

PURDUE BOILERMAKERS

Rutgers - 27, Purdue - 24

Date:	Saturday, Oct. 25, 2025 West Lafayette, Ind.		SCORE BY QUARTERS	1	2	3	4	OT	F	► WHAT'S NEXT FOR PURDUE
Location:			Rutgers		3	7	13	-	27	• Purdue will go on the road next Saturday with a 7:00 p.m. kick at No. 25
Kickoff Time:	: 12:01 PM		Purdue	10	0	7	7	-	24	Michigan on BTN.
Total Time:	3:06									
Attendance:	ndance: 55,289		► SERIES HISTORY VS. RUTGERS						► WHAT'S NEXT FOR RUTGERS	
Weather at End: 54 degrees, cloudy		• Purdue trails the all-time series 0-3 with an 0-2 mark in West Lafayette.						• Rutgers will travel to Champaign next Saturday for a matchup with No. 23		
Purdue	2-6 Overall O-5 Big Ten		• There were no matchups previous to the Scarlet Knights joining the Big						Illinois at noon on NBC.	
Rutgers	4-4 Overall	1-4 Big Ten	Ten in 2014.							

BOILER NOTES

TEAM

- Captains: Andarius Coffey, Jalen St. John, Mani Powell, Tony Grimes
- Purdue won the toss and deferred. Rutgers elected to receive in the south end zone.
- The Boilermakers committed no penalties for just the fourth time in the last 20 years.

OFFENSE

- Ryan Browne went 11-for-20 with 117 yards and one touchdown. He also added 12 yards on the ground.
- Purdue ran 28 times for 217 yardsn an average of 7.8 yards per carry tied the Boilermakers tenth highest mark since 1995.
- •Three Boilermakers (Devin Mockobee, Malachi Thomas, and Antonio Harris) had a rush of 30-or-more yards for the first time since 2018 vs. Eastern Michigan (D.J. Knox, Markell Jones, and Rondale Moore)
- Devin Mockobee had 16 carries for 91 rushing yards and tallied two receptions for 18 receiving yards and a touchdown.
- Mockobee moved to seventh all-time in Purdue career all-purpose yards, reaching a total of 3,864 yards.
- Mockobee is 13 rushing yards away from 3,000 in his career.
- •Thomas carried the ball three times for 50 rushing yards and a touchdown and had three receptions for a career-high 62 receiving yards.
- On the Boilermakers opening drive, Thomas broke away for a rush of 57 yards to the eight-yard line, which set him up to score his first touchdown as a Boilermaker on an eight-yard pass from Malachi Singleton. The 57-yard rush was the longest rush of the year for Purdue and Thomas' longest rush of his career.
- Purdue scored a touchdown on its opening drive for the fourth time this season.
- •Thomas had his second big play of the first quarter with a 44-yard reception to the eight-yard line on Purdue's second drive. He totaled 111 yards from scrimmage in the first quarter, the second Boilermaker to eclipse the 100-yard mark in the first quarter this season (Arhmad Branch 101 yards vs. Ball State).
- Thomas is the first Boilermaker with a rush of 40-or-more yards and a reception of 40-or-more yards in a game since Akeem Hunt in 2012 vs. Eastern Michigan. He is also the first Boilermaker with 50-or-more rushing yards and 50-or-more receiving yards in a game since Tyrone Tracy Jr. in 2023 vs. Minnesota.
- The Boilermakers 92-yard drive in the first quarter was their longest scoring drive of the season.
- · Nitro Tuggle found the end zone for the fourth time this season when he caught a 14-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter to take a 24-21 lead.

DEFENSE

- Purdue recorded a season-high five sacks.
- Four Boilermakers recorded at least 10 tackles on Saturday to become the first Big Ten team to acieve that this season.
- The Boilermakers had a takeaway for the third straight game.
- · Hershey McLaurin had a career day, recording career highs with 12 total tackles and one sack, one forced fumble and one pass breakup.
- McLaurin's forced a fumble for second straight game, the third of his career. He is the first Boilermaker to force a fumble in back-to-back games since Marvin Grant in 2020.
- $\, \cdot \,$ Tahj Ra-El recovered the fourth quarter fumble, the first recovery of his career.
- \bullet Ra-El had a career-high 15 total tackles.
- Mani Powell recorded at least 10 tackles for the third time in the last four games, and Charles Correa had his fifth game with 10-or-more tackles on the season.
- · Jamarrion Harkless followed McLaurin's sack with one of his own, making it the second time the Boilermakers have recorded back-to-back sacks this season.
- · C.J. Nunnally IV forced a fumble on a 12-yard sack, but it was recovered by Rutgers. It was Nunnally IV's fifth sack and first forced fumble of the year.
- Trey Smith recorded his first career sack.

SPECIAL TEAMS

- Spencer Porath made a 20-yard field goal in the first quarter. It was his 17th career field goal, giving him sole control of 14th on the all-time field goals made list for Purdue.
- Jack McCallister punted five times, forcing Rutgers to an average starting field position at their own 14.4-yard line. McCallister had four punts inside the 20 and one punt over 50 yards, bringing his season totals to 13 and 11, respectively. His 13 punts inside the 20 lead the Big Ten at the conclusion of the game.
- · Michael Jackson III took a kickoff return 56 yards to the Rutgers 41-yard line, Purdue's longest kick return of the year.