

# CLEMSON

## FOOTBALL



**NO. 6/6 CLEMSON (1-1, 0-0 ACC) vs. GEORGIA TECH (1-1, 0-0 ACC)**  
**SATURDAY, SEPT. 18 • 3:30 P.M. ET • MEMORIAL STADIUM (81,500) • CLEMSON, S.C.**



### GAME CENTER



**TELEVISION:** ABC (Bob Wischusen, Dan Orlovsky, Kris Budden)



**RADIO:** Clemson Athletic Network (Don Munson, Tim Bourret, Reggie Merriweather)

**SATELLITE RADIO:** Sirius 85, XM 85, Internet 85

### CLEMSON/GEORGIA TECH SERIES HISTORY:

- OVERALL: Clemson trails series, 33-51-2
- HOME: Clemson leads series, 16-6
- ROAD: Clemson trails series, 15-44-2
- NEUTRAL: Clemson leads, 2-1
- LAST MEETING: Oct. 17, 2020 (73-7, W)
- STREAK: Clemson, Won 6

### CLEMSON OPENS CONFERENCE PLAY SATURDAY VS. GEORGIA TECH

Clemson returns to Death Valley this week for its 2021 conference opener on Saturday, Sept. 18 when the Tigers host the Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets. Kickoff at Memorial Stadium is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. ET.

Clemson enters the contest having won 29 consecutive games at Death Valley, a school record and the nation's longest active streak. With a win on Saturday, Clemson can tie 1928-33 Tennessee, 1952-61 Auburn and 1994-99 Florida (30 each) for the 21st-longest home winning streak in FBS history. It would be the 24th home winning streak of 30 games or more in FBS history.

After being held to two yards on 23 rushing attempts (including seven sacks credited as rushes) in the season opener, Clemson entered last week's game against South Carolina State looking for improved production from its running game. The Tigers succeeded, gaining 242 yards on 36 carries, an average of 6.7 yards per rush. The 240-yard week-over-week improvement in rushing yards is Clemson's largest in a single season since a 276-yard jump from the Florida State game to the Louisville game in 2018.

Exciting true freshman running back Will Shipley led Clemson with 80 yards on eight carries with two rushing touchdowns, becoming the first Clemson true freshman to rush for two touchdowns in a game since Lyn-J Dixon in 2018. Shipley became the fifth true freshman under Dabo Swinney to average 10.0 yards per carry in a game on at least five carries, joining Dixon (twice in 2018), Travis Etienne (four times in 2017), Kelly Bryant (once in 2015) and Sammy Watkins (once in 2011).

### 2021 SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Date	Opponent	TV	Score/Time (ET)
9/4	vs. Georgia <sup>1</sup>	ABC	10-3 L
9/11	vs. SC STATE <sup>1</sup>	ACCN	49-3 W
9/18	vs. GEORGIA TECH <sup>2</sup>	ABC	3:30 p.m.
9/25	at NC State <sup>3</sup>	ABC or ESPN	3:30 p.m.
10/2	vs. BOSTON COLLEGE <sup>4</sup>	ACCN	TBA
10/9	- OPEN DATE -		
10/15	at Syracuse <sup>5</sup>	TBA	TBA
10/23	at Pitt <sup>6</sup>	TBA	TBA
10/30	vs. FLORIDA STATE <sup>4</sup>	TBA	TBA
11/6	at Louisville <sup>5</sup>	TBA	TBA
11/13	vs. UCONN <sup>6</sup>	TBA	TBA
11/20	vs. WAKE FOREST <sup>6</sup>	TBA	TBA
11/27	at South Carolina	TBA	TBA

\* - ACC contest; <sup>1</sup> - in Charlotte, N.C.; Note: Home games in bold; <sup>1</sup> First Responders Day; <sup>2</sup> Family Weekend/Football Reunion Day/Land Grant Day; <sup>3</sup> Homecoming; <sup>4</sup> IPTAY Day; <sup>5</sup> Military Appreciation Day; <sup>6</sup> Senior Day/Hall of Fame Day

Saturday's game will be a rematch of Clemson's 73-7 win at Georgia Tech in 2020, when Clemson's 66-point victory margin was the largest in conference play in ACC history.

In addition to celebrating Family Weekend, Clemson will celebrate Football Reunion Day on Saturday. After last year's Football Reunion Day was postponed during the COVID-19 pandemic, Clemson will celebrate multiple anniversary teams on Saturday, including squads celebrating anniversaries of five years, 10 years, 25 years and 50 years in 2020 or 2021. In line with those anniversaries, Clemson will welcome back members of the 1970, 1971, 1995, 1996, 2010, 2011, 2015 and 2016 squads for the game.

### MEDIA INFORMATION

#### DABO SWINNEY PRESS CONFERENCE

Head Coach Dabo Swinney holds his weekly press conference at the Team Meeting Room on the second floor of the Allen N. Reeves Football Complex each Tuesday at 11 a.m. Each Tuesday press conference will be available on [ClemsonTigers.com](http://ClemsonTigers.com) and additional Clemson channels.

#### COORDINATOR AVAILABILITY

Clemson offensive coordinator Tony Elliott will be available on Mondays at 11:45 a.m. in the Poe Indoor Facility on standard game weeks. Defensive Coordinator Brent Venables will be also available at the Poe Indoor Facility on Mondays.

#### STUDENT-ATHLETE INTERVIEWS

The majority of Clemson student-athlete interviews are held each Monday in the Poe Indoor Facility. Contact Ross Taylor and Brian Hennessy each Sunday by 4 p.m. with special requests for the week. Monday availability will typically start at 11 a.m. A few players may also be made available after Swinney's Tuesday press conference.

#### REMOTE ACCESS

Clemson will conduct trial runs of hybrid in-person and Zoom availabilities in the 2021 season. Media members wishing to participate in Monday and Tuesday availabilities with coordinators and players may reach out to Ross Taylor to request a Zoom link.

#### SWINNEY SUNDAY TELECONFERENCE

Head Coach Dabo Swinney will hold a Zoom teleconference each Sunday at 6 p.m. Contact Ross Taylor to request access to the call.

#### GAME CREDENTIALS

Media wishing to apply for credentials to cover Clemson Football games at Memorial Stadium will be asked to apply at [www.sportssystem.com/clemson](http://www.sportssystem.com/clemson). Please contact Chandler Simpson at [mcsimp2@clemson.edu](mailto:mcsimp2@clemson.edu) with any questions or concerns. All credentialing decisions are made in accordance with the Clemson University Athletics Media Credential Policy, available at [ClemsonTigers.com/mediapolicy](http://ClemsonTigers.com/mediapolicy).

#### WEEKLY ACCESS

Media members should contact Ross Taylor or Brian Hennessy to request access to player and coach media availability at the Allen N. Reeves Football Complex. All credentialing decisions are made in accordance with the Clemson University Athletics Media Credential Policy, available at [ClemsonTigers.com/mediapolicy](http://ClemsonTigers.com/mediapolicy).

#### YOUTUBE INTERVIEW ARCHIVE

Clemson Athletic Communications archives most interviews for reference by the media. Search "Clemson Sports Information" on YouTube and visit the Clemson Sports Information user page to access archived interviews and press conferences dating to 2019. Most videos have been timestamped in the description for easy searching, reference and navigating by members of the media.

#### COLLEGE PRESS BOX.COM

Clemson media information will be uploaded to CollegePressBox.com. Access and download weekly game notes, quotes, statistics, media guides, headshots, logos and more for each conference and its member schools. Register for access at [collegepressbox.com/register](http://collegepressbox.com/register).

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<b>Practice Facility</b>	Allen N. Reeves Football Complex, 100 Reeves Way Clemson, SC 29634
<b>Stadium</b>	1 Avenue of Champions, Clemson, SC 29634
<b>Mailing Address</b>	P.O. Box 31 Clemson, SC 29633

## WHAT TO WATCH FOR THIS WEEK

- Clemson attempting to win a 30th consecutive home game to extend its school record for both the longest home winning streak and longest home unbeaten streak in school history (as well as extend the nation's longest active home winning streak). Of the 135 players on Clemson's 2021 roster, 130 have never experienced a home loss in their Clemson careers. Five sixth-year "super seniors" on Clemson's 2021 roster were on the 2016 team that recovered from a home loss to Pitt by winning the national championship that season.

- Clemson (29) winning a 30th straight home game to record the 24th home winning streak of 30 games or more in FBS history.

- Clemson (29) attempting to tie 1928-33 Tennessee, 1952-61 Auburn and 1994-99 Florida (30 each) for the 21st-longest home winning streak in FBS history.

- Clemson attempting to add to its national-best 48-1 record at home in the College Football Playoff era (since 2014).

- Clemson attempting to earn its 34th all-time victory against Georgia Tech. Georgia Tech is one of 11 schools against whom Clemson has earned at least 30 all-time victories (South Carolina, Wake Forest, North Carolina State, Furman, Virginia, North Carolina, Duke, Maryland, Presbyterian and The Citadel).

- Clemson attempting to win its seventh consecutive game against Georgia Tech, dating to a 43-24 home win in 2015. It would extend Clemson's longest winning streak in the all-time series, as the current six-game streak already surpassed four-game winning streaks across the 1898-1903 seasons and the 1993-96 campaigns.

- Clemson attempting to win a seventh straight home contest against Georgia Tech, dating back to 2010. The current six-game home winning streak against the Yellow Jackets is already Clemson's longest such streak in the series history.

- Clemson attempting to record its 17th all-time home win against Georgia Tech.

- Dabo Swinney attempting to improve to 10-5 all-time against Georgia Tech, including postseason play. Georgia Tech would become the fourth school against which Swinney has recorded double-digit victories (Boston College, 12; Wake Forest, 12; NC State, 10).

- Swinney attempting to win an 86th ACC regular season game to break a tie with George Welsh for second-most regular season conference wins in ACC history.

- Swinney attempting to earn his 142nd career win to tie Steve Spurrier for the sixth-most wins through the first 15 years of a coaching career in FBS history. Of note, Swinney is only in his 14th season (including an interim season in 2008).

- Clemson playing its first conference game of the season against the Yellow Jackets for the fourth time in a six-year span (2016, 2018, 2019 and 2021). Clemson is 42-25-1 all-time in ACC season debuts, including a 10-2 mark against Georgia Tech in those games.

- Clemson attempting to improve to 43-25-1 in conference openers since joining the ACC.

- Clemson attempting to improve to 53-3 against ACC opponents (including postseason play) since the start of the 2015 season.

- Clemson attempting to improve to 34-8 against opponents historically from the ACC Coastal Division, including postseason play, under Head Coach Dabo Swinney. That figure includes games against traditional Coastal opponents in a divisionless season in 2020. Clemson has won 19 of its last 20 games against the Coastal Division since 2015.

- Clemson attempting to improve to 25-1 in

September games since 2015. Clemson and Alabama are currently tied for the best September record in that span at 24-1 each.

- Clemson attempting to improve to 69-4 in regular season play since the start of the 2015 season.

- Clemson attempting to win a 36th consecutive game against teams unranked in the AP Poll. Clemson's last defeat at the hands of an unranked squad came in 2017 at Syracuse. Clemson is 109-12 against AP-unranked teams under Dabo Swinney.

- Clemson entering the game having not surrendered a defensive touchdown this season. The only touchdown allowed by Clemson this year came on a pick-six against Georgia.

- Clemson attempting to hold three consecutive offenses out of the end zone for the first time since 1990 (Appalachian State, Duke and Georgia).

- Clemson attempting to not allow an offensive touchdown in all of the first three games of a season for the first time since 1950, when Clemson shut out Presbyterian, Missouri and NC State in the season's first three contests.

- Clemson attempting to hold three consecutive opponents under 275 yards for the first time since a four-game stretch against Florida State, Louisville, Boston College and Wofford in 2019.

- Clemson attempting to hold an opponent to 10 or fewer points for the fifth time in six games, dating back to last season.

- Clemson, which held SC State to nine first downs a week ago, attempting to hold consecutive opponents to single-digit first downs for the first time since last year's Miami and Georgia Tech games.

- Clemson attempting to hold a third consecutive opponent to 150 or fewer passing yards for the first time since a six-game streak in the middle of the 2019 season. It would be Clemson's first time doing so in the first three games of a season since 2000 against The Citadel, Missouri and Wake Forest.

- Clemson attempting to produce back-to-back 500-yard games offensively for the first time since last year's Miami and Georgia Tech games.

- Clemson attempting to score 40 or more points in consecutive games for the first time since a three-game streak against Notre Dame, Pitt and Virginia Tech last season.

- Clemson attempting to compile 600 yards of offense against Georgia Tech for a third consecutive meeting between the two teams. Clemson has accrued 632 and 671 yards, respectively, in the teams' last two meetings. It would represent Clemson's first time recording 600 yards in three consecutive meetings with a single opponent.

- Clemson attempting to rush for five touchdowns in consecutive games for the first time since 2019 (vs. Wofford and NC State).

- Clemson attempting to hold consecutive opponents without a sack for the first time since the 2018 season finale against Alabama and 2019 season opener against Georgia Tech.

- Running back Lyn-J Dixon attempting to become the first Clemson running back with a receiving touchdown in consecutive games since his position coach, C.J. Spiller, against Florida State and NC State in 2009.

- Placekicker B.T. Potter (253 career points) needing eight points to tie or nine points to pass Chris Gardocki (261 from 1988-90) for 10th-most career points in Clemson history.

- Potter (33 career field goals) needing one more field goal to enter the Top 10 in Clemson history in career field goals.

- Potter (154 career PATs) needing 10 more PATs to

## QUICK FACTS - CLEMSON

<b>Nickname</b>	Tigers
<b>Location</b>	Clemson, S.C. 29633
<b>Colors</b>	Tiger Orange & Regalia
<b>Founded</b>	1889
<b>Enrollment (2020-21)</b>	26,406
<b>President</b>	Dr. James P. Clements (Maryland-Baltimore County '85)
<b>Director of Athletics</b>	Dan Radakovich (Indiana (Pa.) '80)
<b>Conference</b>	Atlantic Coast Conference (Atlantic Division)
<b>Facility (Capacity)</b>	Memorial Stadium (81,500)
<b>Year Opened</b>	1942
<b>Record at Facility</b>	323-102-7 (.756)
<b>All-Time Hill Runs</b>	416
<b>Record Crowd</b>	86,092 (Oct. 23, 1999 vs. Florida State)
<b>Head Coach</b>	Dabo Swinney (Alabama '93)
Years as a full-time college coach (inc. GA)*	26
Winning seasons (HC & Asst. & GA)*	26
Bowl seasons (HC & Asst. & GA)*	22
Record as an assistant coach	106-58-1 (.645)
Record as a head coach^	141-34 (.806)
Home	80-7 (.920)
Road	43-18 (.705)
Neutral site	18-9 (.667)
Conference opp. (inc. postseason)	92-18 (.836)
Bowls	10-7 (.588)
Record at Clemson (HC & Asst.)	184-59 (.757)
* entering 2021; ^ all at Clemson	
<b>First Year of Football</b>	1896
<b>Seasons of Football (inc. 2021)</b>	126
<b>Overall Record</b>	769-463-45
<b>Regular Season Record</b>	736-440-45
<b>Record in ACC Play (since 1953)</b>	313-145-6
ACC regular season play*	306-144-6
ACC Championship Games	7-1
* According to ACC records	
<b>National Championships</b>	3
	(1981, 2016, 2018)
<b>Conference Championships</b>	26
SIAA (4)	1900,02,03^,06^
Southern (2)	1940,48
ACC (20)	1956,58,59,65,66,67,78,81,82,86
	87,88,91,2011,15,16,17,18,19,20
^ indicates co-championship	
<b>Bowl Appearances (including 2020)</b>	47
Bowl Record	25-22
First appearance	1939 (1940 Cotton Bowl)
<b>College Football Playoff Berths</b>	6
	2015, 2016*, 2017, 2018*, 2019, 2020
* denotes National Championship	
<b>Consensus All-Americans</b>	31*
*Counts Terry Kinard (1981-82) and Vic Beasley (2013-14) twice for earning multiple selections	
<b>AP First-Team All-Americans</b>	27*
*Counts Terry Kinard (1981-82) and Clelin Ferrell (2017-18) twice for earning multiple selections	

tie Aaron Hunt (164 from 2000-03) for third in Clemson history in career PATs.

- Potter entering the game with five career field goals of 50 yards or more. He is presently tied for the school record for career 50-yard field goals with Chris Gardocki (1988-90) and Donald Igwebuike (1981-84).

- Wide receiver Justyn Ross attempting to catch a touchdown pass in consecutive games for the first time since 2019 against South Carolina and Virginia.

- Ross (1,943) needing 57 receiving yards to become the 16th player in school history to reach 2,000 career receiving yards.

- Ross (18) needing one receiving touchdown to tie current Clemson graduate assistant Artavis Scott (19 from 2014-16) for seventh-most career receiving touchdowns in school history.

- Ross (18) needing two receiving touchdowns to join DeAndre Hopkins (27 from 2010-12), Sammy Watkins (27 from 2011-13), Tee Higgins (27 from 2017-19), Mike Williams (21 from 2013-16), Aaron Kelly (20

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from 2005-08) and Deon Cain (20 from 2015-17) as on the only players in Clemson history with at least 20 career receiving touchdowns.

- Running back Will Shipley attempting to become the first Clemson true freshman with a rushing touchdown in back-to-back games since Lyn-J Dixon against Wake Forest and NC State in 2018.

- Shipley attempting to become the first Clemson player to rush for multiple touchdowns in multiple games as a true freshman since Travis Etienne (three) in 2017. To date, Etienne (three in 2017) and Deshaun Watson (two in 2014) are the only true freshmen to accomplish the feat in the Dabo Swinney era.

- Punter Will Spiers starting his 59th game to add to his school record for career starts broken last week. Wide receiver/holder Will Swinney's career total as Clemson's primary holder parallels Spiers' run as starting punter.

- Spiers, Swinney and linebacker James Skalski each playing in their 59th career games to tie the school record for most career games played shared by tight end Cannon Smith (2015-18), defensive tackle Christian Wilkins (2015-18), safety Tanner Muse (2016-19) and safety K'Von Wallace (2016-19).

- Quarterback DJ Uigalelei entering the game having thrown for 300 yards in two of his four career starts. He is already one of only 13 Clemson quarterbacks with a 300-yard passing game to their credit and one of only seven with multiple 300-yard passing games. Another 300-yard passing game would be his third and would bring him within one of tying his position coach — Passing Game Coordinator/Quarterbacks Coach Brandon Streeter (four) — for fifth-most in school history.

- Uigalelei attempting to score a rushing touchdown in back-to-back games for the second time in his career (vs. Boston College and at Notre Dame in 2020).

- Uigalelei attempting to become the first Clemson quarterback with multiple rushing touchdowns in consecutive games since Kelly Bryant's three-game streak in September 2017.

## -- ON THE OPPONENT --

### SERIES HISTORY VS. GEORGIA TECH

Georgia Tech holds a 51-33-2 lead in the series against Clemson, but Clemson has a 22-17 lead since Georgia Tech joined the ACC prior to the 1983 football season.

Clemson has won a program-record six in a row against Georgia Tech. Prior to the current six-game winning streak, Clemson had won four in a row over the Yellow Jackets just three times, including the first four games of the series from 1898-1903 as well as a four-game stretch from 1993-96.

Dabo Swinney was already the first Clemson coach to beat Georgia Tech four consecutive times and will attempt to push that streak to seven with a win this year. Clemson had multiple coaches in the two Clemson four-game winning streaks in the series predating the current streak.

The series dates to a 23-0 Clemson win in Augusta, Ga. in 1898, just the 11th game in Clemson football history. Clemson won the first four games of the series, including games in 1902 and 1903 when John Heisman was at the helm. Clemson defeated Georgia Tech, 73-0, in Atlanta in 1903 with Heisman as head coach. Heisman then left Clemson to become Georgia Tech's head coach.

vs. GEORGIA TECH (33-51-2)							
Year	CU	GAT	Rank	Site	W-L	CU	GT

1898	2-1	0-1		N1	W	23	0
1899	3-2	0-3		N2	W	41	5
1902	1-0	0-1		A	W	44	5
1903	1-0	0-0		A	W	73	0
1904	2-2	5-1		A	T	11	11
1905	3-1-1	1-0		A	L	10	17
1906	3-0-3	4-2		A	W	10	0
1907	3-4	3-4		A	W	6	5
1908	1-5	5-3		A	L	6	30
1909	6-2	6-2		A	L	3	29
1910	4-2-1	4-3		A	L	0	34
1911	3-4	5-2-1		A	L	0	31
1912	4-3	4-3-1		A	L	0	23
1913	4-3	6-2		A	L	0	34
1914	5-2-1	5-2		A	L	6	26
1918	1-0	0-0		A	L	0	28
1919	2-0	3-0		A	L	0	28
1920	3-3-1	5-1		A	L	0	7
1921	1-3-1	5-1		A	L	7	48
1922	3-1	4-2		A	L	7	21
1932	1-0	0-0		A	L	14	32
1933	0-0-1	0-0		A	L	2	39
1934	1-0	0-0		A	L	7	12
1936	3-3	3-1-1		A	W	14	13
1937	3-3	4-2		A	L	0	7
1943	2-5	5-3	-/15	A	L	6	41
1944	1-0	0-0		A	L	0	51
1945	5-2-1	4-4		A	W	21	7
1953	2-3-1	5-1-1	-/6	A	L	7	20
1958	5-1	4-2-1	17/-	A	L	0	13
1959	2-0	2-0	6/7	A	L	6	16
1962	0-0	0-0		A	L	9	26
1963	0-1	1-0	-/9	A	L	0	27
1964	1-1	2-0		A	L	7	14
1965	2-0	0-1-1		A	L	6	38
1966	1-0	2-0	-/9	A	L	12	13
1967	1-1	2-0		A	L	0	10
1968	0-1-1	1-1		A	L	21	24
1969	1-1	2-0		A	W	21	10
1970	2-1	3-0	-/15	A	L	7	28
1971	0-2	1-2		A	L	14	24
1972	1-2	2-1-1		A	L	9	31
1973	1-1	0-2		A	L	21	29
1974	0-2	1-2		H	W	21	17
1975	0-2	1-1		A	L	28	33
1976	1-1	0-2		A	T	24	24
1977	1-1	1-1		A	W	31	14
1983	1-1-1	0-2		H	W	41	14
1984	2-1	2-2	13/20	A	L	21	28
1985	1-1	1-1		H	L	3	14
1986	1-1	1-0-1		A	W	27	3
1987	3-0	1-1	9/-	H	W	33	12
1988	2-1	1-1	12/-	A	W	30	13
1989	5-1	1-3	14/-	H	L	14	30
1990	5-1	4-0	15/18	A	L	19	21
1991	2-0	2-1	7/19	H	W	9	7
1992	1-1	1-0	16/-	A	L	16	20
1993	1-1	2-0		H	W	16	13
1994	4-5	1-7		H	W	20	10
1995	4-3	4-3		A	W	24	3
1996	3-3	4-1	-/22	H	W	28	25
1997	2-1	1-1	17/-	A	L	20	23
1998	2-7	6-2	-/22	H	L	21	24
1999	5-4	6-2	-/13	A	L	42	45
2000	8-0	5-2	5/-	H	L	28	31
2001	2-1	3-0	-/9	A	W <sup>(OT)</sup>	47	44
2002	1-1	2-0		H	W	24	19
2003	2-1	1-2		A	W	39	3
2004	1-0	1-0	20/-	H	L	24	28
2005	4-3	4-2		A	L	9	10
2006	6-1	5-1	12/13	H	W	31	7
2007	4-0	2-2	13/-	A	L	3	13
2008	3-3	5-1		H	L	17	21
2009	1-0	1-0	-/15	A	L	27	30
	8-4	10-2	25/12	N3	L	34	39
2010	3-3	5-2		H	W	27	13
2011	8-0	6-2	6/-	A	L	17	31
2012	4-1	2-3	15/-	H	W	47	31
2013	8-1	6-3	8/-	H	W	55	31
2014	7-2	8-2	18/24	A	L	6	28
2015	4-0	2-3	6/-	H	W	43	24
2016	3-0	3-0	5/-	A	W	26	7
2017	6-1	4-2	7/-	H	W	24	10
2018	3-0	1-2	3/-	A	W	49	21

## PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

### COACHES

HC Dabo Swinney	DAB-oh SWEE-nee
DE Coach Lemanski Hall	LUH-man-skee

### PLAYERS

WR Ajou Ajou	uh-JOE uh-JOE
LB LaVonta Bentley	luh-VAHN-tay
DL Bryan Bresee	bru-h-ZEE
TE Jake Briningstool	BRENN-ing-stool
DL DeMonte Capehart	duh-MON-tay
WR Dacari Collins	duh-CAR-ee
LB David Cote	COAT-ee
DE Cade Denhoff	DEN-hoff
RB Michel Dukes	Michael
OL Ryan Linthicum	LINTH-uhh-cumm
RB Phil Mahaf	MAH-fuh
DL Justin Mascoll	MASS-cull
LB Matt McMahan	MACK-muh-han
S Andrew Mukuba	MUH-koo-buh
WR Joseph Ngata	ehn-GAHT-uh
DL Ruke Orhorhoro	rhymes with "juke"; oh-ROH-roh-roh
QB Taisun Phommachanh	TY-suhn; POO-muh-chahn
DL Etinosa Reuben	eh-tee-OH-sah
LB James Skalski	SKAL-skee
LB Baylon Spector	BAY-lehn
WR Troy Stellato	STELL-ought-oh
P Will Spiers	SPY-urs
OL Paul Tchio	TEE-oh
OL Bryn Tucker	BRINE
DL Xavier Thomas	ehx-ZAYV-yuhr
QB DJ Uigalelei	ooh-ee-AHN-guh-luh-lay
DE Regan Upshaw	RAY-ghen
K Jonathan Weitz	Whites

## COACH LOCATIONS

### FIELD LEVEL

Coach	Title(s)
Dabo Swinney	Head Coach
Brent Venables	Associate Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator, Linebackers
Todd Bates	Recruiting Coordinator, Defensive Tackles
Brandon Streeter	Passing Game Coordinator, Quarterbacks
Robbie Caldwell	Offensive Line
Tyler Grisham	Wide Receivers
Mike Reed	Cornerbacks
C.J. Spiller	Running Backs

### COACHES BOOTH

Coach	Title(s)
Tony Elliott	Assistant Head Coach, Offensive Coordinator, Tight Ends
Mickey Conn	Special Teams Coordinator, Safeties
Lemanski Hall	Defensive Ends

2019	0-0	0-0	1/-	H	W	52	14
2020	4-0	2-2	1/-	A	W	73	7
<b>Totals</b>						<b>1641</b>	<b>1762</b>

N1 - Augusta, Ga.; N2 - Greenville, S.C.; N3 - Tampa, Fla.

## SERIES HIGHLIGHTS

- Every game between the two teams between 1907-74 was held in Atlanta. Clemson's only wins in those 36 meetings came in 1907, 1936, 1945 and 1969, the last of which was Frank Howard's final season as head coach. Howard won just twice (1945 and 1969) in his career in Atlanta, but Clemson made the trip every year to help balance the athletic department budget. Howard was also athletic director his entire time as head coach (1940-69).

- The two teams have played on a neutral site just three times. Clemson won a 23-0 victory in 1898 in



Augusta, Ga. and earned a 41-5 win in Greenville, S.C. in 1899. Georgia Tech won a later-vacated ACC title game in Tampa in 2009, 39-34.

- The first time Georgia Tech played at Memorial Stadium in Clemson was 1974, a 21-17 Clemson victory. Clemson won that game on a three-yard touchdown pass from Mike O'Cain (later a head coach at NC State) to All-America tight end Bennie Cunningham with 8:26 left.

- Woodrow Dantzler had one of the best all-around games of his career with 164 yards rushing and 254 yards passing in Clemson's victory in Atlanta in 2001. He threw for two scores and ran for two, including a 38-yard "Hail Mary Run" on the last play of the first half to cut Tech's lead to 19-14 at intermission. His 63-yard scoring pass to J.J. McKelvey with 1:58 left put Clemson ahead by three, but Tech tied the count with a 20-yard field goal with just six seconds left. Dantzler's "walk-off" 11-yard touchdown in overtime gave Clemson the win.

- Clemson has had just five games in its history in which both teams scored in the 40s. The first two took place at Georgia Tech. Tech won, 45-42, in 1999 and Clemson won, 47-44, in overtime in 2001 in Atlanta.

- One of the most unusual statistical occurrences in Clemson history took place during Clemson's 33-12 victory over Georgia Tech in 1987 at Clemson. Clemson entered the game with a streak of 999 consecutive combined punt returns and kickoff returns without a touchdown dating to 1970. Then, on the 1,000th return, Donnell Woolford raced 78 yards with a punt return for a touchdown. Then, later in the game Joe Henderson returned a kickoff return 95 yards for a touchdown. It is one of just two games in Clemson history that the Tigers have returned a punt return for a touchdown and a kickoff return for a touchdown. The other took place in 2009 when Clemson defeated Middle Tennessee State.

- C.J. Spiller had arguably the best game of his Clemson career against Georgia Tech in the 2009 ACC Championship Game. The unanimous All-American had a career-high 233 yards rushing in 20 attempts and scored four touchdowns. He had 301 all-purpose yards and was named the MVP of the game even though Clemson lost 39-34. It is the only time a player on the losing team has been named the MVP of any conference championship game.

## LAST MEETING

### Clemson 73, Georgia Tech 7

(Oct. 17, 2020, Atlanta, Ga.)

ATLANTA — Clemson piled up 52 points in the first half behind five touchdown passes from quarterback Trevor Lawrence in the top-ranked Tigers' 73-7 win over Georgia Tech. Clemson pushed its school-best road winning streak to 14 games and its ACC-record regular season winning streak to 34 games.

Clemson's 52 points were its most in a first half against an ACC opponent, breaking its previous record of 49 against Wake Forest in 1981. Lawrence completed 22-of-27 passes for 391 yards and five touchdowns in the first half alone. Lawrence finished with a career-best 404 yards through the air.

Wide receiver Amari Rodgers found the end zone twice and recorded the third 100-yard game of his career in a career-high 161-yard performance. Running back Travis Etienne recorded a touchdown on 11 rushing attempts for 44 yards, giving him a touchdown in 40 of his 48 career games to that point.

The Tiger defense forced three turnovers and totaled five sacks. It marked the 11th straight game Clemson recorded multiple sacks.

Clemson opened the scoring when Lawrence found Cornell Powell for a five-yard touchdown. The Yellow Jackets responded with a 59-yard touchdown pass to even the score at 7-7.

The Tigers came back on the first play of their ensuing possession with an 83-yard bomb of their own from Lawrence to Rodgers to start their run of 66 unanswered points. The play was the longest of Clemson's season and the second-longest connection between the pair.

After a fourth down stop by the Tiger defense, Lawrence delivered a 34-yard touchdown pass to Davis Allen for his second career touchdown reception and second in as many weeks to give Clemson a 24-7 advantage.

Defensive tackle Nyles Pinckney got in on the scoring with a one-yard touchdown run in the second quarter. The Tigers would add three more second quarter touchdowns, scored by Frank Ladson, Jr., Travis Etienne and Rodgers before entering halftime with a commanding 52-7 lead. Etienne's three-yard rushing touchdown gave him 408 career points which broke Chandler Catanzaro's school record of 404.

Chez Mellusi, Kobe Pace and Ajou Ajou would add second half touchdowns. Pace's was the first of his career and came on Hunter Helms's first career touchdown pass. Ajou's touchdown marked the first of his career. The Tigers defense closed out the game as Clemson cruised to its sixth consecutive victory over the Yellow Jackets.

## RECORD DAY IN 'THE A' LAST YEAR

Clemson's 73-7 win at Georgia Tech in 2020 resonated historically. Among the superlatives from that contest:

- Clemson's 66-point victory margin was the largest in a game between two ACC teams since the conference's inception in 1953.

- The 66-point victory margin tied for Clemson's seventh-largest in school history and its largest since a 66-point win against South Carolina State in 2014. It was Clemson's second-largest win all-time against a school presently in the Football Bowl Subdivision, trailing only a 73-0 victory against Georgia Tech in 1903.

## VICTORY MARGIN BY CLEMSON (THROUGH 2021)

Margin	CU-Opp.	Site - Opponent	Date
+122	122-0	H - Guilford	10-5-1901
+94	94-0	A - Furman	9-25-1915
+76	76-0	H - Presbyterian College	9-22-1945
+75	75-0	H - Newberry	10-17-1930
+73	73-0	A - Georgia Tech	10-17-1903
+68	68-0	H - Newberry	9-21-1929
<b>+66</b>	<b>73-7</b>	<b>A - Georgia Tech</b>	<b>10-17-2020</b>
+66	73-7	H - SC State	9-6-2014
+66	66-0	H - Presbyterian College	9-21-1957

- Clemson's 73 points represented Clemson's third-most against an ACC opponent all-time, trailing its 82-point performance against Wake Forest in 1981 and its 77 points against Louisville in 2018. However, both of those performances came at home, so Clemson's output against Georgia Tech was the most scored by Clemson in an ACC road game all-time, passing its 63 at Wake Forest in 2018.

- Clemson's 73 points tied for Clemson's second-most points in a road game in school history, trailing its 94 against Furman in 1915 and matching its 73 at Georgia Tech in 1903.

## RANKINGS REPORT

### ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL (SEPT. 12)

Rk.	School (First-Place Votes)	Record	Pts.
1.	Alabama (60)	2-0	1572
2.	Georgia (3)	2-0	1514
3.	Oklahoma	2-0	1402
4.	Oregon	2-0	1355
5.	Iowa	2-0	1263
<b>6.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1246</b>
7.	Texas A&M	2-0	1206
8.	Cincinnati	2-0	1149
9.	Ohio State	1-1	1029
10.	Penn State	2-0	1005
11.	Florida	2-0	935
12.	Notre Dame	2-0	926
13.	UCLA	2-0	804
14.	Iowa State	1-1	593
15.	Virginia Tech	2-0	591
16.	Coastal Carolina	2-0	562
17.	Ole Miss	2-0	550
18.	Wisconsin	1-1	499
19.	Arizona State	2-0	341
20.	Arkansas	2-0	277
21.	North Carolina	1-1	268
22.	Auburn	2-0	233
23.	BYU	2-0	213
24.	Miami (Fla.)	1-1	177
25.	Michigan	2-0	163

**Others receiving votes:** UCF 111, TCU 103, Liberty 52, Michigan State 44, USC 39, Indiana 34, LSU 31, Kansas State 30, Nevada 28, Oklahoma State 27, Texas 23, Maryland 14, Pittsburgh 13, Kentucky 13, Stanford 10, Utah 9, Boston College 8, Arizona 6, Toledo 2, Texas Tech 2, Fresno State 2, Army 1

### USA TODAY SPORTS AFCA COACHES POLL (SEPT. 12)

Rk.	School (First-Place Votes)	Record	Pts.
1.	Alabama (64)	2-0	1624
2.	Georgia (1)	2-0	1558
3.	Oklahoma	2-0	1454
4.	Oregon	2-0	1356
5.	Texas A&M	2-0	1307
<b>6.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>1-1</b>	<b>1279</b>
7.	Iowa	2-0	1165
8.	Cincinnati	2-0	1114
9.	Florida	2-0	1095
10.	Notre Dame	2-0	1059
11.	Ohio State	1-1	1041
12.	Penn State	2-0	995
13.	UCLA	2-0	787
14.	Iowa State	1-1	611
15.	Virginia Tech	2-0	591
16.	Ole Miss	2-0	546
17.	Wisconsin	1-1	537
18.	Coastal Carolina	2-0	492
19.	North Carolina	1-1	300
20.	Auburn	2-0	264
21.	Arizona State	2-0	246
22.	Oklahoma State	2-0	222
23.	BYU	2-0	213
24.	Arkansas	2-0	196
25.	Michigan	2-0	180

**Others receiving votes:** Miami (Fla.) 137, USC 99, UCF 65, Liberty 63, Michigan State 63, TCU 57, Pittsburgh 52, Kentucky 50, Utah 41, Texas 36, Kansas State 28, Indiana 28, LSU 26, Boston College 22, Nevada 18, Fresno State 13, SMU 10, Rutgers 10, Army 9, Mississippi State 9, Louisiana 9, San Diego State 9, Tulane 6, Maryland 6, NC State 5, San José State 5, Marshall 4, Virginia 4, Air Force 3, Stanford 3, UTSA 1, Memphis 1, Boise State 1

## POINTS IN ROAD/NEUTRAL GAME BY CLEMSON

Pts	CU-Opp.	Site - Opponent	Date
94	94-0	A - Furman	9-25-1915
73	73-7	A - Georgia Tech	10-17-2020
73	73-0	A - Georgia Tech	10-17-1903
63	63-3	A - Wake Forest	10-6-2018
63	63-9	N1 - Temple	10-12-2006
63	63-17	A - South Carolina	11-22-2003

- Clemson opened the game with a modern-era school-record 52 points in the first half. Clemson's previous high against an ACC opponent in a first half was 49 in its opening two frames against Wake Forest in its national championship campaign in 1981.

- Clemson produced 473 yards in the first half, only 14 yards shy of the school record for yards in a half (487 vs. Duke in 2012).

- Clemson tied a school record for points in a quarter with 35 in the second quarter, matching its second quarter against Wake Forest in 1981 and its third quarter against North Carolina in 2011.

- Clemson threw seven passing touchdowns, breaking the school record of six set previously against Central Michigan in 2007, against Duke in 2012, against North Carolina in 2014 and against South Carolina in 2016.

- Four different players (including starting punter and emergency quarterback Will Spiers) completed at least two passes and 17 different players caught a pass to contribute to the Tigers' second 500-yard passing day in school history. Clemson's 17 different players recording a reception were its most in a single-game under Dabo Swinney.

## MOST DIFFERENT PLAYERS TO RECORD A RECEPTION IN A GAME UNDER DABO SWINNEY

Rk	Opponent	Date	Players
1.	Georgia Tech	10/17/20	17
2.	South Carolina State	9/17/16	15
	Kent State	9/2/17	15
	The Citadel	11/18/17	15
5.	South Carolina State	9/7/13	14
	Charlotte	9/21/19	14
	Georgia Southern	9/15/18	14

- Walk-on quarterback Hunter Helms threw two touchdown passes, becoming only the third quarterback who joined Clemson as an original walk-on since 1954 to throw a touchdown pass, joining Nick Schuessler (three touchdown passes in 2016) and Donny McElveen (one in 2010). Helms and Schuessler are the only original walk-on quarterbacks to throw multiple touchdown passes in a game for Clemson, as Helms' two-touchdown game at Georgia Tech joined Schuessler's two-touchdown performance against Syracuse in 2016. However, Schuessler had been placed on scholarship by that point of his career, making Helms the first Clemson quarterback to throw two touchdown passes in a game while still on walk-on status.

## LAST MEETING IN CLEMSON

### Clemson 52, Georgia Tech 14

(Aug. 29, 2019, Clemson, S.C.)

CLEMSON, S.C. - Behind a then-career-high 205 rushing yards from Travis Etienne, No. 1 Clemson defeated Georgia Tech, 52-14, at Memorial Stadium on a Thursday night. Clemson rushed for 411 yards, the most in a season-opener since 1957 and the most allowed by Georgia Tech since 1975. The victory was Clemson's 16th in a row, dating to the start of the 2018 season.

The Thursday night game, which debuted the new ACC Network, was the earliest game in school history. Etienne found the end zone three times, rushing for

205 yards on just 12 carries.

The highlight of the night for both the Tigers and Etienne came on a career-long 90-yard touchdown run in the opening quarter, the longest run in Memorial Stadium history and tied for the longest run in school history. Quarterback Trevor Lawrence opened the scoring for the Tigers with a six-yard touchdown run in the first quarter. Lawrence completed 13-of-23 passes for 168 yards and one touchdown.

Wide receiver Tee Higgins finished with four catches for 98 yards, including a 62-yard touchdown from Lawrence with 4:34 to go in the first half to put Clemson ahead 28-0. Higgins upped his touchdown streak to five-straight games.

The Clemson defense forced four turnovers, with Tanner Muse and Denzel Johnson recording interceptions. The four turnovers were the most the Tigers forced since 2015 against Notre Dame. Isaiah Simmons led the defense with 10 tackles in the first game of his Butkus Award-winning campaign.

## TOP PERFORMANCES VS. GEORGIA TECH

Included below are Clemson's top individual statistical performances all-time against Georgia Tech.

### PASSING YARDS

Date	Player	Site	Com-Att-Int-TD	Yards
10-17-2013	Trevor Lawrence	A	24-32-1-5	404
10-6-2012	Tajh Boyd	H	26-41-2-2	397
11-14-2013	Tajh Boyd	H	20-26-1-4	320

### RUSHING YARDS

Date	Player	Site	Att-Yds
15-2-2009	C.J. Spiller	N1	20-233
10-21-2006	James Davis	H	21-216
8-29-2019	Travis Etienne	H	12-205

N1 at Tampa, Fla.

### RECEIVING YARDS

Date	Player	Site	Rec-Yds
11-14-2013	Martavis Bryant	H	5-176
10-6-2012	DeAndre Hopkins	H	7-173
9-24-1977	Jerry Butler	A	5-163

Top all-time team performances by Clemson against Georgia Tech are included below.

### TEAM TOTAL OFFENSE

Year	Site	Plays	Rush	Pass	Total
2020	A	88	171	500	671
2019	H	79	411	221	632
1903	A	55	615	0	615

### TEAM RUSHING YARDS

Year	Site	Avg.	Att.	Yds.
1903	A	11.2	55	615
2019	H	8.4	49	411
2009	N1	9.5	34	323

N1 at Tampa, Fla.

### TEAM PASSING YARDS

Year	Site	Comp.	Att.	Yds.
2020	A	33	49	500
2012	H	26	42	397
2013	H	23	30	383

## -- THIS WEEK --

## CLEMSON IN ACC OPENERS

The 2021 season marks Clemson's 69th year of membership in the ACC, dating back to the conference's first year of play in 1953. In its previous 68 seasons of ACC membership, Clemson has posted a 42-25-1 record in conference openers.

