

# RUTGERS

## FOOTBALL

2020

### SCHEDULE/RESULTS

#### OCTOBER

24...at Michigan State (BTN)..... W, 38-27  
 31...No. 17 Indiana (FS1)..... L, 37-21

#### NOVEMBER

7....at No. 3 Ohio State (BTN)..... L, 49-27  
 14...Illinois (BTN)..... L, 23-20  
 21...Michigan (BTN).....L, 48-42 (3OT)  
 28...at Purdue (FS1)..... W, 37-30

#### DECEMBER

5....Penn State (FS1)..... Noon  
 12...at Maryland..... TBA  
 19...Big Ten Champions Week..... TBA

\* - Big Ten game

All game times Eastern Standard Time

### BROADCAST INFORMATION

TV: FS1 (FOX Sports App)

Play-By-Play: Mark Followill

Analyst: Matt Millen

Reporter: Olivia Dekker

Radio: RWJBarnabas Health

Rutgers Sports Network

WCTC 1450-AM, WOR 710-AM,

WENJ 97.3-FM, XM 207, Sirius 136

Play-By-Play: Chris Carlin

Analyst: Ray Lucas

Analyst: Eric LeGrand

Sideline: Anthony Fucilli

Engineer: Paul Shrager

Pregame: 11 a.m.

Marc Malusis & Julian Pinnix-Odrick

Student Radio: WRSU 88.7-FM

Troy DeSavino & Raj Shah

### SERIES HISTORY

All-Time: Penn State leads, 28-2

In Piscataway: Penn State leads, 12-0

Last Meeting: Nov. 30, 2019

Penn State 27, Rutgers 6 (University Park)

Last Rutgers Win: Sept. 24, 1988

Rutgers 21, No. 15 Penn State 16  
 (University Park)

### STAT LEADERS

Passing: Vedral (111-173, 1,104 yds, 8 TD)

Rushing: Pacheco (86 att, 390 yds, 2 TD)

Receiving: Melton (30 rec, 474 yds, 5 TD)

All-Purpose: Cruickshank (706 yds)

Tackles: Fatukasi (75)

Sacks: Toure (3.0)

Interceptions: Avery/Toure/White (1)

### GAME 7 • RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE SATURDAY, DEC. 5 • SHI STADIUM

#### SCARLET KNIGHTS

2-4	Record	1-5
2-4	Big Ten Record	1-5
NR/NR	Ranking (AP/Coaches)	NR/NR
W, 37-30 at Purdue (11/28)	Last Game	W, 27-17 at Michigan (11/28)
Greg Schiano	Head Coach	James Franklin
70-71 (12th season)	Career Record	81-43 (10th season)
Same	Record at School	57-28 (Seventh season)
0-0	Record vs. Opponent	6-0
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#### NITTANY LIONS



Johnny Langan rushed for nine first downs at Purdue with 95 rushing yards, including 53 in the fourth quarter. The quarterback also threw a 62-yard touchdown to Kay'Ron Adams and is a perfect 8-for-8 on pass attempts this season.

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### NOTABLE

- Rutgers takes on Penn State at SHI Stadium for its final scheduled home game of the season, presented by Provident Bank. It will be the first December game in the regular season since Dec. 7, 2013 versus USF.
- Rutgers seeks its third win in Big Ten play to match the program high set in 2014 and 2017.
- Rutgers is the most improved offensive team in the Big Ten compared to last season in scoring offense (+17.5), total offense (+96.2) and passing offense (+94.2).
- The Scarlet Knights are one of seven teams nationally that have scored more points than in 2019 (+26) and the only team in the group that has played less than eight games this year.
- Rutgers' average of 30.8 points per game is on pace for its best scoring season in Big Ten play since joining the league in 2014. The previous high is 21.3 points per game against Big Ten opponents in 2015 (eight games). The 185 total points are 134 more than the 51 posted in Big Ten play last season (nine games).

## GAME 7: RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE

### STAT COMPARISON

Category	RU	PSU	NCAA Ranking	
			RU	PSU
Record	2-4	1-5		
Conference	2-4	1-5		
3rd Down Conversion	.389	.468	76	25
First Downs Defense	145	111	70	42
First Downs Offense	126	151	74	58
Kickoff Returns	25.33	15.33	16	119
Passes Intercepted	3	2	80	97
Passing Offense	233.5	259.7	61	42
Passing Yards Allowed	260.2	203.3	93	31
Passing Yards/Completion	9.53	11.89	120	75
Red Zone Defense	.897	.909	104	111
Red Zone Offense	.905	.680	24	120
Rushing Defense	170.3	144.5	69	48
Rushing Offense	135.8	158.2	92	69
Sacks Allowed Per Game	1.83	3.50	44	113
Scoring Defense	35.7	32.8	108	92
Scoring Offense	30.8	25.0	52	89
Team Passing Efficiency	129.28	123.76	75	88
Team Passing Efficiency Def.	157.69	137.10	116	62
Team Sacks Per Game	1.50	2.00	100	67
Team Tackles For Loss/Game	6.7	6.0	45	66
Time of Possession	34:31	33:02	7	22
Total Defense	430.4	347.8	85	29
Total Offense	369.3	417.8	87	48
Turnover Margin	0.17	-1.33	58	121

### RUTGERS NCAA/BIG TEN RANKINGS

Team Rankings	NCAA/B1G	Actual
3rd Down Conversion	76/8	0.389
Completion Percentage	22/3	0.659
First Downs Defense	70/14	145
First Downs Offense	74/2	126
Kickoff Return Defense	76/11	21.62
Kickoff Returns	16/2	25.33
Passes Had Intercepted	96/12	8
Passes Intercepted	80/7	3
Passing Offense	61/7	233.5
Passing Yards Allowed	93/13	260.2
Passing Yards per Completion	120/14	9.53
Red Zone Defense	104/12	0.897
Red Zone Offense	24/3	0.905
Rushing Defense	69/9	170.3
Rushing Offense	92/8	135.8
Sacks Allowed	44/7	1.83
Scoring Defense	108/14	35.7
Scoring Offense	52/5	30.8
Tackles for Loss Allowed	80/11	6.67
Team Passing Efficiency	75/7	129.28
Team Passing Efficiency Defense	116/13	157.69
Team Sacks	100/11	1.50
Team Tackles For Loss	45/2	6.7
Time of Possession	7/3	34:31
Total Defense	85/10	430.5
Total Offense	87/10	369.3
Turnover Margin	58/7	0.17

- Rutgers has scored at least 20 points in all six games. The last time the Scarlet Knights opened a season posting 20 more points in each of the first six games was in 2007 (seven). RU had never had a streak of five consecutive conference games with 20 or more points before this season. Rutgers entered the season having recorded 20 points or more only five times the previous four seasons combined in Big Ten play (36 games) and 12 times in the first 52 games since joining the league in 2014.

#### VERSUS PENN STATE

- Rutgers and Penn State will meet for the seventh time in a Big Ten contest, 13th time in New Jersey and for the 31st meeting overall. RU has played PSU more in its history than any other Big Ten opponent.

- The series began 101 years ago on Nov. 9, 1918 with a 26-3 Rutgers victory at Penn State. The programs played annually from 1982 until 1995.

- Rutgers last won in the series in 1998 over the 15th-ranked Nittany Lions at Beaver Stadium, 21-16. Mike Botti ran for a pair of touchdowns in the third quarter and the defense clinched the game with a goal-line stand to seal the victory.

- The 2014 game marked the first Big Ten game for Rutgers and was played before a stadium-record 53,774 fans in Piscataway.

- Rutgers has eight players on its roster from the state of Pennsylvania: Rashawn Battle (Grentown), Drew Bethke (Furlong), Tyreek Maddox-Williams (Philadelphia), Matt Rosso (Fairless Hills), Ewan Simon (Mount Joy), Andrew Vince (Schwenksville), Aaron Young (Coatesville) and Avery Young (Coatesville).

- Head coach Greg Schiano worked on the Penn State staff for six seasons as a graduate assistant (1990) and secondary coach (1991-95).

- Rutgers game highs versus Penn State:  
Rushing Yards: Mike Botti, 112 (1988)  
Passing Yards: Eric Hochberg, 367 (1983)  
Receiving Yards: Andrew Baker, 210 (1983)

#### SECOND ROAD WIN

- Rutgers overcame a 23-13 halftime deficit by outscoring Purdue in the second half, 24-7, to claim a 37-30 victory in its first visit to Ross-Ade Stadium. It marked the 14th time under head coach Greg Schiano the Scarlet Knights won when trailing at the half and sixth time when trailing by double digits at halftime. RU had only won two Big Ten games when trailing at halftime (2014 Maryland, 2014 Indiana) since joining the league.

- The victory signaled the first time in program history Rutgers has won multiple road Big Ten games in the same season. The Scarlet Knights entered 2020 with three road wins the previous six seasons.

- Schiano earned his 70th victory leading the Scarlet Knights, three shy of tying John Bateman for third-most in program history.

- Rutgers improved to 2-0 against Purdue.

**QUICK FACTS**

**UNIVERSITY INFORMATION**

Location..... New Brunswick, N.J.  
 Founded.....1766  
 Enrollment.....69,000  
 President..... Jonathan Holloway  
 Director of Athletics..... Pat Hobbs  
 Nickname..... Scarlet Knights  
 Website..... ScarletKnights.com

**STADIUM INFORMATION**

Name..... SHI Stadium  
 Location.....Piscataway, N.J.  
 Capacity.....52,454  
 Surface.....FieldTurf  
 Largest Crowd.....53,774  
 ..... vs. Penn State, 2014

**PROGRAM HISTORY**

First Year of Football.....1869  
 All-Time Bowl Record.....6-4  
 All-Americans.....70  
 College Football Hall of Famers.....6

- Rutgers recorded 26 first downs, its most in a Big Ten game since joining the league.
- Rutgers dominated time of possession in the second half with 21:57 of ball control, its most in a second half of a Big Ten game. That included an 18-play drive lasting 9:38 from the third quarter into the fourth, the longest drive by the Scarlet Knights by time since a 10:40 season-opening march versus Cincinnati in 2009. The drive resulted in a Valentino Ambrosio field goal that extended the lead to 37-30. After a three-and-out capped by a tackle-for-loss by DL Mike Tverdov, RU converted two first downs on rushes by QB Johnny Langan to wipe off the final 5:26. Purdue took its last offensive snap with 6:09 remaining on the clock and ran only three plays in the fourth quarter, as RU possessed for 13:17 in the last period.
- QB Artur Sitkowski made his first start of the season and connected with WR Shameen Jones for a pair of 14-yard touchdown passes in the first quarter. It was the first multiple-touchdown game for both players, respectively.
- Langan rushed for 95 yards, his second-most in a game, on 21 carries with nine first downs picked up on a ground. Also accounted for 84 passing yards after connecting on all three attempts, including a 62-yard touchdown pass to RB Kay’Ron Adams.
- WR Aron Cruickshank ripped off a 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in the third quarter after Purdue scored to take a 30-20 lead. It was his third career such score, first for a Scarlet Knight since Janarion Grant’s 84-yarder versus Howard in 2016 and fifth 100-yard kickoff return in program history. In addition, it marked the second non-offensive touchdown this season and 53rd under Schiano.
- Following the first career interception by LB Mohamed Toure, RB Aaron Young put Rutgers on top, 34-30, on a one-yard rushing touchdown, his first career score.
- Defensively, Rutgers held Purdue to a season-low 237 passing yards after entering averaging 320.8 per game.

**TRIPLE OVERTIME**

- Last home game, Rutgers put together a 16-play, 75-yard drive over 4:40 to tie the game with 27 seconds remaining against Michigan. QB Noah Vedral found WR Aron Cruickshank on fourth-and-nine for an 11-yard touchdown and then ran in for the tying two-point conversion to force overtime. Vedral finished with a career-high 381 passing yards, eighth-most in a game in program history.
- After each team missed a field goal in the first frame, TE Jovani Haskins started the second extra period with a 25-yard receiving score, but the Wolverines matched. Michigan then recorded six points and held on for the 48-42 victory in triple overtime.
- It was the 12th overtime game in Rutgers history and third time reaching triple overtime. The Scarlet Knights reached overtime for the first time in Big Ten play, last playing in overtime in 2013 at SMU.
- Rutgers recorded season highs in points (42), total offense (486), yards per pass (8.7) and total plays (84). The 84 plays run were the most for RU in a Big Ten game. It was the fifth time RU posted at least 40 points in Big Ten play and first time since 2015 versus Maryland.
- Vedral completed passes to eight different receivers, with WR Shameen Jones (127) and WR Bo Melton (109) each reaching triple figures in yards, marking the second time in a Big Ten game the Scarlet Knights had multiple receivers with at least 100 receiving yards in a Big Ten game (Maryland 2014).
- QB Johnny Langan scored two rushing touchdowns to up his season to a team-high four scores on the ground.
- LB Olakunle Fatukasi increased his Big Ten lead with a career-high 17 tackles to go with a pair of sacks. DB Brendon White added a forced fumble with a career-high 15 stops.

**ILLINOIS**

- In a close game throughout, Rutgers fell to Illinois, 23-20, on a field goal with three seconds remaining.
- WR Bo Melton posted his second multiple-touchdown game of the season with 29 and 66-yard scores. He racked up a career-high 150 receiving yards. RB Isaih Pacheco notched 133 rushing yards. It was the third time RU had a 100-yard rusher and receiver in the same Big Ten game (2014 Indiana, 2015 Indiana).
- PK Valentino Ambrosio, previously a member of the Rutgers men’s soccer team, made his college football debut making all four attempts (two field goals, two extra points).
- Defensively, both LB Tyshon Fogg and LB Olakunle Fatukasi registered 13 tackles. DL Mike Tverdov tied his career high with seven stops and also forced a fumble recovered by DB Max Melton.

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**AT OHIO STATE**

- Rutgers took on its second-straight ranked opponent in No. 3 Ohio State and came up short in a second-half rally, 49-27. The Scarlet Knights outscored (24-14) and outgained (290-164) the Buckeyes in the second half, scoring three offensive and one special teams touchdowns. The 27 points were the most in RU program history on the road at a top-three ranked opponent (sixth game).
- Three Rutgers quarterbacks combined for 34 completions, the most for the team in a Big Ten game and one off the single-game school record of 35 set in 2005 versus West Virginia and 1988 versus Vanderbilt.
- Rutgers allowed one sack against an Ohio State defense that entered the game averaging four sacks per game and ranked third in the NCAA in the category.
- Rutgers executed lateral plays on kickoff return and punt return (DB Avery Young to WR Bo Melton 58-yard touchdown), also using a throwback to OL Raiqwon O’Neal for a score after using a direct snap to RB Isaih Pacheco for a 66-yard gain.

**HOME OPENER**

- In its home opener at SHI Stadium, Rutgers made it a 23-15 game in the third quarter, but No. 17 Indiana responded with a pair of touchdowns to take a 37-21 victory.
- WR Bo Melton had his first career multi-score game, while RB Kay’Ron Adams posted a career-high 63 rushing yards with a touchdown.
- Defensively, LB Olakunle Fatukasi notched 14 tackles with 2.5 for loss. DB Brendon White also reached double figures and DL CJ Onyechi picked up a sack.

**OPENING ROAD WIN**

- Rutgers put together a 75-yard touchdown drive on the first possession and forced a fumble on its first defensive play on the way to a wire-to-wire 38-27 win at Michigan State in the return of head coach Greg Schiano.
- The 11-point victory tied for the largest margin of win in a Big Ten road game (35-24 at Illinois in 2017). It was the fourth road Big Ten win overall for RU since joining the league.

# GAME 7: RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE

## SINGLE-GAME RECORDS

### RUSHING

**Yards (Team: 591 vs. Stevens - 11/21/1914)**

1. Ray Rice vs. Ball State (1/5/2008) 280

**Attempts (Team: 83 vs. NYU - 10/13/1952)**

1. Savon Huggins at Cincinnati (11/17/2012) 41

Jawan Jamison at USF (9/13/2012) 41

**Touchdowns (Team: 12 vs. RPI - 10/9/1915)**

1. "JJ" Jennings at Princeton (9/29/1973) 5

Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 5

**Longest Rushing Play From Scrimmage**

1. Mohamed Sanu vs. Tulane (10/2/10) 91

### RECEIVING

**Yards**

1. Tiquan Underwood vs. Buffalo (8/30/2007) 248

**Receptions**

1. Mohamed Sanu vs. Ohio (9/24/2011) 16

**Touchdowns**

1. Mark Harrison at Cincinnati (11/20/2010) 4

Chris Brantley vs. Virginia Tech (10/31/1992) 4

**Longest Reception**

1. George Carter at Temple (11/5/1977) 95

### PASSING

**Yards (Team: 447 vs. Louisville - 12/4/2008)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 447

**Attempts (Team: 57, three times, last at Syracuse (10/1/2011))**

1. Ryan Hart at Pittsburgh (10/23/2004) 57

**Completions (Team: 35 vs. Vanderbilt - 9/17/1988 & vs. West Virginia (10/30/2004))**

1. Ryan Hart vs. West Virginia (10/30/2004) 35

Scott Erney vs. Vanderbilt (9/17/1988) 35

**Touchdowns (Team: 7 vs. Louisville - 12/4/2008)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 7

**Longest Completion**

1. Bert Kosup at Temple (11/5/1977) 95

### DEFENSE

**Total Tackles**

1. Tyronne Stowe vs. West Virginia (11/8/1986) 27

**Sacks**

1. Mike Pellowski at Lafayette (9/20/1969) 4

**Interceptions**

1. Malik Jackson vs. Virginia Tech (10/31/1992) 3

Tony Pawlik vs. Lafayette (10/13/1973) 3

Larry Clymer vs. Colgate (11/21/1970) 3

John Pollock vs. Colgate (11/23/1968) 3

Sam Mudie at Colgate (11/18/1961) 3

**Longest Interception Return**

1. Mike Wittpen vs. Stevens (TD, 11/20/1915) 98

**Longest Fumble Return**

1. Paul Rivers vs. Pittsburgh, 10/28/1995 100

### SPECIAL TEAMS

**Longest Field Goal**

1. John Benestad vs. West Virginia (11/10/1990) 55

**Field Goal Attempts**

1. San San Te at Syracuse (10/1/2011) 7

Jeremy Ito at Illinois (9/3/2005) 7

Jeremy Ito vs. Michigan State (9/4/2004) 7

**Field Goals Converted**

1. Tom Angstadt vs. Cincinnati (9/29/1984) 5

**Extra Point Attempts**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 14

**Extra Points Converted**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 12

**Longest Punt**

1. Adam Korsak vs. Northwestern (10/20/2018) 79

**Longest Punt Return**

1. Tony Pawlik at Princeton (TD, 9/28/1974) 94

**Longest Kickoff Return**

1. Janarion Grant vs. Washington State (9/12/2015) 100

Janarion Grant at Fresno State (8/27/2013) 100

Nate Jones at Syracuse (10/26/2002) 100

Nate Jones at #11 Tennessee (9/28/2002) 100

### TOTAL OFFENSE

**Total Offense (Team: 781 vs. Colgate - 11/23/1974)**

1. Mike Teel vs. Louisville (12/4/2008) 447

**Scoring (Team: 96 vs. RPI - 10/9/1915)**

1. Howard Talman vs. RPI (10/9/1915) 48

**Total All-Purpose Yardage**

1. Janarion Grant vs. Washington State (9/12/2015) 337

• Rutgers defeated Michigan State for the first time in Big Ten play and for the fourth time overall. It was the third victory for RU at Spartan Stadium (1988, 1991). The 38 points are the most for RU in seven games played in East Lansing.

• Rutgers scored touchdowns on all four of its trips to the red zone and held Michigan State to just one trip to the red zone.

• Rutgers improved to 78-64-9 in season openers and 8-4 under Schiano.

