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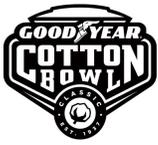


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Attendance

AT&T Stadium, Arlington, Texas
December 29, 2017



Scoring Summary (Final)
82nd Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic
#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

USC (11-3) vs. OSU (12-2)

Date: Dec 29, 2017 • Site: Arlington, Texas • Stadium: AT&T Stadium

Attendance: 67510

Score by Quarters	1	2	3	4	Total
USC	0	7	0	0	7
OSU	7	17	0	0	24

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	12:25	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 1 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 5-19 1:12	0 - 7
2nd	14:55	OSU - Nuernberger, Sean 26 yd field goal, 13-83 5:06	0 - 10
	14:42	OSU - Webb, Damon 23 yd interception return (Nuernberger, Sean kick)	0 - 17
	05:27	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 28 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 2-59 0:45	0 - 24
	01:59	USC - Jones, Ronald 1 yd run (McGrath, Chase kick), 3-15 0:56	7 - 24

Kickoff time: 7:40 pm • End of Game: 11:16 pm • Total elapsed time: 3:36

Officials: Referee: David Smith; Umpire: Russ Pulley; Linesman: Johnny Crawford;

Line judge: Mike Taylor; Back judge: Grantis Bell; Field judge: J Taylor;

Side judge: Rob Skelton; Center judge: Lee Hedrick;

Temperature: 72 • Wind: • Weather: indoors



Team Statistics (Final)
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	USC	OSU
FIRST DOWNS	23	13
Rushing	5	6
Passing	16	5
Penalty	2	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	57	163
Rushing Attempts	36	38
Average Per Rush	1.6	4.3
Rushing Touchdowns	1	2
Yards Gained Rushing	113	187
Yards Lost Rushing	56	24
NET YARDS PASSING	356	114
Completions-Attempts-Int	26-45-1	11-17-0
Average Per Attempt	7.9	6.7
Average Per Completion	13.7	10.4
Passing Touchdowns	0	0
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	413	277
Total offense plays	81	55
Average Gain Per Play	5.1	5.0
Fumbles: Number-Lost	3-3	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	3-35	3-30
PUNTS-YARDS	6-206	7-321
Average Yards Per Punt	34.3	45.9
Net Yards Per Punt	34.2	42.7
Inside 20	4	3
50+ Yards	1	2
Touchbacks	0	1
Fair catch	3	2
KICKOFFS-YARDS	2-107	5-314
Average Yards Per Kickoff	53.5	62.8
Net Yards Per Kickoff	41.0	47.2
Touchbacks	1	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	2-2-0	1-1-0
Average Per Return	1.0	1.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yds-TD	5-78-0	0-0-0
Average Per Return	15.6	0.0
Interceptions: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	1-23-1
Fumble Returns: Number-Yds-TD	0-0-0	3-34-0
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	34:56	25:04
1st Quarter	6:13	8:47
2nd Quarter	11:27	3:33
3rd Quarter	7:25	7:35
4th Quarter	9:51	5:09
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 19	2 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 3	1 of 2
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	1-4	2-2
Touchdowns	1-4	1-2
Field goals	0-4	1-2
Sacks By: Number-Yards	3-22	8-47
PAT Kicks	1-1	3-3
Field Goals	0-1	1-1
Points off turnovers	7	21



Individual Statistics (Final)
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USC

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Jones, Ronald	19	72	8	64	1	17	3.4
Ware, Aca'Cedric	3	13	4	9	0	13	3.0
Malepeai, Vavae	1	2	0	2	0	2	2.0
Carr, Stephen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Darnold, Sam	11	26	44	-18	0	14	-1.6
Totals	36	113	56	57	1	17	1.6

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Darnold, Sam	26-45-1	356	0	37	8
Totals	26-45-1	356	0	37	8

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Burnett, Deontay	12	139	0	25
Vaughns, Tyler	6	119	0	37
Pittman, Michael	3	69	0	32
Imatorbhebhe, Daniel	2	25	0	14
Malepeai, Vavae	1	3	0	3
Petite, Tyler	1	2	0	2
Carr, Stephen	1	-1	0	0
Totals	26	356	0	37

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Budrovich, Reid	6	206	34.3	52	4	0
Totals	6	206	34.3	52	4	0

Returns	Punt			Kickoff			Intercept		
	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg
Harris, Ajene	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jones, Velus	0	0	0	5	78	28	0	0	0
Totals	2	2	1	5	78	28	0	0	0

Field goals	Qtr	Time	Dist	Result
McGrath, Chase	4th	13:03	28 yards	Missed

Kickoffs	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB
McGrath, Chase	2	107	53.5	1	1

All-purpose	Run	Rcv	KR	PR	IR	Total
Burnett, Deontay	0	139	0	0	0	139
Vaughns, Tyler	0	119	0	0	0	119
Jones, Velus	0	0	78	0	0	78
Pittman, Michael	0	69	0	0	0	69

OSU

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Barrett, J.T.	16	88	22	66	2	28	4.1
Campbell, Parris	3	42	0	42	0	21	14.0
Dobbins, J.K.	13	39	0	39	0	7	3.0
Weber, Mike	5	18	0	18	0	7	3.6
TEAM	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2.0
Totals	38	187	24	163	2	28	4.3

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Barrett, J.T.	11-17-0	114	0	33	3
Totals	11-17-0	114	0	33	3

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Baugh, Marcus	4	40	0	20
Mack, Austin	3	56	0	33
Weber, Mike	1	16	0	16
Hill, K.J.	1	3	0	3
McLaurin, Terry	1	2	0	2
Campbell, Parris	1	-3	0	0
Totals	11	114	0	33

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Chrisman, Drue	7	321	45.9	54	3	1
Totals	7	321	45.9	54	3	1

Returns	Punt			Kickoff			Intercept		
	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg	No	Yds	Lg
Hill, K.J.	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Webb, Damon	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	23	23
Totals	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	23	23

Field goals	Qtr	Time	Dist	Result
Nuernerger, Sean	2nd	14:55	26 yards	Good

Kickoffs	No.	Yards	Avg	TB	OB
Haubeil, Blake	5	314	62.8	0	0

All-purpose	Run	Rcv	KR	PR	IR	Total
Barrett, J.T.	66	0	0	0	0	66
Mack, Austin	0	56	0	0	0	56
Baugh, Marcus	0	40	0	0	0	40
Dobbins, J.K.	39	0	0	0	0	39

FUMBLES: USC-Darnold, Sam 2-2; Burnett, Deontay 1-1. OSU-Hill, K.J. 1-1.



Defensive Statistics (Final)
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#	USC	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks-Yds	TFL-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	Blks	QBH
35	Smith, Cameron	6	4	10	-	1.0-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	Houston, John	2	6	8	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
24	Langley, Isaiah	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	Hawkins, Chris	3	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Tell, Marvell	2	4	6	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-
8	Marshall, Iman	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	Nwosu, Uchenna	4	0	4	2.0-16	2.0-16	-	-	-	-	-	1
27	Harris, Ajene	3	1	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
94	Green, Rasheem	1	3	4	1.0-6	1.0-6	-	-	-	-	-	-
98	Fatu, Josh	1	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	Iosefa, Jordan	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0F	Pittman, Michael	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2A	Vaughns, Tyler	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5J	Lobendahn, Toa	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Lopes, Matt	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
44	Dorton, Malik	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Totals		34	28	62	3.0-22	4.0-25	0	1-0	0-0	1	0	3

#	OSU	Solo	Ast	Total	Sacks-Yds	TFL-Yds	FF	FR-Yds	Int-Yds	BrUp	Blks	QBH
4	Fuller, Jordan	8	2	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Borland, Tuf	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
39	Harrison, Malik	3	3	6	0.5-3	0.5-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Webb, Damon	5	0	5	-	-	-	1-20	1-23	-	-	-
3	Arnette, Damon	4	1	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
59	Lewis, Tyquan	3	2	5	1.0-4	2.0-6	1	-	-	-	-	1
17	Baker, Jerome	3	2	5	0.5-4	1.5-5	-	1-13	-	-	-	-
0A	Okudah, Jeffrey	4	0	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	Holmes, Jalyn	3	1	4	1.0-5	1.0-5	1	-	-	1	-	-
6	Hubbard, Sam	3	1	4	2.5-16	3.5-18	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	Sheffield, Kendall	3	0	3	-	1.0-1	1	-	-	4	-	-
35	Worley, Chris	2	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
67	Landers, Robert	2	0	2	-	1.0-4	-	1-1	-	-	-	-
36	Turnure, Zach	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
97	Bosa, Nick	1	1	2	1.5-10	1.5-10	-	-	-	-	-	1
47	Hilliard, Justin	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
21	Campbell, Parris	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0E	Cornell, Jashon	1	0	1	-	1.0-3	-	-	-	-	-	-
95	Haubeil, Blake	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
0B	Young, Chase	1	0	1	1.0-5	1.0-5	-	-	-	-	-	-
1B	Mack, Austin	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
83	McLaurin, Terry	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Browning, Baron	0	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
93	Sprinkle, Tracy	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Totals		56	18	74	8.0-47	14.0-60	3	3-34	1-23	6	0	3



Drive Chart (By Team) (Final)
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Team	Qtr	Spot	Drive Started		Drive Ended			Consumed	
			Time	Obtained	Spot	Time	How lost	PI - Yds	TOP
USC	1st	U14	15:00	Kickoff	U39	13:37	Fumble	3 - 25	1:23
USC		U16	12:19	Kickoff	O45	09:07	Punt	7 - 39	3:12
USC		U38	06:33	Punt	O43	05:01	Punt	4 - 19	1:32
USC	2nd	U18	14:50	Kickoff	U18	14:42	Interception	1 - 0	0:08
USC		U28	14:34	Kickoff	U45	12:48	Punt	4 - 17	1:46
USC		U12	11:05	Punt	O28	06:12	Fumble	10 - 60	4:53
USC		U13	05:23	Kickoff	U34	02:55	Punt	6 - 21	2:28
USC		O15	02:55	Fumble	O00	01:59	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 15	0:56
USC		U06	00:59	Punt	U11	00:00	End of half	3 - 5	0:59
USC	3rd	U42	12:10	Downs	U44	11:06	Punt	3 - 2	1:04
USC		U20	09:03	Punt	O39	04:28	Punt	9 - 41	4:35
USC		U24	01:46	Punt	O10	13:03	Missed FG	8 - 66	3:43
USC	4th	U17	09:49	Punt	O13	08:04	Fumble	4 - 70	1:45
USC		U29	06:40	Punt	O18	00:31	Downs	17 - 53	6:09

USC	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Half	2nd Half	Total
Time of possession	06:13	11:27	07:25	09:51	17:40	17:16	34:56
3rd down conversions	1-4	2-6	1-3	2-6	3-10	3-9	6-19
Average field position	U22	U27	U28	U23	U25	U26	U25
4th down conversions	0-0	0-0	0-0	2-3	0-0	2-3	2-3

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OSU	1st	U19	13:37	Fumble	U00	12:25	*TOUCHDOWN	5 - 19	1:12
OSU		O10	09:07	Punt	O17	06:33	Punt	5 - 7	2:34
OSU		O08	05:01	Punt	U09	14:55	*FIELD GOAL	13 - 83	5:06
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OSU		O41	06:12	Fumble	U00	05:27	*TOUCHDOWN	2 - 59	0:45
OSU		O14	00:00	Punt	O15	02:55	Fumble	0 - 1	0:00
OSU		O35	01:59	Kickoff	U49	00:59	Punt	4 - 16	1:00
OSU	3rd	O25	15:00	Kickoff	U42	12:10	Downs	6 - 33	2:50
OSU		O25	11:06	Punt	O46	09:03	Punt	4 - 21	2:03
OSU		O15	04:28	Punt	O42	01:46	Punt	5 - 27	2:42
OSU	4th	O20	13:03	Missed FG	O41	09:49	Punt	5 - 21	3:14
OSU		O14	08:04	Fumble	O23	06:40	Punt	3 - 9	1:24
OSU		O18	00:31	Downs	O16	00:00	End of half	1 - (2)	0:31

