

Pass Breakups

Passes Broken Up, Game: 7; Ralph Brown, RCB, vs. Colorado, Nov. 29, 1996

Passes Broken Up, Season: 17; DeJuan Groce, RCB, 2000

Passes Broken Up, Career: 50; Ralph Brown, RCB, 1996-99

Top 10 Pass Breakup Games

Player, Pos., Opponent, Date	PBU
1. Ralph Brown, RCB, vs. Colorado, Nov. 29, 1996	7
2. Fabian Washington, CB, vs. Kansas, Oct. 2, 2004	6
3. Stanley Jean-Baptiste, CB, at Northwestern, Oct. 20, 2012	5
Zackary Bowman, CB, vs. Michigan, Dec. 28, 2005	5
Kellen Huston, CB, at Pittsburgh, Sept. 18, 2004	5
Erwin Swiney, LCB, at Baylor, Oct. 13, 2001	5
DeJuan Groce, RCB, at Missouri, Sept. 29, 2001	5
DeJuan Groce, RCB, at Iowa State, Oct. 7, 2000	5
Joe Blahak, LCB, vs. Oklahoma State, Oct. 28, 1972	5
10. Marcus Newby, LB, Wisconsin, Oct. 10, 2015	4
Ndamukong Suh, DT, at Virginia Tech, Sept. 19, 2009	4
Daniel Bullocks, SS, vs. Kansas, Oct. 2, 2004	4
Scott Shanley, SLB, at Missouri, Sept. 29, 2001	4
Ralph Brown, RCB, vs. Texas, Dec. 4, 1999	4
Keyuo Craver, LCB, vs. Southern Miss, Sept. 18, 1999	4
Brian Davis, RCB, at Oklahoma St., Oct. 12, 1985	4

Bowl Game

Zackary Bowman, CB, vs. Michigan, Dec. 28, 2005 5
Alamo Bowl

Top 10 Pass Breakup Seasons

Player, Pos., Year	PBU
1. DeJuan Groce, RCB, 2000	17
2. Fabian Washington, CB, 2004	15
Ralph Brown, RCB, 1999	15
4. Zackary Bowman, CB, 2005	14
DeJuan Groce, RCB, 2001	14
Ralph Brown, RCB, 1998	14
7. Josh Mitchell, CB, 2014	13
Prince Amukamara, CB, 2010	13
Fabian Washington, LCB, 2002 (freshman record)	13
Keyuo Craver, LCB, 2001	13
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Erwin Swiney, LCB, 1998	13
Barron Miles, RCB, 1994	13

Top 10 Pass Breakup Careers

Player, Pos., Years	PBU
1. Ralph Brown, RCB, 1996-99	50
2. DeJuan Groce, RCB, 1999-02	41
Keyuo Craver, LCB, 1998-01	41
4. Fabian Washington, LCB, 2002-04	38
Erwin Swiney, LCB, 1997-01	38
6. Cortney Grixby, CB, 2004-07	32
7. Prince Amukamara, CB, 2007-10	27
8. Josh Mitchell, CB, 2011-14	25
9. Daniel Bullocks, SS, 2002-05	22
Stanley Jean-Baptiste, CB, 2011-13	22

Note: Before 2000, pass breakups did not include pass interceptions in the total number of breakups, per NCAA rules. In the 2000 season, interceptions were included in the total. (In addition to his 50 career breakups from 1996 to 1999, Ralph Brown had seven interceptions). In 2001, the rule changed back and pass breakups did not include interceptions, per NCAA rules.

Individual Special Teams Records**Punting Game**

Punts: 18; Paul Dobson, vs. Notre Dame, Nov. 28, 1918

Average (min. 3 punts): 57.6; Dan Hadenfeldt,

vs. Colorado, Nov. 26, 1999 (7 punts, 403 yards)

Long Nebraska Punt: 87; Mike Stigge, vs. Oklahoma St., Oct. 10, 1992

Top 10 Longest Punts

Punter, Opponent, Date	Yards
1. Mike Stigge, vs. Oklahoma St., Oct. 10, 1992	87
2. Sam Koch, vs. Pittsburgh, Sept. 17, 2005	84
3. Kyle Larson, at Texas, Nov. 1, 2003	80
4. Alex Henery, at Virginia Tech, Sept. 19, 2009	76
Sam Koch, vs. Wake Forest, Sept. 10, 2005	76
6. Jesse Kosch, vs. Arizona St., Sept. 16, 1995	74
7. Dan Hadenfeldt, vs. California, Nov. 26, 1999	73
Darin Erstad, at Oklahoma, Nov. 25, 1994	73
9. Kyle Larson, vs. Troy St., Oct. 4, 2003	71
Kyle Larson, vs. Utah St., Sept. 7, 2002	71

Bowl Game Record

Sam Foltz, vs. USC, Dec. 27, 2014 64
Holiday Bowl

Punting Season

Punts: 77; Alex Henery, 2009 (41.39 avg.)