• Rutgers held Michigan State to 50 rushing yards, least amount surrendered by the team in a Big Ten game since joining the conference.

### TURNOVERS CREATED

• The Scarlet Knights collected seven takeaways at Michigan State (five fumble recoveries, two interceptions), the most for the team in a game since seven at Pittsburgh in 2000. It was the ninth time under Schiano forcing at least five turnovers.

• It was the first time a Big Ten team recorded seven takeaways in a conference game since 2010 (@BTNStatsGuys).

• Rutgers scored 21 points off turnovers at Michigan State. The Scarlet Knights had 24 in 12 games last season. The last time with at least 21 in a game was 2008 at USF. RU used an interception by LB Mohamed Toure to take the lead in the victory at Purdue, making in 31 points off turnovers this year, the most since 2017 (12 games).

• Rutgers forced 10 turnovers in 12 games last season, with seven in nine Big Ten games. The Scarlet Knights have forced 11 turnovers through six games in 2020.

• Rutgers ranks fourth nationally and first in the Big Ten with 10 fumbles recovered. UCF, who has played nine games, is first with 13.

• Rutgers is 49-16 under Schiano when winning the turnover battle in a game.

• The school record for takeaways in a game is 10 (seven interceptions, three fumble recoveries) versus Temple in 1954.

### RUTGERS.FOOTBALL

• Displaying all things Rutgers football, videos with head coach Greg Schiano describing the core pillars of the program, F.A.M.I.L.Y, TRUST and CHOP, are showcased right at the top. More clips on how Rutgers gets you ready and past archives from the "Knight Vault" are found throughout the site, as well as on the new YouTube channel.

### ACADEMIC SUCCESS

• Rutgers posted its highest GPA ever as a program during the spring 2020 semester.

• Rutgers returns 19 student-athletes who earned a spot on the 2019 Academic All-Big Ten list (3.0 GPA or higher): DB Rani Abdulaziz, DL Mayan Ahanotu, QB Austin Albericci, OL Brendan Bordner, PK Justin Davidovicz, RB Parker Day, LB Tyshon Fogg, DL Robin Jutwreten, P Adam Korsak, LB Tyreek Maddox-Williams, OL

## NFL KNIGHTS (17)

Name	Team	Pos.
Blessuan Austin	New York Jets (IR)	CB
Michael Burton	New Orleans	FB
Andrew DePaola	Minnesota Vikings	LS
Gus Edwards	Baltimore Ravens	RB
Saquan Hampton	New York Jets (PS)	DB
Duron Harmon	Detroit Lions	S
Clark Harris	Cincinnati Bengals	LS
Sebastian Joseph-Day	Los Angeles Rams	DT
Tyler Kroft	Buffalo Bills	TE
Devin McCourty	New England Patriots	S
Jason McCourty	New England Patriots	CB
Andre Patton	Miami Dolphins (PS)	WR
Willington Previlon	Green Bay Packers (PS)	DT
Logan Ryan	New York Giants	DB
Mohamed Sanu	Detroit Lions	WR
Kamaal Seymour	Las Vegas Raiders (PS)	OL
Kemoko Turay	Indianapolis Colts	DE/LB

Zach Miseo, TE Brandon Myers, LB Aslan Pugh, LS Matthew Sportelli, DB Lawrence Stevens, OL Reggie Sutton, LS Billy Taylor, DL Mike Tverdov, QB Noah Vedral.

• PK Justin Davidovicz, LB Tyshon Fogg, DL Robin Jutwreten, P Adam Korsak, LS Billy Taylor, DL Mike Tverdov and QB Noah Vedral were also recognized as a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar (3.7 or better GPA during the academic year).

• Rutgers has seven graduate students on its roster: DL Malik Barrow, OL Brendan Bordner, DL Michael Dwumfour, P Adam Korsak, DL Elorm Lumor, LS Matthew Sportelli and QB Noah Vedral.

### DEBUTS

• Collegiate Debut: (14): PK Valentino Ambrosio, OL Bryan Felter, TE Victor Konopka, DL Aaron Lewis, DB Chris Long, WR Robert Longerbeam, DB Joe Lusardi, DB Max Melton, TE Tahjay Moore, RB Kyle Monangai, OL Cedrice Paillant, OL Hollin Pierce, WR Ahmirr Robinson, RB Jamier Wright-Collins

• Newcomer Debut (24): DL Mayan Ahanotu, PK Valentino Ambrosio, DL Malik Barrow, DL Ireland Burke, WR Aron Cruickshank, DL Michael Dwumfour, P Zach Feagles, OL Bryan Felter, TE Jovani Haskins, WR Monterio Hunt, TE Victor Konopka, DL Aaron Lewis, DB Chris Long, WR Robert Longerbeam, DB Joe Lusardi, DB Max Melton, RB Kyle Monangai, TE Tahjay Moore, OL Cedrice Paillant, OL Hollin Pierce, WR Ahmirr Robinson, QB Noah Vedral, DB Brendon White, RB Jamier Wright-Collins

• First Career Start (7): OL Brendan Bordner, WR Aron Cruickshank, OL Bryan Felter, DL Robin Jutwreten, DB Max Melton, OL Cedrice Paillant, DB Lawrence Stevens

• True Freshmen (12): OL Bryan Felter, TE Victor Konopka, DL Aaron Lewis, DB Chris Long, WR Robert Longerbeam, DB Joe Lusardi, DB Max Melton, RB Kyle Monangai, TE Tahjay Moore, OL Hollin Pierce, WR Ahmirr Robinson, RB Jamier Wright-Collins

**ROSTER BREAKDOWN**

- Returner (74), Newcomer (48)
- Freshman (35), Sophomore (23), Junior (24), Senior (40)
- QB (6), RB (9), WR (16), TE (8), OL (18), DL (24), LB (14), DB (18), LS (3), PK (3), P (3)
- New Jersey (72), New York (13), Pennsylvania (8), Maryland (5), Florida (3), Ohio (3), Connecticut (2), Canada (2), Mississippi (2), Sweden (2), Virginia (2), Australia (1), California (1), Delaware (1), Massachusetts (1), Nebraska (1), South Carolina (1), Tennessee (1), Texas (1)

**OFFENSE**

- A native of Glen Ridge, New Jersey, Sean Gleeson is in his first season as offensive coordinator at Rutgers. Gleeson spent 2019 in the same role at Oklahoma State and led an offense that averaged 32.5 points (36th nationally) and 453.9 yards (22nd nationally) per game with two ranked wins and a berth in the 2019 Texas Bowl. The balanced unit (2,985 rushing yards, 2,916 passing yards) also ranked 17th in the country with 229.6 rushing yards per game and 27th with a 64.1 completion percentage. Three offensive players earned All-Big 12 honors, including Big 12 Offensive Player Chuba Hubbard, Big 12 Offensive Freshman of the Year Spencer Sanders and second-team wide receiver Tylan Wallace. Hubbard was also named a consensus All-America pick and a Doak Walker Award finalist after leading the nation with 2,093 rushing yards and 179.54 all-purpose yards per game. Previously, Gleeson engineered one of the most explosive offenses in the Football Championship Subdivision and helped the Tigers to an undefeated 2018 season. In Gleeson's six years on staff, Princeton won three Ivy League championships and averaged 36.9 points per game, which marked the program's highest output over a six-year stretch in program history.
- Rutgers has scored first in 4-of-6 games and has scored a touchdown on its first offensive drive three times this season. The Scarlet Knights had scored a touchdown on its opening drive three times over the previous two seasons combined (24 games), only once against a Big Ten opponent (18 games).
- Rutgers has converted six of its last nine attempts on fourth down is 7-of-14 on the season.
- Rutgers went 10-for-17 on third down at Purdue, its third time converting at least 10 times in Big Ten play (2016 Minnesota, 2015 Indiana).
- Rutgers has gone for two on the PAT seven times, already its most in a season this century. The Scarlet Knights attempted eight two-point conversions the previous seven seasons combined.

• Rutgers is the one of the most improved of-  
fensive teams nationally from 2019. The Scarlet Knights are one of seven FBS teams that have surpassed their points total from last season and one of nine with more offensive touch-downs, as every other program has played at least eight games compared to six for RU. Rutgers has also posted the biggest gains in the Big Ten in scoring offense, total offense and passing offense.

**Scoring Offense (PPG) GP 2019 to 2020**

1. Kent St. (MAC)	4	+20.6
2. Buffalo (MAC)	4	+19.3
3. BYU (Independent)	9	+19.1
<b>4. Rutgers (Big Ten)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>+17.5</b>
18. Northwestern (Big Ten)	6	+8.5

**Points Scored GP 2019 to 2020**

1. Texas St. (Sun Belt)	12	+111
2. UTSA (C-USA)	11	+71
3. BYU (Independent)	9	+58
4. NC State (ACC)	10	+54
<b>5. Rutgers (Big Ten)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>+26</b>
6. Pittsburgh	10	+10
7. Georgia Tech (ACC)	8	+6
14. Northwestern (Big Ten)	6	-47

**Offensive Touchdowns GP 2019 to 2020**

1. Texas St. (Sun Belt)	12	+16
2. BYU (Independent)	9	+11
NC State (ACC)	10	+11
4. UTSA (C-USA)	11	+9
<b>5. Rutgers (Big Ten)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>+4</b>
Ole Miss (SEC)	8	+4
7. Pittsburgh (ACC)	10	+3
8. Georgia Tech (ACC)	8	+2
9. C. Carolina (Sun Belt)	9	+1
17. Northwestern (Big Ten)	6	-5

**Total Offense (YPG) GP 2019 to 2020**

1. Kent St. (MAC)	4	+200.9
2. Buffalo (MAC)	4	+123.5
3. West Virginia (Big 12)	8	+120.7
4. North Texas (C-USA)	7	+118.3
5. Ole Miss (SEC)	8	+117.7
6. Rice (C-USA)	3	+110.1
7. Georgia Tech (ACC)	8	+106.1
<b>8. Rutgers (Big Ten)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>+96.2</b>
28. Maryland (Big Ten)	4	+53.4

**Passing Offense (YPG) GP 2019 to 2020**

1. Ole Miss (SEC)	8	+162.5
2. Mississippi St. (SEC)	8	+144.9
3. Toledo (MAC)	4	+104.9
4. Kent St. (MAC)	4	+104.6
5. Rice (C-USA)	3	+101.3
6. Fresno St. (MWC)	4	+99
7. S. Alabama (Sun Belt)	10	+94.9
<b>8. Rutgers (Big Ten)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>+94.2</b>
9. Maryland (Big Ten)	4	+91

**RECORD BREAKDOWN**

	2020	GS
Overall	2-4	70-71
Home	0-3	41-35
Away	2-1	24-35
Neutral	0-0	5-1
Night	0-2	25-19
Overtime	0-1	3-3
Ranked in AP Poll	0-0	10-6
Against Ranked Opponent (AP Poll)	0-2	4-20
Scoring First	1-3	52-26
Leading at Halftime	1-2	51-18
Leading After Third Quarter	2-2	58-9
Score 20+ Points	2-4	64-29
Score 30+ Points	2-1	41-13
Score 40+ Points	0-1	15-2
Score 50+ Points	0-0	5-0
Allow < 10 Points	0-0	23-0
Allow < 20 Points	0-0	48-5
Allow < 30 Points	1-1	66-21
Score 3+ Offensive Touchdowns	2-3	48-21
Allow < 3 Offensive Touchdowns	0-1	53-16
More Total Offense	0-0	49-13
More Rushing Yards	2-1	49-7
More Rushing Attempts	2-0	51-14
More Passing Yards	0-2	44-35
More Passing Attempts	0-3	24-52
More Sacks	1-1	50-16
Fewer Turnovers	2-0	49-16
Fewer Penalties	0-1	35-29
300+ Yards Total Offense	1-3	57-33
400+ Yards Total Offense	1-2	30-17
500+ Yards Total Offense	0-0	9-4
Allow < 200 Yards Total Offense	0-0	16-0
Allow < 300 Yards Total Offense	0-0	39-5
200+ Yards Rushing	0-0	26-2
300+ Yards Rushing	0-0	2-0
Allow < 100 Yards Rushing	1-0	36-10
Allow < 200 Yards Rushing	2-1	61-35
200+ Yards Passing	1-3	42-36
300+ Yards Passing	0-1	11-16
Allow < 100 Yards Passing	0-0	12-4
Allow < 200 Yards Passing	0-1	42-29
20+ First Downs	1-2	31-23
25+ First Downs	1-0	10-7
Allow < 20 First Downs	0-0	51-32
40 Percent+ Third Downs	2-1	41-16
50 Percent+ Third Downs	1-0	20-6
Allow < 40 Percent Third Downs	1-2	56-37
Allow < 50 Percent Third Downs	2-3	64-53
3+ Sacks	1-0	42-16
4+ Sacks	0-0	29-5
5+ Sacks	0-0	23-2
Allow < 4 Sacks	2-3	62-40
Allow No Sacks	0-0	22-2
Commit No Turnovers	1-0	19-8
Commit < 3 Turnovers	1-2	53-35
Force 3+ Turnovers	1-0	36-17
Force 4+ Turnovers	1-0	20-5
Commit < 6 Penalties	0-0	32-24
Commit < 3 Penalties	0-0	7-3
Score a Defensive/ST Touchdown	1-1	31-15
Block a Kick	0-0	26-20

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## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Coaches		
Andrew Aurich		Aw-rick
Nunzio Campanile		campa-nell-E
Adam Scheier		shy-ur
Student-Athletes		
Rani Abdulaziz	Ronnie / abdul-az-ease	
Kessawn Abraham		kuh-sawn
Mayan Ahanotu	MY-in / uh-HON-uh-too	
Matt Alaimo		uh-lie-mo
Dami Awoyinka	da-me / uh-woah-in-fa	
Aron Cruickshank		crook-shank
Justin Davidovicz		da-vid-uh-vitz
Michael Dwumfour		DWUM-fore
Olakunle Fatukasi	oh-la-koon-le / fah-too-kah-see	
Tunde Fatukasi	tune-day / fah-too-kah-see	
Nyjon Freeman		ny-john
Jovani Haskins		joe-vaughn-E
Zukudo Igwenagu	ze-ku-doo / ee-gwan-a-goo	
Christian Izien		is-e-in
Shameen Jones		SHA-meen
Robin Jutwreten		yute-vret-en
Victor Konopka		con-op-ka
Jamree Kromah		crow-muh
Beau Lanzidelle		lan-zi-dell
Elorm Lumor		elum / lu-more
Tijaun Mason		tee-juan
Kyle Monangai		mon-uh-guy
Raigwon O'Neal		ray-quon
CJ Onyechi		on-yech-E
Cedrice Paillant	ced-reese / pay-lent	
Piotr Partyla	Peter / part-uh-la	
Brian Ugwu		oo-goo
Noah Vedral		VED-drull

Rutgers has shown offensive statistical improvements compared to through six Big Ten games last season. The Scarlet Knights scored 51 points and with six touchdowns overall in nine conference games in 2019.

Stat	2020	2019	+/-
Points	185*	24	+161
First Downs	126	61	+65
Rushing Yards	815	675	+140
Passing Yards	1,401	451	+950
Total Offense	2,216	1,126	+1,090
Touchdowns	24*	3	+21

\* - two touchdowns on special teams

Rutgers is on pace for its best season in Big Ten play in scoring and total offense.

Year	Points Per Game	Total Offense
2020	30.8	369.3
2019	5.7	208.9
2018	11.1	246.0
2017	13.8	226.6
2016	9.6	248.0
2015	21.3	338.9
2014	20.8	344.5

## Quarterbacks

### Johnny Langan

- Rushed for nine first downs at Purdue while running for 95 yards on the ground, including 53 in the fourth quarter. Also completed all three passes with a 62-yard touchdown strike.
- Leads the team and ranks seventh in the Big Ten with four rushing touchdowns. Had first career game with multiple rushing scores versus Michigan, previously reaching the end zone at Michigan State and Ohio State.
- Started eight games in 2019 and led the team with 1,231 yards of total offense. Accounted for seven touchdowns (four passing, three rushing).
- Rushed for 391 yards, the most by a Rutgers quarterback since Sam Mudie had 401 in 1961 and third most by a Big Ten quarterback following the 2019 regular season. Rushed for a team-high 30 first downs, including 15 times on third down and three times on fourth down.
- Rushed for 118 yards in the win over Liberty to become the first Rutgers quarterback to reach the century mark in a game since Sam Mudie (105) versus Lehigh in 1961. Named Big Ten Co-Freshman of the Week after the performance.
- Passed for a career-high 192 yards versus Liberty, including first two passing touchdowns.
- Redshirted 2018 season at Boston College. Transferred to Rutgers for spring semester and ruled eligible for 2019 season after appeal.
- Played high school football for Nunzio Campanile, now Rutgers tight ends coach, at Bergen Catholic.

### Artur Sitkowski

- Made 14th career start and first this year at Purdue, going 19-for-28 for 152 yards and two touchdowns for first collegiate game with multiple scoring throws.
- Went 9-for-13 passing for 62 yards in season debut at Ohio State.
- Threw for a career-high 304 passing yards, his first collegiate game reaching 300, against Boston College in 2019.
- Has four games with 20 or more completions and four with at least 200 passing yards.
- Completed at least 66 percent of passes in last three starts: 2020 at Purdue (67.9), 2019 at Michigan (69.9) and 2019 versus Boston College (70.8).
- Became the third Rutgers true freshman quarterback to make double-digit starts in 2018, joining Tom Savage (11 in 2009) and Ryan Cubit (all 11 in 2001). Just one of 11 true freshmen to start at quarterback for the Scarlet Knights since 1945. Became the first Rutgers true freshman to start the season opener at quarterback since Ryan Cubit in 2001.
- Had career-high 29 completions in 2018 against Illinois. Utilized eight different receivers and had a stretch of 12 consecutive completions.

- Originally from Old Bridge, N.J., and played for Old Bridge High School for three seasons, earning All-GMC Red Division by *NJ.com* and *Gannett NJ* in 2016, before attending IMG Academy in Bradenton, Fla., as a senior. Helped the team to a 9-0 record in 2017 by finishing 45-of-79 for 370 yards and two touchdowns.

### Cole Snyder

- Went 3-for-3 passing for 35 yards and ran for a first down in a series of action at No. 12 Penn State last season.

### Noah Vedral

- Started the first five games before missing the Purdue game due to injury (non-COVID).
- Passed for a career-high 381 yards against Michigan, eighth-most in a game in program history. Became third Rutgers quarterback to pass for to pass for over 300 yards in a Big Ten game (Gary Nova, Chris Laviano).
- Seeks to be the first Rutgers quarterback with over 300 passing yards in back-to-back starts since Mike Teel has three consecutive to end the 2008 season.
- Ranks sixth in the Big Ten with 1,104 passing yards.
- Ranks 13th nationally and second in the Big Ten with 22.2 completions per game. Has four games with over 20 completions this season, with a high of 29 versus Michigan. Seeks to be first Rutgers quarterback with five consecutive games with 20 or more completions since Ryan Hart in the last five games of 2004.
- Has 16 completions of at least 20 yards with two touchdown passes of over 60 yards.
- Notched a career-high three touchdown passes versus Michigan and now has eight on the season, fourth-most in the Big Ten. The Rutgers record for touchdown passes in a Big Ten season is 10 (Chris Laviano in 2015, Gary Nova in 2014).
- Recorded a career-long 24-yard rushing touchdown against Michigan State. Second on the team with 12 rushing first downs.
- Started games versus Minnesota and Indiana in 2019 for Nebraska. Led the Cornhuskers on a game-ending six-play, 42-yard, one-minute scoring drive that culminated with the game-winning 24-yard field goal to beat Northwestern. Had six completions of at least 30 yards last year.
- Started career in 2017 as the backup quarterback for UCF, who went 13-0 as the nation's only undefeated team. Completed 22-of-29 passes for 276 yards and one touchdown, adding added 77 rushing yards and two touchdowns on the ground.

