

OFFICIAL SCORING SUMMARY

**VISITORS**  
**PITTSBURGH**  
**HOME**  
**NOTRE DAME**  
**DATE:** OCTOBER 12, 1991 **Notre Dame Stadium** **Attendance:** 59,075 (C)

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PITTSBURG	0	0	0	7	7
NOTRE DAME	0	14	14	14	42

SCORE  
PITT ND

TIME LEFT

2nd Quarter

ND: Jerome BETTIS 1 run  
 (Craig HENTRICH PAT) 0 7 12:55  
 ND: Feggie BROOKS recovers blocked  
 punt in endzone  
 (HENTRICH PAT) 0 14 11:52

3rd Quarter

ND: Irv SMITH 2 pass from  
 Rick MIRER (HENTRICH PAT) 0 21 9:39  
 ND: MIRER 8 run  
 (HENTRICH PAT) 0 28 0:54

4th Quarter

PITT: Eric SEAMAN 51 pass from  
 Alex VAN PELT  
 (Scott KAPLAN PAT) 7 28 12:44  
 ND: BETTIS 40 run  
 (HENTRICH PAT) 7 35 7:55  
 ND: Kevin MCDUGAL 5 run  
 (Drew MARSH PAT) 7 42 2:04

TIME OF GAME: START: 12:35 END: 3:45 TOTAL: 3:10

**OFFICIALS:** REFEREE-Terry Monk (Big East), UMPIRE-Ron Klages (Big East),  
 SIDE JUDGE-Rg DeFillier (Big East), LINE JUDGE-Pat Ratesic (Big East),  
 HEAD LINESMAN-Ron Marinucci (Big East), FIELD JUDGE--Howard Curry  
**TEMPERATURE:** 55 (Big East), BACK JUDGE-Jim Egizio  
 (Big East)  
 wind N 10-15 MPH  
 cloudy, overcast

Notre Dame vs. Pitt  
 October 12, 1991  
 Notre Dame Stadium

## PLAY-BY-PLAY

## First Quarter

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			Pitt wins the toss and elects to receive. Notre Dame will kick off and defend the North goal.	
			Hentrich's kickoff is fielded at the Pitt 16 is fielded by Montcreif. He returns it 18 yards down the left sideline where he is tackled by Burris.	
			PITT BALL 14:55	
1	10	P34	Martin slants right for three	
2	7	P37	On a play action fake, Van Pelt throws over the middle to J. Williams for six	McDonald DuBose
3	1	P83	After a play action fake, Van Pelt throws short under the coverage to Moore for two	Bercich
1	10	P45	Martin over right guard for two	Bercich
2	8	P47	Van Pelt is chased right by McDonald and throws the ball away out of bounds	
3	8	P47	Van Pelt steps up under heavy pressure and dumps over the middle to Martin after five-yard gain	McDonald
4	3	N48	Theodorou's 48-yard punt bounces away from Pitt's Lewis and touches the goal line for a touchback	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 11:28	
1	10	N20	Culver up the middle for six	Bray
2	4	N26	Bettis pounds his way up the middle for 14	Perkins
1	10	N40	Mirer's pass intended for T. Smith in the left flat is incomplete	
2	10	N40	T. Brooks, on a semi-delay, up the middle for six	Bray
3	4	N46	Pitt's Whaley steps in front of Mirer's pass intended for Griggs at midfield; Whaley slips and falls to the ground with the open field in front of him	
			PITT BALL 9:46	
1	10	M	Martin fights up the middle for two	Chvington
2	8	N48	After a play-action fake left that draws the pass rush away, Van Pelt rolls right and throws to Souyer for 18	Clark
1	10	N30	On a delay, Martin is slammed down for a three-yard loss	Bercich
2	13	N33	Van Pelt throws pitch left to Davis, who steps away from R. Smith at the line and gains four	Bercich
3	9	N29	Van Pelt throws in the right flat to Moore for 8	Covington
4	1	N21	On a play-action fake, Van Pelt overthrows Moore, who was one step behind Burris along the right side on the end zone	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 7:28	
1	10	N22	Culver up the middle for four	Kelly
2	6	N26	Bettis up the middle for six	C. Williams
1	10	N32	Culver runs right tackle for three	Tumulty
2	7	N35	Mirer reverses his field on the option and is sandwiched between two defenders for two-yard loss	Bray
3	9	N33	Under heavy pressure, Mirer fires a bullet over the middle to Brown for 17	Israel
1	10	M	Culver, out of the fullback position, fails to gain Kelly up the middle	
2	10	M	While in the grasp of McDonald, Mirer underthrows Griggs incomplete in the left flat	
2	10	M	Mirer steps up under heavy pressure and overthrows a well-covered I. Smith near the Pitt 25	
4	10	M	Hentrich's 39-yard punt is fielded by Israel at the P11; he returns nine yards where he is tackled by Covington	