Clemson has won its last six ACC openers, including road victories at Louisville in 2015 and 2017, road

## 2021 PRESEASON HONORS

**HEAD COACH DABO SWINNEY:** Dodd Trophy Watch List

**#1 S ANDREW MUKUBA:** Preseason Freshman All-American (ESPN)

**#1 RB WILL SHIPLEY:** Preseason Freshman All-American (ESPN); Freshman Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook)

**#3 DE XAVIER THOMAS:** First-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon, Phil Steele, Pick Six)

**#5 QB DJ UIAGALELEI:** Maxwell Watch List; O'Brien Watch List; CFP National Performer of the Year Watch List; Polynesian College Football Player of the Year Watch List; Third-Team Preseason All-American (Athlon); Second-String Preseason Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook); Preseason ACC Offensive Player of the Year (College Football News); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (College Football News); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon); Third-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's, Phil Steele)

**#8 WR JUSTYN ROSS:** Maxwell Watch List; Walter Camp Watch List; Biletnikoff Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-American (AP, Athlon, CBS/247, ESPN, Phil Steele, PFF, Walter Camp); Second-Team Preseason All-American (Lindy's, Pick Six, USA Today); First-String Preseason Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, Lindy's, Phil Steele; Pick Six)

**#10 LB BAYLON SPECTOR:** Butkus Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-ACC (College Football News, Lindy's); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon, Phil Steele)

**#11 DT BRYAN BRESEE:** Walter Camp Watch List; Bednarik Watch List; Nagurski Watch List; Outland Watch List; Lombardi Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-American (AP, Athlon, CBS/247, ESPN, Phil Steele, Pick Six, USA Today, Walter Camp); Second-Team Preseason All-American (Lindy's); Third-Team Preseason All-American (PFF); First-String Preseason Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook); Preseason ACC Defensive Player of the Year (College Football News); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, College Football News, Lindy's, Phil Steele, Pick Six)

**#13 DT TYLER DAVIS:** Outland Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, College Football News); Third-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's, Phil Steele)

**#21 RB DARIEN RENCHER:** Wuerffel Trophy Watch List; AFCA Good Works Team Nominee

**#23 CB ANDREW BOOTH JR.:** Lott IMPACT Watch List; Thorpe Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, College Football News, Lindy's); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Phil Steele, Pick Six)

**#23 RB LYN-J DIXON:** Doak Walker Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon)

**#24 S NOLAN TURNER:** Bednarik Watch List; Lott IMPACT Watch List; Thorpe Watch List; Nagurski Watch List; Second-Team Preseason All-American (Phil Steele, USA Today); Third-Team Preseason All-American (Pick Six); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, College Football News, Lindy's, Phil Steele, Pick Six)

**#29 PK B.T. POTTER:** Groza Watch List; Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon, Phil Steele)

**#36 S LANNEN ZANDERS:** Third-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's)

**#47 LB JAMES SKALSKI:** Butkus Watch List; Nagurski Watch List; Second-Team Preseason All-American (Athlon, CBS/247, Lindy's, Phil Steele, USA Today); Third-Team Preseason All-American (Pick Six); Second-String Preseason Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, Lindy's, Phil Steele, Pick Six)

**#48 P WILL SPIERS:** Ray Guy Award Watch List

**#53 OL RYAN LINTHICUM:** Freshman Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook)

**#54 LB JEREMIAH TROTTER JR.:** Preseason Freshman All-American (ESPN); Freshman Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook)

**#65 OL MATT BOCKHORST:** Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's); Third-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon); Fourth-Team Preseason All-ACC (Phil Steele)

**#71 OL JORDAN MCFADDEN:** Outland Watch List; Lombardi Watch List; Second-Team Preseason All-American (Pro Football Focus, USA Today, Walter Camp); Third-Team Preseason All-American (Athlon, Pick Six); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon; Pick Six); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Phil Steele); Third-Team Preseason All-ACC (Lindy's)

**#88 TE BRADEN GALLOWAY:** First-Team Preseason All-ACC (College Football News); Second-Team Preseason All-ACC (Athlon); Fourth-Team Preseason All-ACC (Phil Steele)

**#98 DE MYLES MURPHY:** Nagurski Watch List; Lombardi Watch List; First-Team Preseason All-American (Pick Six); Second-Team Preseason All-American (Athlon, USA Today, Walter Camp); Third-Team Preseason All-American (Phil Steele); First-String Preseason Dream Team (College Football America Yearbook); First-Team Preseason All-ACC (ACC, Athlon, College Football News, Lindy's, Phil Steele, Pick Six)

wins at Georgia Tech in 2016 and 2018, and season-opening wins in 2019 (vs. Georgia Tech) and 2020 (at Wake Forest). The 2019 conference opener broke a streak of seven consecutive years that Clemson had to travel to open ACC play. This year will represent only the second time in 10 years that Clemson will open ACC play at home.

Head Coach Dabo Swinney is 8-4 in ACC openers at Clemson, with all four losses coming to Top 20 opponents, including No. 15 Georgia Tech in 2009, No. 16 Miami (Fla.) in 2010, No. 4 Florida State in 2012 and No. 1 Florida State in 2014. Three of those four contests were on the road.

The Tigers are seeking a seventh consecutive victory in conference openers, which would add to the longest streak in school history. With a win on Saturday, the 2021 senior class would become the eighth senior class in Clemson history to win all four of its ACC openers, joining 4-0 records posted by the 1983, 1984, 1989, 2005, 2018, 2019 and 2020 senior classes in ACC debuts.

## CLEMSON IN CONFERENCE OPENERS SINCE JOINING THE ACC IN 1953 (42-25-1)

Year	Rank <sup>A</sup>	Opponent	Site	W-L	CU-Opp
1953	-/3	Maryland	A	L	0-20
1954	-/-	South Carolina	A	L	8-13
1955	-/-	Virginia	A	W	20-7
1956	-/-	North Carolina State	A	W	13-7
1957	-/-	North Carolina	A	L	0-26
1958	18/-	Virginia	H	W	20-15
1959	18/12	North Carolina	A	W	20-18
1960	9/-	Wake Forest	A	W	28-7
1961	-/-	Maryland	H	L	21-24
1962	-/-	North Carolina State	A	W	7-0
1963	-/-	North Carolina State	H	L	3-7
1964	-/-	North Carolina State	A	L	0-9
1965	-/-	North Carolina State	H	W	21-7
1966	-/-	Virginia	H	W	40-35
1967	-/-	Wake Forest	H	W	23-6
1968	-/-	Wake Forest	A	T	20-20
1969	-/-	Virginia	A	W	21-14
1970	-/-	Virginia	H	W	27-17
1971	-/14	Duke	A	W	3-0
1972	-/-	Duke	H	L	0-7
1973	-/-	Virginia	H	W	32-27
1974	-/15	North Carolina State	A	L	10-31
1975	-/-	Wake Forest	H	W	16-14
1976	-/-	Wake Forest	A	L	14-20
1977	-/10	Maryland	H	L	14-21
1978	-/-	Virginia	A	W	30-14
1979	-/-	Maryland	H	L	0-19
1980	-/-	Virginia	A	W	27-24
1981	9/-	Virginia	H	W	27-0
1982	-/-	Virginia	A	W	48-0
1983	-/-	Georgia Tech	H	W	41-14
1984	3/-	Virginia	A	W	55-0
1985	-/-	Georgia Tech	H	L	3-14
1986	-/-	Georgia Tech	A	W	27-3
1987	9/-	Georgia Tech	H	W	33-12
1988	12/-	Georgia Tech	A	W	30-13
1989	7/-	Maryland	H	W	31-7
1990	9/14	Virginia	A	L	7-20
1991	7/19	Georgia Tech	H	W	9-7
1992	15/5	Florida State	H	L	20-24
1993	21/1	Florida State	A	L	0-57
1994	22/-	North Carolina State	H	L	12-29
1995	-/1	Florida State	H	L	26-45
1996	-/-	North Carolina	A	L	0-45
1997	19/-	North Carolina State	A	W	19-17
1998	-/10	Virginia	A	L	18-20
1999	-/22	Virginia	H	W	33-14
2000	16/-	Wake Forest	H	W	55-7
2001	19/-	Virginia	H	L	24-26
2002	-/-	Georgia Tech	H	W	24-19
2003	-/-	Georgia Tech	A	W	39-3
2004	15/-	Wake Forest	H	W	37-30
2005	25/-	Maryland	A	W	28-24
2006	18/-	Boston College	A	L	33-34
2007	-/19	Florida State	H	W	24-18

2008	-/-	North Carolina State	H	W	27-9
2009	-/15	Georgia Tech	A	L	27-30
2010	-/16	Miami (Fla.)	H	L	21-30
2011	21/11	Florida State	H	W	35-30
2012	10/4	Florida State	A	L	37-49
2013	3/-	North Carolina State	A	W	26-14
2014	22/1	Florida State	A	L	17-23
2015	11/-	Louisville	A	W	20-17
2016	5/-	Georgia Tech	A	W	26-7
2017	3/14	Louisville	A	W	47-21
2018	3/-	Georgia Tech	A	W	49-21
2019	1/-	Georgia Tech	H	W	52-14
2020	1/-	Wake Forest	A	W	37-13

<sup>A</sup>AP Rank (CU/Opp)

## TIGERS FROM GEORGIA

Clemson has 26 players from the state of Georgia on its current roster, the most of any state other than South Carolina.

### GEORGIA NATIVES ON CLEMSON'S ROSTER

No.	Player	Hometown	High School
0	LB Barrett Carter	Suwanee	North Gwinnett
3	WR Dacari Collins	Atlanta	Westlake
7	DE Justin Mascoll	Snellville	South Gwinnett
10	LB Baylon Spector	Calhoun	Calhoun
13	WR Brannon Spector	Calhoun	Calhoun
14	DE Kevin Swint	Carrollton	Carrollton
16	S Ray Thornton III	Columbus	Central (Ala.)
18	S Joseph Charleston	Milton	Milton
20	RB Kobe Pace	Cedartown	Cedartown
20	CB Nate Wiggins	Atlanta	Westlake
23	CB Andrew Booth Jr.	Dacula	Archer
23	RB Lyn-J Dixon	Butler	Taylor County
25	S Jalyn Phillips	Lawrenceville	Archer
26	RB Phil Mafah	Loganville	Grayson
33	LS Ty Lucas	Columbus	Chattahoochee
34	DE Armon Mason	Richmond Hill	Richmond Hill
45	LB Sergio Allen	Fort Valley	Peach County
47	LB James Skalski	Sharpsburg	Northgate
57	OL Paul Tchio	Milton	Milton
58	LS Holden Caspersen	Roswell	Roswell
76	OL John Williams	Canton	Creekview
84	TE Davis Allen	Calhoun	Calhoun
85	TE Jaelyn Lay	Atlanta	Riverdale
89	WR Zach Jackson	Acworth	Allatoona
90	DT Darnell Jefferies	Covington	Newton
98	DE Myles Murphy	Marietta	Hillgrove

The state of Georgia has produced each of Clemson's last two Heisman Trophy finalists. Deshaun Watson set Georgia state high school records for total offense yards, passing yards and touchdowns during his four-year tenure at Gainesville High School. His marks for passing yards and touchdowns would later be broken by Cartersville High School's Trevor Lawrence. Though their Clemson tenures did not overlap, the prodigious Peach State quarterback duo combined for 66 wins as starters, six 10-win seasons, five College Football Playoff berths, four National Championship Game appearances and two national titles in their respective eras at Clemson spanning 2014-20 (excluding 2017).

Including Homer Jordan, an Athens, Ga. native who started at quarterback for Clemson's 1981 national title team, all three starting quarterbacks for Clemson's three national championship squads have hailed from the Peach State. Georgia-raised signal callers have also played a significant role in Clemson's in-state rivalry, as starting quarterbacks from Georgia are 17-0 for Clemson against rival South Carolina since 1979. Clemson's last starting quarterback from Georgia to lose to the Gamecocks was Billy Lott (Jessup, Ga.) in 1979.

Including Jordan, Watson and Lawrence, Georgia has been a key pipeline for many of Clemson's best squads. Clemson's 1981 national championship team featured 22 players from the state of Georgia. Clemson's 2016 national championship team had 19 Georgians on the roster. Clemson's 2018 national championship squad

included 21 Georgia natives, including six players who started that year's 44-16 national title game win against Alabama.

## FOOTBALL REUNION DAY

After last year's Football Reunion Day was postponed during the COVID-19 pandemic, Clemson will celebrate multiple anniversary teams on Saturday, including squads celebrating anniversaries of five years, 10 years, 25 years and 50 years in 2020 or 2021.

Included below from Clemson historian and former Clemson SID Tim Bourret are overviews of the anniversary teams being honored on Saturday.

- **1970 (50-year anniversary in 2020):** The 1970 Clemson squad ushered in a new era, as it was the first football team in 30 years that was not coached by Frank Howard. Hootie Ingram's first team won its first two games, including a comeback 27-17 win over Virginia. The season featured the greatest return game by an individual in ACC history, as Don Kelley had a still-ACC-record 223 return yards on 167 punt return yards and 56 interception return yards against Maryland on Halloween. The 167 punt return yards are still 41 yards more than any player in Clemson history.

- **1971 (50-year anniversary in 2021):** Hootie Ingram's second Clemson team won five of its last eight games, and two of the losses were to fifth-ranked Auburn and 19th-ranked North Carolina. A 3-0 win over 14th-ranked Duke was certainly a highlight in addition to a 17-7 win at South Carolina that closed the season. Future Super Bowl Champion John McMakin was the top receiver from his tight end position. The defense featured a secondary that was led by Ben Anderson, Marion Reeves and Bobby Johnson, who had four interceptions apiece. Only three Clemson teams in the last 50 years have had three defenders with at least four interceptions.

- **1995 (25-year anniversary in 2020):** Tommy West's second Clemson team was his best. The Tigers finished 8-4 that year, including a five-game winning streak to end the regular season that moved the Tigers into the AP Top 25 and the Gator Bowl. The winning streak included victories over Maryland, Georgia Tech and North Carolina, teams that finished the year with a winning record. The Tigers defeated rival South Carolina, 38-17, in Columbia thanks to a dominant 323 rushing yards. The 1995 Tigers finished the year 5-0 on the road, the only Clemson team to do that between 1981 and 2015.

- **1996 (25-year anniversary in 2021):** Clemson's 7-5 team of 1996 featured the running of Raymond Priestner, who gained 1,345 yards on the ground, now fourth-best in Clemson history. The Tigers started 2-3, then posted a five-game winning streak that included wins over 22nd-ranked Georgia Tech and a road win over 15th-ranked Virginia. The Tigers defeated NC State, 40-17, in the final ACC game to finish second in the ACC behind Florida State. The Clemson defense that year included first-round draft choices Anthony Simmons (178 tackles), Trevor Pryce (20 tackles for loss) and Antwan Edwards (83 tackles).

- **2010 (10-year anniversary in 2020):** Clemson's 2010 team set the tone for the culture of Dabo Swinney's program despite finishing one game under .500. The team lost five games by a touchdown or less, including a five-point bowl game loss to South Florida in the Meineke Car Care Bowl. Seniors, led by current staff member DeAndre McDaniel, did not hang their heads, and went around the locker room encouraging the returning players to work hard and not let that season happen again. Said Bourret, "I will always believe this act jump-started the program on its current streak of 10



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consecutive 10-win seasons."

- **2011 (10-year anniversary in 2021):** The 2011 Clemson team broke a lot of streaks. At the forefront was Clemson's first ACC Championship in 20 seasons, a 38-10 win over third-ranked Virginia Tech. That win also gave Clemson its first 10-win season in 21 years. Thanks to wins over ranked teams, including defending national champion Auburn (ended 17-game winning streak), Florida State and 10th-ranked Virginia Tech on the road, Dabo Swinney's team started the year 8-0 and reached No. 6 in the nation. It marked the first time an ACC team had three straight wins over AP Top 20 teams.

- **2015 (five-year anniversary in 2020):** The 2015 team will be remembered as the team that brought Clemson to its first College Football Playoff. The season included a 24-22 win over sixth-ranked Notre Dame in a driving rainstorm in early October, a 58-0 win at Miami that led the Hurricanes to change coaches, a 23-13 win over 15th-ranked Florida State in Tallahassee, and an ACC Championship win over eighth-ranked North Carolina in the ACC Championship Game. Clemson then defeated third-ranked Oklahoma in the Orange Bowl to advance to the College Football Playoff National Championship Game.

- **2016 (five-year anniversary in 2021):** "It's been 35 years. It's finally coming home." Those were the words of linebacker Ben Boulware during the trophy presentation after Clemson defeated No. 1 Alabama, 35-31, to win its first National Championship since 1981. The Tigers won a school record seven games by a touchdown or less in running up its 14-1 record. A key win was a 42-36 victory over third-ranked Louisville that was a battle of Heisman Trophy finalists Lamar Jackson and Deshaun Watson. The Tigers defeated No. 2 Ohio State, 31-0, in the semifinal, the first shutout of the Buckeyes program since 1993.

## -- FROM THE ARCHIVES --

### ON THIS DATE

- **Sept. 18, 1954:** Clemson Head Cheerleader George Bennett fired a cannon after each Tiger score. The cannon was purchased by Bennett's father and became a staple in the years to come.

- **Sept. 18, 1965:** Hugh Mauldin scored on a 2-yard run on Clemson's opening drive as the Tigers opened the 1965 season with a 21-7 win against NC State. Prior to the game, an impromptu line of students flanked

Clemson's players en route from the dressing room to the field. Said Coach Frank Howard, "I don't know who was responsible for the students lining up to welcome us, but thank them for me, will you? I didn't see anyone I knew, but I know why they were there. It meant a lot to me." Linebacker Bill Hecht added, "You just cannot imagine how great it makes one feel to be backed in such a manner."

- **Sept. 18, 2010:** Clemson lost a 27-24 overtime contest at Auburn, the closest Auburn came to suffering a loss in 2010. Auburn won the national title with a 14-0 record. Andre Ellington had 140 rushing yards and Kyle Parker passed for 220 yards to lead the Clemson offense, while DaQuan Bowers had four tackles for loss.

- **Overall:** Clemson is 4-3 all-time in games contested on Sept. 18, including wins against Erskine (1926), Presbyterian (1937 and 1954) and NC State (1965).

## -- NOTES FROM LAST GAME --

### POSTGAME NOTES VS. SC STATE

- Clemson held SC State without an offensive touchdown. Clemson has not surrendered a defensive touchdown through the first two games of the season, Clemson's first time doing so in the first two games of the season since holding Kent State and Auburn out of the end zone to open 2017.

- Clemson has now held opponents to 10 or fewer points four times in its last five games, dating back to last season.

- Clemson allowed only 235 yards and has now held consecutive opponents under 275 yards for the first time since the Miami (Fla.) and Georgia Tech games last season.

- Clemson finished with 504 total yards, its 68th 500-yard game under Dabo Swinney. Clemson is 66-2 in those contests.

- Clemson exceeded both 200 passing yards and 200 rushing yards, the 54th such occurrence by Clemson under Dabo Swinney. Clemson is undefeated when reaching the 200-yard mark in both categories under Swinney.

- Clemson scored 28 first-quarter points, tied for the third-most first-quarter points in Clemson history. It was Clemson's sixth time scoring 28 or more points in a first quarter in school history. All six have occurred under Dabo Swinney, including four since the start of the 2019 season.

- Clemson scored a touchdown on each of its first four

possessions, its first such performance since doing so against The Citadel in the second game of 2020.

- Trailing 35-0, South Carolina State scored a field goal with 19 seconds left in the first half that ended a run of 94 straight points for Clemson in its series with the Bulldogs. Clemson won the teams' most recent meeting prior to Saturday by a score of 59-0 in 2016.

- All of Clemson's points came on offense. Previously, Clemson had scored at least one non-offensive touchdown in all four previous games against SC State all-time.

- Clemson's five rushing touchdowns were its most in a game since 2019 at NC State (five).

- Clemson won the game despite finishing -2 in the turnover margin. Clemson has been able to post a 6-1 record when finishing -2 or worse in the turnover margin since 2017, with the lone loss coming at Notre Dame last season.

- On preliminary count, Clemson played 102 players in the game, the third-most in Head Coach Dabo Swinney's tenure, trailing 111 vs. Charlotte in 2019 and 105 vs. Wofford in 2019.

- Clemson did not allow a sack. It was Clemson's second time in five games dating to last season that it has held an opponent without a sack (at Virginia Tech in 2020).

- Quarterback DJ Uiagalelei completed 14-of-24 passes for 171 yards with one touchdown. He also rushed five times for 23 yards with two rushing touchdowns.

- Uiagalelei's 171 yards rank as the second-best passing performance for a Tiger against SC State in five games in the all-time series. Current Clemson support staff member Cole Stoudt passed for the most in a game in the series, throwing for 302 yards against SC State in 2014.

- Uiagalelei's two rushing touchdowns tied his career high, set against The Citadel last season.

- The two rushing touchdowns were Uiagalelei's first two of the season and pushed his career rushing touchdown total to six.

- Uiagalelei opened the scoring on a four-yard rushing touchdown on Clemson's opening drive. Clemson improved to 59-2 when scoring first since 2015.

- The touchdown marked the third straight season that Clemson's first touchdown of the season came via a quarterback rush, as Trevor Lawrence scored Clemson's first touchdown of both the 2019 and 2020 seasons on the ground.

- With Uiagalelei's second rushing touchdown of the game, Clemson eclipsed 1,500 points scored (42.2 per

## 2021 ACC STANDINGS

### ATLANTIC DIVISION

Team	Conference			Overall			Home	Away	Streak	vs. Ranked	
	W-L	PF	PA	W-L	PF	PA				vs. AP	vs. USAT
Boston College	0-0	0	0	2-0	96	28	1-0	1-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Wake Forest	0-0	0	0	2-0	83	26	2-0	0-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Clemson	0-0	0	0	1-1	52	13	1-0	0-0	W1	0-1	0-1
Louisville	0-0	0	0	1-1	54	46	1-0	0-0	W1	0-0	0-1
NC State	0-0	0	0	1-1	55	24	1-0	0-1	L1	0-0	0-0
Syracuse	0-0	0	0	1-1	36	26	0-1	1-0	L1	0-0	0-0
Florida State	0-0	0	0	0-2	55	61	0-2	0-0	L2	0-1	0-1

### COASTAL DIVISION

Team	Conference			Overall			Home	Away	Streak	vs. Ranked	
	W-L	PF	PA	W-L	PF	PA				vs. AP	vs. USAT
Virginia Tech	1-0	17	10	2-0	52	24	2-0	0-0	W2	1-0	1-0
Pittsburgh	0-0	0	0	2-0	92	41	1-0	1-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Virginia	0-0	0	0	2-0	85	14	2-0	0-0	W2	0-0	0-0
Duke	0-0	0	0	1-1	73	48	1-0	0-1	W1	0-0	0-0
Georgia Tech	0-0	0	0	1-1	66	39	1-1	0-0	W1	0-0	0-0
Miami	0-0	0	0	1-1	38	67	1-0	0-0	W1	0-1	0-1
North Carolina	0-1	10	17	1-1	69	34	1-0	0-1	W1	0-0	0-0

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game) against FCS opponents all-time.

- Running back Will Shipley recorded his first career touchdown on a seven-yard touchdown run in the first quarter.

- Shipley added his second touchdown of the day on a 13-yard scoring run in the third quarter. He became the first Clemson true freshman with multiple rushing touchdowns in a game since his teammate, Lyn-J Dixon, rushed for two touchdowns at Wake Forest in 2018.

- Shipley's team-high 80 rushing yards ranked as the third-best rushing performance for a Tiger against SC State in five games in the all-time series. James Davis rushed for 95 yards in 2008 and Tavien Feaster rushed for 83 yards in 2016.

- Running back Kobe Pace added his first career rushing touchdown on a two-yard run in the first quarter. The lone touchdown of Pace's career prior to Saturday came via reception at Georgia Tech in 2020.

- Wide receiver Justyn Ross recorded his first touchdown reception of the season in the first quarter. It was his first touchdown since the 2019 ACC Championship Game vs. Virginia prior to missing the 2020 season.

- The receiving touchdown was Ross' 19th of his career, tying tight ends Glenn Smith (18 from 1949-51) and Jordan Leggett (18 from 2013-16) for eighth-most career receiving touchdowns in Clemson history.

- Running back Lyn-J Dixon recorded his first career receiving touchdown, a 14-yard catch-and-run on a pass from Taisun Phommachanh in the third quarter.

- The passing touchdown was Phommachanh's first of his career, and it came in the same end zone he was driving toward when he tore his Achilles 161 days earlier during Clemson's spring game on April 3, 2021.

- Phommachanh finished 7-of-10 for 75 yards with a touchdown in his season debut.

- Wide receiver Beaux Collins recorded his first career reception in the third quarter. He caught the pass from his high school teammate, Uigalelei. He finished the contest with three catches for 36 yards.

- A total of 13 different Clemson players caught a pass, one shy of tying for Clemson's fifth-most in a game under Dabo Swinney.

- Safety R.J. Mickens recorded his first career

interception in the second quarter.

- Linebacker Jeremiah Trotter Jr. recorded his first career sack.

- Punt returner Will Taylor recorded a 51-yard punt return in the first quarter. The 51-yard return was the longest by a Clemson player since a 53-yard return by Amari Rodgers against Wake Forest in 2019.

- With seven points Saturday, kicker B.T. Potter (253) became the 12th player in school history to reach 250 career points. He is the eighth Clemson player to reach 250 kicking points.

- On his third PAT of the game, Potter (154) joined Greg Huegel (217 from 2015-18), Chandler Catanzaro (203 from 2010-13) and Aaron Hunt (164 from 2000-03) as the only players in school history to convert 150 career PATs.

- The game was Clemson's 121st home opener in its 126-year program history, as there were five seasons in which Clemson did not play a game at home.

- Punter Will Spiers started his 58th game to break the school record held by tackle Mitch Hyatt (57 from 2015-18). Will Swinney has also served as Clemson's primary holder in 58 games as well.

- Spiers, Swinney and linebacker James Skalski each played in their 58th career games to tie tackle Mitch Hyatt (2015-18), tight end Milan Richard (2015-18) and linebacker Chad Smith, (2016-19) for fifth in school history.

- Captains for the contest were offensive lineman Matt Bockhorst, defensive end Justin Foster, defensive end K.J. Henry and running back Darien Rencher.

## WITH THE WIN...

- Clemson improved to 96-17-8 in home openers all-time.

- Clemson won its 18th straight home debut, breaking Clemson's longest winning streak in home openers all-time (17 from 1944-60).

- Clemson improved to 5-0 in its all-time series with South Carolina State. Clemson previously earned wins against SC State in 2008, 2013, 2014 and 2016.

- Clemson improved to 36-0 against Football Championship Subdivision teams since the NCAA formed

the division prior to the 1978 season.

- Clemson improved its national-best record at home in the College Football Playoff era (since 2014) to 48-1.

- Clemson won its 29th consecutive home game to extend its school record for both the longest home winning streak and longest home unbeaten streak in school history (as well as extend the nation's longest active home winning streak). Of the 135 players on Clemson's 2021 roster, 130 have never experienced a home loss in their Clemson careers.

- With the 29th straight home victory, Clemson pulled within one home win of recording the 24th home winning streak of 30 games or more in FBS history.

- With Ohio State's home loss earlier in the day, Clemson stands as one of only three schools with an active home winning streak of 20 games or longer (Notre Dame and Cincinnati).

- Clemson improved to 27-7 in games following a loss under Dabo Swinney, including season openers following a loss in the previous season finale.

- Clemson has now won 88 of its last 90 games, including each of its last 51, when leading at halftime. Clemson is also 110-2 since 2011 when leading after three quarters.

- Clemson improved to 109-2 when totaling more first downs than its opponent since 2011.

- Clemson is now 69-1 when rushing for 200+ yards under Dabo Swinney.

- Clemson is now 54-0 when both passing and rushing for 200+ yards under Dabo Swinney.

- Clemson improved to 24-1 in September games since 2015.

- Clemson improved to 68-4 in regular season play since the start of the 2015 season.

- Clemson won a 35th consecutive game against teams unranked in the AP Poll. Clemson's last defeat at the hands of an unranked squad came in 2017 at Syracuse. Clemson is now 109-12 against AP-unranked teams under Dabo Swinney

- Clemson won its 23rd consecutive home non-conference game, the longest such winning streak in program history. Clemson's last loss at Death Valley in non-conference play was in 2012.

## MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS UNDER DABO SWINNEY

Clemson's Record When...	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	Totals
Playing all games	4-3	9-5	6-7	10-4	11-2	11-2	10-3	14-1	14-1	12-2	15-0	14-1	10-2	1-1	141-34
Scoring first	4-2	6-4	5-5	7-3	8-2	10-0	7-2	9-0	9-0	10-0	11-0	11-1	8-1	1-0	106-20
Leading at end of first quarter	4-0	5-2	5-3	5-2	6-2	8-0	6-0	9-1	10-0	8-0	11-0	11-0	9-0	1-0	98-10
Tied at end of first quarter	0-2	3-0	0-1	2-0	1-0	2-1	2-0	2-0	3-1	2-0	3-0	1-1	0-1	0-1	21-8
Trailing at end of first quarter	0-1	1-3	1-3	3-2	4-0	1-1	2-3	3-0	1-0	2-2	1-0	2-0	1-1	0-0	22-16
Leading at halftime	4-1	8-1	5-2	5-0	10-2	8-0	8-1	12-0	13-1	11-0	14-0	12-0	9-0	1-0	120-8
Tied at halftime	0-0	0-0	0-0	3-0	0-0	1-0	1-1	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	6-2
Trailing at halftime	0-2	1-4	1-5	2-4	1-0	2-2	1-1	2-0	1-0	1-2	1-0	1-1	1-2	0-1	15-24
Leading at end of third quarter	4-1	7-1	5-1	8-0	9-0	10-0	10-0	13-1	12-1	11-0	14-0	13-0	9-0	1-0	126-5
Tied at end of third quarter	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-1	0-1	1-0	0-0	1-1	0-0	1-0	1-0	0-0	5-4
Trailing at end of third quarter	0-2	1-4	1-6	2-4	1-2	1-1	0-2	0-0	2-0	0-1	1-0	0-1	1-1	0-1	10-25
Tied at end of fourth quarter	0-0	1-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	2-3
Totaling more total yards	4-0	8-0	3-3	10-0	10-0	10-1	9-1	13-1	13-1	10-0	13-0	13-0	10-0	1-0	128-7
Totaling more rushing yards	3-0	8-1	4-1	7-1	6-1	8-1	8-1	11-1	9-0	11-0	12-0	12-0	8-0	1-0	109-7
Totaling more passing yards	2-2	6-2	4-5	9-2	8-0	10-1	8-2	11-1	13-1	7-1	11-0	13-0	9-2	1-1	113-20
Totaling more first downs	2-0	5-1	3-3	9-0	10-0	9-0	10-0	13-1	13-1	10-0	13-0	12-0	9-0	1-0	119-6
Winning time of possession	4-1	3-0	4-3	5-0	6-0	2-0	7-1	11-0	10-1	8-0	4-0	7-0	6-0	0-0	77-6
Winning turnover margin	3-1	7-0	4-1	5-0	5-1	9-0	3-1	6-0	6-0	5-1	8-0	11-0	6-0	0-1	78-6
Tying turnover margin	0-1	2-2	0-3	3-0	3-0	2-0	5-1	2-0	3-0	4-0	3-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	28-7
Losing turnover margin	1-1	0-3	2-3	2-4	3-1	0-2	2-1	6-1	5-1	3-1	4-0	3-1	3-2	1-0	35-21
Rushing for 200+ yards	0-0	4-1	3-0	4-0	5-0	2-0	4-0	11-0	6-0	6-0	10-0	10-0	3-0	1-0	69-1
Having a 100+ yard rusher	0-0	2-2	3-3	4-1	3-0	4-1	4-0	9-0	5-0	2-0	8-0	9-0	3-0	0-0	56-7
Passing for 300+ yards	1-0	1-0	0-0	5-2	9-0	9-0	3-1	6-1	8-1	3-0	5-0	6-0	7-2	0-0	63-7
Playing August games	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	2-1
Playing September games	0-0	2-2	2-1	4-0	4-1	3-0	2-1	3-0	4-0	5-0	5-0	4-0	2-0	1-1	41-6
Playing October games	0-1	3-1	2-3	4-1	3-0	3-1	4-0	5-0	4-0	2-1	3-0	3-0	5-0	0-0	41-8
Playing November games	4-1	3-1	2-2	1-2	3-1	3-1	3-1	4-0	3-1	4-0	4-0	4-0	1-1	0-0	39-11
Playing December games	0-0	1-1	0-1	1-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	2-0	2-0	1-0	2-0	2-0	2-0	0-0	15-2
Playing January games	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-1	1-0	0-1	0-1	0-0	3-6



## -- BEST IS THE STANDARD --

### ONE OF THE ERA'S WINNINGEST PROGRAMS

Clemson's recent success has been particularly pronounced in the midst of Clemson's six-year streak of College Football Playoff appearances since 2015. Alabama and Clemson rank No. 1 and 2 in the country in wins in that span, with the two teams combining for five out of six national championships in that time frame.

#### MOST WINS (SINCE 2015)

Rk	School	W	L	Pct.
1.	Alabama	81	6	.931
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>.909</b>
3.	Oklahoma	69	12	.852
4.	Ohio State	69	9	.885
5.	Georgia	64	17	.790
	Appalachian State	64	16	.800

Clemson won 69 games during the 2015-19 seasons, the most in a five-year period in the AP Poll era (since 1936). Clemson's accounts for three of the six best five-year runs in terms of total wins in the AP Poll era.

#### MOST WINS IN A FIVE-YEAR SPAN (AP POLL ERA)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2015-19</b>	<b>69</b>
2.	Alabama	2014-18	67
3.	Alabama	2015-19	66
4.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2016-20</b>	<b>65</b>
	Alabama	2016-20	65
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2014-18</b>	<b>65</b>

Clemson has a 122-19 record since starting its current stretch of 10-win seasons in 2011. Only Alabama (129-12) has more wins since 2011. The Tigers also have the second-highest winning percentage (.865) in that time frame.

#### MOST WINS (SINCE 2011)

Rk	School	W	L	Pct.
1.	Alabama	129	12	.915
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>.865</b>
3.	Ohio State	113	19	.856
4.	Oklahoma	108	25	.812
5.	Georgia	104	31	.770

### 14-WIN SEASONS

There have been 15 seasons of 14 or more wins since the NCAA split Division I in 1978. Clemson accounts for four of those 14-win seasons, matching Alabama for the most 14-win seasons in that span.

#### 14-WIN SEASONS SINCE 1978

Rk.	School	Year	Record
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>15-0</b>
	LSU	2019	15-0
3.	BYU	1996	14-1
	Ohio State	2002	14-0
	Alabama	2009	14-0
	Boise State	2009	14-0
	Auburn	2010	14-0
	Florida State	2013	14-0
	Ohio State	2014	14-1
	Alabama	2015	14-1
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>14-1</b>
	Alabama	2016	14-1
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>14-1</b>
	Alabama	2018	14-1
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>14-1</b>

Note: Since NCAA split Division I in 1978

### 12-WIN SEASONS

Prior to a 10-game regular season impacted by COVID-19 in 2020, Clemson had won at least 12 games in five consecutive seasons, one of only four

such streaks in major college football history, joining Alabama (five from 2014-18), Penn (seven from 1892-98) and Yale (five from 1888-92).

#### STREAKS OF 12-WIN SEASONS (MAJOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Penn	1892-98	7
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2015-19</b>	<b>5</b>
	Alabama	2014-18	5
	Yale	1888-92	5
5.	Ohio State	2012-15	4
	Boise State	2008-11	4

### 10-WIN SEASONS

Clemson entered 2021 riding a streak of 10 consecutive seasons with 10+ wins. The program's 10th consecutive 10-win season in 2020 made Clemson only the third program in FBS history to produce a "double-double" — double-digit wins in a double-digit number of consecutive seasons.

The record for consecutive 10-win seasons is 14, set by Florida State (1987-2000). Alabama is the only other program with an active streak of at least 10 straight 10-win seasons.

The Tigers have 17 10-win seasons in school history, with 10 coming under head coach Dabo Swinney.

#### CONSECUTIVE 10-WIN SEASONS

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Florida State	1987-00	14
2.	Alabama	2008-20	*13
3.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2011-20</b>	<b>*10</b>
4.	Texas	2001-09	9
5.	Ohio State	2012-19	8
	Virginia Tech	2004-11	8
	Miami (Fla.)	1985-92	8
8.	Oregon	2008-14	7
	Boise State	2006-12	7
	USC	2002-08	7

\* - active streak

Of the 130 active FBS schools, only 12 programs have won at least six games every year since 2015. That number dips to six when pushing the win total to eight, and drops all the way to two (Clemson and Alabama) when setting the bar at 10 wins.

#### SEASON WIN STREAKS SINCE 2015

Six-year streaks of...	FBS Teams
At least 6 wins	12
<i>Alabama, App. State, Auburn, Clemson, Georgia, Iowa, Memphis, Miami (Fla.), Ohio State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Texas A&amp;M</i>	
At least 7 wins	9
<i>Alabama, App. State, Clemson, Georgia, Memphis, Ohio State, Oklahoma, Oklahoma State, Texas A&amp;M</i>	
At least 8 wins	6
<i>Alabama, App. State, Clemson, Georgia, Memphis, Oklahoma</i>	
At least 9 wins	4
<i>Alabama, App. State, Clemson, Oklahoma</i>	
At least 10 wins	2
<i>Alabama, Clemson</i>	

### THE 750 CLUB

Clemson recorded its 750th all-time victory in October 2019, becoming the 15th FBS program (and first ACC program) at the time to reach 750 all-time wins.

#### 750+ ALL-TIME WINS (FBS)

Rk	School	Wins
1.	Michigan	966
2.	Ohio State	932
3.	Alabama	931
4.	Texas	924
5.	Notre Dame	920
6.	Oklahoma	919

7.	Nebraska	907
8.	Penn State	904
9.	USC	853
10.	Tennessee	850
11.	Georgia	841
12.	LSU	818
13.	Auburn	783
14.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>769</b>
15.	West Virginia	762
16.	Texas A&M	760
17.	Virginia Tech	759

### SENIORS CHASING HISTORY

Every January, Head Coach Dabo Swinney conducts his first official meeting with his new team. The first order of business in the meeting is to "reset the room," reorganizing the seating arrangement with seniors in front and all succeeding classes in order behind them in the team auditorium.

Each of Clemson's last four senior classes have placed themselves among select company in college football history. The 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 Clemson seniors account for four of only 12 four-year classes in FBS history to reach 50 career wins. That includes the 2018 and 2019 groups that are tied with the 2018 Alabama seniors for the most wins in FBS history (55 wins in four years).

#### MOST WINS BY SENIOR CLASSES

Rk	School	Years	W-L
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2016-19</b>	<b>55-4</b>
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2015-18</b>	<b>55-4</b>
	Alabama	2015-18	55-4
4.	Alabama	2014-17	53-5
5.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2017-20</b>	<b>52-5</b>
6.	Alabama	2013-16	51-6
	Alabama	2016-19	51-5
	Alabama	2017-20	51-4
9.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2014-17</b>	<b>50-7</b>
	Alabama	2012-15	50-6
	Ohio State	2012-15	50-4
	Boise State	2008-11	50-3

The 2021 Clemson seniors (excluding "Super Seniors" using their extra year of eligibility afforded by the NCAA) are 40-4 since 2018, tied for the most wins of any active class in the country.

#### WINS BY CURRENT SENIOR CLASSES (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	W	L	Pct.
1..	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>.909</b>
	Alabama	40	3	.930
3.	Oklahoma	35	6	.854
	Notre Dame	35	5	.875
5.	Appalachian State	34	7	.829
	Ohio State	34	4	.895

### "A"NOTHER "C"LEMSON "C"HAMPIONSHIP

With its sixth straight conference title last year, Clemson became the first program ever to win 20 ACC Championships, five more than Florida State, which ranks second with 15.

Clemson was the first program in the conference championship game era to win six straight conference championship games. Clemson also became the first ACC program to win six consecutive outright titles, as Florida State had a streak of nine straight ACC titles, but that streak included two co-championships that prevented Bobby Bowden's Seminoles from ever winning more than three straight titles outright.

In 2020, Clemson and Oklahoma's six-year streaks of outright titles made the two programs the first among current Power Five programs to win at least six straight outright titles since Oklahoma (12 from 1948-59) as part of the now-dissolved Big 8 Conference.

Including titles from its days as a member of the

Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Association and Southern Conference, Clemson has 26 conference championships overall, also the most of any current ACC school. Duke ranks second among the ACC's current membership with 18 overall conference titles, including 11 Southern Conference titles and seven ACC titles.

The Tigers won the 1900, 1902 and 1903 SIAA Conference championships under John Heisman, then the 1906 SIAA title under Bob Williams. Clemson also won the 1940 and 1948 Southern Conference titles under Frank Howard. Howard won eight total conference titles, including two in the Southern Conference and six in the ACC.

## CLEMSON ACC CHAMPIONSHIP SEASONS (20)

Year	Overall	ACC	Coach
1956	7-2-2	4-0-1	Frank Howard
1958	8-3-0	5-1	Frank Howard
1959	9-2	6-1	Frank Howard
1965	6-4	5-2 <sup>1</sup>	Frank Howard
1966	6-4	6-1	Frank Howard
1967	6-4	6-0	Frank Howard
1978	11-1	6-0	Charley Pell
1981	12-0	6-0	Danny Ford
1982	9-1-1	6-0	Danny Ford
1986	8-2-2	5-1-1	Danny Ford
1987	10-2	6-1	Danny Ford
1988	10-2	6-1	Danny Ford
1991	9-2-1	6-0-1	Ken Hatfield
2011	10-4	7-2 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2015	14-1	9-0 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2016	14-1	8-1 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2017	12-2	8-1 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2018	15-0	9-0 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2019	14-1	9-0 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney
2020	10-1	9-1 <sup>2</sup>	Dabo Swinney

<sup>1</sup>Co-championship, <sup>2</sup> includes ACC Championship Game victory

## ACC FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Rk	School	Shared	Outright	Total
1.	Clemson	1	19	20
2.	Florida State	2	13	15
3.	Maryland	2	7	9
4.	NC State	2	5	7
	Duke	3	4	7
6.	North Carolina	1	4	5
7.	Virginia Tech	0	4	4
8.	Georgia Tech	1	2	3
9.	Virginia	2	0	2
	Wake Forest	0	2	2
11.	South Carolina	0	1	1

## CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS BY ACC MEMBERS

School	SIAA	SoCon	ACC	Big East	SEC	Total
Clemson	4	2	20			26
Duke		11	7			18
Florida State			15			15
Georgia Tech	5	2	1		5	13
Maryland <sup>^</sup>		2	9			11
Miami (Fla.)				9		9
North Carolina	1	3	5			9
Virginia Tech		1	4	3		8
NC State			7			7
Syracuse				5		5
Louisville				3		3
Pittsburgh				2		2
Wake Forest			2			2
Virginia			2			2
Boston College				1		1
South Carolina <sup>^</sup>			1			1

<sup>^</sup> - former member

## CONSECUTIVE LEAGUE TITLE GAME WINS

Rk	School	Conference	Streak	Years
1.	Clemson	ACC	*6	2015-20
2.	Florida	SEC	4	1993-96
	Oklahoma	Big 12	*4	2017-20
	Ohio State	Big Ten	*4	2017-20
5.	Alabama	SEC	3	2014-16
	Florida State	ACC	3	2012-14
	Oklahoma	B12	3	2006-08

\* - active streak; Note: Power Five Conference schools (1992-2020)

## MOST CONSECUTIVE OUTRIGHT CONFERENCE TITLES (FBS HISTORY)

Rk	School	Conference	Streak	Years
1.	Oklahoma	Big 8	12	1948-59
2.	BYU	WAC	7	1978-84
3.	Clemson	ACC	*6	2015-20
	Oklahoma	Big 12	*6	2015-20
5.	Alabama	SEC	5	1971-75
	Texas	SWC	5	1969-73

\* - active streak

Clemson Football's sixth straight conference title extended a program record and tied for the third-longest ACC championship streak in Clemson Athletics history.

The record is eight in a row by Clemson's men's soccer program between 1972-79. Dr. I.M. Ibrahim was Clemson's coach for all eight of those titles. Ibrahim also led Clemson to national titles in 1984 and 1987 and sits aside Dabo Swinney as the only Clemson coaches in any sport to win two national championships.

Chuck Kriese took the Tigers men's tennis program to seven straight titles from 1983-89. The Clemson women's tennis program won six straight between 1982-87. Mary King won the first title and Andy Johnston won the last five in that run.

## MOST CONSECUTIVE ACC TITLES (CLEMSON ATHLETICS HISTORY)

Rk	Program	Streak	Years	Coach(es)
1.	Men's Soccer	8	1972-79	Dr. I.M. Ibrahim
2.	Men's Tennis	7	1983-89	Chuck Kriese
3.	Football	6	2015-20	Dabo Swinney
	Women's Tennis	6	1982-87	Mary King (1), Andy Johnston (5)
	Men's Indoor Track	6	1997-02	Bob Pollock

Clemson's 26th conference title in 2020 moved the Tigers into a tie for 10th-most among active FBS programs.

