

GAME NOTES



2008 USC TROJANS FOOTBALL

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2008 SCHEDULE (0-0)

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Aug. 30	at Virginia	3:30 p.m. (ABC/ESPN2)
Sept. 13	Ohio State	5 p.m. (ABC)
Sept. 25	at Oregon State	6 p.m. (ESPN)
Oct. 4	Oregon	5 p.m. (ABC/ESPN)
Oct. 11	Arizona State	TBA
Oct. 18	at Washington State	12:30 p.m. (FSN)
Oct. 25	at Arizona	7:15 p.m. (FSN)
Nov. 1	Washington	TBA
Nov. 8	California	5 p.m. (ABC)
Nov. 15	at Stanford	4 p.m. (Versus)
Nov. 29	Notre Dame	5 p.m. (ABC/ESPN)
Dec. 6	at UCLA	1:30 p.m. (ABC)

PAC-10 STANDINGS

	PAC-10		OVERALL	
	W	L	W	L
ARIZ	0	0	0	0
ASU	0	0	0	0
CAL	0	0	0	0
ORE	0	0	0	0
OSU	0	0	0	0
STAN	0	0	0	0
UCLA	0	0	0	0
USC	0	0	0	0
WASH	0	0	0	0
WSU	0	0	0	0

AP POLL

- Georgia
- Ohio State
- USC**
- Oklahoma
- Florida
- Missouri
- LSU
- West Virginia
- Clemson
- Auburn
- Texas
- Texas Tech
- Wisconsin
- Kansas
- Arizona State
- BYU
- Virginia Tech
- Tennessee
- South Florida
- Illinois
- Oregon
- Penn State
- Wake Forest
- Alabama
- Pittsburgh

USA TODAY POLL

- Georgia
- USC**
- Ohio State
- Oklahoma
- Florida
- LSU
- Missouri
- West Virginia
- Clemson
- Texas
- Auburn
- Wisconsin
- Kansas
- Texas Tech
- Virginia Tech
- Arizona State
- BYU
- Tennessee
- Illinois
- Oregon
- South Florida
- Penn State
- Wake Forest
- Michigan
- Fresno State

NO. 3/2 USC FOOTBALL OPENS 2008 SEASON AT VIRGINIA IN SCHOOLS' FIRST MEETING

FACTS

USC (0-0 overall, 0-0 Pacific-10) vs. Virginia (0-0 overall), Saturday, Aug. 30, 3:30 p.m. EDT/12:30 p.m. PDT, Scott Stadium, Charlottesville, Va.

THEMES

Highly-ranked USC travels to the other side of the country to open its promising 2008 season against ACC opponent Virginia. It's the Trojans' first meeting against the Cavaliers and their first game in the state of Virginia. It's also the first time a Pac-10 team has visited Charlottesville. USC—which went 11-2 and won the Rose Bowl last fall—has been on quite a run recently, with 6 consecutive AP Top 4 finishes, BCS bowl trips, Pac-10 titles and 11-win seasons. The Trojans have won their past 10 openers, plus their last 8 non-conference (non-neutral site) road games. Eighth-year USC head coach **Pete Carroll**, college football's winningest active coach (84.4%), will field a team with a veteran defense and a young (just 4 returning starters) but talented offense. The defense features Butkus Award candidates **Rey Mauluga** and **Brian Cushing** at linebacker and Thorpe Award candidates **Taylor Mays** and **Kevin Ellison** at safety, plus other returning starters in DT **Fili Moala**, DE **Kyle Moore** and CB **Cary Harris**. Energetic QB **Mark Sanchez**, a 3-game starter in 2007, appears recovered from a knee injury suffered in fall camp and is ready to lead the Trojan offense. There is a stable of talented running backs, led by TBs **Joe McKnight**, **Stafon Johnson**, **C.J. Gable** and **Allen Bradford**. FB **Stanley Havili** is equally adept at blocking, running and catching. The receiving corps is deep, with WRs **Patrick Turner** and **Vidal Hazelton** the returning starters (they combined for 98 receptions and 7 TDs last fall). OG-C **Jeff Byers**, an Academic All-American candidate, is the only returnee on the offensive front, but the other o-line positions are manned by players who have started at times last year. USC's specialists—strong-legged PK **David Buehler** and P **Greg Woidneck**—are back from 2007 and appear improved. Like Carroll, Virginia head coach **Al Groh** once was head coach of the New York Jets. Now in his eighth year at UVa, Groh's 2008 squad has only 10 returning starters from last fall's 9-4 Gator Bowl team. The Cavaliers must decide on a quarterback between **Peter Lalich** (8 career relief appearances), former Angelino **Scott Deke** (1 career game) and untested **Marc Verica**. TBs **Cedric Peerman** and **Mikell Simpson** present a formidable ground attack, with impressive OT **Eugene Monroe** blocking for them. Virginia's 3-4 defense is led by the likes of LBs **Clint Sintim** and **Jon Cooper**. All 61,500 seats in Scott Stadium are sold, but the game can be viewed live nationally on ABC-TV/ESPN2.

RANKINGS

USC is ranked second by USA Today and third by AP. Virginia is not ranked.

SERIES

This will be the first meeting between USC and Virginia. The teams will meet again on Sept. 11, 2010, in Los Angeles.

RADIO-TV—Live national TV: 12:30 p.m. (PDT), ABC-TV/ESPN2, Brad Nessler, Bob Griese, Paul McGuire, Stacey Dales.

Live national radio: 12:30 p.m. (PDT), ACC ISP Sports Radio Network, Bill Rosinski, Sonny Randle.

Live local radio: 4:30 a.m. (PDT), 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Pete Arbogast, Paul McDonald, John Jackson, Steve Mason, John Ireland, Colin Cowherd, Dave Denholm, Brandon Hancock, Curtis Conway, Darrell Rideaux, Steve Bisheff, Harvey Hyde, Garry Paskwietz, Drew Belzer, CJ Newton, Mark Willard, A. Martinez, Dave Joseph (includes 8-hour pre-game and 3-hour post-game shows). Nine other stations are included on the USC radio network: KSPA-AM 1510 in Ontario/San Bernardino County/Inland Empire, ESPN 800 in San Diego, KPXS-AM 1010 in Palm Springs, KVEN-AM 1450 in Ventura, ESPN 1280 in San Luis Obispo, KSZL-AM 1230 in Barstow, KGEO-AM 1230 in Bakersfield, ESPN 790 in Fresno and KSFN Spike 1140 in Las Vegas. Fans also can hear the live ESPN Radio broadcast on www.usctrojans.com, on SIRIUS satellite radio (Channel 123) or by dialing 1-800-846-4675 ext. 5933.

Live internet streaming: USCtrojans.com, live pre- and post-game show, live game stats and delayed game telecast.

Trojans Live (postgame show): 4 p.m. (PDT), FSN Prime Ticket, Lindsay Soto, Petros Papadakis, Jeremy Hogue, John Jackson.

Trojan Talk: Noon-3 p.m. (PDT), Tuesdays, 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), John Ireland, Steve Mason, Pete Carroll (replayed on Saturdays, 8 hours before kickoff).

Trojan Chat Room: 7-9 p.m. (PDT), Thursdays, 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Brian Long, Dave Denholm, Curtis Conway, Steve Bisheff, Garry Paskwietz (replayed on Saturdays, 7 hours before kickoff).

Trojan Brunch: 8-10 a.m. (PDT), Sundays, 710 ESPN Radio (KSPN-AM), Mark Willard, Harvey Hyde, Darrell Rideaux, Dave Joseph.

FSN Playbook/Lexus Gauntlet Live: 9 p.m. (PDT), Mondays, FSN Prime Ticket, Bill Macdonald, Petros Papadakis, Jeremy Hogue, Anthony Davis, James Washington, John Jackson, Sean Farnham.

USC Trojan Talk: 7 p.m. (PDT), Sundays, KSH-AM (1400), Harvey Hyde, Kevin Shaw. Fans also can hear the live KSH broadcast on www.kshp.com.

USC FOOTBALL

- 11 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
- 30 BOWL VICTORIES
- 151 ALL-AMERICANS
- 7 HEISMAN TROPHY WINNERS
- 414 NFL PLAYERS
- 22 ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICANS

FUN FACT I

USC's game at Virginia marks the Trojans' first-ever visit to the state of Virginia. It will be the 34th different state in which USC has played (Troy has also played in Japan).

FUN FACT II

USC head coach **Pete Carroll** and Virginia's **Al Groh** both spent a season as the head coach of the New York Jets. Carroll did so in 1994, going 6-10, while Groh was 9-7 there in 2000. Also, they were both assistants in the NFL throughout some of the 1980s and 1990s, although they were never on the same staff together. Carroll was with the Minnesota Vikings from 1987 to 1989 while Groh was with the Atlanta Falcons (1987) and New York Giants (1988-89). Then Carroll was an assistant with the Jets from 1990 to 1993 while Groh was with the Giants (1990-91), Cleveland Browns (1992) and New England Patriots (1993). Groh continued on the Patriots staff until 1996 while Carroll (after head coaching the Jets in 1994) moved to the San Francisco 49ers in 1995 and 1996. Then, while Carroll was the Patriots head coach from 1997 to 1999, Groh was an assistant with the Jets. In 1991, they both served as defensive coordinators in the same city, Carroll with the Jets and Groh with the Giants.

FUN FACT III

In its history dating to 1888, USC has had only 1 football letterman who hailed from Virginia: 1959-60 letterwinning left tackle **John Wilkins**, who came to USC from Newport News High (after a stint at The Citadel).

USC ONLINE—The USC athletic department has an official "home page" on the web, featuring current and historical information about Trojan sports. For access, type www.usctrojans.com.

IT'S NOT SOUTHERN CAL—Note to the media: In editorial references to athletic teams of the University of Southern California, the following are preferred: USC, Southern California, So. California, Troy, Trojans and (for women's teams) Women of Troy. PLEASE do not use Southern Cal.

PAC-10 ONLINE—Pac-10 information, press releases, statistics and links to all league schools are available online at www.pac-10.org.

PAC-10 SATELLITE FEED—The Pac-10 provides a weekly 30-minute satellite feed featuring interviews with coaches and players regarding upcoming games along with highlight footage. The half-hour feed airs every Wednesday (Sept. 3 through Dec. 3) at 11:30 a.m. (PDT). Coordinates are **Galaxy 28 (C), Transponder 119, Audio 6.2, 6.8, Uplink Frequency 6,350.00-H, Downlink Frequency 2 04,080.00-V**. Trouble numbers: (310) 779-3467, (310) 200-9907, (925) 932-4411 or (310) 845-3825.

PAC-10 COACHES TELECONFERENCE—Pac-10 football coaches are available for 10 minutes each on a media teleconference beginning at 10 a.m. (PDT) every Tuesday (through Nov. 25) during the season. **USC coach Pete Carroll comes on at 10:40 a.m. (PDT)**. Beginning at 3 p.m. (PDT) each of those Tuesdays, a taped replay of the teleconference is available until the next call. Call the Pac-10 office (925-932-4411) or USC sports information office (213-740-8480) to obtain the media-only phone numbers for the Pac-10 Coaches Teleconference.

PETE CARROLL MEDIA LUNCHEON—USC head coach **Pete Carroll** hosts a media-only luncheon in the Heritage Hall lounge at 11:30 a.m. (PDT) each Tuesday during the season (except bye weeks). Transcribed quotes and a video replay from each session are available on usctrojans.com.

OPENERS

USC's record in all season openers is 84-23-8 (.765), with 36 shutout victories. Troy has won its past 10 openers. In season openers on the road, the Trojans are 26-7-1 (.779). In road openers (the first road contest of the year), USC is 75-27-8 (.718).

USC VS. ACC

USC is 10-6 all-time against current Atlantic Coast Conference teams: 3-0 versus Duke, 2-0 versus Boston College, 1-0 versus both Clemson and Virginia Tech, 2-1 vs. Georgia Tech, 1-1 versus Miami (Fla.) and 0-2 against both Florida State and North Carolina. USC's last game against an ACC opponent was a 24-13 win over Virginia Tech in the Black Coaches Association Classic at FedEx Field in Landover, Md., to open the 2004 season (that snapped a 3-game losing streak to ACC foes). On the other hand, Virginia has played just 1 other Pac-10 team (0-1, a 1976 loss at Washington), making USC the first Pac-10 team to visit Charlottesville.

USC VS. VIRGINIA SCHOOLS

In its only meeting against a school from the state of Virginia, USC beat Virginia Tech, 24-13, in the 2004 Black Coaches Association Classic at FedEx Field in Landover, Md.). Although it is in the neighboring state, the Trojans are also 1-0 versus West Virginia (a 35-0 home win in 1959).

