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## ATHLETICS

### FINAL SCORE

No. 15/16 Notre Dame (10-3) 40, No. 21/22 Oregon State (8-5) 8

### TEAM NOTES

- Notre Dame won the toss and deferred its choice to the second half. Oregon State received the opening kick off and started the game defending the south end zone.
- Attendance for today's game in the reconfigured Sun Bowl Stadium is a record 48,223 for the new venue. The attendance from Notre Dame's 2010 appearance, 54,021, remains as the Sun Bowl record for attendance.
- The team captains today were senior JD Bertrand (who has served as a team captain for his second full season in 2023), who was joined by seniors DJ Brown, Javontae Jean-Baptiste and Michael Vinson (who were selected as bowl game captains by head coach Marcus Freeman).
- The 32-point victory for Notre Dame is the biggest margin of victory for the program in a bowl game, besting the 28-point win over Hawaii in the 2008 Hawaii Bowl.
- Notre Dame improves to 1-2 all-time against Oregon State
- Notre Dame improves to 3-0 against the Pac-12 this season and 103-57-6 all-time against Pac-12 teams.
- Notre Dame evens its bowl record to 21-21 all-time in and improves to 8-6 in their last 14 bowl appearances.
- Marcus Freeman improves to 2-1 in bowl games as a head coach.
- The two rushing yards by Oregon State in the game are the least amount given up by the Irish since 2005, when they held Stanford to -11 yards. The most recent defensive performance of five rushing yards or less was a four-yard effort by Virginia in 2019.

### NOTABLE

- Jordan Faison posted his first 100-yard receiving day of his career in today's game (115 yards) and was named the game's Most Outstanding Player..
- Marcus Freeman now owns seven victories over Associated Press-ranked teams in his first two seasons, the best for any Notre Dame head football coach. Terry Brennan (1954-55) had six in his first two years. The AP poll began in 1936.
- Freshman Steve Angeli made his first start as a quarterback today, marking the first time an Irish quarterback has made his first career start under center since Tyler Buchner at Ohio State to start the 2022 season (Sam Hartman, who started all 12 previous games this season for Notre Dame, started 45 games at Wake Forest before transferring to Notre Dame for the '23 season). Irish quarterbacks are 43-17 (.860) in first career starts since Paul Hornung started his first game against SMU in the 1955 season opener.
- Angeli is the second Notre Dame quarterback to make his first career start in a bowl game since Malik Zaire in the 2014 Music City Bowl (31-28 win vs. LSU).



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- Benjamin Morrison intercepted his ninth career pass to end the first half. That is the second-most for an Irish defender since 1996 - Benny Guilbeaux had nine from 1996-98. Shane Walton has the most, 11, from 1999-02.
- Morrison's interception was the 16th of the season for Notre Dame, which is the most since the 2014 squad also intercepted 16 passes. It also matched the '14 team as the third-most since 1996.

### FIRSTS

- Career game and start - freshman left tackle Charles Jagusah, marking the first true freshman to make his first start on the offensive line since Joe Alt against Virginia Tech on October 9, 2021.
- Career start - freshman quarterback Steve Angeli
- Career start - freshman running back Jeremiyah Love
- Touchdown since the season-opener for Jayden Thomas - on an eight-yard reception to complete Notre Dame's first offensive drive. Thomas has been affected all season by injuries and was fully healthy for today's game.

### CAREER HIGHS

- Jadarian Price - rushes (13) and rushing yards (106) - notable that Price set his career high for carries in the first half with nine and earned his first career 100-yard rushing game.
- Jeremiyah Love - rushes (13)
- Jordan Botelho - tackles (five)
- Adon Shuler - tackles (three)
- Steve Angeli - completions (14), attempts (18), passing yards (212), passing touchdowns (three), rushing attempts (eight) and rushing yards (27)
- Jordan Faison - receptions (5) and receiving yards (115)
- Christian Gray - tackles (3)
- Chase Ketterer - rushing touchdowns (1) - the walk-on from New Carlisle, Indiana, was the emergency third quarterback for the Irish today and was rewarded with his first career touchdown rush to complete Notre Dame's scoring today. Ketterer entered the game today with one career carry for three yards.