



UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

SOONERFOOTBALL

OKLAHOMA SCHEDULE

Aug. 30	NORTH TEXAS (FOX)	W, 37-3
Sept. 6	at Alabama (ESPN)	W, 20-13
Sept. 13	FRESNO STATE (PPV)	W, 52-28
Sept. 20	UCLA (ABC)	W, 59-24
Oct. 4	at Iowa State (TBS)	W, 53-7
Oct. 11	vs. No. 11 Texas (ABC)	W, 65-13
Oct. 18	No. 24 MISSOURI (FSN)	W, 34-13
Oct. 25	at Colorado (TBS)	6 CT, 5 MT
Nov. 1	OKLAHOMA STATE	tba
Nov. 8	TEXAS A&M	tba
Nov. 15	BAYLOR	tba
Nov. 22	at Texas Tech	tba
Dec. 6	Big 12 Championship (at Kansas City)	

OKLAHOMA COACH STAFF

Bob Stoops, head coach (F)
Mike Stoops, assoc. head coach/co-def. coor. (F)
Chuck Long, offensive coordinator/QB (P)
Brent Venables, co-defensive coordinator/LB (F)
Cale Gundy, running backs (F)
Jackie Shipp, defensive line (F)
Kevin Sumlin, tight ends (P)
Kevin Wilson, running game coordinator/OL (F)
Bobby Jack Wright, defensive ends (P)
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OKLAHOMA SOONERS (7-0, 3-0)
vs. Colorado Buffaloes (3-4, 1-2)
Oct. 26, 2003 • 6 p.m., CT, 5 p.m. MT
Folsom Stadium • Boulder, Colo.

SCENE SETTER

Oklahoma looks to break a Rocky Mountain drought this Saturday when the Sooners take on Colorado. The Sooners, who are seeking their seventh straight win against a Big 12 North opponent, are 0-3-1 on their last four visits to Boulder. They meet a Colorado team that is hosting its homecoming game and seeking a third straight home field triumph. This marks the third time in the last four games that Oklahoma has played away from Norman (at Iowa State and Texas at Dallas being the other two). After this game, OU plays three at home (Oklahoma State, Texas A&M and Baylor) and one on the road (Texas Tech).

THE POLLS

Oklahoma is No. 1 in the AP and ESPN/USA Today Coaches Polls. Colorado is unranked. This is the 17th straight OU-CU game in which at least one of the teams has been ranked.

SERIES HISTORY

Oklahoma leads the series, 36-16-2, including a 15-8-2 advantage in Boulder. OU's last win at Folsom Field came on Oct. 22, 1988, when the Sooners prevailed by a 17-14 count. Since then, the Sooners are 0-3-1 at Boulder with two straight losses. The two teams played twice last season with Oklahoma winning in Norman, 27-11, and in the Dr Pepper Big 12 Championship game at Houston, 29-7.

LAST MEETING

Game One: Oklahoma turned three Colorado turnovers and a mishandled kickoff into 20 points en route to a methodical 27-11 victory (11/2/02) at Norman. Sooner RB Quentin Griffin rushed 21 times for 128 yards, while QB Nate Hybl fired three TD passes, two to Mark Clayton.

Game Two: Griffin piled up 188 yards on 29 carries, as Oklahoma secured its second Big 12 Championship with a convincing 29-7 decision at Houston's Reliant Stadium on (12/7/02). Hybl tossed a pair of TD strikes, one to Trent Smith and another to Clayton. The OU defense permitted Colorado just seven first downs, 193 yards of total offense and 47 snaps. The Buffs' lone score came on a punt return. OU possessed the ball for a whopping 38:03.

THE COACHES

Oklahoma: Bob Stoops (Iowa '83), now in his fifth season with the Sooners, is 50-9 overall. He is 3-1 in bowls, 3-0 in January bowls, 2-0 in BCS games, 29-7 vs. the Big 12, 16-5 vs. the Big 12 South, 13-2 vs. the Big 12 North, 2-0 in the Big 12 Championship game, 21-2 vs. non-conference foes, 27-1 at home, 14-6 on the road, 9-2 on neutral fields, 17-2 against ranked foes and 2-1 vs. Colorado.

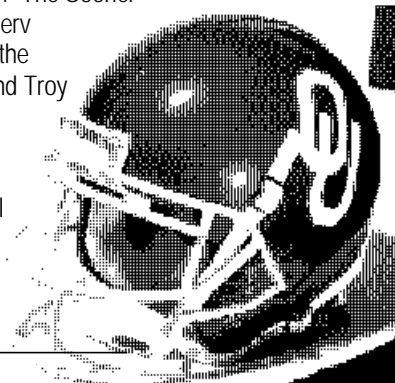
Colorado: Gary Barnett (Missouri '69) is 32-25 in his fifth season at Colorado. He is 75-81-2 in 14 seasons as a head coach. Barnett sports a 2-2 mark against Oklahoma.

ON THE AIR

TBS has the national cablecast. The broadcasters are Ron Thulin (play-by-play), Charles Davis (color), Craig Sager (sideline) and Eric Andrews (sideline). The Sooner Network has the radio call with Bob Barry, Sr., (play-by-play), Merv Johnson (color) and Mark Rodgers (sideline). Sports USA has the national radio broadcast with Larry Kahn, Gino Toretta (color) and Troy West (sideline).

STAT OF THE WEEK

CB Derrick Strait has 46 career starts at Oklahoma. The school record is 47 by OL Anthony Phillips and TE Keith Jackson.



OU Tops Big 12 Grad Rates

University of Oklahoma has announced that its students athletes achieved a record graduation rate of 74%, leading the Big 12 Conference. The graduation rate was announced as part of a national release by the NCAA. This report, which measures the class that entered in 1996, recognizes OU as one of 15 institutions that will receive a \$20,000 achievement award sponsored by *USA Today*. The OU rate, which showed a 40% hike, experienced the greatest increase in I-A. OU also announced a record rate in football of 65%, which ranks No. 2 in the Big 12 behind Baylor's 75%. Eleven of 17 football players graduated. Four of the six who did not transferred in good academic standing.

TEAM COMPARISON

	OU	CU
Record	7-0	3-4
Scoring Offense	45.7	27.3
Scoring Defense	14.4	40.1
First Downs	163	147
Opp. First Downs	100	144
Rushing Yards	148.0	105.4
Rushing Defense	109.9	148.4
Passing Yards	315.6	315.2
Passing Defense	150.1	311.9
Total Offense	463.6	420.7
Total Defense	260.0	460.3
Interceptions	12-87	2-23
Punt Returns	30-493	29-345
Kickoff Returns	15-350	22-551
Fumbles Lost	7-1	17-12
Penalties	48-391	52-381
Field Goals	14-15	5-9

BEST IN MODERN ERA

By victories, here are the top college football programs since WWII ...

Oklahoma	487
Penn State	468
Alabama	467
Nebraska	466
Texas	452
Michigan	449
Ohio State	448
Tennessee	445
Notre Dame	439
USC	425

OKLAHOMA'S LAST GAME

Oklahoma cruised to a 34-13 victory over No. 24 Missouri last Saturday in Norman ...

- OU built a 31-10 halftime lead by scoring 21 points during a seven-minute stretch in the second period. The scoring burst blew open a game that was once deadlocked at 10-10.
- Jason White hit on 20-of-34 passes for 278 yards with two touchdowns and one interception.
- WR Mark Clayton was brilliant with eight receptions for 110 yards and a spectacular touchdown grab that saw him wrestle the ball away from an MU defender in the end zone. That play covered 39 yards.
- The Sooner defense gave up some yards initially, but then choked off the Missouri offense. The Tigers got 202 of their 266 total yards and 10 of their 14 first downs in the first half.
- OU's defense got five sacks and an interception. Derrick Strait's pick was just the fifth turnover of the year for Missouri.
- SS Donte Nicholson and LB Teddy Lehman each had 10 tackles. DT Dusty Dvoracek had two sacks.
- Antonio Perkins got his seventh career punt return for a touchdown and his fourth of this season with a 69-yard jaunt in the second quarter.