IN AUGUST

USC has a 5-2 (.714) all-time record while playing in the month of August. Troy's last August contest was against ACC opponent Virginia Tech, a 24-13 season-opening win on Aug. 28, 2004, in the Black Coaches Association Classic at FedEx Field in Landover, Md.

ARTIFICIAL TURF

USC is 25-12-1 in its last 38 games on artificial turf.

CONNECTIONS

USC has 1 player from Virginia (walk-on TB **Chris Fornataro** from Mills Godwin HS in Richmond), while Virginia claims 2 California natives (QB **Scott Deke** from Loyola HS in Los Angeles and LB **Darren Childs** from Mission Bay HS in San Diego)...Virginia director of football video operations **Luke Goldstein** held a similar position at USC from 1998 to 2000.

PRE-SEASON RANKINGS...

The 2008 Trojans will be in the hunt to win another national title and to capture their seventh straight Pac-10 title, according to various pre-season prognosticators. Here's a look:

	National	Pac-10
FWAA	1 st	1 st
Rivals.com	1 st	1 st
USA Today	2 nd	1 st
ESPN Magazine	2 nd	1 st
Lindy's	2 nd	1 st
Associated Press	3 rd	1 st
Sports Illustrated	3 rd	1 st
The Sporting News	3 rd	1 st
SI.com	3 rd	1 st
Blue Ribbon	3 rd	1 st
Athlon	4 th	1 st
ESPN.com	4 th	1 st
CBSSports.com	4 th	1 st
Phil Steele's	4 th	1 st
Playboy	5 th	1 st
Pac-10 Media	—	1 st

...AND PRE-SEASON HONORS

LB **Rey Maualuga** (Sports Illustrated, The Sporting News, Lindy's, Athlon, Playboy, Phil Steele's, Collegefootballnews.com), S **Taylor Mays** (Sports Illustrated, Athlon, Playboy, Phil Steele's), LB **Brian Cushing** (Playboy, Phil Steele's), DT **Fili Moala** (The Sporting News, Phil Steele's) and TB **Joe McKnight** (The Sporting News) have been named to various pre-season All-American first teams. OG-C **Jeff Byers** made an All-American second team. USC's linebacker and secondary position units are ranked No. 1 nationally by some of these media outlets. Besides the above-mentioned players, S **Kevin Ellison**, TB **Stafon Johnson** and DEs **Kyle Moore** and **Everson Griffen** have been selected to various pre-season All-Pac-10 first teams.

WATCH LISTS

The following Trojans have made the official "Watch Lists" for national 2008 post-season awards, to date:

OG-C **Jeff Byers**

Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)

LB **Brian Cushing**

Butkus Award (top linebacker)
Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player)
Bednarik Award (top defensive player)
Lott Trophy (top defensive impact player)

S **Kevin Ellison**

Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player)
Bednarik Award (top defensive player)
Thorpe Award (top defensive back)

TB **Stafon Johnson**

Maxwell Award (top player)

LB **Rey Maualuga**

Walter Camp Award (top player)
Butkus Award (top linebacker)
Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player)
Bednarik Award (top defensive player)
Lombardi Award (top lineman)

S **Taylor Mays**

Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player)
Bednarik Award (top defensive player)
Thorpe Award (top defensive back)
Lott Trophy (top defensive impact player)

TB **Joe McKnight**

Maxwell Award (top player)

DT **Fili Moala**

Outland Trophy (top interior lineman)
Bronko Nagurski Award (top defensive player)
Bednarik Award (top defensive player)

DE **Kyle Moore**

Hendricks Award (top defensive end)

C **Kristofer O'Dowd**

Rimington Trophy (top center)

QB **Mark Sanchez**

Maxwell Award (top player)
Davey O'Brien Award (top quarterback)

WR **Patrick Turner**

Maxwell Award (top player)

6 CONSECUTIVE

USC is riding a streak of 6 consecutive AP Top 4 finishes (including national championships in 2003 and 2004) and BCS bowls (an NCAA record) and Pac-10 crowns (a league record) and 11-win seasons (also an NCAA record).

WIN STREAKS

USC owns several active winning streaks:
—non-conference home games (11);
—non-conference road games (8, not including 5 neutral site wins and 1 neutral site loss);
—September games (14)
—November games (23).

USC'S PAST 6 YEARS UNDER CARROLL

Eighth-year USC head coach **Pete Carroll** has a system in place that, after going 6-6 in his 2001 debut season, has made the past 6 years (since 2002) glorious ones for the Trojans:

—Six AP Top 4 finishes, including national championships in 2003 and 2004;

—Six BCS bowl appearances (an NCAA record);

—Six Pac-10 championships (a Pac-10 record);

—Six seasons with at least 11 victories (an NCAA record);

—A winning record of 89.7% (70-8), including 11-1 against traditional rivals Notre Dame and UCLA;

—An AP Top 25 ranking for the past 78 games, a school record;

—67 wins in the last 73 games, with the losses coming by just 20 points (the first by 3 points in triple overtime at California in 2003, the second by 3 points in the final 19 seconds to Texas in the 2006 Rose Bowl's BCS Championship Game to fall just short of an unprecedented third consecutive national championship, the third by 2 points on a failed 2-point conversion pass with 7 seconds to play at Oregon State in 2006, the fourth by 4 points at UCLA in 2006 to deny Troy an appearance in a third straight BCS Championship Game, the fifth by 1 point at home to Stanford and the sixth by a TD at No. 5 Oregon);

—Twenty-seven victories over AP Top 25 teams (27-4 overall, 87.1%);

—No-longer-active win streaks for home games (35), overall games (34), Pac-10 games (27), Pac-10 home games (24), road games (18), non-conference games (16), games against AP Top 25 teams (16) and Pac-10 road games (13);

—A no-longer-active national-record 63 straight 20-point games;

—A no-longer-active national-record 33 consecutive weeks as AP's No. 1-ranked team;

—A no-longer-active school record 63 consecutive games ranked in the AP Top 10;

—Twenty-nine All-American first teamers;

—Three Heisman Trophy winners;

—Forty NFL draft picks, including 11 first rounders;

—Seven Top 10 recruiting classes.

HIGH RANKING

USC has been ranked in the AP Top 25 for its past 78 games, a school record. Troy has been in the AP Top 10 for 66 of its past 70 games, including a since-snapped school record of 62 consecutive games. The Trojans have been in the AP Top 5 in 69 of the last 82 polls (including 5 pre-season polls).

USC'S WINNINGEST 6-, 5-, 4-, 3-, 2- AND 1-YEARS

USC's 70 wins during the previous 6 years (11 in 2002, 12 in 2003, 13 in 2004, 12 in 2005, 11 in 2006 and 11 in 2007) is the winningest 6-year span in school history. Its 59 wins during the 5-year periods of 2003-07 and 2002-06 are tied for its best 5-year runs. Its 48 wins during the 4-year spans of both 2002-05 and 2003-2006 tied for its best 4-year spans. Troy's 37 wins from 2003-05 represented the winningest 3-year period in Trojan history. Also, USC's 25 wins during the 2-year spans of both 2003-04 and 2004-05 tied for its best 2-year spans. And USC posted its first 13-win season in 2004, its eighth perfect (unbeaten, untied) season ever.

USC'S PAC-10 TITLES

After sharing the Pac-10 championship in 2002, USC won the 2003 Pac-10 title outright (its first outright crown since 1989) and again in 2004 and 2005 before sharing it in 2006 and 2007. Those 6 consecutive conference titles are unprecedented in Pac-10 history. USC has won the league title 37 times, more than twice as much as any other school.

LAST YEAR

USC went 11-2 in 2007 (7-2 in the Pac-10), including a convincing win in the Rose Bowl, and finished No. 2/3 in the final polls. The losses were by a total of just 8 points. The Trojan defensive unit was second nationally last year in both total defense (273.2) and scoring defense (16.0), as well as fourth in rushing defense (84.2) and sixth in pass efficiency defense (102.1). However, USC's offense last year did not rank in the national Top 25 in any offensive statistical category for the first time since head coach **Pete Carroll's** debut season in 2001.

SCHEDULE

USC's 2008 schedule features 7 teams that were in bowls last season. The Trojans face a challenging start, as their first 5 foes all were bowl teams and won at least 9 games in 2007. USC opens its campaign on Aug. 30 at Virginia in the first-ever meeting between the schools. Troy then hosts Ohio State—which has played in the last 2 BCS Championship Games—on Sept. 13 (it will be the first battle between the teams since 1990 and the Buckeyes' first visit to the Coliseum in 19 years). USC then begins its quest for a seventh consecutive Pac-10 crown when it plays a Thursday night (Sept. 25) game at Oregon State. Troy's other Pac-10 road games are at Washington State, Arizona, Stanford and the Dec. 6 season-ender versus UCLA, while the Trojans host Oregon, Arizona State, Washington and California. USC will try to extend its 6-game winning streak over Notre Dame when the Irish visit the Coliseum on Nov. 29. The Trojans figure to remain a popular attraction. During head coach **Pete Carroll's** tenure, USC has set school attendance and sellout records, including Pac-10 marks for home total and average attendance. In 2007, USC's overall total (1,056,685) and average (81,283) attendance figures were school records. All 6 of USC's home games in 2008 are sold out (the games sold out by Aug. 4, 2008).

RETURNING TROJANS

USC returns 13 starters (4 on offense and 7 on defense, plus the kicker and punter) from 2007. In all, 76 squadmen are back from last year, including 53 who saw playing time (45 were lettermen and 32 were on USC's season-ending 2-deep). On the roster are 31 Trojans who have started at least once in their career. Joining them in 2008 are 20 new scholarship players, including 2 who enrolled at USC this past spring and participated in spring drills. For the sixth year in a row, USC's recruiting class was ranked in the Top 10 nationally by the media.

GONE FROM 2006

Thirty-three squadmen are gone from 2007, including 27 lettermen and 11 starters (10 were selected in the 2007 NFL draft). USC's losses are significant on both sides of the ball. Gone from the defense are 2-time All-American nose tackle Sedrick Ellis, who was the 2007 Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year

and was a 2-time Morris Trophy recipient (he notched 28.5 tackles for a loss and 17.5 sacks in his career), end Lawrence Jackson, a 4-year starter who had 52 tackles for a loss and 30.5 sacks in his career, 2007 All-American linebacker Keith Rivers (240 career tackles) and cornerback Terrell Thomas, who had 8 career interceptions. Also gone is versatile linebacker Thomas Williams, who had 14 career starts while playing every linebacker position. All were NFL draftees, with Ellis, Jackson and Rivers going in the first round. Missing on offense are 2-year starting quarterback John David Booty, who was 20-3 as a starter (9-0 against ranked teams) and is in USC's career Top 6 in pass completions (518), yardage (6,125) and TDs (55) as well as in total offense (5,945 yards), All-American tight end Fred Davis, the 2007 Mackey Award winner who set USC's career and season tight end records for receptions, yardage and touchdowns (he had 117 career catches, including a team-best 62 catches with 8 TDs last fall) and 3-time All-American first team left tackle Sam Baker, an NFL first round selection. Also gone are tailback Chauncey Washington, who had 1,778 career rushing yards and was Troy's leading ground gainer the past 2 seasons (969 yards last year), 2007 All-Pac-10 first team right guard Chilo Rachal, center Matt Spanos and right tackle Drew Radovich, a 2-year-starter. Four-year snapper Will Collins and 2-year holder Michael McDonald also must be replaced, along with part-time punt returner Desmond Reed (1,212 career all-purpose yards).

