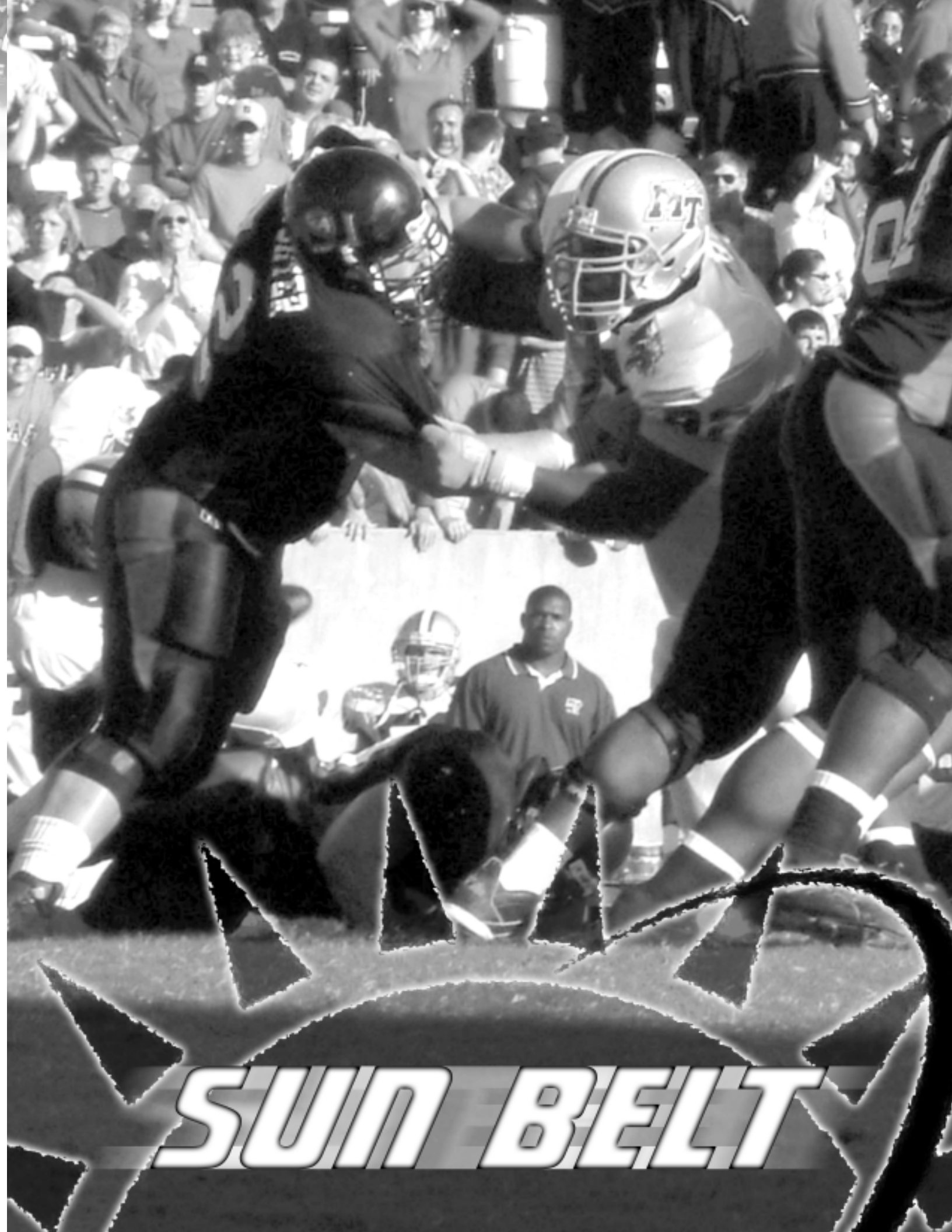
SUN BELT

CONFERENCE HOME OF THE BLUE RAIDERS

SUN BELT CONFERENCE

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As it closes in on three decades of proven excellence in its academic achievements and athletic endeavors, the Sun Belt Conference continues to set tremendous standards for its future as a Division I-A organization.

The Sun Belt Conference embarks on its 28th season of competition in 2003-04, and does so as one of only 11 I-A conferences, as the league began sponsorship of football for the first time in 2001. The league has made strides to guarantee continued success in NCAA I-A football with the recent announcements that the University of Idaho, Utah State University, and Troy State University will be joining the league as all-sports members by July 1, 2005. Idaho currently competes in the Sun Belt as a football-only member, while Utah State will compete for the first time as a football-only member in the 2003 season. Troy State will be added to the conference schedule for football in 2004.

Current Sun Belt members institutions include, the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Arkansas State University, the University of Denver, Florida International University, the University of Louisiana, Middle Tennessee State University, New Mexico State University, the University of New Orleans, the University of North Texas, the University of South Alabama and Western Kentucky University. The University of Louisiana at Monroe holds an affiliate membership in football and women's swimming & diving.

The Sun Belt Conference football champion plays annually in the New Orleans Bowl against an opponent from Conference USA. The New Orleans Bowl, the first contest of the 2003-04 bowl season, will be played December 16 at the Louisiana Superdome and televised live nationally on ESPN2. The league will have its first regular season football game televised nationally this season on ESPN2. The game will feature 2002 Sun Belt champion North Texas at 2002 league runner-up New Mexico State on Tuesday, Nov. 25.

The addition of Sun Belt football also coincided with the league's commitment to providing increased athletic opportunities for its member institutions and their student-athletes in other sports. In recent years, the Conference has also added softball, women's soccer, and women's swimming and diving to its list of sponsored championships. In fact, the Sun Belt Conference has increased women's participation by 69.3 percent over a two-year span from 1999-2001.

The Sun Belt Conference sponsors 18 sports, eight for men and 10 for women. The men's sports include baseball, basketball, cross country, football, golf, tennis, indoor track and field, and outdoor track and field. The women's sports are basketball, cross country, golf, soccer, softball, swimming and diving, tennis, indoor track and field, outdoor track and field, and volleyball.

Since its formation in 1976, the Sun Belt Conference has been innovative and progressive in its thinking. In a move unprecedented in the annals of NCAA Division I, the Sun Belt merged with the American South Conference in 1991, producing one of the nation's largest Division I leagues.

The SBC boasts a rich tradition in the sport of men's basketball throughout its history. Not only did the Sun Belt send a team to the NCAA Final Four in its first-year of play, UNC Charlotte in 1977, the league became known as an innovator in its early stages, pioneering the shot clock and three-point field goal, standards which are followed throughout college basketball today.

Furthermore, the Sun Belt was the first conference to sign a long-term contract with ESPN in 1979, and has the longest running broadcast relationship with the network of any conference, 25 consecutive years. Since ESPN's inception, the network has televised every Sun Belt Men's Basketball Tournament final since 1980, and that relationship will continue as the league just inked an extension with ESPN through the 2005-06 season.

On the court itself, the Sun Belt has enjoyed enormous success. Overall, current Sun Belt teams have participated in 72 NCAA Tournament games and 71 contests in the National Invitation Tournament. Western Kentucky and New Mexico State have advanced to the NCAA Final Fours, while Arkansas-Little Rock, Louisiana-Lafayette and Western Kentucky have also participated in the NIT Final Four.

Sun Belt members have also made tremendous strides in women's basketball as well. Western Kentucky has a longstanding history of NCAA Tournament appearances, making three trips to the Women's Final Four (1985, 1986, 1992), and finishing as the national runner-up in 1992.

Florida International has become an NCAA Tournament regular in recent years, including advancing to the second round in 2002, and Denver made its first-ever NCAA appearance in 2001. New Orleans and Arkansas State have excelled as well, winning the National Women's Invitational Tournament in 1983 and 1993, respectively.

In 2001, six Sun Belt women's basketball teams participated in national postseason tournament action, including four teams in the Women's NIT: Florida International, Middle Tennessee, North Texas and Western Kentucky, which advanced into the event's quarterfinals.

In baseball, the Sun Belt annually ranks among the nation's top 10 conferences, and in 2002, the league placed four teams into the NCAA Tournament: South Alabama, Louisiana-Lafayette, New Mexico State and Florida International. In the first four years of the new NCAA Baseball Tournament format, Sun Belt teams have won three NCAA Regionals to advance to the Super Regional round. In 2000, when five current Sun Belt teams advanced to the national tournament, Louisiana-Lafayette made it to the NCAA College World Series, where the Ragin' Cajuns finished third.

In recent years, the Sun Belt has consistently ranked among the top 10 leagues according to the NCAA Ratings Percentage Index, and rated as high as third in 1997 and fifth in 2002. New Orleans advanced to the 1984 NCAA College World Series, and, all told, current Sun Belt teams sport 60 NCAA Division I postseason appearances in baseball.

