

GAME 2 | SEPT. 6, 2025 | 3:30 P.M. ET | KNOXVILLE, TENN. | NEYLAND STADIUM (101,915)



TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

1-0 (0-0 SEC)

Head Coach: Josh Heupel
Record at UT: 38-15 (.717) // fifth season
Career Record: 66-23 (.742) // eighth season
Rankings: AP - 22 // Coaches - 17



ETSU BUCCANEERS

1-0 (0-0 SoCon)

VS

Head Coach: Will Healy
Record at ETSU: 1-0 (.000) // first season
Career Record: 29-45 (.392) // eighth season
FCS Rankings: Stats Perform - RV // Coaches - 24

STORYLINES

• **FOOTBALL TIME IN TENNESSEE:** Tennessee makes its 2025 Neyland Stadium debut at 3:30 p.m. ET Saturday against in-state foe ETSU. The contest will be streamed on ESPN+ and SEC Network+. Neyland Stadium is sold out for the 21st consecutive contest, and the Vols have won eight in a row in Neyland and are 20-1 since 2022 in the venue, which opens its gates for the 104th season dating back to its inception as Shields-Watkins Field in 1921. Tennessee is 499-141-17 (.772) all-time on the field at Shields-Watkins Field and is one victory away from 500 on the historic property. Tennessee is 12-1 vs. non-SEC teams in Neyland under head coach **Josh Heupel** (2021 loss to Pitt in his second game). The two teams are meeting for just the second time and first since Sept. 8, 2018, in a game won 59-3 by the Volunteers. Tennessee, who was picked to finish ninth in the SEC, has won 12 of its last 14 regular season games, including a 45-26 win over Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game Saturday in Atlanta. ETSU opened the Will Healy era defeating Murray State, 45-17, in Johnson City. The Bucs are ranked No. 24 in this week's FCS Coaches poll. Saturday is the first of three straight home games for the Vols with an SEC opener vs. Georgia next week and UAB on Sept. 20 on deck.

• **ANOTHER DOMINANT OPENER:** Tennessee improved to 5-0 in season openers under **Josh Heupel** with a 45-26 throttling of Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game in Atlanta. The Vols have now outscored opponents 260-58 in openers under Heupel. App State grad transfer Sr. QB **Joey Aguilar**, making his first Vol start, accounted for 281 yards of total offense and was 16-of-28 for 247 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions. Aguilar fired the longest pass play in the SEC in Week 1 when he connected for a 73-yard bomb to RS-Fr. WR **Braylon Staley** with 11:14 left in the second quarter. The Vols rushed for 246 yards and averaged 6.2 per carry, while finishing with 493 yards of total offense. Tennessee was a perfect 5-of-5 in the redzone, and the Vols answered with touchdowns on their following drives after Syracuse touchdowns three times. Duke transfer RB **Star Thomas** had a game-high 92 rushing yards and caught a 7-yard touchdown pass. RB **DeSean Bishop**, making his first career start, finished with 82 rushing yards and a score. Six different Vols scored on the day, including transfer CB **Colton Hood**, who recorded a 22-yard scoop-and-score on DL **Nathan Robinson's** strip sack with 0:56 left in the first quarter. Tennessee's new-look offensive line did not allow a sack on the day, while the defense registered five sacks, representing the Vols' most since the 2024 Citrus Bowl. UT finished the day with 10 pass breakups - its most in a game since recording 10 at Georgia on Oct. 9, 2004. Jr. LB **Arion Carter** recorded a team-high nine tackles, including a sack and a tackle for loss. Sr. STAR **Jalen McMurray** and Jr. edge rusher **Joshua Josephs** each recorded seven stops with one sack apiece.

• **HEUPEL ERA:** **Josh Heupel** guided Tennessee to its winningest three-year stretch (30 from 2022-24) since the Vols won 30 games from 1998-2000. Since taking over a program that was 3-7 prior to his arrival, Heupel owns a 38-15 record and has won 13 of his last 16 games. Since 2018, he ranks sixth nationally among active FBS head coaches in victories with 66. His 37 wins through the first four full seasons were third-most by a UT coach, trailing only Bill Battle (39 from 1970-73) and Phillip Fulmer (38 from 1993-96). Of that group, only Heupel took over a program that was coming off a losing season prior to arrival. Heupel signed an extension through January 2030 on Aug. 26. Heupel's .717 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades, trailing only Fulmer's .745 in that span.

BY THE NUMBERS

10

pass breakups by the Vols in Week, tops in the SEC and tied for first in the FBS (WKU, Kansas State played 2 games)

288.2

average yards of total offense per game by QB **Joey Aguilar** in his FBS career, is the active FBS career leader in the category

31

games producing 200 rushing yards in the **Josh Heupel** era and own a 29-2 record when doing so (won 23 in a row when doing so)

18-3

non-conference record by UT in **Josh Heupel** era, including 16-1 in regular season (put up at least 30 points in all 17 reg. season games)

ON THE AIR

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Play-by-Play: Matt Schumacker

Analyst: Dustin Fox

Sideline Reporter: Stephanie Otey

RADIO: VOL NETWORK

Local: WIVK-FM 107.7 | WNML-FM 99.1

SiriusXM: Ch. 139 or Ch. 202

SiriusXM App: Ch. 964

Web: UTsports.com

App: Tennessee Athletics

Play-by-Play: Mike Keith

Analysts: Ramon Foster, Jayson Swain

Sideline Reporter: Brent Hubbs

RADIO: SPANISH BROADCAST

Local: WNML-AM 990

Play-by-Play: Carlos Lopez

Analyst: JP Vasquez

THE SCHEDULE

Home: 0-0 | **Away:** 0-0 | **Neutral:** 1-0

AUGUST (1-0)

30 vs. Syracuse[^] ABC W, 45-26

SEPTEMBER (0-0)

6 ETSU SECN+ 3:30 p.m.

13 #4/3 Georgia* ABC 3:30 p.m.

20 UAB SECN 12:45 p.m.

27 at Mississippi State* TBD Flex

OCTOBER

11 Arkansas* TBD Flex

18 at #21/20 Alabama* TBD Flex

25 at Kentucky* TBD Night

NOVEMBER

1 #18/24 Oklahoma* TBD Flex

15 New Mexico St. (HC) SECN 4:15 p.m.

22 at #13/15 Florida* TBD Flex

29 Vanderbilt* TBD Afternoon

* - denotes SEC game

[^] - denotes Aflac Kickoff Game (Atlanta)

Flex - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET or 6-8 p.m. ET

Afternoon - 3:30-4:30 p.m. ET

Night - 6-8 p.m. ET

THE COACHING STAFF

Josh Heupel, Head Coach (5th)

Alec Abeln[^], TE (5th, 3rd as TE)

Tim Banks[^], DC (5th)

Evan Crabtree, ST (4th, 1st as ST)

Glen Elarbee, OL (5th)

Rodney Garner, DL (7th, 5th on this staff)

Joey Halzle[^], OC/QB (5th, 3rd as OC)

Levon Harbin, OLB (5th, 1st as OLB)

William Inge, LB (2nd)

Willie Martinez, DB (9th, 5th on this staff)

Kelsey Pope, WR (5th, 4th as WR)

De'Rail Sims, RB (2nd)

() - denotes year at Tennessee

[^] - denotes in press box

MEDIA INFORMATION

COACH HEUPEL MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- **MONDAY:** Coach Heupel's weekly press conference will be held in person every Monday of game week at 12:15 p.m. ET in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. It will also be streamed live on UTsports.com and the UT Athletics YouTube page. There will be no Zoom option.
- **WEDNESDAY:** Coach Heupel takes part in the weekly SEC Teleconference each Wednesday at 11:50 a.m. ET. A confidential link to ask questions will be distributed via email.
- **POSTGAME:** For home games, Coach Heupel's postgame press conference will take place in person in the Stokely Family Media Center of Neyland Stadium. For road games, Coach Heupel's postgame press conference will be held in person in the visiting team's postgame room. On-demand video after the press conference will be distributed via Tennessee's media share folder.

ASSISTANT COACH MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- **TUESDAY:** One to two assistant coaches will be made available following practice on Tuesdays at approximately 11:20 a.m. in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center. There will be no Zoom option available.

STUDENT-ATHLETE MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- **MONDAY/TUESDAY:** Select student-athletes will be available following Coach Heupel's weekly press conference on Mondays in the north studio of the Neyland-Thompson Sports Center at approximately 12:30 p.m. Players will also be available following the assistant coach availabilities on Tuesday beginning at approximately 11:45 a.m. or depending on the schedule.
- **POSTGAME:** For home games, select student-athletes will be available in person on the stage in Stokely Family Media Center following Coach Heupel's postgame press conference. For road games, select players will be available in the visiting team's postgame room following Coach Heupel's press conference.
- Student-athletes' contact information will not be distributed.

THE MIKE KEITH SHOW - THURSDAYS

- *The Mike Keith Show*, hosted by the new Voice of the Vols, will feature a segment with head coach Josh Heupel on Thursdays during the season. *The Mike Keith Show* airs live from 3-5 p.m. ET Thursdays on the Tennessee Athletics YouTube Channel and participating Vol Radio Network affiliates across the state of Tennessee, including Knoxville flagship station WIVK 107.7 FM, on Thursday or Friday evenings.

BIG ORANGE REWIND - SUNDAYS

- "Voice of the Vols" Mike Keith and analyst Brent Hubbs will host a live, statewide radio show, *Big Orange Rewind* presented by Calhoun's, on Vol Radio Network affiliates from 6-8 p.m. ET during football season. An on-demand video replay of the show will be available on Mondays on YouTube.

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NEYLAND GAME DAY INFORMATION

- **MEDIA WILL CALL:** For those media members picking up their credentials, pickup is located at the Tennessee Strategic Communications Office on the ground floor of the Anderson Training Center on Fridays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. On gameday, credential pickup is located inside Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium. Gameday pickup opens four hours prior to kickoff.
- **MEDIA PARKING:** For those media members approved for media parking, parking passes are digital and accessed via mobile devices through email via Ticketmaster.
- **MEDIA ENTRANCE:** Media will enter the press box through Gate 15A on the west side of Neyland Stadium.
- **PRESS BOX:** The Tom Elam Press Box opens four hours prior to kickoff. A pregame meal will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. After entering Gate 15A, take the elevator to Level 5.
- **STOKELY FAMILY MEDIA CENTER:** Stokely Family Media Center on the field level of Neyland Stadium opens four hours prior to kickoff and is available for credentialed photographers/videographers. A pregame meal for photographers/videographers

will be served beginning two hours prior to kickoff. To access Stokely Family Media Center, take the elevator to Level 1, enter the stadium concourse, and walk north (left). Just inside Gate 21, take the stairs down to the Gate 21A ramp. Enter the field area and walk along the back of the north end zone to the media center, which is located in the northeast corner of Neyland Stadium. Access is also available through Gate 25.

- **PRINTABLES:** With the exception of flip cards and final game books, media materials will be available digitally in accordance with FWAA recommendations. This includes in-game stats and game notes. Digital links will be distributed prior to game day for game notes.
- **POSTGAME PRESS CONFERENCES:** Tennessee's home postgame press conference will be held in the Stokely Family Media Center. There will be no Zoom option. The visiting team postgame press conference will be held adjacent to the visitor's locker room in the south end zone of Neyland Stadium. Media can access this area via the south end zone tunnel. On-demand video of Tennessee's press conference will be distributed via Tennessee's media share folder.

COLLEGEPRESSBOX.COM is the official media website for FBS football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. Register for access at collegepressbox.com/register.



WEEK 2 MEDIA SCHEDULE: ETSU (subject to change, all times Eastern)

SUNDAY [31]	MONDAY [1]	TUESDAY [2]	WEDNESDAY [3]	THURSDAY [4]	FRIDAY [5]	MONDAY [6]
off day no media availability	12:15 p.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel Press Conference followed by select players in north studio	approx. 11:20 a.m. ET - post practice assistant coach media availability (OC Joey Halze, DB Willie Martinez) followed by select players in north studio	11:50 a.m. ET - Head Coach Josh Heupel on SEC Media Teleconference	no media availability 1 p.m. - Neyland Stadium Media Tour 3-5 p.m. - <i>The Mike Keith Show</i> on Tennessee Athletics YouTube	no media availability	Game 2: vs. ETSU 3:30 p.m. Neyland Stadium ESPN+ • Vol Network Postgame Coach Heupel and select players available in Stokely Media Center

SERIES HISTORY vs. ETSU

2ND MEETING

TENNESSEE LEADS (1-0)

in Knoxville: 1-0

in Johnson City: N/A

at Neutral Site: N/A

Biggest Win: 56 points (59-3, 2018 in Knoxville)

Biggest Loss: N/A

Longest Winning Streak: 1 game (2018-pres.)

Longest Losing Streak: N/A

Current Streak: Tennessee 1 game

2018 Knoxville W 59-3

TOP PERFORMANCES vs. ETSU

RUSHING

Rushing Yards:

65, Tim Jordan, 2018

100-Yard Rushing Games:

N/A

Touchdowns:

2 (2x), Jeremy Banks, 2018; Madre London, 2018

Attempts:

15, Tim Jordan, 2018

Longest Rush:

34 Yards, Madre London, 2018

RECEIVING

Receiving Yards:

78, Marquez Callaway, 2018

100-Yard Rec. Games:

N/A

Touchdowns:

1, Jordan Murphy, 2018

Catches:

5, Marquez Callaway, 2018

Longest Reception:

51 (2x), Marquez Callaway, 2018; Josh Palmer, 2018

PASSING

Passing Yards:

154, Jarrett Guarantano, 2018

Completions:

8, Jarrett Guarantano, 2018

Attempts:

13, Jarrett Guarantano, 2018

Touchdowns:

1, Keller Chryst, 2018

Longest Pass:

51 (2x), Guarantano to Callaway, 2018; Guarantano to Palmer, 2018

NOTING THE TENNESSEE-ETSU SERIES

- Tennessee and ETSU are meeting for just the second time. The Vols won the Sept. 8, 2018, meeting 59-3 in Neyland Stadium in what was Jeremy Pruitt's second game as head coach.
- A total of 108 miles separate the two campuses from Knoxville to Johnson City.
- ETSU senior tight end Charlie Browder, a Kingsport native, played for the Vols from 2022-23, before transferring to the Bucs.
- Excluding the 2020 SEC-only COVID season, this is the seventh consecutive year that the Vols are playing at least one non-conference opponent from the state of Tennessee.
- The Vols own an 8-0 record vs. in-state foes under **Josh Heupel**: 4-0 vs. Vanderbilt, 1-0 vs. Austin Peay, 1-0 vs. Chattanooga, 1-0 vs. Tennessee Tech and 1-0 vs. UT Martin. All six of those wins have come by 27 points or more.
- Tennessee quarterback **Joey Aguilar** opened his 2024 season last year against ETSU when he was at App State. Aguilar was 22-of-36 for 326 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions. He also rushed for two scores in the game, accounting for four total touchdowns.

STAT COMPARISON

CATEGORY	TENNESSEE		ETSU	
	VALUE	SEC (FBS) RANK	VALUE	SOCON (FCS) RANK
3rd D Conv. Pct.	0.583	6 (22)	0.500	1 (20)
3rd D Conv. Pct. Defense	0.357	12 (72)	0.167	1 (5)
4th D Conv. Pct.	0.00	9 (95)	1.000	1 (1)
4th D Conv. Pct Defense	0.750	11 (91)	0.667	7 (74)
Blocked Kicks	---	---	---	---
Completion Pct.	0.571	12 (92)	0.680	3 (25)
Fewest Penalties P/G	7.00	7 (72)	5.00	2 (26)
Fewest Penalty Yds P/G	65.00	10 (94)	53.00	7 (57)
First Downs Defense	24	15 (103)	18	1 (34)
First Downs Offense	22	11 (64)	31	1 (9)
Fumbles Lost	1	12 (84)	1	5 (58)
Fumbles Recovered	1	3 (15)	---	---
Kickoff Return Defense	0.00	1 (1)	12.75	2 (25)
Kickoff Returns	24.00	6 (28)	9.00	9 (96)
Net Punting	43.75	8 (40)	36.00	7 (62)
Passes Had Intercepted	0	1 (1)	1	6 (61)
Passes Intercepted	1	1 (19)	2	1 (5)
Passing Offense	247.0	11 (48)	180.0	4 (57)
Passing Yds Allowed	274.0	14 (110)	226.0	4 (63)
Passing Yds per Comp.	15.44	2 (9)	10.59	4 (57)
Punt Return Defense	0.00	1 (4)	0.00	1 (6)
Punt Returns	2.00	11 (80)	9.00	3 (26)
Red Zone Defense	0.800	9 (61)	1.000	3 (65)
Red Zone Offense	1.000	1 (1)	0.857	4 (59)
Rushing Defense	103.0	10 (54)	34.0	1 (11)
Rushing Offense	246.0	3 (23)	392.0	1 (2)
Sacks Allowed	0.00	1 (1)	1.00	1 (23)
Scoring Defense	26.0	14 (95)	17.0	3 (35)
Scoring Offense	45.0	5 (22)	45.0	1 (11)
Tackles for Loss Allowed	3.00	6 (19)	3.00	1 (11)
Team Passing Efficiency	166.60	8 (34)	133.68	1 (35)
Team Passing Effic. Defense	118.29	11 (75)	115.10	3 (40)
Team Sacks	5.00	1 (3)	4.00	2 (10)
Team Tackles for Loss	7.0	2 (31)	9.0	2 (9)
Time of Possession	25:29	15 (111)	31:09	2 (40)
Total Defense	377.0	13 (93)	260.0	1 (21)
Total Offense	493.0	5 (23)	572.0	1 (5)
Turnover Margin	1.00	5 (27)	0.00	1 (37)
Turnovers Gained	2	1 (22)	2	1 (23)
Turnovers Lost	1	9 (53)	2	6 (70)

THE LAST MEETING

ETSU	0	0	3	0	3
TENNESSEE	10	28	7	14	59

Sept. 8, 2018 | Neyland Stadium | Knoxville, Tenn. | Attendance: 96,464

Vols Cruise Past Bucs, 59-3

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. - The Tennessee Volunteers defeated in-state foe ETSU in dominant fashion, 59-3, in Neyland Stadium on Sept. 8, 2018.

Six Vols recorded the first touchdowns of their respective Tennessee careers in the win, led by running backs Jeremy Banks and Madre London with two rushing scores apiece. Josh Palmer, now with the Buffalo Bills, entered the checkerboards on a 20-yard end-around rush, and Jordan Murphy hauled in a 50-yard pass to round out UT's offensive touchdowns.

Junior defensive back Marquill Osborne found the end zone for the first time on a blocked punt return, while redshirt-junior linebacker Darrin Kirkland Jr. added a defensive touchdown with his first-career pick-six.

Redshirt-sophomore quarterback Jarrett Guarantano led the passing attack for the Big Orange, connecting on 8-of-13 attempts for 154 yards. Grad transfer QB Keller Chryst saw action for the second-straight week and completed all three of his passes for 70 yards and a touchdown. Sophomore RB Tim Jordan led all players with 65 yards in 15 attempts on the ground, while junior wideout Marquez Callaway logged a game-high five catches and 78 yards through the air.

STAT LEADERS

ETSU					
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Saylors	8	41	0	23	5.1
Holmes	10	35	0	18	3.5
Herink	2	27	0	33	13.5
Marchi	3	9	0	7	3.0
Monroe	3	9	0	4	3.0
Thompson	3	4	0	5	1.3
Totals	29	125	0	33	4.3

ETSU					
Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	
Marchi	11-26-2	72	0	18	
Herink	1-3-0	-3	0	0	
Totals	12-29-2	69	0	18	

ETSU					
Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long	
Coffee	4	30	0	16	
Werts	3	18	0	7	
Saylors	2	18	0	18	
Harrison	1	8	0	8	
Marchi	1	-2	0	0	
Adkins	1	-3	0	0	
Totals	12	69	0	18	

TENNESSEE					
Rushing	Att	Yds	TD	Long	Avg.
Jordan	15	65	0	16	4.3
Banks	13	62	2	15	4.8
London	8	47	2	34	5.9
Palmer	1	20	1	20	20.0
Fant	3	7	0	6	2.3
Team	3	-5	0	0	-1.7
Guarantano	1	-6	0	0	-6.0
Totals	44	190	5	34	4.3

TENNESSEE					
Passing	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Long	
Guarantano	8-13-0	154	0	51	
Chryst	3-3-0	70	1	50	
Total	11-16-0	224	1	51	

TENNESSEE					
Receiving	No.	Yds	TD	Long	
Callaway	5	78	0	51	
Murphy	3	75	1	50	
Palmer	1	51	0	51	
Wood-Anderson	1	12	0	12	
Jennings	1	8	0	8	
Totals	11	224	1	51	

SCORING SUMMARY

Qtr	Time	Team	Scoring Play	P-Yds	TOP	Score
1st	09:32	UT	Cimaglia,B. 26 yd field goal	8-58	3:07	0-3
1st	02:49	UT	Osborne,M. 8 yd blocked punt return (Cimaglia,B. kick)	---	---	0-10
2nd	09:27	UT	Banks,J. 1 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	6-82	2:34	0-17
2nd	09:12	UT	Banks,J. 3 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	1-3	0:05	0-24
2nd	07:41	UT	Kirkland Jr.,D. 33 yd interception return (Cimaglia,B. kick)	---	---	0-31
2nd	03:00	UT	Palmer,J. 20 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	7-69	3:04	0-38
3rd	10:58	UT	London,M. 3 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	10-75	4:02	0-45
3rd	06:01	ETSU	Jerman,JJ. 39 yd field goal	11-54	4:57	3-45
4th	13:34	UT	Murphy,J. 50 yd pass from Chryst,K. (Cimaglia,B. kick)	3-65	1:18	3-52
4th	03:20	UT	London,M. 4 yd run (Cimaglia,B. kick)	6-19	3:40	3-59

NATIONAL POLLS

ASSOCIATED PRESS (SEPT. 2)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Ohio State (55)	1636	1-0
2	Penn State (7)	1558	1-0
3	LSU (3)	1514	1-0
4	Georgia	1410	1-0
5	Miami (Fla.)	1360	1-0
6	Oregon (1)	1302	1-0
7	Texas	1293	0-1
8	Clemson	1135	0-1
9	Notre Dame	1068	0-1
10	South Carolina	882	1-0
11	Illinois	855	1-0
12	Arizona State	850	1-0
13	Florida	737	1-0
14	Florida State	705	1-0
15	Michigan	686	1-0
16	Iowa State	566	2-0
17	SMU	561	1-0
18	Oklahoma	519	1-0
19	Texas A&M	424	1-0
20	Ole Miss	393	1-0
21	Alabama	360	0-1
22	Tennessee	339	1-0
23	Indiana	257	1-0
24	Texas Tech	247	1-0
25	Utah	227	1-0

RV: BYU 102, Auburn 94, Georgia Tech 67, Southern Cal 64, Louisville 59, TCU 49, Missouri 42, South Florida 25, Tulane 18, Nebraska 13, Kansas St. 7, James Madison 4, Liberty 4, UNLV 4, Duke 4, Navy 2, Pittsburgh 2, Baylor 2, Virginia 2, Memphis 2.

AFCA COACHES (SEPT. 2)

Rank	School	Points	Record
1	Ohio State (59)	1666	1-0
2	Penn State (6)	1574	1-0
3	Georgia (1)	1518	1-0
4	LSU (1)	1469	1-0
5	Oregon	1381	1-0
6	Texas	1339	0-1
7	Miami (Fla.)	1304	1-0
8	Clemson	1067	0-1
9	Notre Dame	1038	0-1
10	Arizona State	957	1-0
11	South Carolina	915	1-0
12	Illinois	909	1-0
13	Michigan	725	1-0
14	Ole Miss	668	1-0
15	Florida	638	1-0
16	SMU	602	1-0
17	Tennessee	563	1-0
18	Iowa State	518	2-0
19	Florida State	491	1-0
20	Alabama	390	0-1
21	Indiana	369	1-0
22	Texas A&M	363	1-0
23	Texas Tech	253	1-0
24	Oklahoma	251	1-0
25	BYU	163	1-0

RV: Utah 117, Louisville 95, Missouri 88, Kansas State 79, Tulane 45, USC 41, Auburn 41, TCU 33, Iowa 23, Navy 17, Georgia Tech 17, Nebraska 13, Memphis 11, South Florida 9, Duke 5, Kansas 4, Washington 3, Vanderbilt 2, FIU 1.

VOLS IN THE POLLS WEEK-BY-WEEK

Week	AP	Coaches
Preseason	24	18
Week 2 (9/2)	22	17

The first College Football Playoff Rankings will be announced on Tuesday, Nov. 4 at 8 p.m. ET.

2025 PRESEASON HONORS

Head Coach Josh Heupel

- Dodd Trophy Watch List

Special Teams Coordinator Evan Crabtree

- 247Sports 30 Under 30 List

Joey Aguilar, QB, Sr.

- Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List
- Manning Award Stars of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/2)

DeSean Bishop, RB, R-So.

- Doak Walker Award Watch List
- All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Chris Brazzell II, WR, R-Jr.

- Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)

Arion Carter, LB, Jr.

- Bednarik Award Watch List
- Butkus Award Watch List
- All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- All-SEC Third Team (Media, Coaches)

Boo Carter, DB, So.

- All-SEC Third Team (Media, Coaches)
- All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Bryson Eason, DL, R-Sr.

- Allstate Wuerffel Trophy Watch List
- Allstate/AFCA Good Hands Team Nominee
- All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

Rickey Gibson III, DB, Jr.

- All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

Max Gilbert, PK, R-So.

- Lou Groza Award Watch List

Colton Hood, DB, R-So.

- SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1)

Lance Heard, OL, Jr.

- All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

Joshua Josephs, DL, Sr.

- All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

Miles Kitselman, TE, R-Sr.

- Mackey Award Watch List
- All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

Jermody McCoy, DB, Jr.

- Bednarik Award Watch List
- Nagurski Award Watch List
- Thorpe Award Watch List
- Lott IMPACT Trophy Watch List
- ESPN Top 100 Players List (No.31)
- All-America - 1st Team (AP, Athlon, ESPN, PFF, Sporting News, Walter Camp)
- All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media)
- Senior Bowl Top 300 List

NOTEBOOK

JOEY FOOTBALL TIME

- Tennessee is starting a new quarterback for the fourth straight season as graduate transfer **Joey Aguilar** takes the reins after earning the job in preseason camp. The Vols and Kentucky are the only SEC teams to start a new QB for four straight years from 2022-25. Tennessee is one of four teams who reached last year's College Football Playoff to start a new QB for at least four straight years, joining Ohio State, Notre Dame and Indiana. The Vols started Hendon Hooker in 2022, Joe Milton III in 2023 and Nico Iamaleava in 2024.
- **Aguilar's** unique timeline includes stops at City College of San Francisco (2019), Diablo Valley Community College in central California (2021-22), Appalachian State (2023-24) and UCLA (spring of 2025). After completing his senior season at App State, Aguilar entered the portal on Dec. 24, 2024, before committing to UCLA on Dec. 28, 2024. He spent the spring in Los Angeles and entered the transfer portal on April 21, committing to Tennessee. Aguilar graduated from App State in communication studies on May 10, 2025, before arriving in Knoxville in late May. He began the Vols' summer program on June 1, went through preseason camp, and the 24-year-old was named the starter on Sunday, Aug. 17.
- **Aguilar** is the FBS active career leader in total offense per game (288.2, min. 2,500 yards). That mark is 19.3 yards per game better than second place held by E.J. Warner of Fresno State (268.9). Aguilar is second in career passing yards per game (269.5) among active FBS players. Warner is first (269.7).
- **Aguilar** will be making his 26th FBS start in his 27th career FBS game when he takes Shields-Watkins Field for the first time. Aguilar owns a 14-11 overall record and a 1-0 mark as a starter at Tennessee.
- As a junior in 2003, **Aguilar** broke three single-season records at App State, including touchdown passes (33), passing yards (3,757) and total offense (4,002). For his FBS career, he has produced 7,493 yards of total offense - 7,007 passing yards and 486 rushing yards.
- **Aguilar** is the first Tennessee starting quarterback to wear No. 6 since Alan Cockrell did from 1982-83. **Aguilar** is just the second UT player to hail from Antioch, California. Offensive tackle Albert Toeaina (2004-05) did as well and also began his career at City College of San Francisco.
- **Aguilar** made his Tennessee debut against Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game, accounting for 281 yards of total offense - 247 passing and 34 rushing. He was 16-of-28 with three touchdowns and no picks. It was the 12th three-or-more TD passing game for Aguilar in his FBS career. He did it 11 times at App State. Aguilar has thrown for over 200 yards in all 25 of his previous FBS starts.
- The big blow in **Aguilar's** debut was a 73-yard strike to WR **Braylon Staley** in the second quarter. The completion was also the third longest of Aguilar's career after connecting on passes of 83 yards (vs. ETSU in 2024) and 77 yards (at Georgia State in 2023) during his time with App State.
- The 73-yard bomb by **Aguilar** to **Staley** was the longest pass play in the SEC in Week 1 and tied for the longest in the Power Four. Southern Cal's Jayden Maiava and Eli Sanders also had a 73-yarder vs. Missouri State.

15 STRAIGHT NON-CONFERENCE REGULAR SEASON WINS

- Tennessee puts its non-conference regular season winning streak on the line. The Vols have won 15 non-SEC regular season games in a row. The current streak dates back to a Sept. 18, 2021, a 56-0 victory vs. Tennessee Tech. The Vols' last non-conference regular season loss was to Pitt on Sept. 11, 2021, in what was **Josh Heupel's** second game at UT.
- Tennessee is 18-3 overall vs. non-SEC foes under **Josh Heupel**. UT has outscored non-conference opponents 1,012-314 in the Heupel era.
- The Vols have won 15 of their last 16 games overall vs. non-conference competition with the only loss occurring last December at eventual national champion Ohio State in the College Football Playoff.

21 VOLS MAKE DEBUT VS. SYRACUSE

- Twenty-one Vols made their Tennessee debuts in the Aflac Kickoff Game win over Syracuse in Atlanta. Fifteen of those 21 made their collegiate debuts overall, including 15 true freshmen. The list includes: Sr. QB **Joey Aguilar**, Fr. LB **Brenden Anes***, Fr. RB **Justin Baker***, Fr. TE **DaSaahn Brame***, Fr. DL **Mariyon Dye***, Fr. LB **Jaedon Harmon***, RS-So. CB **Colton Hood**, Fr. WR **Radarious Jackson***, Fr. DB **Timothy Merritt***, RS-Jr. OL **Wendell Moe Jr.**, Fr. RB **Daune Morris***, RS-So. OL **Sam Pendleton**, Fr. LB **Jadon Perlotte***, Fr. DB **Tre Poteat***, Fr. CB **Ty Redmond***, RS-Jr. DL **Josh Schell**, Fr. WR **Travis Smith Jr.**, Sr. RB **Star Thomas**, Fr. DL **Ethan Utley***, Fr. TE **Jack Van Dorselaer*** and Fr. DB **Sidney Walton***.

* - denotes collegiate debut

11 PLAYERS MADE FIRST TENNESSEE START VS. SYRACUSE

- A total of 11 players - eight on offense and three on defense - made their first Tennessee starts in the Aflac Kickoff Game. Six of the 11 made their first collegiate starts overall - five on offense and one on defense.
- The UT first-time starters vs. Syracuse included: QB **Joey Aguilar** (24 starts at App State), RB **DeSean Bishop**, S **Edrees Farooq**, CB **Colton Hood** (1 start at Colorado), WR **Mike Matthews**, RG **Wendell Moe Jr.** (27 starts at Arizona), DT **Jaxson Moi** (8 starts at Stanford), C **Sam Pendleton** (7 starts at Notre Dame), RT **Jesse Perry**, WR **Braylon Staley** and LG **Shamurad Umarov**.

VOLS AMONG NATION'S BEST IN ONE-TD GAMES

- Tennessee has proven to be among the nation's best in tight games. The Vols are 7-1 in one-touchdown games (decided by 8 points or less) since the start of the 2022 season.
- UT added to that total in back-to-back weeks last season with a 23-17 overtime victory over Florida on Oct. 12 and a 24-17 comeback win over No. 7 Alabama on Oct. 19.
- The Vols' only loss during that span was at Arkansas on Oct. 5, 2024. Of those seven wins, four have come vs. ranked teams - #17 Pitt (2022), #20 Florida (2022), #3/1 Alabama (2022) and #7/7 Alabama (2024). The other three were vs. Kentucky (2023), Texas A&M (2023) and Florida (2024).

2025 PRESEASON HONORS

Wendell Moe Jr., OL, R-Jr.

- On3 Preseason All-Transfer Portal Team

Jaxson Moi, DL, Sr.

- Polynesian College Player of the Year Award Watch List

Jackson Ross, P, R-Jr.

- All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)

David Sanders Jr., OL, Fr.

- Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award Watch List
- On3 True Freshman Preseason All-America Team

Braylon Staley, WR, R-Fr.

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1)

Star Thomas, RB, Sr.

- Doak Walker Award Watch List

QUICK FACTS

Location (Founded): Knoxville, Tenn. (1794)

Conference: Southeastern

Enrollment: 36,954

Colors: Orange & White

Nickname: Volunteers

Mascot: Smokey XI

Band: Pride of the Southland

Chancellor: Donde Plowman

Director of Athletics: Danny White

Facility (Opened): Neyland Stadium (1921)

Capacity: 101,915 (Sixth-largest in CFB)

On-Field Record at Neyland: 499-141-17 (.772)

NCAA Record at Neyland: 493[^]-141-17 (.770)

First Year of Football: 1891 (129th season)

All-Time NCAA Record: 876[^]-418-54 (.670)

All-Time On-Field Record: 887-418-54 (.672)

All-Time SEC NCAA Record: 356[^]-235-19 (.598)

All-Time SEC On-Field Record: 364-235-19 (.603)

SEC Championships: 13

(1998, 1997, 1990, 1989, 1985, 1969, 1967, 1956, 1951, 1946, 1940, 1939, 1938)

SEC Eastern Division Championships: 5

(2007, 2004, 2001, 1998, 1997)

SEC Championship Games: 5

National Championships: 6

(1998, 1967, 1951, 1950, 1940, 1938)

BCS Titles: 1 (1998)

College Football Playoff Appearances: 1

(2024)

[^] - denotes 11 wins from 2019-20 were vacated by NCAA Committee on Infractions penalty ruling in July 2023

Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 45/39

Offense: 15/21

Defense: 26/16

Specialists: 4/2

Starters Returning/Lost: 11/11

Offense: 3/8

Defense: 8/3

NOTEBOOK

- The 87.50 win percentage for Tennessee in one-score games since the start of the 2022 season is the best in the SEC and second-best in the FBS behind Coastal Carolina (10-1, 90.91). Michigan and Ohio are tied for third with a 83.33 percentage (10-2).

BROYLES AWARD FINALIST DEFENSIVE COORDINATOR TIM BANKS RETURNS

- Tennessee produced a Broyles Award finalist for the second time in three years when defensive coordinator **Tim Banks** was named one of five finalists in 2024. Banks returns for his fifth season at the helm of the Vol defense. Banks' unit has finished in the top 20 nationally in back-to-back years in yards per play - fifth in 2024 (4.56) and 19th in 2023 (4.97).
- Banks** was the second coordinator under **Josh Heupel** to be a finalist for the prestigious accolade and the third in the history of the program. Offensive coordinator and current USF head coach Alex Golesh was a finalist in 2022, and offensive coordinator David Cutcliffe won the award in 1998. **Banks** was the first Tennessee defensive coordinator to be a finalist.

RACKING UP NEGATIVE PLAYS DEFENSIVELY, VOLS NO. 1 IN SEC IN SACKS

- Tim Banks'** defensive unit is known for making plays in the backfield. Tennessee has racked up 404.0 tackles for loss under Banks (since 2021), which leads the SEC during that span.
- The Vols have finished in the top 15 nationally and top two in the SEC in tackles for loss in all four previous seasons under **Banks**. Four out of the 12 highest tackle-for-loss seasons in Tennessee history have occurred under his watch - 2021 (fifth - 102), 2022 (12th - 94), 2023 (seventh - 101) and 2024 (eighth - 100).
- 26 times in the **Tim Banks/Josh Heupel** era have the Vols registered at least three sacks in a game, and they are 24-2 in those contests when doing so with the only losses coming at Alabama on Oct. 21, 2023, and at Mizzou on Nov. 11, 2023. Tennessee added that total in its Aflac Kickoff Game win vs. Syracuse with five sacks for 39 yards, which led the SEC in Week 1. The five total sacks is tied for fifth in the FBS, and the 5.0 sacks per game is tied for third in the FBS.
- The Vols have tallied double-digit tackles for loss in a game under **Banks** 14 times, including four times last season. In 2024, Tennessee had 13.0 vs. NC State, 11.0 at Oklahoma, 12.0 vs. Florida, and a Banks era high 15.0 vs. UTEP. The 15.0 tackles for loss were the most by the Vols in a game since registering 15.5 tackles for loss in a Sept. 2, 2000, win over Southern Miss.
- Despite the departure of 2025 NFL Draft first round pick edge rusher **James Pearce Jr.**, Tennessee returns five out of its top seven tackle-for-loss leaders from a year ago. Sr. edge rusher **Joshua Josephs** collected 9.0 last season, while Sr. DT **Bryson Eason** had 7.0 and Jr. LB **Arion Carter** notched 6.5. Josephs and Carter each notched sacks in the season opener vs. Syracuse.
- In terms of total tackles, the Vols bring back six of their top eight leading tacklers headlined by preseason All-SEC LB **Arion Carter**, who had 68 a year ago. Jr. CB **Jermod McCoy** is back and was third on the team in tackles with 44, while Jr. LB **Jeremiah Telander** was fourth with 43. Carter led the Vols with nine total tackles in the opener vs. Syracuse.

SPECIAL TEAMS SUCCESS

- Tennessee has thrived on special teams in the **Josh Heupel** era. **Evan Crabtree** takes over special teams coordinator duties in 2025, but served on Heupel's staff from 2022-24 as a special teams graduate assistant and analyst.
- Tennessee has ranked either first or second in the SEC in punt return average in all four of Heupel's previous seasons. The Vols led the SEC and ranked ninth in the nation a season ago with 15.7 yards per return. Their 424 total punt return yards led the nation.
- Under Heupel, the Vols have produced an SEC Special Teams Player of the Year (RS Velus Jones Jr. in 2021), an SEC All-Freshman punter (**Jackson Ross** in 2023, back in 2025) and the school's all-time career leader in punt return average (Dee Williams 15.4 from 2022-23).
- Tennessee has blocked nine kicks in the Heupel era (2021-present), including six blocked punts:

Blocked Kicks/Punts in Josh Heupel Era (2021-pres.)

(9 - 6 blocked punts, 2 blocked PAT, 1 blocked FG)

Date	Opponent	Play	Quarter
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Christian Charles blocked punt	1Q
10/23/21	at Alabama	De'Shawn Rucker blocked punt	3Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Da'Jon Terry blocked PAT	1Q
10/29/22	Kentucky	Kalib Perry blocked punt	2Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Omari Thomas blocked PAT	1Q
9/16/23	at Florida	Bryson Eason blocked 46-yd field goal attempt	1Q
9/23/23	UTSA	Jourdan Thomas blocked punt	1Q
11/25/23	Vanderbilt	Kalib Perry blocked punt	1Q
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Jordan Ross blocked punt, returned 13 yds for TD	4Q

NEW-LOOK OFFENSIVE LINE SHINES IN DEBUT

- Tennessee's offensive line will have a new look in 2025 following the departure of four starters. Jr. OT **Lance Heard** is the returning starter. Heard started 11 games at left tackle a year ago and enters his second season with the program after transferring from LSU.
- The Vols have a new starter at center for the first time since the 2021 season. Cooper Mays, who was a 2024 first-team All-American, departed after starting the past four seasons from 2021-24. Mays was the fourth center in Tennessee history to be named an All-American and the first since Bob Johnson was a unanimous selection in 1967. Notre Dame transfer RS-So. **Sam Pendleton** got the start in the Syracuse opener and has not allowed a sack in his 17 FBS career games played.

