

TROJAN FOOTBALL

11 National Championships
35 Bowl Victories
176 All-Americans
8 Heisman Trophy Winners



530 NFL Draft Picks
86 NFL 1st Round Draftees
6 No. 1 Overall NFL Draft Picks
23 Academic All-Americans

2024 SCHEDULE (6-5)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME/RESULT
Sept. 1	LSU	W, 27-20
Sept. 7	Utah State	W, 48-0
Sept. 14	BYE DATE	
Sept. 21	at Michigan	L, 24-27
Sept. 28	Wisconsin	W, 38-21
Oct. 5	at Minnesota	L, 17-24
Oct. 12	Penn State	L, 30-33 (OT)
Oct. 19	at Maryland	L, 28-29
Oct. 25	Rutgers	W, 42, 20
Nov. 2	at Washington	L, 21-26
Nov. 9	BYE DATE	
Nov. 16	Nebraska	W, 28-20
Nov. 23	UCLA	W, 19-13
Nov. 30	Notre Dame	12:30 p.m. PT, CBS

Release Date: Nov. 25, 2024



GAME 12

USC
(6-5 overall, 4-5 Big Ten Conference)
vs.
No. 5 Notre Dame
(10-1 overall)



Saturday, Nov. 30, 2024, 12:30 p.m. PT, CBS
United Airlines Field at Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum

THE GREATEST INTERSECTIONAL RIVALRY IN COLLEGE FOOTBALL

- USC and Notre Dame...two renowned brands...two iconic football programs...it doesn't get any better.
- USC hosts the Notre Dame Fighting Irish in the 95th meeting of the greatest intersectional rivalry in college football. It will be shown live nationally on CBS.
- The game is a battle between schools with glorious gridiron heritages. The winner gets year-long possession of the jeweled Shillelagh.
- In its last 12 games against the Irish, USC is 4-8.
- Notre Dame is ranked No. 5 in the AP Poll, while USC is unranked.
- A Trojan win would shake up the College Football Playoff bracket.

WINNING TRADITIONS

- USC and Notre Dame have 2 of the top gridiron heritages in the country.
- The schools have both won 11 national titles (USC in 1928-31-32-39-62-67-72-74-78-2003-04 and Notre Dame in 1924-29-30-43-46-47-49-66-73-77-88).
- Notre Dame is fourth in all-time victories among Division I-A schools (958, not including 21 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty) and USC is eighth (881, not including 14 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty).
- USC has played in 55 bowls (with 35 wins, not including 1 win and 2 appearances vacated due to NCAA penalty), while Notre Dame has been in 42 bowls (with 21 wins).
- Both schools have produced Heisman Trophy winners (USC has 8 [the most of any college football program], Notre Dame 7). USC's Mike Garrett, O.J. Simpson, Charles White, Marcus Allen, Carson Palmer, Matt Leinart, Reggie Bush, Caleb Williams and Notre Dame's Angelo Bertelli, John Lujack, Leon Hart, John Lattner, Paul Hornung, John Huarte, Tim Brown.
- Notre Dame has had 203 All-American first teamers, while USC claims 176.
- USC holds the record for most players (6) selected as the top pick of the NFL Draft, while Notre Dame has had 5 players drafted at the No. 1 spot.
- Both schools are well-represented in the various halls of fame: USC has 46 inductees in the College Football Hall of Fame (including 35 players) and Notre Dame has 55 (including 49 players), and in the Pro Football Hall of Fame USC holds 18 members (including a record 14 players) and 14 from Notre Dame (13 players).
- Both programs have had legendary coaches (USC's Gloomy Gus Henderson, Howard Jones, John McKay, John Robinson and Pete Carroll, and Notre Dame's Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy and Ara Parseghian).

MAKING HIS MARK

- Redshirt senior **RB Woody Marks** continues to prove why he is one of the best and most versatile backs in the nation.
- In USC's 19-13 win over crosstown rival UCLA, Marks tallied 18 carries for 76 yards.
- He currently ranks No. 25 in USC's all-time single-season rushing leaders with 1,100 rushing yards this season.
- Marks is USC's first 1,000 yard rusher since Ronald Jones II rushed for 1,550 yards in 2017.
- Since Reggie Bush and LenDale White were 1,000-yard rushers in 2005, just five USC RBs have been 1,000-yard season rushers: Joe McKnight (2009), Curtis McNeal (2011), Javorius Allen (2014), Ronald Jones II (2016 & 2017) and now Woody Marks.
- Marks, the ultimate playmaker, had 4 catches for 25 yards to extend his streak of consecutive games with at least one catch to 56, which is the longest active streak in the nation.
- He is the first Trojan RB with 40+ catches in a single season since Javorius Allen recorded 41 in 2014. Marks has collected 47 receptions with at least 2 games remaining.
- He is No. 2 in the Power 4 among all positions with 31 explosive runs over the last 10 weeks.
- Marks is averaging 129.18 all-purpose yards per game, which ranks 16th in the nation and No. 2 in the Big Ten.

TICKETS

Tickets for USC home football games are on sale online at USCTrojans.com/tickets or by calling (213) 740-6050 (4672). To reserve a spot in a Coliseum Field Suite or in the Field Club, contact the USC Premium Department at premium@usc.edu.



BIG TEN STANDINGS

	BIG TEN		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
ORE	8	0	11	0
IND	7	1	10	1
DSU	7	1	10	1
PSU	7	1	10	1
ILL	5	3	8	3
IOWA	5	3	7	4
MICH	4	4	6	5
MINN	4	4	6	5
WASH	4	4	6	5
USC	4	5	6	5
NEB	3	5	6	5
RUT	3	5	6	5
MICH ST	3	5	5	6
WISC	3	5	5	6
UCLA	3	6	4	7
NW	2	6	4	7
MD	1	7	4	7
PUR	0	8	1	10

AP POLL

- Oregon
- Ohio State
- Texas
- Penn State
- Notre Dame
- Georgia
- Tennessee
- Miami (Fla.)
- SMU
- Indiana
- Boise State
- Clemson
- Alabama
- Arizona State
- Ole Miss
- South Carolina
- Iowa State
- Tulane
- BYU
- Texas A&M
- UNLV
- Illinois
- Colorado
- Missouri
- Army

COACHES POLL

- Oregon
- Ohio State
- Texas
- Penn State
- Notre Dame
- Georgia
- Miami (Fla.)
- Tennessee
- SMU
- Indiana
- Boise State
- Clemson
- Alabama
- South Carolina
- Arizona State
- Ole Miss
- Iowa State
- Tulane
- Texas A&M
- BYU
- UNLV
- Army
- Memphis
- Missouri
- Illinois

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• His 1,100 rushing yards are 19th in the nation and No. 3 in the Big Ten, and his rushing yards per game (100.0) ranks 20th in the nation and No. 3 in the Big Ten.

PLAYERS WITH A CATCH IN AT LEAST 25 CONSECUTIVE GAMES

Player	RB	USC	56
Woody Marks			
LaJohntay Wester	WR	Colorado	48
Kyle Williams	WR	Wash. St.	48
Jaylin Noel	WR	Iowa St.	43
Brant Kuithe	TE	Utah	41
Brennan Presley	WR	Ok. St.	41
JP Richardson	WR	TCU	38
Andrew Armstrong	WR	Arkansas	38
Derwin Burgess Jr.	WR	Ga. Southern	38
Jordan Moore	WR	Duke	37
Raylen Sharpe	WR	Fresno State	36
Elijah Sarratt	WR	Indiana	36
Elijah Badger	WR	Florida	36
Emeka Egbuka	WR	Ohio State	35
Kaedin Robinson	WR	App. State	34
Joey Hobert	WR	Texas State	33
Luther Burden III	WR	Missouri	33
Money Parks	WR	Utah	32
Taylor Morin	WR	Wake Forest	30
Kole Wilson	WR	Texas State	29
Harold Fannin Jr.	TE	Bowling Green	29
Kevin Coleman Jr.	WR	Mississippi State	28
Noah Smith	WR	Sam Houston	28
Mason Taylor	TE	LSU	28
Malik Rutherford	WR	Georgia Tech	27
Tyler Warren	TE	Penn State	27
Joseph Manjack IV	WR	Houston	26
Malachi Fields	WR	Virginia	26
Theo Wease Jr.	WR	Missouri	25

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT MARKS

• "He's been consistent, steady, just a tough, physical runner. It's not a shock that the guy plays the way he does every week because he works every day. He's the same guy every day. He comes to compete and so game day is really no different. It's something you just come to expect out of him and he's answered the bell for us all year long." - USC head coach Lincoln Riley.

POWERFUL PUNTING

- **P Eddie Czaplicki**, a Ray Guy Award semifinalist, is the best punter in the nation.
- Czaplicki averaged 47.0 yards per punt with a long of 52 in USC's 19-16 victory over crosstown rival UCLA.
- Not only were all 3 of his punts inside the 20, they were all inside the 10 -- backing UCLA up to its own 7, 9 and 1-yard line.
- USC ranks first in the nation in net punting (46.24).
- He is first in the nation in percentage of punts inside the 20 for punters with a minimum of 30 attempts.
- 9 of his punts have been inside the 10.
- 22 of his punts have been inside the 20.
- He has recorded zero touchbacks the entire season.
- He has averaged over 50-yards in 4 games this season (55.3 vs. LSU, 53.1 vs. Michigan, 56.0 vs. Minnesota and 51.8 vs. Nebraska).
- He has been named a Ray's 8 Award recipient three times this season.
- Nineteen of Czaplicki's 36 punts have been over 50 yards (.528), including a season-long of 62 yards against Minnesota.
- He also recorded a career-high single game punting average of 53.1 yards against Michigan, and 22 of his punts have pinned opponents inside the 20.
- He ranks No. 3 in the nation with a 48.8-yard punting average.
- Czaplicki has been instrumental in flipping the field and giving the Trojan defense great field position all season long.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ABOUT CZAPLICKI

- "Eddie Czaplicki's punt goes down at the 1-yard line. **The best individual season for a USC specialist as far back as I can remember** - maybe Tom Malone?" - Antonio Morales, The Athletic
- "Eddie Czaplicki having a great night for his Heisman campaign, pins a 44-yard punt at the UCLA 1. **He may be the best college punter I've ever seen.**" - Ryan Young, TrojanSports.com
- "Eddie Czaplicki might run away with team MVP honors this season. It's not every day that the punter gets a shoutout in the head coach's opening statement, but that's how important Czaplicki has become to USC's whole operation. Each of his four punts resulted in Nebraska starting its drive inside of at least its own 13-yard line. Twice, he pushed Nebraska inside the five. Those four Nebraska drives yielded exactly two (!!!) first downs and 57 yards. **Give this kid the Ray Guy Award already.**" - Ryan Kartje, Los Angeles Times
- "This dude has been a dawg for us all year and has continued to produce. You talk about a guy whose performance is consistent in and out. **This dude is the best in the country at his position.** And that's Eddie Czaplicki!" - USC head coach Lincoln Riley



USC VS. NOTRE DAME (37*-51-5)

1926	L	12-13	H	1976	W	17-13	H
1927	L	6-7	N1	1977	L	19-49	A
1928	W	27-14	H	1978	W	27-25	H
1929	L	12-13	N1	1979	W	42-23	A
1930	L	0-27	H	1980	W	20-3	H
1931	W	16-14	A	1981	W	14-7	A
1932	W	13-0	H	1982	W	17-13	H
1933	W	19-0	A	1983	L	6-27	A
1934	L	0-14	H	1984	L	7-19	H
1935	L	13-20	A	1985	L	3-37	A
1936	T	13-13	H	1986	L	37-38	H
1937	L	6-13	A	1987	L	15-26	A
1938	W	13-0	H	1988	L	10-27	H
1939	W	20-12	A	1989	L	24-28	A
1940	L	6-10	H	1990	L	6-10	H
1941	L	18-20	A	1991	L	20-24	A
1942	L	0-13	H	1992	L	23-31	H
1946	L	6-26	A	1993	L	13-31	A
1947	L	7-38	H	1994	T	17-17	H
1948	T	14-14	H	1995	L	10-38	A
1949	L	0-32	A	1996	W	27-20(10T)	H
1950	W	9-7	H	1997	W	20-17	A
1951	L	12-19	H	1998	W	10-0	H
1952	L	0-9	A	1999	L	24-25	A
1953	L	14-48	H	2000	L	21-38	H
1954	L	17-23	A	2001	L	16-27	A
1955	W	42-20	H	2002	W	44-13	H
1956	W	28-20	H	2003	W	45-14	A
1957	L	12-40	A	2004	W	41-10	H
1958	L	13-20	H	2005*W	34-31	A	
1959	L	6-16	A	2006	W	44-24	H
1960	L	0-17	H	2007	W	38-0	A
1961	L	0-30	A	2008	W	38-3	H
1962	W	25-0	H	2009	W	34-27	A
1963	L	14-17	A	2010	L	16-20	H
1964	W	20-17	H	2011	W	31-17	A
1965	L	7-28	A	2012	L	13-22	H
1966	L	0-51	H	2013	L	10-14	A
1967	W	24-7	A	2014	W	49-14	H
1968	T	21-21	H	2015	L	31-41	A
1969	T	14-14	A	2016	W	45-27	H
1970	W	38-28	H	2017	L	14-49	A
1971	W	28-14	A	2018	L	17-24	H
1972	W	45-23	H	2019	L	27-30	A
1973	L	14-23	A	2021	L	16-31	A
1974	W	55-24	H	2022	W	38-27	H
1975	W	24-17	A	2023	L	20-48	A

N1-Soldier Field, Chicago, Illinois
*Not including 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty (original record: 38-50-5)

FUN FACT

USC and Notre Dame have beaten each other more than any other opponent (51 wins by the Irish and 37 by the Trojans, not including 1 USC win vacated due to NCAA penalty).

MAIAVA MANIA

- Redshirt sophomore **QB Jayden Maiava** went 19-for-35 (.543) for 221 yards with 1 TD in USC's victory over UCLA.
- He displayed his elusiveness and his ability to extend plays with his feet after escaping 2 Bruin defenders and launching a dart to **WR Ja'Kobi Lane** in the end zone to score.
- Per PFF, Maiava recorded 2 Big Time Throws versus UCLA, which ranked second-most among Big Ten QBs in Week 13.
- He is 2-0 at USC's starting QB.
- He is the first Polynesian quarterback to start for USC.
- As a redshirt freshman in 2023, Maiava led UNLV to its most wins since 1984 and a first-ever appearance in the Mountain West Championship.
- He completed 224-of-353 passes (63.5%) for 3,085 yards and 17 TDs with 10 INTs, plus he rushed for 277 yards on 73 carries (3.8 avg.) and scored 3 TDs while seeing action and starting in all 14 games.
- He also recorded 2 tackles. Maiava was named the 2023 Mountain West Freshman of the Year and the 2023 College Football Network Freshman Quarterback of the Year.
- He earned placement on the 2023 All-Mountain West Second Team and the 2023 Phil Steele All-Mountain West Second Team.
- He set the Mountain West record for Freshman of the Week honors with 5.
- Maiava redshirted the 2022 season and did not see any action at quarterback.
- He is majoring in Communication at USC.
- While at UNLV, Maiava earned placement on the Fall 2023 Academic All-Mountain West Team.
- His uncle is former Trojan linebacker, Kaluka Maiava (2005-08).

POLYNESIAN TROJANS

- Among the Polynesians who have played at USC: George Achica, Pat Ah-Hing, Al Aliipule, Michael Alo, Charley Ane, Mason Cobb, Martin Coleman, Su'a Cravens, Juliano Falaniko, Josh Falu, Hebron Fangupo, Salo Faraimo, Josh Fatu, Palaie Gaoteote IV, Paul Green, Harold Han, Stanley Havili, Arthur Hemingway, Talanoa Hufanaga, Jordan Iosefa, John Kamana, Kolomona Kapanui, Tayler Katoa, Uona Kaveinga, Gaylord Kuamoo, Chris Limahelu, Tilini Livai, Toa Lobendahn, Karl Lorch, Taitusi Lutui, Malaefou MacKenzie, AJ Mageo, Faaesea Mailo, Kaluka Maiava, Kaulana Makaula, Vavae Malepeai, Alatini Malu, Abe Markowitz, Osa Masina, Fred Matua, Rey Mauuluga, Kana'i Mauga, Junior Moi, Johnny Naumu, Sol Naumu, Alani Noa, Tausivi Nomura, Gino Quinones, Kobe Pepe, Brandon Pili, Kennedy Pola, Isaiiah Pola-Mao, Troy Polamalu, Junior Pomee, Junior Seau, Jamar Sekona, JuJu Smith-Schuster, Amos Talalele, Viane Talamaivao, Tyrone Taleni, Lofa Tatupu, Mosi Tatupu, Stanley Ta'ufo'ou, J.R. Tavai, Travis Tofi, Jay Toia, Jay Tufele, Maninoa Tufono, Titus Tuiasosopo, Stevie Tu'ikolovatu, Marlon Tuipulotu, Tuli Tuipulotu, Brian Tuliau, Solomon Tuliaupupu, Christian Tupou, Junior Utu, Soma Vainuku, Lenny Vandermade and Simione Vehikite.

PAUL HORNING WOULD BE IMPRESSED

- Although, he played at Notre Dame, Paul Horning would be impressed at the versatility of USC **WR Makai Lemon**.
- Against UCLA, Lemon recorded 69 receiving yards on 2 receptions.
- He had a beautiful 64-yard reception in the first quarter from QB Jayden Maiava.
- His main offensive highlight came on a trick play. Maiava tossed Lemon a lateral, and Lemon threw a perfect 39-yard rope to WR Kyron Hudson who ran out of bounds at the UCLA 4. USC scored on the next play to take the lead 16-13.
- Lemon's other highlight of the night came on special teams when he had a 41-yard kick return.
- He also downed a punt from USC P Eddie Czaplicki at the UCLA 1-yard line.

DEFENSIVE TURNAROUND

- The USC defense is holding opponents to an average of just 21.2 points per game. In 2023, the USC defense allowed an average of 34.4 points per game.
- USC currently ranks No. 18 in the nation and No. 2 in the Big Ten Conference in third-down conversion percentage defense (0.322), compared to ranking No. 106 in the nation in third-down conversion percentage defense (0.436) in 2023.
- At the end of the 2023 season, USC ranked 116 in total defense (432.8). USC has made a significant improvement and now ranks No. 65 in total defense (365.7).
- USC was No. 116 in rushing defense (186.5), compared to ranking No. 43 (130.1) in 2024.
- The Trojans were No. 118 in scoring defense in 2023 (34.4), and now are No. 32 (21.2).

OLINE PRODUCTION

- Per PFF, **OL Emmanuel Pregon**'s offensive grade of 83.9 and his run block grade of 88.2 were the best grades of all Power Four guards in week 13, and the fifth-best grades among all Power Four offensive linemen. His run block grade was the best in the Big Ten in week 13.
- Per PFF, **OL Alani Noa**'s run block grade of 84.7 was the seventh-best grade among all Power Four offensive linemen and second-best in the Big Ten (behind Pregon).
- Per PFF, **OL Jonah Monheim**'s 78.4 run block grade was the best of all Power Four centers in week 13.
- Per PFF, **OL Elijah Paige**'s 91.6 pass block grade ranked No. 1 among all Power Four offensive linemen in week 13.

UCLA GAME RECAP

- It was USC's version of the Michael Jordan "flu game" as the Trojans, overcoming a program-wide flu outbreak, defeated crosstown UCLA 19-13 in the Rose Bowl to bring the Victory Bell home to Troy.
- It was the fifth straight year the road team has won in the series.
- After UCLA scored a FG on its opening possession, the Trojans ended up in the red zone 3 times in the first half, scoring a field goal each time.
- After an on-field scuffle at the end of the first half, UCLA was charged with 3 unsportsmanlike conduct penalties giving USC an opportunity for a short field to open the second half, but the Trojans turned the ball over on downs. UCLA then scored as QB Ethan Garbers hit WR Titus Mokiao-Atimalala on a 10-yard TD pass.
- USC then completely took control of the game in the fourth quarter.
- **P Eddie Czaplicki**, the nation's best punter, put the Trojan defense in great field position with a perfect

THE LAST MEETING: 2023 USC vs. NOTRE DAME

GAME 7 – October 14, Notre Dame Stadium
USC 20, Notre Dame 48
Att: 77,622

Notre Dame	7	17	7	17	--	48
USC	3	3	7	7	--	20

After going into South Bend undefeated, USC fell 20-48 to the Notre Dame Fighting Irish.

Defending Heisman Trophy winner **QB Caleb Williams** went 23-of-37 for 199 yards, 1 TD and 3 INTs. It was the first time in Williams' career that he had thrown 3 INTs.

USC didn't score a TD in the first half of play. This is the second time this has ever happened in the Lincoln Riley era, with the first occurring in a win at Oregon State on Sept. 24, 2022. USC totaled 302 yards of offense tonight. This is the fewest number of offensive yards put up by the Trojans in the last 2 seasons.

Averaging 51.8 points per game, USC ended up with five turnovers and was limited to 92 yards rushing. The Fighting Irish racked up 11 tackles for loss. With the exception of the kickoff return for a TD, Notre Dame only had one scoring drive of over 50 yards. Three of their six scoring drives were 12 yards or less.

After S Xavier Watts intercepted Williams on USC's first offensive series of the game, Notre Dame set the stage with a short field at the USC 12 and scored a TD.

USC uncharacteristically struggled to score, but put up 3 points off a field goal from **PK Denis Lynch** at the end of the first quarter.

The Irish scored a field goal to open the second quarter, and Williams was picked off for a second time by Watts. This set up Notre Dame to begin their drive on the USC 2-yard line and immediately scored.

One more TD from Notre Dame and a field goal from USC closed out the first half with a 6-24 score.

Hoping to be a flashback from the victory in 1974 during USC-ND game which had the same score at halftime, the Trojans came out of the locker room looking to put points on the board.

RB MarShawn Lloyd found the end zone for the first time of the evening to score, but Notre Dame responded with a TD of their own to make the score 13-31.

Williams found **WR Brenden Rice** on a quick 7-yard TD pass early in the fourth quarter, but Notre Dame's Jadarian Price returned the ensuing kickoff 99 yards for a score.

The Irish put the exclamation point on the night with another field score and a fumble recovery for a TD as the final score on the video board read 20-48.

USC is now 37-51-5 against the Fighting Irish (not including Troy's 2005 victory that was later vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record 38-51-5).

SCORING

First Quarter

ND -- Payne 4-yard pass from Hartman (Shrader kick)
USC -- Lynch 25-yard FG

Second Quarter

ND -- Shrader 25-yard FG
 ND -- Estime 2-yard rush (Shrader kick)
 ND -- Estime 1-yard rush (Shrader kick)
USC -- Lynch 48-yard FG

Third Quarter

USC -- Lloyd 31-yard rush (Lynch kick)
 ND -- Tyree 46-yard pass from Hartman (Shrader kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Rice 7-yard pass from C. Williams (Lynch kick)
 ND -- Price 99-yard kickoff return (Shrader kick)
 ND -- Shrader 23-yard FG
 ND -- Watter 15-yard fumble return (Shrader kick)

USC	STATISTICS	ND
23	First Downs	13
103	Net Yards Rushing	125
199	Net Yards Passing	126
37	Passes Attempted	20
23	Passes Completed	13
3	Had Intercepted	0
74	Total Plays	49
302	Total Yards	251
3/50.0	Punts/Avg	5-45.8
3/2	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
9/75	Penalties/Yards	5-54
34:35	Time of Possession	25:25

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Estime (ND) 22-95; Lloyd (USC) 8-46; Jones (USC) 11-27; Branch (USC) 2-17; Faison (ND) 1-16
 PASSING – C. Williams (USC) 23-37-199; Hartman (ND) 13-20-126

44-yard punt downed at the UCLA 1-yard line. His other 2 punts in the game were also inside the 10, backing UCLA up to its own 7 and 9 yard lines.

• After and 3-and-out by the Bruins, the Trojan offense found a spark. **QB Jayden Maiava** tossed **WR Makai Lemon** a lateral, and Lemon threw a perfect 39-yard rope to **WR Kyron Hudson** who ran out of bounds at the UCLA 4. USC scored on the next play as Maiava dodged one Bruin defender and outran another to launch a perfect throw to **WR Ja'Kobi Lane** in the back corner of the end zone for USC's only TD of the night to push USC ahead 16-13.

• With 5 minutes left in the game, UCLA needed to convert a fourth-and-1 to extend its drive, and the USC front came up with a crucial stop to force a turnover on downs at the UCLA 34. USC scored a field goal on the following drive to extend its lead to 19-13.

• UCLA had another opportunity with 2 minutes left, and USC didn't allow the Bruins to earn a single yard which forced a turnover on downs at fourth-and-10 to seal the victory.

RANKINGS

• USC is not ranked in either poll, but Notre Dame is No. 5 in both the AP Poll and the USA Today Coaches Poll.

SERIES

• Notre Dame leads the series with USC, which began in 1926, 51-37-5 (not including Troy's 2005 victory that was later vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 51-38-5).

• Including that 2005 vacated game, USC has won 12 of the last 21 meetings and 15 of the last 27 (including 8 in a row from 2002 to 2009), but ND has won 8 of the last 12.

• Since 1967, USC has gone 26-26-3 (not including the 2005 vacated game; original record: 27-26-3).

• In Los Angeles games, USC leads 23-20-4 and the Trojans have won 3 out of the last 4 Coliseum matchups.

RIVALRY DOMINATION

• USC has defeated both UCLA and Notre Dame in the same season 21 times, with 11 of those occasions occurring in back-to-back Bruin/Irish games (1938-56-62-64-72-74-76-78-2002-16-22), twice on consecutive Irish/Bruin games (2004-08) and the other 8 times (1967-79- 81-2003-05-07-09-11) coming when the Irish game was in October and the Bruin contest in November/December (2 of those UCLA wins--2004, 2005--were later vacated due to NCAA penalty).

SHILLELAGH

• The winner of the USC-Notre Dame game gets year-long possession of the jeweled Shillelagh.

• The foot-long shillelagh—a Gaelic war club made of oak or blackthorn saplings from Ireland—has ruby-adorned Trojan heads with the year and game score representing USC victories, while emerald-studded shamrocks stand for Notre Dame wins. For tie games, a combined Trojan head/shamrock medallion was used.

• The first Shillelagh was retired after the 1989 game when it ran out of space for the medallions and a second one is now in use.

• There are now 51 shamrocks, 38 Trojan heads and 5 combined medallions on the shillelachs (1 USC win was later vacated due to NCAA penalty).

A WIVES TALE

• If it had not been for the persuasiveness of a young bride in 1925, the Trojan-Irish series may never have been established. The series came about because of a discussion between two wives.

USC's graduate manager, Gwynn Wilson was a forerunner to the modern-day athletic director. He and his bride, Marion, got on the Sunset Limited train to Lincoln, Nebraska where Notre Dame was going to play the Cornhuskers. Mission: a USC-Notre Dame home-and-home series. Wilson didn't get to meet with Rockne though, until after the game when they all got on a train to Chicago.

"He told me that he couldn't meet USC because Notre Dame was traveling too much," Wilson said. "I thought the whole thing was off but as Rock and I talked, Marion was with Mrs. Rockne, Bonnie, in her compartment. Marion told Bonnie how nice Southern California was and how hospitable the people were."

"Well, when Rock went back to the compartment, Bonnie talked him into the game. But if it hadn't been for Mrs. Wilson talking to Mrs. Rockne, there wouldn't have been a series."

THE COMEBACK

• Nov. 30, 2024 marks the 50th anniversary of arguably USC's most famous game – and it just so happened to be a victory over Notre Dame.

• In what is regarded as one of the most dramatic and incredible comebacks in the history of college football, the 1974 Trojans erased a



WATCH LISTS

WR Zachariah Branch

Allstate Good Works Team / Wuerffel Trophy
Jason Witten Collegiate Man of the Year
Jet Award
Paul Hornung Award (most versatile player)
Walter Camp Player of the Year

LB Mason Cobb

Polynesian College Football Player of the Year

P Eddie Czapliski

Ray Guy Award (top punter)

WR Jay Fair

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas player)

RB Quinten Joyner

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas player)

K Michael Lantz

Lou Groza Award (top kicker)

WR Makai Lemon

Polynesian College Football Player of the Year

LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold

Butkus Award (top linebacker)

QB Jayden Maiava

Polynesian College Football Player of the Year

RB Woody Marks

Doak Walker Award (top running back)

TE Lake McRee

Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award (top Texas player)

OL Jonah Monheim

Campbell Trophy
Lombardi Award (top lineman)
Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)
Rimington Trophy (top center)

QB Miller Moss

Maxwell Award (top player)

OL Elijah Paige

Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year

OL Emmanuel Pregon

Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)

S Kamari Ramsey

Lott IMPACT Trophy

HC Lincoln Riley

Dodd Trophy

PRE-SEASON HONORS

S Akili Arnold

Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Fourth Team

WR Zachariah Branch

AP All-American Second Team (all-purpose)
ESPN All-American First Team (returner)
CBS All-American First Team (punt returner)
Sporting News All-American First Team (punt returner)
USA Today All-American First Team (returner)
Athlon Sports All-American First Team (punt returner)
Phil Steele All-American First Team (punt returner)
Pick Six Previews All-Big Ten Second Team (WR)
Sports Info Solutions All-Big Ten Team (returner)
Athlon Sports All-Big Ten First Team (kick returner)
Athlon Sports All-Big Ten First Team (punt returner)
Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Third Team (WR)
Phil Steele All-Big Ten First Team (punt returner)
Phil Steele All-Big Ten Fourth Team (kick returner)
Phil Steele All-Big Ten Fourth Team (WR)

DT Nate Clifton

Pick Six Previews All-Big Ten Transfer Team
Senior Bowl Watch List

LB Eric Gentry

Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Fourth Team

RB Woody Marks

Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Third Team
Senior Bowl Watch List

LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold

Pick Six Previews All-Big Ten Second Team
Pick Six Previews All-Big Ten Transfer Team
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Phil Steele All-Big Ten Second Team

QB Miller Moss

Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Fourth Team
Phil Steele All-Big Ten Fourth Team
Senior Bowl Watch List

DE Jamil Muhammad

Senior Bowl Watch List

CB DeCarlos Nicholson

Senior Bowl Watch List

OL Emmanuel Pregon

Phil Steele All-Big Ten Second Team
Athlon Sports All-Big Ten Third Team
Senior Bowl Watch List

S Kamari Ramsey

Pick Six Previews All-Big Ten Transfer Team

CB Jaylin Smith

Senior Bowl Watch List

24-point deficit to beat Notre Dame, 55-24, in the Coliseum. In a December 1998 list by SPORT magazine, the game was ranked as the No. 6 top college football moment of the 20th century.

- USC trailed the Irish, 24-0, late in the first half, and the Trojans' chances looked bleak because Notre Dame sported the nation's top-ranked defense. But with 10 seconds remaining before halftime, Anthony Davis scored on a 7-yard pass from Pat Haden (Troy's extra point kick was blocked) to send the Trojans into the locker room behind 24-6...but with a glimmer of hope.

- Davis took the opening kickoff of the second half and raced 102 yards for a score, opening the floodgates as USC rallied for 35 points in the third quarter. Davis scored 2 more times that quarter, both on short runs, and Haden threw TD passes of 18 and 45 yards to J.K. McKay.

- Then, before 2 minutes had elapsed in the fourth quarter, Haden hit Shelton Diggs for a 16-yard score and Charles Phillips returned an interception 58 yards for a touchdown.

- In all, USC blitzed to its 55 points in under 17 minutes.

- "We turned into madmen," was how Davis described the comeback.

- Added receiver J.K. McKay, son of USC coach John McKay, right after the game: "I can't understand it. I'm gonna sit down tonight and have a beer and think about it. Against Notre Dame? Maybe against Kent State...but Notre Dame?"

- The victory propelled USC, which then beat Ohio State in the Rose Bowl, 18-17, to the national championship.

- Interestingly, that Rose Bowl win was dramatic, too. USC trailed, 17-10, with just minutes left. Then Haden teamed with McKay on a 38-yard TD pass with 2:03 to go, and followed that with a 2-point conversion toss to Diggs for the victory.

USC vs. NOTRE DAME FOLLOWING UCLA

- USC is 19-21-4 (.477) versus Notre Dame in games immediately following the UCLA game, including 11-8-2 when USC is coming off a win over UCLA, 8-12-1 when coming off a loss to the Bruins and 0-1-1 coming off a tie.

UNRANKED USC VS. RANKED NOTRE DAME

- Unranked USC teams facing ranked Notre Dame squads are 6-14-2 (wins in 1955-64-70-71-96-98, losses in 1937-41-57-58-61-87-91-93-00-2012-15-18-19-21 and ties in 1936-48).

IN NOVEMBER

- USC has a 272-141-20 (.651) all-time record while playing in the month of November (not including 3 wins vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 275-141-20, .654).

SUPER BOWL SITES

- Just 3 teams in the nation are scheduled to play at 3 different Super Bowl sites:

- USC - All home games are at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum; USC defeated LSU 27-20 at Allegiant Stadium on Sept. 1; USC played UCLA at the Rose Bowl on Nov. 23

- Notre Dame - The Irish played Georgia Tech at Mercedes-Benz Stadium on Oct. 19; Notre Dame faced Navy at MetLife Stadium on Oct. 26; The Irish will challenge the Trojans in the greatest intersectional rivalry in college football at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum on Nov. 30

- Navy - The Midshipmen played Notre Dame at MetLife Stadium on Oct. 26; Navy faced Rice at Rice Stadium on Nov. 2; The Midshipmen challenged South Florida at Raymond James Stadium on Nov. 9.

OLYMPIC RECORD

- USC is 209-75-10 (.728) in seasons that the Summer Olympics have been held (including this season). The Trojans won 4 national titles (1928, 1932, 1972, 2004) and played in 11 bowls (winning 8) during those Olympic seasons. (Does not include 2 wins--including 1 bowl appearance and 1 bowl win--vacated by NCAA penalty; original record: 211-75-10, .730.)

PRESIDENTIAL RECORD

- USC is 227-75-14 (.741) during presidential election years (including this season). (Does not include 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 228-75-14, .741).

- The Trojans are 133-34-5 (.788) in years when Republicans won the White House and 94-41-9 (.684) when Democrats won. (Does not include 1 win vacated due to NCAA penalty; original record: 134-34-5, .789 with Republicans.)

- USC has won 4 national championships (1928-32-72-2004) during presidential election years.

TV OUTLETS

- USC has appeared live on 35 different television broadcasting outlets. The Trojans have won on the air of all but 3 of those outlets (KTLA, Innovative and a local Memphis station).

- USC has appeared on live national, regional or local telecasts 590 times.

HOME SWEET HOME

- Just 13 players across the nation returned to their previous school after spending one or more seasons at another NCAA institution.