## Notre Dame vs. Pitt

## First Quarter Play-By-Play -- add one

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			PITT BALL 4:06	
1	10	P20	Van Pelt flings left to Martin who steps away from Bercich and Covington and sprints for nine	Bryant
2	1	P29	Martin slants over left tackle for two	Ridgley
1	10	P31	PENALTY: PITT (Delay of game), five yards	
1	15	P36	I. Williams spins up the middle for six	Ridgley
2	9	P32	Van Pelt, with good protection, hits Moore crossing over the middle for seven	Clark
3	2	P39	Van Pelt is forced to unload early by a charging Ridgley and throws incomplete behind Moore	
4	2	P39	Theodorou's 41-yard punt is fielded by Burris at the ND20; he returns five yards to the ND25 where he is tackled by Montcrief	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 1:00	
1	10	N25	After a play-action fake, Mirer barely overthrows a sliding T. Smith, covered by Perkins at the P40	
2	10	N25	Bettis hurdles over left tackle for six	C. Williams
3	4	N31	Under heavy pressure, Mirer flips over the middle to Bettis who drops the ball three yards short of the first down	
4	4	N31	Hentrich's 37-yard punt bounces off Israel's chest at the P30; it bounces away from one Pitt player and is recovered by ND's I. Smith at the P31	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 0:03	
1	10	P31	Culver slants right and fails to gain	Whaley

FIRST QUARTER SCORE: NOTRE DAME 0, PITT 0

Notre Dame vs. Pitt  
Second Quarter Play-By-Play

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
2	10	P31	Mirer keeps left on option for two	Gilbert
3	9	P29	Mirer is flushed right by a furious pass rush; he gets to the sideline, sidesteps one tackler and gains five	
4	3	P24	Mirer keeps left on the option and lunges for seven	Tumulty
1	10	P17	T. Brooks blasts over left tackle for eight	McDonald
2	2	P9	Culver explodes up the middle for eight	Whaley
1	Goal	P1	TIMEOUT: NOTRE DAME (first), 12:50 Bettis tries left side for TOU touchdown (12:55) Hentrich, with Sexton holding, converts PAT SCORE: NOTRE DAME 7, PITT 0 SCORING DRIVE: 31 yards, 7 plays, 2 first downs, 2:00 elapsed	
Hentrich's kickoff is fielded by Lewis at the P9; he returns to the P24 for 15-yard return; tackled by McDonald				
PITT BALL 12:49				
1	10	P24	Van Pelt throws deep left for Bouyer; pass is broken up by Clark	
2	70	P24	J. Williams bulls up the middle for two	Bercich
3	8	P26	Van Pelt throws incomplete deep down the middle for Jells	
4	8	P26	Theodorou's punt is blocked by R. Brooks who explodes through the middle of the line and recovers the ball in the rear left corner of the end zone for the touchdown (11:52) PENALTY: Notre Dame (illegal procedure), five yards Hentrich, with Sexton holding, converts PAT SCORE: NOTRE DAME 14, PITT 0	
Hentrich's kickoff is fielded by Israel at the P16; he returns 17 yards to the P33. Tackled by Covington				
PITT BALL 11:46				
1	10	P33	Van Pelt barely avoids McDonald and flips to Seaman, who makes a one-handed catch and rambles for 14	Burris
1	10	P47	J. Williams dances left for two	Covington
2	8	P49	Van Pelt's pass intended for Green is batted down at the line of scrimmage by B. Young	
3	8	P49	Van Pelt sidearms the ball over the middle incomplete for Bouyer	
4	8	P49	Theodorou's 51-yard punt lands in the end zone for a touchback	
NOTRE DAME BALL 10:45				
1	10	N20	Culver slants right for four	McDonald
2	6	N24	Bettis is dropped by the ankles for no gain	Hamilton
3	6	N24	Mirer rolls left and hits T. Smith out of bounds, incomplete at ND37	
4	6	N24	Hentrich's 26-yard punt rolls dead at midfield	
PITT BALL 9:18				
1	10	M	After a play-action fake, Van Pelt throws down the middle for Davis; the ball is broken up by Burris and Clark at the ND10	
2	10	M	Van Pelt fumbles the snap and falls on it for one-yard loss	
3	11	P49	With good protection, Van Pelt sidearms under the coverage for 7	Burris
4	4	N44	Theodorou's 44-yard punt sails into the end zone for a touchback	
NOTRE DAME BALL 7:43				
1	10	N20	Culver loses one up the middle	Gilbert
2	11	N19	T. Brooks bursts up the middle for 10	Perkins
3	1	N29	Bettis slants left for two	C. Williams
1	10	N31	T. Brooks dances right for eight	C. Williams
2	2	N39	Bettis pounds up the middle for two	Tumulty
1	10	N41	Culver takes pitch left and slants for two	Gilbert
2	0	N43	Mirer unloads just before getting buried by McDonald and hits Culver for seven-yard gain	Israel
1	10	M	Mirer keeps right on the option for 11	Perkins
1	10	P39	T. Brooks takes Mirer's pitch left for five	Bray
2	5	P34	On a broken play, Mirer shoves the ball to Culver who is buried immediately for five-yard loss	Bray
3	10	P39	Under heavy pressure, Mirer one-hops the ball to Brown at P27	
4	10	P39	Sexton's 33-yard pooch punt is caught and downed by Clark at the Pitt 1	

