

## GAME 5 CLEMSON (4-0) VS. VIRGINIA TECH (4-0)

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

Lane Stadium (65,632) Kickoff: 8:00 p.m.

### TV: ABC

(Chris Fowler, Kirk Herbstreit, Maria Taylor)

### **CLEMSON RADIO NETWORK**

(Don Munson, Rodney Williams, Sideline: Reggie Merriweather) XM Radio Ch. 84

#### **SERIES HISTORY**

Clemson Leads 21-12-1 at Blacksburg: Clemson leads 8-4 at Clemson: Clemson leads 9-6-1 at Neutral Site: Clemson leads 4-2 ACC Championship Games: Clemson leads 2-0 First Meeting: 12-5 Clemson, 1900 (Charlotte) Last Meeting: Clemson 45-37, 2016 Streak: Clemson won 4 in a row Last Virginia Tech Win:41-23 at Clemson, 2007 Last Va. Tech win at Blacksburgh:

## 2017 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	TV	W-L	Score/Time
Sept. 2	KENT STATE	ESPN	W	56-3
Sept. 9	AUBURN	ESPN	W	14-6
Sept. 16	at Louisville	ABC	W	47-21
Sept. 23	BOSTON COLLEGE	ESPN2	W	34-7
Sept. 30	at Virginia Tech	ABC		8:00 pm
Oct. 7	WAKE FOREST	TBA		Noon
Oct. 13	at Syracuse	ESPN		7p.m.
Oct. 28	GEORGIA TECH			
Nov. 4	at NC State			
Nov. 11	FLORIDA STATE			
Nov. 18	THE CITADEL			
Nov. 25	at South Carolina			

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### **CLEMSON TIGERS**

2017 Record	4-0, 2-0 ACC
Clemson Rankings	#2 AP, #2 Coaches
Location	Clemson, S.C.
Colors	Clemson Orange & Regalia
Enrollment	23,406
Director of Athletics	Dan Radakovich (Indiana (Pa.) '80)
Head Coach	Dabo Swinney (Alabama '93)
Clemson Record (	9th full season) 93-28 (.769)
Away & Neutral R	ecord 38-21 (.644)
Home	55-7 (.8857
vs. ACC Teams	59-16 (.787)
vs. Virginia Tech	4-0
Co-Offensive Coordina	ators Tony Elliott, Jeff Scott
<b>Defensive Coordinator</b>	Brent Venables
Twitter /Instagram	@ClemsonFB
Web	ClemsonTigers.com

#### VIRGINIA TECH HOKIES

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2017 Record:		4-0 overall, 0-0 ACC
Virginia Tech Rank	ings	#12 AP, #12 Coaches
Location:		Blacksburg, Va
Colors:	Chica	ago Maroon & Burnt Orange
Enrollment:		31,000
Athletic Director:		Whit Babcock
Head Coach:	Justin	n Fuente (Murray State '99)
Virginia Tech Re	ecord:	14-4 (2nd year)
Overall:		40-27 (6th year)
vs Clemson:		0-1
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## **MEDIA INFORMATION**

### **DABO SWINNEY PRESS CONFERENCE**

Head Coach Dabo Swinney will hold his weekly press conference at the Team Room on the second floor of the Reeves Football Operations Building each Tuesday at 11 a.m. Clemson players will be available after Swinney's press conference in the Poe Indoor Football Facility. Coach Swinney's press conference will be available over clemsontigers.com. An abbreviated transcript of his press conference also will be available.

## SWINNEY SUNDAY TELECONFERENCE

Head Coach Dabo Swinney will hold a teleconference each Sunday at 6 p.m. Contact Tim Bourret to access for call. The first call will be September 3.

## **CLEMSON PLAYER INTERVIEWS**

Clemson student-athlete interviews are held each Monday and Tuesday on in the Poe Indoor Football Facility. Contact Tim Bourret each Sunday by 4 p.m. with your requests for the week. The first players on Monday usually start at 11:00 a.m. Players are also available after Coach Swinney's Tuesday press conference at the West Endzone.

### **CLEMSON COORDINATORS**

A Clemson offensive coordinator, either Tony Elliott or Jeff Scott, will be available on Mondays at 11:45 a.m. at the Poe Indoor Facility. Defensive Coordinator Brent Venables will be available at the Poe Indoor Facility on Tuesdays some time after Dabo Swinney's press conference.

### **CLEMSON PERSONNEL UPDATE**

- •Richard Yeargin (DE) out for year, neck
- •Tucker Israel (QB) out indefinitely with an illness.
- •Garrett Williams (FB) Out indefinitely with a torn ACL suffered last spring.
- •D.J. Greenlee (TE), questionable, knee vs. Louisville.
- Marcus Edmond (DB) foot vs. Auburn, questionable
- •Logan Rudolph (DE), shoulder, out for year
- •Greg Huegel (PK), knee, out for year
- •Mark Fields (CB), glute, questionable

•Trayvon Mullen (CB), concussion protocol, questionable

## **ACC TELECONFERENCE**

The ACC holds a teleconference for the media every Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. throughout the season. Each coach has a 10 minute period on the conference. Each teleconference available at theacc.com. Contact the ACC for the teleconference phone number.

Head Coach, School	Time
Brian Kelly, Notre Dame	#10:20 a.n.
Bronco Mendenhall, Virginia	10:30 a.m.
Dabo Swinney, Clemson	10:40 a.m.
Jimbo Fisher, Florida State	10:50 a.m.
Bobby Petrino, Louisville	11:00 a.m.
Dino Babers, Syracuse	11:10 a.m.
Paul Johnson, Georgia Tech	11:30 a.m.
Larry Fedora, North Carolina	11:40 a.m.
Justin Fuente, Virginia Tech	11:50 a.m.
Dave Clawson, Wake Forest	Noon
Pat Narduzzi, Pittsburgh	12:10 p.m.
Steve Addazio, Boston College	12:20 a.m.
David Cutcliffe, Duke	12.30 p.m.
Dave Doeren, NC State	12:40 p.m.
Mark Richt, Miami (FL)	12.50 p.m
#only when Notre Dame plays an A	CC Opponent

#### Inside Clemson Football with Dabo Swinney

City	Day (time)
Columbia	Sunday (10:30 am
Myrtle Beach	Sunday (11:30 am
Charleston	Sunday (12:30 pm
Augusta	Sunday (2:30 pm)
Spartanburg	Monday (7:30 pm)
Savannah	Tuesday (6:30 pm)
	Tuesday (5:30 pm)
	Columbia Myrtle Beach Charleston Augusta Spartanburg



20	17 S	TAND	INGS	
Atlantic Division	ACC	Home	Away	Overall
Clemson	2-0	3-0	1-0	4-0
Wake Forest	1-0	2-0	2-0	4-0
NC State	1-0	2-0	1-0	3-1
Louisville	1-1	1-1	1-0	3-1
Syracuse	0-0	2-1	0-1	2-2
Florida State	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-2
Boston College	0-2	0-2	1-1	1-3
Coastal Division	ACC	Home	Away	Overall
Duke	1-0	3-0	0-1	4-0
Georgia Tech	1-0	2-0	0-0	2-1
Virginia Tech	0-0	2-0	2-0	4-0
Miami	0-0	2-0	0-0	2-0
Virginia	0-0	2-1	1-0	3-1
Pittsburgh	0-1	1-1	0-2	1-3
North Carolina	0-2	0-3	1-0	1-3

## THIS WEEK'S GAMES

September 29, 2017 Miami (FL) at Duke	ESPN 7 p.m.
September 30, 2017	
Rice at Pittsburgh	RSN Noon
North Carolina at Georgia Tech	ESPN2 Noon
Syracuse at NC State	ACC Net 12:20 p.m.
Central Michigan at Boston College	ACC Ex 1 p.m.
Florida State at Wake Forest	ABC/ESPN2 3:30 pm
Murray State at Louisvile	RSN 3:30 pm
Clemson at Virginia Tech	ABC 8 p.m.

## **CLEMSON PRONUNCIATIONS**

Dabo Swinney	DA-boh SWEE-nee
Justin Falcinelli	fal-sih-NEHL-ee
Clelin Ferrell	CLEE-lihn
Greg Huegel	Rhymes with Bugle
Travis Etienne	ETN
Trevion Thompson	TRAY-vee-ahn
K'Von Wallace	KAY-Vahn
A.J. Terrell	teh-REHL
Kyle Cote	COHT-ee
James Skalski	SKAL-skee

#### Clemson vs. Virginia Tech Series

Clemson has a 21-12-1 lead in the series with Virginia Tech. Clemson's 23-3 victory on October 1, 2011 in Blacksburg ended Virginia Tech's five-game winning streak in the series. Clemson had not defeated Virginia Tech since 1989 prior to the victory at Virginia Tech in 2011. Clemson has now won four in a row over Virginia Tech, including a pair of ACC Championships, one in 2011 and one in 2016.

The Tigers defeated Virginia Tech twice in 2011, 23-3 at Blacksburg and 38-10 in the ACC Championship in Charlotte. It Is the only time Clemson has beaten the same school twice in the same year. So after not defeating Virginia Tech since 1989, the Tigers outscored the Hokies 61-13 in the two games in 2011.

Clemson then defeated Virginia Tech 38-17 in the regular season at Clemson in 2012 and last year in the ACC Championship game, 42-35.

Dabo Swinney is 4-0 vs. Virginia Tech by an average score of 35.3 to 16.

The five consecutive Virginia Tech wins between 1998-07 took place in three different stadiums. Virginia Tech won at Clemson over Tommy West's final team in 1998 by a 37-0 score, then won at Blacksburg the following year by a 31-11 score against Tommy Bowden's first Clemson team. Virginia Tech then defeated Clemson 41-20 behind Michael Vick at the 2001 Gator Bowl (end of 2000 season). Tech won in 2006 at Blacksburg on a Thursday night in November, and 2007 at Clemson. Clemson was 7-1 and ranked in the top 10 entering that 2006 game after beating Georgia Tech 31-7 the previous Saturday.

Here are some other notes on the series:

•The Clemson vs. Virginia Tech series is one of the oldest in the Clemson history books. The two teams first met in 1900 when the Tigers won 17-5 during John Heisman's first year as head coach. That was Clemson's fifth straight win in a 6-0 season in Heisman's first That game was played in Charlotte, NC.

•Clemson has a 6-3 advantage in the series in games played in Blacksburg, including a 4-2 lead in Lane Stadium. The two teams are not scheduled to play again in the regular season until 2024 at Clemson and Clemson won't come back to Blacksburg until 2031 if the rotation remains the same.

•Virginia Tech won the 1999 game in Blacksburg, a 31-11 victory in a Thursday night game on ESPN. Clemson trailed just 17-11 late in the game, but Virginia Tech scored two touchdowns in the last four minutes. Clemson held Michael Vick to 7-16 passing for 88 yards and intercepted three of his passes, the most effective pass defense against Vick during that season. That Virginia Tech team went on to play Florida State for the National Champion-

•The 1956 Clemson vs. Virginia Tech game was a battle of top 15 teams. That game took place at Clemson and the Tigers won, 21-6. That was the first battle of top 20 teams in the history of Death Valley.

•Virginia Tech upset Clemson in the season opener at Clemson in 1986 by a 20-14 score behind coach Bill Dooley. That was one of just two season opening losses in Danny Ford's Clemson career, and the Tigers lost just two games that season and went on to win the ACC.

A blocked punt by Virginia Tech's Mitch Dove was a key play in the game. Clemson's punter that day was Bill Spiers, who went on to a 13-year major league baseball career. He is now on Dabo Swinney's staff as a student assistant coach as he has come back to Clemson to finish his degree requirements. His son, Will Spiers, is Clemson's starting punter and currently ranks fifth in the nation in punting.

•Clemson won the 1985 game at Virginia Tech by a 20-17 score on a 36-yard field goal by David Treadwell on the last play of the game. That was the season opener for both teams. Clemson had five turnovers in that game, yet won. Clemson did not win another game in which it committed five turnovers until the 2016 Louisville game.

•Clemson had a three-game winning streak in the series between 1987-89. Clemson's defense was prominent, allowing just 24 points and two offensive touchdowns in those three games combined. All three of those Clemson wins were against Frank Beamer, who came to Virginia Tech as head coach in 1987.

•Frank Beamer had a 2-2 record against Clemson in Memorial Stadium and was 5-6 against the Tigers overall. He was 2-3 against the Tigers in Lane Stadium. Dabo Swinney was 2-0 vs. Beamer.

#### Last Year vs. Virginia Tech December 3, 2016 at Orlando, Fla.

Deshaun Watson accounted for five touchdowns and a Cordrea Tankersley ended a Virginia Tech threat with his second interception as the No. 3 Clemson Tigers defeated No. 19 (AP) Virginia Tech to win the program's 16th ACC Championship at Camping World Stadium in Orlando, Fla. Clemson improved to 12-1 with the victory and earned a bid to the College Football Playoff the next day.

Watson threw for 288 vards and three scores, and added 85 yards rushing and two more scores in collecting game Most Valuable Player honors. Tankersley's second interception of the game came with Virginia Tech facing a fourth-and-six from the Clemson 23 with under 90 seconds left.

Clemson had a balanced receiving contingent as no player had more than 69 yards receiving, but five had at least 46 yards. Deon Cain had two catches for 69 yards, Mike Williams had 5-57 and Artavis Scott had 7-48. Tight end Jordan Leggett had two touchdown catches off his 4-49 performance, and Hunter Renfrow had two catches for 46 yards and a score.

Kendall Joseph, who had a quarterback hurry on Tankersley's interception, led the Tigers with 11 tackles, while Ben Boulware added 10. Reserve Jalen Williams added nine. Freshman Dexter Lawrence had an active night with two sacks.

Clemson wasted little time in building a 14-0 lead after two possessions. Watson was sharp, completing his first 10 passes, giving him a Clemson record 19 in a row over two games. He ran for the first touchdown on a three-vard run to complete a nine-play 75-vard drive that look the opening 3:13 of the game. On Clemson's second possession he found Leggett for a 21-yard scoring pass that ended a nine-play 83-yard drive.

## **NATIONAL RANKINGS**

#### ASSOCIATED PRESS (SEPTEMBER 24, 2017)

Rk School (1st place)	Rec	Pts
<ol> <li>Alabama (52)</li> </ol>	4-0	1515
2. Clemson (8)	4-0	1458
<ol><li>Oklahoma (1)</li></ol>	4-0	1432
<ol><li>Penn State</li></ol>	4-0	1304
<ol><li>Southern California</li></ol>	4-0	1247
6. Washington	4-0	1188
7. Georgia	4-0	1136
8. Michigan	4-0	1088
9. TCU	4-0	1028
10. Wisconsin	3-0	1023
11. Ohio State	3-1	1016
12. Virginia Tech	4-0	828
13. Auburn	3-1	701
14. Miami (FL)	2-0	693
15. Oklahoma State	3-1	665
16. Washington State	4-0	551
17. Louisville	3-1	502
18. South Florida	4-0	406
19. San Diego State	4-0	365
20. Utah	4-0	356
21. Florida	2-1	342
22. Notre Dame	3-1	246
23. West Virginia	3-1	212
24. Mississippi State	3-1	148
25. LSU	3-1	92

#### OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES:

NC STATE 87, DUKE 79, TEXAS TECH 40, FLORIDA STATE 35, MEMPHIS 26, IOWA 16, STANFORD 8, CALIFORNIA 7, COLORADO 5, UCF 4, MINNESOTA 3, KANSAS STATE 3, OREGON 3, TENNESSEE 1, WAKE FOREST 1

## AMWAY USA TODAY COACHES (SEPTEMBER 24, 2017)

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Rk School (1st place)	Rec	Pts Pts
<ol> <li>Alabama (59)</li> </ol>	4-0	1570
<ol><li>Clemson (4)</li></ol>	4-0	1499
<ol><li>Oklahoma</li></ol>	4-0	1443
4. Penn State	4-0	1328
<ol><li>Southern Cal</li></ol>	4-0	1306
6. Washington	4-0	1277
7. Michigan	4-0	1152
8. Georgia	4-0	1089
9. Ohio State	3-1	1066
10. Wisconsin	3-0	1029
11.TCU	4-0	985
12. Virginia Tech	4-0	877
13. Miami (FL)	2-0	775
<ol><li>14. Oklahoma State</li></ol>	3-1	687
15. Auburn	3-1	664
16. Washington State	4-0	574
17. South Florida	4-0	522
18. Louisville	3-1	505
19. Utah	4-0	437
20. Florida	2-1	345
21. San Diego State	4-0	315
22. LSU	3-1	221
23. West Virginia	3-1	184
24. Mississippi State	3-1	132
25. Florida State	0-2	104

Others receiving votes: Notre Dame 100, Duke 93, NC State 54, Memphis 44, Kansas State 27, Wake Forest 15, Minnesota 15, UCF 13, Stanford 12, Texas Tech 11, Iowa 9, Oregon 9, Tennessee 7, South Carolina 6, Navy 6, Georgia Tech 6, Texas A&M 4, Colorado 3, Maryland 1, Appalachian State 1, Troy 1

Fulltime Coaches in Press Box: Tony Elliott, Danny Pearman.

Tech came back with a 77-yard drive in 11 plays. The big play came on a fake punt on a fourth-and-10 play from the Virginia Tech 38. The 20-yard pass play gave Virginia Tech momentum and they scored on a one-yard run by Travon McMillian with 51 seconds left in the period.

Watson and Leggett connected again for a score in the second period, this time a 10-yard aerial that culminated a 75-yard drive that took 10 plays. But, Virginia Tech scored again in the second period with 4:09 left to keep the margin just seven points in Clemson's favor. Quarterback Jerod Evans found wide receiver Isaiah Ford open for 53 yards and that play set up an 11-yard scoring run for Evans, who ran for 46 yards and two scores and threw for 264 and a score on the day.

Watson threw an interception on Clemson's first possession of the second half, but the Clemson defense came through with a three-and-out, giving the momentum back to Clemson.

The Tigers then scored on an eightyard run by Wayne Gallman to take a 28-14 lead with 9:17 left in the third. The Tigers scored again late in the third. Watson hit Cain for a 39-yard gain that moved the ball to the Virginia Tech 12. Watson scored on a two-yard run to give the Tigers a 35-14 lead.

But Tech scored with 2:18 left in the third on McMillian's second touchdown of the game, a 27-yard run to make the score 35-21 entering the fourth.

Tech scored on its first possession of the fourth on Evans second rushing touchdown of the day. But the Tigers came back on the next drive as Watson hit Renfrow in the right flat and the sophomore turned up field on the sidelines and scored to give Clemson another 14-point lead.

Tech made it a one-score game on the next possession on another scoring pass by Evans. The Tigers went three-and-out and Virginia Tech took over with 4:03 to go at their 41 with a chance to tie. But on the ninth play of the drive, Tankersley made his big play with an interception at the Clemson 14 and the Tigers ran out the final 1:11 to win their second straight ACC title.

The victory gave Clemson consecutive ACC titles for the first time in 28 years and their third in the last six years, all under Dabo Swinney.

#### **CLEMSON VETERANS VS. VIRGINIA TECH**

**Austin Bryant (DE)** – Had two tackles in 23 plays, including 0.5 tackles for loss, in 2016 game vs. Virginia Tech.

Ryan Carter (DB) – Had three tackles and one pass breakup in 53 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Marcus Edmond (CB) – Had two tackles in 32 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Clelin Ferrell (DE) – Had six tackles, including two tackles for loss, one being a sack, in 69 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Mark Fields (CB) – Played in seven snaps in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Albert Huggins (DT)** – Had two tackles in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Kendall Joseph (LB)** – Had 11 tackles in 72 plays, including one tackle for loss, in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Dexter Lawrence (DT)** – Had three tackles,

including two sacks, in 69 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Tanner Muse (S)** – Had one tackle in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Dorian O'Daniel (LB)** – Had one tackle in six plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Van Smith (S) – Had five tackles in 72 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Christian Wilkins (DL)** – Had two tackles in 52 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Jalen Williams (LB) – Had seven tackles in 56 plays, including one tackle for loss, in 2016 game vs. Virginia Tech.

