

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
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College Football Playoff National Championship

FINAL GAME BOOK



#2 Clemson Tigers — 44



#1 Alabama Crimson Tide — 16

Offensive Player of the Game -- Trevor Lawrence, quarterback, Clemson

Defensive Player of the Game -- Trayvon Mullen, cornerback, Clemson

Clemson University (15-0) vs. University of Alabama (14-1)
January 7, 2019
Levi's Stadium • Santa Clara, California
Attendance: 74,814 • Start Time: 5:17 p.m. PST • Duration: 3:27

Scoring Summary (Final)
2019 CFP National Championship
#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

#2 Clemson (15-0) vs. #1 Alabama (14-1)
Date: 01/07/19 • Site: Santa Clara, Calif. • Stadium: Levi's Stadium
Attendance: 74814

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
#2 Clemson	14	17	13	0	**44**
#1 Alabama	13	3	0	0	**16**

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	13:20	CU - Terrell 44 yd interception return (Huegel kick)	7 - 0
	12:05	UA - Jeudy,Jerry 62 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick), 3-75 1:15	7 - 7
	10:35	CU - Etienne 17 yd run (Huegel kick), 4-75 1:30	14 - 7
	06:23	UA - Hentges,Hale 1 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick failed), 10-75 4:12	14 - 13
2nd	14:18	UA - Bulovas,Joseph 25 yd field goal, 11-45 6:07	14 - 16
	11:38	CU - Etienne 1 yd run (Huegel kick), 6-65 2:40	21 - 16
	04:38	CU - Etienne 5 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick), 8-47 3:27	28 - 16
	00:45	CU - Huegel 36 yd field goal, 8-61 1:19	31 - 16
3rd	08:26	CU - Ross 74 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick failed), 3-76 1:21	37 - 16
	00:21	CU - Higgins 5 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick), 12-89 5:21	44 - 16

Kickoff time: 5:17 pm • End of Game: 8:44 pm • Total elapsed time: 3:27
Officials: Referee: Mike Cannon; Umpire: Ed Feaster; Linesman: Tripp Sutter;
Line judge: Ron Tipton; Back judge: Mike Elliott; Field judge: Frank Steratore;
Side judge: John Hayes; Center judge: Brent Durbin;
Temperature: 61 deg • Wind: 5-10 SE • Weather: Cloudy

Team Statistics (Final)
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	CU	UA
FIRST DOWNS	21	23
Rushing	7	12
Passing	12	11
Penalty	2	0
NET YARDS RUSHING	135	148
Rushing Attempts	31	37
Average Per Rush	4.4	4.0
Rushing Touchdowns	2	0
Yards Gained Rushing	147	176
Yards Lost Rushing	12	28
NET YARDS PASSING	347	295
Completions-Attempts-Int	20-32-0	22-36-2
Average Per Attempt	10.8	8.2
Average Per Completion	17.4	13.4
Passing Touchdowns	3	2
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	482	443
Total offense plays	63	73
Average Gain Per Play	7.7	6.1
Fumbles: Number-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties: Number-Yards	1-12	6-60
PUNTS-YARDS	3-133	2-100
Average Yards Per Punt	44.3	50.0
Net Yards Per Punt	42.0	50.0
Inside 20	0	1
50+ Yards	1	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair catch	1	1
KICKOFFS-YARDS	8-505	4-178
Average Yards Per Kickoff	63.1	44.5
Net Yards Per Kickoff	37.5	44.5
Touchbacks	7	0
Fair Catch Yards	0	62
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-7-0
Average Per Return	0.0	7.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-30-0
Average Per Return	0.0	30.0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	2-90-1	0-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	0-0-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	28:23	31:37
1st Quarter	3:08	11:52
2nd Quarter	7:26	7:34
3rd Quarter	6:42	8:18
4th Quarter	11:07	3:53
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 15	4 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	3 of 6
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	2-4
Touchdowns	4-6	1-4
Field goals	1-6	1-4
Sacks By: Number-Yards	2-15	0-0
PAT Kicks	5-6	1-2
Field Goals	1-1	1-1
Points off turnovers	14	0

Individual Statistics (Final)
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#2 Clemson

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Etienne	14	92	6	86	2	38	6.1
Lawrence,T.	6	29	2	27	0	12	4.5
Choice	7	15	3	12	0	7	1.7
Feaster	3	11	0	11	0	4	3.7
Brice	1	0	1	-1	0	0	-1.0
Totals	31	147	12	135	2	38	4.4

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Lawrence,T.	20-32-0	347	3	74	0
Totals	20-32-0	347	3	74	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Ross	6	153	1	74
Higgins	3	81	1	62
Rodgers	2	30	0	26
Feaster	2	29	0	26
Thompson	2	27	0	19
Renfrow,H.	2	10	0	5
Overton	1	12	0	12
Etienne	1	5	1	5
Chase	1	0	0	0
Totals	20	347	3	74

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Spiers	3	133	44.3	51	0	0
Totals	3	133	44.3	51	0	0

	Punt			Kickoff			Intercept		
Returns	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg
Mullen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	46	46
Terrell	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	44	44
Totals	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	90	46

Field goals	Qtr	Time	Dist	Result
Huegel	2nd	00:45	36 yards	Good

Kickoffs	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB
Potter	8	505	63.1	7	0

All-purpose	Run	Rcv	KR	PR	IR	Total
Ross	0	153	0	0	0	153
Etienne	86	5	0	0	0	91
Higgins	0	81	0	0	0	81
Mullen	0	0	0	0	46	46

#1 Alabama

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Harris,Najee	9	62	3	59	0	13	6.6
Harris,Damien	11	58	1	57	0	15	5.2
Jacobs,Josh	11	47	0	47	0	11	4.3
Jones,Mac	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0
Hurts,Jalen	1	0	4	-4	0	0	-4.0
Tagovailoa,Tua	4	9	18	-9	0	6	-2.2
Totals	37	176	28	148	0	15	4.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Tagovailoa,Tua	22-34-2	295	2	62	1
Hurts,Jalen	0-2-0	0	0	0	1
Totals	22-36-2	295	2	62	2

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Smith,DeVonta	6	65	0	23
Jeudy,Jerry	5	139	1	62
Smith Jr, Irv	4	43	0	21
Waddle,Jaylen	2	25	0	19
Harris,Damien	2	3	0	7
Jacobs,Josh	1	16	0	16
Ruggs III,Henry	1	3	0	3
Hentges,Hale	1	1	1	1
Totals	22	295	2	62

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Bernier,Mike	2	100	50.0	55	1	0
Totals	2	100	50.0	55	1	0

	Punt			Kickoff			Intercept		
Returns	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg
Waddle,Jaylen	1	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jacobs,Josh	0	0	0	1	30	30	0	0	0
Totals	1	7	7	1	30	30	0	0	0

Field goals	Qtr	Time	Dist	Result
Bulovas,Joseph	2nd	14:18	25 yards	Good

Kickoffs	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB
Bulovas,Joseph	4	178	44.5	0	1

All-purpose	Run	Rcv	KR	PR	IR	Total
Jeudy,Jerry	0	139	0	0	0	139
Jacobs,Josh	47	16	30	0	0	93
Smith,DeVonta	0	65	0	0	0	65
Harris,Damien	57	3	0	0	0	60

FUMBLES: #2 Clemson-None. #1 Alabama-Smith,DeVonta 1-0; Tagovailoa,Tua 1-0.

Defensive Statistics (Final)
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#	#2 Clemson	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks-Yds	TFL-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	Blks	QBH
11	Simmons	7	2	9	-	1.0-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	Terrell	6	2	8	-	-	1	-	1-44	-	-	-
1	Mullen	6	0	6	1.0-11	1.0-11	1	-	1-46	-	-	-
57	Lamar	1	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	Wallace	5	0	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
67	Huggins	3	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
24	Turner,N.	2	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
99	Ferrell	2	2	4	-	1.5-7	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	Wilkins	1	3	4	0.5-2	1.0-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
3X	Thomas	2	1	3	0.5-2	0.5-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
19	Muse	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
7	Bryant,A.	1	2	3	-	1.0-4	-	-	-	-	-	-
34	Joseph	1	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
47	Skalski	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	Pinckney	2	0	2	-	1.0-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Davis,Jd.	0	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	Smith,Ch.	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2F	Fields	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
	Totals	44	26	70	2.0-15	7.0-32	2	0-0	2-90	3	0	0

#	#1 Alabama	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks-Yds	TFL-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	Blks	QBH
15	McKinney,Xavier	6	1	7	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
49	Buggs,Isaiah	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30	Wilson,Mack	3	3	6	-	0.5-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
92	Williams,Q.	3	1	4	-	1.5-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Jennings,A.	3	1	4	-	3.5-5	-	-	-	1	-	-
32	Moses,Dylan	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	Thompson,D.	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4A	Smith,Saivion	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
28	Jobe,Josh	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
99	Davis,Raekwon	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
89	Ray,LaBryan	1	1	2	-	0.5-2	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Carter,Shyheim	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Mayden,Jared	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2A	Surtain,Patrick	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
16	Mosley,Jamey	0	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Totals	33	14	47	0.0-0	6.0-12	0	0-0	0-0	4	0	0

Participation Report (Final)
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#2 Clemson

Pos	##	OFFENSE
LT	75	Hyatt
LG	74	Simpson
C	50	Falcinelli
RG	5C	Cervenka
RT	73	Anchrum
TE	4W	Williams,G.
WR	5	Higgins
QB	16	Lawrence,T.
RB	9	Etienne
WR	13	Renfrow,H.
WR	3	Rodgers

Pos	##	DEFENSE
DE	99	Ferrell
DT	67	Huggins
DT	42	Wilkins
DE	7	Bryant,A.
SLB	11	Simmons
MLB	57	Lamar
WLB	34	Joseph
CB	8	Terrell
SS	12	Wallace
FS	19	Muse
CB	1	Mullen

#1 Alabama

Pos	##	OFFENSE
LT	73	Williams,Jonah
LG	66	Cotton Sr, L.
C	71	Pierschbacher
RG	70	Leatherwood,A.
RT	74	Wills Jr, J.
TE	82	Smith Jr, Irv
QB	13	Tagovailoa,Tua
RB	34	Harris,Damien
WR	11	Ruggs III,Henry
WR	6	Smith,DeVonta
WR	4	Jeudy,Jerry

Pos	##	DEFENSE
DE	49	Buggs,Isaiah
NG	92	Williams,Q.
DE	99	Davis,Raekwon
SLB	33	Jennings,A.
MLB	30	Wilson,Mack
WLB	32	Moses,Dylan
CB	4A	Smith,Saivion
CB	2A	Surtain,Patrick
S	15	McKinney,Xavier
FS	14	Thompson,D.
STAR	5	Carter,Shyheim

#2 Clemson: 1S-Spector, 1T-Thompson, 1J-Johnson, 2S-Swinney,W., 2F-Fields, 3X-Thomas, 5S-Smith,S., 7B-Brice, 8R-Ross, 10-Kendrick, 14-Overton, 18-Chase, 21-Mcmichael, 22-Kelly, 24-Turner,N., 26-Choice, 28-Feaster, 29-Potter, 30-Williams,Ja., 31-Goodrich, 32-Cote,K., 33-Davis,Jd., 35-Foster, 36-Davis,Ju., 43-Smith,Ch., 44-Pinckney, 47-Skalski, 48-Spiers, 52-Spence,Au., 58-Phibbs, 59-Williams,Jo., 62-Stewart, 65-Bockhorst, 70-Penner, 72-Vinson, 76-Pollard, 78-Reeves, 79-Carman, 80-Richard, 84-Smith,Ca., 92-Huegel.

#1 Alabama: 1B-Townsend,C., 1D-Shavers,Tyrell, 1A-Jones,Mac, 2-Hurts,Jalen, 8-Jacobs,Josh, 9-Anoma,Eyabi, 10-Kaho,Ale, 16-Mosley,Jamey, 17-Waddle,Jaylen, 21-Mayden,Jared, 22-Harris,Najee, 24-Robinson Jr, B., 25-Smith,Eddie, 28-Jobe,Josh, 31-Anderson,Keaton, 35-Lewis,D.J., 36-Benton,Markail, 42-Moody,Jaylen, 45-Fletcher,Thomas, 48-Mathis,P., 77-Womack,Matt, 79-Owens,Chris, 81-Kief,Derek, 84-Hentges,Hale, 87-Forristall,M., 89-Ray,LaBryan, 97-Bulovas,Joseph, 98-Bernier,Mike.