OSU	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	1st Half	2nd Half	Total
Time of possession	08:47	03:33	07:35	05:09	12:20	12:44	25:04
3rd down conversions	2-5	0-2	0-3	0-2	2-7	0-5	2-12
Average field position	O33	O34	O21	O17	O33	O19	O26
4th down conversions	1-1	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-1	0-1	1-2



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OSU		O26	12:48	Punt	O35	11:05	Punt	3 - 9	1:43
USC		U12	11:05	Punt	O28	06:12	Fumble	10 - 60	4:53
OSU		O41	06:12	Fumble	U00	05:27	*TOUCHDOWN	2 - 59	0:45
USC		U13	05:23	Kickoff	U34	02:55	Punt	6 - 21	2:28
OSU		O14	00:00	Punt	O15	02:55	Fumble	0 - 1	0:00
USC		O15	02:55	Fumble	O00	01:59	*TOUCHDOWN	3 - 15	0:56
OSU		O35	01:59	Kickoff	U49	00:59	Punt	4 - 16	1:00
USC		U06	00:59	Punt	U11	00:00	End of half	3 - 5	0:59
OSU	3rd	O25	15:00	Kickoff	U42	12:10	Downs	6 - 33	2:50
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USC

Pos	##	OFFENSE
WR	2A	Vaughns, Tyler
TE	82	Petite, Tyler
TE	88	Imatorbhebhe, Daniel
RT	70	Edoga, Chuma
RG	72	Voorhees, Andrew
C	74	Falah, Nico
LG	77	Brown, Chris
LT	5J	Lobendahn, Toa
WR	0F	Pittman, Michael
QB	1D	Darnold, Sam
RB	2E	Jones, Ronald

Pos	##	DEFENSE
OLB	42	Nwosu, Uchenna
DE	94	Green, Rasheem
NT	98	Fatu, Josh
OLB	56	Iosefa, Jordan
ILB	35	Smith, Cameron
ILB	10	Houston, John
CB	8	Marshall, Iman
NK	27	Harris, Ajene
SS	4	Hawkins, Chris
FS	7	Tell, Marvell
CB	24	Langley, Isaiah

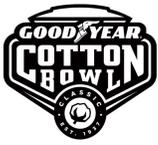
OSU

Pos	##	OFFENSE
LT	74	Jones, Jamarco
LG	73	Jordan, Michael
C	54	Price, Billy
RG	78	Knox, Demetrius
RT	59	Lewis, Tyquan
TE	85	Baugh, Marcus
QB	16	Barrett, J.T.
RB	2	Dobbins, J.K.
HB	21	Campbell, Parris
WR	1B	Mack, Austin
WR	83	McLaurin, Terry

Pos	##	DEFENSE
DE	59	Lewis, Tyquan
DT	93	Sprinkle, Tracy
DT	86	Jones, Dre'Mont
DE	6	Hubbard, Sam
LB	33	Booker, Dante
MLB	32	Borland, Tuf
LB	17	Baker, Jerome
CB	12	Ward, Denzel
S	7	Webb, Damon
S	4	Fuller, Jordan
CB	8	Sheffield, Kendall

USC: 0D-Mitchell, Steven, 0G-Carr, Stephen, 1-Lewis, Joseph, 2H-Ware, Aca'Cedric, 2-Bolden, Bubba, 4F-Budrovich, Reid, 4G-Peters, Reuben, 5F-Austin, Jordan, 13-Jones, Levi, 17-Imatorbhebhe, Josh, 21-Cook, Jamel, 23-Jones, Velus, 25-Jones, Jack, 29-Malepeai, Vavae, 37-Lopes, Matt, 40-McGrath, Chase, 41-Falaniko, Juliano, 44-Dorton, Malik, 46-Schmidt, Wyatt, 58-Johnson, Damon, 63-Hemsley, Roy, 73-Jackson, Austin, 80-Burnett, Deontay, 83-Falo, Josh, 84-Krommenhoek, Erik, 89-Rector, Christian, 90-Murphy, Connor, 91-Pili, Brandon, 93-Jimmons, Liam.

OSU: 0E-Cornell, Jashon, 0A-Okudah, Jeffrey, 0B-Young, Chase, 1A-Riep, Amir, 1-Dixon, Johnnie, 2A-Williamson, Marcus, 3-Arnette, Damon, 5-Browning, Baron, 5A-Prince, Isaiah, 9-Victor, Binjimen, 11-Holmes, Jalyn, 13-Berry, Rashod, 14-Hill, K.J., 18-Cooper, Jonathon, 20-Werner, Pete, 25-Weber, Mike, 26-Williams, Antonio, 34-Smith, Erick, 35-Worley, Chris, 36-Turnure, Zach, 37-Backenstoe, Alex, 39-Harrison, Malik, 47-Hilliard, Justin, 49-McCullough, Liam, 55-Barrow, Malik, 63-Woidke, Kevin, 66-Pridgeon, Malcolm, 67-Landers, Robert, 69-Burrell, Matthew, 77-Hill, Michael, 80-Saunders, C.J., 89-Farrell, Luke, 91-Chrisman, Drue, 95-Haubeil, Blake, 96-Nuernberger, Sean, 97-Bosa, Nick.



Play-by-Play Summary (1st quarter)

#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

Ohio State wins toss: defers. USC will receive and defend east goal.

- 1-10 USC 35 OSU ball on OSU35.
Haubeil, Blake kickoff 63 yards to the USC2, Jones, Velus return 12 yards to the USC14 (Hilliard, J.).
 - 1-10 USC 14 Jones, Ronald rush for 1 yard to the USC15 (Webb, Damon).
 - 2-9 USC 15 Jones, Ronald rush for 3 yards to the USC18 (Harrison, Malik).
 - 3-6 USC 18 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 16 yards to the USC34, fumble forced by Sheffield, K., fumble by Burnett, Deonta recovered by OSU Webb, Damon at USC39, Webb, Damon for 20 yards to the USC19, out-of-bounds (Vaughns, Tyler).
- 3 plays, 25 yards, 1:23*

OSU drive start at 13:37, OSU ball on USC19.

- 1-10 USC 19 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 4 yards to the USC15 (Marshall, Iman).
- 2-6 USC 15 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Mack, Austin.
- 3-6 USC 15 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Baugh, Marcus for 9 yards to the USC6, 1ST DOWN OSU (Houston, John;Hawkins, Chris) P1
- 1-G USC 06 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 5 yards to the USC1 (Hawkins, Chris;Tell, Marvell).
- 2-G USC 01 Barrett, J.T. rush for 1 yard to the USC0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 12:25.
- 1-G USC 03 Nuernberger, S. kick attempt good.

OSU 7, USC 0

5 plays, 19 yards, 1:18

Haubeil, Blake kickoff 62 yards to the USC3, Jones, Velus return 13 yards to the USC16 (Browning, Baron;Turnure, Zach).

USC drive start at 12:19.

- 1-10 USC 16 Jones, Ronald rush for 6 yards to the USC22 (Borland, Tuf).
- 2-4 USC 22 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Petite, Tyler, QB hurry by Sprinkle, Tracy.
- 3-4 USC 22 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 14 yards to the USC36, 1ST DOWN USC (Okudah, Jeffrey) P1
- 1-10 USC 36 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 27 yards to the OSU37, 1ST DOWN USC, out-of-bounds (Arnette, Damon) P2
- 1-10 OSU 37 Jones, Ronald rush for loss of 1 yard to the OSU38 (Baker, Jerome).
- 2-11 OSU 38 Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 7 yards to the OSU45 (Bosa, Nick).
- 3-18 OSU 45 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Mitchell, Steve.
- 4-18 OSU 45 Budrovich, Reid punt 35 yards to the OSU10, fair catch by Hill, K.J..

7 plays, 39 yards, 3:12

OSU drive start at 09:07.

- 1-10 OSU 10 Campbell, P. rush for 6 yards to the OSU16 (Marshall, Iman).
- 2-4 OSU 16 Weber, Mike rush for 7 yards to the OSU23, 1ST DOWN OSU (Marshall, Iman) R2
- 1-10 OSU 23 Weber, Mike rush for 1 yard to the OSU24 (Marshall, Iman).
- 2-9 OSU 24 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Baugh, Marcus (Houston, John), QB hurry by Dorton, Malik.
- 3-9 OSU 24 Barrett, J.T. sacked for loss of 7 yards to the OSU17 (Nwosu, Uchenna).
- 4-16 OSU 17 Chrisman, Drue punt 45 yards to the USC38, fair catch by Harris, Ajene.

5 plays, 7 yards, 2:34

USC drive start at 06:33.

- 1-10 USC 38 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 14 yards to the OSU48, 1ST DOWN USC (Webb, Damon) P3
- 1-10 OSU 48 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Lewis, Joseph (Holmes, Jalyn).
- 2-10 OSU 48 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 5 yards to the OSU43 (Sheffield, K.).
- 3-5 OSU 43 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta (Sheffield, K.).
- 4-5 OSU 43 Budrovich, Reid punt 35 yards to the OSU8, fair catch by Hill, K.J..

4 plays, 19 yards, 1:32

OSU drive start at 05:01.

- 1-10 OSU 08 Barrett, J.T. rush for 1 yard to the OSU9 (Green, Rasheem;Smith, Cameron).
- 2-9 OSU 09 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 1 yard to the OSU10 (Houston, John).
- 3-8 OSU 10 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Mack, Austin for 33 yards to the OSU43, 1ST DOWN OSU (Langley, Isaiah;Marshall, Iman) P3
- 1-10 OSU 43 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 2 yards to the OSU45 (Houston, John;Fatu, Josh).
- 2-8 OSU 45 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Mack, Austin for 15 yards to the USC40, 1ST DOWN OSU (Langley, Isaiah) P4
- 1-10 USC 40 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 3 yards to the USC37 (Houston, John;Fatu, Josh).
- 2-7 USC 37 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Berry, Rashod, QB hurry by Lopes, Matt.
- 3-7 USC 37 PENALTY OSU delay of game (Barrett, J.T.) 5 yards to the USC42.
- 3-12 USC 42 Barrett, J.T. rush for 10 yards to the USC32, out-of-bounds (Hawkins, Chris;Houston, John).
- 4-2 USC 32 Barrett, J.T. rush for 16 yards to the USC16, 1ST DOWN OSU (Langley, Isaiah;Tell, Marvell) R5
- 1-10 USC 16 Weber, Mike rush for 3 yards to the USC13 (Fatu, Josh).
- 2-7 USC 13 Barrett, J.T. rush for no gain to the USC13 (Nwosu, Uchenna).
- 3-7 USC 13 Barrett, J.T. rush for 4 yards to the USC9 (Smith, Cameron;Green, Rasheem).

