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2009 NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL NOTES

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Game #4
Notre Dame (2-1) vs. Purdue (1-2)



DATE

Saturday, September 26, 2009

TIME

8:06 p.m. ET

SITE (CAPACITY)

Ross Ade Stadium (80,795); West Lafayette, Ind.

TELEVISION

ESPN national telecast with Brad Nessler (play-by-play), Todd Blackledge (analysis), Erin Andrews (sideline), Mark Loomis (producer) and Ken Dennis (director).

RADIO

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TICKETS

Saturday's game is not officially sold out. Notre Dame has played in front of sellout crowds in 72 of its last 81 road games. In fact, the Irish have played in front of sellout crowds in 216 of their previous 248 games, including 91 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 game at Washington, the 2007 game at UCLA and the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl were not sellouts).

WEB SITES

Notre Dame (und.com), Purdue (purduesports.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 unranked, but receiving votes in both the AP and coaches polls. Purdue is not receiving votes in either poll.

SERIES INFO

This meeting will be the 81st all-time between the rivals. It is Notre Dame's second-most played series (trailing only Navy). The Irish hold a 52-26-2 lead in the series and captured last year's meeting, 38-21, in Notre Dame Stadium, but dropped their last meeting in Ross Ade Stadium, 33-19, in 2007. Notre Dame has won six of the last nine and 18 of the past 23 in the series. The Irish have dropped four of their last six meetings in West Lafayette (more on the series history on pages 18-23).

WHAT TO WATCH FOR

Senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** is the first Notre Dame player to register an interception in each of the first three games to open a season since Tom Schoen in the 1966 season. McCarthy could become the first Irish player since 1950 to open a season with an interception in four straight games.



Extended individual notes are available in the updated player bios that span pages 24-43.

Countdown To Kickoff

- 11** The Irish have gotten out of the gates quickly in 2009, scoring 11 times (eight touchdowns, three field goals) on 16 first-half possessions through three games.
- 10** Notre Dame's defense has started strong in recent contests, allowing three points or fewer in the first quarter in 10 of the last 12 games.
- 9** The Irish have scored on nine of 10 trips to the red zone in 2009. Notre Dame has tallied seven touchdowns and two field goals while the Irish defense has allowed only six scores in 11 trips to the red zone.
- 8** Junior WR **Golden Tate** recorded his eighth career game of at least 100 receiving yards after he paced the Irish with 127 yards against Michigan State. Tate ranks fourth all-time at Notre Dame for most games with at least 100 receiving yards.
- 7** Notre Dame's offense has had great success moving the football in its first three games, registering seven touchdown drives of at least 75 yards. By comparison, the Irish tallied 15 such touchdown drives in all of 2008.
- 6** Junior RB **Armando Allen** is a perfect six-for-six on third down and short (two yards or less) this year, converting all six attempts into first downs.
- 5** Notre Dame has turned the ball over twice through three games this year. Only five schools have committed fewer turnovers this season than the Irish: Arizona State, California, Oregon State, Texas A&M and UTEP.
- 4** Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** has passed for at least 300 yards in four straight games and is the only Irish quarterback to ever accomplish that feat.
- 3** Senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** has recorded an interception in each of Notre Dame's three games this year and is the first Irish player to register an interception in each of the three games to open a season since Tom Schoen in 1966. Nationally, McCarthy is one of five players to record an interception in each of the first three games this year.
- 2** The Irish are one of two teams (Hawaii being the other) to have two players averaging at least 100 receiving yards per game.
- 1** Notre Dame is currently the only FBS-school that has players rank among the top 20 in rushing yards per game, receiving yards per game and passing yards per game.
- 0** The Irish have never lost under head coach Charlie Weis when outrushing its opponent. Notre Dame outgained Michigan State, 133-105, on the ground to improve to 17-0 since 2005.

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 8:00 p.m.
October 3 October 17	WASHINGTON (NBC) USC (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind. Notre Dame, Ind.	3:30 p.m. 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
Probable Starting Lineup**

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
X	23	Golden Tate – Jr.	Led ND in all-purpose yds (1,754), rec. (58), rec. yds (1,080), rec. TDs (10), total TDs (11) in '08
LT	72	Paul Duncan – Sr.	Missed the entire 2008 season with hip surgery (started all 12 games in 2007)
LG	59	Chris Stewart – Sr.	Made 10 starts at RG in 2008; missed BC, Navy and Syracuse games with a knee injury
OC	55	Eric Olsen – Sr.	Has started 22 straight games (final six of 2007 at RG, 13 in 2008 at LG, three in 2009 at C)
RG	78	Trevor Robinson – So.	Became fifth rookie OL to ever start a game at ND (filled in at RG for injured Chris Stewart)
RT	74	Sam Young – Sr.	Has started all 41 games over the past three seasons (31 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 ND rookie TE receiving records for rec. and rec. yds in '08; Mackey Award Watch List
FB	33	Robert Hughes – Jr.	Moved from HB to replace injured FB James Aldridge; two career 100-yd rushing games
QB	7	Jimmy Clausen – Jr.	First Irish quarterback to ever throw for 300 or more yards in four consecutive games
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.	First career start against MSU on Sept. 19; has a fumble recovery and forced fumble in 2009
DT	9	Ethan Johnson – So.	Made four tackles and one for loss at Michigan; blocked PAT against MSU last weekend
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.	Career-high four tackles, three solo, two for loss and one sack against Michigan
MIKE	49	Toryan Smith – Sr.	Registered five tackles, two for loss and one sack in season opening victory over Nevada
WILL	58	Brian Smith – Jr.	Made three tackles, two for loss and one sack in season opening victory over Nevada
LCB	12	Robert Blanton – So.	Started the final four games of 2008; 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 edged out junior Brandon Walker during fall practice; 2-of-2 on FGs last week
KO	40	Nick Tausch – Fr.	Rookie kicker edged out junior David Ruffer during fall practice
P	43	Eric Maust – Sr.	Earned scholarship in fall practice for the second consecutive season
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. 7.0 yds/return on three 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.	Named <i>Superprep</i> All-American, rating him as 23rd-best running back nationally

KEY PROBABLE NON-STARTERS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
X	11	Shaquille Evans – Fr.	41st-overall player in ESPN150, 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 23 games in his career
TE	83	Mike Ragono – 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.	One of 21 Notre Dame players to make his Irish debut against Nevada
FB	34	James Aldridge – Sr.	Switched from HB; rushed for 962 yards on 249 attempts during his first three seasons
HB	25	Jonas Gray – So.	Powerful, quick running back rushed for 50 yards on nine carries against Nevada
HB	20	Gierre 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 35 career games and logged 305 special-teams appearances
WILL	5	Manti Te'o – Fr.	2008 <i>Sporting News</i> High School Athlete of the Year; 2008 <i>USA TODAY</i> Defensive Player of the Year
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

AN IRISH VICTORY THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 3-1 for the second consecutive year and the fourth time in five years.
- ▶ Give Notre Dame a victory over Purdue for the fourth time in five years.
- ▶ Improve the all-time record for Notre Dame to 17-3 (.850) against Purdue the week after facing Michigan State.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 53-26-2 (.667) in the all-time series with Purdue.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 26-14-2 (.643) in the all-time series with the Boilermakers in West Lafayette.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Notre Dame squad to 11-6 all-time against Purdue and 10-4 against an unranked Boilermaker team.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Notre Dame squad to 5-4 all-time against Purdue in West Lafayette and 4-3 against an unranked Boilermaker team in Ross Ade Stadium.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 220-113-15 (.654) all-time against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 96-72-9 (.568) all-time on the road against the Big Ten Conference.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record to 834-285-42 (.736).
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record on the road to 292-142-22 (.664).
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 32-22 (.593) overall and 9-9 (.500) against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Improve Weis' road record to 12-9 (.571) overall and 4-5 (.444) against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 13-9 (.591) in September games.
- ▶ Improve Weis' record to 7-5 (.583) in night games.

AN IRISH DEFEAT THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 2-2 for the first time since 2000.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame a victory over Purdue for the fourth time in five years.
- ▶ Give Purdue consecutive victories at Ross Ade Stadium over Notre Dame for the first time since 1997, 1999.
- ▶ Drop the all-time record for Notre Dame to 16-4 (.800) against Purdue the week after facing Michigan State.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 52-27-2 (.654) in the all-time series with Purdue.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 25-15-2 (.619) in the all-time series with the Boilermakers in West Lafayette.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Notre Dame squad to 10-7 (.588) all-time against Purdue and 9-5 (.643) against an unranked Boilermaker team.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Notre Dame squad to 4-5 (.444) all-time against Purdue in West Lafayette and 3-4 (.429) against an unranked Boilermaker team in Ross Ade Stadium.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 219-114-15 (.651) all-time against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 95-73-9 (.562) all-time on the road against the Big Ten Conference.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record to 833-286-42 (.736).
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record on the road to 291-143-22 (.662).
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 31-23 (.574) overall and 8-10 (.444) against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Drop Weis' road record to 11-10 (.524) overall and 3-6 (.333) against the Big Ten.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 12-10 (.545) in September games.
- ▶ Drop Weis' record to 6-6 (.500) in night games.

**Notre Dame
Team Notes**

ON THIS DATE

Notre Dame has played 10 previous games in its history on Sept. 26. The Irish are 8-1-1 all-time on this date. The Irish were ranked inside the top 25 on six occasions and five games came against this weekend's opponent Purdue.

1998	W	(t23) Purdue (0:57)	31-30	H
1992	W	(6) Purdue (R)	48-0	H
1987	W	(8) Purdue	44-20	A
1981	L	(13) Purdue (0:19)	14-15	A
1970	W	(6) Purdue	48-0	H
1964	W	Wisconsin (R)	31-7	A
1959	W	North Carolina (R)	28-8	H
1953	W	(1) Oklahoma (6)	28-21	A
1942	T	Wisconsin	7-7	A
1925	W	Baylor (R)	41-0	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; R - indicates game played in rain; 0:00 - indicates time remaining in games decided in the final minutes, in case of ties, time followed by team scoring last.

Sept. 26, 1998: Notre Dame's Jim Sanson kicked a 17-yard field goal with 57 seconds left to give the No. 23 Fighting Irish a 31-30 victory. Tony Driver made two key interceptions in the closing minutes. He returned his first interception off Mike Brees to the Purdue 5-yard line with 1:39 left to set up Sanson's field goal. His second interception with 37 seconds left ended Purdue's hopes for a comeback after the Boilermakers had reached the Notre Dame 44-yard line.

Sept. 26, 1981: Purdue's Scott Campbell and Steve Bryant combined on a TD pass into the corner of the end zone with 0:19 left to play before running the same play to the other corner for the winning two-point conversion. Notre Dame's Phil Carter had scored on a 30-yard run with 2:57 remaining to give the Irish a 14-7 lead.

Sept. 26, 1964: The Era of Ara begins with a 31-7 victory at Wisconsin. Coach Parseghian took the quiet John Huarte and molded him into a great leader and quarterback who would go from seldom used back up to Heisman Trophy winner. In his first game against the Badgers, Huarte completed 15-of-26 passes for 270 yards, then an Irish record. One pass play was a 42-yard TD pass to his favorite target, Jack Snow.

HOW DO THEY STACK UP?

Average weight of the offensive and defensive lines:

Notre Dame OL 315.0 lbs. vs. Purdue DL 277.5 lbs.
Notre Dame DL 275.0 lbs. vs. Purdue OL 303 lbs.

Average height of the receivers and the secondaries:

Notre Dame WR/TE 6' 3 1/3" vs. Purdue DB 6' 0 3/4"
Notre Dame DB 6' 1" vs. Purdue WR/TE 6' 2"

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.

**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 nine 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	2	3	63
2. Texas	6	6	7	9	2	7	8	5	5	2	3	60
3. Miami, Fla.	13	11	5	9	8	3	1	1	3	0	3	57
4. Kansas State	5	2	12	6	4	5	8	7	6	0	1	56
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	0	1	43
8. Notre Dame	6	4	9	3	3	5	4	3	3	0	1	41
9. Ohio State	7	3	3	4	6	6	3	3	2	0	2	39
Colorado	4	7	7	1	6	3	1	3	3	0	4	39

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

	2009	Weis Era
At Home	2-0	17-11
On The Road	0-1	11-9
Neutral Site Games	0-0	3-2
In Overtime	0-0	0-3
Coming off a loss	1-0	10-11
Coming off a win	0-1	17-7
Coming of an open date	0-0	2-2
Both teams are AP-ranked	0-0	3-5
Neither team is ranked	1-0	10-9
ND is ranked higher	1-1	18-3
Opponent is ranked higher	0-0	3-10
Vs. In-state Opponents	0-0	3-1
In September	2-1	12-9
In October	0-0	9-5
In November	0-0	11-7
In December	0-0	1-0
In January	0-0	0-2
On Television	2-1	31-22
On NBC	2-0	17-11
On ABC	0-1	7-6
On ESPN	0-0	3-4
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	2-1	25-17
Night Games	0-0	6-5
Decided By 7 or Less	1-1	9-7
Scoring First	2-0	22-7
Opponent Scores First	0-1	9-15
Leading At Halftime	1-1	22-6
Tied At Halftime	0-0	4-0
Trailing At Halftime	1-0	5-16
Leading After 3 Qtrs.	2-0	25-4
Tied After 3 Qtrs.	0-0	1-1
Trailing After 3 Qtrs.	0-1	5-17
Scoring 40+ Points	0-0	10-2
Scoring 30+ Points	2-1	21-5
Scoring 20-29 Points	0-0	16-8
Scoring 0-19 Points	0-0	2-12
Allowing 40+ Points	0-0	0-6
Allowing 30+ Points	1-1	3-16
Allowing 20-29 Points	0-0	12-7
Allowing 0-19 Points	1-0	17-1
Outrushing Opponent	2-0	17-0
Getting Outrushed	0-1	14-22
Passing For More Yds	1-1	23-13
Passing For Fewer Yds	1-0	8-9
Outgaining Opponent	1-1	21-8
Getting Outgained	1-0	10-13
Winning Time of Poss.	2-1	24-7
Losing Time of Poss.	0-0	7-15
Scoring a Def./ST TD	0-0	12-3
Allowing a Def./ST TD	0-1	2-9
Fewer Penalty Yards	1-0	14-13
More Penalty Yards	1-1	17-8
Winning Turnover Battle	2-0	22-8
Losing Turnover Battle	0-0	6-10
Individual 100-yard rusher	1-1	15-5
Individual 100-yard receiver	2-1	19-8
Individual 200-yard passer	2-1	26-11
Opponent 100-yard rusher	1-1	6-16
Opponent 100-yard receiver	1-0	13-7
Opponent 200-yard passer	1-1	14-12

National
Rankings

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Sept. 20)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Florida (55)	3-0	1488
2.	Texas (2)	3-0	1428
3.	Alabama (3)	3-0	1390
4.	Mississippi	2-0	1213
5.	Penn State	3-0	1212
6.	California	3-0	1169
7.	LSU	3-0	1120
8.	Boise State	3-0	1038
9.	Miami (FL)	2-0	920
10.	Oklahoma	2-1	862
11.	Virginia Tech	2-1	852
12.	USC	2-1	825
13.	Ohio State	2-1	810
14.	Cincinnati	3-0	739
15.	TCU	2-0	674
16.	Oklahoma State	2-1	478
17.	Houston	2-0	455
18.	Florida State	2-1	363
19.	Brigham Young	2-1	349
20.	Kansas	3-0	347
21.	Georgia	2-1	318
22.	North Carolina	3-0	271
23.	Michigan	3-0	247
24.	Washington	2-1	194
25.	Nebraska	2-1	132

Others Receiving Votes

Missouri 115, Georgia Tech 102, Auburn 100, **Pittsburgh 91**, UCLA 62, Iowa 39, Oregon 30, Texas Tech 19, **NOTRE DAME 16**, Utah 12, Clemson 11, Colorado State 4, Oregon State 4, South Florida 1.

USA TODAY/COACHES (Sept. 20)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Florida (59)	3-0	1475
2.	Texas	3-0	1412
3.	Alabama	3-0	1355
4.	Penn State	3-0	1274
5.	Mississippi	2-0	1182
6.	California	3-0	1149
7.	LSU	3-0	1122
8.	Boise State	3-0	976
9.	Oklahoma	2-1	917
10.	USC	2-1	905
11.	Ohio State	2-1	900
12.	Virginia Tech	2-1	853
13.	Miami (FL)	2-0	724
14.	TCU	2-0	701
15.	Cincinnati	3-0	580
16.	Oklahoma State	2-1	576
17.	Georgia	2-1	457
18.	North Carolina	3-0	445
19.	Kansas	3-0	381
20.	Brigham Young	2-1	279
21.	Missouri	3-0	214
22.	Michigan	3-0	205
23.	Houston	2-0	160
24.	Nebraska	2-1	158
25.	Florida State	2-1	154

Others Receiving Votes

Georgia Tech 148, **Pittsburgh 68**, Utah 63, Auburn 62, Iowa 58, **Washington 42**, **NOTRE DAME 38**, UCLA 38, Oregon 34, Texas Tech 22, Kentucky 16, South Florida 12, South Carolina 7, Oregon State 6, Colorado State 4, Wisconsin 2, Minnesota 1.2009 opponents in **bold**

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	Sept. 26
Nevada	0-2	Missouri
Michigan	3-0	Indiana
Michigan State	1-2	at Wisconsin
Purdue	1-2	Notre Dame
Washington	2-1	at Stanford
USC	2-1	at Washington State
Boston College	2-1	Wake Forest
Washington State	1-2	at USC
Navy	1-2	Western Kentucky
Pittsburgh	3-0	at North Carolina State
UConn	2-1	Rhode Island
Stanford	2-1	Washington

Opponents' combined 2009 record: 20-15 (.571)

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.

NOTRE DAME IN SEPTEMBER

- ▶ Notre Dame is 125-49-4 (.713) all-time during the month of September.
- ▶ The Irish are 80-18-2 (.810) in September home games.
- ▶ Notre Dame has an all-time mark of 40-29-2 (.577) in road games during September.
- ▶ The Irish went 3-1 in September last season (San Diego State, W, 21-13; Michigan, W, 35-17; at Michigan State, L, 7-23; Purdue, W, 38-21). Notre Dame was 0-5 in the first month of the season in 2007.

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 Gurrries**, sophomore OC **Mike Golic, Jr.** and sophomore DT **Sean Cwynar**.

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

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.

Alabama	12
Boston College	10
Virginia Tech	10
Notre Dame	8
Miami, Fla.	8
Auburn	8
East Carolina	8
Penn State	8
Texas Tech	8
UNLV	8
UCF	7
Texas A&M	7

PLAYING STREAKS

▶ The following players extended active starting streaks last week against Michigan: senior OT **Sam Young** 41, senior OC **Eric Olsen** 22, junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** 19, sophomore TE **Kyle Rudolph** 16 and senior SS **Kyle McCarthy** 16.

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 over their first three games. 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 115 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.

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.

OPENERS AN INDICATOR?

Notre Dame is 101-15-5 in season openers, but have they been foretelling of the season ahead? Take a look:

- ▶ The 100 previous seasons Notre Dame has won its opener, the Irish went on to post winning records 92 times (92.0%), with four losing seasons and four .500 records.
- ▶ The 15 seasons Notre Dame has lost its opener, the Irish posted winning records six times and a losing mark eight times (with one .500 season).
- ▶ The five seasons Notre Dame registered a tie in its opener, the Irish had four winning records and one losing record.

THREE NEW COACHES ADD TO EXPERIENCED STAFF

- ▶ Head coach Charlie Weis added three experienced assistant coaches to the Irish coaching staff this offseason giving Notre Dame a coaching staff with 189 years of coaching experience.
- ▶ Running backs coach Tony Alford (14 years), defensive line coach Randy Hart (39 years) and offensive line/running game coordinator Frank Verducci (27 years) combined to add 80 years of coaching experience to Notre Dame's coaching roster.
- ▶ Head coach Charlie Weis adds the second-most years coaching to the staff (30 years), followed by Jon Tenuta (28 years), Rob Ianello (22 years), Brian Polian (12 years), Corwin Brown (eight years), Bernie Parmalee (seven years) and Ron Powlus (two years).