Drive Chart (By Team) (Final)
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		Drive Started			Drive Ended			Consumed	
Team	**Qtr**	**Spot**	**Time**	**Obtained**	**Spot**	**Time**	**How lost**	**Pl - Yds**	**TOP**
CU	1st	V25	15:00	Kickoff	V28	14:20	Punt	3 - 3	0:40
CU		H00	13:20	Interception	H00	13:20	*TOUCHDOWN	0 - 0	0:00
CU		V25	12:05	Kickoff	H00	10:35	*TOUCHDOWN	4 - 75	1:30 .
CU		V25	06:23	Kickoff	V21	05:25	Punt	3 - (4)	0:58
CU	2nd	V35	14:18	Kickoff	H00	11:38	*TOUCHDOWN	6 - 65	2:40 .
CU		H47	08:05	Interception	H00	04:38	*TOUCHDOWN	8 - 47	3:27 .
CU		V21	02:04	Punt	H18	00:45	*FIELD GOAL	8 - 61	1:19 .
CU	3rd	V24	09:47	Downs	H00	08:26	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 76	1:21
CU		V11	05:42	Downs	H00	00:21	*TOUCHDOWN	12 - 89	5:21 .
CU	4th	V09	12:17	Downs	V08	11:12	Punt	3 - (1)	1:05
CU		V01	10:02	Punt	H05	00:00	End of half	14 - 94	10:0 .

#2 Clemson	**1st Qtr**	**2nd Qtr**	**3rd Qtr**	**4th Qtr**	**1st Half**	**2nd Half**	**Total**
Time of possession	03:08	07:26	06:42	11:07	10:34	17:49	28:23
3rd down conversions	1-3	3-4	4-4	2-4	4-7	6-8	10-15
Average field position	V25	V36	V17	V05	V30	V11	V22
4th down conversions	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	1-1	1-1

		Drive Started			Drive Ended			Consumed	
Team	**Qtr**	**Spot**	**Time**	**Obtained**	**Spot**	**Time**	**How lost**	**Pl - Yds**	**TOP**
UA	1st	H21	14:20	Punt	H41	13:20	Interception	3 - 20	1:00
UA		H25	13:20	Kickoff	V00	12:05	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 75	1:15
UA		H25	10:35	Kickoff	V00	06:23	*TOUCHDOWN	10 - 75	4:12 .
UA		H48	05:25	Punt	V07	14:18	*FIELD GOAL	11 - 45	6:07 .
UA	2nd	H25	11:38	Kickoff	V44	08:05	Interception	7 - 31	3:33
UA		H25	04:38	Kickoff	H34	02:04	Punt	5 - 9	2:34
UA		H25	00:45	Kickoff	H31	00:00	End of half	2 - 6	0:45
UA	3rd	H25	15:00	Kickoff	V24	09:47	Downs	13 - 51	5:13
UA		H30	08:19	Kickoff	V11	05:42	Downs	8 - 59	2:37 .
UA		H25	00:21	Kickoff	V09	12:17	Downs	9 - 66	3:04 .
UA	4th	H48	11:12	Punt	H44	10:02	Punt	3 - (4)	1:10

#1 Alabama	**1st Qtr**	**2nd Qtr**	**3rd Qtr**	**4th Qtr**	**1st Half**	**2nd Half**	**Total**
Time of possession	11:52	07:34	08:18	03:53	19:26	12:11	31:37
3rd down conversions	2-3	0-3	2-5	0-2	2-6	2-7	4-13
Average field position	H29	H25	H26	H48	H27	H32	H29
4th down conversions	1-1	1-1	1-3	0-1	2-2	1-4	3-6

Drive Chart (By Quarter) (Final)
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		Drive Started			Drive Ended			Consumed	
Team	**Qtr**	**Spot**	**Time**	**Obtained**	**Spot**	**Time**	**How lost**	**Pl - Yds**	**TOP**
CU	1st	V25	15:00	Kickoff	V28	14:20	Punt	3 - 3	0:40
UA		H21	14:20	Punt	H41	13:20	Interception	3 - 20	1:00
CU		H00	13:20	Interception	H00	13:20	*TOUCHDOWN	0 - 0	0:00
UA		H25	13:20	Kickoff	V00	12:05	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 75	1:15
CU		V25	12:05	Kickoff	H00	10:35	*TOUCHDOWN	4 - 75	1:30 .
UA		H25	10:35	Kickoff	V00	06:23	*TOUCHDOWN	10 - 75	4:12 .
CU		V25	06:23	Kickoff	V21	05:25	Punt	3 - (4)	0:58
UA		H48	05:25	Punt	V07	14:18	*FIELD GOAL	11 - 45	6:07 .
CU	2nd	V35	14:18	Kickoff	H00	11:38	*TOUCHDOWN	6 - 65	2:40 .
UA		H25	11:38	Kickoff	V44	08:05	Interception	7 - 31	3:33
CU		H47	08:05	Interception	H00	04:38	*TOUCHDOWN	8 - 47	3:27 .
UA		H25	04:38	Kickoff	H34	02:04	Punt	5 - 9	2:34
CU		V21	02:04	Punt	H18	00:45	*FIELD GOAL	8 - 61	1:19 .
UA		H25	00:45	Kickoff	H31	00:00	End of half	2 - 6	0:45
UA	3rd	H25	15:00	Kickoff	V24	09:47	Downs	13 - 51	5:13
CU		V24	09:47	Downs	H00	08:26	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 76	1:21
UA		H30	08:19	Kickoff	V11	05:42	Downs	8 - 59	2:37 .
CU		V11	05:42	Downs	H00	00:21	*TOUCHDOWN	12 - 89	5:21 .
UA		H25	00:21	Kickoff	V09	12:17	Downs	9 - 66	3:04 .
CU	4th	V09	12:17	Downs	V08	11:12	Punt	3 - (1)	1:05
UA		H48	11:12	Punt	H44	10:02	Punt	3 - (4)	1:10
CU		V01	10:02	Punt	H05	00:00	End of half	14 - 94	10:0 .

Play-by-Play Summary (1st quarter)

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UA wins toss, defers; CU elects to rec; UA to kick, defend N goal

1-10	CU	35	UA ball on UA35.	
			Bulovas,Joseph kickoff 63 yards to the CU2, fair catch by Kendrick.	
1-10	CU	25	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Etienne (Jennings,A.).	
2-10	CU	25	Etienne rush for 3 yards to the CU28 (McKinney,Xavier;Wilson,Mack).	
3-7	CU	28	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Renfrow,H..	
4-7	CU	28	Spiers punt 51 yards to the UA21, fair catch by Waddle,Jaylen.	
			3 plays, 3 yards, 0:40	

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 14:20.

1-10	UA	21	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith Jr, Irv for 8 yards to the UA29, out-of-bounds (Mullen).	
2-2	UA	29	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 12 yards to the UA41, 1ST DOWN UA, out-of-bounds (Mullen).	P1
1-10	UA	41	Tagovailoa,Tua pass intercepted by Terrell at the UA44, Terrell return 44 yards to the UA0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 13:20.	
			3 plays, 20 yards, 1:00	
1-G	UA	03	Huegel kick attempt good.	

#2 Clemson 7, #1 Alabama 0

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 13:20.

1-10	UA	25	Harris,Damien rush for 3 yards to the UA28 (Joseph;Lamar).	
2-7	UA	28	Harris,Damien rush for 10 yards to the UA38, 1ST DOWN UA (Joseph).	R2
1-10	UA	38	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jeudy,Jerry for 62 yards to the CU0, 1ST DOWN UA, TOUCHDOWN, clock 12:05.	P3
1-G	CU	03	Bulovas,Joseph kick attempt good.	

#1 Alabama 7, #2 Clemson 7

3 plays, 75 yards, 1:15

Bulovas,Joseph kickoff 62 yards to the CU3, fair catch by Kendrick.

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 12:05.

1-10	CU	25	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Ross.	
2-10	CU	25	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 6 yards to the CU31, out-of-bounds (Surtain,Patrick), PENALTY CU personal foul (Simpson) 12 yards to the CU13, NO PLAY.	
2-22	CU	13	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Thompson for 8 yards to the CU21 (McKinney,Xavier).	
3-14	CU	21	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Higgins for 62 yards to the UA17, 1ST DOWN CU (Smith,Saivion).	P1
1-10	UA	17	Etienne rush for 17 yards to the UA0, 1ST DOWN CU, TOUCHDOWN, clock 10:35.	R2
1-G	UA	03	Huegel kick attempt good.	

#2 Clemson 14, #1 Alabama 7

4 plays, 75 yards, 1:30

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 10:35.

1-10	UA	25	Jacobs,Josh rush for 7 yards to the UA32 (Skalski).	
2-3	UA	32	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith Jr, Irv for no gain to the UA32 (Wallace).	
3-3	UA	32	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 15 yards to the UA47, 1ST DOWN UA (Terrell;Turner,N.).	P4
1-10	UA	47	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 11 yards to the CU42, 1ST DOWN UA (Wallace).	P5
1-10	CU	42	Timeout #2 Clemson, clock 08:28.	
1-10	CU	42	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith Jr, Irv for 21 yards to the CU21, 1ST DOWN UA (Wallace).	P6
1-10	CU	21	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Jacobs,Josh.	
2-10	CU	21	Harris,Najee rush for 9 yards to the CU12.	
3-1	CU	12	Harris,Najee rush for 3 yards to the CU9, 1ST DOWN UA (Simmons;Lamar).	R7
1-G	CU	09	Harris,Najee rush for 8 yards to the CU1 (Mullen).	
Previous play, ruled TD on field, reviewed; runner ruled down at V01				
2-G	CU	01	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Hentges,Hale for 1 yard to the CU0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 06:23.	
1-G	CU	03	Bulovas,Joseph kick attempt failed.	

#2 Clemson 14, #1 Alabama 13

10 plays, 75 yards, 4:12

Bulovas,Joseph kickoff 57 yards to the CU8, fair catch by Kendrick.

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 06:23.

1-10	CU	25	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Renfrow,H. (McKinney,Xavier).	
2-10	CU	25	Etienne rush for loss of 4 yards to the CU21 (Ray,LaBryan;Wilson,Mack).	
3-14	CU	21	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Renfrow,H..	
4-14	CU	21	Spiers punt 38 yards to the UA41, Waddle,Jaylen return 7 yards to the UA48, out-of-bounds.	
			3 plays, minus 4 yards, 0:58	

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 05:25.

1-10	UA	48	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jeudy,Jerry for 12 yards to the CU40, 1ST DOWN UA,	P8

Play-by-Play Summary (1st quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

		out-of-bounds (Mullen).	
1-10	CU 40	Harris,Najee rush for 13 yards to the CU27, 1ST DOWN UA (Simmons).	R9
1-10	CU 27	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jeudy,Jerry for 12 yards to the CU15, 1ST DOWN UA (Simmons).	P10
1-10	CU 15	Harris,Damien rush for 6 yards to the CU9 (Terrell).	
2-4	CU 09	Harris,Damien rush for 1 yard to the CU8 (Huggins;Bryant,A.).	
3-3	CU 08	Harris,Damien rush for 2 yards to the CU6 (Huggins).	
4-1	CU 06	[DS], Jacobs,Josh rush for 4 yards to the CU2, 1ST DOWN UA (Lamar;Huggins).	R11
1-G	CU 02	Harris,Damien rush for 1 yard to the CU1 (Ferrell).	
2-G	CU 01	PENALTY UA false start (Wills Jr, J.) 5 yards to the CU6.	
2-G	CU 06	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Ruggs III,Henry for 3 yards to the CU3 (Simmons).	