## ALL-TIME CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (ACTIVE FBS PROGRAMS)

Rk	School	Titles
1.	Oklahoma	50
2.	Nebraska	46
3.	Michigan	42
4.	Ohio State	39
5.	USC	37
6.	Tulsa	35
7.	Alabama	32
8.	Texas	30
9.	Fresno State	28
10.	Clemson	26
	Colorado	26
	Utah	26

Note: Per Winsipedia; includes titles in any conference, not just current conferences

## POWER OVER THE POWER FIVE

Early in his head coaching tenure, Dabo Swinney laid out his belief to then-Clemson athletic director Terry Don Phillips that the Tigers needed to add tough non-conference challenges on top of their tests in ACC play to serve as a foundation for the program's growth.

"I had a conversation with Terry Don and said, 'Terry Don, I know we are not very good right now, but we need to play people because that is going to help me teach and help me develop the culture and the mindset that you have to have to win at the highest level,'" recounted Swinney. "I didn't think we had that, and that's what we committed to. That's what we've done."

That scheduling philosophy and culture change has resonated in the Clemson program, and since 2013, no team can claim more wins against Power Five Conference opponents than the Tigers.

## WINS VS. POWER FIVE OPPONENTS SINCE 2013

Rk	School	Wins
1.	Clemson	85
2.	Alabama	82
3.	Ohio State	78
4.	Oklahoma	72
5.	Georgia	64

Note: includes victories against typically independent Notre Dame, which has College Football Playoff access equivalent with Power Five Conferences

On an annual basis, Clemson has finished the season atop the country in wins against Power Five opponents four times since the institution of the College Football Playoff in 2014, including four of the last six years. That includes 13 wins against Power Five opponents in 2018, the first team ever to reach that figure.

## MOST WINS AGAINST POWER FIVE OPPONENTS BY YEAR (CFP ERA)

Year	School(s)	P5 Wins
2014	Florida State	12
2015	Clemson	12
2016	Clemson	12
2017	Georgia	11
2018	Clemson	13
2019	Clemson & LSU	12
2020	Alabama	13

Note: includes victories against independent Notre Dame, which has College Football Playoff access equivalent with Power Five Conferences

## NO. 1 FOR NO. 1 RECRUITS

As Clemson was in the midst of the winningest decade in school history and tied for the third-winningest decade in major college football history, Head Coach Dabo Swinney would frequently point out that Clemson accomplished its goals by finding the right fits for its program in recruiting rather than chasing recruiting rankings.

Swinney often noted that Clemson accomplished its immense success in his tenure despite never signing the No. 1 recruiting class in the country. That changed in 2020, when ESPN ranked Clemson's 2020 group as the nation's top recruiting class. Clemson also recorded its highest rankings in both Rivals (No. 2) and 247 Sports (No. 3) history.

Clemson has signed the nation's consensus top player in two out of the last four recruiting cycles, welcoming quarterback Trevor Lawrence in 2018 and defensive tackle Bryan Bresee in 2020.

Clemson and LSU are the only teams in the country to sign Rivals' No. 1 recruit twice in a three-year span since Dabo Swinney was named head coach at Clemson.

Clemson, LSU and Alabama (two each) are tied for the most No. 1 recruits signed since 2009 per Rivals' rankings. Clemson, Georgia and USC (two each) are tied for the most in that span per the 247 Composite.

## DESTINATION OF NO. 1 RECRUIT (SINCE 2009)

Class	Rivals No. 1	247 Composite No. 1
2009	Bryce Brown (Tennessee)	Matt Barkley (USC)
2010	Ronald Powell (Florida)	Ronald Powell (Florida)
2011	Jadeveon Clowney (South Carolina)	Jadeveon Clowney (South Carolina)
2012	Dorial Green-Beckham (Missouri)	Dorial Green-Beckham (Missouri)
2013	Robert Nkemdiche (Ole Miss)	Robert Nkemdiche (Ole Miss)
2014	Da'Shaun Hand (Alabama)	Leonard Fournette (LSU)
2015	Byron Cowart (Auburn)	Trenton Thompson (Georgia)
2016	Rashan Gary (Michigan)	Rashan Gary (Michigan)
2017	Najee Harris (Alabama)	Jaelan Phillips (UCLA)
2018	Trevor Lawrence (Clemson)	Trevor Lawrence (Clemson)
2019	Derek Stingley Jr. (LSU)	Nolan Smith (Georgia)
2020	Bryan Bresee (Clemson)	Bryan Bresee (Clemson)
2021	Maason Smith (LSU)	Korey Foreman (USC)

## NO. 1 RECRUITS SINCE 2009

School	Rivals	247 Composite
Clemson	2	2
Alabama	2	0
Georgia	0	2
Florida	1	1
LSU	2	1
Michigan	1	1
Missouri	1	1
Ole Miss	1	1
South Carolina	1	1
Auburn	1	0
Tennessee	1	0
UCLA	0	1
USC	0	2

Clemson's recruiting classes have finished in the top 15 of at least one of three primary recruiting services (ESPN, Rivals and 247 Sports) every year since 2011. Clemson is one of only seven schools to produce a Top 15 class in each of the last 11 recruiting cycles, a group that also includes Alabama, Auburn, Georgia, LSU, Notre Dame and Ohio State. After that group, the next longest active streak of Top 15 classes is six (Florida).

## SIGN AND DEVELOP

While proud of his incoming classes, Head Coach Dabo Swinney has long stated that a true ranking of a recruiting class cannot and should not be published until four years later when the group can be evaluated on performance rather than potential.

Much to Swinney's delight, The Athletic has annually assumed that role in recent years, re-ranking every recruiting class four years later to account for on-field performance.

For its re-rankings, The Athletic uses the following grading scale: 5 points: All-American, award winner, top-50 NFL Draft pick; 4: Multi-year starter, all-conference honors; 3: One-year starter or key reserve; 2: Career backup; 0: Minor or no contribution, left the program. The outlet also adds a bonus to each program's class average, derived from its total number of wins from 2017 through 2020 (e.g.: For re-ranking the Class of 2017, Clemson won 51 games, so its class average received a bonus of 0.51).

Even in its current stretch of recruiting success, Swinney has often pointed out Clemson drops in rankings for signing smaller recruiting classes as a function of lower attrition than other programs, as well as noting that much of Clemson's on-field success is a function of the program's development, citing All-Americans like former three-star Isaiah Simmons or former two-star Nolan Turner. The re-rankings illustrate Clemson's pristine recent track record of talent identification, culture fit, resource allocation and player development.

## CLEMSON RECRUITING RANKINGS AND RE-RANKINGS (VIA THE ATHLETIC)

Class	Rank	Re-Rank	Diff.	Record
2014	16	6	+10	50-7
2015	9	2	+7	55-4
2016	11	1	+10	55-4
2017	16	5	+11	51-5
Average	13.0	3.5	+9.5	

Note: Initial rank according to 247 Composite

On average, Clemson finished 13th in the 247 Composite team rankings across the 2014-17 recruiting cycles. Upon re-ranking those groups, Clemson ranked 3.5 on average, a ratings bump of nearly 10 full spots. Each of those Clemson classes won at least 50 games in their four-year window.

## -- HEAD COACH DABO SWINNEY --

## ESTEEMED COMPANY

Head Coach Dabo Swinney's run of excellence in his tenure at Clemson has placed him in the company of college football legends.

Swinney boasts a career winning percentage of .806, sitting as one of only 13 head coaches in history with at least 10 seasons of FBS head coaching experience to post a mark of .800 or better.

## WINNIGEST COACHES BY PERCENTAGE (NCAA FBS HISTORY, MIN. 10 YEARS)

Rk	Coach	Seasons	Record	Pct.
1.	Knute Rockne Notre Dame 1918-30	13	105-12-5	.881
2.	Frank Leahy Boston College 1939-40, Notre Dame 41-43, 46-53	13	107-13-9	.864
3.	Urban Meyer Bowling Green 2001-02, Utah 03-04, Florida 05-10, Ohio St. 12-18	17	187-32-0	.854
4.	George Woodruff Penn 1892-1901, Illinois 03, Carlisle 05	12	142-25-2	.846
5.	Barry Switzer Oklahoma 1973-88	16	157-29-4	.837
6.	Tom Osborne Nebraska 1973-97	25	255-49-3	.836
7.	Fielding Yost Ohio Wesleyan 1897, Nebraska 98, Kansas 99, San Jose St. 1900, Stanford 00, Michigan 01-23, 25-26	30	198-35-12	.833
8.	Percy Houghton Cornell 1899-1900, Harvard 08-16, Columbia 23-24	13	96-17-6	.832
9.	Bob Neyland Tennessee 1926-34, 36-40, 46-52	21	173-31-12	.829
10.	Bud Wilkinson Oklahoma 1947-63	17	145-29-4	.826
11.	Jock Sutherland Lafayette 1919-23, Pittsburgh 24-38	20	144-28-14	.812
12.	<b>Dabo Swinney</b> <b>Clemson 2008-21</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>141-34-0</b>	<b>.806</b>
13.	Bob Devaney Wyoming 1957-61, Nebraska 62-72	16	136-30-7	.806
14.	Bob Stoops Oklahoma 1999-2016	18	190-48-0	.798
15.	Frank Thomas Chattanooga 1925-28, Alabama 31-42, 44-46	19	141-33-9	.795

## IN SEARCH OF WIN NO. 150

Head Coach Dabo Swinney is 141-34 in 175 career games and needs nine more wins to reach 150 career victories.

Among coaches who qualify for the NCAA FBS record book by virtue of five years or 50 wins as a major college head coach, only 15 have ever reached 150 career wins in 200 games or less. Fourteen of the 15 are College Football Hall of Famers, with the 15th — Urban Meyer — likely to be inducted upon meeting eligibility requirements.

## FEWEST GAMES TO REACH 150 WINS (NCAA FBS HISTORY)

Rk	Coach	School(s)	Games
1.	Urban Meyer	BGSU, Utah, Fla., Ohio St.	176
2.	Gil Dobie	NDSU, Wash., Navy, Cornell, BC	180
	Barry Switzer	Oklahoma	180
4.	Fielding Yost	OWU, Neb., KU, JSU, Stan., Mich.	184
	Joe Paterno	Penn St.	184
6.	Tom Osborne	Nebraska	187
	Bob Stoops	Oklahoma	187
8.	Bob Neyland	Tennessee	189
9.	Frank Kush	Arizona State	190
10.	Wallace Wade	Alabama, Duke	193
11.	Bo Schembechler	Miami (Ohio), Michigan	194
12.	Steve Spurrier	Duke, Florida, South Carolina	197
13.	Howard Jones	Cuse, Yale, Ohio St., Iowa, Duke, USC	198
14.	Dan McGugin	Vanderbilt	200
	Darrell Royal	Miss. St., Washington, Texas	200

Note: Includes victories at all levels recognized by the NCAA; must record five years or 50 wins as a major college head coach to qualify; Swinney (141-34 in 175 games) and Kansas' Lance

Leipold (147-40 in 187 games) can add themselves to the list in 2021.

The fastest Swinney could reach 150 victories would be 184 games if Clemson were to win its next nine games. That would tie him with Fielding Yost and Joe Paterno as the fourth-fastest FBS coach to 150 career wins and the third-fastest in the modern era.

Four previous Clemson head coaches earned 150+ FBS wins in their careers: John Heisman (186), Jess Neely (207), Frank Howard (165) and Ken Hatfield (168). Howard, a College Football Hall of Famer, is the only coach to reach 150 career wins as Clemson's head coach. He recorded his 150th victory in his 273rd career game, in a 14-10 victory against Maryland in 1966 that clinched a piece of what later became an outright ACC title. Heisman earned win No. 150 in game No. 203, Neely earned it in game No. 268, and Hatfield did it in game 259, though none of those three won more than 43 games in their Clemson tenures.

According to data furnished by Sports Reference, only five active coaches have recorded at least 150 career victories as an FBS coach (excluding wins coaching at other levels). All five needed at least 200 games to reach 150 career wins, led by TCU's Gary Patterson, who recorded win No. 150 in his 204th career game.

## GAMES NEEDED TO REACH 150 FBS VICTORIES (ACTIVE HEAD COACHES)

Rk	Coach	School(s)	Games
1.	Gary Patterson	TCU	204
2.	Nick Saban	Toledo, Mich. St., LSU, 'Bama	205
3.	Brian Kelly	CMU, Cincinnati, Notre Dame	209
4.	Mack Brown	Tulane, UNC, Texas	239
5.	Kirk Ferentz	Iowa	251

Source: Sports Reference

Notes: Coaches with 150+ FBS wins entering 2021 included; Kelly reached 150 total wins across all levels in 207 games including his time at Division II Grand Valley State, but coached 209 at FBS programs before earning 150 FBS wins; Brown reached 150 wins across all levels in 243 games including his time at then-Division I-AA Appalachian State, but coached 239 games at FBS programs before earning 150 FBS wins.

Included below are the number of games needed for a sample of other notable coaches to reach 150 victories: John Vaught (201), Mark Richt (205), Red Blaik (207), Dan Devine (208), Woody Hayes (209), Bear Bryant (212), Ara Parseghian (212), Pat Dye (212), Bobby Bowden (213), Pop Warner (214), LaVell Edwards (214), Jim Tressel (214), Vince Dooley (214), Amos Alonzo Stagg (225), John Cooper (225), Frank Beamer (230), Lou Holtz (230), Bill Snyder (231), Johnny Majors (255), George Welsh (261), Hayden Fry (277).

## FIRST 13+ SEASONS

Dabo Swinney is tied for the seventh-most wins through the first 15 years of a head coaching career in FBS history.

The most impressive part of that? Swinney is in only his 14th season (and his 13th full season) in 2021.

## MOST WINS IN FIRST 15 SEASONS (NCAA FBS HISTORY)

Rk	Coach	School(s)	Games
1.	Urban Meyer	BGSU, Utah, Fla., Ohio St.	165
2.	Bob Stoops	Oklahoma	160
3.	Barry Switzer	Oklahoma	149
4.	Tom Osborne	Nebraska	147
5.	Mark Richt	Georgia	145
6.	Steve Spurrier	Duke, Florida	142
7.	<b>Dabo Swinney</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>141</b>
	Joe Paterno	Penn St.	141
9.	Les Miles	Oklahoma St., LSU	140
	Paul Johnson	Ga. Southern, Navy, Georgia Tech	140



Note: Swinney is in his 14th season, including a partial season in 2008.

## TOP ACTIVE WINNING PERCENTAGE

Head Coach Dabo Swinney leads the NCAA's list of winningest active head coaches by percentage with a minimum of five years of experience.

### WINNING PCT. BY ACTIVE FBS HEAD COACHES (MIN. 5 YEARS)

Rk	Coach, School	Record	Pct.
1.	Dabo Swinney, Clemson	141-34-0	.806
2.	Nick Saban, Alabama	258-65-1	.798
3.	Kirby Smart, Georgia	54-14-0	.794
4.	Lance Leipold, Buffalo	147-40-0	.786
5.	Jimbo Fisher, Texas A&M	111-33-0	.771
6.	Bryan Harsin, Auburn	78-24-0	.765
7.	Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	254-95-2	.726
8.	David Shaw, Stanford	91-37-0	.711
9.	Gary Patterson, TCU	180-74-0	.709
10.	Jim Harbaugh, Michigan	109-49-0	.690

Notes: Coach must spend five years as an FBS head coach to qualify but records reflect results at all levels

Despite having coached fewer seasons than all of the coaches listed ahead of him and despite having never coached at lower NCAA levels, Swinney ranks 12th among active FBS head coaches in total wins.

### CAREER WINS (ACTIVE FBS HEAD COACHES)

Rk	Coach, School	Wins
1.	Mack Brown, North Carolina	260
2.	Nick Saban, Alabama	258
3.	Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	254
4.	Willie Fritz, Tulane	184
5.	Kirk Ferentz, Iowa	182
6.	Gary Patterson, TCU	180
7.	Chris Creighton, Eastern Michigan	170
8.	Skip Holtz, Louisiana Tech	149
9.	Lance Leipold, Kansas	147
10.	Mike Leach, Mississippi State	145
11.	Craig Bohl, Wyoming	144
12.	Dabo Swinney, Clemson	141
13.	Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State	139
14.	Kyle Whittingham, Utah	135
15.	Dave Clawson, Wake Forest	132

Notes: Includes victories across all levels of college football

## SIX "FINAL FOURS" FOR SWINNEY

While the term "Final Four" may still be the linguistic property of the men's basketball tournament, since the advent of the four-team College Football Playoff in 2014, Head Coach Dabo Swinney has had Clemson among the sport's final four teams in each of the last six seasons, becoming the first coach to lead a team to six consecutive College Football Playoffs since the format's institution in 2014.

The men's college basketball tournament dates to 1939. In the history of that tournament, only John Wooden of UCLA (nine from 1967-75) and Mike Krzyzewski of Duke (five from 1988-92) coached teams to at least five consecutive Final Fours. With his sixth "Final Four" appearance in 2020, Swinney joined basketball's Wooden as the only college football or men's basketball coaches to take teams to six consecutive Final Fours in their respective sports.

During Wooden's streak of nine straight Final Fours, he recorded eight championships and a semifinal loss. Coach K's Blue Devils had two championships, a second-place finish and two semifinal losses in their run. Nick Saban's Final Four history includes three championships, two runner-up finishes and a semifinal loss, while Swinney so far has two championships, two runner-up finishes and two semifinal losses.

Swinney is among only nine coaches in football and men's basketball to record six career Final Four berths. He is one of only six with a winning record in Final Four

games.

## COACHES WITH SIX OR MORE FINAL FOURS (FOOTBALL & MEN'S BASKETBALL)

Coach, School (Sport)	Final Fours*	Record*	Pct.
^John Wooden, UCLA (MBB)	12	21-3	.875
Mike Krzyzewski, Duke (MBB)	12	14-7	.667
Dean Smith, UNC (MBB)	11	7-9	.438
Roy Williams, Kansas/UNC (MBB)	9	9-6	.600
Tom Izzo, Michigan State (MBB)	8	3-7	.300
Nick Saban, Alabama (FB)	6	8-3	.727
<b>^Dabo Swinney, Clemson (FB)</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6-4</b>	<b>.600</b>
Denny Crum, Louisville (MBB)	6	4-4	.500
Adolph Rupp, Kentucky (MBB)	6	9-2	.818

\* - Men's Basketball Final Four or College Football Playoff

^ - indicates streak of at least six consecutive Final Fours

Swinney's ability to place his team among the nation's elite quartet is also illustrated by the polls. Clemson finished first in the AP Poll in 2016 and 2018, second in 2015 and 2019, third in 2020 and fourth in 2017. Swinney became just the fourth coach to record at least six consecutive top four finishes since the AP Poll began in 1936, an exclusive list that also includes Florida State's Bobby Bowden (13), USC's Pete Carroll (seven) and Oklahoma's Bud Wilkinson (six).

Clemson's streak represents the fifth time a program has had a run of at least six top four finishes in the AP Poll. Miami (Fla.) had a seven-year run from 1986-92 with two different head coaches leading the program.

### MOST CONSECUTIVE TOP-FOUR FINISHES (AP POLL SINCE 1936)

Rk.	School	Head Coach(es)	Seasons	Streak
1.	Florida State	Bobby Bowden	1987-00	13
2.	USC	Pete Carroll	2002-08	7
	Miami (Fla.)	Jimmy Johnson	1986-88	7
		Dennis Erickson	1989-92	
4.	Clemson	Dabo Swinney	2015-20	6
	Oklahoma	Bud Wilkinson	1952-57	6

## STAFF CONTINUITY

Clemson has become a beacon of stability in the increasingly unstable environment of college football. Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney is in his 19th overall season at Clemson in 2021, including his 13th full season as head coach (and his 14th including an interim stint in 2008).

From the start of Swinney's first season as full-time head coach in 2009 through 2020, there have been nearly 400 head coaching tenures in the FBS (excluding those by interims), but only one such tenure at Clemson. Clemson and Duke are the only schools in the ACC with only one head coach since the start of the 2009 season, and among the 11 schools ever to qualify for the College Football Playoff, only Clemson and Alabama have had only one head coach since 2009.

### HEAD COACHES SINCE 2009 (CURRENT ACC PROGRAMS)

Rk	School	No.	Coach(es)
1.	Clemson	1	Swinney
	Duke	1	Cutcliffe
3.	Georgia Tech	2	Johnson, Collins
	North Carolina St.	2	O'Brien, Doeren
	Virginia Tech	2	Beamer, Fuente
	Wake Forest	2	Grobe, Clawson
7.	Boston College	3	Spaziani, Addazio, Haffey
	Syracuse	3	Shafer, Marrone, Babers
	Virginia	3	Groh, London, Mendenhall
10.	Florida St.	4	Bowden, Fisher, Taggart, Norvell
	Louisville	4	Kragthorpe, Strong, Petrino, Satterfield
	Miami	4	Shannon, Golden, Richt, Diaz
	North Carolina	4	Davis, Withers, Fedora, Brown
	Pittsburgh	4	Wannstedt, Graham, Chryst, Narduzzi

Note: Full-time head coaches

### HEAD COACHES SINCE 2009 (ALL-TIME CFP PARTICIPANTS)

Rk	School	No.	Coach(es)
1.	Clemson	1	Swinney
	Alabama	1	Saban
3.	Georgia	2	Richt, Smart
	LSU	2	Miles, Orgeron
	Michigan State	2	Dantonio, Tucker
	Notre Dame	2	Weis, Kelly
	Oklahoma	2	Stoops, Riley
8.	Oregon	3	Kelly, Helfrich, Cristobal
	Washington	3	Sarkisian, Petersen, Lake
10.	Florida St.	4	Bowden, Fisher, Taggart, Norvell
	Ohio State	4	Tressel, Fickell, Meyer, Day

By date of initial hire (including interim hires), Swinney is the 11th-longest-tenured head coach in the FBS and the eighth-longest tenured among Power Five conference head coaches.

### LONGEST-TENURED FBS HEAD COACHES (BY HIRE DATE)

Rk	Coach, School	Hire Date
1.	Kirk Ferentz, Iowa	Dec. 2, 1998
2.	Gary Patterson, TCU	Dec. 8, 2000
3.	Kyle Whittingham, Utah	Dec. 9, 2004
4.	Mike Gundy, Oklahoma State	Jan. 3, 2005
5.	Rick Stockstill, Middle Tennessee State	Dec. 12, 2005
6.	Pat Fitzgerald, Northwestern	July 7, 2006
7.	Troy Calhoun, Air Force	Dec. 22, 2006
8.	Nick Saban, Alabama	Jan. 3, 2007
9.	Ken Niumatalolo, Navy	Dec. 8, 2007
10.	David Cutcliffe, Duke	Dec. 15, 2007
11.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>Oct. 13, 2008</b>
12.	Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	Dec. 11, 2009
13.	David Shaw, Stanford	Dec. 13, 2011
14.	Mark Stoops, Kentucky	Nov. 27, 2012
15.	Dave Doeren, NC State	Dec. 1, 2012

Clemson's continuity at head coach has helped create continuity throughout the entire coaching staff. This year's Clemson staff will be one of only eight in the FBS to feature at least four coaches (head coach and/or full-time assistants) who have been with their current program for at least 10 seasons in 2021.

### CLEMSON FULL-TIME COACHES

Coach	Year at Clemson
Dabo Swinney	19th
Tony Elliott*	11th
Robbie Caldwell	11th
Brent Venables	10th
Mike Reed	9th
Brandon Streeter*	8th
Todd Bates	5th
Mickey Conn*	5th
Lemanski Hall*	4th
Tyler Grisham*	2nd
C.J. Spiller*	1st

Note: Years do not include time as a player or years spent in roles other than full-time coaching positions (graduate assistants, analysts, coaching internships, etc.). Those denoted by asterisks have additional years at Clemson beyond full-time coaching roles.

### FULL-TIME COACHES WITH 10+ YEARS AT CURRENT PROGRAM

Rk	School	No.
1.	Northwestern	6
	Navy	6
3.	Iowa	5
4.	Clemson	4
	TCU	4
	Ohio	4
	Stanford	4
	Wisconsin	4

### LONGEST-TENURED ACTIVE COORDINATORS AT SAME SCHOOL (FBS)

Rk	Coach (School, Role)	No.
1.	Tim Albin (Ohio, Head Coach/OC)	17
2.	Ivin Jasper (Navy, OC)	14

3. Mike Thiessen (Air Force, OC)	12
4. <b>Brent Venables (Clemson, DC)</b>	<b>10</b>
Phil Parker (Iowa, DC)	10

## TOP WIN PERCENTAGE IN ACC HISTORY

Head Coach Dabo Swinney is perched atop ACC history in overall winning percentage with a mark of .806. He is the only coach in ACC history with a career winning percentage of .800 or better with a minimum of three ACC seasons.

## TOP OVERALL WINNING PERCENTAGE IN ACC HISTORY (MIN. 3 SEASONS)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Record	Pct.
1.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>141-34-0</b>	<b>.806</b>
2.	Jimbo Fisher, Florida State	83-23-0	.783
3.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	173-53-1	.764
4.	Danny Ford, Clemson	96-29-4	.760
5.	Lou Holtz, NC State	33-12-3	.719

Swinney also boasts an 85-17 record in ACC regular season games, a winning percentage of .833, ahead of College Football Hall of Famer Bobby Bowden's previous conference record of .813.

## TOP CONFERENCE WINNING PERCENTAGE IN ACC HISTORY (MIN. 3 SEASONS)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Record*	Pct.
1.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>85-17-0</b>	<b>.833</b>
2.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	117-27-0	.813
3.	Jerry Claiborne, Maryland	46-11-1	.802
4.	Bill Murray, Duke	54-15-2	.775
5.	Danny Ford, Clemson	44-14-1	.754

\* - regular season play (excludes ACC Championship Games)

On a non-percentage basis, Swinney ranks second in ACC history in career victories leading an ACC program. He is also one bowl victory shy of Bobby Bowden's record for bowl wins as head coach of an ACC team.

## CAREER HEAD COACHING VICTORIES (ACC HISTORY)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Wins
1.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	173
2.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>141</b>
3.	George Welsh, Virginia	134
4.	Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	113
5.	Bill Dooley, North Carolina & Wake Forest	98

Note: Only counts seasons in which the programs competed as members of the ACC

## CAREER HEAD COACHING VICTORIES IN ACC REGULAR SEASON PLAY (ACC HISTORY)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Wins
1.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	117
2.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>85</b>
	George Welsh, Virginia	85
4.	Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	69
5.	Frank Howard, Clemson	66

## CAREER HEAD COACHING BOWL VICTORIES (ACC HISTORY)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Wins
1.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	11
2.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>10</b>
3.	Frank Beamer, Virginia Tech	6
	Danny Ford, Clemson	6
5.	Jimbo Fisher, Florida State	5
	Ralph Friedgen, Maryland	5

This year, Swinney can catch College Football Hall of Famer Frank Howard in total conference championships. Howard led Clemson to eight conference titles, including two Southern Conference championships and six ACC crowns.

## CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS AS CLEMSON HEAD COACH

Rk	Coach (Clemson Tenure)	Titles
1.	Frank Howard (1940-69)	8
2.	<b>Dabo Swinney (2008-Present)</b>	<b>7</b>
3.	Danny Ford (1978-89)	5
4.	John Heisman (1900-03)	3
5.	Ken Hatfield (1990-93)	1
	Charley Pell (1977-78)	1
	Bob Williams (1906, 1909, 1913-15)	1

Swinney's seven ACC titles are the second most since the conference's founding in 1953.

## MOST ACC CHAMPIONSHIPS (ALL-TIME)

Rk	Coach, School(s)	Titles
1.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	12
2.	<b>Dabo Swinney, Clemson</b>	<b>7</b>
3.	Frank Howard, Clemson	6
	Bill Murray, Duke	6
5.	Danny Ford, Clemson	5
	Earl Edwards, NC State	5

## -- TIGER TIDBITS --

## ALL-TIME ACC LEADERS

Since the conference's founding in 1953, no program has won more regular season games in Atlantic Coast Conference play than Clemson. With a win against Virginia last year, Clemson earned its 300th official regular season victory over an ACC opponent, becoming the first program to accomplish the feat.

## MOST WINS IN REGULAR SEASON ACC PLAY (ALL-TIME, PER ACC RECORDS)

Rank	School (Joined)	Wins
1.	<b>Clemson (1953)</b>	<b>306</b>
2.	North Carolina (1953)	242
3.	NC State (1953)	233
4.	Virginia (1954)	188
5.	Florida State (1992)	174
6.	Duke (1953)	161
7.	Georgia Tech (1979)	153
8.	Wake Forest (1953)	149
9.	Virginia Tech (2004)	95
10.	Miami (2004)	78
11.	Boston College (2005)	61
12.	Pitt (2013)	36
13.	Louisville (2014)	29
14.	Syracuse (2013)	20

Note: Active ACC members

## A FAMILIAR NO. 1

A year ago, Clemson opened the 2020 season at No. 1 atop both polls, marking the program's second straight top preseason ranking. With the top selection in the AP Poll, Clemson became the sixth program since the inception of the preseason poll in 1950 ever to open consecutive preseason polls at No. 1, joining Alabama (2016-18), USC (2004-05), Oklahoma (1985-87, 1974-75, 1956-57), Ohio State (1969-70) and Notre Dame (1953-54).

Seeing Clemson at No. 1 has started to feel familiar in recent years, as 2020 represented the sixth straight year in which Clemson appeared at No. 1 in at least one AP Poll. Dabo Swinney joined Nick Saban (13) as the only coach in AP Poll history (since 1936) to lead a team to at least one No. 1 ranking in six consecutive years. Clemson, Alabama (14 from 2008-21) and Miami (seven from 1986-92) are the only programs to appear at No. 1 in at least six consecutive years.

## CONSECUTIVE SEASONS REACHING NO. 1 IN AP POLL (SINCE 1936)

Rk	School	Streak	Years
1.	Alabama	14*	2008-21
2.	Miami (FL)	7	1986-92

## RECENT STREAKS

A collection of notable runs recorded by Clemson at various points since 2018

## WINNING STREAKS OF 25+ GAMES (MAJOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Oklahoma	1953-57	47
2.	Washington	1908-14	40
3.	Yale	1890-93	37
	Yale	1887-89	37
5.	Toledo	1969-71	35
6.	Miami (Fla.)	2000-03	34
	Penn	1894-86	34
8.	Oklahoma	1948-50	31
	Pitt	1914-18	31
	Penn	1896-98	31
11.	Texas	1968-70	30
12.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>29</b>
	Florida State	2012-14	29
	Miami (Fla.)	1990-93	29
	Michigan	1901-03	29

## LONGEST WINNING STREAKS (ACC HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>29</b>
	Florida State	2012-14	29
3.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2014-15</b>	<b>17</b>
	Florida State	1999-2000	17
5.	Florida State	1992-93	16

## LONGEST REGULAR SEASON WINNING STREAK (ACC HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2017-20</b>	<b>36</b>
2.	Florida State	2013-15	30
3.	Florida State	1998-2000	26
4.	Clemson	2014-16	23

Note: includes all regular season games (conference and non-conference)

## LONGEST REGULAR SEASON WINNING STREAK (FBS SINCE 1936)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Oklahoma	1953-57	45
2.	Miami (Fla.)	2000-03	39
3.	Nebraska	1992-96	37
4.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2017-20</b>	<b>36</b>
	Miami (Fla.)	1985-88	36
6.	Boise State	2008-10	35

Note: includes all regular season games (conference and non-conference)

## LONGEST WINNING STREAK IN NON-BOWL GAMES (FBS SINCE 2005)

Rk	School	Streak	Years
1.	Oklahoma	45	1953-57
2.	Miami (Fla.)	39	2000-03
	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>2017-Pres.</b>
4.	Nebraska	37	1992-96
5.	Miami (Fla.)	36	1985-88
6.	Boise State	35	2018-10

Note: includes all regular season games and conference championships; via ESPN Stats & Info

## STREAKS OF 20-POINT WINS (AP POLL ERA)

Rk	School	Year(s)	Streak
1.	Alabama	2018	12
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>11</b>
3.	Five teams tied		10

## STREAKS OF 14-POINT WINS (AP POLL ERA)

Rk	School	Year(s)	Streak
1.	Army	1944-46	21
2.	Georgia	1945-46	15
3.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>14</b>
	Florida State	2012-13	14
	Oklahoma	1955-56	14
5.	Utah	2003-04	13
	Boise State	2002-03	13
	Nebraska	1995-96	13

3. Clemson	6*	2015-20
4. Texas	5	1961-65
Oklahoma	5	1954-58
Notre Dame	5	1946-50

\* - Active streaks

Note: Alabama already extended its streak in 2021. Clemson was No. 1 for nine polls in 2020 and can extend its streak with at least one appearance at No. 1 in 2021. Those two schools represent the only programs with active streaks at No. 1.

Clemson has played 22 games all-time as the nation's No. 1-ranked team in the AP Poll, tied with mid-century powerhouse Army for 14th-most in poll history. Twenty-one of those games have been coached by Dabo Swinney, 17th-most all-time.

## MOST GAMES PLAYED AS AP NO. 1 TEAM

Rk	School	Games	Record	Pct.
1.	Alabama	113	100-13	.88.5
2.	Ohio State	88	75-12-1	.85.8
3.	Oklahoma	82	74-8	.90.2
4.	Notre Dame	79	63-13-3	.81.6
5.	USC	76	68-6-2	.90.8
6.	Florida State	55	50-5	.90.9
7.	Nebraska	54	46-7-1	.86.1
8.	Miami (Fla.)	48	42-6	.87.5
9.	Texas	40	30-7-3	.78.8
10.	LSU	34	30-4	.88.2
11.	Florida	32	26-6	.81.3
12.	Michigan	27	22-5	.81.5
13.	Michigan State	26	22-4	.84.6
14.	Clemson	22	19-3	.86.4
	Army	22	20-0-2	.95.5
16.	Pittsburgh	17	13-4	.76.5
	Tennessee	17	16-1	.94.1

Records reflect results as the AP No. 1, not total games

## MOST GAMES COACHING AP NO. 1 TEAM

Rk	Coach	Games	Record	Pct.
1.	Nick Saban^	89	81-8	.91.0
2.	Bobby Bowden*	45	40-5	.88.9
	Woody Hayes*	45	40-4-1	.90.0
4.	Pete Carroll	33	31-2	.93.9
	Tom Osborne*	33	27-5-1	.83.3
6.	Frank Leahy*	32	29-2-1	.92.2
7.	John McKay*	31	28-2-1	.91.9
	Barry Switzer*	31	28-3	.90.3
9.	Bear Bryant*	27	21-6	.77.8
10.	Bob Stoops	26	23-3	.88.5
11.	Darrell Royal*	25	20-4-1	.82.0
	Bud Wilkinson*	25	23-2	.92.0
13.	Red Blaik*	22	20-0-2	.95.5
	Larry Coker	22	21-1	.95.5
	Lou Holtz*	22	18-4	.81.8
	Urban Meyer	22	21-1	.95.5
17.	Dabo Swinney^	21	18-3	.85.7
18.	Jim Tressel*	19	15-4	.78.9
19.	Steve Spurrier*	18	14-4	.77.8
20.	Ara Parseghian*	17	12-4-1	.73.5

^ - active; \* - College Football Hall of Famer

Records reflect results as the AP No. 1, not total games coached

A total of 22 coaches have led the AP's top-ranked team into a game at least 15 times. Seventeen of the 22 coaches on the list are College Football Hall of Famers. Swinney holds a total of nine career victories over five coaches on the list, including two each over Bob Stoops, Nick Saban, Urban Meyer and Steve Spurrier and one over Bobby Bowden.

## CHAMPIONSHIP HERITAGE

After being named Clemson's full-time coach in December of 2008, Head Coach Dabo Swinney set about securing his first signing class in 2009.

His first class, which he tabbed the "Dandy Dozen," brought home Clemson's first ACC title since 1991 during their junior campaign in 2011. Excluding the incoming freshmen, all of Clemson's signing classes under Swinney have at least one ACC title to their credit in their tenures at Clemson, and every signing class

since 2012 has earned at least one College Football Playoff berth.

## CHAMPIONSHIPS BY SIGNING CLASS (CLEMSON UNDER DABO SWINNEY)

Signing Class	ACC/National Titles in Four Years
2009	2011 ACC Champions
2010	2011 ACC Champions
2011	2011 ACC Champions
2012	2015 ACC Champions
2013	2015-16 ACC Champions
	2016 National Champions
2014	2015-17 ACC Champions
	2016 National Champions
2015	2015-18 ACC Champions
	2016 & 2018 National Champions
2016	2016-19 ACC Champions
	2016 & 2018 National Champions
2017	2017-20 ACC Champions
	2018 National Champions
2018	2018-20 ACC Champions
	2018 National Champions
2019	2019-20 ACC Champions
2020	2020 ACC Champions

## EXCEEDING EXPECTATIONS

Much like Clemson's recruiting classes that have delivered above national expectation (see "Sign and Develop" section above), Clemson's current decade of 10-win seasons has been built upon exceeding national expectations.

While Clemson's national cache has resulted in elevated preseason perches in recent years, prior to 2019, Clemson equaled or exceeded its postseason AP and USA Today rankings in comparison to its preseason rankings in eight straight seasons. That included little margin for error in both 2016 and 2018, as Clemson finished No. 1 by winning the national championship to exceed the school's No. 2 preseason ranking both times.

Clemson exceeded its USA Today coaches poll preseason ranking eight straight years from 2011-18, the longest such streak in poll history.

## CLEMSON'S PRESEASON VS. POSTSEASON POLLS

Year	AP Pre,Post	USA Pre,Post
2011	NR,22	NR,22
2012	14,11	14,9
2013	8,8	8,7
2014	16,15	16,15
2015	12,2	12,2
2016	2,1	2,1
2017	5,4	5,4
2018	2,1	2,1
2019	1,2	1,2
2020	1,3	1,3

## MEETING (AND BEATING) THE BEST

Since 2015, Clemson is 23-6 (.793) against AP Top 25 teams, the best winning percentage in the ACC and third-best winning percentage in the country.

## HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE VS. AP TOP 25 TEAMS (SINCE 2015)

Rk	School	Record	Win Pct.
1.	Alabama	36-6	.857
2.	Ohio State	25-6	.806
3.	Clemson	23-6	.793
4.	Oklahoma	24-7	.774
5.	LSU	21-10	.677

Note: min. 5 games; data per SportSource Analytics

Clemson is also 12-6 (.667) against AP Top 10 opponents in that time frame, one of only five teams in college football to produce double-digit wins against Top 10 foes in that span.

Clemson's success hasn't been limited to teams ranked at the time of the game. Since 2015, Clemson's

52 wins against teams that finish above .500 leads the nation and its .882 in winning percentage against teams that finish the season above .500 ranks second.

## HIGHEST WINNING PERCENTAGE VS. TEAMS THAT FINISH ABOVE .500 (SINCE 2015)

Rk	School	Record	Win Pct.
1.	Alabama	51-6	.895
2.	Clemson	52-7	.882
3.	Ohio State	38-8	.826
4.	Oklahoma	36-10	.783
5.	Georgia	33-14	.702

Note: Includes opponents presently over .500 in 2021

## -- STREAKING --

## PLAYOFF STREAK

With six consecutive College Football Playoff appearances, Clemson's active playoff streak is as long or longer than:

- All 32 NFL teams
- 29 of 30 MLB teams
- 28 of 31 NHL teams
- 28 of 30 NBA teams

So, despite only four teams making the College Football Playoff each year, Clemson's playoff streak is as long or longer than 117 of the 123 teams in the four major professional sports.

Included below is a look at the only six teams in the four major professional leagues with active playoff streaks exceeding Clemson's six:

## LONGEST ACTIVE PLAYOFF STREAKS (MAJOR PROFESSIONAL SPORTS)

Rk	Team (League)	Years	Streak
1.	Pittsburgh Penguins (NHL)	2007-21	15
2.	Los Angeles Dodgers (MLB)	2013-20	8
	Portland Trail Blazers (NBA)	2014-21	8
4.	Nashville Predators (NHL)	2014-21	7
	Washington Capitals (NHL)	2014-21	7
	Boston Celtics (NBA)	2015-21	7

## POLL STREAKS

Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 of 105 consecutive AP polls dating to the 2014 season, the second-longest active streak in the nation. That includes a streak of 96 straight top-10 rankings, tied for the second-longest streak in poll history.

Clemson has appeared in the Top 25 of 160 of a possible 167 polls (95.8 percent) since 2011, second-most in the nation.

## AP POLL APPEARANCES (SINCE 2011)

Rk	School	Polls	Pct.
1.	Alabama	167	100.0
2.	Clemson	160	95.8
	Oklahoma	160	95.8
4.	Ohio State	152	91.0
5.	LSU	141	84.4

## ACTIVE AP POLL (TOP 25) STREAKS

Rk	School	Streak	Started
1.	Alabama	216	2008
2.	Clemson	105	2014
3.	Georgia	69	2017
4.	Notre Dame	65	2017
5.	Florida	48	2018

## CLEMSON'S LONGEST AP TOP 25 STREAKS

Rk	Years	Streak
1.	2014-Present	105
2.	2011-14	50
	1989-92	50
4.	1986-89	41
5.	2000-01	21

## ACTIVE AP POLL TOP 10 STREAKS

Rk	School	Streak	Started
1.	Clemson	96	2015



Alabama	96	2015
3. Ohio State	17	2020
4. Cincinnati	15	2020
5. Texas A&M	14	2020

## ALL-TIME AP POLL TOP 10 STREAKS

Rk	School	Streak	Years
1.	Miami (Fla.)	137	1985-93
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>96*</b>	<b>2015-20</b>
	Alabama	96*	2015-20
	Nebraska	96	1993-98
5.	Florida	81	1992-97

\* - active streak

Prior to dropping to No. 6 following a one-possession loss to then-No. 5 Georgia in the season opener, Clemson had ranked in the Top 5 of 57 consecutive polls, dating to 2017. That ranked as the second-longest Top 5 streak in the history of the AP Poll, which dates to 1936.

## ALL-TIME AP POLL TOP 5 STREAKS

Rk	School	Streak	Years
1.	Alabama	68	2015-19
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>2017-21</b>
3.	Miami (Fla.)	55	2000-03
4.	Alabama	48	2011-13
	Ohio State	48	1973-76
	Oklahoma	48	1953-57

Tuesday, Sept. 7 of this year marked the first time that 120 of the 135 players on Clemson's roster had been ranked outside of the AP Top 5, and to date, all 135 (including sixth-year seniors) have spent their entire careers in the AP Top 10.

The 2020 season represented Clemson's sixth consecutive season finishing in the AP Top 5, tied for the fifth-longest streak in AP Poll history.

## LONGEST STREAKS OF AP TOP 5 FINISHES

Rk	School	Streak	Years	Coach(es)
1.	Florida State	14	1987-00	B. Bowden
2.	USC	7	2002-08	P. Carroll
	Miami (Fla.)	7	1986-92	J. Johnson (3), D. Erickson (4)
	Oklahoma	7	1952-58	B. Wilkinson
5.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>6*</b>	<b>2015-20</b>	<b>D. Swinney</b>
	Oklahoma	6	1971-76	C. Fairbanks (2), B. Switzer (4)
7.	Alabama	5	2014-18	N. Saban
	Notre Dame	5	1966-70	A. Parseghian

\* - active streak

Clemson was ranked No. 1 in nine consecutive polls to open 2020, its longest streak at No. 1 in school history. Clemson has been No. 1 in 25 polls all-time, 15th-most of any program behind No. 14 Army (27).

## CLEMSON'S LONGEST STREAKS AS AP NO. 1

Rk	Year(s)	Streak
1.	<b>2020</b>	<b>9</b>
2.	2018-19	6
3.	2015	5
4.	2017	2
	1981	2
6.	2016	1

## WHEN IN DOUBT, CLEMSON RESPONDS

After opening the 2020 season as the preseason No. 1, Clemson held firm as the nation's No. 1 team in the AP Poll until Nov. 8, 2020, when the Tigers dropped to No. 4 following a double-overtime loss at Notre Dame. In Head Coach Dabo Swinney's tenure, though opportunities have been limited, the Tigers have routinely responded well following dips in the AP rankings.

