

NORTHERN COLORADO BEARS

HC: SCOTT DOWNING (3-31) • GREELEY, CO
OFFENSE - LAST 5 YEARS STATS - DEFENSE

RET STS	OFF PTS	TTL OFF	OFF RUSH	OFF YPC	OFF PASS	PASS %	TOTAL TURN	RECORD	RET STS	DEF PTS	TTL DEF	DEF RUSH	DEF YPC	DEF PASS	PASS %
7	20.5	363	118	3.6	245	56.5	+1	2008 1-10	7	29.6	397	132	3.7	265	61.7
5*	11.3	276	102	2.9	174	55.6	+2	2007 1-11	6	34.6	491	209	5.2	281	66.1
6	11.7	279	122	3.3	158	55.6	-6	2006 1-10	8	33.9	428	184	5.1	244	62.3
9	23.2	343	136	3.5	207	52.8	-9	2005 4-7	5	25.9	382	180	4.3	202	59.1
5	16.9	327	103	2.9	224	49.2	+6	2004 2-9	6	26.7	373	133	3.8	240	57.7

OFFENSE - The Bears ret'd 7 off starters and added an FBS transfer LY. They improved their off numbers and moved up 1 spot to #8 in total offense but again finished last in scoring. This year they return 6 off starters. NC had to replace their '07 starting QB who threw for 1,450 (58.3%). They added Florida transfer QB Byran Waggener (PS#41JC), who won the starting job. Waggener threw for 2,546 (56.2%) with a 14-15 ratio and was the #3 rusher (170, 1.8). This year Waggener returns along with his backup QB Dylan Orms (PS#127), who played in 3 gms. NC ret'd their top 2 rushers LY in former JC RB's David Woods, who led in '07 with 715 (4.0) and Tyrone Wilson with 302 (3.1). Wilson started 7 of the L/8 and finished with 375 (4.3). Woods only started the L/3 but led with 450 (4.1). This year they must replace Woods and RB Andy Muns (129, 5.2). NC returns 4 of their top 6 rushers but Wilson is the only RB among them. LY NC had to replace their top WR, who led with 460 (11.2) but ret'd 5 of their top 7 rec led by 1st Tm BSC TE Ryan Chesla (444, 12.0). The Bears increased their passing off by 71 ypg and moved up from #9 to #5 in pass offense. This year NC must replace 3 of their top 5 rec in starting WR's Corey Fauver (435, 11.8) and Jason Caprioli (296, 8.5) along with 1st Tm BSC TE Chesla (488, 13.2). They do return their top WR Alex Thompson (511, 13.4) and Brandon Smith (500, 13.9), who was the #2 WR despite not starting until gm 7. The OL ret'd 4 starters LY and saw their rush numbers increase as the ypc went from 2.9 to a 5-yr high of 3.6 but did allow 1 more sack (30, 7.3%). This year they return 4 OL who combined for 33 starts LY but must replace two 11 gm starters including 4-yr starting OG Jacob Thornbrue.

DEFENSE - The Bears defense ret'd 7 starters and 10 of their top 11 tklr LY and saw their Def numbers improve across the board moving up 3 spots to #6 in total defense. This year the D returns 7 and while they return 10 of their top

15 tklr all 5 losses were in the top 9. The DL had to replace 3 starters LY and their 1 returning starter, DE John Eddy played in just 1 gm. Five of the 6 DL who earned starts LY were underclassmen including 3 frosh (2 true) and they surprisingly allowed 77 ypg less rushing (5.2 ypc to 3.7) and had 9 more sacks (23). This year they return all 5 of those underclassmen and also get Eddy back. The LB unit ret'd 3 players who had a comb 30 starts in '07 led by 2nd Tm BSC MLB Cristian Sarmento, who led with 131 tkl in '07 and added JC Logan Zabel. This year the unit loses its top 3 tkl'rs in 1st Tm BSC MLB Sarmento (#1) who led with 10 sk, WLB's Trey Keene (#5) and Joe Kenney (#7). They do return SLB Logan Zabel (11 st, #8 tkl, 4.5 tfl). The secondary had to replace the team's #3 tklr, but ret'd 5 who combined for 36 starts in '07. They moved up from #8 to #6 in pass defense allowing a 20-11 ratio. This year they must replace starting CB Myles Haynes (#4 tkl, 3 int). They return 3 starters in FS Max Hewitt (#2 tkl, 6.5 tfl, 3 int), Rov Stephen Michon (#3 tklr) and CB Quincy Wofford (34 tkl, 3 int) and add a JC.

SPECIAL TEAMS - NC only had to replace their P LY. This year they return all their top players including K Michael York who hit 13 of 17 FG (L/38) and top KR Quincy Wofford who avg 24.7 and had a 100 yd TD ret.