Adam Choice (RB) – Did not play in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**CJ Fuller (RB)** – Had five tackles in 40 plays in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Tavien Feaster (RB) – Did not play in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

Hunter Renfrow (WR/P) – Had two catches for 46 yards and one receiving touchdown in 2016 game vs. Virginia Tech.

Ray-Ray McCloud (WR) – Had one catch for nine yards in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech. Deon Cain (WR) – Had two catches for 69 yards in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

**Cornell Powell (WR)** – Did not play in 2016 game vs Virginia Tech.

#### Clemson 38, Virginia Tech 10 2011 ACC Championship Game Charlotte, NC

Two weeks of frustration were cured in just over one quarter at Bank of America Stadium as #21 Clemson scored 28 points in the first 17 minutes of the second half to defeat #3 Virginia Tech by a score of 38-10 to win its first ACC Championship since 1991. The victory tied for the highest ranked team Clemson has beaten (at the time) in its history.

With the game tied 10-10 at half-time, Clemson forced the Hokies to a three-and-out on their first possession of the third quarter and then used a 10-play, 87-yard drive to regain the lead for good. Tajh Boyd, who was named game MVP, threw his second of three touchdown passes with an eight-yard pass to tight end Dwayne Allen to cap the drive.

Allen and Boyd hooked up for a 24-yard touchdown in the first quarter as well. Boyd finished the game 20-29 passing for 240 yards and three touchdowns against no interceptions. In the process, he set Clemson single-season records for total yards and passing yards.

It was a nice comeback for Boyd, who had struggled in the previous two games.

Boyd was even more proud on the Tigers' next possession, as he hit Sammy Watkins in stride for a 53-yard touchdown pass that gave Clemson a 24-10 lead.

After another three-and-out forced by the Clemson defense, which held ACC Player-of-the-Year David Wilson to only 32 yards on 11 carries in the game, the Tigers scored again, this time on a 29-yard touchdown run by Andre Ellington. The Clemson running back finished with 125 yards on 20 carries.

Clemson finished the game with 217 rushing yards, while the Hokies were limited to 56 yards on the ground.

Boyd added his fourth touchdown of the night to cap the night's scoring with a oneyard plunge with 13:04 left in the game.

### Pearman Coached at Both Schools

Danny Pearman has worked for both teams in Saturday's contest. Pearman is currently Clemson's assistant head coach, special teams coordinator and tight ends coach. The 1987 Clemson graduate is in his ninth year overall at Clemson as a full-time coach. He served as a graduate assistant at Clemson for the 1988 and 1989 seasons. Clemson is 89-26 with Pearman as a head coach with seven top 25 final rankings.

Pearman coached under Frank Beamer at Virginia Tech from 1998 to 2005. During that time the Hokies played in eight bowl games in eight seasons. That includes an 11-1 record in 1999 when they faced Florida State for the National Championship in the Sugar Bowl. Virginia Tech won at least 10 games in five of those eight seasons, including 2004 when the Hokies won the ACC title and played in the Sugar Bowl.

#### Tigers from Virginia

Clemson has five players on its roster from the state of Virgin-The most prominent is defensive end Clelin Ferrell of Richmond and Benedictine High School. Ferrell was the defensive MVP of the Fiesta Bowl victory over Ohio State last year. Chad Smith and K'Von Wallace are both reserves who see considerable action on defense. Jordan Williams is a defensive end from Virginia Beach who is red-shirting this year.

#### Clemson Players from Virginia

No	Name	Pos	Hometown	High School
99	Clelin Ferrell	DE	Richmond	Benedictine
41	Connor Sekas	LB	Vienna	James Madison
43	Chad Smith	LB	Sterling	Dominioin
12	K'Von Wallace	DB	Richmond	Highland Springs
59	Jordan Williams	DL	Virginia Beach	Frank Cox
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#### Hearn's 12-Yard carry

Clemson starting offensive guard Taylor Hearn had a 12-yard run in the second period on Clemson's 13-play 94-yard touchdown drive that gave the Tigers a 7-0 lead. It was the only touchdown of the first three quarters for the Tigers. Clemson quarterback Kelly Bryant was hit hard and fumbled the ball. Hearn recovered and ran 12 yards for a first down at the Clemson 40.

Hearn's 12-yard run was the longest by a Clemson offensive lineman since 1966 when All-American Clemson guard Harry Olszewski had a 12-yard run for a touchdown against South Carolina in the final game of the season. The Tigers won that game 35-10 to clinch the ACC

Hearn was the ACC Offensive Lineman for his play at Louisville earlier this year.

#### The Fourth Quarter vs. Boston College

Clemson outscored Boston College 27-0 in the fourth period. It was the most points scored in the fourth quarter by the Tigers since October 31, 2009 when the Tigers scored 28 points in the fourth period in a 49-3 Clemson win over Coastal Carolina.

It was the most points scored by the Tigers in the fourth period of a conference game since 1988 when the Tigers scored 28 in the fourth period at Maryland in a 49-25 win that clinched the ACC championship.

It was just the sixth time Clemson scored 27 points or more in the fourth period in Clemson history.

Clemson's fourth period offense featured 11 first downs, 21 rushes for 164 yards and 4-6 passing for 49 yards. Clemson ran 27 plays for 213 yards in the fourth period.

## Bryant Starts 4-0 at QB1

Kelly Bryant has won his first four games as Clemson's starting quarterback, the first Tiger QB1 to do that since Tajh Boyd won his first eight starts in 2011. Deshaun Watson won his first three, then was charged with the loss against Georgia Tech in 2014 when he played just the first quarter before suffering a knee injury.

Cullen Harper also won his first four starts in 2007, but prior to that you have to go back to 1989 when Chris Morocco did it.

If Kelly starts a win over No 12 Virginia Tech on Saturday he would join Boyd as the only Clemson quarterbacks to win their first three games against top 25 opponents. Boyd beat ranked teams from Auburn, Florida State and Virginia Tech in his first three games against top 25 teams in 2011. Ironically, the third win in the streak was at 11th ranked Virginia Tech, a 23-3 Clemson win. Bryant will try to join him in the same stadium against a #12 Hokie team.

Kelly's streak would be a little more significant in that it would be against top 15 teams in Auburn (13), Louisville (14) and Virginia Tech (12).

#### **Bryant in the National Rankings**

Kelly Bryant is off a great start as Clemson quarterback having completed 79 of 103 passes for 873 yards and two scores. He has added 66 carries for 268 yards, a 4.1 rushing average with seven rushing touchdowns. He is averaging 285 yards a game in total offense.

Nationally, Bryant is third (not just quarterbacks, all positions) in rushing touchdowns with seven, ranked 16th in scoring at 10.5 points per game, and is 18th in completion percentage at .680.

One hidden stat on Bryant is his ability to get the Tigers out of trouble when the Tigers are backed up inside their own 20. So far this year in those situations he has completed 12 of 13 passes for 116 yards and six first downs. Through four games he is first in the nation in completion percentage on plays run inside your own 20 (min of 10 attempts).

#### Clemson's Four Horsemen

Clemson has had a running back by committee so far this year with four different backs seeing time. Freshman Travis Etienne leads the team in rushing in limited appearances with 292 yards on just 23 carries, a 12.7 average, and four scores. Sophomore Tavien Feaster has 37 rushes for 256 yards and a touchdown, while Adam Choice has 21-115 and three scores. C.J. Fuller has 22-108 and two scores.

As a group through four games, the four Clemson running backs collectively have 105 rushes for 771 yards and 10 touchdowns. That is 193 rushing yards per game, a 7.3 average and 2.5 touchdowns

Of course we are not counting Kelly Bryant in this chart, Clemson's starting quarterback who has 268 yards rushing on 66 carries and seven scores. He is second on the team in rushing and leads the team in rushing touchdown. As a team Clemson is 13th in the nation in rushing

In 1924, Notre Dame's Four Horseman backfield led Notre Dame to a mythical National Championship with a 10-0 record. The backfield of Jim Crowley, Elmer Layden, Don Miller and harry Stuhldreher finished the regular season (bowl games did not count in stats then) with 350 carries for 1944 yards and 19 touchdowns in nine games.

That computes to a per game average of 39 rushes for 216 yards and 2.1 rushing touchdowns. The Four Horsemen averaged 5.6 yards a carry that year.

Of course a big difference is that Clemson's backs are on the field one at a time. All four of the Notre Dame's famous backfield played at the same time.

## Clemson Running Backs 2017

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Name	GP	Att-Yds	Avg	TD	
Travis Etienne	3	23-256	12.7	4	
Tavien Feaster	4	39-256	6.4	1	
Adam Choice	4	21-115	5.2	3	
C.J. Fuller	4	22-108	4.8	2	
Totals	4	105-771	7.3	10	
Per Game		26.6-193	7.3	2.5	

#### Notre Dame's Four Horsemen of 1924

Name Name	GP	Att-Yds	Avg	TD
Don Miller	9	107-763	7.1	5
Jim Crowley	9	131-739	5.6	6
Elmer Layden	9	111-423	3.8	5
Harry Stuhldreher	9	17-19	1.1	3
Totals	9	350-1944	5.6	19
Per Game		39-216	5.6	2.1

#### Clemson Rushing Offense and Rushing Defense

For many years you have heard coaches say it is important to run the ball and stop the run. One stat shows that has been important under Dabo Swinney. The Tigers are now 42-1 under Swinney when rushing for at least 200 yards and have won 38 in a row dating to a loss to Georgia Tech in the 2009 ACC Championship game. Clemson is 3-0 this year in that situation.

So far this year Clemson has also stopped the run, allowing just 92.5 rushing yards per game. Clemson is 12th in the nation in rushing defense with that 92.5 figure and 13th in the nation in rushing offense, gaining 272 yards per game.



## Etienne Second in Nation in yards/Rush

Travis Etienne has 292 yards rushing on just 23 carries so far this year. He is coming off a game in which he averaged 12.6 yards a rush against Boston College as he had 113 yards on just nine attempts. He only played 13 snaps in the game. Eitenne (pronounced E T N) is second in the nation in yards per game. Only Mark Walton of Miami (FL) has a higher average at 13.04 yards per rush.

#### FBS Leaders in yards/Rush

Rk	Player, School	CI	GP	Att	Yds	TD	Avg
1.	Mark Walton, Miami	Jr.	2	27	352	3	13.04
2.	Travis Etienne, Clemson	Fr.	3	23	292	4	12.70
3.	Greg Howell, FAU	Sr.	3	17	206	1	12.12
4.	McKenzie Milton, UCF	So.	2	9	98	0	10.89
5.	Bryce Love, Stanford	Jr.	4	73	787	5	10.78
6.	Dexter Williams, ND	Jr.	4	20	214	4	10.70
7.	Abdul Adams, Oklahoma	So.	4	32	330	1	10.31
8.	Ty Johnson, Memphis	Jr.	3	28	281	3	10.04

#### Both Teams in Top Eight of Scoring Margin

Clemson and Virginia Tech are both in the top eight in the nation in scoring margin entering this Saturday's game in Blacksburg. Clemson is eighth in the nation in scoring margin with an average margin of victory of 28.5 points per game. Clemson is the only team on the list below with a pair of top 15 wins so far and Dabo Swinney's team will have a chance for another at  $12^{\rm th}$  ranked Virginia Tech this Saturday. So far this year Clemson has scored 37.7 points per game and allowed just 9.2. The Tigers are third in the nation in scoring defense.

Virginia Tech is better than Clemson with a sixth place ranking in scoring margin. The Hokies are scoring 40 points a game and giving up 10.2 for a +29.8 scoring margin.

## National Leaders in Scoring Margin

School	Offense	Defense	Mar	
Central Florida	49.5	13.5	+36.0	
Wisconsin	42.3	10.0	+33.3	
Washington	44.5	11.8	+32.8	
Penn State	40.4	8.2	+32.3	
Alabama	41.2	10.0	+32.2	
Virginia Tech	40.0	10.2	+29.8	
TCŪ	47.8	18.6	+29.2	
Clemson	37.7	9.2	+28.5	
Oklahoma	48.0	19.5	+28.5	
	Central Florida Wisconsin Washington Penn State Alabama Virginia Tech TCU Clemson	Central Florida       49.5         Wisconsin       42.3         Washington       44.5         Penn State       40.4         Alabama       41.2         Virginia Tech       40.0         TCU       47.8         Clemson       37.7	Central Florida       49.5       13.5         Wisconsin       42.3       10.0         Washington       44.5       11.8         Penn State       40.4       8.2         Alabama       41.2       10.0         Virginia Tech       40.0       10.2         TCU       47.8       18.6         Clemson       37.7       9.2	

### Tigers in Top 25 on Both Sides of the Ball

Clemson has been an outstanding team on both sides of the ball this year in many important categories such as Total offense and total defense, scoring offense and defense, pass efficiency offense and defense, first downs and sacks. Below is a rundown of Clemson data that ranks on both sides of the ball in many important categories..

## Clemson Excelling on Both Sides of the Ball

<u>Category</u>	Offense	<u>Defense</u>
Total	12 <sup>th</sup> (510.3)	3 <sup>rd</sup> (227.0)
Scoring	32 <sup>nd</sup> (37.8)	3 <sup>rd</sup> (9.2)
3 <sup>rd</sup> down	9 <sup>th</sup> (.525)	21st (.288)
First Downs	14 <sup>th</sup> (104)	17 <sup>th</sup> (51)
Rushing	13 <sup>th</sup> (272.0)	12 <sup>th</sup> (92.5)

## Clemson Game Site of ESPN College Gameday for 16th time

Saturday's game in Blacksburg will be the site of ESPN College Gameday. It is the second time in three weeks a Clemson game has been the site of the popular program that usually goes to the top college game of the weekend. Clemson and Virginia Tech is a battle of top 12 teams, the only battle of top 12 teams in college football this weekend. This game and the Southern California vs. Washington State games are the only meetings of 4-0 teams this weekend.

This will be Clemson's  $16^{\rm th}$  appearance for an ESPN College Gameday contest. The Tigers are 8-7 in the previous 15, but have won four in a row and 6 of 7. It is the eighth time Clemson has been involved in the ESPN College Gameday contest in the last three years. Clemson is 4-1 in ESPN College Gameday contests held at Clemson, 3-3 at neutral site and 1-3 on the road. The only win took place this year when Clemson won at Louisville.

### Clemson Games that Have Been Site of ESPN College Gameday (8-7)

<u>Year</u>	Opponent	Site	W-L	CU-Opp
2006	#13 Georgia Tech	Н	W	31-7
2008	#24 Alabama	N	L	10-34
2010	#16 Auburn	Α	L	24-27 (OT)
2011	#23 West Virginia	N	L	33-70
2012	#4 Florida State	Α	L	37-49
2013	#5 Georgia	Н	W	38-35
	#5 Florida State	Н	L	1-51
2014	#1 Florida State	Α	L	17-23 (OT)
2015	#6 Notre Dame	Н	W	24-22
	#3 Oklahoma	N	W	37-17
	#2 Alabama	N	L	40-45
2016	#3 Louisville	Н	W	42-36
	#2 Ohio State	N	W	31-0
	#1 Alabama	N	W	35-31
2017	#14 Louisville	Α	W	47-21
	#12 Virginia Tech	Α		

#### Clemson Defense

The Clemson defense ranks in the top 25 in the nation in a number of categories through four games. That includes third in the nation in scoring defense (9.2), second in sacks (42.5), third in total defense (227), 12<sup>th</sup> in rush defense (92.5), ninth in pass defense (134.5 yards per game),

In recent years, Clemson's 2014 defense is regarded as the best under Dabo Swinney and Brent Venables. That 2014 team finished the season leading the nation in 11 defensive categories, including total defense for just the second time in school history. So far this year the current Clemson defense has comparable numbers in many categories on a per game basis.

Clemson's 2014 defense featured starters Vic Beasley, Grady Jarrett, B.J. Goodson, Stephone Anthony, DeShawn Williams McKensie Alexander and Jayron Kearse. All are on NFL rosters this year. Reserves on the 2014 team included current NFL players Kevin Dodd, Shaq Lawson, Cordrea Tankersley, T.J. Green and Carlos Watkins.

## Offensive12-game Comparison 2016 vs. 2017

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Category	2014	2017		
Record	10-3	4-0		
Points/Game	16.7	9.2		
Touchdowns allowed/Game	2.1	1.0		
Total Defense/Game	260.8	227.0		
Rushing defense	103.4	92.5		
Pass Defense	157.4	134.5		
Pass Efficiency Defense	98.31	96.21		
Yards/Play	4.03	3.6		
Completion %	.500	.485		
Pass Yds/attempt	5.30	5.22		

#### Spiers Fifth in Nation in Punting

Clemson freshman punter Will Spiers is fifth in the nation in punting so far this year with a 47.1 average. The nation's leader is Johnny Townsend of Florida with a 50.8 figure and Spiers is second in the ACC to Ryan Winslow of Pittsburgh who is at 47.3 yards a punt.

Spiers has 17 punts for 801 yards with a long of 64 yards. He has seven punts of 50 yards or more among his 17 attempt and already has eight punts inside the 20. He has three touchbacks.

He is ahead of the Clemson record for a season. Chris Gardocki had a 44.5 average in 1990. Gardocki went on to a 17 year NFL career. Two Clemson punters have finished fourth in the NCAA rankings for a season. David Sims finished fourth in 1979 when he averaged 44.4 yards a punt and Gardocki was fourth in 1990 with that 44.5 average.

Spiers is the son of former Clemson two-sport athlete Bill Spiers. Bill punted for Clemson in 1986 when he answered an advertisement in the Clemson student newspaper. He averaged 39.2 yards a punt that season. Spiers came to Clemson on a baseball scholarship and was an All-American in 1987 when he was the #13 selection of the MLB draft. He played 13 years in the Major Leagues and had 922 hits, more than any other former Tiger in the Majors.

## Tigers Have new Kicker

Clemson lost starting kicker Greg Huegel to a torn ACL on the last play of practice on Wednesday, September 20. He was attempting a

field goal at the end of a two minute drill, something he had done many times and was run into by an on coming rusher. Huegel is eighth in Clemson history in scoring and has been Clemson's top scorer in 2015 and 2016. His 138 points and 27 field goals as a freshman in 2015 are school records.

The next man up is Alex Spence, a scholarship kick who is a red-shirt junior from Florence, SC and West Florence High School. Spence scored for points on PATs against Boston College in his first game and was not asked to attempt a field goal. He now has five kickoffs and one touchback so far this year. He played in three games in 2016 and two in 2015.

#### McCloud Establishes Career High

Ray-Ray McCloud had his most productive game as a Clemson Tiger at Louisville. The junior had a career high 115 receiving yards in the win over Louisville, just the second 100-yard receiving game of his career. He had those yards on seven catches, the second highest total of his Clemson career

McCloud had a highlight play in that contest, a 79-yard scoring pass from Kelly Bryant. That was the longest pass play for the Tigers since 2013 when Tajh Boyd connected with Sammy Watkins on a 96-yard scoring pass at Charlottesville.

McCloud had just two catches against Boston College, but had a 56-yard punt return that led to a fourth-quarter Clemson score.

#### Elliott and Scott Successful at Co-Coordinators

Clemson co-offensive coordinators Tony Elliott and Jeff Scott were teammates at Clemson from 2000-02. In fact, they were pregame stretch partners during that time. Now they have partnered to make Clemson one of the top offenses in the nation.

They began as co-coordinators for the 2014 Russell Athletic Bowl. They succeeded Chad Morris, who left after the 2014 regular season to become the head coach at SMU. In that first game, the Tigers scored 40 points in a 40-6 win over  $25^{\rm th}$  ranked Oklahoma. That tied for the largest margin of victory in school history over a top 25 team.

