



40 FOOTBALL FACTS & QUESTIONS

1. The Wolverines went without a coach from 1879 until 1891 when Mike Murray and Frank Crawford began coaching.
2. Between 1901 and 1905, Michigan compiled a 56-game unbeaten streak, a string that still ranks second in the NCAA record books. During this stretch of 50 months when the Wolverines compiled a record of 55-0-1, Michigan outscored its opponents, 2,821-40, beating four teams by triple digit margins.
3. Fielding H. Yost was the head coach from 1901-1926.
4. Michigan first played Ohio State on November 30, 1918 at Ohio State. Seven thousand people were in attendance to watch the Wolverines win 14-0.
5. No varsity football games were held in 1882.
6. Michigan leads the NCAA in all-time football wins with 877 wins, Yale follows with 857 wins.
7. Fielding Yost has coached the most seasons for Michigan, how many seasons did he coach for?
 - a) 13
 - b) 21
 - c) 24
 - d) 27
8. Coach Bennie Oosterbaan (1948-1958) had what building named after him?
 - a) Basketball arena
 - b) Hockey Arena
 - c) Fieldhouse
 - d) Library
9. In the first season of Michigan football (1879) the team played 2 games, against Racine and Toronto.
10. At the first Rose Bowl, the playing field was 110 yards long, touchdowns and field goals counted five points and conversions one point, the game was divided into two 35-minute halves, a team had to make five yards in three downs for a first down, and forward passes were not allowed.
11. To open the 1929, 1930, and 1931 seasons, Michigan played double headers in an attempt to generate extra revenue.
12. How many national titles have the Wolverines won?
 - a) Nine
 - b) Eleven
 - c) Thirteen
 - d) Fifteen
13. How many Big Ten Championships have the Wolverines won?
 - a) 37
 - b) 42
 - c) 49
 - d) 54



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14. The all-time record going into the 131st season is 877-302-36
15. The largest crowd at Michigan Stadium was against Ohio State in 2003, with 112,118 fans in attendance.
16. Mike Hart holds the record for the most average yards ran per game with 117.2 yards.
17. Chad Henne holds the record for the most completions in his career with 828.
18. Braylon Edwards holds the record for the most career receptions with 252.
19. "Nature" Magazine estimated that it would take 14,000 woodchucks, working eight hour days, 11 1/2 months to move an amount of dirt equal to the 240,000 square yards that were excavated out of the Michigan Stadium site before the cement was poured.
20. Three Michigan players — Tom Harmon (1940), Desmond Howard (1991) and Charles Woodson (1997) — have won the Heisman Trophy.
21. Of the 20 Rose Bowls that Michigan has played in, what is their record?
 - a) 4-16
 - b) 8-12
 - c) 10-10
 - d) 12-8
22. Which coach has led the Wolverines to the most Big Ten titles?
 - a) Yost
 - b) Oosterbaan
 - c) Schembechler (13)
 - d) Carr
23. In 1950, Al Wistert was the first Michigan player selected to play in the Pro Bowl.
24. Since the NFL's inaugural draft on Feb. 8, 1936, at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Philadelphia, how many Michigan football players have been selected?
 - a) 267
 - b) 314
 - c) 327
 - d) 364
25. How many jerseys has Michigan retired?
 - a) Three
 - b) Five
 - c) Seven
 - d) Nine
26. Who is the only coach in Big Ten history to win the Rose Bowl in his first year?
 - a) Yost
 - b) Oosterbaan
 - c) Schembechler
 - d) Carr
27. Who is the only coach in Division I history to win a national championship his first year?
 - a) Yost
 - b) Oosterbaan
 - c) Schembechler
 - d) Carr
28. Regents Field served as Michigan's first permanent home field. Originally accommodating just 400 fans, temporary bleachers were erected to seat up to 17,000. The Wolverines compiled an 87-2-3 record at Regents Field.



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29. In 1906 the home field of the Wolverines moves to a new site on the land that Dexter Ferry donated the year before. The new field - Ferry Field - is located where the outdoor track now stands.
30. What was the Michigan Most Valuable Player Award renamed?
- The Fieldhouse Yost Award
 - The Bennie Oosterbaan Award
 - The Bo Schembechler Award
 - The Lloyd Carr Award
31. How many former Michigan players have been inducted into the NFL Hall of Fame?
- Three
 - Five
 - Seven
 - Nine
32. On November 3, 1979 Butch Woolfolk ran 92 yards for a touchdown against Wisconsin. The longest in Michigan Football History.
33. Michigan State tops the list of teams shutout the most times by Michigan. With the last time being in 2000, Michigan has shutout Michigan State 29 times. Ohio State comes in second, being shut out 27 times, most recently in 1993.
34. Through the 2009 season, Michigan has won the Paul Bunyan trophy 34 times, MSU 21 with two ties.
35. Michigan Stadium's capacity has ended in 01 since the facility was expanded to seat 101,001 in 1956. The "1" in the capacity is an extra seat in honor of Fritz Crisler, the director of athletics at the time.
36. During the original dedication ceremony of the Michigan Stadium in 1927, two wolverines named Bennie and Biff were brought into the stadium.
37. What coach has the highest winning percentage in Michigan history?
- Schembechler (.850)
 - Carr
 - Crisler
 - Yost
38. What bowl game has Michigan played in the most?
- Sugar Bowl
 - Orange Bowl
 - Citrus Bowl
 - Rose Bowl
39. The Victors' Walk, a tradition that began at the Capital One Bowl in 2008 continues today. Buses take Michigan players, coaches, and support staff from the Campus Inn and drop them off at the Big House's doorstep, where they file into the stadium behind a pair of motorcycle cops wearing winged helmets.
40. The GO BLUE M CLUB SUPPORTS YOU banner has been stolen twice.

ANSWER KEY

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| 7) C | 26) A |
| 8) C | 27) B |
| 12) B | 30) C |
| 13) B | 31) C: (Elroy Hirsch in |
| 21) B | 1968, Bill Hewitt in 1971, |
| 22) C | Len Ford in 1976, Dan |
| 24) D | Dierdorf in 1996, Tom |
| 25) B: (#87 Ron Kramer, #98 | Mack in 1999, George |
| Tom Harmon, #47 Bennie | Allen in 2002, and Benny |
| Oosterbaan, #48 Gerald | Friedman in 2005) |
| Ford, and #11 worn by | 37) A |
| three brothers, Francis, | 38) D |
| Albert, and Alvin Wistert) | |