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2010 NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL GAME NOTES

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Game #6
Notre Dame (2-3) vs. Pittsburgh (2-2)



DATE

► Saturday, October 9, 2010

TIME

► 3:40 p.m. ET

SITE (CAPACITY)

► Notre Dame Stadium (80,795); Notre Dame, Ind.

TELEVISION

► NBC national telecast with Tom Hammond (play-by-play), Mike Mayock (analysis), Alex Flanagan (sideline), Rob Hyland (producer) and David Michaels (director).

RADIO

► ISP Sports is the exclusive national rights-holder for Irish football radio broadcasts. ISP manages, produces and syndicates the Irish national football radio network. Notre Dame games will be broadcast by Don Criqui (play-by-play) and former Irish great Allen Pinkett (analysis). This broadcast can be heard live on SIRIUS Satellite Radio (channel 159) and XM Satellite Radio (channel 117).

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

TICKETS

► Saturday is the 216th consecutive sellout at Notre Dame Stadium. Since 1966, every home football game for the Irish has been a sellout except one – a 1973 Thanksgiving Day game vs. Air Force. Notre Dame has now played in front of sellouts in 264 of its last 265 home games.

WEB SITES

► Notre Dame (UND.com), Pittsburgh (PittsburghPanthers.com)

REAL-TIME STATS

► Live in-game statistics will be provided through CBS College Sports Gametracker via each school's respective official athletic website.

POLLS

► Notre Dame and Pittsburgh each enter this weekend's matchup unranked.

SERIES INFO

► This year's matchup will mark the 66th meeting between Notre Dame and Pittsburgh, with the Irish holding a 44-20-1 series lead. The Irish own a 19-10 record against the Panthers at Notre Dame Stadium, but Notre Dame has dropped 41-38 and 36-33 decisions to Pittsburgh on last-second field goals in the last two home meetings (more on the series history on pages 30-35).

WHAT TO WATCH FOR SATURDAY

► Notre Dame head coach Brian Kelly and the rest of the Irish sideline will be wearing the adidas® Breast Cancer Collection, a line of apparel and headwear created to support October's National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Notre Dame players will also wear pink arm and/or wrist bands.

Countdown To Kickoff

- 10** Notre Dame's defense has allowed only one rush of longer than 10 yards over its last two games after surrendering 21 such carries in the first three games of the 2010 season.
- 9** The first-team defense of the Fighting Irish forced nine 3 and Outs at Boston College.
- 8** According to this week's Sagarin Ratings, Notre Dame's schedule ranks as the eighth toughest in the Football Bowl Subdivision. Based on past opposition in this week's NCAA schedule rankings, only eight schools have played more challenging competition than the Irish.
- 7** The Irish offense was a perfect seven for seven on third downs in the four drives that produced touchdowns at Boston College.
- 6** Notre Dame's defense has stiffened when opposing teams have entered the red zone. Of 15 trips opponents have made inside the Irish 20 yard line, only six have resulted in touchdowns.
- 5** The Irish stymied Boston College's rushing efforts last week, limiting the Eagles to only five net rushing yards. That represented the fewest rushing yards allowed by a Notre Dame defense since Nov. 26, 2005 (Stanford, minus-11 rushing yards).
- 4** Junior TE **Kyle Rudolph** ranks as one of the most productive tight ends in Notre Dame history. He ranks fourth in career receptions and career receiving yards by an Irish tight end.
- 3** Sophomore P **Ben Turk** has had only three of 29 punts returned this year. Only three FBS teams have had fewer punts returned against them this year (Minnesota and Nevada, 1; Penn State, 2).
- 2** Sophomore LB **Manti Te'o** is tied for second nationally in tackles per game, averaging 12.8 stops per contest. His 64 tackles is only bettered nationally by Marshall's Mario Harvey (65 tackles).
- 1** Senior PK **David Ruffer** is tied for first in one field goal school record and one field goal conversion shy of another school record. Ruffer's 13 consecutive made field goals to start his career is tied with Mike Johnston's school record. Ruffer's 13 straight conversions is one shy of Nick Tausch's school record of 14 consecutive made field goals.
- 0** Notre Dame's defense did not allow a point in the second half at Boston College. It was the first time an Irish defense shut out an opponent for a half on the road since Notre Dame blanked Washington in the first half at Husky Stadium on Oct. 25, 2008.

2010 Notre Dame Schedule

Sept. 4	Purdue (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	W, 23-12
Sept. 11	Michigan (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	L, 24-28
Sept. 18	at Michigan State (ABC)	East Lansing, Mich.	L, 31-34 (ot)
Sept. 25	No. 16 Stanford (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	L, 14-37
Oct. 2	at Boston College (ABC)	Chestnut Hill, Mass.	W, 31-13
Oct. 9	Pittsburgh (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	3:30 p.m. ET
Oct. 16	Western Michigan (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	2:30 p.m. ET
Oct. 23	vs. Navy (CBS)	East Rutherford, N.J. (New Meadowlands)	12:00 p.m. ET
Oct. 30	Tulsa (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	2:30 p.m. ET
Nov. 13	Utah (NBC)	Notre Dame, Ind.	2:30 p.m. ET
Nov. 20	vs. Army (NBC)	New York, N.Y. (Yankee Stadium)	7:00 p.m. ET
Nov. 27	at USC (ABC/ESPN/ESPN2)	Los Angeles, Calif.	5:00 p.m. PT

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Notre Dame
Probable Starting Lineup

OFFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
WR	7	TJ Jones – Fr.	First freshman WR in Notre Dame history to catch TD passes in first two games of season
WR	6	Theo Riddick – So.	Registered breakout game against Michigan State with 10 catches, 128 yards and one TD
LT	70	Zack Martin – So.	Did not play in 2009; has started each of the last five weeks
LG	59	Chris Stewart – Sr.	ND law student has made 27 career starts, the most of any current Irish offensive player
OC	52	Braxton Cave – Jr.	Has played in 18 career games, all 12 in 2009, and started each of the last five weeks
RG	78	Trevor Robinson – Jr.	Has played in 27 career games and made 19 starts, including 11 in 2009 at RG
RT	75	Taylor Dever – Sr.	Has played in 23 career games, all as a backup before starting each of the last five weeks
TE	9	Kyle Rudolph – Jr.	Set tight end school record with 164 yards receiving against Michigan
WR	3	Michael Floyd – Jr.	Ranks in the top 10 among all active WR in rec. yds/gm, catches/gm, yds/catch and rec. TDs
QB	10	Dayne Crist – Jr.	Has thrown for more yards (1,358) in first five career starts than any QB in school history
RB	5	Armando Allen Jr. – Sr.	Has started 24 career games; gained 2,022 yards on 442 carries with eight rushing TDs

DEFENSE

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
DE	90	Ethan Johnson – Jr.	Picked up three tackles, two tackles for loss and two sacks in season opener against Purdue
NG	95	Ian Williams – Sr.	Recorded eight tackles, shared a sack and picked up a QB hurry at Michigan State
DE	89	Kapron Lewis-Moore – Jr.	Recorded six tackles against both Michigan and Stanford
OLB	45	Darius Fleming – Jr.	Registered six tackles and two sacks at Michigan State
ILB	44	Carlo Calabrese – So.	Second on the Irish with 37 tackles, including 10 stops and 3.5 TFLs at Boston College
ILB	5	Manti Te'o – So.	Ranks tied for second in the FBS with 64 tackles, including career-best 21 against Stanford
OLB	56	Kerry Neal – Sr.	One of only two seniors (Ian Williams) to have appeared in every game of their ND career
CB	2	Darrin Walls – Sr.	Started 26 of 37 career games; ranks t-7th all-time in career pass break-ups (19)
S	22	Harrison Smith – Sr.	Versatile player has started at LB and S; registered double digit tackles vs. MSU and Stanford
S	26	Jamoris Slaughter – Jr.	Recorded career-high seven tackles and first interception against Stanford
CB	4	Gary Gray – Sr.	Team-high tying nine tackles, career-best, one for loss and pass break-up against Purdue

SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
PK/KO	97	David Ruffer – Sr.	Converted all eight FGs this season, including career-long of 46 yards; 13 for 13 in career FGs
P	35	Ben Turk – So.	Four punts inside the 20-yd line against Michigan; 26 of 29 punts unreturned this season
H	50	Ryan Kavanagh – Jr.	Executed all 22 hold attempts perfectly this season
LSNP	60	Jordan Cowart – So.	Serves as snapper on punts
SSNP	62	Bill Flavin – Sr.	Serves as snapper on field goals
PR	81	John Goodman – Jr.	Avg. 8.8 yds/return on nine career punt returns
	86	Bennett Jackson – Fr.	Registered four kickoff returns for 111 yards, including career-best 43 yarder at Boston College
KR	20	Cierre Wood – So.	Recorded two kickoff returns for 50 yards, including a 38-yarder against Purdue
	6	Theo Riddick – So.	Avg. 22.9 yds/return on 37 career kick returns, all in 2009 (single-season school record)

KEY PROBABLE NON-STARTERS

Pos.	No.	Player	Notes
WR	18	Duval Kamara – Sr.	Registered 76 career receptions for 793 yards and six touchdowns
WR	81	John Goodman – Jr.	Saw first significant action of 2010 against Stanford; five catches for 59 yards
WR	19	Robby Toma – So.	Saw action in three games in '09; recorded three receptions for 21 yards
LT	77	Matt Romine – Sr.	Has played in 15 career games, without a start, including eight of 12 in 2009
C/G	51	Dan Wenger – Sr.	Started three games at RG in '07 before starting final two games of '07 and all 13 in '08 at C
OG	66	Chris Watt – So.	Did not see action as a freshman in 2009, but has played each of last five weeks
OT	76	Andrew Nuss – Sr.	Has played in 15 career games as reserve OL and on special teams
TE	83	Mike Ragone – Sr.	Appeared in 27 career games, started seven; seven career receptions for 67 yards
TE	80	Tyler Eifert – So.	Played in '09 season opener but missed rest of year (back injury); 17-yd catch against Michigan
QB	13	Tommy Rees – Fr.	Made first career appearance against Michigan; attempted two passes with one interception
QB	16	Nate Montana – Jr.	Made first career appearance against Michigan; 8-of-17 for 104 yards and one interception
HB	20	Cierre Wood – So.	In first career appearance posted 122 all-purpose yards (58 rush, 14 rcv, 50 KR) against Purdue
HB	25	Jonas Gray – Jr.	Powerful, quick running back rushed for 119 yards on 34 carries in 2009
HB	33	Robert Hughes – Sr.	Posted 1,104 career yards on 257 carries and 13 TDs; recorded a pair of 100-yd games in '07
DE	94	Hafis Williams – Jr.	Did not see any action in '08, but has played in 11 games as a reserve in '09 and '10
NG	98	Sean Cwynar – Jr.	Did not see any action in '08, but made career-high five tackles at Michigan State
DE	91	Emeka Nwankwo	Did not see any action in '09, but made two tackles as a reserve in seven games in '08
ILB	54	Anthony McDonald – Jr.	Only three players made more special-teams appearances in '09
OLB	58	Brian Smith – Sr.	Made six tackles, four solo, off the bench at Michigan State
S	17	Zeke Motta – So.	Made second career start against Michigan State; registered 11 tackles and interception
PK	40	Nick Tausch – So.	Converted 14 straight FG in 2009 to break Mike Johnson's school record of 13 (1982)

ON THIS DATE

► Notre Dame has played 14 previous games in its history on Oct. 9. The Irish are 13-0-1 all-time on this date. The Irish were ranked in the top 25 on seven of the occasions and played a top 25 opponent twice.

2004	W	Stanford	23-15	H
1999	W	Arizona State	48-17	H
1993	W	(4) Pittsburgh	44-0	H
1982	W	(10) Miami (Fla.) (17) (0:11)	16-14	H
1971	W	(7) Miami (Fla.) (NT)	17-0	A
1965	W	(7) Army (NT)	17-0	N
1954	W	(8) Pittsburgh	33-0	A
1948	W	(1) Michigan State	26-7	H
1943	W	(1) Michigan (2)	35-12	A
1937	T	Illinois	0-0	A
1926	W	Minnesota	20-7	A
1920	W	Western Michigan	41-0	H
1915	W	Haskell	34-0	H
1909	W	Olivet	58-0	H

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. NT indicates game was played at night. 0:00 indicates time remaining when winning points were scored.

Oct. 2, 1982: Mike Johnston's 32-yard field goal with 11 seconds to go lifts 10th-ranked Notre Dame over 17th-ranked Miami, 16-14.

Oct. 9, 1943: In one of the greatest victories of the Frank Leahy era, the top-ranked Fighting Irish played their first game at mammoth Michigan Stadium and destroyed the second-ranked Wolverines 35-12. Behind the passing of Angelo Bertelli and the running of halfback Creighton Miller, Notre Dame rolls up the most points a Fritz Crisler-coached team would ever allow. On defense, the Irish devised a scheme to stop Michigan's tricky single-wing attack. "We had a tackle look for one of the faking backs, and he'd hit the hell out of him whether he had the ball or not," line coach Moose Krause would recall.

HOW DO THEY STACK UP?**Average weight of the offensive and defensive lines:**

Notre Dame OL 306.8 lbs. vs. Pittsburgh DL 270.0 lbs.

Notre Dame DL 291.0 lbs. vs. Pittsburgh OL 299.0 lbs.

Average height of the receivers and the secondaries:

Notre Dame WR/TE 6' 1 3/4" vs. Pittsburgh DB 5' 11 1/4"

Notre Dame DB 6' 0 1/4" vs. Pittsburgh WR/TE 6' 5"

HISTORIC NOTRE DAME STADIUM

► The 2010 football season marks the 80th year of Irish football in fabled Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish have played 415 games in the facility to date and own a 307-103-5 (.746) record in the "House that Rockne Built." The most wins in a season by the Irish at home is seven by the 1988 national championship team and the longest home winning streak in Notre Dame football history is 28 games (from 11/21/42 through 9/30/50).

NOTRE DAME IN OCTOBER

► Notre Dame is 371-89-8 (.801) all-time in October.

► The Irish are 228-47-4 (.824) in October home games.

► Notre Dame is 107-36-3 (.743) in road games during October.

► The Irish are 36-6-1 (.849) in October neutral games.

► Notre Dame is 24-6 (.800) overall and 12-3 (.800) at Notre Dame Stadium all-time against Pittsburgh in October.

A WIN THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Give the Irish a record of 3-3 for the first time since 2001.
- ▶ Give Notre Dame its first victory over Pittsburgh since 2005.
- ▶ Give the Irish their first victory over Pittsburgh at Notre Dame Stadium since 2002.
- ▶ Snap the Panthers two-game winning streak in the series overall and two-game winning streak at Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 45-20-1 (.689) in the all-time series with Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Improve the Irish to 20-10 (.667) in the all-time series with the Panthers in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 57-24-1 (.701) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference.
- ▶ Improve the Irish to 27-12 (.692) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference in home games.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame to 26-12 (.684) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Notre Dame squad (post 1932) to 11-8 (.579) all-time against Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Irish squad (post 1932) to 5-4 (.556) all-time against the Panthers in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Notre Dame squad (post 1932) to 7-4 (.636) all-time against an unranked Pittsburgh squad.
- ▶ Improve an unranked Irish squad (post 1932) to 4-2 (.667) all-time against an unranked Panthers squad in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Improve Kelly's record to 174-60-2 (.742) overall, 56-25 (.691) at the FBS level and 36-9 (.800) over the last four seasons.
- ▶ Improve Kelly's record to 18-4 (.818) all-time against BIG EAST Conference opponents.
- ▶ Extend Kelly's personal winning streak against BIG EAST Conference foes to 13.
- ▶ Improve Kelly's record to 3-1 (.750) all-time against Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record to 840-293-42 (.733).
- ▶ Improve the all-time home record for the Irish to 455-115-13 (.792).
- ▶ Improve Notre Dame's all-time record at Notre Dame Stadium to 308-103-5 (.746).

A LOSS THIS WEEK WOULD...

- ▶ Give the Irish a record of 2-4 for the first time since 2003.
- ▶ Deny Notre Dame its first victory over Pittsburgh since 2005.
- ▶ Deny the Irish their first victory over Pittsburgh at Notre Dame Stadium since 2002.
- ▶ Extend the Panthers winning streak in the series overall and at Notre Dame Stadium to three games.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 44-21-1 (.674) in the all-time series with Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Drop the Irish to 19-11 (.633) in the all-time series with the Panthers in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 56-25-1 (.689) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference.
- ▶ Drop the Irish to 26-13 (.667) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference in home games.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame to 25-13 (.658) all-time against the BIG EAST Conference in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Notre Dame squad (post 1932) to 10-9 (.526) all-time against Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Irish squad (post 1932) to 4-5 (.444) all-time against the Panthers in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Notre Dame squad (post 1932) to 6-5 (.545) all-time against an unranked Pittsburgh squad.
- ▶ Drop an unranked Irish squad (post 1932) to 3-3 (.500) all-time against an unranked Panthers squad in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Drop Kelly's record to 173-61-2 (.737) overall, 55-26 (.679) at the FBS level and 35-10 (.778) over the last four seasons.
- ▶ Drop Kelly's record to 17-5 (.773) all-time against BIG EAST Conference opponents.
- ▶ Snap Kelly's personal winning streak against BIG EAST Conference foes at 12.
- ▶ Give Kelly a defeat against a BIG EAST Conference opponent for the first time since Oct. 25, 2008.
- ▶ Drop Kelly's record to 2-2 (.500) all-time against Pittsburgh.
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record to 839-294-42 (.732).
- ▶ Drop the all-time home record for the Irish to 454-116-13 (.790).
- ▶ Drop Notre Dame's all-time record at Notre Dame Stadium to 307-104-5 (.744).

Notre Dame Coaching Staff Locations



Brian Kelly
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Tony Alford
Sidelines



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Chuck Martin
Sidelines



Ed Warinner
Sidelines



Jon Carpenter
Press Box



Michael Painter
Press Box

National Rankings

ASSOCIATED PRESS (Oct. 3)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Alabama (58)	5-0	1497
2.	Ohio State (1)	5-0	1401
3.	Oregon	5-0	1379
4.	Boise State (1)	4-0	1341
5.	TCU	5-0	1250
6.	Oklahoma	5-0	1183
7.	Nebraska	4-0	1172
8.	Auburn	5-0	1045
9.	Arizona	4-0	898
10.	Utah	4-0	860
11.	Arkansas	3-1	825
12.	LSU	5-0	819
13.	Miami (FL)	3-1	769
14.	Florida	4-1	681
15.	Iowa	4-1	670
16.	Stanford	4-1	663
17.	Michigan State	5-0	607
18.	Michigan	5-0	555
19.	South Carolina	3-1	450
20.	Wisconsin	4-1	316
21.	Nevada	5-0	286
22.	Oklahoma State	4-0	173
23.	Florida State	4-1	162
24.	Missouri	4-0	99
25.	Air Force	4-1	94

Others Receiving Votes

West Virginia 83, Kansas State 69, **USC** 52, Texas 33, Northwestern 25, Oregon State 12, Baylor 10, UCLA 8, Virginia Tech 8, North Carolina State 4, Penn State 1.

USA TODAY/COACHES (Oct. 3)

Rk	School	Record	Pts
1.	Alabama (57)	5-0	1449
2.	Ohio State (1)	5-0	1377
3.	Oregon	5-0	1300
4.	Boise State	4-0	1276
5.	TCU	5-0	1187
6.	Nebraska	4-0	1176
7.	Oklahoma	5-0	1132
8.	Auburn	5-0	988
9.	LSU	5-0	930
10.	Utah	4-0	868
11.	Arizona	4-0	835
12.	Florida	4-1	705
13.	Arkansas	3-1	683
14.	Miami (FL)	3-1	679
15.	Iowa	4-1	643
16.	Michigan State	5-0	625
17.	Michigan	5-0	541
18.	Stanford	4-1	448
19.	Wisconsin	4-1	414
20.	South Carolina	3-1	345
21.	Oklahoma State	4-0	299
22.	Missouri	4-0	271
23.	Nevada	5-0	201
24.	Florida State	4-1	164
25.	Northwestern	5-0	67

Others Receiving Votes

Texas 61, Air Force 44, West Virginia 40, Kansas State 31, Penn State 30, North Carolina State 13, Virginia Tech 10, Houston 8, Mississippi State 5, Oregon State 2, Temple 1, Baylor 1, UCLA 1.

2010 opponents in **bold**

Starter Sheet

Offense	2010	Streak	Career
Rudolph (TE)	5	5	27
Stewart (LG)	5	19	27
Allen Jr. (RB)	5	5	24
Floyd (WR)	5	9	22
Kamara (WR)	-	-	20
Wenger (C)	-	-	19
Robinson (RG)	5	8	19
Ragone (TE)	-	-	7
Hughes (RB)	-	-	6
Riddick (WR)	5	6	6
Cave (C)	5	5	5
Martin (LT)	5	5	5
Dever (RT)	5	5	5
Crist (QB)	5	5	5
Jones (WR)	3	-	3
Burger (TE)	-	-	2
Goodman (WR)	1	1	2
Eifert (TE)	1	-	1
Gray (RB)	-	-	1

Defense	2010	Streak	Career
Neal (OLB)	5	5	26
Walls (DB)	5	8	26
Smith, H. (S)	5	17	26
Smith, B. (OLB)	-	-	24
Williams (NT)	5	6	23
Johnson (DE)	5	8	20
Fleming (OLB)	5	5	15
Te'o (ILB)	5	14	15
Lewis-Moore (DE)	5	14	14
Blanton (CB)	-	-	12
Gray (DB)	5	12	12
Calabrese (ILB)	5	5	5
Slaughter (S)	3	2	4
Motta (S)	2	-	2
Cywnar (DT)	-	-	1

Longest Active Streaks

Stewart (LG)	19
Smith, H. (S)	17
Te'o (ILB)	14
Lewis-Moore (DE)	14
Gray (DB)	12

Most Career Starts (Active)

Rudolph (TE)	27
Stewart (LG)	27
Neal (OLB)	26
Smith, H. (S)	26
Walls (DB)	26
Smith, B. (OLB)	24
Allen Jr. (RB)	24
Williams (NT)	23
Floyd (WR)	22
Kamara (WR)	20
Johnson (DE)	20
Wenger (C)	19
Robinson (RG)	19

LOOKING BACK TO BOSTON COLLEGE

- ▶ Captains for the game were senior RB **Armando Allen Jr.** and senior S **Harrison Smith**.
- ▶ Notre Dame has played before a sellout in 75 of its last 86 games road games (including last Saturday). In fact, the Irish have played in front of sellout crowds in 222 of their previous 256 games, including 97 of their last 108 dating back to the 2001 Tostitos Fiesta Bowl (the '01, '03, '05 and '07 games at Stanford, the '04 game vs. Navy at the Meadowlands, the '05 and '08 games at Washington, the '07 game at UCLA, the '08 Hawai'i Bowl and the '09 games at Purdue and in San Antonio against Washington State were not sellouts).
- ▶ Notre Dame blanked Boston College in the second half. The last time the Irish shutout an opponent in second half was the 2009 season opener against Nevada (W, 35-0).
- ▶ The Irish held the Eagles to five yards rushing on 23 carries (0.2 yards per rush). It was the fewest yards rushing allowed by Notre Dame since the Irish held Stanford to minus-11 yards on the ground on Nov. 26, 2005. In fact, it was the fewest yards rushing allowed by Notre Dame on the road since the same game. It was also the third fewest yards rushing by an Irish foe since the start of the 1996 season. Notre Dame limited Vanderbilt (Sept. 5) and Rutgers (Nov. 23) to two yards and minus-six yards rushing, respectively, that year.

Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed Since 1998

1. -11	at Stanford, Nov. 19, 2005	6. 20	vs. Oregon State, Jan. 2, 2005
2. 5	at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010	20	at Stanford, Nov. 29, 2003
3. 8	at Pittsburgh, Oct. 11, 2003	8. 22	at BYU, Sept. 4, 2004
4. 14	vs. Maryland, Aug. 31, 2002	9. 26	at Washington, Oct. 25, 2008
5. 16	vs. Rutgers, Nov. 23, 2002	26	vs. UCLA, Oct. 26, 2006

- ▶ Notre Dame limited Boston College to 13 first downs in the game and only two first downs on the ground. It was the fewest rushing first downs by an Irish opponent since UCLA managed only two on Oct. 26, 2006. In fact, a Notre Dame defense has not allowed fewer rushing first downs in a single game since Vanderbilt registered just one rushing first down on Sept. 5, 1996.
- ▶ The Irish limited Boston College to minus-21 yards rushing in the second half.
- ▶ Boston College had 17 possessions in the game and 11 went for 10 yards or less, including six drives for five yards or less.
- ▶ Notre Dame forced the Eagles into nine drives that were three plays and out. The Irish also forced Boston College into 11 punts. Notre Dame has not forced an opponent into as many punts since Rutgers punted 11 times on Nov. 23, 1996. In fact, the Irish have not forced an opponent into more punts since Oct. 20, 1973 against Army when the Cadets punted 12 times in a 62-3 Notre Dame rout.
- ▶ Notre Dame registered 5.0 sacks and 11.0 tackles for loss. The 11.0 tackles for loss were the most by Notre Dame since Nov. 19, 2005 when the Irish had 12.0 against Syracuse.

Most Tackles For Loss Since 1998

1. 12.0	at West Virginia, Oct. 21, 2000	6. 11.0	at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010
12.0	vs. Navy, Nov. 17, 2001	11.0	at Purdue, Dec. 1, 2001
12.0	vs. Syracuse, Nov. 19, 2005	11.0	vs. Tennessee, Nov. 5, 2005
12.0	at Michigan State, Sept. 21, 2002	11.0	at Pittsburgh, Oct. 11, 2003
12.0	at BYU, Sept. 4, 2004	11.0	vs. Stanford, Oct. 5, 2002

- ▶ Notre Dame recorded only 20 sacks over its 12 games in 2009. The Irish averaged just 1.58 sacks per game, which ranked 89th in the FBS. With its 4.0 sacks in the season opener, 4.0 against Michigan State and 5.0 more against Boston College, Notre Dame has already recorded 65 percent of the total output in sacks from a year ago. The Irish are ranked 31st in the FBS in sacks per game (2.60).
- ▶ Notre Dame limited Boston College to a total of one yard on 14 plays in the third quarter.
- ▶ Boston College finished the game with 270 total yards, 93 yards came on the Eagles final two drives which predominantly came against the Irish second-team defense. The Eagles averaged 3.9 yards per play for the game. Ironically, it was the fewest yards per play allowed by Notre Dame since posting the same exact number in its last trip to Boston College. The Irish defense has not posted a better yard per play average since Washington managed only 2.6 yards against the Irish on Oct. 25, 2008.
- ▶ If you take away the 58-yard touchdown pass play, Boston College managed 212 yards on its other 69 plays or 3.1 yards per play.
- ▶ The 13 points allowed by the Irish were the fewest against Boston College since 1995 when Notre Dame was victorious 20-10.
- ▶ Notre Dame was called for only two penalties in the victory over Boston College. It is the second team already this season that the Irish have been whistled for two penalties (vs. Purdue, Sept. 4). The Irish have not completed a game with fewer than two penalties since Nov. 26, 2005. In a 38-31 victory at Stanford, Notre Dame was called for one penalty.
- ▶ Notre Dame scored a touchdown on its opening drive for the second time this season (the Irish opened the Michigan game with a touchdown drive).
- ▶ The touchdown came just 1:48 into the opening quarter, which is the quickest Irish touchdown to open a game since Nov. 11, 2006 when Notre Dame scored a touchdown just 54 seconds into the contest with Air Force.
- ▶ Notre Dame added two more first quarter touchdowns to grab a 21-0 lead in the first quarter. In fact, it was 21-0 before Boston College picked up its initial first down of the game.
- ▶ The 21 points in the first quarter were the most by Notre Dame in an opening quarter since Sept. 13, 2008 against Michigan. In fact, the 21 points were the most by the Irish in a first quarter true road game since Notre Dame totaled 21 against Stanford on Nov. 29, 2003.
- ▶ The three touchdowns scored by Notre Dame's offense in the first quarter against Boston College matched the three total touchdowns over 12 quarters the Irish scored versus the Eagles in their previous three meetings: one in 2007, zero in a 17-0 shutout in 2008 and two last season. The 31 points tallied by the Irish were the most they posted against the Eagles since 1998, a 31-26 victory in Chestnut Hill.
- ▶ Prior to Boston College gaining its initial first down of the game, late in the first quarter, Notre Dame had outgained the Eagles 179 total yards to one total yard.
- ▶ The Irish finished the first half with 24 points, which were the most points for Notre Dame in an opening half road game since Nov. 11, 2006. The Irish led Air Force 27-3 at intermission.

