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The Nebraska Huskers vs...

Huskers Briefly

Record: 7-6

Big 12 Record: 3-5

Home: 6-2, Away: 1-4

Total Attendance: 963,348

Average Attendance: 74,104

Home Attendance: 622,415

Average Home Attendance: 77,802

Offense

Yards Rushing/Game: 268.9

Yards Rushing/Att.: 5.2

Passing Yards/Game: 105.3

Passing Yards/Att./Comp.: 1,369/218/98

Total Net Yards/Game: 374.2

Total Net Yards/Att.: 5.5

Points/Game: 27.7

Turnover Margin/Game: -0.08

Defense

Yards Rushing/Game: 153.9

Passing Yards/Game: 207.8

Total Net Yards/Game: 361.7

Points/Game: 23.7

General Information

Location: Lincoln, Neb., 68588-0123

Population: 225,581

Founded: 1869

Enrollment: 25,000

Football Stadium: Memorial Stadium (1923)/

Tom Osborne Field (1998)

Capacity: 73,918

Surface: FieldTurf (1999)

Nickname: Cornhuskers or Huskers

Colors: Scarlet and Cream

Conference: Big 12

Chancellor: Harvey S. Perlman, J.D.

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Nebraska Schedule and Results (7-6, 3-5 Big 12)

Date:	Opponent:	Television:	Results:	Att:	AP NU/Opp. Game	Rank NU/Opp. Current:
Aug. 24	Arizona State	ESPN	W, 48-10	77,779	10/--	--/--
Aug. 31	Troy State		W, 31-16	77,831	9/--	--/--
Sept. 7	Utah State		W, 44-13	78,176	9/--	--/--
Sept. 14	at Penn State	ABC	L, 7-40	110,753	8/--	--/10
Sept. 28	at Iowa State#	ABC	L, 14-36	51,888	20/19	--/--
Oct. 5	McNeese State		W, 38-14	77,192	--/--	--/--
Oct. 12	Missouri#	Fox Pay-per-View	W, 24-13	78,014	--/--	--/--
Oct. 19	at Oklahoma State#	Fox Regional Synd.	L, 21-24	45,017	--/--	--/--
Oct. 26	at Texas A&M#	TBS	W, 38-31	81,054	--/--	--/--
Nov. 2	Texas#	Fox Sports Net	L, 24-27	78,268	--/7	--/9
Nov. 9	Kansas#		W, 45-7	77,351	--/--	--/--
Nov. 16	at Kansas State#	Fox Regional Synd.	L, 13-49	52,221	--/11	--/6
Nov. 29	Colorado#	ABC	L, 13-28	77,804	--/13	--/14
Dec. 27	Mississippi\$	ESPN			--/--	--/--

#-Big 12 Conference game; \$-MainStay Independence Bowl

Final 2002 Big 12 Conference Standings

No.	North	Conf.	Overall	No.	South	Conf.	Overall
1.	Colorado	7-1	9-4	1.	Oklahoma+	6-2	11-2
2.	Kansas State	6-2	10-2		Texas	6-2	10-2
3.	Iowa State	4-4	7-6	3.	Texas Tech	5-3	8-5
4.	Nebraska	3-5	7-6	5.	Oklahoma State	5-3	7-5
5.	Missouri	2-6	5-7		Texas A&M	3-5	6-6
6.	Kansas	0-8	2-10	6.	Baylor	1-7	3-9

+ conference champion; Big 12 Championship Game: Oklahoma 29, Colorado 7

Husker Quick Stats

		Net					
Rushing	Gms.	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	Long	TDs
Jammal Lord, QB	13	234	1,329	5.7	102.2	57	8
Dahrran Diedrick, IB	13	166	839	5.1	64.5	53	6
David Horne, IB	8	112	586	5.2	73.2	30	7
Passing	GP	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct.	Yds	YPG	TDs	Eff. Rating
Jammal Lord, QB	13	188-88-10	46.8	1,269	97.6	11	112.18
Receiving	Gms.	No.	Yds	YPR	YPG	Long	TDs
Wilson Thomas, SE	13	27	319	11.8	24.5	28	3
Ross Pilkington, SE	13	13	277	21.3	21.3	90	1
Josh Davis, IB	12	9	62	6.9	5.2	12	0
Ben Cornelsen, SE	13	8	106	13.2	8.2	20	0
Tackles	UT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	PBU	Int.-Yds	
Philip Bland, ROV/FS	44	84	6-16	0-0	5		1-0
Demorrio Williams, WLB	36	83	6-24	1-15	3		0-0
Barrett Ruud, MLB	35	82	12-36	2-17	4		0-0
Scott Shanle, SLB	31	71	5-19	2-15	1		0-0