END OF 1st QUARTER: #2 Clemson 14, #1 Alabama 13

		Time	1st Downs				Conversions				
Quarter Summary	**Score**	**Poss**	**R**	**P**	**X**	**T**	**3rd**	**4th**	**Rushing**	**Passing**	**Penalties**
#2 Clemson	14	03:08	1	1	0	2	1-3	0-0	3-16	2-7-0-70	1-12
#1 Alabama	13	11:52	4	7	0	11	2-2	0-0	12-67	11-13-1-157	1-5

Quickie Statistics (1st quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

	CU	UA
Score	14	13
FIRST DOWNS	2	11
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	3-16	12-67
PASSING YDS (NET)	70	157
Passes Att-Comp-Int	7-2-0	13-11-1
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	10-86	25-224
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	1-44	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-44.5	0-0.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-Yards	1-12	1-5
Possession Time	03:08	11:52
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 3	2 of 3
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1

#2 Clemson

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Etienne	3	20	4	16	1	17	5.3

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Lawrence,T.	2-7-0	70	0	62	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Higgins	1	62	0	62
Thompson	1	8	0	8

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Spiers	2	89	44.5	51	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Mullen	4-0	4	0.0	0.0
Simmons	3-1	4	0.0	0.0
Wallace	3-0	3	0.0	0.0
Huggins	1-2	3	0.0	0.0

#1 Alabama

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Harris,Najee	4	33	0	33	0	13	8.2
Harris,Damien	6	23	0	23	0	10	3.8
Jacobs,Josh	2	11	0	11	0	7	5.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Tagovailoa,Tua	11-13-1	157	2	62	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jeudy,Jerry	3	86	1	62
Smith,DeVonta	3	38	0	15
Smith Jr, Irv	3	29	0	21
Ruggs III,Henry	1	3	0	3

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Waddle,Jaylen	1	7	0	7

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
McKinney,Xavier	1-1	2	0.0	0.0
Wilson,Mack	0-2	2	0.0	0.5
Smith,Saivion	1-0	1	0.0	0.0
Ray,LaBryan	0-1	1	0.0	0.5

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	13:20	CU - Terrell 44 yd interception return (Huegel kick)	7 - 0
	12:05	UA - Jeudy,Jerry 62 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick), 3-75 1:15	7 - 7
	10:35	CU - Etienne 17 yd run (Huegel kick), 4-75 1:30	14 - 7
	06:23	UA - Hentges,Hale 1 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick failed), 10-75 4:12	14 - 13

Play-by-Play Summary (2nd quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

3-G	CU 03	Start of 2nd quarter, clock 15:00.		
3-G	CU 03	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Harris,Damien for loss of 4 yards to the CU7 (Bryant,A.).		
4-G	CU 07	Bulovas,Joseph field goal attempt from 25 GOOD, clock 14:18.		

#1 Alabama 16, #2 Clemson 14

11 plays, 45 yards, 6:07

Bulovas,Joseph kickoff 58 yards to the CU7, out-of-bounds, CU ball on CU35.

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 14:18.

1-10	CU 35	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Higgins, PENALTY UA pass interference (Smith,Saivion) 15 yards to the 50 yardline, 1ST DOWN CU, NO PLAY.	X3
1-10	CU 50	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Feaster for 26 yards to the UA24, 1ST DOWN CU (Ray,LaBryan).	P4
1-10	UA 24	Lawrence,T. rush for 1 yard to the UA23 (Moses,Dylan;Wilson,Mack).	
2-9	UA 23	Feaster rush for 4 yards to the UA19 (Davis,Raekwon;Buggs,Isaiah).	
3-5	UA 19	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Higgins for 14 yards to the UA5, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds (McKinney,Xavier).	P5
1-G	UA 05	Etienne rush for 4 yards to the UA1 (Wilson,Mack).	
2-G	UA 01	Etienne rush for 1 yard to the UA0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 11:38.	
1-G	UA 03	Huegel kick attempt good.	

#2 Clemson 21, #1 Alabama 16

6 plays, 65 yards, 2:40

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 11:38.

1-10	UA 25	Jacobs,Josh rush for 7 yards to the UA32 (Huggins).	
2-3	UA 32	Jacobs,Josh rush for 2 yards to the UA34 (Turner,N.).	
3-1	UA 34	Jacobs,Josh rush for no gain to the UA34 (Thomas).	
4-1	UA 34	[DS], Jacobs,Josh rush for 3 yards to the UA37, 1ST DOWN UA (Davis,Jd.;Turner,N.).	R12
1-10	UA 37	Jacobs,Josh rush for 8 yards to the UA45 (Turner,N.).	
2-2	UA 45	Jacobs,Josh rush for 11 yards to the CU44, 1ST DOWN UA (Wallace).	R13
1-10	CU 44	Tagovailoa,Tua pass intercepted by Mullen at the CU7, Mullen return 46 yards to the UA47, out-of-bounds.	

7 plays, 31 yards, 3:33

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 08:05.

1-10	UA 47	Etienne rush for 3 yards to the UA44 (Williams,Q.).	
2-7	UA 44	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Renfrow,H. for 5 yards to the UA39.	
3-2	UA 39	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Renfrow,H. for 5 yards to the UA34, 1ST DOWN CU (Surtain,Patrick).	P6
1-10	UA 34	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Ross (Surtain,Patrick).	
2-10	UA 34	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Feaster for 3 yards to the UA31 (Buggs,Isaiah).	
3-7	UA 31	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Rodgers for 26 yards to the UA5, 1ST DOWN CU (Smith,Saivion).	P7
1-G	UA 05	Etienne rush for no gain to the UA5 (Thompson,D.).	
2-G	UA 05	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Etienne for 5 yards to the UA0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 04:38.	
1-G	UA 03	Huegel kick attempt good.	

#2 Clemson 28, #1 Alabama 16

8 plays, 47 yards, 3:27

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 04:38.

1-10	UA 25	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jeudy,Jerry for 5 yards to the UA30 (Terrell).	
2-5	UA 30	Harris,Najee rush for 11 yards to the UA41, 1ST DOWN UA (Lamar;Simmons).	R14
1-10	UA 41	Harris,Najee rush for loss of 3 yards to the UA38 (Simmons).	
2-13	UA 38	Harris,Najee rush for 7 yards to the UA45 (Huggins).	
3-6	UA 45	Tagovailoa,Tua sacked for loss of 11 yards to the UA34 (Mullen), fumble by Tagovailoa,Tua recovered by UA Pierschbacher at UA34.	
4-17	UA 34	Timeout #2 Clemson, clock 02:10.	
4-17	UA 34	Bernier,Mike punt 45 yards to the CU21, fair catch by Rodgers.	

5 plays, 9 yards, 2:34

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 02:04.

1-10	CU 21	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Thompson for 19 yards to the CU40, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds.	P8
1-10	CU 40	Clock 01:57, Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Rodgers.	
2-10	CU 40	Timeout #2 Clemson, clock 01:53.	
2-10	CU 40	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 12 yards to the UA48, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds, PENALTY UA personal foul (McKinney,Xavier) 15 yards to the UA33, 1ST DOWN CU.	X10
1-10	UA 33	1st and 10.	
1-10	UA 33	Clock 01:48, Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Renfrow,H., PENALTY UA offside defense (Jennings,A.) 5 yards to the UA28, NO PLAY.	
1-5	UA 28	Clock 01:44, Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 12 yards to the UA16, 1ST DOWN CU (McKinney,Xavier).	P11
1-10	UA 16	Clock 01:25, Choice rush for loss of 2 yards to the UA18 (Williams,Q.).	
2-12	UA 18	Clock 00:57, Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Higgins.	
3-12	UA 18	Clock 00:53, Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Choice.	

Play-by-Play Summary (2nd quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

4-12 UA 18 Huegel field goal attempt from 36 GOOD, clock 00:45.

#2 Clemson 31, #1 Alabama 16

8 plays, 61 yards, 1:19

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 00:45.

1-10 UA 25 Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Harris,Damien.

2-10 UA 25 Clock 00:41, Tagovailoa,Tua rush for 6 yards to the UA31 (Muse).
End of half, clock 00:00.

2 plays, 6 yards, 0:45

END OF 2nd QUARTER: #2 Clemson 31, #1 Alabama 16

		Time	1st Downs				Conversions				
Quarter Summary	**Score**	**Poss**	**R**	**P**	**X**	**T**	**3rd**	**4th**	**Rushing**	**Passing**	**Penalties**
#2 Clemson	17	07:26	0	7	2	9	3-4	0-0	7-11	10-14-0-127	0-0
#1 Alabama	3	07:34	3	0	0	3	0-3	1-1	11-41	2-4-1-1	3-35

Quickie Statistics (Halftime)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

	CU	UA
Score	31	16
FIRST DOWNS	11	14
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	10-27	23-108
PASSING YDS (NET)	197	158
Passes Att-Comp-Int	21-12-0	17-13-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	31-224	40-266
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	2-90	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-44.5	1-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	1-12	4-40
Possession Time	10:34	19:26
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 7	2 of 6
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	2 of 2

#2 Clemson

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Etienne	7	28	4	24	2	17	3.4
Feaster	1	4	0	4	0	4	4.0
Lawrence,T.	1	1	0	1	0	1	1.0
Choice	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Lawrence,T.	12-21-0	197	1	62	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Higgins	2	76	0	62
Feaster	2	29	0	26
Thompson	2	27	0	19
Ross	2	24	0	12

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Spiers	2	89	44.5	51	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Simmons	4-2	6	0.0	1.0
Mullen	5-0	5	1.0	1.0
Huggins	3-2	5	0.0	0.0
Wallace	4-0	4	0.0	0.0

#1 Alabama

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Harris,Najee	7	51	3	48	0	13	6.9
Jacobs,Josh	8	42	0	42	0	11	5.2
Harris,Damien	6	23	0	23	0	10	3.8
Tagovailoa,Tua	2	6	11	-5	0	6	-2.5

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Tagovailoa,Tua	13-17-2	158	2	62	1

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jeudy,Jerry	4	91	1	62
Smith,DeVonta	3	38	0	15
Smith Jr, Irv	3	29	0	21
Ruggs III,Henry	1	3	0	3

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Bernier,Mike	1	45	45.0	45	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Waddle,Jaylen	1	7	0	7

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
McKinney,Xavier	3-1	4	0.0	0.0
Wilson,Mack	1-3	4	0.0	0.5
Smith,Saivion	2-0	2	0.0	0.0
Williams,Q.	2-0	2	0.0	1.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	13:20	CU - Terrell 44 yd interception return (Huegel kick)	7 - 0
	12:05	UA - Jeudy,Jerry 62 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick), 3-75 1:15	7 - 7
	10:35	CU - Etienne 17 yd run (Huegel kick), 4-75 1:30	14 - 7
	06:23	UA - Hentges,Hale 1 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick failed), 10-75 4:12	14 - 13
2nd	14:18	UA - Bulovas,Joseph 25 yd field goal, 11-45 6:07	14 - 16
	11:38	CU - Etienne 1 yd run (Huegel kick), 6-65 2:40	21 - 16
	04:38	CU - Etienne 5 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick), 8-47 3:27	28 - 16
	00:45	CU - Huegel 36 yd field goal, 8-61 1:19	31 - 16

Play-by-Play Summary (3rd quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

Start of 3rd quarter, clock 15:00, CU ball on CU35.
Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 15:00.

1-10	UA 25	Harris,Damien rush for 15 yards to the UA40, 1ST DOWN UA (Simmons).	R15
1-10	UA 40	Harris,Damien rush for 11 yards to the CU49, 1ST DOWN UA, out-of-bounds (Terrell).	R16
1-10	CU 49	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 12 yards to the CU37, out-of-bounds (Terrell), PENALTY UA ineligible downfield on pass (Williams,Jonah) 5 yards to the UA46, NO PLAY.	
1-15	UA 46	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith Jr, Irv for 14 yards to the CU40 (Pinckney).	
2-1	CU 40	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Smith,DeVonta.	
3-1	CU 40	[DS], Jacobs,Josh rush for no gain to the CU40 (Davis,Jd.;Ferrell).	
4-1	CU 40	[DS], Jacobs,Josh rush for 2 yards to the CU38, 1ST DOWN UA (Skalski).	R17
1-10	CU 38	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Smith,DeVonta.	
2-10	CU 38	Harris,Damien rush for 9 yards to the CU29 (Simmons).	
3-1	CU 29	[DS], Jacobs,Josh rush for 3 yards to the CU26, 1ST DOWN UA (Bryant,A.;Terrell).	R18
1-10	CU 26	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 4 yards to the CU22 (Mullen).	
2-6	CU 22	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 3 yards to the CU19, fumble forced by Terrell, fumble by Smith,DeVonta recovered by UA Smith,DeVonta at CU22.	

Previous play, ruled catch and fumble, reviewed; confirmed

3-6	CU 22	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Smith Jr, Irv (Fields).	
4-6	CU 22	[FG], Jones,Mac rush for loss of 2 yards to the CU24 (Pinckney).	

13 plays, 51 yards, 5:13

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 09:47.