SOONERS NO. 1

- The Sooners are 65-6-0 when carrying the No. 1 ranking.
- This is the 16th week that Oklahoma has held AP's No. 1 spot since Bob Stoops arrived.
- Oklahoma has been ranked among the AP's top 10 in every week but one since Oct. 6, 2000. That one exception saw the Sooners dip to No. 11 prior to defeating Arkansas in the Cotton Bowl at the end of the 2001 season. That win vaulted them back into the top 10.
- Oklahoma was the preseason No. 1. It marked the ninth time overall and the first time since 1987 that the Sooners entered a year atop the AP rankings. In four of those seasons, OU went on to win the national championship.
- Oklahoma has the third-longest active streak in terms of consecutive weeks in the AP rankings. Michigan tops the list at 85, followed by Miami at 63 and OU at 61.

HALF-A-HUNDRED FOR STOOPS

Bob Stoops got the 50th win of his coaching career, all at Oklahoma, when the Sooners defeated Missouri last Saturday. Stoops reached the 50-win plateau in his 59th game. Barry Switzer got his 50th OU win in 56 games, while Bud Wilkinson did it in 58. The only other Sooner coach to reach that milestone in the post WWII era was Chuck Fairbanks, who got win No. 50 in his 66th game. Fairbanks later coached at Colorado.

AP ALL-AMERICAN

OU's version of AP, Antonio Perkins, is certainly bucking for that honor in the role of return specialist. The junior tied a pair of NCAA records last Saturday with a 69-yard punt return touchdown against Missouri. It was the seventh of his career and his fourth this season ...

- The NCAA single season mark for punt return touchdowns is held by 11 players, including Perkins. The NCAA career record of seven is held by Perkins, OU legend Jack Mitchell, Wes Welker, who currently plays for Texas Tech, Johnny Rogers of Nebraska and David Allen from Kansas State.
- Perkins, with 1,136 yards in career punt returns, trails OU career punt return yardage leader Jarraill Jackson (1996-99) by 102 yards. Jackson tallied 1,238.

SOONERS RATE HIGH IN NCAA STATISTICS

Oklahoma's superlatives in the NCAA Team Statistics ...

Pass Efficiency -- No. 1 (174.50), Scoring offense -- No. 2 (45.71), Pass Efficiency Defense -- No. 2 (82.57), Total Defense -- No. 3 (260.00), Turnover Margin -- No. 4 (+1.71), Pass Defense -- No. 4 (150.14), Punt Returns -- No. 5 (16.43), Scoring Defense -- No. 8 (14.43), Passing Offense -- No. 9 (315.57), Total Offense -- No. 15 (463.57).

OU IN THE POLLS

Oklahoma in the polls under Bob Stoops ...

Date	AP Poll
• 2003	
Oct. 25	No. 1
Oct. 18	No. 1
Oct. 11	No. 1
Oct. 4	No. 1
Sept. 20	No. 1
Sept. 13	No. 1
Sept. 6	No. 1
Aug. 30	No. 1
• 2002	
Jan. 5	No. 5
Dec. 7	No. 8
Nov. 30	No. 4
Nov. 23	No. 4
Nov. 16	No. 4
Nov. 9	No. 1
Nov. 2	No. 2
Oct. 19	No. 2
Oct. 12	No. 2
Oct. 5	No. 3
Sept. 28	No. 2
Sept. 14	No. 2
Sept. 7	No. 2
Aug. 30	No. 1
• 2001	
Jan. 4	No. 6
Jan. 1	No. 10
Dec. 1	No. 11
Nov. 24	No. 4
Nov. 3-Nov. 17	No. 3
Oct. 20-27	No. 2
Aug. 25-Oct. 13	No. 3
• 2000	
Nov. 4-Jan. 3	No. 1
Oct. 28	No. 3
Oct. 14	No. 8
Oct. 7	No. 10
Sept. 30	No. 14
Sept. 23	No. 17
Sept. 9	No. 20

WHEN OKLAHOMA IS NO. 1 (AP)

• All	65-6 (92%)
Home	32-0
Away	24-3*
Neutral	9-3**
• vs Top 25	16-5 (76%)
Home	7-0
Away	3-2
Neutral	6-3
• vs Top 10	7-5 (58%)
Home	1-0
Away	2-2
Neutral	4-3
• vs #2	0-3***
Away	0-1
Neutral	0-2
• vs NR	49-1 (98%)
Home	25-0
Away	21-1
Neutral	3-0
• Bowls	2-2
• Big 12 Championship Game	1-0

* The three losses were 1978 Nebraska, 1986 Miami, and 2002 Texas A&M

** The three losses were 1950 Kentucky, 1963 Texas, 1987 Miami

*** The three losses were 1963 Texas, 1986 and 1987 Miami

AREA OF GREATEST IMPROVEMENT?

It could be in the OU pass rush. Last year's team had 37 sacks through 14 games (2.6/game). The 2003 Sooners, who got to Missouri's elusive Brad Smith five times last Saturday, have 24 sacks in seven games (3.4/game). Last year's team had 111 QB hurries (not an official NCAA stat) or 7.9 per game. This year's team already has 88, which is 12.6 per game.

• The defensive line (two ends and two tackles) already owns 20 sacks this season. Last year, those same positions accounted for just 19 through the entire 14-game schedule.

• This team has a shot at the school record for sacks in a season. The 1997 club owns that distinction with 41. The '97 team played 12 games (3.4 sacks per game).

• The big sack games for the Sooner defense during Bob Stoops' tenure ...

Jan. 1, 2002	Arkansas (Cotton Bowl)	9 sacks
Nov. 23, 2002	Texas Tech	7 sacks
Oct. 4, 2003	Iowa State	6 sacks
Sept. 6, 2003	at Alabama	6 sacks
Jan. 1, 2003	Washington State (Rose Bowl)	6 sacks
Sept. 30, 2000	Kansas	6 sacks

• On the flip side, Oklahoma has gone back to pass 245 times this season, but has suffered just eight sacks. The Sooner defense has 24 sacks in 249 drop backs by the opponents.

• Ten times under Bob Stoops OU's offense has not allowed a sack.

THE WHITE STUFF

QB Jason White tore his left ACL in the 2001 game at Nebraska. He then tore his right ACL in last season's game against Alabama. In neither case was he injured by contact.

• Rates high in several NCAA stats: No. 1 in passing efficiency (174.19), No. 1 in yards per completion (9.23), No. 2 in touchdown passes (22), No. 5 in completion percentage (.674), No. 7 in yards per attempt (13.69), No. 15 in total offense (288.43), No. 6 in points responsible for (18.86) and No. 19 in completions per game (21.29).

• He has drilled 149-of-221 passes (.674) for 2,40 yards with 22 touchdowns and four interceptions. He threw two of his picks against UCLA and was hit on the release both times.

• White is now No. 6 on OU's career passing list with 2,624 career yards. He needs 191 to move ahead of Jack Mildren for No. 5. White has played in 18 games.

• In his 11 career starts (OU is 10-1) combined, White is 206-of-312 (.660) for 2,614 yards and 24 TDs with seven INT. He did not play past the mid-point of the second quarter in two starts.

• The 64-yard TD from White to Brandon Jones (vs. North Texas) was a personal long for both.

White's 56-yard pass to Mark Clayton (vs. Fresno St.) was the second-longest of his career.

