



2011

NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

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Countdown To Kickoff

- 10** Junior RB **Cierre Wood** is the 10th Irish player to eclipse 1,000 rushing yards for a season. (Pages 37-38)
- 9** Senior S **Harrison Smith** and junior ILB **Manti Te'o** both have 299 career tackles. Only nine players in school history have recorded more stops. (Pages 45-46)
- 8** Senior PK **David Ruffer** has made eight consecutive field goal attempts that ties for the eighth-longest streak in school history. He also ranks third in career field goal percentage among active FBS kickers. (Pages 47-48)
- 7** Senior WR **Michael Floyd** has a career-high 87 receptions this year and needs seven more catches to break Notre Dame's single-season receptions record of 93 set by **Golden Tate** in 2009. (Pages 26-30)
- 6** Notre Dame is one of six FBS schools that has already registered a 1,000-yard receiver (**Michael Floyd**) and 1,000-yard rusher (**Cierre Wood**). The other FBS schools to already accomplish are Iowa, Oklahoma State, North Carolina, California and Texas A&M. (Page 19)
- 5** Junior TE **Tyler Eifert** — who was recently named a finalist for the Mackey Award (given to the nation's top tight end) — needs just 14 yards receiving to become the fifth Notre Dame tight end in school history to amass 1,000 career yards. He also needs just two grabs to break **Ken MacAfee's** 34-year old school record for most catches in a season by an Irish tight end. (Pages 35-36)
- 4** Only four teams have allowed fewer rushing touchdowns than the eight scores permitted by the Irish (Alabama, Utah, LSU and TCU). Over the last 20 games, Notre Dame has allowed only four rushing touchdowns by opposing running backs. (Pages 39-40)
- 3** The Irish defense has been great on third down over the last three games, allowing an average of only three conversions per game (9-35). The three third-down conversions average is the fewest for Notre Dame over any three-game stretch since 2008. (Page 41)
- 2** Sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** is on pace to record the second-best completion percentage for a single season in Notre Dame history. The 66.6 completion percentage trails only **Jimmy Clausen's** 68.0 percent he set as a junior in 2009. (Pages 32-35)
- 1** The Notre Dame offense has gotten off to a quick start as it has scored on its first possession in six of the last seven games. Of those six games, the Irish have tallied a touchdown on their opening drive in all but one of those contests. (Page 13)
- 0** The Irish defense has been stingy in the third quarter all season. Notre Dame has not allowed any points in the third quarter in 10 of 11 games this year and only one offensive touchdown has been scored on the Irish in the first period following halftime. (Page 14)

Game-12

#22/24 Notre Dame (8-3) vs. #4/5 Stanford (10-1)

DATE

► Saturday, November 26, 2011

TIME

► 5:12 p.m. PT

SITE (CAPACITY)

► Stanford Stadium (50,000); Stanford, Calif.

TELEVISION

► ABC national telecast with Brent Musburger (play-by-play), Kirk Herbstreit (analysis), Heather Cox (sideline), Bill Bonnell (producer) and Derek Mobley (director).

RADIO

► IMG College Sports is the exclusive national rights-holder for Irish football radio broadcasts. IMG College manages, produces and syndicates the Irish national football radio network. Notre Dame games will be broadcast by Don Criqui (play-by-play), former Irish great Allen Pinkett (analysis) and Jeff Jeffers (sideline). This broadcast can be heard live on both SIRIUS and XM Satellite Radio (channel 129).

► All Notre Dame home games may be heard in South Bend on Sunny 101.5 FM and Newsradio 960 WBSB-AM.

TICKETS

► Notre Dame has played in front of sellout crowds in 279 of its previous 315 games, including 120 of its last 156 games away from the friendly confines of Notre Dame Stadium dating back to the start of the 1986 season (include this weekend's tilt with Stanford which is sold out).

WEB SITES

► Notre Dame (UND.com), Stanford (GoStanford.com)

POLLS

► Notre Dame is tied at No. 22 this week in the Associated Press poll and No. 24 in the *USA Today* Coaches' poll. Stanford is ranked No. 4 in the AP and No. 5 in the coaches.

REAL-TIME STATS

► Live in-game statistics will be provided through CBS College Sports GameTracker via UND.com.

SERIES INFO

► Notre Dame and Stanford will meet for the 26th time on Saturday with the Irish holding a 17-8 advantage in the series. This will be the 12th meeting in Stanford, with the Irish holding a slim 6-5 lead. (more on the series on pages 51-54).

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2011 Notre Dame Schedule

Date	ND Rank	Opponent (TV)	Location	Time/Result
Sept. 3	16/18	USF (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	L, 20-23
Sept. 10	-/-	at Michigan (ESPN)	Ann Arbor, Mich.	L, 31-35
Sept. 17	-/-	15/15 Michigan State (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 31-13
Sept. 24	-/-	at Pittsburgh (ABC)	Pittsburgh, Pa.	W, 15-12
Oct. 1	-/-	at Purdue (ESPN)	West Lafayette, Ind.	W, 38-10
Oct. 8	-/-	vs. Air Force (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 59-33
Oct. 22	-/-	vs. USC (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	L, 17-31
Oct. 29	-/-	vs. Navy (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 56-14
Nov. 5	-/-	at Wake Forest (ABC/ESPN2)	Winston-Salem, N.C.	W, 24-17
Nov. 12	-/-	vs. Maryland (NBC)	Landover, Md. (FedEx Field)	W, 45-21
Nov. 19	24/25	vs. Boston College (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 16-14
Nov. 26	22/24	at 4/5 Stanford (ABC)	Stanford, Calif.	5:00 p.m.

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Notre Dame's Record When...

	Kelly Career	Kelly at ND	2011
At Home	101-26-1	8-5	4-2
On The Road	80-36-1	5-2	3-1
Neutral Site Games	6-3	3-1	1-0
In Overtime	4-3	0-1	0-0
Coming off a loss	38-20	4-4	2-1
Coming off a win	135-35-1	11-4	6-1
Coming off an open date	12-2	1-1	0-1
Vs. AP top 25	10-5	2-1	1-0
Both teams are AP-ranked	4-2	0-0	0-0
Neither team is ranked	43-22	12-6	5-2
Ranked higher	24-4	1-1	1-1
Opponent is ranked higher	5-5	2-1	1-0
Vs. In-state Opponents	72-22	2-0	1-0
In August	3-2	0-0	0-0
In September	54-28	3-5	2-2
In October	64-22	6-3	3-1
In November	54-13	6-0	3-0
In December	9-1	1-0	0-0
In January	0-1	0-0	0-0
On Television	46-16*	16-8	8-3
On NBC	10-5	10-5	5-2
On ABC	5-1	3-1	1-0
On ESPN	9-3	1-1	1-1
On ESPN2	8-2	1-0	1-0
On CBS	1-1	1-1	0-0
Afternoon Games	126-48-2	10-5	5-1
Night Games	58-16	6-3	3-2
Decided By 3 or Less	35-14-2	2-3	2-1
Decided By 7 or Less	60-28-2	5-5	3-2
Scoring First	124-22	10-4	6-1
Opponent Scores First	61-43-2	6-4	2-2
Leading At Halftime	147-12	15-2	7-1
Tied At Halftime	11-6	0-1	0-0
Trailing At Halftime	26-47-2	1-5	1-2
Leading After 3 Qtrs.	159-10	14-2	7-1
Tied After 3 Qtrs.	8-2	0-1	0-0
Trailing After 3 Qtrs.	18-53	1-5	1-2
Scoring 40+ Points	72-1	4-0	3-0
Scoring 30-39 Points	51-6	4-2	2-1
Scoring 20-29 Points	49-25-1	6-3	1-1
Scoring 0-19 Points	15-33-1	2-3	2-1
Allowing 40+ Points	6-14	0-0	0-0
Allowing 30-39 Points	12-26	1-4	1-2
Allowing 20-29 Points	50-20-1	2-2	1-1
Allowing 0-19 Points	119-5-1	13-0	6-0
Outrushing Opponent	150-22-1	13-1	6-1
Getting Outrushed	33-42-2	2-8	1-3
Passing For More Yds	121-40-1	8-7	6-2
Passing For Fewer Yds	65-22-1	8-1	2-1
Outgaining Opponent	156-21-1	11-4	6-2
Getting Outgained	29-41-1	5-4	2-1
Winning Time of Poss.	96-23	7-1	4-1
Losing Time of Poss.	89-40-2	9-7	4-2
Scoring a Def./STTD	62-5	3-1	2-1
Allowing a Def./STTD	14-24	0-5	0-2
Fewer Penalty Yards	47-29-1	9-4	4-1
More Penalty Yards	132-34-1	7-4	4-2
Winning Turnover Battle	112-12	9-1	3-0
Losing Turnover Battle	48-35-1	7-7	5-3
Individual 100-yard rusher	86-19-1	3-2	3-2
Individual 100-yard receiver	74-23	4-6	2-2
Individual 200-yard passer	125-31-1	11-6	5-2
Opponent 100-yard rusher	33-33-1	1-5	1-1
Opponent 100-yard receiver	58-30	2-5	1-2
Opponent 200-yard passer	72-29-1	5-5	1-2

*excludes regular season games from GVSU era (unknown TV games).
Some records fail to include two contests; Nov. 16, 1991 vs. Valparaiso and Oct. 26, 1996 vs. Saginaw Valley State (detailed stats unavailable)

A VICTORY OVER STANFORD...

- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's overall record to 9-3 (.750) overall, 5-1 (.833) away from Notre Dame Stadium and 4-1 (.800) on the road.
- ▶ Gives the Irish a five-game winning streak for the first time since 2006.
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame its first five-game winning streak to close the regular season since 2005.
- ▶ Gives the Irish a victory for the ninth time in the last 10 games and 13th time in the last 16 games.
- ▶ Extends the road winning streak for Notre Dame to four games (longest road winning streak since 2006).
- ▶ Secures the first nine-win season for the Irish since 2006 and 36th in school history.
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame nine victories in a season in which they started 0-2 for just the second time in school history (1978, 9-3).
- ▶ Gives the Irish a victory over an AP top-five foe for the first time since Sept. 10, 2005 when Notre Dame won at No. 3 Michigan (17-10).
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame a victory over an AP top-five foe in the month of November for the first time since Nov. 13, 1993 when the No. 2 Irish knocked off No. 1 Florida State (31-24).
- ▶ Gives the Irish a victory over an AP top-five foe in the regular season finale for the first time since Nov. 26, 1988 when No. 1 Notre Dame upended No. 2 USC (27-10).
- ▶ Improves the Irish to 40-55-5 (.425) all-time against AP top-five foes, including 12-21-2 (.371) on the road.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 143-128-10 (.527) all-time against AP top-25 foes, including 56-55-4 (.504) on the road.
- ▶ Improves the all-time record for the Irish in regular season finales to 65-44-12 (.587).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record in regular season finales on the road to 41-37-10 (.523).
- ▶ Improves the all-time record for the Irish to 854-298-42 (.733).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record outside of South Bend to 392-180-29 (.676).
- ▶ Improves the all-time record for the Irish on the road to 283-144-23 (.654).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record against Stanford to 18-8 (.692).
- ▶ Improves the all-time record for the Irish against the Cardinal in Stanford Stadium to 7-5 (.583).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time record against the Pac-12 to 88-48-2 (.645).
- ▶ Improves the all-time record for the Irish away from South Bend against the Pac-12 to 40-30-5 (.567).
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame's all-time road record against the Pac-12 to 35-26-5 (.568).
- ▶ Improves the Irish to 1-4 (.200) all-time against ranked Stanford.
- ▶ Improves Notre Dame to 1-2 (.333) all-time against the ranked Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Improves the ranked Irish to 12-2 (.857) all-time against Stanford.
- ▶ Improves ranked Notre Dame to 5-0 (1.000) all-time against the Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Improves the ranked Irish to 1-1 (.500) all-time against ranked Stanford.
- ▶ Improves ranked Notre Dame to 1-0 (1.000) all-time against the ranked Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 188-65-2 (.741) overall.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 70-30 (.700) in FBS games.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 60-18 (.769) over the last six seasons.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 111-32 (.776) since 2001.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 5-2 (.714) all-time against current members of the Pac-12, including 3-0 (1.000) on the road.
- ▶ Improves Kelly's record to 55-13 (.809) all-time in the month of November.
- ▶ Extends Kelly's winning streak in the month of November to 15 games.
- ▶ Makes Kelly the first Irish coach to knock off a top-five opponent on the road in the month of November since Lou Holtz on Nov. 26, 1988 when No. 1 Notre Dame upended No. 2 USC (27-10).
- ▶ Makes Kelly the first Notre Dame coach to knock off a top-five opponent in the month of November since Lou Holtz on Nov. 13, 1993 when the No. 2 Irish knocked off No. 1 Florida State (31-24).
- ▶ Makes Kelly the first Irish coach to register victories in consecutive meetings with a ranked opponent in the month of November since Lou Holtz in 1992-93.

Irish Milestones Within Reach

Player	Category	No.	Needs
Tyler Eifert	Catches	55	2 to set single-season school record for catches by a tight end
Tyler Eifert	Catches	100	20 to become third ND tight end with 100 career catches
Tyler Eifert	Receiving Yards	798	164 to set single-season school record for yards by a tight end
Tyler Eifert	Receiving Yards	1,000	14 to become fifth ND tight end with 1,000 career yards
Michael Floyd	Catches	93	6 to set single-season record for catches
Michael Floyd	Receiving Yards	1,100	86 to become sixth ND wideout with 1,100 yards in season
Michael Floyd	Catches	272	14 catches to become 25th player in FBS history with at least 272
Tommy Rees	Completions	292	45 to set single-season school record for completions
Tommy Rees	Pass Attempts	400	29 to become third ND quarterback with 400 in season
Tommy Rees	Passing Yards	3,000	352 to become third ND quarterback with 3,000 yards in season
Tommy Rees	Pass Attempts	600	65 to become seventh ND quarterback with 600 attempts in career
Tommy Rees	Completions	400	53 to become fifth ND quarterback with 400 completions in career
Tommy Rees	Passing Yards	4,000	246 to become 10th ND quarterback with 4,000 yards in career
Tommy Rees	TD Passes	20	1 to become third ND quarterback with 20 TD passes in season
Tommy Rees	TD Passes	35	4 to become fifth ND quarterback with 35 TD passes in career
Harrison Smith	Tackles	300	1 to become 10th ND player with 300 tackles in career
Manti Te'o	Tackles	300	1 to become 10th ND player with 300 tackles in career

A DEFEAT TO STANFORD...

- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's overall record to 8-4 (.667) overall, 4-2 (.667) away from Notre Dame Stadium and 3-2 (.600) on the road.
- ▶ Gives Notre Dame just its second loss in the last 10 games and fourth in the last 16 games.
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame to 39-56-5 (.415) all-time against AP top-five opponents, including 11-22-2 (.343) on the road.
- ▶ Drops the Irish to 142-129-10 (.523) all-time against AP top-25 opponents, including 55-56-4 (.496) on the road.
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's all-time record in regular season finales to 64-45-12 (.579).
- ▶ Drops the all-time record for the Irish in regular season finales on the road to 40-38-10 (.511).
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's all-time record to 853-299-42 (.732).
- ▶ Drops the all-time record for the Irish outside of South Bend to 391-181-29 (.675).
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's all-time record on the road to 282-145-23 (.652).
- ▶ Drops the all-time record for the Irish against Stanford to 17-9 (.654).
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's all-time record against the Cardinal in Stanford Stadium to 6-6 (.500).
- ▶ Drops the all-time record for Irish against the Pac-12 to 87-49-2 (.638).
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame's all-time record away from South Bend against the Pac-12 to 39-31-5 (.553).
- ▶ Drops the all-time road record for the Irish against the Pac-12 to 34-27-5 (.553).
- ▶ Drops the Irish to 0-5 (.000) all-time against ranked Stanford.
- ▶ Drops Notre Dame to 0-3 (.000) all-time against the ranked Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Drops the ranked Irish to 11-3 (.786) all-time against Stanford.
- ▶ Drops ranked Notre Dame to 4-1 (.800) all-time against the Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Drops the ranked Irish to 0-2 (.000) all-time against ranked Stanford.
- ▶ Drops ranked Notre Dame to 0-1 (.000) all-time against the ranked Cardinal on the road.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 187-66-2 (.737) overall.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 69-31 (.690) in FBS games.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 59-19 (.756) over the last six seasons.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 110-33 (.769) since 2001.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 4-3 (.571) all-time against current members of the Pac-12, including 2-1 (.667) on the road.
- ▶ Drops Kelly's record to 54-14 (.794) all-time in the month of November.
- ▶ Snaps Kelly's winning streak in the month of November at 14 games.

NOTRE DAME IN NOVEMBER

- ▶ Notre Dame is 315-121-27 (.710) all-time during the month.
- ▶ The Irish are 146-44-7 (.759) in November home games.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 116-65-16 (.629) in November road games.
- ▶ The Irish are 53-12-4 (.797) in November neutral games.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 98-37-2 (.723) in November games at Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Notre Dame has won six straight games in the month of November. The six-game winning streak comes directly on the heels of a six-game losing streak in the month of November (Irish lost eight of its last nine November games before Kelly's arrival in 2010).

ON THIS DATE

- ▶ Notre Dame has played 14 previous games in its history on Nov. 26. The Irish are 11-2-1 (.821) all-time on this date.
- ▶ **1988:** Top-ranked Notre Dame handles second-ranked USC, 27-10, to finish the regular season 11-0. The Irish went on to win the national championship with a 34-21 victory over West Virginia.

Season	Site	ND Coach	W/L/T	Score	ND Rank	Opponent	Opp. Coach	Opp. Rank
1896	Home	Frank Hering	W	8-0	No Poll	Beloit	C.M. Hollister	No Poll
1903	Away	James Faragher	W	35-0	No Poll	Wabash	Tug Wilson	No Poll
1908	Away	Victor Place	W	6-0	No Poll	Marquette	William Juneau	No Poll
1914	Away	Jesse Harper	W	20-0	No Poll	Syracuse	Rank O'Neill	No Poll
1925	Away	Knute Rockne	L	0-17	No Poll	Nebraska	E.E. Bearg	No Poll
1927	Soldier Field	Knute Rockne	W	7-6	No Poll	USC	Howard Jones	No Poll
1932	Yankee Stadium	Hunk Anderson	W	21-0	No Poll	Army	Ralph Sasse	No Poll
1949	Home	Frank Leahy	W	32-0	1	USC	Jeff Cravath	17
1955	Away	Terry Brennan	L	20-42	5	USC	Jess Hill	Not Ranked
1960	Away	Joe Kuharich	W	17-0	Not Ranked	USC	John McKay	Not Ranked
1966	Away	Ara Parseghian	W	51-0	1	USC	John McKay	10
1988	Away	Lou Holtz	W	27-10	1	USC	Larry Smith	2
1994	Away	Lou Holtz	T	17-17	Not Ranked	USC	John Robinson	17
2005	Away	Charlie Weis	W	38-31	6	Stanford	Walt Harris	Not Ranked

OPENERS AN INDICATOR?

- ▶ Notre Dame is 102-16-5 (.850) in season openers, but have they been foretelling of the season ahead? Take a look:
- ▶ The 102 seasons Notre Dame has won its opener, the Irish went on to post winning records 93 times (91.2%) with four losing seasons and five .500 records.
- ▶ The 16 seasons the Irish lost their opener, the Irish posted winning records seven times and a losing mark eight times (with one .500 season).
- ▶ The five seasons Notre Dame registered a tie in its opener, the Irish had four winning records and one losing record.

National Rankings

USA TODAY/COACHES (Nov. 20)

Rk	School	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	LSU (59)	11-0	1475	1
2.	Alabama	10-1	1413	3
3.	Arkansas	10-1	1349	6
4.	Virginia Tech	10-1	1242	7
5.	Stanford	10-1	1222	9
6.	Oklahoma State	10-1	1156	2
7.	Houston	11-0	1075	10
8.	Boise State	9-1	982	11
9.	Oregon	9-2	933	4
10.	Michigan State	9-2	928	12
11.	Oklahoma	8-2	826	5
12.	Wisconsin	9-2	808	13
13.	South Carolina	9-2	806	14
14.	Georgia	9-2	803	15
15.	Kansas State	9-2	671	17
16.	Michigan	9-2	618	18
17.	Clemson	9-2	587	8
18.	TCU	9-2	494	19
19.	Penn State	9-2	455	21
20.	Baylor	7-3	302	NR
21.	Georgia Tech	8-3	203	23
22.	Nebraska	8-3	165	16
23.	West Virginia	7-3	158	23
24.	Notre Dame	8-3	156	25
25.	Virginia	8-3	154	NR

Others Receiving Votes

Rutgers 54, Auburn 33, Southern Miss 25, Tulsa 23, Brigham Young 21, Arkansas State 10, Northern Illinois 10, Missouri 8, Texas A&M 4, Utah 3, Texas 1, Florida State 1, Iowa State 1.

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Nov. 20)

Rk	School	Record	Pts	Pvs
1.	LSU (60)	11-0	1500	1
2.	Alabama	10-1	1440	3
3.	Arkansas	10-1	1376	6
4.	Stanford	10-1	1224	8
5.	Oklahoma State	10-1	1206	2
6.	Virginia Tech	10-1	1133	9
7.	Boise State	9-1	1025	10
8.	Houston	11-0	1018	11
9.	Oregon	9-2	1008	4
10.	USC	9-2	964	18
11.	Michigan State	9-2	876	12
12.	Oklahoma	8-2	819	5
13.	Georgia	9-2	815	13
14.	South Carolina	9-2	762	14
15.	Wisconsin	9-2	714	15
16.	Kansas State	9-2	682	16
17.	Michigan	9-2	527	20
18.	Clemson	9-2	515	7
19.	TCU	9-2	456	19
20.	Penn State	9-2	398	21
21.	Baylor	7-3	383	25
22.	Notre Dame	8-3	155	24
	Nebraska	8-3	155	17
24.	Virginia	8-3	147	NR
25.	Georgia Tech	8-3	77	NR

Others Receiving Votes

West Virginia 37, Tulsa 34, Auburn 28, Southern Miss 12, Rutgers 6, Arkansas State 4, Iowa State 3, Cincinnati 1.

2011 opponents in **bold**

ALL THE NIGHT MOVES

- ▶ Notre Dame hosted a night game (Oct. 22, USC, 7:30 p.m.) for the first time in 21 years. The previous night game at Notre Dame Stadium came on Sept. 15, 1990 against Michigan.
- ▶ Notre Dame has already played under the lights Sept. 10 at Michigan, Oct. 1 at Purdue, Nov. 5 at Wake Forest and Nov. 12 against Maryland at FedEx Field. The Irish close the regular season with a night game at Stanford (Nov. 26).
- ▶ Six night games is a Notre Dame regular season record.
- ▶ This year marks the 60th anniversary of Notre Dame's first night game, a 48-6 rout of Detroit on Oct. 5, 1951 in Briggs Stadium.
- ▶ The Irish have played 98 night games overall with an overall record of 63-33-2 (.653), including 6-2 all-time at home.
- ▶ The largest margin of victory at night was 57-7 at Stanford on Nov. 29, 2004, when Willingham poured it on his former employer.

- ▶ The largest margin of defeat was 38-3 at USC on Nov. 29, 2008, eking out the Jan. 1, 1973 Orange Bowl to Nebraska (40-6) — which would inspire the Irish to win the national title the next year under Parseghian.
- ▶ Notre Dame's longest winning streak in night games is 11, beginning with an Oct. 13, 1973 win at Rice and concluding with a Sept. 24, 1983 shutout loss at Miami (20-0), which went on to win its first national title.
- ▶ The longest losing streak is nine under Davie.
- ▶ Notre Dame's night history can almost be divided into two eras — the 35-year pre-Lou Holtz era from 1951-85, and the 25 years since Holtz took the reins in 1986. It was under Holtz that multiple night games in a season became standard at Notre Dame. It eventually prompted the exclusive NBC contract for home games that commenced with the 1991 season.
- ▶ In the 35 years from 1951-85, Notre Dame was 21-6-1 (.768) in night games. In the 11 years under Holtz alone (1986-96), the Irish were an almost identical 20-5-1 (.788).

- ▶ Notre Dame has played more night games against Miami (Fla.) and USC (11) than any other foes. The Irish are 6-4-1 (.591) vs. the Hurricanes, with the lone loss at home at night occurring in 1984. Notre Dame is 3-7-1 (.350) against the Trojans.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 6-7 (.462) at night in bowls, where it has a five-game losing streak and has not won since the 39-28 conquest of Florida in the 1992 Sugar Bowl.
- ▶ Here's a look at each of Notre Dame head coach's record at night:

Leahy: 1-0	Brennan: 1-1	Kuharich: 0-1
Parseghian: 10-2-1	Davie: 5-0	Faust: 4-2
Holtz: 20-5-1	Davie: 2-9	Willingham: 5-2
Baer: 0-1	Weis: 9-7	Kelly: 6-3

All-Time
Night Games

Date	Result	Opponent	Score	Date	Result	Opponent	Score
Oct. 5, 1951	W	(5) Detroit (at Briggs Stadium)	40-6	Jan. 1, 1996	L	(6) Florida State (8) (at Orange Bowl)	26-31
Oct. 7, 1955	W	at (5) Miami, Fla. (15)	14-0	Sept. 5, 1996	W	at *(6) Vanderbilt	14-7
Sept. 22, 1956	L	at (3) SMU (1:50)	13-19	Nov. 30, 1996	L	at (10) USC	20-27 (ot)
Nov. 12, 1960	L	at Miami, Fla.	21-28	Nov. 29, 1997	W	at Hawaii (0:05)	23-22
Oct. 9, 1965	W	(7) Army (at Shea Stadium)	17-0	Dec. 28, 1997	L	LSU (15) (at Independence Bowl)	9-27
Nov. 27, 1965	T	at (6) Miami, Fla.	0-0	Sept. 12, 1998	L	at (10) Michigan State	23-45
Nov. 24, 1967	W	at (6) Miami, Fla.	24-22	Nov. 28, 1998	L	at (9) USC	0-10
Oct. 25, 1969	W	at (12) Tulane	37-0	Nov. 6, 1999	L	at (24) Tennessee (4)	14-38
Nov. 15, 1969	W	at (9) Georgia Tech	38-20	Nov. 27, 1999	L	at Stanford (0:00)	37-40
Oct. 9, 1971	W	at (7) Miami, Fla.	17-0	Jan. 1, 2001	L	(10) Oregon State (5) (at Sun Devil Stadium)	9-41
Nov. 20, 1971	L	at (7) LSU (14)	8-28	Sept. 8, 2001	L	at (23) Nebraska (5)	10-27
Jan. 1, 1972	L	(12) Nebraska (9) (at Orange Bowl)	6-40	Oct. 27, 2001	L	at Boston College	17-21
Oct. 13, 1973	W	at (9) Rice	28-0	Nov. 24, 2001	L	at Stanford (13) (1:08) (R)	13-17
Dec. 1, 1973	W	at (5) Miami, Fla.	44-0	Dec. 1, 2001	W	at Purdue	24-18
Dec. 31, 1973	W	(3) Alabama (4:26) (1) (at Tulane Stadium)	24-23	Aug. 31, 2002	W	Maryland (21) *(at Giants Stadium)	22-0
Sept. 9, 1974	W	at (2) Georgia Tech	31-7	Oct. 19, 2002	W	at (7) Air Force (18)	21-14
Jan. 1, 1975	W	(9) Alabama (U) (2) (at Orange Bowl)	13-11	Nov. 30, 2002	L	at (7) USC (6)	13-44
Sept. 15, 1975	W	(9) Boston College (at Foxboro Stadium)	17-3	Oct. 11, 2003	W	at Pittsburgh (15)	20-14
Nov. 22, 1975	W	at Miami, Fla.	32-9	Nov. 29, 2003	W	at Stanford	57-7
Dec. 27, 1976	W	(15) Penn State (20) (at Gator Bowl)	20-9	Sept. 4, 2004	L	at BYU	17-20
Dec. 3, 1977	W	at (5) Miami, Fla.	48-10	Sept. 18, 2004	W	at Michigan State	31-24
Oct. 25, 1980	W	at (4) Arizona	20-3	Dec. 28, 2004	L	SOregon State (at Bank One Ballpark) (NT)	21-38
Sept. 18, 1982	W	*(20) Michigan (10)	23-17	Sept. 3, 2005	W	at Pittsburgh (23)	42-21
Sept. 24, 1983	L	at (13) Miami, Fla.	0-20	Oct. 1, 2005	W	at (13) Purdue (22)	49-28
Oct. 8, 1983	W	at South Carolina (7)	30-6	Nov. 26, 2005	W	at (6) Stanford (0:55)	38-31
Dec. 29, 1983	W	Boston College (13) (at Liberty Bowl)	19-18	Sept. 2, 2006	W	at (2) Georgia Tech	14-10
Oct. 6, 1984	L	(17) Miami, Fla. (R) (14)	13-31	Sept. 23, 2006	W	at (12) Michigan State (2:53)	40-37
Sept. 21, 1985	W	Michigan State	27-10	Nov. 25, 2006	L	at (6) USC (3)	24-44
Nov. 1, 1986	W	Navy (at Memorial Stadium)	33-14	Jan. 3, 2007	L	(11) LSU (4) (at Superdome)	14-41
Nov. 22, 1986	L	at LSU (8)	19-21	Sept. 8, 2007	L	at Penn State (14)	10-31
Sept. 19, 1987	W	(9) Michigan State (17)	31-8	Oct. 6, 2007	W	at UCLA	20-6
Oct. 10, 1987	L	at (4) Pittsburgh (R)	22-30	Oct. 25, 2008	W	at Washington	33-7
Sept. 10, 1988	W	(13) Michigan (1:13) (9)	19-17	Nov. 8, 2008	L	at Boston College	0-17
Oct. 1, 1988	W	(5) Stanford	42-14	Nov. 29, 2008	L	at USC (5)	3-38
Aug. 31, 1989	W	(2) Virginia (at Giants Stadium)	36-13	Sept. 26, 2009	W	at Purdue (0:25)	24-21
Oct. 14, 1989	W	at (1) Air Force (17)	41-27	Oct. 31, 2009	W	Washington State (at Alamodome)	40-14
Jan. 1, 1990	W	(4) Colorado (1) (at Orange Bowl)	21-6	Nov. 14, 2009	L	at Pittsburgh (8)	22-27
Sept. 15, 1990	W	(1) Michigan (1:40) (4)	28-24	Nov. 28, 2009	L	at Stanford (0:59)	38-45
Oct. 27, 1990	W	at (3) Pittsburgh	31-22	Sept. 18, 2010	L	at Michigan State (R)	31-34 (ot)
Nov. 24, 1990	W	at (7) USC (18)	10-6	Oct. 2, 2010	W	at Boston College	31-13
Jan. 1, 1991	L	(5) Colorado (at Orange Bowl) (1)	9-10	Nov. 20, 2010	W	Army (at Yankee Stadium)	27-3
Oct. 5, 1991	W	at (8) Stanford	42-26	Nov. 27, 2010	W	at USC (R) (2:23)	20-16
Oct. 19, 1991	W	at (5) Air Force	28-15	Sept. 10, 2011	L	at Michigan (0:02)	31-35
Nov. 30, 1991	W	at (17) Hawaii	48-42	Oct. 1, 2011	W	at Purdue	38-10
Jan. 1, 1992	W	(18) Florida (3) (at Superdome)	39-28	Oct. 22, 2011	L	USC	17-31
Oct. 10, 1992	W	at (14) Pittsburgh	52-21	Nov. 5, 2011	W	at Wake Forest	24-17
Nov. 28, 1992	W	at (5) USC (19)	31-23	Nov. 12, 2011	W	vs. Maryland (at FedEx Field)	45-21
Oct. 16, 1993	W	at (3) BYU	45-20	TOTALS			63-33-2
Sept. 3, 1994	W	(3) Northwestern (at Soldier Field)	42-15	Home games in bold			
Nov. 26, 1994	T	at USC (17) (4:53 USC)	17-17	<i>The number in front of the opponent name indicates Notre Dame's ranking in the AP poll coming into the game. The number following the opponent name indicates its ranking. 0:00 indicates time remaining in games decided in the final minutes. R indicates game played in rain. S indicates game played in snow.</i>			
Nov. 18, 1995	W	at (8) Air Force	44-14				

REGULAR SEASON FINALES

- ▶ Notre Dame is 64-44-12 (.583) in regular season finales (excludes 1887, 1889 seasons when the Irish played just one game).
- ▶ Notre Dame is 40-37-10 (.517) on the road in regular season finales.
- ▶ The Irish are 17-5 (.773) at home in regular season finales.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 7-2-2 (.727) in regular season finales at neutral sites.
- ▶ The Irish are 2-2 (.500) at Stanford in regular season finales.

▶ Here's a breakdown of each Notre Dame head coach's record in regular season finales (post 1912):

Harper: 5-0 **Rockne:** 9-3-1 **Anderson:** 1-2 **Layden:** 4-2-1
Leahy: 7-2-2 **McKeever:** 1-0 **Devore:** 0-2 **Brennan:** 3-2
Kuharich: 2-2 **Parseghian:** 4-5-2 **Devine:** 3-3 **Faust:** 1-4
Holtz: 6-4-1 **Davie:** 3-2 **Willingham:** 0-3 **Weis:** 2-3
Kelly: 1-0

▶ The largest margin of victory in a regular season finale was 69-0 against Marquette (Comiskey Park) on Nov. 28, 1912. In terms of the modern era (post WWII), the largest margin of victory was 51-0 at No. 10 USC on Nov. 26, 1966 (Irish secured national title).

▶ The largest margin of defeat was 58-7 at No. 4 Miami, Fla. on Nov. 30, 1985.

All-Time Regular Season Finales

Date	Result	Opponent	Score	Date	Result	Opponent	Score
Nov. 27, 2010	W	at USC (NT) (R) (2:23)	20-16	Dec. 4, 1948	T	at (2) USC (0:35 ND)	14-14
Nov. 28, 2009	L	at Stanford (NT) (0:59)	38-45	Dec. 6, 1947	W	at (1) USC (3)	38-7
Nov. 29, 2008	L	at USC (5) (NT)	3-38	Nov. 30, 1946	W	(2) USC (16)	26-6
Nov. 24, 2007	W	at Stanford	21-14	Dec. 1, 1945	L	at (5) Great Lakes	7-39
Nov. 25, 2006	L	at (6) USC (3) (NT)	24-44	Dec. 2, 1944	W	(9) Great Lakes (12)	28-7
Nov. 26, 2005	W	at (6) Stanford (NT) (0:55)	38-31	Nov. 27, 1943	L	at (1) Great Lakes (0:33)	14-19
Nov. 27, 2004	L	at USC (1) (NT)	10-41	Dec. 5, 1942	T	(6) Great Lakes (S) (Soldier Field)	13-13
Dec. 6, 2003	L	at Syracuse	12-38	Nov. 22, 1941	W	(4) USC	20-18
Nov. 30, 2002	L	at (7) USC (6) (NT)	13-44	Dec. 7, 1940	W	at USC	10-6
Dec. 1, 2001	W	at Purdue (NT)	24-18	Nov. 25, 1939	L	(7) USC (4)	12-20
Nov. 25, 2000	W	at (11) USC	38-21	Dec. 3, 1938	L	at (1) USC (8)	0-13
Nov. 27, 1999	L	at Stanford (NT) (0:00)	37-40	Nov. 27, 1937	W	(9) USC (1:45)	13-6
Nov. 28, 1998	L	at (9) USC (NT)	0-10	Dec. 5, 1936	T	at (9) USC	13-13
Nov. 29, 1997	W	at Hawai'i (NT) (0:05)	23-22	Nov. 23, 1935	W	USC	20-13
Nov. 30, 1996	L	at (10) USC (NT)	20-27	Dec. 8, 1934	W	at USC	14-0
Nov. 18, 1995	W	at (8) Air Force (NT)	44-14	Dec. 2, 1933	W	Army (Yankee Stadium)	13-12
Nov. 26, 1994	T	at USC (17) (NT) (4:53 USC)	17-17	Dec. 10, 1932	L	at USC	0-13
Nov. 20, 1993	L	(1) Boston College (16) (0:00)	39-41	Nov. 28, 1931	L	Army (Yankee Stadium)	0-12
Nov. 28, 1992	W	at (5) USC (19) (NT)	31-23	Dec. 6, 1930	W	at USC	27-0
Nov. 30, 1991	W	at (17) Hawai'i (NT)	48-42	Nov. 30, 1929	W	Army (Yankee Stadium)	7-0
Nov. 24, 1990	W	at (7) USC (18) (NT)	10-6	Dec. 1, 1928	L	at USC	14-27
Nov. 25, 1989	L	at (1) Miami, Fla. (7) (NT)	10-27	Nov. 26, 1927	W	USC (Soldier Field)	7-6
Nov. 26, 1988	W	at (1) USC (2)	27-10	Dec. 4, 1926	W	at USC (2:00)	13-12
Nov. 28, 1987	L	at (10) Miami, Fla. (2)	0-24	Nov. 26, 1925	L	at Nebraska	0-17
Nov. 29, 1986	W	at USC (17)	38-37	Nov. 29, 1924	W	at Carnegie Tech	40-19
Nov. 30, 1985	L	at Miami, Fla. (4)	7-58	Nov. 29, 1923	W	at St. Louis (R)	13-0
Nov. 24, 1984	W	at USC (14) (R)	19-7	Nov. 30, 1922	L	at Nebraska	6-14
Nov. 19, 1983	L	Air Force (1:35)	22-23	Nov. 24, 1921	W	Michigan State	48-0
Nov. 27, 1982	L	at USC (17) (0:48)	13-17	Nov. 25, 1920	W	at Michigan State	25-0
Nov. 27, 1981	L	at Miami, Fla. (9)	15-37	Nov. 27, 1919	W	at Morningside (S)	14-6
Dec. 6, 1980	L	at (2) USC (17)	3-20	Nov. 28, 1918	T	at Nebraska (S)	0-0
Nov. 24, 1979	W	vs. Miami, Fla. (R) (National Olympic Stadium, Tokyo)	40-15	Nov. 24, 1917	W	at Washington & Jefferson	3-0
Nov. 25, 1978	L	at (8) USC (3) (0:02)	25-27	Nov. 30, 1916	W	at Nebraska	20-0
Dec. 3, 1977	W	at (6) Miami, Fla. (NT)	48-10	Nov. 27, 1915	W	at Rice	55-2
Nov. 27, 1976	L	at (13) USC (3)	13-17	Nov. 26, 1914	W	at Syracuse	20-0
Nov. 22, 1975	W	at Miami, Fla. (NT)	32-9	Nov. 27, 1913	W	at Texas	30-7
Nov. 30, 1974	L	at (5) USC (6)	24-55	Nov. 28, 1912	W	Marquette (Comiskey Park)	69-0
Dec. 1, 1973	W	at (5) Miami, Fla. (NT)	44-0	Nov. 30, 1911	T	at Marquette	0-0
Dec. 2, 1972	L	at (10) USC (1)	23-45	Nov. 24, 1910	T	at Marquette	5-5
Nov. 20, 1971	L	at (7) LSU (14) (NT)	8-28	Nov. 25, 1909	T	at Marquette	0-0
Nov. 28, 1970	L	at (4) USC (R)	28-38	Nov. 26, 1908	W	at Marquette	6-0
Nov. 22, 1969	W	(8) Air Force	13-6	Nov. 28, 1907	W	at St. Vincent's (Chicago)	21-12
Nov. 30, 1968	T	at (9) USC (2)	21-21	Nov. 24, 1906	W	Beloit (R)	29-0
Nov. 24, 1967	W	at (6) Miami, Fla. (NT)	24-22	Nov. 24, 1905	L	at Purdue	0-32
Nov. 26, 1966	W	at (1) USC (10)	51-0	Nov. 24, 1904	L	at Purdue	0-36
Nov. 27, 1965	T	at (6) Miami, Fla. (NT)	0-0	Nov. 26, 1903	W	at Wabash	35-0
Nov. 28, 1964	L	at (1) USC (1:33)	17-20	Nov. 27, 1902	T	at Purdue	6-6
Nov. 28, 1963	L	vs. Syracuse (3:28) (Yankee Stadium)	7-14	Nov. 28, 1901	W	South Bend AC	22-6
Dec. 1, 1962	L	at USC (1)	0-25	Nov. 29, 1900	W	Chicago Physicians	5-0
Dec. 2, 1961	L	at Duke	13-37	Nov. 30, 1899	L	Chicago Physicians	0-5
Nov. 26, 1960	W	at USC (R)	17-0	Nov. 19, 1898	W	at Albion	60-0
Nov. 28, 1959	W	USC (7)	16-6	Nov. 25, 1897	W	Michigan State (R)	34-6
Nov. 29, 1958	W	at (18) USC	20-13	Nov. 26, 1896	W	Beloit (R)	8-0
Dec. 7, 1957	W	at (10) SMU	54-21	Nov. 28, 1895	W	Chicago Physicians	32-0
Dec. 1, 1956	L	at USC (17)	20-28	Nov. 29, 1894	L	Albion	12-19
Nov. 26, 1955	L	at (5) USC	20-42	Jan. 1, 1894	L	at Chicago	0-8
Dec. 4, 1954	W	at (4) SMU	26-14	Nov. 24, 1892	T	Hillsdale	10-10
Dec. 5, 1953	W	(2) SMU	40-14	Dec. 6, 1888	W	Harvard Prep	20-0
Nov. 29, 1952	W	(7) USC (2)	9-0	TOTALS			63-33-2
Dec. 1, 1951	W	at USC (20) (R)	19-12	Home games in bold			
Dec. 2, 1950	L	at USC	7-9				
Dec. 3, 1949	W	at (1) SMU	27-20				

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Starter Sheet

Offense	2011	Streak	Career
Floyd (WR)	11	16	40
Robinson (RG)	11	27	38
Martin (LT/RT)	11	24	24
Cave (C)	9	-	22
Dever (RT)	11	16	21
Eifert (TE)	11	18	19
Riddick (WR)	9	-	18
Jones (WR)	10	5	17
Rees (QB)	10	10	14
Wood (RB)	7	-	12
Watt (OG)	11	11	11
Crist (QB)	1	-	10
Ragone (TE)	-	-	9
Gray, J. (RB)	4	4	5
Goodman (WR)	-	-	4
Toma (WR)	2	2	4
Mike Golic Jr. (C)	2	2	2
Koyack (TE)	1	-	1

Defense	2011	Streak	Career
Smith, H. (S)	11	36	45
Johnson (DE)	7	2	35
Fleming (OLB)	11	24	34
Te'o (ILB)	11	33	34
Gray, G. (CB)	11	31	31
Lewis-Moore (DE)	7	-	29
Blanton (CB)	11	11	24
Slaughter (S)	9	4	15
Motta (S)	5	2	13
Fox (ILB)	11	11	11
Nix III (NG)	9	3	9
Calabrese (ILB)	-	-	8
Shembo (OLB)	8	-	8
Cwynar (NG)	2	-	7
Lynch (DE)	4	1	4
Tuitt (DT)	3	-	3
Niklas (OLB)	1	-	1

Longest Active Streaks

Smith, H. (S)	36
Te'o (ILB)	33
Gray (CB)	31
Robinson (RG)	27

Most Career Starts (Active)

Smith, H. (S)	45
Floyd (WR)	40
Robinson (RG)	38
Johnson (DE)	35
Fleming (OLB)	34
Te'o (ILB)	34

HOW DO THEY STACK UP?

Average weight of the offensive and defensive lines:

Notre Dame OL 304.0 lbs. vs. Stanford DL 282.3 lbs.

Notre Dame DL 307.0 lbs. vs. Stanford OL 303.0 lbs.

Average height of the receivers and the secondaries:

Notre Dame WR/TE 6' 1 1/4" vs. Stanford DB 6' 0"

Notre Dame DB 6' 0 1/2" vs. Stanford WR 6' 3"

IRISH MASH UNIT

► The Irish have been beset by injuries in recent weeks. The following Notre Dame players have suffered season-ending injuries since Oct. 22 – senior DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore** (USC), senior C **Braxton Cave** (Wake Forest), senior OLB **Steve Filer** (practice leading up to Maryland game) and senior RB **Jonas Gray** (Boston College).

► Lewis-Moore has started 29 career games at defensive end, including 24 straight games (all seven in 2011) prior to the injury. He had made 32 tackles, 4.0 for loss, two pass breakups, 1.5 sacks and one forced fumble.

► Cave has started 22 career games at center, including every game over the 2010-11 season.

► Filer – a special teams stalwart for the Irish – played in 45 games (out of a possible 47) prior to the injury. He led Notre Dame in special teams tackles each of the last two seasons (12 each year).

► Gray might have been dealt the cruelest fate. One of the nation's top high school running backs when he entered Notre Dame in 2008, Gray had totaled just 309 yards and no touchdowns over the first three years of his career. He then fumbled at the one-yard line mere steps from his first career touchdown on Notre Dame's season-opening drive against USF (the Irish would commit five turnovers and lose 23-21 to the Bulls).

► Gray was in the midst of one of the most memorable breakthrough senior campaigns in Irish history. He ranked 77th in the FBS in rushing yards per game (71.91). Gray was averaging 6.9 yards per carry in 2011, which was tied with George Gipp (1919) for fifth-best in single-season school history.

► Gray had registered at least one rushing touchdown in eight straight games. He was the first Irish running back with a touchdown run in eight consecutive games since **Autry Denson** in 1998. Denson collected a rushing touchdown in the first 10 games of the '98 campaign.

► Gray's 12 rushing touchdowns this season are the most for an Irish running back since **Autry Denson** had 15 in 1998 and tied for ninth-most in single-season school history.

► Gray was also on pace to possibly reach the 1,000-yard barrier.

► Senior DE **Ethan Johnson** missed four games following an injury against Purdue on Oct. 1, but returned to the Irish lineup against Maryland on Nov. 12. Prior to his injury, Johnson had played in all 43 games since the start of his Irish career (2008).

STARTING 0-2?

► Notre Dame has started a season 0-2 seven times in the 123-year history of Irish football. Notre Dame has rebounded to secure a winning record on three occasions, including 2011.

► Notre Dame has rebounded with four consecutive wins after an 0-2 start just twice in school history. The 1978 Irish squad posted eight straight victories after their 0-2 start. Notre Dame has won eight of its last nine games this season after the 0-2 start.

► The eight victories are the second-most in school history following an 0-2 start. The 1978 squad – led by senior QB **Joe Montana** – posted nine.

Year Record after 0-2 Start Final Record

1978	9-1	9-3
2011	8-1	-
2001	5-4	5-6
1986	5-4	5-6
1896	4-1	4-3
2007	3-7	3-9
1963	2-5	2-7
1888	1-0	1-2

Career Starts By Position

—OFFENSE—

WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	WR	RB
Jones (17)	Z. Martin (22)	Watt (11)	Cave (22) Golic Jr. (2)	Robinson (38)	Dever (21) Z. Martin (2)	Eifert (19) Ragone (9) Koyack (1)	Floyd (40) Goodman (3)	Rees (14) Crist (10)	Riddick (17) Toma (4)	Wood (12) Gray (5) Riddick (1)

—DEFENSE—

DE	NG	DE	OLB	ILB	ILB	OLB	CB	S	S	CB
Lewis-Moore (29) Tuitt (2) *Fleming (1)	Nix III (9) *Cwynar (7) *Tuitt (1)	Johnson (35) Lynch (4) *Shembo (1)	Fleming (33)	Fox (11) Calabrese (8)	Te'o (34)	Smith, H. (14) Shembo (7) Niklas (1)	Blanton (23)	Smith, H. (31)	Slaughter (15) Motta (13)	Gray (31)

* indicates Irish 4-2-5 alignment against Navy on Oct. 29, 2011

REBOUNDED FROM TOUGH START

► Notre Dame was one of 24 FBS teams that opened the 2011 season with an 0-2 record. The Irish (8-3), Western Kentucky (6-5) and Georgia (9-2) are the only teams of that group that have rebounded and own a winning record at this stage of the season.
 ► Notre Dame's eight victories in its nine games following the 0-2 start is the second-best mark of any team that opened the season with two straight defeats.
 ► The Bulldogs have captured all nine of its games.

IRISH RETURN 51 MONOGRAM WINNERS, 17 STARTERS

► Notre Dame opened fall practice with 51 returning monogram winners from 2010 – 21 on offense, 25 on defense and five on special teams.

Number (Breakdown)	Year
51 (21 on offense, 25 on defense, five specialists)	2011
44 (21 on offense, 20 on defense, three specialists)	2009
42 (21 on offense, 18 on defense, three specialists)	2010
37 (20 on offense, 17 on defense)	2008
37 (15 on offense, 20 on defense, two specialists)	2006
36 (20 on offense, 14 on defense, two specialists)	2005
30 (10 on offense, 18 on defense, two specialists)	2007

► Notre Dame had 12 players named to a major preseason award watch list. Only Alabama's 13 players on various watch lists bests the Fighting Irish dozen.

THE 2011 CAPTAINS

► Notre Dame reinstated an old tradition in 2010, designating captains on a game-by-game basis for only the third time in school history. Back in 1946, legendary head coach Frank Leahy elected to choose captains for each game – the result was an 8-0-1 record and the fifth of Notre Dame's 11 national championships. The Irish also designated captains on a game-by-game basis from 2002-04 as well, but the team voted on season captains following the regular season.

► Senior S **Harrison Smith** is Notre Dame's lone season captain. He is the first Irish lone season captain since 1999 when Jarious Jackson held the individual honor. The other single individual captains for Notre Dame in the last 40 years include Rodney Culver (1991) and Mike Kovaleski (1986).

► In addition to Smith, the Irish will continue to name gameday captains. The 2011 gameday captains have been as follows:

USF: Robert Blanton and Trevor Robinson

Michigan: Zack Martin

Michigan State: Ethan Johnson

Pittsburgh: Taylor Dever

Purdue: Tyler Eifert

Air Force: Jonas Gray

USC: Manti Te'o and Cierre Wood

Navy: Chris Salvi

Wake Forest: Robert Blanton

Maryland: Darius Fleming

Boston College: Remaining seniors

TAILS IT IS

► Notre Dame opened each of its first 11 games in 2010 with the football. In 2011, the Irish have won the coin toss and elected to receive against USF, Michigan State, Air Force and USC.

► Notre Dame has actually opened 18 of its last 24 games with the football. The only exceptions? Notre Dame won the coin toss against USC in '10, Michigan in '11, Purdue in '11 and Wake Forest in '11, but elected to defer each time. Navy won the toss and elected to receive on Oct. 29 as did Maryland on Nov. 12.

**Notre Dame
Probable Starting Lineup**

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
WR	7	TJ Jones – So.	Tied for third on the team with three TD receptions; Has 357 yards receiving on 36 catches in 2011
WR	9	Robby Toma – Jr.	Slot receiver in the mold of Wes Welker; Career-best seven catches for career-high 73 yards against Maryland
LT	70	Zack Martin – Jr.	24 straight starts the past two years (22 at LT, two at RT); Most Valuable Lineman in Hyundai Sun Bowl
LG	66	Chris Watt – Jr.	Saw action in all 13 games in '10 as a reserve; Has started all 11 games in 2011
C	57	Mike Golic Jr. – Sr.	Son of Mike Golic, former Irish and NFL defensive lineman; registered first career start against Maryland
RG	78	Trevor Robinson – Sr.	Has played in 46 career games and made 38 starts, including the last 27 games
RT	75	Taylor Dever – Sr.	Has played in 40 career games and made 21 starts, including the last 17 games
WR	3	Michael Floyd – Sr.	On pace to become 9th WR in FBS history to crack top 25 in both career receiving TDs and career receiving yards
TE	80	Tyler Eifert – Jr.	Leads all FBS tight ends in rec. ranks rec./game, second in rec. yards/game and rec. yards
QB	11	Tommy Rees – So.	Owens a 12-2 record as a starting quarterback; on pace to become third ND QB with 3,000 yards in season
RB	20	Cierre Wood – Jr.	10th player in school history to rush for 1,000 yards in single season (16th different time)

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
DE	90	Ethan Johnson – Sr.	Played in first 43 games over Notre Dame career before missing four games; returned against Maryland
NG	9	Louis Nix III – So.	Registered career-high equaling six tackles in the rout of Maryland on Nov. 12
DE	7	Stephon Tuitt – Fr.	Recorded career-high seven tackles against USC and Navy; Missed Boston College game due to illness
OLB	45	Darius Fleming – Sr.	Leads Notre Dame with 15.0 career sacks and 31.5 career tackles for loss; Butkus Award candidate
ILB	5	Manti Te'o – Jr.	16 career games with 10 or more tackles (seven in 2011); Bednarik, Butkus, Lombardi and Nagurski candidate
ILB	48	Dan Fox – Jr.	Has started all 11 games of the 2011 season at ILB and recorded 42 tackles
OLB	55	Prince Shembo – So.	Started eight games in 2011, totaling 26 tackles and two sacks
CB	12	Robert Blanton – Sr.	2nd on team in tackles for loss (8.0) and third in tackles (63); 6th among FBS DBs in TFLs
S	26	Jamoris Slaughter – Jr.	Forced a fumble on Air Force's first offensive play and later added an interception (both turnovers set up TDs)
S	22	Harrison Smith – Sr.	Only player in ND history to register 200 or more tackles, 15.0 or more TFLs and 15 or more PBUs
CB	4	Gary Gray – Sr.	Has seen action in 44 career games, with 31 career starts, including each of the last 24 games

SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
PK	97	David Ruffer – Sr.	'10 Lou Groza Award finalist; owns school record for consecutive field goals made (23)
KO	27	Kyle Brindza – Fr.	Averaging 65.3 yards per kickoff on 66 attempts in 2011 with 10 touchbacks
P	35	Ben Turk – Jr.	Has served as Irish punter each of the last three years; Average of 40.0 yards over 40 punts in 2011
H	50	Ryan Kavanagh – Sr.	Executed 82 straight hold attempts in 2010 and 2011 combined before mishandling snap on FG attempt at Pitt
SSNP	60	Jordan Cowart – Jr.	Takes over short snapping duties for injured Braxton Cave
LSNP	50	Ryan Kavanagh – Sr.	Assumes long snapping responsibility as well as the holder on field goals and extra points
PR	3	Michael Floyd – Sr.	Recorded fair catches in only career punt return opportunities (Air Force, Navy and Maryland)
	81	John Goodman – Sr.	Averaging 0.6 yards per punt return on eight attempts in 2011
KR	34	George Atkinson III – Fr.	One of five players in the FBS with at least two kickoff returns for touchdowns in 2011 (equals school record)
	28	Austin Collinsworth – So.	Son of Cris Collinsworth, former Cincinnati Bengals WR and now NFL analyst on NBC Sports
	2	Bennett Jackson – So.	Averaged 22.2 yards per return on 29 kickoffs in '10

KEY PROBABLE NON-STARTERS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
QB	10	Dayne Crist – Sr.	Started the first nine games in '10 before a season-ending knee injury; Maxwell and Davey O'Brien candidate
QB	12	Andrew Hendrix – So.	Rushed for 115 yards on eight carries, including 78-yard run in Irish debut against Air Force on Oct. 8
WR	81	John Goodman – Sr.	Has played in 33 career games and recorded 27 catches for 309 yards and one TD; also started four games
OT	74	Christian Lombard – So.	Played in first career game against USF
OG	76	Andrew Nuss – Sr.	Has played in 37 career games as reserve OL and on special teams, including all 13 in '10
TE	82	Alex Welch – So.	Picked up first career reception in rout of Navy on Oct. 29
TE	18	Ben Koyack – Fr.	Picked up first career reception in victory at Pittsburgh on Sept. 24
DE	19	Aaron Lynch – Fr.	Recorded five tackles, one for loss, a sack, forced fumble and six quarterback hurries against Michigan State
DE	50	Chase Hounshell – Fr.	Made four tackles, three assisted stops, in career debut on Oct. 8 against Air Force
NG	98	Sean Cwynar – Sr.	Started two games in 2011 and seven over career; 56 tackles in career, including 20 in 2011
NG	94	Hafis Williams – Sr.	Did not see any action in '08, but has played in 24 games as a reserve in '09, '10 and '11
OLB	1	Ishaq Williams – Fr.	Rated as 16th overall player by Rivals, 42nd in the ESPN Top 150 and 45th by <i>Sports Illustrated</i>
OLB	13	Danny Spond – So.	Saw action in eight games primarily on special teams in '10
OLB	58	Troy Niklas – Fr.	<i>LA Times</i> lineman of the year in '10; nephew of NFL Hall of Famer Bruce Matthews; first career start vs. MSU
ILB	44	Carlo Calabrese – Jr.	Fifth on the Irish with 60 tackles in '10, including 10 stops and 3.5 TFLs at Boston College
ILB	54	Anthony McDonald – Sr.	Battled injuries throughout career, but has appeared in 26 career games primarily on special teams
CB	2	Bennett Jackson – So.	Moved from WR to CB during spring practice; played in 13 games in '10 and made 10 tackles on special teams
CB	23	Lo Wood – So.	Registered first career interception against Maryland and returned 57 yards for a touchdown
S	17	Zeke Motta – Jr.	13th career start against Boston College; career-high 11 tackles and interception vs. Michigan State in 2010
PK	40	Nick Tausch – Jr.	Converted 14 straight FG in 2009 to break Mike Johnson's then school record of 13 (1982)

Fighting Irish In The NFL

AFC

Baltimore Ravens

SS Tom Zbikowski

Buffalo Bills

OT Sam Young

Denver Broncos

SS David Bruton

S Kyle McCarthy*

QB Brady Quinn

Miami Dolphins

TE Anthony Fasano

New England Patriots

DB Sergio Brown

Pittsburgh Steelers

WR Arnaz Battle

NFC

Atlanta Falcons

DB Darrin Walls

Carolina Panthers

QB Jimmy Clausen

LS J. J. Jansen

Chicago Bears

RB Armando Allen Jr.*

Detroit Lions

WR Maurice Stovall

Green Bay Packers

RB Ryan Grant

Minnesota Vikings

TE Kyle Rudolph

C John Sullivan

New Orleans Saints

DB Terrail Lambert*

New York Giants

DE Justin Tuck

Philadelphia Eagles

DE Victor Abiamiri^

OT Ryan Harris

DT Trevor Laws

San Francisco 49ers

NG Ian Williams

Seattle Seahawks

TE John Carlson^

WR Golden Tate

Tampa Bay Buccaneers

C Jeff Faine

Washington Redskins

OL Eric Olsen*

^ - injured reserve list

* - practice squad

- physically unable to perform list

ONLY THE BIG BOYS

► Notre Dame is one of just three NCAA FBS programs to have not faced a non-FBS opponent since the current setup was established in 1978. The two other remaining schools that have yet to play a non-FBS opponent are USC and UCLA.

2011 NOTRE DAME OPPONENT UPDATE

► Notre Dame and USC were the only two FBS schools to face an opponent from a Bowl Championship Series automatic qualifying conference over the first five weeks of the 2011 campaign.

► Even more remarkable, only 17 schools faced two such opponents over the first two games of '11 and only four of those 17 schools compete in a BCS AQ conference – Maryland, Miami, Fla., Wake Forest and USC. Not one member from the SEC, Big Ten, BIG EAST or Big 12 could make such a claim.

► Two of Notre Dame's losses have come by a combined seven points – 23-20 vs. USF and 35-31 at Michigan – and its third loss came to a 9-2 USC squad. The trio of foes have a combined record of 23-9 this season.

► According to the NCAA, no Football Bowl Subdivision school played a tougher regular season schedule based on opposition win-loss percentage than Notre Dame in 2010. Irish opponents had a combined record of 80-43 (.650).

► Notre Dame's No. 1 ranking in the NCAA strength-of-schedule standings was its highest since a No. 1 ranking in 1995. The .650 winning percentage of Irish opponents made for its strongest schedule faced in 21 years – since a .655 percentage when Notre Dame finished tops in the toughest-schedule derby in 1989.

► The Irish have a long history of playing challenging schedules – with Notre Dame ranking (since the NCAA began this rating in 1977) first in 1978, 1985, 1987, 1989, 1995 and 2010; third in 1986, 1999, 2003; and fourth in 1979 and 1990. That makes for 11 top-four finishes in that category in the 34 years the NCAA has calculated these numbers.

