

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 1

Nebraska 25  
Maine 7

Lincoln, Neb.  
Sept. 3, 2005

Lincoln, Neb. — Nebraska's defense bombarded Maine behind the line, and NU's special teams created big plays in the Huskers' 25-7 win in front of the NCAA-record 269th consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium. A crowd of 77,469 fans and a Fox Sports Net pay-per-view audience watched the Blackshirts tie school records with 18 tackles for loss and 11 sacks. NU's 18 TFL's matched the record set against Iowa State on Nov. 8, 1969, while the 11 sacks tied the mark set against Oregon State on Sept. 30, 1989. Stewart Bradley and Corey McKeon each record three tackles for loss, while Bradley, Adam Carriker and Le Kevin Smith notched two sacks apiece. Sophomore linebacker Bo Ruud added a 27-yard fourth-quarter interception return and a fumble recovery to fuel the defense. While the Blackshirts broke down the Black Bear offense, NU's special teams enjoyed a breakout night. Terrence Nunn ripped off returns of 62 and 45 yards on his first two career returns. Nunn's 62-yarder set up NU's only offensive touchdown of the night, a Cory Ross one-yard plunge late in the second quarter. Nunn finished the night with 135 punt return yards, nearly doubling the season total from NU's top returner in 2004. Wide receiver Frantz Hardy put on a show in his NU debut with seven receptions for 152 yards, the fourth-highest yardage total in Husker history. Quarterback Zac Taylor led NU to a win in his first career start, completing 15-of-36 passes for 192 yards. True freshman place-kicker Jordan Congdon carried the scoring load for the Huskers by connecting on all four of his field goal attempts to tie NU's freshman record in that category.

### Scoring Summary

Maine	0	0	0	7	--7
Nebraska	0	9	6	10	--25

### First Quarter

No Scoring

### Second Quarter

NU-Jordan Congdon 23 FG, 5:21

NU-Cory Ross 1 run (Congdon kick failed), 2:46

### Third Quarter

NU-Congdon 38 FG, 12:07

NU-Congdon 33 FG, 5:55

### Fourth Quarter

MAINE-Kevin McMahan 52 pass from Ron Whitcomb (Bobby Donnelly kick), 11:57

NU-Bo Ruud 27 INT return (Congdon kick), 9:58

NU-Congdon 23 FG, 4:40

Team Statistics	MAINE	NU
First downs	10	17
Rushing att.-yards	37-(6)	42-121
Passes	36-16-1	36-15-2
Passing yards	151	192



Frantz Hardy hauled in seven receptions for 152 yards in his Nebraska debut to help the Huskers to a 25-7 win over Maine.

Team Statistics	MAINE	NU
Total att.-yards	73-145	78-313
KO Returns-yards	5-92	1-43
Punt Returns-yards	0-0	10-198
INT Returns-yards	0-0	1-27-1
Fumble Returns-yards	1-3	0-0
Sacks by	2-5	11-69
Tackles for Loss-yards	6-14	18-82
Punts-average	13-39.8	4-46.8
Net Punting	24.6	41.8
Fumbles-lost	3-1	5-3
Penalties-yards	7-55	0-0
Time of possession	31:50	28:50

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

MAINE: Montell Owens 8-30-0; Jerron Pearson 6-18-0; Chris Legree 6-17-0; Arel Gordon 1-(-1)-0; Ron Whitcomb 16-(70)-0

NU: Cory Ross 20-80-1; Marlon Lucky 13-44-0; Brandon Jackson 6-18-0; Zac Taylor 2-(-5)-0; TEAM 1-(-16)-0

#### Passing:

MAINE: Ron Whitcomb 32-15-1, 149, 1 TD; Chris Legree 4-1-0, 2, 0 TD

NU: Zac Taylor 32-15-2, 192, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

MAINE: Kevin McMahan 7-93-1; Arel Gordon 3-9-0; Ryan Waller 2-27-0; Montell Owens 2-9-0; Josh Radulski 1-8-0; Ron Waller 1-5-0

NU: Frantz Hardy 7-152-0; Clayton Sievers 2-12-0; J.B. Phillips 2-7-0; Grant Mulkey 1-12-0; Terrence Nunn 1-8-0; Dane Todd 1-1-0; Cory Ross 1-0-0

#### Missed field goals: None

#### Interceptions:

MAINE: Reginald Paramo 1-0-0; Daren Stone 1-0-0

NU: Bo Ruud 1-27-1

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

MAINE: Jermaine Walker 7-7-14

NU: Corey McKeon 8-2-10

#### Sacks:

MAINE: Sean Wasson 1-3; Matt King 1-2

NU: Stewart Bradley 2-16; Adam Carriker 2-13; Le Kevin Smith 2-12

## Game 2

Nebraska 31  
Wake Forest 3

Lincoln, Neb.  
Sept. 10, 2005

Lincoln, Neb. — The Blackshirts continued their early season domination by scoring three defensive touchdowns and forcing four turnovers to fuel a 31-3 win over Wake Forest. Playing in front of the NCAA-record 270th consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium and a TBS national television audience, the Huskers set a school record by scoring three defensive touchdowns, including a pair of scores in the first quarter. Sophomore linebacker Corey McKeon started the defensive onslaught with a 38-yard interception return for a touchdown to give Nebraska a 7-0 lead with 6:24 left in the first quarter. Minutes later, senior strong safety Daniel Bullocks forced a fumble by Micah Andrews and raced 30 yards untouched into the end zone to give the Huskers a quick 14-0 lead. After the Demon Deacons finally scratched the scoreboard on a 51-yard Sam Swank field goal as time expired in the first half, the Husker offense got rolling. Quarterback Zac Taylor marched the Huskers 80 yards in seven plays capped by a four-yard scoring pass to Frantz Hardy to push NU's lead to 21-3. Senior I-back Cory Ross added the biggest highlight of the drive with his 57-yard burst down the Wake Forest sideline to crack the 2,000-yard career rushing mark. Ross finished with 20 carries for 123 yards on the night, his 10th career 100-yard rushing effort. Taylor drove the Huskers again late in the third quarter to set up a 21-yard Jordan Congdon field goal to move NU's lead to 24-3 heading into the fourth quarter. The Blackshirts finished the game just as they began, as linebacker Stewart Bradley picked off Wake Forest quarterback Benjamin Mauk and galloped 43 yards to paydirt to put the exclamation point on the Huskers' second win of the season.

### Scoring Summary

Wake Forest	0	3	0	0	--3
Nebraska	14	0	10	7	--31

### First Quarter

NU-Corey McKeon 38 INT return (Jordan Congdon kick), 6:24

NU-Daniel Bullocks 30 fumble return (Congdon kick), 2:45

### Second Quarter

WF-Sam Swank 51 FG, 0:00

### Third Quarter

NU-Frantz Hardy 4 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 12:52

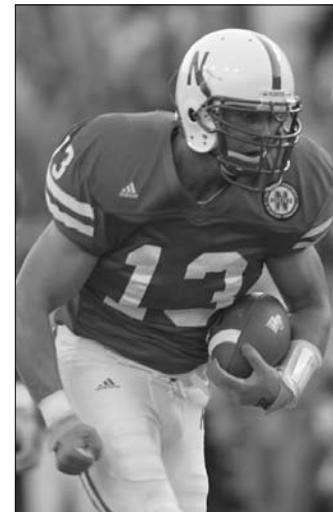
NU-Congdon 21 FG, 1:41

### Fourth Quarter

NU-Stewart Bradley 43 INT return (Congdon kick), 10:23

### Team Statistics

	WF	NU
First downs	19	13
Rushing att.-yards	52-130	30-120
Passes	28-12-3	33-14-1
Passing yards	117	114



Corey McKeon sprinted 38 yards for a score on a first-quarter interception return, the first of three defensive touchdowns by the Huskers, in a 31-3 win over Wake Forest.

