



POSTGAME NOTES

No. 5 USC vs. Oregon State
Galen Center • Los Angeles, Calif.
Thursday, January 13, 2022
Final: USC 81, Oregon State 71

- With the 81-71 win tonight, USC improved to 14-1 (4-1) and Oregon State fell to 3-12 (1-4).
- USC improved to 7-0 at home this season. USC last played at home on Dec. 15 when it defeated UC Irvine (66-61).
- USC's 14-1 start is its best since also beginning the 2016-17 season at 14-1 through 15 games.
- Oregon State led 42-37 at halftime, scoring the last 5 points after USC had rallied from 9 down to tie it at 37-all. Oregon State made 10 of its first 15 shots, including 4-for-4 from three-point range to lead 28-19 with 7 minutes left in the first half. Oregon State made 57.7 percent of its first-half field goals, including 66.7 percent from three-point range. USC made 38.7 percent of its first-half shots, 40 percent from three-point range. Oregon State built its lead to 10 3-minutes into the second half before the Trojans began their comeback.
- Forward Chevez Goodwin had his second double-double of the season with 20 points and a season-high 12 rebounds. His other double-double this season was vs. Dixie State on Nov. 22 (12 points and 11 rebounds). Goodwin's 9 offensive rebounds were the most by a Trojan in a game since Taj Gibson had 10 vs. Seton Hall on Nov. 20, 2008. Goodwin's 9 offensive rebounds were the most by a Trojan in a conference game since Nick Young had 10 vs. Oregon State on Feb. 25, 2006.
- Guard Reese Dixon-Waters matched a career high with 9 points tonight. He also scored 9 points vs. Dixie State on Nov. 22, 2021. Dixon-Waters had a +19 plus-minus tonight, the best of any player in the game.
- Oregon State made an opponent high this season of 52.9 percent from three-point range. It was the best shooting percentage by a USC opponent since UCLA made 55.6 percent from beyond the arc (5-for-9) on March 6 last season.
- USC's shooting percentage of 41.5 was its second-lowest of the season. USC made only 40.7 percent in its win over UC Irvine on Dec. 15.
- Guard Drew Peterson scored 17 points and grabbed 7 rebounds tonight. He also shared the team lead with 4 assists. In his last 10 games he is averaging 12.8 points, 6.3 rebounds and 2.8 assists.
- USC's next game will be Saturday, Jan. 15 vs. Oregon at the Galen Center at 8 p.m.

ANDY ENFIELD QUOTES:

"It was a very intense, physical game. Oregon State played really well. We did what we had to do at the end of the game to win. Our offense was just okay, but we made shots down the stretch to win."

"The last 4 or 5 minutes, our players go to their shooters and challenged them and blocked out for rebounds. It was a battle on the boards, there was a lot of physicality."

"Our guards played much better as the game went along."

"When we were down double digits early in the second half, I was disappointed in our defensive effort and we didn't get back in transition. We made some adjustments. The guys decided on their own that they were going to win. They battled. We didn't have our best game. We withstood a 27-point shooting barrage by Lucas."

"We kept going to Isaiah Mobley in the last 4 or 5 minutes. That's the type of effort and leadership we need. Everyone struggled the first 36 minutes, but we came up big when it mattered."

"Chevez is relentless rebounding. It was his most impressive game as a Trojan."

"Everyone on Oregon State who shot the ball in the first half, the ball was going in. Sometimes you have those nights when the opponent gets hot. They certainly were in the first half tonight."

"Reese played great, tough defense, hit a big 3, made his free throws. He's a smart player. It was his best game as a Trojan. He's getting better and better."



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"We're a little rusty. We lost so much practice time. That has hurt us. There's no excuses, we have to figure this out quickly. We're right there."

ISAIAH MOBLEY QUOTES:

"It was an ugly game for us. My team trusted me down the stretch. I'm running on fumes. We've got to grind it out. It's not easy. But I'm glad we got the win."

"It was a dog fight. I have a bloody lip and I could taste blood every sip of Gatorade. I like physical battles."

CHEVEZ GOODWIN QUOTES:

"We came together. They had the momentum, but we found a way to pull it out at the end. It was a team effort. My thing was to bring energy as much as I can."

"It was just 2 guys (him and Silva) going at it. It was nothing personal. It is what it is. I like the contact, it gets me going."

OREGON STATE HEAD COACH WAYNE TINKLE:

"I know they shot a good percentage from 3, so credit them for that"

"They kicked our butts on the offensive glass and made some timely threes"

"To give them (USC) credit they did exactly at halftime what we said they were gonna do in the 2nd half (USC) get physical, throw us around, drive right at us and unfortunately we weren't able to stand toe to toe with them the last few minutes as we did over the course of the game"