

2017 Ohio State Buckeyes football team

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The **2017 Ohio State Buckeyes football team** represented Ohio State University during the 2017 NCAA Division I FBS football season. The Buckeyes played their home games at Ohio Stadium in Columbus, Ohio. It was the Buckeyes' 128th overall, the 105th as a member of the Big Ten Conference, and fourth as a member of the Eastern Division. They were led by Urban Meyer, who was in his 6th season as head coach at the school.

Coming off a College Football Playoff appearance in 2016, the Buckeyes began the year ranked second in the preseason AP Poll and were the overwhelming favorites to win the Big Ten. [1] In the second game of the year, they suffered their first loss at the hands of No. 5 Oklahoma in Columbus, whom Ohio State had beaten on the road the previous year. Ohio State won their following six games, including a 39–38 victory over No. 2 Penn State, but lost in a blowout on the road to Iowa the following week. The Buckeyes won their remaining regular season games and earned a spot in the 2017 Big Ten Championship Game by winning the East Division with an 8-1 conference record. They defeated previously-undefeated No. 3 Wisconsin in that game 27–21 to win the Big Ten title. The Buckeyes were passed up for the final spot in the College Football Playoff in favor of Alabama, and instead received an invitation to the Cotton Bowl. They defeated USC in that bowl to end the season at 12-2 and ranked fifth in the final polls.

Ohio State was led on offense by quarterback J.T. Barrett, who was named first-team All-Big Ten. Barrett was both a passing and a running threat, finishing with 3,053 yards and a Big Ten-leading 35 touchdowns through the air, and 798 yards and 12 touchdowns on the ground. His 47 total touchdowns were second in FBS behind Baker Mayfield. [2] Freshman running back J. K. Dobbins finished second in the Big Ten with 1,403 rushing yards. Center Billy Price was a consensus first-team All-American, as was cornerback Denzel Ward.

Spring Game

The 2017 LiFE Sports Spring Game took place in Columbus Ohio at 12:30 pm $^{[3]}$ on April 15, 2017.[4]

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2017 Big Ten Conferen	ce football st	andings
	Conf	Overall
<u>Team</u>	W L	W L
East Division		
No. 5 Ohio State xy\$	8 - 1	12 – 2
No. 15 Michigan State	7 – 2	10 - 3
No. 8 Penn State	7 – 2	11 - 2
Michigan	5 – 4	8 - 5
Rutgers	3 – 6	4 - 8
<u>Indiana</u>	2 - 7	5 - 7
Maryland	2 – 7	4 - 8
West Division		
No. 7 Wisconsin xy	9 - 0	13 - 1
No. 17 Northwestern	7 – 2	10 - 3
Iowa	4 – 5	8 - 5
Purdue	4 – 5	7 – 6
Nebraska	3 - 6	4 - 8
Minnesota	2 – 7	5 - 7
Illinois	0 - 9	2 - 10
Championship: Ohio St	ate 27, Wisco	nsin 21
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- \$ Conference champion
- x Division champion/co-champions
- y Championship game participant

Rankings from AP Poll

D	ate	Time	Spring Game	Site	TV	Result	Attendance
Ap	ril 15	12:30 pm	Scarlet vs. Gray	Ohio Stadium • Columbus, OH	BTN	Scarlet 38–31	80,000

Recruiting

Position key

Back	В	Center	С	Cornerback	СВ	Defensive back	DB
Defensive end	DE	Defensive lineman	DL	Defensive tackle	DT	End	E
Fullback	FB	Guard	G	Halfback	НВ	Kicker	K
Kickoff returner	KR	Offensive tackle	ОТ	Offensive lineman	OL	Linebacker	LB
Long snapper	LS	Punter	Р	Punt returner	PR	Quarterback	QB
Running back	RB	Safety	s	Tight end	TE	Wide receiver	WR

Recruits

The Buckeyes signed a total of 21 recruits.

		College recruit	ing information ((2017)		
Name	Hometown	High scho	ool / college	Height	Weight	Commit date
Shaun Wade	Jacksonville, Florida	Trinity Chris	tian Academy	6 ft 1 in (1.85 m)	177 lb (80 kg)	Jan 12, 2015
СВ	Star ratings: Sc	out: ***	Rivals: ***	★ 247Sports: ★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Josh Myers	Miamisburg, Ohio	Miamis	burg HS	6 ft 6 in (1.98 m)	306 lb (139 kg)	Jan 25, 2015
OĞ	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★	Rivals: ***	★ 247Sports:★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Marcus Williamson	Westerville, Ohio	IMG A	cademy	5 ft 9 in (1.75 m)	180 lb (82 kg)	Apr 18, 2015
СВ	Star ratings: Sc	out: ****	Rivals: ***		±± ESPN:±±	***
Jerron Cage	Cincinnati, Ohio	Winton \	Woods HS	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)	282 lb (128 kg)	Jul 21, 2015
DT	Star ratings: Sc	out: ***	Rivals: **	± 247Sports: ★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Blake Haubeil	Buffalo, New York	Canis	sius HS	6 ft 3 in (1.91 m)	200 lb (91 kg)	Jul 25, 2015
K	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★★	Rivals: **	± 247Sports: ★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Isaiah Pryor	Lawrenceville, Georgia	IMG A	cademy	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)	195 lb (88 kg)	Jul 27, 2015
S	Star ratings: Sc	out: ***	Rivals: ***	★ 247Sports:★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Brendon White	Powell, Ohio	Olentangy	/ Liberty HS	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)	200 lb (91 kg)	Oct 2, 2015
WR	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★	Rivals: **	<u>★ 247Sports:</u> <u>★</u> ★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Haskell Garrett	Las Vegas, Nevada	Bishop G	Forman HS	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)	288 lb (131 kg)	Feb 9, 2016
DT	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★	Rivals: **	<u></u>	★★ ESPN:★★	***
J. K. Dobbins	La Grange, Texas	La Gra	ange HS	5 ft 10 in (1.78 m)	201 lb (91 kg)	Mar 6, 2016
RB	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★	Rivals: ★★★★	<u></u> <u>247Sports:</u> ★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Tate Martell	Las Vegas, Nevada	Bishop G	Forman HS	5 ft 11 in (1.80 m)	203 lb (92 kg)	Jun 12, 2016
QB	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★★	Rivals:★★★★	★ 247Sports:★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Wyatt Davis	Bellflower, California	St. John	Bosco HS	6 ft 5 in (1.96 m)	310 lb (140 kg)	Jun 24, 2016
OG	Star ratings: Sc	out: ****	Rivals: **		★★ ESPN:★★	***
Chase Young	Hyattsville, Maryland	DeMatha	Catholic HS	6 ft 5 in (1.96 m)	251 lb (114 kg)	Jul 22, 2016
DE	Star ratings: Sc	out: ****	Rivals: ★★★★		±± ESPN:±±	***
Amir Riep	Cincinnati, Ohio	Coler	ain HS	5 ft 11 in (1.80 m)	185 lb (84 kg)	Jul 23, 2016
CB	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★ ★	Rivals:★★★★	247Sports:★★★ ★ 247Sports:★★★	·★★ ESPN:★★	***
Trevon Grimes	Fort Lauderdale, Florida	St. Thomas	Aquinas HS	6 ft 3 in (1.91 m)	202 lb (92 kg)	Aug 22, 2016
WR	Star ratings: Sc	out: ★★★★	Rivals: ★★★★	± 247Sports:★★★	★★ ESPN:★★	***
Baron Browning	Kennedale, Texas	Kenne	dale HS	6 ft 2 in (1.88 m)	229 lb (104 kg)	Dec 1, 2016
LB	Star ratings: Sc	out: ****	Rivals: **		*★★ ESPN:★★	***
Pete Werner	Indianapolis, Indiana	Cathe	dral HS	6 ft 3 in (1.91 m)	220 lb (100 kg)	Dec 11, 2016
LB	Star ratings: Sc	out:★★★★★	Rivals: **		*★★ ESPN:★★	***
Jeffrey Okudah	Grand Prairie, Texas		nd Prairie HS	6 ft 1 in (1.85 m)	190 lb (86 kg)	Jan 7, 2017
S S	Star ratings: Sc	out: ****	Rivals: **	★ 247Sports:★★★	*★★ ESPN:★★	***
Kendall Sheffield	Missouri City, Texas		College	6 ft 0 in (1.83 m)	185 lb (84 kg)	Jan 10, 2017
CB			Rivals: **	, ,	, ,	
Jaylan Harris	Cleveland, Ohio		Heights HS	6 ft 5 in (1.96 m)	210 lb (95 kg)	Jan 13, 2017
Jaylen Harris <i>WR</i>			Rivals: *	, ,		·
Elitale Canalina and	Kemp, Texas		np HS	6 ft 5 in (1.96 m)	185 lb (84 kg)	Jan 30, 2017
Elijah Gardiner <i>WR</i>			Rivals:★★★★	, ,		
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Thayer Munford OT	Massillon, Ohio	Washington HS (Massillon, OH)	6 ft 6 in (1.98 m) 325 lb (147 kg) Feb 1, 2017				
01	Star ratings: So	cout: $\star\star\star\star\star$ Rivals: $\star\star\star\star\star$	★ 247Sports: ★★★	r★★ ESPN:★★	r**		

Overall recruiting rankings:

Note: In many cases, Scout, Rivals, 247Sports, and ESPN may conflict in their listings of height and weight. In these cases, the average was taken. ESPN grades are on a 100-point scale.

