

# NOTRE DAME

# **FOOTBALL**

## GAME TWO POSTGAME NOTES

THE RECORD WHEN				
Stat	Kelly at ND Record (W-L)		2021 Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	61	13	1	0
Away	33	20	1	0
Neutral	9	7	0	0
In overtime	4	3	1	0
Coming off a loss	16	11	0	0
Coming off a win	64	23	1	0
Coming off an open date	9	2	0	0
vs. AP Top 25	22	21	0	0
Both teams are in the AP Top 25	18	18	0	0
Neither team is in the AP Top 25	22	14	0	0
Team is ranked higher	72	10	2	0
Opponent is ranked higher	8	14	0	0
vs. In-State Opponents	6	0	0	0
In August	2	0	0	0
In September	33	12	2	0
In October	32	8	0	0
In November	31	13	0	0
In December	5	3	0	0
In January	1	4	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	103	39	2	0
On NBC	59	13	0	0
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	23	14	1	0
On ACCN	1	0	0	0
On ESPN	7	6	0	0
On ESPN2	1	0	0	0
On CBS	4	3	0	0
On CBS Sports Network	0	1	0	0
On FOX	2	3	0	0
Morning Games (kicks off before noon)	0	1	0	0
Afternoon Games	65	18	1	0
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	38	20	1	0
Decided by three points or fewer	14	13	2	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	30	21	0	0
Scoring first	77	21	2	0
Opponent scores first	26	18	0	0
Leading at halftime	84	11	2	0
Tied at halftime	8	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	27	0	0

2-0 OVERALL

FIGHTING IRISH

AP rank: 8 Coaches rank: 7

**Head Coach:** Brian Kelly **Record:** 275-96-2

1-1 OVERALL

0-0



AP rank: N/A Coaches rank: N/A Head Coach: Jason Candle

**Record:** 39-22

**DATE:** Sep. 11, 2021 **LOCATION:** South Bend, IN **STADIUM:** Notre Dame Stadium

ATTENDANCE: 62,009

NOTRE DAME CAPTAINS: WR Avery Davis, S Kyle Hamilton, DL Kurt Hinish, OL Jarrett Patterson, DL Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa, LB Drew White and RB Kyren Williams

#### FIRST APPEARANCES AT ND:

Offense: QB Tyler Buchner, WR Deion Colzie

#### MISCELLANEOUS:

- Coin Toss: Jarrett Patterson, Kyren Williams and Kyle Hamilton represented the Irish for the coin toss. Notre Dame won the coin toss and elected to receive and Toledo defended the south end zone.
- **Brian Kelly** awarded the game ball to linebacker JD Bertrand. He led the Irish with 11 tackles and recovered the fumble with 25 seconds to seal the win.
- Kelly is now just one win away<sup>^</sup> from tying Knute Rockne (105) for most wins all-time as a head coach at Notre Dame

#### TEAM NOTES:

- The Irish won their 34th-consecutive game against an unranked opponent, a streak that dates back to the 2016 season.
- The Irish overcame a halftime deficit to win for the first time since 2019, when they beat Virginia, 35-20, after trailing, 17-14, at the half.
- With the win, Notre Dame extends its home winning streak to 25 games, the longest of its modern era.
- The home winning streak is the second-longest-active streak in the country behind Clemson (29).

### **OFFENSIVE NOTES:**

- Tight end Michael Mayer recorded his second touchdown of the season after hauling in a four-yard pass from Jack Coan on the opening drive. He has already tied his touchdown total from last season in just five quarters of action in 2021.
- In his first career snap, quarterback **Tyler Buchner** broke free for a 26-yard rush.
- Buchner also completed his first career pass on the drive, a 15-yard completion to Braden Lenzy.
- **Buchner** tallied his first career touchdown in the fourth quarter when he hit **Chris Tyree** for a 55-yard touchdown pass.
- **Tyree** set a career long with the 55-yard reception and had a career-best 63 receiving yards on the afternoon.
- Running back **Kyren Williams** ripped off a 43-yard rushing touchdown in the second quarter, the longest rush by an Irish player in 2021.
- Wide receiver Deion Colzie made his collegiate debut and hauled in his first career reception, a seven-yard reception in the second quarter.
- Mayer picked up his second touchdown of the game in the fourth quarter. It was his first career multi-touchdown game.

#### **DEFENSIVE NOTES:**

- Linebacker **JD Bertrand** led the Irish in tackles for the second straight week. He finished with 11 tackles against Toledo.
- Bertrand is the first Irish defender to have back-to-back games with 10 plus tackles since Alohi Gilman in 2018. Gilman had 10 tackles against Southern Cal and then 18 against Clemson in the College Football Playoff Semifinal game.
- **Bertrand** also set a career high in sacks with 1.0 and recovered his first career fumble on the final defensive play for the Irish.
- Cornerback **Cam Hart** set a career high with seven tackles.

Încludes 20 regular-season wins and two postseason appearances vacated under discretionary NCAA penalty.