

# ILLINOIS STATE



## REVIEW 2005

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### 2005 ILLINOIS STATE TEAM STATS

TEAM STATISTICS	ISU	OPP
SCORING	431	234
Points Per Game	39.2	21.3
FIRST DOWNS	271	208
Rushing	124	90
Passing	137	101
Penalty	10	17
RUSHING YARDAGE	2297	1628
Yards gained rushing	2557	1937
Yards lost rushing	260	309
Rushing Attempts	497	434
Average Per Rush	4.6	3.8
Average Per Game	208.8	148.0
TDs Rushing	31	15
PASSING YARDAGE	2956	2146
Att-Comp-Int	338-217-12	334-196-10
Average Per Pass	8.7	6.4
Average Per Catch	13.6	10.9
Average Per Game	268.7	195.1
TDs Passing	22	15
TOTAL OFFENSE	5253	3774
Total Plays	835	768
Average Per Play	6.3	4.9
Average Per Game	477.5	343.1
KICK RETURNS: #-YARDS	32-647	51-862
PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS	25-195	20-229
INT RETURNS: #-YARDS	10-87	12-60
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	20.2	16.9
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	7.8	11.4
INT RETURN AVERAGE	8.7	5.0
FUMBLES-LOST	17-6	24-14
PENALTIES-YARDS	77-708	60-481
Average Per Game	64.4	43.7
PUNTS-YARDS	43-1729	63-2372
Average Per Punt	40.2	37.7
Net punt average	34.9	34.6
TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME	31:21	28:39
3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS	80/159	59/165
3rd-Down Pct	50%	36%
4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS	5/16	8/15
4th-Down Pct	31%	53%
SACKS BY-YARDS	30-153	18-114
MISC YARDS	186	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	58	30
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	9-14	9-16
PAT-ATTEMPTS	50-55	23-27
ATTENDANCE	54504	86188
Games/Avg Per Game	6/9084	5/17238

SCORE BY QUARTERS	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
Illinois State	111	119	109	92	0	431
Opponents	48	62	41	80	3	234

### 2005 ILLINOIS STATE FOOTBALL INDIVIDUAL STATS

RUSHING	G	Att	Gain	Loss	Net	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
REMBERT,Pierre	10	145	852	51	801	5.5	12	56	80.1
THOMPSON,Brian	8	120	632	23	609	5.1	6	32	76.1
RICE,Rafael	8	87	348	24	324	3.7	6	20	40.5
RICE,Cortes	3	45	238	3	235	5.2	4	15	78.3
DRONE,Luke	11	72	271	145	126	1.8	2	19	11.5
KPANDEYENGE,Ansu	3	9	90	8	82	9.1	1	68	27.3
BROCKWAY,Kevin	5	7	45	3	42	6.0	0	18	8.4
HORTON,Jason	11	3	29	0	29	9.7	0	26	2.6
JACKSON,Pierre	11	1	27	0	27	27.0	0	27	2.5
BORZICK,Tristan	10	8	25	3	22	2.8	0	8	2.2
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>2557</b>	<b>260</b>	<b>2297</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>208.8</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>1937</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>1628</b>	<b>3.8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>148.0</b>

PASSING	G	Effic	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct	Yds	TD	Lng	Avg/G
DRONE,Luke	11	153.23	332-214-12	64.5	2930	22	88	266.4
BROCKWAY,Kevin	5	129.60	4-3-0	75.0	26	0	13	5.2
TEAM	4	0.00	2-0-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>152.04</b>	<b>338-217-12</b>	<b>64.2</b>	<b>2956</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>268.7</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>121.49</b>	<b>334-196-10</b>	<b>58.7</b>	<b>2146</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>195.1</b>

RECEIVING	G	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long	Avg/G
ROBINSON,Laurént	11	86	1465	17.0	12	88	133.2
HORTON,Jason	11	30	325	10.8	3	30	29.5
JACKSON,Pierre	11	26	362	13.9	5	55	32.9
MORDIS,Dave	11	19	199	10.5	0	27	18.1
HAYDEN,Marcus	11	11	118	10.7	0	21	10.7
DENLEY,Jonathan	11	10	80	8.0	0	13	7.3
REMBERT,Pierre	10	8	138	17.2	0	29	13.8
THOMPSON,Brian	8	8	104	13.0	0	23	13.0
BORZICK,Tristan	10	5	43	8.6	1	19	4.3
RICE,Rafael	8	3	19	6.3	0	19	2.4
KREGER,Kevin	11	3	16	5.3	0	14	1.5
RICE,Cortes	3	2	32	16.0	0	25	10.7
ROURKE,Jacob	7	2	24	12.0	0	13	3.4
MEREDITH,Kedric	11	2	16	8.0	1	13	1.5
PASSARELLI,Dan	8	1	13	13.0	0	13	1.6
ARNDT,Brian	4	1	2	2.0	0	2	0.5
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>2956</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>268.7</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>2146</b>	<b>10.9</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>195.1</b>

PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
HORTON,Jason	23	190	8.3	0	51
CAESAR,Jesse	1	4	4.0	0	0
PASSARELLI,Dan	1	1	1.0	0	1
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>11.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>

INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
TEMPLE,James	4	56	14.0	0	41
BARBER,Ramon	2	0	0.0	0	0
STEWART,Kye	1	21	21.0	1	21
ROBERTS,Garry	1	0	0.0	0	0
CAESAR,Jesse	1	6	6.0	0	6
CAMPBELL,Niall	1	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>

KICK RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
THOMPSON,Brian	12	257	21.4	0	35
REMBERT,Pierre	8	133	16.6	0	25
HORTON,Jason	6	132	22.0	0	34
NELSON,Tom	5	111	22.2	0	49
BORZICK,Tristan	1	14	14.0	0	14
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>43</b>

FUMBLE RETURNS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
STEWART,Kye	2	61	30.5	1	42
TEMPLE,James	1	56	56.0	1	56
CAESAR,Jesse	1	69	69.0	1	69
CAMPBELL,Niall	0	0	0.0	0	0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>46.5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Points
MAZUR,Kevin	0	9-13	49-53	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	76
ROBINSON,Laurént	12	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0-0	0	0	74
REMBERT,Pierre	12	0-0	0-0	1-1	0	0-0	0	0	74
RICE,Rafael	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
THOMPSON,Brian	6	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	36
JACKSON,Pierre	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	30
RICE,Cortes	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	24
HORTON,Jason	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	18
DRONE,Luke	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1-1	0	0	12
STEWART,Kye	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
CAMPBELL,Niall	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
TEMPLE,James	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
CAESAR,Jesse	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
MEREDITH,Kedric	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
KPANDEYENGE,Ansu	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
BORZICK,Tristan	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
BARBER,Ramon	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	1	0	2
KELSEY,Bobby	0	0-1	1-2	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	1
CIRAFESI,Wally	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-1	0	0	0
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>9-14</b>	<b>50-55</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>431</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>9-16</b>	<b>23-27</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>234</b>