Starter Sheet

Offense	2009	Streak	Career
Young (RT)	3	41	41
Clausen (QB)	3	19	25
Olsen (C)	3	22	22
Wenger (C)	-	-	18
Kamara (WR)	2	2	17
Rudolph (TE)	3	16	16
Duncan (LT)	3	3	15
Allen (HB)	2	-	14
Floyd (WR)	3	4	13
Stewart (LG)	3	5	13
Tate (WR)	3	5	13
West (WR)	-	-	7
Aldridge (FB)	-	-	6
Robinson (RG)	3	3	6
Parris (WR)	1	1	5
Hughes (HB)	-	-	4
Sharpley (QB)	-	-	2
Ragone (TE)	1	1	1

Defense	2009	Streak	Career
Neal (DE)	2	-	18
McCarthy (SS)	3	16	17
Ryan (DE)	1	1	16
McNeil (CB)	1	-	15
Smith, B. (LB)	3	3	15
Walls (DB)	2	2	15
Williams (NT)	3	6	12
Smith, H. (FS)	3	3	12
Brown (SS)	2	-	8
Johnson (DT)	3	4	7
Blanton (CB)	3	7	7
Smith, T. (LB)	2	1	6
Fleming (LB)	3	4	6
Herring (FS)	-	-	1
Lewis-Moore (DE)	1	1	1
Te'o (LB)	1	-	1

Longest Active Streaks

Young (RT)	41
Olsen (C)	22
Clausen (QB)	19
Rudolph (TE)	16
McCarthy (SS)	16

Most Career Starts (Active)

Young (RT)	41
Clausen (QB)	25
Olsen (C)	22
Wenger (C)	18
Neal (DE)	18
McCarthy (SS)	17
Kamara (WR)	17
Ryan (DE)	16
Rudolph (TE)	16
McNeil (CB)	15
Duncan (LT)	15
Smith, B. (LB)	15
Allen (HB)	14
Floyd (WR)	13
Stewart (LG)	13
Tate (WR)	13
Williams (NT)	12
Smith, H. (FS)	12

**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	776 (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 (776/26), 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. Steve Beuerlein	473 (1983-86)
4. Jimmy Clausen	468 (2007-)
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. Brady Quinn	143
Stanford 2005 - Michigan 2006	
3. Jimmy Clausen	132
USC 2008 - Current	
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	18.0 (468/26), 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	60.3 (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)

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	5377 (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)

**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' 53 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 33 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** has 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.

► 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 has 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.

**Irish Among
National Leaders**

Category	Rank	Stat	National Leader	Stat
Rushing Offense	58	155.00	Air Force	344.33
Passing Offense	10	324.00	Texas Tech	444.33
Total Offense	14	479.00	Texas A&M	589.50
Scoring Offense	33	34.00	Houston	50.00
Rushing Defense	74	149.33	Oklahoma	40.67
Pass Efficiency Defense	80	130.03	Arizona St.	64.46
Total Defense	96	398.67	Arizona St.	149.50
Scoring Defense	63	22.67	Oklahoma	4.67
Net Punting	32	38.60	Georgia	47.36
Punt Returns	48	10.00	Louisiana Tech	45.50
Kickoff Returns	18	27.56	Arizona St.	50.75
Turnover Margin	12	1.33	Arizona St.	4.00
Pass Defense	91	249.33	Eastern Mich.	78.00
Passing Efficiency	1	186.14	Notre Dame	186.14
Sacks	76	1.33	TCU	5.50
Tackles For Loss	51	6.00	Oklahoma	11.33
Sacks Allowed	11	.67	La.-Lafayette	.00

Rushing		Passing Efficiency	
Armando Allen	t-15th	108.67	Jimmy Clausen
			2nd
			188.55

Total Offense		Receptions	
Jimmy Clausen	10th	317.00	Golden Tate
			t-25th
			6.33
			Michael Floyd
			t-95th
			4.33
			Kyle Rudolph
			t-95th
			4.33

Receiving Yards		Interceptions	
Michael Floyd	7th	119.33	Kyle McCarthy
			t-5th
			1.00
Golden Tate	t-20th	100.33	Robert Blanton
			t-70th
			0.33

Kickoff Returns		Field Goals	
Theo Riddick	40th	25.50	Nick Tausch
			t-38th
			1.33

Scoring		All-Purpose Runners	
Michael Floyd	t-19th	10.00	Armando Allen
			t-51st
			127.00
Nick Tausch	t-94th	7.33	Michael Floyd
			68th
			119.33
			Golden Tate
			92nd
			109.67

Tackles		Tackles For Loss	
Kyle McCarthy	t-48th	9.00	Darius Fleming
			t-56th
			1.33
Harrison Smith	t-90th	8.00	Toryan Smith
			t-90th
			1.17

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. Over its first three games of 2009, Notre Dame has averaged 324.0 yards per game passing.
- ▶ The Irish have eclipsed 475 or more total yards in 11 games under Weis, including three of Notre Dame's last four games (the only game in which the Irish failed to eclipse 475 yards came against Michigan State and Notre Dame still managed 437 yards). 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 52 first downs over their last two games (Michigan, Michigan State). Notre Dame has not produced more first downs in consecutive weeks since Sept. 30 and Oct. 7 of 2006 against Purdue and Stanford.

POINTS A PLENTY

- Notre Dame has scored 33 or more points in four consecutive games and each of its three games in 2008. 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.
- ▶ 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.

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 11 of 16 first half possessions (eight touchdowns, three field goals) over the Nevada, Michigan and Michigan State games.
- ▶ 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 six drives to open each half. In fact, Notre Dame has averaged 6.5 plays and more impressively 65.8 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 77.8 yards per drive.
- ▶ Notre Dame leads the nation in passing efficiency. The Irish have a 186.14 rating over their first three games. The Irish also rank ninth in total first downs (72), 10th in time of possession (33:12), 10th in passing offense (324.0) and 14th in total offense (479.0).
- ▶ Notre Dame is the only offense among all 120 FBS schools that has 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. Sophomore WR **Michael Floyd** ranks seventh (119.33 ypg), junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** ranks eighth (317.0 ypg), junior RB **Armando Allen** ranks tied for 15th (108.67 ypg) and junior WR **Golden Tate** ranks 20th (100.33 ypg).
- ▶ The quintet has also made its fair share of big plays already in 2009. Clausen has 14 completions over 20 yards, Floyd has collected six passes over 20 yards, Tate has five 20+ yard receptions and Allen has ripped off 10 runs of at least 10 yards. Sophomore **Kyle Rudolph** has even added two 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 have 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 after senior SS Kyle McCarthy's interception in Michigan's territory and Notre Dame has traversed an average of 75.8 yards on its 12 conventional touchdown drives through the first three games. Those drives have averaged 7.2 plays and include four drives of 80 or more yards and five more of longer than 70 yards. 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.

IRISH OFFENSE QUICK OUT OF THE BLOCKS

Notre Dame has averaged 273.3 net offensive yards in the first half (820 total) of its first three games, compared to 205.7 in the second half (617 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
Total	820	617	1,437	-203

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Passing Yards per Game

1. Brady Quinn	240.0 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	206.8 (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	41 (2007-)
Rick Mirer	41 (1989-92)
5. Jarius 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. Jimmy Clausen	2.96 (23 of 776), 2007-
4. Carlyle Holiday	2.99 (12 of 401), 2001-04
5. Rick Mirer	3.29 (23 of 698), 1989-92
6. Kevin McDougal	3.33 (6 of 180), 1990-93
7. Jarius Jackson	3.91 (21 of 536), 1996-99

Receptions (Running Back)

1. Darius Walker	109 (2004-06)
2. Armando Allen	81 (2007-)
3. Allen Pinkett	73 (1982-85)
4. Bob Gladioux	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. Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
4. Golden Tate	8 (2007-)
5. 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)

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. Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
8. Golden Tate	14 (2007-)
9. Michael Floyd	12 (2008-)
Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

**Eye On Notre Dame
Career Records**

Total Plays

1. Brady Quinn	1856 (2003-06)
2. Ron Powlus	1201 (1994-97)
3. Steve Beuerlein	1027 (1983-86)
4. Rick Mirer	951 (1989-92)
5. Jimmy Clausen	903 (2007-)
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 Offense Yards per Game

1. Brady Quinn	243.8 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	192.7 (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)

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)
6. 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

1. Julius Jones	72-1678 (1999-2001, '03)
2. Tim Brown	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Raghil Ismail	46-1271 (1988-90)
4. Armando Allen	54-1247 (2007-)
5. Vontez Duff	47-1230 (2000-03)
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	984 (847, 137); 2007-

► The Irish have been even more impressive in the opening 15 minutes of their first three games. Notre Dame has 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 WINNING TIME-OF-POSSESSION BATTLE

While Notre Dame's offense has been piling up the yardage this season (averaging 479.0 yards per game), it also has won the time of possession battle in all three games this season. Overall, Notre Dame averages 33:12 minutes per game with the ball, compared to 26:48 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
Total	99:35	80:25	19:10

► Notre Dame is 2-1 this season and 24-7 under Weis when the Irish win the time of possession battle.

IRISH EFFICIENT ON FIRST & SECOND DOWN

► Notre Dame has a 71.7% completion percentage (33-for-46) on first down. Junior QB **Jimmy Clausen** is 31-for-43 (72.1%) for 13 first downs and two touchdowns on first down. The Irish (22-for-30) and Clausen (21-for-29) are even better on second down.

► Junior RB **Armando Allen** is averaging 5.5 yards per carry over Notre Dame's first three games, including 5.1 yards per carry on first down. He is also gaining 7.0 yards per rush on second down. The Irish, which average 4.5 yards per carry as a team, are ripping off 6.2 yards per rush on second down.

► Allen has also proven he is able to advance the chains on third down. He is averaging 4.0 yards per carry for eight first downs on third down. He is a perfect 6-for-6 on third down and short (two yards or less) on the season. In fact, Allen is averaging 5.2 yards per carry on third and short. As a team, Notre Dame has converted seven of its 10 third down and short rushing plays.

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** 41 starts. **Eric Olsen** (22 starts), **Dan Wenger** (18 starts), **Paul Duncan** (15 starts), **Chris Stewart** (13 starts) and **Trevor Robinson** (six starts) help bring the Irish total to 115 combined career starts. Notre Dame's total of 100, entering this season, was the second most in the past decade at Notre Dame.

Starts (No. of Players with Starting Experience) Year

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

List above was calculated entering the 2009 season.

**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

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 155.0 yards per game on the ground over its first three games of the season. Here is an interesting comparison of the 2009 rushing attack to last season's effort after three games (excluding QBs):

2009	Category	2008
461	Rushing Yards	278
4.9	Average Per Rush	3.5
14	Rushes for 10+ yards	6
3	Rushing Touchdowns	2
14	Rushes for No Gain or Minus Yardage	21

► Notre Dame's wideouts 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 has outrushed both Nevada and Michigan State this season and not coincidentally, the Irish are 2-0 in those contests. In fact, since Weis arrived in South Bend, Notre Dame is 17-0 when outrushing its opponent.

RED-ZONE REPORT

► Notre Dame and its '09 opponents could not have less similar red-zone success, with the Irish totaling 56 red-zone points (converting 9-of-10 chances) while the first three opponents have combined for a lower red-zone point total (41) and conversion rate (6-of-11). The Notre Dame defense has allowed six red zone touchdowns (in 11 opponent chances) while the Irish offense has cashed in seven touchdowns after crossing the opponent's 20-yard line (in 10 chances).

► The only drive in which Notre Dame failed to produced points when entering the red zone came against Michigan. The Irish took the opening kick and marched 69 yards, but missed a 28-yard field goal. 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.

► 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 have each scored three touchdowns on four red zone attempts the last two weeks.

► 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
10	Red-Zone Chances	11
4	Passing TDs	3
3	Rushing TDs	3
7	Total TDs	6
.700 (7/10)	TD Pct.	.545 (6/11)
2	FGs Made	0
1/0	FGs Missed/Blocked	2/0
1/1/1	Downs/Interceptions/Fumbles	0/0/0
56	Total Points (TD-6, FG-3)	41
.900 (9/10)	Scoring Pct.	.545 (6/11)

TURNING OVER A NEW LEAF

The Irish are tied for 12th in the nation with a +1.33 turnover ratio. Just five FBS squads have fewer turnovers than Notre Dame's two: Arizona State, UTEP, Texas A&M, California and Oregon State.

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.

**Milestone Games
In 2009**

100-Yards Rushing

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

100-Yards Receiving

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

300-Yards Passing

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

200-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. 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 Big Ten, of which Michigan 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	.653
Pac-10	.648
SEC	.618

**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 LeVoiir#	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 DE Renaldo Wynn

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

- ▶ 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 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 22-8.
- ▶ 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
16	Notre Dame
16	Memphis
16	Buffalo

- ▶ 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.

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 eight 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
Floyd (13)	Young (10) Duncan (5)	Olsen (13) Stewart (3)	Wenger (15) Olsen (3)	Stewart (10) Olsen (6) Robinson (6) Wenger (3)	Young (31) Duncan (10)	Rudolph (16) Ragone (1)	Kamara (17) Tate (13) West (7) Parris (5)	Clausen (25) Sharpley (2)		Allen (14) Aldridge (6) Hughes (4)

—DEFENSE—

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

**Notre Dame
Defensive Notes**

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.

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 of last week's victory, but Notre Dame stepped up and limited MSU 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.

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 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.

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 last 10 games.
- ▶ The Irish allowed just three points in the first quarter in last week's victory over Michigan State. Notre Dame has allowed three points or less in the opening quarter in 10 of its last 12 games.

**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)

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 Performer of the Week (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 Performer 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)

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

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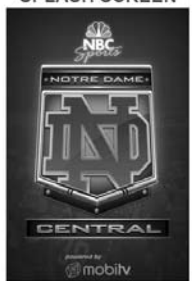
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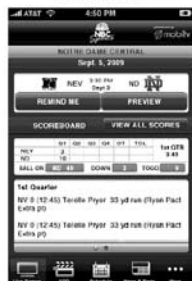
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COUNTDOWN



PREVIEW



POSTGAME



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
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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
Sky Angel IPTV-National	

Inside Notre Dame Football Replay Affiliates

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Chicago LP	W54BK TV 54
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18
Chicago LP	W24AW TV 24
Chicago (IL/IN/IA/WI)	Comcast SportsNet Chicago
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
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Notre Dame Miscellaneous Team Notes

BOBBY BURGER, ERIC MAUST AWARDED FOOTBALL SCHOLARSHIPS

Notre Dame tight end Bobby Burger and punter Eric Maust were awarded scholarships for the 2009-10 school year, head coach Charlie Weis announced Monday.

Maust filled in at punter during the 2007 season and averaged a team-high 42.1 yards on 21 punts, landing nine inside the 20 with only one touchback. He took over as the Irish full-time punter in 2008. Maust appeared in all 13 games and booted the ball 54 times for 2,218 yards (41.1 avg.). He also dropped 16 balls inside the 20-yard line. He boomed eight punts over 50 yards and only allowed four balls to result in touchbacks. Maust is also one of the top pitchers for Notre Dame's baseball team and recorded a 6-3 record this past spring. He is enrolled in the Mendoza College of Business, majoring in finance.

Burger, who sat out last fall after transferring from Dayton, joined the Irish as a walk-on prior to the start of the 2008 season. After red-shirting the 2006 season at Dayton, Burger earned a letter by playing in all 12 of the Flyers' games in 2007 as a defensive end. He registered 22 tackles, a team-high eight sacks and 11 tackles for loss. In 2006, he was named Dayton's scout team defensive player of the year. With the Irish, Burger is listed third on the depth chart at tight end. He is majoring in economics and is set to graduate in December 2010. Burger's father, Bob Burger, was on the 1977 national championship team at Notre Dame and played offensive guard for the Irish from 1978-80.

NOTRE DAME-ARMY RIVALRY RENEWS IN 2010 AT YANKEE STADIUM

Notre Dame and Army - two staples of the national sports scene when they met 21 times between 1925 and 1946 at the original Yankee Stadium - will renew that historic collegiate rivalry for the 50th time on Nov. 20, 2010, when the Fighting Irish and Cadets meet in the first football game to be played at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx, N.Y.

The game will be the second of a series of "off-site" home football games for Notre Dame in which the Irish are taking games that could be played at Notre Dame Stadium and moving them to venues around the country. The first of those will take place Oct. 31, 2009, when Notre Dame and Washington State meet at the Alamodome in San Antonio, Texas. Notre Dame and Arizona State are slated to meet in 2013 at the Dallas Cowboys' new stadium in Arlington, Texas.

NBC Sports is expected to televise the Notre Dame-Army game on a national basis in prime time.

"Any student of Notre Dame football history knows the meaning of the Notre Dame-Army rivalry and, in particular, the history of that rivalry at Yankee Stadium," said Notre Dame athletics director Jack Swarbrick.

"It's fitting that a Notre Dame-Army game will be the first football event in this fabulous facility - and it's also fitting that the 50th meeting in this great rivalry will take place in a venue with such great tradition for both programs."

"As a longtime Yankee fan, I'm thrilled to have the opportunity for Notre Dame to be a part of this event. I think this will be the kind of game that our players will remember long after it's over," said Notre Dame football coach Charlie Weis.

"We are very excited about the prospect of airing the 50th all-time game of one of the great rivalries in college football history," NBC Sports president Ken Schanzer said. "The fact that next year's game will be played in one of the greatest venues only adds to what should be an unforgettable evening."

Notre Dame expects to make tickets available to its contributing alumni and fans through its alumni lottery as it does with all other football games. Army will receive an allotment of tickets as the visiting team. Approximately 47,000 seats are expected to be available for football at Yankee Stadium.

While Notre Dame and Army have met on 49 previous occasions, the heyday of the rivalry came in the mid-1940s. Over four straight seasons from 1943 through 1946, both Notre Dame and Army came into their Yankee Stadium matchup ranked fifth or higher in that week's Associated Press poll. The Irish came into the '43 game ranked number one, then Army brought the top ranking into the contest in '44, '45 and '46. Top-ranked Notre Dame defeated #3 Army 26-0 in '43. Top-rated Army vanquished #5 Notre Dame 59-0 in '44 and #2 Notre Dame 48-0 in '45. Then, in '46, came the famous 0-0 tie between #1 Army and #2 Notre Dame - made legendary by John Lujack's well-chronicled saving tackle of Cadet star running back Doc Blanchard late in the game.

In the 1940s alone, Notre Dame claimed consensus national titles in '43, '46, '47 and '49 - while Army won national titles in '44 and '45. In that same decade of the '40s, Notre Dame produced three Heisman Trophy winners in Angelo Bertelli ('43), Lujack ('47) and Leon Hart ('49), while Army produced two in Blanchard ('45) and Glenn Davis ('46). The Notre Dame-Army matchups at New York's Yankee Stadium had much to do with creating the term "subway alumni" for Notre Dame alumni and fans that utilized that mode of transportation to attend the games.

Notre Dame leads the all-time series with Army 37-8-4 - including a 14-5-3 record at the original Yankee Stadium. Previous Yankee Stadium games between the Irish and Cadets came in 1925-29, 1931-46, and 1969 (the 100th anniversary of college football). The teams first met in a historic 35-13 Irish victory in 1913 at West Point. Notre Dame holds an 8-1 edge in meetings at Notre Dame Stadium, the most recent in 2006. The rivalry also has featured one game each at Ebbetts Field in Brooklyn (1923), the Polo Grounds (a 13-7 Irish victory in '24 at which Grantland Rice coined the Four Horsemen nickname), Soldier Field in Chicago ('30), in Philadelphia ('57), Shea Stadium in New York ('65) -- and three at Giants Stadium in the New Jersey Meadowlands ('77, '83 and '95).

Notre Dame also played at the original Yankee Stadium in 1949 against North Carolina (a 42-6 Irish victory) and in 1963 versus Syracuse (a 14-7 Orange win). Those contests, combined with the matchups against Army, give the Irish an overall 15-6-3 mark in previous Yankee Stadium games.

Other New York-area Notre Dame football appearances came at the Polo Grounds in 1921 (versus Rutgers) -- and at Giants Stadium in 1980, '82, '84, '90, '92 and 2004 (all against Navy), in '89 against Virginia and in 2002 against Maryland (both in the Kickoff Classic). The Irish also played at Rutgers in 2000.

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 throughout the grounds. 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.

