



NCAA & Conference Team Statistical Leaders



Where Colorado and its players have ranked in major NCAA statistical categories (top 20 only) and conference stat champions.

NOTE: NCAA rankings prior to 2002 did not include bowl games.

Top 20 Team National Rankings

Total Offense

1937	1 (375.0)
1951	18 (357.5)
1954	13 (363.0)
1957	2 (415.2)
1970	10 (422.9)
1971	9 (412.5)
1975	11 (406.5)
1989	6 (472.8)
1990	14 (431.3)
1993	10 (440.4)
1994	3 (495.3)
1995	6 (486.6)
1996	15 (452.1)
1999	14 (424.9)
2001	20 (434.4)

Passing Offense

1959	18 (135.5)
1984	16 (233.7)
1992	6 (297.4)
1995	8 (297.2)
1996	10 (303.5)
1999	18 (273.3)
2003	18 (279.3)
2014	19 (284.6)
2023	16 (294.7)

Rushing Offense

1937	1 (310.1)
1951	15 (251.6)
1954	3 (316.0)
1956	12 (252.1)
1957	1 (322.4)
1958	5 (249.5)
1966	10 (222.4)
1970	4 (299.8)
1971	11 (281.3)
1985	9 (259.8)
1986	11 (251.4)
1987	4 (306.4)
1988	7 (281.4)
1989	2 (371.8)
1990	6 (271.2)
1991	19 (227.2)
1993	12 (240.0)
1994	3 (291.5)
2001	8 (228.5)
2002	8 (232.8)

Scoring Offense

1956	5 (26.7)
1957	10 (25.0)
1970	15 (30.6)
1971	13 (31.0)
1989	3 (41.1)
1990	15 (32.4)
1992	19 (28.9)
1994	7 (36.2)
1995	8 (36.9)

Fumbles (fewest)

2014	10 (12)
2019	17 (11)

Fumbles Lost (fewest)

2011	20 (8)
2014	20 (6)
2017	12 (5)
2019	3 (3)

Total Defense

1958	11 (204.5)
1961	16 (208.4)
1965	19 (231.3)
1985	17 (296.9)
1986	11 (282.4)
1989	18 (300.0)
1992	9 (278.0)
1998	13 (296.0)
2016	19 (342.5)

Rushing Defense

1957	16 (136.7)
1989	20 (115.5)
1990	19 (114.2)
1994	15 (114.2)
2005	11 (100.2)

Passing Defense

1958	5 (59.0)
1960	6 (55.7)
1961	13 (70.9)
1979	9 (97.4)
1984	9 (138.1)
1985	11 (143.5)
1986	18 (151.7)
1991	19 (171.5)
1992	3 (132.8)
2016	20 (193.6)

Pass Eff. Defense

1991	19 (102.5)
1992	3 (84.9)
1998	4 (91.9)
2016	5 (104.3)

Fumbles Lost (fewest)

2017	12 (5)
2019	3 (3)
2021	10 (4)

Interceptions (fewest)

1994	6 (4)
2021	1 (3)

Turnovers (fewest)

2019	20 (14)
2021	1 (7)

Scoring Defense

1961	12 (7.9)
1967	7 (9.2)
1985	15 (14.0)
1986	17 (15.6)
1987	18 (16.4)
1988	18 (16.0)
1989	6 (13.6)
1991	11 (13.6)
2016	20 (21.7)

Punting

1941	8 (40.0)
1950	1 (45.1)
1952	1 (43.3)
1954	8 (38.2)
1955	4 (39.0)
1956	2 (41.7)
1957	11 (38.3)
1985	1 (43.6)
1986	2 (42.3)
1987	3 (40.2)
1988	2 (40.2)
1989	1 (43.8)
1991	6 (38.6)
1992	2 (41.7)
2001	16 (38.4)
2002	2 (41.6)
2004	1 (42.7)
2005	4 (39.1)

Punt Returns

1953	2 (17.2)
1958	14 (12.7)
1961	4 (14.9)
1989	2 (16.0)
1990	4 (14.9)
1991	18 (11.4)
1992	16 (11.6)
1998	3 (16.0)
2000	2 (17.8)
2001	1 (17.4)
2020	11 (14.4)
2021	9 (14.2)
2022	8 (16.1)

