



**2011 UTSA Roadrunners Football**  
**UTSA 31, Northeastern State 3**  
**Saturday, Sept. 3**  
**Alamodome · San Antonio, Texas**  
**Postgame Notes**

**UTSA (1-0)**

- The announced attendance of 56,743 set a new modern-era NCAA record by a first-year NCAA Division I program.
- Senior S Mark Waters, sophomore LB Steven Kurfeks, sophomore QB Eric Soza and redshirt freshman WR Kam Jones served as today's game captains.
- UTSA scored on its first three possessions of the game, the best such streak against Northeastern State since North Dakota scored on all five of its first-half possessions in its meeting with the RiverHawks on Sept. 18, 2010.
- The Roadrunners registered 18 of its 23 first downs in the first half and took only four snaps on third down, converting two.
- Jones outgained the entire Northeastern State offense in the first half, catching four passes for 59 yards and a touchdown. Meanwhile, the RiverHawks recorded just 51 total yards on 24 plays.
- Five different Roadrunners caught passes in the first half, including three — Jones, redshirt freshman WR Brandon Freeman and sophomore RB CheRod Simpson — with multiple receptions.
- Soza averaged nearly a first down per carry in the opening half, rushing eight times for 72 yards (9.0 avg.) with a long of 19 yards.
- Soza became UTSA's first-ever 100-yard rusher with a 13-yard run on the Roadrunners' first drive of the fourth quarter. He finished with 102 rushing yards and a touchdown on 14 carries (7.3 avg.).
- Soza finished with 339 yards of total offense (237 pass/102 rush), which was more than Northeastern State's 307 for the game.
- Soza connected with eight different receivers, led by Freeman's five catches.
- Freshman TE David Morgan had the longest play from scrimmage with his 63-yard reception.
- Kurfeks and redshirt freshman S Nic Johnston each had eight tackles to lead the defense. Redshirt freshman CB Darrien Starling added seven, including a team-best four solo stops.
- Junior LB Brandon Reeves and redshirt freshman DT Ferrington Macon each recorded a team-best 1.5 sacks.

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**Northeastern State (1-1)**

- The first UTSA drive marked just the second time this season an opponent crossed midfield.
- Northeastern State did not record a first down until its third possession of the game (10-yard pass from Kenny Davis to Sean Donahue).
- The RiverHawks were shut out in the first quarter for the second consecutive week.
- Northeastern State mustered just 17 yards of total offense in the first quarter, its lowest total since the first quarter against West Texas A&M on Nov. 1, 2008.
- The RiverHawks advanced across the 50-yard line just twice in the first half. The first drive stalled at the UTSA 49. The second began on the Roadrunners' 45 after a 7-yard punt return by Nate Robinson. That possession ended when Drew Patton missed a 40-yard field goal attempt.
- Northeastern's 51 yards of total offense in the first half were its fewest before intermission since recording 51 against Texas A&M-Commerce on Oct. 3, 2009.
- The last time the RiverHawks were shut out in the first half came in a 55-14 setback to North Dakota on Sept. 18, 2010.
- Johnny Deaton's 35-yard pass to Jermaine Sherman was Northeastern State's longest play of the game.
- The three points scored by NSU were its fewest since getting shut out, 6-0, by Tarleton State on Sept. 5, 2009.
- Seven different RiverHawks carried the ball, but none rushed for more than 15 yards.