► This season could prove to be just as tough as the Irish face nine teams that went to bowl games last year and 10 teams that finished with a winning record. The following is a list of 2011 Notre Dame opponents and how they fared last week:

Opponent	'11 Record	Last Week (Result)
USF	5-5	L, 3-6 vs. Miami, Fla.
at Michigan	9-2	W, 45-17 vs. No. 18 Nebraska
Michigan State	9-2	W, 55-3 vs. Indiana
at Pittsburgh	5-5	W, 21-14 at Louisville (Nov. 12)
at Purdue	5-6	L, 21-31 vs. Iowa
Air Force	6-5	W, 45-17 vs. UNLV
USC	9-2	W, 38-35 at No. 4 Oregon
Navy	4-7	L, 24-27 at San Jose State
at Wake Forest	6-5	W, 31-10 vs. Maryland
vs. Maryland	2-9	L, 10-31 at Wake Forest
Boston College	3-8	L, 14-16 at Notre Dame
at Stanford	10-1	W, 31-28 vs. California

Notre Dame 2011 Opponents' Combined Record: 73-57 (.562)

NOTRE DAME FIRSTS

► Notre Dame has played a total of 10 freshmen in 2011 and another nine sophomores that did not see game action as rookies in 2010. In all, the Irish have used 19 first-year players this season.

First-Year Players in 2011

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown (High School)
34	George Atkinson III	RB	6-1 1/4	200	Fr.	Stockton, CA/Granada
43	Josh Atkinson	CB	5-11 1/2	185	Fr.	Stockton, CA/Granada
27	Kyle Brindza	K/P	6-1	219	Fr.	Canton, MI/Plymouth
51	Bruce Heggie	C/OG	6-5	280	So.	Sorrento, FL/Mount Dora
12	Andrew Hendrix	QB	6-2	220	So.	Cincinnati, OH/Moeller
50	Chase Hounshell	DE	6-4 1/4	265	Fr.	Kirtland, OH/Lake Catholic
18	Ben Koyack	TE	6-5	253	Fr.	Oil City, PA/Oil City
74	Christian Lombard	OT	6-5	301	So.	Inverness, IL/Fremd
19	Aaron Lynch	DE	6-6	265	Fr.	Cape Coral, FL/Island Coast
14	Luke Massa	WR	6-4	220	So.	Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier
33	Cam McDaniel	RB	5-9 3/4	192	Fr.	Coppell, TX/Coppell
8	Kendall Moore	ILB	6-1	242	So.	Raleigh, NC/Southeast Raleigh
64	Tate Nichols	OT	6-8	320	So.	Walton, KY/Ryle
58	Troy Niklas	OLB	6-6.5	250	Fr.	Fullerton, CA/Servite
9	Louis Nix III	NG	6-3	326	So.	Jacksonville, FL/Raines
7	Stephon Tuitt	DE	6-6 1/4	295	Fr.	Monroe, GA/Monroe
53	Justin Utupo	ILB	6-1	251	So.	Lakewood, CA/Lakewood
82	Alex Welch	TE	6-4	245	So.	Cincinnati, OH/Elder
1	Ishaq Williams	OLB	6-5	255	Fr.	Brooklyn, NY/Lincoln

► Senior C **Mike Golic Jr.** registered his first career start for Notre Dame on Nov. 12 against Maryland.

► Senior RB **Jonas Gray** recorded his first career 100-yard rushing game in the rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. Gray ran for 136 yards on 21 carries and added two touchdowns. He has 12 rushing touchdowns this season, which is the most by an Irish running back since Autry Denson had 15 in 1998.

► Gray became the first Irish running back with three rushing touchdowns in the same game (Oct. 29 vs. Navy) since Travis Thomas had three against the Midshipmen on Nov. 3, 2007. He became the first player with three rushing TDs in a non-overtime game since Darius Walker had three against Ohio State in the 2006 Fiesta Bowl. Gray also was the first Notre Dame player with three rushing TDs in a regular season game since Raeshon Powers-Neal at Pittsburgh on Sept. 3, 2005. He has now registered at least one rushing touchdown in five straight games. Gray is the first Irish running back with a touchdown run in five consecutive games since Ryan Grant in 2002.

► Senior WR **Michael Floyd** recorded his first career rushing touchdown against Navy on Oct. 29 that pushed the Irish lead to 42-7.

► **Atkinson III** collected his second kickoff return for touchdown on Oct. 22 against USC. He registered a 96-yard kickoff return for a touchdown – the longest at Notre Dame Stadium since Julius Jones went 100 yards against Nebraska on Sept. 9, 2000. It also was the tied for the fifth-longest in Notre Dame Stadium history. Atkinson III was the first Irish player to have multiple kickoff returns for touchdowns in the same season since Allen Rossum in 1997.

► The two touchdown kickoff returns in a single-season equals the Notre Dame school record. Atkinson is the second Notre Dame freshman to ever return two kickoffs for touchdowns in the same season. Raghib "Rocket" Ismail had a pair in 1988.

► Atkinson was the fourth FBS player to register a pair of kickoff returns for touchdowns in 2011.

► Sophomore QB **Andrew Hendrix** made his debut in an Irish uniform against Air Force. Hendrix completed four of four passes for 33 yards. He also finished with 111 yards rushing on six carries, which was the most rushing yards by an Irish quarterback since Carlyle Holiday had 130 yards on Oct. 13, 2001, against West Virginia. The 111 yards on the ground is the sixth-most ever by a Notre Dame signal caller. Hendrix was the first Irish quarterback to run for 100 yards since Holiday on Oct. 27, 2001, at Boston College. His 78-yard run was the second-longest in school history by a Notre Dame quarterback.

► Junior WR **Robby Toma** collected his first career touchdown reception against Air Force. Toma hauled in a 10-yard pass from Rees with 4:07 to go in the first quarter to give the Irish a 21-3 lead.

► Freshman RB **George Atkinson III** collected his first career touchdown run against Air Force. Atkinson III leapt into the end zone from one-yard out to make the score, 59-19, in favor of Notre Dame. Twin brother DB **Josh Atkinson** also made his Irish debut against the Falcons.

► Freshman DE **Chase Hounshell** made his first appearance for Notre Dame against Air Force and registered four tackles.

► Freshman DE **Aaron Lynch** and freshman TE **Ben Koyack** both made their first career starts against Air Force.

► A number of Irish players established firsts in the 38-10 rout of Purdue on Oct. 1. Freshman RB **Cam McDaniel** not only made his first career appearance, but the rookie registered his first career carry. Freshman RB **George Atkinson III** picked up his first career reception – a 10-yard screen pass. Sophomore WR **Luke Massa** made his first career appearance. Sophomore DE **Kona Schwenke**, senior QB **Matt Mulvey** and senior WR **Deion Walker** each saw their first game action of 2011.

► Senior RB **Jonas Gray** certainly made the most of his first career rushing touchdown. He raced 79 yards for a touchdown to give the Irish a 7-3 lead at Pittsburgh. The 79-yard run was the longest by an Irish player since Terrance Howard went 80 yards for a touchdown at West Virginia on Oct. 21, 2000.

► Freshman TE **Ben Koyack**, from Oil City, Pa., registered his first career reception against Pittsburgh. Koyack hauled in a five-yard pass on Notre Dame's opening drive of the game.

**Irish Among
2011 National Leaders**

Category	Rank	Stat	National Leader	Stat
Rushing Offense	41st	175.91	Army	350.91
Passing Offense	35th	258.64	Houston	447.45
Total Offense	33rd	434.55	Houston	618.27
Scoring Offense	37th	32.00	Houston	53.09
Rushing Defense	54th	142.64	Alabama	74.64
Pass Efficiency Defense	48th	123.87	Alabama	84.79
Total Defense	28th	341.45	Alabama	195.91
Scoring Defense	22nd	20.27	Alabama	8.36
Net Punting	101st	34.24	Florida State	42.50
Punt Returns	120th	.30	Ole Miss	20.45
Kickoff Returns	25th	23.87	UCF	27.53
Turnover Margin	116th	-1.09	LSU	1.64
Pass Defense	31st	198.82	Alabama	121.27
Passing Efficiency	53rd	135.55	Baylor	192.09
Sacks	64th	1.82	Texas A&M	3.73
Tackles For Loss	76th	5.27	USF	8.80
Sacks Allowed	7th	.73	Middle Tennessee	.60

Rushing		Passing Efficiency	
Cierre Wood	37th	91.00	Tommy Rees
Jonas Gray	77th	71.91	46th
			137.50

Total Offense		Receptions Per Game	
Tommy Rees	44th	239.09	Michael Floyd
			9th
			7.91
			Tyler Eifert
			t-73rd
			4.82

Receiving Yards Per Game		Punting	
Michael Floyd	22nd	92.18	Ben Turk
Tyler Eifert	97th	57.64	67th
			39.98

Kickoff Returns		Field Goals	
George Atkinson III	15th	27.81	David Ruffer
			t-61st
			0.91

Scoring		All-Purpose Runners	
David Ruffer	t-91st	6.64	Cierre Wood
Jonas Gray	t-98th	6.55	85th
			106.91

Tackles		Tackles for Loss	
Manti Te'o	t-28th	9.36	Manti Te'o
			t-65th
			1.05

**Irish Among
Active Career National Leaders**

Category	Rank	Player
Receiving Touchdowns	3	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Field Goal Percentage	3	David Ruffer, Notre Dame
Receiving Yards	4	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Receptions	6	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Receiving Yards/Game	7	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Receptions/Game	8	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Kickoff Return Touchdowns	13	George Atkinson III, Notre Dame
Touchdowns	13	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame
Tackles/Game	13	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame
Completion Percentage	15	Tommy Rees, Notre Dame
Solo Tackles	15	Harrison Smith, Notre Dame
Solo Tackles for Loss	16	Darius Fleming, Notre Dame
Assisted Tackles	17	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame
Punt Return Touchdowns	18	Robert Blanton, Notre Dame
Assisted Sacks	19	Ethan Johnson, Notre Dame

2011 Irish Honors/Awards

George Atkinson, Fr., RB

- ▶ FBS Independent Special Teams Player of the Week (Oct. 23)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards National Kickoff Returner of the Week (Oct. 23)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards National Kickoff Returner of the Week (Sept. 18)
- ▶ FBS Independent Special Teams Player of the Week (Sept. 18)

Robert Blanton, Sr., CB

- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Defensive Back (Sept. 18)
- ▶ FBS Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Sept. 18)

Kyle Brindza, Fr., PK

- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Kickoff Specialist (Oct. 23)

Braxton Cave, Sr., C

- ▶ Rimington Trophy Watch List

Dayne Crist, Sr., QB

- ▶ Maxwell Award Watch List
- ▶ Davey O'Brien Trophy Watch List

Austin Collinworth, So., S

- ▶ Independent Special Teams Player of the Week (Nov. 7)

Tyler Eifert, Jr., TE

- ▶ Mackey Award Finalist
- ▶ Mackey Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Mackey Award Watch List
- ▶ Sporting News' Midseason All-American First Team
- ▶ Phil Steele Midseason All-American First Team
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards National Tight End of the Week (Nov. 13)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Tight End (Nov. 6)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Tight End (Oct. 23)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Tight End (Oct. 9)
- ▶ FBS Independent Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 25)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards National Tight End of the Week (Sept. 25)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Tight End (Sept. 5)

Darius Fleming, Sr., LB

- ▶ Butkus Award Watch List

Michael Floyd, Sr., WR

- ▶ Biletnikoff Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Phil Steele Midseason All-American Second Team
- ▶ Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- ▶ Walter Camp Award Watch List
- ▶ Maxwell Award Watch List
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Wide Receiver (Sept. 5)
- ▶ FBS Independent Co-Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 5)
- ▶ FBS Independent Offensive Player of the Week (Sept. 12)
- ▶ FBS Independent Offensive Player of the Week (Oct. 31)

Jonas Gray, Sr., RB

- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Running Back (Oct. 30)

Ethan Johnson, Sr., DE

- ▶ Hendricks Award Watch List

Kapron Lewis-Moose, Sr., DE

- ▶ Hendricks Award Watch List

Zack Martin, Jr., OT

- ▶ Outland Trophy Watch List

Tommy Rees, So., QB

- ▶ FBS Independent Offensive Player of the Week (Nov. 14)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Quarterback (Oct. 9)
- ▶ FBS Independent Offensive Player of the Week (Oct. 11)

David Ruffer, Sr., PK

- ▶ FBS Independent Special Teams Player of the Week (Nov. 21)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Place Kicker (Nov. 20)
- ▶ FBS Independent Special Teams Player of the Week (Nov. 14)
- ▶ Lou Groza Award Watch List

Jamoris Slaughter, Sr., S

- ▶ FBS Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 11)

Harrison Smith, Sr., S

- ▶ Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Nov. 7)
- ▶ Phil Steele Midseason All-American Third Team
- ▶ Nagurski Trophy Watch List
- ▶ Thorpe Award Watch List

Manti Te'o, Jr., LB

- ▶ Lombardi Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Lott Trophy Semifinalist
- ▶ Butkus Award Semifinalist
- ▶ Phil Steele Midseason All-American First Team
- ▶ FBS Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Nov. 21)
- ▶ FBS Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 31)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Linebacker (Oct. 30)
- ▶ FBS Independent Defensive Player of the Week (Oct. 3)
- ▶ Bednarik Award Watch List
- ▶ Butkus Award Watch List
- ▶ Rotary Lombardi Award Watch List
- ▶ Nagurski Trophy Watch List

Cierre Wood, Jr., RB

- ▶ FBS Independent Co-Offensive Player of the Week (Oct. 3)
- ▶ College Football Performance Awards Honorable Mention Running Back (Oct. 2)
- ▶ Walker Award Watch List
- ▶ Hornung Award Watch List

▶ Freshman OLB **Troy Niklas** made his first career start in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State.

▶ A pair of freshman — RB **George Atkinson III** and DE **Aaron Lynch** — played critical roles in the Irish victory over the Spartans.

▶ Atkinson returned a kickoff 89 yards for a touchdown to give Notre Dame a 14-3 lead with 1:20 remaining in the first quarter. He was the first Irish freshman to return a kickoff for a touchdown since

Raghib "Rocket" Ismail had two kickoff returns for touchdown against Rice on Nov. 6, 1988. Atkinson was the first Notre Dame player to return a kickoff for a touchdown since **Armando Allen Jr.** raced 96 yards for a score against Hawai'i in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl. He recorded the first kickoff return for a touchdown by an Irish player at Notre Dame Stadium since **Julius Jones** against No. 1 Nebraska on Sept. 9, 2000.

▶ Lynch — seeing the most playing time to that point of his Irish career — absolutely dominated his counterparts on the Michigan State offensive line. He recorded six quarterback hurries, one sack, a forced fumble and five tackles.

▶ Freshman TE **Ben Koyack** and sophomore LB **Justin Utupo** made their first career appearances at Michigan.

▶ Junior OG **Chris Watt**, junior ILB **Dan Fox** and sophomore OLB **Prince Shembo** all registered their first career start in the season opener against USF.

▶ The Irish played a total of six freshmen against USF: OLB **Ishaq Williams**, DE **Stephon Tuitt**, DE **Aaron Lynch**, K **Kyle Brindza**, RB **George Atkinson III** and OLB **Troy Niklas**.

▶ The following Notre Dame players, excluding freshmen, made their first career appearance against the Bulls: ILB **Kendall Moore**, NG **Louis Nix III**, OT **Christian Lombard** and TE **Alex Welch**.

HEARTBREAK CITY

▶ Two of Notre Dame's three losses have come by a combined seven points — 23-20 vs. USF and 35-31 at Michigan.

▶ Five of second-year head coach Brian Kelly's eight losses at Notre Dame have come by a combined 15 points.

▶ Notre Dame regained a 31-28 lead with 30 seconds left in the fourth quarter at Michigan. Had the Irish held on, the touchdown would have been the sixth-latest gamewinning touchdown in school history (excluding overtime), but Michigan added a touchdown with two seconds left to secure the victory.

▶ The Wolverines' touchdown was the latest a Notre Dame foe has ever recorded a winning touchdown in regulation. The previous mark was Matt Leinart's one-yard sneak for USC in 2005 (0:03).

▶ The game with Michigan marked the 15th time in the program's history that a game involving Notre Dame has had the winning points scored with three seconds or less in a game (seven wins, eight losses).

▶ Amazingly, in Notre Dame's eight losses with less than three seconds left in regulation, the Irish actually scored a touchdown to take the lead in the final 1:32 of the contests six times, including the touchdown reception by junior WR **Theo Riddick** with 30 seconds left against Michigan.

▶ The game marked the first in school history that featured a Notre Dame go-ahead touchdown in the final minute only to also include an opponent go-ahead touchdown. The other two games in school history the Irish took a lead in the final minute and lost came with field goals — Remy Hamilton's 42-yarder with two seconds left to give Michigan a 26-24 victory in 1994 and Frank Jordan's 37-yarder with two seconds left to give USC a 27-25 triumph in 1978.

GREAT FOR TELEVISION

▶ Notre Dame has appeared on national or regional television in 233 consecutive games entering this weekend.

▶ The Irish have made 352 appearances on network television — more than any other school and more than the next two combined.

► Notre Dame has become accustomed to nailbiting finishes. In addition to each of the first two games in 2011, at Pittsburgh, at Wake Forest and again against Boston College, the Irish have been involved in 20 games decided by seven points or less since the start of the 2009 campaign. In fact, 14 of the last 20 losses for the Irish have been decided by a touchdown or less, including seven by a field goal or less.

► Notre Dame has played in 56 games in the 123-year history of the program where the winning points have occurred in overtime or the game's final minute of regulation. Amazingly, 11 have come in the past five years alone.

► Notre Dame has had five games in 2011 decided by a touchdown or less. Here is a listing of FBS teams with at least five games decided by a total of 19 points or less.

Team	Games	Total Points
Duke	5 (2-3)	12
Navy	5 (1-4, 1 OT)	15
South Carolina	5 (4-1)	16
Colorado State	5 (2-3, one OT)	18
San Jose State	5 (2-3)	18
Illinois	5 (3-2)	19
Notre Dame	5 (3-2)	19

► Here is a listing of FBS teams with at least five games decided by one score.

Team	Games	Total Points
Kansas State	8 (7-1)	36
Louisville	7 (2-5)	37
Utah State	7 (3-4, one OT)	27
Louisiana Tech	6 (3-3, two OT)	26
Syracuse	6 (4-2, 3 in OT)	30
Wake Forest	6 (3-3)	30
Duke	5 (2-3)	12
Navy	5 (1-4, 1 OT)	15
South Carolina	5 (4-1)	16
San Jose State	5 (2-3)	18
Colorado State	5 (2-3, one OT)	18
Illinois	5 (3-2)	19
Notre Dame	5 (3-2)	19
Idaho	5 (1-4)	20
Texas A&M	5 (1-4)	20
Penn State	5 (4-1)	21
Central Michigan	5 (2-3)	22
Ohio State	5 (2-3 one OT)	24

NEVER A DRY MOMENT

► Notre Dame Stadium was evacuated due to inclement weather and lightning just moments after halftime in the season opener against USF. The first half ended at 5:12 p.m. ET. The game resumed at 7:22 p.m. The contest was delayed two hours and 10 minutes at halftime. The game was halted a second time in the fourth quarter for a total of 43 minutes. In all, the game was suspended for two hours and 53 minutes, lasted five hours and 59 minutes and ended at 9:39 p.m. ET.

► It is believed to be the first weather related delay in Notre Dame history – home or away.

► According to Steve Boda, long-time NCAA statistics staffer and a particular expert on Notre Dame football history, the closest a Notre Dame game came to being postponed by weather was the 1923 season finale at St. Louis University. The game was played on Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 29). There was a drenching, non-stop rain and the field was ankle-deep in mud. Knute Rockne proposed the game be postponed until the following day, but there already were 9,000 fans in attendance and St. Louis did not agree. The game went on as scheduled, Notre Dame won 13-0 and the teams combined for 22 fumbles in the game.

► The game officially goes into the record books as the longest in terms of time in school history. Longest recent Notre Dame games included the 4:01 quadruple overtime loss at home to Pitt in 2008 and another 4:01 marathon in the 44-41 overtime defeat to Michigan State at home in 2005.

FIRST-YEAR SUCCESS

► **Brian Kelly** was one of 22 head coaches at the FBS level that took over new programs in 2010. Out of the that group, Kelly was one of just five coaches that produced at least eight wins and one of just four that led their teams to a bowl victory. Jimbo Fisher at Florida State led the group with 10 wins, while three other coaches, Skip Holtz at USF, Lane Kiffin at USC and Tommy Tuberville at Texas Tech, each secured eight victories. Out of the five coaches who won at least eight games, only Kelly, Fisher and Holtz exceeded their team's win total from the previous season. Kelly, Holtz, Tuberville and Louisville's Charlie Strong were the coaches that won bowl games.

► Notre Dame has had 15 different head coaches, including Brian Kelly, walk the sidelines in the all-time series with rival USC. Kelly became the first Irish head coach to knock off the Trojans in his first meeting since Lou Holtz.

► The other six coaches to knock off USC in their first matchup: Hugh Devore (1963), Joe Kuharich (1959), Terry Brennan (1954), Frank Leahy (1941), Elmer Layden (1934) and Knute Rockne (1926).

► Kelly became the first Irish coach in school history to capture a bowl game in his inaugural season with Notre Dame.

**Eye On
Career Records**

Rushing Yards - Game (Quarterback)

1. Bill Etter	146-11	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1969
2. Tony Rice	141-26	at Penn State, Nov. 18, 1989
3. Carlyle Holiday	130-30	vs. West Virginia, Oct. 13, 2001
4. Carlyle Holiday	122-19	vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 6, 2001
5. Andrew Hendrix	111-6	vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011
6. Carlyle Holiday	109-22	at Boston College, Oct. 27, 2001
7. Arnaz Battle	107-14	vs. Nebraska, Sept. 9, 2000
Jarious Jackson	107-15	vs. Oklahoma, Oct. 2, 1999
Tony Rice	107-14	vs. Stanford, Oct. 1, 1988
10. Paul Hornung	101-11	vs. SMU, Sept. 22, 1956

Avg. per Rush - Season (min. 100 attempts)

1. George Gipp	8.1 (1920)
2. Reggie Brooks	8.0 (1992)
3. John Panelli	7.5 (1948)
Marchy Schwartz	7.5 (1930)
5. Don Miller	7.1 (1924)
6. Jonas Gray	6.9 (2011)
George Gipp	6.9 (1919)

Rushing Touchdowns - Game

1. Art Smith	7	vs. Loyola (Chicago), Oct. 28, 1911
2. Bill Downs	6	vs. DePauw, Nov. 4, 1905
3. Allen Pinkett	4	vs. Penn State, Nov. 17, 1984
Allen Pinkett	4	at Penn State, Nov. 12, 1983
Frank Lonergan	4	vs. Chi. Phys./Surg., Oct. 29, 1903
Frank Lonergan	4	vs. DePauw, Oct. 17, 1903
7. Jonas Gray	3	vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011
Travis Thomas	3	vs. Navy, Nov. 3, 2007
Rashon Powers-Neal	3	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 3, 2005
Julius Jones	3	vs. BYU, Nov. 15, 2003
Reggie Brooks	3	at USC, Nov. 28, 1992
Reggie Brooks	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1992
Louis Salmon	3	vs. Lake Forest, Oct. 11, 1902

Rushing Touchdowns - Season

1. Vagas Ferguson	17 (1979)
Allen Pinkett	17 (1984)
3. Bill Downs	16 (1905)
Allen Pinkett	16 (1983)
Jerome Bettis	16 (1991)
6. Autry Denson	15 (1998)
7. Bob Gladioux	14 (1968)
8. Reggie Brooks	13 (1992)
9. Jonas Gray	12 (2011)
Al Hunter	12 (1976)
Autry Denson	12 (1997)

Pass Attempts - Game

1. Terry Hanratty	63	at Purdue, Sept. 30, 1967
2. Brady Quinn	60	vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2005
3. Brady Quinn	59	at Purdue, Sept. 27, 2003
4. Joe Theismann	58	at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
5. Dayne Crist	55	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
6. Tommy Rees	54	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
7. Brady Quinn	52	vs. Florida State, Nov. 1, 2003
8. Jimmy Clausen	51	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
9. Jimmy Clausen	48	at North Carolina, Oct. 11, 2008
Brady Quinn	48	vs. Michigan, Sept. 16, 2006

Eye On Career Records

Pass Attempts - Season

1. Brady Quinn	467 (2006)
2. Brady Quinn	450 (2005)
3. Jimmy Clausen	440 (2008)
4. Jimmy Clausen	425 (2009)
5. Tommy Rees	371 (2011)
6. Brady Quinn	353 (2004)
Brady Quinn	332 (2003)
8. Jarious Jackson	316 (1999)
9. Ron Powlus	298 (1997)
10. Dayne Crist	294 (2010)

Pass Attempts - Career

1. Brady Quinn	1,602 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	1,110 (2007-09)
3. Ron Powlus	969 (1994-97)
4. Steve Beuerlein	850 (1983-86)
5. Rick Mirer	698 (1989-92)
6. Blair Kiel	609 (1980-83)
7. Terry Hanratty	550 (1966-68)
8. Jarious Jackson	536 (1996-99)
9. Tommy Rees	535 (2010-)
10. Joe Montana	515 (1975-78)

Attempts per Game - Season

1. Brady Quinn	37.5 (450/12), 2005
2. Brady Quinn	35.9 (467/13), 2006
3. Jimmy Clausen	35.4 (425/12), 2009
4. Jimmy Clausen	33.8 (440/13), 2008
5. Tommy Rees	33.7 (371/11), 2011
6. Dayne Crist	32.7 (294/9), 2010
7. Brady Quinn	29.4 (353/12), 2004
8. Terry Hanratty	28.1 (197/7), 1968
9. Brady Quinn	27.7 (332/12), 2003

Attempts per Game - Career

1. Brady Quinn	32.7	(1602/49), 2003-06
2. Jimmy Clausen	31.7	(1110/35), 2007-09
3. Tommy Rees	26.8	(535/20), 2010-
4. Ron Powlus	21.9	(964/44), 1994-97
5. Terry Hanratty	21.2	(550/26), 1966-68
6. Dayne Crist	19.9	(338/17), 2008-

Completions - Game

1. Jimmy Clausen	37	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
2. Tommy Rees	33	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
Joe Theismann	33	at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
Brady Quinn	33	vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2005
5. Dayne Crist	32	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
Brady Quinn	32	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Jimmy Clausen	31	at North Carolina, Oct. 11, 2008
Ron Powlus	31	at Purdue, Sept. 13, 1997
9. Tommy Rees	30	vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011
Jimmy Clausen	30	vs. Connecticut, Nov. 21, 2009

EIGHT IS NOT ENOUGH, BUT

- **Brian Kelly** has won at least eight games in each of his first two seasons on the Notre Dame sidelines. Lou Holtz, Ara Parseghian, Frank Leahy and Knute Rockne — who combined to win 10 consensus national championships — failed to accomplish this feat.
- Kelly joins Charlie Weis, Dan Devine and Terry Brennan as the only Irish coaches to win eight or more games in each of their first two seasons at Notre Dame.

KELLY SQUADS KNOW HOW TO FINISH

- In his 21 years as a head coach, **Brian Kelly** led teams are at their best late in the year — 54-13 (.806) in November and 63-15 (.808) in November/December/January games combined.
- The last time a Brian Kelly coached team was on the losing end of a game in November or December was Nov. 17, 2007 — a 28-23 setback to West Virginia while coaching Cincinnati. Since then Kelly has run off 18 successive November/December wins, including all seven since joining the Notre Dame sideline.

KELLY'S WINNING WAYS

- In his two years at Notre Dame, **Brian Kelly** has helped the Irish secure a 15-2 record when entering halftime with a lead and 14-2 mark when leading after three quarters.
- Kelly is 159-10 in his coaching career when taking a lead into the fourth quarter and 95-4 since 2001. He owns a 147-12 record when taking a lead into halftime, including an 92-4 mark since 2001.
- Kelly registered his first victory at Notre Dame when trailing at halftime at Wake Forest on Nov. 5. The Irish had lost their five previous games when trailing at intermission under Kelly.
- Here are a couple other pretty remarkable win-loss records during Kelly's career:
 - Kelly is 12-2 coming off a bye week.
 - Kelly is 124-22 when scoring first.
 - Kelly is 150-22-1 when outrushing his opponent.
 - Kelly is 112-12 when his team wins the turnover battle.
 - Kelly is 35-14-2 in games decided by three points or less.
 - Kelly is 62-4-1 when his team gets a defensive or special teams touchdown.
 - Kelly is 54-13 in the month of November, including a 20-2 mark since 2006.
 - Kelly coached teams own an 14-game winning streak in the month of November.
 - Kelly is 121-7 when his team scores 30 or more points, including a 71-1 mark with 40 or more points.
 - Kelly is 119-5-1 when his team allows 19 points or less.
 - Kelly is 135-35-1 coming off a victory.
 - Kelly coached teams own a 57-game winning streak in games where they hold their opponents to less than 20 points. Kelly has not lost such a game since Dec. 8, 2001 when North Dakota edged Grand Valley State, 17-14, in the NCAA Division II title game.
- Since 2001, **Brian Kelly** has totaled the third-most wins among all active FBS coaches. Kelly is 110-32 over the last 11 seasons and trails only Bob Stoops (116-28) and Mack Brown (112-26) for the best coaching record this decade.

Winningest Active NCAA FBS Coaches (By Victories, Since 2001)

Name, School	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	116	28	0	.806
2. Mack Brown, Texas	112	26	0	.812
3. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	110	32	0	.775
4. Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	108	35	0	.755
5. Gary Patterson, TCU	106	30	0	.779
6. Mark Richt, Georgia	104	36	0	.743
7. Les Miles, LSU	99	38	0	.723
8. Nick Saban, Alabama	92	24	0	.793
9. Kirk Ferentz, Iowa	92	44	0	.676
10. Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech	90	48	0	.652

- Since 2006, Notre Dame head coach **Brian Kelly** has compiled the sixth-most wins of any active NCAA FBS coach. Kelly has gone on to win 59 contests (59-18 overall) over that span. The only coaches ahead of Kelly in that time frame are Chris Peterson of Boise State (69), Gary Patterson of TCU (63), Bob Stoops of Oklahoma (61), Frank Beamer of Virginia Tech (60) and Les Miles of LSU (60).

Winningest Active NCAA FBS Coaches (By Victories, Since 2006)

Name, School	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Chris Petersen, Boise State	69	6	0	.920
2. Gary Patterson, TCU	63	12	0	.840
3. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	61	17	0	.782
4. Les Miles, LSU	60	15	0	.800
Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	60	17	0	.779
6. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	59	18	0	.766
7. Bret Bielema, Wisconsin	58	18	0	.763
8. Bronco Mendenhall, BYU	57	18	0	.760
Kyle Whittingham, Utah	57	18	0	.760
10. Mack Brown, Texas	56	17	0	.767

► **Brian Kelly** ranks as the fifth-most successful active NCAA FBS coach in both winning percentage and victories. Here is a look at the top 10 winningest active coaches in the FBS (min. six years completed as FBS head coach, record at four-year colleges only):

Winningest Active NCAA FBS Coaches (By Percentage)

Name, School	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	13	136	33	0	.805
2. Gary Patterson, TCU	12	106	30	0	.779
3. Bobby Petrino, Arkansas	8	73	24	0	.753
4. Mark Richt, Georgia	11	104	36	0	.743
5. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	21	187	65	2	.740
6. Kyle Whittingham, Utah	7	64	23	0	.736
7. Bronco Mendenhall, BYU	7	63	24	0	.7241
8. Nick Saban, Alabama	16	143	54	2	.7236
9. Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	22	194	75	2	.720

Winningest Active NCAA FBS Coaches (By Victories)

Name, School	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	31	249	119	4	.675
2. Mack Brown, Texas	28	225	111	1	.669
3. Chris Ault, Nevada	27	223	101	1	.688
4. Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	22	194	75	2	.720
5. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	21	187	65	2	.740
6. Dennis Erickson, Arizona State	23	178	94	1	.654
7. Mike Price, UTEP	30	175	172	0	.504
8. Larry Blakeney, Troy	21	164	89	1	.648
9. Howard Schnellenberger, Florida Atlantic	27	157	149	3	.513

IRISH DOMINANT IN THE OPENING 15 MINUTES

- Notre Dame has scored on its opening possession of the contest in six of its last seven games, including five touchdowns.
- Notre Dame, which outgained USF (152-62), Michigan (145-27), Michigan State (95-36), Pittsburgh (72-31), Purdue (185-39), Navy (118-57), Maryland (148-48) and Boston College (133-43) in the first quarter, also racked up 191 total yards in the opening quarter against Air Force. Notre Dame has outgained its opponents of the 2011 season in the opening period by a 1,343-741 margin (despite the struggles in the opening quarter against USC on Oct. 22 when the Irish were outgained, 128-14).
- The Irish outgained their first six opponents and 10 of 11 foes overall in 2011 in the opening quarter by an average of 122-67.
- Notre Dame has averaged 6.9 yards per play in the first quarter this season, while its opponents averaged just 4.5 yards per play.
- Notre Dame has amassed at least 100 total yards in the opening quarter in seven of its 11 games. In fact, the Irish have recorded at least 130 total yards in six different first quarters this season.
- In the first quarter against Boston College on Nov. 19, the Irish averaged 6.3 yards per play, compared to 3.3 yards per play for the Eagles.
- Notre Dame registered seven first downs and limited Boston College to a pair.
- The 10 points scored by the Irish were the most in the opening quarter of Senior Day since 2001.
- The Irish averaged 6.2 yards per play, while Maryland averaged 3.4 yards per play in the first quarter.
- Notre Dame registered eight first downs and limited the Terps to just a pair.
- The 191 yards in the first quarter against Air Force on Oct. 8 were the most for Notre Dame in any quarter this season (186 in the 2nd quarter at Pittsburgh was the previous high). The 191 yards was the most for the Irish in any opening quarter under second-year head coach Brian Kelly.
- The 191 yards was the most for Notre Dame in an opening quarter since the Irish recorded 211 in the first quarter at Air Force on Nov. 11, 2006.
- Notre Dame averaged an absurd 9.1 yards per play in the opening quarter against Air Force.
- The Irish combined for 376 yards in the opening period in victories over Purdue and Air Force.
- The 185 yards in the first quarter against Purdue on Oct. 1 were the third-most for Notre Dame in any quarter this season (186 in the 2nd quarter at Pittsburgh and 191 in the first quarter against Air Force). The 185 yards were the most for the Irish in any opening quarter under second-year head coach Brian Kelly until that total was bested the next week against Air Force.
- Notre Dame averaged 7.1 yards per play and limited Purdue to 3.2 yards per play.
- Notre Dame averaged 5.6 yards per play and limited Michigan State to 2.8 yards per play.
- The Irish defense limited the Spartans to a pair of first downs and minus-one yard on eight carries in the opening quarter.
- Notre Dame averaged 8.5 yards per play and limited Michigan to 2.7 yards per play.
- The Irish averaged 8.0 yards per play while USF averaged 5.6 yards per play.

IRISH COME OUT OF LOCKER ROOM ON FIRE

- Notre Dame blanked Boston College in the third quarter. The Irish now have outscored its opponents, 77-13, in the third quarter in 2011.
- Notre Dame has shutout each of its last four foes (Navy, Wake Forest, Maryland and Boston College) in the third quarter and outscored the quartet 35-0 in the period.
- Notre Dame has held 10 of its 11 foes without an offensive score of any kind in the third quarter this season. Pittsburgh and USC are the only teams to register any points against the Irish in the opening period of the second half. The Panthers collected a touchdown (missed the ensuing two-point conversion attempt) drive that was extended only after a Notre Dame roughing the kicker penalty and the Trojans had a 80-yard fumble return for a touchdown.

Eye On Career Records

Completions - Season

1. Brady Quinn	292 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	289 (2009)
Brady Quinn	289 (2006)
4. Jimmy Clausen	268 (2008)
5. Tommy Rees	247 (2011)
6. Brady Quinn	191 (2004)
7. Jarious Jackson	184 (1999)
8. Ron Powlus	182 (1997)
9. Dayne Crist	174 (2010)
10. Brady Quinn	157 (2003)

Completions - Career

1. Brady Quinn	929 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	695 (2007-09)
3. Ron Powlus	558 (1994-97)
4. Steve Beuerlein	473 (1983-86)
5. Rick Mirer	377 (1989-92)
6. Tommy Rees	347 (2010-)
7. Jarious Jackson	306 (1996-99)
8. Terry Hanratty	304 (1966-68)
9. Blair Kiel	297 (1980-83)
10. Joe Theismann	290 (1968-70)

Consecutive Completions - Game

1. Tommy Rees	14	vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011
Brady Quinn	14	vs. Ohio State, Jan. 2, 2006*
Ron Powlus	14	vs. Michigan State, Sept. 20, 1997
4. Dayne Crist	12	vs. Pittsburgh, Sept. 9, 2010
Jarious Jackson	12	vs. Navy, Nov. 14, 1998
Brady Quinn	12	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Jimmy Clausen	11	vs. Washington State, Oct. 31, 2009
Brady Quinn	11	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 3, 2005
Brady Quinn	11	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2005

* Fiesta Bowl

Consecutive Completions - Year

1. Tommy Rees	14 (2011)
Ron Powlus	14 (1997)
Brady Quinn	14 (2005)
4. Dayne Crist	12 (2010)
Jimmy Clausen	12 (2009)
Jarious Jackson	12 (1998)
Brady Quinn	12 (2005)
8. Jimmy Clausen	11 (2009)
Ron Powlus	11 (1996)
Brady Quinn	11 (2005)
Brady Quinn	11 (2005)

Completions per Game - Season

1. Brady Quinn	24.3 (292/12), 2005
2. Jimmy Clausen	24.1 (289/12), 2009
3. Tommy Rees	22.5 (247/11), 2011
4. Brady Quinn	22.2 (289/13), 2006
5. Jimmy Clausen	20.6 (268/13), 2008
6. Dayne Crist	19.3 (174/9), 2010
7. Terry Hanratty	16.6 (116/7), 1968

Eye On Career Records

Completions per Game - Career

1. Jimmy Clausen	19.9	(695/35), 2007-09
2. Brady Quinn	19.0	(929/49), 2003-06
3. Tommy Rees	17.4	(347/20), 2008-
4. Ron Powlus	12.7	(558/44), 1994-97
5. Dayne Crist	11.7	(199/17), 2008-
Terry Hanratty	11.7	(304/26), 1966-68

Completion Percentage - Season (min. 100 att.)

1. Jimmy Clausen	68.0 (2009)
2. Tommy Rees	66.6 (2011)
3. Brady Quinn	64.9 (2005)
4. Brady Quinn	61.9 (2006)
5. Kevin McDougal	61.6 (1993)
6. Ron Powlus	61.1 (1997)
7. Tommy Rees	61.0 (2010)
8. Jimmy Clausen	60.9 (2008)
9. Steve Beuerlein	60.3 (1984)
10. Dayne Crist	59.2 (2010)

Completion Percentage - Career (min. 150 att.)

1. Tommy Rees	64.9 (2010-)
2. Jimmy Clausen	62.6 (2007-09)
3. Kevin McDougal	62.2 (1990-93)
4. Dayne Crist	58.9 (2008-)
5. Brady Quinn	58.0 (2003-06)
6. Ron Powlus	57.6 (1994-97)
7. Jarious Jackson	57.1 (1996-99)
8. Joe Theismann	57.0 (1968-70)
9. Steve Beuerlein	55.6 (1983-86)
10. Terry Hanratty	55.3 (1966-68)

Efficiency Rating - Career (min. 150 attempts)

1. Kevin McDougal	156.7 (1990-93)
2. Jarious Jackson	145.7 (1996-99)
3. John Huarte	144.7 (1962-64)
4. Rick Mirer	139.0 (1989-92)
5. Jimmy Clausen	137.2 (2007-09)
6. Joe Theismann	136.1 (1968-70)
7. Tommy Rees	135.8 (2010-)
8. Ron Powlus	135.6 (1994-97)
9. Brady Quinn	134.4 (2003-06)
10. Dayne Crist	127.0 (2008-)

Passing Yards - Season

1. Brady Quinn	3919 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	3722 (2009)
3. Brady Quinn	3426 (2006)
4. Jimmy Clausen	3172 (2008)
5. Jarious Jackson	2753 (1999)
6. Tommy Rees	2648 (2011)
7. Brady Quinn	2586 (2004)
8. Joe Theismann	2529 (1970)
9. Steve Beuerlein	2211 (1986)
10. Rick Mirer	2117 (1991)

- ▶ The 13 points allowed in the third quarter is the lowest for Notre Dame in any quarter by a wide margin (46 in the first, 67 in the second and 97 in the fourth).
- ▶ At this pace, the Irish will surrender 15 points in the third quarter this season, which would be the fewest points allowed in any quarter for Notre Dame since 1982. The Irish allowed 13 points in the opening quarter over the entire year.
- ▶ Here is a quick glimpse at the most dominant quarters in terms of points allowed in recent Notre Dame history (since 1968):

Year	Low Point Total (Quarter)	Year	Low Point Total (3rd Quarter)
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1970	0 (4th)	1971	7
1976	7 (1st)	1980	10
1971	7 (3rd and 4th)	1973	13
1980	10 (3rd)	1977	13
1973	10 (1st)	1969	21
1982	13 (1st)	1998	26
1977	13 (3rd)	1988	27
1988	16 (1st)	1989	29

2011	13 (3rd)	2011	13
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- ▶ Notre Dame limited Boston College to three first downs, 18 yards rushing and 49 total yards on 19 plays in the third quarter on Nov. 19. The Eagles managed just 2.6 yards per play and went 1-for-5 on third down.
- ▶ Notre Dame collected eight first downs, while Wake Forest managed three in the third quarter on Nov. 5. The Irish outgained Wake Forest, 160-60, including 78 (nine carries) to nine (nine carries) on the ground.
- ▶ Notre Dame allowed its second touchdown in the third quarter this season against USC on Oct. 22, mind you it was an 80-yard fumble return for a touchdown (after the Irish marched 90 yards on 17 plays to the Trojans' one-yard line).
- ▶ Notre Dame blanked Air Force in the third quarter on Oct. 8.
- ▶ The Irish collected touchdowns on five of their seven first-half possessions against Navy on Oct. 29.
- ▶ Notre Dame registered touchdowns on each of its first six possessions of the first half in the 59-33 rout of Air Force on Oct. 8.
- ▶ The 42 points in the opening half for the Irish against the Falcons were the most for the Irish in any half since Nov. 3, 1990, when Notre Dame registered 42 points in the second half against Navy (52-31).
- ▶ Notre Dame has not scored 42 points in an opening half since Nov. 11, 1989. The Irish registered 42 points in the first half of a 52-6 rout of SMU.
- ▶ The last time Notre Dame exceeded 42 points in any half was Nov. 5, 1977, against Georgia Tech. The Irish registered a second-half school record 48 points in a 69-14 rout of the Yellow Jackets.
- ▶ The last time Notre Dame exceeded 42 points in the first half was Nov. 4, 1968, against Pittsburgh. The Irish registered a modern day first-half school record 49 points in a 56-7 rout of the Panthers.
- ▶ The overall school record for points in a half is 111 against American Medical on Oct. 28, 1905.
- ▶ Notre Dame outgained Purdue, 185-39, in the first quarter and 157-53 in the third quarter.
- ▶ The Irish outscored Navy, 21-0, in the first and third quarters.
- ▶ Notre Dame outscored the Boilermakers, 28-0, in the first and third quarters.
- ▶ The Irish outscored Air Force, 28-3, in the first and third quarters.

NOTRE DAME OFFENSE, DEFENSE QUARTER-BY-QUARTER BREAKDOWN

- ▶ Notre Dame's 86 rushing yards in the first quarter against Maryland were the most yards on the ground in any first quarter this season.
- ▶ Notre Dame was outgained by Wake Forest in the first quarter (110-90) and first half (197-145). The Deacons were the second team to outgain the Irish in both the first quarter and first half, but Notre Dame regrouped at halftime and took control in the final two quarters.
- ▶ The Irish limited Wake Forest to 100 total yards, including just 20 on the ground, after halftime. The 100 total yards were the fewest Notre Dame has allowed in a single-half since the opening 20 minutes against Michigan on Sept. 10 (Wolverines managed only 90 yards).
- ▶ Wake Forest's 40 total yards in the fourth quarter were the fewest allowed by the Irish defense in a fourth quarter this season (previous low was 58 at Pittsburgh).
- ▶ Notre Dame's 160 yards in the third quarter against Wake Forest were the most in a third quarter this season for the Irish.
- ▶ The 14 total yards are the least for Notre Dame in any quarter this season.
- ▶ Notre Dame's 158 yards on the ground in the opening half at Purdue on Oct. 1 were the most in a half for the Irish this season. In fact, it was the most rushing yards in a half for Notre Dame under second-year head coach **Brian Kelly**. The previous single-half high for the Irish was 154 yards in the first half at Pittsburgh on Sept. 24.
- ▶ Notre Dame junior RB **Cierre Wood** had 101 yards on nine carries in the first half, including a 55-yard scoring run, against the Boilermakers, while senior RB **Jonas Gray** had 56 yards rushing on nine carries. Wood (69 yards on 16 rushes) and Gray (80 yards on two carries) totaled 149 yards in the opening half at Pittsburgh on Sept. 24.
- ▶ Notre Dame statistically dominated Michigan over the first two quarters and most of the third period. The Irish outgained the Wolverines, 145-27 and 123-63, in the opening 30 minutes (good for a halftime advantage in total yards of 268-90). Notre Dame then outgained Michigan, 142-51, in the third quarter before Denard Robinson's 77-yard pass completion with an Irish nearly defender pulling him down for a sack in the process. Notre Dame led 24-7 with just under two minutes left in the period and had outgained the Wolverines, 410-141, prior to that long pass play.
- ▶ Michigan then exploded for 28 points and 229 yards in the fourth quarter alone. The Wolverines managed just 223 over the first three periods and 120 of those 223 yards came on two plays. The Wolverines managed just 103 yards on their other 33 plays in the first three quarters (an average of 3.1 yards per play).

► Notre Dame statistically dominated USF in three of four quarters in the season opener. The Irish out-gained the Bulls, 152-62, in the first quarter but trailed 13-0. USF's touchdown came on a 96-yard fumble return and its two field goals were assisted by a 23-yard Notre Dame punt and 34-yard punt return set up great field position. The two Bulls' scoring drives in the first quarter totaled 80 yards.

► The Irish also outgained USF in the third quarter, 159-48, and fourth quarter, 156-24. USF held an advantage in the second quarter, 82-39.

Notre Dame Quarter-by-Quarter Yardage Breakdown

	1st Quarter			2nd Quarter			3rd Quarter			4th Quarter		
	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total
vs. USF	67	85	152	29	10	39	19	140	159	2	156	158
at Michigan	51	94	145	51	72	123	90	52	142	6	97	103
vs. MSU	75	20	95	37	63	100	7	74	81	-5	4	-1
at Pittsburgh	45	27	72	109	77	186	16	31	47	12	81	93
at Purdue	75	110	185	83	46	129	75	82	157	54	26	80
vs. Air Force	48	143	191	57	84	141	41	36	77	120	31	151
vs. USC	2	12	14	15	98	113	-5	96	91	29	20	49
vs. Navy	38	80	118	37	103	140	65	49	114	42	28	70
at Wake Forest	38	52	90	32	23	55	78	82	160	27	9	36
vs. Maryland	86	62	148	52	92	144	45	69	114	29	73	102
vs. Boston College	73	60	133	17	81	98	22	68	90	49	47	96
Total	598	745	1343	519	749	1268	453	779	1232	365	572	937

Notre Dame Opponents Quarter-by-Quarter Yardage Breakdown

	1st Quarter			2nd Quarter			3rd Quarter			4th Quarter		
	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush	Pass	Total
vs. USF	42	20	62	41	41	82	5	43	48	38	24	62
at Michigan	22	5	27	20	43	63	45	88	133	27	202	229
vs. MSU	-1	37	36	14	104	118	9	43	52	7	145	152
at Pittsburgh	16	15	31	59	53	112	28	39	67	0	58	58
at Purdue	0	39	39	31	56	87	11	42	53	42	55	97
vs. Air Force	106	54	160	97	54	151	78	29	107	82	65	147
vs. USC	76	52	128	52	73	125	24	36	60	67	63	130
vs. Navy	45	12	57	28	15	43	54	4	58	69	2	71
at Wake Forest	43	67	110	47	49	87	9	51	60	11	29	40
vs. Maryland	25	23	48	19	87	106	29	52	82	72	57	129
vs. Boston College	27	16	43	3	84	87	18	31	49	32	39	71
Total	401	340	741	411	659	1061	310	458	769	447	739	1186

bold indicates Notre Dame's quarter highs and Irish opponents' quarter lows

light gray indicates Notre Dame's quarter lows and Irish opponents' quarter highs

NO TURNOVERS = VICTORIES

► Notre Dame played its third turnover-free game of the season against Maryland on Nov. 12. The Irish are 3-0 this season when they do not commit a turnover and 6-0 under second-year head coach Brian Kelly.

► Notre Dame has won its last seven games in which it failed to commit a turnover. The Irish have not lost a game without no turnovers since Oct. 17, 2009 when USC upended Notre Dame, 34-27.

► Notre Dame is 21-4 in its last 25 games in which it failed to commit a turnover.

IRISH DEFENSE ANSWERS THE BELL FOLLOWING TURNOVERS

► Notre Dame's offense committed a turnover midway through the third quarter near midfield against Boston College on Nov. 19, but the Irish defense responded. The Eagles went three plays and out (picked up just seven yards).

► Notre Dame's offense committed a pair of turnovers in its victory at Wake Forest on Nov. 5, but the Irish defense responded on both occasions. The Demon Deacons totaled 11 yards on the four plays following the Notre Dame turnovers. The Irish defense answered with a forced turnover of their own to deny the Deacs a scoring chance. After the first Irish turnover, Wake Forest had a first and goal situation following the interception, a personal foul call on the return and 16-yard pass play, but senior OLB **Darius Fleming** forced a fumble and senior CB **Gary Gray** recovered the loose football.

► Notre Dame was victimized by two more turnovers inside their own 28-yard line on Oct. 29 against Navy that setup both of the Midshipmen touchdowns. In fact, each of the last three touchdowns the Notre Dame defense surrendered against USC and Navy came directly off turnovers, but it is hard pressed to blame the Irish defense. USC went 18 yards on three plays to grab a 31-17 lead in the fourth quarter on Oct. 22 and the Midshipmen went 27 yards on six plays and 26 yards on two plays for touchdowns on Oct. 29.

► USC's Matt Barkley tossed a 14-yard touchdown pass to Robert Woods with 7:47 left in the fourth quarter on Oct. 22, which marked the first touchdown for an Irish opponent following a Notre Dame turnover since Sept. 10 at Michigan. The Irish had held their foes without a touchdown on the previous 10 drives following a turnover. Notre Dame had allowed a pair of field goals, forced four turnovers (three interceptions and fumble), two punts, one occurred on the final play of the Michigan game and another was returned for a touchdown.

Eye On Career Records

Passing Yards - Career

1. Brady Quinn	11762 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	8148 (2007-09)
3. Ron Powlus	7602 (1994-97)
4. Steve Beuerlein	6527 (1983-86)
5. Rick Mirer	5997 (1989-92)
6. Jarious Jackson	4820 (1996-99)
7. Joe Theismann	4411 (1968-70)
8. Terry Hanratty	4152 (1966-68)
9. Joe Montana	4121 (1975-78)
10. Tommy Rees	3754 (2010-)

Yards per Game - Season

1. Brady Quinn	326.6 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	310.2 (2009)
3. Brady Quinn	263.5 (2006)
4. Jimmy Clausen	244.0 (2008)
5. Joe Theismann	242.9 (1970)
6. Tommy Rees	240.7 (2011)
7. Jarious Jackson	229.4 (1999)
8. Dayne Crist	225.9 (2010)
9. Brady Quinn	215.5 (2004)
10. Terry Hanratty	209.4 (1968)

Yards per Game - Career

1. Brady Quinn	240.0 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	232.8 (2007-09)
3. Tommy Rees	187.7 (2010-)
4. Ron Powlus	172.7 (1994-97)
5. Terry Hanratty	159.7 (1966-68)
6. Steve Beuerlein	155.4 (1983-86)
7. Joe Montana	152.6 (1975-78)
8. Joe Theismann	152.1 (1968-70)

Games with 300 Yards - Season

1. Jimmy Clausen	7 (2009)
2. Brady Quinn	5 (2005)
3. Brady Quinn	4 (2006)
Jimmy Clausen	3 (2008)
5. Dayne Crist	2 (2009)
6. Jarious Jackson	2 (1999)
7. 13 with	1
(MR: Tommy Rees, 2011)	

Games with 300 Yards - Career

1. Brady Quinn	11 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	10 (2007-09)
3. Tommy Rees	2 (2010-)
Dayne Crist	2 (2009-)
Jarious Jackson	2 (1996-99)
Terry Hanratty	2 (1966-68)
7. George Izo	1 (1957-59)
Joe Montana	1 (1975, 77-78)
Joe Theismann	1 (1968-70)
John Huarte	1 (1962-64)
Rick Mirer	1 (1989-92)
Rusty Lisch	1 (1976, 77, 79)
Steve Beuerlein	1 (1983-86)

Eye On Career Records

Touchdown Passes - Game

1. Brady Quinn	6	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
2. Jimmy Clausen	5	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
Jimmy Clausen	5	vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008*
Brady Quinn	5	vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2005
Brady Quinn	5	at Michigan St., Sept. 23, 2006
6. Tommy Rees	4	vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011
Tommy Rees	4	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
Dayne Crist	4	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
Jimmy Clausen	4	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
Brady Quinn	4	at Air Force, Nov. 11, 2006
Brady Quinn	4	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 4, 2006
Brady Quinn	4	vs. Washington, Sept. 25, 2004
Brady Quinn	4	vs. Navy, Nov. 12, 2005
Angelo Bertelli	4	vs. Stanford, Oct. 10, 1942
Daryle Lamonica	4	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
Steve Beuerlein	4	at USC, Nov. 24, 1986
Ron Powlus	4	vs. Northwestern, Sept. 3, 1994
Ron Powlus	4	at Purdue, Sept. 9, 1995
Ron Powlus	4	vs. Rutgers, Nov. 23, 1996
Jarious Jackson	4	vs. Arizona State, Oct. 9, 1999
Carlyle Holiday	4	vs. Rutgers, Nov. 23, 2002

*Hawai'i Bowl

Touchdown Passes - Season

1. Brady Quinn	37 (2006)
2. Brady Quinn	32 (2005)
3. Jimmy Clausen	28 (2009)
4. Jimmy Clausen	25 (2008)
5. Tommy Rees	19 (2011)
Ron Powlus	19 (1994)
7. Rick Mirer	18 (1991)
Brady Quinn	17 (2004)
Jarious Jackson	17 (1999)
10. Joe Theismann	16 (1970)
John Huarte	16 (1964)
Bob Williams	16 (1949)

Touchdown Passes - Career

1. Brady Quinn	95 (2003-06)
2. Jimmy Clausen	60 (2007-09)
3. Ron Powlus	52 (1994-97)
4. Rick Mirer	41 (1989-92)
5. Jarious Jackson	34 (1996-99)
6. Tommy Rees	31 (2010-)
Joe Theismann	31 (1968-70)
8. Angelo Bertelli	28 (1941-43)
9. Steve Beuerlein	27 (1983-86)
Terry Hanratty	27 (1966-68)

Interceptions - Game

1. Frank Dancewicz	7	vs. Army, Nov. 11, 1944
2. Terry Hanratty	5	vs. USC, Oct. 14, 1967
3. Jimmy Clausen	4	at Boston College, Nov. 8, 2008
Brady Quinn	4	at Purdue, Sept. 27, 2003
Ron Powlus	4	at Michigan State, Sept. 17, 1994
Steve Beuerlein	4	vs. Navy, Nov. 3, 1984
Terry Hanratty	4	at Purdue, Sept. 30, 1967
Terry Hanratty	4	at Illinois, Oct. 21, 1967
9. 15 with	3	

MR: Tommy Rees at USC, Nov. 27, 2010

► The last 16 opponent possessions following an Irish turnover have resulted in only 282 yards on 58 plays – which averages to 3.6 plays and 17.6 yards per drive (only five of those possessions gained more than 18 yards, six resulted in fewer than five yards and 10 resulted in less than 20 yards).

Opponent	Drive Started		Drive Ended		Consumed	
	Spot	Obtained	Spot	How Lost	Plays-Yards	TOP
Boston College	N48	Interception	N41	Punt	3-7	0:51
Wake Forest	N24	Interception	N11	Fumble	3-13	1:17
Wake Forest	W21	Interception	W19	End of half	1-(-2)	0:08
Navy	N27	Fumble	N00	Touchdown	6-27	2:42
Navy	N26	Interception	N00	Touchdown	2-26	0:34
USC	N49	Interception	N02	End of Half	10-47	6:43
USC	N18	Fumble	N00	Touchdown	3-18	0:59
Pittsburgh	P05	Interception	N35	Punt	6-60	2:23
Pittsburgh	N23	Fumble	N28	Field Goal	4-(-5)	1:13
Michigan State	N21	Fumble	N03	Interception	3-18	0:56
Michigan State	N27	Interception	N23	Field Goal	4-4	1:27
Michigan State	N46	Fumble	M49	Fumble	3-(-5)	1:26
Michigan	N14	Fumble	N14	End Game	0-0	0:00
Michigan	M09	Fumble	N30	Interception	3-61	1:45
Michigan	M29	Fumble	M43	Interception	4-14	1:28
Michigan	M18	Interception	M17	Punt	3-(-1)	0:57

► Notre Dame's defense again answered the challenge following a turnover in the first quarter against Pittsburgh.

► Pittsburgh opened its drive at the Irish 23-yard line following a fumble, but only managed a field goal.

► Notre Dame's defense allowed a total of 12 yards on 14 plays – and one first down – on the four drives following an Irish turnover (prior to the Irish interception at the Pittsburgh five-yard line midway through the second quarter).

► The Irish had three turnovers against Michigan State – all inside Notre Dame territory – and two of which occurred inside 25-yard line. The Irish defense only allowed a field goal. Notre Dame also answered with a pair of forced turnovers of its own on the other two possessions.

► Michigan State opened a drive at the Irish 23-yard line following a 34-yard interception return, but the Irish limited the Spartans to a field goal. Michigan State gained just four yards on four plays following the turnover.

► Notre Dame added its third turnover of the game late in the fourth quarter when senior WR **John Goodman** muffed a punt at the Irish 21-yard line. The Irish defense responded with an interception. Senior CB **Robert Blanton** picked off Michigan State QB Kirk Cousins and raced 82 yards to set up a Notre Dame field goal.

TURNOVERS BITE THE IRISH ONCE AGAIN

► Notre Dame enters this weekend's matchup against Stanford with 23 turnovers over its first 11 games, but 10 came in the first two weeks of the season and the Irish have committed only three turnovers in their last three outings against Wake Forest (two), Maryland (none) and Boston College (one). None led touchdowns or even points, thanks to the Irish defense. Notre Dame answered one interception with a forced fumble of its own.

► Notre Dame has committed 13 turnovers in its three losses and 10 in its eight victories.

► Notre Dame ranks 87th or worse in each of the four FBS turnovers categories. The Irish are tied for 87th in interceptions thrown (12), tied for 89th in fumbles lost (11), tied for 93rd in total turnovers (23) and tied for 116th in turnover margin (-1.09).

► Notre Dame's struggles with turnovers is a stark contrast to 2010.

	2010 (FBS Rank)	2011 (FBS Rank)
Fumbles Lost	8 (t-25th)	11 (t-89th)
Total Turnovers	24 (t-71st)	23 (t-93rd)
Turnover Margin	+0.08/game (t-52nd)	-1.09/game (t-116th)

► The Irish were hurt by two turnovers inside their own 27-yard line on Oct. 29 against Navy that setup both of the Midshipmen touchdowns.