- ▶ Notre Dame grabbed a 31-13 lead with 4:39 remaining in the third quarter following a 14-play, 76-yard touchdown drive. The drive also accounted for 4:44 time of possession. It was the longest scoring drive of the season for the Irish in terms of plays and time of possession.
- ▶ Notre Dame was victimized by a pair of first-half fumbles, including one Boston College recovered at the Irish 14-yard line. Notre Dame's defense was able to limit Boston College to field goals following each turnover. The Eagles' two drives following the Notre Dame turnovers accounted for 20 yards on 11 plays.
- ▶ Notre Dame has now registered victories over Boston College in consecutive years for the first time since 1997-98.
- ▶ The Irish snapped a three-game losing streak against Boston College in Chestnut Hill.
- ▶ Notre Dame registered its first victory over the Eagles in Alumni Stadium since 1998.
- ▶ The Irish improved to 11-9 (.550) in the all-time series with Boston College.
- ▶ Notre Dame improved to 3-4 (.429) in the all-time series with the Eagles in Chestnut Hill.
- ▶ The Irish improved to 77-31-2 (.709) all-time against the Atlantic Coast Conference.
- ▶ Notre Dame improved to 27-15-2 (.636) all-time against the Atlantic Coast Conference in true road games.
- ▶ The Irish improved to 33-19-2 (.630) all-time against the Atlantic Coast Conference away from Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Brian Kelly improved to 173-60-2 (.740) overall, 55-25 (.688) at the FBS level and 35-9 (.795) over the last four seasons.
- ▶ Notre Dame improved its all-time record to 839-293-42 (.733).
- ▶ The Irish improved its all-time road record to 278-143-23 (.652).
- ▶ Notre Dame improved its all-time record in night games to 59-29-1 (.669).
- ▶ The series feature a matchup of the only two Catholic universities in the country playing Bowl Subdivision college football.
- ▶ Legendary Notre Dame head coach Frank Leahy spent two seasons at Boston College (1939-40), leading the Eagles to a bowl game both years.
- ▶ The winner of this game earns the Frank Leahy Memorial Bowl, given by the Notre Dame Club of Boston, and the Ireland Trophy, presented by Notre Dame student government. The Ireland Trophy is intended to inspire a spirit of sportsmanship and friendly competition between the schools.
- ▶ Senior RB **Armando Allen Jr.** registered a career-long 30-yard run on Notre Dame's opening touchdown drive against Boston College.
- ▶ Allen registered a six-yard rush before fumbling, but the yards moved him past Golden Tate (2007-09) into sixth place on the all-time Notre Dame all-purpose yards list.
- ▶ Allen scored from two yards out to give Notre Dame a 31-13 lead with 4:39 remaining in the third quarter. The touchdown rush was Allen's second of the season and eighth of his career.
- ▶ Junior QB **Dayne Crist** raced seven yards for a rushing touchdown to give the Irish a 7-0 lead with 13:12 remaining in the first quarter against Boston College. The touchdown rush was Crist's second of the season and career.
- ▶ Crist added a two-yard touchdown pass to junior TE **Kyle Rudolph** with 6:26 remaining in the first quarter to push the Irish lead to 14-0.
- ▶ Crist connected with sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** for a 20-yard touchdown pass with 2:19 remaining in the first quarter to give Notre Dame a 21-0 lead. The touchdown pass was Crist's second of the game, 10th of the season and 11th of his career.
- ▶ Junior WR **Michael Floyd** hauled in a 35-yard pass in the second quarter to move past Tony Hunter (1979-82) into ninth place on the all-time Irish receiving yards list. He also moved into a tie with Hunter for 10th place on the all-time Irish receptions list (120).
- ▶ Freshman WR **Bennett Jackson** raced 43 yards on his first career kickoff return, the longest return of the season for Notre Dame. He finished the game with 111 yards on four kickoff returns, good for a 27.8 yard average.
- ▶ Sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** hauled in a 20-yard touchdown pass from junior QB **Dayne Crist** with 2:19 remaining in the first quarter to give the Irish a 21-0 lead. The touchdown reception was Riddick's third of the season and career.
- ▶ Junior TE **Kyle Rudolph** hauled in a two-yard touchdown pass from junior QB **Dayne Crist** with 6:26 remaining in the first quarter to push the Irish lead to 14-0. The touchdown catch was Rudolph's third of the season and eighth of his career.
- ▶ Senior PK **David Ruffer** connected on a 37-yard field goal with 5:22 remaining in the first half to give the Irish a 24-13 lead. He has converted 13 straight field goals, which is tied with Mike Johnston (1982) for the second longest streak in school history. Ruffer is 13 of 13 for his career in field goals. The 13 consecutive field goals to open a career is tied with Johnston (1982) for the longest such streak in school history.
- ▶ Ruffer has also connected on a field goal in eight straight games, each game in which he has served as the Irish place kicker. The eight consecutive games with a field goal is the longest streak by a Notre Dame kicker since Nicholas Setta set the school record with a field goal in 16 straight games (2000-02).
- ▶ Freshman LB **Prince Shembo** picked up his first career sack and forced fumble on the same play late in the third quarter. He added another sack in the fourth quarter.
- ▶ Irish senior CB **Darrin Walls** registered a pass break-up against Boston College. He now has 19 career PBUs, which ranks tied for seventh all-time in Notre Dame history. He is tied with Thomas O'Leary (1965-67).

**Fighting Irish
In The NFL**

AFC	NFC
Baltimore Ravens	Carolina Panthers
SS Tom Zbikowski	QB Jimmy Clausen LS J. J. Jansen
Cincinnati Bengals	DT Derek Landri OG Dan Santucci*
SS Chinedum Ndukwe	
Denver Broncos	Dallas Cowboys
SS David Bruton OT Ryan Harris S Kyle McCarthy* OG Eric Olsen QB Brady Quinn	OT Sam Young
Jacksonville Jaguars	Green Bay Packers
OT Jordan Black	RB Ryan Grant
Kansas City Chiefs	Minnesota Vikings
ILB Corey Mays	OC John Sullivan
Miami Dolphins	New York Giants
TE Anthony Fasano	DE Justin Tuck
New England Patriots	New Orleans Saints
S Sergio Brown* OT Mark LeVoir	PK John Carney
Pittsburgh Steelers	Philadelphia Eagles
WR Arnaz Battle	DE Victor Abiamiri# DT Trevor Laws
* - practice squad # - physically unable to perform list	Seattle Seahawks
	TE John Carlson RB Julius Jones WR Golden Tate
	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
	C Jeff Faine WR Maurice Stovall

**Career Starts
By Position**

—OFFENSE—

WR	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	WR	QB	WR	HB
Kamara (20) Jones (3)	Martin (5)	Stewart (17)	Wenger (15) Cave (5)	Robinson (19) Stewart (10) Wenger (4)	Dever (5)	Rudolph (27) Ragone (7) Burger (2) Eifert (1)	Floyd (22)	Crist (5)	Riddick (5) Goodman (2)	Allen Jr. (24) Hughes (6) Gray (1) Riddick (1)

—DEFENSE—

DE	NG	DE	OLB	ILB	ILB	OLB	CB	S	S	CB
Lewis-Moore (14)	Williams (23) Cwynar (1)	Johnson (20)	Fleming (15) Smith, B. (9)	Smith, B. (15) Calabrese (5)	Te'o (15)	Neal (26) Smith, H. (13)	Walls (26)	Smith, H. (13)	Slaughter (4) Motta (2)	Gray (12) Blanton (11)

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

RUSHING

Attempts - Career

1. Allen Pinkett	889 (1982-85)
2. Autry Denson	854 (1995-98)
3. Darius Walker	693 (2004-06)
4. Vagas Ferguson	673 (1976-79)
5. Julius Jones	634 (1999-01, '03)
6. Jerome Heavens	590 (1975-78)
7. Ryan Grant	560 (2001-04)
8. Phil Carter	557 (1979-82)
9. Neil Worden	476 (1951-53)
10. Armando Allen Jr., 2007-	442 (2007-)

Yards - Career

1. Autry Denson, 1995-98	854	5.1	4318
2. Allen Pinkett, 1982-85	889	4.6	4131
3. Vagas Ferguson, 1976-79	673	5.2	3472
4. Darius Walker, 2004-06	693	4.7	3249
5. Julius Jones, 1999-01, '03	634	4.8	3018
6. Jerome Heavens, 1975-78	590	4.5	2682
7. Phil Carter, 1979-82	557	4.3	2409
8. George Gipp, 1917-20	369	6.3	2341
9. Randy Kinder, 1993-96	404	5.7	2295
10. Tony Brooks, 1987-91	423	5.4	2274
-- Armando Allen Jr., 2007-	442	4.6	2022

PASSING

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. Brady Quinn	52	vs. Florida St., Nov. 1, 2003
7. Jimmy Clausen	51	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
8. Jimmy Clausen	48	at North Carolina, Oct. 11, 2008
Brady Quinn	48	vs. Michigan, Sept. 16, 2006
10. Brady Quinn	47	at BYU, Sept. 4, 2004

Completions - Game

1. Jimmy Clausen	37	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
2. Joe Theismann	33	at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
Brady Quinn	33	vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2005
4. Dayne Crist	32	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
Brady Quinn	32	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
6. Jimmy Clausen	31	at North Carolina, Oct. 11, 2008
Ron Powllus	31	at Purdue, Sept. 13, 1997
8. Jimmy Clausen	30	vs. UConn, Nov. 21, 2009
9. Jimmy Clausen	29	vs. Stanford, Oct. 4, 2008
Brady Quinn	29	at Purdue, Oct. 1, 2005
Brady Quinn	29	at Purdue, Sept. 27, 2003
Terry Hanratty	29	at Purdue, Sept. 30, 1967
Brady Quinn	29	vs. OSU, Jan. 2, 2006
Brady Quinn	29	vs. Purdue, Sept. 30, 2006

TE'O MAKING IRISH OPPONENTS SAYING UH-OH

► Notre Dame sophomore LB **Manti Te'o** leads the Irish total tackles (64), tackles on running plays (44), solo tackles (32) and assisted tackles (32). He also ranks second on the team in tackles on passing plays (18) and tackles for loss (4.0). Te'o ranks second in the FBS in tackles per game (12.8).

► Te'o has registered 10 or more tackles in each of the last four games. He only failed to reach double digits in tackles against Purdue in the season opener (Te'o finished with nine tackles against the Boilermakers). Te'o has now recorded 10 or more tackles in a game six times over his brief career.

► Te'o established a career-high in tackles with 21 against Stanford. He was the first player in the FBS this season to eclipse the 20-tackle barrier. In fact, no player in the FBS has had more tackles in one game against a BCS conference foe since Durell Mapp of North Carolina had 23 stops against North Carolina State on Nov. 10, 2007. In fact, it is the most tackles by a sophomore against a BCS opponent since Austin Thomas of Indiana had 22 against Michigan State on Oct. 13, 2007.

Most Tackles Vs. FBS Opponent Since 2005

1. Durell Mapp, North Carolina	23 vs. NC State, Nov. 10, 2007
2. Austin Thomas, Indiana	22 vs. Michigan State, Oct. 13, 2007
3. Lamar Myles, Louisville	22 vs. Kentucky, Sept. 15, 2007
4. J Leman, Illinois	22 vs. Northwestern, Nov. 18, 2006
5. Manti Te'o, Notre Dame	21 vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010
Dave Philistin, Maryland	21 vs. Georgia Tech, Oct. 6, 2007

Irish Among National Leaders in 2010

Category	Rank	Stat	National Leader	Stat
Rushing Offense	97	111.00	Air Force	373.60
Passing Offense	17	293.00	Hawaii	430.80
Total Offense	48	404.00	Oregon	569.20
Scoring Offense	82	24.60	Oregon	56.60
Rushing Defense	68	152.80	Kent St.	59.00
Pass Efficiency Defense	53	120.53	Nebraska	74.65
Total Defense	89	401.00	Boise St.	223.50
Scoring Defense	70	24.80	Alabama	9.00
Net Punting	58	36.34	Pittsburgh	44.75
Punt Returns	30	11.67	Maryland	27.67
Kickoff Returns	69	21.20	Arizona	33.50
Turnover Margin	94	-8.0	Oregon	2.20
Pass Defense	96	248.20	Navy	95.25
Passing Efficiency	77	123.70	Auburn	188.82
Sacks	31	2.60	Florida St.	5.00
Tackles For Loss	75	5.80	Miami (FL)	10.50
Sacks Allowed	56	1.80	Michigan	.20
Rushing				
Armando Allen Jr.	54th	78.40	Passing Efficiency	
Total Offense				
Dayne Crist	24th	275.80	Dayne Crist	59th 129.93
Receiving Yards Per Game				
Michael Floyd	36th	81.60	Receptions Per Game	
Kyle Rudolph	73rd	64.00	Theo Riddick	t-25th 6.00
Theo Riddick	t-94th	58.00	Michael Floyd	t-34th 5.60
Punting				
Ben Turk	85th	36.52	Kyle Rudolph	t-75th 4.60
Scoring				
David Ruffer	t-79th	7.40	Interceptions Per Game	
Sacks Per Game				
Carlo Calabrese	t-91st	.50	Darrin Walls	t-55th .40
Tackles Per Game				
Manti Te'o t-2nd 12.80				

Most Tackles By FBS Player In 2010

1. **Manti Te'o, Notre Dame** **21 vs. Stanford, Sept. 25**
2. Dwayne Woods, Bowling Green 20 vs. Buffalo, Oct. 2
3. Keenan Robinson, Texas 19 vs. Oklahoma, Oct. 2
Lavonte David, Nebraska 19 vs. South Dakota State, Sept. 25
5. Lance Mitchell, Oregon State 18 vs. TCU, Sept. 4
Alex Wujciak, Maryland 18 vs. Navy, Sept. 6

► It was the most tackles by a Notre Dame player since Chinedum Ndukwe had 22 in a victory over Air Force on Nov. 11, 2006. Te'o's 21 tackles against Stanford not only rank as the fifth-most in single-game school history, but also the second-most ever by an Irish sophomore. Bob Crable was a sophomore when he tied the school record with 26 stops against Clemson on Nov. 17, 1979. His previous career-high for tackles in a game was 13 set earlier this year against Michigan.

Tackles - Game

1. Bob Golic 26 vs. Michigan, Sept. 23, 1978
Bob Crable 26 vs. Clemson, Nov. 17, 1979
3. Chinedum Ndukwe 22 at Air Force, Nov. 11, 2006
Bob Golic 22 vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 14, 1978
5. **Manti Te'o** **21 vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010**
6. Bob Crable 20 at Michigan, Sept. 19, 1981
7. 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

► While Notre Dame has played just over a quarter of its season to this point, Te'o may be headed towards one of the best seasons in Irish history. He is on pace for 154 total tackles, which would rank as tied for the fourth most in school history and most since Bob Crable had 167 in 1981. The total would also rank as the second most ever by a Notre Dame sophomore. Crable's school record total of 187 in 1979 came during his second year in an Irish uniform.

Tackles - Season

1. Bob Crable 187 (1979)
 2. Bob Crable 167 (1981)
 3. Steve Heimkreiter 160 (1978)
 4. Bob Crable 154 (1980)
 5. Bob Golic 152 (1978)
 6. Tony Furjanic 147 (1985)
 7. Bob Golic 146 (1977)
 8. Greg Collins 144 (1974)
 9. Tony Furjanic 142 (1983)
 10. Jim Carroll 140 (1964)
- Manti Te'o 154 (2010)***

**projected total over a 12-game regular season*

- Te'o has already accounted for 127 career tackles in just 17 games in an Irish uniform, good for an average of 7.5 tackles per game.
- Since becoming a full-time starter in the fifth game of the 2009 season, Te'o has started 13 consecutive games. In that time, he has totaled 121 tackles (9.3 tackles per game).
- Te'o registered 63 tackles in 2009, the third most tackles ever by a Notre Dame freshman. The only two players to register more tackles in their rookie campaign were future All-Americans Bob Golic (82, 1975) and Ross Browner (68, 1973).

CRIST QUICKLY MAKING A NAME FOR HIMSELF

- Junior QB **Dayne Crist** has made only five career starts, all this season, and he entered the year following reconstructive knee surgery. The signal caller has completed 58.2% of his passes (113 of 194) for 1,358 yards and 10 touchdowns. Crist has registered a passing efficiency of 129.93. He is ranked among the top 20 FBS quarterbacks in passing (18th, 22.60 completions/game), total passing yards (t-12th, 1,358) and passing yards per game (t-19th, 271.60/game).
- Not a single quarterback in the FBS is ranked ahead of Crist in total passing yards that has started fewer career games.
- There are only two quarterbacks (Brandon Weeden of Oklahoma State and Corey Robinson of Troy) in the FBS ranked ahead of Crist in passing yards per game that have started fewer contests.
- There are only three quarterbacks (Alex Carder of Western Michigan, Weeden and Robinson) in the FBS ranked ahead of Crist in passing that have started fewer games.
- There are only four quarterbacks in the FBS ranked ahead of Crist in passing efficiency that have started fewer games than the Notre Dame junior (Brandon Weeden of Oklahoma State, Tino Sunseri of Pittsburgh, Ryan Katz of Oregon State and Corey Robinson of Troy have started four career games).
- Crist accounted for three touchdowns in the 31-13 victory over Boston College. He rushed for one score and threw two more.

**Eye On Notre Dame
Career Records**

Touchdown Passes - Game

1. Brady Quinn 6 vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
2. Jimmy Clausen 5 at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
Jimmy Clausen 5 vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008
Brady Quinn 5 at Michigan St., Sept. 23, 2006
Brady Quinn 5 vs. Michigan St., Sept. 17, 2005
6. **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. Navy, Nov. 12, 2005
Brady Quinn 4 vs. Washington, Sept. 25, 2004
Carlyle Holiday 4 vs. Rutgers, Nov. 23, 2002
Jarious Jackson 4 vs. Arizona St., Oct. 9, 1999
Ron Powlus 4 vs. Rutgers, Nov. 23, 1996
Ron Powlus 4 at Purdue, Sept. 9, 1995
Ron Powlus 4 vs. Northwestern, Sept. 3, 1994
Steve Beuerlein 4 at USC, Nov. 24, 1986
Daryle Lamonica 4 vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
Angelo Bertelli 4 vs. Stanford, Oct. 10, 1942

Lowest INT Percentage - Career

1. **Dayne Crist** **2.34 (5 of 214), 2008-**
2. Jimmy Clausen 2.43 (27 of 1110), 2007-09
Brady Quinn 2.43 (39 of 1602), 2003-06
4. Ron Powlus 2.79 (27 of 969), 1994-97
5. Carlyle Holiday 2.99 (12 of 401), 2001-04
6. Rick Mirer 3.30 (23 of 698), 1989-92
7. Kevin McDougal 3.33 (6 of 180), 1990-93
8. Jarious Jackson 3.92 (21 of 536), 1996-99

RECEIVING

Receptions - Game

1. Maurice Stovall 14 vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
2. Jim Seymour 13 vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
3. Tom Gatewood 12 vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
Bobby Brown 12 at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
5. Golden Tate 11 vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009
Jim Kelly 11 vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 10, 1962
7. **Theo Riddick** **10 at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010**
- Golden Tate 10 at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
- Michael Floyd** **10 vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009**
- Michael Floyd** **10 vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 1, 2008**
- Arnaz Battle 10 vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 12, 2002
Arnaz Battle 10 vs. NC St., Jan. 1, 2003
Tom Gatewood 10 at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
Tom Gatewood 10 vs. Michigan St., Oct. 4, 1969
Jim Seymour 10 at Michigan St., Oct. 26, 1968
Rhema McKnight 10 vs. Purdue, Sept. 30, 2006

Receptions - Career

1. Jeff Samardzija 179 (2003-06)
2. Rhema McKnight 170 (2002-06)
3. Golden Tate 157 (2007-09)
Tom Gatewood 157 (1969-71)
5. Jim Seymour 138 (1966-68)
6. Tim Brown 137 (1984-87)
7. Maurice Stovall 130 (2002-05)
8. Derrick Mayes 129 (1992-95)
9. Ken MacAfee 128 (1974-77)
10. **Michael Floyd** **120 (2008-)**
- Tony Hunter 120 (1979-82)
- **Armando Allen, Jr.** **116 (2007-)**

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Receptions - Season (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	54 (1977)
2. John Carlson	47 (2006)
Anthony Fasano	47 (2005)
4. Tony Hunter	42 (1982)
5. John Carlson	40 (2007)
6. Ken MacAfee	34 (1976)
7. Kyle Rudolph	33 (2009)
8. Mark Bavaro	32 (1984)
9. Kyle Rudolph	29 (2008)
10. Tony Hunter	28 (1981)

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	85 (2008-)
5. *Tony Hunter	70 (1979-82)
6. Derek Brown	62 (1988-91)
Dean Masztak	62 (1978-81)
8. Mark Bavaro	55 (1981-84)

*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. Marc Edwards	25 (1995)
Mark Green	25 (1986)

Receptions - Career (Running Back)

1. Armando Allen Jr.	116 (2007-)
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. Nick Eddy	44 (1964-66)

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. Brigham Young, 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

► Crist surpassed the 300-yard passing barrier for the second consecutive week out against Stanford. He completed for 25 of 44 passes for 304 yards and one touchdown.

► Crist set career-highs in completions (32), attempts (55), passing yards (369) and touchdown passes (four) against Michigan State. No Irish quarterback has ever thrown for more touchdown passes in his first career start on the road. Crist's 32 completions, 55 attempts and four touchdown passes rank tied for fourth, fifth and sixth, respectively, in Notre Dame single-game history.

► Crist registered a 24-yard touchdown pass to junior WR **Michael Floyd** with 13:20 to go in the fourth quarter to give the Irish a 28-21 lead over Michigan State. The touchdown pass was Crist's fourth of the game.

► Crist eclipsed 300 yards passing for the first time in his career against the Spartans. He went 12 for 14 for 149 yards and two touchdowns in the third quarter alone. Crist registered a 15-yard touchdown pass to sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** with 1:29 to go in the third quarter to tie the score, 21-21. He was 7 of 8 for 75 yards on the scoring drive.

► Crist connected on a 10-yard TD pass to junior TE **Kyle Rudolph** with 12:25 to go in the third quarter to tie the score, 14-14. He was 5 for 6 for 74 yards and a touchdown on the opening scoring drive of the first half. Crist connected on a seven-yard TD pass to Floyd with 5:28 left in the first quarter to give Notre Dame a 7-0 lead. He completed 11 of 18 passes for 116 yards and one touchdown in the opening 15 minutes.

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

	Dayne Crist	Jimmy Clausen	Brady Quinn	Ron Powlus	Joe Montana	Joe Theismann
Completion Percentage	58.2 (113 of 194)	60.9 (70 of 115)	45.8 (92 of 201)	57.8 (63 of 109)	37.0 (27 of 73)	55.3 (42 of 76)
Passing Yards	1358	524	1023	916	378	619
Passing Touchdowns	10	1	4	12	1	5
Interceptions	4	3	10	4	8	8
Passing Efficiency	129.9	96.8	85.1	157.4	63.1	124.3

► Here is another comparison between Crist and the same quarterbacks in their first career start on the road.

	Dayne Crist	Jimmy Clausen	Brady Quinn	Ron Powlus	Joe Montana	Joe Theismann
Completion Percentage	58.2	53.1	33.3	33.3	42.9	62.5
Passing Yards	369	144	161	161	172	152
Passing Touchdowns	4	0	2	2	0	0
Interceptions	1	1	4	4	0	3
Passing Efficiency	134.90	84.68	83.47	73.75	111.66	104.80

► Crist hooked up with freshman WR **TJ Jones** for 53 yards with 12:42 to go in the third quarter against Michigan to bring the Irish with seven points, 21-14.

► The 53-yard completion was the longest of the season for Notre Dame until junior TE **Kyle Rudolph's** 95-yard grab late in the fourth quarter.

► Crist served as the quarterback for nine of Notre Dame's 17 possessions in the game against Michigan. The Irish offense totaled 363 of their 535 yards in those series. Notre Dame also scored all 24 points of the contest in those series and averaged 8.9 yards per play compared to zero points and 4.8 yards per play in other eight series without Crist.

► Crist passed for 277 yards with two touchdowns and one interception in slightly more than one half of football against the Wolverines.

CRIST'S REKINDLES QUARTERBACK FIRST-START MAGIC AGAINST PURDUE

► Junior QB **Dayne Crist** snapped Notre Dame's four-game losing streak with a first-time starting quarterback under center.

► Since 1975, the Irish are now 18-10 under a first-time starting quarterback. Interestingly enough, Notre Dame is 12-4 under a first-time starting quarterback when playing in Notre Dame Stadium (also since 1975).

► Crist's completion percentage of 73.1% was the highest of any first-time starting quarterback with more than eight pass attempts since 1975.

► Crist's 19 completions are the second-most by a first-time starting Irish quarterback since 1975. Brady Quinn completed 29 passes against Purdue on Sept. 23, 2003. His 205 yards passing are the third-most by a first-time starting signal caller since 1985. Quinn threw for 297 yards against Purdue on Sept. 27, 2003 and Ron Powlus had 291 yards against Northwestern on Sept. 3, 1994.

► Crist was the first junior quarterback to make his starting debut since Arnaz Battle in 2000.

► From 1985-98, Notre Dame was victorious in nine straight games in which an Irish quarterback was making his first career start, including four coming in a season opener. Those openers were won by Rick Mirer (No. 1 Notre Dame def. No. 4 Michigan 28-24 in '90), Kevin McDougal (No. 7 Notre Dame def. Northwestern 27-12 in '93), Ron Powlus (No. 3 Notre Dame def. Northwestern 42-12 in '95) and Jarious Jackson (No. 22 Notre Dame def. No. 5 Michigan 36-20 in '98).

► Notre Dame's nine-game, first-start winning streak ended in the 10-0 loss at USC on Nov. 28, 1998, when Eric Chappell started in place of the injured starter Jackson (then-freshman Arnaz Battle also played a large chunk of that game).

► Following the snap of the nine-game winning streak under first-time starters, the Irish won three consecutive games under first-time signal callers. In fact, all three came during the same season, 2000, and occurred over the year's first five contests. Arnaz Battle (Notre Dame def. No. 24 Texas A&M, 24-10), Gary Godsey (Notre Dame def. Purdue, 23-21) and Matt Lovecchio (No. 25 Notre Dame def. Stanford, 20-14).

► Carlyle Holiday dropped his first career start on Sept. 29, 2001 against Texas A&M, but senior walk-on Pat Dillingham was victorious against Stanford on Oct. 5, 2002.

► Notre Dame used a trio of first-time signal callers in 2007, including one in each of the first two games of the season. Demetrius Jones (Georgia Tech def. Notre Dame, 33-3), Jimmy Clausen (No. 14 Penn State def. Notre Dame, 31-10) and Evan Sharpley (No. 13 USC def. Notre Dame, 38-0) all failed to walk away with a victory.

Last 28 starting debut games by Irish quarterbacks (Notre Dame is 18-10 in those contests).

- ▶ **Dayne Crist**, junior (Notre Dame vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010, first game of season) ... win, 23-12 ... 19 of 26 passing, 205 yards, 1 TD.
- ▶ **Evan Sharpley**, sophomore (Notre Dame vs. No. 13 USC, Oct. 20, 2007, eighth game of season) ... loss, 38-0 ... 17 of 33 passing, 117 yards, 1 INT.
- ▶ **Jimmy Clausen**, freshman (Notre Dame at No. 14 Penn State, Sept. 8, 2007, second game of season) ... loss, 31-10 ... 17 of 32 passing, 144 yards, 1 INT.
- ▶ **Demetrius Jones**, sophomore (Notre Dame vs. Georgia Tech, Sept. 1, 2007, first game of season) ... loss, 33-3 ... 1 of 3 passing, 4 yards, 2 fumbles ... 12 rushes for 28 yards.
- ▶ **Brady Quinn**, freshman (Notre Dame at No. 22 Purdue, Sept. 27, 2003, fourth game of season) ... loss, 23-10 ... 29 of 59 passing, 297 yards, 4 INT, TD ... 8 rushes for 25 yards.
- ▶ **Pat Dillingham**, sophomore (Notre Dame vs. Stanford, Oct. 5, 2002, fifth game of season) ... win, 31-7 ... 14 of 27 passing, 129 yards, 2 TDs.
- ▶ **Carlyle Holiday**, sophomore (Notre Dame at Texas A&M, Sept. 29, 2001, third game of season) ... loss, 24-3 ... 6 of 13 passing, 73 yards, 2 INT ... 12 rushes for 23 yards.
- ▶ **Matt Lovechio**, freshman (No. 25 Notre Dame vs. Stanford, Oct. 7, 2000, fifth game of season) ... win, 20-14 ... 10 of 18 passing, 100 yards, 2 TDs ... 13 rushes for 36 yards, TD.
- ▶ **Gary Godsey**, sophomore (Notre Dame vs. Purdue, Sept. 16, 2000, 3rd game of season) ... win, 23-21 ... 14 of 25 passing, 158 yards, INT ... 7 rushes for 3 yards, TD.
- ▶ **Arnaz Battle**, junior (Notre Dame vs. No. 24 Texas A&M, Sept. 2, 2000, 1st game of season) ... win, 24-10 ... 10 of 16 passing, 133 yards ... 12 rushes for 50 yards.
- ▶ **Eric Chappell**, junior (No. 9 Notre Dame at USC, Nov. 28, 1998, 11th game of season) ... loss, 10-0 ... 0 of 3 passing, 2 INT ... 7 rushes for 33 yards.
- ▶ **Jarious Jackson**, senior (Notre Dame vs. No. 5 Michigan, Sept. 5, 1998, 1st game of season) ... win, 36-20 ... 4 of 10 passing, 96 yards, 2 TDs, INT ... 16 rushes for 62 yards.
- ▶ **Tom Krug**, junior (No. 8 Notre Dame at Air Force, Nov. 18, 1995, 11th game of season) ... win, 44-14 ... 8 of 13 passing, INT ... 3 rushes for 13 yards ... started due to Powlus' collarbone injury, in previous week versus Navy.
- ▶ **Ron Powlus**, sophomore (No. 3 Notre Dame at Northwestern, Sept. 3, 1994, 1st game of season) ... win, 42-15 ... 18 of 24 passing, 291 yards, 4 TD ... 2 rushes for 6 yards.
- ▶ **Kevin McDougal**, senior (No. 7 Notre Dame vs. Northwestern, Sept. 4, 1993, 1st game of season) ... win, 27-12 ... 6 of 8 passing, 135 yards ... 5 rushes for -16 yards.
- ▶ **Paul Failla**, freshman (No. 8 Notre Dame at Purdue, Sept. 28, 1991, 4th game of season) ... win, 45-20 ... 1 of 1 passing, 10 yards ... 2 rushes for 11 yards ... started in place of Mirer due to team policy of "no practice, no start" (Mirer had pulled rib cartilage during the week) ... Mirer replaced Failla beginning with the second series.
- ▶ **Rick Mirer**, sophomore (No. 1 Notre Dame vs. No. 4 Michigan, Sept. 15, 1990, 1st game of season) ... win, 28-24 ... 14 of 23 passing, 165 yards, TD, INT ... 10 rushes for 12 yards, TD.
- ▶ **Kent Graham**, freshman (No. 9 Notre Dame vs. Boston College, Nov. 7, 1987, 8th game of season) ... win, 32-25 ... 6 of 8 passing, 11 yards, INT ... 3 rushes for 7 yards.
- ▶ **Tony Rice**, sophomore (No. 11 Notre Dame at Air Force, Oct. 17, 1987, 5th game of season) ... win, 35-14 ... 1 of 5 passing, 10 yards, INT ... 9 rushes for 70 yards, 2 TD ... played due to Andrysiak's broken collarbone injury, in previous game at Pittsburgh.
- ▶ **Terry Andrysiak**, sophomore (Notre Dame vs. Mississippi, Nov. 9, 1985, 8th game of season) ... win, 37-14 ... 4 of 8 passing, 60 yards, TD ... 2 rushes for -7 yards.
- ▶ **Rick Slager**, senior (#9 Notre Dame vs. Boston College, @Foxboro, Sept. 15, 1975, 1st game of season) ... win, 17-3 ... 7 of 12 passing, 72 yards.
- ▶ **Joe Montana**, sophomore (#8 Notre Dame vs. Michigan State, Oct. 4, 1975, 4th game of season) ... loss, 10-3 ... 2 of 5 passing, 19 yards, 1 INT.
- ▶ **Rusty Lisch**, sophomore (#3 Notre Dame vs. Miami, Nov. 20, 1976, 10th game of season) ... win, 40-27 ... 5 of 11 passing, 102 yards, 1 TD ... 15 rushes for 9 yards, 3 TD.
- ▶ **Tim Koegel**, sophomore (#5 Notre Dame at #17 Purdue, Sept. 22, 1979, 2nd game of season) ... loss, 28-22 ... 6 of 18 passing, 81 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT ... four rushes for 0 yards.
- ▶ **Blair Kiel**, freshman (#7 Notre Dame vs. #13 Miami, Oct. 11, 1980, 4th game of season) ... win, 32-14 ... 4 of 17 passing, 35 yards ... 11 rushes for 28 yards, 1 TD.
- ▶ **Ken Karcher**, sophomore ... (Notre Dame at #1 Pittsburgh, Nov. 6, 1982, 8th game of season) ... loss, 31-16 ... 2 of 4 passing, 21 yards, 1 INT ... 1 rush for -10 yards ... replaced by senior Jim O'Hara in second quarter.
- ▶ **Steve Beurelein**, freshman (Notre Dame vs. Colorado, Oct. 1, 1983, 4th game of season) ... win, 27-3 ... 8 of 12 passing, 133 yards.
- ▶ **Scott Grooms**, senior (Notre Dame vs. Air Force, Oct. 13, 1984, 6th game of season) ... loss, 21-7 ... 12 of 35 passing, 117 yards, 1 TD, 1 INT ... 12 rushes for -9 yards.