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total	Avg/G
DRONE,Luke	11	404	126	2930	3056	277.8
REMBERT,Pierre	10	145	801	0	801	80.1
THOMPSON,Brian	8	120	609	0	609	76.1
RICE,Rafael	8	87	324	0	324	40.5
RICE,Cortes	3	45	235	0	235	78.3
KPANDEYENGE,Ansu	3	9	82	0	82	27.3
BROCKWAY,Kevin	5	11	42	26	68	13.6
HORTON,Jason	11	3	29	0	29	2.6
JACKSON,Pierre	11	1	27	0	27	2.5
BORZICK,Tristan	10	8	22	0	22	2.2
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>835</b>	<b>2297</b>	<b>2956</b>	<b>5253</b>	<b>477.5</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>768</b>	<b>1628</b>	<b>2146</b>	<b>3774</b>	<b>343.1</b>

FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	Lg	Bk
MAZUR,Kevin	9-13	69.2	0-0	5-6	4-6	0-1	0-0	38	0
KELSEY,Bobby	0-1	0.0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0	1

FG SEQUENCE	Illinois State	OPPONENTS
Iowa State		25,(25)
Drake	(34),(-34)	36
Eastern Illinois	-	47,24
Murray State	34,46	-
Youngstown State	(24)	(26),(21)
Western Kentucky	(22),(38),44	(45),(43),(33)
Southern Illinois	(20),(27)	-
UNI	26,(21)	(32),46
Western Illinois	(35),32	(41)
Missouri State	-	(36)
Indiana State	-	33,49

Numbers in parentheses indicate field goal was made.

PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	TB	FC	120	Bkld
HOFFMAN,Ryan	41	1729	42.2	65	7	2	12	1
TEAM	2	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	1
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>1729</b>	<b>40.2</b>					

**2005 ILLINOIS STATE FOOTBALL DEFENSIVE STATS**

DEFENSIVE LEADERS	GP	TACKLES				SACKS	PASS DEF			FUMBLES		BLKD	
		SOLO	AST	TOTAL	TFL/YDS	NO-YARDS	INT-YDS	BRUP	QBH	RCV-YDS	FF	KICK	SAF
40 SISKOWIC,Cameron	11	55	77	132	14.0-33	4.0-10	.	3	.	2-0	1	.	.
6 STEWART,Kye	11	51	42	93	3.5-14	1.5-9	1-21	3	.	3-61	1	.	.
44 CAMPBELL,Niall	11	25	43	68	8.5-14	.	1-0	4	.	1-0	1	.	.
57 HAWKINS,Brent	11	41	26	67	26.5-120	17.0-87	.	3	.	2-0	7	.	.
28 TEMPLE,James	11	41	19	60	2.5-4	.	4-56	4	.	1-56	1	.	.
11 NELSON,Tom	11	28	29	57	2.5-6	.	.	6	.	1-0	1	.	.
29 CAESAR,Jesse	11	31	24	55	3.0-11	.	1-6	5	.	1-69	2	.	.
13 BARBER,Ramon	11	33	19	52	3.0-7	.	2-0	3	.	.	.	.	.
73 MARTINDALE,Justin	11	13	25	38	6.0-16	2.5-9	.	3	.	1-0	.	3	.
3 FILIN,Alex	11	13	14	27	.	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
37 YEARBY,Sesamir	10	5	16	21	1.0-3	0.5-2	.	.	1	1-0	.	.	.
99 STEVENSON,James	11	9	8	17	2.5-5	1.5-3	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
59 HRONEC,Bill	7	7	9	16	1.5-3	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
21 PASSARELLI,Nick	4	8	7	15	2.0-6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
36 ROLLE,William	11	9	5	14	1.0-1	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
50 CONNER,Montel	10	5	7	12	3.0-8	.	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
94 THOMAS,Jarek	4	5	7	12	3.0-23	2.0-22	.	.	1	1-0	.	1	.
31 MATTHEWS,Mitchell	10	5	5	10	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
98 BLOUGH,Mike	11	3	5	8	0.5-1	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
19 KELSEY,Bobby	11	7	1	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25 KITTRELL,Leon	7	6	2	8	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
95 TATE,Ronnie	9	3	4	7	1.5-6	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
97 HUNTER,Kaschiev	8	3	3	6	2.0-9	1.0-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1 YEARGIN,Sam	5	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
48 CUCCI,Pat	11	1	4	5	0.5-1	.	0-4	.	.	.	.	.	.
38 BORZICK,Tristan	10	4	1	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52 TERRAZAS,Jesus	10	1	3	4	0.5-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
23 LAGRONE,Lamont	6	2	2	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
27 REMBERT,Pierre	10	1	2	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
4 JACKSON,Pierre	11	3	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
34 HAWKINS,Marques	4	1	2	3	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
30 ROBERTS,Garry	10	1	2	3	0.5-1	.	1-0	1	.	.	.	.	.
92 ALLARD,Chance	2	1	1	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
90 SIMNICK,Dan	5	1	1	2	1.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
81 ROBINSON,Laurént	11	2	.	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.	.
7 DRONE,Luke	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
51 STEGEMAN,Mike	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
14 HOFFMAN,Ryan	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
42 DENLEY,Jonathan	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
86 HORTON,Jason	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
66 WIGGINS,Isaiah	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
43 WEBER,Jake	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
83 MORDIS,Dave	11	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
58 WHITAKER,Mark	10	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
82 KREGER,Kevin	11	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>855</b>	<b>92-297</b>	<b>30-153</b>	<b>10-87</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14-186</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.</b>
<b>Opponents.....</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>940</b>	<b>71.5-220</b>	<b>18-114</b>	<b>12-60</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6-0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>



## Iowa State 32, Illinois State 21

September 3, 2005 • Ames, Iowa • Jack Trice Stadium  
Attendance: 44,058

### ► GAME SUMMARY

#### *Birds Battle Cyclones to the End, but Fall Short*

AMES, Iowa – For the third straight year, the Illinois State football team played toe-to-toe with a Division I-A opponent, as they played even (15-15) with the Iowa State Cyclones for the first 44 minutes of the game in Ames, Iowa. However, the Cyclones put together second half drives of 80 and 72 yards to pull away from the Redbirds to win 32-21 at Jack Trice Stadium.



The first half was a defensive battle, as both teams scored points on defense. The Cyclones got on the scoreboard first after Illinois State's Ryan Hoffman punted the ball off Brent Hawkins' back in his own end zone, giving Iowa State a 2-0 lead with 2:49 left in the first quarter. The Redbird defense was not going to let the Iowa State defense have the only defensive score though, as senior William Rolle forced an Iowa State fumble and sophomore cornerback Jesse Caesar returned it 69 yards for a touchdown. Running back Pierre Rembert plunged over the goal line on the two-point conversion, giving the Redbirds an 8-2 lead going into the second quarter.

Iowa State answered quickly after a Luke Drone interception on the Illinois State 5-yard line, and running back Ryan Kock plunged over the goal line to knot the score at 8-8 going into the locker room at halftime.