In addition to its athletic accomplishments, the Sun Belt Conference aggressively promotes academics and sportsmanship. The Postgraduate Scholarship, Conference Medallion, Academic Honor Roll and Commissioner's All-Academic List honor outstanding work in the classroom by the league's student-athletes. The Conference also awards a Male and Female Student-Athlete of the Year honor and numerous Sportsmanship Awards to the league's student-athletes who exemplify outstanding character and community service.

The Sun Belt Conference is led by Commissioner Wright Waters, now in his fourth full year as commissioner. He is the fourth Sun Belt commissioner, following Vic Bubas (1976-90), Jim Lessig (1990-91) and Craig Thompson (1991-98). The Sun Belt all-sports award, the Vic Bubas Cup, is named after the founding commissioner of the league.

STANDINGS/BOWL TIE

2001 FINAL SUN BELT CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	Conference				Overall							
	W-L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.	W-L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.	H	A	N	Streak
$#North Texas	5-1	.833	200	104	5-6	.455	255	248	3-1	2-4	0-1	L1
#Middle Tennessee	**5-1**	**.833**	**248**	**152**	**8-3**	**.727**	**408**	**286**	**5-0**	**3-3**	**0-0**	**W1**
New Mexico State	4-2	.667	209	163	5-7	.417	286	400	2-2	3-5	0-0	L1
UL Lafayette	2-4	.333	163	192	3-8	.273	234	365	2-3	1-5	0-0	L3
Arkansas State	2-4	.333	90	194	2-9	.182	177	357	2-4	0-5	0-0	L4
UL Monroe	2-4	.333	105	152	2-9	.182	148	351	1-4	1-5	0-0	L1
Idaho	1-5	.167	234	292	1-10	.091	313	495	1-4	0-6	0-0	L2

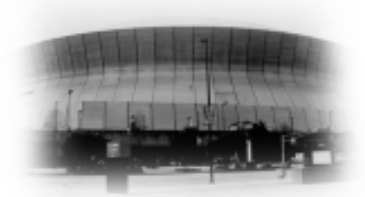
 # = co-champions *$ = New Orleans Bowl representative*

2002 FINAL SUN BELT CONFERENCE STANDINGS

	Conference				Overall							
	W-L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.	W-L	Pct.	Pts.	Opp.	H	A	N	Streak
*^North Texas	6-0	1.000	159	59	8-5	.615	249	192				W7
New Mexico State	5-1	.833	177	160	7-5	.583	327	328	5-0	2-5	0-0	W1
Arkansas State	3-3	.500	125	109	6-7	.462	259	361	4-3	2-4	0-0	W1
Middle Tennessee	2-4	.333	158	151	4-8	.333	297	332	3-2	1-6	0-0	W1
Louisiana-Monroe	2-4	.333	140	176	3-9	.250	236	451				W1
Louisiana-Lafayette	2-4	.333	117	178	3-9	.250	203	352	3-2	0-7	0-0	L2
Idaho	1-5	.167	123	166	2-10	.167	285	428				L4

** = Sun Belt Champion* *^ = New Orleans Bowl representative*

For the third straight season, the Sun Belt Conference Champion will earn a spot in the New Orleans Bowl. The game will be played at the Louisiana Superdome against a team from Conference USA.



NEW ORLEANS BOWL

SBC vs C-USA

Dec. 16, 2003
ESPN2, 6 PM CST
New Orleans, LA

SBC ALL SPORTS ROSTER

INSTITUTION	JOINED SUN BELT	LOCATION	ENROLLMENT	SHORT NAME	NICKNAME	COLORS
Arkansas-Little Rock	1991	Little Rock, AR	12,419	UALR	Trojans	Maroon/Silver
Arkansas State	1991	Jonesboro, AR	10,050	ASU	Indians	Scarlet/Black
Denver	1999	Denver, CO	8,847	DU	Pioneers	Crimson/Gold
Florida International	1998	Miami, FL	30,583	FIU	Golden Panthers	Blue/Gold
Louisiana-Lafayette	1991	Lafayette, LA	17,000	UL-Lafayette	Ragin' Cajuns	Vermilion/White
Middle Tennessee	**2000**	**Murfreesboro, TN**	**20,073**	**MT**	**Blue Raiders**	**Royal Blue/White**
New Mexico State	2000	Las Cruces, NM	15,955	NMSU	Roadrunners	Crimson/White
New Orleans	1976-80; 1991	New Orleans, LA	15,619	UNO	Privateers	Royal Blue/Silver
North Texas	2000	Denton, TX	25,000	NT	Mean Green	Green/White
South Alabama	1976	Mobile, AL	11,650	USA	Jaguars	Red/White/Blue
Utah State	2003	Logan, UT	21,490	USU	Aggies	Navy Blue/White
Western Kentucky	1982	Bowling Green, KY	15,087	WKU	Hilltoppers	Red/White

2002 TEAM LEADERS

SCORING OFFENSE	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg
New Mexico State	12	39	32	4	0	17	1	327	27.2
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**38**	**31**	**4**	**0**	**10**	**0**	**297**	**24.8**
Idaho	12	38	36	0	0	7	0	285	23.8
Arkansas State	13	33	31	0	0	10	0	259	19.9
Louisiana-Monroe	12	32	27	0	0	5	1	236	19.7
North Texas	13	32	25	1	0	10	0	249	19.2
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	25	20	1	0	9	2	203	16.9

SCORING DEFENSE	G	TD	XP	2XP	DXP	FG	Saf	Pts	Avg
North Texas	13	23	19	0	0	11	1	192	14.8
New Mexico State	12	44	38	1	0	8	0	328	27.3
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**43**	**34**	**3**	**0**	**10**	**2**	**332**	**27.7**
Arkansas State	13	47	42	0	0	11	2	361	27.8
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	46	41	1	0	11	0	352	29.3
Idaho	12	54	48	4	0	16	0	428	35.7
Louisiana-Monroe	12	59	51	2	0	14	0	451	37.6

PASS OFFENSE	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Idaho	12	512	302	18	59.0	3475	6.8	23	289.6
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	432	234	19	54.2	2733	6.3	13	227.8
Louisiana-Monroe	12	422	204	14	48.3	2664	6.3	17	222.0
New Mexico State	12	276	169	6	61.2	2337	8.5	13	194.8
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**256**	**148**	**8**	**57.8**	**1848**	**7.2**	**6**	**154.0**
Arkansas State	13	290	150	9	51.7	1868	6.4	7	143.7
North Texas	13	217	98	9	45.2	1327	6.1	8	102.1

PASS DEFENSE	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
North Texas	13	367	199	16	54.2	2231	6.1	8	171.6
Arkansas State	13	316	183	16	57.9	2293	7.3	19	176.4
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	305	159	8	52.1	2375	7.8	18	197.9
New Mexico State	12	339	210	7	61.9	2412	7.1	16	201.0
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**347**	**213**	**10**	**61.4**	**2749**	**7.9**	**19**	**229.1**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	355	213	10	60.0	2860	8.1	22	238.3
Idaho	12	354	208	8	58.8	3293	9.3	21	274.4

KICKOFF RETURNS	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
North Texas	13	30	676	0	22.5
Idaho	12	58	1235	0	21.3
Arkansas State	13	45	895	0	19.9
New Mexico State	12	44	838	0	19.0
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	47	880	0	18.7
Louisiana-Monroe	12	51	944	0	18.5
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**40**	**660**	**0**	**16.5**

PUNTING	G	No.	Yards	Avg	Ret	Yds	Avg	Net/P
North Texas	13	88	3673	41.7	37	397	4.5	37.2
Idaho	12	56	2338	41.8	35	261	4.7	37.1
Middle Tennessee	12	63	2599	41.3	37	342	5.4	35.8
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	78	3108	39.8	40	360	4.6	35.2
Arkansas State	13	65	2469	38.0	27	358	5.5	32.5
New Mexico State	12	44	1597	36.3	17	212	4.8	31.5
Louisiana-Monroe	12	88	3052	34.7	50	530	6.0	28.7

		Gained			Lost				
TURNOVER MARGIN	G	Fum	Int	Tot	Fum	Int	Tot	Mar	Per/G
Arkansas State	13	17	16	33	17	9	26	+7	0.54
North Texas	13	14	16	30	17	9	26	+4	0.31
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**11**	**10**	**21**	**13**	**8**	**21**	**+0**	**0.00**
New Mexico State	12	10	7	17	11	6	17	+0	0.00
Louisiana-Monroe	12	10	10	20	13	14	27	-7	-0.58
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	18	8	26	15	19	34	-8	-0.67
Idaho	12	6	8	14	10	18	28	-14	-1.17