1-10	CU 24	Lawrence,T. rush for loss of 2 yards to the CU22 (Jennings,A.).	
2-12	CU 22	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Rodgers for 4 yards to the CU26 (Wilson,Mack).	
3-8	CU 26	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 74 yards to the UA0, 1ST DOWN CU, TOUCHDOWN, clock 08:26.	P12
1-G	UA 03	Huegel kick attempt failed.	

#2 Clemson 37, #1 Alabama 16

3 plays, 76 yards, 1:28

Potter kickoff 65 yards to the UA0, Jacobs,Josh return 30 yards to the UA30 (Smith,Ch.).

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 08:19.

1-10	UA 30	Harris,Najee rush for 11 yards to the UA41, 1ST DOWN UA (Muse).	R19
1-10	UA 41	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Smith,DeVonta for 23 yards to the CU36, 1ST DOWN UA (Terrell).	P20
1-10	CU 36	Harris,Najee rush for no gain to the CU36 (Wilkins).	
2-10	CU 36	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jacobs,Josh for 16 yards to the CU20, 1ST DOWN UA, out-of-bounds (Lamar).	P21
1-10	CU 20	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Waddle,Jaylen for 6 yards to the CU14 (Wallace).	
2-4	CU 14	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Ruggs III,Henry.	
3-4	CU 14	Timeout #2 Clemson, clock 05:54.	
3-4	CU 14	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Jeudy,Jerry.	
4-4	CU 14	Tagovailoa,Tua rush for 3 yards to the CU11 (Lamar;Muse).	

8 plays, 59 yards, 2:37

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 05:42.

1-10	CU 11	Etienne rush for 4 yards to the CU15 (Davis,Raekwon).	
2-6	CU 15	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Overton for 12 yards to the CU27, 1ST DOWN CU.	P13
1-10	CU 27	Etienne rush for loss of 2 yards to the CU25 (Jennings,A.;Williams,Q.).	
2-12	CU 25	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Ross.	
3-12	CU 25	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 37 yards to the UA38, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds (Mayden,Jared).	P14
1-10	UA 38	Choice rush for no gain to the UA38 (Buggs,Isaiah).	
2-10	UA 38	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 1 yard to the UA37 (Moses,Dylan).	
3-9	UA 37	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Ross for 17 yards to the UA20, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds (Jobe,Josh).	P15

Previous play, ruled completion, reviewed; confirmed

1-10	UA 20	Etienne rush for 11 yards to the UA9, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds.	R16
1-G	UA 09	Feaster rush for 3 yards to the UA6 (Thompson,D.).	
2-G	UA 06	Lawrence,T. rush for 1 yard to the UA5 (Williams,Q.).	
3-G	UA 05	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Higgins for 5 yards to the UA0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 00:21.	
1-G	UA 03	Huegel kick attempt good.	

#2 Clemson 44, #1 Alabama 16

1-G	CU 35	PENALTY UA personal foul (Jobe,Josh) 15 yards to the 50 yardline.	

12 plays, 89 yards, 5:21

Potter kickoff 50 yards to the UA0, touchback.

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 00:21.

1-10	UA 25	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Smith,DeVonta.	
2-10	UA 25	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Ruggs III,Henry (Muse).	
3-10	UA 25	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Jeudy,Jerry for 48 yards to the CU27, 1ST DOWN UA	P22

Play-by-Play Summary (3rd quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

(Terrell).

END OF 3rd QUARTER: #2 Clemson 44, #1 Alabama 16

		Time	1st Downs				Conversions				
Quarter Summary	**Score**	**Poss**	**R**	**P**	**X**	**T**	**3rd**	**4th**	**Rushing**	**Passing**	**Penalties**
#2 Clemson	13	06:49	1	4	0	5	4-4	0-0	7-15	7-8-0-150	0-0
#1 Alabama	0	08:11	5	3	0	8	1-4	1-3	10-52	7-14-0-111	2-20

Quickie Statistics (3rd quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

	CU	UA
Score	44	16
FIRST DOWNS	16	22
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	17-42	33-160
PASSING YDS (NET)	347	269
Passes Att-Comp-Int	29-19-0	31-20-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	46-389	64-429
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	1-30
Interception Returns-Yards	2-90	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-44.5	1-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	1-12	6-60
Possession Time	17:23	27:37
Third-Down Conversions	8 of 11	4 of 11
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	3 of 5

#2 Clemson

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Etienne	10	43	6	37	2	17	3.7
Feaster	2	7	0	7	0	4	3.5
Lawrence,T.	3	2	2	0	0	1	0.0
Choice	2	0	2	-2	0	0	-1.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Lawrence,T.	19-29-0	347	3	74	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Ross	6	153	1	74
Higgins	3	81	1	62
Rodgers	2	30	0	26
Feaster	2	29	0	26

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Spiers	2	89	44.5	51	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Simmons	6-2	8	0.0	1.0
Terrell	6-2	8	0.0	0.0
Mullen	6-0	6	1.0	1.0
Lamar	1-5	6	0.0	0.0

#1 Alabama

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Harris,Najee	9	62	3	59	0	13	6.6
Harris,Damien	9	58	0	58	0	15	6.4
Jacobs,Josh	11	47	0	47	0	11	4.3
Tagovailoa,Tua	3	9	11	-2	0	6	-0.7

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Tagovailoa,Tua	20-31-2	269	2	62	1

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Smith,DeVonta	6	65	0	23
Jeudy,Jerry	5	139	1	62
Smith Jr, Irv	4	43	0	21
Jacobs,Josh	1	16	0	16

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Bernier,Mike	1	45	45.0	45	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Waddle,Jaylen	1	7	0	7

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jacobs,Josh	1	30	0	30

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Wilson,Mack	2-3	5	0.0	0.5
Williams,Q.	3-1	4	0.0	1.5
McKinney,Xavier	3-1	4	0.0	0.0
Buggs,Isaiah	2-1	3	0.0	0.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	13:20	CU - Terrell 44 yd interception return (Huegel kick)	7 - 0
	12:05	UA - Jeudy,Jerry 62 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick), 3-75 1:15	7 - 7
	10:35	CU - Etienne 17 yd run (Huegel kick), 4-75 1:30	14 - 7
	06:23	UA - Hentges,Hale 1 yd pass from Tagovailoa,Tua (Bulovas,Joseph kick failed), 10-75 4:12	14 - 13
2nd	14:18	UA - Bulovas,Joseph 25 yd field goal, 11-45 6:07	14 - 16
	11:38	CU - Etienne 1 yd run (Huegel kick), 6-65 2:40	21 - 16
	04:38	CU - Etienne 5 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick), 8-47 3:27	28 - 16
	00:45	CU - Huegel 36 yd field goal, 8-61 1:19	31 - 16
3rd	08:26	CU - Ross 74 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick failed), 3-76 1:28	37 - 16
	00:21	CU - Higgins 5 yd pass from Lawrence,T. (Huegel kick), 12-89 5:21	44 - 16

Play-by-Play Summary (4th quarter)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

1-10	CU 27	Start of 4th quarter, clock 15:00.	
1-10	CU 27	Tagovailoa,Tua pass incomplete to Smith,DeVonta (Fields).	
2-10	CU 27	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Waddle,Jaylen for 19 yards to the CU8, 1ST DOWN UA, out-of-bounds (Simmons).	P23
1-G	CU 08	Tagovailoa,Tua pass complete to Harris,Damien for 7 yards to the CU1, out-of-bounds (Thomas).	
2-G	CU 01	Harris,Damien rush for no gain to the CU1 (Wilkins;Joseph).	
3-G	CU 01	Harris,Damien rush for loss of 1 yard to the CU2 (Wilkins;Ferrell).	
4-G	CU 02	Tagovailoa,Tua rush for loss of 7 yards to the CU9 (Ferrell).	

9 plays, 66 yards, 3:04

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 12:17.

1-10	CU 09	Choice rush for loss of 1 yard to the CU8 (Jennings,A.).	
2-11	CU 08	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Kendrick.	
3-11	CU 08	Lawrence,T. pass incomplete to Ross (Jobe,Josh).	
4-11	CU 08	Spiers punt 44 yards to the UA48, downed.	

3 plays, minus 1 yard, 1:05

#1 ALABAMA drive start at 11:12.

1-10	UA 48	Hurts,Jalen at QB for #1 Alabama.	
1-10	UA 48	Hurts,Jalen pass incomplete to Jacobs,Josh.	
2-10	UA 48	Hurts,Jalen sacked for loss of 4 yards to the UA44 (Wilkins;Thomas).	
3-14	UA 44	Hurts,Jalen pass incomplete to Ruggs III,Henry.	
4-14	UA 44	Bernier,Mike punt 55 yards to the CU1, downed.	

3 plays, minus 4 yards, 1:10

#2 CLEMSON drive start at 10:02.

1-10	CU 01	Etienne rush for 2 yards to the CU3 (McKinney,Xavier).	
2-8	CU 03	Lawrence,T. rush for 7 yards to the CU10 (McKinney,Xavier).	
3-1	CU 10	Etienne rush for 7 yards to the CU17, 1ST DOWN CU (McKinney,Xavier).	R17
1-10	CU 17	Etienne rush for 2 yards to the CU19 (Buggs,Isaiah;Mosley,Jamey).	
2-8	CU 19	Etienne rush for 38 yards to the UA43, 1ST DOWN CU, out-of-bounds.	R18
1-10	UA 43	Feaster rush for 4 yards to the UA39 (Buggs,Isaiah).	
2-6	UA 39	Lawrence,T. pass complete to Chase for no gain to the UA39 (Jobe,Josh).	
3-6	UA 39	Lawrence,T. rush for 8 yards to the UA31, 1ST DOWN CU (Carter,Shyheim;Thompson,D.).	R19
1-10	UA 31	Choice rush for 2 yards to the UA29 (Wilson,Mack).	
2-8	UA 29	Lawrence,T. rush for 12 yards to the UA17, 1ST DOWN CU (Moses,Dylan).	R20
1-10	UA 17	Timeout #2 Clemson, clock 02:45.	
1-10	UA 17	Brice at QB for #2 Clemson.	
1-10	UA 17	Choice rush for 4 yards to the UA13 (Moses,Dylan).	
2-6	UA 13	Choice rush for 2 yards to the UA11 (Carter,Shyheim).	
3-4	UA 11	Brice rush for loss of 1 yard to the UA12 (Jennings,A.).	
4-5	UA 12	Choice rush for 7 yards to the UA5, 1ST DOWN CU (Buggs,Isaiah).	R21
		End of game, clock 00:00.	

14 plays, 94 yards, 10:02

FINAL SCORE: #2 Clemson 44, #1 Alabama 16

		Time	1st Downs				Conversions				
Quarter Summary	**Score**	**Poss**	**R**	**P**	**X**	**T**	**3rd**	**4th**	**Rushing**	**Passing**	**Penalties**
#2 Clemson	0	11:07	5	0	0	5	2-4	1-1	14-93	1-3-0-0	0-0
#1 Alabama	0	03:53	0	1	0	1	0-2	0-1	4-(-12)	2-5-0-26	0-0

Quickie Statistics (Final)

#2 Clemson vs #1 Alabama (01/07/19 at Santa Clara, Calif.)