Elliott and Scott have now been co-coordinators for the Tigers for 35 games and the Tigers are 33-2 in those games. That includes 12 wins over top 25 teams with just one loss (Alabama in 2015 season National Championship game when Clemson scored 40 points and had over 500 yards). The Tigers have scored at least 40 points in 17 of the 35 games, including twice this year.

Clemson has been very consistent under the co-coordinators who are Clemson graduates. In 2015, Clemson averaged 38.5 points per game to rank  $16^{\text{th}}$  in the nation and last year the Tigers were  $14^{\text{th}}$  at 39.2 points per game. Clemson averages 38 points a game so far this year. In terms of total offense, Clemson averaged 514.5 in 2015 for the  $11^{\text{th}}$  best figure in the nation, 503.7 last year to rank  $12^{\text{th}}$  and 510 so far in 2017 to rank  $13^{\text{th}}$ 

Clemson has been very effective early in games since Elliott and Scott became co-coordinators. The Tigers have scored a touchdown on their first possession 12 times in 35 games. That includes two of the four games this year. In the 35 games, Clemson has scored 12 touchdowns, had 13 punts, 1 made field goal, 2 missed field goals, five turnovers, and two fails on fourth downs on the first possession.

## Clemson Coming Off Consecutive Wins over Top 15 Teams

Clemson already has two top 15 wins this year and will attempt to get another against 12th ranked Virginia Tech on Saturday. Clemson defeated a  $13^{\text{th}}$  ranked Auburn team 14-6 on September 9, then downed  $14^{\text{th}}$  ranked Louisville on the road the following week night in dominating fashion. 47-21.

Through four weeks of the college football season Clemson is the only school in the nation to have two wins over top 25 teams, never mind top 15 teams.

As a result, Clemson has improved from No. 5 in the nation in both polls in the preseason, to No. 2 in the nation in both polls for the second straight week. Clemson has now been ranked in the top five of the AP poll for 29 consecutive polls, the longest streak in the nation. Clemson has been in the top 25 for 41 consecutive polls, the third longest active streak in the nation. The Clemson record is 50 consecutive polls ranked.

#### Tigers Defense Holds Off Heisman Winner

Clemson's defense was outstanding against Louisville. Through three periods against Clemson's No. 1 defense, Louisville scored just seven points. With Clemson leading 33-7 entering the fourth period, Lamar Jackson hit his stride against Clemson's reserves, throwing for 199 yards and two touchdowns in the final 15 minutes. He had 201 of his 381 yards of total offense in the fourth period when Clemson was ahead by at least 20 points. The Tigers finished with five sacks by five different players.

One player who stood out was Dorian O'Daniel, who is quickly becoming an ACC Defensive Player of the Year candidate. He had a career high 14 tackles in the win over Auburn when Clemson allowed Auburn just 117 yards of total offense.

Then, at Louisville, the cerebral graduate student from Maryland had six tackles, one tackle for loss and a 44-yard interception return for a touchdown. It was his first career touchdown and the first Clemson defensive player to have a "pick 6" while wearing No. 6.

## Three Tigers Selected as ACC Player of the Week vs. Louisville

Clemson players Kelly Bryant, Taylor Hearn and Will Spiers were all honored by the ACC Sports Media Association as league players of the week for their performances against Louisville. Bryant was selected as ACC Back of the Week, Hearn as the top offensive lineman and Spiers as the Special Teams Player of the Week for their efforts in Clemson's 47-21 victory over 14<sup>th</sup> ranked Louisville.

This is the first time since the 2014 Syracuse game that Clemson has had three ACC Player of the Week selections for the same game. It was the first selection for Bryant, but the  $18^{th}$  time in the last seven years a Clemson quarterback has been named ACC Back of the Week. Tajh Boyd was named nine times between 2011-13 and Deshaun Watson was an eight-time selection from 2014-16.

Bryant completed 22-32 passes fro 316 yards and a touchdown and added 26 yards rushing and two scores. He guided a Clemson offense that did not commit a turnover and gained 613 yards of total offense, the third most yards in Clemson history against a top 25 team and the fifth highest total for a road game. Bryant completed a 79 yard scoring pass to Ray-Ray McCloud, the longest pass by a Clemson quarterback since 2013.

Hearn won ACC Offensive Lineman of the Week honors for the second time in his career. He was also selected for the Auburn game in 2016. He had five knockdown blocks and graded 92 percent for his 77 plays, helping the Tigers to 297 yards rushing.

Spiers was named the ACC Special Teams Player of the Week for the first time as he was playing just his third career game. He had a 51.8 average on four punts, tied for the third best average in Clemson history and best by a Tiger since 1983. Spiers was a major reason Louisville's average starting field position was its own 19-yard-line as three of his four punts were downed inside the 20. Spiers was the first Clemsn punter to win ACC Player of the Week honors since Bradley Pinion in 2014.

#### Bryant Leads the Clemson Offense

Quarterback Kelly Bryant has been outstanding the first three games of the season. During Saturday night's game against Louisville, Deshaun Watson tweeted, "He will be better than me!"

So far Bryant is 74-109, a 68 completion percentage for 873 yards and two touchdowns. He is averaging 8.0 yards per pass attempt and 218 yards per game.

Last year in leading Clemson to the National Championship, Watson completed 67 percent of his passes for 306 yards per game and averaged 7.9 yards per attempt with 17 interceptions. So, Bryant has the advantage in terms of some per game statistics in the small three-game sample size, while Watson is superior in yardage and touchdowns and total offense.

In the win over Louisville, his first road start and first ACC start, Bryant completed 22-32 passes for a career high 316 yards and a touchdown. He added 26 yards rushing and two scores for 342 yards of total offense, his career high. Most importantly, Bryant was 6-of 9 for 99 yards on third down plays and is 12-16 over his last two games on third down.



#### Comparison of Quarterbacks

Category	Watson 2016	Bryant 2017
Pass Att/Game	38.6	27.3
Comp/Game	25.9	18.5
Comp %	.670	.680
Comp % Third Down	.612	.633
Pass Yds/Game	306.2	218.2
Pass Yds/Att	7.93	8.01
Pass Yards/Comp	11.83	11.80
TD Pass/Game	2.73	0.50
Interceptions/Game	1.13	0.80
Rushes/Game	11.1	16.5
Rush Yds/Game	41.7	67.0
Total Off Plays/Game	49.7	43.8
Total Offense/Game	347.9	285.2
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### Clemson Offense Has Been Outstanding

Many national pundits wondered how Clemson would be on offense this year with the graduation of Deshaun Watson, the No. 2 ranked player in Clemson history in total offense and touchdowns responsibility, Wayne Gallman, the No. five ranked rusher in school history, Mike Williams, the No. 4 ranked player in Clemson history in receiving yards, Artavis Scott, Clemson's all-time leader in receptions, and Jordan Leggett, the school record holder in every receiving category for a tight end.

The answer is the Tigers have been just fine, thank you. Clemson is averaging 272 yards a game rushing and 238 passing. Oregon is the only other school at the FBS level averaging at least 235 yards of each category so far this year.

Clemson in 2017 is much superior so far in terms of rushing, averaging 272 yards a game, ahead of the 170 yards per contest by the 2016 team. This year's team is averaging 5.9 yards per rush. That was certainly helped at Louisville by the 81-yard run by freshman Travis Etienne, who finished with 6-98, a 16.3 yard average. His 81-yard scoring run was the longest by any Clemson player since C.J. Spiller had an 83-yard run against Auburn in the 2007 Chick-fil-A Bowl, and longest by a freshman since Bobby Gage went 88 yards for a score against Presbyterian in 1945

FBS Teams Averaging at least 235 yards Game Rushing and Passing

Team	Rush	Pass	<u>Total</u>
Clemson	272.0	238.2	510.2
Oregon	244.0	313.0	557.0

### **Balanced Attack Means Victory**

Clemson had 297 yards rushing and 316 yards passing for 613 total in the win over Louisville. Clemson did all that in 81 plays so the Tigers averaged 7.6 yards per play. The Tigers averaged eight yards a play last year in gaining 507 yards against Louisville in the thrilling 42-36 victory.

That kind of balance means victory for the Tigers. Over the history of Clemson football, the Tigers are now 83-0-1 when gaining at least 200 yards rushing and 200 yards passing in the same game. The Louisville game was the second time Clemson has done it this year, as Clemson had over 300 of each for just the fourth time in school history in the season opener against Kent State. Clemson had 342 yards rushing against Boston College, but just 140 yards passing.

The only blemish on the record was a 24-24 tie at Georgia Tech in 1976.

#### Clemson's Impressive Winningest Era

Clemson has had an incredible run over the last six years. The Tigers have won 35 of their last 37 games dating to 2014 thanks to winning its last three games of 2014, then a pair of 14-1 seasons in 2015 and 2016. That streak includes winning 19 of the last 20 games against ACC teams with the only loss coming to Pittsburgh last year, 43-42 on the last play of the game.

Clemson also has a streak of 11 straight wins on the road and 11 straight away from home against ACC teams. That streak will be tested September 30 when the Tigers travel to Virginia Tech.

### Clemson Football Stretches of Excellence

- •Won 35 of last 37 overall dating to 2014
- •Won 19 of last 20 against ACC Teams
- •Won 11 straight away from home vs. ACC Teams
- •Won 11 straight true road games overall
- •Won 17 of last 18 games away from home overall
- •Won 25 of last 26 and 42 of last 45 at home
- •Won 38 games in a row when rushing for at least 200 yards.
- •Won 19 straight vs. ACC Atlantic
- •Won 12 in a row in September
- •Won 14 in a row in October
- •Won 7 in a row in December
- •Won 48 of last 49 vs. unranked teams
- •Won 12 of last 13 vs. Top 25 teams (ranked in at least one poll)
- •Won 19 of last 20 vs. teams that would end their season in a bowl game
- •Won 22 of last 24 vs. bowl teams dating to 2014 season
- •Won 49 straight games when holding teams under 23 points (dates to 2010)
- •Won 35 in a row when holding teams to less than 40 points.

#### **Bobby Gage Accomplishments Remembered**

The accomplishments of Clemson quarterbacks at the college and NFL level September 14-16 brought some notoriety to the career of former Clemson quarterback Bobby Gage.

First on September 14, Deshaun Watson had a 49-yard run for a score in what proved to be the winning margin for the Houston Texans against the Cincinnati Bengals. That was the longest run by a former Clemson quarterback in an NFL game since Gage had a 97-yard run for a score for the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1949. That is still the longest run in Steelers franchise history.

Then, on Saturday at Louisville, Clemson freshman running back Travis Etienne ran 81 yards for a touchdown in the fourth period. That was the longest run by a Clemson freshman since 1945 when Gage raced 88 yards for a score against Presbyterian.

Gage played for Clemson from 1945-48 and was the No. 6 selection of the 1949 NFL draft by the Steelers. That is still the highest draft selection by a Clemson quarterback. Yes, Gage was even taken higher than Watson, who was the No. 12 selection by Houston last spring.

## Clemson Has Winning Streak vs. 12 of the 13 ACC Teams

Clemson has won 19 of its last 20 games vs. ACC Opponents. That includes a pair of ACC Championship game wins, 2015 vs. North Carolina and 2016 vs. Virginia Tech.

Clemson has won its most recent game against 12 of the 13 other ACC teams and a streak of at least two wins against 11 of the 13. The only ACC team that Clemson has not beaten its most recent meeting is Pittsburgh, who defeated the Tigers last year 43-42 on a field goal on the last play of the game.

This week Clemson meets Virginia Tech, who the Tigers have beaten in each of the last four meetings. Virginia Tech's last win over Clemson came in 2007, a 4-23 Hokies win at Clemson.

#### Clemson Active Winning Streaks vs. ACC Teams

Opponent	Streak	Last Loss
Wake Forest	8	2008 at Wake Forest, 7-12
Boston College	7	2010 at Boston College, 10-16
NC State	5	2011 at NC State, 13-37
Louisville	4	Has not beaten Clemson
Duke	4	2004 at Duke, 13-16
Syracuse	4	1995 at Gator Bowl, 0-41
Virginia Tech	4	2007 at Clemson, 23-41
Virginia	3	2004 at Virginia, 10-30
North Carolina	3	2010 at North Carolina, 16-21
Florida State	2	2014 at Florida State, 17-23 (OT)
Georgia Tech	2	2014 at Georgia Tech, 6-28
Miami (FL)	1	2010 at Clemson, 21-30
Pittsburgh	0	Clemson 0-2 all-time vs. Pittsburgh

**Note:** Clemson also won its last four games against Maryland when the Terps were in the ACC. Their last win over Clemson came in 2009 at Maryland, 21-24. They are now in the Big Ten, but faced Dabo Swinney.

#### Clemson's 11-Game Road Winning Streak

Clemson has won a school record 11 consecutive road games. The win at Louisville broke the school record of 10 that had been set in 1939-40 when Banks McFadden was an All-American for the Tigers.

Clemson lost its last road game of 2014 at Georgia Tech, then went 5-0 in 2015 and 5-0 in 2016 in true road games. The perfect record on the road last year was quite an accomplishment because the Tigers had to win at Auburn, Georgia Tech and Florida State. Clemson had not won at Auburn since 1950, had not won at Georgia Tech since 2003 and had not won at FSU since 2006, and had one just once since 1989.

#### Clemson's Longest Win Streaks on Road

Games	Ended by
11	??
10	at Tulane, 0-13
8	at South Carolina, 9-13
7	at Rice, 7-33
7	at South Carolina, 17-31
	11

#### Clemson's Current 11-game Road Winning Streak

Year	Opponent (Rk)	Cu-Opp
2015	at Louisville	20-17
2015	at Miami (FL)	58-0
2015	at NC State	56-41
2015	at Syracuse	37-27
2015	at South Carolina	37-32
2016	at Auburn	19-13
2016	at Georgia Tech	26-7
2016	at Boston College	56-10
2016	at Florida State (12)	37-34
2016	at Wake Forest	35-13
2017	at Louisville (14)	47-21

### Clemson Defense under Venables

Brent Venables won the Frank Broyles Award as the National Assistant Coach of the Year in 2016. His defense was a big reason Clemson won the National Championship. But, it was not a one-year wonder. His Clemson defenses have been outstanding since he came to Clemson in 2012, but that especially has been the case since 2014. In 2014, Clemson led the nation in 11 categories, including total defense, yards per play, yards per pass attempt and pass efficiency defense.

Clemson ranks third in total defense so far this year, allowing 227 yards per game. Clemson has finished in the top 10 in that area each of the last four years. Clemson is currently third in scoring defense at 9.2 points a game. Clemson also finished in the top 10 in 2014 and 2016. The Tigers are ninth in yards per play allowed at 3.64 so far this year. Clemson finished in the top five in that area in 2014 and 2016.

#### Players of the Game by Clemson Coaches

After each game Clemson coaches select an offensive, defensive and special teams player of the game. Sometimes there are multiple selections. Here are the coach/s choices so far this year.

### Clemson Coaches Player of the Game Selections

_	Opponent	Offense	Defense	Special Teams
	Kent State	K. Bryant	Joseph, A. Bryant	Greg Huegel
	Auburn	K. Bryant, Renfrow	Austin Bryant	Will Spiers
	Louisville	K. Bryant, McCloud	O'Daniel, Lawrence	Spiers, J. Williams
	Boston Co	Etienne, Oline	Joseph, Wilkins	McCloud

## Tigers Averaging 38 Points and 510 Yards

Clemson has averaged 38 points and 510 yards per game through four games this year. If the season ended today, this would be just the fifth Clemson team to average at least 35 points and 500 yards per game over the course of the season. The previous four teams to do it were the 2012, 2013, 2015 and 2016 teams, all coached by Dabo Swinney. Those teams were quarterbacked by Tajh Boyd and Deshaun Watson, the top two quarterbacks in Clemson history in terms of total offense and touchdown production.

### Clemson Teams That Have Averaged 35 Points and 500 Yards

Year	PPG	Total Offense
2012	41.0	512.7
2013	40.2	507.7
2015	38.5	514.5
2016	39.2	503.4
2017	38.0	510.0

## \*Through four games

#### Clemson Travel Roster Notes

Clemson took 72 players to Louisville, the most allowed by the ACC for conference games. The Clemson road roster included 18 freshmen, 23 sophomores, 26 juniors and just five seniors. Seven players on the trip already had their degrees and are considered graduate students, including Justin Falcinelli and Patrick Godfrey who are juniors in terms of athletic eligibility.

Eight of the 18 freshmen are in their first year at Clemson. The eight first-year freshmen are Amari Rodgers, Tee Higgins, A.J. Terrell, Travis Etienne, Hunter Johnson, Will Swinney, Justin Foster and Logan Rudolph.

In terms of the roster by state, 15 different states were represented among the 72 players. As far as the state breakdown, South Carolina led the way with 26, while 13 of the players were from North Carolina and 12 from Georgia. The rest of the breakdown includes Florida with 4, Virginia 3, Maryland 3, Kansas 2, Tennessee 2, Indiana 1, Louisiana 1, Texas 1, Pennsylvania 1, New York 1, Massachusetts 1 and Alabama 1.

#### Austin Bryant National Defensive Player of the Week vs. Auburn

Clemson junior defensive end Austin Bryant was named the National Defensive Player of the week by the Walter Camp Foundation, The Football Writers Association and the Bednarik Award for his performance against Auburn. Bryant had four sacks and seven total tackles in Clemson's 14-6 victory. He tied the Clemson record for sacks in a game with the four as he joined Keith Adams (1999 vs. Duke) and Andre Branch (2011 vs. Virginia Tech).

Bryant was a major reason Clemson had 11 sacks for negative 72 yards in the win over Auburn. Clemson held Auburn to just 117 yards of total offense, just 15 net yards in the second half.

Bryant is the first Clemson defensive player to win the Walter Camp Player of the Week award since Kourtnei Brown was named for his performance against North Carolina in 2011.

#### Tigers Win Another Top 15 matchup for the Tigers

Clemson already has top 15 wins over Auburn and Louisville this season. The Tigers meet another top 15 team at Virignia Tech. This will be Clemson's 11th matchup with a top 15 team in the last 32 games. That dates to October 3, 2015 when 11th ranked Clemson played No. 6 Notre Dame at Clemson in the ABC Saturday Night game of the week. Clemson is 9-1 in Top 15 matchups over the last three years.

## Clemson Top 15 Matchups Since October 2015

Date	Opponent	CU Rk	Opp Rk	W-L	CU-Opp
10-3-2015	Notre Dame	11-12	6-7	W	24-22
12-5-2015	#N. Carolina	1-1	8-8	W	45-37
12-31-2015	#Oklahoma	1-1	4-3	W	37-17
1-11-2016	#Alabama	1-1	2-2	L	40-45
10-1-2016	Louisville	5-3	3-4	W	42-36
10-29-2016	at Florida St.	3-3	12-14	W	37-34
12-31-2016	#Ohio State	3-3	2-2	W	31-0
1-9-2017	#Alabama	3-3	1-1	W	35-31
9-9-2017	Auburn	3-3	13-13	W	14-6
9-16-2016	at Louisville	3-2	14-14	W	47-21

## Clemson Has Won School Record 7 Straight vs. Ranked Teams

Clemson's victory over Louisville on September 16 gave Clemson seven consecutive wins over top 25 teams. The streak dates to last year's 42-36 win over Louisville at Clemson. Louisville was ranked third by AP and fourth by USA Today entering that game. Clemson's last loss to a ranked team was to No. 2 Alabama in the National Championship game at the end of the 2015 season. The Tigers are 12-1 against ranked opponents (ranked in top 25 of either poll, 11-1 vs. AP) since the 2014 bowl win over Oklahoma.

The previous Clemson mark for consecutive wins over ranked



opponents was five set between 2005-07 under Tommy Bowden and 2014-15 under Dabo Swinney.