• Has at least one completion of 45 yards in every game this season.

PRORATION CONSIDERATION

Jason White leads the nation in passing efficiency on at team with a fairly balanced offense.

Big 12 passing leader B.J. Symons of Texas Tech has 397 passing attempts, or 176 more than White. Symons has 3,506 yards, 32 TDs and eight interceptions. Based on his current rates, if

White had as many attempts as Symons, his yards would jump from 2,040 to 3,664, his TDs from 22 to 40 and his interceptions from four to seven.

GOOD, AND IN A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME

Due to a scoring margin, Jason White has finished only two games this season (Alabama, Missouri). He threw just four second-half passes vs. Texas. The games White did not close ...

Opponent	Time White was replaced	No. of Series Missed
North Texas	8:57 remaining in the fourth quarter	2
Fresno State	11:22 remaining in the fourth quarter	3
UCLA	6:53 remaining in the fourth quarter	1
Iowa State	11:25 remaining in the fourth quarter	3
Texas	11:30 remaining in the fourth quarter	2

OU BESTS IN THIS SERIES

- Rushing yards - 259, Earl Johnson, 1983 (28 Rushes)
- Rushing TDs - 4, Billy Sims (1979); Joe Washington (1974); Steve Owens (1969)
- Passing Yards - 328, Josh Heupel, 1999 (26-58)
- Completions - 26, Josh Heupel, 1999 (58 att.)
- TD Passes - 4, Eddie Crowder, 1951 (6-7)
- Receptions - 8, Gordon Brown, 1965 (110 yards)
- Rec. yards - 148, Jarrial Jackson, 1999 (7 catches)
- Rec. TDs - 2, Virgil Boll, 1962 (3 catches); Clendon Thomas, 1956 (3 catches)
- Tackles - 22, Rocky Calmus, 1999
- Tackles for Loss - 4, Daryl Hunt, 1978, (4-12); Jimbo Elrod, 1975, (5-15)
- Sacks - 2 by six players, most recently, Cedric Jones, 1995 (2-14)
- Interceptions - 3, Darnell Walker, 1992
- Longest Field Goal - 54, Uwe Von Schamann, 1993

STREAKS

- 61 -- Number of consecutive games in which OU has scored at least one touchdown.
- 28 -- Consecutive sellouts at Gaylord Family - Oklahoma Memorial Stadium.
- 18 -- Number of consecutive wins by OU over non-conference opponents.
- 20 -- Number of consecutive games in which OU has thrown a touchdown pass.
- 14 -- Number of consecutive games since OU had more turnovers than an opponent.
- 13 -- Number of consecutive games in which OU has completed at least 50% of its passes.
- 10 -- Number of consecutive home victories for the Sooners.
- 9 -- Current OU wining streak, which is second nationally among active streaks, trailing USC (14).

SOONERS ON WATCH LISTS

Some of college football's most prestigious awards have listed OU players on their current watch lists ...

- Camp** -- Tommie Harris, Teddy Lehman
- Butkus** -- Teddy Lehman, Lance Mitchell
- Groza** - Trey DiCarlo
- Hendricks** -- Jonathan Jackson
- Lombardi** -- Teddy Lehman, Tommie Harris
- Nagurski** -- Everage, Harris, Lehman, Strait
- Outland** -- Tommie Harris
- Rimington** -- Vince Carter
- Thorpe** -- Brandon Everage, Derrick Strait

BEST QB STARTS AT OKLAHOMA

Best seven-game starts by OU quarterbacks ... Jason White's efficiency rating of 174.19 and his 67.43 completion percentage have never been exceeded at this point of the season ... his 22 TDs are No. 2 ... his four interceptions are lowest among those with at least 10 TD tosses.
**Only QBs with at least 100 attempts were considered ...*

JASON WHITE		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
2003	North Texas	W	35	23	248	65.71%	1	3	147.81
2003	Alabama	W	35	21	259	60.00%	0	2	141.02
2003	Fresno State	W	37	25	338	67.57%	0	4	179.98
2003	UCLA	W	25	17	243	68.00%	2	2	160.05
2003	Iowa State	W	34	26	384	76.47%	0	5	219.87
2003	Texas	W	21	17	290	80.95%	0	4	259.81
2003	Missouri	W	34	20	278	58.82%	1	2	141.04
TOTALS			221	149	2040	67.43%	4	22	174.19

Cale Gundy (1993)		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
TOTALS		6-1	152	96	1354	63.16%	3	10	156.30
Josh Heupel (2000)		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
TOTALS		7-0	244	164	2194	67.21%	5	12	154.88
Josh Heupel (1999)		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
TOTALS		4-3	333	208	2381	62.46%	13	23	137.51
Nate Hybl (2002)		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
TOTALS		7-0	169	95	1313	56.21%	4	9	134.31
Bobby Warmack (1968)		W/L	Att.	Comp.	Yards	Comp.%	INT	TD	Eff.
TOTALS		4-3	140	77	1122	55.00%	5	8	134.03

THAT'S THE YAC, JACK

One of White's greatest attributes is his ability to hit receivers in stride. And the OU receivers are dangerous in that setting. Here's a look at the yards after catch (YAC) for the Sooners ...

Opponent	Bradley	Clayton	B. Jones	Peoples	Rankins	Wilson	Team*
North Texas	0	2-18/15	4-38/20	dnp	0	4-22/9	110 YAC
Alabama	2-42/37	2-14/6	7-29/7	dnp	0	1-2	115 YAC
Fresno State	dnp	5-73/27	7-28/9	0	4-36/27	0	188 YAC
UCLA	0	5-26/19	2-3	0	3-3	0	69 YAC
Iowa State	1-3	5-15/5	2-16/9	5-65/45	2-12/6	3-15/6	174 YAC
Texas	0	7-137/38	1-2	1-6	2-16/15	1-1	176 YAC
Missouri	0	8-26/11	1-21	2-7/6	4-33/15	0	104 YAC
TOTAL	3-45/37	34-309/38	24-137/21	8-78/45	15-100/27	9-40/9	936 YAC

Key: Receptions that included a run after the catch-YAC/long run after catch; * Team includes WR, TE, RB

- Here are other totals for Sooner players this season ... TE Lance Donley 3-17/10, RB Donta Hickson 2-67/55, RB Kejuan Jones 6-55/23, TE James Moses 3-33/18, FB J.D. Runnels 3-8, FB Dan Townsend 1-7, RB Renaldo Works 9-64/15.
- Jason White has 931 yards of YAC yardage this season. Paul Thompson has 66.

WRECKING HAVOC WITH THE STAT SHEET

Oklahoma has gone against the statistical grain in nearly every category during Big 12 play. Here's a look at what the opponents' statistics looked like before the game with OU followed by the Sooners' totals against that team ...

Opponent	Rush O	Pass O	Total O	Scoring O	Rush D	Pass D	Total D	Scoring D
Iowa State Pre-OU	171.0	227.8	398.5	25.5	156.0	154.5	310.5	23.5
Iowa State vs. OU	88	146	234	7	199	414	613	53
Texas Pre-OU	197.4	208.6	406.0	45.8	189.0	110.0	299.0	18.0
Texas vs. OU	171	156	327	13	189	363	552	65
Missouri Pre-OU	212.2	176.0	388.2	34.7	148.7	197.3	346.0	20.2
Missouri vs. OU	77	189	266	13	146	278	424	34

SBC BIG 12 PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Aug. 30 • CB Derrick Strait (defense)

Sept. 6 • P Blake Ferguson (special teams)

Sept. 20 • LB T. Lehman (defense); PR A. Perkins (ST)

Oct. 11 • Derrick Strait (defense)

Oct. 18 • PR Antonio Perkins (special teams)

RED ZONE

Opponent	Oklahoma	Opp
North Texas	4-4 (3 TD, 1 FG)	1-1 (1 FG)
Alabama	1-2 (1 FG)	2-2 (1 TD, 1 FG)
Fresno State	8-8 (7 TD, 1 FG)	3-3 (3 TD)
UCLA	3-3 (3 TD)	2-3 (2 TD)
Iowa State	6-6 (3 TD, 2 FG)	0-1
Texas	7-8 (5 TD, 2 FG)	1-2 (1 TD)
Missouri	3-3 (1 TD, 2 FG)	2-2 (2 FG)
Totals	31-34 (22 TD, 9 FG)	11-12 (7 TD, 4 FG)

POINTS OFF TURNOVERS

Points scored by the offense, defense or special teams after a fumble recovery or interceptions ...

