

No. 19/20 LSU (5-3, 2-3 SEC) vs. No. 3 Texas A&M (8-0, 5-0 SEC) Postgame Notes

Saturday, Oct. 25, 2025 · Kickoff 6:49 p.m. CT · ABC

GAME INFORMATION

LSU Captains: LB Whit Weeks, TE Trey'Dez

Green, S Tamarcus Cooley

Coin Toss: A&M won, deferred; LSU re-

ceived

Weather: Partly cloudy, 71 degrees

Wind: Southeast at 8 mph Attendance: 101.924

Brian Kelly Career Record: 318-111-2 Brian Kelly LSU Record: 34-14 Brian Kelly vs. Texas A&M: 1-3 LSU vs. A&M All-Time: 36-25-3

LSU STARTERS

Offense

QB Garrett Nussmeier, RB Harlem Berry, WR Nic Anderson, WR Barion Brown, TE Bauer Sharp, TE Trey'Dez Green, LT Carius Curne, LG Coen Echols, C Braelin Moore, RG Josh Thompson, RT Weston Davis

Defense

EDGE Patrick Payton, EDGE Jack Pyburn, DT Jacobian Guillory II, DT Bernard Gooden, LB West Weeks, LB Harold Perkins Jr., S Tamarcus Cooley, S A.J. Haulcy, CB PJ Woodland, CB Mansoor Delane, NICK DJ Pickett

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General

- 1. LSU fell to No. 3 Texas A&M in Tiger Stadium on Oct. 25, 49-25.
- 2. LSU dropped to 5-3 overall mark and a 2-3 league record into the contest.
- a. LSU's loss at home marked the first loss for the home team in the series since 1994 when A&M won 18-13 in Baton Rouge.
- b. LSU is 6-1 in Tiger Stadium against Texas A&M since the Aggies joined the SEC in 2012.
- i. The Tigers won the last meeting between the teams in Death Valley, 42-30, in what was Heisman Trophy winner Jayden Daniels' final game in an LSU uniform.
- c. LSU head coach Brian Kelly faced a former assistant for the second consecutive week as A&M head coach Mike Elko coached under Kelly at Notre Dame in 2017, serving as defensive coordinator for the Irish.
- 3. LSU and Texas A&M have had a longstanding rivalry in football, one that dates back to the first game between the teams in 1899 when the Aggies beat the Tigers, 52-0, in College Station.
- a. Since that first meeting on Dec. 2, 1899, LSU has managed a 36-25-3 mark against the Aggies. The teams met annually from 1960-75 and then again from 1986-95.
- b. Following the 1995 game, the teams didn't meet again until the 2011 Cotton Bowl when LSU posted a 41-24 victory in Arlington. The teams have met every season since 2012 when Texas A&M joined the SEC.
- c. Since Texas A&M joined the SEC in 2012, LSU has managed a 9-5 mark against the Aggies, which includes a 6-1 record in Tiger Stadium.
- i. Texas A&M hasn't won in Tiger Stadium since an 18-13 victory in 1994 when the Tigers were coached by Curley Hallman.
- 4. Since the revival of the series in 2012, LSU has been ranked in the Top 25 10 times, while A&M has been ranked seven times.
- a. Texas A&M's No. 3 ranking is the highest for the matchup since the Aggies were No. 3 in a 33-17 win over unranked LSU in 1995.
- 5. LSU has won 22 of the last 24 night games in Death Valley, a streak that dates back to wins over UL-Monroe and Texas A&M to close out the 2021 season.
- a. Since the turn of the century (2000-24), LSU is 116-17 in night games in Tiger Stadium.
- b. LSU went 49-5 from 2000-09, 43-7 from 2010-19 and is 24-5 in those games since 2020.
- c. Of the 16 losses since the start of the 2000 season, eight have come to teams ranked in the Top 10 with five of those coming to teams ranked No. 1. LSU has only two non-conference losses in night games in Tiger Stadium since 2000 (UAB in 2000; Troy in 2017).
- 6. Under BK LSU is 20-2 in night games in Death Valley under head coach Brian Kelly.
- a. The Tigers have won four night games in Tiger Stadium this year after going 4-1 at night in Death Valley in 2024. LSU went 6-0 in home night games in 2022 and followed that with a 6-0 mark in 2023.
- i. LSU's other night game loss in Tiger Stadium under BK came against Alabama in 2024 by a 42-13 margin. Prior to the Alabama loss, LSU last dropped a night game in Tiger Stadium on Nov. 13, 2021 when Arkansas kicked a field goal in overtime to win, 16-13.
- 7. LSU's overall record in Tiger Stadium dropped to 23-3 under Brian Kelly with the

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defeat against Texas A&M on Oct. 25.