PETE CARROLL

Eighth-year USC head football coach Pete Carroll has returned the Trojan football program to national prominence. He is 76-14 (84.4%) in 7 years (2001-2007) as a college head coach (all at USC), the best winning percentage of any current Division I coach with at least 5 years of experience. He reached 50 career USC wins faster than any head coach in Trojan history. His losses have been by a total of 59 points (4.2 average) and only 1 was by more than a touchdown (it was by 11 points). After starting off his Trojan career 2-5, he has gone 74-9 (89.2%) with a pair of national championships (2003-04). He is 49-9 in Pac-10 games, giving him an 84.5% winning mark (a league record). His teams have been ranked in the AP Top 25 for the past 78 games, a school record. He is 23-0 in November. He has 28 victories over AP Top 25 teams (28-7 overall, 80.0%). His teams have won an unprecedented 6 consecutive Pac-10 titles and appeared in an NCAA record 6 consecutive BCS bowls (including a pair of BCS Championship Games). His teams have recorded at least 11 victories in each of the past 6 seasons, an NCAA record, and finished ranked in the AP Top 4 in each of those seasons. USC's 13, 25, 37, 48, 59 and 70 wins during 1-, 2-, 3-, 4-, 5- and 6-year spans represent the winningest periods in Trojan history. Under Carroll, USC is riding winning streaks in 23 November games, 14 September games, 11 non-conference home games and 8 non-conference road games (not including 5 neutral site contests). His USC teams also had a number of other since-broken winning streaks: a Pac-10 record 35 consecutive home games, Pac-10-record 34 overall games, a Pac-10-record 27 Pac-10 games, a Pac-10 record 24 consecutive league home games, a school-record 18 road

games (not including 4 neutral site contests), 18 October games, 16 non-conference games, 16 games against AP Top 25 teams and a school-record 13 Pac-10 road games. His Trojans also set a no-longer-active NCAA record by scoring at least 20 points in 63 consecutive games. USC was AP's No. 1 team for a national-record 33 straight polls (including 2 pre-season polls) and was ranked in the AP Top 10 for a school-record 63 consecutive games. He was named the 2003, 2005 and 2006 Pac-10 Coach of the Year. Under Carroll, USC is the first school to have 3 Heisman Trophy winners in a 4-year span. Carroll has produced 30 All-American first teamers and 42 NFL draft picks (including 11 first rounders, with a No. 1 selection in Carson Palmer and a No. 2 in Reggie Bush). His last 6 recruiting classes have been ranked in the Top 10 nationally (including first 5 times by some experts). He also served as USC's defensive coordinator in his first 5 seasons at Troy.

TOP ACTIVE COACHES BY WINNING PERCENTAGE
(Minimum 5 years as Division IA/FBS head coach;
Record at 4-year colleges only)

	Yrs	Won	Lost	Tied	Pct	
1.	Pete Carroll, USC	7	76	14	0	.844
2.	Urban Meyer, Florida	7	70	16	0	.824
3.	Bob Stoops, Oklahoma	9	97	22	0	.815
4.	Mark Richt, Georgia	7	72	19	0	.791
5.	Phillip Fulmer, Tennessee	16	147	45	0	.766
6.	Bobby Bowden, Florida State	42	373	119	4	.756
7.	Lloyd Carr, Michigan	13	122	40	0	.753
8.	Joe Paterno, Penn State	42	372	125	3	.748
9.	Steve Spurrier, South Carolina	18	163	56	2	.742
10.	Jim Tressel, Ohio State	22	208	73	2	.739

OFFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Only 4 starters returned on offense in 2008: wide receivers **Patrick Turner** and **Vidal Hazelton**, fullback **Stanley Havili** and guard-center **Jeff Byers**. Others back with starting experience are quarterbacks **Mark Sanchez** and **Mitch Mustain**, tailbacks **C.J. Gable** and **Allen Bradford**, wide receivers **David Ausberry**, **Ronald Johnson** and **Damian Williams**, center **Kristofer O'Dowd**, guard **Zack Heberer** and tackles **Butch Lewis** and **Charles Brown**. Mustain and Williams had their starts while at Arkansas. Although USC's top rusher, passer and receiver from 2007 are gone, its next 4 most productive runners, its next most productive passer and its next 5 most productive receivers returned in 2008. The Trojans aim to rev up an offense that—although much improved over the 2006 model—last year did not rank in the national Top 25 in any offensive statistical category for the first time since coach Pete Carroll's debut season in 2001.

QUARTERBACKS

Much like coach Pete Carroll and crew had to do—and did quite well—in 2003 (replacing Carson Palmer) and in 2006 (replacing Matt Leinart), USC must again replace one of the top quarterbacks in school history in 2008. John David Booty is gone along with his 20-3 record as a starter (including 9-0 against Top 25 teams). He ended up ranked in USC's all-time Top 6 in

passing completions (fifth with 518), passing yardage (fifth with 6,125), passing touchdowns (fourth with 55) and total offense (sixth with 5,945 yards). In 2007, the 62.3% career passer hit 215-of-340 (63.2%) of his throws for 2,361 yards and 23 TDs with just 10 interceptions. He was an NFL fifth round draft pick. Several players with outstanding pedigrees competed this past spring to replace Booty in 2008, with junior **Mark Sanchez** (69-of-114, 60.5%, 695 yds, 7 TD, 5 int in 2007) emerging as the starter. When Booty missed 3 mid-season games (Arizona, Notre Dame and Oregon) with a broken finger in 2007, Sanchez stepped in and not only performed well, but gained valuable experience. He guided Troy last year to victories in his first 2 career starts (including a 38-0 shutout in South Bend) and had the Trojans positioned to come back at No. 5 Oregon before falling just a touchdown short of victory. In his time at USC, he has appeared in 14 games. Behind Sanchez are sophomore **Mitch Mustain**, who sat out the 2007 season after transferring from Arkansas, and untested redshirt freshman **Aaron Corp**, who guided his high school team to the California state championship in 2006. Mustain was 8-0 as a true freshman starter for the Razorbacks in 2006 and, in fact, has a 61-2 record as a starting quarterback dating back to eighth grade. While appearing in 10 games for Arkansas in 2006, he completed 69-of-132 passes (52.3%) for 894 yards, 10 scores and 9 picks. Mustain (in 2005), like Sanchez (in 2004), was named the national prep player of the year as a high school senior. Corp possibly is the most mobile of the quarterbacks and could bring another dimension to the Trojan offense. In case of emergency, junior wide receiver **Garrett Green** (1-of-1, 100.0%, 34 yds, 1 TD in 2007), who came to USC in 2006 as a quarterback before being moved to safety and then spending last year as a wide receiver, is available. He will long be remembered for his 34-yard scoring toss off a lateral early in last year's Rose Bowl. New to the quarterback ranks this fall is walk-on redshirt freshman **Chris McCaffrey**, who was a reserve pitcher on the USC baseball team this past spring.

TAILBACKS

Although Chauncey Washington, USC's leading rusher the past 2 seasons (he had 969 yards and 10 TDs in 2007), has finished his Trojan career after piling up 1,778 yards and 19 scores (he was an NFL seventh round draft pick), there are plenty of returning tailbacks to fill in for him. This might be the best running back corps in America. Troy's 2008 tailback stable includes: junior **Stafon Johnson** (98 tcb, 673 yds, 6.9 avg, 5 TD in 2007, plus 4 rec, 15 yds, 3.8 avg), a consistent, dependable runner who had a trio of 100-yard outings last fall (at Nebraska and Washington and in the Rose Bowl versus Illinois); sophomore **Joe McKnight** (94 tcb, 540 yds, 5.7 avg, 3 TD in 2007, plus 23 rec, 203 yds, 8.8 avg, 1 TD and 19 PR, 160 yds, 8.4 avg), the exciting all-purpose breakaway back who can strike as a runner, receiver and returner (he had 3 games in 2007 with at least 100 all-purpose yards, including 206 in the Rose Bowl); soph **C.J. Gable** (13 tcb, 143 yds, 11.0 avg in 2007, plus 1 rec, 8 yds, 8.0 avg, 1 TD and 2 KOR, 34 yds, 17.0 avg), who has 7 career starts, including the first 2 contests of 2007 before being sidelined the rest of the way with abdomen surgery; junior **Allen**

Bradford (15 tcb, 24 yds, 1.6 avg, 1 TD in 2007, plus 3 rec, 23 yds, 7.7 avg, 2 TD and 11 tac), a hard-charging runner who is particularly adept catching passes out of the backfield and who also shines on special teams; and redshirt freshmen **Broderick Green** and **Marc Tyler**, who were both sidelined with injuries in 2007 (foot and leg, respectively). Joining this group this fall as a freshman was prep All-American **Curtis McNeal**, along with walk-on freshman **Chris Fornataro**.

FULLBACKS

Sophomore **Stanley Havili** (21 tcb, 134 yds, 6.4 avg, 2 TD in 2007, plus 34 rec, 248 yds, 7.3 avg, 5 TD) returns as the fullback and could emerge among the best in the nation. He has proven to be not only a fine blocker, but an effective runner and receiver. Behind him are just a couple of untested players. Junior **Adam Goodman** (1 tac in 2007) was Havili's backup last fall and saw brief action (the one-time walk-on earned a scholarship this past spring). Then there's walk-on senior **Matt Hillier**, who also is on the USC men's volleyball team.

WIDE RECEIVERS

USC's entire corps of scholarship wide receivers from 2007 (except for 1 reserve) returns this season. They'll be counted on to up their production in 2008, as they accounted for less than half of USC's 286 receptions last year. Both starters—senior split end **Patrick Turner** (48 rec, 569 yds, 11.9 avg, 3 TD in 2007, plus 1 tac and 1 FF) and junior flanker **Vidal Hazelton** (50 rec, 540 yds, 10.8 avg, 4 TD in 2007, plus 1 tcb, 12 yds, 12.0 avg)—are back. Turner's 89 career grabs puts him 21st on USC's career pass catching chart. He had 5 games with 5-plus receptions in 2007, including 9 versus Stanford. Hazelton caught a pass in every game last year. But hot on their heels are the likes of sophomores **David Ausberry** (26 rec, 240 yds, 9.2 avg, 2 TD in 2007, plus 1 tac), who had 5 starts last fall, **Ronald Johnson** (7 rec, 110 yds, 15.7 avg., 1 TD in 2007, plus 4 tcb, 27 yds, 6.8 avg and 25 KOR, 620 yds, 24.8 avg and 2 tac), who started once and also was Troy's top kickoff returner in 2007, and **Damian Williams**, who sat out the 2007 campaign after transferring from Arkansas (where he started 5 times and caught 19 passes as a true freshman in 2005). Also in the mix are sophomore **Travon Patterson** (1 rec, 0 yds, 0.0 avg in 2007), who missed most of last fall with a foot injury, and redshirt freshman **Brandon Carswell**, as well as junior **Garrett Green** (1-of-1, 100.0%, 34 yds, 1 TD in 2007), the one-time reserve quarterback who will long be remembered for his 34-yard scoring toss off a lateral early in last year's Rose Bowl. Green is available as an emergency quarterback in 2008. Then there are 6 walk-ons who have yet to catch a pass: sophomores **Sean Calcagnie**, **Preston Cavignac**, **Scott Stephens**, **Duron Sylvester** and **Spencer Vigoren** and redshirt freshman **Drew Ness**. A pair of talented freshmen enrolled this fall—prep All-Americans **Brice Butler** and **D.J. Shoemate**—along with junior college transfer **Jordan Cameron**, a sophomore, and walk-on freshman **Robbie Boyer**.

TIGHT ENDS

USC will be hard-pressed to replace Fred Davis, the most prolific tight end in Trojan history. Davis, Troy's first-ever Mackey Award winner, set school tight end records for career catches (117), receiving yardage

(1,408) and touchdowns (13). His 2007 All-American first team showing also produced USC season tight end standards: a team-best 62 receptions for 881 yards and 8 TDs. He was drafted in the NFL's second round. Looking to fill his shoes are junior **Anthony McCoy** (2 rec, 18 yds, 9.0 avg, 1 TD in 2007), redshirt freshman **Rhett Ellison**, the son of ex-USC and NFL linebacker Riki (Gray) Ellison, and senior **Jimmy Miller**, who missed most of 2007 with a back injury (he has 2 touchdowns among his 3 career receptions, all in 2005), plus soph **Cooper Stephenson**, who also will be a long snapper (the one-time walk-on earned a scholarship past this spring). Figuring to get an instant look at the position is **Blake Ayles**, a prep All-American who came aboard this fall as a freshman.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN

The Trojan offensive line is undergoing a near-complete reconstruction in 2008, as only 1 starter returned. That veteran is left guard **Jeff Byers**, the line's only senior. He also has seen time at center. Now in his second year working on his M.B.A., he is an Academic All-American candidate. Departed are 3-time All-American first team left tackle Sam Baker (a first round NFL draft pick), 2007 All-Pac-10 first team right guard Chilo Rachal (he opted out after his junior season to enter the NFL draft, where he was a second rounder), center Matt Spanos and right tackle Drew Radovich, a 2-year starter. But things aren't as bleak as might be imagined. Because injuries forced all the 2007 starters but Byers to miss some games, a number of younger offensive linemen acquired valuable playing time last fall. That experience should propel them into starting jobs in 2008. Sophomore **Butch Lewis** started 3 mid-season games at left tackle for Baker last year (he's now at right tackle). Fellow sophomore **Zack Heberer** started twice in mid-2007 at right guard for Rachal. Soph **Kristofer O'Dowd**—a 2007 Freshman All-American first team selection—started 3 early contests at center for Spanos, becoming the first USC true freshman to start at center (as well as only the third Trojan true freshman to start a post-World War II opener on the offensive line). Junior **Charles Brown** started the 2007 opener at right tackle for Radovich, but he's now at left tackle). Also vying for playing time are 3 little-used juniors—guard **Thomas Herring**, tackle **Nick Howell** (his father, Pat, was a USC All-American and NFL star guard) and tackle-center-guard **Alex Parsons**—plus redshirt freshmen **Martin Coleman**, a guard-tackle, and tackle-center **Michael Reardon**. Sophomore **Derek Simmons** (2 tac in 2007) was moved this fall from defensive tackle to offensive guard. Freshman guard **Matt Meyer**, a prep All-American who graduated a semester early from high school, enrolled at USC this past spring and participated in spring drills. So did junior walk-on center-guard **Garrett Nolan**, an All-State junior college transfer who previously played at Holy Cross. Joining the fray this fall as freshmen was a trio of prep All-Americans: guard **Khaled Holmes** and tackles **Matt Kalil** and **Tyron Smith**. The older brothers of Holmes (Alex) and Kalil (Ryan) played football recently for the Trojans and then in the NFL. Also new this fall were a pair of walk-ons in junior center-tackle **Steve Gatena**, who started at UC Davis in 2007, and freshman center **Abe Markowitz**.

