


Breaking Down the Jayhawks

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Kansas enters today's game with a 6-3 record following a 52-21 win over Kansas State at home last Saturday. The Jayhawks are tied for the Big 12 North Division lead with a 3-2 record. KU is 1-2 on the road this season, losing at nationally ranked South Florida and Oklahoma. The Jayhawks' lone road victory came in a thrilling, 35-33, come-from-behind victory at Iowa State on Oct. 11.

Kansas Facts

Location: Lawrence, Kan.
Nickname: Jayhawks
Enrollment: 29,613
Colors: Crimson and Blue
Conference: Big 12
Stadium: Kivisto Field
Series Record: Nebraska leads, 88-23-3
Head Coach: Mark Mangino
Record at Kansas: 43-39 (seven years)
Career Record: 43-39 (seven years)

Kansas features a potent offense averaging more than 34 points per game. Quarterback Todd Reesing paces the attack by completing 68.4 percent of his passes and throwing for more than 293 yards per game.

The KU defense is allowing 26.3 points per game. The Jayhawks have picked off 12 passes this season, including three last week against K-State.

Series History

Nebraska and Kansas meet for the 115th time this afternoon and for the 103rd consecutive season, dating back to 1906. The 103 consecutive meetings is an NCAA record, while the 115 meetings marks the third-longest series in NCAA Bowl Subdivision history, trailing only Minnesota-Wisconsin (117) and KU-Missouri (116). Highlights of the series include:

- **1906 (KU 8-6):** Kansas' 8-6 victory in Lincoln in 1906 marked the first of an ongoing NCAA-record 103 consecutive meetings between the programs. It was also the Jayhawks' 100th all-time victory.
- **1923 (Tie, 0-0):** One of 15 scoreless ties in Nebraska history, the 1923 contest was the dedication game for NU's Memorial Stadium.
- **1969 (NU, 21-17):** The Huskers' 21-17 victory in Lincoln snapped a two-game losing streak to the Jayhawks and marked the first of 36 consecutive Nebraska victories in the series.
- **1993 (NU 21-20):** Kansas missed a late two-point conversion try, as No. 6 Nebraska held on for a one-point victory in Lawrence in the 100th meeting in series history. The contest also marked the Huskers' 1,000th game.
- **2005 (KU 40-15):** Kansas snapped NU's 36-game win streak with a resounding 40-15 victory in Lawrence. The win was the Jayhawks' first in the series since 1968.

Kansas Head Coach Mark Mangino

Mark Mangino is in his seventh season as the Jayhawks' head coach after leading Kansas to a 12-1 record, an Orange Bowl championship and a No. 7 final ranking in 2007. A 1987 graduate of Youngstown State, Mangino spent eight years as an assistant coach at Kansas State and three years at Oklahoma before Kansas gave him his first head coaching job in 2002.

Mangino was a consensus pick for Big 12 Coach-of-the-Year honors in 2007, while he also earned national coach-of-the-year recognition from 10 different services, including the Associated Press and the American Football Coaches Association. After suffering through three straight losing seasons to open his KU career, Mangino has guided the Jayhawks to a 31-15 record since 2005.

Jayhawks Look for Rare Win in Memorial Stadium

Today marks the 43rd all-time meeting between Kansas and Nebraska at Memorial Stadium, with the Huskers owning a decisive 33-7-2 edge. The Jayhawks have not won in Lincoln since a 23-13 win on Oct. 12, 1968. Overall, KU has lost 19 consecutive games inside Memorial Stadium.

The Jayhawks' 19-game losing streak in Lincoln is the longest of any Big 12 program. Despite the streak, Kansas has played Nebraska tough in its last two trips to Memorial Stadium. Nebraska won a defensive struggle 14-8 in 2004, and the Huskers emerged victorious in 2006, winning 39-32 in overtime.



Nebraska Cornhuskers
(5-4 Overall, 2-3 Big 12)



Kansas Jayhawks
(6-3 Overall, 3-2 Big 12)

Statistical Comparison

Category (per game)	NU	Kansas	Big 12	Big 12	Natl.	Natl.
Rushing Offense	155.2	146.6	6th	7th	54th	61st
Passing Offense	287.8	299.0	7th	5th	14th	10th
Total Offense	443.0	445.6	7th	6th	20th	18th
Scoring Offense	32.6	34.4	8th	7th	31st	24th
Rushing Defense	143.4	110.8	7th	3rd	67th	30th
Pass Defense	231.9	270.6	3rd	9th	84th	110th
Pass Efficiency Defense	137.98	121.83	11th	4th	96th	55th
Total Defense	375.3	381.3	6th	7th	76th	82nd
Scoring Defense	28.4	26.3	8th	6th	80th	68th
Net Punting	32.6	34.1	9th	7th	98th	77th
Punt Returns	14.5	12.7	2nd	3rd	17th	23rd
Kickoff Returns	22.6	15.8	8th	12th	37th	119th
Turnover Margin	-1.0	0.1	11th	8th	103rd	57th
Sacks	1.8	2.2	7th	5th	62nd	37th
Tackles For Loss	5.33	6.0	9th	4th	77th	47th
Sacks Allowed	1.6	1.9	6th	8th	42nd	t-63rd

Kansas Statistical Leaders

Rushing	G	Att.	Yards	YPC	TD	Avg./G
Jake Sharp, RB	9	122	647	5.3	9	71.9
Angus Quigley, RB	9	54	281	5.2	3	31.2
Jocques Crawford, RB	9	55	190	3.5	4	21.1
Todd Reesing, QB	9	81	168	2.1	3	18.7

Passing	Att.	Comp.	Pct.	Int.	Yards	TD
Todd Reesing, QB	9	225	32.9	9	2,638	20
Kerry Meier, QB/WR	9	2	2	0	42	0
Tyler Lawrence, QB	3	1	2	0	11	0

Receiving	G	No.	Yards	Avg.	Avg./G	TD
Kerry Meier, QB/WR	9	66	742	11.2	82.4	4
Dezmon Briscoe, WR	9	54	800	14.8	88.9	10
Jonathan Wilson, WR	9	27	392	14.5	43.6	2
Jake Sharp, RB	9	18	237	13.2	26.3	1
Angus Quigley, RB	9	17	82	4.8	9.1	1

Tackles	G	UT	AT	TT	TFL	Sacks
James Holt, LB	9	38	33	71	11.0	4.0
Darrel Stuckey, S	9	37	31	68	4.0	0.0
Mike Rivera, LB	9	26	31	57	4.5	1.0
Joe Mortensen, LB	9	18	37	55	5.5	2.0
Justin Thornton, S	9	32	20	52	1.0	0.0

Field Goals	Att.	Made	Pct.	Blkd.	Long
Alonso Rojas, P	2	2	100	0	47
Jacob Branstetter, PK	8	11	72.7	1	33

Punts	No.	Yards	Avg.	Blkd.	Long
Alonso Rojas, P	37	1,536	41.5	0	77