► As if the 23 turnovers this season were not costly enough, seven have occurred inside the opponents' 20-yard line and 13 others have come on Notre Dame's half of the field, including six inside the Irish 20-yard line.

► Three touchdowns the Notre Dame defense surrendered against USC and Navy came directly off turnovers. USC went 18 yards on three plays to grab a 31-17 lead in the fourth quarter on Oct. 22 and the Midshipmen went 27 yards on six plays and 26 yards on two plays for touchdowns on Oct. 29.

► Navy's two touchdown drives covered just 27 and 26 yards, respectively.

► Notre Dame had gone without a turnover in back-to-back victories over Purdue and Air Force, but had three critical turnovers in the final 16 minutes of the game against USC on Oct. 22.

► The Irish marched 71 yards on 19 plays and took 6:22 off the clock in the third period – reaching the USC one-yard line. However, senior QB **Dayne Crist** mishandled the center-quarterback exchange on third and goal and USC safety Jawanza Starling scooped up the football and raced 80 yards for a touchdown.

► Notre Dame had allowed just two fumble returns for touchdowns of 80 yards or longer just twice since the start of the 1966 season. Leroy Keyes return a fumble for Purdue 96 yards for a touchdown (which remained the longest by a Notre Dame opponent until Kayvon Webster of USF equaled the mark in the 2011 season opener) and Julian Battle added an 80-yard touchdown return. In other words, that's two such touchdown returns in 45 years or one every couple decades.

- ▶ The Irish surrendered two in the first seven games of 2011.
- ▶ On the ensuing drive following a fourth-quarter missed USC field goal (Irish trailing 24-17), junior RB **Cierre Wood** fumbled a lateral and the Trojans recovered at the Irish 18-yard line.
- ▶ USC answered with a touchdown to extend its lead to 31-17 with 7:47 left in the contest.
- ▶ Notre Dame committed two turnovers in the first half against Pittsburgh, one inside the Irish 25-yard line and another at the Panthers five-yard line. The Irish turned the football over 15 times over their first four games of the season.
- ▶ Notre Dame committed two turnovers in the first quarter against Michigan State, both inside its own territory. The Irish added a third turnover late in the fourth quarter – the final miscue coming inside the Notre Dame 25-yard line.
- ▶ Notre Dame's 13 turnovers over the first three games of a season were the most for an Irish team since 1977. The '77 team had 14 turnovers over its first three games. In case you are curious, the '77 team won Notre Dame's 10th consensus national title.
- ▶ Notre Dame had 12 turnovers over its first three games – and 10 in the first two games – of the 1978 season. Interestingly enough, the Irish opened the year 0-2 before ripping off eight straight regular season victories and capped off the campaign with Cotton Bowl victory over Houston.
- ▶ Here is a bizarre Notre Dame trend when the Irish have major turnover issues over their first three games of a season dating back to the 1964 season – Ara Parseghian's first on the Notre Dame sidelines:

Year	Turnovers Through Three Games	Record Through Three Games	Season Record
1977	14	2-1	11-1*
2011	13	1-2	8-3
1978	12	1-2	9-3
1976	12	2-1	9-3
1974	10	2-1	10-2
1973	10	3-0	11-0*
1968	10	2-1	7-2-1
1966	10	3-0	9-0-1*
			74-14-1 (.837)

- ▶ The 15 turnovers over the first four games of a season are also the most for a Notre Dame team since the '77 squad had an astounding 20 turnovers over its first four games. The '76 Irish also had 15 turnovers over their first four games.

Year	Turnovers Through Four Games	Record Through Four Games	Final Season Record
1977	20	3-1	11-1*
2011	15	2-2	8-3
1976	15	3-1	9-3
			28-7 (.800)

* Irish actually won national titles

- ▶ Notre Dame committed five turnovers in each of its first two games. Prior to the first two weeks of 2011, the Irish had not committed five turnovers in a single game since Nov. 15, 2008 against Boston College.
- ▶ Notre Dame had not gone consecutive games with five turnovers since '08.
- ▶ Two of Notre Dame's turnovers against Michigan occurred inside the Wolverine 20-yard line, including one inside UM's 10-yard line.
- ▶ Both of Notre Dame's turnovers inside the red zone against Michigan came on a first down play as well.
- ▶ Notre Dame committed five turnovers in the loss to USF. The Irish had not had five turnovers in a home contest since Sept. 16, 2006 against Michigan.
- ▶ Notre Dame was minus-five in turnover margin for the first time since Nov. 8, 2008 against Boston College. The Irish had not been minus-five in the turnover margin at home since Nov. 5, 1983 against Pittsburgh (Notre Dame lost, 21-16). That's a span of 166 games over 28 years.
- ▶ The minus-five turnover margin was also the worst in the FBS in week one.
- ▶ Notre Dame had a pair of first-half turnovers inside the USF 10-yard line. Senior RB **Jonas Gray** fumbled on a 3rd and goal carry at the Bulls' one-yard line and senior QB **Dayne Crist** was picked off in the end zone on a 3rd and goal pass from the USF seven-yard line.
- ▶ Notre Dame had marched a total of 137 yards (76 and 61) on the two drives, but failed to score on either attempt.
- ▶ Notre Dame committed its third turnover in the first half when junior WR **Theo Riddick** muffed a punt and USF recovered at the Irish 20-yard line. Notre Dame's defense allowed just a single yard and limited the Bulls to a field goal.
- ▶ The Irish added a third turnover inside the USF 10-yard line on their first possession of the second half. On first and goal from the Bulls' five-yard line, sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** was intercepted when his pass deflected off the shoulder of sophomore WR **TJ Jones**.

RED ZONE REPORT

- ▶ Notre Dame registered a touchdown on 13 trips consecutive trips into the red zone entering the Boston College game on Nov. 19, but the Irish managed field goals on each of their two opportunities against the Eagles. The Irish have scored on 22 of their last 23 red zone opportunities, including 19 touchdowns.
- ▶ Despite the recent prowess in the red zone, the Irish still rank tied for 64th in the FBS in red zone offense. Notre Dame has scored on 34 of its 42 red zone chances, including 29 touchdowns. The eight failed opportunities for the Irish include two missed field goals, three interceptions and three fumbles.
- ▶ The six turnovers in the red zone not only lead the FBS, but five have come inside its opponents' 10-yard line. Four of the six turnovers inside the 10-yard line have come on a first down play. It could actually be considered seven turnovers in the red zone as Michigan picked off Tommy Rees inside its own five-yard line, but the play started outside the 25-yard line.
- ▶ Notre Dame had only six turnovers in the red zone over the last 35 games entering the 2011 season.

Eye On Career Records

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Game

1. Brady Quinn	47	vs. BYU, Sept. 4, 2004
2. Jimmy Clausen	45	vs. Connecticut, Nov. 21, 2009
Brady Quinn	45	vs. Ohio State, Jan. 2, 2006*
Brady Quinn	45	vs. USC, Nov. 25, 2006
Brady Quinn	45	vs. UCLA, Oct. 21, 2006
6. Jimmy Clausen	43	vs. USC, Oct. 17, 2009
Jimmy Clausen	43	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 1, 2008
8. Jimmy Clausen	42	at Michigan, Sept. 12, 2009
9. Brady Quinn	41	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
10. Tommy Rees	40	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011
Jimmy Clausen	40	vs. Stanford, Oct. 4, 2008
Jimmy Clausen	40	vs. Air Force, Nov. 10, 2007

* Fiesta Bowl

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Season

1. Brady Quinn	226	Michigan State - Army (2006)
2. Jimmy Clausen	160	Washington - Navy (2009)
3. Tommy Rees	135	Pittsburgh - USC (2011)
4. Jimmy Clausen	132	MSU - North Carolina (2008)
5. Brady Quinn	130	USC - Navy (2005)
6. Carlyle Holiday	126	Pittsburgh - Rutgers (2002)

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Career

1. Brady Quinn	226	Michigan State - Army (2006)
2. Jimmy Clausen	160	Washington - Navy (2009)
3. Jimmy Clausen	147	USC - Purdue (2008-09)
4. Brady Quinn	143	Stanford - Michigan (2005-06)
5. Tommy Rees	135	Pittsburgh - USC (2011)
6. Jimmy Clausen	132	MSU - North Carolina (2008)
7. Dayne Crist	130	USC - Navy (2005)
8. Carlyle Holiday	126	Pittsburgh - Rutgers (2002)

Lowest INT Percentage - Season (min. 100 attempts)

1. Matt LoVecchio	0.80 (1 of 125), 2000
2. Jimmy Clausen	0.94 (4 of 425), 2009
3. Brady Quinn	1.50 (7 of 467), 2006
4. Brady Quinn	1.56 (7 of 450), 2005
5. Ron Powlus	1.72 (4 of 232), 1996
6. Carlyle Holiday	1.95 (5 of 257), 2002
7. Evan Sharpley	2.14 (3 of 140), 2007
8. Rick Slager	2.16 (3 of 139), 1975
9. Ron Powlus	2.35 (7 of 298), 1997
10. Dayne Crist	2.38 (7 of 294), 2010

Lowest INT Percentage - Career (min. 150 attempts)

1. Jimmy Clausen	2.432 (27 of 1110), 2007-09
2. Brady Quinn	2.434 (39 of 1602), 2003-06
3. Matt LoVecchio	2.58 (5 of 194), 2000-01
4. Dayne Crist	2.66 (9 of 338), 2008-
5. Ron Powlus	2.79 (27 of 969), 1994-97
6. Rick Mirer	3.30 (23 of 698), 1989-92
7. Kevin McDougal	3.33 (6 of 180), 1990-93
8. Carlyle Holiday	3.35 (16 of 477), 2001-04
9. Tommy Rees	3.55 (19 of 535), 2010-
10. Jarious Jackson	3.92 (21 of 536), 1996-99

Eye On Career Records

Receptions - Game

1. Maurice Stovall	14	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
2. Michael Floyd	13	at Michigan, Sept. 10, 2011
Jim Seymour	13	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
4. Michael Floyd	12	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011
Michael Floyd	12	vs. USF, Sept. 3, 2011
Tom Gatewood	12	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
Bobby Brown	12	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
8. Michael Floyd	11	at USC, Nov. 27, 2010
Michael Floyd	11	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
Golden Tate	11	vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009
Jim Kelly	11	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
Jim Seymour	11	at USC, Nov. 26, 1966

Receptions - Game (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	9	at Purdue, Sept. 24, 1977
2. Tyler Eifert	8	vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011
Tyler Eifert	8	vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011
Tyler Eifert	8	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011
Kyle Rudolph	8	at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010
Kyle Rudolph	8	vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010
John Carlson	8	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 4, 2006
Anthony Fasano	8	vs. Purdue, Oct. 2, 2004
Ken MacAfee	8	vs. USC, Oct. 22, 1977

Receptions - Season

1. Golden Tate	93 (2009)
2. Michael Floyd	87 (2011)
3. Michael Floyd	79 (2010)
4. Jeff Samardzija	78 (2006)
5. Tom Gatewood	77 (1970)
Jeff Samardzija	77 (2005)
7. Maurice Stovall	69 (2005)
8. Rhema McKnight	67 (2006)
9. Jack Snow	60 (1964)
10. Golden Tate	58 (2008)
Arnaz Battle	58 (2002)

Receptions - Career

1. Michael Floyd	258 (2008-)
2. Jeff Samardzija	179 (2003-06)
3. Rhema McKnight	170 (2002-06)
4. Golden Tate	157 (2007-09)
Tom Gatewood	157 (1969-71)
6. Jim Seymour	138 (1966-68)
7. Tim Brown	137 (1984-87)
8. Maurice Stovall	130 (2002-05)
9. Derrick Mayes	129 (1992-95)
10. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)

Receptions - Season (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	54 (1977)
2. Tyler Eifert	53 (2011)
3. John Carlson	47 (2006)
Anthony Fasano	47 (2005)
5. Tony Hunter	42 (1982)
6. John Carlson	40 (2007)
7. Ken MacAfee	34 (1976)
8. Kyle Rudolph	33 (2009)
9. Mark Bavaro	32 (1984)
10. Kyle Rudolph	29 (2008)

► Notre Dame had three turnovers in the red zone over the course of the entire 2010 season (13 games). In fact, the Irish had a total of five red zone turnovers over the last two seasons combined.

► Notre Dame continued its streak of successful red zone trips in the 45-24 rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. The Irish scored touchdowns on all four of their red zone opportunities against the Terps.

► Notre Dame went two for two (both touchdowns) in the 24-17 victory over Wake Forest on Nov. 5.

► Notre Dame had a remarkable day in terms of red zone efficiency in the 56-14 rout of Navy on Oct. 29. The Irish had seven red zone scoring opportunities and not only scored on each chance, but collected touchdowns on all seven trips. It was the most trips into the red zone with a perfect touchdown percentage by an Irish offense since at least 1977.

► The Irish success in the red zone is a pretty telling tale when it comes to victory or defeat. Notre Dame has scored on 28 of its 29 red zone opportunities, including 24 touchdowns, in its eight victories. However, in their three losses, the Irish have converted just six of 13 red zone chances (five touchdowns).

► Here is an interesting graphic for Notre Dame's offense in the red zone in victories compared to its losses:

Notre Dame Inside Opponent Red Zone (Victories)

	Times in RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Failed to score inside RZ				
									Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
vs. Michigan State	2	2	10	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Pittsburgh	1	1	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Purdue	5	4	24	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Air Force	6	6	42	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Navy	7	7	49	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Wake Forest	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Maryland	4	4	28	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Boston College	2	2	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	29	28	181	24	17	7	4	1	0	0	0	0	0

Totals 28 of 29 (96.6%) TD Totals 24 of 29 (82.8%)

Notre Dame Inside Opponent Red Zone (Losses)

	Times in RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Failed to score inside RZ				
									Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
vs. USF	6	2	13	2	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0
at Michigan	5	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
vs. USC	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Totals	13	6	37	5	2	3	1	1	0	3	3	0	0

Totals 6 of 13 (46.2%) TD Totals 5 of 13 (38.5%)

► Notre Dame converted on just one of its two red zone opportunities against USC on Oct. 22. The Irish only managed a field goal on a drive that reached the Trojans seven-yard line just before halftime and then Notre Dame mishandled the center-quarterback exchange on a third down and goal play from the one-yard line late in the third quarter. The fumble was ultimately returned 80 yards for a touchdown resulting in a 14-point swing (Irish trailed 17-10 and was inches from tying the score prior to the fumble).

► It was the second fumble return for a touchdown of 80 yards or longer by an Irish opponent this season and second at Notre Dame Stadium.

► Notre Dame excelled in the red zone in victories over Purdue and Air Force. The Irish had six red zone opportunities against the Falcons on Oct. 8 and came away with six touchdowns. Notre Dame had five red zone chances against the Boilermakers on Oct. 1 and came away with four scores (three touchdowns), but did have a 23-yard field goal blocked.

► In victories over Air Force and Purdue, Notre Dame scored on 10 of its 11 red zone chances, including nine touchdowns.

► The Irish entered Pittsburgh's red zone on just one occasion and recorded a touchdown along with a two-point conversion.

Notre Dame Inside Opponent Red Zone

	Times in RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Failed to score inside RZ				
									Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
USF	6	2	13	2	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0
at Michigan	5	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Michigan State	2	2	10	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Pittsburgh	1	1	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Purdue	5	4	24	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Air Force	6	6	42	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
vs. Navy	7	7	49	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Wake Forest	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Maryland	4	4	28	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Boston College	2	2	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	42	34	218	29	19	10	5	2	0	3	3	0	0

Totals 34 of 42 (81.0%) TD Totals 29 of 42 (69.0%)

Opponents Inside Notre Dame Red Zone

	Times in RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Total TDs	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	FGA	Failed to score inside RZ				Game
									Down	Int	Fumb	Half	
USF	3	3	13	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Michigan	3	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan State	5	2	10	1	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
at Pittsburgh	2	2	9	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
at Purdue	2	2	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Air Force	5	5	25	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. USC	6	4	24	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
vs. Navy	3	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
at Wake Forest	4	2	14	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
vs. Maryland	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
vs. Boston College	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	37	29	168	21	7	14	8	2	3	1	1	1	0
Totals 29 of 37 (78.4%)		TD Totals 21 of 37 (56.8%)											

► While Notre Dame's red zone offensive has garnered most of the attention this season, both positively and negatively, the Irish defense has done a solid job all season. Notre Dame ranks tied for 34th in the FBS in red zone defense. The Irish rank 42nd in the FBS in touchdowns allowed per red zone opportunity.

► Wake Forest had a pair of first and goal situations in the second half, one from the eight-yard line in the third quarter and another from the 10-yard line in the fourth quarter, but the Irish held the Demon Deacons without points on either occasion. Senior OLB **Darius Fleming** forced a fumble on the first Wake Forest opportunity. Freshman DE **Stephon Tuitt** collected a sack and senior S **Harrison Smith** followed with a tackle for loss, which ultimately led to a missed 42-yard field goal.

► The Irish defense made its own noise in the red zone against Michigan State. The Spartans ventured into the Notre Dame 20-yard line on five different occasions, but the Irish allowed just two scores and only one touchdown. Notre Dame stopped Michigan State on a pair of fourth down plays and senior DB **Robert Blanton's** interception at the goal line prevented another score.

► Notre Dame has only allowed seven rushing touchdowns in the red zone all season (actually the Irish have surrendered eight rushing touchdowns all season regardless of red zone or not). That total ranks tied for seventh in the FBS. Alabama (two), Utah (four), TCU, Texas and LSU (all with six) are the only schools that have allowed fewer red zone rushing touchdowns.

Category	Notre Dame Total	FBS Rank
Fewest Rushing Touchdowns	7	t-7th
Opponent Scoring Percentage	29 of 37 (78.4%)	t-34th
Opponent Touchdown Percentage	21 of 37 (56.8%)	42nd

OFFENSIVE ONSLAUGHT

► Notre Dame is one of six FBS schools that has already registered a 1,000-yard receiver (Michael Floyd) and 1,000-yard rusher (Cierre Wood). The other FBS schools to already accomplish the feat include Iowa, Oklahoma State, North Carolina, California and Texas A&M.

► Notre Dame is one of 10 FBS schools – five BCS AQ schools – that rank among the top 41 in each of the following four offensive categories: passing offense (258.64, 35th), rushing offense (175.91, 41st), total offense (434.55, 33rd) and scoring offense (32.00, 37th). The other nine schools alongside the Irish are Baylor, Nevada, Ohio, USF, Southern Mississippi, Stanford, Texas A&M, Toledo and Tulsa.

► Notre Dame has totaled 4,780 yards of total offense over its first 11 games, which ranks 29th in the FBS in total offense yards. The Irish rank 29th in the FBS in total yards per play (6.22) and 33rd in total yards/game (434.55).

► Notre Dame has recorded 60 explosive plays (26 rushes of at least 15 yards and 34 receptions of at least 20 yards) over its first 11 games of the season.

► The Irish tallied five explosive plays in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29.

► Notre Dame tallied nine more explosive plays in the victory over Air Force on Oct. 8.

► The Irish registered seven explosive plays in the rout at Purdue on Oct. 1.

► Notre Dame collected five explosive plays in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State.

► The Irish offense tallied 10 explosive plays at Michigan, the most in the Kelly era. The previous high of eight was accomplished twice, including the season opener against USF and last year's 2010 Hyundai Sun Bowl victory over Miami (Fla.).

► Notre Dame recorded a 100-yard rusher and 100-yard receiver in each of the first two games of 2011. The Irish had not posted consecutive outings with a 100-yard rusher and 100-yard receiver since Sept. 12 and Sept. 19, 2009 against Michigan and Michigan State. Notre Dame accomplished the feat again in the rout of Purdue on Oct. 1.

FORTUNE 500 OFFENSE

► Notre Dame has eclipsed 500 yards of total offense in five of its first 11 games (508 vs. USF, 513 at Michigan, 551 at Purdue, 560 vs. Air Force and 508 vs. Maryland) – marking the first time the Irish have posted five or more 500-yard performances since the 2005 season.

► Notre Dame's 2005 offensive totaled 500 or more total yards in four of its first five games and six of its first 10. The '05 Irish finished the season with a school record seven games of at least 500 total yards, including 621 and 663 against BYU and Stanford, respectively.

► In 1970, when Notre Dame set its all-time single-season record by averaging 510.5 yards per game (behind quarterback Joe Theismann), they had only two in their first five contests and finished with five 500-yard days for the season. More recently, in 2009 when the Irish ranked eight nationally with 451.75 yards per contest, they finished with four 500-yard efforts (with Jimmy Clausen at the helm). In 1968 – the only other year the Irish averaged 500 yards a game for the full season (504.4 to rate second nationally) – Terry Hanratty and Company accounted for five 500-yard efforts.

Eye On Career Records

Receptions - Career (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)
2. John Carlson	100 (2004-07)
3. Anthony Fasano	92 (2003-05)
4. Kyle Rudolph	90 (2008-10)
5. Tyler Eifert	80 (2009-)
6. *Tony Hunter	70 (1979-82)
7. Derek Brown	62 (1988-91)
Dean Masztak	62 (1978-81)
9. Mark Bavaro	55 (1981-84)
10. Mike Creaney	46 (1070-72)

*played TE only in 1981-82

Receptions - Season (Running Back)

1. Darius Walker	56 (2006)
2. Armando Allen Jr.	50 (2008)
3. Darius Walker	43 (2005)
4. Bob Gladieux	37 (1968)
5. Autry Denson	30 (1997)
6. Joseph Heap	29 (1952)
7. Armando Allen Jr.	28 (2009)
Allen Pinkett	28 (1983)
9. Cierre Wood	25 (2011)
Marc Edwards	25 (1995)
Mark Green	25 (1986)

Receptions - Career (Running Back)

1. Armando Allen Jr.	119 (2007-10)
2. Darius Walker	109 (2004-06)
3. Allen Pinkett	73 (1982-85)
4. Bob Gladieux	72 (1966-68)
5. Joseph Heap	71 (1951-54)
6. Mark Green	61 (1985-88)
7. Autry Denson	53 (1995-98)
8. Jim Morse	52 (1954-56)
9. Marc Edwards	46 (1993-96)
10. Cierre Wood	45 (2010-)

Receiving Yards - Game

1. Jim Seymour	276	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Golden Tate	244	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
3. Jack Snow	217	at Wisconsin, Sept. 26, 1964
4. Bobby Brown	208	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
Jim Morse	208	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
6. Maurice Stovall	207	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Golden Tate	201	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
8. Tom Gatewood	192	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
9. Jeff Samardzija	191	at Stanford, Nov. 26, 2005
10. Michael Floyd	189	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009

Receiving Yards - Season

1. Golden Tate	1496 (2009)
2. Jeff Samardzija	1249 (2005)
3. Maurice Stovall	1149 (2005)
4. Tom Gatewood	1123 (1970)
5. Jack Snow	1114 (1964)
6. Golden Tate	1080 (2008)
7. Michael Floyd	1025 (2010)
8. Jeff Samardzija	1017 (2006)
9. Michael Floyd	1014 (2011)
10. Tim Brown	910 (1986)

Eye On Career Records

Receiving Yards - Career

1. Michael Floyd	3553 (2008-)
2. Golden Tate	2707 (2007-09)
3. Jeff Samardzija	2593 (2003-06)
4. Derrick Mayes	2512 (1992-95)
5. Tim Brown	2493 (1984-87)
6. Tom Gatewood	2283 (1969-71)
7. Rhema McKnight	2277 (2002-06)
8. Maurice Stovall	2195 (2002-05)
9. Jim Seymour	2113 (1966-68)
10. Tony Hunter	1897 (1979-82)

Receiving Yards - Season (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	797 (1977)
2. Tyler Eifert	634 (2011)
John Carlson	634 (2006)
4. Anthony Fasano	576 (2005)
5. Tony Hunter	507 (1982)
6. Ken MacAfee	483 (1976)
7. Dean Masztak	428 (1979)
8. Tony Hunter	397 (1981)
9. Mark Bavaro	395 (1984)
10. Mark Bavaro	376 (1983)

Receiving Yards - Career (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	1,759 (1974-77)
2. Anthony Fasano	1,102 (2003-05)
3. John Carlson	1,093 (2004-07)
4. Kyle Rudolph	1,032 (2008-10)
5. Tyler Eifert	986 (2009-)
6. Dean Masztak	924 (1978-81)
7. *Tony Hunter	904 (1979-82)
8. Derek Brown	899 (1988-91)
9. Mike Creaney	890 (1970-72)
10. Mark Bavaro	771 (1981-84)

*played TE only in 1981-82

Yards per Reception - Game (min. 4 receptions)

1. Michael Floyd	(4 for 189) 47.3
	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
2. Jim Morse	(5 for 208) 41.6
	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
3. Golden Tate	(4 for 127) 31.8
	vs. Michigan, Sept. 13, 2008
4. John Carlson	(4 for 121) 30.3
	at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006
Rhema McKnight	(4 for 121) 30.3
	at Boston College, Oct. 25, 2003
6. Golden Tate	(6 for 177) 29.5
	vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), Dec. 24, 2008
Jeff Samardzija	(6 for 177) 29.5
	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 4, 2006
8. Golden Tate	(9 for 244) 27.1
	vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
9. Tim Brown	(7 for 184) 26.3
	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1986
10. Tony Hunter	(5 for 131) 26.2
	vs. USC, Oct. 20, 1979

► Notre Dame recorded five 500-yard games in both 1973 and 1992 as well.

Rank Year 500-yard Total Offense Games

1.	2005	7
2.	1970	6
3.	2011	5
	1992	5
	1973	5
	1968	5

► Here is a breakdown of Notre Dame's 500-plus games, season by season, since 1990:

1990: 502 vs. Purdue 542 vs. Air Force	1997: 520 vs. Boston College 1998: None	2006: None 2007: None
1991: 650 vs. Michigan State	1999: 566 vs. Oklahoma 524 vs. Navy	2008: None 2009: 510 vs. Nevada 530 vs. Washington
1992: 561 vs. Northwestern 509 vs. Michigan State 580 vs. Purdue	2000: None 2001: None	592 vs. Washington State 512 vs. Navy
521 vs. Pittsburgh 576 vs. Boston College	2002: None 2003: 512 vs. Stanford	2010: 535 vs. Michigan
1993: 539 vs. Pittsburgh 535 vs. BYU 604 vs. Navy	2004: 536 vs. Purdue 2005: 502 vs. Pittsburgh 594 vs. Michigan State	2011: 508 vs. USF 513 vs. Michigan 551 vs. Purdue
1994: 547 vs. Purdue	560 vs. Washington	560 vs. Air Force
1995: 503 vs. Purdue 511 vs. Texas 514 vs. Air Force	621 vs. Purdue 511 vs. BYU 505 vs. Navy	508 vs. Maryland
1996: 650 vs. Washington 544 vs. Boston College 565 vs. Pittsburgh 648 vs. Rutgers	663 vs. Stanford	

► Notre Dame surpassed 550 total yards in consecutive victories over Purdue and Air Force. The Irish had not totaled 550 yards or more of total offense in back-to-back games since 2005. Notre Dame actually surpassed 550 total yards in three straight games against Michigan State, Washington and Purdue.

► Notre Dame totaled 560 total yards in the rout of Air Force on Oct. 8. It was the most yards for the Irish since Oct. 31, 2009 when Notre Dame had 592 against Washington State.

► Purdue was the first time the Irish came away with a victory in a game where the Irish exceeded 500 yards this season. Notre Dame also had 500 or more total yards against both USF and Michigan.

► Notre Dame racked up 34 first downs in the victory over Purdue on Oct. 1. The Irish fell just two first downs shy of the school record set against Army in 1974 (36). The 34 first downs were the most for Notre Dame since they had 34 against Michigan State on Sept. 21, 1991. In fact, an Irish team has not recorded more first downs in a game since the school record 36 first downs on Oct. 19, 1974.

► The Irish rank 16th in the FBS in first downs per game (24.27).

FBS First Down Leaders

	Name	Rush	Pass	Penalty	Total	PG
1.	Houston	101	199	17	317	28.82
2.	Baylor	124	139	19	282	28.20
3.	Texas A&M	122	162	17	301	27.36
4.	Oklahoma State	88	198	14	300	27.27
5.	Oklahoma	93	167	12	272	27.20
6.	Nevada	133	121	15	269	26.90
7.	Texas Tech	100	173	16	289	26.27
8.	Northern Illinois	137	125	24	286	26.00
9.	Arizona	72	188	24	284	25.82
10.	USF	115	119	18	252	25.20
16.	Notre Dame	102	142	23	267	24.27

OFFENSIVE FIREWORKS

► Notre Dame and Air Force combined for 60 first downs, 1,125 total yards and 92 points in its meeting on Oct. 8.

► The 92 combined points are the most in Notre Dame Stadium history. The previous mark was 90 combined points, which happened on two different occasions. The Irish knocked off SMU, 61-29, in 1986 and Navy bested Notre Dame, 46-44, in three overtimes in 2007.

► Notre Dame collected touchdowns on each of its first six drives in the game against Air Force on Oct. 8.

TEAM RECORDS IN JEOPARDY

► Notre Dame will approach several team single-season offensive records from the modern era this season. Here is an overview of the team records that could be threatened this season:

Record	Number (Year)	2011
Rushing Yards Per Attempt	6.2 (1921)	5.3
Rushing Yards Per Attempt (Modern Record)	5.6 (1992)	5.3
Pass Attempts	481 (2010)	401
Pass Attempts Per Game	37.8 (2005)	36.5
Pass Completions	301 (2009)	266
Pass Completions Per Game	25.1 (2009)	24.2
Completion Percentage	.673 (2009)	.663
Total Offense Yards	5,728 (2005)	4,780
Total Offense Yards Per Attempt	6.72 (1921)	6.22
Total Offense Yards Per Attempt (Modern Record)	6.59 (1991)	6.22
Points Scored	440 (2005)	352
Touchdowns	59 (1991)	46
Extra Points	57 (1991)	44
Extra Point Percentage	100.0 (1990, 41 of 41)	100.0 (44 of 44)
	100.0 (1987, 36 of 36)	
	100.0 (1972, 34 of 34)	
Kickoff Return Yards	1,223 (1999)	1,098
First Downs	314 (2005)	267
First Downs by Passing	169 (2005)	142
First Downs by Penalty	22 (1997)	23

IRISH GROUND GAME IN 2011 YIELDS MAJOR RETURNS COMPARED TO 2010

► Notre Dame averaged only 126.62 rushing yards/game in 2010. The Irish have improved that effort in 2011 to 175.91 rushing yards/game or an improvement by 38.93 percent, which ranks as the 10th-best improvement (percentage wise) in rushing yards/game in the FBS.

► Notre Dame's improvement of 49.29 rushing yards/game from 2010 to 2011 ranks as the 14th-best improvement in the FBS.

Rank	Team	2010 Rush Yards/Game	2011 Rush Yards/Game	Improvement (Percentage)
1.	Bowling Green	62.83	123.27	96.20
2.	Temple	150.25	261.64	74.14
3.	UNLV	103.31	171.4	65.91
4.	Utah State	168.67	273.9	62.39
5.	Wyoming	119.5	188.3	57.57
6.	Indiana	100.33	156.82	56.30
7.	Missouri	156.38	242.18	54.87
8.	Texas	150.5	223.8	48.70
9.	Army	251.62	350.91	39.46
10.	Notre Dame	126.62	175.91	38.93

Rank	Team	2010 Rush Yards/Game	2011 Rush Yards/Game	Improvement (Yards)
1.	Temple	150.25	261.64	111.39
2.	Utah State	168.67	273.9	105.23
3.	Army	251.62	350.91	99.29
4.	Missouri	156.38	242.18	85.80
5.	Texas	150.5	223.8	73.30
6.	Wyoming	119.5	188.3	68.80
7.	UNLV	103.31	171.4	68.09
8.	Bowling Green	62.83	123.27	60.44
9.	Indiana	100.33	156.82	56.49
10.	Texas A&M	165	218.64	53.64
14.	Notre Dame	126.62	175.91	49.29

IRISH TOUGH TO BEAT WHEN WINNING THE RUSHING BATTLE

► Notre Dame's 27-game winning streak when outrushing its opponent was snapped in the loss at Michigan on Sept. 10. The Irish had not lost a game when outrushing their foe since Dec. 28, 2004 when Notre Dame lost to Oregon State, 38-21, in the Insight Bowl.

► Notre Dame has outrushed seven of its opponents this season. The Irish have won 33 of their last 34 games when recording more rushing yards than their opponent.

Eye On Career Records

Receiving Yards per Game - Season

1.	Golden Tate	124.6 (2009)
2.	Jim Seymour	123.1 (1966)
3.	Michael Floyd	113.6 (2009)
4.	Tom Gatewood	112.3 (1970)
5.	Jeff Samardzija	104.1 (2005)

Receiving Yards per Game - Career

1.	Michael Floyd	86.7 (2008-)
2.	Jim Seymour	81.3 (1966-68)
3.	Tom Gatewood	76.1 (1969-71)
4.	Golden Tate	73.2 (2007-09)

Games with 100 Yards - Season

1.	Golden Tate	9 (2009)
2.	Tom Gatewood	8 (1970)
3.	Maurice Stovall	6 (2005)
4.	Michael Floyd	5 (2009)
	Golden Tate	5 (2008)
	Jeff Samardzija	5 (2005)
7.	Michael Floyd	4 (2011)
	Michael Floyd	4 (2010)
	Michael Floyd	4 (2008)
	Jeff Samardzija	4 (2006)
	Tom Gatewood	4 (1969)

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1.	Michael Floyd	17 (2008-)
2.	Golden Tate	15 (2007-09)
3.	Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
4.	Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)
	Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
6.	Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)
7.	Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)
	Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)
9.	Rhema McKnight	5 (2002-06)
10.	Jack Snow	4 (1962-64)
	Tony Smith	4 (1989-91)
	Malcolm Johnson	4 (1995-98)

Touchdown Receptions - Game

1.	Maurice Stovall	4	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
2.	Michael Floyd	3	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
	Michael Floyd	3	vs. W. Michigan, Oct. 16, 2010
	Golden Tate	3	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
	Golden Tate	3	vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008*
	Eddie Anderson	3	at Northwestern, Nov. 20, 1920
	Bill Barrett	3	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 12, 1949
	Jim Mutscheller	3	vs. Michigan State, Oct. 28, 1950
	Jim Kelly	3	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
	Jim Seymour	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
	Tom Gatewood	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
	Jeff Samardzija	3	vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2005
	Maurice Stovall	3	vs. Navy, Nov. 12, 2005

*Hawai'i Bowl

Eye On Career Records

Touchdown Receptions - Season

1. Golden Tate	15 (2009)
Rhema McKnight	15 (2006)
Jeff Samardzija	15 (2005)
4. Michael Floyd	12 (2010)
Jeff Samardzija	12 (2006)
6. Derrick Mayes	11 (1994)
Maurice Stovall	11 (2005)
8. Golden Tate	10 (2008)
9. Michael Floyd	9 (2009)
Jack Snow	9 (1964)

Touchdown Receptions - Career

1. Michael Floyd	35 (2008-)
2. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)
3. Golden Tate	26 (2007-09)
4. Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
Rhema McKnight	22 (2002-06)
6. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)
7. Maurice Stovall	18 (2002-05)
8. Jim Seymour	16 (1966-68)
9. Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)
10. Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)
Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

Touchdown Receptions - Season (RB)

1. Joseph Heap	5 (1953)
2. Bob Scarpitto	4 (1959)
Coley O'Brien	4 (1968)
4. Jim Morse	3 (1954)
Jim Morse	3 (1955)
Ray Zellars	3 (1993)
Marc Edwards	3 (1995)
Tony Fisher	3 (2000)
9. 18 players with	2
(MR: Cierre Wood, 2010)	

Total Offense Total Plays - Season

1. Brady Quinn	549 (2006)
2. Brady Quinn	520 (2005)
3. Jimmy Clausen	494 (2008)
4. Jimmy Clausen	484 (2009)
5. Jarious Jackson	456 (1999)
6. Brady Quinn	407 (2004)
7. Tommy Rees	395 (2011)
8. Joe Theismann	391 (1970)
9. Brady Quinn	380 (2003)
10. Carlyle Holiday	350 (2002)

Total Offense Yards - Season

1. Brady Quinn	4,009 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	3,627 (2009)
3. Brady Quinn	3,497 (2006)
4. Jarious Jackson	3,217 (1999)
5. Jimmy Clausen	3,099 (2008)
6. Joe Theismann	2,813 (1970)
7. Tommy Rees	2,630 (2011)
8. Brady Quinn	2,582 (2004)
9. Rick Mirer	2,423 (1991)
10. Steve Beuerlein	2,246 (1986)

DOUBLE CENTURY GROUND GAME

- ▶ Notre Dame ran for 212 yards in its 45-21 rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. The Irish improved to 3-0 this season when rushing for at least 200 yards.
- ▶ Notre Dame has won eight consecutive games when it rushes for at least 200 yards. The Irish have not lost a game with more than 200 yards on the ground since Nov. 3, 2007 against Navy.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 20-1 over the last 10 years (since the start of the 2002 season) when it gains 200 or more yards rushing.

IRISH MOVE THE CHAINS ON THE GROUND

- ▶ Notre Dame has a pair of running backs ranked among the top 77 in the FBS in rushing yards per game. Junior RB **Cierre Wood** ranks 37th and senior RB **Jonas Gray** is 77th. The Irish are one of four teams across the nation to have a pair of running backs rank among the top 77 (Oregon, Temple and Texas A&M).
- ▶ Gray and Wood combined for 160 yards on 37 carries in the 16-14 victory over Boston College on Nov. 19. Wood rushed for 94 yards on a career-high 26 carries, while Gray had 61 yards on 11 rushes before suffering a season-ending knee injury early in the third quarter.
- ▶ Gray and Wood combined for 235 yards on 39 carries — good for a 6.0 yards a carry — and three touchdowns in the 45-21 rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. Gray rushed for a career-best 136 yards on 21 carries and two touchdowns, while Wood collected 99 yards on 18 rushes and one touchdown.
- ▶ Gray and Wood nearly became the first Irish running back tandem to each rush for a 100 yards in the same game in over 10 years, but Wood finished one yard shy of the century mark. The last rushing tandem to accomplish the feat — FB **Rashon Powers-Neal** (108) and TB **Ryan Grant** (103) against Stanford on Oct. 5, 2002. TB **Robert Farmer** and TB **Autry Denson** are the last true running back tandem to collect 100-yard rushing games in the same contest. Farmer had 140 yards and Denson had 108 against Pittsburgh on Oct. 11, 1996.
- ▶ Wood (1,001) and Gray (791) have combined for 1,792 yards rushing in 2011. Gray and Wood are one of three FBS backfields (Texas A&M and Temple are the others) with a pair of running backs with at least 791 yards rushing.
- ▶ Wood and Gray were on pace to become the first Irish running back tandem in school history to not only surpass 900 yards on the ground in the same season, but eclipse the 1,000-yard barrier before Gray's season-ending injury.

Rushing Yards - Season

Player, Year	Carries	Net	Avg	TD
1. Vagas Ferguson, 1979	*301	*1437	4.8	*17
2. Allen Pinkett, 1983	252	1394	5.5	16
3. Reggie Brooks, 1992	167	1343	*8.0	13
4. Julius Jones, 2003	229	1268	5.5	10
Autry Denson, 1997	264	1268	4.8	12
6. Darius Walker, 2006	255	1267	5.0	7
7. Darius Walker, 2005	253	1196	4.7	9
8. Vagas Ferguson, 1978	211	1192	5.6	7
9. Autry Denson, 1996	202	1179	5.8	8
10. Autry Denson, 1998	251	1176	4.7	15
11. Allen Pinkett, 1984	275	1105	4.0	*17
12. Allen Pinkett, 1985	255	1100	4.3	11
13. Ryan Grant, 2002	261	1085	4.2	9
14. Al Hunter, 1976	233	1058	4.5	12
15. Lee Becton, 1993	164	1044	6.4	6
16. Jerome Heavens, 1977	229	994	4.3	6
17. Jerome Bettis, 1991	168	972	5.8	16
18. Marchy Schwartz, 1930	124	927	7.5	9
19. Creighton Miller, 1943	151	911	6.0	10
20. Jim Stone, 1980	192	908	4.7	7
-- Cierre Wood, 2011	221	1,183	5.4	11 (projected)

* modern school records

- ▶ Notre Dame has rushed for 1,935 yards in 2011. The Irish are on pace to rush for 2,287 yards this season, which would be the most since 2000, when Notre Dame ran for 2,349 yards.
- ▶ Gray (12) and Wood (nine) have rushed for a combined 21 touchdowns. Gray is tied for 18th in the FBS in rushing touchdowns, while Wood is tied for 37th. The duo is one of two running back tandems in the FBS with at least nine rushing touchdowns apiece (LaMichael James and Kenjon Barner of Oregon is the other).
- ▶ Notre Dame has rushed for 24 touchdowns in 2011, which ranks tied for 26th in the FBS. It is the most rushing touchdowns in a season for the Irish since 2000 when Notre Dame rushed for 24 in 11 games. The Irish are on pace for 28 rushing touchdowns, which would be the most for Notre Dame since 1996 when they had 34.
- ▶ Gray and Wood combined for 68 yards on 15 carries in the opening half against Wake Forest on Nov. 5, but totaled 71 yards on just five carries on Notre Dame's first two scoring drives of the third quarter.
- ▶ Gray and Wood each rushed for a pair of touchdowns in the first half against Navy on Oct. 29.
- ▶ Notre Dame had not had two running backs register multiple rushing touchdowns in the same game since Oct. 11, 2001 against West Virginia when Julius Jones and Tony Fisher each had a pair.
- ▶ The four touchdown rushes in the first half alone against Navy equaled Notre Dame's previous high for the season. The Irish had four rushing touchdowns in the victory over Air Force on Oct. 8.

► Notre Dame finished the game against Navy with seven rushing touchdowns – the most for the Irish since Sept. 26, 1992 against Purdue (also had seven rushing touchdowns). Notre Dame has not had more rushing touchdowns in a game since Nov. 6, 1965 when the Irish had nine rushing touchdowns in a 69-13 rout of Pittsburgh.

► Notre Dame rushed for 266 yards on 29 carries in the 59-33 rout of Air Force on Oct. 8. The Irish rushed for 735 yards in victories over Pittsburgh, Purdue and Air Force. Notre Dame recorded 182 yards against the Panthers and 287 yards against the Boilermakers. The Irish had not rushed for more yards over a three-game span since 2003 when Notre Dame totaled 804 yards on the ground against Navy (280), BYU (204) and Stanford (320), respectively.

► Notre Dame surpassed 250 yards rushing in back-to-back weeks on Oct. 1 and Oct. 8 (287 at Purdue and 266 against Air Force). The Irish had not gone back-to-back weeks with 250+ yards on the ground since Nov. 11 and Nov. 18, 2000. Notre Dame galloped for 380 and 295 against Boston College and Rutgers, respectively.

► Notre Dame rushed for 469 yards in consecutive road games at Pittsburgh (182) and at Purdue (287). The Irish had not posted a higher rushing total over back-to-back road games since 2000 (Notre Dame had 541 yards on the ground in victories at Rutgers and USC).

► The Irish rushed for 287 yards in the rout of Purdue on Oct. 1 – the most for Notre Dame since it ran for 320 yards at Stanford on Nov. 29, 2003.

► Notre Dame averaged a remarkable 8.0 yards per rush in victories over Purdue and Air Force – 287 yards on 40 carries against the Boilermakers and 266 yards on 29 carries against the Falcons.

► Notre Dame averaged an astounding 9.2 yards per rush in the rout of Air Force on Oct. 8. This came one week after the Irish averaged 7.2 yards per rush at Purdue. The 7.2 yards per rush average against the Boilermakers was the highest for Notre Dame since Nov. 9, 1996 (when the Irish averaged 7.3 yards per carry; minimum 20 carries). The Irish rushed for 426 yards on 58 carries in a 48-21 rout of Boston College in Chestnut Hill.

► Just how good was 9.2 yards per carry? Notre Dame has not posted a higher per carry average (minimum 20 rushes) since the start of the 1950 season (when complete box scores became available). The 9.2 yards per carry is just off the school record. Notre Dame averaged 12.9 yards per rush (464 yards on 36 carries) against Kalamazoo on Sept. 29, 1923. It fell just shy of the modern school record as well – 10.0 yards per carry against Great Lakes on Dec. 5, 1942 (250 yards on 25 rushes).

POINTS-A-PLenty

► Notre Dame ranks tied for 29th in the FBS in scoring/game (32.00), which would also rank 15th-best since 1946 (modern era). Here is where the 2011 Notre Dame offense would rank compared to the most potent scoring offenses in school history.

Rank	Year	Ppg.
1.	1968	37.6
2.	1992	37.2
3.	1996	37.0
4.	2005	36.7
5.	1993	36.6
6.	1966	36.2
7.	1949	36.0
8.	1973	35.8
9.	1991	35.5
10.	1977	34.7
--	2011	32.0

► Notre Dame has scored 45 or more points on three different occasions in 2011 – each in the last six contests. The Irish have not had a season with at least three games of 45 or more points since 1996. The '96 squad had five games with 45 or more points.

► Notre Dame has eclipsed the 50-point barrier twice in its last six games. The Irish had not surpassed 50 points in multiple games in the same season since 1996 when Notre Dame registered 50 or more points in four games.

► Prior to the Air Force contest on Oct. 8, Notre Dame had not eclipsed 50 points in a game since Nov. 29, 2003, when the Irish routed Stanford (57-7) – a span of 93 games.

► The 2011 edition of the Notre Dame offense is just the ninth Irish squad since 1946 to collect multiple 50+ point games.

► The Irish scored 132 points in games against Air Force, USC and Navy. Notre Dame has not posted more points over a three-game stretch since 1996 when the Irish scored 142 points in three games against Pittsburgh, Rutgers and USC.

► Notre Dame is one of 15 teams in the FBS this season to eclipse 56 points in multiple games. The Irish are one of 11 FBS squads to accomplish the feat against exclusively FBS opponents. The only teams with more 56+ point games against multiple FBS foes – Houston (five), Oklahoma State (four) and Stanford (three).

BALANCED ATTACK

► Notre Dame is 4-0 this season when it runs the ball more than it passes (Michigan State, Navy, Wake Forest and Maryland). When the Irish run the ball on at least 42 percent of their plays, they are 8-1 in 2011 (the lone defeat coming on Sept. 10 at Michigan).

► Notre Dame is one of 10 FBS schools (six among a BCS AQ conference) that rank in the top 37 in total offense, total defense, scoring offense and scoring defense.

► The Irish had seven different players register a touchdown in the 59-33 rout of Air Force. The last time the Irish had at least seven different players score touchdowns – Oct. 9, 1999 against Arizona State.

► The 59 points scored for the Irish were the most since Nov. 23, 1996, when Notre Dame shutout Rutgers, 62-0, in Lou Holtz's last game as head coach at Notre Dame Stadium.

► Junior WR **Robby Toma** collected his first career touchdown reception. Toma hauled in a 10-yard pass from Rees with 4:07 to go in the first quarter to give the Irish a 21-3 lead over Air Force.

Eye On Career Records

Total Offense Yards per Attempt - Career

1.	John Huarte	7.46 (1962-64)
2.	George Gipp	7.39 (1917-20)
3.	Jarius Jackson	7.34 (1996-99)
4.	Rick Mirer	7.04 (1989-92)
5.	Joe Theismann	6.73 (1968-70)
6.	Tommy Rees	6.54 (2010-)
7.	Brady Quinn	6.44 (2003-06)

Total Offense Yards per Game - Season

1.	Brady Quinn	334.1 (2005)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	302.3 (2009)
3.	Joe Theismann	281.3 (1970)
4.	Brady Quinn	269.0 (2006)
5.	Jarius Jackson	268.1 (1999)
6.	Terry Hanratty	249.3 (1968)
7.	Tommy Rees	239.1 (2011)
8.	Jimmy Clausen	238.4 (2008)
9.	Dayne Crist	234.1 (2010)
10.	Brady Quinn	215.3 (2004)

Total Yards per Game - Career

1.	Brady Quinn	243.8 (2003-06)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	222.7 (2007-09)
3.	Joe Theismann	187.3 (1968-70)
4.	Tommy Rees	186.7 (2010-)
5.	Terry Hanratty	182.2 (1966-68)
6.	Rick Mirer	159.3 (1989-92)
7.	Steve Beuerlein	153.8 (1983-86)

Rushing/Receiving Yards - Season (Non-QB)

1.	Allen Pinkett	1,682 (1983)
2.	Darius Walker	1,658 (2006)
3.	Darius Walker	1,547 (2005)
4.	Vagas Ferguson	1,509 (1979)
5.	Autry Denson	1,443 (1997)
6.	Reggie Brooks	1,367 (1992)
7.	Allen Pinkett	1,362 (1984)
8.	Julius Jones	1,321 (2003)
9.	Autry Denson	1,290 (1996)
10.	Raghib Ismail	1,278 (1990)
--	Cierre Wood	1,176 (2011)

Total Touchdowns - Career

1.	Allen Pinkett	53 (1982-85)
2.	Autry Denson	47 (1995-98)
3.	Michael Floyd	36 (2008-)
	Louis (Red) Salmon	36 (1900-03)
5.	Vagas Ferguson	35 (1976-79)
6.	Anthony Johnson	34 (1986-89)
7.	Marc Edwards	32 (1993-96)
8.	Stan Cofall	30 (1914-16)
	Golden Tate	30 (2007-09)
10.	Neil Worden	29 (1951-53)
	Julius Jones	29 (1999-01, '03)

Eye On Career Records

Scoring - Career

1. Allen Pinkett	320
2. Craig Hentrich	294
3. Austry Denson	282
4. Louis (Red) Salmon	250***
5. Nicholas Setta	248
6. Dave Reeve	247
7. Stan Cofall	246
8. John Carney	223
9. Michael Floyd	216
10. Vagas Ferguson	210

***Salmon's TD and FG worth five pts each

Points Responsibility - Season

1. Brady Quinn, 2006	234
2. Brady Quinn, 2005	198
3. Jimmy Clausen, 2009	186
4. Rick Mirer, 1991	162
5. Jimmy Clausen, 2008	150
6. Jarius Jackson, 1999	146
7. Ron Powlus, 1994	130
8. Ron Mohardt, 1921	126
9. Joe Theismann, 1970	124
10. Brady Quinn, 2004	120
-- Tommy Rees, 2011	114

Points Responsibility per Game - Season

1. Brady Quinn, 2006	(234 in 13)	18.0
2. Brady Quinn, 2005	(198 in 12)	16.5
3. Jimmy Clausen, 2009	(186 in 12)	15.5
4. Rick Mirer, 1992	(162 in 12)	13.5
5. Dayne Crist, 2010	(114 in 9)	12.7
6. Joe Theismann, 1970	(124 in 10)	12.4
7. Jarius Jackson, 1999	(146 in 12)	12.2
8. Ron Powlus, 1994	(130 in 11)	11.82
9. John Huarte, 1964	(118 in 10)	11.80
10. Jimmy Clausen, 2008	(150 in 13)	11.50

Tackles - Game

1. Bob Golic	26	vs. Michigan, Sept. 23, 1978
Bob Crable	26	vs. Clemson, Nov. 17, 1979
3. Chinendum Ndukwe	22	at Air Force, Nov. 11, 2006
Bob Golic	22	vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 14, 1978
Jeff Weston	22	vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1975
6. Manti Te'o	21	vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010
7. Bob Crable	20	at Michigan, Sept. 19, 1981
8. Bob Golic	19	vs. Purdue, Sept. 30, 1978
Bob Crable	19	vs. Michigan, Sept. 20, 1980
Bob Crable	19	at Georgia Tech, Nov. 8, 1980
Bob Crable	19	at Alabama, Nov. 15, 1980
Bob Crable	19	vs. Florida State, Oct. 10, 1981

► Freshman RB **George Atkinson III** collected his first career touchdown run. Atkinson III leapt in the end zone from one-yard out to make the score, 59-19, in favor of Notre Dame. Twin brother DB **Josh Atkinson** also made his Irish debut against the Falcons.

► During Notre Dame's recent four-game winning streak, the Irish were incredibly balanced on offense, scoring nine rushing touchdowns and nine passing touchdowns. Notre Dame rushed the ball on 48 percent of its plays over the streak and 48 percent of its offensive yards were on the ground. The Irish averaged 6.4 yards on running plays and 6.5 yards on total pass plays in the four games.

IRISH EFFICIENT ON FIRST & SECOND DOWN

► Notre Dame has a 68.8% completion percentage (117 for 170) on first down. Sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** is 105 for 157 (66.9%) for 49 first downs and six touchdowns on first down. The Irish (92 for 134, 68.7%) and Rees (89 for 126, 70.6%) are nearly as good on second down.

► Rees is also completing 60.5% (52 for 86) of his passes on third down. Here is an impressive comparison of third-down passing between Rees during his first two seasons against former Irish signal callers Brady Quinn (junior and senior campaigns) and Jimmy Clausen (sophomore and junior seasons).

3rd Down Completion Percentage

Player (Year)	Pct. (Cmp-Att)	Player (Year)	Pct. (Cmp-Att)	Player (Year)	Pct. (Cmp-Att)
Tommy Rees (2010)	57.1% (28-49)	Brady Quinn (2005)	60.2% (59-98)	Jimmy Clausen (2008)	47.9% (46-96)
Tommy Rees (2011)	60.5% (52-86)	Brady Quinn (2006)	48.5% (50-103)	Jimmy Clausen (2009)	52.4% (44-84)

► Senior RB **Jonas Gray** and junior RB **Cierre Wood** are averaging 6.9 and 5.4 yards per carry, respectively, this season. Gray is also averaging 7.7 yards per carry on first down, while Wood is picking up 5.4 yards per first down rush. Gray is averaging 6.1 yards per rush on second down and Wood is averaging 5.8 yards per rush on second down. Here is a complete breakdown of their season.

	Total				1st Down				2nd Down				3rd Down				4th Down			
	Att.	Avg.	1st	TD	Att.	Avg.	1st	TD	Att.	Avg.	1st	TD	Att.	Avg.	1st	TD	Att.	Avg.	1st	TD
Cierre Wood	187	5.4	51	9	102	5.4	19	6	61	5.8	20	2	23	3.8	11	1	1	10.0	1	0
Jonas Gray	114	6.9	38	12	62	7.7	13	4	36	6.1	15	5	15	6.0	10	2	1	1.0	0	1

WHO TO LOOK TO ON THIRD DOWN?

► Junior TE **Tyler Eifert**, senior WR **Michael Floyd**, junior WR **Theo Riddick**, sophomore WR **TJ Jones**, senior WR **John Goodman** and junior WR **Robby Toma** have registered 17, 12, four, four, two and one first down receptions, respectively, on third down passing plays. In fact, of Eifert's 19 third-down grabs, 17 have produced either a first down or touchdown.

OFFENSIVE LINE PAVES THE WAY

► Notre Dame's offensive line allowed 1.54 sacks per game in 2010, the best by an Irish group since 1998. The position has actually improved this year as Notre Dame has been sacked only eight times (or 0.73 per game) on 401 passes attempted or 409 actual pass attempts when including the pass plays that ultimately resulted in sacks. In other words, the Irish are yielding a sack once out of every 51.1 pass attempts or just 1.96% of true pass attempts.

► Notre Dame's offensive line put the "0" in October as the group allowed zero sacks in October. In fact, the Irish did not allow a sack in 195 consecutive pass attempts, spanning from the third quarter at Pittsburgh on Sept. 24 until the second quarter of the victory over Maryland on Nov. 12. The Terps did finish the contest with three sacks.

► Notre Dame has helped seven of its opponents in 2011 without a sack, including USC (28th) and Michigan (35th) — both of whom rank in the top 40 in the FBS in sacks/game. In fact, the Irish rank seventh in the FBS in fewest sacks allowed despite having faced five teams that rank among the top 35 in sacks/game (does not include Stanford, which enters this weekend ranked eighth in the FBS in sacks/game)

► Notre Dame held USC without a sack for the first time since the 1998 meeting.

► Notre Dame is tied for seventh in the FBS in overall sacks allowed (eight) and sacks allowed per game (0.73).

FBS Sacks Allowed Leaders

School	Sacks	Sack Yds	Sacks/Game
1. Oklahoma	6.0	35	.60
Middle Tennessee	6.0	41	.60
3. Texas A&M	7.0	33	.64
USC	7.0	45	.64
Northern Illinois	7.0	52	.64
6. Boise State	7.0	40	.70
7. Notre Dame	8.0	52	.73
8. San Diego State	8.0	68	.80
9. Ball State	9.0	52	.82
Air Force	9.0	55	.82
Toledo	9.0	61	.82
Stanford	9.0	62	.82

► Only four schools in the FBS — Oklahoma (463), USC (405), Texas A&M (447) and Middle Tennessee State (436) — have allowed fewer sacks per game with as many pass attempts as the Irish (401).

► The Irish rank in the top 16 in the FBS in sacks allowed per game and rushing yards per carry. Notre Dame is allowing 0.73 sacks/game (seventh in the FBS) and is averaging 5.27 yards/rush (16th in the FBS). The Irish are one of eight teams to rank in the top 16 in both categories (Air Force, Army, Georgia Tech, Northern Illinois, Oregon, Stanford and Texas A&M are the others).

EXPLOSIVE RUSHING ATTACK

► Notre Dame has already had three different players – senior RB **Jonas Gray** (79), junior RB **Cierre Wood** (55) and sophomore QB **Andrew Hendrix** (78) – register runs of 50 yards or longer. The Irish have not had three separate players record runs of 50 yards or longer in the same season since 2001 when **Carlyle Holiday** (67), **Julius Jones** (59) and **Tony Fisher** (55) accomplished the feat.

► Notre Dame has collected 26 runs of 15 yards or longer already in 2011. Junior RB **Cierre Wood** leads the Irish with 13 such carries, while senior RB **Jonas Gray** has added 11, sophomore QB **Andrew Hendrix** has one and freshman RB **George Atkinson III** has one. Notre Dame is on pace for 31 runs of 15 yards or longer. The Irish recorded 26 in 2010.

► Notre Dame senior RB **Jonas Gray** (136), junior RB **Cierre Wood** (104, 134, 191) and sophomore QB **Andrew Hendrix** (111) have all recorded a 100-yard rushing game this season. The Irish have not had three different players register 100-yard games in the same season since 2001 when **Tony Fisher**, **Carlyle Holiday** and **Julius Jones** all rushed for 100 yards or more in a game.

► Notre Dame is averaging 5.27 rushing yards per carry in 2011, which would fall shy of the modern school record set during the 1992 season (5.6 yards per carry). The all-time school record was put up by Knute Rockne's 1921 squad (6.2 yards per rush).

► Notre Dame ranks 16th in the FBS in yards per carry.

FBS Rushing Yards Per Carry Leaders

School	Carries	Net	Avg
1. Oregon	477	3127	6.56
2. Utah State	457	2739	5.99
3. Northern Illinois	487	2876	5.91
4. Georgia Tech	608	3559	5.85
5. Air Force	619	3500	5.65
6. Wisconsin	477	2696	5.65
7. Army	690	3860	5.59
8. Alabama	438	2425	5.54
9. Houston	340	1879	5.53
10. Navy	628	3451	5.50
16. Notre Dame	367	1935	5.27

► Notre Dame averages a touchdown every 15.29 carries, which ranks 15th-best in the FBS.

FBS Leaders Touchdowns/Carry

School	Carries	Touchdowns	Touchdowns/Carry
1. Houston	340	30	11.33
2. Oklahoma St.	344	30	11.47
3. Wisconsin	477	39	12.23
4. Utah St.	457	34	13.44
5. Alabama	438	32	13.69
6. Arkansas	354	25	14.16
7. Georgia Tech	608	42	14.48
8. Hawaii	261	18	14.50
9. Stanford	426	29	14.69
10. Oklahoma	354	24	14.75
15. Notre Dame	367	24	15.29

QUICK STRIKE OFFENSE

► Notre Dame's first touchdown at Wake Forest on Nov. 5 – a 38-yard touchdown pass from sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** to junior TE **Tyler Eifert** – came via a scoring drive that lasted only 23 seconds. It was Notre Dame's 12th touchdown drive in 2011 that took less than two minutes. It also was the ninth touchdown drive for the Irish this season that took four plays or less.

