



# PURDUE BOILERMAKERS

## Penn State 35, Purdue 31

**Date:** Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022  
**Location:** Ross-Ade Stadium, West Lafayette  
**Kickoff Time:** 8:05 p.m. ET  
**Total Time:** 3:59  
**Attendance:** 57,307  
**Weather at End:** 79, Clear, Wind W @ 0 mph

<b>Purdue</b>	0-1 Overall	0-1 Big Ten
<b>Penn State</b>	1-0 Overall	1-0 Big Ten

► SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	F
<b>Penn State</b>	0	21	0	14		35
<b>Purdue</b>	3	7	14	7		31

**► HEAD COACH JEFF BROHM**

- Is now 58-40 in his ninth year as a head coach overall
- Is now 28-30 in his sixth year as Purdue's head coach
- Is now 2-4 in season openers at Purdue

**► SERIES HISTORY VS. PENN STATE**

- Penn State leads the all-time series with Purdue 16-3-1
- Penn State extended its winning streak against Purdue to 10 games.

### BOILER NOTES

#### TEAM

- Purdue won the toss and deferred to the second half.
- Game captains were Cam Allen and Aidan O'Connell.
- Fourteen Boilermakers made their Purdue debuts: Cole Brevard, Elijah Canion, Nic Caraway, Sione Finau, Jah'von Grigsby, Bryce Hampton, Scotty Humpich, Joseph Jefferson, Daniel Johnson, Charlie Jones, Kobe Lewis, Mo Omonode, Reese Taylor, Tyrone Tracy.
- Five Boilermakers made their first start at Purdue: Charlie Jones, Marcus Mbow, Chris Jefferson, OC Brothers and Reese Taylor.
- Purdue outgained Penn State 426-406, falling to 23-5 under Jeff Brohm when outgaining the opponent.

#### OFFENSE

- On his 24th birthday, quarterback Aidan O'Connell completed 29-of-58 passes for 356 yards and one touchdown.
- O'Connell notched his ninth 300-yard passing game, moving him into sole control of fifth in program history.
- In his first game as a Boilermaker after transferring from Iowa, Charlie Jones posted career highs in receptions (12) and yards (153), while recording his first Purdue touchdown; it was Jones' second 100-yard game of his career.
- Senior running back King Doerue recorded a pair of rushing touchdowns, his second career game with two rushing touchdowns (Sept. 28, 2019 vs. Minnesota).
- O'Connell connected with 10 different receivers throughout the night.
- Wide receiver Mershawn Rice hauled in three receptions for a career-high 59 yards.
- Purdue was a perfect 4-for-4 in the red zone with three touchdowns and one field goal.

#### DEFENSE

- Chris Jefferson's interception was just his second at Purdue.
- Jefferson's interception return for a touchdown was the first since Jalen Graham took a pick 46 yards to pay dirt against Nebraska last year.
- The 72-yard pick six was the longest interception return for a touchdown since Ja'Whaun Bentley went 76 yards versus Minnesota (Oct. 7, 2017).
- Prince Boyd Jr. tied his career high with five tackles.
- The Boilermakers held the Nittany Lions to just 33 yards in a scoreless third quarter.
- Sanoussi Kane made three tackles to match his career high.
- Purdue held to Penn State to 5-of-14 on third down.

#### SPECIAL TEAMS

- Fineran made a field goal for the sixth straight game, connecting from 36 yards; Fineran is now 15 of his last 16.
- Punter Jack Ansell's 55-yard boot in the fourth quarter was the longest of his career.