Kickoff Returns

1952	12 (21.5)
1954	12 (21.6)
1956	6 (22.7)
1961	7 (22.7)
1964	5 (23.6)
1976	3 (22.6)
1978	6 (24.0)
1980	15 (23.2)
1981	13 (22.3)
1987	8 (21.7)
1989	1 (26.1)
1997	2 (26.6)
1998	4 (25.0)
2002	18 (22.9)
2014	18 (23.7)
2021	5 (28.7)

Turnover Margin

1989	12 (+1.09)
1993	4 (+1.18)
2006	17 (+0.67)
2023	12 (+.75)

Red Zone Offense

2023	2 (97.4)
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Conference Team Stat Champions

RUSHING OFFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1937	8	2481	310.1
1954	10	3150	315.0
1957	10	3224	322.4
1970	10	2998	299.8

RUSHING DEFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1990	12	1370	114.2

PASSING OFFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1957	10	928	92.8
1959	10	1355	135.5
1960	10	841	84.1
1961	10	1182	118.2
1962	10	1160	116.0
1984	11	2571	233.7
1992	11	3271	297.4
1995	11	3269	297.2
1996	11	3338	303.5
1997	11	2556	232.4

PASSING DEFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1948	9	714	79.3
1979	11	1071	97.4
1992	11	1461	84.9
1998	11	1633	91.9
2008	12	2584	215.3

PASS EFFICIENCY DEFENSE

Year	G	Rating
2016	14	104.3

TOTAL OFFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1937	8	3000	375.0
1957	10	4152	415.2
1961	10	3101	310.1
1970	10	4229	422.9
1975	11	4471	406.5
1993	11	5175	470.5
1994	11	5448	495.3

TOTAL DEFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1958	10	2045	204.5
1992	11	3058	278.0

SCORING OFFENSE

Has not occurred.

SCORING DEFENSE

Year	G	Yds.	Avg.
1989	11	150	13.6

PUNT RETURNS

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.
1953	27	464	17.2
1965	31	507	16.4
1989	29	464	16.0
1990	40	595	14.9
2000	16	285	17.8
2001	30	522	17.4
2022	11	177	16.1

KICKOFF RETURNS

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.
1976	33	746	22.6
1989	21	548	26.1
1997	36	958	26.6
1998	29	726	25.0

PUNTING

Year	No.	Yds.	Avg.
1950	54	2454	45.4
1952	63	2789	44.3
1954	41	1645	40.1
1955	57	2314	40.6
1956	57	2434	42.7
1957	42	1609	38.3
1985	52	2390	43.6
1986	57	2599	42.3
1987	44	1770	40.2
1988	55	2206	40.1
1989	36	1575	43.8
1990	55	2045	37.2
1991	59	2364	38.6
2002	72	2995	41.6
2004	72	3075	42.7



NCAA Individual Stat Leaders



Top Individual Rankings

Rushing

1934	Kayo Lam	1	(906)
1935	Kayo Lam	1	(1043)
1937	Byron White	1	(1121)
1954	John Bayuk	8	(824)
1957	Bob Stransky	2	(1097)
1969	Bobby Anderson	18	(967)
1971	Charlie Davis	7	(1386)
1976	Tony Reed	13	(1210)
1977	James Mayberry	12	(1299)
1988	Eric Bieniemy	6	(124.3)
1989	J.J. Flannigan	20	(107.9)
1990	Eric Bieniemy	2	(148.0)
1994	Rashaan Salaam	1	(186.8)
2002	Chris Brown	3	(153.4)
2010	Rodney Stewart	12	(109.8)
2017	Phillip Lindsay	11	(122.8)
2020	Jarek Broussard	3	(149.2)

Passing

1959	Gale Weidner	9	(1200)
1961	Gale Weidner	13	(1101)
1992	Kordell Stewart	5	(138.8)
1994	Kordell Stewart	11	(146.8)
1995	John Hessler	14	(143.4)
1996	Koy Detmer	15	(143.7)
1999	Mike Moschetti	13	(140.7)
2001	Bobby Pesavento	13	(149.0)
2023	Shedeur Sanders	10	(293.6)