END OF 1st QUARTER: OSU 7, USC 0



Play-by-Play Summary (1st quarter)
#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

Quarter	Summary	Score	Time Poss	1st Downs				Conversions		Rushing	Passing	Penalties
				R	P	X	T	3rd	4th			
USC		0	06:07	0	3	0	3	1-4	0-0	5-2	5-9-0-81	0-0
OSU		7	08:53	2	3	0	5	1-2	0-0	16-57	3-6-0-57	1-5



Quickie Statistics (1st quarter)
 #8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

	USC	OSU
Score	0	7
FIRST DOWNS	3	5
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	5-2	16-57
PASSING YDS (NET)	81	57
Passes Att-Comp-Int	9-5-0	6-3-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	14-83	22-114
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	1-20
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Kickoff Returns-Yards	2-25	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	0-0
Punts (Number-Avg)	2-35.0	1-45.0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	0-0	1-5
Possession Time	06:07	08:53
Third-Down Conversions	1 of 4	2 of 5
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1

USC

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Jones, Ronald	4	10	1	9	0	6	2.2
Darnold, Sam	1	0	7	-7	0	0	-7.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Darnold, Sam	5-9-0	81	0	27	1

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Vaughns, Tyler	3	46	0	27
Burnett, Deontay	2	35	0	16

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Budrovich, Reid	2	70	35.0	35	2	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jones, Velus	2	25	0	13

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Marshall, Iman	4-1	5	0.0	0.0
Houston, John	1-4	5	0.0	0.0
Fatu, Josh	1-2	3	0.0	0.0
Langley, Isaiah	1-2	3	0.0	0.0

OSU

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Barrett, J.T.	7	32	7	25	1	16	3.6
Dobbins, J.K.	5	15	0	15	0	5	3.0
Weber, Mike	3	11	0	11	0	7	3.7
Campbell, Parris	1	6	0	6	0	6	6.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Barrett, J.T.	3-6-0	57	0	33	1

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Mack, Austin	2	48	0	33
Baugh, Marcus	1	9	0	9

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Chrisman, Drue	1	45	45.0	45	0	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Webb, Damon	2-0	2	0.0	0.0
Sheffield, Kendall	2-0	2	0.0	0.0
Borland, Tuf	1-0	1	0.0	0.0
Bosa, Nick	1-0	1	1.0	1.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	12:25	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 1 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 5-19 1:18	0 - 7



Play-by-Play Summary (2nd quarter)

#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

4-3 USC 09 Start of 2nd quarter, clock 15:00.
 4-3 USC 09 Nuernberger, S. field goal attempt from 26 GOOD, clock 14:55.

OSU 10, USC 0

13 plays, 83 yards, 5:11

Haubeil, Blake kickoff 65 yards to the USC0, Jones, Velus return 18 yards to the USC18 (Mack, Austin).

USC drive start at 14:50.

1-10 USC 18 Darnold, Sam pass intercepted by Webb, Damon at the USC23, Webb, Damon return 23 yards to the USC0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 14:42.

1 play, 0 yards, 0:08

1-G USC 03 Nuernberger, S. kick attempt good.

OSU 17, USC 0

Haubeil, Blake kickoff 65 yards to the USC0, Jones, Velus return 28 yards to the USC28 (Haubeil, Blake).

USC drive start at 14:34.

1-10 USC 28 Jones, Ronald rush for 17 yards to the USC45, 1ST DOWN USC (Arnette, Damon; Fuller, Jordan) R4

1-10 USC 45 Jones, Ronald rush for 4 yards to the USC49 (Holmes, Jalyn).

2-6 USC 49 Jones, Ronald rush for loss of 4 yards to the USC45 (Landers, Robert).

3-10 USC 45 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Pittman, Michae.

4-10 USC 45 Budrovich, Reid punt 29 yards to the OSU26, out-of-bounds.

4 plays, 17 yards, 1:46

OSU drive start at 12:48.

1-10 OSU 26 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 7 yards to the OSU33 (Tell, Marvell).

2-3 OSU 33 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Baugh, Marcus for 2 yards to the OSU35, out-of-bounds (Smith, Cameron).

3-1 OSU 35 Dobbins, J.K. rush for no gain to the OSU35 (Smith, Cameron; Houston, John).

4-1 OSU 35 Timeout OSU, clock 11:13.

4-1 OSU 35 Chrisman, Drue punt 53 yards to the USC12, fair catch by Harris, Ajene.

3 plays, 9 yards, 1:43

USC drive start at 11:05.

1-10 USC 12 Jones, Ronald rush for 5 yards to the USC17 (Fuller, Jordan).

2-5 USC 17 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta.

3-5 USC 17 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 5 yards to the USC22, 1ST DOWN USC (Arnette, Damon) P5

1-10 USC 22 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Pittman, Michae for 20 yards to the USC42, 1ST DOWN USC (Arnette, Damon) P6

1-10 USC 42 Malepeai, Vavae rush for 2 yards to the USC44 (Borland, Tuf).

2-8 USC 44 Darnold, Sam rush for 14 yards to the OSU42, 1ST DOWN USC (Okudah, Jeffrey) R7

1-10 OSU 42 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 14 yards to the OSU28, 1ST DOWN USC (Fuller, Jordan) P8

1-10 OSU 28 Carr, Stephen rush for no gain to the OSU28 (Borland, Tuf).

2-10 OSU 28 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 5 yards to the OSU23 (Fuller, Jordan).

3-5 OSU 23 Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 4 yards to the OSU27 (Lewis, Tyquan), fumble by Darnold, Sam recovered by OSU Baker, Jerome at OSU28, Baker, Jerome for 13 yards to the OSU41 (Pittman, Michae).

10 plays, 60 yards, 4:53

OSU drive start at 06:12, OSU ball on OSU41.

1-10 OSU 41 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Weber, Mike for 16 yards to the USC43, 1ST DOWN OSU (Langley, Isaiah), PENALTY USC face mask (Langley, Isaiah) 15 yards to the USC28, 1ST DOWN OSU X7

1-10 USC 28 1st and 10.

1-10 USC 28 Timeout OSU, clock 05:36.

1-10 USC 28 Barrett, J.T. rush for 28 yards to the USC0, 1ST DOWN OSU, TOUCHDOWN, clock 05:27. R8

1-G USC 03 Nuernberger, S. kick attempt good.

OSU 24, USC 0

2 plays, 59 yards, 0:49

Haubeil, Blake kickoff 59 yards to the USC6, Jones, Velus return 7 yards to the USC13 (Turnure, Zach).

USC drive start at 05:23.

1-10 USC 13 Jones, Ronald rush for loss of 3 yards to the USC10 (Cornell, Jashon).

2-13 USC 10 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Petite, Tyler.

3-13 USC 10 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Pittman, Michae for 32 yards to the USC42, 1ST DOWN USC. P9

1-10 USC 42 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Mitchell, Steve (Worley, Chris).

2-10 USC 42 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Carr, Stephen for loss of 1 yard to the USC41, out-of-bounds (Sheffield, K.).

3-11 USC 41 Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 7 yards to the USC34 (Baker, Jerome; Hubbard, Sam).

4-18 USC 34 Budrovich, Reid punt 52 yards to the OSU14, Hill, K.J. return 0 yards to the OSU14, fumble by Hill, K.J. recovered by USC Tell, Marvell at OSU15.



Play-by-Play Summary (2nd quarter)

#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

6 plays, 21 yards, 2:28

USC drive start at 02:55.

- 1-10 OSU 15 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Imatorbhebe, D for 14 yards to the OSU1, 1ST DOWN USC, P10
out-of-bounds (Okudah, Jeffrey).
- 1-G OSU 01 Carr, Stephen rush for no gain to the OSU1 (Borland, Tuf).
- 2-G OSU 01 Timeout USC, clock 02:04.
- 2-G OSU 01 Jones, Ronald rush for 1 yard to the OSU0, TOUCHDOWN, clock 01:59.
- 1-G OSU 03 McGrath, Chase kick attempt good.

OSU 24, USC 7

3 plays, 15 yards, 0:56

McGrath, Chase kickoff 42 yards to the OSU23, out-of-bounds, OSU ball on OSU35.

OSU drive start at 01:59.

- 1-10 OSU 35 Campbell, P. rush for 15 yards to the 50 yardline, 1ST DOWN OSU (Tell, Marvell). R9
- 1-10 OSU 50 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Dixon, Johnnie.
- 2-10 OSU 50 Barrett, J.T. rush for 7 yards to the USC43 (Hawkins, Chris).
- 3-3 USC 43 Barrett, J.T. sacked for loss of 6 yards to the USC49 (Green, Rasheem).
- 4-9 USC 49 Timeout USC, clock 01:08.
- 4-9 USC 49 Chrisman, Drue punt 43 yards to the USC6, downed.

4 plays, 16 yards, 1:00

USC drive start at 00:59.

- 1-10 USC 06 PENALTY USC unsportsmanlike conduct off-setting, PENALTY OSU unsportsmanlike conduct
off-setting, NO PLAY.
- 1-10 USC 06 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Malepeai, Vavae, QB hurry by Bosa, Nick.
- 2-10 USC 06 Jones, Ronald rush for 4 yards to the USC10 (Lewis, Tyquan).
- 3-6 USC 10 Timeout OSU, clock 00:36.
- 3-6 USC 10 Jones, Ronald rush for 1 yard to the USC11 (Lewis, Tyquan; Harrison, Malik).
End of half, clock 00:00.

3 plays, 5 yards, 0:59

END OF 2nd QUARTER: OSU 24, USC 7

Quarter Summary	Score	Time Poss	1st Downs				Conversions		Rushing	Passing	Penalties
			R	P	X	T	3rd	4th			
USC	7	11:10	2	5	0	7	2-6	0-0	14-29	7-13-1-89	1-15
OSU	17	03:42	2	1	1	4	0-2	0-0	6-51	2-3-0-18	0-0



Quickie Statistics (Halftime)
#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

	USC	OSU
Score	7	24
FIRST DOWNS	10	9
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	19-31	22-108
PASSING YDS (NET)	170	75
Passes Att-Comp-Int	22-12-1	9-5-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	41-201	31-183
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	2-33
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-78	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-23
Punts (Number-Avg)	4-37.8	3-47.0
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	1-15	1-5
Possession Time	17:17	12:35
Third-Down Conversions	3 of 10	2 of 7
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 1

USC

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Jones, Ronald	12	42	8	34	1	17	2.8
Malepeai, Vavae	1	2	0	2	0	2	2.0
Carr, Stephen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0
Darnold, Sam	4	14	19	-5	0	14	-1.2

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Darnold, Sam	12-22-1	170	0	32	3

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Burnett, Deontay	5	59	0	16
Vaughns, Tyler	3	46	0	27
Pittman, Michael	2	52	0	32
Imatorbhebe, Daniel	1	14	0	14

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Budrovich, Reid	4	151	37.8	52	3	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jones, Velus	5	78	0	28

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Houston, John	1-5	6	0.0	0.0
Marshall, Iman	4-1	5	0.0	0.0
Tell, Marvell	2-2	4	0.0	0.0
Langley, Isaiah	2-2	4	0.0	0.0

OSU

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Barrett, J.T.	10	67	13	54	2	28	5.4
Dobbins, J.K.	7	22	0	22	0	7	3.1
Campbell, Parris	2	21	0	21	0	15	10.5
Weber, Mike	3	11	0	11	0	7	3.7

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Barrett, J.T.	5-9-0	75	0	33	2

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Mack, Austin	2	48	0	33
Baugh, Marcus	2	11	0	9
Weber, Mike	1	16	0	16

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Chrisman, Drue	3	141	47.0	53	2	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Hill, K.J.	1	1	0	0

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Borland, Tuf	4-0	4	0.0	0.0
Fuller, Jordan	3-1	4	0.0	0.0
Arnette, Damon	3-1	4	0.0	0.0
Sheffield, Kendall	3-0	3	0.0	1.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
1st	12:25	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 1 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 5-19 1:18	0 - 7
2nd	14:55	OSU - Nuernberger, Sean 26 yd field goal, 13-83 5:11	0 - 10
	14:42	OSU - Webb, Damon 23 yd interception return (Nuernberger, Sean kick)	0 - 17
	05:27	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 28 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 2-59 0:49	0 - 24
	01:59	USC - Jones, Ronald 1 yd run (McGrath, Chase kick), 3-15 0:56	7 - 24



Play-by-Play Summary (3rd quarter)

#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

Start of 3rd quarter, clock 15:00, USC ball on USC35.
McGrath, Chase kickoff 65 yards to the OSU0, touchback.