RUSHING OFFENSE	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
New Mexico State	12	573	2575	4.5	25	214.6
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**528**	**2504**	**4.7**	**30**	**208.7**
Arkansas State	13	537	2374	4.4	25	182.6
North Texas	13	587	2372	4.0	23	182.5
Louisiana-Monroe	12	414	1456	3.5	12	121.3
Idaho	12	396	1380	3.5	14	115.0
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	384	734	1.9	9	61.2

RUSHING DEFENSE	G	Rushes	Yards	Avg.	TD	Yds/G
North Texas	13	504	1542	3.1	13	118.6
New Mexico State	12	426	1924	4.5	26	160.3
Arkansas State	13	524	2149	4.1	21	165.3
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**476**	**2060**	**4.3**	**20**	**171.7**
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	508	2187	4.3	26	182.2
Idaho	12	489	2282	4.7	32	190.2
Louisiana-Monroe	12	504	2348	4.7	33	195.7

TOTAL OFFENSE	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Yards	Avg/P	TD	Yds/G
New Mexico State	12	2575	2337	849	4912	5.8	38	409.3
Idaho	12	1380	3475	908	4855	5.3	37	404.6
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**2504**	**1848**	**784**	**4352**	**5.6**	**36**	**362.7**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	1456	2664	836	4120	4.9	29	343.3
Arkansas State	13	2374	1868	827	4242	5.1	32	326.3
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	734	2733	816	3467	4.2	22	288.9
North Texas	13	2372	1327	804	3699	4.6	31	284.5

TOTAL DEFENSE	G	Rush	Pass	Plys	Yards	Avg	TD	Yds/G
North Texas	13	1542	2231	871	3773	4.3	21	290.2
Arkansas State	13	2149	2293	840	4442	5.3	40	341.7
New Mexico State	12	1924	2412	765	4336	5.7	42	361.3
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	2187	2375	813	4562	5.6	44	380.2
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**2060**	**2749**	**823**	**4809**	**5.8**	**39**	**400.8**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	2348	2860	859	5208	6.1	55	434.0
Idaho	12	2282	3293	843	5575	6.6	53	464.6

PUNT RETURNS	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	33	357	2	10.8
New Mexico State	12	27	275	0	10.2
Idaho	12	34	341	1	10.0
Arkansas State	13	27	267	0	9.9
North Texas	13	37	310	0	8.4
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**28**	**167**	**1**	**6.0**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	23	128	1	5.6

PASS EFFICIENCY	G	Att	Cmp	Pct	Int	Yds	TD	Effic
New Mexico State	12	276	169	.612	6	2337	13	143.6
Idaho	12	512	302	.590	18	3475	23	123.8
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**256**	**148**	**.578**	**8**	**1848**	**6**	**119.9**
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Arkansas State	13	290	150	.517	9	1868	7	107.6
North Texas	13	217	98	.452	9	1327	8	100.4

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Louisiana-Lafayette	12	305	159	8	52.1	2375	18	131.8
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Louisiana-Monroe	12	355	213	10	60.0	2860	22	142.5
Idaho	12	354	208	8	58.8	3293	21	152.0

FIRST DOWNS	G	Rush	Pass	Pen	Total
Idaho	12	84	163	22	269
New Mexico State	12	144	98	17	259
Louisiana-Monroe	12	89	107	24	220
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**135**	**60**	**23**	**218**
Arkansas State	13	116	80	11	207
North Texas	13	111	57	22	190
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	58	115	16	189

OPPONENT 1ST DOWNS	G	Rush	Pass	Pen	Total
North Texas	13	81	98	26	205
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	106	96	17	219
New Mexico State	12	108	110	11	229
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**104**	**115**	**17**	**236**
Arkansas State	13	122	101	19	242
Idaho	12	119	132	16	267
Louisiana-Monroe	12	129	127	18	274

SACKS BY	G	Sacks	Yards
North Texas	13	44	255
Arkansas State	13	34	188
Idaho	12	26	111
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	18	118
Louisiana-Monroe	12	17	126
New Mexico State	12	14	92
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**13**	**96**

PENALTIES	G	No	Yds	Avg/G
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	70	570	47.5
New Mexico State	12	77	672	56.0
Idaho	12	79	743	61.9
Arkansas State	13	99	806	62.0
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**84**	**750**	**62.5**
North Texas	13	105	928	71.4
Louisiana-Monroe	12	116	911	75.9

OPPONENT PENALTIES	G	No	Yds	Avg/G
North Texas	13	127	1046	80.5
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**114**	**950**	**79.2**
Idaho	12	92	898	74.8
Louisiana-Monroe	12	91	828	69.0
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	96	725	60.4
Arkansas State	13	85	779	59.9
New Mexico State	12	82	641	53.4

4TH-DN CONVERSIONS	G	Conv	Att	Pct
New Mexico State	12	17	22	77.3
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	11	18	61.1
Louisiana-Monroe	12	9	15	60.0
North Texas	13	8	15	53.3
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**7**	**15**	**46.7**
Idaho	12	14	31	45.2
Arkansas State	13	6	16	37.5

OPP 4TH-DN CONVERT	G	Conv	Att	Pct
North Texas	13	7	18	38.9
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**9**	**18**	**50.0**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	9	18	50.0
Idaho	12	12	20	60.0
Arkansas State	13	11	18	61.1
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	8	13	61.5
New Mexico State	12	13	18	72.2

RED ZONE OFFENSE	G	RedZone	Pct.	TDs	R/P	FG-AT	Fumb/Int/Downs/Other
Idaho	12	32-39	82.1	0	0/0	4-7	1/0/3/0
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**34-42**	**81.0**	**4**	**4/0**	**6-8**	**2/1/1/2**
New Mexico State	12	37-47	78.7	0	0/0	13-17	0/3/2/1
North Texas	13	28-36	77.8	0	0/0	7-10	2/0/3/0
Louisiana-Monroe	12	27-36	75.0	0	0/0	3-7	0/1/3/1
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	19-27	70.4	0	0/0	6-6	3/2/3/0
Arkansas State	13	35-51	68.6	0	0/0	8-14	4/0/3/3

RED ZONE DEFENSE	G	RedZone	Pct.	TDs	R/P	FG-AT	Fumb/Int/Downs/Other
North Texas	13	28-42	66.7	3	2/1	11-18	2/3/2/0
Louisiana-Monroe	12	47-60	78.3	0	0/0	10-12	3/1/4/3
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**34-43**	**79.1**	**2**	**1/1**	**8-11**	**2/0/4/0**
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	38-48	79.2	0	0/0	6-12	2/0/2/0
New Mexico State	12	45-54	83.3	0	0/0	7-13	0/1/2/0
Idaho	12	47-56	83.9	0	0/0	11-13	0/2/2/3
Arkansas State	13	41-48	85.4	0	0/0	8-9	2/3/1/0

3RD-DN CONVERSIONS	G	Conv	Att	Pct
Idaho	12	80	193	41.5
New Mexico State	12	68	166	41.0
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**60**	**158**	**38.0**
Arkansas State	13	57	175	32.6
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	60	186	32.3
Louisiana-Monroe	12	57	186	30.6
North Texas	13	54	185	29.2

OPP 3RD-DN CONVERT	G	Conv	Att	Pct
North Texas	13	61	202	30.2
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	59	161	36.6
Idaho	12	58	158	36.7
Louisiana-Monroe	12	58	157	36.9
Arkansas State	13	66	164	40.2
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**68**	**166**	**41.0**
New Mexico State	12	71	157	45.2

SACKS AGAINST	G	Sacks	Yards
Arkansas State	13	7	58
North Texas	13	17	127
New Mexico State	12	21	113
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**23**	**123**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	26	167
Idaho	12	37	184
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	42	240

FIELD GOALS	G	Made	Att	Pct
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**10**	**13**	**.769**
New Mexico State	12	17	23	.739
North Texas	13	10	15	.667
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	9	18	.500
Arkansas State	13	10	22	.455
Louisiana-Monroe	12	5	12	.417
Idaho	12	7	17	.412

PAT KICKING	G	Made	Att	Pct
Idaho	12	36	36	1.000
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	20	20	1.000
New Mexico State	12	32	33	.970
Arkansas State	13	31	32	.969
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**31**	**33**	**.939**
Louisiana-Monroe	12	27	30	.900
North Texas	13	25	31	.806

TIME OF POSSESSION	G	Total Time	Avg/G
New Mexico State	12	386:51	32:14
Arkansas State	13	402:01	30:55
Idaho	12	361:06	30:05
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	357:34	29:47
North Texas	13	384:45	29:35
Louisiana-Monroe	12	352:47	29:23
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**349:30**	**29:07**