Clemson's streak includes wins over third-ranked Louisville, second ranked Ohio State and No. 1 ranked Alabama last year. Clemson had never beaten the No. 1 or No 2 ranked teams before last year.

#### Clemson's Current Streak vs. Top 25 Teams

_	Date	Opponent	CU Rk	Opp Rk	W-L	CU-Opp
	10-1-2016	Louisville	5-4	3-4	W	42-36
	10-29-2016	at Florida St.	3-3	12-14	W	37-34
	12-3-2016	Virginia Tech	3-3	19-18	W	42-35
	12-31-2016	Ohio State	3-3	2-2	W	31-0
	1-9-2017	Alabama	3-3	1-1	W	35-31
	9-9-2017	Auburn	3-3	13-13	W	14-6
	9-16-2017	at Louisville	3-2	14-14	W	47-21

#### Tigers Record 11 Sacks vs. Auburn

Clemson had 14 tackles for loss, including 11 sacks in the win over Auburn. That tied for the second most sacks in a game by a Clemson team. The record is 12 sacks against Furman in 1996. The Tigers also had 11 in a win over Utah State in 2004. So, the 11 sacks against Auburn were the most since Dabo Swinney became head coach, and most in school history against a team from a Power Five Conference.

#### Most Sacks by Clemson Defense

Year	Opponent (Score)	Sks-Yds
1996	Furman (19-3)	12-70
2017	Auburn (14-6)	11-72
2004	Utah State (35-6)	11-84
1979	Maryland (0-19)	10-64
1992	Duke (21-6)	10-59
1984	at NC State (35-34)	9-47
1990	at Wake Forest (24-6)	9-58

#### Renfrow Performs in the Clutch

Hunter Renfrow had nine receptions for 62 yards in the victory over Auburn. It was another terrific performance for the junior against teams from the state of Alabama. In Renfrow's three-year and 30-game career he has four games with at least seven receptions and three of them are against SEC schools from the state of Alabama.

Four times Renfrow made a third-down reception that gave Clemson a first down against Auburn, including a third-and-nine with just two minutes left. That 13-yard gain allowed Clemson to continue to hold on to the ball and run out the clock with an 8-point lead. He had five receptions for first downs overall.

Entering the Virginia Tech game, Renfrow has nine third down catches this year for 63 yards. Seven of the nine have gone for first downs. He is tied for third in the nation for the most third down receptions this year. For his career, 23 of his 98 receptions have been third down receptions for a first down.

The one game against a school from Alabama he did not have at least seven receptions, the season opener at Auburn in 2016, he had a 16-yard touchdown reception that proved to be the winning margin in a 19-13 Clemson victory.

In four games against SEC teams from the state of Alabama, Renfrow has 29 receptions for 269 yards and five touchdowns. The Tigers are 3-1 in those games. For his career, he has 98 catches for 1,189 yards and 11 touchdowns.

## **Hunter Renfrow's Top Reception games**

Year	Opponent	Rec-Yds
2015	Alabama	7-88-2
2016	Auburn	3-27-1
	Alabama	10-92-2
2017	Auburn	9-62-0
		29-269-5

#### O'Daniel Established Career High

Dorian O'Daniel has been known as the Georgia Tech option stopper prior to this year. In 42 career games heading into this year, each of his top three tackle games had come against the Yellow Jackets. He had 10 tackles at Tech as a freshman in 2014, then eight each of the last two years in wins over Georgia Tech.

But, O'Daniel topped that with his performance against Auburn on September 9. O'Daniel had 14 tackles against the Tigers from

Alabama, his career high by four stops. O'Daniel's 14 tackles are the most by a Clemson player since Ben Boulware had 17 in the win over Louisville last year. O'Daniel had 10 first hits in the game and 10 tackles in the first half.

O'Daniel leads Clemson in tackles so far this year with 28.

### Clemson 42-1 under Swinney With 200 Yards Rushing

Clemson has some strong indicators of victory under Dabo Swinney. Some records also go against common theories of football.

For instance, Clemson is 13-2 when losing the turnover margin over the last three years. That includes a 2-0 record this year as Clemson lost the turnover margin against Kent State and Auburn.

Rushing for 200 yards is an indicator of victory for the Tigers. Clemson is 42-1 under Swinney when rushing for at least 200 yards and has won 38 in a row dating to a loss to Georgia Tech in the 2009 ACC Championship game.

The Tigers have also been outstanding when it comes to leading going into the fourth period. The Tigers are 81-5 under Swinney when leading entering the fourth period, including a 65-2 record since beginning of 2011 season.

## Clemson's Record under Dabo Swinney....

Category	2017	Overall
All Games	4-0	93-28
Scoring First	3-0	68-18
Leading end of 1st Quarter	1-0	59-10
Tied end of 1st Quarter	2-0	17-5
Trailing end of 1st Quarter	1-0	16-13
Leading at half	4-0	78-8
Tied at Half	0-0	5-2
Trailing at Half	0-0	10-18
Leading end of 3rd Quarter	3-0	81-5
Tied at end of 3rd Quarter	1-0	4-2
Trail end of 3rd Quarter	0-0	8-22
Overtime	0-0	2-2
More Total Offense	4-0	84-7
More Rushing Yards	4-0	68-7
More Passing Yards	2-0	73-16
More First Downs	4-0	72-6
Winning Time of Possession	3-0	55-6
Winning Turnover Margin	1-0	49-4
Tying Turnover Margin	1-0	21-7
Losing Turnover Margin	2-0	23-7
Rushing for 200+ Yards	3-0	42-1
Having 100+ yard rusher	1-0	35-7
Passing for 300+ Yards	2-0	44-5
August	0-0	1-1
September	4-0	28-5
October	0-0	28-7
November	0-0	26-10
December	0-0	8-2
January	0-0	2-3

#### Bryant Had Historic First Game

Clemson has had some pretty good quarterbacks in recent years, but none had as good an opening day performance as Kelly Bryant did against Kent State in terms of total offense. And he did it playing just the first 48 offensive snaps of the game.

Bryant completed 16 of 22 passes for 236 yards and a touch-down, and added 77 yards rushing in just seven attempts and scored another touchdown. He finished with 313 yards of total offense, one of yard more than Tajh Boyd's previous opening day mark of 312 yards in the opening game of the 2013 season against Georgia.

Bryant had a 61-yard touchdown pass to Deon Cain in the first period and Clemson's second possession that was right on the mark. Clemson had just four pass plays of 60 yards or more all of last season, but it took Bryant just six plays to accomplish a 60-yard completion. He also had a 47-yard run in the second period to set up another score and finished with an 11-yard average.

## Clemson Offense Efficient in Opener

All the talk during the preseason was about the players Clemson had lost on offense from the 2016 National Championship team.

Dabo Swinney commented at the annual ACC Football Kickoff in Charlotte that all his questions were about players who weren't at Clemson anymore (Deshaun Watson, Mike Williams, etc.)

But when the media was asked to whom they wanted to speak after last Saturday's win over Kent State, 11 of the 12 different players requested were offensive players.

Clemson had 665 yards of total offense against Kent State, most ever in a season opener and fifth most in any game in Clemson history. It was the  $19^{\rm th}$  game in school history in which Clemson had at least 600 yards, but just the fourth in which Clemson had at least 300 yards passing and 300 rushing in the same game.

Clemson had a 613 yard game at Louisville for the 20th game of 600 yards. The Tigers had 297 rushing and 316 passing at the 14th ranked Cardinals.

The Tigers finished the Kent State game with 312 passing and 353 rushing for the 665 total. The only other games in school history Clemson has had at least 300 of each were against NC State in 2012 (328 rush, 426 pass), Duke in 2012 (334 rush, 384 pass), and Central Michigan in 2007 (341 rush, 315 pass). So, Dabo Swinney has been the head coach in three of the four games Clemson has had at least 300 yards rushing and 300 yards passing.

Clemson jumped off to quite a start with two touchdowns in the first five minutes and 21 points in the first period. It was the first time on record Clemson scored two touchdowns in the first five minutes of the season and the first time since 2000 Clemson had at least 21 points in the **first period of the season.** 

In terms of game totals, the 56 points were the most in a season opener since 1990 (59-0 win over Long Beach State), and the 665 yards were the most in a season opener in history. The previous record for a season opener total offense was 567 against The Citadel in 1978.

#### Games Clemson Had 300 Yards Rushing and 300 Yards Passing

Clemson had 665 yards of total offense in the season opening win over Kent State. That broke down to 353 rushing and 312 passing. The total offense figure was the fifth best in school history and it marked just the fourth time that Clemson had at least 300 yards rushing and passing in the same game. Clemson came lost at Louisville with 297 rushing and 316 passing.

## Clemson's Top Total Offense Games in History

Year	Opponent	W-L	Site	Pl	Rush-Pass	<u>Tot</u>
1981	Wake Forest	W	Н	87	536-220	756
2012	NC State	W	Н	102	328-426	754
2014	SC State	W	Н	93	268-467	735
2012	Duke	W	Α	81	334-384	718
2017	Kent State	W	Н	78	353-312	665
2007	C. Michigan	W	Н	88	341-315	656
2016	Pittsburgh	L	Н	95	50-580	630
2011	Auburn	W	Н	92	238-386	624
2013	Syracuse	W	Α	77	156-468	624
2000	Wake Forest	W	Н	87	436-187	623
2015	NC State	W	Α	80	240-383	623
2016	South Carolina	W	Н	89	250-372	622
Games with	300 passing and	rushing i	n bold.			

#### Clemson Played 91 Players against Kent State

Clemson played 91 players against Kent State in the season opener. The only game the Tigers have played more in history (on record) took place last year when Clemson played 93 against South Carolina State.

The list included eight true freshmen and 30 players who played in their first game for the Tigers.

Clemson played 56 players vs. Auburn, then played 70 of the 72 on the road trip to Louisville.

#### Most Players in a Game under Dabo Swinney

Year	Opponent	W-L	CU-Opp	Players
2016	S.C State	W	73-7	93
2017	Kent State	W	56-3	91
2016	Syracuse	W	54-0	86
2013	S.C State	W	52-13	83
2016	South Carolina	W	56-7	81
2012	Ball State	W	52-27	81

## Celebrating 75 Years in Memorial Stadium

Clemson is celebrating 75 years in Memorial Stadium this year. The program opened play in this facility on September 19, 1942 with a victory over Presbyterian. Since then Clemson has posted a record of 298-102-7 for 75 seasons plus two games. That is a .740 winning percentage.

Below are some facts about Clemson in Memorial Stadium:

### Facts on Clemson in Memorial Stadium

- •Including a 3-0 mark this year, Clemson is now 298-102-7 for a . 740 winning percentage in Death Valley.
- •Clemson had a school record 21-game winning home streak broken last year by Pittsburgh in the Panthers 43-42 win over the Tigers on November 12.
- •The record crowd for the stadium is 86,092 established on October 23, 1999 when Florida State beat Clemson 17-14 in the first Bowden Bowl.
- $\bullet \text{Dabo}$  Swinney is 55-7 at home since he became head coach in the middle of the 2008 season.
- •Clemson won the first game played in the facility on September 19, 1942, a 32-13 win over Presbyterian.
- •Over the last seven seasons (including 2017), Clemson is 42-3 at Memorial Stadium.

#### Nine Clemson Players Ranked among top 125 for 2017

While Clemson lost some outstanding players off its 2016 National Championship team, the Tigers do return some talented athletes according to four nationally recognized media agencies. Nine current Clemson players are ranked among the top 125 for 2017 by at least one national service that covers college football.

Six of the nine are on the defensive side of the ball, including three defensive linemen. Six of the nine are either offensive or defensive linemen, indicating the Tigers could be strong in the trenches in 2017. ESPN and XM Radio analyst Tom Luginbill ranked his top offensive and defensive lines nationally in August and had Clemson first at both.

Sophomore defensive tackle Dexter Lawrence is ranked in the top 20 nationally according to all four services. The 2016 unanimous Freshman All-American is ranked as the eighth best overall player in the nation by Sporting News,  $12^{\text{th}}$  by Sports Illustrated,  $17^{\text{th}}$  by ESPN and  $18^{\text{th}}$  by NFL.com. Lawrence set a Clemson true freshman record for sacks last year with seven and ranked second among Clemson defensive linemen in total tackles with 78.

Lawrence's runningmate at defensive tackle is Christian Wilkins. The junior earned first-team All-America honors last year as a defensive end when he had 56 tackles, including 13 tackles for loss and a Clemson defensive lineman record 10 passes broken up. Wilkins is ranked eighth nationally by ESPN,  $30^{\text{th}}$  by Sports Illustrated and Sporting News and  $36^{\text{th}}$  by NFL.com.

Mitch Hyatt, Deon Cain and Kendall Joseph are all on multiple lists, while Clelin Ferrell, Tyrone Crowder, Van Smith and Mark Fields are on one apiece.

#### Summary of Top 125 Rankings by Clemson Player for 2017

**Dexter Lawrence**, So, DT, #8 by Sporting News; No. 12 by Sports Illustrated; No. 17 by ESPN; No. 18 by NFL.com.

**Christian Wilkins**, Jr, DT, #8 by ESPN; #30 by Sporting News; #30 by Sports Illustrated; #36 by NFL.com.

Mitch Hyatt, Jr, OT, #27 by NFL.com; #35 by Sporting News; #58 by Sports Illustrated.

**Deon Cain**, Jr, WR, #55 by NFL.com; #67 by Sports Illustrated **Kendall Joseph**, Jr., LB, #73 by NFL.com; #73 by Sports Illustrated. **Clelin Ferrell**, Soph, DE, #33 by Sports Illustrated.

Van Smith, Jr., FS, #116 by NFL:.com

Mark Fields, Soph, CB, #124 by NFL.com Tyrone Crowder, Gr., OG, #125 by NFL:.com

## Exceeding Expectations Six Years in a Row

Clemson has equaled or exceeded its postseason AP and USA Today rankings in comparison to its preseason rankings each of the last six years. That was quite an accomplishment in 2016 as Clemson was No. 2 in the preseason of both polls and had to finish No. 1 to exceed the preseason rankings. Well, the Tigers accomplished that by winning the national championship.

Clemson has exceeded its preseason ranking each of the last six years in the USA Today Coaches poll and has exceeded its preseason

ranking in the AP poll five of the six. Clemson was picked eighth in the AP preseason poll in 2013 and finished eighth.Dabo Swinney is the first coach in history with a six-year streak in that area. John Cooper of Ohio State and Bill Snyder of Kansas State had five-year streaks.

#### Clemson Preseason vs. Postseason polls 2011-16

	AP	USA
Year	Pre-Post	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

#### **Dabo Swinney Accomplishments**

- •With the win over Alabama last year Dabo Swinney moved into third place in ACC history in terms of winning percentage. Now 93-28 for a .769 percentage at Clemson, he moved ahead of Danny Ford with the National Championship win over Alabama and is Clemson's winningest coach on a percentage basis among coaches with at least five years at Clemson. In terms of total wins Swinney is third behind Frank Howard (165) and Ford (96).
- •Swinney moved into second place on the ACC coaching list for bowl victories with the Alabama win. He now has seven (7-4) and trails only the 11 bowl wins Bobby Bowden won as an ACC coach (1992-2009).
- •Swinney joined Bud Wilkinson as the only people to play on and serve as head coach of a team that won the **Associated Press** National Championship. Wilkinson played on the 1936 Minnesota team that was the first AP National Champion, and was head coach of Oklahoma teams of 1951, 1955 and 1956 that won titles. Swinney played on the 1992 Alabama team that won the AP national title.
- •Swinney is the first coach to beat his alma mater in a postseason game to win the National Championship. At 47 he is the youngest coach to win the National championship since Urban Meyer was 44 when he won the title with Florida in 2008.
- •Swinney now has 22 wins over top 25 teams as Clemson head coach, the most in Clemson history. He broke Danny Ford's record of 20 when he beat Auburn on September 9.
- •Swinney is the first Clemson coach to beat the nation's #1 and #2 teams. He did it in consecutive games to win the National Championship in the College Football Playoff.
- •With the victory over Alabama, Dabo Swinney has won six bowl games over coaches who already had a national championship on their resume over the last five years. He is the only coach in college football history to do it in bowl games.
- •Clemson has won 49 games in the last four full years (entering 2017), the most in a four-year period in Clemson history and tied for the most in ACC history. The current Clemson senior class has 40 wins and needs nine more to tie the school record of 49 by the 2016 seniors.

#### Poll Streaks

Clemson has been ranked in the top 25 in each of the last 41 AP polls, the third longest active streak in the nation. But, 29 of those rankings have been in the top five, the longest active streak of top fives in the nation. Alabama is second with a 27-poll streak in the top five. Clemson's 29-poll streak of top 10 rankings is tied for first with Alabama

Clemson has been ranked in 96 of the 103 polls since the 2011 season, fourth best in the nation. Only Alabama has been ranked in every poll over the last six years, 103-103. Oklahoma is second with 99 poll appearances and Florida State is now tied with Clemson with 96 of the 103.

In terms of appearances in the College Football Playoff polls, Clemson has been in the top 25 of all 19 held so far in the three years of the system. Clemson, Alabama, Ohio State, Florida State and Utah are the five schools that have been in all 19 polls over the last three years. Clemson was ranked No. 1 in all six polls in 2015. Ironically, Clemson was never No. 1 in any College Football Playoff poll in 2016, but then won the National Championship.

#### Longest Active top 25 AP Poll Streaks

Rk	School	Polls	<u>Years</u>
1.	Alabama	152	2008-17
2.	Ohio State	87	2012-17
3,	Clemson	41	2014-17
5.	Michigan	33	2015-17
6.	Louisville	21	2016-17
	Washington	21	2016-17
8.	Wisconsin	20	2016-17
9.	Florida	19	2016-17
10.	Oklahoma	16	2016-17
11.	Auburn	15	2016-17
12.	LSU	14	2016-17

#### Longest Active Top 10 AP Poll Streaks

Rk	School	Polls	Years	
1.	Clemson	32	2015-17	
	Alabama	32	2015-17	
4.	Washington	20	2016-17	
5.	Wisconsin	12	2016-17	
6.	Oklahoma	11	2016-17	
7.	Penn State	10	2016-17	
8.	Southern California	8	2016-17	

#### Longest Active Top 5 AP Poll Streaks

Rk	School	Polls	Years
1.	Clemson	29	2015-17
2.	Alabama	27	2015-17

## Most Appearances in the College Football Playoff Poll top 25 (Poll began in 2014)

(Full begain	111 2014)		
Rk	School	App-Polls	High
1.	Clemson	19-19	1
	Alabama	19-19	1
	Ohio State	19-19	2
	Florida State	19-19	2
	Utah	19-19	10
6.	Oklahoma	17-19	3
7.	LSU	15-19	2
8.	Baylor	14-19	5
	Wisconsin	14-19	6
10.	Michigan State	13-19	3
	TCU	13-19	3
	Auburn	13-19	3

### Swinney Signs New Contract

Clemson University and Head Football Coach Dabo Swinney have agreed to a new eight-year contract through 2024, the athletic department announced August 25, 2017. The terms of the contract were approved by the Clemson University Board of Trustees Compensation Committee

"Dabo's impact on our football program, our university and our community is immeasurable and goes well beyond the on-field successes and national championship," said Director of Athletics Dan Radakovich. "This new agreement demonstrates our strong commitment to Dabo and our confidence in his leadership now—and in the future—and his long-term commitment to Clemson. We are thrilled that he and his family will be a part of the Clemson Family for years to come."

Swinney has compiled an 89-28 record over his first nine seasons (eight full seasons) in Clemson, earning the Bear Bryant National Coach of the Year Award in 2015 and 2016 and the Atlantic Coast Conference Coach of the Year honors in 2009 and 2015. The Tigers have posted a 54-15 record in Atlantic Coast Conference games since Swinney took over, and advanced to postseason bowls every year. The Tigers captured the 2016 College Football Playoff National Championship after playing in the title game in 2015, and have recorded an impressive 70-13 record over the past six seasons.

