



NOTRE DAME

FOOTBALL

GAME EIGHT POSTGAME NOTES

THE RECORD WHEN...

Stat	Kelly at ND		2021	
	Record (W-L)		Record (W-L)	
Home (Includes Shamrock Series)	64	14	4	1
Away	33	20	2	0
Neutral	10	7	1	0
In overtime	4	3	1	0
Coming off a loss	17	11	1	0
Coming off a win	68	23	4	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	77	11	7	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	31	13	0	0
In December	5	3	0	0
In January	1	4	0	0
On TV (except GVSU regular season)	108	40	7	1
On NBC	62	14	3	1
On NBCSN	3	0	0	0
On ABC	23	14	1	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	66	19	2	1
Night Games (6 p.m. or later)	41	20	4	0
Decided by three points or fewer	15	13	3	0
Decided by seven points or fewer	30	21	0	0
Scoring first	79	21	4	0
Opponent scores first	29	19	3	1
Leading at halftime	89	11	7	0
Tied at halftime	8	1	0	0
Trailing at halftime	10	28	0	1

FIGHTING IRISH

7-1 OVERALL

AP rank: 11 Coaches rank: 11

Head Coach: Brian Kelly
Record: 280⁺-97-2



4-4 OVERALL

3-3 ACC

AP rank: NR Coaches rank: NR

Head Coach: Mack Brown
Record: 263-136-1

TAR HEELS

DATE: October 30, 2021 **LOCATION:** South Bend, IN **STADIUM:** Notre Dame Stadium
ATTENDANCE: 71,018

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 TIME STARTERS AT ND:
Defense: S DJ Brown

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Coin Toss:** Avery Davis, Kyren Williams, Jarrett Patterson and Kurt Hinish represented the Irish for the coin toss. North Carolina won the toss and elected to defer to the second half. Notre Dame elected to receive and the Tar Heels defended the north end zone.
- Brian Kelly** awarded the game ball to the offensive line. They led the Irish to 293 rushing yards as a team, the highest in any game this season.

TEAM NOTES:

- Notre Dame has won 10-straight night games at home dating back to the 2017 season.
- The Irish have won 38 straight-games against unranked opponents. It is the longest active streak in the FBS.
- Notre Dame has won 25-consecutive games when they have scored 40 or more points. The Irish are 39-2 all-time under Kelly when they score 40 or more points.
- The Irish extended their ACC regular season winning streak to 22 games with the win.
- Since 2017, Notre Dame is 26-1 against ACC opponents in the regular season.

OFFENSIVE NOTES:

- Running back **Kyren Williams** busted loose for a career-long 91-yard rushing touchdown in the fourth quarter. It was the longest rush by an Irish player since **Chris Tyree** had a 94-yard rush against Syracuse in 2020.
- The 91-yard rush was the longest rush given up in North Carolina program history.
- Williams** finished the game with a career-high 199 yards rushing. It was the most rushing yards by an Irish player since **Dexter Williams** ran for 202 against Florida State in 2018.
- It is the first time this season and the third time in his career that **Williams** rushed for 100 yards in two straight games.
- Wide receiver **Avery Davis** hauled in a touchdown in the first quarter for his third straight game with a receiving touchdown.
- Davis** finished the game with a team-high five receptions, which tied a career high.
- Tight end **Michael Mayer** had four receptions for 51 yards against the Tar Heels. He moved into ninth all-time in Notre Dame history for most receptions by a tight end in a single season (41).
- He also moved into 10th all-time in Notre Dame history for most receiving yards in a single season for a tight end (465). **Mayer** is also seventh all-time in Notre Dame history for most receiving yards by a tight end for his career (915).
- Quarterback **Jack Coan** busted free for a 21-yard rushing touchdown in the third quarter. It was his longest rush with the Irish and his first rushing touchdown with Notre Dame.
- Wide receiver **Lorenzo Styles** broke free for a career-long 40-yard reception in the third quarter. He finished the game with three receptions for 74 yards, both career-bests
- Freshman running back **Logan Diggs** tallied his first career rushing touchdown in the third quarter. He finished the game with 11 rushes for 42 yards, both career-best numbers.

DEFENSIVE NOTES:

- Defensive lineman **Isaiah Foskey** tallied a sack in the second quarter to bring his team-best total to 9.0 for the season. He has recorded a sack in seven of the eight games this season and moves into a tie for sixth all-time in Notre Dame history for most sacks in a single season.
- Defensive lineman **Jordan Botelho** recorded his first career sack in the fourth quarter. He is the ninth different player to tally a sack this season.
- Safety **DJ Brown** hauled in his second interception of the season in the fourth quarter. It was the 12th interception by the Irish this season.

SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES:

- Kicker **Jonathan Doerer** had a season high three made field goals and 14 total points in the win over North Carolina.