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 Second Quarter Play-By-Play -- add one

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			PITT BALL 2:25	
1	10	P1	J. Williams escapes Bryant at the goal line and gains four	DuBose
2	6	P5	After a play action fake, Van Pelt throws right to Moore for four	R. Smith
3	2	P9	Van Pelt rolls away from McDonald and hits a sliding Moore for 6	Moore for 6
1	10	P15	J. Williams over left guard for three	Bryant
2	7	P18	J. Williams runs right for six	Bercich

FIRST HALF SCORE: NOTRE DAME 14, PITT 0

**QUICKIE STATISTICS**

	Halftime	
	PITT Visitors	NOTRE DAME Home Team
Score .....	0	14
First Downs.....	5	8
Rushes — Yardage (Net).....	12-20	27-112
Passing Yardage (Net).....	90	24
*Return Yardage (Net).....	9	31
Passes — Att.—Comp.—Int.....	20-12-0	10-2- 1
Total Offense — Yards.....	118	136
Punts (Number—Average).....	5-184-36.8	4-140-35.0
Fumbles — Lost.....	2-1	0-0
Penalties — Yards.....	1-5	1-5

\*Return of Punts, Intercepted Passes and Fumbles (not kickoffs)

**INDIVIDUAL LEADERS**

Visitors					Home Team				
RUSHING	Att.	Net Yards	TD	Long	RUSHING	Att.	Net Yards	TD	Long
J. Williams	5	19	—	6	T. Brooks	5	37	—	10
Martin	6	10	—	4	Bettis	7	31	1	14
Van Pelt	1	-1	—	-1	Mirer	5	23	—	11
					Culver	10	21	—	8

  

PASSING	Att.—Comp.—Int.	Yds.	TD	PASSING	Att.—Comp.—Int.	Yds	TD
Van Pelt	20-12-0	90	—	Mirer	10-2-1	24	—

  

PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yards	TD	Long	PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Moore	6	41	—	14	Brown	1	17	—	17
Martin	2	14	—	9	Culver	1	7	—	7
Bouyer	1	18	—	18					
Seaman	1	7	—	7					
J. Williams	1	6	—	6					

  

PUNTING	No.	Avg.	Long	PUNTING	No.	Avg.	Long
Theodorou	4	46.0	51	Hentrich	3	34.0	39
Team	1	0.0		Sexton	1	38.0	30

DRIVE CHART

NOTRE DAME vs. PITTSBURGH

First Half

DATE: October 12, 1991

Team	Quarter	Drive Started			Drive Ended			Drive Consumed		
		Yd. Line	Time	How Obtained	Yd. Line	Time	How Lost	Yards	Play	Time
UP	1	UP 34	15:00	Kickoff Received	ND 49	11:28	Punt	17	6	3:32
ND	1	ND 20	11:28	Punt Rec.	ND 46	9:46	Inter-ception	26	5	1:42
UP	1	Midfield	9:46	Inter-ception	ND 21	7:29	Downs	29	6	2:17
ND	1	ND 22	7:29	Downs	Midfield	4:06	Punt	28	8	3:23
UP	1	UP 20	4:06	Punt Rec.	UP 39	1:00	Punt	19	5	3:06
ND	1	ND 25	1:00	Punt Rec.	ND 31	:03	Punt	6	3	0:57
ND	1-2	UP 31	0:03	Fum. Rec.	TD	12:55	1-yd TD	31	7	2:08
UP	2	UP 14	12:55	Kickoff Received	UP 26	11:52	Punt	2	3	1:03
UP	2	UP 33	11:52	Kickoff Received	UP 49	10:45	Blkdr-TD	16	4	1:07
ND	2	ND 20	10:45	Punt Rec.	ND 24	9:18	Punt	4	3	1:27
UP	2	Midfield	9:18	Punt Rec.	ND 44	7:43	Punt	6	3	1:35
ND	2	ND 10	7:43	Punt Rec.	UP 39	2:25	Punt	41	11	5:18
UP	2	UP 1	2:25	Punt Rec.	UP 14	0:00	HALF	23	5	2:25

Time of Possession	First Quarter	Second Quarter	First Half
PITTSBURGH	8:55	6:10	15:05
NOTRE DAME	6:05	8:50	14:55
<b>Third-Down Conversions</b>			
PITTSBURGH	1/4	1/4	2/8
NOTRE DAME	1/4	2/5	3/9
<b>Fourth Down Conversions</b>			
PITTSBURGH	0/1	0/0	0/1
NOTRE DAME	0/0	1/1	1/1