VOL TRENDS

	HEUP		
	2025	AT UT	STK
August	1-0	1-0	W2
September	0-0	13-3	W5
October	0-0	10-4	W2
November	0-0	11-6	W2
December	0-0	1-2	L1
vs. above .500 (time of game)	0-0	17-14	L1
vs. below .500 (time of game)	0-0	12-0	W13
vs. at .500 (time of game)	1-0	8-1	W3
SEC at home	0-0	13-3	W5
SEC on road	0-0	7-9	W1
in Orange J/White P	1-0	18-1	W7
in Orange J/Orange P	0-0	6-1	W5
in White J/White P	0-0	7-7	L1
in White J/Orange P	0-0	1-4	L3
in Dark Mode	0-0	4-1	W3
in Smokey Grey	0-0	3-0	W3

UT vs. Non-Conference Opponents

overall	1-0	18-3	W1
at home	0-0	12-1	W11
on the road	0-0	1-2	L1
neutral	1-0	5-1	W5

UT Record In Games ...

decided by 7 pts or less	0-0	8-4	W2
decided by 3 pts or less	0-0	2-1	W1
Home during the day	0-0	14-2	W4
Home at night	0-0	11-2	W10
Road during the day	0-0	4-3	W1
Road at night	0-0	4-7	L3

UT Record When ...

scoring first	1-0	31-8	W2
opponent scores first	0-0	7-7	L1
leading after the 1st quarter	1-0	28-7	W1
trailing after the 1st quarter	0-0	4-7	L1
tied after the 1st quarter	0-0	6-1	W3
leading at halftime	1-0	34-1	W11
trailing at halftime	0-0	4-13	L1
tied at halftime	0-0	0-1	L7
halftime lead/deficit 4 pts	0-0	3-2	W1
leading after the 3rd quarter	1-0	36-2	W6
trailing after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-13	L8
tied after the 3rd quarter	0-0	1-0	W1
3rd qtr lead/deficit 4 pts	0-0	4-3	W2
tied after 4th quarter/OT	0-0	2-1	W2
turnover margin even	0-0	9-4	W1
turnover margin +1 or better	1-0	22-5	W1
turnover margin +2 or better	0-0	12-1	W9
turnover margin +3 or better	0-0	5-0	W9
turnover margin -1 or worse	0-0	7-6	W1
turnover margin -2 or worse	0-0	1-3	L3
turnover margin -3 or worse	0-0	0-1	L1
scoring less than 20 pts	0-0	0-9	L15
scoring 20 or more pts	1-0	38-5	W15
scoring 25 or more pts	1-0	35-4	W19
allowing 14 or fewer pts	0-0	19-0	W37
allowing 25 or fewer pts	0-0	31-1	W6
allowing 30 or more pts	0-0	3-13	L7

UT Record With ...

less than 300 yds total offense	0-0	0-3	L7
300+ yds total offense	1-0	38-12	W3
400+ yds total offense	1-0	33-5	W12
500+ yds total offense	0-0	16-2	W7
600+ yds total offense	0-0	8-1	W7
less than 100 yds rushing	0-0	1-4	L2
100+ yds rushing	1-0	36-11	W1
150+ yds rushing	1-0	33-6	W1
200+ yds rushing	1-0	29-2	W23
250+ yds rushing	0-0	14-1	W10
less than 200 yds passing	0-0	8-5	L2
less than 300 yds passing	1-0	26-12	W1
300+ yds passing	0-0	12-3	W3
350+ yds passing	0-0	8-2	W3
400+ yds passing	0-0	5-0	W6

NOTEBOOK

- Another FBS transfer is looking to make some noise at guard. The Vols brought in RS.-Jr. **Wendell Moe Jr.** from Arizona. He started 27 games at left guard for the Wildcats from 2022-24. Moe Jr. went through spring practice and owns two years of remaining eligibility, including this season. Moe is the Vols' most experienced offensive linemen with action on 1,775 offensive snaps. Moe started at right guard in the Syracuse opener and enters the ETSU game having not allowed a sack in 20 consecutive games.
- Two other Vols saw their first career starts in the Syracuse opener and shined in RS-So. **Sham Umarov** (left guard) and RFr. **Jesse Perry** (right tackle). Tennessee was one of four SEC teams who did not allow a sack in Week 1, joining Georgia, Kentucky and Texas A&M. The Vols were the only team who played a Power Four opponent from that group.
- Tennessee signed one of the most heralded recruits of the 2025 class in five-star offensive tackle **David Sanders Jr.**, from Charlotte. Sanders was the No. 1 offensive tackle in the country by Rivals and ESPN. Sanders is seeking to become the first true freshman to start on the offensive line for Tennessee since Darnell Wright and Wanya Morris started at the tackle positions in 2019. Wright started five games at right tackle as a true freshman. Wright, a former five-star recruit, is in his third NFL season as the starter at right tackle for the Chicago Bears. Morris, now with the Kansas City Chiefs, started 12 of 13 games at left tackle in 2019. Another prominent true freshman offensive line starter for the Vols was Trey Smith, who started all 12 games at tackle in 2017. Smith, a two-time Super Bowl champion with the Chiefs, became the highest paid offensive guard in NFL history in July at four years, \$94 million. Sanders did not play in the Syracuse opener due to injury.
- In 2024, UT's offensive line was named a semifinalist for the Joe Moore Award for the third consecutive season. The Vols joined Oregon as the only programs to be named semifinalists in 2022, 2023 and 2024.
- 13 times in the **Josh Heupel** era someone has earned SEC Offensive Lineman of the Week.

RUSHING IDENTITY: 2,500 RUSH YARDS FOR FOUR STRAIGHT SEASONS

- **Josh Heupel's** Tennessee teams have gone over 2,500 rushing yards for four straight seasons, which is a first in program history.
- It's no secret of the Vols' rushing success under **Heupel** as UT led the SEC in rushing in back-to-back seasons in 2023 and 2024. Tennessee was also ninth in the nation in 2024 (225.9) and 10th in the FBS in 2023 (204.5). The Vols were the only SEC team to average more than 200 rushing yards last season.
- They hit the 2,000-yard mark last season in the ninth game of the year vs. Mississippi State on Nov. 9. It was the second straight year that the Vols were the first SEC team to reach 2,000 rushing yards.
- Two out of the four highest single-season team rushing totals in program history have occurred in the **Heupel** era - second in 2024 (2,936) and fourth in 2021 (2,832). The school record is 3,068 in 1951.
- It was the first time since 1989-94 (six straight seasons) that the Vols have produced more than 2,000 rushing yards in at least four straight seasons.
- In now his eighth season as a head coach, **Heupel's** teams have gone over 2,000 rushing yards all seven previous seasons. His UCF teams rushed for 3,448 in 2018; 2,909 in 2019 and 2,107 during the COVID-shortened season of 2020.
- Tennessee continued its rushing prowess in its 2025 opener against Syracuse, rushing for 246 yards on 40 attempts and averaging 6.15 yards per carry. That was the third-highest total in the SEC in Week 1. Duke transfer **Star Thomas** led the way with 92 yards, and starter **DeSean Bishop** had 82 yards. Each averaged 7.5 yards or more per carry.

PASS DEFENSE LEADS SEC IN PASS BREAKUPS

- Despite the absence of preseason All-American cornerback **Jermod McCoy** due to injury, Tennessee's secondary shined in its opener against Syracuse. The Vols recorded an SEC-best 10 pass breakups in the victory, which is tied for the most in the FBS. Western Kentucky and Kansas State also have 10, but both of those teams have already played two games. The 10 pass breakups were the most by the Vols in a game since at least 2016.
- Colorado transfer cornerback **Colton Hood**, making his Tennessee debut and start, had three PBUs in the opener, which led the SEC. That total is tied for third in the FBS through one week. Safety **Edrees Farooq** added two and true freshman cornerback **Ty Redmond** had two as well. Redmond's total was the most by an FBS freshman in Week 1.

IMPACT NEW FBS TRANSFERS IN 2025

- Tennessee brought in seven **FBS** transfers, four of whom enrolled in January and went through spring practice. These are the **new** FBS transfers:
- Sr. QB **Joey Aguilar** - record-setting App State QB joined team in June, starting QB
- R-So. CB **Colton Hood** - began career at Auburn and started at Colorado in 2024, enrolled in June
- R-Fr. WR **Amari Jefferson** - Chattanooga native who redshirted last season at Alabama, enrolled in Jan.
- R-Fr. OL **Michael Kostantonov** - walk-on offensive lineman who joined team in August from Central Michigan
- R-Jr. OG **Wendell Moe Jr.** - Three-year Arizona starter at offensive guard, enrolled in January
- R-So. OL **Sam Pendleton** - Notre Dame transfer who enrolled in January
- Sr. RB **Star Thomas** - former New Mexico State/Duke standout, Duke's starter in 2024, enrolled in Jan.
- The 2025 roster is made up of 15 players who transferred to Tennessee from FBS schools.
- In addition, 23 of the Vols' 25 true freshmen signees enrolled at Tennessee in January and were present for spring practice. Two others - WR **Joakim Dodson** (Memphis) and DL **Charles House III** (Charlotte) arrived in June.

SCORING ON THE FIRST OFFENSIVE PLAY FROM SCRIMMAGE

- Five times during the **Josh Heupel** era (2021-present), Tennessee has scored on its first offensive play from scrimmage to start a game.

ON THIS DAY...

SEPT.
6

THE RECORD: 4-1
THE STREAK: W4
LAST TIME: W, 34-19
 def. Arkansas State
 in 2014

DID YOU KNOW:

A Peyton Manning-led Vols team traveled to the Rose Bowl on this date in 1997 to face UCLA. Manning threw for 341 yards and two touchdowns in a 30-24 victory.

VOLS IN THE NFL

NAME	TEAM	POS.	YR.
Derek Barnett	Texans	DE	9
Matthew Butler	Dolphins	DT	4
Jerome Carvin*	Jaguars	OL	3
Morgan Cox	Titans	LS	16
Joshua Dobbs	Patriots	QB	9
Princeton Fant*	Cowboys	TE	3
Kamal Hadden	Packers	DB	2
Hendon Hooker*	Panthers	QB	3
Jalin Hyatt	Giants	WR	3
Theo Jackson	Vikings	DB	4
Jauan Jennings	49ers	WR	5
Gabe Jeudy-Lally	Titans	CB	2
Jakob Johnson*	Texans	FB	8
Velus Jones Jr.	Saints	RB	4
Alvin Kamara	Saints	RB	9
Cade Mays	Panthers	OL	4
Jaylen McCollough	Rams	DB	2
Joe Milton III	Cowboys	QB	2
Omarr Norman-Lott	Chiefs	DT	1
Josh Palmer	Bills	WR	5
James Pearce Jr.	Falcons	OLB	1
Dylan Sampson	Browns	RB	1
Elijah Simmons*	Cardinals	DT	1
Trey Smith	Chiefs	OL	5
Alontae Taylor	Saints	DB	4
Darrell Taylor	Texans	OLB	5
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	Raiders	WR	1
Cedric Tillman	Browns	WR	3
Shy Tuttle	Titans	DT	7
Dee Williams*	Giants	CB	2
Darnell Wright	Bears	OL	3
Jaylen Wright	Dolphins	RB	2
Byron Young	Rams	OLB	3

* - denotes practice squad

^ - denotes IR

list is as of Aug. 31

NOTEBOOK

Scoring on UT's First Offensive Play From Scrimmage In Josh Heupel Era

Date	Opponent	Play	Result
9/11/21	Pittsburgh	Jabari Small 2-yd TD run following blocked punt	L, 41-34
11/6/21	at Kentucky	JaVonta Payton 75-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 45-42
9/1/22	Ball State	Jalin Hyatt 23-yd TD reception from H. Hooker	W, 59-10
9/23/23	UTSA	Joe Milton III 81-yd TD run	W, 45-14
11/18/23	Georgia	Jaylen Wright 75-yd TD run	L, 38-10

FAST STARTS IN HEUPEL ERA

- Tennessee outscores opponents 560-202 in the first quarter under **Josh Heupel**: 190-51 in 2021, 141-72 in 2022, 110-46 in 2023, 102-54 in 2024 and 17-0 in 2025. The Vols have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 41 of 53 games under Heupel.
- Josh Heupel** teams are known for quick starts. In 89 games as a head coach, Heupel's squads have outscored opponents 1,007-437 in the first quarter (560-202 at UT, 447-214 at UCF). Since 2018, no active Power 4 head coach scores more points per first quarter in a career than Heupel (11.31).
- From 2021-present under **Heupel**, the Vols are first in the nation in first-quarter scoring at 10.57 points per game. SMU is second at 9.74, and Ole Miss is third at 9.70.
- Heupel's** teams have scored at least one touchdown in the first quarter in 74 of the 89 games he has coached.
- Opponents managed only two first-quarter offensive touchdowns during the regular season last year on Tennessee (Kentucky 1, Vanderbilt 1). Syracuse did not have one in Week 1 this season.
- The Vols picked up right where they left off in the opener vs. Syracuse, outscoring the Orange, 17-0, in the first quarter and scoring on their first two drives.

TIGHT ENDS THRIVE IN HEUPEL SYSTEM

- Tennessee's tight ends have been productive under coach **Alec Abeln**. Vol tight ends have scored at least one touchdown in 10 out of the last 16 games dating back to the 2023 regular season finale. They have combined for 12 touchdowns during that 16-game stretch and eight in 2024 - seven receiving and one rushing.
- Back in 2025 thanks to the junior college ruling is senior captain **Miles Kitselman**. Kitselman, an Alabama transfer, enters his second season with the program and his fifth and final collegiate season. Kitselman started all 13 games in 2024, leading the unit with 301 receiving yards and four touchdowns. Kitselman added to his touchdown total in the 2025 season opener, hauling in a 2-yarder from **Joey Aguilar** with 3:57 left in the fourth quarter vs. Syracuse.
- In the **Josh Heupel** era (since 2021), tight ends have accounted for 30 touchdowns - 24 receiving and six rushing.

GAMES WITH A 100-YARD RECEIVER AND 100-YARD RUSHER

- Tennessee has produced 25 individual 100-yard receiving games in the **Josh Heupel** era.
- Nine times in the Heupel era (since 2021) have the Vols produced a 100-yard receiver and 100-yard rusher in the same game.

Date	Opponent	Rusher/Receiver	Result
10/9/21	So. Carolina	Evans (119)/Jones Jr. (103)	W, 45-20
11/27/21	Vanderbilt	Wright (112), Small (103)/Tillman (106)	W, 45-21
12/30/21	vs. Purdue	Small (180)/Tillman (150)	L, 48-45
9/24/22	#20 Florida	Hooker (112)/McCoy (102)	W, 38-33
10/8/22	at #25 LSU	Small (127)/McCoy (140)	W, 40-13
9/30/23	So. Carolina	Wright (123)/White (104)	W, 41-20
8/31/24	Chattanooga	Sampson (124)/Thornton Jr. (105)	W, 69-3
11/9/24	Miss. State	Sampson (149)/Thornton Jr. (104)	W, 33-14
11/30/24	at Vanderbilt	Sampson (178)/Thornton Jr. (118)	W, 36-23

IN JOSH HEUPEL'S 89 GAMES AS A HEAD COACH (UCF & UT)

- His teams have scored 30 points 69 times (36 times at Tennessee) and own a 61-8 record when doing so (33-3 at UT).
- His teams have scored 40 points 45 times (25 times at Tennessee, 24-1).
- His teams have scored 50 points 24 times (14 times at Tennessee, 14-0).
- His teams have scored 60 points eight times (seven times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 400 yards of total offense in a game 72 times (38 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 500 yards of total offense in a game 39 times (18 times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 600 yards of total offense in a game 21 times (nine times at Tennessee).
- His teams have put up 700 yards of total offense in a game four times (three at Tennessee).

Games Scoring 30+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

- Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 72
- Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 69**
- Kirby Smart, Georgia - 67

Games Scoring 40+ Points Since 2018 By Active Head Coach

- Lincoln Riley, Oklahoma, USC - 52
- Josh Heupel, UCF, Tennessee - 45**
- Dabo Swinney, Clemson - 43

NOTEBOOK

DEFENSIVE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE TIM BANKS ERA

- Tennessee has tallied 10 defensive touchdowns in the DC **Tim Banks**/HC **Josh Heupel** era. They are 8-0 when recording a defensive score.
- Tennessee added to that total in Week 1 vs. Syracuse in the Aflac Kickoff Game. With 0:56 remaining in the first quarter, DL **Nathan Robinson's** strip sack led CB **Colton Hood** to scoop it and score from 22 yards out. It was the second fumble return touchdown in the Heupel era and first since Tyler Baron's against UConn on Nov. 4, 2023.

Opponent	Date	Play
Tennessee Tech	9/18/21	Solon Page 31-yd interception return (3Q)
at Kentucky	11/6/21	Alontae Taylor 56-yd interception return (3Q)
Vanderbilt	11/27/21	Theo Jackson 55-yd interception return (1Q)
South Carolina	11/30/23	Kamal Hadden 28-yd interception return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Tyler Baron 24-yd fumble return (2Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Jaylen McCollough 30-yd interception return (3Q)
UConn	11/4/23	Aaron Beasley 39-yard interception return (3Q)
Iowa (Citrus)	1/1/24	James Pearce Jr. 52-yard interception return (4Q)
NC State	9/7/24	Will Brooks 85-yard interception return (2Q)
Syracuse	8/30/25	Colton Hood 22-yard fumble return on Nathan Robinson strip sack (1Q)

HEUPEL CLIMBING THE UT VICTORIES CHARTS

- Since the start of the 2018 season when **Josh Heupel** became a head coach, he has won 66 of the 89 games he has coached. That ranks sixth among active FBS head coaches during that span.
- Heupel** owns a 38-15 record in now his fifth season at Tennessee. That win total ranks seventh in UT history.

All-Time Tennessee Wins

- Gen. Robert Neyland - 173-31-12
- Phillip Fulmer - 152-52
- Johnny Majors - 116-62-8
- Bill Battle - 59-22-2
- Bowden Wyatt - 49-29-4
- Doug Dickey - 46-15-4

7. Josh Heupel - 38-15

- Of **Heupel's** 38 victories at Tennessee, 11 have come vs. ranked opponents at the time of the meeting. The Vols had only seven ranked wins in the six seasons combined prior to Heupel (2015-20). The 11 ranked wins are sixth among active FBS head coaches since the start of the 2021 season. They are also the fifth most by a UT coach in AP poll history. Heupel surpassed Bill Battle in the category with the win at Oklahoma on Sept. 21, 2024.
- Heupel** owns a 10-6 record vs. ranked teams since the start of the 2022 season, which is the fifth highest win mark among active FBS coaches in that time frame. Heupel also owns four wins over top 10 teams since 2022.

All-Time Wins vs. AP Ranked Teams at Tennessee

- Phillip Fulmer - 40 (17 years)
- Johnny Majors - 18 (16 years)
- Gen. Robert Neyland - 16 (21 years)
- Bowden Wyatt - 12 (8 years)
- Josh Heupel - 11 (5th year)**
- Bill Battle - 9 (7 years)
- Doug Dickey - 7 (6 years)

WINS BY SEC TEAMS SINCE START OF 2022 SEASON

- Tennessee ranks fourth in wins among SEC programs since the start of the 2022 season with 31.

Overall Wins By SEC Teams Since the Start of 2022 Season

- Georgia - 40
- Texas - 33 (2022, '23 seasons were in Big 12)
- Alabama - 32
- Tennessee - 31**
- LSU - 30
- Ole Miss - 30

WINNING THE TURNOVER BATTLE

- In **Josh Heupel's** 53 games as Tennessee's head coach, the Vols have won the turnover battle 27 times, only lost it 13 times and pushed it 13.
- The Vols own a 22-5 record when winning the turnover battle in his tenure.
- Tennessee owns a +27 combined turnover margin during **Heupel's** tenure. The +0.50 margin per game from 2021-present ranks 11th nationally and is second in the SEC.

- Last season, the Vols produced a +6 turnover margin, gaining 21 turnovers and committing 15. The +6 tied for fifth in the SEC.
- In the opener against Syracuse, the Vols were +1, forcing two and committing one.

JACKSON ROSS, A FIELD POSITION WEAPON

- Junior Australian native **Jackson Ross** is in his third season as the Vols' starting punter. Ross, who can punt with either foot, is a huge weapon in the field position game.
- Last season, Tennessee led the nation and SEC in percentage of punts downed inside the 10-yard line. A total of 15 of the Vols' 53 punts were inside the 10 (28.3 percent). Miami was the next closest at 24 percent (6 of 25).
- Ross** has also logged 20 punts of 50 or more yards in his career, including 10 last season and one already this season. Ross had a 56-yarder in the 2025 opener vs. Syracuse.

Jackson Ross 2024 Punt Breakdown

Opponent	Punts	I20	I10	I5
Chattanooga	1	0	0	0
NC State	1	1	1	0
Kent State	0	0	0	0
at Oklahoma	8	2	1	1
at Arkansas	7	2	2	0
Florida	7	3	2	0
Alabama	4	2	2	1
Kentucky	3	1	1	0
Miss. State	3	0	0	0
at Georgia	5	5	2	0
UTEP	6	3	3	3
Vanderbilt	1	1	1	1
at Ohio State	7	1	0	0
TOTALS	53	21	15	6

Jackson Ross 2025 Punt Breakdown

Opponent	Punts	I20	I10	I5
Syracuse	4	3	0	0
TOTALS	4	3	0	0

RECAPING 2024 CFP SEASON

- Tennessee won 10 regular season games for the second time in three years and secured its first berth to the College Football Playoff in 2024.
- UT finished No. 8 in the Coaches poll and No. 9 in the AP poll with a 10-3 overall record.
- The Vols were picked to finish seventh in the SEC and ended up tied for second in the final regular season standings at 6-2 with marquee wins over Alabama, Oklahoma and Florida. Tennessee earned the No. 9 seed in the CFP and lost at eventual national champion Ohio State, 42-17, in the first round on Dec. 21.
- The Vols produced the SEC Offensive Player of the Year for the second time in three years when RB Dylan Sampson led the SEC in rushing (114.7) and broke school records for rushing touchdowns (22) and rushing yards (1,491).
- UT issued just 16.1 points per game, which was seventh in the nation and the best by a Vol defense since the 1998 national championship team (14.5).
- DE James Pearce Jr. led the squad in tackles for loss (13) and sacks (7.5). Sampson (third round - Cleveland), Pearce (first round - Atlanta), DT Omarr Norman-Lott (second round - Kansas City) and WR Dont'e Thornton Jr. (fourth round - Las Vegas) were all selected in the 2025 NFL Draft.

SOLD OUT: 70,500 SEASON TICKETS PURCHASED AGAIN

- Tennessee exhausted its football season ticket inventory for the third straight season with 70,500 purchased.
- The Vols also have a season ticket wait list of over 24,000 entering the 2025 campaign. The department produced a record 97.8 percent season ticket renewal rate.
- With this season's ETSU, Georgia and UAB games already sold out, Tennessee's home sellout streak will extend to 23 straight games.

Tennessee Athletics Strategic Plan Football Season Ticket Goals

Year	Goal	Actual Sold
2022-23	56,000	61,490
2023-24	61,000	70,500 (sold out)
2024-25	68,000	70,500 (sold out)
2025-26	69,000	70,500 (sold out)
2026-27	70,000	TBD

NEYLAND STADIUM

PRESERVED BY **Pilot.**CAPACITY: **101,915** | OVERALL ON-FIELD RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: **499-141-17 (.772)** // OVERALL NCAA RECORD AT NEYLAND STADIUM: **493-141-17 (.770)**

STADIUM NOTES

THE NEYLAND EFFECT

Neyland Stadium is once again one of the nation's most electric environments and toughest places to play for visiting teams. Over the past three seasons, the Vols are 20-1 inside of its confines. In the Josh Heupel era (since 2021), UT is 25-4 at home and has outscored opponents 1,263-523.

Neyland Stadium has now been sold out for 21 consecutive games. Tennessee has ranked in the top six nationally in attendance in each of the last three seasons. In 2023, the Vols ranked No. 3 in total attendance (713,405) and No. 4 in average attendance (101,915), leading the SEC in both categories.

NEYLAND STADIUM HOME OF THE VOLS. PROUDLY PRESERVED BY PILOT.

Neyland Stadium has been home of the Vols for more than 100 years and that legacy will live on thanks to a transformative partnership with Tennessee Athletics and Knoxville-based Pilot, the largest network of travel centers in North America. In August 2024, Tennessee and Pilot announced the partnership that preserves the iconic venue's name and enhances the stadium experience for future generations. Under the terms of the agreement, which is slated for up to 20 years and could extend further, the names of Neyland Stadium and Shields-Watkins Field will remain unchanged.

Fans will notice a number of new features and amenities that have been completed for the 2025 season.

Most notably, major updates have been completed in the South End Zone. Entry into Gate 9 has doubled in size while the southwest plaza has expanded to ease congestion. A new elevator has been added to the southeast corner of Neyland Stadium, allowing patrons to access all three levels on the south end of the stadium.

Truly's Tailgate, located outside Gate 9, has expanded with Texas Roadhouse and a number of other new food and beverage options for fans to enjoy before and during the game.

Fans will also notice new restrooms, a new UT Medical first aid station and a significantly wider concourse to help ease navigation around the south end of the stadium.

A Vintage Volunteer trailer has been behind section M on the new south concourse of Neyland Stadium. The shop will offer vintage gear and unique items.

THE RETURN OF V-O-L-S

During the 2022 season, the iconic V-O-L-S letters returned on the south end of Neyland Stadium. Two sets with an orange background and white lettering were installed as part of stadium upgrades under the leadership of Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White. A V-O-L-S history:

Summer 1966

The 8-foot tall backlit VOLS letters—originally with orange lettering and a white background—were installed at the top of the stadium on the south side. From summer 1966 until 1978, they were lit every evening. Beginning in 1978, they were turned off—with the exception of during night football games—as part of an energy conservation program.

Summer 1976

As part of renovations prior to the 1976 season, the design of the letters shifted to white lettering with orange background.

Summer 1999

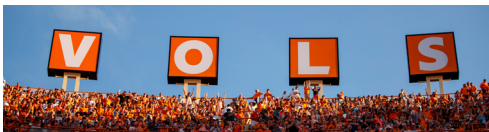
Neyland Stadium installed its first edition of a videoboard, and the letters are moved to the top of the videoboard. The design of the letters also shifted to orange lettering with white background.

Summer 2009

Due to Neyland Stadium's videoboard being replaced, the letters were removed entirely from the stadium for the first time since the 1965 season.

November 2010

The version of letters that overlooked Neyland Stadium from 1999 to 2009 were auctioned off to Copper Cellar Family of Restaurants through United Way of Greater Knoxville's online auction.



“QUOTES”

ABOUT NEYLAND STADIUM

“The big games I played in Neyland Stadium are right up there with the Super Bowl. It is still one of the most electric atmospheres I have ever experienced, and the passion of the fans is what makes the difference.”

- Peyton Manning, Hall of Famer

“Neyland Stadium is the toughest place to play in college football. ... I've never been in an avalanche before, but I would imagine Tennessee taking the lead on you in the fourth quarter and Rocky Top blaring, that's what an avalanche of orange feels like.”

- Josh Pate, Josh Pate's College Football Show (July 2025)

“To be here in a primetime setting, this is as good as it gets if you are a college football fan. It is wild in here right now. ... Still thinking about Neyland this morning. The brick around the stadium inside the tunnel with the banners, the stadium is massive but has like a ‘friendly confines’ kind of feel where it doesn't seem as big as it is. Throw in the passion and game ops, it's just incredible!”

- Kirk Herbstreit, ESPN (Nov. 2022)

“Take anybody that's never been to a game in Knoxville and let them experience that with neutral glasses on and they will be blown away. The campus, the Vol Navy, when you pull into town, the stadium, the mascot, the uniforms, the crowd, the fight song, all of it. There is no way you can't be impressed when you go to a game in Knoxville.”

- Cole Cubelic, ESPN/SEC Network analyst

“The noise was a constant, oppressive force. I could literally feel it on my skin. But these fans weren't just loud on the first drive. Or just on 3rd down. Or just in the fourth quarter. It was every. single. play.”

- Ty Darlington, former Oklahoma offensive lineman (2015)

“Last year when we went to play Tennessee in Neyland Stadium, that was probably the best game experience I've had and probably will ever have. That's a different type of loud. I can't even describe it. It was unbelievable.”

- Baker Mayfield, former Oklahoma quarterback (2015)

STADIUM QUICK FACTS

ALL-TIME STADIUM WIN PCT.

1. Bryant-Denny Stadium (Alabama)	.844 (304-55-3)
2. Albertsons Stadium (Boise State)	.826 (294-62)
3. Memorial Stadium (Oklahoma)	.819 (424-88-15)
4. Paulson Stadium (Georgia Southern)	.810 (218-51)
5. Edwards Stadium (Marshall)	.809 (186-44)
6. Ohio Stadium (Ohio State)	.800 (482-113-19)
7. Beaver Stadium (Penn State)	.798 (324-82)
8. Sanford Stadium (Georgia)	.779 (389-107-9)
9. Jordan-Hare Stadium (Auburn)	.775 (350-99-7)
10. Neyland Stadium (Tennessee)	.770 (493-141-17)
11. Kidd Brewer Stadium (Appalachian State)	.770 (277-81-5)
12. Michigan Stadium (Michigan)	.769 (466-135-15)

LARGEST CFB STADIUMS

1. Michigan Stadium (Michigan)	107,601
2. Beaver Stadium (Penn State)	106,572
3. Ohio Stadium (Ohio State)	102,780
4. Kyle Field (Texas A&M)	102,733
5. Tiger Stadium (LSU)	102,321
6. Neyland Stadium (Tennessee)	101,915
7. Bryant-Denny Stadium (Alabama)	101,821
8. Darrell K. Royal Memorial Stadium (Texas)	100,119
9. Sanford Stadium (Georgia)	92,746
10. Rose Bowl (UCLA)	91,136

HEAD COACH JOSH HEUPEL

Fifth Season • @CoachJoshHeupel



- 2022 Associated Press SEC Coach of the Year
- 2022, 2018 National Coach of the Year Finalist
- 2024 College Football Playoff, 2022 Orange Bowl champ
- Coached in three national title games and 20 postseason games
- Four 10-Win Seasons in Seven Years as a Head Coach
- 17 NFL Draft picks last four seasons
- Won eight conference championships
- 2000 National Champion QB and Heisman finalist

Former national champion quarterback Josh Heupel took the reins of Tennessee football in 2021 and has guided the proud program to a national resurgence, including the Volunteers' first College Football Playoff appearance in 2024. The 2022 SEC Coach of the Year and two-time National Coach of the Year finalist was officially announced as Tennessee's 27th head football coach on Jan. 27, 2021, by Vice Chancellor/Director of Athletics Danny White, who he worked alongside at UCF. Heupel signed an extension through Jan. 2030.

Taking over a program coming off a 3-7 season and the departure of several players prior to his arrival, Heupel instilled a strong culture built on trust, accountability and relationships. The results have seen Tennessee celebrate its greatest chapter in over two decades. Heupel's remarkable revival of the Volunteers has seen him produce a 37-15 overall record, 11 victories over Top 25 teams, the school's first New Year's Six berth in the CFP era, three straight top-20 poll finishes and a College Football Playoff berth. The 11 ranked wins are sixth nationally among FBS head coaches during that span and are already fifth in UT history. Heupel's .712 winning percentage is the second-highest by a Vol coach in the last five decades. His 37 wins were the third-most through the first four full seasons by a UT coach, trailing only Bill Battle (39 from 1970-73) and Phillip Fulmer (38 from 1993-96). Both Battle and Fulmer took over UT teams that had winning records prior to their hires. Heupel guided Tennessee to its winningest three-year stretch (30) since 1998-2000 (30), and the program's .769 winning percentage during that stretch was the eighth-best nationally and third-best in the SEC. The Vols have also won at least nine games in three straight seasons, which is the longest streak for the program since 1995-99.

The Vols' on-field success has correlated in the classroom as UT has shattered the program record for GPA in four consecutive fall semesters under Heupel. The Vols produced a spring semester GPA record of 3.25 in May.

HEUPEL YEAR-BY-YEAR HEAD COACHING RECORD

Year	Team	Overall	Conf.	Notable
2018	UCF	12-1	9-0*	AAC Champs, Fiesta Bowl, #11 AP, #12 Coaches
2019	UCF	10-3	6-2	Gasparilla Bowl, #24 AP, #24 Coaches
2020	UCF	6-4	5-3	Boca Raton Bowl (COVID-19 shortened season)
2021	Tennessee	7-6	4-4	Music City Bowl, winningest 1st-year coach in P5
2022	Tennessee	11-2	6-2	Orange Bowl champs, #6 AP, #6 Coaches
2023	Tennessee	9-4	4-4	Citrus Bowl champs, #17 AP, #17 Coaches
2024	Tennessee	10-3	6-2	College Football Playoff, #8 Coaches, #9 AP
2025	Tennessee	1-0	0-0	#18 Coaches, #24 AP
Overall	8th season	66-23 (.742)	42-17	7 Postseason Games, 1 AAC Championship
UCF	3 seasons	28-8	20-5	
Tennessee	5th season	38-15 (.717)	20-12	

* - denotes COVID-19 shortened season

^ - denotes includes The American Championship Game

PROLIFIC OFFENSES UNDER HEUPEL

TOTAL OFFENSE

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	493.0	23	5
2024 (Tennessee)	447.0	15	3
2023 (Tennessee)	448.1	19	4
2022 (Tennessee)	525.5	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	474.9	9	3
2020 (UCF)	568.1	2	1
2019 (UCF)	540.5	2	1
2018 (UCF)	522.7	5	2
2017 (Mizzou)	502.2	8	1
2016 (Mizzou)	500.5	13	1

RUSHING

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	246.0	23	3
2024 (Tennessee)	225.9	9	1
2023 (Tennessee)	204.8	9	1
2022 (Tennessee)	199.5	26	6
2021 (Tennessee)	217.8	11	2
2020 (UCF)	210.7	25	3
2019 (UCF)	223.8	19	3
2018 (UCF)	265.2	8	3
2017 (Mizzou)	193.5	36	6
2016 (Mizzou)	205.1	38	8

SCORING OFFENSE

Year	PPG	FBS	Conf.
2025 (Tennessee)	45.0	22	5
2024 (Tennessee)	35.7	12	2
2023 (Tennessee)	31.8	36	7
2022 (Tennessee)	46.1	1	1
2021 (Tennessee)	39.3	7	2
2020 (UCF)	42.2	8	1
2019 (UCF)	43.4	5	1
2018 (UCF)	43.2	6	2
2017 (Mizzou)	37.5	14	1
2016 (Mizzou)	31.4	48	5

PASSING

Year	YPG	FBS	Conf.
2024 (Tennessee)	247.0	48	11
2023 (Tennessee)	243.2	50	8
2022 (Tennessee)	326.1	5	1
2021 (Tennessee)	257.1	40	4
2020 (UCF)	357.4	4	1
2019 (UCF)	316.7	8	1
2018 (UCF)	257.5	37	4
2017 (Mizzou)	308.6	14	2
2016 (Mizzou)	295.4	20	2

THE HEUPEL FILE

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: Joshua Kenneth Heupel
Born: March 22, 1978 (age 47)
Hometown: Aberdeen, South Dakota
Education: Oklahoma, 2001 (bachelor's in business marketing)
Wife: Dawn
Children: Hannah, Jace

PLAYING HISTORY

1997: Weber State, quarterback
 1998: Snow College, quarterback
 1999-2000: Oklahoma, quarterback

COACHING HISTORY

2003-04: Oklahoma, Graduate Assistant
 2005: Arizona, Tight Ends
 2006-10: Oklahoma, Quarterbacks
 2011-14: Oklahoma, Co-Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
 2015: Utah State, Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
 2016-17: Missouri, Offensive Coordinator/QBs
 2018-20: UCF, Head Coach
 2021-present: Tennessee, Head Coach

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (1)

2000 - Oklahoma (player)

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (8)

2018 AAC - UCF (head coach)
 2012 Big 12 - Oklahoma (co-offensive coordinator/QBs)
 2010 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)
 2008 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)
 2007 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)
 2006 Big 12 - Oklahoma (quarterbacks)
 2004 Big 12 - Oklahoma (graduate assistant)
 2000 Big 12 - Oklahoma (player)

POSTSEASON APPEARANCES AS A COACH (20)

2024 CFP First Round - Tennessee
 2024 Citrus Bowl - Tennessee
 2022 Orange Bowl - Tennessee
 2021 Music City Bowl - Tennessee
 2020 Boca Raton Bowl - UCF
 2019 Gasparilla Bowl - UCF
 2019 Fiesta Bowl - UCF
 2017 Texas Bowl - Missouri
 2015 Famous Idaho Potato Bowl - Utah State
 2014 Russell Athletic Bowl - Oklahoma
 2014 Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma
 2013 Cotton Bowl - Oklahoma
 2011 Insight Bowl - Oklahoma
 2011 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma
 2009 Sun Bowl - Oklahoma
 2009 BCS National Championship Game - Oklahoma
 2008 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma
 2007 Fiesta Bowl - Oklahoma
 2005 BCS National Championship Game Orange Bowl - Oklahoma
 2004 BCS National Championship Game Sugar Bowl - Oklahoma

BOWL GAME APPEARANCES AS A PLAYER (2)

2001 BCS National Championship Game Orange Bowl - Oklahoma
 1999 Independence Bowl - Oklahoma

HEUPEL ERA HIGHS

TEAM - OFFENSIVE

Rushing Yards - 458 at Missouri, 10/2/21
Rushing Yards per Attempt - 11.7 at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
Rushing Touchdowns - 6 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Passing Yards - 495 vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
Passing Yards per Attempt - 17.5 vs. Akron, 9/17/22
Passing Touchdowns - 5 (3x), last vs. UT Martin, 10/22/22
First Downs - 36 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Total Plays - 105 vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Total Offense - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Yards Per Play - 10.0 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Points Scored - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

TEAM - DEFENSIVE

Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed - 32 vs. Bowling Green, 9/2/21
Fewest Passing Yards Allowed - 58 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Fewest Total Yards Allowed - 112 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Fewest First Downs Allowed - 8 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Sacks - 7 vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
Interceptions - 4 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
Forced Fumbles - 2 (6x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumbles Recovered - 2 (3x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Tackles For Loss - 15 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Pass Breakups - 10 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
QB Hurries - 16 at Pitt, 9/10/22

INDIVIDUAL - OFFENSIVE

Rushing Yards - 180, Jabari Small vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Rushing Touchdowns - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Longest Rush - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21
Pass Completions - 28 (2x), last Nico Iamaleava vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Completion % (min. 20 att.) - 85.0 (17-20), Joe Milton III at Kentucky, 10/28/23
Passing Yards - 385, Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/21
Passing Touchdowns - 5 (2x), last Hendon Hooker vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Longest Pass - 86, Nico Iamaleava to Dont'e Thornton Jr. at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Receptions - 11, Jalin Hyatt at Pitt, 9/10/22
Receiving Yards - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Receiving Touchdowns - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22

INDIVIDUAL - DEFENSIVE

Total Tackles - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Sacks - 2.5, Byron Young at LSU, 10/8/22
Tackles for Loss - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23

INDIVIDUAL - SPECIAL TEAMS

Longest Kick Return - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21
Longest Punt Return - 73, Dee Williams at Vanderbilt, 11/26/22
Punt Return Touchdowns - 1 (3x), last Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
Blocked Kicks - 2 (2x), last at Florida (1 FG, 1 PAT), 9/16/23
Punts Blocked - 1 (6x), last Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Longest Punt - 71, Jackson Ross at Alabama, 10/21/23
Longest Field Goal - 52, Max Gilbert at Georgia, 11/16/24

FAST. FUN. REAL.

600
yards of
total offense

Missouri (683) - 10/2/21
Purdue (666) - 12/30/21
Akron (676) - 9/17/22
UT Martin (696) - 10/22/22
Missouri (724) - 11/12/22
UConn (650) - 11/4/23
Vanderbilt (617) - 11/25/23
Chattanooga (718) - 8/31/24
Kent State (740) - 9/14/24

275
yards
rushing

Bowling Gr. (331) - 9/2/21
Missouri (458) - 10/2/21
Vanderbilt (285) - 11/27/21
Purdue (288) - 12/30/21
at Vanderbilt (362) - 11/26/22
vs. Virginia (287) - 9/2/23
UTSA (303) - 9/23/23
UConn (275) - 11/4/23
Chattanooga (304) - 8/31/24
Kent State (456) - 9/14/24

375
yards
passing

Purdue (378) - 12/30/21
Akron (438) - 9/17/22
#3 Alabama (385) - 10/15/22
UT Martin (495) - 10/22/22
Missouri (460) - 11/12/22
UConn (375) - 11/4/23
Vanderbilt (449) - 11/25/23
Chattanooga (414) - 8/31/24

60
point
games

Missouri (62) - 10/2/21
South Ala. (60) - 11/20/21
Akron (63) - 9/17/22
UT Martin (65) - 10/22/22
Missouri (66) - 11/12/22
Chattanooga (69) - 8/31/24
Kent State (71) - 9/14/24

11
ranked
wins

at #18 Kentucky - 11/6/21
at #17 Pitt - 9/10/22
#20 Florida - 9/24/22
at #25 LSU - 10/8/22
#3 Alabama - 10/15/22
#19 Kentucky - 10/30/22
vs. #7 Clemson - 12/30/22
vs. #17 Iowa - 1/1/24
vs. #24 NC State - 9/7/24
at #15 Oklahoma - 9/21/24
vs. #7 Alabama - 10/19/24

TEAM SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (18)

Wins Over Ranked Teams - 6* in 2022
Points - 599 in 2022
Points Per Game - 46.1 in 2022
Total Offense - 6,832 in 2022
Total Offense Per Game - 525.5 in 2022
Yards Per Play - 7.2 in 2022
Total Touchdowns - 79 in 2022
Offensive Touchdowns - 78 in 2022
Passing Touchdowns - 38 in 2022
Rushing Touchdowns - 40 in 2022

Completion Percentage - 68.7 in 2022
Passing Efficiency - 181.4 in 2022
Passing Yards - 4,239 in 2022
Passing Yards Per Game - 326.1 in 2022
Point After Touchdowns Made - 75 in 2022
Total First Downs - 330 in 2022
Rushing First Downs - 164 in 2021
Fewest Interceptions Thrown - 3 (2x), 2021 & 2022
 * - at time of meeting; tied 1998 team

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON SCHOOL RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (18)

Total Offense Per Game - Hendon Hooker: 324.1 in 2022
Yards Per Play (min. 400 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 8.24 in 2022
Completion Pct. (min. 300 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 69.6 in 2022
Passing Efficiency - Hendon Hooker: 181.4 in 2021
Consecutive Games Throwing TD Pass - Hendon Hooker: 12 in 2021
Lowest INT Pct. (min. 300 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 0.61% in 2022
Rushing Touchdowns - Dylan Sampson: 22 in 2024
Consecutive Games With a TD Rush - Dylan Sampson: 11 in 2024
Rushing Yards - Dylan Sampson: 1,491 in 2024

Receiving Yards Per Game - Jalin Hyatt: 105.6 in 2022
Receiving Touchdowns - Jalin Hyatt: 15 in 2022
Consecutive Games with a TD Catch - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021
Points By Kicking - Chase McGrath: 118 in 2022
Point After Touchdowns Made - Chase McGrath: 70 in 2022
Point After Touchdowns Attempted - Chase McGrath: 72 in 2022
Percentage PATs Made - Chase McGrath: 100.0 (66 of 66) in 2021
Total Touchdowns Scored - Dylan Sampson: 22 in 2024
Points Scored - Dylan Sampson: 132 in 2024

UT SINGLE-GAME RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (8)

Points (modern era) - 71 vs. Kent State in 2024
Total Yards (modern era) - 740 vs. Kent State in 2024
Rushing Yards per Attempt - 11.7 at Vanderbilt in 2022
Total Offense Per Play (min. 20 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 16.1 vs. Akron in 2022
Rushing Touchdowns (modern era) - Dylan Sampson, 4 vs. Kent State in 2024
Receiving Touchdowns - Jalin Hyatt: 5 vs. #3 Alabama in 2022
Modern Era Scoring - Jalin Hyatt: 30 points vs. #3 Alabama in 2022
Punting Average - Jackson Ross: 53.2 (5 for 266) at #11/8 Alabama in 2023

INDIVIDUAL CAREER RECORDS UNDER HEUPEL (7)

Total Offense Per Play (min. 900 plays) - Hendon Hooker: 7.90, 2021-22
Completion Pct. (min. 500 attempts) - Hendon Hooker: 68.8, 2021-22
Consecutive Games with a TD Pass - Hendon Hooker: 20, 2021-22
Consecutive Passes without an INT - Hendon Hooker: 261, 2021-22
Lowest Interception Pct. (min. 500 att.) - Hendon Hooker: 0.79, 2021-22
Consecutive Games with a TD Reception - Cedric Tillman: 7 in 2021
Consecutive Games with a TD Rush - Dylan Sampson: 11 in 2024

THE LAST TIME TENNESSEE...