2002 Team Comparison

Nebraska (7-6)			Ole Miss (6-6)	
Category	Average	Natl. Rank	Average	Natl. Rank
Rushing Offense	268.92	4	97.83	110
Passing Offense	105.31	110	260.33	25
Total Offense	374.23	61	358.17	81
Scoring Offense	27.69	54	27.00	61
Rushing Defense	153.92	57	151.17	53
Passing Defense	207.77	53	195.17	35
Pass Eff. Defense	106.75	26	117.92	52
Total Defense	361.69	55	346.33	45
Scoring Defense	23.69	45	25.67	57
Net Punting	38.04	9	35.44	39
Punt Returns	16.93	3	11.66	36
Kickoff Returns	22.47	25	18.44	100
Turnover Margin	-0.08	68	+0.25	35
(Bold indicates a mark which ranks in nation's top 25)				

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The Ole Miss Rebels in the MainStay Independence Bowl

Ole Miss Schedule and Results (6-6, 3-5 SEC)

Date:	Opponent:	Television:	Results:	Att:	AP UM/Opp. Game	Rank UM/Opp. Current:
Aug. 31	Louisiana-Monroe		W, 31-3	58,151	--/--	--/--
Sept. 7	Memphis	Jefferson Pilot	W, 38-16	54,718	--/--	--/--
Sept. 14	at Texas Tech	ABC	L, 28-42	40,228	--/--	--/--
Sept. 21	Vanderbilt#	Jefferson Pilot	W, 45-38	50,427	--/--	--/--
Oct. 5	Florida#	CBS	W, 17-14	61,140	--/6	--/22
Oct. 12	Arkansas State		W, 52-17	55,204	25/--	--/--
Oct. 19	at Alabama#	CBS	L, 7-42	83,818	21/24	--/13
Oct. 26	at Arkansas#		L, 28-48	71,723	--/--	--/25
Nov. 2	Auburn#	Jefferson Pilot	L, 24-31	60,635	--/--	--/--
Nov. 9	at Georgia#	ESPN2	L, 17-31	86,520	--/7	--/4
Nov. 23	at LSU#	ESPN2	L, 13-14	91,613	--/21	--/--
Nov. 28	Mississippi State	ESPN	W, 24-12	60,245	--/--	--/--
Dec. 27	vs. Nebraska\$	ESPN			--/--	--/--

#-Southeastern Conference game; \$-MainStay Independence Bowl

Final 2002 Southeastern Conference Standings

No.	West	Conf.	Overall	No.	East	Conf.	Overall
1.	Arkansas	5-3	9-4	1.	Georgia+	7-1	12-1
	Auburn	5-3	8-4	2.	Florida	6-2	8-4
	LSU	5-3	8-4	3.	Tennessee	5-3	8-4
4.	Ole Miss	3-5	6-6	4.	South Carolina	3-5	5-7
5.	Mississippi State	0-8	3-9	5.	Vanderbilt	0-8	2-10
6.	Alabama*	6-2	10-3	6.	Kentucky*	3-5	7-5

* - Not eligible for conference title; + conference champion; SEC Title Game: Georgia 30, Arkansas 3