Opponent	Oklahoma	Opp.
North Texas	7 (1 TD)	0
Alabama	3 (1 FG)	0
Fresno State	7 (1 TD)	0
UCLA	14 (2 TD)	7 (TD)
Iowa State	14 (2 TD)	7 (TD)
Texas	31 (4 TD, 1 FG)	7 (TD)
Missouri	0	3 (FG)
Totals	76	24

FLYING THE SOONER SKIES

Oklahoma "worst" passing day (vs. UCLA) resulted in 243 yards. Last year's Sooner team exceeded 243 yards just four times ...

- OU hasn't thrown more than 14 incompletions in a game this season. Sooner opponents have had more than 14 misfires in six of the seven contests. OU averages one interception every 47.4 passing attempts, the foes average one every 18.6 attempts.
- OU's "worst" completion percentage this season was 58.8% vs. Missouri (20-of-34).
- It's far too early to begin discussing records, but it's worth a mention that this team's completion percentage of .684 would obliterate the current school mark of .642 set in 2000. Four of the five top season completion percentage marks at OU have been set since Bob Stoops arrived. The record for interception avoidance was set in 1992 when 2.5% of the aeriels were picked. This team is at 2.1%.

ONE HUNDRED IF BY LAND

Oklahoma's passing game has been potent. So much so that some questioned the effectiveness of the running game. That criticism has evaporated in light of the statistics ...

- Over the last five contests, the Sooners have rushed for an average of 171.4 yards per game and 4.2 yards per carry.
- OU has eclipsed 100 rushing yards in six of its seven game this season.

A REALLY STRONG SAFETY

SS Donte Nicholson, a junior in his first season at OU, is emerging as one of the top DBs in the Big 12. Twenty-one (11 vs. Texas, 10 vs. Missouri) of his 48 tackles (ranks No. 2 on the team to Teddy Lehman) have come over the last two games. Holds his lofty team ranking despite posting zero tackles in the opener. He has one sack in each of the last four games.

TREY GOOD FOR THREE

K Trey DiCarlo is enjoying a strong season ...

- He has made 14-of-15 field goals. Six (6-of-6) of his field goal makes came from 40 yards or longer. He had just three makes from at least 40 yards all of last season.
- Equaled his career-long field goal with a 46-yarder in the opener against North Texas.
- Has made nine straight field goals, the longest string of his career. He has made 21 of his last 23 field goal attempts and now ranks No. 7 on the school's career list with 30.
- He has 11 multiple field goal games including five this season.
- He has 19 touchbacks on kickoffs after posting just nine all of last season.

TURNOVERS TURNED OFF

- Oklahoma has just one fumble lost this season (vs. Texas). Between 502 total plays and 57 returns, the Sooners have had 559 ball-handling opportunities.
- OU has had fewer turnovers than its opponent in 15 of 21 games over the last two seasons.
- OU ranks No. 4 nationally in turnover margin at +1.7.
- OU has 19 takeaways to just six turnovers lost.

JA•MAUL

Oklahoma right tackle Jammal Brown is having an All-America type season. So far, he has 70 knockdowns and one sack allowed.

Big Plays

Plays from scrimmage of 20+ yards ...

	OU	Opp.
North Texas	2 (2 rec.)	3 (1 ru., 2 rec.)
Alabama	5 (5 rec.)	3 (3 rec.)
Fresno State	4 (4 rec., 1 ru.)	3 (2 rec., 1 ru.)
UCLA	4 (4 rec.)	1 (1 rec.)
Iowa State	6 (6 rec.)	3 (2 rec., 1 ru.)
Texas	7 (6 rec., 1 ru.)	4 (2 rec., 2 ru.)
Missouri	5 (3 rec., 2 ru.)	3 (2 rec., 1 ru.)
	31 (27 rec., 4 ru.)	20 (14 rec., 6 ru.)

OU CAREER GAMES STARTED

Career Games Started since 1980

Started	Years
47	Anthony Phillips 1985-88
47	Keith Jackson 1984-87
46	DERRICK STRAIT 1999-03
46	R.D. Lashar 1987-90
46	Tim Lashar 1983-86

MANY HAPPY RETURNS

A look at the OU special teams under Bob Stoops ...

- **Kickoff Returns** -- There have been 26 returns of 25 yards or more with five touchdowns.
- **Punt Returns** -- There have been 31 returns of 15 or more yards with 11 touchdowns.
- **Interceptions** -- There have been 40 returns of 10 or more yards with 11 touchdowns.
- **Fumbles** -- Two returns of 15 or more yards with two touchdowns.

CATCHING ON

Oklahoma entered this season minus the top four pass catchers in school history (by receptions). RB Quentin Griffin, WR Curtis Fagan, WR Antwone Savage and TE Trent Smith all finished their eligibility last season. Here's some quick information on this year's corps ...

- **Mark Clayton**, a junior, is fashioning some impressive career numbers. In 32 games, he has 109 receptions for 1,624 yards and 14 touchdowns. He has seven career 100-yard receiving games, a school record. Clayton's 56-yard reception against Fresno State was the longest of his career and his third of 50 or more yards. Clayton is leading the club in receptions (38), receiving yards (689), yards per catch (18.1) and touchdowns (6). Clayton ranks No. 11 nationally in receiving yards per game at 98.4.

- Through his first two seasons of eligibility, **Brandon Jones** had 10 receptions for 178 yards and three touchdowns. Through seven games this season, he has 29 catches for 330 yards and three touchdowns. In the opener against North Texas, Jones caught 10 passes for 121 yards and one touchdown. He also had a career-long grab of 64 yards in that game.

- **Jejuan Rankins** ranks second on the team with five touchdowns, including one in each of the last three games. His three-yard touchdown reception from Jason White in the first quarter of the opener against North Texas was the first reception and touchdown of his career.

The last player to score a touchdown on his first career pass reception was Arthur Guess in 1987 against Tulsa on a 21-yard play. Rankins later caught another TD in the game.

- **Mark Bradley** had his first career reception at Alabama. He actually caught two passes in the game -- one for 35 yards and another for 44.

- **Will Peoples** missed the first two games due to injury, but has rebounded with 12 catches for 162 yards and two TDs.

ABOUT THE SOONER DEFENSE

- The defense has two touchdowns this year -- both on interception returns. A 34-yarder by Eric Basse against UCLA and a 21-yarder by Jonathan Jackson against Texas.

- From 1999-02, no college team had more interceptions than Oklahoma's 88. The Sooners also gave up just 88 touchdowns in that time, second only to Southern Miss' 78.

- Oklahoma has forced at least one turnover in 53 of the 59 games (Stoops' tenure) and has at least one interception in 41 of the last 47 contests. Perhaps even more impressive is the fact that OU has had multiple interceptions in 13 of the last 19 contests.

- Sooner opponents have completed 50% of their passes just 23 times in the last 59 games.

- OU foes have scored 14 or more points just 22 times in the last 59 games.