Average (min. 30 punts): 46.51; Sam Koch, 2005 (3,302 yards, 71 punts)

Top 10 Seasons, Punting Average

Punter, Year (Yards, Punts)	Avg.
1. Sam Koch, 2005 (3,302 yards, 71 punts)	46.51
2. Kyle Larson, 2003 (2,978 yards, 66 punts)	45.12
3. Dan Hadenfeldt, 1999 (2,924 yards, 65 punts)	44.98
4. Bill Lafleur, 1998 (2,337 yards, 52 punts)	44.94
5. Jesse Kosch, 1996 (1,967 yards, 44 punts)	44.70
6. Brett Maher, 2011 (2,626, 59 punts)	44.51
7. Sam Foltz, 2015 (2,477, 56 punts)	44.23
8. Dan Hadenfeldt, 2000 (1,708 yards, 39 punts)	43.79
9. Grant Campbell, 1981 (1,821 yards, 42 punts)	43.36
10. Kyle Larson, 2002 (3,156 yards, 73 punts)	43.23

Punting Career

Punts: 195; Kyle Larson, 2001-02-03 (43.67 avg.)

Average (min. 100 punts): 44.54; Dan Hadenfeldt, 1997-00 (4,632 yards, 104 punts)

Top 10 Careers, Punting Average

Punter, Year (Yards, Punts)	Avg.
1. Dan Hadenfeldt, 1997-00 (4,632 yards, 104 punts)	44.54
2. Sam Koch, 2002-05 (5,902 yards, 134 punts)	44.04
3. Kyle Larson, 2001-03 (8,515 yards, 195 punts)	43.67
4. Brett Maher, 2011-12 (5,178 yards, 120 punts)	43.15
5. Sam Foltz, 2013-15 (8,090 yards, 190 punts)	42.58
6. Alex Henery, 2007-10 (6,201 yards, 147 punts)	42.18
7. Jesse Kosch, 1994-97 (4,234 yards, 101 punts)	41.92
8. Mike Stigge, 1989-92 (6,973 yards, 167 punts)	41.75
9. Scott Livingston, 1982-84 (3,406 yards, 83 punts)	41.04
10. Grant Campbell, 1980-82 (3,157 yards, 77 punts)	41.00

Punt Return Game

Returns: 9; Dana Stephenson, CB/P, at TCU, Oct. 25, 1967 (68 yards)

Yards: 170; Johnny Rodgers, WB, at Oklahoma State, Oct. 23, 1971 (7 ret.)

Yards Per Return (min. 3 ret.): 44.67; De Mornay Pierson-EI, WR, at Iowa, Nov. 28, 2014 (3 returns, 134 yards)

Touchdowns: 2; DeJuan Groce, RCB, vs. Troy St., Aug. 31, 2002 (83 and 72 yards)

Long Nebraska Punt Return: 95 (TD); Eric Hagg, DB, vs. Texas, Oct. 16, 2010

Long Nebraska Punt Return, No TD: 68; Corey Dixon, SE, at Colorado, Oct. 30, 1993

Top 10 Longest Punt Returns

Player, Opponent, Date	Yards
1. Eric Hagg, DB, vs. Texas, Oct. 16, 2010 (TD)	95
2. Bobby Newcombe, WB, vs. Missouri, Sept. 30, 2000 (TD)	94
3. Johnny Rodgers, WB, at Oklahoma St., Oct. 23, 1971 (TD)	92
4. DeJuan Groce, CB, vs. Missouri, Oct. 12, 2002 (TD)	89
5. Nate Swift, WR, vs. Virginia Tech, Sept. 27, 2008 (TD)	88
6. Dave Butterfield, CB, vs. TCU, Sept. 25, 1976 (TD)	87
7. De'Mornay Pierson-El, WR, at Fresno St., Sept. 13, 2014 (TD)	86
8. Pat Fischer, HB, vs. Oklahoma St., Nov. 12, 1960 (TD)	84
9. DeJuan Groce, CB, vs. Troy St., Aug. 31, 2002 (TD)	83
10. Irving Fryar, WR, at Hawaii, Dec. 4, 1982 (TD)	82
Ron Clark, HB, at Penn St., Oct. 15, 1949 (TD)	82
Don Bloom, HB, vs. Kansas St., Nov. 6, 1948 (TD)	82