	CU	UA
Score	44	16
FIRST DOWNS	21	23
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	31-135	37-148
PASSING YDS (NET)	347	295
Passes Att-Comp-Int	32-20-0	36-22-2
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	63-482	73-443
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-7
Kickoff Returns-Yards	0-0	1-30
Interception Returns-Yards	2-90	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	3-44.3	2-50.0
Fumbles-Lost	0-0	2-0
Penalties-Yards	1-12	6-60
Possession Time	28:23	31:37
Third-Down Conversions	10 of 15	4 of 13
Fourth-Down Conversions	1 of 1	3 of 6
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	5-6	2-4

#2 Clemson

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Etienne	14	92	6	86	2	38	6.1
Lawrence,T.	6	29	2	27	0	12	4.5
Choice	7	15	3	12	0	7	1.7
Feaster	3	11	0	11	0	4	3.7

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Lawrence,T.	20-32-0	347	3	74	0

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Ross	6	153	1	74
Higgins	3	81	1	62
Rodgers	2	30	0	26
Feaster	2	29	0	26

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Spiers	3	133	44.3	51	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Simmons	7-2	9	0.0	1.0
Terrell	6-2	8	0.0	0.0
Mullen	6-0	6	1.0	1.0
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Harris,Damien	11	58	1	57	0	15	5.2
Jacobs,Josh	11	47	0	47	0	11	4.3
Jones,Mac	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Tagovailoa,Tua	22-34-2	295	2	62	1
Hurts,Jalen	0-2-0	0	0	0	1

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Smith,DeVonta	6	65	0	23
Jeudy,Jerry	5	139	1	62
Smith Jr, Irv	4	43	0	21
Waddle,Jaylen	2	25	0	19

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Bernier,Mike	2	100	50.0	55	1	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Waddle,Jaylen	1	7	0	7

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jacobs,Josh	1	30	0	30

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
McKinney,Xavier	6-1	7	0.0	0.0
Buggs,Isaiah	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Wilson,Mack	3-3	6	0.0	0.5
Williams,Q.	3-1	4	0.0	1.5

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MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

	CLEMSON	ALABAMA
FINAL SCORE	44	16
Time Spent in the Lead *(Tied 3:10)*	54:10	2:40
Total Plays-Yards	63-482	73-443
Plays of 20+ Yards	6-263	4-154
Plays of 10+ Yards	15-389	19-348
All Others	42-93	50-95
Plus Territory: Plays-Yards	34-174	38-139
First Half	18-98	16-80
Second Half	16-76	22-59
Drives With Plays in Plus Territory	6 of 9	6 of 10
*First Down Plays/Yards	26-107	33-272
Average on First Down	4.1	8.2
First Half	5.7 (14-80)	9.1 (20-181)
Second Half	2.3 (12-27)	7.0 (13-91)
Rushes/Average	18/2.8	13/6.2
Passes/Average *(includes sacks)*	8/7.1	20/9.3
Times Gained: 20+/10+/5+	1/5/5	3/14/20
Times Gained: 2-/0/Neg	15/7/4	11/9/1
Second Down Efficiency	6-21	7-21
First Half	3-10	5-12
Second Half	3-11	2-9
Yards Gained	114	113
Third Down Efficiency	10-15	4-13
Rushing	2-3	2-6
*Passing	8-12	2-7
Average Yards To Go (All)	7.7	4.5
Average To Go (Conversions)	6.9	3.8
Yards Gained	254	55
3rd & 5 or less	4-6	3-7
3rd & 6 or more	6-9	1-6
Fourth Down Efficiency (Yards)	1-1 (7)	3-6 (3)
Total Possessions/Average FP	10/C23	11/A29
First Half	6/C31	7/A28
Second Half	4/C11	4/A32
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20	3 (3/0)	0 (0/0)
Drives Started In Plus Territory	1 (7 pts)	(0 pts)
Three Plays & Out	3	1
Opponent Turnovers (Pts)	2 (14)	0 (0)
Red Zone (pts)	5-6 (31)	2-4 (9)
Plays-Yards	18-71	15-34
Third Down Efficiency	2-4	1-5
Fourth Down Efficiency	1-1	1-2
Yards by Quarter: 1st	86	224
2nd	138	42
3rd	165	163
4th	93	14

CFP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYERS OF THE GAME

Offensive: #16 Trevor Lawrence, Fr., QB, Clemson

32-20-0, 347 yards, 3 TD, 184.5 rating (passing); 6-27, 0 TD (rushing); 374 yards total offense

Defensive: #1 Trayvon Mullen, Jr., CB, Clemson

(6,0—6 TT; 1-11 TFL/QB Sack; 1 INT-46 yards; 1 3rd down stop)

ATTENDANCE Tonight's attendance of **74,814** brought the final count to **1,602,618** for the 2018-19 bowl season (**41,093** average for 39 games). This is a slight increase over last year's average of 40,506 for 40 games.

ONE-LINER QUICKIES

- The lower seed has won all five CFP Championship games; the No. 1 seed is now **0-3**.
- The winning team has now been seeded 4, 2, 2, 4 and 2.
- Clemson is the first Division I/FBS team to go **15-0** since Penn in 1897; it's the first to win at least **15** games since the University of Chicago (16-0-2) in 1899.
- The five CFP championship games have drawn **388,210** in attendance, or **77,642** per.
- The 61 degree temperature at kickoff was the second coolest of the five games; three were indoors, and the temp in Tampa two years ago was 56 degrees.
- The attendance of **74,814** was once again the second-most this bowl season, trailing the Rose Bowl (91,853).
- In all-time No. 1 vs. No. 2 games, No. 1 teams now lead, **30-25-3** (AP, UPI/Coaches/BCS/CFP). No. 2 has won five of the last seven.
- Alabama won the opening coin toss (chose to defer); the winner of the toss is now **2-3** in CFP title games.
- The **3:27** game time was the quickest of the five CFP title games (by some 10 minutes; Ohio State-Oregon took 3:37).
- This was the first time the losing team was held under 20 points; the winner has now scored in the 40s three times. In the five games, **322** points have been scored (64.4 per); 60 were tonight.

STATISTICAL QUIRKS

- Alabama was **3-of-6** on third downs; coming in, the Tide was 4-of-9 in 14 games.
- Clemson was 10-of-15 on third downs; it gained 255 on those 10 conversions (25.5 per, with gains of 74, 62, 37, 26, 17 and 14).
- However, Clemson gained 5 or more yards on just 5 of 26 first down plays (and all gained 11 or more); Alabama gained 5-plus yards on 20 of 33 first down plays (10 or more 14 times).
- The two PAT kicks that were missed (both hit the left upright) were the first PAT kicks missed in CFP title game play.
- When Clemson took a 44-16 lead late in the third quarter, it marked the biggest lead (28 points) at any point in the five CFP title games; the previous largest margin had been 22, the final score in the first game (Ohio State 42, Oregon 20).
- Alabama had three second half possessions end on downs; all three ended in plus territory, as Clemson's defense stepped up and limited the Tide to 59 yards on 22 second half plays on its side of the 50.
- **Feast or Famine:** not including the last drive that ran out the clock (10:02, 14 plays, 94 yards), Clemson had six scoring drives and its other three were all three-and-outs.

HALFTIME & OTHER TELLTALES

In the 29 games since the 1968 season, when the *Associated Press* poll was taken after the bowls, the team that has led at halftime in a game where the winner would be crowned the national champion is now **21-4** (five games were tied).

- The teams committing more turnovers in these game are now just **4-23** (three even).
- The teams leading after three quarters are now **22-7** (one tie).

QUICK SCORES

The first three scores of the game came 2:35 apart (or 155 seconds); but it was only the second quickest for three scores in a CFP title game. In 2016, Alabama scored a FG with 10:34 left in the third quarter, recovered an onside kick, scored a TD in two plays (9:45), Clemson kicked a field goal at the 7:47 mark, and Alabama returned the kickoff for a TD (7:31). That's three scores in 2:14, and four scores in 3:03.

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CFP CHAMPIONSHIP GAME RECORDS

(includes only significant ones from the five games to date)

INDIVIDUAL

HIGHEST QB RATING
184.5, Trevor Lawrence, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN
44, A.J. Terrell, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

LONGEST INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN
44, A.J. Terrell, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

TEAM

BEST THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY
66.7 (10 of 15), Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

MOST POINTS SCORED IN FIRST HALF
31, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

MOST POINTS SCORED IN SECOND QUARTER
17, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

MOST POINTS SCORED IN THIRD QUARTER
13, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDAGE
90, Clemson vs. Alabama, at Bay Area, Jan. 7, 2019

OTHER TIDBITS

- Today's 44-16 win marked the 10th consecutive victory for Clemson by 20 points or more (13 of 15 this season). The Tigers have outscored their opponents 474-113 during that 10-game stretch, an average of 47.4-11.3.

- Clemson's 28-point margin (44-16) was the largest ever against a Nick Saban-coached Alabama squad. The 44 points scored were the second-most against Saban at Alabama (Oklahoma had 45 in the 2014 Allstate Sugar Bowl). Clemson scored the final 30 points of the game.

- Following tonight's results, both Clemson and Alabama are 55-4 (.932) over the past four seasons.

- Clemson QB Trevor Lawrence:

—Finished the first quarter 2-of-7 for 70 yards with 0 touchdowns and 0 interceptions before going 10-of-14 for 127 yards with 1 touchdown and 0 interceptions in the second quarter. After the 2-of-7 opening quarter, he was 18-of-25 for 277 yards with 3 touchdowns and 0 interceptions the rest of the game. On third down, he was 8-of-11 for 240 yards.

—Joined Oklahoma's Jamelle Holieway as only true freshmen QBs to win national title games. Holieway led the Sooners to the crown in 1985.

—Became the third freshman in FBS history with 30 passing touchdowns in a season (exactly 30). He joins Florida State's Jameis Winston (40 in 2013) and Oklahoma's Sam Bradford (36 in 2007) in reaching that mark.

—Lawrence becomes the first true freshman QB to beat Nick Saban since Mississippi State's Wesley Carroll in 2007. He is just the third true freshman ever to defeat Saban (Florida's Chris Leak in 2003 while Saban coached LSU and LSU's Herb Tyler in 1995 while Saban coached Michigan State).

- Alabama had allowed one 60-yard pass play all season entering tonight's game. Clemson completed passes of 62 and 74 yards against the Crimson Tide this evening.

- For NCAA record 8th consecutive year, Clemson under Dabo Swinney will match or finish year ranked higher in final AP poll than preseason poll:

Year	Preseason	Final rank
2018	2	1
2017	5	4
2016	2	1
2015	12	2
2014	16	15
2013	8	8
2012	14	11
2011	NR	22

- There have now been just **three** rushing touchdown in the last two title games, compared to **14** in the first three CPF championship games; there have been nine passing TDs.

RUSHING ANALYSIS An in-depth look at how the top rushers for each team this season fared in tonight's game:

Player, Team	Att	Yds	Avg.	Long	TD	FD	20+	10+	5+	0	Neg.
Etienne, CU	14	92	6.1	38	2	4	1	3	4	1	2
N. Harris, ALA	9	59	6.6	13	0	4	0	3	6	1	1
D. Harris, ALA	11	57	5.2	15	0	3	0	3	5	1	1
Jacobs, ALA	11	47	4.3	11	0	5	0	1	4	2	0

Player, Team	Left Hash	Middle	Right Hash
Etienne, CU	8-73	5-13	1-(-1)
N. Harris, ALA	4-26	1-0	4-33
D. Harris, ALA	4-25	5-17	2-15
Jacobs, ALA	3-2	7-31	2-14

PASSING ANALYSIS An analysis of where each quarterback threw the ball and the result:

	OUTSIDE LEFT HASH			CENTER			OUTSIDE RIGHT HASH		
Player, Team	A-C-I	Yds	TD	A-C-I	Yds	TD	A-C-I	Yds	TD
Lawrence, CLEM	13-5-0	39	0	5-5-0	52	2	14-9-0	256	1
Tagovailoa, ALA	14-7-2	116	1	10-6-0	54	0	10-7-0	125	1
Hurts, ALA	1-0-0	0	0	0-0-0	0	0	1-0-0	0	0

YARDS AFTER THE CATCH: Clemson 190, Alabama 80.