OSU drive start at 15:00.

- 1-10 OSU 25 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 3 yards to the OSU28 (Harris, Ajene).
 - 2-7 OSU 28 Campbell, P. rush for 21 yards to the OSU49, 1ST DOWN OSU (Langley, Isaiah). R10
 - 1-10 OSU 49 Dobbins, J.K. rush for no gain to the OSU49 (Smith, Cameron).
 - 2-10 OSU 49 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Mack, Austin for 8 yards to the USC43 (Langley, Isaiah).
 - 3-2 USC 43 Barrett, J.T. rush for 1 yard to the USC42 (Harris, Ajene).
 - 4-1 USC 42 Barrett, J.T. rush for no gain to the USC42 (Green, Rasheem; Iosefa, Jordan).
- 6 plays, 33 yards, 2:50*

USC drive start at 12:10.

- 1-10 USC 42 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta.
 - 2-10 USC 42 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Petite, Tyler for 2 yards to the USC44 (Worley, Chris).
 - 3-8 USC 44 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta, QB hurry by Lewis, Tyquan.
 - 4-8 USC 44 Budrovich, Reid punt 31 yards to the OSU25, fair catch by Hill, K.J..
- 3 plays, 2 yards, 1:04*

OSU drive start at 11:06.

- 1-10 OSU 25 Barrett, J.T. rush for 16 yards to the OSU41, 1ST DOWN OSU (Nwosu, Uchenna). R11
 - 1-10 OSU 41 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Hill, K.J. for 3 yards to the OSU44 (Smith, Cameron).
 - 2-7 OSU 44 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to McLaurin, Terry for 2 yards to the OSU46 (Harris, Ajene).
 - 3-5 OSU 46 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to McLaurin, Terry, QB hurry by Nwosu, Uchenna.
 - 4-5 OSU 46 Chrisman, Drue punt 54 yards to the USC0, touchback.
- 4 plays, 21 yards, 2:03*

USC drive start at 09:03.

- 1-10 USC 20 Jones, Ronald rush for 5 yards to the USC25 (Lewis, Tyquan; Borland, Tuf).
 - 2-5 USC 25 Ware, Aca'Cedri rush for 13 yards to the USC38, 1ST DOWN USC (Fuller, Jordan; Worley, Chris). R11
 - 1-10 USC 38 Ware, Aca'Cedri rush for loss of 2 yards to the USC36 (Hubbard, Sam).
 - 2-12 USC 36 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Pittman, Michae (Sheffield, K.).
 - 3-12 USC 36 PENALTY USC false start (Edoga, Chuma) 5 yards to the USC31.
 - 3-17 USC 31 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 18 yards to the USC49, 1ST DOWN USC (Arnette, Damon). P12
 - 1-10 USC 49 Jones, Ronald rush for 17 yards to the OSU34, 1ST DOWN USC (Fuller, Jordan). R13
 - 1-10 OSU 34 Jones, Ronald rush for 1 yard to the OSU33 (Borland, Tuf; Baker, Jerome).
 - 2-9 OSU 33 Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Mitchell, Steve.
 - 3-9 OSU 33 Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 6 yards to the OSU39 (Hubbard, Sam).
 - 4-15 OSU 39 Budrovich, Reid punt 24 yards to the OSU15, out-of-bounds.
- 9 plays, 41 yards, 4:35*

OSU drive start at 04:28.

- 1-10 OSU 15 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 1 yard to the OSU16 (Harris, Ajene; Smith, Cameron).
 - 2-9 OSU 16 Dobbins, J.K. rush for 5 yards to the OSU21 (Smith, Cameron).
 - 3-4 OSU 21 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Mack, Austin (Jones, Jack), PENALTY USC pass interference (Jones, Jack) 15 yards to the OSU36, 1ST DOWN OSU, NO PLAY. X12
 - 1-10 OSU 36 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Campbell, P. for loss of 3 yards to the OSU33 (Smith, Cameron).
 - 2-13 OSU 33 Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Baugh, Marcus for 9 yards to the OSU42 (Hawkins, Chris).
 - 3-4 OSU 42 Barrett, J.T. pass incomplete to Campbell, P..
 - 4-4 OSU 42 Chrisman, Drue punt 34 yards to the USC24, downed.
- 5 plays, 27 yards, 2:42*

USC drive start at 01:46.

- 1-10 USC 24 Darnold, Sam pass complete to Pittman, Michae for 17 yards to the USC41, 1ST DOWN USC (Okudah, Jeffrey). P14
- 1-10 USC 41 Jones, Ronald rush for 6 yards to the USC47 (Worley, Chris).
- 2-4 USC 47 Jones, Ronald rush for no gain to the USC47 (Landers, Robert).

END OF 3rd QUARTER: OSU 24, USC 7

Quarter Summary	Score	Time Poss	1st Downs				Conversions		Rushing	Passing	Penalties
			R	P	X	T	3rd	4th			
USC	0	07:25	2	2	0	4	1-3	0-0	8-34	3-7-0-37	2-20
OSU	0	07:35	2	0	1	3	0-3	0-1	8-47	5-7-0-19	0-0



Quickie Statistics (3rd quarter)
#8 USC vs #5 OSU (Dec 29, 2017 at Arlington, Texas)

	USC	OSU
Score	7	24
FIRST DOWNS	14	12
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	27-65	30-155
PASSING YDS (NET)	207	94
Passes Att-Comp-Int	29-15-1	16-10-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	56-272	46-249
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	2-33
Punt Returns-Yards	0-0	1-1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-78	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-23
Punts (Number-Avg)	6-34.3	5-45.8
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-35	1-5
Possession Time	24:42	20:10
Third-Down Conversions	4 of 13	2 of 10
Fourth-Down Conversions	0 of 0	1 of 2

USC

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Jones, Ronald	17	71	8	63	1	17	3.7
Ware, Aca'Cedric	2	13	2	11	0	13	5.5
Malepeai, Vavae	1	2	0	2	0	2	2.0
Carr, Stephen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Darnold, Sam	15-29-1	207	0	32	4

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Burnett, Deontay	6	77	0	18
Pittman, Michael	3	69	0	32
Vaughns, Tyler	3	46	0	27
Imatorbhebhe, Daniel	1	14	0	14

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Budrovich, Reid	6	206	34.3	52	4	0

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Jones, Velus	5	78	0	28

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Smith, Cameron	5-4	9	0.0	1.0
Langley, Isaiah	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Houston, John	1-5	6	0.0	0.0
Marshall, Iman	4-1	5	0.0	0.0

OSU

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Barrett, J.T.	13	84	13	71	2	28	5.5
Campbell, Parris	3	42	0	42	0	21	14.0
Dobbins, J.K.	11	31	0	31	0	7	2.8
Weber, Mike	3	11	0	11	0	7	3.7

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Barrett, J.T.	10-16-0	94	0	33	2

Receiving	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Mack, Austin	3	56	0	33
Baugh, Marcus	3	20	0	9
Weber, Mike	1	16	0	16
Hill, K.J.	1	3	0	3

Punting	No.	Yds	Avg	Long	In20	TB
Chrisman, Drue	5	229	45.8	54	2	1

Punt Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long
Hill, K.J.	1	1	0	0

Kick Returns	No.	Yards	TD	Long

Tackles	UA-A	Total	Sacks	TFL
Fuller, Jordan	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Borland, Tuf	4-2	6	0.0	0.0
Arnette, Damon	4-1	5	0.0	0.0
Okudah, Jeffrey	4-0	4	0.0	0.0

Qtr	Time	Scoring Play	V-H
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2nd	14:55	OSU - Nuernberger, Sean 26 yd field goal, 13-83 5:11	0 - 10
	14:42	OSU - Webb, Damon 23 yd interception return (Nuernberger, Sean kick)	0 - 17
	05:27	OSU - Barrett, J.T. 28 yd run (Nuernberger, Sean kick), 2-59 0:49	0 - 24
	01:59	USC - Jones, Ronald 1 yd run (McGrath, Chase kick), 3-15 0:56	7 - 24



Play-by-Play Summary (4th quarter)

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3-4	USC 47	Start of 4th quarter, clock 15:00.	
3-4	USC 47	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 37 yards to the OSU16, 1ST DOWN USC, out-of-bounds.	P15
1-10	OSU 16	Jones, Ronald rush for no gain to the OSU16 (Holmes, Jalyn).	
2-10	OSU 16	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta.	
3-10	OSU 16	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 6 yards to the OSU10 (Baker, Jerome).	
4-4	OSU 10	McGrath, Chase field goal attempt from 28 MISSED - hit right upright, spot at OSU20, clock 13:03.	
<i>8 plays, 66 yards, 3:43</i>			
OSU drive start at 13:03.			
1-10	OSU 20	Weber, Mike rush for 6 yards to the OSU26 (Tell, Marvell;Fatu, Josh).	
2-4	OSU 26	Barrett, J.T. pass complete to Baugh, Marcus for 20 yards to the OSU46, 1ST DOWN OSU.	P13
1-10	OSU 46	Weber, Mike rush for 1 yard to the OSU47 (Smith, Cameron).	
2-9	OSU 47	Barrett, J.T. rush for 3 yards to the 50 yardline (Iosefa, Jordan).	
3-6	OSU 50	Barrett, J.T. sacked for loss of 9 yards to the OSU41 (Nwosu, Uchenna).	
4-15	OSU 41	Timeout OSU, clock 09:59.	
4-15	OSU 41	Chrisman, Drue punt 43 yards to the USC16, Harris, Ajene return 1 yards to the USC17 (Campbell, P.).	
<i>5 plays, 21 yards, 3:14</i>			
USC drive start at 09:49.			
1-10	USC 17	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Mitchell, Steve, PENALTY OSU holding (Sheffield, K.) 10 yards to the USC27, 1ST DOWN USC, NO PLAY.	X16
1-10	USC 27	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 10 yards to the USC37, 1ST DOWN USC (Webb, Damon).	P17
1-10	USC 37	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 6 yards to the USC43 (Fuller, Jordan).	
2-4	USC 43	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Vaughns, Tyler for 30 yards to the OSU27, 1ST DOWN USC.	P18
1-10	OSU 27	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Vaughns, Tyler, PENALTY OSU pass interference (Okudah, Jeffrey) 15 yards to the OSU12, 1ST DOWN USC, NO PLAY.	X19
1-10	OSU 12	Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 5 yards to the OSU17 (Holmes, Jalyn), fumble by Darnold, Sam recovered by OSU Landers, Robert at OSU13, Landers, Robert for 1 yard to the OSU14 (Lobendahn, Toa).	
<i>4 plays, 70 yards, 1:45</i>			
OSU drive start at 08:04, OSU ball on OSU14.			
1-10	OSU 14	Dobbins, J.K. rush for 4 yards to the OSU18 (Tell, Marvell;Houston, John).	
2-6	OSU 18	Dobbins, J.K. rush for 4 yards to the OSU22 (Houston, John).	
3-2	OSU 22	Barrett, J.T. rush for 1 yard to the OSU23 (Hawkins, Chris).	
4-1	OSU 23	Timeout USC, clock 06:50.	
4-1	OSU 23	Chrisman, Drue punt 49 yards to the USC28, Harris, Ajene return 1 yards to the USC29 (McLaurin, Terry).	
<i>3 plays, 9 yards, 1:24</i>			
USC drive start at 06:40.			
1-10	USC 29	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 6 yards to the USC35 (Fuller, Jordan).	
2-4	USC 35	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Pittman, Michae (Sheffield, K.).	
3-4	USC 35	Darnold, Sam rush for 5 yards to the USC40, 1ST DOWN USC (Harrison, Malik;Holmes, Jalyn).	R20
1-10	USC 40	Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 6 yards to the USC34 (Bosa, Nick;Harrison, Malik).	
2-16	USC 34	Jones, Ronald rush for 1 yard to the USC35 (Harrison, Malik).	
3-15	USC 35	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Imatorbhebhe, D for 11 yards to the USC46 (Fuller, Jordan).	
4-4	USC 46	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 7 yards to the OSU47, 1ST DOWN USC (Webb, Damon).	P21
1-10	OSU 47	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Malepeai, Vavae for 3 yards to the OSU44 (Baker, Jerome).	
2-7	OSU 44	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 25 yards to the OSU19, 1ST DOWN USC (Fuller, Jordan).	P22
1-10	OSU 19	Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 5 yards to the OSU24 (Young, Chase).	
2-15	OSU 24	Timeout USC, clock 02:10.	
2-15	OSU 24	Darnold, Sam rush for 7 yards to the OSU17, out-of-bounds (Harrison, Malik), PENALTY USC personal foul off-setting, PENALTY OSU unsportsmanlike conduct off-setting.	
<i>USC's Jamel Cook disqualified for leaving the bench.</i>			
3-8	OSU 17	Timeout OSU, clock 01:55.	
3-8	OSU 17	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Burnett, Deonta.	
4-8	OSU 17	Darnold, Sam pass complete to Burnett, Deonta for 8 yards to the OSU9, 1ST DOWN USC, out-of-bounds (Webb, Damon).	P23
1-G	OSU 09	Ware, Aca'Cedri rush for loss of 2 yards to the OSU11 (Lewis, Tyquan).	
2-G	OSU 11	Timeout USC, clock 01:14.	
2-G	OSU 11	Darnold, Sam sacked for loss of 7 yards to the OSU18 (Hubbard, Sam).	
3-G	OSU 18	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Pittman, Michae (Sheffield, K.).	
4-G	OSU 18	Darnold, Sam pass incomplete to Vaughns, Tyler.	
<i>17 plays, 53 yards, 6:09</i>			
OSU drive start at 00:31.			
1-10	OSU 18	TEAM rush for loss of 2 yards to the OSU16.	