The Cyclones opened the second half with a 10-play, 80-yard drive culminating with a second rushing touchdown from Kock to put the Redbirds down 15-8. However, Illinois State put together an 80-yard drive of its own on the next possession, capped off by a 56 yard touchdown pass from Drone to Laurent Robinson, tying the score at 15-15 at the 5:09 mark in the third quarter.

However, Iowa State's next possession put the Redbirds down for good. The Cyclones drove 72 yards in six plays, bringing the score to 22-15. The third Iowa State touchdown of the half brought the score to 29-15, when Drone connected with Robinson for 80 yards and his second touchdown catch of the day, bringing the score closer at 29-21. However, Iowa State added a field goal for good measure to bring the score to 32-21.

### ► SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (0-1)	8	0	7	6	21
Iowa State (1-0)	2	6	14	10	32

#### FIRST QUARTER

IAST – Team safety, 2:49

ILST – Caesar 69-yard fumble recovery (Rembert rush), :56

#### SECOND QUARTER

IAST – Kock 1-yard run (kick blocked), 12:51

#### THIRD QUARTER

IAST – Kock 1-yard run (Yelk kick), 9:20

ILST – Robinson 56-yard pass from Drone (Kelsey kick), 5:15

IAST – Hicks 17-yard run (Yelk kick), 3:25

#### FOURTH QUARTER

IAST – Blythe 4-yard pass from Meyer (Yelk kick), 9:34

ILST – Robinson 80-yard pass from Drone (kick blocked), 9:22

IAST – Yelk 25-yard field goal, 4:15

### ► TEAM STATISTICS

	ILST	IAST
First Downs	12	25
Rushing Attempts-Yards	34-89	41-92
Passing	10-25-2	30-41-0
Passing Yards	222	314
Total Offense	311	406
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	7-53	6-50
Time of Possession	25:56	34:34

### ► INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (ILST) – Thompson 17-60, Drone 10-38, Rembert 7(-9), (IAST) – Hicks 25-90, Meyer 12-4, Kock 2-2, Team 1(-2), Sumrall 1(-2).

**PASSING:** (ILST) – Drone 10-25-2-222. (IAST) – Meyer 30-41-0-314.

**RECEIVING:** (ILST) – Robinson 6-177, Thompson 1-23, Jackson 1-8, Horton 1-7, Denley 1-7. (IAST) – Flynn 7-64, Davis 6-53, Blythe 5-53, Sumrall 3-53, Nickel 3-38, Hicks 3(-1), Barkema 2-50, Moses 1-4.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILST) – Siskowic 9-5-14, Stewart 10-3-13, Barber 7-5-12, Temple 5-2-7, Hawkins 4-2-6. (IAST) – Robertson 4-2-6, Moorehead 5-0-5, Paris 4-1-5, Dobbins 3-2-5, Carper 3-2-5.

## Illinois State 56, Drake 19

September 10, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 8,188

### ► GAME SUMMARY

#### *Redbird Offense Puts a Leash on the Bulldogs, 56-19*

NORMAL, Ill. – The Illinois State offense put on a show in its first home game of the season, amassing 617 total yards of offense against Drake in front of 8,188 at Hancock Stadium Saturday night. The win was the fifth in a row for the Redbirds (1-1) over the Bulldogs (0-2).



Illinois State led at the half 29-19, with both teams scoring more points in the first half than they did in their first games of the year. Drake got on the scoreboard first with a 15-yard touchdown pass from Connor Jostes to Shea Moroni on its third possession of the game. However, the Redbirds blocked the ensuing extra point attempt and returned it 94 yards for the two-point conversion, making the score 6-2 with 8:05 left in the first quarter.

After trading scores throughout the first quarter and into the second, Illinois State broke the game open for good when quarterback Luke Drone connected with Laurent Robinson for an 88-yard touchdown pass in the second quarter, bringing the score to 26-12. However, Drake put together a two-play, 52-yard drive in 25 seconds to bring the score closer at 26-19.

Illinois State continued the scoring barrage in the second half, scoring four touchdowns while shutting out Drake. The first touchdown of the half came by way of Robinson's third touchdown catch of the day from Drone, bringing the score to 35-19. Jason Horton's second touchdown of the game was the Redbirds' second of the half and Rafael Rice added the third, the first rushing touchdown of his career. Freshman Ansu Kpandeyenge capped off the Redbird scoring with a 68-yard run in the fourth quarter, bringing the final score to 56-19.

### ► SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Drake (0-2)	12	7	0	0	19
ILLINOIS STATE (1-1)	9	20	13	14	56

#### FIRST QUARTER

DU – Moroni 15-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick blocked), 8:10

ILS – Barber PAT return, 8:10

ILS – Horton 13-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 4:35

DU – Marx 9-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick blocked), 1:14

#### SECOND QUARTER

ILS – Robinson 6-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 8:42

ILS – Mazur 34-yard field goal, 6:20

ILS – Robinson 88-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 3:41

DU – Marx 42-yard pass from Jostes (Horvath kick), 2:41

ILS – Mazur 34-yard field goal, :02

#### THIRD QUARTER

ILS – Robinson 4-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick failed), 7:31

ILS – Horton 25-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 2:43

#### FOURTH QUARTER

ILS – R. Rice 2-yard run (Mazur kick), 8:14

ILS – Kpandeyenge 68-yard run (Mazur kick), 1:13

### ► TEAM STATISTICS

	ILS	DU
First Downs	30	14
Rushing Attempts-Yards	47-273	38-108
Passing	24-38-1	13-26-2
Passing Yards	344	130
Total Offense	617	238
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	11-127	3-20
Time of Possession	34:10	25:50

### ► INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Thompson 18-72, Drone 4-14, Rembert 12-70, Kpandeyenge 1-68, R. Rice 11-53, Horton 1-3. (DU) – Phaydavong 16-55, Bialas 8-37, Goodwin 6-19, Cashmore 1-2, Cleveland 1(-2), Jostes 6(-3).

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 23-37-1-342, Brockway 1-1-0-2. (DU) – Jostes 13-24-1-130, Ingle 0-1-0-0, Retherford 0-1-0-0.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Robinson 9-161, Horton 5-51, Mordis 2-46, Jackson 2-24, Rembert 2-18, Passarelli, D. 1-13, Denley 1-12, Hayden 1-11, Thompson 1-6, Arndt 1-2. (DU) – Moroni 4-41, Putnam 4-18, Marx 2-51, Belleville 2-15, Bialas 1-5.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Siskowic 4-5-9, Barber 3-4-7, Nelson 4-2-6, Temple 3-3-6. (DU) – Ross 5-8-13, Adams 7-5-12, Green 6-2-8, Denison 5-3-8.