### Team Statistics

	WF	NU
Total att.-yards	80-247	63-234
KO Returns-yards	6-68	0-0
Punt Returns-yards	3-23	5-(-1)
INT Returns-yards	1-41	3-109-2
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	1-30-1
Sacks by	1-6	5-46
Tackles for Loss-yards	6-12	15-65
Punts-average	8-46.9	8-42.5
Net Punting	42.0	39.6
Fumbles-lost	3-1	2-0
Penalties-yards	5-48	10-86
Time of possession	35:20	24:40

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

WF: Micah Andrews 19-64-0; Chris Barclay 11-60-0; Richard Belton 3-13-0; De'Angelo Bryant 7-4-0; Chris Davis 1-(-3)-0; Benjamin Mauk 11-(-8)-0

NU: Cory Ross 20-123-0; Marlon Lucky 2-3-0; Brandon Jackson 4-3-0; Zac Taylor 2-(-5)-0; TEAM 2-(-4)-0

#### Passing:

WF: Benjamin Mauk 27-12-3, 117, 0 TD; Nate Morton 1-0-0, 0, 0 TD

NU: Zac Taylor 33-14-1, 114, 1 TD

#### Receiving:

WF: Nate Morton 5-70-0; Chris Davis 4-30-0; Richard Belton 2-13-0; Willie Idlette 1-4-0

NU: Terrence Nunn 4-38-0; Frantz Hardy 4-29-1; Grant Mulkey 2-28-0; Cory Ross 2-7-0; Clayton Sievers 1-7-0; Brandon Jackson 1-5-0

#### Missed field goals:

WF: Sam Swank (35-miss), 2nd, 8:42

#### Interceptions:

WF: Josh Gattis 1-41-0

NU: Stewart Bradley 1-43-1; Corey McKeon 1-38-1; Blake Tiedtke 1-28-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

WF: Patrick Ghee 4-4-8

NU: Daniel Bullocks 7-6-13

#### Sacks:

WF: Matt Robinson 1-6

NU: Corey McKeon 2-11; Adam Carriker 1-14; Wali Muhammad 1-14; Titus Adams 1-7

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 3

Nebraska 7  
Pittsburgh 6  
Lincoln, Neb.  
Sept. 17, 2005

**Lincoln, Neb.** — In a wild ending to a game filled with missed chances, linebacker Adam Ickes blocked Josh Cummings' 46-yard field goal attempt as time expired to preserve Nebraska's 7-6 victory over visiting Pittsburgh at Memorial Stadium. Ickes' blocked field goal was the second field goal block of the day for NU, joining Zach Potter's first-quarter block on Pitt's opening drive. Pitt missed a third field goal earlier in the fourth quarter, and Nebraska had a pair of missed field goals of its own. A stellar defensive effort from the Blackshirts and spectacular play from the Husker punt teams allowed NU to improve to 3-0 on the season. Playing in front of 77,336 fans and an ABC regional television audience, Nebraska kept the Panthers out of the end zone, while NU defensive ends Adam Carriker and Wali Muhammad each sacked Tyler Palko twice in the first half. Sam Koch smashed the longest punt of his career for the third straight week with a Big 12 record 84-yard punt that flipped the field on the Panthers. He hit three punts of 50 or more yards, including the second-longest punt in school history, and pinned Pitt inside its own 20 on five of his eight punts. Terrence Nunn provided a big day with two punt returns for 75 yards, including a 62-yarder in the second quarter. He also had a hand on Nebraska's longest play from scrimmage, a 36-yard reception from Zac Taylor to set up the game's only touchdown, a one-yard Taylor plunge with 7:51 left in the first half. Cory Ross carried the load for the NU offense with 153 yards rushing and 23 yards receiving. Pitt cut into Nebraska's 7-0 halftime lead early in the second half after recovering an on-side kick. Cummings hit a 38-yard field goal with 12:39 left in the third quarter, before adding his second field goal with 1:44 left in the third quarter.

### Scoring Summary

Pittsburgh	0	0	6	0	--6
Nebraska	0	7	0	0	--7

### First Quarter

No Scoring

### Second Quarter

NU-Zac Taylor 1 run, (Jordan Congdon kick), 7:51

### Third Quarter

PITT-Josh Cummings 38 FG, 12:39

PITT-Cummings 27 FG, 1:44

### Fourth Quarter

No Scoring

Team Statistics	PITT	NU
First downs	14	14
Rushing att.-yards	36-114	48-174
Passes	28-11-0	20-10-0
Passing yards	190	93
Total att.-yards	64-304	68-267
KO Returns-yards	0-0	2-42



**Sam Koch boomed a career-long 84-yard punt and pinned Pitt inside its own 20 on five of his eight punts to help the Huskers.**

Team Statistics	PITT	NU
Punt Returns-yards	3-7	5-104
INT Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	4-27	4-34
Tackles for Loss-yards	9-35	9-49
Punts-average	7-49.1	8-46.0
Net Punting	34.3	42.6
Fumbles-lost	3-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	4-35	11-91
Time of possession	27:17	32:43

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

**PITT:** LaRod Stephens-Howling 17-98-0; Raymond Kirkley 9-40-0; Kellen Campbell 1-3-0; Tim Murphy 1-0-0; **TEAM** 1-(-1)-0; Tyler Palko 7-(-26)-0

**NU:** Cory Ross 32-153-0; Cody Glenn 4-20-0; Tierre Green 1-8-0; Brandon Jackson 2-4-0; Mike Stuntz 1-4-0; Marlon Lucky 1-(-4)-0; Zac Taylor 7-(-11)-1

#### Passing:

**PITT:** Tyler Palko 26-11-0, 190, 0 TD; **TEAM** 2-0-0, 0, 0 TD

**NU:** Zac Taylor 20-10-0, 93, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

**PITT:** Greg Lee 3-101-0; Derek Kinder 2-12-0; LaRod Stephens-Howling 2-9-0; Joe DeSardo 1-26-0; Erik Gill 1-26-0; Darrell Strong 1-19-0; Raymond Kirkley 1-(-3)-0

**NU:** Cory Ross 3-23-0; Frantz Hardy 2-15-0; J.B. Phillips 2-8-0; Terrence Nunn 1-36-0; Mark LeFlore 1-8-0; Clayton Sievers 1-3-0

#### Missed field goals:

**PITT:** Cummings (42-block), 1st, 10:57

Cummings (49-miss), 4th, 11:19

Cummings (46-block), 4th, 0:00

**NU:** Congdon (26-miss), 2nd, 12:28

Congdon (38-miss), 4th, 1:28

#### Interceptions: None

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

**PITT:** H.B. Blades 4-10-14

**NU:** Blake Tiedtke 4-4-8

#### Sacks:

**PITT:** Phil Tillman 1-9; H.B. Blades 1-6

**NU:** Adam Carriker 2-21; Wali Muhammad 2-13

## Game 4

Nebraska 27  
#23 Iowa State 20<sup>2OT</sup>  
Lincoln, Neb.  
Oct. 1, 2005

**Lincoln, Neb.** — In one of the longest and most thrilling games in Memorial Stadium history, Cory Ross scored his third touchdown of the game on an eight-yard screen pass from Zac Taylor in the second overtime to push Nebraska past No. 23 Iowa State, 27-20. Taylor's completion to Ross capped a record-setting day for the Huskers and improved NU's record to 4-0 on the season and 1-0 in the Big 12. Taylor finished with school records of 431 passing yards and 36 completions, while tying the school record with 55 pass attempts. Taylor's 433 total offense yards also smashed a school record. Ross added a school receiving record for running backs with 131 yards on eight receptions with two touchdowns. After the two teams exchanged made field goals and missed field goals in the first half, Ross scored his first touchdown on NU's opening drive of the second half. Ross turned a center screen into a 70-yard touchdown catch by darting and weaving his way to the end zone to give NU a 10-3 lead. ISU answered with a touchdown pass of its own before adding a 32-yard Bret Culbertson field goal to head to the fourth quarter with a 13-10 lead. But Jordan Congdon tied the score with a 23-yard field goal with 7:20 left to send it to overtime. In the first overtime game in Memorial Stadium history, ISU's Greg Coleman opened with a 10-yard touchdown run. Nebraska answered with Ross' one-yard scoring run to send the game to a second overtime - the first in NU history. Ross scored on the eight-yard pass and the Blackshirts held to seal the win.

