



# 2015 FOOTBALL

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### 2015 MW FOOTBALL STANDINGS: MOUNTAIN DIVISION

Team (Coaches/AP)	MW	PF	PA	Hm	Rd	Pct	Overall	PF	PA	Hm	Rd	Neu	Pct	Streak
Air Force	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Won 2
Boise State (24/23)	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Won 9
Colorado State	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 2
New Mexico	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Won 1
Utah State	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Won 1
Wyoming	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 3

### 2015 MW FOOTBALL STANDINGS: WEST DIVISION

Team (Coaches/AP)	MW	PF	PA	Hm	Rd	Pct	Overall	PF	PA	Hm	Rd	Neu	Pct	Streak
Fresno State	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 2
Hawai'i	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 1
Nevada	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 1
San Diego State	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 1
San José State	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 6
UNLV	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	.000	0-0	0	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	.000	Lost 6

### THIS WEEK

Thursday, September 3	TV/Web	Time
Abilene Christian at Fresno State	MWN-Campus Insiders	7 p.m. PT
UC Davis at Nevada	MWN-Institutional	7 p.m. PT
New Hampshire at San José State		7 p.m. PT
Southern Utah at Utah State		7 p.m. MT
Colorado at Hawai'i	CBS Sports Network	7 p.m. HT

Friday, September 4	TV/Web	Time
Washington at #24/23 Boise State	ESPN	8:15 p.m. MT

Saturday, September 5	TV/Web	Time
Morgan State at Air Force	ROOT SPORTS/MWN	1:30 p.m. MT
Savannah State at Colorado State	MWN-Institutional	2 p.m. MT
North Dakota at Wyoming		2 p.m. MT
San Diego at San Diego State	Mountain West Network	5 p.m. PT
Miss. Valley State at New Mexico		6 p.m. MT
UNLV at Northern Illinois	CBS Sports Network	6:30 p.m. CT

### 2015 MOUNTAIN WEST FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The 2015 Mountain West Football Championship game will kick off at 4:30 p.m. PT/5:30 p.m. MT on Saturday, December 5. The contest will be hosted at the home stadium of the regular-season Mountain West divisional champion with the highest College Football Playoff committee ranking. ESPN2 will broadcast the match-up.



#### QUICK FACTS

**Date:** . . . . Sat., Dec. 5, 2015  
**Time:** . . . . 4:30 p.m. PT / 5:30 p.m. MT  
**Television:** ESPN2  
**Site:** . . . . Home stadium of the regular-season divisional champion with the highest CFP committee ranking.  
**Mountain:** . Air Force, Boise State, Colorado State, New Mexico, Utah State, Wyoming  
**West:** . . . . Fresno State, Hawai'i, Nevada, San Diego State, San José State, UNLV



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**THE INTERNET - THEMW.COM**

The official Mountain West website is hosted by SportsLabs as part of Silver Chalice Ventures. Live stats will be available for each home football game, and box scores will be posted on TheMW.com following the conclusion of each contest. You can also find:

- MW Football Standings
- Team-by-Team Statistics and Results
- Overall and Conference-Only Statistics (PDF available)
- Weekly Release (PDF available)
- Players of the Week
- Television Information

**STATISTICS/WEEKLY RELEASES**

The MW will post updated statistics to the Conference website no later than the morning following every game. The MW Players of the Week and the weekly press notes will be made available every Monday. You may obtain this information either on the Conference website or via email.

**PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

Mountain West Players of the Week will be released every Monday from September 7 - November 30. Nominations are submitted by the institutional sports information offices and the winners are selected by the MW communications staff. Weekly award winners are selected for offense, defense and special teams.

**AWARDS AND HONORS**

The league champion will be based on Conference play. The annual individual awards will be voted on by each of the 12 head coaches and selected members of the media. Following is a list of regular-season awards that will be presented:

- Regular-Season Team Champion
- Coach of the Year
- Offensive Player of the Year
- Defensive Player of the Year
- Special Teams Player of the Year
- Freshman of the Year
- All-Conference, First and Second Team  
(11 offensive players by position, 11 defensive players by position, 1 place kicker, 1 punter, 1 special teams player)

**MOUNTAIN WEST EMAIL SERVICE**

Information regarding the Mountain West's 18 sponsored sports will be emailed throughout the year to accredited media. To be added to the email list, please contact Javan Hedlund in the Conference office.


**ACCESS TO MW PHOTOS, VIDEO AND AUDIO**

Video highlights, audio clips and high-resolution photos will be made available to accredited media throughout the 2015 MW football season. To access this content, please contact the Conference office.

**ACCESS TO MW PHOTOS, VIDEO AND AUDIO**

The best way to stay on top of breaking news, trending topics and quick-hitting notes for your blog or columns is to follow the Mountain West online. Visit the Conference's official website and mobile applications for iPhone, iPad, iPod touch and Android devices to stay on top of all of the action:

You can also follow the Mountain West on the league's official social media channels:

 @MountainWest | @MW\_MHoops | @MW\_WHoops | @MW\_OlySports  
Hashtag: #MWFB

 Facebook.com/MountainWestConference

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**WEEKLY AND POST-GAME PRESS CONFERENCES BROADCAST LIVE FOR FREE ON MOUNTAIN WEST NETWORK**

The Mountain West Network will telecast and archive each of the 12 weekly coaches' press conferences on TheMW.com, CampusInsiders.com and the respective institutional website. The regular-season schedule will typically be held as follows:

Date	Coach, School	Time
Mondays	Matt Wells, Utah State	11:30 a.m. MT
	Tim DeRuyter, Fresno State	11 a.m. PT
	Mike Bobo, Colorado State	Noon MT
	Craig Bohl, Wyoming	Noon MT
	Bryan Harsin, Boise State	1 p.m. MT
	Ron Caragher, San José State	1 p.m. PT
Tuesdays	Norm Chow, Hawai'i	(available on tape-delayed basis)
	Bob Davie, New Mexico	11:30 a.m. MT
	Brian Polian, Nevada	Noon PT
	Rocky Long, San Diego State	Noon PT
	Troy Calhoun, Air Force	12:30 p.m. MT
	Tony Sanchez, UNLV	1 p.m. PT

All post-game press conference for home games will also be streamed and archived. Visit [TheMW.com/#/watch-live](http://TheMW.com/#/watch-live) for additional information and for schedule updates.

**collegypressbox.com**  
SINCE 2005 EVERYTHING BUT THE PRE-GAME MEAL

CollegePressBox.com is the official media website for Division I football. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member institutions. Login information will be distributed to accredited media by contacting Javan Hedlund (jhedlund@TheMW.com) or Stuart Buchanan (sbuchanan@TheMW.com). You can also apply for a password by sending an email to [password@collegypressbox.com](mailto:password@collegypressbox.com).



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## HEAD COACHING RECORDS

### Air Force - Troy Calhoun

Overall: .59-44 (9th season)  
 School: .59-44 (9th season)

### Boise State - Bryan Harsin

Overall: .19-7 (3rd season)  
 School: .12-2 (2nd season)

### Colorado State - Mike Bobo

Overall: .0-0 (1st season)  
 School: .0-0 (1st season)

### Fresno State - Tim DeRuyter

Overall: .26-14 (4th season)  
 School: .26-14 (4th season)

### Hawai'i - Norm Chow

Overall: .8-29 (4th season)  
 School: .8-29 (4th season)

### Nevada - Brian Polian

Overall: .11-14 (3rd season)  
 School: .11-14 (3rd season)

### New Mexico - Bob Davie

Overall: .46-51 (9th season)  
 School: .11-26 (4th season)

### San Diego State - Rocky Long

Overall: .97-89 (16th season)  
 School: .32-20 (5th season)

### San José State - Ron Caragher

Overall: .53-37 (9th season)  
 School: .9-15 (3rd season)

### UNLV - Tony Sanchez

Overall: .0-0 (1st season)  
 School: .0-0 (1st season)

### Utah State - Matt Wells

Overall: .19-9 (3rd season)  
 School: .19-9 (3rd season)

### Wyoming - Craig Bohl

Overall: .108-40 (13th season)  
 School: 4-8 (2nd season)

## 2015 ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Team	REGULAR SEASON HOME			
	G	Total	Avg.	High
Air Force	-	-	-	-
Boise State	-	-	-	-
Colorado State	-	-	-	-
Fresno State	-	-	-	-
Hawai'i	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
San Diego State	-	-	-	-
San José State	-	-	-	-
UNLV	-	-	-	-
Utah State	-	-	-	-
Wyoming	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-

Team	REGULAR SEASON ROAD/NEUTRAL SITES			
	G	Total	Avg.	High
Air Force	-	-	-	-
Boise State	-	-	-	-
Colorado State	-	-	-	-
Fresno State	-	-	-	-
Hawai'i	-	-	-	-
Nevada	-	-	-	-
New Mexico	-	-	-	-
San Diego State	-	-	-	-
San José State	-	-	-	-
UNLV	-	-	-	-
Utah State	-	-	-	-
Wyoming	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	-



**A LOOK AT THE 2015 MOUNTAIN WEST SCHEDULE**

The 2015 Mountain West football schedule is comprised of 97 games, including 48 Conference matchups. The scheduling format for the 12-member football lineup consists of five intra-divisional games and three cross-divisional contests. Each institution will play four home and four road Conference games. This is the third year of the initial four-year cycle in which each member institution will play every other Mountain West opponent home and away. In 2015, the cross-divisional opponents will flip from the first two years, with teams playing their new opponents from the other division.

The 2015 schedule will play out over 14 weeks, concluding on Sat., Dec. 5 with the Mountain West Football Championship Game to be played at the home stadium of the highest-ranked of the two divisional champions.

The non-conference slate features 22 games against teams that earned bowl berths in 2014, including Arizona, Arizona State, Auburn, BYU (4 games), Minnesota, Mississippi, Michigan State, Navy, Northern Illinois, Ohio State, Penn State, South Alabama, Texas A&M, UCLA, Utah (2 games), Washington (2 games) and Wisconsin. Nine non-conference opponents finished ranked in last year's final USA Today/Coaches' and Associated Press Top 25 polls, including national champion Ohio State, #5 Michigan State, #10 UCLA, #13 Wisconsin, #14/12 Arizona State, #17/19 Arizona, #19/17 Ole Miss, #20/21 Utah and #23/22 Auburn.

Below is a full breakdown of the Mountain West's 2015 non-conference opponents:

<b>ACC:</b>	Virginia
<b>American:</b>	Tulsa
<b>Big Ten:</b>	Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Ohio State, Penn State, Wisconsin
<b>C-USA:</b>	UTSA
<b>MAC:</b>	Buffalo, Eastern Michigan, Northern Illinois
<b>Pac-12:</b>	Arizona, Arizona State, California, Colorado (2), Oregon State, UCLA, Utah (2), Washington (2), Washington State
<b>SEC:</b>	Auburn, Mississippi, Texas A&M
<b>Sun Belt:</b>	Appalachian State, Louisiana-Monroe, South Alabama
<b>Independent:</b>	Army, BYU (4), Navy, New Mexico State
<b>FCS:</b>	Abilene Christian, Idaho State (2), Mississippi Valley State, Morgan State, New Hampshire, North Dakota, San Diego, Savannah State, Southern Utah, UC Davis (2)

**RETURNING STARTERS**

Heading into the 2015 season, Boise State, the defending Mountain West Champion, leads the league with 19 returning starters. Below is a breakdown of key returnees.

Team	Total	Off.	Def.	Spec.
Air Force	10	6	4	0
Boise State	19	9	8	2
Colorado State	17	7	8	2
Fresno State	14	6	5	3
Hawai'i	16	8	6	2
Nevada	15	6	5	4
New Mexico	17	7	7	3
San Diego State	18	6	8	4
San José State	16	8	6	2
UNLV	12	5	5	2
Utah State	17	8	7	2
Wyoming	10	5	4	1

**MW TEAMS IN SEASON OPENERS**

Mountain West teams are 71-61 in season openers since the inception of the league in 1999. MW teams are 52-19 at home and 13-33 on the road. Below is an all-time breakdown of the Mountain West in season openers.

Team	Overall	Home	Road	Neutral
Air Force	12-4	12-2	0-1	0-1
Boise State^	1-3	0-0	0-2	1-1
Colorado State	8-8	1-0	3-2	4-6
Fresno State~	2-1	2-0	0-1	0-0
Hawai'i~	0-3	0-2	0-1	0-0
Nevada~	2-1	1-0	1-1	0-0
New Mexico	4-12	4-6	0-6	0-0
San Diego State	6-10	6-6	0-4	0-0
San José State+	2-0	2-0	0-0	0-0
UNLV	6-10	4-3	2-7	0-0
Utah State+	0-2	0-0	0-2	0-0
Wyoming	10-6	10-0	0-5	0-1
BYU#	9-3	8-1	0-1	1-1
TCU*	6-1	1-0	4-1	1-0
Utah#	9-3	6-1	3-2	0-0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>77-67</b>	<b>57-21</b>	<b>13-36</b>	<b>7-10</b>

^Boise State became a member of the MW in July 2011.  
 ~Fresno State, Hawai'i and Nevada became members of the MW in July 2012.  
 +San José State and Utah State became members of the MW in July 2013.  
 \*TCU: MW member from 2005-2011.  
 #BYU and Utah: MW members from 1999-2010.



The Mountain West Network, powered by Campus Insiders, will exclusively broadcast seven games during the 2015 football season. Fresno State's season and home opener against FCS opponent Abilene Christian on Thursday, Sept. 3, kicks off the series of contests that will be broadcast live on the MWN and CampusInsiders.com. This is the second consecutive year with seven live football games streamed exclusively by the Mountain West Network and Campus Insiders since the inception of the partnership.

Date	Game	Time
Thurs., Sept. 3	Abilene Christian at Fresno State	7 p.m. PT
Sat., Sept. 5	San Diego at San Diego State	5 p.m. PT
Sat., Sept. 19	South Alabama at San Diego State	5 p.m. PT
Sat., Oct. 3	UNLV at Nevada*	4 p.m. PT
Sat., Oct. 10	New Mexico at Nevada*	4 p.m. PT
Sat., Oct. 10	San José State at UNLV*	6 p.m. PT
Sat., Nov. 14	San José State at Nevada*	1 p.m. PT

\* Mountain West game  
 All dates and times are local to site and are subject to change.

Additionally, the Mountain West Network powered by Campus Insiders will simulcast all local and regional telecasts online, including ROOT SPORTS-produced football games in markets outside of the ROOT SPORTS footprint and Oceanic TWC outside of the state of Hawaii. See the 2015 Mountain West Composite Football Schedule for more broadcast information.



**MW FOOTBALL ON SIRIUS/XM SATELLITE RADIO**

The following games will be available on SIRIUS/XM Satellite radio this week:

Date	Game	Time	SIRIUS/XM
Thur., Sept. 3	Colorado at Hawai'i . . . . .	7 p.m. HT . . . . .	SIRIUS 84/ XM 84
Fri., Sept. 4	Washington at 24/23 Boise St. . . . .	8:15 p.m. MT. . . . .	SIRIUS 84/ XM 84



2015 PRESEASON ALL-MOUNTAIN WEST FOOTBALL TEAM

OFFENSE			
Pos.	Name	Cl.	School
QB	Chuckie Keeton	Sr.	Utah State
WR	Rashard Higgins*	Jr.	Colorado State
WR	Devonte Boyd**	So.	UNLV
RB	Donnel Pumphrey*	Jr.	San Diego State
RB	Marteze Waller**	Sr.	Fresno State
OL	Marcus Henry*	Sr.	Boise State
OL	Rees Odhiambo**	Sr.	Boise State
OL	Alex Fifita	Sr.	Fresno State
OL	Ben Clarke	Sr.	Hawai'i
OL	Pearce Slater	Sr.	San Diego State
TE	Steven Walker*	Sr.	Colorado State

DEFENSE			
Pos.	Name	Cl.	School
DL	Alex Hansen**	Sr.	Air Force
DL	Kamalei Correa*	Jr.	Boise State
DL	Ian Seau**	Sr.	Nevada
DL	Eddie Yarbrough*	Sr.	Wyoming
LB	Tanner Vallejo**	Jr.	Boise State
LB	Kyler Fackrell	Sr.	Utah State
LB	Nick Vigil*	Jr.	Utah State
DB	Weston Steelhammer*	Jr.	Air Force
DB	Donte Deayon**	Sr.	Boise State
DB	Darian Thompson*	Sr.	Boise State
DB	Damontae Kazee**	Jr.	San Diego State

SPECIALISTS			
Pos.	Name	Cl.	School
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PK	Donny Hageman	Sr.	San Diego State
Ret.	Carlos Wiggins	Sr.	New Mexico

Preseason Offensive Player of the Year: Rashard Higgins, Jr., WR, Colorado State  
 Preseason Defensive Player of the Year: Kyler Fackrell, Sr., LB, Utah State  
 Preseason Special Teams Player of the Year: Donny Hageman, Sr., PK, San Diego State  
 \* - member of the 2014 All-Mountain West first team.  
 \*\* - member of the 2014 All-Mountain West second team.

TWO NEW HEAD COACHES JOIN MW RANKS IN 2015

For the second consecutive year, the Mountain West welcomes two new head football coaches. Colorado State will be under the direction of **Mike Bobo**, while **Tony Sanchez** takes over at UNLV. Both are first-year head coaches.

Bobo comes to Colorado State from the University of Georgia, where he had spent the previous 14 seasons, including the last eight as offensive coordinator. Bobo's 14-year stint at Georgia, where he was a quarterback in the late 1990s, began in January, 2001, when head coach Mark Richt hired him as quarterbacks coach. He was promoted to offensive coordinator in 2007. During his time at UGA, Bobo helped lead the Bulldogs to 135 victories, including two Southeastern Conference championships, five SEC Eastern Division titles and eight bowl victories. Prior to his time with the Bulldogs, Bobo began his coaching career at Jacksonville State (1999-2000).

Sanchez spent the last six seasons leading Bishop Gorman (Las Vegas) High School on an overall record of 85-5 and six consecutive state 4A championships. In his six seasons at Bishop Gorman, Sanchez saw 34 of his players earn collegiate football scholarships, including 25 to FBS programs. Prior to his stint in Las Vegas, he coached at Ocate High School in Las Cruces, N.M. and Irvin High School in El Paso, Texas. His lone collegiate coaching experience came in 1996 as he was an undergraduate assistant at New Mexico State, the school where Sanchez was a two-year letterwinner.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH

The Mountain West is home to five of the 13 youngest head coaches at the FBS level. Boise State's **Bryan Harsin** (38), Nevada's **Brian Polian** (40), Colorado State's **Mike Bobo** (41), UNLV's **Tony Sanchez** (41) and Utah State's **Matt Wells** (41) are among the group of 13 coaches who were born in 1973 or later.