UNDER PRESSURE What kind of pressure each defense was able to put on the opposing quarterback:

	LAWRENCE, CLE	TAGOVAILOA, ALA	HURTS, ALA
Sacked	0/0	1/11	1/4
Hurried Throws	4	6	0
Times Hit	7	4	1
Times Knocked Down	3	3	0
Passes Broken Up	4	3	0
Scrambles-Yards	1-(-3)	0-0	0-0

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TOP 10 POSTSEASON PEFORMANCES (2018)

Two players in tonight's game cracked the top 10 in the below categories, thus the final leaders for the 2018-19 bowl season:

RUSHING LEADERS (31 total 100-yard games)

Player, School	Att	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
Ke'Shawn Vaughn, Vanderbilt	13	**243**	18.7	2	69t
Trayveon Williams, Texas A&M	19	**236**	12.4	3	93t
Mohamed Ibrahim, Minnesota	31	**224**	7.2	2	57
Ronnie Rivers, Fresno State	24	**212**	8.8	2	68t
Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin	27	**205**	7.6	1	41
Larry Roundtree, Missouri	27	**204**	7.6	1	55t
Sewo Olonilua, TCU	32	**194**	6.1	1	33
Kelvin Hopkins, Jr., Army (QB)	11	**170**	15.5	5	77t
Michael Warren, Cincinnati	20	**166**	8.3	2	40t
A.J. Ouellette, Ohio	29	**164**	5.7	0	15

PASSING LEADERS (23 total 300-yard games)

Player, School	Att-Com-Int	Yards	Pct.	Avg.	TD	Rating
Daniel Jones, Duke	41-30-2	**423**	73.2	10.3	5	190.3
Joe Burrow, LSU	34-21-1	**394**	61.8	11.6	4	192.0
Charlie Brewer, Baylor	34-21-1	**384**	61.8	11.3	2	170.2
Jarrett Stidham, Auburn	21-15-0	**373**	71.4	17.8	5	299.2
Tyler Johnston, UAB	29-17-1	**373**	58.6	12.9	4	205.3
Drew Lock, Missouri	38-23-0	**373**	60.5	9.8	3	169.0
Jordan Love, Utah State	43-21-1	**359**	48.8	7.3	4	145.0
Trevor Lawrence, Clemson	32-20-0	**347**	62.5	10.8	3	184.5
Taylor Cornelius, Oklahoma State	44-26-2	**336**	59.1	7.6	4	144.1
Brent Stockstill, Middle Tennessee	37-25-2	**330**	67.6	8.0	1	140.6

RECEIVING LEADERS (26 total 100-yard games)

Player, School	No.	Yards	Avg.	TD	Long
T.J. Rahming, Duke	12	**240**	20.0	2	85t
Xavier Ubosi, UAB	7	**227**	32.4	3	70t
Hakeem Butler, Iowa State	9	**192**	21.3	0	36
Johnathon Johnson, Missouri	9	**185**	20.6	1	86t
Alex Bachman, Wake Forest	7	**171**	24.4	0	49
Randall St. Felix, South Florida	6	**165**	27.5	2	38t
Darius Slayton, Auburn	3	**160**	53.3	3	74t
Justyn Ross, Clemson	6	**153**	25.5	1	74t
Jalen Greene, Utah State	6	**151**	25.2	1	67t
Justyn Ross, Clemson	6	**148**	24.7	2	52t

POSTSEASON TIDBITS

- Clemson's 28-point win "only" tied for the ninth-largest margin in the postseason; Army had the biggest win with its 70-14 win over Houston in the Armed Forces Bowl.
- Clemson outscored Notre Dame & Alabama by 74-19 in its two playoff games – the **55**-point scoring margin is the highest in the five playoffs; Alabama had the old best of 43, outscoring Michigan State and Clemson by 83-40 in 2015-16.

FIRST HALF LINER NOTES

- Clemson's **A.J. Terrell's** 44-yard interception return to open the scoring was in a CFP championship game:
—the first interception return for a touchdown;
—the longest defensive play (interception or fumble return);
—the first non-offensive score to open a game.
- This was the **74th** quarter this bowl season where both teams scored in the same quarter, but just the **10th** where both teams scored twice.
- Alabama's 224 yard of offense was a high for any quarter in CFP title game and the most in a first quarter (old highs were by Clemson: 214 in the fourth quarter and 147 in the first quarter in the 2016 game).
- Alabama ran 25 plays in the first quarter, 14 on first downs for 164 yards (11.7 per).
- Clemson turned two interceptions into 14 points (Alabama came in with just 6 interceptions on the year).
- The 31 points allowed in the first half by Alabama is the most it has given up in a half since Oklahoma scored 31 vs. the Crimson Tide in the 2014 Allstate Sugar Bowl (2013 season). The 31 points match the most points scored against a Nick Saban-coached Alabama team in a half.
- After going 11-of-13 for 157 yards and 2 touchdowns with 1 interception in the first quarter, Alabama QB Tua Tagovailoa was 2-of-4 for 1 yard and 0 touchdowns with 1 interception in the second quarter.
- The 197 passing yards by Clemson **QB Trevor Lawrence** is a new CFP Championship Game record for the first half.
- Lawrence finished the first quarter 2-of-7 for 70 yards with 0 touchdowns and 0 interceptions before going 10-of-14 for 127 yards with 1 touchdown and 0 interceptions in the second quarter.
- Clemson takes a 15-point lead to halftime over Alabama. Last year, the Crimson Tide trailed by 13 points to Georgia at halftime before coming back to win in overtime, 26-23. It's the largest margin at halftime in a postseason title game since Alabama led
- Notre Dame, 28-0, in the 2012 BCS game (2011 season).
The 31 points by Clemson are the most in a first half of a title game since the 2006 BCS game (2005 season), when Florida led Ohio State, 34-14.

WHO HELD SERVE? Alabama (**47.7**) and Clemson (**44.3**) entered tonight ranked second and fourth in scoring offense; Clemson hit their average, but Alabama was held to a season-low 16 points, including a scoreless second half.

FINAL CONFERENCE RECORDS

League ('18 bowl teams)	W	L	Pct.	Pts	Opp	vs. P5
Conference USA (6)	4	2	.667	167	176	0-0
Independents (3)	2	1	.667	122	62	0-1
Mountain West (5)	3	2	.600	113	104	1-0
Sun Belt (5)	3	2	.600	147	123	0-0
Big 12 (7)	4	3	.571	199	206	4-3
Big Ten (9)	5	4	.556	214	216	5-4
Atlantic Coast (10)	6	5	.545	299	268	4-4
SEC (11)	6	6	.500	398	342	5-6
Pac-12 (7)	3	4	.429	119	145	3-3
American Athletic (7)	2	5	.286	203	296	1-3
Mid-American (6)	1	5	.167	143	186	0-0
Totals (76)	**39**	**39**	**.500**	**2124**	**2124**	.....

LOOKING AHEAD For the 2019 season, the **Fiesta** and **Peach** bowls will serve for the second time as the semifinal games, which will be played on Saturday, December 28. The championship game, to be hosted by **New Orleans** (Mercedes-Benz Sperdome), will be on Monday, January 13 … Clemson will open the 2019 season on Thursday, August 29, hosting **Georgia Tech** in the first-ever game on the inaugural ACC Network, while **Alabama** will square off against Duke in Atlanta on Saturday, September 1.

2019 College Football Playoff National Championship
No. 2 Clemson Tigers (44), No. 1 Alabama Crimson Tide (16)

ALABAMA POSTGAME NOTES

GAME CAPTAINS: Alabama's captains for tonight's College Football Playoff National Championship against Clemson were running back Damien Harris, tight end Hale Hentges, linebacker Christian Miller and center Ross Pierschbacher.

TAGOVAILOA FINISHES SECOND FOR TDs IN A SEASON IN SEC HISTORY: Tua Tagovailoa threw two touchdown passes in the CFP National Championship Game to finish with 43 on the season. That number stands as the second-most in SEC history. Missouri's Drew Lock holds the record with 44 in 2017.

FOURTH DOWN CONVERSION: The Crimson Tide converted its first three fourth down attempts, all of which were wildcat conversions to Josh Jacobs.

FIRST QUARTER OFFENSE: Alabama collected 224 yards of offense over the opening 15:00 of the game for an average of 8.96 yards per play.

CFP National Championship

Monday, January 7, 2019

Dabo Swinney
Trevor Lawrence
Trayvon Mullen

Clemson Tigers

Clemson 44, Alabama 16

THE MODERATOR: Pleased to be joined by Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney, offensive player of the game Trevor Lawrence and defensive player of the game Trayvon Mullen.

DABO SWINNEY: Man, just an amazing night. I'm just so thankful to have an opportunity to be a part of it. As I said out there, it's just the grace of God to have the opportunity to experience something like this once in a lifetime, and to have a chance now to do it two times in the past three years is just amazing. Just amazing. I'm so proud of our team. This team was special from day one. Our leadership, our focus, our commitment, but I'm so happy for all these guys, our staff, our fans, our administration, our former players. Congratulations to Alabama, unbelievable season and champion that they've been.

But our guys, they had a clear vision of the way we wanted this to go tonight. I think we were able to achieve that. We took care of the ball. We attacked, made big plays. Defensively we bent a little bit but we didn't break, had some critical stops, made some plays on special teams, and it was just a complete performance all the way through.

I mean, our guys had the eye of the tiger, but I'm so proud, and then for our seniors to be able to go out 15-0 and truly be the best ever -- there was a lot of talk about best ever all year long. We were never in that conversation. But tonight, there's no doubt. First 15-0 team, to beat Notre Dame and to beat Alabama to do it, this team won 13 games by 20 points or more and led by an unbelievable group of seniors, amazing group. I'm just thankful to be a part of it.

It's just an amazing moment. Having done this before, as I just told these guys, you enjoy this moment, and we're certainly going to enjoy it, but at the end of the day, it's more an appreciation for the journey we went through to get here, the grind, the struggles, and then what you remember most and appreciate most is the relationships that you have in place.

An amazing moment. So thankful, and can't wait to get back started Friday and see if we can find a way to go do it again.

Q. Trevor, early on in the game, it looked like you were a little up and down, and I'm wondering were there any nerves? Did you figure some things out on the defense? What allowed you to settle into more of a rhythm as the game went on?
TREVOR LAWRENCE: It might have looked that way, but I didn't really feel up and down. I feel like we had a good plan and we knew what we were doing, and obviously every game there's some adjustments, especially they come out doing some stuff a little different than you might think they will, and they have great coaches, too, and they prepped for us, and they did a great job. But yeah, we had to make some adjustments, but really just proud of how we handled everything and really thankful for my O-line, no sacks tonight, and they did an unbelievable job.

Q. Trevor, at one point you were 8 for 10 for 240 yards on third down alone. How would you describe how that felt, not only making the reads and the plays that you were making but on the other end seeing some phenomenal catches by your receivers tonight?
TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, I mean, the games like this you've got to make big plays, and the guys that we have, they definitely did that. You just give them a chance, and they'll come down with it. Like I said about the O-line, same thing about the receivers and running backs and everyone else. Just amazing players and really just so proud of -- it took a lot to get here, but really just proud of those guys.

Q. How much can you really enjoy it now, you're the first true freshman to lead your team to a National Championship, offensive player of the game. What does it mean to enjoy it now?
TREVOR LAWRENCE: That doesn't mean as much as being able to be a part of this team. Really it's true, even if we didn't go all this way and win a National Championship, this has been a team that I'll never forget for one, and it's just been amazing, the focus and how driven this team is has been unbelievable. Just

these seniors, just taking me in, and they kind of dragged me along until I got my feet under me, and they just -- they're awesome people as well as players.

Q. Trevor, this week you said you watched the game last year and you dreamed about playing in it. I just want to know, did it live up to your expectations, or was it even better for you?
TREVOR LAWRENCE: Yeah, I mean, it was just surreal. So yeah, it was even better. It's always great just to get another game with this group of guys. Like I said, just been an amazing year. But yeah, it was amazing. Obviously our fans were awesome, traveled well. So thank you all for that. And then yeah, just an unbelievable experience.

Q. Trayvon, do you feel like that was the best game that you played, and can you take us through the big interception and return you had and then the sack you had on the corner blitz, it looked like that was pretty well disguised?
TRAYVON MULLEN: I wouldn't say it was the best game I played, but I know I came to play. The whole defense came to play, the whole team, all three phases. Coach V, he's a terrific coach, he puts us in great position. Like Coach Swinney said, we started off a little bit slow, we bent a little bit but never broke. We just kept grinding, and on that play we were three deep call and I opened up and I read through Tua and I seen the ball and I went and grabbed it.

The corner blitz, it was like a cover two call, but the boundary corner, we blitzed on that specific call that Coach told us on the blitz through the B gap. When I seen a receiver motion, I knew it was my shot, and then I just went for it.

Q. Trevor, Coach Swinney said that when he named you the starter, he wasn't thinking about the rest of the season, he was thinking about the Syracuse game, and it happened to be the next game. When Coach named you the starter, did you think it was a chance for one game, or did you see this as I'm taking this the rest of the way?
TREVOR LAWRENCE: I mean, I think some of that stuff came after, you know, but when it happened, I'm just like, okay, I've got to lock in this week, take it one week at a time. We had a conversation, but we knew -- the situation was I got the opportunity to start that week, and that was really it. But I feel like just trying to take it one week at a time and really everyone on our team has done that, and that's why we've been so successful this year.

Q. Coach, when did you realize No. 8 would be a difficult match-up for Alabama?
DABO SWINNEY: What did you say again? AJ Terrell?

