



# MICHIGAN ST SPARTANS

East Lansing, Michigan  
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MARK DANTONIO (Career 34-27)  
3rd Year at Michigan St  
Bowls: 1-2  
Cincinnati '04-'06

Date	Opponent	Turf	Line	Final Score		W	L
				MSU	Opp		
Sep. 5	Montana St	G					
Sep. 12	Central Michigan	G					
Sep. 19	at Notre Dame	G					
Sep. 26	at Wisconsin	A					
Oct. 3	Michigan	G					
Oct. 10	at Illinois	A					
Oct. 17	Northwestern	G					
Oct. 24	Iowa	G					
Oct. 31	at Minnesota	A					
Nov. 7	Western Michigan	G					
Nov. 14	at Purdue	G					
Nov. 21	Penn St	G					
Nov. 28							
Dec. 5							

**CAREER PASSING LEADERS**  
1. Jeff Smoker 8,932 '00-'03  
2. Drew Stanton 6,524 '03-'06  
3. Brian Hoyer 6,159 '05-'08

**CAREER RUSHING LEADERS**  
1. Lorenzo White 4,887 '84-'87  
2. Javon Ringer 4,398 '05-'08  
3. Tico Duckett 4,212 '89-'92

**CAREER RECEIVING LEADERS**  
1. Andre Rison 2,992 '85-'88  
2. Charles Rogers 2,821 '01-'02  
3. Kirk Gibson 2,347 '75-'78

Michigan St has won 10 straight home openers by an avg of 22 ppg. The Bobcats were 7-5 LY in the Big Sky dropping FBS games to Kansas St (69-10) & Minnesota (35-23).  
The Spartans last faced CM in '04, a 24-7 win. They are 4-2 overall after losing the 1st two in '91 & '92. The Spartans have won 15 straight vs MAC teams.  
The visitor had won 7 straight prior to last year's MSU 23-7 win in East Lansing. MSU is 9-3 in the series & last year held ND to 16 yds rushing while Ringer had 201.  
MSU is 4-8 in this series & the visitor has dropped 4 straight (L/2 by 4 pts total). LY MSU erased an 11 pt 4Q deficit & kicked a 44 yd FG with :07 left for the win.  
LY's 35-21 win snapped a 6 game series losing streak & an 8 gm Ann Arbor losing streak. Ringer had 194 yds rush & White had a career high 143 yds rec.  
The Spartans had a 9 game series win streak snapped in a 23-20 home loss in last meeting ('06). The Spartans have totaled 110 pts in their L/2 visits to Champaign.  
The home team has dropped the last 4 with the visitor scoring 44 ppg.  
The Spartans forced 3 TO's & led 17-0 after the 1Q in last year's 37-20 win.  
The home team has won 9 straight as Michigan St survived LY 16-13. MSU forced 3 TO's including 2 in the RZ & stopped Iowa on 4&1 from the MSU 21 late in the 4Q.  
Michigan St won 17 straight from '77 to '97 but has dropped back-to-back games to the Gophers & is just 2-5 since '98. The teams have avg'd 65 pts the last 4.  
These 2 have met 5 times S/'80 with MSU going 5-0. The last meeting was in 2003 as MSU was up 26-14 before WM scored w/30 left. MSU is as MSU 37-6-2 vs current MAC trms.  
Mich St is only 3-7 vs Purdue but has won B2B games including 21-7 LY. MSU held PU to 191 yds which is MSU's best under Dantonio & Purdue's worst under Tiller.  
The Spartans have failed to win the Land Grant Trophy in 12 of the L/16 attempts. Last year was for the Big Ten Title & Ringer was held to a season-low 42 yds.

**Dantonio AT MICHIGAN ST/OVERALL**  
16-10 / 34-27 SU  
11-3 / 24-7 Home  
5-5 / 9-18 Away  
0-2 / 1-2 Neutral  
9-7 / 20-18 Vs Conf

0-3 / 1-8 Vs Top 10  
0-7 / 2-14 Vs Top 25  
3-3 / 3-9 Vs BCS Tms  
0-3 / 3-6 Off A Bye  
4-4 / 14-10 Off A Loss