Under Swinney, Clemson is 26-5 in games in which it enters ranked lower in the AP Poll than it did in its previous contest. This includes the 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2021 season openers in which Clemson opened the season lower than its ranking from the final game of the previous campaign. Before a loss to Georgia

to open 2021, Clemson had won its previous 17 games when entering ranked lower in the AP Poll than in its previous game.

Clemson is also 27-7 in games following a loss under Swinney, including season openers following a loss in the previous season finale. Losses to Top 5 opponents Ohio State and Georgia across the 2020 and 2021 seasons ended a streak of 127 games since losing back-to-back contests, which had been the longest active streak in the nation and the longest in ACC history. Previously, Clemson's last time losing back-to-back games had come in 2011.

## STREAKS OF EXCELLENCE

Included below are a number of additional historically profound streaks presently being produced by Clemson:

- Has won 83 of its last 91 games overall dating to 2014.
- Has won 52 of its last 55 games against ACC teams.
- Has won 88 of its last 90 games, including each of its last 51, when leading at halftime.
- Is 110-2 since 2011 when leading after three quarters.
- Is 59-2 when scoring first since 2015, with both losses coming in the Superdome in New Orleans.
- Has a 109-2 record when totaling more first downs than its opponent since 2011.
- Has a 64-4 record when winning the turnover margin since 2011.
- Is 69-1 when rushing for 200+ yards under Dabo Swinney.
- Is 54-0 when both passing and rushing for 200+ yards under Dabo Swinney.
- Is 52-2 since 2015 when outscoring opponents in the "Middle Eight," defined as the final four minutes of the first half and the first four minutes of the second half.
- Is 52-2 when having a 100-yard rusher since 2011.
- Has won 28 of its last 30 games away from home against ACC teams.
- Has won 27 of its last 29 road games.
- Has won 43 of its last 50 games away from home.
- Has won 50 of its last 51 games at home, including a school-record 29 in a row.
- Has won 37 of its last 38 games against ACC Atlantic Division teams, including games against typical Atlantic division foes in a division-free season in 2020.
- Has won 25 of its last 26 games in September.
- Has won 27 of its last 28 games in October.
- Has won 15 of its last 16 games in November.
- Has won 14 games in a row in December.
- Has won 24 of its last 30 games against top-25 teams since the start of the 2015 season. That includes a 23-6 mark against AP Top 25 teams.
- Has won 90 of its last 91 games when holding teams under 23 points (dates to 2010), including 89 straight prior to a season-opening 10-3 loss to Georgia in 2021.
- Has won 27 of its last 33 one-possession games since 2011, the highest winning percentage in the country in one-score games in that span.

## HOME SWEET HOME

Clemson enters this week riding a school-record 29-game winning streak in games played at Memorial Stadium.

## LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAKS (CLEMSON HISTORY)

First Win	Last Win	Streak
South Carolina, 11/26/2016	[Active]	29
Georgia Tech, 11/14/2013	Syracuse, 11/5/2016	21

Auburn, 10/1/1927	Newberry, 10/17/1930	15
Troy, 9/3/2011	NC State, 11/17/2012	13
NC State, 10/21/1989	Georgia Tech, 9/28/1991	11

Clemson's 29-game home winning streak is the longest active streak in the country and is one win shy of becoming the 24th home winning streak of 30 games or more in FBS history.

## ACTIVE HOME WINNING STREAKS

Rk	School	No.
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>29</b>
2.	Notre Dame	25
3.	Cincinnati	22
4.	Memphis	16
5.	Oregon	13
6.	Liberty	12
7.	BYU	11
8.	Coastal Carolina	9
	Florida Atlantic	9
	Miami (Ohio)	9

## LONGEST HOME WINNING STREAK (FBS HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Miami (Fla.)	1985-94	58
2.	Alabama	1963-82	57
3.	Harvard	1890-95	56
4.	Michigan	1901-07	50
5.	Nebraska	1991-98	47
6.	Washington	1908-17	45
7.	Texas	1968-76	42
8.	Notre Dame	1907-18	40
9.	Oklahoma	2005-11	39
10.	Notre Dame	1919-27	38
11.	Florida State	1992-01	37
	Yale	1904-08	37
	Yale	1900-03	37
14.	Boise State	2006-11	35
15.	Marshall	1995-00	33
	Nebraska	1901-06	33
	Harvard	1900-03	33
18.	Boise State	2001-05	31
	Texas A&M	1990-95	31
	Yale	1890-93	31
21.	Florida	1994-99	30
	Auburn	1952-61	30
	Tennessee	1928-33	30

Note: Clemson has won 29 consecutive home games; streaks include bowl games held in home stadiums

Since the advent of the College Football Playoff prior to the start of the 2014 season, Clemson is 48-1 at home. Clemson's .980 winning percentage at home in that time frame is the best in the country, beating Alabama's 46-2 home record in the same span.

## BEST HOME WINNING PERCENTAGE SINCE 2014 (CFP ERA)

Rk	School	Record	Win Pct.
1.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>48-1</b>	<b>.980</b>
2.	Alabama	46-2	.958
3.	Ohio State	42-4	.913
4.	Liberty	17-2	.895
5.	Memphis	42-6	.875

## ROAD WARRIORS

Clemson has won 27 of its last 29 true road games. The Tigers have also earned victories in 43 of their last 50 games away from home overall.

Clemson's school-record road winning streak concluded in 2020. The final win of Clemson's 14-game road winning streak came on Oct. 17 at Georgia Tech.

## LONGEST WINNING STREAKS IN TRUE ROAD GAMES (CLEMSON HISTORY)

First Win	Last Win	Streak
NC State, 11/4/17	Georgia Tech, 10/17/20	14
Louisville, 9/17/15	Virginia Tech, 9/30/17	12

Virginia, 10/14/78	Notre Dame, 11/17/79	8
Furman, 11/8/47	The Citadel, 12/4/48	8
Boston College, 9/29/12	Virginia, 11/2/13	7
South Carolina, 10/19/39	South Carolina, 10/24/40	7

## ACC WINNING STREAKS

Clemson has won 52 of its last 55 games vs. ACC opponents, a time frame that features ACC Championship Game wins against North Carolina (2015), Virginia Tech (2016), Miami (2017), Pitt (2018), Virginia (2019) and Notre Dame (2020). Clemson has won its most recent game against every ACC team and owns a streak of at least two wins against every permanent member.

## ACTIVE WINNING STREAKS VS. ACC TEAMS

Opponent	CU Win Streak	Last Clemson Loss in Series
Wake Forest	12	2008 at Wake Forest
Boston College	10	2010 at Boston College
NC State	8	2011 at NC State
Georgia Tech	6	2014 at Georgia Tech
Louisville	6	Has never beaten Clemson
Virginia Tech	6	2007 at Clemson
Duke	5	2004 at Duke
Florida State	5	2014 at Florida State
Virginia	5	2004 at Virginia
North Carolina	4	2010 at North Carolina
Miami (Fla.)	3	2010 at Clemson
Syracuse	3	2017 at Syracuse
Pittsburgh	2	2016 at Clemson

Notes: Clemson won its last four games against Maryland prior to the Terrapins' exit from the ACC; the Terps' last win over Clemson came in 2009 at Maryland. Clemson also won its last meeting against Notre Dame in its lone season of ACC membership.

Clemson is responsible for three of the eight-longest winning streaks in ACC conference play all-time.

## LONGEST WINNING STREAKS VS. ACC OPPONENTS ALL-TIME

Rk	School	Years	Streak	Spoiler
1.	Florida State	1992-95	29	Virginia
2.	Clemson	2017-20	28	Notre Dame
	Florida State	2012-15	28	Georgia Tech
4.	Florida State	1998-2001	24	North Carolina
5.	Maryland	1973-77	21	NC State
6.	Clemson	1981-84	20	Georgia Tech
7.	Florida State	1995-98	18	NC State
8.	Clemson	2015-16	15	Pitt
	North Carolina	1970-73	15	Maryland

## TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS

Clemson has won 35 consecutive games against teams unranked in the AP Poll, the program's second-longest such winning streak since the inception of the poll in 1936. Clemson's last defeat at the hands of an unranked squad came in 2017 at Syracuse.

Clemson's longest winning streak against unranked teams came across the 2012-16 seasons, when Clemson won 46 in a row starting with a season-opening win against Auburn in 2012 and ending with an upset loss to Pitt in 2016.

Clemson is 109-12 against AP-unranked teams under Dabo Swinney, including wins in 86 of 88 games against those unranked teams since the start of the 2012 season.

## CONSECUTIVE WINS VS. TEAMS UNRANKED IN THE AP POLL (CLEMSON SINCE 1936)

Rk	Years	Streak
1.	2012-16	46
2.	2017-Present	35
3.	1947-49	14
	1989-91	14
5.	1983-84	13

## -- STUDENT-ATHLETE SPOTLIGHT --

### ALL-ACC HONORS

Clemson's 12 All-ACC selections in 2020 tied with Notre Dame for the most selections in the conference. Five of the players responsible for Clemson's 12 All-ACC selections (not counting honorable mentions) returned for 2021. Twenty-six of the 82 players to earn All-ACC status in 2020 remain in the conference this season, with Clemson accounting for a conference-high five of those 26.

### ACC TEAMS WITH RETURNING 2020 ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS

Rk	Years	No.
1.	Clemson	5
2.	Boston College	4
	NC State	4
	Wake Forest	4
5.	Miami	3
6.	North Carolina	2
7.	Louisville/Pitt/Syracuse/Virginia	1

Clemson's returning all-conference honorees include first-teamer Bryan Bresee as well as second-teamers Matt Bockhorst, James Skalski, Andrew Booth Jr. and safety Nolan Turner.

## -- NO. 5 QB DJ UIAGALELEI --

### "BIG CINCO" ON BIG STAGE

Asked for the proper pronunciation of his name, Clemson quarterback DJ Uiagalelei will walk you through the syllables of his surname of Samoan descent:

"ooh-ee-AHN-guh-luh-lay"

But he'll also offer a helpful tip:

"Or you can just call me 'Big Cinco.'"

Big Cinco is the 250-pound quarterback wearing No. 5 who assumed Clemson's starting role in 2021 after starting two games as a true freshman in the absence of Trevor Lawrence in 2020.

Uiagalelei was thrust into the starting lineup vs. Boston College in 2020 after Lawrence was diagnosed with COVID-19. With the win in his first start, Clemson improved to 20-13 all-time in games started by true freshman quarterbacks. He joined Steve Fuller, Willie Jordan, Patrick Sapp, Nealon Greene, Deshaun Watson and Lawrence as one of only seven true freshmen ever to start for Clemson at quarterback, and he joined Watson and Lawrence as the only true freshmen to win their starting debuts.

Uiagalelei impressed against Boston College as Clemson overcame an 18-point deficit to record the largest comeback win in the history of Death Valley. He completed 30-of-41 passes for 342 yards with two passing touchdowns and no interceptions, and also rushed six times for 25 yards with a rushing touchdown. His 342 passing yards were the third-most by a Clemson freshman (true or redshirt) in his starting debut, trailing Deshaun Watson's 435 yards against North Carolina in 2014 and Charlie Whitehurst's 420 yards against Duke in 2002.

### FIRST CAREER STARTS BY CLEMSON QUARTERBACKS SINCE 1980 (18-7)

Year	Quarterback	Opp.	C-A-Yds-I-TD	Result
1980	Homer Jordan	vs. Rice	7-10-142-0-1	19-3 W
1982	Mike Eppley	vs. Kentucky	9-13-95-0-0	24-6 W
1985	Randy Anderson	at Virginia Tech*	17-30-220-0-1	20-17 W
1985	Rodney Williams	vs. Virginia	7-12-101-1-0	27-24 W
1987	Chris Morocco	vs. Wake Forest	4-6-38-1-0	31-17 W
1990	DeChane Cameron	at Long Beach State*	6-8-69-0-0	59-0 W
1992	Richard Moncrief	vs. Ball State*	4-11-36-0-0	24-10 W
1992	Louis Solomon	vs. Duke	3-4-23-0-0	21-6 W
1992	Patrick Sapp	at Wake Forest	15-28-158-1-0	15-18 L

1993	Dexter McCleon	vs. South Carolina	6-12-89-0-0	16-13 W
1994	Nealon Greene	at Duke	16-30-172-0-0	13-19 L
1997	Brandon Streeter	vs. No. 5 Florida State	6-12-72-1-0	28-35 L
1998	Woody Dantzler	at North Carolina	2-6-18-0-0	14-21 L
2002	Willie Simmons	at Georgia*	17-37-165-1-1	28-31 L
2002	Charlie Whitehurst	at Duke	34-52-420-0-4	34-31 W
2005	Will Proctor	vs. Duke	13-21-201-0-2	49-20 W
2007	Cullen Harper	vs. No. 19 Florida State*	14-24-160-0-2	24-18 W
2008	Willy Korn	vs. Georgia Tech	15-25-170-2-2	17-21 L
2009	Kyle Parker	at Middle Tenn. State*	9-20-159-0-2	37-14 W
2011	Tajh Boyd	vs. Troy*	20-30-264-1-3	43-19 W
2014	Cole Stoudt	at No. 12 Georgia*	16-29-144-1-0	21-45 L
2014	Deshaun Watson	vs. North Carolina	27-36-435-1-6	50-35 W
2017	Kelly Bryant	vs. Kent State*	16-22-236-1-1	56-3 W
2018	Trevor Lawrence	vs. Syracuse	10-15-93-0-0	27-23 W
2020	DJ Uiagalelei	vs. Boston College	30-41-342-0-2	34-28 W

\* Denotes season opener

A week later, Uiagalelei completed 29-of-44 passes for a career-high 439 yards with two passing touchdowns in a double-overtime contest against No. 4 Notre Dame. His 439 passing yards were the third-most in a game in school history and broke Watson's school freshman record of 435. The 439 passing yards were the most ever thrown against Notre Dame by an opposing quarterback, breaking the mark of 425 held by USC's Carson Palmer in 2002.

### CLEMSON IN GAMES STARTED BY TRUE FRESHMAN QUARTERBACKS (20-14)

Year	Opponent (Rank*)	Quarterback	Cmp-Att-Yds-I-TD	W/L
1975	Alabama (14/18)	S. Fuller	0-1-0-0-0	L
1975	Georgia Tech	W. Jordan	13-21-251-0-2	L
1975	Georgia	W. Jordan	3-12-83-0-1	L
1975	Wake Forest	W. Jordan	6-9-123-0-1	W
1975	Duke	W. Jordan	11-14-202-0-1	L
1975	NC State	W. Jordan	3-8-37-1-0	L
1975	Florida State	W. Jordan	0-3-0-0-0	L
1992	Wake Forest	P. Sapp	14-27-143-1-0	L
1992	North Carolina (18/18)	P. Sapp	13-23-205-1-2	W
1992	Maryland	P. Sapp	25-55-273-1-0	L
1992	South Carolina	P. Sapp	4-22-26-0-0	L
1994	Duke (25/23)	N. Greene	16-30-172-0-0	L
1994	Florida State (7/10)	N. Greene	2-9-13-0-0	L
1994	North Carolina (19/12)	N. Greene	9-12-104-0-0	W
1994	Georgia Tech	N. Greene	7-13-81-0-0	W
1994	South Carolina	N. Greene	4-11-52-1-0	L
2014	North Carolina	D. Watson	27-36-435-1-6	W
2014	NC State	D. Watson	17-29-267-0-2	W
2014	Louisville	D. Watson	2-6-(-5)-1-0	W
2014	Georgia Tech (24/23)	D. Watson	4-6-21-0-0	L
2014	South Carolina	D. Watson	14-19-269-0-2	W
2018	Syracuse	T. Lawrence	10-15-93-0-0	W
2018	Wake Forest	T. Lawrence	20-25-175-0-2	W
2018	NC State (16/15)	T. Lawrence	26-39-308-0-1	W
2018	Florida State	T. Lawrence	20-37-314-0-4	W
2018	Louisville	T. Lawrence	8-12-59-1-2	W
2018	Boston College (17/14)	T. Lawrence	29-40-295-1-1	W
2018	Duke	T. Lawrence	21-38-251-0-2	W
2018	South Carolina	T. Lawrence	27-36-393-0-1	W
2018	Pittsburgh	T. Lawrence	12-24-118-0-2	W
2018	Notre Dame (3/3)	T. Lawrence	27-39-327-0-3	W
2018	Alabama (1/1)	T. Lawrence	20-32-347-0-3	W
2020	Boston College	D. Uiagalelei	30-41-342-0-2	W
2020	Notre Dame (4/4)	D. Uiagalelei	29-44-439-0-2	L

\* - Opponent Rank (AP/Coaches)

In his two starts in 2020, Uiagalelei completed 59-of-85 passes for 390.5 yards per game with four touchdowns and no interceptions. His 162.1 pass efficiency rating in those two starts was nearly 11 points higher than Lawrence's 151.5 mark in his 11 starts as a first-year freshman.

### NOTABLE TRUE FRESHMAN QUARTERBACKS (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Player	Year	GP	C-A-I	Yds	TD	Pct.	Eff.
W. Jordan	1975	11	40-73-1	728	5	54.7	158.4
P. Sapp	1992	6	60-144-3	750	3	41.7	88.1
N. Greene	1994	6	51-94-1	524	1	54.3	102.4
D. Watson	2014	8	93-137-2	1466	14	67.9	188.6

T. Lawrence	2018	15	259-397-4	3280	30	65.2	157.6
D. Uigalelei	2020	10	78-117-0	914	5	66.7	146.4

STARTS ONLY							
Player	Year	GS	C-A-I	Yds/Gm	TD	Eff.	Record
W. Jordan	1975	6	36-67-1	116.0	5	162.6	1-5
P. Sapp	1992	4	56-127-3	161.8	2	87.4	1-3
N. Greene	1994	5	38-75-1	84.4	0	95.3	2-3
D. Watson	2014	5	64-96-2	197.4	10	183.2	4-1
T. Lawrence	2018	11	220-337-2	243.6	21	151.5	11-0
D. Uigalelei	2020	2	59-85-0	390.5	4	162.1	1-1

## INTERCEPTION AVOIDANCE

Uigalelei's explosiveness in the vertical passing game and his deft decision-making in the running game made highlight reels from 2020, but his ability to protect the ball was elite in his debut season as well.

Uigalelei became only the second FBS player since 2000 to throw at least 115 passes and record at least five passing touchdowns and no interceptions, joining Georgia Southern's Shai Werts from 2018.

Uigalelei's first career interception came on his 12th pass of the 2021 season opener, the 129th pass attempt of his career. His interception-free streak of 128 passes concluded only 37 attempts shy of the Clemson record for most pass attempts without an interception to start a career, held by Cullen Harper (first 165 passes of his career that spanned 2005-07).

He remains Clemson's career leader in interception percentage among qualified passers.

## SATURDAYS ARE FOR THE TIGERS

Clemson has won 75 of its last 78 Saturday games. Clemson went 12-2 during the 2017 campaign, with its only losses coming on a Friday at Syracuse and a Monday on New Year's Day in the Sugar Bowl, followed by a 15-0 campaign in 2018 and a 14-1 season in 2019 in which its only loss was on a Monday in the College Football Playoff National Championship Game. Clemson then went 10-1 on Saturdays in a 10-2 season in 2020.

Before a loss to Notre Dame on Saturday, Nov. 7, 2020, you had to travel back to Nov. 12, 2016, a total of 1,456 days prior to that Notre Dame game for Clemson's most recent loss on a Saturday. Clemson's 50-game Saturday winning streak was the longest winning streak in Saturday games in FBS history, surpassing the 45 straight Saturday tilts Oklahoma won in the midst of its FBS-record 47-game winning streak in the 1950s.

The Tigers' record streak started following a 2016 loss to Pitt that was preceded by a 21-game Saturday winning streak across the 2014-16 seasons, previously the longest such streak in program history.

### CONSECUTIVE SATURDAY WINS (FBS HISTORY)

Rk	School	Years	Streak
1.	Clemson	2016-20	50
2.	Oklahoma	1953-57	45
3.	Alabama	2015-17	35
	Miami (Fla.)	1985-88	35
5.	Miami (Fla.)	2000-03	34
6.	Boise State	2007-11	33

Note: Via ESPN Stats & Info

### CONSECUTIVE SATURDAY WINS (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Years	Streak
1.	2016-20	50
2.	2014-16	21
3.	1947-49	13
4.	1980-81	12
5.	1950-51	11

## INTERCEPTION AVOIDANCE (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Years	Int.-Att.	Pct.
1.	DJ Uigalelei	2020-21	2-178	1.12
2.	Trevor Lawrence	2018-20	17-1138	1.49
3.	Kelly Bryant	2015-18	10-470	2.13
4.	Cullen Harper	2005-08	20-815	2.45
5.	Chris Morocco	1986-89	4-157	2.55

Note: Minimum 100 passing attempts.

## 300-YARD GAMES

Despite starting only two career games prior to 2021, Uigalelei is already one of only 13 quarterbacks in Clemson history to record at least one 300-yard passing game and is one of only seven to record multiple 300-yard passing games. He is already two 300-yard games shy of tying his position coach, Brandon Streeter, for fifth in school history.

## CAREER 300-YARD PASSING GAMES (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Season(s)	Games
1.	Tajh Boyd	2010-13	18
2.	Trevor Lawrence	2018-20	13
	Deshaun Watson	2014-16	13
4.	Charlie Whitehurst	2002-05	8
5.	Brandon Streeter	1996-99	4
6.	DJ Uigalelei	2020-21	2
	Cole Stoudt	2011-14	2
8.	Six players tied		1

## GOOD COMPANY

Uigalelei's 146.4 pass efficiency rating in 2020 ranked fifth among ACC freshman quarterbacks with at least 100 pass attempts since 2002. Three of the four ahead of him include a Heisman Trophy winner (Jameis Winston) and two Heisman Trophy runner-ups (Deshaun Watson and Trevor Lawrence).

## HIGHEST PASS EFFICIENCY RATING BY ACC FRESHMAN QUARTERBACKS (SINCE 2002)

Rk	Player (Year)	C-A	Pct.	Yds.	TD	INT	Rtg.
1.	Deshaun Watson (2014)	93-137	67.9	1466	14	2	188.6
2.	Jameis Winston (2013)	257-384	66.9	4057	40	10	184.8
3.	Sam Howell (2019)	259-422	61.4	3641	38	7	160.2
4.	Trevor Lawrence (2018)	259-397	65.2	3280	30	4	157.6
5.	DJ Uigalelei (2020)	78-117	66.7	914	5	0	146.4

Note: Minimum 100 pass attempts

## COMEBACK CINCO

Last year, Clemson trailed Boston College at home, 28-10, with 1:02 remaining in the first half. With no timeouts, Uigalelei led a 10-play, 42-yard drive in 55 seconds to get a B.T. Potter 50-yard field goal before half. The drive jumpstarted Clemson's comeback 34-28 victory, as the Tigers scored 24 unanswered for the win. Of note:

- Clemson trailed by 18 points in the first half, making the win Clemson's largest home comeback victory in school history.
- The win tied for the second-largest comeback win in school history at any location, matching an 18-point comeback at Maryland in 2011, which had also stood as Clemson's largest comeback win under Dabo Swinney.

## BIGGEST CLEMSON COMEBACK VICTORIES

Date	Opponent	Score	Deficit	Final
10-10-1992	Virginia	0-28	28	29-28
10-15-2011	Maryland	17-35	18	56-45
10-31-2020	Boston College	10-28	18	34-28
9-24-1966	Virginia	18-35	17	40-35
10-21-2000	North Carolina	0-17	17	38-24
12-28-2019	Ohio State	0-16	16	29-23
9-26-1953	Boston College	0-14	14	14-14
11-17-1962	Maryland	0-14	14	17-14
10-11-1980	Virginia	10-24	14	27-24
11-2-2002	Duke	10-24	14	34-31
11-6-2004	Miami (Fla.)	3-17	14	24-17

10-7-2006	Wake Forest	3-17	14	27-17
9-17-2011	Auburn	7-21	14	38-24
11-12-2011	Wake Forest	14-28	14	31-28
1-9-2017	Alabama	0-14	14	35-31

Home games in bold. Comeback engineered by Uigalelei *italicized*.

## -- NO. 8 WR JUSTYN ROSS --

## AN IMPACT RETURN?

Clemson's biggest impact among returning players could potentially come from one who didn't play a snap in 2020: wide receiver Justyn Ross.

Ross missed the 2020 season after surgery following the diagnosis of a congenital fusion in his spine. Ross participated in spring ball in a non-contact capacity with an eye toward full participation in fall camp, a plan that was successful in current NFL receiver and former Clemson star Mike Williams' return from a neck injury in 2016 en route to becoming the No. 7 overall pick in the NFL draft.

Ross played his first game action in exactly 600 days in the season opener against Georgia, recording Clemson's first reception of the season to a standing ovation from Clemson faithful in Charlotte and finishing with four catches for 26 yards.

Even though he missed the entire 2020 campaign, Ross is tied for eighth in school history in career touchdown receptions and is on the cusp of becoming the 16th player in school history with 2,000 career receiving yards.

## CAREER RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player, Pos.	Years	TD
1.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	27
	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	27
	Tee Higgins, WR	2017-19	27
4.	Mike Williams, WR	2013-16	21
5.	Aaron Kelly, WR	2005-08	20
	Deon Cain, WR	2015-17	20
7.	Artavis Scott, WR	2014-16	19
8.	Glenn Smith, TE	1949-51	18
	Jordan Leggett, TE	2013-16	18
	Justyn Ross, WR	2018-21	18

## RECEIVING YARDS

Rk	Player, Pos.	Years	Rec.	Yards
1.	Sammy Watkins, WR	2011-13	240	3391
2.	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	2010-12	206	3020
3.	Aaron Kelly, WR	2005-08	232	2733
4.	Mike Williams, WR	2013-16	177	2727
5.	Terry Smith, WR	1990-93	162	2681
6.	Perry Tuttle, WR	1978-81	150	2534
7.	Rod Gardner, WR	1997-00	166	2498
8.	Artavis Scott, WR	2014-16	245	2480
9.	Tee Higgins, WR	2017-19	135	2448
10.	Derrick Hamilton, WR	2001-03	167	2312
11.	Jerry Butler, WR	1975-78	139	2223
12.	Amari Rodgers, WR	2017-20	181	2144
13.	Hunter Renfrow, WR	2015-18	186	2133
14.	Deon Cain, WR	2015-17	130	2040
15.	Airese Currie, WR	2001-04	138	2030
16.	Jacoby Ford, WR	2006-09	143	1986
17.	Justyn Ross, WR	2018-21	119	1943

Ross had two of the most productive first two seasons by a Clemson player in school history, recording 1,865 receiving yards and 17 touchdowns from 2018-19. His 17 touchdowns through two seasons were the most through two years in school history, and his 1,865 yards in those years trailed only Sammy Watkins (1,927) and Artavis Scott (1,866) during the first two years of a Clemson career.

Included below is how Ross' first two seasons stack up against the first two seasons of the players that populate Clemson's Top 10 list in career touchdown receptions.



## FIRST TWO SEASONS: CLEMSON'S TOP 10 LEADERS IN CAREER TOUCHDOWN CATCHES

Player	Years	Rec	Yds.	Avg.	TD
DeAndre Hopkins	2010-11	124	1615	13.0	9
Sammy Watkins	2011-12	139	1927	13.9	15
Tee Higgins	2017-18	76	1281	16.9	14
Mike Williams	2013-14	77	1346	17.5	9
Aaron Kelly	2005-08	77	930	12.1	5
Deon Cain	2015-16	72	1306	18.1	14
Artavis Scott	2014-15	169	1866	11.0	14
Glenn Smith	1949-51	47	942	20.0	11
Jordan Leggett	2013-14	26	337	13.0	3
Perry Tuttle	1978-81	45	736	16.4	5
<b>Justyn Ross</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>1865</b>	<b>16.7</b>	<b>17</b>

Note: Years listed denote first two seasons at Clemson

Ross has caught a pass in 30 of his 31 career games at Clemson, including each of the last 29 games in which he has played. The only career game in which he was held without a reception was the second game of his career at Texas A&M in 2018, when he played only one offensive snap.

## CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION (ACTIVE FBS STREAKS)

Rk	Player	School(s)	Games
1.	Justin Hall	Ball State	45
2.	CT Thomas	Boise State	39
3.	JD Spielman	Nebraska/TCU	38
4.	Jake Ferguson	Wisconsin	36
5.	Emeka Emezie	NC State	34
	Cornelius McCoy	Georgia State	34
7.	Jahan Dotson	Penn State	31
<b>T8.</b>	<b>Justyn Ross</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>29</b>
	Max Borghi	Washington State	29
10.	Multiple players tied		27

Note: Per survey of FBS SIDs

## CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH A RECEPTION (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Seasons	Games
1.	Hunter Renfrow	2015-18	43
2.	Artavis Scott	2014-16	38
3.	Jerry Butler	1975-78	36

Note: Justyn Ross stands at 29 from 2018-21

## -- NO. 23 RB LYN-J DIXON --

## OPPORTUNITY AWAITS

Lyn-J Dixon, a senior running back from Butler, Ga. enters his fourth season at Clemson with the largest window of opportunity of his career after the departure of ACC all-time leading rusher Travis Etienne. Despite recording fewer than 70 carries per year through his first three seasons, Dixon has averaged 6.62 yards per carry, second-most among qualified players in school history.

## CAREER YARDS PER CARRY (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Years	Car.	Yards	Y/C
1.	Travis Etienne	2017-20	686	4952	7.22
<b>2.</b>	<b>Lyn-J Dixon</b>	<b>2018-21</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1409</b>	<b>6.62</b>
3.	Tavien Feaster	2016-18	222	1330	5.99
4.	Jackie Calvert	1948-50	194	1149	5.92
5.	C.J. Spiller	2006-09	606	3547	5.85

Note: Minimum 1,000 yards

The only thing standing in Dixon's way from major productivity from 2018-20 was the All-American in front of him for three years wearing No. 9. With Etienne's departure, opportunity awaits for Dixon or another from Clemson's bevy of talented backs to seize the moment.

Dixon teased his explosiveness in his true freshman campaign in 2018, averaging 8.82 yards per carry. Among his five rushing touchdowns that year were scoring scampers of 65, 52 and 55 yards, and his three career rushing touchdowns of 50 yards or more are already tied for fourth-most by a Clemson player since 1950, trailing

only Travis Etienne (10), C.J. Spiller (six) and Andre Ellington (six).

His 8.82-yard average in 2018 remains a Clemson single-season record among qualified players.

## SINGLE-SEASON YARDS PER CARRY (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Season	Car.	Yards	Y/C
<b>1.</b>	<b>Lyn-J Dixon</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>8.82</b>
2.	Travis Etienne	2018	204	1658	8.13
3.	Travis Etienne	2019	207	1614	7.80
4.	Billy Hair	1950	71	525	7.39
5.	C.J. Spiller	2006	129	938	7.27

Note: Minimum 400 yards

Dixon's career yards-per-carry average is the 12th-best of any FBS player with at least 200 carries since 2018.

## YARDS PER CARRY (FBS SINCE 2018)

Rk	Player	School(s)	Car.	Yards	Y/C
1.	Darrell Henderson	Memphis	214	1909	8.9
2.	Kennedy Brooks	Oklahoma	294	2202	7.5
3.	Travis Etienne	Clemson	579	4186	7.2
4.	Wesley Kennedy III	Ga. Southern	248	1766	7.1
5.	Christopher Rodriguez	Kentucky	238	1692	7.1
6.	Cameron Peoples	App State	219	1506	6.9
7.	Tyler Allgeier	BYU	220	1494	6.8
8.	Michael Carter	UNC	417	2845	6.8
9.	D'Vonte Price	FIU	230	1555	6.8
10.	Anthony McFarland	Maryland	245	1648	6.7
11.	Jonathan Taylor	Wisconsin	627	4197	6.7
<b>12.</b>	<b>Lyn-J Dixon</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>1409</b>	<b>6.6</b>
13.	Kenny Gainwell	Memphis	235	1550	6.6
14.	Khalil Herbert	Kansas/VT	311	2066	6.6
15.	Malcolm Perry	Navy	467	3104	6.6

Note: Min. 200 carries

## -- OFFENSIVE LINE --

## ALL-CONFERENCE O-LINEMEN

From 2015-20, the Tigers produced a total of 24 All-ACC selections along the offensive line, including 10 first-team honors. Clemson's 24 all-conference selections by offensive linemen are the most of any Power Five program, and its 10 first-team selections are tied with Alabama for the third-most in that span.

## MOST ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS BY OFFENSIVE LINEMEN (2015-20)

Rk	School	Conference	No.
<b>1.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>ACC</b>	<b>24</b>
2.	Ohio State	Big Ten	23
3.	Oklahoma	Big 12	16
4.	Alabama	SEC	15
	Michigan	Big Ten	15
6.	Wisconsin	Big Ten	14
7.	Iowa	Big Ten	13
8.	Pitt	ACC	12
9.	Boston College	ACC	10
	Washington	Pac-12	10
	USC	Pac-12	10

Note: Power Five conference schools

## MOST FIRST-TEAM ALL-CONFERENCE SELECTIONS BY OFFENSIVE LINEMEN (2015-20)

Rk	School	Conference	No.
1.	Ohio State	Big Ten	12
2.	Oklahoma	Big 12	11
<b>3.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>ACC</b>	<b>10</b>
	Alabama	SEC	10
5.	Washington	Pac-12	9
6.	Wisconsin	Big Ten	8
7.	Georgia	SEC	6
8.	LSU	SEC	5
	USC	Pac-12	5
	Utah	Pac-12	5
	Stanford	Pac-12	5

Note: Power Five conference schools

The group is led by Offensive Line Coach Robbie Caldwell, one of the nation's most experienced active coaches. He has coached all 521 of his career games at the college level, second-most college games of any active FBS coach and the most of any active Power Five conference coach.

## MOST CAREER GAMES COACHED AT NCAA LEVEL OR ABOVE (ACTIVE FBS COACHES)

Rk	Coach	School	Pos.	Years	Games
1.	Ron Zook	Maryland	STC/OLB	41	538 <sup>1</sup>
2.	Rocky Long	New Mexico	DC/LB	44	530 <sup>2</sup>
3.	Jim Reid	UMass	DT	46	528 <sup>3</sup>
4.	Chuck Heater	Colorado State	DC	45	526
<b>5.</b>	<b>Robbie Caldwell</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>OL</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>521</b>
6.	Duane Akina	Stanford	DB	41	516 <sup>4</sup>
7.	Bill Sheridan	Air Force	DL	35	505 <sup>5</sup>
8.	Kevin Higgins	Wake Forest	AHC/WR	41	474 <sup>6</sup>
9.	Jim Leavitt	SMU	DC	37	435 <sup>7</sup>

Note: Seasons of full-time NCAA or professional on-field coaching (roles as GA, analyst, etc. excluded).

<sup>1</sup> Includes 197 professional games (189 NFL, 8 AAF); <sup>2</sup> Includes 39 CFL games; <sup>3</sup> Includes 33 NFL games; <sup>4</sup> Includes 18 CFL games; <sup>5</sup> Includes 137 NFL games; <sup>6</sup> Includes 64 NFL games; <sup>7</sup> Includes 63 NFL games

## TRENCH WARFARE

Clemson's success in its 40-4 run since 2018 has been powered in part at the line of scrimmage, where Clemson holds a 149-62 edge over opponents in sacks in that time frame. Clemson's +87 margin in sacks since 2018 is the top differential in the country.

## SACK DIFFERENTIAL (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	Sacks For	Sacks Against	Differential
<b>1.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>+87</b>
2.	Buffalo	103	24	+79
3.	Alabama	119	47	+72
4.	Florida	128	63	+65
5.	UAB	113	52	+61
6.	Marshall	114	57	+57
7.	Pittsburgh	139	88	+51
8.	Air Force	61	13	+48
9.	Western Michigan	91	45	+46
10.	Army	71	27	+44
	Oklahoma	110	66	+44

## -- DEFENSE --

## THE CFP ERA'S DOMINANT DEFENSE

Since the advent of the College Football Playoff in 2014, Clemson has routinely produced one of the nation's elite defenses.

Clemson has ranked in the Top 15 in the country in total defense in each of the last seven seasons and has ranked among the Top 25 in scoring defense in all of those campaigns (including four Top 5 finishes in the category).

## CLEMSON DEFENSE SINCE 2014

Year	Yds/G	Rank	Pts/G	Rank
2014	260.8	1	16.7	3
2015	313.0	10	21.7	24
2016	311.5	8	18.0	10
2017	276.7	4	13.6	2
2018	285.9	5	13.1	1
2019	288.3	6	13.5	3
2020	326.8	15	20.2	18

Clemson is the only program in the country to produce a Top 15 defense in each of the seven previous years.

## TOP 15 FINISHES IN TOTAL DEFENSE (SINCE 2014)

Rk	School	No.
<b>1.</b>	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>7</b>
2.	Michigan	6
	Wisconsin	6

4. San Diego State	5
Georgia	5

Clemson's six Top 10 finishes in total defense in that span are tied for the most in the country.

## TOP 10 FINISHES IN TOTAL DEFENSE (SINCE 2014)

Rk	School	No.
1.	Clemson	6
2.	Wisconsin	6
3.	Michigan	5
4.	Army	4
	Ohio State	4

The defense is led by Defensive Coordinator Brent Venables, whose track record as an assistant is nearly immaculate. Teams with Venables on staff posted winning seasons in all 25 of his seasons prior to 2021, including 21 seasons with 10 wins or more. The oldest members of the 2021 Clemson defense — super seniors Nolan Turner and Regan Upshaw — were born in November of 1997. Not only does Venables not have a losing season in their lifetime, teams with him on staff won at least 10 games in 21 of those 24 seasons.

## 300 OR FEWER YARDS

Clemson has held opponents under 300 yards of offense 30 times since the start of the 2018 season, the most in the country.

## MOST GAMES HOLDING OPPONENTS UNDER 300 YARDS (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	Games
1.	Clemson	30
2.	Georgia	24
3.	UAB	22
4.	Alabama	21
	San Diego State	21

That time frame includes the 2019 season, in which Clemson kept each of its first 12 opponents to fewer than 300 yards, marking the first time in ESPN Stats & Info searchable data going back to 1996 that a team had held the first 12 opponents of a season under that mark.

## MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES HOLDING TEAMS UNDER 300 YARDS TO OPEN A SEASON

Rk	School	Season	Games
1.	Clemson	2019	12
2.	Ohio State	2019	11
3.	Alabama	2011	10
4.	LSU	2006	9
5.	Alabama	2012	8

Note: FBS teams since 2000

## <23 = W

Before losing to No. 5 Georgia in the 2021 season opener, Clemson had won 89 consecutive games when holding opponents under 23 points, a streak that dated to the 2010 season. Since 2014, Clemson has held opponents to 22 or fewer points in 73 games, the most in the nation. Clemson is 72-1 in those contests.

## GAMES HOLDING OPPONENTS UNDER 23 POINTS (SINCE 2014)

Rk	School	Games	Record*
1.	Clemson	73	72-1
2.	Alabama	72	72-0
3.	Wisconsin	64	56-8
4.	Georgia	63	61-2
5.	Iowa	60	50-10

\* Record in games holding opponents under 23 points

## STOPPING THE RUN

Clemson has held opponents to 2.0 or fewer yards per carry in 25 games in the College Football Playoff era

(since 2014), the second-most in the country. Clemson is 24-1 in those contests.

## GAMES HOLDING OPPONENT TO 2.0 OR FEWER YARDS PER CARRY (SINCE 2014)

Rk	School	Games
1.	Alabama	30
2.	Clemson	25
3.	San Diego State	23
4.	Michigan	21
5.	Pitt	20
	Utah	20

## POINTS ALLOWED PER POSSESSION

Since Brent Venables joined Clemson as defensive coordinator prior to the 2012 season, Clemson has allowed only 1.15 points per possession against FBS opponents, the second-fewest in the country in that span. No program has given up fewer points per possession against FBS opponents since 2018, as Clemson's 0.96 points allowed per possession since the start of the 2018 season makes Clemson the only program in the country to allow fewer than a full point per drive to FBS opponents.

## POINTS ALLOWED PER POSSESSION (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	Pts. Per Possession
1.	Clemson	0.96
2.	Iowa	1.10
3.	Cincinnati	1.20
4.	San Diego State	1.21
5.	Georgia	1.26

Note: Against FBS competition

## BACKFIELD INVADERS

Clemson's defense calls Death Valley home but might as well file for dual residency in opponents' backfields. Since Brent Venables' arrival in 2012, Clemson leads the nation in both sacks and tackles for loss, and has led the country in tackles for loss in more than half of Venables' nine full seasons at Clemson.

## MOST SACKS SINCE 2012

Rk	School	No.
1.	Clemson	409
2.	Alabama	353
3.	Ohio State	346
4.	Penn State	336
5.	Stanford	326

## MOST TACKLES FOR LOSS SINCE 2012

Rk	School	No.
1.	Clemson	1084
2.	Virginia Tech	860
3.	Alabama	859
4.	Oklahoma State	837
5.	Ohio State	823

## SEASONS LEADING FBS IN TACKLES FOR LOSS SINCE 2012

Rk	School	No.	Year(s)
1.	Clemson	5	2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018*
2.	Ohio State	2	2017*, 2019
3.	Miami (Fla.)	1	2018*
	Michigan	1	2017*
	Northern Illinois	1	2017*
	Pitt	1	2020
	Stanford	1	2012

\* - indicates shared lead

Clemson's 46 sacks tied for the national lead in 2020. In doing so, Clemson past the 40-sack mark for a seventh straight season — every year of the CFP era. Clemson's seven 40-sack seasons in that time are the most in the country.

## 40-SACK SEASONS (CFP ERA)

Rk	School	No.	Year(s)
1.	Clemson	7	2014, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20

2.	Penn State	5	2015, 16, 17, 18, 19
3.	Ohio State	4	2014, 17, 18, 19
4.	Alabama	3	2015, 16, 18
	Pitt	3	2016, 19, 20

Clemson's success sacking quarterbacks has not been limited to a handful of high-production players but is instead indicative of team-wide success. In the College Football Playoff era (since 2014), 76 different Clemson players have recorded at least half a sack, including a nation-high 21 different players in 2020.

## MOST PLAYERS WITH AT LEAST HALF A SACK (FBS, 2020)

Rk	School	Players
1.	Clemson	21
2.	Florida	18
3.	Oklahoma	17
4.	Notre Dame	16
5.	Virginia	15
	Ohio State	15

Thanks to that breadth of contributions, Clemson was still able to tie for the national lead in sacks in 2020 despite no single player exceeding 4.5 sacks.

## MOST SACKS (FBS, 2020)

Rk	School	No.
1.	Clemson	46
2.	Pitt	46
3.	Oklahoma	37
	Tulane	37
5.	North Carolina	36
	Virginia Tech	36

## MULTI-SACK GAMES

Clemson has posted 39 multiple-sack games since 2018, the most in the FBS. Clemson has recorded at least two sacks in 34 of its last 37 games.

## GAMES WITH MULTIPLE SACKS (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	No.
1.	Clemson	39
2.	Pitt	33
3.	Ohio State	32
4.	Memphis	31
5.	Alabama	30
	Florida	30

Before being held to one sack in the 2021 season opener, Clemson posted an 18-game streak with multiple sacks that tied for Clemson's longest such streak of the last 40 years.

## CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITH MULTIPLE SACKS (CLEMSON SINCE 1980)

Rk	Year(s)	No.
1.	2019-20	18
	1991-92	18
3.	1998-99	17
4.	2018-19	16
5.	2012-13	15

## GETTING OFF THE FIELD

Clemson's defense under Brent Venables finished in the Top 12 in the nation in third down defense in eight of his nine full seasons at Clemson, including each of the last eight. Clemson's lowest third down defense came in Venables' first season in the Upstate, when the Tigers still finished No. 24 (33.99 percent) in 2012.

## THIRD DOWN DEFENSE (SINCE 2012)

Rk	School	Pct.
1.	Clemson	29.8
2.	Wisconsin	30.4
3.	Virginia Tech	32.1
4.	TCU	32.9

## THIRD DOWN DEFENSE RANKING (CLEMSON SINCE 2012)

Season	Pct.	Nat'l Rank
2012	33.99	24
2013	30.81	5
2014	27.41	1
2015	27.73	4
2016	27.93	T-4
2017	29.28	6
2018	28.45	6
2019	31.30	12
2020	31.21	10

SportSource Analytics tracks three-and-out percentages as well as "Hard Stops," possessions in which a defense forces a turnover, creates a three-and-out or makes a fourth down stop. Clemson leads the nation in both since Venables' arrival in 2012.

## DEFENSIVE THREE-AND-OUT PERCENTAGE (SINCE 2012)

Rk	School	Pct.
1.	Clemson	30.7
2.	Wisconsin	28.8
3.	Alabama	28.4
4.	Michigan	28.0
5.	Michigan State	27.5

Source: SportSource Analytics; vs. FBS opponents

## DEFENSIVE HARD STOP PERCENTAGE (SINCE 2012)

Rk	School	Pct.
1.	Clemson	49.2
2.	Alabama	48.0
3.	Wisconsin	46.3
4.	Appalachian State	46.2
5.	Michigan State	45.8

Source: SportSource Analytics; vs. FBS opponents

## SOPHOMORE SACK PRODUCERS

Clemson entered 2020 missing two presumptive preseason starters at defensive end in Justin Foster and Xavier Thomas, perhaps leaving the uninitiated to wonder from where Clemson's pass rush might come.

America then met Myles Murphy, Bryan Bresee and Trenton Simpson, all three of whom were true freshmen in 2020.

Bresee joined Clemson as the consensus No. 1 player in America for the class of 2020. Murphy joined the Tigers as ESPN.com's third-ranked player in the class, while Simpson was 247Sports' No. 13-ranked player in the group.

It had been five years since a Clemson true freshman had recorded a sack in a season opener, when Dexter Lawrence and Tre Lamar each did so in the 2016 season opener at Auburn. Both Murphy and Bresee got on the stat sheet in the opener against Wake, with Murphy compiling two sacks among a team-high seven tackles and Bresee adding half a sack and the Tigers' first blocked field goal since Week 2 of 2018.

Bresee earned Freshman All-American in 2020, joining Lawrence as the second ACC Defensive Rookie of the Year in Clemson history. Murphy collected de-facto consensus Freshman All-America status from The Athletic, ESPN, Rivals and the Football Writers Association of America and was named ACC Co-Newcomer of the Year by the Associated Press. The duo was joined by a midseason surge by Simpson, the former high school running back whose presence as an edge rusher and growth at Clemson's nickel/sam linebacker position was part of former starter Mike Jones Jr.'s decision to transfer to LSU.

All three members of the trio recorded 4.0 sacks in 2020, tying William "Refrigerator" Perry and others for

third in Clemson history in sacks by a true freshman.

## MOST SACKS BY A TRUE FRESHMAN (SINGLE-SEASON, CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Player	Season	Sacks
1.	Dexter Lawrence	2016	7.0
2.	Tyler Davis	2019	6.5
3.	Bryan Bresee	2020	4.0
	Myles Murphy	2020	4.0
	Trenton Simpson	2020	4.0
	Shaq Lawson	2013	4.0
	Ricky Sapp	2006	4.0
	William Perry	1981	4.0

Among Murphy's impact plays in 2020 were three forced fumbles. Murphy became the first Clemson true freshman in the Dabo Swinney era to record three forced fumbles in a season as well as the first Clemson freshman (true or redshirt) with three forced fumbles in a season since redshirt freshman Ed McDaniel in 1988. He tied for the national lead in forced fumbles by a freshman, and his three were the most by a freshman defensive lineman.

Meanwhile, Bresee led all FBS true freshman interior linemen in sacks, Clemson's second straight season producing the leader in that category (Tyler Davis in 2019).

## THE BRUISE BROTHERS

Behind Clemson's headline defensive line is a pair of hard-hitting veteran linebackers that led Head Coach Dabo Swinney to coin the duo as "The Bruise Brothers."

Middle linebacker James Skalski, the only player ever to play in (and win) five ACC Championship Games, returned for his sixth season at Clemson in 2021 following an all-conference performance in 2020. He took a mid-career redshirt in 2018, playing four games including the ACC Championship Game, Cotton Bowl and National Championship Game in what he and others called "the sweetest gig on the team" before becoming a full-time starter in 2019. The physical presence of No. 47 led Swinney to call him "a war daddy" and call his participation in practices and scrimmages "just unfair."

Skalski's running mate at the second level of the defense continues to be fifth-year linebacker Baylon Spector, whose strong performances in 2020 included an ACC Linebacker of the Week selection for his play against Virginia.

"[Spector] and Skalski, it's a reflection of how they practice. I'm telling you, every single rep at practice is a game rep to those two guys. They put a ton of work in every week to get themselves ready to play," Swinney said. "I know how hard they've worked. It's the unseen grind. That's a ton of work that they've put in."

"I call them The Bruise Brothers. Those two right there, it's something to watch and it's fun to see."

The duo's success is not merely a function of their physicality and hard work. Defensive Coordinator Brent Venables praised the cerebral nature of their play as well.

"They've developed some really good chemistry together. They're always having side chat conversations when I'm trying to talk with the whole defense and I'm having to correct at practice, and I look over and they're coaching each other. Sometimes that bothers me, I'll be honest, [smiling] but I absolutely love it because it's always about the details of what we're talking about," Venables said. "They're like two coaches, really, out on the field."

## -- SPECIAL TEAMS --

## SPOTLIGHT ON THE SPECIALISTS

- **B.T. Potter, PK:** Clemson's cannon-legged 2020 Lou Groza Award semifinalist has been remarkably consistent on both his shortest kicks and his longest kicks throughout his career. He is 154-for-155 on PATs, and his 122 consecutive PATs prior to his first miss shattered Clemson's school record (88 by Mark Buchholz from 2007-08). Potter, who has been one of the nation's foremost touchback specialists throughout his career, is also 5-for-7 on field goal attempts of 50 yards or more during his Clemson tenure, tying Clemson's record for career field goals of 50 yards or more. His lone misses in that range came on attempts of 61 and 58 yards.

## B.T. POTTER // CLEMSON HISTORY

SCORING						
Rk	Player, Pos.	Years	TD	PAT	FG	TP
1.	Travis Etienne	2017-20	78	---	---	468
2.	Chandler Catanzaro	2010-13	0	203-207	67-82	404
3.	Greg Huegel	2015-18	0	217-227	54-71	379
4.	Aaron Hunt	2000-03	0	164-172	55-76	329
5.	C.J. Spiller	2006-09	51	*2	---	308
6.	Nelson Welch	1991-94	0	85-92	72-102	301
7.	Travis Zachery	1998-01	50	---	---	300
8.	James Davis	2005-08	49	---	---	294
9.	Obed Ariri	1977-80	0	99-103	63-97	288
10.	Chris Gardocki	1988-90	0	72-72	63-89	261
11.	<b>B.T. Potter</b>	<b>2018-21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>154-155</b>	<b>33-46</b>	<b>253</b>
12.	Jad Dean	2003-06	0	97-103	51-68	250

\* - total two-point conversion points

KICK SCORING		
Rk	Player	Points
1.	Chandler Catanzaro	404
2.	Greg Huegel	379
3.	Aaron Hunt	329
4.	Nelson Welch	301
5.	Obed Ariri	288
6.	Chris Gardocki	261
7.	<b>B.T. Potter</b>	<b>253</b>
8.	Jad Dean	250
9.	David Treadwell	233
10.	Bob Paulling	209

FIELD GOALS MADE		
Rk	Player	FG
1.	Nelson Welch	72
2.	Chandler Catanzaro	67
3.	Obed Ariri	63
	Chris Gardocki	63
5.	Aaron Hunt	55
6.	Greg Huegel	54
7.	Jad Dean	51
8.	David Treadwell	47
9.	Mark Buchholz	37
10.	Bob Paulling	34

Note: Potter has made 33 field goals from 2018-21

FIELD GOALS OF 50+ YARDS		
Rk	Player	50+
1.	<b>B.T. Potter</b>	<b>5</b>
	Chris Gardocki	5
	Donald Igwebuike	5
4.	Richard Jackson	3
5.	Four tied	2

EXTRA POINTS MADE		
Rk	Player	PAT
1.	Greg Huegel	217
2.	Chandler Catanzaro	203
3.	Aaron Hunt	164
4.	<b>B.T. Potter</b>	<b>154</b>
5.	Bob Paulling	107

Note: Potter made a school-record 122 consecutive PATs across the 2018-20 seasons.



- **Will Spiers, P:** Already a four-year starter at punter entering his "Super Senior" campaign in 2021, Spiers already holds school records for starts by a punter, career punts, punts downed inside the 20 and total punting yards. His 2020 season was his best to date, as his 44.0-yards-per-punt average in 2020 represented the second-best single-season mark in school history. He averaged at least 50.0 yards per punt in three-straight games against Miami, Georgia Tech and Syracuse in 2020, a career-long streak and a Clemson record with a minimum of three punts per game.

- **Will Swinney, H:** Spiers is not the only four-year starter "Super Senior" among Clemson's special teams corps. The 2021 season will be Swinney's fifth as Clemson's primary holder, as he has held for more placekicks than any player in Clemson history. Since 2017, Clemson has scored 473 points on placekicks, including field goals and PATs. Swinney, a 2020 William V. Campbell Trophy semifinalist, has held for 466 of those 473 points, and including his receiving touchdown vs. Louisville in 2018, he's touched the ball for 472 total points for Clemson in his career. Clemson's only seven kicking points not held by Will Swinney in his career were instead held by his brother, Drew. Clemson's last hold by any player outside the Swinney family was on the final point of Clemson's 2016 national championship following Hunter Renfrow's game-winning touchdown with one second remaining.

- **Jack Maddox, LS:** Maddox is in his second year as Clemson's starting long snapper after earning the job in the spring of 2020. A native of Acton, Mass., his attention first turned to Clemson after visiting his uncle, who is a professor at the university. He walked on at Clemson, and in August 2020, he was en route to Clemson's Applied Science Lab when Head Coach Dabo Swinney approached him and asked him if he'd already paid his fall tuition. Upon Maddox confirming that he had, Swinney told him he'd have a little extra money in his pocket that semester, as Maddox was being placed on scholarship.

- **Quinn Castner, PK:** Castner joined Clemson's program in August 2020. At 140 pounds, the 5-foot-5 walk-on became the 15th player below 150 pounds to appear on Clemson's roster since 1944. He became a viral sensation for his 2020 debut against The Citadel once Dabo Swinney, after exaggerating Castner's vitals as "5-foot-3 and 80 pounds... maybe," told the following anecdote about Castner and Clemson's current culture: "I put him out there and gave him a chance to kick one off, and listen, he ain't kicked one deep in the end zone yet since he's been here... So I put the first [team] kickoff out there and said, 'All right, boys, we've got a little wind, I'm putting my man Quinn out there. Y'all know this is coming out and y'all need some dadgum practice...' Potter booms 'em out of the end zone and I wanted them to get a little work, so I got my man Quinn out there, and what does he do? He kicks that sucker four yards deep in the end zone, and the whole team went crazy. They just *loved* it, and, I mean, that's *special*."

## -- NOTES & NUGGETS --

### PLAYERS PER GAME

Announcers, you're going to need a bigger board. In each of the last four seasons, Clemson led all Power Five conference teams in average players per game. The last time Clemson did not lead Power Five teams in that category was in 2016, when Clemson finished second in that category.

### ANNUAL POWER FIVE CONFERENCE LEADER, AVERAGE PLAYERS PER GAME

Year	Leader	Avg.
2016	Ole Miss	63.6
2017	Clemson	68.4
2018	Clemson	72.5
2019	Clemson	76.0
2020	Clemson	72.0

Note: includes independent Notre Dame, which has College Football Playoff access equivalent with Power Five conferences

Clemson has not only led the nation in that category, but has often lapped the field. In 2019, Clemson played an average of 76.0 players per game, an average that far exceeded all Power Five programs by more than 11 players — *a full unit* — per game. Clemson's lead in that category in 2020 was more than seven players per game.

### AVERAGE PLAYERS PER GAME (POWER FIVE TEAMS, 2020)

Rk	Team	Players Per Game
1.	Clemson	72.0
2.	Michigan	64.7
3.	Iowa State	61.5
4.	North Carolina	61.3
5.	Tennessee	60.9
6.	Florida	60.6
7.	Kansas State	60.5
8.	Ohio State	60.4
9.	Florida State	59.6
10.	Georgia Tech	59.5

The approach to creating functional depth and rewarding players ready to play has been a key philosophy for Head Coach Dabo Swinney, whose own collegiate playing career was hatched as a walk-on fighting for playing time in Alabama's receiving corps.

"We're fully committed to playing guys who deserve to play," Swinney said. "You commit to a guy early in the season, and even if a guy has only played 10 percent of the snaps, when you get to game eight or nine, they've got some good experience."

Clemson played 102 players against South Carolina State in the second game of the 2021 season, its third-most in a game under Dabo Swinney.

### MOST PLAYERS PLAYED IN A SINGLE GAME UNDER HEAD COACH DABO SWINNEY

Rk	Opponent	Date	Players
1.	Charlotte	9/21/19	111
2.	Wofford	11/2/19	105
3.	South Carolina State	9/11/21	102
4.	The Citadel	9/19/20	96
5.	Pitt	11/28/20	94
	Louisville	11/3/18	94
	The Citadel	11/18/17	94
8.	Wake Forest	11/16/19	93
	South Carolina State	9/17/16	93
10.	Georgia Tech	8/29/19	91
	Kent State	9/2/17	91

Even prior to the adoption of new redshirt rules, Clemson routinely played close to 60 players or more per game under Swinney.

### AVERAGE PLAYERS PER GAME (CLEMSON, FULL SEASONS UNDER SWINNEY)

Year	Players Per Game	Record
2009	61.4	9-5
2010	58.1	6-7
2011	63.4	10-4
2012	61.5	11-2
2013	65.4	11-2
2014	59.4	10-3
2015	58.6	14-1
2016	62.5	14-1
2017	68.4	12-2
2018	72.5	15-0

2019	76.0	14-1
2020	72.0	10-2

Note: Four-game allowances for redshirts began in 2018

### YOUTH IS SERVED

In the first year of new redshirt regulations in 2018, Clemson played a then-school-record 20 true freshmen. Clemson immediately shattered that record in its 2019 season opener, with 27 true freshmen making their collegiate debuts in that contest. An additional eight true freshmen made their debuts to push that 2019 total to a school-record 36.

In 2020, Clemson played 27 true freshmen, tied for the most in the country at the end of the regular season. Seventeen first-year freshman have already made their debut for Clemson this season. Coinciding with redshirt rule changes, Clemson's three most recent seasons have resulted in the most game action for first-year freshmen since 1982.

### MOST FIRST-YEAR FRESHMEN TO APPEAR IN GAME ACTION (CLEMSON SINCE 1982)

Rk	Year	Players
1.	2019	36
2.	2020	27
3.	2018	20
4.	2021	17
5.	2015	14

Clemson had 26 different players who earned their first career starts at some point in 2020. Clemson's 26 first-time offensive and defensive starters tied for the most in the country in 2020.

### MOST PLAYERS TO MAKE THEIR FIRST START IN 2020 (FBS)

Rk	Team	Players
1.	Clemson	26
	Navy	26
3.	Army	25
	Mississippi State	25
5.	Air Force	24

Note: Numbers reflect only offensive/defensive starters.

Clemson started 40 different players in 2020 (38 excluding kicker B.T. Potter and punter Will Spiers), including 23 different starters on defense, the Clemson defense's most in a year since Brent Venables' arrival as defensive coordinator in 2012. Clemson's previous average under Venables had been 16.5, and Clemson's two national title teams of that era in 2016 and 2018 started 16 and 15 different players, respectively.

### MOST PLAYERS TO START ON DEFENSE (CLEMSON SINCE 2012)

Rk	Year	Players
1.	2020	23
2.	2014	21
3.	2012	18
4.	2013	17
5.	2017	16
	2016	16

In the season opener against Georgia, Clemson started two true freshmen in the first game of a season for the first time under Dabo Swinney. Marcus Tate earned the nod at left guard, becoming only the third true freshman offensive lineman to start a season opener at Clemson since 1973, joining center James Farr (1980) and tackle Mitch Hyatt (2015). Meanwhile, safety Andrew Mukuba became the first Clemson true freshman to start at defensive back in records back to 1973. It marked only the second time in that span Clemson started two first-year freshmen in a season opener, joining the 1980 opener against Rice.

## FIRST-YEAR FRESHMEN TO START SEASON OPENER (CLEMSON SINCE 1973)

Year	Player	Opponent
1973	RB Ken Callicutt	The Citadel
1973	DT Nelson Wallace	The Citadel
1974	DT Jeff Mills	Texas A&M
1980	TE Jeff Wells	Rice
1980	C James Farr	Rice
1987	DE John Johnson	Western Carolina
1988	PK Chris Gardocki	Virginia Tech
1994	RB Anthony Downs	Furman
1995	LB Anthony Simmons	Western Carolina
2001	WR Roscoe Crosby	Central Florida
2005	RB James Davis	Texas A&M
2006	RB C.J. Spiller	Florida Atlantic
2008	RB Jamie Harper	Alabama
2011	WR Adam Humphries	Troy
2015	T Mitch Hyatt	Wofford
2019	DT Tyler Davis	Georgia Tech
2021	S Andrew Mukuba	Georgia
2021	G Marcus Tate	Georgia

Particularly on defense, Clemson's youth from 2020 has turned into experience for 2021. Though Clemson officially returned nine *primary* starters from 2020, the Tigers welcomed back 20 different defenders with at least one career start, including seven defensive linemen, four linebackers, five safeties and four cornerbacks.

## CLEMSON DEFENDERS WHO ENTERED 2021 WITH AT LEAST ONE CAREER START

Player	Pos.	Career* Games	Career* Starts
James Skalski	LB	56	25
Tyler Davis	DT	22	20
Nolan Turner	S	55	15
Justin Foster	DE	39	13
Bryan Bresee	DT	12	10
Baylon Spector	LB	42	10
Justin Mascoll	DE	28	9
Xavier Thomas	DE	34	9
Lannden Zanders	S	24	9
Sheridan Jones	CB	25	8
Joseph Charleston	S	24	6
K.J. Henry	DE	31	6
Myles Murphy	DE	12	6
Andrew Booth Jr.	CB	24	4
Mario Goodrich	CB	35	4
Jake Venables	LB	26	4
Malcolm Greene	CB	12	3
Trenton Simpson	LB	12	3
Ray Thornton III	S	16	2
Jalyn Phillips	S	25	1

Note: GP/GS entering 2021 (doesn't include 2021 GP/GS). Two new starters made their starting debuts in the 2021 season opener: S Andrew Mukuba and DT Ruke Orhorhoro

Said Georgia Head Coach Kirby Smart prior to his team's season opener against Clemson: "They are probably one of the best defenses I have ever seen returning in terms of number of starts and number of games played. The volume of experience is unmatched anywhere, anytime — and I have been in college football a long time — just in terms of how much football those guys have played."

## 400-YARD GAMES

Clemson reached the 400-yard mark in all 12 games in 2020, the second-longest streak to open a season in school history, behind only the 2018 Tigers, who reached the 400-yard mark in all 15 games of their 15-0 national championship season.

Clemson's 12 400-yard games in 2020 were second-most in the country, and its 75 400-yard games since 2015 lead the nation.

## MOST 400-YARD GAMES SINCE 2015

Rk	School	Games
1.	Clemson	75

2.	Oklahoma	73
3.	Alabama	68
4.	Ohio State	62
5.	Memphis	61

## MOST 400-YARD GAMES (FBS, 2020)

Rk	School	Games
1.	Alabama	13
2.	Clemson	12
3.	BYU	11
	Florida	11
5.	North Carolina	10
	Ole Miss	10

## MOST CONSECUTIVE 400-YARD GAMES TO OPEN A SEASON (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Year	Games
1.	2018	15*
2.	2020	12*
3.	2000	8
4.	2012	6
	2013	6

\* - denotes every game of that season

## MOST CONSECUTIVE 400-YARD GAMES (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Year(s)	Games
1.	2018-19	16
2.	2015-16	15
3.	2020	12
4.	2015	11
5.	2019	9

Clemson's recent track record of prolific offense and stingy defense has helped Clemson produce nine of its 11 best single-game yardage differentials in school history since 2014. Only Clemson's plus-467-yard margin in total yards against The Citadel in 1954 and its plus-464-yard margin against Wake Forest in 2000 predate the 2014 season among the Top 10 yardage margins in Clemson annals.

## SINGLE GAME-TOTAL YARDAGE DIFFERENTIALS (CLEMSON SINCE 1953)

Rk	Year	Opponent	CU-Opp.	Diff.
1.	2014	South Carolina State	735-44	+691
2.	2017	Kent State	665-120	+545
3.	2019	Boston College	674-177	+497
4.	2020	Georgia Tech	671-204	+467
	1954	The Citadel	531-64	+467
6.	2000	Wake Forest	623-159	+464
7.	2018	Georgia Southern	595-140	+455
8.	2016	South Carolina State	555-102	+453
9.	2018	Wake Forest	698-249	+449
10.	2019	Wofford	702-256	+446
	2017	The Citadel	662-216	+446

## OFFENSIVE BALANCE

Clemson's distribution of talent throughout its offense and its willingness to adapt to how defenses are game planning has resulted in the Tigers fielding one of the nation's more balanced offenses in recent years. In 2018, Clemson set a school record with 3,723 rushing yards. In 2020, Clemson set a school record with 348.5 passing yards per game.

Clemson has exceeded both 200 passing yards and 200 rushing yards in 54 games under Dabo Swinney, posting a perfect record in those contests. Clemson's 20 such games since the start of the 2018 season are tied for third-most in the country.

## GAMES WITH 200 RUSHING YARDS AND 200 PASSING YARDS (SINCE 2018)

Rk	School	Games
1.	Ohio State	21
	Oklahoma	21
3.	Clemson	20
	UCF	20
5.	Memphis	18

From 2018-20, Clemson was the only program in the country to both throw and rush for 9,000 yards in each category. Lowering the bar, Clemson was one of only six teams to reach 8,000 yards in both categories.

## FBS TEAMS WITH 8,000 RUSHING YARDS AND 8,000 PASSING YARDS (2018-20)

Rk	School	Rush Yds.	Pass Yds.	Total Yds
1.	Clemson	12,687	9,194	21,881
2.	Oklahoma	12,149	8,812	20,961
3.	UCF	11,038	8,489	19,527
4.	Memphis	10,969	8,138	19,107
5.	Ohio State	10,806	8,275	19,081
6.	Louisiana	8,486	9,013	17,499

Clemson has averaged at least 200 rushing yards and 200 passing yards per game four times in school history, with two of those seasons occurring in the 2018 and 2019 campaigns. Clemson broke the 3,000-yard mark both rushing and passing in both 2018 and 2019, two of three 3,000/3,000 seasons in school history (2015).

## A LEGEND RETURNS

Among the lengthy list of moments that have led to Clemson's recent seat among college football's oligarchy, one came at Union County High School in Lake Butler, Fla. on Feb. 1, 2006. It was that day that a five-star running back named C.J. Spiller publicly supported the vision of his recruiter, a young wide receivers coach named Dabo Swinney, by committing to Clemson on National Signing Day.

Spiller spent four years building a sparkling on-field and off-field legacy at Clemson, and now, Clemson has welcomed Spiller back as one of its 10 full-time assistant coaches.

In February, 33-year-old Spiller officially assumed leadership of Clemson's running backs, a role previously held by Tony Elliott, who assumed the title of Assistant Head Coach/Offensive Coordinator/Tight Ends Coach.

"[Spiller] is one of the greatest ambassadors that we've had for our program for a long time and now for him to be able to come back and be able to sow seeds into these young men and teach all the things he's learned throughout his career, there's not a guy on this staff that's more committed and more ALL IN for Clemson than C.J. Spiller, that's for sure," Swinney said.

Spiller joined Clemson's staff on a full-time basis after joining the program as an unpaid coaching intern in 2020 while pursuing his Master's degree in athletic leadership. Prior to entering the coaching ranks, Spiller was one of the most decorated players in Clemson history, earning selection last month for induction in the College Football Hall of Fame Class of 2021.

"It doesn't happen very often that you're able to coach at your alma mater, especially in your first gig, and for me to have that opportunity, I don't take it lightly," Spiller said.

Spiller's historic Clemson playing career covered 2006-09, including a senior campaign in which won ACC Player of the Year and was a unanimous first-team All-American en route to finishing sixth in Heisman Trophy voting. That year, he joined Reggie Bush as the only players in college football history with 3,000 rushing yards, 1,500 yards in kickoff returns, 1,000 receiving yards and 500 yards in punt returns. He became the fourth Clemson graduate among the Tigers' 10 full-time assistant coaches, joining Brandon Streeter (1999), Tony Elliott (2002) and Tyler Grisham (2009).

## TIGHT END RENAISSANCE

Dabo Swinney has often mentioned tight ends as being a foundational piece of Clemson's offensive

identity for the balance they provide in both the running and passing game in Clemson's base 11 personnel.

So when Clemson tight ends combined for 43 catches for 400 yards and two scores across both the 2018 and 2019 seasons, the familiar refrain outside the program became, "Where are Clemson's tight ends?"

The tight ends returned to public consciousness in 2020, as the group combined for 50 receptions for 664 yards and seven touchdowns, the position group's most in a season in all categories since 2016.

The group now falls under the direct purview of playcaller Tony Elliott, the Offensive Coordinator who assumed control of Clemson's tight ends after sliding over from the running backs group in 2021 upon the hire of C.J. Spiller. Elliott returned a strong group for 2021, as Braden Galloway and Davis Allen were primary contributors for two of the tight end group's best games in the Dabo Swinney era in 2020 against Wake Forest and Miami (Fla.) That 2020 Miami game represented the first time that Clemson tight ends combined for three scores in a game.

## MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY TIGHT ENDS IN A SINGLE GAME UNDER DABO SWINNEY

Rk	Game (Players)	Season	Rec-Yds-TD
1.	at Florida State Jordan Leggett (5-122-1)	2016	5-122-1
2.	at South Carolina Michael Palmer (8-106-1), Dwayne Allen (1-12)	2009	9-118-1
3.	at Wake Forest B. Galloway (5-60), D. Allen (1-42), J. Chalk (1-12-1)	2020	7-114-1
4.	at Miami (Fla.) Michael Palmer (5-74-1), Dwayne Allen (4-36)	2009	9-110-1
5.	vs. Florida State Jordan Leggett (6-101)	2015	6-101-0
	vs. NC State Brandon Ford (5-101-2)	2012	5-101-2
7.	vs. Wake Forest Dwayne Allen (4-48), Brandon Ford (3-51-1)	2011	7-99-1
8.	vs. Miami (Fla.) Braden Galloway (4-74-2), Davis Allen (1-22-1)	2020	5-96-3
9.	vs. NC State Brandon Ford (5-77), Dwayne Allen (3-18)	2011	8-95-0
	vs. Pitt Jordan Leggett (6-95)	2016	6-95-0
	vs. Alabama Jordan Leggett (7-95)	2016	7-95-0

Note: Clemson's most receptions by tight ends in a single game under Swinney is 10 for 74 yards vs. LSU in 2012 Peach Bowl.

Clemson's most productive tight end output by yardage came from its 2016 National Championship team that featured the play of All-American Jordan Leggett. Clemson tight ends had 797 receiving yards that year, most in the Swinney era, on 52 catches. The record for receptions for the tight end position under Swinney is 65, in 2011 when the Tigers featured John Mackey Award winner Dwayne Allen.

## TIGHT END PRODUCTION BY SEASON (CLEMSON UNDER DABO SWINNEY)

Year	GP	Rec	Yards	TD
2008	7*	8	90	1
2009	14	54	617	8
2010	13	43	451	3
2011	14	65	782	10
2012	13	55	609	10
2013	13	44	495	7
2014	13	31	381	3
2015	15	43	550	8
2016	15	52	797	7
2017	14	27	314	2
2018	15	17	161	2
2019	15	26	239	0
2020	12	50	664	7
2021	2	7	45	0

\* - Swinney served as interim head coach for the final seven games

## YARDS PER PLAY

Clemson shattered its school record for yards per play in 2018 at 7.35, the program's first time exceeding seven yards per play in a season. That record stood for barely 12 months until Clemson broke it again in 2019 by averaging 7.38 yards per play. Clemson then averaged 6.69 yards per play in 2020, giving Clemson its top three yards-per-play averages in school history all within the last three years.

## MOST YARDS PER PLAY (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk	Year	No.
1.	2019	7.38
2.	2018	7.35
3.	2020	6.69
4.	2006	6.50
5.	2015	6.39

In 2018-19, Clemson became only the third school since 2000 to average 7.35 or better yards per play in back-to-back seasons, joining Alabama, which did it across 2018-19, and Oklahoma, which was in the midst of a four-year streak across the 2016-19 seasons.

Collectively, Clemson averaged 7.2 yards per play across the 2018-20 seasons, joining Oklahoma (7.9) and Alabama (7.8) as the only programs to average at least seven yards per play across those three seasons.

## YARDS PER PLAY (FBS, 2018-20)

Rk	School	Plays	Yards	Avg.
1.	Oklahoma	2649	20,961	7.9
2.	Alabama	2751	21,515	7.8
3.	Clemson	3050	21,881	7.2
4.	Ohio State	2765	19,081	6.9
5.	Ohio	1898	12,907	6.8

## 650-POINT SEASONS

Before scoring 522 points (tied for second-most in the country) in a pandemic-truncated 2020 season, Clemson scored 659 points in 2019, concluding the season only five points shy of tying the school record of 664 set in 2018.

Clemson remains responsible for two of the 22 650-point seasons in major college football history and two of only 16 since Division I split in 1978. Clemson was the first school with back-to-back 650-point seasons since Yale in 1888-89, predating the start of official NCAA recordkeeping in 1937 and the second year of which was coincidentally the year Clemson was founded.

## 650-POINT SEASONS (MAJOR COLLEGE FOOTBALL HISTORY)

Rk	School	Season	Points
1.	Harvard	1886	765
2.	LSU	2019	726
3.	Minnesota	1904	725
4.	Florida State	2013	723
5.	Oklahoma	2008	716
6.	Yale	1888	694
7.	Houston	2011	690
8.	Yale	1886	687
9.	Alabama	2018	684
10.	Oregon	2014	681
11.	Baylor	2013	681
12.	Oklahoma	2018	677
13.	Ohio State	2014	672
14.	Clemson	2018	664
15.	Yale	1889	664
16.	Tulsa	2008	661
17.	Harvard	1887	660
18.	Clemson	2019	659
19.	Ohio State	2019	656
20.	Hawaii	2006	656
21.	Nebraska	1983	654
22.	Texas	2005	652

Source: Sports-Reference

## CLOSE-GAME SUCCESS

Clemson has not played a large number of one-possession games in recent years, but the Tigers have proven very adept at winning such contests since 2011. In that span, the Tigers have played 33 games with a final margin of eight points or less, and Clemson's .818 winning percentage in those one-possession contests is the best in the country in that time frame.

## HIGHEST WINNING PCT., GAMES DECIDED BY EIGHT POINTS OR LESS (SINCE 2011)

Rk	School	W	L	G	Win %
1.	Clemson	27	6	33	.818
2.	Liberty	11	4	15	.733
3.	Ohio State	26	11	37	.703
4.	Louisiana	30	14	44	.682
5.	Oklahoma	27	13	40	.675
6.	Oklahoma State	31	15	46	.674
7.	Cincinnati	26	14	40	.650
8.	Notre Dame	34	19	53	.642
9.	Georgia	30	17	47	.638
10.	Michigan State	29	17	46	.630

Clemson's success in tight games comes despite no team in the country winning more games by 21+ points since 2018 and Clemson ranking among the nation's best in average margin of victory in that span.

## WINS OF 21+ POINTS SINCE 2018

Rk	School	Games
1.	Clemson	32
2.	Alabama	31
3.	Ohio State	21
4.	Georgia	20
5.	Appalachian State	18
	USC	18

Note: Clemson and Alabama each have a 28-point national championship game win to their credit in that time frame as well

## AVERAGE MARGIN OF VICTORY SINCE 2018

Rk	School	Off. PPG	Def. PPG	Margin
1.	Alabama	47.0	18.4	+28.6
2.	Clemson	43.1	14.9	+28.2
3.	Ohio State	43.4	21.6	+21.8
4.	Oklahoma	45.3	27.4	+17.9
5.	UCF	43.3	25.6	+17.7
6.	Appalachian State	36.3	18.7	+17.6
7.	Georgia	33.8	16.4	+17.4
8.	Cincinnati	34.2	18.0	+16.2
9.	Notre Dame	34.0	19.3	+14.7
10.	Florida	36.1	21.6	+14.5

## TAKEAWAYS, NO GIVEAWAYS

Clemson emphasizes the importance of turnover margin every week on what it dubs "TANOGA Tuesday," standing for "TakeAways, NO GiveAways."

Clemson had 15 giveaways in 12 games in 2020, a 1.25 turnovers-per-game mark that ranked 10th in school history. Four of Clemson's 10-best seasons protecting the ball have come in the last four seasons.

## FEWEST TURNOVERS PER GAME (CLEMSON HISTORY)

Rk.	Season	TO/G	Record	Season Note
1.	1940	0.88	6-2-1	SoCon Champs
2.	2007	0.92	9-4	Finished as AP No. 21
3.	2019	1.00	14-1	ACC Champs/Nat'l Runner Up
4.	1988	1.08	10-2	ACC Champs/No. 9 AP Finish
	1989	1.08	10-2	Finished as AP No. 12
6.	1994	1.09	5-6	
7.	1938	1.11	7-1-1	Finished 2nd in SoCon
8.	2018	1.13	15-0	ACC/National Champs
9.	2017	1.14	12-2	ACC Champs/CFP Berth
10.	2020	1.25	10-2	ACC Champs/CFP Berth

One year after the 2019 Tigers won the turnover margin 11 times, Clemson's most in a season under Dabo Swinney, Clemson won the turnover margin six times in 2020.



## CLEMSON TURNOVER HISTORY UNDER DABO SWINNEY

Games with...	Games	Record (Win Pct.)
0 giveaways	37	33-4 (89.2)
1 giveaway	57	50-7 (87.7)
2 giveaways	47	38-9 (80.9)
3+ giveaways	34	20-14 (58.8)
0 takeaways	27	18-9 (66.7)
1 takeaway	44	34-10 (77.2)
2 takeaways	58	44-14 (75.9)
3+ takeaways	46	45-1 (97.8)
-3 or worse turnover margin	9	2-7 (22.2)
-2 turnover margin	23	18-5 (78.2)
-1 turnover margin	24	15-9 (62.5)
Even turnover margin	35	28-7 (80.0)
+1 turnover margin	38	33-5 (86.8)
+2 turnover margin	30	29-1 (96.7)
+3 or better turnover margin	16	16-0 (100.0)

Clemson recorded 23 takeaways in 2020, tied for fourth-most in the country. It marked Clemson's second straight season finishing in the Top 10 in the nation in takeaways. The Tigers finished tied for 12th in the nation in turnover margin at +8 on the year.

## TAKEAWAYS (FBS, 2020)

Rk	School	FR	INT	Total
1.	Georgia Southern	8	18	26
2.	Coastal Carolina	9	16	25
3.	Syracuse	11	13	24
4.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>23</b>
	Louisiana-Lafayette	7	16	23

## POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

Clemson's offense and defense have both been dominant in possessions following turnovers since the 2018 ACC Championship Game. Since that time, the Tigers hold a 286-69 advantage against opponents in points off turnovers.

Clemson outscored opponents off turnovers, 134-21, in 2019, and its +7.53-point-per-game differential off turnovers ranked third in the country. In 2020, Clemson outscored opponents 114-31 off turnovers, with 21 of the 31 points allowed surrendered directly by the Clemson offense on defensive touchdowns.

## OWNING THE "MIDDLE EIGHT"

During its current run of six consecutive College Football Playoff appearances dating to 2015, Clemson has frequently won one of the hidden "games within the game."

SportSource Analytics tracks the "Middle Eight," the section of the game defined as the final four minutes of the first half and the first four minutes of the second half. Clemson has outscored opponents in that time window 54 times since 2015, posting a 52-2 record in those contests.

Clemson was historically strong in that category in 2018, outscoring opponents 132-10 in the middle eight, an average margin of +8.1 points per game. That per-game differential was the largest by any program in the country since 2013.

Clemson is still awaiting its first winning Middle Eight performance of 2021.

## "MIDDLE EIGHT" DIFFERENTIAL (CLEMSON SINCE 2015)

Year	M8 Pts. For	M8 Pts. Against	Diff.	Record*
2015	75	43	+32	8-0
2016	95	50	+45	8-0
2017	71	6	+65	8-1
2018	132	10	+122	12-0
2019	108	24	+84	10-0
2020	85	61	+24	6-1
2021	0	10	-10	0-0

\* - Record in games when outscoring teams in the middle eight

## -- NOTABLE --

## ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

Clemson has matched its on-field success in recent years with national acclaim for its success in the classroom. Of note:

- Clemson set a program record in APR in the NCAA's most recent national figures released in May 2020, recording a multi-year APR score of 993 for the 2018-19 academic year. The performance marked the third straight year Clemson broke its program record in the metric after breaking its 992 from 2017-18, which had broken its 987 mark from 2016-17.

- Clemson's 993 multi-year APR ranked fourth in the Power Five and fifth among FBS programs, trailing only Washington (999), Ole Miss (997), Northwestern (995) and Air Force (995). That metric covered a four-year span in which Clemson matched its off-field success with on-field accolades that included a 55-4 record, four College Football Playoff appearances and two national championships.

- The NCAA recognized Clemson with its annual APR Public Recognition Award, which is bestowed upon programs ranking in the Top 10 percent of their respective sports. From 2009-10 through 2018-19, only 37 of the 130 FBS programs earned at least one APR recognition since the 2009-10 academic year. Only 30 of them earned it multiple times. Clemson, Duke and Northwestern programs were the only ones to earn the award nine or more times in that 10-year span. Clemson would have earned a 10th APR Public Recognition Award for 2019-20 after recording a perfect 1000 for the term, but the NCAA suspended national APR reporting as a function of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Prior to the NCAA suspending APR reporting, Clemson was one of only six FBS programs with an active streak of having earned an APR Public Recognition Award in each of the last three academic years, a group that also included Air Force, Boston College, Navy, Northwestern and Washington.

- With its most recent award for the 2018-19 academic year, Clemson was the only FBS program since the NCAA created the APR metric in 2003 to win a national championship and an APR Public Recognition Award in the same year multiple times. Alabama is the only other school to accomplish the title/APR double in a single year once (2011-12 academic year).

## NCAA ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE PUBLIC RECOGNITION AWARDS (2009-10 THROUGH 2018-19)

Rk	School	Years
1.	Northwestern	10
2.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>9</b>
	Duke	9
4.	Air Force	8
	Stanford	8

Note: The NCAA suspended APR reporting for the most recent academic year during the COVID-19 pandemic, but Clemson internally recorded a perfect 1000 for the 2019-20 year.

## APR LEADERS (FBS, 2018-19 ACADEMIC YEAR)

Rk	School	APR
1.	Washington	999
2.	Ole Miss	997
3.	Northwestern	995
	Air Force	995
5.	<b>Clemson</b>	<b>993</b>

## CLEMSON MULTI-YEAR APR RECORDS

Rk	Academic Year	APR
1.	2018-19	993
2.	2017-18	992
3.	2016-17	987
4.	2011-12	985
5.	2013-14	984

In addition to the APR honors, in November 2019, the AFCA announced that Clemson had repeated as Academic Achievement Award winners, making Clemson the only school in the country to earn the award across both of the 2018-19 seasons. Clemson had earned the award a year earlier as well in the midst of major college football's first 15-0 season since 1897.

## TIGERS DOMINATE FALL 2020 SEMESTER

In the face of one of the most abnormal learning environments in the history of the university, Clemson's student-athletes responded to academic adversity impressively last fall. Among Clemson's academic achievements for the Fall 2020 semester were:

- A program-record 74 individuals earned a 3.0 GPA or better, including 11 perfect 4.0s. Among the freshmen, seven of Clemson's eight summer enrollees earned a 3.0 or better in their initial semester on campus, as did three of the four summer preferred walk-ons.

- Seventeen current football student-athletes graduated in December, including Elijah Turner, who earned a second degree by securing a Master's in athletic leadership and graduating with a perfect 4.0 GPA. Twelve different majors were represented by this year's graduates.

- Three players completed their undergraduate degrees in three years (K.J. Henry, Trevor Lawrence and Xavier Thomas) after all enrolled in January 2018. In recent history, the only other scholarship players to graduate from Clemson in this time frame were Christian Wilkins (2.5 years), Deshaun Watson and Artavis Scott (three years).

- Eight of the 17 fall graduates did so with honors, completing their degrees with a cumulative GPA over a 3.0: Matt Bockhorst, Peter Cote, Justin Foster, K.J. Henry, Trevor Lawrence, Darien Rencher, Will Spiers and Elijah Turner.

- Clemson entered 2020 bowl season with 23 graduates on the roster. Included in this number were double graduates Nyles Pinckney (Sociology and Criminal Justice) and Elijah Turner (Communication and Athletic Leadership).

## ALL EYES ON CLEMSON

"Where the Blue Ridge yawns its greatness, where the Tigers play..."

Those are the opening words to Clemson's alma mater. In recent years, "where the Tigers play" has also been where eyes and television sets inevitably turn.

Over the previous three seasons, Clemson games accounted for the four most-watched college football games and five of the 10 most-watched games since 2018.

## MOST-VIEWED GAMES (2018-20)

Rk.	Game (Season)	Viewership
1.	Clemson vs. LSU (2019)	25,590,000
2.	Clemson vs. Alabama (2018)	25,280,000
3.	Clemson vs. Ohio State (2019)	21,150,000
4.	Clemson vs. Ohio State (2020)	19,150,000
5.	Alabama vs. Oklahoma (2018)	19,069,000
6.	Notre Dame vs. Alabama (2020)	18,890,000
7.	Alabama vs. Ohio State (2020)	18,650,000
8.	Georgia vs. Alabama (2018)	17,499,000
9.	LSU vs. Oklahoma (2019)	17,210,000
10.	Clemson vs. Notre Dame (2018)	16,809,000

Source: Sports Media Watch

Clemson has played in the most-watched game of five of the past six seasons, including 2020, when its semifinal game against Ohio State outdrew the national championship.

## MOST-VIEWED GAMES OF EACH SEASON (2015-20)

Season	Game	Viewership
2015	Clemson vs. Alabama	26,182,000
2016	Clemson vs. Alabama	25,266,000
2017	Alabama vs. Georgia	28,443,000
2018	Clemson vs. Alabama	25,280,000
2019	Clemson vs. LSU	25,590,000
2020	Clemson vs. Ohio State	19,150,000

Source: Sports Media Watch

Clemson once again drew the nation's attention in its 2021 season opener. Via ESPN PR: "The top-five faceoff between Georgia and Clemson averaged 8,863,000 viewers, making the matchup the second-most-viewed Kickoff Saturday game in the past 20 years (Florida State vs. Alabama, 2017). The contest ranked in the top five regular season college football games on ABC the past five years."