INDIVIDUAL

OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards - 178, Dylan Sampson at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Rushed for 200 yards - 246, Eric Gray vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/19
Rushed for 250 yards - 294, Chuck Webb vs. Mississippi, 11/18/89
QB Rushed for 100 yards - 112, Hendon Hooker vs. Florida, 9/24/22
Passed for 300 yards - 314, Nico Iamaleava vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Passed for 400 yards - 415, Jarrett Guarantano at Missouri, 11/23/19
Passed for 500 yards - 530, Tyler Bray vs. Troy, 11/3/12
Had 100 yards receiving - 118, Dont'e Thornton Jr. at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Had 150 yards receiving - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Had 200 yards receiving - 207, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Rushed for three TDs - 3, Dylan Sampson vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Rushed for four TDs - 4, Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Threw four TD passes - 4, Nico Iamaleava at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Caught three TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Caught four TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Caught five TD passes - 5, Jalin Hyatt vs. Alabama, 10/15/22
Scored four touchdowns - 4 (all rush), Dylan Sampson vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Responsible for five touchdowns - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Responsible for six touchdowns - 6 (4 pass, 2 rush), Joe Milton III vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Had rushing + receiving TD - Dylan Sampson vs. Virginia, 9/2/23
Had an 80-yard run - 82, Dylon Wright vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Had a 90-yard run - 92, Tiyon Evans at Missouri, 10/2/21
Had an 80-yard completion - 86, Nico Iamaleava to Dont'e Thornton Jr. at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

DEFENSE

Returned INT for TD - 85 yards, Will Brooks vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Returned a fumble for TD - 22 yards, Colton Hood vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25 (forced by Nathan Robinson)
Returned PAT for a score - 97 yards, Floyd Miley vs. Mississippi, 11/17/90 (blocked kick return)
Had 20+ tackles - 20, Jeremy Banks vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Recorded three sacks - 4.0, Darrell Taylor vs. Kentucky, 11/10/18
Recorded five tackles for loss - 5.0, Aaron Beasley vs. Austin Peay, 9/9/23
Forced two fumbles - 2, Joshua Josephs at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Intercepted two passes - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19
Intercepted three passes - 3, Bryce Thompson vs. UAB, 11/2/19
Made interception on first play of the game - Tamarion McDonald vs. Ball State, 9/1/22

SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned onside kick for TD - 44, Bret Smith at S. Carolina, 10/30/04
Returned opening kickoff for TD - 91, Ty Chandler vs. Indiana State, 9/9/17
Returned conventional kickoff for TD - 96, Velus Jones Jr. vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21
Returned kickoff 100 yards - Evan Berry at South Carolina, 10/29/16
Returned punt for TD - 39, Dee Williams vs. Texas A&M, 10/14/23
Returned a blocked punt for TD - 13, Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Returned punt at least 75 yards - 82, Marquez Callaway vs. Charlotte, 11/4/18 (TD)
Had a rushing + punt return TD in same game - Alvin Kamara vs. WCU, 9/19/15 (2, 50)
Made four FGs - 4, Max Gilbert vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Made a 50-yard FG - 50, Max Gilbert at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

TEAM

OFFENSE

Rushed for more than 300 yards - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)
Rushed for more than 400 yards - 456 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (55 att.)
Passed for more than 300 yards - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.)
Passed for more than 400 yards - 414 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24 (44 att.)
Had more than 500 yards total offense - 538 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (257 pass, 281 rush)
Had more than 600 yards total offense - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)
Had more than 700 yards total offense - 740 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (284 pass, 456 rush)
Scored 50 points - 56 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24 (Score: 56-0)
Scored 60 points - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)
Scored 70 points - 71 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (Score: 71-0)
Scored 30+ points in a quarter - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)
Scored 35+ points in a quarter - 37 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (first quarter)
Failed to rush for 100 yards - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)
Failed to pass for 100 yards - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16, 1 int.)
Failed to get a first down - vs. Auburn, 9/27/58 (Score: Auburn 13-0)
Committed no turnovers - at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Two players with 100 yards rushing - D. Bishop (120) & D. Sampson (101) vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Three players with 100 yards rushing - James Stewart (145), Aaron Hayden (115) & Mose Phillips (107) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/30/91
Two players w/ 100 yards passing - H. Hooker (247) & J. Milton III (108) at S. Carolina, 11/19/22
Two players w/ 100 yards receiving - R. Keyton (122) & S. White (110) vs. Vanderbilt, 11/25/23
Three players w/ 100 yards receiving - J. Palmer (124), J. Jennings (115), M. Callaway (110) at Missouri, 11/23/19

DEFENSE

Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards rushing - 81 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24 (38 att.)
Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards passing - 92 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (10-of-26)
Held opponent to fewer than 100 yards total offense - 83 vs. WKU, 9/5/09 (34 rush, 49 pass)
Held opponent without a TD - vs. UTEP (Score: Tennessee 56-0)
Scored a safety - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (Tyre West TFL)
Scored two safeties - 2 vs. South Alabama, 11/20/21 (Kurott Garland sack, snap out of end zone)
Forced opponent into five turnovers - vs. Chattanooga, 9/14/19
Intercepted four passes - vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
Intercepted five passes - vs. Western Kentucky, 9/7/13
Forced four fumbles - at Kentucky, 10/28/17
Recovered four fumbles - at Kentucky, 10/28/17
Scored two defensive TDs - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)
Scored three defensive TDs - 3 vs. UConn, 11/4/23 (Baron fumble ret., McCollough INT ret., Beasley INT ret.)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Never had to punt - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Blocked a punt - Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Returned blocked punt for TD - 13-yard return by Jordan Ross vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Blocked a field goal - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Bryson Eason)
Returned blocked FG for TD - 90 vs. South Carolina, 10/28/95 (Tyrone Hines)
Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game - at Kentucky, 10/31/15 (Evan Berry 100-yard KR; Cameron Sutton 84-yard PR)
Blocked a PAT - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Omari Thomas)
Faked a punt - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)
Faked punt for 1st down - at Vanderbilt, 12/12/20 (Paxton Brooks completed pass for 31 yards)
Faked a FG - vs. Missouri, 11/22/14 (P. Ashford pass to A. Ellis for touchdown)
Attempted 2-pt conversion - at Florida, 9/16/23 (Joe Milton III rush unsuccessful)
Scored 2-pt conversion - vs. Alabama, 10/15/22 (H. Hooker pass to P. Fant successful)
Attempted onside kick - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)
Recovered onside kick - vs. Kent State, 9/14/24 (John Slaughter recovered)

MISCELLANEOUS

Shut out an opponent - 56-0 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Shut out consecutive opponents - at Vanderbilt and vs. Kentucky, 11/23/02 & 11/30/02 (24-0)
Won OT game - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT)
Lost OT Game - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)
Won game on last play - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (UT 23-17, Dylan Sampson 1-yd rushing TD in OT)
Lost game on last play - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45: 39-yd FG in OT)
Rallied from down 10 to win - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (trailed 14-0 in 1Q & won, 36-23)
Rallied from down 14 to win - at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24 (trailed 14-0 in 1Q & won, 36-23)
Beat ranked opponent - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)
Beat team ranked in top 15 - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)
Beat team ranked in top 10 - vs. #7/7 Alabama (Score: Tennessee 24-17)
Beat team ranked in top 5 - vs. #3/1 Alabama, 10/15/22 (Score: Tennessee 52-49)
Committed no penalties - vs. Austin Peay, 8/31/13

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THE LAST TIME AN OPPONENT...

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSE

Rushed for 100 yards - 125, Davon Booth vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (20 attempts)
Rushed for 200 yards - 205, Cody Schrader at Missouri, 11/11/23 (35 attempts)
Rushed for 250 yards - 282, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09 (25 attempts)
QB Rushed for 100 yards - 106, Brady Cook vs. Missouri, 11/12/22 (16 attempts)
Passed for 300 yards - 311, Will Howard at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Passed for 400 yards - 438, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Passed for 500 yards - 534, Aidan O'Connell vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Had 100 yards receiving - 103, Jeremiah Smith at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Had 150 yards receiving - 177, Antwane Wells Jr. at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Had 200 yards receiving - 217, Broc Thompson vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Rushed for three TDs - 3, Yasin Willis vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Rushed for four TDs - 4, Dexter McCluster at Mississippi, 11/14/09
Rushed for five TDs - 5, TaQuon Marshall vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17
Threw four TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Threw five TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Threw six TD passes - 6, Spencer Rattler at South Carolina, 11/19/22
Caught three TD passes - 3, Josh Reed at LSU, 9/30/00 (overtime)
Had an 80-yard run - 85, Bo Scarbrough vs. Alabama, 10/15/16
Had an 80-yard completion - 85, Dylan Thompson to Pharoah Cooper at South Carolina (TD), 11/1/14

DEFENSE

Returned an INT for TD - 87, Aydan White vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Returned a fumble for TD - 24, Jihaad Campbell at Alabama, 10/21/23
Recorded three sacks - 4, Joe Evans vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
Intercepted two passes - 2, DeMarkus Acy vs. Missouri, 11/17/18

SPECIAL TEAMS

Returned a kickoff for TD - 100, Junior Sherrill at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Returned a kickoff 100 yards - 100, Junior Sherrill at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Returned a punt for TD - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16
Returned a blocked punt for TD - 17, Sean Westgate at UCLA, 9/1/08
Returned an extra point for score - Quinton Reese, Auburn (SEC Championship), 12/6/97 (yardage not recorded)
Returned a punt at least 75 yards - 79, Eddie Jackson vs. Alabama, 10/15/16 (TD)
Made four FGs - 4, Mitchell Fineran vs. Purdue, 12/30/21
Made a 50-yard FG - 50, Will Reichard at Alabama, 10/21/23

TEAM OFFENSE

Rushed for more than 300 yards - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17
Rushed for more than 400 yards - 433 at Missouri, 11/11/17
Rushed for more than 500 yards - 535 vs. Georgia Tech, 9/4/17
Passed for more than 300 yards - 317 at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Had more than 600 yards total offense - 606 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (453 pass, 153 rush)
Scored 50 points - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)
Scored 60 points - 63 at South Carolina, 11/19/22 (Score: South Carolina 63-38)
Scored 70 points - 70 at Trinity (present-day Duke), 11/4/1893 (Score: Trinity 70-0)
Failed to rush for 100 yards - 81 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24 (38 att.)
Failed to pass for 100 yards - 92 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24 (10-of-26)
Two players with 100 yards rushing - at Missouri, I. Witter (216), L. Rountree (155), 11/11/17
Three players with 100 yards rushing - Mississippi, P. Hofer (119), J. Reed (115), M. Sweet (103), 11/15/75
Two players with 100 yards passing - Alabama, Jalen Hurts (198) and Tua Tagovailoa (134), 10/21/17
Two players with 100 yards receiving - 155, J. Shorter; 103, R. Pearsall vs. Florida, 9/24/22

DEFENSE

Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards rushing - 83 at Missouri, 11/11/23 (23 att.)
Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards passing - 44 at Alabama 10/21/17 (9-of-16, 1 int.)
Held Tennessee to fewer than 100 yards total offense - 59 vs. Alabama, 10/18/80
Held Tennessee without TD - at Florida, 9/21/19 (Score: Florida, 34-3)
Scored a safety - vs. Florida, 9/22/18 (Tim Jordan tackled in end zone)

SPECIAL TEAMS

Never had to punt - at Kentucky, 11/6/21 (11 off. possessions in 42-45 loss)
Blocked a punt - at Pitt, 9/10/22 (P.J. O'Brien)
Returned a blocked punt for TD - 17 at UCLA, 9/1/08 (Sean Westgate)
Blocked a FG - at Missouri, 11/23/19 (blocked by Jordan Elliot)
Blocked two FGs - at Alabama, 10/24/09 (Terrence Cody blocked both)
Returned punt and kickoff for TD in same game - Auburn, 11/9/13 (Chris Davis 85-yard punt return; Corey Grant 90-yard kickoff return)
Faked a punt - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32 yards, successful)
Faked a punt for first down - vs. South Carolina, 9/30/23 (Kai Kroeger pass to Xavier Legette 32 yards, successful)
Failed 2-pt conversion - vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25 (2x, S. Angeli pass & rush attempt failed)
Scored 2-pt conversion - vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24 (G. Wimsatt completion to J. Maclin)
Attempted an onside kick - at Oklahoma, 9/21/24 (UT recovered)
Recovered an onside kick - vs. Florida, 9/24/22 (UF's Diwun Black recovered)

MISCELLANEOUS

Shut out Tennessee - 41-0 vs. Georgia, 9/30/17
Shut out Tennessee in consecutive games - at Kentucky and vs. Vanderbilt, 11/19/59 & 11/26/59 (Scores: 20-0, 14-0)
Won OT Game - vs. Purdue, 12/30/21 (Score: Purdue 48-45 OT)
Lost OT game - vs. Florida, 10/12/24 (Score: UT 23-17, OT)
Beat a ranked Tennessee team - at Ohio State, 12/21/24 (Score: #6 OSU 42, #7 UT 17)
Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 15 - at Ohio State, 12/21/24 (Score: #6 OSU 42, #7 UT 17)
Beat a Tennessee team ranked in the top 5 - at Arkansas, 10/5/24 (Score: ARK 19, #4 UT 14)

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GAME RECAPS

GAME 1

Syracuse
#24/18 Tennessee26
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Aug. 30, 2025
Mercedes-Benz Stadium
Atlanta, Ga.
Attendance: 45,918
Time: 12:08 p.m. ET • Duration: 3:55

Tennessee

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Thomas, Star	12	93	1	92	0	22	7.7
Bishop, DeSean	11	84	2	82	1	47	7.5
Aguilar, Joey	6	42	8	34	0	25	5.7
Lewis, Peyton	8	38	0	38	1	8	4.8
Morris, Daune	2	2	0	2	0	2	1
Team	1	0	2	-2	0	0	-2

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Aguilar, Joey	16	28	247	3	0	73	0

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Staley, Braylon	4	95	1	73
Brazzell II, Chris	5	62	0	18
Bishop, DeSean	2	44	0	23
Matthews, Mike	2	29	0	16
Kitselman, Miles	2	10	1	8
Thomas, Star	1	7	1	7

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Ross, Jackson	4	175	43.8	56	3	0	1

FIELD GOALS	Att.	Made	Long	Kicks
Gilbert, Max	1	1	34	34G

Key: G=Good, WL=Wide Left, WR=Wide Right, S=Short, B=Blocked

ALL RETURNS	Punts			Kickoffs			Interceptions		
	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.	No.	Yds.	Lg.
Staley, Braylon	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lewis, Peyton	0	0	0	1	24	24	0	0	0
Telander, Jeremiah	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

Syracuse

RUSHING	Att.	Gain	Loss	Net	TD	Long	Avg.
Willis, Yasin	23	91	0	91	3	14	4
Nixon, Will	9	33	0	33	0	10	3.7
Angeli, Steve	7	12	39	-27	0	11	-3.9
Russell, Tyshawn	1	5	0	5	0	5	5
James, Malachi	2	3	5	-2	0	3	-1
Villari, Dan	2	3	0	3	0	2	1.5

PASSING	Cmp.	Att.	Yds.	TD	Int.	Long	Sacks
Angeli, Steve	23	40	274	1	1	29	5

RECEIVING	No.	Yds.	TD	Long
Cook II, Johntay	6	58	1	29
Villari, Dan	5	55	0	20
Ross-Simmons, J.	3	50	0	23
Russell, Tyshawn	3	40	0	28
Gill Jr., Darrell	2	33	0	26
Nixon, Will	2	29	0	21
Clement, David	1	8	0	8
Tremble, Jamie	1	1	0	1

PUNTING	No.	Yds.	Avg.	Long	I20	TB	50+
Stonehouse, Jack	4	196	49	58	1	0	2
Angeli, Steve	1	35	35	35	1	0	0

#24/18 Vols Triumph in Atlanta, Down Syracuse 45-26

No. 24/18 Tennessee opened its 2025 campaign with a statement win, rolling past Syracuse, 45-26, in the Aflac Kickoff Game at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. The Vols seized control early with 17 first-quarter points. **Max Gilbert** opened the scoring with a 34-yard field goal, **Peyton Lewis** punched in a 2-yard touchdown run, and the defense delivered when **Colton Hood** returned a strip sack 22 yards for a score. Syracuse (0-1) cut into the lead with a short touchdown run in the second quarter, but **Joey Aguilar** answered quickly, hitting **Braylon Staley** for a 73-yard strike. After the Orange pulled within 24-14, **DeSean Bishop's** 47-yard run set up his own 1-yard score, giving Tennessee a 31-14 halftime cushion. The defense provided another spark after the break, as **Jeremiah Telander** intercepted a tipped pass to set up Aguilar's 7-yard touchdown toss to **Star Thomas**. Syracuse battled back with two rushing scores to make it 38-26, but Aguilar capped a nine-play, 54-yard drive with a 2-yard strike to **Miles Kitselman**, sealing the win. Aguilar finished 16-of-28 for 247 yards and three touchdowns in his first start for the Big Orange, while Thomas posted 92 rushing yards and a receiving score in his UT debut. Bishop added 82 yards and a touchdown, and Staley led the receivers with 95 yards and a long TD. Defensively, **Arion Carter** paced the Vols with nine tackles and a sack as Tennessee recorded five sacks and seven tackles for loss. The Vols totaled 493 yards of offense and converted all five red-zone trips.

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th		Final
Syracuse	0	14	6	6	-	26
Tennessee	17	14	7	7	-	45

1st	12:46	UT	Gilbert, Max	34 yd field goal
1st	06:02	UT	Lewis, Peyton	2 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
1st	00:56	UT	Hood, Colton	22 yd fumble recovery (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	11:40	SU	Willis, Yasin	2 yd run (Woody, Tripp kick)
2nd	11:14	UT	Staley, Braylon	73 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
2nd	01:55	SU	Cook II, Johntay	3 yd pass from Angeli, Steve (Woody, Tripp kick)
2nd	00:21	UT	Bishop, DeSean	1 yd run (Gilbert, Max kick)
3rd	12:22	UT	Thomas, Star	7 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)
3rd	07:33	SU	Willis, Yasin	1 yd run
4th	11:54	SU	Willis, Yasin	1 yd run
4th	03:57	UT	Kitselman, Miles	2 yd pass from Aguilar, Joey (Gilbert, Max kick)

Team Stats

	SU	UT
FIRST DOWNS	24	22
Rushing	9	12
Passing	13	9
Penalty	2	1
NET YARDS RUSHING	103	246
Rushing Attempts	44	40
Average Per Rush	2.3	6.2
Rushing Touchdowns	3	2
Rushing Yards Gained	147	259
Rushing Yards Lost	44	13
NET YARDS PASSING	274	247
Completions-Attempts-Interceptions	23-40-1	16-28-0
Average Per Attempt	6.8	8.8
Average Per Completion	11.9	15.4
Passing Touchdowns	1	3
TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS	377	493
Total Offensive Plays	84	68
Average Gain Per Play	4.5	7.2
Fumbles: Number-Lost	2-1	1-1
Penalties: Number-Yards	4-30	7-65
PUNTS-YARDS	5-231	4-175
Average Yards Per Punt	46.2	43.8
Net Yards Per Punt	45.8	43.8
Inside 20	2	3
50+ Yards	2	1
Touchbacks	0	0
Fair Catch	3	3
KICKOFFS-YARDS	5-320	8-520
Average Yards Per Kickoff	64.0	65.0
Net Yards Per Kickoff	40.0	40.0
Touchbacks	2	8
Fair Catch Yards	46	0
Punt returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-2-0
Average Per Return	0.0	2.0
Kickoff returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-24-0
Average Per Return	0.0	24.0
Interceptions: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-0-0
Fumble Returns: Number-Yards-TD	0-0-0	1-22-1
Miscellaneous Yards	0	0
Possession Time	34:31	25:29
Third-Down Conversions	5 of 14	7 of 12
Fourth-Down Conversions	3 of 4	0 of 0
Red-Zone Scores-Chances	4-5	5-5
Touchdowns	4	4
Field goals	0	1
Sacks By: Number-Yards	0-0	5-39
PAT Kicks	2-2	6-6
2Pts Conversions	0-2	0-0
Field Goals	0-0	1-1
Points off turnovers	0	7

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OVERALL: 1-0

SEC: 0-0

HOME: 0-0

AWAY: 0-0

NEUTRAL: 1-0

SCHEDULE & RESULTS										
Date	UT (rank)	Opponent	TV	Site	Time/Result	Att.	Top Rusher (A-Y-TD)	Top Passer (C-A-Y-TD)	Top Receiver (R-Y-TD)	Top Tackler
Aug. 30	24/18	vs. Syracuse	ABC	Atlanta	W, 45-26	45,918	S. Thomas (12-92-0)	J. Aguilar (16-28-247-3)	B. Staley (4-95-1)	A. Carter (9)
Sept. 6	22/17	ETSU	SECN+	Knoxville	3:30 ET					
Sept. 13	-/-	Georgia*	ABC	Knoxville	3:30 ET					
Sept. 20	-/-	UAB	SECN	Knoxville	12:45 ET					
Sept. 27	-/-	at Miss. State*	TBD	Starkville	TBD					
Oct. 11	-/-	Arkansas*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD					
Oct. 18	-/-	at Alabama*	TBD	Tuscaloosa	TBD					
Oct. 25	-/-	at Kentucky*	TBD	Lexington	TBD					
Nov. 1	-/-	Oklahoma*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD					
Nov. 15	-/-	New Mexico St. (HC)	SECN	Knoxville	4:15 ET					
Nov. 22	-/-	at Florida*	TBD	Gainesville	TBD					
Nov. 29	-/-	Vanderbilt*	TBD	Knoxville	TBD					
Rankings listed (AP/Coaches) *SEC Game										

TEAM STATS

	UT	OPP
Scoring	464	209
Points per game	35.7	16.1
Points Off Turnovers	44	17
First Downs	304	225
Rushing	151	86
Passing	135	114
Penalty	18	25
Rushing Yardage	2936	1351
Yards gained rushing	3178	1780
Yards lost rushing	242	429
Rushing attempts	584	455
Average per rush	5.0	3.0
Average per game	225.8	103.9
TDs Rushing	34	13
Passing Yardage	2875	2461
Comp-Att-Int	236-374-7	224-381-12
Average per pass	7.7	6.5
Average per catch	12.2	11.0
Average per game	221.2	189.3
TDs Passing	21	11
Total offense	5811	3812
Total plays	958	836
Average per play	6.1	4.6
Average per game	447.0	293.2
Kick returns: #-Yards	14-290	10-229
Punt returns: #-Yards	27-424	17-115
Int returns: #-Yards	12-247	7-256
Kick return average	20.7	22.9
Punt return average	15.7	6.8
Int return average	20.6	36.6
Fumbles-Lost	18-8	24-9
Penalties-Yards	105-869	89-691
Average per game	66.8	53.2
Punts-Yards	53-2329	72-3136
Average per punt	43.9	43.6
Net punt average	40.5	37.8
Kickoffs-Yards	86-5488	51-3188
Average per kick	63.8	62.5
Net kick average	39.3	39.9
Time of possession / game	29:34	30:25
3rd-down conversion	93/197	53/175
3rd-down pct	47%	30%
4th-down conversion	11/18	7/22
4th-down pct	61%	32%
Sacks by-Yards	29-191	30-150
Misc Yards	0	0
Touchdowns scored	57	26
Field goals - attempts	20-26	10-19
On-Side kicks	1-1	0-1
Red-zone scores	(52-63) 83%	(27-37) 73%
Red-zone touchdowns	(39-63) 62%	(17-37) 46%
PAT-attempts	(56-56) 100%	(21-22) 95%
2-point conversion-attempts	(0-0) 0%	(1-4) 25%
Attendance	713405	384430
Games / Avg per game	7/101915	5/76886
Neutral site games	-	1/72730

Score by Periods						
Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	102	153	125	78	6	464
Opponents	54	37	55	63	0	209

INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE STATS

	UT	OPP
* 10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L 14-19 75573
* 10/12/2024	Florida	Wotl 23-17 101915
* 10/19/2024	Alabama	W 24-17 101915
* 11/02/2024	Kentucky	W 28-18 101915
* 11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W 33-14 101915
* 11/16/2024	at Georgia	L 17-31 93033
11/23/2024	UTEP	W 56-0 101915
* 11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	W 36-23 28934
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	L 17-42 102819

Rushing

Player	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	13	258	1515	24	1491	5.8	22	56	114.7
DeSean Bishop	10	74	464	9	455	6.1	3	53	45.5
Nico lamaleava	13	109	513	155	358	3.3	3	31	27.5
Peyton Lewis	13	64	347	8	339	5.3	3	35	26.1
Cameron Seldon	6	23	118	0	118	5.1	1	14	19.7
Khalifa Keith	4	21	101	1	100	4.8	1	23	25.0
Hunter Barnes	4	7	38	0	38	5.4	0	14	9.5
Jake Merklinger	2	7	30	8	22	3.1	0	24	11.0
Gaston Moore	6	3	18	0	18	6.0	0	15	3.0
Bru McCoy	12	2	15	0	15	7.5	0	9	1.3
Patrick Wilk	3	3	12	0	12	4.0	0	9	4.0
Navy Shuler	2	2	6	1	5	2.5	0	6	2.5
Miles Kitzelman	13	2	1	0	1	0.5	1	1	0.1
Squirrel White	13	1	0	7	-7	-7.0	0	0	-0.5
Team	13	8	0	29	-29	-3.6	0	0	-2.2
Total	13	584	3178	242	2936	5.0	34	56	225.8
Opponents	13	455	1780	429	1351	3.0	13	50	103.9

Passing

Player	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g
Nico lamaleava	13	145.3	213-334-5	63.8	2616	19	86	201.2
Gaston Moore	6	131.4	16-27-2	59.3	201	2	53	33.5
Jake Merklinger	2	111.5	6-9-0	66.7	48	0	13	24.0
Navy Shuler	2	61.3	1-3-0	33.3	10	0	10	5.0
Team	13	0.0	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0
Total	13	142.5	236-374-7	63.1	2875	21	86	221.2
Opponents	13	116.3	224-381-12	58.8	2461	11	46	189.3

Receiving

Player	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Bru McCoy	12	39	472	12.1	2	42	39.3
Squirrel White	13	34	381	11.2	2	45	29.3
Chris Brazzell II	13	29	333	11.5	2	53	25.6
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	13	26	661	25.4	6	86	50.8
Miles Kitzelman	13	22	301	13.7	4	31	23.2
Dylan Sampson	13	20	143	7.2	0	21	11.0
Holden Staes	13	15	131	8.7	1	20	10.1
Ethan Davis	12	13	100	7.7	2	18	8.3
Chas Nimrod	12	10	121	12.1	0	27	10.1
Mike Matthews	11	7	90	12.9	2	25	8.2
Kaleb Webb	7	6	48	8.0	0	13	6.9



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Field Goals

Player	fg	pct.	01-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-99	lg	blk
Max Gilbert	20-26	76.9	0-0	4-4	9-10	4-6	3-6	52	0
Opponents	10-19	52.6	0-0	3-4	5-5	2-5	0-5	43	0

Scoring

Player	td	fg	kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Dylan Sampson	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Max Gilbert	-	20-26	54-54	-	-	-	-	-	114
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Miles Kitselman	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30
DeSean Bishop	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Nico Iamaleava	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Peyton Lewis	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Bru McCoy	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Squirrel White	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Chris Brazzell II	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Ethan Davis	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Mike Matthews	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
Will Brooks	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Holden Staes	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Cameron Seldon	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Khalifa Keith	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Jordan Ross	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Tyre West	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
Josh Turbyville	-	-	2-2	-	-	-	-	-	2
Jayson Jenkins	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
Total	57	20-26	56-56	0	0	0	0	3	464
Opponents	26	10-19	21-22	0	1	0	0	0	209

Score by Periods

Team	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	TOT
Tennessee	102	153	125	78	6	464
Opponents	54	37	55	63	0	209

Punting

Player	no.	yds	avg	lg	tb	fc	i20	50+	blk
Jackson Ross	53	2329	43.9	57	4	15	21	10	0
Total	53	2329	43.9	57	4	15	21	10	0
Opponents	72	3136	43.6	66	4	16	18	22	1

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boo Carter	12	198	16.5	0	38
Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
Jermody McCoy	6	59	9.8	0	23
Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total	27	424	15.7	1	38
Opponents	17	115	6.8	0	30

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Peyton Lewis	7	151	21.6	0	31
Cameron Seldon	3	77	25.7	0	35
William Wright	1	26	26.0	0	26
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0
Dylan Sampson	1	4	4.0	0	4
Mike Matthews	1	32	32.0	0	32
Total	14	290	20.7	0	35
Opponents	10	229	22.9	1	100

All Purpose

Player	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Dylan Sampson	13	1491	143	0	4	0	1638	126.0
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	13	0	661	0	0	0	661	50.8
Peyton Lewis	13	339	14	0	151	0	504	38.8
Bru McCoy	12	15	472	0	0	0	487	40.6
Squirrel White	13	-7	381	112	0	0	486	37.4
DeSean Bishop	10	455	10	0	0	0	465	46.5
Nico Iamaleava	13	358	0	0	0	0	358	27.5
Chris Brazzell II	13	0	333	0	0	0	333	25.6
Miles Kitselman	13	1	301	0	0	0	302	23.2
Boo Carter	13	0	0	198	0	9	207	15.9
Cameron Seldon	6	118	-2	0	77	0	193	32.2
Will Brooks	13	0	0	0	0	152	152	11.7
Holden Staes	13	0	131	0	0	0	131	10.1
Jermody McCoy	13	0	0	59	0	71	130	10.0
Mike Matthews	11	0	90	0	32	0	122	11.1
Chas Nimrod	12	0	121	0	0	0	121	10.1
Khalifa Keith	4	100	8	0	0	0	108	27.0
Ethan Davis	12	0	100	0	0	0	100	8.3
Jordan Ross	11	0	0	49	0	0	49	4.5
Kaleb Webb	7	0	48	0	0	0	48	6.9
Hunter Barnes	4	38	0	0	0	0	38	9.5
William Wright	10	0	0	0	26	0	26	2.6
Jake Merklinger	2	22	0	0	0	0	22	11.0
Braylon Staley	4	0	21	0	0	0	21	5.3
Gaston Moore	6	18	0	0	0	0	18	3.0
Trey Weary	2	0	18	0	0	0	18	9.0
Arion Carter	13	0	0	0	0	15	15	1.2
Nathan Leacock	5	0	13	0	0	0	13	2.6
Patrick Wilk	3	12	0	0	0	0	12	4.0
Dayton Sneed	3	0	12	0	0	0	12	4.0
Braylon Harmon	2	0	0	6	0	0	6	3.0
Navy Shuler	2	5	0	0	0	0	5	2.5
Total	13	2936	2875	424	290	247	6772	520.9
Opponents	13	1351	2461	115	229	256	4412	339.4

Punt Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Boo Carter	12	198	16.5	0	38
Squirrel White	7	112	16.0	0	31
Jermody McCoy	6	59	9.8	0	23
Jordan Ross	1	49	49.0	1	36
Braylon Harmon	1	6	6.0	0	6
Total	27	424	15.7	1	38
Opponents	17	115	6.8	0	30

Interceptions

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Will Brooks	4	152	38.0	1	85
Jermody McCoy	4	71	17.8	0	54
Andre Turrentine	1	0	0.0	0	0
Arion Carter	1	15	15.0	0	15
John Slaughter	1	0	0.0	0	0
Boo Carter	1	9	9.0	0	9
Total	12	247	20.6	1	85
Opponents	7	256	36.6	1	87

Kick Returns

Player	no.	yds	avg	td	lg
Peyton Lewis	7	151	21.6	0	31
Cameron Seldon	3	77	25.7	0	35
William Wright	1	26	26.0	0	26
Squirrel White	1	0	0.0	0	0

Total Offense

Player	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g
Nico Iamaleava	13	443	358	2616	2974	228.8
Dylan Sampson	13	258	1491	0	1491	114.7
Sean Bishop	10	74	455	0	455	45.5
Peyton Lewis	13	64	339	0	339	26.1
Gaston Moore	6	30	18	201	219	36.5
Cameron Seldon	6	23	118	0	118	19.7
Khalifa Keith	4	21	100	0	100	25.0
Jake Merklinger	2	16	22	48	70	35.0
Hunter Barnes	4	7	38	0	38	9.5
Jermody McCoy	12	2	15	0	15	1.3
Navy Shuler	2	5	5	10	15	7.5
Patrick Wilk	3	3	12	0	12	4.0
Miles Kitselman	13	2	1	0	1	0.1
Squirrel White	13	1	-7	0	-7	-0.5

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INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

#	Player	gp	ua	a	tot	ttl/yds	no-yds	int-yds	brup	qbh	fr-yds	ff	kick	saf
7	Arion Carter	13	29	39	68	6.5-9	.	1-15	6	3	.	.	.	.
35	Will Brooks	13	35	24	59	4-5	0.5-1	4-152	5	1	.	1	.	.
3	Jermody McCoy	13	26	18	44	0.5-0	.	4-71	9	.	.	.	.	.
22	Jeremiah Telander	13	20	23	43	3.5-4	0.5-1	.	1	1	3-0	.	.	.
19	Joshua Josephs	13	17	22	39	9-25	1.5-10	.	3	8	2-0	3	.	.
27	James Pearce Jr.	13	23	15	38	13-61	7.5-53	.	1	10	1-0	1	.	.
23	Boo Carter	13	28	10	38	3-13	1-10	1-9	.	3	.	.	.	.
2	Andre Turrentine	13	20	17	37	1.5-3	.	1-0	3	.	.	.	.	.
39	Jalen Smith	12	13	21	34	1.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Rickey Gibson III	12	25	7	32	2-15	.	.	5	.	.	1	.	.
11	Keenan Pili	6	11	18	29	1.5-4	.	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
14	Christian Charles	10	18	10	28	2-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Kalib Perry	12	11	15	26	2.5-10	.	.	.	1	.	1	.	.
30	Dominic Bailey	13	10	15	25	3.5-17	2-15	.	.	5	2-0	1	.	.
20	Bryson Eason	13	16	8	24	7-27	1.5-9	.	1	5	.	.	.	.
21	Omari Thomas	13	13	10	23	6-18	1-7	.	4	4	.	.	.	.
9	Jakobe Thomas	13	14	8	22	3-12	1-5	.	2	.	1-0	.	.	.
5	Christian Harrison	12	12	8	20	2.5-6	0.5-1	.	1	2	.	.	.	.
53	Daevin Hobbs	13	7	13	20	2.5-5	1-3	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
55	Omarr Norman-Lott	13	8	10	18	4-32	4-32	.	.	3	.	.	.	.
51	Jaxon Moi	13	7	9	16	4.5-19	2-13	.	1	.	.	1	.	.
42	Tyre West	12	8	8	16	5-23	2-12	.	.	2	.	1	.	1
5	Jalen McMurray	13	12	2	14	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.	.
15	Edrees Farooq	13	8	5	13	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
10	Elijah Simmons	13	4	7	11	1.5-7	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
37	Jayson Jenkins	13	3	6	9	3.5-18	2-14	.	.	.	.	1	.	1
31	Caleb Herring	12	4	4	8	1-3	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.
13	Edwin Spillman	4	3	3	6	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
33	Ben Bolton	10	2	3	5	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
12	John Slaughter	10	3	2	5	0.5-1	.	1-0	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Carson Gentle	3	1	4	5	0.5-2	0.5-2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
52	Eli Purcell	13	.	4	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
25	Kaleb Beasley	13	2	2	4	.	.	.	1	.	.	.	.	.
56	Kellen Lindstrom	3	2	2	4	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
47	Matthew Salansky	13	2	1	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
24	Jordan Matthews	12	2	1	3	.	.	.	2	.	.	.	.	.
34	Nathan Robinson	13	.	3	3	0.5-0	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
29	Jordan Ross	11	1	2	3	1.5-4	.	.	.	.	.	.	1	.
30	Jamal Wallace	3	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
50	Ryan Scott	4	2	1	3	1-1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
18	Tyree Weathersby	13	.	2	2	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
0	William Wright	10	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
70	Andrej Karic	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
13	Gaston Moore	6	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
3	Nico Iamaleava	13	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
35	Nathan Leacock	5	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
27	Peyton Lewis	13	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
40	Colin Brazzell	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
43	Jackson Mathews	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
54	Jordan Burns	1	.	1	1	0.5-3	0.5-3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
57	Grier Short	3	.	1	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
39	Mike Bethea II	2	1	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
	Totals	13	432	388	820	100-354	29-191	12-247	49	55	9-0	11	1	3
	Opponents	13	491	514	1005	62-216	30-150	7-256	39	19	8-1	9	0	0

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TENNESSEE GAME-BY-GAME

Date	Opponent	Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot off
		no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	46	304	5	56	33	414	3	59	33-44-1	414	3	59	1	35	0	35	3	69	1	36	718
09/07/2024	vs NC State	44	249	3	34	16	211	2	45	16-23-2	211	2	45	0	0	0	0	3	58	0	31	460
09/14/2024	Kent St.	55	456	6	53	16	284	3	53	16-25-0	284	3	53	1	32	0	32	5	106	0	35	740
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	52	151	1	17	13	194	1	66	13-21-0	194	1	66	1	0	0	0	2	12	0	8	345
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	36	174	2	53	17	158	0	42	17-29-0	158	0	42	1	24	0	24	0	0	0	0	332
10/12/2024	Florida	43	143	3	23	16	169	0	24	16-26-1	169	0	24	0	0	0	0	2	34	0	17	312
10/19/2024	Alabama	43	214	2	36	14	194	1	55	14-28-2	194	1	55	1	18	0	18	0	0	0	0	408
11/02/2024	Kentucky	44	185	3	17	28	292	1	31	28-38-0	292	1	31	1	21	0	21	2	2	0	1	477
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	57	240	1	33	13	212	2	73	13-21-0	212	2	73	2	57	0	31	6	56	0	28	452
11/16/2024	at Georgia	39	146	2	27	20	167	0	17	20-33-0	167	0	17	1	13	0	13	1	26	0	26	313
11/23/2024	UTEP	39	241	4	29	18	219	4	25	18-29-0	219	4	25	1	26	0	26	3	61	0	38	460
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	47	281	0	28	18	257	4	86	18-26-1	257	4	86	3	40	0	19	0	0	0	0	538
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	39	152	2	26	14	104	0	21	14-31-0	104	0	21	1	24	0	24	0	0	0	0	256
Tennessee		584	2936	34	56	236	2875	21	86	236-374-7	2875	21	86	14	290	0	35	27	424	1	38	5811
Opponents		455	1351	13	50	224	2461	11	46	224-381-12	2461	11	46	10	229	1	100	17	115	0	30	3812

Tennessee Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effic	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
13	5.0	12.2	142.5	20.7	15.7	520.9	447.0

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd kick	PAT attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	33	26	59	5.0-18	1-8	1	1-0	0-0	5	7	1	9-9	0	0	0	7	69
09/07/2024	vs NC State	25	32	57	13.0-40	3-13	1	2-0	1-85	4	3	0	6-6	0	0	0	7	51
09/14/2024	Kent St.	20	34	54	2.0-3	0-0	0	0-0	0-0	4	5	0	9-9	0	0	1	0	71
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	43	14	57	11.0-45	3-27	2	2-0	1-17	4	4	0	2-2	0	0	1	10	25
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	33	54	87	7.0-19	2-9	1	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
10/12/2024	Florida	32	52	84	12.0-46	3-25	2	1-0	1-15	3	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	3	23
10/19/2024	Alabama	41	30	71	9.0-37	3-19	0	0-0	2-54	12	1	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	24
11/02/2024	Kentucky	33	30	63	3.0-23	3-23	1	1-0	2-67	7	4	0	4-4	0	0	0	7	28
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	25	36	61	9.0-36	4-28	1	1-0	1-9	5	4	0	3-3	0	0	0	0	33
11/16/2024	at Georgia	42	10	52	2.0-3	0-0	1	0-0	0-0	0	6	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
11/23/2024	UTEP	39	26	65	15.0-54	4-26	1	1-0	2-0	5	4	0	8-8	0	0	0	7	56
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	27	24	51	5.0-19	3-13	0	0-0	1-0	1	4	0	4-4	0	0	1	0	36
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	39	20	59	7.0-11	0-0	0	0-0	1-0	2	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	3	17
Tennessee		432	388	820	100.0-354	29-191	11	9-0	12-247	55	49	1	56-56	0	0	3	44	464
Opponents		491	514	1005	62.0-216	30-150	9	8-1	7-256	19	39	0	21-22	0	1	0	17	209

