

# No. 14 LSU (6-3, 3-2 SEC) vs. No. 11 Alabama (7-2, 4-2 SEC) Postgame Notes · Saturday, Nov. 9, 2024 · Kickoff 6:49 p.m. CT · ABC

## **GAME INFORMATION**

LSU Captains: RB Josh Williams, LB Greg

Penn III

Coin Toss: LSU won, deferred; LSU kicked

**Weather**: Cloudy, 78 degrees **Wind**: East at 7 mph

Attendance: 102,283

Brian Kelly Career Record: 310-107-2 Brian Kelly LSU Record: 26-10 Brian Kelly vs. Alabama: 1-4 LSU vs. Alabama All-Time: 27-57-2

## **LSU STARTERS**

### Offense

LT Will Campbell, LG Paul Mubenga, C DJ Chester, RG Miles Frazier, RT Emery Jones Jr., QB Garrett Nussmeier, RB Caden Durham, WR Aaron Anderson, WR Kyren Lacy, WR CJ Daniels, TE Mason Taylor

## Defense

DT Paris Shand, DT Gio Paez, DE Bradyn Swinson, DE Sai'vion Jones, LB Greg Penn III, LB Whit Weeks, STAR Major Burns, CB Ashton Stamps, CB Zy Alexander, S Jardin Gilbert, S Sage Ryan

## **GAME NOTES**

#### General

- 1. LSU brought the nation's third-longest home winning streak into the Alabama game.
- a. The Tigers had won 14 consecutive games in Death Valley, a streak that dated back to a 45-20 win over then-No. 7 Ole Miss on Oct. 22, 2022. Alabama snapped the home winning streak with its 42-13 victory.
- b. LSU's 14-game Tiger Stadium winning streak trailed only Georgia (28) and Washington (19) nationally prior to Saturday's game.
- c. LSU's last home loss before its game against Alabama on Nov. 9, 2024, came against Tennessee on Oct. 8, 2022 by a 40-13 count.
- 2. LSU's record at Tiger Stadium moved to 356-112-13 following the Crimson Tide's win.
- a. LSU had won 15 straight night games in Death Valley before Saturday's game and since the turn of the century (2000-24), LSU is 110-16 in night games in Tiger Stadium
- b. LSU went 49-5 from 2000-09, 43-7 from 2010-19 and is 18-4 in those games since 2020.
- 3. The Tigers are 13-1 in night games in Tiger Stadium under Brian Kelly.
- a. LSU had won 15 consecutive night games in Death Valley before Alabama's victory Saturday night.
- b. The Tigers had won all four of their night games in 2022, followed by a 6-0 mark in 2023. This year, LSU has night game wins in Tiger Stadium over Nicholls, South Alabama, and Ole Miss. LSU's only loss during a night game at home under BK was against Alabama on Nov. 9, 2024.
- c. Prior to Saturday, LSU last lost a night game in Tiger Stadium on Nov. 13, 2022 when Arkansas kicked a field goal in overtime to win, 16-13.
- d. LSU's 15-night game winning streak started a week later when the Tigers beat Louisiana Monroe, 27-14.
- e. LSU has only two home losses under Brian Kelly. The first came during the day when then-No. 8 Tennessee posted a 40-13 win over the Tigers on Oct. 8, 2022. The second came against Alabama on Nov. 9, 2024, when the No. 11 Crimson Tide won, 42-13.
- 4. LSU and Alabama met on ABC for the 15th time since the network first aired the Tigers and Crimson Tide at night in 1971.
- a. In 15 matchups on ABC, LSU and Alabama met once in the 60s, 7 times in the 70s, 3 times in the 80s, 3 times in the 90s, and once in the 2020s.
- b. The 2024 contest on primetime ABC marked the first game on the network between the teams since 1995.
- 5. In a series that dates back to 1895, Alabama holds a 57-27-5 advantage over LSU.
  - a. Saturday's game was the 42nd played in Baton Rouge.
  - b. LSU is 10-30-2 in games played in Baton Rouge.
- 6. LSU is 7-2 under head coach Brian Kelly in games following a loss. The Tigers were 3-1 in those games in 2022, 3-0 in 2023, and 1-1 in 2024.
- a. The Tigers have lost back-to-back games twice under BK. The first coming in 2022 when the Tigers dropped a 38-23 decision to Texas A&M in the regular-season finale and then fell to No. 1 Georgia, 50-30, in the SEC Championship Game.
- i. The second came in 2024 when LSU lost 38-23 to Texas A&M at Kyle Field, and then dropped the following game to Alabama at Tiger Stadium, 42-13. 7. LSU has faced Alabama following an open date every year since 2010 with the exception of 2020 when schedules were altered due to Covid.