The interest in watching Clemson play hasn't been limited to television broadcasts. Clemson continues to provide one of the great in-venue experiences in all of sports, as Clemson entered 2021 having been ranked in the Top 20 in the nation average home attendance at Memorial Stadium for 40 straight seasons. Clemson finished third nationally in cumulative total attendance in 2020.

## RELATIVELY SPEAKING

Clemson's 2021 roster has many connections to college and professional athletics. Below is a list of notable connections:

- Davis Allen, TE: Son of John Allen, a linebacker who lettered at Georgia from 1989-91; also the brother of Reed Allen, who played defensive end at the United States Air Force Academy.
- David Cote, LB: Third Cote sibling to play for Clemson. His brothers, Kyle (2016 and 2018) and Peter (2018), both won national championships as walk-on safeties at Clemson.
- Carson Donnelly, DB: Father, Chris, played at Alabama with Dabo Swinney.
- Hamp Greene, WR: Son of Hamp Greene, who was a kicker on Alabama's 1992 national championship squad with Dabo Swinney.
- K.J. Henry, DE: Son of Keith Henry, current cornerbacks coach and special teams coordinator at Western Carolina.
- Tye Herbstreit, WR: Son of former Ohio State quarterback Kirk Herbstreit.
- Trent Howard, OL: Father, Johnny Howard, played at Alabama with Dabo Swinney.
- Tristan Leigh, OL: Father, Stan, played running back at Virginia from 1990-94.
- Armon Mason, DE: Father, Anthony, played 13 years in the NBA, earning an All-Star selection and an NBA Sixth Man of the Year Award.
- Myles Murphy, DE: Father, Willard, played at Tennessee-Chattanooga.
- Joseph Ngata, WR: Brother of Washington linebacker Ariel Ngata.
- Ruke Orhororo, DE: Cousin of three family members who played or are still playing college football — Michael Ojemudia (Iowa), Mario Ojemudia (Michigan) and Ovie Oghoufo (Notre Dame).
- Luke Price, TE: Brother of former Clemson offensive lineman Phillip Price.

- Will Swinney, WR, and Drew Swinney, WR: Sons of Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney.

- James Skalski, LB: Father, John, played football at Oklahoma.

- Baylon Spector, LB, and Brannon Spector, WR: Sons of former Clemson receiver Robbie Spector.

- Will Spiers, P: Son of former Clemson punter and baseball All-American Bill Spiers.

- Jeremiah Trotter Jr., LB: Son of Jeremiah Trotter Sr., a four-time Pro Bowler who played 12 NFL seasons for the Eagles, Redskins and Buccaneers from 1998-2009.

- Nolan Turner, SS: Son of former Alabama player Kevin Turner, who also played eight years in the NFL with New England Patriots and Philadelphia Eagles.

- Regan Upshaw, DE: Son of nine-year NFL defensive tackle Regan Upshaw; brother of Michigan defensive lineman Taylor Upshaw.

- Jake Venables, LB, and Tyler Venables, S: Sons of Clemson defensive coordinator Brent Venables.

## FATHER-SON LEGACIES ON CLEMSON ROSTER

Player	Father (Clemson Years)
Baylon Spector, LB	Robbie Spector, WR (1988-90)
Brannon Spector, WR	Robbie Spector, WR (1988-90)
Will Spiers, P	Bill Spiers, P (1986)

## ACTIVE FBS HEAD COACHES WITH SONS PLAYING AT THE FBS LEVEL

Coach (School)	Son(s) (School)
Tom Allen (Indiana)	Thomas (Indiana)
Luke Fickell (Cincinnati)	Landon (Cincinnati)
Todd Graham (Hawaii)	Michael (Hawaii)
Mike Gundy (Oklahoma St.)	Gunnar (Oklahoma St.)
Butch Jones (Arkansas State)	Adam (Arkansas State)
Bronco Mendenhall (Virginia)	Breaker (Utah State)
Phillip Montgomery (Tulsa)	Cannon (Tulsa)
Ken Niumatalolo (Navy)	Ali'i (Utah)
Dabo Swinney (Clemson)	Will & Drew (Clemson)
Willie Taggart (Florida Atlantic)	Willie Jr. (Florida Atlantic)

## TIGERS IN THE NFL

As of Sept. 12, 39 players from Clemson were under NFL contracts, including players on active rosters, reserve lists and practice squads:

## FORMER TIGERS IN THE NFL (AS OF SEPT. 12)

Player	Pos.	NFL Team
Mackensie Alexander	CB	Minnesota Vikings
Tremayne Anchrum Jr.	G	Los Angeles Rams
Bashaud Breeland	CB	Minnesota Vikings
Austin Bryant	DE	Detroit Lions
Jackson Carman	G	Cincinnati Bengals
Travis Etienne	RB	Jacksonville Jaguars
Clelin Ferrell	DE	Las Vegas Raiders
Wayne Gallman Jr.	RB	Atlanta Falcons
T.J. Green	CB	Atlanta Falcons
Tee Higgins	WR	Cincinnati Bengals
DeAndre Hopkins	WR	Arizona Cardinals
Albert Huggins	DT	New Orleans Saints
Adam Humphries	WR	Washington Football Team
Mitch Hyatt	T	Dallas Cowboys
Grady Jarrett	DT	Atlanta Falcons
Jayron Kearse	S	Dallas Cowboys
Trevor Lawrence	QB	Jacksonville Jaguars
Dexter Lawrence II	DT	New York Giants
Shaq Lawson	DE	New York Jets
Ray-Ray McCloud III	WR	Pittsburgh Steelers
Trayvon Mullen	CB	Las Vegas Raiders
Tanner Muse	LB	Seattle Seahawks
Dorian O'Daniel	LB	Kansas City Chiefs
Bradley Pinion	P	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Cornell Powell	WR	Kansas City Chiefs
D.J. Reader	DT	Cincinnati Bengals
Hunter Renfrow	WR	Las Vegas Raiders
Amari Rodgers	WR	Green Bay Packers
Tyler Shatley	G	Jacksonville Jaguars
Isaiah Simmons	LB	Arizona Cardinals

John Simpson	G	Las Vegas Raiders
A.J. Terrell	CB	Atlanta Falcons
K'Von Wallace	S	Philadelphia Eagles
Carlos Watkins	DE	Dallas Cowboys
Sammy Watkins	WR	Baltimore Ravens
Deshaun Watson	QB	Houston Texans
Christian Wilkins	DT	Miami Dolphins
DeShawn Williams	DT	Denver Broncos
Mike Williams	WR	Los Angeles Chargers

# DEPTH CHARTS

## CLEMSON OFFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
LT	71	JORDAN McFADDEN	6-2	310	*Jr.
	74	Marcus Tate	6-5	325	Fr.
LG	74	MARCUS TATE	6-5	325	Fr.
	57	Paul Tchio	6-5	310	So.
	59	Dietrick Pennington	6-5	335	Fr.
C	65	MATT BOCKHORST	6-4	315	^*Sr.
	55	Hunter Rayburn	6-4	320	*So.
	or 75	Trent Howard	6-3	290	*Fr.
RG	56	WILL PUTNAM	6-4	305	Jr.
	54	Mason Trotter	6-2	285	*So.
RT	64	WALKER PARKS	6-5	300	So.
	77	Mitchell Mayes	6-3	310	So.
TE	88	BRADEN GALLOWAY	6-4	245	Sr.
	or 84	DAVIS ALLEN	6-6	250	Jr.
	85	Jaelyn Lay	6-6	265	*So.
WR	or 87	Sage Ennis	6-4	240	*Fr.
	10	JOSEPH NGATA	6-3	220	Jr.
	or 2	FRANK LADSON JR.	6-3	205	Jr.
QB	82	Will Brown	5-8	190	^*Sr.
	5	DJ UIAGALELEI	6-4	250	So.
	7	Taisun Phommachanh	6-3	225	*So.
RB	or 18	Hunter Helms	6-2	210	*Fr.
	20	KOBE PACE	5-10	210	So.
	1	WILL SHIPLEY	5-11	205	Fr.
WR	or 23	Lyn-J Dixon	5-10	195	Sr.
	8	JUSTYN ROSS	6-4	205	*Jr.
	80	Beaux Collins	6-3	205	Fr.
WR	22	Will Swinney	5-9	185	^+Sr.
	6	E.J. WILLIAMS	6-3	195	Sr.
	11	Ajou Ajou	6-3	220	So.
	3	Dacari Collins	6-4	215	Fr.

## CLEMSON DEFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
DE	98	MYLES MURPHY	6-5	275	So.
	or 3	XAVIER THOMAS	6-2	265	^*Sr.
	or 5	K.J. HENRY	6-4	260	^*Sr.
DT	11	BRYAN BRESEE	6-5	300	So.
	33	Ruke Orhororo	6-4	295	*So.
DT	13	TYLER DAVIS	6-2	300	Jr.
	8	Tré Williams	6-2	300	*Fr.
DE	35	JUSTIN FOSTER	6-3	275	^*Sr.
	or 7	JUSTIN MASCOLL	6-4	260	*Jr.
	or 3	XAVIER THOMAS	6-2	265	^*Sr.
SLB/NB	22	TRENTON SIMPSON	6-3	230	So.
	or 21	MALCOLM GREENE	5-10	190	So.
	12	Tyler Venables	5-10	200	So.
MLB	or 0	Barrett Carter	6-1	225	Fr.
	47	JAMES SKALSKI	6-0	240	^*Sr.
	15	Jake Venables	6-2	235	*Jr.
WLB	or 17	Kane Patterson	6-1	230	Jr.
	10	BAYLON SPECTOR	6-2	235	^*Sr.
	42	LaVonta Bentley	6-0	235	*So.
CB	30	Keith Maguire	6-2	230	*So.
	or 54	Jeremiah Trotter Jr.	6-0	225	Fr.
	23	ANDREW BOOTH JR.	6-0	200	Jr.
SS	6	Sheridan Jones	6-0	185	Jr.
	21	Malcolm Greene	5-10	190	So.
	1	ANDREW MUKUBA	6-0	185	Fr.
FS	9	R.J. Mickens	6-0	205	So.
	24	NOLAN TURNER	6-1	205	^*Sr.
	25	Jalyn Phillips	6-1	205	Jr.
CB	or 18	Joseph Charleston	6-0	200	Jr.
	31	MARIO GOODRICH	6-0	190	Sr.
	2	Fred Davis II	6-0	190	So.
	or 20	Nate Wiggins	6-2	180	Fr.

## CLEMSON SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
PK	29	B.T. POTTER	5-10	190	Sr.
	41	Jonathan Weitz	5-11	190	*So.
P	48	WILL SPIERS	6-5	230	^*Sr.
	39	Aidan Swanson	6-3	180	*So.
KO	29	B.T. Potter	5-10	190	Sr.
	39	Aidan Swanson	6-3	180	*So.
LS (PK)	46	Jack Maddox	6-3	235	^*Sr.
	58	Holden Caspersen	5-11	210	Fr.
LS (P)	46	Jack Maddox	6-3	235	^*Sr.
	58	Holden Caspersen	5-11	210	Fr.
H	22	Will Swinney	5-9	185	^+Sr.
	81	Drew Swinney	5-9	185	*Jr.
PR	16	Will Taylor	5-10	175	Fr.
	8	Justyn Ross	6-4	205	*Jr.
KOR	1	Will Shipley	5-11	205	Fr.
	23	Lyn-J Dixon	5-10	195	Sr.

\* - one redshirt; ^ - graduate; + - utilizing NCAA blanket waiver from 2020 season for an extra year of eligibility; Note: Classes were advanced for 2020 season players who played five or more games in the 2020 season or had previously redshirted; as of Sept. 12.

## GEORGIA TECH

Georgia Tech Head Coach Geoff Collins elects not to furnish a depth chart and instead produces an "Above The Line" list. Please see Georgia Tech's game notes for additional details and insight on team personnel.

Listed below are Georgia Tech's starters from their most recent game.

## GEORGIA TECH OFFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
OL	54	JORDAN WILLIAMS	6-6	333	Fr.
OL	55	KENNY COOPER	6-3	325	*Sr.
OL	57	MIKEY MINIHAN	6-3	300	*Jr.
OL	70	RYAN JOHNSON	6-6	307	*Sr.
OL	77	DEVIN COCHRAN	6-7	314	*Sr.
TE	80	DYLAN LEONARD	6-5	246	So.
WR	2	KYRIC MCGOWAN	5-11	198	Sr.
QB	13	JORDAN YATES	6-0	196	*Fr.
RB	1	JAHMYR GIBBS	5-11	200	Fr.
RB	27	JORDAN MASON	6-1	218	*Jr.
WR	7	MALACHI CARTER	6-3	195	Jr.

## GEORGIA TECH DEFENSE

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
DL	0	DJIMON BROOKS	6-1	286	*Sr.
DL	5	T.K. CHIMEDZA	6-3	322	*So.
DL	15	JARED IVEY	6-6	275	Fr.
LB	4	QUEZ JACKSON	6-1	215	Jr.
LB	10	AYINDE ELEY	6-3	232	*Jr.
LB	25	CHARLIE THOMAS	6-2	207	Jr.
LB	42	JORDAN DOMINECK	6-3	235	*So.
DB	1	JUANYEH THOMAS	6-3	217	Jr.
DB	2	TARIQ CARPENTER	6-4	225	Sr.
DB	3	TRE SWILLING	6-0	196	*Jr.
DB	8	TOBIAS OLIVER	6-2	197	*Jr.

## GEORGIA TECH SPECIAL TEAMS

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	Cl.
PK	42	BRENT CIMAGLIA	6-0	219	*Sr.
P	43	DAVID SHANAHAN	6-2	190	Fr.
KO	88	Gavin Stewart	5-11	170	Fr.
LS	52	Cade Long	5-11	221	*So.
H	47	Austin Kent	6-1	215	*Jr.
PR	3	Azende Rey	5-10	215	*Sr.
KOR	1	Jahmyr Gibbs	5-11	200	Fr.

\* - one redshirt; Note: Only starters are listed from Georgia Tech's game against Kennesaw State on Sept. 11.



# ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

#	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown	High School or Junior College	Pronunciation
11	Ajou Ajou	WR	6-3	220	So.	1VL	Brooks, Alberta	Clearwater (Fla.) Academy	Ajou (uh-JOH)
84	Davis Allen	TE	6-6	250	Jr.	2VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	
45	Sergio Allen	LB	6-1	230	So.	SQ	Fort Valley, Ga.	Peach County HS	
29	Michael Becker	S	6-0	200	*Jr.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
42	LaVonta Bentley	LB	6-0	235	*So.	1VL	Birmingham, Ala.	P.D. Jackson-Olin HS	LaVonta (luh-VAHN-tay)
43	Will Blackston	TE	6-1	250	*Fr.	RS	Honea Path, S.C.	Belton-Honea Path HS	Honea (HUH-nee-uh)
65	Matt Bockhorst	OL	6-4	315	^*Sr.	3VL	Cincinnati, Ohio	St. Xavier HS	
68	Will Boggs	OL	6-3	285	*Fr.	RS	York, S.C.	York Comprehensive HS	
23	Andrew Booth Jr.	CB	6-0	200	Jr.	2VL	Dacula, Ga.	Archer HS	Dacula (duh-COO-luh)
11	Bryan Bresee	DT	6-5	300	So.	1VL	Damascus, Md.	Damascus HS	Bresee (bruH-ZEE)
9	Jake Briningstool	TE	6-6	235	Fr.	HS	Brentwood, Tenn.	Ravenwood HS	Briningstool (BREN-ing-stool)
67	Nathan Brooks	OL	6-5	280	Fr.	HS	Fort Mill, S.C.	Fort Mill HS	
82	Will Brown	WR	5-8	190	^*Sr.	2VL	Boiling Springs, S.C.	Boiling Springs HS	
19	DeMonte Capehart	DT	6-5	310	*Fr.	RS	Hartsville, S.C.	Hartsville HS	DeMonte (deh-MAHN-tay)
0	Barrett Carter	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	HS	Swanee, Ga.	North Gwinnett HS	
58	Holden Caspersen	LS	5-11	210	Fr.	HS	Roswell, Ga.	Roswell HS	
36	Quinn Castner	PK	5-5	145	*Fr.	RS	Fort Mill, S.C.	Nation Ford HS	
18	Joseph Charleston	S	6-0	200	Jr.	2VL	Milton, Ga.	Milton HS	
80	Beaux Collins	WR	6-3	205	Fr.	HS	Los Angeles, Calif.	St. John Bosco HS	Beaux (pronounced like "Bo")
3	Dacari Collins	WR	6-4	215	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga.	Westlake HS	Dacari (duh-CAR-ee)
48	David Cote	LB	5-11	215	*So.	SQ	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	Cote (COHT-ee)
60	Mac Cranford	OL	6-0	285	*So.	SQ	Hartsville, S.C.	Hartsville HS	
82	Jackson Crosby	WR	5-10	180	Fr.	HS	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
2	Fred Davis II	CB	6-0	190	So.	1VL	Jacksonville, Fla.	Trinity Christian Academy	
13	Tyler Davis	DT	6-2	300	Jr.	2VL	Apopka, Fla.	Wekiva HS	
44	Cade Denhoff	DE	6-5	250	Fr.	HS	Plant City, Fla.	Lakeland Christian School	Denhoff (DEN-hoff)
23	Lyn-J Dixon	RB	5-10	195	Sr.	3VL	Butler, Ga.	Taylor County HS	
27	Carson Donnelly	S	5-11	195	^*Jr.	2VL	Birmingham, Ala.	Briarwood Christian School	
51	Colby Doolittle	LB	6-2	225	Fr.	HS	Newberry, S.C.	Mid-Carolina HS	
19	Michel Dukes	RB	5-10	205	Jr.	2VL	Charleston, S.C.	First Baptist School	Michel (pronounced like "Michael")
83	Hampton Earle	WR	5-10	190	*So.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
52	Joey Eddis	LB	5-11	200	*Fr.	HS	Lawrence, Kan.	Lawrence Free State HS	
97	Nick Eddis	DT	5-11	275	*Sr.	SQ	Lawrence, Kan.	Lawrence Free State HS	
69	Jacob Edwards	OL	6-2	295	^*Sr.	1VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
95	James Edwards	DT	6-2	295	^*Sr.	1VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
87	Sage Ennis	TE	6-4	240	*Fr.	RS	Graceville, Fla.	Lincoln HS	
43	Riggs Faulkenberry	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	HS	Greenville, S.C.	Greenville Senior HS	
45	Philip Florenzo	LS	6-2	240	*Fr.	HS	Towson, Md.	Loyola Blakefield Preparatory School	
35	Justin Foster	DE	6-3	275	^*Sr.	3VL	Shelby, N.C.	Crest HS	
88	Braden Galloway	TE	6-4	245	Sr.	3VL	Anderson, S.C.	Seneca HS	
31	Mario Goodrich	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	3VL	Kansas City, Mo.	Lee's Summit West HS	
62	Connor Graham	OL	6-2	285	*Fr.	HS	Powdersville, S.C.	Powdersville HS	
24	Hamp Greene	WR	5-9	180	*So.	SQ	Birmingham, Ala.	Mountain Brook HS	
21	Malcolm Greene	CB	5-10	190	So.	1VL	Richmond, Va.	Highland Springs HS	
18	Hunter Helms	QB	6-2	210	*Fr.	RS	West Columbia, S.C.	Gray Collegiate Academy	
37	Jacob Hendricks	LB	5-7	180	Fr.	HS	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
5	K.J. Henry	DE	6-4	260	^*Jr.	3VL	Winston-Salem, N.C.	West Forsyth HS	
86	Tye Herbstreit	WR	5-11	170	*So.	SQ	Nashville, Tenn.	Montgomery Bell Academy	
75	Trent Howard	OL	6-3	290	*Fr.	RS	Birmingham, Ala.	Briarwood Christian School	
25	Blackmon Huckabee Jr.	WR	5-11	185	*Fr.	TR	Clover, S.C.	Clover HS	
89	Zach Jackson	WR	6-3	200	Fr.	HS	Acworth, Ga.	Allatoona HS	
90	Darnell Jefferies	DT	6-2	290	*Jr.	2VL	Covington, Ga.	Newton HS	
52	Tayquon Johnson	OG	6-2	340	*So.	1VL	Williamsport, Md.	Williamsport HS	
6	Sheridan Jones	CB	6-0	185	Jr.	2VL	Norfolk, Va.	Maury HS	
2	Frank Ladson Jr.	WR	6-3	205	Jr.	2VL	Miami, Fla.	South Dade Senior HS	
85	Jaelyn Lay	TE	6-6	265	*So.	1VL	Atlanta, Ga.	Riverdale HS	
70	Tristan Leigh	OL	6-6	315	Fr.	HS	Fairfax, Va.	James W. Robinson Secondary School	
53	Ryan Linthicum	C	6-3	300	Fr.	HS	Damascus, Md.	Damascus HS	
33	Ty Lucas	LS	5-7	225	*Jr.	1VL	Columbus, Ga.	Chattahoochee County HS	
46	Jack Maddox	OL	6-3	235	^*Sr.	2VL	Acton, Mass.	Acton-Boxborough Regional HS	
26	Phil Mafah	RB	6-1	225	Fr.	HS	Loganville, Ga.	Grayson HS	Mafah (MAH-fuh)
30	Keith Maguire	LB	6-2	230	*So.	1VL	Media, Pa.	Malvern Preparatory School	
49	Matthew Maloney	LB	6-0	210	*So.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
7	Justin Mascoll	DE	6-4	260	*Jr.	2VL	Snellville, Ga.	South Gwinnett HS	Mascoll (MA-skohl)
34	Armon Mason	DE	6-2	210	Fr.	HS	Richmond Hill, Ga.	Richmond Hill HS	Armon (ahr-MAHN)
89	Max May	WR	6-1	200	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
77	Mitchell Mayes	OL	6-3	310	So.	1VL	Raleigh, N.C.	Leesville Road HS	
39	Bubba McAtee	S	6-3	200	*Fr.	RS	Central, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	McAtee (MACK-uh-tee)
26	Jack McCall	CB	5-11	195	^*Sr.	SQ	Mount Pleasant, S.C.	Wando HS	
58	Evan McCutchen	DE	6-2	235	*Fr.	HS	Hampton, S.C.	Wade Hampton HS	
71	Jordan McFadden	OT	6-2	310	*Jr.	2VL	Spartanburg, S.C.	Dorman HS	
46	Matt McMahan	LB	6-0	225	*So.	SQ	Denver, N.C.	North Lincoln HS	McMahan (MAK-muh-han)
34	Kevin McNeal	RB	5-9	195	Fr.	HS	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	Tuscaloosa Academy	
9	R.J. Mickens	S	6-0	205	So.	1VL	Southlake, Texas	Carroll HS	
56	Reed Morrissey	LB	6-0	200	Fr.	HS	Greenville, S.C.	Wren HS	
47	Hogan Morton	PK	5-9	160	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, Ala.	Oak Mountain HS	
1	Andrew Mukuba	S	6-0	185	Fr.	HS	Austin, Texas	LBJ Early College HS	Mukuba (moo-KOO-buh)
98	Myles Murphy	DE	6-5	275	So.	1VL	Marietta, Ga.	Hillgrove HS	
38	Peter Nearn	S	6-2	195	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn.	Evangelical Christian School	
10	Joseph Ngata	WR	6-3	220	Jr.	2VL	Folsom, Calif.	Folsom HS	Ngata (ehn-GAHT-uh)
33	Ruke Orhororo	DT	6-4	295	*So.	1VL	Lagos, Nigeria	River Rouge (Mich.) HS	Orhororo (oh-ROH-roh-roh)
20	Kobe Pace	RB	5-10	210	So.	1VL	Cedartown, Ga.	Cedartown HS	
55	Payton Page	DT	6-4	335	Fr.	HS	Greensboro, N.C.	Dudley HS	
64	Walker Parks	OL	6-5	300	So.	1VL	Lexington, Ky.	Frederick Douglass HS	

# ALPHABETICAL ROSTER (CONT.)

#	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown	High School or Junior College	Pronunciation
17	Kane Patterson	LB	6-1	230	Jr.	2VL	Brentwood, Tenn.	Christ Presbyterian Academy	
91	Zaire Patterson	DE	6-5	250	Fr.	HS	Winston-Salem, N.C.	Winston-Salem Preparatory Academy	
59	Dietrick Pennington	OL	6-5	335	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn.	Evangelical Christian School	Dietrick (DEE-trick)
25	Jalyn Phillips	S	6-1	205	Jr.	2VL	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Archer HS	
7	Taisun Phommachanh	QB	6-3	225	*So.	SQ	Bridgeport, Conn.	Avon Old Farms School	Taisun Phommachanh (TY-suhn P00-muh-chahn)
44	Banks Pope	TE	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Columbia, S.C.	A.C. Flora HS	
29	B.T. Potter	PK	5-10	190	Sr.	3VL	Rock Hill, S.C.	South Pointe HS	
40	Luke Price	TE	6-2	235	^*Sr.	1VL	Dillon, S.C.	Dillon Christian School	
56	Will Putnam	OG	6-4	305	Jr.	2VL	Tampa, Fla.	Plant HS	
92	Klayton Randolph	DE	6-2	260	*Jr.	SQ	Gaffney, S.C.	Gaffney HS	
55	Hunter Rayburn	OL	6-4	320	*So.	1VL	Pensacola, Fla.	Pensacola HS	
21	Darien Rencher	RB	5-8	195	^+*Sr.	3VL	Anderson, S.C.	T.L. Hanna HS	
32	Etinosa Reuben	DT	6-3	285	*So.	1VL	Kansas City, Mo.	Park Hill South HS	Etinosa (eh-tee-OH-sah)
31	Tristen Rigby	RB	5-10	200	Fr.	HS	St. Gabriel, La.	Episcopal School of Baton Rouge	
41	Andrew Roberts	DE	6-4	225	*Jr.	SQ	Conway, S.C.	Aynor HS	
59	Jabriel Robinson	DE	6-4	260	^*Sr.	TR	Bluffton, S.C.	Bluffton HS	
40	Elijah Rodgers	CB	6-1	185	*Jr.	TR	Gaffney, S.C.	Blacksburg HS	
8	Justyn Ross	WR	6-4	205	*Jr.	2VL	Phenix City, Ala.	Central HS	
32	Wise Segars Jr.	RB	6-1	195	Fr.	HS	Sumter, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
1	Will Shipley	RB	5-11	205	Fr.	HS	Weddington, N.C.	Weddington HS	
22	Trenton Simpson	LB	6-3	230	So.	1VL	Charlotte, N.C.	Mallard Creek HS	
47	James Skalski	LB	6-0	240	^+*Sr.	5VL	Sharpsburg, Ga.	Northgate HS	Skalski (SKAL-skee)
10	Baylon Spector	LB	6-2	235	^*Sr.	3VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	Baylon (BAY-lehn)
13	Brannon Spector	WR	6-1	195	*So.	1VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	
48	Will Spiers	P	6-5	230	^+*Sr.	4VL	Cameron, S.C.	Calhoun Academy	
15	Troy Stellato	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	HS	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	Cardinal Gibbons HS	Stellato (steh-LAUGHT-oh)
39	Aidan Swanson	P/PK	6-3	180	*So.	SQ	Tampa, Fla.	IMG Academy	
81	Drew Swinney	WR	5-9	185	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
22	Will Swinney	WR	5-9	185	^+Sr.	4VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
14	Kevin Swint	DE	6-3	255	So.	1VL	Carrollton, Ga.	Carrollton HS	
74	Marcus Tate	OL	6-5	325	Fr.	HS	Sunrise, Fla.	NSU University School	
16	Will Taylor	QB/WR	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Irmo, S.C.	Ben Lippen School	
57	Paul Tchio	OL	6-5	310	So.	1VL	Milton, Ga.	Milton HS	Tchio (TEE-oh)
3	Xavier Thomas	DE	6-2	265	^Sr.	3VL	Florence, S.C.	IMG (Fla.) Academy	Xavier (ehx-ZAYV-yuhr)
16	Ray Thornton III	S	6-1	205	*So.	1VL	Columbus, Ga.	Central (Ala.) HS	
54	Jeremiah Trotter Jr.	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	HS	Hainesport, N.J.	St. Joseph's (Pa.) Preparatory School	
54	Mason Trotter	OL	6-2	285	*So.	1VL	Roebuck, S.C.	Dorman HS	
73	Bryn Tucker	OL	6-3	320	*Fr.	RS	Knoxville, Tenn.	Knoxville Catholic HS	Bryn (pronounced like "brine")
24	Nolan Turner	S	6-1	205	^+*Sr.	4VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
5	DJ Uiagalelei	QB	6-4	250	So.	1VL	Inland Empire, Calif.	St. John Bosco HS	Uiagalelei (oo-ee-ahn-gah-leh-LAY)
53	Regan Upshaw	DE	5-11	240	^+*Sr.	4VL	Bradenton, Fla.	Alonso HS	
15	Jake Venables	LB	6-2	235	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
12	Tyler Venables	S	5-10	200	So.	1VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
41	Jonathan Weitz	PK	5-11	190	*So.	SQ	Charleston, S.C.	Porter-Gaud School	Weitz (pronounced like "whites")
20	Nate Wiggins	CB	6-2	180	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga.	Westlake HS	
17	Billy Wiles	QB	6-3	215	Fr.	HS	Ashburn, Va.	Stone Bridge HS	
6	E.J. Williams	WR	6-3	195	So.	1VL	Phenix City, Ala.	Central HS	
99	Greg Williams	DE	6-4	260	*So.	1VL	Swansea, S.C.	Swansea HS	Swansea (SWAHN-see)
76	John Williams	OL	6-4	300	*Fr.	RS	Canton, Ga.	Creekview HS	
8	Tré Williams	DT	6-2	300	*Fr.	RS	Windsor, Conn.	St. John's College (D.C.) HS	
36	Lannden Zanders	S	6-1	210	Jr.	2VL	Shelby, N.C.	Crest HS	

\* - one redshirt; ^ - graduate; + - utilizing NCAA blanket waiver from 2020 season for an extra year of eligibility; Note: Classes were advanced for 2020 season players who played five or more games in the 2020 season or had previously redshirted.

## COACHES

Coach	Title(s)	Position(s)	CU Years	Alma Mater	Pronunciation
Dabo Swinney	Head Coach		*19th	Alabama '93	Dabo Swinney (DA-boh SWEE-nee)
Brent Venables	Associate Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator	Linebackers	10th	Kansas State '92	
Tony Elliott	Assistant Head Coach, Offensive Coordinator	Tight Ends	11th	Clemson '02	
Mickey Conn	Assistant Coach, Special Teams Coordinator	Safeties	5th	Alabama '93	
Brandon Streeter	Assistant Coach, Passing Game Coordinator	Quarterbacks	8th	Clemson '99	
Todd Bates	Assistant Coach, Recruiting Coordinator	Defensive Tackles	5th	Alabama '05	
Robbie Caldwell	Assistant Coach	Offensive Linemen	11th	Furman '77	
Tyler Grisham	Assistant Coach	Wide Receivers	2nd	Clemson '09	
Lemanski Hall	Assistant Coach	Defensive Ends	4th	Alabama '08	
Mike Reed	Assistant Coach	Cornerbacks	9th	Boston College '94	
C.J. Spiller	Assistant Coach	Running Backs	1st	Clemson '09	

\* - includes over five seasons (2003-08) as an assistant coach and over 12 seasons as a head coach (2008-21)

# NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown	High School or Junior College	Pronunciation
0	Barrett Carter	LB	6-1	225	Fr.	HS	Suwanee, Ga.	North Gwinnett HS	
1	Will Shipley	RB	5-11	205	Fr.	HS	Weddington, N.C.	Weddington HS	
1	Andrew Mukuba	S	6-0	185	Fr.	HS	Austin, Texas	LBJ Early College HS	Mukuba (moo-KOO-buh)
2	Frank Ladson Jr.	WR	6-3	205	Jr.	2VL	Miami, Fla.	South Dade Senior HS	
2	Fred Davis II	CB	6-0	190	So.	1VL	Jacksonville, Fla.	Trinity Christian Academy	
3	Xavier Thomas	DE	6-2	265	^Sr.	3VL	Florence, S.C.	IMG (Fla.) Academy	Xavier (ehx-ZAYV-yuhr)
3	Dacari Collins	WR	6-4	215	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga.	Westlake HS	Dacari (duh-CAR-ee)
5	DJ Uiagalelei	QB	6-4	250	So.	1VL	Inland Empire, Calif.	St. John Bosco HS	Uiagalelei (oo-ee-ahn-gah-leh-LAY)
5	K.J. Henry	DE	6-4	260	^*Jr.	3VL	Winston-Salem, N.C.	West Forsyth HS	
6	E.J. Williams	WR	6-3	195	So.	1VL	Phenix City, Ala.	Central HS	
6	Sheridan Jones	CB	6-0	185	Jr.	2VL	Norfolk, Va.	Maury HS	
7	Justin Mascoll	DE	6-4	260	*Jr.	2VL	Snellville, Ga.	South Gwinnett HS	Mascoll (MA-skohl)
7	Taisun Phommachanh	QB	6-3	225	*So.	SQ	Bridgeport, Conn.	Avon Old Farms School	Taisun Phommachanh (TY-suhn POO-muh-chahn)
8	Justyn Ross	WR	6-4	205	*Jr.	2VL	Phenix City, Ala.	Central HS	
8	Tré Williams	DT	6-2	300	*Fr.	RS	Windsor, Conn.	St. John's College (D.C.) HS	
9	R.J. Mickens	S	6-0	205	So.	1VL	Southlake, Texas	Carroll HS	
9	Jake Briningstool	TE	6-6	235	Fr.	HS	Brentwood, Tenn.	Ravenwood HS	Briningstool (BREN-ing-stool)
10	Baylon Spector	LB	6-2	235	^*Sr.	3VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	Baylon (BAY-lehn)
10	Joseph Ngata	WR	6-3	220	Jr.	2VL	Folsom, Calif.	Folsom HS	Ngata (ehn-GAHT-uh)
11	Bryan Bresee	DT	6-5	300	So.	1VL	Damascus, Md.	Damascus HS	Bresee (bru-ZEE)
11	Ajou Ajou	WR	6-3	220	So.	1VL	Brooks, Alberta	Clearwater (Fla.) Academy	Ajou (uh-JOH)
12	Tyler Venables	S	5-10	200	So.	1VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
13	Tyler Davis	DT	6-2	300	Jr.	2VL	Apopka, Fla.	Wekiva HS	
13	Brannon Spector	WR	6-1	195	*So.	1VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	
14	Kevin Swint	DE	6-3	255	So.	1VL	Carrollton, Ga.	Carrollton HS	
15	Jake Venables	LB	6-2	235	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
15	Troy Stellato	WR	6-1	195	Fr.	HS	Fort Lauderdale, Fla.	Cardinal Gibbons HS	Stellato (steh-LAUGHT-oh)
16	Ray Thornton III	S	6-1	205	*So.	1VL	Columbus, Ga.	Central (Ala.) HS	
16	Will Taylor	QB/WR	5-10	175	Fr.	HS	Irmo, S.C.	Ben Lippen School	
17	Kane Patterson	LB	6-1	230	Jr.	2VL	Brentwood, Tenn.	Christ Presbyterian Academy	
17	Billy Wiles	QB	6-3	215	Fr.	HS	Ashburn, Va.	Stone Bridge HS	
18	Joseph Charleston	S	6-0	200	Jr.	2VL	Milton, Ga.	Milton HS	
18	Hunter Helms	QB	6-2	210	*Fr.	RS	West Columbia, S.C.	Gray Collegiate Academy	
19	DeMonte Capehart	DT	6-5	310	*Fr.	RS	Hartsville, S.C.	Hartsville HS	DeMonte (deh-MAHN-tay)
19	Michel Dukes	RB	5-10	205	Jr.	2VL	Charleston, S.C.	First Baptist School	Michel (pronounced like "Michael")
20	Kobe Pace	RB	5-10	210	So.	1VL	Cedartown, Ga.	Cedartown HS	
20	Nate Wiggins	CB	6-2	180	Fr.	HS	Atlanta, Ga.	Westlake HS	
21	Malcolm Greene	CB	5-10	190	So.	1VL	Richmond, Va.	Highland Springs HS	
21	Darien Rencher	RB	5-8	195	^+*Sr.	3VL	Anderson, S.C.	T.L. Hanna HS	
22	Trenton Simpson	LB	6-3	230	So.	1VL	Charlotte, N.C.	Mallard Creek HS	
22	Will Swinney	WR	5-9	185	^+Sr.	4VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
23	Lyn-J Dixon	RB	5-10	195	Sr.	3VL	Butler, Ga.	Taylor County HS	
23	Andrew Booth Jr.	CB	6-0	200	Jr.	2VL	Dacula, Ga.	Archer HS	Dacula (duh-COO-luh)
24	Nolan Turner	S	6-1	205	^+*Sr.	4VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
24	Hamp Greene	WR	5-9	180	*So.	SQ	Birmingham, Ala.	Mountain Brook HS	
25	Jalyn Phillips	S	6-1	205	Jr.	2VL	Lawrenceville, Ga.	Archer HS	
25	Blackmon Huckabee Jr.	WR	5-11	185	*Fr.	TR	Clover, S.C.	Clover HS	
26	Phil Mafah	RB	6-1	225	Fr.	HS	Loganville, Ga.	Grayson HS	Mafah (MAH-fuh)
26	Jack McCall	CB	5-11	195	^*Sr.	SQ	Mount Pleasant, S.C.	Wando HS	
27	Carson Donnelly	S	5-11	195	^*Jr.	2VL	Birmingham, Ala.	Briarwood Christian School	
29	B.T. Potter	PK	5-10	190	Sr.	3VL	Rock Hill, S.C.	South Pointe HS	
29	Michael Becker	S	6-0	200	*Jr.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
30	Keith Maguire	LB	6-2	230	*So.	1VL	Media, Pa.	Malvern Preparatory School	
31	Mario Goodrich	CB	6-0	190	Sr.	3VL	Kansas City, Mo.	Lee's Summit West HS	
31	Tristen Rigby	RB	5-10	200	Fr.	HS	St. Gabriel, La.	Episcopal School of Baton Rouge	
32	Etinosa Reuben	DT	6-3	285	*So.	1VL	Kansas City, Mo.	Park Hill South HS	Etinosa (eh-tee-OH-sah)
32	Wise Segars Jr.	RB	6-1	195	Fr.	HS	Sumter, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
33	Ruke Orhorhoro	DT	6-4	295	*So.	1VL	Lagos, Nigeria	River Rouge (Mich.) HS	Orhorhoro (oh-ROH-roh-roh)
33	Ty Lucas	LS	5-7	225	*Jr.	1VL	Columbus, Ga.	Chattahoochee County HS	
34	Kevin McNeal	RB	5-9	195	Fr.	HS	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	Tuscaloosa Academy	
34	Armon Mason	DE	6-2	210	Fr.	HS	Richmond Hill, Ga.	Richmond Hill HS	Armon (ahr-MAHN)
35	Justin Foster	DE	6-3	275	^*Sr.	3VL	Shelby, N.C.	Crest HS	
36	Lannden Zanders	S	6-1	210	Jr.	2VL	Shelby, N.C.	Crest HS	
36	Quinn Castner	PK	5-5	145	*Fr.	RS	Fort Mill, S.C.	Nation Ford HS	
37	Jacob Hendricks	LB	5-7	180	Fr.	HS	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
38	Peter Nearn	S	6-2	195	Fr.	HS	Memphis, Tenn.	Evangelical Christian School	
39	Aidan Swanson	P/PK	6-3	180	*So.	SQ	Tampa, Fla.	IMG Academy	
39	Bubba McAtee	S	6-3	200	*Fr.	RS	Central, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	McAtee (MACK-uh-tee)
40	Luke Price	TE	6-2	235	^*Sr.	1VL	Dillon, S.C.	Dillon Christian School	
40	Elijah Rodgers	CB	6-1	185	*Jr.	TR	Gaffney, S.C.	Blacksburg HS	
41	Jonathan Weitz	PK	5-11	190	*So.	SQ	Charleston, S.C.	Porter-Gaud School	Weitz (pronounced like "whites")
41	Andrew Roberts	DE	6-4	225	*Jr.	SQ	Conway, S.C.	Aynor HS	
42	LaVonta Bentley	LB	6-0	235	*So.	1VL	Birmingham, Ala.	P.D. Jackson-Olin HS	LaVonta (luh-VAHN-tay)
43	Will Blackston	TE	6-1	250	*Fr.	RS	Honea Path, S.C.	Belton-Honea Path HS	Honea (HUH-nee-uh)
43	Riggs Faulkenberry	LB	6-1	205	Fr.	HS	Greenville, S.C.	Greenville Senior HS	
44	Cade Denhoff	DE	6-5	250	Fr.	HS	Plant City, Fla.	Lakeland Christian School	Denhoff (DEN-hoff)
44	Banks Pope	TE	6-4	250	Fr.	HS	Columbia, S.C.	A.C. Flora HS	
45	Sergio Allen	LB	6-1	230	So.	SQ	Fort Valley, Ga.	Peach County HS	
45	Philip Florenzo	LS	6-2	240	*Fr.	HS	Towson, Md.	Loyola Blakefield Preparatory School	
46	Jack Maddox	LS	6-3	235	^*Sr.	2VL	Acton, Mass.	Acton-Boxborough Regional HS	
46	Matt McMahan	LB	6-0	225	*So.	SQ	Denver, N.C.	North Lincoln HS	McMahan (MAK-muh-han)
47	James Skalski	LB	6-0	240	^+*Sr.	5VL	Sharpsburg, Ga.	Northgate HS	Skalski (SKAL-skee)
47	Hogan Morton	PK	5-9	160	Fr.	HS	Birmingham, Ala.	Oak Mountain HS	
48	Will Spiers	P	6-5	230	^+*Sr.	4VL	Cameron, S.C.	Calhoun Academy	



# NUMERICAL ROSTER (CONT.)

#	Player	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Cl.	Exp.	Hometown	High School or Junior College	Pronunciation
48	David Cote	LB	5-11	215	*So.	SQ	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	Cote (COHT-ee)
49	Matthew Maloney	LB	6-0	210	*So.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
51	Colby Doolittle	LB	6-2	225	Fr.	HS	Newberry, S.C.	Mid-Carolina HS	
52	Tayquon Johnson	OG	6-2	340	*So.	1VL	Williamsport, Md.	Williamsport HS	
52	Joey Eddis	LB	5-11	200	*Fr.	HS	Lawrence, Kan.	Lawrence Free State HS	
53	Regan Upshaw	DE	5-11	240	^+*Sr.	4VL	Bradenton, Fla.	Alonso HS	
53	Ryan Linthicum	C	6-3	300	Fr.	HS	Damascus, Md.	Damascus HS	
54	Jeremiah Trotter Jr.	LB	6-0	225	Fr.	HS	Hainesport, N.J.	St. Joseph's (Pa.) Preparatory School	
54	Mason Trotter	OL	6-2	285	*So.	1VL	Roebuck, S.C.	Dorman HS	
55	Payton Page	DT	6-4	335	Fr.	HS	Greensboro, N.C.	Dudley HS	
55	Hunter Rayburn	OL	6-4	320	*So.	1VL	Pensacola, Fla.	Pensacola HS	
56	Will Putnam	OG	6-4	305	Jr.	2VL	Tampa, Fla.	Plant HS	
56	Reed Morrissey	LB	6-0	200	Fr.	HS	Greenville, S.C.	Wren HS	
57	Paul Tchio	OL	6-5	310	So.	1VL	Milton, Ga.	Milton HS	Tchio (TEE-oh)
58	Holden Caspersen	LS	5-11	210	Fr.	HS	Roswell, Ga.	Roswell HS	
58	Evan McCutchen	DE	6-2	235	*Fr.	HS	Hampton, S.C.	Wade Hampton HS	
59	Jabriel Robinson	DE	6-4	260	^*Sr.	TR	Bluffton, S.C.	Bluffton HS	
59	Dietrick Pennington	OL	6-5	335	HS	HS	Memphis, Tenn.	Evangelical Christian School	Dietrick (DEE-trick)
60	Mac Cranford	OL	6-0	285	*So.	SQ	Hartsville, S.C.	Hartsville HS	
62	Connor Graham	OL	6-2	285	*Fr.	HS	Powdersville, S.C.	Powdersville HS	
64	Walker Parks	OL	6-5	300	So.	1VL	Lexington, Ky.	Frederick Douglass HS	
65	Matt Bockhorst	OL	6-4	315	^*Sr.	3VL	Cincinnati, Ohio	St. Xavier HS	
67	Nathan Brooks	OL	6-5	280	Fr.	HS	Fort Mill, S.C.	Fort Mill HS	
68	Will Boggs	OL	6-3	285	*Fr.	RS	York, S.C.	York Comprehensive HS	
69	Jacob Edwards	OL	6-2	295	^*Sr.	1VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
70	Tristan Leigh	OL	6-6	315	Fr.	HS	Fairfax, Va.	James W. Robinson Secondary School	
71	Jordan McFadden	OT	6-2	310	*Jr.	2VL	Spartanburg, S.C.	Dorman HS	
73	Bryn Tucker	OL	6-3	320	*Fr.	RS	Knoxville, Tenn.	Knoxville Catholic HS	Bryn (pronounced like "brine")
74	Marcus Tate	OL	6-5	325	Fr.	HS	Sunrise, Fla.	NSU University School	
75	Trent Howard	OL	6-3	290	*Fr.	RS	Birmingham, Ala.	Briarwood Christian School	
76	John Williams	OL	6-4	300	*Fr.	RS	Canton, Ga.	Creekview HS	
77	Mitchell Mayes	OL	6-3	310	So.	1VL	Raleigh, N.C.	Leesville Road HS	
80	Beaux Collins	WR	6-3	205	Fr.	HS	Los Angeles, Calif.	St. John Bosco HS	Beaux (pronounced like "Bo")
81	Drew Swinney	WR	5-9	185	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
82	Will Brown	WR	5-8	190	^*Sr.	2VL	Boiling Springs, S.C.	Boiling Springs HS	
82	Jackson Crosby	WR	5-10	180	Fr.	HS	Six Mile, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
83	Hampton Earle	WR	5-10	190	*So.	SQ	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
84	Davis Allen	TE	6-6	250	Jr.	2VL	Calhoun, Ga.	Calhoun HS	
85	Jaelyn Lay	TE	6-6	265	*So.	1VL	Atlanta, Ga.	Riverdale HS	
86	Tye Herbstreit	WR	5-11	170	*So.	SQ	Nashville, Tenn.	Montgomery Bell Academy	
87	Sage Ennis	TE	6-4	240	*Fr.	RS	Graceville, Fla.	Lincoln HS	
88	Braden Galloway	TE	6-4	245	Sr.	3VL	Anderson, S.C.	Seneca HS	
89	Max May	WR	6-1	200	*Jr.	2VL	Clemson, S.C.	D.W. Daniel HS	
89	Zach Jackson	WR	6-3	200	Fr.	HS	Acworth, Ga.	Allatoona HS	
90	Darnell Jefferies	DT	6-2	290	*Jr.	2VL	Covington, Ga.	Newton HS	
91	Zaire Patterson	DE	6-5	250	Fr.	HS	Winston-Salem, N.C.	Winston-Salem Preparatory Academy	
92	Klayton Randolph	DE	6-2	260	*Jr.	SQ	Gaffney, S.C.	Gaffney HS	
95	James Edwards	DT	6-2	295	^*Sr.	1VL	Vestavia Hills, Ala.	Vestavia Hills HS	
97	Nick Eddis	DT	5-11	275	*Sr.	SQ	Lawrence, Kan.	Lawrence Free State HS	
98	Myles Murphy	DE	6-5	275	So.	1VL	Marietta, Ga.	Hillgrove HS	
99	Greg Williams	DE	6-4	260	*So.	1VL	Swansea, S.C.	Swansea HS	Swansea (SWAHN-see)

\* - one redshirt; ^ - graduate; + - utilizing NCAA blanket waiver from 2020 season for an extra year of eligibility; Note: Classes were advanced for 2020 season players who played five or more games in the 2020 season or had previously redshirted.