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End of game, clock 00:00.

1 play, minus 2 yards, 0:31

FINAL SCORE: OSU 24, USC 7

Quarter Summary	Score	Time Poss	1st Downs				Conversions		Rushing	Passing	Penalties
			R	P	X	T	3rd	4th			
USC	0	09:51	1	6	2	9	2-6	2-3	9-(-8)	11-16-0-149	0-0
OSU	0	05:09	0	1	0	1	0-2	0-0	8-8	1-1-0-20	2-25



Quickie Statistics (4th quarter)
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	USC	OSU
Score	7	24
FIRST DOWNS	23	13
RUSHES-YARDS (NET)	36-57	38-163
PASSING YDS (NET)	356	114
Passes Att-Comp-Int	45-26-1	17-11-0
TOTAL OFFENSE PLAYS-YARDS	81-413	55-277
Fumble Returns-Yards	0-0	3-34
Punt Returns-Yards	2-2	1-1
Kickoff Returns-Yards	5-78	0-0
Interception Returns-Yards	0-0	1-23
Punts (Number-Avg)	6-34.3	7-45.9
Fumbles-Lost	3-3	1-1
Penalties-Yards	3-35	3-30
Possession Time	34:33	25:19
Third-Down Conversions	6 of 19	2 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	2 of 3	1 of 2

USC

Rushing	No.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Lg	Avg
Jones, Ronald	19	72	8	64	1	17	3.4
Ware, Aca'Cedric	3	13	4	9	0	13	3.0
Malepeai, Vavae	1	2	0	2	0	2	2.0
Carr, Stephen	2	0	0	0	0	0	0.0

Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	Sack
Darnold, Sam	26-45-1	356	0	37	8

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Burnett, Deontay	12	139	0	25
Vaughns, Tyler	6	119	0	37
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Individual Game Records:

USC wide receiver Deonta Burnett set a Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic record for receptions in a game with 12 catches for 139 yards. The previous record for receptions in a game was held by Rashaun Woods of Oklahoma State who had 11 receptions (223 yards) vs. Ole Miss in 2004.

Ohio State defensive back Kyle Sheffield tied a Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic record with four pass break ups, tying four other players. The last to have four pass break ups in a single Cotton Bowl game was Kansas State's Mario Smith (1997).

USC quarterback Sam Darnold's 356 yards passing ranks fourth in Cotton Bowl history and is the most since Bryce Petty of Baylor set the Cotton Bowl record in 2015 with 550 yards.

Darnold's 45 passing attempts and his 26 completions both rank fifth in the single game Cotton Bowl record book. His total number of plays, including 11 rushes, tied for fourth most individual total plays in Cotton Bowl history.

Team Scoring Records:

Ohio State scored on its first possession of the game, marking the 35th time in the 82 years of the Classic that a team has scored on its first offensive possession of the game. It is third time in the past four Classics that a team has scored on its initial drive.

Ohio State's 17 points in the second quarter tied for the fourth-most in that quarter in Classic history, matching Ole Miss' 17 points vs. Texas Tech in 2009. (Record 21 points set three times).

Ohio State's 24 points tied for 7th in Classic history for points by one team in the first half. The 24 points are also the most since Baylor scored 24 points in the first half against Michigan State in the 2015 Classic. (Record 34 points – USC vs. Texas Tech, 1995).



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Ohio State became the 47th team in 82 games (57.3%) to score first in the Cotton Bowl Classic and go on to win the game.

Ohio State became the 53rd team in 82 games (64.6%) to win after leading at the half and the 61st team in 82 games (74.4%) to win after leading after three quarters.

The scoreless second half was the first combined scoreless half in a Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic since the 1971 game between Notre Dame and Texas.

Team Scoring Drive Record:

Ohio State's scoring drive that culminated in a touchdown at 12:25 of the first quarter is the eighth quickest scoring drive in Classic history. The scoring drive was five plays, and went 19 yards in 1:12 TOP.

Team Defensive Record:

Ohio State's eight total quarterback sacks ties for third in Cotton Bowl history. BYU had eight sacks vs. Kansas State in 1997 and Arkansas recorded eight sacks vs. Texas in 2000. (Record – 9 sacks – Miami vs. Texas, 1991, Oklahoma vs. Arkansas, 2002).

Team Offensive Record:

USC's 16 first downs, by passing, ties for fourth (with Oklahoma State, 2014) in Cotton Bowl history.

Last Time It Happened:

Ohio State's Damon Webb returned an interception 23 yards for a touchdown in the second quarter. It was the first time an interception was returned for a TD in Classic history since 2009 when Marshay Green of Ole Miss returned an interception 65 yards for a touchdown against Texas Tech. It is also the first interception returned for a TD in Classic history at AT&T Stadium.



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MULTIPLE CHAMPIONS

- Nine different programs have won the Cotton Bowl Classic in the first nine years the game has been played at AT&T Stadium.

POSTSEASON WINS

- Ohio State has won twice in two games at AT&T Stadium with both games coming in the postseason. These two postseason wins are the most for any college team at AT&T Stadium.

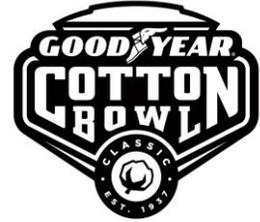
MOST SACKS IN A GAME

- Ohio State's eight sacks ties them with Nebraska (2009 Big 12 Championship Game) for the most sacks in a college game at AT&T Stadium.



CFP New Year's Six Records

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FOURTH YEAR OF THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

- This is the fourth season of the College Football Playoff, with today's Cotton Bowl serving as the 19th New Year's Six matchup under the new system. It is the first of the New Year's Six games to be played this season.

OHIO STATE PILES UP THE SACKS

- Ohio State's eight team sacks are tied for the most in a New Year's Six game. Boise State also had eight against Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl in 2014.
- Ohio State defensive end Sam Hubbard's 2.5 sacks are the most in a New Year's Six game. Five players previously had two. His 3.5 TFL are tied with three others for second in a New Year's Six game.

MOST PASSES BROKEN UP

- Ohio State cornerback Kendall Sheffield's four pass breakups are tied for the most in a New Year's Six game. Alabama's Cyrus Jones also had four in the 2015 Sugar Bowl against Ohio State.

SECOND MOST RECEPTIONS

- USC wide receiver Deontay Burnett's 12 receptions are tied for the second most in a New Year's Six game. Boise State's Thomas Sperbeck also had 12 receptions in the 2014 Fiesta Bowl against Arizona.

FIFTH MOST PASSING YARDS

- USC quarterback Sam Darnold's 356 yards are the fifth most in a New Year's Six game.

FIFTH LONGEST TIME OF POSSESSION

- USC had the ball for 34:56, the fifth longest time of possession in a New Year's Six game.



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Tonight's game is the 82nd Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic, and the ninth played at AT&T Stadium in Arlington.

The game is the 15th Classic between conference champions/co-champions.

Ohio State won the coin toss, and elected to defer its choice to the second half. USC then chose to receive to start the 82nd Classic.

The Classic kicked off at 7:40 pm Central time.

FIRST QUARTER

OHIO STATE (12:25): J.T. Barrett 1-yard TD rush (**Sean Neurnberger** kick). The Buckeyes drive was 5 plays, 19 yards and took 1:12 after a fumble return of 20 yards by **S Damon Webb** to the USC 19. Ohio State ran 3 times for 10 yards and was 1-2 passing for 9 yards. **KEY PLAY:** 9-yard pass from Barrett to TE **Marcus Baugh**, who caught a pass over the middle to convert a 3rd-and-6 play from the USC 15-yard line to the Trojans 6. **Ohio State 7, USC 0.**

Barrett's TD set the Ohio State single-season record for touchdowns responsible for with 46 (35 passing, 11 rushing).

END OF THE FIRST QUARTER: Ohio State 7, USC 0



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SECOND QUARTER

OHIO STATE (14:55): Neurnberger 26-yard field goal. The Buckeyes drive was 13 plays, 83 yards and took 5:06 after a USC punt. Ohio State rushed 9 times for 40 yards, was 2-3 yards passing for 48 yards, and the Buckeyes were penalized once for 5 yards on the drive. **KEY PLAY:** 16-yard run over the left side by Barrett to convert a 4th-and-2 play from the USC 32 to the Trojans 16. **Ohio State 10, USC 0.**

OSU had 4 chunk plays (2 runs of 10+ yards and 2 passes of 15+ yards) during the drive. Those 4 plays accounted for 74 of the 83 yards on the scoring drive.

OHIO STATE (14:42): Webb 23-yard interception return for a touchdown (Neurnberger kick). **KEY PLAY:** On the first play from scrimmage at the USC 18 after the previous Ohio State FG, USC QB **Sam Darnold** threw left, and the pass was intercepted by Webb at USC 23 and returned for a TD. **Ohio State 17, USC 0.**

It was OSU's first interception return for a touchdown this season, and it was Webb's team-leading fifth interception. It was only the second time this season that Darnold was intercepted for a score (**DeShon Elliot** 38 yards vs. Texas – 9/16/17).

It was the first interception return for a score in the Classic since 2009 when Ole Miss' **Marshay Green** returned a Texas Tech pass 65 yards for a score, and it was the first interception-return TD in the Classic in AT&T Stadium.

OHIO STATE (5:27): Barrett 28-yard run (Neurnberger kick). The Buckeyes went 2 plays, 59 yards and took 45 seconds after a fumble return of 13 yards by LB **Jerome Baker** to the OSU 41. The Buckeyes rushed one time for 28 yards, were 1-1 passing for 16 yards, and USC was penalized once for 15 yards. **KEY PLAY:** On the first play from scrimmage after the fumble recovery, Barrett threw to RB **Mike Weber** for a gain of 16 yards to the USC 43. The Trojans were penalized an additional 15 yards at the end of the play for a face mask to the USC 28. **Ohio State 24, USC 0.**



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SECOND QUARTER-2

OSU had 2 chunk plays (1 rush of 10+ and 1 pass of 15+ yards) during the drive.