**2008 RECORD:**  
**(9-4)**

**RETURNING STARTERS:**  
**OFFENSE: 7**  
**DEFENSE: 8**

**LETTERMEN:**  
**Returning: 45 (18,24,3)**  
**Lost: 15 (7,7,1)**

**2008 AVERAGE ATTENDANCE: 74,858 (#20)**  
**BIG TEN**



**STADIUM: SPARTAN STADIUM (75,005) (#21)**  
**PLAYING SURFACE: GRASS**

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	9Yr Total
<b>Straight Up</b>	5-6	7-5	4-8	8-5	5-7	5-6	4-8	7-6	9-4	54-55
<b>Home</b>	4-2	4-2	3-5	5-2	4-2	3-3	2-5	5-2	6-1	36-24
<b>Away</b>	1-4	2-3	1-3	3-2	1-5	2-3	2-3	2-3	3-2	17-28
<b>Neutral</b>	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0-1	1-3
<b>vs Conf</b>	2-6	3-5	2-6	5-3	4-4	2-6	1-7	3-5	6-2	28-44
<b>vs Non-Conf</b>	3-0	4-0	2-2	3-2	1-3	3-0	3-1	4-1	3-2	26-11



YR	BOWL/TM RANK	LINE	OPPONENT	SCORE	LAST 5 BOWL GAMES
99	Citrus - #9	+2'	Florida - #10	37-34	Michigan St's All-Time Bowl Record 7-12
01	Silicon Valley	+4'	Fresno St - #20	44-35	
03	Alamo	+3	Nebraska - #22	3-17	
07	Champs Sports	+5'	Boston College - #14	21-24	
08	Capital One - #19	+8'	Georgia - #16	12-24	

**2008 STATISTICAL LEADERS**

RUSHING	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
Javon Ringer	390	1743	106	1637	22	4.2	Greg Jones	127	2	12	1	0
Andre Anderson	26	116	19	97	0	3.7	Eric Gordon	85	3	4	3	0
BJ Cunningham	4	56	0	56	0	14.0	Otis Wiley	78	0	2	7	4
Keshawn Martin	9	62	11	51	0	5.7	Dan Fortener	69	0	1	7	2
AJ Jimmerson	8	14	0	14	0	1.8	Adam Decker	56	0	6	2	0
Kirk Cousins	3	6	18	-12	0	-4.0	Ryan Allison	50	0	5	2	0
Brian Hoyer	43	103	197	-94	1	-2.2	Chris Rucker	45	1	3	4	2
PASSING	ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT
Brian Hoyer	353	180	51.0	2404	9	9	Jeremy Ware	39	5.5	1.5	2	0
Kirk Cousins	43	32	74.4	310	2	1	Brandon Denson	31	1.5	0	3	0
Keshawn Martin	3	2	66.7	59	0	0	Marcus Hyde	31	0	0	0	1
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG	PLAYER	TKL	SKS	TFL	PBU	INT	
Mark Dell	36	679	18.9	3	52	Trevor Anderson	30	8	2.5	0	0	
Blair White	43	659	15.3	1	61	Ross Weaver	28	1	1.5	7	1	
BJ Cunningham	41	528	12.9	0	52	Justin Kershaw	28	3	5	0	0	
Charlie Gantt	19	302	15.9	4	82	Kendell Davis-Clark	27	0	0.5	3	1	
Javon Ringer	28	190	6.8	0	17	Johnny Adams	21	0	2	4	2	
Keshawn Martin	11	132	12.0	0	42	Oren Wilson	15	0	1.5	0	0	
Andrew Hawken	11	81	7.4	1	21	Colin Neely	14	0.5	1.5	0	0	
Garrett Celek	6	50	8.3	1	18	Dwayne Holmes	14	0	4.5	1	0	
Jeff McPherson	7	47	6.7	0	13	David Rolf	9	0	0	0	0	
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	INT	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	
Aaron Bates	71	2979	42.0	15	34.4	2	22	Otis Wiley	24	249	10.4	0
KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL	LONG	NO	YDS	AVG	TD	
Brett Swenson	34-34	9-10	6-8	6-7	1-3	22-28	50	16	364	22.8	0	