## Running Backs

### Kay/Ron Adams

- Scored first receiving touchdown on a 62-yard catch and run at Purdue.
- Posted a career-high 63 rushing yards versus Indiana, including a career-long 37-yard score.

- Totaled 161 rushing yards on 48 carries with one touchdown (versus Minnesota) as a true freshman in 2019.

### Isaih Pacheco

- Ranks fifth in the Big Ten with 390 rushing yards.
- Totaled a season-high 133 rushing yards against Illinois for sixth career game reaching triple digits (2019 Penn State, 2019 Liberty, 2019 Massachusetts, 2018 Michigan, 2018 Maryland). Career high is 156 versus Massachusetts last season.
- Recorded a season-long 66-yard run at Ohio State. Now has 13 career rushes of at least 20 yards and three of 50 or more, with career-best being an 80-yarder for a touchdown versus fourth-ranked Michigan in 2019, the longest run by a true freshman in program history.
- Scored two touchdowns at Michigan State for third game with multiple scores. Has 12 career rushing touchdowns.
- Leads the team with 14 rushing first downs.
- Set career highs with five receptions and 37 yards at MSU. Notched a receiving two-point conversion versus Indiana. Has 14 catches on the season after totaling 15 the previous two seasons.
- Led the team in 2019 with 729 rushing yards, 169 carries, seven rushing touchdowns and 31 first downs. Finished second with 812 all-purpose yards.
- Ranked sixth among Big Ten freshmen and 26th among all freshmen nationally with 45.9 rushing yards per game in 2018. Finished second on the team with 910 all-purpose yards (551 rushing, 348 kickoff return, 11 receiving) as a true freshman.

### Aaron Young

- Recorded at least one reception in all six games.
- Scored first collegiate touchdown on a one-yard run to give Rutgers a lead it would not relinquish in win at Purdue.
- Led the team with 823 all-purpose yards (550 kickoff return, 153 rushing, 113 receiving, seven punt return) as a rookie. Had three games with over 100 all-purpose yards and led the team in six contests.
- Ranked fourth in the Big Ten following the regular season with 557 combined kick return yards (550 kickoff, seven punt).
- Younger brother of defensive back Avery Young.

### Wide Receivers

#### Aron Cruickshank

- Tied for the team lead with 30 receptions, including three games with at least seven.
- Ran back a 100-yard kickoff return for a touchdown at Purdue for third career such score. It was the fifth 100-yarder in Rutgers history and first of any kind since 2016.

- Ranks first in the league with 464 combined kick return yards. Ranks second in the Big Ten with 24.4 yards per kickoff return and fourth with 117.7 all-purpose yards per game. Paces the Scarlet Knights with 706 all-purpose yards overall.

- Recorded career highs with eight receptions for 84 yards versus Michigan, including first collegiate receiving score to help tie the game on a fourth down with 27 seconds remaining.
- Played in 27 games for Wisconsin the previous two seasons. Made first collegiate start in Rutgers debut at Michigan State.
- Named Second Team All-Big Ten (coaches & media) in 2019.
- Totaled 674 kickoff return yards on 23 attempts last season. Average of 29.3 yards per kickoff return ranked second in the Big Ten and fifth nationally.
- Had an 89-yard return at Nebraska and a 95-yard return against No. 6 Oregon in the Rose Bowl for touchdowns. The one in Pasadena marked just the third kickoff return score in Rose Bowl history.
- Scored rushing touchdowns versus Purdue in 2019 and against Illinois in 2018.

### Shameen Jones

- Totaled multiple catches in all six games.
- Recorded a pair of 14-yard touchdown receptions at Purdue for first collegiate multi-score game. Totaled a career-high eight catches in the win.
- Had a personal-best 127 receiving yards on seven catches versus Michigan.
- Has recorded a first down or touchdown on 18-of-27 catches.
- Hauled in a 14-yard touchdown at Michigan State for second career score. Notched first versus Indiana in 2018.

### Bo Melton

- Added to the Biletnikoff Award watch list on Nov. 19. The honor annually recognizes the college football season's outstanding FBS receiver. Any player, regardless of position (wide receiver, tight end, slot back, and running back) who catches a pass is eligible for the award.
- Ranks fourth in the Big Ten with five receiving touchdowns, sixth with six total touchdowns, sixth with 474 receiving yards and 10th with 100.5 all-purpose yards per game.
- Set a career high in receiving yards in a season after five games after totaling 755 the previous 36 games played.
- Notched second multiple-touchdown game against Illinois. Owns five receiving scores this season after recording two the previous three seasons. The last Scarlet Knight with at least five receiving scores in a season was Andre Patton with five in 2016.
- Totaled a career-high 150 receiving yards against Illinois and added 109 versus Michigan for third career game with over 100 (2019 Massachusetts).

- Has led team in receiving yards in 4-of-6 games this season with at least three catches each game. Has led the team in receiving yards 12 times in career overall.

- Posted a game-high 170 all-purpose yards (86 receiving, 58 punt return, 26 kick return) at Ohio State for most in career. Brought a punt return 58 yards for a touchdown after receiving a lateral from DB Avery Young for first RU punt return touchdown since Janarion Grant in 2016 versus New Mexico.
- Has recorded a first down or touchdown on 20-of-30 receptions this season.
- Posted eight receptions for at least 20 yards, including two over 60 yards. Owns 20 career receptions of at least 20 yards. Recorded career-long 66-yard touchdown versus Illinois.
- Has recorded a reception in 18 consecutive games, longest streak by a Scarlet Knight since Leonte Carroo had 28 consecutive from 2013-15. Became first Rutgers wide receiver since 2015 (Janarion Grant) to record a reception in every game of the season in 2019.
- Led the team in 2019 with 30 receptions for 427 yards. Picked up 17 receiving first downs, including six on third down and three on fourth down.
- Averaging 13.4 yards per reception on 92 career catches. Has 22 career games with multiple catches.
- Tied for the team lead with 42 games of experience and leads the offense with 28 starts, including 22 consecutive.
- Father, Gary, played wide receiver and running back at Rutgers (1987-91) and mother, Vicky, competed for Rutgers women's basketball (1989-93). Young brother, Max, is a freshman defensive back.

### Isaiah Washington

- Has six career games with multiple catches after totaling three receptions against Illinois and four at Ohio State.
- Scored first career touchdown on a 51-yard reception versus Liberty last season.
- Recorded 14 career first downs.

### Paul Woods

- Collected three catches at Michigan last season and matched the mark this year at Ohio State.

### Tight Ends

#### Matt Alaimo

- Collected six receptions this season, including two against both Purdue and Ohio State.
- Recorded six receptions with five picking up a first down in 2019, averaging 10 yards per catch.
- Spent 2018 season at UCLA.

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## Jovani Haskins

- Registered receiving touchdowns against Michigan and Ohio State.
- Played in 23 games for West Virginia the previous two seasons, recording 20 catches for 166 yards. Had receiving a touchdown versus Kansas in 2018.
- Named to the 2019 Mackey Award preseason watch list.
- Started career at Miami (Fla.) in 2016 and red-shirted.

## Offensive Line

### Nick Krimin

- Leads the position group with 37 games of collegiate experience and 21 starts.
- Started all 12 games at right guard in 2019 and second on the offense with 756 snaps played.

### Raiqwon O'Neal

- Started the first five games at left tackle before missing the Purdue game due to injury (non-COVID).
- Scored a four-yard rushing touchdown on a lateral at Ohio State.
- Also involved with keeping the ball alive in the multiple-lateral play against Indiana.

## DEFENSE

- Robb Smith is in his first season back as defensive coordinator. He previously spent four seasons on the Scarlet Knights' staff from 2009-12 and also worked with Schiano at the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Smith served in various capacities on the Rutgers staff, including defensive coordinator and secondary coach in 2012, special teams coordinator and linebackers coach in 2011, special teams coordinator and cornerbacks coach in 2010 and special teams coordinator and outside linebackers coach in 2009. The 2012 season saw Rutgers claim its first conference title since 1961 and the fifth in school history. The Scarlet Knights finished the year ranked fourth in the nation in points allowed per game (14.2), sixth in rushing yards allowed per game (95.2), 10th in total defense (311.6 yards per game) and tied for third in rushing touchdowns allowed (6). Rutgers allowed just 91 points against seven Big East opponents, ranking as the eighth-lowest total in conference history. The defense held opponents to 95.2 rushing yards per game, only the third time in school history the Scarlet Knights kept the opponent average below 100 yards.
- The 50 rushing yards allowed at Michigan State marked the least permitted for Rutgers in a Big Ten game since joining the conference in 2014. It was the fourth time holding a league opponent under 100 during that span.
- Rutgers led Big Ten teams during week one with 12 tackles-for-loss, added seven week two and collected eight more at Ohio State and ranks second in the conference with 6.7 per game.

- Rutgers has shown defensive statistical improvements compared to through six Big Ten games last season.

Stat	2020	2019	+/-
Points	214*	245	-31
Rushing Yards	1,022	1,197	-175
Total Offense	2,583	2,728	-145
Touchdowns	27*	33	-6

\* - one touchdown on special teams

## Defensive Line

### Mayan Ahanotu

- Started career at Minnesota, reuniting with defensive line coach Jim Panagos at Rutgers.
- Father, Chidi, played college football at California and then played 12 years at defensive end in the NFL with five different teams, totaling 436 career tackles, 46.5 sacks and seven fumble recoveries.

### Malik Barrow

- Appeared in four games for UCF in 2019 and in two games for Ohio State on Greg Schiano's defensive unit in 2017.

### Ireland Burke

- Made Rutgers debut against Illinois.
- Played in nine games for Boston College in 2019.

### Michael Dwumfour

- Played in 33 contests for Michigan the previous four seasons.
- Owns 9.0 career tackles-for-loss with four sacks. Had an interception versus Indiana in 2018.

### Robin Jutwreten

- Forced an intentional grounding for first collegiate sack at Michigan State and added second at Ohio State.
- Had a tackle in 11 different games in 2019.
- Rutgers offensive lineman Sam Vretman is also from Sweden and both competed on the Arlanda Jets together.

### Jamree Kromah

- Had a sack in collegiate debut versus Massachusetts last season.

### Elorm Lumor

- Tied for second on the active roster with 12.5 career tackles-for-loss and first with eight sacks.

### Tijaun Mason

- Broke up a pass in the 2019 win over Liberty.

### CJ Onyechi

- Picked up a sack against Indiana and at Ohio State. Has at least one tackle-for-loss in each game and 5.5 overall this season.
- Had 3.5 tackles-for-loss with two sacks in 2019.
- Brought down Saquon Barkley for a six-yard loss in 2017.

## Julius Turner

- Tied for the team lead with 42 games of experience and holds the most starts (28) on the defense.
- Tied for 15th in the Big Ten with 5.0 tackles-for-loss. Ranks tied for second on the active roster with 12.5 career tackles-for-loss.
- Posted three tackles-for-loss at Ohio State, most in a game for a Rutgers defensive lineman since Justin Francis against USF in 2011.
- Led the defensive line with 45 tackles in 2019, with 41 coming against the run.
- One of 15 players nationally to block two kicks in the regular season last year.
- Batted down four career passes.

## Mike Tverdov

- Dropped the ball carrier for a five-yard loss on third down to force a punt and let Rutgers run out the clock in win at Purdue. Now has 12.5 career tackles-for-loss, tied for second-most on the roster.
- Matched career high with seven tackles and forced a fumble against Illinois.
- Recovered second career fumble at Ohio State.
- Totaled 43 tackles with 2.5 for loss, an assisted sack, two pass breakups and a blocked kick in 2019.
- Tied for the team lead with four sacks in 2018.
- Brother, Pete, was a four-year standout for the Scarlet Knights from 2005-08 along the defensive line.

## Linebackers

### Rashawn Battle

- Owns 63 career tackles with three sacks.
- Recorded an interception in collegiate debut versus Morgan State in 2017.

### Olakunle Fatukasi

- Selected as a semifinalist for the Butkus Award. The award honors the nation's best linebackers and includes 16 semifinalists (two from the Big Ten) at the collegiate level.
- Ranks first in the Big Ten with 75 tackles (52 against run, 19 against pass, two sacks, one on special teams and one forcing a fumble) and fifth nationally with 12.5 per game.
- Recorded double-digit stops in the first five games. The last Scarlet Knight to achieve the feat was Aaron Brady (six games) in 1998. Has seven career games in double figures overall.
- The 75 tackles are the most by a Scarlet Knight through six games since Brian Sheridan totaled 83 in the first six games of the 1997 season.
- Second in the Big Ten with 9.0 tackles-for-loss, 24th nationally at 1.5 per game. Has multiple stops in the backfield in 4-of-6 games with a high 2.5 versus Michigan and Indiana.
- Ranks second in the team with 187 career with a career-high 17 versus Michigan. Leads the active roster with 15.0 career tackles-for-loss.



- Named Bednarik Award National Player of the Week and Big Ten Co-Defensive Player of the Week after posting 10 tackles, two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble at Michigan State. Second RU player to win Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (Johnathan Aiken, Sept. 1, 2014).
- First Scarlet Knight with multiple fumble recoveries in a game since Lorenzo Waters versus North Carolina in the 2014 Quick Lane Bowl.
- First Scarlet Knight with two fumble recoveries and a forced fumble in the same game since Deway Thompson at Pittsburgh in 2000.
- Second on the team and 11th in the Big Ten following the 2019 regular season at 85 tackles.
- Recovered a fumble for a touchdown in the 2018 win over Texas State. Has four career fumble recoveries overall, most on the roster.
- Older Brother, Folorunso, is a member of the New York Jets. Younger brother, Tunde, is an offensive lineman with the Scarlet Knights.

### **Tyshon Fogg**

- Leads the active roster with 228 career tackles. Ranks tied for third in the Big Ten with 58 tackles this year.
- Has recorded double-digit stops in a game seven times, including twice in 2020.
- Forced a fumble at Ohio State.
- Led or tied the team lead in tackles in a game 10 times.
- Selected honorable mention All-Big Ten by the coaches and media and named to the All-ECAC Defense in 2019.
- Led the team and ranked third in the Big Ten following the regular season with 104 tackles. Had a team-high 83 stops against the run.
- Originally from Asbury Park, New Jersey before moving to Maryland in sixth grade.

### **Deion Jennings**

- Totaled 38 tackles in 2019.
- Hauled in an interception in the end zone versus Michigan State last year. Collected three tackles-for-loss versus Minnesota.

### **Tyreek Maddox-Williams**

- Second on the defense with 27 career starts.
- Third on the active roster with 158 career tackles.

### **Drew Singleton**

- Led the team in tackles in two games in 2019.
- Started career at Michigan and appeared in seven games on special teams in 2018.
- Rated No. 1 prospect in New Jersey by *247Sports* out of high school.

### **Mohamed Toure**

- Leads the team with three sacks and 13th in the league with 0.5 per game.
- Recorded first career interception that led to the go-ahead score at Purdue.
- Leads the team with six tackles on special teams, all on kickoff coverage.

- Recorded a career-high six tackles versus Michigan.
- Forced two fumbles on two sacks and added a pass deflection at Michigan State. One of four Big Ten players with two sacks during week one.
- Became first Scarlet Knight with two sacks (matched by LB Olakunle Fatukasi versus Michigan) in a game since Julian Pinnix-Odrick versus Howard in 2016, first to do it against FBS opponent since Kemoko Turay at Washington State in 2014 and first to do it in a conference game since Darius Hamilton (2.5 sacks) at UCF (American) in 2013.
- First Scarlet Knight with multiple forced fumbles in a game (also with Avery Young) since Lorenzo Waters at SMU in 2013.
- First Scarlet Knight with at least two sacks and two forced fumbles in a game since Ramel Meekins (2.0 sacks, three forced fumbles) at Navy in 2006.

### **Defensive Backs**

#### **Kessawn Abraham**

- Tied for the team lead with four tackles on special teams in 2018.

#### **Tre Avery**

- Recorded six tackles with a breakup as the primary defender of Purdue's All-American Rondale Moore, as Rutgers held the Boilermakers to a season-low 237 passing yards after entering with an average of 320.8 per game.
- Had a career-high seven tackles versus Michigan and Michigan State.
- Tied for the team lead with two interceptions (Penn State, Massachusetts) in 2019. Posted third career pick in 2020 season opener at Michigan State.
- Recorded first career sack, which forced a fumble and led to a touchdown, against Ohio State.

#### **Christian Izien**

- Had third career game with 10 or more tackles with 10 against Illinois.
- Led the secondary with 78 tackles last year, tying for the team lead with 27 stops against the pass. Added five tackles on kickoff coverage to pace the team.
- Recorded a team high in tackles in four games last season.

#### **Max Melton**

- First true freshman to start this season, picking up four solo tackles at Ohio State.
- One of two true freshman to play in season opener at Michigan State, picking up six tackles (five solo).
- Father, Gary, played wide receiver and running back at Rutgers (1987-91) and mother, Vicky, competed for Rutgers women's basketball (1989-93). Older brother, Bo, is a senior wide receiver.

### **Lawrence Stevens**

- Earned first collegiate start against Illinois and posted a career-high seven tackles.
- Owns 25 career tackles on special teams to lead the active roster, including five in 2020 (three kickoff, two punt).
- Recorded a team-high eight tackles on special teams (five punt, three kickoff) last year. Forced a fumble on kickoff coverage versus Liberty and recovered a muffed punt against Ohio State.

### **Brendon White**

- Recorded a career-high two pass breakups in the win at Purdue.
- Recorded a career-high 15 tackles versus Michigan and forced a fumble.
- Recovered a fumble, collected an interception and registered five tackles in Rutgers debut at Michigan State.
- Recorded 66 tackles with a sack and an interception in 29 games the three previous seasons (2017-19) for Ohio State. Played for then-defensive coordinator Greg Schiano in 2017 and 2018.
- Named 2019 Rose Bowl Defensive Most Valuable Player with eight tackles, two tackles-for-loss and an interception on a two-point conversion in win over No. 9 Washington.
- Notched an interception with a 49-yard return versus No. 4 Michigan in 2018.
- Father, William, was a 1987 Ohio State captain and an All-Big Ten defensive back who went on to have an 11-year career in the NFL playing for the Detroit Lions, Kansas City Chiefs and Atlanta Falcons.

### **Avery Young**

- Collected 10 tackles and two forced fumbles at Michigan State. Third career game with double-digit tackles.
- First Scarlet Knight with multiple forced fumbles in a game (also with Mohamed Toure) since Lorenzo Waters at SMU in 2013.
- Leads the active roster with 18 career passes defended (17 breakups, one interception).
- Second on the defense with 786 snaps played last season.
- Recorded first collegiate interception against Massachusetts in 2019.
- Led the secondary with 66 tackles with 35 against the run, 30 in pass coverage and one on special teams in 2018.
- Has 23 career punt returns with a long of 22 yards. Also threw a cross-field lateral on a punt return to setup a 58-yard touchdown by Bo Melton at Ohio State this season.
- Older brother of running back Aaron Young.

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## SPECIAL TEAMS

- Adam Scheier is in his first season as Rutgers' special teams coordinator. A native of The Bronx, New York, Scheier brings 24 years of collegiate coaching experience into 2020, including the last 20 working with special teams.
- Since 2009, Rutgers has blocked 55 kicks (field goals, extra points & punts) on special teams, more than any team in the NCAA during that span. Breaking down the blocked kicks since 2009, Rutgers has swatted 23 punts, 24 field goals and eight extra points. The Scarlet Knights have scored directly nine times after a block, picking up eight touchdowns and one safety. Rutgers has blocked at least two kicks every season from 2002-19. The Scarlet Knights have 90 rejections overall in that period.
- RU blocked 60 kicks during Schiano's first tenure (2001-11) to rank among the nation's leaders, while scoring 51 defensive/special teams touchdowns in 44 different games. The 52nd such score came on a punt return at Ohio State.
- Rutgers finished first in the Big Ten and 15th nationally with a net punt of 41.49 in 2019. The mark reset the school record for the second-straight season. The 2020 mark is currently at 41.48, second in the conference.
- Rutgers is second the Big Ten this season with 13.4 yards per punt return, including a 58-yard touchdown at Ohio State. The kickoff return unit is also second in the league (25.33) following a 100-yard score at Purdue.