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Schedule

The Buckeyes' 2017 schedule consisted of seven home games and 5 away games. Ohio State hosted all three of its non-conference games; against <u>Oklahoma</u> of the <u>Big 12</u>, against independent <u>Army</u>, and against <u>UNLV</u> of the <u>Mountain West</u>.

The Buckeyes played nine conference games; they hosted <u>Maryland</u>, <u>Penn State</u>, <u>Michigan State</u>, and <u>Illinois</u>. They traveled to <u>Indiana</u>, Rutgers, Nebraska, Iowa, and rival Michigan.

Date	Time	Opponent	Rank	Site	TV	Result	Attendance
August 31	8:00 p.m.	at <u>Indiana</u>	No. 2	Memorial Stadium • Bloomington, IN	ESPN ¹	W 49–21	52,929
September 9	7:30 p.m.	No. 5 <u>Oklahoma</u> *	No. 2	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH	ABC	L 16–31	109,088
September 16	4:30 p.m.	Army*	No. 8	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH	FOX	W 38–7	108,414
September 23	12:00 p.m.	UNLV*	No. 10	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH	BTN	W 54–21	106,187
September 30	7:30 p.m.	at <u>Rutgers</u>	No. 11	High Point Solutions Stadium • Piscataway, NJ	BTN	W 56–0	46,328
October 7	4:00 p.m.	Maryland [†]	No. 10	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH	FOX	W 62–14	107,180
October 14	7:30 p.m.	at <u>Nebraska</u>	No. 9	Memorial Stadium · Lincoln, NE	FS1	W 56–14	89,346
October 28	3:30 p.m.	No. 2 Penn State	No. 6	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH (rivalry)	FOX	W 39–38	109,302
November 4	3:30 p.m.	at <u>lowa</u>	No. 3	Kinnick Stadium · Iowa City, IA	ESPN	L 24–55	67,669
November 11	12:00 p.m.	No. 13 Michigan State	No. 11	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH (rivalry)	FOX	W 48–3	107,011
November 18	3:30 p.m.	Illinois	No. 8	Ohio Stadium · Columbus, OH (Rivalry)	ABC	W 52–14	105,282
November 25	12:00 p.m.	at Michigan	No. 8	Michigan Stadium · Ann Arbor, MI (The Game)	FOX	W 31–20	112,028
December 2	8:00 p.m.	vs. No. 3 Wisconsin	No. 8	Lucas Oil Stadium • Indianapolis, IN (Big Ten Championship)	FOX	W 27–21	65,886
December 29	8:30 p.m.	vs. No. 8 <u>USC</u> *	No. 5	AT&T Stadium · Arlington, TX (Cotton Bowl Classic)	ESPN	W 24–7	67,510
*Non-conference g	ame . †Homeco	oming · Rankings from AP Pol	l released p	prior to the game · All times are in Eastern	n time		

■ Sources:[5]

■ 1 – ESPN's College GameDay was held in Bloomington for the first time in the show's broadcast history. [6]

Rankings

Ranking movements

Legend: Increase in ranking Decrease in ranking

() = First-place votes

		Week														
Poll	Pre	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Final
AP	2 (4)	2 (1)	8	10	11	10	9	6	6	3	11	8	8	8	5	5
Coaches	2 (5)	2 (2)	9	9	9	9	8	6	6	3	11	8	8	7	5	5
CFP		Not released								6	13	9	9	8	5	Not released

Game summaries

at Indiana

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
73–12–5	2017	W 49–21

The No. 2 Ohio State Buckeyes went on the road for their first game of the season, a conference game against the <u>Indiana Hoosiers</u> at <u>Memorial Stadium</u> in <u>Bloomington</u>, <u>Indiana</u>. This marked the first time that the Buckeyes opened a season on the road since their 42–24 victory over <u>Virginia Tech</u> in <u>2015</u> and their first time opening with a <u>Big Ten</u> opponent since <u>1976</u> when they defeated Michigan State 49–21.

Ohio State began the game well, driving the ball 66 yards on 11 plays, but were stalled in the redzone, settling for a Sean Nuernberger field goal to take an early 3–0 lead. The Hoosiers answered with an 87-yard drive that was capped with an 18-

No. 2 Ohio State at Indiana

•	Date: August 31,		1	2	3	4	Total
	2017	• No. 2 Ohio State	3	10	22	14	49
•	Location: Memorial Stadium	Indiana	7	7	7	0	21

■ Game start: 8:00 p.m. <u>EDT</u>

Elapsed time: 3:34

Bloomington, IN

Game attendance: 52,929Game weather: Partly Cloudy

Referee: Daniel Capron

• TV announcers (ESPN): Dave Flemming (Play-By-Play), Kirk Herbstreit

(Color), <u>Laura Rutledge</u> (Sideline)

yard touchdown pass from Richard Lagow to tight end Ian Thomas to take a four-point lead. The teams continued to trade punts until the second quarter when the Buckeyes' Jordan Fuller intercepted an Indiana pass in the endzone. Ohio State mounted a 58-yard drive that ended came up short at Indiana two-yard line that resulted in another Nuernberger field goal to bring the score to 7–6. Each team would score on touchdown drives of more than 75 yards on the next two possessions to give the Hoosiers a 14–13 lead at halftime.

The third quarter started off looking like it would continue to be a back-and-forth game as the teams again traded touchdowns, but the Buckeye passing offense, led by <u>J. T. Barrett</u>, threw touchdown passes to Parris Campbell for 74 yards and to Johnnie Dixon for 54 yard to give the Buckeyes a 35–21 lead. The Buckeye defense took over from there turning the Hoosiers over two times, each resulting in an Ohio State touchdown. The Buckeyes held on for the win, 49–21.

Two Buckeye records were set during the game: J.K. Dobbins broke Maurice Clarett's 2002 debut rushing performance of 175 yards by amassing 181 yards on the ground, and J. T. Barrett also moved onto the list of the most career offensive yards by a Buckeye with his 365-yard performance. Barrett was named co-Offensive Big Ten Player of the Week for the seventh time in his career and Dobbins was named Big Ten Freshman of the Week for their performances in week one.

Game Statistics^[10]

Statistic	osu	IU
Total Yards	596	437
Passing Yards	304	420
Rushing Yards	292	17
Penalties	5–50	5–33
Turnovers	0	3
Time of Possession	31:50	28:10

Statistic	osu	IU
Passing	J. T. Barrett (304)	Richard Lagow (410)
Rushing	J.K. Dobbins (181)	Morgan Ellison (24)
Receiving	Parris Campbell (136)	Simmie Cobbs Jr. (149)

No. 5 Oklahoma

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
2–2	2017	L 31–16

The No. 2 Ohio State Buckeyes welcomed the No. 5 Oklahoma Sooners to Ohio Stadium in Columbus, Ohio in a top five match-up. College GameDay made their record 16th visit to Ohio State's campus and Ohio State's 39th appearance overall, which was their fourth consecutive. This was the fourth match-up between the historic programs.

During the first quarter, the Sooners moved the ball well by pushing into Buckeye territory on all three opening drives, but they failed to capitalize due to a two fumbles and a failed fourth down conversion. The Buckeyes, on the other hand, began the game with two consecutive punts which resulted with the game scoreless at the end of the first. The first score

No. 5 Oklahoma at No. 2 Ohio State

Date: September		1	2	3	4	Total
9, 2017	• No. 5 Oklahoma	0	3	14	14	31
Location: Ohio Stadium	No. 2 Ohio State	0	3	10	3	16

• Game start: 7:30 p.m. EDT

Elapsed time: 3:31

Columbus, OH

Game attendance: 109,088
Game weather: Partly Cloudy

Referee: Mike Defee

■ TV announcers (ABC): Chris Fowler (Play-By-Play), Kirk Herbstreit

(Color), Maria Taylor (Sideline)

came at 11:11 in the second with a 24-yard Sean Nuernberger field goal after the Buckeyes failed to convert inside of the redzone. Eight plays later, Oklahoma again failed to capitalize in Ohio State territory, this time missing a 37-yard field goal. Following a punt by the Buckeyes, Oklahoma was able to mount a 55-yard drive to kick a 35-yard field goal to tie the game 3–3 at the half.

The Buckeyes came out of the gates strong behind a 56-yard Parris Campbell kickoff return capped by 6-yard J.K. Dobbins touchdown, giving the Buckeyes a 10–3 lead. But, 1:47 seconds later, <u>Baker Mayfield</u> and the Oklahoma Sooners stuck back on a 36-yard <u>Dimitri Flowers</u> touchdown reception to tie the game at 10. Ohio State would never find the endzone again and would settle for two more Nuernberger field goals. However, Mayfield would lead the Sooners as he threw for 386 yards and three touchdowns in piling up the yards in the second half as the Buckeyes' offense struggled. A touchdown run by Jordan Smallwood capped the Sooner scoring as the Sooners won 31–16. Following the game, Mayfield planted the school's flag at mid-field while the team danced in celebration on the Ohio State logo. Mayfield would later apologize for the incident.

Ohio State (1–1, 1–0) would fall to No. 8 in the AP poll, while Oklahoma (2–0) would rise to No. 2.