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Third Quarter Play-By-Play

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			Notre Dame will receive. Pitt will kickoff and defend the South goal.	
			Silvestri's kickoff is fielded by R. Brooks at the ND 8; he returns up the middle, breaks a tackle at ND40 and returns 42 yards to Midfield where he is tackled by Radinick	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 14:52	
1	10	M	Culver up the middle for one	Hamilton
2	9	P49	Mirer pitches right while in the grasp of Hamilton to T. Brooks who loses three	McDonald
3	12	N48	Mirer scrambles in the backfield for eternity and finally spots a wide-open Brown over the middle for 14	Israel
1	10	P38	Bettis slants right for two	McDonald
2	3	p36	T. Brooks struggles left for four	McDonald
3	4	P32	T. Brooks breaks one tackle and lunges for three	Tumulty
4	1	P29	Bettis powers up the middle for four	Barnet
1	10	P25	Bettis slants over right tackle for 12	Perkins
1	10	P13	T. Brooks powers up the middle for five	Whaley
2	5	P8	Bettis picks his way up the middle for six	Whaley
1	Goal	P2	On a play action fake, Mirer is leveled by McDonald but gets the ball away to I. Smith in the right back corner of the end zone for TD (9:39). Hentrich, with Sexton holding converts PAT	
			SCORE: NOTRE DAME 21, PITT 0	
			SCORING DRIVE: 50 yards, 11 plays, 4 first downs, 5:21 elapsed	

Hentrich's kickoff is fielded by Israel in the end zone for a touchback

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			PITT BALL 9:39	
1	10	P28	J. Williams is buried at the line of scrimmage for one-yard loss	Bryant
2	17	P19	Van Pelt flips over the middle to Brown for 12	DuBose
1	10	P31	J. Williams up the middle for four	McDonald
2	6	P35	Van Pelt's pass batted into the air at the line of scrimmage by Bercich, falls incomplete	
3	6	P38	Van Pelt's pass just before being leveled by a blitzing Covington	
1	10	P40	Seaman in the grasp of Clark for six	
2	8	P42	Seaman in the right flat to Green for two	R. Slick
1	10	P44	Seaman right to a wide-open Seaman for nine	Covington
2	8	P46	Seaman quick flip to Moore for two	DuBose
3	8	P48	Seaman buried by Jones after a play-action fake and throw early and incomplete for Moore	
4	9	M42	J. Williams is smothered in the backfield by E. Jones for one-yard loss	
4	9	M42	Theodorou's 23-yard punt is downed by Hentrich at the ND14	
			NOTRE DAME BALL 5:25	
1	10	N38	T. Brooks is buried up the middle after one-yard gain	McDonald
2	9	N29	Mirer overthrows Brown deep down the middle; ball is deflected by Pitt's Perkins at the ND 40 and intercepted by Israel at the Pitt 40; he returns one yard to the Pitt 41 where he is tackled by Culver, but	



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## Third Quarter Play-By-Play -- add one

D	Y	VT	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
			PENALTY: Pitt (roughing the passer), 14 yards	
1	10	N39	Culver runs right for five	Whaley
2	15	N44	T. Brooks up the middle for five	Bray
1	10	N49	After play-action fake, Mirer barely overthrows a diving T. Smith at the Pitt 15	
2	10	N49	Mirer keeps on option right for 12	Whaley
1	10	P39	Culver explodes up the middle for 22	Whaley
1	10	P17	T. Brooks up the middle for five	Perkins
2	5	P12	T. Brooks tries right side for one	Whaley
3	4	P11	Bettis tries the middle for three	McDonald
4	1	P8	Mirer keeps right on the option, fakes inside at the corner and then outruns Perkins and Tumbally for the flag and TD (0:54) Hentrich, with Sexton holding, converts PAT	
			SCORE: NOTRE DAME 20, PITT 0	
			SCORING DRIVE: 76 yards, 10 plays, 5 first downs, 4:31 elapsed	

Hentrich's kickoff is fielded by Israel at the Pitt 1; he returns 29 yards to the Pitt 30 where he is tackled by Covington

## PITT BALL 0:48

1	10	P30	Van Pelt dumps in the left flat to J. Williams who ignores DuBose at the P37 and gains 15	Bercich
1	10	P45	J. Williams drags a tackler up the middle for seven	Holden
2	3	N48	J. Williams over right guard for four	DuBose