Notre Dame Football By The Numbers

.736 - 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).

201 - Consecutive games streak televised nationally or regionally.

181 - Selections on All-America first teams.

207 - Consecutive sellouts at Notre Dame Stadium (including last Saturday's game against Michigan State).

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

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

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 (not including Clausen, Olsen), Offensive Coaches; **Wednesday** (7:00 p.m.): Available by request-Defensive players (not including Kyle McCarthy, Scott Smith), 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

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.
	or 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	33	Robert Hughes	5-11	234	Jr.
	86	Bobby Burger	6-3	248	Sr.
HB	5	ARMANDO ALLEN	5-10	200	Jr.
	25	Jonas Gray	5-10	220	So.

Notre Dame Special Teams

PK	40	Nick Tausch	6-0	190	Fr.
	14	BRANDON WALKER	6-3	213	Jr.
P	43	ERIC MAUST	6-2	190	Sr.
	35	Ben Turk	5-11	193	Fr.
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	49	Toryan Smith	6-1	244	Sr.
	(58)	BRIAN SMITH	6-3	240	Jr.)
	54	Anthony McDonald	6-2	230	So.
WILL	58	BRIAN SMITH	6-3	240	Jr.
	5	Manti Te'o	6-2	244	Fr.
	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.
	or 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

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	LB	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.	Brownsville, IN/Brownsville
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

**Notre Dame vs. Purdue
Series History**

Notre Dame leads 52-25-2

In Notre Dame: Notre Dame leads 27-11-0

In West Lafayette: Notre Dame leads 25-14-2

Neutral: Purdue leads 1-0

Longest Notre Dame Win Streak: 11 (1986-96)

Longest Purdue Win Streak: Three (1958-60)

Largest Victory: 48, twice (48-0), 1970, 1992 both in South Bend

Largest Defeat: 36 (0-36), 1904 in West Lafayette

Site	Year	Rank	W/L	ND	MSU	Site	Year	Rank	W/L	ND	MSU
*	1896		L	22	28		1969	9-16	L	14	28
	1899		T	10	10	*	1970	6-	W	48	0
*	1901		W	12	6		1971	2-	W	8	7
	1902		T	6	6	*	1972	10-	W	35	14
	1904		L	0	36		1973	7-	W	20	7
	1905		L	0	32	*	1974	2-	L	20	31
	1906		W	2	0		1975	9-	W	17	0
	1907		W	17	0	*	1976		W	23	0
	1918		W	26	6		1977	11-	W	31	24
	1919		W	33	13	*	1978		W	10	6
*	1920		W	28	0		1979	5-17	L	22	28
	1921		W	33	0	*	1980	11-9	W	31	10
	1922		W	20	0		1981	13-	L	14	15
*	1923		W	34	7	*	1982	10-	W	28	14
*	1933		L	0	19		1983	5-	W	52	6
*	1934		W	18	7	HD	1984	8-	L	21	23
*	1939		W	3	0		1985		L	17	35
*	1946	3-	W	49	6	*	1986		W	41	9
	1947	1-	W	22	7		1987	8-	W	44	20
*	1948		W	28	27	*	1988	8-	W	52	7
	1949	2-	W	35	12		1989	1-	W	40	7
*	1950	1-	L	14	28	*	1990	1-	W	37	11
*	1951	15-	W	30	9		1991	8-	W	45	20
	1952	-9	W	26	14	*	1992	6-	W	48	0
	1953	1-	W	37	7		1993	4-	W	17	0
*	1954	1-19	L	14	27	*	1994	8-	W	39	21
	1955	11-	W	22	7		1995	25-	W	35	28
*	1956	18-	L	14	28	*	1996	9-	W	35	0
	1957		W	12	0		1997	12-	L	17	28
*	1958	11-15	L	22	29	*	1998	123-	W	31	30
	1959	8-	L	7	28		1999	16-20	L	23	28
*	1960	12-	L	19	51	*	2000	21-13	W	23	21
	1961		W	22	20		2001		W	24	18
*	1962		L	6	24	*	2002	23-	W	24	17
	1963		L	6	7		2003	-22	L	10	23
*	1964	9-	W	34	15	*	2004	-15	L	16	41
	1965	1-6	L	21	25		2005	13-22	W	49	28
*	1966	6-8	W	26	14	*	2006	12-	W	35	21
	1967	1-10	L	21	28		2007		L	19	33
*	1968	2-1	L	22	37	*	2008		W	38	21

* - Games played in South Bend or Notre Dame Stadium HD - Game played in Hoosier Dome

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

ND	Category	PU	ND	Category	PU
34.0	Points Per Game	36.3	10.0	Punt Return Average	12.7
72	First Downs	63	2-1	Fumbles-Lost	7-4
465	Rushing Yards	632	23-209	Penalties-Yards	11-69
4.3	Average Per Rush	6.0	69.7	Average Per Game	23.0
155.0	Average Per Game	210.7	10-406	Punts-Yards	15-646
3	TDs Rushing	9	40.6	Average Per Punt	43.1
972	Passing Yards	689	38.6	Net punt average	36.1
96-66-1	Att-Comp-Int	62-103-5	33-12	Time of Possession/Game	27:05
10.1	Average Per Pass	6.7	17/37	3rd-Down Conversions	16/42
14.7	Average Per Catch	11.1	3/4	4th-Down Conversions	3/6
324.0	Average Per Game	229.7	4-30	Sacks By-Yards	4-30
10	TDs Passing	5	4-5	Field Goals-Attempts	2-3
1437	Total Offense	1321	9-10	Red-Zone Scores	10-11
7.0	Average Per Play	6.3	7-10	Red-Zone Touchdowns	9-11
479.0	Average Per Game	440.3	10-11	PAT-Attempts	13-14
27.6	Kick Return Average	20.5			

PURDUE HEAD COACH DANNY HOPE

Danny Hope is the epitome of the Boilermaker spirit. He is hardworking, results-oriented, enthusiastic and passionate.

Hope became the 34th head football coach in Purdue University history Jan. 1, 2009. He spent the 2008 season as associate head coach, working with the offensive line and managing recruiting. He was named to the position Jan. 11, 2008, with a succession plan in place for him to become head coach upon the retirement of Joe Tiller at the end of the year. Hope is under contract through the 2013 season.

An assistant under Tiller at Purdue from 1997-2001, Hope returned to the Boilermakers from Eastern Kentucky, where he served as head coach from 2003 to 2007. His five-year record was 35-22 (.614 winning percentage), including 32-8 (.800 winning percentage) in Ohio Valley Conference games.

During the 2007 season, Eastern Kentucky finished 9-3 and won the OVC championship with an 8-0 mark. The Colonels advanced to the NCAA Division I Football Championship Subdivision (formerly I-AA) playoffs and were ranked 13th in the final poll. The nine wins were the most by an Eastern Kentucky team since 1995 and the conference championship was the first since 1997. Hope was named OVC Coach of the Year, FCS Region 3 Coach of the Year and was a finalist for both American Football Coaches Association and Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year honors.

In addition to its conference championship in 2007, Eastern Kentucky finished second in 2003, 2004 and 2005. The Colonels led the OVC in total offense on three occasions and were tops in pass efficiency defense, tackles for loss, sacks and turnover margin a year ago. Eastern Kentucky produced four All-Americans and 24 first team all-conference performers under Hope.

In his previous stint with the Boilermakers, Hope coached the offensive line. Seven of his players went on to the National Football League: Ian Allen, Kelly Butler, Mark Fischer, Brandon Gorin, Matt Light, Gene Mruczkowski and Chukky Okobi. The Boilermakers played in the Alamo Bowl in 1997 and 1998, the 2000 Outback Bowl, 2001 Rose Bowl and 2001 Sun Bowl while averaging nearly eight wins per season.

In 2000, Light became the Boilermakers' first All-America offensive lineman since tackle Karl Singer in 1965 and first All-Big Ten offensive lineman since tackle Steve McKenzie and guard Dale Schwann in 1979.

Upon leaving Purdue, Hope served as assistant head coach at Louisville in 2002.

Hope initially worked with Tiller at Wyoming during the 1996 season. Hope's other experience includes stints as an assistant at Louisville (1987-94) and Oklahoma (1995). Among the players he coached at Louisville was Roman Oben, an offensive tackle with the San Diego Chargers. Hope began his coaching career as an assistant at Manatee High School in Bradenton, Fla., from 1981 to 1984. Manatee won the Florida Class 4A state championship in 1983. Hope was a graduate assistant at Louisville in 1985 and 1986.

Hope started as an offensive guard at Eastern Kentucky from 1977 to 1980 for the legendary Roy Kidd, whom Hope succeeded as head coach. Hope was a member of the 1979 Division I-AA national championship team and captain of the 1980 national runner-up squad. He graduated in 1981 with a B.S. degree in psychology and a minor in health education.

A native of Gainesville, Fla., Hope (born Jan. 7, 1959) attended Miami Killian Senior High School. He and his wife, Sally, have a son, Chaz, a sophomore at Eastern Kentucky.

A QUICK LOOK AT THE BOILERMAKERS LAST WEEK

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) -- Me'co Brown ran for 150 yards, and Northern Illinois beat Purdue 28-21 Saturday for its first victory against a Big Ten school since 1988.

Chad Spann rushed for 80 yards and two touchdowns for the Huskies (2-1).

Northern Illinois entered the game 1-32-1 all time against the Big Ten.

Purdue quarterback Joey Elliott passed for 188 yards and ran for 68 yards and two touchdowns. But the Huskies held Ralph Bolden, the nation's leading rusher after two games, to 64 yards.

Purdue (1-2) looked sluggish one week after taking Oregon to the limit in a 38-36 loss. The Huskies outgained the Boilermakers 454 yards to 335 and kept the ball for 41:40.

Spann's 1-yard touchdown run tied the score in the second quarter, and Brown's 67-yard touchdown run gave the Huskies a 14-7 lead.

Valentin fumbled a punt that NIU recovered at the Purdue 35, but Spann fumbled it right back to Purdue.

Valentin fumbled again on his next return, and NIU recovered at the Purdue 23. The Huskies took advantage this time when Chandler Harnish completed a 10-yard touchdown pass to Reed Cunningham to make it 21-7 at halftime. Northern Illinois outgained Purdue 247 yards to 74 before the break.

Purdue reached the NIU 28-yard line on its second possession of the third quarter, but the Huskies stuffed Elliott on a fourth-and-1 to stop the threat.

NIU came back with a 13-play, 62-yard drive that ended with Spann's 11-yard touchdown run for a 28-7 lead with 2:43 left in the third quarter.

Elliott, not known for his mobility, turned a broken play into a 58-yard touchdown run to cut Northern Illinois' lead to 28-14 heading into the fourth quarter.

Elliott led the Boilermakers on an 11-play, 80-yard drive, then finished it with a 6-yard touchdown run that cut NIU's lead to 28-21 with 5:42 to play.

**2009 PURDUE RESULTS
(1-2 OVERALL, 0-0 BIG TEN)**

Sept. 5	vs. Toledo	W	52-31
Sept. 12	at Oregon	L	36-38
Sept. 19	vs. Northern Illinois	L	21-28
Sept. 26	vs. Notre Dame		8:00 p.m.
*Oct. 3	vs. Northwestern		12:00 p.m.
*Oct. 10	at Minnesota		11:00 a.m. CT
*Oct. 17	vs. Ohio State		TBA
*Oct. 24	vs. Illinois		TBA
*Oct. 31	at Wisconsin		TBA
*Nov. 7	at Michigan		TBA
*Nov. 14	vs. Michigan State		TBA
*Nov. 21	at Indiana		TBA

*Big Ten conference games

Notre Dame vs. Big Ten Schools

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Illinois	11	0	1	.958
Indiana	23	5	1	.810
Iowa	13	8	3	.604
Michigan	15	21	1	.419
Michigan State	45	27	1	.618
Minnesota	4	0	1	.900
Northwestern	37	8	2	.809
Ohio State	2	3	0	.400
Penn State	9	9	1	.500
Purdue	52	26	2	.663
Wisconsin	8	6	2	.563
TOTALS	219	113	15	.653

NOTRE DAME VS. BIG TEN

► Notre Dame has faced no other conference as often as the Big Ten. The Irish have played 347 all-time games against the 11 current members of the league. Notre Dame is 219-113-15 in those meetings. The Irish have played almost three times as many games against the Big Ten as any other conference. The Pac-10 (128) and ACC (108) are the only other conferences against which Notre Dame has played at least 100 games.

► Notre Dame has faced Purdue 80 (52-26-2) times in school history, more all-time meetings than any other Big Ten program. Michigan State is second with 73 all-time meetings.

► Notre Dame will face three members of the Big Ten in 2009 (Michigan, Michigan State and Purdue). The Irish face the Wolverines, Spartans and Boilermakers for the eighth straight season. Notre Dame played four members of the Big Ten in 2006 and 2007. The Irish have played a member of the Big Ten every season since 1915.

► Notre Dame is 113-45-5 (.709) all-time against Big Ten opponents at home and 91-40-3 (.690) inside Notre Dame Stadium.

NOTRE DAME - PURDUE SERIES HISTORY

► The series started in 1896, with Purdue collecting a 28-22 victory in South Bend. The only current NCAA Division FBS schools that played Notre Dame earlier than Purdue are Michigan (1887 - first game in program history) and Northwestern (1889).

► The teams played seven times from 1899-1907 before a 11-year break (the longest hiatus in the history of the series). The teams resumed play in 1918 and met every year until 1923 before a 10-year break in the series. The teams then met in 1933, '34 and '39 and the series has been continuous since 1946, tying with the USC rivalry for Notre Dame's second-longest continuous series (Notre Dame and Navy have played every year since 1927).

► Notre Dame's 52 series wins against Purdue are the second-most against any opponent -- 71 against Navy is the highest.

► Entering 2009, Purdue has beaten Notre Dame more times (26) than any other school besides USC (33) and Michigan State (27).

► The Irish have not been shut out by the Boilermakers since 1933 (a 19-0 loss in South Bend).

► The winner of the game is presented the Shillelagh Trophy, a tradition started in 1957. The trophy was donated by the late Joe McLaughlin (a merchant seaman and Notre Dame fan who brought the club from Ireland). Notre Dame has taken home the Shillelagh Trophy 33 times in the 51-year history of the award.

NOTRE DAME - PURDUE SERIES NOTES

► Notre Dame and Purdue will meet for the 81st time in the all-time series this Saturday. The Irish lead the series by a 52-26-2 count.

► Including this weekend's game, Notre Dame or Purdue has been nationally ranked in 19 of the past 22 meetings (dating back to 1987). The 2001, 2007 and 2008 games were the only times in that stretch that neither the Irish nor Boilermakers were ranked.

► Over the last 10 meetings, Notre Dame holds a slim 6-4 advantage. The Irish won from 2000-02, 2005-06 and 2008. Purdue claimed victories in 1999, 2003-04 and 2007.

► The series has been one filled with many offensive fireworks. Since 1982 (a span of 27 games), the winning team has scored no fewer than 22 points in every meeting except Notre Dame's 17-0 triumph in 1993. The winning team has eclipsed the 30-point barrier on 15 different occasions and averaged 35.1 points per contest.

► If series history holds true, Notre Dame will need to score often to earn a victory this weekend. When the Irish fail to score 23 or more points in a game against Purdue, the Irish are 11-18-2 (.387). Since 1981 (28 meetings), Notre Dame has lost six out of the seven games to Purdue in which it failed to score over 20 points.

► Notre Dame has captured 15 of the last 16 meetings with Purdue inside Notre Dame Stadium. The Boilermakers' only victory in that span came in 2004. In fact, the Irish are 17-2 at home against Purdue since 1970.

THE UPSETS

► The series has produced 48 previous games in which at least one team was ranked in the AP poll, but the higher-ranked team is just 30-18 in those games.

► Purdue has been the beneficiary in 15 of the series' 18 upsets of the higher-ranked teams, including four times in which the Boilermakers knocked off the top-rated Irish: 1950 (28-14) and 1954 (27-14) at Notre Dame Stadium, and 1965 (25-21) and 1967 (28-21) at Ross-Ade Stadium. Purdue was unranked in 1950, No. 19 in '54, No. 6 in '65 and No. 10 in '67.

► Lower-ranked Irish teams have upset a higher-ranked Purdue squad three times, most recently at Notre Dame Stadium in 2000 when Notre Dame's Nicholas Setta connected on a 38-yard field goal with no time remaining to give the 23rd-ranked Irish a 23-21 victory over the 13th-ranked Boilermakers. Other Irish upsets include at Ross-Ade Stadium in 1952, when the unranked Irish knocked off No. 9 Purdue (26-14), and at Notre Dame Stadium in 1980, when the No. 11 Irish topped the ninth-ranked Boilermakers (31-10).

► Unranked Purdue teams also have beaten ranked Irish teams in 1956, '59, '60, '74 (31-20, when ND was No. 2), '81, '84 and '97 while lower-ranked Purdue teams also have beaten higher-ranked ND teams in '58, '69, '79 and '99.

IRISH RECORD SETTERS IN THE PURDUE SERIES

► The Notre Dame-Purdue series has been filled with incredible quarterback performances from the Irish. Five of the top 11 single-game completion records happened against the Boilermakers (Ron Powlus - 31; Brady Quinn - 29, 29; Terry Hanratty - 29). Three of the top nine single-game highs for passing yards also came against Purdue (Brady Quinn - 440, 432; Terry Hanratty - 366). Only four Irish quarterbacks have ever attempted 45 or more passes in one game and three of those efforts came against the Boilermakers (Hanratty owns the school record with 63; Quinn recorded 59 in 2003 and 46 in 2004).

► Reggie Brooks rushed for three touchdowns, tied for sixth-most in single-game history, in a 48-0 rout of Purdue on Sept. 26, 1992.

► Former Notre Dame QB Brady Quinn recorded 11 straight completions in the 49-28 victory in 2005 and his 80.5 completion percentage for the game is the eighth-best in single-game school history.

► Quinn eclipsed the 400-yard mark in passing on four occasions over his career, twice against Purdue. He threw for 440 yards in 2005 and 432 yards in 2004.

Head-to-Head Statistical Comparison						
NOTRE DAME				PURDUE		
#	NCAA	Category		Category	NCAA	#
34.00	33rd	Scoring Offense	vs.	Scoring Defense	104th	32.33
479.00	14th	Total Offense	vs.	Total Defense	105th	434.33
155.00	58th	Rushing Offense	vs.	Rushing Defense	102nd	181.00
324.00	10th	Passing Offense	vs.	Passing Defense	95th	253.33
186.14	1st	Passing Efficiency Off.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Def.	54th	119.04
22.67	63rd	Scoring Defense	vs.	Scoring Offense	26th	36.33
398.67	96th	Total Defense	vs.	Total Offense	25th	440.33
149.33	74th	Rushing Defense	vs.	Rushing Offense	22nd	210.67
249.33	91st	Passing Defense	vs.	Passing Offense	52nd	229.67
130.03	80th	Passing Efficiency Def.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Off.	75th	122.70
38.60	32nd	Net Punting	vs.	Net Punting	61st	36.13
10.00	48th	Punt Returns	vs.	Punt Returns	28th	12.67
27.56	18th	Kickoff Returns	vs.	Kickoff Returns	80th	20.50
1.33	12th	Turnover Margin	vs.	Turnover Margin	t-89th	-0.67
1.33	76th	Sacks	vs.	Sacks Allowed	t-11th	0.67
0.67	11th	Sacks Allowed	vs.	Sacks	t-76th	1.33

Top Notre Dame Performances Against Michigan State

INDIVIDUAL

Rushing Yards

Reggie Brooks, 15-205, 3 TD; 9.26.1992

Passing Yards

Brady Quinn, 29-36-440, 3 TD; 10.1.2005

Receptions

Jim Seymour, 13-276, 3 TD; 9.24.1966
Tom Gatewood, 12-192, 3 TD; 9.26.1970

Receiving Yards

Jim Seymour, 13-276, 3 TD; 9.24.1966

Points Kicking

Ted Gradel, 14 (5 XPs, 3 FGs); 9.26.1987

Kickoff Return Yards

Vontez Duff, 2-126, 1 TD; 12.1.2001

Punt Return Yards

Ricky Watters, 5-84, 1 TD; 9.24.1988

Touchdowns

Jim Seymour, 3 TD (3 receiving); 9.24.1966
Tom Gatewood, 3 TD (3 receiving); 9.26.1970
Reggie Brooks, 3 TD (3 rushing); 9.26.1992

Tackles

Bob Golic, 19; 10.30.78

Interceptions

Clarence Ellis, 2-3; 9.26.1970
Luther Bradley, 2-103, 1 TD; 9.20.1975
George Streater 2-16; 9.24.1988
Shawn Wooden, 2-10; 9.9.1995
Tony Driver, 2-54; 9.26.1998
Clifford Jefferson, 2-0; 12.1.2001

TEAM

Points Scored

52 (W, 52-6); 1983 in West Lafayette
52 (W, 52-7); 1988 in Notre Dame

Points Scored (quarter)

28 (W, 52-7); 1988 (second) in Notre Dame

Points Scored (half)

42 (W, 52-7); 1988 (first) in Notre Dame

Points Allowed

51 (L, 19-51); 1960 in Notre Dame

Points Allowed (quarter)

31 (L, 19-51); 1960 (second) in Notre Dame

Points Allowed (half)

45 (L, 19-51); 1960 (first) in Notre Dame

▶ Former QB and current Irish quarterback coach Ron Powlus tossed four touchdown passes in a 35-28 victory over Purdue on Sept. 9, 1995. At the time, the four TD passes was tied for the school record, but is now tied for fifth.