► Notre Dame's first touchdown at Purdue on Oct. 1 – a 35-yard TD pass from sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** to senior WR **Michael Floyd** – came just 24 seconds into the first quarter. It was Notre Dame's earliest touchdown to open a game since Floyd hauled in an 80-yard TD pass from senior QB **Dayne Crist** on the first play from scrimmage against Western Michigan on Oct. 16, 2010. That Floyd score came just 12 seconds into the contest.

► The 10-second scoring drive was the fastest for the Irish since an eight second touchdown drive against the Broncos. Floyd hauled in a 32-yard TD pass from senior WR **John Goodman** on that drive.

► Notre Dame added its second one-play touchdown drive of 2011 in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29. Senior WR **Michael Floyd** hauled in a 56-yard touchdown pass from sophomore QB **Tommy Rees**. Senior RB **Jonas Gray** had a 79-yard touchdown run on the other one-play Irish scoring drive.

Eye On Career Records

Tackles - Career

1. Bob Crable	521 (1978-81)
2. Bob Golic	479 (1975-78)
3. Steve Heimkreiter	398 (1975-78)
4. Bob Olson	369 (1967-69)
5. Tony Furjanic	361 (1982-85)
6. Mike Kovaleski	353 (1983-86)
7. Ross Browner	340 (1973, 1975-77)
8. Maurice Crum Jr.	306 (2005-08)
9. Tom Zbikowski	300 (2004-07)
10. Harrison Smith	299 (2007-)
Manti Te'o	299 (2009-)

Tackles - Season - Defensive Back

1. Kyle McCarthy	110 (2008)
2. Kyle McCarthy	101 (2009)
3. Chinedum Ndukwe	98 (2006)
4. David Bruton	97 (2008)
5. Harrison Smith	93 (2010)
6. Steve Lawrence	92 (1985)
7. A'Jani Sanders	91 (1999)
8. David Bruton	85 (2007)
9. Brian Magee	81 (1994)
Glenn Earl	81 (2002)
-- Harrison Smith	80 (2011)

Tackles - Career - Defensive Back

1. Tom Zbikowski	300 (2004-07)
2. Kyle McCarthy	240 (2005-09)
3. Jim Browner	228 (1976-78)
4. A'Jani Sanders	225 (1996-99)
5. David Bruton	214 (2005-08)
6. Harrison Smith	213 (2007-)
Brian Magee	206 (1992-95)
8. Deke Cooper	203 (1997-99)
9. Jeff Burris	189 (1991-93)
10. John Covington	184 (1990-93)
Stacey Toran	184 (1980-83)

Tackles for Loss - Career

1. Ross Browner	77-515 (1973, 1975-77)
2. Kory Minor	44.5-209 (1995-98)
3. Justin Tuck	42-209 (2002-04)
Anthony Weaver	42-121 (1998-2001)
5. Victor Abiamiri	40-219 (2003-06)
Walt Patulski	40-264 (1969-71)
7. Courtney Watson	39-151 (2000-03)
8. Scott Zetek	38-212 (1976-80)
9. Brandon Hoyte	36-119 (2002-05)
10. Derek Landri	34.5-136 (2002-06)
-- Darius Fleming	31.5-128 (2008-)

Eye On Career Records

Sacks - Career

1. Justin Tuck	24.5 (2002-04)
2. Kory Minor	22.5 (1995-98)
3. Victor Abiamiri	21.5 (2003-06)
4. Mike Gann	21 (1981-84)
5. Renaldo Wynn	19.5 (1993-96)
6. Ryan Roberts	19 (1999-2002)
7. Bryant Young	18 (1990-93)
8. Anthony Weaver	17 (1998-2001)
9. Bert Berry	16.5 (1993-96)
10. Darius Fleming	15.0 (2008-)

Interceptions - Game

1. 14 players with 3
(MR: Harrison Smith, vs. Miami, Fla., Dec. 31, 2010)

Interceptions - Season

1. Mike Townsend	10 (1972)
2. Tom MacDonald	9 (1962)
3. Angelo Bertelli	8 (1942)
Tony Carey	8 (1964)
Todd Lyght	8 (1989)
6. Harrison Smith	7 (2010)
Tom Schoen	7 (1966)
Clarence Ellis	7 (1970)
Dave Duerson	7 (1982)
Shane Walton	7 (2002)

Interception Return Yards - Game

1. Luther Bradley	103	at Purdue, Sept. 20, 1975
2. Bobbie Howard	89	vs. LSU, Nov 21, 1998
3. Dave Duerson	88	at Miami (Fla.), Nov. 27, 1981
4. Robert Blanton	83	vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2011
Tom Zbikowski	83	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
6. Tom Carter	79	vs. Tennessee, Nov. 9, 1991

Passes Broken Up - Season

1. Clarence Ellis	13 (1969)
2. Dave Waymer	12 (1978)
3. Raeshon McNeil	11 (2008)
Luther Bradley	11 (1973)
Tom Schoen	11 (1967)
6. Ralph Stepaniak	10 (1969)
David Martin	10 (1966)
Thomas O'Leary	10 (1966)
Tony Carey	10 (1964)
Tom Longo	10 (1964)
Dennis Phillips	10 (1963)
-- Harrison Smith	9 (2011)

Passes Broken Up - Career

1. Clarence Ellis	32 (1969-71)
2. Harrison Smith	27 (2007-)
Luther Bradley	27 (1973-77)
4. Shane Walton	25 (1999-02)
5. Dave Waymer	22 (1976-79)
6. Todd Lyght	20.5 (1987-90)
7. Darrin Walls	20 (2006-10)
Ralph Stepaniak	20 (1969-71)
9. Thomas O'Leary	19 (1965-67)
Vontez Duff	18 (2000-03)

▶ Notre Dame has registered 12 touchdown drives of under two minutes, including a pair in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29.

Drive Time Scoring Play

Drive Time	Scoring Play	Opponent (Date)
0:10	Michael Floyd 35-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Purdue (Oct. 1)
0:14	Jonas Gray 79-yard run	Pittsburgh (Sept. 24)
0:22	Michael Floyd 56-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Navy (Oct. 29)
0:23	Tyler Eifert 38-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Wake Forest (Nov. 5)
0:42	Theo Riddick 29-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Michigan (Sept. 10)
1:03	Cierre Wood 55-yard run	Purdue (Oct. 1)
1:09	Theo Riddick 24-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Air Force (Oct. 8)
1:21	Michael Floyd 24-yard pass from Tommy Rees	USF (Sept. 3)
1:37	Jonas Gray two-yard run	Navy (Oct. 29)
1:41	Robby Toma 10-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Air Force (Oct. 8)
1:54	Jonas Gray six-yard run	Air Force (Oct. 8)
1:58	Michael Floyd eight-yard pass from Tommy Rees	USF (Sept. 3)

▶ Notre Dame has registered nine touchdown drives that needed just four plays or less.

Plays Scoring Play

Plays	Scoring Play	Opponent (Date)
1-79	Jonas Gray 79-yard run	Pittsburgh (Sept. 24)
1-56	Michael Floyd 56-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Navy (Oct. 29)
2-50	Tyler Eifert 38-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Wake Forest (Nov. 5)
2-35	Michael Floyd 35-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Purdue (Oct. 1)
3-79	Cierre Wood 55-yard run	Purdue (Oct. 1)
4-22	Jonas Gray two-yard run	Navy (Oct. 29)
4-51	Robby Toma 10-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Air Force (Oct. 8)
4-61	Theo Riddick 29-yard pass from Tommy Rees	Michigan (Sept. 10)
4-80	George Atkinson III one-yard run	Air Force (Oct. 8)

NOTRE DAME HURRY-UP

▶ Notre Dame second-year head coach Brian Kelly's no-huddle, up-tempo offense was on full display in the 45-24 rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. The Irish ran a season-high and Kelly-era high 84 plays against the Terps. Surprisingly, Kelly never ran as many as 84 offensive plays in his tenure at Cincinnati. Notre Dame has not run more plays in a regulation, non-overtime game since Nov. 26, 2005 at Stanford. The Irish ran 88 plays and totaled 663 yards of total offense in a 38-31 victory over the Cardinal.

▶ Notre Dame did run 90 plays in their triple-overtime loss to Navy on Nov. 3, 2007.

▶ Notre Dame's first four scoring drives (three touchdowns, one field goal) against Maryland on Nov. 12 took eight plays, 11 plays, seven plays and 13 plays, respectively, but not one of those scoring drives took longer than 4:43. In fact, three of those drives took only 2:39, 2:33 and 2:31.

▶ Notre Dame ran 49 plays in the first half alone.

FLOYD IN THE NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

▶ Senior WR **Michael Floyd** – a Biletnikoff Award semifinalist – owns Notre Dame school records in career receptions (258), career receiving yards (3,553), career touchdown receptions (35), career receiving yards per game (86.7) and career 100-yard receiving games (17).

▶ Floyd's 35 career touchdown catches rank him tied for 21st in NCAA FBS history.

FBS Career Touchdown Receptions Leaders

	Player, School	Years	TD Receptions
14.	Clarkston Hines, Duke	1986-89	38
	Marcus Harris, Wyoming	1993-96	38
16.	Justin Blackmon, Oklahoma State	2009-	37
17.	Terance Mathis, New Mexico	1985-87, 89	36
	Roy Williams, Texas	2000-03	36
	James Hardy, Indiana	2005-07	36
	Ryan Grice-Mullens, Hawaii	2005-07	36
t-21.	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	2008-	35

▶ Floyd's 258 career catches leave him 14 shy of 25th in NCAA FBS history. He has the chance to become the ninth wideout in FBS history to rank among the top 25 all-time in both touchdown receptions and catches.

FBS Career Receptions Leaders

	Player, School	Years	Receptions
21.	Troy Edwards, Louisiana Tech	1996-98	280
22.	Eric Page, Toledo	2009-	277
23.	Jordan White, Western Michigan	2006-	274
24.	Darius Watts, Marshall	2000-03	272
25.	Vincent Marshall, Houston	2003-06	272
--	Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	2008-	258

- ▶ Floyd has a reception in 40 of the 41 games he has suited up for the Irish. The only game he failed to make a reception came against Navy in 2008 when he was injured early in the first quarter while blocking down field.
- ▶ Floyd hauled in a 19-yard touchdown pass from sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** with 8:29 to go in the second quarter to give the Irish a 17-0 lead over Maryland on Nov. 12.
- ▶ The touchdown catch was Floyd's 35th of his career (already a school record) and 36th total touchdown, which equals Louis (Red) Salmon (1900-03) for third all-time at Notre Dame. Only two Irish players have more career touchdowns – Allen Pinkett (53, 1982-85) and Autry Denson (47, 1995-98).
- ▶ Floyd eclipsed the 100-yard receiving mark for the fourth time in 2011 and 17th time in his career. He had six catches for 121 yards and two touchdowns (one rushing and one receiving) against Navy on Oct. 29.
- ▶ Floyd has played in 41 career games, and in two of them (at Navy in 2008 and vs. Michigan State in 2009) he missed most of the action following an injury. Yet, Floyd has 17 career 100-yard receiving games over the other 39 games played.

TD Receptions – Career

		35 (2008-)
1. Michael Floyd		
2. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)	
3. Golden Tate	26 (2007-09)	
4. Rhema McKnight	22 (2003-06)	
	Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
6. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)	
7. Maurice Stovall	18 (2002-05)	
8. Jim Seymour	16 (1966-68)	
9. Ken MacAfee	15 (1974-77)	
10. Tim Brown	12 (1984-87)	
	Bobby Brown	12 (1996-99)

Receptions – Career

		258 (2008-)
1. Michael Floyd		
2. Jeff Samardzija	179 (2003-06)	
3. Rhema McKnight	170 (2002-06)	
4. Golden Tate	157 (2007-09)	
	Tom Gatewood	157 (1969-71)
6. Jim Seymour	138 (1966-68)	
7. Tim Brown	137 (1984-87)	
8. Maurice Stovall	130 (2002-05)	
9. Derrick Mayes	129 (1992-95)	
10. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)	

Games with 100 Yards - Career

		17 (2008-)
1. Michael Floyd		
2. Golden Tate	15 (2007-09)	
3. Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)	
4. Derrick Mayes	9 (1992-95)	
	Jeff Samardzija	9 (2003-06)
6. Maurice Stovall	7 (2002-05)	
7. Jim Seymour	6 (1966-68)	
	Tim Brown	6 (1984-87)

Receiving Yards - Career

		3553 (2008-)
1. Michael Floyd		
2. Golden Tate	2707 (2007-09)	
3. Jeff Samardzija	2593 (2003-06)	
4. Derrick Mayes	2512 (1992-95)	
5. Tim Brown	2493 (1984-87)	
6. Tom Gatewood	2283 (1969-71)	
7. Rhema McKnight	2277 (2002-06)	
8. Maurice Stovall	2195 (2002-05)	
9. Jim Seymour	2113 (1966-68)	
10. Tony Hunter	1897 (1979-82)	

Receiving Yards Per Game - Career

		86.7 (2008-)
1. Michael Floyd		
2. Jim Seymour	81.3 (1966-68)	
3. Tom Gatewood	76.1 (1969-71)	
4. Golden Tate	73.2 (2007-09)	

- ▶ Floyd has now recorded 36 touchdowns over his Irish career. He ranks tied for third in school history. Floyd also ranks ninth in school history in career points.

Total Touchdowns - Career

		36 (2008-)
1. Allen Pinkett	53 (1982-85)	
2. Autry Denson	47 (1995-98)	
3. Michael Floyd		
	Louis (Red) Salmon	36 (1900-03)
5. Vagas Ferguson	35 (1976-79)	
6. Anthony Johnson	34 (1986-89)	
7. Marc Edwards	32 (1993-96)	
8. Stan Cofall	30 (1914-16)	
	Golden Tate	30 (2007-09)
10. Neil Worden	29 (1951-53)	
	Julius Jones	29 (1999-01, '03)

Scoring - Career

		216 (2008-11)
1. Allen Pinkett	320 (1982-85)	
2. Craig Hentrich	294 (1989-92)	
3. Autry Denson	282 (1995-98)	
4. Louis (Red) Salmon	250 (1900-03)	
5. Nicholas Setta	248 (2000-03)	
6. Dave Reeve	247 (1974-77)	
7. Stan Cofall	246 (1914-16)	
8. John Carney	223 (1984-86)	
9. Michael Floyd		
10. Vagas Ferguson	210 (1976-79)	

Eye On Career Records

Field Goals - Game

1. Nick Tausch	5	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
	Nicholas Setta	5 vs. Washington State, Sept. 6, 2003
	Nicholas Setta	5 vs. Maryland, Aug. 31, 2002
	Craig Hentrich	5 vs. Miami, Oct. 20, 1990
5. Brandon Walker	4	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 1, 2008
	D.J. Fitzpatrick	4 vs. BYU, Nov. 15, 2003
	Reggie Ho	4 vs. Michigan, Sept. 10, 1988
	John Carney	4 vs. SMU, Nov. 8, 1986
	John Carney	4 at Michigan, Sept. 14, 1985
	Harry Oliver	4 vs. Miami, Oct. 11, 1980
	Harry Oliver	4 at Michigan State, Oct. 4, 1980
	Chuck Male	4 at Michigan, Sept. 15, 1979

Field Goals - Season

1. John Carney	21-28 (1986)	
2. Mike Johnson	19-22 (1982)	
3. David Ruffer	18-19 (2010)	
	Harry Oliver	18-23 (1980)
	John Carney	18-22 (1985)
6. Nick Tausch	14-17 (2009)	
	Brandon Walker	14-24 (2008)
	Nicholas Setta	14-25 (2002)
9. Mike Johnson	12-21 (1983)	

Field Goal Percentage - Season (min. 15 attempts)

1. David Ruffer, 2010	18-19 (.947)
2. John Carney, 1984	17-19 (.895)

Most Consecutive Field Goals - Season

1. David Ruffer	18 (2010)
2. Nick Tausch	14 (2009)
3. Mike Johnston	13 (1982)

Most Consecutive Field Goals - Career

1. David Ruffer (Pittsburgh '09 – Miami, Fla. '10)	23	
2. Nick Tausch (Michigan '09 – Washington St. '09)	14	
3. Mike Johnston (Michigan '82 – Oregon '82)	13	
4. John Carney (Navy '84 – Michigan '85)	10	
5. Nicholas Setta (USC '00 – USC '01)	9	
	Nicholas Setta (Washington State '03 – Purdue '03)	9
	D.J. Fitzpatrick (Navy '03 – BYU '04)	9
8. Chuck Male (Miami '78 – Georgia Tech '78)	8	
	Chuck Male (Michigan '79 – Michigan State '79)	8
	John Carney (Air Force '86 – Penn State '86)	8

Consecutive Games with Field Goals

1. Nicholas Setta	16 (2000-02)	
2. David Ruffer	11 (2009-10)	
	John Carney	11 (1986)

Eye On Career Records

Extra Points (PAT) - Season

1. D.J. Fitzpatrick	52-54 (2005)
2. Carl Gioia	49-53 (2006)
3. Craig Henrich	48-48 (1991)
4. Kevin Pendergast	45-48 (1993)
Scott Hempel	45-50 (1968)
6. Nicholas Setta	44-45 (2000)
Craig Henrich	44-46 (1992)
Craig Henrich	44-45 (1989)
9. David Ruffer	43-43 (2011)
Bob Thomas	43-45 (1973)

Consecutive Extra Points

1. Craig Henrich	136
(9-30-89 vs. Purdue to 9-26-92 vs. Purdue)	
2. Nicholas Setta	92
(10-7-00 vs. Stanford to 10-11-03 ended by injury)	
3. Bob Thomas	62
(11-6-71 vs. Pittsburgh to 10-23-73 vs. Army)	
4. D.J. Fitzpatrick	61
(11-6-04 at Tennessee to 11-26-05 at Stanford)	
5. Brandon Walker	60
(10-6-07 at UCLA to career ended in 2010)	
6. David Ruffer	59
(10-30-10 vs. Tulsa to Current)	
7. Mike Johnson	53
(10-18-80 vs. Army to 11-19-83 vs. Air Force)	
8. Ted Gradel	35
(11-8-86 vs. SMU to 11-28-87 vs. Miami (Fla.))	

Extra Points Percentage - Season (min. 20 made)

1. Craig Henrich, 1991	48-48 (1.000)
David Ruffer, 2011	43-43 (2011)
Craig Henrich, 1990	41-41 (1.000)
Brandon Walker, 2008	39-39 (1.000)
Bob Thomas, 1972	34-34 (1.000)
Ted Gradel, 1987	33-33 (1.000)
Nicholas Setta, 2002	32-32 (1.000)
Stefan Schreffner, 1994	30-30 (1.000)
John Carney, 1984	25-25 (1.000)
Nicholas Setta, 2001	23-23 (1.000)

Points by Kicking - Game

1. Nick Tausch (17)	5 FGs, 2 PATs
vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009	
Nicholas Setta (17)	5 FGs, 2 PATs
vs. Washington State, Sept. 6, 2003	
Craig Henrich (17)	5 FGs, 2 PATs
vs. Miami, Oct. 20, 1990	
4. Nicholas Setta (16)	5 FGs, 1 PAT
vs. Maryland, Aug. 31, 2002	
5. Brandon Walker (15)	4 FGs, 3 PATs
vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 1, 2008	

▶ Among active FBS receivers, Floyd ranks third in career receiving touchdowns (35), fourth in career receiving yards (3,553), sixth in career receptions (258), seventh in career receiving yards per game (86.7), eighth in career receptions per game (6.29) and 13th in total touchdowns (36).

Active FBS WRs - Career Receiving Yards

1. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	4,586
2. Jordan White, Western Michigan	3,665
3. Kendall Wright, Baylor	3,622
4. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	3,553
5. T.Y. Hilton, FIU	3,427

Active FBS WRs - Career Touchdown Receptions

1. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	45
2. Justin Blackmon, Oklahoma State	37
3. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	35
4. Jeff Fuller, Texas A&M	32
5. Juron Criner, Arizona	30

Active FBS WRs - Career Receiving Yards/Game

1. Marquess Wilson, Washington State	99.4
2. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	95.5
3. Jordan White, Western Michigan	91.6
4. Justin Blackmon, Oklahoma State	91.2
5. Eric Page, Toledo	90.1
7. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	86.7

Active FBS WRs - Career Receptions/Game

1. Eric Page, Toledo	7.69
2. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	7.27
3. Jordan White, Western Michigan	6.85
4. Robert Woods, USC	6.83
5. Lance Lewis, East Carolina	6.77
8. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	6.29

Active FBS WRs - Career Receptions

1. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	349
2. Tyron Carrier, Houston	298
3. Kendall Wright, Baylor	283
4. Eric Page, Toledo	277
5. Jordan White, Western Michigan	274
6. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	258

Active FBS Players - Total Touchdowns

1. LaMichael James, Oregon	53
2. Montee Ball, Wisconsin	52
3. Bernard Pierce, Temple	49
Robert Turbin, Utah State	49
5. Ryan Broyles, Oklahoma	48
13. Michael Floyd, Notre Dame	36

▶ Floyd has 87 receptions for 1,014 yards and seven touchdown catches in 2011. He needs seven catches to surpass Golden Tate's school record for receptions in a single season. Floyd and Jeff Samardzija are the only wideouts in Notre Dame history with multiple seasons of at least 70 receptions. Samardzija had 78 in 2006 and 77 in 2005. Floyd had 79 in 2010.

▶ Floyd's 166 grabs over the last two seasons are the most by any Irish player in back-to-back years in school history. Samardzija combined for 155 in 2005-06.

▶ Floyd is the third wideout in Notre Dame history to have two separate seasons rank in the top 10 for receiving touchdowns in a single season (joined Golden Tate and Jeff Samardzija).

Receptions - Season

1. Golden Tate	93 (2009)
2. Michael Floyd	87 (2011)
3. Michael Floyd	79 (2010)
4. Jeff Samardzija	78 (2006)
5. Tom Gatewood	77 (1970)
Jeff Samardzija	77 (2005)
7. Maurice Stovall	69 (2005)
8. Rhema McKnight	67 (2006)
9. Jack Snow	60 (1964)
10. Golden Tate	58 (2008)
Arnaz Battle	58 (2002)

Touchdown Receptions - Season

1. Golden Tate	15 (2009)
Rhema McKnight	15 (2006)
Jeff Samardzija	15 (2005)
4. Michael Floyd	12 (2010)
Jeff Samardzija	12 (2006)
6. Derrick Mayes	11 (1994)
Maurice Stovall	11 (2005)
8. Golden Tate	10 (2008)
9. Michael Floyd	9 (2009)
Jack Snow	9 (1964)

▶ Floyd — who surpassed 1,000 yards receiving on the season last week against Boston College — became the third Irish wide receiver in school history with multiple 1,000-yard seasons (Jeff Samardzija and Golden Tate). His 2,039 receiving yards over the last two seasons are the third-most by any Irish player in back-to-back years in school history. Tate recorded 2,576 in 2008-09 and Samardzija had 2,266 in 2005-06.

▶ Floyd is the only wide receiver in school history to have at least four seasons with four or more 100-yard receiving games.

Receiving Yards - Season

1. Golden Tate	1496 (2009)
2. Jeff Samardzija	1249 (2005)
3. Maurice Stovall	1149 (2005)
4. Tom Gatewood	1123 (1970)
5. Jack Snow	1114 (1964)
6. Golden Tate	1080 (2008)
7. Michael Floyd	1025 (2011)
8. Jeff Samardzija	1017 (2006)
9. Michael Floyd	1014 (2011)
10. Tim Brown	910 (1986)

Games with 100 Yards - Season

1. Golden Tate	9 (2009)
2. Tom Gatewood	8 (1970)
3. Maurice Stovall	6 (2005)
4. Michael Floyd	5 (2009)
Golden Tate	5 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija	5 (2005)
7. Michael Floyd	4 (2011)
Michael Floyd	4 (2010)
Michael Floyd	4 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija	4 (2006)
Tom Gatewood	4 (1969)

- ▶ Among FBS receivers in 2011, Floyd ranks seventh in receptions (87), tied for ninth in receptions per game (7.91), 21st in receiving yards (1,014) and 22nd in receiving yards per game (92.18).
- ▶ Floyd recorded his first career rushing touchdown with 2:59 left in the third quarter to push the Irish lead to 42-7 over Navy on Oct. 29.
- ▶ Floyd registered 12 catches for 137 yards and one touchdown at Purdue on Oct. 1. The 12 receptions were just one shy of equaling his career-high of 13 set earlier this season at Michigan.
- ▶ Floyd became the second active FBS receiver to eclipse 3,000 career receiving yards.
- ▶ Floyd, who was held to four catches for 27 yards at Pittsburgh, surpassed that total on the second offensive play from scrimmage (35-yard TD catch) at Purdue.
- ▶ Floyd eclipsed the 100-yard mark in the first half alone against the Boilermakers.
- ▶ Floyd hauled in a 35-yard touchdown pass from sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** just 24 seconds into the first quarter to give the Irish a 7-0 lead at Purdue.
- ▶ Floyd recorded his 200th career reception on a 22-yard grab early in the third quarter in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State.
- ▶ Floyd finished the Michigan game with a career-high 13 receptions for 159 yards. The 13 catches were tied for the second-most in school history.
- ▶ Floyd became Notre Dame's all-time leader in career receiving yards following his 21-yard catch early in the first quarter against the Wolverines. Floyd bested the previous school record of 2,707 held by Golden Tate (2007-09).
- ▶ Floyd has eclipsed 10 receptions in a single-game eight times in his career and four times in 2011 — both are school records. He had never posted back-to-back games with 10 or more catches before the opening two games of 2011.
- ▶ Floyd is the only Notre Dame wideout to ever register five or more games with at least 11 catches. Jim Seymour is the only other Irish wide receiver to have multiple games with 11 or more receptions and he had two.

Receptions - Game

1.	Maurice Stovall	14	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
2.	Michael Floyd	13	at Michigan, Sept. 10, 2011
	Jim Seymour	13	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
4.	Michael Floyd	12	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011
	Michael Floyd	12	vs. USF, Sept. 3, 2011
	Tom Gatewood	12	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
	Bobby Brown	12	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
8.	Michael Floyd	11	at USC, Nov. 27, 2010
	Michael Floyd	11	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
	Golden Tate	11	vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009
	Jim Seymour	11	at USC, Nov. 26, 1966
	Jim Kelly	11	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962

- ▶ Floyd has recorded a school record nine multi-touchdown games over his Irish career.
- ▶ Floyd recorded three touchdown receptions against Western Michigan on Oct. 16, 2010 — the second such feat in his career. He also had three touchdown catches against Nevada on Sept. 5, 2009. Floyd is the third Notre Dame wideout to have three or more touchdown receptions in multiple games (Maurice Stovall, 2005; Golden Tate, 2009).

Touchdown Receptions - Game

1.	Maurice Stovall	4	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
2.	Michael Floyd	3	vs. Western Michigan, Oct. 16, 2010
	Michael Floyd	3	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
	Golden Tate	3	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
	Golden Tate	3	vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008
	Maurice Stovall	3	vs. Navy, Nov. 12, 2005
	Jeff Samardzija	3	vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2005
	Tom Gatewood	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
	Jim Seymour	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
	Jim Kelly	3	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
	Jim Mutscheller	3	vs. Michigan State, Oct. 28, 1950
	Bill Barrett	3	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 12, 1949
	Eddie Anderson	3	at Northwestern, Nov. 20, 1920

- ▶ Floyd is the first player in school history to register a touchdown catch of at least 80 yards more than once in his career. He actually has recorded three touchdown catches of at least 70 yards.
- ▶ Floyd still owns the school record for yards per reception in a single game. He recorded four catches for 189 yards and three touchdowns in the 35-0 rout of Nevada in the 2009 season opener. He averaged 47.3 yards per reception, which broke the previous school record of 41.6 yards per catch by Jim Morse against USC on Nov. 26, 1955.

Eye On Career Records

Points by Kicking - Season

1.	David Ruffer	18fg, 37xp, 91pts (2010)
2.	Craig Hentrich	16fg, 41xp, 89pts (1990)
3.	Kevin Pendergast	14fg, 45xp, 87pts (1993)
	John Carney	21fg, 24 xp, 87pts (1986)
5.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	11fg, 52xp, 85pts (2005)
6.	Brandon Walker	14fg, 39xp, 81pts (2008)
7.	John Carney	17fg, 25xp, 76pts (1984)
	Mike Johnston	19fg, 19xp, 76pts (1982)
9.	Nicholas Setta	14fg, 32xp, 74pts (2002)
	Craig Hentrich	10fg, 44xp, 74pts (1992)
--	David Ruffer	10fg, 43xp, 73pts (2011)

Points by Kicking - Career

1.	Craig Hentrich	39fg, 177xp, 294pts (1989-92)
2.	Dave Reeve	39fg, 130xp, 247pts (1974-77)
3.	Nicholas Setta	46fg, 104xp, 242pts (2000-03)
4.	John Carney	51fg, 70xp, 223pts (1984-86)
5.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	34fg, 103xp, 205pts (2002-05)
6.	Jim Sanson	28fg, 108xp, 192pts (1996-99)
7.	David Ruffer	33fg, 89xp, 188pts (2008-)
8.	Scott Hempel	14fg, 122xp, 164pts (1968-70)

Punts - Career

1.	Blair Kiel	259 (1980-83)
2.	Joey Hildbold	256 (1999-2002)
3.	Joe Restic	209 (1975-78)
4.	Hunter Smith	174 (1995-98)
5.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	166 (2002-05)
6.	Brian Doherty	140 (1971-73)
7.	Ben Turk	134 (2009-)
8.	Bob Williams	122 (1948-50)
9.	John Lattner	119 (1951-53)
10.	Craig Hentrich	118 (1989-92)

Kickoff Returns - Game

1.	George Gipp	8-157	vs. Army, Oct. 30, 1920
2.	Julius Jones	7-163	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
3.	Bennett Jackson	6-126	vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010
	Bennett Jackson	6-122	vs. Navy, Oct. 23, 2010
	Theo Riddick	6-129	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
	Theo Riddick	6-122	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
	Armando Allen Jr.	6-117	vs. Air Force, Nov. 10, 2007
	Mark McLane	6-95	vs. USC, Nov. 30, 1974
	Lack Landry	6-112	vs. Michigan St., Nov. 10, 1951

Kickoff Returns - Season

1.	Theo Riddick	37-849 (2009)
2.	Armando Allen Jr.	33-704 (2007)
3.	Bennett Jackson	29-645 (2010)
4.	George Atkinson III	27-751 (2011)
5.	Golden Tate	26-521 (2008)
	Julius Jones	26-603 (1999)
7.	Tim Brown	25-698 (1986)
	Tony Driver	23-512 (1998)
	Tim Brown	23-456 (1987)
10.	Armando Allen Jr.	21-543 (2008)

Eye On Career Records

Kickoff Returns - Career

1. Julius Jones	72-1678 (1999-01, '03)
2. Tim Brown	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Armando Allen Jr.	54-1247 (2007-10)
4. Jim Stone	49-1079 (1977-80)
5. Theo Riddick	47-1051 (2009-)
Vontez Duff	47-1230 (2000-03)
Tony Driver	47-1083 (1997-2000)
8. Raghil Ismail	46-1271 (1988-90)
9. Golden Tate	44-909 (2007-09)
10. Bennett Jackson	32-677 (2010-)
Terry Eurick	32-739 (1974-77)

Kickoff Return Yards - Game

1. Paul Castner	4-253 vs. Kalamazoo, Sept. 30, 1922
2. Raghil Ismail	3-192 vs. Michigan, Sept. 16, 1989
3. George Atkinson III	5-178 vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011
4. Willie Maher	4-174 vs. Kalamazoo, Sept. 29, 1923

Kickoff Return Yards - Season

1. Theo Riddick	37-849 (2009)
2. George Atkinson III	27-751 (2011)
3. Armando Allen Jr.	33-704 (2007)
4. Tim Brown	25-698 (1986)
5. Bennett Jackson	29-645 (2010)
6. Julius Jones	26-603 (1999)
7. Allen Rossum	20-570 (1997)
8. Armando Allen Jr.	21-543 (2008)
9. Vontez Duff	19-526 (2002)
10. Golden Tate	26-521 (2008)

Kickoff Return Yards - Career

1. Julius Jones	72-1678 (1999-01, '03)
2. Tim Brown	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Raghil Ismail	46-1271 (1988-90)
4. Armando Allen Jr.	54-1247 (2007-10)
5. Vontez Duff	47-1230 (2000-03)
6. Tony Driver	47-1083 (1997-2000)
7. Jim Stone	49-1079 (1977-80)
8. Theo Riddick	47-1051 (2009-)
9. Golden Tate	44-909 (2007-09)
10. Allen Rossum	29-891 (1994-97)

Most Kickoff Return TDs - Season

1. George Atkinson III	2 (2011)
Allen Rossum	2 (1997)
Raghil Ismail	2 (1989)
Raghil Ismail	2 (1988)
Tim Brown	2 (1986)
Nick Eddy	2 (1966)
John Lattner	2 (1953)
Paul Castner	2 (1922)

Yards per Reception - Game (min. 4 rec.)

1. Michael Floyd	47.3 (4 for 189)	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
2. Jim Morse	41.6 (5 for 208)	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
3. Golden Tate	31.8 (4 for 127)	vs. Michigan, Sept. 13, 2008
4. John Carlson	30.3 (4 for 121)	at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006
Rhema McKnight	30.3 (4 for 121)	at Boston College, Oct. 25, 2003

► Floyd's career-best reception went for 88 yards and a touchdown against Nevada in 2009. The 88-yard reception is the fourth-longest in Notre Dame football history. The 189 yards receiving in the rout of the WolfPack ranks 10th on the single-season list.

Receiving Yards - Game

1. Jim Seymour	276	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Golden Tate	244	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
3. Jack Snow	217	at Wisconsin, Sept. 26, 1964
4. Bobby Brown	208	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
Jim Morse	208	at USC, Nov. 26, 1955
6. Maurice Stovall	207	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Golden Tate	201	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
8. Tom Gatewood	192	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
9. Jeff Samardzija	191	at Stanford, Nov. 26, 2005
10. Michael Floyd	189	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009

Longest Reception in ND History

1. Joe Howard	96	vs. Georgia Tech, Nov. 7, 1981
2. Kyle Rudolph	95	vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010
3. Nick Eddy	91	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 7, 1964
4. Michael Floyd	88	vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009
5. Maurice Stovall	85	vs. Purdue, Sept. 27, 2003

► Floyd not only became the first Irish freshman to register a touchdown catch in a season opener (2008), but also became the first freshman to register Notre Dame's first points of a season by TD. He established new school records for receptions (48), receiving yards (719) and receiving touchdowns (seven) by an Irish freshman in 2008. He also set a freshman record with 10 receptions against Pittsburgh on Nov. 1, 2008.

► Floyd was the fourth different rookie in the last 20 years whose first career catch was a TD. The others were Raghil "Rocket" Ismail and Derek Brown in 1988 and Derrick Mayes in 1992 – mighty impressive company for Floyd to join.

MY NAME IS JONAS

► Senior RB **Jonas Gray** ranks second on the Irish in rushing with 791 yards on 114 carries and ranks 77th in the FBS in rushing yards per game (71.91). Gray, who was lost for the season after an injury early in the third quarter against Boston College on Nov. 19, averaged 6.9 yards per carry in 2011, which edges George Gipp (1919) for fifth-best in single-season school history.

Avg. per Rush - Season (min. 100 attempts)

1. George Gipp	8.1 (1920)
2. Reggie Brooks	8.0 (1992)
3. Marchy Schwartz	7.5 (1930)
4. Don Miller	7.1 (1924)
5. Jonas Gray	6.94 (2011)
6. George Gipp	6.87 (1919)

► Gray averaged a touchdown every 9.50 carries, which ranked fourth-best in the FBS, prior to the injury.

FBS Leaders Touchdowns/Carry

Name, School	Carries	Touchdowns	Touchdowns/Carry
1. Joseph Randle, Oklahoma State	179	21	8.52
2. Montee Ball, Wisconsin	223	25	8.92
3. Charles Sims, Houston	83	9	9.22
4. Jonas Gray, Notre Dame	114	12	9.50
5. Robert Turbin, Utah State	186	19	9.79
6. Cody Fajardo, Nevada	109	11	9.91
7. Bernard Pierce, Temple	224	22	10.18
8. Jasmin Hopkins, Northern Illinois	159	15	10.60
9. Collin Klein, Kansas State	267	25	10.68
10. Kenjon Barner, Oregon	112	10	11.20

► Gray averaged 6.94 yards per rush, which ranked 10th-best in the FBS, prior to the injury. Of the nine players ahead of Gray, only five had more carries in 2011.

FBS Leaders Rushing Yards/Carry

Name, School	Carries	Yards	Yards/Carry
1. Charles Sims, Houston	83	702	8.46
2. Ja'Terian Douglas, Tulsa	100	836	8.36
3. Henry Josey, Missouri	145	1168	8.06
4. Waymon James, TCU	98	786	8.02
5. Eddie Lacy, Alabama	80	625	7.81
6. Chandler Harnish, Northern Ill.	155	1203	7.76
7. LaMichael James, Oregon	173	1285	7.43
8. Raymond Maples, Army	133	984	7.40
9. Asher Clark, Air Force	138	985	7.14
10. Jonas Gray, Notre Dame	114	791	6.94

► Gray failed to registered a touchdown run over the first 25 games of his career, but ran for at least one touchdown in eight consecutive games entering this weekend. He was the first Irish running back with a touchdown run in eight consecutive games since **Autry Denson** in 1998. Denson collected a rushing touchdown in the first 10 games of the '98 campaign. Gray had a total of 12 touchdown runs over the same span.

► Gray registered his first career 100-yard rushing game in the 45-24 rout of Maryland on Nov. 12. He rushed for 136 yards on 21 carries and scored two touchdowns.

► Gray registered two or more rushing touchdowns in three different games this season.

► Gray is tied for 18th in the FBS in rushing touchdowns.

► Gray's 12 rushing touchdowns this season were the most for an Irish running back since **Autry Denson** had 15 in 1998 and tied for ninth-most in single-season school history.

Rushing Touchdowns - Season

1. Vagas Ferguson	17 (1979)
Allen Pinkett	17 (1984)
3. Bill Downs	16 (1905)
Allen Pinkett	16 (1983)
Jerome Bettis	16 (1991)
6. Autry Denson	15 (1998)
7. Bob Gladieux	14 (1968)
8. Reggie Brooks	13 (1992)
9. Jonas Gray	12 (2011)
Al Hunter	12 (1976)
Autry Denson	12 (1997)

► Gray registered 12 plays of 15 yards or more, including 11 rushes and one reception. He recorded 26 rushes of 10 yards or more, 45 of his 114 carries resulted in a touchdown or first down and 10 of his 15 rushing attempts on third down plays resulted in a touchdown or first down.

► Gray rushed for three touchdowns in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29. He became the first Irish running back with three rushing touchdowns in the same game since Travis Thomas had three against Navy on Nov. 3, 2007. Gray became the first player with three rushing touchdowns in a non-overtime game since Darius Walker had three against Ohio State in the 2006 Fiesta Bowl. He was also first Notre Dame running back with three rushing touchdowns in a regular season game since Raeshon Powers-Neal at Pittsburgh on Sept. 3, 2005.

Rushing Touchdowns - Game

1. Art Smith	7	vs. Loyola (Chicago), Oct. 28, 1911
2. Bill Downs	6	vs. DePauw, Nov. 4, 1905
3. Allen Pinkett	4	vs. Penn State, Nov. 17, 1984
Allen Pinkett	4	at Penn State, Nov. 12, 1983
Frank Lonergan	4	vs. Chi. Phys. and Surg., Oct. 29, 1903
Frank Lonergan	4	vs. DePauw, Oct. 17, 1903
7. Jonas Gray	3	vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011
Travis Thomas	3	vs. Navy, Nov. 3, 2007
Rashon Powers-Neal	3	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 3, 2005
Julius Jones	3	vs. BYU, Nov. 15, 2003
Reggie Brooks	3	at USC, Nov. 28, 1992
Reggie Brooks	3	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1992
Louis Salmon	3	vs. Lake Forest, Oct. 11, 1902

► Gray registered the first touchdown run of his career against Pittsburgh on Sept. 24. He raced 79 yards with 13:44 to go in the second quarter to give the Irish a 7-3 lead. The 79-yard run was the longest by an Irish player since Terrance Howard went 80 yards for a touchdown at West Virginia on Oct. 21, 2000.

Eye On Career Records

Total Kick/Punt Return Yards - Season

1. Vontez Duff	911 (526 KR, 385 PR); 2002
2. Tim Brown	857 (456 KR, 401 PR); 1987
3. Theo Riddick	849 (849 KR, 0 PR); 2009
4. Julius Jones	798 (603 KR, 195 PR); 1999
5. Tim Brown	773 (698 KR, 75 PR); 1986
6. George Atkinson III	751 (751 KR, 0 PR); 2011
7. Armando Allen Jr.	704 (704 KR, 0 PR); 2007
8. Allen Rossum	653 (570 KR, 83 PR); 1997
9. Bennett Jackson	645 (645 KR; 0 PR); 2010
10. Golden Tate	637 (521 KR, 116 PR); 2008

Total Kick/Punt Return Yards - Career

1. Julius Jones	2,104 (1,678 KR, 426 PR); 1999-01, '03
2. Tim Brown	2,089 (1,613 KR, 476 PR); 1984-87
3. Vontez Duff	1,955 (1,230 KR, 725 PR); 2000-03
4. Raghib Ismail	1,607 (1,271 KR, 336 PR); 1988-90
5. Armando Allen Jr.	1,360 (1,247, 113 PR); 2007-10
6. Allen Rossum	1,318 (891 KR, 427 PR); 1994-97
7. Golden Tate	1,196 (909 KR, 287 PR); 2007-09
8. Tony Driver	1,083 (1,083 KR, 0 PR); 1997-2000
9. Jim Stone	1,079 (1,079 KR, 0 PR); 1977-80
10. Theo Riddick	1,049 (1,051 KR, -2 PR); 2009

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

RUSHING

George Atkinson III

Attempts: 7, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
Yards: 28, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
TDs: 1, twice (last time vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)
Long: 15, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)

Dayne Crist

Attempts: 10, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
Yards: 25, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
TDs: 1, four times (last vs. Western Michigan, Oct. 16, 2010)
Long: 29, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)

Michael Floyd

Attempts: 1, four times (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
Yards: 10, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
TDs: 1, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
Long: 10, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)

John Goodman

Attempts: 1, three times (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
Yards: 13, vs. USC (Oct. 17, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 13, vs. USC (Oct. 17, 2009)

Andrew Hendrix

Attempts: 6, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Yards: 111, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
TDs: None
Long: 78, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)

Jonas Gray

Attempts: 21, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
Yards: 136, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
TDs: 3, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
Long: 79, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)

Bennett Jackson

Attempts: 1, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
Yards: 20, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 20, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)

Cam McDaniel

Attempts: 2, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Yards: 8, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
TDs: None
Long: 12, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)

Tommy Rees

Attempts: 5, twice (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
Yards: 6, twice (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
TDs: None
Long: 12, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)

Theo Riddick

Attempts: 9, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
Yards: 51, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 24, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2010)

REES PIECES TOGETHER IRISH OFFENSE

► Sophomore QB **Tommy Rees** will make his 15th career start this weekend against Boston College. He is 12-2 as the Irish starting quarterback. He has already accomplished so much in his 14 starts. Rees has captained the Irish to victories over both Michigan State and USC. Toss in a bowl victory as well and he is the first Notre Dame quarterback to accomplish those three feats since Rick Mirer in 1992. Mirer led Notre Dame to victories over the Spartans (52-31), Trojans (31-23) and Texas A&M in the Cotton Bowl (28-3).

► Rees has passed for 2,648 yards in 2011. He became the third Notre Dame quarterback to eclipse 2,000 yards passing during the regular season of his sophomore campaign, joining **Brady Quinn** in 2004 (2,586) and **Jimmy Clausen** in 2008 (3,172).

► Rees has guided the Irish to victories at Notre Dame Stadium against 15th-ranked Utah (2010), at Notre Dame Stadium against 15th-ranked Michigan State (2011), at Yankee Stadium against Army (2010), at the LA Coliseum against arch-rival USC (2010); snapped Trojans eight-game winning streak in series), back-to-back road games at Pittsburgh and Purdue (2011), routs of Air Force, Navy and Maryland (2011) and narrow wins over Wake Forest (2011) and Boston College (2011). Rees was also the starting signal caller in Notre Dame's rout of Miami, Fla. in the 2010 Hyundai Sun Bowl.

► Rees owns a .857 winning percentage over his 14 career starts (12-2). Here is an interesting look at where Rees currently compares to the best Irish signal callers in school history (minimum 20 starts).

Notre Dame's All-Time Winningest Quarterbacks

	Name	W	L	T	Pct.
1.	John Lujack	20	1	1	.932
2.	Tony Rice	28	3	0	.903
3.	Ralph Guglielmi	26	3	2	.871
4.	Tom Clements	29	5	0	.853
5.	Joe Theismann	20	3	2	.840
6.	Terry Hanratty	22	4	1	.833
7.	Angelo Bertelli	15	2	3	.825
8.	Joe Montana	19	5	0	.7917
	Rick Mirer	28	7	1	.7917
--	Tommy Rees	12	2	0	.857

Clements, Ron Powlus and Brady Quinn share the school record for total victories (29)

► Rees has recorded at least one touchdown pass in 12 of his 14 starts.

► Rees has thrown for at least two touchdown passes in six different games in 2011 and 10 times over his career.

► Rees has thrown at least three touchdown passes three times in 2011 and five times in his career.

► Rees has tossed 19 touchdown passes this season and 31 for his career. The 19 touchdown passes moves him into a tie with Ron Powlus (1994) for fifth in single-season Irish history. The 31 touchdown passes moves him into a tie with Joe Theismann (1968-70) for sixth in Notre Dame career history.

► Rees completed a season-best 30 passes against Maryland on Nov. 12. The 30 completions rank as the ninth-most in single-game Irish history.

► Rees not only ranks as the most accurate quarterback in school history based on career completion percentage (64.9%), but his 66.6% completion percentage in 2011 ranks second best.

► Rees equaled the single-game school record for consecutive completions in the victory over Maryland on Nov. 12. He completed 14 straight passes over the second and third quarter. Rees actually completed 18 of his final 19 pass attempts.

Touchdown Passes - Season

1.	Brady Quinn	37 (2006)
2.	Brady Quinn	32 (2005)
3.	Jimmy Clausen	28 (2009)
4.	Jimmy Clausen	25 (2008)
5.	Tommy Rees	19 (2011)
	Ron Powlus	19 (1994)
7.	Rick Mirer	18 (1991)
8.	Brady Quinn	17 (2004)
	Jarious Jackson	17 (1999)
10.	Joe Theismann	16 (1970)
	John Huarte	16 (1964)
	Bob Williams	16 (1949)

Touchdown Passes - Career

1.	Brady Quinn	95 (2003-06)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	60 (2007-09)
3.	Ron Powlus	52 (1994-97)
4.	Rick Mirer	41 (1989-92)
5.	Jarious Jackson	34 (1996-99)
6.	Tommy Rees	31 (2010-)
	Joe Theismann	31 (1968-70)
8.	Angelo Bertelli	28 (1941-43)
9.	Steve Beuerlein	27 (1983-86)
	Terry Hanratty	27 (1966-68)

Completion Percentage - Season (min. 100 attempts)

1.	Jimmy Clausen	68.0 (2009)
2.	Tommy Rees	67.2 (2011)
3.	Brady Quinn	64.9 (2005)
4.	Brady Quinn	61.9 (2006)
5.	Kevin McDougal	61.6 (1993)
6.	Ron Powlus	61.1 (1997)
7.	Tommy Rees	61.0 (2010)
8.	Jimmy Clausen	60.9 (2008)
9.	Steve Beuerlein	60.3 (1984)
10.	Dayne Crist	59.2 (2010)

Completion Percentage - Career (min. 150 attempts)

1.	Tommy Rees	65.1 (2010-)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	62.6 (2007-09)
3.	Kevin McDougal	62.2 (1990-93)
4.	Dayne Crist	58.9 (2008-)
5.	Brady Quinn	58.0 (2003-06)
6.	Ron Powlus	57.6 (1994-97)
7.	Jarious Jackson	57.1 (1996-99)
8.	Joe Theismann	57.0 (1968-70)
9.	Steve Beuerlein	55.6 (1983-86)
10.	Terry Hanratty	55.3 (1966-68)

Passing Yards - Season

1. Brady Quinn	3919 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	3722 (2009)
3. Brady Quinn	3426 (2006)
4. Jimmy Clausen	3172 (2008)
5. Jarious Jackson	2753 (1999)
6. Tommy Rees	2648 (2011)
7. Brady Quinn	2586 (2004)
8. Joe Theismann	2529 (1970)
9. Steve Beuerlein	2211 (1986)
10. Rick Mirer	2117 (1991)

Yards per Game - Season

1. Brady Quinn	326.6 (2005)
2. Jimmy Clausen	310.2 (2009)
3. Brady Quinn	263.5 (2006)
4. Jimmy Clausen	244.0 (2008)
5. Joe Theismann	242.9 (1970)
6. Tommy Rees	240.7 (2011)
7. Jarious Jackson	229.4 (1999)
8. Dayne Crist	225.9 (2010)
9. Brady Quinn	215.5 (2004)
10. Terry Hanratty	209.4 (1968)

Efficiency Rating - Career (min. 150 attempts)

1. Kevin McDougal	156.7 (1990-93)
2. Jarious Jackson	145.7 (1996-99)
3. John Huarte	144.7 (1962-64)
4. Rick Mirer	139.0 (1989-92)
5. Jimmy Clausen	137.2 (2007-09)
6. Joe Theismann	136.1 (1968-70)
7. Tommy Rees	135.8 (2010-)
8. Ron Powlus	135.6 (1994-97)
9. Brady Quinn	134.4 (2003-06)
10. Dayne Crist	127.0 (2008-)

* Fiesta Bowl

Consecutive Completions - Game

1. Tommy Rees	14	vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011
Brady Quinn	14	vs. Ohio State, Jan. 2, 2006*
Ron Powlus	14	vs. Michigan State, Sept. 20, 1997
4. Dayne Crist	12	vs. Pittsburgh, Sept. 9, 2010
Jarious Jackson	12	vs. Navy, Nov. 14, 1998
Brady Quinn	12	vs. BYU, Oct. 22, 2005
7. Jimmy Clausen	11	vs. Washington State, Oct. 31, 2009
Brady Quinn	11	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 3, 2005
Brady Quinn	11	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2005

► Here is a comparison between Rees and the more notable quarterbacks in Notre Dame history over their first 14 career starts.

	Tommy Rees	Jimmy Clausen	Brady Quinn	Ron Powlus	Joe Montana	Joe Theismann
Completion Percentage	64.8 (284 of 438)	58.0 (238 of 410)	50.0 (237 of 474)	55.7 (171 of 307)	47.8 (132 of 276)	55.6 (140 of 252)
Passing Yards	3045	2468	3048	2388	1950	2130
Passing Touchdowns	25	19	17	24	12	15
Interceptions	13	12	19	12	15	22
Passing Efficiency	136.14	118.05	107.83	139.02	110.65	128.74
W-L Record	12-2	7-7	7-7	7-6-1	11-3	10-2-2

► Rees tied and later bested his career-long pass completion in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29. He hooked up with junior WR **Theo Riddick** for 37 yards in the first quarter and spotted senior WR **Michael Floyd** for a 56-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter.

► The 56-yard completion to Floyd was a season-long for the Irish.

► Rees ranks sixth in the FBS in completion percentage among underclassmen quarterbacks. Of the five freshmen or sophomores ranked ahead of Rees in completion percentage, none have even attempted 300 passes let alone 371.

FBS Underclassmen Leaders in Completion Percentage

Name, School	Yr.	Pass Att.	Pass Comp.	Comp. %
1. Cody Fajardo, Nevada	Fr.	174	123	70.69
2. Bryn Renner, North Carolina	So.	274	191	69.71
3. Jeff Godfrey, UCF	So.	226	155	68.58
4. Casey Pachall, TCU	So.	292	198	67.81
5. Keith Price, Washington	So.	296	198	66.89
6. Tommy Rees, Notre Dame	So.	371	247	66.58
7. Teddy Bridgewater, Louisville	Fr.	225	148	65.78
8. A.J. McCarron, Alabama	So.	271	178	65.68
9. Jordan Webb, Kansas	So.	261	170	65.13
10. Sean Mannion, Oregon State	Fr.	429	278	64.8

► Here is where Rees ranks in a handful of other FBS passing categories among underclassman signal callers:

Passing Category	FBS Underclassman Rank
Completions/Game	4th
Pass Completions	4th
Passing Yards	6th
Pass Attempts	8th
Touchdown Passes	10th
Touchdown Percentage	13th
Passing Efficiency	14th
Passing Yards/Attempt	18th
Interception Percentage	23rd
Passing Yards/Completion	29th

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Harrison Smith

Attempts: 1, twice (last at Washington, Oct. 25, 2008)
Yards: 35, at Washington (Oct. 25, 2008)
TDs: None
Long: 35, at Washington (Oct. 25, 2008)

Robby Toma

Attempts: 1, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
Yards: 12, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
TDs: None
Long: 12, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)

Cierre Wood

Attempts: 26, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
Yards: 191, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
TDs: 2, three times (last vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)
Long: 55, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)

PASSING

Dayne Crist

Attempts: 55, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
Completions: 32, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
Yards: 369, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
TDs: 4, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
Long: 95, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Completion %: 73.1 (19 for 26) vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
Passing Yards/Attempt: 11.1, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Passing Yards/Completion: 21.3, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Passing Efficiency: 169.00, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
Interceptions: 2, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)

Tommy Rees

Attempts: 54, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
Completions: 33, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
Yards: 334, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
Long: 56, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
TDs: 4, twice (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)
Completion %: 85.7 (6-for-7), vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
Passing Yards/Attempt: 10.7, vs. Army (Nov. 20, 2010)
Passing Yards/Completion: 16.5, vs. Army (Nov. 20, 2010)
Passing Efficiency: 180.51, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
Interceptions: 3, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)

Andrew Hendrix

Attempts: 4, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Completions: 4, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Yards: 33, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Long: 22, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
TDs: None
Completion %: 100.0 (4-for-4), vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Passing Yards/Attempt: 8.3, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Passing Yards/Completion: 8.3, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Passing Efficiency: 169.3, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Interceptions: None

John Goodman

Attempts: 1, three times (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
Completions: 1, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
Yards: 32, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
TDs: 1, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
Long: 32, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

RECEIVING

Tyler Eifert

Catches: 8, three times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
Yards: 93, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
TDs: 1, seven times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
Long: 39, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)

Michael Floyd

Catches: 13, at Michigan (Sept. 17, 2011)
Yards: 189, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)
TDs: 3, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, Oct. 16, 2010)
Long: 88, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)

John Goodman

Catches: 5, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
Yards: 73, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
TDs: 1, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
Long: 64, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)

Jonas Gray

Catches: 2, twice (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
Yards: 42, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 23, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)

TJ Jones

Catches: 6, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
Yards: 73, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: 1, six times (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
Long: 53, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Ben Koyack

Catches: 1, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)
Yards: 5, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)
TDs: None
Long: 5, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)

Mike Ragone

Catches: 3, vs. Connecticut (Nov. 21, 2009)
Yards: 33, vs. Navy (Nov. 7, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 30, vs. Navy (Nov. 7, 2009)

Theo Riddick

Catches: 10, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
Yards: 128, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
TDs: 2, at Michigan State (Sept. 10, 2011)
Long: 37, twice (last time vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)

Robby Toma

Catches: 7, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
Yards: 73, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
TDs: 1, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
Long: 27, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)

Cierre Wood

Catches: 6, twice (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
Yards: 57, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
TDs: 2, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
Long: 31, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)

- ▶ Rees was the fourth Irish quarterback in school history with multiple games of at least four touchdown passes. Rees joined Brady Quinn (seven), Jimmy Clausen (three) and Ron Powlus (three).
- ▶ Rees was the first Notre Dame quarterback to throw four touchdown passes in a single half since Brady Quinn against Washington on Sept. 25, 2004 (also in first half).
- ▶ Rees and Quinn are the only two Notre Dame signal callers to throw four touchdown passes in a single half.
- ▶ Rees was the fourth Irish sophomore quarterback to throw for 300 yards in a game. He joins the likes of Terry Hanratty (1966), Brady Quinn (2004) and Jimmy Clausen (2008).

Games with 300 Yards - Season

1.	Jimmy Clausen	7 (2009)
2.	Brady Quinn	5 (2005)
3.	Brady Quinn	4 (2006)
	Jimmy Clausen	3 (2008)
5.	Dayne Crist	2 (2009)
6.	Jarius Jackson	2 (1999)
7.	13 with	1

(MR: Tommy Rees, 2011)

Games with 300 Yards - Career

1.	Brady Quinn	11 (2003-06)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	10 (2007-09)
3.	Tommy Rees	2 (2010-)
	Dayne Crist	2 (2009-)
	Jarius Jackson	2 (1996-99)
	Terry Hanratty	2 (1966-68)
	George Izo	1 (1957-59)
	Joe Montana	1 (1975, 77-78)
	Joe Theismann	1 (1968-70)
	John Huarte	1 (1962-64)
	Rick Mirer	1 (1989-92)
	Rusty Lisch	1 (1976, 77, 79)
	Steve Beuerlein	1 (1983-86)

- ▶ Rees threw his first interception in 135 pass attempts against USC on Oct. 22 (third longest single-season streak in school history). The 135 attempts without a pick ranks the fifth-longest streak overall when including streaks that spanned consecutive seasons.

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Single Season

Name	Att.	Games
1.	Brady Quinn	226 Michigan State 2006 - Army 2006
2.	Jimmy Clausen	160 Washington 2009 - Navy 2009
3.	Tommy Rees	135 Pittsburgh 2011 - USC 2011
4.	John Huarte	132 Michigan State 2008 - North Carolina 2008
5.	Dayne Crist	130 USC 2005 - Navy 2005
6.	Carlyle Holiday	126 Pittsburgh 2002 - Rutgers 2002

Consecutive Passes Without INT - Career

Name	Att.	Games
1.	Brady Quinn	226 Michigan State 2006 - Army 2006
2.	Jimmy Clausen	160 Washington 2009 - Navy 2009
3.	Jimmy Clausen	147 USC 2008 - Purdue 2009
4.	Brady Quinn	143 Stanford 2005 - Michigan 2006
5.	Tommy Rees	135 Pittsburgh 2011 - USC 2011
6.	Jimmy Clausen	132 Michigan State 2008 - North Carolina 2008
7.	Dayne Crist	130 USC 2005 - Navy 2005
8.	Carlyle Holiday	126 Pittsburgh 2002 - Rutgers 2002

- ▶ Rees' streak of 11 consecutive games with a touchdown pass was snapped against USC on Oct. 22, which ranked as the third-longest streak in school history. Brady Quinn holds the school record with a touchdown pass in 16 straight games (2004-05).
- ▶ Rees' 11 straight games with a touchdown pass ranked as the fifth-longest among FBS signal callers when it was snapped.

Name	Consecutive Games with TD Pass	Year(s)
1.	Brady Quinn	16 (2004-05)
2.	Jimmy Clausen	13 (2008-09)
3.	Tommy Rees	11 (2010-2011)
4.	John Huarte	10 (1964)
5.	Dayne Crist	9 (2009-10)
	Rick Mirer	9 (1991)

- ▶ Rees, who was mere seconds from becoming the third Irish quarterback in school history to record road victories over both USC and Michigan in a career, completed 27-of-39 for 315 yards and three touchdowns against Michigan. He exceeded 300 yards passing for the second time in his career.
- ▶ Rees was the ninth freshman quarterback to start for the Irish in the last 60 seasons (1951-present). The group includes Ralph Guglielmi (1951), Blair Kiel (1980), Steve Beuerlein (1983), Kent Graham (1987), Paul Failla (1991), Matt LoVecchio (2000), Brady Quinn (2003), Jimmy Clausen (2007) and Rees (2010).