Date	Opponent	Punting									Field Goals			Kickoffs				
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	1	23	23.0	23	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	42	0	12	780	65.0	12	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	1	43	43.0	43	0	0	1	0	1	3-4	45	0	9	579	64.3	8	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2-2	36	0	11	678	61.6	8	1
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	8	387	48.4	57	0	1	1	3	2	3-3	41	0	6	390	65.0	6	0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	7	299	42.7	51	0	1	1	2	2	0-0	0	0	3	195	65.0	3	0
10/12/2024	Florida	7	319	45.6	53	0	0	4	1	3	1-1	35	0	4	260	65.0	4	0
10/19/2024	Alabama	4	187	46.8	49	0	0	0	0	2	1-3	41	0	5	325	65.0	5	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	3	119	39.7	45	0	0	1	0	1	0-3	0	0	5	325	65.0	3	0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	3	139	46.3	49	0	0	1	0	0	4-4	51	0	7	450	64.3	6	1
11/16/2024	at Georgia	5	210	42.0	53	0	0	3	1	5	1-1	52	0	4	253	63.3	3	0
11/23/2024	UTEP	6	281	46.8	52	0	1	1	2	3	0-0	0	0	9	585	65.0	9	0



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OPPONENT GAME-BY-GAME

		Rushing				Receiving				Passing				Kick Returns				Punt Returns				tot
Date	Opponent	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	cmp-att-int	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	no.	yds	td	lg	off
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	35	74	0	10	13	153	0	22	13-24-0	153	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	227
09/07/2024	vs NC State	28	39	0	15	15	104	0	28	15-22-1	104	0	28	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	143
09/14/2024	Kent St.	32	54	0	30	9	58	0	9	9-16-0	58	0	9	1	8	0	8	0	0	0	0	112
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	34	36	1	17	18	186	1	46	18-34-1	186	1	46	0	0	0	0	5	30	0	17	222
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	44	137	2	24	21	297	0	30	21-30-0	297	0	30	0	0	0	0	2	13	0	8	434
10/12/2024	Florida	40	138	0	23	20	223	2	27	20-32-1	223	2	27	0	0	0	0	2	57	0	30	361
10/19/2024	Alabama	34	75	1	11	25	239	1	28	25-45-2	239	1	28	0	0	0	0	3	15	0	11	314
11/02/2024	Kentucky	37	168	0	50	14	192	2	32	14-27-2	192	2	32	2	39	0	23	0	0	0	0	360
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	38	179	2	43	10	92	0	23	10-26-1	92	0	23	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	2	271
11/16/2024	at Georgia	31	106	2	16	25	347	2	38	25-40-0	347	2	38	1	16	0	16	1	2	0	2	453
11/23/2024	UTEP	38	81	0	14	21	149	0	34	21-36-2	149	0	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	230
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	31	108	1	20	8	104	1	31	8-18-1	104	1	31	4	164	1	100	0	0	0	0	212
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	33	156	4	29	25	317	2	40	25-31-1	317	2	40	1	0	0	0	2	-3	0	1	473
Opponents		455	1351	13	50	224	2461	11	46	224-381-12	2461	11	46	10	229	1	100	17	115	0	30	3812
Tennessee		584	2936	34	56	236	2875	21	86	236-374-7	2875	21	86	14	290	0	35	27	424	1	38	5811

Opponents Averages

Games	Avg/ rush	Avg/ catch	Pass effc	KR avg	PR avg	All purpose avg/game	Total offense avg/game
13	3.0	11.0	116.3	22.9	6.8	339.4	293.2

Date	Opponent	Tackles				Sacks no-yds	Fumble		Pass Defense			blkd kick	PAT attempts			off		
		ua	a	total	tfl-yds		ff	fr-yds	int-yds	qbh	brup		kick	rush	rcv	saf	t/o	pts
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	44	48	92	4.0-9	2-6	0	0-0	1-71	1	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3
09/07/2024	vs NC State	30	50	80	5.0-10	0-0	0	0-0	2-116	5	1	0	1-1	0	0	0	10	10
09/14/2024	Kent St.	35	56	91	2.0-8	1-6	0	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	42	38	80	9.0-32	3-14	2	2-1	0-0	1	2	0	0-1	0	0	0	0	15
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	29	38	67	4.0-19	4-19	0	0-0	0-0	3	3	0	1-1	0	0	0	0	19
10/12/2024	Florida	35	32	67	8.0-28	3-19	1	1-0	1-20	1	2	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
10/19/2024	Alabama	32	36	68	4.0-18	3-17	1	1-0	2-50	2	3	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	17
11/02/2024	Kentucky	49	34	83	4.0-10	2-8	1	1-0	0-0	2	4	0	1-1	0	1	0	0	18
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	42	58	100	3.0-6	0-0	1	1-0	0-0	0	1	0	2-2	0	0	0	0	14
11/16/2024	at Georgia	51	6	57	6.0-21	5-19	1	1-0	0-0	0	3	0	4-4	0	0	0	0	31
11/23/2024	UTEP	26	50	76	5.0-12	3-7	0	0-0	0-0	0	3	0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	45	28	73	2.0-2	0-0	1	1-0	1--1	1	4	0	2-2	0	0	0	7	23
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	31	40	71	6.0-41	4-35	1	0-0	0-0	0	9	0	6-6	0	0	0	0	42
Opponents		491	514	1005	62.0-216	30-150	9	8-1	7-256	19	39	0	21-22	0	1	0	17	209
Tennessee		432	388	820	100.0-354	29-191	11	9-0	12-247	55	49	1	56-56	0	0	3	44	464

Date	Opponent	Punting										Field Goals			Kickoffs			
		no.	yds	avg	long	blkd	tb	fc	50+	i20	md-att	long	blkd	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	9	314	34.9	52	1	0	2	2	0	1-3	43	0	2	99	49.5	0	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	6	276	46.0	58	0	0	2	3	1	1-1	24	0	3	195	65.0	3	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	8	334	41.8	49	0	1	0	0	1	0-1	0	0	2	125	62.5	1	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	7	357	51.0	63	0	1	2	4	3	1-1	37	0	4	262	65.5	1	0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	3	172	57.3	66	0	1	0	2	0	2-3	23	0	5	324	64.8	4	0
10/12/2024	Florida	5	224	44.8	59	0	0	3	2	2	1-2	42	0	4	260	65.0	4	0
10/19/2024	Alabama	7	327	46.7	59	0	1	3	2	2	1-2	35	0	4	254	63.5	2	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	4	200	50.0	61	0	0	1	2	2	1-1	32	0	4	257	64.3	3	0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	7	301	43.0	50	0	0	0	1	0	0-0	0	0	3	191	63.7	1	0
11/16/2024	at Georgia	4	177	44.3	53	0	0	1	2	2	1-1	36	0	6	389	64.8	5	0
11/23/2024	UTEP	6	185	30.8	39	0	0	0	0	1	0-2	0	0	1	58	58.0	0	0

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TEAM GAME-BY-GAME COMPARISON

Opponent	Score	First Downs				Rushing Number-Yards	Passing		Total Offense Plays-Yards	Return Yards	Turn- Overs
		Total	Rush	Pass	Pen		Comp-Att-Int	Yards			
Chattanooga	69-3	36 / 10	14 / 2	21 / 8	1 / 0	46-304 / 35-74	33-44-1 / 13-24-0	414 / 153	90-718 / 59-227	104 / 71	1 / 1
NC State	51-10	22 / 10	11 / 2	11 / 6	0 / 2	44-249 / 28-39	16-23-2 / 15-22-1	211 / 104	67-460 / 50-143	143 / 118	2 / 3
Kent St.	71-0	32 / 8	20 / 5	12 / 2	0 / 1	55-456 / 32-54	16-25-0 / 9-16-0	284 / 58	80-740 / 48-112	138 / 8	0 / 0
Oklahoma	25-15	14 / 16	8 / 4	5 / 8	1 / 4	52-151 / 34-36	13-21-0 / 18-34-1	194 / 186	73-345 / 68-222	29 / 31	2 / 3
Arkansas	14-19	16 / 23	6 / 8	8 / 14	2 / 1	36-174 / 44-137	17-29-0 / 21-30-0	158 / 297	65-332 / 74-434	24 / 13	0 / 0
Florida	23-17	18 / 22	9 / 10	9 / 11	0 / 1	43-143 / 40-138	16-26-1 / 20-32-1	169 / 223	69-312 / 72-361	49 / 77	2 / 2
Alabama	24-17	21 / 23	7 / 8	8 / 12	6 / 3	43-214 / 34-75	14-28-2 / 25-45-2	194 / 239	71-408 / 79-314	72 / 65	3 / 2
Kentucky	28-18	29 / 19	13 / 9	15 / 6	1 / 4	44-185 / 37-168	28-38-0 / 14-27-2	292 / 192	82-477 / 64-360	90 / 39	1 / 3
Mississippi St.	33-14	25 / 15	13 / 9	8 / 5	4 / 1	57-240 / 38-179	13-21-0 / 10-26-1	212 / 92	78-452 / 64-271	122 / 1	1 / 2
Georgia	17-31	20 / 25	11 / 8	8 / 15	1 / 2	39-146 / 31-106	20-33-0 / 25-40-0	167 / 347	72-313 / 71-453	39 / 18	1 / 0
UTEP	56-0	26 / 15	11 / 6	15 / 8	0 / 1	39-241 / 38-81	18-29-0 / 21-36-2	219 / 149	68-460 / 74-230	87 / 0	0 / 3
Vanderbilt	36-23	28 / 15	16 / 7	11 / 5	1 / 3	47-281 / 31-108	18-26-1 / 8-18-1	257 / 104	73-538 / 49-212	40 / 163	2 / 1
Ohio St.	17-42	17 / 24	12 / 8	4 / 14	1 / 2	39-152 / 33-156	14-31-0 / 25-31-1	104 / 317	70-256 / 64-473	24 / -3	0 / 1
Totals	464-209	304 / 225	151 / 86	135 / 114	18 / 25	584-2936 / 455-1351	236-374-7 / 224-381-12	2875 / 2461	958-5811 / 836-3812	961 / 601	15 / 21

Opponents	3rd Down Conversion		4th Down Conversion		Time of Possession	TOP Margin	Avg Yds/Rush	Avg Yds/Pass	Avg Yds/Play	Punting Number-Avg	Penalties Number-Yards		Sacks
Chattanooga	9-15	1-14	1-1	0-0	29:10 / 30:46	-01:36	6.6 / 2.1	9.4 / 6.4	8.0 / 3.8	1-23.0 / 9-34.9	6-52.0 / 9-65.0		1 / 2
NC State	7-14	3-12	1-1	0-2	31:28 / 28:32	02:56	5.7 / 1.4	9.2 / 4.7	6.9 / 2.9	1-43.0 / 6-46.0	7-70.0 / 6-52.0		3 / 0
Kent St.	9-15	2-12	3-4	0-0	31:45 / 28:15	03:30	8.3 / 1.7	11.4 / 3.6	9.3 / 2.3	0-0.0 / 8-41.8	5-54.0 / 2-7.0		0 / 1
Oklahoma	6-19	3-15	0-0	1-3	35:41 / 24:28	11:13	2.9 / 1.1	9.2 / 5.5	4.7 / 3.3	8-48.4 / 7-51.0	10-82.0 / 3-32.0		3 / 3
Arkansas	7-16	6-15	0-2	1-3	24:31 / 35:28	-10:57	4.8 / 3.1	5.4 / 9.9	5.1 / 5.9	7-42.7 / 3-57.3	10-60.0 / 6-45.0		2 / 4
Florida	4-15	5-15	2-2	0-2	25:04 / 34:56	-09:52	3.3 / 3.5	6.5 / 7.0	4.5 / 5.0	7-45.6 / 5-44.8	6-47.0 / 6-36.0		3 / 3
Alabama	6-14	3-14	0-0	1-2	26:32 / 33:15	-06:43	5.0 / 2.2	6.9 / 5.3	5.7 / 4.0	4-46.8 / 7-46.7	11-95.0 / 15-115.0		3 / 3
Kentucky	7-14	4-14	1-1	0-2	29:28 / 30:32	-01:04	4.2 / 4.5	7.7 / 7.1	5.8 / 5.6	3-39.7 / 4-50.0	9-77.0 / 10-71.0		3 / 2
Mississippi St.	5-14	3-13	1-2	2-3	34:18 / 25:42	08:36	4.2 / 4.7	10.1 / 3.5	5.8 / 4.2	3-46.3 / 7-43.0	6-50.0 / 9-85.0		4 / 0
Georgia	10-18	8-14	1-2	0-0	29:31 / 30:29	-00:58	3.7 / 3.4	5.1 / 8.7	4.3 / 6.4	5-42.0 / 4-44.3	9-70.0 / 7-59.0		0 / 5
UTEP	6-12	7-18	0-0	1-3	26:11 / 33:49	-07:38	6.2 / 2.1	7.6 / 4.1	6.8 / 3.1	6-46.8 / 6-30.8	7-60.0 / 5-19.0		4 / 3
Vanderbilt	11-15	4-10	0-1	0-1	33:35 / 26:25	07:10	6.0 / 3.5	9.9 / 5.8	7.4 / 4.3	1-36.0 / 3-50.3	13-102.0 / 8-80.0		3 / 0
Ohio St.	6-16	4-9	1-2	1-1	27:10 / 32:50	-05:40	3.9 / 4.7	3.4 / 10.2	3.7 / 7.4	7-40.9 / 3-39.3	6-50.0 / 3-25.0		0 / 4
Totals	93-197	53-175	11-18	7-22	384:24 / 395:27	-11:03	5.0 / 3.0	7.7 / 6.5	6.1 / 4.6	53-43.9 / 72-43.6	105-869.0 / 89-691.0		29 / 30

TURNOVERS

TENNESSEE GIVEAWAY/TAKEAWAY

Game	Giveaway			Takeaway			Dif.
	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	
vs. Syracuse	1	0	1	1	1	2	+1
TOTAL	1	0	1	1	1	2	+1

INTERCEPTIONS

Name	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
vs. Syracuse	1	0	0.0	0	0
TOTAL	1	0	0.0	0	0

FUMBLES

Name	No.-Lost
Joey Aguilar	1-1
TOTAL	1-1

OPENING DRIVES

OPENING OFFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
vs. Syracuse	Field Goal	Touchdown

OPENING DEFENSIVE SERIES

Game	1st Half	2nd Half
vs. Syracuse	Punt	Interception

UNIFORMS

TENNESSEE UNIFORM COMBOS

Game	Helmet	Jersey	Pants
vs. Syracuse	White	Orange	White

PREGAME

COIN FLIPS

Game	Flip Outcome
vs. Syracuse	Syracuse Won & Deferred to 2nd Half

TENNESSEE CAPTAINS

Game	Name(s)
vs. Syracuse	Bennett Brady, Arion Carter, Miles Kitselman, Andre Turrentine



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STARTING LINEUPS

Offense	TE	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	WR	WR	QB	RB	RB/FB/TE	WR
vs. Syracuse	M. Kitselman	L. Heard	S. Umarov	S. Pendleton	W. Moe	J. Perry	M. Matthews	B. Staley	J. Aguilar	D. Bishop	--	C. Brazzell
Defense	LEO	DT	DT	DE	MLB	WLB	SLB	STAR	CB	S	S	CB
vs. Syracuse	J. Josephs	J. Moi	B. Eason	D. Bailey	J. Telander	A. Carter	--	J. McMurray	C. Hood	E. Farooq	A. Turrentine	R. Gibson

STARTING EXPERIENCE

OFFENSE	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Tot	Strk	DEFENSE	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Tot	Strk
Joey Aguilar, QB	.	.	.	13*	11*	1	25	25	Dominic Bailey, DL	.	.	.	2	10	1	13	6
DeSean Bishop, RB	1	1	1	Arion Carter, LB	.	.	.	.	13	1	14	14
Chris Brazzell II, WR	.	.	.	8*	9	1	18	1	Boo Carter, DB	.	.	.	.	5	.	5	.
Lance Heard, OL	.	.	.	1*	11	1	13	10	Bryson Eason, DL	.	.	1	7	13	1	22	14
Miles Kitselman, TE	13	1	14	14	Edrees Farooq, DB	.	.	.	.	.	1	1	1
Mike Matthews, WR	1	1	1	Rickey Gibson III, DB	.	.	.	1	12	1	14	13
Wendell Moe Jr., OL	.	.	3*	13*	11*	1	28	8	Colton Hood, DB	.	.	.	.	1*	1	2	1
Sam Pendleton, OL	7*	1	8	1	Joshua Josephs, DL	.	.	.	.	5	1	6	1
Jesse Perry, OL	1	1	1	Jermod McCoy, DB	.	.	.	5*	13	.	18	.
Braylon Staley, WR	1	1	1	Jalen McMurray, DB	.	.	12*	11*	1	1	25	1
Star Thomas, RB	.	.	1*	3*	10*	.	14	.	Jaxson Moi, DL	.	.	1*	7*	.	1	9	1
Shamurad Umarov, OL	1	1	1	Jeremiah Telander, LB	8	1	9	9
									Andre Turrentine, DB	.	.	.	3	13	1	17	17
									Tyre West, DL	3	.	3	.

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EXPLOSIVE PLAYS (20+ YARDS)

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS
BY TENNESSEE (8)

OFFENSE (6)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
73*	Pass	Aguilar to Staley	SU
47	Rush	DeSean Bishop	SU
25	Rush	Joey Aguilar	SU
23	Pass	Aguilar to Bishop	SU
22	Rush	Star Thomas	SU
21	Pass	Aguilar to Bishop	SU
* touchdown scored on play			
DEFENSE (1)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
22*	FR	Colton Hood	SU
* touchdown scored on play			
SPECIAL TEAMS (1)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Opp.
24	KR	Peyton Lewis	SU
* touchdown scored on play			

20-YARD PLUS PLAYS
BY OPPONENT (7)

OFFENSE (7)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
29	Pass	Angeli to Cook	SU
28	Pass	Angeli to Russell	SU
26	Pass	Angeli to Gill	SU
23	Pass	Angeli to Ross-Simmons	SU
22	Pass	Angeli to Ross-Simmons	SU
21	Pass	Angeli to Nixon	SU
20	Pass	Angeli to Villari	SU
* touchdown scored on play			
DEFENSE (0)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
* touchdown scored on play			
SPECIAL TEAMS (0)			
Yards	Type	Player(s)	Team
* touchdown scored on play			

UT LONG PLAYS BY THE NUMBERS

Long Plays By Yards	No.	TD
100+	0	0
90-99	0	0
80-89	0	0
70-79	1	1
60-69	0	0
50-59	0	0
40-49	1	0
30-39	0	0
20-29	6	1

Long Plays By Type	No.	TD
Rushing	3	0
Passing	3	1
Punt returns	0	0
Kick returns	1	0
Interceptions	0	0
Fumble returns	1	1
Other	0	0
TOTAL	8	2

20-YARDS-PLUS BY PLAYER

Player	No.	TD	Rush	Rec	KR	PR	IR	FR
DeSean Bishop	3	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Joey Aguilar	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Colton Hood	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Peyton Lewis	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Braylon Staley	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Star Thomas	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	8	2	3	3	1	0	0	1

20-YARDS-PLUS BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
vs. Syracuse	8	2	3	3	1	0	0	1
TOTAL	8	2	3	3	1	0	0	1

20-YARDS-PLUS OPPONENT BY GAME

Player	No.	TD	R	P	KR	PR	IR	FR
vs. Syracuse	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	7	0	0	7	0	0	0	0

TENNESSEE'S LONGEST PLAYS OF THE YEAR

Rushing	47	DeSean Bishop vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Rushing TD	2	Peyton Lewis vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Passing	73	B. Staley from J. Aguilar vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Passing TD	73	B. Staley from J. Aguilar vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Punt Return	2	Braylon Staley vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Kick Return	24	Peyton Lewis vs. Syracuse (8/30)
INT Return	--	--
Fumble Return	22	Colton Hood vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Field Goal	34	Max Gilbert vs. Syracuse (8/30)
Punt	56	Jackson Ross vs. Syracuse (8/30)



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TENNESSEE MISCELLANEOUS INDIVIDUAL STATS

GAMES WITH A RECEPTION

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
DeSean Bishop	1	1	1	2
Chris Brazzell II	...	1*	12*	12	1	3	26
Ethan Davis	1	8	...	...	9
Miles Kitselman	...	1*	...	9	1	7	11
Peyton Lewis	2	...	...	2
Mike Matthews	4	1	1	5
Nathan Roberts	1	...	...	...	1
Braylon Staley	2	1	2	3
Star Thomas	...	10*	11*	8*	1	4	30
Trey Weary	1	...	...	1

FIRST DOWN RECEPTIONS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
DeSean Bishop	1	2	3
Chris Brazzell II	...	1*	33*	18	3	55
Ethan Davis	2	6	...	8
Miles Kitselman	...	1*	...	18	...	19
Mike Matthews	5	2	7
Braylon Staley	1	2	3
Trey Weary	2	...	2
Star Thomas	...	5*	13*	7*	...	25

25+ YARD RECEPTIONS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Chris Brazzell II	9*	1	...	10
Miles Kitselman	1	...	1
Mike Matthews	1	...	1
Braylon Staley	1	1
Star Thomas	...	3*	...	1*	...	4

GAMES WITH A RECEIVING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Chris Brazzell II	4*	2	...	...	6
Ethan Davis	2	...	...	2
Miles Kitselman	4	1	1	5
Mike Matthews	2	...	...	2
Braylon Staley	1	1	1	1
Star Thomas	...	3*	2*	1*	1	1	7

GAMES WITH A RUSHING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	3*	1*	...	...	4
DeSean Bishop	2	1	1	3
Miles Kitselman	1	...	...	1
Peyton Lewis	2	1	1	3
Star Thomas	...	5*	3*	6*	...	...	14

10+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Joey Aguilar	14*	14*	1	29
Hunter Barnes	2	...	2
DeSean Bishop	12	1	13
Peyton Lewis	9	...	9
Jake Merklinger	1	...	1
Star Thomas	...	12*	19*	22*	4	57

20+ YARD RUSHES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Career
Joey Aguilar	3*	2*	1	6
DeSean Bishop	4	1	5
Peyton Lewis	4	...	4
Jake Merklinger	1	...	1
Star Thomas	...	5*	6*	9*	1	21

GAMES WITH A PASSING TOUCHDOWN

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	11*	11*	1	12	23

GAMES WITH MULTIPLE PASSING TOUCHDOWNS

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Joey Aguilar	11*	8*	1	3	20

GAMES WITH A TACKLE

Player	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Hunter Barnes	1	...	...	...	...	1
Dominic Bailey	...	1	7	8	12	1	3	29
Kaleb Beasley	3	1	1	4
Mike Bethea II	1	...	...	1
Ben Bolton	1	2	3	1	4	7
Colin Brazzell	1	...	...	1
Jordan Burns	1	1	1	2
Arion Carter	7	13	1	14	21
Boo Carter	13	1	14	14
Bryson Eason	2	2	12	12	11	1	1	40
Edrees Farooq	5	1	1	6
Carson Gentle	3	...	...	3
Rickey Gibson III	4	10	1	9	15
Marcus Goree Jr.	1	...	...	1
Jaedon Harmon	1	1	1
Caleb Herring	2	6	...	...	8
Daevin Hobbs	6	12	...	...	18
Colton Hood	1*	13*	1	15	15
Joshua Josephs	5	10	12	1	5	28
Peyton Lewis	1	...	...	1
Kellen Lindstrom	1	...	...	1
Jackson Mathews	1	...	...	1
Jermody McCoy	8*	11	...	...	19
Jalen McMurray	...	1*	12*	11*	10	1	2	35
Jaxson Moi	9*	9*	8	...	...	26
Ty Redmond	1	1	1
Nathan Robinson	3	1	2	4
Jordan Ross	2	1	1	3
Ryan Scott	3	...	...	3
Grier Short	1	...	...	1
Edwin Spillman	4	1	3	5
Jeremiah Telander	9	11	1	2	21
Josh Turbyville	1	...	...	...	1
Andre Turrentine	5	6	12	1	11	24
Jamal Wallace	2	1	1	3
Tyree Weathersby	1	1	2	2
Tyre West	6	6	9	...	...	21
William Wright	...	1	6	2	1	...	...	10

GAMES AS LEADING TACKLER (UT ONLY)

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Boo Carter	2	...	...	2
Arion Carter	4	1	1	5
Bryson Eason	1	...	...	1
Edrees Farooq	1	...	...	1
Joshua Josephs	1	...	...	1
Jermody McCoy	2	...	...	2
Jeremiah Telander	1	1	...	...	2
Andre Turrentine	...	1	...	...	...	...	1

DOUBLE-DIGIT TACKLE GAMES

Player	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	Streak	Career
Arion Carter	1	1
Jeremiah Telander	1	1

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GAME-BY-GAME CONVERSIONS/BY QUARTER STATS

3rd-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	9-15 60.0	1-3 33.3	4-6 66.7	0-1 0.0	4-5 80.0	0-0 0.0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W	51-10	7-14 50.0	2-3 66.7	0-2 0.0	4-6 66.7	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W	71-0	9-15 60.0	3-4 75.0	4-5 80.0	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	0-0 0.0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W	25-15	6-19 31.6	0-3 0.0	3-7 42.9	2-5 40.0	1-4 25.0	0-0 0.0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L	14-19	7-16 43.8	0-1 0.0	2-5 40.0	3-4 75.0	2-6 33.3	0-0 0.0
10/12/2024	Florida	Wot1	23-17	4-15 26.7	2-4 50.0	0-3 0.0	1-4 25.0	1-4 25.0	0-0 0.0
10/19/2024	Alabama	W	24-17	6-14 42.9	1-3 33.3	0-2 0.0	2-3 66.7	3-6 50.0	0-0 0.0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W	28-18	7-14 50.0	1-3 33.3	2-4 50.0	1-3 33.3	3-4 75.0	0-0 0.0
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W	33-14	5-14 35.7	1-4 25.0	2-4 50.0	0-2 0.0	2-4 50.0	0-0 0.0
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L	17-31	10-18 55.6	5-7 71.4	1-3 33.3	1-3 33.3	3-5 60.0	0-0 0.0
11/23/2024	UTEP	W	56-0	6-12 50.0	1-4 25.0	2-3 66.7	0-1 0.0	3-4 75.0	0-0 0.0
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	W	36-23	11-15 73.3	1-2 50.0	2-3 66.7	3-4 75.0	5-6 83.3	0-0 0.0
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	L	17-42	6-16 37.5	1-4 25.0	2-4 50.0	2-4 50.0	1-4 25.0	0-0 0.0
Tennessee Opponents				93-197 47.2 53-175 30.3	19-45 42.2 22-53 41.5	24-51 47.1 12-51 23.5	20-43 46.5 11-32 34.4	30-58 51.7 8-38 21.1	0-0 0.0 0-1 0.0

4th-Down Conversions

Date	Opponent		Score	Overall	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	4th Qtr	Overtime
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W	69-3	1-1 100.0	1-1 100.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0	0-0 0.0

RED ZONE STATS

Tennessee Inside Opponent Red-Zone

Date	Opponent	Score	Times	Times	Total	Rush				Pass	FGs	Failed to score inside RZ				
			In RZ	Scored	Pts	TDs	TDs	TDs	TDs	Made	FGA	Down	Int	Fumb	Half	Game
08/31/2024	Chattanooga	W 69-3	7	7	45	6	4	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
09/07/2024	vs NC State	W 51-10	6	5	28	3	1	2	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
09/14/2024	Kent St.	W 71-0	8	7	41	5	3	2	2	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
09/21/2024	at Oklahoma	W 25-15	3	3	13	1	1	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
10/05/2024	at Arkansas	L 14-19	3	2	14	2	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
10/12/2024	Florida	W 23-17	3	3	16	2	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/19/2024	Alabama	W 24-17	4	3	21	3	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
11/02/2024	Kentucky	W 28-18	8	4	28	4	3	1	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	1
11/09/2024	Mississippi St.	W 33-14	6	3	9	0	0	0	3	3	3	1	0	1	0	1
11/16/2024	at Georgia	L 17-31	1	1	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/23/2024	UTEP	W 56-0	8	8	56	8	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11/30/2024	at Vanderbilt	W 36-23	3	3	17	2	0	2	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
12/21/2024	at Ohio St.	L 17-42	3	3	17	2	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals 52 of 63 (82.5%)			63	52	312	39	25	14	13	16	3	2	1	0	2	

2024 STATISTICS

OFFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Passing

#8 Nico Iamaleava	Comp	Att	Int	Pct	Yards	TD	Long	Sacked	Effic.
Chattanooga	22	28	0	78.6	314	3	59	1-4	208.1
NC State	16	23	2	69.6	211	2	45	0-0	157.9
Kent St.	10	16	0	62.5	173	1	53	0-0	174.0

Rushing

Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP
Dylan Sampson	258-1491/22	12-124/3	20-132/2	13-101/4	24-92/1	22-138/2	27-112/3	26-139/2	27-142/2	30-149/1	19-101/1	11-77/1
Nico Iamaleava	109-358/3	4-6/0	8-65/1	5-31/0	8-15/0	11-17/0	8-1/0	9-44/0	7-14/0	4-22/0	12-18/0	7-36/0
DeSean Bishop	74-455/3	5-60/1	10-42/0	7-120/2	16-65/0	3-19/0	7-24/0	5-36/0	1-6/0	DNP	DNP	DNP
Peyton Lewis	64-339/3	4-14/0	3-5/0	10-99/0	-	-	-	-	8-24/1	14-44/0	6-30/0	7-46/2
Cameron Seldon	23-118/1	7-47/0	DNP	DNP	-	-	DNP	1-1/0	DNP	6-26/0	DNP	9-44/1
Khalifa Keith	21-100/1	10-43/1	3-5/0	4-13/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	4-39/0
Hunter Barnes	7-38/0	-	DNP	7-38/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	-
Jake Merklinger	7-22/0	3-1/0	DNP	4-21/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Gaston Moore	3-18/0	-	-	1-15/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	2-3/0	DNP	-
Patrick Wilk	3-12/0	-	DNP	3-12/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Bru McCoy	2-15/0	1-9/0	-	-	-	-	1-6/0	-	-	-	-	-
Navy Shuler	2-5/0	DNP	DNP	1-6/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	1--1/0
Miles Kitselman	2-1/1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-1/1	-
Squirrel White	1--7/0	-	-	-	1--7/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Receiving

Player	No-Yds/TD	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP
Bru McCoy	39-472/2	6-89/0	1-10/0	1-9/0	4-92/0	2-9/0	-	6-80/0	5-56/0	2-12/0	4-38/0	4-37/2
Squirrel White	34-381/2	2-22/0	2-67/0	1-19/0	3-13/0	7-38/0	5-71/0	-	2-11/0	3-63/1	6-45/0	2-15/1
Chris Brazzell II	29-333/2	5-59/0	3-18/0	2-63/1	1-0/0	2-21/0	3-49/0	2-27/1	2-11/0	2-17/0	1-6/0	-
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	26-661/6	3-105/2	-	2-64/0	2-73/1	1-42/0	1-11/0	3-70/0	5-36/0	3-104/1	-	2-24/0
Miles Kitselman	22-301/4	-	3-39/1	1-15/1	-	2-24/0	-	-	6-97/1	1-8/0	4-46/0	2-34/0
Dylan Sampson	20-143/0	3-29/0	3-37/0	1-4/0	-	1-11/0	2-7/0	-	1-9/0	1--3/0	3-16/0	2-25/0
Holden Staes	15-131/1	2-13/0	1-18/1	1-16/0	2-8/0	-	2-5/0	1-5/0	3-27/0	-	1-9/0	2-30/0
Ethan Davis	13-100/2	2-20/1	2-14/0	-	1-8/0	DNP	2-10/0	2-12/0	-	1-11/0	-	2-19/1
Chas Nimrod	10-121/0	1-7/0	-	2-34/0	-	2-13/0	1-16/0	-	3-45/0	-	-	-
Mike Matthews	7-90/2	DNP	DNP	2-35/1	-	-	-	-	1-0/0	-	-	1-25/0
Kaleb Webb	6-48/0	2-19/0	1-8/0	2-17/0	-	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Peyton Lewis	4-14/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-7/0	-
Braylon Staley	3-21/0	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	1-10/0
Trey Weary	3-18/0	3-18/0	DNP	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Nathan Leacock	1-13/0	1-13/0	-	-	DNP	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
Dayton Sneed	1-12/0	1-12/0	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP
DeSean Bishop	1-10/0	1-10/0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP
Khalifa Keith	1-8/0	-	-	1-8/0	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-
Cameron Seldon	1--2/0	1--2/0	DNP	DNP	-	-	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP	-

2025 STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE GAME-BY-GAME

Total Tackles

Tackles For Loss

Player	S-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	Kent	Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Arion Carter	29-39	68	0-3	2-1	0-3	James Pearce Jr.	10-6	13.0	-	0.5-2	-	0.5-8
Will Brooks	35-24	59	4-1	0-1	1-3	Joshua Josephs	5-8	9.0	0.5-1	1.0-5	-	1.0-1
Jermody McCoy	26-18	44	1-1	3-0	-	Bryson Eason	5-4	7.0	-	1.0-4	-	-
Jeremiah Telander	20-23	43	4-0	1-0	1-2	Arion Carter	4-5	6.5	-	1.5-3	-	1.0-1
Joshua Josephs	17-22	39	2-1	2-0	0-1	Omari Thomas	4-4	6.0	-	1.5-2	-	-
Boo Carter	28-10	38	2-0	2-0	0-1	Tyre West	4-2	5.0	2.0-11	0.5-1	-	1.0-4
James Pearce Jr.	23-15	38	-	0-1	-	Jaxson Moi	4-1	4.5	-	0.5-3	-	2.0-9
Andre Turrentine	20-17	37	1-1	1-0	-	Will Brooks	3-2	4.0	-	-	1.0-2	-
Jalen Smith	13-21	34	1-3	0-1	0-1	Omarr Norman-Lott	3-2	4.0	-	1.0-7	-	-
Rickey Gibson III	25-7	32	DNP	1-0	-	Dominic Bailey	3-1	3.5	-	1.0-1	-	-
Keenan Pili	11-18	29	1-1	1-3	1-2	Player	UA-A	Total	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK
Christian Charles	18-10	28	0-1	DNP	DNP	James Pearce Jr.	6-3	7.5	-	-	-	0.5-4
Kalib Perry	11-15	26	-	DNP	0-3	Omarr Norman-Lott	3-2	4	-	1-7	-	-
Dominic Bailey	10-15	25	2-1	1-2	1-0	Tyre West	2-0	2	1-8	-	-	1-4
Bryson Eason	16-8	24	2-0	2-2	-	Jaxson Moi	2-0	2	-	-	-	1-7
Omari Thomas	13-10	23	-	1-3	-	Dominic Bailey	2-0	2	-	1-1	-	-
Jakobe Thomas	14-8	22	1-1	2-1	3-1	Jayson Jenkins	1-2	2	-	-	-	0.5-4
Christian Harrison	12-8	20	1-0	1-1	-	Joshua Josephs	1-1	1.5	-	-	-	-
Daevin Hobbs	7-13	20	0-2	0-1	-	Bryson Eason	1-1	1.5	-	-	-	-
Omarr Norman-Lott	8-10	18	0-3	1-1	-	Jakobe Thomas	1-0	1	-	1-5	-	-
Tyre West	8-8	16	2-0	1-2	0-1	Omari Thomas	1-0	1	-	-	-	-
Jaxson Moi	7-9	16	-	0-3	-	Boo Carter	0-2	1	-	-	-	-
Jalen McMurray	12-2	14	1-0	0-1	1-0	Daevin Hobbs	0-2	1	-	-	-	-
Edrees Farooq	8-5	13	3-0	1-0	2-4	Christian Harrison	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-
Elijah Simmons	4-7	11	1-2	-	-	Jeremiah Telander	0-1	0.5	-	-	-	-
Jayson Jenkins	3-6	9	-	-	0-1							
Caleb Herring	4-4	8	0-1	1-0	DNP							
Edwin Spillman	3-3	6	DNP	DNP	0-2							
John Slaughter	3-2	5	-	0-2	1-0							
Ben Bolton	2-3	5	DNP	-	DNP							
Carson Gentle	1-4	5	1-1	DNP	0-2							
Kaleb Beasley	2-2	4	-	-	1-0							
Kellen Lindstrom	2-2	4	-	DNP	2-2							
Eli Purcell	0-4	4	-	0-1	0-2							
Jordan Matthews	2-1	3	0-1	-	2-0							
Matthew Salansky	2-1	3	-	-	-							
Ryan Scott	2-1	3	-	0-1	1-0							
Jordan Ross	1-2	3	1-0	0-2	DNP							
Jamal Wallace	0-3	3	0-1	DNP	0-2							
Nathan Robinson	0-3	3	-	0-1	0-1							
Tyree Weathersby	0-2	2	-	-	-							
William Wright	1-0	1	DNP	DNP	DNP							
Dont'e Thornton Jr.	1-0	1	-	-	-							
Nico Iamaleava	1-0	1	-	1-0	-							
Gaston Moore	1-0	1	-	-	-							
Marcus Goree Jr.	1-0	1	1-0	DNP	-							
Colin Brazzell	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0							
Jackson Mathews	1-0	1	-	DNP	1-0							
Andrej Karic	1-0	1	-	-	-							

2025 STATISTICS

RETURNS GAME-BY-GAME

Punt Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP	VU	OSU
Boo Carter	12-198	-	-	2-55	-	-	-	-	-	6-56	1-26	3-61	-	-
Squirrel White	7-112	1-20	3-58	1-22	2-12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jermod McCoy	6-59	1-0	-	1-23	-	-	2-34	-	2-2	-	-	-	-	-
Jordan Ross	1-49	1-49	-	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	DNP	-
Braylon Harmon	1-6	DNP	DNP	1-6	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	DNP	DNP

Kick Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP	VU	OSU
Peyton Lewis	7-151	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-21	1-31	1-13	1-26	2-36	1-24
Cameron Seldon	3-77	1-35	DNP	DNP	-	1-24	DNP	1-18	DNP	-	DNP	-	DNP	DNP
Mike Matthews	1-32	DNP	DNP	1-32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
William Wright	1-26	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	-	1-26	-	-	-	-
Dylan Sampson	1-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-4	-
Squirrel White	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Interceptions Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP	VU	OSU
Will Brooks	4-152	-	1-85	-	-	-	-	1-0	1-67	-	-	-	-	1-0
Jermod McCoy	4-71	-	-	-	1-17	-	-	1-54	-	-	-	1-0	1-0	-
Arion Carter	1-15	-	-	-	-	-	1-15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boo Carter	1-9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-9	-	-	-	-
Andre Turrentine	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-
John Slaughter	1-0	-	-	-	DNP	DNP	DNP	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-

Fumble Returns

Player	No-Yds	UTC	NCSU	KentSt	OK	AR	UF	UA	UK	MS	UG	UTEP	VU	OSU
Jeremiah Telander	3-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	1-0	-	-	-	-
Joshua Josephs	2-0	1-0	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominic Bailey	2-0	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-
Jakobe Thomas	1-0	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
James Pearce Jr.	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

2025 STATISTICS

TENNESSEE SCORING DRIVES

Opponent	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result	Qtr.	Time	How Scored
vs. Syracuse	9	59	2:14	FG	1	12:46	Gilbert 34-yd FG
vs. Syracuse	12	85	3:35	TD	1	6:02	Lewis 2-yd rush
vs. Syracuse	-	-	0:10	TD	1	0:56	Hood 22-yd FR
vs. Syarcuse	2	75	0:26	TD	2	11:14	Staley 73-yd rec.
vs. Syracuse	6	75	1:29	TD	2	0:21	Bishop 1-yd rush
vs. Syracuse	7	17	2:27	TD	3	12:22	Thomas 7-yd rec.
vs. Syracuse	9	54	4:42	TD	4	3:57	Kitselman 2-yd rec.