Player	School	Previous
Beau Allen	Kentucky	Ga. Southern & Tarleton State
Jori Benson	Utah	UConn
Tyler Buchner	Notre Dame	Alabama
Vita Calvaruso	Arkansas	Wisconsin
Duce Chestnut	Syracuse	LSU
Omarion Cooper	Florida State	Colorado
Gilber Edmond	South Carolina	Florida State

IN-SEASON HONORS

P Eddie Czaplicki

- Ray's 8, Ray Guy Award (9/23)
- Ray's 8, Ray Guy Award (10/14)
- Ray's 8, Ray Guy Award (10/21)
- Ray Guy Award Semifinalist (11/15)

OL Jonah Monheim

- William V. Campbell Trophy Semifinalist (9/25)

QB Miller Moss

- Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week (9/2)
- Davey O'Brien Great 8 List (9/3)
- Davey O'Brien Great 8 List (9/30)

S Kamari Ramsey

- Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week (9/4)

Player	School	Previous
Kyle Ford	USC	UCLA
Jam Griffin	Oregon State	Ole Miss
Henry Ikahihifo	Nevada	California
Lorando Johnson	Baylor	Arkansas
Christian Rorie	Duke	Texas State
Corey Rucker	Arkansas St.	South Carolina

USC-NOTRE DAME CONNECTIONS

- USC **DE Anthony Lucas** and Notre Dame OL Tosh Baker are both from Scottsdale, Ariz.
- USC **WR Duce Robinson**, USC **OL Elijah Paige** and Notre Dame OL Tosh Baker prepped at Pinnacle HS.
- USC **OL Gino Quinones** and Notre Dame DL Jordan Botelho prepped at Saint Louis HS.
- USC **DE DJ Peevy** and Notre Dame WR Tyler Buchner are from San Diego, Calif.
- USC **P Eddie Czaplicki** and Notre Dame S Jordan Clark were teammates at Arizona State in 2022.
- USC **QB Miller Moss**, USC **WR Xavier Jordan**, USC **QB Dylan Gebbia**, USC **LB Ryan Quintanar** and Notre Dame WR Beaux Collins are from Los Angeles, Calif.
- USC **CB Marcelles Williams**, USC **DT Kobe Pepe**, Notre Dame LB Kyngstonn Viliamu-Asa and Notre Dame WR Beaux Collins prepped at St. John Bosco HS.
- USC **P Eddie Czaplicki**, Notre Dame TE Jack Larsen, Notre Dame OL Bryce Young and Notre Dame WR Micah Gilbert are from Charlotte, N.C.
- USC **TE Lake McRee** and Notre Dame WR Jaden Greathouse are from Austin, Texas.
- USC **LB Elijah Newby** and Notre Dame WR Matt Jeffery are from Cheshire, Conn.
- USC **WR Duce Robinson**, USC **OL Elijah Paige** and Notre Dame CB Benjamin Morrison are from Phoenix, Ariz.
- USC **OL Kilian O'Connor** and Notre Dame DL Grant Ristoff are from Ladera Ranch, Calif.
- USC **OL Mason Murphy** and Notre Dame DL Grant Ristoff prepped at JSerra Catholic HS.
- USC **S Jarvis Boatwright Jr.** and Notre Dame DL Sean Sevillano Jr. are both from Clearwater, Fla. and prepped at Clearwater Academy.
- USC **LB Desman Stephens II** and Notre Dame OL Rocco Spindler are from Clarkston, Mich. and prepped at Clarkston HS.
- USC **CB Jaylin Smith**, USC **QB Miller Moss**, USC **QB Dylan Gebbia**, and Notre Dame DL Junior Tuihalamaka prepped at Bishop Alemany HS.
- USC **CB Jacobe Covington**, USC **SNP Hank Pepper** and Notre Dame S Kennedy Urlacher are from Chandler, Ariz. Pepper and Urlacher prepped at Chandler HS.
- Notre Dame running backs coach **Deland McCullough** previously served as USC's run game coordinator / running backs coach in 2017.
- USC Director of Football Communications **Katie Ryan** and Notre Dame Senior Defensive Analyst Mike Moon attended high school together at Tesoro HS in Las Flores, Calif.
- USC Assistant Director of Clinical and Sport Psychological Service **Dr. Niki Sims** served in a similar role at Notre Dame from 2017-20.
- USC Senior Associate Athletic Director **Lindsay Jaffe** served as assistant athletic director for sport services at Cincinnati while Notre Dame Head Coach Marcus Freeman served as defensive coordinator / linebackers coach at Cincinnati from 2019-20.
- USC Senior Associate Athletic Director for Strategic Communication and Brand Advancement **Cody Worsham** served as associate athletic director / chief brand officer at LSU while Offensive Coordinator / Tight Ends Coach Mike Denbrock served in a similar position at LSU from 2022-23.
- USC Senior Associate Athletic Director for Strategic Communication and Brand Advancement **Cody Worsham** served as associate athletic director / chief brand officer at LSU while Associate Athletic Director, Revenue Generation & Fan Experience Kevin Cassidy served as senior director of digital marketing at LSU from 2019-2023.
- Notre Dame rowing Assistant Coach **Dori Bene** rowed at USC from 2014-19. After her collegiate career, Bene became an assistant coach at USC from 2019-2024.

NOTRE DAME SCOUTING REPORT

- The Fighting Irish beat the undefeated Black Knights 49-14 in Yankee Stadium on Saturday (Nov. 23).
- This marked Notre Dame's ninth straight win after falling to Northern Illinois in September.
- **RB Jeremiah Love** ended the day with 130 rushing yards and 2 TDs on just 7 carries (18.6 yards per carry). Love also tallied a 6-yard TD reception.
- Love ranks No. 5 in the nation in rush yards per carry (7.02).
- Notre Dame is ranked No. 11 nationally in rushing offense (221.8) and No. 6 in scoring offense (39.0).
- **QB Riley Leonard** went 10-of-13 (.769) for 148 yards and 2 TDs and added another 30 yards on the ground before being taken out for backup **QB Steve Angeli** in the third quarter with the Irish ahead 35-7.
- Notre Dame's top receiver, **Beaux Collins**, recorded 4 receptions for 37 yards against Army.
- Notre Dame rushed 28 times for 275 yards against Army.
- During its nine-game win streak, the Irish have outscored opponents by a combined score of 392-92.
- The Fighting Irish defense is one of the best in the nation.
- Against Army, 18 different Notre Dame players made at least 2 tackles, with **S Adon Shuler** (8) and **LB Jaiden Ausberry** (7) leading the team.
- Notre Dame hasn't given up more than 14 points in a game since a 31-24 win over Louisville at the end of September.
- Notre Dame held Army to just 233 total yards, marking the sixth opponent the defense has held to 250 or less of total offense.
- The Fighting Irish rank No. 1 in team passing efficiency defense (88.27) No. 1 in passing yards allowed (139.5), No. 2 in scoring defense (11.6), No. 4 nationally in total defense (273.1), No. 4 in first downs defense (168) and No. 5 in red zone defense (.708).
- Notre Dame is also No. 1 in the nation in turnovers gained (26), No. 2 in turnover margin (1.45), No 2 in the nation in defensive TDs (4) and No. 3 in fumbles recovered (11).



WEEKLY MEDIA SCHEDULE

MONDAY

••4 p.m. PT--Trojans Live with Coach Riley and a player/coach guest

TUESDAY

••USC practice closed to media. Coach Riley and offensive players available to media after practice

WEDNESDAY

••USC practice closed to media. Coach Lynn, defensive players and specialists available to media after practice

THURSDAY

••USC practice closed to media, no interviews
••No media zoom due to Thanksgiving

FRIDAY

••USC practice closed to media, no interviews

SATURDAY

••12:30 p.m. PT --USC vs. Notre Dame, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
••Coach Riley and various players available to media after game in press room.

SUNDAY

••No USC practice, no interviews

All times subject to change

USC ONLINE MEDIA CENTER—An online media center at USCTrojans.com/fb-media includes photos and video of USC practices, as well as links to pressers and weekly game notes. On game days, the media center houses media guides, flip card, game program, photos, video, final stats, notes and quotes. Contact Katie Ryan for the login/password.

USC WEBSITE—USC's athletic website is USCTrojans.com. Live Stats are available there. USC Athletics also is on Twitter ([Twitter.com/USC_Athletics](https://twitter.com/USC_Athletics)), Facebook ([Facebook.com/USCTrojans](https://facebook.com/USCTrojans)), Instagram ([Instagram.com/USC_Athletics](https://instagram.com/USC_Athletics)) and YouTube (YouTube.com/USCAthletics). The USC Trojan Text Alert program allows fans to get real-time Trojans news (text "Trojans" to 51234). There also are free apps for USCTrojans.com and USC Game Day.

COLLEGE PRESS BOX—The official media website for Division I football is CollegePressBox.com. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. For access, go to collegepressbox.com/register.

SENIOR DAY

• USC's seniors will be appearing in their final home game in the Coliseum. They will be introduced individually prior to kickoff as they run onto the field through the Heritage Tunnel comprised of former Trojan players.

HEISMAN HOMECOMING

• USC Heisman Trophy winner **Caleb Williams** will return to the Coliseum on Saturday for his jersey retirement ceremony.
• He will lead the Trojans out of the tunnel.
• Williams was selected No. 1 overall by the Chicago Bears in the first round of the 2024 NFL Draft.

• With Williams' No. 1 overall selection, USC now holds the record for most players (6) selected as the top pick of the NFL draft. Williams joins Ron Yary (1968), O.J. Simpson (1969), Ricky Bell (1977), Keyshawn Johnson (1996) and Carson Palmer (2003) as No. 1 overall picks to come out of Troy.

• Williams had a record-breaking career while at USC. He leaves Troy holding the USC single-season record for total offense (4,919 yards), most touchdowns scored rushing and passing (52), passing completions (333), passes attempted (500), most passing yards gained (4,537), most touchdown passes thrown (42), most rushing and passing plays (613), lowest rate of interceptions (1%, 5 in 500 attempts) and highest passing efficiency rating (168.5). He is tied for the USC single-season record for most consecutive 5-touchdown pass games with 2 (tied with Sam Darnold in 2016 and Kedon Slovis in 2020). He holds the USC single-game record for most yards running and passing (503 vs. UCLA in 2022). His 382 rushing yards in 2022 were the most by a Trojan quarterback in the last 70 years when complete records were first available. He leaves USC fifth on USC's career total offense leaderboard (8,688 yards) and eighth on career passing (599 completions).

In 2023, Williams led Riley's high-powered brand of offense, resulting in USC ranking No. 3 in the nation in scoring offense (41.8), No. 3 in team passing efficiency (170.88), No. 5 in passing offense (333.0) and No. 10 in total offense (467.6). Williams ranked in the national Top 20 in points responsible for per game, points responsible for, passing efficiency, passing yards per game, passing touchdowns, yards per pass attempt, total offense, passing yards, completion percentage, passing yards per completion and completions per game. He went 266-for-388 (.686) for 3,633 yards and 30 TDs with just 5 INTs. Williams also rushed for 121 yards on 99 carries (1.2 avg.) with 11 TDs. He accounted for 41 total TDs (both passing and running) in 12 games. He also tallied 1 reception for 15 yards.

• After transferring from Oklahoma in the spring of 2022, Williams was instrumental in successfully turning around a program that went 4-8 in the 2021 season to an 11-3 team in 2022. The 7-victory increase from 2021 matches the biggest one-season turnaround in USC history. The other 7-game improvement was when the 1962 National Champion Trojans won 11 games after winning only 4 in the 1962 season.

• Williams had a historic 2022 season as the starting quarterback at USC which culminated in him being named the 88th recipient of the Heisman Trophy. He is USC's eighth winner of college football's most prestigious award. Williams joined an impressive fraternity of Trojan greats who have earned his award before him: Mike Garrett (1965), O.J. Simpson (1968), Charles White (1979), Marcus Allen (1981), Carson Palmer (2002), Matt Leinart (2004) and Reggie Bush (2005). He was named the 2022 Walter Camp Player of the Year (joining 5 other Trojans to have been so honored, Simpson in 1967 and 1968, White in 1979, Allen in 1981, Leinart in 2004 and Bush in 2005).

• He was also named the 2022 AP Player of the Year (joining Leinart in 2004 and Bush in 2005). He won the 2022 Maxwell Award, presented to the best player in college football (joining Simpson in 1968, White in 1979 and Allen in 1981). He was named the 2022 Sporting News College Football Player of the Year (joining Simpson 1968, White, 1979, Allen 1981, Palmer, 2002 and Bush 2005). He was also named the 2022 CBS Sports Player of the Year, the 2022 Action Sports Player of the Year, the 2022 CFPA National Performer of the Year and the 2022 DC Touchdown Club Player of the Year. He was a Unanimous All-American being selected to the First Team for AP, Football Coaches, Football Writers, Walter Camp and Sporting News. He was selected as the 2022 Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Year and was named to the 2022 All-Pac-12 First Team, the AP All-Pac-12 First Team and the Phil Steele All-Pac-12 First Team. Overall in 2022, he completed 333-of-500 passes (.666) for 4,537 yards and 42 TDs with just 5 INTs, plus he rushed for 382 yards on 113 carries (3.4 avg.) with 10 TDs. He also recorded 2 punts for 84 yards (42.0 avg.) with a long of 58 yards. He was first nationally in passing TDs (42, first in Pac-12) and points responsible for per game (22.3, first in Pac-12). He was third nationally in passing yards (4,537) and fourth nationally in passing yards per game (324.1). He was fifth nationally in passing efficiency (168.5, first in Pac-12) and total offense (351.4). He was seventh nationally in yards per pass attempt (9.07, first in Pac-12).

• He dazzled the nation with his elusive moves, powerful arm and thrilling runs. Throughout his USC career, he recorded 72 TDs and only 10 INTs. He went 599-for-888 (.675) for 8,170 yards. Williams also rushed for 503 yards on 212 carries (2.8 avg.) with 21 TDs. He accounted for 93 total TDs (both passing and running) in 26 games as a Trojan.

2024 SCHEDULE

• A new era begins for the Trojans as USC enters the Big Ten Conference -- new opponents, new stadiums and a Rose Bowl worthy matchup every weekend.

• The Trojans will play six home games in 2024. Troy will welcome league opponents Wisconsin, Penn State, Rutgers and Nebraska to the Coliseum as well as non-conference foes Utah State and Notre Dame. USC will visit Michigan, Minnesota, Maryland, Washington and UCLA on the road. The Trojans opened the 2024 season with a neutral site game and a 27-20 victory against LSU at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas.

• USC will have byes on Sept 14 and Nov. 9.

• Coming out with a bang, the Trojans faced traditional powerhouse **LSU** in the Vegas Kickoff Classic on Sept 1 and won 27-20 to kick of the 2024 season.

• USC returned to Los Angeles for its home opener against **Utah State** on Sept. 7. The Trojans' inaugural Big Ten matchup was in the Big House -- a stage worthy of such a debut. USC traveled to **Michigan** (with new head coach Sherrone Moore) on Sept. 21 for this iconic game which kicked off a new era of Trojan football. USC fell to the Wolverines 24-27 and are now 6-5 all-time against Michigan. The Trojans then returned home to the Coliseum to host **Wisconsin** on Sept. 28. USC now holds a 7-1 record against the Badgers after defeating Wisconsin 38-21.

• Another road game awaited USC as the Trojans visited **Minnesota** on Oct. 5 and lost 17-24. The Trojans are now 6-2-1 against the Gophers. Back at home on Oct. 12, USC challenged a familiar opponent, the **Penn State** Nittany Lions. USC fell in a devastating 30-33 overtime loss to Penn State. The Trojans then traveled back east for a first-time match up versus **Maryland** on Oct. 19 (USC lost 28-29). Wrapping up October, USC welcomed **Rutgers**, another new opponent, to the Coliseum on Oct. 25. The Trojans won 42-20.

• USC then traveled to **Washington** (with new head coach Jedd Fisch) on Nov. 2 for a familiar match up. USC fell in a tight game 21-26. On Nov. 16, the Trojans hosted **Nebraska** in the Coliseum and collected a 28-20 win. USC traveled to the Rose Bowl to challenge crosstown rival **UCLA** (with new head coach DeShaun Foster), won 19-13 and brought the Victory Bell back home to Troy. USC returns back to the Coliseum for its final home game of the 2024 season against Notre Dame. The greatest intersectional rivalry in college football will be played on Nov. 30.

• The 2024 season will conclude with the annual **Big Ten Football Championship Game** on Dec. 7 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis, which will feature the top two teams in the overall conference standings at the end of the regular season, with the winner earning the Big Ten Championship.

LAST YEAR

• The 2023 Trojans went 8-5 and 5-4 in Pac-12 play. Riley's high-powered brand of offense, led by defending Heisman Trophy winner **QB Caleb Williams**, put up points all season resulting in USC ranking No. 3 in the nation in scoring offense (41.8), No. 3 in team passing efficiency (170.88), No. 5 in passing offense (333.0) and No. 10 in total offense (467.6). Williams ranked in the national Top 20 in points responsible for per game, points responsible for, passing efficiency, passing yards per game, passing touchdowns, yards per pass attempt, total offense, passing yards, completion percentage, passing yards per completion and completions per game. He was a finalist for the Manning Award and Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award. Williams was selected as the No. 1 pick in the 2024 NFL Draft by the Chicago Bears. In addition to being the only head coach to tutor three Heisman Trophy winning quarterbacks, Riley now holds the record for most quarterbacks coached who have been selected at No. 1 all-time (Baker Mayfield in 2018, Kyle Murray in 2019 and Williams in 2024). In seven years as a head coach, Riley is now also tied for the most No. 1 overall draft selections coached at any position with Georgia's Wally Butts (Frank Sinkwich in 1943, Charley Trippi in 1945 and Harry Babcock in 1953) who coached the Bulldogs from 1939 to 1960.

• Also in 2023, freshman wide receiver and electric return specialist **Zachariah Branch** was named USC's first-ever true freshman First Team All-American for his special teams efforts. Branch also won the Jet Award presented annually to the nation's most outstanding return specialist. He was the first Trojan since Adoree' Jackson in 2016 to have a punt return and kickoff return for a TD, as well as at least one receiving TD in the same season. Jackson had 2 punt returns and 2 kickoff returns for TDs and 1 TD reception during the 2016 season. Since 1971 (when records are available) Branch is one of just 3 USC players to accomplish the feat, joining Jackson and Curtis Conway (1992 - 1 kickoff return TD, 1 punt return TD, 5 rec TDs).

• The Trojans wrapped up the season on a high-note with a thrilling Holiday Bowl victory as **QB Miller Moss** stepped in leading the Trojans to defeat No. 16 Louisville 42-28. Moss, the Holiday Bowl Offensive MVP, threw 6 touchdown passes setting the record for most touchdown passes thrown in a Holiday Bowl, most touchdown passes thrown in a USC bowl game, most touchdown passes thrown by a USC QB is his first Trojan start and tied the Pac-12 Bowl Game passing touchdown record.

WR Tahj Washington also amassed 1,000 yards for the first time in his career. **S Calen Bullock** and **RET Zachariah Branch** were named to the All-Pac-12 First Team. Seven total Trojans (**Williams, Washington, Bullock, RB MarShawn Lloyd, OL Jarrett Kingston, WR Brenden Rice** and **RUSH Solomon Byrd**) were drafted in 2024, marking the most USC players drafted since 2011.

COACHING CHANGES

• One of the more popular tools these days for New Year's resolutions is a vision board. Vision boards give tangibility to our goals, allow us to think deeply about our desires and manifest them into reality.

• USC head coach **Lincoln Riley** created his own version of a vision board when manifesting his ultimate defensive coaching staff.

• "We rolled a whiteboard into my office, and we said our goal was to find the right coordinator, and then we wanted to find the best developers. Who do we think are the best developers of defensive talent, culture, all of that," said Riley. "We ended up with seven names on the board. And it was the dream list -- if you could get anyone, who would it be? And we ended up hiring four of those seven. So we batted a pretty decent percentage."

• The Trojans welcomed Defensive Coordinator **D'Anton Lynn** who previously held the same role at UCLA and has also coached in the NFL. Lynn completely transformed the Bruin defense elevating UCLA's defense from ranking No. 87 in 2022 to finishing the 2023 season ranked No. 10 in the nation.

• Former Los Angeles Rams defensive line coach **Eric Henderson** was named Co-Defensive Coordinator/Run Game Coordinator/Defensive Line Coach. A Super Bowl Champion and award-winning coach, Henderson brings his philosophy of "Dawg Work", discipline, attitude, work ethic and grit, to establish a new culture in the defensive line room.

• **Matt Entz**, a two-time FCS national championship winning head coach at North Dakota State was named Assistant Head Coach for Defense/Linebackers Coach. The two-time FCS National Coach of the Year brings a unique perspective to the defensive staff.

• Houston's former defensive coordinator **Doug Belk** was welcomed to Troy as the Secondary Coach. Belk has been considered one of the biggest rising stars in college football's coaching landscape, and every new member of USC's defensive staff has either been a defensive coordinator or a head coach.

• After Kiel McDonald took a new job with the Los Angeles Chargers, USC hired former TCU running backs coach **Anthony Jones Jr.** as Running Backs Coach/Run Game Coordinator. He worked side-by-side with former TCU offensive coordinator Garrett Riley (Lincoln's brother) and helped to coach the Horned Frogs to the 2022 College Football Playoff National Championship.

• This summer, the Division I Council on Tuesday approved a rule change adopted by the Football Bowl Subdivision and Football Championship Subdivision Oversight Committees to permit any staff member to provide technical and tactical instruction to student-athletes. With this rule change, three staff members were elevated to new roles.

• **Ryan Dougherty**, a longtime analyst with Lincoln Riley, was officially named Special Teams Coordinator. **Zach Crabtree**, former offense analyst, was promoted to Assistant Offensive Line Coach. Finally, legendary Trojan safety **Taylor Mays**, previously a defensive analyst, was promoted to Assistant Defensive Backs Coach.

QUARTERBACKS

• Although USC's loses 2022 Heisman Trophy-winning and USC record-holding quarterback Caleb Williams as the No. 1 pick in the 2024 NFL Draft, there is much to be excited about ahead of the upcoming season.

• USC fans witnessed what redshirt junior **Miller Moss** is capable of in the 2023 Holiday Bowl. In the modern era of college football where instantaneous gratification is demanded and where patience is not often a virtue, USC QB Miller Moss changed the narrative. After backing up Caleb Williams (the 2022 Heisman Trophy winner) for two seasons who chose to opt out of the bowl game, Moss went 23-of-33 for 372 yards and 6 TDs in his first USC start. In his 3-year career at USC, the Holiday Bowl MVP is 66-for-92 (71.7%) for 914 yards with 9 TDs and has rushed for 27 yards on 10 attempts in 12 games with 1 start. He holds the record for most TD passes thrown in a Holiday Bowl (6), most TD passes thrown in a USC bowl game (6), most TD passes thrown by a USC QB is his first Trojan start (6) and tied the Pac-12 Bowl Game passing TD record (6).

• Joining the Trojans last spring from the portal was redshirt sophomore **Jayden Maiava** from UNLV. As a redshirt freshman in 2023, Maiava led UNLV to its most wins since 1984 and a first-ever appearance in the Mountain West Championship. Maiava was named the 2023 Mountain West Freshman of the Year and the 2023 College Football Network Freshman Quarterback of the Year. He earned placement on the 2023 All-Mountain West Second Team and the 2023 Phil Steele All-Mountain West Second Team. He set the Mountain West record for Freshman of the Week honors with five.

• Redshirt junior **Jake Jensen** and junior **Gage Roy** also return to Riley's quarterback room.

• Newcomers **Dylan Gebbia**, a transfer from North Texas, and **Jack Stupin**, a freshman from Tustin HS, add needed depth to the group.

--Moss went 27-of-36 (.750) for 378 yards (a career-best) and 1 TD with no INTs against **LSU**. He also rushed for -8 yards on 2 carries. He is the first Trojan starting quarterback to debut with back-to-back wins over ranked teams since records available in 1971. He has started two games in his career: Holiday Bowl MVP in his debut and Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week in his second. Per PFF, Moss was the third highest-graded QB in the nation with a grade of 93.4 (just behind Ole Miss' Jaxon Dart [95.7] and Purdue's Hudson Card [94.9]). Moss, with a plethora of aerial options, spread the ball around to 10 different receivers, with 6 of them recording at least 45 yards or more. He earned Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week. This marks the first official Big Ten honor for a Trojan football player.

--Moss went 21-for-30 for 229 yards and a TD with no INTs against **Utah State**. He also rushed for 7 yards on 1 carry. After week 2, Moss was the second highest rated starting QB in the Big Ten (10th among all QBs) per PFF with a 90.8 grade. Maiava, USC's first Polynesian QB, made his Trojan debut. He went 8-for-11 for 66 yards and recorded 1 carry for 7 yards to score a TD.



--Moss went 28-for-51 (.549) for 283 yards with a season-high 3 TDs and 1 INT against Michigan. The last time a USC recorded at least 51 attempts in a game was when former Heisman Trophy winner Caleb Williams recorded 52 passing attempts against Tulane in the 2023 Cotton Bowl. Moss also recorded 5 carries for -27 yards.

--Moss went 30-of-45 (.667) with 3 TDs and 1 INT against Wisconsin. He also tallied 5 carries for 17 yards, including calling his own number, rushing 7-yards with a successful spin move and dive into the end zone to score a TD. Maiava recorded 1 carry for 7 yards.

--Moss went 23-for-38 (.605) with 1 TD and 2 INTs against Minnesota. He also recorded 2 carries for -9 yards.

--Moss went 20-for-34 (.588) with 2 TDs and 1 INT against Penn State. He also recorded 1 carry for -4 yards.

--Moss went 34-for-50 (.680) with 3 TDs and 1 INT against Maryland. He also recorded 3 carries for -6 yards.

--Moss went 20-for-28 (.714) with 2 TDs and no INTs against Rutgers. He also recorded 1 carry for 7 yards and a TD. Moss also recorded 1 punt for 39.0 yards. Maiava tallied 1 carry for 13 yards.

--Moss went 30-for-50 (.600) with 2 TDs and 3 INTs against Washington. He also rushed for 5 yards on 1 carry.

--Maiava went 25-for-35 (.714) for 259 yards with 3 TD passes and 1 TD run in his first career start as a Trojan against Nebraska. His 3 TD passes tied a career-best (he did this twice in 2023 against New Mexico and Kansas) and the 4 total TDs are a single-game career-best. This was his third-career game with a passing TD and a rushing TD (Vanderbilt and Wyoming in 2023). He rushed for 20 yards on 5 carries. He also recorded 1 tackle.

--Maiava went 19-for-35 (.543) for 221 yards with 1 TD against UCLA. He also rushed for -9 yards.

RUNNING BACKS

• USC will feel the impact of losing MarShawn Lloyd who was drafted by the Green Bay Packers as the fourth overall running back off the board in the third round of the 2024 NFL Draft.

• Redshirt senior transfer **Woody Marks**, a record-breaking running back from Mississippi State, brings veteran experience to a youthful room. In his 4-year career at Mississippi State (2020-23), he recorded 410 carries for 1,883 yards (4.6 avg.) with a long of 52 yards and 22 TDs. He also tallied 214 receptions for 1,225 yards (4.8 avg.) with a long of 32 and 5 TDs. He was the first in MSU history with 214 career receptions, and also has the most receiving yards by a running back (1,225) in Mississippi State history. He holds the MSU record for consecutive games with a catch (45), which is the longest active streak nationally.

• The running back room will be full of fresh faces looking to make a big impact. Trojan fans saw glimpses of redshirt freshman **Quinten Joyner** in 2023, who saw action in 5 games as a true freshman. He recorded 18 carries for 125 yards (6.9 avg.) with a long of 47 yards and scored 1 TD. He also had 1 catch for 7 yards.

• Redshirt freshman **A'Marion Peterson** (2 carries for 14 yards [7.0 avg.]) looks to make his mark this season.

• Four-star recruit, freshman **Bryan Jackson**, the 2023 District 5-6A Offensive MVP out of McKinney HS in Texas, enrolled at USC in January and participated in spring ball.

• USC also added sophomore **Cian McKelvey** and freshman **King Miller** to the running back room.

--Marks led the Trojans with 68 rushing yards on 16 carries and 2 TDs against LSU. He also recorded 3 receptions for 7 yards. Marks extended his streak of consecutive games with a catch to 46, which is the longest active streak in the nation. Joyner rushed for 12 yards on 4 carries and had 1 catch for 4 yards.

--Marks led the Trojans with 13 carries for 103 rushing yards (7.9 avg.) with 1 TD against Utah State. It was his third career 100-yard rushing game. Marks' 103 rushing yards were prior to the end of the first half. The last Trojan to record at least 100 rushing yards in the first half was Ronald Jones II who rushed for 109 rushing yards in the first game of the Arizona State game in 2017. Marks' 33-yard run in the first quarter was a career-long. His previous career-best run was 32 yards, which was set last season while with Mississippi State. He also recorded 3 receptions for 39 yards. Joyner recorded a career-high 10 carries for a career-high 84 yards (8.4 avg.) and 2 TDs. He also recorded 1 reception for 9 yards. Jackson had his first 7 carries as a Trojan, rushing for 34 yards (4.9 avg.). He also recorded 1 catch for no gain. Peterson had a career-high 3 carries for a career-high 18 yards (6.0 avg.) with his first career TD.

--Marks led the Trojans with 13 carries for 100 rushing yards (7.7 avg.) against Michigan. It was his fourth career 100-yard rushing game and his second consecutive 100-yard rushing game. He also recorded 5 receptions for 40 yards. In a key moment, he ripped the football out of Michigan DT Kenneth Grant's hand after the big defensive tackle had recovered a fumble for Michigan. Marks also tallied 1 tackle. Joyner tallied 3 carries for 23 yards. He also had 2 catches for 6 yards.

--Marks led the Trojans with 19 carries for 63 yards against Wisconsin. He also recorded 4 receptions for 29 yards. Joyner tallied 6 carries for 49 yards and had 1 catch for 10 yards. Jackson had 4 carries for 12 yards.

--Marks led the Trojans with 20 carries for 134 yards against Minnesota. It was his fifth career 100-yard rushing game. He also tallied 4 receptions for 30 yards. Joyner had 4 carries for 44 yards, while Jackson recorded 1 carry for 2 yards.

--Marks led the Trojans with 20 carries for 111 yards against Penn State. It was his sixth career 100-yard rushing game. He also tallied 2 receptions for 44 yards. Joyner tallied 3 carries for 82 yards and 1 TD. He also had 2 catches for 12 yards and 1 TD. Joyner's 75-yard rushing TD was a career-long run and the longest play from scrimmage by a Trojan this season. It was also the longest rush by a Trojan since Ronald Jones II had an 86-yard TD run at Washington State on Sept. 29, 2017, as well as the longest from scrimmage by the Trojans since Tahj Washington had a 76-yard TD catch versus San Jose State on Aug. 26, 2023. Joyner is the first Trojan to have a rushing and receiving TD in the same game since Austin Jones had a rushing and receiving TD versus California on Oct. 28, 2023. This is also the second career 2 TD game for Joyner.

--Marks led the Trojans with 17 carries for 82 yards and 1 TD against Maryland. He surpassed his single-season career-high rushing record by collecting 661 rushing yards this season (former record was 582 yards at Mississippi State in 2022). Joyner tallied 3 carries for 6 yards. He also recorded 1 tackle when he took down Maryland DB Lavain Scruggs after he intercepted Moss in the third quarter.

--Marks led the Trojans with 15 carries for 94 yards and 3 TDs against Rutgers. The last Trojan with 3 rushing TDs in a game was Heisman Trophy winning QB Caleb Williams at Arizona on Oct. 7, 2023. The last time that USC had a running back with 3 rushing TDs in a game was RB Vavae Malepeai versus UCLA on Nov. 20, 2021. All of Marks' TDs were in the first half. The last player to score 3 rushing TDs in one half of play was Ronald Jones II on Nov. 4, 2017 against Arizona. He scored all 3 of his TDs in the second half of play. Marks also had 5 catches for 48 yards to extend his streak of consecutive games with at least one catch to 53, which is the longest active streak in the nation. Joyner had 3 carries for 14 yards and 1 catch for 10 yards.

--Marks led the Trojans with 22 carries for 123 yards and 1 TD against Washington. He also recorded 7 receptions for 26 yards. Joyner tallied 6 carries for 38 yards.

--Marks tallied 19 carries for a career-high 146 yards against Nebraska's No. 12 ranked rushing defense to mark his sixth 100-yard rushing game of the season and the eighth of his career. His six 100-yard rushing games are the most for any USC running back in the Lincoln Riley Era. Marks also eclipsed 1,000 yards for the first time in his career recording 1,065 yards in 2024. He currently ranks No. 29 in USC's all-time single-season rushing leaders. Marks, the ultimate playmaker, had 6 catches for 36 yards to extend his streak of consecutive games with at least one catch to 55, which is the longest active streak in the nation. Joyner had 7 carries for 19 yards. He also recorded 1 catch for 5 yards.

--Marks tallied 18 carries for 76 yards against UCLA. He recorded 4 catches for 25 yards. Joyner recorded 4 carries for 24 yards and tallied 2 receptions for 20 yards. Jackson recorded 1 tackle on special teams.

WIDE RECEIVERS

• USC will be missing the exciting playmakers of Tahj Washington and Brenden Rice who were both drafted in the seventh round to the Miami Dolphins and Los Angeles Chargers, respectively. However, the Trojan wide receiving corps will once again be a strength of the Trojan offense. With many players in the room now with a year of experience under their belt, 2024 looks to be a year of electric aerial production from some of the nation's brightest young players.

• Redshirt junior **Kyron Hudson**, the most-senior of the wide receiver room, saw action in 13 games (with 3 starts) as a redshirt sophomore in 2023. He had 17 receptions for 189 yards (11.1 avg.) with a long of 33 yards and scored 2 TDs, including 1 in the Holiday Bowl victory against Louisville. He also participated on special teams and recorded 1 tackle and 1 blocked punt.



• As a sophomore in 2024, **Zachariah Branch**, a First Team All-American, will look to be an active contributor to the Trojan receiving corps as well as a thrilling returner on special teams. He had a stellar debut season as a true freshman in 2023. He is USC's first-ever true freshman First Team All-American, after being named a USA Today First Team All-American as a returner, a PFF First Team All-American as a return specialist and a Sporting News First Team All-American as a punt returner. Branch was also named to the Walter Camp All-American Second Team and the FWAA All-American Second Team as a kick returner. He is the only freshman to earn placement on either of those teams. Additionally, he was named a Sports Illustrated Second Team All-American as a kick returner, a FOX Sports Second Team All-American as a kick returner, an Action Sports Second Team All-American as an all-purpose player, Phil Steele All-American Second Team as a specialist, a CBS Sports Honorable Mention All-American as a wide receiver/punt returner, a Sports Info Solutions All-American Second Teamer as a returner, a College Football News Honorable Mention Freshman All-American as a wide receiver, the College Football Network Freshman Specialist of the Year as a punt returner, a College Football Network Freshman All-American, a FWAA Freshman All-American, The Athletic First Team Freshman All-American, an All-Pac-12 First Teamer as a return specialist, an All-Pac-12 Honorable Mention as an all-purpose/special teams player, AP All-Pac-12 Second Teamer, and a Phil Steele All-Pac-12 First Teamer as a punt returner. Additionally, he won the Jet Award which is presented annually to the nation's most outstanding return specialist. During the season, he was also named to The Sporting News and ESPN Midseason All-American Teams. He collected 31 catches for 320 yards (10.3 avg.) with a long of 36 yards and scored 2 TDs. Branch also rushed for 70 yards on 9 carries (7.8 avg.) with a long of 21 yards and scored 1 TD. As USC's return specialist, he tallied 442 yards on 24 kickoff returns (18.4 avg.) with a long of 96 yards and running one back for a TD. He also recorded 332 yards on 16 punt returns (30.8 avg.) with a long of 75 yards, also running one back for a TD. He saw action in 11 games (all but Colorado and Arizona) while starting 9. He is the first Trojan since Adoree' Jackson in 2016 to have a punt return and kickoff return for a TD, as well as at least one receiving TD in the same season. Jackson had 2 punt returns and 2 kickoff returns for TDs and 1 TD reception during the 2016 season. Since 1971 (when records are available) Branch is one of just 3 USC players to accomplish the feat, joining Jackson and Curtis Conway (1992 – 1 kickoff return TD, 1 punt return TD, 5 rec TDs). Branch also finished the season as the 2023 national statistical leader for punt returns (20.8).