- ▶ Rees, who started in the 28-3 victory over No. 15 Utah last year, was the first Irish freshman quarterback to knock off a top 20 opponent since Blair Kiel helped Notre Dame get past No. 13 Miami, Fla., 32-14. Rees threw for the most touchdown passes (three) by a freshman in his first career start in school history. Rees also threw for the fourth-most yards ever by an Irish quarterback in his first start (second-most ever by a Notre Dame rookie quarterback in a victory).
- ▶ Rees became the first freshman quarterback in Notre Dame history to ever lead the Irish to a victory in a bowl game. He also was the first-ever, first-year starter (regardless of class) to lead Notre Dame to a bowl game victory.
- ▶ Prior to Rees, freshmen or sophomore quarterbacks who are first-year starters at Notre Dame had a tough history in bowl games. From 1972 through 2004, they were 0-6 while averaging only 13 points per game.
- ▶ They include 1972 sophomore Tom Clements (40-6 to Nebraska), 1980 freshman Blair Kiel (17-10 to Georgia), 1990 sophomore Rick Mirer (10-9 to Colorado), 1994 sophomore Ron Powlus (41-24 to Colorado), 2000 freshman Matt LoVecchio (41-9 to Oregon State) and 2004 sophomore Brady Quinn (38-21 to Oregon State). However, all but Quinn played a top-5 team.
- ▶ Jimmy Clausen was a sophomore QB in 2008 when the Irish crushed Hawaii 49-21 in the Sheraton Hawaii Bowl, but it was Clausen's second season as a starter, not first.
- ▶ Rees set a single-season freshman school record with 12 touchdown passes in 2010. He also established a single-season freshman record in completions percentage (.610). Rees ranked among the top-five in the following categories for Irish freshman quarterbacks: passing yards (2nd; 1,106), passing efficiency (2nd; 132.70) and completions (3rd; 100).
- ▶ Rees was the first Irish rookie quarterback to ever throw four touchdown passes in a single game. The four touchdown passes against Tulsa is tied with numerous others for the sixth-most in single-game school history. Rees completed 33 of 54 passes for 334 yards – the most ever by a quarterback that did not start the game. His 300-yard game was the 35th in school history and second-ever by a Notre Dame freshman. Brady Quinn is the only other freshman signal caller to throw for at least 300 yards in a single game (350, Oct. 25, 2003 at Boston College).
- ▶ Rees threw for three touchdown passes and 254 yards in the rout at Purdue on Oct. 1.
- ▶ Rees hooked up with junior TE **Tyler Eifert** on a six-yard touchdown pass with 6:48 remaining against Pittsburgh to give the Irish a 13-12 lead. Rees then spotted Eifert again on the ensuing two-point conversion play to push the Notre Dame lead to 15-12.
- ▶ Prior the 11-play, 85-yard go-ahead scoring drive in the fourth quarter, Rees was just 15-of-32 for 135 yards, but the sophomore signal caller went 8-of-8 for 74 yards on the drive. In fact, Rees completed his final nine passes of the contest.
- ▶ Rees connected with Eifert four different times on the drive, including the touchdown pass and two-point conversion.
- ▶ Rees came off the bench and sparked the Irish in the second half against USF. He completed 24-of-34 passes for 296 yards and two touchdowns – all after halftime.
- ▶ The 296 yards passing in a half ranks as the fourth-most in a half by a Notre Dame signal caller in school history.

Passing Yards (Half)

1. Joe Theismann	377 (2nd)	at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
2. Jimmy Clausen	342 (2nd)	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
3. Jimmy Clausen	300 (1st)	at Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2009
4. Tommy Rees	296 (2nd)	vs. USF, Sept. 3, 2011
Joe Montana	296 (2nd)	at USC, Nov. 25, 1978

TYLER EIFERT'S HOUSE OF PAIN

- ▶ Junior TE **Tyler Eifert** – a 2011 Mackey Award finalist – leads all Football Subdivision tight ends in receptions (53). He also ranks second in receptions per game (4.82), second in receiving yards (634), second in receiving yards per catch (11.96; minimum 4.50/game) and second in receiving yards per game (57.64).

FBS TEs - Receptions

1. Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	53
2. Ryan Otten, San Jose State	50
3. Michael Egnew, Missouri	46
4. Dwayne Allen, Clemson	45

FBS TEs - Receiving Yards

1. Ryan Otten, San Jose State	727
2. Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	634
3. Coby Fleener, Stanford	551
4. Dwayne Allen, Clemson	536

FBS TEs - Receptions/Game

1. Ryan Otten, San Jose State	5.00
2. Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	4.82
3. Michael Egnew, Missouri	4.18
4. Dwayne Allen, Clemson	4.09

FBS TEs - Receiving Yards/Catch (min. 4.50/game)

1. Ryan Otten, San Jose State	14.54
2. Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	11.96
3. Michael Egnew, Missouri	10.15

FBS TEs - Receiving Yards/Game

1. Ryan Otten, San Jose State	72.00
2. Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	57.64
3. Coby Fleener, Stanford	50.09
4. Dwayne Allen, Clemson	48.73

- ▶ Forty of Eifert's 53 receptions this season have garnered the Irish a touchdown or first down.
- ▶ Seventeen of Eifert's 19 receptions this season on third down have garnered the Irish a touchdown or first down.
- ▶ Eifert has 13 receptions of 15 or more yards and six grabs of 20 or more yards.

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

PUNTS

Ben Turk

Attempts: 8, four times (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
 Yards: 352, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
 Long: 56, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
 Average (min. 3): 46.6, vs. Pittsburgh (Oct. 9, 2010)

KICKOFFS

Kyle Brindza

Attempts: 10, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Yards: 675, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Touchbacks: 3, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Average (min. 3): 70.0, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)

David Ruffer

Attempts: 8, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
 Yards: 529, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
 Touchbacks: 3, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
 Average (min. 3): 69.8, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Nick Tausch

Attempts: 8, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Yards: 491, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Touchbacks: None
 Average (min. 3): 67.4, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)

PUNT RETURNS

John Goodman

Attempts: 3, three times (last at Michigan, Sept. 10, 2011)
 Yards: 27, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 24, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)

Theo Riddick

Attempts: 2, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
 Yards: -2, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
 TDs: None
 Long: -2, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)

KICKOFF RETURNS

George Atkinson III

Attempts: 5, twice (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
 Yards: 178, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 TDs: 1, twice (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
 Long: 96, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)

Austin Collinsworth

Attempts: 2, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 Yards: 67, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 TDs: None
 Long: 41, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)

Jonas Gray

Attempts: 1, three times (last vs. Stanford, Oct. 25, 2010)
 Yards: 16, vs. Stanford (Oct. 25, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 16, vs. Stanford (Oct. 25, 2010)

Bennett Jackson

Attempts: 6, twice (last vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010)
 Yards: 126, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 43, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Theo Riddick

Attempts: 6, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
Yards: 129, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 38, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 19, 2009)

Cierre Wood

Attempts: 5, twice (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
Yards: 95, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 38, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

DEFENSE

Robert Blanton

Tackles: 10, twice (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
Solos: 7, three times (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
Assists: 6, vs. Miami, Fla. (Dec. 31, 2010)
TFLs: 3.0, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 17, 2011)
Sacks: 1.0, twice (last vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2011)
INTs: 1, eight times (last vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2011)
FF: None
FR: None
PBUs: 3, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 17, 2011)

Carlo Calabrese

Tackles: 10, twice (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
Solos: 8, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
Assists: 7, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TFLs: 3.5, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
Sacks: 1.5, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
INTs: None
FF: None
FR: None
PBUs: 1, three times (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)

Austin Collinworth

Tackles: 4, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
Solos: 3, twice (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
Assists: 2, twice (last vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)
TFLs: None
Sacks: None
INTs: None
FF: 1, vs. Utah (Nov. 13, 2010)
FR: None
PBUs: None

Sean Cwynar

Tackles: 6, twice (last vs. Utah, Nov. 13, 2010)
Solos: 3, twice (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
Assists: 5, vs. Utah (Nov. 13, 2010)
TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Tulsa, Oct. 30, 2010)
Sacks: None
INTs: None
FF: 1, vs. Pittsburgh (Oct. 9, 2010)
FR: None
PBUs: None

► With 53 receptions for 634 yards in 2011, Eifert ranks second and tied for second, respectively, in receptions and receiving yards in single-season Irish tight end history.

Receptions - Season (Tight End)

1.	Ken MacAfee	54 (1977)
2.	Tyler Eifert	53 (2011)
3.	John Carlson	47 (2006)
	Anthony Fasano	47 (2005)
5.	Tony Hunter	42 (1982)
6.	John Carlson	40 (2007)
7.	Ken MacAfee	34 (1976)
8.	Kyle Rudolph	33 (2009)
	Mark Bavaro	32 (1984)
10.	Kyle Rudolph	29 (2008)

Receiving Yards – Season (Tight End)

1.	Ken MacAfee	797 (1977)
2.	John Carlson	634 (2006)
	Tyler Eifert	634 (2011)
4.	Anthony Fasano	576 (2005)
5.	Tony Hunter	507 (1982)
6.	Ken MacAfee	483 (1976)
7.	Dean Masztak	428 (1979)
8.	Tony Hunter	397 (1981)
9.	Mark Bavaro	395 (1984)
10.	Mark Bavaro	376 (1983)

► Below is a comparison between Eifert's receiving numbers and the rest of the 2011 Mackey Award finalists. Eifert has more receptions and receiving yards than any other semifinalist.

Mackey Award Finalists

Name, School	Yr.	Receptions	Receiving Yards	Touchdowns
Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame	Jr.	51	634	5
Dwayne Allen, Clemson	Jr.	45	536	5
Orson Charles, Georgia	Jr.	35	435	5

► Below is an interesting comparison between Eifert's projected final receiving numbers and the 11 all-time Mackey Award winners. Only two tight ends would finish with more receptions, only three with more receiving touchdowns and only four with more receiving yards.

All-Time Mackey Award Winners

Name, School	Receptions	Receiving Yards	Touchdowns
Tyler Eifert, Notre Dame (2011)	63	749	6
D. J. Williams, Arkansas (2010)	54	627	4
Aaron Hernandez, Florida (2009)	68	850	5
Chase Coffman, Missouri (2008)	90	987	10
Fred Davis, Southern California (2007)	62	881	8
Matt Spaeth, Minnesota (2006)	47	564	4
Mercedes Lewis, UCLA (2005)	58	741	10
Heath Miller, Virginia (2004)	41	541	5
Kellen Winslow II, Miami, Fla. (2003)	60	605	1
Dallas Clark, Iowa (2002)	43	742	4
Daniel Graham, Colorado (2001)	51	753	6
Tim Stratton, Purdue (2000)	58	605	2

► Eifert has five touchdown receptions in 2011 and seven in his career.

► Eifert is the second Irish tight end with at least five touchdown catches in a single-season. Ken MacAfee owns the school record for touchdown receptions by a tight end with six in 1977.

► Eifert has registered a career-best eight catches on three different occasions in 2011 – against Pittsburgh, Air Force and Maryland. He is tied with Kyle Rudolph (twice in 2010), John Carlson (2006), Anthony Fasano (2004) and Ken MacAfee (1977) for second most ever in a game by a Notre Dame tight end. The Irish single-game record is nine by MacAfee for 114 yards in a 31–24 victory at Purdue in 1977.

Receptions - Game (Tight End)

1.	Ken MacAfee	9	at Purdue, Sept. 24, 1977
2.	Tyler Eifert	8	vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011
	Tyler Eifert	8	vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011
	Tyler Eifert	8	at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011
	Kyle Rudolph	8	at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010
	Kyle Rudolph	8	vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010
	John Carlson	8	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 4, 2006
	Anthony Fasano	8	vs. Purdue, Oct. 2, 2004
	Ken MacAfee	8	vs. USC, Oct. 22, 1977
t-10.	Tyler Eifert	7	vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011

- ▶ With 80 receptions for 986 yards in his career, Eifert already ranks among the top 10 in Notre Dame tight end career receiving history. His 80 catches and 986 yards each rank fifth.
- ▶ Eifert needs just 14 yards receiving to become the fifth Notre Dame tight end in school history to reach 1,000 career yards.

Receptions - Career (Tight End)		Receiving Yards - Career (Tight End)	
1. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)	1. Ken MacAfee	1,759 (1974-77)
2. John Carlson	100 (2004-07)	2. Anthony Fasano	1,102 (2003-05)
3. Anthony Fasano	92 (2003-05)	3. John Carlson	1,093 (2004-07)
4. Kyle Rudolph	90 (2008-10)	4. Kyle Rudolph	1,032 (2008-10)
5. Tyler Eifert	80 (2009-)	5. Tyler Eifert	986 (2009-)
6. *Tony Hunter	67 (1979-82)	6. Dean Maszta	924 (1978-81)
7. Derek Brown	62 (1988-91)	7. *Tony Hunter	904 (1979-82)
Dean Maszta	62 (1978-81)	8. Derek Brown	899 (1988-91)
9. Mark Bavaro	55 (1981-84)	9. Mike Creaney	890 (1970-72)
10. Mike Creaney	46 (1970-72)	10. Mark Bavaro	771 (1981-84)

*played TE only in 1981-82

- ▶ Eifert was the fifth Irish tight end with at least four touchdown catches in a single-season. He joined John Carlson (2006), Pete Chryplewicz (1996) and Derek Brown (1991).
- ▶ Eifert had seven more receptions for 66 yards against USC on Oct. 22. The seven catches are tied for the 10th-most in single-game Notre Dame tight-end history.
- ▶ Eifert registered eight receptions, including four on the 11-play, 85-yard, go-ahead touchdown drive in the fourth quarter at Pittsburgh on Sept. 24. Eifert's four grabs totaled 34 yards. He also added a two-point conversion reception.
- ▶ Eifert, a 2011 Mackey Award candidate, earned the Mackey Tight End of the Week Award for his effort against Pittsburgh. He was honored with the same award following last year's Army game where Eifert caught four passes for 78 yards with one touchdown at Yankee Stadium
- ▶ Eifert's previous career-high was six catches in the season opener against USF. He also registered a career-best 93 receiving yards against the Bulls. He hauled in a 37-yard grab, the second-longest reception of his career.

BY LAND, CIERRE

- ▶ Junior RB **Cierre Wood** became the 10th Irish running back (16th different season) to surpass 1,000 yards on the ground in a single season and first since Darius Walker ran for 1,267 yards in 2006.
- ▶ Wood leads Notre Dame with 1,001 yards on the ground on 187 carries and nine rushing touchdowns. He ranks 37th in the FBS in rushing yards per game (91.00) and 85th in all-purpose yards per game (106.91).
- ▶ Wood is on pace to rush for 1,183 yards, which rank as the ninth-most in single-season Notre Dame history.

Rushing Yards - Season

Player, Year	Carries	Net	Avg	TD
1. Vagas Ferguson, 1979	*301	*1437	4.8	*17
2. Allen Pinkett, 1983	252	1394	5.5	16
3. Reggie Brooks, 1992	167	1343	*8.0	13
4. Julius Jones, 2003	229	1268	5.5	10
Autry Denson, 1997	264	1268	4.8	12
6. Darius Walker, 2006	255	1267	5.0	7
7. Darius Walker, 2005	253	1196	4.7	9
8. Vagas Ferguson, 1978	211	1192	5.6	7
9. Autry Denson, 1996	202	1179	5.8	8
10. Autry Denson, 1998	251	1176	4.7	15
11. Allen Pinkett, 1984	275	1105	4.0	*17
12. Allen Pinkett, 1985	255	1100	4.3	11
13. Ryan Grant, 2002	261	1085	4.2	9
14. Al Hunter, 1976	233	1058	4.5	12
15. Lee Becton, 1993	164	1044	6.4	6
16. Jerome Heavens, 1977	229	994	4.3	6
17. Jerome Bettis, 1991	168	972	5.8	16
18. Marchy Schwartz, 1930	124	927	7.5	9
19. Creighton Miller, 1943	151	911	6.0	10
20. Jim Stone, 1980	192	908	4.7	7
-- Ciere Wood, 2011	221	1,183	5.4	11 (projected)

*school records

- ▶ Wood has registered nine rushing touchdowns in 2011 and 12 for his career.
- ▶ Wood is tied for 38th in the FBS in rushing touchdowns.
- ▶ Wood has a touchdown run in seven of Notre Dame's 11 games this season. He has a rushing touchdown in eight of the last 12 games for the Irish.
- ▶ Wood has now recorded 12 career rushing touchdowns, 10 of which have come over Notre Dame's last 13 games. He was the first Irish running back to record a rushing touchdown in four consecutive games (snapped at Pittsburgh) since Darius Walker over the final four games of the 2005 campaign.

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Steve Filer

Tackles: 4, twice (last vs. Western Michigan, Oct. 16, 2010)
 Solos: 2, four times (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
 Assists: 4, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
 TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2011)
 Sacks: 1.0, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

Darius Fleming

Tackles: 8, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
 Solos: 5, at USC (Nov. 27, 2010)
 Assists: 5, twice (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 TFLs: 3.0, twice (last at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011)
 Sacks: 2.0, three times (last at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011)
 INTs: 1, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
 FF: 1, at Michigan (Sept. 12, 2009)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 2, twice (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)

Dan Fox

Tackles: 7, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
 Solos: 4, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 Assists: 6, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Michigan (Sept. 10, 2010)
 Sacks: 1.0, vs. Michigan (Sept. 10, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

Gary Gray

Tackles: 12, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 Solos: 8, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
 Assists: 5, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 TFLs: 1.0, five times (last vs. Army, Nov. 20, 2010)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, seven times (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
 FF: 1, vs. Western Michigan (Oct. 16, 2010)
 FR: 1, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 PBUs: 2, twice (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)

Bennett Jackson

Tackles: 4, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
 Solos: 3, twice (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)
 Assists: 2, twice (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
 TFLs: None
 Sacks: None
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Ethan Johnson

Tackles: 6, twice (last time vs. USF, Sept. 3, 2011)
 Solos: 5, at USC (Nov. 29, 2008)
 Assists: 5, vs. USF (Sept. 3, 2011)
 TFLs: 2.0, three times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 Sacks: 2.0, twice (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 FR: 1, four times (last vs. Michigan State, Sept. 17, 2011)
 PBU: 2, at Michigan State (Sept. 20, 2008)
 Blocked Kicks: 1, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 19, 2009)

Kapron Lewis-Moore

Tackles: 10, vs. Navy (Oct. 23, 2010)
 Solos: 4, six times (last at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011)
 Assists: 8, vs. Utah (Nov. 13, 2010)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Sacks: 1.0, five times (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, three times (last vs. Michigan, Sept. 10, 2011)
 FR: 1, twice (last vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 9, 2010)
 PBU: 1, twice (last at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2011)

Aaron Lynch

Tackles: 5, twice (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 Solos: 5, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Assists: 3, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 17, 2011)
 TFLs: 1.0, four times (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
 Sacks: 1.0, four times (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 17, 2011)
 FR: None
 PBU: 1, twice (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)

Kendall Moore

Tackles: 4, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Solos: 4, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Assists: 1, twice (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
 TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBU: None

Zeke Motta

Tackles: 11, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 Solos: 5, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 Assists: 6, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 TFLs: 1.0, vs. Pittsburgh (Oct. 9, 2010)
 Sacks: 0.5, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
 INTs: 1, twice (last at Michigan, Sept. 10, 2011)
 FF: None
 FR: 1, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 PBU: 1, three times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)

► Wood's versatility has been on display this season as well. He has registered 25 receptions for 175 yards. Wood has also upped his career total for catches to 45. Both totals rank in the top 10 in school history.

Receptions - Season (Running Back)

1.	Darius Walker	56 (2006)
2.	Armando Allen Jr.	50 (2008)
3.	Darius Walker	43 (2005)
4.	Bob Gladieux	37 (1968)
5.	Autry Denson	30 (1997)
6.	Joseph Heap	29 (1952)
7.	Armando Allen Jr.	28 (2009)
	Allen Pinkett	28 (1983)
9.	Cierre Wood	25 (2011)
	Marc Edwards	25 (1995)
	Mark Green	25 (1986)

Receptions - Career (Running Back)

1.	Armando Allen Jr.	119 (2007-10)
2.	Darius Walker	109 (2004-06)
3.	Allen Pinkett	73 (1982-85)
4.	Bob Gladieux	72 (1966-68)
5.	Joseph Heap	71 (1951-54)
6.	Mark Green	61 (1985-88)
7.	Autry Denson	53 (1995-98)
8.	Jim Morse	52 (1954-56)
9.	Marc Edwards	46 (1993-96)
10.	Cierre Wood	45 (2010-)

Yards From Scrimmage - Season (Non-QB)

1.	Allen Pinkett	1,682 (1983)
2.	Darius Walker	1,658 (2006)
3.	Darius Walker	1,547 (2005)
4.	Vagas Ferguson	1,509 (1979)
5.	Autry Denson	1,443 (1997)
6.	Reggie Brooks	1,367 (1992)
7.	Allen Pinkett	1,362 (1984)
8.	Julius Jones	1,321 (2003)
9.	Autry Denson	1,290 (1996)
10.	Raghib Ismail	1,278 (1990)
--	Cierre Wood	1,176 (2011)

- Wood has recorded three career multiple-rushing touchdown games, including Oct. 29 against Navy.
- Wood raced for a career-best 191 yards on 20 carries in the rout at Purdue on Oct. 1. The 191 yards was the most by an Irish running back since Julius Jones had 218 yards rushing at Stanford on Nov. 29, 2003. Wood's previous career-high was 134 yards earlier this season at Michigan.
- The 9.6 yards per rush was the highest by a Notre Dame running back (minimum 10 carries) since Darius Walker averaged 10.2 at Air Force on Nov. 11, 2006. Walker rushed for 153 yards on 15 carries.
- Wood ripped off a career-best 55-yard touchdown run with 9:06 left in the second quarter to give Notre Dame a 21-0 lead over the Boilermakers. The run was the longest of his career (bested 39-yard touchdown run against Western Michigan in 2010).
- Wood also surpassed the 100-yard rushing mark in the opening half (101 yards on nine carries). He has registered 100 or more yards on the ground in three of Notre Dame's nine games in 2011 (the first three 100-yard rushing games of his career).
- Wood had 69 yards on 16 carries in the first half against Pittsburgh and finished the afternoon with 94 yards on 23 rushes.
- Wood registered his second career multiple-rushing touchdown game in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State. Wood totaled only 61 yards on 14 carries, but he had scoring runs of six and 23 yards in the opening half. Wood carried six times for 59 yards on the opening scoring drive alone. He picked up a trio of first downs on runs of 11, 16 and 23 yards.
- Wood has already registered 17 plays of 15 yards or more, including 13 rushes and four receptions. He has recorded 36 rushes of 10 yards or more, 58 of his 187 carries have resulted in a touchdown or first down and 12 of his 23 rushing attempts on third down plays have resulted in a touchdown or first down.
- Wood rushed for 134 yards on 25 carries and one touchdown at Michigan. He eclipsed career-highs in both carries and rushing yards in each of the first two weeks of the season.
- Wood surpassed 100 yards in each of Notre Dame's first two games in 2011. He was the first Irish running back to exceed 100 yards on the ground in consecutive weeks since Armando Allen Jr. in 2009 (against both Michigan and Michigan State). Wood was the first Notre Dame running back to eclipse 100 yards rushing in the opening two weeks of a season since Darius Walker in 2005 (who actually had 100 yards on the ground in the first four games of the year).
- Wood rushed for 104 yards on 21 carries and a touchdown in the season opener against USF.
- Wood surpassed the 100-yard mark for the first time in his career against the Bulls. He became the first Irish running back to eclipse 100 yards since Armando Allen against Connecticut on Nov. 21, 2009.

THE ANDREW HENDRIX EXPERIENCE

- Sophomore QB **Andrew Hendrix** saw playing time for the first time in his Notre Dame career against Air Force on Oct. 8.
- Hendrix completed all four of his pass attempts for 33 yards and added a game-high 111 yards rushing. He was the first Irish quarterback to run for 100 yards since Carlyle Holiday on Oct. 27, 2001, at Boston College.
- Hendrix' 78-yard run in the fourth quarter was the second-longest in school history by a Notre Dame quarterback. Bill Eder had a 79-yard touchdown run against Navy on Nov. 1, 1969.
- Hendrix finished with 111 yards rushing on six carries. It was the most rushing yards by an Irish quarterback since Holiday had 130 yards on Oct. 13, 2001, against West Virginia.

Rushing Yards - Game (Quarterback)

Name	Carries	Avg.	Yards (Opponent, Date)
1. Bill Etter	11	13.3	146 (vs. Navy, Nov. 1, 1969)
2. Tony Rice	26	5.4	141 (at Penn State, Nov. 18, 1989)
3. Carlyle Holiday	30	4.3	130 (vs. West Virginia, Oct. 13, 2001)
4. Carlyle Holiday	19	6.4	122 (vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 6, 2001)
5. Andrew Hendrix	6	18.5	111 (vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)
6. Carlyle Holiday	22	5.0	109 (at Boston College, Oct. 27, 2001)
7. Amaz Battle	14	7.6	107 (vs. Nebraska, Sept. 9, 2000)
Jarious Jackson	15	7.1	107 (vs. Oklahoma, Oct. 2, 1999)
Tony Rice	14	7.6	107 (vs. Stanford, Oct. 1, 1988)
10. Paul Hornung	11	9.2	101 (vs. SMU, Sept. 22, 1956)

DEFENSE IS ABOUT POINTS, NOT YARDS

- ▶ Notre Dame is one of 15 FBS teams that has allowed less than 21.0 points/game over each of the last two seasons.
- ▶ Notre Dame's has allowed an average of 20.23 points/game over the last two seasons combined, which ranks as the 14th-best average over 2010-11 of any team in the FBS.

Team	2011 Scoring Defense	2010 Scoring Defense	2010-2011 Average
1. Alabama	8.36	13.54	10.95
2. LSU	10.00	18.23	14.12
3. Temple	13.64	19.08	16.36
4. Boise St.	20.50	12.77	16.64
5. Ohio St.	19.00	14.31	16.66
6. Florida St.	15.91	19.64	17.78
7. UCF	18.73	17.14	17.94
8. Wisconsin	15.91	20.54	18.23
9. Virginia Tech	16.91	20.57	18.74
10. Louisville	18.73	19.38	19.06
14. Notre Dame	20.27	20.23	20.25

IRISH DEFENSE MARKED IMPROVEMENT

- ▶ From the first game of the 2009 season through the eighth game of the 2010 season, the Irish allowed 11 of 20 opponents (55 percent) to gain at least 400 yards total offense. From the first game of the 2009 season through the ninth game of last season, the Irish allowed 12 of 21 opponents (57.1 percent) to rush for at least 150 yards.
- ▶ The improvement is striking in the last 15 games. The Irish have allowed only four of their last 15 opponents (26.7 percent) to gain as much as 400 yards total offense. During the last 15 games, only three have rushed for more than 150 yards in a game (20.0 percent).
- ▶ In the last 15 games, the Irish have allowed 129.07 yards rushing per game and 324.13 yards total offense. In the 15 games prior, Notre Dame surrendered 180.33 yards rushing per game and 386.27 yards total offense. That's a 51.26-yard drop in rushing yards allowed per game and a 62.14-yard fall in total offense per game.
- ▶ Notre Dame has kept nine of its last 15 opponents under 300 yards total offense while only two of the previous 15 were limited to less than 300 yards.
- ▶ The most impressive statistic is in the third quarter where the Irish defense has allowed just two touchdowns in the last 16 third quarters combined. Including all scores by the opposition, the Irish have surrendered just 30 points in the last 16 third quarters combined. That's an average of 1.88 points per third quarter.
- ▶ Here is a breakdown of the Irish defensive improvement over their last 15 games compared to the previous 15 games.

Last 15 Games	Category	Previous 15 Games
1,936	Net Rushing Yards	2,705
129.07	Rushing Yards/Game	180.33
3.63	Yards/Rush	4.67
9	Rushing Touchdowns	25
42	Longest Run	87
0	50+ Runs	5
4,862	Total Offense	5,794
324.13	Total Offense/Game	386.27
4.83	Total Offense/Play	5.65

IRISH DEFENSE LEADS THE WAY

- ▶ Notre Dame's defense has allowed two offensive touchdown or less in 11 of its last 15 games.
- ▶ Notre Dame has given up exactly nine rushing touchdowns over its last 16 games (dating back to the Tulsa game in 2010). Even more amazing, only three of those rushing touchdowns have come from an opposing running back (Jonathan Lee's eight-yard TD run for Air Force with the Irish leading 59-27 with 33 seconds left in the fourth quarter on Oct. 8, Josh Harris' two-yard run for Wake Forest in the second quarter on Nov. 5 and D.J. Adams' two-yard touchdown on Nov. 12 with the Irish leading Maryland, 45-14, with 37 seconds left).

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Troy Niklas

Tackles: 4, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
 Solos: 2, twice (last time vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)
 Assists: 4, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
 TFLs: 0.5, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: 1, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
 PBUs: None

Louis Nix III

Tackles: 6, three times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 Solos: 4, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Assists: 5, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
 TFLs: 1.0, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)
 Sacks: 0.5, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, vs. Boston College (Nov. 19, 2011)

Prince Shembo

Tackles: 6, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)
 Solos: 5, at Pittsburgh (Sept. 24, 2011)
 Assists: 4, vs. Navy (Oct. 29, 2011)
 TFLs: 2.0, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 Sacks: 2.0, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

Jamoris Slaughter

Tackles: 8, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 Solos: 4, vs. Army (Nov. 20, 2010)
 Assists: 5, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 TFLs: 1.0, twice (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, twice (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)
 Long INT Return: 26, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 INT Return Yards: 26, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 FF: 1, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, five times (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)

Harrison Smith

Tackles: 14, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 Solos: 8, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 Assists: 7, four times (last vs. USC, Oct. 22, 2011)
 TFLs: 2.0, twice (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Sacks: 2.0, at Washington (Oct. 25, 2008)
 INTs: 3, vs. Miami (Fla.) (Dec. 31, 2010)
 Long INT Return: 23, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 INT Return Yards: 23, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 PBUs: 5, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 17, 2011)
 FF: 1, twice (last at Wake Forest, Nov. 5, 2011)
 FR: None

Notre Dame Player Single-Game Highs

Danny Spond

Tackles: 6, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Solos: 5, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 Assists: 2, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 TFLs: 0.5, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

Manti Te'o

Tackles: 21, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 Solos: 8, three times (last at Pittsburgh, Sept. 24, 2011)
 Assists: 13, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 TFLs: 3.0, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
 Sacks: 2.0, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, six times (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)

Stephon Tuitt

Tackles: 7, twice (last vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 2011)
 Solos: 3, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 Assists: 6, vs. USC (Oct. 22, 2011)
 TFLs: 2.0, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 Sacks: 1.0, at Wake Forest (Nov. 5, 2011)
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)

Hafis Williams

Tackles: 2, four times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 Solos: 2, vs. Tulsa (Oct. 30, 2010)
 Assists: 1, four times (last vs. Maryland, Nov. 12, 2011)
 TFLs: None
 Sacks: None
 INTs: None
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)

Lo Wood

Tackles: 2, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Solos: 1, six times (last vs. Boston College, Nov. 19, 2011)
 Assists: 1, three times (last vs. Air Force, Oct. 8, 2011)
 TFLs: 0.5, vs. Air Force (Oct. 8, 2011)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, vs. Maryland (Nov. 12, 2011)
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: None

► USC's Mitch Mustain (2010) and Michigan's Denard Robinson each snuck in from one-yard out (Robinson's following a Wolverine fumble). Tim Jefferson of Air Force had a three-yard scoring run on Oct. 8 and Jarvi Cummings of Navy had a 12-yard touchdown run with the Irish leading 49-7 in the fourth quarter. Maryland's signal caller C.J. Brown had a 24-yard touchdown run on Nov. 12 and Boston College quarterback Josh Bordner had a two-yard touchdown run on Nov. 19. Even crazier, eight of the last 10 rushing touchdowns against the Irish have come from quarterbacks (when you include Ricky Dobbs' two rushing touchdowns in the third quarter of the game against Notre Dame on Oct. 23, 2010).

► Over the last 20 games, only four running backs have recorded a rushing touchdown against Notre Dame (Gee Gee Greene, Navy, 2010; Jon Lee, Air Force, 2011; Josh Harris, Wake Forest, 2011; D.J. Adams, Maryland, 2011).

► Notre Dame has surrendered 14 points or less in five games this season – Michigan State (13), Pittsburgh (12), Purdue (10), Navy (14) and Boston College (14). The Irish limited that many opponents to 14 points or less in the same season since 2002 when Notre Dame surrendered 14 points or less in six games.

► Notre Dame surrendered 13 points or less in three consecutive games – Michigan State (13), Pittsburgh (12) and Purdue (10). The Irish had not done that since 1989 when Notre Dame was the top-ranked team in college football. Notre Dame limited Pittsburgh (seven), Navy (zero) and SMU (six) all under 13 points.

► Notre Dame's defense has allowed only eight rushing touchdowns this year. Only four teams in the FBS have allowed fewer rushing touchdowns than the Irish.

FBS Rushing Touchdowns Allowed Leaders

Rank	School	Rushing TDs Allowed
1.	Alabama	3
2.	Utah	5
3.	LSU	6
	TCU	6
t5.	Notre Dame	8

► Notre Dame ranks 54th nationally in rush defense (142.64 rushing/game), and that's with already having faced Ray Graham of Pittsburgh and Denard Robinson of Michigan. The Irish have also faced Air Force and Navy, which enter this weekend ranked third and fourth, respectively, in the FBS in rushing yards per game.

► Notre Dame has limited USF, Michigan, Michigan State, Pittsburgh, Purdue, Navy, Maryland and Boston College on the ground to significant worse numbers than those teams average against everyone else on its 2011 schedule.

USF	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	126.0	202.7
Average Per Rush	3.0	5.0

MICHIGAN	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	114.0	249.7
Average Per Rush	4.4	5.3

MICHIGAN STATE	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	29.0	147.3
Average Per Rush	1.3	4.0

PITTSBURGH	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	103.0	164.2
Average Per Rush	2.7	4.1

PURDUE	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	84.0	172.0
Average Per Rush	3.1	4.3

NAVY	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	196.0	325.5
Average Per Rush	3.9	5.6

MARYLAND	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	145.0	188.2
Average Per Rush	4.1	5.4

BOSTON COLLEGE	Vs. Notre Dame	Vs. Everyone Else
Rushing Yards/Game	80.0	133.8
Average Per Rush	3.2	3.7

IRISH PRETTY TOUGH ON THIRD DOWN

► Notre Dame ranks 18th in the FBS in third-down defense. Irish opponents have managed to convert just 33.6% (52 of 155) on third down. Notre Dame's third-down defense in the first two quarters of its opening 11 games has been even better. Irish foes have converted just eight third downs in 32 attempts (25.0%) in the opening quarter and only 25 in 79 attempts (31.7%) in the first half. Here is a breakdown of Notre Dame's third-down defense.

Notre Dame's Third-Down Defense

	Overall	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
vs. USF	2-14 (14.3)	0-2 (0.0)	0-5 (0.0)	1-4 (25.0)	1-3 (33.3)
at Michigan	3-9 (33.3)	0-2 (0.0)	0-3 (0.0)	1-2 (50.0)	2-2 (100.0)
vs. MSU	5-17 (29.4)	1-4 (25.0)	1-3 (33.3)	1-4 (25.0)	2-6 (33.3)
at Pittsburgh	7-17 (41.2)	0-2 (0.0)	2-5 (40.0)	2-5 (40.0)	3-5 (60.0)
at Purdue	5-14 (35.7)	1-2 (50.0)	3-7 (42.9)	1-3 (33.3)	0-2 (0.0)
vs. Air Force	6-17 (35.3)	1-3 (33.3)	3-6 (50.0)	2-7 (28.6)	0-1 (0.0)
vs. USC	7-15 (46.7)	2-3 (66.7)	0-4 (0.0)	1-2 (50.0)	4-6 (66.7)
vs. Navy	8-17 (47.1)	3-5 (60.0)	3-6 (50.0)	2-4 (50.0)	0-2 (0.0)
at Wake Forest	3-10 (30.0)	0-2 (0.0)	2-3 (66.7)	0-2 (0.0)	1-3 (33.3)
vs. Maryland	3-12 (25.0)	0-4 (0.0)	1-2 (50.0)	0-1 (0.0)	2-5 (40.0)
vs. Boston College	3-13 (23.1)	0-3 (0.0)	2-3 (66.7)	1-5 (20.0)	0-2 (0.0)
Totals	52-155 (33.6)	8-32 (25.0)	17-47 (36.2)	12-39 (30.8)	15-37 (40.5)

FBS Third-Down Defense Leaders

Team	Attempts	Conversions	Pct.
1. Alabama	157	40	25.48
2. Georgia	152	43	28.29
3. UCF	148	43	29.05
4. Florida	151	44	29.14
5. Oklahoma	152	45	29.61
6. Stanford	137	42	30.66
7. Boise State	136	42	30.88
8. Virginia Tech	154	49	31.82
9. Michigan State	150	48	32.00
10. Pittsburgh	153	49	32.03
18. Notre Dame	155	52	33.55

- The Irish limited the Eagles to 3-of-13 (23.1) on third down in the game and 1-of-7 (14.3%) in the second half.
- Notre Dame limited Maryland to 3-of-12 (25.0%) on third down in the 45-24 rout on Nov. 12.
- The Terps were forced to punt on each of their first five possessions and they were only 1-of-7 through three quarters in third-down situations while falling behind 38-7.
- Navy won the opening coin toss on Oct. 29, elected to receive and promptly took 7:34 off the game clock on the opening drive. The Midshipmen managed 44 yards on 13 plays, just 3.7 yards per play, but missed a 47-yard field goal. Navy converted its first three third down attempts on the drive.
- Notre Dame had allowed only five third down conversions all season in the opening quarter entering the contest against the Midshipmen, but the Irish denied the Midshipmen on their final three third down attempts in the quarter.
- Navy was 6 for 11 on third down in the opening half.
- Navy faced third down on 17 occasions against the Notre Dame defense and the Mids had to get less than five yards for a first down only once in 17 attempts. The average distance to go for a first down was seven yards for Navy.

DEFENSE BLANKS WAKE FOREST IN SECOND HALF

- Notre Dame forced Boston College quarterback Chase Rettig into 10 straight incomplete passes in the second half. This string began when the Irish led only 13-7 and the Eagles took possession at the Notre Dame 48 with 5:25 left in the third quarter. That drive ended with two straight incomplete passes. Two more incomplete passes followed on the next Eagles offensive series that started at the Irish 49, forcing a punt. After Notre Dame went ahead by two scores, 16-7, two more Boston College possessions went nowhere with six incomplete passes tossed.
 - Boston College managed just 250 yards total offense, the second lowest total of the season posted by the Irish defense. The Eagles managed just 80 yards rushing on 25 carries for a 3.2-yard average. Due in large part to the defense's dominance, Notre Dame possessed the football 10:40 to Boston College's 4:20 in the crucial fourth quarter.
 - The Eagles registered more than 11 yards on just five of their 14 drives against the Irish. In fact, Boston College only had three drives that gained more than 21 total yards.
 - Notre Dame forced the Eagles into nine punts – the most for an Irish opponent in 2011 and most since Boston College on Oct. 2, 2010 (when the Eagles punted 11 times).
 - The Irish forced Boston College into six possessions that were three plays and out, including three of the Eagles first four drives and three consecutive in the third quarter.
- Notre Dame forced Maryland into a punt on its first five possessions on Nov. 12 and nearly matched that output against Boston College. The Eagles were forced into a punt following each of their first four drives on Nov. 19.

**Notre Dame Football
By The Numbers**

.733 - Notre Dame's winning percentage, the second-highest in college football history.

1 - Notre Dame is the only team, college or professional, to have all of its games broadcast nationally on the radio and is the only team to have all of its home games televised nationally (NBC).

6 - College Football Hall of Fame Coaches - Jesse Harper, Lou Holtz, Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy, Ara Parseghian and Dan Devine.

7 - Heisman Trophy Winners: Angelo Bertelli (1943), Johnny Lujack (1947), Leon Hart (1949), John Lattner (1953), Paul Hornung (1956), John Huarte (1964) and Tim Brown (1987).

10 - Alumni in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

11 - National Championships - since the AP poll began in 1936 (1943-46-47-49-66-73-77-88), the most AP titles of any other school. The Irish also earned consensus national titles in 1924, 1929 and 1930 prior to the AP rankings.

12 - Unbeaten and untied seasons.

21 - Seasons in which the team has been voted the national champion by at least one selector.

30 - Bowl games in which the Irish have taken part.

32 - Unanimous first-team All-Americans -- more than any other school.

36 - Irish players that captured Super Bowl titles.

43 - College Football Hall of Fame Players.

61 - Notre Dame players selected in the first round of the NFL draft.

96 - Consensus All-Americans -- more than any other school.

99 - Percent graduation rate among football players who enter on scholarship and remain at least four years.

104 - Out of 123 years in which Notre Dame has finished with a winning record.

123 - Years of college football (including 2011).

184 - Selections on All-America first teams.

225 - Consecutive sellouts at Notre Dame Stadium.

233 - Consecutive games televised nationally or regionally.

352 - Appearances by the Irish on network television -- more than any other school and more than the next two combined.

467 - Irish players drafted in the National Football League.

853 - All-time victories, third all-time in college football.

Notre Dame "Money" Plays

MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Cierre Wood	51	9	58	187
Jonas Gray	38	12	45	114
Tommy Rees	7	0	7	17
Andrew Hendrix	3	0	3	9
George Atkinson III	1	2	3	9
Theo Riddick	1	0	1	2
Dayne Crist	1	0	1	4
Michael Floyd	0	1	1	2
Totals	102	24	119	359

MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Michael Floyd	52	7	53	87
Tyler Eifert	38	5	40	53
TJ Jones	16	3	16	36
Theo Riddick	14	3	15	34
Robby Toma	11	1	11	15
Cierre Wood	6	0	6	25
John Goodman	2	0	2	6
Jonas Gray	2	0	2	6
Mike Ragone	1	0	1	1
Totals	142	19	146	266

3RD DOWN MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Cierre Wood	11	1	12	23
Jonas Gray	10	2	10	15
Tommy Rees	3	0	3	5
George Atkinson III	0	2	2	3
Totals	24	5	27	49

3RD DOWN MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Tyler Eifert	17	2	17	19
Michael Floyd	12	1	12	15
Theo Riddick	4	2	5	5
TJ Jones	4	1	4	4
John Goodman	2	0	2	3
Jonas Gray	1	0	1	1
Robby Toma	1	0	1	1
Totals	41	6	42	55

Money plays result in either a first down, touchdown or both.

15-YARD PLUS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
George Atkinson III	25	2	1	0	24	0	0	0
Michael Floyd	24	6	0	24	0	0	0	0
Cierre Wood	17	2	13	4	0	0	0	0
Theo Riddick	14	2	0	8	6	0	0	0
Tyler Eifert	13	2	0	13	0	0	0	0
Jonas Gray	12	3	11	1	0	0	0	0
TJ Jones	8	2	0	8	0	0	0	0
Robby Toma	5	0	0	5	0	0	0	0
Austin Collinsworth	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
Lo Wood	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Andrew Hendrix	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
John Goodman	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Bennett Jackson	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Robert Blanton	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Total	128	20	26	64	36	0	2	0

DEFENSE BLANKS WAKE FOREST IN SECOND HALF

- ▶ Wake Forest took the opening kickoff and marched 70 yards on eight plays to grab a 7-0 lead over Notre Dame on Nov. 5. The Demon Deacons picked up five first downs along the way. Wake Forest mixed up the run (30 yards) and pass (40 yards) perfectly on the drive.
- ▶ The Deacons managed just 224 yards of total offense the rest of the way – over a span of 10 drives and 55 plays. Wake Forest averaged just 4.1 yards per play after the opening drive.
- ▶ Notre Dame's defense was at the top of its game in the second half. With the Irish trailing 17-10 at intermission, Notre Dame's defense not only registered a shutout after halftime, but limited Wake Forest to 100 total yards, 20 yards on the ground (on 15 carries) and seven first downs.
- ▶ Here is a comparison between the first and second half.

1st Half	Category	2nd Half
17	Points	0
14	First Downs	7
22-90	Rushes-Yards (Net)	15-20
4.1	Rushing Yards/Carry	1.3
107	Passing Yards (Net)	80
36-197	Total Offense Plays-Yards	25-100
5.5	Total Offense Yards/Play	4.0
2/5	Third-Down Conversions	1/5
2-2	Red Zone Scores-Chances	0-2
0-0	Sacks	3-21
1-3	Tackles For Loss	6-30

- ▶ Wake Forest penetrated the Irish red zone on two separate occasions in the second half, but came away with no points.
- ▶ Notre Dame was without the services of senior DE tandem of **Kapron Lewis-Moore** and **Ethan Johnson** (both out with injury). The rookie DE duo of **Stephon Tuitt** and **Aaron Lynch** filled in and failed to miss a beat. The freshman tandem, along with fellow first-year player Louis Nix III, controlled the line of scrimmage for most of the night.
- ▶ Wake Forest averaged just 2.97 yards per carry in the game, including 2.42 yards per rush following the Demon Deacons opening touchdown drive (80 yards rushing on their final 33 carries of the game).
- ▶ Wake Forest's 100 total yards in the second half were the fewest by an Irish opponent in the second half in 2011. The Deacs' 40 yards in the fourth quarter were the fewest by a Notre Dame opponent in any fourth quarter this season.
- ▶ Notre Dame's defense recorded a shutout in the second half of a road game for the first time since the Boston College contest in 2010.

DEFENSE CONTROLS THE AIR FORCE SPREAD OPTION

- ▶ Notre Dame's first-team defense allowed 19 points to an Air Force offense that entered averaging over 38 points per game. The final two touchdowns and 147 of the 565 total yards came against third-team defenders on Oct. 8. In fact, over 25 percent of Air Force's final total yardage came in the last three possessions against the third-team defense.
- ▶ The two touchdowns scored on the first-team defense occurred on drives that had actually been stopped earlier in the possession. The first touchdown came one play after the Irish jumped off-sides on fourth-and-two from their own seven-yard line when the Falcons were attempting a field goal. The second touchdown came on a drive that was continued by a fake punt from the Air Force 35-yard line. The defense had allowed 15 yards on six plays in that possession before the Falcons punter scrambled 19 to keep the drive alive.
- ▶ Air Force gained only 107 yards on 28 plays in the third and fourth quarters against Notre Dame's first-team defense. A team that entered the contest averaging 7.7 yards per play was held to half that after halftime. The Irish starters were tough to run against after intermission as Air Force tallied 78 rushing yards on 20 carries.
- ▶ Explosive plays were non-existent in the second half as the only rush over 15 yards and pass over 20 yards in the second half came at the end of the game when the Irish cleared the bench in the waning two possessions.

TALE OF TWO DIFFERENT YEARS

- ▶ Notre Dame was torched for 367 yards on 60 carries in last season's 35-17 loss against Navy. The Irish limited the Midshipmen to 196 yards on 50 carries on Oct. 29.
- ▶ Notre Dame's front-line defense, which was removed from the game with 13:38 left in the fourth quarter, limited Navy to just 127 yards on 38 carries (3.3/rush). The Midshipmen totaled just 158 total yards against the Irish front-line defense.
- ▶ Here is a comparison between the Oct. 29 final rushing numbers and 2010.

2011	Category	2010
196	Rushing Yards	367
50	Carries	60
3.9	Yards per Rush	6.1
7	10+ yard runs	10
24	Two yards or less runs	15
6.0-11	Tackles for Loss	2.0-4
8-17	3rd Down	10-13
11	Rushing First Downs	18
5	Drives of 20+ yards	8
7	Drives of 20 yards or less	1

**Notre Dame
Football Replay Affiliates**

DMA	Station
NY/NJ/PA/Conn	YES Network
Ill/IN/IA/WIS	Comcast SportsNet Chicago
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18
New England	New England Sports Network
NC/PA/DC/MD/DEL/VA/WVA	Mid-Atlantic Sports Network
Cleveland and Ohio	SportsTime Ohio
New Orleans (LA/ARK/FLA)	Cox Sports Television
Denver	Moutain West Sports Net
Louisville	WKYI TV & WNDA Indiana 9
Providence (RI&Conn)	Cox Sports
Wichita-Hutchinson	KGPT TV 49 & KSMI TV 41
Toledo	WMNT-TV
Huntsville	WYAM TV 51
Rochester, NY	WRWB TV 16/TW SpNet
South Bend	CW25
Montana & Wyoming	The Big Sky Ch/Tetons TV
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV My 8
Clarksburg/ManningtonWV	TKMI Broadcasting
Direct TV-WHT National	DIRECT TV 321
Sky Angel IPTV-National	
21 affiliates (69,519,695 homes)	

**Inside Notre Dame
Football Affiliates**

DMA	Station
New York (NY/NJ/CN/PA)	Yes Network
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18
Chicago (IL/IN/IA/WI)	Comcast SportsNet Chicago
FLORIDA	Sun Sports Network
DC/DEL/MD/NC/PA/VA/WVA	Mid Atlantic Sports Network
IL/IN/MO/NE/KA/IA	Fox Sports Midwest
New England	New England Sports Network
Cleveland & All Ohio	SportsTime Ohio (Indians)
Pittsburgh	Root Sports Pitt
Indy/Ft.Wayne/Lafayette	Xfinity Channel 81
Louisville	WKYI CH 24 & WNDA Indiana 9
Providence (RI & Conn)	Cox Cable Sports
Wichita-Hutchinson	KGPT TV49
Toledo	WMNT-TV
Huntsville	WYAM TV 51
Rochester NY	WRWB TV 16/ Time Warner SportsNet
South Bend-Elkhart	WNDU-TV
Montana & Wyoming	The Big Sky Channel & Tetons TV
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV MY 8
Clarksburg/ManningtonWV	TKMI Broadcasting
Direct TV WHT-National	DIRECT TV 321
Sky Angel-IPTV-National	
On Demand from Xfinity	
Worldwide	und.com
25 affiliates (71,289,415 homes)	

DEFENSE STYMIES MICHIGAN STATE RUNNING GAME

► Michigan State managed just one rushing first down the entire game – and it came with two minutes remaining in the opening half. The Spartans have been held to one rushing first down or less just eight times in school history and three times have come against the Irish (1976, 1981 and 2011). Michigan State has been held to fewer first down rushes, zero, just once in school history and it came against Purdue in 1979.

Fewest Rushing First Downs In Michigan State Single-Game History

- 0 vs. Purdue, 1979
- 1 vs. Notre Dame, 2011** 1 vs. Iowa, 2010
1 vs. Iowa, 1995 1 vs. Notre Dame, 1981
1 vs. Notre Dame, 1976 1 vs. Mississippi State, 1947
1 vs. Auburn, 1938

► **Bob Diaco** – Notre Dame's defensive coordinator/inside linebackers coach and two-time all-Big Ten selection at Iowa – played a key role as the starting middle linebacker in the Hawkeyes' dominant effort of the Spartans in 1995 (another game in which Michigan State was held to one rushing first down).

► Notre Dame limited Michigan State to 29 yards rushing on 23 carries. It is the fewest rushing yards by the Spartans in the series with Notre Dame since Sept. 19, 1987. Michigan State managed just 21 yards in a 31-8 defeat.

► Michigan State entered the game averaging 175.0 yards per game on the ground.

► It was the fewest rushing yards allowed by the Irish since limiting Boston College to five yards on the ground on Oct. 2, 2010.

► Notre Dame registered 10 quarterback hurries, nine pass breakups, five tackles for loss and two sacks. The Irish also forced a pair of turnovers (both came following an Irish turnover).

► Freshman DE **Aaron Lynch** – seeing the most playing time to that point of his Irish career – absolutely dominated his counterparts on the Michigan State offensive line. He recorded six quarterback hurries, one sack, a forced fumble and five tackles. While Notre Dame tracks quarterback pressures at home, not every Irish opponent does the same on the road. To put into perspective what an incredible number that is, consider that senior DE **Ethan Johnson** and senior DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore**, plus senior OLB **Darius Fleming**, led the Irish in that category — with five apiece for the entire 2010 home season.

► Michigan State's longest run of the game went for eight yards.

► Notre Dame limited the Spartans to one yard or less on eight of their 23 carries.

► Notre Dame limited Michigan State to 13 yards rushing in the first half on 14 carries (just a 0.9 yards per carry average).

► The 13 yards rushing allowed by the Irish were the fewest by a Notre Dame opponent in a half since Western Michigan managed minus-two yards in the second half on Oct. 16, 2010.

► Michigan State's longest run of the first half went for five yards. In fact, the Irish held the Spartans to one yard or less on six of their 14 rushes before halftime.

► Michigan State amassed 154 total yards in the first half, 80 of which came on its 11-play touchdown drive early in the second quarter. The Spartans managed 74 yards on their other five drives. Notre Dame limited Michigan State to fewer than 17 yards on four of its six drives before halftime.

► The Irish allowed a total of 52 yards of total offense in the third quarter on 13 plays, including nine yards rushing on six carries.

DEFENSE SO OUT OF CHARACTER IN FOURTH QUARTER AT MICHIGAN

► Notre Dame's defense thoroughly dominated Michigan over the first two quarters and most of the third period. The Irish outgained the Wolverines, 145-27 and 123-63, in the opening 30 minutes (good for a halftime advantage in total yards of 268-90). Notre Dame then outgained Michigan, 142-51, in the third quarter before Denard Robinson's 77-yard pass completion with an Irish nearly defender pulling him down for a sack in the process. Notre Dame led 24-7 with just under two minutes left in the period and had outgained the Wolverines, 410-141, prior to that long pass play.

► Michigan then exploded for 28 points and 229 yards in the fourth quarter alone (306 over the final 16 minutes of the game).

► Notre Dame had allowed a total of five offensive touchdowns over its previous six games entering the tilt with Michigan. The Irish then limited the Wolverines to a touchdown over the first three quarters of the game. In fact, Notre Dame's five offensive touchdowns allowed came over a stretch of 28 quarters. Michigan nearly equalled that output in the fourth quarter alone.

► Just how out of character was the fourth quarter for the Irish? Here is an interesting comparison between Notre Dame's defense over the previous 28 quarters of football (entering the fourth quarter), the first three quarters against the Wolverines and then the fourth quarter.

Previous 28 Quarters

ND Opponents

First Downs/Game	14.7
By Rushing/Game	5.9
By Passing/Game	7.9
Penalty/Game	1.0

Rushing Yards/Game

Yards gained rushing/Game	138.1
Yards lost rushing/Game	19.3
Rushing Attempts/Game	34.3
Average Per Rush	3.5
TDs Rushing/Game	0.1

Passing Yards/Game

Completions/Game	16.3
Attempts/Game	29.3
Average Per Attempt	5.8
Average Per Completion	10.2
TDs Passing/Game	0.7
Interceptions/Game	1.4

Total Yards/Game

Total Plays/Game	63.6
Average Per Play	4.6

3rd-Down Conversions

3rd-Down Pct	33%
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4th-Down Conversions

4th-Down Pct	50%
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First 3 Quarters vs. UM

Michigan

First Downs	6
By Rushing	3
By Passing	3
Penalty	0

Rushing Yards

Yards gained rushing	103
Yards lost rushing	16
Rushing Attempts	19
Average Per Rush	4.6
TDs Rushing	0

Passing Yards

Completions	4
Attempts	14
Average Per Attempt	9.7
Average Per Completion	34.0
TDs Passing	1
Interceptions	2

Total Yards

Total Plays	33
Average Per Play	6.8

3rd-Down Conversions

3rd-Down Pct	14%
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4th-Down Conversions

4th-Down Pct	0%
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4th Quarter vs. UM

Michigan

First Downs	10
By Rushing	2
By Passing	7
Penalty	1

Rushing Yards

Yards gained rushing	32
Yards lost rushing	5
Rushing Attempts	7
Average Per Rush	3.9
TDs Rushing	1

Passing Yards

Completions	10
Attempts	7
Average Per Attempt	20.2
Average Per Completion	28.9
TDs Passing	3
Interceptions	1

Total Yards

Total Plays	17
Average Per Play	13.5

3rd-Down Conversions

3rd-Down Pct	100%
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4th-Down Conversions

4th-Down Pct	0%
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* excludes the fourth quarter against Michigan

DEFENSE DOMINATES FIRST HALF AGAINST MICHIGAN

► Michigan did not register a first down until the third-to-last play of the first quarter. The Wolverines had gained 27 yards on its first nine plays of the game. Notre Dame limited Michigan to 2.7 yards per play in the first quarter.

► Notre Dame forced its first turnover of the season on the ensuing play following Michigan's initial first down of the game.

► Michigan did register a touchdown in the second quarter, on a 43-yard pass from Denard Robinson to Junior Hemingway, but was held to a total of 47 yards over its other 21 plays (that's a 2.1 per play average).

► Notre Dame allowed just three first downs in the first half. The Irish forced the Wolverines into a trio of three-and-outs in the opening 30 minutes. Michigan's longest drive of the first half was four plays. Six of the Wolverines' seven first-half drives totaled 21 yards or less, including four that failed to even manage 10 yards.

► The Wolverines managed just 223 yards and six first downs over the first three periods and 120 of those 223 yards came on two plays. The Wolverines managed just 103 yards on their other 33 plays in the first three quarters (an average of 3.1 yards per play).

DEFENSE DOES ITS PART VS. USF

► Notre Dame limited USF to a total of 254 yards of offense, including 110 yards after halftime. Notre Dame allowed just 3.0 yards per rush, 3.5 yards per play, 4.3 yards per pass attempt, one offensive touchdown and 2-of-14 on third-down conversions.

► In the second half with a lead and looking to run the football, USF managed a grand total of 43 yards on the ground on 21 carries or a 2.0 per rush. The Bulls' needed 37 plays from scrimmage to collect those 110 second-half total yards. USF averaged a shade under 3.0 yards per play after intermission.

► USF wide receiver Lindsey Lamar had the longest scamper of the game against Notre Dame (a 17-yard run). Otherwise, the Irish contained the Bulls' running game. If you eliminate Lamar's 17-yard run and the Bulls averaged just 2.7 yards per carry over their other 41 rushes. USF had 22 carries for two yards or less.

► The Bulls did mount one touchdown drive and marched 80 yards on 14 plays. On USF's other 14 drives against the Irish defense, it never gained more than 45 yards. In fact, the Bulls had nine drives in which they failed to advance the ball more than 17 yards. Six drives did not even garner 10 yards.

► Notre Dame forced USF into a punt on five of its seven second-half drives and one of those drives included the final play of the contest – a kneel down.

► USF benefitted from great field position on two of its scoring drives (both field goals). The Bulls opened a drive at the Irish 20-yard line following a muffed punt by junior WR **Theo Riddick** and opened another drive at the Notre Dame 40-yard line following a 34-yard punt return.

► The longest drive of the opening half for USF was 45 yards and it took the Bulls 12 plays to accumulate that total.

- ▶ Notre Dame did not allow USF a third-down conversion in seven first-half attempts.
- ▶ Notre Dame limited USF to 48 total yards in the third quarter, including five yards rushing on six carries.
- ▶ The Irish collected two sacks against one of the more mobile quarterbacks in the country — B.J. Daniels. Notre Dame's starting defensive ends senior **Kapron Lewis-Moore** and senior **Ethan Johnson** combined for 12 tackles. The nose guard tandem of senior **Sean Cwynar** and sophomore **Louis Nix III** amassed 10 tackles, six for Nix in his first collegiate appearance. In all, the Irish defensive line registered 23 tackles. If you include senior OLB **Darius Fleming**, who spends significant action on the line of scrimmage in the Notre Dame 3-4 look, the group totaled 31 stops.
- ▶ Notre Dame used 16 different players on defense via rotation during its first series on the field that lasted eight plays. Seeing action off the bench right away were the freshmen DE duo of **Stephon Tuitt** and **Aaron Lynch**, sophomore NG **Louis Nix III**, junior ILB **Carlo Calabrese** and junior S **Zeke Motta**.