Q. Justin.
DABO SWINNEY: Oh, that 8. I mean, the moment we recruited him, we knew he'd be a tough match-up not just for Alabama, for anybody we played. But what a night. I mean, he's just a guy that I thought early in the season -- I mean, he was unbelievable in camp and the early part of the season, and then thought he hit a little bit of a wall because it's tough, man, I mean, it's just a different -- when you go from being the most dominant guy on the field to now every day at practice is like the Super Bowl because you're going against some elite talent, and then he just kind of got his second wind, and these last five games probably, he has been unbelievable. The catches that you saw him make tonight, those are routine for him. I mean, it's just amazing. I told Trevor, I said, could you quit throwing crappy balls so he don't have to show off like that and make some of those crazy catches? But that's what he can do.

And for this kid from Alabama to have the opportunity to beat Alabama for the National Championship, I mean, listen, I know exactly how he feels for sure, and it was something we talked about in the recruiting process, and he wanted to be a part of this, and he wanted to come play with Trevor. He wanted to be a part of our tradition that we have at the receiver position, and you know, he didn't mind coming in and jumping in line behind T and kind of earning his way. He's a pretty good player as a freshman, and we got Trevor back again and Travis back. Like I said earlier, I can't wait until our team meeting on Friday, and that's going to be our first team meeting for the 2019 team. It's going to be a fun bunch.

Some people say, oh, well, everybody is like, well, you lose you get motivated. I get motivated by winning. I don't have to lose to get motivated. Man, I'm as motivated as I've ever been to get back to work with next year's team and kind of figure it out because it's going to be fun because we've got a lot of unbelievable seniors that are moving on but we've got some dynamic pieces like Justin Ross and that guy right here, that No. 16 coming back that are going to lead the way.

Q. How familiar are you with Clelin's reference on the stage with the coach dancing and things like that, and what do you think he's going to bring to a team at the next level?
DABO SWINNEY: I have no idea what he said on the stage. You'll have to give me some -- I have no idea what he said.

Q. It was a Death Row Records reference.
DABO SWINNEY: Oh, okay, I don't know. I mean, if he

goes pro, he's going to bring anything and everything. All these seniors, this is an amazing group of people. I told them in the locker room, I can't wait 20 years from now to get together and see what this group of young people do in life. They're going to dominate life. This is an amazing -- we had 66 guys make a 3.0 or better. That was a school record, shattered the record. Everything they've done, they've like gone above and beyond. 55 wins. The record was 50. 56 was our record for 3.0s. We had 66. We had 26 graduates, the most of any bowl team. We won the AFCA academic award, we won the Campbell Trophy, and we won the National Championship on the field. And man, it's just been unbelievable. These are some of the most dynamic young people you're ever going to meet in the word, Clelin, Christian, Austin, Kendall, Mitch, Falci, Adam, Trevion, I mean, it just goes on and on and on, these seniors, and they are going to be amazing people in life. I can't wait to get together 20 years down the road and meet their kids and just hear all the great things that they're going to go on and do in life. And this was a great moment. This was just part of their journey. It's just part of their journey.

But their leadership is what -- I told them, you've led us all year, got to lead us tonight. So I'm just super proud of them, and I know they're going to love and enjoy this but go on and do great things.

Q. If someone had told you when you were a walk-on at Alabama that you would go back and beat that team twice for the national title, what would you have thought?
DABO SWINNEY: Why not, you know? Why not? That's what it takes. It takes belief. I think that we put limitations on our own self by how we think. I've always believed that way. Why not?

God is bigger than that stage out there, that's for sure. You know, I know 10 years ago not many people probably saw this coming, but we're here, and we did it. It's amazing. It's a blessing.

As I said, out there on the field, I said it two years ago and I'll say it again: This is really not anything that I've done. It's not anything that our players have done. I mean, it's -- I think God has worked through us. Only God can do this. A Hollywood movie Steven Spielberg or whoever one of them producer people are, they couldn't write this script. They couldn't write this script. They really couldn't. Only God can do this. And I give him all the glory because I know where my strength comes from, and I know that it's only by his grace that I've been able to walk this walk, walk this journey. God has opened so many doors for me, closed doors, put people in my path. He's gifted me. Man, I'm just so thankful.

As a young boy growing up in Alabama, I've lived so many of my dreams, and I dreamed big. I mean, what else was I going to do?

If anything, I hope that a moment like this -- because I know there's a single mom out there somewhere probably trying to figure out how she's going to make it. I know there's a kid probably like me that's got some bad circumstances and not sure what your future looks like. If anything else, man, that comes from this tonight, I hope that somebody like that can have some encouragement and some hope that, you know what, God has got a plan for me. And he can say, man, if that guy can go do it, you know what, why can't I. But you've got to be willing to put the work in, number one, and then if Clemson can do it, why can't we? We're just little ol' Clemson. We're not supposed to be here. We're not supposed to be the first 15-0 team in history. We're not supposed to be here, but we are. But we are. And beat Notre Dame and Alabama to do it. Only God can do that.

Q. When you got this job on an interim basis and then you got the job permanently, Clemson was from the outside looking in a middle of the pack program, but you guys had a lot of talent on that team, but everybody wanted to say, oh, that's just Clemson Clemsoning. You guys have shed that notion now winning two championships in the last three years. How surreal is it to see your program now, and you're already talking about Friday, looking forward to next season, four days after winning a National Championship. Talk about how it is to have your program talked about with the Bamas, with the Notre Dames, with the Georgias?
DABO SWINNEY: Well, it's what we set out to do. In fact, at my very first board meeting, I've said this many times, I don't know any of these people and they've all got suits on and it was very stuff if I, and I was like, this ain't going to go well. One of the guys said, we just want to be a program like Michigan and Florida and Georgia and a team that's really good academically, and I'm sitting there talking to myself saying, keep your mouth shut, just shut up, get out of here and move on. But Alabama wouldn't allow that, so I kind of cut the guy off, and I just said, you know, I don't mean this disrespectful, but that's not my goal. My vision for Clemson is for all these other schools to want to be like Clemson. I want to build a model program, and I want to do it in a way that loves our players, serves our players, equips our players. I want to have some fun doing it, and if it don't work, hey, I can go do something else.

And that's what we've done, and we've been intentional with that. So 10 years later, our core values are exactly the same as they were back in '09. And it's been -- you

know, it's been a process of building it, and you're right, we were a definite middle of the pack program. We hadn't won 10 games since '90 or '91 when I got the job. And now eight years in a row. That was something I told the team, why would you have any doubt, like why would you have any doubt. If you just pay attention -- I mean, we won our first division in '09. Everything we've done once, we've done again. We won our first division, we've won it seven times. We won our first league championship in '11, we've won it five times. We had our first 10-win season in '11, we've had eight. We had our first top-10 recruiting class, we've had seven of them, but we haven't ever had the top recruiting class. Probably never will. But we've done okay. We got our first BCS bowl, now we've been to several of them. The only thing we hadn't done twice was win it all. I told the team, we're going to do it again, it's just a matter of which team makes the decision, because I think it's a decision. I think it's a decision.

You have to make a decision on what you're going to do with your commitment and so forth. So I'm just thankful that we've been able to do it and we've been able to build a program of consistency. Our goal is not to win a National Championship. People don't believe that. Our goal is to win the closer right there. The National Championship is just a byproduct of that. It's never been my goal. I don't measure teams by that, and I know we've got some rabid people that that drives them crazy, but I measure our team based on did we get better, did we reach our potential. Not every team is good enough to win the National Championship. That's okay. That's okay. What was our commitment? How did we prepare?

So we've built a program of consistency on and off the field. Eight out of my ten years we've been top 10 academically. I've had 208 seniors, 204 graduates, 15 juniors leave early, four of them have already come back to get their degree, and that's really what I want to be measured by. Not National Championships. Hey, that's great, that's all part of it, but how do my three sons turn out in life and how do all of these players that God has gifted me with to be in their lives, how did they turn out in life, what did they do 10 years from now, five years, 15 years, whatever it is. That's really what I'm going to be measured by. If we can win some National Championships along the way, then that's a blessing.

But that's not our goal. That's not our goal. Our goal is to have a program of consistency and a program that graduates its players and to do it in a way that loves them and equips them with the tools that they're going to need to go out and dominate outside the lines, not just inside the lines.

CFP National Championship

Monday, January 7, 2019

Nick Saban
Tua Tagovailoa
Xavier McKinney

Alabama Crimson Tide

Clemson 44, Alabama 16

THE MODERATOR: We'll take opening statements, then we will entertain questions for the student athletes and then we will go ahead and take questions for Coach. With that, Coach, when you're ready, an opening comment.

NICK SABAN: Well, obviously we're all very, very disappointed, but I'd like to say that I'm very, very proud of what our team was able to accomplish this year, to win 14 games, win the SEC, win the Orange Bowl, have an opportunity to play for the National Championship, really proud of our players, really proud of our team. And I don't think that one game necessarily defines who you are, and that's certainly what I'd like for our players to know. I think you learn a lot from experiences like this. We certainly didn't play very well tonight, and we had some issues. We couldn't get off the field on third down, we gave up a couple big time explosive plays on third down, third down and 13, third down and 9. We had plenty of opportunities to score offensively, have the ball at the 1-yard line, get a penalty, end up kicking a field goal, have it down there a couple more times, do a fake field goal and go for it on fourth down and don't make it, get stopped on the goal line and 1-yard line another time.

Got to congratulate Clemson. They did a very, very good job. Their quarterback is really good, their skill players are really good. We actually stopped the run pretty well and created enough third-down situations, we just couldn't get off the field on third down, couldn't capitalize on our opportunities that we had on offense.

But the seniors on this team have done a fantastic job of representing the University of Alabama. I think they've won 50-some games or whatever since they've been here, and they've been a class group and provided a lot of leadership and a lot of good examples for the young players on our team, and we certainly appreciate them and wish them well in their future.

Q. Tua, what was Clemson doing to confuse you, specifically on the two interception plays?
TUA TAGOVAILOA: I don't think it was anything that they were doing that stopped us. That was totally a bad decision. It was a poor decision on my part. I just think we came out, and we were killing ourselves. We shot ourselves in the foot by me throwing that interception for a touchdown, and then not finishing drives the way we wanted to. Just didn't go the way we wanted to.

Q. Obviously you knew coming in that Trevor Lawrence was not just a freshman at this point in the season anymore, but what did you think actually getting out there and seeing what he did out there on the field tonight?
NICK SABAN: Well, it was no surprise to me. I think he's played extremely well all year long. We knew that their receiving corps was probably the most talented that we've seen as a group all year long. 8, 5, 13, those guys are really, really talented guys, and again, I said it earlier, we had opportunities to get off the field on third down, and we couldn't get off the field. I mean, they were like 8 of 11 at one point in time, 10 of 15 for the game, and we gave up big plays, not just first downs, but we gave up big plays. That and the combination of us not finishing drives, I mean, when you look at the stats of the game and they basically had the ball for the last 10 minutes of the game, but if you look at the stats of the game, their yards and all that are fairly equal. But the score, because of turnovers, not finishing drives in the red zone, not getting off the field on third down, giving up explosive plays, score doesn't indicate anything like that.

Q. Tua, what did you see as the issues for you guys in the red zone?
TUA TAGOVAILOA: We just weren't executing what we were -- what the plays were. We just didn't punch it in. That's basically all it was.

Q. Xavier, was the team you saw out on the field different from the team you watched on film?
XAVIER MCKINNEY: No, we just didn't execute. We didn't do -- we had a lot of busts, a lot of things that we could have did better, and that's basically it.

Q. Xavier, I'd ask you to expand on that a little bit. What did you see from Trevor that maybe you guys

hadn't seen from any other quarterbacks that you faced this year?
XAVIER MCKINNEY: He could throw the ball well. There was nothing really different. A lot of it was what we were doing. A lot of stuff that we didn't execute, so I feel like that was just mainly on our part and what we were doing.

Q. Xavier and Tua, this team coming in here 14-0 really epitomized I think the resiliency that you want to see in an ideal scenario. What do you take away from this season, and taking away from tonight, are there things that you feel like you want to focus on coming out of this?
XAVIER MCKINNEY: Well, of course we had a great season. It didn't end the way we wanted it to end. A lot of that defensively, I blame myself a lot for how we played today, and I just know me personally that I'm going to try my hardest and make sure that this doesn't happen again. But I thought we played -- we had a great season, it just didn't end the way we wanted it to end.

TUA TAGOVAILOA: Yeah, you know, just like what Xavier said. We had a great season, but five words: Good is not good enough. We didn't finish the way we wanted to finish. We didn't do the things we needed to do to execute and be successful in this game, and that's all it is.