## COACHES

Coach	Title(s)	Position(s)	CU Years	Alma Mater	Pronunciation
Dabo Swinney	Head Coach		*19th	Alabama '93	Dabo Swinney (DA-boh SWEE-nee)
Brent Venables	Associate Head Coach, Defensive Coordinator	Linebackers	10th	Kansas State '92	
Tony Elliott	Assistant Head Coach, Offensive Coordinator	Tight Ends	11th	Clemson '02	
Mickey Conn	Assistant Coach, Special Teams Coordinator	Safeties	5th	Alabama '93	
Brandon Streeter	Assistant Coach, Passing Game Coordinator	Quarterbacks	8th	Clemson '99	
Todd Bates	Assistant Coach, Recruiting Coordinator	Defensive Tackles	5th	Alabama '05	
Robbie Caldwell	Assistant Coach	Offensive Linemen	11th	Furman '77	
Tyler Grisham	Assistant Coach	Wide Receivers	2nd	Clemson '09	
Lemanski Hall	Assistant Coach	Defensive Ends	4th	Alabama '08	
Mike Reed	Assistant Coach	Cornerbacks	9th	Boston College '94	
C.J. Spiller	Assistant Coach	Running Backs	1st	Clemson '09	

\* - includes over five seasons (2003-08) as an assistant coach and over 12 seasons as a head coach (2008-21)

# HOW THE 2021 TIGERS WERE BUILT

## Joined Clemson in 2016

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
RB Darien Rencher (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes
LB James Skalski (*Sr.)	Signee	Yes
P Will Spiers (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes
S Nolan Turner (*Sr.)	Signee	Yes
DE Regan Upshaw (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes

## Joined Clemson in 2017

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
OG Matt Bockhorst (*Sr.)	Signee	Yes
WR Will Brown (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes
OL Jacob Edwards (*Sr.)	Walk-On	1/2
DT James Edwards (*Sr.)	Walk-On	1/2
DE Justin Foster (*Sr.)	Signee	Yes
LS Jack Maddox (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes
CB Jack McCall (*Sr.)	Walk-On	No
TE Luke Price (*Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes
LB Baylon Spector (*Sr.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Will Swinney (+Sr.)	Walk-On	Yes

## Joined Clemson in 2018

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
S Michael Becker (*Jr.)	Walk-On	No
RB Lyn-J Dixon (Sr.)	Signee	Yes
S Carson Donnelly (*Jr.)	Walk-On	Yes
TE Braden Galloway (Sr.) #	Signee	Yes
CB Mario Goodrich (Sr.)	Signee	Yes
DE K.J. Henry (*Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
DT Darnell Jefferies (*Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
LS Ty Lucas (*Jr.)	Walk-On	No
DE Justin Mascoll (*Jr.)	Signee	Yes
WR Max May (*Jr.)	Walk-On	Yes
OT Jordan McFadden (*Jr.)	Signee	Yes
PK B.T. Potter (Sr.)	Signee	Yes
WR Justyn Ross (*Jr.)	Signee	Yes
WR Drew Swinney (*Jr.)	Walk-On	Yes
DE Xavier Thomas (Sr.) #	Signee	Yes
LB Jake Venables (*Jr.)	Signee	Yes

## Joined Clemson in 2019

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
TE Davis Allen (Jr.)	Signee	Yes
LB LaVonta Bentley (*So.)	Signee	Yes
CB Andrew Booth Jr. (Jr.)	Signee	Yes
S Joseph Charleston (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
LB David Cote (*So.)	Walk-On	No
OL Mac Cranford (*So.)	Walk-On	No
DT Tyler Davis (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
RB Michel Dukes (Jr.)	Signee	Yes
WR Hampton Earle (*So.)	Walk-On	No
DT Nick Eddis (*Sr.)	Transfer	No
WR Hamp Greene (*So.)	Walk-On	No
WR Tye Herbstreit (*So.)	Walk-On	No
OL Tayquon Johnson (*So.)	Signee	Yes
CB Sheridan Jones (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Frank Ladson Jr. (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
TE Jaelyn Lay (*So.)	Signee	Yes
LB Keith Maguire (*So.)	Signee	Yes
LB Matthew Maloney (*So.)	Walk-On	No
LB Matt McMahan (*So.)	Walk-On	No
WR Joseph Ngata (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
DT Ruke Orhoro (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
LB Kane Patterson (Jr.)	Signee	Yes
DB Jalyn Phillips (Jr.)	Signee	Yes
QB Taisun Phommachanh (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Will Putnam (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes
DE Klayton Randolph (*Jr.)	Walk-On	No
OL Hunter Rayburn (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
DT Etinosau Reuben (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Brannon Spector (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
P/PK Aidan Swanson (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
S Ray Thornton III (*So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Mason Trotter (*So.)	Signee	Yes
PK Jonathan Weitz (*So.)	Walk-On	No
DE Greg Williams (*So.)	Signee	Yes
S Lannan Zanders (Jr.) #	Signee	Yes

\* - redshirt (see note)

# - January enrollee

☞ - Graduate

## Joined Clemson in 2020

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
WR Ajou Ajou (So.)	Signee	Yes
LB Sergio Allen (So.) #	Signee	Yes
TE Will Blackston (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
OL Will Boggs (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
DL Bryan Bresee (So.) #	Signee	Yes
DL DeMonte Capehart (*Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
PK Quinn Castner (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
CB Fred Davis II (So.) #	Signee	Yes
TE Sage Ennis (*Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
CB Malcolm Greene (So.)	Signee	Yes
QB Hunter Helms (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
OL Trent Howard (*Fr.)	Signee	Yes
OL Mitchell Mayes (So.) #	Signee	Yes
S Bubba McAttee (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
S R.J. Mickens (So.) #	Signee	Yes
DE Myles Murphy (So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Walker Parks (So.)	Signee	Yes
RB Kobe Pace (So.)	Signee	Yes
DE Andrew Roberts (*Jr.)	Walk-On	No
LB Trenton Simpson (So.) #	Signee	Yes
LB Kevin Swint (So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Paul Tchio (So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Bryn Tucker (*Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
QB DJ Uiagalelei (So.) #	Signee	Yes
S Tyler Venables (So.) #	Signee	Yes
OL John Williams (So.)	Signee	Yes
DL Tré Williams (So.)	Signee	Yes
WR E.J. Williams (So.) #	Signee	Yes

## Joined Clemson in 2021

Player (Class)	How	Scholarship
TE Jake Briningstool (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
OL Nathan Brooks (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
S Barrett Carter (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
LS Holden Caspersen (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
WR Dacari Collins (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Beaux Collins (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Jackson Crosby (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
DE Cade Denhoff (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
LB Colby Doolittle (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
LB Joey Eddis (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
LB Riggs Faulkenberry (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
LS Philip Florenzo (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
OL Connor Graham (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
LB Jacob Hendricks (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
WR Blackmon Huckabee Jr. (*Fr.)	Transfer	No
WR Zach Jackson (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
OT Tristan Leigh (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
OL Ryan Linthicum (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
RB Phil Mafah (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
DE Armon Mason (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
DE Evan McCutchen (*Fr.)	Walk-On	No
RB Kevin McNeal (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
LB Reed Morrissey (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
PK Hogan Morton (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
S Andrew Mukuba (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
S Peter Nearn (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
DT Payton Page (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
DE Zaire Patterson (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
OL Dietrick Pennington (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
TE Banks Pope (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
RB Tristen Rigby (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
DE Jabriel Robinson (*Sr.) ☞	Transfer	No
CB Elijah Rodgers (*Jr.)	Transfer	No
RB Wise Segars Jr. (Fr.)	Walk-On	No
RB Will Shipley (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
WR Troy Stellato (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
OL Marcus Tate (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
QB Will Taylor (Fr.)	Signee	Yes
LB Jeremiah Trotter Jr. (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
CB Nate Wiggins (Fr.) #	Signee	Yes
QB Billy Wiles (Fr.)	Walk-On	No

**\*\*Note:** For listing purposes, Clemson chose to progress classes as though 2020 was a normal year of eligibility. For example, players listed as redshirt freshmen in 2021 did not officially redshirt in 2020, but would have qualified for one in a normal year. Clemson will denote extra years of eligibility on the back end of players' careers (i.e.: "Super Seniors" in 2021 are listed with the "+Sr." designation).

## CLEMSON ROSTER CONSTRUCTION

### BY CLASS

(See note at bottom of center column)

Freshmen	34
Redshirt Freshmen	16
Sophomores	16
Redshirt Sophomores	21
Juniors	12
Redshirt Juniors	14
Seniors	5
Redshirt Seniors	11
"Super Seniors" (Fifth Year)	1
"Super Seniors" (Sixth Year)	5

### BY SCHOLARSHIP STATUS

Scholarship	92
Walk-On	43

### BY MEANS OF ARRIVAL

Signee	81
Walk-On	50
Transfer*	4

\* all transfers are walk-ons;  
includes transfers with associate's degrees

### BY GRADUATE STATUS

Graduates	19
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### BY YEAR OF ARRIVAL

2016	5
2017	10
2018	16
2019	35
2020	28
2021	41

### BY HOME STATE

South Carolina	45
Georgia	26
Alabama	11
Florida	11
North Carolina	9
Tennessee	6
Maryland	4
Virginia	4
California	3
Connecticut	2
Kansas	2
Missouri	2
Texas	2
Kentucky	1
Louisiana	1
Massachusetts	1
New Jersey	1
Ohio	1
Pennsylvania	1

### BY HOME PROVINCE/COUNTRY

Alberta (Canada)	1
Lagos (Nigeria)	1

**Hometown Notes:** WR Ajou Ajou is from Brooks, Alberta but finished his prep career in Clearwater, Fla.; DL Ruke Orhoro is from Lagos, Nigeria but finished his prep career in River Rouge, Mich.; DE Xavier Thomas is from Florence, S.C. but finished his prep career at Florida's IMG Academy; S Ray Thornton III is from Columbus, Ga. but finished his prep career in Central, Ala.; LB Jeremiah Trotter Jr. is from Hainesport, N.J. but played his prep career in Philadelphia, Pa.; DL Tré Williams is from Windsor, Conn. but finished his prep career in Washington, D.C.

# 2021 OVERALL STATS

1-1 OVERALL, 0-0 ACC, 1-0 HOME, 0-0 AWAY, 0-1 NEUTRAL, 1-0 DAY, 0-1 NIGHT, 0-0 OVERTIME

## TEAM STATS

	CU	Opp.
<b>SCORING</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>13</b>
Points Per Game	26	6.5
Points Off Turnovers	0	10
<b>FIRST DOWNS</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>24</b>
Rushing	15	10
Passing	20	12
Penalty	5	2
<b>RUSHING YARDAGE</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>224</b>
Yards gained rushing	295	256
Yards lost rushing	51	32
Rushing Attempts	59	65
Average Per Rush	4.1	3.4
Average Per Game	122	112
TDs Rushing	5	0
<b>PASSING YARDAGE</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>267</b>
Comp-Att-Int	42-76-3	32-57-2
Average Per Pass	5.8	4.7
Average Per Catch	10.5	8.3
Average Per Game	220	133.5
TDs Passing	2	0
<b>TOTAL OFFENSE</b>	<b>684</b>	<b>491</b>
Total Plays	135	122
Average Per Play	5.1	4.0
Average Per Game	342	245.5
<b>KICK RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>3-65</b>	<b>1-25</b>
<b>PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>4-51</b>	<b>3-18</b>
<b>INT RETURNS: #-Yards</b>	<b>2-40</b>	<b>3-74</b>
<b>KICK RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>21.7</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>PUNT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>12.8</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>INT RETURN AVERAGE</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>24.7</b>
<b>FUMBLES-LOST</b>	<b>7-1</b>	<b>2-1</b>
<b>PENALTIES-Yards</b>	<b>12-94</b>	<b>20-164</b>
Average Per Game	47.0	82.0
<b>PUNTS-Yards</b>	<b>11-462</b>	<b>16-666</b>
Average Per Punt	42.0	41.6
Net punt average	38.5	35.9
<b>KICKOFFS-Yards</b>	<b>10-600</b>	<b>5-300</b>
Average Per Kick	60.0	60.0
Net kick average	40.0	37.0
<b>TIME OF POSSESSION/Game</b>	<b>27:20</b>	<b>32:40</b>
<b>3RD-DOWN Conversions</b>	<b>13/29</b>	<b>9/31</b>
3rd-Down Pct	45%	29%
<b>4TH-DOWN Conversions</b>	<b>0/1</b>	<b>1/2</b>
4th-Down Pct	0%	50%
<b>SACKS BY-Yards</b>	<b>2-10</b>	<b>7-46</b>
<b>MISC YARDS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>TOUCHDOWNS SCORED</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>1-2</b>	<b>2-3</b>
<b>ON-SIDE KICKS</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>0-0</b>
<b>RED-ZONE SCORES</b>	<b>(8-8) 100%</b>	<b>(2-5) 40%</b>
<b>RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS</b>	<b>(7-8) 88%</b>	<b>(0-5) 0%</b>
<b>PAT-ATTEMPTS</b>	<b>(7-7) 100%</b>	<b>(1-1) 100%</b>
<b>ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>152796</b>	<b>0</b>
Games/Avg Per Game	2/152796	0
Neutral Site Games		1/74187

## SCORING BY QUARTERS

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	Total
CLEMSON	28	7	14	3	0	52
Opponents	0	10	3	0	0	13

## OFFENSIVE STATS

#	RUSHING	G	Car	Gain	Loss	Net	Y/C	TD	LG	Y/G
1	Will Shipley	2	12	87	0	87	7.3	2	30	43.5
20	Kobe Pace	2	11	75	0	75	6.8	1	28	37.5
23	Lyn-J Dixon	2	5	37	0	37	7.4	0	16	18.5
16	Will Taylor	2	5	23	3	20	4.6	0	12	10.0
21	Darien Rencher	2	4	14	0	14	3.5	0	7	7.0
19	Michel Dukes	1	2	7	0	7	3.5	0	5	7.0
11	Taisun Phommachanh	1	1	3	0	3	3	0	3	3.0
5	D.J. Uiagalelei	2	19	49	48	1	0.05	2	9	0.5
CLEMSON		2	59	295	51	244	4.1	5	30	122.0
Opponents		2	65	256	32	224	3.9	0	23	112.0
#	PASSING	G	Eff	Cm-Att-I	Cm%	Yds	TD	LG	Y/G	
5	D.J. Uiagalelei	2	101.01	33-61-2	54.1	349	1	44	174.5	
11	Taisun Phommachanh	1	146.00	7-10-1	70.0	75	1	23	75.0	
18	Hunter Helms	1	66.88	2-5-0	40.0	16	0	12	16.0	
CLEMSON		2	104.68	42-76-3	55.3	440	2	44	220.0	
Opponents		2	88.47	32-57-2	56.1	267	0	39	133.5	
#	RECEIVING	G	Rec	Yards	Y/Rec	TD	LG	Y/G		
10	Joseph Ngata	2	9	161	17.9	0	44	80.5		
8	Justyn Ross	2	7	78	11.1	1	38	39.0		
84	Davis Allen	2	4	32	8.0	0	22	16.0		
88	Braden Galloway	1	3	13	4.3	0	6	13.0		
80	Beaux Collins	1	3	36	12.0	0	23	36.0		
3	Dacari Collins	1	2	18	9.0	0	12	18.0		
11	Ajou Ajou	2	2	16	8.0	0	8	8.0		
2	Frank Ladson Jr.	2	2	15	7.5	0	11	7.5		
22	Will Swinney	2	2	11	5.5	0	6	5.5		
6	E.J. Williams	2	2	10	5.0	0	10	5.0		
23	Lyn-J Dixon	2	1	14	14.0	1	14	7.0		
1	Will Shipley	2	1	11	11.0	0	11	5.5		
20	Kobe Pace	2	1	6	6.0	0	6	3.0		
81	Drew Swinney	1	1	4	4.0	0	4	4.0		
19	Michel Dukes	1	1	3	3.0	0	3	3.0		
CLEMSON		2	42	440	10.5	2	44	220.0		
Opponents		1	32	267	8.3	0	39	133.5		
#	TOTAL OFFENSE	G	PL	Rush	Pass	Total	Y/G			
5	D.J. Uiagalelei	2	80	1	349	350	175.0			
1	Will Shipley	2	12	87	0	87	43.5			
7	Taisun Phommachanh	1	11	3	75	78	78.0			
20	Kobe Pace	2	11	75	0	75	37.5			
23	Lyn-J Dixon	2	5	37	0	37	18.5			
16	Will Taylor	2	5	20	0	20	10.0			
18	Hunter Helms	1	4	0	16	16	16.0			
21	Darien Rencher	2	4	14	0	14	7.0			
19	Michel Dukes	1	2	7	0	7	7.0			
CLEMSON		2	135	244	440	684	342.0			
Opponents		2	122	224	267	491	245.5			
#	ALL-PURPOSE	G	Rush	Rec	PR	KOR	IR	FGR	Total	Y/G
1	Will Shipley	2	87	11	0	65	0	0	163	81.5
10	Joseph Ngata	2	0	161	0	0	0	0	161	80.5
20	Kobe Pace	2	75	6	0	0	0	0	81	40.5
8	Justyn Ross	2	0	78	0	0	0	0	78	39.0
16	Will Taylor	2	20	0	53	0	0	0	73	36.5
23	Lyn-J Dixon	2	37	0	0	0	0	0	51	25.5
9	R.J. Mickens	2	0	0	0	0	37	0	37	18.5
80	Beaux Collins	1	0	36	0	0	0	0	36	36.0
84	Davis Allen	2	0	32	0	0	0	0	32	16.0
3	Dacari Collins	1	0	18	0	0	0	0	18	18.0
11	Ajou Ajou	2	0	16	0	0	0	0	16	8.0
2	Frank Ladson Jr.	2	0	15	0	0	0	0	15	7.5
21	Darien Rencher	2	14	0	0	0	0	0	14	7.0
88	Braden Galloway	2	0	13	0	0	0	0	13	6.5
15	Troy Stellato	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	12.0
22	Will Swinney	2	0	11	0	0	0	0	11	5.5
19	Michel Dukes	1	7	3	0	0	0	0	10	10.0
6	E.J. Williams	2	0	10	0	0	0	0	10	5.0
81	Drew Swinney	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	4.0
7	Taisun Phommachanh	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3.0
5	D.J. Uiagalelei	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.5
82	Will Brown	1	0	0	-2	0	0	0	-2	-2.0
CLEMSON		2	244	440	51	65	37	0	837	418.5
Opponents		1	121	135	14	269	74	0	608	304.0



# 2021 DEFENSE/SPECIAL TEAMS STATS

## DEFENSIVE STATS

#	TACKLES	G-S	Snap	Hit	Ast	Total	TFL	Sacks	PBU	QP	^ST
47	James Skalski	2-2	91	11	9	20	1-2			3	
31	Mario Goodrich	2-2	69	9	4	13					1
10	Baylon Spector	2-2	75	5	7	12			1		1
11	Bryan Bresee	2-2	64	5	4	9	1-3			1	
33	Ruke Orhorhoro	2-1	66	7	2	9	2.5-8				
1	Andrew Mukuba	2-2	74	5	3	8				2	
25	Jalyn Phillips	2-2	55	2	6	8				1	
18	Joseph Charleston	2-0	55	4	2	6					
23	Andrew Booth Jr.	2-2	70	4	1	5	1-3		1		
45	Sergio Allen	2-0	13	3	2	5					2
54	Jeremiah Trotter Jr.	1-0	13	5	0	5	1-2	1-2			
98	Myles Murphy	2-2	55	2	2	4	1.5-9	1-8		1	
0	Barrett Carter	2-0	13	1	3	4					1
14	Kevin Swint	1-0	24	3	1	4	3-4				
7	Justin Mascoll	2-0	33	2	1	3					
22	Trenton Simpson	2-2	82	2	1	3				3	
3	Xavier Thomas	2-2	51	2	1	3			1	3	
21	Malcolm Greene	2-0	33	1	2	3					
5	K.J. Henry	2-0	33	0	3	3				1	
6	Sheridan Jones	2-0	45	3	0	3					
12	Tyler Venables	2-0	25	3	0	3					
53	Regan Upshaw	1-0	21	0	3	3	.5-0				
36	Lannden Zanders	1-0	5	2	0	2					
42	LaVonta Bentley	2-0	18	2	0	2					
8	Tré Williams	2-0	37	2	0	2				2	
2	Fred Davis II	1-0	33	2	0	2	.5-1				
32	Etinosa Reuben	1-0	14	2	0	2	1-2			2	
20	Nate Wiggins	1-0	25	1	1	2					
99	Greg Williams	1-0	11	1	2	2					
9	R.J. Mickens	1-0	28	0	2	2			1		
84	Davis Allen	1-0	---	1	0	1					1
35	Justin Foster	1-0	23	0	1	1					
30	Keith Maguire	2-0	18	0	1	1			1		
55	Payton Page	2-0	14	0	1	1					
27	Carson Donnelly	1-0	8	1	0	1					
95	James Edwards	1-0	2	1	0	1					
13	Tyler Davis	1-1	20	0	1	1					
15	Jake Venables	1-0	4	0	1	1					
90	Darnell Jefferies	2-0	17	0	0	0					
17	Kane Patterson	2-0	16	0	0	0					
19	DeMonte Capehart	1-0	4	0	0	0					
59	Jabriel Robinson	1-0	1	0	0	0					
16	Ray Thornton III	1-0	19	0	0	0					
Totals				94	66	160	13-36	2-10	8	17	

Caused Fumbles (1): Bentley (1)

Recovered Fumbles (1): Maddox (1)

^ - special teams tackles; Note: Special teams tackles and tackles after turnovers are included in tackle totals; tackle totals are from coaches film grade.

#	INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
10	Baylon Spector	1	3	3	0	3
9	R.J. Mickens	1	37	37	0	37
CLEMSON		2	40	20	0	37
Opponents		3	74	24.7	1	74

## SPECIAL TEAMS & MISCELLANEOUS STATS

#	PUNTING	P	Yards	Y/P	LG	TB	FC	-20	50+	HB
48	Will Spiers	9	378	42.0	51	1	4	3	2	0
39	Aidan Swanson	2	84	42.0	42	0	0	0	0	0
CLEMSON		8	462	42.0	51	1	4	3	2	0
Opponents		16	666	41.6	51	2	5	7	2	0

  

#	FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA	Pct	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	LG	HB
29	B.T. Potter	1-2	50.0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	22	0
CLEMSON		1-2	50.0	1-1	0-0	0-0	0-1	22	0
Opponents		2-3	67.0	2-2	0-1	0-0	0-0	27	0

  

#	KICKOFFS	KO	Yds	Avg	TB	OB
29	B.T. Potter	7	455	65	6	0
39	Aidan Swanson	2	105	52.5	1	0
41	Jonathan Weitz	1	40	40.0	0	
CLEMSON		10	600	60.0	7	0
Opponents		5	300	60.0	2	0

  

#	PUNT RETURNS	PR	Yards	Avg	TD	LG
16	Will Taylor	3	53	17.7	0	51
82	Will Brown	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
CLEMSON		4	51	12.8	0	51
Opponents		3	18	6.0	0	7

  

#	KICKOFF RETURNS	KOR	Yards	Avg	TD	LG
1	Will Shipley	3	65	21.7	0	28
CLEMSON		3	65	21.7	0	28
Opponents		1	25	25	0	25

  

#	FUMBLE RETURNS	FR	Yards	Avg	TD	LG
None		-	-	-	-	-
CLEMSON		-	-	-	-	-
Opponents		-	-	-	-	-

  

#	SCORING	TD	FGs	Kick	Rush	Rcv	Pass	DXP	Saf	Pts
1	Will Shipley	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
5	D.J. Uiagalelei	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	12
29	B.T. Potter	0	1-2	7-7	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	10
8	Justyn Ross	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
23	Lyn-J Dixon	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
20	Kobe Pace	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	6
CLEMSON		7	1-2	7-7	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	52
Opponents		1	2-3	1-1	0-0	0	0-0	0	0	13

## SCOREBOARD

Date	Site	W-L	Score	Opponent (AP,USA)	Attendance	CU AP,USA	Leading Rusher(s)	Leading Passer(s)	Leading Receiver(s)	Leading Tackler(s)
9/4	^N	L	3-10	Georgia (5,5)	74,187	3,2	Dixon (1-10)	Uiagalelei (19-37-178)	Ngata (6-110)	Skalski (14)
9/11	H	W	49-3	South Carolina State	78,609	6,6	Shipley (8-80)	Uiagalelei (14-24-171)	Ross (3-52)	Orhorhoro (6)
9/18	H			* Georgia Tech						
9/25	A			* NC State						
10/2	H			* Boston College						
10/15	A			* Syracuse						
10/23	A			* Pitt						
10/30	H			* Florida State						
11/6	A			* Louisville						
11/13	H			UConn						
11/20	H			* Wake Forest						
11/27	A			South Carolina						

\* - ACC game; ^ - night game; Note: **Bold** denotes a Clemson home game; home attendance - 78,609 (78,609 per game); total (home, away, neutral) attendance - 152,796 (76,398 per game).

# 2021 TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATS

Category	UGA	SCS	GT	NCST	BC	SYR	PITT	FSU	LOU	CON	WF	USC	Totals
Points	3	49											52
	10	3											13
Total Offense	180	504											684
	256	235											491
Plays	60	75											135
	61	61											122
Yards Per Play	3.0	6.7											5.1
	4.2	3.9											4.02
Rushing Yards	2	242											244
	121	103											224
Carries	23	36											59
	31	34											65
Passing Yards	178	262											440
	135	132											267
Completions	19	23											42
	22	10											32
Passing Attempts	37	39											76
	30	27											57
Had Intercepted	1	2											3
	1	1											2
Completion Percentage	51.4	58.9											55.3
	73.3	37.0											56.1
Passing Efficiency	86.36	122.07											104.68
	104.47	70.70											88.47
First Downs	14	26											40
	15	9											24
Total Touchdowns	0	7											7
	1	0											1
Rushing Touchdowns	0	5											5
	0	0											0
Passing Touchdowns	0	2											0
	0	0											0
Field Goals	1-1	0-1											1-2
	1-2	1-1											2-3
Punting	8-331	3-131											11-462
	5-217	11-449											16-664
Punting Average	41.4	43.7											42.0
	43.4	40.8											41.6
Net Punting Average	37.1	42.3											38.5
	43.4	32.5											35.9
Time of Possession	28:31	26:08											27:20
	31:29	33:52											32:40
Third-Down Conversions	5-16	8-13											13-29
	7-15	2-16											9-31
Fourth-Down Conversions	0-1	0-0											0-1
	0-0	1-2											1-2
Red-Zone Scoring	1-1	7-7											8-8
	1-3	1-2											2-5
Red-Zone Touchdowns	0-0	7-7											7-7
	0-0	0-2											0-2
Red-Zone Points	3	49											52
	0	3											3
Turnovers	1	2											1
	2	1											2
Points Off Turnovers	0	0											0
	7	3											10
Penalties	7-59	5-35											12-94
	10-94	10-70											20-164
Punt Returns	0-0	5-51											5-51
	3-14	1-4											4-18
Kickoff Returns	1-18	2-47											3-65
	1-25	0-0											1-25
Interception Returns	1-3	1-37											2-40
	1-74	2-0											1-74
Fumble Returns	1-0	0-0											1-0
	0-0	1-0											1-0
Sacks	1-8	1-2											2-10
	7-46	0-0											7-46

Note: Clemson totals on top, opponent totals on bottom.

# 2021 INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

RUSHING	#1 SHIPLEY (RB)			#5 UIAGALELEI (QB)			#7 PHOMMACHANH (QB)			#16 TAYLOR (QB/WR)			#18 HELMS (QB)			#19 DUKES (RB)			#20 PACE (RB)			#21 RENCHER (RB)			#23 DIXON (RB)		
Opponent	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD	Car	Yds	TD
Georgia	4	7	0	14	-22	0	---	---	---	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	4	7	0	0	0	0	1	10	0
SC State	8	80	2	5	23	2	1	3	0	5	23	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	7	68	0	4	14	0	4	27	0
Georgia Tech																											
NC State																											
Boston College																											
Syracuse																											
Pittsburgh																											
Florida State																											
Louisville																											
UConn																											
Wake Forest																											
South Carolina																											
TOTALS	12	87	2	19	1	2	1	3	0	5	23	0	0	0	0	2	7	0	11	75	0	4	14	0	5	37	0

RUSHING	#34 McNEAL (RB)		
Opponent	Car	Yds	TD
Georgia	---	---	---
SC State	0	0	0
Georgia Tech			
NC State			
Boston College			
Syracuse			
Pittsburgh			
Florida State			
Louisville			
UConn			
Wake Forest			
South Carolina			
TOTALS	---	---	---

PASSING	#5 UIAGALELEI (QB)						#7 PHOMMACHANH (QB)						#16 TAYLOR (QB/WR)						#18 HELMS (QB)						MISC. PASSERS					
Opponent	Cmp	Att	Yds	Int	TD	Eff	Cmp	Att	Yds	Int	TD	Eff	Cmp	Att	Yds	Int	TD	Eff	Cmp	Att	Yds	Int	TD	Eff	Cmp	Att	Yds	Int	TD	Eff
Georgia	19	37	178	1	0	86.36	---	---	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
SC State	14	24	171	1	1	101.01	7	10	75	1	1	146.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	16	0	0	66.88	---	---	---	---	---	---
Georgia Tech																														
NC State																														
Boston College																														
Syracuse																														
Pittsburgh																														
Florida State																														
Louisville																														
UConn																														
Wake Forest																														
South Carolina																														
TOTALS	33	61	349	1	1	104.29	7	10	75	1	0	146.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	16	0	0	66.88	---	---	---	---	---	---

RECEIVING	#1 SHIPLEY (RB)			#2 LADSON JR. (WR)			#3 D. COLLINS (WR)			#6 E. WILLIAMS (WR)			#8 ROSS (WR)			#9 BRININGSTOOL (TE)			#10 NGATA (WR)			#11 AJOU (WR)			#16 TAYLOR (QB/WR)		
Opponent	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Georgia	1	11	0	1	4	0	---	---	---	1	0	0	4	26	0	---	---	---	6	110	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SC State	0	0	0	1	11	0	2	18	0	1	10	0	3	52	1	0	0	0	3	51	0	2	16	0	0	0	0
Georgia Tech																											
NC State																											
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Florida State																											
Louisville																											
UConn																											
Wake Forest																											
South Carolina																											
TOTALS	1	11	0	2	15	0	2	18	0	2	10	0	7	78	1	0	0	0	9	161	0	2	16	0	0	0	0

RECEIVING	#19 DUKES (RB)			#20 PACE (RB)			#21 RENCHER (RB)			#22 W. SWINNEY (WR)			#23 DIXON (RB)			#25 HUCKABEE (WR)			#40 PRICE (TE)			#80 B. COLLINS (WR)			#81 D. SWINNEY (WR)		
Opponent	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Georgia	---	---	---	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
SC State	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	11	0	1	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	36	0	1	4	0
Georgia Tech																											
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Florida State																											
Louisville																											
UConn																											
Wake Forest																											
South Carolina																											
TOTALS	1	3	0	1	6	0	0	0	0	2	11	0	1	14	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	36	0	1	4	0



# 2021 INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

RECEIVING	#82 BROWN (WR)			#84 D. ALLEN (TE)			#85 LAY (TE)			#87 ENNIS (TE)			#88 GALLOWAY (TE)			#89 MAY (WR)		
Opponent	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Georgia	---	---	---	2	8	0	---	---	---	0	0	0	3	13	0	---	---	---
SC State	0	0	0	2	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia Tech																		
NC State																		
Boston College																		
Syracuse																		
Pittsburgh																		
Florida State																		
Louisville																		
UConn																		
Wake Forest																		
South Carolina																		
TOTALS	0	0	0	4	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	13	0	0	0	0

FGs/PUNTS	#29 POTTER (FG)			#39 SWANSON (PUNT)					#48 SPIERS (PUNT)				
Opponent	Made	Missed		No.	Yds	Avg	In20	50+	No.	Yds	Avg	In20	50+
Georgia	22			---	---	---	---	---	8	331	41.4	3	1
SC State		58		2	84	42.0	0	0	1	47	47.0	0	0
Georgia Tech													
NC State													
Boston College													
Syracuse													
Pittsburgh													
Florida State													
Louisville													
UConn													
Wake Forest													
South Carolina													
TOTAL	1	1		2	84	42.0	0	0	9	378	42.0	3	1

RETURNS	#1 SHIPLEY (KR)				#23 DIXON (KR)				MISC. KICK RETURN				#1 SHIPLEY (PR)				#16 TAYLOR (PR)				#22 W. SWINNEY (PR)				MISC. PUNT RETURN			
Opponent	KR	Yds	Avg.	TD	KR	Yds	Avg.	TD	KR	Yds	Avg.	TD	PR	Yds	Avg.	TD	PR	Yds	Avg.	TD	PR	Yds	Avg.	TD	PR	Yds	Avg.	TD
Georgia	1	18	18	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	1 <sup>(82)</sup>	-2	-2	0
SC State	2	47	23.5	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	53	17.7	0	---	---	---	---				
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TOTALS	3	65	21.7	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	3	53	17.7	0	---	---	---	---				

DEFENSIVE LINE	#3 THOMAS (DE)				#5 HENRY (DE)				#7 MASCOLL (DE)				#8 T. WILLIAMS (DT)				#11 BRESEE (DT)				#13 T. DAVIS (DT)				#14 SWINT (DE)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack
Georgia	31	1	0	0	19	1	0	0	20	2	0	0	28	1	0	0	44	7	1-3	0	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0
SC State	20	2	0	0	14	2	0	0	13	1	0	0	19	1	1-1	0	20	2	0	0	20	1	0	0	24	4	3-4	0
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South Carolina																												
TOTALS	51	3	0	0	33	3	0	0	33	3	0	0	47	2	1-1	0	64	9	1-3	0	20	1	0	0	24	4	3-4	0

DEFENSIVE LINE	#19 CAPEHART (DT)				#32 REUBEN (DT)				#33 ORHORHORO (DT)				#35 FOSTER (DE)				#44 DENHOFF (DE)				#53 UPSHAW (DE)				#55 PAGE (DT)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack
Georgia	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	48	3	0.5-1	0	23	1	0	0	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
SC State	4	0	0	0	14	2	1-2	0	18	6	2-7	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	21	3	0.5-0	0	12	1	0	0
Georgia Tech																												
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TOTALS	4	0	0	0	14	2	1-2	0	66	9	2.5-8	0	23	1	0	0	---	---	---	---	21	3	0.5-0	0	14	1	0	0

# 2021 INDIVIDUAL GAME-BY-GAME STATS

DEFENSIVE LINE	#59 ROBINSON (DE)				#90 JEFFERIES (DT)				#91 PATTERSON (DE)				#92 RANDOLPH (DE)				#95 JAM. EDWARDS (DT)				#98 MURPHY (DE)				#99 G. WILLIAMS (DE)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack
Georgia	---	---	---	---	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	35	4	1.5-9	1-8	---	---	---	---
SC State	1	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	20	0	0	0	11	2	0	0
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TOTALS	1	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	55	4	1.5-9	1-8	11	2	0	0

LINEBACKERS	#0 CARTER (LB)				#10 BA. SPECTOR (LB)				#15 J. VENABLES (LB)				#17 PATTERSON (LB)				#22 SIMPSON (LB)				#30 MAGUIRE (LB)				#42 BENTLEY (LB)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack
Georgia	1	2	0	0	51	11	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	52	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	10	1	0	0
SC State	13	2	0	0	24	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	15	0	0	0	30	1	0	0	17	1	0	0	8	1	0	0
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Wake Forest																												
South Carolina																												
TOTALS	14	4	0	0	75	12	0	0	5	1	0	0	16	0	0	0	82	3	0	0	18	1	0	0	18	2	0	0

LINEBACKERS	#45 S. ALLEN (LB)				#46 McMAHAN (LB)				#47 SKALSKI (LB)				#48 COTE (LB)				#49 MALONEY (LB)				#54 TROTTER JR.(LB)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	Sack	Snaps	Tack	TFL	SACK	Snap	Tack	TFL	Sack
Georgia	0	1	0	0	---	---	---	---	62	14	0	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0
SC State	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	4	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	5	1-2	1-2
Georgia Tech																								
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Florida State																								
Louisville																								
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Wake Forest																								
South Carolina																								
TOTALS	13	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	91	18	1-2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	5	1-2	1-2

DEFENSIVE BACKS	#1 MUKUBA (S)				#2 F. DAVIS II (CB)				#6 JONES (CB)				#9 MICKENS (S)				#12 T. VENABLES (S)				#16 THORNTON III (S)				#18 CHARLESTON (S)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT
Georgia	59	8	1	0	---	---	---	---	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	2	0	0
SC State	15	0	1	0	33	2	0	0	27	3	0	0	28	1	1	1	24	3	0	0	19	0	0	0	13	4	0	0
Georgia Tech																												
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Wake Forest																												
South Carolina																												
TOTALS	74	8	2	0	33	2	0	0	45	3	0	0	28	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	43	6	0	0

DEFENSIVE BACKS	#20 WIGGINS (CB)				#21 GREENE (CB)				#23 BOOTH JR. (CB)				#24 TURNER (S)				#25 PHILLIPS (S)				#26 MCCALL (CB)				#27 DONNELLY (S)			
Opponent	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT	Snaps	Tack	PBU	INT
Georgia	---	---	---	---	12	1	0	0	61	5	0	0	---	---	---	---	34	6	1	0	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---
SC State	25	2	0	0	12	2	0	0	9	0	1	0	---	---	---	---	21	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	0
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Wake Forest																												
South Carolina																												
TOTALS	25	2	0	0	24	3	0	0	70	5	1	0	---	---	---	---	55	8	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	0

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DEFENSIVE BACKS	#27 Becker (S)				#31 GOODRICH (CB)				#36 ZANDERS (S)				#39 McATEE (S)						
Opponent	Snap	Tack	PBU	INT	Snap	Tack	PBU	INT	Snap	Tack	PBU	INT	Snap	Tack	PBU	INT			
Georgia	---	---	---	---	51	13	0	0	5	2	0	0	---	---	---	---			
SC State	0	0	0	0	18	1	1	0	---	---	---	---	0	0	0	0			
Georgia Tech																			
NC State																			
Boston College																			
Syracuse																			
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Florida State																			
Louisville																			
UConn																			
Wake Forest																			
South Carolina																			
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	69	14	1	0	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0			