COACHES - HC Scott Downing has had just 1 win in each of his first 3 seasons. OC Dennis Darnell returns for his 3rd ssn, while DC Cody Deti returns for his 4th.

FORECAST - The Bears have had 5 straight losing seasons and since joining the Big Sky in '06 have gone just 2-22 in conf play. While they lost 10 gms LY, 4 were by 4 pts or less and 1 was by 7. NC starts this year with an FBS opp, which will extend their losing streak to 7 straight games. They return 13 starters but lose both of their 1st Tm BSC players and their leading rusher. They do host the 2 teams who finished just above them in the standings and should at least be able to break the 2 win barrier.

FINISHING GOOD

Sep. 5	at Kansas
Sep. 12	San Diego
Sep. 19	at E Washington
Sep. 26	Montana St
Oct. 3	at N Arizona
Oct. 10	Portland St
Oct. 17	at Idaho St
Oct. 24	Weber St
Oct. 31	S Dakota
Nov. 7	Sacramento St
Nov. 14	at Montana
Nov. 21	

Last 10 FCS Playoff Games

YEAR	GAME	OPPONENT	SCORE
		NONE	



RETURNING STARTERS:

OFFENSE: 6*

DEFENSE: 7

2006 RESULTS (1-10)

OPPONENT	SCORE
UC Davis	7-38
at Portland State	3-45
at Texas State	14-13
Western Illinois	28-42
at Weber State	21-26
Idaho State	13-41
Eastern Washington	0-34
at Sacramento St	9-14
at Montana St	10-13
Montana	21-53
Northern Arizona	3-54

2007 RESULTS (1-11)

OPPONENT	SCORE
at Hawaii	6-63
Chadron St	0-31
at San Diego	13-49
at Northern Arizona	14-34
at Cal Poly	21-56
at Idaho St	14-26
Weber St	0-23
at Montana	7-52
at Montana St	16-13
at Eastern Washington	7-17
Sacramento St	17-20
Portland St	21-31

2008 RESULTS (1-10)

OPPONENT	SCORE
at Purdue	10-42
Texas St	35-38
Northern Arizona	22-25
at UC Davis	30-34
Idaho St	29-9
at Weber St	10-17
Montana	20-41
at Montana St	7-20
Eastern Washington	16-31
at Sacramento St	25-45
at Portland St	21-24

2008 STATISTICAL LEADERS

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SCK	TFL	PBU	INT
David Woods	110	471	21	450	5	4.1	Cristian Sarmento	142	10	5	4	0
Tyrone Wilson	87	397	22	375	1	4.3	Max Hewitt	79	0.5	6	3	3
Bryan Waggener	96	387	217	170	2	1.8	Stephen Michon	57	0	2.5	3	1
Andy Muns	25	131	2	129	0	5.2	Myles Hayes	48	0.5	2.5	4	3
Brandon Smith	13	130	10	120	1	9.2	Trey Keene	45	0	1.0	0	0
Dylan Orms	12	92	7	85	1	7.1	Matt King	44	1	1	0	0
Chad Cary	6	19	0	19	0	3.2	Joe Kenney	44	0	1.5	0	1
PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	Logan Zabel	38	1	3.5	2	0
Bryan Waggener	397	223	56.2	2546	14	15	Eric Brown	34	1	0	8	0
Dylan Orms	10	8	80.0	150	1	0	Quincy Wofford	34	1	0.5	6	3
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	Dominique Ceja	22	1.5	1	0	0	0
Alex Thompson	38	511	13.4	3	44	Ethan Davis	21	0.5	1.5	2	0	0
Brandon Smith	36	500	13.9	4	75	Martin Awachie	20	1	0	2	0	0
Ryan Chesla	37	488	13.2	2	40	Ryan Lutz	20	0	0	0	0	0
Cory Fauver	37	435	11.8	3	75	Tony Kolone	19	0.5	1.5	0	0	0
Jason Caprioli	35	296	8.5	3	20	Josh Mack	17	0	1	3	0	0
Dominic Gunn	22	233	10.6	0	38	Nick Hernon	16	2	0.5	0	0	0
Andrew Emmerling	6	89	14.8	0	25	Chuks Nweke	15	0	0	1	0	0
David Woods	7	62	8.9	0	23	VJ Holmes	13	0.5	1	0	0	0
Patrick Walker	3	37	12.3	0	24	Thomas Stuemky	9	0	0	0	0	0
Sam Sewell	3	19	6.3	0	9	PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD		
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	in20	Dominic Gunn	5	51	10.2	0		
Cameron Kaman	63	2543	40.4	32.4	20	KICK RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD		
KICKING	XP	40-49	50+	TOTAL	LONG	Eric Brown	14	346	24.7	1		
Michael York	20-20	0-1	0-0	13-17	38	Eric Brown	14	258	18.4	0		

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