• Fellow sophomores **Ja'Kobi Lane** (7 catches for 93 yards [13.3 avg.] with a long of 31 yards and 2 TDs), **Makai Lemon** (6 receptions for 88 yards [14.7 avg.] with a long of 40 yards and also saw action on defense) and **Duce Robinson** (16 receptions for 351 yards [21.9 avg.] with a long of 71 yards and 2 TDs and 1 blocked kick) will each have increased roles in 2024.

• Senior **Corey Nerhus** and redshirt junior **Josiah Zamora** also make up the USC wideout unit. Zamora was recently put on scholarship.

• USC welcomed redshirt senior transfer **Jaden Richardson** from Tufts to Troy last spring. In his 4-year career at Tufts (2020-23), he played in 22 games with 9 starts. As a senior in 2023, he was named to the All-NESECAC First Team and also was awarded the 2023 NESCAC Co-Offensive Player of the Year. Additionally, Richardson earned placement on the D3Football.com All-Region First Team and the D3Football.com All-American Fourth Team. He recorded 46 receptions for 830 yards (18.0 avg.) with a team-leading 13 TDs while playing and starting in all 9 games.

• Freshman **Xavier Jordan**, one of the nation's top high school prospects, enrolled in January at USC. He was rated as the No. 4 player in the state of California by On3, No. 7 by 247 Sports, No. 9 by ESPN and No. 12 by Rivals. He was touted as the No. 13 wide receiver in the country by On3, No. 15 by ESPN, No. 16 by 247Sports and No. 20 by Rivals. He was named a 2024 Under Armour All-American, a 2024 Polynesian Bowl All-Star and was invited to compete in the 2024 NBC All-American Bowl. In his senior season at Sierra Canyon (Calif.) HS in 2023, Jordan caught just 30 passes but turned it into 600 receiving yards (20.0 avg.) and 8 TDs.

• Over the summer, a familiar face rejoined the team. **Kyle Ford**, who played at USC from 2019-22, came back home to Troy for his final year of eligibility after a quick stint across town at UCLA during the 2023 season.

• USC also welcomed **Jay Fair** from Auburn. Fair caught 31 passes (second-most on the team) for 324 yards (10.5 avg.) and 2 TDs in 2023.

• USC also welcomed transfers **Charles Ross** (San José State) and **Donovan Wood** (Middlebury) as well as freshman **Seth Zamora** (Josiah's younger brother) to the wide receiver room.

--Hudson led the Trojans as he tallied a career-high 5 catches for 83 yards and 2 TDs against LSU. He made a "catch of the year" worthy one-handed, acrobatic catch in the second quarter mimicking Odell Beckham Jr.'s most famous catch. This play set up the first TD of the game as RB Woody Marks scored a 2-yard TD later in the drive to give USC a 7-0 lead. His second notable catch came in the fourth quarter during USC's final 75-yard drive. He made another one-handed catch and secured the ball into his body despite a blow (a targeting blow, at that) from an LSU defender. This game-changing play set up USC to lock down the victory with Mark's final TD of the game. Hudson's one-handed nab in the second quarter was No. 1 on Sunday's SportsCenter Top 10, while his fourth quarter highlight was ranked No. 3. Branch recorded 56 receiving yards on 5 catches, while Lane also caught 3 passes for 50 yards and 1 TD. Robinson tallied 2 catches for 49 yards and Ford had 2 receptions for 45 yards. Lemon notched 1 catch for 22 yards.

--Branch recorded 4 carries for 19 yards against Utah State. Lemon tallied 3 receptions for 23 yards and 1 TD. Ford collected 2 receptions for 35 yards. Lane had 2 catches for 16 yards. Fair also had 2 catches for 3 yards. Richardson notched 1 reception for 19 yards, while Hudson had 1 catch for 16 yards. Ross had 1 reception for 11 yards.

--Branch led the Trojans with a career-high 6 receptions for a career-high 98 yards against Michigan. Lane tallied 4 catches for 50 yards and 1 TD. Fair recorded 3 receptions for 42 yards and 1 TD, his first as a Trojan. Hudson had 3 receptions for 31 yards, and Robinson notched 2 catches for 19 yards and 1 TD.

--Lane led the Trojans with a career-best 10 catches for a career-best 105 yards and tied a career-best 2 TDs against Wisconsin. Branch had 4 receptions for 44 yards and also recorded 1 rush for 15 yards. Hudson tallied 4 catches for 42 yards, while Robinson made 2 catches for 40 yards and 1 TD. Ford notched 2 receptions for 24 yards.

--Hudson led the Trojans with 5 receptions for 54 yards against Minnesota. Robinson tallied 4 receptions for 39 yards with 1 TD. Lemon had 3 catches for 37 yards, while Branch recorded 3 receptions for 10 yards and 1 carry for 2 yards. Ford notched 2 receptions for 17 yards, and Lane had 2 catches for 13 yards.

--Lemon led the Trojans with 6 receptions for 73 yards against Penn State. Hudson tallied 4 catches for 36 yards and 1 TD, while Lane had 2 catches and 18 yards. Branch recorded 2 receptions for 6 yards. Robinson tallied 1 catch for 25 yards and 1 INT while he was playing on defense that he returned for 35 yards. Fair had 1 catch for 6 yards.

--Lemon led the Trojans with 8 receptions for 89 yards against Maryland. Lane recorded 4 catches for 51 yards and 1 TD, while Branch had 4 receptions for 43 yards. Hudson tallied 4 catches for 41 yards and 1 TD, while Robinson nabbed 3 receptions for 52 yards and 1 TD. Ford notched 2 catches for 14 yards, and Fair had 1 reception for 14 yards.

--Lemon had 4 receptions for a team-leading 134 yards (including 101 yards after catch) and 1 TD against Rutgers. He also tallied 3 kickoff returns for 122 yards. Lemon's kickoff return of 80 yards in the first quarter was the longest by a Trojan this season and the longest of his career. He is the first USC player with a return of 80 or more yards and a reception of 70 or more yards in the same game since Marqise Lee versus Oregon on Nov. 9, 2012. In that game, Lee had 408 total yards. This set up Marks for his second rushing TD of the night. Per PFF, Lemon had the highest offensive grade between both USC and Rutgers with a grade of 89.9. Lemon had a career-high 256 all-purpose yards against Rutgers and it is the most by a Trojan in a game this season. The last Trojan with more all-purpose yards in a game was Adoree' Jackson with 291 versus Notre Dame on Nov. 26, 2016. Ford recorded 4 receptions for 45 yards and 1 TD, while Branch had 2 receptions for 26 yards. Lane tallied 2 catches for 18 yards, and Fair recorded 1 reception for 13 yards.

--Lemon had 9 receptions for 70 yards and 1 TD against Washington. Branch had a team-leading 102 yards on 6 receptions and also recorded 1 tackle. Lane recorded 3 catches for 47 yards and had 1 tackle. Hudson tallied 1 reception for 19 yards. Ford notched 1 reception for 9 yards and 1 TD, while Robinson had 1 catch for 5 yards.

--Branch had 6 receptions for 41 yards and 1 TD against Nebraska. Robinson recorded 4 catches for a team-leading 90 yards and 1 TD. His 48-yard TD was his longest catch of the season and the second-longest TD catch of his career (a 71-yarder vs. Nevada in 2023). Robinson has 5 TD catches this season, tied with WR Ja'Kobi Lane for the team lead. He tied a career-high with 4 catches (his fourth time) for a career-high 90 yards, plus a TD catch. Hudson tallied 3 receptions for 35 yards and 1 TD. Ford recorded 2 catches for 28 yards, while Lemon had 2 receptions for 15 yards.

--Hudson recorded 6 receptions for 79 yards against UCLA. Lemon tallied 2 catches for 69 yards. He also was 1-for-1 (1,000) in passing. Branch had 2 receptions for 13 yards and Robinson had 1 catch for 14 yards. Lane tallied 1 reception for 4 yards and 1 TD.

TIGHT ENDS

• Redshirt junior **Lake McRee** leads the tight end position group as its most experienced member. In

2023, he saw action in 12 games with 4 starts and recorded 26 catches for 262 yards (10.1 avg.) scoring 1 TD.

• After moving to the offensive side of the ball to play tight end in 2023, redshirt sophomore **Carson Tabaracci** recorded 1 reception for 32 yards and 4 tackles on special teams while seeing action in 12 games in 2023. He recorded his first reception in the Holiday Bowl versus Louisville.

• Redshirt freshman **Kade Eldridge**, who also saw brief action in the Holiday Bowl, and untested redshirt senior **CJ Woods** comprise the remaining Trojan tight end returners.

• Freshman **Joey Olsen**, the No. 1 player in the state of Oregon, enrolled in January and participated in spring practice. He earned 2023 Oregon All-State 6A First Team and 2023 All-Three Rivers League First Team honors coming out of Lakeridge HS.

• Freshman **Walter Matthews**, the No. 2 tight end in the nation, and freshman **Walker Lyons**, a 2023 Under Armour All-American who just finished serving his Mormon mission in Norway, arrived this summer to bolster an already talented tight end room.

--McRee, coming off a torn ACL right before 2023 Holiday Bowl, had a spectacular first game back recording 5 receptions for 56 yards (11.2 avg.) and making key blocks against LSU. Eldridge, in his first career start, recorded 1 catch for 6 yards.

--McRee led the Trojans with 81 yards on 4 receptions (20.3 avg.) versus Utah State. He had a career-long reception of 34 yards in the second quarter. Lyons made his Trojan debut with 3 receptions for 17 yards. Eldridge recorded 1 catch for 11 yards.

--McRee recorded 3 catches for -3 yards against Michigan. He exited the game with an injury.

--Lyons recorded 2 receptions for 12 yards against Wisconsin. Eldridge had 1 catch for 2 yards.

--The tight ends did not record any stats against Minnesota.

--The tight ends did not record any stats against Penn State.

--McRee recorded 4 receptions for 35 yards against Maryland.

--McRee tallied 1 catch for 14 yards against Rutgers.

--McRee recorded 3 receptions for 15 yards against Washington.

--McRee tallied 1 reception for 9 yards against Nebraska.

--McRee recorded 2 receptions for 36 yards against UCLA.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

• The USC offensive line unit returns 6 Trojans who have at least 1 game of starting experience. While two-time captain Justin Dedich's big personality and leadership and Jarrett Kingston's wealth of experience will be missing from the trenches, fellow 2023 captain redshirt senior **Jonah Monheim** will step in as the most veteran of the group. He started all 13 games, 12 times at left tackle and 1 time at right guard. He was named to the AP All-Pac-12 Second Team and Phil Steele All-Pac-12 Fourth Team. During spring ball, Monheim made his official transition to center.

• Redshirt senior **Emmanuel Pregnon** (saw action in all 12 games with 12 starts at left guard) and redshirt junior **Mason Murphy** (played 13 games with 5 starts at right guard) return with significant playing experience.

• Redshirt senior **Gino Quinones**, a 2022 starter, saw action in 2 games with 1 start before suffering a season-ending injury that sidelined him for the remainder of the 2023 season. He will be back to compete for playing time in 2024.

• Sophomore **Alani Noa** (saw action in 6 games with 1 start at left guard) and redshirt freshman **Elijah Paige** (saw action in 5 games with 1 start at left tackle) each bring starting experience to the room. Noa became the first USC true freshman to start at left guard in a season opener since Toa Lobendahn started the opener at left guard in 2014 vs. Fresno State on Aug. 30. The last true freshman to start any game at left guard for USC was Courtland Ford in 2020 vs. Washington State on Dec. 6.

• Other offensive linemen returning are junior **Kilian O'Connor** (saw action in 7 games) and redshirt freshmen **Micah Banuelos** (saw action in 1 game), **Tobias Raymond** (saw action in 2 games), **Jack Susnjar** and **Amos Talalele** (saw action in 1 game).

• Freshmen **Kalolo Ta'aga** (2023 All-West Catholic Athletic League Second Team out of Bishop Riordan [Calif.] HS), **Justin Tauanuu** (2024 Polynesian Bowl All-Star from Huntington Beach [Calif.] HS) and **Kaylon Miller** (First Team All-Marmonte League out of Calabasas [Calif.] HS) participated in spring ball.

• Freshmen **Makai Saina** (2024 Under Armour All-American and a 2024 Polynesian Bowl All-Star from Martin HS [Texas]) and **Hayden Treter** (2023 All-State 5A First Team from Cherry Creek [Colo.] HS), joined the team this summer for camp.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against LSU.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Utah State.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Michigan.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Talalele (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Wisconsin.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Minnesota.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Penn State.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Maryland.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Rutgers.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Washington. Noa and Monheim each recorded 1 tackle.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against Nebraska. Noa and Monheim each recorded 1 tackle.

--Paige (LT), Pregnon (LG), Monheim (C), Noa (RG) and Murphy (RT) started against UCLA. Noa and Monheim each recorded 1 tackle.

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

• The Trojans lose defensive linemen Kyon Barrs, Jack Sullivan and Solomon Byrd, but retain other important members of the defensive trenches as well as welcome some new players, both experienced and freshmen.

• Redshirt senior **DE Jamil Muhammad** returns as a leader of the defense. He saw action in all 13 games making 12 starts as a redshirt junior in 2023. He decorated his stat sheet with 46 tackles, including 10.5 for loss of 47 yards (with a team-leading 6.5 sacks for minus 41 yards), 4 QB hurries, 2 forced fumbles, 1 INT and 1 PBU.

• Fellow redshirt seniors **DL Kobe Pepe** (4 tackles) and **DE Solomon Tuliaupupu** (sidelined for the 2023 season after suffering an injury during training camp) also return in 2024.

• Junior **DL Bear Alexander**, a true difference maker in the trenches, will once again be a force to be reckoned with. After transferring from Georgia, he made an immediate impact by recording 48 tackles, including 6.5 for loss (with 1.5 sacks). He led the team with 4 QB hurries, 2 forced fumbles, 1 fumble recovery and 1 PBU while appearing in all 13 games and starting 12 (all except California). He was named to the Phil Steele All-Pac-12 First Team and All-Pac-12 Honorable Mention.

• Junior **DE Anthony Lucas** (10 tackles, including 3.5 for loss) returns looking to make an impact.

• Sophomores **DL Elijah Hughes** (6 tackles, including 1.5 for loss [with 0.5 sacks]) and **DE Braylan Shelby** (18 tackles, including 4 for loss [with 2 sacks] and 1 fumble recovery) now have a year of experience under their belts. Redshirt sophomore **DT Devan Thompkins** (1 tackle) looks to increase his role in 2024.

• Redshirt freshman **DE Sam Greene** (1 tackle) and untested junior **DE Garrett Pomerantz** and **DE DJ Peevy** return to gain more experience this spring.

• **DL Nate Clifton** joined the Trojans for spring ball last semester. Clifton's 5-year career at Vanderbilt (2019-23), he had 93 tackles, including 12.5 for loss (with 7.5 sacks) 3 PBUs and 1 INT while appearing in 43 games with 37 starts.

• Three freshmen graduated early to join the Trojan squad last spring. **DT Jide Abasiri** (2023 AP Minnesota All-State First Team, the 2023 Star Tribune All-Metro First Team out of Prior Lake [Minn.] HS), **DE Lorenzo Cowan** (2023 5A Region 1 Defensive Player of the Year out of Jenkins [Ga.] HS) and **DE Kameryn Fountain** (2024 Under Armour All-American out of Booker T. Washington [Ala.] HS) arrived at Troy for spring ball.

• **DT Ratumana Bulabalavu** (2023 All-CIF San Diego Section First Team out of Army and Navy Academy [Calif.] and **DT Carlton Jones** (Texas District 12-4 Division 1 MVP out of Bay City [Texas] HS) officially joined the team this summer looking to make an impact.

• USC also welcomed transfer **DT Gavin Meyer**, an experienced defensive tackle from Wyoming.

--DE Shelby collected 3 tackles, including 1.0 for loss of 5 yards against LSU. DT Clifton and DT Meyer tallied 3 tackles, while DE Lucas had 2. DT Alexander, DE Muhammad and DE Tuliaupupu each collected 1 tackle.

--DE Fountain collected 3 tackles, including 1.5 for loss of 7 yards, against Utah State. DE Tuliaupupu, DE Muhammad and DT Abasiri each recorded 2 tackles. DT Meyer had 1 tackle and 1 PBU. DE Greene, DT Alexander and DE Shelby each recorded 1 tackle. DE Lucas collected 1 tackle and 1 PBU. DT Thompkins had 1 tackle, including 0.5 for loss of 3 yards (with 0.5 sack for minus 3 yards). DT Hughes had 1 tackle.

--DT Alexander recorded 3 tackles and 1 QBH against Michigan. DE Shelby tallied 3 tackles, including 1 for loss of 4 yards (with 1 sack for minus 4 yards). DEs Lucas and Muhammad also had 3 tackles each, while DT Meyer had 2 tackles and 1 blocked kick. Pepe tallied 1 tackle.

--DT Kobe Pepe recorded 4 tackles against Wisconsin. DT Clifton and DT Meyer each had 2 tackles and 1 PBU, while DE Muhammad and DE Lucas each had 2 tackles. DT Thompkins had 2 tackles and 1 PBU, while DE Tuliaupupu recorded 1 tackle.



--DE Muhammad recorded 4 tackles, including 0.5 for loss against Minnesota. DT Clifton had 3 tackles, including 0.5 for loss of 2 yards and 1 fumble recovery. DT Kobe Pepe tallied 3 tackles, while DE Thompkins had 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 6 yards (with 1 sack for minus 6 yards). DT Meyer notched 2 tackles and 1 PBU, while DE Shelby and DE Lucas each had 2 tackles. DE Tuliapupu and DT Greene each had 1 tackle.

--DE Lucas recorded 6 tackles against Penn State. DT Meyer and DT Abasiri each had 2 tackles. DE Muhammad recorded 2 tackles and 1 QBH. DE Thompkins had 2 tackles, and DT Clifton had 2 tackles, including 0.5 for loss of 1 yard. DE Greene had 2 tackles. DE Shelby and DT Pepe each had 1 tackle.

--DE Shelby recorded 3 tackles, including 1 for loss of 3 yards, against Maryland. DE-DT Thompkins tallied 3 tackles and 1 PBU, while DT Clifton also had 3 tackles and 1 PBU. DT Pepe, DE Muhammad and DE Tuliapupu each recorded 1 tackle. Tuliapupu also had 1 fumble recovery.

--DE/DT Thompkins recorded 6 tackles against Rutgers. DT Meyer had 4 tackles, including 2 for a loss of 10 yards (with 1 sack for minus 8 yards) and 2 QBHs. DE Tuliapupu tallied 4 tackles, while DE Greene notched 3 tackles, including 2 for loss of 6 yards (with 1 sack for minus 5 yards). DT Pepe recorded 3 tackles, DE Shelby had 2 tackles, 1 PBU and 1 QBH and DT Clifton notched 1 tackle. DT Fountain had 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard (with 1 sack for minus 1 yard) and 1 QBH. DT Abasiri and DT Hughes each recorded 1 tackle.

--DE Sam Greene recorded 4 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards, against Washington. DE Shelby had 4 tackles, DT Thompkins tallied 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard and 1 PBU. DT Meyer notched 2 tackles, while DT Pepe, DE Fountain, DT Clifton and DE Muhammad each had 1 tackle.

--DT Meyer had 5 tackles against Nebraska. DE Fountain recorded 4 tackles, while DE Tuliapupu tallied 3 tackles, including 1 for a loss of 1 yard (with 1 sack for minus 1 yard). DT Hughes recorded 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 5 yards (with his first career sack for minus 5 yards). DT Abasiri notched 2 tackles, and DT Pepe had 1. DT Thompkins recorded 1 tackle and DE Greene had 1 QBH.

--DT Meyer had 4 tackles and 1 QBH against UCLA. DE Muhammad recorded 3 tackles, DT Hughes tallied 2 tackles while DE Greene collected 2 tackles and 1 QBH. DT Clifton recorded 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 6 yards (with 1 sack for minus 6 yards), and DE Shelby had 1 tackle, including 1 for loss of 4 yards (with 1 sack for minus 4 yards) and 1 QBH. DE Fountain collected 1 tackle. DT Pepe tallied 1 PBU.

LINEBACKERS

• The Trojan linebacker corps returns a group of productive defenders while adding some new faces to the room.

• USC 2023 captain and redshirt senior **Mason Cobb** returns for his final season. He recorded a team-leading 85 tackles, including 7 for loss of 19 yards, 1 fumble recovery and 2 PBU while appearing in 11 games with 9 starts. He was named to the Phil Steele All-Pac-12 Second Team.

• Two more returning seniors with experience are **Raesjon Davis** (18 tackles, including 0.5 for loss, and 1 QB hurry) and **Eric Gentry** (46 tackles, including 4 for loss of 16 yards (with 1 sack), 5 PBUs, 1 INT, 1 forced fumble and 1 blocked kick). They both look to continue to make an impact.

• Also battling for action will be senior **Matt Galván** and redshirt sophomores **Garrison Madden** and **Roman Marchetti**.

• USC welcomed transfer senior **Easton Mascarenas-Arnold**. In his 3-year career at Oregon State (2021-23), he recorded 410 carries for 1,883 yards (4.6 avg.) with a long of 52 yards and 22 TDs. He appeared in 27 games (with 12 starts).

• Two freshmen, **Elijah Newby** (2023 Northeast Prep Football Conference All-League First Team out of Cheshire Academy [Conn.]) and the highly-recruited **Desman Stephens II** (U.S. Army All-American) enrolled in January and participated in spring ball.

• Fellow freshman **Jadyn Walker** (2023 Associated Press Division 1 & 2 All-State First Team) officially joined the team over the summer.

--Gentry had 7 tackles, a team-leading 2 TFLs for minus 2 yards and a PBU against LSU. Cobb also recorded 7 tackles and 1 key INT to secure the game late in the fourth quarter. Mascarenas-Arnold recorded 6 tackles.

--Gentry recorded 7 tackles, including 1.5 for loss of 7 yards (with 1 sack for minus 5 yards) against Utah State. Mascarenas-Arnold also collected 7 tackles and 1 INT for 5 yards. Davis had 2 tackles, while Stephens II recorded 2 tackles and 1 forced fumble. Madden collected 1 tackle.

--Gentry led the Trojans with 12 tackles, including 3 tackles for loss of 8 yards (with 1 sack for minus 6 yards) against Michigan. Mascarenas-Arnold had 7 tackles and 1 QBH. Cobb recorded 5 tackles, including 1.5 for loss of 4 yards. Davis had 2 tackles, while Madden recorded 1 tackle.

--Gentry recorded 4 tackles against Wisconsin. Cobb recorded 2 tackles. He also returned a 55-yard interception for a TD. It was Cobb's third career INT and his first-ever pick-6. Mascarenas-Arnold tallied 2 tackles, while Madden and Davis each had 1 tackle.

--Mascarenas-Arnold led the Trojans with 14 tackles, including 1 for loss of 4 yards against Minnesota. Cobb tallied 11 tackles and Newby had 1 tackle.

--Mascarenas-Arnold led the Trojans with 13 tackles and also recorded 1 INT against Penn State. Cobb had 6 tackles, while Stephens II had 1 tackle and 1 INT that he returned for 42 yards. Marchetti had 1 tackle on special teams.

--Mascarenas-Arnold recorded 7 tackles against Maryland. Cobb tallied 5 tackles, while Stephens II had 2 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard.

--Mascarenas-Arnold recorded a team-leading 11 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards (with 1 sack for minus 2 yards), and 1 QBH against Rutgers. Cobb notched 9 tackles and 1 PBU. Stephens II had 2 tackles.

--Mascarenas-Arnold had 7 tackles against Washington. Cobb tallied 7 tackles and 1 PBU. Beavers Jr. had 2 tackles. Stephens II notched 2 tackles, while Madden had 1 tackle.

--Cobb had a team leading 9 tackles, including 1 for loss of 3 yards and 1 PBU against Nebraska. Mascarenas-Arnold had 8 tackles and Stephens II had 1 tackle.

Cobb had a team-leading 7 tackles against UCLA. Mascarenas-Arnold recorded 6 tackles, including 1 for loss of 7 yards (with 1 sack for minus 7 yards) and Stephens II had 1 QBH.

DEFENSIVE BACKS

• The Trojans are losing All-American safety Calen Bullock who was drafted in the third round of the 2024 NFL Draft by the Houston Texans, but this room is thriving with veteran talent as well as youthful energy.

• Redshirt senior **S Bryson Shaw**, a Holiday Bowl captain, returns as an experienced member of the secondary. He recorded 57 tackles (fourth on the team), including 2.5 for loss (with 0.5 sack) a 1 pass breakup.

• Redshirt senior **CB Jacobe Covington** (12 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards, 1 INT and 1 PBU) will also compete for action.

• Senior **CB Jaylin Smith**, the Holiday Bowl Defensive MVP, looks to once again be a starter. In 2023, he recorded 75 tackles, including 5.5 for loss (with 1 sack), 1 forced fumble, 1 QB hurry and 1 PBU.

• Competing for playing time will be redshirt juniors **S Anthony Beavers Jr.** (18 tackles, 1 forced fumble and 1 fumble recovery) and **CB Prophet Brown** (8 tackles).

• Returning with experience is sophomore **S Christian Pierce** (7 tackles), while redshirt sophomore **S Zion Branch** looks to return from an injury that ended his 2023 season.

• Others in the mix are untested junior **S Brandon Shepherd**, junior **S Hunter Dunn** and redshirt freshman **CB Maliki Crawford**.

• USC welcomed four defensive back transfers from the portal. Redshirt senior **S Akili Arnold** arrived in January from Oregon State. In his 5-year career (2019-23), he had 151 tackles, including 5.5 for loss (with 0.5 sacks), 11 PBUs, 3 INTs, 3 QB hurries, 2 forced fumbles and 1 fumble recovering while appearing in 48 games with 25 starts. He has only allowed 1 TD over the past 3 seasons.

• Redshirt senior **CB John Humphrey** and redshirt sophomore **S Kamari Ramsey** both transferred across town from UCLA. In his 4-year career at UCLA, Humphrey recorded 76 tackles, including 1 for loss, 6 PBUs, 2 INTs, 2 forced fumbles and 1 fumble recovery while appearing in 39 games with 19 starts. As a redshirt freshman in 2023, Ramsey recorded 40 tackles, including 2.5 for loss, 5 PBUs and 1 INT while appearing in 11 games with 11 starts. Humphrey and Ramsey were both impact players this spring.

• Finally, redshirt senior **CB DeCarlos Nicholson** arrived at Troy from Mississippi State. In his 2-year career, he recorded 47 tackles, including 4 for loss and 3 PBUs while appearing in 25 games with 7 starts.

• Additionally, three freshmen joined the Trojan defensive back unit. **S Jarvis Boatwright Jr.** (2023 FAÇA All-District First Team out of Clearwater [Fla.] HS), **S Marquis Gallegos** (2022 CalHi Sports All-State First Team out of Sierra Canyon [Calif.]) and **CB Marcelles Williams** (2024 Polynesian Bowl All-Star and NBC All-American out of St. John Bosco [Calif.] HS) all competed this spring. Many returning Trojans noted the talent that they quickly observed from Williams during spring practice.

• During the summer, USC welcomed redshirt senior transfer **CB Greedy Vance Jr.** from Florida State. In his four-year college career (2 years at Florida State and 2 years at Louisville), he has collected 71 tackles, including 1 for loss, 4 INTs, 16 PBUs and 1 fumble recovery.

• Freshmen **CB Isaiah Rubin** (2023 Makasi Bowl participant out of Los Alamitos [Calif.] HS) and **CB Braylon Conley** (2023 All-VYPE Houston First Team out of Atascocita [Texas] HS) joined the Trojans in the summer.

--S Ramsey led the team with 9 tackles against LSU. CB Smith recorded 6 tackles while S Arnold had 5. CB Covington and CB Vance Jr. each nabbed 4 tackles and CB Humphrey recorded 3. CB Nicholson tallied 2 tackles while S Pierce recorded 1.

--S Ramsey had 3 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard (with 1 sack for minus 1 yard) against Utah State. CB Covington recorded 3 tackles, including 0.5 for loss of 2 yards. S Branch collected 3 tackles, while Arnold notched 2 tackles, including 0.5 for loss of 2 yards (with 0.5 sack for minus 2 yards). CB Vance Jr., CB Humphrey and S Pierce each had 1 tackle. CB Williams recorded 1 tackle, including 1 for loss of 1 yard and 1 PBU. CB Brown and S Gallegos each had 1 tackle. CB Conley collected 1 tackle, including 0.5 for loss of 3 yards.

--S Smith had 7 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard against Michigan. CB Covington and S Arnold each recorded 6 tackles, and Arnold had 1 PBU. S Ramsey had 3 tackles and 1 PBU. CB Vance Jr. notched 2 tackles.

--S Ramsey had 4 tackles, including 2 for loss of 6 yards against Wisconsin. CB Nicholson also had 4 tackles. CB Vance Jr. tallied 3 tackles and 1 PBU. S Branch and CB Humphrey each recorded 2 tackles. Covington had 1 tackle and 2 PBUs. Smith and Brown each notched 1 tackle.

--Arnold had 8 tackles against Minnesota. S Beavers Jr. (who is also playing LB) tallied 6 tackles, while CB Smith recorded 4 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards. CB Covington had 3 tackles, and S Ramsey recorded 1 tackle, 1 forced fumble and 1 QBH. CB Vance, S Shaw and CB Nicholson each recorded 1 tackle.

--S Ramsey had 10 tackles, including 0.5 for loss, and 2 PBUs against Penn State. S Arnold had 7 tackles, while CB Smith recorded 5. S Branch had 4 tackles and 2 PBUs, while CB Humphrey recorded 3 tackles and 1 PBU. CB Nicholson and S/LB Beavers Jr. each had 2 tackles. S Shaw and CB Brown each tallied 1 tackle.

--CB Smith led the Trojans with 11 tackles and 1 INT against Maryland. S Ramsey tallied 7 tackles, including 1 for loss of 18 yards (with 1 sack for minus 18 yards) and 2 PBUs. S Arnold had 6 tackles and 1 QBH. CB Vance Jr. recorded 5 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards, while CB Humphrey had 4 tackles. CB Nicholson tallied 3 tackles, and S Shaw had 1 tackle.

--S Shaw recorded 5 tackles and 1 PBU against Rutgers. CB Nicholson tallied 5 tackles and 2 PBUs, while CB Brown had 4 tackles and 1 PBU. S Branch notched 4 tackles, including 1 for loss of 9 yards (with 1 sack for minus 9 yards) and 1 PBU. S Arnold recorded 3 tackles, S Pierce had 3 tackles and CB Humphrey tallied 1 tackle and 2 PBUs.

--CB Smith had 7 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard, and 2 PBUs against Washington. S Branch and S Shaw each tallied 5 tackles, while CB Vance Jr. had 4. CB Humphrey, CB Brown and S Arnold each recorded 2 tackles, while CB Nicholson had 1.

--S Ramsey recorded 6 tackles, including 1 for loss of 1 yard against Nebraska. S Jaylin Smith had 6 tackles and 1 INT. CB Nicholson had 3 tackles and 2 PBUs, while CB Covington notched 2 tackles. S Shaw had 2 tackles, and Vance Jr. recorded 1 tackle and the game-winning INT. S Branch had 1 tackle, including 1 for loss of 1 yard. S Arnold and S Pierce each recorded 1 tackle.

--S Arnold had 6 tackles, while CB Covington recorded 5 tackles and 1 PBU against UCLA. S Smith, S Beavers Jr. and CB Vance Jr. each had 3 tackles. S Ramsey tallied 2 tackles, while CB Humphrey and CB Nicholson each recorded 1 tackle. Nicholson also had 1 PBU.

PUNTERS

• USC's starting punter, senior **Eddie Czaplicki** returns for another season. He averaged 43.3 yards on his 44 punts in 2023, of which 15 pinned opponents within the 20. He also had 30 kickoffs, totaling 1,906 yards.

• Also available are two transfer punters: junior **Rey Sanchez** (Long Beach CC) and **Cameron Shirangi** (Pomona Pitzer/Hawaii).

--Czaplicki averaged 55.3 yards on 3 punts (a career-best) with a long of 57 against LSU. He gave the Trojan defense great field position all game long.

--Czaplicki recorded 35.0 yards on 1 punt against Utah State.

--Czaplicki recorded a career-high average of 53.1 yards on 7 punts with a long of 60 yards, which is a season-best, against Michigan. He was instrumental in flipping the field as 5 of his 7 punts were over 50 yards (60 yards, 59 yards, 56 yards, 50 yards and 57 yards).

--Czaplicki averaged 38.7 yards on 3 punts against Wisconsin.

--Czaplicki averaged 56.0 yards on 2 punts against Minnesota. His second punt was a season-long of 62 yards.

--Czaplicki averaged 48.8 yards on 4 punts against Penn State.

--Czaplicki averaged 47.8 yards on 5 punts against Maryland.

--Czaplicki averaged 48.5 yards on 2 punts against Rutgers.

--Czaplicki averaged 37.5 yards on 2 punts against Washington.

--Czaplicki averaged 51.8 yards per punt against Nebraska on his 4 punts with 3 of the 4 going over 50 yards (51, 54 and 60) and all 4 pinned Nebraska inside of the 20, including a 60-yard punt to the Nebraska 1-yard line.

--Czaplicki averaged 47.0 yards per punt against UCLA on his 3 punts. All 3 punts pinned UCLA inside the 10 (7, 9 and 1 yard lines).

PLACEKICKERS

• During the summer, USC welcomed redshirt senior transfer

Michael Lantz to Troy. Lantz scored 114 points as Georgia Southern's starting kicker in 2023, going 45-of-45 (100%) on extra points and 23-of-28 (82.1%) on field goals with a season-long of 48.

• Redshirt junior **Denis Lynch** will also be back in 2024. Lynch scored 95 points for the Trojans going 65-of-66 (98.4%) on extra points and 10-of-14 (71.4%) on field goals. His season and career-long was a 53-yarder against Arizona State. This was also the third-longest field goal in program history. Lynch was perfect in field goals from 40-53 yards, going 3-for-3. He also recorded 60 kickoffs totaling 3,625 yards.

• Competing with Lantz and Lynch will be redshirt freshman **Tyler Robles** (1-of-1 in PATs and had 3 kickoffs for 174 yards).

• Senior **Garth White** is also an untested kicker.

• Freshman **Ryon Sayeri** from Chaminade (Calif.) HS also joined the squad in the fall looking to make an impact at kicker.

--Lantz made 3-of-3 PATs against LSU. He was 2-for-3 in FGs (22 and 35 yards and missed a 29-yarder). 4 of his 6 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 62.5 yards.

--Lantz made 6-of-6 PATs against Utah State. He was 2-for-2 in FGs (23 and 24 yards). 8 of his 9 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 64.6 yards.

--Lantz made 3-of-3 PATs against Michigan. He was 1-for-1 in FGs (29 yards). 4 of his 5 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 65.0 yards.

--Lantz made 5-of-5 PATs against Wisconsin. He was 1-for-1 in FGs (41 yards). 3 of his 7 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 65.0 yards.

--Lantz made 2-of-2 PATs against Minnesota. He was 1-for-2 in FGs (missing a 47-yarder, but making a career-long 54-yarder). 2 of his 3 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 65.0 yards.