Bowl Game Record

Johnny Rodgers, WB, vs. Alabama, Jan. 1, 1972 (TD)	77
Orange Bowl	

Other Bowl Game Punt Return Touchdowns

DeJuan Groce, CB, vs. Miami, Jan. 3, 2002 (TD)	71
Rose Bowl	
DeJuan Groce, CB, vs. Mississippi, Dec. 27, 2002 (TD)	60
Independence Bowl	
Dana Brinson, WB, vs. Florida St., Jan. 1, 1988 (TD)	52
Fiesta Bowl	

Punt Return Season

Returns: 43; DeJuan Groce, CB, 2002 (732 yards)

Yards: 732; DeJuan Groce, CB, 2002 (43 ret.)

Yards Per Return (min. 10 ret.): 20.33; Bobby Newcombe, WB, 1997 (12 returns, 244 yards)

Touchdowns: 4; DeJuan Groce, CB, 2002

Top 10 Season Punt Return Yards

Player, Opponent, Year	Yards
1. DeJuan Groce, RCB, 2002 (43 ret.)	732
2. Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1972 (39 ret.)	618
3. De'Mornay Pierson-El, WR, 2014 (34 ret.)	596
4. Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1971 (33 ret.)	548
5. DeJuan Groce, RCB, 2001 (33 ret.)	469
6. Larry Wachholtz, S, 1965 (31 ret.)	452
7. Niles Paul, WR, 2009 (38 ret.)	407
8. Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970 (26 ret.)	349
9. Cortney Grixby, CB, 2005 (32 ret.)	333
10. Dana Brinson, WB, 1986 (27 ret.)	330

Note: Johnny Rodgers (1971) and Joe Walker (1998) are the only Huskers to return a punt and kickoff for a touchdown in the same season. In 1971, Rodgers had a 98-yard kickoff return against Texas A&M and three punt returns for touchdowns (92 at Oklahoma State, 62 vs. Iowa State, 72 vs. Oklahoma). In 1998, Walker tied an NCAA record by returning a punt, a kickoff and an interception for touchdowns in the same season. Walker opened the year with a 99-yard kickoff return touchdown against Louisiana Tech, before adding a 73-yard punt return for a touchdown against Oklahoma State and a 65-yard interception return for a touchdown at Iowa State.

Punt Return Career

Returns: 98; Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72 (1,515 yards)

Yards: 1,515; Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72 (98 ret.)

Yards Per Return: 18.33; Pat Fischer, HB, 1958-60 (30 ret., 550 yards)

Touchdowns: 7; Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72

Top 10 Career Punt Return Yards

Player, Opponent, Years	Yards
1. Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72 (98 ret.)	1,515
2. DeJuan Groce, CB, 1999-02 (78 ret.)	1,218
3. Bobby Newcombe, WB, 1997-00 (48 ret.)	829
4. Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1989-92 (65 ret.)	817
5. De'Mornay Pierson-El, WR, 2014-present (61 ret.)	812
6. Larry Wachholtz, S, 1964-66 (62 ret.)	788
7. Dana Brinson, WB, 1985-88 (77 ret.)	767
8. Irving Fryar, WB, 1981-83 (60 ret.)	708
9. Jeff Smith, IB, 1981-84 (44 ret.)	665
10. Joe Walker, ROV, 1997-00 (78 ret.)	653

Kick Return Game

Returns: 7; Ameer Abdullah, IB, at Wisconsin, Oct. 1, 2011 (187 yards); Josh Davis, IB, at Kansas St.,

Nov. 16, 2002 (186 yards); Joe Walker, ROV, at Missouri, Nov. 8, 1997 (185 yards); Cortney Grixby, CB, vs. Oklahoma St., Oct. 13, 2007 (161 yards);

Grixby, CB, at Colorado, Nov. 23, 2007 (107 yards);