- a. LSU is 4-1 at home this year after posting a 6-1 mark in 2024.
- b. In 26 home games under BK, LSU's only three losses have come against then-No. 8 Tennessee (40-13 in 2022), then-No. 11 Alabama (42-13 in 2024), and No. 3 Texas A&M.
- 8. The Tigers' record against AP Top 10 teams improved to 37-32 since the turn of the century.
- a. LSU played its second AP Top Five opponent this season against Texas A&M, and it was the fourth time the Tigers have played an Aggie team that is ranked in the Top Five (First: 1993; Last: 2020).
- b. Since head coach Brian Kelly arrived in Baton Rouge in 2022, LSU has three victories over Top 10 teams, including Ole Miss and Alabama in 2022, and Ole Miss in 2024.
 - c. Kelly is 3-5 overall when facing an AP Top 10 opponent.
- 9. LSU is 9-4 under head coach Brian Kelly in games following a loss.
- a. The Tigers are 6-2 in games after a loss when the following contest is played in Tiger Stadium. LSU went 3-1 in those games in 2022, 3-0 in 2023 and 2-2 a year ago.
- 10. Under fourth-year head coach Brian Kelly, LSU is 19-10 in Southeastern Conference matchups.
- a. Kelly went 6-2 in 2022 and 2023, while his 2024 team finished with a 5-3 SEC record. LSU is 2-3 in conference games in 2025.
 - b. Under Kelly, LSU is 11-4 in conference matchups at home. LSU is 1-2 under Brian Kelly against Texas A&M.
- 11. Brian Kelly, now in his fourth year at LSU and 35th overall, is the winningest active college football coach no matter the division with 318 on-field wins. Kelly's overall mark stands at 318-111-2.
- a. He's the winningest coach in Notre Dame history (113 wins) in 12 years. He won 118 games and two Division II national titles in 13 years at Grand Valley State. He followed that with 19 wins in three years at Central Michigan and 34 victories in three seasons at Cincinnati.
- 12. LSU has an overall mark of 34-14 under head coach Brian Kelly since he took the LSU job prior to the 2022 season.
- a. LSU went 10-4 and captured the SEC Western Division title in 2022 followed by a 10-3 mark in 2023. Last year, LSU posted a 9-4 overall mark. LSU has won all three bowl games under Kelly and holds a 5-3 record in 2025.
- 13. LSU freshman CB DJ Pickett earned his first start at LSU in the nickelback position.