### Scoring Summary

#23 Iowa State	0	3	10	0	7	0	--20
Nebraska	3	0	7	3	7	7	--27

### First Quarter

NU-Jordan Congdon 30 FG, 8:23

### Second Quarter

ISU-Bret Culbertson 31 FG, 11:43

### Third Quarter

NU-Cory Ross 70 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 10:00

ISU-Walter Nickel 2 pass from Bret Meyer (Culbertson kick), 5:39

ISU-Culbertson kick 32 FG, 2:01

### Fourth Quarter

NU-Congdon 23 FG, 7:20

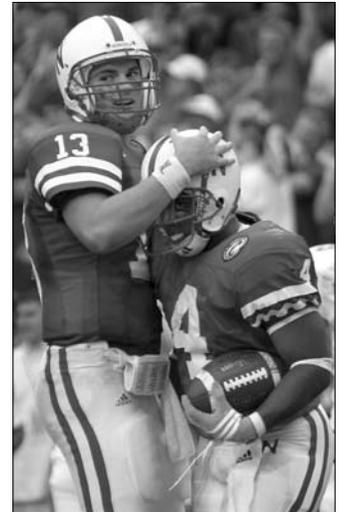
### Overtime

ISU-Greg Coleman 10 run (Culbertson kick)

NU-Ross 1 run (Congdon kick)

NU-Ross 8 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick)

Team Statistics	ISU	NU
First downs	21	26
Rushing att.-yards	38-57	25-36
Passes	41-23-1	55-36-0
Passing yards	317	431
Total att.-yards	79-374	80-467



**Zac Taylor and Cory Ross celebrate one of Ross' three touchdowns in Nebraska's 27-20 double overtime win over Iowa State.**

Team Statistics	ISU	NU
KO Returns-yards	2-32	2-58
Punt Returns-yards	1-11	5-70
INT Returns-yards	0-0	1-6
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	2-20	6-43
Tackles for Loss-yards	7-43	11-52
Punts-average	6-44.3	4-40.5
Net Punting	32.7	32.8
Fumbles-lost	1-0	1-1
Penalties-yards	4-34	8-80
Time of possession	31:38	28:22

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

**ISU:** Greg Coleman 20-65-1; Jon Davis 1-11-0; Stevie Hicks 1-4-0; Ryan Kock 2-0-0; Bret Meyer 14-(-23)-0

**NU:** Cory Ross 15-32-1; Terrence Nunn 1-4-0; Zac Taylor 7-2-0; **TEAM** 2-(-2)-0

#### Passing:

**ISU:** Bret Meyer 41-23-1, 317, 1 TD

**NU:** Zac Taylor 55-36-0, 431, 2 TD

#### Receiving:

**ISU:** Austin Flynn 8-100-0; Jon Davis 5-36-0; R.J. Summral 4-99-0; Todd Blythe 3-51-0; Walter Nickel 2-9-1; Ben Barkema 1-22-0

**NU:** Cory Ross 8-131-2; Terrence Nunn 8-59-0; Nate Swift 5-81-0; Grant Mulkey 5-60-0; Isaiah Fluellen 3-40-0; Mark LeFlore 2-23-0; Frantz Hardy 2-20-0; Clayton Sievers 1-6-0; Dane Todd 1-6-0; J.B. Phillips 1-5-0

#### Missed field goals:

**ISU:** Culbertson (26-miss), 2nd, 0:02

**NU:** Congdon (21-miss), 2nd, 8:27

#### Interceptions:

**ISU:** None

**NU:** Jay Moore 1-6-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

**ISU:** Tim Dobbins 7-8-15

**NU:** Corey McKeon 9-1-10

#### Sacks:

**ISU:** Brent Curvey 1-12; Jason Berryman 1-12

**NU:** Corey McKeon 2-18; Stewart Bradley 1-9; Jay Moore 1-6; Ola Dagundaro 1-6; Barry Turner 1-4

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 5

#15 Texas Tech 34  
Nebraska 31  
Lincoln, Neb.  
Oct. 8, 2005

Lincoln, Neb. — Nebraska battled back from a 21-point first half deficit to take a 31-27 lead late in the fourth quarter, but No. 15 Texas Tech rallied for a 34-31 win to end the Huskers' hopes for the biggest comeback in school history. Playing in front of the NCAA-record 273rd consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium and a TBS national television audience, the Huskers fell behind 21-0 early in the second quarter before storming back. Freshman I-back Cody Glenn scored a pair of touchdowns to cut Texas Tech's lead to 21-14 at the half. The Red Raiders, who added a pair of field goals after NU turnovers, pushed the lead back to 27-14 midway through the third quarter. But Zac Taylor connected with wide receiver Terrence Nunn on a pair of touchdown passes, including the go-ahead score with 10:10 left in the game. Leading 28-27, the Huskers had a chance to solidify their grip on the game after driving to the Texas Tech 6. But NU settled for a 27-yard Jordan Congdon field goal for a 31-27 edge with 5:10 left. Texas Tech quarterback Cody Hodges quickly marched the Red Raiders into scoring position, before NU linebacker Corey McKeon tipped a pass that was intercepted by defensive tackle Le Kevin Smith. After a 14-yard return, Smith was hit by Red Raider offensive lineman Bryan Kegans to force a fumble recovered by Danny Amendola to give Texas Tech the ball back at NU's 18. The Blackshirts forced the Red Raiders into a fourth-down-and-two at the NU 10, before Hodges found Joel Filani for his third touchdown catch of the day with 12 seconds left. The loss ended Nebraska's 36-game Homecoming winning streak.

### Scoring Summary

#15 Texas Tech 7 14 6 7 -- 34  
Nebraska 0 14 7 10 -- 31

### First Quarter

TT-Tauren Henderson 23 pass from Cody Hodges (Alex Trlica kick), 11:47

### Second Quarter

TT-Joel Filani 14 pass from Hodges, 14:36  
TT-Filani 19 pass from Hodges (Trlica kick), 9:25

NU-Cody Glenn 5 run (Jordan Congdon kick), 5:21

NU-Cody Glenn 1 run (Congdon kick), 0:52

### Third Quarter

TT-Trlica 37 FG, 11:48

TT-Trlica 26 FG, 7:31

NU-Terrence Nunn 15 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 1:51

### Fourth Quarter

NU-Nunn 4 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 10:10

NU-Congdon 27 FG, 5:10

NU-Filani 10 pass from Hodges (Trlica kick), 0:12



I-back Cody Glenn scored the first two touchdowns of his Nebraska career to help the Huskers come back from 21 points down against Texas Tech.