FIRST-YEAR HEAD COACHES IN THE MOUNTAIN WEST

The Mountain West has welcomed 24 new head coaches over the last 16 seasons. Former BYU head coach Gary Crowton and current Boise State head coach **Bryan Harsin** have posted the most victories and highest win percentage among the group with 12 victories and an .857 win percentage in their inaugural years in 2001 and 2014, respectively. Harsin became the first to conclude his inaugural season by winning the Mountain West Championship Game, the first of two outright MW Championships in program history. Harsin is the only alumnus to lead the Broncos as head coach in the history of Boise State. Harsin is one of three first-year coaches to win at least 10 games in their inaugural season, joining Crowton (12 wins, 2001) and Urban Meyer (10 wins, 2003).

Year	Name, Team	Record	Pct.	Bowl Game
2014	Bryan Harsin, Boise State	12-2	.857	Fiesta
2001	Gary Crowton, BYU	12-2	.857	Liberty
2003	Urban Meyer, Utah	10-2	.830	Liberty
2012	Tim DeRuyter, Fresno State	9-3	.750	Hawai'i
2007	Troy Calhoun, Air Force	9-4	.692	Armed Forces
2013	Matt Wells, Utah State	9-5	.643	Poinsettia
2005	Kyle Whittingham, Utah	7-5	.583	Emerald
2009	Dave Christensen, Wyoming	7-6	.539	New Mexico
2008	Steve Fairchild, Colorado State	7-6	.539	New Mexico
2005	Bronco Mendenhall, BYU	6-6	.500	Las Vegas
2013	Ron Caragher, San José State	6-6	.500	-
2014	Craig Bohl, Wyoming	4-8	.333	-
2013	Brian Polian, Nevada	4-8	.333	-
2012	Jim McElwain, Colorado State	4-8	.333	-
2009	Brady Hoke, San Diego State	4-8	.333	-
2003	Joe Glenn, Wyoming	4-8	.333	-
2002	Tom Craft, San Diego State	4-9	.310	-
1999	John Robinson, UNLV	3-8	.270	-
2012	Norm Chow, Hawai'i	3-9	.250	-
2006	Chuck Long, San Diego State	3-9	.250	-
2005	Mike Sanford, UNLV	2-9	.182	-
2010	Bobby Hauck, UNLV	2-11	.154	-
2000	Vic Koenning, Wyoming	1-10	.090	-
2009	Michael Locksley, New Mexico	1-11	.083	-

MOUNTAIN WEST IN THE POSTSEASON

The Mountain West sent a record seven teams into postseason bowl games in 2014, posting a 3-4 record (.429). Overall, the Mountain West has earned 69 bowl bids since 1999 and holds a 38-31 (.551) all-time record. The league has also posted an overall postseason mark of at least .500 in eight of the last 11 seasons.

The 2014 postseason marked the eighth straight year the MW has sent at least five teams to bowls and 11th since the league's inception in 1999. It also marked the second straight year that six or more MW squads advanced to the postseason.

Over the last 11 seasons, the Mountain West has captured the Bowl Challenge Cup four times and owns the second-best win percentage in bowl games among the 10 FBS conferences with a 31-23 mark (.574) during that span. The MW is the only conference to win the trophy four times since the award's inception in 2002-03.

Conference	Bowl Record (since 2004)	Pct.
SEC	61-33	.649
<b>MOUNTAIN WEST</b>	<b>31-23</b>	<b>.574</b>
Pac-12	38-29	.567
Big East/American	30-24	.556
Conference USA	31-29	.517
Big 12	42-41	.506
Sun Belt	12-13	.480
ACC	40-52	.435
Big Ten	34-51	.400
MAC	16-34	.320

For the second consecutive year, the Mountain West had seven bowl-eligible teams - Boise State (12-2), Colorado State (10-3), Air Force (10-3), Utah State (10-4), Nevada (7-6), San Diego State (7-6) and Fresno State (6-8). This ties the conference record for most bowl-eligible teams. The MW has boasted at least five bowl-eligible teams 11 times since the league's inception in 1999.



**TOP RETURNING MOUNTAIN WEST STATISTICAL LEADERS**

(NCAA RANKINGS IN PARENTHESES)

**RUSHING**

Name, Team	G	Att	Yards	Avg	TD	Yds/ Game
PUMPHREY, Donnel, SDSU (4)	13	276	1,867	6.8	20	143.6
OWENS, Jacobi, AFA (27)	10	204	1,054	5.2	5	105.4
WALLER, Marteze, FS (33)	14	225	1,368	6.1	11	97.7

**PASSING YARDS**

Name, Team	G	Att	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	TD
DECKER, Blake, UNLV (41)	13	401	231	18	57.6	2,886	15
WOOLSEY, Ikaika, Hawai'i (61)	13	416	210	13	50.5	2,538	13
GRAY, Joe, SJSU (71)	11	330	210	9	63.6	2,305	11

**PASS EFFICIENCY**

Name, Team	G	Att	Comp	Int	Pct	Yards	PE
GRAY, Joe, SJSU (60)	11	330	210	9	63.6	2,305	127.9
DECKER, Blake, UNLV (72)	13	401	231	18	57.6	2,886	121.4
WOOLSEY, Ikaika, Hawai'i	13	416	210	13	50.5	2,538	105.8

**TOTAL OFFENSE**

Name, Team	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Total	Yds/ Game
DECKER, Blake, UNLV (44)	13	366	2,886	548	3,252	250.2
GRAY, Joe, SJSU (69)	11	99	2,305	388	2,404	218.5
WOOLSEY, Ikaika, Hawai'i (77)	13	203	2,538	526	2,741	210.8

**RECEPTIONS PER GAME**

Name, Team	G	Rec	Yards	TD	Rec/ Game
HIGGINS, Rashard, CSU (8)	12	96	1,750	17	8.0
WINSTON, Tyler, SJSU (21)	12	78	694	5	6.5
BOYD, Devonte, UNLV (60)	13	65	980	4	5.0

**RECEIVING YARDS PER GAME**

Name, Team	G	Rec	Yards	TD	Yds/ Game
HIGGINS, Rashard, CSU (1)	12	96	1,750	17	145.8
BOYD, Devonte, UNLV (45)	13	65	980	4	75.4
SHARP, Hunter, USU (66)	14	66	939	7	67.1

**TACKLES PER GAME**

Name, Team	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Total	Avg	Sacks
COX, Dakota, UNM (1)	9	LB	39	77	116	12.9	0.0
TAGO, Christian, SJSU (26)	10	LB	61	35	96	9.6	0.0
VIGIL, Nick, USU (29)	13	LB	61	62	123	9.5	7.0
LOTULELEI, Tau, UNLV	13	LB	45	55	100	7.7	3.0
VEA, Peni, UNLV	12	DB	56	32	88	7.3	3.5

**MOUNTAIN VS. WEST**

With Boise State's 28-14 victory over Fresno State in the 2014 Sports Authority MW Football Championship Game, the Mountain Division ended the regular season with a 14-5 (.737) advantage over the West. The Mountain Division holds an all-time record of 21-17 (.553) against opponents from the West Division since divisional play was established in the Mountain West in 2013.

**MOUNTAIN DIVISION**

2014 Record vs. West: 14-5 (.737)  
 At Home: 7-3 (.700)  
 On Road: 7-2 (.778)  
 2013 Record vs. West: 7-12 (.368)  
 At Home: 4-5 (.444)  
 On Road: 3-7 (.300)  
 All-Time vs. West: 21-17 (.553)  
 At Home: 11-8 (.579)  
 On Road: 10-9 (.526)  
 Teams with 8+ wins in 2014: 4  
 Teams with 8+ wins in 2013: 3  
 MW Championship Game Record: 1-1  
 2014 Bowl Appearances: 4  
 2014 Bowl Record: 3-1  
 2013 Bowl Appearances: 3  
 2013 Bowl Record: 2-1

**WEST DIVISION**

2014 Record vs. Mountain: 5-14 (.263)  
 At Home: 2-7 (.222)  
 On Road: 3-7 (.300)  
 2013 Record vs. Mountain: 12-7 (.632)  
 At Home: 7-3 (.700)  
 On Road: 5-4 (.556)  
 All-Time vs. Mountain: 17-21 (.447)  
 At Home: 9-10 (.474)  
 On Road: 8-11 (.421)  
 Teams with 8+ wins in 2014: 0  
 Teams with 8+ wins in 2013: 2  
 MW Championship Game Record: 1-1  
 2014 Bowl Appearances: 3  
 2014 Bowl Record: 0-3  
 2013 Bowl Appearances: 3  
 2013 Bowl Record: 1-2

**#HIGHLIGHTS**

(NOTES FROM AROUND THE MOUNTAIN WEST IN 140 CHARACTERS OR LESS)

- Nine first-team All-Mountain West honorees return in 2015, including four on the offensive side of the ball and five on defense.
- The @MountainWest was one of three conferences with four 10-win teams in 2014, joining the Pac-12 and SEC.
- Four MW teams posted undefeated home records in 2014 (AFA, BSU, CSU & USU), and all four schools have home winning streaks of at least six games.
- @BroncoSportsFB enters the year riding a nine-game win streak, the second-longest win streak nationally behind Ohio State (13).
- @BroncoSportsFB is coming off their 13th consecutive bowl appearance, an active streak that ties for seventh nationally.
- Boise State boasts the highest win percentage since 2000, having won 167 of 195 contests for a mark of .856.
- In 2015, @USUFootball will play nine opponents that played in bowl games in 2014. This is tied for the fifth-most nationally.
- A @CSUFootball victory on Saturday over Savannah State would tie the CSU record for consecutive home wins (9 from 10/8/27 to 10/4/29).
- @HawaiiFootball will play 13 consecutive weeks without a bye, a number which leads the nation along with Colorado.
- @NevadaFootball enters the season with 13 seniors, tied for 9th fewest nationally, & only 1 at an offensive skill spot, 2nd-fewest in FBS.
- @USUFootball is 1 of 4 FBS teams to win 30+ games and record three bowl victories in the last 3 years (Clemson, Michigan State & Oregon).
- @CSUFootball's **Rashard Higgins** has caught at least one pass in 26 consecutive games, a streak which is T-7th in FBS & the most in the MW.
- **Higgins** has registered 100 receiving yds in 8 consecutive games, a streak which ranks 2nd in MW history behind BYU's Austin Collie (11-'08).
- The @MountainWest returns the nation's No. 1 WR in **Higgins** (145.8 yds/gm) and No. 2 RB in @GoAztecs **Donnel Pumphrey** (143.6 yds/gm).
- Dating back to 11/8/14, **Pumphrey** has recorded 4 consecutive games with at least 100 rushing yards, 3 games off the @MountainWest record.
- @BroncoSportsFB's **Darian Thompson** has 14 career interceptions, four away from tying the @MountainWest record held by Utah's Eric Weddle.
- @BroncoSportsFB **Thompson** (14) & teammate **Donte Deayon** (13) rank T-2nd and 4th nationally in active career interceptions, respectively.
- @NewMexicoFB linebacker **Dakota Cox** returns for his junior season after leading the country with 12.9 tackles per game (116) as a sophomore.
- In 2014, @UNLVFootball receiver **Devonte Boyd** led all freshmen nationally with 980 receiving yards in the regular season.
- On Sept. 3, **Chuckie Keeton** will become only the 2nd FBS quarterback to ever start five season openers, joining Tulsa's T.J. Rubley (87-91).
- Senior @CSUFootball linebacker **Cory James** has 22 career sacks, only 6.5 away from tying the MW record, which was set in 2009.
- @UNMFootball's **Carlos Wiggins** is the nation's active leader in kick return average at 28.0. The Lobos senior has returned 4 kicks for a TD.
- For the 9th time in the last 10 years a MW team is ranked in both preseason polls (Boise State - 23 in AP & 24 in Coaches).



**BOISE STATE IS WINNINGEST TEAM IN FBS SINCE 2002**

Boise State has amassed 148 wins since the start of the 2002 season, making the Broncos the winningest team at the FBS level during that time. Below is a breakdown of the top five leaders nationally:

**MOST WINS SINCE 2002**

Rk.	Team	Wins
1.	Boise State	148
2.	Oklahoma	136
3.	USC	134
4.	LSU	133
5.	TCU	125

**BEST HOME RECORD SINCE 2003**

Rk.	Team	W-L	Pct.
1.	Boise State	72-3	.960
2.	Oklahoma	66-7	.904
3.	Ohio State	77-8	.906
4.	LSU	76-10	.884
5.	USC	61-11	.847
6.	TCU	60-12	.833

**BEST ROAD/NEUTRAL WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2003**

Rk.	Team	W-L	Pct.
1.	USC	62-18	.775
2.	Boise State	60-19	.759
3.	Texas	58-22	.725
4.	TCU	56-23	.709
5.	LSU	50-22	.694

**OVERTIME GAMES**

Below is a look at MW records in overtime since it was established in the FBS in 1996:

Team	2014	Total	Last Overtime Game
Air Force	1-0	7-5	Nov. 15, 2014 (Def. Nevada, 45-38)
^Boise State	0-0	4-3	Nov. 23, 2013 (Lost at San Diego State, 31-34)
Colorado State	0-0	1-2	Sept. 24, 2011 (Def. Utah State, 35-34)
*Fresno State	0-1	7-9	Oct. 10, 2014 (Lost at UNLV, 27-30)
*Hawai'i	0-0	7-4	Nov. 23, 2013 (Lost to Wyoming, 56-59)
*Nevada	0-1	4-6	Nov. 15, 2014 (Lost at Air Force, 38-45)
New Mexico	0-0	4-5	Sept. 7, 2013 (Def. UTEP, 42-35)
San Diego State	0-0	7-2	Nov. 23, 2013 (Def. Boise State, 34-31)
+San José State	1-0	2-5	Oct. 18, 2014 (Def. Wyoming, 27-20)
UNLV	1-0	4-8	Oct. 10, 2014 (Def. 30-27, Fresno State)
+Utah State	0-1	6-5	Sept. 20, 2014 (Lost at Arkansas State, 14-21)
Wyoming	0-1	6-6	Oct. 18, 2014 (Lost to San José State, 20-27)

**AHEAD OF THE CLASS**

Team	MW Record		Overall Record		Bowls
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.	
^Boise State	25-5	.833	42-10	.808	4
+Utah State	12-3	.800	19-9	.679	2
*Fresno State	18-5	.782	25-14	.642	3
Air Force	60-60	.500	108-88	.551	8
Colorado State	57-63	.475	96-101	.487	9
San Diego State	57-63	.475	83-110	.430	5
+San José State	7-8	.467	9-14	.391	-
*Nevada	11-13	.458	18-18	.500	2
New Mexico	47-73	.392	76-118	.392	5
Wyoming	37-83	.308	72-117	.381	3
UNLV	33-87	.275	58-134	.302	2
*Hawai'i	3-20	.130	7-29	.194	-

**CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT BEING SHUT OUT**

Rk.	Team	Games	Last Time Shut Out
1.	Air Force	271	Dec. 31, 1992 (Mississippi, 0-13)
2.	Boise State	225	Sept. 27, 1997 (Washington State, 0-58)
3.	San Diego State	103	Nov. 18, 2006 (TCU, 0-52)
4.	Utah State	92	Nov. 10, 2007 (Boise State, 0-52)
5.	Nevada	77	Sept. 5, 2009 (Notre Dame, 0-35)
6.	Fresno State	56	Nov. 19, 2010 (Boise State, 0-51)
7.	Wyoming	55	Oct. 9, 2010 (TCU, 0-45)
8.	UNLV	46	Oct. 8, 2011 (Nevada, 0-37)
9.	New Mexico	35	Sept. 8, 2012 (Texas, 0-45)
10.	Hawai'i	33	Sept. 28, 2012 (BYU, 0-47)
11.	Colorado State	15	Nov. 23, 2013 (Utah State, 0-13)
12.	San José State	2	Nov. 15, 2014 (Hawai'i, 0-13)

**TEAM SHUTOUTS (SINCE MW INCEPTION IN 1999)**

Rk.	Team	Games	Last Time
1.	^Boise State	11	Dec. 3, 2011 (New Mexico, 45-0)
2.	Air Force	6	Oct. 29, 2011 (New Mexico, 42-0)
3.	New Mexico	5	Oct. 4, 2008 (Wyoming, 24-0)
4.	*Fresno State	4	Sept. 5, 2009 (UC Davis, 51-0)
	San Diego State	4	Sept. 4, 2010 (Nicholls State, 47-0)
6.	*Hawai'i	3	Nov. 15, 2014 (San José State, 13-0)
	*Nevada	3	Oct. 8, 2011 (UNLV, 37-0)
	+San José State	3	Aug. 29, 2013 (Sacramento State, 24-0)
	Wyoming	3	Nov. 20, 2010 (Colorado State, 44-0)
10.	UNLV	2	Sept. 22, 2007 (Utah, 27-0)
	+Utah State	2	Nov. 23, 2013 (Colorado State, 13-0)
12.	Colorado State	0	Oct. 4, 1997 (Hawai'i, 63-0)

**NCAA CONSECUTIVE SCORING STREAK RECORDS**

Rk.	Team	Streak	Dates	By Team
1.	Michigan	365	10/27/1984 - 9/6/2014	Notre Dame
2.	BYU	361	9/27/1975 - 11/15/2003	Utah
3.	Florida	334	11/05/1988 - present	
4.	Texas	282	11/29/1980 - 10/02/2004	Oklahoma
5.	Washington State	280	10/22/1984 - 10/18/2008	USC
6.	TCU	275	11/23/1991 - present	
7.	Washington	272	11/14/1981 - 10/16/2004	USC
8.	Air Force	271	8/04/1993 - present	
9.	Oregon	267	10/05/1985 - 11/15/2007	UCLA
10.	Tennessee	259	-	-
11.	UCLA	245	10/02/1971 - 10/17/1992	Arizona State
12.	Colorado	242	11/19/1988 - 10/25/2008	Missouri
13.	Nebraska	233	1/01/1974 - 11/29/1991	Miami (Fla.)
14.	Florida State	232	9/10/1988 - 11/11/2006	Wake Forest
15.	Boise State	225	9/27/1997 - present	

^Boise State became a member of the MW in July 2011.

\*Fresno State and Nevada became members of the MW in July 2012, while Hawai'i joined as a football-only member.

+San José State and Utah State became members of the MW in July 2013.