Rebel Quick Stats

Rushing			Net			
	Att.	Yards	YPC	YPG	Long	TDs
Ronald McClendon, RB	84	363	4.1	28.1	23	3
Robert Williams, RB	61	307	5.0	61.4	22	4
Tremaine Turner, RB	72	270	3.8	24.5	18	3
Passing						
	Att-Cmp-Int	Pct.	Yds	YPG	TDs	Eff. Rating
Eli Manning, QB	437-254-15	58.1	3,088	257.3	20	125.72
Receiving						
	No.	Yds	YPR	YPG	Long	TDs
Chris Collins, SE	49	754	15.4	62.8	79	10
Bill Flowers, SE	47	512	10.9	42.7	35	3
Mike Espy, FL	28	411	14.7	34.2	78	3
Jason Armstead, FL	24	316	13.2	26.3	28	0
Tackles						
	UT	TOT	TFL	Sacks	PBU	Int.
Eric Oliver, FS	74	118	4.0-18	1-9	4	0
Matt Grier, SS	48	70	11.0-42	3.0-25	3	5-55
Jesse Mitchell, NG	28	65	8.5-38	2.5-7	1	0
Von Hutchins, LCB	34	60	0.5-2	0.0	5	5-1

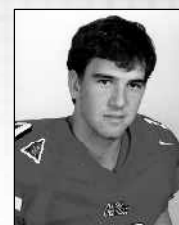
Nebraska and Ole Miss Statistical Leaders

Category	NU Player	Natl. Rank	Avg./ Game	UM Player	Natl. Rank	Avg./ Game
Rushing	Jammal Lord	33	102.23	Ronald McClendon	--	28.1
	Dahrran Diedrick	91	64.54			
Passing Efficiency	Jammal Lord	--	112.18	Eli Manning	46	125.72
Total Offense	Jammal Lord	57	199.85	Eli Manning	24	249.33
Receptions Per Game	Wilson Thomas	--	2.07	Chris Collins	85	4.08
				Bill Flowers	100	3.92
Receiving Yards Per Game	Wilson Thomas	--	24.53	Chris Collins	69	62.83
Interceptions	Fabian Washington	53	.33	Von Hutchins	27	.45
	DeJuan Groce	80	.31	Matt Grier	30	.42
Punting	Kyle Larson	10	43.18	Cody Ridgeway	24	42.20
Punt Returns	DeJuan Groce	3	18.00	Jason Armstead	36	11.97
Kickoff Returns	Josh Davis	28	24.03	Jason Armstead	--	18.63
Field Goals	Josh Brown	67	.85	Jonathan Nichols	47	1.08
Scoring	Jammal Lord	99	102.23	Jonathan Nichols	91	6.33

(Bold indicates a mark which ranks in nation's top 25)



David Cutcliffe
Head Coach



Eli Manning
Quarterback

Rebels Briefly

Record: 6-6

Southeastern Conference Record:

3-5, fourth (SEC West)

Home: 6-1 Away: 0-5

Offense

Yards Rushing/Game: 97.8

Yards Rushing/Att.: 3.1

Passing Yards/Game: 260.3

Passing Yards/Att./Comp.: 3,124/442/258

Total Net Yards/Game: 358.2

Total Net Yards/Att.: 5.2

Points/Game: 27.0

Turnover Margin/Game: +0.25

Defense

Yards Rushing/Game: 151.2

Passing Yards/Game: 195.2

Total Net Yards/Game: 346.3

Points/Game: 25.7

General Information

Location: Oxford, Miss.

Founded: 1844

Enrollment: 14,960

Football Stadium: Vaught-Hemingway/

Hollingsworth Field

Capacity: 60,580

Surface: Natural Grass

Nickname: Rebels

Colors: Cardinal Red and Navy Blue

Conference: Southeastern

Chancellor: Dr. Robert C. Khayat

Director of Athletics: Pete Boone

Assoc. Athletic Director/Sports Information:

Langston Rogers

Assoc. SID (Football): Rick Stupak

Asst. SID (Football): Katy Loneragan

Coaching Staff

Head Coach: David Cutcliffe (Alabama, 1976)

Overall Record: 29-19, fourth season

Record at Ole Miss: 29-19, fourth season

Assistant Coaches:

Chuck Driesbach (Defensive Coordinator/

Linebackers); John Latina (Offensive Coordinator/

Offensive Line) Marion Hobby (Defensive Ends);

Matt Luke (Tight Ends/Offensive Line); Mike

MacIntyre (Secondary); Ron Middleton (Running

Backs/Special Teams); Rick Petri (Defensive

Tackles); Kurt Roper (Quarterbacks); T.D. Woods

(Receivers)

2002 MainStay Independence Bowl Media Information



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Associate SID

University of Nebraska Sports Information Staff members in attendance for the 2002 MainStay Independence Bowl will include Assistant A.D./Sports Information Director Chris Anderson and Associate SID Keith Mann. An SID staff member will be at practice each day and at every media function during the team's stay in Shreveport.