Team Statistics	TT	NU
First downs	23	22
Rushing att.-yards	23-44	35-135
Passes	45-34-1	35-21-2
Passing yards	368	229
Total att.-yards	68-412	70-364
KO Returns-yards	5-86	4-59
Punt Returns-yards	0-0	2-43
INT Returns-yards	2-20	1-14
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	1-46
Sacks by	2-11	4-38
Tackles for Loss-yards	4-17	7-51
Punts-average	3-48.7	1-32.0
Net Punting	27.7	32.0
Fumbles-lost	2-1	5-3
Penalties-yards	9-89	8-72
Time of possession	30:59	29:01

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

TT: Tauren Henderson 11-50-0; Cody Hodges 12-(-6)-0

NU: Cory Ross 15-68-0; Cody Glenn 12-39-2; Marlon Lucky 3-23-0; Brandon Jackson 1-4-0; Zac Taylor 4-1-0

#### Passing:

TT: Cody Hodges 45-34-1, 368, 4 TD

NU: Zac Taylor 35-21-2, 229, 2 TD

#### Receiving:

TT: Joel Filani 11-163-3; Tauren Henderson 6-51-1; Robert Johnson 6-40-0; Bristol Olomua 5-39-0; Jarrett Hicks 4-59-0; Brandon Douglas 1-10-0 Danny Amendola 1-6-0

NU: Mark LeFlore 5-53-0; Cory Ross 4-51-0; Terrence Nunn 3-39-2; Nate Swift 3-24-0; Frantz Hardy 2-21-0; Grant Mulkey 2-19-0; Isaiah Fluellen 1-12-0; J.B. Phillips 1-10-0

#### Missed field goals:

TT: Alex Trlica (49-block), 1st, 6:23

#### Interceptions:

TT: Khalid Naziruddin 1-0-0; Sylvester Brinkley 1-20-0

NU: Le Kevin Smith 1-14-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

TT: Dwayne Slay 5-7-12

NU: Daniel Bullocks 7-5-12

#### Sacks:

TT: John Saldi 1-9; Keyunta Dawson 1-2

NU: Adam Carriker 1-13, Jay Moore 1-12, Bo Ruud 1-9, Blake Tiedtke 1-4

## Game 6

Nebraska 23  
Baylor 14  
Waco, Texas  
Oct. 15, 2005

Waco, Texas — Nebraska used a balanced offense and strong play by the defense and special teams to improve to 5-1 with a 23-14 win at Baylor. Playing in front of 40,857 fans, including an estimated 8,000 red-clad Husker fans at Floyd Casey Stadium, the Huskers knocked off Baylor, which entered the game 4-1. Quarterback Zac Taylor led NU to scores on four of its first five drives to produce 20 unanswered points after the Bears took an early 7-0 lead. Taylor finished the night 18-of-32 with two touchdowns and no interceptions through the air, while adding a career-best 30 rushing yards on five carries. Taylor connected with Terrence Nunn and Todd Peterson on touchdown passes to power the Husker victory. Nunn's four-yard grab was his third touchdown catch in the last two games, while Peterson's 21-yard scoring strike on NU's opening drive of the second half marked his first career catch. Jordan Congdon provided the victory margin by hitting all three of his field goal attempts on the night, including a career-long 41-yarder to open the scoring for NU. He added a 29-yard field goal with 22 seconds left in the first half and closed the scoring with a 22-yard boot with 9:21 left in the game. NU produced 350 yards of total offense, including a season-high 182 rushing yards. Cory Ross led NU's ground game with 26 carries for 93 yards. Cortney Grixby provided a pair of highlights with a career-long 48-yard punt return to set up NU's first touchdown, before adding a 33-yard fumble return in the fourth quarter. Zackary Bowman added his first career interception, while Daniel Bullocks ended any Baylor comeback hopes with his fourth-quarter interception.

### Scoring Summary

Nebraska 3 10 7 3 -- 23  
Baylor 7 0 7 0 -- 14

### First Quarter

BU-Shawn Bell 5 run (Ryan Havens kick), 7:39

NU-Jordan Congdon 41 FG, 0:34

### Second Quarter

NU-Terrence Nunn 4 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 5:09

NU-Congdon 29 FG, 0:22

### Third Quarter

NU-Todd Peterson 4 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 11:41

BU-Dominique Zeigler 0 fumble recovery (Havens kick), 6:19

### Fourth Quarter

NU-Congdon 22 FG, 9:21

Team Statistics	NU	BU
First downs	25	16
Rushing att.-yards	51-182	23-51
Passes	32-18-0	31-17-2
Passing yards	168	202



Strong safety Daniel Bullocks pulled down the eighth interception of his career to seal Nebraska's 23-14 victory at Baylor.

Team Statistics	NU	BU
Total att.-yards	83-350	54-253
KO Returns-yards	3-43	3-64
Punt Returns-yards	4-60	2-24
INT Returns-yards	2-12	0-0
Fumble Returns-yards	1-33	1-2
Sacks by	4-32	0-0
Tackles for Loss-yards	9-46	4-7
Punts-average	4-45.2	5-44.6
Net Punting	34.2	28.6
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	5-25	11-82
Time of possession	37:12	22:48

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

NU: Cory Ross 26-93-0; Cody Glenn 12-41-0; Zac Taylor 5-30-0; Marlon Lucky 7-23-0; TEAM 1-0-0

BU: Brandon Whitaker 8-54-0; Paul Mosley 9-23-0; Terrance Parks 1-1-0; Shawn Bell 5-(-27)-1

#### Passing:

NU: Zac Taylor 32-18-0, 168, 2 TD

BU: Shawn Bell 24-15-0, 180, 1 TD; Terrance Parks 6-2-2, 22, 0 TD; TEAM 1-0-0, 0, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

NU: Terrence Nunn 5-49-1; Grant Mulkey 4-28-0; Cory Ross 3-(-4)-0; Nate Swift 2-42-0; Frantz Hardy 2-27-0; Todd Peterson 1-21-1; Marlon Lucky 1-5-0

BU: Dominique Zeigler 6-68-1; Trent Shelton 3-65-0; Shaun Rochon 3-39-0; Brandon Whitaker 2-(-6)-0; Jason Smith 1-15-0; Keegan Vann 1-12-0; J Fields 1-9-0

#### Missed field goals: None

#### Interceptions:

NU: Daniel Bullocks 1-12-0; Zackary Bowman 1-0-0

BU: None

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Blake Tiedtke 5-3-8

BU: Jamaal Harper 8-6-14

#### Sacks:

NU: Le Kevin Smith 2-17; Barry Turner 2-15

BU: None

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 7

Missouri 41  
Nebraska 24  
Columbia, Mo.  
Oct. 22, 2005

**Columbia, Mo.** — Nebraska battled back from a 21-3 first-quarter deficit to tie the score at 24 at the half, but Missouri quarterback Brad Smith's 480 yards of total offense, including 246 rushing yards powered the Tigers' 41-24 win. Trailing 21-3, Zac Taylor hit Todd Peterson on a 34-yard touchdown pass to cut MU's lead to 21-10 at the end of the first quarter. After Adam Crossett hit a 29-yard field to push MU's lead to 24-10 early in the second, NU's Daniel Bullocks blocked and recovered a Crossett punt at the MU 1. Cody Glenn scored on the next play to make it 24-17 Tigers. Moments later, Barry Turner forced a Smith fumble that Jay Moore returned 17 yards to the MU 8. Taylor hit Nate Swift, who finished with a career-best 135 receiving yards, on an eight-yard touchdown pass two plays later to tie the score at 24. The Huskers appeared on the verge of taking their first lead midway through the third quarter when Taylor hit Terrence Nunn on fourth-and-two at the MU 33. Nunn raced through the middle of the MU defense, but Jason Simpson stripped the ball and David Overstreet recovered at the MU 3. The momentum swung to the Tigers, who marched 97 yards for a touchdown, capped by Smith's 45-yard touchdown run. MU added two more scores to seal just its second win in 27 tries against NU. Smith's 480 total offense yards ranked as the second-highest total by an opponent in NU history, while his 246 rushing yards were also the second-most by an opponent. The Huskers finished with minus-two yards rushing - the second-lowest total in history - on a school-record low 19 attempts.