# 2021 SUPERLATIVES

## TEAM

Category	2021 Clemson Team High	Clemson Team Record	2021 Opponent Team High	Opponent Team Record
Total Offense	504 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	756 vs. <b>Wake Forest, 10-31-1981</b>	256 by Georgia, 9-4	771 by Florida State, 11-4-2000
Plays	75 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	102 vs. <b>NC State, 11-17-2012</b>	61 by Georgia, 9-4	99 by <b>South Carolina, 11-12-1968</b>
				99 by <b>Louisville, 10-1-2016</b>
Yards Per Play	6.7 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	11.6 vs. <b>Louisville, 11-3-2018</b>	4.2 by Georgia, 9-4	9.3 by Florida State, 11-4-2000
Rushing Yards	242 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	615 vs. Georgia Tech, 10-17-1903	121 by Georgia, 9-4	478 by Tulane, 11-18-1944
Carries	36 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	78 vs. Duke, 10-20-1979	34 by <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	82 by North Carolina, 11-15-1969
Yards Per Carry	6.7 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	13.3 vs. <b>Louisville, 11-3-2018</b>	3.9 by Georgia, 9-4	
Rushing Touchdowns	5 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	11 vs. <b>Presbyterian College, 9-25-1948</b>	0 -	
Passing Yards	262 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	580 vs. <b>Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	135 by Georgia, 9-4	521 by Florida State, 11-4-2000
Completions	23 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	52 vs. <b>Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	22 by Georgia, 9-4	39 by Texas Tech, 12-23-2002
Passing Attempts	39 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	70 vs. <b>Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	30 by Georgia, 9-4	59 by Louisiana Tech, 12-31-2001
Completion % <sup>(10 comp.)</sup>	58.9 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	88.2 vs. <b>The Citadel, 9-16-1978</b>	73.3 by Georgia, 9-4	84.6 by NC State, 10-20-1990
Passing Efficiency <sup>(10 comp.)</sup>	86.36 vs. Georgia, 9-4	262.9 vs. <b>Furman, 9-15-2007</b>	104.47 by Georgia, 9-4	257.6 by Ohio State, 1-1-2021
Passing Touchdowns	2 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	7 vs. Georgia Tech, 10-17-2020	0 -	6 by many (3)
Longest Pass	44 vs. Georgia, 9-4	97 vs. <b>Virginia, 11-16-1974</b>	39 by <b>SC State, 9-4</b>	98 by Florida State, 11-4-2000
First Downs	27 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	40 vs. <b>South Carolina, 11-26-2016</b>	15 by Georgia, 9-4	35 by Maryland, 11-17-1984
Total Touchdowns	7 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	12 vs. <b>Wake Forest, 10-31-1981</b>	0 -	10 by West Virginia, 1-4-2012
Points	49 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	122 vs. <b>Guilford, 10-5-1901</b>	10 by Georgia, 9-4	74 by Alabama, 11-14-1931
			10 by <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	
Field Goals	1 vs. Georgia, 9-4	6 vs. <b>Texas A&amp;M, 9-3-2005</b>	1 by Georgia, 9-4	6 by <b>Duke, 10-16-1976</b>
		6 vs. <b>Boston College, 9-19-2009</b>	1 by <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	
Punting Average <sup>(3 punts)</sup>	43.7 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	56.7 vs. Wake Forest, 11-1-1986	43.4 by Georgia, 9-4	57.7 by <b>Wake Forest, 11-16-2019</b>
Time of Possession	28:31 vs. Georgia, 9-4	42:58 vs. <b>North Carolina, 11-7-1992</b>	31:29 by Georgia, 9-4	41:52 by <b>North Texas, 9-4-2010</b>
Penalties	7 vs. Georgia, 9-4	20 vs. NC State, 10-13-2001	10 by Georgia, 9-4	21 by Mississippi State, 12-30-1999
Penalty Yards	59 vs. Georgia, 9-4	181 vs. NC State, 10-13-2001	94 by Georgia, 9-4	188 by Mississippi State, 12-30-1999
Turnovers	3 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	10 vs. Florida, 10-11-1952	2 by Georgia, 9-4	9 by <b>Georgia, 9-19-1981</b>
Third-Down Conversions	8 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	15 vs. <b>Western Carolina, 9-3-1983</b>	7 by Georgia, 9-4	15 by <b>Georgia, 9-21-1985</b>
Third-Down Conversion %	61.5 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	100.0 vs. <b>Wake Forest, 10-31-1981</b>	46.7 by Georgia, 9-4	72.7 by Florida State, 9-11-1993
Field Position	32 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	49 vs. <b>Florida Atlantic, 9-2-2006</b>	27 by Georgia, 9-4	50 by Wake Forest, 10-7-2006
Punt Return Yards	51 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	227 vs. <b>Georgia Tech, 9-26-1987</b>	14 by Georgia, 9-4	150 by <b>Florida State, 9-20-1997</b>
Kickoff Return Yards	47 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	286 vs. Florida State, 9-25-2004	25 by Georgia, 9-4	290 by <b>North Carolina, 10-22-2011</b>
Interception Return Yards	37 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	143 vs. Maryland, 10-31-1970	74 by Georgia, 9-4	166 by <b>Auburn, 11-21-1953</b>
Interceptions By Defense	1 vs. Georgia, 9-4	6 vs. South Carolina, 11-27-1971	2 by <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	7 by South Carolina, 10-25-1945
	1 vs. <b>SC State, 9-11</b>	6 vs. NC State, 9-30-1995		
Fumble Return Yards	0 -	93 vs. Virginia, 9-19-1998	0 -	103 by West Virginia, 1-4-2012
Sacks	1 vs. Georgia, 9-4	12 vs. <b>Furman, 9-7-1996</b>	7 by Georgia, 9-4	7 by <b>Florida State, 9-20-1997</b>
	vs. SC State, 9-11			7 by <b>Virginia, 10-11-1997</b>
				7 by Georgia, 9-4-2021

## INDIVIDUAL

Category	2021 Clemson Individual Best	Clemson Individual Record	2021 Opponent Individual Best	Opponent Individual Record
Total Offense	178 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. Georgia, 9-4	588 by <b>Deshaun Watson vs. Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	127 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	521 by Joe Burrow (Louisiana State) 1-13-2020
Rushing Yards	80 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	263 by <b>Raymond Priestner vs. Duke, 11-11-1995</b>	74 by Zamir White (Georgia), 9-4	256 by Steve Wadiak (South Carolina), 10-19-1950
Carries	14 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. Georgia, 9-4	36 by many (3)	13 by Zamir White (Georgia), 9-4	45 by James McDougald (Wake Forest), 10-9-1976
Rushing Touchdowns	2 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	5 by Stumpy Banks vs. Furman, 10-13-1917	0 -	4 by many (4)
	1 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	5 by Maxcey Welch vs. Newberry, 10-17-1930		
Longest Carry	30 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	90 by many (3)	23 by <b>Kendall Flowers (SC State), 9-11</b>	98 by Steve Atkins (Maryland), 11-18-1978
Passing Yards	178 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. Georgia, 9-4	580 by <b>Deshaun Watson vs. Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	135 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	521 by Chris Weinke (Florida State), 11-4-2000
Completions	19 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. Georgia, 9-4	52 by <b>Deshaun Watson vs. Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	22 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	35 by <b>George Godsey (Georgia Tech), 10-28-2000</b>
Passing Attempts	37 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. Georgia, 9-4	70 by <b>Deshaun Watson vs. Pittsburgh, 11-12-2016</b>	30 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	57 by <b>Kip Allen (The Citadel), 10-4-1986</b>
				57 by <b>George Godsey (Georgia Tech), 10-28-2000</b>
Completion % <sup>(10 comp.)</sup>	58.3 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	95.0 by Cole Stoudt vs. South Carolina State, 9-7-2013	73.3 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	100.0 by <b>Darian Durant (North Carolina), 10-20-2001</b>
Passing Efficiency <sup>(10 comp.)</sup>	101.01 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	261.9 by Tajh Boyd vs. Syracuse, 10-5-2013	104.47 by J.T. Daniels (Georgia), 9-4	257.6 by Justin Fields (Ohio State), 1-1-2021
Passing Touchdowns	1 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	6 by Deshaun Watson vs. North Carolina, 9-27-2014	0 -	6 by Geno Smith (West Virginia), 1-4-2012
	1 by Taisun Phommachanh vs. SC State, 9-11	by Deshaun Watson vs. South Carolina, 11-26-2016		by Justin Fields (Ohio State), 1-1-2021
Receptions	6 by Joseph Ngata vs. Georgia, 9-4	16 by Sammy Watkins vs. Ohio State, 1-3-2014	6 by Brock Bowers (Georgia), 9-4	14 by <b>Kelly Campbell (Georgia Tech), 10-28-2000</b>
Receiving Yards	110 by Joseph Ngata vs. Georgia, 9-4	227 by Sammy Watkins vs. Ohio State, 1-3-2014	96 by <b>Will Vereen (SC State), 9-11</b>	249 by <b>Peter Warrick (Florida State), 9-20-1997</b>
Receiving Touchdowns	1 by <b>Justyn Ross vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	3 by many (9)	0 -	4 by <b>Torry Holt (NC State), 10-31-1998</b>
	1 by <b>Lyn-J Dixon vs. SC State, 9-11</b>			by Tavon Austin (West Virginia), 1-4-2012
All-Purpose Yards	127 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	345 by Sammy Watkins vs. Maryland, 10-15-2011	96 by <b>Will Vereen (SC State), 9-11</b>	496 by <b>Tobias Palmer (NC State), 11-17-2012</b>
Total Touchdowns	2 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	5 by Stumpy Banks vs. Furman, 10-13-1917	0 -	4 by many (7)
	2 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	5 by Maxcey Welch vs. Newberry, 10-17-1930		
Points	12 by D.J. Uiagalelei vs. SC State, 9-11	33 by <b>Maxcey Welch vs. Newberry, 10-17-1930</b>	6 by Christopher Smith (Georgia), 9-4	24 by many (7)
	12 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>			
Field Goals	1 by B.T. Potter vs. Georgia, 9-4	6 by <b>Jad Dean vs. Texas A&amp;M, 9-3-2005</b>	1 by Jack Podlesny (Georgia), 9-4	6 by <b>Vince Fusco (Duke), 10-17-1976</b>
		by Richard Jackson vs. Boston College, 9-19-2009	1 by <b>Dyson Roberts (SC State), 9-11</b>	
Longest Field Goal	22 by B.T. Potter vs. Georgia, 9-4	61 by <b>Spencer Benton vs. Ball State, 9-8-2012</b>	27 by <b>Dyson Roberts (SC State), 9-11</b>	60 by Kevin Butler (Georgia), 9-22-1984
Punting Average <sup>(3 punts)</sup>	41.6 by Will Spiers vs. Georgia, 9-4	55.3 by <b>Dale Hatcher vs. Kentucky, 10-2-1982</b>	43.4 by Jake Camarda (Georgia), 9-4	
Punt Return Yards	53 by <b>Will Taylor vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	167 by Don Kelley vs. Maryland, 10-20, 1970	13 by Kearis Jackson (Georgia), 9-4	
Kickoff Return Yards	47 by <b>Will Shipley vs. SC State, 9-11</b>	282 by Justin Miller vs. Florida State, 9-25-2004	25 by Kenny McIntosh (Georgia), 9-4	
Interception Return Yards	37 by R.J. Mickens vs. SC State, 9-11	101 by <b>Willie Underwood vs. South Carolina, 11-22-1980</b>	74 by Christopher Smith (Georgia), 9-4	128 by <b>Dennis Tabron (Duke), 10-18-1980</b>
Interceptions	1 by Baylon Spector vs. Georgia 9-4	3 by many (5)	2 by <b>Decobie Durant (SC State), 9-11</b>	4 by Jim Dooley (Miami (Fla.)), 1-1-1952
	1 by <b>R.J. Mickens vs. SC State, 9-11</b>			
Fumble Return Yards	0 -	93 by Antwan Edwards vs. Virginia, 9-19-1998	0 -	
Tackles	14 by James Skalski vs. Georgia 9-4	27 by Keith Adams vs. South Carolina, 11-20-1999	9 by Lewis Cine (Georgia), 9-4	29 by <b>Ed Stetz (Wake Forest) 10-30-1971</b>
Tackles For Loss	1.5 by Myles Murphy vs. Georgia, 9-4	6 by <b>Keith Adams vs. Duke, 11-6-1999</b>	2 by Nakobe Dean (Georgia), 9-4	4.5 by <b>Jadeveon Clowney (South Carolina), 11-24-2012</b>
		6 by Andre Branch vs. Virginia Tech, 10-1-2011	2 by Jordan Davis (Georgia), 9-4	4.5 by <b>Brian Burns (Florida State) 11-11-2017</b>
Sacks	1 by Myles Murphy vs. Georgia, 9-4	4 by <b>Keith Adams vs. Duke, 11-6-1999</b>	2 by Nakobe Dean (Georgia), 9-4	4.5 by <b>Jadeveon Clowney (South Carolina), 11-24-2012</b>
		4 by Andre Branch vs. Virginia Tech, 10-1-2011		

Note: Numbers in parentheses denote minimums; **bold** denotes a Clemson home game.



# 2021 CLEMSON DRIVE CHARTS

## -- CLEMSON --

### GEORGIA

#	Qtr	Clock	Spot	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result
1	1	9:42	10	3	-5	1:28	Punt
2	1	6:31	2	3	15	1:34	Punt
3	2	14:19	20	8	36	5:05	Punt
4	2	6:28	15	3	1	0:56	Punt
5	2	5:32	50	5	20	2:34	INT
6	2	2:58	25	8	33	2:05	Punt
7	3	15:00	25	8	20	3:36	Punt
8	3	9:39	33	3	-9	2:10	Punt
9	3	2:33	23	3	-13	2:23	Punt
<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12:56</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3:48</b>	<b>FG</b>
11	4	7:36	25	7	30	2:47	Downs

### SC STATE

#	Qtr	Clock	Spot	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result
<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14:58</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>3:20</b>	<b>TD</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10:09</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>2:49</b>	<b>TD</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5:34</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>2:13</b>	<b>TD</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2:27</b>	<b>*11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0:06</b>	<b>TD</b>
5	2	14:45	2	3	3	1:19	Punt
6	2	12:42	*29	1	0	0:06	INT
<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9:05</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>2:22</b>	<b>TD</b>
8	2	3:10	20	6	16	1:06	Fum
9	2	0:12	44	1	15	0:12	MFG
<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13:23</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>3:44</b>	<b>TD</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7:23</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>3:31</b>	<b>TD</b>
12	4	13:19	4	2	12	0:24	INT
13	4	10:17	16	3	1	1:41	Punt
14	4	5:21	20	7	21	2:00	Punt
15	4	1:06	28	3	7	1:06	Game

## CLEMSON LONG PLAYS

Yds	Player(s)	Type	Opp
44	Uiagalelei to Ngata	Pass	UGA
<b>38</b>	<b>Uiagalelei to Ngata</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>38</b>	<b>Uiagalelei to Ross</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>30</b>	<b>Shipley</b>	<b>Run</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>Pace</b>	<b>Run</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Phommachanh to B. Collins</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>Uiagalelei to Allen</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>SCS</b>

\* - touchdown; Note: Offensive plays only;  
**bold** denotes a Clemson home game;

## -- OPPONENTS --

### GEORGIA

#	Qtr	Clock	Spot	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result
1	1	14:52	25	8	27	5:10	Punt
2	1	8:14	*49	3	2	1:28	Punt
3	1	4:57	37	12	44	5:38	MFG
4	2	9:14	9	5	25	2:46	Punt
5	2	0:53	20	2	7	0:53	Half
6	3	11:24	12	5	15	1:45	INT
<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7:29</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>4:51</b>	<b>FG</b>
8	3	0:10	35	4	11	2:14	Punt
9	4	9:08	25	3	8	1:32	Punt
10	4	4:49	45	10	41	4:49	Game

### SC STATE

#	Qtr	Clock	Spot	Plays	Yards	TOP	Result
1	1	11:38	25	3	-1	1:29	Punt
2	1	7:20	25	3	-7	2:49	Punt
3	1	3:21	25	3	2	0:54	Punt
4	1	2:21	25	5	18	2:36	Punt
5	2	13:26	47	2	17	0:44	INT
6	2	12:36	29	6	32	3:31	Punt
7	2	6:43	25	4	26	3:33	Punt
<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2:04</b>	<b>*36</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1:45</b>	<b>FG</b>
9	3	15:00	25	3	6	1:37	Punt
10	3	9:39	25	3	-3	2:16	Punt
11	3	3:52	25	12	71	5:33	Downs
12	4	12:55	40	3	5	2:38	Punt
13	4	8:36	41	6	19	3:15	Punt
14	4	3:21	21	3	4	2:15	Punt

## OPPONENT LONG PLAYS

Yds	Player(s)	Type	Team
<b>38</b>	<b>Fields to Vereen</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>SCS</b>
<b>23</b>	<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Run</b>	<b>SCS</b>
22	White	Run	UGA
21	Daniels to Bowers	Pass	UGA
<b>21</b>	<b>Hill</b>	<b>Run</b>	<b>SCS</b>

\* - touchdown; Note: Offensive plays only;  
**bold** denotes a Clemson home game.

# 2021 PARTICIPATION

#	Player	UGA	SCS	GAT	NCS	BOC	SYR	PIT	FSU	LOU	CON	WFU	USC	Total	2021 G-S	Career G-S
11	Ajou Ajou, WR	16	23											39	2-0	12-0
84	Davis Allen, TE	28	29											57	2-0	29-1
45	Sergio Allen, LB	ST	13											13	2-0	7-0
29	Michael Becker, S	---	ST											0	1-0	7-0
42	LaVonta Bentley, LB	10	8											18	2-0	18-0
43	Will Blackston, TE	---	ST											0	1-0	2-0
65	Matt Bockhorst, OL	*67	*48											115	2-2	42-15
23	Andrew Booth Jr., CB	*61	*9											70	2-2	26-6
11	Bryan Bresee, DT	*44	*20											64	2-2	14-12
9	Jake Briningstool, TE	---	5											5	1-0	1-0
82	Will Brown, WR	---	6											6	1-0	17-0
19	DeMonte Capehart, DT	---	4											4	1-0	5-0
0	Barrett Carter, LB	1	13											14	2-0	2-0
58	Holden Caspersen, LS	---	ST											0	1-0	1-0
36	Quinn Castner, PK	---	---											---	0-0	1-0
18	Joseph Charleston, S	30	25											55	2-0	26-6
80	Beaux Collins, WR	---	24											24	1-0	1-0
3	Dacari Collins, WR	---	12											12	1-0	1-0
48	David Cote, LB	---	ST											0	1-0	6-0
60	Mac Cranford, OL	---	---											---	0-0	4-0
2	Fred Davis II, CB	---	33											33	1-0	12-0
13	Tyler Davis, DT	---	*20											20	1-1	23-21
23	Lyn-J Dixon, RB	18	*12											30	2-1	40-1
27	Carson Donnelly, S	ST	8											8	2-0	23-0
19	Michel Dukes, RB	---	15											15	1-0	19-0
83	Hampton Earle, WR	---	---											---	0-0	6-0
97	Nick Eddis, DT	---	1											1	1-0	3-0
69	Jacob Edwards, OL	---	17											17	1-0	9-0
95	James Edwards, DT	---	2											2	1-0	14-0
87	Sage Ennis, TE	ST	13											13	2-0	6-0
35	Justin Foster, DE	23	---											23	1-0	40-13
88	Braden Galloway, TE	*35	*33											68	2-2	28-14
31	Mario Goodrich, CB	*51	*18											69	2-2	37-6
24	Hamp Greene, WR	---	---											---	0-0	6-0
21	Malcolm Greene, CB	12	12											24	2-0	14-3
18	Hunter Helms, QB	---	7											7	1-0	4-0
5	K.J. Henry, DE	19	14											33	2-0	33-6
86	Tye Herbstreit, WR	---	3											3	1-0	6-0
75	Trent Howard, OL	---	26											26	1-0	5-0
25	Blackmon Huckabee Jr., WR	---	ST											0	1-0	1-0
90	Darnell Jefferies, DT	7	10											17	2-0	25-0
52	Tayquon Johnson, OG	---	---											---	0-0	14-0
6	Sheridan Jones, CB	18	27											45	2-0	27-8
2	Frank Ladson Jr., WR	*47	*28											75	2-2	27-6
85	Jaelyn Lay, TE	---	2											2	1-0	17-0
70	Tristan Leigh, OL	---	10											10	1-0	1-0
53	Ryan Linthicum, C	---	3											3	1-0	1-0
33	Ty Lucas, RB/LS	---	ST											0	1-0	9-0
46	Jack Maddox, LS	ST	ST											0	2-0	25-0
30	Keith Maguire, LB	1	17											18	2-0	17-0
49	Matthew Maloney, LB	---	ST											0	1-0	4-0
7	Justin Mascoll, DE	20	13											33	2-0	30-9
89	Max May, WR	---	15											15	1-0	19-0
77	Mitchell Mayes, OL	---	33											33	1-0	8-0
39	Bubba McAtee, S	---	ST											0	1-0	3-0
26	Jack McCall, CB	---	ST											0	1-0	5-0
58	Evan McCutchen, DE	---	ST											0	1-0	1-0
71	Jordan McFadden, OT	*67	*49											116	2-2	31-14
46	Matt McMahan, LB	---	ST											0	1-0	4-0
34	Kevin McNeal, RB	---	1											1	1-0	1-0
9	R.J. Mickens, S	ST	28											28	2-0	12-0
1	Andrew Mukuba, S	*59	*15											74	2-2	2-2
98	Myles Murphy, DE	*35	*20											55	2-2	14-8
10	Joseph Ngata, WR	*45	*30											75	2-2	24-5
33	Ruke Orhororo, DT	*48	18											66	2-1	16-1
20	Kobe Pace, RB	*28	16											44	2-1	11-1
55	Payton Page, DT	2	12											14	2-0	2-0
64	Walker Parks, OL	*67	*51											118	2-2	13-2
17	Kane Patterson, LB	1	15											16	2-0	27-0
59	Dietrick Pennington, OL	---	4											4	1-0	1-0
25	Jalyn Phillips, S	*34	*21											55	2-2	27-3
7	Taisun Phommachanh, QB	---	15											15	1-0	8-0
29	B.T. Potter, PK	*ST	*ST											0	2-2	44-29
40	Luke Price, TE	---	6											6	1-0	19-1
56	Will Putnam, OG	*67	*51											118	2-2	25-14
92	Klayton Randolph, DE	---	ST											0	1-0	5-0
55	Hunter Rayburn, OL	---	21											21	1-0	11-0
21	Darien Rencher, RB	ST	12											12	2-0	39-0
32	Etinosa Reuben, DT	---	14											14	1-0	11-0
59	Jabriel Robinson, DE	---	1											1	1-0	1-0
40	Elijah Rodgers, CB	---	ST											0	1-0	1-0
8	Justyn Ross, WR	*44	*27											71	2-2	31-16
1	Will Shipley, RB	19	23											42	2-0	2-0
22	Trenton Simpson, LB	*52	*30											82	2-2	14-5

# 2021 PARTICIPATION

#	Player	UGA	SCS	GAT	NCS	BOC	SYR	PIT	FSU	LOU	CON	WFU	USC	Total	2021 G-S	Career G-S
47	James Skalski, LB	*62	*29											91	2-2	58-27
10	Baylon Spector, LB	*51	*24											75	2-2	44-12
13	Brannon Spector, WR	---	---											---	0-0	14-1
48	Will Spiers, P	*ST	*ST											0	2-2	58-58
15	Troy Stellato, WR	---	11											11	1-0	1-0
39	Aidan Swanson, P/PK	---	ST											0	1-0	7-0
81	Drew Swinney, WR	---	11											11	1-0	18-0
22	Will Swinney, WR	ST	12											12	2-0	58-0
14	Kevin Swint, DE	ST	24											24	2-0	12-0
74	Marcus Tate, OL	*48	*51											99	2-2	2-2
16	Will Taylor, QB/WR	1	6											7	2-0	2-0
57	Paul Tchio, OL	19	33											52	2-0	11-0
3	Xavier Thomas, DE	*31	*20											51	2-2	36-11
16	Ray Thornton III, S	ST	19											19	2-0	18-2
54	Jeremiah Trotter Jr., LB	ST	13											13	2-0	2-0
54	Mason Trotter, OL	---	---											---	0-0	13-0
73	Bryn Tucker, OL	---	15											15	1-0	4-0
24	Nolan Turner, S	---	---											---	0-0	55-15
5	DJ Uiagalelei, QB	*66	*53											119	2-2	12-4
53	Regan Upshaw, DE	ST	21											21	2-0	38-0
15	Jake Venables, LB	---	4											4	1-0	27-4
12	Tyler Venables, S	1	24											25	2-0	14-0
41	Jonathan Weitz, PK	---	ST											0	1-0	5-0
20	Nate Wiggins, CB	ST	25											25	2-0	2-0
6	E.J. Williams, WR	40	21											61	2-0	14-4
99	Greg Williams, DE	---	11											11	1-0	12-0
76	John Williams, OL	---	---											---	0-0	2-0
8	Tré Williams, DT	28	19											47	2-0	4-0
36	Lannden Zanders, S	5	---											5	1-0	25-9

\* - start; ST - special teams only; Note: Numbers do not necessarily denote official plays, but rather non-special-team snaps; **bold** denotes a Clemson home game.

# 2021 GAME-BY-GAME STARTERS

Position	UGA	SCS	GAT	NCS	BOC	SYR	PIT	FSU	LOU	CON	WFU	USC
LT	McFadden	McFadden										
LG	Tate	Tate										
C	Bockhorst	Bockhorst										
RG	Putnam	Putnam										
RT	Parks	Parks										
TE	Galloway	Galloway										
WR	Ngata	Ngata										
QB	Uiagalelei	Uiagalelei										
RB	Pace	Dixon										
WR	Ross	Ross										
WR	Ladson	Ladson										
DE	Murphy	Murphy										
DT	Bresee	Bresee										
DT	Orhorhoro	T. Davis										
DE	Thomas	Thomas										
SLB/NB	Simpson	Simpson										
MLB	Skalski	Skalski										
WLB	Ba. Spector	Ba. Spector										
CB	Booth	Booth										
SS	Mukuba	Mukuba										
FS	Phillips	Phillips										
CB	Goodrich	Goodrich										
PK	Potter	Potter										
P	Spiers	Spiers										

Note: **Bold** denotes a Clemson home game.

## 400 TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS

**Clemson** - Trevor Lawrence had 90 rushing yards and 322 passing yards (412 total yards) vs. Notre Dame at Charlotte, N.C. on Dec. 19, 2020 (Clemson 34-10).

**Opponent** - Justin Fields of Ohio State had 42 rushing yards and 385 passing yards (427 total yards) at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 1, 2021 (Ohio State 49-28).

## 500 TOTAL OFFENSE YARDS

**Clemson** - Deshaun Watson had 8 rushing yards and 580 passing yards (588 total yards) vs. Pittsburgh at Clemson on Nov. 12, 2016 (Pittsburgh 43-42).

**Opponent** - Joe Burrow of LSU had 58 rushing yards and 463 passing yards (521 total yards) at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 13, 2020 (LSU 42-25).

## 30 CARRIES

**Clemson** - Wayne Gallman had 30 carries vs. Auburn at Auburn, Ala., on Sept. 3, 2016 (Clemson 19-13).

**Opponent** - Trey Sermon of Ohio State had 31 carries at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 1, 2021 (Ohio State 49-28).

## 100 RUSHING YARDS BY QUARTERBACK

**Clemson** - Trevor Lawrence had 107 rushing yards vs. Ohio State at Glendale, Ariz. on Dec. 28, 2019 (Clemson 29-23).

**Opponent** - Lamar Jackson had 162 rushing yards at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 1, 2016 (Clemson 42-36).

## 100 RUSHING YARDS BY TWO PLAYERS

**Clemson** - Travis Etienne had 153 rushing yards, **Lyn-J Dixon** had 116 rushing yards and Tavien Feaster had 101 rushing yards vs. Louisville at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 3, 2018 (Clemson 77-16).

**Opponent** - Orwin Smith of Georgia Tech had 117 rushing yards and Tevin Washington had 104 rushing yards at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 6, 2012 (Clemson 47-31).

## 100 RUSHING YARDS BY THREE PLAYERS

**Clemson** - Travis Etienne had 153 rushing yards, **Lyn-J Dixon** had 116 rushing yards and Tavien Feaster had 101 rushing yards vs. Louisville at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 3, 2018 (Clemson 77-16).

**Opponent** - Never accomplished.

## 100 RUSHING YARDS & 100 PASSING YARDS

**Clemson** - Trevor Lawrence had 107 rushing yards and 259 passing yards vs. Ohio State at Glendale, Ariz. on Dec. 28, 2019 (Clemson 29-23).

**Opponent** - Lamar Jackson of Louisville had 162 rushing yards and 295 passing yards at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 1, 2016 (Clemson 42-36).

## 200 RUSHING YARDS

**Clemson** - Travis Etienne had 212 rushing yards vs. Wofford at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 2, 2019 (Clemson 59-14).

**Opponent** - Branden Ore of Virginia Tech had 203 rushing yards at Blacksburg, Va. on Oct. 26, 2006 (Virginia Tech 24-7).

## 25 COMPLETIONS

**Clemson** - Trevor Lawrence had 33 completions vs. Ohio State at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 1, 2021 (Ohio State 49-28).

**Opponent** - Joe Burrow of LSU had 31 completions at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 13, 2020 (LSU 42-25).

## 400 PASSING YARDS

**Clemson** - Trevor Lawrence had 400 passing yards vs. Ohio State at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 1, 2021 (Ohio State 49-28).

**Opponent** - Joe Burrow of LSU had 463 passing yards at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 13, 2020 (LSU 42-25).

## 10 RECEPTIONS

**Clemson** - Amari Rodgers had 10 receptions vs. Pittsburgh at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 28, 2020 (Clemson 52-17).

**Opponent** - Billy Kemp IV of Virginia had 10 receptions at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 3, 2020 (Clemson 41-23).

## 100 RECEIVING YARDS

**Clemson** - Joseph Ngata had 110 receiving yards vs. Georgia at Charlotte, N.C. on Sept. 4, 2021 (Georgia 10-3).

**Opponent** - Chris Olave of Ohio State had 132 receiving yards at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 1, 2021 (Ohio State 49-28).

## 100 RECEIVING YARDS BY TWO PLAYERS

**Clemson** - Cornell Powell (161) and Amari Rodgers (134) vs. Notre Dame at Notre Dame, Ind. on Nov. 7, 2020 (Notre Dame 47-40).

**Opponent** - Ja'Marr Chase (221) and Justin Jefferson (106) of

LSU each reached 100 yards at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 13, 2020 (LSU 42-25).

## 200 RECEIVING YARDS

**Clemson** - Mike Williams had 202 receiving yards vs. Pittsburgh at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 12, 2016 (Pittsburgh 43-42).

**Opponent** - Ja'Marr Chase of LSU had 221 receiving yards at New Orleans, La. on Jan. 13, 2020 (LSU 42-25).

## 100 INTERCEPTION RETURN YARDS

**Clemson** - Willie Underwood had 101 yards on two interception returns vs. South Carolina at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 22, 1980 (Clemson 27-6).

**Opponent** - Dennis Tabron of Duke had 128 yards on three interception returns at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 18, 1980 (Duke 34-17).

## 100 PUNT RETURN YARDS

**Clemson** - Adam Humphries had 107 yards on eight punt returns vs. Louisville at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 11, 2014 (Clemson 23-17).

**Opponent** - Eddie Royal of Virginia Tech had 117 yards on three punt returns at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 6, 2007 (Virginia Tech 41-23).

## 200 KICKOFF RETURN YARDS

**Clemson** - Sammy Watkins had 207 yards on five kickoff returns vs. Maryland at College Park, Md. on Oct. 15, 2011 (Clemson 56-45).

**Opponent** - Hassan Hall of Louisville had 247 yards on eight kickoff returns at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 3, 2018 (Clemson 77-16).

## INTERCEPTION RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - Derion Kendrick intercepted a James Blackman pass and returned it 38 yards for a touchdown vs. Florida State at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 12, 2019 (Clemson 45-14).

**Opponent** - Christopher Smith of Georgia intercepted a DJ Uiagalelei pass and returned it 74 yards for a touchdown at Charlotte, N.C. on Sept. 4, 2021 (Georgia 10-3).

## PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - Amari Rodgers returned a punt 58 yards for a touchdown vs. Boston College at Chestnut Hill, Mass. on Nov. 10, 2018 (Clemson 27-7).

**Opponent** - Michael Walker of Boston College returned a punt 74 yards for a touchdown at Chestnut Hill, Mass. on Nov. 10, 2018 (Clemson 27-7).

## BLOCKED PUNT RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - La'Donte Harris returned a blocked punt 10 yards for a touchdown vs. South Carolina at Columbia, S.C. on Nov. 24, 2007 (Clemson 23-21).

**Opponent** - Roderick Rollins of Boston College returned a blocked punt 14 yards for a touchdown at Chestnut Hill, Mass. on Nov. 1, 2008 (Clemson 27-21).

## KICKOFF RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - Sammy Watkins returned a kickoff 89 yards for a touchdown vs. Maryland at College Park, Md. on Oct. 15, 2011 (Clemson 56-45).

**Opponent** - Hassan Hall of Louisville returned a kickoff 93 yards for a touchdown at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 3, 2018 (Clemson 77-16).

## FUMBLE RETURN FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - Derion Kendrick returned a fumble 66 yards for a touchdown vs. Virginia Tech at Blacksburg, Va. on Dec. 5, 2020 (Clemson 45-10).

**Opponent** - Jeremiah Owusu-Koramoah of Notre Dame returned a fumble 23 yards for a touchdown at Notre Dame, Ind. on Nov. 7, 2020 (Notre Dame 47-40).

## RECOVERED FUMBLE FOR TOUCHDOWN

**Clemson** - Clelin Ferrell recovered a Christian Wilkins fumble (following a Georgia Tech fumble) in the end zone for a touchdown vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta, Ga. on Sept. 22, 2018 (Clemson 49-21).

**Opponent** - Adam Gotsis of Georgia Tech recovered a fumble in the end zone for a touchdown at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 10, 2015 (Clemson 43-24).

## TOUCHDOWN BY OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

**Clemson** - John Simpson rushed for a one-yard touchdown vs. NC State at Raleigh, N.C. on Nov. 9, 2019 (Clemson 55-10).

**Opponent** - Peter Anderson of Georgia fell on the ball in the end zone after a Lars Tate fumble at Clemson, S.C. on Sept. 21, 1985 (Georgia 20-13).

## TOUCHDOWN BY DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

**Clemson** - Nyles Pinckney rushed for a one-yard touchdown vs. Georgia Tech at Atlanta, Ga. on Oct. 17, 2020 (Clemson 73-7).

**Opponent** - Adam Gotsis of Georgia Tech recovered a fumble in the end zone for a touchdown at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 10, 2015 (Clemson 43-24).

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## FOUR FIELD GOALS

**Clemson** - B.T. Potter was 4-4 on field goals with makes of 25, 45, 46 and 30 yards vs. Notre Dame at Notre Dame, Ind. on Nov. 7, 2020 (Notre Dame 47-40).

**Opponent** - Jonathan Doerer of Notre Dame was 4-5 on field goals with makes of 24, 27, 45 and 44 at Notre Dame, Ind. on Nov. 7, 2020 (Notre Dame 47-40).

## FIVE FIELD GOALS

**Clemson** - Chandler Catanzaro was 5-5 on field goals with makes of 38, 42, 18, 20 and 47 yards vs. Boston College at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 8, 2011 (Clemson 36-14).

**Opponent** - Vince Fusco of Duke was 6-7 on field goals with makes of 27, 22, 22, 25, 37 and 57 yards at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 16, 1976 (18-18).

## SIX FIELD GOALS

**Clemson** - Richard Jackson was 6-6 on field goals with makes of 23, 33, 32, 52, 42 and 35 yards vs. Boston College at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 19, 2009 (Clemson 25-7).

**Opponent** - Vince Fusco of Duke was 6-7 on field goals with makes of 27, 22, 22, 25, 37 and 57 yards at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 16, 1976 (18-18).

## 50-YARD FIELD GOAL

**Clemson** - B.T. Potter kicked a 50-yard field goal vs. Boston College at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 31, 2020 (Clemson 34-28).

**Opponent** - Jonathan Doerer of Notre Dame kicked a 51-yard field goal at Charlotte, N.C. on Dec. 19, 2020 (Clemson 34-10).

## SAFETY

**Clemson** - Bryan Bresee forced Phil Jurkovec to intentionally ground the ball from the end zone for a safety vs. Boston College at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 31, 2020 (Clemson 34-28).

**Opponent** - Joshua Perry forced Tajh Boyd to intentionally ground the ball from the end zone for a safety vs. Ohio State at Miami Gardens, Fla. on Jan. 3, 2014 (Clemson 40-35).

## 20 POINTS

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## BLOCKED PUNT

**Clemson** - Jadar Johnson blocked a punt into the end zone for a safety vs. Georgia Tech at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 10, 2015. The ball went out of the end zone (Clemson 43-24).

**Opponent** - John Petrishen of Pittsburgh blocked a punt at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 28, 2020 (Clemson 52-17).

## 50-YARD PUNTING AVERAGE

**Clemson** - Will Spiers had a 53.6-yard average on five punts vs. Syracuse at Clemson, S.C. on Oct. 24, 2020 (Clemson 47-21).

**Opponent** - Dom Maggio of Wake Forest had a 57.7-yard average on nine punts at Clemson, S.C. on Nov. 16, 2019 (Clemson 52-3).



# GAME RECAPS

GAME 1	GEORGIA	10
	CLEMSON	3
	SEPT. 4, 2021 BANK OF AMERICA STADIUM • CHARLOTTE, N.C.	

CHARLOTTE, N.C. – No. 3 Clemson and No. 5 Georgia played only the fourth season opener between two AP Top 5 teams since 2000, as Georgia won a defensive slugfest with the Tigers, 10-3, at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte.

James Skalski finished with a game-high 14 tackles as the Clemson held Georgia's offense to just three points. The lone touchdown of the contest came in the second quarter, when quarterback DJ Uiagalelei threw his first career interception to snap his interception-free streak of 128 consecutive passes, which Georgia's Christopher Smith returned 74 yards for a touchdown.

Clemson's stout defense allowed only 256 total yards. The 10 points surrendered also marked the eighth time in history that Clemson held an AP Top 5 opponent to 10 or fewer points. It was Clemson's first loss when holding an opponent fewer than 23 points since 2010.

Clemson was led offensively by wide receiver Joseph Ngata, who finished the game with six catches for 110 yards, and quarterback DJ Uiagalelei, who was 19-for-37 with 178 yards passing. Ngata recorded his first career 100-yard game.

Clemson was hampered offensively by a 7-1 deficit in sacks. The Tigers ultimately got the board with 9:08 left in the fourth quarter on a 22-yard field goal from B.T. Potter.

True freshman guard Marcus Tate and true freshman safety Andrew Mukuba both started, marking only the second time since 1973 that Clemson has had two true freshmen start a season opener (tight end Jeff Wells and center James Farr in 1980).

The loss concluded Clemson's streak of 127 consecutive games since losing back-to-back contests, the longest such streak in ACC history.

GAME STATS

Georgia	0	7	3	0	10
Clemson	0	0	0	3	3
GA C. Smith 74 interception return (Podlesny kick) 2nd, 2:58					
GA Podlesny 22 FG 3rd, 2:38, 11-81					
CU Potter 22 FG 4th, 9:08, 10-82					
Attendance - 74,187 Weather - Sunny, 80°					
Team Statistics		UGA	CU		
First Downs		15	14		
Rushing		121	2		
Passing		22-30	19-37		
Passing Yards		135	178		
Total Offense		61-256	60-180		
Rushing (Car-Yards-TD)					
UGA White 13-74-0, Milton 6-27-0, Cook 5-19-0, Johnson 1-6-0, McIntosh 3-1-0, Daniels 2-(-8)-0					
CU Dixon 1-10-0, Shipley 4-7-0, Pace 4-7-0, Uiagalelei 14-(-22)-0					
Passing (Cm-Att-Yards-I-TD)					
UGA Daniels 22-30-135-1-0					
CU Uiagalelei 19-37-178-1-0					
Receiving (Rec-Yards-TD)					
UGA Bowers 6-43-0, Johnson 1-21-0, White 1-13-0, Rosemy-Jacksaint 2-21-0, McConkey 2-12-0, Burton 2-11-0, McIntosh 1-9-0, Cook 4-7-0, Smith 1-6-0, Milton 1-1-0, FitzPatrick 1-0-0					
CU Ngata 6-110-0, Ross 4-26-0, Galloway 3-13-0, Shipley 1-11-0, Allen 2-8-0, Pace 1-6-0, Ladson Jr 1-4-0, Williams 1-0-0					

GAME 2	SC STATE	3
	CLEMSON	49
	SEPT. 11, 2021 MEMORIAL STADIUM • CLEMSON, S.C.	

CLEMSON, S.C. – Five different Tigers found the end zone and Clemson amassed 262 passing and 242 rushing yards, as the sixth-ranked Tigers downed SC State, 49-3. A stadium full of 78,609 fans gathered to celebrate Clemson's first home contest of the season, as well as tributes to 9/11 first responders and C.J. Spiller's College Football Hall of Fame induction.

DJ Uiagalelei finished the day 14-for-24 for 171 yards and a touchdown while also scampering for 23 yards and two touchdowns on five carries. Will Shipley led the Tigers' ground game, carrying the ball 80 yards on eight carries for two touchdowns. Thirteen different players caught a pass, led by Justyn Ross, who scored his first touchdown since the 2019 ACC Championship Game vs. Virginia prior to missing the 2020 season.

Clemson's defense held SC State to 235 total yards of offense and held an opponent without an offensive touchdown for the second-straight game. Ruke Orhoro and Jeremiah Trotter, Jr. tied for the team lead in tackles with five each, while Trotter led the team in solo tackles with four. Clemson tallied one sack on the day but combined for 10 tackles for loss.

The bulk of the Tigers' offense came in the first quarter, when Clemson put up 28 consecutive points in the opening frame. The Tigers jumped out to a 35-0 lead with just under 7:00 left in the second quarter, before the Bulldogs got on the board just before half with a 27-yard field goal.

GAME STATS

SC State	0	3	0	0	3
Clemson	28	7	14	0	49
CU Uiagalelei 4 rush (Potter kick) 1st, 9-72, 3:20					
CU Shipley 7 rush (Potter kick) 1st, 7-67, 2:49					
CU Pace 2 rush (Potter kick) 1st, 8-56, 2:13					
CU Ross 11 pass from Uiagalelei (Potter kick) 1st, 1-11, 0:06					
CU Uiagalelei 5 rush (Potter kick) 2nd, 6-84, 2:22					
SCS Roberts 27 FG 2nd, 6-26, 1:45					
CU Shipley 13 rush (Potter kick) 3rd, 9-65, 3:44					
CU Dixon 14 pass from Phommachanh (Potter kick) 3rd, 10-63, 3:31					
Attendance - 78,609 Weather - Sunny, 83°					
Team Statistics		SCS		CU	
First Downs		9		26	
Rushing		103		242	
Passing		10-27		23-39	
Passing Yards		132		262	
Total Offense		61-235		75-504	
Rushing (Car-Yards-TD)					
SCS Flowers 11-53-0, Hill 6-32-0, Fields Jr. 5-15-0, Walker 5-5-0, Anthony 6-4-0, James 1-(-6)-0					
CU Shipley 8-80-2, Pace 7-68-1, Dixon 4-27-0, Uiagalelei 5-23-2, Taylor 5-20-0, Rencher 4-14-0, Dukes 2-7-0, Phommachanh 1-3-0					
Passing (Cm-Att-Yards-I-TD)					
SCS Fields Jr. 10-24-132-1-0, Hill 0-3-0-0-0					
CU Uiagalelei 14-24-171-1-1, Phommachanh 7-10-75-1-1, Helms 2-5-16-0-0					
Receiving (Rec-Yards-TD)					
SCS Vereen 4-96-0, Flowers 2-20-0, Bailey 2-10-0, Massey 1-8-0, Ellis 1-(-2)-0					
CU Ross 3-52-1, Ngata 3-51-0, B. Collins 3-36-0, Allen 2-24-0, D. Collins 2-18-0, Ajou 2-16-0, Dixon 1-14-1, Stellato 1-12-0, Ladson Jr. 1-11-0, W. Swinney 2-11-0, Williams 1-10-0, D. Swinney 1-4-0, Dukes 1-3-0					