## Valentino Ambrosio

- Made college football debut against Illinois with two successful field goals (long of 29) and two extra points.
- Added field goals from 38 and 42 yards versus Michigan and from 28 yards at Purdue to improve to 5-of-6 on the season.
- Played in 18 games with 12 starts for Rutgers men's soccer in 2019 and saw action in 13 games for Fairleigh Dickinson in 2018.
- Named *NJ.com* 2017 First Team All-State as kicker with five field goals (long of 45) and 21 extra points.

## Justin Davidovicz

- Executed a recovered on-side kick against Indiana.
- Leads the active roster with 95 career points.
- Is 20-for-26 career on field goals, including 16-for-18 on attempts inside 40 yards.
- A perfect 35-for-35 career on extra points.
- Owns two makes of at least 50 yards (50 vs. Boston College in 2019, 52 vs. Indiana in 2018) in as many attempts. Career-high 52-yarder ranks as the longest in SHI Stadium history (since 1938) and tied for the fourth-longest in Rutgers history.
- Named honorable mention All-Big Ten in the coaches' vote in 2018.

## Guy Fava

- Made a 44-yard field goal and all five extra points in first collegiate game as place kicker at Michigan State.
- Booted 11 kickoffs with a pair of touchbacks last season.

## Zach Feagles

- Made Rutgers debut as the holder at Purdue.
- Played in 23 games for Miami (Fla.) in 2017 and 2018.
- Averaging 38.7 yards on 102 yards with 36 downed inside the 20, 12 of at least 50 yards. Had a career-long 56-yard attempt versus Pittsburgh in 2018.
- Son of 22-year NFL veteran Jeff Feagles.

## Adam Korsak

- Played in 30 career games, all as the starting punter, since debuting in 2018.
- Averaging 42.6 yards per punt on 27 attempts with no touchbacks, owning three of at least 50 yards with a long of 66 versus Illinois.
- Has 25 career boots of at least 50 yards and seven of at least 60 yards.
- Only five touchbacks in 181 career attempts (2.7 percent).
- Earned Preseason All-America honors from *Associated Press*, *Athlon Sports* and *Phil Steele*.
- One of 19 punters nationally to be named to the Ray Guy Award preseason watch list.
- Named one of 10 national semifinalists for the 2019 Ray Guy Award. Selected All-Big Ten by the coaches (second team) and media (third team).
- Led the Big Ten, ranked 15th nationally and reset the Rutgers school record for the second-straight year with a net punt of 41.5 yards last year. No return on 56-of-76 attempts (33 fair catches) and zero blocked.
- Averaged 43.8 yards, third in program history and third in the Big Ten, on 76 attempts with 31 downed inside the 20, 18 inside the 10 and nine inside the 5 with only two touchbacks.
- Named the Ray Guy Award Punter of the Week three times last season (Iowa, Boston College, Indiana).
- Earned first Ray Guy Award Punter of the Week on Sept. 10, 2019 after averaging 47.6 yards on 10 attempts at Iowa, finishing with a net of 46.5. Had seven punts downed inside the 20, five inside the 10 and four inside the 5. That included a season-long 69-yarder, tied for the seventh-longest in program history, that settled at the 1.
- Helped Rutgers to its best net punt mark in school history (since broken) at 40.1 yards (17th nationally) in first season playing football at any level. Named honorable mention All-Big Ten by the coaches and media.
- Set the school record, which had stood since 2006, with a 79-yard punt against Northwestern, which tied for the fourth-longest punt in the nation in 2018.

- Prepped at Maribyrnong College, where he competed in Australian rules football, cricket and golf. A four-time state representative in Australian football and cricket.

## Billy Taylor

- Played in 42 career games (tied for team lead), all as the starting long snapper.
- Named to the Patrick Mannelly Award (top FBS senior long snapper) preseason watch list in August, as well as being First Team Preseason All-Big Ten by *Phil Steele*.
- A semifinalist for the 2020 William V. Campbell Trophy. The award recognizes an individual as the absolute best football scholar-athlete in the nation for his combined academic success, football performance and exemplary leadership. A finance major with a concentration in business analytics, holding a 3.8 GPA, and worked internships with TD Bank and Mass Mutual/RU Financial.

## UP NEXT

- Rutgers travels to Maryland on Dec. 12 for its eighth and final scheduled game prior to Big Ten Champions Week. It will be the 16th all-time meeting on the gridiron. The game time and television network will be determined Saturday night or Sunday morning.

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CAREER HIGHS

OFFENSE

**QUARTERBACKS**

**JOHNNY LANGAN**

Pass Att ..... 26, Ohio State (11/16/19)  
 Completions ..... 15, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 Pass Yds ..... 192, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 Pass TDs ..... 2, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 Pass LG ..... 62, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rush Yds ..... 118, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 32, Indiana (10/12/19)  
 Rush TDs ..... 2, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Receptions ..... 1, two times

**ARTUR SITKOWSKI**

Pass Att ..... 46, Illinois (10/6/18)  
 Completions ..... 29, Illinois (10/6/18)  
 Pass Yds ..... 304, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 Pass TDs ..... 2, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Pass LG ..... 74, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 Rush Yds ..... 9, Wisconsin (11/3/18/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 12, Northwestern (10/20/18)  
 Rush TDs .....

**COLE SNYDER**

Pass Att ..... 3, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Completions ..... 3, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Pass Yds ..... 35, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Pass TDs .....

Pass LG ..... 21, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Rush Yds ..... 6, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 6, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Rush TDs .....

**NOAH VEDRAL**

Pass Att ..... 43, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Completions ..... 29, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Pass Yds ..... 381, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Pass TDs ..... 3, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Pass LG ..... 66, Illinois (11/14/20)  
 Rush Yds ..... 49, Minnesota (10/12/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 24, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Rush TDs ..... 2, Indiana (10/26/19)

**RUNNING BACKS**

**KAY'RON ADAMS**

Rush Att ..... 10, Illinois (11/2/19)  
 Rush Yds ..... 63, Indiana (10/31/20)  
 LG Rush ..... 37, Indiana (10/31/20)  
 Rush TDs ..... 1, two times  
 Receptions ..... 2, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rec. Yds ..... 68, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 LG Reception ..... 62, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 1, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 69, Purdue (11/28/20)

**ISAIH PACHECO**

Rush Att ..... 22, Maryland (10/13/18)  
 Rush Yds ..... 156, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 LG Rush ..... 80, Michigan (11/10/18)  
 Rush TDs ..... 4, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 Receptions ..... 5, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Rec. Yds ..... 37, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 LG Reception ..... 23, Iowa (9/7/19)  
 Rec. TDs .....

All-Purpose Yds ..... 213, Michigan (11/10/19)

**AARON YOUNG**

Rush Att ..... 13, Illinois (11/2/19)  
 Rush Yds ..... 67, Illinois (11/2/19)  
 LG Rush ..... 17, Illinois (11/2/19)  
 Rush TDs ..... 1, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Receptions ..... 5, Indiana (10/31/20)  
 Rec. Yds ..... 35, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 LG Reception ..... 39, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Rec. TDs .....

KOR LG ..... 48, Maryland (10/5/19)  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 191, Maryland (10/5/19)

**WIDE RECEIVERS**

**ARON CRUICKSHANK**

Receptions ..... 8, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rec. Yards ..... 84, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 LG Reception ..... 43, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 1, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rush Att ..... 3, Purdue (11/23/19)  
 Rush Yds ..... 47, Purdue (11/23/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 27, two times  
 Rush TDs ..... 1, two times  
 KOR Yds ..... 194, Oregon (1/1/20)  
 KOR LG ..... 100, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 PR Yds ..... 14, Central Michigan (9/7/19)  
 PR LG ..... 13, Central Michigan (9/7/19)  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 194, Oregon (1/1/20)

**CHRISTIAN DREMEL**

Receptions ..... 2, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Rec. Yards ..... 19, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 LG Reception ..... 14, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rec. TDs .....

All-Purpose Yds ..... 19, Penn State (11/30/19)

**MONTERIO HUNT**

Receptions .....

Rec. Yards ..... 7, FIU (10/28/17)  
 LG Reception .....

Rec. TDs .....

All-Purpose Yds ..... 7, FIU (10/28/17)

**SHAMEEN JONES**

Receptions ..... 8, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rec. Yards ..... 127, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 LG Reception ..... 38, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 2, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 Rush Att ..... 2, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rush Yds ..... 6, Texas State (9/1/18)  
 Rush LG ..... 6, two times  
 Rush TDs .....

All-Purpose Yds ..... 127, Michigan (11/21/20)

**BO MELTON**

Receptions ..... 7, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rec. Yards ..... 150, Illinois (11/14/20)  
 LG Reception ..... 66, Illinois (11/14/20)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 2, two times  
 Rush Att ..... 2, two times  
 Rush Yds ..... 21, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 Rush LG ..... 21, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 Rush TDs .....

PR LG ..... 58, Ohio State (11/7/20)  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 170, Ohio State (11/7/20)

**ISAIH WASHINGTON**

Receptions ..... 4, three times  
 Rec. Yards ..... 89, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 LG Reception ..... 51, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 1, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 89, Liberty (10/26/19)

**PAUL WOODS**

Receptions ..... 3, two times  
 Rec. Yards ..... 20, Michigan (9/28/19)  
 LG Reception ..... 11, two times  
 Rec. TDs .....

**TIGHT ENDS**

**MATT ALAIMO**

Receptions ..... 2, three times  
 Rec. Yards ..... 32, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 LG Reception ..... 17, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 Rec. TDs .....

All-Purpose Yds ..... 32, Massachusetts (8/30/19)

**JOVANI HASKINS**

Receptions ..... 4, Texas (11/3/18)  
 Rec. Yards ..... 33, Texas (11/3/18)  
 LG Reception ..... 25, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Rec. TDs ..... 1, three times  
 All-Purpose Yds ..... 33, Texas (11/3/18)

**JOHNATHAN LEWIS**

Receptions .....

Rec. Yards .....

LG Reception .....

Rec. TDs .....

Rush Att ..... 12, Ohio State (9/30/17)  
 Rush Yds ..... 58, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 Rush LG ..... 16, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 Rush TDs ..... 4, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 Pass Att ..... 16, Michigan State (11/25/17)  
 Completions ..... 6, Michigan State (11/25/17)  
 Pass Yds ..... 98, Michigan State (11/25/17)  
 Pass TDs ..... 1, two times  
 Pass LG ..... 42, Michigan State (11/25/17)  
 All-Purpose YDs ..... 58, Morgan State (9/16/17)

DEFENSE

**DEFENSIVE LINE**

**MAYAN AHANOTU**

Tackles ..... 2, Illinois (11/14/20)  
 TFLs .....

Sacks .....

Interceptions .....

PBUs .....

**MALIK BARROW**

Tackles ..... 1, two times  
 TFLs ..... 1.0, Florida A&M (8/29/19)  
 Sacks .....

Interceptions .....

PBUs .....

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## CAREER HIGHS

### IRELAND BURKE

Tackles ..... 2, two times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### MICHAEL DWUMFOUR

Tackles ..... 6, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 TFLs..... 1.5, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Sacks..... 1.0, three times  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Indiana (11/17/18)  
 PBUs ..... 1, two times

### ROBIN JUTWRETN

Tackles ..... 4, Michigan State (11/23/19)  
 TFLs..... 1.5, Michigan State (11/23/19)  
 Sacks..... 1.0, two times  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### JAMREE KROMAH

Tackles ..... 3, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 TFLs..... 0.5, two times  
 Sacks..... 0.5, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### AARON LEWIS

Tackles ..... 2, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, Liberty (10/26/19)

### ELORM LUMOR

Tackles ..... 7, three times  
 TFLs..... 2.0, Texas State (9/1/18)  
 Sacks..... 1.5, Northwestern (10/20/18)  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, Minnesota (10/19/19)

### TIJAUN MASON

Tackles ..... 1, four times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, Liberty (10/26/19)

### CJ ONYECHI

Tackles ..... 6, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 TFLs..... 1.5, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 Sacks..... 1.0, four times  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### JULIUS TURNER

Tackles ..... 8, Michigan State (11/23/19)  
 TFLs..... 3.0, Ohio State (11/7/20)  
 Sacks..... 1.0, three times  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, four times

### MIKE TVERDOV

Tackles ..... 7, two times  
 TFLs..... 2.0, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Sacks..... 1.0, four times  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, three times

### BRIAN UGWU

Tackles ..... 1, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, Liberty (10/26/19)

### LINEBACKERS

#### RASHAWN BATTLE

Tackles ..... 7, Ohio State (11/16/19)  
 TFLs..... 1.0, five times  
 Sacks..... 1.0, three times  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 PBUs ..... 1, two times

#### CHRIS CONTI

Tackles ..... 2, two times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

#### OLAKUNLE FATUKASI

Tackles ..... 17, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 TFLs..... 2.5, two times  
 Sacks..... 2.0, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, five times

#### TYSHON FOGG

Tackles ..... 15, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 TFLs..... 2.0, two times  
 Sacks..... 1.5, Penn State (11/30/19)  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 PBUs ..... 1, two times

#### DEION JENNINGS

Tackles ..... 9, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 TFLs..... 3.0, Minnesota (10/19/19)  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Michigan State (11/23/19)  
 PBUs ..... 1, two times

#### ZUKUDO IGWENAGU

Tackles ..... 1, Ohio State (11/7/20)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

#### TYREEK MADDOX-WILLIAMS

Tackles ..... 11, Ohio State (10/1/16)  
 TFLs..... 1.0, nine times  
 Sacks..... 1.0, Michigan (9/28/19)  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 1, six times

### ASLAN PUGH

Tackles ..... 2, two times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### DREW SINGLETON

Tackles ..... 7, Iowa (9/7/19)  
 TFLs..... 1.0, two times  
 Sacks..... 1.0, Maryland (10/5/19)  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

### MOHAMED TOURE

Tackles ..... 6, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 TFLs..... 2.0, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Sacks..... 2.0, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 PBUs ..... 1, Michigan State (10/24/20)

### DEFENSIVE BACKS

#### RANI ABDULAZIZ

Tackles ..... 1, seven times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

#### KESSAWN ABRAHAM

Tackles ..... 2, Maryland (10/13/18)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

#### TRE AVERY

Tackles ..... 7, two times  
 TFLs..... 1.0, two times  
 Sacks..... 1.0, Ohio State (11/16/19)  
 Interceptions ..... 1, three times  
 PBUs ..... 1, six times  
 KOR Yds..... 54, Michigan (9/28/19)  
 KOR LG..... 28, two times

#### CHRISTIAN IZIEN

Tackles ..... 11, Ohio State (11/16/19)  
 TFLs..... 1.0, Minnesota (10/19/19)  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs ..... 2, two times

#### NAIJEE JONES

Tackles ..... 1, three times  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

#### JOE LUSARDI

Tackles ..... 1, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

CAREER HIGHS

**MAX MELTON**

Tackles ..... 6, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

**LAWRENCE STEVENS**

Tackles .....7, Illinois (11/14/20)  
 TFLs.....  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions .....  
 PBUs .....

**BRENDON WHITE**

Tackles ..... 15, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 TFLs..... 2.0, two times  
 Sacks..... 1.0, Cincinnati (9/7/19)  
 Interceptions ..... 1, two times  
 PBUs ..... 2, Purdue (11/28/20)

**AVERY YOUNG**

Tackles ..... 11, Boston College (9/21/19)  
 TFLs..... 1.0, five times  
 Sacks.....  
 Interceptions ..... 1, Massachusetts (8/30)  
 PBUs ..... 3, Michigan State (11/24/18)  
 PR Yds .....25, Buffalo (9/22/18)  
 PR LG .....22, Buffalo (9/22/18)

**SPECIALISTS**

**VALENTINO AMBROSIO**

Points..... 10, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 FGM ..... 2, two times  
 FGA ..... 3, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 FG LG ..... 42, Michigan (11/21/20)  
 PATs..... 4, Purdue (11/28/20)  
 KO Att .....  
 Touchbacks .....

**JUSTIN DAVIDOVICZ**

Points..... 14, Liberty (10/26/19)  
 FGM ..... 3, two times  
 FGA ..... 3, four times  
 FG LG ..... 52, Indiana (9/29/18)  
 PATs..... 6, Massachusetts (8/30/19)  
 KO Att ..... 11, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 Touchbacks ..... 6, Morgan State (9/16/17)  
 Tackles ..... 1, three times

**GUY FAVA**

Points..... 8, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 FGM ..... 1, two times  
 FGA ..... 1, two times  
 FG LG ..... 44, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 PATs..... 5, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 KO Att ..... 7, Michigan State (10/24/20)  
 Touchbacks .....2, Illinois (11/2/19)  
 Tackles ..... 1, Michigan State (10/24/20)

**ZACH FEAGLES**

Punts ..... 10, Pittsburgh (11/24/17)  
 Yards ..... 367, Pittsburgh (11/24/17)  
 LG ..... 56, Pittsburgh (11/24/18)

**ADAM KORSAK**

Punts ..... 10, four times  
 Yards ..... 476, Iowa (9/7/19)  
 LG .....79, Northwestern (10/20/18)  
 Tackles .....1, Buffalo (9/22/18)

**BILLY TAYLOR**

Tackles ..... 1, six times

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## 2020 RUTGERS DEPTH CHART

### OFFENSE

OT	71	<b>Raiqwon O'Neal</b> ..... Jr., 6-4, 296
	72	Hollin Pierce..... Fr., 6-8, 354
OG	66	<b>Nick Krimin</b> ..... Sr., 6-5, 310
	65	Bryan Felter ..... Fr., 6-3, 299
OC	50	<b>CJ Hanson</b> ..... So., 6-5, 292
	73	Brendan Bordner ..... Sr., 6-5, 284
OG	54	<b>Cedrice Paillant</b> ..... Jr., 6-4, 298
	77	Sam Vretman ..... Sr., 6-6, 302
OT	70	<b>Reggie Sutton</b> ..... Jr., 6-4, 291
	76	Matt Rosso ..... Jr., 6-5, 284
TE	13	<b>Jovani Haskins</b> ..... Sr., 6-5, 251
	10	Matt Alaimo ..... Jr., 6-4, 238
WR	2	<b>Aron Cruickshank</b> ..... Jr., 5-10, 160
	5	Paul Woods ..... Jr., 6-1, 163
WR	18	<b>Bo Melton</b> ..... Sr., 5-11, 190
	82	Christian Dremel ..... So., 5-9, 176
WR	15	<b>Shameen Jones</b> ..... Sr., 6-2, 180
	83	Isaiah Washington ..... So., 6-3, 201
RB	1	<b>Isaih Pacheco</b> ..... Jr., 5-11, 210
	4	Aaron Young ..... So., 5-10, 198
QB	0	<b>Noah Vedral</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 195
	8	Artur Sitkowski ..... Jr., 6-5, 224

### SPECIALISTS

LS	47	<b>Billy Taylor</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 225
	62	Matthew Sportelli ..... Sr., 6-1, 261
P	94	<b>Adam Korsak</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 185
	14	Zach Feagles ..... Sr., 6-3, 227
PK	96	<b>Guy Fava</b> ..... So., 6-0, 191
	95	Justin Davidovicz ..... Sr., 5-10, 167