THIRD QUARTER SCORE: NOTRE DAME 28, PITT 0

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Fourth Quarter Play-By-Play

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
1	10	N44	Van Pelt barely avoids pressure from Holden and throws right to Seaman for five	Covington
2	5	N39	Van Pelt unloads in a hurry to avoid the blitzing Flanigan; his pass, intended for Jells, is intercepted by Clark at the ND15; he returns the ball 28 yards to the ND23 where he is tackled by Bouyer	
PENALTY; Notre Dame (illegal block), 15 yards				
NOTRE DAME BALL 14:43				
1	10	N28	T. Brooks recovers his own fumble up the middle for no gain	Barndt
2	10	N20	Mixer throws deep left for an open T. Smith, but his extra-loft pass is intercepted by Perkins at the P30	
PITT BALL 13:57				
1	10	P38	Van Pelt throws left for Davis who drops the ball at P45	Burris
2	10	P38	J. Williams up the middle for nine	Flanigan
3	1	P47	J. Williams up the middle for two	
1	10	P49	With good protection, Van Pelt overthrows Bouyer incomplete over the middle	
2	10	P49	Van Pelt throws to Seaman on a short crossing pattern; he breaks Clark's tackle at ND42 and rambles down the sideline and breaks Goheen's tackle at the ND5 and goes into the end zone for a 51-yard TD reception (12:44)	
Caplan, with Hupko holding, converts PAT				
SCORE: NOTRE DAME 28, PITT 7				
SCORING DRIVE: 62 yards, 5 plays, 2 first downs, 1:15 elapsed				
Silvestri's kickoff is fielded by R. Brooks in the end zone for a touchback				
NOTRE DAME BALL 12:44				
1	10	N20	T. Brooks is battered by Williams after three-yard gain	C. Williams
2	7	N23	Bettis powers up the middle for 11	
1	10	N34	PENALTY: Notre Dame (illegal procedure), four yards	
1	14	N30	Bettis slants right and drags a tackler for 10	Whaley
2	4	N40	Bettis sweeps left and is dragged down by the face mask for one-yard loss	
PENALTY: Pitt (face mask), five yards				
1	10	N45	T. Brooks sweeps right and cuts up for four	Walker
2	6	N49	Mixer keeps left on option, turns up for five	Barndt
3	1	P46	Bettis blasts up the middle for three	Gilbert
1	10	P43	Bettis up the middle for three	Gilbert
2	17	P40	Mixer pumps short and throws long for T. Smith, who is unable to catch up with the ball after being bumped by Harris	
3	7	P40	Bettis fights up the middle to the P30 where he breaks Israel's tackle and lumbers the remaining 30 yards for the TD (7:54)	
Henrich, with Sexton holding, converts PAT				
SCORE: NOTRE DAME 35, PITT 7				
SCORING DRIVE: 30 yards, 9 plays, 4 first downs, 4:49 elapsed				
Henrich's kickoff is fielded by Israel at the P14; he returns 11 yards to the P25 where he is tackled by O. Gibson				
PENALTY: Pitt (clipping), 11 yards				
1	10	P12	J. Williams is hammered for one-yard loss	DuBose
2	11	P11	Van Pelt sidearms to Seaman for seven	Flanigan
3	4	P18	J. Williams sweeps left for two	Taliaferro
4	2	P20	Theodorou's 45-yard punt is fielded by Burris; at the ND38; he returns six yards to the ND41 where he is tackled by Lewis	
NOTRE DAME BALL 6:23				
1	10	N41	Failla at QB	
Failla keeps left and is buried at the corner for two-yard loss				

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Fourth Quarter Play-By-Play -- add one

D	Y	YL	DESCRIPTION	TACKLE
2	12	N39	R. Brooks spins up the middle for one	C. Williams
3	11	N40	Failla scrambles right under heavy pressure and throws high for R. Brooks who is unable to make the catch at midfield	
4	11	N40	Hentrich's 50-yard punt into the wind is downed at the Pitt 10	
PITT BALL 4:39				
1	10	P10	Van Pelt, under pressure, throws incomplete for Seaman at the P15	
2	10	P10	Van Pelt throws in the left flat for Moore; Saddler reaches around with his left arm and bats the ball down	
3	10	P10	Van Pelt throws under the coverage for Deveaux for 8	Flanigan
4	2	P18	Theodorou's shanked 32-yard punt bounces out of bounds at midfield	
NOTRE DAME BALL 3:51				
1	10	M	McDougal at QB	
			After a play-action fake, McDougal flips over the middle to McBride for nine	Hupko
2	1	P41	TIMEOUT: Notre Dame (first), 3:17	
			R. Brooks explodes up the middle, spins off a tackler at the Pitt 30 and races down the left sideline for 13	Lewis
1	10	P23	Mihalko up the middle for four	Kristofic
2	6	P18	Zellers explodes up the middle for 14	Lewis
1	Goal	P5	TIMEOUT: Notre Dame (second), 2:10	
			McDougal keeps left for the option and runs into the end zone for TD (2:04)	
			Marsh, with Sexton holding, converts PAT	
			SCORE: NOTRE DAME 42, PITT 7	
			SCORING DRIVE: 50 yards, 5 plays, 2 first downs, 1:47 elapsed	
			Hentrich's kickoff is fumbled forward by Israel and is recovered by Israel at the Pitt 26	
PITT BALL 2:00				
1	10	P26	Ferguson at QB	
1	5	P31	PENALTY: Notre Dame (off sides), five yards	
1	10	P36	PENALTY: Notre Dame (off sides), five yards	
1	10	P36	K. Williams slants left for one	Hamilton
2	9	P37	Ferguson flips right to Moore for six	Clark
3	3	P43	K. Williams runs up the middle for three	Ratigan
1	10	P46	K. Williams up the middle for two	Hamilton

FINAL SCORE: NOTRE DAME 42, PITT 7

**FINAL TEAM STATISTICS**

	PITT	NOTRE DAME
First Downs.....	14	23
Rushing.....	4	19
Passing.....	9	2
Penalty.....	1	2
Rushing Attempts.....	24	60
Yards Rushing.....	66	340
Yards Lost Rushing.....	7	13
Net Yards Rushing.....	59	327
Net Yards Passing.....	213	49
Pass Attempted.....	38	17
Passes Completed.....	23	5
Had Intercepted.....	1	2
Total Offensive Plays.....	62	77
Total Net Yards.....	272	376
Average Gain Per Play.....	4.4	4.9
Fumbles Number - Lost.....	3-1	1-0
Penalties Number - Yards.....	4-35	5-34
Interceptions Number - Yards.....	2-0	1-25
Number of Punts - Yards.....	3-284	5-190
Average Per Punt.....	35.5	38.0
Punt Returns Number - Yards.....	1-9	3-37
Kickoff Returns Number - Yards.....	5-80	1-42
Third-Down Conversions.....	5-14	6-15
Possession Time.....	26:07	33:53