TOTAL - 7 Scores (6 TDs | 1 FG)



2025 STATISTICS

PARTICIPATION

##	Player	GP-GS	UTC	N	##	Player	GP-GS	UTC	N
0	William Wright	10/0	...		39	Malcolm Kinzer	1/0	...	
0	Ethan Davis	12/0	XXX		40	Colin Brazzell	2/0	XXX	
1	Dont'e Thornton Jr.	13/4	XXX		41	JT Carver	1/0	XXX	
1	Rickey Gibson III	12/12	...	S	42	Tyre West	12/3	XXX	
2	Andre Turrentine	13/13	START	S	42	Braylon Harmon	2/0	...	
3	Squirrel White	13/10	START		43	Jackson Mathews	2/0	XXX	
3	Jermod McCoy	13/13	START	S	44	Luke Shouse	0/0	...	
4	Jourdan Thomas	0/0	...		44	Steele Katina	0/0	...	
5	Bru McCoy	12/12	START	S	46	Cody Duncan	0/0	...	
5	Christian Harrison	12/4	START		47	Matthew Salansky	13/0	XXX	
6	Jalen McMurray	13/1	START		48	Bennett Brady	4/0	XXX	
6	Dylan Sampson	13/13	START	S	50	William Satterwhite	3/0	XXX	
7	Arion Carter	13/13	START	S	50	Ryan Scott	4/0	XXX	
8	Kalib Perry	12/3	XXX		51	Jaxson Moi	13/0	XXX	
8	Nico Iamaleava	13/13	START	S	52	Eli Purcell	13/0	XXX	
9	Jakobe Thomas	13/0	XXX		53	Daevin Hobbs	13/0	XXX	
10	Elijah Simmons	13/2	XXX		53	Lance Heard	11/11	START	S
10	Mike Matthews	11/0	...		54	Vysen Lang	5/0	XXX	
11	Keenan Pili	6/5	START	S	54	Jordan Burns	1/0	...	
11	Chas Nimrod	12/1	XXX		55	Omarr Norman-Lott	13/0	XXX	
12	John Slaughter	10/0	XXX		56	Kellen Lindstrom	3/0	XXX	
12	Jake Merklinger	2/0	XXX		57	Grier Short	3/0	XXX	
13	Gaston Moore	6/0	XXX		58	Herb Gray	0/0	...	
13	Edwin Spillman	4/0	...		58	Marshall Box	0/0	...	
14	Christian Charles	10/0	XXX		59	Masai Reddick	0/0	...	
14	Braylon Staley	4/0	...		59	Tim Amet	3/0	XXX	
15	Ryan Damron	1/0	...		60	Jeremias Heard	1/0	...	
15	Edrees Farooq	13/0	XXX		63	Cooper Mays	13/13	START	S
17	Chris Brazzell II	13/9	START	S	64	Ayden Bussell	3/0	XXX	
18	DeSean Bishop	10/0	XXX		65	Trevor Duncan	1/0	...	
18	Tyree Weathersby	13/0	XXX		66	Dayne Davis	13/2	XXX	
19	Holden Staes	13/3	XXX	S	68	Bennett Warren	5/0	XXX	
19	Joshua Josephs	13/5	XXX	S	69	Gus Hill	0/0	...	
20	Bryson Eason	13/13	START	S	70	Andrej Karic	13/13	START	S
20	Khalifa Keith	4/0	XXX		71	Max Anderson	2/0	...	
20	Omari Thomas	13/11	START	S	72	Jesse Perry	4/0	XXX	
21	Navy Shuler	2/0	...		73	Brian Grant	4/0	XXX	
22	Jeremiah Telander	13/8	XXX		74	John Campbell Jr.	13/13	START	S
23	Cameron Seldon	6/0	XXX		75	Jackson Lampley	13/1	XXX	
23	Boo Carter	13/5	XXX		76	Javontez Spraggins	13/12	START	S
24	Hunter Barnes	4/0	XXX		77	Larry Johnson III	12/0	XXX	
24	Jordan Matthews	12/0	XXX		78	Gage Ginther	3/0	XXX	
25	Kaleb Beasley	13/0	XXX		79	Shamurad Umarov	10/0	XXX	
26	Carson Whitehead	0/0	...		80	Nate Spillman	4/0	XXX	
27	James Pearce Jr.	13/9	START	S	82	Dayton Sneed	3/0	XXX	
27	Peyton Lewis	13/0	XXX		83	Trey Weary	2/0	XXX	
28	Patrick Wilk	3/0	XXX		84	Kaleb Webb	7/0	XXX	
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	2/0	XXX		85	Nathan Leacock	5/0	XXX	
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	2/0	...		86	Cole Harrison	2/0	XXX	
29	Jordan Ross	11/0	XXX		87	Joshua Helsdon	4/0	XXX	
30	Tommy Winton III	12/0	XXX		87	Miles Kitselman	13/13	START	S
30	Jamal Wallace	3/0	XXX		START indicates started				
31	Jackson Locke	2/0	...		XXX indicates played				
31	Caleb Herring	12/0	XXX		... indicates did not play				
33	Ben Bolton	10/0	...						
35	Will Brooks	13/13	START	S					
36	Nathan Roberts	1/0	...						
37	Montrell Bandy	12/0	XXX						
38	Andre Stewart	0/0	...						
39	Jalen Smith	12/0	XXX						

TENNESSEE OVERTIME RECORDS

TENNESSEE OVERTIME GAMES & RESULTS (15-9)

Date	Opponent	OTs	1st Poss.	Game-Winning Score	Final Score
Sept. 19, 1998	Florida	1	Offense	Jeff Hall 41 field goal	W, 20-17
Sept. 30, 2000	at LSU	1	Defense*	Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey (John Corbello kick)	L, 31-38
Oct. 5, 2002	Arkansas	6	Offense	Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 41-38
Sept. 27, 2003	South Carolina	1	Defense*	James Banks 4 pass from Casey Clausen+	W, 23-20
Oct. 25, 2003	at Alabama	5	Offense	Casey Clausen 1 run (James Banks pass from Casey Clausen)	W, 51-43
Sept. 26, 2005	at LSU	1	Defense*	Gerald Riggs, Jr. 1 run+	W, 30-27
Oct. 27, 2007	South Carolina	1	Offense	Daniel Lincoln 27 field goal	W, 27-24
Nov. 24, 2007	at Kentucky	4	Defense*	Quintin Hancock 40 pass from Erik Ainge (Austin Rogers pass from Ainge)	W, 52-50
Sept. 1, 2008	at UCLA	1	Defense*	Kai Forbath 42 field goal	L, 24-27
Nov. 28, 2009	at Kentucky	1	Defense*	Montario Hardesty 20 run+	W, 30-24
Sept. 25, 2010	UAB	2	Offense	Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms+	W, 32-29
Dec. 30, 2010	vs. North Carolina#	2	Defense*	Casey Barth 23 field goal+	L, 27-30
Nov. 19, 2011	Vanderbilt	1	Defense*	Eric Gordon 90 INT return+	W, 27-21
Nov. 10, 2012	Missouri	4	Defense*	Andrew Baggett 35 field goal+	L, 48-51
Oct. 5, 2013	Georgia	1	Offense	Marshall Morgan 42 field goal+	L, 31-34
Nov. 1, 2014	at South Carolina	1	Offense	Aaron Medley 32 field goal	W, 45-42
Sept. 12, 2015	Oklahoma	2	Offense	Sterling Shepard 18 pass from Baker Mayfield (Austin Seibert kick)	L, 24-31
Sept. 1, 2016	Appalachian State	1	Offense	Joshua Dobbs rush for 1 yard to the APP1, fumble forced by Kennan Gilchrist, fumble by Dobbs recovered by UT's Jalen Hurd in the end zone (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 20-13
Oct. 8, 2016	at Texas A&M	2	Offense	Trevor Knight 1 run (Daniel LaCamera kick)	L, 38-45
Sept. 4, 2017	vs. Georgia Tech^	2	Defense*	John Kelly 2 run (Aaron Medley kick)	W, 42-41
Sept. 7, 2019	BYU	2	Defense*	Ty'Son Williams 5 run+	L, 29-26
Dec. 30, 2021	vs. Purdue#	1	Offense	Mitchell Fineran 39 field goal+	L, 45-48
Sept. 10, 2022	at Pittsburgh	1	Offense	Cedric Tillman 28 pass from Hendon Hooker	W, 34-27
Oct. 12, 2024	Florida	1	Defense*	Dylan Sampson 1 run+	W, 23-17

*Won coin toss +Game-ending play #Bowl game ^Neutral site regular season game

OVERTIME TEAM RECORDS

Record in OT: 15-9

Most OT Periods: 6 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002

Longest Game (Elapsed Time): 4:43 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007; at Texas A&M, Oct. 8, 2016

Points: 31 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

Opponent Points: 23 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012

Points, Both Teams: 54 (UT 31, Alabama 23), Oct. 25, 2003

Fewest Points: 0 at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000; at UCLA, Sept. 1, 2008

Fewest Points, Both Teams: 3 (Five Times) Most Recent: (Purdue 3, UT 0), Dec. 30, 2021

Touchdowns: 4 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003

Total Offense Plays: 21 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (105 yards)

Total Offense Yards: 105 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (21 plays)

Rushing Attempts: 13 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (40 yards)

Rushing Yards: 40 at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (13 attempts)

Pass Attempts: 16 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (9 completions, 72 yards, 2 touchdowns)

Pass Completions: 9 vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (for 72 yards)

Passing Yards: 77 at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9)

Field Goals Attempted: 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

Field Goals Made: 2 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

Longest Drive, Plays: 9 vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (24 yards, TO on Downs)

Shortest Drive, Plays: 1 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Jason Witten 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (25 yards, Tony Brown 25 pass from Casey Clausen); at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (25 yards, James Banks 25 pass from Casey Clausen); vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (25 yards, Denarius Moore 25 pass from Matt Simms)

Shortest Drive, Yards: minus-7 vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (1 play, Derrick Tinsley rush and fumble lost)

Opponent Longest Drive, Plays: 8, Pitt, Sept. 10, 2022 (5 yards, Turnover on Downs)

Opponent Shortest Drive, Plays: 1, LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (25 yards, Robert Royal 25 pass from Rohan Davey)

Opponent Shortest Drive, Yards: minus-15, at South Carolina, Nov. 1, 2014 (4 plays, Elliott Fry missed 58-yard field goal attempt)

OVERTIME INDIVIDUAL RECORDS

Points: 14, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (2 TDs, 1 PAT)

Touchdowns: 2, James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003; John Kelly vs. Georgia Tech, Sept. 4, 2017

Rushing Attempts: 6, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (23 yards)

Rushing Yards: 23, Jaylen Wright vs. Purdue, Dec. 30, 2021 (6 attempts); Jabari Davis vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (5 attempts)

Longest Rushing Play: 20, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

Longest Rushing Touchdown: 20 yards, Montario Hardesty at Kentucky, Nov. 28, 2009

Passing Attempts: 15, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8 completions)

Passing Completions: 8, Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (15 attempts)

Passing Yards: 77, Erik Ainge at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (6-of-9); Tyler Bray vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (8-of-15)

Longest Pass Completion: 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock (TD) at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

Longest Passing Touchdown: 40, Erik Ainge to Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1st-and-10 from the 40-yard line)

Receptions: 2, Cedrick Wilson at LSU, Sept. 30, 2000 (16 yards); James Banks at Alabama, Oct. 25, 2003 (30 yards); Gerald Jones at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (20 yards); Denarius Moore vs. UAB, Sept. 25, 2010 (31 yards); Cordarrelle Patterson vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (31 yards); Rajion Neal vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (12 yards); Zach Rogers vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (10 yards); Marlin Lane vs. Missouri, Nov. 10, 2012 (6 yards)

Receiving Yards: 40, Quintin Hancock at Kentucky, Nov. 24, 2007 (1 reception)

Field Goals Attempted: 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 made)

Field Goals Made: 2, Philip Newman vs. Arkansas, Oct. 5, 2002 (2 attempts)

Longest Field Goal Made: 41, Jeff Hall vs. Florida, Sept. 19, 1998

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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Watch List
- Manning Award Stars of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/2)
- 2024 All-Sun Belt Honorable Mention
- 2023 Cure Bowl MVP
- 2023 Sun Belt Newcomer of the Year
- 2023 All-Sun Belt Second Team

CAREER

- Veteran graduate transfer quarterback who was named Tennessee's starter on Aug. 17 after winning a QB battle between redshirt freshman Jake Merklinger and true freshman George MacIntyre
- In his fifth season of college football after transferring from UCLA and a record-breaking two years at Appalachian State
- Spent the spring at UCLA before enrolling at Tennessee in June 2025, arrived in Knoxville in May
- Originally began his career at City College of San Francisco and then transferred to Diablo Valley Community College in Pleasant Hill, California
- Shattered six single-season records at App State
- Compiled 7,493 yards of total offense at the FBS level
- In 25 FBS games, completed 527-of-878 passes (60.0 percent) for 7,007 yards and 59 touchdowns with 24 interceptions
- Has rushed for 486 yards on 146 attempts with five rushing scores
- Thrown for over 200 yards in all 25 starts of his career with six 300-yard games and one 400-yard game
- In two years at App State, produced 22 TD passes to either tie the game or give his team the lead
- Ranks fifth in career touchdown passes (56) and fifth in passing yards (6,760) at App State
- FBS active career leader in total offense per game (288.2, minimum 2,500 yards) and is second in passing yards per game (269.5, minimum 5,000 yards)
- Played in 26 FBS games with 25 starts (14-11 record)

2025

- Impressed in his Tennessee debut, leading the Vols to 493 yards of total offense in a 45-26 victory over Syracuse (8/30) in the Aflac Kickoff Game
- Was 16-28 for 247 yards and three touchdowns through the air against the Orange, including a 73-yard deep ball for a score to Brayton Staley early in the second quarter, marking the third longest completion of his career and the longest completion by an SEC player in Week 1
- Added 34 yards on six carries to finish with 281 yards of total offense for the game

2024

- An All-Sun Belt honorable mention selection in his second straight year as the starting quarterback
- Started all 11 games for the Mountaineers
- Finished with 3,003 passing yards and 23 touchdowns on 390 attempts, with an average of 273.0 passing yards per game
- Rushed for 207 yards on 59 attempts with two scores
- Had a career-high 424 yards on 32 completions against ECU (9/14), while also throwing two touchdown passes. Finished that contest against the Pirates with 452 yards of total offense
- Tied his career high of four touchdown passes in a game against Old Dominion and was 13-of-24 for 212 yards through the air (11/2)
- Notched 300-yard total offense games against ETSU (345 on 8/31), ECU (452 on 9/14), Marshall (348 on 10/5), Georgia State (307 on 10/26) and Georgia Southern (304 on 11/30)
- Logged a career-long 83-yard touchdown pass against ETSU (8/31).

NOTABLE

- Earned his undergraduate degree in communication studies from App State in May 2025
- Did not play football for two years following his high school career after redshirting at City College of San Francisco in 2019 and having his 2020 season canceled because of COVID
- During COVID, nearly quit football to begin training to become a firefighter
- Did not start playing quarterback until his freshman year of high school
- In final two prep seasons at Freedom High School, threw for 5,575 yards with 59 touchdowns and 14 interceptions
- At age 24, is one of the oldest players on the team ... born on June 16, 2001
- Parents are Jose and Lydia Aguilar
- Twitter: @Joey16_ | IG: @joeyaguilar_4

CAREER FBS HIGHS

Completions	32 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Attempts	47 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Comp. Pct (Min. 10 Att.)	84.6 vs. Gardner-Webb, 9/2/23*
Passing Yards	424 at East Carolina, 9/14/24*
Passing Touchdowns	4 (4x), last vs. Old Dominion, 11/2/24*
Long Pass	83 vs. ETSU, 8/31/24*
Interceptions	4 at Louisiana, 10/12/24*
Rushing Attempts	10 (3x), last at Marshall, 10/5/24*
Rushing Yards	61 vs. Old Dominion, 11/2/24*
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. ETSU, 8/31/24*
Long Rush	49 at Coastal Carolina, 11/7/24*

* at App State

CAREER FBS STATS

Passing	GP/GS	Comp	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2023*	14/13	293	460	63.7	33	10	3757	268.4	77-GSU	391-USM
2024*	11/11	218	390	55.9	23	14	3003	273.0	83-ETSU	424-ECU
2025	1/1	16	28	57.1	3	0	247	247.0	73-SU	247-SU
at APP	25/24	511	850	60.1	56	24	6760	270.4	83-ETSU	424-ECU
at UT	1/1	16	28	57.1	3	0	247	247.0	73-SU	247-SU
Career	26/25	527	878	60.0	59	24	7007	269.5	83-ETSU	424-ECU

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023*	14/14	81	249	3.1	17.8	3	25-ULM	49-ULM
2024*	11/11	59	207	3.5	18.8	2	49-CCU	61-ODU
2025	1/1	6	34	5.7	34.0	0	25-SU	34-SU
at APP	25/24	140	456	3.3	18.2	5	49-CCU	61-ODU
at UT	1/1	6	34	5.7	34.0	0	25-SU	34-SU
Career	26/25	146	490	3.4	18.8	5	49-CCU	61-ODU

* at App State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
*vs. Syracuse	16	28	3	0	57.1	247	73	6	34	0	25

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
*ETSU	22	36	2	0	61.1	326	83	5	19	2	7
*at Clemson	18	41	1	0	43.9	214	29	2	-3	0	4
*at ECU	32	47	2	2	68.1	424	49	8	28	0	10
*South Ala.	21	40	1	1	52.5	266	49	2	-11	0	2
*at Marshall	26	44	2	2	59.1	293	27	10	55	0	28
*at Louisiana	20	42	3	4	47.6	236	26	5	2	0	10
*Georgia St.	18	27	3	0	66.7	299	50	2	8	0	6
*ODU	13	24	4	1	54.2	212	46	7	61	0	19
*at Coastal	17	31	1	2	54.8	226	39	10	30	0	49
*JMU	12	23	2	0	52.2	217	64	5	4	0	19
*at Ga. Southern	19	35	2	2	54.3	290	40	3	14	0	9

2023 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Gardner-Webb	11	13	4	0	84.6	174	43	3	8	0	12
*at UNC	22	43	2	1	51.2	275	34	6	42	0	13
*ECU	17	29	3	1	58.6	241	35	6	13	1	8
*at Wyoming	22	40	0	1	55.0	200	23	6	20	0	9
*at ULM	27	39	3	2	69.2	335	52	7	49	0	25
*Coastal	18	31	2	0	58.1	305	69	3	6	0	3
*at ODU	22	31	2	0	71.0	252	28	8	18	1	16
*So. Miss	23	33	4	1	69.7	391	57	9	43	0	24
*Marshall	20	27	3	0	74.1	229	29	10	44	0	15
*at Georgia St.	14	21	3	1	66.7	255	77	5	20	0	10
*at JMU	28	46	3	1	60.9	318	39	3	0	0	4
*Ga. Southern	23	36	4	1	63.9	296	41	4	11	0	14
*at Troy	28	39	0	0	71.8	275	40	6	-39	0	6
*vs. Miami (OH)	18	32	0	1	56.3	211	52	5	14	1	16

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- Experienced pass rusher who is in his sixth and final year with the program
- One of the leaders of the defensive line room and was tabbed as the MVP of this year's fall camp by DL coach Rodney Garner
- Sees most time at strongside defensive end but has showcased his versatility by sliding in to play defensive tackle at times, as well
- Has racked up 52 total tackles, five TFLs, 2.5 sacks, five QB hurries, three fumble recoveries and one forced fumble is his career with the Vols
- Played in 43 career games with 13 starts

2025

- Started at DE and finished with two tackles in season-opening victory over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Finished the year with career highs in tackles (25), TFLs (5.0), sacks (2.0), QB hurries (4), forced fumbles (1) and fumble recoveries (2)
- Had a TFL and a quarterback hurry in CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Recovered a second-quarter fumble that led to a UT touchdown in win over UTEP (11/23)
- Tied a career high in tackles (4) for the second straight game in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Had the most productive game of his career, setting or tying career highs in tackles (4), TFLs (1.5), sacks (1.0) and QB hurries (2) in win over #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played 48 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with a pair of tackles and a QB hurry
- Posted three tackles, a sack, a forced fumble and fumble recovery in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Set up a UT field goal with his third-quarter strip sack of Wolfpack QB Grayson McCall that he also recovered
- Started the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with three tackles

NOTABLE

- Graduated with his bachelor's degree in communication studies in Dec. 2024
- Goes by "Dom"
- Favorite musical artist is NBA YoungBoy
- Favorite food is chicken alfredo
- Favorite sport other than football is basketball
- X: @DominicBailey56 | IG: dominic.bailey_

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Sacks	1.0 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
QB Hurries	2 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Tennessee Tech, 9/18/21
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 (3x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	--
2021	2/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-TTU
2022	13/0	3	8	11	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	3-2x
2023	13/2	7	6	13	0.5-4	0.5-4	0	1	0	0	3-IOWA
2024	13/10	10	15	25	2-15	3.5-17	1	2	4	0	4-2x
2025	1/1	1	1	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-SU
Career	43/13	21	31	52	2.5-19	5-24	1	3	5	1	4-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-1-2

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-1-3
*vs. NC State	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff, 1 fr
*Kent State	1-0-1
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2, 1 qbh
*at Arkansas	0-2-2
Florida	0-2-2
Alabama	2-2-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 2 qbh
Kentucky	2-2-4
*Mississippi State	0-1-1
*at Georgia	0-1-1
*UTEP	0-0-0, 1 fr
*at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
*at Ohio State	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 qbh

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	1-0-1
at Florida	0-2-2
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	1-1-2, 0.5 s, 0.5 tfl
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	1-0-1
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
*vs. Iowa	3-0-3, 1 fr

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-0-0
at Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Akron	0-1-1
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-3-3
Alabama	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
UT Martin	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	2-1-3
Missouri	0-1-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	DNP
Pitt	DNP
Tennessee Tech	0-1-1, 1 pd
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	0-0-0
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Florida	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER

- Versatile, in-state defensive back who can play multiple positions in the secondary
- Transformed his body during the offseason following his freshman year and will be in the mix for extensive playing time in 2025
- Played extensively on special teams as a true freshman in 2024, seeing action in all 13 games and making four tackles
- Played in 14 career games

2025

- Saw extensive action at safety in UT's season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), finishing with one tackle in 42 defensive snaps

2024

- Appeared in all 13 games, primarily as a special teams contributor, and finished with four tackles and one pass breakup
- Logged one tackle in regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Posted a season-high two tackles in win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Made his first career tackle against Kent State, a solo stop, while playing a season-high 41 snaps
- Saw 27 defensive snaps of action in his collegiate debut against Chattanooga and registered one pass breakup (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Was rated as the No. 1 prep player in the state of Tennessee by On3 in the 2024 signing class
- Was coached by former NFL Pro Bowlers Trent Dilfer and Kevin Mawae during his prep career at Lipscomb Academy in Nashville
- Was a multi-sport standout in high school who also starred on the hardwood, earning all-region honors in basketball after averaging more than 19 points per game as a junior
- Named Defensive Player of the Year by The Tennessean in 2022 after a stellar junior campaign where he totaled 30 tackles, 27 pass breakups, nine interceptions and six defensive touchdowns
- Led the Mustangs to a 13-0 record and second consecutive state title his junior season and was selected as Div. II-AA Mr. Football Award Finalist and MaxPreps All-American
- Favorite movie is the Sandlot
- Likes to play golf in his free time
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	2 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

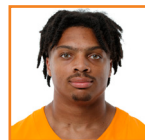
CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	2-UK
2025	1/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	14/0	3	2	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	0	2-UK

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0, 1 pd
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	1-0-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-2
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
at Ohio State	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Doak Walker Award Watch List
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Explosive, playmaking running back who produced one of the most prolific careers in Tennessee high school history for nearby Karns High School
- Expected to step into a much larger role for the Vols this season as the team's leading returning rusher
- A valuable part of UT's running back rotation last season after a strong spring and preseason camp
- Did not see action and redshirted as a true freshman as sustaining an injury during preseason camp
- Has three years of eligibility remaining
- Played in 11 career games with one start

2025

- Made his first-career start in season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30) and showcased his well-rounded game with 126 yards from scrimmage
- Had 11 carries for 82 yards (7.5 avg) and a touchdown while also hauling in a career-best two receptions for 44 yards against the Orange

2024

- Was the Vols' second-leading rusher on the year with 74 carries for 455 yards and three touchdowns, averaging 6.1 yards per attempt, which was third in the SEC
- Totted the ball seven times for 22 yards in CFP First Round contest at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- After missing three straight games due to injury, returned to action in regular-season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30) and was extremely productive in the win, finishing with 13 carries for 61 yards
- Posted a career-high 16 carries and finished with 65 rushing yards in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/31)
- Continued his impressive start to the year with a game and career-high 120 rushing yards and two TDs on just seven carries in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Averaged 17.1 yards per attempt against the Golden Flashes had TD runs of 53 and 47 yards on consecutive carries in the first half
- Shined in his collegiate debut, finishing with 60 rushing yards and a touchdown on just five carries, averaging 12.0 yards per attempt, while also adding one catch for 10 yards in season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)
- Had two carries of 20-plus yards against the Mocs, including a 22-yarder in the third quarter for his first-career touchdown

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Signed with Tennessee as a preferred walk-on in Dec. 2022 and was put on scholarship in spring 2025
- Racked up 8,347 rushing yards and 102 rushing touchdowns over the course of his high school career, ranking second and third all-time in Tennessee high school football history, respectively, according to the TSSAA online record book
- Back-to-back Tennessee Titans 5A Mr. Football Award winner after compiling more than 6,000 all-purpose yards between his junior and senior seasons
- Exploded as a junior in 2021, carrying the ball 441 times for 3,179 yards and 34 touchdowns, finishing less than 200 yards shy of the state record and second in state history
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	16 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Rushing Yards	120 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receptions	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Receiving Yards	44 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Reception	23 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								DNP - Redshirted
2024	10/0	74	455	6.1	45.5	3	53-KSU	120-KSU
2025	1/1	11	82	7.5	82.0	1	47-SU	82-SU
Career	11/1	85	537	6.3	48.8	4	53-KSU	120-KSU

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023								
2024	10/0	1	10	10.0	1.0	0	10-UTC	10-UTC
2025	1/1	2	44	22.0	44.0	0	23-SU	44-SU
Career	11/1	3	54	18.0	4.9	0	23-SU	44-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	11-82-1, 47	2-44-0, 23

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	5-60-1, 24	1-10-0, 10
vs. NC State	10-42-0, 15	0-0-0
Kent State	7-120-2, 53	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	16-65-0, 17	0-0-0
at Arkansas	3-19-0, 13	0-0-0
Florida	7-24-0, 6	0-0-0
Alabama	5-36-0, 15	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-6-0, 6	0-0-0
Mississippi State	DNP - Injury	
at Georgia	DNP - Injury	
UTEP	DNP - Injury	
at Vanderbilt	13-61-0, 11	0-0-0
at Ohio State	7-22-0, 8	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Hard-nosed walk-on linebacker from West Tennessee who is in his fourth season with the program
- Has been a major contributor on special teams throughout his time at UT
- After an impressive preseason camp, has earned a role in the linebacker rotation this season
- A two-time Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient
- Played in 27 games

2025

- Saw the most extensive playing time of his career in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), tying a career-high with three tackles while playing 26 defensive snaps at linebacker

2024

- Saw action in 10 games as a reserve linebacker and special teams contributor
- Totaled five tackles on the year
- Tied a season-high with two tackles against #8 Ohio State in the CFP First Round (12/21)
- Recorded a tackle at Vanderbilt in the regular-season finale (11/30)
- Posted two tackles against UTEP (11/23)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in management
- A two-way player in high school who played ball at Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- His father played baseball for Tennessee Wesleyan and grandfather played football for Middle Tennessee
- Enjoys the outdoors, fishing, being on the lake, tubing, and wake boarding
- Favorite movie is Interstellar
- Favorite artist is Zach Bryan
- Lived in Peru
- Received 10 Division 1 offers coming out of high school but chose to walk on at Tennessee
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	3 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
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CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2022	4/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-VU
2023	13/0	1	3	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-UTSA
2024	10/0	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-OSU
2025	1/0	1	2	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-SU
Career	28/0	4	9	13	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	3-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-2-3

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	DNP
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	DNP
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
at Ohio State	0-2-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-2-3
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Iowa	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Akron	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Clemson	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Fourth-year, in-state long snapper from West Tennessee
- Stepped into the role of UT's starting long snapper in 2025, taking over for Matthew Salansky, who was in the role from 2020-24
- Played in eight career games and executed every snap he's made

2025

- Executed all 11 snaps (6 PAT, 1 FG, 4 punt) cleanly in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in four games and handled long snapping duties for two punts, four field goals and nine PATs during his third season on Rocky Top
- Played in all four regular season non-conference wins over Chattanooga (8/31), NC State (9/7), Kent State (9/14) and UTEP (11/23)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Learned how to snap from Pro Bowler and Tennessee Titan long snapper Morgan Cox, who taught him and his brother ... Cox attended same high school (Evangelical Christian in Memphis)

- Has been working with Morgan Cox for over nine years now
- Member of the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
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CAREER STATS

Games Played: 2025: 1; 2024: 4; 2023: 3; 2022: 0
Career: 8



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Last name pronounced BRAZ-ull

CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Watch List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2023 CFN Freshman All-American (HM)
- 2023 All-AAC Third Team

CAREER

- Explosive and lengthy wide receiver who transferred to UT after playing two seasons at Tulane where he was the team's leading receiver in his final year
- Is UT's leading returning wideout from last season
- Has two seasons of remaining eligibility, including the 2025 campaign
- Played in 15 games at Tulane, recording 45 receptions for 722 yards and five touchdowns, while averaging 16.0 yards per catch
- Owns eight 30+ yard catches and two 100-yard receiving games in his career
- Played in 29 career games (15 at Tulane, 14 at UT) with 18 starts (8 at Tulane, 10 at UT)

2025

- Started and led UT in catches with five for 62 yards in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games and made nine starts, finishing third on the team with 29 receptions and fourth on the team with 333 receiving yards to go along with two TD catches
- Started at WR and tied a season-high with five receptions for 54 yards in win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Hauled in two receptions for 27 yards, including the game-winning diving touchdown grab on a 16-yard pass in the corner of the end zone with 5:52 remaining in the fourth quarter against #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Got the start and was second on the team with three catches for 49 yards in win over Florida (10/12)
- Made a pair of first down catches for 21 yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Hauled in two catches for 63 yards in win over Kent State (9/14), including a career-long 53-yarder in the first quarter for his first touchdown as a Vol
- Was productive in his Tennessee debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), tallying five receptions for 59 yards on eight targets

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sociology
- Teams up with his brother, Colin, who plays defensive back and joined the Vols in the summer of 2024
- Father, Chris, played at Blinn College and Angelo State before being selected in the sixth round (pick No. 174) of the 1998 NFL Draft by the New York Jets. He played on the Jets' practice squad and then spent two seasons with the Dallas Cowboys (1999-2000) before playing seven seasons in the CFL with four different franchises
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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	7 at FAU, 11/18/23
Receiving Yards	103 (2x), last at FAU, 11/18/23
Receiving Touchdowns	2 vs. UTSA, 11/24/23
Long Reception	53 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	2/0	1	11	11.0	5.5	0	11-ALC	11-ALC
*2023	13/8	44	711	16.2	54.7	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
2024	13/9	29	333	11.5	25.6	2	53-KSU	63-KSU
2025	1/1	5	62	12.4	62.0	0	18-SU	62-SU
at TU	15/8	45	722	16.0	48.1	5	47-UTSA	103-2x
at UT	14/10	34	395	11.6	28.2	2	53-KSU	63-KSU
Career	29/18	79	1117	14.1	38.5	7	53-KSU	103-2x

* at Tulane

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	5-62-0, 18

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	5-59-0, 23

*vs. NC State	3-18-0, 12
Kent State	2-63-1, 53
*at Oklahoma	1-0-0, 0
at Arkansas	2-21-0, 15
*Florida	3-49-0, 23
*Alabama	2-27-1, 16
*Kentucky	2-11-0, 7
*Mississippi State	2-17-0, 11
*at Georgia	1-6-0, 6
UTEP	0-0-0
*at Vanderbilt	5-54-0, 21
at Ohio State	1-8-0, 8

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
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*South Alabama	4-53-1, 33
*Ole Miss	0-0-0
*at Southern Miss	3-35-1, 17
*Nicholls	4-42-0, 13
*UAB	2-49-0, 39
at Memphis	3-103-0, 38
North Texas	2-50-0, 28
at Rice	5-75-0, 24
at East Carolina	3-26-0, 12
*Tulsa	3-41-0, 26
*at FAU	7-103-1, 38
*UTSA	5-93-2, 47
*SMU	3-41-0, 22
v. Virginia Tech	DNP

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
UMass	0-0-0
Alcorn State	1-11-0, 11

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic and physical linebacker who redshirted during his true freshman season
- Expected to be a contributor this fall after a solid spring and preseason camp
- Named to the 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in two games

2025

- Saw extensive action on special teams and finished with one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Redshirted as a true freshman after seeing action in one game
- Finished the year with one tackle and half a sack
- Made his collegiate debut in win over UTEP (11/23), finishing with one tackle and half a sack

NOTABLE

- Majoring in university exploratory
- Has six siblings - one brother and five sisters

- Was a two-way standout at Pace Academy in Atlanta
- Rated a four-star prospect by ESPN and Rivals
- Had offers from 25 Division I schools, including nine SEC programs
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	1 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles for Loss	0.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Sacks	0.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	1/0	0	1	1	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	1-UTEP
2025	1/0	0	1	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	2/0	0	2	2	0.5-3	0.5-3	0	0	0	0	1-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-1-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
UTEP	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s



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First name pronounced air-EE-on

CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Butkus Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2025 SEC Football Leadership Council
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented, physical in-state linebacker who had a breakout sophomore season and is expected to be one of the team's defensive leaders in 2025
- Tennessee's leading tackler in 2024 with 68 total tackles to go along with 6.5 TFLs and six PBUs
- Totaled 94 tackles, 8.5 TFLs, one sack, seven PBUs and one interception in his career
- Voted to the 2025 SEC Football Leadership Council by his peers and is a two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and member of the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
- Played in 22 career games and made 14 starts

2025

- Started and led the Vols with nine tackles in season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30), recording his first-career sack in the game, as well

2024

- Started all 13 games at WLB and led the team with 68 total tackles to go along with 6.5 TFLs, six PBUs, one interception and three QB hurries
- Posted three tackles and a PBU at #6 Ohio State in CFP First Round game (12/21)
- Led the team with seven tackles, including half a TFL, and added a pass breakup in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Had a team-high seven tackles, including 1.5 TFLs and a pass breakup in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Led the team with a career-high 10 tackles and added a QB hurry in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Totaled six tackles and a QB hurry is win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Finished with four tackles, half a TFL and had a key interception in the third quarter vs. Florida (10/12) that he returned 15 yards to set up a field goal that tied the game. The INT was the first of his career
- Posted eight tackles and tied career bests with 1.5 TFLs and one pass breakup at Arkansas (10/5)
- Led a dominant defensive effort in win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) with a team-leading six tackles, including a TFL and a pass breakup

- Flashed in win over #24 NC State (9/7), making three tackles while setting or tying career highs in TFLs (1.5), QB hurries (1) and pass breakups (1)
- Made his first-career start in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with three tackles while playing 22 defensive snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in public health
- Was one of UT's three player representatives at 2025 SEC Media Days in Atlanta
- Two-way standout at Smyrna High School just outside of Nashville where he also played running back and racked up 3,302 all-purpose yards in 30 games played at the varsity level
- A consensus four-star prospect rated as high as No. 2 in the state of Tennessee by On3 and Rivals
- Tabbed a top-10 linebacker in the country by Rivals (No. 8) and ESPN (No. 5)
- Participated in the 2023 All-American Bowl at the Alamodome in San Antonio in January 2023
- Also lettered in basketball and track & field in high school, qualifying for the state meet in the 300-meter hurdles
- Held offers from over 40 other Division I programs, including 10 SEC schools
- X: @ArionCarter | IG: @arioncarter_

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	10 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Passes Defended	1 (8x), last at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Interceptions	1 vs. Florida, 10/12/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	8/0	8	9	17	0-0	1-4	0	0	1	0	4-UVA
2024	13/13	29	39	68	0-0	6.5-9	0	0	7	1	10-UK
2025	1/1	3	6	9	1-10	1-10	0	0	0	0	9-SU
Career	22/14	40	54	94	1-10	8.5-23	0	0	8	1	10-UK

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-6-9, 1 tfl, 1 s

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
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*Chattanooga	0-3-3
*vs. NC State	2-1-3, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Kent State	0-3-3
*at Oklahoma	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 pd
*at Arkansas	2-6-8, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*Florida	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int
*Alabama	3-3-6, 1 qbh
*Kentucky	5-5-10, 1 qbh
*Mississippi State	3-4-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 pd
*at Georgia	2-2-4
*UTEP	3-1-4
*at Vanderbilt	3-4-7, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
*at Ohio State	2-1-3, 1 pd

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
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vs. Virginia	2-2-4
Austin Peay	1-0-1
at Florida	2-1-3
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 pd
South Carolina	1-2-3, 1 tfl
Texas A&M	1-1-2
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-2-2
UConn	DNP - Injury
at Missouri	DNP - Injury
Georgia	DNP - Injury
Vanderbilt	DNP - Injury
vs. Iowa	DNP - Injury

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CAREER

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches, Media)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Florida, 10/14/24)
- 2024 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-American

CAREER

- Dynamic athlete and two-way star who quickly made an impact on defense and special teams as a true freshman
- Earned the starting STAR position and shined, while becoming a dangerous weapon as a punt returner as a true freshman in 2024
- Saw action as a slot receiver as well during 2025 spring practices
- An early enrollee in January 2024 who participated in Citrus Bowl practices and spring practice
- Played in 14 career games and made five starts

2025

- Played 27 defensive snaps and made one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games and started the final five contests of the regular season at the STAR position in UT's secondary
- Was the first UT freshman to receive SEC All-Freshman honors as a return specialist since Shawn Summers in 1992 after leading the SEC in punt return average at 16.5 (12 for 198)
- Finished the year sixth on the team in tackles with 38, including 28 solo, while adding three TFLs, one sack, one interception and three QB hurries
- Led the team with six tackles, including half a TFL, and returned three punts for 61 yards, including a career-long 38-yard return to set up a Vols' touchdown in the third quarter in win over UTEP (11/23). Also had an 18-yard return in the first quarter that led to a touchdown
- Started at STAR and played 40 defensive snaps at Georgia (11/16), making three tackles and also returning a punt for 26 yards to set up a first quarter field goal for the Vols
- Started at STAR and put together one of his best games of the season in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), posting a pair of tackles and one TFL as well as his first-career interception
- Was also dynamic as a punt returner against the Bulldogs with six returns for 56 yards, including returns of 28 and 23 yards to help set UT up with great field position
- Earned his first-career start (STAR) and made four tackles in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Played a season-high 45 snaps and finished with three solo tackles in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had one of his most productive games of the year, posting career highs in tackles (7), TFLs (1.5) and sacks (1.0) to go along with one QB hurry in a win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Showcased his playmaking ability in the return game with two punt returns of 20-plus yards in win vs. Kent State (9/14), including a 35-yard return in the second quarter
- Flashed in his collegiate debut, playing 30 defensive snaps and making two tackles while leading all players with two QB hurries in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Full name is Orlando Boo Carter
- Majoring in communication studies
- Models his game after Tyrann Mathieu
- A consensus four-star prospect and top-300 player nationally according to all major recruiting services, ranking as high as No. 39 by Rivals

- Was named the 2023 Tennessee Titans Class 6A Mr. Football Award winner after a phenomenal senior campaign that saw him finish with 1,795 all-purpose yards and 27 total touchdowns
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
QB Hurries	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Passes Defended	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Interceptions	1 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Punt Returns	6 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Punt Return Yards	61 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Long Punt Return	38 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/5	28	10	38	1-10	3-13	0	0	1	1	7-UF
2025	1/0	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	14/5	29	10	39	1-10	3-13	0	0	1	1	7-UF

Punt Returns	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	12	198	16.5	15.2	0	38-UTEP	61-UTEP
2025	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-
Career	12	198	16.5	15.2	0	38-UTEP	61-UTEP

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 2 qbh	0-0-0
vs. NC State	2-0-2	0-0-0
Kent State	0-1-1	2-55-0, 35
at Oklahoma	2-0-2	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2	0-0-0
Florida	2-5-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh	0-0-0
Alabama	3-0-3	0-0-0
*Kentucky	3-1-4	0-0-0
*Mississippi State	2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int	6-56-0, 28
*at Georgia	3-0-3	1-26-0, 26
*UTEP	5-1-6, 0.5 tfl	3-61-0, 38
*at Vanderbilt	1-0-1	0-0-0
at Ohio State	1-2-3	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2023 SEC First-Year Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic tight end with big-play potential who is part of the Vols' stellar rotation at tight end
- Earned SEC All-Freshman Team honors after seeing an increased role in 2024 and will look to play an even larger part in the offense in 2025 as one of just two returning tight ends with game experience
- Member of the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
- Enrolled at UT in Jan. 2023 and showed his big-play potential and physicality during the spring and fall
- Played in 16 career games

2025

- Showcased his improved blocking ability and physicality while playing 39 snaps at tight end in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Posted one reception for six yards in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Played a season high 26 snaps and finished with two catches for 19 yards and a TD in win over UTEP (11/23)
- Played 20 snaps in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) and for the fourth time this season, tied his career-high with two receptions which gained 12 yards

- Tied his career high with two catches for 10 yards in win over Florida (10/12)
- Saw action on 14 snaps and made one catch for eight yards in his SEC debut in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Played 23 snaps and made two catches for 14 yards in blowout win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Hauled in his first-career touchdown reception on a four-yard pass from Nico Iamaleava in the first quarter of UT's season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31) and finished with two catches for 20 yards on the day

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies with a minor in culinary arts
- Was one of the top tight end prospects in the nation coming out of Collins Hill HS in Georgia
- A four-star tight end prospect who was considered the No. 5 player at his position by Rivals, No. 6 by On3 and No. 7 by 247Sports
- Was a two-sport star in high school who was also a coveted recruit on the basketball court, garnering offers from numerous major D-I programs
- Holds the school record for points in a game with 43 against Mill Creek on Feb. 9, 2022 and is a two-time Georgia All-State selection in hoops
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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	2 (5x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Receiving Yards	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Receiving Touchdowns	1 (2x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Long Reception	19 vs. UConn, 11/4/23

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2023	3/0	2	33	16.5	11.0	0	19-CONN	33-CONN
2024	12/0	13	100	7.7	8.3	2	18-UTEP	20-UTC
2025	1/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-
Career	16/0	15	133	8.9	8.3	2	19-CONN	33-CONN

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	2-20-1, 16
vs. NC State	2-14-0, 10
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-8-0, 8
at Arkansas	DNP
Florida	2-10-0, 11
Alabama	2-12-0, 11
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	1-11-0, 11
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	2-19-1, 18
at Vanderbilt	1-6-0, 6
at Ohio State	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	DNP
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	2-33-0, 19
at Missouri	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
vs. Iowa	0-0-0

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- 2025 Allstate/AFCA Good Works Team Nominee
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)

CAREER

- A strong, disruptive in-state interior defensive lineman who has been a consistent force for UT on the interior defensive line
- Elected to return for his sixth and final season in 2025, in what will be his third straight year as a starter
- Consistently improved every season, totaling 75 tackles, including 37 solo, and 17.5 tackles for loss, 4.5 sacks, two pass breakups, 12 quarterback hurries and one fumble recovery
- Played in 49 career games with 22 starts

2025

- Started at DT and played 61 snaps while making one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- A leader at DT who started all 13 games for a defense that ranked among the best in the nation
- Finished the year with 25 total tackles and ranked third on the squad in tackles for loss with seven, including 1.5 sacks to go along with one PBU and five QB hurries
- Made a pair of tackles, including half a sack, in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Posted a TFL and a QB hurry in Senior Day win over UTEP (11/23)
- Had two solo stops, including a TFL at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had two tackles, including a nine-yard sack and two QB hurries in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Finished with three tackles, including a career-high tying two TFLs in win vs. Florida (10/12), including a key five-yard TFL in overtime
- Had two tackles, half a TFL and a QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5) before having to leave the game with an injury
- Played a season-high 36 snaps in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), finishing with one tackle and one QB hurry
- Tied a career high with four tackles, including one TFL in victory over #24 NC State (9/7)