### Scoring Summary

Nebraska	10	14	0	0	--	24
Missouri	21	3	7	10	--	41

### First Quarter

MU-Tommy Saunders 15 pass from Brad Smith (Adam Crossett kick), 12:51

MU-Smith 4 run (Crossett kick), 8:48

NU-Jordan Congdon 32 FG, 4:29

MU-Smith 79 run (Crossett kick), 4:13

NU-Todd Peterson 34 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 2:44

### Second Quarter

MU-Crossett 29 FG, 14:47

NU-Cody Glenn 1 run (Congdon kick), 4:49

NU-Nate Swift 8 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 2:07

### Third Quarter

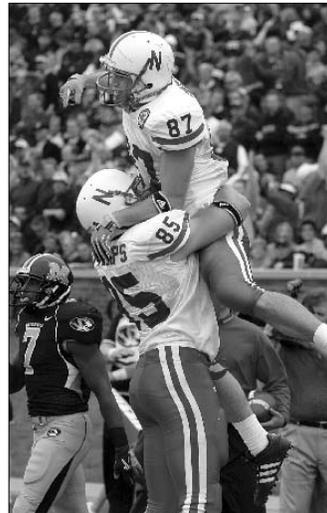
MU-Smith 45 run (Crossett kick), 2:38

### Fourth Quarter

MU-Crossett 31 FG, 13:43

MU-Tony Temple 14 run (Crossett kick), 5:37

Team Statistics	NU	MU
First downs	13	25
Rushing att.-yards	19-(-2)	49-277
Passes	43-22-2	38-22-1
Passing yards	281	246



Wide receiver Nate Swift set career highs with nine catches for 135 yards and one touchdown against Missouri.

Team Statistics	NU	MU
Total att.-yards	62-279	87-523
KO Returns-yards	7-117	5-85
Punt Returns-yards	4-37	2-8
INT Returns-yards	1-0	2-3
Fumble Returns-yards	1-17	0-0
Sacks by	4-41	4-43
Tackles for Loss-yards	11-55	7-49
Punts-average	8-48.1	5-38.8
Net Punting	47.0	31.4
Fumbles-lost	2-1	2-1
Penalties-yards	12-99	5-43
Time of possession	25:46	34:14

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

NU: Cory Ross 10-39-0; Cody Glenn 3-5-1; Zac Taylor 6-(-46)-0

MU: Brad Smith 28-246-3; Tony Temple 8-32-1; Marcus Woods 5-15-0; Brad Ekwerekwu 1-3-0; TEAM 2-(-1)-0; Chase Daniel 5-(-18)-0

#### Passing:

NU: Zac Taylor 43-22-2, 281, 2 TD

MU: Brad Smith 36-21-1, 234, 1 TD; Chase Daniel 2-1-0, 12, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

NU: Nate Swift 9-135-1; Todd Peterson 3-65-1; Cory Ross 3-6-0; Dane Todd 2-23-0; Terrence Nunn 1-30-0; Frantz Hardy 1-10-0; Grant Mulkey 1-9-0; J.B. Phillips 1-5-0; Marlon Lucky 1-(-2)-0

MU: Will Franklin 9-94-0; Sean Coffey 4-59-0; Brad Ekwerekwu 2-54-0; Tommy Saunders 2-23-1; Tony Temple 2-(-5)-0; Arnold Britt 1-13-0; Martin Rucker 1-6-0; Marcus Woods 1-2-0

#### Missed field goals:

MU: Crossett (43-miss), 3rd, 9:17

#### Interceptions:

NU: Cortney Grixby 1-0

MU: David Overstreet 1-3; Brian Smith 1-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Bo Ruud 7-5-12

MU: David Overstreet 3-7-10

#### Sacks:

NU: Corey McKeon 1-18; Blake Tiedtke 1-9; Barry Turner 1-9; Adam Carriker 1-5

MU: Xzavie Jackson 1.5-17; Marcus Bacon 1.5-16; Brian Smith 1-10

## Game 8

Oklahoma 31  
Nebraska 24  
Lincoln, Neb.  
Oct. 29, 2005

**Lincoln, Neb.** — In a classic installment to a historic series, Nebraska trailed Oklahoma by 21 points in the third quarter before rallying in a 31-24 setback. Playing in front of 77,438 fans in the 274th consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium and an ABC television audience, OU's Adrian Peterson rushed for more than 100 yards and two touchdowns in the first half. Nebraska shut down Peterson in the second half, but a pair of interceptions that led to 10 Sooner points proved to be the difference in the game. With the Huskers trailing 14-3 late in the first half, Chijioke Onyenegecha returned his first career interception 63 yards for a score to give the Sooners a 21-3 halftime lead. Dusty Dvoracek added an interception on NU's first drive of the second half, and a Garret Hartley field goal made it 24-3. NU stormed back, as Zac Taylor hit Terrence Nunn on a three-yard touchdown pass to cap a 16-play, 80-yard drive with 5:17 left in the third. OU then mishandled a snap on a 52-yard field goal attempt, and the Huskers capitalized on a 25-yard strike from Taylor to Nate Swift to make it 24-17 with 14:53 left. The Sooners got a 17-yard Kejuan Jones touchdown run, but the Huskers responded quickly on a four-play, 70-yard drive capped by an 18-yard touchdown pass from I-back Cory Ross to Swift to make it 31-24. The catch was Swift's ninth of the day for 116 yards and two scores, giving him NU's first back-to-back 100-yard receiving days since Irving Fryar. The Blackshirts held OU to give the offense a chance with 2:37 left in the game, but the Sooners held on for the win.

### Scoring Summary

Oklahoma	7	14	3	7	--	31
Nebraska	0	3	7	14	--	24

### First Quarter

OU-Adrian Peterson 36 run (Garret Hartley kick), 12:14

### Second Quarter

OU-Peterson 2 run (Hartley kick), 11:27

NU-Jordan Congdon 40 FG, 9:21

OU-Chijioke Onyenegecha 63 INT return (Hartley kick), 1:00

### Third Quarter

OU-Hartley 50 FG, 11:24

NU-Terrence Nunn 3 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 5:17

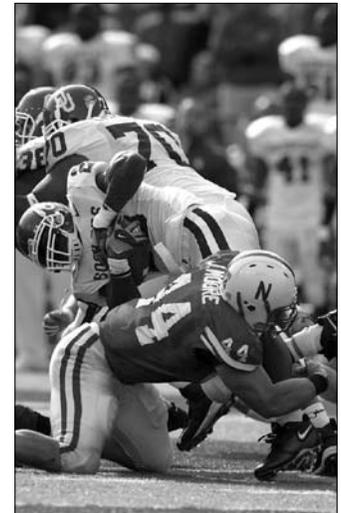
### Fourth Quarter

NU-Nate Swift 25 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 14:53

OU-Kejuan Jones 17 run (Hartley kick), 10:58

NU-Swift 18 pass from Cory Ross (Congdon kick), 5:56

Team Statistics	OU	NU
First downs	19	20
Rushing att.-yards	45-180	34-16
Passes	28-14-0	46-26-2



Defensive end Jay Moore recorded three tackles for loss among his five total tackles against Oklahoma.