## Illinois State 27, Eastern Illinois 6

September 17, 2005 • Charleston, Ill. • O'Brien Stadium  
Attendance: 6,785

### ► GAME SUMMARY

#### *Team Effort Propels Redbirds to 27-6 Win Over Panthers*

CHARLESTON, Ill. – Illinois State head coach Denver Johnson watched his offense and defense both post touchdowns Saturday night, as the Redbirds defeated the Eastern Illinois Panthers 27-6 in front of 6,785 fans in Charleston, Ill. Illinois State (2-1) defeated the Panthers (1-2) for the second straight time in Charleston and notched their third-straight victory against the Panthers.



The Redbirds thrived on the legs of junior Pierre Rembert in the first half. The transfer from Michigan collected 102 yards on 23 carries and scored both of ISU's touchdowns in the half.

ISU scored on its second possession of the game, as Rembert racked up 37 yards on five carries during a seven-play drive that ended in an eight-yard touchdown run by Rembert. Kevin Mazur's extra point gave the Redbirds an early 7-0 lead with 8:05 left in the first quarter. Rembert added his second score on a six-yard touchdown run that capped off a 12 play, 72-yard drive for the Redbirds.

However, the Illinois State defense played a part in the successful first half also, limiting the Panthers to just 106 yards of total offense. The Panthers had chances to score however, but missed a field goal in each quarter of the first half.

Illinois State's final score of the night came by way of sophomore Kye Stewart's 42-yard yard fumble recovery in the fourth quarter. It was ISU's second fumble return for a touchdown on the season and its third defensive score in three games.

Rembert finished the night with a career high 112 yards on 29 carries. Sophomore quarterback Luke Drone also had a solid game, going 17-for-31 with 203 yards passing for the Redbirds.

### ► SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (2-1)	7	7	6	7	27
Eastern Illinois (1-2)	0	0	0	6	6

#### FIRST QUARTER

ILS – Rembert 8-yard run (Mazur kick), 8:05

#### SECOND QUARTER

ILS – Rembert 6-yard run (Mazur kick), 5:05

#### THIRD QUARTER

ILS – R. Rice 1-yard run (Cirafesi pass failed), 6:41

#### FOURTH QUARTER

ILS – Stewart 42-yard fumble recovery (Mazur kick), 8:22

EIU – Donato 6-yard run (Donato pass failed), 6:03

### ► TEAM STATISTICS

	ILS	EIU
First Downs	22	10
Rushing Attempts-Yards	56-178	27-74
Passing	17-31-1	16-35-2
Passing Yards	203	163
Total Offense	381	237
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	5-45	6-70
Time of Possession	37:10	22:50

### ► INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Rembert 29-112, R. Rice 13-36, Drone 9-19, Thompson 5-11. (EIU) – Bess 6-40, Smith 5-18, Webb 10-16, Parsill 1-7, Campione 1-0, Donato 4(-7).

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 17-31-1-203. (EIU) – Donato 15-32-2-162, Kniss 0-2-0-0, Schofield 1-1-0-1.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Mordis 4-62, Horton 3-37, Robinson 3-19, Jackson 2-26, Hayden 2-26, Denley 2-20, Rembert 1-13. (EIU) – Duhai 4-24, Owens 3-16, Blonn 3-15, Bess 2-49, Nozinor 2-30, Smith 1-23, Mobley 1-6.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Stewart 11-0-11, Siskowic 7-4-11, Campbell 6-4-10, Temple 5-2-7. (EIU) – Burge 9-8-17, Sellers 9-6-15, Cleveland 11-3-14, Thomas 7-5-12.

**Illinois State 42, Murray State 0**

September 24, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 7,233

**▶ GAME SUMMARY**

**Redbird Defense Corral Racers, 42-0**

**NORMAL, Ill.** – The Illinois State defense dominated the Murray State offense in the second home game of the season for the Redbirds, as the unit gave up just 63 yards rushing and 135 total yards on the night in a 42-0 shutout of the Racers. Illinois State (3-1) has now won three straight games after its season opening loss at Iowa State, while Murray State (1-2) heads into Ohio Valley Conference play with a losing record for the fourth straight season.

The ISU defense was the star of the first half, limiting Murray State to just 43 total yards of offense and 16 yards rushing. Brent Hawkins recorded two sacks for the Redbirds, with the first resulting in a Murray State fumble in the end zone that was recovered by ISU linebacker Niall Campbell for the touchdown. It was the third fumble recovery for a touchdown on the season for the Redbird defense.

After being pinned at its own one-yard line by Murray State punter Tim Wright, ISU drove 99 yards in 17 plays for the first score of the game. The drive concluded with a three-yard touchdown pass from Luke Drone to Kedric Meredith. The pass was Drone's eighth touchdown pass of the season and Meredith's first TD of his career as a Redbird.

Most of ISU's offensive production came by way of junior running back Pierre Rembert in the first half. Rembert rushed for 123 yards on 11 carries and two touchdowns in the half. The first came on an 11-yard romp in the first quarter, bringing the score to 14-0. The second score came via a 56-yard dash in the second quarter, the longest of Rembert's career, for his fourth touchdown of the season. The play capped off a three-play, 61-yard drive to give ISU a 21-0 lead with 5:27 left in the half.

Rembert rushed for 139 yards on 14 carries for two touchdowns for the 'Birds. It was his second straight game over 100 yards rushing and his second straight game with two rushing touchdowns. Hawkins led the Redbird defense with four tackles for loss, three forced fumbles and two sacks.

**▶ SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Murray State (1-2)	0	0	0	0	0
ILLINOIS STATE (3-1)	7	21	14	0	42

**FIRST QUARTER**

ILS – Meredith 3-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 2:05

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS – Rembert 11-yard run (Mazur kick), 11:21

ILS – Rembert 56-yard run (Mazur kick), 5:27

ILS – Campbell fumble recovery in the endzone (Mazur kick), 2:26

**THIRD QUARTER**

ILS – Thompson 14-yard run (Mazur kick), 8:04

ILS – R. Rice 11-yard run (Mazur kick), :26

**▶ TEAM STATISTICS**

	MSU	ISU
First Downs	12	23
Rushing Attempts-Yards	38-63	53-319
Passing	11-22-0	12-24-0
Passing Yards	72	150
Total Offense	135	469
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-45	10-93
Time of Possession	26:07	33:53

**▶ INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING: (ILS)** – Rembert 14-139, Thompson 15-74, Brockway 6-41, R. Rice 8-34, Kpandeyenge 5-17, Drone 5-14. **(MSU)** – Topps 9-22, Turner 17-18, Eiland 1-16, Wize 5-10, Cook 5-3, Salyer 1-(6).

**PASSING: (ILS)** – Drone 10-21-0-126, Brockway 2-3-0-24. **(MSU)** – Salyer 5-13-0-27, Topps 6-9-0-45.

**RECEIVING: (ILS)** – Robinson 2-37, Rourke 2-24, Kreger 2-16, Rembert 1-23, Borzick 1-19, Horton 1-14, Thompson 1-12, Meredith 1-3, Mordis 1-2. **(MSU)** – Rumley 3-26, Turner 3-15, Eiland 2-12, Marchman 1-14, Cook 1-6, Harper 1-(1).