--Lantz made 2-of-2 PATs against Penn State. He was 3-for-4 on FGs (making a 45-yarder, a 47-yarder and a 39-yarder while missing an overtime 45-yarder). 6 of his 7 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 64.9 yards.

--Lantz made 4-of-4 PATs against Maryland. He was 0-for-1 on FGs (missing a 41-yarder that was blocked). 4 of his 5 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 64.8 yards.

--Lantz made 6-of-6 PATs against Rutgers. 4 of his 7 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 63.3 yards.

--Lantz made 3-of-3 PATs against Washington. 2 of his 4 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 62.8 yards.

--Lantz made 4-of-4 PATs against Nebraska. 4 of his 5 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 65.0 yards. His 1 field goal attempt was blocked.

--Lantz made 1-of-1 PAT against UCLA. He was 4-of-4 in FGs (19, 23, 22 and 30 yards), and 4 of his 6 kickoffs were touchbacks with an average of 65.0 yards.

SNAPPERS

• USC welcomed redshirt junior transfer snapper **Hank Pepper**. In his 3-year career at Michigan State (2021-23), he played in 22 games as the Spartan's starting long snapper. He recorded 9 tackles and 1 fumble recovery.

• Also available is transfer snapper, junior **Devin McDonough** from El Camino College.

--Pepper recorded 1 tackle versus LSU.

--Pepper made a crucial play against Wisconsin by recovering a muffed punt at the Badgers' 30-yard line. This play by Pepper gave the Trojans a short field which ultimately resulted in USC scoring on a 6-yard pass from Moss to WR Ja'Kobi Lane.

--Pepper recorded 2 tackles versus Nebraska.

PUNT RETURNERS

• First Team All-American **Zachariah Branch** was also USC's primary punt returner. He finished the season as the 2023 national statistical leader for punt returns (20.8). He recorded 332 yards on 16 punt returns (30.8 avg.) with a long of 75 yards, also running one back for a TD. He is the first Trojan since Adoree' Jackson in 2016 to have a punt return and kickoff return for a TD, as well as at least one receiving TD in the same season. Since 1971 (when records are available) Branch is one of just 3 USC players to accomplish the feat, joining Jackson and Curtis Conway (1992 - 1 kickoff return TD, 1 punt return TD, 5 rec TDs).

• Sophomore **Makai Lemon** and freshmen **Desman Stephens II** and **Jarvis Boatwright Jr.** also have punt return experience. In the spring, **Xavier Jordan** also took reps returning punts.

--Branch fielded 1 punt return for 0 yards against LSU.

--Branch fielded 1 punt return for 4 yards against Utah State.

--Branch fielded 3 punt returns for 19 yards against Michigan.

--Branch fielded 2 punt returns for -8 yards against Wisconsin.

--There were no punt returns fielded against Minnesota.

--There were no punt returns fielded against Penn State.

--Branch fielded 1 punt for 19 yards against Maryland.

--There were no punt returns fielded against Rutgers.

--Branch fielded 2 punt returns for 2 yards against Washington.



--Branch fielded 1 punt for 9 yards against Nebraska.
--There were no punt returns fielded against UCLA.

KICKOFF RETURNERS

• All-American **Zachariah Branch** was USC's primary kickoff returner. He tallied 442 yards on 24 kickoff returns (18.4 avg.) with a long of 96 yards and running one back for a TD.

• Transfers **Jaden Richardson** and **Woody Marks**, sophomores **Quinten Joyner** and **Makai Lemon** and freshman **Jarvis Boatwright Jr.** also have kickoff return experience. In the spring, **Xavier Jordan** also took reps returning kickoffs.

--Branch, one of the most dangerous men in college football, recorded 1 kickoff return for 46 yards against LSU which took the momentum away from the Tigers. He was one half-step away from yet again taking a kickoff return to the house. **Lemon** also recorded 1 kickoff return for 8 yards.

--Branch recorded 1 kickoff return for 17 yards against Utah State.

--There were no kickoff returns against Michigan.

--There were no kickoff returns against Wisconsin.

--There were no kickoff returns against Minnesota.

--Branch recorded 2 kickoff returns for 29 yards against Penn State.

--Branch recorded 1 kickoff return for 13 yards against Maryland.

--Lemon recorded 3 kickoff returns for 122 yards against Rutgers.

Lemon's kickoff return of 80 yards in the first quarter was the longest by a Trojan this season and the longest of his career. He is the first USC player with a return of 80 or more yards and a reception of 70 or more yards in the same game since **Marqise Lee** versus Oregon on Nov. 9, 2012.

--Lemon recorded 4 kickoff returns for 101 yards against Washington. **Peterson** recorded a kickoff return for 14 yards.

--Lemon recorded 1 kickoff returns for 32 yards against Nebraska.

--Lemon recorded 3 kickoff returns for 88 yards against UCLA.

RANDOM NOTES

•••USC is the only FBS school never to have had surnames on the back of its jerseys.

•••USC is the only NCAA FBS (formerly Division I-A) schools that has never played an FCS (formerly non-Division I-A) opponent since the divisions were established in 1978.

•••Some 2024 schedule notes:

-- USC's home opener against Utah State was the Zero Waste Game.

-- USC's Sept. 21 away game against Michigan opened up a new era of USC football with its first Big Ten matchup of the 2024 campaign.

-- USC hasn't played at Washington since 2019.

-- USC's game versus Wisconsin on Sept. 28 was Trojan Family Weekend / B1G Premiere.

-- USC's Friday Night game versus Rutgers on Oct. 25 is the Salute to Service game.

-- USC's home game versus Nebraska on Nov. 16 is Homecoming.

•••USC's future non-conference schedule features home games versus Missouri State (2025), Georgia Southern (2025), Fresno State (2026, 2028), Nevada (2027) and UNLV (2027). Since 1926, USC has annually (except during World War II and in 2020 because of COVID-19 limitations) played Notre Dame in a home-and-home series that currently runs through 2026. Since 2000, Troy also has had Alabama, Ohio State, Texas, Auburn, Nebraska, Penn State, Arkansas, BYU, Virginia Tech, Kansas State, Syracuse, Boston College, Hawaii, Minnesota, Virginia, Fresno State, UNLV, Utah State, San Jose State, Rice, Western Michigan, Idaho, Nevada, LSU and Arkansas State on its regular season non-conference slate.

•••Thirty-two Trojans previously attended other 4-year schools: **DT Bear Alexander** (Georgia), **S Akili Arnold** (Oregon State), **DT Nate Clifton** (Vanderbilt), **LB Mason Cobb** (Oklahoma State), **CB Jacobe Covington** (Washington), **P Eddie Czapliski** (Arizona State), **WR Asante Das** (Georgetown), **WR Jay Fair** (Auburn), **WR Kyle Ford** (UCLA), **QB Dylan Gebbia** (Hawaii/North Texas), **LB Eric Gentry** (Arizona State), **CB John Humphrey** (UCLA), **QB Jake Jensen** (BYU), **K Michael Lantz** (Georgia Southern), **DE Anthony Lucas** (Texas A&M), **QB Jayden Maiava** (UNLV), **RB Woody Marks** (Mississippi State), **LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold** (Oregon State), **DT Gavin Meyer** (Wyoming), **DE Jamil Muhammad** (Georgia State), **CB DeCarlos Nicholson** (Mississippi State), **SNP Hank Pepper** (Michigan State), **OL Emmanuel Pregon** (Wyoming), **LB Ryan Quintanar** (TCU), **S Kamari Ramsey** (UCLA), **WR Jaden Richardson** (Tufts), **WR Charles Ross** (Nevada/San José State), **S Bryson Shaw** (Ohio State), **P Cameron Shirangi** (Pomona Pitzer/Hawaii), **TE Carson Tabaracci** (Utah) **CB Greedy Vance Jr.** (Louisville/Florida State) and **WR Donovan Wood** (Middlebury).

•••USC currently has 27 players who graduated at least a semester early from high school and enrolled in college that spring. **OL Gino Quinones** enrolled in the spring of 2019. **DT Kobe Pepe** enrolled in the spring of 2020. **S Anthony Beavers Jr.**, **TE Lake McRee** and **QB Miller Moss** all enrolled in the spring of 2021. **WR Zachariah Branch**, **CB Maliki Crawford**, **DE Sam Greene**, **RB Quinten Joyner**, **WR Makai Lemon**, **OL Elijah Paige**, **RB A'Marion Peterson** and **S Christian Pierce** all enrolled in the spring of 2023. **DT Jide Abasiri**, **S Jarvis Boatwright Jr.**, **DE Lorenzo Cowan**, **DE Kameryn Fountain**, **S Marquis Gallegos**, **RB Bryan Jackson**, **WR Xavier Jordan**, **OL Kaylon Miller**, **LB Elijah Newby**, **TE Joey Olsen**, **LB Desman Stephens II**, **OL Kalolo Ta'aga**, **OL Justin Tauanuu** and **CB Marcelles Williams** all enrolled in the spring of 2024. Since 1999, 98 Trojans have graduated at least a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC (2 graduated a full year early).

•••Over the summer, **S Anthony Beavers Jr.**, **CB Prophet Brown**, **CB Jacobe Covington**, **WR Kyron Hudson**, **LB Garrison Madden** and **TE CJ Woods** attended a USC Student Leadership Summit hosted by the Shoah Foundation. They traveled to Washington D.C. and Poland to learn about antisemitism and the Holocaust. While in D.C., they visited the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture and heard from a Holocaust survivor. In Poland, they toured Auschwitz and the city of Krakow.

•••Due to the training of **Bennie Wylie** and his strength and conditioning staff and **Rachel Suba** and her nutrition staff, the USC football team put on over 1,400 pounds during the offseason.

•••USC football boasts some impressive track athletes. **CB Prophet Brown** was a member of the California state champion 400-meter relay team and has personal bests of 10.90 in the 100 meters and 22.71 in the 200. **WR Zachariah Branch** was the Nevada Southern 5A Regional champion in the 100 meters, 200 meters and long jump as a sophomore in 2021 when he ran a 10.33 100 and a wind-aided 21.01 200. Branch is also current member of the USC Track and Field team. He credits the running technique that he has learned through track (foot flexion and body angles) as one of the many reasons he is able to escape defenders on the field.

•••Besides Brown and Branch (above), a number of other Trojans competed in track and field in high school: **DT Ratumana Bulabalavu** (triple jump, 110-meter hurdles, shot put and discus), **CB Prophet Brown** (sprints, long jump), **CB Braylon Conley**, **CB Jacobe Covington**, (sprints), **CB Maliki Crawford**, **WR Jay Fair** (long jump and 200m), **OL Elijah Hughes** (shot put), **DT Carlon Jones** (shot put), **RB Quinten Joyner**, **OL Jarrett Kingston** (discuss), **LB Garrison Madden**, **DE DJ Peevy**, **RB A'Marion Peterson**, **OL Makai Saina** (shot put), **DE Braylan Shelby** (triple jump), **P Cameron Shirangi** and **LB Carson Tabaracci**.

•••As high schoolers, USC football players also competed in a wide range of other sports. In addition to track and field (above), they played primarily basketball (**CB Prophet Brown**, **LB Mason Cobb**, **TE Kade Eldridge**, **LB Eric Gentry**, **DT Elijah Hughes**, **DT Carlon Jones**, **WR Ja'Kobi Lane**, **LB Garrison Madden**, **TE Walter Matthews**, **TE Lake McRee**, **DE Jamil Muhammad**, **OL Elijah Paige**, **DE DJ Peevy**, **OL Gino Quinones**, **OL Tobias Raymond**, **TE Carson Tabaracci**, **DT Devan Thompkins**, **LB Jady Walker** and **TE CJ Woods**) and baseball (**LB Mason Cobb**, **RB Quinten Joyner**, **OL Tobias Raymond** and **WR Duce Robinson**). They also participated in soccer (**OL Tobias Raymond**, **P Rey Sanchez** and **P Cameron Shirangi**), lacrosse (**TE Kade Eldridge**, **LB Roman Marchetti**, **S Bryson Shaw**, **TE Carson Tabaracci**), cross country (**P Cameron Shirangi**), volleyball (**P Rey Sanchez**) and rugby (**DT Ratumana Bulabalavu**).

•••**WR Duce Robinson** is a two-sport standout who currently plays on both the USC football and baseball teams. As an outfielder, he competed in the 2022 Baseball Factory All-America Game and the 2022 Area Code Games. Robinson is the third athlete ever to be named "Under Armour All-American" in both baseball and football (joining Kyler Murray and AJ Brown).

•••**LB Eric Gentry** is 6'6", and has a 7'1.25" wingspan.

•••**WR Ja'Kobi Lane** wears sixe 5X gloves.

•••**LB Mason Cobb** has an artistic side that he learned from his mother. He enjoys painting and wood burning.

•••**DE Solomon Tuliapupu** cut his long hair in 2017 for the first time since the fifth grade as a show of support of cancer victims and survivors.

•••**QB Gage Roy's** family has had USC football season tickets for more than 50 years.



•••WR Zachariah Branch and S Zion Branch created the Branch Out Foundation which is a nonprofit organization dedicated to leading with a servant heart to support youth initiatives including homelessness, after-school programs, health and wellness as well as other charitable causes.

•••WR Zachariah Branch and S Zion Branch recently became the first college football players to sign with the Jordan Brand through NIL.

•••S Anthony Beavers Jr. and CB Jaylin Smith were in the Netflix show "Coach Snoop," about rapper Snoop Dogg and his Snoop Youth Football League.

•••The Trojans have four married players: QB Jake Jensen (his wife's name is McKayla), K Michael Lantz (his wife's name is Elise), OL Gino Quinones (his wife's name is Natalie) and DE Solomon Tuliaupupu (his wife's name is Olivia).

•••Two players served their Mormon missions prior to becoming Trojans. QB Jake Jensen served a Mormon mission in Buenos Aires, Argentina in 2019, but it was cut short due to the COVID-19 pandemic. He is fluent in Spanish. TE Walker Lyons recently returned from serving his Mormon mission in Norway.

•••USC's roster features 3 players who are a Jr. (S Anthony Beavers Jr., S Jarvis Boatwright Jr. and Greedy Vance Jr.) and a II (LB Desman Stephens II).

•••USC has 4 sets of brothers: WR Zachariah Branch and S Zion Branch, WRs Josiah and Seth Zamora, twins DL Kaylon Miller and RB King Miller and step-brothers S Akili Arnold and LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold. Colorado State, Kennesaw State, Miami (Fla.), Nebraska, Oklahoma State and Utah State also have 4 sets of brothers, while BYU has 5 and Colorado has 6.

•••CB Greedy Vance Jr.'s real first name is Jamie, while DT Bear Alexander's real first name is Keithian. DE Solomon Tuliaupupu's full name is Solomon Nokeakua-Stroud Tuliaupupu, while his nickname is "Solo," CB Prophet Brown's is "Peanut Butter". DT Kobe Pepe was named after late legendary Los Angeles Laker Kobe Bryant. RB Woody Marks' real name is Jo'Quavious. He garnered the nickname "Woody" because of his childhood love of the movie, Toy Story.

•••Eleven Trojans list their home state as Texas: DT Bear Alexander, CB Braylon Conley, WR Jay Fair, RB Bryan Jackson, DT Carlton Jones, RB Quinten Joyner, TE Lake McRee, RB A'Marion Peterson, QB Gage Roy, OL Makai Saina and DE Braylan Shelby.

•••Quarterback coach Luke Huard's brother, Damon, played for the New England Patriots from 2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII championship teams. Defensive ends coach Shaun Nua was a member of the Steelers' Super Bowl XL-winning team in 2006. Defensive line coach Eric Henderson was the defensive line coach for the Los Angeles Rams when they won Super Bowl LVI.

•••WR Zachariah Branch and S Zion Branch's great-uncle is Cliff Branch, a former Raiders wide receiver who was enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio in August of 2022.

•••Several Trojan staffers have been part of national championship teams.

- Linebackers coach Matt Entz was a two-time FCS national championship winning head coach at North Dakota State (2019 and 2021).
- Offensive coordinator and offensive line coach Josh Henson was LSU's tight ends coach and recruiting coordinator for the Tigers' 2007 national championship squad.
- Football executive assistant Cheryl Taplin was a sprinter on 7 of LSU's NCAA champion outdoor and indoor women's track and field teams.

•••Speaking of genes:

- WR Zachariah Branch and S Zion Branch's father played fullback for San José State.
- DT Ratumana Bulabalavu's cousin, Tuli Letuligasenoa, was a defensive lineman at Washington from 2018-23.
- WR Jay Fair's mother, Christina, played softball at Southern University, and his father, Jameson, played football at Southern University. His cousin, Larry Nance Jr., plays for the New Orleans Pelicans.
- QB Dylan Gebbia's brother, Tristan, was a quarterback at Ohio State and Oregon State. His father, Richard, was a tight end at Ole Miss.
- WR Kyron Hudson's brother, Keyon, is a redshirt senior defensive tackle at Oregon.
- DT Carlton Jones' cousin is former NBA player, Rashard Lewis.
- K Michael Lantz's father, Jeffrey, was a linebacker at Murray State.

• QB Jayden Maiava's uncle is former Trojan linebacker, Kaluka Maiava.

• SNP Devin McDonough's uncle, Matt Stone, was a defensive end at Virginia

• TE Lake McRee's little brother, Heath, is a freshman wide receiver at San Diego State.

• DE Jamil Muhammad's brother Marquez, played football at Western Kentucky and another brother, Terrance, played at Alabama A&M.

• WR Jaden Richardson's father, Damon, ran track at UC Riverside.

• WR Duce Robinson's father was also a two-sport star coming out of high school as a five-star football recruit who was also drafted by the Minnesota Twins. His mother, Mary Beth Robinson, was a swimmer at Florida.

• WR Charles Ross' brother, Kevin, was a defensive back at California in 2003.

• CB Isaiah Rubin's cousin, Jordan Anderson, is a freshman wide receiver at Oregon State.

• DE Braylan Shelby's father, Shannon, is a former Arkansas defensive end and his brother, Ty, played defensive end at Louisiana Monroe.

• DE Devan Thompkins' uncle, Larry Grant, played linebacker at City College of San Francisco (he was the 2005 NJCAA Defensive Player of the Year), at Ohio State (2006-07) and in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers (2008, 2011-12), St. Louis Rams (2008-10), Chicago Bears (2013) and Cleveland Browns (2014). He then was is a defensive analyst at UNLV and now is coaching at UC Davis.

• OL Hayden Treter's father Jon, was a linebacker at Colorado.

• DE Solomon Tuliaupupu's father, Turnbull, was an offensive lineman at Southern Utah (2000-01).

• CB Marcelles Williams' brother, Macen, is a redshirt senior defensive back at Arizona State. His brother Max, was a safety at USC.

• CB Greedy Vance Jr.'s cousin is former NFL safety Tracy Porter.

• TE CJ Woods' mother, Dr. Nickey Woods, played basketball at UCLA (1994-96). His father, Andy Jr., played basketball at Montana (1988-90) and Washington (1991-94). His uncle, Maurice, played basketball at Washington (1990-94), while his aunt, Denise, played basketball at USC (1996-2000). His great uncle, Frank Stephens, played football at UCLA (1974-78). His aunt, Sina Hilbert, played basketball at Georgia Southern (2005-09). His cousin, Kayla Stephens, played basketball at Alabama State (2014-18), and another cousin, Torii Hilbert, played football at La Verne (2016-17) and Tennessee-Chattanooga (2018-19).

• Head coach Lincoln Riley's brother, Garrett, is the offensive coordinator at Clemson, after previously coaching at TCU, SMU, Appalachian State, Kansas, East Carolina and Augustana College and playing quarterback at Texas Tech and Stephen F. Austin.

• Inside receivers coach Luke Huard's brothers, Damon and Brock, were quarterbacks at Washington and in the NFL. Damon played at Washington (1991-95), including on UW's 1991 national champions, and then with the Miami Dolphins (1997-2000), New England Patriots (2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII champs), and Kansas City Chiefs (2004-08), and now is director of community and external relations and special advisor to the athletic director at Washington as well as an analyst on Husky football radio broadcasts. Brock played at Washington (1995-98), then with the Seattle Seahawks (1999-2001, 2004) and Indianapolis Colts (2002-03) and now is a college football analyst for FOX Sports and a sports radio host in Seattle. His father, Mike, was inducted into the Washington State Football Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 1998 and the Pacific Northwest Football Hall of Fame in 2011 after 17 seasons as the head coach at Puyallup High, winning the state title in 1987. His nephew, Sam, is a redshirt freshman quarterback at Washington, while his niece, Haley, is a sophomore guard on Montana's basketball team. His sister-in-law, Molly, played basketball at Washington (1995-99). His niece, Holly, is USC Athletic Director Jen Cohen's executive assistant.

• Defensive line coach Shaun Nua's cousin, laneta Le'i, played softball (first base) for 4 seasons (2003-06) at BYU, where she was a 3-time All-American and then served as an assistant coach (2007-13). His cousin, Futi Tavana, was a middle blocker on BYU's men's volleyball team (2009-12), where he was a 2-time All-American first teamer (2011-12) and then played for the USA National Team (2012-16). His cousin, Devin Tavana, was an offensive lineman at Southern Utah (2010-11).

• Assistant director of player personnel Drew Fox's father, Derrick, is the president/CEO of the Alamo Bowl.

•••When Quincy Watts was named USC's director of track and field and cross country in June of 2021, he became the third former Trojan football player to be USC's head track coach. Watts, most noted as a 2-time gold medalist (400 meters and 1600-meter relay) at the 1992 Olympics, was a wide receiver on the 1990 USC football team (he didn't get into a game). Jess Hill and Jess Mortensen (who both lettered in football as running backs in 1928 and 1929, including on the 1928 national champs) guided the Trojan tracksters; Hill did so in 1949-50 and in 1962 (winning 2 NCAA titles), while Mortensen did so from 1951 to 1961 (getting 7 NCAA crowns).



•••USC Football is building a new performance center, which will include three levels dedicated to team operations as well as a rooftop hospitality deck and player lounge. USC Athletics is also adding a second full-length practice field, which players will access directly from the performance center. Head football coach Lincoln Riley said this improvement will be “an absolute game-changer for our program. It will be the perfect home for our team and give our players every opportunity to be successful.” The new complex will feature student-athlete-centric spaces, including a new locker room, multiple player lounges, a recovery hub, nutritional support, sports sciences services, a weight room, a training room and an equipment room. USC football’s new home will also feature a team auditorium, position meeting rooms, recruiting areas, staff offices and flexible space for future growth. The facility is set to open in 2026.

•••USC Gameday is the official app for fans following the Trojans. The free app for iOS and Android devices is available for download on iTunes and Google Play. Among the app’s features: customized sport selection, countdown to the next games, schedules and scores, live stats (for football and basketball), USC Athletics’ social media links, USC Fan Shop and USC videos and photos. The app also incorporates information about USC teams, including rosters, biographical, statistical and historical information and exclusive videos, as well as a virtual tour of USC’s athletic facilities, including the McKay Center and the Coliseum. USC merchandise and tickets also are available for purchase within the app, which has new video and elements added throughout the year.

IN THE NFL

• With Williams’ No. 1 overall selection in 2024, USC now holds the record for most players (6) selected as the top pick of the NFL draft (Ron Yary in 1968, O.J. Simpson in 1969, Ricky Bell in 1977, Keyshawn Johnson in 1996, Carson Palmer in 2003 and Caleb Williams in 2024).

• USC is second behind Notre Dame’s 532 for most NFL draft picks (530). USC and Michigan are the only schools with a draftee every year since 1939.

• USC (86) is second behind Ohio State (91) for most first round NFL draft picks.

• Among USC’s current NFLers are QBs Sam Darnold and Caleb Williams, WRs Robert Woods, Amon-Ra St. Brown, Drake London and Michael Pittman Jr., LB Uchenna Nwosu, DBs Calen Bullock and Talanoa Hufanga, DL Leonard Williams and OLs Alijah Vera-Tucker and Austin Jackson.

• Notable NFL Stats:

• Former Trojan and Vikings QB Sam Darnold was named the NFC Offensive Player of the Month for September.

• Fourteen former Trojan players are in the Pro Football Hall of Fame (most of any school) and USC has 18 total inductees (including 4 assistant coaches).

• A Trojan has appeared in all but 8 of the 58 Super Bowls and Trojans have been selected to play in the Pro Bowl 244 times.

• One NFL head coach has USC ties (as a former strength and conditioning coach): Carolina’s Dave Canales.

• Three current USC players have relatives with NFL playing backgrounds: **WR Zachariah Branch** and **S Zion Branch**’s great-uncle, Cliff Branch, is a former Raiders wide receiver who was enshrined into the Pro Football Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio in August. **DT Devan Thompkins**’ uncle, Larry Grant played in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers (2008, 2011-12), St. Louis Rams (2008-10), Chicago Bears (2013) and Cleveland Browns (2013).

• Assistant coach **Luke Huard**’s brother Damon played with the Miami Dolphins (1997-2000), New England Patriots (2001-2003, including on the Super Bowl XXXVI and XXXVIII champs), and Kansas City Chiefs (2004-08). His brother Brock played with the Seattle Seahawks (1999-2001, 2004) and Indianapolis Colts (2002-03).

• Defensive coordinator **D’Anton Lynn**’s father, Anthony Lynn, is the run game coordinator and running backs coach for the Washington Commanders.

• Three of USC’s assistant coaches played pro football. Defensive Line Coach **Eric Henderson** played three years in the National Football League with the Cincinnati Bengals from 2006-08 after being signed as an undrafted free agent. He also spent three years (2009-11) with the Las Vegas Locomotives of the United Football League, helping the team win a pair of league championships. Defensive Coordinator **D’Anton Lynn** was signed by the Jets as an undrafted free agent in 2012 before finishing his playing career with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League in 2013. Defensive Ends Coach **Shaun Nua** played 4 seasons (2005-08) in the NFL, the first 3 with the Pittsburgh Steelers and 2008 with the Buffalo Bills. He was a member of the Steelers’ Super Bowl XL-winning team in 2006.

ANNIVERSARIES

• 2024 is the 50th anniversary of the 1974 national championship team.

• The 1974 team earned John McKay his fourth national title behind the big-play heroics of All-American tailback Anthony Davis, the steady leadership of quarterback Pat Haden and the clutch play of a defense that forced the second-highest interception total in USC history.

• Davis, the runner-up for the Heisman Trophy, rushed for 1,421 yards and 13 touchdowns. His three-year yardage total of 3,724 yards and 52 touchdowns was a Pac-8 record. He set an NCAA record for most kickoffs returned for TDs in a season (3) and career (6). He scored four touchdowns to lead the Trojans to an amazing 55-24 comeback win over Notre Dame in the regular season finale. In his career, Davis scored 11 touchdowns against the Fighting Irish.

• Pat Haden threw 13 touchdown passes, but his biggest completions came with the Trojans trailing Ohio State 17-10 in the 1975 Rose Bowl. His 38-yard TD strike to J.K McKay with two minutes to play and his subsequent 2-point conversion to Shelton Diggs gave USC an 18-17 victory and the writers’ share of the national championship.

• Senior linebacker Richard Wood, Troy’s only three-time All-American, led the defense. Defensive back Charles Phillips set NCAA records for most interception return yardage in a season (302), most interception return yardage in a game (181), highest average gain per interception for one game (90.5), and most touchdowns on interception returns in a season (3).

• The win over Notre Dame, dubbed “The Comeback,” was sparked by Davis’ 102-yard kickoff return to start the second half. Trailing 24-0 late in the second quarter, the Trojans scored 55 unanswered points in just under 17 minutes to win going away.

• USC had five players selected to the All-American team for the third consecutive year. A school-record 12 Trojans were selected to the All-Conference squad (since equaled by the 1989 Trojans). Fourteen players from the 1974 team were taken in the NFL draft—an all-time record also shared by the 1976 Trojan team.

ACADEMICS

• Current Trojans **P Eddie Czaplicki**, **S Hunter Dunn**, **LB Matt Galván**, **LB Roman Marchetti**, **OL Jonah Monheim**, **DE Jamil Muhammad**, **DE Garrett Pomerantz**, **QB Gage Roy**, **S Brandon Shepherd**, **DE Solomon Tuliapupu** and **WR Josiah Zamora** made the 2023 Pac-12 Academic Honor Roll.

• Twenty-four Trojans have already earned their bachelor’s degrees. **S Akili Arnold** earned his bachelor’s degree in Public Health from Oregon State and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **S Anthony Beavers Jr.** earned his bachelor’s degree in Psychology from USC and is pursuing his master’s degree in Applied Psychology. **DT Nate Clifton** earned his bachelor’s degree in Medicine, Health and Society from Vanderbilt and is currently pursuing a master’s degree in Project Management and a certificate in Gerontology. **WR Asante Das** earned his bachelor’s degree in Psychology from Georgetown and is pursuing his master’s degree in Communication Management. **WR Kyle Ford** earned his bachelor’s degree in Communication from USC and is currently pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **CB John Humphrey** earned his bachelor’s degree in African American Studies at UCLA and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **K Michael Lantz** earned his bachelor’s degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Georgia Southern and is pursuing his master’s degree in Project Management. **RB Woody Marks** earned his bachelor’s degree in Kinesiology from Mississippi State and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **DT Gavin Meyer** earned his bachelor’s degree in Criminal Justice from Wyoming and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **OL Jonah Monheim** earned his bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from USC and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **QB Miller Moss** earned his bachelor’s degree in Law, History and Culture from USC and is working on his master’s in Social Entrepreneurship. **DE Jamil Muhammad** earned his bachelor’s degree in Social Entrepreneurship from Georgia State and is working on his master’s in Social Entrepreneurship. **CB DeCarlos** earned his bachelor’s degree in Business from TCU and is pursuing his master’s degree in Urban Planning. **WR Jaden Richardson** earned his bachelor’s degree in Economics from Tufts and is pursuing his master’s degree in Public Policy. **WR Charles Ross** earned his bachelor’s degree in Communication from San José State and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **S Bryson Shaw** earned his bachelor’s degree in Political Science from USC and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology. **P Cameron Shirangi** earned his bachelor’s degree in Data Science from Pomona Pitzer and is pursuing his master’s degree in Entrepreneurship and Innovation. **CB Greedy Vance Jr.** earned his bachelor’s degree in Social Science from Florida State and is pursuing a graduate certificate in Gerontology.

WR Donovan Wood earned his bachelor’s degree in Computer Science and Economics from Middlebury and is pursuing his master’s degree in Project Management. **WR Josiah Zamora** earned his bachelor’s degree in Law, History and Culture from USC and is pursuing his master’s degree in Entrepreneurship.

• **QB Miller Moss** earned his bachelor’s degree in Law, History and Culture in two years.



- In its history, USC football has produced 23 Academic All-American first teamers (tied for tops in the Pac-12 and among the Top 10 in the nation), 20 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners, 13 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes, 7 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award winners, 4 NCAA Today's Top 10 winners, 1 Rhodes Scholar (Pat Haden) and 2 Academic All-American Hall of Famers (Haden and Dick Nunis).

- USC Athletics put forth a powerful effort in the classroom this past Fall 2023 semester, with many teams earning high marks to help the department earn its highest ever Fall term GPA and record the greatest number of student-athletes with GPAs of 3.0 or higher.

- As a department, USC Athletics set a new record with its combined Fall 2023 GPA of 3.217, thanks in large part to a record 417 student-athletes earning a 3.0 or better. All 12 women's teams boasted 3.0 GPAs or better. Baseball and women's tennis both recorded their highest ever term GPAs, with baseball, football, rowing and men's tennis all weighing in with their highest cumulative GPAs.

- What's more, USC Athletics has matched its highest Graduation Success Rate of 93 percent, and set a new department record with its multiyear NCAA Academic Progress Rate of 990. In that 2023 APR report, USC had nine teams score a perfect 1,000, with 17 teams equaling or improving on their 2022 APR scores.

MARKETING NOTES

- The USC versus Notre Dame game is presented by DirecTV.
- Hero of the Game: Major Erich Neutze



2024 SQUAD BREAKDOWNS

Experience Breakdown

Following is a breakdown of the 2024 USC football team. Players listed in CAPITAL LETTERS were 2023 starters (with number of 2023 starts in parentheses). Players with a “^ [x]” were 2023 co-starters (with number of 2023 starts in parentheses). Players with a “# [x]” were 2023 part-time starters (with number of 2023 starts in parentheses). Players with a “*” were 2023 lettermen.