CHRONICLES OF RIDDICK

- ▶ Sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** started out his Irish career as a running back. He rushed for 160 yards on 29 attempts as a rookie in 2009, but first-year head coach Brian Kelly liked the idea of moving Riddick to the slot in his spread offense. Riddick was somewhat slow in his progression at wideout over Notre Dame's first two games of 2010. He managed just four catches for 52 yards against Purdue and Michigan, but the wide receiver has found form over the last three games of the Irish. Riddick has totaled 26 receptions for 268 yards and three touchdowns (all team-highs over the three-game stretch) against Michigan State, Stanford and Boston College.
- ▶ Riddick hauled in a 20-yard touchdown pass from junior QB **Dayne Crist** with 2:19 remaining in the first quarter to give the Irish a 21-0 lead over Boston College. The touchdown reception was Riddick's third of the season and career. Riddick has registered a touchdown catch each of the last three weeks.

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Receiving Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	2707 (2007-09)
2. Jeff Samardzija	2593 (2003-06)
3. Derrick Mayes	2512 (1992-95)
4. Tim Brown	2493 (1984-87)
5. Tom Gatewood	2283 (1969-71)
6. Rhema McKnight	2277 (2002-06)
7. Maurice Stovall	2195 (2002-05)
8. Jim Seymour	2113 (1966-68)
9. Michael Floyd	1922 (2008-)
10. Tony Hunter	1897 (1979-82)

Receiving Yards - Game (Tight End)

1. Kyle Rudolph, vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010	164 (8)
2. Anthony Fasano, vs. Purdue, Oct. 2, 2004	155 (8)
3. Ken MacAfee, vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 1977	130 (5)
4. John Carlson, at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006	121 (4)
5. Ken MacAfee, at Purdue, Sept. 24, 1977	114 (9)

Receiving Yards - Season (Running Back)

1. Jim Morse	442 (1956)
Bob Gladieux	442 (1968)
3. Jim Morse	424 (1955)
4. Joseph Heap	407 (1952)
5. Darius Walker	391 (2006)
6. Joseph Heap	369 (1954)
7. Marc Edwards	361 (1995)
8. Armando Allen Jr.	355 (2008)
9. Nick Eddy	352 (1964)
10. Darius Walker	351 (2005)

Receiving Yards - Career (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	1759 (1974-77)
2. Anthony Fasano	1102 (2003-05)
3. John Carlson	1093 (2004-07)
4. Kyle Rudolph	994 (2008-)
5. Dean Maszta	924 (1978-81)
6. *Tony Hunter	904 (1979-82)
7. Derek Brown	899 (1988-91)
8. Mark Bavaro	771 (1981-84)

*played TE only in 1981-82

Receiving Yards - Career (Running Back)

1. Joseph Heap	1137 (1951-54)
2. Bob Gladieux	947 (1966-68)
3. Jim Morse	902 (1954-56)
4. Darius Walker	816 (2004-06)
5. Armando Allen Jr.	802 (2007-)
6. Allen Pinkett	774 (1982-85)
7. Nick Eddy	708 (1964-66)
8. Bob Scarpitto	616 (1958-60)
9. John Lattner	613 (1951-53)
10. Mark Green	611 (1985-88)

Eye On Notre Dame Career Records

Yards per Reception - Game (min. 4 receptions)

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

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	83.6 (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 (2008)
Jeff Samardzija	4 (2006)
Tom Gatewood	4 (1969)
10. Arnaz Battle	3 (2002)
Derrick Mayes	3 (1994)
Derrick Mayes	3 (1995)
Rhema McKnight	3 (2006)

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	15 (2007-09)
2. Tom Gatewood	13 (1969-71)
3. Michael Floyd	10 (2008-)
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)

- ▶ Riddick had nine catches for 69 yards against the Eagles.
- ▶ Riddick picked up a touchdown reception, the second of his career, against Stanford.
- ▶ Riddick entered the Michigan State game with four receptions for 52 yards, but finished the contest with a career-high 10 catches for 128 yards and one touchdown. He registered his first career 100-yard receiving game. Riddick posted two grabs for 42 yards on Notre Dame's opening scoring drive of the second half (an 18- and 24-yard grab). He hauled in a 15-yard touchdown pass from Crist with 1:29 to go in the third quarter to tie the score, 21-21.
- ▶ Riddick's 10 receptions against Michigan State are tied for the eighth-most in single-game school history. In fact, his output is tied for the third-most ever by an Irish sophomore wideout. Notre Dame junior WR **Michael Floyd** also hauled in 10 catches against Navy on Nov. 7, 2009. Jim Seymour, who was a first-year player, but a sophomore eligibility wise, has the two highest outputs. He had games with 13 and 11 catches in 1966.

Receptions - Game

1. Maurice Stovall	14	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
2. Jim Seymour	13	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
3. Tom Gatewood	12	vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 1970
Bobby Brown	12	at Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
5. 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
8. Theo Riddick	10	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
Golden Tate	10	at Stanford, Nov. 28, 2009
Michael Floyd	10	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009
Michael Floyd	10	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 1, 2008
Arnaz Battle	10	vs. Pittsburgh, Oct. 12, 2002
Arnaz Battle	10	vs. NC St., Jan. 1, 2003
Tom Gatewood	10	at USC, Nov. 28, 1970
Tom Gatewood	10	vs. Michigan St., Oct. 4, 1969
Jim Seymour	10	at Michigan St., Oct. 26, 1968
Rhema McKnight	10	vs. Purdue, Sept. 30, 2006

Receptions - Game (Sophomores)

1. Jim Seymour	13	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966
2. Jim Seymour	11	at USC, Nov. 26, 1966
3. Theo Riddick	10	at Michigan St., Sept. 18, 2010
4. Michael Floyd	10	vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009

RETURN OF THE MACK (EY) AWARD SEMIFINALIST

- ▶ Junior TE **Kyle Rudolph's** return for the 2010 season makes him the only member of the eight announced semifinalists for the 2009 Mackey Award to come back for another year. Rudolph was named John Mackey Tight End of the Week on Sept. 15 following his record-setting performance against Michigan.
- ▶ Rudolph hauled in a two-yard touchdown pass from junior QB **Dayne Crist** with 6:26 remaining in the first quarter against Boston College to push the Irish lead to 14-0. The touchdown catch was Rudolph's third of the season and eighth of his career.
- ▶ Rudolph, who is just six receiving yards shy of becoming the fourth Irish tight end in school history to eclipse 1,000 career receiving yards, backed up his record setting day against Michigan with another top-notch effort at Michigan State. He matched his career-high of eight catches (established the week prior) for 80 yards and one touchdown.
- ▶ Rudolph has 23 receptions for 290 yards and three touchdowns this season. He ranks tied for 75th overall in the FBS in receptions per game (4.60) and 73rd overall in the FBS in receiving yards per game (58.00).
- ▶ Rudolph ranks among the top five tight ends in the FBS in overall receptions, receiving yards, yards per reception, receiving yards per game and receptions per game.

NCAA Tight End Reception Leaders

1. Michael Egnew, Missouri	33
2. Zack Pianalto, North Carolina	26
3. Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	23
4. Colin Franklin, Iowa State	21
5. D.J. Williams, Arkansas	19

NCAA Tight End Receiving Yards Leaders

1. Lance Kendricks, Wisconsin	316
2. Michael Egnew, Missouri	298
3. Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	290
4. Zack Pianalto, North Carolina	251
5. D.J. Williams, Arkansas	236

NCAA Tight End Yards/Reception Leaders

1. Ladarius Green, La.-Lafayette	15.86
2. Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	12.61
3. D.J. Williams, Arkansas	12.42
4. Colin Franklin, Iowa State	10.48
5. Zack Pianalto, North Carolina	9.65

NCAA Tight End Receiving Yards/Game Leaders

1. Michael Egnew, Missouri	74.50
2. Ladarius Green, La.-Lafayette	74.00
3. Lance Kendrick, Wisconsin	63.20
4. Zack Pianalto, North Carolina	62.75
5. D.J. Williams, Arkansas	59.00
6. Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	58.00

NCAA Tight End Reception/Game Leaders

1. Michael Egnew, Missouri	8.25
2. Zack Pianalto, North Carolina	6.50
3. D.J. Williams, Arkansas	4.75
4. Ladarius Green, La.-Lafayette	4.67
5. Kyle Rudolph, Notre Dame	4.60

► Rudolph hooked up with junior QB **Dayne Crist** for a 17-yard reception in the first quarter against Michigan State. He moved past Dean Masztak (1978-81) into fourth place on the all-time receiving list for Irish tight ends on the grab. Rudolph hauled in a 10-yard touchdown pass from Crist with 12:25 to go in the third quarter to tie the game, 14-14.

► Rudolph's 95-yard touchdown catch in the fourth quarter against Michigan was the second-longest reception in Notre Dame history. The school record pass play was a Blair Kiel to Joe Howard connection against Georgia Tech in 1981. It also was the longest by a Notre Dame tight end, breaking the previous mark of 78 by Mike Creaney versus Pitt in 1970.

► Rudolph equaled his career single-game high in receptions with eight and receiving yards with 164 against the Wolverines. He set a single-game school record for receiving yards by a tight end and fell one catch shy of the tight end record for catches in a game. Rudolph's total surpassed Anthony Fasano's previous mark of 155 yards in a 41-16 loss to Purdue in 2004. Ken MacAfee's nine catches (114 yards) in a 1977 victory at Purdue is still the Irish single-game record among tight ends.

Receiving Yards - Game (Tight End)

1. Kyle Rudolph, vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010	164 (8)
2. Anthony Fasano, vs. Purdue, Oct. 2, 2004	155 (8)
3. Ken MacAfee, vs. Navy, Oct. 29, 1977	130 (5)
4. John Carlson, at Michigan State, Sept. 23, 2006	121 (4)
5. Ken MacAfee, at Purdue, Sept. 24, 1977	114 (9)

► Rudolph recorded three receptions on Notre Dame's opening scoring drive against Michigan alone and two resulted in first downs. In fact, both first down grabs came on critical third down conversions.

► Rudolph hauled in five catches for 43 yards in the victory over Purdue. Three of his receptions gave Notre Dame a first down.

► Last season, Rudolph had racked up 364 yards and three touchdowns on 33 receptions before suffering a shoulder injury against Navy and not recording a catch in the team's final three games (only one of which he suited up for).

Receptions – Season (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	54 (1977)	1. Ken MacAfee	128 (1974-77)
2. John Carlson	47 (2006)	2. John Carlson	100 (2004-07)
Anthony Fasano	47 (2005)	3. Anthony Fasano	92 (2003-05)
4. Tony Hunter	42 (1982)	4. Kyle Rudolph	85 (2008-)
5. John Carlson	40 (2007)	5. *Tony Hunter	70 (1979-82)
6. Ken MacAfee	34 (1976)	6. Derek Brown	62 (1988-91)
7. Kyle Rudolph	33 (2009)	Dean Masztak	62 (1978-81)
8. Mark Bavaro	32 (1984)	8. Mark Bavaro	55 (1981-84)
9. Kyle Rudolph	29 (2008)	*played TE only in 1981-82	
10. Tony Hunter	28 (1981)		

Receiving Yards - Career (Tight End)

1. Ken MacAfee	1759 (1974-77)
2. Anthony Fasano	1102 (2003-05)
3. John Carlson	1093 (2004-07)
4. Kyle Rudolph	994 (2008-)
5. Dean Masztak	924 (1978-81)
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Touchdown Receptions - Game

1. Maurice Stovall	4	vs. Brigham Young, Oct. 22, 2005
2. 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
Eddie Anderson	3	at Northwestern, Nov. 20, 1920
Bill Barrett	3	vs. North Carolina, Nov. 12, 1949
Jim Mutscheller	3	vs. Michigan St., 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 St., Sept. 17, 2005
Maurice Stovall	3	vs. Navy, Nov. 12, 2005

Touchdown Receptions - Season

1. Golden Tate	15 (2009)
Rhema McKnight	15 (2006)
Jeff Samardzija	15 (2005)
4. Jeff Samardzija	12 (2006)
5. Derrick Mayes	11 (1994)
Maurice Stovall	11 (2005)
7. Golden Tate	10 (2008)
8. Michael Floyd	9 (2009)
Jack Snow	9 (1964)
10. Jim Seymour	8 (1966)
Tom Gatewood	8 (1969)

Touchdown Receptions - Career

1. Jeff Samardzija	27 (2003-06)
2. Golden Tate	26 (2007-09)
3. Derrick Mayes	22 (1992-95)
Rhema McKnight	22 (2002-06)
5. Tom Gatewood	19 (1969-71)
6. Michael Floyd	18 (2008-)
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. 17 players with	2

(MR: Armando Allen Jr., 2008)

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DEFENSIVE

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
5. Manti Te'o	21	vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010
6. Bob Crable	20	at Michigan, Sept. 19, 1981
7. 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

Passes Broken Up - Career

1. Clarence Ellis	32	(1969-71)
2. Luther Bradley	27	(1973-77)
3. Shane Walton	25	(1999-02)
4. Dave Waymer	22	(1976-79)
5. Todd Lyght	20.5	(1987-90)
6. Ralph Stepaniak	20	(1969-71)
7. Darrin Walls	19	(2006-)
Thomas O'Leary	19	(1965-67)
9. Vontez Duff	18	(2000-03)
10. Dave Duerson	16	(1979-82)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Field Goals - Game

1. Nick Tausch	5	vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009
Nicholas Setta	5	vs. Washington St., 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 St., Oct. 4, 1980
Chuck Male	4	at Michigan, Sept. 15, 1979

Field Goals - Season (min. 15 attempts)

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

Most Consecutive Field Goals - Season

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

FLOYD IN THE NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

► While junior WR **Michael Floyd** did not play in enough games in 2009 to be eligible for the NCAA season rankings, he is listed on the NCAA FBS active career charts in receiving yards, receiving yards per game, receiving yards per catch, receptions per game and receiving touchdowns. Floyd's 83.6 yards receiving per game ranks third in the nation among active players, while his 5.2 catches per game ranks tied for eighth. He also ranks eighth in career receiving yards per catch among active players at 16.0 yards per grab, 10th on the active career chart for receiving touchdowns with 18 and 20th in career receiving yards with 1,922.

NCAA Active Leaders - Yds/Game

1. James Cleveland, Sr., Houston	96.1
2. Eric Page, So., Toledo	88.8
3. Michael Floyd, Jr., Notre Dame	83.6
4. Conner Vernon, So., Duke	80.9
5. A.J. Green, Jr., Georgia	78.8

NCAA Active Leaders - Receptions/Game

1. James Cleveland, Sr., Houston	7.8
2. Eric Page, So., Toledo	6.5
3. Ryan Broyles, Jr., Oklahoma	6.0
Tyron Carrier, Jr., Houston	6.0
5. Patrick Edwards, Jr., Houston	5.8
8. Michael Floyd, Jr., Notre Dame	5.2

NCAA Active Leaders - Yds/Catch

1. Aldrick Robinson, Sr., SMU	17.6
2. Kris Adams, Sr., UTEP	17.4
3. DeAndre Brown, Jr., Southern Miss	16.7
4. A.J. Green, Jr., Georgia	16.3
5. Trae Johnson, Sr., Tulsa	16.2
8. Michael Floyd, Jr., Notre Dame	16.0

NCAA Active Leaders - Receiving Touchdowns

1. Austin Pettis, Sr., Boise State	33
2. Trae Johnson, Sr., Tulsa	26
3. Ryan Broyles, Jr., Oklahoma	25
Charles Clay, Sr., Tulsa	25
5. DeAndre Brown, Jr., Southern Miss	23
10. Michael Floyd, Jr., Notre Dame	18

NCAA Active Leaders - Yards

1. Greg Salas, Sr., Hawai'i	3,065
2. Jerrel Jernigan, Sr., Troy	2,689
3. Aldrick Robinson, Sr., SMU	2,434
4. Ryan Broyles, Jr., Oklahoma	2,325
5. Dwayne Harris, Sr., East Carolina	2,236
20. Michael Floyd, Jr., Notre Dame	1,922

► Junior WR **Michael Floyd** hauled in a 35-yard pass in the second quarter against Boston College to move past Tony Hunter (1979-82) into ninth place on the all-time Irish receiving yards list. He also moved into a tie with Hunter for 10th on the all-time Irish receptions list (120).

Receiving Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	2707	(2007-09)
2. Jeff Samardzija	2593	(2003-06)
3. Derrick Mayes	2512	(1992-95)
4. Tim Brown	2493	(1984-87)
5. Tom Gatewood	2283	(1969-71)
6. Rhema McKnight	2277	(2002-06)
7. Maurice Stovall	2195	(2002-05)
8. Jim Seymour	2113	(1966-68)
9. Michael Floyd	1922	(2008-)
10. Tony Hunter	1897	(1979-82)

Receptions - Career

1. Jeff Samardzija	179	(2003-06)
2. Rhema McKnight	170	(2002-06)
3. Golden Tate	157	(2007-09)
Tom Gatewood	157	(1969-71)
5. Jim Seymour	138	(1966-68)
6. Tim Brown	137	(1984-87)
7. Maurice Stovall	130	(2002-05)
8. Derrick Mayes	129	(1992-95)
9. Ken MacAfee	128	(1974-77)
10. Michael Floyd	120	(2008-)
Tony Hunter	120	(1979-82)

► Floyd has now recorded a reception in 13 straight games (excluding games he missed due to injury). Floyd has a reception in 22 of the 23 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 blocking down field.

► Floyd registered a 10-yard reception late in the first quarter against Stanford that moved him into 10th place all-time in Notre Dame history for receiving yards. He moved past of former All-American tight end Ken MacAfee (1,759; 1974-77). Floyd finished the game with eight catches for 110 yards. He eclipsed 100 yards receiving for the first time this season and 10th in his career. Floyd stands alone in third place in career 100-yard receiving games. He trails only Golden Tate (15, 2007-09) and Tom Gatewood (13, 1969-71).

► Floyd has played in 23 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 10 career 100-yard receiving games over the other 21 games played.

Games with 100 Yards - Season

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

Games with 100 Yards - Career

1. Golden Tate	15	(2007-09)
2. Tom Gatewood	13	(1969-71)
3. Michael Floyd	10	(2008-)
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)

► Floyd has registered a touchdown pass against Michigan State in each of the last three years. He has also now recorded four career multi-TD catch games. Floyd registered a 24-yard touchdown reception with 13:20 to go in the fourth quarter to give the Irish a 28-21 lead. The touchdown catch was his second of the game, second of the season and 18th of his career. With 18 career touchdown catches, he is now tied with Maurice Stovall (2002-05) for sixth on the Irish all-time touchdown receptions list. Floyd hauled in a seven-yard touchdown reception from Crist with 5:28 left in first quarter to give Irish a 7-0 lead.

► Floyd has 18 career receiving touchdowns in just 22 games for Notre Dame. He is tied with Maurice Stovall (2002-05) for sixth on the all-time Notre Dame receiving touchdowns list. His nine receiving touchdowns in 2009 rank tied for eighth-best in single-season Irish history.

Touchdown Receptions – Season

1. Golden Tate	15 (2009)
Rhema McKnight	15 (2006)
Jeff Samardzija	15 (2005)
4. Jeff Samardzija	12 (2006)
5. Derrick Mayes	11 (1994)
Maurice Stovall	11 (2005)
7. Golden Tate	10 (2008)
8. Michael Floyd	9 (2009)
Jack Snow	9 (1964)
10. Jim Seymour	8 (1966)
Tom Gatewood	8 (1969)

Touchdown Receptions – Career

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

- Floyd had five catches for 66 yards in the loss to Michigan.
- Floyd had five receptions for 82 yards in the victory over Purdue.
- Had Floyd met the NCAA requirement of playing in 75 percent of the team's games in 2009 his 113.6 yards per game would have ranked sixth nationally. Floyd and Golden Tate would have been the only receiving tandem to rank top 10 nationally in that statistic. His 18.1 yards per catch would have also earned him 12th place on the NCAA season leader list as well.
- Floyd led all FBS wideouts in the nation with a 29.09 yards per catch average and was tied for the nation's lead in receiving touchdowns with four (among NCAA qualifying receivers) before suffering a broken collarbone in the second quarter of Notre Dame's 33-30 victory over Michigan State in 2009.
- Floyd recorded four catches for 189 yards and three touchdowns in the 35-0 rout of Nevada in last season's 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.

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 became the fourth Irish wideout to ever post two career receptions of over 70 yards and the first to ever accomplish the feat in the same game. Nick Eddy had 74 and 91 yard catches during the 1964 season, Tim Brown had 84 and 77 yard receptions in 1986 and Jeff Samardzija had 73 and 80 yard grabs during 2005.

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. Brigham Young, 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

► Floyd set a career-high for longest reception when he raced 88 yards for a touchdown with 10:12 left in the third quarter against Nevada in 2009. The 88-yard reception is the fourth-longest in Notre Dame football history and was the longest since Nov. 7, 1981 when Blair Kiel found Joe Howard for a school record 96 yards.

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. Tim Brown	84	vs. SMU, Nov. 8, 1986
Jim Seymour	84	vs. Purdue, Sept. 24, 1966

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Most Consecutive Field Goals - Career

1. Nick Tausch	Michigan '09 – Washington St. '09	14
2. David Ruffer	Pittsburgh '09 – Current	13
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 St. '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 St. '79	8
John Carney	Air Force '86 – Penn St. '86	8

Field Goal Attempts - Season

1. John Carney	28 (1986)
2. Nicholas Setta	25 (2002)
3. Brandon Walker	24 (2008)
4. Harry Oliver	23 (1980)
5. John Carney	22 (1985)
Mike Johnston	22 (1982)
7. Mike Johnston	21 (1983)

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 current)	
6. Mike Johnson	53
(10-18-80 vs. Army to 11-19-83 vs. Air Force)	
7. Ted Gradel	35
(11-8-86 vs. SMU to 11-28-87 vs. Miami)	

Extra Points Percentage - Season (min. 20 made)

1. Craig Hentrich, 1991	48-48 (1.000)
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)
10. Nicholas Setta, 2000	44-45 (.978)
Craig Hentrich, 1989	44-45 (.978)

Extra Points Percentage - Career (min. 50 made)

1. Nicholas Setta, 2000-03	104-105 (99.0)
2. Brandon Walker, 2007-	61-62 (98.4)
3. Craig Hentrich, 1989-92	177-180 (98.3)
4. Mike Johnston, 1980-83	53-54 (98.1)
5. Bob Thomas, 1971-73	98-101 (97.0)
6. D.J. Fitzpatrick, 2002-05	103-107 (96.3)

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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	

Points by Kicking - Season

1. Craig Henrich	16fg, 41xp, 89pts (1990)
2. Kevin Pendergast	14fg, 45xp, 87pts (1993)
John Carney	21fg, 24 xp, 87pts (1986)
4. D.J. Fitzpatrick	11fg, 52xp, 85pts (2005)
5. Brandon Walker	14fg, 39xp, 81pts (2008)
6. John Carney	17fg, 25xp, 76pts (1984)
Mike Johnston	19fg, 19xp, 76pts (1982)
8. Nicholas Setta	14fg, 32xp, 74pts (2002)
Craig Henrich	10fg, 44xp, 74pts (1992)

Kickoff Returns - Game

1. George Gipp	8-157	vs. Army, Oct. 30, 1920
2. Julius Jones	7-163	vs. Pittsburgh, Nov. 13, 1999
3. 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 State, Nov. 10, 1951

Kickoff Returns - Season

1. Theo Riddick	37-849 (2009)
2. Armando Allen Jr.	33-704 (2007)
3. Golden Tate	26-521 (2008)
Julius Jones	26-603 (1999)
5. Tim Brown	25-698 (1986)
6. Tony Driver	23-512 (1998)
Tim Brown	23-456 (1987)
8. Armando Allen Jr.	21-543 (2008)
9. Allen Rossum	20-570 (1997)
Raghib Ismail	20-502 (1989)

Kickoff Returns - Career

1. Julius Jones	72-1678 (1999-2001, '03)
2. Tim Brown	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Armando Allen Jr.	54-1247 (2007-)
4. Jim Stone	49-1079 (1977-80)
5. Vontez Duff	47-1230 (2000-03)
Tony Driver	47-1083 (1997-2000)
7. Raghib Ismail	46-1271 (1988-90)
8. Golden Tate	44-909 (2007-09)
9. Theo Riddick	38-868 (2009-)
10. Terry Eurick	32-739 (1974-77)

► 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. Floyd had 48 receptions for 719 yards last year. He established new school records for receptions (48), receiving yards (719) and receiving touchdowns (7) by an Irish freshman. 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 Raghib "Rocket" Ismail and Derek Brown in 1988 and Derrick Mayes in 1992 – mighty impressive company for Floyd to join.

ARMANDO ALLEN JR., JACK OF ALL TRADES

► Notre Dame senior RB **Armando Allen Jr.** has been one of the most versatile running backs in Irish history. Allen Jr. has not only rushed for 2,022 yards in his career, but hauled in 116 receptions for 802 yards, added 1,247 yards on kickoff returns and another 113 yards on punt returns. In all, Allen Jr. has totaled 4,184 all-purpose yards in his career, which ranks sixth-best in school history.

► Allen Jr. has led the Irish in rushing in each of their first five games.

► Allen Jr. now ranks tied for 10th all-time in Notre Dame history in career carries. He also needs just 252 yards rushing to move into the top 10 all-time at Notre Dame.

Attempts - Career

1. Allen Pinkett	889 (1982-85)
2. Autry Denson	854 (1995-98)
3. Darius Walker	693 (2004-06)
4. Vagas Ferguson	673 (1976-79)
5. Julius Jones	634 (1999-01, '03)
6. Jerome Heavens	590 (1975-78)
7. Ryan Grant	560 (2001-04)
8. Phil Carter	557 (1979-82)
9. Neil Worden	476 (1951-53)
10. Armando Allen Jr.	442 (2007-)

Yards - Career

1. Autry Denson, 1995-98	854	5.1	4318
2. Allen Pinkett, 1982-85	889	4.6	4131
3. Vagas Ferguson, 1976-79	673	5.2	3472
4. Darius Walker, 2004-06	693	4.7	3249
5. Julius Jones, 1999-01, '03	634	4.8	3018
6. Jerome Heavens, 1975-78	590	4.5	2682
7. Phil Carter, 1979-82	557	4.3	2409
8. George Gipp, 1917-20	369	6.3	2341
9. Randy Kinder, 1993-96	404	5.7	2295
10. Tony Brooks, 1987-91	423	5.4	2274
-- Armando Allen Jr., 2007-	423	4.6	2022

► Allen Jr. registered a career-long 30-yard run on Notre Dame's opening touchdown drive against Boston College.

► Allen Jr. registered a six-yard rush before fumbling, but the yards moved him past Golden Tate (2007-09) into sixth place on the all-time Notre Dame all-purpose yards list.

► Allen Jr. sits three yards behind Raghib Ismail (4,187, 1988-90) for fifth all-time.

Most Career All-Purpose Yards

	Total	Rush	Rec.	PR	KR	Years
1. Julius Jones	5462	3108	250	426	1678	1999-2003
2. Autry Denson	5327	4318	432	273	304	1995-98
3. Allen Pinkett	5259	4131	774	-	354	1982-85
4. Tim Brown	5024	442	2493	476	1613	1984-87
5. Raghib Ismail	4187	1015	1565	336	1271	1988-90
6. Armando Allen Jr.	4184	2022	802	113	1247	2007-
7. Golden Tate	4130	227	2707	287	909	2007-09
8. Darius Walker	4065	3249	816	-	-	2004-06
9. Vagas Ferguson	3838	3742	366	-	-	1976-79
10. Johnny Lattner	3116	1724	581	307	376	1951-53

► Allen Jr. scored from two yards out to give Notre Dame a 31-13 lead with 4:39 remaining in the third quarter against Boston College. The touchdown rush was Allen's second of the season and eighth of his career.

► Allen Jr. totaled 141 all-purpose yards against Michigan State. He rushed 13 times for 71 yards (5.5/carry) and collected six catches for 70 yards. Allen became the eighth player in the history of Notre Dame football to eclipse 4,000 career all-purpose yards.

► With his sixth reception against Michigan State, Allen moved into first place all-time on the Irish receptions list for running backs with 110 career catches. He bested the previous school record of 109 held by Darius Walker (2004-06). Allen's 18-yard reception in the first quarter was also his longest of the season.

► Allen Jr. recorded a then career-best 29-yard run in the third quarter against Michigan. It bested his previous career-long rush of 26 yards against Connecticut on Nov. 21, 2009.

► Allen Jr. also ranks in the top 15 among all active players in all-purpose running plays (ninth, 621), all-purpose running yards per play (13th, 6.74) and all-purpose running yards (14th, 4.184). He also ranks tied for 11th in two-point conversions made with two.