▶ Former All-American WRs Jim Seymour and Tom Gatewood each had remarkable careers against Purdue. Seymour had 13 catches, second most in single-game school history, for a school record 276 yards on Sept. 24, 1966. Gatewood had 12 catches, third most in a game, for 192 yards against the Boilermakers on Sept. 26, 1970. Both had three touchdown receptions in the each game as well.

▶ Notre Dame has had a pair of running backs eclipse 100 yards rushing in the same game just 16 times over 119 years of football. Two of those occasions came against Purdue. Phil Carter and Larry Moriarty rushed for 154 and 106 yards, respectively, on Sept. 25, 1982. Ray Zellars and Randy Kinder went for 156 and 143 on Sept. 24, 1994.

THE CLOSE GAMES AND NOT-SO-CLOSE GAMES

▶ Notre Dame is 18-5 in the last 23 games with Purdue (from 1986 on). Those 23 games have been decided by an average of 13.5 points, including 10 big Irish wins of over 20 points and five wins of over 30 points.

▶ Since 1986, only six games have been decided by fewer than 10 points and each occurred over an eight-year span between 1995-2002.

▶ Since the series resumed in 1946, there have been just four games where the winning points were scored in the final five minutes:

Sept. 25, 1971 #2 Notre Dame 8, at Purdue 7

With just over three minutes to play, the snap bounces at the two-yard line before slipping out of the hands of Purdue punter Scott Loughheed. Notre Dame's Walt Patulski and Clarence Ellis converge to block a punt that never gets airborne, with Fred Swendsen recovering in the end-zone for a TD with 2:58 to play. Pat Steenberge's pass to Mike Creaney adds the two-point conversion for the margin of victory.

Sept. 26, 1981 at Purdue 15, #13 Notre Dame 14

Purdue's Scott Campbell and Steve Bryant combined on a TD pass into the corner of the endzone with 0:19 left to play before running the same play to the other corner for the winning two-point conversion. Notre Dame's Phil Carter had scored on a 30-yard run with 2:57 remaining to give the Irish a 14-7 lead.

Sept. 26, 1998 at #23 Notre Dame 31, Purdue 30

Notre Dame's Jim Sanson kicked a 17-yard field goal with 57 seconds left to give the No. 23 Fighting Irish a 31-30 victory. Tony Driver made two key interceptions in the closing minutes. He returned his first interception off Drew Brees to the Purdue 5-yard line with 1:39 left to set up Sanson's field goal. His second interception with 37 seconds left ended Purdue's hopes for a comeback after the Boilermakers had reached the Notre Dame 44-yard line.

Sept. 16, 2000 at #21 Notre Dame 23, #13 Purdue 21

Though Gary Godsey couldn't run the option, he ran the Notre Dame offense well enough to help the Irish take advantage of numerous Purdue mistakes. The Irish scored 17 points off Purdue miscues and Nick Setta kicked a 38-yard field goal as time expired to give Notre Dame a 23-21 victory over the Boilermakers. The loss was the 12th straight for Purdue at Notre Dame. Godsey, a sophomore making his first start, completed 14 passes - one more than Purdue's Drew Brees managed against Notre Dame and one more than Arnaz Battle did over Notre Dame's first two games.

NOTRE DAME - PURDUE CONNECTIONS

▶ The 2009 Notre Dame roster features seven players from the state of Indiana, including senior PK Ryan Burkhart (Wakarusa/ Northwood H.S.), sophomore OC Braxton Cave (Mishawaka/Penn H.S.), Tyler Eifert (Fort Wayne/Bishop Dwenger H.S.), Dan Franco (Granger/Clay H.S.), John Goodman (Fort Wayne/Bishop Dwenger H.S.), Zach Martin (Indianapolis/Bishop Chatard H.S.) and Joshua Stull (Brownsburg/Brownsburg H.S.).

▶ The 2009 Purdue roster features 28 players from the state of Indiana.

▶ A number of players from Purdue and Notre Dame either attended the same high school or hail from the same hometown.

Notre Dame	High School/Hometown	Michigan State
Ryan Burkhart, PK	Northwood H.S.	Skyler Titus, QB
Tyler Eifert, TE	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Jarrod Shaw, FB
John Goodman, WR		
Zach Martin, OT	Indianapolis, Ind.	Joe Holland, LB Kakpindi Jamiru, LB
Zach Martin, OT	Indianapolis, Ind./Bishop Chatard H.S.	Frank Halliburton, FB
Dan McCarthy, FS	Youngstown, Ohio	John Humphrey, LB
Kyle McCarthy, SS		
Steve Botsford, LB	Arlington Heights, Ill.	Eric Hedstrom, OG
Chris Stewart, OG	Spring, Texas/Klein H.S.	Cody Davis, DT
Bobby Burger, TE	Cincinnati, Ohio	Zach Reckman, OG
Kyle Rudolph, TE		Rick Schmeig, C/OG
Kallen Wade, DE		
Brandon Newman	Louisville, Ky.	Trevor Foy, OT
Jordan Cowart, LS	St. Thomas Aquinas H.S.	Gabe Holmes, TE
Ben Turk, P		
Dan Wenger, OG/C		
Sam Young, OT		
Sean Cwynar, DT	Marian Catholic H.S.	Dennis Kelly, OT

Career Stats
vs. Purdue

JAMES ALDRIDGE

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	5	9	0	4	1.8	9.0
2008	8	34	0	17	4.2	34.0
Total	13	43	0	17	3.3	21.5

ARMANDO ALLEN

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	6	25	0	9	4.2	25.0
2008	17	134	1	21	7.9	134.0
Total	23	159	1	21	6.9	79.5

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	1	-9	0	0	1.0	-9.0	-9.0
2008	1	9	0	9	1.0	9.0	9.0
Total	2	0	0	9	1.0	0.0	0.0

Punt Returns	no.	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2007	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2008	1	-1	0	0	-1.0	-1.0
Total	1	-1	0	0	-1.0	-0.5

Kick Returns	no.	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2007	4	80	0	33	2.0	80.0
2008	4	105	0	36	26.2	105.0
Total	8	185	0	36	23.1	92.5

All Purpose	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
2007	25	-9	0	80	0	96	96.0
2008	134	9	-1	105	0	247	247.0
Total	159	0	-1	185	0	343	171.5

ROBERT BLANTON

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	5	0	5	0.0-0	2	0	0	0

INTs	no.	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2008	1	47	1	47	47.0	47.0

SERGIO BROWN

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2006	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	2	0	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	1	2	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
Total	3	1	4	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

JIMMY CLAUSEN

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	3	13	0	7	4.3	13.0
2008	5	8	0	7	1.6	8.0
Total	8	21	0	7	2.6	10.5

	c-a-i	yds	td	long	pct	avg/p	avg/g	effic
2007	18-26-1	169	1	36	69.2	6.5	169.0	128.8
2008	20-35-0	275	3	38	57.1	7.9	275.0	151.4
Total	38-61-1	1444	4	38	62.3	7.3	220.0	141.8

DARIUS FLEMING

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

MICHAEL FLOYD

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2008	6	100	0	38	6.0	16.7	100.0

GARY GRAY

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	4	0	4	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

ROBERT HUGHES

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2008	9	26	0	7	2.9	26.0
Total	10	26	0	7	2.6	13.0

ETHAN JOHNSON

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

DUVAL KAMARA

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	6	68	1	15	6.0	11.3	68.0
2008	1	5	0	5	1.0	5.0	5.0
Total	7	73	1	15	3.5	10.4	36.5

ERIC MAUST

	no	yds	long	avg
2007	3	132	48	44.0
2008	2	93	54	46.5
Total	5	225	54	45.0

KYLE MCCARTHY

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2006	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	3	0	3	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
2008	4	1	5	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	7	2	9	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

INTs

	no.	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2006	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2007	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2008	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	1	0	0	0	0.0	0.0

RAESHON McNEIL

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2006	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	0	1	1	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
2008	2	1	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	2	4	0.0-0	1	0	0	0

KERRY NEAL

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	0	1	1.0-2	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	1.0-2	0	0	0	0

ROBBY PARRIS

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	7	93	0	24	7.0	13.3	93.0

KYLE RUDOLPH

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2008	3	32	1	19	3.0	10.7	32.0

JOHN RYAN

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2006	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	6	0	6	2.0-12	0	0	0	0
2008	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	1	7	2.0-12	0	0	0	0

EVAN SHARPLEY

	att	yds	td	long	avg/c	avg/g
2007	5	-7	0	3	-1.4	-7.0

	c-a-i	yds	td	long	pct	avg/p	avg/g	effic
2007	16-26-1	208	2	43	61.5	8.0	208.0	146.4

BRIAN SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2007	2	0	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	1	4	5	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	4	7	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

HARRISON SMITH

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

SCOTT SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2005	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2006	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2007	1	0	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2008	2	1	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	1	4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

GOLDEN TATE

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2007	3	104	1	43	3.0	34.7	104.0
2008	5	64	1	38	5.0	12.8	64.0
Total	8	168	2	43	4.0	21.0	84.0

Kick Returns	no.	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2007	1	14	0	14	14.0	14.0
2008	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	1	14	0	14	14.0	14.0

GEORGE WEST

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/c	avg/g
2006	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2007	4	37	0	15	4.0	9.2	37.0
2008	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	4	37	0	15	1.3	9.2	12.3

att yds td long avg/c avg/g

2006	1	11	1	11	11.0	11.0
2007	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
2008	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0
Total	1	11	1	11	11.0	11.0

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score	
Purdue	7	7	7	0	-	21 Record: (2-2)
Notre Dame	0	14	21	3	-	38 Record: (3-1)

First Quarter

9:04 PUR Sheets, Kory 22 yd run (Summers, Chris kick), 8-59 4:16

Second Quarter

9:56 ND Blanton, Robert 47 yd interception return (Walker, Brandon kick)

4:46 PUR Valentin, Aaron 3 yd pass from Painter, Curtis (Summers, Chris kick)

2:35 ND Tate, Golden 6 yd pass from Clausen, Jimmy (Walker, Brandon kick)

Third Quarter

12:56 ND Allen, Armando 16 yd run (Walker, Brandon kick), 5-81 2:04

6:37 ND Rudolph, Kyle 5 yd pass from Clausen, Jimmy (Walker, Brandon kick), 11-78 4:56

5:24 PUR Tardy, Desmond 54 yd pass from Painter, Curtis (Summers, Chris kick), 4-64 1:13

1:24 ND Grimes, David 30 yd pass from Clausen, Jimmy (Walker, Brandon kick), 9-54 4:00

Fourth Quarter

10:26 ND Walker, Brandon 41 yd field goal, 9-64 3:55

	PUR	ND
FIRST DOWNS	23	23
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	17-103	40-201
PASSING YDS (NET)	359	275
Passes Att-Comp-Int	55-29-1	35-20-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-462	75-476
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-9	1--1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-97	4-105
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-47
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-39.0	2-46.5
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-43	6-44
Possession Time	24:34	35:26
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 14	6 of 14
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 2	3 of 4
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-3	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-8	0-0

RUSHING: Purdue-Sheets,Kory 13-87; Siller,Justin 2-6; Halliburton, Frank 1-5; Painter,Curtis 1-5. Notre Dame-Allen, Armando 17-134; Aldridge, James 8-34; Hughes, Robert 9-26; Clausen, Jimmy 5-8; TEAM 1-minus 1.

PASSING: Purdue-Painter,Curtis 29-55-1-359. Notre Dame-Clausen, Jimmy 20-35-0-275.

RECEIVING: Purdue-Tardy,Desmond 10-175; Orton,Greg 9-90; Sheets,Kory 5-56; Smith,Keith 2-24; Whittington, Brandon 1-8; Valentin,Aaron 1-3; McKey,Colton 1-3. Notre Dame-Floyd, Michael 6-100; Tate, Golden 5-64; Grimes, David 4-65; Rudolph, Kyle 3-32; Allen, Armando 1-9; Kamara, Duval 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Purdue-None. Notre Dame-Blanton, Robert 1-47.

FUMBLES: Purdue-None. Notre Dame-None.

SACKS (UA-A): Purdue-Neal,Mike 1-0. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Purdue-Heygood,Anthony 5-6; Holland,Joe 2-9; Williams,Torri 2-6; McKinley,Josh 3-4; Mclean,Dwight 1-4; Neal,Mike 1-4; Kerrigan,Ryan 2-2; King,Brandon 1-3; Golding, Nickcaro 1-3; Baker,Ryan 1-2; Pender,David 2-0; Brown,Keyon 1-1; Adams,Royce 0-2; Mondek,Nick 0-2; Guyann,Jermaine 0-2; Magee,Alex 0-2; Wolf,Adam 1-0; Wiggs,Carson 1-0; Lindsay,Jeff 1-0; Martin,Fabian 1-0; Dierking,Dan 1-0; Halliburton, Frank 1-0. Notre Dame-Bruton, David 4-2; Kuntz, Pat 3-3; Crum, Maurice 1-5; Blanton, Robert 5-0; McCarthy, Kyle 4-1; Smith, Brian 1-4; Gray, Gary 4-0; Lambert, Terrail 3-1; McNeil, Raeshon 2-1; Smith, Scott 2-1; Anello, Mike 1-2; Smith, Harrison 2-0; Brown, Sergio 1-1; Williams, Ian 0-2; Fleming, Darius 0-2; Johnson, Ethan 0-2; Neal, Kerry 1-0; Gordon, Leonard 0-1; Ryan, John 0-1; Quinn, Steve 0-1.

Stadium: Notre Dame Stadium

Attendance: 80795

Kickoff time: 3:43

End of Game: 7:04

Total elapsed time: 3:21

Officials: Referee: Bill LeMonnier; Umpire: Rick Nelson; Linesman: Mike Dolce; Line judge: Julius Livas; Back judge: Kevin Schwarzel; Field judge: Gerald Hocker; Side judge: Jon Lucivansky

Temperature: 77

Wind: WSW 10

Weather: Sunny

The Last Meeting Notre Dame 38, Purdue 21 Sept. 27, 2008

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP) -- Notre Dame's offense answered coach Charlie Weis' challenge.

The Fighting Irish put together their most productive third quarter of the season, scoring three touchdowns behind Jimmy Clausen's passing and Armando Allen Jr.'s running, in a 38-21 victory over Purdue on Saturday.

Notre Dame hadn't scored in the third quarter this season and were tied 14-14 with Purdue at halftime.

"Basically I told them, 'This is the most important drive of the season here,'" Weis said of the opening drive of the second half. "Because that game could have gone either way at that point."

Notre Dame (3-1), which entered the game averaging 78 yards rushing a game, ran for 90 yards in the third quarter against Purdue (2-2).

Allen Jr., who ran for a career-high 134 yards on 17 carries, had a 21-yard run to set up his 16-yard TD run. He then had two runs of 21 yards on the next possession to help set up Notre Dame's next score, a 5-yard pass from Clausen to Kyle Rudolph.

Clausen passed for a career-high 275 yards and three touchdowns.

When Purdue cut the lead to one touchdown on a 54-yard TD pass from Curtis Painter to Desmond Tardy, the Irish answered with a 30-yard TD from Clausen to David Grimes.

"The response they had in the third quarter was probably the probably the most significant part of this football game," Weis said.

Tardy had 10 catches for 175 yards.

The Irish ran for 201 yards on 40 carries. Purdue coach Joe Tiller said because of his team's lack of depth at linebacker he wasn't surprised to see the Irish run the ball so often.

"We played an awful lot of nickel defense, and if I'm coaching against a team that's going to play nickel all the time, I'm going to run it. At least I'm going to run it more than I normally run," he said.

The Boilermakers fell to 1-15 at Notre Dame Stadium since 1976. The loss also left Tiller, who is retiring after the season, with a 5-7 record against the Irish. Purdue had lost 11 straight to Notre Dame before Tiller arrived.

Allen, who had run for 71 yards on 24 carries coming into the game, had the five longest runs of his career.

"I said, 'Where you've been?'" Weis said.

Allen said, "It feels great to go out there and prove to people what I'm capable of."

Irish guard Eric Olsen said it wasn't surprising.

"He has great vision, and for his size, he has great power," Olsen said. "When he gets his legs churning it's hard to bring him down."

Clausen's previous career-high was 246 yards passing against Air Force. Michael Floyd added six catches for 100 yards and Golden Tate caught a touchdown pass.

Weis said Clausen made good decisions and threw the ball away when he needed to.

"It seemed like every ball we had a chance of making a play on. I thought he had a good day," Weis said.

Clausen, using a no-huddle offense, was 20-of-35 passes with no interceptions.

"I know I'm capable of doing stuff like this, it was just a matter of time and preparation and practice," Clausen said.

Purdue linebacker Anthony Heygood said the Boilermakers just gave up too many big plays.

"We're a talented defense and we know we can play much, much better than we did today," he said.

Painter was 29-of-55 passing for 359 yards and two touchdowns for Purdue as he kept the Irish off balance in the first half. But the Irish defense came up with some big plays, including a 47-yard interception return by cornerback Robert Blanton.

"We missed some opportunities early," Painter said. "We got behind a team that was doing some things well and really had to take advantage of those opportunities."

Weis said the win was big for the Irish.

"The confidence continues to grow," he said. "I'd say it's huge."

**The Last Meeting in West Lafayette
Purdue 33, Notre Dame 19
Sept. 20, 2007**

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. (AP) -- Charlie Weis was looking for something he recognized as winning football. He finally saw it ... just not enough of it.

Purdue extended the worst start in Notre Dame history to five losses when Curtis Painter threw two touchdown passes and Chris Summers hit four field goals in a 33-19 win on Saturday.

The Irish fell behind 23-0 at the half, and Weis let his players know he's tired of playing catch-up. "This time, I was maybe a little more rough at halftime," he said. "I'd had about enough. It was a collective effort. Offense, defense, special teams."

Notre Dame outscored Purdue 19-10 in the second half, something Weis hopes to build on. "For the first time this year, we played a half of football where you could win," he said. "That's closer to winning football."

Freshman quarterback Jimmy Clausen threw his first career touchdown pass before leaving with an injured hip, and the Irish gained 426 yards, by far their best output of the season.

It's a start.

Meanwhile, the Boilermakers (5-0) are off to their best start since 2004.

Kory Sheets had 141 yards rushing and Dorien Bryant caught eight passes for 82 yards for Purdue, which hosts No. 8 Ohio State next week.

With Purdue seemingly in control, Notre Dame's Tom Zbikowski intercepted a pass by Painter early on in the second half, and the Irish took advantage. On a fourth-and-goal at the Purdue 5-yard line, Clausen completed a pass to John Carlson to cut the lead to 23-6.

Purdue got a few gifts from Notre Dame on its next possession. The Irish bailed the Boilermakers out on a third-and-21 with a late hit and Summers' 29-yard field goal gave the Boilermakers a 26-6 lead. The Irish committed three penalties for 35 yards on the possession.