**OFFENSE - LAST 7 YEARS - DEFENSE**

RET	OFF	TOTAL	OFF	OFF	PASS	%	SKS	TOTAL	RET	DEF	TOTAL	DEF	DEF	PASS	%	DEF	SKS		
STS	PTS	OFF	RUSH	YPC	PASS	YPP	VS	TURN	STS	PTS	DEF	RUSH	YPC	PASS	YPP	BY	BY		
7*	25.1	343	130	3.3	213	53.6	13.7	24	+2	2008	6	22.1	356	142	4.1	213	53.1	16.1	26
6	33.1	417	198	4.4	219	59.0	12.6	30	+2	2007	6	26.6	346	126	3.6	220	58.2	13.0	40
7*	25.2	357	129	4.0	228	59.5	14.2	28	-1	2006	6	28.4	364	133	3.8	231	58.0	12.8	16
8*	33.8	497	202	4.9	295	66.1	14.7	24	-1	2005	5	28.7	410	165	4.6	245	60.6	14.3	16
7	29.4	461	239	5.7	222	58.6	15.6	8	-10	2004	5	27.2	381	172	4.4	209	54.9	14.0	20
6*	27.9	367	97	3.2	270	61.7	13.2	32	+11	2003	8	22.5	380	125	3.2	255	54.2	16.9	45
8*	26.3	371	142	4.0	229	55.2	14.1	33	-7	2002	7	33.2	403	214	4.7	189	49.4	12.1	17

MSU 2008	OPPONENT	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	VS	SKS	DEFENSE	FD	Rush-YDS	AVG	CO-ATT	YDS	SKS	BY	TURN
62,956	at California	23	31-81	2.6	20-48	321	0	22	36-203	5.6	20-30	264	1	+1			
71,789	E Michigan	21	52-238	4.6	11-16	180	1	11	28-127	4.5	14-31	215	2	-1			
70,321	Florida Atlantic	18	58-259	4.5	5-15	88	0	9	27-82	3.0	8-34	143	0	0			
76,366	Notre Dame	16	43-203	4.7	12-26	143	0	18	22-16	0.7	24-41	242	3	+2			
31,832	at Indiana	23	52-236	4.5	14-26	261	0	19	28-189	6.8	23-44	284	1	+3			
77,526	Iowa	15	34-91	2.7	13-24	184	1	19	39-151	3.9	15-22	158	3	+2			
32,527	at Northwestern	18	43-128	3.0	14-20	169	2	27	32-176	5.5	34-61	283	1	+3			
77,360	Ohio St	14	21-52	2.5	23-39	188	3	18	52-216	4.2	7-11	116	2	-5			
110,146	at Michigan	22	48-167	3.5	18-30	306	5	13	31-84	2.7	13-27	168	4	+1			
75,121	Wisconsin	20	29-25	0.9	20-45	287	3	21	47-281	6.0	14-29	149	1	0			
75,522	Purdue	15	42-146	3.5	10-22	154	0	13	40-108	2.7	13-30	83	5	-3			
109,845	at Penn St	23	24-35	1.5	32-49	287	3	19	35-138	3.9	19-31	419	1	-2			
59,681	† Georgia	16	34-31	0.9	22-39	205	6	19	33-81	2.5	20-31	250	2	+1			
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>244</b>	<b>511-1692</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>214-399</b>	<b>2773</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>450-1852</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>224-422</b>	<b>2774</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>+2</b>			
<b>AVERAGES</b>		<b>18.8</b>	<b>39-130</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>16-31</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>17.5</b>	<b>35-142</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>17-32</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>6.2%</b>	<b>0.2</b>			

MSU Pre-Rank	Opponent	Line	Score	Post-Rank	MSU Pre-Rank	Opponent	Line	Score	Post-Rank	MSU Pre-Rank	Opponent	Line	Score	Post-Rank	MSU Pre-Rank	Opponent	Line	Score	Post-Rank
-	at Rutgers	-4'	14-19		-	Kent St	-21'	49-14		-	Idaho	-29'	27-17		-	UAB	-22'	55-18	
-	C Michigan	-25'	24-7		-	Hawaii	-31'	42-14		-	E Michigan	-25'	52-20		-	Bowling Green	-18'	28-17	
-	Notre Dame	+3'	24-31		-	at Notre Dame - #10	+6'	44-41 OT		-	at Pittsburgh	+3'	38-23		-	Pittsburgh	-11'	17-13	
-	at Indiana	-3'	30-20	#17	-	at Illinois	-10'	61-14		-	Notre Dame - #12	+3'	37-40		-	at Notre Dame	-10'	31-14	
-	at Iowa	+7'	16-38		-	Illinois	-6'	31-34 OT		-	Illinois	-26'	20-23		-	at Wisconsin - #9	+7'	34-37	
-	Illinois	-7'	38-25	#11	-	at Michigan - #15	+6'	24-35		-	at Northwestern	+15'	13-31		-	Northwestern	-16'	41-48 OT	
-	Minnesota - #19	+9'	51-17																