► Allen Jr. rushed for a team-high 89 yards on 15 carries in the loss to Michigan. He added a nine-yard reception and nine-yard punt return.

► Allen Jr. rushed for a game-high 93 yards on 18 carries in the victory over Purdue. He also added a career-best 38-yard punt return.

► Allen Jr. did not participate in enough games in 2009 to qualify (missed the Purdue, Washington State, Navy and Stanford games due to an ankle injury), but would have ranked among the top FBS running backs in the nation in rushing yards per game (87.1, 41st) and yards per rush (4.91, t-66th). He would have also ranked 70th in the nation in all-purpose yards per game (114.1).

► Allen Jr. became the second running back in Notre Dame history to eclipse 100 career receptions. His 112 career receptions rank atop the all-time list for Notre Dame running backs. He eclipsed Darius Walker's (109, 2004-06) previous school record. Allen Jr. also ranks tied for fifth all-time in career receiving yards by an Irish running back.

Receptions - Career (Running Back)

1. Armando Allen Jr.	116 (2007-)
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. Nick Eddy	44 (1964-66)

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. Marc Edwards	25 (1995)
Mark Green	25 (1986)

Receiving Yards - Career (Running Back)

1. Joseph Heap	1137 (1951-54)
2. Bob Gladieux	947 (1966-68)
3. Jim Morse	902 (1954-56)
4. Darius Walker	816 (2004-06)
5. Armando Allen Jr.	802 (2007-)
6. Allen Pinkett	774 (1982-85)
7. Nick Eddy	708 (1964-66)
8. Bob Scarpitto	616 (1958-60)
9. John Lattner	613 (1951-53)
10. Mark Green	611 (1985-88)

WILLIAMS, NEAL IN INK

► Senior NG **Ian Williams** and senior LB **Kerry Neal** each played in their 42nd career game last week. They are the only two Irish players to see action in every game since 2007.

THE JACKSON FIVE

► Freshman WR **Bennett Jackson** has already registered a team-leading five solo tackles on special teams. He recorded four solo stops in his Irish debut against Purdue and added another tackle against Michigan.
 ► Jackson raced 43 yards on his first career kickoff return, the longest return of the season for Notre Dame, against Boston College. He finished the game with 111 yards on four kickoff returns, good for a 27.8 yard average.

TJ JONES MAKING AN IMMEDIATE IMPACT

► Freshman WR **TJ Jones** was the first Irish freshman wideout in school history to catch touchdown passes in each of his first two career games.
 ► Jones hauled in a 53-yard touchdown pass from Crist with 12:42 to go in the third quarter against Michigan to bring the Irish with seven points, 21-14. He recorded a five-yard touchdown reception with 10:20 left in the third quarter against Purdue to give Notre Dame a 20-3 lead.
 ► Jones had already become the second freshman wideout in Notre Dame history to register a touchdown in the Irish season opener.

DAVID RUFFER'S BAKER DOZEN

► Senior walk-on PK **David Ruffer** has converted 13 consecutive field goals. The 13 straight field goals is tied for the second-longest streak in school history, but even more amazing is the fact that the streak has opened Ruffer's collegiate kicking career. He is a perfect 13 of 13 on field goals since attempting his first career field goal against Pittsburgh last season.
 ► The 13 consecutive field goals to open a career equals the longest such streak at Notre Dame. Mike Johnston made the first 13 field goal attempts in his career (was the school record for consecutive field goals until sophomore PK **Nick Tausch** broke in 2009) during the 1982 season.
 ► Ironically enough, Johnston was also a senior walk-on.
 ► Ruffer is one of only three kickers in the Football Bowl Subdivision still perfect through at least eight field goal attempts

Most Consecutive Field Goals – Career

1. Nick Tausch	Michigan 2009 – Washington State 2009	14
2. David Ruffer	Pittsburgh 2009 – Current	13
3. Mike Johnston	Michigan 1982 – Oregon 1982	13
4. John Carney	Navy 1984 – Michigan 1985	10
5. Nicholas Setta	USC 2000 – USC 2001	9
Nicholas Setta	Washington State 2003 – Purdue 2003	9
D.J. Fitzpatrick	Navy 2003 – BYU 2004	9
8. Chuck Male	Miami 1978 – Georgia Tech 1978	8
Chuck Male	Michigan 1979 – Michigan State 1979	8
John Carney	Air Force 1986 – Penn State 1986	8

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Kickoff Return Yards - Season

1. Theo Riddick	37-849 (2009)
2. Armando Allen Jr.	33-704 (2007)
3. Tim Brown	25-698 (1986)
4. Julius Jones	26-603 (1999)
5. Allen Rossum	20-570 (1997)
6. Armando Allen Jr.	21-543 (2008)
7. Vontez Duff	19-526 (2002)
8. Golden Tate	26-521 (2008)
9. Tony Driver	23-512 (1998)
10. Raghib Ismail	20-502 (1989)

Kickoff Return Yards - Career

1. Julius Jones	72-1678 (1999-2001, '03)
2. Tim Brown	69-1613 (1984-87)
3. Raghib Ismail	46-1271 (1988-90)
4. Armando Allen Jr.	54-1247 (2007-)
5. Vontez Duff	47-1230 (2000-03)
6. Tony Driver	47-1083 (1997-2000)
Jim Stone	49-1079 (1977-80)
8. Golden Tate	44-909 (2007-09)
9. Allen Rossum	29-891 (1994-97)
10. Theo Riddick	38-868 (2009-)

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. Armando Allen Jr.	704 (704 KR, 0 PR); 2007
7. Allen Rossum	653 (570 KR, 83 PR); 1997
8. Golden Tate	637 (521 KR, 116 PR); 2008
9. Raghib Ismail	615 (502 KR, 113 PR); 1989
10. Armando Allen Jr.	609 (543 KR, 66 PR); 2008

Total Kick/Punt Return Yards - Career

1. Julius Jones	2104 (1678 KR, 426 PR); 1999-03
2. Tim Brown	2089 (1613 KR, 476 PR); 1984-87
3. Vontez Duff	1955 (1230 KR, 725 PR); 2000-03
4. Raghib Ismail	1607 (1271 KR, 336 PR); 1988-90
5. Armando Allen Jr.	1360 (1247, 113 PR); 2007-
6. Allen Rossum	1318 (891 KR, 427 PR); 1994-97
7. Golden Tate	1196 (909 KR, 287 PR); 2007-09
8. Tony Driver	1083 (1083 KR, 0 PR); 1997-2000
9. Jim Stone	1079 (1079 KR, 0 PR); 1977-80

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.

29 - 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.

102 - Out of 121 years in which Notre Dame has finished with a winning record.

122 - Years of college football (including 2010).

184 - Selections on All-America first teams.

217 - Consecutive sellouts at Notre Dame Stadium.

215 - Consecutive games streak televised nationally or regionally.

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

466 - Irish players drafted in the National Football League.

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

► Ruffer has also connected on a field goal in eight straight games, each game in which he has served as the Irish place kicker. The eight consecutive games with a field goal is the longest streak by a Notre Dame kicker since Nicholas Setta set the school record with a field goal in 16 straight games (2000-02).

► Ruffer connected on a 37-yard field goal with 5:22 remaining in the first half to give the Irish a 24-13 lead over Boston College.

► Ruffer connected on all three field goal attempts in the victory over Purdue, including a career-long kick of 46 yards. He added a 24-yard field goal in the loss to Michigan.

► Ruffer converted a 22-yard field goal with 8:11 to go in the first quarter against Stanford to give the Irish a 3-0 lead. He added a 40-yard field with 13:22 remaining in the second quarter to cut the Cardinal lead to 10-6.

► Ruffer was true from 33 yards in overtime against Michigan State.

TAUSCH, RUFFER SOLIDIFY IRISH KICKING GAME

► The kicking tandem of Tausch and Ruffer put together one of the most accurate kicking seasons in Notre Dame history in 2009. Tausch connected on 14 consecutive field goals - a Notre Dame school record. The previous school record was held by Mike Johnston, who made 13 straight during the 1982 season. He not only equaled the school record for field goals in a game with five against Washington, but became the first place kicker to register five field goals in a game without a miss.

► Tausch finished the season 14-of-17 on field goals. He finished in a tie for fifth in single-season history for field goals made.

► Ruffer served as the Irish place kicker over the final three games of the 2009 season and converted all five of his attempts, including a pair of then career-long 42-yard kicks at Pittsburgh and Stanford.

► The two combined to hit 19-of-22 field goals on the season.

KELLY'S WINNING WAYS

► Since 2007, Notre Dame head coach **Brian Kelly** has compiled the eighth-most wins of any active NCAA FBS coach. Kelly has gone on to win 35 contests (35-9 overall). The only coaches ahead of Kelly in that time frame are Chris Peterson of Boise State (40), Urban Meyer of Florida (39), Mack Brown of Texas (38), Nick Saban of Alabama (38), Jim Tressel of Ohio State (37), Kyle Whittingham of Utah (36) and Gary Patterson of TCU (36).

► Along with being near the top in outright wins, Kelly also sits in eighth place in win percentage amongst FBS coaches. With his 35-9 mark, he holds a .795 winning percentage over the past four years. Peterson (.909), Brown (.864) and Meyer (.848) rank one, two and three respectively. Tressel (.841), Whittingham (.837), Saban (.826) and Patterson (.818) sit just ahead of Kelly.

► Here is a look at the top 10 winningest active coaches since 2007:

Name, School	W	L	Pct.
1. Chris Peterson, Boise State	40	4	.909
2. Mack Brown, Texas	38	6	.864
3. Urban Meyer, Florida	39	7	.848
4. Jim Tressel, Ohio State	37	7	.841
5. Kyle Whittingham, Utah	36	7	.837
6. Nick Saban, Alabama	38	8	.826
7. Gary Patterson, TCU	36	8	.818
8. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	35	9	.795
9. Joe Paterno, Penn State	34	10	.773
10. Bronco Mendenhall, BYU	33	11	.750

► Here is a look at the top 10 winningest active coaches in the FBS (minimum five years 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. Urban Meyer, Florida	10	100	19	0	.840
2. Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	12	122	29	0	.808
3. Gary Patterson, TCU	11	90	28	0	.763
4. Joe Paterno, Penn State	45	397	131	3	.750
5. Jim Tressel, Ohio State	25	234	78	2	.748
6. Mark Richt, Georgia	10	91	31	0	.746
7. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	20	173	60	2	.740
8. Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech	14	130	48	0	.730
9. Bobby Petrino, Arkansas	7	57	22	0	.722
10. Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	21	180	69	2	.721

Winningest Active NCAA FBS Coaches (By Victories)

Name, School	Years	W	L	T	Pct.
1. Joe Paterno, Penn State	45	397	131	3	.750
2. Jim Tressel, Ohio State	25	234	78	2	.748
3. Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	30	232	116	4	.665
4. Mack Brown, Texas	27	217	103	1	.678
5. Chris Ault, Nevada	26	211	96	1	.687
6. Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	21	180	69	2	.721
7. Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	20	173	60	2	.740
8. Dennis Erickson, Arizona State	22	169	86	1	.662
9. Mike Price, UTEP	29	167	161	0	.509
10. Howard Schnellenberger, Florida Atlantic	26	154	135	3	.533

2010: YEAR ONE FOR HEAD COACH BRIAN KELLY

- ▶ As Brian Kelly continues his first season with the Irish, here are a few notes on Notre Dame's head coaches in their inaugural year.
- ▶ The previous 28 head football coaches in Notre Dame history have combined to amass a 177-63-12 (.726) record in their first year at the helm. Since 1913, Jesse Harper's first season, Irish coaches have compiled a 112-44-5 (.711) in their initial campaign, including interim coaches Hugh Devore and Ed McKeever.
- ▶ Since Notre Dame Stadium was opened in 1930, six Notre Dame coaches - Hunk Anderson, McKeever, Ara Parseghian, Dan Devine, Tyrone Willingham and Charlie Weis - have opened away from home in their first season - going 6-0 in those games.
- ▶ Since 1913, five Notre Dame coaches - Layden, Parseghian, Holtz, Willingham and Weis - have taken over a program the year after his predecessor turned in a .500 or worse record. All but Holtz, who went 5-6 in 1986, posted a winning record in his first season and the quintet had a combined 39-16 (.709) record in such seasons. The 2009 Irish went 6-6 under Weis.
- ▶ Kelly was the first Irish coach to begin his Notre Dame tenure with the first two games inside Notre Dame Stadium since Terry Brennan in 1954 (21-0 victory vs. No. 4 Texas, 27-14 loss vs. No. 19 Purdue). Elmer Layden (1934) and Frank Leahy (1941) also opened their respective Notre Dame coaching careers with back-to-back home games. Layden split contests against Texas and Purdue, while Leahy upended Arizona and Indiana. Jesse Harper (1913) also opened his career with consecutive home games (87-0 rout vs. Ohio Northern, 20-7 victory over South Dakota).
- ▶ The last Notre Dame coach to post a winning record in his first season with the Irish was Weis, who went 9-3 in 2005. The last Irish coach to turn in a sub-.500 season in his first year was Lou Holtz, whose 1986 team finished 5-6.
- ▶ The longest winning streak for a Notre Dame head coach to begin his career with the Irish is nine games, by Harper (1913-14) and Parseghian (1964).
- ▶ Kelly was the first Notre Dame coach to face Purdue at home in his first game with the Irish.

2010 NOTRE DAME OPPONENT UPDATE

- ▶ Notre Dame once again played one of the nation's toughest schedules in 2009, as it faced eight teams that appeared in bowl games (Nevada, Michigan State, USC, Boston College, Navy, Pittsburgh, UConn and Stanford).
- ▶ This season could prove to be just as tough as the Irish face seven teams that went to bowl games in 2009, including 2008 undefeated, Sugar Bowl champions and second-ranked Utah. Notre Dame also will play three teams that finished in the AP Top 25 (No. 15 Pittsburgh, No. 18 Utah, No. 22 USC). The following is a list of 2010 Notre Dame opponents and how they fared last week:

Opponent	'10 Record	Last Week (Result)
Purdue	2-2	Bye
No. 18 Michigan	5-0	W, 42-35 at Indiana
No. 17 at Michigan State	5-0	W, 34-24 vs. No. 20 Wisconsin
No. 16 Stanford	4-1	L, 31-52 at No. 3 Oregon
at Boston College	2-2	L, 13-31 vs. Notre Dame
Pittsburgh	2-2	W, 44-17 vs. FIU
Western Michigan	1-3	L, 13-33 vs. Idaho
vs. Navy	2-2	L, 6-14 at Air Force
Tulsa	3-2	W, 48-7 vs. Memphis
No. 10 Utah	4-0	Bye
vs. Army	3-2	L, 35-42 vs. Temple
at USC	4-1	L, 31-32 vs. Washington

Notre Dame 2010 Opponents' Combined Record: 37-17 (.685)

- ▶ Notre Dame is one of only two Football Bowl Subdivision schools to have played teams from a BCS conference in each of the first five weeks (LSU is the other). In fact, the Irish were one of only three schools in the FBS to have already played three opponents ranked in this week's Associated Press top-25 poll (San Jose State and Tennessee are the others).
- ▶ The Irish hope to see continued dividends from playing one of the more difficult football schedules in the country to date (Notre Dame's past opposition is rated ninth nationally in NCAA statistics in degree of difficulty with a combined 10-3 record for a .769 percentage). The three teams that have beaten Notre Dame to date are a combined 14-1 - with No. 18 Michigan and No. 17 Michigan State both 5-0 heading to their showdown this week, and No. 16 Stanford's only loss coming on the road against an unbeaten and third-ranked Oregon team.

**Notre Dame
"Money" Plays**

MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Armando Allen Jr.	18	2	19	80
Dayne Crist	5	2	7	20
Cierre Wood	4	0	4	17
Jonas Gray	3	0	3	8
Nate Montana	1	0	1	4
Totals	31	4	34	139

MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Michael Floyd	19	2	20	28
Theo Riddick	15	3	16	30
Kyle Rudolph	13	3	14	23
TJ Jones	6	2	7	10
John Goodman	6	0	6	8
Armando Allen Jr.	5	0	5	14
Cierre Wood	2	0	2	4
Duval Kamara	1	0	1	1
Robert Hughes	1	0	1	2
Tyler Eifert	1	0	1	1
Totals	69	10	73	122

3RD DOWN MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Dayne Crist	3	1	4	7
Armando Allen Jr.	2	0	2	5
Jonas Gray	1	0	1	1
Cierre Wood	1	0	1	2
Totals	7	1	8	18

3RD DOWN MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Michael Floyd	6	0	6	6
Kyle Rudolph	5	1	5	10
Theo Riddick	4	1	4	6
John Goodman	2	0	2	2
TJ Jones	0	1	1	2
Armando Allen Jr.	1	0	1	2
Totals	18	3	19	29

4TH DOWN MONEY RUSHERS

	1st	TD	No.	Att.
Jonas Gray	0	0	0	1
Dayne Crist	0	0	0	1
Totals	0	0	0	2

4TH DOWN MONEY RECEPTIONS

	1st	TD	No.	Rec.
Totals	0	0	0	0

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

Notre Dame Football Replay Affiliates

DMA	Station	Homes
NY/NJ/PA/Conn	YES Network	12,781,515
Ill/IN/IA/WIS	Comcast SportsNet Chicago	4,800,000
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18	included
Atlanta (GA/FLA)	Comcast Sports Southeast	5,700,000
NC/PA/DC/MD/DEL/VA/WVA	Mid-Atlantic Sports Network	4,500,000
Cleveland and Ohio	SportsTime Ohio	2,800,000
N.Orleans-ARK/FL/LA	Cox Sports Television	1,500,000
Nashville Dropin	WKAG TV 43	130,000
Louisville	WKYI TV & WNDA Indiana 9	300,000
Providence (RI&Conn)	Cox Sports	300,000
Wichita-Hutchinson	KGPT TV 49 & KSMI TV 41	445,860
Toledo	WMNT-TV	424,670
Huntsville	WYAM TV 51	550,000
Rochester, NY	WRWB TV 16/TW SpNet	300,000
South Bend	CW25	300,000
Montana & Wyoming	The Big Sky Ch/Tetons TV	280,000
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27	37,000
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV My 8	120,000
Clarksburg/ManningtonWV	TKMI Broadcasting	180,650
Direct TV-WHT National	DIRECT TV 321	22,000,000
Sky Angel IPTV-National		200,000
21 affiliates		57,649,695

Inside Notre Dame Football Affiliates

New York (NY/NJ/CN/PA)	SNY Sports Net New York Yes Network	12,781,515
Chicago LP	W18AT TV 18	included
Chicago (IL/IN/IA/WI)	Comcast SportsNet Chicago	4,800,000
FLORIDA	Sun Sports Network	6,000,000
DC/DEL/MD/NC/PA/VA/WVA	Mid Atlantic Sports Network (MASN)	4,500,000
IL/IN/MO/NE/KA/IA	Fox Sports Midwest	4,300,000
New England	New England Sports Network (NESN)	3,800,000
Cleveland & All Ohio	SportsTime Ohio (Indians)	2,800,000
Pittsburgh	Fox Sports Pitt (PA,WV,NY,MD,OH)	2,000,000
Indy/Ft.Wayne/Lafayette	Xfinity Channel 81	500,000
Louisville	WKYI CH 24 & WNDA Indiana 9	300,000
Providence (RI & Conn)	Cox Cable Sports	300,000
Wichita	KGPT TV49	445,860
Toledo	WMNT-TV	424,670
Huntsville	WYAM TV 51	550,000
Rochester NY	WRWB TV 16/Time Warner SportsNet	335,000
South Bend-Elkhart	WNDU-TV	334,720
Montana & Wyoming	The Big Sky Channel & Tetons TV	280,000
Evansville-Jasper	WJTS TV 27	37,000
Binghamton LP	WBPN TV MY 8	120,000
Clarksburg/ManningtonWV	TKMI Broadcasting	180,650
Direct TV WHT-National	DIRECT TV 321	22,000,000
Sky Angel-IPTV-National		200,000
On Demand from Xfinity Worldwide	und.com	
25 affiliates		66,989,415

► Being left out of the preseason poll is not always a bad indicator for Notre Dame or first-year head coach Brian Kelly, especially in recent years. Three times in the last 10 years (2000, 2002 and 2005) the Irish have been ranked in the final top 25 after not being ranked in the preseason poll. Only Boise State (five), Clemson (four), Boston College (four) and Oregon State (four) have had more final top 25 rankings without a preseason top 25 in the last 10 years.

► Interestingly enough, Cincinnati has also been ranked in the final top 25 after not being ranked in the preseason poll on three separate occasions and each came under Kelly's guidance (2007, 2008 and 2009).

Schools	No	Years
Boise State	5	2002 (15), 2003 (16), 2004 (12), 2006 (5), 2008 (11)
Clemson	4	2003 (22), 2005 (21), 2007 (21), 2009 (24)
Boston College	4	2001 (21), 2004 (21), 2006 (20), 2007 (11)
Oregon State	4	2000 (4), 2006 (21), 2007 (25), 2008 (18)
Notre Dame	3	2000 (15), 2002 (17), 2005 (9)
Cincinnati	3	2007 (17), 2008 (17), 2009 (8)
Oregon	3	2000 (7), 2005 (13), 2007 (23)
BYU	3	2001 (25), 2006 (16), 2007 (14)
Iowa	3	2002 (8), 2003 (8), 2008 (20)
Pittsburgh	3	2002 (19), 2004 (25), 2009 (15)
TCU	3	2002 (23), 2005 (11), 2008 (7)
West Virginia	3	2002 (25), 2005 (5), 2009 (25)
Texas Tech	3	2004 (18), 2007 (22), 2009 (21)
Wisconsin	3	2005 (15), 2006 (7), 2009 (16)

* thanks to research published by the Clemson SID office

ONLY THE BIG BOYS

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

IRISH HURT BY STANFORD ON THIRD DOWN

► Notre Dame entered the game vs. Stanford ranked 18th in the FBS in third down defense. The Irish had limited their first three opponents to just 28 percent (14 of 50), but Stanford converted six of its first seven third down attempts.

► The Cardinal finished the first half seven of nine on third down. Stanford's seven third-down conversions were more than each of Notre Dame's first three opponents in the entire game: Purdue (five), Michigan (three) and Michigan State (six).

► Notre Dame limited its first three opponents to 1 of 13 on third-down plays of 10 yards or longer. In the first half alone, Stanford converted a pair of such third-down attempts (11 and 10 yards).

► Stanford finished the game with 11 third-down conversions in 15 attempts. An Irish opponent has not converted more third-down attempts than Stanford's 11 since Michigan had 12 third-down conversions on Sept. 13, 2003.

DEFENSE MORE THAN HELD ITS OWN AGAINST STANFORD STATISTICALLY

► Stanford committed just two turnovers over its first three games, but the Irish forced three Cardinal turnovers.

► Notre Dame had forced three turnovers over its first three games, but had three alone against Stanford.

► The Irish picked off two passes from Cardinal standout QB Andrew Luck, the first two interceptions of the season for the signal caller. In fact, Luck had not been picked off twice in the same game in any of his previous 16 career starts.

► Notre Dame sophomore S **Zeke Motta** recovered a Stanford muffed punt to setup Notre Dame's first score of the afternoon. Motta recovered the fumble at the Cardinal 21-yard line.

► Notre Dame junior S **Jamoris Slaughter** picked off his first career pass to negate a possible Stanford scoring chance. Irish junior CB **Robert Blanton** broke up the pass attempt and Slaughter caught the ball at the Irish two-yard line. The interception was Luck's first of the season.

► Notre Dame senior CB **Darrin Walls** added his second interception of the season and fourth of his career. He also picked off a pass in the season opener against Purdue.

► Stanford entered the contest with Notre Dame ranked 14th in the FBS in rushing at 242.33 yards per game. The Cardinal also averaged 5.8 yards on the ground per rush. The Irish limited Stanford to just 3.8 yards rushing per carry (166 yards on 44 carries), which was a full two yards below its season average. The Cardinal running backs averaged a mere 3.6 yards per carry.

► Notre Dame allowed only one rush longer than 10 yards (Andrew Luck's 11 yard escape), which was a significant improvement over the first three games of the season when the Irish allowed a total of 21 rushes of 10 yards or longer.

MICHIGAN STATE-NOTRE DAME: HAVE WE FINALLY SEEN IT ALL

- ▶ Notre Dame played in its first overtime contest of 2010 last Saturday night and fourth over the last three years.
- ▶ The Irish and Spartans have played in two overtime contests in series history.
- ▶ Notre Dame drops to 3-8 all-time in overtime games and 0-2 against the Spartans.
- ▶ This season's edition of the rivalry marked the sixth time in the last seven meetings that the winning team in the Michigan State-Notre Dame series scored 30 or more points.
- ▶ Over the last 11 meetings (dating back to 2000), the Notre Dame-Michigan State game has been decided by a touchdown or less on nine different occasions, with the game-winning score coming late in the fourth quarter or overtime in eight of the 11 meetings. Here's a breakdown of the nail-biting heroics:

2000: Herb Haygood 68-yard TD pass from Jeff Smoker with 1:48 left in the 4th quarter (MSU 27-21).

2001: Charles Rogers 47-yard TD pass from Ryan Van Dyke with 7:51 left in the 4th quarter (MSU 17-10).

2002: Arnaz Battle 60-yard TD pass from Pat Dillingham with 1:15 left in the 4th quarter (ND 21-17).

2003: Greg Taplin 40-yard INT return with 6:55 left in the 4th quarter (MSU 22-16).

2004: Notre Dame builds a 28-7 third quarter lead before MSU rallies with 17 points in 31-24 ND win.

2005: Jason Teague's 19-yd TD run in the first overtime gave the Spartans a 44-41 victory in Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish had rallied from a 21-point deficit to force overtime.

2006: Notre Dame CB Terrail Lambert intercepts Michigan State quarterback Drew Stanton and returns it 27 yards for the go-ahead touchdown with 2:53 remaining as the Irish rallied from a 16-point fourth quarter deficit for a 40-37 victory. Lambert added another interception on the Spartans final drive to ultimately secure the triumph.

2009: Notre Dame SS Kyle McCarthy's interception at the 4-yard line with 57 seconds sealed Notre Dame's 33-30 win after Jimmy Clausen threw for 300 yards, including the game-winning score on a 33-yard touchdown to Golden Tate with 5:18 left.

2010: Michigan State punter and holder Aaron Bates found tight end Charlie Gantt for a 29-yard TD pass on a fake field goal in overtime to give Michigan State a 34-31 victory.

IRISH DEFENSIVE EFFORT AGAINST MICHIGAN BETTER THAN THE NUMBERS SHOW

- ▶ Notre Dame held Michigan scoreless for 31:24 of game action from the second quarter until the last drive of the game. The Irish allowed 4.8 yards per play in 2nd half after allowing 9.2 yards per play in 1st half.
- ▶ Prior to final drive, Notre Dame's defense had limited the Wolverines' offense to 125 yards on 39 plays (3.2 yards avg.) after halftime.
- ▶ The Irish held Michigan to just 3-for-16 on 3rd down, forced 10 punts and registered five 3 & Outs.
- ▶ Michigan's 10 punts last week were the most by a Notre Dame opponent since Rutgers punted 10 times against the Irish on Nov. 23, 2002.
- ▶ Notre Dame limited Michigan's running backs to 30 yards on 13 carries (2.3 yards per carry).
- ▶ In the first half, Michigan rushed for 189 yards on 17 carries, good for 11.1 yards per rush. The Wolverines totaled 296 yards in the first half, good for 9.2 yards per play. Notre Dame's defense limited Michigan to 44 yards on the ground on 11 rushes (4.0 yards per carry), 75 total yards and only 3.8 yards per play in the third quarter.

NOTRE-DAME MICHIGAN SERIES A NAILBITER

- ▶ Ten of the last 20 Notre Dame-Michigan games have been decided by five points or less.
- ▶ Seven of the last 25 games in the series have seen the winning points come in the final two minutes (1980, '88, '90, '94, '99, '09 and '10), including four that were decided in the final seconds ('80, '94, '09 and '10).
- ▶ Michigan scored the winning touchdown with 27 seconds remaining in the game. It marked the fourth meeting between the two rivals where the deciding points were scored with less than 27 seconds to go in the contest. The Wolverines have captured each of the last two meetings decided so late into the contest. In 1994, Remy Hamilton kicked a field goal with two seconds left to secure a 26-24 victory in Notre Dame Stadium. Last season, Greg Matthews caught a five-yard TD pass from Tate Forcier with 11 seconds remaining to give Michigan a 38-34 win.

IRISH-WOLVERINES CHURNING THE STICKS

- ▶ Notre Dame totaled 381 yards passing and 535 yards of total offense, both single-game highs in the all-time series with Michigan.
- ▶ The 535 yards of total offense was the most for a Notre Dame team since Oct. 31, 2009 when the Irish rolled up 592 yards against Washington State.
- ▶ The teams combined for 1,067 total yards, which is the most in the series between the Irish and Wolverines. The 2009 figure of 920 total was the previous high.

IRISH GO DOWN TO THE WIRE

- ▶ Since the start of the 2008 season, Notre Dame has played 17 games that have been decided by seven points or fewer. The Irish are 6-11 in those games including a 34-31 overtime defeat at Michigan State.
- ▶ Ten of Notre Dame's 12 games in 2009 were decided in the fourth quarter. The Irish won four games decided by a TD or less and lost six times by seven or less.
- ▶ Notre Dame has already played two games in 2010 decided by seven points or less. In fact, six of the last eight and 12 of the last 15 games for the Irish have been decided by a touchdown or less.

OVERTIME

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DEFENSE STILL LOOKING FOR CONSISTENCY

- ▶ Notre Dame registered 4.0 sacks against Michigan State, the second time in the first three games that the Irish recorded 4.0 or more sacks. Notre Dame also picked up 8.0 tackles for loss against the Spartans. It was the highest single-game total for the Irish against Michigan State since they registered 9.0 in the 2005 meeting. Notre Dame also forced the Spartans into four three-and-outs.
- ▶ The Irish won the battle on third down in each of their first three contests against Purdue, Michigan and Michigan State. Notre Dame limited the Spartans to 6 of 17 on third down, including denying Michigan State on each of its final five third-down plays. Even more impressive, the Spartans average length on its 17 third down plays was nine yards.
- ▶ The Irish limited their first three opponents (Purdue, Michigan and Michigan State) to just 28% on third down (14 for 50). In fact, Notre Dame's third down defense held the Spartans and Wolverines to a combined 27% (9 of 23).
- ▶ Notre Dame's rush defense was truly better than the final numbers indicated against Michigan State. If you remove Edwin Baker's 56-yard touchdown run, the Irish allowed 147 yards on the ground on 42 carries (3.5 yards/rush). The Spartans entered the contest averaging 7.8 yards/rush. In fact, the Spartans had 19 carries in the game for two yards or less.

