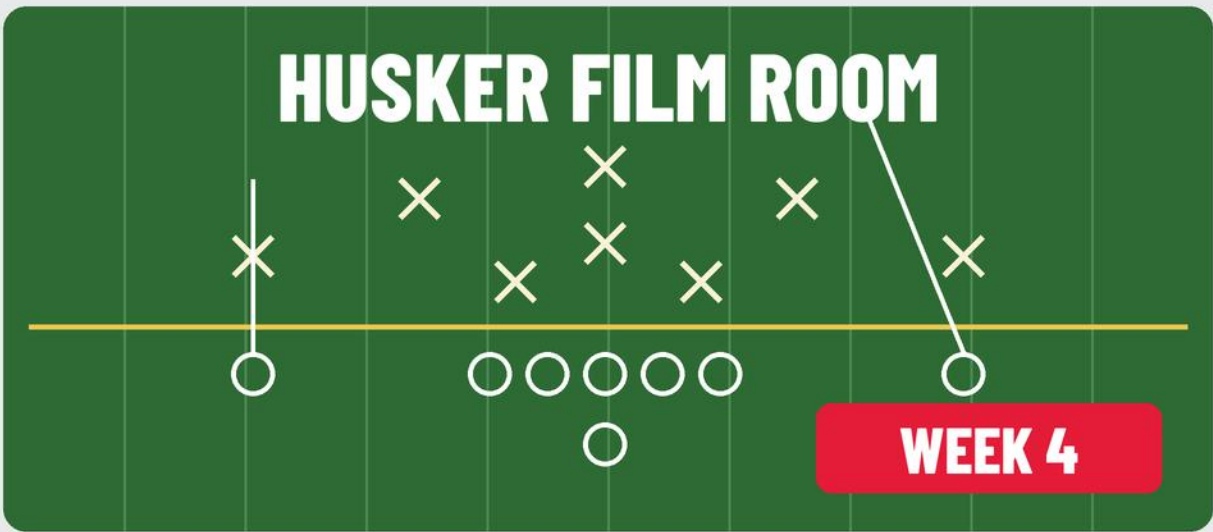


MICHIGAN STATE OFFENSE: HUSKER FILM ROOM REPORT

SAT, SEP 26, 2026 · SPARTAN STADIUM, EAST LANSING



NEBRASKA

FIELD ZONES · DOWN & DISTANCE · TENDENCIES · TAP-A-PLAY

MICHIGAN STATE

MICHIGAN STATE OFFENSE · 2026 PRE-NEBRASKA GAMES: TOLEDO, EASTERN MICHIGAN, NOTRE DAME · OFFICIAL PLAY-BY-PLAY

199

PLAYS

OFFICIAL PBP

55%

RUN RATE

111 RUN / 88 PASS

4.7

YDS / RUN

RUSHES

5.9

YDS / DROPBACK

INCL. SACKS

51%

SUCCESS

40/60/100 RULE

18

EXPLOSIVES

RUN 10+ / PASS 20+

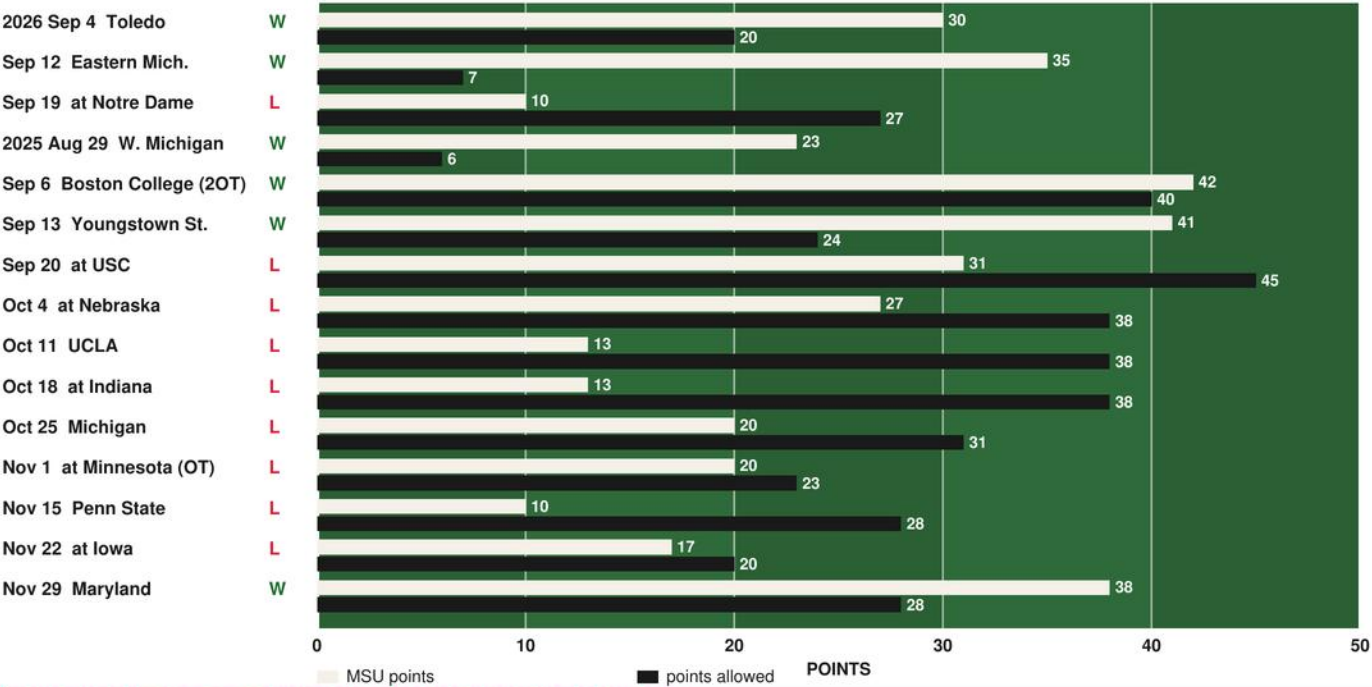
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WEEK 4 OPPONENT OFFENSE · FAN EDITION