Game Statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	OU
Total Yards	350	490
Passing Yards	183	386
Rushing Yards	167	104
Penalties	9–87	3–26
Turnovers	1	2
Time of Possession	24:43	35:17

Statistic	osu	ου
Passing	J. T. Barrett (183)	Baker Mayfield (386)
Rushing	J.K. Dobbins (72)	Terry Sermon (62)
Receiving	K.J. Hill (44)	Dimitri Flowers (98)

Army

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
1–0	2017	W 38–7

The No. 8 Ohio State Buckeyes (1–1, 1–0) took on the <u>Army Black Knights</u> (2–0) at Ohio Stadium in Columbus, Ohio. This was the Buckeyes first-ever match-up against the Black Knights and the seventh match-up against a military academy. Ohio State is 5–1 all-time against the other two major military academies with the most recent win coming in <u>2014</u> against <u>Navy</u> and the only loss coming in <u>1990</u> against <u>Air Force</u>. A week after seemingly nothing went right in a prime-time loss to <u>Oklahoma</u>, Ohio State couldn't have scripted a better start in its bounce-back attempt against Army. The Buckeyes purred on their first two drives, covering 75 and then 94 yards, to race to a 14–0 lead. Army limited the Buckeyes to one possession in the second quarter and outscored OSU to draw to 17–7.

Army at No. 8 Ohio State

Date: September			1	2	3	4	Total
	16, 2017	Army	0	7	0	0	7
•	Location: Ohio Stadium	• No. 8 Ohio State	14	3	14	7	38
	Columbus, OH						

■ Game start: 4:30 p.m. EDT

Elapsed time: 3:04

Game attendance: 108,414
Game weather: Partly Cloudy

Referee: Mark Kluczynski

■ TV announcers (FOX): <u>Joe Davis</u> (Play-By-Play), <u>Brady Quinn</u> (Color),

Bruce Feldman (Sideline)

Army started the quarter with an 11-play drive that ended when Blake Wilson missed a 43-yard field-goal attempt. Finally getting the ball back in the second half, the Buckeyes wasted little time taking it to the end zone. J. K. Dobbins ripped off a 22-yard run on first down from the 26, then went 52 yards on a run around left end, a play in which the freshman juked Army cornerback Mike Reynolds almost into the ground. That made the score 24–7, and after Kendall Sheffield recovered a fumbled snap on Army's next drive, OSU went to the air to increase its lead. J.T. Barrett completed all three of his passes on the next drive, including a 31-yarder across the middle to tight end Marcus Baugh to move the ball to the 22. Two plays later, Barrett threw a fastball strike to Terry McLaurin, who headed downfield until he found an open spot in the end zone. With a 31–7 lead, the Buckeyes forced a three-and-out but couldn't put the game away and punted from inside Army territory late in the quarter. The Buckeyes were winning big on the scoreboard, and that continued to the end. J.T. Barrett's 9-yard touchdown pass to Austin Mack, which gave the senior quarterback the Big Ten record by accounting for his 107th career touchdown. Another three-and-out gave OSU the ball back with 4:36 remaining, and backup QB Dwayne Haskins Jr. guided the offense 72 yards before the time arrived for victory formation.

Game Statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	Army
Total Yards	586	278
Passing Yards	316	19
Rushing Yards	270	259
Penalties	5–55	2–22
Turnovers	0	1
Time of Possession	23:03	36:57

Statistic	osu	Army
Passing	J. T. Barrett (270)	Ahmad Bradshaw (19)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (172)	Darnell Woolfolk (74)
Receiving	K.J. Hill (74)	Kell Walker (10)

UNLV

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
1–0	2017	W 54–21

The No. 10 Ohio State Buckeyes improved to 3–1 with a 54–21 win at Ohio Stadium over the UNLV Rebels, who fell to 1–2. The Buckeyes were led by quarterback J. T. Barrett, who threw 12 completions for 209 yards for 5 touchdowns in just one half before being replaced by Dwayne Haskins who threw for 228 yards and two touchdowns, but tarnished by one interception that was thrown for a Rebel touchdown. The Buckeye receivers accumulated seven touchdowns by seven different receivers, which is a Big Ten record. The Rebels' highlights came on an 11-play, 83 yard drive at the end of the second quarter, a 55-yard Lexington Thomas run in the third quarter and a 65-yard interception return for a touchdown by Javin White in the fourth.

Game statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	UNLV
Total yards	664	264
Passing yards	474	88
Rushing yards	190	176
Penalties	8–85	4–30
Turnovers	3	2
Time of possession	26:48	33:12

Game leaders

Statistic	osu	UNLV
Passing	Dwayne Haskins (228)	Armani Rogers (88)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (95)	Lexington Thomas (84)
Receiving	Parris Campbell (105)	Devonte Boyd (48)

at Rutgers

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
4–0	2017	W 56–0

The No. 11 Ohio State Buckeyes (4–1, 2–0) shut out divisional foe the Rutgers Scarlet Knights (1–4, 0–2) by a score of 56–0. This was the second consecutive year that the Buckeye's shut out the Scarlet Knights. In their four match-ups, the Buckeyes have outscored Rutgers by a score of 219–24. Ohio State was once again led by J. T. Barrett who became Ohio State's all-

UNLV at No. 10 Ohio State

Date: September		1	2	3	4	Total
23, 2017	UNLV	0	7	7	7	21
Location:Ohio Stadium	• No. 10 Ohio State	16	28	10	0	54
Columbus, OH						

• Game start: 12:00 p.m. EDT

• Elapsed time: 3:17

Stadium

Piscataway, NJ

Game attendance: 106,187Game weather: Clear

• Referee: Ron Snodgrass

■ TV announcers (BTN): Kevin Kugler (Play-By-Play), Matt Millen (Color),

and Lisa Byington (Sideline)

No. 11 Ohio State at Rutgers

Date: September		1	2	3	4	Total
30, 2017	• No. 11 Ohio State	7	28	7	14	56
Location:High Point	Rutgers	0	0	0	0	0
Solutions						

time leading passer by throwing for 275 yards and 3 touchdowns. Mike Weber, who had been injured, scored his first three touchdowns of the year, capping off three 60+ yard drives. Additionally, Johnnie Dixon was on the receiving end of two of Barrett's passes and ended the day with 115 yards. Demario McCall had 138 all-purpose yards including a 48-yard touchdown run and a 35-yard touchdown pass from backup quarterback Dwayne Haskins. All but one of Rutgers' possessions ended in a punt or a turnover with the exception of a missed 32-yard field goal with 43 seconds left in the game.

Game Statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	RU
Total Yards	628	209
Passing Yards	342	92
Rushing Yards	286	117
Penalties	10–106	10–80
Turnovers	0	2
Time of Possession	24:34	35:26

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	RU
Passing	J.T. Barrett (275)	Kyle Bolin (56)
Rushing	Demario McCall (103)	Gus Edwards (43)
Receiving	Johnnie Dixon (115)	Robert Martin (36)

Maryland

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
4–0	2017	W 62–14

The No. 10 Ohio State Buckeyes (5–1, 3–0) defeated the Maryland Terrapins (3–2, 1–1) in a Big Ten East match-up. This was Ohio State's Homecoming game. The Buckeyes have continued their undefeated streak over the Terrapins by winning by an average of 39 points.

The heavily favored Buckeyes began the game with a 9-play, 70-yard drive, capped by a 1-yard J. T. Barrett touchdown run. On the Terrapins first drive, Quarterback Max Bortenschlager, was hit from behind by DE Nick Bosa and fumbled the ball which was returned by LB Jerome Baker for a 20-yard touchdown to give the Buckeyes an early 14–0 lead. The Buckeyes' special teams woes began on the ensuing kickoff

■ Game start: 7:30 p.m. EDT

■ Elapsed time: 3:28

Game attendance: 46,328Game weather: Mostly Cloudy

• Referee: Don Willard

TV announcers (BTN): Kevin Kugler (Play-By-Play), Matt Millen (Color),

and Lisa Byington (Sideline)

Maryland at No. 10 Ohio State

■ Date: October 7,		1	2	3	4	Total
2017	Maryland	7	0	0	7	14
Location:Ohio Stadium	• No. 10 Ohio State	20	21	14	7	62
Columbus, OH						

• Game start: 4:00 p.m. EDT

Elapsed time: 3:29

Game attendance: 107,180
Game weather: Partly Cloudy

Referee: Jerry McGinn

■ TV announcers (FOX): Gus Johnson (Play-By-Play), Joel Klatt (Color)

and Jenny Taft (Sideline)

which was returned for a 100-yard touchdown by Ty Johnson to cut the Ohio State lead to 7. But, the Ohio State offense answered again by scoring an 8-yard touchdown pass from Barrett to Benjimin Victor. Following a botched PAT snap, the Buckeyes lead 20–7 at the end of the first quarter.

The Buckeyes' miscues began adding up at the beginning of the second quarter. Sean Nuernberger's 47-yard field goal was blocked, <u>J. K. Dobbins</u> fumbled and punter Drue Chrisman had a 22-yard punt giving Maryland great field position. Though the mistakes on special teams and offense added up, the defense kept the Maryland offense scoreless. In the final five minutes of the second half, Ohio State scored three consecutive touchdowns giving them a 41–7 halftime lead.

