

### **FINAL SCORE**

No. 5/5 Notre Dame (11-1) 49, Southern Cal (6-6) 35

#### **TEAM NOTES**

- Southern Cal won the toss and received the opening kick off, defending the west end zone.
- Attendance: 73,241
- Notre Dame improves to 52–38–5 all-time against Southern Cal and 21–24–4 in Los Angeles.
- Notre Dame improves to 314–169–22 all-time against teams from the Big Ten Conference and 2–0 against Big Ten teams in 2024.
- Notre Dame improves to 8-7-2 all-time on November 30 and 3-3-1 against Southern Cal on the date.
- Notre Dame improves to 38–18–0 all–time as the No. 5 ranked Associated Press team and break a three–game winless streak as the nation's fifth–ranked team.
- The 84 total points scored by both teams today mark the most in the history of the series between the two teams.
- The 259 rushing yards by Notre Dame are the most for the program against Southern Cal since 308 in 2019 and the most versus SC in the L.A. Memorial Coliseum since 260 in 1996.
- The two interception returns for touchdowns in the fourth quarter mark the first time since 2021 against Wisconsin that the Irish returned two interceptions for touchdowns in the same game.

#### **NOTABLE**

- Jack Kiser extended his school-record games played record to 66 games this afternoon.
- Jeremiyah Love's one-yard touchdown run to start the scoring in the game marked his 12th consecutive game with a rushing touchdown this season. That extends his record for rushing touchdowns to start a season at 12 (previous record was 11 by Autry Denson in 1998) and also breaks the program record of 11 consecutive overall games with a rushing touchdown, previously held by Wayne Bullock over the 1973 and 1974 seasons.
- Riley Leonard's two-yard touchdown run to put the Irish up 28–21 in the third quarter was the 33rd of his career, which is second on the list for active FBS quarterback rushing touchdowns. Army's Bryson Daily rushed for two scores today and has 34 in his career. Oregon's Dillion Gabriel has 32.
- Christian Gray's 99-yard interception return for a touchdown matched Luther Bradley's 99-yard INTTD return against Purdue in 1975 as the longest in school history. It was broken on the next drive by Xavier Watts' 100-yard interception return effort.

## **FIRSTS**

- Career sack Gabriel Rubio in the second quarter
- Interception return for a touchdown Christian Gray (99 yards) late in the fourth quarter
- Interception return for a touchdown Xavier Watts (100 yards) late in the fourth quarter

# **CAREER HIGHS**

- 111 rushing yards sophomore running back Jadarian Price, his second-career 100-yard rushing game
- 9 tackles senior safety Xavier Watts
- 7 tackles sophomore cornerback Christian Gray
- 7 tackles at Notre Dame senior defensive back Jordan Clark