Clausen limped often in the game, and at times was shuffled in and out of the lineup. Weis expects him to play on Saturday against UCLA. Backup quarterback Evan Sharpley completed 16-of-26 passes for 208 yards, and Golden Tate caught three passes for 104 yards.

They gave Notre Dame a chance early in the fourth quarter with a 43-yard completion on a fourth-and-5 from the Notre Dame 37. Sharpley eventually threw a 7-yard touchdown pass to Duval Kamara with 12:43 left to cut Purdue's lead to 26-12.

On Notre Dame's next possession, Sharpley completed a 25-yard touchdown pass to a falling Tate to cut Purdue's lead to 26-19 with 7:58 to go.

Purdue righted itself on the next possession. Four running plays netted 35 yards before Painter connected with tight end Dustin Keller for a 14-yard touchdown.

Notre Dame then drove to the Purdue 18, but Terrell Vinson intercepted Sharpley in the end zone to end the threat. It was Vinson's second pick of the game.

The Irish converted 4 of 6 fourth downs, including two in their territory in the fourth quarter. Weis said he was playing for the win, no matter what.

"I told them with seven minutes to go if we cut it to seven, if we scored again, we were going to go for two and try and win in regulation," he said. "Why not go for two?"

Notre Dame will focus on playing a complete game after Weis said they showed potential in the second half.

"If we can do 60 minutes of that, maybe we can come away with a victory," Sharpley said.

Perhaps, but things don't get any easier for the Irish who face UCLA, No. 12 Boston College and top-ranked Southern California the next three weeks.

"It's been tough," Notre Dame defensive end Trevor Laws said, "but you just have to keep playing and show the young guys how to fight."

**Scoring
Summary**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4		Score	
Notre Dame	0	0	6	13	--	19	Record: (0-5)
Purdue	10	13	3	7	--	33	Record: (5-0)

First Quarter

10:45 PUR Summers 27 yd field goal, 10-54 4:15
5:49 PUR Sheets 1 yd run (Summers kick), 8-80 2:43

Second Quarter

11:54 PUR Summers 34 yd field goal, 6-8 1:19
4:46 PUR Bryant 11 yd pass from Painter (Summers kick), 11-81 4:46
2:50 PUR Summers 26 yd field goal, 4-5 1:20

Third Quarter

7:55 ND Carlson 5 yd pass from Clausen (Walker, B. kick failed), 6-37 2:06
0:28 PUR Summers 29 yd field goal, 11-56 3:21

Fourth Quarter

12:43 ND Kamara 7 yd pass from Sharpley (Whitaker kick failed), 11-81 2:45
7:58 ND Tate 25 yd pass from Sharpley (Whitaker kick), 14-79 3:40
5:33 PUR Keller 14 yd pass from Painter (Summers kick), 5-59 2:25

	ND	PUR
FIRST DOWNS	21	27
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	26-49	42-119
PASSING YDS (NET)	377	252
Passes Att-Comp-Int	52-34-2	37-22-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	78-426	79-371
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	1-6	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	8-132	4-83
Interception Returns-Yards	2--2	2-6
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-44.0	3-42.3
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	11-110	9-67
Possession Time	26:54	33:06
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 16	6 of 15
Fourth-Down Conversions	4 of 6	0 of 1
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-4	7-7
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-22	2-14

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Allen 6-25; Jabbie 4-16; Clausen 3-13; Aldridge 5-9; Hughes 1-0; Thomas 1-0; TEAM 1-minus 7; Sharpley 5-minus 7. Purdue-Sheets 27-141; Dierking 4-9; Painter 5-1; Bryant 1-minus 8; TEAM 5-minus 24.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Clausen 18-26-1-169; Sharpley 16-26-1-208. Purdue-Painter 22-37-2-252.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Parris 7-93; Kamara 6-68; Carlson 5-30; West 4-37; Jabbie 4-15; Tate 3-104; Grimes 3-34; Schwapp 1-5; Allen 1-minus 9. Purdue-Bryant 8-82; Keller 5-36; Orton 3-55; Lymon 2-28; Whittington 1-24; Standeford 1-14; Sheets 1-8; Tardy 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-McCarthy 1-0; Zbikowski 1-minus 2. Purdue-Vinson 2-6.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Aldridge 1-0; Allen 1-1. Purdue-TEAM 1-0.


SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Ryan 1-0; Laws 1-0. Purdue-Williams 1-0; Avril 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Brockington 6-3; Zbikowski 7-0; Ryan 6-0; Laws 5-1; Lambert 3-0; Bruton 3-0; McCarthy 3-0; Wooden 3-0; Stephenson 3-0; Richardson 2-1; Walls 2-1; Smith, B. 2-0; Brown, S. 2-0; Kuntz 1-1; Crum 1-1; Carlson 1-0; Clausen 1-0; Smith, S. 1-0; McNeil 0-1; Williams 0-1. Purdue-Keglar 5-4; Ferguson 3-5; Bick 3-3; Vinson 5-0; Scott 4-1; Heygood 3-1; Williams 3-1; King 2-2; Avril 3-0; Lane 2-1; Adams 2-1; Green 2-0; Haston 2-0; Magee 1-1; Bright 1-1; Brown 1-0; Dierking 1-0; Williams 1-0; Keller 1-0; Halliburton 0-1.

Stadium: Ross Ade Stadium **Attendance:** 62250
Kickoff time: 12:03 **End of Game:** 3:30 **Total elapsed time:** 3:27
Officials: Referee: Randy Smith; Umpire: Rick Feeney; Linesman: Kavin McGrath; Line judge: Hugh Campbell; Back judge: Paul Vargo; Field judge: Ben Vasconcels; Side judge: Bruce Williams
Temperature: 77 **Wind:** SSW 7 **Weather:** Sunny

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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)					
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

- ▶ 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. Ken MacAfee.....	15 (1974-77)
8. Golden Tate.....	14 (2007-)
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. Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
4. Golden Tate	8 (2007-)
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 eighth most in single-game school history.

Receiving Yards - Game

1. Jim Seymour	276	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Jack Snow	217	at Wisconsin, Sept. 26, 1964
3. Bobby Brown	208	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
Jim Morse	208	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
5. Maurice Stovall	207	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
6. Tom Gatewood	192	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
7. Jeff Samardzija	191	at Stanford, Nov. 26, 2005
8. Michael Floyd	189	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
9. Tim Brown	184	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1986
10. Kris Haines	179	at USC, Nov. 25, 1978

- ▶ 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.

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ARMANDO ALLEN JR.



Opa Locka, Fla. (Hialeah-Miami Lakes)
Birthdate: 4-30-89

Halfback

JR

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Allen's Career Highs

Carries – 23, Michigan State (9.19.09)	Rushing Yards – 139, at Michigan (9.12.09)
Longest Rush – 24, at Michigan (9.12.09)	Rushing TDs – 1, six times
Pass Attempts – 1, twice	Pass Completions – 1, twice
Passing Yards – 10, at UCLA (10.6.07)	Longest Completion – 5, Michigan State (9.19.09)
Passing TDs – 1, Michigan State (9.19.09)	Receptions – 9, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Receiving Yds – 66, Stanford (10.4.08)	Longest Reception – 41, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Receiving TDs – 1, three times	Kickoff Returns – 6, Air Force (11.10.07)
Kickoff Return Yds – 147, at Michigan State (9.20.08)	Longest Kickoff Return – 96, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Kickoff Return TDs – 1, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	Punt Returns – 3, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
Punt Return Yds – 35, San Diego State (9.6.08)	Longest Punt Return – 22, San Diego State (9.6.08)
Most All-Purpose Yds – 247, Purdue (9.27.08)	

Allen's Season Highs

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

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	3-2	59	326	3	24	5.5	108.7
Total	28-14	279	1259	6	24	4.5	45.0

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	3-2	7	55	0	26	2.3	7.9	18.3
Total	28-14	81	534	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	3-2	326	55	0	0	0	381	127.0
Total	28-14	1259	534	66	1247	0	3106	110.9

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)										
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

- ▶ Allen was named a 2009 Doak Walker Award Candidate. He also was ranked as Phil Steele's #17 kick returner and #47 running back.
- ▶ Allen ranks among the top FBS running backs in the nation in total rushing yards (326, t-14th), rushing yards per game (108.7, t-15th), rushes (59, t-14th) and yards per rush (5.53, 53rd). He is also tied for 51st in the nation in all-purpose yards per game (127.0).
- ▶ Allen took the direct snap (in the Wildcat 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.
- ▶ Allen has now registered a touchdown rush in three consecutive games. He is 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. Allen is now 2-for-2 passing in his career.
- ▶ Allen is 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 is 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 for the second consecutive week and the third time in his career. Allen is 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.
- ▶ Allen became the 11th player in Irish history to ever record 3,000 career all-purpose yards. Thanks to his 121 all-purpose yards against Michigan State, Allen moved past George Gipp (3,064, 1917-20) and Jerome Heavens (3,014, 1975-78) into ninth 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. Austry 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. Johnny Lattner	3116	1724	581	307	376	1951-53
9. Armando Allen	3106	1259	534	66	1247	2007-
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 50 receptions in 2008 which ranked second-most by an Irish running back in single-season history. Allen's 81 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 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. Tim Brown	275	-4	72	150	57	1987 (Michigan State)
7. Raghib Ismail	268	100	24	-	144	1990 (Miami, Fla.)
8. Vagas Ferguson	263	255	8	-	-	1978 (Georgia Tech)
9. Phil Carter	257	254	3	-	-	1980 (Michigan State)
10. Julius Jones	255	262	-7	-	-	2003 (Pittsburgh)
-- Armando Allen	247	134	9	-1	105	2008 (Purdue)

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JIMMY CLAUSEN



Westlake Village, Calif. (Oaks Christian)
Birthdate: 9-21-87

Quarterback	JR	6-3	223
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Clausen's Career Highs

Carries – 11, at North Carolina (10.11.08)	Rushing Yards – 19, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Longest Rush – 11, Duke (11.17.07)	Pass Attempts – 48, at North Carolina (10.11.08)
Pass Completions – 31, at North Carolina (10.11.08)	Passing Yards – 401, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Longest Completion – 88, Nevada (9.5.09)	Passing TDs – 5, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Rushing TDs – 1, twice	Interceptions – 4, Boston College (11.8.08)
Completion % – 84.6 (22-for-26), vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)	Passing YPA – 17.5, Nevada (9.5.09)
Passing YPC – 21.0, Nevada (9.5.09)	Passing Efficiency – 303.7, Nevada (9.5.09)

Clausen's Season Highs

Carries – 7, Michigan State (9.19)	Rushing Yards – 1, Nevada (9.5)
Longest Rush – 9, Michigan State (9.19)	Pass Attempts – 42, at Michigan (9.12)
Pass Completions – 25, at Michigan (9.12)	Passing Yards – 336, at Michigan (9.12)
Longest Completion – 88, Nevada (9.5)	Passing TDs – 4, Nevada (9.5)
Completion % – 83.3 (15-for-18), Nevada (9.5)	Passing YPA – 17.5, Nevada (9.5)
Passing YPC – 21.0, 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	3-3	62	91	0	951	9	88	68.1	10.5	317.0	188.6
Total	26-25	468	776	23	5377	41	88	60.3	6.9	206.8	130.0

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)									
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

- ▶ Clausen is one of four Irish captains and also was ranked by Phil Steele as the 10th-best quarterback in the nation for 2009.
- ▶ Clausen is one of 10 FBS quarterbacks that has yet to throw an interception and none of those 10 quarterbacks have more pass attempts than his 91.
- ▶ Clausen ranks among the top FBS quarterbacks in the nation in fewest interceptions (0, t-1st), passing touchdowns (9, t-2nd), passing efficiency (188.55, 2nd), passing yards per attempt (10.45, 4th), total passing yards (951, 4th), total points responsible for (54, t-4th), points responsible for per game (18.0, t-6th), passing yards per game (317.0, 8th), passing yards per completion (15.34, 8th), total offense per game (317.0, 10th), total completions (62, t-19th), completions per game (20.67, t-21st), completion percentage (68.13, 20th) and total attempts (91, t-32nd).
- ▶ Despite being just a little over halfway through his college career, Clausen has moved into the top-10 in almost all Notre Dame passing lists.
- ▶ Clausen already ranks in the top-five in 10 categories including passing yards per game (second – 206.8 yards), pass attempts per game (second – 29.8), completion percentage (second – 60.3 percent), pass completions per game (second – 18.0), total offense per game (second – 196.8), completions (fourth – 468), attempts (fourth – 776), passing touchdowns (tied for third – 41). He also ranks third in lowest interception percentage (2.96 percent) in school history and fifth in career passing yards (5,377).
- ▶ 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 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 became 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). He now has six career 300-yard passing games.
- ▶ Clausen has registered multiple touchdown passes 13 times over Notre Dame's last 18 games.
- ▶ Clausen has already registered 14 passes of at least 20 yards over Notre Dame's first three games of the season.
- ▶ Clausen connected on all nine pass attempts in the opening quarter for 128 yards and one touchdown.
- ▶ In fact, Clausen completed his first 10 passes of the game before Mike Ragone dropped his 11th pass attempt of the afternoon.
- ▶ Clausen's 10 straight completions to open the game 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 moved past Tony Rice (1986-89) into seventh place on the Notre Dame all-time total yards list.
- ▶ Clausen moved past Allen Pinkett (1982-85) into fifth place on the Notre Dame all-time total plays list.
- ▶ With his two touchdown passes against Michigan State and 41 for his career, Clausen moved into a tie with Rick Mirer (1989-92) for third place on the Notre Dame all-time passing touchdowns list.
- ▶ 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 with 5:18 remaining in the fourth quarter.
- ▶ Over his last four games, Clausen has 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 has now attempted 132 consecutive passes without an interception (second streak in his career with at least 132 straight passes without an interception).

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Multiple Games

1. Brady Quinn 226
Michigan State 2006 - Army 2006
2. Brady Quinn 143
Stanford 2005 - Michigan 2006
3. **Jimmy Clausen** **132**
USC 2008 - Current
- 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 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 19 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.
- 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 was one of four nominees for the 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**
- 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.

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KYLE RUDOLPH

Cincinnati, Ohio (Elder)

Birthdate: 11-9-89



Tight End

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6-6

260

Rudolph's Career Highs

Receptions - 6, Michigan State (9.19.09) **Receiving Yards** - 95, Michigan State (9.19.09)
Longest Reception - 52, Michigan State (9.19.09) **Receiving TDs** - 1, three 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, Nevada (9.5)

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	3-3	13	162	1	52	4.3	12.5	54.0
Total	16-16	42	502	3	52	2.6	12.0	31.4

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)					
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

- ▶ 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.
- ▶ Among receivers with at least 4.33 receptions per game, Rudolph's 12.46 yards per reception is the highest of any FBS tight end. He also ranks tied for second in receiving yards, tied for second in receiving yards per game, tied for second in receiving touchdowns, fourth in receptions and fourth in receptions per game by a tight end.

Name, School	Rec.	Yds	Rec./G	Avg./Rec.	Yds/G	TDs
Dennis Pitta, BYU	16	197	5.33	12.31	65.67	0
Drake Dunsmore, Northwestern	14	162	4.67	11.57	54.00	1
Cody Slate, Marshall	14	156	4.67	11.14	52.00	2
Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	13	162	4.33	12.46	54.00	1

- ▶ Of Rudolph's 13 receptions this season, six have resulted in first downs and another went for a touchdown.
- ▶ 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 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 Masztak (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
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6-4
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Crist's Season/Career Highs

- | | |
|---|---|
| Pass Attempts – 2, twice | Pass Completions – 2, Nevada (9.5) |
| Passing Yards – 17, Nevada (9.5) | Longest Completion – 15, Nevada (9.5) |
| Completion % – 100.0 (2-for-2), Nevada (9.5) | Passing YPA – 8.5, Nevada (9.5) |
| Passing YPC – 8.5, Nevada (9.5) | 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	2-0	3	4	1	16	0	15	75.0	4.0	8.0	58.6

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)									
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

13 EVAN SHARPLEY

Marshall, Mich. (Marshall)

Birthdate: 11-4-86



Quarterback
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Sharpley's Career Highs

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|---|---|
| Carries – 10, twice | Rushing Yards – 3, vs. Navy (11.3.07) |
| Longest Rush – 13, vs. Navy (11.3.07) | Pass Attempts – 33, vs. USC (10.20.07) |
| Pass Completions – 17, twice | Passing Yards – 208, at Purdue (9.29.07) |
| Longest Completion – 43, at Purdue (9.29.07) | Passing TDs – 2, twice |
| Interceptions – 1, three times | Completion % – 76.9 (10-for-13), vs. Georgia Tech (9.1.07) |
| Passing YPA – 8.0, at Purdue (9.29.07) | Passing YPC – 13.0, at Purdue (9.29.07) |
| Passing Efficiency – 146.43, 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
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.

18 DUVAL KAMARA



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

Wide Receiver JR 6-5 219

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, Michigan State (9.19)
Longest Reception – 10, Michigan State (9.19)
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	3-2	4	29	0	10	1.3	7.2	9.7
Total	27-16	56	592	5	35	2.1	10.6	21.9

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)					
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

- ▶ 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, at Michigan (9.12.09)
Longest Reception – 69, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Carries – 2, at Washington (10.25.08)
Longest Rush – 24, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
Longest Kick Return – 40, at Michigan (9.15.07)
Kick Returns – 5, twice
Punt Return Yards – 50, vs. Navy (11.15.08)
Most All-Purpose Yards – 223, Syracuse (11.22.08)
Receiving Yards – 177, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Receiving TDs – 3, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Rushing Yards – 24, at Michigan State (9.20.08)
Rushing TDs – 1, at Washington (10.25.08)
Kick Return Yards – 133, at Michigan (9.15.07)
Longest Punt Return – 42, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Punt Returns – 6, vs. Navy (11.15.08)

Tate's Season Highs

Receptions – 9, at Michigan (9.12)
Longest Reception – 54, Michigan State (9.19)
Rushing Yards – 5, at Michigan (9.12)
Longest Punt Return – 23, Michigan State (9.19)
Punt Returns – 2, Michigan State (9.19)
Receiving Yards – 127, Michigan State (9.19)
Carries – 1, three times
Longest Rush – 5, at Michigan (9.12)
Punt Return Yards – 23, Michigan State (9.19)
Most All-Purpose Yards – 149, Michigan State (9.19)

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	3-3	19	301	3	54	6.3	15.8	100.3
Total	28-13	83	1512	14	69	3.0	18.2	54.0

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	7	301	21	0	0	329	109.7
Total	48	1512	137	847	0	2544	90.9

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)										
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

- ▶ Tate ranks among the top FBS receivers in the nation in touchdown receptions (3, t-12th), total receiving yards (301, t-19th), receiving yards per game (100.33, t-20th), receptions per game (6.33, t-25th) and yards per catch (15.84, 44th).
- ▶ Tate has already registered 12 catches that have resulted in first downs and five have come on a first down play. He also has five receptions of over 20 yards, including three over 30 yards. Tate has now recorded 28 receptions of at least 20 yards and 20 catches have gained at least 30 yards over his career.
- ▶ Tate collected a 54-yard reception on Notre Dame's touchdown drive to open the third quarter. The reception for Tate was the third 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.