RETURNING SQUADMEN (58)

Micah Banuelos, OL*
 ZACHARIAH BRANCH, WR* (9)
 Kade Eldridge, TE*
 Kyron Hudson, WR * # (4)
 Jake Jensen, QB*
 Quinten Joyner, RB*
 Ja’Kobi Lane, WR*
 Makai Lemon, WR*
 LAKE MCREE, TE * (4)
 JONAH MONHEIM, OL * # (12)
 Miller Moss, QB*# (1)
 Mason Murphy OL * # (5)
 Alani Noa, OL * # (1)
 Kilian O’Connor, OL*
 Elijah Paige, OL * # (1)
 A’Marion Peterson, RB*
 EMMANUEL PREGNON, OL * (12)
 Gino Quinones, OL * # (1)
 Tobias Raymond, OL*
 Duce Robinson, WR*
 Carson Tabaracci, TE*
 Amos Talalele, OL*
 Josiah Zamora, WR*

DEFENSE (20)

BEAR ALEXANDER, DT * (12)
 Anthony Beavers Jr., S * # (1)
 Zion Branch, CB * # (1)
 Prophet Brown, CB * # (1)
 MASON COBB, LB * (9)
 Jacobe Covington, CB * # (2)
 Raesjon Davis, LB * # (4)
 Eric Gentry LB * # (3)
 Sam Greene, DE*
 Elijah Hughes, DT*
 Anthony Lucas, DE* (1)
 Garrison Madden, LB*
 Roman Marchetti, LB*
 JAMIL MUHAMMAD, DE * (12)
 Kobe Pepe, DT*
 Christian Pierce, S*
 Bryson Shaw, S * # (3)
 Braylan Shelby, DE*
 JAYLIN SMITH, CB * (12)
 Devan Thompkins, DT*

SPECIAL TEAMS (3)

Eddie Czaplicki, P*
 Denis Lynch, K*
 Tyler Robles, K*

NON-PLAYING SQUADMEN (12)

Maliki Crawford, CB
 Hunter Dunn, S
 Matt Galván, LB
 Corey Nerhus, WR
 DJ Peevy, DE
 Garrett Pomerantz, LB
 Gage Roy, QB
 Brandon Shepherd, S
 Jack Susnjar, OL
 Solomon Tuliaupupu, DE
 Garth White, K
 CJ Woods, TE

SPRING 2024 EARLY ENROLLEES (14)

OFFENSE (6)

Bryan Jackson, RB
 Xavier Jordan, WR
 Kaylon Miller, OL
 Joey Olsen, TE
 Kalolo Ta’aga, OL
 Justin Tauanuu, OL

DEFENSE (8)

Jide Abasiri, DT
 Jarvis Boatwright Jr. S
 Lorenzo Cowan, DE
 Kameryn Fountain, DE
 Marquis Gallegos, S
 Elijah Newby, LB
 Desman Stephens II, LB
 Marcelles Williams, CB

SPRING 2024 TRANSFERS (10)

OFFENSE (3)

Jayden Maiava, QB
 Woody Marks, RB
 Jaden Richardson, WR

DEFENSE (6)

Akili Arnold, S
 Nate Clifton, DL
 John Humphrey, CB
 Easton Mascarenas-Arnold, LB
 DeCarlos Nicholson, CB
 Kamari Ramsey, S

SPECIAL TEAMS (1)

Hank Pepper, SNP

SUMMER TRANSFERS (15)

OFFENSE (7)

Asante Das, WR
 Jay Fair, WR
 Kyle Ford, WR
 Dylan Gebbia, QB
 Charles Ross, WR
 Erwin Taomi, OL
 Donovan Wood, WR

DEFENSE (4)

Kash Amos, DT
 Gavin Meyer, DT
 Ryan Quintanar, LB
 Greedy Vance, Jr. CB

SPECIAL TEAMS (4)

Michael Lantz, K
 Devin McDonough, SNP
 Rey Sanchez, P
 Cameron Shirangi, P

INCOMING FRESHMEN/ NEW PLAYERS (20)

OFFENSE (13)

Brenden Cho, DT
 Collin Fasse, WR
 Brady Jung, WR
 Travis Leonard, OL
 Walker Lyons, TE
 Walter Matthews, TE
 Cian McKelvey, RB
 King Miller, RB
 Makai Saina, OL
 Shawn Sehra, CB
 Jack Stupin, QB
 Hayden Treter, OL
 Seth Zamora, WR

DEFENSE (6)

Ratumana Bulabalavu, DL
 Braylon Conley, CB
 Carlon Jones, DL
 Thornton Mitchell, S
 Isaiah Rubin, CB
 Jady Walker, LB

SPECIAL TEAMS (1)

Ryon Sayeri, K

SQUADMEN LOST (55)

OFFENSE (24)

Darwin Barlow, RB
 Raleek Brown, WR
 Matt Colombo, RB
 Justin Dedich, OL
 Andres Dewerk, OL
 Michael Jackson III, WR
 Austin Jones, RB
 Jarrett Kingston, OL
 MarShawn Lloyd, RB

Cooper Lovelace, OL
 Andrew Milek, OL
 Jaden Moore, WR
 Malachi Nelson, QB
 Luke Otte, TE
 Brenden Rice, WR
 Ty Shamblin, WR
 Dorian Singer, WR
 Michael Tarquin, OL
 Grant Tucker, OL
 Isaac Ward, QB
 Tahj Washington, WR
 Caleb Williams, QB
 Mario Williams, WR
 Jude Wolfe, TE

DEFENSE (25)

Sinjun Astani, DL
 Kyon Barrs, DL
 De’jon Benton, DL
 Theo Bravos, LB
 Calen Bullock, S
 Solomon Byrd, DE
 Tackett Curtis, LB
 Tre’Quon Fegans, CB
 Korey Foreman, DL
 Xamarion Gordon, S
 Romello Height, DE
 Domani Jackson, CB
 Daniel Jimenez-Fulton, S
 Deijon Laffitte, DL
 Shane Lee, LB
 Duce Palmer, LB
 Christian Roland-Wallace, CB
 Fabian Ross, CB
 L Simpson, CB
 Jack Sullivan, DL
 Tyrone Taleni, DL
 Stanley Ta’ufo’ou, DL
 Chris Thompson Jr., LB
 Max Williams, CB

SPECIAL TEAMS (6)

Jac Casasante, SNP
 Michael McAllister, P
 Daniel Meunier, SNP
 Will Rose, P
 Aady Sleep-Dalton, P
 Nathan Weneta, SNP

CLASS BREAKDOWN

SENIORS (31)

Akili Arnold*
Nate Clifton*
Mason Cobb*
Jacobe Covington*
Eddie Czaplicki
Raesjon Davis
Kyle Ford*
Matt Galván
Eric Gentry
John Humphrey*
Michael Lantz*
Woody Marks*
Easton Mascarenas-Arnold
Gavin Meyer*
Jonah Monheim*
Jamil Muhammad*
Corey Nerhus
DeCarlos Nicholson*
Kobe Pepe*
Emmanuel Pregnon*
Gino Quinones*
Jaden Richardson*
Charles Ross*
Bryson Shaw*
Camron Shirangi*
Jaylin Smith
Solomon Tuliaupupu*
Greedy Vance Jr.*
Garth White
Donovan Wood*
CJ Woods*

JUNIORS (21)

Bear Alexander
Anthony Beavers Jr.*
Prophet Brown*
Hunter Dunn
Jay Fair
Kyron Hudson*
Jake Jensen*
Anthony Lucas
Denis Lynch*
Devin McDonough
Lake McRee*
Thornton Mitchell*
Miller Moss*
Mason Murphy*
Kilian O'Connor
Hank Pepper*
Garrett Pomerantz
Gage Roy
Rey Sanchez
Brandon Shepherd
Josiah Zamora*

SOPHOMORES (15)

Zachariah Branch
Zion Branch*
Elijah Hughes
Ja'Kobi Lane
Makai Lemon
Garrison Madden*
Jayden Maiava*
Roman Marchetti*
Alani Noa
Christian Pierce
Kamari Ramsey*
Duce Robinson

Braylan Shelby
Carson Tabaracci*
Devin Thompkins*

FRESHMEN (40)

Jide Abasiri
Micah Banuelos*
Jarvis Boatwright Jr.
Ratumana Bulabalavu
Braylon Conley
Lorenzo Cowan
Maliki Crawford*
Kade Eldridge*
Collin Fasse
Kameryn Fountain
Marquis Gallegos
Dylan Gebbia*
Sam Greene*
Bryan Jackson
Carlton Jones
Xavier Jordan
Quinten Joyner*
Walker Lyons
Walter Matthews
Kaylon Miller
Elijah Newby
Joey Olsen
Elijah Paige*
DJ Peevy*
A'Marion Peterson*
Tobias Raymond*
Tyler Robles
Isaiah Rubin
Makai Saina
Ryon Sayeri
Desman Stephens II
Jack Stupin
Jack Susnjar*
Kalolo Ta'aga
Amos Talalele*
Justin Tauanuu
Hayden Treter
Jadyn Walker
Marcelles Williams
Seth Zamora
*Redshirt year used

GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN

(By hometown state/country)

ALABAMA (2)

Kameryn Fountain
Jamil Muhammad

ALASKA (1)

Erwin Taomi

ARIZONA (7)

Jacobe Covington
Ja'Kobi Lane
Anthony Lucas
Cian McKelvey
Elijah Paige
Hank Pepper
Duce Robinson

CALIFORNIA (59)

Akili Arnold
Anthony Beavers Jr.
Prophet Brown
Ratumana Bulabalavu

Brenden Cho
Maliki Crawford
Raesjon Davis
Collin Fasse
Kyle Ford
Marquis Gallegos
Matt Galván
Dylan Gebbia
Kyron Hudson
John Humphrey
Xavier Jordan
Brady Jung
Makai Lemon
Travis Leonard
Denis Lynch
Walker Lyons
Roman Marchetti
Easton Mascarenas-Arnold
Devin McDonough
Kaylon Miller
King Miller
Jonah Monheim
Miller Moss
Mason Murphy
Corey Nerhus
Alani Noa
Kilian O'Connor
DJ Peevy
Kobe Pepe
Christian Pierce
Ryan Quintanar
Kamari Ramsey
Tobias Raymond
Jaden Richardson
Tyler Robles
Charles Ross
Isaiah Rubin
Rey Sanchez
Ryon Sayeri
Shawn Sehra
Brandon Shepherd
Cameron Shirangi
Jaylin Smith
Jack Stupin
Jack Susnjar
Kalolo Ta'aga
Amos Talalele
Justin Tauanuu
Devan Thompkins
Solomon Tuliaupupu
Garth White
Marcelles Williams
CJ Woods
Josiah Zamora
Seth Zamora

COLORADO (2)

Emmanuel Pregnon
Hayden Treter

CONNECTICUT (1)

Elijah Newby

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (1)

Sam Greene

FLORIDA (1)

Jarvis Boatwright Jr.

GEORGIA (7)

Asante Das
Lorenzo Cowan
Hunter Dunn
Michael Lantz

2024 SQUAD BREAKDOWNS

Garrison Madden
Woody Marks
Walter Matthews

HAWAII (2)

Jayden Maiava
Gino Quinones

ILLINOIS (1)

Kash Amos

LOUISIANA (1)

Greedy Vance Jr.

MARYLAND (1)

Bryson Shaw

MICHIGAN (2)

Desman Stephens II
Jadyn Walker

MINNESOTA (1)

Jide Abasiri

MISSISSIPPI (1)

DeCarlos Nicholson

NEVADA (3)

Zachariah Branch
Zion Branch
Garrett Pomerantz

NEW YORK (1)

Donovan Wood

NORTH CAROLINA (1)

Eddie Czaplicki

OREGON (1)

Joey Olsen

PENNSYLVANIA (1)

Eric Gentry

TENNESSEE (2)

Nate Clifton
Thornton Mitchell

TEXAS (11)

Bear Alexander
Braylon Conley
Jay Fair
Bryan Jackson
Carlton Jones
Quinten Joyner
Lake McRee
A'Marion Peterson
Gage Roy
Makai Saina
Braylan Shelby

UTAH (3)

Mason Cobb
Jake Jensen
Carson Tabaracci

VIRGINIA (1)

Elijah Hughes

WASHINGTON (2)

Micah Banuelos
Kade Eldridge

WISCONSIN (1)

Gavin Meyer

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS

ABASIRI, Jide ah-bah-SEER-ee, jih-DAY
 ARNOLD, Akili ah-KEE-lee
 BANUELOS, Micah ban-WAY-l0s
 BRANCH, Zion ZAI-aan
 BROWN, Prophet PRA-fet
 BULABALAVU, Ratumana boo-lah-bah-LA-voo, rah-too-MAHN-ah
 COVINGTON, Jacobe kuh-VING-tun, juh- COE-bee
 CRAWFORD, Maliki ma-LI-kai
 CONLEY, Braylon bray-LIN
 CZAPLICKI, Eddie chuh-PLIEEZ-kee
 DAVIS, Raesjon DAY-vis, RAY-jhon
 FASSE, Collin fæss-EE
 FOUNTAIN, Kameryn CAM-rin
 GALLEGOS, Marquis guy-YAY-goes, mar-KEES
 GALVÁN, Matt gal-VAUGHN
 GEBBIA, Dylan JEH-bee-uh
 HUDSON, Kyron HUD-sun, KYE-run
 JONES, Carlon CAR-lawn
 LANE, Ja’Kobi juh-COE-bee
 LEMON, Makai muh-KAI
 MAIAVA, Jayden my-AH-vuh
 MARCHETTI, Roman mar-KEH-tee, ROE-min
 MASCARENAS-ARNOLD, Easton mas-car-EY-nas-ar-nuld
 McDONOUGH, Devin mick-DONE-uh
 McREE, Lake muh-CREE
 MILLER, Kaylon KAY-lon
 MONHEIM, Jonah MAHN-hime, JOE-nuh
 MUHAMMAD, Jamil juh-MILL
 NERHUS, Corey NEAR-hoose
 NOA, Alani no-uh, uh-LAWN-ee
 O’CONNOR, Kilian kil-EE-uhn
 PEPE, Kobe PEP-pay, COE-bee
 PETERSON, A’Marion uh-MAHR-ee-ohn
 POMERANTZ, Garrett POM-er-ants
 PREGNON, Emmanuel PREGG-nahn, ee-MAN-ewe-well
 QUINONES, Gino cue-NOE-nez, GEE-noe
 RAMSEY, Kamari kah-MAR-ee
 ROBLES, Tyler roe-BLESS
 SAINA, Makai SIGH-nuh, muh-KAI
 SAYERI, Ryon sai-EAR-ee, ryan
 SHAW, Bryson BRY-sun
 SHIRANGI, Cameron shir-ANG-ee
 SMITH, Jaylin SMITH, JAY-lun

STEPHENS II, Desman des-MIN
 SUSNJAR, Jack SUSH-nar
 TA’AGA, Kalolo tah-AH-gah, kah-LO-lo
 TABARACCI, Carson tah-buh-RAH-chee
 TALALELE, Amos tah-lah-LAY-lay
 TAUANUU, Justin tow-uh-NOO-oooh
 THOMPkins, Devan DEV-un
 TRETTER, Hayden TREE-ter
 TULIAUPUPU, Solomon too-lee-ow-P00-poo, SAUL-uh-mun
 WILLIAMS, Marcelles mar-CELL-es
 ZAMORA, Josiah zuh-MORE-uh, joe-ZYE-uh
 ZAMORA, Seth zuh-MORE-uh

COACHES

HUARD, Luke YOU-erd
 LYNN, D’Anton DAN-ton (like Canton, Ohio)
 NUA, Shaun NOO-uh
 WYLIE, Bennie BEN-ee

TROJANS IN THE NFL (38)

(As of 11/21/24)

<p> ATLANTA FALCONS Drake London, WR BALTIMORE RAVENS Nelson Agholor, WR Andrew Vorhees, OG CAROLINA PANTHERS *Jarrett Kingston, OL CHICAGO BEARS *Caleb Williams, QB CINCINNATI BENGALS Jay Tufele, DT DALLAS COWBOYS +Chuma Edoga, OG DETROIT LIONS Amon-Ra St. Brown, WR GREEN BAY PACKERS *#MarShawn Lloyd, RB HOUSTON TEXANS *Calen Bullock, S *%Solomon Byrd, DE Robert Woods, WR INDIANAPOLIS COLTS Michael Pittman Jr., WR KANSAS CITY CHIEFS %Keeontay Ingram, RB *Christian Roland-Wallace, CB JuJu Smith Schuster, WR Marlon Tuipulotu, DL LAS VEGAS RAIDERS Kana’i Mauga, ILB Isaiah Pola-Mao, S LOS ANGELES CHARGERS *Brenden Rice, WR Tuli Tuipulotu, LB </p>	<p> LOS ANGELES RAMS * Justin Dedich, OL MIAMI DOLPHINS Austin Jackson, OT Brandon Pili, DT +*Tahj Washington, WR MINNESOTA VIKINGS Jordan Addison, WR +Mekhi Blackmon, CB Sam Darnold, QB NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS Jalen McKenzie, OL NEW YORK GIANTS Adoree’ Jackson, CB NEW YORK JETS Alijah Vera-Tucker, OG Tyron Smith, OL SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS Talanoa Hufanga, S +Drake Jackson, DE SEATTLE SEAHAWKS +Uchenna Nwosu, LB % Brandon Pili, DT Leonard Williams, DE WASHINGTON COMMANDERS & Kevon Seymour, CB *2024 Rookie +Injured Reserve %Practice Squad # Reserve / Designated to Return & Suspended (PEDs) </p>
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LINCOLN RILEY

3 Heisman Trophy Winners Coached 3 College Football Playoff Appearances 4 Big 12 Championships • 3 No. 1 Overall Draft Selections

Lincoln Riley is one of the nation's most successful coaches. He's had more success by the age of 40 than any other head coach in college football history. Riley has been a head coach for 7 seasons and has developed 3 of the last 7 Heisman Trophy winners. Riley is the only head coach to coach 3 Heisman winning quarterbacks, as well as the only coach to have 3 quarterbacks selected No. 1 overall in the NFL Draft. From coaching 3 Heisman Trophy winners, to having an 80 percent winning record, to appearing in 3 College Football Playoffs, Lincoln Riley's coaching achievements set a standard of excellence.

And didn't take long for Riley to implement that standard at USC. In his first season as USC's head coach in 2022, the 39-year-old led the Trojans to have equaled the biggest one-season victory turnaround (+7 victories) in USC history (USC's 1962 national champs won 11 games after winning just 4 in 1961). Last season, Troy won 4 games and in 2022, it had 11 victories. Riley tied the

record for most victories by a first-year head coach (tied with John Robinson in 1976. This also ties the Pac-12 record). Riley's Trojans went 11-3 in 2022 to bring USC back to the top of the college football landscape. USC went undefeated in the Coliseum (7-0), doing so for the first time since 2017. Riley guided the Trojans to a Pac-12 Championship appearance and to a Cotton Bowl appearance. In Riley's electric offense, USC scored 579 points in 2022 compared to just 344 points scored in 2021. The Trojans finished the season nationally ranked No. 1 in turnover margin (1.57), No. 1 in turnovers lost (7), No. 1 in fumbles lost (2), No. 2 in 3rd down conversion percentage (0.536), No. 2 in passes had intercepted (5), No. 3 in first downs offense (359), No. 3 in passes intercepted (19), No. 3 in passing offense (335.4), No. 3 in scoring offense (41.4), No. 3 in team passing efficiency (169.20), No. 3 in total offense (506.6) and No. 5 in turnovers gained (29).

Riley's 2022 Trojans broke six USC records. The 2022 team now holds the USC record for most yards passing in a single season (4,696 yards in 14 games), most passes attempted in a single season (515), most touchdown passes in a single season (43), lowest percentage of passes had intercepted (0.97%, 5 in 515 attempts), most games scoring 30+ points (12) and most games scoring 40+ points (10). They also tie the USC single-game record for most touchdowns on interception returns (3 vs. Rice).

Under Riley's tutelage in 2022, quarterback Caleb Williams was named the 88th recipient of the Heisman Trophy. In addition to winning college football's most prestigious award, Williams also was named the 2022 Walter Camp Player of the Year, the 2022 AP Player of the Year, the 2022 Maxwell Award winner, the 2022 Sporting News College Football Player of the Year, the 2022 CBS Sports Player of the Year, the 2022 Action Sports Player of the Year, the 2022 CFP National Performer of the Year and the 2022 Pac-12 Offensive Player of the Year. Defensive lineman Tuli Tuipulotu was the Polynesian College Football Player of the Year, the Pac-12 Defensive Player of the Year, the defensive Morris Trophy winner and was a finalist for the Bronko Nagurski Trophy, the Rotary Lombardi Award, the Chuck Bednarik Award, the Ted Hendricks Award, and the Lott IMPACT Trophy. Both Tuipulotu and Williams were Unanimous First Team All-Americans, USC's first since 2012. Offensive linemen Brett Neilson and Andrew Vorhees and defensive back Calen Bullock were also named First Team All-Americans. Riley's 5 First Team All-Americans were the most in a single season since 2007 when USC also had 5 first teamers. Jordan Addison, Mekhi Blackmon, Tuli Tuipulotu, Andrew Vorhees, Caleb Williams were all selected to the All-Pac-12 First Team, and Vorhees was the offensive recipient of the Morris Trophy. Four of his Trojans (Addison, Tuipulotu, Blackmon and Vorhees) were drafted in 2022. Riley was a finalist for the 2022 Eddie Robinson Coach of the Year Award. He threw out the first pitch at a Dodgers game in May of 2022.

His 2023 Trojans went 8-5 and 5-4 in Pac-12 play. Riley's high-powered brand of offense, led by defending Heisman Trophy winner quarterback Caleb Williams, put up points all season resulting in USC ranking No. 3 in the nation in scoring offense (41.8), No. 3 in team passing efficiency (170.88), No. 5 in passing offense (333.0) and No. 10 in total offense (467.6). Williams ranked in the national Top 20 in points responsible for per game, points responsible for, passing efficiency, passing yards per game, passing touchdowns, yards per pass attempt, total offense, passing yards, completion percentage, passing yards per completion and completions per game. He was a finalist for the Manning Award and Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award. Williams was selected as the No. 1 pick in the 2024 NFL Draft by the Chicago Bears. In addition to being the only head coach to tutor three Heisman Trophy winning quarterbacks, Riley now holds the record for most quarterbacks coached who have been selected at No. 1 all-time (Baker Mayfield in 2018, Kyler Murray in 2019 and Williams in 2024). In seven years as a head coach, Riley is now also tied for the most No. 1 overall draft selections coached at any position with Georgia's Wally Butts (Frank Sinkwich in 1943, Charley Trippi in 1945 and Harry Babcock in 1953) who coached the Bulldogs from 1939 to 1960.

Also in 2023, freshman wide receiver and electric return specialist Zachariah Branch was named USC's first-ever true freshman First Team All-American for his special teams efforts. Branch also won the Jet Award presented annually to the nation's most outstanding return specialist. He was the first Trojan since Adoree Jackson in 2016 to have a punt return and kickoff return for a TD, as well as at least one receiving TD in the same season. Jackson had 2 punt returns and 2 kickoff returns for TDs and 1 TD reception during the 2016 season. Since 1971 (when records are available) Branch is one of just 3 USC players to accomplish the feat, joining Jackson and Curtis Conway (1992 - 1 kickoff return TD, 1 punt return TD, 5 rec TDs). The Trojans wrapped up the season on a high-note with a thrilling Holiday Bowl victory as quarterback Miller Moss stepped in leading the Trojans to defeat No. 16 Louisville 42-28. Moss, the Holiday Bowl Offensive MVP, threw 6 touchdown passes setting the record for most touchdown passes thrown in a Holiday Bowl, most touchdown passes thrown in a USC bowl game, most touchdown passes thrown by a USC QB in his first Trojan start and tied the Pac-12 Bowl Game passing touchdown record. Wide receiver Tahj Washington also amassed 1,000 yards for the first time in his career. S Calen Bullock and RET Zachariah Branch were named to the All-Pac-12 First Team. Seven total Trojans (Williams, Washington, Calen Bullock, MarShawn Lloyd, Jarrett Kingston, Brenden Rice and Solomon Byrd) were drafted in 2024, marking the most USC players drafted since 2011.

Riley was hired by USC on Nov. 28, 2021. He arrived after serving as the head coach at Oklahoma, winning 85 percent of his games in five seasons there and led the Sooners to four Big 12 titles and four New Year's Six bowls with three College Football Playoff appearances.

Riley posted a 55-10 overall record in his five years (2017-21) at Oklahoma for an impressive .846 winning percentage. His Sooners were 37-7 (.841) in league play and won Big 12 championships in his first four years there as he became the first person to win outright Football Bowl Subdivision conference crowns in each of his first four seasons as a collegiate head coach. He set Oklahoma records for most victories in his first two (24), three (36) and four (45) seasons, breaking marks held by Barry Switzer and Bob Stoops.

After serving as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach for two of the most prolific offenses in OU's history, Riley took over as the Sooners' head coach in 2017 when Stoops retired. He was the youngest FBS head coach (33) at the time of his hiring. He also coached the OU quarterbacks and called the offensive plays while serving as head coach, running a balanced offensive attack.

Riley led his initial Oklahoma squad to a 12-2 overall record in 2017, becoming just the fifth FBS coach with no previous head coaching experience at a four-year college to win at least 12 games in his debut season. The Sooners won the Big 12 title by going 8-1, played in the CFP semifinal in the Rose Bowl and finished third in the final AP poll. Quarterback Baker Mayfield won the Heisman Trophy that season, along with the Maxwell, Davey O'Brien, Manning, Walter Camp Player of the Year and AP Player of the Year Awards, and was the No. 1 pick of the 2018 NFL Draft. Tight end Mark Andrews won the 2017 Mackey Award.

Oklahoma was again 12-2 overall and 8-1 while winning the Big 12 championships in 2018 and 2019. He was the Big 12 Co-Coach of the Year in 2018. Quarterback Kyler Murray won the 2018 Heisman Trophy, O'Brien Award and Manning Award, was the AP Player of the Year and was the No. 1 selection in the 2020 NFL Draft, while quarterback Jalen Hurts was the Heisman runner-up in 2019. The Sooners appeared in the Orange Bowl in 2018 and Peach Bowl in 2019, both CFP semifinals. OU was fourth in the final AP poll in 2018 and seventh in 2019.

In the COVID-impacted 2020 season, Oklahoma went 9-2 overall, won the Big 12 at 6-2, beat Florida in the Cotton Bowl and was sixth in the final AP poll.

In 2021, the Sooners were 10-2 in the just-completed regular season, tied for second in the Big 12 standings at 7-2 and are ranked 13th by AP.

Riley spent 2015 and 2016 as Oklahoma's offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach. He won the Broyles Award as the nation's top assistant coach in 2015 when his offense ranked seventh nationally in total offense. In 2016, receiver Dede Westbrook won the Biletnikoff Award and was fourth in the Heisman voting, while running back Joe Mixon set the OU season all-purpose yardage record (2,337 yards) and fellow running back Samaje Perine set the school career rushing mark (4,122 yards).

Riley came to Oklahoma after five seasons (2010-14) as the offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at East Carolina. He added the title of assistant head coach in 2014. The Pirates, running a spread offensive scheme, set more than 50 team and individual school offensive records during his time there. His squads had the top five passing seasons in school history and top four total offense marks. In 2014, ECU set a school season mark with 6,929 yards of total offense. East Carolina appeared in the national Top 10 in such categories as passing and scoring offense, third down conversion percentage and red zone scoring efficiency.

His Pirate wide receivers Justin Hardy and Zay Jones became the most productive pass catchers in FBS history. Hardy caught an NCAA record 387 career passes for 4,541 yards (including a trio of 1,000-yard seasons). Jones, who Riley coached for the first two years of his career, went on to break Hardy's mark with 399 career receptions.

East Carolina quarterback Dominique Davis was the 2010 Conference USA Newcomer of the Year and set school records for career completions and TD passes. He completed an NCAA record 36 consecutive passes in 2011. He was succeeded by Shane Carden, who broke many of Davis' record. Carden set ECU season marks for passing yards (4,736 in 2014) and completion percentage (.705 in 2013) and was the Conference USA MVP in 2013 followed by the American Conference's Offensive Player of the Year in 2014.

Riley was on the football and track teams at Muleshoe (Tex.) High, a West Texas town of 5,000. He was a walk-on quarterback at Texas Tech in the spring and summer of 2003 before starting his coaching career as a student assistant there under head coach Mike Leach for three seasons (2003-05), working with the offense.

He became an offensive graduate assistant at Texas Tech in 2006, then joined the Red Raiders' fulltime staff as the wide receivers coach in 2007 and the inside wide receivers coach in 2008 and 2009. In 2009, he called plays as the interim offensive coordinator in the Alamo Bowl, producing 579 yards of offense. His wide receiver Michael Crabtree won the 2007 Biletnikoff Award while establishing Big 12 and NCAA freshman records with 134 receptions for 1,962 yards, while fellow wideout Danny Amendola also had a 100-catch, 1,000-yard season in 2007. The Red Raiders played in a bowl in each of his seven seasons and Tech quarterbacks won NCAA passing titles in 2003, 2004, 2005 and 2007.

Riley received his bachelor's degree in exercise and sports science from Texas Tech in 2006.

He was born on Sept. 5, 1983, in Lubbock, Tex. He and his wife, Caitlin, have two daughters, Sloan and Stella. His younger brother, Garrett, is the offensive coordinator at Clemson after previously coaching at TCU (where he helped coach the Horned Frogs to the 2022 National Championship game), SMU, Appalachian State, Kansas, East Carolina and Augustana College and playing quarterback at Texas Tech and Stephen F. Austin.



ASSISTANT COACHES



Dennis Simmons

**Asst. Head Coach /
Wide Receivers Coach /
Offensive Passing Game Coord.**

On the Field



D'Anton Lynn

Defensive Coordinator

On the Field



Josh Henson

**Offensive Coordinator /
Offensive Line**

On the Field



Eric Henderson

**Co-Defensive Coordinator /
Run Game Coordinator /
Defensive Line Coach**

On the Field



Anthony Jones Jr.

**Running Backs Coach /
Run Game Coordinator**

On the Field



Matt Entz

**Asst. Head Coach for Defense /
Linebackers Coach**

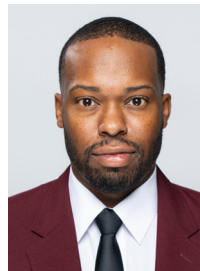
On the Field



Zach Hanson

**Asst. Head Coach for Offense /
Tight Ends Coach**

On the Field



Doug Belk

Secondary Coach

On the Field



Luke Huard

Quarterbacks Coach

In the Booth



Shaun Nua

Defensive Ends Coach

On the Field

2024 USC ROSTER - ALPHABETICAL

NO.	NAME	POS.	HGT.	WGT.	BIRTHDAY	CL.(ATH/AC)	EXP.	HOMETOWN (HIGH SCHOOL/JC/COLLEGE)
97	ABASIRI, Jide	DT	6-5	290	3/10/06	Fr.	--	Prior Lake, Minn. (Prior Lake)
90	ALEXANDER, Bear	DT	6-3	315	10/7/03	Jr.	1V	Terrell, Texas (IMG Academy/Georgia)
59	AMOS, Kash	DT	6-2	299	9/3/03	Jr.	TR	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney M. Young Magnet/ Fullerton College)
0	ARNOLD, Akili	S	6-0	200	10/25/00	R-Sr.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Mission Viejo/Oregon State)
59	BANUELOS, Micah	OL	6-2	310	12/14/04	R-Fr.	1V	Auburn, Wash. (Kennedy Catholic)
15	BEAVERS Jr., Anthony	S	6-1	215	9/24/02	R-Jr.	3V	Baldwin Hills, Calif. (St. Bernard)
28	BOATWRIGHT Jr., Jarvis	S	6-1	190	10/11/05	Fr.	--	Clearwater, Fla. (Clearwater)
1	BRANCH, Zachariah	WR	5-10	175	3/29/04	So.	1V	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
8	BRANCH, Zion	S	6-2	210	10/20/02	R-So.	1V	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
16	BROWN, Prophet	CB	5-11	190	2/3/03	R-Jr.	3V	Sacramento, Calif. (Monterey Trail)
93	BULBALAVU, Ratumana	DT	6-3	295	8/31/06	Fr.	--	Stockton, Calif. (Army and Navy Academy)
61	CHO, Brendan	DT	6-3	263	5/16/05	Fr.	--	Chatsworth, Calif. (Heritage Christian)
99	CLIFTON, Nate	DT	6-4	295	7/7/01	R-Sr.	TR	Nashville, Tenn. (Brentwood Academy/Vanderbilt)
13	COBB, Mason	LB	6-0	230	10/29/01	R-Sr.	1V	Provo, Utah (Provo/Oklahoma State)
22	CONLEY, Braylon	CB	6-0	180	11/9/05	Fr.	--	Humble, Texas (Atascocita HS)
14	COVINGTON, Jacobe	CB	6-2	200	9/13/01	R-Sr.	2V	Chandler, Ariz.(Saguaro/ Washington)
37	COWAN, Lorenzo	DE	6-3	240	8/24/06	Fr.	--	Savannah, Ga. (Jenkins)
29	CRAWFORD, Maliki	CB	6-4	185	1/19/05	R-Fr.	SQ	Oxnard, Calif.(Pacifica)
16	CZAPLICKI, Eddie	P	6-1	207	7/10/03	Sr.	1V	Charlotte, N.C. (Providence/Arizona State)
90	DAS, Asante	WR	5-10	200	10/12/01	R-Sr.	TR	Kennesaw, Ga. (Allatoona/Georgetown)
9	DAVIS, Raesjon	LB	6-0	220	4/11/02	Sr.	3V	Norco, Calif. (Mater Dei)
36	DUNN, Hunter	S	5-10	187	10/21/03	Jr.	SQ	Savannah, Ga. (Benedictine Military School)
88	ELDRIDGE, Kade	TE	6-4	250	10/2/04	R-Fr.	1V	Lynden, Wash. (Lynden Christian School)
9	FAIR, Jay	WR	5-10	185	8/13/04	Jr.	TR	Dallas, Texas (Rockwall-Heath/Auburn)
89	FASSE, Collin	WR	5-10	185	12/19/05	Fr.	--	Santa Maria, Calif. (St. Joseph)
81	FORD, Kyle	WR	6-1	225	1/20/01	R-Sr.	TR	Corona, Calif. (Orange Lutheran/USC/UCLA)
49	FOUNTAIN, Kameryn	DE	6-6	265	8/4/05	Fr.	--	Mobile, Ala. (Booker T. Washington)
30	GALLEGOS, Marquis	S	6-1	183	2/10/05	Fr.	--	North Hollywood, Calif. (Sierra Canyon)
50	GALVÁN, Matt	LB	5-11	215	7/7/03	Sr.	SQ	Fullerton, Calif. (Fullerton Union/Santa Ana College)
27	GEBBIA, Dylan	QB	6-0	185	2/27/03	R-Fr.	TR	Los Angeles, Calif. (Bishop Alemany/Hawaii/ North Texas)
18	GENTRY, Eric	LB	6-6	215	5/20/03	Sr.	2V	Philadelphia, Pa. (Saints Neumann Goretti/ Arizona State)
44	GREENE, Sam	DE	6-1	255	4/15/04	R-Fr.	1V	Washington, D.C. (St. Frances Academy)
10	HUDSON, Kyron	WR	6-1	205	5/16/02	R-Jr.	3V	Duarte, Calif. (Mater Dei)
56	HUGHES, Elijah	DT	6-3	290	6/29/05	So.	1V	Arlington, Va. (Washington-Liberty)
19	HUMPHREY, John	CB	6-2	196	7/2/02	R-Sr.	TR	Pasadena, Calif. (John Muir/UCLA)
21	JACKSON, Bryan	RB	6-0	230	4/11/06	Fr.	--	McKinney, Texas (McKinney)
17	JENSEN, Jake	QB	6-1	212	2/25/01	R-Jr.	1V	Pleasant Grove, Utah (Pleasant Grove/BYU/ Contra Costa JC)
92	JONES, Carlon	DT	6-2	310	2/1/06	Fr.	--	Bay Cities, Texas (Bay Cities)
19	JORDAN, Xavier	WR	5-11	170	12/3/05	Fr.	--	Los Angeles, Calif. (Sierra Canyon)
0	JOYNER, Quinten	RB	5-11	216	3/3/05	R-Fr.	1V	Paige, Texas (Manor)
91	JUNG, Brady	WR	5-10	166	9/15/05	Fr.	--	Menlo Park, Calif. (Menlo)
8	LANE, Ja'Kobi	WR	6-4	195	8/5/04	So.	1V	Mesa, Ariz. (Red Mountain)
96	LANTZ, Michael	K	5-11	190	10/14/00	R-Sr.	TR	Peachtree City, Ga. (Starr's Mill/Minnesota/ Georgia Southern)
6	LEMON, Makai	WR	5-11	190	6/2/04	So.	1V	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
62	LEONARD, Travis	OL	5-11	288	4/18/06	Fr.	--	Long Beach, Calif. (Junipero Serra)
6	LUCAS, Anthony	DE	6-5	275	10/8/04	Jr.	1V	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chapparal/Texas A&M)
46	LYNCH, Denis	K	5-8	185	6/26/03	R-Jr.	2V	Newbury Park, Calif. (Newbury Park)
85	LYONS, Walker	TE	6-4	235	3/13/04	Fr.	--	Folsom, Calif. (Folsom)
41	MADDEN, Garrison	LB	6-2	225	12/11/03	R-So.	1V	Hampton, Ga. (Dutchtown)
14	MAIAVA, Jayden	QB	6-4	220	4/6/03	R-So.	TR	Palolo, Hawaii. (Liberty/UNLV)
57	MARCHETTI, Roman	LB	6-2	217	12/22/03	R-So.	1V	Tustin, Calif. (Foothill)
4	MARKS, Woody	RB	5-10	208	12/29/00	R-Sr.	TR	Atlanta, Ga. (Carver/Mississippi State)
4	MASCARENAS-ARNOLD, Easton	LB	6-0	231	9/13/02	Sr.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Mission Viejo/Oregon State)
23	MATTHEWS, Walter	TE	6-5	250	10/21/05	Fr.	--	Hiram, Ga. (Hiram)
47	McDONOUGH, Devin	SNP	6-1	225	11/15/03	Jr.	TR	Redondo Beach, Calif. (Redondo Union/ El Camino College)
39	McKELVEY, Cian	RB	5-9	188	10/30/04	So.	--	Prescott, Ariz. (Prescott)
87	McREE, Lake	TE	6-4	250	9/4/02	R-Jr.	3V	Austin, Texas (Lake Travis)
91	MEYER, Gavin	DT	6-3	290	6/8/02	R-Sr.	TR	Franklin, Wisc. (Franklin/Wyoming)