Niles Paul, WR, at Oklahoma, Nov. 1, 2008 (145 yards)

Yards: 211; Ameer Abdullah, IB, vs. Fresno St.,

Sept. 10, 2011 (5 returns)

Yards Per Return (min. 3 ret.): 51.0; Tyrone Hughes, WB,

at Kansas St., Oct. 6, 1990 (3 ret., 153 yards)

Touchdowns: 1; by several players, most recently

Kenny Bell, WR, at Penn State, Nov. 23, 2013 (99 yards)

Long Nebraska Kickoff Return: 105 (TD); Owen Frank, B,

vs. Kansas St., Oct. 14, 1911; Modern record: 100 (TD);

Ameer Abdullah, IB, vs. Fresno St., Sept. 10, 2011;

Niles Paul, WR, at Oklahoma State, Oct. 23, 2010;

Ron Clark, HB, at Kansas State, Oct. 8, 1949

Top 10 Longest Kickoff Returns

Player, Opponent, Date	Yards
1. Owen Frank, B, vs. Kansas St., Oct. 14, 1911	105
2. Ameer Abdullah, IB, vs. Fresno St., Sept. 10, 2011	100
Niles Paul, WR, at Oklahoma St., Oct. 23, 2010	100
Ron Clark, HB, at Kansas St., Oct. 8, 1949	100
5. Kenny Bell, WR, at Penn State, Nov. 23, 2013	99
Joe Walker, ROV, vs. Louisiana Tech, Aug. 29, 1998	99
Tyrone Hughes, WB, at Kansas St., Oct. 6, 1990	99
8. Keith Jones, IB, vs. Kansas, Nov. 16, 1985	98
Johnny Rodgers, WB, vs. Texas A&M, Sept. 25, 1971	98
10. Cortney Grixby, CB, vs. Kansas State, Nov. 10, 2007	94

Bowl Game Record

Willie Ross, HB, vs. Miami, Dec. 15, 1962,	92
Gotham Bowl	

Kick Return Season

Returns: 45; Cortney Grixby, CB, 2007 (1,094 yards)

Yards: 1,094; Cortney Grixby, CB, 2007 (45 ret.)

Yards Per Return (min. 5 ret.): 33.71; Pat Fischer, HB, 1958 (7 ret., 236 yards)

Touchdowns: 1; by several players, most recently Kenny Bell, WR, 2013

Top 10 Season Kickoff Return Yards

Player, Opponent, Year	Yards
1. Cortney Grixby, CB, 2007 (45 ret.)	1,094
2. Josh Davis, IB, 2002 (42 ret.)	994
3. Niles Paul, WR, 2008 (41 ret.)	969
4. Ameer Abdullah, IB, 2011 (26 ret.)	763
5. Josh Davis, IB, 2001 (25 ret.)	675
6. Kenny Bell, WR, 2013 (23 ret.)	609
7. Josh Davis, IB, 2003 (23 ret.)	596
8. Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1990 (18 ret.)	523
9. Dana Brinson, WB, 1988 (23 ret.)	510
10. Tre Bryant, IB, 2016 (23 ret.)	508

Kick Return Career

Returns: 92; Josh Davis, IB, 2000-03 (2,265 yards)

Yards: 2,265; Josh Davis, IB, 2000-03 (92 ret.)

Yards Per Return (min. 10 ret.): 28.29; Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1989-92 (51 ret., 1,443 yards)

Touchdowns: 2; Niles Paul, WR, 2007-10

Top 10 Career Kickoff Return Yards

Player, Opponent, Years	Yards
1. Josh Davis, IB, 2000-03 (92 ret.)	2,265
2. Niles Paul, WR, 2007-10 (77 ret.)	1,887
3. Ameer Abdullah, IB, 2011-14 (61 ret.)	1,592
4. Tyrone Hughes, WB, 1989-92 (51 ret.)	1,443
5. Kenny Bell, WR, 2011-14 (51 ret.)	1,277
6. Joe Walker, ROV, 1997-00 (53 ret.)	1,159
7. Dana Brinson, WB, 1985-88 (51 ret.)	1,154
8. Cortney Grixby, CB, 2004-07 (45 ret.)	1,094
9. Johnny Rodgers, WB, 1970-72 (35 ret.)	847
10. Frank Solich, FB, 1963-65 (35 ret.)	818