Offense

- 1. QB Garrett Nussmeier led the passing attack against Texas A&M, connecting on 22-of-35 passes for 168 yards and 1 TD.
- a. With 22 completions against the Aggies, Nussmeier's career completions moved to 642, which ranks 2nd all-time in LSU history. The program record holder in career completions is Tommy Hodson with 674.
- b. Nussmeier also moved into 2nd all-time at LSU in passing attempts with his 35 attempts against Texas A&M. Coming out of the A&M contest, Nussmeier has 1,011 total attempts, now only behind Hodson (1,163).
- 2. LSU freshman RB Harlem Berry was the leading rusher for the Tigers, carrying the ball 9 times for 59 yards.
- 3. WR Barion Brown led the receiving corps against the Aggies, reeling in 4 catches for 60 yards.
- 4. WR Aaron Anderson finished with 5 receptions and 59 yards against Texas A&M. With his 5 catches, Anderson surpassed 100 career receptions in his LSU career and now sits at 102 all of which have come in his three-year career with the Tigers.
- 5. Nussmeier found TE Trey'Dez Green for the fourth time this season in the endzone to tie the ballgame at 7 with 5:38 remaining in the first quarter.
 - a. The TD pass from Nussmeier was the 52nd of his career and his 12th of the season.
 - b. Green reeled in his fourth TD reception of the season and eighth overall since arriving in Baton Rouge.
- i. Green moved into sole possession of third in career TD receptions by an LSU tight end with 8 (4 in 2024, 4 in 2025). Richard Dickson and Brad Boyd are tied at No. 1 with 10. The single season record is 5
 - c. The scoring drive went 74 yards on 8 plays and drained 4:26 off the game clock.
 - d. The 74-yard drive marked the 7th this season within 70-79 yards that ended in a TD.
- 6. Freshman RB Harlem Berry capitalized on the good field position inside the Aggies 5-yard line and scored to give LSU the 15-14 lead with 3:09 left in the first half.
 - a. Berry's rushing TD marked the second of his young career at LSU.
 - b. The scoring drive went 75 yards on 8 plays and took 3:47 off the game clock.
 - c. The 75-yard drive marked the 8th this season within 70-79 yards that ended in a TD.
- 7. QB Michael Van Buren Jr. entered the ballgame for Nussmeier with 5:24 remaining in the game. Van Buren Jr. led the LSU offense down the field and connected with WR Kyle Parker in the back of the endzone to account for the final score, 49-25.
 - a. The TD pass for Van Buren was the 13th of his career and his second at LSU this season.
 - b. The TD reception for Parker was the 4th of his career and was his 3rd TD reception this season.
 - c. The scoring drive went 75 yards on 12 plays and took 5:13 off the game clock.
 - d. The 75-yard drive marked the 9th this season within 70-79 yards that ended with a TD.

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Defense

- 1. LSU's defense allowed 49 points against Texas A&M. The unit gave up 426 total yards (202 passing, 224 rushing).
- 2. S A.J. Haulcy led LSU in tackles with 13 in addition to his interception in the endzone negating a Texas A&M drive that was driving within the redzone.
- 3. With 6:56 remaining in the first half, S A.J. Haulcy picked off A&M QB Marcel Reed in the endzone and returned it 25 yards.
 - a. Haulcy's INT was the 9th of his career and the 2nd during his time at LSU.
- 4. LB Harold Perkins Jr. came up with the Tigers' second INT of the night after CB Mansoor Delane tipped a Reed pass to the right side of the field.
 - a. Perkins' INT was the third of his LSU career.
- b. LSU's offensive drive started at the A&M 49-yard line, which ended in a 30-yard FG conversion by PK Damian Ramos to extend the LSU lead to 18-14.

Special Teams

- 1. PK Damian Ramos went 2-for-3 on point after attempts.
- a. With 5 points scored on the night for Ramos, he became the all-time scoring leader in LSU history with 370, surpassing Colt David (369). Ramos had surpassed David on LSU's "points scored by kicking" career list with 365 against Vanderbilt. David scored a TD on a fake FG, thus the difference.
- 2. P Grant Chadwick recorded 7 punts for 321 yards, averaging 45.9 yards per kick.
- 3. S Jhase Thomas blocked a Texas A&M punt inside the Aggie 15-yard line with just over 12 minutes left in the first half.
 - a. The last time LSU blocked a punt for a safety was in 2022 vs. Southern (Micah Baskerville).
 - b. The last time LSU blocked a punt in an SEC game was in 2019 at Vanderbilt (Micah Baskerville).
 - c. The last time LSU blocked a punt for a safety in an SEC game was at Kentucky on October 16, 1999 (Jarvis Green).
- 3. Following a quick change on Harold Perkins' INT, Ramos knocked through a 30-yard FG to make the score 18-14, Tigers with 20 seconds left in the first half.
 - a. Ramos' career numbers improved to 59-for-75, while his season totals moved to 14-for-17.
 - b. The scoring drive for the Tigers went 36 yards on 6 plays and took 54 seconds off the game clock.
 - c. The 54-yard drive marked the 1st this season within 50-59 yards that ended with a FG.
 - d. The FG made by Ramos increased his career points scored to 369, tying Colt David for the program record.