

Louisville 4, Mississippi State 3 - Attendance 24,201 - MCWS Total: 216,706; Avg. 21,671 - Time of Game: 3:31

#### Louisville (51-17, 2-1 CWS):

- The Cardinals are making their fifth CWS appearance (2007, 2013, 2014, 2017) and competing in their 13th NCAA Tournament. All four of Louisville's CWS wins have come against SEC opponents (Mississippi State, 2007; Texas A&M, 2017; Auburn, 2019; Mississippi State, 2019).
- Head coach Dan McDonnell has led Louisville to 12 of its 13 NCAA Tournament appearances, including all
  five of its CWS years, and owns a 47-27 mark in the NCAA postseason.
- Louisville improves to 4-9 all-time in CWS games and for the first time in program history, the Cardinals have won multiple games in the CWS in a single year.
- Louisville and Mississippi State met for the third time on the baseball diamond Thursday evening with the
  two programs' second matchup in the CWS. With the win, the Cardinals improve to 2-0 versus the Bulldogs
  in the CWS and 2-1 all-time. Louisville defeated Mississippi State 12-4 on June 17, 2007, in game five of the
  CWS. The Bulldogs were 4-0 victors over the visiting Cardinals in Starkville, Mississippi, during the 1994
  regular season.
- The Cardinals are now 6-2 against SEC teams in 2019 and have faced an SEC opponent in all three of their CWS games this year (L, 3-1 vs. Vanderbilt; W, 5-3 vs. Auburn).
- The walk-off victory was Louisville's fifth of the season, all RBI singles. It was also the Cardinals' fifth win when facing elimination in this year's NCAA Tournament.
- Erasing a 3-0 deficit, Louisville picked up its 19th come-from-behind victory of 2019. The Cardinals overcame a three-run or more deficit for the seventh time of the season. Trailing by three runs in the seventh inning, it was Louisville's largest come-from-behind win after 6.5 innings of play.
- Entering Thursday night's game, the Cardinals were 1-16 when trailing after eight innings this season. Their only other such comeback came on March 24 (vs. Georgia Tech, 5-4).
- The Cardinals improve to 33-3 when holding opponents to three or fewer runs.
- Louisville improves to 15-9 on the season when its opponent scores first.
- Junior left-hander Nick Bennett made his second CWS start, finishing with three strikeouts, giving up four hits and walking two in four innings.
- Bennett has now registered a strikeout in 44 of 45 career appearances and all 40 career starts.
- Senior right-hander Bryan Hoeing has thrown at least one strikeout in all five of his NCAA Tournament
  appearances. He finished just one strikeout shy of his single-game NCAA postseason career high with five
  strikeouts in two and 1/3 innings of relief work.
- Junior shortstop Tyler Fitzgerald was walked twice, marking the fifth time this season he has drawn multiple walks in a single game. He has been issued multiple walks a total of 12 times in his career.
- With his RBI single in the seventh and his walk-off RBI single to right center in the ninth, junior right fielder
  Drew Campbell registered his 11th multi-hit game of the season, his sixth career in the NCAA postseason,
  and collected his second RBI of the 2019 CWS. It was his 11th multi-RBI outing of the season and third of
  the 2019 NCAA Tournament.
- Campbell's ninth-inning RBI single was his first career walk-off hit, while his three hits on the night are tied for the most by a Louisville player in a CWS game.
- Junior second baseman Justin Lavey recorded his ninth RBI of the NCAA Tournament in the seventh on a fielder's choice to second base.
- Freshman left-hander Garrett Schmeltz made his first CWS appearance and just second NCAA Tournament appearance in the seventh, tossing 2/3 innings and facing a pair of batters.
- With his eighth-inning single to right field, sophomore center fielder Lucas Dunn notched his 15th multi-hit game of the season and second of the NCAA Tournament. He owns 17 total multi-hit games in his career.
- Freshman right-hander Jared Poland struck out a career-high four in his first CWS appearance and just second NCAA Tournament appearance. He didn't allow a hit and walked just one in one and 1/3 innings of relief work.
- Sophomore left-hander Reid Detmers made his first relief appearance of the season in the ninth, throwing
  just two pitches and picking off Mississippi State's Jake Mangum. He collected his 13th win of the season
  without being credited with a batter faced and moved into a tie for the national lead in victories with
  Vanderbilt's Drake Fellows.
- Junior designated hitter Danny Oriente extended his team-leading reached base streak to 10 with his gametying RBI single to left center field. Oriente owns a team-best 10 RBI in the NCAA Tournament and scored the game-winning run tonight.