Team Statistics	OU	NU
Passing yards	157	267
Total att.-yards	73-337	80-267
KO Returns-yards	1-13	3-67
Punt Returns-yards	4-43	1-21
INT Returns-yards	2-69-1	0-0
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	9-57	1-6
Tackles for Loss-yards	12-62	10-47
Punts-average	5-40.0	7-46.6
Net Punting	31.8	37.6
Fumbles-lost	4-0	1-0
Penalties-yards	4-26	5-34
Time of possession	29:37	30:23

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

OU: Adrian Peterson 24-146-2; Kejuan Jones 8-28-1; Rhett Bomar 7-11-0; Juaquin Iglesias 1-9-0; Garret Hartley 1-6-0; Jacob Gutierrez 1-0-0; TEAM 3-(-20)-0

NU: Cory Ross 10-21-0; Cody Glenn 4-8-0; Marlon Lucky 4-2-0; Zac Taylor 16-(-15)-0

#### Passing:

OU: Rhett Bomar 28-14-0, 157, 0 TD

NU: Zac Taylor 45-25-2, 249, 2 TD; Cory Ross 1-1-0, 18, 1 TD

#### Receiving:

OU: Malcolm Kelly 8-86-0; Travis Wilson 3-42-0; J.D. Runnels 2-7-0; Kejuan Jones 1-22-0

NU: Nate Swift 9-116-2; Grant Mulkey 5-43-0; Cory Ross 4-39-0; Terrence Nunn 4-27-1; Mark LeFlore 2-14-0; Dane Todd 1-17-0; Clayton Sievers 1-11-0

#### Missed field goals:

OU: Garret Hartley (44-miss), 1st, 1:19  
Hartley (35-blocked), 2nd, 7:18

#### Interceptions:

OU: Chijioke Onyenegecha 1-63-1; Dusty Dvoracek 1-6-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

OU: Rufus Alexander 11-2-13

NU: Cortney Grixby 9-0-9

#### Sacks:

OU: Rufus Alexander 3-25; Calvin Thibodeaux 2-9; Clint Ingram 1-7; Alan Davis 1-7; Dusty Dvoracek 1-7; Zach Latimer 1-2

NU: Adam Carriker 1-6

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 9

Kansas 40  
Nebraska 15

Lawrence, Kan.  
Nov. 5, 2005

Lawrence, Kan. — Nebraska battled back from a 17-2 second-quarter deficit, and had a chance to tie the score at 17 midway through the third quarter. But NU's two-point conversion attempt failed and Kansas scored the game's final 23 points to post a 40-15 win over the Huskers in front of 51,750 fans at KU's Memorial Stadium. The Jayhawk victory ended NU's 36-game series winning streak dating back to KU's last win in 1968. Although the final score appeared decisive, Nebraska trailed 17-15 with 6:19 left in the third quarter after Cory Ross scored on a one-yard touchdown run. Ross converted a fumble forced by Adam Ickes that was recovered by Adam Carriker at the KU 16. Zac Taylor's two-point conversion attempt was intercepted by KU, and two plays later, running back Jon Cornish sprinted 72 yards into the end zone to push the Jayhawk lead to 24-15. KU then sacked Taylor for a safety, and added a touchdown pass from Jason Swanson to Mark Simmons on the ensuing drive to push its lead to 33-15. The KU defense, which held NU to just 138 total yards, sealed the win with Kevin Kane's 40-yard interception return for a touchdown. Kansas jumped to a 7-0 lead with a 40-yard touchdown pass from Swanson to Simmons, before NU linebacker Corey McKeon put the Huskers on the board with their first safety in two years with his sack of Swanson. KU increased its lead to 14-2 when Ronnie Amadi blocked a punt that was recovered by Darren Rus and returned 20 yards for a score. Scott Webb added a 21-yard field goal for KU before Nebraska started its comeback with a 30-yard touchdown pass from Taylor to Terrence Nunn.

### Scoring Summary

Nebraska	2	7	6	0	--	15
Kansas	14	3	7	16	--	40

### First Quarter

KU-Mark Simmons 40 pass from Jason Swanson (Scott Webb kick), 10:45

NU-TEAM safety (Corey McKeon), 7:05

KU-Darren Rus 20 blocked punt return (Webb kick), 1:16

### Second Quarter

KU-Webb 21 FG, 4:46

NU-Terrence Nunn 30 pass from Zac Taylor (Jordan Congdon kick), 1:47

### Third Quarter

NU-Cory Ross 1 run (Taylor 2PAT INT), 6:19

KU-Jon Cornish 72 (Webb kick), 5:35

### Fourth Quarter

KU-TEAM safety (Eric Butler), 14:45

KU-Simmons 12 pass from Swanson (Webb kick), 8:33

KU-Kevin Kane 40 INT return (Webb kick), 5:23



Terrence Nunn scored his fifth touchdown of the season and led the Huskers with three receptions at Kansas.

Team Statistics	NU	KU
First downs	7	17
Rushing att.-yards	23-21	44-213
Passes	27-14-1	27-16-1
Passing yards	117	215
Total att.-yards	49-138	71-428
KO Returns-yards	5-127	2-50
Punt Returns-yards	2-17	6-60-1
INT Returns-yards	1-19	1-40-1
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	1-2	3-19
Tackles for Loss-yards	6-14	7-32
Punts-average	10-42.8	4-39.5
Net Punting	36.8	35.2
Fumbles-lost	0-0	2-1
Penalties-yards	6-32	6-45
Time of possession	25:11	34:49

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

NU: Cory Ross 16-30-1; Cody Glenn 2-0-0; Zac Taylor 4-(-9)-0

KU: Jon Cornish 10-101-1; Clark Green 22-100-0; Jason Swanson 10-11-0; Brandon McAnderson 2-1-0

#### Passing:

NU: Zac Taylor 26-14-1, 117, 1 TD; Cory Ross 1-0-0, 0, 0 TD

KU: Jason Swanson 27-16-1, 215, 2 TD

#### Receiving:

NU: Terrence Nunn 3-47-1; Nate Swift 3-26-0; J.B. Phillips 2-14-0; Frantz Hardy 1-13-0; Grant Mulkey 1-8-0; Dane Todd 1-5-0; Todd Peterson 1-5-0; Cory Ross 1-3-0; Zac Taylor 1-(-4)-0

KU: Mark Simmons 6-100-2; Clark Green 4-46-0; Brian Murph 3-46-0; Dominic Roux 2-22-0; Jon Cornish