During Swinney's nine seasons, 157 of 162 senior lettermen have earned their degrees, including eight current members of the football team. His teams have finished among the nation's Top 10 in the NCAA's Academic Progress Report five of the past six years, and a school-record 58 football student-athletes posted a grade point average of 3.0 or above during the 2017 spring semester.

"I want to thank President Clements, Dan Radakovich and his

team, the Board of Trustees, and the entire Clemson family," Swinney said. "My family and I have been extremely blessed to be part of such an incredible university and community for the past 14 years. This contract makes a strong statement. It is a mutual commitment reflective of the program we have built and continue to build at Clemson. The Clemson family does so much to support our program and I couldn't be more proud to be your head coach."

#### Swinney Has Beaten National Championship Coach Five Years in Row

When Dabo Swinney and the Tigers defeated Urban Meyer and the Ohio State Buckeyes on New Year's Eve, it gave Swinney a bowl win in five consecutive seasons. But these are not run of the mill bowl wins. Swinney became the first coach in college football history to defeat a coach in a bowl game who already had a national championship on his resume. He then added to the accomplishment by beating Nick Saban and Alabama in the National Championship game in Tampa.

Clemson has five wins in bowl games over teams ranked in the top 10 in the nation over the last five years, more than any other school. Alabama is second with four wins over top 10 teams in bowl games since 2012. Clemson has more top 10 wins in bowl games over the last five years than all the other ACC teams combined. Florida State has two, Georgia Tech has one and Louisville has one since 2012.

Swinney Bowl Wins last Five Years

Year	Opponent	Cu-Opp	Opposing Coach
2012	LSU	25-24	Les Miles
2013	Ohio State	40-35	Urban Meyer
2014	Oklahoma	40-6	Bob Stoops
2015	Oklahoma	37-17	Bob Stoops
2016	Ohio State	31-0	Urban Meyer
	Alabama	35-31	Nick Saban

#### Swinney 6th Winningest Active Coach

Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney is the sixth among active coaches in terms of winning percentage (min. 5 years). Swinney has a 92-28 overall record as a head coach, a .767 percentage. He is just behind Nick Saban's .770 figure.

Urban Meyer is first at .848 and Chris Petersen of Washington is second at .824. It is interesting to note that Swinney defeated three of the five coaches ahead of him in the rankings last season, Meyer, Fisher and Saban. Those three coaches are ranked in the top three of the preseason poll for 2017 and Swinney and the Tigers handed each their final loss of 2016.

Swinney has defeated six of the other nine coaches on the list since 2013.

With 11 wins this year, Swinney can become just the fourth coach to win 100 games in his first 10 years. He had 89 entering the season. Only Bob Stoops, Chris Petersen and Urban Meyer have had 100 wins in their first 10 years.

#### Winningest Active FBS Coaches

Rk	Coach, School	Years	W-L	Pct.
1.	Urban Meyer, Ohio State	15	168-30-0	.848
2.	Chris Petersen, Washington	11	123-26	.824
3.	Jimbo Fisher, Florida State	7	78-19	.804
4.	David Shaw, Stanford	6	67-19	.779
5.	Nick Saban, Alabama	21	209-61-1	.773
6.	Dabo Swinney, Clemson	9	93-28	.769
7.	Mark Richt, Miami	16	156-55	.739
8.	Gary Patterson, TCU	17	153-54	.739
9.	Brian Kelley, Notre Dame	27	233-89-2	.722
10.	Bobby Petrino, Louisville	12	112-44	.717

#### Most Wins by FBS Coach first 10 Years

Rk	Coach, School	Year	W-L	Pct
1.	Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	1999-08	109-24	.820
2.	Chris Petersen, Boise St, Washington	2006-15	107-24	.817
3.	Urban Meyer, Bowling Gr, Utah, Fla.	2001-10	104-23	.819
4.	Paul Johnson, Ga. Southern, Navy	1997-06	99-35	.739
5.	Barry Switzer, Oklahoma	1973-82	98-17-3	.843
6.	Tom Osborne, Nebraska	1973-82	96-24-2	.795
	Mark Richt, Georgia	2001-10	96-34	.738
8.	Phillip Fulmer, Tennessee	1992-01	95-20	.826
9.	Lloyd Carr, Michigan	1995-04	95-28	.772

Dabo Swinney, Clemson, 2008-17 (Through 9 years

#### Swinney Has Seven Bowl Wins in Nine Years

Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney has coached in four bowl games the last two years and has won three of them, all over top four ranked teams. Swinney now has seven bowl wins in his relatively short Clemson career, the most in Clemson history and the second most in ACC history.

93-28

.769

With the wins over Ohio State and Alabama in the College Football Playoff, Swinney became Clemson's career leader in bowl wins, breaking the previous mark of six held by Danny Ford. Ford and Frank Beamer of Virginia Tech were tied for second behind the 11 of Bobby Bowden entering this year. But Swinney now has seven, including five over top 10 teams over the last five years, most in the nation.

#### Dabo Swinney's 22 Ranked Wins over Top 25 Teams

Dabo Swinney has 22 wins over top 25 teams in his Clemson career. He broke Danny Ford's record of 20 with the win over Auburn on September 9. Ford had a 20-12-2 record against Top 25 teams from 1978-89.

Swinney has recorded 11 wins over top 25 teams over the last three years, four in 2015, five in 2016 and two this year. That includes six top 10 wins, four of whom are top five.

For his nine seasons as Clemson coach, Swinney has six top five wins, 12 top 10, 17 top 15, and 17 top 20. Only 8 of the 22 have been at home, four on the opponent's home field and 10 at neutral site.

Swinney is 11-1 over the last three years against top 25 teams with the only loss coming to Alabama by five points in the National Championship game at the end of the 2015 season.

The 47 points scored against Louisville were the most for the Clemson program against a ranked opponent since 2001 at Georgia Tech.

Dabo Swinney 22 Wins over Top 25 Teams

Year	Opponent	AP-C	Cu-Opp
2009	at Miami	8-9	#40-37
2010	NC State	23-25	14-13
2011	Auburn	21-19	38-24
	Florida State	11-14	35-30
	At Virginia Tech	11-10	23-3
	N-Virginia Tech	5-3	38-10
2012	N-Auburn	NR-25	26-19
	N-LSU	9-7	25-24
2013	Georgia	5-5	38-35
	N-Ohio State	7-6	40-35
2014	N-Oklahoma	NR-24	40-6
2015	Notre Dame	6-7	24-22
	Florida State	17-15	23-13
	N-North Carolina	8-8	45-37
	N-Oklahoma	4-3	37-17
2016	Louisville	3-4	42-36
	at Florida State	12-14	37-34
	N-Virginia Tech	19-18	42-35
	N-Ohio State	2-2	31-0
	N-Alabama	1-1	35-31
2017	Auburn	13-13	14-6
	Louisville	14-14	47-21
#overtime			

Swinney Joins Wilkinson with Rare Distinction

When Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney won the National Championship as head coach over Alabama, he joined Bud Wilkinson as the only coaches to have played on an AP National Championship team and served as head coach of an AP National Championship team.

Swinney played on Alabama's 1992 season National Championship team as a wide receiver. That team defeated Miami (FL) for the title in the 1993 Sugar Bowl. Now Swinney has a chance to lead Clemson to the national title as head coach.

Wilkinson played as a quarterback on the University of Minnesota's 1936 team that was proclaimed national champion by the Associated Press in 1936. That was the first year of the AP poll. As a head coach at Oklahoma, Wilkinson led the Sooners to AP national titles in 1950, 1955 and 1956.



Two other coaches have national championships as players and as coaches on their resume's, but the titles are not recognized by the Associated Press.

Frank Leahy played at Notre Dame under Knute Rockne from 1928-30 and the Irish won the national championship in 1929 and 1930 according to the Helms Foundation, the top poll in that area. The AP poll had not started yet. He later coached Notre Dame to AP national titles in 1943, 46, 47, 49.

Bear Bryant played on an Alabama team in 1934 that was recognized as a national champion by some organizations, but again the AP poll hadn't started yet. He coached Alabama to AP titles in 1961, 64, 65, 78, 79.

### National Champions as Player and Head Coach

Person	As Player	As Head Coach
Bear Bryant	Alabama (1934)	#Alabama (1961, 64, 65,78, 79)
Bud Wilkinson	#Minnesota (1936)	#Oklahoma (1950, 55, 56)
Frank Leahy	Notre Dame (1929,30)	#Notre Dame (1943, 46, 48, 49)
Jimmy Johnson	Arkansas (1964)	#Miami (1987)
#Recognize	d by Associated Press	

#### Clemson Team Academic Notes of 2016-17

- •Thirteen Clemson football student-athletes, including five All-Americans, earned their undergraduate degrees during graduation ceremonies at Littlejohn Coliseum in December, 2016. The All-Americans who earned degrees were Deshaun Watson, Mike Williams, Jordan Leggett, Ben Boulware and Carlos Watkins. It marked the first time in Clemson football history five on the field All-Americans graduated in the same day.
- •An additional three players had received their undergraduate degrees prior to the 2016 season, so 16 Clemson players already had their undergraduate degree when Clemson won the National Championship on January 9.
- •Clemson had four team members named to the Academic All-ACC team in 2016. That list included Deshaun Watson, Ben Boulware, Christian Wilkins and Dexter Lawrence. The first three student-athletes were All-Americans on the field and Lawrence was named a unanimous freshman All-American.
- •In Coach Dabo Swinney's time as Clemson head coach he has had 162 seniors and 157 of them have earned their college degrees.
- •Clemson is the only school in the nation to rank in the top 15 of APR scores and in the top 15 of both college football polls each of the last six years.
- •Clemson ranked second to Stanford nationally in academic success in a ranking of the top 25 college football teams for 2016. The academic ranking is based on the graduation success rate.
- •Forty-eight members of the Clemson football team made the academic honor roll during the fall of 2016 when the Tigers were making their run to the National Championship, tied for the most in any semester in Clemson history. Then, in the spring 58 made the list, the most in any semester in Clemson history.
- •A total of 103 underclassmen filed for the 2017 NFL draft. Eight of the 103 had their college degrees when they filed. Four of the eight played for Clemson in 2016 (Wayne Gallman, Deshaun Watson, Artavis Scott and Mike Williams).
- •Twenty-nine former Clemson football players who played their senior year at Clemson were on NFL rosters in 2016. Twenty-five of them have their degree from Clemson a .862 graduation rate.
- •Clemson quarterback Deshaun Watson was the recipient of the 2016 Bobby Bowden Award. It is presented each year to the top student-athlete in college football.
- •Watson also won a Weaver-James-Corrigan honorary scholarship from the Atlantic Coast Conference in 2017. He was the only male student-athlete at Clemson so honored and one of just six football players in the ACC to win the award.
- •Eight current Tigers already have undergraduate degrees. Those players are Ryan Carters (starting CB), Marcus Edmond (starting CB), Justin Falcinelli (starting center), Tyrone Crowder (starting OG), Dorian O'Daniel (starting LB), Pat Godfrey (reserve center), D.J. Greenlee (reserve TE), and Marverick Morris (reserve OL).

## Lawrence and Wilkins Named Preseason AP All-Americans

Clemson starting defensive tackles Dexter Lawrence and Christian Wilkins were both been named to the Associated Press Preseason

All-America team in August. Lawrence was named first-team and Wilkins second-team according to the panel of media from around the nation who vote in the Associated Press poll.

Lawrence was the ACC Freshman Defensive Player of the Year in 2016 when he had 78 tackles, fifth on the team. He had seven sacks, a Clemson true freshman record, and 9.5 total tackles for loss. He added 23 quarterback pressures, second on the team, in playing all 15 games for Clemson's National Championship team. He was a unanimous Freshman All-American as well.

Wilkins was first-team All-American according to the Football Writers of America and the American Football Coaches Association, a second-team selection by USA Today, Sporting News and Walter Camp, and a third team choice by Associated Press. He was a finalist for the Bronko Nagurski Award. This year he is a Watch List selection for nine different awards, more than any other ACC player.

Wilkins had 56 tackles from his defensive end position in 2016 and had 13 tackles for loss, 3.5 of which were sacks. The junior from Springfield, Mass. had 10 pass deflections, a school record for a defensive lineman. Clemson is 28-2 for the two seasons he has been a starter

#### Cain Sixth in Yards/Reception in Clemson History

Despite starting just one game in the last two years, junior receiver Deon Cain has 83 career receptions for 1457 yards and 15 touchdowns. His 17.6 yards per catch average is seventh on a career basis in Clemson history. He had a 61-yard touchdown reception from Kelly Bryant in the opener against Kent State.

Last year as backup to first-round draft pick Mike Williams, Cain had 38 receptions for 724 yards and nine touchdowns. That computes to a 19.1 yards per catch figure, best on the 2016 National Championship team. The native of Tampa, Fla. is  $21^{\rm st}$  in ACC history in yards per catch entering the 2017 season, best among active ACC players.

First on the list is Martavis Bryant, currently of the Pittsburgh Steelers with a 22.2 average for his Clemson career from 2011-13. The players who rank 8-10 (Dwight Clark, Bill Mathis and Charlie Waters) all won Super Bowl Championship rings.

#### Clemson Career Leaders in Yards/Receptions

Rk	Player	Years	Rec	Yds	Avg
1.	Martavis Bryant	2011-13	61	1354	22.2
2.	Joe Blalock	1939-41	38	773	20.3
3.	Gary Cooper	1985-89	79	1592	20.2
4.	Frank Magwood	1979-82	51	920	18.0
5.	Glenn Smith	1949-51	88	1576	17.9
6.	Eddis Freeman	1943-46	37	655	17.7
7.	Deon Cain	2015-17	83	1457	17.6
8.	Dwight Clark	1975-78	33	571	17.3
9.	Bill Mathis	1957-59	35	602	17.2
10.	Charlie Waters	1967-69	68	1166	17.1

### Huegel Already 8th in Scoring

Clemson junior kicker Greg Huegel has scored 271 points in his career on 43 field goals (in 54 attempts) and 143 extra points. He is already eighth in Clemson history in scoring, seventh among kickers. His 271 points rank third best among active ACC players and he is second in career points per game with 8.3.

Huegel is out for the year with a torn ACL.

#### **Clemson Career Scoring Leaders**

Rk	School	Years	Pts
1.	Chandler Catanzaro, K	2010-13	404
2.	Aaron Hunt, K	2000-03	329
3.	C.J. Spiller, RB	2006-09	308
4.	Nelson Welch, K	1991-94	301
5.	Travis Zachery, RB	1998-01	300
6.	James Davis, RB	2005-08	294
7.	Obed Ariri, K	1977-80	288
8.	Greg Huegel, K	2015-17	271
9.	Chris Gardocki, K	1988-90	261
10.	Jad Deank K	2003-06	250

#### Winningest Classes in College Football History

Clemson's senior class of 2016 finished with a record of 49-7. The 49 wins are tied for fifth in FBS history and tied for first in ACC

history with the Florida State seniors of 2015. Clemson has had records of 11-2, 10-3, 14-1 and 14-1 the last four years.

The seniors of 2017 have a record of 40-5 entering this week's game at Louisville. Thus, this Clemson senior class needs 11 wins to reach the 50-mark and set the ACC record. A 13-win season would tie Alabama's national record of 51 wins.

#### Most Wins by Senior Classes, FBS History

Rk	School	Years	W-L
1.	Alabama	2013-16	51-6
2.	Alabama	2012-15	50-6
	Ohio State	2012-15	50-4
	Boise State	2008-11	50-3
5.	Clemson	2013-16	49-7
	Nebraska	1994-97	49-2
	Boise State	2006-09	49-4
	Boise State	2009-12	49-4
	Alabama	2009-12	49-5
	Florida State	2012-15	49-6
11.	Ohio State	2013-16	48-6
	Florida State	2011-14	48-7
	Alabama	2008-11	48-6
	Boise State	2007-10	48-5
	Florida	2006-09	48-7
	Clemson	2014-17	39-5

#### Wilkins Named to Watch List for ACC High 9 Awards

Clemson defensive tackle Christian Wilkins is on watch lists for an ACC high nine national postseason awards. Second is Derwin James of Florida State with six, while Harold Landry of Boston College, Jordan Whitehead of Pittsburgh and Quin Blanding of Virginia have five apiece.

Wilkins is listed as a preseason candidate for the Bednarick, Lott and Nagurski Awards that go to the top defensive player in the nation. He was a finalist for the Nagurski last year. He is also on the watch list for the Wuerffel Award and for the AFCA Goodworks team that combine excellence on the field, in the classroom and community service.

The junior who expects to graduate in December is also a candidate for the Maxwell and Walter Camp Awards that go to the national player of the year, and the Outland Trophy, which goes to the top interior lineman in the nation. Finally, he is a candidate for the Paul Horning Award, which goes to the nation's top all-purpose player.

Six other Clemson players are on at least one watch list. Sophomore defensive tackle Dexter Lawrence is a candidate for the Bednarik, Nagurski, Walter Camp and Outland Trophy. Deon Cain is on the list for the Biletnikoff (top receiver) and Greg Huegel is on the list for the Groza Award, which goes to the nation's top kicker.

Tyrone Crowder and Mitch Hyatt are on the watch list for the Outland Trophy and Kendell Joseph is on the list for the Butkus Award, which goes to the nation's top linebacker.

## **Two-time Defending ACC Champion**

Clemson has won the ACC Championship each of the last two season, the first time the program has done that since the 1986-88 era when Clemson won three in a row.

Clemson is one of five programs to win its conference championship each of the last two years. The others are Alabama, Oklahoma, San Diego State and Arkansas State. Alabama is the only school in the nation to win three conference championships in succession.

Dabo Swinney's Tigers have captured three league titles in the last six years. Arkansas State leads the nation in conference titles since 2011 with five, while Alabama is second with four. Clemson, Stanford, San Diego State, Northern Illinois, Oklahoma and Florida State all have three over the last six years.

## Relatively Speaking

Clemson's 2017 roster has many connections to college football. Nine members of the roster alone are offspring of former Clemson players and nine more have fathers or brothers who play or played college football. Only Michigan also has nine current players who are offspring of players who were on the school's football team. Below is a list of the connections:

- •Kelly Bryant, QB—Cousin, Martavis Bryant is former Clemson receiver who is with the Pittsburgh Steelers.
- •Mark Fields, CB—Father, Mark Fields, played for the Carolina Panthers of the NFL.
- •Brian Dawkins, Jr., CB—Son of former Clemson All-American and nine-time NFL Pro Bowl safety Brian Dawkins.
- •Hunter Renfrow, WR—Father played football and baseball at Wofford College and once had an interception of a Homer Jordan pass against Clemson in 1981.
- Jack Swinney, WR—Nephew of Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney.
- •Will Swinney, WR—Son of Clemson Head Coach Dabo Swinney. Played in the opening game against Kent State, 13 plays at wide receiver and handled all eight holds on extra points. First son of Clemson head coach to play for the Tigers since Jimmy Howard in 1963 played as a running back.
- •Nolan Turner, SS—Son of former Alabama player Kevin Turner, who also played eight years in the NFL with New England Patriots.
- •J.C. Chalk, TE—Grandson of former Alabama coach Gene Stallings, who was Dabo Swinney's head coach at Alabama when Swinney was a player.
- •Adam Choice, RB—Cousin of former Georgia Tech running back Tashard Choice.
- •J.D. Davis, LB—Twin brother of Clemson linebacker Judah Davis and son of former Clemson All-American linebacker Jeff Davis.
- •Judah Davis, LB—Twin brother of Clemson linebacker J.D. Davis and son of former Clemson All-American linebacker Jeff Davis.
- •Amir Trapp, CB—Son of former Clemson starting defensive back James Trapp, who played 10 years in the NFL and won a Super Bowl title with the Baltimore Ravens.
- •Jarvis Magwood, LB—Son of former Clemson receiver Frank Magwood, a letterman on Clemson's 1981 National Championship team who is fifth in school history in yards per reception.
- •Garrett Williams, FB/TE—Son of former Florida State running back Dayne Williams, who played against Clemson in 1988 Florida State game in Death Valley.
- •Mitch Hyatt, OT—Nephew of former Clemson All-ACC defensive tackle Dan Benish. Benish started on Clemson's 1981 National Championship team and Hyatt started on Clemson's 2016 National title team.
- •Milan Richard, TE—Nephew of 1982 Heisman Trophy winner and former Georgia All-American Herschel Walker.
- •Cannon Smith, TE—Son of former Clemson starting defensive end Bill Smith. Smith was starter on 1981 National Championship team.
- •D.J. Greenlee—TE—Son of former Clemson track letterman and current strength coach Larry Greenlee.
- •Amari Rodgers, WR,--Son of former Tennessee quarterback Tee Martin, now quarterback coach at Southern California.
- •Baylon Spector, LB—Son of former Clemson receiver Robbie Spector
- •Logan Rudolph, DE—Brother of current Oklahoma State quarterback Mason Rudolph.
- •Ryan Mac Lain, WR—Cousin of former Clemson All-ACC offensive guard Eric Mac Lain.
- •Will Spiers, P—Son of former Clemson punter and baseball All-American Bill Spiers.
- •Kanyon Tuttle, WR—Son of former Clemson All-American receiver Perry Tuttle.
- •Michael Batson, P—Son of Clemson strength and conditioning coach Joey Batson.