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. Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
8. Golden Tate	14 (2007-)
9. Michael Floyd	12 (2008-)
Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

► Tate registered his eighth career 100-yard receiving game against Michigan State, which stands alone for fourth 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. Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
4. Golden Tate	8 (2007-)
5. Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
6. Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)

► 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 six 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 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 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 career-bests. One of his touchdowns went for 69 yards, which was the longest play from scrimmage on the year for the Irish and 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 was 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 a career-best 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. Raghbi Ismail	1723	537	699	151	336	1990
5. Allen Pinkett	1682	1394	288	-	-	1983
6. Darius Walker	1658	1267	391	-	-	2006
7. Raghbi 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

50

5-10

220

Gray's Career Highs

Carries – 9, twice

Longest Rush – 19, twice

Receiving Yards – 7, at Michigan (9.12.09)

Kickoff Returns – 1, twice

Longest Kickoff Return – 5, at UNC (10.11.08)

Rushing Yards – 61, at Washington (10.25.08)

Receptions – 1, twice

Longest Reception – 7, at Michigan (9.12.09)

Kickoff Return Yards – 5, at UNC (10.11.08)

Gray's Season Highs

Carries – 9, Nevada (9.5)

Longest Rush – 19, Nevada (9.5)

Receiving Yards – 7, at Michigan (9.12)

Rushing Yards – 50, Nevada (9.5)

Receptions – 1, twice

Longest Reception – 7, at Michigan (9.12)

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	3-0	16	74	0	19	4.6	24.7
Total	10-0	37	164	0	19	4.4	16.4


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)										
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

32 THEO RIDDICK


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



Halfback	FR	5-10	195
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33 ROBERT HUGHES

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



Halfback	JR	5-11	234
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Riddick's Season/Career Highs

Carries – 5, Nevada (9.5) **Rushing Yards** – 19, Nevada (9.5)
Longest Rush – 9, Nevada (9.5) **Kickoff Returns** – 4, Michigan State (9.19)
Kickoff Return Yards – 107, Michigan State (9.19) **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	3-0	6	19	0	9	3.2	6.3

Riddick's Career Kickoff Return Stats

Year	G-S	No	Yds	TD	LG	Avg/R	Avg/G
2009	3-0	6	153	0	38	25.5	51.0

Riddick's Career All-Purpose Stats

Year	G-S	Rush	RCV	PR	KR	IR	Total	Avg/G
2009	3-0	19	0	0	153	0	172	57.3

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)										
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

► Riddick's 25.50 yards per kickoff return ranks 40th-best in the FBS. It ranks as the sixth-best total of any true freshman kick returner in the nation.

Player	Pos	KR	KR Yds	TDs	Avg	Ret/Gm
Greg Reid, Florida St.	DB	7	207	0	29.57	2.33
Eric Stephens, Texas Tech	RB	8	236	0	29.50	2.67
Quincy McDuffie, UCF	WR	7	200	1	28.57	2.33
Eric Williams, Ball St.	RB	6	156	0	26.00	2.00
Warren Norman, Vanderbilt	RB	8	206	0	25.75	2.67
Theo Riddick, Notre Dame	RB	6	153	0	25.50	2.00

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** – 15, at North Carolina (10.11.08)

Hughes' Season Highs

Carries – 6, Nevada (9.5) **Rushing Yards** – 20, Nevada (9.5)
Longest Rush – 8, Nevada (9.5) **Receptions** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)
Receiving Yards – -1, Michigan State (9.19) **Longest Reception** – -1, Michigan State (9.19)

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	3-0	7	20	0	8	2.9	6.7
Total	26-4	172	696	8	45	4.0	26.8

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	3-0	1	-1	0	-1	0.3	-1.0	-0.3
Total	26-4	18	109	0	15	0.7	6.1	4.2

Hughes' Game-by-Game Rushing

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)										
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

► Recorded a pair of 100-yard career rushing games and one multi-touchdown game.
 ► 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

6-0

225

Aldridge's Career Highs

Carries – 32, Navy (11.3.07)

Longest Rush – 43, Michigan State (9.22.07)

Receptions – 3, at UCLA (10.6.07)

Longest Reception – 11, at UCLA (10.6.07)

Kickoff Return Yards – 15, Syracuse (11.22.08)

Rushing Yards – 125, Navy (11.3.07)

Rushing TDs – 2, at Washington (10.25.08)

Receiving Yards – 18, at UCLA (10.6.07)

Kickoff Returns – 1, Syracuse (11.22.08)

Longest Kickoff Return – 15, Syracuse (11.22.08)

Aldridge's Season Highs

Carries – 3, Nevada (9.5)

Longest Rush – 9, Nevada (9.5)

Rushing Yards – 13, 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 and Michigan State 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

Olsen's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2006	8-0	20:45
2007	11-6	171:45
2008	13-13	348:12
2009	3-3	--
Total	35-22	540:42

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 22 consecutive contests (19 at left guard, three at center) and played in 35 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

Stewart's Career Stats

Year	G-GS	Time
2006	DNP	
2007	6-0	46:44
2008	10-10	242:53
2009	3-3	--
Total	19-13	288:37

Tidbits

- ▶ Settled in nicely at offensive guard for the Irish in 2008 after bouncing around 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 19 games over the past three seasons and started 13 games (10 in 2008).
- ▶ Moves from right guard to left guard in '09 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	3-3	--
Total	32-15	376:38

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 '09 as the starter at left tackle.
- ▶ Started 15 of 32 career games played for the Irish including five starts at left tackle and 10 starts at right tackle (started 12 games in 2007).
- ▶ Logged 376:38 of playing time at Notre Dame.
- ▶ One of six members of the Irish offensive line in '09 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	3-3	--
Total	41-41	980:06

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 41 games of his career and is the only Notre Dame offensive lineman to have started every game since his freshman year.
- ▶ 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 31 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 three 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
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Robinson's Career Stats


Year	G-GS	Time
2008	11-3	190:07
2009	3-3	--
Total	14-6	190:07

Tidbits

- ▶ Strong, versatile offensive lineman has already appeared in 14 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
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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** – 16, Michigan State (9.19)
Longest Reception – 10, Nevada (9.5)

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	3-1	4	26	1	10	1.3	6.5	8.7
Total	28-5	43	444	2	35	1.5	10.3	15.9

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)					
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

- ▶ Recorded his first career 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.

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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	3-1	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	14-1	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)					
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
 ▶ Made first career start against Nevada in the season opener.

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DARRIN WALLS

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



Cornerback

SR

6-2

190

Walls' Career Highs
Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12.09) **Solo Tackles** – 4, twice
Assisted Tackles – 4, Duke (11.17.07) **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, Navy (11.3.07)
Interceptions – 1, at Penn State (9.8.07) **Longest INT Return** – 73, at Penn State (9.8.07)
INT Return TD – 73, at Penn State (9.8.07) **Forced Fumbles** – 1, twice
Pass Breakups – 2, twice

Walls' Season Highs
Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12) **Solo Tackles** – 4, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 3, at Michigan (9.12) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Pass Breakups – 1, twice

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	3-2	9	6	3	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	2	0-0	
Total	23-15	45	33	12	3.5-18	0.0-0	2	0-0	12	1-73	

Year	No.	Kickoff			Punt					
		Yards	Avg.	TD	LG	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	LG
2006	5	84	16.8	0	28	0	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)									
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
 ▶ 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.
 ▶ Set a career-high with seven tackles against Michigan. Walls also equaled his career-best total for solo stops with four.

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MANTI TE'O

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



Linebacker

FR

6-2

244

Te'o's Career/Season Highs
Total Tackles – 2, twice **Solo Tackles** – 2, Nevada (9.5)
Assisted Tackles – 1, twice **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)

Te'o's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2009	3-1	5	3	2	1.0-2	0.0-0	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)									
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

- ▶ Registered a solo tackle on his first career defensive play against Nevada last weekend.
- ▶ Te'o registered 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.

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RAESHON MCNEIL



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

Cornerback	SR	6-0	190
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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) **Solo Tackles** – 4, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 1, at Michigan (9.12)

McNeil's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					INT
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	
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	3-1	5	4	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	38-15	59	40	19	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)									
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

- ▶ 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 Gerome 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.	Jairus 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

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ETHAN JOHNSON



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

Defensive Tackle	SO	6-4	280
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Johnson's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 5, at USC (11.29.08) **Solo Tackles** – 5, at USC (11.29.08)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Purdue (9.27.08) **QB Hurries** – 1, twice
Tackles For Loss – 2.0, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08) **Sacks** – 2.0, vs. Hawai'i (12.24.08)
Pass Breakups – 2, at Michigan State (9.20.08) **Blocked Kicks** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Johnson's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 4, at Michigan (9.12) **Solo Tackles** – 3, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 3, Michigan State (9.19) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Blocked Kicks – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Johnson's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2008	13-4	18	9	9	5.0-21	3.5-17	0	0-0	2	0-0
2009	3-3	9	4	5	1.0-4	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	16-7	27	13	14	6.0-25	3.5-17	0	0-0	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)									
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

- ▶ 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
SO
6-1
185

Blanton's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 7, at USC (11.29.08) **Solo Tackles** – 7, at USC (11.29.08)
Assisted Tackles – 2, three times **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 – 5, Michigan State (9.19) **Solo Tackles** – 3, Michigan State (9.19)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Michigan State (9.19) **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	3-3	10	6	4	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	1-0
Totals	15-7	43	32	11	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)									
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

- ▶ Returned a Curtis Painter throw 47 yards for a touchdown against Purdue on Sept. 27, 2008.
- ▶ 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	3-0	4	3	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)									
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

- ▶ Serves on all four Irish special teams units.

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	3-3	24	14	10	1.5-2	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	16-12	81	53	28	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)									
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

- ▶ Outstanding athlete that 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 tackle for loss.

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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			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2009	3-0	4	4	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)									
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

- ▶ Slaughter is tied for the second with three tackles on special teams.

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KYLE MCCARTHY

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

Safety
SR
6-1
210

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 – 9, three times **Solo Tackles** – 7, twice
Assisted Tackles – 4, at Michigan (9.12) **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			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2005					DNP					
2006	13-0	9	6	3	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	1	1-0
2008	13-13	110	64	46	3.5-12	0.0-0	0	0-0	1	2-18
2009	3-3	27	19	8	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	2	3-63
Total	41-17	166	100	66	4.5-13	0.0-0	1	0-0	4	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)									
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

- ▶ McCarthy is one of four Irish captains.
- ▶ McCarthy recorded nine tackles and a interception for the third consecutive game last week against Michigan State. He is tied for fifth in the nation in interceptions.
- ▶ McCarthy has recorded an interception in each of the first three games this year and is 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 is one of five players to record an interception in each of the first three games this year.
- ▶ McCarthy could become the first Irish player since 1950 to open a season with a interception in four straight games.
- ▶ 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 five games.
- ▶ McCarthy is one of three players from an FBS school to have three interceptions and also average 9.00 or more tackles per game.
- ▶ McCarthy has registered a team-best 500 special teams appearances at Notre Dame.
- ▶ McCarthy has led the Irish in tackles six different times over his career.
- ▶ 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).
- ▶ McCarthy ranked tied for 42nd in the NCAA FBS in solo tackles and 54th in total tackles last season.

► McCarthy also ranked among the top five strong safeties in the NCAA FBS in both total tackles and solo tackles per game in 2008. Here are those lists:

Total Tackles Per Game (Strong Safeties)

Name, School	Cl.	Solo	Asst.	Total	TPG
Derrick Richardson, New Mexico St.	Sr.	66	71	137	12.45
Josh Thompson, La.-Monroe	Jr.	68	40	108	9.00
Clint McPeck, New Mexico	Jr.	50	53	103	8.58
Kyle McCarthy, Notre Dame	Sr.	64	46	110	8.46
Brad Phillips, Northwestern	Jr.	56	53	109	8.38

Solo Tackles Per Game (Strong Safeties)

Name, School	Cl.	Solo	TPG
Derrick Richardson, New Mexico St.	Sr.	66	6.00
Josh Thompson, La.-Monroe	Jr.	68	5.67
Emmanuel Cook, South Carolina	Jr.	62	5.17
Kyle McCarthy, Notre Dame	Sr.	64	4.92
William Moore, Missouri	Sr.	55	4.58

Solo 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 eclipsed double digits in tackles four times in 2008.
- McCarthy equalled his then career-high with 14 tackles in the victory over Stanford on Oct. 4, 2008. He added his second career interception and a tackle for loss.
- McCarthy made just his second career start in the 2008 season-opening victory over San Diego State, but the Youngstown, Ohio native recorded a then career-high 14 tackles, including 10 solo stops.
- McCarthy backed up the performance with another stingy double-digit tackle effort against Michigan on Sept. 13, 2008. He totaled 10 stops.

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SERGIO BROWN

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

Safety
SR
6-2
205

Brown's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 6, twice
Assisted Tackles – 2, San Diego State (9.6.08)
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 – 2, three times
Assisted Tackles – 1, Nevada (9.5)

Solo Tackles – 2, twice

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	3-2	6	5	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	36-8	45	33	12	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)									
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

- 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.

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MIKE ANELLO

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

Cornerback
SR
5-10
180

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, twice
Assisted Tackles – 1, Nevada (9.5)

Solo Tackles – 1, at Michigan (9.12)

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	3-0	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	23-0	31	20	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)									
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

- 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 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).

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

Scott Smith's Season Highs

- Total Tackles** – 4, Michigan State (9.19)
- Assisted Tackles** – 2, Michigan State (9.19)
- Solo Tackles** – 2, twice

Scott Smith's Career Stats

Year	Tackles					Fumbles				
	G-S	TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
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	3-0	7	4	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	38-0	40	23	17	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)									
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

- ▶ Serves as Irish special-teams captain.
- ▶ Logged 305 special-teams appearances at Notre Dame.

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DARIUS FLEMING

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

Linebacker

SO

6-1

240

Fleming's Career Highs

- Total Tackles** – 4, twice
- Assisted Tackles** – 3, Michigan (9.13.08)
- Sacks** – 1.0, three times
- Forced Fumble** – 1, at Michigan (9.12.09)
- Solo Tackles** – 3, twice
- Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, twice
- QB Hurries** – 1, twice

Fleming's Season Highs

- Total Tackles** – 4, at Michigan (9.12)
- Assisted Tackles** – 1, twice
- Sacks** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
- Forced Fumble** – 1, at Michigan (9.12)
- Solo Tackles** – 3, at Michigan (9.12)
- Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, twice
- QB Hurries** – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

Fleming's Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles			Fumbles					
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2008	13-3	24	13	11	2.5-20	2.5-20	0	0-0	0	0-0
2009	3-3	7	5	2	4.0-7	1.0-4	1	0-0	0	0-0
Total	16-6	31	18	13	6.5-27	3.5-24	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	0	2	2.0-2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
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

- ▶ Fleming equalled his career-high for tackles and solo tackles in a game last week 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.

46 STEVE FILER



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

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Filer's Season/Career Highs

Total Tackles – 2, Nevada (9.5) **Solo Tackles** – 1, Nevada (9.5)
Assisted Tackles – 1, Nevada (9.5)

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	3-0	2	1	1	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0
Total	14-0	3	2	1	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)									
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

49 TORYAN SMITH



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

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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 – 1, twice **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	3-2	10	7	3	3.5-13	1.0-10	0	1-5	0	0-0
Total	33-6	50	30	20	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)									
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

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

56 KERRY NEAL



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

Defensive End JR 6-2 250

Neal's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 5, Syracuse (11.22.08) **Solo Tackles** – 2, twice
Assisted Tackles – 5, Syracuse (11.22.08) **QB Hurries** – 1, five times
Tackles For Loss – 1.0, four times **Sacks** – 1.0, four times
Fumble Recovery – 1, twice **Pass Breakups** – 1, Pittsburgh (11.1.08)
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

QB Hurries – 1, Michigan State (9.19)

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	3-2	0	0	0	0.0-0	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	28-17	45	19	26	6.0-28	4.0-24	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)									
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

- 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.

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BRIAN SMITH

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

Linebacker

JR

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Brian Smith's Career Highs

Total Tackles – 10, at Michigan State (9.20.08)	Solo Tackles – 8, at Boston College (11.8.08)
Assisted Tackles – 6, at Michigan State (9.20.08)	Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Nevada (9.5.09)
QB Hurries – 1, five times	Sacks – 1.0, four times
Interceptions – 1, Boston College (10.13.07)	Longest INT Return – 25, Boston College (10.13.07)
INT Return TD – 25, Boston College (10.13.07)	Forced Fumbles – 1, twice
Fumble Recoveries – 2, Michigan (9.13.08)	Pass Breakups – 1, twice
Longest Fumble Return – 35, Michigan (9.13.08)	Fumble Return TD – 1, Michigan (9.13.08)

Brian Smith's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 7, at Michigan (9.12)	Solo Tackles – 5, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 2, at Michigan (9.12)	Tackles For Loss – 2.0, Nevada (9.5)
Sacks – 1.0, 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	3-3	15	10	5	3.0-19	1.0-11	0	0-0	0	0-0	
Total	24-14	89	51	38	10.0-67	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)									
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

- 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.

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KAPRON LEWIS-MOORE

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

Defensive End

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Lewis-Moore's Season/Career Highs

Total Tackles – 4, Michigan State (9.19)	Solo Tackles – 2, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 3, Michigan State (9.19)	Forced Fumble – 1, Michigan State (9.19)
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	3-1	6	3	3	0.0-0	0.0-0	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)									
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

- Lewis-Moore picked up his first career forced fumble midway through the second quarter against Michigan State. He stripped Spartans running back Caulton 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 last week 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) **Solo Tackles** – 6, twice
Assisted Tackles – 4, at Penn State (9.8.07) **Tackles For Loss** – 2.0, at Purdue (9.29.07)
Pass Breakups – 2, San Diego State (9.6.08) **Sacks** – 1.0, three times
QB Hurries – 1, five times **Forced Fumble** – 1, at UCLA (10.6.07)
Fumble Recovery – 1, twice

Ryan's Season Highs

Total Tackles – 3, twice **Solo Tackles** – 2, at Michigan (9.12)
Assisted Tackles – 2, Nevada (9.5) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, at Michigan (9.12)
Sacks – 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	3-1	7	3	4	1.0-5	1.0-5	0	0-0	1	0-0
Total	37-16	57	27	30	7.0-37	3.5-28	1	2-0	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)									
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

- ▶ 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, Nevada (9.5) **Tackles For Loss** – 1.0, Michigan State (9.19)

Williams' Career Stats

Year	G-S	Tackles				Fumbles				
		TT	UT	AT	TFL	Scks	FF	FR	PBU	INT
2007	12-2	45	19	26	1.5-3	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	3-3	8	4	4	1.0-1	0.0-0	0	0-0	0	0-0
Total	27-12	93	41	52	4.5-9	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)									
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)									

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ERIC MAUST

Alpharetta, Ga. (Blessed Trinity)
Birthdate: 1-9-88




Punter	SR	6-2	190
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NICK TAUSCH

Plano, Texas (Jesuit)
Birthdate: 4-30-91



Kicker	FR	6-0	190
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Maust's Career Highs
Punts – 8, at USC (11.29.08) **Punt Yards** – 323, at USC (11.29.08)
Punt Average (min. of 3) – 44.0, twice **Long Punt** – 54, twice
50+ Punts – 2, twice **Inside 20** – 2, six times
Blocked – 1, three times **Touchback** – 1, six times

Maust's Season Highs
Punts – 4, at Michigan (9.12) **Punt Yards** – 160, at Michigan (9.12)
Punt Average (min. of 3) – 41.3, Michigan State (9.19) **Long Punt** – 49, Michigan State (9.19)
Inside 20 – 2, Nevada (9.5) **Touchback** – 1, at Michigan (9.12)

Maust's Career Stats

Year	G-S	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blkd
2006										DNP
2007	6-0	21	884	42.1	53	1	6	9	2	1
2008	13-0	54	2218	41.1	54	4	10	16	8	2
2009	3-0	10	406	40.6	49	1	5	3	0	0
Total	22-0	85	3508	41.3	54	6	21	28	10	3

Maust's Game-by-Game

2009	No	Yds	Avg	LG	TB	FC	I20	50+	BLK
NEV (9.5)	3	122	40.7	43	0	1	2	0	0
at UM (9.12)	4	160	40.0	46	1	2	0	0	0
MSU (9.19)	3	124	41.3	49	0	2	1	0	0
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)									

Tidbits

- ▶ Bombed 10 punts over 50 yards, with a long of 54 and landed 27 balls inside the 20-yard line.
- ▶ One of Notre Dame's best pitchers posting a combined 14-6 record from 2007-09.
- ▶ Named all-BIG EAST second team as a pitcher in 2008.
- ▶ Maust made 10 appearances, nine out of the bullpen, for the Cape Cod League's Hyannis Mets this past summer. He went 2-2 with a 2.29 earned run average in 19.2 innings of work. Maust yielded 16 hits and struck out 17 with six walks.