STATS TURNED IRRELEVANT

- ▶ Notre Dame racked up 27 first downs and 508 total yards against USF. The 508 total yards in the game for the Irish were exactly twice as many as the Bulls (254).
- ▶ The 254 yards allowed are the second-fewest by an Irish defense under Kelly.
- ▶ Notre Dame outgained USF, 152-62, in the first quarter, but the Bulls led 13-0.
- ▶ The Irish outgained USF, 317-110, in the second half.

Notre Dame	Category	USF
4.0	Yards Per Rush	3.0
391	Passing Yards	128
8.0	Yards Per Attempt	4.3
12.6	Yards Per Completion	7.1
508	Total Yards	254
6.5	Yards Per Play	3.5
7	20+ yard offensive plays	0

TE'O PACKS A HAWAIIAN PUNCH

- ▶ Junior LB **Manti Te'o** has been named to a number of preseason award lists, including the Bednarik, Butkus, Lombardi and Nagurski. He was also named to numerous preseason All-American teams. Te'o recently was named a semifinalist for the Lombardi Award and Lott Trophy.
- ▶ Te'o leads the Irish in total tackles (103), solo stops (50), assisted tackles (53) and tackles on running plays (74).
- ▶ Te'o ranks tied for 28th in the FBS in tackles per game (9.36) and tied for 65th in tackles for loss (1.05/game). He ranks tied for 21st in total tackles and tied for 22nd in tackles for loss among linebackers.
- ▶ He has accomplished all of this playing most of the season with an injured ankle.
- ▶ Off the gridiron, Te'o has excelled in the classroom and in the community. He has earned a 3.487 cumulative grade-point average at Notre Dame and has volunteered dozens of hours at a local youth center. While he was in high school, the former Eagle Scout volunteered his time at Hawaii Special Olympics and with the Head Start preschool program.
- ▶ Te'o finished with a team-high 12 tackles against Boston College on Nov. 19. He added 0.5 tackles for loss and three quarterback hurries. Te'o has eclipsed 10 or more tackles in seven of Notre Dame's 11 games in 2011 and 16 different times over his career. He has led Notre Dame in tackles seven times in 2011 and 17 different times over his career.
- ▶ Te'o registered 12 tackles on Boston College's 63 offensive plays (19.05%). Luke Kuechly accounted for 14 tackles on Notre Dame's 78 offensive plays (17.95).
- ▶ Te'o finished with a game-high 13 tackles in the rout of Navy on Oct. 29. He added 2.5 tackles for loss and half a sack.
- ▶ Te'o finished with 10 tackles in the loss to USC on Oct. 22.
- ▶ Te'o paced the Irish defense with 10 tackles, five solo stops, two and a half for loss and one pass breakup, in the victory over Air Force on Oct. 8.
- ▶ Te'o paced the Irish defense with eight tackles, all solo stops, three for loss and two sacks, in the victory at Purdue on Oct. 1.
- ▶ Te'o registered a team-high 10 tackles in the victory over Pittsburgh. He also added a sack.
- ▶ Te'o registered a team-high 12 tackles in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State.
- ▶ Te'o finished with a game-high 14 tackles in the season opener against USF. He had seven solo stops, seven assisted tackles and one sack. The 14 tackles were the second-most in his career.
- ▶ Te'o paced the Irish last year with 133 tackles and his nine and a half tackles for loss ranked second on the team. He was named a second-team All-American by SI.com after the season and Te'o was also a semifinalist in 2010 for both the Bednarik Award (top collegiate defender) and Butkus Trophy (top collegiate linebacker).

- ▶ The 133 tackles by Te'o in 2010 were the most by a Notre Dame player since Tony Furjanic made 147 in 1983.
- ▶ Te'o has recorded 299 tackles in his career and sits just one tackle shy of the 300 mark. He would be come the 10th or 11th player in Irish history to ever reach 300 career stops. Senior S **Harrison Smith** also has 299 career tackles.

Tackles — Career

1.	Bob Crable	521 (1978-81)
2.	Bob Golic	479 (1975-78)
3.	Steve Heimkreiter	398 (1975-78)
4.	Bob Olson	369 (1967-69)
5.	Tony Furjanic	361 (1982-85)
6.	Mike Kovaleski	353 (1983-86)
7.	Ross Browner	340 (1973, 1975-77)
8.	Maurice Crum Jr.	306 (2005-08)
9.	Tom Zbikowski	300 (2004-07)
10.	Harrison Smith	299 (2007-)
	Manti Te'o	299 (2009-)

- ▶ Te'o also ranks 13th in the FBS among active players in career tackles per game (8.20).

FBS Active Tackle Leaders/Game

	Name, School	Yr.	Pos.	GP	UT	AT	TT	TT/Gm
1	Luke Kuechly, Boston College	JR	LB	37	293	230	523	14.1
2	Brian Wagner, Akron	JR	LB	35	193	216	409	11.7
3	Trent Mackey, Tulane	JR	LB	24	159	110	269	11.2
4	Lavonte David, Nebraska	SR	LB	25	137	129	266	10.6
5	Marcus McGraw, Houston	SR	LB	50	228	246	474	9.5
6	Bobby Wagner, Utah St.	SR	LB	45	191	226	417	9.3
7	Carmen Messina, New Mexico	SR	LB	47	208	225	433	9.2
8	Travis Freeman, Ball St.	JR	LB	35	122	199	321	9.2
9	Keith Smith, San Jose St.	SO	LB	24	107	105	212	8.8
10	Jamie Bender, UAB	SR	DB	23	134	65	199	8.7
13.	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame	Jr.	LB	36	145	154	299	8.31

- ▶ Te'o also leads the Irish in sacks (4.5) and tackles for loss (11.5). He ranks even higher among line-backers — tied for 15th in tackles for loss and tied for 24th in sacks.
- ▶ Among inside or middle linebackers, Te'o ranks tied for second in solo tackles for loss, tied for second in solo sacks, third in total sacks, third in sacks per game, fourth in tackles for loss per game and fifth in total tackles for loss.

FBS Middle Linebacker Sack Leaders

	Name, School	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
1.	Bruce Taylor, Virginia Tech	4	2	27	5.0	.63
2.	Vontaze Burfict, Arizona St.	5	0	40	5.0	.56
2.	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame	4	1	17	4.5	.50

FBS Middle Linebacker Tackle for Loss Leaders

	Name, School	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
1.	Chris Borland, Wisconsin	10	10	28	15.0	1.50
	Andrew Jackson, Western Kentucky	9	12	47	15.0	1.50
3.	Trent Mackey, Tulane	9	6	38	12.0	1.09
4.	Dwayne Woods Jr., Bowling Green	11	2	40	12.0	1.20
5.	Manti Te'o, Notre Dame	10	2	29	11.0	1.10

SLAUGHTER HOUSE TWO

- ▶ Senior S **Jamoris Slaughter** forced a fumble on Air Force's first offensive play of the game. The forced fumble was the first of his career.
- ▶ Slaughter added his first interception of the season and second of his career later in the game.

LO WOOD ON A HIGH NOTE

- ▶ Sophomore CB **Lo Wood** collected his first career interception in the third quarter against Maryland on Nov. 12. He promptly returned it 57 yards for a touchdown.
- ▶ Wood's interception return for a touchdown was the first by an Irish player since Darrin Walls had a 42-yard interception return against Army in 2010 at Yankee Stadium.

HARRISON SMITH LEADS SECONDARY

► Senior S **Harrison Smith** registered a career-high 14 tackles in Notre Dame's loss to USC on Oct. 22. He recorded back-to-back 10+ tackle games for the second time in his career. He had 10 and 11 stops against Michigan State (Sept. 18) and Stanford (Sept. 25), respectively, in 2010.

► Smith collected a game-high 11 tackles in the victory over Wake Forest on Nov. 5. He registered his ninth career 10 or more tackle game. Smith also chipped in with a tackle for loss.

► Smith recorded a team-high 12 stops, including seven solo tackles, against Air Force on Oct. 8.

► Smith rebounded from a disappointing effort against Michigan with one of the top games in his Irish career a week later against Michigan State. Smith registered eight tackles, four solo stops and recorded five pass breakups. The five pass breakups are likely the most by an Irish player in single-game school history when you consider 10 over an entire season ranks tied for 10th most in single-season history. Only five players have recorded five or more pass breakups in an entire season dating back to 2007.

► The five passes defended against Michigan State tied for the third-most in the FBS this season.

FBS Passes Defended - Game

	Name, School	Opp.	Date	PD
1.	Matt Daniels, Duke	Richmond	Sept. 3	6
	Casey Hayward, Vanderbilt	Arkansas	Oct. 29	6
3.	Harrison Smith, Notre Dame	Michigan State	Sept. 17	5
	David Amerson, North Carolina State	Liberty	Sept. 3	5
	Trey Wilson, Vanderbilt	Ole Miss	Sept. 17	5
	Royce Hill, North Texas	Fla. Atlantic	Oct. 8	5

► Smith ranks second on the Irish in total tackles (80), solo stops (47) and assisted tackles (33).

► Smith is now one tackle shy of 300 for his career. He will become the 10th or 11th player in Notre Dame history with 300 or more tackles. Junior ILB **Manti Te'o** also has 299 career tackles.

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► Smith leads the Irish with nine pass breakups in 2011, which ranks tied for 36th in the FBS overall and 38th in PBUs/game.

FBS Pass Breakup Leaders

	Name, School	PBUs
1.	Merrill Noel, Wake Forest	18
2.	E.J. Gaines, Missouri	16
3.	Matt Daniels, Duke	14
	Najja Johnson, Buffalo	14
5.	Isaiah Frey, Nevada	13
	Broderick Brown, Oklahoma State	13
7.	Jordan Poyer, Oregon State	12
	L.J. Jones, Fresno State	12
	Desmond Marrow, Toledo	12
	Dayonne Nunley, Miami (OH)	12
	Trevin Wade, Arizona	12
	Josh Robinson, UCF	12
	Desmond Trufant, Washington	12
	Terrence Frederick, Texas A&M	12
	Sanders Commings, Georgia	12
	Jonte Green, New Mexico State	12
	Preston Hadley, BYU	12
	Corby Eason, BYU	12
t-36.	Harrison Smith, Notre Dame	9

► Smith now has registered 27 pass breakups over his career, which ranks tied for second all-time.

Passes Broken Up - Career

	Name	Passes Broken Up	Interceptions - Season	Player	Season
1.	Clarence Ellis	32 (1969-71)	1.	Mike Townsend	10 (1972)
2.	Harrison Smith	27 (2007-)	2.	Tom MacDonald	9 (1962)
	Luther Bradley	27 (1973-77)	3.	Angelo Bertelli	8 (1942)
4.	Shane Walton	25 (1999-02)		Tony Carey	8 (1964)
5.	Dave Waymer	22 (1976-79)		Todd Lyght	8 (1989)
6.	Todd Lyght	20.5 (1987-90)	6.	Harrison Smith	7 (2010)
7.	Darrin Walls	20 (2006-10)		Tom Schoen	7 (1966)
	Ralph Stepaniak	20 (1969-71)		Clarence Ellis	7 (1970)
9.	Thomas O'Leary	19 (1965-67)		Dave Duerston	7 (1982)
10.	Vontez Duff	18 (2000-03)		Shane Walton	7 (2002)

► Smith has 299 tackles, 17.5 tackles for loss, 27 pass breakups and seven interceptions over his Irish career. He is the first Notre Dame player to ever register 200 or more tackles, 15 or more tackles for loss and 15 or more pass breakups.

► Smith has recorded 212 of 299 career tackles as a defensive back, which ranks sixth all-time. His total of 93 tackles in 2010 ranks as the fifth-most in single-season history by an Irish defensive back.

Tackles - Career - Defensive Back

	Name	Tackles - Career - Defensive Back	Tackles - Season - Defensive Back	Player	Season
1.	Tom Zbikowski	300 (2004-07)	1.	Kyle McCarthy	110 (2008)
2.	Kyle McCarthy	240 (2005-09)	2.	Kyle McCarthy	101 (2009)
3.	Jim Browner	228 (1976-78)	3.	Chinedum Ndukwe	98 (2006)
4.	A'Jani Sanders	225 (1996-99)	4.	David Bruton	97 (2008)
5.	David Bruton	214 (2005-08)	5.	Harrison Smith	93 (2010)
6.	Harrison Smith	212 (2008-)	6.	Steve Lawrence	92 (1985)
7.	Brian Magee	206 (1992-95)	7.	A'Jani Sanders	91 (1999)
8.	Deke Cooper	203 (1997-99)	8.	David Bruton	85 (2007)
9.	Jeff Burris	189 (1991-93)	9.	Brian Magee	81 (1994)
10.	John Covington	184 (1990-93)		Glenn Earl	81 (2002)
	Stacey Toran	184 (1980-83)	--	Harrison Smith	80 (2011)

► Smith is Notre Dame's lone season captain. He is the first Irish lone season captain since 1999 when Jarious Jackson held the individual honor. The other single individual captains for Notre Dame in the last 40 years include Jarious Jackson (1999), Rodney Culver (1991) and Mike Kovaleski (1986).

► Smith ranks tied for 15th among active FBS players with 180 career solo tackles.

FBS Career Solo Tackle Leaders

	Name, School	Yr.	Pos.	UT
1	Luke Kuechly, Boston College	Jr.	LB	293
2	Travis Lewis, Oklahoma	Sr.	LB	229
3	Marcus McGraw, Houston	Sr.	LB	228
4	Carmen Messina, New Mexico	Sr.	LB	208
5	Cumelius Arnick, Tulsa	Sr.	LB	201
6	Chris Marve, Vanderbilt	Sr.	LB	200
7	Danny Trevathan, Kentucky	Sr.	LB	195
8	Brian Wagner, Akron	Jr.	LB	193
8	Cody Davis, Texas Tech	Jr.	DB	193
10	Bobby Wagner, Utah State	Sr.	LB	191
15.	Harrison Smith, Notre Dame	Sr.	DB	180

► Smith collected three interceptions in the first half alone of the Hyundai Sun Bowl in 2010. The three interceptions not only equaled a school record, but is also equaled the Sun Bowl record. Smith became 14th Notre Dame player to accomplish the feat and first since Shane Walton against Maryland in 2002. Buddy McClinton of Auburn had three interceptions in the 1968 Sun Bowl.

► Smith's three interceptions was an Irish bowl game record. It bested Elmer Layden's previous school record of two picks set against Stanford in the 1925 Rose Bowl.

► Smith finished 2010 with seven interceptions, which ranked fourth nationally in total picks and interceptions per game. Smith also joined Jayron Hosley of Virginia Tech and Marco Nelson of Tulsa as the only three players in the FBS in 2010 to record three interceptions in one game.

ROBERT "BIG PLAY" BLANTON

- ▶ Senior DB **Robert Blanton** has turned himself into one of the top defensive backs in the country. Blanton is tied for the team-lead with two interceptions and ranks second in tackles for loss (8.0), third in passes defended (five), tied for third in pass breakups (three), third in tackles (63) and third in solo stops (42).
- ▶ Blanton's 0.73 tackles for loss per game ranks just outside the top 100 in the FBS, but he does rank tied for fifth in the nation among defensive backs in solo tackles for loss, tied for sixth in tackles for loss per game and sixth in total tackles for loss.

FBS Defensive Back Tackle For Loss Leaders

Name, School	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
1. Aaron Brown, Hawaii	10	2	52	11.0	1.10
2. Winston Guy, Kentucky	9	6	32	12.0	1.09
3. Kyle Fuller, Virginia Tech	11	1	40	11.5	1.05
4. Khaseem Greene, Rutgers	8	6	41	11.0	1.00
5. Gerald Hodges, Penn State	9	2	40	10.0	0.91
t-6. Robert Blanton, Notre Dame	8	0	24	8.0	0.73

- ▶ Blanton's 19.0 career tackles for loss are the most by an Irish defensive back since the start of the 1998 season.
- ▶ Blanton had a career-high equaling 10 stops, including seven solo tackles, and two for loss in the victory at Wake Forest on Nov. 5.
- ▶ Blanton has eclipsed the 10-tackle plateau on two different occasions in 2011.
- ▶ Blanton had 10 stops, including seven solo tackles, one for loss and recovered a fumble in the rout of Air Force on Oct. 8.
- ▶ Blanton quite possibly registered the best game of his career in the victory over No. 15 Michigan State. He had six tackles, three for loss, three pass breakups, one sack and an interception. After Michigan State recovered a muffed punt deep in Irish territory trailing by 15 points with just over four minutes left in regulation, Blanton picked off a Kirk Cousins' pass and raced 82 yards to set up a field goal that sealed the Notre Dame victory.
- ▶ Blanton played in 12 games in 2010 and only started one contest, but it did not deter him from making a number of big plays.
- ▶ Blanton blocked a punt and returned it six yards for a touchdown against Utah on Nov. 13. He was the first Irish player to block a punt since Dec. 24, 2008, against Hawai'i in the Hawai'i Bowl. Blanton was also the first Notre Dame player to return a blocked punt for a touchdown since Toryan Smith (14 yards) on Nov. 15, 2008, against Navy.
- ▶ The touchdown was the second of Blanton's career. He registered a 47-yard interception return for touchdown against Purdue on Sept. 27, 2008.
- ▶ Blanton registered 7.0 tackles for loss in 2010, which ranked third-best on the team. The 7.0 tackles for loss were the most by an Irish defensive back since A'Jani Sanders had 10.0 during the 1999 season.

JOHNSON, FLEMING ENJOYING THEIR SACK LUNCHES

- ▶ Notre Dame senior LB **Darius Fleming** (15.0) and senior DE **Ethan Johnson** (12.5) have combined for 27.5 sacks over their career.
- ▶ Fleming and Johnson are each gaining ground on the career sack totals at Notre Dame. Sacks did not become an officially recognized statistics until 1982.
- ▶ Fleming is also approaching the top 10 list for career tackles for loss.

Sacks – Career		Tackles for Loss – Career	
1. Justin Tuck	24.5 (2002-04)	1. Ross Browner	77-515 (1973, 1975-77)
2. Kory Minor	22.5 (1995-98)	2. Kory Minor	44.5-209 (1995-98)
3. Victor Abiamiri	21.5 (2003-06)	3. Justin Tuck	42-209 (2002-04)
4. Mike Gann	21.0 (1981-84)	Anthony Weaver	42-121 (1998-2001)
5. Renaldo Wynn	19.5 (1993-96)	5. Victor Abiamiri	40-219 (2003-06)
6. Ryan Roberts	19.0 (1999-2002)	Walt Patulski	40-264 (1969-71)
7. Bryant Young	18.0 (1990-93)	7. Courtney Watson	39-151 (2000-03)
8. Anthony Weaver	17.0 (1998-2001)	8. Scott Zettek	38-212 (1976-80)
9. Bert Berry	16.5 (1993-96)	9. Brandon Hoyte	36-119 (2002-05)
10. Darius Fleming	15.0 (2008-)	10. Derek Landri	34.5-136 (2002-06)
-- Ethan Johnson	12.5 (2008-)	-- Darius Fleming	31.5-128 (2008-)

LYNCH PIN OF IRISH FRONT FOUR

- ▶ Freshman DE **Aaron Lynch** has come into his own for Notre Dame. He picked up his first career start on Oct. 8 against Air Force. Against Purdue on Oct. 1, Lynch had three solo tackles, including his third sack of the season and third in as many games. Lynch was the first Irish player to register unassisted sacks in three consecutive games since **Kyle Budinscak** accomplished the feat in the final three games of the 2004 season. In fact, a Notre Dame player had not registered unassisted sacks in three straight regular season games since **Justin Tuck** in 2003. **Ryan Roberts** is the last Irish player to have a sack in four straight games – the first four contests of the 2000 season.
- ▶ Lynch had a pair of tackles and sack in the victory over Pittsburgh on Sept. 24. In the rout of No. 15 Michigan State on Sept. 17, Lynch registered his first career sack and forced fumble on a 3rd and five play late in the first quarter. He not only sacked Spartan QB **Kirk Cousins** for a loss of 10 yards, but knocked the ball loose and senior DE **Ethan Johnson** recovered the fumble.
- ▶ Lynch – seeing the most playing time to that point of his Irish career – absolutely dominated his counterparts on the Michigan State offensive line. He recorded six quarterback hurries, one sack, a forced fumble and five tackles. While Notre Dame tracks quarterback pressures at home, not every Irish opponent does the same on the road. To put into perspective what an incredible number that is, consider that senior DE **Ethan Johnson** and senior DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore**, plus senior OLB **Darius Fleming**, led the Irish in that category — with five apiece for the entire 2010 home season. Lynch had a sack and three tackles in the victory over Wake Forest on Nov. 5.
- ▶ Lynch ranks just outside the top 100 in the FBS in sacks per game (0.40). His 0.40 sacks per game is second-best among true freshman, while his total of four sacks is tied for second. Here is the list:

FBS True Freshman Sacks Leaders

Name, School	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	PG
1. Jadeveon Clowney, South Carolina	5	0	34	5.0	0.45
2. Aaron Lynch, Notre Dame	4	0	24	4.0	0.40
3. Dyshawn Davis, Syracuse	4	0	28	4.0	0.36

FIRST YEAR TRIO OF LYNCH, TUITT, NIX III

- ▶ The freshman DE tandem of **Aaron Lynch** and **Stephon Tuitt**, as well as sophomore (but first-year player) NG **Louis Nix III** have been vital to the success of the Irish defensive line in 2011. The trio has helped Notre Dame overcome the injuries that cost senior DE **Ethan Johnson** four games and senior DE **Kapron Lewis-Moore** the entire season.
- ▶ The trio has seen action in a combined 29 games and made 16 career starts.
- ▶ Nix III and Tuitt rank seventh and 12th, respectively, on the Irish in tackles, including first and third among the defensive line.
- ▶ Lynch is second on Notre Dame in sacks and fourth in tackles for loss and leads the team with 13 quarterback hurries. While the Irish track quarterback pressures at home, not every Notre Dame opponent does the same on the road. Nonetheless, the 13 quarterback hurries are the most by an Irish player in a single season since the stat began getting tracked in 1998.

	GP-GS	UT	AT	TT	TFL-Yds	Scks-Yds	PBU	Qbh	FR-Yds	FF	Bldk	Saf
NIX III, Louis	11-9	10	28	38	2.5-5	0.5-1	1
TUITT, Stephon	8-3	9	18	27	2.0-14	1.0-11	1	2
LYNCH, Aaron	10-4	14	8	22	5.0-26	4.0-24	2	13	.	1	.	.

DAVID RUFFER HAD PERFECT 20/20 VISION

- ▶ Despite a challenging start to the 2011 season (two of six at one point), senior PK **David Ruffer** has rebounded and ranks third among FBS active leaders in career field goal percentage (86.84). He has connected on 33 of his 38 career field goal attempts. Ruffer actually made the first 23 field goals of his career. The 23 straight field goals was the longest streak in school history.
- ▶ Ruffer registered his fifth career game with at least three field goals in the victory over Boston College on Nov. 19. He did it three different times in 2010 and once in 2009.
- ▶ Ruffer has now connected on eight straight field goals dating back to Purdue (Oct. 1).
- ▶ Ruffer is now 10-for-14 (.714) this season and 13-for-14 (.929) on field goals of 40 yards or longer over his career.

FBS Career Field Goal Percentage Leaders

Name, School	FGA	FGM	FG %
1. Brett Baer, La.-Lafayette	24	22	91.67
2. Matt Hogan, Houston	41	36	87.80
3. David Ruffer, Notre Dame	38	33	86.84
4. Derek Dimke, Illinois	43	37	86.05
Justin Tucker, Texas	43	37	86.05

► Ruffer connected on a career-long 52-yard field goal with 2:47 remaining in the first quarter to push the Irish lead to 10-0 over Maryland on Nov. 12.

► The 52-yard field goal is the second-longest in school history. Dave Reeve's 53-yard field goal against Pittsburgh in 1976 still stands alone.

Longest Field Goals

1.	Dave Reeve (Pittsburgh, 1976)	53
2.	David Ruffer (Maryland, 2011)	52
3.	Nicholas Setta (Maryland, 2002)	51
	John Carney (SMU, 1984)	+51
	Harry Oliver (Michigan, 1980)	51
	Dave Reeve (Michigan State, 1977)	51
7.	David Ruffer (Miami, Fla., 2010)	50
	David Ruffer (Pittsburgh, 2010)	50
	D.J. Fitzpatrick (Syracuse, 2003)	50
	Harry Oliver (Georgia, 1980)	\$50
	Harry Oliver (Navy, 1980)	50

+Aloha Bowl

\$ Sugar Bowl

► Ruffer's previous career-long was 50 yards – set on two different occasions. He is the second place kicker in school history with three or more field goals of 50 yards or longer (Harry Oliver is the other).

► Ruffer missed two straight kicks after the 23 straight, including a 30-yarder in the loss to USF, but connected on two straight before missing another field goal at Pittsburgh.

► Prior to his first career miss against Miami (Fla.) in the Hyundai Sun Bowl in 2010, Ruffer was the only kicker in the FBS in 2010 still perfect in field goal attempts. He also was the only kicker in the FBS still perfect for his career.

► Ruffer's 18 straight field goals in one season was an Irish school record.

Most Consecutive Field Goals - Season

1.	David Ruffer	18 (2010)
2.	Nick Tausch	14 (2009)
3.	Mike Johnston	13 (1982)

► Ruffer's 23 straight field goals was the longest active streak in the FBS. The NCAA record for consecutive field goals converted is 30 by Chuck Nelson of Washington in 1981-82. He also holds the NCAA record for consecutive field goals made in a single season (25, 1982).

Most Consecutive Field Goals – Career

1.	David Ruffer (Pittsburgh '09 – Miami '10)	23
2.	Nick Tausch (Michigan '09 – Washington St. '09)	14
3.	Mike Johnston (Michigan '82 – Oregon '82)	13
4.	John Carney (Navy '84 – Michigan '85)	10
5.	Nicholas Setta (USC '00 – USC '01)	9
	Nicholas Setta (Washington State '03 – Purdue '03)	9
	D.J. Fitzpatrick (Navy '03 – BYU '04)	9

► Ruffer's 18 field goals in 2010 ranked as the third-most in single-season school history.

Field Goals - Season

1.	John Carney	21-28 (1986)
2.	Mike Johnson	19-22 (1982)
3.	David Ruffer	18-19 (2010)
	Harry Oliver	18-23 (1980)
	John Carney	18-22 (1985)
6.	Nick Tausch	14-17 (2009)
	Brandon Walker	14-24 (2008)
	Nicholas Setta	14-25 (2002)
9.	Mike Johnson	12-21 (1983)

► Ruffer is the second Irish kicker to ever register multiple field goals of 50 yards or longer in the same season (2010). Harry Oliver had a pair of 50+ yard kicks in 1980.

Extra Points (PAT) - Season

1.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	52-54 (2005)
2.	Carl Gioia	49-53 (2006)
3.	Craig Hentrich	48-48 (1991)
4.	Kevin Pendergast	45-48 (1993)
	Scott Hempel	45-50 (1968)
6.	Nicholas Setta	44-45 (2000)
	Craig Hentrich	44-46 (1992)
	Craig Hentrich	44-45 (1989)
9.	David Ruffer	43-43 (2011)
	Bob Thomas	43-45 (1973)

Consecutive Extra Points

1.	Craig Hentrich	136	(9-30-89 vs. Purdue to 9-26-92 vs. Purdue)
2.	Nicholas Setta	92	(10-7-00 vs. Stanford to 10-11-03 ended by injury)
3.	Bob Thomas	62	(11-6-71 vs. Pittsburgh to 10-23-73 vs. Army)
4.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	61	(11-6-04 at Tennessee to 11-26-05 at Stanford)
5.	Brandon Walker	60	(10-6-07 at UCLA to career ended in 2010)
6.	David Ruffer	59	(10-30-10 vs. Tulsa to Current)
7.	Mike Johnson	53	(10-18-80 vs. Army to 11-19-83 vs. Air Force)
8.	Ted Gradel	35	(11-8-86 vs. SMU to 11-28-87 vs. Miami (Fla.))

Extra Points Percentage - Season (min. 20 made)

1.	Craig Hentrich, 1991	48-48 (1.000)
	David Ruffer, 2011	43-43 (2011)
	Craig Hentrich, 1990	41-41 (1.000)
	Brandon Walker, 2008	39-39 (1.000)
	Bob Thomas, 1972	34-34 (1.000)
	Ted Gradel, 1987	33-33 (1.000)
	Nicholas Setta, 2002	32-32 (1.000)
	Stefan Schroffner, 1994	30-30 (1.000)
	John Carney, 1984	25-25 (1.000)
	Nicholas Setta, 2001	23-23 (1.000)

Points by Kicking - Season

1.	David Ruffer	18fg, 37xp, 91pts (2010)
2.	Craig Hentrich	16fg, 41xp, 89pts (1990)
3.	Kevin Pendergast	14fg, 45xp, 87pts (1993)
	John Carney	21fg, 24 xp, 87pts (1986)
5.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	11fg, 52xp, 85pts (2005)
6.	Brandon Walker	14fg, 39xp, 81pts (2008)
7.	John Carney	17fg, 25xp, 76pts (1984)
	Mike Johnston	19fg, 19xp, 76pts (1982)
9.	Nicholas Setta	14fg, 32xp, 74pts (2002)
	Craig Hentrich	10fg, 44xp, 74pts (1992)
--	David Ruffer	10fg, 43xp, 73pts (2011)

Points by Kicking - Career

1.	Craig Hentrich	39fg, 177xp, 294pts (1989-92)
2.	Dave Reeve	39fg, 130xp, 247pts (1974-77)
3.	Nicholas Setta	46fg, 104xp, 242pts (2000-03)
4.	John Carney	51fg, 70xp, 223pts (1984-86)
5.	D.J. Fitzpatrick	34fg, 103xp, 205pts (2002-05)
6.	Jim Sanson	28fg, 108xp, 192pts (1996-99)
7.	David Ruffer	33fg, 89xp, 188pts (2008-)
8.	Scott Hempel	14fg, 122xp, 164pts (1968-70)

BRINDZA OWNS QUITE THE LEG

► Freshman PK **Kyle Brindza** has averaged 65.3 yards per kickoff on 66 attempts over the first 11 games of 2011. He also has recorded 10 touchbacks, which is tied for the most by an Irish kicker since the stat was recorded in 1998. Senior PK **David Ruffer** had 10 over the course of the entire 2010 season.

► Brindza's 65.3 yards per kickoff average is the best since 1998 by a wide margin. The next best effort by an Irish kicker since '98 – David Ruffer's 64.3 yards per kickoff in 2010.

► Brindza averaged 70.0 yards per kickoff on his four attempts against USC on Oct. 22. He also added a pair of touchbacks.

AUSTIN COLLINSWORTH POWERS IRISH SPECIAL TEAMS

► Notre Dame sophomore S **Austin Collinsworth** leads the Irish in all three special team tackle categories, including total tackles (15), kickoff return tackles (13) and punt return tackles (tied, two).

	ST Tackles	KR Tackles	PR Tackles
1. Austin Collinsworth	15	13	2
2. Troy Niklas	10	10	0
3. Chris Salvi	8	8	0
4. Bennett Jackson	7	5	2
5. George Atkinson III	7	7	0
6. Danny Spond	6	6	0
Dan McCarthy	6	5	1
8. David Posluszny	4	4	0
9. Kendall Moore	3	3	0
10. Steve Filer	2	1	1
Lo Wood	2	1	1
Jamoris Slaughter	2	1	1
Josh Atkinson	2	2	0
Kyle Brindza	2	2	0
Cam McDaniel	2	1	1
Alex Welch	2	0	2

► Notre Dame senior LB **Steve Filer** led the Irish with 12 special teams tackles in 2010. He recorded 10 on kickoff return and two on punt return last year. Filer led the team in tackles in all three categories (kick return, punt return and total special teams). He had 11 special teams tackles in 2009, including 10 on kickoff and one on punt.
 ► Filer suffered a torn ACL in practice leading up to the Maryland game on Nov. 12 and will miss the rest of the season.

BY GEORGE, IT'S ATKINSON AGAIN

► Freshman RB **George Atkinson III** registered a 96-yard kickoff return for a touchdown late in the second quarter against USC on Oct. 22. The 96-yard return was the longest at Notre Dame Stadium since Julius Jones went 100 yards against Nebraska on Sept. 9, 2000. It also was the tied for the fifth-longest in Notre Dame Stadium history.
 ► The kickoff return for a touchdown was Atkinson's second of the season. He is the first Irish player to have multiple kickoff returns for touchdowns in the same season since Allen Rossum in 1997.
 ► The two touchdown kickoff returns in a single-season equals the Notre Dame school record. Atkinson III is the second Notre Dame freshman to ever return two kickoffs for touchdowns in the same season. Raghb "Rocket" Ismail had a pair in 1988.
 ► Atkinson III was the fourth FBS player in 2011 to register a pair of kickoff returns for touchdowns.
 ► Atkinson III returned a kickoff 89 yards for a touchdown to give Notre Dame a 14-3 lead with 1:20 remaining in the first quarter against Michigan State on Sept. 17.
 ► Atkinson III was the first Irish freshman to return a kickoff for a touchdown since **Raghb "Rocket" Ismail** had two kickoff returns for touchdown against Rice on Nov. 6, 1988. He was the first Notre Dame player to return a kickoff for a touchdown since **Armando Allen Jr.** raced 96 yards for a score against Hawai'i in the 2008 Hawai'i Bowl.
 ► Atkinson III — the fourth Notre Dame rookie to ever return a kickoff for a touchdown — joined the company of running back **Al Hunter** (1973 Sugar Bowl victory versus Alabama), running back **Allen Pinkett** (1982 loss to Penn State) and Ismail (two against Rice in 1988). Hunter became Notre Dame's first 1,000-yard rusher, Pinkett is No. 2 on the school's all-time rushing chart and Ismail won the Walter Camp Award as a junior. Not a bad club to join.
 ► Atkinson III recorded the first kickoff return for a touchdown by an Irish player at Notre Dame Stadium since **Julius Jones** against No. 1 Nebraska on Sept. 9, 2000 with his 89-yard kick return against Michigan State.

FBS Kick Return Touchdown Leaders

Player, School	Cl	KR	Yds	TDs	Avg.	Ret/Gm
1. Taveon Rogers, New Mexico State	Sr.	48	1251	3	26.06	4.80
2. Tyler Lockett, Kansas State	Fr.	16	563	2	35.19	1.78
Luther Ambrose, La.-Monroe	Sr.	25	787	2	31.48	2.27
De'Anthony Thomas, Oregon	Fr.	29	818	2	28.21	2.64
George Atkinson III, Notre Dame	Fr.	27	751	2	27.81	2.70
Jamal Miles, Arizona State	Jr.	24	649	2	27.04	2.18
Justin Gilbert, Oklahoma State	So.	21	565	2	26.90	1.91

WALK-ON PLAYERS JOIN THE IRISH SQUAD THIS SPRING

► Nine walk-on players have been added to the 2011 roster. Junior S **Blake Breslau** (San Diego, Calif./Francis Parker), freshman S **Connor Cavalaris** (Lake Forest, Ill./Lake Forest), freshman WR/RB **Eric Lee** (West Des Moines, Iowa/Dowling Catholic), sophomore WR **Ryan Liebscher** (Colorado Springs, Colo./Cheyenne Mountain HS), freshman LB **Connor Little** (Lake Elmo, Minn./Hill-Murray), sophomore TE **Arturo Martinez** (Miami, Fla./Belen Jesuit), sophomore RB **Tyler Plantz** (Frankfort, Ill./Providence Catholic), freshman ILB **Joe Schmidt** (Orange, Calif./Mater Dei) and senior WR **Ryan Sharpley** (Marshall, Mich./Marshall).

SIX FOOTBALL STUDENT-ATHLETES ENTER FIFTH YEAR

► Six seniors on the University of Notre Dame football team were approved to return for a fifth year by the school's Faculty Board on Athletics.
 ► OT **Taylor Dever**, CB **Gary Gray**, OL **Andrew Nuss**, TE **Mike Ragone**, PK **David Ruffer** and S **Harrison Smith** have all graduated. The sextet are currently enrolled in the graduate studies program at Notre Dame.

NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL—A FAMILY AFFAIR

► The **Golic** family is one of just several father-son combinations who have played for Notre Dame represented on the 2011 Irish roster. Mike Sr. earned four monograms at Notre Dame from 1981-84, while **Mike Jr.** is a senior C and **Jake** is a junior TE. In addition to their father, Mike and Jake's two uncles also played for the Irish. Bob was not only a four-year monogram winner from 1975-78, but he was a two-time All-American and helped the Irish to the 1977 National Title. Greg earned a pair of monograms in 1981 and 1983.
 ► Other current Notre Dame players whose fathers also played for the Irish include sophomore WR **TJ Jones** (Andre, 1987-90), freshman OT **Conor Hanratty** (Terry, 1966-68) and senior OLB **Jonathan Frantz** (Mike, 1970-72).
 ► The Irish feature a quartet of players who had elder siblings also suit up for Notre Dame. Junior WR **Nick Fitzpatrick** is the younger brother of former PK D.J. Fitzpatrick (2002-05). Senior RB **Patrick Coughlin** is the younger brother of former WR Brian Coughlin (2009). Senior WR **Ryan Sharpley** is the younger brother of former QB Evan Sharpley (2006-09). Senior S **Dan McCarthy** is the younger brother of former S Kyle McCarthy (2006-09).
 ► In addition to the Golic brothers, the Irish 2011 roster has two other sets of brothers — **Zack and Nick Martin** as well as **George III and Josh Atkinson**. Zack is a junior OT and Nick is a freshman OT. George III is a freshman RB and Josh is a freshman CB.

OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL POSTGAME SHOW

► The Official Notre Dame Football Postgame Show will again be broadcast live following every Notre Dame game on Newsradio 960 WSBT and Sunny 101.5 FM, and televised live on UND.com. The show is hosted by Jack Nolan and Irish All-Americans Reggie Brooks and Mirko Jurkovic. The televised version of the show on UND.com also features game highlights.

OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL TAILGATE SHOW

► The IMG College Notre Dame Football Radio Network will again originate the Notre Dame Football Tailgate show from outside Legends of Notre Dame south of the Football Stadium beginning one hour before the kickoff of each Notre Dame home game. The show features live guests and is hosted by Jack Nolan and Alan Pinkett.

OFFICIAL BRIAN KELLY RADIO SHOW

► The **Brian Kelly** Radio Show began Sept. 1 — and University of Notre Dame football fans can attend the show on the Notre Dame campus at Legends of Notre Dame, just south of Notre Dame Stadium. It will be telecast live on UND.com and broadcast live on Newsradio 960 WSBT in South Bend and WXNT-AM NewsTalk 1430 in Indianapolis. Sirius/XM College SportsNation will also broadcast the show twice each week on Friday night and again on Saturday morning. The show will air from 7:00-8:00 p.m. ET.
 ► Dates for the shows are Sept. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and 30; Oct. 6, 20 and 27; and Nov. 3, 10 and 17.
 ► Hosted by Jack Nolan, the Brian Kelly Radio Show is a production of Notre Dame Sports Properties.

INSIDE NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL WITH BRIAN KELLY (TELEVISION SHOW)

► Taped on Sunday afternoons, Inside Notre Dame Football will feature a recap of the week's contest, Notre Dame player features and more. The show can be seen locally Sunday evenings on WNDU-TV following the late local news. It will also re-air on WNDU-TV the following Saturday morning at 6:30 a.m. as well as 90 minutes prior to kickoff of Notre Dame home games. All shows can also be viewed on UND.com starting Monday of each week. Inside Notre Dame Football airs on a total of 25 affiliates nationwide reaching nearly 72 million households.

2011 Notre Dame Football Media Information

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BRIAN KELLY AVAILABILITY

Coach Kelly will be available for one teleconference, one conference call and then twice post practice during each week of the season. (Media looking for the teleconference and conference call numbers should contact Brian Hardin)

TUESDAY - Noon-12:45 p.m. ET

▶ Isban Auditorium at Guglielmino Athletics Complex

▶ This teleconference will function as a look ahead at the upcoming week-end's opponent and other football-related issues.

▶ Coordinates: Galaxy 19C; Transponder: 7 – Slot #1 (6 Mhz slot); Symbol Rate: 3.9787; Data Rate: 5.500; FEC: 3/4; Downlink: 3825.0000 – Vertical (Available from 11:45-12:45 p.m. ET)

PLAYER/ASSISTANT COACH POST-PRACTICE INTERVIEWS

Notre Dame assistant coach/player interviews are available on a rotating schedule during the week. **All requests must be submitted to Brian Hardin by 5:00 p.m. ET Sunday.** A list of available coaches/players for Tuesday and Wednesday will be distributed Monday evening with the weekly game notes. Assistant coaches will only be available following Tuesday's practice.

All interviews with Notre Dame assistant coaches/players will take place at approximately 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday of game week at the Isban Auditorium inside the Guglielmino Athletics Complex.

There is no availability for players or assistant coaches on Monday, Thursday and Friday of each game week.

WEEKLY INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

Sunday

Kelly Conference Call

2:00-2:15 p.m.

Interview Request

Deadline

5:00 p.m.

Monday

Nothing

Tuesday

Kelly Press Conference

Noon-12:45 p.m.

Asst. Coaches/Players

Post Practice

5:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Nothing

Thursday

Nothing

Friday

Nothing

All Times Eastern

subject to change

Notre Dame vs. Stanford Series History

Notre Dame leads 17-8

In Notre Dame: Notre Dame leads 10-3

In Stanford: Notre Dame leads 6-5

Neutral Site: Notre Dame leads 1-0

In Bowl Games: Notre Dame leads 1-0 (1924, Rose Bowl)

Longest Notre Dame Win Streak: 7 (2002-2008)

Longest Stanford Win Streak: 2 (2009-2010)

Largest Victory: 50 (57-7), 2003 in Stanford

Largest Defeat: 18 (15-33), 1997 in Stanford

Site	Year	Rank	W/L/T	ND	SU
RB	1924		W	27	10
*	1942		W	27	0
	1963		L	14	24
*	1964	2-	W	28	6
*	1988	5-	W	42	14
	1989	1-	W	27	17
*	1990	1-	L	31	36
	1991	8-	W	42	26
*	1992	7-19	L	16	33
	1993	4-	W	48	20
*	1994	8-	W	34	15
	1997	-19	L	15	33
*	1998	123-	W	35	17
	1999		L	37	40
*	2000	25-	W	20	14
	2001	-13	L	13	17
*	2002	9-	W	31	7
	2003		W	57	7
*	2004		W	23	15
	2005	6-	W	38	31
*	2006	12-	W	31	10
	2007		W	21	14
*	2008		W	28	21
	2009		L	38	45
*	2010	-16	L	14	37

RB – Rose Bowl

2011 Stanford Results (10-1 Overall, 8-1 Pac-12)

Sat., Sep. 3	vs. San Jose State	W, 57-3
Sat., Sep. 10	at Duke	W, 44-14
Sat., Sep. 17	at Arizona *	W, 37-10
Sat., Oct. 1	vs. UCLA *	W, 45-19
Sat., Oct. 8	vs. Colorado *	W, 48-7
Sat., Oct. 15	at Washington State *	W, 44-14
Sat., Oct. 22	vs. Washington *	W, 65-21
Sat., Oct. 29	at USC *	W, 56-48
Sat., Nov. 5	at Oregon State *	W, 38-13
Sat., Nov. 12	vs. Oregon *	L, 30-53
Sat., Nov. 19	vs. California *	W, 31-28
Sat., Nov. 26	vs. Notre Dame	5:00 PM PT

STANFORD HEAD COACH DAVID SHAW

David Shaw '95 became the 34th head coach in Stanford history on January 13, 2011.

Shaw is the fifth alum to hold the position of head football coach, joining Charles Fickert (1901), Carl Clemans (1902), Chuck Taylor (1951-57) and Paul Wiggin (1980-83).

A four-year letterwinner at Stanford from 1991-94 as a receiver, Shaw was a member of Stanford's 1991 Aloha Bowl team coached by Dennis Green that finished the season with an 8-4 mark and was the third-highest scoring team in school history. He was also on the Cardinal's 1992 Blockbuster Bowl-winning squad coached by Bill Walsh that had a 10-3 overall mark. Shaw finished his Stanford career with 57 catches for 664 yards and five touchdowns.

As the team's offensive coordinator for the past four seasons, Shaw played an instrumental role in the resurgence of the Stanford program which has established school scoring records each of the last two campaigns.

Stanford was the ninth-highest scoring team in the nation in 2010, averaging 40.31 points a game. The Cardinal scored a school-record 524 points, which surpassed the previous record of 461, established by the 2009 team. During Shaw's tenure as offensive coordinator, the Cardinal scored 40 or more points in 11 games since the 2007 season, including 10 times over the past two campaigns.

Stanford's balanced offensive attack amassed a school-record 6,142 yards during the 2010 season, averaging 213.8 on the ground and 258.7 yards through the air. The Cardinal finished second in the Pac-10 and 17th nationally in rushing average and amassed the second-highest rushing total (2,779 yards) in school history.

Prior to his appointment as offensive coordinator at Stanford, Shaw served as the wide receivers and passing game coordinator at the University of San Diego under during the 2006 season, where he helped guide the nation's top Division I-AA offense that paced the Toreros to the Pioneer League championship and NCAA Division I-AA Mid-Major national title.

Shaw's coaching resume also includes nine years of NFL experience with the Philadelphia Eagles (1997), Oakland Raiders (1998-2001) and Baltimore Ravens (2002-05).

Shaw's most recent coaching job in the NFL with Baltimore included a stint as the quarterbacks and wide receivers coach from 2002-04 before working solely with the wide receivers in 2005. His tenure included a 2003 campaign that reaped an AFC North title and a 10-6 regular season record. Derrick Mason set a new franchise record with 86 receptions under Shaw's tutelage in 2005 when he also posted the third-biggest season to date in terms of receiving yards with 1,073. Mark Clayton set a franchise rookie record for receptions in 2005 when he caught 44 balls for 471 yards.

After three seasons of quality control with the Oakland Raiders from 1998-2000, Shaw moved into the role of quarterbacks coach in 2001 as the Raiders won a second straight AFC West title and finished the regular season with a 10-6 mark. Quarterback Rich Gannon made the NFL Pro Bowl for the second straight season and ended up as the game's MVP. Gannon had the third-most prolific campaign of his 16-year pro career during the 2001 regular season, throwing for 3,828 yards on 361-of-549 passing (65.8%).

Shaw began his NFL coaching career as the quality control with the Philadelphia Eagles in 1997.

He launched his coaching career at Western Washington, where he coached the outside linebackers in 1995 and tight ends in 1996.

David's father, Willie, had two separate coaching stints at Stanford (1974-76; 1989-91) during his 33-year coaching career, which also included time with the Detroit Lions, Kansas City Chiefs, Minnesota Vikings, New Orleans Saints, Oakland Raiders, San Diego Chargers and St. Louis Rams.

Born in San Diego, Calif., David and his wife Kori are the parents of three children, Keegan, Carter and Gavin.

A QUICK LOOK AT THE CARDINAL LAST WEEK

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Andrew Luck slogged through a soggy field, all smiles, hands raised, taking a little extra time watching his Stanford teammates sprint to lift The Axe in triumph.

One last Big Game moment to savor.

Luck threw for 257 yards and two touchdowns and Stanford survived a shaky start to beat rival California 31-28 in a rain-soaked Big Game with a rare late start under the lights.

Luck revived his Heisman Trophy campaign by tossing scores to Levine Toilolo and Ryan Hewitt, keeping the Cardinal's slim chances of a Pac-12 title and national championship alive. He overcame an early interception and rallied Stanford from six points down to keep The Axe on The Farm for the second straight season.

Zach Maynard finished with 280 yards passing with two touchdowns for the Golden Bears in the 114th edition of the Bay Area rivalry. Cal's offense struggled in the second half before a late comeback came up short.

With steady rain falling, Luck connected with Toilolo for a 4-yard touchdown on the opening drive of the third quarter to extend the Cardinal's lead to 21-13. Stanford stifled Cal's offense again and quickly put the ball back in the hands of its star quarterback.

Luck wasted little time.

He found Toilolo for a 41-yard gain and finished off the drive with a 10-yard TD pass to fullback Hewitt to put Stanford in front 28-13.

The Cardinal wasted an opportunity to put the game away earlier when Isi Sofele fumbled. Stanford took over and punted quickly, and Cal pushed ahead with the momentum.

Maynard led a 68-yard drive ending with a short TD pass to Spencer Hagan on third down. After a 2-point conversion on a pass to Marvin Jones, Cal cut Stanford's lead to 28-21 with 10:53 left.

All that time quickly vanished.

Stanford grinded out 7:40 with a 14-play, 57-yard drive with a series of short runs and passes on slick, soggy field that had defenders sliding in every direction. Even running backs, too.

Jordan Williamson, who missed a 33-yard field goal wide left in the first half and hadn't played in the last three games because of an undisclosed injury, kicked a 35-yard field to give the Cardinal a two-score cushion.

That proved pivotal when C.J. Anderson ran for a 1-yard TD run for the Bears with 14 seconds left. But tight end Coby Fleener easily recovered the onside kick to seal Stanford's victory.

The Bears could at least take some satisfaction in closing the disparity between the two teams.

The distance was quite evident a year ago in Berkeley, when Luck and the Cardinal beat the Bears 48-14 in the most lopsided Big Game in 80 years. Cal left Stanford with a 34-28 victory in 2009.

This time, both teams had sloppy starts.

Stanford recovered Maynard's wayward pitch back on the game's opening drive and took over at its own 37. Three plays later, freshman Ty Montgomery took a reverse and sprinted 34 yards down the sideline to put the Cardinal ahead 7-0.

The poise and polish Luck has showed so often in his college career again took time to emerge.

Steve Williams stepped in front of a falling Montgomery to intercept Luck's pass and return it 49 yards for a score that was called back because of an illegal block in the back. No matter.

Maynard found half-brother Keenan Allen for a 17-yard TD pass and Giogio Tavecchio kicked his second field goal from 19 yards to give Cal a 13-7 lead in the second quarter.

Stanford powered its way through the rain with a bunched-up running game -- and not Luck -- to regain its rhythm, ending a 10-play, 78-yard drive with Tyler Gaffney's short TD run to go ahead 14-13 at the half.

Cal never came that close again.

NOTRE DAME VS. PAC-12

► Notre Dame is 87-48-6 (.638) all-time against teams from the Pac-12 Conference. Stanford represents the second of two Pac-12 opponents for the Irish this season. USC topped Notre Dame, 31-17, on Oct. 22.

- ▶ The 141 games against Pac-12 teams are the second-most for the Irish against any conference. The Big Ten Conference (370) represents the most games played against Notre Dame and the ACC ranks third (114).
- ▶ Notre Dame has a winning series record against 11 of the Pac-12 teams. Most of those games (83) have come versus USC (43-35-5), while 25 other matchups have come against Stanford (17-8).
- ▶ Notre Dame has also played California (4-0), Washington (8-0), UCLA (4-0), Colorado (3-2), Arizona State (2-0), Oregon (1-0-1), Washington State (2-0), Arizona (2-1), Utah (1-0) and Oregon State (0-2).
- ▶ Notre Dame has posted a 34-26-5 (.562) record against Pac-12 away from home.

PAC-12 CONFERENCE

	Home				Away				Neutral			
	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000
Arizona State	1	0	0	1.000	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000
California	2	0	0	1.000	2	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000
Colorado	1	0	0	1.000	1	0	0	1.000	1	2	0	.333
Oregon	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0	0	.000
Oregon State	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000	0	2	0	.000
Stanford	10	3	0	.769	6	5	0	.545	1	0	0	1.000
UCLA	3	0	0	1.000	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000
USC	23	14	1	.618	18	21	4	.465	2	0	0	1.000
Utah	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	.000
Washington	4	0	0	1.000	4	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000
Washington State	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	.000	1	0	0	1.000
Totals	48	18	1	.724	34	26	5	.562	5	4	0	.556

NOTRE DAME - STANFORD SERIES NOTES

- ▶ Saturday's game marks the 26th meeting between Notre Dame and Stanford. The Irish lead the series 17-8, including a 6-5 advantage in Stanford Stadium.
- ▶ The two teams have met every year since 1988, with the exception of the 1995 and 1996 seasons.
- ▶ After a five-game stretch from 1989-93 in which the visiting team won every game, the home team won each of the next seven games (1994-2002) before the Irish put a stop to that trend with a 57-7 victory at Stanford Stadium in 2003. In fact, Notre Dame won three straight games in the series on the road before stumbling in 2009.
- ▶ The Cardinal carry a two-game winning streak in the series into this weekend's meeting. Stanford had never beaten the Irish in back-to-back meetings in series history prior to the last two matchups.
- ▶ The Irish defense has played a pivotal role in the series, holding the Cardinal to an average of 20.36 points per game, including 10 games where Stanford scored 14 points or less. Meanwhile, Notre Dame has averaged 29.48 points per game and has topped the 30-point mark 12 times in the series.
- ▶ Notre Dame won seven consecutive meetings with Stanford from 2002-08, which was the longest winning streak for either school in the all-time series.

NOTRE DAME - STANFORD SERIES HISTORY

- ▶ Notre Dame leads the all-time series versus Stanford (17-8), including a 6-5 edge when the scene shifts to Stanford Stadium.
- ▶ The series began on Jan. 1, 1925 (the end of the 1924 season) when Notre Dame's famed Four Horsemen and head coach Knute Rockne travelled across the country to meet Stanford's Pop Warner and Ernie Nevers. Notre Dame's 27-10 victory earned the Irish their first-ever national championship and the first of four national crowns to come via bowl wins.

Head-to-Head Statistical Comparison

NOTRE DAME				STANFORD		
#	NCAA	Category		Category	NCAA	#
32.00	37th	Scoring Offense	vs.	Scoring Defense	29th	20.91
434.55	33rd	Total Offense	vs.	Total Defense	24th	333.09
175.91	41st	Rushing Offense	vs.	Rushing Defense	5th	93.00
258.64	35th	Passing Offense	vs.	Passing Defense	77th	240.09
135.55	53rd	Passing Efficiency Off.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Def.	68th	131.92
20.27	22nd	Scoring Defense	vs.	Scoring Offense	4th	45.00
341.45	28th	Total Defense	vs.	Total Offense	10th	485.64
142.64	54th	Rushing Defense	vs.	Rushing Offense	22nd	209.00
198.82	31st	Passing Defense	vs.	Passing Offense	24th	276.64
123.87	48th	Passing Efficiency Def.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Off.	5th	167.64
34.24	101st	Net Punting	vs.	Net Punting	89th	35.31
0.30	120th	Punt Returns	vs.	Punt Returns	23rd	11.38
23.87	25th	Kickoff Returns	vs.	Kickoff Returns	46th	22.44
-1.09	116th	Turnover Margin	vs.	Turnover Margin	27th	0.45
1.82	64th	Sacks	vs.	Sacks Allowed	9th	0.82
0.73	7th	Sacks Allowed	vs.	Sacks	t-8th	3.00

Top Notre Dame Performances Against Stanford

INDIVIDUAL

Rushing Yards

Julius Jones, 23-218, 1 TD; 11.29.03

Passing Yards

Brady Quinn, 25-38-432, 3 TD; 11.26.05

Receptions

Golden Tate, 10-201, 3 TD; 11.28.09

Receiving Yards

Golden Tate, 10-201, 3 TD; 11.28.09

Points Kicking

Craig Hentrich, 9 (3 XP, 2 FG); 10.7.89

Kickoff Return Yards

Clint Johnson, 2-179; 10.2.93

Punt Return Yards

Tom Zbikowski, 4-64; 11.24.07

Touchdowns

Jimmy Clausen, 5 (passing); 11.28.09

Golden Tate, 3 (receiving); 11.28.09

Jarious Jackson, 3 (rushing); 10.3.98

Ryan Grant, 3 (rushing); 11.29.03

Jerome Bettis, 3 (rushing); 10.5.91

Interceptions

Pat Terrell, 2-42; 10.7.89

TEAM

Points Scored

57 (W 57-7); 2003 in Stanford

Points Scored (quarter)

23 (W 57-7); 2003 (third) in Stanford

Points Scored (half)

34 (W 57-7); 2003 (first) in Stanford

Points Allowed

45 (L38-45); 2009 in Stanford

Points Allowed (quarter)

18 (L 38-45); 2009 (fourth) in Stanford

18 (L 14-37); 2010 (fourth) in Notre Dame

Points Allowed (half)

26 (L 16-33); 1992 (second) in Notre Dame

2011 NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL NOTES

- ▶ The series then included one game in the 1940s and two in the 1960s. This year's game will represent the 22nd meeting between the schools in the last 24 years (no games in 1995 or 1996).
- ▶ The winner of the Notre Dame-Stanford series receives the Legends Trophy, a combination of Irish crystal and California redwood. The trophy was presented for the first time in 1989 by the Notre Dame Club of the San Francisco Bay Area. Notre Dame has won 13 of 20 games since the Legends Trophy was first introduced.

NOTRE DAME AND THE GOLDEN STATE

- ▶ Notre Dame owns a 70-43-5 (.614) all-time record against schools from the Golden State, last playing a California school (USC) on Oct. 22, 2011 (a 31-17 defeat). Irish series records vs. teams from California include a 4-0 mark vs. Cal, 1-0 vs. Pacific, 1-0 vs. San Diego State, 17-8 vs. Stanford, 4-0 vs. UCLA and 43-35-5 vs. USC.
- ▶ Notre Dame's all-time varsity football roster includes nearly 2,800 players who have appeared in at least one career game, with 131 of those hailing from the state of California.
- ▶ Notre Dame's all-time California natives include 33 offensive linemen, 23 quarterbacks, 17 defensive ends, 10 linebackers, nine fullbacks, nine running backs, eight wide receivers, seven defensive backs, six tight ends, four kickers, two safeties, two defensive tackles and one center.
- ▶ Those players include 11 from Los Angeles, five from Santa Ana, four from Long Beach, four from San Francisco, four from Concord, three from San Diego, three from San Jose, three from Santa Barbara, three from Pasadena, three from Hollywood, two from Santa Rosa, two from Oakland, two from Santa Maria, two from Huntington Beach, two from Carson, two from Downey, two from Arcadia, two from Anaheim, two from Sacramento, two from Hacienda Heights, two from Oxnard and one each from 66 other cities.
- ▶ The 2011 Notre Dame roster includes 12 California natives, with the nine scholarship members of that group dispersed fairly evenly among each class: three seniors, one junior, two sophomores and three freshmen ... that group is headlined by senior QB **Dayne Crist** (Canoga Park/Notre Dame H.S.), senior OT **Taylor Dever** (Grass Valley/Nevada Union H.S.) and junior RB **Cierre Wood** (Oxnard/Santa Clara H.S.) ... other veteran Irish players who hail from California include senior LB **Anthony McDonald** (Burbank/Notre Dame H.S.) and senior QB **Matthew Mulvey** (Del Mar/LaJolla H.S.) ... Notre Dame has a pair of sophomores from California in RB **Cameron Roberson** (Newbury Park/Newbury Park H.S.) and LB **Justin Utupo** (Lakewood/Lakewood H.S.) ... the Irish brought in a trio of freshmen from California, including **George Atkinson III** (Stockton/Granada H.S.), **Josh Atkinson** (Stockton/Granada H.S.) and **Troy Niklas** (Fullerton/Sevite H.S.).
- ▶ Six of Notre Dame's more noteworthy all-time players from California include 1964 Heisman Trophy winner and quarterback John Huarte (Santa Ana) plus five other consensus All-Americans: Nick Eddy (Lafayette, 1964-66), offensive back George Kuntz (Arcadia, 1966-68), split end Jack Snow (Long Beach, 1962-64), offensive tackle Aaron Taylor (Concord, 1992-94) and defensive back Shane Walton (San Diego, 1999-2002).
- ▶ Other All-Americans from the state of California include defensive tackle Kevin Hardy (Oakland, 1967) and offensive tackle Mike Shiner (Sunnyvale, 1983).