### DEFENSE

DE	97	<b>Mike Tverdov</b> ..... Sr., 6-4, 254
	55	Malik Barrow ..... Sr., 6-3, 270
DE	26	<b>CJ Onyechi</b> ..... OR ..... Sr., 6-0, 248
	23	Elorm Lumor ..... Sr., 6-3, 241
DT	99	<b>Michael Dwumfour</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 296
	92	Mayan Ahanotu ..... Jr., 6-4, 274
DT	50	<b>Julius Turner</b> ..... Sr., 6-0, 265
	98	Robin Jutwreten ..... Jr., 6-5, 265
LB	8	<b>Tyshon Fogg</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 232
	6	Rashawn Battle ..... Sr., 6-1, 232
LB	3	<b>Olakunle Fatukasi</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 234
	11	Drew Singleton ..... Sr., 6-2, 222
LB	9	<b>Tyreek Maddox-Williams</b> ..... Sr., 6-1, 226
	17	Deion Jennings ..... Jr., 6-0, 220
CB	21	<b>Tre Avery</b> ..... Sr., 5-11, 180
	16	Max Melton ..... Fr., 6-0, 181
CB	2	<b>Avery Young</b> ..... Jr., 6-0, 198
	5	Kessawn Abraham ..... Jr., 5-10, 183
S	0	<b>Christian Izien</b> ..... Jr., 5-10, 198
	24	Naijee Jones ..... Sr., 5-11, 200
S	7	<b>Brendon White</b> ..... Sr., 6-2, 220
	29	Lawrence Stevens ..... Sr., 5-8, 184

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## 2020 RUTGERS NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (JC/Prep School)
0	Christian Izien	DB	Jr.	5-10	198	Far Rockaway, N.Y./Erasmus Hall
0	Noah Vedral	QB	Sr.	6-1	195	Wahoo, Neb./Bishop Neumann
1	Valentino Ambrosio	PK	Jr.	5-8	167	Cranford, N.J./Cranford
1	Isaih Pacheco	RB	Jr.	5-11	210	Vineland, N.J./Vineland South
2	Aron Cruickshank	WR	Jr.	5-10	160	Brooklyn, N.Y./Erasmus Hall
2	Avery Young	DB	Jr.	6-0	198	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
3	Olakunle Fatukasi	LB	Sr.	6-1	234	Far Rockaway, N.Y./Grand Street Campus
3	Evan Simon	QB	Fr.	6-3	210	Mount Joy, Pa./Manheim Central
4	Aaron Young	RB	So.	5-10	198	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
5	Kessawn Abraham	DB	Jr.	5-10	183	Brooklyn, N.Y./Erasmus Hall
5	Paul Woods	WR	Jr.	6-1	163	Buffalo, N.Y./Canisius
6	Rashawn Battle	LB	Sr.	6-1	232	Grentown, Pa./Wallenpaupack
7	Robert Longerbeam	WR	Fr.	5-11	155	Alexandria, Va./T.C. Williams
7	Brendon White	DB	Sr.	6-2	220	Powell, Ohio/Olentangy Liberty
8	Tyshon Fogg	LB	Sr.	6-1	232	Baltimore, Md./Calvert Hall
8	Artur Sitkowski	QB	Jr.	6-5	224	Old Bridge, N.J./Old Bridge/IMG Academy [Fla.]
9	Monterio Hunt	WR	Sr.	6-1	188	Walnut, Miss./Walnut (Northwest Mississippi CC)
9	Tyreek Maddox-Williams	LB	Sr.	6-1	226	Philadelphia, Pa./Timber Creek [N.J.]
10	Matt Alaimo	TE	Jr.	6-4	238	Paramus, N.J./St. Joseph Regional [Montvale]
10	Zukudo Igwenagu	LB	So.	6-4	242	Worcester, Mass./Worcester Academy
11	Drew Singleton	LB	Sr.	6-2	222	Newark, N.J./Paramus Catholic
12	Peyton Powell	DB	So.	6-2	181	Midland, Texas/Odessa Permian
13	Jovani Haskins	TE	Sr.	6-5	251	Bergenfield, N.J./Bergenfield
13	Chris Long	DB	Fr.	6-0	164	Willingboro, N.J./Willingboro
14	Zach Feagles	P	Sr.	6-3	227	Ridgewood, N.J./Ridgewood
15	Shameen Jones	WR	Sr.	6-2	180	Bronx, N.Y./Cardinal Hayes
16	Max Melton	DB	Fr.	6-0	181	Mays Landing, N.J./Cedar Creek
16	Cole Snyder	QB	So.	6-2	194	Lakewood, N.Y./Southwestern
17	Jameer Campbell	WR	Sr.	5-9	174	Manville, N.J./Manville
17	Deion Jennings	LB	Jr.	6-0	220	Sicklerville, N.J./Timber Creek
18	Bo Melton	WR	Sr.	5-11	190	Mays Landing, N.J./Cedar Creek
18	Keenan Reid	DB	Sr.	5-10	176	Somerset, N.J./Franklin
19	Austin Albericci	QB	Jr.	5-10	174	Closter, N.J./Demarest
19	Calebe Silva	DB	Sr.	5-9	175	Garfield, N.J./Garfield (Hudson Valley CC)
20	John Guaimano	WR	So.	6-0	201	Cedar Grove, N.J./Cedar Grove
20	Elijuwan Mack	DB	Fr.	5-11	181	Newark, N.J./St. Joseph Regional [Montvale]
21	Tre Avery	DB	Sr.	5-11	180	Baltimore, Md./Franklin
21	Johnny Langan	QB	Jr.	6-3	223	Wayne, N.J./Bergen Catholic
22	Kay'Ron Adams	RB	So.	5-10	203	Warren, Ohio/Warren G Harding
22	Tyreem Powell	LB	Fr.	6-4	218	Vineland, N.J./Vineland South
23	Elorm Lumor	DL	Sr.	6-3	241	Piscataway, N.J./Piscataway (Milford Academy)
23	Kyle Monangai	RB	Fr.	5-9	207	Roseland, N.J./Don Bosco Prep
24	Naijee Jones	DB	Sr.	5-11	200	Erial, N.J./Timber Creek
26	CJ Onyechi	DL	Sr.	6-0	248	West Orange, N.J./West Orange
27	Piotr Partyla	RB	Fr.	5-9	177	Lyndhurst, N.J./Lyndhurst
28	Nasir Montgomery	WR	Fr.	6-0	188	East Orange, N.J./East Orange
28	Aslan Pugh	LB	Sr.	6-0	227	Wilmington, Del./Wilmington Charter
29	Lawrence Stevens	DB	Sr.	5-8	184	Lawrenceville, N.J./Don Bosco Prep
30	Chris Conti	LB	So.	6-2	221	Wyckoff, N.J./DePaul Catholic
31	Jamier Wright-Collins	RB	Fr.	6-2	215	Paterson, N.J./John F. Kennedy
32	Rani Abdulaziz	DB	Sr.	5-10	186	Roseland, N.J./West Essex
33	Parker Day	RB	Sr.	5-9	188	Toms River, N.J./Toms River North
33	Andrew Vince	DL	Fr.	6-4	218	Schwenksville, Pa./Souderton
35	Jonathan Pimentel	LB	Jr.	6-3	241	Manalapan, N.J./Manalapan
36	Darius Gooden	DB	So.	6-2	203	Newark, N.J./West Side
37	Joe Lusardi	DB	Fr.	5-11	188	Summit, N.J./Summit
39	Amir Byrd	DB	So.	5-7	161	Mount Laurel, N.J./Lenape
39	Nyjon Freeman	RB	Fr.	6-0	215	Hoboken, N.J./Hoboken
40	Joe Hayford	RB	Sr.	5-7	190	Spotswood, N.J./Spotswood
41	Frederik Krebs	WR	Fr.	6-3	199	Metuchen, N.J./Metuchen
41	Jack Quander	DL	So.	6-2	224	Nokesville, Va./Patriot (Fork Union Military Academy)
42	David Tarallo	DB	Fr.	5-11	202	Lodi, N.J./St. Mary's
43	Dami Awoyinfa	LB	Fr.	6-0	220	Linden, N.J./Linden
44	Brian Ugwu	DL	So.	6-3	234	Hillside, N.J./Hillside
45	Jamree Kromah	DL	Jr.	6-4	261	Glenarden, Md./CH Flowers
45	Brandon Myers	TE	Jr.	6-1	238	Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater-Raritan
46	Matt Gibney	LB	So.	6-0	214	Woodridge, N.J./St. Joseph Regional [Montvale]
46	Brendan Shank	LS	Jr.	6-0	219	Franklin Township, N.J./St. Joseph [Metuchen]

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#	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Wt.	Hometown/High School (JC/Prep School)
47	Billy Taylor	LS	Sr.	6-1	225	Parsippany, N.J./Parsippany Hills
50	CJ Hanson	OL	So.	6-5	292	Jackson, N.J./St. John Vianey
50	Julius Turner	DL	Sr.	6-0	265	Meridian, Miss./Meridian
51	Troy Rainey	DL	Fr.	6-4	314	Bridgeport, Conn./Harding
53	Tunde Fatukasi	OL	Fr.	6-4	298	Far Rockaway, N.Y./Erasmus Hall
54	Cedrice Paillant	OL	Jr.	6-4	298	New Rochelle, N.Y./New Rochelle (Monroe College)
55	Malik Barrow	DL	Sr.	6-3	270	Tampa, Fla./IMG Academy
56	Kamar Missouri	DL	Fr.	6-5	267	Baltimore, Md./Mergenthaler Vo-Tech
57	Zach Miseo	OL	Sr.	6-3	294	Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater-Raritan
58	Mohamed Toure	LB	So.	6-1	221	Pleasantville, N.J./Pleasantville
59	Drew Bethke	DL	So.	6-3	239	Furlong, Pa./Central Bucks East
60	Omari Cooper	OL	Sr.	6-4	274	San Diego, Calif./University City (San Diego Mesa CC)
62	Matthew Sportelli	LS	Sr.	6-1	261	Wayne, N.J./Wayne Hills
64	Jason Lavigna	OL	So.	6-3	263	Holland Township, N.J./Delaware Valley
65	Bryan Felter	OL	Fr.	6-3	299	Westfield, N.J./Bergen Catholic
66	Nick Krimin	OL	Sr.	6-5	310	South Amboy, N.J./St. Joseph [Metuchen]
67	Harry Ganton	OL	Fr.	6-1	250	Verona, N.J./Delbarton
68	Stanley Dennis II	DL	Fr.	5-10	293	Jersey City, N.J./St. Peter's Prep (The Taft School)
69	Caleb Patterson	DL	Fr.	6-2	258	Jamesville, N.Y./Jamesville-DeWitt
70	Reggie Sutton	OL	Jr.	6-4	291	Towson, Md./Calvert Hall
71	Aaron Lewis	DL	Fr.	6-5	242	Williamstown, N.J./Williamstown
71	Raiqwon O'Neal	OL	Jr.	6-4	296	Conway, S.C./Conway
72	Hollin Pierce	OL	Fr.	6-8	354	Trenton, N.J./Trenton Central (Fork Union Military Academy)
73	Brendan Bordner	OL	Sr.	6-5	284	Columbus, Ohio/Hilliard Bradley
74	Isaiah Wright	OL	Fr.	6-3	299	North Plainfield, N.J./St. Peter's Prep
75	Beau Lanzidelle	OL	Fr.	6-4	306	Medford, N.J./Shawnee/The Hun School
76	Matt Rosso	OL	Jr.	6-5	284	Fairless Hills, Pa./Pennsbury
77	Sam Vretman	OL	Sr.	6-6	302	Upplands Vasby, Sweden/Cheshire Academy [Conn.]
78	Liam Flite	OL	Jr.	6-5	299	Blackwood, N.J./Highland Regional
80	Shawn Collins	DL	Fr.	6-5	228	Montclair, N.J./Montclair
81	Rich McDonald	WR	Sr.	5-11	182	Sparta, N.J./Sparta
82	Christian Dremel	WR	So.	5-9	176	Caldwell, N.J./Don Bosco Prep
83	Isaiah Washington	WR	So.	6-3	201	Jacksonville, Fla./Trinity Christian Academy
84	Ahmirr Robinson	WR	Fr.	6-1	185	Vauxhall, N.J./Union
85	Jessie Parson III	WR	Fr.	5-9	169	New Rochelle, N.Y./New Rochelle
86	Cooper Heisey	TE	So.	6-4	245	Scotch Plains, N.J./Scotch Plains-Fanwood (Wyoming Seminary)
87	Tahjay Moore	TE	Fr.	6-5	235	New Brunswick, N.J./New Brunswick
88	Stanley King	WR	So.	6-5	192	Camden, N.J./Woodrow Wilson
88	René Konga	DL	Fr.	6-4	265	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada/Colonel By Secondary School
88	Johnathan Lewis	TE	Sr.	6-3	238	East Orange, N.J./St. Peter's Prep
89	Victor Konopka	TE	Fr.	6-7	247	Kinnelon, N.J./Blair Academy/Don Bosco Prep
90	Wesley Bailey	DL	Fr.	6-5	231	Ottawa, Ontario, Canada/Clearwater Academy International [Fla.]
90	Thomas Morgan	TE	Jr.	6-5	248	Fresh Meadows, N.Y./Holy Cross (Fork Union Military Academy/ASA College/Iowa Western)
91	David Broncati	P	So.	6-4	247	Stamford, Conn./St. Thomas More
91	Tijaun Mason	DL	Sr.	6-6	234	Memphis, Tenn./Trezevant
92	Mayan Ahanotu	DL	Jr.	6-4	274	Tampa, Fla./Berkeley Prep
93	Ireland Burke	DL	So.	6-3	298	Jamaica, N.Y./Pope John XXIII
94	Adam Korsak	P	Sr.	6-1	185	Melbourne, Australia/Maribyrnong College (Victoria University)
94	Kevin Schaeffer	DL	Fr.	6-5	244	Hewitt, N.J./West Milford
95	Justin Davidovicz	PK	Sr.	5-10	167	Bridgewater, N.J./Bridgewater-Raritan
96	Guy Fava	PK	So.	6-0	191	Mahwah, N.J./Don Bosco Prep
97	Mike Tverdov	DL	Sr.	6-4	254	Union, N.J./Union
98	Robin Jutwreten	DL	Jr.	6-5	265	Stockholm, Sweden/Arlandagymnasiet
99	Michael Dwumfour	DL	Sr.	6-1	296	Scotch Plains, N.J./DePaul Catholic

### Coaching Staff

Greg Schiano	Head Coach
Sean Gleeson	Offensive Coordinator/Quarterbacks
Robb Smith	Defensive Coordinator
Adam Scheier	Special Teams Coordinator
Andrew Aurich	Offensive Line
Fran Brown	Secondary
Nunzio Campanile	Tight Ends
Bob Fraser	Linebackers
Augie Hoffmann	Running Backs
Jim Panagos	Defensive Line
Tiquan Underwood	Wide Receivers
Jay Butler	Director of Sports Performance
Joe Susan	Special Assistant to the Head Coach



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## STREAKS

Most Games Played	
Player	Total
Bo Melton	42
Billy Taylor	42
Julius Turner	42
Justin Davidovicz	41
Olakunle Fatukasi	41
Tyreek Maddox-Williams	41

  

Consecutive Games Played	
Player	Streak
Bo Melton	42
Billy Taylor	42
Julius Turner	42
Aron Cruickshank	33
Tyshon Fogg	33

  

Most Games Started	
Player	Total
Adam Korsak	30
Bo Melton	28
Julius Turner	28
Tyreek Maddox-Williams	27
Avery Young	27

  

Consecutive Games Started	
Player	Streak
Adam Korsak	30
Bo Melton	22
Tyshon Fogg	18
Nick Krimin	18

  

G - Games Played
S - Games Started
FBS games only

## RUTGERS PARTICIPATION CHART

Career	2020		2019		2018		2017		2016		Streak	
	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S	G	S
Rani Abdulaziz	21		4		9		8					4
Kessawn Abraham	22		6		4		12					6
Kay/Ron Adams	15		6		9							12
Mayan Ahanotu	11		6		3		2					6
Matt Alaimo	18	11	6	1	12	10						18
Valentino Ambrosio	3	3	3	3								3 3
Tre Avery	20	10	6	6	12	4	2					18 9
Malik Barrow	9		3		4			2				
Rashawn Battle	30	1	4		11		11	1	4			3
Brendan Bordner	26	1	6	1	12		8					22 1
Ireland Burke	11		2		9							
Jameer Campbell	1		1									
Chris Conti	7		3		4							2
Aron Cruickshank	33	5	6	5	14		13					33 1
Justin Davidovicz	41	20	5		12	9	12	11	12			5
Parker Day	14				12		2					
Christian Dremel	10		6		4							9
Michael Dwumfour	39	10	6	6	10	2	13	2	9	1		6 6
Olakunle Fatukasi	41	16	6	6	12	10	11		12			27 15
Guy Fava	7	3	3	3	4							
Zach Feagles	24	20	1				10	7	13	13		1
Bryan Felter	5	3	5	3								5 3
Tyshon Fogg	36	18	6	6	12	12	12		6			33 18
CJ Hanson	4		2		2							
Jovani Haskins	29	9	6	6	11	3	12					10 6
Cooper Heisey	4				4							
Monterio Hunt	14		2					12				2
Zukudo Igwenagu	4		3		1							
Christian Izien	22	13	6	6	12	7	4					18 13
Deion Jennings	18	4	6	1	12	3						18
Naijee Jones	17		6		11							6
Shameen Jones	28	13	6	6	10		12	7				9 6
Robin Jutwreten	19	1	6	1	12		1					18
Victor Konopka	1		1									1
Adam Korsak	30	30	6	6	12	12	12	12				30 30
Nick Krimin	37	21	6	6	12	12	10	3	9			22 18
Jamree Kromah	10		1		9							
Johnny Langan	17	8	6		11	8						15
Aaron Lewis	5		5									5
Johnathan Lewis	16		5				4		7			
Chris Long	1		1									
Robert Longerbeam	2		2									
Elorm Lumor	39	25	5	1	11	11	11	10	12	3		3
Joe Lusardi	2		2									2
Tyreek Maddox-Williams	41	27	6	1	12	8	12	12		11	6	30
Tijaun Mason	13		1		11		1					
Bo Melton	42	28	6	6	12	12	12	7	12	3		42 22
Max Melton	6	3	6	3								6 1
Kyle Monangai	2		2									1
Tahjay Moore	1		1									
Brandon Myers	17	2	5		12	2						2
Raiqwon O'Neal	18	9	5	5	9	4	4					
CJ Onyechi	30	7	6	5	12	2			12			18 5
Isaih Pacheco	29	19	6	6	11	10	12	3				9 9
Cedrice Paillant	6	6	6	6								6 6
Hollin Pierce	1		1									1
Jonathan Pimentel	10				10							
Aslan Pugh	19		5		12		1		1			5
Ahmirr Robinson	3		3									3
Matt Rosso	8				8							
Drew Singleton	25	3	6	1	12	2	7					18
Artur Sitkowski	16	14	2	1	3	2	11	11				1 1
Cole Snyder	3		1		2							
Lawrence Stevens	37	1	6	1	12		6		10	3		22
Reggie Sutton	16	7	6	6	6		4	1				6 6
Billy Taylor	42		6		12		12		12			42
Mohamed Toure	8		6		2							6
Julius Turner	42	28	6	5	12	12	12	11	12			42 5
Mike Tverdov	30	18	6	6	12	10	12	2				30 14
Brian Ugwu	1				1							
Noah Vedral	20	7	5	5	6	2	1		8			
Sam Vretman	22	5	5	3	4		5	2	8			1
Isaiah Washington	18	11	6		12	11						18
Brendon White	34	11	5	5	10	1	14	5	5			2 2
Paul Woods	14	1	3		11	1						
Jamier Wright-Collins	6		6									6
Aaron Young	18	4	6		12	4						18
Avery Young	30	27	6	6	12	10	12	11				30 8