#### Offspring of Former Clemson Football Players

Current Player, Pos	Hometown	Dad (Clemson Years)			
J.D. Davis, LB	Clemson, S.C	#Jeff Davis, LB, 1978-81			
Judah Davis, LB	Clemson, S.C.	#Jeff Davis, LB, 1978-81			
Brian Dawkins, Jr., DB	Parker, Colo.	Brian Dawkins, SAF, 1992-95			
Jarvis Magwood, LB	Greenville, S.C.	#Frank Magwood, WR, 79-82			
Cannon Smith, TE	Columbia, S.C.	#Bill Smith, DE, 1977-81			
Baylon Spector, LB	Calhoun, Ga.	Robbie Spector, WR, 1988-90			
Will Spiers, P	Camerson, S.C.	Bill Spiers, P, 1986			
Amir Trapp, DB	Clemson, S.C.	James Trapp, DB, 1989-92			
Kanyan Tuttle, WR	Charlotte, N.C.	#Perry Tuttle, WR, 1978-81			
#Denotes played on 198	#Denotes played on 1981 National Championship team				

#### 2016, A season to Remember

- National Champions for the second time in school history, first time since 1981.
- •Tigers finished with a 14-1 record after defeating previously undefeated and #1 ranked Alabama, 35-31, in the College Football Playoff Championship game. Clemson's 14 wins tied the FBS record for victories in a season.
- •Alabama was defending National Champion and had won 26 games in a row.
- •Clemson achieved the National Championship while playing the nation's most difficult schedule according to the NCAA, just the sixth school to do it in 40 years. Clemson beat six teams that finished in the AP Top 25.
- `•Clemson defeated 11 FBS schools who finished the season with a winning record, including five who won at least 10 games and six who finished in the top 25 of the AP poll.
- •Clemson defeated the No 3 (Louisville), No. 2 Ohio State and No. 1 Alabama (rankings at time of the game) for the first in school history in the same year.
- •Clemson finished 3-0 vs. the SEC, the first time Clemson has beaten three SEC teams in the same year.
- •The No. 1 final ranking was the 24th consecutive AP poll Clemson has been ranked in the top five, the longest active streak in the nation. Alabama is second with 22 in a row.
- •Clemson defeated Auburn, Florida State, Ohio State and Alabama this year, the programs that had won each of the last seven national championships prior to this year.
- •Team won the ACC Championship for the second consecutive year, the first time in 28 years the Tigers have won back-to-back league titles. \*Clemson joined Alabama as the only schools to advance to the College Football Playoff in consecutive years.
- •Seven different players were named first, second or third team All-American, most in school history.
- •The Tigers were 7-1 in games decided by seven points or less, and were 8-0 in games away from home. Team won at Auburn for first time since 1950, at Georgia Tech for first time since 2003 and at Florida State for second time since 1989.

#### Danny Ford Named to College Football Foundation Hall of Fame

Former Clemson Head Coach Danny Ford was named to the 2017 National Football Foundation Hall of Fame Class on the day Clemson defeated his alma mater to win the National Championship (Jan. 9, 2017)

Ford is one of three coaches in the 2017 Hall of Fame class. He will be joined by former Duke, Florida and South Carolina coach Steve Spurrier and former Mount Union Coach Larry Kehres.

Ford is the fourth former Clemson head coach to be named to the National Football Foundation College Football Hall of Fame. The others are John Heisman, Jess Neely, and Frank Howard. Former Clemson players in the Hall of Fame are Banks McFadden, Terry Kinard and Jeff Davis.

Ford coached Clemson from 1978-89 and posted a record of 96-29-4. The highlight of his Clemson tenure took place in 1981 when the Tigers posted a 12-0 record and defeated Nebraska, 22-15, in the 1982 Orange Bowl to win the school's first National Championship.

Ford was just 33 years, seven months and 30 days at the time of the win over Nebraska and he is still the youngest coach to win the National Championship

Ford was just 30 years old when he took over as Clemson Head Coach in December of 1978. In his first game he defeated Hall of Fame Coach Woody Hayes and Ohio State, 17-15, in the 1978 Gator Bowl. In 1979 he coached Clemson to a 16-10 victory at Notre Dame, and he is still the second youngest coach to win at Notre Dame Stadium.

Clemson had an 86-25-4 record in the 1980s and the .765 winning percentage was the fifth best in college football. The other nine coaches in the top 10 in winning percentage in that decade are all in the Hall of Fame.

Ford was especially effective in bowl games as he posted a 6-2 record. Five of the six wins were over coaches already in the Hall of Fame, including Hayes, Tom Osborne of Nebraska, Joe Paterno of Penn State and Barry Switzer of Oklahoma, all coaches who won the National Championship. Ford was 23-8-1 head-to-head as Clemson head coach against coaches who are already in the Hall of Fame. That includes a 2-1 record against Hall of Fame classmate Steve Spurrier.

In his 11 full years as Clemson head coach, Ford won five ACC

Championships and had seven top 25 teams. He coached 21 different players who earned All-American honors. Many of his players went on to fame in the NFL, including 10 who combined to win 13 Super Bowl Championships. The 1969 Alabama graduate is third in ACC history in career winning percentage with a .763 mark. Ford is a member of the Clemson Hall of Fame and was inducted into the school's Ring of Honor in 2013.

## Former Clemson Players in the NFL (As of September 25, 2017)

No	Name	Team	Pos	Ехр	Clemson
20	Mackenzie Alexander	Vikings	CB	1	2014-15
83	Dwayne Allen	Patriots	TE	5	2009-11
50	Stephone Anthony	Dolphins	LB		2011-14
77	Isaiah Battle	Seahawks	OT	2 2 2 5	2012-14
44	Vic Beasley	Falcons	OLB	2	2011-14
50	Andre Branch	Dolphins	DE	5	2008-11
26	Bashaud Breeland	Redskins	CB	3	2011-13
13	Jaron Brown	Cardinals	WR	4	2009-12
10	Martavis Bryant	Steelers	WR	2	2011-13
7	Chandler Catanzaro	Jets	PK	2	2010-13
93	Kevin Dodd	Titans	OLB	1	2013-15
38	Andre Ellington	Cardinals	RB	4	2009-12
30	Wayne Gallman	Giants	RB	R	2014-16
40	Marcus Gilchrist	Texans	СВ	6	2007-10
93	B.J. Goodson	Giants	LB	1	2012-15
32	T.J. Green	Colts	S	1	2013-15
75	&Chris Hairston	Chargers	OT	5	2007-10
10	DeAndre Hopkins	Texans	WR	4	2010-12
11	Adam Humphries	Bucs	WR	2	2011-14
97	Grady Jarrett	Falcons	DT	2	2011-14
98	Jarvis Jenkins	Chiefs	DT	6	2007-10
27	Jayron Kearse	Vikings	S	1	2013-15
90	Shaq Lawson	Bills	DE	1	2013-15
86	Jordan Leggett	Jets	TE	R	2013-16
41	Byron Maxwell	Dolphins	CB	6	2007-10
17	Charone Peake	Jets	WR	1	2011-15
5	Bradley Pinion	49ers	Р	2	2012-14
98	D.J. Reader	Texans	DT	1	2012-15
82	#Artavis Scott	Chargers	WR	R	2014-16
21	Coty Sensabaugh	Steelers	CB	5	2008-11
69	Tyler Shatley	Jaguars	OG	3	2010-13
30	Cordrea Tankersley	Dolphins	DB	R	2013-16
60	Brandon Thomas	Lions	OG	2	2010-13
91	Carlos Watkins	Texans	DT	R	2012-16
14	Sammy Watkins	Rams	WR	3	2011-13
4	Deshaun Watson	Texans	QB	R	2014-16
69	#Deshawn Williams	Bengals	DT	3	2011-14
81	Mike Williams	Chargers	WR	Ř	2013-16
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#### Canadian Football League Players

92	Da'Quan Bowers	Edmonton	DE	2008-10
17	Crezdon Butler	Saskatchewan	CB	2008-10
42	Kavell Conner	Hamilton	LB	2006-09
66	Antoine McClain	Calgary	OT	2008-11
	Garry Peters	Edmonton	CB	2012-15

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SCORING Points Per Game	151 37.8	9.2		Kelly Bryant	4	66	346 78	268	4.1 7		67.0
Points Off Turnovers	14	3.2	28	Tavien Feaster	4	39	256 7	249	6.4 1	47	62.2
FIRST DOWNS	104	51		Adam Choice	4	21	115 5	110	5.2 3		27.5
Rushing	53	25		C.J. Fuller Tv Thomason	<u>4</u>	22 4	108 <u>2</u> 32 0	106 32	4.8 2 8.0 0		26.5 32.0
Passing	44	21		Darien Rencher	2	4	27 0	27	6.8 0		13.5
Penalty	7	5		Taylor Hearn	4	0	12 0	12	0.0 0		3.0
RUSHING YARDAGE	1088	370		Zerrick Cooper	4	2	11 0	11	5.5 0		2.8
Yards gained rushing	1199	492	37	Ryan Mac Lain	1	1	0 2	-2	-2.0 0		-2.0
Yards lost rushing	111	122		TEAM	2	3	0 17	-17	-5.7 0		-8.5
Rushing Attempts	185	147		CLEMSON	4	185 147	1199 111 492 122	1088 370	5.9 17 2.5 1		272.0 92.5
Average Per Rush	5.9	2.5		Opponents	4	147	472 122	3/0	2.3	30	72.3
Average Per Game	272.0	92.5	#	PASSING	G-S	Eff.	Cm-Att-I	Cm%	Yds TD	LG	Y/G
TDs Rushing	17	1	2	Kelly Bryant	4	135.72	74-109-3	67.9	873 2	79	218.2
PASSING YARDAGE	953	538		Zerrick Cooper	4	146.80	5-8-0	62.5	41 1	14	10.2
Comp-Att-Int	85-125-3	50-103-3	15	Hunter Johnson	2	132.51	6-7-0	85.7	39 0		19.5
Average Per Pass	7.6	5.2	_	TEAM CLEMSON	2 4	0.00 135.16	0-1-0 85-125-3	0.0 68.0	953 3		238.2
Average Per Catch	11.2	10.8	_	Opponents	4	96.21	50-103-3	48.5	538 3		134.5
Average Per Game	238.2	134.5	_	орроненся	•	70.21	30 103 3	10.5	330 3	70	151.5
TDs Passing	3	3		RECEIVING	G-S		Yards	Y/Rec	TD	LG	Y/G
TOTAL OFFENSE	2041	908		Hunter Renfrow	4	21	202	9.6	0	40	50.5
Total Plays	310	250		Ray-Ray McCloud	4	18	218	12.1	1	79	54.5
Average Per Play	6.6	3.6		Deon Cain Milan Richard	4	11	151 100	13.7 16.7	1 0	61 44	37.8 25.0
Average Per Game KICK RETURNS: #-Yards	510.2	227.0		Diondre Overton	4		79	19.8	0	33	19.8
PUNT RETURNS: #-Yards	5-99 13-106	16-314 5-81		Amari Rodgers	4	4	24	6.0	0	9	6.0
	13-106	3-37		Trevion Thompson	4	3	39	13.0	0	16	9.8
INT RETURNS: #-Yards KICK RETURN AVERAGE	3-44 19.8	3-37 19.6	17	Cornell Powell	4	3	33	11.0	1	14	8.2
PUNT RETURN AVERAGE	8.2	16.2		Tee Higgins	4	3	26	8.7	0	12	6.5
INT RETURN AVERAGE	14.7	12.3		C.J. Fuller	4	3	24	8.0	0	11	6.0
FUMBLES-LOST	5-2	2-0		J.C. Chalk Adam Choice	3	2	19	9.5	0	18	6.3
PENALTIES-Yards	18-145	22-174		Shadell Bell	3	2 1	12 8	6.0 8.0	0	8	3.0
Average Per Game	36.2	43.5		Tavien Feaster	4	1	7	7.0	0	7	1.8
PUNTS-Yards	18-850	36-1566		Carter Groomes	1	1	7	7.0	0	7	7.0
Average Per Punt	47.2	43.5	88	Jayson Hopper	1	1	4	4.0	0	4	4.0
Net punt average	39.4	39.4	16	Will Swinney	4	1	0	0.0	0	0	0.0
KICKOFFS-Yards	27-1701	11-704		CLEMSON	4		953	11.2	3	79	238.2
Average Per Kick	63.0	64.0		Opponents	4	50	538	10.8	3	78	134.5
Net kick average	41.2	43.6	#	TOTAL OFFENSE	G-:	S PL	Rush	Pass	Total	Y/G	
TIME OF POSSESSION/Game	31:15	28:45		Kelly Bryant	4			873	1141	285.2	
3RD-DOWN Conversions	31/59	19/66		Travis Etienne				0	292	97.3	
3rd-Down Pct	53%	29%		Tavien Feaster		4 39		0	249	62.2	
4TH-DOWN Conversions	3/4	4/6		Adam Choice				0	110	27.5	
4th-Down Pct	75%	67%		C.J. Fuller		4 22 4 10		0 41	106 52	26.5 13.0	
SACKS BY-Yards	17-101	10-69		Zerrick Cooper Hunter Johnson				39	39	19.5	
MISC YARDS	0	0		Ty Thomason				0	32	32.0	
TOUCHDOWNS SCORED	21	4	21	Darien Rencher		2 4	27	0	27	13.5	
FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS	2-4	3-4		Taylor Hearn		4 0		0	12	3.0	
ON-SIDE KICKS	0-0	0-0	_ 37	Ryan Mac Lain			_	0	-2	-2.0	
RED-ZONE SCORES	(13-14) 93%	(6-7) 86%		TEAM CLEMSON		2 4 4 310		953	-17 2041	-8.5 510.2	
RED-ZONE TOUCHDOWNS	(12-14) 86%	(3-7) 43%	_	Opponents		4 250		538	908	227.0	
PAT-ATTEMPTS	(19-21) 90%	(4-4) 100%	_	орронено		. 230	, 3/0	٥٥٥	700	221.0	
ATTENDANCE Camps (Avg Par Camp	242445	55588		ALL-PURPOSE	G-:	S Rush	Rec PR	KOR	IR Total	Y/G	
Games/Avg Per Game	3/80815	1/55588		Travis Etienne	:	3 292	0 0	56	0 348	116.0	
Neutral Site Games		0/0		Ray-Ray McCloud		4 0	218 94	0	0 312		
TEAM SC	ORING			Kelly Bryant		4 268	0 0	0	0 268		
I LAM 3C	CU	Орр.		Tavien Feaster Hunter Renfrow		4 249 4 0	7 0 202 0	0	0 256 0 202		
POINTS	151	37		Deon Cain		4 0	151 0	0	0 202	37.8	
Points Per Game	37.8	9.2		C.J. Fuller		1 106	24 0	0	0 130		
TOUCHDOWNS	21	4	26	Adam Choice		4 110	12 0	0	0 122	30.5	
By Rushing	17	1		Milan Richard		4 0	100 0	0	0 100		
By Passing	3	3		Diondre Overton		4 0	79 0	0	0 79		
By Return	0	0		Cornell Powell Dorian O'Daniel		4 0 4 0	33 0 0 0	43	0 76 44 44		
By Recovery	1	0		Trevion Thompson		4 0	39 0	0	0 39		
FIELD GOALS	2-4	3-4		Ty Thomason			0 0	0	0 32		
PAT (Kicks)	19-21	4-4		Amari Rodgers		4 0	24 7	0	0 31		
PAT (Runs)	0-0	0-0	21	Darien Rencher			0 0	0	0 27	13.5	
PAT (Passes)	0-0	0-0		Tee Higgins		4 0	26 0	0	0 26		
PAT (Returns)	0	0		J.C. Chalk Taylor Hearn		3 0 4 12	19 0 0 0	0	0 19		
SAFETIES	0	0		Zerrick Cooper		4 12 4 11	0 0	0	0 12		
				Shadell Bell			8 0	0	0 11		
SCORING BY	-	o <del>.</del> -		Carter Groomes			7 0	0	0 7		
1st 2nd	3rd 4th	OT Tot	38	Amir Trapp			0 5	0	0 5	1.7	
	42 48	- 151		Jayson Hopper		1 0	4 0	0	0 4		
		~~	-								
CLEMSON         28         33           Opponents         10         6	7 14	- 37	37	Ryan Mac Lain			0 0	0	0 -2		
		- 37	37	TÉAM		2 -17	0 0	0	0 -17	-8.5	
		- 37	37		:					-8.5 572.5	



		DEF	ENSIVE	CTATC						
# TACKLES	G-S	*Snaps	Hit	Ast	Total	TFL	Sacks	PBU	0P	∧ST
6 Dorian O'Daniel	4-4	173	20	ASI 8	28	4-21	1.5-19	PDU	ŲP	3
34 Kendall Joseph	4-4	196	14	11	25	2.5-6	0.5-2	1	2	
19 Tanner Muse	4-4	170	8	12	20	1-4	0.5-2	2		
7 Austin Bryant	4-4	184	17	2	19	6-20	5-19			
57 Tre Lamar	4-3	137	10	7	17	1-14	1-14		2	2
11 Isaiah Simmons	3-0	87	12	5	17	1-2		1		2
1 Trayvon Mullen	4-4	166	14	2	16					1
99 Clelin Ferrell	4-4	203	12	2	14	1-9	1-9		6	
90 Dexter Lawrence	4-4	133	6	- 8	14	1.5-10	1.5-10		2	
33 J.D. Davis	4-0	54	10	3	13	1-8	1-8			1
30 Jalen Williams	4-0	79	10	2	12	1-1		3	1	2
42 Christian Wilkins	4-4	172	10	1	11	3-15	2.5-14		2	1
31 Ryan Carter	4-4	157	10	0	10			2		<u> </u>
67 Albert Huggins	4-0	48	1	7	8	0.5-2			2	
43 Chad Smith	4-0	45	6	2	8	2-2	0.5-1			3
12 K'Von Wallace	4-1	129	6	2	8			1		
2 Mark Fields	3-1	78	7	0	7	1-2		1		
47 James Skalski	3-0	25	3	4	7	0.5-2		<u> </u>		2
23 Van Smith	3-3	111	3	4	7					
50 Jabril Robinson	3-0	65	1	5	6	0.5-2			1	
93 Sterling Johnson	3-0	33	4	1	5	2-6	1-3			
36 Judah Davis	2-0	15	3	1	4					
44 Nyles Pinckney	4-0	43	0	4	4					
5 Shaq Smith	3-0	17	1	3	4					
54 Logan Rudolph	2-0	26	3	0	3	1-1				
8 A.J. Terrell	4-0	85	3	0	3			1		
24 Nolan Turner	2-0	16	2	1	3	1-1	1-1			2
35 Justin Foster	3-0	16	0	1	1					
14 Denzel Johnson	1-0	7	1	0	1			1		1
22 Xavier Kelly	3-0	22	0	1	1					
45 Chris Register	4-0	39	0	1	1	0.5-1	0.5-1			
38 Amir Trapp	3-0	27	1	0	1					
61 Kaleb Bevelle	1-0	3	0	0	0					
29 Marcus Edmond	2-0	13	0	0	0					
46 Jarvis Magwood	1-0	3	0	0	0					
Totals			199	101	300	32-129	17-101	13	23	23
# INTERCEPTIONS	G-S	In	t	Yards	;	Avg		TD		LG
6 Dorian O'Daniel			1	44		44.0		1		44
8 A.J. Terrell			1	0	)	0.0		0		0
1 Trayvon Mullen			1	0	)	0.0		0		0
CLÉMSON			3	44		14.7		1		44
Opponents			3	37		12.3		0		21

