



NOTRE DAME

FOOTBALL

GAME II POSTGAME NOTES

THE RECORD WHEN...

Stat	Kelly at ND Record (W-L)		2021 Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	66	14	6	1
Away	34	20	3	0
Neutral	10	7	1	0
In overtime	4	3	1	0
Coming off a loss	17	11	1	0
Coming off a win	71	23	7	1
Coming off an open date	10	2	1	0
vs. AP Top 25	23	22	1	1
Both teams are in the AP Top 25	18	19	1	1
Neither team is in the AP Top 25	22	14	0	0
Team is ranked higher	80	11	10	1
Opponent is ranked higher	8	15	0	1
vs. In-State Opponents	6	0	0	0
In August	2	0	0	0
In September	35	12	4	0
In October	35	9	3	1
In November	34	13	3	0
In December	5	3	0	0
In January	1	4	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	111	40	10	1
On NBC	64	14	5	1
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	24	14	2	0
On ACCN	2	0	1	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	3	3	1	0
Morning Games (kicks off before noon)	1	1	1	0
Afternoon Games	68	19	4	1
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	42	20	5	0
Decided by three points or fewer	15	13	3	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	30	21	0	0
Scoring first	81	21	6	0
Opponent scores first	30	19	4	1
Leading at halftime	92	11	10	0
Tied at halftime	8	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	28	0	1

FIGHTING IRISH

10-1 OVERALL

AP rank: 6 Coaches rank: 6 CFP: 8

Head Coach: Brian Kelly
Record: 283*-97-2



vs.



3-8 OVERALL

2-6 ACC

AP rank: NR Coaches rank: NR CFP: NR

Head Coach: Geoff Collins
Record: 24-35

YELLOW JACKETS

DATE: November 20, 2021 **LOCATION:** Notre Dame, IN
ATTENDANCE: 70,011

STADIUM: Notre Dame Stadium

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 Cole Capen, WR Connor Ratigan
Defense: S Chase Love, CB Marcus Thorne, CB Mike Graves
Special Teams: K Josh Bryan

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Coin Toss:** Kyren Williams, Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa, Kurt Hinish and Drew White represented the Irish for the coin toss. Notre Dame won the toss and elected to receive. Georgia Tech defended the south endzone.
- Brian Kelly** awarded the game ball to the senior class.

TEAM NOTES:

- With the win, the Irish reached 10 wins for the fifth-consecutive season for the first time in program history.
- The Irish have won 41-straight games against unranked opponents. It is the longest active streak in the FBS.
- The Irish extended their ACC regular season winning-streak to 24 games with the win. 18 of those games were won by 10 points or more.
- Since 2017, Notre Dame is 28-1 against ACC opponents in the regular season.
- The Irish have won 15-straight games in the month of November dating back to the 2017 season.
- Notre Dame has won 26-consecutive games when they have scored 40 or more points. The Irish are 40-2 all-time under Kelly when they score 40 or more points.
- Notre Dame has won 35-straight games when allowing less than 20 points dating back to 2016.
- Notre Dame did not allow a touchdown for the third-straight game. It is the first time since 2012 that it has not allowed a touchdown in three-straight games (Michigan State, Michigan and Miami).
- With the win, the Irish improved to 31-2 at home over the past five seasons.
- The Irish scored 24 points in the first quarter, the most since 2017 when they scored 28 against Miami (OH).
- The Irish scored 45 points in the first half, the most since 2017 against Miami (OH) when they scored 45.
- Notre Dame held the Yellow Jackets scoreless in the first half. It was the first time the Irish held opponents scoreless in the first half in back-to-back games since 2015 against Wake Forest and Boston College.
- It was the fifth-largest shutout in Notre Dame history in the modern era. It is the largest since the Irish defeated Rutgers 62-0 in 1996.
- The Irish scored two defensive touchdowns in a game for the second time this season. It is the first season since 2002 that they had two games with two defensive touchdowns (Stanford and Purdue).
- Notre Dame has tallied 38 sacks so far this season. It is the most in a season in the **Brian Kelly** Era and the most since 2003 when they had 39.

OFFENSIVE NOTES:

- Running back **Kyren Williams** scampered in for a nine-yard rushing touchdown in the first quarter. It is his seventh-straight game with a rushing touchdown.
- He tallied his second rushing touchdown of the game in the second quarter, his third game this season with multiple rushing touchdowns.
- Williams** moved into a tie for seventh all-time in Notre Dame history for most total touchdowns in a single season (15).
- Williams** also moved into third for most career receptions by a running back (76) and fourth for most receptions by a running back in a single season (40).
- Tight end **Michael Mayer** hauled in a career-long 52-yard touchdown in the first quarter. He moved into second all-time for most touchdown receptions in a single season by a tight end (5).
- Mayer** moved into second all-time for most receptions by a tight end in a single season (55), third for most career receiving yards by a tight end (1,113) and fourth for most receiving yards in a single season by a tight end (863).
- Quarterback **Tyler Buchner** ripped off a career-long 68-yard run in the third quarter. It is the second-longest rush by an Irish player this season (**Kyren Williams** - 91 vs. UNC).
- Running back **Logan Diggs** had the first multi-touchdown game of his career with his third rushing touchdown of the season and first receiving touchdown.
- Running back **Audric Esteime** set personal-bests with six carries for 61 yards.

DEFENSIVE NOTES:

- Linebacker **Jack Kiser** had his second touchdown of the season after the 43-yard interception return in the first quarter. He is the first Irish defensive player with two touchdowns in a season since **Julian Love** in 2017.
- Defensive lineman **Myron Tagovailoa-Amosa** tallied his first career touchdown after the 70-yard fumble recovery for a touchdown in the second quarter. He is the third different Irish defensive player to score a touchdown this season.
- Linebacker **Isaiah Pryor** and defensive lineman **Alexander Ehrensberger** both recorded their first sacks of the season. The Irish have 15 different players with a sack this season.
- Defensive lineman **Isaiah Foskey** tallied his team-high fourth and fifth forced fumble against the Yellow Jackets.
- Foskey** recorded his team-high 10th sack of the season. He is now tied for fourth all-time in Notre Dame history for most sacks in a single season.
- Defensive lineman **Howard Cross III** set a career high with 2.0 sacks and 2.0 tackles-for-loss.
- Linebacker **Bo Bauer** tied a career high with a team-high nine tackles. It is the second straight week he has had nine tackles in a game.
- Pryor** tied a career high with seven tackles against the Yellow Jackets.

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES:

- Kicker **Jonathan Doerer** moved into fourth place all-time in Notre Dame history with 47 career field goals after his 41-yarder in the first quarter.
- Tagovailoa-Amosa** blocked a field goal at the end of the first half. He is the first Irish player to block a field goal since **Julian Okwara** against Bowling Green in 2019.