IRISH DEFENSE DEFINITELY BROUGHT THE HEAT AGAINST PURDUE

- ▶ Notre Dame registered 4.0 sacks and 5.0 tackles for loss in the victory over Purdue. The 4.0 sacks were the most by the Irish since they picked up 5.0 against Washington State on Oct. 31, 2009.
- ▶ The 4.0 sacks also ranked eighth-best by an NCAA FBS school in the opening week. In fact, only three of the seven schools that finished with more sacks than Notre Dame in its opener faced an FBS opponent and only two played a BCS conference foe.
- ▶ The Irish also registered two interceptions (both inside their own 20-yard line), four pass break-ups and three quarterback hurries.

IRISH OFFENSE, DEFENSE UNITS PENALTY FREE AGAINST PURDUE

- ▶ Notre Dame committed just two penalties in its victory over Purdue. The Irish were not whistled for a single penalty on offense or defense. The two penalties both came on special teams.
- ▶ The Irish have not completed a game with fewer than two penalties since Nov. 26, 2005. In a 38-31 victory at Stanford, Notre Dame was called for one penalty.

SPREAD ATTACK OPENED RUNNING LANES FOR ALLEN JR., WOOD AGAINST PURDUE

- ▶ Notre Dame rushed for 153 yards and average 4.2 yards per carry in the victory over Purdue. The tailback tandem of senior **Armando Allen Jr.** and sophomore **Cierre Wood** totaled 151 yards on 25 carries. Allen Jr. averaged 5.2 per rush and Wood posted 8.3 yards per carry.
- ▶ Allen Jr. (four) and Wood (four) also combined for eight rushes of 10 or more yards.
- ▶ Allen Jr. gave the Irish a 7-0 lead with a 22-yard touchdown run at 2:01 of the first quarter. The touchdown was his eighth overall and seventh on the ground in his career. The scamper was the longest scoring run of his career.
- ▶ Wood ripped off 16 and 15 yards on the ground in consecutive rushes, the first two carries his career. He added another 15-yard rush on Notre Dame's initial scoring drive of the afternoon. Wood totaled 41 yards on four carries on the drive (41 of the 84 yards on the drive came via the legs of Wood). He added a 38-yard kickoff return to set up great field position for the Irish early in the fourth quarter. Notre Dame started the drive at Purdue 41-yard line, but went three-and-out.
- ▶ Notre Dame averaged just 128.2 yards rushing in 2009, which ranked 84th in the FBS. The Irish also managed only 3.84 yards per carry.

IRISH DEFENSE CONTROLLED THE BIG PLAY IN SEASON OPENER

- ▶ It was just one game, but Notre Dame's new defensive scheme seemed to get pretty solid revues in the opener. The Irish limited the Boilermakers' offense to only 10 points and allowed just 3.2 yards per carry (compared to 3.8 yards per rush in 2009).
- ▶ Notre Dame forced Purdue into a trio of three-and-outs.
- ▶ Purdue completed 31 passes on the afternoon, but the longest went for just 16 yards. The Boilermakers averaged just 5.2 yards passing per attempt and 7.1 yards per completion. By comparison in 2009, the Irish allowed 8.7 yards per pass attempt and 12.9 yards per completion.
- ▶ Notre Dame also limited Purdue to 4.4 yards of total offense (322 yards on 74 plays) per play. Irish foes averaged 6.4 yards of total offense per play last season.
- ▶ Notre Dame limited Purdue to three points in the opening half. It was the fewest points allowed by the Irish against Purdue in a half since the opening 30 minutes of the 2005 contest (Notre Dame led 28-0 at intermission).
- ▶ The 23 points by Notre Dame were the fewest by the winning team in the Irish-Boilermaker series since 2003 when Notre Dame beat Purdue, 20-14.
- ▶ Purdue finished with 12 points, which is the fewest for the Boilermakers in the series with Notre Dame since 1996 when the Irish blanked Purdue, 35-0.
- ▶ Senior DB **Gary Gray** registered eight tackles, seven solo, in the first half alone. The eight tackles equaled his career-high and seven solo stops surpassed his previous career-high. Gray finished with a game-high tying and career-best nine tackles. He also got credit with a pass breakup on senior NG **Ian Williams** interception on Purdue's fourth down play from the Irish five-yard line.
- ▶ Senior DB **Darrin Walls** picked up his third career interception at 4:27 of the first quarter. It was his first interception since picking up one against Purdue in last year's meeting.

NOTRE DAME DEBUTS AGAINST PURDUE

- ▶ Sophomore LT **Zack Martin**, junior QB **Dayne Crist**, freshman WR **TJ Jones**, junior C **Braxton Cave**, senior RT **Taylor Dever** and sophomore ILB **Carlo Calabrese** all registered their first career start at Notre Dame.
- ▶ Freshman WR **TJ Jones** registered his first career reception on Notre Dame's fourth offensive play from scrimmage. The catch went for 15 yards and resulted in a first down on a third and six play.
- ▶ Sophomore RB **Cierre Wood** picked up his first career carry on Notre Dame's initial scoring drive. The rush went for 16 yards. He followed up that carry with another rush on the next play for 15 yards.
- ▶ The Irish played a total of six freshmen against Purdue: WR **TJ Jones**, LB **Danny Spond**, DB **Lo Wood**, WR **Austin Collinworth**, LB **Prince Shembo** and WR **Bennett Jackson**.
- ▶ The following Notre Dame players, excluding freshmen, made their first career appearance: RB **Cierre Wood**, ILB **Carlo Calabrese**, ILB **Dan Fox**, LS **Ryan Kavanagh**, LS **Bill Flavin**, OG **Chris Watt**, OT **Zack Martin** and DT **Tyler Stockton**.
- ▶ Notre Dame used five true freshmen alone on its starting kickoff coverage unit, which might be unprecedented in school history: WR **Bennett Jackson** (four tackles), WR **Austin Collinworth**, LB **Prince Shembo**, LB **Danny Spond** and DB **Lo Wood**.

OPENERS AN INDICATOR?

- ▶ Notre Dame is 102-15-5 in season openers, but have they been foretelling of the season ahead? Take a look:
- ▶ The 101 seasons Notre Dame has won its opener, the Irish went on to post winning records 92 times (91.1%), with four losing seasons and five .500 records.
- ▶ The 15 seasons the Irish lost their opener, the Irish posted winning records six 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.

WE'VE BEEN HERE BEFORE

- ▶ The meeting earlier this season between Notre Dame and Michigan State marked the 21st time in school history the Irish have faced the Spartans the week following the Michigan game.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 8-3 against the Spartans following a victory over the Wolverines, 5-4 following a defeat and 1-0 following a tie.
- ▶ The Irish have knocked off Michigan and Michigan State in consecutive weeks eight different times (1980, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1993, 2002 and 2004).
- ▶ Notre Dame has dropped both rivalry games four times (1986, 2003, 2007 and 2010).
- ▶ Overall, the Irish are 14-7 against the Spartans the week after playing Michigan.
- ▶ Notre Dame has faced Michigan 38 times in the series history and 15 of the meetings have come during the second week of the regular season. The Irish are 6-8-1 all-time when playing the Wolverines in week two.

- ▶ Notre Dame has opened its season with Purdue on eight occasions. The Irish hold a 7-1 record in those season-opening meetings with the Boilermakers. Only two other programs, Michigan and Northwestern, have opened against Notre Dame more often than Purdue.
- ▶ Here are the top five programs in terms of season-opening opponents for the Irish.

1.	Michigan	10	6-4
2.	Northwestern	9	8-1
3.	Purdue	8	7-1
4.	Kalamazoo	7	7-0
5.	Indiana	6	6-0
	Pittsburgh	6	5-1

- ▶ This year's opener with Purdue was the first opener with the Boilermakers since 1984. Notre Dame agreed to move the contest from Notre Dame Stadium to the newly opened Hoosier Dome. Future Heisman Trophy winner and College Football Hall of Fame honoree Tim Brown, then just a freshman, fumbled the opening kickoff to setup a Purdue touchdown. The Boilermakers would upset the No. 8 Irish, 23-21.
- ▶ The most famous season opener with Purdue came during the 1966 season. Both teams were ranked in the top 10, Notre Dame at No. 6 and the Boilermakers at No. 8. Purdue was led by All-American Bob Griese, but quarterback Terry Hanratty and wide receiver Jim Seymour stole the show. The duo hooked up 13 times for 276 yards, including touchdowns of 39, 84 and seven yards, en route to a 26-14 Irish victory. Seymour's total of 276 receiving yards remains a single-game Notre Dame record. Notre Dame went on to capture the national title, while the Boilermakers captured their first and still only Rose Bowl title in school history.

FIRST-YEAR HEAD COACHES OPEN STRONG

- ▶ When Notre Dame defeated Purdue in its season opener Sept. 4, head coach **Brian Kelly** continued a long trend of success among Irish mentors. Dating back to 1896, Irish skippers are 26-3 (.897) in their debut contests. Only Frank E. Hering in 1896 (4-0 loss to Chicago Physicians & Surgeons), Elmer Layden in 1934 (7-6 loss to Texas) and Lou Holtz in 1986 (24-23 loss to Michigan) failed to win their first game at Notre Dame. This record includes two wins by interim head coaches -- Ed McKeever in 1944 (58-0 win at Pittsburgh) and Hugh Devore in 1945 (7-0 win over Illinois) spelled Frank Leahy while he was off serving his country in World War II.

IRISH DEFENSE FULL OF YOUTHFUL ENERGY

- ▶ Notre Dame first-year defensive coordinator **Bob Diaco** entered the 2010 season as one of the youngest coordinators in FBS football. Diaco, who was born Feb. 19, 1973, opened the campaign at 37. He ranks as the 24th-youngest coordinator in all of the FBS and eighth-youngest coordinator from a BCS conference institution.
- ▶ There are only six defensive coordinators in the FBS that are younger than Diaco. Of those six, only one (Kirby Smart, Alabama) coaches at a BCS conference school.

IRISH DEFENSE SWITCHES TO 3-4

- ▶ Brian Kelly and defensive coordinator **Bob Diaco** have 18 returning monogram winners on defense to work with in their first season and, of those 18, 13 players have starting experience for the Irish. Ten returning players started at least seven games in 2009 -- and nine players have started at least 10 games in their Notre Dame careers.
- ▶ The Irish switch back to a 3-4 defense, featuring three down linemen, in 2010. That means players who made the transition to a 4-3 last year will resort back to the defensive front used in 2007 and 2008. Notre Dame will start a nose guard sandwiched between two defensive ends, but it won't be uncommon to see at least one outside linebacker walk up to the line of scrimmage, giving the Irish four or five players along the line.

DON'T FORGET THE ANNIVERSARY

- ▶ The 2010 football season marks the 80th anniversary of the opening of fabled Notre Dame Stadium. The Irish have played 415 games in that facility to date and own a 307-103-5 (.746) record in the "House that Rockne Built."
- ▶ The Irish were 4-3 in Notre Dame Stadium in 2009, running their home record to 111-43-1 (.719) over the last 25 years.
- ▶ The most wins in a season by the Irish at home is seven by the 1988 national championship team and the longest home winning streak in Notre Dame football history is 28 games (from 11/21/42 through 9/30/50).
- ▶ In 1955, the stadium's 25th anniversary, Notre Dame went 8-2 on the season for coach Terry Brennan, including a 4-0 home record. The Irish turned in a 9-2-1 overall record, and a 5-0 home mark, to commemorate Notre Dame Stadium's 50th anniversary in 1980. In 2005, the stadium's 75th anniversary, the Irish went 9-3 overall, participated in the Fiesta Bowl and went 4-2 at home.

CHRIS STEWART MAN OF THE LAW

- ▶ Senior OG **Chris Stewart** will attempt the rarest of double duties this fall by playing college football while also undertaking the rigors of life as a law school student. He is believed to be the first football player in Irish history to suit-up for games on Saturday and attend graduate law classes during the week. According to a survey of FBS sports information directors, Stewart, who graduated cum laude in December '09 with a degree in history and two internships in immigration and labor law, is the only football player who will be enrolled in law school this fall.
- ▶ Stewart is enrolled in Contracts, Criminal Law, Legal Research and Legal Writing I.

WALK-ON PLAYERS JOIN THE IRISH SQUAD THIS FALL

- ▶ Eight walk-ons were added to the 2010 fall roster: junior P **Mike Grieco** (Glen Ellyn, Ill./St. Ignatius HS), junior S **Chris Salvi** (Lake Forest, Ill./Carmel Catholic HS), senior LS/DL **John Belcher** (Cheyenne, Wyo./Cheyenne Central HS), sophomore DE **Joe Marek** (St. Paul, Minn./Cretin-Derham HS), sophomore OL **Matt Tansy** (Berkely Heights, N.J./Governor Livingston HS), junior LB **Jonathan Frantz** (Avon Lake, Ohio/St. Ignatius HS), sophomore WR **Nick Fitzpatrick** (Mishawaka, Ind./Marian HS) and freshman DB **Joe Romano** (River Forest, Ill./Fenwick HS).

ROSTER CHANGES

- ▶ Seven returning veterans have changed jersey numbers for the 2010 season. Junior DE **Ethan Johnson** will don No. 90, sophomore WR **Robby Toma** will sport No. 19, junior DE **Hafis Williams** will wear No. 94, sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** will don No. 6, senior TE/FB **Bobby Burger** will sport No. 41 and senior K **Brandon Walker** will wear No. 96. Senior K **David Ruffer** changed to the No. 97 two weeks into fall camp after wearing No. 48 during the 2008 and 2009 seasons.
- ▶ Notre Dame sophomore OT **Zack Martin** and sophomore WR **Robby Toma** each had their first names incorrectly listed in 2009. Martin's first name is correctly spelled Zack (not Zach) and Toma's first name is correctly spelled Robby (not Roby).
- ▶ Notre Dame freshman WR Tai-ler Jones will be listed as **TJ Jones**.
- ▶ A trio of Irish players underwent position changes during spring practice. Sophomore WR **Theo Riddick** moved from running back and senior LB **Steve Paskorz** returned to the position after two years at fullback. Senior OT **Lane Clelland** opened spring practice at defensive end, but has since returned to his original position.

THREE STUDENT-ATHLETES APPROVED FOR FIFTH YEAR

- ▶ Three 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.
- ▶ C **Dan Wenger**, OG **Chris Stewart** and CB **Barry Gallup Jr.** have already graduated. Wenger and Gallup are enrolled in the graduate studies program, while Stewart is a first-year law student at Notre Dame.

RECRUITING CLASS OF 2010 FINISHES AT 20

- ▶ Twenty high school seniors will have their names added to the University of Notre Dame's football roster and begin playing for the Irish in 2010.
- ▶ The 20 student-athletes represent 11 different states - California (two), Colorado, Florida (three), Georgia, Hawaii, Illinois (two), Indiana, Kentucky (two), New Jersey, North Carolina (two) and Ohio (four).
- ▶ As listed by position, Notre Dame added four wide receivers (Austin Collinsworth, TJ Jones, Bennett Jackson, Daniel Smith), four linebackers (Kendall Moore, Prince Shembo, Danny Spond, Justin Utupo), three quarterbacks (Andrew Hendrix, Luke Massa, Tommy Rees), two defensive ends (Bruce Heggie, Kona Schwenke), two offensive tackles (Christian Lombard, Tate Nichols), one defensive back (Lo Wood), one running back (Cameron Roberson), one tight end (Alex Welch) and one nose guard (Louis Nix III).

IRISH IN THE BRIGHT LIGHTS AND BIG CITY, TWICE

- ▶ Notre Dame will play a pair of games in the greater New York City metropolitan area in 2010. The Irish will travel to the \$1.3 billion dollar New Meadowlands Stadium on Oct. 23 to face Navy. Notre Dame and the Midshipmen met five times in the previous Meadowlands Stadium, including 2004. The Irish will also participate in the first football game inside the New Yankee Stadium on Nov. 20 against Army. Notre Dame and the Cadets have a long history of playing in New York. They met 22 times at old Yankee Stadium, facing each other annually from 1925-46, except for 1930, and again in 1969 in the 100th anniversary of college football. They also played at Ebbets Field in Brooklyn (1923), the Polo Grounds in Manhattan (1924) and Shea Stadium in Queens (1965).
- ▶ Notre Dame has never played multiple games in the NYC area in the same season.

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 2010 Irish roster. Mike Sr. earned four monograms at Notre Dame from 1981-84, while **Mike Jr.** is a junior OL and **Jake** is a sophomore 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.
- ▶ Irish junior QB **Nate Montana** is the son of NFL Hall of Famer and four-time Super Bowl Champion Joe (1975, 1977-78). The elder Montana helped Notre Dame to the 1977 National Championship.
- ▶ Other current Notre Dame players whose fathers also played for the Irish include senior TE **Bobby Burger** (Bob, 1978-80), senior LB **Brian Smith** (Chris, 1981-84) and freshman WR **TJ Jones** (Andre, 1987-90).

NFL HAS LARGE INFLUENCE ON NOTRE DAME ROSTER

- ▶ Several players also have family connections with the National Football League.
- ▶ Junior QB **Nate Montana's** father Joe is widely considered the greatest quarterback in NFL history. Joe helped the San Francisco 49ers to four Super Bowls (he was named MVP in three). Joe was an eight-time Pro Bowl selection and inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame in 2000. Joe played in the NFL for the San Francisco 49ers (1979-92) and Kansas City Chiefs (1993-94).
- ▶ Junior OL **Mike Jr.** and sophomore TE **Jake Golic's** father Mike Sr. played in the NFL for the Houston Oilers (1986-87), Philadelphia Eagles (1987-92) and Miami Dolphins (1993). Their uncle, Bob, also played in the NFL for the New England Patriots (1979-81), Cleveland Browns (1982-88) and Los Angeles Raiders (1989-92).
- ▶ Other players whose fathers played in the NFL include sophomore OG **Alex Bullard** (Louis, Seattle Seahawks, 1978-80), freshman WR **Austin Collinsworth** (Chris, Cincinnati Bengals, 1981-88) and junior ILB **Anthony McDonald** (Mike, Los Angeles Rams, Detroit Lions, 1983-92) and sophomore K **Nick Tausch** (Terry, Minnesota Vikings, San Francisco, 1982-89).
- ▶ Junior ILB **David Poslusznys's** brother Paul has played in the NFL for the Buffalo Bills (2007-present).
- ▶ Sophomore P **Ben Turk** has two uncles that have played in the NFL. Matt is currently the punter for the Houston Texans (2007-10), but has also suited up for the St. Louis Rams (1996), Miami Dolphins (2000-01, 2003-05), New York Jets (2002) and Washington Redskins (1995-99). Dan played 15 years in the NFL for the Pittsburgh Steelers (1985-86), Tampa Bay Buccaneers (1987-88), Los Angeles Raiders (1989-94), Oakland Raiders (1995-96) and Washington Redskins (1997-99).

NOTRE DAME EXCELS IN THE CLASSROOM

- ▶ The University of Notre Dame and University of Miami shared the American Football Coaches Association's 2009 Academic Achievement Award, which is presented by the Touchdown Club of Memphis. Notre Dame and Miami recorded a 100 percent graduation rate for members of its freshman football student-athlete class of 2002. This is the eighth honor for Notre Dame.
- ▶ Notre Dame has been recognized 28 of 29 years the award has been presented, the most of any school in the nation. Notre Dame has won the overall award eight times with the most recent coming in 2007. Notre Dame also won the overall award in 1982, 1983, 1984, 1988, 1991, 2001 and 2007. In 1988, Notre Dame became the only school to win the Academic Achievement Award and the National Championship in the same year.

SCHEDULE ANNOUNCED FOR FIRST FOUR 2010 FOOTBALL PEP RALLIES

- ▶ Locations for the first four pep rallies for the 2010 University of Notre Dame football season have been determined - and include multiple locations around the campus.
- ▶ The traditional, season-opening Dillon Hall pep rally was held on Friday, Sept. 3, in front of Dillon Hall on the South Quad of the University of Notre Dame campus. That rally drew a crowd of 14,000 students and fans.
- ▶ The Sept. 10 rally prior to the Irish home game against Michigan was held at Irish Green, south of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on the very south edge of campus.
- ▶ The Notre Dame-Stanford rally on Sept. 24 was held indoors at Purcell Pavilion in the Joyce Center.
- ▶ A Notre Dame-Boston College students-only rally was held on Oct. 1, prior to the Irish road game at Boston College, at Stepan Center.
- ▶ The sites for four other Friday home-game pep rallies - Oct. 8 (Pittsburgh), Oct. 15 (Western Michigan), Oct. 29 (Tulsa) and Nov. 12 (Utah) - will be determined at a later date.
- ▶ Rallies are expected to be held from 6:30-7:00 p.m. All pep rallies are free of charge. Outdoor rallies are subject to cancellation due to inclement weather.

NOTRE DAME KICKOFF LUNCHEONS

- ▶ There's a whole new look to the Notre Dame Football Kickoff Luncheons held on the Friday prior to each Irish football home game.
- ▶ The luncheons will still be held in the north dome of the Joyce Center — but there will be a different master of ceremonies each week, there's a brand new set on stage, and luncheon guests will have the chance to ask questions of Irish head coach **Brian Kelly**.
- ▶ Guests from week to week will include a selection of Irish players and assistant coaches in addition to Kelly, as well as other special guests.
- ▶ WHME sports director Bob Nagle will coordinate three luncheon guests each week that each will ask a question on a live basis of Notre Dame's head coach.
- ▶ Tickets remain on sale for four luncheons for the 2010 season. Those events are slated for noon ET on Oct. 8 (Pittsburgh), Oct. 15 (Western Michigan), Oct. 29 (Tulsa), and Nov. 12 (Utah) in the north dome (field house) of the Joyce Center.
- ▶ Tickets are \$23 each and can be ordered by writing to Athletics Business Office, 112 Joyce Center, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 456556. Checks can be made payable to University of Notre Dame. There is a \$3 handling fee per order. There are 10 seats per table. There's also a ticket order form available on und.com.

OFFICIAL BRIAN KELLY RADIO SHOW

- ▶ The **Brian Kelly** Radio Show began Sept. 2 — and University of Notre Dame football fans can watch the show live on the Notre Dame campus or listen on one of four radio outlets. Kelly will appear at all 12 shows at Legends on the campus, just south of Notre Dame Stadium. The show will air from 7:00-8:00 p.m. ET. Audio outlets include WSBT 960AM in South Bend, www.und.com, WXNT 1430 AM in Indianapolis, and Sirius/XM Satellite Radio. WSBT, WXNT and und.com will carry the show live; Sirius/XM will carry it Friday evenings at 8pm on Sirius channel 122 and XM channel 143.
- ▶ Dates for the shows are Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28; and Nov. 11, 18 and 22.
- ▶ 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 www.und.com beginning on Monday of each week. Inside Notre Dame Football airs on a total of 25 affiliates nationwide reaching nearly 67 million households.

THE OFFICIAL NOTRE DAME FOOTBALL POSTGAME SHOW

- ▶ Irish All-Americans Reggie Brooks and Mirko Jurkovic join Jack Nolan for the Official Notre Dame Football Postgame show immediately following every Notre Dame football game. The show can be heard live on WSBT 960 AM and Sunny 101.5 FM and watched live worldwide on und.com. The show includes Coach Kelly's postgame press conference live, player interviews and video highlights on the und.com webcast.

NOTRE DAME STADIUM SCULPTURES

- ▶ Four of Notre Dame's head football coaches, all of whom won at least one national title, are immortalized in sculpture form on the University's campus. Prior to the 2010 season, the four statues were moved to their new locations directly outside four of Notre Dame Stadium's six entrances -- and each gate was renamed in honor of the corresponding legendary coach.
- ▶ **Knute Rockne** (1924, 1929, 1930) — North Tunnel, Knute Rockne Tunnel; **Ara Parseghian** (1966, 1973) — Gate B, Ara Parseghian Gate; **Frank Leahy** (1943, 1946, 1947, 1949) — Gate C, Frank Leahy Gate; **Lou Holtz** (1988) — Gate D, Lou Holtz gate.
- ▶ In addition, the University recognized **Dan Devine**, coach of the 1977 national championship team, by renaming Gate A in his honor.

MOST-WATCHED MICHIGAN-NOTRE DAME GAME ON NBC IN 16 YEARS

- ▶ NBC Sports' broadcast of the Sept. 11 Michigan-Notre Dame was the most-watched game featuring those two teams on NBC in 16 years and the most-watched Notre Dame on NBC game against any team in five years. In addition, the average viewership and rating for the first two Notre Dame on NBC games this season are the best in four years.
- ▶ The Michigan-Notre Dame game was watched by 7.0 million viewers, making it the most-watched game on NBC between the two teams since September 10, 1994, when the Wolverines were ranked No. 6 and the Irish No. 3. It was also the most-watched Notre Dame game on NBC since October 15, 2005, when the then-No. 9 Irish hosted No. 1 USC.
- ▶ The game was also the third-most watched Michigan-Notre Dame game ever on NBC (10.1 million, 1994; 7.3 million, 1992) and the 12th most-watched Notre Dame on NBC game ever.

- ▶ The game generated a 4.5/10 rating and share, the highest for a game against Michigan in eight years (Sept. 14, 2002, 4.6/12) and highest for a Notre Dame on NBC game against any team in four years (Sept. 9, 2006, Penn State, 4.7/11).
- ▶ Notre Dame on NBC is averaging 5.4 million viewers and a 3.5/4 rating for the first two games of the 2010 season, the best average in both categories since 2006 (6.5 million; 4.5/11) when the Irish began their home season by hosting No. 19 Penn State and No. 11 Michigan.
- ▶ NBC Sports' broadcast of the Purdue-Notre Dame season opener on September 4 was up 74 percent and 69 percent in viewers and ratings, respectively.

NOTRE DAME ALUMNI SUPPORT TOPS IN THE NATION

- ▶ Notre Dame is widely known for the support of its fans. The alumni have a lot to do with that support, and they back that up with their check books. According to research by US News & World Report, the Irish rank first in the nation in alumni giving among schools that have a Division I football program.
- ▶ Notre Dame has an alumni giving rate of 44 percent, while other 2010 foes USC (43%), Stanford (34%) and Boston College (26%) all rank among the top 10.

Rk	School	Percent
1.	Notre Dame	44
2.	Southern California	43
3.	Duke	38
4.	Stanford	34
5.	Rice	33
6.	Auburn	32
7.	Alabama	31
8.	Clemson	28
	Georgia Tech	28
10.	Boston College	26

Individual
Career Bests**RUSHING****Armando Allen Jr.**

Attempts: 24, vs. Connecticut (Nov. 21, 2009)
Yards: 139, at Michigan (Sept. 12, 2009)
TDs: 1, eight times (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
Long: 30, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)

Dayne Crist

Attempts: 9, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
Yards: 19, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: 1, twice (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
Long: 16, vs. Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)

Jonas Gray

Attempts: 9, three times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 26, 2009)
Yards: 61, at Washington (Oct. 25, 2008)
TDs: None
Long: 19, twice (last vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009)

Robert Hughes

Attempts: 24, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
Yards: 136, at Stanford (Nov. 24, 2007)
TDs: 2, vs. Michigan (Sept. 13, 2008)
Long: 45, at Stanford (Nov. 24, 2007)

Nate Montana

Attempts: 4, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Yards: 23, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 10, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 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)

Cierre Wood

Attempts: 7, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
Yards: 58, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 16, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

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)

Nate Montana

Attempts: 17, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Completions: 8, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Yards: 104, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 37, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Tommy Rees

Attempts: 2, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Completions: 0, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Yards: None
TDs: None
Long: None

John Goodman

Attempts: 1, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
Completions: None
Yards: None
TDs: None
Long: None

RECEIVING**Armando Allen Jr.**

Catches: 9, at Boston College (Nov. 8, 2008)
Yards: 70, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
TDs: 1, three times (last at Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008)
Long: 41, at Hawai'i (Dec. 24, 2008)

Tyler Eifert

Catches: 1, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
Yards: 17, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 17, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Michael Floyd

Catches: 10, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
Yards: 189, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)
TDs: 3, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)
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, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
Yards: 42, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 23, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)

Robert Hughes

Catches: 6, vs. Navy (Nov. 7, 2009)
Yards: 59, vs. Navy (Nov. 7, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 37, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)

TJ Jones

Catches: 3, two times (last vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010)
Yards: 73, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: 1, two times (last vs. Michigan, Sept. 11, 2010)
Long: 53, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Duval Kamara

Catches: 7, vs. Boston College (Oct. 24, 2009)
Yards: 93, at Stanford (Nov. 24, 2007)
TDs: 2, vs. Navy (Nov. 3, 2007)
Long: 35, at Stanford (Nov. 24, 2007)

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: 1, three times (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
Long: 37, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Kyle Rudolph

Catches: 8, twice (last: at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
Yards: 164, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
TDs: 1, eight times (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
Long: 95, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Robby Toma

Catches: 2, vs. Boston College (Oct. 24, 2009)
Yards: 13, vs. Boston College (Oct. 24, 2009)
TDs: None
Long: 8, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)

Cierre Wood

Catches: 2, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
Yards: 14, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
TDs: None
Long: 11, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

DEFENSE**Robert Blanton**

Tackles: 8, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
Solos: 7, at USC (Nov. 29, 2008)
Assists: 4, vs. Boston College (Oct. 24, 2009)
TFLs: 2.0, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
Sacks: 1.0, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
INTs: 1, five times (last at Boston College, Oct. 2, 2010)
FF: None
FR: None
PBUs: 2, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)

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: None

Sean Cwynar

Tackles: 5, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
Solos: 1, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
Assists: 4, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
TFLs: None
Sacks: None
INTs: None
FF: None
FR: None
PBUs: None

Individual Career Bests

Steve Filer

Tackles: 4, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Solos: 2, three times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 Assists: 2, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 TFLs: 1.0, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
 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: 7, vs. Navy (Nov. 7, 2009)
 Solos: 4, three times (last at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
 Assists: 4, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
 TFLs: 3.0, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
 Sacks: 2.0, at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, at Michigan (Sept. 12, 2009)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 2, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Gary Gray

Tackles: 9, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
 Solos: 8, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
 Assists: 4, vs. USC (Oct. 17, 2009)
 TFLs: 1.0, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, three times (last vs. USC, Oct. 17, 2009)
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 2, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)

Ethan Johnson

Tackles: 6, vs. Connecticut (Nov. 21, 2009)
 Solos: 5, at USC (Nov. 29, 2008)
 Assists: 4, vs. Connecticut (Nov. 21, 2009)
 TFLs: 2.0, three times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 Sacks: 2.0, two times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 FR: 1, two times (last vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009)
 PBUs: 2, at Michigan State (Sept. 20, 2008)

Kapron Lewis-Moore

Tackles: 7, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Solos: 4, four times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Assists: 4, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Sacks: 1.0, three times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Michigan State (Sept. 19, 2009)
 FR: 1, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)
 PBUs: 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: 0.5, two times (last at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
 Sacks: 0.5, vs. Washington State (Oct. 31, 2009)
 INTs: 1, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 FF: None
 FR: 1, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 PBUs: 1, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)

Kerry Neal

Tackles: 7, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Solos: 5, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Assists: 5, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Washington (Oct. 3, 2009)
 Sacks: 1.0, five times (last vs. Washington, Oct. 3, 2009)
 INTs: 1, vs. San Diego State (Sept. 6, 2008)
 FF: None
 FR: 1, two times (last vs. Air Force, Nov. 10, 2007)
 PBUs: 1, five times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)

Jamoris Slaughter

Tackles: 7, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 Solos: 3, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 Assists: 4, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 TFLs: None
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

Brian Smith

Tackles: 10, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Solos: 8, at Boston College (Nov. 8, 2008)
 Assists: 6, two times (last vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)
 Sacks: 1.0, four times (last vs. Nevada, Sept. 5, 2009)
 INTs: 1, three times (last vs. Connecticut, Nov. 21, 2009)
 FF: 1, two times (last at Michigan State, Sept. 20, 2008)
 FR: 1, three times (last vs. Boston College, Oct. 24, 2009)
 PBUs: 1, three times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)

Harrison Smith

Tackles: 11, three times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 Solos: 7, two times (last at Pittsburgh, Nov. 14, 2009)
 Assists: 7, two times (last vs. Connecticut, Nov. 21, 2009)
 TFLs: 2.0, two times (last vs. Navy, Nov. 7, 2009)
 Sacks: 2.0, at Washington (Oct. 25, 2008)
 INTs: 1, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 FF: 1, vs. Boston College (Oct. 24, 2009)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 2, two times (last vs. Hawai'i, Dec. 24, 2008)

Manti Te'o

Tackles: 21, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 Solos: 8, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 Assists: 13, vs. Stanford (Sept. 25, 2010)
 TFLs: 2.5, two times, (last at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
 Sacks: 1.0, at Purdue (Sept. 26, 2009)
 INTs: None
 FF: 1, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, four times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)

Darrin Walls

Tackles: 8, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
 Solos: 7, vs. Michigan (Sept. 11, 2010)
 Assists: 4, vs. Duke (Nov. 17, 2007)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Navy (Nov. 3, 2007)
 Sacks: None
 INTs: 1, four times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 FF: 1, two times (last vs. Air Force, Nov. 10, 2007)
 FR: None
 PBUs: 2, four times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)

Ian Williams

Tackles: 11, vs. Navy (Nov. 3, 2007)
 Solos: 5, vs. Pittsburgh (Nov. 1, 2008)
 Assists: 9, vs. Navy (Nov. 3, 2007)
 TFLs: 2.0, vs. Pittsburgh (Nov. 1, 2008)
 Sacks: 0.5, two times (last at Michigan State, Sept. 18, 2010)
 INTs: 1, two times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)
 FF: None
 FR: None
 PBUs: 1, three times (last vs. Purdue, Sept. 4, 2010)

PUNT RETURNS

Armando Allen Jr.