Maryland began the second half with a −14 yard drive that was followed by an Ohio State drive that ended with a missed 29-yard field goal attempt. The Ohio State offense recovered and scored touchdowns on three of their next four drives. Maryland's only offensive score of the day came after a Dwayne Haskins fumble at the Ohio State 27, which allowed for a four play drive, capped by a 20-yard Javon Leake run, making the final 62–14.

Ohio State finished the day with 584 total yards and held the Terrapins to only 66.

Game Statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	MD
Total Yards	584	66
Passing Yards	303	16
Rushing Yards	281	50
Penalties	8–85	6–66
Turnovers	2	2
Time of Possession	32:24	27:36

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	MD
Passing	J.T. Barrett (261)	Max Bortenschlager (16)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (96)	Ty Johnson (57)
Receiving	Binjimen Victor (55)	D.J. Moore (11)

at Nebraska

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
5–1	2017	W 56–14

The No. 9 Ohio State Buckeyes (6–1, 4–0) defeated the Nebraska Cornhuskers (3–4, 2–2) at Memorial Stadium in Lincoln, Nebraska, by a score of 56–14. This is the third consecutive defeat of their cross-divisional foe, with the last and only loss coming in 2011. Additionally, the win marked the Buckeye's 500th Big Ten Conference victory and moved them into a tie with the Cornhuskers for the third-most NCAA Division I Football Bowl Subdivision wins at 892.

The Buckeyes began the game on defense which forced a three-and-out. Following a 57-yard punt which pinned the Ohio State offense at their own 4-yard line, the Buckeye's drove 96 yards to score the game's first score that was capped

No. 9 Ohio State at Nebraska

• Date: October 14,		1	2	3	4	Total
2017	• No. 9 Ohio State	14	21	14	7	56
Location: Memorial Stadium	Nebraska	0	0	14	0	14
Lincoln, NE						

• Game start: 7:30 p.m. EDT

• Elapsed time: 3:21

Game attendance: 89,346
Game weather: Overcast

• Referee: Don Capron

■ TV announcers (FS1): Gus Johnson (Play-By-Play), Joel Klatt (Color)

and Jenny Taft (Sideline)

by a 52-yard, J. K. Dobbins, touchdown. After another three-and-out by the Silver Bullet defense, the offense again scored on another drive that ended with a J. T. Barrett touchdown run, giving the Buckeyes a 14–0 lead at the end of the opening quarter. Ohio State scored less than 90 seconds into the second quarter, increasing their lead to 21. The Nebraska offense showed very little in the first half, gaining only five first downs on their six possessions, and the defense struggled even more by failing to stop the Buckeyes from reaching the endzone on all five of their possessions. This gave Ohio State a 35–0 halftime lead.

Ohio State once again lead a 75-yard drive to open the second half but were quickly matched by a 77-yard Tanner Lee touchdown pass to J.D. Spielman, making the score 42–7 Ohio State. The Cornhuskers would once again score on their following possession, on another Tanner Lee pass, but the score was again matched on a 15-play, 66-yard, Ohio State scoring drive. Nebraska would fail to score again while Ohio State would score once more, making the final score 56–14. Ohio State would score on eight of their nine drives and never having to punt.

<u>Barrett</u> scored five passing touchdowns and two rushing touchdowns, which tied his record for most touchdowns responsible for that he set in 2016. For his performance, he was named the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for the eighth time in his career, the Davey O'Brien national quarterback of the week and the Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week. [16]

The Buckeyes moved up to the No. 6 spot in both the AP Poll and Coaches Poll.

Game Statistics^[15]

Statistic	osu	NEB
Total Yards	633	393
Passing Yards	354	349
Rushing Yards	279	44
Penalties	7–53	12–104
Turnovers	0	1
Time of Possession	35:15	24:45

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	NEB
Passing	J.T. Barrett (325)	Tanner Lee (303)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (106)	Devine Ozigbo (24)
Receiving	K.J. Hill (80)	J.D. Spielman (200)

Penn State

#2 Penn State Nittany Lions (7–0) at #6 Ohio State Buckeyes (6–1)

at Ohio Stadium • Columbus, Ohio

Date: October 28

• Game time: 3:30 p.m. EDT

■ Game weather: Cloudy • 43 °F (6 °C) • Wind W 8 miles per hour (13 km/h;

7.0 kn)

■ Game attendance: 109,302

• Referee: John O'Neill

■ TV announcers (Fox): Gus Johnson, Joel Klatt, and Jenny Taft

Box Score (https://ohiostatebuckeyes.com/penn-state-vs-ohio-state-oct-28-2017/)

Game information

Penn State

- Trace McSorley 17/29, 192 Yds, 2 TD, 2 INT 13 Rush, 49 Yds, TD
- Mike Gesicki
 Rec, 57 Yds

Ohio State

J.T. Barrett
 33/39, 328 Yds, 4 TD
 17 Rush, 95 Yds

Quarter

Penn State

Ohio State

1

14

3

7

4

3

19

2

14

Total

38

39

K.J. Hill
 12 Rec, 102 Yds

The No. 6 Ohio State Buckeyes (7–1, 5–0) defeated the No. 2 Penn State Nittany Lions (7–1, 4–1) at Ohio Stadium by a score of 39–38. The Buckeyes avenged last year's loss to Penn State that gave them their only regular season loss and allowed the Nittany Lions to earn a berth over the Buckeyes in the 2016 Big Ten Football Championship Game. OSU Coach Urban Meyer is now 5–1 versus Penn State and PSU's James Franklin is 1–3 versus the Buckeyes. In all but three of the 32 match-ups, including 13 straight, at least one of the teams was ranked in the AP Top 25 poll. This game served as host to ESPN's College GameDay, and was Ohio State's third appearance this year and Penn State's second.

Special teams woes began immediately for the Buckeyes when Penn State won the opening coin toss and elected to receive the ball on the opening kickoff which resulted in a 97-yard <u>Saquon Barkley</u> kickoff return for a touchdown. On Ohio State's following possession, after only three plays, wide receiver Parris Campbell fumbled the ball after he was once again injured. This gave the Nittany Lion possession on their 23-yard line which led to an eventual 13-yard touchdown pass from <u>Trace McSorley</u> to <u>DaeSean Hamilton</u>. The Buckeyes found themselves in a 14-point hole at the 11:34 mark of the first quarter. After trading punts, Ohio State finally got on the scoreboard following a 38-yard Sean Nuernberger field goal to make the score 3–14. The remainder of the first quarter remained fairly quiet.

The second quarter of the game began with an 81-yard Penn State drive that resulted in a 36-yard touchdown Barkley run to give Penn State an 18-point lead with a score of 3–21. J. T. Barrett and the Ohio State offense was able to match that score with their first touchdown of the game by driving 63 yards and scoring on a 14-yard pass from Barrett to Terry McLaurin. The Buckeyes once again faced a special teams disaster on the following kickoff which was returned for 59 yards by Koa Farmer to the Ohio State 23 yard line. Two plays later McSorley ran for a 6-yard touchdown to give the Nittany Lions a 28–10 lead. Fortunately for the Buckeyes, the offense was able to travel 75 yards and a 2-yard Mike Weber touchdown with less than five minutes in the half to cut the PSU lead to 17–28. Punts were traded by both teams to end the half and Penn State went to the locker room with an impressive 11-point lead.

The Buckeyes were able to amount a 57-yard drive following the intermission that resulted in a 36-yard Nuernberger field goal to get the lead to eight, but it was quickly negated ten plays later when McSorley found the endzone again on a 37-yard touchdown pass to DeAndre Thompkins. The third quarter had no more scoring and the Nittany Lions were able to secure a 20–35 lead going into the fourth and final quarter.

On the opening drive of the fourth quarter, Barrett fumbled the ball in a botched hand off attempt to J. K. Dobbins which gave the ball to the Nittany Lions on Ohio State's 42 yard line. The Buckeye defense stepped up and forced a three-and-out which was followed by a blocked punt by Denzel Ward. Two plays later Ohio State found the endzone on a 38-yard pass from Barrett to Johnnie Dixon, which would bring the Buckeyes within eight. Unfortunately for the Buckeyes, Penn State was able to pull back ahead by 11 on a 5:23 drive that ended in a 24-yard Tyler Davis field goal. Following the Penn State score, the Buckeye offense came alive and resulted in two 55+ yard drives that ended in Barrett touchdown passes. One to Dixon and the go-ahead touchdown to Marcus Baugh. Penn State on the other hand faced two consecutive possessions of negative yards, sealing the one-point Ohio State victory.

J.T. Barrett gained a school record 423 total offensive yards during the game earning him his ninth Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week honors, while wide receiver K.J. Hill caught 12 passes, which is the fourth most in program history. The Buckeye defense was able to hold Heisman Trophy hopeful Barkley to a season low of only 44 yards rushing on 21 attempts, but his performance on special teams earned him honors for Big Ten Special Team Player of the Week.

Ohio State moved up to No. 3 in both the AP and Coaches Polls while Penn State fell to No. 7 in both. The Buckeyes took over the sole lead of the Big Ten East division following the victory and a Michigan State loss to Northwestern.