 $<sup>^*-</sup>defensive; \land -special\ teams\ tackles; Note: Special\ teams\ tackles\ and\ tackles\ after\ turnovers\ are\ included\ in\ tackle\ totals; tackle\ totals\ are\ from\ coaches\ film\ grade.$ 

	PUNTING	P	Yard		Y/P	LG	T			-20	50+	*N
	Will Spiers	17	80		7.1	64		3	5	8	7	'
97	Carson King	1	49		9.0	49		0	0	0	0	
	CLEMSON	18	850		7.2	64		3	5	8	7	
	Opponents	36	1560	5 4.	3.5	66		2	7	12	9	
#	FIELD GOALS	FGM-FGA		Pct	1-29	30-	39	40-49	)	50+		LG H
92	Greg Huegel	2-4	50	0.0		1	l-1	1-3	3			49
#	KICKOFFS		KC	)	Yo	ls		Avg		1	ГВ	0
	Greg Huegel		17		109			64.4			9	
	Alex Spence		5	;	31	3		62.6			1	
	Christian Groomes		5	;	29			58.8			1	
	CLEMSON		27	,	170	1		63.0		1	11	
	Opponents		11		70	4		64.0			5	
#	PUNT RETURNS		PF	2	Yard	ls		Avg		1	ſD	ı
	Ray-Ray McCloud		11			4		8.5			0	5
	Amir Trapp		1			5		5.0			0	
	Amari Rodgers		1			7		7.0			0	
	CLEMSON		13	}	10	6		8.2			0	5
	Opponents		5	i	8	1		16.2			0	2
#	KICKOFF RETURNS		KOF	}	Yard	ls		Avg		1	ſD	ı
9	Travis Etienne		3	}	5	6		18.7			0	2
17	Cornell Powell		2		4	.3		21.5			0	2
	CLEMSON		5	,	9	9		19.8			0	2
	Opponents		16	j	31	4		19.6			0	3
#	INTERCEPTIONS		No		Yo	ls		Avg		1	ſD	Lor
	Dorian O'Daniel		1			4		44.0			1	
	A.J. Terrell		1			0		0.0			0	
1	Trayvon Mullen		1			0		0.0			0	
	CLÉMSON		3	}	4	4		14.7			1	
	Opponents		3		3	7		12.3			0	2
#	FUMBLE RETURNS		FF	2	Yard	ls		Avg		1	ΓD	ı
	CLEMSON		(			0		0.0			0	
	Opponents		1		1	3		13.0			0	1
					PAT							
	SCORING	TD	FGs		Rush		Pass		DX		Saf	Point
	Kelly Bryant	7	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	4.
	Travis Etienne	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	2
	Greg Huegel	0	2-4	14-15	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	2
	Adam Choice	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	1
	C.J. Fuller	2	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	1.
	Tavien Feaster	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	
	Deon Cain	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	
	Ray-Ray McCloud	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	
	Cornell Powell	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	
	Dorian O'Daniel	1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	
4 I	Alex Spence	0 21	0-0	5-6	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	15
	CLEMSON		2-4	19-21	0-0		0-0			-		
	Opponents	4	3-4	4-4	0-0	0	0-0			0	0	3

					SCC	DREBOARD			
Site	W-L	Score	Opponent (AP,USA)	Attendance	CU AP,USA	Leading Rusher(s)	Leading Passer(s)	Leading Receiver(s)	Leading Tackler(s)
Н	W	56-3	Kent State	80,121	5,5	Etienne (8-81)	K. Bryant (16-22-236)	Cain, Richard (2-70)	Joseph (8)
^ <b>H</b>	W	14-6	Auburn (13,13)	81,799	3,3	K. Bryant (19-59)	K. Bryant (19-29-181)	McCloud (6-81)	0'Daniel (15)
Α	W	47-21	* Louisville (14,14)	55,588	3,2	Etienne (6-98)	K. Bryant (22-32-316)	McCloud (7-115)	Simmons (9)
Н	W	34-7	* Boston College	80,525	2,2	Etienne (9-113)	K. Bryant (17-26-140)	Renfrow (6-53)	Joseph (9)
Α			* Virginia Tech						
Н			* Wake Forest						
^A			* Syracuse						
Н			* Georgia Tech						
Α			* NC State						
Н			* Florida State						
Н			The Citadel						
Α			South Carolina						
	H	H W A W H W A H W A H A H A H A H A	H W 56-3  ^H W 14-6  A W 47-21  H W 34-7  A  H  A  H  A	H W 56-3   Kent State	H   W   56-3   Kent State   80,121	Site         W-L         Score         Opponent (AP,USA)         Attendance         CU AP,USA           H         W         56-3         Kent State         80,121         5,5           ^H         W         14-6         Auburn (13,13)         81,799         3,3           A         W         47-21         * Louisville (14,14)         55,588         3,2           H         W         34-7         * Boston College         80,525         2,2           A         * Virginia Tech         * Wake Forest           ^A         * Syracuse           H         * Georgia Tech           A         * NC State           H         * Florida State           H         * Florida State           H         * The Citadel	H         W         56-3         Kent State         80,121         5,5         Etienne (8-81)           ^H         W         14-6         Auburn (13,13)         81,799         3,3         K. Bryant (19-59)           A         W         47-21         * Louisville (14,14)         55,588         3,2         Etienne (6-98)           H         W         34-7         * Boston College         80,525         2,2         Etienne (9-113)           A         * Virginia Tech         **	Site         W-L         Score         Opponent (AP,USA)         Attendance         CU AP,USA         Leading Rusher(s)         Leading Passer(s)           H         W         56-3         Kent State         80,121         5,5         Etienne (8-81)         K. Bryant (16-22-236)           A W         14-6         Auburn (13,13)         81,799         3,3         K. Bryant (19-59)         K. Bryant (19-29-181)           A W         47-21         * Louisville (14,14)         55,588         3,2         Etienne (6-98)         K. Bryant (22-32-316)           H W         34-7         * Boston College         80,525         2,2         Etienne (9-113)         K. Bryant (17-26-140)           H         * Wake Forest         * Wake Forest         * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *	Site         W-L         Score         Opponent (AP,USA)         Attendance         CU AP,USA         Leading Rusher(s)         Leading Passer(s)         Leading Receiver(s)           H         W         56-3         Kent State         80,121         5,5         Etienne (8-81)         K. Bryant (16-22-236)         Cain, Richard (2-70)           A W         14-6         Auburn (13,13)         81,799         3,3         K. Bryant (19-59)         K. Bryant (19-29-181)         McCloud (6-81)           A W         47-21         * Louisville (14,14)         55,588         3,2         Etienne (6-98)         K. Bryant (2-32-3-16)         McCloud (7-115)           H W         34-7         * Boston College         80,525         2,2         Etienne (9-113)         K. Bryant (17-26-140)         Renfrow (6-53)           H         * Wake Forest         * Wake Forest         * Wake Forest         * * **         * **           A         * Syracuse         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **           H         * * Georgia Tech         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         * **         **         * **         * **         * **         * ** </td

<sup>\* -</sup> ACC game; ^ - night game; Note: Bold denotes a Clemson home game; home attendance - 161,920 (80,960 per game); total (home, away, neutral) attendance - 217,508 (72,503 per game).

## **TEAM GAME-BY-GAME STATS**

Category	KS	AUB	LOU	ВС	VT	WF	SYR	GT	NCS	FSU	CIT	SC	Totals
Points	56	14	47	34									151
	3	6	21	7									37
otal Offense	665	281	613	482									2041
Nave	120 78	117 67	433 81	238 84									908
Plays	49	66	69	66									250
ards Per Play	8.5	4.2	7.6	5.7									6.6
•	2.4	1.8	6.3	3.6									3.6
ushing Yards	353	96	297	342									1088
	119	38	116	97									370
Carries	43	36	48	58									185
	44	42	27	34									147
Passing Yards	312 1	185 79	316 317	140 141									953 538
Completions	25	20	23	17									85
ompletions	1	13	21	15									50
Passing Attempts	35	31	33	26									125
	5	24	42	32									103
Had Intercepted	1	0	0	2									3
	0	0	1	2									3
Completion Percentage	71.4	64.5	69.7	65.4									68.0
Daccing Efficiency	20.0	54.2	50.0	46.9									48.5
Passing Efficiency	159.5 21.7	114.6 81.8	160.1 132.2	95.2 71.4									135.2 96.2
First Downs	34	18	25	27									104
	5	13	21	12									51
Total Touchdowns	8	2	6	5									21
	0	0	3	1									4
Rushing Touchdowns	6	2	4	5									17
	0	0	0	1									1
Passing Touchdowns	2	0	1	0									3
Field Goals	0-0	0 0-1	2-3	0-0									2-4
icia douis	1-1	2-2	0-0	0-1									3-4
Punting	2-98	6-256	4-207	6-289									18-850
-	11-511	8-324	8-350	9-381									36-1566
Punting Average	49.0	42.7	51.8	48.2									47.2
	46.5	40.5	43.8	42.3									43.5
Net Punting Average*	49.0	35.2	46.0	36.0									39.4
Time of Possession	42.3 26:55	38.4 27:35	42.6 35:32	34.1 34:56									39.4 31:15
Tillle of Possession	33:05	32:25	24:28	25:04									28:45
Third-Down Conversions	5-10	9-16	9-17	8-16									31-59
	4-16	6-18	5-16	4-16									19-66
Fourth-Down Conversions	1-1	0-0	1-1	1-2									3-4
	0-0	1-2	2-3	1-1									4-6
Red-Zone Scoring	5-6	1-1	3-3	4-4									13-14
	1-1	2-2	2-3	1-1									6-7
Red-Zone Touchdowns	5 0	1 0	2	4									12
			2	1 20									84
Rad-7ona Points			14										30
Red-Zone Points	35	7	14 14	28 7									
	35 3		14 14 0	7									5
	35	7 6	14										5 3
Turnovers	35 3 1	7 6 2	14 0	7									
Turnovers	35 3 1 0 0	7 6 2 0	14 0 1 7 0	7 2 2									3 14 3
Turnovers Points Off Turnovers	35 3 1 0 0 0 4-45	7 6 2 0 0 3 8-60	14 0 1 7 0 4-30	7 2 2 7 0 2-10									3 14 3 18-145
Turnovers Points Off Turnovers Penalties	35 3 1 0 0 0 4-45 11-79	7 6 2 0 0 3 8-60 5-40	14 0 1 7 0 4-30 4-35	7 2 2 7 0 2-10 2-20									3 14 3 18-145 22-174
Turnovers Points Off Turnovers Penalties	35 3 1 0 0 0 4-45 11-79 4-26	7 6 2 0 0 3 8-60 5-40 4-17	14 0 1 7 0 4-30 4-35 3-9	7 2 2 7 0 2-10 2-20 2-54									3 14 3 18-145 22-174 13-106
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Turnovers  Points Off Turnovers  Penalties  Punt Returns  Kickoff Returns  Interception Returns	35 3 1 0 0 0 4-45 11-79 4-26 0-0 1-22 4-72 0-0 1-10	7 6 2 0 0 3 8-60 5-40 4-17 1-25 1-21 2-35 0-0 0-0	14 0 1 7 0 4-30 4-35 3-9 1-3 2-30 5-105 1-44 0-0	7 2 2 7 0 2-10 2-20 2-54 3-53 1-26 5-102 2-0 2-27									3 14 3 18-145 22-174 13-106 5-81 5-99 16-314 3-44 3-37
Turnovers  Points Off Turnovers  Penalties  Punt Returns  Kickoff Returns  Interception Returns  Fumble Returns	35 3 1 0 0 4-45 11-79 4-26 0-0 1-22 4-72 0-0 1-10 0-0	7 6 2 0 0 3 8-60 5-40 4-17 1-25 1-21 2-35 0-0 0-0	14 0 1 7 0 4-30 4-35 3-9 1-3 2-30 5-105 1-44 0-0 0-0	7 2 2 7 0 2-10 2-20 2-54 3-53 1-26 5-102 2-0 2-27 0-0 0-0									3 14 3 18-145 22-174 13-106 5-81 5-99 16-314 3-44 3-37 0-0
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## **INDIVIDUAL OFFENSIVE & SPECIAL TEAMS STATS**

RUSHING	#2 Bryant	#26 Choice	#6 Cooper	er #9 Etienne	#28 Feaster #27 Fuller	#21 Rencher #35 Thomason
Opponent	Car Ýds TD	Car Yds TI			Car Yds TD Car Yds TD	Car Yds TD Car Yds TD
Kent State	7 77 1	4 20	1 1 11	0 8 81 1	6 69 1 7 51 2	4 27 0 4 32 0
Auburn	19 59 2	7 17	0 1 0	0	3 15 0 4 9 0	
Louisville	18 26 2	4 47	1	6 98 1	10 92 0 10 34 0	
Boston College	22 106 2	6 26	1	9 113 2	20 73 0 1 12 0	
Virginia Tech						
Wake Forest						
Syracuse						
Georgia Tech						
NC State						
Florida State						
The Citadel						
South Carolina						
Totals	66 268 7	21 110	3 2 11	0 23 292 4	39 249 1 22 106 2	4 27 0 4 32 0
PASSING	#2 Bry	/ant		#6 Cooper	#15 Johnson	
Opponent		Int TD Eff	Cm Att		Cm Att Yds Int TD Eff	
Kent State	16 22 236	1 1 168.8	4 6		5 6 39 0 0 137.9	
Auburn	19 29 181	0 0 117.9	1 2			
Louisville	22 32 316	0 1 162.0			1 1 0 0 0 100.0	
Boston College	17 26 140	2 0 95.2				
Virginia Tech	., 20 110					
Wake Forest						
Syracuse						
Georgia Tech						
NC State						
Florida State						
The Citadel						
South Carolina						
Totals	74 109 873	3 2 135.7	5 8	41 0 1 105.6	6 7 39 0 0 132.5	
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RECEIVING	#8 Cain	#5 Higgins	#34 McClou	ud #14 Overton	#13 Renfrow #80 Richard	#3 Podgers
Opponent	#8 Cain Rec Yds TD	#3 Higgins Rec Yds Ti			Rec Yds TD Rec Yds TD	#3 Rodgers Rec Yds TD
Kent State	2 70 1	2 18			2 16 0 2 70 0	
Auburn	2 27 0				9 62 0	1 5 0
Louisville	4 29 0		0 7 115		4 71 0 1 11 0	
		1 8				
Boston College	3 25 0		2 -2	0 1 23 0	6 53 0 3 19 0	
Virginia Tech						
Wake Forest						
Syracuse						
Georgia Tech						
NC State						
Florida State						
The Citadel						
South Carolina						
Totals	11 151 1	3 26	0 18 218	1 4 79 0	21 202 0 6 100 0	4 24 0
KICKING	#92 Hu		#41 Spence		#48 Spiers	
Opponent	Made	Missed	Made Misse	ed .	# Yds Avg	-20 50+
Kent State					1 49 49.0	1 0
Auburn		46			6 256 42.7	4 2
Louisville	31,49	42			4 207 51.8	3 2
Boston College					6 289 48.2	
					0 209 40.2	0 3
Virginia Tech	<del></del>				0 209 40.2	0 3
Virginia Tech <b>Wake Forest</b>	<del></del>				0 209 40.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse					0 209 46.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech					0 207 46.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State	-				0 207 46.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State	-				0 207 45.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State					0 207 48.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State					0 209 48.2	0 3
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel	2	2	0 (	0	17 801 47.1	8 7
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel South Carolina			0 (	0		
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Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel South Carolina Totals  RETURNS Opponent	2 #34 McCloud Pf PR Yds	2 R ## Avg PR 7.0 1	3 Rodgers PR Yds Avg	#38 Trapp PR PR Yds Avg	17 801 47.1 #17 Powell KOR : KOR Yds Avg KOR 1 22 22.0	8 7 #9 Etienne KOR Yds Avg
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Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel South Carolina Totals  RETURNS Opponent Kent State Auburn Louisville	#34 McCloud PI PR Yds 2 14 4 17 3 9	2  R #.  Avg PR  7.0 1  4.3  3.0	3 Rodgers PR Yds Avg 7 7.0	#38 Trapp PR PR Yds Avg 1 5 5.0	#17 Powell KOR :  KOR Yds Avg KOR 1 22 22.0 1 21 21.0	8 7  #9 Etienne KOR Yds Avg 30 15.0
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel South Carolina Totals  RETURNS Opponent Kent State Auburn Louisville Boston College	#34 McCloud PI PR Yds 2 14 4 17 3 9	2  R #.  Avg PR  7.0 1  4.3  3.0	3 Rodgers PR  Yds Avg  7 7.0	#38 Trapp PR PR Yds Avg 1 5 5.0	#17 Powell KOR ;  KOR Yds Avg KOR  1 22 22.0  1 21 21.0  2	8 7  #9 Etienne KOR Yds Avg 30 15.0
Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State The Citadel South Carolina Totals  RETURNS Opponent Kent State Aubum Louisville Boston College Virginia Tech	#34 McCloud PI PR Yds 2 14 4 17 3 9	2  R #.  Avg PR  7.0 1  4.3  3.0	3 Rodgers PR  Yds Avg  7 7.0	#38 Trapp PR PR Yds Avg 1 5 5.0	#17 Powell KOR ;  KOR Yds Avg KOR  1 22 22.0  1 21 21.0  2	8 7  #9 Etienne KOR Yds Avg 30 15.0
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Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech NC State Florida State The Citadel South Carolina Totals  RETURNS Opponent Kentsek Auburn Louisville Boston College Virginia Tech Wake Forest Syracuse Georgia Tech	#34 McCloud PI PR Yds 2 14 4 17 3 9	2  R #.  Avg PR  7.0 1  4.3  3.0	3 Rodgers PR  Yds Avg  7 7.0	#38 Trapp PR PR Yds Avg 1 5 5.0	#17 Powell KOR ;  KOR Yds Avg KOR  1 22 22.0  1 21 21.0  2	8 7  #9 Etienne KOR Yds Avg 30 15.0
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## **INDIVIDUAL DEFENSIVE STATS**

