

**WEEK SIX  
NORTH TEXAS AT UTEP**

EL PASO, Texas -- Nick Smith sprinted 20 yards to score in the fourth quarter to give North Texas just enough cushion to hold off UTEP 27-24 on Saturday night.

Smith's touchdown gave the Mean Green a 27-17 lead with 5:46 left to play. The Miners responded two plays later when Ryan Metz, in his first start for UTEP, hit Keynan Foster in stride for a 67-yard scoring strike to trail 27-24.

UTEP, which has lost 18 consecutive games, got the ball back with 2:45 remaining but the Mean Green defense stiffened when Bryce English and E.J. Ejiya sacked Metz, making it fourth-and-17 on UTEP's 24. The Miners went for it, but Metz's pass fell incomplete.

Mason Fine threw for 294 yards and two scores as North Texas (5-1,1-1 Conference USA) bounced back after losing 29-27 to Louisiana Tech last week. Rico Bussey Jr. hauled in eight passes for 117 yards and a score and Jaelon Darden caught five for 91 yards and a TD.

Metz threw for 313 yards and two touchdowns with two interceptions for the Miners (0-6, 0-2). Warren Redix caught seven passes for 131 yards.

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UNT	7	3	10	7	27
UTEP	3	7	0	14	24

**Scoring Summary -----**

	UNT	UTEP
<b>FIRST QUARTER</b>		
UTEP FG 12:05		
Jason Filley 37 Yd Field Goal	0	3
9 plays, 55 yards, 2:55		
UNT TD 1:41		
Jaelon Darden 18 Yd pass from Mason Fine (Cole Hedlund Kick)	7	3
7 plays, 69 yards, 3:28		
<b>SECOND QUARTER</b>		
UTEP TD 12:54		
Quardraiz Wadley 29 Yd pass from Ryan Metz (Jason Filley Kick)	8	10
8 plays, 82 yards, 3:42	7	
UNT FG 3:12		
Cole Hedlund 52 Yd Field Goal	10	10
7 plays, 23 yards, 2:43		
<b>THIRD QUARTER</b>		
UNT FG 7:51		
Cole Hedlund 29 Yd Field Goal	13	10
13 plays, 63 yards, 7:09		
UNT TD 0:55		
Rico Bussey Jr. 11 Yd pass from Mason Fine (Cole Hedlund Kick)	20	10
5 plays, 65 yards, 2:32		
<b>FOURTH QUARTER</b>		
UTEP TD 10:43		
Ryan Metz 1 Yd Run (Jason Filley Kick)	20	17
12 plays, 90 yards, 5:08		
UNT TD 5:46		
Nic Smith 20 Yd Run (Cole Hedlund Kick)	9	17
9 plays, 75 yards, 4:57	27	
UTEP TD 5:05		
Keynan Foster 67 Yd pass from Ryan Metz (Jason Filley Kick)	27	24
2 plays, 75 yards, 0:41		

Team Stats	UNT	UTEP
First Downs	21	19
Total Yards	428	417
Total Plays	69	61
Avg Gain Per Play	6.2	6.8
Net Yards Rushing	134	104
Rushes	35	28
Yards Per Rush	3.8	3.7
Net Yards Passing	294	313
Comp-Att	23-34	16-33
Yards Per Pass	8.6	9.5
Times Sacked	0	2
Yds Lost To Sacks	0	-13
Interceptions	0	2
Punts	4	3
Punt Average	0.0	0.0
Penalties	3	4
Penalty Yards	40	26
Fumbles	1	0
Fumbles Lost	0	0
Possession	33:19	26:41

**Individual Stats**

**RUSHING**

UNT	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
DeAndre Torrey	19	70	3.7	0	25
Nic Smith	13	64	4.9	1	20
Evan Johnson	1	6	6.0	0	6
Team	1	-2	-2.0	0	0
Mason Fine	1	-4	-4.0	0	0
UTEP	Rush	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Quardraiz Wadley	11	65	5.9	0	20
Ryan Metz	10	37	3.7	1	23
Keynan Foster	1	5	5.0	0	5
Treyvon Hughes	6	-3	-0.5	0	1

**PASSING**

UNT	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Mason Fine	23	34	294	8.6	2	0	82.4
UTEP	Comp	Att	Yds	Y/A	TD	Int	QBRat
Ryan Metz	16	33	313	9.5	2	2	56.4

**RECEIVING**

UNT	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Rico Bussey Jr.	8	117	14.6	1	38
Jaelon Darden	5	91	18.2	1	46
Cudjoe Young	2	27	13.5	0	23
Kelvin Smith	3	23	7.7	0	11
Michael Lawrence	1	18	18.0	0	18
Jalen Guyton	1	13	13.0	0	13
Keegan Brewer	1	4	4.0	0	4
Evan Johnson	1	1	1.0	0	1
DeAndre Torrey	1	0	0.0	0	0
UTEP	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Long
Warren Redix	7	131	18.7	0	42
Keynan Foster	2	76	38.0	1	67
Winston Dimel	2	47	23.5	0	33
Quardraiz Wadley	2	32	16.0	1	29
David Lucero	1	14	14.0	0	14
Terry Juniel	1	7	7.0	0	7
Tre'Shon Wolf	1	6	6.0	0	6