#### Missed field goals: None

#### Interceptions:

NU: Corey McKeon 1-19-0

KU: Kevin Kane 1-40-1

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Titus Adams 9-2-11

KU: Charlton Keith 4-4-8

#### Sacks:

NU: Corey McKeon 1-2

KU: Brandon Perkins 1-9; Charlton Keith 1-7; Eric Butler 1-3

## Game 10

Nebraska 27  
Kansas State 25

Lincoln, Neb.  
Nov. 12, 2005

Lincoln, Neb. — Jordan Congdon boomed a 40-yard field goal with 1:05 left to give Nebraska a 27-25 win over Kansas State. Playing in front of the NCAA-record 275th consecutive sellout at Memorial Stadium, several NU freshmen teamed up to send 22 seniors out as winners on Senior Day in Lincoln. Congdon kicked a pair of field goals to push his NU freshman single-season record to 15. His game-winning kick was his ninth consecutive made field goal, and it gave the Huskers their sixth victory of the year to become bowl eligible for the 37th time in the past 38 seasons. Freshman wide receiver Nate Swift hauled in seven catches for 109 yards and two touchdowns. His final catch went for 21 yards on NU's winning drive. Swift's catch, the first career completion for freshman quarterback Harrison Beck, also gave Swift his third 100-yard receiving game of the year. Beck, who replaced injured starter Zac Taylor in the fourth quarter, made his first career appearance. Taylor had set NU's single-season passing record in the third quarter on his 34-yard touchdown pass to Swift. Taylor became just the fifth NU quarterback in history to pass for 2,000 yards and broke Dave Humm's 33-year-old passing mark of 2,074 yards in 1972. Swift added a 19-yard touchdown catch from Taylor late in the second quarter to give NU a 17-12 halftime lead. Swift's second touchdown catch gave NU a 24-12 lead early in the third quarter, before KSU battled back with 13 unanswered points. KSU scored on an Allan Evridge run, two safeties and Tim Schwerdt's 27-yard field goal to take a 25-24 lead. KSU struggled in its kicking game with starter Jeff Snodgrass. NU blocked a field goal and a PAT, while a second KSU PAT attempt also failed.

### Scoring Summary

Kansas State	6	6	10	3	--	25
Nebraska	7	10	7	3	--	27

### First Quarter

KSU-Allan Evridge 2 run (Jeff Snodgrass kick blocked), 6:24

NU-Cory Ross 1 run (Jordan Congdon kick), 0:15

### Second Quarter

KSU-Victor Mann 1 run (Mann rush failed), 12:04

NU-Congdon 38 FG, 8:12

NU-Nate Swift 19 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 2:02

### Third Quarter

NU-Swift 34 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 13:26

KSU-Evridge 7 run (Snodgrass fumble), 10:27

KSU-Maurice Porter safety, 10:21

KSU-Reggie Walker safety, 4:03

### Fourth Quarter

KSU-Tim Schwerdt 27 FG, 4:18

NU-Congdon 40 FG, 1:05

Team Statistics	KSU	NU
First downs	17	20
Rushing att.-yards	50-248	35-93



Jordan Congdon kicked a 40-yard field goal with 1:05 remaining to send Nebraska to its sixth victory of the season in a 27-25 win over Kansas State on Senior Day.

Team Statistics	KSU	NU
Passes	30-6-1	38-22-1
Passing yards	103	241
Total att.-yards	80-351	73-334
KO Returns-yards	7-70	2-12
Punt Returns-yards	1-(-4)	4-29
INT Returns-yards	1-36	1-0-0
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	1-8	2-15
Tackles for Loss-yards	7-20	10-35
Punts-average	8-41.2	6-42.5
Net Punting	37.6	43.2
Fumbles-lost	3-1	7-2
Penalties-yards	14-108	8-47
Time of possession	28:58	31:02

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

KSU: Allan Evridge 30-138-2; Thomas Clayton 13-85-0; Victor Mann 4-32-1; Jordy Nelson 1-(-2)-0; Allen Webb 1-(-5)-0

NU: Cory Ross 26-69-1; Terrence Nunn 1-19-0; Zac Taylor 3-11-0; Marlon Lucky 2-7-0; Brandon Jackson 1-(-2)-0; TEAM 1-(-4)-0; Harrison Beck 1-(-7)-0

#### Passing:

KSU: Allan Evridge 27-5-1, 77, 0 TD; Allen Webb 3-1-0, 26, 0 TD

NU: Zac Taylor 31-21-0, 220, 2 TD; Harrison Beck 6-1-1, 21, 0 TD; Todd Peterson 1-0-0, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

KSU: Davin Dennis 3-43-0; Jordy Nelson 1-43-0; Yamon Figurs 1-10-0; Rashaad Norwood 1-7-0

NU: Nate Swift 7-109-2; Terrence Nunn 5-44-0; J.B. Phillips 2-28-0; Dane Todd 2-23-0; Grant Mulkey 2-15-0; Cory Ross 2-(-1)-0; Josh Mueller 1-18-0; Todd Peterson 1-5-0

#### Missed field goals:

KSU: Jeff Snodgrass (31-block), 3rd, 0:43

#### Interceptions:

KSU: Bryan Baldwin 1-36-0

NU: Corey McKeon 1-0-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

KSU: Brandon Archer 5-3-8

NU: Bo Ruud 10-5-15

#### Sacks:

KSU: Tearrius George 1-8

NU: Barry Turner 1-9; Adam Carriker 1-6

# 2005 Game-by-Game

## Game 11

Nebraska 30  
Colorado 3  
Boulder, Colo.  
Nov. 25, 2005

Boulder, Colo. — The Nebraska football team closed the regular season with its most dominant effort of the year, routing Colorado, 30-3, at Folsom Field in front of an ABC national television audience on the Friday after Thanksgiving. The Huskers' 27-point win was the largest margin in the series with Colorado since 1992 and helped NU finish with a 7-4 overall record and a 4-4 Big 12 mark. Quarterback Zac Taylor provided one of the best passing days in school history by completing 27-of-43 passes for 392 yards and two touchdowns. Taylor led NU to a season-high 497 yards of total offense. Colorado native Cory Ross capped his final regular season at NU with a career-high nine catches for 129 yards and one touchdown out of the backfield for the Huskers. Nate Swift added four catches for 77 yards and a touchdown, while freshman running back Cody Glenn contributed a rushing touchdown for the Huskers. While Taylor led a potent and efficient offense, the Blackshirt defense closed the door on the Colorado offense, holding the Buffs out of the end zone. The Blackshirts held CU to just 212 yards of total offense, nearly 170 yards below the Buffs' season average, allowing only a field goal on CU's opening drive of the game. Sophomore linebacker Bo Ruud had a big day with three tackles for loss, including one of four Nebraska sacks of CU quarterback Joel Klatt. NU's starting defensive line of Adam Carriker, Jay Moore, Titus Adams and Le Kevin Smith all had a hand in sacks as well, as the Huskers controlled the line of scrimmage on both sides of the ball. Freshman place-kicker Jordan Congdon added three field goals to tie the Nebraska single-season record with 18 field goals on the year.

### Scoring Summary

Nebraska 3 17 7 3 -- 30  
Colorado 3 0 0 0 -- 3

### First Quarter

CU-Mason Crosby 33 FG, 12:25  
NU-Jordan Congdon 26 FG, 8:06

### Second Quarter

NU-Cory Ross 19 pass from Zac Taylor (Congdon kick), 13:01  
NU-Cody Glenn 1 run (Congdon kick), 9:57  
NU-Congdon 30 FG, 4:44

### Third Quarter

NU-Nate Swift 21 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 6:30

### Fourth Quarter

NU-Congdon 32 FG, 2:02

Team Statistics	NU	CU
First downs	28	13
Rushing att.-yards	42-105	20-53
Passes	48-27-0	40-20-1
Passing yards	392	159
Total att.-yards	90-497	60-212
KO Returns-yards	0-0	5-116



Linebacker Bo Ruud led a strong effort by the Nebraska Blackshirts with three tackles for loss, including a sack against Colorado.