Scoring summary

0	T :		Drive		T	Occasiona información	Sc	ore
Quarter	Time	Plays	Yards	ТОР	Team	Scoring information	PSU	osu
1	14:45				Penn State	Kickoff returned 97 yards for touchdown by Saquon Barkley, Tyler Davis kick good	7	0
1	11:36	5	23	1:56	Penn State		14	0
1	4:38	9	37	2:58	Ohio State	38-yard field goal by Sean Nuernberger	14	3
2	11:40	7	81	3:20	Penn State	Saquon Barkley 36-yard touchdown run, Tyler Davis kick good	21	3
2	9:32	5	63	2:01	Ohio State	Terry McLaurin 14-yard touchdown reception from $\underline{\text{J.T. Barrett}},$ Sean Nuernberger kick good	21	10
2	8:06	2	23	1:08	Penn State	Trace McSorley 6-yard touchdown run, Tyler Davis kick good	28	10
2	4:56	10	75	3:10	Ohio State	Mike Weber 2-yard touchdown run, Sean Nuernberger kick good	28	17
3	11:37	10	57	3:23	Ohio State	36-yard field goal by Sean Nuernberger	28	20
3	7:25	10	70	4:09	Penn State	DeAndre Tompkins 37-yard touchdown reception from Trace McSorley, Tyler Davis kick good	35	20
4	11:05	2	47	0:34	Ohio State	Johnnie Dixon 38-yard touchdown reception from J.T. Barrett, Sean Nuernberger kick good	35	27
4	5:42	10	64	5:18	Penn State	24-yard field goal by Tyler Davis	38	27
4	4:20	5	76	1:17	Ohio State	Johnnie Dixon 10-yard touchdown reception from J.T. Barrett, 2-point run failed	38	33
4	1:48	5	58	1:19	Ohio State	Marcus Baugh 16-yard touchdown reception from J.T. Barrett, 2-point run failed	38	39
"TOP" = tin	ne of poss	ession. Fo	r other Ame	erican foo	tball terms, see	Glossary of American football.	38	39

at Iowa

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
46–14–3	2013	W 34–24

The No. 6 Ohio State Buckeyes (7–2, 5–1) lost to the <u>Iowa Hawkeyes</u> (5–3, 2–3) in <u>Iowa City, Iowa</u> at <u>Kinnick Stadium</u> by a score of 55–24. This was the Buckeyes' first trip to Iowa since 2010 and the first time playing the Hawkeyes since 2013.

The first play of the game began a tough day for the Buckeyes when quarterback J. T. Barrett threw his first of four interceptions that was returned for an Iowa touchdown by Amani Hooker. The Buckeye offense looked to rebound by scoring two touchdowns and a field goal on their next three possessions. The Hawkeyes matched them by also scoring touchdowns on all but one of their first half drives. This gave

No. 6 Ohio State at Iowa

• Date: November 4,		1	2	3	4	Total
2017	No. 6 Ohio State	10	7	0	7	24
Location:Kinnick Stadium	• Iowa	10	21	7	17	55
Iowa City, IA						

■ Game start: 3:30 p.m. <u>EDT</u>

• Elapsed time: 3:33

Game attendance: 67,669Game weather: OvercastReferee: Ron Snodgrass

• TV announcers (ESPN): Steve Levy (Play-By-Play), Brian Griese

(Color) and Todd McShay (Sideline)

Iowa a 31–17 lead at the half. The second half proved to be no easier on the Buckeyes as they allowed three more Iowa touchdowns and a field goal, while the Buckeyes offense only managed three first downs and one touchdown.

Ohio State fell to No. 11 in both the AP and the Coaches' Polls while falling to 13th in the CFP Poll. Iowa found themselves ranked for the first time in 2017 as they debuted at No. 25 in the AP Poll and No. 20 in the CFP Poll. The loss put the Buckeyes in a two-way tie at the top of the Big Ten East with their next opponent, Michigan State. Iowa quarterback, Nate Stanley, was named the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for his performance.

Statistic	osu	Iowa
Total Yards	371	487
Passing Yards	208	244
Rushing Yards	163	243
Penalties	9–95	5–34
Turnovers	4	0
Time of Possession	25:09	34:51

Statistic	osu	Iowa
Passing	J.T. Barrett (208)	Nathan Stanley (226)
Rushing	J.T. Barrett (63)	Akrum Wadley (118)
Receiving	Johnnie Dixon (81)	T. J. Hockenson (71)

No. 12 Michigan State

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
31–15	2017	W 48–3

The No. 13 Ohio State Buckeyes (8–2, 6–1) defeated the No. 12 Michigan State Spartans (7–3, 5–2) at Ohio Stadium by a score of 48–3. OSU coach <u>Urban Meyer</u> moved to 4–2 versus the Spartans, while MSU coach <u>Mark Dantonio</u> fell to 3–6 against the Buckeyes. With the victory, Ohio State became the sole possessors of first place in the Big Ten East.

While Michigan State started on a nine-play drive that took more than five minutes off of the clock, the Buckeyes were able to force a punt, a large part due to Nick Bosa's 12-yard sack on third down. The Buckeye offense was able to form an 86-yard drive that resulted in 79 rushing yards, including a 47-yard touchdown run by Mike Weber. J. T. Barrett was able to rush for two more touchdowns as well as pass for another to give them a 28–0 lead. The Buckeye's final score of the first

No. 12 Michigan State at No. 13 Ohio State

Total

3

48

4

0

Date:		1	2	3	
November 11, 2017	No. 12 Michigan State	0	3	0	
Location:	• No. 13 Ohio State	14	21	13	

Ohio Stadium Columbus, OH

■ Game start: 12:00 p.m. <u>EST</u>

Elapsed time: 3:20

Game attendance: 107,011
Game weather: Mostly cloudy

• Referee: Michael Cannon

TV announcers (FOX): Joe Davis (Play-By-Play), Brady Quinn (Color)

and Bruce Feldman (Sideline)

half came on a Weber 82-yard run on their next to-last possession, while Michigan State was able to kick a field goal as time expired following a Barrett interception. The Buckeyes would lead 35–3 at halftime. Ohio State was able to find the endzone on the third play of the second half with a 48-yard pass from Barrett to Binjimin Victor, this would be the last touchdown of the game. Ohio State would kick two Sean Nuernberger field goals on their next two possessions to increase their lead to 45.

Before this game, the largest Dantonio-Meyer match-up spread had been a 12-point OSU victory. This result was the largest defeat in the series history.

The Buckeyes moved up three spots to No. 8 in both the AP and Coaches' polls and four spots to No. 9 in the CFP poll while Michigan State fell to No. 24 in the AP poll, No. 22 in the Coaches' poll and No. 17 in the CFP poll. Weber was named Big Ten co-Offensive Player of the Week for his 162-yard and two touchdown rushing performance.

Game Statistics^[18]

Statistic	osu	MSU
Total Yards	524	195
Passing Yards	189	131
Rushing Yards	335	64
Penalties	2–27	5–58
Turnovers	2	3
Time of Possession	25:16	34:44

Statistic	osu	MSU
Passing	J.T. Barrett (183)	Brian Lewerke (131)
Rushing	Mike Weber (162)	L.J. Scott (30)
Receiving	Binjimen Victor (65)	Cody White (42)

Illinois

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
68–30–4	2017	W 52–14

The No. 9 Ohio State Buckeyes (9–2, 7–1) defeated the Illinois Fighting Illini (2–9, 0–8) by a score of 52–14 to end their Big Ten West match ups for the 2017 regular season and clinch the Big Ten East title as well as a berth in the Big Ten Football Championship Game. Ohio State was awarded the Illibuck Trophy for the ninth consecutive time, which has been given out since 1925, making it the second oldest trophy between Big Ten football programs. Urban Meyer is now 5–0 against the Illini, while this was Illinois coach Lovie Smith's first game against the Buckeyes.

The Buckeye offense came out and struck quickly by scoring on their first drive by a 25-yard Mike Weber touchdown run.

Illinois at No. 9 Ohio State

	Date: November		1	2	3	4	Total
	18, 2017	Illinois	0	0	7	7	14
-	Location: Ohio Stadium	• No. 9 Ohio State	28	10	7	7	52
	Columbus, OH						

• Game start: 3:30 p.m. EST

• Elapsed time: 3:16

■ Game attendance: 105,282

• Game weather: Cloudy/Heavy Rain

Referee: Daniel Capron

■ TV announcers (ABC): <u>Steve Levy</u> (Play-By-Play), <u>Brian Griese</u> (Color)

and Todd McShay (Sideline)

Ohio State's defense, matched the effort by forcing what would be the first of many three-and-outs. The following drive also resulted in a touchdown following a 6 play, 71-yard drive, capped by <u>J.T. Barrett</u>'s ninth rushing touchdown of the season. Ohio State would go on to score two more touchdowns in the first quarter, one by a pass from Barrett to Binjimen Victor and the other by a 43-yard Weber run. Illinois would fail to convert a first down, giving the Buckeyes a 28–0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

Ohio State was able to add a 33-year Sean Nuernberger field goal at the beginning of the second period, followed soon after by another OSU drive that ended with a J. K. Dobbins touchdown run, which would be the last time the primary starters would see the game in the first half. Ohio State would fail to score on a drive for the first time during their last possession, while Illinois would gain their only first down of the opening half. Ohio State would go into halftime with a 38–0 lead as heavy rain began to fall.

