

CFB DEFENSIVE STATISTICS – 2026 SEASON
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 games thru Sat, Sep 26, 2026 (Weeks 1-5)

TOTAL DEFENSE (FBS, Top 50 by YPG allowed)

Rk	Team	Conf	G	YPG	PPG	RushD	PassD	T0/G	ATS
1	Kansas State	Big 12	3	182.7	10.0	#27	#1	0.7	2-1
2	Notre Dame	Ind	4	199.2	8.2	#6	#11	2.2	3-1
3	Penn State	Big Ten	3	201.0	7.3	#42	#2	1.7	2-1
4	Miami (FL)	ACC	4	224.5	9.0	#1	#45	1.0	3-1
5	Iowa State	Big 12	3	226.3	11.0	#17	#10	1.7	2-1
6	LSU	SEC	4	227.0	15.5	#2	#39	1.8	2-2
7	Georgia	SEC	4	232.5	13.2	#3	#43	2.2	4-0
8	Nebraska	Big Ten	4	233.5	12.0	#23	#9	1.5	3-0
9	Indiana	Big Ten	4	233.8	9.8	#11	#30	0.8	0-4
10	Michigan	Big Ten	4	236.2	14.8	#21	#12	0.8	2-2
11	Oklahoma	SEC	4	238.0	16.0	#50	#5	1.0	1-3
12	Utah	Big 12	3	239.3	8.0	#12	#24	1.7	3-0
13	Iowa	Big Ten	4	239.8	8.0	#22	#14	1.2	3-1
14	Florida Internationa	CUSA	4	244.2	14.5	#14	#25	1.0	2-2
15	Pitt	ACC	4	244.5	8.5	#5	#55	0.8	3-1
16	New Mexico	MWC	4	252.0	11.5	#18	#31	3.5	4-0
17	North Dakota State	MWC	4	254.8	12.2	#31	#17	2.5	2-2
18	South Carolina	SEC	3	258.3	16.7	#19	#35	0.7	1-2
19	Syracuse	ACC	3	258.7	17.0	#67	#8	1.3	1-2
20	Duke	ACC	4	261.8	11.0	#8	#64	0.8	4-0
21	Texas Christian	Big 12	4	264.8	12.5	#20	#38	1.5	2-2
22	Oklahoma State	Big 12	3	267.3	18.3	#30	#29	1.0	2-1
23	Virginia Tech	ACC	4	269.2	16.0	#16	#47	1.0	3-1
24	Massachusetts	MAC	3	270.0	15.0	#9	#70	2.7	2-1
25	Minnesota	Big Ten	3	270.0	17.3	#52	#16	1.0	2-1
26	BYU	Big 12	3	271.0	15.7	#13	#61	2.0	3-0
27	Texas	SEC	4	271.0	13.2	#29	#34	1.2	1-3
28	Ohio State	Big Ten	4	274.2	12.2	#46	#20	1.5	3-1
29	Virginia	ACC	3	276.0	16.3	#71	#13	1.7	2-1
30	Washington	Big Ten	3	276.0	13.3	#38	#33	2.3	0-3
31	Alabama	SEC	3	280.7	21.0	#4	#94	2.3	2-1
32	Kansas	Big 12	3	281.0	22.7	#49	#27	0.7	1-2
33	Tennessee	SEC	4	282.2	15.5	#57	#23	1.2	2-2
34	Middle Tennessee Sta	CUSA	3	284.0	20.7	#54	#28	1.7	3-0
35	Liberty	CUSA	4	284.0	18.8	#75	#15	1.5	2-2
36	Arizona State	Big 12	3	285.7	24.0	#68	#21	1.3	2-1
37	Wisconsin	Big Ten	3	289.3	20.0	#40	#40	1.0	1-2
38	Sam Houston	CUSA	3	290.7	15.7	#115	#3	1.0	3-0
39	Air Force	MWC	3	297.3	23.7	#72	#32	1.0	1-2
40	Georgia Southern	Sun Belt	4	301.8	23.8	#53	#44	1.2	3-1
41	Louisiana	Sun Belt	3	302.0	23.3	#48	#48	2.0	2-0
42	Old Dominion	Sun Belt	3	304.0	24.7	#73	#37	2.0	0-3
43	Baylor	Big 12	4	306.0	13.0	#28	#74	1.8	3-1
44	Maryland	Big Ten	4	307.0	25.8	#55	#49	1.5	2-2
45	Arizona	Big 12	4	308.5	19.0	#15	#95	0.8	0-4
46	James Madison	Sun Belt	3	308.7	9.7	#64	#46	1.3	3-0
47	Troy	Sun Belt	4	309.2	21.5	#51	#59	1.0	1-3
48	North Carolina	ACC	3	312.3	13.7	#65	#51	1.7	1-2
49	Michigan State	Big Ten	4	314.0	21.2	#66	#52	0.5	2-1
50	Toledo	MAC	4	314.2	26.0	#80	#42	1.0	2-1

RUSH DEFENSE LEADERS (Top 10, fewest rush YPG allowed)

1	Miami (FL)	39.5	rush YPG allowed
2	LSU	47.8	rush YPG allowed
3	Georgia	50.5	rush YPG allowed

4	Alabama	53.0	rush	YPG	allowed
5	Pitt	53.2	rush	YPG	allowed
6	Notre Dame	53.8	rush	YPG	allowed
7	Houston	63.5	rush	YPG	allowed
8	Duke	63.8	rush	YPG	allowed
9	Massachusetts	65.7	rush	YPG	allowed
10	Navy	65.7	rush	YPG	allowed

PASS DEFENSE LEADERS (Top 10, fewest pass YPG allowed)

1	Kansas State	86.7	pass	YPG	allowed
2	Penn State	90.0	pass	YPG	allowed
3	Sam Houston	110.0	pass	YPG	allowed
4	UAB	113.0	pass	YPG	allowed
5	Oklahoma	122.5	pass	YPG	allowed
6	Georgia Tech	124.7	pass	YPG	allowed
7	Jacksonville State	134.5	pass	YPG	allowed
8	Syracuse	134.7	pass	YPG	allowed
9	Nebraska	143.0	pass	YPG	allowed
10	Iowa State	143.0	pass	YPG	allowed

TURNOVERS FORCED (Top 10 per game)

1	New Mexico	3.5	T0/game	forced
2	Colorado State	3.3	T0/game	forced
3	UCLA	3.0	T0/game	forced
4	Massachusetts	2.7	T0/game	forced
5	North Dakota State	2.5	T0/game	forced
6	Louisiana Tech	2.3	T0/game	forced
7	Alabama	2.3	T0/game	forced
8	Fresno State	2.3	T0/game	forced
9	Arkansas State	2.3	T0/game	forced
10	Washington	2.3	T0/game	forced

BETTING EDGE – DEFENSE (season-to-date)

- Elite defenses (Top 25 total D) ATS: 58-32 (64.4%)
 - Top-10 total defenses O/U: 200-17U (45.9% UNDER)
- (Note: sacks/TFL granular splits not surfaced in this build – marked --)

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