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MICHIGAN STATE: POINTS FOR / AGAINST BY GAME (2026: 3 GAMES, 2-1 · 2025: 12 GAMES, 4-8) [1][4]



MSU TENDENCIES · 2026 (3 GAMES) AND 2025 (12 GAMES) [1][4]

SPLIT	MICHIGAN STATE	WHAT IT SAYS
Run / pass attempts	2026: 121 / 78 (61% run)	2025: 390 / 378 (51% run); the new staff leans on the run
Yards per carry / per pass	2026: 3.7 / 7.5	2025: 3.8 / 7.1 per attempt; the run is not efficient (Edwards 4.8)
Rush TD / pass TD	2026: 5 / 3	2025: 16 / 20; 3 pass TD in 3 games, 2 INT
Points: wins vs losses	2025: 36.0 vs 18.9	4 wins averaged 36.0 ppg; 8 losses 18.9 ppg
3rd-down offense	2026: 45.5% / 2025: 34.8%	4th down: 6-of-7 in 2026 (86%); 12-of-27 (44%) in 2025
Sacks made / allowed	2026: 7 / 9	At Notre Dame: 1 made, 4 allowed; DL Coenen has 3 of the 7 sacks
Red zone	2026: 10-of-11 scored, 7 TD	2025: 38-of-42 scored, 27 TD (64% TD rate)
Defense, run / pass	2026: 113.0 / 182.7 ypg	2025: 147.3 / 231.3 ypg; 4.5 per carry and 7.6 per pass attempt allowed
Takeaways / giveaways	2026: 2 / 3	2025: 9 / 12 (5 INT, 4 fumbles recovered; 6 INT, 6 fumbles lost)
Special teams	2026: Boyd 6-of-7 FG	2025: 12-of-17 FG; Dakin 46.6 per punt in 2026; PR 15.3; KR 27.3

MSU 2026 team and individual statistics, stats as of Sep 20, 2026 [1]; MSU 2025 cumulative statistics (final) [4].

WHAT IT MEANS FOR US · OUR OPINION FROM THE NUMBERS ABOVE

- 1. THE EDWARDS RUN GAME IS THE LANE TO HOLD: MSU runs 61% of the time and Edwards has 288 of its 452 rushing yards (4.8 per carry; 152 at EMU). Nebraska allows 107.7 rush ypg (45th) and 3.2 per carry; the rest of MSU's backs average 3.1-4.6 [1][2].
- 2. PRESSURE VS THEIR LINE: MSU has allowed 9 sacks in 3 games (121st) and Milivojevic completes 66% at 7.6 per attempt. Nebraska has 9 sacks (3.0 per game, 18th), including 5 vs North Dakota. Their top linebacker (Pretzlaff) is out, but Hall and Coenen (3 sacks) are the players to find [1][2][5].
- 3. OUR RUN / PASS LANES: MSU is 113.0 rush ypg allowed (53rd) and 182.7 pass (50th); Nebraska is 263.0 and 257.7 with 23 plays of 20+ yards (tied for 2nd). MSU gave up a 71-yd run and 60- and 61-yd passes; their red-zone defense has allowed a score every trip [1][2].
- 4. CAUTION: three games and a new staff; 2025's numbers belong to a different roster and coaches (62 newcomers). Five of the last six meetings were decided by five or fewer points and Nebraska has lost its last two trips to East Lansing by 3 [1][2].