USC (1:59): Ronald Jones II 1-yard run (**Chase McGrath** kick). The Trojans went 3 plays, 15 yards and took 56 seconds after an USC recovery of a muffed punt by S Marvell Tell III at the OSU 15. USC rushed 2 times for 1 yards and was 1-1 passing for 14 yards. **KEY PLAY:** On 4th-and-18 at the USC 34, P **Reid Budrovich** punted 52 yards to the OSU 14, where Buckeyes PR **K.J. Hill** muffed the punt, and Tell recovered at the OSU 15. **Ohio State 24, USC 7.**

HALFTIME: Ohio State 24, USC 7

FIRST HALF NOTES

USC averaged 4.9 yards per play in the first half (201 yards/41 plays), while Ohio State averaged 5.9 yards per play (183 yards/31 plays).

USC had 6 chunk plays in the first half (2 rushes of 10+ yards and 4 passes for 15+ yards), 3 of which went for 20 yards or longer. Ohio State had 7 chunk plays (4 rush of 10+ and 3 passes of 15+), 2 of which went for 20 yards or longer.

It is ninth time that the Ohio State defense has held their opponent to 7 points or less in the first half this season.

All 4 touchdowns in the first half were either a turnover for a TD or were a result of turnovers on the previous possession.



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THIRD QUARTER

Ohio State exercised its option and chose to receive the second-half kickoff.

NO SCORING

END OF THIRD QUARTER: Ohio State 24, USC 7

FOURTH QUARTER

NO SCORING

FINAL SCORE: Ohio State 24, USC 7

SECOND HALF NOTES

The third and fourth quarters were only the second and third scoreless quarters in the Classic since 2010 (College Football Playoff Semifinal – Michigan State vs. Alabama – December 31, 2015 - first quarter).

This was the first scoreless half since the 1983 Classic (Pittsburgh vs. SMU; first half).



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POSTGAME NOTES

FINAL RECORDS: Ohio State (12-2 overall; 8-1 Big Ten), USC (11-3 overall; 8-1 Pac-12).

82ND GOODYEAR COTTON BOWL CLASSIC AWARDS

SANFORD TROPHY (Outstanding Offensive Player):

Ohio State QB **J.T. Barrett** (11-17 passing, 114 yards; 16 rushes, 66 yards, 2 TD).

McKNIGHT TROPHY (Outstanding Defensive Player)

Ohio State S **Damon Webb** (5 total tackles, 5 solo tackles, 1 interception and return for 23 yards and a TD, 1 fumble recovery and return for 20 yards).

ATTENDANCE: 67,510; **TIME OF GAME:** 3:36

Ohio State had 10 chunk plays in the game (6 rushes of 10+ yards and 4 passes of 15+ yards), 4 of which went for 20 yards or longer. USC had 13 chunk plays (4 rushes of 10+ and 9 passes of 15+), 3 of which went for 20 yards or longer.

Ohio State's victory means that nine different programs have won the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic in the nine games played at AT&T Stadium.

Ohio State moves to 2-0 in the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic all-time, while USC drops to 1-1 in the Classic.

The Big Ten is now 4-1 in the Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic, while the Pac-12 is 3-3 in the Classic.

Since 1999, 15 of the last 16 teams to lead at halftime have gone on to win the Cotton Bowl Classic (2015 Baylor the lone exception). Ohio State is 9-0 this season when leading at halftime, while USC is 1-2 when trailing at halftime.



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The 82nd Classic is the first New Year Six bowl game (2014-present) to have a scoreless half.

Ohio State snaps a seven-game losing streak to USC that dated back to the 1974 Rose Bowl.

Ohio State became the third different Big Ten team to win the Goodyear Cotton Bowl in the past four classics, joining Michigan State (Jan. 1, 2015) and Wisconsin (Jan. 2, 2017). The Buckeyes are 2-0 in the Classic, having defeated Texas A&M on Jan. 1, 1987.

Ohio State is now 2-0 at AT&T Stadium. The Buckeyes won the inaugural CFP National Championship Game over Oregon, 42-20, on January 12, 2015. Ohio State will be back in the stadium on Sept. 15 when they face TCU.

Ohio State is now 2-0 in NY6 (Non-Playoff) Bowls, adding tonight's win to its victory over Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 1, 2016. The Buckeyes are 23-25 all-time in bowl games.

Ohio State head coach **Urban Meyer** earned his 11th career bowl win tonight. That ties him with Alabama's **Nick Saban** and Utah's **Kyle Whittingham** for the most by active FBS coaches. Whittingham picked up his 11th win earlier this week in the Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl, and Saban will get a chance to surpass the two when Alabama plays Clemson on New Year's Day in the Allstate Sugar Bowl.

USC outgained Ohio State in total yards, 413 to 277. The 136-yard advantage is the largest by the losing team in the Cotton Bowl Classic since 1962 when Mississippi outgained Texas, 319 to 183, but lost 12-7.



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POSTGAME NOTES-3

Ohio State senior QB **J.T. Barrett** became the Big Ten Conference's all-time leader in total offense with 12,697 yards. He broke the record of 12,692 set by Purdue QB **Drew Brees** from 1997-2000.

Tonight's Classic marked the ninth time this season that Ohio State held its opponent to seven points or less in the first half this season. It was also the fourth time that the Buckeyes held an opponent to seven or less in a game.

Ohio State's 8 sacks and 14 tackles for loss are both season highs for the Buckeyes. The 8 sacks are the most by one team in any 2017 bowl game to date.

The 23-yard interception return for a touchdown by senior **S Damon Webb** was Ohio State's first INT return for a TD this season. The Buckeyes registered seven interception returns for scores last season and their total of eight over the last two seasons is the most in the FBS.

Ohio State junior CB **Denzel Ward** did not play in tonight's game and he will not return for his senior season with the Buckeyes in 2018. Ward wrestled with the decision to play (or not) throughout the bowl prep practices, leaving open his decision until game day. He elected today to sit out. Ward was a consensus All-American for the Buckeyes in 2017, leading the team with 15 pass break-ups and 17 total passes defended (two interceptions and 15 PBUs). He also contributed 37 tackles, including 30 solo stops.

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- Head coach Urban Meyer improved to 11-3 in his career in bowl games and 4-2 at Ohio State. Meyer is also 48-4 with more than one week to prepare.
- The Buckeyes snapped a seven-game losing streak to Southern California and won its first game over the Trojans since the 1974 Rose Bowl.
- Ohio State's defense produced a season high in sacks (eight), tackles for loss (14) and turnovers forced (four).
- With his one-yard TD run in the first quarter, J.T. Barrett set the single season record for touchdowns responsible for in a season with 46. He previously held the record of 45 as a freshman in 2014.
- Ohio State finished its season with a 4-1 record against Top 25 competition and includes three wins over teams that were ranked in the top 10 – No. 2 Penn State, No. 4 Wisconsin and No. 8 USC.
- Barrett also set another single season record in the first half: total yards. The senior QB passed his own mark of 3,772 on his 28-yard touchdown run in the second quarter.
- In the fourth quarter, Barrett passed Drew Brees as the Big Ten's total offense leader. He finishes his career with 12,697 yards. He was also 38-6 as a starting quarterback.
- Kicker Sean Nuernberger made a field goal for the seventh consecutive game.
- Damon Webb's second-quarter interception return for touchdown was the second of his career. He previously returned an INT 36 yards against Nebraska in 2016 for the opening score of the game vs. the Cornhuskers. It was also Ohio State's first postseason pick-six since Steve Miller's 41-yard INT return in the 2015 CPF Semifinals vs. Alabama.



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- So. QB **Sam Darnold** became USC's first quarterback to throw for more than 4,000 yards in a season with tonight's performance, breaking Carson Palmer's 2002 school record of 3,942. He entered the game with 3,787 yards.
- Darnold passed for over 200 yards for the 23rd time in his career and for over 300 yards for the 12th time in his career.
- Jr. TB **Ronald Jones'** 1-yard 2nd-quarter TD is his 19th rushing TD this year, giving him 20 scores overall. Jones now has at least 1 TD in 19 of his last 20 games.
- Sr. OLB **Uchenna Nwosu's** 2 sacks give him 9.5 this season.
- Jr. DL **Rasheem Green's** 2nd quarter sack gives him a team-best 10 this year.
- Jr. WR **Deontay Burnett** became USC's 18th Trojan with 1,000+ receiving yards after starting the game with 975, and set a Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic record for receptions in a game with 12 (139 yards). The previous record was held by Rashaun Woods of Oklahoma State who had 11 receptions (223 yards) vs. Ole Miss in 2004.
- In his last two bowl games, WR Deontay Burnett has combined for 25 catches and 303 receiving yards.
- Jr. ILB **Cameron Smith** finished with double digit tackles for the fourth time this year, and for the first time since the Notre Dame game.
- Fr. WR **Tyler Vaughns** finished with over 100 yards receiving for second time this year.



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- USC had two players with 100+ receiving yards in the same game for the first time this season



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COACH URBAN MEYER:

What did your team show about the quality of this year's Buckeye squad?

Well I think we had three wins against Top 10 teams. USC is a heck of a football team. Their defense really did a good job against us. Our defensive line won that game. And secondary. That quarterback, I have a lot of respect for him, but the best way to disrupt a quarterback is get after him and we did.

What was the game plan defensively?

We've got the best D-Line coach in America and he had them ready to rock and roll. You saw what I saw. I mean, if you don't let him set his feet you have a chance. You saw at the end of the game that quarterback never set his feet.

And your quarterback, J.T. Barrett?

I love him. He's a member of the Meyer family, as I've said many, many times. He's a legend at Ohio State and he'll go down as one of the winningest quarterbacks ever to play here and go on his endeavors and go whatever he's going to do, but know he has a home at Ohio State for the rest of his life.

What does it mean to this group to win the Cotton Bowl?

I don't use it very often, but I love this team. I love the leaders on this team. To send them out Cotton Bowl champions, arguably maybe a Top 5 finish, that's a heck of a year.



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**QUESTIONS FOR COACH URBAN MEYER, QB J.T. BARRETT, AND
S DAMON WEBB**

COACH MEYER: Thank you and thanks to the Cotton Bowl. The Texas hospitality is what it is. This is my third time here, twice in the last few years: One for the national championship and then, obviously, this one. So it's fantastic.

USC is outstanding, especially their defense played so well today. And they were blitzing, and they were changing things up. And we didn't play as well offensively.

But their quarterback is as good as advertised. However, our defensive line really dominated the game with eight sacks.

So it was a great win for Ohio State. We'll be a top-five team, Big Ten champs. We just had every senior say a few words. And I can't get enough of those guys. They're everything that you want in a young person. They lead the team. They live right off the field. And, obviously, they're winners. Won a lot of games here, and they're champions. I'll answer any questions.

Q. This question is for J.T. You were a kid born in Lawton, Oklahoma. Finished school in Wichita Falls. You have played in every ball game and won a national championship. Can you reflect on what God has done for you, sir?

QB J.T. BARRETT: Yeah. God has definitely blessed me and my family for the opportunity to be at Ohio State. I'm grateful for coaches, like Coach [Urban] Meyer, really be hard on me. But at the end of the day, he's very honest. And I think that's something great about Ohio State. They're honest. I mean, not everybody wants honesty; but he's very honest with me. And at the end of the day, I knew he was going to do right by not only myself but also the guys in the locker room. So I'm very blessed and thankful for that.

Q. J.T., where you went to school, did you hear any ROHOs out there today, or did you hear mostly O-hi-o?

QB J.T. BARRETT: I'm pretty sure there was a little bit of both. I had a quite a few people from Wichita Falls. Very grateful that people was able to come to the game, being it was the last game in AT&T Stadium.