- Under Stoops, the Sooners have five shutouts. Opponents failed to score more than seven points in 20 of the 59 games.

- Last season, OU led the nation with 24 interceptions. It was the third straight season the team posted 20, a first at OU.

- Over its last three bowl games, all in January and two as part of the BCS, OU has given up a grand total of 19 points. Only two touchdowns have been scored against the OU defense.

ABOUT THE SOONER OFFENSE

- With 212 yards against Fresno State, Oklahoma has now exceeded the 200-yard rushing mark in eight games over the last two seasons (fell one yard shy at Iowa State).

- OU ranked among the top 30 in the nation in scoring in each of Bob Stoops' four years.

- Last season, the Sooners rushed for 190.6 yards per game, an increase of 71.2 yards over the previous season.

- Under Bob Stoops, OU's offense has produced the career passing leader, the top four career receivers and the No. 4 career rusher in school history.

- Over the last five seasons, the Sooners have scored 60 TDs that covered 25+ yards.

- The quick-striking offense has 161 scoring drives of two minutes or less under Bob Stoops.

- OU has scored on its first offensive possession in all seven games -- four FG and three TD.

SPECIAL PLAYS

Here are special teams touchdowns and other big special teams plays during the Stoops era (touchdowns in *italics*) ...

- *Brandon Daniels 89-yard kickoff return at Notre Dame, 1999 (TD)*
- *K Tim Duncan 4-yard pass from Patrick Fletcher vs. Texas on a faked FG, 1999 (TD)*
- Seth Littrell 41-yard run on a faked punt vs. Texas A&M, 1999 (first down, eventual field goal)
- *Jarrail Jackson 70-yard PR vs. Missouri, 1999 (TD)*
- *J.T. Thatcher 81-yard punt return vs. Oklahoma State, 1999 (TD)*
- Brandon Daniels pass to Antwone Savage vs. Mississippi on a faked punt, 1999 (incomplete)
- *J.T. Thatcher 66-yard PR vs. Arkansas St., 2000 (TD)*
- *J.T. Thatcher 60-yard PR vs. Baylor, 2000 (TD)*
- *Antwone Savage 88-yard KOR vs. North Carolina, 2001 (TD)*
- *Hunter Wall 33-yard pass from Antwone Savage vs. Kansas State on a faked punt, 2001 (TD)*
- *K Tim Duncan 10-yard run vs. Texas A&M on a faked field goal, 2001 (TD)*
- *Antonio Perkins 91-yard PR vs. Tulsa, 2002 (TD)*
- *Antonio Perkins 82-yard PR vs. UTEP, 2002 (TD)*
- *Chris Chester 14-yard pass from holder Matt McCoy vs. Missouri on a faked field goal, 2002 (TD)*
- *Terrance Simms recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Iowa State, 2002*
- *Will Peoples recovered blocked punt in end zone vs. Texas Tech, 2002 (TD)*
- *Antonio Perkins 51-yard PR vs. Washington State, 2002 (TD)*
- Blake Ferguson 22-yard pass to Michael Thompson vs. Alabama, 2003 (first down, eventual touchdown)
- Faked PAT vs. Fresno State, with Matt McCoy rushing, 2003 (2 pt.)
- *Antonio Perkins three PR for touchdowns (74, 84, 65) vs. UCLA in 2003*
- *Mark Bradley 100-yard kickoff return for touchdown at Iowa State (10/4/03)*
- *Antonio Perkins 69-yard PR for touchdown vs. Missouri in 2003*

ABOUT THE SPECIAL TEAMS

A look at special teams notes from Bob Stoops' era as OU's head coach ...

- There have been 20 special teams touchdowns, including 13 in the last 30 regular season games. Those 13 came via five different plays -- five punt returns, two faked field goals, a blocked punt, a kickoff return and a faked punt. The special teams also own one safety.
- OU has returned five kickoffs and 11 punts for touchdowns.
- The Sooners have blocked 14 kicks.
- The current special teams rank No. 5 in the nation in punt returns (16.43).

THAT'S A COMBINED 602 POUNDS ON THE PROWL

Two of OU's bigger linemen covered some serious ground in making plays this season ...

- Jammal Brown (6-6, 313), OU's right tackle, ran down and tackled UCLA LB Spencer Havner at the end of a 72-yard interception return.
- DT Tommie Harris (6-3, 289) covered 21 yards to tackle Iowa State receiver Jack Whitver from behind and force a fumble that OU's Derrick Strait recovered. When ISU QB Austin Flynn released the pass, Harris was four yards deep in the Cyclone backfield at the ISU 22. The tackle occurred at the ISU 43.

7 AND OH

Oklahoma is 7-0 for the fourth consecutive season and for the 18th time overall. OU hasn't lost a game prior to Oct. 27 since 1999.

SOONER STUFF

Under Bob Stoops, OU has held a double-digit lead in 51 of the 59 games ... the Sooners have not suffered back-to-back losses under Stoops ... OU is 36-23 in Big 12 play since the conference formed for the 1996 season, 28-7 since Bob Stoops arrived in 1999 ... earlier this season, OU scored more than 50 points in three straight games, a first in school history ... Oklahoma's depth chart includes 20 freshmen or sophomores ... the offensive line contains no seniors, but has a combined 118 starts ... Oklahoma has 105 third-down attempts, the opponents have 102 -- the Sooners converted 42, the opponents just 27 ... Oklahoma has outscored its opponents in the second period of games this season by a whopping count of 129-16.

OFFENSE

WR	9	Mark Clayton	5-11	187	Jr.-2L
	4	Travis Wilson	6-3	216	So.-1L
LT	60	Wes Sims	6-5	317	Jr.-2L
	79	Chris Messner	6-7	270	Fr.-RS
LG	70	Kelvin Chaisson	6-5	303	So.-1L
	52	Chris Bush	6-4	282	So.-1L
C	50	Vince Carter	6-3	289	Jr.-2L
	52	Chris Bush	6-4	282	So.-1L
RG	77	Davin Joseph	6-4	312	So.-1L
	73	John Flynn	6-1	242	Jr.-Sq
RT	55	Jammal Brown	6-6	313	Jr.-2L
	69	Akim Millington	6-6	300	Fr.-HS
TE	86	Lance Donley	6-4	226	Sr.-3L
	89	James Moses	6-3	246	Jr.-1L
WR	3	Jejuan Rankins	5-11	172	So.-1L
	29	Will Peoples	6-1	191	Jr.-2L
WR	81	Brandon Jones	6-2	203	Jr.-2L
	1	Mark Bradley	6-2	190	Jr.-Sq.
QB	18	Jason White	6-3	221	Sr.-3L
	12	Paul Thompson	6-4	201	So.-1L
RB	47	Renaldo Works	6-1	220	Sr.-3L or
	20	Kejuan Jones	5-9	187	So.-1L
HB*	38	J.D. Runnels	6-1	246	So.-1L
	39	Dan Townsend	6-0	220	Fr.-HS or
	44	Shawn Farria	6-1	231	Sr.-Sq

Roster Note: TE Chris Chester wears No. 84 as his principle number. On occasion, he plays in the offensive line. During those times, he wears No. 65.