### Mississippi State (52-15, 1-2 CWS):

- Mississippi State is making its 11<sup>th</sup> appearance in the College World Series (1971, 1979, 1981, 1985, 1990, 1997, 1998, 2007, 2013, 2018, 2019) and it marks the second time that the Bulldogs have made it to the CWS in back-to-back years (1997 and 1998)...The loss today moves MSU to 13-22 all-time in the CWS.
- Head Coach Chris Lemonis is making his first appearance in the CWS as a head coach... He appeared at the CWS three times prior as an assistant coach for Louisville (2007, 2013, 2014).
- Tonight, marks the second time Mississippi State has played Louisville in the NCAA Tournament, the last
  meeting coming in the 2007 CWS when Louisville won 12-4... MSU's all-time record against Louisville is 1-2
  (all games) after tonight.
- This was the first time this season that the Bulldogs have lost on a walk-off.
- Mississippi State is the first team since the 2014 Ole Miss Rebels to lose on a walk-off and win a game on a
  walk-off in the CWS... MSU is the first team to be eliminated in walk-off fashion since Miami eliminated
  Arkansas in 2015.
- This is MSU's first loss this season when leading after eight innings... The 47-0 mark was tied for the most wins without a loss in Division I this season.
- The last time MSU won its first game of the CWS and lost its next two was in the 1998 CWS when MSU beat Florida, then lost back-to-back games to LSU and Southern California.
- JT Ginn made his CWS debut... With his two strikeouts tonight, Ginn ranks second in the country among freshman in season strikeouts with a total of 105...Ginn is the first freshman pitcher to throw at least six shutout innings to start a game at the CWS since Oregon State's Kevin Abel threw a nine-inning shutout vs. Arkansas in the title game last year on June 28, 2018...The last time Ginn pitched six scoreless innings in a game was against then ranked No. 21 Southern Miss on Feb. 23, 2019 when he pitched seven consecutive scoreless innings... Ginn recorded 11 ground-ball outs tonight, tying his career-high (March 23, 2019 vs. Auburn).
- Marshall Gilbert has reached base in every CWS game this year for the Bulldogs.
- The Bulldogs are 6-2 when Gunner Halter starts in the 8th spot of the lineup...Halter is batting .500 with two RBIs in the two games he has played in the CWS.
- Rowdey Jordan recorded his 15<sup>th</sup> double of the season, and first double in his two CWS appearances (2018, 2019)...His RBI tonight marks his fourth total in both his CWS appearances.
- Tanner Allen reached base in 21 consecutive games and is on a 14-game hitting streak, which are both career highs...Allen recorded his 50<sup>th</sup> career multi-hit game and 26<sup>th</sup> multi-hit game this season
- With his single in the top of the seventh, Jake Mangum broke Mississippi State's single-season hits record with 108, previously set by Adam Frazier in 2013...He finished with 383 career hits which ranks fourth all-time in NCAA Division I history...Mangum now has nine hits in CWS games, including his four in 2018... This ties him for first all-time at MSU in CWS hits with Rusty Thoms (1997, 1998).
- Jordan Westburg reached base safely in his final 20 games this season.
- The Mississippi State pitching staff finished the season with 718 strikeouts, tied with Florida State (1986) for the second-most in NCAA history. Only Arizona State (732 in 1972) had more.



### 2019 College World Series Notes

### **Taking the Lead Notes:**

- Teams to score in the first inning are 4-0 so far at the 2019 CWS.
- Teams to score first are 7-3 so far at the 2019 CWS.
- There have been three lead changes in the 2019 CWS, two of which didn't come until the final pitch of the game. Mississippi State scored four runs in the ninth inning to walk-of Auburn 5-4 in Game 4, and Texas Tech overcame a 3-0 deficit to beat Arkansas 5-4 in Game 5. Game 5 was the second straight College World Series game where the winner overcame a 3-run deficit to win; the first time since 2008 that back-to-back games in CWS were won by a team that trailed by 3+ runs (Georgia overcame a 3-run deficit in Game 1 of the CWS Finals and Fresno State returned the favor by coming back from 5 runs down to win Game 2). The other comeback came in Game 10 when Louisville overcame a 3-0 deficit to beat Mississippi State, 4-3.
- Mississippi State in Game 4 became the first team to win after facing a 3-run deficit after 8 innings of a CWS game since LSU scored four in the bottom of the ninth inning to beat Rice, 6-5, on June 17, 2008. Teams leading after eight innings have won 132 of the last 137 CWS games (Vanderbilt overcame a 3-1 deficit to defeat Cal State Fullerton 4-3 in 2015/Game 4; TCU scored three runs in the top of the ninth to beat Texas Tech in 2016/Game 3; Oregon State scored three runs in the ninth to beat Arkansas in 2018/CWS Finals Game 2; Mississippi State scored four runs in the ninth to beat Auburn in 2019/Game 4; Louisville scored two runs in the ninth to beat Mississippi State in 2019/Game 10).
- There have been three walk-off wins in the CWS in the past four seasons. Mississippi State has been involved in all three games, winning two and losing one.