KICKOFF COVERAGE	G	No.	Yds	TD	Avg
Middle Tennessee	**12**	**32**	**554**	**0**	**17.3**
Arkansas State	13	45	780	0	17.3
North Texas	13	31	565	0	18.2
New Mexico State	12	53	1010	0	19.1
Louisiana-Lafayette	12	35	764	0	21.8
Idaho	12	31	677	0	21.8
Louisiana-Monroe	12	32	843	0	26.3

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RUSHING	Team	Cl	G	Att	Yds	Avg	TD	Yds/G
Smith, Danny	ASU	SR	13	254	1390	5.5	14	106.9
Hicks, Dwone	**MT**	**SR**	**10**	**184**	**1011**	**5.5**	**11**	**101.1**
Galbreath, Kevin	NT	SR	13	272	1298	4.8	9	99.8
Lewis, Blair	UI	SR	10	176	930	5.3	11	93.0
Jacobs, Bryant	ULM	SR	12	205	1043	5.1	7	86.9
Dombrowski, Paul	NMSU	FR	12	189	868	4.6	12	72.3
Cobbs, Patrick	NT	SO	13	159	761	4.8	8	58.5
Lee, ReShard	**MT**	**SO**	**11**	**110**	**642**	**5.8**	**6**	**58.4**
Warren, Antonio	ASU	SO	12	134	554	4.1	3	46.2
Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**150**	**486**	**3.2**	**10**	**44.2**

PASSING AVG/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Avg/G
Lindgren, Brian	UI	JR	11	382	240	10	62.8	2763	19	251.2
Jyles, Steven	ULM	FR	12	368	181	9	49.2	2318	17	193.2
Van Cleave, Jon	ULL	JR	11	316	169	15	53.5	2081	9	189.2
Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**243**	**142**	**7**	**58.4**	**1753**	**6**	**159.4**
Jacobs, Elliot	ASU	SO	13	258	136	7	52.7	1751	7	134.7
Smith, Andrew	NT	FR	13	196	91	9	46.4	1206	7	92.8

TOTAL OFFENSE	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Pass	Plays	Total	Yds/G
Lindgren, Brian	UI	JR	11	-97	2763	429	2666	242.4
Jyles, Steven	ULM	FR	12	160	2318	454	2478	206.5
Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**486**	**1753**	**393**	**2239**	**203.5**
Van Cleave, Jon	ULL	JR	11	-50	2081	380	2031	184.6
Dombrowski, Paul	NMSU	FR	12	868	1327	347	2195	182.9
Jacobs, Elliot	ASU	SO	13	193	1751	340	1944	149.5
Smith, Danny	ASU	SR	13	1390	0	254	1390	106.9
Hicks, Dwone	**MT**	**SR**	**10**	**1011**	**0**	**184**	**1011**	**101.1**
Galbreath,Kevin	NT	SR	13	1298	0	272	1298	99.8
Lewis, Blair	UI	SR	10	930	0	176	930	93.0

RECEPTIONS/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg/C	Rec/G
Vincent, Mack	ULM	JR	12	79	1198	7	15.2	6.58
Jelmberg, Josh	UI	SR	10	64	785	8	12.3	6.40
Briscoe, H.B.	NMSU	SR	11	50	880	5	17.6	4.55
Winston, Orland	UI	JR	11	50	624	1	12.5	4.55
Stamps, Fred	ULL	JR	12	54	1002	8	18.6	4.50
George, Andre	ULL	SR	11	49	531	2	10.8	4.45
Belser, Chris	UI	SR	11	47	596	4	12.7	4.27
Calico, Tyrone	**MT**	**SR**	**12**	**45**	**606**	**4**	**13.5**	**3.75**
Smith, Floyd	ULM	SO	11	39	429	3	11.0	3.55
Winston, P.J.	NMSU	SR	12	39	574	3	14.7	3.25

RECEIVE YDS/GAME	Team	Cl	G	Rec	Yds	TD	Avg/C	Yds/G
Vincent, Mack	ULM	JR	12	79	1198	7	15.2	99.8
Stamps, Fred	ULL	JR	12	54	1002	8	18.6	83.5
Briscoe, H.B.	NMSU	SR	11	50	880	5	17.6	80.0
Jelmberg, Josh	UI	SR	10	64	785	8	12.3	78.5
Winston, Orland	UI	JR	11	50	624	1	12.5	56.7
Belser, Chris	UI	SR	11	47	596	4	12.7	54.2
Quillen, Drouzo	ULM	FR	10	32	514	3	16.1	51.4
Calico, Tyrone	**MT**	**SR**	**12**	**45**	**606**	**4**	**13.5**	**50.5**
George, Andre	ULL	SR	11	49	531	2	10.8	48.3
Winston, P.J.	NMSU	SR	12	39	574	3	14.7	47.8

ALL PURPOSE	Team	Cl	G	Rush	Rcv	PR	KR	Yds	Avg/G
Hicks, Dwone	**MT**	**SR**	**10**	**1011**	**250**	**0**	**0**	**1261**	**126.1**
Jacobs, Bryant	ULM	SR	12	1043	32	0	357	1432	119.3
Smith, Danny	ASU	SR	13	1390	121	0	0	1511	116.2
Lewis, Blair	UI	SR	10	930	203	0	0	1133	113.3
Hickenbotham, J	ASU	SR	11	46	468	247	483	1244	113.1
Vincent, Mack	ULM	JR	12	53	1198	0	0	1251	104.2
Thompson, Cedri	UI	JR	11	19	46	233	826	1124	102.2
Galbreath,Kevin	NT	SR	13	1298	21	0	0	1319	101.5
Branch, Ja'Mel	NT	SO	13	192	384	229	385	1190	91.5
Winston, P.J.	NMSU	SR	12	67	574	-1	437	1077	89.8

INTERCEPTIONS	Team	Cl	G	Int	Yds	TD	Int/G
Allen, Chuck	ASU	FR	11	5	90	0	0.45
McGee, Don	NT	SR	12	5	109	0	0.42
Burke, Jonathan	ASU	JR	13	5	59	1	0.38
Spencer, Cody	NT	JR	10	3	61	0	0.30
Sutton, Tony	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**3**	**14**	**0**	**0.25**
Rashada, M.	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**0.25**
Smith, Jamal	ULL	JR	11	2	44	1	0.18
Glover, Richard	NMSU	SO	11	2	17	1	0.18
Shabazz, Siddee	NMSU	SR	12	2	53	0	0.17
Martin, Will	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**2**	**35**	**0**	**0.17**

PASS EFFICIENCY	Team	Cl	G	Att	Cmp	Int	Pct.	Yds	TD	Eff.
Lindgren, Brian	UI	JR	11	382	240	10	62.8	2763	19	134.8
Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**243**	**142**	**7**	**58.4**	**1753**	**6**	**121.4**
Jacobs, Elliot	ASU	SO	13	258	136	7	52.7	1751	7	113.2
Jyles, Steven	ULM	FR	12	368	181	9	49.2	2318	17	112.4
Van Cleave, Jon	ULL	JR	11	316	169	15	53.5	2081	9	108.7
Smith, Andrew	NT	FR	13	196	91	9	46.4	1206	7	100.7

PUNT RETURN AVG	Team	Cl	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Hickenbotham, J.	ASU	SR	11	23	247	0	10.7
Gifford, Tyrone	NMSU	SR	12	26	276	0	10.6
Thompson, Cedric	UI	JR	11	27	233	0	8.6
George, Andre	ULL	SR	11	21	170	0	8.1
Branch, Ja'Mel	NT	SO	13	29	229	0	7.9
Adams, H.J.	ULM	JR	10	12	74	0	6.2
Youell, David	**MT**	**SR**	**12**	**17**	**86**	**0**	**5.1**

KICK RETURN AVG	Team	Cl	G	Ret	Yds	TD	Avg
Jacobs, Bryant	ULM	SR	12	15	357	0	23.8
Thompson, Cedric	UI	JR	11	36	826	0	22.9
Hickenbotham, J.	ASU	SR	11	22	483	0	22.0
Lee, ReShard	**MT**	**SO**	**11**	**12**	**252**	**0**	**21.0**
Gifford, Tyrone	NMSU	SR	12	13	272	0	20.9
Winston, P.J.	NMSU	SR	12	21	437	0	20.8
Branch, Ja'Mel	NT	SO	13	19	385	0	20.3
Stegall, Jerome	ASU	SO	13	14	272	0	19.4
Bryant, Rod	UI	JR	12	16	307	0	19.2
Sampy, Bill	ULL	SO	12	20	376	0	18.8