## **GAME NOTES**

- 8. LSU coach Brian Kelly has a 22-5 mark in games immediately following an open date.
  - a. He's 2-2 at LSU following its 42-13 loss to Alabama.
- 9. Kelly and Alabama head coach Kalen DeBoer met for the first time Saturday night in Death Valley.
  - a. BK is 0-1 against DeBoer in his career.
- 10. For the 36th time, LSU was a part of the featured game on ESPN's College Gameday.
  - a. LSU is 22-14 overall when College Gameday features a contest with the Tigers.
- b. It marked the 14th time LSU will appear when College Gameday is in Baton Rouge, and LSU holds a record of 7-7 in those instances.
- c. It was the 12th time LSU and Alabama met when College Gameday was in town. LSU is 3-10 against the Tigers and Crimson Tide are the featured game.
- 11. Brian Kelly-coached teams have been outstanding when the calendar turns to November as they have won 22 of their last 25 games during the month dating back to his 2018 Notre Dame team.
- 12. LSU is 20-9 in games it has played as a Top 25 team under head coach Brian Kelly.
- 13. LSU made its 66th appearance on ABC and its record moved to 25-38-3.
- 14. LSU wore "BAGS" helmet decals in honor of the late Coach Charles Baglio. He passed away on Oct. 18, 2024.
- 15. Redshirt freshman Paul Mubenga earned the first start of his LSU career against Alabama.
  - a. Mubenga started in place of an injured Garrett Dellinger.

#### Offense

- 1. QB Garrett Nussmeier finished the game against Alabama going 27-for-42 for 239 yards with 1 TD and 2 INT.
- 2. RB Caden Durham was LSU's leading rusher on the night, recording 63 rushing yards on 8 attempts. His long of 45 yards came on the second play from scrimmage for the Tigers.
- 3. WR Kyren Lacy led the Tigers in receiving with 79 yards on 5 catches and one score.
- 4. Nussmeier found Lacy in the final minutes of the game to account for the 42-13 final score.

#### **Defense**

- 1. LB Whit Weeks led the LSU defense in tackles with 15.
  - a. Weeks tallied a half-TFL and one PBU throughout the contest.
- 2. Late in the first half, Weeks and DE Sai'vion Jones made a 4th-down stop to force a turnover on downs at the LSU 40-yard line.

## **Special Teams**

- 1. PK Damian Ramos was perfect on PATs (1-for-1).
- a. Ramos consecutive PATs streak moved to 117, giving him the second longest streak by a Tiger since former LSU PK Cade York's 118 straight PATs made.
- 2. Ramos got the Tigers on the board with a 23-yard FG to make the score 7-3 with 9:00 left in the 1Q.
  - a. Ramos' season numbers on FGs moved to 14-for-18.
- 3. Ramos knocked through a 43-yard FG with 8:26 remaining in the first half to cut the Tigers' deficit to 14-6.
  - a. Ramos' season numbers on FGs moved to 15-for-19.
- 4. P Blake Ochsendorf booted two punts on the night for 81 yards and an average of 40.5. One landed inside the 20.