NOTRE DAME - STANFORD CONNECTIONS

- ▶ Stanford special teams coach Brian Polian spent five years at Notre Dame (2005-09). Polian coached special teams, inside linebackers and also assisted with defensive backs and linebackers.
- ▶ Stanford defensive line coach Randy Hart spent the 2009 season at Notre Dame in a similar capacity.
- ▶ Eleventh-year Irish men's soccer coach Bobby Clark, the 2001 and 2003 BIG EAST Coach of the Year, was the head coach at Stanford for five seasons (1996-2000) before taking over the Notre Dame program in 2001. At Stanford, Clark took the Cardinal to the NCAA championship game in 1998, while making four NCAA appearances.
- ▶ Notre Dame's roster features 12 players from the state of California. Stanford's roster has two players from Indiana – sophomore OLB Blake Lueders (Zionsville, Ind.) and freshman RB Remound Wright (Fort Wayne, Ind.).
- ▶ A number of players from Stanford and Notre Dame either attended the same high school or hail from the same hometown.

Notre Dame	High School/Hometown	Stanford
Prince Shembo, OLB	Charlotte, N.C.	Ben Rhyne, P
Matthias Farley, WR		
Gary Gray, CB	Columbia, S.C.	David Olson, QB
Tyler Eifert, TE	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Remound Wright, RB
John Goodman, WR		
Tony Springmann, DE		
Justin Utupo, ILB	Lakewood, Calif./Lakewood H.S.	Joe Hemschoot, ILB
Arturo Martinez, TE	Miami, Fla.	Juan Castellanos, K
Anthony Rabasa, ILB		
Blake Breslau, S	San Diego, Calif.	Tyler Gaffney, RB Tyler Mabry, OT Evan Crower, QB Eric Whitaker, K Andrew Fowler, LS
George Atkinson III, RB	Stockton, Calif./Granada	Michael Spanos, RB
Josh Atkinson, CB		
Jamoris Slaughter	Stone Mountain, Ga./Tucker	James Vaughters, LB

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Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Stanford	10	6	3	18	37	Record: (4-0)
Notre Dame	3	3	0	8	14	Record: (1-3)

First Quarter	SU	ND
8:11 ND Ruffer 22 yd field goal, 6-16 2:39	FIRST DOWNS	25 19
3:37 SU Fleener 16 yd pass from Luck (Whitaker kick), 10-79 4:34	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	44-166 23-44
2:08 SU Whitaker 24 yd field goal, 4-9 1:22	PASSING YDS (NET)	238 307
	Passes Att-Comp-Int	32-19-2 45-26-1
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	76-404 68-351
	Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	2-4 0-0
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-62 6-111
	Interception Returns-Yards	1-20 2-27
	Punts (Number-Avg)	1-37.0 5-32.0
	Fumbles-Lost	1-1 1-1
	Penalties-Yards	5-30 6-62
	Possession Time	36:25 23:35
	Third-Down Conversions	11 of 16 4 of 13
	Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0 0 of 1
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	7-7 2-3
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-16 0-0

Second Quarter
13:22 ND Ruffer 40 yd field goal, 12-61 3:46
4:54 SU Whitaker 41 yd field goal, 16-58 8:28
0:04 SU Whitaker 36 yd field goal, 4-32 0:30

Third Quarter
10:44 SU Whitaker 33 yd field goal, 10-49 4:16

Fourth Quarter
7:58 SU Marecic 1 yd run (Ertz pass from Luck), 11-49 5:37
7:45 SU Marecic 20 yd interception return (Whitaker kick)
6:01 ND Riddick 3 yd pass from Crist (Allen rush), 6-80 1:44
1:47 SU Whitaker 29 yd field goal, 7-21 4:14

RUSHING: Stanford-Taylor 28-108; Luck 4-23; Amanam 6-17; Gaffney 2-15; Marecic 3-3; Wilkerson 1-0. Notre Dame-Allen 15-49; Gray, J. 4-12; Crist 4-minus 17.

PASSING: Stanford-Luck 19-32-2-238. Notre Dame-Crist 25-44-1-304; Allen 1-1-0-3.

RECEIVING: Stanford-Fleener 4-57; Reuland 3-48; Whalen 3-37; Taylor 2-31; Baldwin 2-28; Owusu 2-23; Ertz 1-5; Amanam 1-5; Marecic 1-4. Notre Dame-Floyd 8-110; Riddick 7-71; Goodman 5-59; Hughes 2-43; Allen 2-2; Jones 1-21; Rudolph 1-1.

INTERCEPTIONS: Stanford-Marecic 1-20. Notre Dame-Slaughter 1-26; Walls 1-1.

FUMBLES: Stanford-Baldwin 1-1. Notre Dame-Crist 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Stanford-Skov 2-0; Keiser 1-0. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Stanford-Howell 7-5; Skov 2-6; Thomas 3-4; Bademosi 5-0; Skaufel 3-2; Marecic 1-4; Keiser 3-1; Bergen 2-2; Debnjak 2-1; Yancy 1-2; Masifilo 1-2; Sherman 1-2; Fua 0-3; Amajoyi 0-2; Team 1-0; Stephens 1-0; Wilkerson 1-0; Owusu 1-0; Lueders 1-0; Bernard 0-1; Brown 0-1. Notre Dame-Te'o 8-13; Smith, H. 7-4; Slaughter 3-4; Lewis-Moose 2-4; Neal 0-5; Motta 3-1; Gray, G. 2-2; Blanton 2-2; Calabrese 1-3; Fleming 1-3; Walls 2-1; McDonald 1-2; Smith, B. 2-0; Filer 2-0; Cwynar 1-1; Williams, L. 1-1; Collinsworth 1-0; Johnson 1-0.

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Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Notre Dame	14	10	7	7	38	Record: (6-6)
Stanford	10	10	7	18	45	Record: (8-4)

First Quarter	ND	SU
11:34 STAN Gerhart 4 yd run (Whitaker kick), 3-13 1:30	FIRST DOWNS	21 25
8:56 ND Tate 5 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 4-16 1:18	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	25-107 48-280
5:59 STAN Whitaker 40 yd field goal, 7-38 2:52	PASSING YDS (NET)	340 216
0:40 ND Floyd 18 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 10-78 5:12	Passes Att-Comp-Int	30-23-0 21-15-0
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	55-447 69-496
	Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	1-3 2-6
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	7-124 5-117
	Interception Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punts (Number-Avg)	3-43.0 2-32.0
	Fumbles-Lost	3-1 1-1
	Penalties-Yards	3-13 7-90
	Possession Time	24:44 35:16
	Third-Down Conversions	4 of 10 7 of 13
	Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1 1 of 1
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2 6-6
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6 2-16

Second Quarter
12:39 STAN Whitaker 47 yd field goal, 8-30 3:01
7:25 ND Ruffer 42 yd field goal, 11-53 5:08
4:23 ND Tate 78 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 3-88 0:48
0:11 STAN Marecic 1 yd run (Whitaker kick), 9-61 4:07

Third Quarter
12:56 ND Floyd 46 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 4-76 1:58
8:12 STAN Gerhart 10 yd run (Whitaker kick), 9-81 4:42

Fourth Quarter
14:57 STAN Whitaker 29 yd field goal, 12-76 6:01
12:56 ND Tate 28 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 4-80 2:01
8:59 STAN Whalen 18 yd pass from Gerhart (Dray pass from Luck), 7-67 3:50
0:59 STAN Gerhart 4 yd run (Whitaker kick), 10-72 4:49

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Hughes 13-74; Riddick 6-35; Tate 1-15; Team 2-minus 2; Clausen 3-minus 15. Stanford-Gerhart 29-205; Taylor 12-35; Luck 3-35; Owusu 1-10; Marecic 2-1; Pritchard 1-minus 6.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Clausen 23-30-4-340. Stanford-Luck 14-20-0-198; Gerhart 1-1-0-18; Pritchard 0-0-0-0.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Tate 10-201; Floyd 6-85; Hughes 4-50; Ducan 1-5; Burger 1-1; Riddick 1-minus 2. Stanford-Whalen 6-75; Fleener 4-56; Owusu 2-29; Dray 2-23; Gerhart 1-33.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-None. Stanford-None.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Team 1-0; Clausen 1-0; Riddick 1-1. Stanford-Gaffney 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Brown 1-0. Stanford-Keiser 1-0; Thomas 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-McCarthy, K. 8-3; Brown 7-3; Te'o 5-5; Smith, B. 5-3; Walls 4-1; Gray, G. 3-3; Smith, H. 2-1; Johnson 2-1; Blanton 1-2; Williams, L. 1-2; Fleming 1-0; Neal 2-0; Slaughter 2-0; Ryan 2-0; Lewis-Moore 0-2; Filer 1-0; McNeil 1-0; McDonald 1-0; Ruffer 1-0. Stanford-Sherman 5-2; Howell 2-5; Bademosi 6-0; Skov 2-4; Macaulso 1-4; Keiser 2-2; Thomas 3-0; Bernard 2-1; Thomas 2-1; Powers 1-2; McNally 1-2; Fua 0-3; Catron 1-1; Amajoyi 0-1; Skaufel 0-1; Udofia 0-1; Gaffney 0-1.

The Last Time

NOTRE DAME

Rushing

Had 400 or more yards: at Boston College, 1996 (426)
 Had 300 or more yards: at Stanford, 2003 (320)
 Had 70 or more rushing attempts: vs. Michigan State, 1991 (76)
 Had 60 or more rushing attempts: vs. Navy, 2007 (63)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts: vs. Navy, 2008 (51)
 Had eight or more rush TDs: vs. Pittsburgh, 1965 (9)
 Had seven rush TDs: vs. Navy, 2011 (7)
 Had six rush TDs: vs. Navy, 1996 (6)
 Had five rush TDs: at USC, 2000 (5)
 Had four rush TDs: vs. Air Force, 2011 (4)
 Had two players with 100 rush yards in a game: vs. Stanford, 2002
 (Rashon Powers-Neal 108, Ryan Grant 103)

Passing

Had 500 or more yards: at USC, 1970 (526)
 Had 400-499 yards: vs. Navy, 2009 (452)
 Had 300-399 yards: at Michigan, 2011 (315)
 Had 50 or more pass attempts: vs. Tulsa, 2010 (56)
 Had 40 or more pass attempts: vs. USC, 2011 (43)
 Had 30-39 pass attempts: vs. Boston College, 2011 (39)
 Had 35-39 pass completions: vs. Navy, 2009 (37)
 Had 30-34 pass completions: vs. Maryland, 2011 (30)
 Had 25-29 pass completions: vs. USC, 2011 (27)
 Had six or more passing TDs: vs. BYU, 2005 (6)
 Had five or more passing TDs: at Stanford, 2009 (5)
 Had four or more passing TDs: vs. Air Force, 2011 (4)
 Had three or more passing TDs: at Purdue, 2011 (3)
 Had five or more passes intercepted: vs. USC, 1967 (7)
 Had four or more passes intercepted: at Boston College, 2008 (4)
 Had three or more passes intercepted: vs. USF, 2011 (3)

Receiving

Had two players with 100 receiving yards in a game:
 at Pittsburgh, 2009 (Golden Tate - 113, Michael Floyd - 107)
 Had a player with over 150 receiving yards in a game:
 at Michigan, 2011 (Michael Floyd - 159)
 Had two players with 10 catches in a game:
 vs. BYU, 2005 (Maurice Stovall - 14, Jeff Samardzija - 10)

Combination Offense

Had a 200-yard passer and 100-yard rusher in a game:
 vs. Maryland, 2011 (Tommy Rees - 296, Jonas Gray - 136)
 Had a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game:
 at Purdue, 2011 (Michael Floyd - 137 receiving; Cierre Wood - 191 rushing)

Total Offense

Had 600 or more yards total offense: at Stanford, 2005 (663)
 Had 500-599 yards total offense: vs. Maryland, 2011 (508)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense: vs. Boston College, 2011 (417)
 Had 85 or more plays total offense: vs. Navy, 2007 (90)
 Had 75-84 plays total offense: vs. Boston College, 2011 (78)

Scoring

Scored 60 or more points: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (62)
 Scored 50-59 points: vs. Navy, 2011 (56)
 Scored 40-49 points: vs. Maryland, 2011 (45)
 Scored 30-39 points: at Purdue, 2011 (38)
 Scored a two-point conversion: at Pittsburgh, 2011
 Allowed 60 or more points: Never
 Allowed 50-59 points: at Miami (Fla.), 1985 (58)
 Allowed 40-49 points: at Stanford, 2009 (45)
 Allowed 30-39 points: vs. USC, 2011 (31)

Was held scoreless: at Boston College, 2008 (17-0)
 Was held scoreless at home: USC, 2007 (38-0)
 Was held scoreless on the road: at Boston College, 2008 (17-0)
 Was held without offensive touchdown: at USC, 2008 (38-3)
 Held opponent scoreless: vs. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)
 Held opponent scoreless at home: vs. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)
 Held opponent scoreless on the road: at Purdue, 1993 (17-0)
 Held opponent without offensive touchdown: vs. Army, 2010 (27-3)
 Held opponent scoreless at neutral site:
 vs. Maryland (Giants Stadium - East Rutherford, NJ), 2002 (22-0)
 Held two or more opponents scoreless in a season:
 2002 vs. Maryland (22-0) vs. Rutgers (42-0)
 Held three or more opponents scoreless in a season:
 1976 vs. Purdue (23-0) at Northwestern (49-0), vs. Oregon (41-0)
 Held four or more opponents scoreless in a season:
 1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
 vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Held five or more opponents scoreless in a season:
 1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
 vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Held six or more opponents scoreless in a season:
 1966 vs. Army (35-0) vs. North Carolina (32-0), at Oklahoma (38-0),
 vs. Pittsburgh (40-0) vs. Duke (64-0), at USC (51-0)
 Had multiple players with multiple TDs in a game:
 vs. Navy, 2011 (Jonas Gray - 3, Cierre Wood - 2)

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover: vs. Maryland, 2011
 Committed six or more turnovers: vs. Navy, 1984 (6)
 Committed five turnovers: at Michigan, 2011 (5)
 Lost four or more fumbles: vs. Michigan State, 1999 (4)
 Lost three fumbles: at Michigan, 2011 (3)
 Recorded six or more takeaways: vs. Michigan, 2008 (6)
 Recorded five takeaways: vs. Boston College, 2009 (5)
 Returned two or more interceptions for TDs: vs. Stanford, 2002 (2)
 (Shane Walton - 18 yards, Courtney Watson - 34 yards)
 Returned an interception for a TD: vs. Maryland, 2011 (1)
 (Lo Wood - 57 yards)
 Returned a fumble for a TD: vs. Michigan, 2008 (1)
 (Brian Smith - 35 yards)

Defense

Held opponent 50 or fewer rushing yards: vs. Michigan State, 2011 (29)
 Held opponent to 100 or fewer passing yards: vs. Navy, 2011 (33)
 Held opponent to 201-300 yards total offense: vs. Boston College, 2011 (250)
 Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense: vs. Army, 2010 (174)
 Intercepted five or more passes: vs. Purdue, 1988 (5)
 Intercepted four passes: vs. Miami, Fla., 2010 (4)
 Intercepted three passes: at Michigan, 2011 (3)
 Scored a safety: at Stanford, 2003
 Recorded nine or more sacks: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (9)
 Recorded eight sacks: vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (8)
 Recorded seven sacks: at Stanford, 2005 (7)
 Recorded six sacks: at Pittsburgh, 2011 (6)
 Recorded five sacks: vs. Tulsa, 2010 (5)
 Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs: vs. Army, 2010 (8)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD: at Pittsburgh, 2009 (Golden Tate, 87 yards)
 Returned a blocked punt for a TD: vs. Utah, 2010 (Robert Blanton, 6 yards)
 Returned a kickoff for a TD: vs. USC, 2011 (George Atkinson III, 96 yards)
 Returned a blocked FG for a TD at Air Force, 2006 (Terrail Lambert, 76 yards)
 Blocked a punt: vs. Utah, 2010 (Robert Blanton)
 Punted 10 or more times: USC, 2007 (10)

The Last Time

Did not punt: vs. Navy, 2009
 Blocked a field goal: vs. Boston College, 2007
 Had a field goal blocked: at Purdue, 2011
 Blocked a PAT kick: vs. Air Force, 2011
 Scored on a blocked PAT attempt: vs. Texas, 1995
 Missed a kicking PAT: at USC, 2010
 Had a kicking PAT blocked: vs. Tulsa, 2010
 Opponent scored on a blocked PAT attempt: vs. Tulsa, 2010
 Had a punt blocked: at Boston College, 2008

Miscellaneous

Had 30 or more first downs: va. Maryland, 2011 (30)
 Had 20-29 first downs: vs. Boston College, 2011 (21)
 Was not penalized: at LSU, 1997
 Had 10 or more penalties: vs. Michigan State, 2009 (11)
 Had 120 or more yards in penalties: at Rutgers, 2000 (120)
 Had 40 minutes or more of possession time: vs. Washington State, 2009 (40:54)
 Had 35-40 minutes of possession time: at Michigan, 2011 (37:01)
 Was involved in a tie game: at USC, 1994 (17-17)
 Was involved in an overtime game: at Michigan State, 2010 (31-34)

A NOTRE DAME PLAYER

Rushing

Rushed for 300 or more yards: Never
 Rushed for 250-299 yards: Julius Jones at Pittsburgh, 2003 (262)
 Rushed for 200-249 yards: Julius Jones at Stanford, 2003 (218)
 Rushed for 175-199 yards: Cierre Wood at Purdue, 2011 (191)
 Rushed for 150-174 yards: Darius Walker vs. Army, 2006 (162)
 Rushed for 125-149 yards: Jonas Gray vs. Maryland, 2011 (136)
 Rushed for 100-124 yards: Andrew Hendrix vs. Air Force, 2001 (111)
 Quarterback rushed for 100 or more yards: Andrew Hendrix vs. Air Force, 2001 (111)
 Rushed 40 or more times: Allen Pinkett at LSU, 1984 (40)
 Rushed 35-39 times: Julius Jones vs. BYU, 2003 (35)
 Rushed 30-34 times: James Aldridge vs. Navy, 2007 (32)
 Rushed 25-29 times: Cierre Wood vs. Boston College, 2011 (26)
 Rushed for four or more TDs: Emmett Mosley vs. Navy, 1994 (4)
 Rushed for three TDs: Jonas Gray vs. Navy, 2011 (3)
 Rushed for two TDs: Jonas Gray vs. Maryland, 2011 (2)
 Had a run of 80 yards or more: Terrance Howard at West Virginia, 2000 (80)
 Had a run of 70-79 yards: Andrew Hendrix vs. Air Force, 2011 (78)
 Had a run of 60-69 yards: Brady Quinn at USC, 2006 (60)
 Had a run of 50-59 yards: Cierre Wood at Purdue, 2011 (55)

Passing

Passed for 500 or more yards: Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (526)
 Passed for 400-499 yards: Jimmy Clausen vs. Navy, 2009 (452)
 Passed for 300-399 yards: Tommy Rees at Michigan, 2011 (315)
 Attempted 50 or more passes: Tommy Rees vs. Tulsa, 2010 (54)
 Attempted 40-49 passes: Tommy Rees at Purdue, 2011 (40)
 Attempted 30-39 passes: Tommy Rees vs. Boston College, 2011 (39)
 Completed 30 or more passes: Tommy Rees vs. Maryland, 2011 (30)
 Completed 20-29 passes: Tommy Rees vs. Boston College, 2011 (24)
 Threw six TDs: Brady Quinn vs. BYU, 2005 (6)
 Threw five or more TDs: Jimmy Clausen at Stanford, 2009 (5)
 Threw four or more TDs: Tommy Rees vs. Air Force, 2011 (4)
 Threw three or more TDs: Tommy Rees at Purdue, 2011 (3)
 Threw five or more interceptions: Before 1975
 Threw four interceptions: Jimmy Clausen at Boston College, 2008 (4)
 Threw three interceptions: Tommy Rees at USC, 2010 (3)
 Completed a pass of 90 yards or more: Dayne Crist vs. Michigan, 2010 (95)
 Completed a pass of 80-89 yards: Dayne Crist vs. Western Michigan, 2010 (80)
 Completed a pass of 70-79 yards: Jimmy Clausen at Stanford, 2009 (78)
 Completed a pass of 60-69 yards: Dayne Crist vs. Washington State, 2009 (64)
 Completed a pass of 50-59 yards: Tommy Rees vs. Navy, 2011 (56)

Receiving

Caught 15 or more passes: Never
 Caught 10-14 passes: Michael Floyd vs. Boston College, 2011 (10)
 Caught seven to nine passes: Michael Floyd (9), Tyler Eifer (8), Robby Toma (7) vs. USC, 2011
 Had 200 or more yards receiving: Golden Tate at Stanford, 2009 (201)
 Had 175-199 yards receiving: Michael Floyd vs. Nevada, 2009 (189)
 Had 150-174 yards receiving: Michael Floyd at Michigan, 2011 (159)
 Had 100-149 yards receiving: Michael Floyd vs. Navy, 2011 (121)
 Caught four or more TDs: Maurice Stovall vs. BYU, 2005 (4)
 Caught three TDs: Michigan Floyd vs. Western Michigan, 2010 (3)
 Caught two TDs: Theo Riddick at Michigan, 2011 (2)

Total Offense

Had 500 or more yards total offense: Joe Theismann at USC, 1970 (512)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense: Jimmy Clausen vs. Navy, 2009 (447)
 Had 100 yards both passing and rushing:
 Jarious Jackson vs. Oklahoma, 1999 (276 passing, 107 rushing)

Scoring

Accounted for four or more touchdowns: Tommy Rees vs. Air Force, 2010 (4 passing)
 Accounted for three touchdowns: Jonas Gray vs. Navy, 2011 (3 rushing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes: Harrison Smith vs. Miami, Fla., 2010 (3)
 Intercepted two passes: Kyle McCarthy vs. Boston College, 2009 (2)
 Recovered three or more fumbles: Never
 Forced two fumbles: Maurice Crum, Jr. at UCLA, 2007 (2)
 Recovered two fumbles: Brian Smith vs. Michigan, 2008 (2)
 Recorded 20 or more tackles: Manti Te'o vs. Stanford, 2010 (21)
 Recorded 15-20 tackles: David Bruton (16), Kyle McCarthy (15) vs. Pittsburgh, 2008
 Recorded 10-14 tackles: Manti Te'o vs. Boston College, 2011 (12)
 Recorded 4.0 or more sacks: Victor Abiamiri at Stanford, 2005 (4.0)
 Recorded 3.0-3.5 sacks: Victor Abiamiri vs. Stanford, 2006 (3.0)
 Recorded 2.0-2.5 sacks: Darius Fleming at Pittsburgh, 2011 (2.0)

Special Teams

Scored 15 or more points kicking: Nick Tausch vs. Washington, 2009 (17)
 Scored 10-14 points kicking: David Ruffer vs. Boston College, 2011 (10)
 Kicked five or more field goals: Nick Tausch vs. Washington, 2009 (5)
 Kicked four field goals: Brandon Walker vs. Pittsburgh, 2008 (4)
 Kicked two field goals of 50 or more yards: Never
 Kicked a field goal of 50 or more yards: David Ruffer vs. Maryland, 2011 (52)
 Kicked a punt 70 or more yards: Jim Yoder vs. Texas, 1971 (71)
 Kicked a punt 60-69 yards: Geoff Price vs. PSU, 2006 (62)
 Punted 10 or more times: Geoff Price vs. USC, 2007 (10)
 Totaled 175 or more kickoff return yards: George Atkinson III vs. USC, 2011 (178)
 Totaled 100 or more punt return yards: Golden Tate at Pittsburgh, 2009 (101)

AN OPPOSING TEAM

Rushing

Had 400 or more yards: Pittsburgh, 1975 (411)
 Had 300-399 yards: Air Force, 2011 (363)
 Had 200-299 yards: USC, 2011 (219)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts: Navy, 2011 (50)
 Had five or more rush TDs: USC, 2005 (5)
 Had four rush TDs: Navy, 2010 (4)
 Had two or more players with 100 rush yards in a game: Navy, 2009
 (Vince Murray - 158, Ricky Dobbs - 102)

Passing

Had 400 or more yards: Washington, 2005 (408)
 Had 300-399 yards: Michigan State, 2011 (329)
 Had 60 or more pass attempts: Tennessee, 1990 (60)

The Last Time

Had 50-59 pass attempts: Michigan State, 2011 (53)
 Had 40-49 pass attempts: Miami, Fla., 2010 (40)
 Had 30 or more pass completions: Michigan State, 2011 (34)
 Had five or more passing TDs: USC, 2004 (5)
 Had four passing TDs: Michigan, 2011 (4)
 Had three passing TDs: USC, 2011 (3)

Receiving

Had two players with 100 receiving yards in a game: USC, 2009
 (Anthony McCoy 153, Damien Williams 108)

Total Offense

Had 600 or more yards total offense: Ohio State, 2006 Fiesta Bowl (617)
 Had 500-599 yards total offense: Air Force, 2011 (565)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense: USC, 2011 (443)
 Had 80 or more plays: Air Force, 2011 (88)
 Had 75-79 plays: USC, 2011 (79)

Scoring

Scored 60 or more points: Never
 Scored 50-59 points: Miami (Fla.), 1985 (58)
 Scored 40-49 points: Stanford, 2009 (45)
 Scored 30-39 points: USC, 2011 (31)
 Scored a two-point conversion: Air Force, 2011

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover: Boston College, 2011
 Had three or more fumbles lost: Michigan, 2011 (3)
 Intercepted five or more passes: USC, 1967 (7)
 Intercepted four passes: Purdue, 2003 (4)
 Intercepted three passes: USF, 2011 (3)
 Returned an interception for a TD: Tulsa, 2010
 (Shawn Jackson - 66 yards)
 Returned a fumble for a TD: USC, 2011
 (Jawanza Starling - 80 yards)

Defense

Held ND to 10 or fewer first downs: USC, 2007 (10)
 Scored a safety: Purdue, 2010
 Held ND to 50 or fewer rushing yards: USC, 2011 (41)
 Held ND to 101-200 passing yards: Wake Forest, 2011 (166)
 Held ND to 100 or fewer passing yards: UCLA, 2007 (94)
 Held ND to 201-300 yards total offense: USC, 2011 (267)
 Held ND to 200 or fewer yards total offense: USC, 2007 (165)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD: Tulsa, 2010 (Damaris Johnson - 59 yards)
 Returned a blocked punt for a TD: Michigan State, 2004
 (Jerramy Scott - 0 yards)
 Returned a kickoff for a TD: Michigan, 2009 (Darryl Stonum - 94 yards)
 Punted 10 or more times: Boston College, 2010 (11)
 Did not punt: Miami (Fla.), 1985
 Missed a kicking PAT: Michigan State, 2009

Miscellaneous

Had 30 or more first downs: Air Force, 2011 (32)
 Had 20-29 first downs: Maryland, 2011 (20)
 Had 10 or more penalties: Purdue, 2011 (13)
 Had 100 or more yards in penalties: Purdue, 2011 (118)
 Had 35 minutes or more of possession time: USC, 2011 (39:11)
 Had one 100-yard receiver and one 100-yard rusher: USC, 2011
 (Curtis McNeal, 118 rushing, Robert Woods, 119 receiving)

AN OPPOSING PLAYER

Rushing

Rushed for 300 or more yards: Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, 1975 (303)
 Rushed for 200-299 yards: Alexander Teich, Navy, 2010 (210)
 Rushed for 150-199 yards: Dion Lewis, Pittsburgh, 2009 (154)
 Rushed for 100-149 yards: Curtis McNeal, USC, 2011 (118)
 Rushed 40 or more times: Craig Heyward, Pittsburgh, 1987 (42)
 Rushed 30-39 times: Ricky Dobbs, Navy, 2009 (31)
 Rushed 25-29 times: Alexander Teich, Navy, 2010 (26)
 Rushed for five or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
 Rushed for four or more TDs: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (5)
 Rushed for three or more TDs: Ricky Dobbs, Navy, 2010 (3)
 Rushed for two or more TDs: Alex Carder, Western Michigan, 2010 (2)
 Had a run of 80 yards or more: Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2010 (87)
 Had a run of 70-79 yards: Walter Reyes, Syracuse, 2003 (71)
 Had a run of 60-69 yards: Javon Ringer, Michigan State, 2008 (63)
 Had a run of 50-59 yards: Alexander Teich, Navy, 2010 (54)

Passing

Passed for 500 or more yards: Never
 Passed for 400-499 yards: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (400)
 Passed for 300-399 yards: Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2011 (329)
 Attempted 60 or more passes: Andy Kelly, Tennessee, 1990 (60)
 Attempted 50-59 passes: Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2011 (53)
 Attempted 40-49 passes: Alex Carder, Western Michigan, 2010 (43)
 Completed 30 or more passes: Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2011 (34)
 Completed 20-29 passes: Matt Barkley, USC, 2011 (24)
 Threw five or more TDs: Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (5)
 Threw four TDs: Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2011 (4)
 Threw three TDs: Matt Barley, USC, 2011 (3)
 Completed a pass of 90 yards or more: Kyle Orton, Purdue, 2004 (97)
 Completed a pass of 80-89 yards: Curtis Painter, Purdue, 2006 (88)
 Completed a pass of 70-79 yards: Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2011 (77)
 Completed a pass of 60-69 yards: Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2011 (64)
 Completed a pass of 50-59 yards: Chase Rettig, Boston College, 2010 (58)

Receiving

Caught 10 or more passes: Robert Woods, USC, 2011 (12)
 Caught seven to nine passes: Antavian Edison, Purdue, 2011 (7)
 Had 200 or more yards receiving: Selwyn Lymon, Purdue, 2006 (238)
 Had 150-199 yards receiving: B.J. Cunningham, Michigan State, 2011 (158)
 Had 100-149 yards receiving: Robert Woods, USC, 2011 (119)
 Caught three or more TD passes: Dwayne Jarrett, USC, 2006 (3)
 Caught two TD passes: Robert Woods, USC, 2011 (2)

Scoring

Accounted for five or more touchdowns: Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2011 (4 passing, 1 rushing)
 Accounted for four touchdowns: Ricky Dobbs, Navy, 2010 (3 rushing, 1 passing)
 Accounted for three touchdowns: Matt Barkley, USC, 2011 (3 passing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes: Rod Johnson, N.C. State, 2003 (3)
 Intercepted two passes: Josh Bush, Wake Forest, 2011 (2)
 Recorded three or more sacks: Bruce Davis, UCLA, 2007 (3.0)
 Recorded two sacks: Nick Perry and Everson Griffen, USC, 2009 (2.0)

Special Teams

Kicked four or more field goals: Nate Whitaker, Stanford, 2010 (5)
 Kicked a field goal 50 or more yards: Matt Payne, BYU, 2004 (53)
 Kicked a punt of 65 or more yards: Jared Armstrong, Purdue, 2006 (69)
 Totaled 100 or more kick return yards: Lovell Jackson, Wake Forest, 2011 (114)

**Notre Dame Football
Roster Information**

NUMERICAL			ALPHABETICAL						
No.	Name	Pos	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl./Elg.^	Hometown/High School
1	Deion Walker	WR	34	Atkinson III, George	RB	6-1.25	200	Fr./1	Stockton, CA/Granada
1	Ishaq Williams	OLB	43	Atkinson, Josh	CB	5-11.5	185	Fr./1	Stockton, CA/Granada
2	Bennett Jackson	CB	12	***Blanton, Robert	CB	6-1	200	Sr./4	Matthews, NC/Butler
3	Michael Floyd	WR	49	Breslau, Blake+	S	5-10	180	Jr./2	San Diego, CA/Francis Parker
4	Gary Gray	CB	27	Brindza, Kyle	K/P	6-1	219	Fr./1	Canton, MI/Plymouth
5	Everett Golson	QB	21	Brown, Jalen	CB	6-0.5	198	Fr./1	Irving, TX/MacArthur
5	Manti Te'o	ILB	44	*Calabrese, Carlo	ILB	6-1	245	Jr./2	Verona, NJ/Verona
6	Theo Riddick	WR	56	Carrico, Brad	OT	6-5	290	Fr./1	Dublin, OH/Coffman
7	TJ Jones	WR	40	Cavalaris, Connor+	S	5-10	180	Fr./1	Lake Forest, IL/Lake Forest
7	Stephon Tuitt	DE	52	**Cave, Braxton	C	6-3	303	Sr./3	Mishawaka, IN/Penn
8	Kendall Moore	ILB	73	*Clelland, Lane	OT	6-5	297	Sr./3	Owings Mills, MD/McDonogh School
9	Louis Nix III	NG	28	*Collinsworth, Austin	S	6-1	200	So./2	Fort Thomas, KY/Highlands
9	Robby Toma	WR	29	*Coughlin, Patrick+	RB	6-0	200	Gr./4	Oak Lawn, IL/Brother Rice
10	Dayne Crist	QB	30	Councell, Ben	OLB	6-4.5	230	Fr./1	Asheville, NC/A.C. Reynolds
11	Tommy Rees	QB	60	**Cowart, Jordan	LS	6-2	215	Jr./3	Plantation, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
12	Robert Blanton	CB	10	**Crist, Dayne	QB	6-4	235	Sr./3	Canoga Park, CA/Notre Dame
12	Andrew Hendrix	QB	98	**Cwynar, Sean	DE	6-4	285	Gr./3	McHenry, IL/Marian Central Catholic
13	Danny Spond	OLB	16	Daniels, DaVaris	WR	6-1.5	185	Fr./1	Vernon Hills, IL/Vernon Hills
14	Luke Massa	WR	75	**Dever, Taylor	OT	6-5	301	Gr./4	Nevada City, CA/Nevada Union
15	Dan McCarthy	S	80	*Eifert, Tyler	TE	6-6	249	Jr./2	Fort Wayne, IN/Bishop Dwenger
16	DaVaris Daniels	WR	41	Farley, Matthias	WR	5-10.5	194	Fr./1	Charlotte, NC/Christian
17	Zeke Motta	S	46	***Filer, Steve	OLB	6-3	245	Sr./4	Chicago, IL/Mount Carmel
17	Matthew Mulvey	QB	38	Fitzpatrick, Nick+	WR	5-8	170	Jr./2	Mishawaka, IN/Marian
18	Ben Koyack	TE	45	***Fleming, Darius	OLB	6-2	255	Sr./4	Chicago, IL/St. Rita
19	Aaron Lynch	DE	3	***Floyd, Michael	WR	6-3	224	Sr./4	St. Paul, MN/Cretin-Derham Hall
20	Cierre Wood	RB	48	*Fox, Dan	ILB	6-3	240	Jr./2	Rocky River, OH/St. Ignatius
21	Jalen Brown	CB	47	Frantz, Jonathan+	OLB	6-2	215	Fr./3	Avon Lake, OH/St. Ignatius
22	Harrison Smith	S	88	Golic, Jake	TE	6-4	245	Jr./2	West Hartford, CT/Northwest Catholic
23	Lo Wood	CB	57	*Golic Jr., Mike	C	6-3	295	Sr./3	West Hartford, CT/Northwest Catholic
24	Chris Salvi	S	5	Golson, Everett	QB	6-0	185	Fr./1	Myrtle Beach, SC/Myrtle Beach
25	Jonas Gray	RB	81	**Goodman, John	WR	6-3	207	Sr./3	Fort Wayne, IN/Bishop Dwenger
26	Jamoris Slaughter	S	59	Grace, Jarrett	ILB	6-2.5	240	Fr./1	Cincinnati, OH/Colerain
27	Kyle Brindza	K/P	4	***Gray, Gary	CB	5-11	195	Gr./4	Columbia, SC/Richland Northeast
28	Austin Collinsworth	S	25	**Gray, Jonas	RB	5-10	230	Sr./4	Pontiac, MI/Detroit Country Day
29	Patrick Coughlin	RB	37	Grieco, Mike+	P	6-1	185	Sr./3	Glen Ellyn, IL/St. Ignatius
30	Ben Councell	OLB	65	Hanratty, Conor	OG	6-4.5	315	Fr./1	New Canaan, CT/New Canaan
31	Cameron Roberson	RB	34	Hardy, Eilar	S	5-11.25	177	Fr./1	Reynoldsburg, OH/Pickerington Central
32	Andrew Plaska	CB	77	Hegarty, Matt	OT	6-4.5	291	Fr./1	Aztec, NM/Atec
33	Cam McDaniel	RB	51	Heggie, Bruce	C/OG	6-5	280	So./1	Sorrento, FL/Mount Dora
34	George Atkinson III	RB	12	Hendrix, Andrew	QB	6-2	220	So./1	Cincinnati, OH/Moeller
34	Eilar Hardy	S	50	Hounshell, Chase	DE	6-4.25	265	Fr./1	Kirtland, OH/Lake Catholic
35	Joe Romano	CB	2	*Jackson, Bennett	CB	6-0	185	So./2	Hazlet, NJ (Raritan)
35	Ben Turk	P	90	***Johnson, Ethan	DE	6-4	300	Sr./4	Portland, OR/Lincoln
36	David Posluszny	ILB	7	*Jones, TJ	WR	5-11	187	So./2	Gainesville, GA/Gainesville
37	Mike Grieco	P	50	*Kavanagh, Ryan+	LS	6-3	200	Sr./3	West Chester, PA/Salesianum (Del.)
37	Eric Lee	RB/WR	18	Koyack, Ben	TE	6-5	253	Fr./1	Oil City, PA/Oil City
38	Nick Fitzpatrick	WR	37	Lee, Eric+	WR/RB	5-9	180	Fr./1	West Des Moines, IA/Dowling Catholic
38	Joe Schmidt	ILB	89	**Lewis-Moore, Kapron	DE	6-4	300	Sr./3	Weatherford, TX/Weatherford
39	Ryan Liebscher	WR	42	*Lezynski, Nick+	CB	5-9	180	Gr./4	Newton, PA/Notre Dame High School
39	Ryan Sheehan	CB	39	Liebscher, Ryan+	WR	5-11	190	So./1	Colorado Springs, CO/Cheyenne Mountain
40	Connor Cavalaris	S	93	Little, Connor+	LB	6-3	225	Fr./1	Lake Elmo, MN/Hill-Murray
40	Nick Tausch	K	74	Lombard, Christian	OT	6-5	301	So./1	Inverness, IL/Fremd
41	Matthias Farley	WR	19	Lynch, Aaron	DE	6-6	265	Fr./1	Cape Coral, FL/Island Coast
42	Nick Lezynski	CB	71	Mahoney, Dennis+	OT	6-7	294	Sr./3	Baltimore, MD/Boys Latin High School
43	Josh Atkinson	CB	72	Martin, Nick	C/OG	6-4.25	280	Fr./1	Indianapolis, IN/Bishop Chatard
44	Carlo Calabrese	ILB	70	*Martin, Zack	OT	6-4	303	Jr./2	Indianapolis, IN/Bishop Chatard
45	Darius Fleming	OLB	86	Martinez, Arturo+	TE	6-4	250	So./1	Miami, FL/Belen Jesuit
46	Steve Filer	OLB	14	Massa, Luke	WR	6-4	220	So./1	Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier
47	Jonathan Frantz	OLB	15	McCarthy, Dan	S	6-2	205	Sr./3	Youngstown, OH/Cardinal Mooney
48	Dan Fox	ILB	33	McDaniel, Cam	RB	5-9.75	192	Fr./1	Coppell, TX/Coppell
49	Blake Breslau	S	54	**McDonald, Anthony	ILB	6-2	238	Sr./3	Burbank, CA/Notre Dame

Notre Dame Football
Roster Information

ALPHABETICAL (CONT.)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl./Elg.^	Hometown/High School
8	Moore, Kendall	ILB	6-1	242	So./1	Raleigh, NC/Southeast Raleigh
17	**Motta, Zeke	S	6-2	215	Jr./3	Vero Beach, FL/Vero Beach
17	Mulvey, Matthew+	QB	6-2	191	Sr./3	Del Mar, CA/LaJolla
99	Newman, Brandon	NG	6-0	303	Sr./3	Louisville, KY/Pleasure Ridge Park
64	Nichols, Tate	OT	6-8	320	So./1	Walton, KY/Ryle
58	Niklas, Troy	OLB	6-6.5	250	Fr./1	Fullerton, CA/Servite
9	Nix III, Louis	NG	6-3	326	So./1	Jacksonville, FL/Raines
76	**Nuss, Andrew	OG	6-5	303	Gr./4	Ashburn, VA/Stone Bridge
51	Oxley, Sean+	ILB	6-2	235	Sr./3	Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake
49	Plantz, Tyler+	RB	5-9	195	So./1	Frankfort, IL/Providence Catholic
32	Plaska, Andrew+	CB	5-11	185	Sr./3	Zeeland, MI/Zeeland West
36	*Posluszny, David	ILB	6-0	235	Sr./3	Aliquippa, PA/Hopewell
79	Prestwood, Jordan	OT	6-5	287	Fr./1	Plant City, FL/Plant City
56	Rabasa, Anthony	ILB	6-3	240	Fr./1	Miami, FL/Columbus
83	***Ragone, Mike	TE	6-4	250	Gr./4	Cherry Hill, NJ/Camden Catholic
11	*Rees, Tommy	QB	6-2	215	So./2	Lake Forest, IL/Lake Forest
6	**Riddick, Theo	WR	5-11	198	Jr./3	Manville, NJ/Immaculata
31	Roberson, Cameron	RB	6-0	218	So./1	Newbury Park, CA/Newbury Park
78	***Robinson, Trevor	OG	6-5	311	Sr./4	Elkhorn, NE/Elkhorn
35	Romano, Joe+	CB	5-9	173	So./1	River Forest, IL/Fenwick
97	*Ruffer, David	K	6-1	193	Gr./4	Oakton, VA/Gonzaga
24	*Salvi, Chris+	S	5-10	190	Sr./3	Lake Forest, IL/Carmel Catholic
38	Schmidt, Joe+	ILB	6-0.25	220	Fr./1	Orange, CA/Mater Dei
96	*Schwenke, Kona	DE	6-4	285	So./2	Hauula, HI/Kahuku
85	Sharpley, Ryan+	WR	6-4	210	Sr./1	Marshall, MI/Marshall
39	*Sheehan, Ryan+	CB	5-10	177	Gr./4	Purcellville, VA/Loudown Valley
55	*Shembo, Prince	OLB	6-2	250	So./2	Charlotte, NC/Ardrey Kell
26	**Slaughter, Jamaris	S	6-0	198	Sr./4	Stone Mountain, GA/Tucker
87	*Smith, Daniel	WR	6-4	215	So./2	South Bend, IN/Clay
22	***Smith, Harrison	S	6-2	214	Gr./4	Knoxville, TN/Knoxville Catholic
13	*Spond, Danny	OLB	6-2	242	So./2	Littleton, CO/Columbine
69	Springmann, Tony	NG	6-5.5	280	Fr./1	Fort Wayne, IN/Bishop Dwenger
92	Stockton, Tyler	NG	6-0	290	Jr./2	Linwood, NJ/Hun School
62	Tansey, Matt+	OL	6-6	265	Jr./2	Berkeley Heights, NJ/Governor Livingston
40	*Tausch, Nick	K	6-0	190	Jr./3	Plano, TX/Jesuit
5	**Te'o, Manti	ILB	6-2	255	Jr./3	Laie, HI/Punahou
9	*Toma, Robby	WR	5-9	185	Jr./3	Laie, HI/Punahou
7	Tuitt, Stephon	DE	6-6.25	295	Fr./1	Monroe, GA/Monroe
35	*Turk, Ben	P	5-11	196	Jr./3	Davie, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
53	Utupo, Justin	ILB	6-1	251	So./1	Lakewood, CA/Lakewood
1	Walker, Deion	WR	6-3	206	Sr./3	Christchurch, VA/Christchurch
66	*Watt, Chris	OG	6-3	310	Jr./2	Glen Ellyn, IL/Glenbard West
82	Welch, Alex	TE	6-4	245	So./1	Cincinnati, OH/Elder
94	*Williams, Hafis	NG	6-1	295	Sr./3	Elizabeth, NJ/Elizabeth
1	Williams, Ishaq	OLB	6-5	255	Fr./1	Brooklyn, NY/Lincoln
20	*Wood, Cierre	RB	6-0	215	Jr./2	Oxnard, CA/Santa Clara
23	*Wood, Lo	CB	5-10	195	So./2	Apopka, FL/Apopka

^ Class is the academic year they will be this fall/Eligibility is the athletic season they will be this fall

+ Walk-on Player

* Number of monograms earned

NUMERICAL (CONT.)

No.	Name	Pos
49	Tyler Plantz	RB
50	Chase Hounshell	DE
50	Ryan Kavanagh	LS
51	Bruce Heggie	C/OG
51	Sean Oxley	ILB
52	Braxton Cave	C
53	Justin Utupo	ILB
54	Anthony McDonald	ILB
55	Prince Shembo	OLB
56	Brad Carrico	OT
56	Anthony Rabasa	ILB
57	Mike Golic Jr.	C
58	Troy Niklas	OLB
59	Jarrett Grace	ILB
60	Jordan Cowart	LS
62	Matt Tansey	OL
64	Tate Nichols	OT
65	Connor Hanratty	OG
66	Chris Watt	OG
69	Tony Springmann	NG
70	Zack Martin	OT
71	Dennis Mahoney	OT
72	Nick Martin	C/OG
73	Lane Clelland	OT
74	Christian Lombard	OT
75	Taylor Dever	OT
76	Andrew Nuss	OT
77	Matt Hegarty	OT
78	Trevor Robinson	OG
79	Jordan Prestwood	OT
80	Tyler Eifert	TE
81	John Goodman	WR
82	Alex Welch	TE
83	Mike Ragone	TE
85	Ryan Sharpley	WR
86	Arturo Martinez	TE
87	Daniel Smith	WR
88	Jake Golic	TE
89	Kapron Lewis-Moore	DE
90	Ethan Johnson	DE
92	Tyler Stockton	NG
93	Connor Little	LB
94	Hafis Williams	NG
96	Kona Schwenke	DE
97	David Ruffer	K
98	Sean Cwynar	NG
99	Brandon Newman	NG

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Brindza, Kyle – BRIND-zuh	Eifert, Tyler – EYE-fert	Slaughter, Jamaris – juh-MORE-iss
Calabrese, Carlo – CAL-uh-breeze	Filer, Steve – FY-ler	Tausch, Nick – TOWSH
Carrico, Brad – CARE-uh-co	Hardy, Eilar – EYE-lar	Te'o, Manti – TAY-oh, MAN-tie
Clelland, Lane – CLELL-und	Heggie, Bruce – HEGG-ee	Toma, Robby – TOE-muh
Coughlin, Patrick – COG-linn	Koyack, Ben – KOY-ack	Tuitt, Stephon – TWO-it, stuh-FON
Cowart, Jordan – COW-ert	Lewis-Moore, Kapron – cap-rin	Utupo, Justin – you-TOO-poe
Crist, Dayne – crist (rhymes with wrist)	Massa, Luke – MASS-uh	Williams, Hafis – hah-FEESE
Cwynar, Sean – SWIN-are	Mulvey, Matthew – MULL-vee	Williams, Ishaq – EE-shack
Daniels, DaVaris – duh-VAR-iss	Posluszny, David – poz-LUZ-nee	Wood, Cierre – see-AIR
Dever, Taylor – dever (rhymes with never)	Schwenke, Kona – sh-wenk-ee, COE-nuh	

Notre Dame Football
Two-Deep Depth Chart

Notre Dame Offense

WR	7	TJ JONES	5-11	187	So.
	81	John Goodman	6-3	207	Sr.
WR	9	Robby Toma	5-9	185	Jr.
	or 6	Theo Riddick	5-11	198	Jr.
LT	70	ZACK MARTIN	6-4	303	Jr.
	72	Nick Martin	6-4 1/4	280	Fr.
LG	66	Chris Watt	6-3	310	Jr.
	51	Bruce Heggie	6-5	280	So.
C	57	Mike Golic Jr.	6-3	295	Sr.
	76	Andrew Nuss	6-5	303	Gr.
RG	78	TREVOR ROBINSON	6-5	311	Sr.
	65	Conor Hanratty	6-4 1/2	315	Fr.
RT	75	TAYLOR DEVER	6-5	301	Gr.
	74	Christian Lombard	6-5	301	So.
TE	80	TYLER EIFERT	6-6	249	Jr.
	18	Ben Koyack	6-5	253	Fr.
	or 82	Alex Welch	6-4	245	So.
WR	3	MICHAEL FLOYD	6-3	224	Sr.
	87	Daniel Smith	6-4	215	So.
QB	11	Tommy Rees	6-2	215	So.
	10	DAYNE CRIST	6-4	235	Sr.
RB	20	Cierre Wood	6-0	215	Jr.
	34	George Atkinson III	6-1 1/4	200	Fr.
	or 33	Cam McDaniel	5-9 3/4	192	Fr.

Notre Dame Special Teams

PK	97	DAVID RUFFER	6-1	193	Sr.
	40	Nick Tausch	6-0	190	Jr.
	27	Kyle Brindza	6-1	219	Fr.
P	35	BEN TURK	5-11	196	Jr.
	27	Kyle Brindza	6-1	219	Fr.
LS	50	Ryan Kavanagh	6-3	200	Sr.
	or 60	JORDAN COWART	6-2	215	Jr.
SS	60	Jordan Cowart	6-2	215	Jr.
	50	Ryan Kavanagh	6-3	200	Sr.

Notre Dame Defense

DE	90	ETHAN JOHNSON	6-4	300	Sr.
	19	Aaron Lynch	6-6	265	Fr.
NG	9	Louis Nix III	6-3	326	So.
	or 98	Sean Cwynar	6-4	285	Sr.
DE	7	Stephon Tuitt	6-6 1/4	295	Fr.
	50	Chase Hounshell	6-4 1/4	265	Fr.
OLB	45	DARIUS FLEMING	6-2	255	Sr.
	1	Ishaq Williams	6-5	255	Fr.
ILB	48	Dan Fox	6-3	240	Jr.
	or 44	CARLO CALABRESE	6-1	245	Jr.
ILB	5	MANTI TE'O	6-2	255	Jr.
	8	Kendall Moore	6-1	242	So.
OLB	55	Prince Shembo	6-2	250	So.
	58	Troy Niklas	6-6 1/2	250	Fr.
CB	12	Robert Blanton	6-1	200	Sr.
	23	Lo Wood	5-10	195	So.
S	22	HARRISON SMITH	6-2	214	Sr.
	15	Dan McCarthy	6-2	205	Sr.
S	26	Jamoris Slaughter	6-0	198	Sr.
	or 17	ZEKE MOTTA	6-2	215	Jr.
	28	Austin Collinsworth	6-1	200	So.
CB	4	GARY GRAY	5-11	195	Sr.
	2	Bennett Jackson	6-0	185	So.

Notre Dame Special Teams

HLD	50	RYAN KAVANAGH	6-3	200	Sr.
	35	Ben Turk	5-11	196	Jr.
PR	81	JOHN GOODMAN	6-3	207	Sr.
	or 3	Michael Floyd	6-3	224	Sr.
KR	34	George Atkinson III	6-1 1/4	200	Fr.
	28	Austin Collinsworth	6-1	200	So.
	6	Theo Riddick	5-11	198	Jr.
	2	BENNETT JACKSON	6-0	185	So.
KO	27	Kyle Brindza	6-1	219	Fr.
	97	DAVID RUFFER	6-1	193	Sr.

ALL CAPS - returning starter from 2010

Sept. 3, 2011 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
USF	13	3	0	7	23	Record: (1-0)
#16/18 Notre Dame	0	0	7	13	20	Record: (0-1)

First Quarter	USF	ND
11:00 USF Webster 96 yd fumble recovery (Bonani kick)	FIRST DOWNS	20 27
4:45 USF Bonani 49 yd field goal, 8-41 3:04	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	42-126 29-117
1:08 USF Bonani 17 yd field goal, 5-39 2:31	PASSING YDS (NET)	128 391
	Passes Att-Comp-Int	30-18-0 49-31-3
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-254 78-508
	Fumble Returns-Yards	1-96 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	1-34 2--2
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-67 5-110
	Interception Returns-Yards	3-0 0-0
	Punts (Number-Avg)	7-36.6 5-34.2
	Fumbles-Lost	1-0 4-2
	Penalties-Yards	9-43 8-73
	Possession Time	31:06 28:54
	Third-Down Conversions	2 of 14 5 of 14
	Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1 0 of 0
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-3 2-6
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-14 2-7

PASSING: USF-Daniels 18-30-0-128. Notre Dame-Rees 24-34-2-296; Crist 7-15-1-95.

RECEIVING: USF-Griffin 8-75; Landi 3-14; Love 2-26; Lamar 2-3; Shields 1-12; Murray 1-1; Marc 1-minus 3. Notre Dame-Floyd 12-154; Eifert 6-93; Jones 6-58; Wood 3-44; Riddick 3-32; Ragone 1-10.

INTERCEPTIONS: USF-Lattimore 1-0; Young 1-0; Lanaris 1-0. Notre Dame-None.

FUMBLES: USF-Daniels 1-0. Notre Dame-Riddick 2-1; Rees 1-0; Gray 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): USF-Forte 1-0; Davis 1-0. Notre Dame-Te'o 1-0; Fleming 0-1; Lewis-Moore 0-1.

TACKLES (UA-A): USF-Lejste 6-4; Lanaris 5-5; Lattimore 5-4; Barrington 2-7; Young 5-2; Washington 5-2; Jeune 1-2; Webster 1-2; Sanchez 0-3; Giddins 0-3; Forte 2-0; McCaskill 1-1; Jenkins 0-2; Grisson 1-0; Davis 1-0; Cliett 1-0; Mitchell 1-0; Hampton 1-0; Boyd 0-1; Watson 0-1; Shaw 0-1. Notre Dame-Te'o 4-5; Fleming 3-5; Lewis-Moore 1-7; Nix 2-5; Blanton 4-2; Smith 3-3; Johnson 1-5; Gray, G. 5-0; Calabrese 1-4; Motta 1-4; Fox 0-4; Cwynar 0-4; Slaughter 2-0; Jackson 1-1; Turk 1-0; Wood 1-0; Lynch 0-1; Shembo 0-1; Niklas 0-1.

Sept. 17, 2011 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
#15/15 Michigan State	3	7	0	3	13	Record: (2-1)
Notre Dame	14	7	7	3	31	Record: (1-2)

First Quarter	MSU	ND
10:41 ND Wood, C. 22 yd run (Ruffer kick), 8-76 4:19	FIRST DOWNS	21 18
1:32 MSU Conroy 40 yd field goal, 4-4 1:27	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	23-29 32-114
1:20 ND Atkinson III 89 yd kickoff return (Ruffer kick)	PASSING YDS (NET)	329 161
	Passes Att-Comp-Int	54-34-1 26-18-1
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	77-358 58-275
	Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	0-0 2--3
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-129 4-142
	Interception Returns-Yards	1-34 1-82
	Punts (Number-Avg)	6-39.7 4-41.5
	Fumbles-Lost	1-1 3-2
	Penalties-Yards	12-86 6-53
	Possession Time	32:28 27:32
	Third-Down Conversions	5 of 17 5 of 12
	Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 3 0 of 0
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-5 2-2
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-7 2-18

PASSING: Michigan State-Cousins 34-53-1-329; Sonntag 0-1-0-0. Notre Dame-Rees 18-26-1-161.

RECEIVING: Michigan State-Cunningham 12-158; Martin 5-32; Bell 5-23; Caper 4-25; Sims 3-38; Baker 2-15; Anderson 1-21; Nichol 1-9; Linthicum 1-8. Notre Dame-Floyd 6-84; Wood, C. 6-5; Jones 3-40; Eifert 2-25; Riddick 1-7.

INTERCEPTIONS: Michigan State-Drummond 1-34. Notre Dame-Blanton 1-82.

FUMBLES: Michigan State-Cousins 1-1. Notre Dame-Rees 1-1; Atkinson III 1-0; Goodman 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Michigan State-Pickelman 1-0. Notre Dame-Lynch 1-0; Blanton 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Michigan State-Lewis 5-4; Allen 4-3; Rush 3-4; Norman 2-5; Adams 4-1; Worthy 3-1; Gholston 3-1; Robinson 2-1; Pickelman 2-1; Dennard 2-0; Bullough 1-1; Gainer 1-1; Drummond 1-0; Bell 1-0; Freeman 0-1; Elsworth 0-1; Jones 0-1; White 0-1; Mumphy 0-1. Notre Dame-Te'o 2-10; Gray, G. 7-3; Smith, H. 4-4; Blanton 3-3; Motta 1-5; Lewis-Moore 2-3; Lynch 2-3; Fox 1-4; Fleming 1-4; Slaughter 2-2; Calabrese 1-3; Niklas 0-3; Nix III 0-3; Tuitt 1-1; Johnson 0-2; Posluszny 0-2; Wood, C. 1-0; Brindza 1-0; Filer 1-0; Coughlin 0-1; Salvi 0-1; Cwynar 0-1.

Sept. 10, 2011 • Ann Arbor, Mich. • Michigan Stadium						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Notre Dame	14	3	7	7	31	Record: (0-2)
Michigan	0	7	0	28	35	Record: (2-0)

First Quarter	ND	UM
9:05 ND Riddick 7 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 7-57 3:46	FIRST DOWNS	28 16
1:56 ND Wood, C. 4 yd run (Ruffer kick), 10-83 5:35	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	33-198 26-114
	PASSING YDS (NET)	315 338
	Passes Att-Comp-Int	39-27-2 24-11-3
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	72-513 50-452
	Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	3-10 1-21
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	6-89 5-98
	Interception Returns-Yards	3-0 2-18
	Punts (Number-Avg)	4-33.5 5-38.6
	Fumbles-Lost	4-3 1-0
	Penalties-Yards	9-75 9-82
	Possession Time	37:01 22:59
	Third-Down Conversions	8 of 14 3 of 9
	Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0 0 of 0
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	3-5 3-3
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-5 0-0

PASSING: Notre Dame-Rees 27-39-2-315. Michigan-Robinson 11-24-3-338.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Floyd 13-159; Riddick 6-62; Eifert 4-51; Jones 3-28; Gray, J. 1-15. Michigan-Hemingway 3-165; Gallon 2-78; Smith 2-26; Grady 1-27; Roundtree 1-16; McColgan 1-15; Koger 1-11.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-Blanton 1-0; Motta 1-0; Gray, G. 1-0. Michigan-Floyd 1-16; Kovacs 1-2.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Rees 2-1; Collinsworth 1-1; Wood, C. 1-1. Michigan-Hopkins 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Fox 1-0. Michigan-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Te'o 5-0; Smith, H. 4-1; Fox 3-1; Blanton 2-2; Collinsworth 3-0; Lewis-Moore 2-1; Johnson 2-0; Williams, H. 1-1; Calabrese 1-0; Watt 1-0; Williams, Ish. 1-0; Shembo 1-0; Motta 1-0; Fleming 1-0; Nix III 0-1; Slaughter 0-1; Posluszny 0-1; Filer 0-1; Niklas 0-1; Moore 0-1. Michigan-Demens 8-4; Gordon 4-5; Kovacs 5-3; Robinson 5-2; Floyd 5-1; Hawthorne 4-2; Ryan 2-2; Black 3-0; Woolfolk 3-0; Martin 1-2; Van Bergen 2-0; Avery 0-2; Gallon 1-0; McColgan 1-0; Smith 1-0; Hemingway 1-0; Fitzgerald 1-0; Wile 1-0; Clark 1-0; Morgan 0-1.