2015 NATIONAL AWARDS WATCH LIST CANDIDATES (AS OF AUG. 18)

**AIR FORCE**

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Jalen Robinette, Jr., Wide Receiver

**JIM THORPE AWARD (top defensive back)**

Weston Steelhammer, Jr., Defensive Back

**LOTT IMPACT TROPHY (integrity, maturity, performance, academic, community, tenacity)**

Weston Steelhammer, Jr., Defensive Back

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Alex Hansen, Sr., Defensive Line

**BOISE STATE**

**ATHLON PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

**Fourth Team**

Darian Thompson, Sr., Defensive Back

**BEDNARIK AWARD (defensive player of the year)**

Kamalei Correa, Jr., Defensive Line

Darian Thompson, Sr., Defensive Back

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Thomas Sperbeck, Jr., Wide Receiver

**BRONCO NAGURSKI TROPHY (outstanding defensive player)**

Kamalei Correa, Jr., Defensive Line

Darian Thompson, Sr., Defensive Back

**EARL CAMPBELL TYLER ROSE AWARD**

Shane Williams-Rhodes, Sr., Wide Receiver

**JIM THORPE AWARD (top defensive back)**

Donte Deayon, Sr., Defensive Back

Darian Thompson, Sr., Defensive Back

**OUTLAND TROPHY (top interior lineman)**

Marcus Henry, Sr., Offensive Line

Rees Odhiambo, Sr., Offensive Line

**PAUL HORNUNG AWARD (most versatile player)**

Shane Williams-Rhodes, Sr., Wide Receiver/Kick Return

**RIMINGTON TROPHY (top center)**

Marcus Henry, Sr., Offensive Line

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Kamalei Correa, Jr., Defensive Line

Marcus Henry, Sr., Offensive Line

Rees Odhiambo, Sr., Offensive Line

Tanner Vallejo, Jr., Linebacker

**WALTER CAMP AWARD (player of the year)**

Darian Thompson, Sr., Defensive Back

**COLORADO STATE**

**ATHLON PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

**Third Team**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., Wide Receiver

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., Wide Receiver

**BUTKUS AWARD (top linebacker)**

Cory James, Sr., Linebacker

**CBS SPORTS 2015 PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., WR, Wide Receiver

**EARL CAMPBELL TYLER ROSE AWARD**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., WR, Wide Receiver

**JIM THORPE AWARD (top defensive back)**

Trent Matthews, Sr., Defensive Back

**JOHN MACKEY AWARD (top tight end)**

Kivon Cartwright, Sr., Tight End

Steven Walker, Sr., Tight End

**MAXWELL AWARD (player of the year)**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., WR, Wide Receiver

**PHIL STEELE PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

**First Team**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., Wide Receiver

**RAY GUY AWARD (top punter)**

Hayden Hunt, Jr., Punter

**SPORTING NEWS PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

**First Team**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., Wide Receiver

**WALTER CAMP AWARD (player of the year)**

Rashard Higgins, Jr., Wide Receiver

**FRESNO STATE**

**DOAK WALKER AWARD (top running back)**

Marteze Waller, Sr., Running Back

**RIMINGTON TROPHY (top center)**

Bo Bonenheim, Sr., Offensive Line

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Alex Fifita, Sr., Offensive Line

**HAWAII**

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Marcus Kemp, Jr., Wide Receiver

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Ben Clarke, Sr., Offensive Line

**NEVADA**

**DOAK WALKER AWARD (top running back)**

Don Jackson, Sr., Running Back

**JOHN MACKEY AWARD (top tight end)**

Jarred Gipson, Jr., Tight End

**OUTLAND TROPHY (top interior lineman)**

Austin Corbett, So., Offensive Line

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Ian Seau, Sr., Defensive End

**SAN DIEGO STATE**

**DOAK WALKER AWARD (top running back)**

Donnel Pumphrey, So., Running Back

**JIM THORPE AWARD (top defensive back)**

Damontae Kazee, So., Defensive Back

J.J. Whittaker, Sr., Defensive Back

**LOTT IMPACT TROPHY (integrity, maturity, performance, academic, community, tenacity)**

Calvin Munson, Jr., Linebacker

**LOU GROZA AWARD (top placekicker)**

Donny Hageman, Sr., Kicker

**MAXWELL AWARD (player of the year)**

Donnel Pumphrey, So., Running Back

**PHIL STEELE PRESEASON ALL-AMERICANS**

**Fourth Team**

Jeff Overbaugh, Jr., Long Snapper

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Alex Barrett, Jr., Defensive Line

Darrell Greene, Sr., Offensive Line

Pearce Slater, Sr., Offensive Line

**SAN JOSÉ STATE**

**JOHN MACKEY AWARD (top tight end)**

Billy Freeman, Jr., Tight End

**PAUL HORNUNG AWARD (most versatile player)**

Tyler Ervin, Sr., Running Back/Kick Return

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Christian Tago, Jr., Linebacker

**UTAH STATE**

**BEDNARIK AWARD (defensive player of the year)**

Kyler Fackrell, Sr., Linebacker

Nick Vigil, Jr., Linebacker

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Hunter Sharp, Sr., Wide Receiver

**BUTKUS AWARD (top linebacker)**

Kyler Fackrell, Sr., Linebacker

**BRONCO NAGURSKI TROPHY (outstanding defensive player)**

Kyler Fackrell, Sr., Linebacker

**DAVEY O'BRIEN AWARD (top quarterback)**

Chuckie Keeton, Sr., Quarterback

**DOAK WALKER AWARD (top running back)**

LaJuan Hunt, So., Running Back

**EARL CAMPBELL TYLER ROSE AWARD**

Chuckie Keeton, Sr., Quarterback

**JOHNNY UNITAS GOLDEN ARM AWARD (top quarterback)**

Chuckie Keeton, Sr., Quarterback

**MAXWELL AWARD (player of the year)**

Chuckie Keeton, Sr., Quarterback

**RIMINGTON TROPHY (top center)**

Austin Stephens, Jr., Offensive Line

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Kyler Fackrell, Sr., Linebacker

Nick Vigil, Jr., Linebacker

**UNLV**

**BILETNIKOFF AWARD (top wide receiver)**

Devonte Boyd, So., Wide Receiver

**JOHN MACKEY AWARD (top tight end)**

Jake Phillips, Sr., Tight End

**RAY GUY AWARD (top punter)**

Logan Yunker, Sr., Punter

**WYOMING**

**DOAK WALKER AWARD (top running back)**

Shaun Wick, Sr., Running Back

**ROTARY LOMBARDI AWARD (top down lineman)**

Eddie Yarbrough, Sr., Defensive End





### 2015 USA TODAY/COACHES' POLL (PRESEASON)

Rk	Team	Rec	Pts.	Pvs
1.	Ohio State (62)	0-0	1598	NR
2.	TCU (1)	0-0	1487	NR
3.	Alabama (1)	0-0	1452	NR
4.	Baylor	0-0	1365	NR
5.	Oregon	0-0	1260	NR
6.	Michigan State	0-0	1230	NR
7.	Auburn	0-0	1103	NR
8.	Florida State	0-0	1057	NR
9.	Georgia	0-0	1026	NR
10.	USC	0-0	1014	NR
11.	Notre Dame	0-0	883	NR
12.	Clemson	0-0	838	NR
13.	LSU	0-0	727	NR
14.	UCLA	0-0	697	NR
15.	Ole Miss	0-0	668	NR
16.	Arizona State	0-0	577	NR
17.	Georgia Tech	0-0	573	NR
18.	Wisconsin	0-0	470	NR
19.	Oklahoma	0-0	407	NR
20.	Arkansas	0-0	377	NR
21.	Stanford	0-0	365	NR
22.	Arizona	0-0	299	NR
23.	Missouri	0-0	229	NR
24.	<b>Boise State</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>NR</b>
25.	Tennessee	0-0	166	NR

MW teams receiving votes: Air Force - 5 (T-41st);  
Utah State - 4 (T-43rd).

### 2015 ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL (PRESEASON)

Rk	Team	Rec	Pts.	Pvs
1.	Ohio State (61)	0-0	1525	NR
2.	TCU	0-0	1428	NR
3.	Alabama	0-0	1322	NR
4.	Baylor	0-0	1263	NR
5.	Michigan State	0-0	1256	NR
6.	Auburn	0-0	1192	NR
7.	Oregon	0-0	1156	NR
8.	USC	0-0	1085	NR
9.	Georgia	0-0	991	NR
10.	Florida State	0-0	959	NR
11.	Notre Dame	0-0	873	NR
12.	Clemson	0-0	862	NR
13.	UCLA	0-0	698	NR
14.	LSU	0-0	675	NR
15.	Arizona State	0-0	605	NR
16.	Georgia Tech	0-0	588	NR
17.	Ole Miss	0-0	563	NR
18.	Arkansas	0-0	410	NR
19.	Oklahoma	0-0	394	NR
20.	Wisconsin	0-0	393	NR
21.	Stanford	0-0	347	NR
22.	Arizona	0-0	311	NR
23.	<b>Boise State</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>NR</b>
24.	Missouri	0-0	219	NR
25.	Tennessee	0-0	114	NR

MW teams receiving votes: N/A

### CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKINGS

Coming November 3, 2015...

### MOUNTAIN WEST IN THE ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

	AFA	BOISE	USU
Preseason	RV	24	RV

### MOUNTAIN WEST IN THE AMWAY COACHES' POLL

	BOISE
Preseason	23

### MOUNTAIN WEST IN THE CFP SELECTION COMMITTEE RANKINGS

Coming November 3, 2015...



## ANNUAL NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

(Includes Bowl Games)

Year	W	L	Pct.	Bowls
1999	22	13	.629	1-2
2000	18	20	.474	3-0
2001	20	18	.526	2-1
2002	18	27	.400	0-3
2003	24	18	.571	1-2
2004	18	17	.514	2-1
2005	15	17	.469	2-2
2006	19	21	.475	3-1
2007	24	17	.585	4-1
2008	28	13	.683	3-2
2009	25	16	.610	4-1
2010	21	21	.500	4-1
2011	24	21	.533	2-3
2012	19	28	.404	1-4
2013	23	31	.426	3-3
2014	30	28	.529	3-4
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>.516</b>	<b>38-31</b>

## COMPOSITE NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

(Includes Bowl Games)

Team	W	L	Pct.
Air Force	48	28	.632
^Boise State	16	5	.762
Colorado State	39	38	.506
*Fresno State	6	8	.429
*Hawai'i	4	9	.308
*Nevada	7	7	.500
New Mexico	29	45	.392
San Diego State	27	46	.370
+San José State	2	6	.250
UNLV	26	46	.361
+Utah State	6	5	.545
Wyoming	35	34	.507
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>.469</b>

## 2015 NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

(Includes Bowl Games)

Team	Top 25	FBS	Overall
Air Force	0-0	0-0	0-0
^Boise State	0-0	0-0	0-0
Colorado State	0-0	0-0	0-0
*Fresno State	0-0	0-0	0-0
*Hawai'i	0-0	0-0	0-0
*Nevada	0-0	0-0	0-0
New Mexico	0-0	0-0	0-0
San Diego State	0-0	0-0	0-0
+San José State	0-0	0-0	0-0
UNLV	0-0	0-0	0-0
+Utah State	0-0	0-0	0-0
Wyoming	0-0	0-0	0-0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>

^Boise State became a member of the MW in July 2011.

\*Fresno State, Hawai'i and Nevada became members of the MW in July 2012.

+San José State and Utah State became members of the MW in July 2013.

## 2015 MOUNTAIN WEST FOOTBALL NON-CONFERENCE RECORDS

Conference	2015		All-Time	
	W-L	Pct.	W-L	Pct.
ACC	0-0	.000	11-13	.458
Virginia				
American (formerly the Big East)	0-0	.000	8-8	.500
Tulsa				
Big Ten	0-0	.000	7-29	.194
Michigan				
Michigan State				
Minnesota				
Ohio State				
Penn State				
Wisconsin				
Big 12	0-0	.000	21-42	.333
Big West (No longer a FBS Conference)			10-5	.667
Conference USA	0-0	.000	31-25	.554
UTSA				
Independents	0-0	.000	41-33	.554
Army				
BYU				
Navy				
New Mexico State				
Mid-American	0-0	.000	13-10	.565
Buffalo				
Eastern Michigan				
Northern Illinois				
Pac-12	0-0	.000	40-78	.339
Arizona				
Arizona State				
California				
Colorado				
Oregon State				
UCLA				
Utah				
Washington				
Washington State				
SEC	0-0	.000	7-14	.333
Auburn				
Ole Miss				
Texas A&M				
Sun Belt	0-0	.000	18-7	.720
Appalachian State				
South Alabama				
ULM				
WAC (No longer a FBS Conference)	0-0	.000	61-53	.535
Division I FCS	0-0	.000	80-9	.899
Abilene Christian				
Idaho State				
Mississippi Valley State				
Morgan State				
New Hampshire				
North Dakota				
UC Davis				
San Diego				
Savannah State				
Southern Utah				
<b>Total</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>348-326</b>	<b>.516</b>

Records are based on conference alignments during season in which games were played.





**COLORADO BUFFALOES**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Pac-12

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	PAC 12	CU	FBS
Rush Offense	9th	154.6	75th
Pass Offense	5th	284.6	19th
Total Offense	8th	439.2	37th
Scoring Offense	10th	28.5	64th
Rush Defense	12th	204.8	102nd
Pass Eff. Def	10th	149.93	114th
Total Defense	11th	461.0	111th
Punting	3rd	39.5	25th
Punt Returns	10th	6.5	90th
Kickoff Returns	3rd	23.7	18th
Turnover Margin	11th	-0.83	112th
Pass Defense	5th	256.2	100th
Pass Efficiency	11th	128.54	66th

**THE GAME**

Thursday, September 3  
Aloha Stadium (50,000) • Honolulu, Hawaii  
7 p.m. HT • CBS Sports Network  
Carter Blackburn (PBP), Aaron Taylor (analyst), Jenny Dell (sideline)

**THE SERIES**

Series is tied 2-2  
Last meeting: 2014, Colorado 21-12 in Boulder, Colorado

**THE STORY**

Hawai'i begins its season with an opponent from an autonomous 5 conference for the 6th consecutive year. Both teams look to get back on track as Colorado has dropped eight-straight contests, while Hawai'i has lost five of its last seven games.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

COLORADO	CATEGORY	HAWAI'I
Lost 8	Current Streak	Lost 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
vs. Massachusetts	Next Week	at Ohio State

**HAWAI'I RAINBOW WARRIORS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	UH	FBS
Rush Offense	10th	149.5	83rd
Pass Offense	7th	214.9	79th
Total Offense	12th	364.4	98th
Scoring Offense	11th	20.9	108th
Rush Defense	5th	172.3	73rd
Pass Eff. Def	8th	136.64	97th
Total Defense	6th	418.2	82nd
Punting	1st	40.5	12th
Punt Returns	7th	8.8	47th
Kickoff Returns	10th	19.2	104th
Turnover Margin	10th	-0.54	105th
Pass Defense	8th	245.8	89th
Pass Efficiency	12th	103.88	119th

**COLORADO HEAD COACH MIKE MACINTYRE**

6-18 (3rd year) at Colorado  
22-39 (6th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Sefo Liufau (12 GP, 325-498-15, 65.3 pct., 3,200 yds., 28 TDs)  
Rusher: Christian Powell (10 GP, 85 att., 448 yds., 5.3 avg./rush, 4 TDs)  
Receiver: Nelson Spruce (12 GP, 106 rec., 1,198 yds., 11.3 avg./rec., 12 TDs)  
Tackler: Kenneth Olugbode (12 GP, 83 tackles, 2 FR, 3 PBU's)

**HAWAI'I HEAD COACH NORM CHOW**

8-29 (4th year) at Hawai'i  
8-29 (4th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Ikaika Woolsey (13 GP, 210-416-13, 50.5 pct., 2,538 yds., 13 TDs)  
Rusher: Steven Lakalaka (10 GP, 159 att., 646 yds., 4.1 avg./rush, 2 TDs)  
Receiver: Marcus Kemp (13 GP, 56 rec., 797 yds., 14.2 avg./rec., 3 TDs)  
Tackler: Trayvon Henderson (11 GP, 63 tackles, 3.0 TFL, 1.0 sack, 2 INTs)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- Hawai'i has dropped six consecutive contests against Power 5 opponents, with the last victory coming at home against Colorado (34-17) on Sept. 3, 2011.
- On a similar note, Hawai'i's last season-opening victory came on Sept. 3, 2011 against Colorado (34-17). The Rainbow Warriors have compiled a 3-7 record in their last 10 season-openers.
- Hawai'i and head coach **Norm Chow** enter the 2015 season with two new coordinators. UH is one of seven FBS schools to return its 2014 head coach but have two new coordinators. The Rainbow Warriors join Mountain West for Utah State on the list.
- Hawai'i QB **Max Wittek**, who sat out in 2014 after transferring from USC, has played in 13 career games. Wittek is no stranger to the Buffaloes, making two appearances against them in 2012 and '13. Wittek completed 3-of-5 passes for 55 yards and one touchdown in those contests.
- Colorado QB Sefo Liufau enters the 2015 season with 57 school records under his belt. Additionally, he has thrown at least one TD pass in all 20 career games, the longest active streak in the nation.
- Colorado is in the midst of an eight-game losing skid, the third-longest active losing streak nationally. The Buffs last victory came on Sept. 20, 2014 at home vs. the Rainbow Warriors (21-12).
- Hawai'i is one of two FBS teams to play 13 consecutive weeks without a bye, which leads the nation. Coincidentally, the other team joining Hawai'i atop the list is Colorado.
- Colorado has compiled a 3-35 true road record dating back to the start of the 2008 season. The Buffaloes road wins include, Utah on Nov. 25, 2011, Washington State on Sept. 22, 2012 and UMass on Sept. 6, 2014.
- Saturday's game features two wide receivers that were named to the Biletnikoff Award Preseason Watch List. Hawai'i's **Marcus Kemp**, a junior, has hauled in 67 receptions for 907 yards and three touchdowns, while Colorado's Nelson Spruce, a senior, has caught 205 passes for 2,294 yards and 19 touchdowns.
- Senior offensive lineman **Ben Clarke** became the second Rainbow Warrior to be earn preseason All-Mountain West honors since joining the league in 2012. Clarke has started 37 consecutive games for UH, and helped lead the Rainbow Warriors to 364.4 yards of total offense per contest in 2014.
- In 2014, Hawai'i led the Conference, and was 12th nationally, averaging 40.5 yards per punt, but the Rainbow Warriors will enter 2015 with a new punter after Scott Harding's graduation. Harding was more than a punter to the Rainbow Warriors, as he caught 34 passes for 457 yards and three touchdowns and returned 25 punts for an average of 8.8 yards per return.
- The Rainbow Warrior's last three games against teams from the Pac-12, all played in 2014, have been decided by fewer than 10 points. Washington won by one-point to open the season (17-16), Oregon State defeated UH by eight (38-30) and Colorado won by nine in Boulder (21-12).