Receiving (yards)

1957	Boyd Dowler	12	(25/376)
1962	John McGuire	14	(36/376)
1962	Ken Blair	15	(35/356)
1984	Jon Embree	19	(51/680)
1992	Charles Johnson	7	(104.5)
1992	Mike Westbrook	10	(96.4)
1993	Charles Johnson	6	(98.4)
1995	Rae Carruth	18	(91.6)
1996	Rae Carruth	14	(101.5)
2013	Paul Richardson	8	(111.9)
2014	Nelson Spruce	13	(99.8)
2018	Laviska Shenault	4	(112.3)

Receptions Per Game

2018	Laviska Shenault	1	(9.6)
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Total Offense

1937	Byron White	1	(1596)
1957	Bob Stransky	4	(1387)
1959	Gale Weidner	9	(1305)
1968	Bobby Anderson	12	(2128)
1975	David Williams	15	(1854)
1992	Kordell Stewart	19	(232.3)
1993	Kordell Stewart	18	(256.6)
1994	Kordell Stewart	10	(246.4)
1996	Koy Detmer	9	(286.4)
1999	Mike Moschetti	14	(281.8)
2023	Shedeur Sanders	18	286.6

All-Purpose Runners

1937	Byron White	1	(1970)
1990	Eric Bieniemy	4	(165.3)
1994	Rashaan Salaam	1	(213.6)
2008	Josh Smith	9	(165.6)
2011	Rodney Stewart	14	(153.3)
2017	Phillip Lindsay	11	(144.3)

Scoring

1937	Byron White	1	(122)
1950	Merwin Hodel	8	(90)
1954	Carroll Hardy	8	(68)
1954	John Bayuk	10	(66)
1956	John Bayuk	7	(66)
1957	Bob Stransky	8	(77)
1958	Howard Cook	11	(62)
1969	Bobby Anderson	4	(114)
1976	Jim Kelleher	13	(90)
1989	J.J. Flannigan	11	(9.8)
1989	Darian Hagan	14	(9.3)
1990	Eric Bieniemy	7	(9.3)
1994	Rashaan Salaam	1	(13.1)
2001	Jeremy Flores	20	(8.6)
2002	Chris Brown	12	(9.5)

Kick Scoring

1958	Elwyn Indorf	15	(14)
1965	Frank Rogers	3	(55)
1970	Dave Haney	4	(70)
1972	Fred Lima	1	(80)
1989	Ken Culbertson	6	(8.9)
2001	Jeremy Flores	7	(8.6)

Punting

1948	Don Evans	12	(39.8)
1949	Bob Manire	8	(41.8)
1950	Zack Jordan	1	(48.2)
1952	Zack Jordan	2	(43.3)
1954	Carroll Hardy	5	(41.6)
1955	Homer Jenkins	7	(40.8)
1956	Boyd Dowler	4	(42.1)
1957	Boyd Dowler	13	(40.2)
1958	Boyd Dowler	4	(42.1)
1985	Barry Helton	2	(46.0)
1986	Barry Helton	4	(45.6)
1987	Barry Helton	7	(44.0)
1988	Keith English	1	(45.0)
1989	Tom Rouen	1	(45.9)
1992	Mitch Berger	2	(47.0)
2002	Mark Mariscal	2	(47.6)
2004	John Torp	2	(46.5)
2005	John Torp	5	(45.2)
2006	Matt DiLallo	16	(43.7)
2012	Darragh O'Neill	18	(43.5)
2014	Darragh O'Neill	16	(44.1)
2019	Alex Kinney	20	(44.4)
2021	Josh Watts	6	(47.8)

Field Goal Kicking

1965	Frank Rogers	2	(13)
1970	Dave Haney	3	(12)
1972	Fred Lima	1	(15)
1998	Jeremy Aldrich	16	(1.45)
1999	Jeremy Aldrich	19	(1.45)
2001	Jeremy Flores	8	(1.64)
2004	Mason Crosby	6	(1.77)
2005	Mason Crosby	11	(1.69)
2006	Mason Crosby	6	(1.58)
2017	James Stefanou	17	(1.55)