Tausch's Career Highs
Extra Points Attempted – 5, Nevada (9.5) **Extra Points Converted** – 5, Nevada (9.5)
Field Goals Attempted – 3, at Michigan (9.12) **Field Goals Converted** – 2, twice
Longest FG – 46, Michigan State (9.19) **Points Scored** – 9, Michigan State (9.19)

Tausch's Career Stats

Year	Field Goals				XP		Kickoffs			
	G-S	M-A	Pct	LG	M-A	Pct	Att	Yds	Avg	TB
2009	3-0	4-5	.800	46	10-11	.909	20	1230	61.5	0

Field Goal Breakdown

Year	0-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	Blkd
2009	0-0	1-2	1-1	2-2	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)						
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)						

Tidbits

- ▶ After missing a 28-yard field goal (the first field goal attempt of his career) on Notre Dame's opening drive against Michigan, Tausch connected from 34 yards to bring the Irish within a score of 7-3 with 0:46 remaining in the first quarter.
- ▶ Added a 42-yard field goal to give Notre Dame a 20-14 lead with 2:41 to go before halftime.
- ▶ Tausch connected on a pair of field goals 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

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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 or more yards:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (413)
 Had 300 or more yards:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (300)
 Had 40 or more pass attempts:at Michigan, 2009 (42)
 Had 30-39 pass attempts:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (31)
 Had 25-29 pass completions:at Michigan, 2009 (25)
 Had 20-24 pass completions:vs. Michigan State, 2009 (22)
 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. Nevada, 2009 (Michael Floyd - 189)
 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. Nevada, 2009 (510)
 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:vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (83)

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. Michigan State, 2009 (33)
 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. Michigan State, 2009 (30)
 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. Michigan State, 2009 (25)
 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. Pittsburgh, 2008 (L, 33-36)

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. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (401)
 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. Michigan State, 2009 (31)
 Completed 30 or more passes:Jimmy Clausen at North Carolina, 2008 (31)
 Completed 20-29 passes:Jimmy Clausen vs. Michigan State, 2009 (22)
 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. Nevada, 2009 (70)
 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. Michigan State, 2009 (7)
 Had 200 or more yards receiving:Maurice Stovall vs. BYU, 2005 (207)
 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:
Jarrior 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)
Kyle McCarthy vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (15)
 Recorded 10-14 tackles:Kyle McCarthy vs. San Diego State, 2008 (14)

Special Teams

Scored 15 or more points kicking:Brandon Walker vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (15)
 Scored 10-14 points kicking:Brandon Walker vs. Syracuse, 2008 (11)
 Kicked five or more field goals:
Nicholas Setta vs. Washington State, 2003 (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)
Stanford, 1997 (322)
 Had 300-399 yards:Michigan State, 2008 (203)
 Had 200-299 yards:Air Force, 2007 (63)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts:USC, 2005 (5)
 Had five or more rush TDs:Navy, 2007 (4)
 Had four rush TDs:Stanford, 1997
 Had two or more players with 100 rush yards in a game:(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:Michigan State, 2009 (40)

The Last Time

Had 30 or more pass completions: Boston College, 2007 (32)
 Had five or more passing TDs: USC, 2004 (5)
 Had four passing TDs: USC, 2007 (4)
 Had three passing TDs: Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (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: Michigan State, 2009 (459)
 Had 80 or more plays: Boston College, 2007 (83)
 Had 75-79 plays: Pittsburgh, 2008 (77)

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: Michigan State, 2009 (33)
 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: Michigan State, 2009 (27)
 Had 10 or more penalties: Boston College, 2007 (15)
 Had 100 or more yards in penalties: San Diego State, 2008 (100)
 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: Brandon Minor, Michigan, 2009 (111)
 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: Matt Ryan, Boston College, 2007 (49)
 Completed 30 or more passes: Matt Ryan, Boston College, 2007 (32)
 Completed 20-29 passes: Kirk Cousins Michigan State, 2009 (23)
 Threw five or more TDs: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (5)
 Threw four TDs: Mark Sanchez, USC, 2007 (4)
 Threw three TDs: Ryan Mallett, Michigan, 2007 (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: Desmond Tardy, Purdue, 2008 (10)
 Caught seven to nine passes: B.J. Cunningham, Michigan State, 2009 (7)
 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: Mark Dell, Michigan State, 2009 (121)
 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:

..... Tate Forcier, Michigan, 2009 (1 rushing, 2 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: Bruce Carter, North Carolina, 2008 (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: Glenn Winston, Michigan State, 2009 (154)

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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	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
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
72.0	vs. Navy (18-25)	10.28.06

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
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
336	at Michigan	9.12.09

most passing ypa (min. 10 att.)

16.6	Nevada (20-332)	9.5.09
14.8	vs. Hawai'i (28-413)	12.24.08
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
8.9	Tennessee (33-295)	11.5.05
8.9	at Michigan State (36-319)	9.23.06
8.9	Michigan State (34-304)	9.19.09

most passing ypc (min. 5 comp.)

19.5	Nevada (17-332)	9.5.09
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
14.75	Tennessee (20-295)	11.5.05

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	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
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
170.3	at Michigan State	9.23.06

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	29	Navy	11.12.05	4	Syracuse	11.22.08	34	Boston College	10.13.07
80	Duke (48r,32p)	11.17.07	29	Stanford	10.7.06	4	Stanford	10.4.08	34	at Stanford	11.26.05
80	UCLA (35r,45p)	10.21.06	28	USC	11.15.05	4	at Stanford	11.24.07	highest avg. per punt return (min. 2 ret.)		
most total offense yards gained			27	at Michigan	9.12.09	4	Air Force	11.10.07	39.3	Tennessee (3-118)	11.5.05
663	at Stanford (231r,432p)	11.26.05	27	at North Carolina	10.11.08	4	USC	10.20.07	23.5	at Penn State (2-47)	9.8.07
621	at Purdue (153r,468p)	10.1.05	27	BYU	10.22.05	4	at Michigan	9.15.07	21.8	USC (4-87)	11.15.05
594	Michigan State (107r,487p)	9.17.05	27	Navy	11.3.07	4	UCLA	10.21.06	18.5	Navy (2-37)	11.3.07
560	at Washington (233r,327p)	9.24.05	fewest first downs in a game			4	at Michigan	9.10.05	16.8	North Carolina (5-84)	11.4.06
511	BYU (44r,467p)	10.22.05	4	at USC	11.29.08	most fourth down conversions			16.0	at Stanford (4-64)	11.24.07
510	Nevada (178r,332p)	9.5.09	9	Michigan State	9.22.07	6	Navy	11.3.07	15.5	at Washington (2-31)	9.24.05
505	Navy (221r,284p)	11.12.05	9	at Penn State	9.8.07	4	at Purdue	9.29.07	14.7	at Boston College (3-44)	11.8.08
502	at Pittsburgh (275r,227p)	9.3.05	10	USC	10.20.07	4	UCLA	10.21.06	13.7	San Diego State (3-41)	9.6.08
490	at Michigan (154r, 336p)	9.12.09	10	at Michigan	9.15.07	4	Penn State	9.9.06	13.1	vs. Navy (7-92)	11.15.08
478	vs. Hawai'i (65r,413p)	12.24.08	12	at UCLA	10.6.07	3	Purdue	9.27.08	most kick returns		
highest average gain per play			13	Georgia Tech	9.1.07	3	vs. Navy	10.28.06	8	Georgia Tech	9.1.07
8.4	Nevada (61-510)	9.5.09	13	at Michigan State	9.23.06	3	Michigan State	9.17.05	8	at Purdue	9.29.07
8.3	at Air Force (46-383)	11.11.06	14	Michigan	9.13.08	2	Syracuse	11.22.08	7	at North Carolina	10.11.08
8.0	BYU (64-511)	10.22.05	14	Boston College	10.13.07	2	at Washington	10.25.08	7	Michigan	9.16.06
7.7	vs. Hawai'i (62-478)	12.24.08	14	Michigan	9.16.06	2	Stanford	10.4.08	7	at USC	11.25.06
7.6	vs. Navy (62-471)	10.28.06	14	Tennessee	11.5.05	2	Air Force	11.10.07	6	Air Force	11.10.07
7.5	at Stanford (88-663)	11.26.05	most time of possession			2	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	6	vs. LSU	1.3.07
7.2	Navy (70-505)	11.12.05	38:40	USC	11.15.05	2	Syracuse	11.19.05	5	Michigan State	9.19.09
7.0	at Purdue (89-621)	10.1.05	38:01	Purdue	9.30.06	2	at Michigan State	9.23.06	5	Syracuse	11.22.08
6.9	at Michigan State (53-366)	9.23.06	37:28	at Washington	10.25.08	2	Purdue	9.30.06	5	Pittsburgh	11.1.08
6.8	at Michigan (72-490)	9.12.09	36:56	at Washington	9.24.05	2	Georgia Tech	9.1.07	5	at Michigan State	9.20.08
most all-purpose yards gained			36:03	at Purdue	10.1.05	TEAM RECORDS - SPECIAL TEAMS			5	Navy	11.3.07
794	at Stanford	11.26.05	35:49	Michigan State	9.17.05	most punts			5	USC	10.20.07
716	Michigan State	9.17.05	35:35	Duke	11.17.07	10	USC	10.20.07	5	Michigan State	9.22.07
698	BYU	10.22.05	35:25	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	10	at Penn State	9.8.07	5	at Michigan	9.15.07
683	at Purdue	10.1.05	35:26	Purdue	9.27.08	9	at UCLA	10.6.07	5	BYU	10.22.05
646	North Carolina	11.4.06	35:33	vs. Navy	11.15.08	9	at Michigan	9.10.05	most kick return yards		
642	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08	least time of possession			9	Michigan State	9.22.07	158	Michigan	9.16.06
627	Purdue	9.27.08	20:57	Boston College	10.13.07	9	Michigan State	9.22.07	147	at Michigan State	9.20.08
622	at Washington	9.24.05	21:25	at Air Force	11.11.06	8	at USC	11.29.08	142	at USC	11.25.06
605	Tennessee	11.5.05	24:21	at Michigan State	9.23.06	7	at Boston College	11.8.08	133	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
605	Michigan State	9.19.09	25:45	at Stanford	11.24.07	7	at Michigan	9.15.07	133	at Michigan	9.15.07
most all-purpose attempts			25:54	Air Force	11.10.07	7	Georgia Tech	9.1.07	132	at Purdue	9.29.07
87	Navy	11.3.07	25:59	at USC	11.28.08	7	UCLA	10.21.06	131	Navy	11.3.07
85	at Stanford	11.26.05	26:00	at Penn State	9.8.07	7	Michigan	9.16.06	128	vs. LSU	1.3.07
84	at Purdue	10.1.05	26:04	Michigan	9.16.06	7	at Michigan State	9.23.06	125	Michigan State	9.19.09
81	USC	11.15.05	26:15	at Michigan State	9.20.08	most punt returns			120	at North Carolina	10.11.08
79	Michigan State	9.19.09	26:16	at Michigan	9.15.07	7	vs. Navy	11.15.08	highest avg. per kick return (min. 2 ret.)		
78	Michigan State	9.17.05	most third down conversions			6	at Stanford	11.26.05	44.3	vs. Hawai'i (3-133)	12.24.08
76	vs. Navy	11.15.08	10	at North Carolina	10.11.08	6	Stanford	11.24.07	39.5	at Georgia Tech (2-79)	9.2.06
76	at Washington	9.24.05	10	at Purdue	10.1.05	5	North Carolina	11.4.06	33.3	at Michigan (3-100)	9.12.09
76	Purdue	9.30.06	10	USC	11.15.05	4	USC	11.15.05	31.0	at Purdue (2-62)	10.1.05
72	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	10	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	4	at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	29.4	at Michigan State (5-147)	9.20.08
72	at Michigan	9.12.09	10	Duke	11.17.07	3	at Washington	10.25.08	27.5	North Carolina (4-110)	11.4.06
most touchdowns scored			9	Navy	11.3.07	3	at Boston College	11.8.08	26.6	at Michigan (5-133)	9.15.07
7	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08	9	Navy	11.12.05	3	at Michigan State	9.20.08	26.3	Purdue (4-105)	9.27.08
7	at Purdue	10.1.05	9	vs. Ohio State	1.2.06	3	San Diego State	9.6.08	26.2	Navy (5-131)	11.3.07
7	BYU	10.22.05	8	vs. LSU	1.3.07	3	USC	10.20.07	25.3	at Penn State (4-101)	9.8.07
6	Navy	11.3.07	8	vs. LSU	1.3.07	3	Boston College	10.13.07	TEAM RECORDS - DEFENSE		
6	Army	11.18.06	8	North Carolina	11.4.06	3	at Michigan	9.15.07	most points allowed		
6	at Air Force	11.11.06	8	BYU	11.12.05	3	Army	11.18.06	47	Michigan	9.16.06
6	North Carolina	11.4.06	8	at Stanford	11.26.05	3	Tennessee	11.5.05	46	Navy	11.3.07
6	Navy	11.12.05	8	Purdue	9.30.06	3	Syracuse	11.19.05	44	Michigan State	9.17.05
6	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	fewest third down conversions			3	Duke	11.17.07	44	at USC	11.25.06
6	at Michigan State	9.23.06	1	at Michigan State	9.23.06	most punt return yards			41	vs. LSU	1.3.07
most first downs in a game			2	at USC	11.29.08	118	Tennessee	11.5.05	41	Air Force	11.10.07
33	at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	2	at Penn State	9.8.07	92	vs. Navy	11.15.08	38	at Michigan	9.12.09
33	Purdue	9.30.06	2	Michigan	9.16.06	87	USC	11.15.05	38	at USC	11.29.08
32	at Purdue	10.1.05	3	vs. Navy	11.15.08	84	North Carolina	11.4.06	38	at Michigan	9.15.07
31	Michigan State	9.17.05	3	Michigan	9.13.08	64	at Stanford	11.24.07	38	USC	10.20.07
31	at Washington	9.24.05	3	San Diego State	9.6.08	47	at Penn State	9.8.07	most points allowed (quarter)		
30	at Stanford	11.26.05	3	at UCLA	10.6.07	44	at Boston College	11.8.08	21 (2nd)	at Michigan	9.15.07
			3	at Air Force	11.11.06	41	San Diego State	9.6.08			
			4	vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08	37	Navy	11.3.07			

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20 (1st) Michigan	9.16.06	0 (4th) at Boston College	11.8.08	3 (1st) at Air Force	11.11.06	2 at USC	11.29.08
17 (2nd) at USC	11.29.08	0 (2nd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	3 (1st) Army	11.18.06	2 Pittsburgh	11.1.08
17 (1st) Michigan State	9.23.06	0 (3rd) at Washington	10.25.08	margin of defeat			
17 (4th) Stanford	11.26.05	0 (2nd) at Washington	10.25.08	38 at Michigan	9.15.07	2 at North Carolina	10.11.08
16 (4th) USC	11.25.06	0 (3rd) at Washington	10.25.08	38 USC	10.20.07	2 at Michigan State	9.20.08
14 (2nd) Michigan State	9.19.09	0 (1st) Stanford	10.4.08	35 at USC	11.29.08	2 Michigan State	9.17.05
14 (4th) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (3rd) Stanford	10.4.08	30 Georgia Tech	9.1.07	2 at Purdue	10.1.05
14 (1st) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (4th) Purdue	9.27.08	27 vs. LSU	1.3.07	2 Navy	11.12.05
14 (4th) Syracuse	11.22.08	0 (3rd) Michigan	9.13.08	26 Michigan	9.16.06	2 vs. Ohio State	1.2.06
14 (3rd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	0 (4th) Michigan	9.13.08	21 at Penn State	9.8.07	2 at Penn State	9.8.07
14 (4th) Stanford	10.4.08	0 (1st) San Diego State	9.6.08	20 at USC	11.25.06	2 at Michigan	9.15.07
14 (4th) Georgia Tech	9.1.07	0 (4th) San Diego State	9.6.08	17 at Boston College	11.8.08	2 Boston College	10.13.07
14 (1st) Michigan State	9.22.07	0 (3rd) at Pittsburgh	9.3.05	17 Michigan State	9.22.07	2 Air Force	11.10.07
14 (3rd) Michigan State	9.22.07	0 (1st) at Michigan	9.10.05	17 Air Force	11.10.07	2 at Stanford	11.24.07
14 (3rd) Boston College	10.13.07	0 (3rd) at Michigan	9.10.05	most rushing yards allowed			
14 (3rd) USC	10.20.07	0 (4th) Michigan State	9.17.05	289 at Michigan (61)	9.15.07	0 Nevada	9.5.09
14 (2nd) Navy	11.3.07	0 (1st) at Washington	9.24.05	285 Air Force (63)	11.10.07	0 vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
14 (3rd) Air Force	11.10.07	0 (3rd) at Washington	9.24.05	275 vs. Ohio State (36)	1.2.06	0 at Boston College	11.8.08
14 (1st) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (1st) at Purdue	10.1.05	271 vs. Navy (56)	10.28.06	0 at Washington	10.25.08
14 (3rd) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (2nd) at Purdue	10.1.05	259 Georgia Tech (43)	9.1.07	0 at Michigan	9.10.05
14 (4th) Washington	9.24.05	0 (2nd) USC	10.8.05	257 Navy (66)	11.3.07	0 Syracuse	11.19.05
14 (3rd) Purdue	10.1.05	0 (2nd) BYU	10.22.05	248 at Michigan State (43)	9.23.06	0 Stanford	11.26.05
14 (4th) Purdue	10.1.05	0 (4th) BYU	10.22.05	245 vs. LSU (37)	1.3.07	0 at Georgia Tech	9.2.06
14 (1st) USC	10.15.05	0 (4th) Tennessee	11.5.05	239 Navy (58)	11.12.05	0 Stanford	10.7.06
14 (2nd) Ohio State	1.2.06	0 (2nd) Navy	11.12.05	227 USC (36)	10.20.07	0 UCLA	10.21.06
14 (4th) Penn State	9.9.06	0 (2nd) Syracuse	11.19.05	fewest rushing yards allowed			
14 (2nd) Michigan	9.16.06	0 (3rd) Syracuse	11.19.05	-11 at Stanford (25)	11.26.05	0 at Air Force	11.11.06
14 (2nd) Michigan State	9.23.06	0 (3rd) Stanford	11.26.05	26 at Washington (23)	10.25.08	0 Army	11.18.06
14 (2nd) UCLA	10.21.06	0 (3rd) at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	26 UCLA (28)	10.21.06	0 Michigan State	9.22.07
14 (2nd) Navy	10.28.06	0 (4th) at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	31 North Carolina (25)	11.4.06	0 at UCLA	10.6.07
14 (1st) USC	11.25.06	0 (1st) Penn State	9.9.06	32 vs. Hawai'i (19)	12.24.08	highest completion % allowed (min. 10 att.)	
14 (1st) LSU	1.3.07	0 (2nd) Penn State	9.9.06	41 at Washington (22)	9.24.05	73.7 at Air Force (14-19)	11.11.06
most points allowed (half)				58 Army (36)	11.18.06	69.7 at Michigan (23-33)	9.12.09
34 (1st) Michigan	9.16.06	0 (3rd) Purdue	9.30.06	71 San Diego State	9.6.08	69.7 at USC (23-33)	11.29.08
31 (1st) at Michigan State	9.23.06	0 (2nd) Stanford	10.7.06	72 Stanford (31)	10.7.06	69.6 Michigan (16-23)	9.13.08
31 (1st) at Michigan	9.15.07	0 (3rd) Stanford	10.7.06	75 BYU (34)	10.22.05	67.9 vs. Ohio State (19-28)	1.2.06
28 (2nd) at Purdue	10.1.05	0 (1st) UCLA	10.21.06	highest avg. per rush allowed (min. 20)			
24 (1st) at USC	11.29.08	0 (3rd) UCLA	10.21.06	7.64 vs. Ohio State (36-275)	1.2.06	65.3 Boston College (32-49)	10.13.07
24 (1st) Michigan State	9.17.05	0 (1st) vs. Navy	10.28.06	6.83 at Purdue (24-164)	10.1.05	65.0 Michigan State (26-40)	9.19.09
24 (2nd) Air Force	11.10.07	0 (3rd) vs. Navy	10.28.06	6.62 vs. LSU (37-245)	1.3.07	64.3 Stanford (29-40)	10.4.08
23 (2nd) USC	11.25.06	0 (4th) vs. Navy	10.28.06	6.31 USC (36-227)	10.20.07	63.9 at Stanford (23-36)	11.26.05
23 (1st) Purdue	9.29.07	0 (4th) North Carolina	11.4.06	6.02 Georgia Tech (43-259)	9.1.07	63.6 vs. Hawai'i (28-44)	12.24.08
21 (2nd) at Michigan	9.12.09	0 (2nd) at Air Force	11.11.06	5.76 at Michigan State (43-248)	9.23.06	lowest completion % allowed (min. 10 att.)	
21 (2nd) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	0 (2nd) Army	11.18.06	5.65 USC (31-175)	10.15.05	21.4 vs. Navy (3-14)	11.15.08
21 (1st) Ohio State	1.2.06	0 (3rd) Army	11.18.06	5.30 at USC (33-175)	11.29.08	38.1 Army (8-21)	11.18.06
21 (1st) USC	11.25.06	0 (4th) at Michigan	9.15.07	5.28 Nevada (29-153)	9.5.09	40.0 Navy (4-10)	11.12.05
21 (1st) LSU	1.3.07	0 (4th) Michigan State	9.22.07	5.00 at Michigan (38-190)	9.12.09	40.6 Tennessee (13-32)	11.5.05
21 (2nd) USC	10.20.07	0 (3rd) at UCLA	10.6.07	lowest avg. per rush allowed (min. 20)			
fewest points allowed				0 (4th) Boston College	10.13.07	40.9 Syracuse (9-22)	11.19.05
0 Nevada	9.5.09	0 (1st) Navy	11.3.07	0 (1st) Duke	11.17.07	42.1 at UCLA (16-38)	10.6.07
6 at UCLA	10.6.07	0 (1st) Duke	11.17.07	0 (2nd) Duke	11.17.07	43.2 at Michigan (19-44)	9.10.05
7 at Washington	10.25.08	0 (2nd) Duke	11.17.07	0 (3rd) Duke	11.17.07	43.8 at Michigan (7-16)	9.15.07
7 Duke	11.17.07	0 (3rd) at Stanford	11.24.07	0 (4th) at Stanford	11.24.07	44.0 at Washington (11-25)	10.25.08
9 Army	11.18.06	0 (4th) at Stanford	11.24.07	most pass yards allowed			
10 Syracuse	11.19.05	fewest points allowed (half)					
10 at Michigan	9.10.05	0 (1st) Nevada	9.5.09	5 (1st) USC	10.15.05	408 at Washington	9.24.05
10 at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	0 (2nd) Nevada	9.5.09	4 Navy	11.3.07	359 Purdue	9.27.08
13 San Diego State	9.6.08	0 (1st) at Washington	10.25.08	3 vs. Navy	11.15.08	354 Michigan State	9.19.09
14 vs. Navy	10.28.06	0 (2nd) Michigan	9.13.08	3 vs. LSU	1.3.07	350 at Purdue	10.1.05
14 at Stanford	11.24.07	0 (1st) at Purdue	10.1.05	3 Georgia Tech	9.1.07	347 at Stanford	11.26.05
fewest points allowed (quarter)				2 Michigan State	9.19.09	346 North Carolina	11.4.06
0 (1st) Nevada	9.5.09	0 (2nd) at Georgia Tech	9.2.06	2 at UCLA	9.12.09	342 vs. Ohio State	1.2.05
0 (2nd) Nevada	9.5.09	0 (1st) Penn State	9.2.06	327 Michigan State	9.17.05	326 vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08
0 (3rd) Nevada	9.5.09	0 (2nd) vs. Navy	10.28.06	319 at Michigan State	9.23.06	fewest pass yards allowed	
0 (4th) Nevada	9.5.09	3 (1st) Pittsburgh	11.1.08	most rushing TDs allowed			
0 (1st) vs. Hawai'i	12.24.08	3 (1st) at Michigan	9.10.05	5 USC	10.15.05	43 vs. Navy	10.28.06
0 (3rd) Syracuse	11.22.08	3 (1st) at Washington	9.24.05	4 Navy	11.3.07	64 vs. Navy	11.15.08
0 (3rd) Syracuse	11.22.08	3 (1st) at Washington	9.24.05	3 vs. Navy	11.15.08	fewest pass yards allowed	
0 (1st) vs. Navy	11.15.08	3 (1st) Syracuse	11.19.05	3 vs. LSU	1.3.07	43 vs. Navy	10.28.06
0 (3rd) vs. Navy	11.15.08	3 (1st) Stanford	10.7.06	2 Georgia Tech	9.1.07	64 vs. Navy	11.15.08
		3 (2nd) Stanford	10.7.06	2 Michigan State	9.19.09		
		3 (2nd) UCLA	10.21.06	2 at Michigan	9.12.09		