DEFENSIVE OVERVIEW

Seven defensive starters returned from 2007: linebackers **Rey Mauluga** and **Brian Cushing**, safeties **Taylor Mays** and **Kevin Ellison**, cornerback **Cary Harris**, tackle **Fili Moala** and end **Kyle Moore**. Others back with starting experience are safety-cornerback **Josh Pinkard**, linebackers **Kaluka Maiava** and **Clay Matthews**, end **Everson Griffen**, cornerbacks **Kevin Thomas** and **Shareece Wright** and safety **Shane Horton** (while at UNLV). The 2008 Trojans are looking to replicate the stinginess of last year's unit, which was second nationally in both total defense (273.2) and scoring defense (16.0), as well as fourth in rushing defense (84.2) and sixth in pass efficiency defense (102.1). USC also was third nationally in sacks (3.5), 11th in tackles for a loss (7.7) and 15th in pass defense (189.0). Troy allowed a national-low 9 TD passes in 2007. Opponents averaged just 4.1 yards per play (including only 2.5 per rush) last fall. But performing at that level could be a challenge this year, as 5 of USC's top 9 tacklers from 2007 are gone, as are last year's leaders in interceptions, sacks, tackles for losses, fumble recoveries, forced fumbles and deflections. Most importantly, the Trojans are aiming to get back to the hallmark of coach Pete Carroll defenses: a high positive number in turnover margin (for the second year in a row, USC was just mediocre in this area in 2007).

DEFENSIVE LINEMEN

The biggest area of concern on defense in 2008 is rebuilding the line, which lost 2 of the best defensive linemen in school history: nose tackle Sedrick Ellis and end Lawrence Jackson. Ellis, a 2-time All-American who was the 2007 Pac-10 Defensive Player of the Year and a 2-time Morris Trophy recipient, posted 28.5 tackles for a loss and 17.5 sacks in his career. Jackson, who owns the USC game records for tackles for a loss (5.5) and sacks (4), was a 4-year starter who had 52 tackles for a loss and 30.5 sacks in his career. Both were NFL first round draftees. Two starting linemen do return and both are steady seniors: tackle **Fili Moala** (32 tac, 5.5 for loss, 2.5 sack in 2007), who will be in the lineup for his third season, and end **Kyle Moore** (35 tac, 3.5 for loss, 2 sack, 2 int, 1 FF, 1 FR, 5 dfl in 2007). Competing for time at the open nose tackle spot are junior **Averell Spicer** (9 tac, 2 for loss, 1 sack in 2007) and sophomore **Christian Tupou**. Both have loads of potential but minimal experience. Also available at tackle is redshirt freshman **DaJohn Harris**. Sophomore **Everson Griffen** (21 tac, 5.5 for loss, 5.5 sack, 2 FF, 1 FR, 2 dfl in 2007), a 2007 Freshman All-American first team choice, has the inside track at the vacant end job. He started twice last year and was the first USC true frosh defensive lineman to start an opener since 1986. Other ends looking to get in the mix are senior **Gerald Washington** (1 tac in 2007) and redshirt freshman **Trey Henderson** (he can also play tackle), plus walk-on senior **Andrew Weiss**, a converted offensive tackle. Also, senior linebacker **Clay Matthews** (17 tac, 3 for loss, 2 FF, 1 dfl, 2 BLK FG in 2007) might be used as a stand-up end in certain defensive formations. Coming aboard this fall as freshmen were tackles **Armond Armstead** and **Jurrell Casey** and ends **Wes Horton**, **Malik Jackson** and **Nick Perry**. Armstead, Horton and Perry were prep All-Americans.

LINEBACKERS

Once again, USC is loaded at every linebacker spot. That's saying a lot considering the Trojans lost 2007 All-American Keith Rivers, a 3-year starter on the weak side who had 240 career tackles, and utility man Thomas Williams, who made 14 career starts while playing every linebacker position. Rivers was chosen in the NFL draft's first round, while Williams was a fifth rounder. Headlining the linebacker corps are 2-time All-Pac-10 first teamer **Rey Mauluga** (79 tac, 10.5 for loss, 6 sack, 1 FR, 1 FF, 1 int, 3 dfl in 2007) in the middle and **Brian Cushing** on the strong side. Both seniors have been honored as Rose Bowl Defensive MVPs (Mauluga last season and Cushing the previous year) and both are All-American and Butkus Award candidates in 2008. Mauluga, USC's tackle leader in 2007, has 194 career stops. Senior **Kaluka Maiava** (44 tac, 4.5 for loss, 2 sack, 1 FF, 2 dfl in 2007), who has started twice in his career, has assumed Rivers' spot on the weak side. Pushing for time is junior **Luthur Brown** (25 tac, 0.5 for loss in 2007), who is able to play any linebacker position. Fellow senior **Clay Matthews** (17 tac, 3 for loss, 2 FF, 1 dfl, 2 BLK FG in 2007), the son of the former Trojan All-American and NFL star of the same name, started twice last year for an injured Cushing and is versatile enough to play any spot. He might also be used as a stand-up end in certain defensive formations. Other linebackers fighting to see action are junior **Nick Garratt**, a one-time walk-on who earned a scholarship this fall, sophomores **Michael Morgan** (9 tac in 2007) and **Malcolm Smith** (6 tac, 1 FF in 2007), the brother of ex-Trojan All-American wide receiver and Super Bowl champion Steve Smith, and redshirt freshmen **Chris Galippo** (8 tac in 2007), who missed most of 2007 with a back injury, and converted fullback **Jordan Campbell**. Also available is sophomore walk-on **Dan Deckas**. Galippo and Deckas are middle linebackers, while the others play on the outside. Freshman walk-on **Ross Cumming** also got thrown into the mix this fall.

DEFENSIVE BACKS

The Trojan secondary should be in good shape in 2008, despite losing lockdown cornerback Terrell Thomas, who had 8 career interceptions (he was chosen in the fifth round of the NFL draft). Seven defensive backs have starting experience. Both safeties are starting for their third seasons and could earn All-American and Thorpe Award acclaim in the fall: 2007 All-American first team free safety **Taylor Mays** (65 tac, 1 int, 6 dfl, 1 FR, 1 FF in 2007), a junior, and 2007 All-Pac-10 first team strong safety **Kevin Ellison** (57 tac, 8 for loss, 2 sack, 2 int, 6 dfl, 2 FF in 2007), a senior. Dependable senior **Cary Harris** (48 tac, 2 for loss, 1 FF, 1 FR, 1 int, 7 dfl in 2007) returned at a cornerback spot. Junior **Shareece Wright** (29 tac, 3.5 for loss, 1 sack, 4 dfl in 2007), who started once last year, has won the vacant corner job. But 2 others coming off injuries are challenging for time: senior **Josh Pinkard**, a 2005 starter (primarily at cornerback) who started the 2006 opener at free safety before knee injuries sidelined him since then (he can also play safety and figures to be USC's nickel back), and junior **Kevin Thomas** (he started twice in 2006 but hasn't played since then because of foot, ankle and shoulder injuries). There are also 3 walk-on cornerbacks in junior **Matthew Jordan**, sophomore **Omari Crittenden** and redshirt freshman **Daniel**

Harper. Other safeties battling for action are junior **Will Harris** (5 tac in 2007) and soph **Marshall Jones** (1 dfl in 2007), plus walk-ons **Justin Hart**, a junior, sophomore **Robert Erickson** and redshirt freshman **Spencer Spiegel.** Sophomore safety **Shane Horton**, the older brother of Trojan defensive end Wes Horton, transferred to USC this past spring from UNLV, but he'll have to sit out the 2008 season because of NCAA transfer rules. He started 6 games for the Rebels as a first-year freshman last year, getting 35 tackles and an interception. This fall, **Brian Baucham** and prep All-American **T.J. Bryant** at cornerback and **Drew McAllister** at safety entered the competition as freshmen, along with walk-on freshman safety **Ryan McMahon.**

SPECIAL TEAMS OVERVIEW

USC's punter (**Greg Woidneck**), placekicker (**David Buehler**) and top kickoff (**Ronald Johnson**) and punt (**Joe McKnight**) returners from last year are back in 2008, but there is a new snapper and holder. Troy is looking to improve in all facets of special teams, as none were exceptionally "special" in 2007. The Trojans were decent on kick returns and placekicking last year, but were in the nation's bottom 20 in net punting (partly because 3 punts were blocked) and punt returns and yielded a scoring kickoff return.

SPECIALISTS

Senior **Greg Woidneck** (37.9 avg in 2007, plus 1 tac) returned for his third season as USC's punter. Although 40% of his punts pinned opponents within the 20-yard line last fall, he is looking to improve his distance and eliminate blocked punts (he's had 4 in his career, including 3 last year). Backing him is sophomore walk-on **Billy O'Malley.** Strong-legged senior placekicker **David Buehler** (52-of-54 PAT and 16-of-19 FG in 2007, plus 3 tac) is handling all the kicks again this year and could be among the top kickers in the nation. He has hit 4-of-6 field goals of 40-plus yards in his career. In 2007, 18 of his 84 kickoffs were touchbacks (including 5 in the Rose Bowl) and 35 pinned foes within the 20-yard line. Behind him are walk-ons **Jordan Congdon**, a junior who was Nebraska's kicker in 2004 and 2005, and sophomore **Joe Houston.** Believe it or not, a crucial position that USC needs to fill in 2008 is at long snapper now that 4-year starter Will Collins, who performed flawlessly in his career, is gone. Sophomore tight end **Cooper Stephenson** (the one-time walk-on earned a scholarship past this spring) emerged from spring practice with the job snapping to the punter. Enrolling this fall as a freshman was **Chris Pousson** and he'll snap on placekicks. They'll be backed by walk-on senior **Christian Putnam.** Like at snapper, USC is breaking in a new holder on placekicks in 2008 after the graduation of 2-year holder Michael McDonald. Senior punter **Greg Woidneck** takes over, backed by junior wide receiver **Garrett Green.** USC's top returners from last season are back in 2008. Sophomore wide receiver **Ronald Johnson** (25 KOR, 620 yds, 24.8 avg in 2007) topped Troy in kickoffs and already ranks 13th on the all-time Trojan kick return list. Soph tailback **Joe McKnight** (19 PR, 160 yds, 8.4 avg in 2007) led the team in punt returns and was employed whenever punts were expected to reach midfield, although gone is sure-handed tailback Desmond Reed, who was used when punts had to be fielded deep in Trojan territory (he also returned some kickoffs and ended up

ranked 17th on that USC career list). McKnight could also be used on kickoff returns. Also experienced on kickoffs is sophomore tailback **C.J. Gable** (2 KOR, 34 yds, 17.0 avg in 2007), who is 20th on the Trojan career kickoff return ladder. Junior tailback **Stafon Johnson** and redshirt freshman wide receiver **Brandon Carswell** are also available to return punts.