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## RUTGERS GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Opponent	LT	LG	C	RG	RT	TE	QB	RB	WR	WR	WR	PK
Michigan State	O'Neal	Paillant	Krimin	Vretman	Sutton	Haskins	Vedral	Pacheco	Cruickshank	Melton	Jones	Fava
Indiana	O'Neal	Paillant	Krimin	Vretman	Sutton	Haskins	Vedral	Pacheco	Cruickshank	Melton	Jones	Fava
Ohio State	O'Neal	Paillant	Krimin	Vretman	Sutton	Haskins	Vedral	Pacheco	Cruickshank	Melton	Jones	Fava
Illinois	O'Neal	Paillant	Krimin	Felter	Sutton	Haskins	Vedral	Pacheco	Cruickshank	Melton	Jones	Ambrosio
Michigan	O'Neal	Paillant	Krimin	Felter	Sutton	Haskins	Vedral	Pacheco	Alaimo&	Melton	Jones	Ambrosio
Purdue	Bordner	Paillant	Krimin	Felter	Sutton	Haskins	Sitkowski	Pacheco	Cruickshank	Melton	Jones	Ambrosio
Penn State												
Maryland												
Big Ten												
& - tight end												

Opponent	DE	DT	DT	DE	LB	LB	LB	CB	S	S	CB	P
Michigan State	Tverdov	Jutwreten	Dwumfour	Lumor	Fogg	Fatukasi	Singleton	Avery	Izien	White	Young	Korsak
Indiana	Tverdov	Turner	Dwumfour	Onyechi	Fogg	Fatukasi	Jennings	Avery	Izien	White	Young	Korsak
Ohio State	Tverdov	Turner	Dwumfour	Onyechi	Fogg	Fatukasi	Melton^	Avery	Izien	White	Young	Korsak
Illinois	Tverdov	Turner	Dwumfour	Onyechi	Fogg	Fatukasi	Melton^	Avery	Izien	Stevens	Young	Korsak
Michigan	Tverdov	Turner	Dwumfour	Onyechi	Fogg	Fatukasi	Maddox-Williams	Avery	Izien	White	Young	Korsak
Purdue	Tverdov	Turner	Dwumfour	Onyechi	Fogg	Fatukasi	Melton^	Avery	Izien	White	Young	Korsak
Penn State												
Maryland												
Big Ten												
^ - cornerback												

2020 RUTGERS SCORING PLAYS

Quarter	Time	Scoring Play (Conversion)	Plays	Yards	TOP	Score (Rutgers-OPP)
<b>Michigan State</b>						
1	11:19	Pacheco 12-yard run (Fava kick)	10	75	3:41	7-0
1	6:57	Langan 1-yard run (Fava kick)	4	1	1:23	14-0
2	11:32	Vedral 24-yard run (Fava kick)	2	23	0:46	21-7
2	0:36	Pacheco 3-yard run (Fava kick)	6	53	2:26	28-10
4	12:20	Fava 44-yard field goal	14	54	6:11	31-20
4	4:38	Jones 14-yard pass from Vedral (Fava kick)	4	26	2:19	38-20
<b>Indiana</b>						
1	7:35	Melton 23-yard pass from Vedral (Fava kick)	4	43	1:40	7-0
3	5:34	Adams 37-yard run (Pacheco pass from Vedral)	10	80	4:28	15-23
4	3:21	Melton 16-yard pass from Vedral (Langan run failed)	10	71	2:48	21-37
<b>Ohio State</b>						
1	6:11	Fava 30-yard field goal	9	63	3:54	3-7
3	8:08	O'Neal 4-yard run (Melton pass failed)	6	91	2:23	9-35
4	14:55	Haskins 6-yard pass from Langan (Vedral pass failed)	13	65	4:54	15-42
4	12:46	Melton 58-yard punt return (Langan pass intercepted)	-	-	-	21-42
4	7:17	Langan 1-yard run (Vedral pass failed)	9	64	3:52	27-49
<b>Illinois</b>						
1	13:03	Melton 29-yard pass from Vedral (Ambrosio kick)	6	75	1:57	7-0
1	4:33	Ambrosio 29-yard field goal	6	18	3:19	10-0
2	4:19	Ambrosio 26-yard field goal	9	75	4:02	13-7
3	7:43	Melton 66-yard pass from Vedral (Ambrosio kick)	5	80	1:10	20-10
<b>Michigan</b>						
1	4:33	Langan 3-yard run (Ambrosio kick)	4	57	1:43	7-0
2	8:45	Langan 1-yard run (Ambrosio kick)	9	69	3:13	14-0
2	4:23	Ambrosio 38-yard field goal	10	41	3:14	17-0
3	13:48	Melton 61-yard pass from Vedral (Ambrosio kick)	3	75	1:01	24-14
3	6:00	Ambrosio 42-yard field goal	11	51	4:07	27-21
4	0:27	Cruikshank 11-yard pass from Vedral (Vedral run)	16	75	4:40	35-35
OT2	-	Haskins 25-yard pass from Vedral (Ambrosio kick)	1	25	-	42-35
<b>Purdue</b>						
1	7:01	Jones 14-yard pass from Sitkowski (Ambrosio kick failed)	9	65	3:45	7-7
1	1:38	Jones 14-yard pass from Sitkowski (Ambrosio kick)	11	70	4:10	13-7
3	12:29	Adams 62-yard pass from Langan (Ambrosio kick)	5	82	2:31	20-23
3	9:08	Cruikshank 100-yard kickoff return (Ambrosio kick)	-	-	-	27-30
3	3:42	Young 1-yard run (Ambrosio kick)	9	49	4:08	34-30
4	7:09	Ambrosio 28-yard field goal	18	70	9:38	37-30

OFFENSIVE TOUCHDOWN SUMMARY

Yards	TDs	TD Drives	Poss. Time	TD Drives	Plays	TD Drives
0-9	8	1	0:01-0:30	0	1	1
10-19	6	0	0:31-1:00	1	2	1
20-29	4	3	1:01-1:30	3	3	1
30-39	1	0	1:31-2:00	3	4	4
40-49	0	2	2:01-3:00	5	5	2
50-59	0	2	3:01-4:00	4	6	3
60-69	3	4	4:01-5:00	5	7	0
70-79	0	6	5:01-6:00	0	8	0
80-89	0	3	6:01-7:00	0	9	4
90-99	0	1	7:01+	0	10	3
			OT	0	11+	3

**Most plays on a TD drive:**  
16, Michigan (Cruikshank 11-yard reception)

**Fewest plays on a TD drive:**  
1, Michigan (Haskins 25-yard reception)

**Longest TD Drive (yards):**  
91, at Ohio State (O'Neal 4-yard run)

**Shortest TD drive (yards):**  
1, at Michigan State (Langan 1-yard run)

**Longest TD drive (time):**  
4:54, at Ohio State (Haskins 6-yard reception)

**Shortest TD drive (time):**  
0:46, at Michigan State (Vedral 24-yard run)

**Most Plays on a drive:**  
21, at Ohio State (Sitkowski fumble)

**Longest Drive (time):**  
9:38, at Purdue (Ambrosio field goal)

**Longest Drive (yards):**  
91, at Ohio State (O'Neal 4-yard TD run)

# GAME 7: RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE

## THE LAST TIME

### Rutgers

#### RUSHING

30-39 attempts	31 - Justin Goodwin vs. Houston, 10/26/13
40+ attempts	41 - Savon Huggins at Cincinnati, 11/17/12
100-199 yards	133 - Isaih Pacecho vs. Illinois, 11/14/20
200+ yards	202 - Josh Hicks vs. North Carolina, 12/26/14
4 TDs	Isaih Pacheco vs. Massachusetts, 8/30/19
3 TDs	Paul James at Army, 11/21/15
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	118 - Johnny Langan vs. Liberty, 10/26/19
	107 - Isaih Pacheco vs. Liberty, 10/26/19
Four consecutive 100 yard games (same season)	Jawan Jamison
	112 at Tulane, 9/1/12; 110 vs. Howard, 9/8/12; 151 at USF, 9/13/12; 118 at Arkansas, 9/22/12

#### PASSING

30-39 attempts	34 - Noah Vedral vs. Illinois, 11/14/20
40-49 attempts	43 - Noah Vedral vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
50+ attempts	52 - Mike Teel vs. Connecticut, 11/3/07
20-29 completions	29 - Noah Vedral vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
30-39 completions	32 - Mike Teel vs. Connecticut, 11/3/07
300-399 yards	304 - Artur Sitkowski vs. Boston College, 9/21/19
400+ yards	404 - Gary Nova vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
3 TDs	Noah Vedral vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
4 TDs	Chris Laviano vs. Maryland, 11/28/15
5 TDs	Gary Nova at Fresno State, 8/29/13
6 TDs	Mike Teel at Pittsburgh, 10/25/08
7 TDs	Mike Teel vs. Louisville, 12/4/08
4 interceptions	Artur Sitkowski at Maryland, 10/13/18
5+ interceptions	5 - Gary Nova vs. Penn State, 9/13/14

#### RECEIVING

10+ receptions	13 - Mohamed Sanu at Army, 11/12/11
100-199 yards	127, 109 - Shameen Jones & Bo Melton vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
200+ yards	240 - Mark Harrison at Cincinnati, 11/20/10
3 TDs	Leonte Carroo at Indiana, 10/17/15
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	127 - Shameen Jones vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
	109 - Bo Melton vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
Three 100-yard performances (same game)	105 - Janarion Grant at Maryland, 11/29/14
	104 - Leonte Carroo at Maryland, 11/29/14
	101 - Andre Patton at Maryland, 11/29/14

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

400+ yards	409 - Gary Nova vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
300-399 yards	392 - Noah Vedral vs. Michigan, 11/21/20

#### FIELD GOALS

50 yards	50 - Justin Davidovic vs. Boston College, 9/21/19
4 FG made	4 - San San Te at Syracuse, 10/1/11
5 FG made	5 - Tom Angstadt vs. Cincinnati, 9/29/84
6 FG attempted	7 - Jeremy Ito vs. Illinois, 9/3/05

#### TOUCHDOWN RETURNS (YARDAGE)

Kickoff	100 - Aron Cruickshank at Purdue, 11/28/20
Punt	58 - Bo Melton at Ohio State, 11/7/20
Interception	52 - Kiy Hester vs. Maryland, 11/4/17
Fumble	0 - Olakunle Fatukasi vs. Texas State, 9/1/18
Blocked Field Goal	64 - Deonte Roberts at Kansas, 9/15/18
Blocked Punt	0 - Andre Patton at UCF, 11/21/13
Two TD returns by same player	Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
	100 - Kick Return & 55 - Punt Return

#### RUN/PASS DISTANCE

90+ run	91 - Mohamed Sanu vs. Tulane, 10/2/10
80-89 run	80 - Isaih Pacheco vs. Michigan, 11/10/18
70-79 run	74 - Gus Edwards vs. Purdue, 10/21/17
60-69 run	66 - Isaih Pacheco at Ohio State, 11/7/20
50-59 run	57 - Isaih Pacheco, vs. Massachusetts, 8/30/19
40-49 run	40 - Elijah Barnwell vs. Minnesota, 10/19/19
90+ pass	93 - Gary Nova to Andrew Turzilli vs. Tulane, 9/27/14
80-89 pass	80 - Gary Nova to Andrew Turzilli vs. Michigan, 10/4/14
70-79 pass	74 - Artur Sitkowski to Raheem Blackshear vs. Boston College, 9/21/19
60-69 pass	62 - Johnny Langan to Kay'Ron Adams at Purdue, 11/28/20

#### TEAM

Shut out opponent at home	65-0 vs. Morgan State, 9/16/17
Shut out opponent on road	34-0 vs. Navy, 10/14/06
Shut out opponents, back-to-back	35-0 vs. Lafayette, 11/9/74
	6-0 vs. Boston University, 11/16/74
Scoreless tie	Fort Monmouth, 11/14/42
Won in overtime	55-52 at SMU, 10/5/13
Forced five turnovers	7 - 38-27 win at Michigan State, 10/24/20
Scored 40-49 points	48-42 loss vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
Scored 50-59 points	52-14 win vs. Howard, 9/10/16
Scored 60-69 points	65-0 win vs. Morgan State, 9/16/17
Scored 70-79 points	70-0 win vs. NYU, 1915
Scored 80-89 points	83-0 win vs. Stevens, 1914
Scored 90+ points	90-0 win vs. Fort Wadsworth, 1917
Scored safety	Willington Previlon sack vs. Northwestern, 10/20/18
500 yards of total offense	554 vs. Massachusetts, 8/30/19
7-win season	7-5 in 2005
8-win season	8-5 in 2014
9-win season	9-4 in 2012
11-win season	11-2 in 2006
Undeclared season	11-0 in 1976
Double-digit winning streak	18 between 10/18/75 and 11/20/76

#### MISCELLANEOUS

300+ all-purpose yards	337 - Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
Kickoff and punt return for TD in same game	Janarion Grant vs. Washington State, 9/12/15
3 rushing TDs & 3 receiving TDs in same game	Robert Martin (Rushing), Leonte Carroo (Receiving) at Indiana, 10/17/15
Game-winning field goal	26 yards, Kyle Federico at Indiana, 10/17/15
Two interceptions	Saquan Hampton at Wisconsin, 11/3/18
Blocked a punt	Hunter Hayek vs. Morgan State, 9/16/17
Blocked a field goal	Mike Tverdov vs. Maryland, 10/5/19
Blocked an extra point	Julius Turner at Penn State, 11/30/19
Blocked multiple kicks	Julius Turner (extra point), Mike Tverdov (field goal) vs. Maryland, 10/5/19
Two-point conversion	Noah Vedral run vs. Michigan, 11/21/20
Recovered on-side kick	Christian Izien vs. Indiana, 10/31/20

#### Opponents

#### RUSHING

30+ attempts	31 - Isaiah Williams, Illinois, 11/14/20
300+ yards	307 - Tevin Coleman, Indiana, 11/15/14
200-299 yards	208 - Jonathan Taylor, Wisconsin, 11/3/18
4 TDs	Isaiah Pead, Cincinnati, 11/20/10
3 TDs	Journey Brown, Penn State, 11/30/19
Two 100-yard performances (same game)	192 - Isaiah Williams, Illinois, 11/14/20
	131 - Chase Brown, Illinois, 11/14/20
Three 100-yard performances (same game)	127 - Demetrius Perry, Army, 10/12/96
	126 - Adam Thompson, Army, 10/12/96
	117 - Paul Hewitt, Army, 10/12/96

#### PASSING

30-39 attempts	35 - Jack Plummer, Purdue, 11/28/20
40-49 attempts	44 - Rocky Lombardi, Michigan State, 10/24/20
50-59 attempts	56 - Connor Halliday, Washington State, 8/28/14
60+ attempts	66 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
20-29 completions	20 - Jack Plummer, Purdue, 11/28/20
30-39 completions	31 - Rocky Lombardi, Michigan State, 10/24/20
40+ completions	47 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
300-399 yards	314 - Justin Fields, Ohio State, 11/7/20
400+ yards	464 - Nate Sudfeld, Indiana, 10/17/15
3 TDs	Michael Penix Jr., Indiana, 10/31/20
4 TDs	Cade McNamara, Michigan, 11/21/20
5 TDs	Justin Fields, Ohio State, 11/7/20
6 TDs	Ricky Santos, New Hampshire, 9/11/04
7 TDs	Pete Gonzalez, Pittsburgh, 10/25/97
4 interceptions	Chandler Whitmer, Connecticut, 10/6/12
5+ interceptions	5 - Clint Park, Villanova, 8/31/96

#### RECEIVING

10+ receptions	11 - Jayden Reed, Michigan State, 10/24/20
200+ yards	217 - Jeremy Johnson, SMU, 10/5/13
175-200 yards	182 - Whop Philyor, Indiana, 10/12/19
150-174 yards	156 - Aaron Burbridge, Michigan State, 10/10/15
140-149 yards	146 - Gabe Marks, Washington State, 9/12/15
130-139 yards	137 - Whop Philyor, Indiana, 10/31/20
3 TDs	Cody White, Michigan State, 11/23/19
4 TDs	Billy Davis, Pittsburgh, 11/19/94

#### TOTAL OFFENSE

500+ yards	507 - Luke Falk, Washington State, 9/12/15
400-499 yards	456 - Nate Sudfeld, Indiana, 10/17/15
300-399 yards	321 - Justin Fields, Ohio State, 11/7/20

#### FIELD GOALS

50+ yards	50 - Brad Craddock, Maryland, 11/29/14
5+ FG attempts	5 - James McCourt, Illinois, 11/14/20
4 FG made	4 - Matt Coghlin, Michigan State, 11/27/17

#### TOUCHDOWN RETURNS

Kickoff	95 - Giles Jackson, Michigan, 11/21/20
Punt	61 - Dante Pettis, Washington, 9/1/17
Interception	54 - Dele Harding, Illinois, 11/2/19
Fumble	36 - Nate Hobbs, Illinois, 11/2/19
Blocked Punt	0 - Da'Mon Merckerson, Syracuse, 11/8/08

#### RUN/PASS DISTANCE

80+ run	80 - Anthony McFarland, Maryland, 10/5/19
70-79 run	73 - Reggie Corbin, Illinois, 10/6/18
60-69 run	61 - Chris Evans, Michigan, 11/10/18
50-59 run	54 - Brandon Peters, Illinois, 11/2/19
90+ pass	91 - Alex Van Pelt to Dietrich Jells, Pittsburgh, 9/17/92
80-89 pass	80 - Josh Jackson to Dontay Demus, Maryland, 10/5/19
70-79 pass	70 - J.T. Barrett to Johnnie Dixon, 9/30/17

#### TEAM

Shut out Rutgers at home	27-0 by Michigan State, 11/23/19
Shut out Rutgers on road	35-0 at Indiana, 10/12/19
Shut out Rutgers back-to-back	49-0 at Michigan State, 11/12/16
	39-0 by Penn State, 11/19/16
Scored 30-39 points	37-30 Purdue loss, 11/28/20
Scored 40-49 points	48-42 Michigan victory, 11/21/20
Scored 50-59 points	56-21 Ohio State win, 11/16/19
Scored 60+ points	78-0 Michigan victory, 10/8/16
Scored safety	Purdue, 11/28/20
Blocked a field goal	Maryland, 10/5/19
Blocked a punt	Penn State, 11/19/16
Blocked an extra point	Maryland, 11/26/16
Two-point conversion	Flynn Nagel pass from Clayton Thorson, Northwestern, 10/20/18
Recovered on-side kick	Tyler Rudolph, Penn State, 11/30/19

HEAD COACH GREG SCHIANO (12TH SEASON)



Greg Schiano, who led Rutgers to new heights from 2001-11, returns as the head football coach “On the Banks.” Schiano’s appointment as head coach comes following the Rutgers Board of Governors’ approval of contract terms on Dec. 3, 2019.

The Wyckoff, New Jersey, native directed the Scarlet Knights to six bowl appearances, coached 83 RU players who signed NFL contracts and guided the program to the top APR score in the nation during his previous 11 seasons in Piscataway. He was named the 2006 National Coach of the Year.

Schiano, who has three nine-win campaigns and coached 16 Rutgers All-America selections, entered 2020 with a 68-67 record as the Rutgers head coach, including a 56-33 mark in his previous seven seasons. The 68 wins are fourth in school history, behind Frank Burns (78), Harvey Harman (74) and John Bateman (73).

“Rutgers University and this football program have meant the world to me and my family,” said Schiano. “I arrived here in 2000 with the goal to build a program that would be a source of pride for the state of New Jersey and develop great young men. I look forward to embracing that challenge once again. This is a great opportunity for all of Rutgers to pull together to get us back to where we all know we belong. It will take everyone on this campus and in the State of Rutgers to get this done.”