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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)

most passing completions

33	Brady Quinn, Michigan State (9.17.05)
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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	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)

most receiving yards

207	Maurice Stovall, BYU (10.22.05)
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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
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)

16.6	Jimmy Clausen, Nevada (9.5.09)	19-316
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 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)

INDIVIDUAL RECORDS - SPECIAL TEAMS

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
11.3	Tom Zbikowski, Boston College (10.13.07)	3-34
11.5	Golden Tate, Michigan State (9.19.09)	2-23

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, 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)



#23 Notre Dame 35 • Nevada 0
Sept. 5, 2009 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium



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
Notre Dame	7	21	7	0	35

Record: (0-1)
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
Michigan	14	3	7	14	38

Record: (1-1)
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 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 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 Parris 5 yd pass from Allen (Tausch, Nick 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; Gannt 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 2-3; 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.

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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

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Notre Dame Overall Team Statistics (as of Sep 19, 2009)
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Team Statistics	ND	OPP
SCORING	102	68
Points Per Game	34.0	22.7
FIRST DOWNS	72	63
Rushing	33	23
Passing	35	34
Penalty	4	6
RUSHING YARDAGE	465	448
Yards gained rushing	517	511
Yards lost rushing	52	63
Rushing Attempts	108	92
Average Per Rush	4.3	4.9
Average Per Game	155.0	149.3
TDs Rushing	3	4
PASSING YARDAGE	972	748
Att-Comp-Int	96-66-1	100-62-4
Average Per Pass	10.1	7.5
Average Per Catch	14.7	12.1
Average Per Game	324.0	249.3
TDs Passing	10	4
TOTAL OFFENSE	1437	1196
Total Plays	204	192
Average Per Play	7.0	6.2
Average Per Game	479.0	398.7
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	9-248	19-444
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	5-50	0-0
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	4-63	1-0
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	27.6	23.4
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	10.0	0.0
INT RETURN AVERAGE	15.8	0.0
FUMBLES-LOST	2-1	5-2
PENALTIES-Yards	23-209	16-148
Average Per Game	69.7	49.3
PUNTS-Yards	10-406	13-548
Average Per Punt	40.6	42.2
Net punt average	38.6	38.3
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	33:12	26:48
3RD-DOWN Conversions	17/37	12/35
3rd-Down Pct	46%	34%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	3/4	2/3
4th-Down Pct	75%	67%
SACKS BY-Yards	4-30	2-16
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	13	9
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	4-5	2-5
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	1-1
RED-ZONE SCORES	9-10 90%	6-11 55%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	7-10 70%	6-11 55%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	10-11 91%	8-9 89%
ATTENDANCE	161590	110278
Games/Avg Per Game	2/80795	1/110278
Neutral Site Games		0/0

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	oT	Total
Notre Dame	23	41	17	21	0	102
Opponents	17	17	13	21	0	68

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Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
ALLEN, Armando	3	59	339	13	326	5.5	3	24	108.7
GRAY, Jonas	3	16	80	6	74	4.6	0	19	24.7
HUGHES, Robert	3	7	20	0	20	2.9	0	8	6.7
RIDDICK, Theo	3	6	20	1	19	3.2	0	9	6.3
ALDRIDGE, James	1	3	13	0	13	4.3	0	9	13.0
KAMARA, Duval	3	1	10	0	10	10.0	0	10	3.3
TATE, Golden	3	3	8	1	7	2.3	0	5	2.3
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	3	11	27	27	0	0.0	0	9	0.0
TEAM	1	2	0	4	-4	-2.0	0	0	-4.0
Total	3	108	517	52	465	4.3	3	24	155.0
Opponents	3	92	511	63	448	4.9	4	32	149.3

Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	3	188.55	62-91-0	68.1	951	9	88	317.0
CRIST, Dayne	2	58.60	3-4-1	75.0	16	0	15	8.0
ALLEN, Armando	3	472.00	1-1-0	100.0	5	1	5	1.7
Total	3	186.09	66-96-1	68.8	972	10	88	324.0
Opponents	3	130.03	62-100-4	62.0	748	4	57	249.3

Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
TATE, Golden	3	19	301	15.8	3	54	100.3
FLOYD, Michael	3	13	358	27.5	5	88	119.3
RUDOLPH, Kyle	3	13	162	12.5	1	52	54.0
ALLEN, Armando	3	7	55	7.9	0	26	18.3
KAMARA, Duval	3	4	29	7.2	0	10	9.7
PARRIS, Robby	3	4	26	6.5	1	10	8.7
EVANS, Shaquelle	3	2	15	7.5	0	8	5.0
GRAY, Jonas	3	2	12	6.0	0	7	4.0
WALKER, Deion	1	1	15	15.0	0	15	15.0
HUGHES, Robert	3	1	-1	-1.0	0	0	-0.3
Total	3	66	972	14.7	10	88	324.0
Opponents	3	62	748	12.1	4	57	249.3

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
TATE, Golden	3	21	7.0	0	23
HERRING, Ray	1	5	5.0	0	5
GOODMAN, John	1	24	24.0	0	24
Total	5	50	10.0	0	24
Opponents	0	0	0.0	0	0

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
McCARTHY, Kyle	3	63	21.0	0	23
BLANTON, Robert	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	4	63	15.8	0	23
Opponents	1	0	0.0	0	0

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
RIDDICK, Theo	6	153	25.5	0	38
GALLUP, Barry	3	95	31.7	0	52
Total	9	248	27.6	0	52
Opponents	19	444	23.4	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	0	0	0.0	0	0

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Scoring	td	fg	PAT				dpx	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass			
FLOYD, Michael	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	
TAUSCH, Nick	-	4-5	10-11	-	-	-	-	22	
ALLEN, Armando	3	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	20	
TATE, Golden	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	
RUDOLPH, Kyle	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
PARRIS, Robby	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	-	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	0	
Total	13	4-5	10-11	1-1	-	0-1	-	102	
Opponents	9	2-5	8-9	-	-	-	-	68	

Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
CLAUSEN, Jimmy	3	102	0	951	951	317.0
ALLEN, Armando	3	60	326	5	331	110.3
GRAY, Jonas	3	16	74	0	74	24.7
HUGHES, Robert	3	7	20	0	20	6.7
RIDDICK, Theo	3	6	19	0	19	6.3
CRIST, Dayne	2	4	0	16	16	8.0
ALDRIDGE, James	1	3	13	0	13	13.0
KAMARA, Duval	3	1	10	0	10	3.3
TATE, Golden	3	3	7	0	7	2.3
TEAM	1	2	-4	0	-4	-4.0
Total	3	204	465	972	1437	479.0
Opponents	3	192	448	748	1196	398.7

Field Goals	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
TAUSCH, Nick	4-5	80.0	0-0	1-2	1-1	2-2	0-0	46	0

FG Sequence	Notre Dame	Opponents
Nevada	-	38
Michigan	28,(34),(42)	(39),26
Michigan State	(22),(46)	(43),51

Numbers in (parentheses) indicate field goal was made.

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
MAUST, Eric	10	406	40.6	49	1	5	3	0	0
Total	10	406	40.6	49	1	5	3	0	0
Opponents	13	548	42.2	54	0	4	6	3	0

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	retn	net	ydln
TAUSCH, Nick	20	1230	61.5	0	0			
Total	20	1230	61.5	0	0	23.4	39.3	30
Opponents	12	796	66.3	3	0	27.6	40.7	29

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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>
ALLEN, Armand	3	326	55	0	0	0	381	127.0
FLOYD, Michael	3	0	358	0	0	0	358	119.3
TATE, Golden	3	7	301	21	0	0	329	109.7
RIDDICK, Theo	3	19	0	0	153	0	172	57.3
RUDOLPH, Kyle	3	0	162	0	0	0	162	54.0
GALLUP, Barry	2	0	0	0	95	0	95	47.5
GRAY, Jonas	3	74	12	0	0	0	86	28.7
McCARTHY, Kyl	3	0	0	0	0	63	63	21.0
KAMARA, Duval	3	10	29	0	0	0	39	13.0
PARRIS, Robby	3	0	26	0	0	0	26	8.7
GOODMAN, Joh	2	0	0	24	0	0	24	12.0
HUGHES, Rober	3	20	-1	0	0	0	19	6.3
EVANS, Shaque	3	0	15	0	0	0	15	5.0
WALKER, Deion	1	0	15	0	0	0	15	15.0
ALDRIDGE, Jam	1	13	0	0	0	0	13	13.0
HERRING, Ray	3	0	0	5	0	0	5	1.7
TEAM	1	-4	0	0	0	0	-4	-4.0
Total	3	465	972	50	248	63	1798	599.3
Opponents	3	448	748	0	444	0	1640	546.7

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Notre Dame Overall Defensive Statistics (as of Sep 19, 2009)
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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	3	19	8	27	1.0-1	.	3-63	2	.	.	.	
22	SMITH, Harrison	3	14	10	24	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.
58	SMITH, Brian	3	10	5	15	3.0-19	1-11	.	.	1	.	.	
49	SMITH, Toryan	3	7	3	10	3.5-13	1-10	.	.	.	1-5	.	
12	BLANTON, Robert	3	6	4	10	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	.
2	WALLS, Darrin	3	6	3	9	1.0-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	
9A	JOHNSON, Ethan	3	4	5	9	1.0-4	.	.	.	.	.	1
95	WILLIAMS, Ian	3	4	4	8	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	.
45	FLEMING, Darius	3	5	2	7	4.0-7	1-4	.	.	1	.	1	
90	RYAN, John	3	3	4	7	1.0-5	1-5	.	1	.	.	.	
41	SMITH, Scott	3	4	3	7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	BROWN, Sergio	3	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
89	LEWIS-MOORE, Kapro	3	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	1
5A	TE'O, Manti	3	3	2	5	1.0-2	.	.	.	.	.	.
6	HERRING, Ray	3	5	.	5	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	
8	McNEIL, Raeshon	3	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	SLAUGHTER, Jamoris	3	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
17	MOTTA, Zeke	3	3	1	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	McDONALD, Anthony	3	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4	GRAY, Gary	2	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	GORDON, Leonard	3	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
98	CWYNAR, Sean	3	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37	ANELLO, Mike	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
46	FILER, Steve	3	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	CAVE, Braxston	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
56	NEAL, Kerry	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
Total		3	117	66	183	18-55	4-30	4-63	6	3	2-5	2	1
Opponents		3	111	106	217	15-47	2-16	1-0	7	2	1-0	1	.

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Notre Dame Team Game-by-Game (as of Sep 19, 2009)
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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
Opponents		108	465	3	24	66	972	10	88	66-96-1	972	10	88	9	248	0	52	5	50	0	24	1437
		92	448	4	32	62	748	4	57	62-100-4	748	4	57	19	444	1	94	0	0	0	0	1196

Games played: 3
 Avg per rush: 4.3
 Avg per catch: 14.7
 Pass efficiency: 186.09
 Kick ret avg: 27.6
 Punt ret avg: 10.0
 All purpose avg/game: 599.3
 Total offense avg/gm: 479.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts					
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	pts	
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
Opponents		117	66	183	18.0-55	4-30	2	2-5	4-63	3	6	1	10-11	1	0	0	0	102
		111	106	217	15.0-47	3-16	1	1-0	1-0	2	7	0	8-9	0	0	0	0	68

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
Opponents		10	406	40.6	49	0	1	5	0	3	4-5	46	0	20	1230	61.5	0	0
		13	548	42.2	54	0	0	4	3	6	2-5	43	0	12	796	66.3	3	0

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Notre Dame Opponent Game-by-Game (as of Sep 19, 2009)
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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
Notre Dame		92	448	4	32	62	748	4	57	62-100-4	748	4	57	19	444	1	94	0	0	0	0	1196
Notre Dame		108	465	3	24	66	972	10	88	66-96-1	972	10	88	9	248	0	52	5	50	0	24	1437

Games played: 3
 Avg per rush: 4.9
 Avg per catch: 12.1
 Pass efficiency: 130.03
 Kick ret avg: 23.4
 All purpose avg/game: 546.7
 Total offense avg/gm: 398.7

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts				saf	pts			
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv						
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
Notre Dame		111	106	217	15.0-47	3-16	1	1-0	1-0	2	7	0	8-9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	68
Notre Dame		117	66	183	18.0-55	4-30	2	2-5	4-63	3	6	1	10-11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	102

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
Notre Dame		13	548	42.2	54	0	0	4	3	6	2-5	43	0	12	796	66.3	3	0
Notre Dame		10	406	40.6	49	0	1	5	0	3	4-5	46	0	20	1230	61.5	0	0

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Notre Dame Game Superlatives (as of Sep 19, 2009)
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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)
Long Rush	24	ALLEN, Armando at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass attempts	42	CLAUSEN, Jimmy at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass completions	25	CLAUSEN, Jimmy at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Passing	336	CLAUSEN, Jimmy at Michigan (Sep 12, 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)
Yards Receiving	189	FLOYD, Michael vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
TD Receptions	3	FLOYD, Michael vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Long Reception	88	FLOYD, Michael vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Field Goals	2	TAUSCH, Nick at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2	TAUSCH, Nick vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Field Goal	46	TAUSCH, Nick vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Punts	4	MAUST, Eric at Michigan (Sep 12, 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	11	SMITH, Harrison at Michigan (Sep 12, 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)
Tackles For Loss	2.0	SMITH, Toryan vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	2.0	SMITH, Brian vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	2.0	FLEMING, Darius at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2.0	FLEMING, Darius vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 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)

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	41	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Yards Rushing	178	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Yards Per Rush	5.1	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
TD Rushes	1	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	1	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Pass attempts	42	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass completions	25	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Passing	336	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Yards Per Pass	16.6	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
TD Passes	4	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Total Plays	72	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Total Offense	510	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Yards Per Play	8.4	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Points	35	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Sacks By	2	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
	2	at Michigan (Sep 12, 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	1	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Interceptions By	2	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)

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OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	18	Taua, Vai, vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Yards Rushing	114	Taua, Vai, vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
TD Rushes	2	Caper, Larry, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Rush	32	Minor, Brandon, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Pass attempts	35	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 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	2	Forcier, Tate, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Long Pass	57	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Receptions	7	Cunningham, B., vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Yards Receiving	121	Dell, Mark, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 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	1	Olesnavage, J., at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	1	Swenson, Brett, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Long Field Goal	43	Swenson, Brett, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Punts	5	Langley, Brad, vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Punting Avg	50.0	Forcier, Tate, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Long Punt	54	Langley, Brad, vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Long Kickoff Return	94	Stonum, Darryl, at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Tackles	10	Johnson, J.M., vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Sacks	1.0	Gordon, Eric, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1.0	Pickelman, K., vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
	1.0	Worthy, Jerel, vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 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)
Interceptions	1	Robinson, T., vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)

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OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	38	at Michigan (Sep 12, 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)
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	2	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	2	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Total Plays	71	at Michigan (Sep 12, 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	2	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
First Downs	27	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Penalties	6	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
	6	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 2009)
Penalty Yards	59	at Michigan (Sep 12, 2009)
Turnovers	3	vs Nevada (Sep 05, 2009)
Interceptions By	1	vs Michigan State (Sep 19, 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	
	Notre Dame		17-37 45.9	3-7 42.9	3-8 37.5	4-8 50.0	7-14 50.0	0-0 0.0
	Opponents		12-35 34.3	3-8 37.5	1-8 12.5	4-9 44.4	4-10 40.0	0-0 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	
	Notre Dame		3-4 75.0	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	0-1 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0
	Opponents		2-3 66.7	0-0 0.0	1-2 50.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 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	
	Notre Dame	Total	99:35	25:36	26:13	19:42	28:04	0:00
		Avg.	33:11	8:32	8:44	6:34	9:21	0:00
	Opponents	Total	80:25	19:24	18:47	25:18	16:56	0:00
		Avg.	26:48	6:28	6:15	8:26	5:38	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
Totals			10	9	56	7	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	0	0
9 of 10 (90.0%)															

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
Totals			11	6	41	6	3	3	0	2	1	1	1	0	0
6 of 11 (54.5%)															