NOTABLE

- Graduated with his bachelor's degree in communication studies in Dec. 2024
- Was one of UT's three player representatives at 2025 SEC Media Days in Atlanta
- One of the Vols' leaders in community service
- Came to Tennessee has a linebacker before bulking up and transitioning to defensive line
- Memphis native who was rated as a four-star prospect and the No. 16 ranked inside linebacker in the county by the 247 composite rankings
- Made his first-career start in the 2022 Capital One Orange Bowl victory over No. 7 Clemson
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 (4x), last vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (2x), last vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
QB Hurries	2 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Passes Defended	1 (2x), last vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 at Georgia, 11/5/22
Blocked Kicks	1 (FG) at Florida, 9/16/23

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2020	6/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-2x
2021	3/0	2	1	3	0-0	2-7	0	0	1	0	2-BG
2022	13/1	10	8	18	1.5-3	3.5-8	0	1	2	0	3-VU
2023	13/7	8	19	27	1.5-10	5-17	0	0	4	1	4-3x
2024	13/13	16	8	24	1.5-9	7-27	0	0	5	1	4-NCST
2025	1/1	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	49/22	37	38	75	4.5-22	17.5-59	0	1	12	2	4-4x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-0-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	2-0-2
*vs. NC State	2-2-4, 1 tfl
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	1-0-1, 1 qbh
*at Arkansas	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
*Florida	1-2-3, 2 tfl
*Alabama	2-0-2
*Kentucky	2-1-3
*Mississippi State	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 2 qbh
*at Georgia	2-0-2, 1 tfl
*UTEP	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*at Ohio State	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh, 1 blk (FG)
*UTSA	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*South Carolina	2-2-4
*Texas A&M	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
*at Alabama	1-2-3, 2 qbh
*at Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 tfl
*UConn	0-1-1, 1 pd
*at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Iowa	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	0-2-2
at Pitt	0-1-1
Akron	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Florida	1-0-1
at LSU	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
Alabama	1-0-1
UT Martin	2-0-2, 1 qbh
Kentucky	1-0-1
at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 fr
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-1-1
at Vanderbilt	2-1-3, 1 tfl
*vs. Clemson	1-1-2, 1 qbh

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Bowling Green	2-0-2, 2 tfl
Pitt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Tennessee Tech	DNP
at Florida	DNP
at Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Ole Miss	DNP
at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
South Alabama	DNP
Vanderbilt	0-1-1
vs. Purdue	DNP

2020 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at South Carolina	DNP
Missouri	DNP
at Georgia	DNP
Kentucky	0-1-1
Alabama	0-0-0
at Arkansas	DNP
at Auburn	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-1-1

Texas A&M

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Instinctive, hard-hitting safety that saw action in all 13 games as a true freshman in 2024 and is expected to compete for a starting role in the secondary this season
- Played extensively on multiple special teams units as a freshman on top of seeing time as a reserve safety
- Early enrollee in January 2023 who took part in UT's Citrus Bowl practices and 2024 spring practice
- Totaled 17 tackles, 12 solo, and one TFL
- Played in 14 career games with one start

2025

- Made his first-career start and finished with four solo tackles as well as two pass breakups in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played in all 13 games as a special teams contributor and reserve defensive back
- Logged 13 tackles, including eight solo and one tackle for loss
- Collected two tackles against UTEP (11/23)
- Played a season-high 27 snaps against Kent State (9/14) and finished with six total tackles
- Recorded a tackle for loss while playing safety late in the game vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and recorded three solo tackles

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Cousin, Jalil Farooq, is a wide receiver at Maryland
- Participated in the 2024 Under Armour All-America Game on Jan. 3 in Orlando
- Held offers from over 30 other Division I programs
- Favorite food is chicken and shrimp alfredo
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Tackles for Loss	1 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Passes Defended	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	8	5	13	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	6-KSU
2025	1/1	4	0	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	4-SU
Career	14/1	12	5	17	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	0	6-KSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-0-4, 2 pd

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	3-0-3
vs. NC State	1-0-1, 1tfl
Kent State	2-4-6
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-1-2
Mississippi State	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	2-0-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Lockdown cornerback who has emerged as one of the most steady and consistent defenders in the SEC
- Teams with Jermod McCoy to form one of the elite cornerback duos in the nation
- In his second straight year as a starter and his third with the program
- Made an immediate impact as a true freshman in 2023 before solidifying a starting role in 2024
- Arrived at Tennessee in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before going through spring practice 2023
- A two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll recipient and member of the team's leadership council
- Recorded 42 career tackles with three tackles for loss, six pass breakups and one forced fumble
- Played in 26 career games and made 14 starts

2025

- Started at corner and had one tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) but played just 19 snaps after leaving the game early due to injury

2024

- Delivered a breakout sophomore campaign in his first year as a starter at cornerback
- Started all 12 games he played in at corner
- Ranked third on the team in pass breakups with five to go along with 32 tackles, two tackles for loss and one forced fumble
- Made three tackles at #6 Ohio State (12/21) in CFP First Round game
- Had one of his best performances of the year in win vs. UTEP (11/23), making four tackles, including a 12-yard TFL, posting a career-high two PBUs and forcing a fumble in the second quarter that led to a UT touchdown
- Made four tackles and had a PBU at Georgia (11/16)
- Had a pair of tackles, including a TFL, in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Tied a career high with six tackles and also had a crucial pass breakup in the end zone on fourth down in win vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Posted a career-high six tackles and one pass breakup in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Did not allow a reception and was targeted just once in 69 snaps while also making two tackles during win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Made his season debut in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), getting the start at corner and making one tackle in 39 defensive snaps
- Did not play in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) due to injury

NOTABLE

- Majoring in supply chain management
- His father, Rickey Gibson Jr., played basketball at Stillman College (Ala.) and went on to have a nine-year professional career overseas
- Rated a four-star prospect by On3, Rivals and the 247Sports Composite rankings
- Slotted as the No. 17 cornerback in the country and a top-200 player overall (No. 172) by On3
- Held offers from over 30 Division I programs
- Donated \$5,000 of his NIL earnings back to his high school football team at Hewitt-Trussville in May 2025
- X: @RickeyGibson03 | IG: @rickeygibson

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Passes Defended	2 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

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CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/1	6	3	9	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	4-CONN
2024	12/12	25	7	32	0-0	2-15	1	0	5	0	6-2x
2025	1/1	1	0	1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-SU
Career	26/14	32	10	42	0-0	3-18	1	0	6	0	6-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	1-0-1

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	DNP - Injury
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0
*at Oklahoma	1-1-2
*at Arkansas	0-0-0
*Florida	5-1-6, 1 pd
*Alabama	2-1-3
*Kentucky	4-2-6, 1 pd
*Mississippi State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
*at Georgia	2-2-4, 1 pd
*UTEP	4-0-4, 1 tfl, 1 ff, 2 pd
*at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
*at Ohio State	3-0-3

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	0-0-0
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-1-1
UConn	3-1-4, 1 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0, 1 pd
Vanderbilt	2-1-3
*vs. Iowa	1-0-1

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Lou Groza Award "Stars of the Week" (vs. Mississippi State, 11/12/24)
- SEC Special Teams Player of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Strong-legged, in-state placekicker who starred for Lausanne Collegiate School in Memphis
- Earned a scholarship in 2025 and returns for his third year and second as the primary place kicker
- Redshirted as a true freshman in 2023 and won the starting kicker spot in the fall of 2024
- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices before beginning classes in January 2023
- Is 21-of-27 on field goals and 60-of-60 on PATs in his career
- Played in 14 career games

2025

- Was perfect in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), hitting a 34-yard field goal to cap UT's opening drive of the game while converting all six of his PATs

2024

- Earned the starting place kicker role and played in all 13 games
- Was 20-of-26 on field goals and a perfect 54-of-54 on PATs, racking up 114 total points, which ranked sixth in UT single-season history. That tally was also fourth among all players in the SEC in 2024

- His 20 makes tied for fifth in the SEC and tied for sixth in school single-season annals
- Ranked sixth nationally and second in the SEC among kickers in scoring per game (8.8 ppg)
- Was 3-of-6 from 50 or more yards with a long of 52 yards
- Accounted for five points in the CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), drilling a 36-yarder in frigid temperatures in the second quarter
- Totaled 10 points in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30) after converting on all four of his PATs and both field goal attempts, including a 50-yarder in the second quarter
- Drilled a career-long 52-yard field goal in the first quarter at #12 Georgia (11/16) to become just the seventh placekicker in UT history with multiple 50-plus yard field goals in a single season (first since Brent Cimaglia in 2019)
- Was the first UT kicker to make two 50-plus yard FGs in consecutive weeks since Fuad Reveiz did so in four straight games during the 1982 season
- Had an incredible bounce-back performance in win over Mississippi State (11/9), making a career-best four field goals and tying a career high with 15 total points
- Went 4-for-4 on FG attempts, including a then career-long 51-yarder in the third quarter against the Bulldogs
- Made his lone FG attempt and both PATs in win vs. Florida (10/12). His 35-yard FG in the third quarter tied the game at 10
- Connected on all three of his FG attempts and both PATs, including a long FG of 41 yards in his SEC debut on the road at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Posted 15 points for the second straight game after drilling a career-high nine PATs and both of his FG attempts from 36 and 21 yards in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Went 3-of-4 on field goal attempts, making his first three in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including a career-long 45-yarder on the last play of the first half. Also drilled all six of his PATs, giving him a total of 15 points on the night
- Was perfect in his collegiate debut, totaling 13 points after drilling a pair of field goals from 36 yards and 42 yards and all seven of his PATs

NOTABLE

- Majoring in management
- Selected as this season's "cookie monster," continuing an NIL tradition established by VFL and current New Orleans Saints CB Alontae Taylor that provides fans in Knoxville free cookies from Moonshine Mountain Cookies any time he makes a 50-plus yard field goal
- Was rated by Kohl's Kicking as a five-star prospect and the No. 30 placekicker in the nation
- Was one of three finalists for the 2022 Tennessee Mr. Football High School Kicker of the Year
- Transitioned from soccer to football after former LSU All-American kicker Josh Jasper, who coached at his high school, emailed his mother to come join the team
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CAREER HIGHS

FG Made	4 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
FG Attempts	4 (2x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Longest Field Goal	52 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Longest Attempt	53 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
PATs	9 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Points	15 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

CAREER STATS

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Long
2023											DNP - Redshirted
2024	13	20	26	76.9	54-54	114	4-4	9-10	4-6	3-6	52-UGA
2025	1	1	1	100.0	6-6	9	0-0	1-1	0-0	0-0	34-SU
Career	14	21	27	77.8	60-60	123	4-4	10-11	4-6	3-6	52-UGA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Syracuse	1-1 (34G), 6-6, 9

2024 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Chattanooga	2-2 (36G, 42G), 7-7, 13
vs. NC State	3-4 (32G, 45G, 36G, 53M), 6-6, 15
NC State	2-2 (36G, 21G), 9-9, 15
at Oklahoma	3-3 (27G, 41G, 32G), 2-2, 11
at Arkansas	0-0, 2-2, 2
Florida	1-1 (35G), 2-2, 5
Alabama	1-3 (53M, 50M, 41G), 3-3, 7
Kentucky	0-3 (43M, 40M, 34M), 4-4, 4
Mississippi State	4-4 (24G, 38G, 51G, 38G), 3-3, 15
at Georgia	1-1 (52G), 2-2, 5
UTEP	0-0, 8-8, 8
at Vanderbilt	2-2 (50G, 22G), 4-4, 10
at Ohio State	1-1 (36G), 2-2, 5



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team

CAREER

- Physically impressive former five-star offensive tackle in his second year with the program after transferring to Tennessee following an SEC All-Freshman season at LSU in 2023
- Was the Vols' starting left tackle in 2024 and poised for a strong 2025
- Considered the second-highest rated offensive tackle prospect during the 2023 transfer portal cycle
- Signed with LSU as a member of the Class of 2023 before committing and signing with Tennessee in January 2024
- Seen action on 1,018 offensive snaps and allowed only two sacks in his career
- Played in 24 career games (12 at LSU, 12 at UT) and has made 13 starts (1 at LSU, 12 at UT)

2025

- Started and played all 68 offensive snaps at left tackle in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) without allowing a sack or a hit as UT piled up 493 yards of total offense and 246 rushing yards
- Was the Vols' highest-graded offensive lineman against the Orange with a 76.2 grade from PFF

2024

- Earned the starting left tackle spot in his first year on Rocky Top
- Started all 11 games he played in and missed two games due to injury
- Played 753 offensive snaps while allowing just two sacks and three quarterback hits on the year according to PFF
- Played all 73 snaps at LT as UT rolled up an SEC season-high 281 rushing yards and 538 yards of total offense in a road win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Played 41 snaps at LT and helped UT rush for 241 yards while compiling 460 yards of total offense in win vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Played all 72 snaps at #12 Georgia (11/16) and did not allow a sack or QB hit
- Did not allow a pressure in a stout performance in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), helping UT rush for 240 yards and pile up 452 yards of total offense
- Played all 82 offensive snaps at LT in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), helping the Vols post 477 yards of total offense
- Was in at LT on all 71 offensive plays and did not allow a sack in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played all 69 offensive snaps and allowed just one pressure in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Did not play in wins over Kent State (9/14) or Oklahoma (9/21) due to injury
- Started at LT and helped the Vols rush for 249 yards in blowout victory over #24 NC State (9/7), playing 63 offensive snaps

- Started at LT in Chattanooga opener (8/31) and did not allow a pressure in 45 offensive snaps as UT racked up 718 total yards of offense, which was tied for the second most in program history

NOTABLE

- Full name is Zalance Heard
- Majoring in communication studies
- Played in the Army All-American Game in December of 2022 and caught a touchdown pass
- Was ranked the No. 2 offensive tackle prospect in high school by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports, Rivals and ESPN in the class of 2023
- X: @lanceheard2 | IG: @lance_heard53

CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/1; 2024: 11/11; 2023: 12/1

Career: 24/13; LSU: 12/1; Tennessee: 12/12



JAEDON HARMON
LB • 6-0 • 215 • Fr.
Rome, Ga.

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CAREER

- Instinctive, intelligent linebacker out of Georgia who has a chance to be an immediate contributor for the Vols this season
- Enrolled in January 2025 and was a part of the team during the spring while rehabbing from injury
- Played in 1 career game

2025

- Played extensively on special teams and also logged 13 defensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), posting four tackles and a pass breakup in his collegiate debut

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- A consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services and a top 200 player in the country for the 2025 recruiting cycle according to On3 (No. 199) and ESPN (No. 141)
- Chose UT over 36 other Division I offers, including 32 Power Four programs and 12 SEC schools
- X: @JaedonHarmon10 | IG: @1.issue_

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Passes Defended	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2025	1/0	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	4-SU
Career	1/0	2	2	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	1	4-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	2-2-4, 1 pd



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Athletic edge rusher with exceptional burst who is in his third season with the program in 2025
- Saw an increased role in the defensive line rotation as a sophomore in 2024 and will look to be a key contributor off the edge in 2025
- Bulkied up this offseason and did an outstanding job developing his body after true freshman season

- Arrived on Rocky Top in Dec. 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and spring practice 2023
- Played in 24 career games

2025

- Played 25 defensive snaps in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in 12 of the Vols' 13 games in 2024 at LEO
- Played 119 total defensive snaps and finished with eight total tackles to go along with one tackle for loss
- Posted a pair of tackles and a TFL in CFP First Round contest at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Played a season-high 23 snaps and had a pair of tackles in win over UTEP (11/23)
- Saw action on 12 defensive snaps at #12 Georgia, tying his season high for an SEC game
- Posted one tackle in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played nine snaps and had one tackle in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had one tackle and one quarterback hurry in 20 defensive snaps during season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in agricultural leadership, education and communication
- The consensus No. 1 overall player in the state of Tennessee for the Class of 2023 and a consensus four-star prospect
- Was a top-15 edge rusher in the country by all major recruiting outlets, rated as high as No. 4 by Rivals and No. 8 by ESPN
- Over his final three seasons at Riverdale High School, accumulated 200 total tackles, 56 tackles for loss, 11 sacks, four pass breakups and three interceptions
- Younger brother of Elijah Herring, who played linebacker for the Vols from 2022-23 before transferring to Memphis and then Florida State
- Chose Tennessee over 35 other Division I offers, including nine SEC programs
- X: @CalebHerring19 | IG: @calebherring

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	2 (3x), last at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Tackles for Loss	1.0 (2x), last at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Sacks	1.0 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Quarterback Hurries	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	11/0	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	1	0	0	0	2-UTSA
2024	12/0	4	4	8	0-0	1-3	0	0	1	0	2-2x
2025	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
Career	24/0	5	6	11	1-7	2-10	1	0	1	0	2-3x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
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Chattanooga	0-1-1, 1 qbh
vs. NC State	1-0-1
Kent State	DNP
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-1-1
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	2-0-2, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
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vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0

at Alabama	DNP
at Kentucky	DNP
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	0-1-1
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



DAEVIN HOBBS

DL • 6-4 • 290 • Jr.
Concord, N.C.

First name pronounced DAY-vin

CAREER HONORS

- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Former five-star recruit who is in his third season, poised to make a major impact in the defensive interior
- Has seen increased time every year and played a vital role in the rotation in 2024
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2023 and was limited in spring practice after recovering from an upper body injury
- Played in 23 career games with no starts

2025

- Did not see action in season-opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) due to injury

2024

- Member of the defensive tackle rotation on Tennessee's elite defense
- Saw action in all 13 games and played 209 total defensive snaps
- Logged 20 total tackles, including 2.5 tackles for loss and one sack at defensive tackle
- Made CFP debut at #6 Ohio State (12/21) and posted one assisted tackle
- Played a season-high 32 snaps and made three tackles in win vs. UTEP (11/23), including a career-best 1.5 TFLs and half a sack
- Had two solo tackles in 20 defensive snaps at No. 12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made two tackles in 19 snaps in win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Had one of his most productive games as a Vol in win vs. Kentucky (11/2), racking up a career-high four tackles while adding a QB hurry
- Played 22 snaps and finished with one tackle and one QB hurry in win over No. 7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had half a sack and a QB hurry at Arkansas (10/5)
- Logged 16 defensive snaps and made two tackles in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31).

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Nicknames are "D2W" and "Shrek"
- Considered the No. 4 defensive lineman in the country by On3 and 247Sports
- Ranked the top prospect in North Carolina by 247Sports and Rivals
- Dual sport athlete in high school who led the Robinson Bulldogs to a 2021 Class 2A state championship while averaging 14.7 points per game
- X: @DaevinH | IG: @daevinhobbs

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Sacks	0.5 (2x), last vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
QB Hurries	1 (3x), last vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023	10/0	6	8	14	0-0	1-1	0	0	0	0	3-2x
2024	13/0	7	13	20	1-3	2.5-5	0	0	3	0	4-UK
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
Career	23/0	13	21	34	1-3	3.5-6	0	0	3	0	4-UK

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	DNP - Injury
2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-2-2
vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Arkansas	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
Florida	0-1-1
Alabama	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Kentucky	1-3-4, 1 qbh
Mississippi State	1-1-2
at Georgia	2-0-2
UTEP	1-2-3, 1.5 tfl, 0.5 s
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1
at Ohio State	0-1-1

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	3-0-3
Austin Peay	2-1-3
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	0-2-2
South Carolina	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-2-2
UConn	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	1-1-2, 0.5 tfl
vs. Iowa	0-0-0



COLTON HOOD

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McDonough, Ga.

CAREER HONORS

- SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1/25)

CAREER

- Transfer cornerback who is expected to make an impact in his first season on Rocky Top
- Committed to the Vols in May 2025
- Played his redshirt freshman season of 2024 at Colorado where he was part of a starting rotation
- Joined the Buffaloes after spending his freshman campaign of 2023 at Auburn
- A McDonough, Georgia, native who is closer to home and has three years of remaining eligibility, including the 2025 season
- Made 31 total tackles during his career with two interceptions, nine pass breakups and one fumble recovery for a touchdown
- Played in 18 career games (4 at Auburn, 13 at Colorado, 1 at Tennessee) with two starts (1 at Colorado, 1 at Tennessee)

2025

- Started at cornerback in his Tennessee debut vs. Syracuse (8/30) and earned SEC Co-Defensive Player of the Week honors after making an immediate impact in the secondary, finishing with four tackles, a fumble recovery for a touchdown and three pass breakups, all career bests
- Provided a swing in momentum against the Orange with a 22-yard fumble return for a touchdown late in the first quarter, the first scoop-and-score for the Vols since 2023
- His three PBUs were the most by an SEC player in Week 1

2024 (AT COLORADO)

- Part of a cornerback rotation at Colorado that included Heisman Trophy winner Travis Hunter
- Earned All-Big 12 honorable mention honors from College Football News
- Played in all 13 games with one start and also was a major contributor in special teams coverage

- Finished the season with 24 total tackles, six pass breakups, two interceptions and one tackle for loss
- In his first career start against Arizona, limited future top pick Tetairoa McMillan to only five receptions for 38 yards, while collecting his second career interception and returning it 46 yards
- Delivered a breakout game against Kansas State (10/12) after Hunter left for injury
- Finished with two tackles and his first career interception, returning it 59 yards, that helped set up a touchdown against the Wildcats
- Collected a career-high three solo tackles in Alamo Bowl vs. BYU (12/28)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- Has two sisters and five brothers
- Brother, Brandon, played running back at Colorado in 2024 before transferring to UMass
- Uncle, Roderick Hood, played eight seasons in the NFL after appearing in 47 games as a defensive back for Auburn
- Favorite musical artist is NBA YoungBoy
- X: @Colton_Hood2023 | IG: @hoodera1

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles for Loss	1.0 at UCF, 9/28/24*
Interceptions	1 (2x), last at Arizona, 10/19/24*
Long Interception Return	59 vs. Kansas State, 10/12/24*
Passes Defended	3 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumble Recoveries	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Fumble Return	22 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Touchdowns	1 (fumble return) vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

* - at Colorado

CAREER STATS

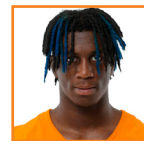
Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
2023	4/0	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-MD
2024	13/1	20	4	24	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	8	3-3x
2025	1/1	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	3	4-SU
at AUB	4/0	3	0	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	3-MD
at COLO	13/1	20	4	24	0-0	1-1	0	0	2	8	3-3x
at UT	1/1	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	3	4-SU
Career	18/2	26	5	31	0-0	1-1	0	1	2	11	4-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-1-4, 1 fr (TD), 3 pd
2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
North Dakota State	2-0-2
at Nebraska	0-1-1
at Colorado State	2-0-2, 1 pd
Baylor	1-0-1, 1 pd
at UCF	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kansas State	0-2-2, 1 pd, 1 int
*at Arizona	3-0-3, 1 pd, 1 int
Cincinnati	2-0-2
at Texas Tech	2-1-3
Utah	1-0-1, 2 pd
at Kansas	1-0-1
Oklahoma State	1-0-1, 2 pd
vs. BYU	3-0-3

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
UMass	0-0-0
Samford	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Maryland	3-0-3

* - denotes started



RADARIOUS JACKSON

WR • 6-2 • 210 • Fr.
Memphis, Tenn.

CAREER

- Physical receiver who starred for Sheffield High School in Memphis
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025, participated in spring practice and shined in the Orange & White Game

- Rated a consensus four-star prospect and top-10 player from Tennessee by all major recruiting services
- The No. 2 player in the state of Tennessee according to On3
- Named the 2023 Class 3A Mr. Football for Tennessee
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his Tennessee debut in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), did not record any stats

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Goes by "RaRa"
- Favorite musical artists are NBA YoungBoy and Rod Wave
- X: @RadariousC | IG: @iamthr3e

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	1/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-
Career	1/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0



JOSHUA JOSEPHS
DL • 6-3 • 240 • Sr.
Kennesaw, Ga.

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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Second Team (Athlon)
- SEC Defensive Lineman of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/23/24)

CAREER

- Fourth-year defensive pass rusher with great length and quickness who is poised to have a big fall
- In 2024, teamed with James Pearce Jr., at the LEO position to form a ferocious pass rush
- According to PFF, is the only returning edge in the country with 85+ grades in run defense (91.4) and pass rush (86.4)
- Recorded 78 tackles, 17 tackles for loss, 6.5 sacks, 17 QB hurries, four forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and six pass breakups in his career
- Played in 38 career games and made six starts

2025

- Started at LEO in the season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) and posted a career-high tying seven tackles, one sack for a loss of 10 yards and a forced fumble

2024

- One of the top 10 highest graded edge rushers in the country according to PFF (90.0)
- Played in all 13 games with five starts at the LEO position
- Ranked fifth on the team overall with 39 tackles and was second on the squad with nine tackles for loss
- Added 1.5 sacks, three pass breakups, eight QB hurries, a team-high three forced fumbles and two fumble recoveries
- Tied for fourth in the SEC in forced fumbles
- Made three tackles, including one TFL and half a sack, while adding a pass breakup in road win at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Was dominant in win vs. UTEP (11/23), posting five tackles and a QB hurry while setting a career high with two TFLs
- Posted three tackles and one PBU at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had four tackles, a QB hurry and a massive strip sack to force a turnover and setup a go-ahead touchdown for the Vols in the third quarter of their win over Kentucky (11/2)

- Started at defensive end and played a season-high 40 snaps in win over #7 Alabama (10/19), posting three tackles, including half a TFL and a career-best three QB hurries
- Was a force in win over Florida (10/12), setting career highs in tackles (7), and pass breakups (1) while also recording 1.5 TFLs and a QB hurry
- Played 38 snaps and finished with four tackles and half a TFL at Arkansas (10/5)
- Was extremely disruptive in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), posting three tackles, a TFL, two forced fumbles and a fumble recovery in a dominant defensive effort
- Forced and recovered a fumble to stifle a potential Sooners' scoring drive inside UT's 10-yard line at the beginning of the second quarter
- Made his first-career start in blowout win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), posting two tackles and a TFL on 18 defensive snaps
- Played 15 snaps and posted three tackles, half a TFL and made his first-career fumble recovery, which led to a first-quarter touchdown in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Models his game after T.J. Watt
- Favorite movie is Kung Fu Panda
- Favorite artist is YoungBoy Never Broke Again
- Would most like to visit Greece
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Sacks	1.0 (6x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
QB Hurries	3 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Forced Fumbles	2 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Passes Defended	1 (6x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	12/0	6	6	12	1-7	2.5-9	0	0	5	2	3-2x
2023	12/0	11	9	20	3-18	4.5-24	0	0	3	1	5-MIZ
2024	13/5	17	22	39	1.5-10	9-25	3	2	8	3	7-UF
2025	1/1	5	2	7	1-10	1-10	1	0	1	0	7-SU
Career	38/6	39	39	78	6.5-45	17-68	4	2	17	6	7-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	5-2-7, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff, 1 qbh

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl, 1 fr
*vs. NC State	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 2 ff, 1 fr
at Arkansas	1-3-4, 0.5 tfl
*Florida	2-5-7, 1.5 tfl, 1 qbh, 1 pd
*Alabama	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl, 3 qbh
*Kentucky	2-2-4, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh, 1 ff
*Mississippi State	0-0-0, 2 qbh
at Georgia	2-1-3, 1 pd
UTEP	2-3-5, 2 tfl, 1 qbh
at Vanderbilt	1-2-3, 1 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 pd
at Ohio State	0-1-1

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-1-2
Austin Peay	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	0-1-1
South Carolina	1-0-1, 1 s, 1 tfl, 1 qbh
Texas A&M	1-0-1
at Alabama	2-0-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Missouri	4-1-5, 1 tfl
Georgia	0-1-1
Vanderbilt	0-4-4, 0.5 tfl, 1 qbh
vs. Iowa	1-1-2

2022 Opp.

Ball State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 1 pd
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	3-0-3, 1 tfl
Florida	0-1-1, 2 qbh
at LSU	1-1-2, 1 s, 1 tfl
Alabama	0-0-0
UT Martin	0-1-1, 1 qbh, 1 pd
Kentucky	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0, 1 qbh
vs. Clemson	2-1-3

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Mackey Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Veteran SEC tight end in his final season as one of the top players at his position in the country
- Came to Tennessee after spending the 2022-23 seasons at Alabama and has developed into one of the team leaders
- Member of the team's leadership council
- A tremendous pass catcher with punishing blocking ability
- Originally signed with Alabama after playing one season at Hutchinson (Kan.) Community College
- Granted another year of eligibility with an NCAA waiver in December 2024
- According to PFF, is one of the top three returning tight ends in the SEC in 2025
- Played in 33 games at the FBS level with 14 starts (14/14 at UT) and owns 26 career catches for 329 yards and five receiving touchdowns

2025

- Started the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), played 63 offensive snaps and finished with two catches for 10 yards, including a 2-yard touchdown grab in the fourth quarter

2024

- Tennessee's starting tight end in all 13 games during the 2024 College Football Playoff season, leading the unit with 301 receiving yards, four receiving touchdowns and one rushing score
- His five total scores were third-most among SEC tight ends
- Scored a go-ahead, 18-yard touchdown at Vanderbilt (11/30) and finished the regular season finale with two catches for 33 yards
- Logged two catches for 34 yards vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Capped Tennessee's opening drive at #12 Georgia (11/16) with his first-career rushing touchdown while also pulling in four catches for a team-high 46 yards against the Bulldogs
- Produced the best outing of his FBS career against Kentucky (11/2), finishing with a game- and career-high six receptions for 97 yards, including a 6-yard touchdown that ended up being the game-winning score against the Wildcats
- His 97 receiving yards in the win over the Wildcats were the most by a Tennessee tight end in a single game since Mychal Rivera had 129 vs. Missouri on Nov. 10, 2012
- Started and played 53 offensive snaps against his former team as Tennessee defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Started at TE and hauled in a touchdown for the second week in a row on a 15-yard strike from Gaston Moore in victory over Kent State (9/14)

- Was the highest graded tight end in the country for Week 2 (94.0) according to PFF in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made second straight start at tight end and caught three passes for 39 yards vs. #24 NC State (9/7), including an 15-yard touchdown grab in the third quarter for his first trip to the end zone as a Vol
- Started at TE and played 26 offensive snaps in his Tennessee debut vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in marketing
- Enjoys fishing and is a scratch golfer
- Says his father has been his biggest influence
- Models his game after Rob Gronkowski
- Favorite movie is Step Brothers
- Favorite TV show is Breaking Bad
- Superstition before every game is eating a Snickers
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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	6 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Receiving Yards	97 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Receiving Touchdowns	1 (5x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Reception	31 vs. Kentucky, 11/2/24
Rushing Attempts	1 (2x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Rushing Yards	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Rushing Touchdowns	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Long Rush	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
*2022	6/0	2	18	9.0	3.0	0	13-UST	18-UST
*2023	13/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	--	--
2024	13/13	22	301	13.7	23.2	4	31-UK	97-UK
2025	1/1	2	10	5.0	10.0	1	8-SU	10-SU
at ALA	19/0	2	18	9.0	0.9	0	13-UST	18-UST
at UT	14/14	24	311	13.0	22.2	5	31-UK	97-UK
Career	33/14	26	329	12.7	10.0	5	31-UK	97-UK

* at Alabama

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	2-10-1, 8

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*Chattanooga	0-0-0
*vs. NC State	3-39-1, 16
*Kent State	1-15-1, 15
*at Oklahoma	0-0-0
*at Arkansas	2-24-0, 17
*Florida	0-0-0
*Alabama	0-0-0
*Kentucky	6-97-1, 31
*Mississippi State	1-8-0, 8
*at Georgia	4-46-0, 13 (1-yd rush TD)
*UTEP	2-34-0, 24
*at Vanderbilt	2-33-1, 18
*at Ohio State	1-5-0, 5

2023 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
MTSU	0-0-0
Texas	0-0-0
at USF	0-0-0
Ole Miss	0-0-0
at Mississippi St.	0-0-0
at Texas A&M	0-0-0
Arkansas	0-0-0
Tennessee	0-0-0
LSU	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
Chattanooga	DNP
at Auburn	0-0-0
vs. Georgia	0-0-0
vs. Michigan	0-0-0

2022 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Utah State	2-18-0, 13
at Texas	0-0-0
ULM	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Arkansas	DNP
Texas A&M	DNP
at Tennessee	DNP
Mississippi State	DNP

at LSU	DNP
at Ole Miss	DNP
Austin Peay	0-0-0
Auburn	DNP
vs. Kansas State	0-0-0

* - denotes started

**PEYTON LEWIS**

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Electrifying running back with elite track speed and a strong frame
- Signed with the Vols as a four-star prospect and top-15 running back in the country by all major recruiting services
- Expected to take on a larger role in the Vols' backfield in 2025 after a solid freshman campaign
- Began his Tennessee career as a special teams contributor before earning a spot in the rotation at running back in 2024
- Played in 14 career games

2025

- Scored UT's first touchdown of the 2025 campaign in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) with a 2-yard plunge in the first quarter and finished the game with eight carries for 38 yards

2024

- Played in all 13 contests during his debut season, handling 64 carries for 339 yards and three TDs
- Assumed kick return duties during the latter half of the 2024 campaign and finished the year with seven returns for 151 yards (21.6 avg)
- Logged 10 carries for 77 yards and three catches for seven yards in Tennessee's CFP First Round tilt at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Posted his first career multi-touchdown performance with two rushing scores vs. UTEP (11/23), finishing the contest with seven carries for 46 yards and a 26-yard kickoff return
- Had six carries for 30 yards and hauled in his first-career reception for seven yards at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Toted a career-high 14 carries for 44 yards in the win over Mississippi State (11/9) and handled one kickoff return for 31 yards
- Scored his first-career rushing touchdown during the win over Kentucky (11/2), finishing with eight carries for 24 yards and saw action as Tennessee's kickoff return specialist, as well
- Carried the ball 10 times for 99 yards in Tennessee's rout of Kent State (9/14)
- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), rushing four times for 14 yards

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management with a minor in business administration
- Favorite movie is Friday
- Favorite TV show is Stranger Things
- Plays the guitar
- Models his game after Earl Campbell
- Competed in track & field in high school and was a five-time state champion
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	14 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24
Rushing Yards	99 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Touchdowns	2 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Long Rush	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receptions	3 at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Receiving Yards	7 (2x), last at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Long Reception	7 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Kickoff Returns	2 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

Kickoff Return Yards	36 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Long Kickoff Return	31 vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	13/0	64	339	5.3	26.1	3	35-KSU	99-KSU
2025	1/0	8	38	4.8	38.0	1	8-SU	38-SU
Career	13/0	73	377	5.2	26.9	4	35-KSU	99-KSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	8-38-1, 8	1-24-0, 24

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	4-14-0, 7	0-0-0
vs. NC State	3-5-0, 3	0-0-0
Kent State	10-99-0, 35	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kentucky	8-24-1, 5	1-21-0, 21
Mississippi State	14-44-0, 11	1-31-0, 31
at Georgia	6-30-0, 16	1-13-0, 13
UTEP	7-46-2, 14	1-26-0, 26
at Vanderbilt	2-0-0, 0	2-36-0, 19
at Ohio State	10-77-0, 26	1-24-0, 24

**GEORGE MacINTYRE**

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CAREER

- Outstanding four-star in-state quarterback and leader who comes from a successful football family
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- Consensus four-star prospect by all services
- At his position, ranked No. 8 by Rivals, No. 10 by ESPN, No. 12 by On3 and No. 14 by 247Sports
- Considered the No. 1 overall recruit in the Volunteer State by ESPN, No. 2 by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports
- For his high school career, threw for 8,293 yards (230.4 ypg) with 62 touchdowns in 36 games
- As a sophomore in 2022, led Brentwood Academy to the 2022 state semifinals by throwing for 2,341 yards and 19 touchdowns
- Also played basketball, guiding Brentwood to the Division II-AA state championship as a sophomore and a state runner-up finish as a junior
- Committed to the Vols in January 2024

2025

- Did not see action in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Grandson of former Vanderbilt coach, the late George MacIntyre
- Mike MacIntyre, George's uncle, coached at San Jose State, Colorado and FIU and in the NFL
- Nickname is "G-Mac"
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CAREER STATS

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2025	0/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	-	-	-
Career	0/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	-	-	-

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Syracuse											DNP



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Signed with the Vols as one of the nation's top wide receiver prospects in 2024 and is poised to be a go-to receiver in his second year in 2025
- Showcases elite ball skills and athleticism and can make an impact in the return game, as well
- Came on strong late in 2024 and that momentum carried over to the spring
- Played in 12 career games and made one start

2025

- Made his first-career start in the season-opening victory vs. Syracuse (8/30) and pulled in two catches for 29 yards

2024

- Saw action in 11 games in the wide receiver rotation and finished his true freshman season with seven receptions for 90 yards and two touchdowns
- Hauled in a season-high three catches for 30 yards in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30), including his second touchdown of the year on a 14-yard reception in the third quarter
- Pulled in a season-long 25-yard catch in the regular season home finale vs. UTEP (11/23)
- In his collegiate debut vs. Kent State (9/14), hauled in two catches for 35 yards and his first touchdown

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Models his game after Justin Jefferson
- Says LeBron James is his biggest sports influence because he took this generation to another level along with his attitude toward the game
- Favorite TV show is Stranger Things
- Favorite food is pasta
- Favorite musical artists include Young Thug, Hunxho, Gunna and Lil Baby
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- >> Full profile on Record Book Page 88

CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	3 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Receiving Yards	35 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Receiving TDs	1 (2x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Long Reception	25 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Kickoff Returns	1 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Kickoff Return Yards	32 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Kickoff Return	32 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	11/0	7	90	12.9	8.2	2	25-UTEP	35-KSU
2025	1/1	2	29	14.5	29.0	0	16-SU	29-SU
Career	11/0	9	119	13.2	9.9	2	25-UTEP	35-KSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	2-29-0, 16	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg	KR-Yds-TD, Lg
Chattanooga	DNP - Injury	
vs. NC State	DNP - Injury	
Kent State	2-35-1, 18	1-32-0, 32
at Oklahoma	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0	0-0-0
Kentucky	1-0-0, 0	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0	0-0-0
UTEP	1-25-0, 25	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	3-30-1, 14	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Bednarik Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Thorpe Award Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Nagurski Trophy Preseason Watch List
- 2025 Lott IMPACT Trophy Preseason Watch List
- 2025 ESPN Top 100 Players List (No. 31)
- 2025 Senior Bowl Top 300 List
- 2025 Preseason All-America First Team (AP, Athlon, ESPN, PFF, Sporting News, Walter Camp)
- 2025 Preseason All-SEC First Team (Athlon, Coaches, Media)
- 2024 Jim Thorpe Award Semifinalist
- 2024 All-America Second Team (AP, SI)
- 2024 All-SEC First Team (AP)
- 2024 All-SEC Second Team (Coaches)
- Thorpe Award National Defensive Back of the Week (at Oklahoma, 9/24/24)

CAREER

- Athletic, ball-hawking cornerback who is considered the nation's best at his position
- A candidate for the 2025 Thorpe Award and preseason first-team All-American after earning second team honors in 2024
- Played his true freshman season at Oregon State before transferring to Tennessee in January 2024
- In his second season on Rocky Top and owns two years of remaining eligibility, including the 2025 campaign
- The highest rated cornerback in EA Sports College Football 26 with a 94 overall grade
- Is the sixth-highest ranked defensive player regardless of his position by EA Sports
- Working his way back from a knee injury he sustained while training in January 2025
- Totaled 75 tackles, 16 pass breakups and six interceptions during his career
- Played in 25 career games (12 at OSU, 13 at UT) with 18 starts (5 at OSU, 13 at UT)
- Suffered a knee injury while training in January 2025 and is working his way back

2025

- Did not see action in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) due to injury

2024

- Second-team All-America selection and semifinalist for the Thorpe Award in his first season on Rocky Top
- Started all 13 games at corner and led the Vols with 13 passes defended — four interceptions and nine pass breakups
- Two of his picks were in the endzone and prevented touchdowns
- His 13 passes defended ranked fourth in the SEC and fourth among underclassmen nationally
- Ranked in a four-way tie for fourth in the SEC in interceptions
- His 13 passes defended were the most by a Vol since Theo Jackson also had 13 in 2021
- According to PFF, his 89.6 coverage grade ranked third in the SEC and ninth in the FBS among cornerbacks
- Selected to the All-SEC First Team by the AP and the All-SEC Second Team by the coaches
- Allowed only one touchdown during the regular season on 640 total snaps
- Finished with 44 total tackles, which ranked third on the team
- Snared his fourth interception of the season with a spectacular carom off a tipped pass in the end zone at Vanderbilt (11/30) and finished the regular season finale with six total tackles
- Registered a career-high three passes defended vs. UTEP (11/23), including his third pick of the season and a pair of pass breakups in the shutout victory
- Tied for the team lead with seven tackles in the win over Mississippi State (11/9), including two solo stops

- Had a career day in his Third Saturday In October debut vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), tallying eight tackles (five solo), half a TFL, one pass breakup and a crucial, one-handed interception in the end zone that halted a second-and-goal opportunity for the Crimson Tide in the first quarter
- Talled three tackles, a critical fourth-down PBU in the fourth quarter and two punt returns for 34 yards in an overtime victory vs. Florida (10/12)
- Earned National DB of the Week honors from the Jim Thorpe Award after a sensational performance at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), registering three tackles, one PBU and his first interception as a Vol that he returned 17 yards
- Logged 48 snaps against the Sooners and did not allow a completion, recording a 0.0 passer grade
- Started at corner, logged a PBU and returned a punt 23 yards in shutout victory over Kent State (9/14)
- Started in his UT debut at CB, posted two tackles and had one pass breakup in season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- His cousin, Travis Gibson, plays for the Jacksonville Jaguars
- Models his game after Jalen Ramsey
- Favorite movie is Friday
- Favorite sport other than football is baseball
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	8 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Tackles For Loss	0.5 (2x), last vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
Interceptions	1 (6x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Passes Defended	3 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Fumble Recoveries	1 at Washington State, 9/23/23*
Punt Returns	2 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Punt Return Yards	34 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Long Punt Return	23 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