Travel Plans

The Huskers will fly from Lincoln to Shreveport on Monday, Dec. 23, and will make their headquarters at the Holiday Inn Financial Plaza. Nebraska will home via charter on Saturday, Dec. 28.

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Rose Bowl Web Site: www.Independencebowl.org
Nebraska Web Site: www.Huskers.com
Mississippi's Web Site: www.Olemisssports.com

Nebraska Media Policies and Practice Procedures



All of Nebraska's football practices are closed to the media and the public. Practice reports will be filed at the end of each practice with daily quotes from Coach Frank Solich. Still photographers and videographers are welcome to shoot the first 15 minutes of practice (or warmups only), but will be asked to leave after the allotted time is up. Media may shoot the first 15 minutes of every practice except on Dec. 26, when the warmup time is approximately 5 minutes in length.

Please refer to the schedule below for selected player interviews. Please contact the NU Sports Information staff to arrange other interviews. On practice days marked (post-practice interviews), media must contact SID with player and coach requests. **There will be no phone interviews from the bowl site.** All times are subject to change and are Central time.

Tentative Schedule for Nebraska in Shreveport

<u>Day:</u>	<u>Date:</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Location Notes:</u>
Mon.	Dec. 23	Departure	8:30 a.m.	Team departs Lincoln via charter
		Arrival	10:30 a.m.	Team arrives in Shreveport
		Practice/Lift	2:15 p.m.-4:15 p.m.	Open first 15 minutes to shoot
		Press Conf.	5:30 p.m.	No postpractice interviews at practice site Coach Frank Solich and RE Chris Kelsay, QB Jammal Lord, IB Dahrnan Diedrick available at press conference (MacArthur's Chop and Crab)
		Event	6:30 p.m.	Team Welcome Party (Bossier Civic Center)
Tues.	Dec. 24	Event	7:30 a.m.	FCA Breakfast (Convention Center)
		Practice/Lift	1:30 - 3:30 p.m.	Open first 15 minutes to shoot Coach Solich and players available after practice
		Press Conf.	4:30 p.m.	Quarterbacks Coach Turner Gill representing the offense and defensive line coach Jeff Jamrog representing the defense (Holiday Inn Bossier City)
Wed.	Dec. 25	Visit	TBA (11 - 1:30 p.m.)	"Lovefest" at First Methodist Church
		Practice	1:30 - 3 p.m.	Open first 15 minutes to shoot Coach Solich available after practice
		Team Dinner	5 p.m.	Closed to media (Harrahs & Horseshoe)
Thurs.	Dec. 26	Press. Conf.	11 a.m.	Coach Frank Solich and CB/PR DeJuan Groce and C John Garrison (Shreveport Expo Hall)
		Luncheon	Noon	Minuteman Luncheon (Team and Coaches) Shreveport Expo Hall
		Walk-through	2 - 2:30 p.m.	Open 5 minutes (warmups) to shoot Solich available to media before walk-through
		Media Dinner	6 p.m.	Ernest's Orleans Restaurant
		Media Event	following dinner	Media Night at the Funny Bone (Red River Dist.)
Fri.	Dec. 27	Depart to game	1:30 p.m.	Nebraska departs for Independence Stadium
		Kickoff	3:30 p.m.	27th Annual MainStay Independence Bowl Nebraska vs. Ole Miss
		Press Conf.	following game	Coach Solich and requested players will address media in a designated interview area
Sat.	Dec. 28	Departure	Noon	Team leaves Shreveport via charter
		Arrival	2 p.m.	Team arrives back at Lincoln Airport