



## MISCELLANEOUS STATISTICS

FINAL SCORE.....	17	55
Time Spent in the Lead ( <i>Tied 7:42</i> ).....	6:15	46:03
Total Plays-Yards .....	56-259	74-531
Plus Territory: Plays-Yards .....	20-103	36-245
Drives With Plays in Plus Territory ....	4 of 12	8 of 11
First Down Plays/Yards .....	26/182	36/219
Average on First Down .....	7.0	6.1
First Half .....	5.5 (12-66)	4.9 (16-79)
Second Half .....	8.3 (14-116)	7.0 (20-140)
Rushes/Average.....	15/7.2	25/5.8
Passes/Average ( <i>includes sacks</i> ) .....	11/6.8	11/6.0
Times Gained: 20+/10+/5+ .....	3/6/12	1/8/22
Times Gained: 2-/0/Neg .....	9/3/2	12/6/2
Second Down Efficiency .....	3-16	10-25
First Half .....	3-10	3-13
Second Half .....	0-6	7-12
Yards Gained .....	42	200
Third Down Efficiency .....	3-12	9-12
Rushing .....	2-5	6-6
Passing .....	1-7	3-6
Average Yards To Go (All) .....	5.8	7.8
Average Yards To Go (Conversions) .....	3.0	7.9
Yards Gained .....	18	116
3rd & 5 or less .....	3-6	4-6
3rd & 6 or more .....	0-5	5-6
Fourth Down Efficiency (Yards) .....	2-2 (7)	0-1 (-4)
Total Possessions/Average FP.....	12/C27	12/SC34
First Half .....	7/C22	7/SC37
Second Half .....	5/C32	5/SC29
Drives Started Inside/At Own 20 .....	3 (3/0)	2 (2/0)
Drives Started In Plus Territory .....	0 (0 pts)	1 (7 pts)
Three Plays & Out .....	6	2
Opponent Turnovers (Pts).....	1 (0)	2 (14)
Scores-Times Penetrated The 20 (pts)..	3-3 (17)	5-5 (31)
Plays-Yards.....	11-41	10-55
Third Down Efficiency .....	1-3	1-1
Fourth Down Efficiency .....	1-1	0-0
Yards by Quarter: 1st .....	68	8
2nd .....	32	201
3rd .....	55	174
4th .....	104	148

## QUICKLY

► **Records.** USC now leads the series a **16-0** count (8-0 in Los Angeles; 11-0 since CU joined the Pac-12 in 2011) ... CU is **19-28** all-time in Friday games (**7-14** road) and now **4-28-1** all-time in the state of California ... CU's 10 opponents this season are now **61-30** heading into Saturday ... CU is now **3-7** under interim head coaches (**1-4** under Mike Sanford).

► **Solid Start.** USC went 3-and-out on its first possession, just the third time this year CU didn't allow a first down on the opponents first drive (TCU, Oregon State); CU had just 15 three-and-outs coming in.

► **This-N-That.** Two "new" NFL teams scouted a CU game tonight (Houston, New England), bringing the total to **24** that have seen CU games in person in 2022 ... The 55 points by USC were the most against CU in a regular season game since a 56-28 setback at USC in 2014; Oregon was the last to score 50 (52-29 in Eugene last year); and Texas scored 55 in the 2020 Alamo Bowl (55-23) ... Three Buffaloes celebrated birthdays today: **S Austin Dahlke** (20) and **ILB Eoghan Kerry** (19) were on the trip; **CB Keyshon Mills** (19) did not travel.

► **2's Were Wild.** CB **Nikko Reed** picked off his second career interception (first was against Washington last year); it was just the second INT by USC QB Caleb Williams, and he swiped it from former teammate Brenden Rice (who wears No. 2).

► **Last Safety.** The first quarter safety by USC was the first against the Buffs since Oct. 22, 2016, when Sefo Liufau ran out of the back of the end zone with 0:04 to play in CU's 10-5 win at Stanford.

► **First Quarter Defense.** In the first nine games, opponents racked up 1,156 yards in the first quarter (or 128.4 per); the Trojans managed just 8 in the quarter (TCU had the previous low of 27).

► **First Downs.** Colorado out-averaged USC on first down, 7.0 to 6.1 (Statbroadcast gets it wrong whenever there is a quarterback sack on the down). It was a season high for CU and the third time the Buffs out-averaged the opponent (previously vs. Cal and Arizona State).

► **Sacks.** After not recording a quarterback sack in the last two games the Buffs had a season-high three (for 21 yards) tonight; USC had allowed just 16 coming into the game.

► **3:55.** That was the game time, the fifth-longest in CU history and the second-longest for a regulation game (topped by 3:56 versus Nebraska in 2007, a 65-51 Colorado win).

► **Global Warming?** The temperature at kickoff was **60** degrees; the average for CU's 10 games dropped to **64.6** with only two games warmer than 80 degree at kickoff.

## INDIVIDUAL LINER NOTES

### TB Alex Fontenot (20-108, 5.4 avg., 1 TD, 6 FDE)

► It was his fourth 100-yard game of his career, his first since gaining 105 yards against Washington in 2019. Career high was 125 versus Colorado state in '19 season opener.

► He had the long run of his career (37 yards); former long rush was a 32-yard TD run against Colorado State on Aug. 30, 2019.

► He converted twice on fourth downs; in his career, he is now **17-of-21** earning a first down one 3rd or 4th-and-1.

► He moved from 34th into 31st on CU's all-time rushing yards list (1,476 yards).

### PK Cole Becker (1-1 FG, 2-2 PAT, 5 Points)

► He moved into a tie for sixth for all-time field goals made at Colorado with 25 (of 33 tries).

### WR Jack Hestera (3-39, 13.0 avg., 0 TD receiving)

► He is the first player who as a walk-on to lead the Buffs in receiving yards in a game since **WR Scotty McKnight** did it the first for games on the 2007 season (McKnight would be placed on scholarship after that season; due to a recruiting issue, he had walk-on status that season). Otherwise, you have to go back to Sept. 15, 1979, when sophomore **RB Willie Beebe** caught four passes for 47 yards against LSU in Boulder.

### QB J.T. Shrout (21-11-1, 124 yards, 0 TD; 92.5 rating)

► He became the 36th player in CU history to throw for 1,000 yards in a career, ending the game with exactly 1,100 yards and 34th on the list. It is the 54th 1,000-yard season in school annals.

► He also scored his first career touchdown.