STATS OF NOTE

WINS

***USC has won 56 of its last 61 games, 67 of its last 73, 68 of its last 75, 70 of its last 78 and 74 of its last 83.

***USC has won at least 11 games in each of the past 6 seasons, an NCAA record.

OFFENSE

***Offensively, USC ranked 17th nationally in sacks allowed (1.3, second in Pac-10) in 2007.

***Of USC's 70 offensive scoring drives in 2007, 40 took 3 minutes or less (including 26 under 2 minutes), while 16 went 80-plus yards and 19 were 5 plays or less.

***Seven of USC's top 8 rushers in 2007 averaged at least 5.0 yards per carry: Chauncey Washington (5.0), Stafon Johnson (6.9), Joe McKnight (5.7), C.J. Gable (11.0), Stanley Havili (6.4), Desmond Reed (5.1) and Ronald Johnson (6.8).

***USC, which averaged just 128.0 rushing yards in 2006, was over 200 rushing yards in 7 games in 2007 and averaged 197.2 in 2007.

***USC converted 43.7% of its third downs (86-of-197) in 2007.

***Seventeen different players caught a pass in 2007 and 11 caught a TD.

SCORING

***USC has scored at least 20 points in 78 of its past 81 contests (including a since-broken NCAA record 63 consecutive games, a streak that was snapped in the 2006 UCLA game).

***USC has scored at least 30 points in 53 of its last 71 games.

***USC has scored at least 40 points 38 times under Pete Carroll (including 13 times with at least 50 points).

***USC outscored opponents 100-42 in the first quarter, 128-52 in the second quarter and 120-38 in the third quarter in 2007.

***Since trailing late in the third quarter at Oregon State in 2006, 33-10, USC has outscored its opponents, 627-272.

***USC has a knack for scoring 20 or more unanswered points in a game (8 times in 2007, 5 times in 2006, 13 times in 2005, 12 times in 2004 and 11 times in both 2003 and 2002).

***During the Pete Carroll era, USC has more than doubled the score of its opponents in the second half of games (1,633 to 770 points).

***Since 2003, USC has scored touchdowns of 20-plus yards 113 times.

DEFENSE

***Defensively in 2007, USC was second nationally in total defense (273.2, first in Pac-10) and scoring defense (16.0, first in Pac-10), fourth in rushing defense (84.2, second in Pac-10) and sixth in pass efficiency defense (102.1, first in Pac-10), plus third in sacks (3.5, first in Pac-10), 11th in tackles for a loss (7.7, fifth in Pac-10) and 15th in pass defense (189.0, first in Pac-10).

***USC held 6 of its 13 opponents in 2007 to 14 points or less (and 10 of the past 20 foes dating back to mid-2006).

***USC allowed just 9 touchdown passes in 2007, tied with Utah for fewest surrendered by any team in the nation.

***USC's opponents averaged just 2.5 yards per rush (third lowest in the nation) and 4.1 yards per play in 2007 (second lowest in the nation).

***USC's 2007 opponents averaged just 273.2 total yards per game, the lowest Troy has allowed since the 1989 team allowed 238.4.

***USC's 2007 opponents averaged just 4.06 yards per play, the lowest Troy has allowed since the 1982 team allowed 3.93.

***USC held 9 of its 13 opponents in 2007 to 260 total yards or less (including 4 foes held to under 200 total yards and 3 of the last 7 foes to 176 or less total yards).

***USC has intercepted a pass in 58 of the last 75 games.

***USC scored 106 points following opponent turnovers in 2007 (after 18 of the 28 times it came up with a turnover); conversely, opponents have scored 62 points following Trojan turnovers (after 10 of the 26 times the opponents came up with a turnover).

***USC's turnover margin of +0.2 in 2007 and +0.3 in 2006 were well below the upward trend from each previous year under Pete Carroll (+1.3 in 2001, +1.4 in 2002, +1.5 in both 2003 and 2004 and +1.6 in 2005).

***USC won the turnover battle in only 7 games in 2007 (Nebraska, Arizona, Notre Dame, California, Arizona State, UCLA and Illinois).

***USC has held 49 of its last 77 opposing teams to 100 rushing yards or less (10 times in 2007, 6 times in 2006, 5 times in 2005, 8 times in 2004, 10 games in 2003 and 10 times in 2002).

***Only 9 opposing runners have rushed for 100 yards against USC in the past 74 games (California's Adimchinobe Echemandu did so in 2003 with 147, breaking a streak of 16 consecutive games without a 100-yard rusher, Cal's J.J. Arrington in 2004 with 112, Washington State's Jerome Harrison in 2005 with 147, Fresno State's Wendell Mathis in 2005 with 109, Texas' Vince Young in 2005 with 200, Oregon State's Clinton Polk in 2006 with 100, Oregon's Jonathan Stewart in 2007 with 103, Cal's Justin Forsett in 2007 with 164 and Illinois' Rashard Mendenhall in 2007 with 155).

***Under Pete Carroll, USC is 41-2 when holding opponents to less than 300 yards of total offense (the losses were at UCLA in 2006 and Stanford in 2007).

***Since allowing a 69-yard TD pass in the third quarter of the BYU game in 2004, USC had not allowed a pass completion longer than 45 yards over the next 177 quarters before Illinois had 55- and 56-yarders in 2007.

MISCELLANEOUS

***All 6 of USC's home games in 2008 are sold out (they did so by Aug. 4, 2008).

***For the fourth consecutive year, USC ranked last in the Pac-10 in opponent penalty yardage average (44.8) in 2007.

***USC's overall attendance (1,056,685) and overall average attendance (81,283) in 2007 were school records.

***USC's 5 road sellouts in 2007 tied a school record (also set in 1978-79-80-82-85-2005).

***USC has played before crowds of at least 85,000 in 29 of its past 55 games.

***Seventeen of USC's last 23 home games (including a since-broken streak of 14 in a row) have been played in front of 90,000-plus crowds. ***USC played 7 night games in 2007, tying the school record set in 2004 and 2006.

***USC is 38-4 in the final 6 regular-season games in head coach Pete Carroll's 7 years (the losses were to Notre Dame in 2001, Oregon State and UCLA in 2006 and Oregon in 2007).

***Thirteen of the 14 losses in the Pete Carroll era at USC were by a touchdown or less (the other was by just 11 points).

TAKEAWAYS

In head coach Pete Carroll's 7 seasons at USC, Troy is +100 overall (239 takeaways and 139 giveaways). Those 239 takeaways since 2001 are the most in the nation. Until the 2006 season, USC was effective in the takeaway department during Carroll's tenure. USC's +1.5 turnover margin over Carroll's first 5 seasons was the best in the nation and its 189 takeaways during that span also were the most. Troy was +0.2 in turnover margin in 2007 (getting 16 fumbles and 12 interceptions while giving away 16 interceptions and 10 fumbles).

YEAR	TO MARGIN (NCAA/PAC)	TAKEAWAYS (INT/FUM)	GIVEAWAYS (INT/FUM)
2001	+1.3 (5/11)	35 (20/15)	19 (12/7)
2002	+1.4 (5/2)	36 (17/19)	18 (10/8)
2003	+1.5 (2/1)	42 (22/20)	22 (9/13)
2004	+1.5 (1/1)	38 (22/16)	19 (7/12)
2005	+1.6 (2/1)	38 (22/16)	17 (10/7)
2006	+0.3 (38T/5)	22 (11/11)	18 (11/7)
2007	+0.2 (41/4)	28 (12/16)	26 (16/10)
TOTAL	—	239 (125/114)	139 (76/63)

CARROLL'S DEFENSE

USC's 2007 defensive figures were tops in the **Pete Carroll** era in total defense, second best in pass defense, third best in score defense and fourth best in rush defense.

YEAR	RUSH D	PASS D	TOTAL D	SCORE D
2001	155.2	175.6	330.8	17.3
2002	83.2	201.8	284.9	18.5
2003	60.2	276.2	336.4	18.4
2004	79.4	199.9	279.3	13.0
2005	130.5	230.4	360.9	22.8
2006	91.1	204.8	295.8	15.2
2007	84.2	189.0	273.2	16.0

ASSISTANT COACHES

USC's continuity in 2008 should be helped because the coaching staff remained intact from 2007, except for the loss of secondary graduate assistant Demetric Martin (he was replaced by former Trojan and NFL cornerback **Kris Richard**). USC's holdovers maintained their same job responsibilities as in 2007: **Steve Sarkisian** (assistant head coach/offensive coordinator/quarterbacks), **Nick Holt** (defensive coordinator/defensive line), **Todd McNair** (running backs/special teams coordinator), **Pat Ruel** (offensive line), **Brennan Carroll** (tight ends/recruiting coordinator), **Ken Norton Jr.** (linebackers), **Rocky Seto** (secondary), **David Watson** (defensive line), **John Morton** (passing game coordinator/wide receivers) and **Yogi Roth** (quarterbacks graduate assistant).

RANDOM NOTES

***USC's 2008 team captains, as selected by their teammates at the end of fall camp, are: S **Kevin Ellison**, QB **Mark Sanchez**, LB **Brian Cushing** and OG-C **Jeff Byers**.

***The 2008 season marks the 80th anniversary of USC's first national championship team (1928) and the 30th anniversary of the 1978 national championship squad (USC's last title prior to the Pete Carroll era). The 1928 team went 9-0-1 (the blemish was a scoreless tie at California) under coach Howard Jones, posted Troy's first-ever win over Notre Dame and was led by the likes of All-Americans Jess Hibbs and Don Williams. Coach John Robinson's 1978 Trojans were 12-1 (losing at Arizona State), posted victories over Top 10 teams Alabama, Notre Dame and Michigan and featured players such as All-Americans Charles White and Pat Howell, plus Paul McDonald, Brad Budde, Anthony Munoz, Dennis Johnson, Rich Dimler, Ronnie Lott and Marcus Allen.

***USC is 172-52-10 (.756) in seasons that the Summer Olympics have been held. The Trojans won 4 national championships (1928-32-72-2004) and played in 10 bowls (winning 7) during those Olympic seasons.

***USC is 188-59-14 (.747) during presidential election years. The Trojans are 118-26-5 (.809) in years when Republicans won the White House and 70-33-9 (.663) when Democrats won. USC has won 4 national championships (1928-32-72-2004) during presidential election years. Since 1929, USC has played in the Rose Bowl during the term of every U.S. President.

***Head coach **Pete Carroll** has made it a practice to play first-year freshmen at USC. During Carroll's 7 years at Troy, 74 first-year freshmen have seen action at USC (7 in 2001, 12 in 2002, 13 in 2003, 8 in 2004, 11 in 2005, 15 in 2006 and 8 in 2007).

***USC currently has 3 players who graduated a semester early from high school and enrolled at USC in the spring. S **Kevin Ellison** enrolled at USC in the spring of 2005, OG-OT **Martin Coleman** enrolled in the spring of 2007 and OG **Matt Meyer** enrolled in the spring of 2008. Since 1999, 12 Trojans have graduated at least a semester early from high school and come to USC (including 1 who graduated a full year early).

***DE-DT **Trey Henderson** is believed to be the first Canadian player offered a scholarship to play football at USC.

***FB **Adam Goodman** is USC's only married player. Goodman and wife Jessica—she's the daughter of former USC and NFL tight end Mark Boyer—were married in the summer of 2007.

***Three current Trojans played against USC in 2006 as members of opposing teams. QB **Mitch Mustain** (4-of-6 passing for 47 yards and an interception, plus a 4-yard TD run) and WR **Damian Williams** (4 catches for 61 yards) played for Arkansas in Troy's 50-14 season-opening road win. PK **Jordan Congdon** (38-yard field goal and a PAT) was on Nebraska's team that lost at USC, 28-10.

***Who's the fastest among the 2008 Trojans? It might be WR **Travon Patterson** (best of 10.44 in the 100 meters and 21.41 in the 200 meters), who was fourth in the 2006 California state 100. TB **Joe McKnight** has been clocked at 10.4 in the 100 (he was the 2006 Louisiana state 100 champ and was second in 2007).

***Speaking of track and field, DE-DT **Trey Henderson**, who set a Canadian youth record in the hammer throw while in high school, recorded a personal-best mark of 196-3 while competing for USC in the event at the 2008 NCAA West Regional meet (he placed 13th). S **Taylor Mays** was a 2-time (2004-05) Washington state 3A champion in the 100 and 200 meters. CB **Brian Baucham** won the 300-meter intermediate hurdles title at the 2008 California state meet (his best was 37.26) despite taking up the event in just the final 6 weeks of his senior season. TE **Blake Ayles** was second at the 2008 California state meet in the discus throw (he also won the 2008 CIF Division III meet), posting a best of 193-6 (he also had a best of 51-7 ¾ in the shot put). C **Abe Markowitz** was second at the 2008 Hawaii state meet in the shot put and discus.