Ohio State's defense mounted another three-and-out to start the second half, but the offense was apparently effected by the rain when back-up quarterback Dwayne Haskins fumbled the ball and it was returned 54-yards by Ahmari Hayes for Illinois' first score. Ohio State's offensive starters went back into the game but were forced to punt. Luckily for the Buckeyes, the punt was muffed and recovered by Ohio State that led to a Barrett touchdown pass to tight end Marcus Ball. Ohio State led 45–7 at this point and would be the last time the offensive starters saw the field. The teams traded punts to close out the third quarter.

After a short performance by back-up quarterback, Joe Burrow, Haskins went back in the game which resulted in a 21-yard touchdown pass to Victor. The Illini would match the result with their only offensive touchdown on a 65-yard drive to make the score 52–14. Neither team would score again to make that the final.

Ohio State would only allow three first downs and it was the sixth game of the season that they allowed less than 100 rushing yards and the fifth game they allowed less than 100 passing yards.

Game Statistics^[19]

Statistic	osu	ILL
Total Yards	543	105
Passing Yards	218	16
Rushing Yards	325	89
Penalties	7–68	7–55
Turnovers	1	1
Time of Possession	37:16	22:44

Statistic	osu	ILL
Passing	J.T. Barrett (141)	Chayce Crouch (16)
Rushing	Mike Weber (108)	Dre Brown (76)
Receiving	Parris Campbell (59)	Reggie Corbin (8)

at Michigan

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
48–58–6	2016	W 30–27 ^{2OT}

The 114th edition of the Michigan–Ohio State football rivalry, colloquially known as "**The Game**", took place at Michigan Stadium between the No. 9 Ohio State Buckeyes (10–2, 8–1) and the Michigan Wolverines (8–4, 5–4). The No. 9 Ohio State Buckeyes defeated the Michigan Wolverines by a score of 31–20.

Ohio State and Michigan both started off slowly by forcing three-and-outs on each team's opening drive before the Wolverines mounted a nearly six minute, 13-play, 77-yard drive that resulted in a touchdown. Ohio State was again forced with another three-and-out that was followed by a Michigan drive that ended in a punt that pinned the Buckeye's

No. 9 Ohio State at Michigan

■ Date: November		1	2	3	4	Total
25, 2017	• No. 9 Ohio State	0	14	7	10	31
Location:Michigan Stadium	Michigan	7	7	6	0	20
Ann Arbor, MI						

■ Game start: 12:00 p.m. EST

• Elapsed time: 3:42

Game attendance: 112,028

Game weather: Cloudy/Light Snow Flurries

Referee: Ron Snodgrass

■ TV announcers (FOX): Gus Johnson (Play-By-Play), Joel Klatt (Color),

Jenny Taft (Sideline)

deep. Ohio State was forced to punt and was returned 42-yards by Michigan wide receiver <u>Donovan Peoples-Jones</u>, additionally, Ohio State committed a block in the back which gave the Wolverines the ball at the five-yard line. Michigan was able to take a 14–0 lead when quarterback <u>John O'Korn</u> completed a three-yard pass to Sean McKeon. Ohio State was held to –6 yard in the first quarter and was the first time since 2010 that Ohio State had been held to negative yardage in a quarter. The Ohio State offense and the rushing attack of <u>J. T. Barrett</u> and <u>J. K. Dobbins</u> came alive on the following drive when the two gained 71 yards on the ground that ended with a 21-yard Barrett touchdown run. Following a Michigan punt, Ohio State was able to move the ball again behind Barrett when he ran for 26 yards and threw a 25-yard touchdown pass to tight end Marcus Baugh, tying the game at 14. Neither team would score again in the first half.

Ohio State again started off slow by being forced to consecutive three-and-outs, while Michigan was able to score on a 2-yard Karan Higdon touchdown run. Ohio State linebacker, Chris Worley, was able to block the PAT and Michigan led 20–14. The Buckeyes answered back when Ohio State mounted a 78-yard touchdown drive capped by a 1-yard Dobbins touchdown run. Unfortunately for the Buckeyes, Barrett was injured during the drive and was forced out for the remainder of the game. RS Freshman, Dwayne Haskins gained 24 yards on the ground and 31 in the air on the drive that gave the Buckeyes a one-point, 21–20 lead. The Wolverines were unable to capitalize on the following possession and Ohio State was able to tack on a 44-yard Sean Nuernberger field goal, increasing the lead to four. Michigan drove the ball 36-yards on their next possession, but turned the ball over on downs following an O'Korn sack and two additional incomplete passes. The Buckeyes drove again and Nuernberger missed only his third field goal of the season on a 43-yard attempt. The following play, O'Korn committed the only turnover of the game when he threw an interception to Jordan Fuller. On Ohio State's next possession, Dobbins ran for 41 yards and Mike Weber was able to seal the game by scoring a 25-yard touchdown run with 1:44 remaining in the game, to make what would be the final score, 31–20.

Michigan coach <u>Jim Harbaugh</u> dropped to 0–3 versus the Buckeyes, while <u>Urban Meyer</u> moved to 6–0 against the Wolverines. The current winning streak is tied for the second-longest in the series and tied for the longest for Ohio State with the 2004–2009 games. J.T. Barrett became the only quarterback in the series history to have four wins versus the other and moved Ohio State into first place in the number of all-time Big

Ten wins. Ohio State clinched their first outright divisional title since 2014 and faced Wisconsin in the Big Ten Championship Game. Ohio State's ranking would remain unchanged in the AP Poll at No. 8 and they would move up one spot to No. 7 in the Coaches Poll.

Game Statistics

Statistic	osu	MICH
Total Yards	350	295
Passing Yards	124	195
Rushing Yards	226	100
Penalties	9–75	6–50
Turnovers	0	1
Time of Possession	31:17	28:43

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	МІСН
Passing	Dwayne Haskins (94)	John O'Korn (195)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (101)	Chris Evans (67)
Receiving	K.J. Hill (53)	Kekoa Crawford (57)

vs. No. 4 Wisconsin (Big Ten Championship)

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
58–18–5	2016	W 30–23 ^{OT}

The No. 8 Ohio State Buckeyes (11–2, 8–1) defeated the No. 4 Wisconsin Badgers (12–1, 9–0) 27–21 at Lucas Oil Stadium in the **Big Ten Championship**. Urban Meyer is now 5–0 versus the Badgers, with two of the victories coming in overtime. Paul Chryst fell to 0–2 versus the Buckeyes. This was Ohio State's third appearance in the Championship game and Wisconsin's fifth, including their second straight.

The Badgers began the game with the ball and were forced to punt after a three-and-out with the reverse result happening on the Buckeyes' first possession as well. Wisconsin would then follow with a 55-yard drive that ended with an interception in Wisconsin's redzone thrown by Alex Hornibrook to Denzel

No. 8 Ohio State vs. No. 4 Wisconsin

Date: December		1	2	3	4	Total
2, 2017	• No. 8 Ohio State	14	7	3	3	27
Location: Lucas Oil Stadium	No. 4 Wisconsin	7	3	3	8	21
Indianapolis, IN						

• Game start: 8:20 p.m. EST

Elapsed time: 3:43

• Game attendance: 65,886

Game weather: N/A (Game indoors with retractable roof closed)

Referee: Don Willard

 TV announcers (FOX): Gus Johnson (Play-By-Play), Joel Klatt (Analyst) and Jenny Taft (Sidelines)

Ward at OSU's 4-yard line. J. T. Barrett would rush for a total of 12 yards before hitting Terry McLaurin for an 84-yard touchdown pass giving the Buckeyes an early 7–0 lead. The pass from Barrett to McLaurin was the longest play committed against the Badgers' defense all season. The following Wisconsin drive lasted for 7 plays and 44 yards and a punt trapped the Buckeyes on their own two-yard line. Barrett would go on to throw an interception to Wisconsin linebacker Andrew Van Ginkel that was returned for a touchdown, tying the game at 7–7. Ohio State would bounce back quickly and score on a Barrett to Parris Campbell, 57-yard touchdown pass, once again regaining the lead 14–7 and bringing an end to the first quarter.

Ohio State wand Wisconsin traded punts to open the second quarter, but the Buckeyes would strike again with a Barrett 1-yard touchdown run that was set up by a 77-yard rush by J. K. Dobbins. On Ohio State's second possession of the second quarter, Mike Weber would commit his first fumble of the year that was recovered by Van Ginkel that would lead to a 28-yard field goal, making the score 21–10 in favor of the Buckeyes. Ohio State would attempt to add to their lead, but Sean Nuernberger's 43-yard field goal was blocked as time expired.

While Ohio State couldn't amount a drive to open the second half, Wisconsin was able to convert a 46-yard field goal to narrow the lead to 8, which was quickly matched by the Buckeyes thanks to a 53-yard Dobbins run and a 27-yard Nuernberger field goal. Punts were traded after several three-and-outs both teams until Wisconsin began an 11-play, 52-yard drive that started with a Barrett interception that ended with a 1-yard touchdown run by Chris James and a successful 2-point conversion. The score narrowed to 24–21 favoring Ohio State. The Buckeyes followed with a 15-play drive that took 5:20 off the clock and tacked on a 20-yard Ohio State field goal to increase the lead back to 6. The Buckeyes and the Badgers again traded punts and with 1:50 left in the game, Wisconsin would begin their final offensive drive. Wisconsin

would secure two first downs bringing them to mid-field. A holding penalty on Wisconsin on first down would force a first and 20. Hornibrook would throw three incomplete passes until he threw an interception to Damon Webb. Ohio State was able to run out the clock and secure their 36th Big Ten Title.