**TACKLE LEADERS: (ILS)** – Siskowic 3-8-11, Hawkins 5-3-8, Hronec 3-4-7, Nelson 1-6-7. **(MSU)** – Williams 4-6-10, Ryan 2-8-10, Webber 4-5-9, Parrott 3-6-9.

**Youngstown St. 20, Illinois St. 17**

October 1, 2005 • Youngstown, Ohio • Stambaugh Stadium  
Attendance: 16,809

**▶ GAME SUMMARY**

**Second Half Turnovers Cost Redbirds**

**YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio** – The 2005 Gateway Football Conference season opener in Youngstown, Ohio, did not go exactly as planned for the Illinois State Redbirds, as uncharacteristic turnovers in the fourth quarter led to a 20-17 win for the Youngstown State Penguins in front of 16,809 at Stambaugh Stadium.

After stalling ISU's opening drive, Youngstown State went 80 yards on seven plays to open the scoring when Illinois transfer Marcus Mason went 26 yards off tackle for the touchdown. The two teams traded punts before the Redbirds knotted the game at 7-7, when Luke Drone kept the ball off the option and plunged into the end zone from two yards out with 1:30 left in the first quarter. Drone's touchdown capped ISU's 12-play, 80-yard scoring drive.

ISU's Garry Roberts snagged the first interception of his career when he hauled in a pass deflected by teammate Tom Nelson at the YSU 45-yard line. The Redbirds used the legs of Rafael Rice to get down to the Youngstown State 9-yard line on the first four plays of the drive. It appeared that Drone was going to score his second touchdown of the half, but an Illinois State holding penalty negated the score and ended the drive. Freshman Kevin Mazur split the uprights on a 24-yard field goal attempt to give the 'Birds a 10-7 advantage with 5:18 left in the half.

At the start of the third quarter, the two teams exchanged scoring drives, keeping the game close. YSU received the kickoff to open the half and drove 61 yards in 11 plays, culminating in a 21-yard touchdown pass from Tom Zetts to Kyle Smith, giving YSU its second lead of the night. However, ISU answered on its first drive of the half when Rice scored from 20 yards out, capping off an eight play, 79-yard drive, to make the score 17-14 with 6:23 left in the third.

The score remained 17-14, until a series of turnovers turned the tide in the fourth quarter, with YSU scoring twice on drives of less than 10 yards. After ISU recovered a YSU fumble on its own 10 yard line, the Penguins quickly answered with an interception off a tipped Drone pass. YSU converted that turnover into three points by way of a 26-yard field goal by Brian Palmer. After Drone's second interception in as many series, YSU took the lead 20-17 on a 21-yard field goal by Palmer.

**▶ SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (3-2)	7	3	7	0	17
Youngstown St. (4-1)	7	0	7	6	20

**FIRST QUARTER**

YSU – Mason 26-yard run (Palmer kick), 9:25

ILS – Drone 2-yard run (Mazur kick), 1:30

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS – Mazur 24-yard field goal, 5:18

**THIRD QUARTER**

YSU – Smith 21-yard pass from Zetts (Palmer kick), 9:38

ILS – R. Rice 20-yard run (Mazur kick), 6:23

**FOURTH QUARTER**

YSU – Palmer 26-yard field goal, 6:04

YSU – Palmer 21-yard field goal, 3:52

**▶ TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	YSU
First Downs	23	19
Rushing Attempts-Yards	46-227	43-140
Passing	17-27-4	13-26-2
Passing Yards	180	171
Total Offense	407	311
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	3-1
Penalties-Yards	7-48	2-10
Time of Possession	31:17	28:43

**▶ INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING: (ILS)** – Thompson 25-122, R. Rice 9-65, Horton 1-26, Rembert 6-11, Drone 5-3. **(YSU)** – Mason 27-126, Reams 4-8, Gibson 2-7, Zetts 5-4, Evans 1-3, Ison 1-1, Team 3-(9).

**PASSING: (ILS)** – Drone 17-27-4-180. **(YSU)** – Zetts 13-26-2-171.

**RECEIVING: (ILS)** – Robinson 8-76, Mordis 3-22, Jackson 2-33, Hayden 2-32, Thompson 1-14, Denley 1-3. **(YSU)** – Smith 7-97, Peterson 2-62, Marshall 1-14, Wright 1-6, Mason 1-(4), Reams 1-(4).

**TACKLE LEADERS: (ILS)** – Siskowic 4-13-17, Stewart 4-7-11, Campbell 3-6-9, Nelson 3-4-7. **(YSU)** – Terry 8-5-13, Jackson 7-4-11, Andrews 0-10-10, Perry 4-5-9.

**#3 WKU 37, Illinois St. 34 OT**

October 8, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 10,416

**▶ GAME SUMMARY**

**'Birds Drop Thriller to #3 Western Kentucky in OT**

**NORMAL, Ill.** – Chris James' 43-yard field goal in regulation and 33-yard field goal in overtime foiled Illinois State's chances to upset No. 3 Western Kentucky, as the Hilltoppers won 37-34 in a Gateway Football Conference game at Hancock Stadium.

Before a Homecoming crowd of 10,416, a 38-year Kevin Mazur field goal with 50 seconds left put ISU ahead 34-31, but Western Kentucky converted a James' field goal with no time remaining in regulation and held the 'Birds scoreless in overtime to set up James' game-winner.

The Hilltoppers recovered a Redbird fumble on the opening play from scrimmage and marched from the ISU 43 to the Redbird 19-yard line. But a WKU penalty and a Justin Martindale sack pushed the Toppers back and they had to settle for James' first field goal, a 45-yarder, with 11:15 left in the first quarter.

Brian Thompson's 35-yard kickoff return set up the responding drive by Illinois State, which covered 65 yards in 10 plays and was punctuated by Rafael Rice's five-yard run for the score with 6:49 left in the opening quarter. It was Rice's fifth straight game with a rushing touchdown. ISU led 7-3.

**▶ SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	OT	FINAL
Western Kentucky (4-1)	10	7	7	10	3	37
ILLINOIS STATE (3-3)	14	3	7	10	0	34

**FIRST QUARTER**

WKU – James 45-yard field goal, 11:15

ILS – R. Rice 5-yard run (Mazur kick), 6:49

ILS – Temple 56-yard fumble recovery (Mazur kick), 4:11

WKU – Hamilton 36-yard pass from Haddix (James kick), 1:14

**SECOND QUARTER**

WKU – Perkins 6-yard pass from Haddix (James kick), 8:36

ILS – Mazur 22-yard field goal, :21

**THIRD QUARTER**

WKU – Fitzgerald 13-yard run (James kick), 11:19

ILS – R. Rice 5-yard run (Mazur kick), :00

**FOURTH QUARTER**

WKU – Jackson 16-yard pass from Haddix (James kick)

ILS – Stewart 21-yard interception return (Mazur kick), 2:07

ILS – Mazur 38-yard field goal, :50

WKU – James 43-yard field goal, :00

**OVERTIME**

WKU – James 33-yard field goal

**▶ TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	WKU
First Downs	24	23
Rushing Attempts-Yards	45-183	51-242
Passing	26-34-1	16-24-1
Passing Yards	250	221
Total Offense	433	463
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	4-2
Penalties-Yards	4-52	5-34
Time of Possession	29:30	30:24

**▶ INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING: (WKU)** – Moore 32-190, Coolidge 5-20, Fitzgerald 2-17, Haddix 12-15. **(ILS)** – Thompson 12-79, R. Rice 18-69, Drone 7-22, Rembert 5-14.