***Besides the previously-mentioned Henderson, there are several other multi-sport USC football players who have participated on other Trojan sports teams. WR **Travon Patterson** is also a sprinter on the USC track team, FB **Matt Hillier** is an opposite hitter on the men's volleyball team and QB **Chris McCaffery** is a pitcher on the baseball team.

***LB **Kaluka Maiava** participated in boxing in high school. DE **Gerald Washington** played tennis as a youth and competed in juniors tournaments. OG-OT **Martin Coleman**, who grew up on the Tongan island of Vavau, played rugby as a youth.

***Before DE **Gerald Washington** entered junior college in 2004, he spent the previous 4 years in the U.S. Navy as a helicopter mechanic.

***OG-C **Jeff Byers** already has received his bachelor's degree (in business administration in the summer of 2007). In fact, the Academic All-American candidate is in the second year of working on his M.B.A.

***OG-OT **Martin Coleman** enjoys art and had one of his sculpture pieces displayed at the 2008 "Arletics" on-campus exhibit that featured the works of USC student-athletes.

***PK **Jordan Congdon** wears his normal-sized 10.5 cleated shoe on his left (non-kicking) foot, but a very tight 7.5-sized cleat on his right foot.

***In 2008, **Pete Carroll** was picked as the nation's top head coach and **Pat Ruel** as the nation's top offensive line coach by CBSsports.com.

***USC offensive administrative assistant **Albert Dorsey** spent part of the summer of 2008 serving a coaching internship with the Oakland Raiders as part of the NFL's Minority Fellowship program.

*****Noboru Hamabe**, the quarterbacks coach at Tokyo's Waseda University, is spending the season at USC observing the Trojan football program.

***Not only has head coach **Pete Carroll** produced numerous NFL draft picks (42) from his USC teams, but 10 of his Trojan assistant coaches have gone on to the NFL from USC: Lane Kiffin, Norm Chow, Kennedy Pola, Greg Burns, Tim Davis, Jethro Franklin, **Steve Sarkisian** (he has since returned to USC), Carl Smith, DeWayne Walker and Kirby Wilson. Kiffin, Franklin, Smith, Walker and Wilson all previously had NFL experience before coming to USC (as do current assistants **Pat Ruel**, **Todd McNair** and **John Morton**). And **Nick Holt** (Idaho) and Ed Orgeron (Mississippi) both left USC to become collegiate head coaches (Holt now is back at USC after a couple days' detour to the NFL, while Oregon is now in the NFL).

***Seating capacity in the Coliseum has been upped from 92,000 to 93,607 with the addition of seats in the lower northeast (Sections 27 and 28) and southeast (Sections 1 and 2) areas of the stadium.

***The latest book about USC football is "Trojans Essential: Everything You Need To Know To Be A Real Fan" (Triumph Books) by Steven Travers. It was published in August of 2008.

***The newly-redesigned USCTrojans.com features live game broadcasts, replays of classic contests, exclusive behind-the-scenes video and original programming about USC athletics. It covers all 19 of USC's men's and women's sports, with an emphasis on football and basketball. Nearly all of USC's home sporting events are shown live, and include pre- and post-game shows. Most home and road football, basketball and other games that are aired live on commercial or cable television networks, and thereby protected contractually from live coverage elsewhere, are replayed almost immediately upon their conclusion on Trojan All-Access. Also featured on Trojan All-Access are daily post-practice reports, live coverage of head football coach Pete Carroll's Tuesday and post-game press conferences and video blogs centered around key USC athletes and teams, as well as coverage of breaking news pertaining to Trojan athletics. A vault of historic USC football games, dating to the 1930s, is available for viewing, as is other archived Trojan sports programming. There is live "GameTracker" statistical coverage of many USC's events. USCTrojans.com also continues to feature extensive historical material and an online athletic merchandise store and ticket office.

***USC president **Steven Sample** has issued the following message to Trojan fans regarding good sportsmanship in the Coliseum: "Dear Friends of Trojan Football: The Coliseum is 'our house' on game days. I hope you are as committed as I am to being good hosts. You set the example: The way you cheer our team and show respect to your fellow fans (including those of the opposing team) has a powerful influence on everyone around you. Only a small number of fans—most of them *not* USC students or alumni—cause trouble at games. However, those being subjected to boorish behavior or abusive language certainly don't take the time to discover the offenders' affiliation to USC. Crass fans sully the game for everyone. The best way for us to be good hosts is, first, to model good sportsmanship and civility and, second, to refuse to tolerate other

spectators' bad or unruly behavior. If you see someone disrupting others' enjoyment of the game, please alert a Coliseum usher or security staff. You also can report inappropriate behavior by calling 213-765-8525. Let's enjoy the games and show our true Trojan spirit by setting a tone of sportsmanship and civility. Fight On!"

***Head coach **Pete Carroll** has his own website, PeteCarroll.com. It offers an exclusive window into the Trojan football program, complete with an hour-by-hour blog and behind-the-scenes photos and stories. Run by former Daily Trojan sportswriter-turned-USC walk-on wide receiver **Ben Malcolmson**, PeteCarroll.com features a variety of Carroll-related information, multimedia, merchandise, and fan club memberships that include exclusive benefits. Proceeds benefit "A Better LA," the non-profit organization the Carroll helped found to help reduce gang violence in Los Angeles.

***In 2003, head coach **Pete Carroll** helped develop "A Better L.A.," a non-profit group consisting of a consortium of local agencies and organizations working to reduce gang violence by empowering change in individuals and communities. For more information, go to ABetterLA.com. In the fall of 2008, he helped organize "LA LivePeace 08," a march and rally at the Coliseum to promote gang intervention and non-violence in Los Angeles.

***USC's current head coaches in football (**Pete Carroll**) and baseball (**Chad Kreuter**) both attended the same high school (Redwood High in Larkspur, Calif.).

***Strength and conditioning coach **Chris Carlisle** has beaten cancer. He learned he had Hodgkin's Disease in December of 2000, began radiation treatments in Tennessee (where he was still the Volunteers' associate strength and conditioning coach), was hired by USC in February of 2001, kept his illness a secret except to Trojan head coach Pete Carroll, continued treatments in Tennessee and at USC/Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center and Hospital, then doctors told him in the summer of 2001 that the cancer was in remission. He informed the USC players of his ordeal at the start of fall 2001 camp. He was 1 of 17 nominees for the 2003 Most Courageous Award presented by the Football Writers Association of America and 1 of 11 nominees for the 2005 award.

***Six Trojans have relatives who played on national championship USC football squads: TE **Rhett Ellison** (father, Riki Gray Ellison, was on the 1978 team), OG **Khaled Holmes** (brother, Alex, was on the 2003 and 2004 teams), OT **Nick Howell** (father, Pat Howell, was an All-American on the 1978 team), OT **Matt Kalil** (brother, Ryan was on the 2003 and 2004 teams), LB-DE **Clay Matthews** (father, 1977 All-American Clay Matthews, was on the 1974 team and brother, Kyle Matthews, was on the 2003 team) and LB **Malcolm Smith** (brother, 2006 All-American Steve Smith, was on the 2003 and 2004 teams).

***Several Trojans have other relatives with USC football connections. LB-DE **Clay Matthews'** uncle, Bruce Matthews played on the offensive line at USC in 1980 to 1982 (he was a 1982 All-American). QB-WR **Garrett**

Green's cousin is former Trojan quarterback Brandon Hance (2003-04). P **Greg Woidneck's** brothers, Brian and Rob, were managers with the USC football team (2001-02). FB **Adam Goodman's** father-in-law is former Trojan tight end Mark Boyer (1982-84). C **Abe Markowitz's** grandfather, Larry, played football at USC in the early 1950s, while his cousin is former USC offensive lineman Faaesha Mailo (1997-99, 2000, 2002).

***Speaking of genes: WR **David Ausberry's** cousin is Tommie Smith, the 1968 Olympic gold medalist in the 200 meters who is long remembered for giving the "Black Power" salute (with John Carlos) on the medal stand. PK **David Buehler's** father, John, was a 3-year (1969-71) letterman on USC's track team as a shot putter, while his uncle, George Buehler, lettered in football at Stanford for 3 years (1966-68) and then played guard with the Oakland Raiders (1969-78) and Cleveland Browns (1978-79) and another uncle, Charles, lettered in football at Stanford for 3 years (1960-62). WR **Brice Butler's** father, Bobby, was a 1980 All-American cornerback at Florida State who then played 12 years (1981-92) with the Atlanta Falcons, while his brother, Brenton, is a junior on Fordham's basketball team. WR **Jordan Cameron's** sister, Brynn, is a senior guard on USC's women's basketball team, while his grandfather, Jack Cravens, played basketball and baseball at BYU (1957-59). QB **Aaron Corp's** father, Chris, lettered at wide receiver for 2 years (1980-81) at Idaho State and was a member of the Bengals' NCAA Division I-AA championship team (he caught a TD pass in the title game), while his mother, Mary, played volleyball at Idaho State. S **Kevin Ellison's** brother, Chris, was a defensive back at BYU in 1997 and 1998 and another brother, Keith, was a linebacker at Oregon State in 2004 and 2005 (he also played at San Diego State in 2002) who now plays with the NFL's Buffalo Bills, while his cousin, Donminic Ellison, played basketball at Washington State and New Mexico State. TE **Rhett Ellison's** father, Riki (Gray) Ellison, lettered at linebacker for 4 seasons (1978-80, 1982) at USC, where he was a member of the 1978 national championship team and earned All-Conference honors in 1979, then played in the NFL with the San Francisco 49ers (1983-89), where he appeared in the 1985 and 1989 Super Bowls, and Los Angeles Raiders (1990-92), while his sister, Wesley, played water polo at Michigan for 4 years (2004-07). TB **Broderick Green's** half-brother is Kansas City Chiefs safety Greg Wesley. DE **Everson Griffen's** cousin is Arizona State tailback Keegan Herring. S **Shane Horton** and DE **Wes Horton** are the sons of Myke Horton, who lettered 2 years (1973-74) as an offensive tackle at UCLA, was drafted by the New England Patriots in 1975, played professionally in the USFL (with Washington and Memphis) and the CFL (with Calgary), then was one of the original members of the syndicated TV show "American Gladiators" (he was Gemini from 1989 to 1992). OT **Matt Kalil's** father, Frank, was a center at Arkansas (1978) and Arizona (1980-81-82), then was drafted by the Buffalo Bills in 1982 before playing for the USFL's Arizona Wranglers in 1983 and Houston Gamblers in 1984. LB **Kaluka Maiava's** grandfather is ex-pro wrestler Neff Maiava, his father, Scott Mahoney, was an offensive lineman at Colorado (1969-71), his uncle is pro wrestler/actor "The Rock" (Dwayne Johnson, who

played football at Miami) and his brother, Kai, is a junior offensive lineman at UCLA (he formerly played at Colorado). C **Abe Markowitz's** father, Barry, lettered as a linebacker at UCLA in 1974 and his cousins include former Hawaii and San Francisco 49er offensive linemen Jesse Sapolu and Colorado freshman offensive lineman Max Tuioti-Mariner. LB-DE **Clay Matthews'** brother, Casey, is a sophomore linebacker at Oregon and his cousin, Ashley Nick, is a senior on the USC women's soccer team (the 2007 NCAA champions). S **Taylor Mays'** father, Stafford Mays, was a defensive lineman at Washington in 1978 and 1979 who then played in the NFL with the St. Louis Cardinals (1980-86) and Minnesota Vikings (1987-88). TB **Joe McKnight's** sister, Johanna, is a senior on the basketball (guard) and track (sprints/jumps) teams at Richmond. TE **Jimmy Miller's** brother, Jeff, is a sophomore defensive tackle at UCLA. DT **Fili Moala's** father, Fili Sr., was a heavyweight boxer in the 1970s who sparred with Ken Norton and lost a 1979 fight to Ron Lyle, while his cousin is former Oregon defensive lineman Haloti Ngata, now with the NFL's Baltimore Ravens. LB **Michael Morgan's** brother, Steve, was a defensive tackle at UCLA from 1999 to 2002. C **Kristofer O'Dowd's** grandfather, Jack, lettered in football at Arizona for 3 years (1930-32). OT-C-OG **Alex Parsons'** brother, B. Jay Parsons, was a defensive end at Kentucky (2004-05). QB **Mark Sanchez's** brothers—Nick (Yale in 1992-93-94) and Brandon (DePauw in 1997)—played football in college. SNP-TE **Cooper Stephenson's** father, Curt, was a 3-year (1975-77) letterman wide receiver at Michigan (the 1976 Wolverine squad lost to USC in the Rose Bowl), where he twice made the Big Ten All-Academic team, while his cousin, Joe Robles, is a sophomore placekicker/punter at California. DT **Christian Tupou's** brother, Fenuki, is a senior offensive tackle at Oregon. TB **Marc Tyler's** father, Wendell Tyler, was a running back at UCLA (1973-76) who led the Bruins in rushing in 1975 (they won the Rose Bowl that season), earned All-Conference first team honors in 1976 and is fifth on the school's career rushing list, then was an All-Pro with the Los Angeles Rams (1977-82) and San Francisco 49ers (1983-86), appearing in the Super Bowl in 1980 and 1985. Head coach **Pete Carroll's** wife, Glenna, played volleyball at Pacific, while his son, Brennan, was a tight end at Delaware and Pitt (he currently is an assistant football coach at USC) and his daughter, Jaime, played on the 2000 USC women's volleyball team. DB coach **Rocky Seto's** wife, Sharla, played soccer at USC. TE coach **Brennan Carroll** is the son of USC head coach Pete Carroll: his wife, Amber played volleyball at North Carolina, in Europe and on the AVP beach tour under her maiden name, Amber Willey. LB coach **Ken Norton Jr.** is the son of Ken Norton Sr., the former world heavyweight boxing champion who played football at Northeast Missouri State. DL coach **Nick Holt** is the grandson of Clarence Buster Crabbe, USC's first All-American swimmer (1931) who was a 1931 NCAA freestyle titlist and 1932 Olympic gold medalist (he won a bronze in 1928) before starring in Hollywood as Tarzan, Flash Gordon and Buck Rogers.