#### **Miscellaneous Notes**

- Michigan's Jordan Nwogu led off Game 1 with a single through the left side, marking the third consecutive year the lead-off hitter has reached to start the CWS.
- Last year, Oregon State lost Game 1 of the CWS before rallying to win the 2018 National Championship.
- The SEC tied the CWS record for participants from one conference with four this year: Arkansas, Auburn, Mississippi State and Vanderbilt.
- The conference also sent four teams to Omaha in 2015, 2004 and 1997 ... LSU claimed the National Championship in 1997 and Vanderbilt finished runner-up in 2015, but a team from the SEC did not reach the CWS Finals in 2004 (two semifinalists) ... Of the four years the SEC sent four teams to Omaha, June 15 marked the first time the conference did not record a victory on the opening day of the event.
- During Game 2, Florida State's J.C. Flowers became the third player to score a run and record a save in the same CWS game since 1999 (also: Florida State's Mike McGee vs. Florida, June 21, 2010; Tulane's Michael Aubrey vs. Nebraska, June 10, 2001).
- Game 2's game time of 2:38 was the shortest CWS game length since a game of 2:26 on June 20, 2016 when UCSB beat Miami (Fla.).
- 34 of the last 38 eventual champions won their first CWS game. Only exceptions are Oregon State (2018), South Carolina (2010), Oregon State (2006) and USC (1998).
- Game 7 finished at 1:05 p.m. (CT) on Wednesday after starting at 1:07 p.m. (CT) on Tuesday... First College World Series game that was suspended by weather since Game 4 in 2015 (Vanderbilt came back after suspension to beat CSU Fullerton).
- The losing team in the first 10 games of the 2019 CWS have hit a combined 11-for-75 (.147) with runners in scoring position. Winning teams aren't much better at 19-for-87 (.218).
- The last four teams standing will be from four different conferences (ACC, Big 12, Big Ten, SEC). That hasn't
  happened since 2010, when South Carolina (SEC), UCLA (Pac-12), TCU (Big 12) and Clemson (ACC) were the
  final four teams to play at Rosenblatt Stadium.

## **Attendance Notes:**

- The 10-game total in 2019 is now 216,706 which is 21,287 ahead of last year after 10 games.
- This year's average attendance is 21,671, putting the 2019 CWS on pace to average 20,000 or more fans for a 24th straight year.
- This is the 39th straight year the CWS has attracted 100,000 or more fans and 17th straight year of 200,000 or more
- The Game 3 crowd of 22,704 pushed the 69-year Omaha total of CWS crowds over 10 million to 10,006,028.



### **Official Review Notes:**

• There have been 18 official reviews so far in the 2019 CWS, with only one reversal ... The only overturn came in Game 1 when Michigan's Blake Nelson was initially called out on a pick-off attempt at first base ... Game 10 had two reviews, a safe/out call in the bottom of the seventh inning that was upheld, and a safe/out call in the top of the eighth inning that was also upheld. Last year there were 10 official reviews with only one call overturned (foul/fair call during Game 1 of CWS Finals).

#### **Runs Notes:**

- Michigan scored the first run of the 2019 CWS on a sacrifice fly in the top of the 1<sup>st</sup> inning ... The team to score
  the first run of the CWS has went on to win two of the past four events (Oregon State, 2018 & Virginia, 2015).
- Of the last 85 teams to score five or more runs at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha (TDAPO), 75 of them have won, including a 5-0 mark this year ... Last year, five teams lost when scoring five or more runs.
- Game 2 marked the 25<sup>th</sup> 1-0 game in College World Series history ... Eight of those games have come since the move to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in 2011.
- Before Florida State in Game 6, the last team to win a CWS game via a shutout, then lose its next game by shutout, was Oklahoma in 1975. The Sooners beat Eastern Michigan 7-0 on June 9, then lost 1-0 in 11 innings to Arizona State on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Before the Seminoles, the last team to be part of a shutout in consecutive CWS games is Arizona in 2016 (lost to Oklahoma State 1-0, beat UCSB 3-0).
- This year marks the 30<sup>th</sup> consecutive CWS with at least one game decided by one run, and there have been four different 1-run games so far in 2019 (Games 2, 4, 5 and 10). This is the 19<sup>th</sup> time in the last 20 CWS that there's been three or more 1-run games, with 2018 (1) being the only exception.
- This is the first College World Series where the first seven games were all decided by two or fewer runs. The seven straight games decided by two runs or less matched a CWS record first done in 2002 (Games 2-8).
- There have been 60 total runs scored in the 2019 CWS, an average of 6.0 per game ... The lowest total of runs per game for an entire CWS is 6.14 in 2013 (86 runs in 14 games).
- Of the 62 runs scored at the 2019 CWS, 22 of the runs have been produced via home runs (35.5 percent) ... Last year 33 of the 169 runs scored were via the long ball (19.5 percent).