DEFENSE

DE	49	Jonathan Jackson	6-3	235	Jr.-2L
	92	Larry Birdine	6-4	254	Fr.-RS
DT	97	Tommie Harris	6-3	289	Jr.-2L
	93	Kory Klein	6-2	281	Sr.-3L
DT	94	Dusty Dvoracek	6-3	282	Jr.-2L
	96	Lynn McGruder	6-3	290	Jr.-1L
DE	80	Dan Cody	6-5	270	Jr.-2L
	58	Calvin Thibodeaux	6-1	248	So.-Sq
WLB	11	Teddy Lehman	6-2	243	Sr.-3L
	48	Gayron Allen	5-10	220	Jr.-2L
MLB	15	Wayne Chambers	6-3	225	So.-1L
	48	Gayron Allen	5-10	220	Jr.-2L or
	44	Clint Ingram	6-2	230	So.-1L
SLB	36	Russell Dennison	6-3	240	So.-1L
	46	Zach Latimer	6-3	215	Fr.-RS
CB	28	Antonio Perkins	6-0	188	Jr.-2L
	13	Eric Bassey	6-1	197	So.-1L
FS	7	Brandon Everage	6-0	202	Sr.-3L
	23	Brodney Pool	6-3	198	So.-1L
SS	8	Donte Nicholson	6-2	210	Jr.-TR
	34	Matt McCoy	5-11	201	Sr.-3L
CB	2	Derrick Strait	5-11	195	Sr.-3L
	21	Jowahn Poteat	6-1	191	So.-1L

SPECIALISTS

SNP	68	Jacob Rice	6-3	225	So.-1L
H	34	Matt McCoy	5-11	201	Sr.-3L
K	83	Trey DiCarlo	6-0	180	So.-1L
P	87	Blake Ferguson	6-0	190	Jr.-1L
PR	28	Antonio Perkins	6-0	188	Jr.-2L
	3	Jejuan Rankins	5-11	172	So.-1L
KR	3	Jejuan Rankins	5-11	172	So.-1L and
	28	Antonio Perkins	6-0	182	So.-1L

The Stoops Ledger

2002	Oklahoma, head coach (12-2)
2001	Oklahoma, head coach (11-2)
2000	Oklahoma, head coach (13-0)
1999	Oklahoma, head coach (7-5)
1998	Florida, defensive coordinator
1997	Florida, defensive coordinator
1996	Florida, defensive coordinator
1995	Kansas State, defensive coordinator
1994	Kansas State, defensive coordinator
1993	Kansas State, defensive coordinator
1992	Kansas State, defensive coordinator
1991	Kansas State, defensive coordinator
1990	Kansas State, defensive backs
1989	Kansas State, defensive backs
1988	Kent State, assistant coach
1987	Iowa, graduate assistant
1986	Iowa, graduate assistant
1985	Iowa, graduate assistant
1984	Iowa, graduate assistant
1983	Iowa, volunteer assistant

Stoops' Honors

- 2003 East-West Shrine game Head Coach
- 2002 AFCA District IV Co-Coach of the Year
- 2001 Hula Bowl Head Coach
- 2000 Associated Press Coach of the Year
- 2000 FWAA Coach of the Year
- 2000 Chevrolet Coach of the Year
- 2000 Walter Camp Coach of the Year
- 2000 Munger Award (Maxwell Football Club)
- 2000 Woody Hayes Award (Touchdown Club)
- 2000 Football News Coach of the Year
- 2000 Big 12 Coach of the Year
- 2000 Paul Bear Bryant Coach of the Year

Oklahoma's Head Coaches

A look at the top 10 by winning percentage ...

Bob Stoops	50-9-0	.847
Barry Switzer	157-29-4	.837
Bud Wilkinson	145-29-4	.826
Vernon Parrington	9-2-1	.792
Tom Stidham	27-8-3	.750
Chuck Fairbanks	49-18-1	.728
Jim Tatum	8-3-0	.727
Bennie Owen	122-54-16	.693
Gary Gibbs	44-23-2	.652
Fred Roberts	3-2-0	.600

When Bob Stoops arrived at Oklahoma prior to the 1999 season, it had been five seasons since the storied Sooner program had finished above .500, four since it last played in a bowl game.

In Stoops' first four seasons, OU captured a national championship, 43 victories and four bowl appearances. The lightning-quick return to national prominence was so complete as to almost obliterate perhaps the most impressive achievement of all ... the turnaround itself.

Few could have envisioned OU's dip in the middle '90's. Fewer could have predicted the extent to which the Schooner would be righted under Stoops.

The head coach stubbornly points to the program as a whole when defining the resurgence. Humility aside, it is Stoops who deserves a lion's share of the credit ...

- He is the first OU coach to take his first four teams to bowl games.

- One of 18 head coaches hired on the D-I level in 1999, he has been the most successful of the class with a 50-9 mark.

- More than 70 school records have been set during the his tenure.

- In 28 home games, his teams have out-scored their opponents 967-276.

- Every home game of his OU tenure has been a sellout.

- During his tenure, OU has 21 national television appearances, nine visits from ESPN's GameDay and six cover photos on Sports Illustrated.

- The team set a record football graduation rate of 65%, which ranked No. 2 in the Big 12 Conference in the most recently released figures.

If not for its meteoric pace, Stoops' career would read like a textbook rise in the coaching profession.

A four-year starter as a player at Iowa, he began his coaching career in a volunteer capacity at his alma mater in 1983. He worked through the ranks until he became co-defensive coordinator at Kansas State from 1991-95. With the Wildcats, he played a key role in the impressive turnaround. During his final four seasons there, K-State was 35-12 with three bowl appearances.

Then came a three-year stint as Florida's defensive coordinator from 1996-98. It was during that time that the national spotlight

focused on his accomplishments. The move to a head coaching role was a hiring for the ages in Norman.



Stoops Against Ranked Teams

1999 • No. 23 Texas 38, OU 28 (n)
1999 • OU 51, No. 10 Texas A&M 6
2000 • No. 11 OU 63, No. 10 Texas 14 (n)
2000 • No. 8 OU 41, @ No. 2 Kansas St. 31
2000 • No. 3 OU 31, No. 1 Nebraska 14
2000 • No. 1 OU 35, @ No. 23 Texas A&M 31
2000 • No. 1 OU 27, No. 8 Kansas St. 24 (n)
2000 • No. 1 OU 13, No. 3 Florida State 2 (n)
2001 • No. 3 OU 38, No. 9 Kansas State 37
2001 • No. 3 OU 14, No. 5 Texas 3
2001 • @ No. 3 Nebraska 20, No. 2 OU 10
2002 • No. 2 OU 35, No. 3 Texas 24 (n)
2002 • @ No. 2 OU 49, No. 9 Iowa St. 3
2002 • @ No. 2 OU 27, No. 13 Colorado 11
2002 • @No. 4 OU 60, No. 23 Texas Tech 15
2002 • No. 8 OU 29, o. 12 Colorado 7 (n)
2002 • No. 8 OU 34, No. 7 Wash. St. 14 (n)
2003 • No. 1 OU 65, No. 11 Texas 13 (n)
2003 • No. 1 OU 34, No. 24 Missouri 13
n-neutral field

Vs. Ranked Teams Then & Now

A look at what OU has done against ranked opponents in the five years prior to Bob Stoops' arrival, and in the five years since ...