Team Statistics	NU	CU
Punt Returns-yards	5-37	2-29
INT Returns-yards	1-0	0-0
Fumble Returns-yards	0-0	0-0
Sacks by	4-33	5-30
Tackles for Loss-yards	8-41	7-32
Punts-average	5-54.8	9-47.4
Net Punting	41.0	43.3
Fumbles-lost	1-0	2-0
Penalties-yards	7-51	10-105
Time of possession	38:03	21:57

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

NU: Marlon Lucky 10-33-0; Brandon Jackson 4-25-0; Cody Glenn 8-18-1; Zac Taylor 13-16-0; Cory Ross 7-13-0

CU: Hugh Charles 12-78-0; Byron Ellis 1-5-0; Joel Klatt 7-(-30)-0

#### Passing:

NU: Zac Taylor 43-27-0, 392, 2TD; Harrison Beck 4-0-0, 0, 0 TD; Terrence Nunn 1-0-0, 0, 0 TD

CU: Joel Klatt 40-20-1, 159, 0 TD

#### Receiving:

NU: Cory Ross 9-129-1; Nate Swift 4-77-1; Terrence Nunn 4-27-0; Todd Peterson 3-54-0; Grant Mulkey 3-49-0; J.B. Phillips 3-21-0; Frantz Hardy 1-35-0

CU: Dusty Sprague 5-37-0; Patrick Williams 5-30-0; Evan Judge 3-34-0; Joe Klopfenstein 3-26-0; Lawrence Vickers 2-5-0; Quinn Sypniewski 1-19-0; Hugh Charles 1-8-0

#### Missed field goals:

NU: Congdon (28-miss), 4th, 6:48  
CU: Crosby (57-miss), 1st, 6:06

#### Interceptions:

NU: Adam Ickes 1-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

NU: Bo Ruud 6-0-6; Adam Ickes 5-1-6  
CU: Akarika Dawn 6-4-10

#### Sacks:

NU: Bo Ruud 1-8; Le Kevin Smith 1-4; Adam Carriker 0.5-6; Barry Cryer 0.5-6; Titus Adams 0.5-5; Jay Moore 0.5-4

CU: Abraham Wright 1-8; Thadadaeus Washington 1-7; Brian Iwuh 1-7; Akarika Dawn 1-6; James Garee 1-2

## Game 12

Nebraska 32  
#20 Michigan 28  
San Antonio, Texas  
Dec. 28, 2005 (Alamo Bowl)

San Antonio, Texas — In one of the most tightly matched and exciting bowl games of the year, Nebraska battled back from a 11-point deficit with less than nine minutes to play to knock off No. 20 Michigan in the 2005 MasterCard Alamo Bowl at the Alamodome. Playing in front of 62,000 fans and an ESPN national television audience, senior I-back Cory Ross capped his Husker career as the Alamo Bowl MVP by rushing for 161 yards on 28 carries, including a 31-yard fourth-quarter touchdown run to start NU's rally. Houston native Terrence Nunn capped the Husker comeback with his second touchdown catch of the game on a 13-yard connection with Zac Taylor with 4:29 remaining in the game. Nunn opened the scoring with a 52-yard touchdown catch from Taylor in the first quarter. Quarterback Chad Henne threw two touchdown passes to give Michigan a 14-7 lead early in the second quarter, before Taylor tied the game with a 14-yard strike to Nate Swift. Jordan Congdon gave NU a 17-14 lead midway through the third quarter with his school record 19th field goal of the year. Henne gave the lead back on his third touchdown pass, before pushing the Wolverine margin to 28-17 with a seven-yard touchdown run with 11:40 left. The outcome was not decided until the game's final play as Henne completed a short pass to Jason Avant to begin a series of laterals that concluded with Tyler Ecker rumbling 62 yards to the NU 13 where he was finally knocked out of bounds by Titus Brothers to end the game.

### Scoring Summary

#20 Michigan 7 7 7 7 -- 28  
Nebraska 7 7 3 15 -- 32

### First Quarter

NU-Terrence Nunn 52 pass from Zac Taylor (Jordan Congdon kick), 8:04

MICH-Tyler Ecker 13 pass from Chad Henne (Garrett Rivas kick), 5:48

### Second Quarter

MICH-Mike Massey 16 pass from Henne (Rivas kick), 11:43

NU-Nate Swift 14 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 2:37

### Third Quarter

NU-Congdon 20 FG, 8:54

MICH-Mario Manningham 21 pass from Henne (Rivas kick), 6:31

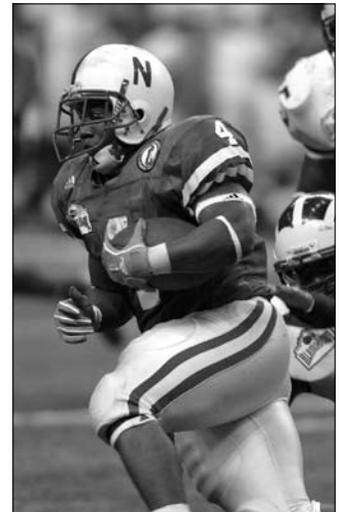
### Fourth Quarter

MICH-Henne 7 run (Rivas kick), 11:40

NU-Cory Ross 31 run (Todd Peterson pass from Taylor), 8:08

NU-Nunn 13 pass from Taylor (Congdon kick), 4:29

Team Statistics	MICH	NU
First downs	23	16
Rushing att.-yards	42-130	37-151
Passes	43-21-1	31-14-2



Alamo Bowl MVP Cory Ross led Nebraska to an 8-4 overall record and a No. 23 national ranking by the Associated Press.

Team Statistics	MICH	NU
Passing yards	270	167
Total att.-yards	85-400	68-318
KO Returns-yards	6-186	2-43
Punt Returns-yards	7-72	3-32
INT Returns-yards	2-0	1-0
Fumble Returns-yards	2-0	0-0
Sacks by	5-27	4-22
Tackles for Loss-yards	9-41	10-33
Punts-average	7-34.9	8-51.5
Net Punting	30.3	42.5
Fumbles-lost	4-2	0-0
Penalties-yards	6-49	9-76
Time of possession	31:21	28:39

### Individual Leaders

#### Rushing:

MICH: Mike Hart 19-74-0; Chad Henne 13-38-1; Kevin Grady 5-17-0; Antonio Bass 3-4-0; TEAM 1-(-1)-0; Steve Breaston 1-(-2)-0

NU: Cory Ross 28-161-1; Marlon Lucky 1-3-0; TEAM 1-(-3)-0; Zac Taylor 7-(-10)-0

#### Passing:

MICH: Chad Henne 43-21-1, 270, 3 TD  
NU: Zac Taylor 31-14-2, 167, 3 TD

#### Receiving:

MICH: Jason Avant 8-71-0; Mario Manningham 3-28-1; Antonio Bass 3-24-0; Mike Hart 2-35-0; Mike Massey 2-18-1; Tyler Ecker 1-71-1; Alijah 1-15-0; Steve Breaston 1-8-0

NU: Terrence Nunn 4-91-2; Nate Swift 3-31-1; Frantz Hardy 3-27-0; Cory Ross 3-9-0; J.B. Phillips 1-10-0

#### Missed field goals:

MICH: Garrett Rivas (25-miss), 2nd, 12:39

#### Interceptions:

MICH: Leon Hall 2-0-0

NU: Zackary Bowman 1-0-0

#### Tackles (UT-AT-TT):

MICH: Willis Barringer 5-4-9

NU: Corey McKeon 9-2-11

#### Sacks:

MICH: Alan Branch 1.5-4; Shawn Crable 1-7; Tim Jamison 0.5-5; David Harris 0.5-4; LaMarr Woodley 0.5-3; Pierre Woods 0.5-3; Rondell Biggs 0.5-1

NU: Barry Cryer 1-8; Ola Dagundaro 1-6; Blake Tiedtke 1-6; Le Kevin Smith 1-2