* - at Oregon State

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2023	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
2024	13/13	26	18	44	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	4	13	8-ALA
2025	0/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at OSU	12/5	16	15	31	0-0	0.5-1	0	1	2	9	6-2x
at UT	13/13	26	18	44	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	4	13	8-ALA
Career	25/18	42	33	75	0-0	1-1	0	1	6	22	8-ALA

* - at Oregon State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	DNP - Injury

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2, 1 pd
*vs. NC State	3-0-3
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd (23-yd. PR)
*at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 2 pd, 1 int
*at Arkansas	1-4-5
*Florida	1-2-3, 1 pd (2 PR for 34 yds.)
*Alabama	5-3-8, 0.5 tfl, 2 pd, 1 int
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 1 pd
*Mississippi State	2-5-7
*at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 pd
*UTEP	0-0-0, 3 pd, 1 int
*at Vanderbilt	4-2-6, 1 pd, 1 int
*at Ohio State	4-1-5

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at San Jose State	0-1-1, 1 pd
UC Davis	1-1-2, 1 pd
San Diego State	3-0-3
at Washington State	2-3-5, 1 qbh
Utah	0-0-0
*at California	2-4-6, 1 pd, 1 int, 0.5 tfl
UCLA	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Arizona	1-5-6
at Colorado	0-0-0, 1 pd
*Stanford	0-0-0, 2 pd, 1 int
*Washington	3-1-4, 1 pd
*at Oregon	4-0-4, 1 pd

vs. Notre Dame DNP

* - denotes started

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McMURRAY**
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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2022 College Football News Freshman All-America Second Team

CAREER

- Versatile and experienced cornerback who joined the Vols prior to the 2024 season after spending three years at Temple
- Appeared in 27 games with 23 starts and was a team captain for the Owls
- Using his final year of eligibility in 2025 after a solid debut season for the Big Orange in 2024
- Logged 111 tackles—74 solo—with 3.5 tackles for loss, one interception, 16 pass breakups, two forced fumbles and one fumble recovery during his career
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024
- Played in 41 career games (27 at TU, 14 at UT) with 25 starts (23 at TU, 2 at UT)

2025

- Started at STAR in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30), racked up a career-high tying seven tackles, including his first-career sack, and made a pivotal pass breakup that led to an interception by Jeremiah Telander early in the second half

2024

- Played in all 13 games and made one start at corner in his debut season with Tennessee
- Finished the year with 14 total tackles (12 solo) and four pass breakups
- Had one tackle and played 16 defensive snaps in CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Collected a pair of tackles vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Logged his 100th and 101st career tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16), finishing the contest with two solo stops and a pass breakup
- Had a solo tackle and a PBU in Tennessee's win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Posted one solo tackle in 32 defensive snaps as UT defeated #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Played eight defensive snaps vs. Florida (10/12) and finished the game with two solo stops
- Registered two solo tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Logged one solo tackle and a PBU in his 30th career appearance in shutout win over Kent State (9/14)
- Earned the start at CB in his Tennessee debut in season-opening victory vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and finished the game with one solo tackle

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Models his game after Jaire Alexander
- Favorite food is fried rice
- Favorite movie is Avengers: Infinity War
- Favorite musical artist is J. Cole
- X: @Jalen_McMurray | IG: @jalen.mcmurray

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	7 (4x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (3x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Interceptions	1 vs. Tulsa, 10/21/22*
Passes Defended	3 at Memphis, 10/1/22*
Forced Fumbles	1 (2x), last vs. USF, 11/5/22*
Fumble Recoveries	1 vs. USF, 11/5/22*

* - at Temple

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
*2021	4/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-WAG
*2022	12/12	33	16	49	0-0	1-4	2	1	1	8	7-2x
*2023	11/11	24	15	39	0-0	1-5-7	0	0	0	4	7-UAB
2024	13/1	12	2	14	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	4	2-4x
2025	1/1	4	3	7	1-5	1-5	0	0	0	1	7-SU
at TU	27/23	59	31	90	0-0	2-5-11	2	1	1	12	7-3x
at UT	14/2	16	5	21	1-5	1-5	0	0	0	5	7-SU
Career	41/25	75	36	111	1-5	3-5-16	2	1	1	17	7-4x

* - at Temple

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-3-7, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-0-1
vs. NC State	0-1-1
Kent State	1-0-1, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	2-0-2
Florida	2-0-2
Alabama	1-0-1
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	1-0-1, 1 pd
at Georgia	2-0-2, 1 pd
UTEP	1-1-2
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0, 1 pd
at Ohio State	1-0-1

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Akron	3-1-4
*at Rutgers	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 2 pd
*Norfolk State	2-2-4
Miami	DNP
*at Tulsa	3-1-4
*UTSA	2-1-3
*at North Texas	3-1-4, 1 pd
*SMU	2-2-4
*Navy	1-0-1
*at USF	1-1-2, 1.0 tfl
*at UAB	5-2-7
*Memphis	2-2-4, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*at Duke	4-3-7
*Lafayette	2-0-2, 1 pd
*Rutgers	3-4-7, 1 pd, 1 ff
*Massachusetts	3-0-3, 1 pd
*at Memphis	2-1-3, 3 pd
*at UCF	0-2-2
*Tulsa	4-2-6, 1 int
*at Navy	2-1-3
*USF	3-1-4, 1.0 tfl, 1 ff, 1 fr
*at Houston	5-0-5
*Cincinnati	4-1-5, 1 pd
*East Carolina	1-1-2

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Rutgers	0-0-0
at Akron	0-0-0
Wagner	2-0-2
at Tulsa	0-0-0

* - denotes started

**JAKE
MERKLINGER**
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CAREER

- Talented young quarterback who put up prolific passing numbers during his prep career in Georgia
- Served as the Vols' third-string quarterback during his true freshman season in 2024
- Played in two games

2025

- Did not see action in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Served as Tennessee's third-string quarterback during his first season on campus and earned a redshirt
- Played in two games and was 6-of-9 for 48 yards with no touchdowns or interceptions
- Saw action in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14) and completed two passes for 17 yards while adding 21 rushing yards on four carries
- Made his Tennessee debut on his 19th birthday and completed four-straight passes for 31 yards in the fourth quarter of UT's season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- A consensus four-star recruit by all four major recruiting services
- Rated a top-300 player nationally by Rivals (No. 80), ESPN (No. 185) and 247Sports (No. 211)
- A four-year starter at Calvary Day School in Savannah, Georgia, who finished his prep career with an impressive 42-10 record and 145 total touchdowns (113 passing, 32 rushing)
- Has one brother, Ryan, who played college football at Western Illinois and Valparaiso
- Multi-sport standout who also starred for the Calvary Day basketball and lacrosse teams
- Chose Tennessee over 27 other Division I offers, including eight SEC programs
- Hobbies include playing golf, boating and chess
- Aspires to be an athletics director
- Favorite musical artist is Chris Stapleton
- Favorite TV show is Outer Banks
- X: @JakeMerklinger | IG: @jakemerklinger

CAREER HIGHS

Completions	4 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Attempts	5 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Passing Yards	31 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Long Pass	13 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Rushes	4 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Rushing Yards	21 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Long Rush	24 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24

CAREER STATS

Passing	GP/GS	Com	Att	Pct	TD	Int	Yds	Per/G	Long	High Yd
2024	2/0	6	9	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13-UTC	31-UTC
2025	0/0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	-	-
Career	2/0	6	9	66.7	0	0	48	24.0	13-UTC	31-UTC

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
vs. Syracuse						DNP					

2024 Opp.	Comp	Att	TD	INT	Pct.	Yards	Lg	Run	Yds	TD	Lg
Chattanooga	4	4	0	0	100.0	31	13	3	1	0	3
vs. NC State						DNP					
Kent State	2	5	0	0	40.0	17	9	4	21	0	24
at Oklahoma						DNP					
at Arkansas						DNP					
Florida						DNP					
Alabama						DNP					
Kentucky						DNP					
Mississippi State						DNP					
at Georgia						DNP					
UTEP						DNP					
at Vanderbilt						DNP					
at Ohio State						DNP					

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Last name is pronounced Moy

CAREER HONORS

- 2025 On3 Preseason All-Transfer Portal Team
- 2024 Big 12 Fall Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 All-Pac-12 Second Team (AP)
- 2023 Midseason Freshman All-American Watch List (FWAA)

CAREER

- Powerful offensive guard who transferred to Tennessee after playing three seasons at Arizona where he was all-conference
- Enrolled on Rocky Top in January 2025 and went through spring practice after entering the transfer portal on Dec. 18, 2024
- Owns two seasons of eligibility, including the 2025 campaign
- Seen action on 1,845 offensive snaps and has allowed only one sack during his career
- Has not allowed a sack in 20 consecutive games dating back to his redshirt freshman season
- Played in 30 games (29 at Arizona, 1 at Tennessee) with 28 starts (27 at Arizona, 1 at Tennessee)
- Of his 28 starts, 27 were at left guard and one at right guard

2025

- Started his Tennessee debut at right guard and saw action on all 68 offensive snaps vs. Syracuse (8/30), did not allow a sack or pressure and helped pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024 (AT ARIZONA)

- Played in all 12 games with 11 starts, all at left guard
- Did not allow a sack or a penalty and issued only one QB hit in a team-high 760 offensive snaps
- According to PFF, played 638 snaps at left guard and 122 snaps at right guard
- Saw a season-high 86 offensive snaps at BYU (10/12)
- Selected to the Big 12 Academic Honor Roll

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Nickname is "Wowo"
- X: @moe_wendell | IG: @wowo72mo3

CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/1; 2024: 12/11; 2023: 13/13; 2022: 4/3

Career: 30/28; Arizona: 29/27; Tennessee: 1/1



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Last name pronounced Moy

CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Award Watch List

CAREER

- Strong, experienced interior defensive lineman in his second season with the program after transferring from Stanford
- Quickly developed into a leader on the defense and was selected to the team's leadership council
- In two seasons with the Cardinal, played in 24 games with eight starts at defensive tackle
- For his entire collegiate career, recorded 53 total tackles, 10 tackles for loss, three sacks, one forced fumble and four pass breakups
- Played in 38 career games (24 at Stanford, 14 at UT) with nine starts (8 at Stanford, 1 at Tennessee)

2025

- Started the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) but played just three snaps before leaving the game early due to injury

2024

- Quickly made his presence known at defensive tackle in his first season as a prominent part of the rotation
- Played in all 13 games with no starts, seeing action on 246 defensive snaps
- Finished the season with 16 total tackles, 4.5 tackles for loss, two sacks, a forced fumble and one PBU

- Posted a solo sack and a pass breakup in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Had a solo tackle and his first-career forced fumble at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Equaled his season-high with three tackles in the win over Mississippi State (11/9)
- Blocked for Tennessee's short-yardage package vs. Kentucky (11/2) and helped pave the way for Peyton Lewis' first career rushing touchdown
- Had two tackles, including one TFL in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19)
- Had two total tackles and saw action on the offensive side of the ball, blocking for UT's short-yardage package vs. Florida (10/12)
- Logged two assisted tackles at Arkansas (10/5)
- Led the team with two TFLs in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), including his first sack as a Vol for a loss of seven yards as part of a dominant defensive showing by UT
- Logged three tackles, including a half TFL, in UT's win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut on the defensive line in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31) and saw action on 16 defensive snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Father, Junior, played football at Southern Cal
- Family is of Samoan, Irish and Armenian descent
- Models his game after Aaron Donald
- Favorite food is sushi
- Grew up playing baseball
- X: @JaxsonMoi | IG: @Jaxson_King

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	4 (2x), last at California, 11/19/22*
Tackles For Loss	2.0 (2x), last at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Sacks	1.0 (2x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Forced Fumbles	1 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Passes Defended	1 (4x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

* - at Stanford

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
*2022	12/1	8	14	22	0.5-0	4.5-10	0	0	1	2	4-2x
*2023	12/7	3	12	15	0.5-4	1-5	0	0	2	1	3-2x
2024	13/0	7	9	16	2-13	4.5-19	1	0	0	1	3-2x
2025	1/1	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at STAN	24/8	11	26	37	1-4	5.5-15	0	0	3	3	4-3x
at UT	14/1	7	9	16	2-13	4.5-19	1	0	0	1	3-2x
Career	38/9	18	35	53	3-17	10-34	1	0	3	4	4-3x

* - at Stanford

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s
at Arkansas	0-2-2
Florida	1-1-2
Alabama	2-0-2, 1 tfl
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-3-3
at Georgia	1-0-1, 1 ff
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 pd
at Ohio State	0-0-0

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Hawaii	1-0-1
at Southern Cal	1-0-1
*Sacramento State	0-1-1
Arizona	0-1-1, 1 qbh
Oregon	1-1-2
at Colorado	0-0-0
*UCLA	0-0-0
*Washington	0-0-0
*at Washington State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s, 1 qbh
*at Oregon State	0-3-3, 0.5 tfl
*California	0-3-3
*Notre Dame	0-1-1, 1 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Colgate	0-0-0, 1 qbh
Southern Cal	0-2-2
at Washington	1-1-2
at Oregon	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Oregon State	0-0-0
at Notre Dame	2-2-4, 1 pd
Arizona State	0-3-3, 1.0 tfl, 1 pd
at UCLA	1-0-1
Washington State	1-2-3, 1.0 tfl
at Utah	0-0-0
at California	3-1-4, 2.0 tfl
BYU	0-2-2

* - denotes started



DAUNE MORRIS

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First name pronounced duh-WAN

CAREER

- Dynamic running back who is competing for a spot in the rotation as a true freshman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- Also in the mix for kickoff and punt return duties
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his collegiate debut in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) and toted two carries for two yards

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Consensus top-20 prospect in the state of Tennessee for the class of 2025
- Helped lead Oakland (Tenn.) High School to a 2024 Class 6A state title his senior season
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CAREER HIGHS

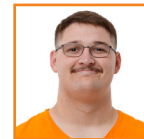
Rushes	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Rushing Yards	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Rush	2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	1/0	2	2	1.0	2.0	0	2-SU	2-SU
Career	1/0	2	2	1.0	2.0	0	2-SU	2-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	PR-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	2-2-0, 2	0-0-0



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CAREER

- Experienced offensive guard and center who transferred to Tennessee after playing two seasons at Notre Dame
- Was originally recruited by the Vols out of high school in nearby North Carolina
- Owns three seasons of remaining eligibility after redshirting as a true freshman
- Member of two Joe Moore Award semifinalist units with the Irish
- Committed to Tennessee on Jan. 24, 2025
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025 and went through spring practice
- Has not allowed a sack over 574 snaps during his career
- Played in 17 career games (16 at Notre Dame, 1 at UT) with eight starts (7 at Notre Dame, 1 at UT)
- Of his eight starts, seven were at left guard and one at center

2025

- Started his Tennessee debut at center vs. Syracuse (8/30) and according to PFF, played 67 offensive snaps without allowing a sack and helped pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024 (AT NOTRE DAME)

- A major contributor at offensive guard and the backup center for Notre Dame, who reached the College Football Playoff National Championship Game
- Played in 13 games with seven starts – all at left guard
- Starts came during the first seven games of the year
- Saw action on 482 offensive snaps and did not allow a sack the entire season
- Played 34 snaps in CFP First Round Game vs. Indiana (12/20)
- Did not play in the Sugar Bowl, Orange Bowl or CFP title game
- Played a season-high 68 offensive snaps in left guard start at Georgia Tech (10/19)
- Started and played all 48 snaps vs. Stanford (10/12)
- Left guard start vs. Louisville (9/28) saw him play 52 offensive snaps
- Made first career start at Texas A&M (8/31), playing all 67 snaps at left guard and five snaps on special teams unit in big road win

NOTABLE

- Majoring in economics
- Has a twin sister, Emma and a brother, Eli
- Lived on a beef farm near Pilot Mountain, North Carolina, where his dad runs a feed business
- Works on the farm when he goes back home, including during spring break
- Was originally recruited by Tennessee out of high school
- Wears an old-school facemask as an homage to his father Jason, who played on the offensive line at William & Mary, where he was a teammate of Pittsburgh Steelers head coach Mike Tomlin in the early 1990s
- Watches old-school tape on former Washington NFL standout John Riggins
- X: @SamPendleton7 | IG: @samuelpendleton72

CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/1; 2024: 13/7; 2023: 3/0
Career: 17/8; Notre Dame: 16/7; Tennessee: 1/1



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Murfreesboro, Tenn.

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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Versatile offensive lineman from the midstate who is expected to make an impact in 2025 at guard or tackle
- Transformed his body since arriving on Rocky Top in January 2024, adding to his frame and gaining more than 50 pounds during that span
- Regarded as a player who "does everything right" according to offensive line coach Glen Elarbee
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2024 as a three-star prospect by all major recruiting services
- Played in five career games with one start at right tackle

2025

- Made his first-career start in the season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) and played all 68 offensive snaps at right tackle without allowing a sack, helping pave the way for 493 total yards and 246 rushing yards

2024

- Played in four games as a true freshman before earning a redshirt

- Saw action on 72 offensive snaps for the season
- Played 20 snaps at right tackle vs. UTEP (11/23) and Kent State (9/14)
- Made his collegiate debut with a season-high 32 snaps vs. Chattanooga (8/31)
- Also appeared in the Vanderbilt game (11/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Chose Tennessee over 25 other Division I offers, including four SEC programs
- Favorite movie is Elf
- Favorite musical artist is 21 Savage
- X: @jessep_72 | IG: @jessep_72

CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/1; 2024: 4/0
Career: 5/1



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CAREER

- Versatile defensive back who has earned a spot in the rotation at corner as a true freshman
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and flashed during spring practice
- Has totaled four tackles and two pass breakups during his debut season
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his collegiate debut in the season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), playing 61 defensive snaps while finishing with four tackles and two pass breakups, which led all FBS freshman in Week 1

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Arrived at Tennessee as a three-star prospect by all major recruiting services
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Passes Defended 2 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	Int	PD	High Tk
2025	1/0	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	4-SU
Career	1/0	3	1	4	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	2	4-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp. U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse 3-1-4, 2 pd



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Tall, nimble playmaker on the defensive side of the ball who has transformed his body since arriving at Tennessee in December 2022
- Was a consistent special teams contributor in 2024 after redshirting as a true freshman in 2023
- Will look to earn a consistent role in the defensive line rotation in 2025
- Two-time SEC Fall Academic Honor Roll selection
- Played in 15 career games

2025

- Played a key role on the defensive line in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), totaling three tackles with one TFL and a strip sack that resulted in a Colton Hood scoop and score in the first quarter

2024

- Played in all 13 games, primarily on the field goal/PAT unit while also seeing time as a reserve defensive lineman
- Totaled three tackles and half a tackle for loss
- Tallied one tackle in CFP First Round game at No. 6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Played a season high 15 defensive snaps and posted one tackle in win over Kent State (9/14)
- Recorded half a TFL in win over No. 24 NC State (9/7), which was the first tackle of his career

NOTABLE

- Majoring in kinesiology
- Lengthy defensive standout who played multiple roles for Greenbrier High School just north of Nashville
- Played on both sides of the ball for the Bobcats and had a knack for the ball, recovering and forcing four fumbles along with a blocked field goal
- Also competed in track and field, throwing shot put and discus while running in the 110m hurdles and the 4x100 relay at Greenbrier
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 3 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles For Loss 1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks 1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Forced Fumbles 1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	13/0	0	3	3	0-0	0.5-0	0	0	0	0	2-NC SU
2025	1/0	1	2	3	1-7	1-7	1	0	0	0	3-SU
Career	14/0	1	5	6	1-7	1.5-7	1	0	0	0	3-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp. U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse 1-2-3, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-1-1



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Preseason All-SEC Fourth Team (Athlon)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 SEC All-Freshman Team
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Ray Guy Award Final Candidate List
- Ray Guy Award College Punter of the Week Ray's 8 List (at Alabama, 10/23/23)
- 2022 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented ambidextrous punter out of Australia in his fourth year with the program and third as the starting punter and holder

- Enrolled at UT in the fall of 2022 and has two years of eligibility remaining, including the 2025 season
- A field position weapon with 46 career punts downed inside the 20-yard line and 20 career boots of 50-plus yards
- Averages 43.2 yards per punt and is the Tennessee single-game punting average record holder (53.2)
- Three-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll
- Played in 27 career games

2025

- Punted four times for 175 yards in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), landing three punts inside the 20 with a long of 56 yards

2024

- Tennessee's starting punter and holder in all 13 contests
- Led the nation and SEC in percentage of punts downed inside the 10-yard line as 15 of his 53 punts landed inside the mark for 28.3 percent
- Averaged 43.9 yards per punt (53 for 2,329) with 21 inside the 20-yard line and 10 of 50 or more yards
- Punted seven times for 286 yards for a 40.9 average in the frigid cold of Tennessee's CFP First Round Game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), including a long of 53 yards
- Knocked his lone punt at Vanderbilt (11/30) for 36 yards which was downed inside the 20
- Punted six times for 281 yards (46.8 avg) vs. UTEP (11/23) with three downed inside the 5-yard line and two kicks of 50-plus yards
- Had all five of his punts downed inside the 20 at #12 Georgia (11/6), logging five boots for 210 yards with a long of 53
- Punted three times against Mississippi State (11/9) for 139 yards (46.3 avg)
- Logged three punts for 119 yards (39.7 avg) against Kentucky (11/2), including one kick downed inside the 20
- Punted four times for 187 yards (46.8 avg) in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19) with two of his kicks downed inside the 20
- Booted seven punts for 319 yards (45.6 avg) with three downed inside the 20 and a long kick of 53 yards in win vs. Florida (10/12)
- Punted seven times for 299 yards (42.7 avg) with two downed inside the 20 and two boots of 50-plus yards at Arkansas (10/5)
- Had a career day at #15 Oklahoma (9/21), booming eight punts for 387 yards (48.4 avg.) which included three kicks of 50+ yards and two downed inside the 20-yard line
- Did not punt for the first time in his career in blowout win vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Had a 43-yard punt downed inside the 20 in the win over #24 NC State (9/7)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- At age 26, is the oldest player on the team
- Has the ability to kick with both feet
- Played tennis from the age of 4 to 17
- Avid coffee enthusiast
- Adopted a golden retriever named Maverick
- Loves watching any type of sports
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CAREER HIGHS

Punts	8 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Punting Yards	387 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24
Punting Average (min. 2)	53.2 at Alabama, 10/21/23
Longest Punt	71 at Alabama, 10/21/23
Punts Inside 20	5 at Georgia, 11/16/24
Punts 50+ Yards	3 at Oklahoma, 9/21/24

CAREER STATS

Punting	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TB	FC	I20	50+	Blk	Long
2022										DNP - Redshirted
2023	13	55	2337	42.5	3	24	22	9	0	71-ALA
2024	13	53	2329	43.9	4	15	21	10	0	57-OU
2025	1	4	175	43.8	0	3	3	1	0	56-SU
Career	27	112	4841	43.2	7	42	46	20	0	71-ALA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Punting
vs. Syracuse	4-175-43.8, Lg 56, 3 I20, 1 50+

2024 Opp.	Punting
Chattanooga	1-23-23.0, Lg 23
vs. NC State	1-43-43.0, Lg 43, 1 I20
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	8-387-48.4, Lg 57, 2 I20, 3 50+
at Arkansas	7-299-42.7, Lg 41, 2 I20, 2 50+
Florida	7-319-45.6, Lg 53, 3 I20, 1 50+
Alabama	4-187-46.8, Lg 49, 2 I20
Kentucky	3-119-39.7, Lg 45, 1 I20
Mississippi State	3-139-46.3, Lg 49
at Georgia	5-210-42.0, Lg 53, 5 I20, 1 50+
UTEP	6-281-46.8, Lg 52, 3 I20, 2 50+
at Vanderbilt	1-36-36.0, Lg 36, 1 I20
at Ohio State	7-286-40.9, Lg 53, 1 I20

2023 Opp.	Punting
vs. Virginia	5-179-35.8, Lg 50, 1 50+
Austin Peay	4-172-43.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Florida	3-120-40.0, Lg 41, 2 I20
UTSA	6-266-44.3, Lg 52, 3 I20, 2 50+
South Carolina	3-147-49.0, Lg 54, 1 I20, 2 50+
Texas A&M	3-120-40.0, Lg 49, 2 I20
at Alabama	5-266-53.2, Lg 71, 2 I20, 2 50+
at Kentucky	2-79-39.5, Lg 43
UConn	2-83-41.5, Lg 42, 2 I20
at Missouri	6-262-43.7, Lg 54, 3 I20, 2 50+
Georgia	6-240-40.0, Lg 47
Vanderbilt	3-119-39.7, Lg 47, 1 I20
vs. Iowa	7-284-40.6, Lg 48, 4 I20



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Freshman All-SEC Team
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Highly touted, lengthy defensive end with elite closing speed and explosive athleticism off the edge
- Earned Freshman All-SEC honors in 2024 and is expected to take on a larger role in UT's LEO rotation in 2025
- Played in 12 games

2025

- Played 29 defensive snaps with a TFL and a pass breakup in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Flashed his athleticism in his debut season and made a major impact on special teams
- Earned Freshman All-SEC honors as an edge rusher and appeared in 11 games
- Registered three total tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, one blocked punt and a touchdown as a rookie
- Totaled two tackles with a half tackle for loss in Tennessee's win over #24 NC State (9/7)
- In his collegiate debut, blocked a punt and returned it 49 yards for a touchdown against Chattanooga (8/31)
- Also recorded one TFL in the win over UTC on eight snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- A five-star prospect and the No. 1 edge rusher in the country according to On3 and 247Sports
- Selected to the 2024 Under Armour All-America Game
- Played basketball for Vestavia Hills where he nearly averaged a double-double (9.2 ppg, 8.1 rpg) as a junior and helped the Rebels reach the 2023 Class 7A Northwest Regional Final
- Favorite movie is Batman
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	2 vs. NC State, 9/7/24
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Blocked Punts	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Touchdowns	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24

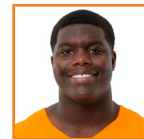
CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	11/0	1	2	3	0-0	1.5-4	0	0	0	0	2-NC SU
2025	1/0	1	0	1	0-0	1.0-5	0	0	1	0	1-SU
Career	12/0	2	2	4	0-0	2.5-9	0	0	1	0	2-NC SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 pd

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	1-0-1, 1 tfl, 1 blk, 1 td
vs. NC State	0-2-2, 0.5 tfl
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2025 Shaun Alexander Freshman of the Year Award Watch List
- 2025 On3 True Freshman Preseason All-America Team

CAREER

- An elite, blue-chip offensive tackle considered the best in America at his position who boasts a rare combination of explosiveness, size and nimble movement
- Enrolled at UT in January 2025 and went through spring practice, making his presence known at tackle
- Consensus five-star prospect who was rated the No. 1 offensive tackle by ESPN and Rivals and ranked No. 2 by On3 and No. 3 by 247Sports
- In terms of overall ranking at all positions, considered No. 6 by Rivals, No. 5 by ESPN, No. 11 by 247Sports and No. 11 by On3
- The consensus No. 1 overall prospect in the state of North Carolina by all services
- The 2023 North Carolina Gatorade Player of the Year who led Providence Day School to three straight NCISAA State Championships
- A 2024 finalist for Mr. Football in the state of North Carolina by the Charlotte Observer and News & Observer of Raleigh
- As a senior, graded at 93 percent and did not allow a sack en route to another state title game
- Member of the 247Sports 2025 Freaks List and a two-time first-team all-state selection
- Selected as a 2023 MaxPreps Second-Team All-American, and in 2022 was named to the MaxPreps Sophomore All-America Team
- Played in the Navy All-American Bowl in January 2025 on NBC

2025

- Did not play in season opener vs. Syracuse (8/30) due to injury

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sociology
- Also played basketball and was a two-time state qualifier in the shot put and discus throw
- Owns personal-bests of 53-3.5 in the shot and 143-1 in the discus
- Started playing football at the age of seven
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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Talented young offensive lineman who will be in the mix at center in 2025 after playing three games and redshirting as a true freshman in 2024
- Had a solid spring working as the primary center
- Named a 2024 SEC Academic Honor Roll selection
- Seen action in 48 offensive snaps, allowing zero pressures
- Played in four games

2025

- Played three snaps at center in UT's season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Redshirted as a true freshman
- Saw action in three games during his debut season on Rocky Top, playing 45 total offensive snaps at center
- Played 16 snaps and did not allow any quarterback pressures in Week 3 win over Kent State (9/14)
- Got in late in win over #24 NC State (9/7), playing six clean snaps
- Made his collegiate debut and played a season-high 23 offensive snaps without allowing a pressure in season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in finance
- Nickname is "Satt"
- Four-star recruit by 247Sports, ESPN and Rivals
- Rated a top-200 player nationally according to ESPN (No. 156) and Rivals (No. 184)
- Also played basketball in high school
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include cooking and building Lego jets
- Favorite musical artist is Drake
- LeBron James has been his biggest sports influence, and is from the same city he lived in
- Chose Tennessee over receiving 30 other Division I offers
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/0; 2024: 3/0

Career: 4/0



**TRAVIS
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WR • 6-3 • 210 • Fr.
Atlanta, Ga.

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CAREER

- Big, fast, powerful receiver out of Atlanta's Westlake High School who has had a strong preseason and will be in the mix for early playing time at receiver
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and participated in spring practice
- A consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services and the No. 6 player from the state of Georgia according to On3
- Rated the No. 19 player in Georgia and No. 18 receiver nationally by 247Sports
- The No. 9 wideout in the nation according to On3
- Atlanta Journal-Constitution All-Metro pick in 2023
- GHSA Region 2 6A 2024 All-Region selection
- Caught 64 passes for 1,320 yards and 15 touchdowns as a senior in 2024
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), playing seven offensive snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Was invited to play in the 2025 Polynesian Bowl
- A two-sport star who also competed in basketball
- Chose Tennessee over 33 other Division I offers, including 10 SEC programs
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CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2025	1/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-
Career	1/0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0	-	-

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Physical and athletic linebacker with all the tools who saw action in four games as a true freshman and earned a redshirt
- Has had an impressive preseason camp and is expected to be a major contributor at linebacker for the Vols in 2025
- Has 12 total tackles, one TFL and one sack in his career
- Played in five career games

2025

- Played 42 defensive snaps and recorded a career-best six tackles with one TFL and one sack in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Rounded out his freshman campaign in UT's CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21), playing a season-high 25 defensive snaps and posting one solo tackle
- Tallied a pair of stops in the regular season finale at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Made SEC debut in UT's dominant defensive effort at #15 Oklahoma (9/21) and logged one solo tackle
- Made his collegiate debut vs. Kent State (9/14) and made a pair of assisted tackles

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Born in Freetown, Sierra Leone in West Africa
- Was adopted and came to the United States in 2013, arriving in Nashville on Nov. 25, 2013
- Brother, Nate Spillman, was a WR for the Vols in 2023 and 2024 before transferring to Charlotte
- Consensus four-star prospect and top-10 player from the state of Tennessee by all major recruiting services
- Was coached by former NFL Pro Bowlers Trent Dilfer and Kevin Mawae at Lipscomb Academy
- Chose Tennessee over 33 other Division I offers, including 10 SEC programs
- Favorite movie is The Green Mile
- Favorite TV shows are The Office and Kickin' It
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Tackles For Loss	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	1.0 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2024	4/0	3	3	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-2x
2025	1/0	3	3	6	1-0-7	1-0-7	0	0	0	0	6-SU
Career	5/0	6	6	12	1-0-7	1-0-7	0	0	0	0	6-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T Other
vs. Syracuse	3-3-6, 1 tfl, 1 s

2024 Opp.	U-A-T Other
Kent State	0-2-2
at Oklahoma	1-0-1
at Vanderbilt	1-1-2
at Ohio State	1-0-1



**BRAYLON
STALEY**
WR • 6-0 • 190 • R-Fr.
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CAREER HONORS

- SEC Freshman of the Week (vs. Syracuse, 9/1/25)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Speedy wide receiver earned a redshirt during his true freshman season
- Expected to make a major impact in 2025 at slot receiver
- January 2024 early enrollee who participated in bowl practices and spring practice at Tennessee
- Played in five games with one start

2025

- Tabbed the SEC Freshman of the Week after reeling in a career-best four catches for 95 yards and a touchdown in his first-career start vs. Syracuse (8/30)
- Hauled in a 73-yard TD grab in the second quarter that was the longest reception by any SEC player in Week 1

2024

- Redshirted after playing in three games as a true freshman
- Caught three passes for 21 yards
- Saw action in the CFP First Round game at #6 Ohio State (12/21), making a career-high two catches for 11 yards
- Recorded his first-career catch with a 10-yard reception vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Also appeared in games against Kent State (9/14) and Mississippi State (11/9)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- Father was a junior college football All-American cornerback at Georgia Military College in 2001 and 2002 who then played at Mississippi State under Sylvester Croom
- A consensus four-star recruit who was rated as the No. 2 wide receiver in the state of South Carolina by On3 and 247Sports
- Tabbed a top-300 player nationally according to On3 (No. 75), 247Sports (No. 78) and ESPN (No. 174)
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include playing video games, running track and playing baseball
- Excelled in track and field, capturing three South Carolina Class 4A state titles (two in the triple jump and one in the 200-meter dash)
- The Aiken High School record holder in the 200-meter dash (21.6) and the triple jump (48-5), winning state titles in both events as a junior. Also won a state title in the triple jump as a sophomore
- Chose Tennessee over 25 other Division I offers
- Favorite food is chicken alfredo
- Favorite musical artist is Lil Baby
- Played the drums at church
- Favorite TV show is Ballers
- Aspires to become a coach one day
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CAREER HIGHS

Receptions	4 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Receiving Yards	95 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Long Reception	73 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Receiving TDs	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2024	4/0	3	21	7.0	5.2	0	10-UTEP	11-OSU
2025	1/1	4	95	23.8	95.0	1	73-SU	95-SU
Career	5/1	7	116	16.6	23.2	1	73-SU	95-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
*vs. Syracuse	4-95-1, 73

2024 Opp.	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Kent State	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
UTEP	1-10-0, 10
at Ohio State	2-11-0, 7



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Last name pronounced TEE-lan-dur

CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Physical linebacker with a nose for the ball who stepped into a starting role at MLB during the 2024 campaign and will be counted on again in 2025
- Selected by his teammates as a member of the 2025 Tennessee football's leadership council
- Has seen consistent development throughout his career, including a rookie season in which he got better every single week and was the leading freshman tackler on the squad
- Arrived on Rocky Top in December 2022, participating in Orange Bowl practices and then attending the game before going through his first spring practice in 2023
- Two-time member of the SEC Academic Honor Roll who was also selected to the 2024-25 VOLEaders Academy
- Totaled 82 tackles, seven tackles for loss, three fumble recoveries and one interception
- Played in 27 career games with nine starts

2025

- Finished season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30) with four tackles and one TFL and recorded his first-career interception on a tipped pass early in the third quarter that set up a UT touchdown

2024

- Worked his way into starting role at middle linebacker and was a consistent performer
- Played in all 13 games and started the final eight contests of his sophomore campaign as the Vols earned their first berth to the College Football Playoff
- Ranked fourth on the squad with 43 total tackles and led the team with three fumble recoveries
- Capped the season leading the Vols with a career-high 10 total tackles on 47 snaps in CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21)
- Tied his career high with six tackles and one TFL in win vs. Mississippi State (11/9), and recovered a fumble for the third time this season
- Recovered his second fumble of the season in win vs. Kentucky (11/2) and finished the game with three total tackles
- Recorded his first-career sack in a 24-17 win over #7 Alabama (10/19), finishing the night with four total tackles and half a TFL
- Made his first-career start for the Vols in overtime win vs. Florida (10/12), making five tackles with a half TFL in a season-high 67 snaps
- Had five tackles and half a TFL at Arkansas (10/5)
- Recorded three total tackles and a PBU in shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to 112 yards of total offense

- Notched one tackle and recovered a fumble in UT's 51-10 victory over #24 NC State (9/7)
- Played 29 snaps and tallied four solo tackles in the season-opening win over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- His father, Steve, played college football at UMass before getting into coaching and spending time as an assistant coach at Missouri, Bowling Green, UTEP and UMass
- A four-star recruit by ESPN and rated as the No. 11 linebacker in the country and the No. 27 player in the state of Georgia by ESPN
- Held offers from more than 25 Division I schools
- Was also a standout track and field athlete and played basketball in high school
- Won a sectional title and placed fourth at the Georgia Class 3A state championship meet in the high jump as a sophomore in 2020
- Avid bowler with a high score of 242 who owns his own ball
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	10 at Ohio State, 12/21/24
Tackles For Loss	1.0 (5x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Sacks	0.5 vs. Alabama, 10/19/24
QB Hurries	1 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24
Passes Defended	1 (3x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Interceptions	1 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25
Fumble Recoveries	1 (3x), last vs. Mississippi State, 11/9/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2023	13/0	15	20	35	0-0	2.5-4	0	0	1	0	6-2x
2024	13/8	20	23	43	0.5-1	3.5-4	0	3	1	0	10-OSU
2025	1/1	3	1	4	0-0	1.0-1	0	0	1	1	4-SU
Career	27/9	38	44	82	0.5-1	7.0-9	0	3	3	1	10-OSU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	3-1-4, 1 tfl, 1 pd, 1 int

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	4-0-4
vs. NC State	1-0-1, 1 fr
Kent State	1-2-3, 1 pd
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-5-5, 0.5 tfl
*Florida	0-5-5, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	2-2-4, 0.5 tfl, 0.5 s
*Kentucky	1-2-3, 1 fr
*Mississippi State	2-4-6, 1 tfl, 1 fr
*at Georgia	1-0-1
*UTEP	1-0-1, 1 qbh
*at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
*at Ohio State	7-3-10, 1 tfl

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-0-0
Austin Peay	2-4-6
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-2-3
South Carolina	1-1-2
Texas A&M	0-1-1
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-4-5, 1 tfl
at Missouri	2-1-3, 0.5 tfl
Georgia	2-2-4
Vanderbilt	3-3-6, 1 pd
vs. Iowa	3-2-5, 1 tfl

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2023 All-Conference USA Second Team
- 2021 KJCCC All-Conference First Team

CAREER

- Experienced, versatile graduate transfer running back who arrives on Rocky Top with one year of eligibility remaining
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025 and went through spring practice
- The 2025 campaign is his sixth year of college football after earning an extra year of eligibility following the NCAA junior college ruling
- The starting running back at Duke during the 2024 season after spending two seasons at New Mexico State (2022-23) and two years at Coffeyville Community College in Kansas (2020-21)
- In 40 career FBS games, has logged 2,136 yards on 445 carries (4.8 ypc) with 16 rushing touchdowns
- Also caught 55 passes for 511 yards and seven receiving scores in FBS contests
- Produced four 100-yard rushing games at the FBS level
- Owns a business degree from Coffeyville CC (May 2022) and a master's degree in individual studies from New Mexico State (May 2024)
- Played in 41 career games at the FBS level (1 at UT, 28 at NMSU, 12 at Duke) with 14 starts (4 at NMSU, 10 at Duke)

2025

- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), finishing with a team-high 92 yards on 12 carries with a 7-yard receiving touchdown

2024 (DUKE)

- Emerged as the starting running back in the final 10 games of the regular season
- Ranked 11th in the ACC in rushing, producing 871 yards on 213 carries with seven touchdowns
- Averaged 72.6 yards rushing per game
- Totaled 1,024 all-purpose yards as he also caught 20 passes for 153 yards and one score
- One of only 10 players in the ACC with over 800 yards rushing and 100 yards receiving
- Appeared in all 12 regular season contests and did not play in the TaxSlayer Gator Bowl vs. Ole Miss after entering the portal
- Logged three straight 100-yard rushing games from Sept. 14-28
- Rushed for a season-high 166 yards on 30 carries with one score in comeback win over rival North Carolina (9/28) and was named ACC Running Back of the Week for his efforts
- Accounted for a season-best 211 yards of total offense against the Tar Heels, also catching two passes for 45 yards, including a 29-yard TD reception
- Registered a season-high two rushing scores to go along with 111 yards on 17 carries against Middle Tennessee (9/21)
- A week earlier, posted 122 rushing yards on 22 carries in start vs. UConn (9/14)
- Also had rushing touchdowns in games vs. Virginia Tech (11/23) and Wake Forest (11/30)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in retail and merchandising management
- Two-sport standout who also played basketball in high school
- Graduate with a business degree from Coffeyville CC (May 2022) and a master's degree in individual studies from New Mexico State (May 2024)
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CAREER HIGHS

Rushes	30 vs. North Carolina, 9/28/24**
Rushing Yards	166 vs. North Carolina, 9/28/24**
Long Rush	57 vs. Hawaii, 9/24/23*
Rushing TDs	2 (2x), last at Middle Tennessee, 9/21/24**
Receptions	5 at Wake Forest, 11/30/24**
Receiving Yards	50 at UTEP, 9/10/22*
Long Reception	44 at UTEP, 9/10/22*
Receiving TDs	1 (7x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

* - at New Mexico State
** - at Duke

CAREER STATS

Rushing	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	13/1	108	520	4.8	40.0	5	57-HAW	144-HAW
2023	15/3	112	653	5.8	43.5	4	40-2x	96-WIU
2024	12/10	213	871	4.0	72.6	7	44-FSU	166-UNC
2025	1/0	12	92	7.7	92.0	0	22-SU	92-SU
at NMS	28/4	220	1173	5.3	41.9	9	57-HAW	144-HAW
at DUKE	12/10	213	871	4.1	72.6	7	44-FSU	166-UNC
at UT	1/0	12	92	7.7	92.0	0	22-SU	92-SU
Career	41/14	445	2136	5.7	68.8	16	57-HAW	166-UNC