Interceptions

1967	Dick Anderson	6	(7)
1992	Deon Figures	8	(0.60)
1996	Steve Rosga	14	(0.45)
1999	Ben Kelly	20	(0.45)
2016	Tedric Thompson	5	(0.50)
2019	Mikial Onu	17	(0.36)

Kickoff Returns

1941	Vern Lockard	1	(24.4)
1952	Carroll Hardy	1	(32.2)
1962	Bill Symons	14	(25.8)
1962	Bill Harris	15	(25.7)
1970	Cliff Branch	9	(26.9)
1976	Billy Waddy	4	(25.7)
1978	Howard Ballage	1	(29.4)
1979	Mark Haynes	15	(23.9)
1981	Walter Stanley	15	(23.5)
1986	M.J. Nelson	15	(24.7)
1997	Ben Kelly	2	(31.1)
1999	Ben Kelly	5	(28.8)
2002	Roderick Sneed	13	(25.9)
2021	Brenden Rice	14	(27.6)

Quarterback Sacks

2006	Abraham Wright	2	(1.00)
2020	Carson Wells	6	(1.08)

Tackles

2006	Jordon Dizon	11	(10.1)
2007	Jordon Dizon	2	(12.5)
2020	Nate Landman	15	(10.6)

Tackle For Loss

2021	Carson Wells	1	(2.50)
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Passes Defended

2016	Tedric Thompson	1	(1.63)
2016	Ahkello Witherspoon	1	(1.63)
2017	Isaiah Oliver	7	(1.50)

Punt Returns

1957	Howard Cook	7	(13.3)
1958	Howard Cook	1	(10.1)
1965	Charlie Greer	3	(16.6)
1967	Charlie Greer	10	(14.6)
1971	Cliff Branch	6	(16.3)
1972	Steve Haggerty	9	(13.5)
1982	Jeff Donaldson	12	(11.8)
1988	Jo Jo Collins	20	(10.2)
1989	Jeff Campbell	8	(14.6)
1990	Dave McCloughan	1	(16.4)
1991	Darian Hagan	19	(11.5)
1992	Deon Figures	20	(11.4)
1993	Chris Hudson	13	(11.7)
2001	Roman Hollowell	1	(18.0)
2002	Jeremy Bloom	13	(15.0)
2020	Dimitri Stanley	20	(7.7)



Conference Individual Statistical Champions



RUSHING

Year	Player	G	Att.	Yds	Avg./Gm
1934	Kayo Lam	9	...	906	100.7
1935	Kayo Lam	9	140	1043	115.9
1937	Byron White	8	181	1121	140.1
1954	John Bayuk	10	145	824	82.4
1957	Bob Stransky	10	183	1097	109.7
1994	Rashaan Salaam	11	298	2055	186.8
2002	Chris Brown	12	303	1841	153.4
2020	Jarek Broussard	6	156	895	149.2

PASSING

Year	Player	G	Att.-Com-Int	Yds	Avg./Gm
1959	Gale Weidner	10	207-100-13	1200	120.0
1960	Gale Weidner	10	111- 45- 7	708	70.8
1961	Gale Weidner	10	162- 74-12	1101	110.1
1977	Jeff Knappe	10	180- 79-13	1203	120.3
1979	Bill Solomon	11	184- 91-13	1174	106.9
1992	Kordell Stewart	11	252-151- 9	2109	138.8
1996	Koy Detmer	11	363-208-12	3156	143.7
1999	Mike Moschetti	10	331-204-12	2693	140.7
2001	Bobby Pesavento	9	139- 85- 4	1234	149.0

TOTAL OFFENSE

Year	Player	G	Att.	Yds	Avg./Gm
1937	Byron White	8	224	1596	199.5
1954	Carroll Hardy	10	59	831	83.1
1968	Bobby Anderson	10	405	2129	212.9
1975	David Williams	11	300	1854	168.5
1993	Kordell Stewart	11	396	2823	256.6
1994	Kordell Stewart	11	359	2710	246.4
1996	Koy Detmer	11	399	3150	286.4
1997	John Hessler	11	413	2666	242.4

RECEIVING (Receptions)

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg./Gm
1992	Michael Westbrook	11	76	6.89
2014	Nelson Spruce	12	106	8.83
2018	Laviska Shenault	9	86	9.56