J. K. Dobbins would be named the MVP of the game which was the first time a Freshman earned the award. He would also become the all-time leading Freshman rusher in Ohio State history, passing Maurice Clarett. Ohio State would go on to be ranked No. 5 in the final CFP poll and miss the playoffs while Wisconsin would fall to No. 6. It was announced on December 3, that No. 5 Ohio State would face No. 8 USC in the Cotton Bowl Classic.

Game Statistics

Statistic	osu	WISC
Total Yards	449	298
Passing Yards	211	238
Rushing Yards	238	60
Penalties	5–48	6–55
Turnovers	3	2
Time of Possession	25:65	34:06

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	WISC
Passing	J. T. Barrett (211)	Alex Hornibrook (229)
Rushing	J. K. Dobbins (174)	Jonathan Taylor (42)
Receiving	Terry McLaurin (92)	Troy Fumagalli (45) Austin Ramesh (45)

vs. No. 8 USC (Cotton Bowl Classic)

Overall record	Last meeting	Result
9–13–1	2009	L 15–18

The No. 5 Ohio State Buckeyes (12–2) defeated the No. 8 <u>USC Trojans</u> (11–3) 24–7 at <u>AT&T Stadium</u> in <u>Arlington</u>, <u>Texas</u> in the **Cotton Bowl Classic**. This was the first time that the Buckeyes defeated the Trojans since 1974, which broke a seven game USC win-streak.

Ohio State and their Silver Bullet defense proved to be a tough match for USC. On the third play of the game, Ohio State's Kendall Sheffield was able to strip the ball from USC wide receiver Deontay Burnett which was recovered and advanced 20 yards by Ohio State's Damon Webb. This set up a short five-play drive that resulted in a J. T. Barrett 1-yard touchdown run. Punts were traded a few times by both teams

No. 8 USC vs. No. 5 Ohio State

■ Date: December		1	2	3	4	Total
29, 2017	No. 8 USC	0	7	0	0	7
Location: AT&T Stadium	• No. 5 Ohio State	7	17	0	0	24
Arlington, Texas						

■ Game start: 8:30 p.m. EST

• Elapsed time: 3:45

• Game attendance: 67,510

Game weather: N/A (Game indoors with retractable roof closed)

• Referee: David Smith

TV announcers (ESPN): <u>Bob Wischusen</u> (Play-By-Play), <u>Brock Huard</u> (Analyst) and Allison Williams (sideline)

until the Buckeyes produced an 83-yard drive that tacked on a 26-yard Sean Nuernberger field goal at the beginning of the second quarter to five OSU a 10–0 lead. The following play, <u>Sam Darnold</u> threw an interception to Ohio State's Damon Webb which was returned for a 23-yard touchdown giving the Buckeyes a 17–0 lead. Again, both teams traded punts and USC fumbled the ball which set up a 59-yard Buckeye drive that ended with a 28-yard Barrett touchdown run giving the Buckeyes a 24-point lead. USC was able to find the scoreboard in the second quarter when K.J. Hill fumbled a punt return which set up a 15-yard drive, capped by a one-yard <u>Ronald Jones II</u> touchdown run. The score at half would be 24–7 favoring Ohio State.

Offensively, the Buckeyes remained quiet the second half by having all but one drive ending in a punt. USC was able to drive deep into Buckeye territory three times, but a missed field goal, a fumble and a failed fourth-down conversion didn't allow the Trojans to score any points. The final score would end as 24–7.

Barrett and Webb were named the Offensive and Defensive MVPs respectively. Barrett also passed <u>Drew Brees</u> for the Big Ten record of most offensive yards in a career.

Game Statistics

Statistic	osu	USC
Total Yards	277	413
Passing Yards	114	356
Rushing Yards	163	57
Penalties	3–30	3–35
Turnovers	1	4
Time of Possession	25:04	34:56

Game Leaders

Statistic	osu	USC
Passing	J. T. Barrett (114)	Sam Darnold (356)
Rushing	J. T. Barrett (66)	Ronald Jones II (64)
Receiving	Austin Mack (56)	Deontay Burnett (139)

Early Departures

- WR Noah Brown Declared for the NFL Draft
- CB Gareon Conley Declared for the NFL Draft
- FS Malik Hooker Declared for the NFL Draft
- CB <u>Marshon Lattimore</u> Declared for the NFL Draft
- LB Raekwon McMillan Declared for the NFL Draft
- RB Curtis Samuel Declared for the NFL Draft

Roster

	2017 Ohio State Buckeyes football team roster												
							Players						Coaches
Pos. +	# \$	Offense Name	\$ (Class +	Pos. \$	# \$	Defense Name	+ Class +	Pos. 4		pecial teams Name +	Class +	Head coach
WR	1	Johnnie Dixon		Jr	СВ	1	Jeffrey Okudah	Fr	<u>LS</u>	49	Liam McCullough	g So	Urban Meyer
RB	2 7	J. K. Dobb Dwayne	ins	Fr	DE	2	Chase Young	Fr	<u>K</u>	90	Bryan Kristan	Jr	Coordinators/assistant
QB	·	Haskins Trevon		≇ Fr	СВ	3	Damon Arnette	 So	<u>P</u>	91	Drue Chrisman	So	coaches
WR	8	Grimes Binjimen		Fr	<u>s</u>	4	Jordan Fuller	So	<u>K</u>	95	Blake Haubeil	Fr	Offense
WR OB	9	Victor Joe Burrov	• •	So So	LB	5	Baron Browning	Fr	<u>K</u>	96	Coon	Jr	 Kevin Wilson (Offensive Coordinator / Tight ends
QB WR		Austin Mad	_	≇ So So	DE	6	Sam Hubbard (C	Jr			Nucmberger		Coach) Tony Alford (Assistant
WR	12	Brendan Skalitzky		So	<u>s</u>	7	Damon Webb	Sr					Head Coach / Running backs)
WR WR		K. J. Hill Jaylen Har	ris	≝ So Fr	DT	9	Jashon	 So					 Ryan Day (Co-Offensive Coordinator /
QB	16	J. T. Barrett (C)		Sr	СВ	8	Cornell Kendall	_ So					Quarterbacks)
QB	18			Fr	СВ	10	Sheffield Amir Riep	Fr					Zack Smith (Wide Receivers)
WR	21	Parris Campbell ((C)	👚 Jr	DE	11	Jalyn Holmes (C)	Cr.					 Greg Studrawa (Offensive Line)
<u>TE</u>	24	Kierre Hawkins		堂 Fr	ı			•	I				Defense

Pos. ♦ RB		Name ♦ Mike Weber	Class ♦	Pos. \$		Name ♦ Denzel	Class +
	26	Antonio	_	CB	12	Ward	Jr
RB	20	Williams Jordan	So	DE	13	Rashod Berry	 So
RB	28	Leasure	So	<u>s</u>	14	Isaiah Pryor	Fr
RB	30	Demario McCall	Fr	<u>DB</u>	15	Wayne Davis	≇ Fr
<u>RB</u>	35	Alex Backenstoe	Jr	<u>LB</u>	16	Keandre Jones	So
<u>TE</u>	37	Derrick Malone	Jr	<u>LB</u>	17	Jerome Baker	Jr
RB	46	Ke'Von Huguely	Jr	<u>CB</u>	17	C. J. Saunders	Jr
<u>OL</u>	50	Nathan Brock	So	<u>DE</u>	18	Jonathan Cooper	👚 Fr
<u>OL</u>	52	Wyatt Davis	Fr	S	19	Eric Glover-	Jr
<u>OL</u>	54	Billy Price (C)	Sr	LB	20	Williams Pete Werner	Fr
OL	59	Isaiah Prince	Jr	СВ	21	Marcus	Fr
OL	60	Blake Pfenning	Jr	S		Williamson Jahsen Wint	* Fr
OL	61	Gavin Cupp	👚 Fr	СВ	24	Shaun	Fr
OL	62	Pahl Brandon	Jr			Wade Trevon	
OL	63	Kevin	Jr	CB	25	Forte	Sr
<u> </u>		Woidke Jack		LB		Jared Drake Dante	Jr
<u>OL</u>	64	Wohlabaugh	👚 Fr	<u>LB</u>	33	Booker	Sr
OL	66	Malcolm Pridgeon	Jr	LB S	-	Tuf Borland Erick Smith	≇ Fr Sr
G	69	Matthew	常 So		35	Chris	Sr
OL		Burrell Myers Josh	Fr	<u>LB</u>	33	Worley (C)	31
<u> </u>	73	Michael	So	<u>LB</u>	36	Zach Turnure	GS
OT	74	Jordan <u>Jamarco</u>	Sr	<u>s</u>	37	Elijaah Goins	Sr
	7.	Jones Thayer		<u>D</u>	38	Logan Kelleher	Sr
<u>OL</u>	75	Munford Brandon	Fr	LB	39	Malik Harrison	So
OT	76	Bowen	 So	LB	41	Hayden	So
OT		Kevin Feder Demetrius	 So			Jester Darius	30
<u>OL</u>	78	Knox	Jr	DL	42	Slade	Jr
OL	79	Brady Taylor Brendon	Jr	<u>LB</u>	43	Nick Conner	堂 So
WR	80	White Jake	Fr	<u>CB</u>	46	Cin'Quan Haney Justin	Sr
<u>TE</u>	81	Hausmann	👚 Fr	<u>LB</u>	47	Hillard Noah	So
WR	83	Terry McLaurin (C)	Jr	DL	52	Donald	So
TE	84	Brock Davin	So	DT	53	Davon Hamilton	 So
TE	85	Marcus Baugh	Sr	DT	55	Malik	* Fr
WR	87	Elijah Gardiner	Fr	DT	58	Barrow Joshua	■ So
TE	88	A. J.	 So		50	Alabi	■ 30
TE	89	Alexander Luke Farrell	<u>■</u> Fr	DL	59	Tyquan Lewis (C)	Sr
				DL	67	Robert Landers	So
				DT	77	Michael Hill	Sr
				DL	86	Dre'mont Jones Tracy	堂 So