PUNTING	Team	Cl	G	Punt	Yds	Avg
Billings, R.	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**61**	**2599**	**42.6**
Kadlubar, Brad	NT	SO	13	85	3619	42.6
Downes, Ryan	UI	JR	12	56	2338	41.8
Autrey, Grant	ULL	JR	12	78	3108	39.8
Alexander, Mike	ASU	SR	12	64	2469	38.6
Copple, Brian	NMSU	SR	12	42	1585	37.7
Nesen, Kjell	ULM	JR	9	56	2048	36.6

SCORING	Team	Cl	G	TD	XPT	FG	Pts	Pts/G
Lewis, Blair	UI	SR	10	12	0	0	72	7.2
Aguiniga, Dario	NMSU	JR	12	0	32	17	83	6.9
Hicks, Dwone	**MT**	**SR**	**10**	**11**	**0**	**0**	**66**	**6.6**
Smith, Danny	ASU	SR	13	14	0	0	84	6.5
Dombrowski, Paul	NMSU	FR	12	12	4	0	76	6.3
Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**10**	**2**	**0**	**62**	**5.6**
Kelly, Brian	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**0**	**33**	**10**	**63**	**5.2**
Jelmberg, Josh	UI	SR	10	8	0	0	48	4.8
Stamps, Keith	UI	SR	12	0	36	7	57	4.8
Neihouse, Eric	ASU	FR	13	0	31	10	61	4.7

SCORING (TDs)	Team	Cl	G	TD	Rush	Pass	Ret	PAT	Pts	Pts/G
Lewis, Blair	UI	SR	10	12	11	1	0	0	72	7.2
Hicks, Dwone	**MT**	**SR**	**10**	**11**	**11**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**66**	**6.6**
Smith, Danny	ASU	SR	13	14	14	0	0	0	84	6.5
Dombrowski, Paul	NMSU	FR	12	12	12	0	0	2	76	6.3

Hines, Andrico	**MT**	**JR**	**11**	**10**	**10**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**62**	**5.6**
Jelmberg, Josh	UI	SR	10	8	0	8	0	0	48	4.8
Galbreath, Kevin	NT	SR	13	9	9	0	0	0	54	4.2
Stamps, Fred	ULL	JR	12	8	0	8	0	0	48	4.0
Cobbs, Patrick	NT	SO	13	8	8	0	0	0	48	3.7
Vincent, Mack	ULM	JR	12	7	0	7	0	0	42	3.5

SCORING (KICK)	Team	Cl	G	PATs	FGs	Pts	Pts/G
Aguiniga, Dario	NMSU	JR	12	32-33	17-23	83	6.9
Kelly, Brian	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**31-32**	**10-13**	**61**	**5.1**
Stamps, Keith	UI	SR	12	36-36	7-17	57	4.8
Neihouse, Eric	ASU	FR	13	31-32	10-22	61	4.7
Bazaldua, Nick	NT	FR	12	25-31	10-15	55	4.6
Comiskey, Sean	ULL	FR	11	20-20	9-18	47	4.3
Kuecker, Tyler	ULM	JR	12	13-15	4-10	25	2.1

FIELD GOALS	Team	Cl	G	FG	FGA	Pct.	FG/G
Aguiniga, Dario	NMSU	JR	12	17	23	73.9	1.42
Kelly, Brian	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**10**	**13**	**76.9**	**0.83**
Bazaldua, Nick	NT	FR	12	10	15	66.7	0.83
Comiskey, Sean	ULL	FR	11	9	18	50.0	0.82
Neihouse, Eric	ASU	FR	13	10	22	45.5	0.77
Stamps, Keith	UI	SR	12	7	17	41.2	0.58
Kuecker, Tyler	ULM	JR	12	4	10	40.0	0.33

FIELD GOAL PCT	Team	Cl	G	FG	FGA	Long	Pct.
Kelly, Brian	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**10**	**13**	**45**	**76.9**
Aguiniga, Dario	NMSU	JR	12	17	23	52	73.9
Bazaldua, Nick	NT	FR	12	10	15	44	66.7
Comiskey, Sean	ULL	FR	11	9	18	50	50.0
Neihouse, Eric	ASU	FR	13	10	22	39	45.5
Stamps, Keith	UI	SR	12	7	17	49	41.2
Kuecker, Tyler	ULM	JR	12	4	10	42	40.0

PAT KICKING PCT	Team	Cl	G	Made	Att	Pct.
Stamps, Keith	UI	SR	12	36	36	100.0
Comiskey, Sean	ULL	FR	11	20	20	100.0
Aguiniga, Dario	NMSU	JR	12	32	33	97.0
Neihouse, Eric	ASU	FR	13	31	32	96.9
Kelly, Brian	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**31**	**32**	**96.9**
Kuecker, Tyler	ULM	JR	12	13	15	86.7
Bazaldua, Nick	NT	FR	12	25	31	80.6
Hines, Andrico	MT	JR	11	0	1	0.0

TACKLES (All positions)

Player	Team	Cl	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Total	Avg/G	Sack
Kramer, Jordan	UI	SR	12	LB	62	62	124	10.3	5
Casey, Taylor	NT	JR	13	LB	64	53	117	9.0	2
Glover, Richard	NMSU	SO	11	LB	47	48	95	8.6	0
Cottrell, Jimmy	NMSU	FR	12	LB	35	67	102	8.5	3
Tillman, Charle	ULL	SR	12	CB	66	34	100	8.3	0
Durham, Sheldon	**MT**	**SR**	**12**	**LB**	**59**	**38**	**97**	**8.1**	**2**
Harris, Chris	ULM	SO	12	DB	38	58	96	8.0	0
Shabazz, Siddee	NMSU	SR	12	S	54	39	93	7.8	1
Arnold, Randy	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**LB**	**54**	**34**	**88**	**7.3**	**1**
Jones, Craig	NT	JR	13	DB	64	27	91	7.0	1
Hurd, Chris	NT	JR	13	LB	49	42	91	7.0	1
Spencer, Cody	NT	JR	10	LB	35	31	66	6.6	5
Martin, Will	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**S**	**53**	**25**	**78**	**6.5**	**0**
Echols, Les	ASU	JR	13		38	46	84	6.5	3
Hughes, Carlos	ULM	SR	12	LB	26	49	75	6.2	1
Lynch, Brandon	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**LB**	**45**	**30**	**75**	**6.2**	**1**
Gifford, Tyrone	NMSU	SR	12	S	40	31	71	5.9	0
Kennedy, Brandon	NT	JR	13	DL	50	26	76	5.8	10
Peoples, Alex	ASU	SO	13		45	31	76	5.8	0
Libey, Patrick	UI	JR	12	LB	32	37	69	5.8	1
Richard, Damien	ULM	SO	10	SS	23	32	55	5.5	0
Lee, Seneca	ULM	JR	12	CB	31	33	64	5.3	0
Moore, Travin	ULM	SO	11		28	30	58	5.3	0
Patrick, Tim	NMSU	JR	12	LB	35	27	62	5.2	5
Tookes, Steven	ASU	SO	13		35	31	66	5.1	1
Bernard, Darrel	NMSU	SR	12	CB	29	28	57	4.8	0
Atoe, Tali	UI	SR	11	DT	17	34	51	4.6	6
Smith, Jamal	ULL	JR	11	LB	32	19	51	4.6	0
Robinson, L.	ULM	SO	12	LB	26	29	55	4.6	2
Sutton, Tony	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**DB**	**44**	**11**	**55**	**4.6**	**0**
Rashada, M.	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**DB**	**40**	**15**	**55**	**4.6**	**0**
Wyatt, Koryee	NT	JR	13	LB	32	27	59	4.5	3
Howard, Brian	UI	JR	12	DT	20	34	54	4.5	5
Kodama, Chad	UI	JR	11	LB	26	22	48	4.4	2
Canidate, Rober	NMSU	SR	12	CB	36	16	52	4.3	0
Anderson, Mike	UI	FR	12	LB	27	24	51	4.2	2
Bryant, Rod	UI	JR	12	CB	30	21	51	4.2	0
Allen, Chuck	ASU	FR	11		36	10	46	4.2	0
Deamer, Brian	ULL	SR	11		22	24	46	4.2	0
Smith, Stanley	ULL	SO	12	LB	24	25	49	4.1	1
Buckles, Jonas	NT	SO	13	DB	34	18	52	4.0	0
Woods, Michael	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**LB**	**31**	**17**	**48**	**4.0**	**0**