Returns: 3, at Michigan State (Sept. 20, 2008)
 Yards: 38, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 38, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

John Goodman

Returns: 3, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 Yards: 27, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 24, vs. Nevada (Sept. 5, 2009)

KICK RETURNS

Armando Allen Jr.

Returns: 6, vs. Air Force (Nov. 10, 2007)
 Yards: 147, at Michigan State (Sept. 20, 2008)
 TDs: 1, at Hawai'i (Dec. 24, 2008)
 Long: 96, at Hawai'i (Dec. 24, 2008)

Bennett Jackson

Returns: 4, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 Yards: 111, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 43, at Boston College (Oct. 2, 2010)

Theo Riddick

Returns: 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

Returns: 5, two times (last vs. Stanford, Sept. 25, 2010)
 Yards: 89, at Michigan State (Sept. 18, 2010)
 TDs: None
 Long: 38, vs. Purdue (Sept. 4, 2010)

**2010 Irish
Honors/Awards**

Armando Allen Jr. – Sr. – RB

- ▶ Doak Walker Award Watch List
- ▶ #22 draft eligible RB (Phil Steele)

Chris Badger – Fr. – DB

- ▶ #62 freshman DB (Phil Steele)

Robert Blanton – Jr. – CB

- ▶ #35 CB (Phil Steele)

Dayne Crist – Jr. – QB

- ▶ Maxwell Award Watch List
- ▶ #44 draft eligible QB (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #84 player overall (Athlon)
- ▶ #21 QB (Athlon)

Darius Fleming – Jr. – LB

- ▶ #19 OLB (Phil Steele)

Michael Floyd – Jr. – WR

- ▶ Biletnikoff Award Watch List
- ▶ Walter Camp Player of the Year Award Watch List
- ▶ Maxwell Award Watch List
- ▶ Second Team Preseason All-America (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #4 draft eligible WR (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #23 overall player for 2011 NFL Draft (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #21 player overall (Sporting News)
- ▶ Second Team Preseason All-America (Sporting News)
- ▶ Second Team Preseason All-America (Athlon)
- ▶ #15 player overall (Athlon)
- ▶ #2 WR (Athlon)
- ▶ First Team Preseason All-America (Yahoo! Sports)
- ▶ First Team Preseason All-America (Lindy's)
- ▶ #1 WR (Lindy's)

Andrew Hendrix – Fr. – QB

- ▶ #12 freshman QB (Phil Steele)

Bennett Jackson – Fr. – WR

- ▶ #49 freshman WR (Phil Steele)

Ethan Johnson – Jr. – DT

- ▶ Lombardi Award Watch List
- ▶ #25 draft eligible DT (Phil Steele)

TJ Jones – Fr. – WR

- ▶ #20 freshman WR (Phil Steele)

Duval Kamara – Jr. – WR

- ▶ #32 draft eligible WR (Phil Steele)

Kapron Lewis-Moore – Jr. – DE

- ▶ Ted Hendricks Award Watch List
- ▶ #28 draft eligible DE (Phil Steele)

Christian Lombard – Fr. – OL

- ▶ #14 freshman OL (Phil Steele)

Kendall Moore – Fr. – LB

- ▶ #27 freshman LB (Phil Steele)

Kerry Neal – Sr. – DE

- ▶ #60 draft eligible DE (Phil Steele)

Louis Nix – Fr. – DT

- ▶ #85 freshman overall player (Lindy's)

Cameron Roberson – Fr. – RB

- ▶ #36 freshman RB (Phil Steele)

Trevor Robinson – Jr. – OL

- ▶ Outland Trophy Watch List
- ▶ #23 draft eligible G (Phil Steele)

Kyle Rudolph – Jr. – TE

- ▶ John Mackey Tight End of the Week (Sept. 15)
- ▶ Rivals.com Independent Player of the Week (Sept. 14)
- ▶ John Mackey Award Watch List
- ▶ Lombardi Award Watch List
- ▶ #1 draft eligible TE (Phil Steele)
- ▶ First Team Preseason All-America (Sporting News)
- ▶ Third Team Preseason All-America (Athlon)
- ▶ #75 player overall (Athlon)
- ▶ #2 TE (Athlon)
- ▶ First Team Preseason All-America (Yahoo! Sports)
- ▶ First Team Preseason All-America (Lindy's)
- ▶ #1 TE (Lindy's)

Kona Schwenke – Fr. – DL

- ▶ #56 freshman DL (Phil Steele)

Prince Shembo – Fr. LB

- ▶ #36 freshman LB (Phil Steele)

Brian Smith – Sr. – LB

- ▶ Dick Butkus Award Watch List
- ▶ #13 OLB (Phil Steele)

Daniel Smith – Fr. – WR

- ▶ #61 freshman WR (Phil Steele)

Harrison Smith – Jr. – S

- ▶ #11 SS (Phil Steele)

Danny Spond – Fr. – LB

- ▶ #32 freshman LB (Phil Steele)

Christ Stewart – Sr. – OL

- ▶ #8 draft eligible G (Phil Steele)

Nick Tausch – So. – PK

- ▶ Groza Award Watch List

Manti Te'o – So. – LB

- ▶ Bronko Nagurski Award Watch List
- ▶ Lombardi Award Watch List
- ▶ Chuck Bednarik Award Watch List
- ▶ Dick Butkus Award Watch List
- ▶ #12 ILB (Lindy's)

Justin Utopo – Fr. – LB

- ▶ #52 freshman LB (Phil Steele)

Darrin Walls – Sr. – CB

- ▶ #72 CB (Phil Steele)

Dan Wenger – Sr. – OL

- ▶ #16 draft eligible C (Phil Steele)

Ian Williams – Sr. – DT

- ▶ #16 draft eligible DT (Phil Steele)

Lo Wood – Fr. – DB

- ▶ #65 freshman DB (Phil Steele)

Position Groups

- ▶ #4 WR/TE unit (Athlon)
- ▶ #1 WR/TE unit (Lindy's)
- ▶ #20 RB unit (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #21 DB unit (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #18 LB unit (Phil Steele)
- ▶ #10 LB unit (Lindy's)
- ▶ #27 special teams unit (Phil Steele)

Team Rankings

- ▶ Phil Steele #16
- ▶ Athlon #26
- ▶ Sporting News #29
- ▶ Yahoo! Sports #30
- ▶ Lindy's #49

**2010 Notre Dame
Football Media Information**

Interview requests and media access for the 2010 Notre Dame football team are administered by lead football contact Brian Hardin and assistant football contact Michael Bertsch.

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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

- ▶ Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium
- ▶ This teleconference will function as a look ahead at the upcoming weekend's opponent and other football-related issues.
- ▶ Coordinates: Galaxy 19; Transponder: 7C; Channel: Slot #3; Symbol Rate: 3.9787; Data Rate: 5.500; FEC: ¾; Downlink: 3837.0000 – Vertical (Available from 11:45-12:45 p.m. ET)

WEDNESDAY - 5:30 p.m. ET

- ▶ Post-practice at LaBar Practice Complex

THURSDAY - 5:30 p.m. ET

- ▶ Post-practice at Guglielmino Athletics Complex

SUNDAY - 2:00-2:15 p.m. ET

- ▶ This conference call will function as a look back at the previous Saturday's game.

NOTRE DAME PLAYER TELECONFERENCE

Four rotating Irish players, two offensive and two defensive, will be available via teleconference each week of the season. (Media looking for the teleconference number should contact Brian Hardin)

WEDNESDAY - 1:00-1:45 p.m. ET

- ▶ Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium

For accredited members of the media who want to attend either of the weekly teleconferences, contact Brian Hardin or Michael Bertsch for more information. The Guglielmino Athletics Complex is located on the east side of campus, behind the Joyce Center and the Rolfs Recreation Center and just north of LaBar Practice Complex.

The Guglielmino Athletics Complex auditorium can be accessed through "The Gug's" main entrance, which is located on the west side of the building (facing the Rolfs Recreation Center and main campus).

The teleconferences will be broadcast live (audio & video) and archived for future use on www.und.com each week. A full transcript will be posted as well on the website as soon as possible.

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.

All interviews with Notre Dame assistant coaches/players will take place at approximately 5:45 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday of game week at the LaBar Practice Complex.

There is no availability for players or assistant coaches on Monday, Thursday and Friday of each game week.

WEEKLY INTERVIEW SCHEDULE

Sunday

Brian Kelly Conference Call: 2:00-2:15 p.m.

Deadline For Week's Interview Requests: 5:00 p.m.

Monday

Nothing

Tuesday

Brian Kelly Press Conference: Noon-12:45 p.m.

Asst. Coaches/Players Post Practice: 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Defensive Players Teleconference: 1:00-1:20 p.m.

Offensive Players Teleconference: 1:25-1:45 p.m.

Kelly/Asst. Coaches/Players Post Practice: 5:30 p.m.

Thursday

Kelly Post Practice: 5:30 p.m. (Gug Auditorium)

Friday

Home Games: Nothing

Away Games: Kelly following walk-through at the stadium.

All Times Eastern

**Notre Dame Football
Two-Deep Depth Chart**

Notre Dame Offense

WR	7	TJ Jones	5-11	187	Fr.
	or 81	John Goodman	6-3	207	Jr.
WR	6	Theo Riddick	5-11	198	So.
	19	Robby Toma	5-9	175	So.
LT	70	Zack Martin	6-4	290	So.
	77	Matt Romine	6-5	292	Sr.
LG	59	CHRIS STEWART	6-5	351	Sr.
	66	Chris Watt	6-3	310	So.
C	52	Braxton Cave	6-3	301	Jr.
	57	Mike Golic Jr.	6-3	290	Jr.
RG	78	TREVOR ROBINSON	6-5	295	Jr.
	57	Mike Golic Jr.	6-3	290	Jr.
RT	75	Taylor Dever	6-5	297	Sr.
	76	Andrew Nuss	6-5	297	Sr.
TE	9	KYLE RUDOLPH	6-6	265	Jr.
	80	Tyler Efert	6-6	242	So.
WR	3	MICHAEL FLOYD	6-3	227	Jr.
	18	DUVAL KAMARA	6-4	225	Sr.
QB	10	Dayne Crist	6-4	235	Jr.
	16	Nate Montana	6-4	215	Jr.
or	13	Tommy Rees	6-2	210	Fr.
RB	5	ARMANDO ALLEN JR.	5-10	205	Sr.
	33	Robert Hughes	5-11	245	Sr.

Notre Dame Special Teams

PK	97	David Ruffer	6-1	176	Sr.
	40	NICK TAUSCH	6-0	190	So.
P	35	BEN TURK	5-11	196	So.
	96	Brandon Walker	6-3	210	Sr.
LS	60	JORDAN COWART	6-2	215	So.
	50	Ryan Kavanagh	6-3	200	Jr.
SS	62	Bill Flavin	6-3	260	Sr.
	52	BRAXSTON CAVE	6-3	301	Jr.

Notre Dame Defense

DE	90	ETHAN JOHNSON	6-4	285	Jr.
	94	Hafis Williams	6-1	285	Jr.
NG	95	IAN WILLIAMS	6-2	305	Sr.
	98	Sean Cwynar	6-4	280	Jr.
DE	89	KAPRON LEWIS-MOORE	6-4	283	Jr.
	91	Emeka Nwankwo	6-4	290	Sr.
OLB	45	DARIUS FLEMING	6-2	247	Jr.
	55	Prince Shembo	6-2	243	Fr.
ILB	44	Carlo Calabrese	6-1	240	So.
	54	Anthony McDonald	6-2	238	Jr.
ILB	5	MANTI TE'O	6-2	245	So.
	13	Danny Spond	6-2	225	Fr.
OLB	56	Kerry Neal	6-2	245	Sr.
	58	BRIAN SMITH	6-3	243	Sr.
CB	2	DARRIN WALLS	6-0	190	Sr.
	23	Lo Wood	5-10	178	Fr.
S	22	HARRISON SMITH	6-2	214	Sr.
	15	Dan McCarthy	6-2	205	Jr.
S	26	Jamoris Slaughter	6-0	195	Jr.
	17	Zeke Motta	6-2	210	So.
CB	4	GARY GRAY	5-11	190	Sr.
	12	ROBERT BLANTON	6-1	192	Jr.

Notre Dame Special Teams

HLD	50	Ryan Kavanagh	6-3	200	Jr.
	35	Ben Turk	5-11	196	So.
PR	81	John Goodman	6-3	207	Jr.
	5	Armando Allen Jr.	5-10	205	Sr.
KR	86	Bennett Jackson	6-0	172	Fr.
	6	THEO RIDDICK	5-11	198	So.
	20	Cierre Wood	6-0	210	So.
KO	97	DAVID RUFFER	6-1	176	Sr.
	40	Nick Tausch	6-0	190	So.

ALL CAPS - returning starter from 2009

**Notre Dame Football
Roster Information**

NUMERICAL			ALPHABETICAL						
No.	Name	Pos	No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown/Previous School
1	Deion Walker	WR	5	***Allen Jr., Armando	RB	5-10	205	Sr.	Opa Locka, FL/Hialeah-Miami Lakes
2	Darrin Walls	CB	27	Banks, E.J.	CB	5-11	182	So.	Pittsburgh, PA/Montour
3	Michael Floyd	WR	68	Belcher, John+	LS/DL	5-11	235	Sr.	Cheyenne, WY/Cheyenne Central
4	Gary Gray	CB	12	**Blanton, Robert	CB	6-1	192	Jr.	Matthews, NC/Butler
5	Armando Allen Jr.	RB	63	Botsford, Steve+	OLB	6-2	225	Sr.	Arlington Heights, IL/St. Viator
5	Manti Te'o	LB	72	Bullard, Alex	OG	6-3	295	So.	Franklin, TN/Brentwood Academy
6	Theo Riddick	WR	41	*Burger, Bobby+	FB/TE	6-2	248	Sr.	Cincinnati, OH/LaSalle
7	TJ Jones	WR	44	Calabrese, Carlo	ILB	6-1	240	So.	Verona, NJ/Verona
8	Kendall Moore	ILB	15	Castello, Brian+	QB	6-2	210	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Chartiers Valley
9	Kyle Rudolph	TE	52	*Cave, Braxton	C	6-3	301	Jr.	Mishawaka, IN/Penn
10	Dayne Crist	QB	73	Clelland, Lane	OT	6-5	297	Jr.	Owings Mills, MD/McDonogh School
12	Robert Blanton	CB	28	Collinsworth, Austin	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	Fort Thomas, KY/Highlands
12	Andrew Hendrix	QB	29	Coughlin, Patrick+	RB	6-0	195	Sr.	Oak Lawn, IL/Brother Rice
13	Tommy Rees	QB	60	*Cowart, Jordan	LS	6-2	215	So.	Plantation, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
13	Danny Spond	OLB	10	*Crist, Dayne	QB	6-4	235	Jr.	Canoga Park, CA/Notre Dame
14	Luke Massa	QB	98	*Cwynar, Sean	DE	6-4	280	Jr.	McHenry, IL/Marian Central Catholic
15	Brian Castello	QB	75	*Dever, Taylor	OT	6-5	297	Sr.	Nevada City, CA/Nevada Union
15	Dan McCarthy	S	80	Eifert, Tyler	TE	6-6	242	So.	Fort Wayne, IN/Bishop Dwenger
16	Nate Montana	QB	46	**Filer, Steve	OLB	6-3	235	Jr.	Chicago, IL/Mount Carmel
17	Zeke Motta	S	37	Fitzpatrick, Nick+	WR	5-8	160	So.	Mishawaka, IN/Marian
17	Matthew Mulvey	QB	62	Flavin, Bill+	OC/LS	6-3	260	Sr.	Darien, IL/Benet Academy
18	Duval Kamara	WR	45	**Fleming, Darius	OLB	6-2	247	Jr.	Chicago, IL/St. Rita
19	Robby Toma	WR	3	**Floyd, Michael	WR	6-3	227	Jr.	St. Paul, MN/Cretin-Derham Hall
20	Cierre Wood	RB	48	Fox, Dan	OLB	6-3	230	So.	Rocky River, OH/St. Ignatius
21	Barry Gallup Jr.	CB	42	*Franco, Dan+	WR	5-10	188	Sr.	Granger, IN/Clay
22	Harrison Smith	S	47	Frantz, Jonathan+	LB	6-2	211	Jr.	Avon Lake, OH/St. Ignatius
23	Lo Wood	CB	21	**Gallup Jr., Barry	CB	5-11	190	Sr.	Wellesley, MA/Belmont Hill
25	Jonas Gray	RB	29	Garcia, Michael+	S	6-2	198	Sr.	Colorado Springs, Co/St. Mary's
26	Jamoris Slaughter	S	88	Golic, Jake	TE	6-4	235	So.	West Hartford, CT/Northwest Catholic
27	E.J. Banks	CB	57	Golic Jr., Mike	C	6-3	290	Jr.	West Hartford, CT/Northwest Catholic
27	Derry Herlihy	RB	81	*Goodman, John	WR	6-3	207	Jr.	Fort Wayne, IN/Bishop Dwenger
28	Austin Collinsworth	WR	4	**Gray, Gary	CB	5-11	190	Sr.	Columbia, SC/Richland Northeast
29	Patrick Coughlin	RB	25	**Gray, Jonas	RB	5-10	230	Jr.	Pontiac, MI/Detroit Country Day
29	Michael Garcia	S	37	Grieco, Mike+	P	6-1	185	Jr.	Glen Ellyn, IL/St. Ignatius
30	Steve Paskorz	ILB	38	Gurries, Christopher+	WR	5-10	186	Sr.	Reno, NV/Bishop Manoque
30	James Redshaw	CB	93	Heggie, Bruce	DE	6-5	250	Fr.	Sorrento, FL/Mount Dora
31	Cameron Roberson	RB	12	Hendrix, Andrew	QB	6-2	218	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH/Moeller
33	Robert Hughes	RB/FB	27	Herlihy, Derry+	RB	6-0	198	Sr.	Houston, TX/St. John's
33	Chris Salvi	S	65	Hernandez, Mike+	OG	6-2	275	Jr.	Pasadena, CA/Loyola
35	Andrew Plaska	CB	33	***Hughes, Robert	RB/FB	5-11	245	Sr.	Chicago, IL/Hubbard
35	Ben Turk	P	86	Jackson, Bennett	WR	6-0	172	Fr.	Hazlet, NJ/Raritan
36	David Posluszny	ILB	90	**Johnson, Ethan	DE	6-4	285	Jr.	Portland, OR/Lincoln
37	Mike Grieco	P	7	Jones, TJ	WR	5-11	187	Fr.	Gainesville, GA/Gainesville
37	Nick Fitzpatrick	WR	18	***Kamara, Duval	WR	6-4	225	Sr.	Jersey City, NJ/Hoboken
38	Chris Gurries	WR	50	Kavanagh, Ryan+	LS	6-3	200	Jr.	West Chester, PA/Salesianum (Del.)
39	Ryan Sheehan	CB	89	*Lewis-Moore, Kapron	DE	6-4	283	Jr.	Weatherford, TX/Weatherford
40	Thomas Smith	S	42	Lezynski, Nick+	CB	5-9	180	Sr.	Newton, PA/Notre Dame High School
40	Nick Tausch	K	74	Lombard, Christian	OT	6-5	290	Fr.	Inverness, IL/Fremd
41	Bobby Burger	TE/FB	71	Mahoney, Dennis+	OT	6-7	289	Jr.	Baltimore, MD/Boys Latin High School
42	Dan Franco	WR	69	Marek, Joe+	DE	6-2	225	So.	St. Paul MN/Cretin-Derham Hall
42	Nick Lezynski	CB	70	Martin, Zack	OT	6-4	290	So.	Indianapolis, IN/Bishop Chatard
43	Romano, Joe	DB	14	Massa, Luke	QB	6-4	215	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH/St. Xavier
44	Carlo Calabrese	ILB	15	McCarthy, Dan	S	6-2	205	Jr.	Youngstown, OH/Cardinal Mooney
45	Darius Fleming	OLB	54	*McDonald, Anthony	ILB	6-2	238	Jr.	Burbank, CA/Notre Dame
46	Steve Filer	OLB	16	Montana, Nate	QB	6-4	215	Jr.	Concord, CA/De La Salle
47	Jonathan Frantz	LB	8	Moore, Kendall	ILB	6-1	239	Fr.	Raleigh, NC/Southeast Raleigh
48	Dan Fox	OLB	17	*Motta, Zeke	S	6-2	210	So.	Vero Beach, FL/Vero Beach
50	Ryan Kavanagh	LS	17	Mulvey, Matthew+	QB	6-2	191	Jr.	Del Mar, CA/LaJolla
50	Sean Oxley	ILB	56	***Neal, Kerry	OLB	6-2	245	Sr.	Bunn, NC/Bunn
51	Dan Wenger	C	99	Newman, Brandon	NG	6-0	300	Jr.	Louisville, KY/Pleasure Ridge Park
52	Braxton Cave	C	64	Nichols, Tate	OT	6-8	303	Fr.	Walton, KY/Ryle

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Roster Information

ALPHABETICAL (CONT.)

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl. [^]	Hometown/Previous School
67	Nix III, Louis	NG	6-3	350	Fr.	Jacksonville, FL/Raines
76	*Nuss, Andrew	OG	6-5	297	Sr.	Ashburn, VA/Stone Bridge
91	Nwankwo, Emeka	DE	6-4	290	Sr.	N. Miami Beach, FL/Chaminade-Madonna Prep
50	Oxley, Sean+	ILB	6-2	227	Jr.	Avon Lake, OH/Avon Lake
30	*Paskorz, Steve	ILB	6-1	246	Sr.	Allison Park, PA/Hampton
35	Plaska, Andrew+	CB	5-11	185	Jr.	Zeeland, MI/Zeeland West
36	*Posluszny, David	ILB	6-0	235	Jr.	Aliquippa, PA/Hopewell
61	Quintana, Martin+	DE	6-0	232	Sr.	Berwyn, IL/St. Joseph
83	**Ragone, Mike	TE	6-4	245	Sr.	Cherry Hill, NJ/Camden Catholic
30	Redshaw, James+	CB	5-9	186	Sr.	North Huntingdon, PA/Norwin
13	Rees, Tommy	QB	6-2	210	Fr.	Lake Forest, IL/Lake Forest
6	*Riddick, Theo	WR	5-11	198	So.	Manville, NJ/Immaculata
31	Roberson, Cameron	RB	6-0	218	Fr.	Newbury Park, CA/Newbury Park
78	**Robinson, Trevor	OG	6-5	295	Jr.	Elkhorn, NE/Elkhorn
43	Romano, Joe+	DB	5-9	165	Fr.	River Forest, IL/Fenwick
77	*Romine, Matt	OT	6-5	292	Sr.	Tulsa, OK/Union
9	**Rudolph, Kyle	TE	6-6	265	Jr.	Cincinnati, OH/Elder
97	Ruffer, David+	K	6-1	176	Sr.	Oakton, VA/Gonzaga
33	Salvi, Chris+	S	5-10	185	Jr.	Lake Forest, IL/Carmel Catholic
96	Schwenke, Kona	DE	6-4	245	Fr.	Hauula, HI/Kahuku
39	Sheehan, Ryan+	CB	5-10	177	Sr.	Purcellville, VA/Loudown Valley
55	Shembo, Prince	ILB	6-2	243	Fr.	Charlotte, NC/Ardrey Kell
62	Skubis, Christopher+	DE	6-2	232	Sr.	Clarence, NY/Clarence
26	*Slaughter, Jamoris	S	6-0	195	Jr.	Stone Mountain, GA/Tucker
58	***Smith, Brian	OLB	6-3	243	Sr.	Overland Park, KS/Saint Thomas Aquinas
87	Smith, Daniel	WR	6-4	208	Fr.	South Bend, IN/Clay
22	**Smith, Harrison	S	6-2	214	Sr.	Knoxville, TN/Knoxville Catholic
40	Smith, Thomas+	S	6-1	215	Sr.	Manchester, CT/East Catholic
13	Spond, Danny	OLB	6-2	225	Fr.	Littleton, CO/Columbine
59	***Stewart, Chris	OG	6-5	351	Sr.	Spring, TX/Klein
92	Stockton, Tyler	NG	6-0	290	So.	Linwood, NJ/Hun School
79	Tansey, Matt+	OL	6-6	236	So.	Berkely Heights, NJ/Governor Livingston
40	*Tausch, Nick	K	6-0	190	So.	Plano, TX/Jesuit
5	*Te'o, Manti	ILB	6-2	245	So.	Laie, HI/Punahou
19	Toma, Robby	WR	5-9	175	So.	Laie, HI/Punahou
35	Turk, Ben	P	5-11	196	So.	Davie, FL/St. Thomas Aquinas
53	Utupo, Justin	OLB	6-1	251	Fr.	Lakewood, CA/Lakewood
96	*Walker, Brandon	K	6-3	210	Sr.	Findlay, OH/Findlay
1	Walker, Deion	WR	6-3	198	Jr.	Christchurch, VA/Christchurch
2	***Walls, Darrin	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	Pittsburgh, PA/Woodland Hills
66	Watt, Chris	OG	6-3	310	So.	Glen Ellyn, IL/Glenbard West
82	Welch, Alex	TE	6-4	240	Fr.	Cincinnati, OH/Elder
51	***Wenger, Dan	C	6-4	298	Sr.	Coral Springs, FL/Saint Thomas Aquinas
94	Williams, Hafis	DE	6-1	285	Jr.	Elizabeth, NJ/Elizabeth
95	***Williams, Ian	NG	6-2	305	Sr.	Altamonte Springs, FL/Lyman
20	Wood, Cierre	RB	6-0	210	So.	Oxnard, CA/Santa Clara
23	Wood, Lo	CB	5-10	178	Fr.	Apopka, FL/Apopka

+ Walk-on Player

* indicates number of monograms earned

^ indicates academic year

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No.	Name	Pos
53	Justin Utupo	OLB
54	Anthony McDonald	ILB
55	Prince Shembo	ILB
56	Kerry Neal	OLB
57	Mike Golic Jr.	C
58	Brian Smith	OLB
59	Chris Stewart	OG
60	Jordan Cowart	LS
61	Martin Quintana	DE
62	Bill Flavin	C/LS
62	Christopher Skubis	DE
63	Steve Botsford	OLB
64	Tate Nichols	OT
65	Mike Hernandez	OG
66	Chris Watt	OG
67	Louis Nix III	NG
68	John Belcher	LS/DL
69	Joe Marek	DE
70	Zack Martin	OT
71	Dennis Mahoney	OT
72	Alex Bullard	OT
73	Lane Clelland	OT
74	Christian Lombard	OT
75	Taylor Dever	OT
76	Andrew Nuss	OT
77	Matt Romine	OT
78	Trevor Robinson	OG
79	Matt Tansey	OL
80	Tyler Eifert	TE
81	John Goodman	WR
82	Alex Welch	TE
83	Mike Ragone	TE
86	Bennett Jackson	WR
87	Daniel Smith	WR
88	Jake Golic	TE
89	Kapron Lewis-Moore	DE
90	Ethan Johnson	DE
91	Emeka Nwankwo	DE
92	Tyler Stockton	NG
93	Bruce Heggie	DE
94	Hafis Williams	DE
95	Ian Williams	NG
96	Kona Schwenke	DE
96	Brandon Walker	K
97	David Ruffer	K
98	Sean Cwynar	NG
99	Brandon Newman	NG