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60	MILLER, Kaylor	OL	6-0	295	1/17/05	Fr.	--	Calabasas, Calif. (Calabasas)
30	MILLER, King	RB	6-0	220	1/17/05	Fr.	--	Calabasas, Calif. (Calabasas)
48	MITCHELL, Thornton	S	5-10	212	2/12/03	Jr.	--	Memphis, Tenn. (Harding Academy)
79	MONHEIM, Jonah	OL	6-5	310	6/7/02	R-Sr.	4V	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)
7	MOSS, Miller	QB	6-2	205	3/19/02	R-Jr.	3V	Los Angeles, Calif. (Bishop Alemany)
10	MUHAMMAD, Jamil	DE	6-1	260	2/1/01	R-Sr.	1V	Madison, Ala. (James Clemens/Vanderbilt/ Georgia State)
76	MURPHY, Mason	OL	6-5	315	6/21/03	R-Jr.	2V	Riverside, Calif. (JSerra Catholic)
46	NERHUS, Corey	WR	5-9	185	6/1/01	Sr.	SQ	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei/ Orange Coast CC)
26	NEWBY, Elijah	LB	6-3	220	5/3/05	Fr.	--	Cheshire, Conn. (Cheshire Academy)
17	NICHOLSON, DeCarlos	CB	6-3	195	11/16/01	R-Sr.	TR	Petal, Miss. (Petal/Miss. Gulf Coast CC/ Mississippi State)
77	NOA, Alani	OL	6-4	335	10/7/05	So.	1V	Sacramento, Calif. (Grant Union)
67	O'CONNOR, Kilian	OL	6-1	291	5/6/03	Jr.	1V	Ladera Ranch, Calif. (Santa Margarita Catholic)
18	OLSEN, Joey	TE	6-5	242	1/11/06	Fr.	--	Lake Oswego, Ore. (Lakeridge)
72	PAIGE, Elijah	OL	6-7	320	2/19/05	R-Fr.	1V	Phoenix, Ariz. (Pinnacle)
35	PEEVY, DJ	DE	6-3	260	9/21/05	R-Fr.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln)
94	PEPE, Kobe	DT	6-2	315	3/31/01	R-Sr.	3V	Long Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
31	PEPPER, Hank	SP	6-1	215	12/11/01	R-Jr.	TR	Chandler, Ariz. (Chandler/Michigan State)
22	PETERSON, A'Marion	RB	6-0	220	11/10/04	R-Fr.	1V	Wichita Falls, Texas (Hirschi)
24	PIERCE, Christian	S	6-1	195	11/1/04	So.	1V	Fontana, Calif. (Rancho Cucamonga)
39	POMERANTZ, Garrett	DE	6-2	216	10/19/03	Jr.	SQ	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
70	PREGNON, Emmanuel	OL	6-5	320	10/4/01	R-Sr.	1V	Denver, Colo. (Jefferson/Wyoming)
66	QUINONES, Gino	OL	6-3	302	4/5/00	R-Sr.	3V	Ewa Beach, Hawaii (Saint Louis)
51	QUINTANAR, Ryan	LB	5-10	222	4/5/02	R-Jr.	TR	Los Angeles, Calif. (Loyola/TCU)
7	RAMSEY, Kamari	S	6-0	204	8/24/04	R-So.	TR	Palmdale, Calif. (Sierra Canyon/UCLA)
73	RAYMOND, Tobias	OL	6-7	315	1/25/05	R-Fr.	1V	Ventura, Calif. (Ventura)
15	RICHARDSON, Jaden	WR	6-1	205	8/14/02	R-Sr.	TR	San Mateo, Calif. (Menlo School/Tufts)
2	ROBINSON, Duce	WR	6-6	220	1/19/05	So.	1V	Phoenix, Ariz. (Pinnacle)
95	ROBLES, Tyler	K	5-7	175	12/7/04	R-Fr.	1V	Encinitas, Calif. (La Costa Canyon)
84	ROSS, Charles	WR	6-1	165	11/18/00	R-Sr.	TR	Culver City, Calif. (Culver City/Nevada/ San José State)
28	ROY, Gage	QB	6-2	200	11/7/03	Jr.	SQ	Dallas, Texas (Jesuit Dallas)
38	RUBIN, Isaiah	CB	5-11	190	10/20/05	Fr.	--	Long Beach, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
78	SAINA, Makai	OL	6-3	270	9/15/05	Fr.	--	Arlington, Texas (Martin)
36	SANCHEZ, Rey	P	6-2	220	8/10/03	Jr.	TR	Carson, Calif. (Carson/Long Beach CC)
48	SAYERI, Ryon	K	5-11	180	9/8/06	Fr.	--	West Hills, Calif. (Chaminade)
40	SEHRA, Shawn	CB	5-9	170	4/29/05	So.	--	Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Oak Park)
27	SHAW, Bryson	S	6-0	190	3/29/00	R-Sr.	2V	Eldersburg, Md. (Bullis School/Ohio State)
34	SHELBY, Braylan	DE	6-5	265	8/10/05	So.	1V	Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)
45	SHEPHERD, Brandon	S	5-11	200	6/28/03	Jr.	SQ	La Cañada, Calif. (La Cañada)
40	SHIRANGI, Cameron	P	6-1	200	8/28/01	R-Sr.	TR	San Juan Capistrano, Calif. (St. Margaret's/ Pomona Pitzer/Hawaii)
2	SMITH, Jaylin	CB	5-11	190	11/5/03	Sr.	3V	Palmdale, Calif. (Bishop Alemany)
23	STEPHENS II, Desman	LB	6-3	233	7/25/06	Fr.	--	Clarkston, Mich. (Clarkston)
29	STUPIN, Jack	QB	6-0	245	3/16/05	Fr.	--	Newport Beach, Calif. (Tustin)
61	SUSNJAR, Jack	OL	6-5	315	10/9/04	R-Fr.	SQ	San Pedro, Calif. (Loyola)
58	TA'AGA, Kalolo	OL	6-7	315	3/24/06	Fr.	--	East Palo Alto, Calif. (Archbishop Riordan)
24	TABARACCI, Carson	TE	6-2	222	10/16/03	R-So.	1V	Park City, Utah (Park City/Utah)
75	TALALELE, Amos	OL	6-4	340	3/7/05	R-Fr.	SQ	Santa Clara, Calif. (Santa Clara)
65	TAOMI, Erwin`	OL	6-3	348	9/10/04	So.	TR	Anchorage, Alaska (St. Joseph's/Hancock College)
74	TAUANUU, Justin	OL	6-6	310	3/15/06	Fr.	--	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Huntington Beach)
98	THOMPSON, Devan	DT	6-5	285	2/11/04	R-So.	2V	Stockton, Calif. (Edison)
68	TRETER, Hayden	OL	6-6	325	10/27/05	Fr.	--	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)
58	TULIAUPUPU, Solomon	DE	6-3	247	3/20/00	R-Sr.	1V	Santa Ana, Calif. (Mater Dei)
21	VANCE Jr., Greedy	CB	5-11	170	10/8/01	R-Sr.	TR	Kenner, La. (Edna Karr/Louisville/Florida State)
31	WALKER, Jady	LB	6-2	225	12/13/05	Fr.	--	Portage, Mich. (Portage Northern)
98	WHITE, Garth	K	6-3	206	8/18/00	Sr.	SQ	Westlake, Calif. (Oaks Christian/Ventura JC)
25	WILLIAMS, Marcelles	CB	5-11	185	9/25/05	Fr.	--	Carson, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
83	WOOD, Donovan	WR	6-0	206	9/24/02	R-Sr.	TR	Mastic, N.Y. (Chaminade/Middlebury)
86	WOODS, CJ	TE	6-2	255	3/8/01	R-Sr.	SQ	Long Beach, Calif. (Brentwood School/ Cal Poly/Pasadena CC)
44	ZAMORA, Josiah	WR	5-8	180	11/21/01	R-Jr.	1V	Monrovia, Calif. (Mater Dei)
82	ZAMORA, Seth	WR	5-9	165	6/3/06	Fr.	--	Monrovia, Calif. (Centennial)



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0	JOYNER, Quinten	RB	5-11	216	3/3/05	R-Fr.	1V	Paige, Texas (Manor)
0	ARNOLD, Akili	S	6-0	200	10/25/00	R-Sr.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Mission Viejo/Oregon State)
1	BRANCH, Zachariah	WR	5-10	175	3/29/04	So.	1V	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
2	SMITH, Jaylin	CB	5-11	190	11/5/03	Sr.	3V	Palmdale, Calif. (Bishop Alemany)
2	ROBINSON, Duce	WR	6-6	220	1/19/05	So.	1V	Phoenix, Ariz. (Pinnacle)
4	MARKS, Woody	RB	5-10	208	12/29/00	R-Sr.	TR	Atlanta, Ga. (Carver/Mississippi State)
4	MASCARENAS-ARNOLD, Easton	LB	6-0	231	9/13/02	Sr.	TR	Mission Viejo, Calif. (Mission Viejo/Oregon State)
6	LEMON, Makai	WR	5-11	190	6/2/04	So.	1V	Los Alamitos, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
6	LUCAS, Anthony	DE	6-5	275	10/8/04	Jr.	1V	Scottsdale, Ariz. (Chapparal/Texas A&M)
7	MOSS, Miller	QB	6-2	205	3/19/02	R-Jr.	3V	Los Angeles, Calif. (Bishop Alemany)
7	RAMSEY, Kamari	S	6-0	204	8/24/04	R-So.	TR	Palmdale, Calif. (Sierra Canyon/UCLA)
8	LANE, Ja'Kobi	WR	6-4	195	8/5/04	So.	1V	Mesa, Ariz. (Red Mountain)
8	BRANCH, Zion	S	6-2	210	10/20/02	R-So.	1V	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
9	FAIR, Jay	WR	5-10	185	8/13/04	Jr.	TR	Dallas, Texas (Rockwall-Heath/Auburn)
9	DAVIS, Raesjon	LB	6-0	220	4/11/02	Sr.	3V	Norco, Calif. (Mater Dei)
10	HUDSON, Kyrion	WR	6-1	205	5/16/02	R-Jr.	3V	Duarte, Calif. (Mater Dei)
10	MUHAMMAD, Jamil	DE	6-1	260	2/1/01	R-Sr.	1V	Madison, Ala. (James Clemens/Vanderbilt/ Georgia State)
13	COBB, Mason	LB	6-0	230	10/29/01	R-Sr.	1V	Provo, Utah (Provo/Oklahoma State)
14	MAIAVA, Jayden	QB	6-4	220	4/6/03	R-So.	TR	Palolo, Hawaii (Liberty/UNLV)
14	COVINGTON, Jacobe	CB	6-2	200	9/13/01	R-Sr.	2V	Chandler, Ariz. (Saguaro/ Washington)
15	RICHARDSON, Jaden	WR	6-1	205	8/14/02	R-Sr.	TR	San Mateo, Calif. (Menlo School/Tufts)
15	BEAVERS JR., Anthony	S	6-1	215	9/24/02	R-Jr.	3V	Baldwin Hills, Calif. (St. Bernard)
16	BROWN, Prophet	CB	5-11	190	2/3/03	R-Jr.	3V	Sacramento, Calif. (Monterey Trail)
16	CZAPLICKI, Eddie	P	6-1	207	7/10/03	Sr.	1V	Charlotte, N.C. (Providence/Arizona State)
17	JENSEN, Jake	QB	6-1	212	2/25/01	R-Jr.	1V	Pleasant Grove, Utah (Pleasant Grove/BYU/ Contra Costa JC)
17	NICHOLSON, DeCarlos	CB	6-3	195	11/16/01	R-Sr.	TR	Petal, Miss. (Petal/Miss. Gulf Coast CC/ Mississippi State)
18	OLSEN, Joey	TE	6-5	242	1/11/06	Fr.	--	Lake Oswego, Ore. (Lakeridge)
18	GENTRY, Eric	LB	6-6	215	5/20/03	Sr.	2V	Philadelphia, Pa. (Saints Neumann Goretti/ Arizona State)
19	JORDAN, Xavier	WR	5-11	170	12/3/05	Fr.	--	Los Angeles, Calif. (Sierra Canyon)
19	HUMPHREY, John	CB	6-2	196	7/2/02	R-Sr.	TR	Pasadena, Calif. (John Muir/UCLA)
21	JACKSON, Bryan	RB	6-0	230	4/11/06	Fr.	--	McKinney, Texas (McKinney)
21	VANCE Jr., Greedy	CB	5-11	170	10/8/01	R-Sr.	TR	Kenner, La. (Edna Karr/Louisville/Florida State)
22	PETERSON, A'Marion	RB	6-0	220	11/10/04	R-Fr.	1V	Wichita Falls, Texas (Hirschi)
22	CONLEY, Braylon	CB	6-0	180	11/9/05	Fr.	--	Humble, Texas (Atascocita HS)
23	MATTHEWS, Walter	TE	6-5	250	10/21/05	Fr.	--	Hiram, Ga. (Hiram)
23	STEPHENS II, Desman	LB	6-3	233	7/25/06	Fr.	--	Clarkston, Mich. (Clarkston)
24	TABARACCI, Carson	TE	6-2	222	10/16/03	R-So.	1V	Park City, Utah (Park City/Utah)
24	PIERCE, Christian	S	6-1	195	11/1/04	So.	1V	Fontana, Calif. (Rancho Cucamonga)
25	WILLIAMS, Marcelles	CB	5-11	185	9/25/05	Fr.	--	Carson, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
26	NEWBY, Elijah	LB	6-3	220	5/3/05	Fr.	--	Cheshire, Conn. (Cheshire Academy)
27	GEBBIA, Dylan	QB	6-0	185	2/27/03	R-Fr.	TR	Los Angeles, Calif. (Bishop Alemany/Hawaii/ North Texas)
27	SHAW, Bryson	S	6-0	190	3/29/00	R-Sr.	2V	Eldersburg, Md. (Bullis School/ Ohio State)
28	ROY, Gage	QB	6-2	200	11/7/03	Jr.	SQ	Dallas, Texas (Jesuit Dallas)
28	BOATWRIGHT Jr., Jarvis	S	6-1	190	10/11/05	Fr.	--	Clearwater, Fla. (Clearwater)
29	STUPIN, Jack	QB	6-0	245	3/16/05	Fr.	--	Newport Beach, Calif. (Tustin)
29	CRAWFORD, Maliki	CB	6-4	185	1/19/05	R-Fr.	SQ	Oxnard, Calif. (Pacifica)
30	MILLER, King	RB	6-0	220	1/17/05	Fr.	--	Calabasas, Calif. (Calabasas)
30	GALLEGOS, Marquis	S	6-1	183	2/10/05	Fr.	--	North Hollywood, Calif. (Sierra Canyon)
31	WALKER, JadyN	LB	6-2	225	12/13/05	Fr.	--	Portage, Mich. (Portage Northern)
31	PEPPER, Hank	SNP	6-1	215	12/11/01	R-Jr.	TR	Chandler, Ariz. (Chandler/Michigan State)
34	SHELBY, Braylan	DE	6-5	265	8/10/05	So.	1V	Friendswood, Texas (Friendswood)
35	PEEVY, DJ	DE	6-3	260	9/21/05	R-Fr.	SQ	San Diego, Calif. (Lincoln)
36	DUNN, Hunter	S	5-10	187	10/21/03	Jr.	SQ	Savannah, Ga. (Benedictine Military School)
36	SANCHEZ, Rey	P	6-2	220	8/10/03	Jr.	TR	Carson, Calif. (Carson/Long Beach CC)
37	COWAN, Lorenzo	DE	6-3	240	8/24/06	Fr.	--	Savannah, Ga. (Jenkins)
38	RUBIN, Isaiah	CB	5-11	190	10/20/05	Fr.	--	Long Beach, Calif. (Los Alamitos)
39	McKELVEY, Cian	RB	5-9	188	10/30/04	So.	--	Prescott, Ariz. (Prescott)
39	POMERANTZ, Garrett	DE	6-2	216	10/19/03	Jr.	SQ	Las Vegas, Nev. (Bishop Gorman)
40	SEHRA, Shawn	CB	5-9	170	4/29/05	So.	TR	Thousand Oaks, Calif. (Oak Park)
40	SHIRANGI, Cameron	P	6-1	200	8/28/01	R-Sr.	TR	San Juan Capistrano, Calif. (St. Margaret's/ Pomona Pitzer/Hawaii)



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41	MADDEN, Garrison	LB	6-2	225	12/11/03	R-So.	1V	Hampton, Ga. (Dutchtown)
44	ZAMORA, Josiah	WR	5-8	180	11/21/01	R-Jr.	1V	Monrovia, Calif. (Mater Dei)
44	GREENE, Sam	DE	6-1	255	4/15/04	R-Fr.	1V	Washington, D.C. (St. Frances Academy)
45	SHEPHERD, Brandon	S	5-11	200	6/28/03	Jr.	SQ	La Cañada, Calif. (La Cañada)
46	NERHUS, Corey	WR	5-9	185	6/1/01	Sr.	SQ	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Mater Dei/ Orange Coast CC)
46	LYNCH, Denis	K	5-8	185	6/26/03	R-Jr.	2V	Newbury Park, Calif. (Newbury Park)
47	McDONOUGH, Devin	SNP	6-1	225	11/15/03	Jr.	TR	Redondo Beach, Calif. (Redondo Union/ El Camino College)
48	MITCHELL, Thornton	S	5-10	212	2/12/03	Jr.	--	Memphis, Tenn. (Harding Academy)
48	SAYERI, Ryon	K	5-11	180	9/8/06	Fr.	--	West Hills, Calif. (Chaminade)
49	FOUNTAIN, Kameryn	DE	6-6	265	8/4/05	Fr.	--	Mobile, Ala. (Booker T. Washington)
50	GALVÁN, Matt	LB	5-11	215	7/7/03	Sr.	SQ	Fullerton, Calif. (Fullerton Union/ Santa Ana College)
51	QUINTANAR, Ryan	LB	5-10	222	4/5/02	R-Jr.	--	Los Angeles, Calif. (Loyola/TCU)
56	HUGHES, Elijah	DT	6-3	290	6/29/05	So.	1V	Arlington, Va. (Washington-Liberty)
57	MARCHETTI, Roman	LB	6-2	217	12/22/03	R-So.	1V	Tustin, Calif. (Foothill)
58	TA'AGA, Kalolo	OL	6-7	315	3/24/06	Fr.	--	East Palo Alto, Calif. (Archbishop Riordian)
58	TULIAUPUPU, Solomon	DE	6-3	247	3/20/00	R-Sr.	1V	Santa Ana, Calif. (Mater Dei)
59	BANUELOS, Micah	OL	6-2	310	12/14/04	R-Fr.	1V	Auburn, Wash. (Kennedy Catholic)
59	AMOS, Kash	DT	6-2	299	9/3/03	Jr.	TR	Chicago, Ill. (Whitney M. Young Magnet/ Fullerton College)
60	MILLER, Kaylor	OL	6-0	295	1/17/05	Fr.	--	Calabasas, Calif. (Calabasas)
61	SUSNJAR, Jack	OL	6-5	315	10/9/04	R-Fr.	SQ	San Pedro, Calif. (Loyola)
61	CHO, Brendan	DT	6-3	263	5/16/05	Fr.	--	Chatsworth, Calif. (Heritage Christian)
62	LEONARD, Travis	OL	5-11	288	4/18/06	Fr.	--	Long Beach, Calif. (Junipero Serra)
65	TAOMI, Erwin`	OL	6-3	348	9/10/04	So.	TR	Anchorage, Alaska (St. Joseph's/Hancock College)
66	QUINONES, Gino	OL	6-3	302	4/5/00	R-Sr.	3V	Ewa Beach, Hawaii (Saint Louis)
67	O'CONNOR, Kilian	OL	6-1	291	5/6/03	Jr.	1V	Ladera Ranch, Calif. (Santa Margarita Catholic)
68	TRETER, Hayden	OL	6-6	325	10/27/05	Fr.	--	Greenwood Village, Colo. (Cherry Creek)
70	PREGNON, Emmanuel	OL	6-5	320	10/4/01	R-Sr.	1V	Denver, Colo. (Jefferson/Wyoming)
72	PAIGE, Elijah	OL	6-7	320	2/199/05	R-Fr.	1V	Phoenix, Ariz. (Pinnacle)
73	RAYMOND, Tobias	OL	6-7	315	1/25/05	R-Fr.	1V	Ventura, Calif. (Ventura)
74	TAUANUU, Justin	OL	6-6	310	3/15/06	Fr.	--	Huntington Beach, Calif. (Huntington Beach)
75	TALALELE, Amos	OL	6-4	340	3/7/05	R-Fr.	SQ	Santa Clara, Calif. (Santa Clara)
76	MURPHY, Mason	OL	6-5	315	6/21/03	R-Jr.	2V	Riverside, Calif. (JSerra Catholic)
77	NOA, Alani	OL	6-4	335	10/7/05	So.	1V	Sacramento, Calif. (Grant Union)
78	SAINA, Makai	OL	6-3	270	9/15/05	Fr.	--	Arlington, Texas (Martin)
79	MONHEIM, Jonah	OL	6-5	310	6/7/02	R-Sr.	4V	Moorpark, Calif. (Moorpark)
81	FORD, Kyle	WR	6-1	225	1/20/01	R-Sr.	TR	Corona, Calif. (Orange Lutheran/USC/UCLA)
82	ZAMORA, Seth	WR	5-9	165	6/3/06	Fr.	--	Monrovia, Calif. (Centennial)
83	WOOD, Donovan	WR	6-0	206	9/24/02	R-Sr.	TR	Mastic, N.Y. (Chaminade/Middlebury)
84	ROSS, Charles	WR	6-1	165	11/18/00	R-Sr.	TR	Culver City, Calif. (Culver City/Nevada/ San José State)
85	LYONS, Walker	TE	6-4	235	3/13/04	Fr.	--	Folsom, Calif. (Folsom)
86	WOODS, CJ	TE	6-2	255	3/8/01	R-Sr.	SQ	Long Beach, Calif. (Brentwood School)
87	McREE, Lake	TE	6-4	250	9/4/02	R-Jr.	3V	Austin, Texas (Lake Travis)
88	ELDRIDGE, Kade	TE	6-4	250	10/2/04	R-Fr.	1V	Lynden, Wash. (Lynden Christian School)
89	FASSE, Collin	WR	5-10	185	12/19/05	Fr.	--	Santa Maria, Calif. (St. Joseph)
90	DAS, Asante	WR	5-10	200	10/12/01	R-Sr.	TR	Kennesaw, Ga. (Allatoona/Georgetown)
90	ALEXANDER, Bear	DT	6-3	315	10/7/03	Jr.	1V	Terrell, Texas (IMG Academy/Georgia)
91	JUNG, Brady	WR	5-10	166	9/15/05	Fr.	--	Menlo Park, Calif. (Menlo)
91	MEYER, Gavin	DT	6-3	290	6/8/02	R-Sr.	TR	Franklin, Wisc. (Franklin/Wyoming)
92	JONES, Carlon	DT	6-2	310	2/1/06	Fr.	--	Bay Cities, Texas (Bay Cities)
93	BULABALAVU, Ratumana	DT	6-3	295	8/31/06	Fr.	--	Stockton, Calif. (Army and Navy Academy)
94	PEPE, Kobe	DT	6-2	315	3/31/01	R-Sr.	3V	Long Beach, Calif. (St. John Bosco)
95	ROBLES, Tyler	K	5-7	175	12/7/04	R-Fr.	1V	Encinitas, Calif. (La Costa Canyon)
96	LANTZ, Michael	K	5-11	190	10/14/00	R-Sr.	TR	Peachtree City, Ga. (Starr's Mill/Minnesota/ Georgia Southern)
97	ABASIRI, Jide	DT	6-5	290	3/10/06	Fr.	--	Prior Lake, Minn. (Prior Lake)
98	THOMPSON, Devin	DT	6-5	285	2/11/04	R-So.	2V	Stockton, Calif. (Edison)
98	WHITE, Garth	K	6-3	206	8/18/00	Sr.	SQ	Westlake, Calif. (Oaks Christian/Ventura JC)
99	CLIFTON, Nate	DT	6-4	295	7/7/01	R-Sr.	TR	Nashville, Tenn. (Brentwood Academy/Vanderbilt)

2024 STATS

EDDIE CZAPLICKI PUNTS

GAME	PUNTS	WITHIN 20 (TOUCHBACKS)	50+ YARDS
LSU	3	1 (0)	3
USU	1	1 (0)	0
MICH	7	2 (0)	5**
WISC	3	1 (0)	0
MINN	2	1 (0)	2
PSU	4	3 (0)	2
MD	5	3 (0)	2
RU	2	1 (0)	1
UW	2	2 (0)	0
NEB	4	4 (0)	3
UCLA	3	3 (0)	1
TOTAL	36	22 (0)	19

MILLER MOSS PUNTS

GAME	PUNTS	WITHIN 20 (TOUCHBACKS)	50+ YARDS
RU	1	1 (0)	0
TOTAL	1	1 (0)	0

MICHAEL LANTZ KICKOFFS

GAME	KICKOFFS	TOUCHBACKS
LSU	6	4
USU	9	8
MICH	5	4
WISC	7	3
MINN	3	2
PSU	7	6
MD	5	4
RU	7	4
UW	4	2
NEB	5	4
UCLA	6	4
TOTAL	64	45

RED ZONE PRODUCTION

GAME	USC	OPPONENT
LSU	4-of-5 (TD, FG, missed FG, FG, TD)	3-of-4 (turnover on downs, TD, TD, FG)
USU	8-of-8 (FG, TD, TD, FG, TD, TD, TD, TD)	0-of-1 (backed out of red zone)
MICH	4-of-5 (FG, TD, fumble/FF & fumble recovery, TD, TD)	1-of-1 (TD)
WISC	4-of-4 (FG, TD, TD, TD)	2-of-3 (TD, TD, turnover on downs)
MINN	2-of-2 (TD, TD)	4-of-4 (FG, TD, TD, TD)
PSU	2-of-2 (TD, TD)	6-of-6 (FG, FG, TD, FG, TD, FG)
MD	2-of-2 (TD, TD)	4-of-5 (TD, TD, INT, TD, TD)
RU	4-of-4 (TD, TD, TD, TD)	3-of-4 (FG, TD, FG, turnover on downs)
UW	2-of-4 (TD, TD, turnover on downs, turnover on downs)	4-of-4 (FG, TD, TD, TD)
NEB	3-of-4 (TD, TD, blocked FG, TD)	2-of-3 (FG, FG, INT)
UCLA	5-of-5 (FG, FG, FG, TD, FG)	2-of-2 (TD, FG)
TOTAL	40-of-45 (0.889)	31-of-37 (0.838)
	30--TD	19--TD
	10--FG	12--FG
	1--missed FG	3--turnover on downs
	1--fumble/FF & fumble recovery	1--backed out of red zone
	2--turnover on downs	2--INT
	1--blocked FG	



USC IN NCAA/BIG TEN STAT RANKINGS [as of 11/24/24]

NAME	CATEGORY	VALUE	NCAA RANK*	BIG TEN RANK**
Makai Lemon	Kickoff Returns	29.3	2	1
Miller Moss	Completions Per Game	25.89	5	1
Miller Moss	Passing Yards Per Game	283.9	9	1
Woody Marks	All Purpose	129.18	16	2
Miller Moss	Total Offense	281.9	18	2
Woody Marks	Rushing Yards	1,100	19	3
Woody Marks	Rushing Yards Per Game	100.0	20	3
Miller Moss	Passing Yards	2,555	--	4
Kamari Ramsey	Forced Fumbles	0.25	--	4
Miller Moss	Points Responsible For Per Game	13.3	--	4
Woody Marks	Rush Yards Per Carry	5.73	--	4
Makai Lemon	Combined Kick Returns	351	--	4
Miller Moss	Passing TDs	18	--	5
Michael Lantz	Total Points Scored	82	--	5

USC	Net Punting	46.24	1	1
USC	Blocked Punts Allowed	0	T1	T1
USC	Passing Offense	285.5	14	2
USC	3rd Down Conv. Pct. Defense	0.322	18	2
USC	Sacks Allowed	1.18	21	5
USC	First Downs Offense	249	22	4
USC	Kickoff Returns	24.05	22	4
USC	Red Zone Offense	0.889	--	4
USC	Total Offense	429.7	--	4

*Top 25 only

**Top 5 only

2024 Team/Individual Stats



2024 Results: (Overall: 6-5 | Big Ten: 4-5 | Home: 4-1 | Away: 1-4 | Neutral: 1-0)

Date	AP	Opp. / Rank	TV	Site	Result	Attend.	Top Passer	Top Rusher	Top Receiver	Top Tackler
9/1	23	LSU / 13	ABC	Allegiant Stadium	W 27-20	63,969	Moss (27-36-0, 378 yds, 1 TD)	Marks (16-68-2)	Hudson (5-83-0)	Ramsey (9)
9/7	13	Utah State / NR	BTN	Coliseum	W 48-0	68,110	Moss (21-30-0, 229 yds, 1 TD)	Marks (13-103-1)	McRee (4-81-0)	Gentry & Mascarenas-Arnold (7)
9/21	11	Michigan / 18	CBS	Ann Arbor, Mich.	L 24-27	110,702	Moss (28-51-1, 283 yds, 3 TDs)	Marks (13-100-0)	Branch (6-98-0)	Gentry (12)
9/28	13	Wisconsin / NR	CBS	Coliseum	W, 38-21	74,118	Moss (30-45-1, 308 yds, 3 TDs)	Marks (19-63-0)	Lane (10-105-2)	Gentry, Nicholson, Ramsey & Pepe (4)
10/5	11	Minnesota / NR	BTN	Minneapolis, Minn.	L, 17-24	50,913	Moss (23-38-2, 200 yds, 1 TD)	Marks (20-134-1)	Hudson (5-54-0)	Mascarenas-Arnold (14)
10/12	NR	Penn State / 4	CBS	Coliseum	L, 30-33 (OT)	75,250	Moss (20-34-1, 220 yds, 2 TDs)	Marks (20-111-0)	Lemon (6-73-0)	Mascarenas-Arnold (13)
10/19	NR	Maryland / NR	FS1	College Park, Md.	L, 28-29	43,013	Moss (34-50-1, 336 yds, 3 TDs)	Marks (17-82-1)	Lemon (8-89-0)	Smith (11)
10/25	NR	Rutgers / NR	FOX	Coliseum	W, 42-20	63,404	Moss (20-28-0, 308 yds, 2 TDs)	Marks (15-94-3)	Lemon (4-134-1)	Mascarenas-Arnold (11)
11/2	NR	Washington / NR	BTN	Seattle, Wash.	L, 21-26	71,251	Moss (30-50-3, 293 yds, 2 TDs)	Marks (22-123-1)	Lemon (8-70-1)	Smith, Cobb, Mascarenas-Arnold (7)
11/16	NR	Nebraska / NR	FOX	Coliseum	W, 28-20	75,304	Maiava (25-35-1, 259 yds, 3 TDs)	Marks (19-146-0)	Branch (6-41-1) Marks (6-36-0)	Cobb (9)
11/23	NR	UCLA / NR	NBC	Pasadena, Calif.	W 19-13	59,473	Maiava (19-35-0, 221 yds, 1 TD)	Marks (18-76-0)	Hudson (6-79-0)	Cobb (7)
11/30	NR	Notre Dame / 5	CBS	Coliseum	--	--	--	--	--	--
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STARTERS

Offense	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR/TE	WR/TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT
LSU	Moss	Marks	Za. Branch	Hudson	McRee	Eldridge	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Utah State	Moss	Marks	Lemon	Hudson	McRee	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Michigan	Moss	Marks	Lemon	Hudson	McRee	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Wisconsin	Moss	Marks	Robinson	Hudson	Za. Branch	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Talalele	Murphy
Minnesota	Moss	Marks	Za. Branch	Hudson	Robinson	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Penn State	Moss	Marks	Branch	Hudson	Lyons	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Maryland	Moss	Marks	Lemon	Robinson	McRee	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Rutgers	Moss	Marks	Lemon	Hudson	Branch	Lane	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Washington	Moss	Marks	Branch	Hudson	McRee	Ford	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Nebraska	Maiava	Marks	Branch	Robinson	McRee	Lyons	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
UCLA	Maiava	Marks	Branch	Robinson	McRee	Lyons	Paige	Pregnon	Monheim	Noa	Murphy
Notre Dame											

Defense	DE	DT	DT	DE	MLB	WLB	CB	S	S	CB	NB/SLB
LSU	Muhammad	Clifton	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Vance Jr.
Utah State	Muhammad	Clifton	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Gentry	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Humphrey	Vance Jr.
Michigan	Muhammad	Clifton	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Gentry
Wisconsin	Muhammad	Clifton	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Shaw	Ramsey	Smith	Vance Jr.
Minnesota	Muhammad	Clifton	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Beavers
Penn State	Muhammad	Thompkins	Meyer	Lucas	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Humphrey	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Beavers
Maryland	Muhammad	Thompkins	Meyer	Shelby	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Nicholson	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Vance Jr.
Rutgers	Muhammad	Thompkins	Clifton	Shelby	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Nicholson	Arnold	Zi. Branch	Humphrey	Shaw
Washington	Muhammad	Thompkins	Meyer	Shelby	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Nicholson	Arnold	Shaw	Smith	Beavers
Nebraska	Greene	Thompkins	Clifton	Fountain	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Vance Jr.
UCLA	Greene	Clifton	Meyer	Fountain	Mascarenas-Arnold	Cobb	Covington	Arnold	Ramsey	Smith	Beavers Jr.
Notre Dame											





Punt Returns

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
Branch, Zachariah	11	63	5.7	0	20
Total	11	63	5.7	0	20
Opponents	12	83	6.9	0	19

Kick Returns

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
Branch, Zachariah	5	105	21.0	0	46
Lemon, Makai	12	351	29.3	0	80
Peterson, A'Marion	1	14	14.0	0	14
Team	1	-13	-13.0	0	0
Total	19	457	24.1	0	80
Opponents	12	328	27.3	0	74

Interceptions

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	LG
Cobb, Mason	2	55	27.5	1	55
Mascarenas-Arnold, Easton	2	5	2.5	0	5
Stephens II, Desman	1	42	42.0	0	42
Robinson, Duce	1	35	35.0	0	35
Smith, Jaylin	2	0	0.0	0	0
Vance Jr., Greedy	1	0	0.0	0	0
Total	9	137	19.6	1	55
Opponents	10	226	22.6	1	51

Field Goals By Player

Name	FGM-FGA	PCT.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	BLK
Lantz, Michael	14-20	.700	1-1	6-8	3-3	3-6	1-2	54	2

Field Goals Sequence

Numbers in parenthesis indicate made field goals

	USC	Opponents
LSU	(22), 29, (35)	(45), (31)
Utah State	(23), (24)	--
Michigan	(29)	--
Wisconsin	(41)	--
Minnesota	47, (54)	(32)
Penn State	(45), (47), (39), 45	(34), (33), (20), (36)
Maryland	41	52
Rutgers	--	--
Washington	52	(39), (45)
Nebraska	27	(29), (30)
UCLA	(19), (23), (22), (30)	(51), (29)
Notre Dame		

Punting

Name	No.	Yds,	Avg.	LG.	TB	FC	In20	50+	BLK
Czaplicki, Eddie	36	1,755	48.8	62	0	12	22	19	0
Moss, Miller	1	39	39.0	39	0	0	1	0	0
Total	37	1,794	48.5	62	0	12	23	19	0
Opponents	47	2,017	42.9	74	1	23	23	13	0