**PASSING: (WKU)** – Haddix 16-24-1-221. **(ILS)** – Drone 26-32-1-250.

**RECEIVING: (WKU)** – Hamilton 4-77, Jackson 4-65, Perkins 4-41, Moore 1-19, Cassidy 1-13, Link 1-5, Fitzgerald 1-1. **(ILS)** – Robinson 12-126, Horton 6-36, Thompson 2-21, Denley 2-19, Hayden 2-13, Rembert 1-29, Jackson 1-6.

**TACKLE LEADERS: (WKU)** – Thomas 12-3-15, Rumph 6-7-13, Mitchell 8-4-12, Lewis 2-7-9. **(ILS)** – Siskowic 2-11-13, Hawkins 6-5-11, Nelson 3-7-10, Temple 6-3-9.



## Illinois State 61, #1 S. Illinois 35

October 15, 2005 • Carbondale, Ill. • McAndrew Stadium  
Attendance: 11,381

### GAME SUMMARY

#### Redbirds Rout No. 1 Southern Illinois, 61-35

CARBONDALE, Ill. – Illinois State dazed No. 1 Southern Illinois with a 21-point first quarter, but it was ISU's 27 unanswered point response Saturday night at McAndrew Stadium that put the Salukis on the canvas for a 61-35 defeat, as the Redbirds posted their first knockout of a ranked opponent in nine games and their first win over the nation's top team since 1993.



The 61 tallies marked the most points by the 'Birds against SIU in the 68-game history of the series and the highest point total by Illinois State in a Gateway game. It was also the most points surrendered by the Salukis since 1999 when Indiana State defeated SIU, 66-45.

Fueled by a Redbird forced turnover, the ISU offense came out firing. The 'Birds scored on their first three possessions and put points on the scoreboard in six of their seven first half possessions. ISU jumped out to a 7-0 lead after sophomore Jesse Caesar forced the Redbird defense's 17th turnover of the season when he jarred the ball loose from Brent Little and sophomore Kyle Stewart picked up the fumble, returning it 19 yards.

On the ensuing play, ISU's Luke Drone connected with Laurent Robinson in the middle of the field for a 23-yard gain. The catch gave Robinson 22 straight games with a catch, which is tied for the third longest string in ISU history. Brian Thompson finished the drive with a 2-yard touchdown run off the left end.

### SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (4-3)	21	17	17	6	61
Southern Illinois (4-2)	0	14	7	14	35

### FIRST QUARTER

- ILS – Thompson 1-yard run (Mazur kick), 11:51
- ILS – Jackson 6-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 8:52
- ILS – Thompson 8-yard run (Mazur kick), 2:38

### SECOND QUARTER

- SIU – Whitlock 1-yard run (Cairns rush failed), 12:43
- SIU – Little 25-yard pass from Sambursky (Sambursky rush), 9:03
- ILS – Mazur 20-yard field goal, 3:31
- ILS – Jackson 30-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 1:24
- ILS – Thompson 1-yard run (Mazur kick), :56

### THIRD QUARTER

- ILS – Thompson 30-yard run (Mazur kick), 12:10
- ILS – Mazur 27-yard field goal, 8:16
- SIU – Braden 4-yard pass from Sambursky (Coffin kick), 2:55
- ILS – Robinson 60-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), :09

### FOURTH QUARTER

- ILS – Rembert 8-yard run (kick failed), 9:30
- SIU – Hill 12-yard run (Coffin kick), 5:52
- SIU – Jackson 1-yard run (Coffin kick), 2:12

### TEAM STATISTICS

	ILS	SIU
First Downs	27	25
Rushing Attempts-Yards	41-275	36-158
Passing	23-29-0	24-39-1
Passing Yards	319	266
Total Offense	594	424
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	3-2
Penalties-Yards	10-114	9-62
Time of Possession	31:09	28:51

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Thompson 21-165, Rembert 12-87, Borzick 6-17, Drone 2-6. (SIU) – Whitlock 21-83, Hill 4-50, Sambursky 8-18, Jackson 3-7.

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 23-29-0-319. (SIU) – Sambursky 16-28-1-180, Hill 8-11-0-86.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Robinson 9-180, Jackson 5-70, Horton 3-12, Mordis 2-19, Thompson 1-22, Denley 1-12, Borzick 1-4, Kreger 1-0. (SIU) – Little 6-87, Allen 4-34, Jones 4-26, Kupec 2-26, Jackson 2-24, Whitlock 2-21, M. Turner 1-18, A. Turner 1-16, Beeler 1-9, Wise 1-5.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Stewart 8-3-11, Siskowic 6-4-10, Caesar 6-3-9, Nelson 4-2-6. (SIU) – Johnson 7-2-9, Rinella 4-3-7, Jordan 4-2-6, Williams 4-2-6.

## Illinois State 38, #13 UNI 3

October 22, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 12,626

### GAME SUMMARY

#### ISU Wins Second Straight, Defeats No. 13 UNI

NORMAL, Ill. – After shocking the Gateway Football Conference by defeating then No. 1-ranked Southern Illinois 61-35 in Carbondale, last week, the Illinois State Redbirds made it two straight against ranked opponents by defeating No. 13 Northern Iowa 38-3 at Hancock Stadium on Saturday. It was the first time the Redbirds had defeated two straight ranked opponents since 2002, and the 'Birds did so in front of the season's largest crowd of 12,626 fans on Family Day.



The ISU offense came out firing in the first quarter, much like they did against Southern Illinois. On the first play from scrimmage, Luke Drone connected with Laurent Robinson on a 36-yard pass play, putting the Panthers on the defensive early in the game. The 'Birds continued to march down the field, with Brian Thompson capping off the nine play, 80-yard drive, with a 9-yard run to give the Redbirds the early lead, 6-0. Kevin Mazur missed the extra point attempt to keep the score at 6-0.

Drone added his third touchdown pass of the day early in the fourth quarter to give ISU a 31-3 lead. The eight play, 72-yard drive, resulted in Robinson's second touchdown reception of the day. The Drone to Robinson connection succeeded again on the next ISU possession for Drone's fourth touchdown pass and Robinson's third touchdown catch of the day, bringing the score to 38-3 with 11:07 left in the fourth quarter.

Northern Iowa was not able to get anything going on offense all day, with the Redbird defense allowing the Panthers just three points and recording a season-high nine sacks. Buck Buchanan candidate Brent Hawkins paced the defense with five sacks, while Siskowic added 2.5 sacks of his own.