**ABILENE CHRISTIAN WILDCATS**  
 0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Southland

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	SOUTH	ACU	FCS
Rush Offense	7th	162.7	--
Pass Offense	3rd	275.3	--
Total Offense	6th	438.0	--
Scoring Offense	7th	32.7	--
Rush Defense	3rd	148.1	--
Pass Eff. Def	6th	134.40	--
Total Defense	6th	408.8	--
Punting	9th	34.7	--
Punt Returns	3rd	12.3	--
Kickoff Returns	5th	20.2	--
Turnover Margin	2nd	0.75	--
Pass Defense	11th	273.2	--
Pass Efficiency	1st	155.30	--

**THE GAME**

Thursday, September 3  
 Bulldog Stadium (41,031) • Fresno, Calif.  
 7 p.m. PT • Mountain West Network-Campus Insiders  
 Ray Crawford (PBP), Sed Bonner (analyst)

**THE SERIES**

Series tied 2-2  
 Last meeting: 1963, Abilene Christian 32-29 in Fresno, California

**THE STORY**

Fresno State is 17-2 at home under head coach **Tim DeRuyter**. Abilene Christian is only in its third-year at the FCS level after competing at the Division II level since 1982.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

ABILENE CHRISTIAN	CATEGORY	FRESNO STATE
Won 1	Current Streak	Lost 2
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
vs. Houston Baptist	Next Week	at Ole Miss

**FRESNO STATE BULLDOGS**



0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Mountain West

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	USU	FBS
Rush Offense	6th	182.4	44th
Pass Offense	6th	223.7	77th
Total Offense	4th	406.1	59th
Scoring Offense	7th	26.5	82nd
Rush Defense	8th	201.9	98th
Pass Eff. Def	11th	156.18	118th
Total Defense	10th	456.0	108th
Punting	8th	37.5	66th
Punt Returns	4th	9.8	34th
Kickoff Returns	11th	18.9	111th
Turnover Margin	9th	-0.50	103rd
Pass Defense	10th	254.1	96th
Pass Efficiency	9th	113.70	101st

**ABILENE CHRISTIAN HEAD COACH KEN COLLUMS**

19-15 (4th year) at Abilene Christian  
 19-15 (4th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Parker McKenzie (11 GP, 236-365-9, 64.7 pct., 3,084 yds., 22 TDs)  
 Rusher: De'Andre Brown (10 GP, 137 att., 962 yds., 7.0 avg./rush, 9 TDs)  
 Receiver: Cedric Gilbert (12 GP, 38 rec., 667 yds., 12.0 avg./rec., 7 TDs)  
 Tackler: Sam Denmark (10 GP, 77 tackles, 4.0 TFL, 2.0 sacks, 2 INTs)

**FRESNO STATE HEAD COACH TIM DERUYTER**

26-14 (4th year) at Fresno State  
 26-14 (4th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Zack Greenlee (3 GP, 18-41-0, 43.9 pct., 213 yds., 1 TD)  
 Rusher: Marteze Waller (14 GP, 225 att., 1,368 yds., 6.1 avg./rush, 11 TDs)  
 Receiver: Delvon Hardaway (14 GP, 23 rec., 279 yds., 12.1 avg./rec., 2 TDs)  
 Tackler: Kyrie Wilson (14 GP, 90 tackles, 6.5 TFL, 1.0 sack, 2 INTs, 2 FF)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- Fresno State lost its leading returning wide receiver in **Aaron Peck** during fall camp due to injury. Peck, who will miss the 2015 season, hauled in 32 receptions for 419 yards and three touchdowns in 2014.
- Fresno State has won its last nine season openers that have been played at Bulldog Stadium.
- Fresno State running back **Marteze Waller** was named to the Mountain West's preseason All-Conference team. Waller is coming off a career-year in 2014, rushing for 1,368 yards on 225 carries and 11 TDs.
- Fresno State has won eight of its last 10 season openers, with the two losses coming against Pac-12 opponents in California (2011) and USC (2014).
- Bulldog offensive lineman **Justin Northern** is rated the sixth-smartest player in college football by NFL.com's Chase Goodbread. Northern, who is pursuing a mechanical engineering degree, enters his senior season with a 3.81 grade point average. He has twice been named to the Capital One Academic All-District 8 first-team and as a Mountain West Scholar-Athlete.
- 2015 marks the fourth year since Fresno State entered the Mountain West. In the first three seasons, the Bulldogs have had their share of success, sharing the league title in 2012, winning the outright championship in 2013 and sharing the West Division in 2014.
- The Bulldogs return 14 starters from the 2014 team - six on offense, five on defense and three on special teams - but overall Fresno State is a young team. In fall camp, 70 players were either freshmen or sophomores.
- Abilene Christian defeated its last FBS opponent it played, a Sept. 13, 2014 road contest at Troy University (38-35). It was the programs first victory over a FBS-level opponent in 55 years.
- The Wildcats had one of the strongest passing attacks in the Southland conference in 2014, averaging 275.3 yards through the air. With the return of QB Parker McKenzie, ACU should have a dangerous passing game once again. Fresno State allowed 254.1 passing yards per contest last season, a figure that ranked 10th in the Mountain West.





**UC DAVIS AGGIES**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Big Sky

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	BIG SKY	UCD	FCS
Rush Offense	9th	144.6	82nd
Pass Offense	8th	232.6	40th
Total Offense	11th	377.3	66th
Scoring Offense	8th	26.0	67th
Rush Defense	9th	199.7	92nd
Pass Eff. Def	13th	166.81	119th
Total Defense	11th	481.5	113th
Punting	7th	36.3	26th
Punt Returns	12th	4.4	111th
Kickoff Returns	8th	19.2	73rd
Turnover Margin	9th	-0.45	95th
Pass Defense	9th	281.8	115th
Pass Efficiency	6th	146.28	19th

**THE GAME**

Thursday, September 3  
Mackay Stadium (30,000) • Reno, Nev.  
7 p.m. PT • Mountain West Network-Institutional

**THE SERIES**

Nevada leads 29-21-3  
Last meeting: 2013, Nevada 36-7 in Reno, Nevada

**THE STORY**

Nevada QB **Tyler Stewart** will make his first start since 2013 as the Wolf Pack and UC Davis meet for only the second time since 1989. In 2014, the Aggies ranked 113th in FCS allowing 481.5 yards of total offense per game.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

UC DAVIS	CATEGORY	NEVADA
Lost 1	Current Streak	Lost 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
vs. South Dakota	Next Week	vs. Arizona

**NEVADA WOLF PACK**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	NEV	FBS
Rush Offense	5th	205.5	36th
Pass Offense	9th	192.2	96th
Total Offense	6th	397.6	68th
Scoring Offense	4th	29.2	61st
Rush Defense	6th	179.5	79th
Pass Eff. Def	7th	135.99	94th
Total Defense	9th	447.1	100th
Punting	7th	37.9	57th
Punt Returns	5th	9.1	42nd
Kickoff Returns	4th	21.6	52nd
Turnover Margin	1st	0.85	11th
Pass Defense	12th	267.6	109th
Pass Efficiency	7th	119.76	83rd

**UC DAVIS HEAD COACH RON GOULD**

7-16 (3rd year) at UC Davis  
7-16 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Ben Scott (7 GP, 140-218-7, 64.2 pct., 1,734 yds., 19 TDs)  
Rusher: Jermale Jefferson (11 GP, 17 att., 202 yds., 11.9 avg./rush, 2 TDs)  
Receiver: Ramon Vargas (7 GP, 41 rec., 665 yds., 16.2 avg./rec., 8 TDs)  
Tackler: Keleen Culberson (11 GP, 73 tackles, 3.0 TFL, 1.0 sacks, 1 INT)

**NEVADA HEAD COACH BRIAN POLIAN**

11-14 (3rd year) at Nevada  
11-14 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: None  
Rusher: Don Jackson (13 GP, 216 att., 957 yds., 4.4 avg./rush, 7 TDs)  
Receiver: Jerico Richardson (13 GP, 56 rec., 655 yds., 11.7 avg./rec., 3 TDs)  
Tackler: Jordan Dobrich (13 GP, 85 tackles, 3.0 TFL, 1.0 sack, 2 PBUs)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- Nevada senior DE **Ian Seau**, who was named the Mountain West preseason All-Conference team, is one of 14 MW players named to the Senior Bowl Watch List. In 2014, Seau was an All-MW second team selection after registering 39 tackles, including 10.5 tackles for loss and 8.5 sacks.
- Wolf Pack punter **Alex Boy** has been pegged as the Conference's top punter entering the 2015 season. Boy, who earned 2014 All-Mountain West second team honors, led the Conference averaging 44.3 yards per punt last season. The 44.3 yards per punt ranked 11th nationally.
- On Sept. 3, Nevada will start a new QB for the first time since Sept. 21, 2013. Cody Fajardo, who missed two games due to injury in 2013, started 42 of 46 games he played in. Only one QB on the Nevada roster, **Tyler Stewart**, has thrown a collegiate pass. Stewart has completed 28-of-52 passes for 300 yards. The last game Stewart played in was Nov. 16, 2013 (vs. San José State), but he did not attempt a pass.
- Nevada has won seven of its last 10 home openers, with its last loss coming on Sept. 8, 2012 vs. USF (32-31).
- In 2014, the Wolf Pack scored on 49-of-53 (.925) trips inside the red zone, a figure that ranked sixth nationally.
- UC Davis hasn't defeated a FBS member since Oct. 2, 2010 when the Aggies took down San José State 14-13. Since then, UC Davis has dropped seven consecutive contests, and nine of its last 10, against FBS opponents.
- For the first time in 11 seasons, Nevada will be on the west sideline at Mackay Stadium. In the past, both teams had to cross the field when entering and exiting the field.
- The Wolf Pack returns only four defensive starters from a team that ranked 11th nationally in turnover margin. The Nevada defense picked off 13 passes and recovered 14 fumbles in 2014. Entering this season, the defense only returns five of those INTs and five recovered fumbles.
- Nevada enters the 2015 season with the second-fewest seniors (scholarship and non-scholarship) in the Mountain West, and is tied for ninth-fewest in the FBS. The Wolf Pack have 13 seniors, including two on the offensive side of the ball. The two offensive seniors are the fewest nationally in 2015.
- Nevada has played in a bowl game nine of the last 10 seasons, joining 21 other FBS teams on the list. Boise State is the only other Mountain West institution that can make this same claim.



WEEK 1 PREVIEWS: NEW HAMPSHIRE AT SAN JOSÉ STATE



**NEW HAMPSHIRE WILDCATS**  
 0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Colonial

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	COLONIAL	UNH	FCS
Rush Offense	3rd	169.5	51st
Pass Offense	3rd	269.0	22nd
Total Offense	4th	438.5	26th
Scoring Offense	2nd	36.0	16th
Rush Defense	6th	156.3	41st
Pass Eff. Def	3rd	114.89	30th
Total Defense	7th	366.1	43rd
Punting	2nd	37.9	14th
Punt Returns	3rd	8.3	60th
Kickoff Returns	1st	22.4	21st
Turnover Margin	6th	0.43	28th
Pass Defense	7th	209.9	54th
Pass Efficiency	2nd	146.99	17th

**THE GAME**

Thursday, September 3  
 Spartan Stadium (30,456) • San Jose, Calif.  
 7 p.m. PT

**THE SERIES**

First Meeting

**THE STORY**

San José State and its strong pass defense (117.8) takes on New Hampshire and its passing attack offense (269.0). The Spartans look to snap their longest losing streak (6) since 2009, while the Wildcats search to defeat their first FBS-level opponent since 2009.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

NEW HAMPSHIRE	CATEGORY	SAN JOSÉ STATE
Lost 1	Current Streak	Lost 6
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
at Colgate	Next Week	at Air Force

**SAN JOSÉ STATE SPARTANS**

0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	SJSU	FBS
Rush Offense	11th	141.3	94th
Pass Offense	4th	253.2	44th
Total Offense	7th	394.5	70th
Scoring Offense	12th	19.3	113st
Rush Defense	10th	239.4	116th
Pass Eff. Def	1st	108.12	12th
Total Defense	3rd	357.3	32nd
Punting	12th	30.7	125th
Punt Returns	8th	6.9	79th
Kickoff Returns	7th	20.6	68th
Turnover Margin	12th	-1.00	114th
Pass Defense	1st	117.8	1st
Pass Efficiency	5th	125.11	71st

**NEW HAMPSHIRE HEAD COACH SEAN MCDONNELL**

126-73 (17th year) at New Hampshire  
 126-73 (17th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Sean Goldrich (9 GP, 188-295-6, 63.7 pct., 2,391 yds., 16 TDs)  
 Rusher: Sean Goldrich (9 GP, 88 att., 311 yds., 3.5 avg./rush, 9 TDs)  
 Receiver: Jared Allison (14 GP, 36 rec., 240 yds., 6.7 avg./rec., 0 TD)  
 Tackler: Akil Anderson (13 GP, 82 tackles, 8.0 TFL, 1.0 sack, 1 INT)

**SAN JOSÉ STATE HEAD COACH RON CARAGHER**

9-15 (3rd year) at San José State  
 53-37 (9th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Joe Gray (11 GP, 210-330-9, 63.6 pct., 2,305 yds., 11 TDs)  
 Rusher: Tyler Ervin (12 GP, 158 att., 888 yds., 5.6 avg./rush, 4 TDs)  
 Receiver: Tyler Winston (12 GP, 78 rec., 694 yds., 8.9 avg./rec., 5 TDs)  
 Tackler: Christian Tago (10 GP, 96 tackles, 5.0 TFL, 4 PBUs)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- San José State returns six starters from the best pass defense nationally in 2014. The Spartans only allowed 117.8 yards per game through the air and limited opponents to 357.3 yards of total offense per contest.
- The Spartans enter the 2015 season on a six-game losing streak, which is tied for the longest streak since 2009. That season, SJSU also lost six consecutive games. The last time the Spartans lost seven consecutive contests was in 2004.
- The Spartans return one of the most dangerous all-around athletes in the Mountain West in senior **Tyler Ervin**. As a junior, Ervin rushed for 888 yards, caught 29 passes for 306 yards and returned 26 kicks for 506 yards. In total, Ervin averaged 148.4 all-purpose yards per contest, a mark that ranked 13th nationally.
- SJSU has won two-consecutive home openers, defeating North Dakota 42-10 in 2014 and Sacramento State 24-0 in 2013.
- Since joining the Mountain West in 2013, San José State has a 2-6 record in non-conference play, with the two victories coming against FCS opponents.
- New Hampshire hasn't defeated a FBS opponent since taking down Ball State 23-16 on Sept. 12, 2009. The Wildcats have dropped five consecutive games against teams from FBS.
- New Hampshire won the Colonial Athletic Association title in 2014 and advanced to a Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) championship semifinal game before losing to Illinois State, 21-18. UNH is ranked No. 7 in the 2015 FCS preseason coaches' poll.
- The Wildcats bring one of the most dangerous FCS offenses in the nation to San Jose. In 2014, UNH passed for 269 yards per game and racked up 438.5 yards of total offense per contest. The Wildcats return one of the most accurate passers in the FCS in Sean Goldrich, who threw for 2,391 yards and 16 TDs last season.
- SJSU WR **Tyler Winston**, a two-time Mountain West honoree, is a standout pass-catcher in a league full of talent at the wide receiver position. Winston has caught 136 passes for 1,552 yards in two years. He has played in 22 career games and has at least three receptions in 20 of those contests.
- Defensively for the Spartans, **Cleveland Wallace III** returns for his junior season. Wallace recorded 1.25 pass breakups per game last season, a figure that tied for seventh nationally. His 14 total PBUs were the most by a Spartan since 1997 (Omarr Smith - 23).





**SOUTHERN UTAH THUNDERBIRDS**  
 0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Big Sky

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	BIG SKY	SUU	FCS
Rush Offense	13th	103.2	110th
Pass Offense	3rd	320.9	6th
Total Offense	6th	424.1	32nd
Scoring Offense	10th	23.2	84th
Rush Defense	13th	237.8	114th
Pass Eff. Def	12th	152.58	111th
Total Defense	13th	523.5	120th
Punting	5th	37.6	16th
Punt Returns	11th	4.4	110th
Kickoff Returns	13th	17.1	112th
Turnover Margin	8th	-0.17	66th
Pass Defense	11th	285.8	117th
Pass Efficiency	8th	140.32	30th

**THE GAME**

Thursday, September 3  
 Merlin Olsen Field at Maverik Stadium (25,513) • Logan, Utah  
 7 p.m. MT

**THE SERIES**

Utah State leads 3-0  
 Last meeting: 2012, Utah State 34-3 in Logan, Utah

**THE STORY**

Utah State has won six consecutive home openers, while Southern Utah has only won one road season opener since 2010. The Aggies rarely lose at home under head coach **Matt Wells**, compiling a 10-2 (.833) record.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

SOUTHERN UTAH	CATEGORY	UTAH STATE
Won 1	Current Streak	Won 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
at South Dakota State	Next Week	at Utah

**UTAH STATE AGGIES**



0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Mountain West

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	USU	FBS
Rush Offense	7th	180.1	49th
Pass Offense	8th	198.7	92nd
Total Offense	11th	378.8	83rd
Scoring Offense	6th	26.9	78th
Rush Defense	1st	130.7	49th
Pass Eff. Def	2nd	111.42	17th
Total Defense	2nd	356.1	30th
Punting	6th	37.9	51st
Punt Returns	6th	8.9	44th
Kickoff Returns	8th	20.5	72nd
Turnover Margin	2nd	0.64	20th
Pass Defense	5th	225.4	57th
Pass Efficiency	4th	133.85	51st

**SOUTHERN UTAH HEAD COACH ED LAMB**

37-43 (8th year) at Southern Utah  
 37-43 (8th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Ammon Olsen (12 GP, 241-381-11, 63.3 pct., 3,049 yds., 21 TDs)  
 Rusher: Malik Brown (12 GP, 103 att., 375 yds., 3.6 avg./rush, 1 TD)  
 Receiver: Justin Brown (12 GP, 43 rec., 678 yds., 15.8 avg./rec., 3 TDs)  
 Tackler: Miles Killebrew (12 GP, 101 tackles, 2.0 TFL, 4 FF, 3 INTs)

**UTAH STATE HEAD COACH MATT WELLS**

19-9 (3rd year) at Utah State  
 19-9 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Chuckie Keeton (3 GP, 51-92-4, 55.4 pct., 426 yds., 2 TDs)  
 Rusher: LaJuan Hunt (14 GP, 111 att., 540 yds., 4.9 avg./rush, 1 TD)  
 Receiver: Hunter Sharp (14 GP, 66 rec., 939 yds., 14.2 avg./rec., 7 TDs)  
 Tackler: Nick Vigil (13 GP, 123 tackles, 16.5 TFL, 7.0 sacks, 5 FF)

**WATCH TO WATCH FOR**

- Utah State has held its opponent out of the end zone in the first quarter in 32 of its last 42 games, and scoreless in the first quarter in 23 of its last 42 games. Overall, USU has led at the end of the first quarter in 32 of its last 42 games and is 27-5 in those contests.
- Utah State's **Chuckie Keeton** will be one of just two FBS QBs to start five season openers, joining Tulsa's T.J. Rubley (1987-91). Keeton has posted a 1-3 record in season openers, with all three losses coming on the road against autonomous 5 conference opponents.
- Utah State return seven starters from one of the top defenses in the Mountain West in 2014. The Aggies only allowed 356.1 yards of total offense per game and picked off 19 passes, a figure that ranked eighth nationally. Additionally, USU scored five defensive touchdowns, which was tied for the ninth-most in the FBS.
- Aggies LB **Kyler Fackrell** was named the Mountain West's Preseason Defensive Player of the Year. Last season, Fackrell suffered a season-ending knee injury in the season opener, but as a sophomore in 2013, he racked up 82 total tackles, including 13 tackles for loss and five sacks.
- Utah State has won its last six home openers with the last loss coming on Sept. 13, 2008 against No. 22 Utah.
- The Aggies are just one of four FBS institutions to win 30-plus games and register three bowl victories in the last three years. Utah State joins Clemson, Michigan State and Oregon on the list.
- The last time Utah State lost at home was Oct. 12, 2013 vs. Boise State (34-23). Since that defeat, the Aggies have rattled off nine consecutive home victories. This streak is tied for the fifth-longest home win streak in program history.
- Utah State used three different quarterbacks in 2013 and four different quarterbacks in 2014 (due to injury) and still produced a 19-9 record, including a pair of bowl wins.
- In 2015, Utah State will play nine opponents that participated in bowl games last season, which is tied for the fifth-most nationally.
- Southern Utah had the sixth-best passing offense in the FCS last season, averaging 320.9 yards per game. The Thunderbirds return Ammon Olsen, their senior quarterback who set a handful of school records in 2014 and was named Big Sky Newcomer of the Year.





