

USC vs. Colorado Game Notes
Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum
Oct. 13, 2018

- USC improved to 13-0 all-time against Colorado and has scored 30 or more points in eight of those games.
- USC extended its home win streak to 19, currently the second-longest home winning streak in the nation.
- Fr. QB **JT Daniels** finished with 272 yards passing tonight. He was 17-for-34.
- Daniels' 255 first-half passing yards were the most in the first half at USC since Sam Darnold threw for 263 yards against Penn State in the 2017 Rose Bowl. It was also more yards than in three of Daniels' first five starts and the most allowed by Colorado in an entire game so far this season.
- Daniels' 28-yard, 65-yard and 9-yard TD passes in the second quarter give him seven this year, the 65-yard pass a season-high, this game marking his second multi-TD pass game this year.
- Jr. WR **Michael Pittman Jr.** had career high with 2 TD catches and finished with 144 receiving yards, 2 off his career best of 146 vs. Stanford in the 2017 Pac-12 Championship game. Tonight he had a career-long 65-yard TD reception in the 2nd quarter and a 9-yard TD catch on the next drive.
- Pittman Jr. now has a team-high 3 TD catches this year.
- So. WR **Tyler Vaughns** 28-yard TD catch was his 2nd this year. He finished with 5 catches for a season-best 86 yards.
- Fr. ILB **Palaie Gaoteote**, in his second career start, recorded his first career TFL on USC's second defensive series. He finished with nine tackles and 2 TFLs before leaving the game in the third quarter.
- Sr. DB **Ajene Harris** recorded his third career interception returned for a TD, which ties a school record shared with Charles Phillips (1972-74) and Nickell Robey (2010-2012).
- So. DL **Liam Jimmons** recorded his first career sack in the 2nd quarter.
- Harris also had 2 TFL in the 1st quarter, matching his career high in a game (2016, Notre Dame).
- SR. OLB **Porter Gustin** recorded his team best 6.5 sack in USC's first defensive series. He added a half sack in the 3rd quarter to give him 7 this year.
- Jr. ILB **Jordan Iosefa** recorded his first sack and TFL of the season in the 4th quarter.
- Sr. ILB **Cameron Smith** missed his first game tonight (hamstring) since missing the final four games of his 2015 freshman season (knee)
- USC entered the game with 27 TFLs and had 9 in the first half and finished with 16 overall. That is the most tackles for a loss in a game by the Trojans since also having 16 vs. San Jose State in 2009. The last time USC had more tackles for a loss in a game was when it had 19 vs. California in 1997.
- CU's 111 first-half yards was an opponent low for USC.
- Colorado was shut out in the first quarter for the first time this season, its seven first-half points were a season low and its 20 total points were a season low.
- USC has held 4 of its 6 opponents to 21 points or less.
- Colorado was held to 265 yards tonight. The Buffaloes entered tonight averaging 490.6 yards of total offense per game, 18th nationally.
- The 265 total yards were the fewest by a USC opponent since holding Utah State to 253 the second game of the 2016 season.
- The 31 points scored by USC are a Colorado opponent high this season. Colorado entered tonight's action allowing 18.4 points per game, 21st nationally.
- Fr. TB **Markese Stepp** had his first two career rushing attempts which totaled 10 yards.
- USC had 13 penalties for 123 yards. In its last two games, USC has had 31 penalties for a total of 292 yards.