Drone finished the game 22-for-28 for 321 yards and four touchdowns. Robinson ended his career day with 243 yards on 10 catches and scored three touchdowns and a two-point conversion.

### SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Northern Iowa (4-3)	0	0	3	0	3
ILLINOIS STATE (5-3)	14	7	3	14	38

### FIRST QUARTER

- ILS – Thompson 9-yard run (Mazur kick failed), 11:23
- ILS – Borzick 4-yard pass from Drone (Robinson pass from Drone), 6:36

### SECOND QUARTER

- ILS – Robinson 46-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 10:09

### THIRD QUARTER

- UNI – Wingert 32-yard field goal, 12:27
- ILS – Mazur 21-yard field goal, 9:49

### FOURTH QUARTER

- ILS – Robinson 9-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 14:16
- ILS – Robinson 25-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 11:07

### TEAM STATISTICS

	UNI	ILS
First Downs	16	22
Rushing Attempts-Yards	35-81	41-104
Passing	20-29-1	22-28-0
Passing Yards	222	321
Total Offense	303	425
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	1-0
Penalties-Yards	7-58	3-14
Time of Possession	29:45	30:15

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – R. Rice 17-52, Thompson 6-25, Rembert 5-20, Borzick 2-5, Drone 6-4, Brockway 1-1, Horton 1-0, Kpandeyenge 3(-3). (UNI) – Hill 19-35, Freeney 9-26, Home 6-21.

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 22-28-0-321. (UNI) – Hill 20-29-1-222.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Robinson 10-243, Mordis 4-20, Horton 3-30, Jackson 2-20, Thompson 1-6, Borzick 1-4, R. Rice 1(-2). (UNI) – Lindgren 8-92, Goodwin 4-21, Cutright 3-71, Surrency 2-23, Bradley 1-8, Home 1-7, Freeney 1-0.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Siskowic 8-5-13, Stewart 8-2-10, Campbell 3-7-10, Hawkins 6-3-9. (UNI) – Varner 11-4-15, Koebocke 2-9-11, Schratz 6-2-8, Parsons 4-4-8.

## W. Illinois 31, #18 Illinois St. 17

October 29, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 9,007

### GAME SUMMARY

#### No. 18 'Birds Fall to Western Illinois

NORMAL, Ill. – Luke Drone hit Pierre Jackson with a pair of second-half touchdown passes for Illinois State, but it wasn't enough to catch up with a Western Illinois team that took a 21-3 lead at halftime and held on for a 31-17 win in a Gateway Conference football game Saturday at Hancock Stadium.



The Redbirds, 5-4 overall, 2-3 in the Gateway, played without No. 1 running back Brian Thompson, out with a season-ending knee injury, and No. 2 running back Pierre Rembert, who also has a knee injury. Averaging 206 yards per game previously, Illinois State gained just 40 yards in 36 attempts on the ground against WIU.

Western Illinois, 3-6, 1-4 in the Gateway, earned its first win against a ranked team in five tries this season as Travis Glasford gained 124 yards on 25 carries for the Leathernecks.

Quarterback Steve LaFalce picked up his own fumble to score the first Leatherneck touchdown with 10:02 left in the first quarter as WIU took the opening kickoff and drove 80 yards in 15 plays to take a 7-0 lead.

A picture-perfect, 46-yard Ryan Hoffman punt rolled out of bounds at the Leatherneck one-yard line late in the first quarter. Three plays later, a WIU punt put ISU on the Leatherneck 38. After a 21-yard drive, Kevin Mazur booted a 35-yard field goal to put ISU on the scoreboard with 11 seconds left in the first period.

Five minutes into the second quarter, another Hoffman punt put the Leathernecks on their own two-yard line, but LaFalce hit Marco Thomas in stride for a 98-yard touchdown pass, breaking a 20-year-old Hancock Stadium record for longest pass completion. That play was Steve Stull to Tim Turner for 92 yards in a Redbird win over Indiana State.

WIU led 14-3 with 9:26 left in the second quarter. LaFalce hit Glasford with a 19-yard touchdown pass capping a six-play, 86-yard drive to give WIU a 21-3 lead at halftime, the largest Redbird deficit of the season.

### SCORING SUMMARY

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Western Illinois (3-6)	7	14	3	7	31
ILLINOIS STATE (5-4)	3	0	7	7	17

### FIRST QUARTER

- WIU – LaFalce 2-yard run (Rowan kick), 10:02
- ILS – Mazur 35-yard field goal, :11

### SECOND QUARTER

- WIU – Thomas 98-yard pass from LaFalce (Rowan kick), 9:26
- WIU – Glasford 19-yard pass from LaFalce (Rowan kick), :33

### THIRD QUARTER

- ILS – Jackson 10-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 6:43
- WIU – Rowan 41-yard field goal, 3:11

### FOURTH QUARTER

- WIU – Milton 21-yard run (Rowan kick), 9:23
- ILS – Jackson 55-yard pass from Drone, 8:09

### TEAM STATISTICS

	WIU	ILS
First Downs	22	19
Rushing Attempts-Yards	47-224	36-40
Passing	15-23-1	24-41-1
Passing Yards	280	300
Total Offense	504	340
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	7-55	7-50
Time of Possession	28:48	31:12

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

**RUSHING:** (WIU) – Glasford 25-124, LaFalce 10-51, Milton 9-49, Douglas 1-3, Team 2(-3). (ILS) – C. Rice 15-52, R. Rice 11-22, Drone 10(-34).

**PASSING:** (WIU) – LaFalce 15-23-1-280. (ILS) – Drone 24-41-1-300.

**RECEIVING:** (WIU) – Gray 4-54, Thomas 3-129, Glasford 3-37, Moore 2-38, Sims 2-19, Douglas 1-3. (ILS) – Horton 6-86, Robinson 6-84, Jackson 5-71, R. Rice 2-21, Hayden 2-15, Mordis 1-14, Borzick 1-8, Denley 1-1.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (WIU) – Bailey 9-3-12, Green 4-5-9, Lukabo 7-1-8, Tompo 7-0-7. (ILS) – Campbell 5-5-10, Barber 9-0-9, Siskowic 1-8-9, Hawkins 4-4-8.



**Illinois State 48, Missouri St. 23**

November 5, 2005 • Springfield, Mo. • Plaster Field  
Attendance: 7,155

► **GAME SUMMARY**

**Rembert, Redbirds Run Through Bears**

SPRINGFIELD, Mo. – Tailback Pierre Rembert returned to the Illinois State lineup and ran up, down and through the Missouri State defense, as the junior racked up a school and Plaster Field record 272 rushing yards and scored six of ISU's seven touchdowns to lead the Redbirds to a 48-23 Gateway Football Conference victory.

In addition to Rembert breaking the school record for rushing yards in a game, he also tied the ISU record for rushing touchdowns in a game with six, equalling Ron Bell's effort against Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Nov. 21, 1970. Rembert's six touchdowns also tied the conference record and is the most in a game between league teams.