SACKS	Team	Cl	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	Avg/G
Williams, Corey	ASU	SR	11		9	0	64	9	0.82
Kennedy, Brandon	NT	JR	13	DL	9	1	71	10	0.77
Awasom, Adrian	NT	SO	12	DE	6	2	33	8	0.67
Atoe, Tali	UI	SR	11	DT	4	2	20	6	0.55
Todd, Courtney	ASU	SO	13		4	3	36	7	0.54
Spencer, Cody	NT	JR	10	LB	4	1	32	5	0.50
Floyd,Antonio	ULL	JR	11	DE	3	2	22	5	0.45
Bradley, Jon	ASU	SR	14		5	1	29	6	0.43
McIver, Chris	NT	SR	12	DL	3	2	24	5	0.42
Kramer, Jordan	UI	SR	12	LB	4	1	19	5	0.42

TFLs	Team	Cl	G	Pos	Solo	Ast	Yds	Total	Avg/G
Kennedy, Brandon	NT	JR	13	DL	20	5	111	25	1.92
Floyd,Antonio	ULL	JR	11	DE	11	3	45	14	1.27
Atoe, Tali	UI	SR	11	DT	5	9	31	14	1.27
Rudick, Gary	ULL	SO	8	DE	8	2	35	10	1.25
Kramer, Jordan	UI	SR	12	LB	11	3	45	14	1.17
Williams, Corey	ASU	SR	11		12	0	76	12	1.09
Brupbacher, Ros	ULL	SR	3	LB	2	1	4	3	1.00
Robinson, L.	ULM	SO	12	LB	5	6	21	11	0.92
Todd, Courtney	ASU	SO	13		7	4	43	11	0.85
McIver, Chris	NT	SR	12	DL	6	4	36	10	0.83

FUMBLES FORCED	Team	Cl	G	Num
Bradley, Jon	ASU	SR	14	4
Jones, Craig	NT	JR	13	3
Tillman, Charle	ULL	SR	12	3
Kennedy,Brandon	NT	JR	13	3
Berry, Bryant	ASU	JR	13	3
Peoples, Alex	ASU	SO	13	3
Durham, Sheldon	**MT**	**SR**	**12**	**2**
Robinson, L.	ULM	SO	12	2
Arnold, Randy	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**2**
Guillory, Brandon	ULM	SO	10	2

FUMBLES RCVD	Team	Cl	G	Num
Smith, Jamal	ULL	JR	11	4
Todd, Courtney	ASU	SO	13	3
Kennedy, Brandon	NT	JR	13	3
Casey, Taylor	NT	JR	13	3
Echols, Les	ASU	JR	13	3
Ocampo, Simon	NMSU	SO	3	2
Awasom, Adrian	NT	SO	12	2
Howard, Brian	UI	JR	12	2
Wright, Cameron	NMSU	FR	9	2
Thompson, John	ULM	JR	12	2

PASSES DEFENDED	Team	Cl	G	Brup	Int	Total
McGee, Don	NT	SR	12	7	5	12
Rashada, M.	**MT**	**JR**	**12**	**9**	**3**	**12**
Tillman, Charle	ULL	SR	12	8	2	10
Allen, Chuck	ASU	FR	11	5	5	10
Mouton, Cash	ULM	SO	12	9	1	10
Bryant, Rod	UI	JR	12	7	2	9
Taylor, Ivan	ULL	SR	12	8	0	8
Buckles, Jonas	NT	SO	13	6	2	8
Burke, Jonathan	ASU	JR	13	3	5	8
Spencer, Cody	NT	JR	10	4	3	7

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TEAM GAME HIGHS

Scoring (Points)
51 Louisiana-Monroe vs Utah State (10/26/02)
49 New Mexico State vs UTEP (10/5/02)
48 Idaho vs San Diego State (9/21/02)
48 Middle Tennessee vs UL-Lafayette (10/19/02)
45 Middle Tennessee vs Utah State (11/30/02)

Total offense plays
90 Idaho vs San Diego State (9/21/02) [44r,46p]
89 Idaho at Oregon (9/14/02) [44r,45p]
87 Idaho at Louisiana-Monroe (10/12/02) [30r,57p]
86 N. Mex. St. vs Middle Tenn. (11/2/02) [64r,22p]

Rushing yards
362 Arkansas State vs Southern Utah (11/2/02)
326 Louisiana-Monroe vs Idaho(10/1202)
322 North Texas vs UL-Monroe (11/2/02)

Rushing attempts
64 New Mexico State vs Middle Tennesee (11/2/02)
60 North Texas at Arizona Wildcats (9/28/02)
57 Arkansas State vs Southern Utah (11/2/02)

Passing yards
470 Louisiana-Monroe vs Utah State (10/26/02)
415 Idaho at Louisiana-Monroe (10/12/02)
396 UL-Lafayette at Middle Tennessee (10/19/02)

Passing attempts
57 Idaho at Louisiana-Monroe (10/12/02)
49 Idaho at Washington State (9/7/02)
49 Idaho vs Montana (10/5/02)

Passes completed
35 Idaho at Louisiana-Monroe (10/12/02)
33 Idaho at Washington State (9/7/02)
30 Idaho at Oregon (9/14/02)
30 Idaho vs Montana (10/502)

Longest field goal
52 New Mexico State vs New Mexico (9/21/02)
50 New Mexico State at California (9/7/02)
50 UL-Lafayette at UL-Monroe (11/23/02)

Longest punt
79 New Mexico State vs UL-Monroe (10/19/02)
71 North Texas at Middle Tennessee (11/23/02)
68 Middle Tennessee at New Mexico St. (11/2/02)

Punting avg
60.0 New Mex. St. vs UL-Monroe (10/19/02) [2-120]
57.0 Idaho vs Arkansas State (11/16/02) [2-114]
56.5 Middle Tenn. at New Mex. St. (11/2/02) [4-226]

Punt returns
8 Idaho vs Middle Tennessee (10/26/02)
6 North Texas vs Nicholls State (9/7/02)
6 North Texas vs Idaho (9/9/02)
6 UL-Lafayette at UL-Monroe (11/23/02)

Punt return yards
108 Idaho vs Arkansas State (11/16/02)
82 Louisiana-Lafayette vs Minnesota (9/7/02)
78 Idaho vs Middle Tennessee (10/26/02)

Longest punt return
86 Idaho vs Arkansas State (11/16/02)
68 Louisiana-Lafayette vs Minnesota (9/7/02)
55 Idaho at Washington State (9/7/02)

Kick returns
10 Idaho at Oregon (9/14/02)
7 New Mexico State at South Carolina (8/31/02)
7 Louisiana-Lafayette vs Minnesota (9/7/02)
7 Louisiana-Monroe at Kansas State (9/7/02)
7 Arkansas State at Illinois (9/14/02)
7 Louisiana-Lafayette at LSU (10/5/02)
7 Arkansas State at Mississippi (10/12/02)

Kick return yards
179 Idaho at Oregon (9/14/02)
159 UL-Monroe at New Mexico State (10/19/02)
154 North Texas vs Cincinnati (12/17/02)

Longest kick return
63 Idaho vs San Diego State (9/21/02)
58 Middle Tennessee at Alabama (12/31/02)
52 Idaho at Washington (09/28/02)
52 UL-Monroe at New Mexico State (10/19/02)

Interceptions
5 Arkansas State at Idaho (11/16/02)
5 North Texas vs Cincinnati (12/17/02)
3 Louisiana-Lafayette vs Idaho (11/2/02)

Longest interception return
49 North Texas vs South Florida (10/5/02)
44 Louisiana-Lafayette vs Idaho (11/2/02)
43 Louisiana-Lafayette vs UAB (9/21/02)

QB sacks
8 North Texas at Texas (12/31/02)
7 North Texas vs UL-Monroe (11/2/02)
6 Arkansas State vs Tulsa (9/7/02)
6 Idaho vs Montana (10/5/02)
6 Idaho at Louisiana-Lafayette (11/2/02)

Turnovers committed
10 UL-Lafayette at Texas A&M (12/31/02)
7 Louisiana-Monroe vs Tulane (10/5/02)
6 Idaho vs Arkansas State (11/16/02)

IND. GAME HIGHS

Points scored
24 Cobbs (North Texas) vs UL-Monroe 11/2/02
24 Smith (Arkansas State) at Idaho 11/16/02
20 Dombrowski (New Mex. St.) at Idaho 11/23/02

Touchdowns
4 Cobbs (North Texas) vs UL-Monroe 11/2/02
4 Smith (Arkansas State) at Idaho 11/16/02

Points scored kicking
14 Kelly (MT) vs UL-Monroe 11/16/02 [3fg,5pat]
12 Stamps (Idaho) vs S. Diego St. 9/21/02 [2fg,6pat]
12 Kelly (MT) vs UL-Lafayette 10/19/02 [2fg,6pat]