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Calabrese, Carlo – CAL-uh-breeze	Heggie, Bruce – HEGG-ee	Slaughter, Jamoris – juh-MORE-iss
Clelland, Lane – CLELL-und	Kamara, Duval – kuh-MARE-uh, doo-VALL	Tausch, Nick – TOWSH
Coughlin, Patrick – COG-linn	Lewis-Moore, Kapron – cap-rin	Te'o, Manti – TAY-oh, MAN-tie
Cowart, Jordan – COW-ert	Massa, Luke – MASS-uh	Toma, Robby – TOE-muh
Crist, Dayne – crist (rhymes with wrist)	Mulvey, Matthew – MULL-vee	Utupo, Justin – you-TOO-poe
Cwynar, Sean – SWIN-are	Nwankwo, Emeka – nuh-WONK-wo, uh-MEK-uh	Williams, Hafis – hah-FEESE
Dever, Taylor – dever (rhymes with never)	Posluszny, David – poz-LUZ-nee	Wood, Cierre – see-AIR
Eifert, Tyler – EYE-fert	Romine, Matt – ro-MINE	
Filer, Steve – FY-ler	Schwenke, Kona – sh-wenk-ee, COE-nuh	

Notre Dame vs. Pittsburgh Series History

Notre Dame leads 44-20-1

In Notre Dame: Notre Dame leads 19-10

In Pittsburgh: Notre Dame leads 25-10-1

Neutral: Series tied 0-0

Longest Irish Win Streak: 9, (1966-74)

Longest Panthers Win Streak: 3, three times (1932-34, 1958-60, 1983-87)

Largest Victory: 58, (58-0), 1944 in Pittsburgh

Largest Defeat: 26, (0-26), 1936 in Pittsburgh

Site	Year	Rank	W/L/T	ND	UP	Site	Year	Rank	W/L/T	ND	UP
	1909		W	6	0		1967	9-	W	38	0
	1911		T	0	0	*	1968	12-	W	56	7
	1912		W	3	0		1969	8-	W	49	7
	1930		W	35	19	*	1970	2-	W	46	14
*	1931		W	25	12		1971	8-	W	56	7
	1932		L	0	12	*	1972	7-	W	42	16
*	1933		L	0	14		1973	5-20	W	31	10
	1934		L	0	19	*	1974	5-17	W	14	10
*	1935		W	9	6		1975	9-	L	20	34
	1936	7-9	L	0	26	*	1976	11-9	L	10	31
*	1937	12-3	L	6	21		1977	3-7	W	19	9
	1943		W	41	0	*	1978	-9	W	26	17
	1944		W	58	0		1982	-1	W	31	16
	1945	3-	W	39	9	*	1983	18-	L	16	21
*	1946		W	33	0	*	1986		L	9	10
	1947		W	40	6		1987	4-	L	22	30
	1948		W	40	0		1988	5-	W	30	20
*	1950		W	18	7	*	1989	1-7	W	45	7
	1951		W	33	0		1990	3-	W	31	22
*	1952	8-	L	19	22	*	1991	7-12	W	42	7
*	1953	1-15	W	23	14		1992	14-	W	52	21
	1954	8-	W	33	0	*	1993	4-	W	44	0
	1956	-20	L	13	26	*	1996	14-	W	60	6
*	1957	7-	W	13	7		1997		W	45	21
	1958	14-	L	26	29		1999		L	27	37
	1959		L	13	28	*	2001		W	24	7
*	1960	-14	L	13	20	*	2002	8-	W	14	6
	1961		W	26	20		2003	-15	W	20	14
*	1962		W	43	22	*	2004	24-	L	38	41
*	1963	-8	L	7	27		2005	-23	W	42	21
	1964	1-	W	17	15	*	2008		L (4ot)	33	36
	1965	4-	W	69	13		2009	-8	L	22	27
*	1966	1-	W	40	0						

2010 Pittsburgh Results (2-2 Overall, 0-0 BIG EAST)

Sept. 2	at Utah	Salt Lake City, UT	L, 27-24 (OT)
Sept. 11	vs. New Hampshire	Heinz Field	W, 38-16
Sept. 23	vs. Miami	Heinz Field	L, 31-3
Oct. 2	vs. Florida International	Heinz Field	W, 44-17
Oct. 9	at Notre Dame	South Bend, IN	3:30 p.m. ET
Oct. 16	at Syracuse	Syracuse, NY	TBA
Oct. 23	vs. Rutgers	Heinz Field	TBA
Oct. 30	vs. Louisville	Heinz Field	TBA
Nov. 11	at Connecticut	East Hartford, CT	7:30 p.m. ET
Nov. 20	at USF	Tampa, FL	TBA
Nov. 26	vs. West Virginia	Heinz Field	TBA
Dec. 4	at Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	TBA

PITTSBURGH HEAD COACH DAVE WANNSTEDT

The Pitt football program's stock continues to rise under the direction of Dave Wannstedt, who enters his sixth year as head coach of the Panthers.

Wannstedt's tenure at his alma mater has been marked by unmistakable progress and achievement. The 2009 season was the latest example of Pitt's ascendance under his direction. Among the highlights:

- The Panthers finished with a 10-3 record, capped by an exciting 19-17 victory over North Carolina in the Meineke Car Care Bowl. It was the program's winningest campaign since 1981.
- Pitt's 10 victories secured a final national ranking of No. 15 in both polls, the Panthers' highest final listing since 1982.
- Over the past two seasons, Pitt has produced 19 wins, the second highest total in the Big East Conference and among the top 25 nationally.

On an individual level, Pitt players again were recognized among the very best in all of college football. Tight end Dorin Dickerson earned first team All-America honors from the Football Writers Association of America (FWAA), the third player in the past four seasons under Wannstedt to earn that prestigious accolade.

Tailback Dion Lewis was the most decorated freshman in the country after rushing for 1,799 yards last year. Lewis was named the national freshman of the year by Sporting News and CBS Sports. Additionally, he earned Big East Offensive Player of the Year and Rookie of the Year honors from the league's coaches.

On the other side of the ball, defensive end Greg Romeus and defensive tackle Mick Williams shared the Big East Defensive Player of the Year honor, the first time in the league's history a pair of teammates received the award in the same season.

All indications are that this success is just the beginning for the Panthers. With Wannstedt's recent string of strong recruiting classes, and the infusion of a winning culture at Pitt, the Panthers appear primed to continue their rise.

A QUICK LOOK AT THE PANTHERS LAST WEEK

PITTSBURGH (AP) -- Ray Graham ran for 277 yards and three touchdowns in his first college start and Pittsburgh shook off three sluggish quarters to beat Florida International 44-17.

Graham's third consecutive 100-yard game - his first two were off the bench - represented the second-highest rushing total in Pitt history. Only Tony Dorsett gained more, running for 303 yards against Notre Dame in 1975, the season before he won the Heisman Trophy.

Graham scored on runs of 89, 34 and 19 yards for Pitt.

The Panthers (2-2) led only 13-10 at the half and 16-10 after three quarters before scoring four touchdowns in the fourth quarter against winless FIU (0-4), which is 14-72 since starting football.

NOTRE DAME - PITTSBURGH SERIES HISTORY

- ▶ This year's matchup will mark the 66th meeting between Notre Dame and Pittsburgh, with the Irish holding a 44-20-1 series lead.
- ▶ The teams first played in 1909, '11 and '12 (all at Pittsburgh's legendary Forbes Field), with Notre Dame picking up two wins and a tie and shutting out Pittsburgh in all three contests. The series resumed from 1930-37 before taking a five-year break. It picked up again from 1943-54, took 1955 off, and then played every year in a 23-season stretch (1956-78) before taking a four-year hiatus in the series. The Irish and Panthers met in 1982 and '83, every season from 1986-92, and then 1996, '97, '99, 2001-05 and '08-'09.
- ▶ Notre Dame was the opponent in Pittsburgh's final game at Pitt Stadium -- the Panthers won, 37-27. Pittsburgh now plays its home games at Heinz Field, also home of the NFL's Pittsburgh Steelers.
- ▶ Notre Dame and Pittsburgh have met in 56 of the last 68 seasons (including 2010), with no gaps in the series of more than three years during that 68-year period.
- ▶ Pittsburgh notched its highest point total ever in the series (41) in its 2004 meeting with Notre Dame; conversely, the Irish have topped the 40-point level 19 times against the Panthers, including an eight-game stretch from 1965-72.
- ▶ Four of the 10 biggest victory margins in Notre Dame history have come against Pittsburgh: by 58 in 1944 (58-0), by 56 in both 1945 (56-0) and 1965 (69-13), and by 54 in 1996 (60-6).

NOTRE DAME - PITTSBURGH SERIES NOTES

- ▶ Notre Dame has won 12 of the last 16 meetings with the Panthers, including two of the last three games in Heinz Field (20-14 on Oct. 11, 2003 and 42-21 on Sept. 3, 2005; 22-27 on Nov. 14, 2009), but Pittsburgh has upended the Irish, 41-38 and 36-33 (4ot), in the last two meetings in Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ The Irish own a 19-10 record against the Panthers at Notre Dame Stadium and a 25-10-1 mark against Pittsburgh away from Notre Dame Stadium.
- ▶ Notre Dame has won 26 of their last 35 contests against the Panthers, dating back to 1964 (Ara Parseghian's first as Notre Dame's head coach).
- ▶ Pittsburgh has been ranked higher than Notre Dame entering a matchup in the series 10 times, winning the first five games (1937, '56, '60, '63 and '76), but then lost the next four (1978, '82, '03 and '05) before winning last season. Interestingly, the Irish were unranked in all four of those upset victories.
- ▶ In the most recent meeting at Heinz Field in 2009, Pittsburgh held off Notre Dame late for a 27-22 victory. Jonathan Baldwin made two exceptional catches that allowed No. 8 Pittsburgh to open up an 18-point lead in the fourth quarter. Notre Dame rallied behind two touchdowns by Golden Tate, but the Irish came up short. In 2005, Notre Dame posted touchdown drives on five of its first six possessions in a 42-21 rout of No. 23 Pittsburgh. The game was former head coach Charlie Weis' first at Notre Dame.

- ▶ In the last two meetings at Notre Dame Stadium in 2004 and 2008, Notre Dame dropped 41-38 and 36-33 decisions to Pittsburgh on last-second field goals. In '04, Josh Cummings kicked a 32-yard field goal with one second left in regulation to secure the victory. In '08, Conor Lee kicked his school-record fifth field goal in the fourth overtime to secure the Panthers' victory.
- ▶ Over the last 16 games in the series, Notre Dame has outscored the Panthers 569-293, topping the 30-point mark 11 times in that span and producing an average score of 35.6-18.3.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 73-33-3 (.683) all-time against schools from the state of Pennsylvania, with the Pittsburgh series accounting for more than half of the games played (65) and the Irish victories (44).
- ▶ Dating back to 1990, the Irish are 6-1 against Pittsburgh when the Panthers finish the game with more passing yards than Notre Dame.
- ▶ Since 1990, the Irish have scored 40 or more points a total of 51 times and six have come against Pittsburgh. That number is the second most against any opponent during that time frame, as Notre Dame has accomplished the feat seven times against Navy.
- ▶ Since 1990, Notre Dame has committed fewer turnovers than Pittsburgh in a head-to-head matchup seven times and the Irish are 6-1 in those games (the only defeat came in 2008 when Notre Dame forced three turnovers and did not commit one).
- ▶ Since 1990, Notre Dame is 9-0 against Pittsburgh when an Irish runner scores multiple rushing touchdowns and just 1-3 when no one scores more than one.
- ▶ Since 1990, the Irish and Panthers have faced off in years ending with an odd number eight times, and Notre Dame is 6-2 in those contests. The Irish are 4-2 in years ending with an even number.
- ▶ Since 1990, Notre Dame is 9-0 against Pittsburgh when at least one Irish runner reaches the century mark in terms of rushing yards and just 1-3 when none do.
- ▶ Only four teams have beaten the Irish more times than Pittsburgh's 20 — USC with 34, Michigan State with 28, Purdue with 26 and Michigan with 22.

Notre Dame vs. BIG EAST

School	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct.
Cincinnati	1	0	0	1.000
Louisville	0	0	0	.000
Pittsburgh	44	20	1	.685
Rutgers	4	0	0	1.000
South Florida	0	0	0	.000
Syracuse	3	3	0	.500
UConn	0	1	0	.000
West Virginia	4	0	0	1.000
TOTALS	56	24	1	.698

NOTRE DAME VS. BIG EAST

- ▶ Notre Dame has won almost 70 percent of its games (56-24-1) vs. teams that currently make up the BIG EAST Conference, with 65 of those 81 games coming versus former independent Pittsburgh.
- ▶ This is Notre Dame's first and only meeting with a BIG EAST foe this season.
- ▶ Notre Dame played three BIG EAST schools during each of the 2001, '02, '03 and '04 seasons. The Irish will once again face three BIG EAST opponents in 2011 (USF, Pitt and UConn).
- ▶ The Irish own a winning series record against four of the six BIG EAST teams they have faced.
- ▶ The Irish are 26-12 (.684) all-time at home against BIG EAST teams.
- ▶ Notre Dame is 24-14 (.632) against BIG EAST teams since 1990, including a run of eight consecutive victories from 1995-98.
- ▶ The Irish have dropped eight of their last 10 games against BIG EAST schools.
- ▶ Notre Dame capped its 1988 national championship season with a 34-21 win in the Fiesta Bowl over No. 3 West Virginia.
- ▶ The Irish have never faced Louisville or USF on the gridiron.
- ▶ Notre Dame has played Cincinnati and Connecticut just once. The Irish upended the Bearcats 58-0 in 1900. The Huskies clipped Notre Dame, 33-30, in double overtime in 2009.
- ▶ The Irish are a perfect 4-0 against Rutgers, including a trio of shutouts (1921, 48-0; 1996, 62-0; 2002, 42-0).

NOTRE DAME'S PENNSYLVANIA QB PIPELINE

- ▶ Notre Dame's all-time football roster includes 18 quarterbacks from the state of Pennsylvania, highlighted by some of the most noteworthy QBs in program history: John Lujack (Connessville/Connessville HS, 1943, '46-'47), Bob Williams (Wilkes-Barre/G.A.R., 1956-58), Terry Hanratty (Butler/Butler HS, 1966-68), Tom Clements (McKees Rocks/Cenevin HS, 1972-74), Joe Montana (Monongahela/Ringgold HS, 1975, '77-'78) and Ron Powlus (Berwick/Berwick HS, 1994-97).
- ▶ Lujack played on three national title teams and won the '47 Heisman Trophy while Williams backed up Heisman Trophy winner Paul Hornung in '56 before starting in '57 and '58. Williams made some key plays on both sides of the ball in the 7-0 win at Oklahoma in '57, halting the Sooners' NCAA-record 47-game winning streak. Hanratty was a three-year starter and helped the Irish win the '66 national championship. Clements also was a three-year starter and led the Irish to a national title in his junior season ('73). Montana backed up Rick Slager in '75 and was injured in '76 before guiding the Irish to the '77 national title (he also started in '78 and led Notre Dame to a legendary 35-34 comeback victory over Houston in the Cotton Bowl).

- ▶ Hanratty completed 58.9 percent of his passes in '68 (ninth in Irish history) while his 366 passing yards vs. Purdue in '67 remain 11th all-time at Notre Dame. He also ranks eighth at Notre Dame for career passing yards (4,152) and TDs (tied, 27) and seventh with 304 completions.
- ▶ Clements ranks 11th in Irish history with 265 completions (in three seasons).
- ▶ Montana ranks 10th at Notre Dame with 268 career completions (in three years) while his 141 completions in 1978 rank 11th all-time.
- ▶ Powlus stands third in Irish career history for completions (558), fifth in season completion percentage (.611, 1997), fourth in career completion percentage (.575) and owns the third-lowest career interception ratio (.0278, 27 of 969). He also ranks third in career passing yards (7,602), fifth in TD passes in a season (19 in 1994) and third in career TD passes (52) while sitting tied for sixth for TD passes in a game (four, three times). Powlus pretty much owned every school record before Brady Quinn and Jimmy Clausen arrived on the Notre Dame campus.
- ▶ Pittsburgh and the surrounding western Pennsylvania area have produced a number of Irish QBs including Lujack, Williams, Hanratty, Montana, Clarence Diebold (Pittsburgh, starter in 1900), Joe Gasperella (Pittsburgh/Vandergrift HS, '44-'45), Jim Bigelow (Glenshaw/Shaler HS, '52-'54 reserve), Pat Steenberg (Erie/Cathedral Prep, '70-'71), Jim Bulger (Pittsburgh/Central Catholic HS, '70-'71 reserve), Ken Karcher (Glenshaw/Shaler HS, '81-'82), and Paul Failla (Sewickley/North Allegheny HS, '91-'93).
- ▶ Other Notre Dame QBs from Pennsylvania have included Philadelphia natives Vince McNally (Roman Catholic HS, '25-'26), Charles McKinney ('26-'27 reserve) and Bill Whiteside (LaSalle HS, '49-'50), plus John Mazur (Plymouth/Plymouth HS, backup in '49-'50, starter in '51) and Cliff Brown (Middletown/Middletown Area HS, '71-'73).

COMMON PLACE

- ▶ Pittsburgh (66th meeting in '10) is the fifth-most common opponent in Irish football history, trailing four other '10 foes: Navy (83), Purdue (82), USC (81) and Michigan State (74).
- ▶ The Irish have played 137 different teams in their 121 seasons of varsity football.

BIG PLAYS HIGHLIGHT THE PITTSBURGH SERIES

- ▶ Some of the biggest-gaining plays in Notre Dame football history have come in games against Pittsburgh, including the longest punt, longest field goal, third-longest pass play, fourth-longest run from scrimmage and fifth- and sixth-longest punt return.
- ▶ The longest game also came in the series with the Panthers. Pittsburgh outlasted the Irish, 36-33, in four overtimes in 2008.
- ▶ The longest punt and field goal in Notre Dame history both have come in games against Pittsburgh (42 seasons apart). Bill Shakespeare booted an 86-yard punt versus the Panthers in 1935, while Dave Reeve connected on a 53-yard field goal in the 1976 season-opening loss to Pittsburgh (31-10). Shakespeare also had a 72-yard punt against the Panthers in 1934 (still seventh in Irish history).
- ▶ Bob Kelly ripped off an 85-yard run versus Pittsburgh in 1944 (tied for fourth in the Irish record book), while John Huarte's 91-yard pass play to Nick Eddy remains the third-longest in school history.
- ▶ Six of the longest punt returns in Notre Dame history have also come against Pittsburgh: Joe Heap (fifth-longest, 92 yards, 1952), Golden Tate (sixth, 87 yards, 2009), Lancaster Smith (eighth, 85, 1948), Allen Rossum (ninth, 83, 1996), Tom Schoen (13th, 78, 1967) and Autry Denson (15th, 74, 1996).

NOTRE DAME AND PITTSBURGH IN THE RECORD BOOK

- ▶ The following Notre Dame records were set in games against Pittsburgh: Julius Jones' 262 rushing yards (24 for 262, 2003), Tom Schoen's nine punt returns (1967), 231 team punt-return yards and 38.5 yards per punt return (1996), low ND first downs (3, modern record, 1937), 31 rushing first downs (1993), 40 points in the second quarter (1996) and 49 points in the first half (modern record, 1968).

Head-to-Head Statistical Comparison						
NOTRE DAME				PITTSBURGH		
#	NCAA	Category	vs.	Category	NCAA	#
24.60	82nd	Scoring Offense	vs.	Scoring Defense	56th	22.75
404.00	48th	Total Offense	vs.	Total Defense	53rd	341.75
111.00	97th	Rushing Offense	vs.	Rushing Defense	15th	97.00
293.00	17th	Passing Offense	vs.	Passing Defense	92nd	244.75
123.70	77th	Passing Efficiency Off.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Def.	68th	125.86
24.80	70th	Scoring Defense	vs.	Scoring Offense	65th	27.25
401.00	89th	Total Defense	vs.	Total Offense	77th	353.00
152.80	68th	Rushing Defense	vs.	Rushing Offense	52nd	169.75
248.20	96th	Passing Defense	vs.	Passing Offense	88th	183.25
120.53	53rd	Passing Efficiency Def.	vs.	Passing Efficiency Off.	85th	120.19
36.34	58th	Net Punting	vs.	Net Punting	1st	44.75
11.67	30th	Punt Returns	vs.	Punt Returns	33rd	11.30
21.20	69th	Kickoff Returns	vs.	Kickoff Returns	65th	21.35
-0.80	94th	Turnover Margin	vs.	Turnover Margin	t-60th	0.00
2.60	31st	Sacks	vs.	Sacks Allowed	83rd	2.25
1.80	56th	Sacks Allowed	vs.	Sacks	t-36th	2.50

Top Notre Dame Performances Against Pittsburgh

Rushing Yards

Julius Jones 24-262, 2 TDs; 10.11.2003

Passing Yards

George Izo 18-26-1-322, 2 TDs; 11.8.1958

Receptions

Bobby Brown 12-208, 1 TD; 11.13.1999

Receiving Yards

Bobby Brown 12-208, 1 TD; 11.13.1999

Points Kicking

Brandon Walker 15 (3 PAT, 4 FG); 11.1.2008

Kickoff Return Yards

Julius Jones 7-163; 11.13.1999

Punt Return Yards

Tom Schoen 9-167; 11.11.1967

Touchdowns

Bill Wolski 5 (5 rushing); 11.6.1965

Tackles

Bob Golic 22; 10.14.1978

Interceptions

Angelo Dabiero 2; 11.11.1961

Raeson McNeil 2; 11.1.2008

Points Scored

69 (W, 69-13); 1965 in Pittsburgh

Points Scored (quarter)

40 (W, 60-6); 2nd Quarter; 1996 in Notre Dame

Points Scored (half)

49 (W, 56-7); 1st Half; 1968 in Notre Dame

Points Allowed

41 (L, 41-38); 2004 in Notre Dame

Points Allowed (quarter)

21 (L, 41-38); 2nd Quarter; 2004 in Notre Dame

Points Allowed (half)

28 (L, 41-38); 1st Half; 2004 in Notre Dame

► The following are tied for first in the Notre Dame record book and were set in games versus Pittsburgh: Ken Ivan's nine PATs (1965), Allen Rossum's two punt returns for TDs (1996), low total offense attempts (31 in 1937), modern records of 69 points, 10 TDs and nine PATs (1965), low ND rushing first downs (1 in 1937), low ND passing first downs (0 in 1989) and no ND punts (last done in 1993).

► The first of Lee Becton's six consecutive 100-yard rushing games (a Notre Dame record) came against Pittsburgh in 1993.

► Bill Wolski's 30 points (five TDs) versus Pittsburgh in 1965 rank second in the Irish record book, as do Ivan's 10 PAT attempts in 1965.

► Angelo Dabiero's 22.6 yards per kick return average (6 for 136) against Pittsburgh in 1960 ranks sixth in Irish history, while Tim Brown's 26.0 yards per catch ratio (6 for 156) in 1987 ranks 11th.

► Former Pittsburgh players and teams hold the following Notre Dame opponent records: 303 rushing yards by Tony Dorsett (23 carries in 1975), 754 career rushing yards by Dorsett (96 carries from 1973-76), six career TD passes by Alex Van Pelt (1989-92), 10 career PATs and five career field goals by Carson Long (tied for first, 1973-76), and 411 team rushing yards (50 carries in 1975, tied for first).

NOTRE DAME - PITTSBURGH CONNECTIONS

► The 2010 Notre Dame roster includes seven Pennsylvania natives: senior QB Brian Castello (Pittsburgh/Chartiers Valley H.S.), junior LS Ryan Kavanagh (West Chester/Salesianum H.S.), senior DB Nick Lezynski (Newton/Notre Dame H.S.), senior LB Steve Paskorz (Allison Park/Hampton H.S.), junior LB David Posluszny (Aliquippa/Hopewell H.S.), senior DB James Redshaw (North Huntingdon/Norwin H.S.) and senior DB Darrin Walls (Pittsburgh/Woodland Hills). The 2010 Pittsburgh roster does not include one Indiana native.

► Notre Dame Director of Olympic Sports Strength & Conditioning Tony Rolinski worked in the Pittsburgh strength and conditioning department from 1994-96 while attaining his master's degree in exercise physiology from the school. He then was the head strength coach at North Hills High School in Pittsburgh before serving as the head strength and conditioning coach at Duquesne in 1997-98.

► 14th-year Irish women's lacrosse coach Tracy Coyne is a Pittsburgh native and a 1978 graduate of Cenevin High School (which also produced Notre Dame All-America QB Tom Clements, who led the Irish to the 1973 national title). In addition, Coyne worked in the Pittsburgh athletic department in 1985 as an administrative assistant to the senior woman administrator.

► Notre Dame's all-time football roster includes more than 2,700 players who have appeared in at least one career game, with 19 hailing from Pittsburgh: RG Frank Winter (1898-1901), QB Clarence Diebold (1900), LG Lee Diebold (1910), HB John McSorley (1926-27), T Joe Papa (Kiski Prep, 1938-40), QB Joe Gasperella (Vandergrift HS, 1944-45), LG Ed Fay (Central Catholic HS, 1944-45), E Ray Jonardi (Baldwin HS, 1949-50), HB Dave Flood (Langley HS, 1950-52), T Bill McCarthy (North Catholic HS, 1951), FB Don Schaefer (Central Catholic HS, 1953-55), HB Tom Mittelhauser (South Hills Catholic HS, 1963), PK Joe Azzaro (Central Catholic HS, 1964-67), OG/LB Dan Dickman (North Catholic, HS, 1967), LB John Cloherty (Churchill Area HS, 1969-71), QB Jim Bulger (Central Catholic HS, 1970-71), FB Ray Zellars (Oliver HS, 1991-94), OG Rob Mowl (Woodland Hills HS, 1998) and DB Darrin Walls (Woodland Hills, 2006-07). Of the players listed, Zellars and Walls had the longest stints as starters (Zellars in 1993 and '94; Walls in 2006-07, '09).

► A number of players from Pittsburgh and Notre Dame either attended the same high school or hail from the same hometown.

Notre Dame	High School/Hometown	Pittsburgh
David Posluszny, LB	Aliquippa, Pa.	Jon Baldwin, WR Juantez Hollins, OL Brandon Lindsey, LB
Andrew Nuss, OL	Ashburn, Va.	T.J. Peeler, RB
Sean Oxley, LB	Avon Lake, Ohio Avon Lake H.S.	Dan Schneider, TE
Prince Shembo, ILB	Charlotte, N.C.	Max Gruder, LB
Dan Wenger, OC	Coral Springs, Fla.	Greg Romeus, DL
Hafis Williams, DE	Elizabeth, N.J. Elizabeth H.S.	Ray Graham, RB
Derry Herlihy, RB	Houston, Texas	Kolby Gray, DB
James Redshaw, DB	North Huntingdon, Pa.	Mike Shanahan, WR
Armando Allen Jr., RB	Opa Locka, Fla.	Jason Douglas, RB
Brian Castello, QB	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Justin Hargrove, DL Jason Pinkston, OL Drake Greer, P Myles Caragein, DL Chris Jacobson, OL Aundre Wright, DB Andrew Devlin, TE Ed Tinker, WR Aaron Donald, DL Brandon Ifill, DB Dan Mason, LB Tino Sunseri, QB Drew Carswell, WR
Jordan Cowart, LS	Plantation, Fla.	Buddy Jackson, DB
Dan Fox, OLB	Rocky River, Ohio	Brendan Carozzoni, TE
David Posluszny, LB	Hopewell H.S.	Ryan Turnley, OL
Dan Fox, LB	St. Ignatius H.S. (OH)	Brendan Carozzoni, TE Mark Myers, QB
Mike Grieco, P		Mike Shanahan, WR
James Redshaw, CB	Norwin H.S.	Bernardo Nunez, DL
Duval Kamara, WR	Hoboken H.S.	