Kickoffs

Name	No.	Yds,	Avg.	TB	OB
Lantz, Michael	64	4,118	64.3	45	0
Total	64	4,118	64.3	45	0
Opponents	51	3,159	61.9	27	1



Game-By-Game Stats



OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

PASSING (Quarterback Only)

Moss, Miller	Comp	Att	INT	Pct	Yards	TD	Long
LSU	27	36	0	.750	378	1	41
Utah State	21	30	0	.700	229	1	34
Michigan	28	51	1	.549	283	3	42
Wisconsin	30	45	1	.667	308	3	32
Minnesota	23	38	2	.605	200	1	18
Penn State	20	34	1	.588	220	2	33
Maryland	34	50	1	.680	336	3	26
Rutgers	20	28	0	.714	308	2	70
Washington	30	50	3	.600	293	2	42
Total							

Maiava, Jayden	Comp	Att	INT	Pct	Yards	TD	Long
Utah State	8	11	0	.727	66	0	22
Wisconsin	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0
Nebraska	25	35	1	.714	259	3	48
UCLA	19	35	0	.543	221	1	64
Notre Dame							
Total	8	11	0	.727	66	0	22

Rushing

Player	No-Yds / TD	LSU	Utah State	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Penn State	Maryland	Rutgers	Washington	Nebraska	UCLA	Notre Dame
Marks, Woody	192-1,100 / 9	16-68 / 2	13-103 / 1	13-100 / 0	19-63 / 0	20-134 / 1	20-111 / 0	17-82 / 1	15-94 / 3	22-123 / 1	19-146 / 0	18-76 / 0	
Joyner, Quinten	53-395 / 3	4-12 / 0	10-84 / 2	3-23 / 0	6-49 / 0	4-44 / 0	3-82 / 1	3-6 / 0	3-14 / 0	6-38 / 0	7-19 / 0	4-24 / 0	
Jackson, Bryan	14-51 / 0	--	7-34 / 0	--	4-12 / 0	1-2 / 0	--	--	2-3 / 0	--	--	--	
Peterson, A'Marion	4-22 / 1	--	3-18 / 1	--	--	--	--	--	1-4 / 0	--	--	--	
Branch, Zachariah	2-17 / 0	--	--	--	1-15 / 0	1-2 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Moss, Miller	21(-18) / 2	2(-8) / 0	1-7 / 0	5(-27) / 0	5-17 / 1	2(-9) / 0	1(-4) / 0	3(-6) / 0	1-7 / 1	1-5 / 0	--	--	
Maiava, Jayden	8-47 / 2	--	1-7 / 1	--	1-7 / 0	--	--	--	1-13 / 0	--	5-20 / 1	--	
Team	5(-10) / 0	1(-3) / 0	2(-4) / 0	--	1(-2) / 0	--	--	1(-1) / 0	--	--	1(-3) / 0	3(-5) / 0	

Receiving

Player	No-Yds / TD	LSU	Utah State	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Penn State	Maryland	Rutgers	Washington	Nebraska	UCLA	Notre Dame
Hudson, Kyron	36-436 / 3	5-83 / 0	1-16 / 0	3-31 / 0	4-42 / 0	5-54 / 0	4-36 / 1	4-41 / 1	--	1-19 / 0	3-35 / 1	6-79 / 0	
McRee, Lake	23-243 / 0	5-56 / 0	4-81 / 0	3(-3) / 0	--	--	--	4-35 / 0	1-14 / 0	3-15 / 0	1-9 / 0	2-36 / 0	
Branch, Zachariah	43-458 / 1	4-56 / 0	4-19 / 0	6-98 / 0	4-38 / 0	3-10 / 0	2-6 / 0	4-43 / 0	2-26 / 0	6-102 / 0	6-41 / 1	2-13 / 0	
Lane, Ja'Kobi	33-372 / 6	3-50 / 1	2-16 / 0	4-50 / 1	10-105 / 2	2-13 / 0	2-18 / 0	4-51 / 1	2-18 / 0	3-47 / 0	--	1-4 / 1	
Marks, Woody	47-321 / 0	3-7 / 0	3-30 / 0	5-40 / 0	4-29 / 0	4-30 / 0	2-44 / 0	4(-3) / 0	5-48 / 0	7-26 / 0	6-36 / 0	4-25 / 0	
Robinson, Duce	20-333 / 5	2-49 / 0	--	2-19 / 1	2-40 / 1	4-39 / 1	1-25 / 0	3-52 / 1	--	1-5 / 0	4-90 / 1	1-14 / 0	
Ford, Kyle	177-217 / 2	2-45 / 0	2-35 / 0	--	2-24 / 0	2-17 / 0	--	2-14 / 0	4-45 / 1	1-9 / 1	2-28 / 0	--	
Lemon, Makai	37-532 / 3	1-22 / 0	3-29 / 1	--	--	3-37 / 0	6-73 / 0	8-89 / 0	4-134 / 1	8-70 / 1	2-15 / 0	2-69 / 0	
Eldridge, Kade	3-19 / 0	1-6 / 0	1-11 / 0	--	1-2 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Joyner, Quinten	11-76 / 1	1-4 / 0	1-9 / 0	2-6 / 0	1-10 / 0	--	2-12 / 1	--	1-10 / 0	--	1-5 / 0	2-20 / 0	
Lyons, Walker	5-25 / 0	--	3-21 / 0	--	2-12 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Falir, Jay	8-78 / 1	--	2-3 / 0	3-42 / 1	--	--	1-6 / 0	1-14 / 0	1-13 / 0	--	--	--	
Richardson, Jaden	1-19 / 0	--	1-19 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Ross, Charles	1-11 / 0	--	1-11 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Jackson, Bryan	1-0 / 0	--	1-0 / 0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	



Defensive Stats



USC Giveaways/Takeways

Game	Giveaways			Takeaways			Diff.
	Fum	INT	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	
LSU	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Utah State	1	0	1	0	1	1	0
Michigan	1	1	2	2	0	2	0
Wisconsin	2	1	3	1	1	2	-1
Minnesota	1	2	3	1	0	1	-2
Penn State	0	1	1	0	3	3	2
Maryland	0	1	1	1	1	2	1
Rutgers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Washington	0	3	3	0	0	0	-3
Nebraska	1	1	2	0	2	2	0
UCLA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Notre Dame							
Total	6	10	16	5	9	14	-2

Opening Drives-Offense

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
LSU	Punt	Punt
Utah State	Field Goal	Touchdown
Michigan	Punt	Touchdown
Wisconsin	Touchdown	Punt (muffed & recoverd by USC)
Minnesota	Missed Field Goal	Touchdown
Penn State	Punt	Punt
Maryland	Punt	Interception
Rutgers	Touchdown	Punt
Washington	Punt	Touchdown
Nebraska	Punt	Touchdown
UCLA	Punt	Turnover on Downs
Notre Dame		

USC On Pregame Coin Flip

Game	Result	Score
LSU	Lost (LSU received)	W, 27-20
Utah State	Lost (USC received)	W, 48-0
Michigan	Win (USC deferred)	L, 24-27
Wisconsin	Loss (Wisc. deferred)	W, 38-21
Minnesota	Loss (Minn. deferred)	L, 17-24
Penn State	Win (USC receive)	L, 30-33, OT
Maryland	Win (USC receive)	L, 28-29
Rutgers	Win (USC receive)	W, 42-20
Washington	Win (USC receive)	L, 21-26
Nebraska	Loss (USC receive)	W, 28-20
UCLA	Won (USC deferred)	W, 19-13
Notre Dame	--	--

Opening Drives-Defense

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
LSU	Turnover on Downs	Punt
Utah State	Punt	Turnover on Downs
Michigan	Punt	Punt
Wisconsin	Touchdown	Punt
Minnesota	Punt	Punt
Penn State	Field Goal	Touchdown
Maryland	Punt	Turnover on Downs
Rutgers	Field Goal	Punt
Washington	Punt	Punt
Nebraska	Punt	Field Goal
UCLA	Field Goal	Touchdown
Notre Dam		





Defense Game-By-Game

Players	Total	LSU	Utah St.	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Penn St.	Maryland	Rutgers	UW	Nebraska	UCLA	Notre Dame
Ramsey, Kamari	45	9	3	3	4	1	10	7	--	--	6	2	
Gentry, Eric	30	7	7	12	4		--	--	--	--	--	--	
Cobb, Mason	68	7	--	5	2	11	6	5	9	7	9	7	
Smith, Jaylin	51	7	--	7	1	4	5	11	--	7	6	3	
Mascarenas-Arnold, Easton	88	6	7	7	2	14	13	7	11	7	8	6	
Arnold, Akili	47	6	2	6	--	8	7	6	3	2	1	6	
Covington, Jacobe	25	5	3	6	1	3	--	--	--	--	2	5	
Vance Jr., Greedy	24	4	1	2	3	1	--	5	--	4	1	3	
Beavers Jr., Anthony	13	--	--	--	--	6	2	--	--	2	--	3	
Shelby, Braylan	20	3	1	3	--	2	1	3	2	4	--	1	
Clifton, Nate	17	3	--	--	2	3	2	3	1	1	--	2	
Humphrey, John	17	3	1	--	2	--	3	4	1	2	--	1	
Meyer, Gavin	27	3	1	2	2	2	2	--	4	2	5	4	
Nicholson, DeCarlos	22	2	--	--	4	1	2	3	5	1	3	1	
Lucas, Anthony	16	2	1	3	2	2	6	--	--	--	--	--	
Pierce, Christian	6	1	1	--	--	--	--	--	3	--	1	--	
Alexander, Bear	5	1	1	3	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Muhammad, Jamil	19	1	2	3	2	4	2	1	--	1	--	3	
Thompkins, Devan	18	--	1	--	1	2	2	3	6	2	1	--	
Tuliaupupu, Solomon	13	1	2	--	1	1	--	1	4	--	3	--	
Branch, Zion	19	--	3	--	2	--	4	--	4	5	1	--	
Fountain, Kameryn	11	--	3	--	--	--	--	--	2	1	4	1	
Davis, Raesjon	5	--	2	2	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Stephens II, Desman	10	--	2	--	--	--	1	2	2	2	1	1	
Abasiri, Jide	7	--	2	--	--	--	2	--	1	--	2	--	
Madden, Garrison	4	--	1	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	
Greene, Sam	13	--	1	--	--	1	2	--	3	4	--	2	
Hughes, Elijah	6	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	2	2	
Williams, Marcelles	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Brown, Prophet	9	--	1	--	1	--	1	--	4	2	--	--	
Gallegos, Marquis	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Conley, Braylon	1	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Pepe, Kobe	15	--	--	1	4	3	1	1	3	1	1	1	
Pepper, Hank	3	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	--	
Shaw, Bryson	15	--	--	--	--	1	1	1	5	5	2	--	
Newby, Elijah	1	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	
Marks, Woody	2	--	--	1	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	
Marchetti, Roman	1	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	
Noa, Alani	2	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	1	--	--	
Branch, Zachariah	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	
Lane, Ja'Kobi	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	
Monheim, Jonah	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	
Maiava, Jayden	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	
Jackson, Bryan	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	





Participation Game-By-Game

No.	Player	GP-GS	LSU	Utah State	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Penn State	Maryland	Rutgers	UW	Nebraska	UCLA	ND
0	JOYNER, Quinten	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
0	ARNOLD, Akili	10-10	START	START	START	...	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	
1	BRANCH, Zachariah	11-8	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	
2	SMITH, Jaylin	9-9	START	...	START	START	START	START	START	...	START	START	START	
2	ROBINSON, Duce	11-5	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	START	START	
4	MARKS, Woody	11-11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	
4	MASCARENAS-ARNOLD, Easton	11-11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	
6	LEMON, Makai	10-4	XXX	START	START	...	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	
6	LUCAS, Anthony	6-6	START	START	START	START	START	START	...	...	...	...	...
7	MOSS, Miller	9-9	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	
7	RAMSEY, Kamari	9-9	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	...	...	START	START	
8	BRANCH, Zion	11-1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	
8	Lane, Ja'Kobi	11-7	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	
9	FAIR, Jay	7-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...
9	DAVIS, Raesjon	3-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
10	HUDSON, Kyron	11-8	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	
10	MUHAMMAD, Jamil	11-9	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	
13	COBB, Mason	10-10	START	...	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	
14	MAIAVA, Jayden	5-2	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	...	START	START	
14	COVINGTON, Jacobe	7-7	START	START	START	START	START	...	...	...	...	START	START	
15	RICHARDSON, Jaden	2-0	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	BEAVERS JR., Anthony	11-4	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	START	
16	BROWN, Prophet	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
16	CZAPLICKI, Eddie	911-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
17	JENSEN, Jake	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	NICHOLSON, DeCarlos	11-3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	
18	OLSEN, Joey	1-0	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	GENTRY, Eric	4-2	XXX	START	START	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
19	JORDAN, Xavier	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
19	HUMPHREY, John	10-2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	
21	JACKSON, Bryan	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
21	VANCE Jr., Greedy	10-5	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	START	...	XXX	START	XXX	
22	PETERSON, A'Marion	8-0	...	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	
22	CONLEY, Braylon	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
23	MATTHEWS, Walter	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
23	STEPHENS II, Desman	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
24	TABARACCI, Carson	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	PIERCE, Christian	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
25	WILLIAMS, Marcelles	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
26	NEWBY, Elijah	4-0	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...
27	GEBBIA, Dylan	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
27	SHAW, Bryson	10-3	...	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	XXX	XXX	
28	ROY, Gage	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
28	BOATWRIGHT Jr., Jarvis	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
29	STUPIN, Jack	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
29	CRAWFORD, Maliki	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
30	MILLER, King	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
30	GALLEGOS, Marquis	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
31	WALKER, Jadyne	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
31	PEPPER, Hank	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	
34	SHELBY, Braylan	11-3	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	...	XXX	
35	PEEVY, DJ	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	DUNN, Hunter	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
36	SANCHEZ, Rey	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
37	COWAN, Lorenzo	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
38	RUBIN, Isaiah	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	McKELVEY, Cian	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
39	POMERANTZ, Garrett	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
40	SEHRA, Shawn	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
40	SHIRANGI, Cameron	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...





Participation Game-By-Game (Cont.)

No.	Player	GP-GS	LSU	Utah State	Michigan	Wisconsin	Minnesota	Penn State	Maryland	Rutgers	UW	Nebraska	UCLA	ND
41	MADDEN, Garrison	10-0	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
44	ZAMORA, Josiah	6-0	...	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
44	GREENE, Sam	11-2	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	...
45	SHEPHERD, Brandon	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	NERHUS, Corey	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
46	LYNCH, Denis	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
47	McDONOUGH, Devin	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
48	SAYERI, Ryon	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
49	FOUNTAIN, Kameryn	6-2	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	...
50	GALVÁN, Matt	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
51	QUINTANAR, Ryan	6-0	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
56	HUGHES, Elijah	6-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
57	MARCHETTI, Roman	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
58	TA'AGA, Kalolo	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
58	TULIAUPUPU, Solomon	10-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	XXX	...	...
59	BANUELOS, Micah	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
59	AMOS, Kash	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
60	MILLER, Kaylon	2-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
61	SUSNJAR, Jack	2-0	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
61	CHO, Brendan	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
62	LEONARD, Travis	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
65	TAOMI, Erwin	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
66	QUINONES, Gino	5-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
67	O'CONNOR, Kilian	7-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
68	TRETER, Hayden	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
70	PREGNON, Emmanuel	11-11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
72	PAIGE, Elijah	11-11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
73	RAYMOND, Tobias	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
74	TAUANUU, Justin	2-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...
75	TALALELE, Amos	6-1	...	XXX	XXX	START	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...
76	MURPHY, Mason	11-11	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
77	NOA, Alani	11-10	START	START	START	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
78	SAINA, Makai	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
79	MONHEIM, Jonah	11-11	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	START
81	FORD, Kyle	11-1	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	XXX	XXX
82	ZAMORA, Seth	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
83	WOOD, Donovan	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
84	ROSS, Charles	3-0	...	XXX	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...
85	LYONS, Walker	9-3	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	...	XXX	XXX	START	START	...
86	WOODS, CJ	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
87	McREE, Lake	8-7	START	START	START	...	...	...	START	XXX	START	START	START	START
88	ELDRIDGE, Kade	11-1	START	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
89	FASSE, Collin	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
90	DAS, Asante	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
90	ALEXANDER, Bear	3-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
91	JUNG, Brady	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
91	MEYER, Gavin	11-9	START	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	START	XXX	START	START
92	JONES, Carlon	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
93	BULABALAVU, Ratumana	1-0	...	XXX	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
94	PEPE, Kobe	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
95	ROBLES, Tyler	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
96	LANTZ, Michael	11-0	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
97	ABASIRI, Jide	8-0	...	XXX	...	...	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX
98	THOMPSON, Devan	11-5	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	XXX	START	START	START	START	START	START	XXX
98	WHITE, Garth	0-0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
99	CLIFTON, Nate	11-8	START	START	START	START	START	XXX	XXX	START	XXX	START	START	START



GAME 1 – September 1, Allegiant Stadium

USC 27, LSU 20

Att: 63,411

LSU	0	10	7	3	--	20
USC	0	10	3	14	--	27

It was an offseason filled with noise, but the Trojans proved the critics wrong as 9.2 million viewers (peaking at 11.1 million) watched USC win the first fight against LSU in front of a record-breaking, sold-out at Allegiant Stadium in Las Vegas with a 27-20 victory.

This matchup set a new Allegiant Stadium attendance record at 63,969, surpassing Super Bowl LVIII. USC improved to 1-0 on the season and is now 2-1 over LSU all-time. This victory marked USC's 8th straight season opening win, and head coach **Lincoln Riley** remains undefeated in USC season openers. It was USC's first win when it trailed entering the fourth quarter against an AP-ranked team since the 2017 Rose Bowl 52-49 victory over Penn State. It was also the Trojans' first season-opening win against an AP-ranked team since defeating the then-No. 6 Auburn Tigers in 2003. This game was ABC's most-streamed college football game on record.

In USC's first meeting with LSU in 40 years, USC **QB Miller Moss** went 27-for-36 (.750) with 378 yards, a career-best, while throwing 1 TD to earn Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week honors. He is the first Trojan starting quarterback to debut with back-to-back wins over ranked teams since records available in 1971. He has started two games in his career: Holiday Bowl MVP in his debut and Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week in his second. Per PFF, Moss was the third highest-graded QB in the nation with a grade of 93.4 [just behind Ole Miss' Jaxon Dart [95.7] and Purdue's Hudson Card [94.9]].

Moss, with a plethora of aerial options, spread the ball around to 10 different receivers, with 6 of them recording at least 45 yards or more.

Moss duelled with LSU's QB Garrett Nussmeier, who completed 29 of 38 passes for 304 yards with 2 TDs and 1 INT. It was a battle of QBs who waited their turns after sitting behind the two most recent Heisman Trophy winners, LSU's Jayden Daniels and USC's Caleb Williams.

On LSU's opening 7-minute long drive, USC had a massive goal line stop which resulted in a turnover on downs and completely shifted the momentum of the game.

In the second quarter, USC **WR Kyron Hudson** made a "catch of the year" worthy one-handed, acrobatic catch in the second quarter mimicking Odell Beckham Jr.'s most famous catch. This play set up the first TD of the game as **RB Woody Marks** scored a 2-yard TD later in the drive to give USC a 7-0 lead. Later that evening, this catch was No. 1 on Sunday's SportsCenter Top 10.

The Tigers responded with a TD of their own as LSU WR Kyren Lacy answered with his own acrobatic catch for a 19-yard TD to tie the game midway through the second quarter.

Both teams' kickers scored FGs, but USC **K Michael Lantz** missed a crucial 29-yard FG to close out the first half of play.

USC debuted its new bolstered defense led by new defensive coordinator **D'Anton Lynn**. The defense showed grit, tackled well and made key defensive stops. The Trojan defensive line held its own against an experienced LSU offensive line, and USC limited LSU to just 3 rushing yards in the fourth quarter.

The game went back and forth with the Trojans taking a 20-17 lead with 5:44 left in regulation when Moss found **WR Ja'Kobi Lane** for a 28-yard touchdown. A 31-yard field goal from Ramos tied it at 20-20, but left 1:47 on the clock.

That proved to be too much time as Moss led the Trojan offense on an eight-play, 75-yard drive, culminating in a 13-yard rushing TD from Marks with 8 seconds left to win the jackpot and secure the critical victory.

It's officially a new era of USC Football, but it's just the beginning of the 2024 campaign. As the Trojans look ahead to non-conference opponents and the Big Ten gauntlet, there is much to be excited about. To quote Riley, "That was some pretty good Big Ten football today."

SCORING

Second Quarter

USC -- Marks 2-yard rush (Lantz kick)

LSU -- Lacy 19-yard pass from Nussmeier (Ramos kick)

USC -- Lantz 22-yard FG

LSU -- Ramos 45-yard FG

Third Quarter

USC -- Lantz 35-yard FG

LSU -- Anderson 13-yard pass from Nussmeier (Ramos kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Lane 28-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

LSU -- Ramos 31-yard FG

USC -- Marks 13-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC	STATISTICS	LSU
24	First Downs	21
69	Net Yards Rushing	117
378	Net Yards Passing	304
37	Passes Attempted	38
27	Passes Completed	29
0	Had Intercepted	1
60	Total Plays	64
447	Total Yards	421
3/55.3	Punts/Avg	4/38.2
2/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
6/50	Penalties/Yards	10/99
27:00	Time of Possession	33:00

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 16-68, Emery Jr. (LSU) 10-61, Williams (LSU) 9-33

PASSING – Moss (USC) 27-36-378; Nussmeier (LSU) 29-38-304

RECEIVING – Lacy (LSU) 7-94, Hudson (USC) 5-83, Taylor (LSU) 7--62, Anderson (LSU) 5-64, McRee (USC) 5-56, Branch (USC) 4-56

GAME 2 – September 7, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum

USC 48, Utah State 0

Att: 68,110

Utah State	0	0	0	0	--	0
USC	10	17	7	14	--	48

The USC Trojans displayed toughness, physicality and dominance as they defeated Utah State 48-0 in the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum. It was USC's first shutout since it defeated UCLA in the infamous 50-0 game in 2011.

While other perennial programs fell or struggled in Week 2, the Trojans never faltered.

The defense was the story of the evening as USC held Utah State to 190 total yards, the fewest yards allowed since the Trojans held Oregon State to 181 total yards in 2014. The 103 net yards passing by Utah State tonight was the fewest passing yards surrendered in a game by the Trojans since holding California to 93 net passing yards on Nov. 10, 2018. USC's defense gave up just 2 third-down conversions.

In his first start in the Coliseum, **QB Miller Moss** continued to be efficient. He went 21-for-30 for 229 yards and a TD.

A strong performance by the offensive line allowed both **RBs Woody Marks** and **Quinten Joyner** to dominate on the ground. Marks tallied 13 carries for 103 rushing yards (7.9 avg.) with 1 TD. It was his third career 100-yard rushing game. Joyner recorded a career-high 10 carries for a career-high 84 yards (8.4 avg.) and 2 TDs. **RB Bryan Jackson** had his first 7 carries as a Trojan, and **RB A'Marion Peterson** scored his first career TD. The Trojans rushed for 249 yards, which was the most rushing yards totaled since USC rushed for 322 yards against Oregon State in 2018.

TE Lake McRee led the Trojans with 81 yards on 4 receptions (20.3 avg.). He had a career-long reception of 34 yards in the second quarter, while **WR Makai Lemon** tied a career-best with 3 receptions for a career-high 23 yards and scored a TD.

LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold and **LB Eric Gentry** both led the team with 7 tackles each. Mascarenas-Arnold also tallied an INT on his stat sheet.

By the fourth quarter (and after the delay of a power outage due to the LA heat), the Trojans were playing a variety of young players, providing them with invaluable game reps. And still, they managed to uphold the shutout, allowing just 89 yards in the second half.

Just two games in, there's still a lot of football left to be played. But the Trojans are optimistic. "We're still not even close to as good as we can be," Mascarenas-Arnold said.

SCORING

First Quarter

USC -- Lantz 23-yard FG

USC -- Joyner 9-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Second Quarter

USC -- Marks 2-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC -- Lantz 24-yard FG

USC -- Lemon 6-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

Third Quarter

USC -- Joyner 2-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Maiava 7-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC -- Peterson 9-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC	STATISTICS	USU
28	First Downs	10
249	Net Yards Rushing	87
295	Net Yards Passing	103
41	Passes Attempted	27
29	Passes Completed	18
0	Had Intercepted	1
78	Total Plays	50
544	Total Yards	190
1/35	Punts/Avg	6/37.3
2/1	Fumbles-Lost	2/0
4/27	Penalties/Yards	9/64
32:53	Time of Possession	27:07

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 13-103; Joyner (USC) 10-84; Faison (USU) 9-54

PASSING – Moss (USC) 21-30-229; Barnes (USU) 18-27-103

RECEIVING – Royals (USU) 6-47; McRee (USC) 4-81; Branch (USC) 4-19; Marks (USC) 3-39; Lane (USU) 3-27; Lemon (USC) 3-23; Lyons (USC) 3-13



**GAME 3 – September 21, Michigan Stadium
Michigan 27, USC 24
Att: 110,702**

MICH	7	7	6	7	--	27
USC	0	3	14	7	--	24

In its first-ever Big Ten matchup, USC fell to Michigan 24-27 in the Big House in Ann Arbor, Mich.

The attendance of 110,702 was the largest crowd USC has played in front of since it faced off against Notre Dame at Soldier Field in Chicago in front of a sold out crowd of 120,000 in 1927.

QB Miller Moss went 28-of-51 (.549) with season-high 3 TDs and 1 INT. The last time a USC QB recorded at least 51 attempts in a game was when former Heisman Trophy winner Caleb Williams recorded 52 passing attempts against Tulane in the 2023 Cotton Bowl.

RB Woody Marks tallied 13 carries for 100 rushing yards (7.7 avg.). It was his fourth career 100-yard rushing game and his second consecutive 100-yard rushing game. He also recorded 5 receptions for 40 yards. In a key moment, he ripped the football out of Michigan DT Kenneth Grant's hand after the big defensive tackle had recovered a fumble for Michigan.

WR Zachariah Branch led the Trojans with a career-high 6 receptions for a career-high 98 yards.

WRs Duce Robinson, Ja'Kobi Lane and **Jay Fair** each caught TD passes from Moss. **K Michael Lantz** also scored a 29-yard FG.

LB Eric Gentry led the team with 12 tackles, including 3 for loss of 8 yards (with 1 sack for minus 6 yards). He also recorded 1 forced fumble and 1 fumble recovery.

The Wolverines finished with just 32 passing yards and 290 rushing yards.

Moss played valiantly although under pressure, and USC rallied in the second half to take the lead late in the fourth quarter following a tough first half.

The defense had stopped Michigan for the entire second half, and the Wolverines had to go 79 yards with about 2 1/2 minutes on the clock to win the game. Kael Mullings rushed 2 yards for a TD on fourth-and-goal with 37 seconds left to claim the victory. Michigan had 19 yards of offense over its five second-half drives before Mullings' game-changing 63-yard run.

USC is now 6-5 in its series with Michigan.

It was a tough game in a hostile road stadium, but the Trojans won't face a defense like that in an environment like that the rest of the year.

SCORING

First Quarter

MICH -- Mullings 53-yard rush (Zvada kick)

Second Quarter

MICH -- Edwards 41-yard rush (Zvada kick)

USC -- Lantz 29-yard FG

Third Quarter

USC -- Robinson 9-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

MICH -- Johnson 42-yard interception return (Zvada kick blocked)

USC -- Fair 16-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Lane 24-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

MICH -- Mullings 1-yard rush (Zvada kick)

USC	STATISTICS	MICH
17	First Downs	12
96	Net Yards Rushing	290
283	Net Yards Passing	32
52	Passes Attempted	12
28	Passes Completed	7
1	Had Intercepted	0
73	Total Plays	58
379	Total Yards	322
7/53.1	Punts/Avg	8/49.1
1/1	Fumbles-Lost	2/2
6/32	Penalties/Yards	3/25
30:42	Time of Possession	29:18

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Mullings (MICH) 17-159; Marks (USC) 13-100; Edwards (MICH) 14-74

PASSING – Moss (USC) 28-51-283; Orji (MICH) 7-12-32

RECEIVING – Branch (USC) 6-98; Marks (USC) 5-40; Lane (USC) 4-50; Fair (USC) 3-42; Hudson (USC) 3-31; Morgan (MICH) 3-6

**GAME 4 – September 28, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
USC 38, Wisconsin 21
Att: 74,118**

WISC	7	14	0	0	--	21
USC	7	3	14	14	--	24

The USC Trojans embodied the battle cry of "Fight On!" after battling back from a challenging first half. The Trojans trailed 10-21 at halftime, but fought back to put up 28 unanswered points in the second half to claim the victory 38-21.

QB Miller Moss went 30-of-45 (.667) with 3 TDs and 1 INT. It was his second 300-yard passing game this season and the third of his career. He spread the ball out throwing passes to 9 different receivers. He also tallied 5 carries for 17 yards and 1 TD.

WR Ja'Kobi Lane recorded a career-best 10 catches for a career-best 105 yards and 2 TDs. This was his second career 2 TD game. His first TD against the Badgers was a career-long 32-yard reception off a perfectly thrown ball from Moss, threaded between two defenders in the corner of the end zone on USC's first offensive drive of the game. This TD put USC's first points on the board at 7-0 in favor of the Trojans.

SNP Hank Pepper made a crucial play by recovering a Wisconsin muffed punt at the Badgers' 30-yard line. This play by Pepper gave the Trojans a short field which ultimately resulted in Lane's second TD. Lane caught a 6-yard pass on an important third-and-goal in the third quarter to close the point gap by the Trojans and make the score 17-21. This score was the catalyst that began USC outscoring Wisconsin 28-0 in the second half. The ball was placed by Moss exactly where Lane could grab it with all 6-foot-4-inches of his height as he reached over the Wisconsin defender to complete the catch.

Then, **WR Duce Robinson's** third quarter 8-yard TD reception pushed USC ahead 24-21.

In the fourth quarter, Moss called his own number, rushing 7-yards with a successful spin move and dive into the end zone to score a TD.

LB Mason Cobb returned a 55-yard interception for a TD in the fourth quarter to put an exclamation point on USC's 38-21 victory. The pass thrown by Wisconsin QB Braedyn Locke bounced off his intended receiver then off USC **CB Jacob Covington's** helmet and into the sticky hands of Cobb who turned on his second gear and sprinted down the sideline to score his first-ever pick-6.

"After the way that last week finished," USC coach **Lincoln Riley** said, "to have the first half go the way it did, then to come back and play well, says a lot about the character of the guys in this room. They're going to battle. We're not going anywhere. We don't panic."

SCORING

First Quarter

USC -- Lane 32-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

WISC -- Anthony 63-yard pass from Locke (Vakos kick)

Second Quarter

WISC -- Walker 18-yard rush (Vakos kick)

USC -- Lantz 41-yard FG

WISC -- Walker 4-yard rush (Vakos kick)

Third Quarter

USC -- Lane 6-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

USC -- Robinson 8-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Moss 7-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC -- Cobb 55-yard INT return (Lantz kick)

USC	STATISTICS	WISC
29	First Downs	13
161	Net Yards Rushing	106
308	Net Yards Passing	180
45	Passes Attempted	26
30	Passes Completed	13
1	Had Intercepted	1
82	Total Plays	51
469	Total Yards	286
3/38.7	Punts/Avg	6/49.8
3/2	Fumbles-Lost	1/1
7/53	Penalties/Yards	7/50
40:07	Time of Possession	19:53

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 19-63; Walker (WISC) 15-55; Joyner (USC) 6-49; Mellusi (WISC) 10-32

PASSING – Moss (USC) 30-45-308; Locke (WISC) 13-26-180

RECEIVING – Lane USC 10-105; Green (WISC) 4-65; Branch (USC) 4-44; Hudson (USC) 4-42; Marks (USC) 4-29; Anthony (WISC) 3-70

GAME 5 - October 5, Huntington Bank Stadium
Minnesota 24, USC 17
Att: 50,913

MINN	3	7	0	14	--	24
USC	0	10	7	0	--	17

In its second conference road game of the season, USC fell to Minnesota 17-24 in a heartbreaking loss in Minneapolis.

It was the warmest October game ever recorded at Huntington Bank Stadium with a kick time temperature of 71 degrees.

QB Miller Moss went 23-of 38 (.605) for 200 yards with 1 TD and 2 INTs.

RB Woody Marks recorded his fifth career 100-yard rushing game collecting 20 carries for 134 yards and 1 TD. He also had 4 receptions for 30 yards.

WR Kyron Hudson led the Trojans with 5 receptions for 54 yards.

WR Duce Robinson scored the only aerial TD of the night with a 3-yard pass from Moss in the second quarter. He had 4 receptions for 39 yards and 1 TD.

After an unsuccessful first offensive series, Minnesota put the first points on the board with a 32-yard field goal by K Dragan Kesich.

In their first offensive series of the second quarter, the Trojans found their momentum and converted 4 third downs to ultimately find the end zone as Moss threw a 3-yard pass over the middle to Robinson to push USC ahead 7-3.

Minnesota responded on its next drive when QB Max Brosmer scored on a QB-keeper pushing the Gophers ahead.

After an unfortunate Trojan fumble by **RB Quinten Joyner**, Minnesota took possession, but the Trojan defense responded aggressively. On a clutch play, **S Kamari Ramsey** forced a fumble which was recovered by **DT Nate Clifton**. This play resulted in the offense driving down the field and **K Michael Lantz** scoring a career-long 54-yard FG to close out the first half, tying the score at 10-10.

Opening the third quarter, USC took 7 minutes off the clock driving down the field to culminate with a score as Moss split out on the wildcat for Marks who zipped, zapped and burst into the end zone to push USC ahead 17-10.

The fourth quarter brought havoc as the USC offensive line missed an important block which resulted in Moss being pressured off the edge by Gopher DL Jah Joynerin, forcing him to throw a pick. Minnesota took full advantage of the turnover and scored on its next drive to tie up the score at 17-17.

The Trojans got the ball back but were forced to punt (a booming season-long 62-yarder by **P Eddie Czaplicki**), but an unnecessary roughness call on the punt coverage brought the ball back from the Minnesota 10 to the 25. The Gophers drove down the field and scored on a controversial fourth-and-goal (the ruling on the field had Brosmer short, but the replay review resulted in a reversal) to jump ahead 24-17 at the end of the game.

In an attempt to score once more, the Trojans fought, but Moss was intercepted with 14 seconds left to lock down the victory for the Gophers.

SCORING
First Quarter

MINN -- Kesich 32-yard FG

Second Quarter

USC -- Robinson 3-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

MINN -- Brosmer 1-yard rush (Kesich kick)

USC -- Lantz 54-yard FG

Third Quarter

USC -- Marks 1-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Fourth Quarter

MINN -- Brosmer 5-yard rush (Kesich kick)

MINN -- Brosmer 1-yard rush (Kesich kick)

USC	STATISTICS	MINN
22	First Downs	23
173	Net Yards Rushing	193
200	Net Yards Passing	169
38	Passes Attempted	19
23	Passes Completed	15
2	Had Intercepted	0
66	Total Plays	59
373	Total Yards	362
2/56.0	Punts/Avg	3/35.7
1/1	Fumbles-Lost	1/1
8/59	Penalties/Yards	4/50
30:48	Time of Possession	29:12

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING - Taylor (MINN) 25-144; Marks (USC) 20-134

PASSING - Moss (USC) 23-38-200; Brosmer (MINN) 15-19-169

RECEIVING - Taylor (MINN) 5-56; Hudson (USC) 5-54; Robinson (USC) 4-39; Jackson (MINN) 4-36; Marks (USC) 4-30; Lemon (USC) 3-37; Branch (USC) 3-10

GAME 6 - October 5, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
Penn State 33, USC 30
Att: 75,250

PSU	3	3	14	10	3(OT)	--	33
USC	7	13	3	0	0(OT)	--	30

USC fell 30-33 in a devastating overtime loss against No. 4 Penn State in the Coliseum.