Total offense yards
495 Jyles(ULM) vs Utah St. 10/26/02 [25r,470p]
422 Hines (MT) vs ULL 10/19/02 [75r,347p]
411 Lindgren (Idaho) at ULM 10/12/02 [-4r,415p]

Rushing yards
221 Lewis (Idaho) vs Middle Tennessee 10/26/02
206 Smith (Arkansas State) at Idaho 11/16/02
202 Hicks (Middle Tennessee) at Idaho 10/26/02

Rushing attempts
40 Smith (Arkansas State) at Idaho 11/16/02
33 Jacobs (Louisiana-Monroe) vs ULL 11/23/02
32 Warren (Arkansas State) vs Tulsa 9/7/02

Longest rush
81 Lewis (Idaho) vs Middle Tennessee 10/26/02
75 Higgins (New Mex. St.) at So. Carolina 12/31/02
74 Smith (Arkansas State) at ULL 11/9/02

Passing yards
470 Jyles (UL-Monroe) vs Utah State 10/26/02
415 Lindgren (Idaho) at UL-Monroe 10/12/02
396 Van Cleave (UL-Lafayette) at MT 10/19/02

Passing attempts
57 Lindgren (Idaho) at UL-Monroe 10/12/02
49 Lindgren (Idaho) at Washington State 9/7/02
46 Lindgren (Idaho) vs San Diego St. 9/21/02
46 Jyles (UL-Monroe) vs Tulane 10/5/02

Passing TDs
6 Lindgren (Idaho) vs San Diego St. 9/21/02
4 Jyles (UL-Monroe) vs Utah State 10/26/02
3 Jyles (UL-Monroe) vs Arkansas State 9/21/02
3 Lindgren (Idaho) at UL-Lafayette 11/2/02
3 Hines (MT) vs UL-Monroe 11/16/02

Longest pass
78 Van Cleave (UL-Lafayette) at Houston 9/14/02
77 Jyles (UL-Monroe) vs McNeese State 9/14/02
75 Van Cleave (UL-Lafayette) vs Idaho 11/2/02

Passes completed
35 Lindgren (Idaho) at UL-Monroe 10/12/02
33 Lindgren (Idaho) at Washington State 9/7/02
29 Lindgren (Idaho) vs San Diego State 9/21/02

Receiving yards
186 Vincent (UL-Monroe) vs Utah State 10/26/02
173 Vincent (UL-Monroe) vs McNeese St. 10/14/02
169 Vincent (UL-Monroe) vs Idaho 10/12/02
161 Calico (Middle Tennessee) vs ULM 11/16/02

Receptions
11 Jelmberg (Idaho) vs Montana 10/5/02
11 Belser (Idaho) vs NMSU 11/23/02
10 Jelmberg (Idaho) at Boise State 12/31/02
10 Jelmberg (Idaho) at Washington State 9/7/02
10 Vincent (UL-Monroe) vs Idaho 10/12/02

Receiving TDs
3 Jelmberg (Idaho) vs San Diego State 9/21/02
3 Calico (Middle Tennessee) vs ULM 11/16/02

Longest reception
78 Stamps (UL-Lafayette) at Houston 9/14/02
77 Vincent (UL-Monroe) vs McNeese St. 9/14/02
75 George (UL-Lafayette) vs Idaho 11/2/02

Longest field goal
52 Aguiniga (NMSU) vs New Mexico 9/21/02
50 Aguiniga (NMSU) at California 9/7/02
50 Comiskey (UL-Lafayette) at UL-Monroe 11/23/02

Punting avg
60.0 Copple (NMSU) vs ULM 10/19/02 [2-120]
57.0 Downes (Idaho) vs ASU 11/16/02 [2-114]
56.5 Billings (MT) at NMSU 11/2/0 [4-226]

Kick returns
6 Thompson (Idaho) at Oregon 9/14/02
6 Thompson (Idaho) vs Montana 10/5/02
6 Sampy (UL-Lafayette) at LSU 10/5/02
6 Thompson (Idaho) vs New Mex. St. 11/23/02

2002 & CUMULATIVE HONOR ROLL

2002 SUN BELT FOOTBALL AWARDS

Sun Belt Player of the Year
Brandon Kennedy, UNT

Offensive Player of the Year
Danny Smith, ASU

Defensive Player of the Year
Brandon Kennedy, UNT

Freshman of the Year
Paul Dombroski, NMSU

Newcomer of the Year
Jonathan Burke, ASU

Coach of the Year
Darrell Dickey, UNT

FINAL 2002 STANDINGS

Team	SBC	Overall
North Texas	6-0	8-5
New Mexico State	5-1	7-5
Arkansas State	3-3	6-7
Middle Tennessee	2-4	4-8
Louisiana-Monroe	2-4	3-9
Louisiana-Lafayette	2-4	3-9
Idaho	1-5	2-10

2002 ALL-SUN BELT CONFERENCE TEAMS

First Team Offense

Pos.	Player	School
OL	*Shalimar Jackson	NMSU
OL	Garry Johnson	ASU
OL	**Brandon Westbrook**	**MT**
OL	J.R. Randle	UNT
OL	Nick Zuniga	UNT
TE	*Jeff Muenchow	UNT
WR	Fred Stamps	ULL
WR	Mack Vincent	ULM
QB	Brian Lindgren	UI
RB	*Danny Smith	ASU
RB	*Kevin Galbreath	UNT
PK	*Dario Aguiniga	NMSU
KR	James Hickenbotham	ASU
All-Purp.	**ReShard Lee**	**MT**

**-unanimous selection*

Second Team Offense

Pos.	Player	School
OL	John Crossley	ASU
OL	Jonathan Raush	ULL
OL	**Glen Elarbee**	**MT**
OL	B.J. Van Briesen	NMSU
OL	Matt Turney	UNT
TE	Josh Joerg	ULL
WR	Josh Jeimberg	UI
WR	**Tyrone Calico**	**MT**
QB	Paul Dombroski	NMSU
RB	**Dwone Hicks**	**MT**
RB	Bryant Jacobs	ULM
PK	**Brian Kelly**	**MT**
KR	Cedric Thompson	UI
All-Purp.	Ja'Mel Branch	UNT

First Team Defense

Pos.	Player	School
DL	*Brandon Kennedy	UNT
DL	John Bradley	ASU
DL	Corey Williams	ASU
DL	Darrell Daniels	UNT
LB	Jordan Kramer	UI
LB	Taylor Casey	UNT
LB	Cody Spencer	UNT
DB	*Charles Tillman	ULL
DB	*Siddeeq Shabazz	ULL
DB	Craig Jones	UNT
DB	Don McGee	UNT
P	**Robert Billings**	**MT**

**-unanimous selection*

Second Team Defense

Pos.	Player	School
DL	Walter Sampson	ULL
DL	John Thompson	ULM
DL	Adrian Awasom	UNT
DL	Chris McIver	UNT
LB	Les Echols	ASU
LB	Carlos Hughes	ULM
LB	Rich Glover	NMSU
DB	Chuck Allen	ASU
DB	Jonathan Burke	ASU
DB	Chris Harris	ULM
DB	Jonas Buckles	UNT
P	Brad Kadlubar	UNT

ALL-SUN BELT HONORS

2001

First Team: Wes Counts, qb; Dwone Hicks, rb; Kendall Newson, wr; Brandon Westbrook, ol; Tanaka Scott, de; Scotty Brown, lb; Jykine Bradley, db.

Second Team: Glen Elarbee, ol; Michael Woods, fs; Robert Billings, p.