**FINAL INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

Visitors						Home Team							
RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long	RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Lost	Net	TD	Long
J. Williams	14	47	3	44	—	9	Bettis	17	125	0	125	2	40
Martin	6	13	3	10	—	4	T. Brooks	16	68	3	65	—	10
K. Williams	3	6	0	6	—	3	Culver	13	55	6	49	—	22
Van Pelt	1	0	1	-1	—	-1	Mirer	8	50	2	48	1	12
							R. Brooks	2	19	0	19	—	13
							Zellers	1	14	0	14	—	14
							McDougal	1	5	0	5	1	5
							Mihalko	1	4	0	4	—	4
							Falla	1	0	2	-2	—	-2

PASSING	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TD	Long	PASSING	Att.	Comp.	Int.	Yards	TD	Long
Van Pelt	37	22	1	207	1	51	Mirer	15	4	2	40	1	17
Ferguson	1	1	0	6	—	6	McDougal	1	1	0	9	—	9
							Falla	1	0	0	0	—	0

PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yards	TD	Long	PASS RECEIVING	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Moore	9	61	—	14	Brown	2	31	—	17
Martin	2	14	—	9	Culver	1	7	—	7
J. Williams	2	21	—	15	I. Smith	1	2	1	2
Seaman	6	55	1	51	McBride	1	9	—	9
Bouyer	1	13	—	13					
Green	1	2	—	2					
Davis	1	4	—	4					
Deveaux	1	8	—	3					

PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long	PUNTING	No.	Yards	Avg.	Long
Theodorou	7	234	40.5	51	Hentrich	4	152	38.0	50
Team	1	0	0.0	0	Sexton	1	38	38.0	38

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long
None				None			
<b>ALL RETURNS</b>	Punts	Kickoffs	Intercepted	<b>ALL RETURNS</b>	Punts	Kickoffs	Intercepted
Israel	1-9-9	3-55-29		R. Brooks	1-26-26	1-42-42	
Lewis		1-15-15		Clark			1-25-0
Moncrief		1-18-18		Burris	2-11-6		
Whaley			1-0-0				
Perkins			1-0-0				

**DRIVE CHART**

**NOTRE DAME vs. PITTSBURGH**

**Second Half**

Team	Quarter	Drive Started		How Obtained	Drive Ended		How Lost	Drive Consumed		
		Yd. Line	Time		Yd. Line	Time		Yards	Play	Time
ND	3	Mfld.	15:00	Kickoff Received	TD	9:39	2-yd TD I. Smith	50	11	5:21
UP	3	UP 20	9:39	Kickoff Received	ND 48	5:25	Punt	32	10	4:14
ND	3	ND 24	5:25	Punt Rec'd.	TD	0:54	8-yd TD Hiner	76	10	4:31
UP	3-4	UP 30	0:54	Kickoff Received	ND 39	14:43	Interception.	31	5	1:11
ND	4	ND 28	14:43	Int.	ND 28	13:57	Interception.	0	2	0:46
UP	4	UP 38	13:57	Int.	TD	12:44	51-yd TD Seaman	62	5	1:13
ND	4	ND 20	12:44	Kickoff Received	TD	7:55	40-yd TD Dettis	80	9	4:00
UP	4	UP 12	7:55	Kickoff Received	UP 20	5:23	Punt	8	3	1:32
ND	4	ND 41	6:23	Punt Rec'd.	ND 40	4:39	Punt	-1	3	1:44
UP	4	UP 10	4:39	Punt Rec'd.	UP 18	3:51	Punt	3	3	0:48
ND	4	Mfld.	3:51	Punt Rec'd.	TD	2:04	5-yd TD McDougal	50	5	1:47
UP	4	UP 26	2:04	Kickoff Received	UP 48	0:00	END	17	4	2:04

	1st Q.	2nd Q.	3rd Q.	4th Q.	Total
<b>Time of Possession</b>					
PITTSBURGH	8:55	6:10	5:08	5:54	26:07
NOTRE DAME	6:05	8:50	9:52	9:06	33:53
<b>Third-Down Conversions</b>					
PITTSBURGH	1/4	1/4	1/2	2/4	5/14
NOTRE DAME	1/4	2/5	1/3	2/3	6/15
<b>Fourth-Down Conversions</b>					
PITTSBURGH	0/1	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/1
NOTRE DAME	0/0	1/1	2/2	0/0	3/3