Tracy

94

Sprinkle (C) Dylan

Thompson

Sr

Jr

DL

DL

- Greg Schiano (Defensive Coordinator / Associate Head Coach)
- Kerry Coombs
 (Assistant Defensive Coordinator / Special Teams Coordinator / Cornerbacks)
- Bill Davis (Linebackers)
- Larry Johnson (Assistant Head Coach / Defensive Line)

Staff

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- Louie Addazio (Graduate Assistant – Offense)
- Sean Buckley (Quality Control Coach – Offense)
- Ryan Crow (Graduate Assistant – Defense)
- Corey Dennis (Graduate Assistant – Offense)
- Tim Hinton (Executive Director for Football Relations/Special Assistant to HC)
- Randall Joyner (Graduate Assistant – Defense)
- Mickey Marotti
 (Assistant Athletic
 Director for Football
 Sports Performance)
- Mark Pantoni (Director of Player Personnel)
- Adam Scheier (Quality Control Coach – Kicking)
- Ryan Stamper (Director of Player Development)
- Matt Thurin (Quality Control Coach – Defense)
- Brian Voltolini (Director of Football Operations)

Legend

- (C) Team captain
- **(S)** Suspended
- (I) Ineligible
- Injured
- Redshirt

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Coaching changes

- OC/OL Ed Warriner left to become offensive line coach at Minnesota^[21]
- Co-OC/QB Tim Beck left to become the offensive coordinator at <u>Texas</u> under coach <u>Tom Herman</u>, a previous offensive coordinator at Ohio State^[22]
- Co-DC/LB <u>Luke Fickell</u> left to become the head coach at <u>Cincinnati</u>; Co-DC <u>Greg Schiano</u> then became the sole Defensive Coordinator [24]
- Kevin Wilson, former Indiana head coach, hired as offensive coordinator and tight ends coach [25][26]
- Ryan Day hired as quarterbacks coach and co-offensive coordinator [27][28]
- Bill Davis hired as linebackers coach^[29]

Awards and honors

	Weekly Awards		
Player	Award	Date Awarded	Ref.
J. T. Barrett	Big Ten Co-Offensive Player of the Week	September 4, 2017	[30]
	Big Ten Freshman of the Week	Contember 4 2017	[30]
J. K. Dobbins	The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week	September 4, 2017	[31]
	Big Ten Co-Freshman of the Week	September 18, 2017	[32]
	Athlon Sports Offensive Player of the Week	October 15, 2017	[33]
	Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week	October 16, 2017	[34]
	Rose Bowl Big Ten Player of the Week	October 16, 2017	[35]
	The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week	0.445 - 47, 0047	[36]
	Davey O'Brien Quarterback of the Week	October 17, 2017	[37]
J.T. Barrett	CBS Sports National Player of the Week	0.444.4.00.004.7	[38]
	Athlon Sports Offensive Player of the Week	October 29, 2017	[39]
	Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week	0.444.4.00.004.7	[40]
	Rose Bowl Big Ten Player of the Week	October 30, 2017	[35]
	The Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award National Player of the Week	Ostabar 21, 2017	[41]
	Davey O'Brien Quarterback of the Week	October 31, 2017	[42]
NAILes NA/ala - ::	Big Ten Co-Offensive Player of the Week	Navarahar 12, 2017	[43]
Mike Weber	Rose Bowl Big Ten Player of the Week	November 13, 2017	[44]
Sam Hubbard	Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week	November 27, 2017	[45]
J. K. Dobbins	Grange-Griffin Championship Game MVP	December 2, 2018	[46]

Individual Yearly Awards							
Player	Award/Honors						
	Griese-Brees Big Ten Quarterback of the Year						
	Maxwell Award Semifinalist						
1 T Dorrott	Johnny Unitas Golden Arm Award Finalist						
J. T. Barrett	Davey O'Brien Award Finalist						
	Manning Award Finalist						
	Earl Campbell Tyler Rose Award Finalist						
Jerome Baker	Butkus Award Semifinalist						
Nick Bosa	Smith-Brown Big Ten Defensive Lineman of the Year						
NICK BUSA	Bednarik Award Semifinalist						
Tyquan Lewis	Lott Impact Trophy Quarter-Finalist						
	Rimington-Pace Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year						
Billy Price	Rimington Trophy						
	Outland Trophy Semifinalist						
Tracy Sprinkle	Big Ten Sportsmanship Honoree						
Denzel Ward	Thorpe Award Semifinalist						

All-Conference Honors [47]									
Player	Position	Media Vote	Coaches Vote	AP	Athlon				
Damon Arnette	СВ	НМ	_	-	-				
Jerome Baker	LB	НМ	НМ	-	_				
J. T. Barrett	QB	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team				
Marcus Baugh	TE	НМ	НМ	-	_				
Nick Bosa	DE	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team				
Parris Campbell	KR/PR WR	2nd Team –	3rd Team 3rd Team		2nd Team 3rd Team				
Drue Chrisman	Р	3rd Team	3rd Team	-	3rd Team				
Johnnie Dixon	WR	НМ	_	-	_				
J. K. Dobbins	RB	2nd Team	2nd Team	2nd Team	1st Team				
Jordan Fuller	S	НМ	3rd Team	-	_				
K.J. Hill	WR	НМ	НМ	-	_				
Jaylyn Holmes	DE	НМ	НМ	-	_				
Sam Hubbard	DE	2nd Team	2nd Team	-	2nd Team				
Dre'mont Jones	DT	НМ	3rd Team	1st Team	2nd Team				
Jamarco Jones	ОТ	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team				
Michael Jordan	OG	2nd Team	1st Team	1st Team	2nd Team				
Tyquan Lewis	DT	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team				
Sean Nuernberger	К	3rd Team	3rd Team	-	_				
Billy Price	С	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team				
Isaiah Prince	ОТ	3rd Team	3rd Team	-	3rd Team				
Denzel Ward	СВ	1st Team	2nd Team	2nd Team	1st Team				
Damon Webb	S	3rd Team	НМ	-	-				
Mike Weber	RB	НМ	НМ	-	_				
Chris Worley	LB	НМ	НМ	-	-				

	NCAA Recognized All-American Honors										
Player	Position	AFCA	AP	FWAA	Sporting News	WCFF	Designation				
Nick Bosa	DE	1st Team	2nd Team	_	-	2nd Team	-				
Billy Price	С	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	Unanimous				
Denzel Ward	СВ	1st Team	1st Team	2nd Team	1st Team	_	Consensus				

*The NCAA and Ohio State only recognize the AP, AFCA, FWAA, Sporting News and WCFF All-American teams to determine if a player is a Consensus or Unanimous All-American. To be named a Consensus All-American, a player must be named first team in three polls and to be Unanimous, they must be named first team in all five.

				0	ther All-Ame	rican Hon	ors					
Player	Position	Athletic	Athlon	Bleacher Report ^[48]	CBS Sports	CFN	ESPN	FOX Sports	Phil Steele	Scout	SI	USA Today
J.T. Barrett	QB	_	_	_	_	НМ	_				-	_
Nick Bosa	DE	_	2nd Team	_	2nd Team	_	_				_	_
Drue Chrisman	Р	_	_	_	_	НМ	_				_	-
J.K. Dobbins	All- purpose	_	_	_	_	_	Freshman				_	_
Jamarco Jones	OL	_	3rd Team	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	-	_
Billy Price	С	_	1st Team	1st Team	2nd Team	1st Team	1st Team				1st Team	1st Team
Denzel Ward	СВ	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	1st Team	-	1st Team				-	1st Team

Players in the 2018 NFL Draft

Player	Position	Round	Pick	NFL Club		
Denzel Ward	СВ	1	4	Cleveland Browns		
Billy Price	<u>C</u>	1	21	Cincinnati Bengals		
Tyquan Lewis	DE	2	64	Indianapolis Colts		
Jerome Baker	LB	3	73	Miami Dolphins		
Sam Hubbard	DE	3	77	Cincinnati Bengals		
Jalyn Holmes	DE	4	102	Minnesota Vikings		
Jamarco Jones	ОТ	5	168	Seattle Seahawks		

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