

SOUTH CAROLINA (6-3, 3-3) at VANDERBILT (3-6, 0-5)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2022 • FIRSTBANK STADIUM | NASHVILLE, TENN.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA NOTES

- Attendance at FirstBank Stadium is 28,553
- South Carolina's captains for the game were Jovaughn Gwyn, Zacch Pickens, Darius Rush and Josh Vann.
- Carolina has now won 14 games in a row against the Commodores.
- Carolina leads the all-time series with Vanderbilt, 28-4, and are 15-2 in games in Nashville.
- Carolina is now bowl eligible for the second straight season and will be heading to its 26th bowl game in school history.
- South Carolina is now 627-604-44 all-time.
- South Carolina won the toss and deferred.
- B.J. Gibson and Christian Beal-Smith made their first starts in the Vanderbilt game.
- Joey Hunter made his first appearance of the season in the Vanderbilt game.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA OFFENSE NOTES

- Carolina's first offensive drive went five plays for 70 yards and ended with a Xavier Legette 29-yard touchdown reception from Spencer Rattler. It was Legette's first touchdown reception of the season and third of his career.
- Dakereon Joyner threw his first pass of the season, a 68-yard touchdown to Antwane Wells Jr. with 8:36 left in the first quarter. It was Wells' third touchdown reception of the season and Joyner's second career touchdown pass.
- Wells had another touchdown reception with 51 seconds left in the third quarter on a 17-yard pass from Spencer Rattler.
- Christian Beal-Smith rumbled for a 52-yard touchdown with 9:13 left in the first half. It was Beal-Smith's season long for yards on a play and was his fifth rushing touchdown of the year.
- Josh Vann ended the first half with a 19-yard touchdown reception from Spencer Rattler. It was Vann's first touchdown reception of the season.
- Vann's touchdown reception was the 100th reception of his Carolina career. Vann is one of 20 Gamecocks to have 100 receptions in his career.
- Carolina had a season-high 31 points in the first half.
- Spencer Rattler was 16-for-23 for 186 yards and three touchdowns. The three touchdowns in a game was a season high.
- Antwane Wells Jr. had four receptions for 110 yards and a touchdown in the win. Wells recorded his and the Gamecocks' second 100-yard receiving contest of the season.
- Carolina had 492 yards of total offense (208 rushing, 284 passing).

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA DEFENSE NOTES

- Darius Rush picked up his second interception of the season on Vanderbilt's first possession. Carolina now has 10 interceptions on the year.
- DQ Smith forced a fumble with 1:33 left in the first quarter, his first of the season, with Alex Huntley recording his first fumble recovery of 2022. It led to a Mitch Jeter 31-yard field goal.
- Nick Emmanwori led the Gamecocks with nine tackles, six solos.
- DQ Smith and Jordan Burch each had sacks in the win.
- B.J. Gibson had seven solo tackles in his first start as a Gamecock.
- O'Donnell Fortune had a forced fumble in the fourth quarter to give Carolina the ball with 4:10 left.
- Fortune also had an interception with 1:04 remaining in the game.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Kai Kroeger completed a 16-yard pass to Tonka Hemingway on a fake field goal in the third quarter.

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resulting in a first down.

- Kai Kroeger had five punts for a 53.6-yard average on the night.
- Mitch Jeter had a 31-yard field goal in the first quarter and is now 9-for-9 on field goals this season.