

BY THE NUMBERS...

60,437 – Attendance on Saturday at Caesars Superdome, including an estimated 30,000 K-State fans.

5,863 – Total offensive yards this season by K-State, which ranks second in school history.

2,947 – Passing yards this season by K-State, which ranks sixth in school history.

2,916 – Rushing yards this season by K-State, which ranks fourth in school history.

1,558 – Rushing yards this season by **Deuce Vaughn**, who finished third in school history.

452 – Total points scored by the Wildcats this season, which ranks seventh in school history.

245 – Completions this season by K-State, which ranks fourth in school history.

279 – Rushing yards by **Deuce Vaughn** in his two career bowl games, which is tops in school bowl history.

88 – Distance of a **Deuce Vaughn** touchdown in the first quarter, the longest rush in K-State bowl history, tied for the longest overall play in school bowl history and the second longest rush in Sugar Bowl history.

43 – Rushing attempts by **Deuce Vaughn** in his two career bowl games, which ranks third in school bowl history.

10 – Tackles by **VJ Payne**, a new career high and tied for the 10th most by a Wildcat in school bowl history.

9 – Number of 100-yard rushing games this year by **Deuce Vaughn**, which is tied for the second most in school history.

2 – Field goals made by **Ty Zentner**, tied for the second most in a bowl game in school history.



December 31, 2022 /// Caesars Superdome /// New Orleans, La. /// Att: 60,437



5/5/5 ALABAMA (11-2/6-2 SEC)..... **45**



9/11/9 K-STATE (10-4/7-2 BIG 12)..... **20**

RECORDS

Saturday was the first meeting ever between K-State and Alabama... The Wildcats fell to 10-14 all-time in bowl games... The Wildcats are now 0-5 all-time in games played in the state of Louisiana, including a 0-2 mark in New Orleans... The Wildcats are now 50-88-5 all-time against current members of the SEC, but 107 of those meetings were against either Missouri or Texas A&M as Big Eight/12 foes.

FINAL OFFENSIVE NUMBERS

The 2022 Wildcat offense ended as one of the best in school history... K-State finished the year with 5,863 total offensive yards to rank second in school history behind the 6,615 yards put up by the 2003 team... The Wildcats averaged 418.8 yards per game to rank fifth in school history... K-State scored 452 points in 2022 to rank seventh in school history... The Wildcats ran 958 offensive plays this season to rank second in program history... K-State's 2,916 rushing yards this season ranked fourth in school history, while its 2,947 passing yards ranked sixth.

DEUUUUUUUUUCE

Deuce Vaughn rushed 22 times for 133 yards and a touchdown... His 133 rushing yards were the fifth most by a Wildcat in school bowl history... Vaughn finished the season with 1,558 rushing yards this year to rank third in school history... It was his ninth 100-yard rushing game this season, which is tied for second in school history and marks the second-straight season Vaughn had nine 100-yard rushing games... He finished the season 1,936 all-purpose yards to rank fifth in school history... In his two bowl games played, Vaughn has 279 rushing yards, the most career rushing yards in K-State bowl history... His 43 career rushing attempts in bowl games rank third in school bowl history.

LONG RUSH

Deuce Vaughn had an 88-yard touchdown run in the first quarter... It was a career-long rush (previous long: 80 yards at Kansas in 2021), the second-longest rush in Sugar Bowl history (92 yards by Ole Miss' Raymond Brown vs. Texas in 1958), the longest rush in K-State bowl history (previous long: 68 yards by Alex Delton vs. UCLA in 2017 Cactus Bowl) and tied for the longest overall play in school bowl history (88 yards, Michael Bishop to Darnell McDonald vs. Purdue in 1998 Alamo Bowl)... It was also the sixth-longest rush in school history and the longest since John Hubert went 95 yards against Missouri State in 2012... It was the longest rush given up by Alabama in the last 20 years.

A BRIGHT FUTURE

True freshman **VJ Payne** carded 10 tackles, which included his first-career sack... His 10 tackles were a season best and tied for the 10th most by a Wildcat in school bowl history.