***OT **Butch Lewis'** real first name is Wendell, DE-DT **Trey Henderson's** is Nolan and offensive line coach **Pat Ruel's** is Golden. TB **C.J. Gable's** initials stand for Carl Jr., while WR **D.J. Shoemate's** stand for Dennis Jr.

IN THE NFL

USC is always well-represented in the NFL. At the start of training camp this summer, there were 44 ex-Trojans on NFL rosters. Last year, there were 27 Trojans on opening day NFL rosters, including players such as RB Reggie Bush, Justin Fargas and LenDale White, LBs Junior Seau and Lofa Tatupu, DLs Willie McGinest, Shaun Cody, Mike Patterson and Kenechi Udeze, QBs Carson Palmer and Matt Leinart, WR Steve Smith and Keary Colbert, DBs Troy Polamalu, Sammy Knight and Brian Kelly and OL Taitusi Lutui and Ryan Kalil. Six NFL head coaches have USC ties (either as former players or assistants): Jacksonville's Jack Del Rio, Tennessee's Jeff Fisher, Seattle's Mike Holmgren, Oakland's Lane Kiffin, San Diego's Norv Turner and Detroit's Rod Marinelli. Also, there's a former Trojan as head coach in the Arena League (Pat O'Hara of the Los Angeles Avengers). Fifteen current USC players have relatives with NFL playing backgrounds: PK **David Buehler** (uncle, George Buehler), WR **Brice Butler** (father, Bobby), S **Kevin Ellison** (brother, Keith Ellison), TE **Rhett Ellison** (father, Riki Gray Ellison), TB **Broderick Green** (half-brother, Greg Wesley), OG **Khaled Holmes** (brother, Alex), OT **Nick Howell** (father, Pat Howell), OT **Matt Kalil** (brother, Ryan), C **Abe Markowitz** (cousin Jesse Sapolu), LB **Clay Matthews** (grandfather, Clay Matthews Sr.; father, Clay Matthews; uncle, Bruce Matthews), S **Taylor Mays** (father, Stafford Mays), DT **Fili Moala** (cousin, Haloti Ngata), LB **Malcolm Smith** (brother, Steve Smith), SNP-TE **Cooper Stephenson** (father, Curt) and TB **Marc Tyler** (father, Wendell Tyler). Myke Horton, father of S **Shane Horton** and DE **Wes Horton**, played in the USFL and CFL, while OT **Matt Kalil's** father, Frank, played in the USFL. Additionally, head coach **Pete Carroll** was an NFL head coach and assistant coach, and assistants **Todd McNair**, **John Morton**, **Pat Ruel** and **Steve Sarkisian** were NFL assistants. Five assistant coaches played professionally: **Ken Norton Jr.**, **Todd McNair** and **Kris Richard** were in the NFL, while **Steve Sarkisian** was in the CFL and **John Morton** was in the CFL and NFL Europe.

ON TV

USC is one of America's most televised teams. The Trojans have appeared on live national, regional or local telecasts 373 times, including 239 of the past 241 games (USC's last 80 games have been televised). In fact, USC had an amazing streak of 111 consecutive games on some form of live television from 1988 to 1997 (snapped against Oregon State) and another streak of 48 in a row from 1997 to 2001 (broken against California).

ACADEMICS

Among the top scholars on the 2007 Trojan squad are: PK **Jordan Congdon** (3.48, American studies and ethnicity), QB-WR **Garrett Green** (3.43, business administration), OG-C **Jeff Byers** (3.27, business administration), QB **Mark Sanchez** (3.14, communication), LB **Clay Matthews** (3.06, international relations), FB **Adam Goodman** (3.05, public policy, management and planning), DT **Christian Tupou** (3.02), C-OG **Garrett Nolan** (3.00, public policy, management and planning), TE **Rhett Ellison** (2.97, international relations), SNP **Christian Putnam** (2.96, mathematics), PK **Joe Houston** (2.95, sociology), CB **Matthew Jordan** (2.93, communication), CB **Daniel Harper** (2.92,

business administration), LB **Nick Garratt** (2.90, history), OT-C **Michael Reardon** (2.88), WR **Spencer Vigoren** (2.85), S **Robert Erickson** (2.83, business administration), SNP-TE **Cooper Stephenson** (2.81, public policy, management and planning), C **Kristofer O'Dowd** (2.80), PK **David Buehler** (2.76, public policy, management and planning), P **Greg Woidneck** (2.76, business administration) and LB **Dan Deckas** (2.76, public policy, management and planning). Byers made the 2007 Pac-10 All-Academic second team and Sanchez made honorable mention. Matthews made the 2006 Pac-10 All-Academic second team. In its history, USC football has produced 22 Academic All-American first teamers (tops in the Pac-10 and among the Top 10 in the nation), 20 NCAA Post-Graduate Scholarship winners, 12 National Football Foundation Scholar-Athletes, 5 NCAA Silver Anniversary Award winners, 4 NCAA Today's Top Six winners, 1 Rhodes Scholar and 1 Academic All-American Hall of Famer.

SCOUTING VIRGINIA

After guiding Virginia to a 9-4 record and a Gator Bowl berth in 2007, eighth-year head coach Al Groh fields a relatively inexperienced squad in 2008, with only 10 returning starters (the Cavaliers' fewest since 1986). Senior TB **Cedric Peerman** (113 tcb, team-high 585 yds, 5.2 avg, 2 TD in 2007, plus 12 rec, 99 yds, 8.2 avg and 5 KOR, 87 yds, 17.4 avg), who missed Virginia's last 6 games of 2007 with a foot injury, and junior TB **Mikell Simpson** (113 tcb, 570 yds, 5.0 avg, 8 TD in 2007, plus team-best 43 rec, 402 yds, 9.3 avg, 2 TD and 3 KOR, 57 yds, 19.0 avg) lead the UVa rushing attack. They'll run behind the likes of senior OT **Eugene Monroe** and junior OT **Will Barker**. The main question on offense is who will be the quarterback: sophomore **Peter Lalich** (35-of-61, 57.4%, 321 yds, 2 TD, 1 int in 8 relief appearances in 2008), senior **Scott Deke** (he's played in just 1 career game, but hasn't thrown a pass) or untested soph **Marc Verica**. Anchoring the Cavalier's 3-4 defense are senior OLB **Clint Sintim** (77 tac, 9 for loss, 9 sack, 2 FC in 2007), a 37-game starter, and senior ILB **Jon Cooper** (109 tac, 11 for loss, 3 sack, 2 int, 1 def in 2007), the team's top tackler the past 2 seasons. Other key defenders are senior S **Byron Glaspy** (71 tac, 3 for loss, 1 FR, 1 int, 4 def in 2007), who has 28 career starts, senior ILB **Antonio Appleby** (60 tac, 6 for loss, 2.5 sack, 1 FR, 6 def in 2007), a 27-game starter, and junior CB **Vic Hall** (58 tac, 1 int, 3 def in 2008, plus 23 PR, 230 yds, 10.0 avg and 2 KOR, 33 yds, 16.5 avg).

ROSTER UPDATES

Here are updates from the roster in the 2008 USC football media guide:

—LB **Nick Garratt** received a scholarship this fall. His bio: Garratt, a one-time walk-on who earned a scholarship in the fall of 2008, will serve as a backup linebacker and special teams player as a junior in 2008...He appeared in 5 games (Idaho, Washington State, Washington, Notre Dame and Illinois) on special teams as a sophomore walk-on linebacker in 2007, but did not make a tackle...He appeared in 4 games (Stanford, Oregon, California and Michigan) as a reserve linebacker and on special teams as a redshirt freshman walk-on in 2006, overall making 1 tackle (versus Michigan)...He redshirted as a reserve freshman walk-on linebacker in 2005, his first year at USC...He prepped at South Tahoe High in South Lake Tahoe (Calif.)...He's a history major at USC with a B- average (2.90 GPA).

—Add the following walk-ons: #49 **Robbie Boyer** (WR, 6-0, 175, 11/2/89, Fr./Fr., —, Newport Beach, Mater Dei HS); #46 **Ross Cumming** (LB, 6-1, 220, 9/28/87, Fr./Fr., —, Laguna Niguel, Santa Margarita HS/Naval Academy Prep); #39 **Chris Fornataro** (TB, 6-0, 200, 5/10/90, Fr./Fr., —, Richmond, VA, Mills Godwin HS); #73 **Steve Gatena** (C-OT, 6-5, 290, 12/15/85, Jr./Sr., TR, Westlake Village, Westlake HS/Air Force/UC Davis); #50 **Abe Markowitz** (C, 6-2, 280, 9/26/90/ Fr./Fr., —, Hawaii Kai, HI, Punahou HS); #19 **Chris McCaffery**, (QB, 6-3, 210, 11/2/88, Fr./So., —, Hillsborough, St. Ignatius HS); #49 **Ryan McMahon** (S, 6-0, 200, 10/15/89, Fr./Fr., —, Diamond Bar, Damien HS). Pronunciations are: for-nuh-TAR-oe, guh-TEN-uh, MAR-co-witz, muh-CAF-ree, muk-MAN.

—Change the positions of **Garrett Green** to QB-WR and **Derek Simmons** to OG.

—Change the jersey numbers of OG **Derek Simmons** to #65, S **Justin Hart** to #28 and SNP **Chris Pousson** to #62.

—Change the hometown for TB **Marc Tyler** to Lancaster, Calif.

—Delete **David Clinco** (quit), **Jonathan DeArmaral** (quit), OG **Daniel Campbell** (did not qualify) and LB **Maurice Simmons** (did not qualify).

—Delete football video assistant **Sam Anno**, who is now an assistant coach at Central Connecticut State.