## **Home Run Notes:**

- Texas Tech's Brian Klein hit the first home run of this year's CWS on a 2-2 pitch in the bottom of the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning of Game 1 ... There have been 15 home runs hit through the first 10 games ... A total of 18 home runs were hit during the 2018 series (second-most since CWS moved to TDAPO; stadium record is 23 during 2017 CWS) ... Since moving to TD Ameritrade Park Omaha in 2011, there have been 105 CWS home runs in 133 games. Michigan's Jesse Franklin hit the 100<sup>th</sup> CWS homer in park history with a first inning blast in Game 6.
- Louisville's Tyler Fitzgerald home run to give Cardinals the lead was the third first-inning home run in this year's College World Series ... That matches 2015 for the most first-inning homers since the CWS moved to TD Ameritrade Park in 2011.
- The Game 3 home run by Vanderbilt's Austin Martin was the first to lead off the bottom of the first inning of a CWS game since Miami (Fla.) star Charlton Jimerson did it on both June 9 (vs. Tennessee) and June 11 (vs. USC) of the 2001 CWS.
- Vanderbilt's Stephen Scott became the 61<sup>th</sup> player to hit multiple home runs in a CWS game, and joined LSU's Michael Papierski vs. Oregon State on June 24, 2017 and teammate Austin Martin vs. Louisville on June 16, 2019 (Game 3) as the only three men to do it in a CWS game at TD Ameritrade Park Omaha, when he launched two during Game 8 against Mississippi State ... Vanderbilt's Scott and Martin are the first teammates with multiple-homer games in the same CWS since Cameron Rupp and Russell Moldenhauer (Texas) in 2009, and first to accomplish the feat in the first two games of a team's appearance since Louisville's Logan Johnson and Chris Dominguez in 2007.
- The 4 combined home runs between Arkansas (1) and Texas Tech (3) in Game 5 tied a TD Ameritrade Park Omaha record, done 5 times previously (Florida vs. Miami on 6/17/15; McNeese St. at Creighton on 5/14/17; LSU vs. Florida St. on 6/21/17; Oregon State vs. LSU on 6/24/17; Oregon St. vs. North Carolina on 6/20/18).
- Josh Jung's (Texas Tech) 6th-inning homer in Game 5 was the 300th home run in this year's NCAA Tournament; this is the first time since the NCAA adopted BBCOR bats in 2011 that there have been that many homers in a single tournament.
- Florida State is the first team to throw a shutout in the CWS, then give up a 1st inning homer in its subsequent game since 1987, when Florida State (and coach Mike Martin) did so. Florida State's Chris Pollack threw a



shutout vs. Arizona State on May 31, 1987. In FSU's next game on June 3rd, Texas' Elanis Westbrooks hit a leadoff homer vs. FSU's Richie Lewis.

### **Pitching Notes:**

- The 2019 CWS is the ninth consecutive season with at least one shutout (no shutouts between 2007-2010 final
  four years at Rosenblatt) ... Last year there were two shutouts (Game 2 & Game 3 of Finals) ... Since the CWS
  moved to TDAPO there have been a total of 19 shutouts.
- Last 5 CWS Complete Game Shutouts: Matt Boyd, Oregon St. vs. Indiana, 6/19/13; Thomas Hatch, Oklahoma St vs. UCSB, 6/18/16; JC Cloney, Arizona vs. Coastal Carolina, 6/27/16; Kevin Abel, Oregon St vs. Arkansas, 6/28/18; Tommy Henry, Michigan vs. Florida State, Game 6 (6/17/19).
- There have been an average of 9.63 strikeouts per 9 innings through the first 10 games ... Teams have recorded a total of 189 strikeouts in 176.2 innings ... There have been 189 strikeouts compared to 152 total hits through Game 10 ... The highest previous strikeouts per 9 innings mark since the CWS moved to TDAPO is 8.55 in 2017 ... In 2017, 2016 and 2014 the CWS ended with more strikeouts than hits (2017: 266 Ks/227 hits; 2016: 262 Ks/251 hits; 2014: 248 Ks/233 hits).