Sept. 24, 2011 • Pittsburgh, Pa. • Heinz Field						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Notre Dame	0	7	0	8	15	Record: (2-2)
Pittsburgh	3	3	6	0	12	Record: (2-2)

First Quarter	ND	PITT
2:16 PITT Harper 45 yd field goal, 4--5 1:13	FIRST DOWNS	23 19
	RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	32-182 38-103
	PASSING YDS (NET)	216 165
	Passes Att-Comp-Int	41-24-1 32-22-0
	TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	73-398 70-268
	Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0 0-0
	Punt Returns-Yards	1-1 1-10
	Kickoff Returns-Yards	3-70 1-16
	Interception Returns-Yards	0-0 1-1
	Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.2 5-42.0
	Fumbles-Lost	1-1 0-0
	Penalties-Yards	8-85 9-55
	Possession Time	31:00 29:00
	Third-Down Conversions	6 of 15 7 of 17
	Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 2 1 of 2
	Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-1 2-2
	Sacks By: Number-Yards	6-36 2-9

PASSING: Rees 24-41-1-216. PITT-Sunseri 22-30-0-165; Anderson 0-2-0-0; Gonzalez 0-0-0-0.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Eifert 8-75; Riddick 6-52; Floyd 4-27; Jones 3-31; Toma 1-16; Wood 1-10; Koyack 1-5. PITT-Graham, R. 8-43; Shanahan 6-64; Street 2-21; Jones 2-18; Saddler 1-8; Patton 1-5; Graham, H. 1-3; Brinson 1-3.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-None. PITT-Hendricks 1-1.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Rees 1-1. PITT-None.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Fleming 2-0; Shembo 1-0; Calabrese 1-0; Te'o 1-0; Lynch 1-0. PITT-Taglianetti 1-0; Lindsey 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Te'o 8-2; Blanton 6-1; Shembo 5-1; Smith, H. 4-2; Calabrese 4-1; Gray, G. 4-1; Lewis-Moore 4-0; Fleming 3-1; Fox 2-1; Motta 2-0; Lynch 2-0; Slaughter 1-1; Tuitt 1-1; Jackson 1-0; Niklas 1-0; Nuss 1-0; Cwynar 1-0; Johnson 0-1; Nix III 0-1. PITT-Gruder 3-5; Williams, K. 6-1; Thomas 4-2; Holley 3-3; Roberts 4-1; Hendricks 4-1; Alecoih 3-2; Gordon 3-0; Taglianetti 3-0; Williams, G. 2-1; Ifill 2-1; Lindsey 1-2; Price 2-0; Caragein 1-0; Donald 1-0; Reed 0-1; Pecora 0-1; Jackson 0-1.

Oct. 1, 2011 • West Lafayette, Ind. • Ross-Ade Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Notre Dame	14	7	14	3	38	Record: (3-2)
Purdue	0	3	0	7	10	Record: (2-2)

First Quarter

14:36 ND Floyd 35 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 2-35 0:10
0:03 ND Gray, J. 2 yd run (Ruffer kick), 13-82 4:12

Second Quarter

9:06 ND Wood 55 yd run (Ruffer kick), 3-79 1:03
3:39 PUR Wiggs 27 yd field goal, 14-70 5:27

Third Quarter

12:00 ND Efert 6 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 7-69 3:00
2:07 ND Jones 11 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 12-87 4:45

Fourth Quarter

8:06 ND Ruffer 21 yd field goal, 16-70 7:34
0:21 PUR Edison 13 yd pass from TerBush (Wiggs kick), 11-95 3:59

RUSHING: Wood, C. 20-191; Gray, J. 15-94; Rees 1-3; Goodman 1-2; McDaniel 1-1; Team 2-minus 4. Purdue-Hunt 3-25; Bolden 6-17; Edison 2-14; Marve 3-10; TerBush 6-8; Shavers 5-4; Pegram 1-4; Bush 1-2.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Rees 24-40-0-254; Crist 1-1-0-10. Purdue-Marve 9-22-0-91; TerBush 10-15-1-101; Thomas 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Floyd 12-137; Jones 5-49; Efert 4-38; Wood, C. 2-22; Atkinson III 1-10; Goodman 1-8. Purdue-Edison 7-105; Siller 4-26; Gravesande 2-22; Ross 2-13; Wright 1-9; Shavers 1-7; Bush 1-6; Hunt 1-4.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-Gray, G. 1-13. Purdue-None.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Gray, J. 1-0; Floyd 1-0. Purdue-None.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Lynch 1-0; Te'o 2-0. Purdue-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Te'o 8-0; Blanton 4-2; Calabrese 3-1; Jackson 3-0; Collinsworth 3-0; Smith, H. 3-0; Lynch 3-0; Shembo 2-1; Fox 2-0; Lewis-Moore 2-0; Niklas 2-0; Filer 2-0; Atkinson III 1-1; Williams, H. 1-1; Fleming 1-1; Wood, L. 1-0; Slaughter 1-0; Gray, G. 1-0; Moore 1-0; Williams, Ish. 1-0; Posluszny 1-0; Salvi 0-1. Purdue-Evans 9-2; Allen 8-2; Feichter 8-0; Beckford 6-2; Holland 4-2; Charlot 2-3; Johnson 3-0; Harris 1-2; Carlino 2-0; Short 2-0; Link 1-1; Russell 1-1; Maci 1-0; Gooden 1-0; Siller 1-0; Lucas 1-0; Team 1-0; Greaves 1-0; Taylor 0-1.

Oct. 22, 2011 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
USC	14	3	7	7	31	Record: (6-1)
Notre Dame	0	10	0	7	17	Record: (4-3)

First Quarter

6:16 USC Telfer 2 yd pass from Barkley (Heidari kick), 13-66 7:39
1:01 USC Woods 3 yd pass from Barkley (Heidari kick), 6-62 2:47

Second Quarter

3:34 USC Heidari 25 yd field goal, 14-69 4:54
3:22 ND Atkinson III 96 yd kickoff return (Ruffer kick)
0:21 ND Ruffer 25 yd field goal, 10-68 1:34

Third Quarter

0:53 USC Starling 80 yd fumble recovery (Heidari kick)

Fourth Quarter

14:07 ND Gray, J. 25 yd run (Ruffer kick), 5-62 1:46
7:47 USC Woods 14 yd pass from Barkley (Heidari kick), 3-18 0:59

RUSHING: USC-McNeal 24-118; Tyler 13-67; Barkley 4-19; Farmer 1-11; Woods 1-5; Team 1-minus 1. Notre Dame-Gray, J. 4-38; Riddick 1-7; Rees 1-6; Wood, C. 5-5; Hendrix 2-4; Crist 1-minus 19.

PASSING: USC-Barkley 24-35-0-224. Notre Dame-Rees 23-37-1-190; Crist 4-5-0-36; Hendrix 0-1-0-0.

RECEIVING: USC-Woods 12-119; Lee 2-36; Carswell 2-23; Telfer 2-14; Grimble 2-12; Farmer 1-9; Butler 1-5; McNeal 1-4; Ellison 1-2. Notre Dame-Efert 7-66; Wood, C. 6-41; Riddick 5-56; Floyd 4-28; Jones 2-23; Gray, J. 2-3; Toma 1-9.

INTERCEPTIONS: USC-Robey 1-6. Notre Dame-None.

FUMBLES: USC-None. Notre Dame-Wood, C. 1-1; Crist 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): USC-None. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): USC-Pullard 5-3; Bailey 3-3; Robey 2-4; Perry 2-4; McDonald 1-4; Starling 1-3; Cumming 0-3; Kennard 2-0; Horton, S. 1-1; Tupou, C. 1-1; Dawson 0-2; Wiley 0-2; Madden 0-2; Wright 0-2; Romness 1-0; Galippo 0-1; Uko 0-1; Horton, W. 0-1; Jones 0-1. Notre Dame-Smith, H. 7-7; Gray, G. 7-5; Te'o 3-7; Slaughter 3-5; Tuitt 1-6; Fleming 3-3; Lewis-Moore 2-4; Fox 2-3; Blanton 3-1; Shembo 3-1; Nix III 0-4; Motta 0-2; Collinsworth 1-0; Efert 1-0; Atkinson III 1-0; Filer 0-1; Calabrese 0-1; Moore 0-1; Spond 0-1; Cwynar 0-1; Lynch 0-1.

Oct. 8, 2011 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Air Force	3	13	0	17	33	Record: (3-2)
Notre Dame	21	21	7	10	59	Record: (4-2)

First Quarter

12:13 ND Floyd 34 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 8-81 3:06
8:21 ND Efert 5 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 9-59 3:33
5:48 AF Herrington 34 yd field goal, 8-64 2:33
4:07 ND Toma 10 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 4-51 0:00

Second Quarter

13:41 AF Jefferson 3 yd run (Herrington kick blocked), 14-80 5:26
11:39 ND Gray, J. 5 yd run (Ruffer kick), 5-38 2:02
6:10 ND Wood, C. 8 yd run (Ruffer kick), 6-44 2:27
1:41 AF MacArthur 6 yd pass from Jefferson (Herrington kick), 12-80 4:29
0:32 ND Riddick 24 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 6-74 1:09

Third Quarter

6:49 ND Gray, J. 6 yd run (Ruffer kick), 6-64 1:54

Fourth Quarter

14:56 AF Herrington 32 yd field goal, 18-54 6:53
10:12 ND Ruffer 39 yd field goal, 9-56 4:44
6:22 ND Atkinson III 1 yd run (Grieco kick), 4-80 2:00
4:32 AF Coleman 36 yd pass from Dietz (Lacoste rush), 4-74 1:50
0:33 AF Lee 8 yd run (Hart rush failed), 7-67 1:41

RUSHING: Air Force-Clark 11-102; Jones 5-50; Dewitt 7-49; Lacoste 2-26; Lee 3-25; Getz 7-24; Jefferson 10-22; Baska 1-19; Strickland 2-18; Cobb 5-16; Dietz 2-10; Hart 1-3; Warzeka 3-0; Hunter 1-minus 3. Notre Dame-Hendrix 6-111; Gray, J. 7-69; Wood, C. 10-66; Riddick 1-14; McDaniel 2-8; Atkinson III 2-1; Team 1-minus 3.

PASSING: Air Force-Jefferson 12-24-1-137; Tipton 2-2-0-24; Dietz 2-2-0-41. Notre Dame-Rees 23-32-0-261; Hendrix 4-4-0-33.

RECEIVING: Air Force-Warzeka 6-71; Coleman 2-50; Freeman 2-32; Hirnese 2-15; Kauth 1-13; Dewitt 1-9; MacArthur 1-6; Hunter 1-6. Notre Dame-Riddick 8-83; Efert 8-81; Floyd 6-78; Wood, C. 2-11; Jones 1-23; Toma 1-10; Goodman 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: Air Force-None. Notre Dame-Slaughter 1-0.

FUMBLES: Air Force-Clark 1-1; Jefferson 1-0. Notre Dame-None.

SACKS (UA-A): Air Force-None. Notre Dame-Lewis-Moore 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Air Force-Davis 7-5; Lindsay 2-7; Hall 4-3; Waiwaiolo 1-5; Cooks 2-3; Wooding 0-5; Kusan 1-3; Wright 1-3; Amack 0-4; Hennessy 2-1; Batts 1-1; Kets 0-2; Adeji-Paul 0-2; Jablonsky 0-2; Champaign 0-2; Siderberg 1-0; Niklas 1-0; Benson 1-0; Pierce 1-0; Chambers 0-1; Watkins 0-1; Avey 0-1; Mays 0-1; DeJulio 0-1; Jones 0-1. Notre Dame-Smith, H. 7-5; Blanton 7-3; Te'o 5-5; Fleming 2-5; Fox 2-4; Slaughter 2-4; Gray, G. 3-2; Calabrese 1-4; Tuitt 1-4; Lewis-Moore 2-2; Hounshell 1-3; McCarthy 1-3; Jackson 3-0; Motta 1-2; Collinsworth 1-2; Salvi 2-0; Niklas 1-1; Wood, L. 1-1; Moore 1-1; Cwynar 1-1; Nix III 1-1; Spond 0-2; McDaniel 0-1; Shembo 0-1; Williams, I. 0-1; Lynch 0-1; Atkinson III 0-1.

Oct. 29, 2011 • Notre Dame, Ind. • Notre Dame Stadium

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Navy	0	7	0	7	14	Record: (2-6)
Notre Dame	14	21	7	14	56	Record: (5-3)

First Quarter

4:52 ND Gray, J. 4 yd run (Ruffer kick), 5-70 2:14
0:31 ND Wood, C. 1 yd run (Ruffer kick), 6-63 2:24

Second Quarter

11:06 NAVY Greene 9 yd pass from Miller (Teague, Jon kick), 6-27 2:42
10:51 ND Floyd 56 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 1-56 0:22
9:07 ND Gray, J. 2 yd run (Ruffer kick), 4-22 1:37
3:37 ND Wood, C. 1 yd run (Ruffer kick), 10-56 3:59

Third Quarter

2:59 ND Floyd 10 yd run (Ruffer kick), 9-86 4:23

Fourth Quarter

13:38 ND Gray, J. 5 yd run (Ruffer kick), 5-43 2:03
9:25 NAVY Cummings 12 yd run (Teague kick), 2-26 0:34
3:49 ND Atkinson III 1 yd run (Ruffer kick), 10-53 5:36

RUSHING: Navy-Teich 15-62; Miller 19-55; Cummings 6-24; Howell 2-22; Aiken 1-14; Staten 1-11; Snelson 2-5; Diggs 1-2; Greene 3-1. Notre Dame-Gray, J. 12-69; Wood, C. 11-66; Atkinson III 7-26; Toma 1-12; Floyd 1-10; Crist 2-8; Rees 1-minus 9.

PASSING: Navy-Miller 5-13-0-33. Notre Dame-Rees 16-22-1-237; Crist 3-3-0-23.

RECEIVING: Navy-Aiken 2-16; Teich 2-8; Greene 1-9. Notre Dame-Floyd 6-121; Riddick 4-58; Jones 3-28; Goodman 2-15; Wood, C. 2-13; Efert 1-17; Welch 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: Navy-Warrick 1-9. Notre Dame-None.

FUMBLES: Navy-Thomas 1-1. Notre Dame-Rees 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Navy-None. Notre Dame-Nix III 0-1; Te'o 0-1.

TACKLES (UA-A): Navy-Ferguson 1-8; Bush 3-5; Warrick 0-8; Gaines 4-3; French 3-1; Myers 3-0; King 1-2; Ryder 1-2; Sperry 0-3; Mitchell 2-0; Shannon 1-1; Jones 1-1; Tuani 1-1; Brewer 0-2; O'Boyle 1-0; Lynch 1-0; Sturdivant 0-1; Dowling-Fitz 0-1; Paulson 0-1. Notre Dame-Te'o 5-8; Blanton 4-3; Tuitt 2-5; Nix III 1-5; Slaughter 2-3; Smith, H. 3-1; Collinsworth 2-2; McCarthy 1-3; Motta 1-3; Shembo 0-4; Spond 2-1; Fox 1-2; Jackson 1-2; McDonald 1-2; Gray, G. 2-0; Niklas 2-0; Williams, H. 1-1; Salvi 1-1; Fleming 0-2; Cwynar 0-2; Moore 1-0; Williams, I. 1-0; Welch 1-0; Calabrese 1-0; Smith, D. 0-1; Atkinson 0-1.

Nov. 5, 2011 • Winston-Salem, N.C. • BB&T Field						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Notre Dame	10	0	14	0	24	Record: (6-3)
Wake Forest	10	7	0	0	17	Record: (5-4)

First Quarter

10:52 WF Pendergrass 20 yd pass from Price (Newman kick) 8-70 4:08
 6:15 ND Ruffer 44 yd field goal 10-28 4:28
 4:07 WF Newman 46 yd field goal 4-4 1:58
 3:38 ND Eifert 38 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick) 2-50 0:23

Second Quarter

0:28 WF Harris 2 yd run (Newman kick) 11-81 4:49

Third Quarter

12:54 ND Gray, J. 1 yd run (Ruffer kick) 6-62 1:58
 9:04 ND Floyd 16 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick) 6-65 2:22

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Gray, J. 19-92; Wood, C. 14-87; Rees 2-2; Team 3-minus 6. Wake Forest-Pendergrass 17-47; Givens 4-39; Harris 7-11; Price 6-10; Reynolds 2-5; Team 1-minus 2.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Rees 14-23-2-166; Goodman 0-1-0-0. Wake Forest-Price 17-24-0-187.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Floyd 5-44; Eifert 3-60; Jones 3-16; Wood, C. 1-17; Goodman 1-17; Riddick 1-12. Wake Forest-Campanaro 6-74; Givens 6-57; Pendergrass 2-29; Ford 1-16; Parker 1-15; Reynolds 1-minus 4.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-None. Wake Forest-Bush 2-54.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Gray, J. 1-0. Wake Forest-Pendergrass 1-1.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-Tuitt 1-0; Shembo 1-0; Lynch 1-0. Wake Forest-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Smith, H. 8-3; Blanton 7-3; Te'o 2-3; Shembo 3-1; Fleming 3-1; Tuitt 3-1; Nix III 2-2; Fox 1-3; Gray, G. 3-0; Lynch 2-1; Cwynar 1-1; Slaughter 0-2; Jackson 0-2; Atkinson, J. 1-0; Collinsworth 1-0; Martin 1-0; Jones 1-0; Atkinson III 1-0; Motta 0-1; Salvi 0-1; Kavanagh 0-1. Wake Forest-Jackson 5-3; Bush 5-3; Olson 2-6; Ehrmann 2-5; Dory 3-3; Thompson 0-6; Noel 5-0; Whitlock 0-5; Wilber 2-2; Okoro 3-0; Marshall 1-1; Quarles 1-1; Lowe 1-0; Allen 1-0; Mack 0-1; Cooper 0-1; Betros 0-1.

Nov. 12, 2011 • Landover, Md. • FedEx Field						
Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	F	
Maryland	0	7	0	14	21	Record: (2-8)
Notre Dame	10	14	14	7	45	Record: (7-3)

First Quarter

11:25 ND Gray, J. 1 yd run (Ruffer kick), 8-67 2:33
 2:47 ND Ruffer 52 yd field goal, 11-57 2:39

Second Quarter

8:29 ND Floyd 19 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 7-80 2:31
 5:18 MD McCree 13 yd pass from O'Brien (Ferrara kick), 9-61 3:04
 0:29 ND Gray, J. 1 yd run (Ruffer kick), 13-70 4:43

Third Quarter

8:48 ND Wood, C. 3 yd run (Ruffer kick), 14-84 6:06
 7:18 ND Wood, L. 57 yd interception return (Ruffer kick)

Fourth Quarter

14:02 MD Brown 24 yd run (Ferrara kick), 10-97 3:16
 5:31 ND Eifert 34 yd pass from Rees (Ruffer kick), 7-77 3:23
 0:37 MD Adams 2 yd run (Ferrara kick), 13-67 4:49

RUSHING: Maryland-Adams 16-55; Meggett 9-37; Brown 3-31; O'Brien 4-18; Cierski 3-4. Notre Dame-Gray, J. 21-136; Wood, C. 18-99; Hendrix 1-1; TEAM 1-minus 3; Rees 5-minus 21.

PASSING: Maryland-O'Brien 14-21-1-132; Brown 6-10-0-87. Notre Dame-Rees 30-38-0-296.

RECEIVING: Maryland-McCree 5-76; Boykins 3-37; Dorsey 3-25; Furstenburg 3-23; Tyler 2-27; Adams 2-13; Campbell 1-12; Meggett 1-6. Notre Dame-Floyd 9-90; Eifert 8-83; Toma 7-73; Jones 2-19; Wood, C. 2-15; Goodman 1-11; Gray, J. 1-5.

INTERCEPTIONS: Maryland-None. Notre Dame-Wood, L. 1-57.

FUMBLES: Maryland-Meggett 1-0. Notre Dame-Atkinson III 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Maryland-Bowers 0-1; Whitfield 1-0; Monroe 0-1; Twine 1-0. Notre Dame-None.

TACKLES (UA-A): Maryland-Hartsfield 9-4; HENDY 9-4; Twine 7-5; Franklin 4-8; Vellano 5-3; Drakeford 3-4; Hughes 2-4; Whitfield 2-2; Francis 1-3; Bowers 2-1; Till 2-0; McDougle 2-0; Claiborne 0-2; Monroe 0-2; Chism 1-0; Au Walker 1-0; Goree 0-1; Farrand 0-1. Notre Dame-Gray, G. 5-1; Spond 5-1; Nix III 4-2; Lynch 5-0; Smith, H. 3-2; Fleming 0-5; Calabrese 0-5; Moore 4-0; Fox 3-1; Te'o 3-1; Cwynar 1-2; Motta 2-0; Niklas 1-1; Williams, H. 1-1; Salvi 0-2; Jackson 1-0; Slaughter 1-0; Johnson 1-0; Collinsworth 1-0; Welch 1-0; Wood, L. 1-0; Brindza 0-1; Shembo 0-1; Williams, I. 0-1; Atkinson III 0-1.

The Automated ScoreBook
Notre Dame Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 19, 2011)
All games

Team Statistics	ND	OPP
SCORING	352	223
Points Per Game	32.0	20.3
FIRST DOWNS	267	225
Rushing	102	86
Passing	142	116
Penalty	23	23
RUSHING YARDAGE	1935	1569
Yards gained rushing	2129	1772
Yards lost rushing	194	203
Rushing Attempts	367	407
Average Per Rush	5.3	3.9
Average Per Game	175.9	142.6
TDs Rushing	24	8
PASSING YARDAGE	2845	2187
Comp-Att-Int	266-401-12	204-347-7
Average Per Pass	7.1	6.3
Average Per Catch	10.7	10.7
Average Per Game	258.6	198.8
TDs Passing	19	17
TOTAL OFFENSE	4780	3756
Total Plays	768	754
Average Per Play	6.2	5.0
Average Per Game	434.5	341.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	46-1098	53-1131
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	10-3	12-136
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	7-152	12-122
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	23.9	21.3
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	0.3	11.3
INT RETURN AVERAGE	21.7	10.2
FUMBLES-LOST	19-11	9-4
PENALTIES-Yards	68-661	80-655
Average Per Game	60.1	59.5
PUNTS-Yards	42-1654	61-2369
Average Per Punt	39.4	38.8
Net punt average	34.2	37.8
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	30:05	29:55
3RD-DOWN Conversions	69/144	52/155
3rd-Down Pct	48%	34%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	6/6	12/19
4th-Down Pct	100%	63%
SACKS BY-Yards	20-111	8-52
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	46	27
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	10-14	12-17
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0
RED-ZONE SCORES	(68-84) 81%	(58-74) 78%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(58-84) 69%	(42-74) 57%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(44-44) 100%	(23-24) 96%
ATTENDANCE	969540	555432
Games/Avg Per Game	12/80795	8/69429
Neutral Site Games		2/70251

Score by Quarters	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	oT	Total
Notre Dame	107	93	77	75	0	352
Opponents	46	67	13	97	0	223

The Automated ScoreBook
Notre Dame Individual Season/Career Statistics (as of Nov 19, 2011)
All games

	SEASON									CAREER								
Rushing	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
WOOD, Cierre	11	187	1064	63	1001	5.4	9	55	91.0	24	306	1722	118	1604	5.2	12	55	66.8
GRAY, Jonas	11	114	812	21	791	6.9	12	79	71.9	33	189	1161	61	1100	5.8	12	79	33.3
HENDRIX, Andrew	3	9	116	0	116	12.9	0	78	38.7	3	9	116	0	116	12.9	0	78	38.7
ATKINSON III, George	11	9	29	2	27	3.0	2	15	2.5	11	9	29	2	27	3.0	2	15	2.5
RIDDICK, Theo	9	2	21	0	21	10.5	0	14	2.3	30	42	226	16	210	5.0	0	24	7.0
FLOYD, Michael	11	2	13	0	13	6.5	1	10	1.2	41	4	30	0	30	7.5	1	10	0.7
TOMA, Robby	11	1	12	0	12	12.0	0	12	1.1	22	1	12	0	12	12.0	0	12	0.5
MCDANIEL, Cam	6	3	13	4	9	3.0	0	12	1.5	6	3	13	4	9	3.0	0	12	1.5
GOODMAN, John	11	1	2	0	2	2.0	0	2	0.2	33	3	16	0	16	5.3	0	13	0.5
CRIST, Dayne	4	5	14	30	-16	-3.2	0	7	-4.0	17	62	211	137	74	1.2	4	29	4.4
REES, Tommy	11	24	33	51	-18	-0.8	0	8	-1.6	20	36	53	73	-20	-0.6	0	12	-1.0
TEAM	6	10	0	23	-23	-2.3	0	0	-3.8									
Total	0	367	2129	194	1935	5.3	24	79	0.0									
Opponents	0	407	1772	203	1569	3.9	8	42	0.0									
Passing	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g		
REES, Tommy	11	137.50	247-371-11	66.6	2648	19	56	240.7	20	135.82	347-535-19	64.9	3754	31	56	187.7		
CRIST, Dayne	4	111.57	15-24-1	62.5	164	0	31	41.0	17	127.00	199-338-9	58.9	2327	16	95	136.9		
HENDRIX, Andrew	3	135.44	4-5-0	80.0	33	0	22	11.0	3	135.44	4-5-0	80.0	33	0	22	11.0		
GOODMAN, John	11	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	33	232.93	1-3-0	33.3	32	1	32	1.0		
Total	0	135.58	266-401-12	66.3	2845	19	56	0.0										
Opponents	0	123.86	204-347-7	58.8	2187	17	77	0.0										
Receiving	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g				
FLOYD, Michael	11	87	1014	11.7	7	56	92.2	41	258	3553	13.8	35	88	86.7				
EIFERT, Tyler	11	53	634	12.0	5	38	57.6	23	80	986	12.3	7	39	42.9				
JONES, TJ	11	36	357	9.9	3	26	32.5	23	59	663	11.2	6	53	28.8				
RIDDICK, Theo	9	34	362	10.6	3	37	40.2	30	80	819	10.2	6	37	27.3				
WOOD, Cierre	11	25	175	7.0	0	31	15.9	24	45	345	7.7	2	31	14.4				
TOMA, Robby	11	15	173	11.5	1	27	15.7	22	32	381	11.9	1	27	17.3				
GOODMAN, John	11	6	59	9.8	0	17	5.4	33	27	309	11.4	1	64	9.4				
GRAY, Jonas	11	6	38	6.3	0	15	3.5	33	11	105	9.5	0	23	3.2				
ATKINSON III, George	11	1	10	10.0	0	10	0.9	11	1	10	10.0	0	10	0.9				
RAGONE, Mike	2	1	10	10.0	0	10	5.0	37	11	109	9.9	0	30	2.9				
WELCH, Alex	8	1	8	8.0	0	8	1.0	8	1	8	8.0	0	8	1.0				
KOYACK, Ben	10	1	5	5.0	0	5	0.5	10	1	5	5.0	0	5	0.5				
Total	0	266	2845	10.7	19	56	0.0											
Opponents	0	204	2187	10.7	17	77	0.0											
Total Offense	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g						
REES, Tommy	11	395	-18	2648	2630	239.1	20	571	-20	3754	3734	186.7						
WOOD, Cierre	11	187	1001	0	1001	91.0	24	306	1604	0	1604	66.8						
GRAY, Jonas	11	114	791	0	791	71.9	33	189	1100	0	1100	33.3						
HENDRIX, Andrew	3	14	116	33	149	49.7	3	14	116	33	149	49.7						
CRIST, Dayne	4	29	-16	164	148	37.0	17	400	74	2327	2401	141.2						
ATKINSON III, George	11	9	27	0	27	2.5	11	9	27	0	27	2.5						
RIDDICK, Theo	9	2	21	0	21	2.3	30	42	210	0	210	7.0						
FLOYD, Michael	11	2	13	0	13	1.2	41	4	30	0	30	0.7						
TOMA, Robby	11	1	12	0	12	1.1	22	1	12	0	12	0.5						
MCDANIEL, Cam	6	3	9	0	9	1.5	6	3	9	0	9	1.5						
GOODMAN, John	11	2	2	0	2	0.2	33	6	16	32	48	1.5						
TEAM	6	10	-23	0	-23	-3.8												
Total	0	768	1935	2845	4780	0.0												
Opponents	0	754	1569	2187	3756	0.0												

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Scoring	SEASON						CAREER										
	td	fg	PAT			dpx	saf	pts	td	fg	PAT			dpx	saf	pts	
kick	rush	rcv	pass	td	fg				kick	rush	rcv	pass					
RUFFER, David	-	10-14	43-43	-	-	-	-	-	73	-	33-38	89-94	-	-	-	-	188
GRAY, Jonas	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	72
WOOD, Cierre	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	54	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	84
FLOYD, Michael	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	48	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	216
EIFERT, Tyler	5	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	32	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	44
ATKINSON III, George	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	24	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
RIDDICK, Theo	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
JONES, TJ	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
WOOD, Lo	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
TOMA, Robby	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
GRIECO, Mike	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1-1	-	-	-	-	1
REES, Tommy	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	-	-	0	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	-	0
Total	46	10-14	44-44	-	1	1-2	-	-	352								
Opponents	27	12-17	23-24	1-3	-	-	-	-	223								

Punt Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
GOODMAN, John	8	5	0.6	0	13	26	78	3.0	0	24
RIDDICK, Theo	2	-2	-1.0	0	0	2	-2	-1.0	0	0
Total	10	3	0.3	0	13					
Opponents	12	136	11.3	0	34					

Kick Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
ATKINSON III, George	27	751	27.8	2	96	27	751	27.8	2	96
RIDDICK, Theo	8	166	20.8	0	34	47	1051	22.4	0	38
COLLINSWORTH, Austi	7	143	20.4	0	41	8	177	22.1	0	41
JACKSON, Bennett	3	32	10.7	0	17	32	677	21.2	0	43
MCDANIEL, Cam	1	6	6.0	0	6	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total	46	1098	23.9	2	96					
Opponents	53	1131	21.3	0	59					

Interceptions	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
BLANTON, Robert	2	82	41.0	0	82	8	128	16.0	1	82
GRAY, Gary	2	13	6.5	0	13	6	131	21.8	0	41
WOOD, Lo	1	57	57.0	1	57	1	57	57.0	1	57
MOTTA, Zeke	1	0	0.0	0	0	2	0	0.0	0	0
SLAUGHTER, Jamoris	1	0	0.0	0	0	2	26	13.0	0	26
Total	7	152	21.7	1	82					
Opponents	12	122	10.2	0	54					

Fumble Returns	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
BLANTON, Robert	1	4	4.0	0	4	1	4	4.0	0	4
Total	1	4	4.0	0	4					
Opponents	2	176	88.0	2	96					

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All Purpose	SEASON								CAREER							
	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
WOOD, Cierre	11	1001	175	0	0	0	1176	106.9	24	1604	345	0	300	0	2249	93.7
FLOYD, Michael	11	13	1014	0	0	0	1027	93.4	41	30	3553	0	0	0	3583	87.4
GRAY, Jonas	11	791	38	0	0	0	829	75.4	33	1100	105	0	25	0	1230	37.3
ATKINSON III, G	11	27	10	0	751	0	788	71.6	11	27	10	0	751	0	788	71.6
EIFERT, Tyler	11	0	634	0	0	0	634	57.6	23	0	986	0	0	0	986	42.9
RIDDICK, Theo	9	21	362	-2	166	0	547	60.8	30	210	819	-2	1051	0	2078	69.3
JONES, TJ	11	0	357	0	0	0	357	32.5	23	0	663	0	0	0	663	28.8
TOMA, Robby	11	12	173	0	0	0	185	16.8	22	12	381	0	11	0	404	18.4
COLLINSWORT	11	0	0	0	143	0	143	13.0	24	0	0	0	177	0	177	7.4
HENDRIX, Andre	3	116	0	0	0	0	116	38.7	3	116	0	0	0	0	116	38.7
BLANTON, Robe	11	0	0	0	0	82	82	7.5	48	0	0	27	0	128	155	3.2
GOODMAN, Joh	11	2	59	5	0	0	66	6.0	33	16	309	78	0	0	403	12.2
WOOD, Lo	10	0	0	0	0	57	57	5.7	21	0	0	0	0	57	57	2.7
JACKSON, Benn	11	0	0	0	32	0	32	2.9	24	20	0	0	677	0	697	29.0
MCDANIEL, Cam	6	9	0	0	6	0	15	2.5	6	9	0	0	6	0	15	2.5
GRAY, Gary	11	0	0	0	0	13	13	1.2	44	0	0	0	0	131	131	3.0
RAGONE, Mike	2	0	10	0	0	0	10	5.0	37	0	109	0	0	0	109	2.9
WELCH, Alex	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	1.0	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	1.0
KOYACK, Ben	10	0	5	0	0	0	5	0.5	10	0	5	0	0	0	5	0.5
CRIST, Dayne	4	-16	0	0	0	0	-16	-4.0	17	74	0	0	0	0	74	4.4
REES, Tommy	11	-18	0	0	0	0	-18	-1.6	20	-20	0	0	0	0	-20	-1.0
TEAM	6	-23	0	0	0	0	-23	-3.8								
Total	0	1935	2845	3	1098	152	6033	0.0								
Opponents	0	1569	2187	136	1131	122	5145	0.0								

Field Goals	att	good	long	blkd	att	good	long	blkd
RUFFER, David	14	10	52	1	38	33	52	1
Total	14	10	52	1				
Opponents	17	12	49	0				

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	blk	no.	yds	avg	lg	blk
TURK, Ben	40	1599	40.0	58	0	134	5196	38.8	58	0
REES, Tommy	2	55	27.5	34	0	2	55	27.5	34	0
Total	42	1654	39.4	58	0					
Opponents	61	2369	38.8	61	0					

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
BRINDZA, Kyle	66	4308	65.3	10	4	66	4308	65.3	10	4
RUFFER, David	1	14	14.0	0	0	101	6370	63.1	12	4
Total	67	4322	64.5	10	4					
Opponents	50	3020	60.4	3	0					

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Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 03	USF	29	117	1	18	31	391	2	37	31-49-3	391	2	37	5	110	0	31	2	-2	0	0	508
Sep 10	at Michigan	33	198	1	38	27	315	3	29	27-39-2	315	3	29	6	89	0	34	3	10	0	13	513
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	32	114	2	22	18	161	1	33	18-26-1	161	1	33	4	142	1	89	2	-3	0	1	275
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	32	182	1	79	24	216	1	19	24-41-1	216	1	19	3	70	0	36	1	1	0	1	398
Oct. 1	at Purdue	40	287	2	55	25	264	3	35	25-41-0	264	3	35	3	73	0	26	2	-3	0	0	551
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	29	266	4	78	27	294	4	34	27-36-0	294	4	34	7	137	0	40	0	0	0	0	560
Oct 22	USC	14	41	1	25	27	226	0	25	27-43-1	226	0	25	6	197	1	96	0	0	0	0	267
Oct 29	NAVY	35	182	7	15	19	260	1	56	19-25-1	260	1	56	3	91	0	33	0	0	0	0	442
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	38	175	1	27	14	166	2	38	14-24-2	166	2	38	4	115	0	41	0	0	0	0	341
Nov 12	vs Maryland	46	212	3	21	30	296	2	34	30-38-0	296	2	34	4	57	0	20	0	0	0	0	508
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	39	161	1	26	24	256	0	37	24-39-1	256	0	37	1	17	0	17	0	0	0	0	417
Opponents		367	1935	24	79	266	2845	19	56	266-401-12	2845	19	56	46	1098	2	96	10	3	0	13	4780
Opponents		407	1569	8	42	204	2187	17	77	204-347-7	2187	17	77	53	1131	0	59	12	136	0	34	3756

Games played: 11
 Avg per rush: 5.3
 Avg per catch: 10.7
 Pass efficiency: 135.58
 Kick ret avg: 23.9
 Punt ret avg: 0.3
 All purpose avg/game: 548.5
 Total offense avg/gm: 434.5

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts				pts	
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf		
Sep 03	USF	30	52	82	6.0-17	2.0-7	0	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	20
Sep 10	at Michigan	29	12	41	5.0-17	1.0-5	1	0-0	3-0	0	1	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	30	58	88	5.0-23	2.0-18	1	1-0	1-82	10	10	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	50	14	64	8.0-44	6.0-36	0	0-0	0-0	4	1	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	15
Oct. 1	at Purdue	46	8	54	7.0-21	3.0-12	0	0-0	1-13	0	4	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	38
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	46	60	106	6.0-12	1.0-4	1	1-4	1-0	4	7	1	8-8	0	0	0	0	59
Oct 22	USC	37	54	91	2.0-3	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	7	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
Oct 29	NAVY	36	52	88	6.0-11	1.0-2	0	1-0	0-0	5	2	0	8-8	0	0	0	0	56
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	40	26	66	7.0-33	3.0-21	1	1-0	0-0	0	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
Nov 12	vs Maryland	43	28	71	1.0-1	0.0-0	1	0-0	1-57	0	1	0	6-6	0	0	0	0	45
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	19	50	69	5.0-17	1.0-6	0	0-0	0-0	9	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	16
Opponents		406	414	820	58.0-199	20.0-111	5	4-4	7-152	40	34	1	44-44	0	1	0	0	352
Opponents		390	408	798	47.0-171	8.0-52	8	11-176	12-122	22	31	1	23-24	1	0	0	0	223

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	
Sep 03	USF	5	171	34.2	41	0	0	1	0	0	0-1	0	0	4	220	55.0	0	0	
Sep 10	at Michigan	4	134	33.5	52	0	0	1	1	2	1-1	38	0	6	414	69.0	1	0	
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	4	166	41.5	50	0	0	0	1	2	1-1	33	0	6	407	67.8	2	0	
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	4	149	37.2	47	0	0	2	0	3	0-1	0	0	3	193	64.3	1	1	
Oct. 1	at Purdue	2	88	44.0	46	0	0	0	0	1	1-3	21	1	7	450	64.3	0	0	
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	2	75	37.5	38	0	0	2	0	1	1-1	39	0	10	675	67.5	3	1	
Oct 22	USC	4	168	42.0	48	0	0	1	0	0	1-1	25	0	4	280	70.0	2	0	
Oct 29	NAVY	1	41	41.0	41	0	0	0	0	0	0-0	0	0	9	552	61.3	0	0	
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	4	145	36.2	51	0	0	1	1	1	1-1	44	0	5	319	63.8	0	0	
Nov 12	vs Maryland	4	165	41.2	58	0	1	0	1	2	1-1	52	0	8	502	62.8	1	0	
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	8	352	44.0	55	0	3	1	1	1	3-3	41	0	5	310	62.0	0	2	
Opponents		42	1654	39.4	58	0	4	9	5	13	10-14	52	1	67	4322	64.5	10	4	
Opponents		61	2369	38.8	61	0	3	28	5	23	12-17	49	0	50	3020	60.4	3	0	

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OPPONENT STATISTICS

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
Sep 03	USF	42	126	0	17	18	128	1	18	18-30-0	128	1	18	4	67	0	31	1	34	0	34	254
Sep 10	at Michigan	26	114	1	39	11	338	4	77	11-24-3	338	4	77	5	98	0	24	1	21	0	21	452
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	23	29	0	8	34	329	1	25	34-54-1	329	1	25	4	129	0	42	0	0	0	0	358
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	38	103	0	42	22	165	1	18	22-32-0	165	1	18	1	16	0	16	1	10	0	10	268
Oct. 1	at Purdue	27	84	0	16	19	192	1	24	19-38-1	192	1	24	7	151	0	39	0	0	0	0	276
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	60	363	2	30	16	202	2	36	16-28-1	202	2	36	6	125	0	29	0	0	0	0	565
Oct 22	USC	44	219	0	15	24	224	3	25	24-35-0	224	3	25	2	41	0	21	3	38	0	26	443
Oct 29	NAVY	50	196	1	15	5	33	1	12	5-13-0	33	1	12	9	174	0	26	1	1	0	1	229
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	37	110	1	14	17	187	1	25	17-24-0	187	1	25	5	136	0	59	1	-2	0	0	297
Nov 12	vs Maryland	35	145	2	24	20	219	1	21	20-31-1	219	1	21	7	133	0	27	1	14	0	14	364
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	25	80	1	16	18	170	1	21	18-38-0	170	1	21	3	61	0	26	3	20	0	14	250
Notre Dame		407	1569	8	42	204	2187	17	77	204-347-7	2187	17	77	53	1131	0	59	12	136	0	34	3756
Notre Dame		367	1935	24	79	266	2845	19	56	266-401-12	2845	19	56	46	1098	2	96	10	3	0	13	4780

Games played: 11
 Avg per rush: 3.9
 Avg per catch: 10.7
 Pass efficiency: 123.86
 Kick ret avg: 21.3
 Punt ret avg: 11.3
 All purpose avg/game: 467.7
 Total offense avg/gm: 341.5

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			Blkd kick	PAT Attempts			saf	pts	
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv			
Sep 03	USF	38	40	78	5.0-23	2.0-14	2	2-96	3-0	1	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	23
Sep 10	at Michigan	49	24	73	4.0-9	0.0-0	1	3-0	2-18	0	2	0	5-5	0	0	0	0	35
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	34	28	62	9.0-31	1.0-7	2	2-0	1-34	3	2	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	13
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	42	22	64	5.0-15	2.0-9	1	1-0	1-1	5	5	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	12
Oct. 1	at Purdue	53	16	69	4.0-12	0.0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	2	1	1-1	0	0	0	0	10
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	25	54	79	2.0-5	0.0-0	0	0-0	0-0	4	1	0	1-2	1	0	0	0	33
Oct 22	USC	19	38	57	1.0-2	0.0-0	0	2-80	1-6	4	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
Oct 29	NAVY	23	40	63	2.0-17	0.0-0	0	1-0	1-9	1	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	31	38	69	2.0-10	0.0-0	1	0-0	2-54	1	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
Nov 12	vs Maryland	50	44	94	10.0-39	3.0-22	0	0-0	0-0	0	2	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	21
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	26	64	90	3.0-8	0.0-0	0	0-0	1-0	3	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
Notre Dame		390	408	798	47.0-171	8.0-52	8	11-176	12-122	22	31	1	23-24	1	0	0	0	223
Notre Dame		406	414	820	58.0-199	20.0-111	5	4-4	7-152	40	34	1	44-44	0	1	0	0	352

Date	Opponent	Punting							Field Goals			Kickoffs						
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Sep 03	USF	7	256	36.6	46	0	0	3	0	3	3-4	49	0	6	390	65.0	1	0
Sep 10	at Michigan	5	193	38.6	47	0	0	2	0	1	0-0	0	0	6	361	60.2	0	0
Sep 17	MICHIGAN STATE	6	238	39.7	55	0	1	3	1	1	2-2	40	0	4	257	64.2	0	0
Sep 24	at Pittsburgh	5	210	42.0	52	0	0	0	1	3	2-2	45	0	4	262	65.5	1	0
Oct. 1	at Purdue	7	298	42.6	61	0	0	4	1	4	1-2	27	0	3	198	66.0	0	0
Oct 08	AIR FORCE	3	120	40.0	54	0	1	1	1	0	2-2	34	0	7	400	57.1	0	0
Oct 22	USC	2	44	22.0	22	0	0	1	0	1	1-2	25	0	6	369	61.5	0	0
Oct 29	NAVY	5	169	33.8	41	0	1	2	0	0	0-1	0	0	3	175	58.3	0	0
Nov 05	at Wake Forest	5	187	37.4	44	0	0	1	0	2	1-2	46	0	4	237	59.2	0	0
Nov 12	vs Maryland	7	285	40.7	49	0	0	5	0	2	0-0	0	0	4	226	56.5	0	0
Nov 19	BOSTON COLLEGE	9	369	41.0	52	0	0	6	1	6	0-0	0	0	3	145	48.3	1	0
Notre Dame		61	2369	38.8	61	0	3	28	5	23	12-17	49	0	50	3020	60.4	3	0
Notre Dame		42	1654	39.4	58	0	4	9	5	13	10-14	52	1	67	4322	64.5	10	4

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Opponent	Score	First Downs				Pen	Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Comp-Att-Int			Yards				
USF	20 - 23	27 / 20	5 / 7	18 / 8	4 / 5	29-117 / 42-126	31-49-3 / 18-30-0	391 / 128	78-508 / 72-254	108 / 197	5 / 0	
Michigan	31 - 35	28 / 16	9 / 5	15 / 10	4 / 1	33-198 / 26-114	27-39-2 / 11-24-3	315 / 338	72-513 / 50-452	99 / 137	5 / 3	
MICHIGAN STATE	31 - 13	18 / 21	6 / 1	8 / 18	4 / 2	32-114 / 23-29	18-26-1 / 34-54-1	161 / 329	58-275 / 77-358	221 / 163	3 / 2	
Pittsburgh	15 - 12	23 / 19	10 / 9	11 / 8	2 / 2	32-182 / 38-103	24-41-1 / 22-32-0	216 / 165	73-398 / 70-268	71 / 27	2 / 0	
Purdue	38 - 10	34 / 17	15 / 5	17 / 10	2 / 2	40-287 / 27-84	25-41-0 / 19-38-1	264 / 192	81-551 / 65-276	83 / 151	0 / 1	
AIR FORCE	59 - 33	28 / 32	10 / 17	16 / 13	2 / 2	29-266 / 60-363	27-36-0 / 16-28-1	294 / 202	65-560 / 88-565	141 / 125	0 / 2	
USC	17 - 31	17 / 29	5 / 16	12 / 11	0 / 2	14-41 / 44-219	27-43-1 / 24-35-0	226 / 224	57-267 / 79-443	197 / 165	3 / 0	
NAVY	56 - 14	21 / 16	11 / 11	9 / 3	1 / 2	35-182 / 50-196	19-25-1 / 5-13-0	260 / 33	60-442 / 63-229	91 / 184	2 / 1	
Wake Forest	24 - 17	20 / 21	10 / 7	9 / 13	1 / 1	38-175 / 37-110	14-24-2 / 17-24-0	166 / 187	62-341 / 61-297	115 / 188	2 / 1	
Maryland	45 - 21	30 / 20	15 / 6	14 / 12	1 / 2	46-212 / 35-145	30-38-0 / 20-31-1	296 / 219	84-508 / 66-364	114 / 147	0 / 1	
BOSTON COLLEGE	16 - 14	21 / 14	6 / 2	13 / 10	2 / 2	39-161 / 25-80	24-39-1 / 18-38-0	256 / 170	78-417 / 63-250	17 / 81	1 / 0	
Totals	352 - 223	267 / 225	102 / 86	142 / 116	23 / 23	367-1935 / 407-1569	266-401-12 / 204-347-7	2845 / 2187	768-4780 / 754-3756	1257 / 1565	23 / 11	

Opponent	3rd Down Conversions	4th Down Conversions	Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards	Sacks
USF	5-14 / 2-14	0-0 / 1-1	28:54 / 31:06	-2:12	4.0 / 3.0	8.0 / 4.3	6.5 / 3.5	5-34.2 / 7-36.6	8-73 / 9-43	2 / 2
Michigan	8-14 / 3-9	0-0 / 0-0	37:01 / 22:59	14:02	6.0 / 4.4	8.1 / 14.1	7.1 / 9.0	4-33.5 / 5-38.6	9-75 / 9-82	1 / 0
MICHIGAN STATE	5-12 / 5-17	0-0 / 1-3	27:32 / 32:28	-4:56	3.6 / 1.3	6.2 / 6.1	4.7 / 4.6	4-41.5 / 6-39.7	6-53 / 12-86	2 / 1
Pittsburgh	6-15 / 7-17	2-2 / 1-2	31:00 / 29:00	2:00	5.7 / 2.7	5.3 / 5.2	5.5 / 3.8	4-37.2 / 5-42.0	8-85 / 9-55	6 / 2
Purdue	4-11 / 5-14	1-1 / 1-1	33:11 / 26:49	6:22	7.2 / 3.1	6.4 / 5.1	6.8 / 4.2	2-44.0 / 7-42.6	8-85 / 13-118	3 / 0
AIR FORCE	8-11 / 6-17	0-0 / 5-5	27:34 / 32:26	-4:52	9.2 / 6.1	8.2 / 7.2	8.6 / 6.4	2-37.5 / 3-40.0	6-54 / 6-70	1 / 0
USC	5-13 / 7-15	1-1 / 1-2	20:19 / 39:41	-19:22	2.9 / 5.0	5.3 / 6.4	4.7 / 5.6	4-42.0 / 2-22.0	5-48 / 2-25	0 / 0
NAVY	4-7 / 8-17	1-1 / 0-2	28:08 / 31:52	-3:44	5.2 / 3.9	10.4 / 2.5	7.4 / 3.6	1-41.0 / 5-33.8	6-51 / 3-30	1 / 0
Wake Forest	6-12 / 3-10	0-0 / 0-0	29:23 / 30:37	-1:14	4.6 / 3.0	6.9 / 7.8	5.5 / 4.9	4-36.2 / 5-37.4	3-37 / 6-55	3 / 0
Maryland	10-16 / 3-12	1-1 / 2-2	34:30 / 25:30	9:00	4.6 / 4.1	7.8 / 7.1	6.0 / 5.5	4-41.2 / 7-40.7	3-35 / 5-36	0 / 3
BOSTON COLLEGE	8-19 / 3-13	0-0 / 0-1	33:21 / 26:39	6:42	4.1 / 3.2	6.6 / 4.5	5.3 / 4.0	8-44.0 / 9-41.0	6-65 / 6-55	1 / 0
Totals	69-144 / 52-155	6-6 / 12-19	330:53 / 329:07	1:46	5.3 / 3.9	7.1 / 6.3	6.2 / 5.0	42-39.4 / 61-38.8	68-661 / 80-655	20 / 8

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

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INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	26	WOOD, Cierre vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Yards Rushing	191	WOOD, Cierre at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
TD Rushes	3	GRAY, Jonas vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
Long Rush	79	GRAY, Jonas at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
Pass attempts	41	REES, Tommy at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
Pass completions	30	REES, Tommy vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Yards Passing	315	REES, Tommy at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
TD Passes	4	REES, Tommy vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Long Pass	56	REES, Tommy vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
Receptions	13	FLOYD, Michael at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Yards Receiving	159	FLOYD, Michael at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
TD Receptions	2	FLOYD, Michael vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
	2	RIDDICK, Theo at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Long Reception	56	FLOYD, Michael vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
Field Goals	3	RUFFER, David vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Field Goal	52	RUFFER, David vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Punts	8	TURK, Ben vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Punting Avg	44.0	TURK, Ben at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
	44.0	TURK, Ben vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Punt	58	TURK, Ben vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Punts inside 20	3	TURK, Ben at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
Long Punt Return	13	GOODMAN, John at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Long Kickoff Return	96	ATKINSON III, George vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
Tackles	14	TE'O, Manti vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
	14	SMITH, Harrison vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
Sacks	2.0	FLEMING, Darius at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
	2.0	TE'O, Manti at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	BLANTON, Robert vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
	3.0	FLEMING, Darius at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
	3.0	TE'O, Manti at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Interceptions	1	GRAY, Gary at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
	1	BLANTON, Robert at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
	1	MOTTA, Zeke at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
	1	BLANTON, Robert vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
	1	GRAY, Gary at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
	1	SLAUGHTER, Jamoris vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
	1	WOOD, Lo vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	46	vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Yards Rushing	287	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Yards Per Rush	9.2	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
TD Rushes	7	vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
Pass attempts	49	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Pass completions	31	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Yards Passing	391	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Yards Per Pass	10.4	vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
TD Passes	4	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Total Plays	84	vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Total Offense	560	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Yards Per Play	8.6	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Points	59	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Sacks By	6	at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
First Downs	34	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Penalties	9	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Penalty Yards	85	at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
	85	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Turnovers	5	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
	5	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Interceptions By	3	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Punts	8	vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Punting Avg	44.0	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
	44.0	vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Punt	58	vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Punts inside 20	3	at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
Long Punt Return	13	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)

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OPPONENT INDIVIDUAL GAME HIGHS

Rushes	24	McNeal, Curtis, vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
Yards Rushing	118	McNeal, Curtis, vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
TD Rushes	1	Robinson, D., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
	1	JEFFERSON, Tim, vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
	1	LEE, Jonathan, vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
	1	Cummings, Jarvi, vs Navy (Oct 29, 2011)
	1	Harris, J, at Wake Forest (Nov 05, 2011)
	1	Adams, vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
	1	Brown, vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
	1	Bordner,J, vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Rush	42	GRAHAM,Ray, at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
Pass attempts	53	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
Pass completions	34	Cousins, Kirk, vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
Yards Passing	338	Robinson, D., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
TD Passes	4	Robinson, D., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Long Pass	77	Robinson, D., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Receptions	12	Cunningham, B., vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
	12	Woods, Robert, vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
Yards Receiving	165	Hemingway, J., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
TD Receptions	2	Woods, Robert, vs USC (Oct 22, 2011)
Long Reception	77	Hemingway, J., at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Field Goals	3	BONANI, Maikon, vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Long Field Goal	49	BONANI, Maikon, vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Punts	9	Quigley,R, vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Punting Avg	46.4	Webster, Cody, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Long Punt	61	Webster, Cody, at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Punts inside 20	6	Quigley,R, vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Punt Return	34	MITCHELL, Terre, vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Long Kickoff Return	59	Jackson, L, at Wake Forest (Nov 05, 2011)
Tackles	14	Kuechly,L, vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Sacks	1.0	FORTE, Julius, vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
	1.0	DAVIS, Claude, vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
	1.0	Pickelman, K., vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
	1.0	LINDSEY,Brandon, at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
	1.0	TAGLIANETTI,A., at Pittsburgh (Sep 24, 2011)
	1.0	Twine, vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
	1.0	Whitfield, vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Tackles For Loss	3.0	Twine, vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Interceptions	2	Bush, J, at Wake Forest (Nov 05, 2011)

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OPPONENT TEAM GAME HIGHS

Rushes	60	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Yards Rushing	363	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Yards Per Rush	6.1	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
TD Rushes	2	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
	2	vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
Pass attempts	54	vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
Pass completions	34	vs Michigan State (Sep 17, 2011)
Yards Passing	338	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Yards Per Pass	14.1	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
TD Passes	4	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Total Plays	88	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Total Offense	565	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Yards Per Play	9.0	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Points	35	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Sacks By	3	vs Maryland (Nov 12, 2011)
First Downs	32	vs Air Force (Oct 08, 2011)
Penalties	13	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Penalty Yards	118	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Turnovers	3	at Michigan (Sep 10, 2011)
Interceptions By	3	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)
Punts	9	vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Punting Avg	42.6	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Long Punt	61	at Purdue (Oct. 1, 2011)
Punts inside 20	6	vs Boston College (Nov 19, 2011)
Long Punt Return	34	vs USF (Sep 03, 2011)

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3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 03, 2011	USF	L 20-23	5-14 35.7	0-3 0.0	1-5 20.0	1-3 33.3	3-3 100.0	
Sep 10, 2011	at Michigan	L 31-35	8-14 57.1	1-1 100.0	3-6 50.0	2-3 66.7	2-4 50.0	
Sep 17, 2011	MICHIGAN STATE	W 31-13	5-12 41.7	1-2 50.0	1-3 33.3	3-5 60.0	0-2 0.0	
Sep 24, 2011	at Pittsburgh	W 15-12	6-15 40.0	2-5 40.0	2-4 50.0	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	
Oct. 1, 2011	at Purdue	W 38-10	4-11 36.4	2-4 50.0	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0	1-4 25.0	
Oct 08, 2011	AIR FORCE	W 59-33	8-11 72.7	4-4 100.0	2-2 100.0	0-1 0.0	2-4 50.0	
Oct 22, 2011	USC	L 17-31	5-13 38.5	0-2 0.0	2-5 40.0	3-5 60.0	0-1 0.0	
Oct 29, 2011	NAVY	W 56-14	4-7 57.1	0-0 0.0	1-2 50.0	0-1 0.0	3-4 75.0	
Nov 05, 2011	at Wake Forest	W 24-17	6-12 50.0	2-3 66.7	1-3 33.3	2-3 66.7	1-3 33.3	
Nov 12, 2011	vs Maryland	W 45-21	10-16 62.5	4-6 66.7	2-4 50.0	3-4 75.0	1-2 50.0	
Nov 19, 2011	BOSTON COLLEGE	W 16-14	8-19 42.1	3-5 60.0	1-4 25.0	3-5 60.0	1-5 20.0	
Notre Dame			69-144 47.9	19-35 54.3	17-41 41.5	18-33 54.5	15-35 42.9	0-0 0.0
Opponents			52-155 33.5	8-33 24.2	17-46 37.0	12-39 30.8	15-37 40.5	0-0 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 03, 2011	USF	L 20-23	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Sep 10, 2011	at Michigan	L 31-35	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Sep 17, 2011	MICHIGAN STATE	W 31-13	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Sep 24, 2011	at Pittsburgh	W 15-12	2-2 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	
Oct. 1, 2011	at Purdue	W 38-10	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	
Oct 08, 2011	AIR FORCE	W 59-33	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Oct 22, 2011	USC	L 17-31	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	
Oct 29, 2011	NAVY	W 56-14	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Nov 05, 2011	at Wake Forest	W 24-17	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Nov 12, 2011	vs Maryland	W 45-21	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Nov 19, 2011	BOSTON COLLEGE	W 16-14	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	
Notre Dame			6-6 100.0	0-0 0.0	2-2 100.0	2-2 100.0	2-2 100.0	0-0 0.0
Opponents			12-19 63.2	2-2 100.0	3-5 60.0	3-5 60.0	4-7 57.1	0-0 0.0

Time of Possession

Date	Opponent	Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
Sep 03, 2011	USF	L 20-23	28:54	9:25	5:38	7:54	5:57	
Sep 10, 2011	at Michigan	L 31-35	37:01	9:21	9:56	8:44	9:00	
Sep 17, 2011	MICHIGAN STATE	W 31-13	27:32	8:28	7:08	7:44	4:12	
Sep 24, 2011	at Pittsburgh	W 15-12	31:00	11:15	6:59	5:32	7:14	
Oct. 1, 2011	at Purdue	W 38-10	33:11	9:31	5:49	8:25	9:26	
Oct 08, 2011	AIR FORCE	W 59-33	27:34	8:20	5:38	4:01	9:35	
Oct 22, 2011	USC	L 17-31	20:19	4:34	6:06	7:15	2:24	
Oct 29, 2011	NAVY	W 56-14	28:08	4:38	8:54	6:43	7:53	
Nov 05, 2011	at Wake Forest	W 24-17	29:23	5:25	7:14	8:05	8:39	
Nov 12, 2011	vs Maryland	W 45-21	34:30	7:30	9:50	10:11	6:59	
Nov 19, 2011	BOSTON COLLEGE	W 16-14	33:21	7:43	7:36	7:22	10:40	
Notre Dame			Total	86:10	80:48	81:56	81:59	0:00
			Avg.	7:50	7:20	7:26	7:27	0:00
Opponents			Total	78:50	84:12	83:04	83:01	0:00
			Avg.	7:10	7:39	7:33	7:32	0:00

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Notre Dame Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times In RZ	Times Scored	Total Pts	Rush TDs	Pass TDs	FGs Made	Failed to score inside RZ						
									FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game	
Sep 03, 2011	USF	L 20-23	6	2	13	2	1	1	0	1	0	2	1	0	0
Sep 10, 2011	at Michigan	L 31-35	5	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Sep 17, 2011	MICHIGAN STATE	W 31-13	2	2	10	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 24, 2011	at Pittsburgh	W 15-12	1	1	8	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct. 1, 2011	at Purdue	W 38-10	5	4	24	3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 08, 2011	AIR FORCE	W 59-33	6	6	42	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 22, 2011	USC	L 17-31	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Oct 29, 2011	NAVY	W 56-14	7	7	49	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 05, 2011	at Wake Forest	W 24-17	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 12, 2011	vs Maryland	W 45-21	4	4	28	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 19, 2011	BOSTON COLLEGE	W 16-14	2	2	6	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			42	34	218	29	19	10	5	2	0	3	3	0	0
34 of 42 (81.0%)															

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Sep 03, 2011	USF	L 20-23	3	3	13	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 10, 2011	at Michigan	L 31-35	3	3	21	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sep 17, 2011	MICHIGAN STATE	W 31-13	5	2	10	1	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0
Sep 24, 2011	at Pittsburgh	W 15-12	2	2	9	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct. 1, 2011	at Purdue	W 38-10	2	2	10	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 08, 2011	AIR FORCE	W 59-33	5	5	25	3	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oct 22, 2011	USC	L 17-31	6	4	24	3	0	3	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
Oct 29, 2011	NAVY	W 56-14	3	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Nov 05, 2011	at Wake Forest	W 24-17	4	2	14	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nov 12, 2011	vs Maryland	W 45-21	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov 19, 2011	BOSTON COLLEGE	W 16-14	2	2	14	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals			37	29	168	21	7	14	8	2	3	1	1	1	0
29 of 37 (78.4%)															