1994-98 vs. Top 25 Teams	1-18-1
1999-03 vs. Top 25 Teams	17-2
1994-98 vs. Top 10 Teams	0-9
1999-03 vs. Top 10 Teams	11-1

OU CHART CLIMBERS

Passing Yards • Career

1. Josh Heupel (1999-000)	7,456
5. Jack Mildren (1969-71)	3,092
6. JASON WHITE (1999-)	2,902

Touchdown Passes • Career

1. Josh Heupel (1999-00)	53
2. Nate Hybl (2000-02)	40
2. Cale Gundy (1990-93)	40
4. JASON WHITE (1999-)	28

Receptions • Career

1. Quentin Griffin (1999-02)	169
5. Eddie Hinton (1966-68)	123
6. MARK CLAYTON (2001-)	110

Receiving Yards • Career

1. Antwone Savage (1999-02)	2,009
2. Eddie Hinton (1966-68)	1,894
3. Corey Warren (1990-93)	1,785
4. Curtis Fagan (1999-02)	1,689
5. MARK CLAYTON (2001-)	1,624

100-Yard Receiving Games • Career

1. MARK CLAYTON (2001-)	7
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Punt Returns Yards • Career

1. Jarrail Jackson (1996-99)	1,238
2. ANTONIO PERKINS (2001-)	1,136

Field Goals • Career

1. Tim Duncan (1999-01)	48
6. Jeremy Alexander (1994-97)	31
7. TREY DICARLO (2002-)	30

Tackles for Loss • Career

1. Rocky Calmus (1998-01)	59
10. Three players tied	37
15. Torrance Marshall (1999-00)	36
16. Roy Williams (1999-01)	34
17. Martin Chase (1994-97)	33.5
17. TEDDY LEHMAN (2000-)	33.5

Interceptions • Career

1. Darrell Royal (1946-49)	18
7. DERRICK STRAIT (2000-)	13
18. BRANDON EVERAGE (2000-)	9

Interceptions Return Yards • Career

1. Darrol Ray (1976-79)	312
2. Rickey Dixon (1984-87)	303
3. DERRICK STRAIT (2000-)	300

Pass Deflections • Career

1. DERRICK STRAIT (2000-)	49
2. Roy Williams (1999-01)	44
7. BRANDON EVERAGE (2000-)	25

LB Gayron Allen

OU's shortest linebacker at 5-10 ... had first career sack in season opener against North Texas.

DB Eric Bassey

Started every game at SS in '02, but moved to CB in spring ... returned an interception 34 yards for a TD vs. UCLA (his second career TD -- 45-yard fumble return against Alabama last season) ... also forced a fumble against the Bruins.

DE Larry Birdine

RS frosh has a sack in three of the last six games ... seven total TFL ... no starts, but a TFL in six different outings.

WR Mark Bradley

Moved from CB to WR in preseason ... two receptions for 83 yards at Alabama and a tackle in punt coverage ... first career KO return at Iowa State went 100 yards for a TD ... caught 39-yard TD pass at Iowa State.

LT Jammal Brown

A starter in 19 consecutive games ... has graded the highest of all the OU offensive lineman thus far ... 70 knockdowns and one sack allowed ... ran down UCLA linebacker Spencer Havner to make the tackle on a 72-yard interception return.

C Chris Bush

Started game one at center ... may be OU's most versatile lineman ... could also see action at guard.

C Vince Carter

On watch list for Rimington Award ... slowed by a sore knee in preseason, he got his first start at Alabama ... has 27 career starts ... has 38 knockdowns and just one sack allowed this season.

OG Kelvin Chaisson

Has started 12 straight games at left guard.

LB Wayne Chambers

Soph became the starter in the middle when Lance Mitchell went down ... had 10 tackles against UCLA in his first start.

WR Mark Clayton

No. 3 at OU with 14 career TD receptions ... 18th player in school history to log 1,000 career receiving yards ... at least one reception of 40 or more yards in four games this season ... 190 receiving yards (OU record) vs. Texas, 118 vs. UCLA, 110 vs. Fresno State, Missouri ... first KOR of the season vs. MU went for 29 yards ... four special teams tackles.

DE Dan Cody

Has five sacks ... entered season with three career sacks ... six QB hurries vs. Alabama and UCLA ... three tackles for loss against Missouri, including one sack for -11.

K Trey DiCarlo

On preseason watch list for Groza Award ... had made 14-of-15 field goals ... has 19 touchbacks on kickoffs ... made at least one field goal of 40 yards in five games (6-of-6 from 40 or more yards).

TE Lance Donley

Blue collar worker who is the most experienced of OU's large tight end corp ... had no TD receptions through the first 37 games of his career and has two this season.

DT Dusty Dvoracek

Leads team with six sacks ... two sacks each vs. Iowa State and Missouri ... batted a pass against Texas that Jonathan Jackson intercepted and returned 21 yards for a TD ... started every game this season.

FS Brandon Everage

On watch list for the Thorpe Award after being a semifinalist for that award last season ... sat out the first game, then logged 10 tackles, including one for loss at Alabama ... third on the team in total tackles (39) despite missing one game.

P Blake Ferguson

Has a 42.9-yard average on 27 punts ... six have been downed inside the 20 (one at the four and another at the one) ... has seven boots of 50 or more yards (two more than last season) ... season-best 59-yarder vs. Alabama and Missouri.

DT Tommie Harris

On Lombardi, Nagurski and Outland watch lists... returned a fumble 14 yards against UCLA ... one sack and a fumble forced at Iowa State (on the FF, he ran 21 yards to hit a receiver from behind) ... four QB hurries against Missouri.

RB Donta Hickson

Had 18 rushes for 57 through the first five games, but has 23 for 62 in the last two ... 55-yard reception against Texas.

DE Jonathan Jackson

OU's most experienced defensive end with 18 career starts ... led the team with 18 hurries last season and is leading again this year with 21 ... returned an INT 21 yards against Texas for his only career TD ... has four sacks.

LB Pasha Jackson

Plays on strong side ... missed Iowa State, Texas and Missouri games with a sprained knee.

WR Brandon Jones

Plays in the outfield for OU baseball team ... highest per catch average last season ... career highs with 10 grabs for 121 yards vs. North Texas (had 64-yard TD grab, longest reception of his career) ... 47-yard TD catch at Alabama.

SOONER TESTING RESULTS

■ **Strength - Bench**

OL/DL	Lbs.
Kory Klein	470
Vershon Sublet	470
Tommie Harris	470
Wes Sims	440

DE/LB/TE/QB/RB

	Lbs.
Renaldo Works	440
Teddy Lehman	405
Jason White	315

DB/WR

	Lbs.
Eric Basse	325
Travis Wilson	325
Mark Bradley	300
Jowahn Poteat	290

■ **Power - Vertical Jump**

OL/DL	Inches
Lynn McGruder	35
Davin Joseph	31.5
Kory Klein	30.5
Jammal Brown	30.5

DE/LB/TE/QB/RB

	Inches
Renaldo Works	37
Paddyson Chidi	36.5
Jonathan Jackson	35.5

DB/WR

	Inches
Antonio Perkins	41.5
Brodney Pool	40.5
Mark Bradley	40
Derrick Strait	39.5
Will Peoples	38.5

■ **Broad Jump**

OL/DL	Ft./In.
Lynn McGruder	9-11
Wes Sims	9-11
Kory Klein	9-0
Davin Joseph	9-0

DE/LB/TE/QB/RB

	Ft./In.
Renaldo Works	10-2
Paddyson Chidi	10-2
Russell Dennison	10-2
Michael Thompson	10-0

DB/WR

	Ft./In.
Antonio Perkins	10-11
Mark Bradley	10-7
Brodney Pool	10-6
Jejuan Rankins	10-6'

■ **40-Yard Time**

OL/DL	Time
Jonathan Jackson	4.55
Dan Cody	4.58
Tommie Harris	4.68

WR/DB

	Time
Mark Bradley	4.34
Eric Basse, Brandon Jones	4.41
Antonio Perkins, Jejuan Rankins, Travis Wilson	4.42

WR/DB

	Time
Teddy Lehman	4.45
Renaldo Works	4.48
Kejuan Jones	4.56

RB Kejuan Jones

Got his first career start at Alabama ... 20 carries for 63 yards at Alabama ... season-high 64 yards on 11 attempts at Iowa State ... has at least one reception in every game.

OG Davin Joseph

A true sophomore, he is already talked about as one of the most talented players OU has ever had at his position ... moved into a starting role for the Big 12 Championship and Rose Bowl games last season and remained ever since.