PLAYER	UT	NOTRE DAME DEFENSIVE STATISTICS						
		TACKLES		for Loss	QB Sacks	Fumb Rcvd	Pass Into	Pass BrUp
AT	Tot.							
Bryant	1	1	2	1-1				
Young								1
Jones				1-1				
McDonald	1	1	2					
DuBoise	4	4	8	1-1				
Bercich	3	3	6	1-3				1
Burris	4	0	4					
Covington	5	3	8					
Clark	4	0	4				1-25	
Ridgley	2	0	2					
Flanigan	2	1	3					
R. Smith	2	3	5					
Holden	1	1	2	1-2				
I. Smith	0	1	1			1		
Mihalko	0	1	1					
Gibson	1	1	2					
R. Brooks								1 - Blocked Punt
Saddler								1
Ratigan	2	0	2					
Hamilton	2	0	2					

PLAYER	UT	OPPONENT DEFENSIVE STATISTICS						
		TACKLES		for Loss	QB Sacks	Fumb Rcvd	Pass Into	Pass BrUp
AT	Tot.							
Hamilton	2	1	3					
Jarndt	1	5	6					
Esters	0	1	1					
Kelly	1	1	2					
Gilbert	6	1	7	1-1				
McDonald	5	3	3	2-5				
Williams	3	8	11					
Stumulty	2	5	7					
Clark	0	1	1					
Bray	5	2	7	2-7				
Walker	0	2	2					
Coleman	0	2	2					
Whaley	6	6	12					1
Perkins	1	8	9					1
Israel	2	1	3					
Lewis	3	0	3					
Moncrief	0	1	1					
Moore	0	1	1					

## SUBSTITUTIONS

Notre Dame vs. Pittsburgh

October 12, 1991

<u>Notre Dame</u>	OFFENSE	<u>Pittsburgh</u>
SE 83 t. Smith, 82 Pollard, 2	Leonard, 23 Moore, 18 Moriarty	SE 87 Green, 26 Jells, 49 Davis
QT 65 Knapp, 78 Halter, 95 Bryant		LT 62 Christy, 78 Brown
QG 75 Taylor, 61 Ruddy,		LG 77 Gorajewski, 69 Anderson
C 76 McGuire, 59 L. Johnson,		C 51 Sestili,
TC 74 Jurkovic,		RG 68 Mollica,
TT 73 Hall, 66 Norman,		RT 60 Miller, 64 Hurst
TE 86 Brown, 84 I. Smith, 80 McBride		TE 36 Seaman, 83 Moore,
QB 3 Mirer, 7 Failla, 15 McDougal		FL 18 Loyer, 47 Moncrief
FB 6 Bettis, 35 Mihalko		QB 10 VanPelt, 28 Ferguson
TD 5 Culver, 40 T. Brooks, 41 R. Brooks,	42 Becton, 34 Zellars, 38 Lozano	FL 40 Markel, 32 Deveaux,
EL 14 Griggs, 87 Dawson, 8 C. Johnson,	0 Scruggs, 4 Poorman	TD 29 Martin, 4 Williams, 20 Williams

DEFENSE	
LT 95 Bryant, 52 Holden, 90 Hamilton,	LE 92 Hamilton, 70 Liggett
NT 97 Young, 99 Ridgley, 57 Mannelly	RT 90 Barnit, 97 Esters,
AT 81 Jones, 92 Taliaferro,	RE 85 Kelly, 91 Gilbert, 71 Kristofic
55 Lytle	
OLB 45 McDonald, 56 Gibson,	OLB 48 McDonald, 56 Radinick
1 Bakich	
OLB 29 Covington, 30 N. Smith,	ILB 53 Williams, 44 Shemanski,
49 Peterson, 89 McGill	
SLB 31 DuJose, 46 Ratigan	ILB 84 Tumulty, 43 Clark
MLB 47 Mercich, 54 Goheen,	OLB 58 Bray, 94 Walker, 55 Abinet
44 Flanigan	
FCB 9 Burris, 33 Lane	LCS 23 Coleman, 2 Harris,
BCB 13 Carter, 39 Robinson,	SS 24 Whaley, 21 Savariau,
37 Davis	
SS 21 R. Smith, 2 Saddler	FS 3 Perkins
FS 32 Clark,	RCB 11 Israel, 42 Lewis,

PITTSBURGH	SPECIAL TEAMS	NOTRE DAME
P 31 Theodorou		PK 28 Hentrich -6 Marsh
PK 9 Kaplan		KO 28 Hentrich
PR 11 Israel		p 28 Hentrich
KR 11 Israel		s 59 Johnson
H 36 Hupko		H 16 Sexton
S 50 Royal		PR 9 Burris
		KR 9 Burris
41 Little		17 Moscardelli
36 Hupko		64 Rausch
53 Williams		58 NAU
34 Silvestri		71 Gibson
42 Lewis		
21 Savariau		
52 Snell		
54 Kautter		
67 McNeill		

Ntre Dame Coach Lou Holtz

"It was good to win the ball game, the score was very deceptive. I thought Pitt played well, especially on defense. We had trouble on offense. We had no rhythm and we couldn't get the passing game going. I thought our defense played exceptionally well. Our kicking game was very productive. We don't have a gamebreaker, but there's a lot of other things you can do. The blocked punt was critical. In the second ~~parted~~ half, offensively we got more rhythm."