After making one prior trip to a bowl game in Rutgers football history, Schiano led the team to six bowls in seven seasons, including the program’s first bowl victory. The Scarlet Knights won the last five, which was the longest active streak in the nation following the 2011 season. In addition, RU was ranked in 20 weeks during Schiano’s tenure after appearing in the AP Poll only nine times prior.

Schiano took over on Dec. 1, 2000. “This program will be built on a rock foundation,” he said. “It will take longer than building it on stilts, but when it’s built, it will be built forever. This is where I started; this is where I was striving to get back to. I’m thrilled to be here. It’s time.”

Building up the Scarlet Knights with three rejuvenating recruiting classes to start, Schiano put together an upset win over Syracuse to close 2003 before knocking off Michigan State to start 2004 in front of the largest crowd in Rutgers Stadium history at the time (42,612). The team broke through in 2005 with a 7-5 record, the first winning season since 1992, and a trip to the Insight Bowl for RU’s first bowl appearance since 1978.

Moving to the memorable 2006 campaign, Rutgers went 11-2, earned the program’s first national top-10 ranking (peaking at No. 7) and won a bowl championship with a convincing 37-10 victory over Kansas State in the Texas Bowl. “Pandemonium in Piscataway” was achieved with a 28-25 upset of No. 3 Louisville in front a raucous home crowd and national television audience. It was the first triumph for the program over a top-25 opponent since 1988. Schiano collected the Eddie Robinson, Walter Camp, Home Depot and Liberty Mutual National Coach of the Year, as well as the Big East Coach of the Year following the season. The final national ranking of No. 12 still stands as the high-water mark in program history.

The momentum continued in 2007 with eight more wins, which included a 30-27 victory over No. 2 USF. The season was capped by running past Ball State, 52-30, in the International Bowl and set school records for scoring (426), first downs (294) and total offense (5,841). The 2008 campaign started 1-5, but the Scarlet Knights reeled off a six-game winning streak to become bowl eligible again and went on to beat NC State, 29-23, in the PapaJohns.com Bowl to finish with seven-straight in the win column. Then in 2009, RU beat a top-25 opponent for the fourth consecutive year and took down UCF, 45-24, in the St. Petersburg Bowl to finish off a 9-4 season.

In 2011, Rutgers had its third nine-win season under Schiano, tying Burns for the most in program history. The Scarlet Knights defeated Iowa State, 27-13, in the Pinstripe Bowl for the fifth-straight bowl win.

While producing victories at a rate unprecedented in the program’s history, the Rutgers football team also committed fully to succeeding in the classroom. In 2010, Rutgers ranked first in the nation in Academic Progress Rate. The team followed that up with the nation’s No. 2 ranking in 2011. The program was the lone state university to be ranked in the top 10 percent nationally in APR during each of Schiano’s last five seasons.

Nate Jones became the program’s first two-time CoSIDA Academic All-America selection (2002-03) and was a member of the National Football Foundation/College Football Hall of Fame National Scholar Class of 2003, one of just eight FBS players honored. In addition, Brandon Renkert earned CoSIDA Academic All-America status in 2007, while Brian Leonard received the prestigious Draddy Trophy, recognized as the “Academic Heisman,” in 2006.

Known as a tireless recruiter with the ability to spot talent and develop players, Schiano mentored 83 Scarlet Knights who went on to sign NFL contracts. That includes first-round picks in Kenny Britt (2009), Anthony Davis (2010) and Devin McCourty (2010). Rutgers had never had a player taken in the first round before Britt went 30th overall to the Tennessee Titans. Davis’ selection at No. 11 by the San Francisco 49ers marked the highest draftee in school history. McCourty, who went 27th to the New England Patriots, has won three rings in five trips to the Super Bowl.

Schiano coached the leading rusher, passer and receiver by yards in Rutgers football history, sending all to the NFL. Ray Rice finished with 4,926 rushing yards, 1,812 more than second place, with 49 touchdowns. He holds the top two spots on the RU single-game rushing leaderboard with a high of 280 in the 2008 International Bowl. Mike Teel was a three-year starting quarterback and is the only signal caller in school history to lead the Scarlet Knights to three bowl victories. Throwing for 9,398 yards overall, he still owns single-game school records for passing yards (447) and touchdowns (7) in Rutgers’ 63-14 victory over Louisville in 2008. Britt was a primary target for Teel, recording 3,403 receiving yards. He once had five consecutive games with over 100 yards and totaled 14 such outings, both school standards.

Schiano also turned special teams in a game-changing force for the Scarlet Knights. RU blocked 60 kicks during his first tenure to rank among the nation’s leaders, while scoring 51 defensive/special teams touchdowns. Kicker Jeremy Ito shattered the school record with 80 career field goals and earned All-America status.

THE SCHIANO FILE

Full Name: Gregory Edward Schiano  
 Birthdate: June 1, 1966  
 Hometown: Wyckoff, N.J.  
 Alma Mater: Bucknell, 1988  
 Wife: Christy  
 Children: Joey, John, Matt, Katie

COACHING EXPERIENCE

2020-present: Rutgers (head coach)  
 2016-18: Ohio State (associate head coach/defensive coordinator/safeties)  
 2012-13: Tampa Bay Buccaneers (head coach)  
 2001-11: Rutgers (head coach)  
 1999-00: Miami (defensive coordinator)  
 1998: Chicago Bears (secondary)  
 1996-97: Chicago Bears (defensive assistant)  
 1991-95: Penn State (secondary)  
 1990: Penn State (graduate assistant)  
 1989: Rutgers (graduate assistant)  
 1988: Ramapo HS (assistant)

BOWL GAMES

2019 Rose Bowl  
 2017 Cotton Bowl  
 2016 Fiesta Bowl  
 2011 New Era Pinstripe Bowl  
 2009 St. Petersburg Bowl  
 2008 PapaJohns.com Bowl  
 2008 International Bowl  
 2006 Texas Bowl  
 2005 Insight Bowl  
 2000 Gator Bowl  
 1996 Outback Bowl  
 1995 Rose Bowl  
 1994 Citrus Bowl  
 1993 Blockbuster Bowl  
 1992 Fiesta Bowl  
 1990 Blockbuster Bowl

CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2018 Ohio State (Big Ten)  
 2017 Ohio State (Big Ten)  
 2000 Miami (Big East)  
 1994 Penn State (Big Ten)

RUTGERS HEAD COACH WINS

1. Frank Burns: 78
2. Harvey Harmon: 74
3. John Bateman: 73
4. Greg Schiano: 70
5. George Foster Sanford: 56

# GAME 7: RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE

Schiano accepted the head coach position for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Jan. 2012 and spent two seasons at the helm of the NFL franchise.

Schiano returned to the sidelines as the associate head coach and defensive coordinator, also coaching safeties, at Ohio State in 2016. He coached 10 players who were NFL Draft picks, five of whom were first-round selections during his three seasons. There were three first-round picks from the secondary in the 2017 NFL Draft: Malik Hooker (Indianapolis), Gareon Conley (Oakland) and Marshon Lattimore (New Orleans). Hooker, a unanimous All-America pick in 2016, was first nationally with three "pick-sixes" and third nationally with seven interceptions that season.

The Buckeyes went 36-5 in Schiano's three years as defensive coordinator and 24-3 against Big Ten opponents. That led to two Big Ten titles plus wins in the 2017 Cotton Bowl and 2019 Rose Bowl. In addition, OSU was No. 6 nationally in total defense under Schiano in 2016 when advancing to the College Football Playoff semifinals.

The Buckeyes were one of just three programs to rank in the top 10 in total defense in both 2016 and 2017. Schiano was the No. 2 recruiter in the nation by 247Sports and CBSSports.com for the 2018 signing class.

Schiano served as the defensive coordinator at Miami in 1999 and 2000 before becoming the Rutgers head coach. The Hurricanes posted a 20-5 record during that time, including 11-1, the No. 2 national ranking and a Sugar Bowl win in 2000. That defense finished fifth nationally in scoring defense (15.5) after ranking 12th in the category the year before (17.2). Following the 2000 season, linebacker Dan Morgan, who was the 11th overall pick in the NFL Draft, became the first player in college football history to win the Butkus Award (top linebacker), Nagurski Award (college defensive player of the year) and Bednarik Award (top defensive player) in the same year, in addition to being a consensus first-team All-America selection and the Big East Defensive Player of the Year. Strong safety Ed Reed was also a consensus first-team All-America honoree in 2000 and would later earned a spot in the both the College Football Hall of Fame and Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Prior to his assignment in Miami, Schiano spent three seasons in the NFL with the Chicago Bears (1996-98). The 1997 team placed first in the NFC in third-down defense (31.7 percent), while the 1996 squad climbed from 27th in the NFL to 11th in fewest yards allowed.

Schiano was the defensive backfield coach at Penn State from 1991-95 after working as a graduate assistant in 1990. The Nittany Lions picked up 58 wins throughout those years and made six bowl appearances. The 1994 PSU team went 12-0 (8-0 Big Ten) and finished No. 2 in the national rankings after beating Oregon in the Rose Bowl. He previously was a graduate assistant at Rutgers in 1989, beginning his coaching career as an assistant at his alma mater, Ramapo High School the year before.

Schiano was a three-year letterwinner at linebacker for Bucknell (1985-87). He was named to the Sporting News All-America Preseason Team in 1987. He served as a team captain his senior year after leading the team with 114 tackles as a junior to earn All-Patriot League honors.

## OFFENSIVE BESTS

### Points

1.	12/4/2008	Louisville	H	63
2.	9/15/2007	Norfolk State	H	59

### Total Offense

1.	12/4/2008	Louisville	H	671
2.	1/5/2008	Ball State	N	595

### Plays

1.	10/1/2011	Syracuse	A	95
2.	10/2/2004	Syracuse	A	92
	10/18/2003	Pittsburgh	H	92

### Offensive Touchdowns

1.	12/4/2008	Louisville	H	9
2.	10/25/2008	Pittsburgh	A	8
	9/15/2007	Norfolk State	H	8
	9/23/2006	Howard	H	8

### First Downs

1.	11/3/2007	Connecticut	A	29
	11/26/2005	Cincinnati	H	29

### Rushing Yards

1.	11/9/2007	Army	A	404
2.	11/26/2005	Cincinnati	H	337

## Passing Yards

1.	12/4/2008	Louisville	H	447
2.	11/26/2011	Connecticut	A	439

## Yards/Completion

1.	9/15/2007	Norfolk State	H	29.7
2.	9/12/2009	Howard	H	27.9

## Best Third Down Percentage

1.	12/4/2008	Louisville	H	80.0%
2.	9/27/2003	Navy	H	76.9%

## DEFENSIVE BESTS

### Fewest Points Allowed

1.	Nine Times			0
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### Fewest Total Yards Allowed

1.	9/27/2008	Morgan State	H	109
2.	9/16/2006	Ohio	H	119

### Fewest Yards/Play Allowed

1.	9/15/2007	Norfolk State	H	1.8
2.	9/1/2011	NC Central	H	2.0

### Fewest First Downs Allowed

1.	11/9/2007	Army	A	6
	12/28/2006	Kansas State	N	6

### Fewest Rushing Yards Allowed

1.	10/10/2009	Texas Southern	H	-25
2.	11/26/2005	Cincinnati	H	-23

### Fewest Passing Yards Allowed

1.	11/22/2008	Army	H	2
2.	10/23/2009	Army	A	16

### Most Interceptions

1.	10/8/2011	Pittsburgh	H	4
2.	10 Times			3

### Pass Breakups

1.	1/5/2008	Ball State	N	9
	9/13/2003	Army	A	9

### Forced Fumbles

1.	10/24/2020	Michigan State	A	5
	10/15/2005	Syracuse	A	5

### Tackles-For-Loss

1.	10/12/2002	West Virginia	H	15.5
2.	9/1/2011	NC Central	H	15.0

### Sacks

1.	9/1/2011	NC Central	H	9
	11/26/2005	Cincinnati	H	9

### Third Down Conversions Allowed

1.	Six Times			0
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### Turnovers Forced

1.	10/24/2020	Michigan State	A	7
2.	11/15/2008	USF	A	6

### Defensive/Special Teams Touchdowns

1.	Seven Times			2
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### Blocked Kicks

1.	9/27/2003	Navy	H	3
	11/21/2009	Syracuse	A	3

## TEAM BESTS

### Time of Possession

1.	11/9/2007	Army	A	41:56
2.	9/4/2004	Michigan State	H	40:14

### Fewest Penalties Committed

1.	11/12/2009	USF	H	1
	10/18/2008	Connecticut	H	1

**GAME  
6**

**Rutgers 37, Rutgers 30**  
Nov. 28, 2020 • West Lafayette, Ind.  
Ross-Ade Stadium



**Football Downs Purdue on the Road, 37-30**

**WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind.** – Rutgers football (2-4, 2-4) recorded its second Big Ten Conference road win of the season, downing Purdue (2-3, 2-3), 37-30, on Saturday night in West Lafayette, Indiana. The Scarlet Knights set a Big Ten program record with 26 first downs and produced five touchdowns against the Boilermakers, including two passes from quarterback Artur Sitkowski to wide receiver Shameen Jones, to earn the road victory at Ross-Ade Stadium.

Quarterback Johnny Langan also tossed a touchdown pass – a career-long 62-yard connection with running back Kay’Ron Adams – and added a team-high 95 yards on the ground. Running back Aaron Young crossed the goal line for the first time in his career, while wide receiver Aron Cruickshank returned a kickoff 100 yards for a touchdown as RU moved to 2-0 all-time against Purdue.

In a game that featured three lead changes and the Boilermakers up by as much as 10 in the second half, Rutgers used 21 points in the third quarter and churned out a two-quarter, 18-play, 70-yard scoring drive that took nearly 10 minutes off the clock to all but secure the second win for head coach Greg Schiano in his return “On the Banks.” The Scarlet Knights possessed the ball for 21:57 in the second half.

	1	2	3	4	Score
Rutgers	13	0	21	3	37
Purdue	7	16	7	0	30
<b>Rushing:</b>					
	<b>No.</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Langan, Johnny		21	95	0
PUR	Horvath, Zander		19	101	1
<b>Passing:</b>					
	<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Sitkowski, Artur		19-28-0	152	2
PUR	Plummer, Jack		20-35-1	237	1
<b>Receiving:</b>					
	<b>No.</b>		<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Jones, Shameen		8	88	2
PUR	Moore, Rondale		7	76	0
<b>Tackles:</b>					
	<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>	
RU	Fatukasi/Izien	5	3	8	-
PUR	Alexander, Jaylan	7	3	10	-

**GAME  
5**

**Michigan 48, Rutgers 42 (3OT)**  
Nov. 21, 2020 • Piscataway, N.J.  
SHI Stadium



**Football Edged in 3OT Thriller with Michigan, 48-42**

**PISCATAWAY, N.J.** – Rutgers football (1-4, 1-4) was edged in a triple overtime thriller with Michigan (2-3, 2-3), 48-42.

Quarterback Noah Vedral threw for a career-high 381 passing yards, eighth-most in a game in program history, with three touchdown passes, including a 61-yard toss to wide receiver Bo Melton. It marked the fifth consecutive outing with 20 or more points scored in Big Ten play, matching the Scarlet Knights’ output from the previous four seasons combined.

Linebacker Olakunle Fatukasi led the defense with 17 tackles and two sacks. With his 17 stops, Fatukasi became the first player since Aaron Brady in 1998 to produce 10 or more tackles in five consecutive games.

Michigan began the first overtime period with possession, faltering on a 35-yard field goal attempt. Rutgers, however, would miss a 45-yard field goal attempt of its own, leaving the score knotted at 35-35.

The Scarlet Knights wasted no time in the second overtime, as tight end Jovani Haskins reeled in a 25-yard touchdown from Vedral to move in front 42-35. The Wolverines countered with a 2-yard rush by Cade McNamara to tie the score, 42-42, and force a third overtime.

Michigan opened the third overtime with a touchdown - failing on a two-point conversion attempt - to set the margin at 48-42. However, in the end UM held on to escape with the win.

	1	2	3	4	1OT	2OT	3OT	Score
Michigan	0	7	14	14	0	7	6	48
Rutgers	7	10	10	8	0	7	0	42
<b>Rushing:</b>								
	<b>No.</b>			<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>			
UM	Haskins, Hassan			23	111	1		
RU	Pacheco, Isaih			15	43	0		
<b>Passing:</b>								
	<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>			<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>			
UM	McNamara, Cade			27-36-0	260	4		
RU	Vedral, Noah			29-43-1	381	3		
<b>Receiving:</b>								
	<b>No.</b>			<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>			
UM	Johnson, Cornelius			5	105	2		
RU	Jones, Shameen			7	127	0		
<b>Tackles:</b>								
	<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>				
UM	Ross, Josh	6	5	11	1.0-11			
RU	Fatukasi, Olakunle	6	11	17	2.5-19			

# GAME 7: RUTGERS VS. PENN STATE

## GAME 4

Illinois 23, Rutgers 20  
Nov. 14, 2020 • Piscataway, N.J.  
SHI Stadium



Football Falls Short to Illinois, 23-20

**PISCATAWAY, N.J.** – Rutgers football (1-3, 1-3) fell in a close contest with Illinois (1-3, 1-3), 23-20, on Saturday afternoon at SHI Stadium, presented by Horizon BCBSNJ. Wide receiver Bo Melton produced a career-high 150 receiving yards and two touchdowns, while quarterback Noah Vedral’s 256 passing yards also marked a personal best. Running back Isaih Pacheco added his first 100-yard rushing performance of the season with his 133 yards on the ground.

The Scarlet Knights held a lead for the majority of the game, which included a 10-point lead midway through the third quarter. But tied 20-20 with three seconds remaining, Illinois’ James McCourt connected on his fourth attempt of the fourth quarter, hitting a 47-yard field goal to inch in front for the win, 23-30.

Rutgers scored 20 points against the Fighting Illini, reaching at least 20 points for the fourth-straight conference game. The Scarlet Knights last posted at least 20 points in four-straight leagues games in 2011 as a member of the Big East.

Melton scored two receiving touchdowns to up his season total to four. He entered the season with two the previous three years. The last Scarlet Knight with at least four receiving scores in a season was Andre Patton with five in 2016. Melton has recorded a catch in each of the last 16 games.

	1	2	3	4	Score
Illinois	0	7	10	6	23
Rutgers	10	3	7	0	20
<b>Rushing:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
ILL	Williams, Isaiah	31	192	1	
RU	Pacheco, Isaih	20	133	0	
<b>Passing:</b>					
		<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
ILL	Williams, Isaiah	7-18-0	104	0	
RU	Vedral, Noah	21-34-3	256	2	
<b>Receiving:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
ILL	Washington, Casey	3	52	0	
RU	Melton, Bo	5	150	2	
<b>Tackles:</b>					
		<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>
ILL	Hansen, Jake	6	9	15	1.0-3
RU	Fatukasi, Olakunle	3	10	13	1.5-2

## GAME 3

No. 3 Ohio State 49, Rutgers 27  
Nov. 7, 2020 • Columbus, Ohio  
Ohio Stadium



Football Battles to the End at No. 3 Ohio State

**COLUMBUS, Ohio** – Despite outscoring its opponent, 24-14, in the second half, Rutgers football (1-2, 1-2) dropped a hard-fought 49-27 loss to No. 3 Ohio State (3-0, 3-0) on Saturday night in Columbus. Wide receiver Bo Melton returned a punt for a score, tight end Jovani Haskins hauled in a touchdown, quarterback Johnny Langan found the end zone on a one-yard rush and offensive lineman Raiqwon O’Neal scored on a trick play from four yards out for the Scarlet Knights.