Receiving	GP/GS	No	Yds	Avg	Per/G	TD	Long	High Yd
2022	13/1	12	151	12.6	11.6	3	44-UTEP	50-UTEP
2023	15/3	22	200	9.1	13.3	2	21-HAW	35-HAW
2024	12/10	20	153	7.65	12.8	1	29-UNC	45-UNC
2025	1/0	1	7	7.0	7.0	1	7-SU	7-SU
at NMS	28/4	34	351	10.3	12.5	5	44-UTEP	50-UTEP
at DUKE	12/10	20	153	7.65	12.8	1	29-UNC	45-UNC
at UT	1/0	1	7	7.0	7.0	1	7-SU	7-SU
Career	41/14	55	511	8.3	10.8	7	44-UTEP	50-UTEP

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
vs. Syracuse	12-92-0, 22	1-7-1, 7

2024 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Elon	13-23-0, 12	1-17-0, 17
at Northwestern	17-58-0, 11	0-0-0
*UConn	22-122-0, 22	1-24-0, 24
*at MTSU	17-111-2, 25	0-0-0
*North Carolina	30-166-1, 19	2-45-1, 29
*at Georgia Tech	14-48-0, 20	4-7-0, 4
*Florida State	21-88-1, 44	0-0-0
*SMU	17-65-1, 11	2-11-6
*at Miami	12-25-0, 7	0-0-0
*at NC State	17-36-0, 11	4-7-0, 4
*Virginia Tech	19-63-1, 33	1-15-0, 15
*at Wake Forest	14-66-1, 20	5-27-0, 9
vs. Ole Miss	DNP	DNP

GAME-BY-GAME

2023 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
UMass	8-42-0, 9	2-20-0, 18
Western Illinois	12-96-2, 25	3-32-0, 13
*at Liberty	4-3-0, 1	2-26-0, 14
*at New Mexico	10-54-1, 15	0-0-0
at Hawaii	9-38-0, 15	4-35-1, 21
FIU	8-25-1, 13	2-17-0, 11
Sam Houston	9-21-0, 5	0-0-0
at UTEP	7-42-0, 14	0-0-0
*at La Tech	10-88-0, 40	2-17-0
MTSU	4-21-0, 12	1-13-0, 13
at WKU	7-85-0, 40	0-0-0, 0
at Auburn	7-67-0, 31	1-17-1, 17
Jax State	8-22-0, 11	3-23-0, 13
at Liberty	8-39-0, 14	1-6-0, 0
vs. Fresno State	1-10-0, 10	1-6-0, 6

GAME-BY-GAME

2022 Opp.	Rush-Yds-TD, Lg	Rec-Yds-TD, Lg
Nevada	5-9-0, 5	1-2-0, 2
at Minnesota	3-7-0, 4	1-1-0, 1
at UTEP	11-47-0, 11	2-50-0, 44
at Wisconsin	9-46-0, 22	0-0-0
Hawaii	11-144-1, 57	1-8-0, 8
FIU	9-19-1, 5	0-0-0, 0
New Mexico	13-54-1, 37	1-1-0, 0
at UMass	7-23-0, 7	1-2-0, 0
Lamar	5-21-0, 9	1-30-1, 30
at Missouri	9-35-1, 12	0-0-0, 0
at Liberty	7-11-0, 8	1-39-1, 39
*Valparaiso	10-56-1, 23	1-6-0, 6

vs. Bowling Green 9-48-0, 13 2-18-1, 15

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 All-SEC Third Team (Coaches)
- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Strong-legged, homegrown placekicker who is the Vols' primary kickoff specialist for the third straight season
- Averages 63.0 yards per kickoff (172 for 10,842) with 135 touchbacks
- Has connected on three PATs and one field goal during his college career
- Two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member
- Played in 28 career games

2025

- Kicked off eight times with eight touchbacks in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), totaling 520 yards for an average of 65.0

2024

- Selected to the Coaches All-SEC Third Team in his second straight year as the starting kickoff specialist
- Participated in all 13 games
- Ranked second in the SEC and fifth in the FBS with 68 touchbacks and third in the SEC and eighth in the FBS in touchback percentage (82.9)
- Averaged 63.8 yards per kickoff, which ranked fourth in the SEC
- Seven of his 13 games had a 65.0 yard average
- Knocked three touchbacks on seven kickoffs for 422 yards at Vanderbilt (11/30)
- Booted nine touchbacks on nine kickoffs, totaling 585 yards vs. UTEP (11/23)
- Kicked off four times for 253 yards with three touchbacks at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Had seven kickoffs for 450 yards vs. Mississippi State (11/9), with six going for touchbacks
- Hit five kickoffs for 325 yards and three touchbacks vs. Kentucky (11/2)
- Totaled five touchbacks on five kickoffs in win vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), with his kickoffs traveling 325 yards
- Kicked off four times for 260 yards with four touchbacks vs. Florida (10/12)
- Kicked off six times for 390 yards with six touchbacks in road win at #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Set career highs with 11 kickoffs for 678 yards and eight touchbacks against Kent State (9/14)
- Kicked off nine times for 579 yards with eight touchbacks vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Kicked off eight times for 520 yards and eight touchbacks against Chattanooga (8/31), while also converting on two PAT attempts

NOTABLE

- Majoring in marketing
- Nickname is "Turbo"
- Mother is a UT graduate
- Earned Ray Guy Prokicker.com All-America honors and was tabbed a Mr. Football Kicker of the Year finalist after a strong senior season at Knoxville Catholic High School
- Two of his toes are conjoined
- Favorite movie is Step Brothers
- Favorite musical artist is Zach Bryan
- Favorite food is sushi
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CAREER HIGHS

Field Goals Made	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Field Goals Attempted	1 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Longest Field Goal	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Longest Attempt	33 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
PATs	2 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Points	4 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Kickoffs Attempted	11 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Kickoff Yards	678 vs. Kent State, 9/14/24
Touchbacks	9 vs. UTEP, 11/23/24

CAREER STATS

Kick	GP	FG	FGA	Pct.	PAT	Pts	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+	Lg
2022	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2023	13	1	1	100	1-1	4	-	1-1	-	-	33-CONN
2024	13	0	0	-	2-2	2	-	-	-	-	-
2025	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Career	28	1	1	100	3-3	6	-	1-1	-	-	33-CONN

Kickoffs	GP	No	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
2022	1	1	65	65.0	1	0
2023	13	81	5029	62.1	58	6
2024	13	82	5228	63.8	68	2
2025	1	8	520	65.0	8	0
Totals	28	172	10842	63.0	135	8

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Syracuse	0-0, 0-0

2025 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
vs. Syracuse	8-520-65.0, 8 tb

2024 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Chattanooga	0-0, 2-2, 2
vs. NC State	0-0, 0-0
Kent State	0-0, 0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0, 0-0
at Arkansas	0-0, 0-0
Florida	0-0, 0-0
Alabama	0-0, 0-0
Kentucky	0-0, 0-0
Mississippi State	0-0, 0-0
at Georgia	0-0, 0-0
UTEP	0-0, 0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0, 0-0
at Ohio State	0-0, 0-0

2024 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Chattanooga	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
vs. NC State	9-579-64.3, 8 tb
Kent State	11-678-61.6, 8 tb
at Oklahoma	6-390-65.0, 6 tb
at Arkansas	3-195-65.0, 3 tb
Florida	4-260-65.0, 4tb
Alabama	5-325-65.0, 5 tb
Kentucky	5-325-65.0, 3 tb
Mississippi State	7-450-64.3, 6 tb
at Georgia	4-253-63.3, 3 tb
UTEP	9-585-65.0, 9 tb
at Vanderbilt	7-422-60.3, 3 tb
at Ohio State	4-246-61.5, 2 tb

2023 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
vs. Virginia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Austin Peay	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Florida	0-0, 0-0, 0
UTSA	0-0, 0-0, 0
South Carolina	0-0, 0-0, 0
Texas A&M	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Alabama	0-0, 0-0, 0
at Kentucky	0-0, 0-0, 0
UConn	1-1 (33M), 1-1, 4 pts
at Missouri	0-0, 0-0, 0
Georgia	0-0, 0-0, 0
Vanderbilt	0-0, 0-0, 0
vs. Iowa	0-0, 0-0, 0

2023 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
vs. Virginia	8-489-61.1, 4 tb
Austin Peay	6-387-64.5, 5 tb
at Florida	4-260-65.0, 4 tb
UTSA	8-520-65.0, 8 tb
South Carolina	8-531-66.4, 6 tb
Texas A&M	5-325-65.0, 4 tb

at Alabama	5-260-52.0, 3 tb
at Kentucky	8-520-65.0, 7 tb
UConn	10-581-58.1, 5 tb
at Missouri	2-130-65.0, 2 tb
Georgia	2-123-61.5, 1 tb
Vanderbilt	9-556-61.8, 5 tb
vs. Iowa	6-347-57.8, 4 tb

2022 Opp.	FGs, PATs, Pts
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	0-0, 0-0, 0
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP

2022 Opp.	Kickoffs, YDs, AVG, TB
Ball State	DNP
Pittsburgh	DNP
Akron	DNP
Florida	DNP
LSU	DNP
Alabama	DNP
UT-Martin	1-65-65.0, 1 tb
Kentucky	DNP
Georgia	DNP
Missouri	DNP
South Carolina	DNP
Vanderbilt	DNP
Clemson	DNP



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Last name pronounced TUR-en-tine

CAREER

- Highly-touted Nashville native and starting safety who returned to his home state after spending his true freshman campaign at Ohio State
- An important leadership piece of the defense, entering his third year with the program and second as a starter
- Thrust into starting action during the final three games of 2023
- Enrolled at Tennessee in June 2022 after a solid 2022 spring at Ohio State
- Signed with the Buckeyes after a standout prep career at Ensworth School
- Totalled 71 tackles, four tackles for loss, two interceptions and six pass breakups
- Played in 42 career games (38 at UT, 4 at OSU) and has made 17 career starts (all at UT)

2025

- Collected five total tackles in season-opening victory over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- A veteran presence and starter at safety for all 13 games
- Tallied 37 tackles, 1.5 tackles for loss, one interception and three pass breakups
- Recorded three tackles in victory at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Made two tackles with one TFL in a shutout win over UTEP (11/23)
- Registered three tackles at #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Finished UT's win over Mississippi State (11/9) with four total tackles
- Had one interception, one PBU and one tackle in UT's 28-18 win over Kentucky (11/2)
- Made his 10th career start in victory vs. #7 Alabama (10/19), totaling four tackles

- Set a career-best with six tackles in win vs. Florida (10/12), including one half tackle for loss
- Notched four tackles on the road at Arkansas (10/5)
- Recorded five tackles with one PBU in road win over #15 Oklahoma (9/21)
- Had one PBU in Tennessee's shutout win over Kent State (9/14) as the defense held the Golden Flashes to just 112 yards of total offense
- Made his fifth start for the Vols in their 51-10 win over #24 NC State (9/7), registering one tackle
- Started at safety and made two total tackles in UT's season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Member of the 2025 Tennessee Football Leadership Council
- Was ranked the No. 4 overall player in the state of Tennessee by the 247Sports Composite and the No. 9 safety in the country
- Both 247Sports and Rivals ranked him among the top 200 overall prospects in America
- Has three brothers, Antonio Jr., James and Alijah, and one sister, Katche
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 vs. Florida, 10/12/24
Tackles for Loss	1.5 vs. UConn, 11/4/23
Interceptions	1 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, (11/2/24)
Passes Defended	2 (2x), last vs. Kentucky, (11/2/24)
QB Hurries	1 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	PD	Int	High Tk
2021*	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
2022	13/0	7	4	11	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	4-2x
2023	11/3	13	5	18	0-0	2.5-3	0	0	2	1	4-3x
2024	13/13	20	17	37	0-0	1.5-3	0	0	4	1	6-UF
2025	1/1	4	1	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	5-SU
at OSU	4/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
at UT	38/17	44	27	71	0-0	4-6	0	0	6	2	6-UF
Career	42/17	44	27	71	0-0	4-6	0	0	6	2	6-UF

* - at Ohio State

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*vs. Syracuse	4-1-5

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
*Chattanooga	1-1-2
*vs. NC State	1-0-1
*Kent State	0-0-0, 1 pd
*at Oklahoma	3-2-5, 1 pd
*at Arkansas	2-2-4
*Florida	2-4-6, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	2-2-4
*Kentucky	1-0-1, 2 pd, 1 int
*Mississippi State	2-2-4
*at Georgia	2-1-3
*UTEP	1-1-2, 1 tfl
*at Vanderbilt	1-2-3
*at Ohio State	2-0-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	1-0-1
Austin Peay	0-0-0
at Florida	DNP
UTSA	3-1-4, 1 qbh
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	DNP
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	1-3-4, 1.5 tfl
at Missouri	0-0-0
*Georgia	3-1-4, 1 tfl
*Vanderbilt	2-0-2
*vs. Iowa	3-0-3, 1 int, 2 pd

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	2-2-4
at Pitt	0-0-0
Akron	1-0-1
Florida	0-0-0
at LSU	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0

UT Martin	3-1-4
Kentucky	0-1-1
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	1-0-1
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

2021 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
at Minnesota	DNP
Oregon	DNP
Tulsa	DNP
Akron	0-0-0
at Rutgers	DNP
Maryland	0-0-0
at Indiana	DNP
Penn State	DNP
at Nebraska	DNP
Purdue	DNP
Michigan State	0-0-0
at Michigan	DNP
vs. Utah	0-0-0

* - denotes started



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Tall, long and athletic offensive lineman with a chance to earn a larger role in the offensive line rotation in 2025
- Saw an increased role on special teams and as a reserve offensive guard in 2024 after appearing in four games and redshirting as a true freshman in 2023
- Two-time Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll selection
- Early enrollee who arrived in December 2022 and participated in Orange Bowl practices and then spring practice
- Seen action in 147 snaps, allowing just five pressures
- Played in 15 career games with one start

2025

- Made his first-career start (at LG) in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), helping the Vols roll up 493 yards of total offense and 246 yards rushing

2024

- Appeared in 10 games as a reserve offensive lineman, playing 66 total offensive snaps at guard
- Was also a mainstay on UT's field goal/PAT unit
- Did not allow a pressure while playing 12 offensive snaps at guard in win over UTEP (11/23)
- Played nine snaps at guard without allowing a pressure in Homecoming win vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Played 16 snaps at guard in win against Kent State (9/14)
- Played six clean snaps late in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Saw action on a season-high 23 snaps in season-opening victory over Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in hospitality and tourism management with a minor in business administration
- Tabbed as a four-star recruit by 247Sports and ESPN
- Rated the No. 113 overall player in the nation and the No. 10 prospect in the state of Georgia by 247Sports
- Named a 2023 High School All-American by the All-American Bowl and was selected to play in the 2023 All-American Bowl at the Alamodome in San Antonio

- Held offers from more than 30 Division I programs
- Threw shot put for Denmark High's track and field team
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CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/1; 2024: 10/0; 2023: 4/0
Career: 15/1



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CAREER

- Talented, nimble defensive tackle prospect from the Midstate region
- Enrolled at Tennessee in January 2025, went through spring practice and is expected to make an impact in the defensive interior as a true freshman
- A consensus four-star prospect and top 200 player in the country for the 2025 recruiting cycle according to On3, 247Sports and ESPN
- A top 10 recruit from Tennessee by all services, rated as high as No. 2 in the state by ESPN
- The No. 10 defensive tackle and No. 153 overall prospect in the nation according to ESPN
- On3 tabbed him No. 201 nationally, No. 20 at his position and No. 5 in the Volunteer State
- Played in one career game

2025

- Made his Tennessee debut in season-opening win vs. Syracuse (8/30), playing 13 defensive snaps

NOTABLE

- Majoring in journalism and electronic media
- One of three finalists for the 2024 Tennessee Titans Mr. Football Award for class D2-AAA after leading Nashville's Ensworth School to an undefeated regular season and a playoff berth reaching the state semifinals to cap his high school career
- As a junior, racked up 35 tackles, seven tackles for loss and four forced fumbles
- Tabbed to The Tennessee's All-Midstate Large Class first-team defense in 2023
- Posted 25 tackles and 10 TFLs as a sophomore at Ensworth
- Multi-sport athlete who also played basketball and competed in track & field throwing events
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CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2025	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
Career	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0



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CAREER

- Defensive tackle in his second season with the Vols after transferring from Sierra College in Northern California
- Consensus three-star junior college prospect and rated among the top JUCO players in California by multiple outlets
- Played two seasons at Sierra, totaling 45 tackles, 11 tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks while helping the Wolverines reach the 2023 NorCal Junior College playoffs
- Earned 2023 NorCal All-State honors and All-NorCal Conference recognition after a standout sophomore season with 39 tackles, 10.5 TFLs, 3.5 sacks, two

forced fumbles, one fumble recovery and three pass breakups

- Enrolled at Tennessee in the summer of 2024
- Played in four career games at FBS level

2025

- Tallied two tackles in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), playing 22 defensive snaps

2024

- Saw action in three games during his debut season at Tennessee in 2024, recording three total tackles, including two in a shutout victory over Kent State
- Made Tennessee debut vs. Chattanooga (8/31), recording one tackle

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Favorite movie is Zombieland
- Favorite TV show is Martin
- Favorite food is pasta
- Favorite musical artist is Juice WRLD
- Has seven siblings
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CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 2 (2x), last vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2024	3/0	0	3	3	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-KSU
2025	1/0	2	0	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-SU
Career	4/0	2	3	5	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	2-2x

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	2-0-2

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-1-1
Kent State	0-2-2
UTEP	0-0-0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- Extremely talented offensive tackle prospect with great size and length as well as high-level physical tools
- Was a reserve tackle in his debut season who is poised for a bigger role within UT's offensive line unit in 2025
- Seen action on 40 offensive snaps
- Played in six career games

2025

- Played seven special teams snaps in the Vols' season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Played 40 offensive snaps and did not allow a pressure or commit a penalty
- Also blocked for Tennessee's field goal and PAT units
- Rounded out his rookie campaign in UT's CFP First Round matchup at #6 Ohio State (12/21) as a member of the FG/PAT unit
- Made SEC debut vs. Mississippi State (11/9)
- Saw action on 15 offensive snaps at right tackle vs. Kent State (9/14)
- Made collegiate debut in season opener vs. Chattanooga (8/31), playing a season-high 17 snaps at left tackle

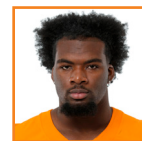
NOTABLE

- Majoring in kinesiology
- Rated a four-star recruit by all major recruiting services

- A consensus top-300 player nationally and a top-100 prospect according to ESPN (No. 73) and 247Sports (No. 80)
- Named a 2023 High School All-American and was invited to play in the 2024 All-American Bowl in San Antonio
- Also participated in the 2024 Polynesian Bowl in Honolulu
- Chose Tennessee over 31 other Division I offers, including eight SEC programs
- Played varsity basketball and was on the track and field team, throwing shot put and discus
- Favorite hobbies outside of football include detailing cars and cooking
- Enjoys eating any kind of pasta and salmon
- Favorite movie is Wolf of Wall Street
- Favorite musical artist is LUCKI
- X: @BenzWarren76 | IG: @bw76.x

CAREER STATS

Games Played/Started: 2025: 1/0; 2024: 5/0
Career: 6/0



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CAREER HONORS

- 2024 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll
- 2023 Fall SEC Academic Honor Roll

CAREER

- An athletic defensive lineman who is in his third season with the program in 2025
- Expected to be a major contributor as part of the defensive line rotation in 2025 and has tremendous potential
- A two-time SEC Academic Honor Roll member
- Played in 14 games

2025

- Posted a career-best six tackles in season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30), playing 45 defensive snaps

2024

- Saw action in all 13 games as a reserve on the defensive line and on special teams
- Tallied two total tackles on the year
- Recorded his first career tackle versus UTEP (11/23)
- Played a season-high 13 snaps on the defensive line against Kent State (9/14)
- Played six snaps along the defensive line in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7)
- Made his Tennessee debut in season opener against Chattanooga (8/31), playing eight snaps on the defensive line

NOTABLE

- Majoring in sport management
- A four-star prospect by On3
- Ranked as the No. 108 overall player in the country, the No. 13 rated defensive lineman and the No. 7 player in the state of Georgia by On3
- Helped lead New Manchester High School to consecutive Georgia Class 5A state playoff appearances during his sophomore and junior seasons, including a Region 6-5A title in 2020
- Finished his senior season with 61 total tackles, 16 tackles for loss and seven sacks
- X: @tw29_ | IG: @1flytye

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles 6 vs. Syracuse, 8/30/25

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2023											
2024	13/0	0	2	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	1-2x
2025	1/0	4	2	6	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6-SU
Career	14/0	4	4	8	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	6-SU

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	4-2-6
2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	0-0-0
vs. NC State	0-0-0
Kent State	0-0-0
at Oklahoma	0-0-0
at Arkansas	0-0-0
Florida	0-0-0
Alabama	0-0-0
Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	0-0-0
at Georgia	0-0-0
UTEP	0-1-1
at Vanderbilt	0-0-0
at Ohio State	0-1-1



TYRE WEST
DL • 6-3 • 290 • Sr.
Tifton, Ga.

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First name pronounced tie-REE

CAREER

- Veteran defensive lineman with a notable pass-rushing ability in his fourth and final season with the program
- Expected to be a key contributor in 2025 as one of the team's most experienced defensive linemen
- Has registered 42 total tackles, 13.0 tackles for loss of 62 yards, six sacks for a loss of 42 yards, one forced fumble and a safety
- Arrived at Tennessee in December 2021 after an elite prep career in Georgia
- Played in 37 career games with three starts

2025

- Played 14 snaps along the defensive line in the Vols' season-opening win over Syracuse (8/30)

2024

- Saw action in 12 games and made three starts along the defensive line, finishing the year with 16 total tackles and a career-high five tackles for loss to go along with two sacks and a forced fumble
- Made a pair of tackles in 13 snaps against #6 Ohio State (12/21) in the first round of the College Football Playoff
- Notched his first career safety in victory at Vanderbilt (11/30) in regular-season finale
- Recorded one stop against #12 Georgia (11/16)
- Made his second consecutive start in UT's 24-17 win over #7 Alabama (10/19), notching two total tackles
- Played in his 30th game as a Vol - making his first career start - against Florida (10/12), totaling a half tackle for loss in UT's overtime win
- Was strong for the Vols on the defensive line against #15 Oklahoma (9/21), totaling three tackles - one TFL - and a sack in the win
- Had another strong outing in win vs. #24 NC State (9/7), totaling three tackles with a half TFL
- Tallied two tackles for loss of 11 yards, one sack for a loss of eight yards and forced one fumble in UT's season-opening win vs. Chattanooga (8/31)

NOTABLE

- Majoring in communication studies
- Related to former NFL and current CFL player Larry Dean
- Rated a consensus four-star prospect by all major recruiting services
- Tabbed by Rivals as the No. 7 defensive lineman and No. 9 player from the state of Georgia for the class of 2022
- Member of the ESPN300 (No. 74 overall)
- Favorite movie is "Rush Hour"
- Favorite musical artist is Lil' Baby
- X: @Tyre_west95 | IG: uno.ree

CAREER HIGHS

Tackles	6 vs. UTSA, 9/23/23
Tackles for Loss	2.0 (3x), last vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Sacks	1.5 vs. Iowa, 1/1/24
QB Hurries	1 (6x), last at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24
Forced Fumbles	1 vs. Chattanooga, 8/31/24
Safety	1 at Vanderbilt, 11/30/24

CAREER STATS

Defense	GP/GS	UT	AT	TT	Sack	TFL	FF	FR	QBH	PD	High Tk
2022	11/0	7	2	9	2-13	5-20	0	0	4	0	2-3x
2023	13/0	7	10	17	2-17	3-19	0	0	0	0	6-UTSA
2024	12/3	8	8	16	2-12	5-23	1	0	2	0	3-2x
2025	1/0	0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	-
Career	37/3	22	20	42	6-42	13-62	1	0	6	0	6-UTSA

GAME-BY-GAME

2025 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Syracuse	0-0-0

2024 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Chattanooga	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s, 1 ff
vs. NC State	1-2-3, 0.5 tfl
Kent State	0-1-1
at Oklahoma	3-0-3, 1 tfl, 1 s
at Arkansas	0-0-0
*Florida	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
*Alabama	0-2-2
*Kentucky	0-0-0
Mississippi State	DNP - Injury
at Georgia	1-0-1
UTEP	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	1-0-1, 1 saf, 1 qbh
at Ohio State	0-2-2

2023 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
vs. Virginia	0-1-1, 0.5 tfl
Austin Peay	2-0-2
at Florida	0-0-0
UTSA	1-5-6
South Carolina	0-0-0
Texas A&M	0-0-0
at Alabama	0-0-0
at Kentucky	0-0-0
UConn	0-0-0
at Missouri	1-1-2
Georgia	0-0-0
Vanderbilt	0-2-2, 1 tfl, 0.5 s
vs. Iowa	3-1-4, 1.5 tfl, 1.5 s

2022 Opp.	U-A-T, Other
Ball State	1-0-1, 1 qbh
at Pitt	DNP
Akron	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 qbh
Florida	0-1-1
at LSU	1-0-1
Alabama	DNP
UT Martin	1-1-2, 1 tfl, 1 s, 1 qbh
Kentucky	0-0-0, 1 qbh
at Georgia	0-0-0
Missouri	0-0-0
at South Carolina	0-0-0
at Vanderbilt	2-0-2, 2 tfl, 1 s
vs. Clemson	0-0-0

* - denotes started

2025 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Exp.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
0	Ethan Davis	TE	R-SO	1L	6-5	245	Atlanta, Ga./Collins Hill
0	William Wright	DB	R-SR*	3L	6-0	198	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB	JR	2L	6-0	185	Trussville, Ala./Hewitt-Trussville
1	Travis Smith Jr.	WR	FR	HS	6-3	210	Atlanta, Ga./Westlake
2	Peyton Lewis	RB	SO	1L	6-1	212	Salem, Va./Salem
2	Andre Turrentine	DB	R-SR	3L	5-11	195	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth/Ohio State
3	Jermody McCoy	DB	JR	1L	6-0	193	Whitehouse, Texas/Whitehouse/Oregon State
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	TE	FR	HS	6-5	236	Southlake, Texas/Southlake Carroll
4	Mike Matthews	WR	SO	1L	6-1	200	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
4	Ty Redmond	DB	FR	HS	6-2	192	Alpharetta, Ga./Milton
4	Jourdan Thomas	DB	R-JR	2L	6-2	205	Montgomery, Ala./Montgomery Catholic Prep
5	Daevin Hobbs	DL	JR	2L	6-4	290	Concord, N.C./Jay M. Robinson
5	Radarious Jackson	WR	FR	HS	6-2	210	Memphis, Tenn./Sheffield
6	Joey Aguilar	QB	SR	TR	6-3	225	Antioch, Calif./Freedom/Diablo Valley CC/App State/UCLA
6	Jalen McMurray	DB	R-SR	1L	6-0	187	Upper Marlboro, Md./Gonzaga College HS/Temple
7	DaSaahn Brame	TE	FR	HS	6-4	230	Derby, Kan./Derby
7	Arion Carter	LB	JR	2L	6-1	235	Smyrna, Tenn./Smyrna
8	Colton Hood	DB	R-SO	TR	6-0	195	McDonough, Ga./Eagles Landing Christian/Auburn/Colorado
9	Mariyon Dye	DL	FR	HS	6-5	264	Elkhart, Ind./Elkhart
9	Star Thomas	RB	SR	TR	6-0	210	Homer, La./Homer/Coffeyville (Kan.) CC/NMSU/Duke
10	Kaleb Beasley	DB	SO	1L	6-1	200	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
11	Jordan Burns	LB	R-FR	RS	6-1	224	Conyers, Ga./Pace Academy
12	Jaedon Harmon	LB	FR	HS	6-0	215	Rome, Ga./Rome
12	Jake Merklinger	QB	R-FR	RS	6-3	215	Savannah, Ga./Calvary Day School
13	Mason Phillips	QB	FR	HS	6-1	180	Kodak, Tenn./Northview Academy
13	Edwin Spillman	LB	R-FR	1L	6-1	230	Nashville, Tenn./Lipscomb Academy
14	Braylon Staley	WR	R-FR	1L	6-0	190	Aiken, S.C./Strom Thurmond
15	Edrees Farooq	DB	SO	1L	6-0	200	Columbia, Md./Saint Frances Academy
15	George MacIntyre	QB	FR	HS	6-6	195	Franklin, Tenn./Brentwood Academy
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR	R-JR	1L	6-5	200	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy/Tulane
17	Ethan Utley	DL	FR	HS	6-4	285	Nashville, Tenn./Ensworth
18	DeSean Bishop	RB	R-SO	1L	5-10	208	Knoxville, Tenn./Karns
18	Tyree Weathersby	DL	R-SO	1L	6-5	265	Douglasville, Ga./New Manchester
19	Joshua Josephs	DL	SR	3L	6-3	240	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb
19	Daune Morris	RB	FR	HS	5-10	195	Chattanooga, Tenn./Oakland
20	Justin Baker	RB	FR	HS	5-10	211	Stone Mountain, Ga./Buford
20	Bryson Eason	DL	R-SR*	5L	6-3	315	Memphis, Tenn./Whitehaven
21	Tre Poteat	DB	FR	HS	6-0	190	Fitchburg, Wis./Verona Area
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB	JR	2L	6-2	235	Gainesville, Ga./Gainesville
23	Boo Carter	DB	SO	1L	5-11	200	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
24	Hunter Barnes	RB	R-JR	1L	6-0	196	Memphis, Tenn./Memphis School
25	Timothy Merritt	DB	FR	HS	6-1	185	Birmingham, Ala./Parker
26	Sidney Walton	DB	FR	HS	6-1	196	Moody, Ala./Moody
26	Carson Whitehead	WR	R-JR	1L	5-10	178	Powell, Tenn./Powell
27	Jadon Perlotte	LB	FR	HS	6-4	210	Buford, Ga./Buford
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	185	Chattanooga, Tenn./Bradley Central
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR	R-SO	SQ	6-4	203	Brentwood, Tenn./Ravenwood
29	Jordan Ross	DL	SO	1L	6-5	245	Vestavia Hills, Ala./Vestavia Hills
30	Jamal Wallace	DL	R-JR	SQ	6-3	313	Kansas City, Mo./Ruskin/Sierra College
31	Caleb Herring	DL	JR	2L	6-5	245	Newnan, Ga./Riverdale (Tenn.)
33	Ben Bolton	LB	R-JR	3L	6-3	233	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
34	Emmanuel Okoye	DL	R-SO	SQ	6-5	243	Lagos, Nigeria/NFL (UK) Academy
35	Carson Gentle	DL	R-FR	RS	6-3	256	Chattanooga, Tenn./McCallie School
35	Ben Petermann	WR	FR	HS	6-2	208	Chicago, Ill./Rolling Meadows
36	Dylan Lewis	DB	FR	HS	6-0	187	Atlanta, Ga./Milton
36	Nathan Roberts	WR	R-SO	SQ	6-4	214	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown-Hamblen East
37	Montrell Bandy	DB	R-SR	1L	6-3	194	Mount Juliet, Tenn./Mount Juliet
38	Andre Stewart	DB	R-JR	SQ	6-0	185	Kennesaw, Ga./North Cobb/Towson
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR	R-FR	RS	6-2	196	Parker, Colo./Ponderosa
39	Jayden Loftin	DL	FR	HS	6-4	255	Somerville, N.J./Somerville
40	Colin Brazzell	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	175	Midland, Texas/Midland Legacy
40	Seamus Meagher	TE	SR	HS	6-4	252	Piedmont, Calif./Piedmont
41	Steele Katina	DB	R-FR	RS	6-1	200	Thompson's Station, Tenn./Independence
42	Braylon Harmon	WR	R-FR	RS	5-9	185	Sevierville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
42	Tyre West	DL	SR	3L	6-3	290	Tifton, Ga./Tift County
43	Jackson Mathews	DB	R-FR	RS	6-0	192	Franklin, Tenn./Christ Presbyterian Academy
44	Christian Gass	DL	FR	HS	6-3	217	Covington, Ga./Eastside

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
6	Joey Aguilar	QB
71	Max Anderson	OL
55	Brenden Anes	LB
90	Dominic Bailey	DL
20	Justin Baker	RB
37	Montrell Bandy	DB
24	Hunter Barnes	RB
10	Kaleb Beasley	DB
89	Mike Bethea II	DL
18	DeSean Bishop	RB
33	Ben Bolton	LB
48	Bennett Brady	LS
7	DaSaahn Brame	TE
17	Chris Brazzell II	WR
40	Colin Brazzell	DB
11	Jordan Burns	LB
47	Isaiah Campbell	DL
7	Arion Carter	LB
23	Boo Carter	DB
93	Grady Dangerfield	PK
0	Ethan Davis	TE
89	Joakim Dodson	WR
9	Mariyon Dye	DL
20	Bryson Eason	DL
15	Edrees Farooq	DB
44	Christian Gass	DL
35	Carson Gentle	DL
1	Rickey Gibson III	DB
90	Max Gilbert	PK
78	Gage Ginther	OL
28	Marcus Goree Jr.	DB
73	Brian Grant	OL
58	Herb Gray	DL
88	Deon Hardin	WR
42	Braylon Harmon	WR
12	Jaedon Harmon	LB
86	Cole Harrison	TE
51	Jeremias Heard	OL
53	Lance Heard	OL
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL
31	Caleb Herring	DL
69	Gus Hill	OL
5	Daevin Hobbs	DL
8	Colton Hood	DB
99	Charles House III	DL
96	Isaiah Inge	DL
5	Radarious Jackson	WR
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	WR
81	Amari Jefferson	WR
19	Joshua Josephs	DL
41	Steele Katina	DB
39	Malcolm Kinzer	WR
87	Miles Kitselman	TE
65	Michael Kostantonov	OL
36	Dylan Lewis	DB
2	Peyton Lewis	RB
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL
39	Jayden Loftin	DL
15	George MacIntyre	QB
43	Jackson Mathews	DB
4	Mike Matthews	WR
3	Jermody McCoy	DB
6	Jalen McMurray	DB
40	Seamus Meagher	TE
12	Jake Merklinger	QB
25	Timothy Merritt	DB
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	OL

2025 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Cl.	Exp.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School/Previous School
47	Isaiah Campbell	DL	FR	HS	6-4	295	Durham, N.C./Southern Durham
47	John Rosen	LS	FR	HS	6-2	239	Morristown, Tenn./Morristown West
48	Bennett Brady	LS	R-JR	2L	6-1	210	Memphis, Tenn./Evangelical Christian
50	William Satterwhite	OL	R-FR	1L	6-3	305	Barberton, Ohio/Archbishop Hoban
50	Ryan Scott	LB	R-FR	RS	6-0	218	Knoxville, Tenn./West
51	Jeremias Heard	OL	R-FR	RS	6-8	333	Rome, Ga./Model
51	Jaxson Moi	DL	SR	1L	6-2	305	Oceanside, Calif./Cathedral Catholic/Stanford
53	Lance Heard	OL	JR	1L	6-6	330	Bonita, La./Neville/LSU
55	Brenden Anes	LB	FR	HS	6-2	223	Nolensville, Tenn./Page
55	Antoni Ogumoro	OL	FR	HS	6-4	320	Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands/Elgin (Okla.)
56	Kellen Lindstrom	DL	R-FR	1L	6-5	240	Springfield, Mo./Glendale
56	Sam Pendleton	OL	R-SO	TR	6-4	310	Lawsonville, N.C./Reagan/Notre Dame
57	Grier Short	LB	R-FR	RS	6-1	219	Franklin, Tenn./Ensworth
58	Herb Gray	DL	R-FR	RS	6-3	288	Upper Marlboro, Md./C.H. Flowers
58	Nic Moore	OL	FR	HS	6-3	315	Talbot, Tenn./Jefferson County
59	Charlie Powell III	OL	FR	HS	6-3	295	Cincinnati, Ohio/Archbishop Moeller
65	Michael Kostantonov	OL	R-FR	TR	6-4	320	Northbrook, Ill./Loyola Academy/Central Michigan
68	Bennett Warren	OL	R-FR	RS	6-7	325	Houston, Texas/Fort Bend Christian Academy
69	Gus Hill	OL	R-JR	SQ	6-4	300	Fayetteville, Tenn./Fayetteville
70	David Sanders Jr.	OL	FR	HS	6-6	305	Charlotte, N.C./Providence Day
71	Max Anderson	OL	R-FR	RS	6-5	311	Frisco, Texas/Reedy
72	Jesse Perry	OL	R-FR	1L	6-6	320	Murfreesboro, Tenn./Middle Tennessee Christian
73	Brian Grant	OL	R-JR	2L	6-7	325	Fort Walton Beach, Fla./Choctawhatchee
74	Shamurad Umarov	OL	R-SO	2L	6-7	330	Alpharetta, Ga./Denmark
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	OL	R-JR	TR	6-2	330	Long Beach, Calif./Long Beach Poly/Arizona
78	Gage Ginther	OL	R-FR	RS	6-5	311	Fort Collins, Colo./Fossil Ridge
81	Amari Jefferson	WR	R-FR	TR	6-0	207	Chattanooga, Tenn./Baylor School/Alabama
83	Trey Weary	WR	R-JR	SQ	6-2	185	Houston, Texas/Manvel
84	Tommy Winton III	WR	R-JR	1L	5-10	200	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic/ETSU
86	Cole Harrison	TE	R-FR	RS	6-5	238	San Mateo, Calif./Junipero Serra
87	Joshua Helsdon	DL	R-JR	1L	6-4	290	Cleveland, Tenn./Bradley Central
87	Miles Kitselman	TE	SR*	1L	6-5	255	Lyndon, Kan./Lyndon/Hutchinson (Kan.) CC/Alabama
88	Deon Hardin	WR	JR	JC	6-0	178	Biloxi, Miss./Biloxi/East Central (Miss.) CC
89	Mike Bethea II	DL	R-JR	SQ	6-1	215	Destin, Fla./Maryville/Maryville College
89	Joakim Dodson	WR	FR	HS	6-0	190	Memphis, Tenn./Baylor School
90	Dominic Bailey	DL	R-SR*	3L	6-3	292	Salisbury, Md./St. Frances Academy
90	Max Gilbert	PK	R-SO	2L	6-0	200	Memphis, Tenn./Lausanne Collegiate School
93	Grady Dangerfield	PK	FR	HS	6-0	220	Charleston, S.C./James Island Charter
94	Nathan Robinson	DL	R-SO	1L	6-6	300	Greenbrier, Tenn./Greenbrier
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK	R-JR	2L	6-2	200	Knoxville, Tenn./Knoxville Catholic
96	Isaiah Inge	DL	R-FR	RS	6-1	292	Fresno, Calif./Buchanan
97	Josh Schell	DL	R-JR	TR	6-4	265	Mt. Pleasant, Mich./Mt. Pleasant/Grand Valley State
98	Jackson Ross	P	R-JR	2L	6-4	205	Melbourne, Australia/Haileybury College
99	Charles House III	DL	FR	HS	6-3	295	Charlotte, N.C./North Mecklenburg

* - denotes "super" senior

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

2	Andre Turrentine	TUR-en-tine
3	Jermody McCoy	JUR-mahd
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	Van DOAR-suh-lair
5	Daevin Hobbs	DAY-vin
5	Radarius Jackson	RUH-dair-ee-us
6	Joey Aguilar	AG-uh-lar
7	DaSaahn Brame	duh-SAHN BRAIM
7	Arion Carter	air-EE-on
9	Mariyon Dye	MAIR-ee-uhn
12	Jaedon Harmon	JAY-din
12	Jake Merklinger	MURK-ling-ur
15	Edrees Farooq	EE-dreez fuh-RUKE
17	Chris Brazzell II	BRAZ-ull
19	Daune Morris	duh-WAN
21	Tre Poteat	poh-TEET
22	Jeremiah Telander	TEE-lan-dur
27	Jadon Perlotte	PUR-lah-tee
29	Jack-Henry Jakobik	juh-KOE-bick

34	Emmanuel Okoye	oh-KOY-ay
40	Colin Brazzell	BRAZ-ull
40	Seamus Meagher	SHAY-mus MAR
42	Tyre West	tie-REE
44	Christian Gass	GAS
51	Jaxson Moi	MOY (rhymes with boy)
55	Brenden Anes	AINS
55	Antoni Ogumoro	AN-tuh-nee OH-goo-mo-row
65	Michael Kostantonov	KOZZ-tan-toe-nov
74	Shamurad Umarov	oo-MAH-rawf (goes by Sham)
75	Wendell Moe Jr.	MOY (rhymes with boy)
87	Miles Kitselman	KITS-ull-min
89	Joakim Dodson	JOE-kim

Coaches

Offensive Coordinator/QBs	Joey Halzle	HALLS-lee
Tight Ends	Alec Abeln	ABE-lin

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.
51	Jaxson Moi	DL
58	Nic Moore	OL
19	Daune Morris	RB
55	Antoni Ogumoro	OL
34	Emmanuel Okoye	DL
56	Sam Pendleton	OL
27	Jadon Perlotte	LB
72	Jesse Perry	OL
35	Ben Petermann	WR
13	Mason Phillips	QB
21	Tre Poteat	DB
59	Charlie Powell III	OL
4	Ty Redmond	DB
36	Nathan Roberts	WR
94	Nathan Robinson	DL
47	John Rosen	LS
98	Jackson Ross	P
29	Jordan Ross	DL
70	David Sanders Jr.	OL
50	William Satterwhite	OL
97	Josh Schell	DL
50	Ryan Scott	LB
57	Grier Short	LB
1	Travis Smith Jr.	WR
13	Edwin Spillman	LB
14	Braylon Staley	WR
38	Andre Stewart	DB
22	Jeremiah Telander	LB
4	Jordan Thomas	DB
9	Star Thomas	RB
94	Josh Turbyville	P/PK
2	Andre Turrentine	DB
74	Shamurad Umarov	OL
17	Ethan Utley	DL
3	Jack Van Dorselaer	TE
30	Jamal Wallace	DL
26	Sidney Walton	DB
68	Bennett Warren	OL
83	Trey Weary	WR
18	Tyree Weathersby	DL
42	Tyre West	DL
26	Carson Whitehead	WR
84	Tommy Winton III	WR
0	William Wright	DB

