



ATHLETICS

FINAL SCORE

No. 21/21 Notre Dame (5-2) 48, No. 10/9 Southern Cal (6-0) 20

TEAM NOTES

- Notre Dame won the toss and deferred its choice to the second half. Southern Cal received and started the game defending the south end zone.
- Notre Dame improves to 60-38-5 all-time against Southern Cal, earns its fifth-straight win over the Trojans in Notre Dame Stadium and is now 29-14-1 all-time against SC at home.
- The Irish improved to 15-3-0 all-time on October 14.
- The 28-point victory is the most lopsided for the Irish over a top-10 ranked team since a 1995 38-10 victory over No. 5 Southern Cal.
- Notre Dame earns its 83rd victory over a top-10 ranked team and the first since last year's 35-14 win over No. 4 Clemson.

SUPERLATIVES

- Notre Dame intercepted Caleb Williams three times in the first half. Williams had only thrown two interceptions in a game once previously in his career - at Baylor on November 13, 2021.
- The three interceptions in the game tonight mark the second time this season the Irish have picked off three passes. Since 1996, the program has just five such seasons with games with three or more interceptions – 2021 (two), 2008 (three), 2003 (three), 2002 (two) and 1997 (two).
- Audric Estimé's two rushing touchdowns tonight moved his career total to 20, becoming the sixth Irish running back to reach 20 career rushing touchdowns since 1996: Autry Denson (35), Kyren Williams (26), Julius Jones (26), Darius Walker (23), Josh Adams (20) and Dexter Williams (20).
- JD Bertrand led the Irish with a game-high 11 tackles, which gives the Irish linebacker 39 tackles in the last four games.
- The Notre Dame defense sacked the quarterback six times this evening, the most for the team since the victory over California last season.



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FIRSTS

- Jordan Faison - career start and first career carry for 16 yards
- Boubacar Traore - career sack
- Jaylen Sneed - career sack
- Kick return for a touchdown since 2021 - 99 yards by Jadarain Price in the fourth quarter. It is the first kick return touchdown of the true freshman's career.

CAREER HIGHS

- Xavier Watts - interceptions in a game with two (which are the third and fourth of his career).
- Nana Osafo-Mensah - tackles (four)
- Bertrand 13 tackles - vs. Stanford 2022