



OKLAHOMA FOOTBALL

OU POSTGAME NOTES

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GENERAL NOTES

- With the 59-31 win, Lincoln Riley set the Oklahoma record for most victories in a debut season, passing Barry Switzer (10 in 1973) and Chuck Fairbanks (10 in 1967). Riley also became the 13th coach in FBS history with no previous head coaching experience at a four-year college to win at least 11 games in his first year.
- Oklahoma is 8-2 all-time against West Virginia, including a 5-1 mark in Norman. OU is 6-0 in the series since WVU joined the Big 12, making the Sooners the only team in the league that the Mountaineers have not defeated since joining the conference in 2012.
- Oklahoma has won 21 of its past 22 games overall and 24 of its last 25 within league play.
- Oklahoma is 70-13-2 all-time as the No. 3 team in the AP Poll (32-3 at home). OU is 47-6 as the No. 3 AP team against unranked opponents (24-3 at home).
- The Sooners have won their last 13 games in the month of November.
- Oklahoma scored a touchdown on each of its first six possessions. The Sooners' seventh possession of the first half consisted of just one play, a 51-yard field goal make by kicker Austin Seibert as time expired to put Oklahoma up 45-10 at the half. OU's 45 points represent their most in any half since OU scored 49 points against Nebraska in 2008.
- The Sooners scored on their first nine possessions of the game (8 TDs, 1 FG), with their first punt coming with under 13 mins to play in the fourth quarter.
- OU's 443 yards of total offense in the first half were 10th most in school history in any half and the ninth most ever in a first half. OU finished with 646 total yards, its third highest total of the year and its seventh game this season over the 600-yard mark.
- Oklahoma finished the game with 313 rushing yards and 333 passing yards, marking just the sixth time since 1996 that OU went over 300 yards in each category.
- The Sooners averaged a program-record 12.0 yards per play with 646 yards on 54 plays, besting the previous mark of 11.4 at Kansas State in 1971.
- The Sooners' notched their 116th straight sell out with 86,117 fans on hand to watch the regular season finale.
- Seniors Dimitri Flowers, Jordan Smallwood and D.J. Ward were named co-recipients of the Don Key Award, given annually to recognize the program's most outstanding seniors for their superior qualities on the field and in the classroom.

INDIVIDUAL NOTES

QB BAKER MAYFIELD

- Completed 14-of-17 passes for 281 yards and 3 touchdowns with no interceptions to record a passing efficiency rating of 279.4. That mark is the fourth best in program history (min. 15 attempts). Mayfield now owns four of the top 10 QB efficiency games in OU history.
- Now has 125 career TD passes, passing former Sooners quarterback Landry Jones (123) for sixth in FBS history.
- Has thrown a TD pass in a Big 12-record 38 consecutive games (every contest of his OU career). That mark ties him with Russell Wilson for the third longest streak ever. Mayfield also holds the Big 12 record with 25 consecutive games of at least two TD passes (76 TDs to 13 interceptions during the stretch). That is believed to be the second longest streak in FBS history (Boise State's Kellen Moore had a streak of 26 games).
- With 286 yards of total offense, now ranks sixth in FBS history with 15,094. He passed Texas' Colt McCoy (14,824) and Marshall's Rakeem Cato (14,918).
- His 281 passing yards propelled him past N.C. State's Philip Rivers (13,983) for 10th in FBS history with 14,077.
- His 37 passing TDs and 4,097 passing yards and 4,342 yards of total offense this season all rank as the fifth-best singles-season totals in OU history with at least two games to play.

QB KYLER MURRAY

- Made his first start as a Sooner and the fourth of his career (first since Nov. 14, 2015, against Western Carolina while he was at Texas A&M). He became the first Sooner to start at QB other than Baker Mayfield since Trevor Knight started the 2014 Russell Athletic Bowl against Clemson.
 - Logged a career-long 66-yard rush on the first play from scrimmage to set up 4-yard TD run from Rodney Anderson on the very next play. The rush was the fourth longest by a Sooner QB at home and the longest non-scoring rush by an OU QB at home. It was also the longest rush by a Sooner quarterback since Eric Moore went 80 yards for a touchdown against Baylor in 1997.
 - Murray finished 80 rushing yards on three carries and threw for 52 yards and a touchdown as he completed both of his passes.
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RB RODNEY ANDERSON

- Ran for 118 yards on 13 carries and a career-high four TDs (all in the first half).
- Became just the third FBS player since 2012, and the second in program history (DeMarco Murray) to register four TDs in a half in multiple games in a season (ran for two and caught two against Kansas State).
- Anderson's performance made him the 19th player in school history to record four rushing touchdowns in one game; it was the 29th such occurrence.
- Has accounted for at least one touchdown in seven consecutive contests.
- On his second carry of the day he notched a career-long 58-yard rush that set up OU's second touchdown of the day, putting Oklahoma up 14-3.

TE MARK ANDREWS

- Caught 4 passes for 61 yards and a touchdown, all in the the first half, setting a school record for career receiving yards by a tight end with 1,655 (previous record of 1,629 was held by Jermaine Gresham).
- He became the 22nd OU player in school history to reach 100 career receptions (101 total). He is also the 20th player in school history to reach 50 catches in a season (30th occurrence).

WR CEEDEE LAMB

- Tied the OU freshman record (Mark Andrews, 2015) with his seventh receiving touchdown on an 8-yard score from Baker Mayfield early in the first quarter.
- That reception also tied him with Antwone Savage (1999) for fifth in OU history among freshmen with 37 on the year. He finished the game with four total catches to put him in fourth place alone with 41.
- His team-high 92 receiving yards moved him into second place in OU history among freshmen with 741 receiving yards on the year (Kenny Stills' program record of 786 was set in 2010).

TE GRANT CALCATERRA

- Hauled in his third career touchdown reception on an 18-yard toss from Baker Mayfield on the Sooners' opening drive of the second half. Finished with two grabs for 32 yards.

WR MYLES TEASE

- Recorded his second career catch and his first career TD on a 46-yard catch and run from Kyler Murray in the third quarter.

LB OGBONNIA OKORONKWO

- Recovered his second career fumble, both of which have come this year, late in the first quarter.

LB EMMANUEL BEAL

- Recorded a career-high 11 tackles; the most by a Sooner this year.

LB KENNETH MURRAY

- Notched a career-best nine tackles.

CB PARNELL MOTLEY

- Recovered his first career fumble to set up a 51-yard field goal for the Sooners as time expired in the first half. He also added six tackles and a PBU.

DL AMANI BLEDSOE

- Logged a career-best four tackles to go along with a team-high 1.5 tackles for loss.

K/P AUSTIN SEIBERT

- Moved into fourth place in program history with 338 career points, passing R.D. Lashar (328).
 - Kicked a career-long 51 yard field goal as the time expired in the first half. That kick tied him with Jimmy Stevens for seventh in OU history with 42 career FGs made. Seibert's 51-yarder also gives him 11 straight makes dating back to the OU-Texas contest.
 - The kick was the 23rd 50-plus-yard field goal in OU history. It was the longest make by an OU placekicker since Michael Hunnicutt made a 53-yarder against Kansas State in 2011.
 - With eight extra points, Seibert has now made 70 this season, breaking Tim Lashar's program record of 66 straight to open a season without a miss.
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