RECEIVING (Yards)

Year	Player	G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg./Gm
1953	Gary Knaflc	10	22	451	8	45.1
1957	Boyd Dowler	10	26	380	2	38.0
1960	Jerry Hillebrand	10	11	218	1	21.8
1962	John McGuire	10	36	376	2	37.6
1964	Bill Symons	10	27	267	0	26.7
1993	Charles Johnson	11	57	1082	9	98.4
1994	Michael Westbrook	9	36	689	4	76.6
1995	Rae Carruth	11	53	1008	9	91.6
1996	Rae Carruth	11	54	1116	8	101.5
2018	Laviska Shenault	9	86	1011	6	112.3

SCORING

Year	Player	G	TD	XP	FG	Pts	Avg./Gm
1957	Bob Stransky	10	12	5	0	77	7.7
1958	Howard Cook	10	9	5	1	62	6.2
1965	Frank Rogers	10	1	16	13	61	6.1
1966	Wilmer Cooks	10	10	0	0	60	6.0
1990	Eric Bieniemy	11	17	0	0	102	9.3
1994	Rashaan Salaam	11	24	0	0	144	13.0
2002	Chris Brown	11	19	0	0	114	9.5

FIELD GOALS

Year	Player	G	FG-FGA	Avg./Gm
1965	Frank Rogers	10	13-17	1.30
1970	Dave Haney	10	12-19	1.20
1972	Fred Lima	11	15-34	1.36
2001	Jeremy Flores	11	18-24	1.64
2004	Mason Crosby	13	23-29	1.77
2005	Mason Crosby	13	22-29	1.69
2006	Mason Crosby	12	19-28	1.58

KICKOFF RETURNS

Year	Player	G	No.	Yds	Avg.
1952	Carroll Hardy	10	12	386	32.2
1960	Teddy Woods	10	7	187	26.7
1976	Billy Waddy	11	22	566	25.7
1978	Howard Ballage	11	18	530	29.4
1979	Mark Haynes	11	17	407	23.9
1980	Walter Stanley	9	19	468	24.6
1997	Ben Kelly	11	25	777	31.1

PUNT RETURNS

Year	Player	G	No.	Yds	Avg.
1958	Howard Cook	10	24	242	10.1
1961	Leon Mavity	10	10	130	13.0
1970	Cliff Branch	10	13	228	17.5
1990	Dave McCloughan	12	32	524	16.4
2001	Roman Hollowell	12	29	522	18.0

PUNTING

Year	Player	G	No.	Yds	Avg.
1948	Don Evans	10	51	2098	41.1
1949	Bob Manire	10	35	1463	41.8
1950	Zack Jordan	10	38	1830	48.2
1952	Zack Jordan	10	56	2532	45.2
1953	Carroll Hardy	10	17	732	43.1
1956	Boyd Dowler	10	41	1788	43.6
1958	Howard Cook	10	18	892	49.5
1978	Steve Doolittle	11	41	1737	42.4
1985	Barry Helton	11	52	2390	46.0
1986	Barry Helton	11	57	2599	45.6
1987	Barry Helton	11	40	1758	44.0
1988	Keith English	11	51	2297	45.0
1989	Tom Rouen	11	36	1651	45.9
1992	Mitch Berger	11	53	2493	47.0
2001	Mark Mariscal	11	37	1647	44.5
2002	Mark Mariscal	14	67	2941	47.6
2004	John Torp	13	72	3351	46.5

INTERCEPTIONS

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
1967	Dick Anderson	10	7	0.70
1981	Clyde Riggins	11	5	0.45
1996	Steve Rosga	11	5	0.45
2016	Tedric Thompson	14	7	0.50

TACKLES

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
2007	Jordon Dizon	13	162	12.5

QUARTERBACK SACKS

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
2006	Abraham Wright	12	12	1.00
2018	Mustafa Johnson	12	8 ½	0.71

FORCED FUMBLES

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
2023	Shilo Sanders	11	4	.36

COMPLETIONS PER GAME

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
2023	Shedeur Sanders	11	298	27.09

SOLO TACKLES

Year	Player	G	No.	Avg.
2023	Shilo Sanders	11	55	5.0