DT Kory Klein

Has 35 starts at Oklahoma ... string of 28 consecutive starts ended at Alabama.

LB Teddy Lehman

One of three finalists for the Butkus Award last season ... team leader with 57 tackles ... one of the fastest LBs in the country ... three pass break ups ... 17 tackles and an interception against UCLA ... 10 tackles vs. Missouri.

S Matt McCoy

Plays in nickel and dime situations ... has seven career takeaways (five INT, two FR), including a pick in the North Texas game ... the holder for placements, he ran in a two-point conversion on a faked PAT against Fresno State.

DT Lynn McGruder

Along with Mark Clayton, pulled several injured passengers from an automobile accident on I-35 over the summer ... in the strong four-man rotation at defensive tackle ... illness kept him from making Iowa State trip.

LB Lance Mitchell

OU's top tackler in '02 with 124, he is out for the year after tearing his left ACL vs. Fresno State. Had surgery 9/22/03.

TE James Moses

Three catches for 30 yards in his first career start (vs. North Texas) ... started first two games ... 28-yard grab vs. UCLA.

SS Donte Nicholson

Double digit tackles in two straight games (11 vs. Texas, 10 vs. Missouri) ... has a sack in four straight games ... TD-saving interception at Alabama ... also had eight tackles in that game.

WR Will Peoples

Slowed in camp by a knee ailment suffered in the first scrimmage ... missed first two games, then had three grabs for 29 yards against Fresno State ... five grabs for 80 yards and a 45-yard TD at Iowa State ... 20-yard TD grab against Texas.

CB Antonio Perkins

One of the top return men in college football also draws the start at CB this season ... intercepted a pass at Alabama.

FS Brodney Pool

Started the opener at free safety and had a career-best 11 tackles ... first career interception against Fresno State ... two picks at Iowa State ... leads team with four INT ... ranks No. 8 in the nation with 0.6 interceptions per game.

WR Jejuan Rankins

Two touchdown receptions vs. North Texas in first career start ... scored on 15-yard receptions against Iowa State and Texas, then got a 30-yard TD catch vs. Missouri.

FB J.D. Runnels

Starter at H-back ... excellent blocker and deceptively good receiver ... 17-yard reception at Alabama ... caught a TD pass against Fresno State and Texas.

DB Brandon Shelby

Used in extra DB sets ... HM All-Big 12 last season with no starts ... one INT, four sacks and two blocks in 2002.

OT Wes Sims

Has 27 career starts, including 21 at left tackle ... came off the bench against North Texas, but has started since then.

CB Derrick Strait

On Thorpe and Nagurski Watch Lists ... Big 12 Defensive Player of the Week with seven tackles, 1 PBU and 1 FF vs. North Texas ... the career leader for games started and consecutive starts by a DB, saw his streak end at 43 when he was sidelined for the UCLA game ... entered season with one fumble recovery, but has three this season ... career-high 11 tackles with two FR, 1 INT and 3 PBU vs. Texas ... has an interception in two straight games.

QB Paul Thompson

Rangy QB with a quick release and good running ability ... Hit 5-of-6 for 38 yards and one TD in opener ... had a 50-yard rush against Fresno State, the longest by a Sooner quarterback since 1998.

QB Jason White

See notes earlier in this release.

WR Travis Wilson

Most physical player in the receiving corps, he had TD catches against North Texas and Iowa State.

RB Renaldo Works

Rushed for a career high 112 yards against Texas ... had 95 at Iowa State, 88 against Fresno State and 87 vs. Missouri.

INTERVIEWS

Bob Stoops will do general interviews following Monday through Thursday practices. All other requests for interviews must be submitted to the media relations office at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled interview.

Every Monday morning, Coach Stoops will take part in the Big 12 Conference teleconference. Interested media representatives may call the Big 12 Conference office (214) 742-1212 to find out more about the teleconference. The briefings originate from conference headquarters on the 28th Floor of the Wyndham Anatole Hotel, 2201 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75207-2805.

Media wishing to attend the sessions at the conference office may do so. Those media wishing to dial into the conference should contact the Big 12 office for the phone number. This number is for media use ONLY, and media should identify themselves with media affiliations when accessing the call. The order of head coaches and other participants is:

- 10:00 – Mark Mangino, Kansas
- 10:10 – Bob Stoops, Oklahoma
- 10:20 – Les Miles, Oklahoma State
- 10:30 – Bill Snyder, Kansas State
- 10:40 – Gary Pinkel, Missouri
- 10:50 – Mike Leach, Texas Tech
- 11:00 – Guy Morriss, Baylor
- 11:10 – Dan McCarney, Iowa State
- 11:20 – Mack Brown, Texas
- 11:30 – Dennis Franchione, Texas A&M
- 11:40 – Gary Barnett, Colorado
- 11:50 – Frank Solich, Nebraska
- Noon – Selected Student-Athletes

A replay of the briefing is available at 4 p.m. central time.

Each Tuesday during the season, OU will host a media luncheon inside the Barry Switzer Center, located on the south end of Memorial Stadium. The luncheon will begin at 11:15 a.m. with comments from the head coach of OU's opponent that week.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and coach Stoops will address the attending media following lunch. There will also be a limited number of OU players on hand for interviews.

Assistant Coaches

Arrangements should be made through the media relations office. Most interviews will be conducted after practice Monday through Wednesday.

Players

All interviews with players will take place at the media luncheon or after practice on Monday and Tuesday. Media should request players 24 hours in advance to allow the athletes to be notified about the interview. Players who attend the Tuesday luncheon will not be available following practice that day.

Post-game

Members of the Oklahoma Media Relations staff will escort media representatives to the appropriate locker room areas with five minutes remaining in the

game. The home Oklahoma locker room, which is located behind the south end zone, is closed to the media at all times.

Head coach Bob Stoops and several Sooner players will be brought to the OU Red Room for interviews. The Red Room, which is located down the hall from the locker room, will be set up for writers to sit in front and camera operators may set up and shoot from the back.

At the beginning of the fourth quarter, interview requests will be collected. The top three OU players requested will be brought into the Red Room as soon as Coach Stoops is finished with his comments. Any other requested players will be brought into the room as soon as the first three players are finished.

The opposing head coach will meet with the media inside the opponent interview room. A representative from the OU Media Relations Office will be on hand to assist the media in finding this area. Interviews with the head coach and players from the visiting team will be based on the postgame policy of that institution.

PRACTICE

Practices will be open to the media for the first 15 minutes Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. No practices will be open to fans unless previously announced. Members of the media are required to inform the media relations office when they plan to attend the beginning of a workout. Those in attendance are required to stay at the end of the practice field at all times unless escorted by a member of the media relations office.

VIDEO

Television outlets needing OU video highlights are directed to the Big 12's weekly satellite feed. The feed is each Tuesday from Aug. 26-Dec. 9, 2003, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. (Central). Contact the conference office at (214) 742-1212 for more information and coordinates.

DAILY MEDIA AVAILABILITY

► Monday: Bob Stoops participates on the Big 12's Weekly Teleconference at 10:10 a.m. All coaches and players* available following practice. Practice is open to photographers for the first 15 minutes.

► Tuesday: Media Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. at the stadium. Coach Stoops' comments, beginning at noon, available via telephone to media only (contact Athletics Media Relations for more information). A few players also available. All coaches and players* who did not participate in the luncheon are available following practice. Practice open to photographers for first 15 minutes.

► Wednesday: Assistant coaches available following practice. Coach Stoops and players are not available. Practice is open to photographers for the first 15 minutes.

► Thursday: Bob Stoops available following practice. No player availability.

► Friday: No availability.

► Saturday: Post-game availability only.

** Some players have evening classes that could preclude post-practice interviews.*