Q. Xavier and Tua, I would like to know what was said in the locker room postgame, specifically with the seniors, as well, maybe a final message to the seniors?
TUA TAGOVAILOA: Well, it wasn't anything different. From the seniors, from Coach Saban, just go out there, we've got to execute, play at a fast level, high level of intensity, focus on what you've got to do, play-by-play, and that was it. We've just got to go out there and just do what we do.

XAVIER MCKINNEY: I mean, every game, we treat every game the same. We know we try to come out there and play hard every night, every Saturday, whenever we play. It's never a different way how we play. There's always one way, and that's the Bama way. It's never we feel differently about how we're going to play. We know how we should play and how we're expected to play.

Q. Nick, to what do you attribute the number of mistakes and the lack of execution?
NICK SABAN: Well, you know, first of all, you've got to give Clemson a little bit of credit. They have a really good team. I think the responsibility for us not playing well really starts with me. You know, we obviously didn't go out there and they did do some things that we weren't prepared for, but you always expect that -- a couple bunch passes that Oklahoma ran and some other people that we had to make adjustment to at halftime.

But I thought the players prepared well for this game, and I think that they just got out-performed. It wasn't like we just didn't cover a guy. I mean, we tried to cover No. 8. He caught the ball, made a big play. We were in three-deep zone when No. 5 catches a ball and runs 50 yards, 60 yards for a touchdown, guy doesn't play the deep third properly. So you know, those responsibilities start with me, our staff and all the coaches who try to get these guys ready, and when we don't play well, I feel like that's a reflection on the job that we did, the job that I did.

You know, but Clemson did a really, really good job. I know the score. There's a lot of good things that our team did out there today, especially on offense, and we did stop the run on defense, but we couldn't get off the field on third down. I mean, sometimes we just didn't get them covered. A couple times we made some errors on things that they did that we had not practiced that were difficult, and they're pretty good.

Q. Nick, again, you haven't experienced a loss like this in your tenure. What was going through your head as it was unfolding? And also, do you think some of the long-standing issues maybe were exposed, the field goal kicking forced you into decisions that maybe you might not want to make, and also the secondary depth being a problem and that kind of came to the surface in this game?
NICK SABAN: Well, we have had some issues with the guys that are not out there playing, and I think sometimes you have to be fortunate because when you play against good teams, you need that depth and you need those people.

I think it was a poor decision on my part not to kick the field goal, the first drive of the second half. We thought we had a really, really good fake, and somebody didn't block the guy they were supposed to block, so it didn't work, so it was a bad call. It's always that way.

We didn't finish drives in the red zone because we could have got right back in the game now. We had the ball down there three times and didn't score a point, didn't score a point. We had a fake field goal, went for it on fourth down twice, had the ball on the 1-yard line.

So I mean, this game could have been a little different if we'd have finished things a little better. But we didn't play well enough on defense to win because if you can't get off the field on third down you're going to have

a hard time when you're playing against a good team.

But there was nothing going through my head except what can I do to help our team play better the next play, and we just kept not being able to finish things the way we wanted to. I feel like it's my responsibility that those things didn't happen properly.

Q. We've known for some time in college football that true freshmen are very much able to contribute, including of course on your teams. That said, with Trevor Lawrence doing this this year, I'm wondering how you've seen it evolve in college football where even in past decades where -- even the most recent recruiting class you bring in can make such a huge difference at the end of the year.
NICK SABAN: Well, Trevor Lawrence is a special talent. I saw him when he was a sophomore, and he was a special player as a sophomore in high school. And he's playing in a good system, in a good scheme. That's somewhat similar to what he played in high school.

And I think that -- I got this asked at the press conference the other day, why are more freshmen able to play, especially at quarterback, and I think there's a greater similarity with the offense that they grow up with and the offense that they play in college. So there's a lot more similarities. And I think the quarterback position is a little easier now because it's not all drop-back oriented. RPOs have made it very simple for the quarterback in a lot of ways.

So not a surprise to me, and I think you'll see more and more young quarterbacks be able to contribute early on because of those similarities and their training. Their training is better. We have seven-on-sevens all over the country, we've got great quarterback coaches that help these guys develop early in their careers, but Trevor has always been a special talent in my mind, and it doesn't surprise me. He's got the right stuff as a person, and he's played phenomenally well for his team this year.

Q. I noticed when you were leaving the field you were looking over your notes. I wondered what you were seeing there, what you were thinking, and also, like I asked the players, this team I think did show great resiliency all through the season. What is your takeaway from this team and maybe what you want to focus on moving forward with them?
NICK SABAN: Well, I sort of made the same opening comments that I made to our team. I told them how proud I was of what they were able to accomplish. I know how disappointed we all are and they are and the way we didn't finish and the way we performed in this particular game. But they accomplished a lot, and we're really proud of them. Winning the SEC, winning the Orange Bowl and winning 14 games, I mean, our seniors have done a phenomenal job. I think they've won like 54 games in their career or whatever.

So one game doesn't define who you are. But I also told the players that sometimes we learn more when things don't go well, when we lose. You have to learn how to lose as well as how you win. And there's a lot of lessons for us to learn from the experience that we had in this game, whether you're a senior who's leaving or whether you're a player who's coming back and you see that we have work to do.

Q. With that defensive line of yours, were you surprised you weren't able to generate more consistent pressure on Lawrence, and did you feel that he got more comfortable as the game went on because of that?
NICK SABAN: Well, I thought that if we were going to have an opportunity, the best way to defend them is to rush four guys and play different kinds of coverages, and when we rushed four guys, we didn't get a lot of pressure. Their offensive line did a good job. He was very comfortable in the pocket, had time to throw, and we didn't get him covered very well in the back end at times. A combination of those things I think really made it more difficult for us because one of the things that they do extremely well with the players that they have, a mismatch, 8 and 5 outside is when you play middle-of-the-field coverage and you try to pressure, they've been very successful against that all year long, and Trevor Lawrence is very good at throwing the fade ball, back shoulders, whatever it is. And their two guys are really, really good at making plays on the 50/50 balls, which we knew would be a big part of what we needed to do well in this game, and I think maybe we made one play on a 50/50 ball and got one other pass interference.

Q. You've said to me in the past that you tend to remember the losses much more than the wins. Outside of the scoreboard, what do you think you'll remember most about tonight?
NICK SABAN: I just have a feeling that I didn't do a very good job for our team, with our team, giving them the best opportunity to be successful. I always feel that way, even sometimes when we win, I think there's things we could do better or that I could have done better.

But particularly in this case, never really ever got comfortable with what we needed to do to win this game, especially on defense, especially the match-ups we had in our secondary versus their receivers. That was something that was kind of bothering me going

into the game, and as the game unfolded, it worked out that those match-ups were a big difference in the game.

As always, I appreciate -- I know y'all think I don't like the press, but I really do love you for what you do to give a lot of positive self-gratification to a lot of our players by recognizing the things they do well, and we certainly appreciate all the interest you create for our sport, and college football is a great game and something that's great for these young people to be able to learn a lot of lessons in life, so we appreciate you so much for that, so thank you.

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CLEMSON POSTGAME QUOTES (ON FIELD)

Head coach Dabo Swinney
"There are so many great coaches that are so deserving of a moment like this and never get a chance to experience it. To get to do it once and to get to do it again…it's a blessing and it's simply the grace of the good lord to allow us to experience something like this. I'm so happy for our team, our fans, our administration, our former players. There hasn't ever been a 15-0 team and I know we're not supposed to be here. We're just little old Clemson and I'm not supposed to be here. But we are and I am. How about them Tigers. I'm so proud of our guys, these seniors. We beat Notre Dame and Alabama. We left no doubt and we walk off this field tonight as the first 15-0 team in college football history. All the credit, all the glory goes to the good lord No. 1, and No. 2 to these young people. When you get a young group of people that believe, are passionate, they love each other, they sacrifice, they're committed to a singleness of purpose you better look out because great things can happen and that's what you saw tonight."

MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

	CLEMSON	ALABAMA
HALFTIME SCORE	31	16
Time Spent in the Lead *(Tied 3:10)*	24:10	2:40
Total Plays-Yards	31-224	40-266
Plus Territory: Plays-Yards	18-98	16-80
Drives With Plays in Plus Territory	4 of 6	3 of 6
*First Down Plays/Yards	14-80	20-181
Average on First Down	5.7	9.0
Rushes/Average	6/3.8	9/5.6
Passes/Average *(includes sacks)*	8/7.1	11/11.9
Second Down Efficiency	3-10	5-12
Yards Gained	37	73
Third Down Efficiency	4-7	2-6
Average Yards To Go (All)	8.6	2.8
Yards Gained	107	5
Fourth Down Efficiency (Yards)	0-0 (0)	2-2 (7)
Total Possessions/Average FP	6/C31	7/A28
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20	0 (0/0)	0 (0/0)
Drives Started In Plus Territory	1 (7 pts)	(0 pts)
Three Plays & Out	2	0
Opponent Turnovers (Pts)	2 (14)	0 (0)
Red Zone (pts)	4-4 (24)	2-2 (9)
Plays-Yards	9-39	10-25
Third Down Efficiency	1-2	1-3
Fourth Down Efficiency	0-0	1-1
Yards by Quarter: 1st	86	224
2nd	138	42

FIRST HALF LINER NOTES

- Clemson's **A.J. Terrell's** 44-yard interception return to open the scoring was in a CFP championship game:
—the first interception return for a touchdown;
—the longest defensive play (interception or fumble return);
—the first non-offensive score to open a game.
- This was the **74th** quarter this bowl season where both teams scored in the same quarter, but just the **10th** where both teams scored twice.
- Alabama's 224 yard of offense was a high for any quarter in CFP title game and the most in a first quarter (old highs were by Clemson: 214 in the fourth quarter and 147 in the first quarter in the 2016 game).
- Alabama ran 25 plays in the first quarter, 14 on first downs for 164 yards (11.7 per).
- Clemson turned two interceptions into 14 points (Alabama came in with just 6 interceptions on the year).
- The 31 points allowed in the first half by Alabama is the most it has given up in a half since Oklahoma scored 31 vs. the Crimson Tide in the 2014 Allstate Sugar Bowl (2013 season). The 31 points match the most points scored against a Nick Saban-coached Alabama team in a half.
- After going 11-of-13 for 157 yards and 2 touchdowns with 1 interception in the first quarter, Alabama QB Tua Tagovailoa was 2-of-4 for 1 yard and 0 touchdowns with 1 interception in the second quarter.
- The 197 passing yards by Clemson **QB Trevor Lawrence** is a new CFP Championship Game record for the first half.
- Lawrence finished the first quarter 2-of-7 for 70 yards with 0 touchdowns and 0 interceptions before going 10-of-14 for 127 yards with 1 touchdown and 0 interceptions in the second quarter.
- Clemson takes a 15-point lead to halftime over Alabama. Last year, the Crimson Tide trailed by 13 points to Georgia at halftime before coming back to win in overtime, 26-23. It's the largest margin at halftime in a postseason title game since Alabama led
- Notre Dame, 28-0, in the 2012 BCS game (2011 season).

The 31 points by Clemson are the most in a first half of a title game since the 2006 BCS game (2005 season), when Florida led Ohio State, 34-14.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

The **Empire State Building** was once again illuminated this evening to acknowledge the CPF Championship Game for the fourth straight year. For the second year, the building was first shrouded in black and gold, the official CFP colors, and after the game it will switch to the colors of the winning team. The colors split the building, two sides lit in each color.

FWAA FRESHMAN ALL-AMERICA TEAM

The Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) handed out its annual honors this morning, and both teams had players make its Freshman All-America team: **DB Patrick Surtain II** and **WR Jayden Waddle** (Alabama) and **QB Trevor Lawrence** (Clemson). All three are true freshmen, and Lawrence was the inaugural recipient of the Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award (named for the former Alabama and Seattle Seahawks star running back).

HALFTIME QUOTES FROM THE FIELD

From interviews with television and radio.

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FIRST QUARTER OFFENSE: Alabama collected 224 yards of offense over the opening 15:00 of the game for an average of 8.96 yards per play.

FOURTH DOWN CONVERSION: The Crimson Tide went 2-for-2 on fourth down, both of which were wildcat conversions to Josh Jacobs.

TIDE CONTROLLING TIME OF POSSESSION: Alabama controlled the play clock in the first half, using 19:26 compared to the Tigers' 10:34.