All 3 of USC's losses have been within 1 score (3 points versus Michigan and Penn State and 7 points versus Minnesota), and all have been within the last minute of regulation play or in overtime.

QB Miller Moss went 20-of 34 (.588) for 220 yards with 2 TDs and 1 INT.

RB Woody Marks recorded his sixth career 100-yard rushing game collecting 20 carries for 111 yards(5.6 avg.). He also had 2 receptions for 44 yards.

WR Makai Lemon led the Trojans with 6 receptions for 73 yards (12.2 avg.).

After Penn State scored an early field goal, USC executed a fake reverse that fooled half of Penn State's defense, enabling **RB Quinten Joyner** to go on a career-long 75 yards to score. It was the longest play from scrimmage by a Trojan this season. It was also the longest rush by a Trojan since Ronald Jones II had an 86-yard TD run at Washington State on Sept. 29, 2017, as well as the longest from scrimmage by the Trojans since Tahj Washington had a 76-yard TD catch versus San Jose State on Aug. 26, 2023.

Joyner scored again for the Trojans on a 9-yard pass from Moss which made him the first Trojan to have a rushing and receiving TD in the same game since Austin Jones had a rushing and receiving TD versus California on Oct. 28, 2023.

LB Desman Stephens II picked off Penn State QB Drew Allar while juking and jiving to stay on his feet for 42 yards all the way back to the Penn State 26 yard line. This set up USC **K Michael Lantz** to score a 35-yard field goal.

After exchanging punts, Penn State began a successful drive down field, but was ultimately stopped by USC **S Zion Branch** on a clutch third-down situation to bring up fourth-and-11 to force the Nittany Lions to kick a field goal.

The Trojans responded with a 47-yard field goal of their own to push ahead 20-6 going into halftime.

Penn State scored twice in the third quarter to tie up the score at 20-20, but **LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold** picked off Allar and set up Lantz to close out the quarter with a 39-yard kick to reclaim the lead.

Another field goal was scored by the Nittany Lions, and then USC **WR Kyron Hudson** caught a go-ahead touchdown pass from Moss with 5:56 left. Penn State's Allar then converted two fourth-downs and Nittany Lion RB Nick Singleton tied up the game at 30-30 with a TD catch.

USC executed a beautiful drive down to claim the win, but Moss was picked off with 14 seconds left by Penn State S Jaylen Reed.

The Trojans responded with nabbing another INT of their own as **WR Duce Robinson** picked off Allar while playing defense to force overtime.

In overtime, Lantz pushed a 45-yard field goal wide left before PSU K Ryan Barker, hit the game-winner from 36 yards.

SCORING
First Quarter

PSU -- Barker 34-yard FG

USC -- Joyner 75-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Second Quarter

USC -- Joyner 9-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

USC -- Lantz 45-yard FG

PSU -- Barker 33-yard FG

USC -- Lantz 47-yard FG

Third Quarter

PSU -- Warren 32-yard pass from Allar (Barker kick)

PSU -- Allen 1-yard rush (Barker kick)

USC -- Lantz 39-yard FG

Fourth Quarter

PSU -- Barker 20-yard FG

USC -- Hudson 5-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

PSU -- Singleton 14-yard pass from Allar (Barker kick)

Overtime

PSU -- Barker 36-yard FG

USC	STATISTICS	PSU
16	First Downs	28
189	Net Yards Rushing	118
220	Net Yards Passing	400
34	Passes Attempted	44
20	Passes Completed	31
1	Had Intercepted	3
58	Total Plays	75
409	Total Yards	518
4/48.8	Punts/Avg	2/42.5
0/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
5/60	Penalties/Yards	3/25
27:36	Time of Possession	32:24

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING - Marks (USC) 20-111; Joyner (USC) 3-82; Allen (PSU) 16-56

PASSING - Allar (PSU) 30-43-391; Moss (USC) 20-34-220

RECEIVING - Warren (PSU) 17-224; Lemon (USC) 6-73; Wallace III (PSU) 3-53; Marks (USC) 2-44

**GAME 7 – October 19, SECU Stadium
Maryland 29, USC 28
Att: 43,013**

MD	0	7	7	15	--	29
USC	7	14	0	7	--	28

USC fell 28-29 to Maryland on the road at SECU Stadium in another heartbreaking loss.

All 4 of USC's losses have been within 1 score (1 point versus Maryland, 3 points versus Michigan and Penn State and 7 points versus Minnesota), and all have been within the last minute of regulation play or in overtime.

QB Miller Moss went 34-of-50 (.680) for 336 yards with 3 TDs and 1 INT. It was the 4th career 300 yard passing game for Moss and the third game this season with 3 TDs. This also marked the second time this season Moss has recorded at least 50 passing attempts (also tallied 51 passing attempts versus Michigan).

RB Woody Marks led the Trojans with 17 carries for 82 yards (4.8 avg.) and 1 TD.

WR Makai Lemon led the Trojan receivers with 8 catches for 89 yards (11.1 avg.).

WR Kyrn Hudson put USC on the board first with a 22-yard TD pass from Moss. Maryland evened out the score as Terp QB Billy Edwards Jr. tossed a 16-yard TD pass to Octavian Smith Jr.

Using his 5XL gloved hands, **WR Ja'Kobi Lane** made a spectacular left hand one-handed catch to score a TD off a 15-yard pass from Moss, and Marks increased USC's lead to 21-7 with a 5-yard rushing TD to close out the first half of play.

Moss threw an unfortunate INT in the fourth quarter when he was picked off by Maryland DB Lavain Scruggs who returned the pick for 51 yards, and on the next play, Maryland scored.

USC went three-and-out on its next offensive drive, and Maryland drove 62 yards down the field to the USC 4 yard line where USC **CB Jaylin Smith** (who led the team with 11 tackles on the night) made a huge play at the goal line, intercepting a fourth-down pass.

WR Duce Robinson made an early statement in the fourth quarter scoring on a 26-yard pass from Moss, and USC led 28-14.

Maryland then drove 80 yards on a TD drive and successfully executed a two-point conversion. After Maryland blocked a potentially game-clinching FG attempt from **K Michael Lantz**, the Terps had great field position on the USC 47 and scored a TD to claim the win 29-28.

SCORING

First Quarter

USC -- Hudson 22-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

Second Quarter

MD -- Smith Jr. 16-yard pass from Edwards (Howes kick)

USC -- Lane 15-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

USC -- Marks 5-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Third Quarter

MD -- Felton 18-yard pass from Edwards (Howes kick)

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Robinson 26-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

MD -- Hemby 10-yard rush (Prather 2-pt conversion from Edwards)

MD -- Edwards 3-yard rush (Howes kick)

USC	STATISTICS	MD
25	First Downs	25
81	Net Yards Rushing	56
336	Net Yards Passing	373
50	Passes Attempted	51
34	Passes Completed	39
1	Had Intercepted	1
74	Total Plays	75
417	Total Yards	429
5/47.8	Punts/Avg	3/53.0
0/0	Fumbles-Lost	2/1
7/75	Penalties/Yards	7/60
29:51	Time of Possession	30:09

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 17-82; Ray (MD) 6-54
 PASSING – Edwards (MD) 39-51-373; Moss (USC) 34-50-336
 RECEIVING – Prather (MD) 9-111; Lemon (USC) 8-89; Felton (MD) 9-84; Smith Jr. (MD) 8-84; Hemby (MD) 6-52; Lane (USC) 4-51; Branch (USC) 4-43

**GAME 8 – October 25, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
USC 42, Rutgers 20
Att: 63,404**

RU	3	9	8	0	--	20
USC	14	14	14	0	--	42

USC produced a dominate 42-20 victory over first-time opponent Rutgers in a rare Friday Night Lights showdown to snap its three-game losing streak.

QB Miller Moss went 20-of-28 (.714) for 308 yards with 2 TDs. It was his fourth 300-yard passing game this season and the fifth of his career. He spread the ball out throwing passes to 8 different receivers. He also scored a 7-yard rushing TD on his 1 carry of the night.

RB Woody Marks had a single-game career-best 3 TD runs tonight and finished leading the Trojans with 15 carries for 94 yards (6.3 avg.). The last Trojan with 3 rushing TDs in a game was Heisman Trophy winning QB Caleb Williams at Arizona on Oct.7, 2023. The last time that USC had a running back with 3 rushing TDs in a game was RB Vavae Malepeai versus UCLA on Nov. 20, 2021. All of Marks' TDs were in the first half. The last player to score 3 rushing TDs in one half of play was Ronald Jones II on Nov. 4, 2017 against Arizona. He scored all 3 of his TDs in the second half of play.

Marks also had 5 catches for 48 yards (9.6 avg.) to extend his streak of consecutive games with at least one catch to 53, which is the longest active streak in the nation.

WR Makai Lemon had 4 catches for a career-high 134 yards (including 101 yards after catch) and tallied 3 kickoff returns for 122 yards. Per PFF, Lemon had the highest offensive grade between both USC and Rutgers with a grade of 89.9. Lemon had a career-high 256 all-purpose yards against Rutgers and it is the most by a Trojan in a game this season. The last Trojan with more all-purpose yards in a game was Adoree' Jackson with 291 versus Notre Dame on Nov. 26, 2016.

LB Easton Mascarenas-Arnold led USC with 11 tackles, including 1 for loss of 2 yards (with 1 sack for minus 2 yards). Mascarenas-Arnold has registered double figures in tackles in 3 of the last 4 games and leads USC with 67 tackles this season. The Trojans also recorded a season-high 5 sacks on the night.

The Trojan offense came out hot as USC scored a touchdown on each of its first four possessions. The last time USC scored a touchdown on its first four possessions of a game was Sept. 10, 2022 versus Stanford.

After scoring the first TD of the game on USC's opening offensive drive, Marks was set up to quickly score again because of a big special teams play from WR Makai Lemon. Lemon's kickoff return of 80 yards in the first quarter was the longest by a Trojan this season and the longest of his career. This set up Marks for his second rushing TD of the night.

WR Kyle Ford scored an 11-yard TD and Marks scored his third rushing TD to give him the hat trick. USC led 28-12 going into halftime.

Rutgers scored a TD and executed a successful 2-point conversion early in the third quarter to close the point gap 28-19.

Immediately after, Lemon recorded a 70-yard reception from Moss which was a career-best and also the longest by a Trojan this season. This gave the Trojans a short field and Moss was able to find the end zone for a rushing TD.

Lemon is the first USC player with a return of 80 or more yards and a reception of 70 or more yards in the same game since Marqise Lee versus Oregon on Nov. 9, 2012. In that game, Lee had 408 total yards.

USC closed out the third quarter with a 40-yard TD pass from Moss to Lemon.

Both teams remained scoreless in the fourth quarter and USC claimed the victory. USC's 42 points matched the most points Rutgers has allowed in a game this season.

Adding to the excitement of the evening, the Dodgers won Game 1 of the World Series against the Yankees across town on a walkoff grand slam by Freddie Freeman. It was the first time in history that USC football, the Lakers and the Dodgers all won on the same day.

SCORING

First Quarter

USC -- Marks 1-yard rush (Lantz kick)

RU -- Patel 26-yard FG

USC -- Marks 1-yard rush (Lantz kick)

Second Quarter

USC -- Ford 11-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

RU -- Raymond 3-yard rush (Patel kick missed)

USC -- Marks 22-yard rush (Lantz kick)

RU -- Patel 20-yard FG

Third Quarter

RU -- Dremel 25-yard pass from Kaliakmanis (Kaliakmanis pass from Long)

USC -- Moss 7-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC -- Lemon 40-yard pass fro Moss (Lantz kick)

USC	STATISTICS	RU
23	First Downs	27
135	Net Yards Rushing	121
308	Net Yards Passing	313
28	Passes Attempted	47
20	Passes Completed	27
0	Had Intercepted	0
51	Total Plays	89
443	Total Yards	434
3/45.3	Punts/Avg	3/37.7
1/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
5/43	Penalties/Yards	4/9
23:32	Time of Possession	36:28

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 15-94; Monangai (RU) 18-86
 PASSING – Moss (USC) 20-28-308; Kaliakmanis (RU) 27-47-313
 RECEIVING – Lemon (4-134); Miller (RU) 11-131; Duff (RU) 3-51; Marks (USC) 5-48; Ford (USC) 4-45



**GAME 9 – November 2, Husky Stadium
Washington 26, USC 2
Att: 43,013**

UW	10	10	0	6	--	26
USC	0	7	14	0	--	21

USC fell 21-26 to Washington on the road at Husky Stadium in Seattle in an emotional loss.

All 4 of USC's losses have been within 1 score (1 point versus Maryland, 3 points versus Michigan and Penn State, 5 points versus Washington and 7 points versus Minnesota), and all have been within the last minute of regulation play or in overtime.

Since 1978 (and entering 2024), just 17 FBS teams have had at least 5 losses in a season and all of them came in a one-score game.

QB Miller Moss went 30-of-50 (.600) for 293 yards and 2 TD with 3 INTs.

RB Woody Marks led the Trojans with 22 carries for 123 yards and 1 TD.

WR Zachariah Branch led the Trojans in receiving yards with 102 on 6 receptions.

In USC's second offensive series, Moss was picked off after a ball intended for **WR Kyle Ford** was tipped into the hands of Washington LB Carson Bruener, which ended up resulting in a Husky field goal. Washington RB Jonah Coleman rushed for a 19-yard TD to close out the first quarter.

Branch caught a 25-yard pass from Moss that was originally ruled a fumble. Video review showed Branch was down, giving USC a much-needed first down in Washington territory. The drive concluded with a 1-yard TD from Marks.

Washington responded with another TD and a field goal to extend its lead to 20-7 going into halftime.

After making halftime adjustments, the Trojans regrouped and came out of the locker room aggressively. **WR Makai Lemon** scored a 37-yard TD, and then USC took a 21-20 lead after Ford scored on a 9-yard TD reception.

On USC's next possession, Moss threw a pick, which resulted in a Washington TD, but a failed two-point conversion.

The Trojans then marched down to Washington's 1-yard line in the fourth quarter with a chance to pull in front but the Huskies stopped running back Woody Marks on fourth down and took over with 5:04 left in the game.

Washington was forced to punt on its drive, and Moss led the Trojans to the Husky 14. On third-and-4, Moss' attempt to **WR Kyron Hudson** was broken up by CB Ephesians Prysock. Moss' final chance on fourth down fell incomplete.

**SCORING
First Quarter**

UW -- Gross 39-yard field goal

UW -- Coleman 19-yard rush (Gross kick)

Second Quarter

USC -- Marks 1-yard rush (Lantz kick)

UW -- Coleman 15-yard rush (Gross kick)

UW -- Gross 45-yard field goal

Third Quarter

USC -- Lemon 37-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

USC -- Ford 9-yard pass from Moss (Lantz kick)

Fourth Quarter

UW -- Reynolds 4-yard rush (Boston pass from Rogers failed)

USC	STATISTICS	UW
26	First Downs	25
166	Net Yards Rushing	56
293	Net Yards Passing	373
50	Passes Attempted	51
30	Passes Completed	39
3	Had Intercepted	1
79	Total Plays	75
459	Total Yards	429
2/37.5	Punts/Avg	3/53.0
1/0	Fumbles-Lost	2/1
7/35	Penalties/Yards	7/60
33:05	Time of Possession	30:09

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 22-126; Coleman (UW) 23-104

PASSING – Moss (USC) 30-50-293; Rogers (UW) 25-39-262

RECEIVING – Branch (USC) 6-102; Boston (UW) 9-99; Lemon (USC) 8-70; Lane (USC) 3-47; Jackson (UW) 6-44; Latu (UW) 3-41

**GAME 10 – November 16, Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
USC 28, Nebraska 20
Att: 75,304**

NEB	7	7	6	0	--	20
USC	7	7	7	7	--	28

USC defeated Nebraska 28-20 an electric atmosphere on Homecoming in the Coliseum.

QB Jayden Maiava passed for 259 yards and three touchdowns and ran for another score in his first start as a Trojan. His 3 TD passes tied a career-best (he did this twice in 2023 against New Mexico and Kansas) and the 4 total TDs are a single-game career-best. This is Maiava's third-career game with a passing TD and a rushing TD (Vanderbilt and Wyoming in 2023). He was also named to the Polynesian Player of the Year Award Watch List for his performance.

RB Woody Marks continued to prove why he is one of the best and most versatile backs in the nation. He tallied 19 carries for a career-high 146 yards against Nebraska's No. 12 ranked rushing defense to mark his sixth 100-yard rushing game of the season and the eighth of his career. His six 100-yard rushing games are the most for any USC running back in the Lincoln Riley Era. Marks also eclipsed 1,000 yards for the first time in his career recording 1,065 yards in 2024. He currently ranks No. 29 in USC's all-time single-season rushing leaders. He had 6 catches for 36 yards to extend his streak of consecutive games with at least one catch to 55, which is the longest active streak in the nation.

WR Duce Robinson scored on a 48-yard TD catch in the third quarter. It was his longest catch of the season and the second-longest TD catch of his career (a 71-yarder vs. Nevada in 2023). He tied a career-high with 4 catches (his fourth time) for a career-high 90 yards, plus a TD catch. USC is 3-0 when Robinson has at least 70 yards.

P Eddie Czaplicki, a Ray Guy Award semifinalist, earned one of the game balls from Lincoln Riley (in addition to Robinson, CB Jaylin Smith and CB Greedy Vance). He averaged 51.8 yards per punt on his 4 punts with 3 of the 4 going over 50 yards (51, 54 and 60) and all 4 pinned Nebraska inside of the 20, including a 60-yard punt to the Nebraska 1-yard line.

USC has never lost to Nebraska in these historic programs' infrequent meetings, going 5-0-1.

Early in the game, Husker and former Trojan Ceyair Wright returned an early interception 45 yards for a TD.

Maiava then hit **WR Zachariah Branch** for a 6-yard TD, Branch's first of the season and Maiava's first passing TD of the season.

In the second quarter, **WR Kyron Hudson** caught a bobbled 12-yard pass for another Trojan TD, but Nebraska evened out the score at 14-14 before going into halftime.

Early in the third, Nebraska scored a field goal to push ahead, but then Maiava hit Robinson in stride for an untouched 48-yard TD. Maiava later lost a fumble at the USC 16 while scrambling, leading to Nebraska's second field goal of the quarter to make the score 21-20.

Wright blocked a field goal attempt in the fourth quarter, but Nebraska couldn't score on its next offensive series. Marks took a fourth-down pitch from Maiava for 43 yards before Maiava finished the drive with his TD run.

Nebraska got the ball back with 2:45 left on the clock and drove to the USC 14 with 5 seconds to play. After a false start, **CB Greedy Vance Jr.** easily intercepted Raiola's final pass into double coverage in the end zone to secure the victory for the Trojans.

**SCORING
First Quarter**

NEB -- Wright 45-yard INT return (Hohl kick)

USC -- Za. Branch 6-yard pass from Maiava (Lantz kick)

Second Quarter

USC -- Hudson 12-yard pass from Maiava (Lantz kick)

NEB -- Johnson 29-yard pass Raiola (Hohl kick)

Third Quarter

NEB -- Hohl 29-yard FG

USC -- Robinson 48-yard pass from Maiava (Lantz kick)

NEB -- Hohl 30-yard FG

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Maiava 2-yard rush (Lantz kick)

USC	STATISTICS	NEB
22	First Downs	19
182	Net Yards Rushing	119
259	Net Yards Passing	191
35	Passes Attempted	38
25	Passes Completed	27
1	Had Intercepted	2
67	Total Plays	63
441	Total Yards	310
4/51.8	Punts/Avg	5/46.0
2/1	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
5/70	Penalties/Yards	5/40
31:50	Time of Possession	28:10

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 19-146; Johnson (NEB) 10-55; Dowdell (NEB) 8-52

PASSING – Maiava (USC) 25-35-259; Raiola (NEB) 27-38-191

RECEIVING – Robinson (USC) 4-90; Banks (NEB) 5-55; Za. Branch (USC) 6-41; Marks (USC) 6-36; Johnson (NEB) 7-36; Hudson (USC) 3-35

**GAME 11 – November 23, Rose Bowl
USC 19, UCLA 13
Att: 59,473**

UCLA	3	0	10	0	--	26
USC	3	6	0	10	--	21

It was USC's version of the Michael Jordan "flu game" as the Trojans, overcoming a program-wide flu outbreak, defeated crosstown UCLA 19-13 in the Rose Bowl to bring the Victory Bell home to Troy.

QB Jayden Maiava went 19-for-35 (.543) for 221 yards with 1 TD. **RB Woody Marks** rushed for 76 yards and **K Michael Lantz** kicked 4 FGs.

It was the fifth straight year the road team has won in the series.

After UCLA scored a FG on its opening possession, the Trojans ended up in the red zone 3 times in the first half, scoring a field goal each time.

After an on-field scuffle at the end of the first half, UCLA was charged with 3 unsportsmanlike conduct penalties giving USC an opportunity for a short field to open the second half, but the Trojans turned the ball over on downs. UCLA then scored as QB Ethan Garbers hit WR Titus MokiAo-Atimalala on a 10-yard TD pass.

USC then completely took control of the game in the fourth quarter.

P Eddie Czaplicki, the nation's best punter, put the Trojan defense in great field position with a perfect 44-yard punt downed at the UCLA 1-yard line. His other 2 punts in the game were also inside the 10, backing UCLA up to its own 7 and 9 yard lines.

After and 3-and-out by the Bruins, the Trojan offense found a spark. Maiava tossed **WR Makai Lemon** a lateral, and Lemon threw a perfect 39-yard rope to **WR Kyron Hudson** who ran out of bounds at the UCLA 4. USC scored on the next play as Maiava dodged one Bruin defender and outran another to launch a perfect throw to **WR Ja'Kobi Lane** in the back corner of the end zone for USC's only TD of the night to push USC ahead 16-13.

With 5 minutes left in the game, UCLA needed to convert a fourth-and-1 to extend its drive, and the USC front came up with a crucial stop to force a turnover on downs at the UCLA 34. USC scored a field goal on the following drive to extend its lead to 19-13.

UCLA had another opportunity with 2 minutes left and USC didn't allow the Bruins to earn a single yard which forced a turnover on downs at fourth-and-10 to seal the victory.

**SCORING
First Quarter**

UCLA -- Bhaghani 51-yard field goal

USC -- Lantz 19-yard field goal

Second Quarter

USC -- Lantz 23-yard field goal

USC -- Lantz 22-yard field goal

Third Quarter

UCLA -- Matavao 10-yard pass from Garbers (Bhaghani kick)

UCLA -- Bhaghani 29-yard field goal

Fourth Quarter

USC -- Lane 4-yard pass from Maiava (Lantz kick)

USC -- Lantz 30-yard field goal

USC	STATISTICS	UCLA
17	First Downs	16
86	Net Yards Rushing	111
260	Net Yards Passing	265
20	Passes Attempted	20
36	Passes Completed	29
0	Had Intercepted	0
65	Total Plays	55
346	Total Yards	376
3/47.0	Punts/Avg	3/35.3
0/0	Fumbles-Lost	0/0
2/25	Penalties/Yards	8/65
29:03	Time of Possession	30:57

TOP INDIVIDUALS

RUSHING – Marks (USC) 18-76; Harden (UCLA) 14-99; Joyner (USC) 4-24

PASSING – Maiava (USC) 19-35-221; Garbers (UCLA) 20-29-265

RECEIVING – Sturdivant (UCLA) 5-117; Hudson (USC) 6-79; Lemon (USC) 2-69; MokiAo-Atimalala 6-49; Gilmer (UCLA) 3-38; Harden (UCLA) 3-37; McRee (USC) 2-36





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Team Results

	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
	09/01/2024	vs LSU	W	27-20	63969
	09/07/2024	Utah St.	W	48-0	68110
*	09/21/2024	at Michigan	L	24-27	110702
*	09/28/2024	Wisconsin	W	38-21	74118
*	10/05/2024	at Minnesota	L	17-24	50913
*	10/12/2024	Penn St.	Lot1	30-33	75250
*	10/19/2024	at Maryland	L	28-29	43013
*	10/25/2024	Rutgers	W	42-20	63404
*	11/02/2024	at Washington	L	21-26	71251
*	11/16/2024	Nebraska	W	28-20	75304
*	11/23/2024	at UCLA	W	19-13	59473

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Woody Marks	11	192	1143	43	1100	5.7	9	65	100.0
Quinten Joyner	11	53	397	2	395	7.5	3	75	35.9
Bryan Jackson	10	14	54	3	51	3.6	0	12	5.1
Jayden Maiava	5	12	66	28	38	3.2	2	13	7.6
A'Marion Peterson	8	4	22	0	22	5.5	1	9	2.8
Zachariah Branch	11	2	17	0	17	8.5	0	15	1.5
Miller Moss	9	21	41	59	-18	-0.9	2	9	-2.0
Team	11	9	0	18	-18	-2.0	0	0	-1.6
Total	11	307	1740	153	1587	5.2	17	75	144.3
Opponents	11	337	1599	168	1431	4.2	15	63	130.1

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Miller Moss	9	135.1	233-362-9	64.4	2555	18	70	283.9
Jayden Maiava	5	134.6	52-81-1	64.2	546	4	64	109.2
Kyron Hudson	11	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Makai Lemon	10	427.6	1-1-0	100.0	39	0	39	3.9
Team	11	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	11	135.1	286-446-10	64.1	3140	22	70	285.5
Opponents	11	130.4	251-371-9	67.7	2592	10	63	235.6

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Woody Marks	11	47	321	6.8	0	33	29.2
Zachariah Branch	11	43	458	10.7	1	42	41.6
Makai Lemon	10	37	532	14.4	3	70	53.2
Kyron Hudson	11	36	436	12.1	3	39	39.6
Ja'Kobi Lane	11	33	372	11.3	6	32	33.8
Lake McRee	8	23	243	10.6	0	34	30.4
Duce Robinson	11	20	333	16.7	5	48	30.3
Kyle Ford	11	17	217	12.8	2	41	19.7
Quinten Joyner	11	11	76	6.9	1	12	6.9
Jay Fair	7	8	78	9.8	1	24	11.1
Walker Lyons	9	5	25	5.0	0	9	2.8
Kade Eldridge	11	3	19	6.3	0	11	1.7
Charles Ross	3	1	11	11.0	0	11	3.7
Jaden Richardson	1	1	19	19.0	0	19	19.0
Bryan Jackson	10	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
Total	11	286	3140	11.0	22	70	285.5
Opponents	11	251	2592	10.3	10	63	235.6

Game Records

Record	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
ALL GAMES	6-5	4-1	1-4	1-0
CONFERENCE	4-5	3-1	1-4	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	2-0	1-0	0-0	1-0

Team Statistics

	USC	OPP
First Downs	249	215
Rushing	80	76
Passing	154	123
Penalty	15	16
Rushing Yardage	1587	1431
Rushing attempts	307	337
Average per rush	5.2	4.2
Average per game	144.3	130.1
TDs Rushing	17	15
Passing Yardage	3140	2592
Comp-Att-Int	286-446-10	251-371-9
Average per pass	7.0	7.0
Average per catch	11.0	10.3
Average per game	285.5	235.6
TDs Passing	22	10
Total offense	4727	4023
Average per play	6.3	5.7
Average per game	429.7	365.7
Kick returns: #-Yards	19-457	12-328
Punt returns: #-Yards	11-63	12-83
Int returns: #-Yards	9-137	10-226
Fumbles-Lost	15-6	9-5
Penalties-Yards	62-529	67-531
Punts-Avg	37-48.5	47-42.9
Time of possession / game	30:35	29:25
3rd-down conversion	63/140	46/143
4rd-down conversion	8/14	16/31
PAT-attempts	(40-40) 100%	(22-24) 92%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-0) 0%	(2-3) 67%

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Mason Cobb	2	55	27.5	1	55
Jaylin Smith	2	0	0.0	0	0
Easton Mascarenas-Arnold	2	5	2.5	0	5
Greedy Vance Jr.	1	0	0.0	0	0
Duce Robinson	1	35	35.0	0	35
Desman Stephens II	1	42	42.0	0	42
Total	9	137	15.2	1	55
Opponents	10	226	22.6	2	51



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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Michael Lantz	14-20	70.0	1-1	6-8	3-3	3-6	1-2	54	2
Opponents	15-17	88.2	0-0	5-5	7-7	2-2	1-3	51	0

Scoring

Player	td	fg	PAT						dxp	saf	pts
			kick	rush	rcv	pass					
Michael Lantz	-	14-20	40-40	-	-	-	-	-	-	82	
Woody Marks	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	
Ja'Kobi Lane	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36	
Duce Robinson	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30	
Quinten Joyner	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	
Kyron Hudson	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	
Makai Lemon	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	
Kyle Ford	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Miller Moss	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Jayden Maiava	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	
Mason Cobb	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Jay Fair	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Zachariah Branch	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
A'Marion Peterson	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	
Total	40	14-20	40-40	0	0	0	0	0	0	322	
Opponents	27	15-17	22-24	0	2	2	0	0	0	233	

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Southern California	55	104	83	80	0	322
Opponents	43	74	58	55	3	233

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Eddie Czaplicki	36	1755	48.8	62	0	12	22	19	0
Miller Moss	1	39	39.0	39	0	0	1	0	0
Total	37	1794	48.5	62	0	12	23	19	0
Opponents	47	2017	42.9	74	1	23	23	13	0

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Zachariah Branch	11	63	5.7	0	20
Total	11	63	5.7	0	20
Opponents	12	83	6.9	0	19

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Makai Lemon	12	351	29.3	0	80
Zachariah Branch	5	105	21.0	0	46
A'Marion Peterson	1	14	14.0	0	14
Total	19	457	24.1	0	80
Opponents	12	328	27.3	0	74

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Woody Marks	11	1100	321	0	0	0	1421	129.2
Makai Lemon	10	0	532	0	351	0	883	88.3
Zachariah Branch	11	17	458	63	105	0	643	58.5
Quinten Joyner	11	395	76	0	0	0	471	42.8
Kyron Hudson	11	0	436	0	0	0	436	39.6
Ja'Kobi Lane	11	0	372	0	0	0	372	33.8
Duce Robinson	11	0	333	0	0	35	368	33.5
Lake McRee	8	0	243	0	0	0	243	30.4
Kyle Ford	11	0	217	0	0	0	217	19.7
Jay Fair	7	0	78	0	0	0	78	11.1
Mason Cobb	10	0	0	0	0	55	55	5.5
Bryan Jackson	10	51	0	0	0	0	51	5.1
Desman Stephens II	10	0	0	0	0	42	42	4.2
Jayden Maiava	5	38	0	0	0	0	38	7.6
A'Marion Peterson	8	22	0	0	14	0	36	4.5
Walker Lyons	9	0	25	0	0	0	25	2.8
Jaden Richardson	1	0	19	0	0	0	19	19.0
Kade Eldridge	11	0	19	0	0	0	19	1.7
Charles Ross	3	0	11	0	0	0	11	3.7
Easton Mascarenas-Arnold	11	0	0	0	0	5	5	0.5
Miller Moss	9	-18	0	0	0	0	-18	-2.0
Total	11	1587	3140	63	457	137	5384	489.5
Opponents	11	1431	2592	83	328	226	4660	423.6

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Miller Moss	9	383	-18	2555	2537	281.9
Woody Marks	11	192	1100	0	1100	100.0
Jayden Maiava	5	93	38	546	584	116.8
Quinten Joyner	11	53	395	0	395	35.9
Bryan Jackson	10	14	51	0	51	5.1
Makai Lemon	10	1	0	39	39	3.9
A'Marion Peterson	8	4	22	0	22	2.8
Zachariah Branch	11	2	17	0	17	1.5
Total	11	753	1587	3140	4727	429.7
Opponents	11	708	1431	2592	4023	365.7





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Team Defense

##	Player	gp	Tackles				tfl/yds	Sacks no-yds	Pass defense			Fumbles		blkd	
			ua	a	tot	int-yds			brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf	
4	Easton Mascarenas-Arnold	11	49	39	88	5-20	3-14	2-5	1	2	.	.	.	.
13	Mason Cobb	10	29	39	68	2.5-7	.	2-55	3	.	.	.	.	.
2	Jaylin Smith	9	33	17	50	3-4	.	2-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
0	Akili Arnold	10	28	18	46	0.5-2	0.5-2	.	1	1	.	.	.	.
7	Kamari Ramsey	9	35	10	45	5.5-26	2-19	.	5	1	.	2	.	.	
18	Eric Gentry	4	22	8	30	6.5-17	2-11	.	1	.	1-0	1	.	.	
91	Gavin Meyer	11	15	12	27	2-10	1-8	.	3	3	.	.	1	.	
21	Greedy Vance Jr.	10	18	6	24	1-2	.	1-0	2	.	.	.	.	.
14	Jacobe Covington	7	18	6	24	1-3	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
17	DeCarlos Nicholson	11	15	7	22	.	.	.	5	.	.	.	.	.
34	Braylan Shelby	10	15	5	20	4-16	2-8	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
10	Jamil Muhammad	11	3	16	19	0.5-0	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
8	Zion Branch	10	15	4	19	2-10	1-9	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
98	Devan Thompkins	9	10	8	18	2.5-10	1.5-9	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
99	Nate Clifton	11	11	6	17	2-9	1-6	.	2	.	1-0	.	.	.	
19	John Humphrey	10	12	5	17	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.	.
6	Anthony Lucas	7	5	11	16	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
94	Kobe Pepe	10	7	8	15	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
27	Bryson Shaw	10	9	6	15	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
58	Solomon Tuliapupu	9	8	5	13	1-1	1-1	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.	
15	Anthony Beavers Jr.	10	6	7	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
44	Sam Greene	10	10	3	13	3-8	1-5	.	.	2	.	.	.	.
49	Kameryn Fountain	6	6	5	11	2.5-8	1-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
23	Desman Stephens II	10	6	4	10	1-1	.	1-42	.	1	.	1	.	.	
16	Prophet Brown	9	7	2	9	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
97	Jide Abasiri	9	3	5	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
56	Elijah Hughes	6	4	2	6	1-5	1-5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Christian Pierce	11	5	1	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
9	Raesjon Davis	3	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90	Bear Alexander	3	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
41	Garrison Madden	10	4	.	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
31	Hank Pepper	11	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	.	.	.
4	Woody Marks	11	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	1-0	1	.	.
77	Alani Noa	11	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
79	Jonah Monheim	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Roman Marchetti	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14	Jayden Maiava	5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Zachariah Branch	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
8	Ja'Kobi Lane	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
22	Braylon Conley	1	.	1	1	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30	Marquis Gallegos	1	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
21	Bryan Jackson	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
26	Elijah Newby	4	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Marcelles Williams	1	1	.	1	1-1	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
2	Duce Robinson	11	.	.	.	.	.	1-35	.	.	.	.	.	.
96	Michael Lantz	11	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	11	427	274	701	48-163	18-98	9-137	43	16	5-0	5	1	0	
	Opponents	11	433	226	659	51-177	13-87	10-226	65	32	6-18	10	2	0	