**WASHINGTON HUSKIES**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Pac-12

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	PAC-12	UW	FBS
Rush Offense	4th	188.6	40th
Pass Offense	11th	200.1	87th
Total Offense	10th	388.6	74th
Scoring Offense	9th	30.2	54th
Rush Defense	2nd	124.1	22nd
Pass Eff. Def	8th	137.26	100th
Total Defense	6th	410.6	78th
Punting	4th	38.2	45th
Punt Returns	6th	9.4	39th
Kickoff Returns	8th	21.8	45th
Turnover Margin	3rd	0.86	9th
Pass Defense	10th	286.6	120th
Pass Efficiency	8th	135.25	49th

**THE GAME**

Friday, September 4  
Albertsons Stadium (36,387) • Boise, Idaho  
8:15 p.m. MT • ESPN  
Mark Jones (PBP), Rod Gilmore (analyst), Quint Kessenich (sideline)

**THE SERIES**

Washington leads 2-1  
Last meeting: 2013, Washington 38-6 in Seattle, Wash.

**THE STORY**

Boise State opens at home for the first time since 2009, as the Broncos take on former head coach Chris Petersen, who left for Washington in December 2013. Boise State has won 19-straight non-conference home games, with its last loss coming in the 2005 MPC Computers Bowl vs. Boston College (27-21).

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

WASHINGTON	CATEGORY	BOISE STATE
Lost 1	Current Streak	Won 9
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
Sacramento State	Next Week	at BYU

**BOISE STATE BRONCOS**



0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	BS	FBS
Rush Offense	4th	213.9	29th
Pass Offense	2nd	280.4	23rd
Total Offense	1st	494.3	14th
Scoring Offense	1st	39.7	9th
Rush Defense	3rd	142.6	36th
Pass Eff. Def	5th	116.65	31st
Total Defense	4th	375.4	48th
Punting	5th	37.9	50th
Punt Returns	3rd	9.9	32nd
Kickoff Returns	12th	18.8	114th
Turnover Margin	3rd	0.50	30th
Pass Defense	7th	232.9	74th
Pass Efficiency	2nd	154.96	13th

**WASHINGTON HEAD COACH CHRIS PETERSEN**

8-6 (2nd year) at Washington  
100-18 (10th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Jeff Lindquist (13 GP, 10-30-0, 33.3 pct., 162 yds., 1 TD)  
Rusher: Dwayne Washington (13 GP, 132 att., 697 yds., 5.3 avg./rush, 9 TDs)  
Receiver: Jaydon Mickens (14 GP, 60 rec., 617 yds., 10.3 avg./rec., 4 TDs)  
Tackler: Budda Baker (14 GP, 80 tackles, 2.0 TFL, 1 sack, 6 PBUs, 1 INT)

**BOISE STATE HEAD COACH BRYAN HARSIN**

12-2 (2nd year) at Boise State  
19-7 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Ryan Finley (5 GP, 12-27-1, 44.4 pct., 161 yds., 2 TDs)  
Rusher: Shane Williams-Rhodes (14 GP, 15 att., 179 yds., 11.9 avg./rush)  
Receiver: Shane Williams-Rhodes (14 GP, 68 rec., 585 yds., 8.6 avg./rec., 7 TDs)  
Tackler: Tanner Vallejo (14 GP, 100 tackles, 16.5 TFL, 3.0 sacks, 3 FR)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- On Friday, Sept. 4, Washington head coach Chris Petersen returns to Boise State for the first time since he left in December of 2013. Petersen was Boise State's head coach from 2006-13.
- Boise State lost its starting QB (Grant Hedrick) and RB (Jay Ajayi) from 2014, but returns 18 starters from a team that went 12-2 and defeated Arizona in the Fiesta Bowl.
- The Broncos are ranked No. 23 in the AP Top 25 and No. 24 in the USA Today Coaches Preseason Polls. This is the ninth time in the last 10 years that a Mountain West institution has been ranked in both preseason polls.
- When nationally ranked in either the AP or Coaches Poll, the Broncos have compiled a 91-11 record.
- Since 2000, the Broncos have the nation's highest home winning percentage going 92-4 (.958). Currently, Boise State is on a 14-game home win streak with its last loss coming on Oct. 3, 2012 vs. San Diego State (21-19).
- The Broncos have compiled a 7-5 record against current autonomous 5 conference institutions dating back to 2010. Boise State has defeated Arizona, Washington, Georgia, Arizona State, Virginia Tech, Oregon State and Utah in that time.
- Boise State starts the 2015 season on a nine-game win streak. The last time The Broncos lost was Sept. 27, 2014 at Air Force. The nine-game streak is their longest since winning 10 consecutive games spanning from the end of 2010 season through the middle of 2011 season.
- Boise State has dropped three consecutive season openers, with its last season-opening victory coming vs. Georgia (35-21) on Sept. 3, 2011. The Broncos three season-opening losses have all come on the road.
- The Broncos have one of the most dangerous secondaries in the country. **Darian Thompson** has 14 interceptions while **Donte Deayon** has 13, which ranks tied for second and fourth nationally in active career INTs, respectively. Thompson's 14 career picks is tied for second-most in Mountain West history. Utah's Eric Weddle holds the Conference record, picking off 18 passes from 2003-06.
- Boise State's **Shane Williams-Rhodes** returns for his senior season. He led the team with 68 receptions for 585 yards and seven touchdowns in 2014. The seven receiving TDs were the second-most in the Mountain West. Williams-Rhodes also rushed for 179 yards and returned 18 punts for 8.5 yards per return. Williams-Rhodes is a candidate for the Paul Hornung Award, given annually to the nations most versatile player.







**MORGAN STATE BEARS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 MEAC

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MEAC	MSU	FCS
Rush Offense	2nd	208.5	26th
Pass Offense	5th	170.2	94th
Total Offense	3rd	378.8	65th
Scoring Offense	2nd	27.8	51st
Rush Defense	9th	205.1	99th
Pass Eff. Def	3rd	110.38	17th
Total Defense	5th	358.6	38th
Punting	7th	33.2	90th
Punt Returns	4th	12.5	21st
Kickoff Returns	4th	19.6	63rd
Turnover Margin	4th	0.15	51st
Pass Defense	2nd	153.5	5th
Pass Efficiency	6th	116.32	83rd

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
Falcon Stadium (46,692) • Colorado Springs, Colo.  
1:30 p.m. MT • ROOT Sports  
Marc Stout (PBP), Sed Bonner (analyst), Tori Holt (sideline)

**THE SERIES**

First Meeting

**THE STORY**

Air Force opens the 2015 season looking for its 15th consecutive victory over an FCS opponent, while Morgan State looks to build on its first MEAC Championship from 2014.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

MORGAN STATE	CATEGORY	AIR FORCE
Lost 1	Current Streak	Won 2
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
at Illinois State	Next Week	San José State

**AIR FORCE FALCONS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	AFA	FBS
Rush Offense	2nd	273.1	6th
Pass Offense	11th	145.6	117th
Total Offense	3rd	418.7	52nd
Scoring Offense	3rd	31.5	48th
Rush Defense	2nd	135.6	28th
Pass Eff. Def	6th	130.87	78th
Total Defense	5th	394.8	60th
Punting	2nd	39.1	29th
Punt Returns	10th	5.1	105th
Kickoff Returns	6th	20.9	61st
Turnover Margin	7th	0.08	57th
Pass Defense	11th	259.2	102nd
Pass Efficiency	3rd	154.13	14th

**MORGAN STATE HEAD COACH LEE HULL**

7-6 (2nd year) at Morgan State  
7-6 (2nd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Moses Skillon (7 GP, 115-204-8, 56.4 pct., 1,392 yds., 11 TDs)  
Rusher: Herb Walker, Jr. (12 GP, 233 att., 1,408 yds., 6.0 avg./rush, 13 TDs)  
Receiver: Andrew King (10 GP, 42 rec., 508 yds., 12.1 avg./rec., 6 TDs)  
Tackler: Peterson Janvier (13 GP, 86 tackles, 3.5 TFL, 2 INTs)

**AIR FORCE HEAD COACH TROY CALHOUN**

59-44 (9th year) at Air Force  
59-44 (9th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Nate Romine (5 GP, 14-30-1, 46.7 pct., 208 yds.)  
Rusher: Jacobi Owens (10 GP, 204 att., 1,054 yds., 5.2 avg./rush, 5 TDs)  
Receiver: Jalen Robinette (13 GP, 43 rec., 806 yds., 18.7 avg./rec., 4 TDs)  
Tackler: Connor Healy (13 GP, 117 tackles, 19.5 TFL, 7.0 sacks, 2 INTs)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- Air Force lost 14 starters from its 2014 squad that won 10 games, including a Famous Idaho Potato Bowl victory over Western Michigan (38-24).
- Morgan State is coming off its first Mid-Eastern Athletics Conference championship. It was the Bears first berth to the NCAA Division I Championship. MSU went 6-2 in MEAC play.
- Under ninth-year head coach **Troy Calhoun**, the Falcons have not lost a season opener. On a similar note, the last time Air Force lost a home opener was Sept. 4, 2004 when it fell 56-14 to No. 15/13 California.
- Calhoun has compiled a 15-3 home record against non-conference foes.
- Since the Mountain West's inception in 1999, Air Force has an undefeated (14-0) record against FCS-level opponents.
- In 2014, the Falcons ranked sixth nationally rushing at 273.1 yards per contest, and returns leading rusher **Jacobi Owens** this season. Owens rushed for 1,054 yards before suffering a foot injury that ended his sophomore season. AFA brings back 71-percent of its rushing yardage from 2014. Morgan State struggled to stop the run last season, allowing 205.1 yards per game on the ground.
- Air Force has scored in a school record 271 consecutive games. This is the third-longest active streak, behind Florida (334) and TCU (275), and the eighth-longest of all-time. The last time the Falcons were shutout was Dec. 31, 1992 in the Liberty Bowl against Mississippi.
- First-team All-MW DB **Weston Steelhammer** returns for his junior campaign. Steelhammer picked off six passes in 2014, a figure which ranked 13th nationally.
- In 2014, WR **Jalen Robinette** caught 43 passes for 806 yards and four touchdowns. The 806 receiving yards are the seventh-most receiving yards in a single season in program history and the most by a Falcons pass-catcher since 2005.
- Dating back to the 2004 season, Morgan State has lost nine consecutive games against FBS-level opponents.
- Morgan State RB Herb Walker, Jr., set a single-season school record rushing with 1,408 yards last season, while earning first-team All-MEAC honors. Walker's 1,408 rushing yards ranked as the 14th-most in FCS.





**SAN DIEGO TOREROS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Pioneer

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	PFL	USD	FCS
Rush Offense	5th	155.2	73rd
Pass Offense	7th	197.1	77th
Total Offense	8th	352.3	88th
Scoring Offense	4th	26.1	66th
Rush Defense	7th	174.5	63rd
Pass Eff. Def	5th	114.89	28th
Total Defense	5th	366.3	44th
Punting	9th	32.5	99th
Punt Returns	6th	7.5	65th
Kickoff Returns	8th	18.8	79th
Turnover Margin	4th	0.00	59th
Pass Defense	2nd	191.8	31st
Pass Efficiency	2nd	132.47	46th

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
Qualcomm Stadium (70,561) • San Diego, Calif.  
5 p.m. PT • Mountain West Network  
Ray Crawford (PBP), Darius Walker (analyst), Shae Peppler (sideline)

**THE SERIES**

San Diego State leads 1-0  
Last meeting: 1961, San Diego State 42-12 in San Diego, Calif.

**THE STORY**

This week's match-up pits the Mountain West's top-rated rusher (**Donnel Pumphrey**) against a San Diego squad that allowed 174.5 rushing yards per contest. The Aztecs secondary is one of the most experienced in the MW, and they only allowed 178.5 passing yards per game in 2014, the 10th-best nationally.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

SAN DIEGO	CATEGORY	SAN DIEGO STATE
Lost 2	Current Streak	Lost 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
Western New Mexico	Next Week	at California

**SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	SDSU	FBS
Rush Offense	3rd	216.1	26th
Pass Offense	10th	178.4	106th
Total Offense	9th	394.5	71st
Scoring Offense	8th	25.0	88th
Rush Defense	4th	153.9	48th
Pass Eff. Def	3rd	112.10	19th
Total Defense	1st	332.5	16th
Punting	11th	34.2	109th
Punt Returns	1st	10.4	26th
Kickoff Returns	5th	21.2	58th
Turnover Margin	4th	0.31	43rd
Pass Defense	2nd	178.5	10th
Pass Efficiency	11th	109.11	110th

**SAN DIEGO HEAD COACH DALE LINDSEY**

17-6 (3rd year) at San Diego  
17-6 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Trey Wheeler (3 GP, 23-38-2, 60.5 pct., 192 yds., 3 TDs)  
Rusher: Jonah Hodges (12 GP, 221 att., 1,214 yds., 5.5 avg./rush, 6 TDs)  
Receiver: Ross Dwelley (12 GP, 23 rec., 219 yds., 9.5 avg./rec., 3 TDs)  
Tackler: Nic Henson (12 GP, 90 tackles, 5.0 TFL, 2.5 sacks, 1 FF, 1 FR)

**SAN DIEGO STATE HEAD COACH ROCKY LONG**

32-20 (5th year) at San Diego State  
97-89 (16th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Nick Bawden (5 GP, 13-38-2, 34.2 pct., 147 yds., 1 TD)  
Rusher: Donnel Pumphrey (13 GP, 276 att., 1,867 yds., 6.8 avg./rush, 20 TDs)  
Receiver: Eric Judge (12 GP, 24 rec., 471 yds., 19.6 avg./rec., 2 TDs)  
Tackler: Calvin Munson (13 GP, 83 tackles, 10.5 TFL, 4.0 sacks, 4 INTs, 2 FF)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- San Diego State has been tabbed to win the West Division of the Mountain West in 2015. In the previous two years, SDSU was picked to finish second in the West.
- The Aztecs return 14 starters from a 2014 team that went 7-6 and appeared in the San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl against Navy.
- San Diego State RB **Donnel Pumphrey** returns for his junior season after rushing for a school single-season record 1,867 yards as a sophomore. Pumphrey fell just 16 yards short of tying a Mountain West record set by Nevada's Stephon Jefferson in 2012.
- Pumphrey's 143.6 rushing yards per game ranked as the fourth-most in the FBS in 2014, and are the second-best by a returning RB in 2015.
- Pumphrey has recorded four consecutive games with at least 100 rushing yards dating back to Nov. 8, 2014. He is just three games short of tying the Mountain West record.
- San Diego has won eight of its last 10 games, but the Toreros dropped their final two games of the 2014 season, losing to Cal Poly 34-3 in the regular-season finale and Montana in the first round of the NCAA Division I Football Championship 52-14.
- Last season, the Toreros earned an automatic bid into the FCS Playoffs after winning their third Pioneer Football League title in four years.
- The Aztecs return eight starters from a defense that ranked as the best in the Mountain West, allowing only 332.5 yards of total offense per contest. SDSU surrendered 178.5 yards through the air, 10th-best nationally, and 153.9 on the ground.
- SDSU kicker **Donny Hageman** was named Mountain West's Preseason Special Teams Player of the Year. In 2014, Hageman connected on 20-of-25 field goals, including 6-of-7 from 40-49 yards, and was a perfect 37-for-37 on point after attempts. Hageman led the MW averaging 1.54 made field goals per game.
- Since 1999, the Aztecs have an 11-3 record vs. FCS opponents, with their last loss coming in the season-opener vs. Eastern Illinois in 2013.
- This is the first FBS-level opponent the Toreros' have faced since playing San Diego State in 1961.





**UNLV REBELS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	UNLV	FBS
Rush Offense	12th	129.2	102nd
Pass Offense	3rd	258.2	43rd
Total Offense	9th	387.4	78th
Scoring Offense	9th	21.9	104th
Rush Defense	12th	293.8	123rd
Pass Eff. Def	10th	149.06	112th
Total Defense	11th	513.5	123rd
Punting	4th	38.4	43rd
Punt Returns	9th	6.2	92nd
Kickoff Returns	2nd	22.0	42nd
Turnover Margin	10th	-0.54	105th
Pass Defense	3rd	219.6	50th
Pass Efficiency	10th	112.21	105th

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
Huskie Stadium (23,595) • DeKalb, Ill.  
6:30 p.m. CT • CBS Sports Network  
Andrew Catalon (PBP), Adam Archuleta (analyst), Rashan Ali (sideline)

**THE SERIES**

Northern Illinois leads 4-0  
Last meeting: 2014, Northern Illinois 48-34 in Las Vegas, Nev.