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Q. For Damon. Especially when you found out that Denzel [Ward] was not going to play, what was your guys' mindset? And what did you do to kind of get past that and play so well as a unit?

S DAMON WEBB: My mindset was just the next man up. I know we've got a lot of young guys that was ready to play. When we found out Denzel couldn't play, we were just the next man up. We lose first rounders every year, and that's just the mindset we got here. So Jeff Okudah, Damon [Arnette] and Ken [Sheffield] did a tremendous job today. So I really appreciate them.

Q. J.T., as this is kind of it, can you reflect on your four years at Ohio State?

QB J.T. BARRETT: It's been a blessing. I'm very grateful for everybody. That's been a part of my dream here at Ohio State. I can't say thank you enough as far as the mentors, the family members, people from church. I mean, everybody's been a part of my life to help me through this journey, coaches, my teammates that were here tonight and then people I played in the past. There's so many people to thank. Just very grateful for those people. They made me who I am.

Q. J.T. again, you passed Drew Brees as the all-time leading in total yards, Big Ten history. What does that record mean for you to kind of wrap up your career here?

QB J.T. BARRETT: It's pretty crazy. I mean, since I was little, I looked up to Drew Brees. To be able to pass a record like that, just very grateful the people that were around me, coaches that have been part of my journey, O-line, receivers, tight end, running backs, receivers, everybody that helped me achieve that. It's definitely an honor and a blessing.

Q. Can you reflect on what J.T. [Barrett] has meant to the program?

COACH MEYER: Yeah, I get asked that question quite often, and I never get tired of it. We just had a lot of not very many dry eyes in the locker room. And respect is not given. Respect is earned.

And at a place like Ohio State, what those kids have done not only for our football program -- just think about the way they act, the way they behave, the way they represent the great state of Ohio and Ohio State University, not just the football program, the University.

And J.T.'s one of, whatever it was, 15 guys. I love those guys. And the cool thing is that your dream is to come into a place and leave it a little bit better than when you came here and he did.

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Q. Urban, J.T. [Barrett] was not always super flashy. But if you had to describe the way he played the game, I know "toughness" is a word you use. If you kind of had to summarize it beyond toughness, how would you categorize what he's been and how he's played?

COACH MEYER: Elite leader that raises the level of those around him, raises the level of toughness, of will to win, of the practice habits, the human spirit. I know he says he doesn't want to coach, but I'm not done trying to get him to coach because he should do that.

He should be in a position someday -- I know he's going to go play in the NFL, and that might be his platform. But he should be in a position someday -- God made a special guy there, very unique guy. And he's got a skill set that I haven't come across very often.

Q. Coach, best adjective for your defense tonight and the line, "relentless." Would that be a good way?

COACH MEYER: Yeah, dominating and relentless against an excellent quarterback. We had eight sacks. Eight sacks and I believe we had four turnovers caused, I believe. And an interception. And was it three fumbles? Yeah, our defense was dominant. Offense didn't play very well, but our defense was dominant and controlled the line of scrimmage.

And we knew going into the game, obviously, he's going to be a top-five pick, the quarterback we just faced. He's every bit of it. I was watching him warm up and going "whoa." If you let that young man with those receivers just stand back and throw, you're not going to stop them. Our defensive line and Larry Johnson and his group was phenomenal.

Q. Urban, 73-8, I think it is, in six seasons so far. What would you say it's meant to you, if you can look at the entirety of the experience?

COACH MEYER: This one is very personal. I'm from Ohio. I've been a Buckeye, I think, as long as I've been able to say the word "buckeye." So when I hear "Hang On Sloopy" and see the former players and knowing that we in our own little way have done some very good things for this great university, that's one of those feel-good moments. And, like I said, this one is very personal.

Q. Urban, compared to last year going into the next season, a good taste in your mouth. It was pretty bad last year. Can this really give you a balance? That's talked about a lot. What does this do?

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COACH MEYER: Well, momentum is very, very important. We're going to find out exactly -- we had an excellent signing day. We're going to find out here shortly who's going to leave early for the draft. That's always one of those bittersweet moments.

But it's very healthy program. And I just go through that locker room. And it's probably not the politically correct way of saying it, but there's not many people I don't like. I like a lot of those guys. As a matter of fact, I love the majority of them and appreciate them. And that's a good sign.

Q. Urban, how late into today or this week were you talking with Denzel [Ward] about his decision and that dynamic of it all happening so late, seemingly. What did you think? And what kind of an impact, if any, did it have tonight?

COACH MEYER: Well, it began after the championship game. And I was out on the road recruiting and I come back and a lot of people are pulling -- you know, this is an interesting -- I don't necessarily agree with everything. But a lot of people pulling and telling stories, and everybody has opinions and all of that.

And you're talking about not a good young man but a great young man. And his mom is not a good mom, a fantastic mom. They were asking our opinion. And it went everywhere from a play to maybe third downs to maybe special teams to he was practicing.

And the decision wasn't made until, I don't know, probably yesterday. It went all the way to "I'm going to play the whole time" to "What do you think?" So that's it.

Q. Once again, playoffs should stay at four teams or would you like to see an expansion?

COACH MEYER: Has to go to eight -- I'm just kidding (laughter). We've been on the outside looking in twice, and we've been in there twice. I'm going to enjoy this win.

I don't know. I always think first of the student-athlete. And you tell me when you're going to play two more games. And you need to increase the scholarship limit by 15 or something to be able to have that. So I don't foresee that happening.

Q. You just mentioned the signing day that happened recently. What's your take on having this early signing day in December in addition to the one in February?



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COACH MEYER: I was outspoken against it, and I'm still not sure. We'll see how it goes. But I have a job to represent Ohio State, and it's been very good to us. We had an excellent signing date. It remains to be seen the next month here.

There's going to be a lot of junior recruiting. I think we have two left. There's a lot of time, but the calendar's getting moved up so much. I don't know.

It was exhausting, a lot of hard work for our staff, but it worked out very well for Ohio State.

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**QUESTIONS FOR COACH CLAY HELTON, QB SAM DARNOLD,
AND ILB CAMERON SMITH**

COACH HELTON: Really good game by Ohio State. Credit Coach [Urban] Meyer, his staff and those players. I thought they played an excellent football game. We kind of shot ourselves in the foot in this game. I don't think -- any time that you turn the ball over three times, especially two in the negative yardage area, you're putting a hurt on your defense and it led to points early in the game and a separation early in the game.

Got a little momentum back. Got a little momentum back with the turnover on the punt return being able to get that in, cut it to a three-score game. And really just challenged our team in the second half. We knew we were going to have to play pretty much perfect football being three scores down. And I absolutely love the effort that the kids played with, especially defensively.

I thought you look at that offense that puts up 500 yards a game. And for them to hold them in check in the second half and really give us an opportunity to be able to try get some points on the board.

And the name of the game was, in the first half, we had turnovers. Didn't really get our run game started. And the second half we get it down in the red zone three times and don't come away with any points. And that's the difference in the game.

But credit our seniors. I can't tell you how proud I am of them for the foundation that they have laid. And I can't tell you how proud I am of the effort the kids played with tonight.

Q. Sam, what happened on offense tonight?

QB SAM DARNOLD: Turnovers. Whenever you turn over the ball that much, it's hard to win games. I made a bad read on the pick six. I shouldn't have thrown it, obviously. He jumped inside of the receiver right after the ball was snapped, and I didn't see him. And it was a bad play on my part.

Then the strip fumbles. When I'm in the pocket, those are tough. And then, yeah, it's just little things. Coach said it to our whole team. We're going to watch the film. And one little thing is going to make or break a whole play.

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I missed a couple of throws, too, that I'd like to have back. That would have switched the momentum. There was a lot of stuff where we shot ourselves in our foot.

Q. Sam, had you ever had to be that decisive before that quick?

QB SAM DARNOLD: I mean, they're, obviously, a really good defensive line. They're probably the best I've played. But our O-line for the most part did a really good job of picking everything up. I just missed a couple of throws, like I said.

Q. Sam, now that the game is over, what's the process that you will be going through regarding your future?

QB SAM DARNOLD: Just talking to my family, talking to coaches, people who have been in my position before. And that's kind of how I'll go about it.

Q. Cameron, defensively, what were you guys seeing differently from Ohio State and on your end to be able to hold them in the second half?

ILB CAMERON SMITH: I think differently on film that we kind of maybe assumed what they were going to do is looking over to the sideline more and start checking the line of scrimmage. And I think we were prepared for that. But, for the most part, I think they did a lot of what we saw on film. And they executed when they needed to and put enough points on the board.

Q. Sam, how difficult was it to get any sort of momentum? It seemed like after every big play you guys had, there was a negative play or turnover very shortly thereafter.

QB SAM DARNOLD: It's tough. As an offense, we try to create drives. And we had the ball, like Coach said, three times in the red zone. And we didn't put up points. Those are tough. It's going to be hard to win ball games like that. So sometimes that's just how the game goes. And we'll look at the film and get better.

Q. Guys, obviously, not the outcome that you wanted. And, Sam, how does tonight's game impact how you're going to go about debating whether you feel like you have some unfinished business for next year or what you're going to do next? How will this game impact that?



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QB SAM DARNOLD: Right now I think I'm really just focused on just hanging out with my teammates for the next couple of days and really just saying bye to the seniors because they've put together such a great season. But it's tough. I'll look at everything and make my decision after that.

Q. Cam, how proud were you of your defense tonight? And did you feel that your defense held in there despite the problems that the offense obviously was having its challenges?

ILB CAMERON SMITH: I'm always proud of our defense. I think we prepared really well. And there comes a time in games when your back's against the wall. And I think it's our job to answer that and to get the ball back in our offense's hands.

And I think, for the most part, we played with great energy. It's always a great time being with those guys. And I think we've developed such a great bond. I'm very proud of them. And it is what it is, but I think we played well. I'm happy for that part of it. But, obviously, the loss is rough.

Q. You talked a lot in the second half about the things that were better than last year, like winning the Pac-12 South and the Pac-12. Last year you finished third in the national rankings. You won a New Year's Day bowl. You won nine straight. So can you make an equal case that maybe there wasn't the progress this year that you had last year?

COACH HELTON: We've had 11 wins. We've won a Pac-12 championship. We're proud of those accomplishments. But are we satisfied? No, we're not. We won't be satisfied until we win a national championship, and that will be our goal.

Like I told our seniors in the locker room, they've laid the foundation for us to move forward. They moved us forward by winning a Pac-12 championship by having 11 wins. And they've laid the foundation for the next step, which is making it to the playoffs and winning a national championship.

So proud of our seniors' accomplishments but will not be satisfied until we win a national championship.

Q. Clay, early fourth quarter, fourth and 4 from the 10, were you debating whether to go for it there when you ended up kicking?

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COACH HELTON: No. You try to make it a two-score game. And I thought it would give us momentum, to be honest with you. Had plenty of time left in that game. And we got the ball right back. I think there was about eight minutes and some change on the clock there. You kind of do a two-score game. We actually got the ball back with high 6:50, I think, was left and that's what you wanted.

At the end of the day, like I said, I thought the difference in the game was the early turnovers that created 14 really easy points for Ohio State, not getting the run game started.

And then the second half when our defense was playing so good, just not finishing in the red zone. You have a defense that holds people to 290 yards, you look up and you're putting yards all over the place. We just didn't finish today. That and the turnovers cost us.

Q. You knew that Ohio State had a very good pass rush. Did they do anything that you didn't anticipate? And, secondly, what did you do to really shut them down offensively?

COACH HELTON: Well, I'm going to credit -- their defensive front is so talented. And you watch them -- you see their stats on paper, you watch it on film, but until you see it in person -- blown away by not only their talent but how well coached they are.