INJURY UPDATE

PROBABLE: QB **Mark Sanchez** (knee), TB **C.J. Gable** (ankle, hip), CB **Cary Harris** (shoulder)

QUESTIONABLE: LB **Luthur Brown** (back), LB **Michael Morgan** (shoulder), CB **Brian Baucham** (foot), CB **T.J. Bryant** (shoulder)

OUT: LB **Chris Galippo** (back), OT-C **Michael Reardon** (hip), OG **Matt Meyer** (foot), DE-DT **Trey Henderson** (knee)

2008 USC FOOTBALL NUMERICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Hgt.	Wgt.	Birthday	Cl.(Ath/Ac)	Exp.	Hometown(High School/JC/College)
1	TURNER, Patrick	WR	6-5	220	5/19/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Nashville, TN (Goodpasture)
1	BRYANT, T.J.	CB	6-1	190	10/9/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Tallahassee, FL (Lincoln)
2	GABLE, C.J.	TB	6-0	200	10/19/87	So.*/Jr.	2V	Sylmar (Sylmar)
2	MAYS, Taylor	S	6-3	230	2/7/88	Jr./Jr.	2V	Seattle, WA (O'Dea)
4	McKNIGHT, Joe	TB	6-0	200	4/16/88	So./So.	1V	River Ridge, LA (John Curtis)
4	ELLISON, Kevin	S	6-1	230	1/8/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Inglewood (Redondo Union)
6	SANCHEZ, Mark	QB	6-3	225	11/11/86	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Mission Viejo (Mission Viejo)
6	SMITH, Malcolm	LB	6-1	225	7/5/89	So./So.	1V	Northridge (Taft)
7	HAZELTON, Vidal	WR	6-2	210	1/29/88	Jr./Jr.	2V	New York, NY (Hargrave Military Academy)
7	HARRIS, Cary	CB	6-0	180	3/22/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Pacoima (Notre Dame)
8	JOHNSON, Ronald	WR	6-1	185	8/3/88	So./So.	1V	Muskegon, MI (Muskegon)
8	PERRY, Nick	DE	6-3	240	4/12/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Detroit, MI (King)
9	AUSBERRY, David	WR	6-4	235	9/25/87	So.*/Jr.	1V	Lemoore (Lemoore)
10	CUSHING, Brian	LB	6-3	255	1/24/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Park Ridge, NJ (Bergen Catholic)
10	SHOEMATE, D.J.	WR	6-0	220	1/1/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Mira Loma (Servite)
13	JOHNSON, Stafon	TB	5-11	215	2/6/88	Jr./Jr.	2V	Compton (Dorsey)
14	GREEN, Garrett	QB-WR	6-2	210	5/21/88	Jr./Jr.	2V	Chatsworth (Notre Dame)
15	CORP, Aaron	QB	6-4	195	3/6/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Villa Park (Orange Lutheran)
15	THOMAS, Kevin	CB	6-1	185	9/20/86	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Oxnard (Rio Mesa)
16	MUSTAIN, Mitch	QB	6-3	210	2/27/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Springdale, AR (Springdale/Arkansas)
17	PATTERSON, Travon	WR	5-10	175	9/20/88	So.*/Jr.	2V	Long Beach (Poly)
17	MORGAN, Michael	LB	6-4	220	1/16/88	So.*/Jr.	1V	Dallas, TX (Skyline)
18	WILLIAMS, Damian	WR	6-1	190	5/26/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Springdale, AR (Springdale/Arkansas)
18	BUEHLER, David	PK	6-2	225	2/5/87	Sr./Sr.	2V	Anaheim (Canyon/Santa Ana JC)
19	McALLISTER, Drew	S	6-1	200	11/12/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Danville (Monte Vista)
19	McCAFFERY, Chris	QB	6-3	210	11/2/88	Fr.*/So.	—	Hillsborough (St. Ignatius)
21	BRADFORD, Allen	TB	5-11	225	8/31/88	Jr./Jr.	2V	San Bernardino (Colton)
22	McNEAL, Curtis	TB	5-8	180	12/3/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Los Angeles (Venice)
23	HORTON, Shane	S	6-1	210	7/25/88	So./So.	TR	Chatsworth (Notre Dame/UNLV)
23	CAMERON, Jordan	WR	6-5	220	8/7/88	So.*/Jr.	JC	Newbury Park (Newbury Park/BYU/Ventura JC)
24	WRIGHT, Shareece	CB	6-0	180	4/8/87	Jr./Jr.	2V	Colton (Colton)
25	HARPER, Daniel	CB	5-11	185	6/4/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Rancho Cucamonga (Damien)
25	O'MALLEY, Billy	P	6-1	195	8/19/87	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Novelty, OH (St. Ignatius)
26	TYLER, Marc	TB	6-0	220	9/27/88	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Lancaster (Oaks Christian)
26	HARRIS, Will	S	6-1	200	12/29/86	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Covina (Charter Oak)
27	JONES, Marshall	S	6-0	185	9/7/88	So./So.	1V	Agoura Hills (Oaks Chrisitan)
28	HART, Justin	S	6-0	175	4/3/87	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	West Covina (South Hills)
28	NESS, Drew	WR	6-0	190	1/24/87	Fr.*/So.	—	San Diego (Westview)
29	GREEN, Broderick	TB	6-2	235	5/22/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Little Rock, AR (Pulaski Academy)
30	BAUCHAM, Brian	CB	5-11	190	3/27/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Torrance (West Torrance)
30	HOUSTON, Joe	PK	5-8	170	9/4/86	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Redondo Beach (Mira Costa/El Camino JC)
31	HAVILI, Stanley	FB	6-0	225	11/14/87	So.*/Jr.	2V	Salt Lake City, UT (Cottonwood)
34	SPIEGEL, Spencer	S	5-11	175	5/4/89	Fr.*/So.	—	Los Angeles (Harvard-Westlake)
35	KAVEINGA, Uona	LB	6-1	235	2/2/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Hawthorne (Leuzinger)
36	PINKARD, Josh	S-CB	6-2	210	4/2/86	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Oxnard (Hueneme)
37	CAMPBELL, Jordan	LB	5-11	230	6/29/88	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Corona (Norco)
38	CONGDON, Jordan	PK	5-9	175	12/15/86	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	San Diego (St. Augustine/Nebraska)
38	ERICKSON, Robert	S	5-11	190	6/5/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Ojai (Nordhoff)
39	FORNATARO, Chris	TB	6-0	200	5/10/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Richmond, VA (Mills Godwin)
40	ELLISON, Rhett	TE	6-5	250	10/3/88	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Portola Valley (St. Francis)
41	HILLIER, Matt	FB	6-2	210	10/17/85	Sr.*/Sr.	—	La Canada (Loyola/Pasadena CC)
43	MAIAVA, Kaluka	LB	6-0	230	3/22/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Wailuku, HI (Baldwin)
44	TUPOU, Christian	DT	6-2	280	5/7/89	So./So.	1V	Sacramento (Grant)
44	WOIDNECK, Greg	P	6-0	200	6/9/86	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Brea (Brea Olinda/Arizona State/Mt. San Antonio JC)
45	GOODMAN, Adam	FB	6-1	240	6/30/87	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Huntington Beach (Edison/Saddleback CC)
45	CRITTENDEN, Omari	CB	6-0	180	4/11/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Modesto (Johansen/Modesto JC)
46	CALCAGNIE, Sean	WR	6-0	190	4/6/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Coto de Caza (Tesoro)
46	CUMMING, Ross	LB	6-1	220	9/28/87	Fr./Fr.	—	Laguna Niguel (Santa Margarita/Naval Academy Prep)
47	MATTHEWS, Clay	LB-DE	6-3	240	5/14/86	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Agoura Hills (Agoura)
47	STEPHENS, Scott	WR	6-1	180	2/5/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Pasadena (St. Francis)
48	JORDAN, Matthew	CB	5-8	185	4/23/87	Jr.*/Sr.	SQ	Los Angeles (Campbell Hall)
49	BOYER, Robbie	WR	6-0	175	11/2/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Newport Beach (Mater Dei)
49	McMAHON, Ryan	S	6-0	200	10/15/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Diamond Bar (Damien)
50	MARKOWITZ, Abe	C	6-2	280	9/26/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Hawaii Kai, HI (Punahou)
52	BROWN, Luthur	LB	6-2	235	4/7/87	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Lakewood (Lakewood)
53	BYERS, Jeff	OG-C	6-4	285	9/7/85	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Fort Collins, CO (Loveland)
54	GALIPPO, Chris	LB	6-2	255	4/12/89	Fr.*/So.	1V	Corona (Servite)
56	PARSONS, Alex	OT-C-OG	6-4	300	9/14/87	Jr./Jr.	2V	Irvine (Woodbridge)
57	GARRATT, Nick	LB	6-1	235	6/16/86	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	South Lake Tahoe (South Tahoe)
58	MAUALUGA, Rey	LB	6-2	260	1/20/87	Sr./Sr.	3V	Eureka (Eureka)
59	DECKAS, Dan	LB	5-10	210	12/17/87	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Edina, MN (Edina)
61	O'DOWD, Kristofer	C	6-5	300	5/14/88	So./So.	1V	Tucson, AZ (Salpointe Catholic)
62	POUSSON, Chris	SNP	6-4	240	7/21/89	Fr./Fr.	—	San Diego (St. Augustine)
63	PUTNAM, Christian	SNP	5-10	200	12/26/85	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	South Pasadena (South Pasadena/Pasadena CC)
64	NOLAN, Garrett	C-OG	6-4	280	7/26/87	Jr.*/Sr.	JC	Northridge (Chaminade/Holy Cross/Moorpark JC)
65	SIMMONS, Derek	OG	6-4	285	2/16/88	So.*/Jr.	1V	Suisun (Armijo)
66	MEYER, Matt	OG	6-7	295	12/19/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Stockton (Lincoln)
67	REARDON, Michael	OT-C	6-5	275	12/23/88	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Anaheim (Orange Lutheran)

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68	LEWIS, Butch	OT	6-5	300	12/1/87	So.*/Jr.	1V	Denver, CO (Regis Jesuit)
70	SMITH, Tyron	OT	6-6	270	12/12/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Moreno Valley (Rancho Verde)
71	BROWN, Charles	OT	6-6	295	4/10/87	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Chino Hills (Diamond Ranch)
72	COLEMAN, Martin	OG-OT	6-5	315	7/2/87	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Huntington Beach (Edison)
73	GATENA, Steve	C-OT	6-5	290	12/15/85	Jr.*/Sr.	TR	Westlake Village (Westlake/Air Force/UC Davis)
74	HEBERER, Zack	OG	6-5	300	6/9/88	So.*/Jr.	1V	San Pedro (San Pedro)
75	MOALA, Fili	DT	6-5	295	6/23/85	Sr.*/Sr.	3V	Buena Park (Western)
75	KALIL, Matt	OT	6-6	290	7/6/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Corona (Servite)
76	HOWELL, Nick	OT	6-5	280	10/10/86	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Fresno (Bullard)
77	HERRING, Thomas	OG	6-6	330	3/22/85	Jr.*/Sr.	1V	Los Angeles (Fremont)
78	HOLMES, Khaled	OG	6-4	305	1/19/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Santa Ana (Mater Dei)
79	WEISS, Andrew	DE	6-9	230	4/11/86	Sr.*/Sr.	SQ	San Marino (San Marino/Pasadena CC/UC San Diego)
80	CARSWELL, Brandon	WR	6-1	185	5/22/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Milpitas (Milpitas)
81	WASHINGTON, Gerald	DE	6-6	255	4/23/82	Sr.*/Sr.	1V	Vallejo (Vallejo/Chaffey JC)
81	VIGOREN, Spencer	WR	6-4	220	3/14/87	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Dana Point (Dana Hills)
82	SYLVESTER, Duron	WR	6-3	210	3/31/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	Los Angeles (Westchester)
83	BUTLER, Brice	WR	6-3	215	1/29/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Norcross, GA (Norcross)
84	MOORE, Kyle	DE	6-6	270	10/25/86	Sr./Sr.	3V	Kathleen, GA (Houston County)
85	STEPHENSON, Cooper	SNP-TE	6-3	215	6/2/88	So.*/Jr.	SQ	San Diego (Torrey Pines)
86	McCOY, Anthony	TE	6-5	255	12/28/87	Jr./Jr.	2V	Fresno (Bullard)
87	CAVIGNAC, Preston	WR	6-0	185	4/4/88	So.*/Jr.	—	San Diego (Francis Parker)
88	MILLER, Jimmy	TE	6-5	250	3/4/86	Sr.*/Sr.	2V	Thousand Oaks (Westlake)
89	AYLES, Blake	TE	6-5	255	10/1/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Orange (Orange Lutheran)
91	CASEY, Jurrell	DT	6-1	280	12/5/89	Fr./Fr.	—	Long Beach (Poly)
92	HENDERSON, Trey	DE-DT	6-3	280	10/10/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Vancouver, British Columbia (Vancouver College)
93	GRIFFEN, Everson	DE	6-3	265	12/22/87	So./So.	1V	Avondale, AZ (Agua Fria)
94	ARMSTEAD, Armond	DT	6-5	290	8/3/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Sacramento (Pleasant Grove)
96	HORTON, Wes	DE	6-5	245	1/18/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Chatsworth (Notre Dame)
97	JACKSON, Malik	DE	6-5	230	1/11/90	Fr./Fr.	—	Northridge (Birmingham)
98	HARRIS, DaJohn	DT	6-4	285	1/24/89	Fr.*/So.	SQ	Inglewood (Serra)
99	SPICER, Averell	DT	6-2	295	4/26/87	Jr.*/Sr.	2V	Rancho Cucamonga (Rancho Cucamonga)

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