Opponent	#61 Ka. Bevelle Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#7 A. Bryant Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#31 Carter Snaps Tac PBU Int	#33 J.D. Davis Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#36 Ju. Davis Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#29 Edmond Snaps Tac PBU Int	#99 Ferrell Snaps Tac TFL Sk
Kent State	3	*27 6	*15 1	12 4	5 3	13	*26 4
Auburn		*60 7 4 4	*61 5 1	4 2 1 1		1	*67 5 1 1
Louisville Roston College		*46 1 * <b>51 5 2 1</b>	*36 2 * <b>45 3</b> -	18 2 <b>20 5</b> -	10 1		*56 3 * <b>54 2</b>
Boston College Virginia Tech		*51 5 2 1	*45 3	20 5			*54 2
Wake Forest							
Syracuse							
Georgia Tech NC State							
Florida State							
The Citadel							
South Carolina	2	104 10 6 5	157 10 2	F4 12 1 1	15 4	14	202 14 1 1
Totals	3	184 19 6 5	157 10 2	54 13 1 1	15 4	14	203 14 1 1
Onnonent	#2 Fields Snaps Tac PBU Int	#35 Foster Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#67 Huggins	#14 D. Johnson Snaps Tac PBU Int	#93 S. Johnson Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#34 Joseph Snaps Tac TFL Sk	#22 X. Kelly
Opponent Kent State	10 0	9 1	Snaps Tac TFL Sk  13 2 0.5		18 4 1	*25 8 1	Snaps Tac TFL Sk
Auburn	*41 2 1		2 1			*62 6 0.5 0.5	
Louisville	27 5	2	19 3	7 1 1	8 1 1 1	*55 2	6
Boston College Virginia Tech		5	14 2		7	*54 9 1	6 1
Wake Forest							
Syracuse							
Georgia Tech NC State							
Florida State							
The Citadel							
South Carolina Totals	78 7 1	16 1	48 8 0.5	7 1 1	33 5 2 1	196 25 2.5 0.5	22 1
iotais	/8 / 1	16 1	48 8 0.5	7 1 1	33 3 Z I	190 25 2.5 0.5	22 1
0	#57 Lamar	#90 Lawrence	#46 Magwood	#1 Mullen	#19 Muse	#6 O'Daniel	#44 Pinckney
Opponent Kent State	Snaps Tac TFL Sk * <b>22 5</b>	Snaps Tac TFL Sk *23 4	Snaps Tac TFL Sk  3 0	Snaps Tac PBU Int *22 1	Snaps Tac PBU Int *28 4	Snaps Tac TFL Sk *22 4	Snaps Tac TFL Sk
Auburn	37 4 1 1	*48 5 0.5 0.5		*58 1	*69 7	*62 15 2 1.5	6 1
Louisville	*28 1	*31 2 1 1		*40 7	*11 1 1	*50 5 1	11
Boston College Virginia Tech	*50 7	*31 3		*46 7 1	*62 8 1	*39 4 1	13 2
Wake Forest							
Syracuse							
Georgia Tech							
NC State Florida State							
The Citadel							
South Carolina		400 44 45 45			470 00	470 00 4 4 5	
Totals	137 17 1 1	133 14 1.5 1.5	3 0	166 16 1	170 20 2	173 28 4 1.5	43 4
0	#45 Register	#50 Robinson	#54 Rudolph	#11 Simmons	#47 Skalski	#43 Ch. Smith	#5 S. Smith
Opponent Kent State	Snaps Tac TFL Sk	Snaps Tac TFL Sk	Snaps Tac TFL Sk	Snaps Tac TFL Sk  21 5	Snaps Tac TFL Sk  13 2	Snaps Tac TFL Sk	Snaps Tac PBU Int  8 2
Auburn	4 0	21 1				13 2 1	
Louisville	8 1 0.5 0.5	30 2 0.5	14 1	52 9	7 3 0.5	15 1 0.5 0.5	7
Boston College Virginia Tech	13	14 3		14 3 1	5 2	4	2 2
Wake Forest							
Syracuse							
Georgia Tech NC State							
Florida State							
The Citadel							
South Carolina	20 1 05 05	(E ( ) [	76 7 1	07 17 1	25 7 05	AE 0 15 05	17 4
Totals	39 1 0.5 0.5	65 6 0.5	26 3 1	87 17 1	25 7 0.5	45 8 1.5 0.5	17 4
Onnono-+	#23 V. Smith	#8 Terrell	#38 Trapp	#24 Turner	#12 Wallace	#42 Wilkins	#30 Ja. Williams
Opponent Kent State	Snaps Tac PBU Int *9 1	Snaps Tac PBU Int	Snaps Tac PBU Int	Snaps Tac PBU Int 9 1	Snaps Tac PBU Int	Snaps Tac TFL Sk *21 1	Snaps Tac TFL Sk <b>24 6 1</b>
Auburn		11 1			*70 4	*62 5 2 1.5	10 1
Louisville	*46 3	28 1	7 1	7 2 1 1	17 2 1	*44 1 1 1	19 1
Boston College	*56 3	25 1 1 1	3		11	*45 4	26 4
Virginia Tech Wake Forest							
Syracuse							
Georgia Tech							
NC State Florida State							
The Citadel							
South Carolina							
Totals	111 7	85 3 1 1	27 1	16 3 1 1	129 8 1	172 11 3 2.5	79 12 1
* - start; Note: "Snap:	s" does not include special tea	nm plays or offensive plays; s	pecial team tackles are inclu	aea; bold denotes a Clemson	n nome game.		

# **PARTICIPATION**

<b>#</b>	Player Tremayne Anchrum, OT	KSU *35	AUB *53	<b>LOU</b> *52	BOC *52	VAT	WFU	SYR	GAT	NCS	FSU	CIT	USC	Total 192	2017 G-S 4-4	Career G-S
96	Michael Batson, P	ST												0	1-0	2-0
61	Shadell Bell, TE Kaleb Bevelle, DE	<u>8</u> 3		6	3									17 3	3-0 1-0	6-0 4-0
60	Kelby Bevelle, OT	30												30	1-0	3-0
7	Austin Bryant, DE Kelly Bryant, QB	*27 *48	*60 *64	*46 *74	*51 *80									184	4-4 4-4	25-4 16-4
8	Deon Cain, WR	*23	*56	*46	54									266 179	4-4	31-4
31	Ryan Carter, CB	*15	*61	*36	*45									157	4-4	45-19
59 25	Gage Cervenka, C J.C. Chalk, TE	16 14		7 5	4 1									27 20	3-0 3-0	9-0
18	T.J. Chase, WR	26	4	17	11									58	4-0	4-0
	Adam Choice, RB Zerrick Cooper, QB	12 14	21 4	9 4	12 4									54 26	4-0 4-0	21-0 4-0
32	Kyle Cote, S	ST	ST	ST	ST									0	4-0	12-0
55	Tyrone Crowder, OG	*37	*49	*54	*54									194	4-4	38-31
33 36	J.D. Davis, LB Judah Davis, LB	12 5	4 ST	18 10	20 ST									54 15	4-0 4-0	27-0 30-0
29	Marcus Edmond, CB	13	1											14	2-0	34-3
9 50	Travis Etienne, RB Justin Falcinelli, C	15 *41	*69	*71	13 *81									35 262	3-0 4-4	3-0 28-4
28	Tavien Feaster, RB	11	25	34	*41									111	4-4	16-1
	Clelin Ferrell, DE	*26	*67	*56	*54									203	4-4	19-19
2 35	Mark Fields, CB Justin Foster, DE	10 9	*41	27	ST 5									78 16	4-1 3-0	32-2 3-0
27	C.J. Fuller, RB	*24	*21	*30	18									93	4-3	35-3
77	Zach Giella, OL	21		2	ST									23	0-0 3-0	5-0
64 87	Pat Godfrey, C D.J. Greenlee, TE	12	22	17										51	3-0	6-0 26-0
83	Carter Groomes, WR	7												7	1-0	1-0
39 51	Christian Groomes, PK Taylor Hearn, OG	*37	*69	*73	*66									245	2-0 4-4	5-0 33-19
5	Tee Higgins, WR	25	4	18	15									62	4-0	4-0
88	Jayson Hopper, WR	5		 +CT										5	1-0	1-0
92 67	Greg Huegel, PK Albert Huggins, DT	*ST	*ST 2	*ST	14									0 48	3-3 4-0	33-33 22-0
75	Mitch Hyatt, OT	*37	*69	*66	*66									238	4-4	34-33
10 37	Tucker Israel, QB Austin Jackson, S	ST												0	0-0 1-0	2-0 1-0
14	Denzel Johnson, S			7	ST									7	2-0	15-0
15	Hunter Johnson, QB	20		3	7									23	2-0	2-0
93 34	Sterling Johnson, DT Kendall Joseph, LB	18 *25	*62	*55	*54									33 196	3-0 4-4	7-0 26-19
22	Xavier Kelly, DE	10		6	6									22	3-0	3-0
97 57	Carson King, P Tre Lamar, LB	*22	37	*28	*50									0 137	1-0 4-3	2-1 19-3
90	Dexter Lawrence, DT	*23	*48	*31	*31									133	4-3	19-15
37	Ryan Mac Lain, RB	2												2	1-0	3-0
46 34	Jarvis Magwood, LB Ray-Ray McCloud, WR	*27	*54	*39	*55									175	1-0 4-4	4-0 30-10
69	Maverick Morris, OL	22	21	27	28									98	4-0	38-3
40	Hall Morton, S	*22	*58	*40	*46									0 166	2-0 4-4	2-0 17-4
19	Trayvon Mullen, CB Tanner Muse, S	*28	*69	*11	*62									170	4-4	17-4
6	Dorian O'Daniel, LB	*22	*62	*50	*39									173	4-4	46-18
70	Diondre Overton, WR Seth Penner, OG	24 21	10	21	11 3									66 24	4-0 2-0	12-0 5-0
58	Patrick Phibbs, LS	ST	ST	ST	ST									0	4-0	4-0
44	Nyles Pinckney, DT	13	6	11	13									43	4-0	4-0
76 17	Sean Pollard, OL Cornell Powell, WR	33 19	15 2	26 18	28 10									102 49	4-0 4-0	16-7 13-0
78	Chandler Reeves, OT	21			4									25	2-0	2-0
	Chris Register, DE Darien Rencher, RB	14 8	4	8	13									39 8	4-0 1-0	16-0 1-0
	Cole Renfrow, TE	ST												0	1-0	1-0
	Hunter Renfrow, WR	*24	*50	*45	61									180	4-3	30-22
	Milan Richard, TE Jabril Robinson, DT	*35	*50 21	*50 30	*62 14									197 65	4-4 3-0	34-4 15-0
3	Amari Rodgers, WR	26	10	23	14									73	4-0	4-0
	Logan Rudolph, DE Cameron Scott, DB	12 ST		14										26 0	2-0 1-0	2-0 3-0
	Connor Sekas, LB	ST												0	1-0	2-0
	Isaiah Simmons, S	21	ST	52	14									87	4-0	4-0
	John Simpson, OG James Skalski, LB	26 13	ST	18 7	33 5									77 25	3-0 4-0	12-0 18-0
84	Cannon Smith, TE	14	ST	10	*19									43	4-1	34-1
	Chad Smith, LB Shaq Smith, LB	13 8	13 ST	15 7	2									45 17	4-0 4-0	19-0 4-0
	Van Smith, S	*9		*46	*56									111	3-3	32-18
	Alex Spence, PK	ST			*ST									0	2-1	7-1
	Austin Spence, LS Will Spiers, P	ST *ST	ST *ST	ST *ST	*ST									0	4-0 4-4	6-0 4-4
62	Cade Stewart, OL	36		5	4									45	3-0	3-0
	Jack Swinney, WR Will Swinney, WR	5 13	ST		 ST									5 18	1-0 4-0	3-0 4-0
	A.J. Terrell, CB	21	11	28	25									85	4-0	4-0
35	Ty Thomason, RB	7												7	1-0	4-0
38	Trevion Thompson, WR Amir Trapp, CB	21 17	11	21 7	*18									71 27	4-1 3-0	31-1 7-0
24	Nolan Turner, S	9	ST	7	ST									16	4-0	4-0
	Kanyon Tuttle, WR	5 eT												5	1-0	1-0
	Regan Upshaw, LB K'Von Wallace, DB	ST 31	*70	17	11									0 129	1-0 4-1	1-0 19-1
42	Christian Wilkins, DL	*21	*62	*44	*45									172	4-4	34-20
	Garrett Williams, TE Jalen Williams, LB	24	10	19	26									79	0-0 4-0	30-1 29-1
30		24	10	1.7	20									19	0-0	25-1

# **DEPTH CHARTS**

_		CLEMSON			
Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	
LT	75	MITCH HYATT	6-5	305	
	73	Tremayne Anchrum	6-2	290	S
or	76	Sean Pollard	6-5	315	S
LG	51	TAYLOR HEARN	6-5	330	*.
	74	John Simpson	6-4	320	S
С	50	JUSTIN FALCINELLI	6-4	305	*^(
	59	Gage Cervenka	6-3	320	*8
RG	55	TYRONE CROWDER	6-2	340	*(
	69	Maverick Morris	6-4	300	*(
	62	Cade Stewart TREMAYNE ANCHRUM	6-2	300	*1
RT	73		6-2	290	S
	76	Sean Pollard	6-5	315	S
TE	80	MILAN RICHARD	6-2	255	*.
	84	Cannon Smith	6-4	270	*
WR	8	DEON CAIN	6-1	190	
	14	Diondre Overton	6-5	205	S
	5	Tee Higgins	6-4	200	
ДВ	2	KELLY BRYANT	6-4	220	
	6	Zerrick Cooper	6-2	220	*
	15	Hunter Johnson	6-2	210	
RB	28	TAVIEN FEASTER	5-11	220	S
	27	C.J. Fuller	5-10	205	*
or	26	Adam Choice	5-8	210	*
	9	Travis Etienne	5-10	200	
WR	13	HUNTER RENFROW	5-10	180	*
	1	Trevion Thompson	6-2	200	*
	18	T.J. Chase	6-1	185	*
WR	34	RAY-RAY McCLOUD	5-10	180	
	3	Amari Rodgers	5-9	210	1
	17	Cornell Powell	6-0	205	S
		CLEMSON	DEFENSE		
Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	(
DE	99	CLELIN FERRELL	6-5	260	*5
	45	Chris Register	6-3	255	*
	22	Xavier Kelly	6-4	265	*
DT	90	DEXTER LAWRENCE	6-4	340	S
	50	Jabril Robinson	6-2	270	*
	44	Nyles Pinckney	6-1	300	*
DT	42	CHRISTIAN WILKINS	6-4	300	
JI .	67	Albert Huggins	6-3	305	
	93	Sterling Johnson	6-4	300	*5
DE	- 93 - <b>7</b>	AUSTIN BRYANT	6-5	265	-
DE	35	Justin Foster	6-3 6-4	2 <b>55</b> 255	
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SLB	6	DORIAN O'DANIEL	6-1	220	*(
MLB	30	Jalen Williams TRE LAMAR	5-10 <b>6-4</b>	210	
VILB	57			250	
	43	Chad Smith	6-4	235	*5
NLB	34	KENDALL JOSEPH	6-0	225	*
	33	J.D. Davis	6-2	225	
	47	James Skalski	6-0	240	5
	5	Shaq Smith	6-2	245	*
СВ	31	RYAN CARTER	5-9	180	*(
	2	Mark Fields	5-11	180	
	8	A.J. Terrell	6-1	190	
SS	19	TANNER MUSE	6-2	225	*5
	11	Isaiah Simmons	6-3	225	*
	24	Nolan Turner	6-1	200	*
FS	23	VAN SMITH	5-11	185	
	12	K'Von Wallace	6-0	195	S
	14	Denzel Johnson	6-1	200	*5
СВ	1	TRAYVON MULLEN	6-2	190	5
	29	Marcus Edmond	6-0	180	*(
	38	Amir Trapp	5-8	170	*5
	50		0.0	2,0	
		CLEMSON S	PECIALISTS		
Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	
PK	41	ALEX SPENCE	6-2	200	*
-	39	Christian Groomes	5-11	200	
P	48	WILL SPIERS	6-4	225	*
	97	Carson King	6-0	225	*5
KO	41				
		Alex Spence	6-2	200	**
LS (PK)	58	Patrick Phibbs	6-2	215	*5
0 (5)	52	Austin Spence	6-0	200	*5
LS (P)	52	Austin Spence	6-0	200	*5
	58	Patrick Phibbs	6-2	215	*5
Н	16	Will Swinney	5-9	185	
PR	34	Ray-Ray McCloud	5-10	180	
0.5	13	Hunter Renfrow	5-10	180	*
or					
KOR	28	Tavien Feaster	5-11	220	S

Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	С
LT	69	YOSUAH NIJMAN	6-7	320	J
	71	T.J. Jackson	6-6	320	*F
LG	57	WYATT TELLER	6-5	315	*S
	77	Demetri Moore	6-6	302	*J
С	64	ERIC GALLO	6-2	300	S
RG	75 <b>74</b>	Zachariah Hoyt BRAXTON PFAFF	6-4 <b>6-5</b>	298 <b>308</b>	*F
KG	62	D'Andre Plantin	6-5	301	*S
RT	61	KYLE CHUNG	6-3	302	*S
KI	79	Tyrell Smith	6-3	301	*Sc
TE	29	DALTON KEENE	6-4	240	F
or	85	CHRIS CUNNINGHAM	6-2	241	*Sc
WR	5	CAM PHILLIPS	6-0	202	S
	19	Hezekiah Grimsley	6-0	172	F
QB	17	JOSH JACKSON	6-1	215	*F
	6	AJ Bush	6-4	225	*J
RB	32	STEVEN PEOPLES	5-9	220	J
or	34	TRAVON McMILLIAN	6-0	210	*J
WR	86	C.J. CARROLL	5-8	173	*J
	15	Sean Savoy	5-9	188	F
WR	83	ERIC KUMAH	6-2	220	S
	89	James Clark	5-10	185	*S
_		VIRGINIA TEC			_
Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	С
LDE	99	VINNY MIHOTA	6-5	270	*J
	11	Houshun Gaines	6-3	245	*Sc
DT	8	RICKY WALKER	6-2	300	*J
NIT	55 <b>4</b>	Jarrod Hewitt	6-1 <b>6-3</b>	285	*F
NT	96	TIM SETTLE Jimmie Taylor	6-3 6-2	<b>335</b> 256	*So *F
RDE	94	TREVON HILL	6-3	245	*Sc
NDL	40	Emmanuel Belmar	6-2	240	*F
LOLB	49	TREMAINE EDMUNDS	6-5	250	j
LOLD	24	Anthony Shegog	6-2	230	*S
MLB	54	ANDREW MOTUAPUAKA	6-0	233	*S
	56	Sean Huelskamp	6-1	225	*S
WLB	6	MOOK REYNOLDS	6-0	191	J
	20	Deon Newsome	5-11	200	*S
LCB	3	GREG STROMAN	6-0	181	S
	28	Bryce Watts	6-0	167	F
ROV	21	REGGIE FLOYD	6-0	218	So
	7	Devon Hunter	6-0	216	F
FS	22	TERRELL EDMUNDS	6-2	220	*J
	9	Khalil Ladler	5-11	180	*F
RCB	31	BRANDON FACYSON	6-2	197	*S
	3	Greg Stroman	6-0	181	S
		VIDOINIA TEOLI	CDECIALICE		
_		VIRGINIA TECH	00		_
Pos.	#	Player	Hgt	Wgt	C
PK	46	JOEY SLYE	5-11	213	S
P	93	Brian Johnson	6-1	180 <b>202</b>	S
г	91	OSCAR BRADBURN	6-1		F
KO	92	Jordan Stout Joey Slye	6-2 5-11	182	F
NU	46 93	Brian Johnson	6-1	213 180	S
LS	87	Colton Taylor	6-1	223	*8
LO	96	Jimmie Reeves	6-0	223	^S
Н	91	Oscar Bradburn	6-1	202	F
	86	C.J. Carroll	5-8	173	* 5
PR	3	Greg Stroman	6-0	181	S
	86	C.J. Carroll	5-8	173	د * ا
	89	James Clark	5-10	185	*S
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