**THE STORY**

The **Tony Sanchez** era opens up on the road in DeKalb, Ill., where Northern Illinois has only lost once in the last five seasons. First-year UNLV coaches are 5-5 in their debuts.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

UNLV	CATEGORY	NORTHERN ILLINOIS
Lost 6	Current Streak	Lost 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
UCLA	Next Week	Murray State

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS HUSKIES**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 MAC



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MAC	NIU	FBS
Rush Offense	2nd	249.1	16th
Pass Offense	12th	192.1	97th
Total Offense	2nd	441.2	36th
Scoring Offense	4th	31.5	47th
Rush Defense	6th	163.1	58th
Pass Eff. Def	3rd	123.93	50th
Total Defense	4th	391.6	57th
Punting	1st	40.1	15th
Punt Returns	5th	7.1	74th
Kickoff Returns	8th	19.7	91st
Turnover Margin	1st	0.86	9th
Pass Defense	5th	228.5	63rd
Pass Efficiency	5th	132.88	52nd

**UNLV HEAD COACH TONY SANCHEZ**

0-0 (1st year) at UNLV  
0-0 (1st year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Blake Decker (13 GP, 231-401-18, 57.6 pct., 2,886 yds., 15 TDs)  
Rusher: Keith Whitely (13 GP, 118 att., 504 yds., 4.3 avg./rush, 2 TDs)  
Receiver: Devonte Boyd (13 GP, 65 rec., 980 yds., 15.1 avg./rec., 4 TDs)  
Tackler: Tau Lotulelei (13 GP, 100 tackles, 10.5 TFL, 3.0 sacks, 2 FF)

**NORTHERN ILLINOIS HEAD COACH ROD CAREY**

23-6 (3rd year) at Northern Illinois  
23-6 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Drew Hare (14 GP, 194-326-2, 59.5 pct., 2,322 yds., 18 TDs)  
Rusher: Drew Hare (14 GP, 159 att., 900 yds., 5.7 avg./rush, 8 TDs)  
Receiver: Aregeros Turner (14 GP, 37 rec., 398 yds., 10.8 avg./rec., 2 TDs)  
Tackler: Marlon Moore (14 GP, 99 tackles, 3.5 TFL, 2 FF, 1 INTs)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- On Sept. 5, the **Tony Sanchez** era begins at UNLV. Sanchez, the 11th head coach in program history, spent the last six seasons just down the street at Bishop Gorman High School where he won six consecutive state 4A championships and compiled an 85-5 record.
- UNLV first-year coaches are 5-5 in their debut. The last Rebels coach to win his debut was John Robinson, as UNLV defeated North Texas 26-3 on the road in 1999.
- The Rebels have dropped their last five season openers. Their last season-opening victory came on Sept. 5, 2009 vs. Sacramento State (38-3). On the other side of the ball, Northern Illinois has won three of its last four season openers.
- Since 2010, the Huskies boast a 26-1 home record in DeKalb, with their lone loss coming vs. Central Michigan (Oct. 11, 2014).
- UNLV's last road victory was on Nov. 21, 2013 at Air Force (41-21). Since then, the Rebels have dropped seven straight road contests. The last time UNLV won a non-conference road game was on Sept. 13, 2008, a 23-20 overtime victory at Arizona State.
- UNLV enters the 2015 season on a six-game losing skid, the longest losing streak for the Rebels since 2007, when they dropped eight consecutive games.
- UNLV's **Devonte Boyd**, who led all FBS freshmen in receiving yards last season, was the Mountain West Freshman of the Year in 2014 after catching 65 passes for 980 yards and four touchdowns.
- Northern Illinois returns 16 starters from its 2014 MAC Championship squad that posted an 11-3 record and appeared in the Boca Raton Bowl.
- Northern Illinois returns its 2014 leading passer and second-leading rusher in QB Drew Hare. In 14 games last season, Hare threw for 2,322 yards, 18 TDs and just two INTs.
- UNLV QB **Blake Decker** threw for 2,886 yards in 13 games in 2014. The 2,886 passing yards are the third-most in a single-season by a Rebels QB.
- UNLV led the nation along with Missouri and Boston College for fewest lost fumbles in 2014 with just three. That total broke the program record, which was previously five.





**SAVANNAH STATE TIGERS**  
 0-0 Overall  
 0-0 MEAC

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MEAC	SSU	FCS
Rush Offense	11th	76.8	119th
Pass Offense	8th	157.3	102nd
Total Offense	10th	234.2	120th
Scoring Offense	10th	11.4	117th
Rush Defense	11th	235.5	113th
Pass Eff. Def	11th	160.05	117th
Total Defense	11th	449.8	102nd
Punting	11th	29.7	117th
Punt Returns	5th	12.3	23rd
Kickoff Returns	9th	17.7	104th
Turnover Margin	8th	-0.50	97th
Pass Defense	9th	214.3	62nd
Pass Efficiency	11th	85.34	121st

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
 Sonny Lubick Field at Hughes Stadium (34,400) • Fort Collins, Colo.  
 2 p.m. MT • Mountain West Network-Institutional

**THE SERIES**

First Meeting

**THE STORY**

Colorado State is coming off its fifth 10-win season in program history, and is riding an eight-game winning streak at Hughes Stadium. On the other end, Savannah State is looking to snap a 21-game losing streak. The Rams are led by first-year head coach **Mike Bobo**, who had been at the University of Georgia since 2001.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

SAVANNAH STATE	CATEGORY	COLORADO STATE
Lost 21	Current Streak	Lost 2
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
at Akron	Next Week	Minnesota

**COLORADO STATE RAMS**  
 0-0 Overall  
 0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	CSU	FBS
Rush Offense	8th	159.3	69th
Pass Offense	1st	321.6	8th
Total Offense	2nd	480.9	18th
Scoring Offense	2nd	33.9	30th
Rush Defense	7th	200.8	96th
Pass Eff. Def	4th	116.18	27th
Total Defense	7th	425.0	85th
Punting	3rd	38.8	33rd
Punt Returns	12th	3.9	119th
Kickoff Returns	3rd	21.6	51st
Turnover Margin	5th	0.15	53rd
Pass Defense	4th	224.2	56th
Pass Efficiency	1st	164.52	5th

**SAVANNAH STATE HEAD COACH EARNEST WILSON III**

1-23 (3rd year) at Savannah State  
 1-23 (3rd year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Tino Smith (11 GP, 89-176-8, 50.6 pct., 849 yds., 5 TDs)  
 Rusher: Richard Williams (11 GP, 95 att., 370 yds., 3.9 avg./rush, 3 TDs)  
 Receiver: Cantrell Frazier (11 GP, 31 rec., 285 yds., 9.2 avg./rec., 3 TDs)  
 Tackler: Trevion Ashford (11 GP, 73 tackles, 3.5 TFL, 0.5 sack, 1 FR)

**COLORADO STATE HEAD COACH MIKE BOBO**

0-0 (1st year) at Colorado State  
 0-0 (1st year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Nick Stevens (5 GP, 15-25-0, 60.0 pct., 136 yds., 1 TD)  
 Rusher: Treyous Jarrells (10 GP, 87 att., 450 yds., 5.2 avg./rush, 6 TDs)  
 Receiver: Rashard Higgins (12 GP, 96 rec., 1,750 yds., 18.2 avg./rec., 17 TDs)  
 Tackler: Kevin Pierre-Louis (12 GP, 85 tackles, 3.0 TFL, 1 sack, 1 FR)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- The **Mike Bobo** era begins at Colorado State as the former Georgia offensive coordinator takes over the head coaching reigns from Jim McElwain, who took the same position at Florida. This is Bobo's first stint as a head coach.
- Colorado State will honor its Aggie heritage on Saturday (formerly the Colorado A&M Aggies prior to 1957), and the jerseys will represent the schools original colors of pumpkin and alfalfa. Since the tradition began of honoring the Aggie heritage in 2010, the Rams are 5-1 while donning the orange tops.
- Savannah State will be the 11th different FCS opponent that Colorado State has faced since the inception of the football program in 1893. In those games, the Rams are 40-9-1, with the most recent loss coming against eventual FCS champion North Dakota State (Sept. 8, 2012).
- Savannah State enters the 2015 season on a 21-game losing streak, with its last victory coming on Sept. 14, 2013 vs. Fort Valley State University (27-20). This is tied for the longest active losing streak in FCS with Columbia.
- Colorado State enters the Sept. 5 contest on an eight-game home winning streak, and a victory would tie the school record for consecutive home wins (9). The record was originally set from 1927-29. Overall, the Rams have won 13 of 15 home games dating back to the 2012 season. Additionally, this would be the Rams' 500th program victory.
- CSU junior wide receiver **Rashard Higgins**, a finalist for the Biletnikoff Award in 2014, is second nationally among active pass-catchers with 99.5 receiving yards per game and fourth with 6.31 receptions per game. In 26 career contests, Higgins has caught 164 passes for 2,587 yards.
- Higgins has a catch in 26 consecutive games, a streak that ties for seventh nationally among active pass-catchers. The CSU wide receiver is tied with Pittsburgh's Tyler Boyd and Cincinnati's Shaq Washington. Arizona State's D.J. Foster leads the nation with a reception in 40 consecutive games.
- Higgins isn't the only receiving threat the Rams will have in 2015, as Colorado State returns the most team receiving yards nationally with 6,628 yards. They also bring back 50 receiving touchdowns, the second-most nationally, behind Cincinnati (57).
- Colorado State, which ranked eighth nationally in passing offense in 2014 (321.6), will open the season with a quarterback making his first collegiate start for the first time since Sept. 4, 2010. Redshirt sophomore quarterback **Nick Stevens** backed up 2015 NFL third-round draft pick Garrett Grayson, the 2014 Mountain West Offensive Player of the Year, for the past two seasons.
- Colorado State tight end **Kivon Cartwright** was granted a sixth-season of college eligibility back in February after the NCAA approved an extension of eligibility waiver. Cartwright, who earned All-MW honors in 2013, returns with 57 receptions for 857 yards and nine touchdowns in 32 career games. Cartwright bolsters a CSU tight end corp that also features **Steven Walker**, a 2014 All-MW first-team selection.
- Savannah State was shutout in back-to-back games to end the 2014 season: 34-0 vs. North Carolina A&T State (Nov. 15) and 64-0 at BYU (Nov. 22). On a similar note, Colorado State hasn't shutout an opponent since Oct. 4, 1997 vs. Hawai'i (63-0).



WEEK 1 PREVIEWS: MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE AT NEW MEXICO



**MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE DELTA DEVILS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 SWAC

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	SWAC	MVSU	FCS
Rush Offense	9th	121.9	100th
Pass Offense	10th	185.5	90th
Total Offense	10th	307.4	100th
Scoring Offense	10th	17.7	103rd
Rush Defense	9th	203.9	97th
Pass Eff. Def	9th	143.79	99th
Total Defense	5th	411.7	80th
Punting	10th	31.3	108th
Punt Returns	9th	6.5	76th
Kickoff Returns	10th	16.2	119th
Turnover Margin	10th	-1.09	117th
Pass Defense	3rd	207.8	48th
Pass Efficiency	10th	103.98	105th

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
Branch Field at University Stadium (39,224) • Albuquerque, N.M.  
6 p.m. MT

**THE SERIES**

First Meeting

**THE STORY**

Mississippi Valley State looks to snap a four game losing streak, while New Mexico attempts to win back-to-back games for the first time since 2012. The Lobos should have one of the nation's most dangerous rushing attacks again in 2015, something the Delta Devils struggled to stop last season, allowing 203.9 rushing yards per game.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE	CATEGORY	NEW MEXICO
Lost 4	Current Streak	Won 1
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
Southern	Next Week	Tulsa

**NEW MEXICO LOBOS**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West



**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	UNM	FBS
Rush Offense	1st	310.4	4th
Pass Offense	12th	89.1	123rd
Total Offense	5th	399.5	64th
Scoring Offense	5th	27.7	71st
Rush Defense	11th	269.0	122nd
Pass Eff. Def	9th	141.06	107th
Total Defense	12th	519.0	124th
Punting	9th	37.3	69th
Punt Returns	11th	5.0	107th
Kickoff Returns	1st	22.4	35th
Turnover Margin	6th	0.08	56th
Pass Defense	9th	250.0	92nd
Pass Efficiency	8th	118.72	88th

**MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE HEAD COACH RICK COMEGY**

2-9 (2nd year) at Mississippi Valley State  
173-96-2 (25th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Quantavius Peterson (10 GP, 66-146-7, 45.2 pct., 874 yds., 6 TDs)  
Rusher: Quantavius Peterson (10 GP, 105 att., 297 yds., 2.8 avg./rush, 5 TDs)  
Receiver: Keenan Daniels (8 GP, 9 rec., 203 yds., 22.6 avg./rec.)  
Tackler: Le'Trey Jones (11 GP, 74 tackles, 9.5 TFL, 1.0 sack, 3 FF, 1 INT)

**NEW MEXICO HEAD COACH BOB DAVIE**

11-26 (4th year) at New Mexico  
46-51 (9th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Lamar Jordan (11 GP, 59-112-5, 52.7 pct., 895 yds., 6 TDs)  
Rusher: Jhurrell Pressley (12 GP, 114 att., 1,083 yds., 9.5 avg./rush, 12 TDs)  
Receiver: Teriyon Gipson (11 GP, 15 rec., 123 yds., 8.2 avg./rec., 1 TD)  
Tackler: Dakota Cox (9 GP, 116 tackles, 2.0 TFL, 1 INT, 1 FR)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- In 2014, New Mexico had the nation's fourth-best rushing attack, averaging 310.4 yards on the ground per contest. This season, the Lobos return leading rusher **Jhurrell Pressley**, who ran for 1,083 yards on 114 attempts. UNM returns just over 90-percent of the teams total rushing yards.
- Pressley has rushed for more than 100 yards in five of his last six games, including two consecutive contests to end 2014.
- The Lobos last season-opening victory came on Sept. 1, 2012, a 66-21 victory over Southern. In the last 10 seasons, UNM has only won two season openers ('12 and '05 vs. UNLV).
- The Lobos have arguably two of the most dangerous return men in the nation in **Ridge Jones** and **Carlos Wiggins**. Last season, Jones averaged 25.9 yards per return while Wiggins averaged 29.3. Jones' 25.9 yards per return ranked 14th nationally. Wiggins did not qualify for a national ranking because he only returned 13 kicks.
- New Mexico junior LB **Dakota Cox** led the nation averaging 12.9 tackles per contest in 2014. Cox only played in nine games, racking up 116 tackles, before suffering a season-ending injury. In two years as a Lobo, Cox has compiled 215 total tackles in 21 games.
- Since the Mountain West's inception in 1999, the Lobos have a 6-2 record against FCS opponents. The two losses came against Portland State in 2006 (17-6) and Sam Houston State in 2011 (48-45 in OT).
- The Delta Devils return their leading rusher and second-leading passer from 2014 in QB Quantavius Peterson. Peterson played in 10 games, rushing for 297 yards and passing for 874 yards. MVSU averaged 185.5 passing yards per contest, while rushing for 121.9 per game, ranking 90th and 100th in FCS, respectively.
- Redshirt sophomore QB **Lamar Jordan** only started four games in 2014, but led the Lobos with 895 passing yards and six TDs. Jordan was also UNM's third-leading rusher, scampering for 612 yards and three TDs. He played in 11 of 12 games last season, and the 895 passing yards were the most by a Lobos QB since 2011 (B.R. Holbrook - 1,490).
- With a victory to end the 2014 season and a win on Sept. 5, the Lobos will have won back-to-back games for the first time since Oct. 6 and 13 in 2012. That year UNM defeated Texas State (35-14) and Hawai'i (35-23).



WEEK 1 PREVIEWS: NORTH DAKOTA AT WYOMING



**NORTH DAKOTA**

0-0 Overall  
0-0 Big Sky

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	BIG SKY	UND	FBS
Rush Offense	11th	116.4	103rd
Pass Offense	12th	137.9	110th
Total Offense	13th	254.3	115th
Scoring Offense	13th	15.9	109th
Rush Defense	1st	102.5	5th
Pass Eff. Def	11th	152.05	108th
Total Defense	1st	354.4	34th
Punting	8th	35.4	46th
Punt Returns	1st	16.9	5th
Kickoff Returns	6th	21.4	36th
Turnover Margin	7th	0.08	55th
Pass Defense	6th	251.9	99th
Pass Efficiency	13th	94.77	115th

**THE GAME**

Saturday, September 5  
Jonah Field at War Memorial Stadium (29,181) • Laramie, Wyo.  
2 p.m. MT

**THE SERIES**

First Meeting

**THE STORY**

North Dakota travels to Laramie with one of the strongest rush defenses in the FCS in 2014, but face a tough contest against two strong running backs in **Brian Hill** and **Shaun Wick**, who combined for over 1,500 rushing yards last season.

**TALE OF THE TAPE**

NORTH DAKOTA	CATEGORY	WYOMING
Won 2	Current Streak	Lost 3
0	Touchdowns Scored	0
0	Rushing Touchdowns	0
0	Passing Touchdowns	0
0	Touchdowns Allowed	0
0	Rushing TDs Allowed	0
0	Passing TDs Allowed	0
--	Last Week	--
Drake	Next Week	Eastern Michigan

**WYOMING COWBOYS**



0-0 Overall  
0-0 Mountain West

**2014 STATISTICS**

CATEGORY	MW	UNM	FBS
Rush Offense	9th	153.2	77th
Pass Offense	5th	227.8	67th
Total Offense	10th	380.9	81st
Scoring Offense	10th	21.1	107th
Rush Defense	9th	203.0	101st
Pass Eff. Def	12th	156.98	120th
Total Defense	8th	430.8	89th
Punting	10th	35.1	100th
Punt Returns	2nd	10.2	29th
Kickoff Returns	9th	20.0	81st
Turnover Margin	8th	-0.17	76th
Pass Defense	6th	227.8	61st
Pass Efficiency	6th	122.98	74th

**NORTH DAKOTA HEAD COACH BUBBA SCHWEIGERT**

5-7 (2nd year) at North Dakota  
27-28 (6th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Joe Mollberg (8 GP, 78-143-5, 54.5 pct., 919 yds., 3 TDs)  
Rusher: Kyle Norberg (7 GP, 87 att., 255 yds., 2.9 avg./rush, 1 TD)  
Receiver: Josh Seibel (10 GP, 25 rec., 216 yds., 8.6 avg./rec., 1 TD)  
Tackler: Will Ratelle (12 GP, 106 tackles, 5.5 TFL, 2.0 sacks, 2 FR)

**WYOMING HEAD COACH CRAIG BOHL**

4-8 (2nd year) at Wyoming  
108-40 (13th year) overall

**RETURNING STATISTICAL LEADERS**

Passer: Tom Thornton (4 GP, 4-10-1, 40.0 pct., 50 yds.)  
Rusher: Brian Hill (12 GP, 145 att., 796 yds., 5.5 avg./rush, 7 TDs)  
Receiver: Tanner Gentry (12 GP, 32 rec., 435 yds., 13.6 avg./rec., 2 TDs)  
Tackler: Eddie Yarbrough (12 GP, 63 tackles, 10.5 TFL, 4.0 sacks, 1 FF, 1 FR)

**WHAT TO WATCH FOR**

- Wyoming has won nine of its last 10 home openers, with the lone loss coming against Toledo (34-31) on Sept. 8, 2012.
- As a member of the Mountain West, Wyoming has compiled a 12-1 record against FCS opponents. Its only loss came against Cal Poly in 2012 (24-22).
- The Cowboys have lost seven of their last eight contests, and their last victory was on the road at Fresno State on Nov. 1, 2014 (45-17).
- The Cowboys may have only averaged 153.2 rushing yards per game in 2014, but they return two dangerous RBs in sophomore **Brian Hill** and senior **Shaun Wick**. Hill rushed for 796 yards last season, while Wick ran for 753. Hill demonstrated his big-play ability at Fresno State when he became only the fifth player in NCAA history to rush for at least 200 yards and have at least 100 receiving yards in a single game.
- Senior DE **Eddie Yarbrough** earned first team All-MW honors for the second consecutive year in 2014. Yarbrough racked up 63 tackles, including 10.5 tackles for loss and four sacks. Entering 2015, he has been named to the MW's preseason All-Conference team.
- Wyoming QB **Cameron Coffman** transferred to Wyoming after two years at Indiana, where he threw for 2,763 yards, 15 TDs and 11 INTs. As a sophomore in 2012, he finished third on Indiana's single-season lists in completion percentage and fourth in passing yards, completions and attempts.
- Coffman is the only QB on Wyoming's roster that has thrown a pass at the D-I level. QBs **Josh Allen** and **Aaron Young** have experience at the JuCo level. Junior **Tom Thornton** completed 4-of-10 passes for 50 yards in 2014, but moved to wide receiver during the spring.
- The last time North Dakota defeated a current FBS team was in 1981 when it beat Nevada, 17-11.
- North Dakota had the fifth-best rush defense in the FCS last season, allowing only 102.5 yards per contest. Seven of its 12 opponents were held to under 95 rushing yards last season, including a season-best performance at Northern Colorado allowing only 18 rushing yards.