Career Stats
vs. Pittsburgh

ARMANDO ALLEN JR.

	att	yds	td	long	avg/cavg/g
2008	19	73	0	15	3.8 73.0
2009	14	77	0	15	5.5 77.0
Total	33	150	0	15	4.5 75.0

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/cavg/g
2008	3	13	0	7	3.0	4.3 13.0
2009	8	33	0	10	8.0	4.1 33.0
Total	11	46	0	10	5.5	4.2 23.0

All Purpose	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
2008		73	13	0	0	86	86.0
2009		77	33	0	0	110	110.0
Total		150	46	0	0	196	98.0

ROBERT BLANTON

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	0	2	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	3	3	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

STEVE FILER

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

DARIUS FLEMING

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	1	1	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2009	0	0	0	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	1	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

MICHAEL FLOYD

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/cavg/g
2008	10	100	2	18	10.0	10.0 100.0
2009	7	107	0	45	7.0	15.3 107.0
Total	17	207	2	45	8.5	12.2 103.5

JOHN GOODMAN

Punt Return	no	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2009	1	-1	0	0	-1.0	-1.0

GARY GRAY

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2009	6	2	8	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

ROBERT HUGHES

	att	yds	td	long	avg/cavg/g
2008	8	25	0	9	3.1 25.0

ETHAN JOHNSON

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	0	1	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2009	1	0	1	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	1	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

DUVAL KAMARA

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/cavg/g
2008	2	21	0	20	2.0	10.5 21.0
2009	2	25	0	14	2.0	12.5 25.0
Total	4	46	0	20	2.0	11.5 23.0

KAPRON LEWIS-MOORE

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2009	0	2	2	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

KERRY NEAL

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	2	2	4	1.0-8	1	0	0	0
2009	1	0	1	0.0-0	1	0	0	0
Total	3	2	5	1.0-8	2	0	0	0

THEO RIDDICK

	att	yds	td	long	avg/cavg/g
2009	2	-4	0	0	-2.0 -4.0

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/cavg/g
2009	1	5	0	5	1.0	5.0 5.0

Kick Return	no	yds	td	long	avg/r	avg/g
2009	2	41	0	28	20.5	41.0

All Purpose	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
2009		-4	5	0	41	42	42.0

KYLE RUDOLPH

	rec	yds	td	long	rec/g	avg/cavg/g
2008	2	26	0	21	2.0	13.0 26.0

DAVID RUFFER

Field Goals	made	att	lg	pct
2009	1	1	42	100.0

Kickoffs	no	yds	avg.
2009	5	326	65.2

BRIAN SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	3	2	5	0.0-0	0	0	0	0
2009	2	5	7	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
Total	5	7	12	0.5-1	0	0	0	0

HARRISON SMITH

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	4	1	5	1.0-4	0	0	0	0
2009	7	2	9	1.0-2	1	0	0	0
Total	11	3	14	2.0-6	1	0	0	0

MANTI TE'O

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2009	1	3	4	0.0-0	0	0	0	0

BRANDON WALKER

FGs	made	att	lg	pct
2007	4	5	48	.800

DARRIN WALLS

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2009	2	0	2	0.0-0	2	0	0	0

IAN WILLIAMS

	ua	a	tt	tfl	pd	ff	fr	blk
2008	5	1	6	2.0-5	0	0	0	0
2009	1	2	3	0.5-1	0	0	0	0
Total	6	3	9	2.5-6	0	0	0	0

Scoring Summary

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Score	
Notre Dame	0	3	0	19	-	22 Record: (6-4)
Pittsburgh	3	7	10	7	-	27 Record: (9-1)

First Quarter

9:40 PITT Hutchins 34 yd field goal, 13-62 5:20

Second Quarter

5:40 ND Ruffer 42 yd field goal, 9-43 4:21

2:31 PITT Baldwin 36 yd pass from Stull (Hutchins kick), 6-80 3:09

Third Quarter

9:15 PITT Hutchins 38 yd field goal, 5-59 2:32

6:36 PITT Graham 2 yd run (Hutchins kick), 2-55 0:47

Fourth Quarter

14:56 ND Clausen 1 yd run (Ruffer kick blocked), 11-80 6:40

12:44 PITT Lewis 50 yd run (Hutchins kick), 5-80 2:12

9:10 ND Tate 18 yd pass from Clausen (Ruffer kick), 11-71 3:34

7:16 ND Tate 87 yd punt return (Clausen pass failed)

	ND	PITT
FIRST DOWNS	20	17
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	25-66	32-193
PASSING YDS (NET)	283	236
Passes Att-Comp-Int	42-27-1	27-15-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	67-349	59-429
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-100	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-85	4-82
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	5-24.8	6-38.7
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-0
Penalties-Yards	5-53	1-5
Possession Time	30:52	29:08
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 14	3 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	2-2	3-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	2-26

RUSHING: Notre Dame-Allen 14-77; Tate 2-2; Riddick 2-minus 4; Clausen 7-minus 9. PITT-Lewis 21-152; Graham 3-57; Hynoski 2-1; Team 2-minus 4; Stull 4-minus 13.

PASSING: Notre Dame-Clausen 27-42-1-283. PITT-Stull 15-27-0-236.

RECEIVING: Notre Dame-Tate 9-113; Allen 8-33; Floyd 7-107; Kamara 2-25; Riddick 1-5. PITT-Baldwin 5-142; Dickerson 4-46; Byham 2-17; McGee 2-11; Turner 1-12; Lewis 1-8.

INTERCEPTIONS: Notre Dame-None. PITT-Holley 1-0.

FUMBLES: Notre Dame-Clausen 1-1. PITT-Stull 3-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Notre Dame-None. PITT-Sheard 1-0; Mustakas 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Notre Dame-Smith, H. 7-2; Gray, G. 6-2; Smith, B. 2-5; McCarthy, K. 3-3; Brown 4-1; Te'o 1-3; Williams, I. 1-2; Walls 2-0; Lewis-Moore 0-2; Johnson 1-0; Herring 1-0; Smith, S. 1-0; Ryan 1-0; Neal 1-0; Blanton 0-1; Filer 0-1. PITT-Gruder 5-6; Gunn 6-4; DeCicco 5-4; Chappel 4-2; Gary 4-0; Sheard 2-2; Holley 2-1; Fields 2-0; Mustakas 2-0; Romeus 2-0; Alexih 1-1; Berry 1-1; Mason 1-0; Caragein 1-0; Nix 1-0; Williams 1-0; Wright 1-0; Williams, G. 1-0; Reed 0-1.

Stadium: Heinz Field

Attendance: 65374

Kickoff time: 8:12

End of Game: 11:23

Total elapsed time: 3:11

Officials: Referee: Tomcyk, Thomas; Umpire: Kumiega, Ronald; Linesman: McGrath, Kevin; Line judge: Galagher, Dan; Back judge: Vargo, Paul; Field judge: Sokolowski, Rob; Side judge: Brennan, James; Scorer: Fetchet, John.

Temperature: 58

Wind: WSW 3

Weather: Mostly Clear

The Last Meeting No. 8 Pittsburgh 27, Notre Dame 22 Nov. 14, 2009

PITTSBURGH (AP) -- In need of a big win, Charlie Weis and Notre Dame couldn't turn around a troublesome trend. Pitt keeps winning and winning like it hasn't done in 27 years, and now the Panthers are one more victory away from a really big bowl.

Jonathan Baldwin made two exceptional catches that allowed No. 8 Pittsburgh to open up an 18-point lead in the fourth quarter. Notre Dame rallied behind two touchdowns by Golden Tate, but the Panthers held on for a 27-22 victory Saturday night.

Notre Dame (6-4) trailed 27-9 with 12:44 remaining after Dion Lewis' 50-yard touchdown run, then had a chance to take the lead on its final possession before Jimmy Clausen fumbled with just over two minutes remaining.

"We got a little scare, but we always have confidence in our defense to make a big stop and they did," Lewis said.

The Irish followed up a 23-21 loss to Navy with their eighth consecutive loss to a top-10 team - the longest streak in school history. Weis is 1-10 against ranked teams since 2006, and has the same record (35-25) as former coach Bob Davie and the same winning percentage (.583) as former coach Tyrone Willingham, both of whom were fired.

Pitt relied on big plays by Baldwin and running backs Lewis and Ray Graham to improve to 9-1 for the first time since 1982, Dan Marino's senior season, and is headed for a Dec. 5 home date against No. 5 Cincinnati that will decide the Big East Conference champion and BCS bowl representative. A Nov. 27 game at rival West Virginia won't factor into the conference race.

A game the Panthers needed to win for prestige and to remain in the top 10 couldn't have gone much better for three quarters-plus.

Tate, one of college football's most dynamic talents, nearly brought the Irish back.

"But when you get down three scores, at the end of the day ..." Weis said.

Tate ended with nine catches for 113 yards in his second 100-yard game against Pitt in as many seasons, though Pitt followed up its 36-33, four-OT win in South Bend last season by outgaining the Irish 429-349.

Called the best player Pitt has faced all season by coach Dave Wannstedt, Tate caught an 18-yard touchdown pass from Clausen to cut it to 27-16 with 9:10 remaining. Tate then ran right up the middle of Pitt's punt coverage unit on an 87-yard touchdown return less than two minutes later.

That score quieted a raucous crowd of 65,374, including thousands of suddenly nervous students who only minutes before loudly sang their adopted good-luck song, Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline."

Until Tate broke loose, Baldwin upstaged Tate and fellow Notre Dame star receiver Michael Floyd. Despite being matched step for step by defender Darrin Walls, Baldwin stretched out all of his 6 feet, 5 inches to catch Bill Stull's perfectly thrown 36-yard touchdown catch late in the second half to make it 10-3. Stull went 15 of 27 for 236 yards and no interceptions.

Baldwin then made an even better grab, a soaring 51-yard catch over Walls - like him, a former Pittsburgh-area high school star - to the Irish 29 that led to Dan Hutchins' second field goal, a 38-yarder, and a 13-3 lead. After the Irish punted, Graham ran through half of the Notre Dame defense on a 53-yard run that led to his 2-yard score one play later.

Baldwin made five catches for 142 yards.

"This was a statement game for him," Wannstedt said.

Baldwin was more motivated by pre-game promotional commercials on ABC that he felt played up Notre Dame and downplayed the Panthers.

"They probably thought we were going to lose," he said. "We just wanted to come out and take care of business."

Lewis, the freshman who ran for 152 yards, took over on the next drive to score from the 50 and make it 27-9, answering's Clausen's 1-yard TD sneak on the first play of the fourth quarter. Clausen has pulled off four comeback wins in the fourth quarter this season and, in another frantic fourth, nearly did it again.

Nearly.

The Irish got the ball at their own 20 with 3:39 remaining and had a chance to pull off an improbable comeback, but a 15-yard chop block penalty prevented the drive from taking off and Clausen (27 of 42 for 283 yards, one interception) fumbled while under pressure on a third-and-16 play - one initially ruled an incompleteness but reversed on replay.

Weis wasn't happy with the reversal, saying it seems "the replay officials are the stars" by repeatedly reversing calls.

Notre Dame finally got going on offense after being held to three points in the first half, a week after being shut out by Navy before halftime. Weis wanted to play conservatively and not let Pitt's multidimensional offense get going, but Pitt's big lead changed those plans.

"We didn't want to get into that (a wide-open game) that early," he said.

Weis isn't accustomed to his teams not scoring points in Heinz Field. He began his Notre Dame career by beating Pitt 42-21 in 2005, only nine months after his Tom Brady-led Patriots offense rolled past the Steelers 41-27 in the AFC championship game.

**The Last Meeting in Notre Dame
Pittsburgh 33, Notre Dame 30 (4ot)
Nov. 8, 2008**

NOTRE DAME, Ind. (AP)-- Coming off a disappointing loss, Pittsburgh didn't flinch when Notre Dame scored a pair of touchdowns 83 second apart to open a 14-point halftime lead.

Pitt scored on its opening drive after halftime and the Panthers' defense held the Irish to 7 yards on 10 plays in the third quarter.

Then the Panthers scored twice in the fourth quarter, tying it each time, before Conor Lee kicked his school-record fifth field goal in the fourth overtime to lead Pitt to a 36-33 victory on Saturday.

"I can't describe the heart our football team has," Pitt coach Dave Wannstedt said. "They never came unglued. As many adverse things that happened in the game, turnovers and so forth, nobody ever folded, nobody ever lost their poise, lost their confidence."

Although Lee, a senior, is one of the nation's top kickers, the final 22-yard kick was the first game-winning field goal of his career.

"It's something I think every kicker wants to have happen," Lee said. "I was like, 'I guess I won the game. Time to celebrate.'"

The Panthers, who haven't been to a bowl since the 2004 season, are now bowl eligible and a victory shy of giving Wannstedt his first winning record in four seasons.

"To sum it up, we get in overtime, you don't score touchdowns, you know sooner or later something bad can happen," Notre Dame coach Charlie Weis said.

Neither team could get into the end zone in OT, and Lee won the kicking contest.

Notre Dame's Walker, who started the season by making just 1-of-7 field goals, made his first four attempts to run his consecutive made field goal streak to seven. But his 38-yard attempt narrowly missed wide left in the fourth overtime, giving Pitt a chance to kick its way to a win.

Weis said he told Walker afterward not to blame himself, telling him: "I could give 50 plays right now that would have made a difference."

LeSean McCoy, who rushed for a season-high 169 yards on 32 carries, set up the game-winner with an 18-yard run as the sophomore reached 1,000 yards for a second straight season. Wannstedt said McCoy's performance was especially important with starting quarterback Bill Stull out with a concussion he sustained against Rutgers.

McCoy had just 5 yards on three carries in the first half and 68 yards at the end of the third quarter.

"The best thing that he did today was that he showed toughness at the end," Wannstedt said.

McCoy, who had his fifth straight 100-yard game, said he was hurrying things early in the game, but finally relaxed. "I kind of let all this hype and Notre Dame just get to me, and I just settled down," he said.

Pitt forced the overtime when they tied the score at 24 with 2:22 left on a 10-yard touchdown pass from Bostick to Jonathan Baldwin on fourth-and-6. The Panthers ran the same play three straight times before Bostick beat Irish cornerback Terrail Lambert for the score.

"The first two, I was trying to be perfect with it. Then I just tried to give him a chance, what do you got to lose? Third time's a charm, fourth down, what do you got to lose? I threw it up there and he went up and made a play," Bostick said.

Bostick started the game slow, completing 3-of-6 passes for 24 yards with one interception in the first half. He finished the game 14-of-27 for 164 yards with one touchdown and three interceptions, two by Raeshon McNeil.

Jimmy Clausen threw three touchdown passes, including a 6-yard score to Golden Tate with 5:38 left to put the Irish and two touchdowns to Michael Floyd just before halftime. He was 23-of-44 passing for 271 yards with no interceptions.

Floyd, who broke the record for catches by a Notre Dame freshman, had 10 catches for 100 yards and Tate had six for 111.

**Scoring
Summary**

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	OT	[	5	6	7	8	]	Score
Pittsburgh	3	0	7	14	12	[	3	3	3	3	]	- 36 Record: (6-2)
Notre Dame	3	14	0	7	9	[	3	3	3	0	]	- 33 Record: (5-3)

First Quarter

9:38 ND Walker, B. 39 yd field goal, 10-62 5:22
5:58 PITT Lee 35 yd field goal, 4-2 1:27

Second Quarter

1:27 ND Floyd 18 yd pass from Clausen (Walker, B. kick), 9-91 4:39
0:04 ND Floyd 4 yd pass from Clausen (Walker, B. kick), 5-13 0:26

Third Quarter

10:55 PITT Stephens 4 yd run (Lee kick), 8-71 4:05

Fourth Quarter

11:03 PITT McCoy 1 yd run (Lee kick), 15-70 8:28
5:38 ND Tate 6 yd pass from Clausen (Walker, B. kick), 12-75 5:25
2:22 PITT Baldwin 10 yd pass from Bostick (Lee kick), 8-70 3:16

Overtime

15:00 PITT Lee 22 yd field goal, 6-20 0:00
15:00 ND Walker, B. 22 yd field goal, 6-21 0:00
15:00 ND Walker, B. 26 yd field goal, 7-17 0:00
15:00 PITT Lee 32 yd field goal, 4-9 0:00
15:00 PITT Lee 26 yd field goal, 6-16 0:00
15:00 ND Walker, B. 48 yd field goal, 4--4 0:00
15:00 PITT Lee 22 yd field goal, 4-20 0:00

	PITT	ND
FIRST DOWNS	17	20
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	47-178	39-115
PASSING YDS (NET)	168	271
Passes Att-Comp-Int	30-15-3	44-23-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	77-346	83-386
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	3-33	1--1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	4-74	5-91
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	3-47
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-36.8	5-30.4
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	8-53	6-60
Possession Time	31:16	28:44
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 17	7 of 19
Fourth-Down Conversions	3 of 3	0 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	8-8	5-6
Sacks By: Number-Yards	1-6	2-11

RUSHING: Pittsburgh-McCoy 32-169; Stephens 8-23; Collins 1-4; Kinder 1-1; Smith 1-minus 3; Wright 1-minus 4; Bostick 3-minus 12. Notre Dame-Allen 19-73; Hughes 8-25; Aldridge 8-25; Team 1-minus 2; Clausen 3-minus 6.

PASSING: Pittsburgh-Bostick 14-27-3-164; Smith 1-3-0-4. Notre Dame-Clausen 23-44-0-271.

RECEIVING: Pittsburgh-Turner 2-42; Baldwin 2-31; McCoy 2-23; Kinder 2-10; Pelusi 2-7; Porter 1-37; Stephens 1-14; McGee 1-4; Dickerson 1-2; Byham 1-minus 2. Notre Dame-Floyd 10-100; Tate 6-111; Allen 3-13; Rudolph 2-26; Kamara 2-21.

INTERCEPTIONS: Pittsburgh-None. Notre Dame-McNeil 2-47; Bruton 1-0.

FUMBLES: Pittsburgh-None. Notre Dame-McNeil 1-0.

SACKS (UA-A): Pittsburgh-Romeus 1-0. Notre Dame-Quinn 1-0; Neal 1-0.

TACKLES (UA-A): Pittsburgh-McKillop 8-7; Ransom 3-7; Berry 7-2; Romeus 5-3; Duncan 2-4; Williams, G. 2-3; DeCicco 3-1; Fields 1-2; Sheard 0-3; Thatcher 2-0; Taglianetti 2-0; Gary 1-1; Williams, M. 0-2; Turner 1-0; Tucker 0-1; Saddler 0-1; Williams, D. 0-1; Toerper 0-1; Caragein 0-1; Sunseri 0-1; Nix 0-1; Malecki 0-1; Reed 0-1. Notre Dame-Bruton 9-7; McCarthy, K. 7-8; Crum 3-6; Williams, I. 5-1; Smith, H. 4-1; Smith, B. 3-2; Neal 2-2; Kuntz 0-4; McNeil 3-0; Lambert 1-2; Smith, S. 1-1; Fleming 1-1; Blanton 0-2; Herring 1-0; Richardson, Mo. 1-0; Quinn, S. 1-0; Gordon 0-1; Johnson 0-1; Anello 0-1.

Stadium: Notre Dame Stadium **Attendance:** 80795
Kickoff time: 2:43 **End of Game:** 6:44 **Total elapsed time:** 4:01
Officials: Referee: Dennis Hennigan; Umpire: Paul King; Linesman: Steve Matarante; Line judge: Kevin Codey; Back judge: Gary DanceWicz; Field judge: Tony Tarantini; Side judge: Howard Curry.
Temperature: 57 **Wind:** NE 5 **Weather:** Cloudy

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 six or more rush TDs: vs. Navy, 1996 (6)
 Had five or more rush TDs: at USC, 2000 (5)
 Had four or more rush TDs: vs. Navy, 2007 (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: vs. Stanford, 2010 (307)
 Had 50 or more pass attempts: at Michigan State, 2010 (55)
 Had 40 or more pass attempts: at Boston College, 2010 (45)
 Had 30-39 pass attempts: at Stanford, 2009 (30)
 Had 35-39 pass completions: vs. Navy, 2009 (37)
 Had 30-34 pass completions: at Michigan State, 2010 (32)
 Had 25-29 pass completions: vs. Stanford, 2010 (26)
 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: at Michigan State, 2010 (4)
 Had three or more passing TDs: at Michigan State, 2010 (4)
 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. Michigan, 2010 (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:
 vs. Michigan, 2010 (Kyle Rudolph - 164)
 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. Washington State, 2009 (Jimmy Clausen - 268, Robert Hughes - 131)
 Had a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in a game:
 vs. Michigan State, 2009 (Golden Tate - 127 receiving; Armando Allen Jr. - 115 rush)

Total Offense

Had 600 or more yards total offense: at Stanford, 2005 (663)
 Had 500-599 yards total offense: vs. Michigan, 2010 (535)
 Had 400-499 yards total offense: at Michigan State, 2010 (461)
 Had 85 or more plays total offense: vs. Navy, 2007 (90)
 Had 75-84 plays total offense: at Michigan State, 2010 (81)

Scoring

Scored 60 or more points: vs. Rutgers, 1996 (62)
 Scored 50-59 points: at Stanford, 2003 (57)
 Scored 40-49 points: vs. Washington State, 2009 (40)
 Scored 30-39 points: at Boston College, 2010 (31)
 Scored a two-point conversion: vs. Stanford, 2010
 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. Stanford, 2010 (37)

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. Nevada, 2009 (35-0)
 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:
 at Stanford, 2009 (Golden Tate - 3, Michael Floyd - 2)

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover: vs. Boston College, 2009
 Committed six or more turnovers: vs. Navy, 1984 (6)
 Committed five turnovers: at Boston College, 2008 (5)
 Lost four or more fumbles: vs. Michigan State, 1999 (4)
 Lost three fumbles: at North Carolina, 2008 (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. Purdue, 2008 (1)
 (Robert Blanton - 47 yards)
 Returned a fumble for a TD: vs. Michigan, 2008 (1)
 (Brian Smith - 35 yards)

Defense

Held opponent 50 or fewer rushing yards: at Boston College, 2010 (5)
 Held opponent to 100 or fewer passing yards: vs. Navy, 2009 (56)
 Held opponent to 201-300 yards total offense: at Boston College, 2010 (270)
 Held opponent to 200 or fewer yards total offense: at Washington, 2008 (124)
 Intercepted five or more passes: vs. Purdue, 1988 (5)
 Intercepted four passes: at UCLA, 2007 (4)
 Intercepted three passes: vs. Boston College, 2009 (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: vs. Navy, 2004 (6)
 Recorded five sacks: at Boston College, 2010 (5)
 Held opponent to 10 or fewer first downs: at Washington, 2008 (8)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD: at Pittsburgh, 2009 (Golden Tate, 87 yards)
 Returned a blocked punt for a TD: vs. Navy, 2008 (Toryan Smith, 14 yards)
 Returned a kickoff for a TD: vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (Armando Allen Jr., 96 yards)
 Returned a blocked FG for a TD: at Air Force, 2006 (Terrail Lambert, 76 yards)

The Last Time

Blocked a punt:vs. Hawai'i (Hawai'i Bowl), 2008 (Sergio Brown)
 Punted 10 or more times: USC, 2007 (10)
 Did not punt:vs. Navy, 2009
 Blocked a field goal:vs. Boston College, 2007
 Had a field goal blocked:at Purdue, 2007
 Blocked a PAT kick:vs. Michigan State, 2009
 Scored on a blocked PAT attempt:vs. Texas, 1995
 Missed a kicking PAT:vs. Michigan State, 2009
 Had a kicking PAT blocked:at Pittsburgh, 2009
 Had a punt blocked:at Boston College, 2008

Miscellaneous

Had 30 or more first downs:vs. Navy, 2009 (32)
 Had 20-29 first downs:at Michigan State, 2010 (28)
 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:vs. Navy, 2008 (35:33)
 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:Darius Walker at Stanford, 2005 (186)
 Rushed for 150-174 yards:Darius Walker vs. Army, 2006 (162)
 Rushed for 125-149 yards:Robert Hughes vs. Washington State, 2009 (131)
 Rushed for 100-124 yards:Armando Allen Jr. vs. Michigan State, 2009 (115)
 Quarterback rushed for 100 or more yards:Carlyle Holiday at Boston College, 2001 (109)
 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:Darius Walker vs. Stanford, 2006 (25)
 Rushed for four or more TDs:Emmett Mosley vs. Navy, 1994 (4)
 Rushed for three TDs:Travis Thomas vs. Navy, 2007 (3)
 Rushed for two TDs:Robert Hughes vs. Michigan, 2008 (2)
 Had a run of 80 yards or more:Terrance Howard at West Virginia, 2000 (80)
 Had a run of 70-79 yards:Arnaz Battle vs. Kansas, 1999 (74)
 Had a run of 60-69 yards:Brady Quinn at USC, 2006 (60)
 Had a run of 50-59 yards:Carlyle Holiday at Air Force, 2002 (53)

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:Dayne Crist vs. Stanford, 2010 (304)
 Attempted 50 or more passes:Dayne Crist at Michigan State, 2010 (55)
 Attempted 40-49 passes:Dayne Crist at Boston College, 2010 (44)
 Attempted 30-39 passes:Jimmy Clausen at Stanford, 2009 (30)
 Completed 30 or more passes:Dayne Crist at Michigan State, 2010 (32)
 Completed 20-29 passes:Dayne Crist at Boston College, 2010 (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:Dayne Crist at Michigan State, 2010 (4)
 Threw three or more TDs:Jimmy Clausen at Stanford, 2009 (3)
 Threw five or more interceptions:Before 1975
 Threw four interceptions:Jimmy Clausen at Boston College, 2008 (4)
 Threw three interceptions:Brady Quinn vs. Michigan, 2006 (3)
 Completed a pass of 90 yards or more:Dayne Crist vs. Michigan, 2010 (95)
 Completed a pass of 80-89 yards:Jimmy Clausen vs. Nevada, 2009 (88)

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:Dayne Crist vs. Michigan, 2010 (53)

Receiving

Caught 15 or more passes:Never
 Caught 10-14 passes:Theo Riddick at Michigan State, 2010 (10)
 Caught seven to nine passes:Theo Riddick (9) at Boston College, 2010
 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:Kyle Rudolph vs. Michigan, 2010 (164)
 Had 100-149 yards receiving:Michael Floyd vs. Stanford, 2010 (110)
 Caught four or more TDs:Maurice Stovall vs. BYU, 2005 (4)
 Caught three TDs:Golden Tate at Stanford, 2009 (3)
 Caught two TDs:Michael Floyd at Michigan State, 2010 (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:Dayne Crist at Michigan State, 2010 (4 passing)
 Accounted for three touchdowns:Dayne Crist at Boston College, 2010 (2 passing, 1 rushing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes:Shane Walton vs. Maryland, 2002 (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 (10), Carlo Calabrese (10) at Boston College, 2010

Special Teams

Scored 15 or more points kicking:Nick Tausch vs. Washington, 2009 (17)
 Scored 10-14 points kicking:David Ruffer vs. Purdue, 2010 (11)
 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:Nicholas Setta vs. Maryland, 2002 (51)
 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:Raghib Ismail at Michigan, 1989 (192)
 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:Navy, 2009 (348)
 Had 200-299 yards:Michigan State, 2010 (203)
 Had 50 or more rushing attempts:Navy, 2009 (57)
 Had five or more rush TDs:USC, 2005 (5)
 Had four rush TDs:Stanford, 2009 (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)

The Last Time

Had 300-399 yards:	USC, 2009 (380)
Had 60 or more pass attempts:	Tennessee, 1990 (60)
Had 50-59 pass attempts:	Purdue, 2008 (55)
Had 40-49 pass attempts:	Boston College, 2010 (47)
Had 30 or more pass completions:	Purdue, 2010 (31)
Had five or more passing TDs:	USC, 2004 (5)
Had four passing TDs:	USC, 2007 (4)
Had three passing TDs:	Purdue, 2009 (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:	Michigan, 2010 (532)
Had 400-499 yards total offense:	Stanford, 2010 (404)
Had 80 or more plays:	Michigan, 2010 (81)
Had 75-79 plays:	Stanford, 2010 (76)

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:	Stanford, 2010 (37)
Scored a two-point conversion:	Stanford, 2010

Turnovers

Did not commit a turnover:	Michigan, 2010
Had three or more fumbles lost:	Michigan, 2008 (4)
Intercepted five or more passes:	USC, 1967 (7)
Intercepted four passes:	Purdue, 2003 (4)
Intercepted three passes:	Michigan, 2006 (3)
Returned an interception for a TD:	Boston College, 2008
.....	(Paul Anderson - 76 yards)
Returned a fumble for a TD:	Air Force, 2007
.....	(John Rabold - 19 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:	Stanford, 2010 (44)
Held ND to 101-200 passing yards:	Navy, 2008 (110)
Held ND to 100 or fewer passing yards:	UCLA, 2007 (94)
Held ND to 201-300 yards total offense:	Boston College, 2008 (292)
Held ND to 200 or fewer yards total offense:	USC, 2007 (165)

Special Teams

Returned a punt for a TD:	Penn State, 2007 (Derrick Williams - 78 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:	LSU, 2007 Sugar Bowl (31)
Had 20-29 first downs:	Michigan State, 2010 (26)
Had 10 or more penalties:	Boston College, 2010 (12)
Had 100 or more yards in penalties:	Boston College, 2010 (120)
Had 35 minutes or more of possession time:	Stanford, 2010 (36:25)
Had one 100-yard receiver and one 100-yard rusher:	Michigan State, 2010
.....	(Le'Veon Bell, 114 rushing, B.J. Cunningham, 101 receiving)

AN OPPOSING PLAYER

Rushing

Rushed for 300 or more yards:	Tony Dorsett, Pittsburgh, 1975 (303)
Rushed for 200-299 yards:	Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2010 (258)
Rushed for 150-199 yards:	Dion Lewis, Pittsburgh, 2009 (154)
Rushed for 100-149 yards:	Stepfan Taylor, Stanford, 2010 (108)
Rushed 40 or more times:	Craig Heyward, Pittsburgh, 1987 (42)
Rushed 30-39 times:	Ricky Dobbs, Navy, 2009 (31)
Rushed 25-29 times:	Stepfan Taylor, Stanford, 2010 (28)
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:	Toby Gerhart, Stanford, 2009 (3)
Rushed for two or more TDs:	Denard Robinson, 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 (66)
Had a run of 50-59 yards:	Edwin Baker, Michigan State, 2010 (56)

Passing

Passed for 500 or more yards:	Never
Passed for 400-499 yards:	Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (400)
Passed for 300-399 yards:	Matt Barkley, USC, 2009 (380)
Attempted 60 or more passes:	Andy Kelly, Tennessee, 1990 (60)
Attempted 50-59 passes:	Curtis Painter, Purdue, 2008 (55)
Attempted 40-49 passes:	Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2010 (40)
Completed 30 or more passes:	Robert Marve, Purdue, 2010 (31)
Completed 20-29 passes:	Kirk Cousins, Michigan State, 2010 (23)
Threw five or more TDs:	Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (5)
Threw four TDs:	Mark Sanchez, USC, 2007 (4)
Threw three TDs:	Joey Elliott, Purdue, 2009 (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:	Joe Dailey, North Carolina, 2006 (72)
Completed a pass of 60-69 yards:	Matt Barkley, USC, 2009 (60)
Completed a pass of 50-59 yards:	Chase Rettig, Boston College (58)

Receiving

Caught 10 or more passes:	Keith Smith, Purdue, 2010 (12)
Caught seven to nine passes:	Bobby Swigert, Boston College, 2010 (7)
Had 200 or more yards receiving:	Selwyn Lymon, Purdue, 2006 (238)
Had 150-199 yards receiving:	Rich Gunnell, Boston College, 2009 (179)
Had 100-149 yards receiving:	Bobby Swigert, Boston College, 2010 (137)
Caught three or more TD passes:	Dwayne Jarrett, USC, 2006 (3)
Caught two TD passes:	Jeff Solomon, Washington State, 2009 (2)

Scoring

Accounted for five or more touchdowns:	Matt Leinart, USC, 2004 (5 passing)
Accounted for four touchdowns:	Matt Trannon, Michigan State, 2005 (3 receiving, 1 rushing)
Accounted for three touchdowns:	Denard Robinson, Michigan, 2010 (2 rushing, 1 passing)

Defense

Intercepted three or more passes:	Rod Johnson, N.C. State, 2003 (3)
Intercepted two passes:	Ketric Buffin, Navy, 2008 (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:	Darryl Stonum, Michigan, 2010 (101)