

STRENGTHS - The Huskies became the tenth team in the history of the Pac-10, and the first since Oregon State in 1958 to follow a losing season with a Pac-10 regular season title. The defending Pac-10 champions return three starters - senior forward **Quincy Pondexter** (12.1 ppg/5.9 rpg), sophomore forward **Darnell Gant** (3.1 ppg/3.3 rpg) and sophomore guard **Isaiah Thomas** (15.5 ppg/3.0 rpg/2.6 apg)... Pondexter, a member of the USA World University Games Team, has tallied 1,101 points and 492 rebounds during his career... Thomas, the Pac-10 Freshman of the Year, led the Huskies in scoring and will combine with junior guard **Venoy Overton** (5.8 ppg/2.1 rpg/1.9 apg/1.3 spg), sophomore **Elston Turner** (3.6 ppg/2.1 rpg) and highly-touted freshman **Abdul Gaddy** to form one of the league's quickest and most talented backcourts... Junior forwards **Matthew-Bryan Amaning** (6.0 ppg/4.0 rpg) and **Justin Holiday** (2.1 ppg/2.5 rpg) will give the Huskies depth and experience in the frontcourt. Bryan-Amaning led the Huskies in block shots, averaging 1.0 per game... Washington led the league in scoring offense (78.6 ppg) and aren't expected to slow down in the 2009-10 season... Huskies were 18-1 at home last season and will open the 2009-10 season with 11 of their first 13 games played in Seattle.

CONCERNS - While the Huskies are loaded with talent, it will be difficult to replace the leadership and numbers posted by All-Pac-10 performers Jon Brockman (14.9 ppg/11.5 rpg) and Justin Dentmon (14.4 ppg/2.5 apg/1.5 spg)... The Huskies will need to strengthen their three-point shooting as they were ninth in the league shooting 33.7 percent from beyond the arc. Take away the 63 three-pointers and 41.2 percent shooting by Dentmon and the returning players combined to shoot just 83-of-279 for 29.7 percent from long range.

2008-09 WASHINGTON RESULTS (26-9, 14-4)

Sat., Nov. 15	at Portland	L	74-80	Brockman-30
Tues., Nov. 18	Cleveland State (1)	W	78-63	Brockman-23
Thurs., Nov. 20	Florida International (1)	W	74-51	Dentmon-21
Mon., Nov. 24	vs. No. 22 Kansas (2)	L	54-73	Thomas-17
Tues., Nov. 25	vs. No. 17 Florida (2)	L	84-86	Brockman-22
Sat., Nov. 29	Pacific	W	72-54	Pondexter-16
Thurs., Dec. 4	Oklahoma State (3)	W	83-65	Thomas-18
Sat., Dec. 6	Texas Southern	W	88-52	B-Amaning-18
Sun., Dec. 14	Portland State	W	84-83	B-Amaning-23
Sat., Dec. 20	Eastern Washington	W	83-50	Brockman-17
Tues., Dec. 23	Lehigh			CANCELED
Sun., Dec. 28	Montana	W	75-53	Two players-13
Tues., Dec. 30	Morgan State	W	81-67	Thomas-27
Sat., Jan. 3	at Washington State	W	68-48	Thomas-19
Thurs., Jan. 8	Stanford	W	84-83	Brockman-19
Sat., Jan. 10	California	L (3OT)	85-88	Dentmon-24
Thurs., Jan. 15	at Oregon	W	84-67	Thomas-23
Sat., Jan. 17	at Oregon State	W	85-59	Brockman-16
Thurs., Jan. 22	USC	W	78-73	Dentmon-22
Sat., Jan. 24	No. 13 UCLA	W	86-75	Thomas-24
Thurs., Jan. 29	at Arizona	L	97-106	Brockman-27
Sat., Jan. 31	at No. 14 Arizona State	W	84-71	Dentmon-30
Thurs., Feb. 5	at California	L	71-86	Pondexter-21
Sun., Feb. 8	at Stanford	W	75-68	Pondexter-20
Thurs., Feb. 12	Oregon State	W	79-60	Dentmon-28
Sat., Feb. 14	Oregon	W	103-84	Thomas-24
Thurs., Feb. 19	at No. 20 UCLA	L	76-85	Dentmon-22
Sat., Feb. 21	at USC	W	60-51	Pondexter-22
Thurs., Feb. 26	No. 14 Arizona State	W (OT)	73-70	Brockman-21
Sat., Feb. 28	Arizona	W	83-78	Two players-19
Tues., Mar. 3	Seattle University	W	87-60	Brockman-16
Sat., Mar. 7	Washington State	W	67-60	Pondexter-16
Thurs., Mar. 12	vs. Stanford (4)	W	85-73	Brockman-20
Fri., Mar. 13	vs. No. 23 Ariz. State (4)	L	65-75	Thomas-17
Thurs., Mar. 19	vs. Mississippi State (5)	W	71-58	Pondexter-23
Sat., Mar. 21	vs. No. 17 Purdue (5)	L	74-76	Thomas-24