The 27 points scored Saturday was the most by Rutgers in seven games against Ohio State. It was also the most for the program on the road against a top-three opponent (six games all time). The Scarlet Knights also allowed just one sack against an OSU defense that entered the game averaging four sacks per game and ranked third in the NCAA in the category.

Rutgers posted eight tackles-for-loss defensively, including three by defensive lineman Julius Turner. Linebacker Olakunle Fatukasi reached double-digit tackles for the third-straight game with a game-high 13 stops. He has also posted multiple tackles-for-loss in back-to-back weeks.

Defensive back Avery Young threw back to Melton for a 58-yard punt return touchdown in the fourth quarter. It was the first Rutgers punt return for a touchdown since Janarion Grant versus New Mexico in 2016. Melton also recorded a reception in his 15th consecutive game.

	1	2	3	4	Score
Rutgers	3	0	6	18	27
Ohio State	7	28	7	7	49
<b>Rushing:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Pacheco, Isaih	7	68	0	
OSU	Sermon, Trey	12	68	0	
<b>Passing:</b>					
		<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Vedral, Noah	22-33-0	168	0	
OSU	Fields, Justin	24-28-0	314	5	
<b>Receiving:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Melton, Bo	7	86	0	
OSU	Wilson, Garrett	6	104	1	
<b>Tackles:</b>					
		<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>
RU	Fatukasi, Olakunle	7	6	13	2.0-6
OSU	Borland, Tuf	3	3	6	1.0-8



**GAME  
2**

**No. 17 Indiana 37, Rutgers 21**  
Oct. 31, 2020 • Piscataway, N.J.  
SHI Stadium



**Football Drops 2020 Home Opener to No. 17 Indiana**

**PISCATAWAY, N.J.** – Rutgers (1-1, 1-1) fell to No. 17 Indiana (2-0, 2-0), 37-21, on Saturday afternoon at SHI Stadium, presented by PNC Bank. Wide receiver Bo Melton and running back Kay’Ron Adams contributed touchdowns for the Scarlet Knights, as Greg Schiano coached his first home game “On the Banks” since returning as head coach.

Linebacker Olakunle Fatukasi posted a career-high 14 tackles with 2.5 for loss, with safety Brendon White contributing 12 stops. Defensive end CJ Onyechi registered a sack, one of seven Scarlet Knight tackles-for-loss, in his first start of the season.

Rutgers struck first, as quarterback Noah Vedral connected with Melton for a 23-yard touchdown to put the Scarlet Knights up 7-0 with 7:35 left in the quarter. It capped a five-play, 43-yard scoring drive and marked the second consecutive outing RU took the first lead of the game.

The Scarlet Knights would find the end zone again in the third quarter, as RU used a 10-play, 80-yard scoring drive finished off with a 37-yard touchdown run from Adams. Vedral then found running back Isaih Pacheco on a swing pass to the right side to convert the two-point attempt, as Rutgers trailed Indiana, 23-15, with 5:34 to go in the third quarter.

Rutgers never let up, tacking on a touchdown with 3:21 on the clock as Vedral found Melton for the second time of the game this time with a 16-yard pass.

	1	2	3	4	Score
Indiana	3	17	10	7	37
Rutgers	7	0	8	6	21
<b>Rushing:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
IU	Scott III, Stevie	21	81	0	
RU	Adams, Kay’Ron	5	63	1	
<b>Passing:</b>					
		<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
IU	Penix Jr., Michael	17-26-0	238	3	
RU	Vedral, Noah	21-34-3	130	2	
<b>Receiving:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
IU	Philyor, Whop	5	137	0	
RU	Melton, Bo	4	48	2	
<b>Tackles:</b>					
		<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>
IU	Taylor, Reese	7	1	8	1.0-4
RU	Fatukasi, Olakunle	6	8	14	2.5-4

**GAME  
1**

**Rutgers 38, Michigan State 27**  
Oct. 24, 2020 • East Lansing, Mich.  
Spartan Stadium



**Football Defeats Michigan State in 2020 Season Opener**

**EAST LANSING, Mich.** – Behind a dominant defensive effort and an opportunistic scoring attack, Rutgers football (1-0, 1-0) downed Michigan State (0-1, 0-1), 38-27, on Saturday afternoon in East Lansing to open the 2020 season. The Scarlet Knights – who never trailed in the road match-up and limited the Spartans to just one trip inside the red zone – scored 21 points off seven takeaways to deliver Greg Schiano his first win since returning as head coach.

A staple during Schiano’s first tenure “On the Banks,” RU’s defense flourished against MSU. Rutgers’ seven takeaways (six on defense and one on special teams) were the most in a conference game since it joined the Big Ten in 2014 and most overall since 2000. The Scarlet Knights generated 12 tackles-for-loss – which included two sacks from defensive end Mohamed Toure – and picked off Rocky Lombardi twice with interceptions from cornerback Tre Avery and safety Brendon White.

Noah Vedral made his first start at quarterback for Rutgers and finished 18-of-29 with 169 yards and a 14-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver Shameen Jones. Vedral scored one of four rushing touchdowns for the Scarlet Knights, as running back Isaih Pacheco (two touchdowns) and quarterback Johnny Langan (one rushing score) also found paydirt to help Rutgers secure its fourth win all time against MSU.

The 11-point win tied for the largest margin of victory on the road in Big Ten action since Rutgers defeated Illinois, 35-24, on Oct. 14, 2017 in Champaign.

	1	2	3	4	Score
Rutgers	14	14	0	10	38
Michigan State	7	6	7	7	27
<b>Rushing:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Pacheco, Isaih	19	61	2	
MSU	Simmons, Jordan	14	43	0	
<b>Passing:</b>					
		<b>Cmp-Att-Int</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Vedral, Noah	18-29-1	169	1	
MSU	Lombardi, Rocky	31-43-2	319	3	
<b>Receiving:</b>					
		<b>No.</b>	<b>Yds</b>	<b>TD</b>	
RU	Melton, Bo	4	50	0	
MSU	Reed, Jayden	11	128	2	
<b>Tackles:</b>					
		<b>Solo</b>	<b>Ast</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>TFL-Yds</b>
RU	Fogg, Tyshon	3	11	14	2.0-7
MSU	Simmons, Antjuan	4	7	11	3.0-8



**2020 Rutgers Football**  
**Rutgers Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 30, 2020)**  
**All games**



<b>Team Statistics</b>	<b>RU</b>	<b>OPP</b>
SCORING	185	214
Points Per Game	30.8	35.7
Points Off Turnovers	31	40
FIRST DOWNS	126	145
Rushing	47	55
Passing	67	70
Penalty	12	20
RUSHING YARDAGE	815	1022
Yards gained rushing	977	1166
Yards lost rushing	162	144
Rushing Attempts	231	251
Average Per Rush	3.5	4.1
Average Per Game	135.8	170.3
TDs Rushing	10	9
PASSING YARDAGE	1401	1561
Comp-Att-Int	147-223-8	131-198-3
Average Per Pass	6.3	7.9
Average Per Catch	9.5	11.9
Average Per Game	233.5	260.2
TDs Passing	12	17
TOTAL OFFENSE	2216	2583
Total Plays	454	449
Average Per Play	4.9	5.8
Average Per Game	369.3	430.5
KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	21-532	24-519
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	5-67	7-31
INT RETURNS: #-Yards	3-45	8-57
KICK RETURN AVERAGE	25.3	21.6
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	13.4	4.4
INT RETURN AVERAGE	15.0	7.1
FUMBLES-LOST	7-4	10-8
PENALTIES-Yards	53-426	43-372
Average Per Game	71.0	62.0
PUNTS-Yards	27-1151	22-903
Average Per Punt	42.6	41.0
Net punt average	41.5	37.1
KICKOFFS-Yards	34-1862	37-2235
Average Per Kick	54.8	60.4
Net kick average	36.6	37.9
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	29:31	30:29
3RD-DOWN Conversions	37/95	33/83
3rd-Down Pct	39%	40%
4TH-DOWN Conversions	7/14	7/11
4th-Down Pct	50%	64%
SACKS BY-Yards	9-58	11-89
MISC YARDS	0	0
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	24	27
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	7-8	8-13
ON-SIDE KICKS	1-3	0-1
RED-ZONE SCORES	(19-21) 90%	(26-29) 90%
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(14-21) 67%	(21-29) 72%
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(16-17) 94%	(26-26) 100%
ATTENDANCE	0	2003
Games/Avg Per Game	3/0	3/668
Neutral Site Games		0/0

<b>Score by Quarters</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>OT</b>	<b>Total</b>
Rutgers	54	27	52	45	7	185
Opponents	24	81	55	41	13	214



**2020 Rutgers Football**  
 Rutgers Individual Season/Career Statistics (as of Nov 30, 2020)  
 All games



	SEASON									CAREER								
<b>Rushing</b>	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g	gp	att	gain	loss	net	avg	td	lg	avg/g
Pacheco, Isaih	6	86	419	29	390	4.5	2	66	65.0	29	366	1749	79	1670	4.6	12	80	57.6
Langan, Johnny	6	37	137	3	134	3.6	4	10	22.3	17	171	672	147	525	3.1	7	32	30.9
Adams, Kay'Ron	6	17	102	2	100	5.9	1	37	16.7	15	65	282	21	261	4.0	2	37	17.4
Vedral, Noah	5	45	180	92	88	2.0	1	24	17.6	20	100	437	153	284	2.8	7	24	14.2
Young, Aaron	6	27	81	3	78	2.9	1	10	13.0	18	70	252	21	231	3.3	1	17	12.8
Cruikshank, Aron	6	4	27	1	26	6.5	0	22	4.3	33	23	218	3	215	9.3	2	27	6.5
Sitkowski, Artur	2	6	15	7	8	1.3	0	8	4.0	16	36	59	124	-65	-1.8	0	12	-4.1
Melton, Bo	6	2	6	0	6	3.0	0	5	1.0	42	12	59	8	51	4.2	0	21	1.2
O'Neal, Raiqwon	5	1	4	0	4	4.0	1	4	0.8	18	1	4	0	4	4.0	1	4	0.2
Jones, Shameen	6	2	6	6	0	0.0	0	6	0.0	28	6	17	6	11	1.8	0	6	0.4
TEAM	3	4	0	19	-19	-4.8	0	0	-6.3									
Total	6	231	977	162	815	3.5	10	66	135.8									
Opponents	6	251	1166	144	1022	4.1	9	39	170.3									
<b>Passing</b>	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g	gp	effic	comp-att-int	pct	yds	td	lg	avg/g		
Vedral, Noah	5	123.78	111-173-8	64.2	1104	8	66	220.8	20	127.06	169-263-9	64.3	1827	9	66	91.3		
Sitkowski, Artur	2	128.23	28-41-0	68.3	214	2	14	107.0	16	89.11	206-382-20	53.9	1801	7	74	112.6		
Langan, Johnny	6	269.65	8-8-0	100.0	83	2	62	13.8	17	100.20	88-167-9	52.7	923	6	62	54.3		
Young, Aaron	6	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	18	0.00	0-1-0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0		
Total	6	129.28	147-223-8	65.9	1401	12	66	233.5										
Opponents	6	157.69	131-198-3	66.2	1561	17	63	260.2										
<b>Receiving</b>	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g	gp	no.	yds	avg	td	lg	avg/g				
Melton, Bo	6	30	474	15.8	5	66	79.0	42	92	1229	13.4	7	66	29.3				
Cruikshank, Aron	6	30	216	7.2	1	43	36.0	33	34	256	7.5	1	43	7.8				
Jones, Shameen	6	27	307	11.4	3	32	51.2	28	44	477	10.8	4	32	17.0				
Young, Aaron	6	16	62	3.9	0	8	10.3	18	31	175	5.6	0	39	9.7				
Pacheco, Isaih	6	14	90	6.4	0	16	15.0	29	29	184	6.3	0	23	6.3				
Washington, Isaiah	6	7	71	10.1	0	26	11.8	18	25	343	13.7	1	51	19.1				
Alaimo, Matt	6	6	18	3.0	0	7	3.0	18	12	78	6.5	0	17	4.3				
Woods, Paul	3	5	27	5.4	0	12	9.0	14	14	75	5.4	0	12	5.4				
Haskins, Jovani	6	4	46	11.5	2	25	7.7	29	24	212	8.8	3	25	7.3				
Dremel, Christian	6	4	34	8.5	0	14	5.7	10	6	53	8.8	0	14	5.3				
Adams, Kay'Ron	6	2	68	34.0	1	62	11.3	15	4	115	28.8	1	62	7.7				
Langan, Johnny	6	2	10	5.0	0	6	1.7	17	2	10	5.0	0	6	0.6				
Vedral, Noah	5	0	-9	0.0	0	0	-1.8	20	0	-9	0.0	0	0	-0.4				
O'Neal, Raiqwon	5	0	-13	0.0	0	0	-2.6	18	0	-13	0.0	0	0	-0.7				
Total	6	147	1401	9.5	12	66	233.5											
Opponents	6	131	1561	11.9	17	63	260.2											
<b>Total Offense</b>	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g	g	plays	rush	pass	total	avg/g						
Vedral, Noah	5	218	88	1104	1192	238.4	20	363	284	1827	2111	105.6						
Pacheco, Isaih	6	86	390	0	390	65.0	29	370	1670	58	1728	59.6						
Sitkowski, Artur	2	47	8	214	222	111.0	16	418	-65	1801	1736	108.5						
Langan, Johnny	6	45	134	83	217	36.2	17	338	525	923	1448	85.2						
Adams, Kay'Ron	6	17	100	0	100	16.7	15	65	261	0	261	17.4						
Young, Aaron	6	28	78	0	78	13.0	18	71	231	0	231	12.8						
Cruikshank, Aron	6	4	26	0	26	4.3	33	23	215	0	215	6.5						
Melton, Bo	6	2	6	0	6	1.0	42	12	51	0	51	1.2						
O'Neal, Raiqwon	5	1	4	0	4	0.8	18	1	4	0	4	0.2						
TEAM	3	4	-19	0	-19	-6.3												
Total	6	454	815	1401	2216	369.3												
Opponents	6	449	1022	1561	2583	430.5												



**2020 Rutgers Football**  
 Rutgers Individual Season/Career Statistics (as of Nov 30, 2020)  
**All games**



Scoring	SEASON						CAREER										
	td	fg	PAT			dxp	saf	pts	td	fg	PAT			dxp	saf	pts	
			kick	rush	rcv	pass					kick	rush	rcv	pass	dxp	saf	pts
Melton, Bo	6	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	36	8	-	-	-	0-1	-	-	48
Ambrosio, Valentino	-	5-6	10-11	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	5-6	10-11	-	-	-	-	25
Langan, Johnny	4	-	-	0-1	-	0-1	-	-	24	7	-	-	0-1	-	0-1	-	42
Jones, Shameen	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	24
Pacheco, Isaih	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	14	12	-	-	1	-	-	-	74
Haskins, Jovani	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Fava, Guy	-	2-2	6-6	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	2-2	6-6	-	-	-	-	12
Adams, KayRon	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
Cruickshank, Aron	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	36
Vedral, Noah	1	-	-	1-1	-	1-3	-	-	8	7	-	-	1-1	-	1-3	-	44
O'Neal, Raiqwon	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Young, Aaron	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7-8</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1-5</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>185</b>								
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8-13</b>	<b>26-26</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0-1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>214</b>								

Punt Returns						Punt Returns					
no.	yds	avg	td	lg		no.	yds	avg	td	lg	
Young, Avery	5	9	1.8	0	9	25	98	3.9	0	22	
Melton, Bo	0	58	0.0	1	58	0	58	0.0	1	58	
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>58</b>						
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>						

Kick Returns						Kick Returns					
no.	yds	avg	td	lg		no.	yds	avg	td	lg	
Cruickshank, Aron	19	464	24.4	1	100	68	1671	24.6	3	100	
Melton, Bo	1	65	65.0	0	39	1	65	65.0	0	39	
Young, Avery	1	3	3.0	0	3	1	3	3.0	0	3	
<b>Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>532</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>						
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>21.6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>95</b>						

Interceptions						Interceptions					
no.	yds	avg	td	lg		no.	yds	avg	td	lg	
Toure, Mohamed	1	13	13.0	0	13	1	13	13.0	0	13	
White, Brendon	1	13	13.0	0	13	2	62	31.0	0	49	
Avery, Tre	1	19	19.0	0	19	3	19	6.3	0	19	
<b>Total</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>15.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>						
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26</b>						

Fumble Returns						Fumble Returns					
no.	yds	avg	td	lg		no.	yds	avg	td	lg	
Izien, Christian	1	9	9.0	0	9	1	9	9.0	0	9	
<b>Total</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>						
<b>Opponents</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>						



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**All games**



All Purpose	SEASON								CAREER							
	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g	g	rush	rcv	pr	kr	ir	total	avg/g
Cruickshank, Aro	6	26	216	0	464	0	706	117.7	33	215	256	14	1671	0	2156	65.3
Melton, Bo	6	6	474	58	65	0	603	100.5	42	51	1229	58	65	0	1403	33.4
Pacheco, Isaih	6	390	90	0	0	0	480	80.0	29	1670	184	0	348	0	2202	75.9
Jones, Shameen	6	0	307	0	0	0	307	51.2	28	11	477	0	0	0	488	17.4
Adams, Kay/Ron	6	100	68	0	0	0	168	28.0	15	261	115	0	0	0	376	25.1
Langan, Johnny	6	134	10	0	0	0	144	24.0	17	525	10	0	0	0	535	31.5
Young, Aaron	6	78	62	0	0	0	140	23.3	18	231	175	7	550	0	963	53.5
Vedral, Noah	5	88	-9	0	0	0	79	15.8	20	284	-9	0	0	0	275	13.8
Washington, Isai	6	0	71	0	0	0	71	11.8	18	0	343	0	0	0	343	19.1
Haskins, Jovani	6	0	46	0	0	0	46	7.7	29	0	212	0	0	0	212	7.3
Dremel, Christian	6	0	34	0	0	0	34	5.7	10	0	53	0	0	0	53	5.3
Woods, Paul	3	0	27	0	0	0	27	9.0	14	0	75	0	7	0	82	5.9
Avery, Tre	6	0	0	0	0	19	19	3.2	20	0	0	0	169	19	188	9.4
Alaimo, Matt	6	0	18	0	0	0	18	3.0	18	0	78	0	0	0	78	4.3
White, Brendon	5	0	0	0	0	13	13	2.6	34	0	0	0	0	62	62	1.8
Toure, Mohamed	6	0	0	0	0	13	13	2.2	8	0	0	0	0	13	13	1.6
Young, Avery	6	0	0	9	3	0	12	2.0	30	0	0	98	3	0	101	3.4
Sitkowski, Artur	2	8	0	0	0	0	8	4.0	16	-65	0	0	0	0	-65	-4.1
O'Neal, Raiqwon	5	4	-13	0	0	0	-9	-1.8	18	4	-13	0	0	0	-9	-0.5
TEAM	3	-19	0	0	0	0	-19	-6.3								
Total	6	815	1401	67	532	45	2860	476.7								
Opponents	6	1022	1561	31	519	57	3190	531.7								

Field Goals	att	good	long	blkd	att	good	long	blkd
Ambrosio, Valentino	6	5	42	0	6	5	42	0
Fava, Guy	2	2	44	0	2	2	44	0
Total	8	7	44	0				
Opponents	13	8	48	0				

Punting	no.	yds	avg	lg	blk	no.	yds	avg	lg	blk
Korsak, Adam	27	1151	42.6	66	0	181	7811	43.2	79	0
Total	27	1151	42.6	66	0					
Opponents	22	903	41.0	59	0					

Kickoffs	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob	no.	yds	avg	tb	ob
Davidovicz, Justin	23	1345	58.5	4	0	134	8071	60.2	40	2
Fava, Guy	11	517	47.0	0	0	22	1146	52.1	2	2
Total	34	1862	54.8	4	0					
Opponents	37	2235	60.4	12	2					