## 2015 MOUNTAIN WEST FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

The 2015 Mountain West Football Championship game will kick off at 4:30 p.m. PT/5:30 p.m. MT on Saturday, December 5. ESPN2 will broadcast the title match-up.

### HOST SITE DETERMINATION

**Host Determination.** The Conference Football Championship Game shall be played at the site of the divisional champion with the highest College Football Playoff (CFP) Selection Committee ranking. The site determination shall be made no later than the Sunday following the final week of regular-season games, utilizing the latest available CFP poll.

If one divisional champion was ranked ahead of the other divisional champion in the CFP Selection Committee ranking and wins in the final weekend of the regular season, they will be declared the host. If, in that same scenario, the divisional champion that was the highest-ranked in the CFP poll loses in the final weekend of the regular season, a composite of selected computer rankings following the games of November 29 will be used to determine the host.

If no Mountain West teams are ranked in the latest available CFP Selection Committee poll, a composite of selected computer rankings following the games of November 28 will be used to determine the host.

**Host Tie Breaker.** In the event of a tie in the latest CFP Selection Committee ranking or the composite of selected computer rankings, the following comparison procedure shall be used (in order as necessary) to determine the site of the game:

- If one team was the winner of a Conference game between the two teams, it shall be the Championship Game host.
- If a tie still exists, winning percentage against common Conference opponents shall determine the Championship Game host.
- If a tie still exists, winning percentage against the next highest-placed common opponent in the Conference based upon (in order): 1. order of finish in the respective divisions, 2. record in all Conference games, and 3. most recent composite of selected computer rankings, proceeding through the Conference, will break the tie.
- Coin toss.

**Divisional Champions.** A divisional champion shall be the team with the highest winning percentage in all Conference games, both inter-divisional and intra-divisional, in the division. (Adopted January 2013)

- Tie Games. A tie football game shall count as half-a-game won and half-a-game lost in the standings

[Note: A team ineligible under NCAA or Mountain West rules for post-season (bowl) competition shall not compete in the Championship Game.]

### DIVISIONAL TIEBREAKERS

**Tie Between Two Teams.** In the event of a percentage tie for a divisional championship between two teams, if one team was the winner of the Conference game between the two teams, it shall be the divisional champion.

If no game was played between the two tied teams, or that game ended in a tie, the following comparison procedure shall be used to break the tie:

- Winning percentage in games played within the division.
- Winning percentage against the next highest-placed team in the division (based upon the team's record in all games played in the Conference), proceeding through the division.
- Winning percentage against common Conference opponents.
- Highest CFP ranking (or the composite of selected computer rankings if neither team is ranked in the CFP rankings) following the final week of Conference regular-season games.
- Overall winning percentage against FBS opponents.
- Coin toss.

### Tie Between More Than Two Teams:

In the event of a percentage tie for a divisional championship between more than two teams, the following comparison procedure shall be used to eliminate all but two tied teams, at which point the two-team tie-breaking procedure shall be used:

- Winning percentage in games played among the tied teams.
- Winning percentage in games played against division opponents.
- Winning percentage against the next highest-placed team in the division (based upon the team's record in all games played in the Conference), proceeding through the division.
- Winning percentage against common Conference opponents.
- Highest CFP ranking (or the composite of selected computer rankings if neither team is ranked in the CFP rankings) following the final week of Conference regular-season games

### 2015 MW FOOTBALL PREDICTED ORDER OF FINISH

MOUNTAIN DIVISION			WEST DIVISION		
Rk.	Team (first place votes)	Points	Rk.	Team (first place votes)	Points
1.	Boise State (28)	177	1.	San Diego State (27)	177
2.	Utah State (2)	150	2.	Fresno State (3)	141
3.	Colorado State	108	3.	Nevada	113
4.	Air Force	90	4.	San José State	91
5.	Wyoming	64	5.	Hawai'i	70
6.	New Mexico	41	6.	UNLV	38

### A LOOK AT THE PRESEASON PREDICTIONS

Since the Mountain West began play in 1999, only seven teams chosen by the league media to win the Conference crown have actually done so, and only twice has the title been shared by multiple teams.

Below is a look at how the preseason poll favorite has fared in regular-season play.

Year	Predicted Champion	Predicted Champion Finish	Actual Champion	Bowl Game
2014	BSU (M) / FS (W)	BSU (1st M)/FS (T-1st W)	BSU	Fiesta
2013*	BSU (M)/FS (W)	BSU (2nd M)/FS (1st W)	FS	Las Vegas
2012	BSU	T-1st	BSU/FS/SDSU	Las Vegas
2011	BSU	2nd	TCU	Las Vegas
2010	TCU	1st	TCU	Rose
2009	TCU	1st	TCU	Fiesta
2008	BYU	3rd	Utah	Las Vegas
2007	TCU	5th	BYU	Las Vegas
2006	TCU	2nd	BYU	Las Vegas
2005	Utah	T-5th	TCU	Houston
2004	Utah	1st	Utah	Fiesta
2003	CSU	3rd	Utah	San Francisco
2002	CSU	1st	CSU	Liberty
2001	CSU	2nd	BYU	New Orleans
2000	Utah	T-5th	CSU	None
1999	BYU	T-1st	BYU/CSU/Utah	Motor City

\*First season of MW divisional play and Championship Game



**MW BOWL SYNOPSIS**

The number of postseason appearances for the Mountain West will be driven by on-the-field performance, starting with the opportunity to play in the national semifinals or another New Year's Day bowl game as part of the College Football Playoff arrangement. The highest-rated champion from among the five non-contracted conferences (American, C-USA, MAC, MW, Sun Belt, or chosen by the playoff selection committee) is guaranteed a slot in the system. In the 16 seasons since the league's inception, the Mountain West's champion or a current MW member has secured that position 12 times, placing teams in the Fiesta (3), Rose and Sugar (2) Bowls during that period.



The MW also has agreements with six (6) different bowl games that in any given year will generate as many as six (6) postseason opportunities for its member institutions. These include primary positions in some or all years with the Lockheed Martin Armed Forces Bowl, Famous Idaho Potato Bowl, Gildan New Mexico Bowl, Royal Purple Las Vegas Bowl, San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl and Hawai'i Bowl - and a secondary position with the Cactus Bowl.

The Mountain West will collaborate with the bowl partners to place all eligible teams with consideration given to matchup, geography and historical considerations (e.g., last time a team participated in any bowl or a particular bowl). NOTE: The MW is the primary backup for the Ticket City Cactus Bowl if the Big 12 or Pac-12 does not fill.

**ABOUT THE COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF**

In its second season, the College Football Playoff format remains unchanged: top four teams, two semifinals played in bowl games, and the national championship game played in a different city every year. Each semifinal will be played during the New Year's holiday with the national championship game in prime time on a Monday night at least a week later.

**THE SELECTION COMMITTEE**

A selection committee will choose the four teams for the playoff based on their performances during the regular season, including strength of schedule, head-to-head results, championships won, and other factors. The teams will be seeded so that #1 will play #4 in one semifinal and #2 will meet #3 in the other, with the winners advancing to the national championship game.

**THE ROTATION**

The semifinals will rotate among six different bowls, extending the experience to more fans. In the years when the bowls are not hosting semifinals, the bowls will feature eight other teams in four compelling matchups.

2015-16 COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SCHEDULE	
<b>ORANGE</b>	Semifinal (Dec. 31)
<b>COTTON</b>	Semifinal (Dec. 31)
<b>PEACH</b>	Peach (Dec. 31)
<b>FIESTA</b>	Fiesta (Jan. 1)
<b>SUGAR</b>	Sugar (Jan. 1)
<b>ROSE</b>	Rose (Jan. 1)
<b>CHAMPIONSHIP</b>	Glendale, Ariz. (Jan. 11)



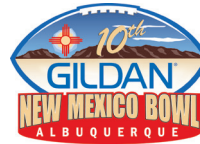
**ROYAL PURPLE LAS VEGAS BOWL**

**Date**.....Saturday, December 19, 2015  
**Time**.....12:30 p.m. PT  
**Stadium**..... Sam Boyd Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 36,800  
**City**..... Las Vegas, Nev.  
**Network**..... ABC  
**Opponent**..... Pac-12 Selection  
**2014 game**..... Utah 45, Colorado State 10  
**Website**..... LVBowl.com  
**Executive Director**..... John Saccenti  
**Manager, Media Relations**..... Mark Wallington  
**Phone**..... (702) 732-3912  
**Fax**..... (702) 732-4481  
**Mailing Address**..... 2140 East Pebble Road,  
 Suite 200  
 Las Vegas, NV 89123



**SAN DIEGO COUNTY CREDIT UNION POINSETTIA BOWL**

**Date**..... Wednesday, December 23, 2015  
**Time**..... 6 p.m. PT  
**Stadium**..... Qualcomm Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 66,000  
**City**..... San Diego, Calif.  
**Network**..... ESPN  
**Opponent**..... Army  
**2014 game**..... Navy 17, San Diego State 16  
**Website**..... SanDiegoBowlGames.com  
**Executive Director**..... Mark Neville  
**Director, Communications/Marketing**..... Susan Reid  
**Phone**..... (619) 285-5061  
**Fax**..... (619) 281-7947  
**Mailing Address**..... P.O. Box 601400  
 San Diego, CA 92160



**GILDAN NEW MEXICO BOWL**

**Date**..... Saturday, December 19, 2015  
**Time**..... 12 p.m. MT  
**Stadium**..... University Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 37,235  
**City**..... Albuquerque, N.M.  
**Network**..... ESPN  
**Opponent**..... Conference USA Selection  
**2014 game**..... Utah State 21, UTEP 6  
**Website**..... GildanNewMexicoBowl.com  
**Executive Director**..... Jeff Siembieda  
**Media Relations Director**..... RaeAnn McKernan  
**Phone**..... (505) 925-5999  
**Fax**..... (505) 272-7131  
**Mailing Address**..... 801 University Blvd., SE,  
 Suite 104  
 Albuquerque, NM 87106



**HAWAI'I BOWL**

**Date**..... Thursday, December 24, 2015  
**Time**..... 2 p.m. HT  
**Stadium**..... Aloha Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 50,000  
**City**..... Honolulu, Hawai'i  
**Network**..... ESPN  
**Opponent**..... BYU/American Selection  
**2014 game**..... Rice 30, Fresno State 6  
**Website**..... HawaiiBowl.ESPNEvents.com  
**Executive Director**..... Daryl Garvin  
**Coordinator, Media Relations**..... Derek Inouchi  
**Phone**..... (808) 523-3688  
**Fax**..... (808) 523-3712  
**Mailing Address**..... 841 Bishop Street,  
 Suite 2100  
 Honolulu, HI 96813



**FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO BOWL**

**Date**..... Tuesday, December 22, 2015  
**Time**..... 1:30 p.m. MT  
**Stadium**..... Albertsons Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 36,387  
**City**..... Boise, Idaho  
**Network**..... ESPN  
**Opponent**..... MAC Selection  
**2014 game**..... Air Force 38, Western Michigan 24  
**Website**..... FamousIdahoPotatoBowl.com  
**Executive Director**..... Kevin McDonald  
**Media Relations Contact**..... Michelle Smith  
**Phone**..... (208) 424-1011  
**Fax**..... (208) 424-1121  
**Mailing Address**..... 1109 W. Main St., Suite 310  
 Boise, ID 83702



**LOCKHEED MARTIN ARMED FORCES BOWL**

**Date**..... Tuesday, December 29, 2015  
**Time**..... 1 p.m. CT  
**Stadium**..... Amon G. Carter Stadium  
**Stadium Capacity**..... 50,000  
**City**..... Fort Worth, Texas  
**Network**..... ESPN  
**Opponent**..... Big Ten Selections  
**2014-15 game**..... Houston 35, Pittsburgh 34  
**Website**..... ArmedForcesBowl.com  
**Executive Director**..... Brant Ringler  
**Media Relations Contact**..... Dominic Clark  
**Phone**..... (817) 810-0012  
**Fax**..... (817) 810-0252  
**Mailing Address**..... 505 Main Street, Suite 270  
 Fort Worth, TX 76102





## 2015 NATIONAL BOWL SCHEDULE

DATE	BOWL	SITE	TIE-INS	TIME	NETWORK	2014-15 RESULT
Sat., Dec. 19	AutoNation Cure	Orlando, Fla.	American vs. Sun Belt	12 p.m. ET	CBSSN	-
Sat., Dec. 19	Gildan New Mexico	Albuquerque, N.M.	C-USA vs. MW	2 p.m. ET	ESPN	Utah State 21, UTEP 6
Sat., Dec. 19	Royal Purple Las Vegas	Las Vegas, Nev.	Pac-12 vs. MW or BYU	3:30 p.m. ET	ABC	Utah 45, Colorado State 10
Sat., Dec. 19	Raycom Media Camellia	Montgomery, Ala.	MAC vs. Sun Belt	5:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Bowling Green 33, South Alabama 28
Sat., Dec. 19	R+L Carriers New Orleans	New Orleans, La.	C-USA vs. Sun Belt	9 p.m. ET	ESPN	LA-Lafayette 16, Nevada 3
Mon., Dec. 21	Miami Beach	Miami, Fla.	C-USA vs. American	2:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Memphis 55, BYU 48
Tues., Dec. 22	Famous Idaho Potato	Boise, Idaho	MAC vs. MW	3:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Air Force 38, W. Michigan 24
Tues., Dec. 22	Boca Raton	Boca Raton, Fla.	MAC vs. American	7 p.m. ET	ESPN	Marshall 52, N. Illinois 23
Wed., Dec. 23	San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia	San Diego, Calif.	MW vs. Army	4:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Navy 17, San Diego State 16
Wed., Dec. 23	GoDaddy	Mobile, Ala.	MAC vs. Sun Belt	8 p.m. ET	ESPN	Toledo 63, Arkansas State 44
Thurs., Dec. 24	Popeyes Bahamas	Nassau, Bahamas	C-USA vs. MAC	12 p.m. ET	ESPN	W. Kentucky 49, Cent. Michigan 48
Thurs., Dec. 24	Hawai'i	Honolulu, Hawai'i	American vs. MW or BYU	8 p.m. ET	ESPN	Rice 30, Fresno State 6
Sat., Dec. 26	St. Petersburg	St. Petersburg, Fla.	American vs. ACC	11 a.m. ET	ESPN	NC State 34, UCF 27
Sat., Dec. 26	Hyundai Sun	El Paso, Texas	ACC/Notre Dame vs. Pac-12	2 p.m. ET	CBS	Arizona State 36, Duke 31
Sat., Dec. 26	Zaxby's Heart of Dallas	Dallas, Texas	Big 12 vs. C-USA	2:20 p.m. ET	ESPN	LA Tech 35, Illinois 18
Sat., Dec. 26	New Era Pinstripe	Bronx, N.Y.	ACC/Notre Dame vs. Big Ten	3:30 p.m. ET	ABC	Penn State 31, Boston College 30
Sat., Dec. 26	Independence	Shreveport, La.	ACC/Notre Dame vs. SEC	5:45 p.m. ET	ESPN	South Carolina 24, Miami (FL) 21
Sat., Dec. 26	Foster Farms	Santa Clara, Calif.	Big Ten vs. Pac-12	9:15 p.m. ET	ESPN	Stanford 45, Maryland 21
Mon., Dec. 28	Military presented By Northrop Grumman	Annapolis, Md.	ACC/Notre Dame vs. American	2:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Virginia Tech 33, Cincinnati 17
Mon., Dec. 28	Quick Lane	Detroit, Mich.	ACC/Notre Dame vs. Big Ten	5 p.m. ET	ESPN2	Rutgers 40, UNC 21
Tues., Dec. 29	Lockheed Martin Armed Forces	Fort Worth, Texas	Big Ten vs. MW	2 p.m. ET	ESPN	Houston 35, Pittsburgh 34
Tues., Dec. 29	Russell Athletic	Orlando, Fla.	ACC/ND vs. Big 12	5:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Clemson 40, Oklahoma 6
Tues., Dec. 29	AdvoCare V100 Texas	Houston, Texas	Big 12 vs. SEC	9 p.m. ET	ESPN	Arkansas 31, Texas 7
Wed., Dec. 30	Birmingham	Birmingham, Ala.	SEC vs. American	12 p.m. ET	ESPN	Florida 28, ECU 20
Wed., Dec. 30	Belk	Charlotte, N.C.	SEC vs. ACC/Notre Dame	3:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Georgia 37, Louisville 14
Wed., Dec. 30	Franklin American Mortgage Music City	Nashville, Tenn.	SEC vs. ACC/ND/Big Ten	7 p.m. ET	ESPN	Notre Dame 31, LSU 28
Wed., Dec. 30	National University Holiday	San Diego, Calif.	Big Ten vs. Pac-12	10:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	USC 45, Nebraska 42
Thurs., Dec. 31	Chick-fil-A Peach	Atlanta, Ga.	At-Large vs. At-Large	12 p.m. ET	ESPN	TCU 42, Ole Miss 3
Thurs., Dec. 31	Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic*	Arlington, Texas	N/A	TBD	ESPN	Michigan State 42, Baylor 41
Thurs., Dec. 31	Capital One Orange Bowl*	Miami Gardens, Fla.	N/A	TBD	ESPN	Georgia Tech 49, Miss State 34
Fri., Jan. 1	Outback Bowl	Tampa, Fla.	Big Ten vs. SEC	12 p.m. ET	ESPN2	Wisconsin 34, Auburn 31
Fri., Jan. 1	Fiesta Bowl	Glendale, Ariz.	CFP vs. NY6	1 p.m. ET	ESPN	Boise State 38, Arizona 30
Fri., Jan. 1	Buffalo Wild Wings Citrus	Orlando, Fla.	Big Ten/ACC vs. SEC	1 p.m. ET	ABC	Missouri 33, Minnesota 17
Fri., Jan. 1	Rose Bowl Game	Pasadena, Calif.	Big Ten vs. Pac-12	5 p.m. ET	ESPN	Oregon 59, Florida State 20
Fri., Jan. 1	Allstate Sugar	New Orleans, La.	Big 12 vs. SEC	8:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Ohio State 42, Alabama 35
Sat., Jan. 2	TaxSlayer	Jacksonville, Fla.	ACC/ND/Big Ten vs. SEC	12 p.m. ET	ESPN	Tennessee 45, Iowa 28
Sat., Jan. 2	AutoZone Liberty	Memphis, Tenn.	Big 12 vs. SEC	3:20 p.m. ET	ESPN	Texas A&M 45, West Virginia 37
Sat., Jan. 2	Valero Alamo	San Antonio, Texas	Big 12 vs. Pac-12	6:45 p.m. ET	ESPN	UCLA 40, Kansas State 35
Sat., Jan. 2	Cactus	Phoenix, Ariz.	Big 12 vs. Pac-12	10:15 p.m. ET	ESPN	Oklahoma State 30, Washington 22
Mon., Jan. 11	College Football Championship	Glendale, Ariz.	N/A	8:30 p.m. ET	ESPN	Ohio State 42, Oregon 20

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## 2015 MOUNTAIN WEST FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP GAME



The 2015 Mountain West Football Championship game will kick off at 4:30 p.m. PT/5:30 p.m. MT on Saturday, December 5. The contest will be hosted at the home stadium of the regular-season Mountain West divisional champion with the highest College Football Playoff committee ranking. ESPN2 will broadcast the match-up.