- (1) O'Reilly Auto Parts CBE Classic, Seattle, Wash.
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 (3) Big 12/Pac-10 Hardwood Series
 (4) Pac-10 Tournament, Los Angeles, Calif. (Staples Center)
 (5) NCAA Tournament First & Second Round, Portland, Ore.

2008-09 WASHINGTON STATISTICS (Overall: 26-9, Pac-10: 14-4/1st)

Player	GP-GS	Min/Avg	TOTAL		3-PTS		REBOUNDS										PF-FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
			FG-A	Pct	3FG-A	Pct	FT-A	Pct	Off/Def	Tot	Avg												
Thomas, Isaiah	35-34	993/28.4	180-431	.418	39-134	.291	142-207	.686	24/82	106	3.0	66-1	91	92	2	38	541	15.5					
Brockman, Jon	34-34	1036/30.5	190-361	.526	0-1	.000	126-197	.640	144/247	391	11.5	102-2	39	65	3	31	506	14.9					
Dentmon, Justin	35-35	992/28.3	160-353	.453	63-153	.412	122-148	.824	30/66	96	2.7	65-0	86	66	5	53	505	14.4					
Pondexter, Quincy	35-35	983/28.1	165-323	.511	3-14	.214	89-120	.742	97/110	207	5.9	98-1	55	66	13	25	422	12.1					
Bryan-Amaning, Matt	32-1	533/16.7	73-162	.451	0-0	.000	46-77	.597	49/80	129	4.0	75-3	21	41	32	20	192	6.0					
Overton, Venoy	35-1	717/20.5	62-146	.425	9-36	.250	69-90	.767	15/59	74	2.1	93-4	68	72	6	47	202	5.8					
Turner, Elston	30-0	403/13.4	37-97	.381	25-68	.368	9-12	.750	13/49	62	2.1	21-0	34	21	3	15	108	3.6					
Gant, Darnell	35-34	639/18.3	45-123	.366	0-0	.000	19-27	.704	41/76	117	3.3	76-0	15	33	14	11	109	3.1					
Wolfinger, Joe	16-0	94/5.9	14-34	.412	3-14	.214	8-14	.571	7/7	14	0.9	12-0	4	7	5	1	39	2.4					
Holiday, Justin	35-0	545/15.6	30-68	.441	1-4	.250	13-21	.619	30/59	89	2.5	55-0	43	38	9	15	74	2.1					
Wallace, Artem	18-1	81/4.5	11-18	.611	0-0	.000	6-14	.429	12/11	23	1.3	10-0	0	6	2	1	28	1.6					
Suggs, Scott	18-0	85/4.7	10-20	.500	3-9	.333	1-2	.500	3/4	7	0.4	10-0	2	6	1	2	24	1.3					
TEAM									67/55	122	3.5	0		2			0						
WASHINGTON	35		977-2136	.457	146-433	.337	650-929	.700	532/905	1437	41.1	683-11	458	515	95	259	2750	78.6					
Opponents	35		881-2107	.418	198-599	.331	471-694	.679	414/736	1150	32.9	750	423	523	109	238	2431	69.5					