Rembert's rushing attack wasn't the only record setter for the Redbirds, as Buck Buchanan Award candidate Brent Hawkins notched his 16th sack of the season in the first quarter to give him sole possession of the conference record for quarterback sacks.

Three second-quarter touchdowns by Rembert gave the Redbirds a 20-10 halftime advantage. Rembert, who missed last week's game against Western Illinois with a sprained knee, pounded out 127 first half rushing yards for his third 100-yard game this season and the first since Murray State.

After a first quarter 36-yard field goal by Jon Scifres, the Redbirds took their first lead of the game when Rembert scored from six yards out to cap a 12-play, 92-yard scoring drive. Freshman placekicker Kevin Mazur pushed the PAT wide left and the Redbirds led 6-3 with 10:12 left in the half.

Rembert added two more touchdown runs in the third quarter and scored his sixth of the game in the fourth to give the Redbirds 35 unanswered points.



► **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
ILLINOIS STATE (6-4)	0	20	14	14	48
Southern Illinois (4-5)	3	7	0	13	23

**FIRST QUARTER**

MSU – Scifres 36-yard field goal, 11:00

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS – Rembert 6-yard run (kick failed), 10:12  
MSU – Cooper 1-yard run (Scifres kick), 7:53  
ILS – Rembert 2-yard run (Mazur kick), 4:33  
ILS – Rembert 2-yard run (Mazur kick), :50

**THIRD QUARTER**

ILS – Rembert 51-yard run (Mazur kick), 10:48  
ILS – Rembert 22-yard run (Mazur kick), 5:39

**FOURTH QUARTER**

ILS – Rembert 6-yard run (Mazur kick), 12:23  
MSU – von Haas 18-yard pass from Porter (Scifres kick), 9:09  
ILS – C. Rice 2-yard run (Mazur kick), 4:21  
MSU – Sparks 5-yard pass from Porter (kick failed), 1:18

► **TEAM STATISTICS**

	ILS	MSU
First Downs	34	21
Rushing Attempts-Yards	52-341	36-230
Passing	18-28-1	20-32-0
Passing Yards	227	208
Total Offense	568	438
Fumbles-Lost	1-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-30	6-56
Time of Possession	33:00	27:00

► **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (ILS) – Rembert 34-272, C. Rice 12-62, Drone 6-7. (MSU) – Baker 13-105, Ikner 5-65, Porter 6-41, McIntosh 2-12, Taylor 1-5, Cooper 5-4, Green 1-1, Carroll 3(-3).

**PASSING:** (ILS) – Drone 18-28-1-227. (MSU) – Porter 10-17-0-109, Carroll 10-15-0-99.

**RECEIVING:** (ILS) – Robinson 7-70, Rembert 2-42, Horton 2-38, Jackson 2-20, C. Rice 1-25, Meredith 1-13, Borzick 1-8, Denley 1-6, Mordis 1-5. (MSU) – Sparks 8-74, Nealy 6-43, Hall 2-33, Ikner 1-29, von Haas 1-18, Nicholson 1-6, Farris 1-5.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (ILS) – Stewart 5-5-10, Caesar 5-5-10, Siskowic 3-5-8, Temple 4-2-6. (MSU) – Radon 4-10-14, Anthony 4-4-8, Byrd 3-4-7, Harmon 2-5-7.

**Illinois State 70, Indiana St. 28**

November 12, 2005 • Normal, Ill. • Hancock Stadium  
Attendance: 7,034

► **GAME SUMMARY**

**Redbirds Roll Over Indiana State, 70-28**

NORMAL, Ill. – Sophomore quarterback Luke Drone passed for five touchdowns, including three to junior Laurent Robinson, and rushed for another to lead Illinois State to a 70-28 rout of Indiana State in a Gateway Football Conference game Saturday at Hancock Stadium.

Freshman running back Cortes Rice rushed for 121 yards and three touchdowns to help balance a Redbird attack which featured 440 yards passing by Drone and a Gateway Football Conference record 292 yards receiving by Robinson, who caught 14 passes to tie the Redbird single-game record.

The Redbirds, who piled-up 406 of their 708 yards of total offense while compiling a 42-14 halftime lead, finished the regular season 7-4, 4-3 in the Gateway Football Conference. With several games impacting other NCAA Division I-AA playoff hopefuls in the next two weeks, Illinois State is looking for its first playoff appearance since 1999. The teams combined for 1,023 total yards.



► **SCORING SUMMARY**

SCOREBOARD	1	2	3	4	FINAL
Indiana State (0-11)	7	7	0	14	28
ILLINOIS STATE (7-4)	21	21	14	14	70

**FIRST QUARTER**

INS – Forte 9-yard run (Hooper kick), 12:40  
ILS – Robinson 48-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 10:16  
ILS – Jackson 51-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 5:31  
ILS – Robinson 18-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 2:36

**SECOND QUARTER**

ILS – Drone 9-yard run (Mazur kick), 13:51  
ILS – Rembert 11-yard run (Mazur kick), 6:19  
INS – Forte 17-yard run (Hooper kick), 4:07  
ILS – Horton 14-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 1:33

**THIRD QUARTER**

ILS – C. Rice 1-yard run (Mazur kick), 7:09  
ILS – C. Rice 1-yard run (Mazur kick), :32

**FOURTH QUARTER**

ILS – C. Rice 4-yard run (Mazur kick), 11:52  
ILS – Robinson 49-yard pass from Drone (Mazur kick), 10:00  
INS – Logan 4-yard pass from Baggett (Hooper kick), 6:01  
INS – Forte 6-yard run (Hooper kick), :28

► **TEAM STATISTICS**

	INS	ILS
First Downs	21	35
Rushing Attempts-Yards	42-216	46-268
Passing	18-37-0	24-33-1
Passing Yards	99	440
Total Offense	315	708
Fumbles-Lost	3-1	1-1
Penalties-Yards	4-21	10-80
Time of Possession	32:07	27:53

► **INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**RUSHING:** (INS) – Forte 26-142, Baggett 10-64, Johnson 4-6, Berman 2-4. (ILS) – C. Rice 18-121, Rembert 21-85, Drone 6-35, Jackson 1-27.

**PASSING:** (INS) – Baggett 15-33-0-85, Johnson 3-4-0-14. (ILS) – Drone 24-33-1-440.

**RECEIVING:** (INS) – Berman 5-57, Petrowski 5-4, Logan 4(-1), Forte 2-28, Schmidt 1-11, Hutcherson 1-0. (ILS) – Robinson 14-292, Jackson 4-84, Hayden 2-21, Horton 1-14, Rembert 1-13, Mordis 1-9, C. Rice 1-7.

**TACKLE LEADERS:** (INS) – Jordan 8-2-10, Jackson 8-1-9, Monroe 6-1-7, Archie 4-1-5. (ILS) – Siskowic 10-7-17, Passarelli 8-4-12, Hawkins 6-0-6, Temple 4-0-4.

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