### A LOOK AT THE PRESEASON PREDICTIONS

Since the Mountain West began play in 1999, only seven teams chosen by the league media to win the Conference crown have actually done so, and only twice has the title been shared by multiple teams. Below is a look at how the preseason poll favorite has fared in regular-season play.

Year	Predicted Champion	Predicted Champion Finish	Actual Champion	Bowl Game
2014	BSU (M) / FS (W)	BSU (1st M) / FS (T-1st W)	BSU	Fiesta
2013*	BSU (M) / FS (W)	BSU (2nd M)/FS (1st W)	FS	Las Vegas
2012	BSU	T-1st	BSU/FS/SDSU	Las Vegas
2011	BSU	2nd	TCU	Las Vegas
2010	TCU	1st	TCU	Rose
2009	TCU	1st	TCU	Fiesta
2008	BYU	3rd	Utah	Las Vegas
2007	TCU	5th	BYU	Las Vegas
2006	TCU	2nd	BYU	Las Vegas
2005	Utah	T-5th	TCU	Houston
2004	Utah	1st	Utah	Fiesta
2003	CSU	3rd	Utah	San Francisco
2002	CSU	1st	CSU	Liberty
2001	CSU	2nd	BYU	New Orleans
2000	Utah	T-5th	CSU	None
1999	BYU	T-1st	BYU/CSU/Utah	Motor City

\*First season of MW divisional play and Championship Game

### QUICK FACTS

**Date:** . . . . Sat., Dec. 5, 2015  
**Time:** . . . . 4:30 p.m. PT / 5:30 p.m. MT  
**TV:** . . . . ESPN2  
**Site:** . . . . Home stadium of the regular-season divisional champion with the highest CFP committee ranking.  
**Mountain:** . Air Force, Boise State, Colorado State, New Mexico, Utah State, Wyoming  
**West:** . . . . Fresno State, Hawai'i, Nevada, San Diego State, San José State, UNLV



## 2015 MW FOOTBALL COMPOSITE SCHEDULE AND RESULTS

Thursday, September 3	TV	TIME
Southern Utah at Utah State		7 p.m. MT
Abilene Christian at Fresno State	MWN-Campus Insiders	7 p.m. PT
UC Davis at Nevada	MWN-Institutional	7 p.m. PT
New Hampshire at San José State		7 p.m. PT
Colorado at Hawai'i	CBS Sports Network	7 p.m. HT

Friday, September 4	TV	TIME
Washington at Boise State	ESPN	8:15 p.m. MT

Saturday, September 5	TV	TIME
Morgan State at Air Force	ROOT SPORTS	1:30 p.m. MT
Savannah State at Colorado State	MWN-Institutional	2 p.m. MT
North Dakota at Wyoming		2 p.m. MT
San Diego at San Diego State	MWN-Campus Insiders	5 p.m. PT
Mississippi Valley State at New Mexico	TBD	6 p.m. MT
UNLV at Northern Illinois	CBS Sports Network	6:30 p.m. CT

Friday, September 11	TV	TIME
Utah State at Utah	ESPN2	7 p.m.

Saturday, September 12	TV	TIME
Minnesota at Colorado State	CBS Sports Network	1:30 p.m. MT
Eastern Michigan at Wyoming	ROOT SPORTS	2 p.m. MT
San Diego State at California	Pac-12 Networks	2 p.m. PT
Fresno State at Mississippi	ESPN2 or ESPNU	2:30 p.m. CT
Hawai'i at Ohio State	Big Ten Network	3:30 p.m. ET
Arizona at Nevada	CBS Sports Network	4 p.m. PT
Tulsa at New Mexico	ESPN3	6 p.m. MT
UCLA at UNLV	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Boise State at BYU	ESPN2	8:15 p.m. MT
San José State at Air Force*	ESPNU	8:15 p.m. MT

Friday, September 18	TV	TIME
Idaho State at Boise State	CBS Sports Network	7 p.m. MT
New Mexico at Arizona State	Pac-12 Networks	7 p.m. PT

Saturday, September 19	TV	TIME
Nevada at Texas A&M	SEC Network	11 a.m. CT
Air Force at Michigan State	ABC, ESPN or ESPN2	Noon ET
UNLV at Michigan	Big Ten Network	Noon ET
Colorado State vs. Colorado%	CBS Sports Network	5 p.m. MT
South Alabama at San Diego State	MWN-Campus Insiders	5 p.m. PT
San José State at Oregon State	Pac-12 Networks	5 p.m. PT
Wyoming at Washington State	Pac-12 Networks	5:30 p.m. PT
Utah State at Washington	Pac-12 Networks	7 p.m. PT
Utah at Fresno State	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
UC Davis at Hawai'i	Oceanic	6 p.m. HT

Friday, September 25	TV	TIME
Boise State at Virginia	ESPN	8 p.m. ET

Saturday, September 26	TV	TIME
New Mexico at Wyoming*	ROOT SPORTS	1 p.m. MT
Colorado State at UTSA	CBS Sports Network	6 p.m. CT
UNLV at Idaho State	MWN-Institutional	6 p.m. PT
Hawai'i at Wisconsin	Big Ten Network	7 p.m. CT
Fresno State at San José State*	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Nevada at Buffalo	TBD	TBA
San Diego State at Penn State	TBD	TBA

Saturday, October 3	TV	TIME
UNLV at Nevada*	MWN-Campus Insiders	4 p.m. PT
New Mexico State at New Mexico	ROOT SPORTS	6 p.m. MT
Air Force at Navy	CBS Sports Network	3:30 p.m. ET
Fresno State at San Diego State*	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Hawai'i at Boise State*	ESPN Networks	TBA
Colorado State at Utah State*	ESPN Networks	TBA
San José State at Auburn	TBD	TBA
Wyoming at Appalachian State	TBD	TBA

Saturday, October 10	TV	TIME
New Mexico at Nevada*	MWN-Campus Insiders	4 p.m. PT
Boise State at Colorado State*	CBS Sports Network	5 p.m. MT
San José State at UNLV*	MWN-Campus Insiders	6 p.m. PT
San Diego State at Hawai'i*	Oceanic	6 p.m. HT
Utah State at Fresno State*	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Wyoming at Air Force*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Friday, October 16	TV	TIME
Boise State at Utah State*	CBS Sports Network	7 p.m. MT
UNLV at Fresno State*	ESPN2	7:30 p.m. PT

Saturday, October 17	TV	TIME
Air Force at Colorado State*	CBS Sports Network	1:30 p.m. MT
Hawai'i at New Mexico*	ROOT SPORTS	5 P.M. MT
Nevada at Wyoming*	ESPN Networks	TBA
San Diego State at San José State*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Friday, October 23	TV	TIME
Utah State at San Diego State*	ESPN2	7:30 p.m. PT

Saturday, October 24	TV	TIME
Hawai'i at Nevada*	Oceanic	1 p.m. PT
New Mexico at San José State*	ROOT SPORTS	4 p.m. PT
Fresno State at Air Force*	ESPN Networks	TBA
Wyoming at Boise State*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Friday, October 30	TV	TIME
Wyoming at Utah State*	ESPN2	8:30 p.m. MT

Saturday, October 31	TV	TIME
San Diego State at Colorado State*	CBS Sports Network	1:30 p.m. MT
Air Force at Hawai'i*	CBS Sports Network	4:30 p.m. HT
Boise State at UNLV*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Thursday, November 5	TV	TIME
Nevada at Fresno State*	ESPN2	7:30 p.m. PT

Friday, November 6	TV	TIME
BYU at San José State	CBS Sports Network	8:30 p.m. PT

Saturday, November 7	TV	TIME
Utah State at New Mexico*	CBS Sports Network	1:30 p.m. MT
Hawai'i at UNLV*	Oceanic	3 p.m. PT
Army at Air Force	ESPN Networks	TBA
Colorado State at Wyoming*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Saturday, November 14	TV	TIME
San José State at Nevada*	MWN-Campus Insiders	1 p.m. PT
UNLV at Colorado State*	ROOT SPORTS	5 p.m. MT
Fresno State at Hawai'i*	Oceanic	6 p.m. HT
Wyoming at San Diego State*	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Utah State at Air Force*	ESPN Networks	TBA
New Mexico at Boise State*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Friday, November 20	TV	TIME
Air Force at Boise State*	ESPN2	7:30 p.m. MT

Saturday, November 21	TV	TIME
Colorado State at New Mexico*	ROOT SPORTS	5 p.m. MT
San José State at Hawai'i*	Oceanic	6 p.m. HT
San Diego State at UNLV*	CBS Sports Network	7:30 p.m. PT
Nevada at Utah State*	ESPN Networks	TBA
Fresno State at BYU	TBD	TBA

Friday, November 27	TV	TIME
Boise State at San José State*	CBS Sports Network	12:30 p.m. PT

Saturday, November 28	TV	TIME
UNLV at Wyoming*	ROOT SPORTS	Noon MT
BYU at Utah State	CBS Sports Network	1:30 p.m. MT
Colorado State at Fresno State*	CBS Sports Network	6 p.m. PT
Louisiana-Monroe at Hawai'i	Oceanic	6 p.m. HT
Air Force at New Mexico*	ESPN Networks	TBA
Nevada at San Diego State*	ESPN Networks	TBA

Saturday, December 5	TV	TIME
MW Football Championship Game+	ESPN2	5:30 p.m. MT

% Sports Authority Field (Denver, Colo.) / \*Mountain West game +The Mountain West Football Championship Game will be played at the home stadium of the highest-ranked of the two divisional champions. All dates and times are local to site and are subject to change. The broadcast outlets for those games listed as TBD are still being determined.



2015 TEAM-BY-TEAM SCHEDULES AND RESULTS: MOUNTAIN DIVISION



**AIR FORCE FALCONS**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	MORGAN STATE (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	1:30 P.M.		
S12	SAN JOSE STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	8:15 P.M.		
S19	at Michigan State (ABC/ESPN/ESPN2)	12 PM		
O3	at Navy (CBSSN)	3:30 p.m.		
O10	WYOMING* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O17	at Colorado State* (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		
O24	FRESNO STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O31	at Hawai'i* (CBSSN)	4:30 P.M.		
N7	ARMY (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N14	UTAH STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N20	at Boise State* (ESPN2)	7:30 P.M.		
N28	at New Mexico* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		



**BOISE STATE BRONCOS**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S4	WASHINGTON (ESPN)	8:15 P.M.		
S12	at BYU (ESPN NETWORKS)	8:15 P.M.		
S18	IDAHO STATE (CBSSN)	7 P.M.		
S25	at Virginia (ESPN)	8 P.M.		
O3	HAWAI'I* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O10	at Colorado State* (CBSSN)	5 P.M.		
O16	at Utah State* (CBSSN)	7 P.M.		
O17	FRESNO STATE* (ESPN)	6 P.M.		
O24	WYOMING* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O31	at UNLV* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N14	NEW MEXICO* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N20	AIR FORCE* (ESPN2)	7:30 P.M.		
N27	at San Jose State* (CBSSN)	12:30 P.M.		



**COLORADO STATE RAMS**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	SAVANNAH STATE (MWN-INSTITUTIONAL)	2 P.M.		
S12	MINNESTOA (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		
S19	COLORADO% (CBSSN)	5 P.M.		
S26	at USTA (CBSSN)	6 p.m.		
O3	at Utah State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O10	BOISE STATE* (CBSSN)	5 P.M.		
O17	AIR FORCE* (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		
O31	SAN DIEGO STATE* (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		
N7	at Wyoming* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N14	UNLV* (ROOT SPORTS)	5 P.M.		
N21	at New Mexico* (ROOT SPORTS)	3:30 p.m.		
N28	at Fresno State* (CBSSN)	6 p.m.		



**NEW MEXICO LOBOS**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE	6 P.M.		
S12	TULSA (ESPN3)	6 P.M.		
S18	at Arizona State (PAC-12 NETWORKS)	7 p.m.		
S26	at Wyoming* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	1 p.m.		
O3	NEW MEXICO STATE (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	6 P.M.		
O10	at Nevada* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	5 p.m.		
O17	HAWAI'I* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	5 P.M.		
O24	at San José State* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	5 p.m.		
N7	UTAH STATE* (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		
N14	at Boise State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N21	COLORADO STATE* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	3:30 P.M.		
N28	AIR FORCE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		



**UTAH STATE AGGIES**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S3	SOUTHERN UTAH	7 P.M.		
S11	at Utah (ESPN2)	7 p.m.		
S19	at Washington (PAC-12 NETWORKS)	7 p.m.		
O3	COLORADO STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O10	at Fresno State* (CBSSN)	7:30 p.m.		
O16	BOISE STATE* (CBSSN)	7 P.M.		
O23	at San Diego State* (ESPN2)	7:30 p.m.		
O30	WYOMING* (ESPN2)	8:15 P.M.		
N7	at New Mexico* (CBSSN)	1:30 p.m.		
N14	at Air Force* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N21	NEVADA* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N28	BYU (CBSSN)	1:30 P.M.		



**WYOMING COWBOYS**  
(O-O OVERALL, O-O MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	NORTH DAKOTA	2 P.M.		
S12	EASTERN MICHIGAN (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	2 P.M.		
S19	at Washington State (PAC-12 NETWORKS)	5:30 p.m.		
S26	NEW MEXICO* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	1 P.M.		
O3	at Appalachian State (TBD)	TBD		
O10	at Air Force* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O17	NEVADA* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O24	at Boise State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O30	at Utah State* (ESPN2)	8:15 p.m.		
N7	COLORADO STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N14	at San Diego State* (CBSSN)	7:30 p.m.		
N28	UNLV* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	12 P.M.		

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**FRESNO STATE BULLDOGS**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S3	ABILENE CHRISTIAN (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	7 P.M.		
S12	at 15/ Mississippi (ESPN2 or ESPNU)	2:30 p.m.		
S19	UTAH (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
S26	at San José State* (CBSSN)	7:30 p.m.		
O3	at San Diego State* (CBSSN)	7:30 p.m.		
O10	UTAH STATE* (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
O16	UNLV* (ESPN2)	7:30 P.M.		
O24	at Air Force* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N5	NEVADA* (ESPN2)	7:30 P.M.		
N14	at Hawai'i* (MWN/OCEANIC)	8 p.m.		
N21	at BYU (TBD)	TBD		
N28	COLORADO STATE* (CBSSN)	6 P.M.		



**HAWAI'I RAINBOW WARRIORS**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S3	COLORADO (CBSSN)	7 P.M.		
S12	at Ohio State (BIG TEN NETWORK)	3:30 P.M.		
S19	UC DAVIS (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 P.M.		
S26	at Wisconsin (BIG TEN NETWORK)	7 p.m.		
O3	at Boise State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O10	SAN DIEGO STATE* (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 P.M.		
O17	at New Mexico* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	5 p.m.		
O24	at Nevada* (MWN/OCEANIC)	1 p.m.		
O31	AIR FORCE* (CBSSN)	4:30 P.M.		
N7	at UNLV* (MWN/OCEANIC)	3 p.m.		
N14	FRESNO STATE* (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 P.M.		
N21	SAN JOSE STATE* (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 P.M.		
N28	LOUISIANA-MONROE (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 P.M.		



**NEVADA WOLF PACK**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S3	UC DAVIS (MWN-INSTITUTIONAL)	7 P.M.		
S12	ARIZONA (CBSSN)	4 P.M.		
S19	at Texas A&M (SEC NETWORK)	11 a.m.		
S26	at Buffalo (TBD)	TBD		
O3	UNLV* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	4 P.M.		
O10	NEW MEXICO* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	4 P.M.		
O17	at Wyoming* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O24	HAWAI'I (MWN-INSTITUTIONAL)	1 P.M.		
N5	at Fresno State* (ESPN2)	7:30 p.m.		
N14	SAN JOSÉ STATE* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	1 P.M.		
N21	at Utah State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N28	at San Diego State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		



**SAN DIEGO STATE AZTECS**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	SAN DIEGO (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	5 P.M.		
S12	at California (PAC-12 Networks)	2 p.m.		
S19	SOUTH ALABAMA (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	5 P.M.		
S26	at Penn State (TBD)	TBD		
O3	FRESNO STATE* (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
O10	at Hawai'i* (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 p.m.		
O17	at San José State* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O23	UTAH STATE* (ESPN2)	7:30 P.M.		
O31	at Colorado State* (CBSSN)	1:30 p.m.		
N14	WYOMING* (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
N21	at UNLV* (CBSSN)	7:30 p.m.		
N28	NEVADA (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBA		



**SAN JOSÉ STATE SPARTANS**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S3	NEW HAMPSHIRE	7 P.M.		
S12	at Air Force* (ESPNU)	8:15 p.m.		
S19	at Oregon State (PAC-12 NETWORKS)	5 p.m.		
S26	FRESNO STATE* (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
O3	at Auburn (TBD)	TBD		
O10	at UNLV* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	6 p.m.		
O17	SAN DIEGO STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
O24	NEW MEXICO* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	4 P.M.		
N6	BYU (CBSSN)	8:30 P.M.		
N14	at Nevada* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	1 p.m.		
N21	at Hawai'i* (MWN/OCEANIC)	6 p.m.		
N27	BOISE STATE* (CBSSN)	12:30 P.M.		



**UNLV REBELS**  
(0-0 OVERALL, 0-0 MW)

Date	Opponent (TV/Web)	Time	Score	Attendance
S5	at Northern Illinois (CBSSN)	6:30 p.m.		
S12	UCLA (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
S19	at Michigan (BIG TEN NETWORK)	12 p.m.		
S26	IDAHO STATE (MWN-INSTITUTIONAL)	6 P.M.		
O3	at Nevada* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	4 p.m.		
O10	SAN JOSE STATE* (MWN-CAMPUS INSIDERS)	6 P.M.		
O16	at Fresno State* (ESPN2)	7:30 p.m.		
O31	BOISE STATE* (ESPN NETWORKS)	TBD		
N7	HAWAI'I* (MWN/OCEANIC)	3 P.M.		
N14	at Colorado State* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	5 p.m.		
N21	SAN DIEGO STATE* (CBSSN)	7:30 P.M.		
N28	at Wyoming* (ROOT SPORTS/MWN)	12 p.m.		

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