Player of Year: Wes Counts, qb

Offensive Player of Year: Dwone Hicks, rb

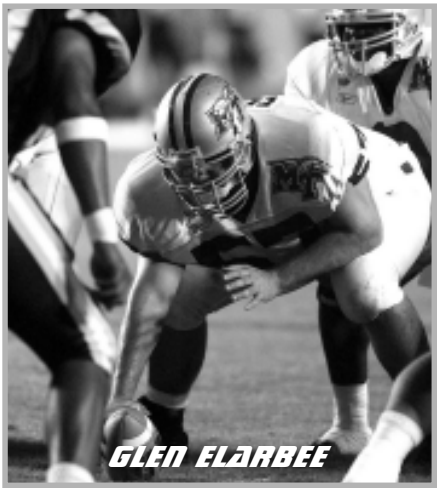
Players of the Week: Dwone Hicks (9/3), Wes Counts (9/24, 10/8), ReShard Lee (10/1), Kendall Newson (10/29), Jykine Bradley (9/3), Scotty Brown (9/24, 10/1, 11/19), Robert Billings (9/24, 10/1)

2002

First Team: Robert Billings, p; ReShard Lee, all-purpose; Brandon Westbrook, ol

Second Team: Tyrone Calico, wr; Glen Elarbee, c; Dwone Hicks, rb; Brian Kelly, pk

Players of the Week: ReShard Lee (9/2), Andrico Hines (10/21), Robert Billings (11/4)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2002 TEAM RESULTS

ARKANSAS STATE (6-7, 3-3 SBC)

A25 #$at Virginia Tech (16) ---------- L, 7-63
A31 ^San Jose State ---------- L, 14-33
S 7 Tulsa ---------- W, 21-19
S14 $at Illinois ---------- L, 7-59
S21 *at Louisiana-Monroe ---------- W, 33-21
S28 Tennessee-Martin ---------- W, 30-10
O 5 *Middle Tennessee ---------- W, 13-7
O12 at Mississippi (25) ---------- L, 17-52
O19 *North Texas (HC) ---------- L, 10-13
O26 *$New Mexico State ---------- L, 21-26
N 2 Southern Utah ---------- W, 38-16
N 9 *at Louisiana-Lafayette ---------- L, 10-13
N16 *at Idaho ---------- W, 38-29
#=Hispanic College Fund Football Classic
^=War Memorial Stadium, Little Rock, Ark.

IDAHO (2-10, 1-5 SBC)#

A31 at Boise State ---------- L, 21-38
S 7 at Washington State (11) ---------- L, 14-49
S14 at Oregon (13) ---------- L, 21-58
S21 San Diego State ---------- W, 48-38
S28 at Washington (13) ---------- L, 27-41
O 5 $Montana ---------- L, 31-38
O12 *at Louisiana-Monroe ---------- L, 14-34
O26 *$Middle Tennessee (HC) ---------- W, 21-18
N 2 *at Louisiana-Lafayette ---------- L, 28-31
N 9 *$at North Texas ---------- L, 0-10
N16 *Arkansas State ---------- L, 29-38
N23 *New Mexico State ---------- L, 31-35
#=All home games were played at Kibbie Dome (Moscow, Idaho)

LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE (3-9, 2-4 SBC)

A31 at Texas A&M (23) ---------- L, 7-31
S 7 $Minnesota ---------- L, 11-35
S14 at Houston ---------- L, 17-36
S21 $Alabama-Birmingham ---------- W, 34-0
O 5 at Louisiana State (21) ---------- L, 0-48
O12 *at New Mexico State ---------- L, 28-31
O19 *$at Middle Tennessee ---------- L, 35-48
O26 *North Texas ---------- L, 0-27
N 2 *Idaho (HC) ---------- W, 31-28
N 9 *Arkansas State ---------- W, 13-10
N16 at Arkansas ---------- L, 17-24
N23 *at Louisiana-Monroe ---------- L, 10-34

LOUISIANA-MONROE (3-9, 2-4 SBC)

A31 at Mississippi ---------- L, 3-31
S 7 at Kansas State ---------- L, 0-68
S14 McNeese State ---------- L, 19-24
S21 *Arkansas State ---------- L, 21-33
O 5 Tulane ---------- L, 9-52
O12 *Idaho ---------- W, 34-14
O19 *at New Mexico State ---------- L, 21-34
O26 Utah State (HC) ---------- W, 51-48 (2ot)
N 2 *at North Texas ---------- L, 2-41
N 9 at Auburn ---------- L, 14-52
N16 *$at Middle Tennessee ---------- L, 28-44
N23 *Louisiana-Lafayette ---------- W, 34-10

MIDDLE TENNESSEE (4-8, 2-4 SBC)

A31 ^$at Alabama ---------- L, 34-39
S 7 $at Tennessee (4) ---------- L, 3-26
S21 at Kentucky ---------- L, 22-44
S28 Southeast Missouri ---------- L, 14-24
O 5 *at Arkansas State ---------- L, 7-13
O12 at Vanderbilt ---------- W, 21-20
O19 *$Louisiana-Lafayette ---------- W, 48-35
O26 *$at Idaho ---------- L, 18-21
N 2 *at New Mexico State ---------- L, 21-24
N16 *$Louisiana-Monroe (HC) ---------- W, 44-28
N23 *$North Texas ---------- L, 20-30
N30 Utah State ---------- W, 45-28
^=Legion Field, Birmingham, Ala.

NEW MEXICO STATE (7-5, 5-1 SBC)

A31 $at South Carolina (22) ---------- L, 24-34
S 7 $at California ---------- L, 13-34
S21 $New Mexico ---------- W, 24-13
S28 at Georgia (8) ---------- L, 10-41
O 5 Texas-El Paso ---------- W, 49-14
O12 *Louisiana-Lafayette (HC) ---------- W, 31-28
O19 *Louisiana-Monroe ---------- W, 34-21
O26 *$at Arkansas State ---------- W, 26-21
N 2 *Middle Tennessee ---------- W, 24-21
N 9 at Utah State ---------- L, 30-32
N16 *at North Texas ---------- L, 27-38
N23 *at Idaho ---------- W, 35-31

NORTH TEXAS (8-5, 6-0 SBC)

A31 $at Texas (3) ---------- L, 0-27
S 7 Nicholls State ---------- W, 23-0
S14 $at Alabama ---------- L, 7-33
S21 at Texas Christian ---------- L, 10-16
S28 at Arizona ---------- L, 9-14
O 5 South Florida ---------- L, 17-24
O19 *at Arkansas State ---------- W, 13-10
O26 *at Louisiana-Lafayette ---------- W, 27-0
N 2 *Louisiana-Monroe (HC) ---------- W, 41-2
N 9 *$Idaho ---------- W, 10-0
N16 *New Mexico State ---------- W, 38-27
N23 *$at Middle Tennessee ---------- W, 30-20
D17 $ vs. Cincinnati ---------- W, 24-19
New Orleans Bowl
= Sun Belt Game
$ = Television Game
(##) = Associated Press Ranking
(HC) = Homecoming Game

2002 SBC OPPONENTS IN BOWL GAMES

17 Sun Belt Conference opponents competed in bowl games in 2002. Teams were 10-7 in their respective bowl games.

Las Vegas Bowl - New Mexico (L, 13-27)
ConAgra Hawaii Bowl - Tulane (W, 36-28)
Independence Bowl - Mississippi (W, 27-23)
Holiday Bowl - Kansas State (W, 34-27)
Music City Bowl - Minnesota (W, 29-14)
Music City Bowl - Arkansas (L, 14-29)
Seattle Bowl - Oregon (L, 17-38)
Humanitarian Bowl - Boise State (W, 34-16)
Sun Bowl - Washington (L, 24-34)
Liberty Bowl - TCU (W, 17-3)
Peach Bowl - Tennessee (L, 3-30)
San Francisco Bowl - Virginia Tech (W, 20-13)
Cotton Bowl - Texas (W, 35-20)
Cotton Bowl - LSU (L, 20-35)
Capital One Bowl - Auburn (W, 13-9)
Rose Bowl - Washington State (L, 14-34)
Sugar Bowl - Georgia (W, 26-13)

2002 SAGARIN RATINGS (STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE)

62. North Texas (77)
81. New Mexico State (97)
103. Middle Tennessee (96)
122. Louisiana-Lafayette (87)
124. Idaho (69)
127. Arkansas State (120)
128. Louisiana-Monroe (71)

TELEVISED GAMES

Aug. 25 - Virginia Tech 63, Arkansas State 7
Aug. 31 - Alabama 39, Middle Tennessee 34
Aug. 31 - South Carolina 34, New Mexico St. 24
Aug. 31 - Texas 27, North Texas 0
Sept. 7 - Tennessee 26, Middle Tennessee 3
Sept. 7 - California 34, New Mexico State 13
Sept. 7 - Minnesota 35, Louisiana-Lafayette 11
Sept. 14 - Illinois 59, Arkansas State 7
Sept. 14 - Alabama 33, North Texas 7
Sept. 21 - New Mexico State 24, New Mexico 13
Sept. 21 - Louisiana-Lafayette 34, UAB 0
Oct. 5 - Montana 38, Idaho 31
Oct. 19 - Middle Tennessee 48, UL Lafayette 35
Oct. 26 - New Mexico St. 26, Arkansas St. 21
Oct. 26 - Idaho 21, Middle Tennessee 18
Nov. 9 - North Texas 10, Idaho 0
Nov. 16 - Middle Tennessee 44, UL Monroe 28
Nov. 23 - North Texas 30, Middle Tennessee 20
Dec. 17 - New Orleans Bowl
North Texas 24, Cincinnati 19