On injuries:

"Justin Hall went down and it looks like his back again, and possibly an ankle injury. He may be out for a while. Its hard to lose Greg Davis one week and Justin Hall the next. We just don't have a lot of depth."

"I was disappointed we didn't have more pressure on Van Pelt. We brought four people, but always from a different angle. He is a very good ball-handler and that gave us problems. We didn't blitz a whole lot, and the one time we brought eight, we missed a tackle and gave up a touchdown."

On the blocked punt?

"It was a planned block. The first time we lined up to ignore the wide-receivers. The next time, we came with a block inside. I give a lot of credit to Jay Hayes and (special teams coach) Joe Wessel (Volunteer assistant). They worked with the kids from day one on blocking punts and Reggie (Brooks) did it perfectly."

"I was shocked that we put 42 points on the board. The nature of the game was that we weren't in synch. To put 35 points up, offensively, is remarkable. I don't know how we got that many, and I'm anxious to look at the films to find out how we did it."

"Our passing game wasn't on today, but our running game is the one things that is reliable. we don't want to win easy. We like to win the tough way. The running game is there each and every week."

"Our football players look on our defense, and they see we're getting better. But we haven't been tested with a power running game in a while. Air Force dominated Ohio State last year in the bowl game and we'll have to prepare fort the wishbone."

"Pitt is a good football team. I hope they'll bounce back and have a good year. This was just one of those days where things went against them."



PITT COACH PAUL HACKETT

That's a great Notre Dame football team. Coming in, we knew they would be strong but we didn't expect them to play with five defensive backs and two linebackers all day and stop our running game. They did it last week at Stanford and repeated the performance today.

I'm very disappointed in our special teams play.

Their offensive game is state of the art. They option, they pass down field, they run strong in the middle and Mirer's an exceptional passer. It's a tremendous offense.

I think we played reasonably well defensively. We just could not get anything going offensively.

It was a tough, emotional series on the first march. I felt we had to do something, that's why we went for it on fourth down.

(ON RICK MIRER) Last year was a different Rick Mirer. We disguised a lot of things last year. His immaturity and being a first-year starter hurt him last year. But he's more comfortable and more in control this year. Having that strong running game behind him gives him more confidence. In critical situations he makes the plays. I'm very impressed with him as a collegiate quarterback..

They decided to play the nickel today. We were somewhat prepared for it because we saw it last week at Stanford. I didn't have enough confidence to just drop back and fire it down the field all day. We just could not find our rythum. Their blitzes were very effective. They had an excellent defensive game plan.

(SPECIAL TEAMS) IF we had been a team that usually struggles with special teams I don't think the block would have bothered us. But we excell in that area. We win gamesbecause of our special teams play. I think it bothered us abit. We're a young team though.

We have to see if we have the ability to bounce back. We have to call on ourselves and go from here. I think we played together very well today. This team will come back.



UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH PLAYER QUOTES:

Alex Van Pelt: (on first loss) We have to keep our heads up. It's just a loss and we will rebound. On Sunday we will watch the film and see what happened and get ready for Syracuse.

(on lack of offense): We thought they might put an extra defensive back in, but we did not expect it as much as they did it. Their defense is better than the stats say. Our game plan was to run the ball effectively and set up easy completions, but we can't do that when we get behind a team like Notre Dame. Our offense is not clicking and we need to be more consistent. No one is pointing fingers, but little things here and there keep us one step away from being a high caliber team.

(on special teams): ~~Some~~ A very good team like Notre Dame will capitalize on mistakes like the ones our special teams made. They are a very good team.

Nelson Walker: (on special teams mistakes): We lost the ball too much, but it is the defense's job to stop them after mistakes. We didn't respond to the call.

(on ND running game): They gashed us on the run. They did nothing special, they just played us straight up and took it to us strong.

Leon Theodorou, punter: (on blocked punt) I saw him coming from the corner and I thought I could get it off, but he came so fast and so clean and he blocked it. I hurried a little, but his speed surprised me. It was just a messed up assignment and I wouldn't call it a weakness.

(on the special teams) They weren't a real letdown, but we have to play through them.

Steve Israel, defensive back: (on special teams) All season long, our defense and special teams have played well. Today we just didn't click. I tried to do too much and lost my concentration.

(on the defense) The defense played well, but we have to get help from the offense and special teams.

GAME NOTES

Notre Dame leads the all-time series by a 36-16-1 count.

Tony Brooks moved into 12th place on the Notre Dame rushing list. His 1850 yards move him past Ricky Watters (1814), Christie Flanagan (1822) and Jim Crowley (1841).

Alex Van Pelt moved into second place on the Pittsburgh All-Time Passing list with 6571 yards, moving past John Congemi (6467).

Jerome Bettis recorded his third 100-yard game of the season.

Notre Dame has scored at least 42 points in five of its first six games.

Reggie Brooks' 26-yard blocked punt return for a touchdown was Notre Dame's first since Steve Cichy recovered a punt that Tony Belden blocked in the 1979 Cotton Bowl vs. Houston for a touchdown.