We didn't have a lot of mental assignments tonight. What we had was just physical beats. And they did a tremendous job. They held our run game in check. We've always had issues when our run game does not go. And when it was passing situations, they got to the quarterback.

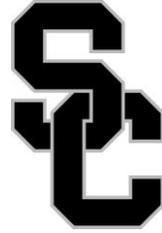
I credit Sam. I told him in there in front of the team, I thought he was a warrior tonight. To get off the ground that many times and make the plays that he did, he showed his true class and character.

But credit that Ohio State front. I was blown away by them tonight, and they're truly a talented bunch.

Q. Clay, the situation toward the sideline at the end there, what did you see and what was your thoughts, especially about a late hit on Sam [Darnold] at that point in the game?



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COACH HELTON: Just an unfortunate situation. And tempers are going to flare in that situation, especially when your quarterback's over there. There's nobody that's maybe more loved on this football team than Sam. And it was just in the heat of the game, both sides. Both sides started some shoving and pushing, and it happens in the game. Unfortunate, unfortunate that it happened late; but it is what it is.

Q. Coach, what role will you play in Sam [Darnold] deciding his future? And what do you think you would say to him at this point?

COACH HELTON: Sam and I will talk. And the majority of the time what I've done, I've went through this situation last year with Adoree' [Jackson] and JuJu [Smith-Schuster] is just to provide correct information, to provide the information of, one, where he could be drafted; two, the next step moving forward, where it could be, what it could be. What could happen if you come back? What's left out there? And just be a shoulder to lean on.

I've always felt, when you're in this situation, just getting the correct information, like he said, whether it's from former players that have been in that situation, put him in contact with those players. NFL evaluation coming back. Being able to talk to anybody he needs to, to get him on the phone with them.

He's got all the time in the world. And right now, it's just nice, like he said, just to go back and be with your buddies and kind of be with those seniors that are hurting right now.

And we'll sit down. We've got plenty of time. We'll let this one sink in. This one hurts a little bit, but we'll sit as a family. He's a good man, and he'll make the best decision for him and his family.

Q. It seemed like the Notre Dame and Ohio State games were kind of similar in terms of the physical play. Was there something that you saw in common between those games?

COACH HELTON: I thought defensively holding them to 277 yards was really good. If you remember, that offense is one that averages over 500 yards a game. And I thought defensively did a wonderful job being able to hold up in the trenches and especially in the rushing game and in the pass game. 163 yards rushing, 114 passing.



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So where I thought we could have been better was in the offensive front. We had some physical beats there. And, like I said earlier, when you look at the difference, I really felt that turning the ball over early and not scoring late was really the keys to it.

But, I mean, anytime you hold a team that's putting up 42 points a game and averaging over 500 yards to 277, something's going right on that defensive front. Could we have played better offensively? Yes, of course.

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J.K. DOBBINS, RUNNING BACK

How nervous were you out there and now that there is a big “W” up there, how do you feel?

“I feel great. I wasn’t really that nervous because I have the people around me that make me feel comfortable. The coaches, they make me feel comfortable. I wasn’t really that nervous. It was great.”

You just finished your freshman season. The best thing about a freshman is that they become a sophomore. What is your mindset now that you get ready for next year?

“Get better. Beat the stuff that I did this year and just keep getting better.”

What do you think you need to do to get better?

“Pass blocking. In the run game, I need to get faster, stronger. I still have a lot of room for improvement.”

Is this what you thought it would be leaving Texas to become a Buckeye?

“It was everything I thought and a little more. It was great!”

Did this team send a message with this win tonight?

“When we’re playing like we’re playing now, I don’t think anyone can beat us.”

CHRIS WORLEY, LINEBACKER

The play of the defense tonight was suffocating. How would you describe it?

“That was one of our goals this year – to have a suffocating defense.”

Talking about (USC QB) Sam Darnold, you guys laid your hands on him a lot tonight and probably got him out of his rhythm. Did you sense that?

“I mean, he was making some throws now. That kid can play. I said earlier in the week, you never really know the poise and composure of a player until you play him. We kind of sensed that on film that no matter how much we hit him or how many plays we make, if you don’t go out there to make a play, he’s going to make a throw. He lives up to the hype. I have nothing but respect for him.”



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How do you think this team will be remembered?

"One thing that you can say about this team is that no matter who we face we come out of the other side of it swinging and came away with a lot of wins."

JEFFREY OKUDAH, CORNERBACK

What was it like playing in front of your hometown crowd?

It was a pretty cool experience just to play in front of the people that watched me play in high school, so I was excited about that.

When did you know Denzel Ward wasn't going to play?

It was last second. He tried to go all bowl prep, but with some injuries lingering around he didn't want to risk it.

What do you get out of this game to springboard into next season?

You just watch and rewatch the film and correct the mistakes. Instead of having a week to work on it, you have a whole offseason.

JK DOBBINS, RUNNING BACK

Were you able to go by the sidelines and see your mom and the folks from La Grange?

I don't know where they were. I didn't see them.

After one full season, what's your feeling?

I feel great. It was a great experience.

TATE MARTELL, QUARTERBACK

How much talk was there this year of you finding your way onto the field in some kind of role?

There was a little bit of talk, but there was nothing major. It was just like we would talk about it, but never come up with anything.

Was buying in to everything this season about accepting you'd sit behind J.T. Barrett when didn't go to the draft?

It wasn't anything I accepted, and not like I was cool with it or anything like that. It's just I knew my role and with a guy like J.T. who, look what he did, he just did everything he can to help this program. He deserves everything he's gotten. It's good for me to sit behind



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him. I'm glad that he stayed and came back for this year, and now I know what I need to do to be successful.

SAM HUBBARD, DEFENSIVE END

On the rushing unit's performance...

"There are a lot of things that I personally didn't do well, that I think I can improve in this game. The numbers – we got some sacks, and I think we played an all-around great game. Eight sacks is incredible. We knew that's what we had to do."

On the future of the rushing unit and how good it can be...

"The blueprint has been set. Coach (Larry) Johnson has been dreaming up a unit like this with so many guys and so much brotherhood. They have to take it and run with it. It's a brotherhood. We play so many guys. Everyone has to have their part. I think that's what we got into."

On getting pressure on USC quarterback Sam Darnold...

"It was mission accomplished in stopping the run at least. They couldn't run the ball. He was chucking the ball up and we were trying to get to him as much as we could. I think we did a good enough job of that."

DRE'MONT JONES, DEFENSIVE TACKLE

On the defensive line going forward...

"Whatever happens, I'm super confident with what can be accomplished with the unit. I mean, this unit is doing nothing but growing, and I don't see it declining next year."

On the Ohio State defensive line vs. the USC offensive line...

"We knew they weren't used to this high-powered Big Ten d-line. The way we play is just based off of attacking. That's what the Big Ten is. The Pac-12 is not as physical as we are, so I knew we'd have an advantage."

JOEY BOSA, DEFENSIVE END

On holding USC to only seven points...

"We were just excited to play a team that we usually wouldn't get to play to prove that the Big Ten deserves respect. That we deserve respect. We want to kick off



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next year the right way. That was our extra motivation to come out here and play as well as we did.”

On getting pressure to USC quarterback Sam Darnold...

“That matched the game plan. We were trying to close the pocket with power. Their tackles are a little smaller, so that was our game plan going in to just try and make them panic a little bit. They did, and once we started making them panic, we would hold the ball.”

JAMARCO JONES, OFFENSIVE TACKLE

On the biggest thing he'll remember from his Ohio State career...

“It's a brotherhood. We are a really close team. I can honestly say that. This is truly a brotherhood here. I can call on any of these guys at any time, and I know that they would be there for me. I would be there for them. It's those bonds that you build over the years. We were a really close team this year. Every year we got closer and closer. I'm just glad that we got to go out with a win tonight.”

On what surprised him from USC...

“They were giving us a lot of different looks from all over the place. That's a really good defensive team. They have a great pass rusher who is like No. 2 in the country in sacks. They're a great team. We were just able to come out and execute our game plan. There were times when they were throwing a lot of stuff at us. We got a little stagnant in our offense, but our defense was able to pick us up.”

On what he saw from the Ohio State defense...

“I see it everyday in practice with those d-linemen. I know what the o-linemen on the other side felt like. I just think we make each other better everyday in practice. It's just nice to see those guys go out there and execute and have a team win like that.”



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RONALD JONES II, TB

What do you think went wrong against Ohio State's defense?

Easy. Turnovers. We hurt ourselves, and you can't do that against good teams. When we're not out there executing and doing what we do, you know, stuff like that is going to happen.

What made their defensive front tough?

It was kind of just the speed up the edges. They're the best defense we've seen this season. We went in and made a couple of adjustments, but in the end it just wasn't enough.

DEONTAY BURNETT, WR

Can you talk about the turnover issue and if Ohio State was just a little more physical?

They were a great defense. We've just got to take care of the ball better. Myself, pointing out myself, I made a lot of mistakes. There were just some great plays. They were making great plays all day, trying to strip the ball out and stuff like that.

Why did your connection with Sam Darnold seem off?

I wouldn't say we were off on some throws, I would just say that Ohio State had a great D-line. We were just a bit flustered. Timing was off a little bit, but I would just say we were a little flustered. You've just got to look at those plays and then move on to the next play and keep fighting.

MICHAEL PITMAN JR., WR

On summarizing this game

"I feel like our defense was making a lot of plays. I felt like they played great. Hats off to them, and we didn't really hold up our side of the game. We had a lot of mistakes, and a lot of turnovers that they executed on."

On how different the game could have been without the turnovers

"I feel like you guys know how different it could have been without those turnovers because I feel like our defense was just playing lights out. I felt like they were stopping them on every drive."



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TYLER VAUGHNS, WR

On what USC saw from the Ohio State secondary

"We knew it was going to be man, we just had to make our plays on our side."

On what it is like playing with Sam Darnold

"It was great. Sam's the man, still. He did his job today even though he took a couple of hits today. He still did his job; he kept getting up."

UCHENNA NWOSU, LB

On tonight's second half

"It was just it being our last game together, you know? As a team, as a brotherhood, and as a family, we just had to fight together. No matter what the scoreboard says, play like it's 0-0."

On the Ohio State offense

"Their O-line is very good. Shout out to their O-line. They were very consistent in the run game, pass protection, everything. Their O-line is very good."

On creating pressure on Ohio State QB J.T. Barrett

"Just working the moves we worked in practice and staying consistent with the game plan. Just playing hard, playing fast and trusting my instincts."

CHIRS HAWKINS, S

On his senior season

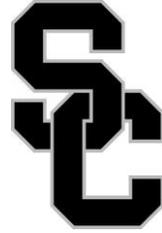
"It was pretty successful. We won a Pac-12 Championship. We got 11 wins. We wanted this last one, but it never went that way. I would say this season was successful on the whole."

On changes from last season's Alabama game at AT&T Stadium

"That was a totally different team. We were ready for the situation this time. Last time, it kind of hit us hard. We were wide-eyed a little bit. This time was different. We were ready to play."



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On tonight's defense

"It's a team game. I don't put blame on offense, defense, special teams or anything. It's a team game. As a team, they were better than us today."

MARVELL TELL III, S

On offensive struggles

"It was a little frustrating but we kept our heads on straight on the defensive side. We keep going no matter what the situation. We continued to push forward, we didn't think about the past."

On season as a whole

"I think we had a pretty good season, we came out Pac-12 Champs. We came up short a few times but everyone does. We've got to own this offseason and come back next year."

JOHN HOUSTON JR, ILB

On limiting the run

"Everyone did their job, from the defensive line to the safeties, everyone did their job and did what they had to do."

On playing in the Cotton Bowl

"It was great hospitality, I had real fun throughout all the events and all the extra-curriculars. It was a lot of fun and a great experience overall."



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