

ILLINOIS FIGHTING ILLINI



2004 RECORD: 3-8 (5-5 ATS)
 CONF: Big 10 (1-7, 10th)
 COACH: Ron Zook (1st Year)
 STADIUM: Memorial Stadium
 RETURNING STARTERS: O: 7 D: 7

2004 RESULTS

Opponent	Line	Score	W/L
Florida A&M	NL	52-13	-
UCLA	+1'	17-35	L
W Michigan	-8'	30-27	L
Purdue	+21'	30-38	W
at Wisconsin	+14'	7-24	L
at Michigan St	+7'	25-38	L
Michigan	+19	19-30	W
at Minnesota	+17'	0-45	L
Iowa	+12'	13-23	W
Indiana	-2	26-22	W
at Northwestern	+12'	21-28	OT W

The Illini were outgained by 132.9 ypg in the Big 10 last year. They also have just 4 senior starters, making them the least experienced team in the Big 10 and they are playing in a league that is substantially improved. They must learn new schemes on both offense and defense. While they are stronger than last year's version, Zook will have them in the upper half of the league standings in the near future. They have too much ground to make up to achieve that this season.

2004 STATISTICAL LEADERS (RETURNERS IN BOLD)

RUSHING							PLAYER						
ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG		TKL	SCK	TFL	PBU	INT		
Pierre Thomas	152	921	28	893	8	5.9	Matt Sinclair	87	4	4	3	0	
EB Halsey	111	479	18	461	5	4.2	Justin Harrison	79	0	0	0	1	
Jason Davis	49	237	7	230	1	4.7	Morris Virgil	78	0	2	6	2	
PASSING													
ATT	COMP	PCT	YDS	TD	INT		TKL	SCK	TFL	PBU	INT		
Jon Beutjer	188	107	56.9	1082	8	4	Mike Gawelek	73	0	0	2	1	
Brad Bower	100	57	57.0	658	4	3	Kelvin Hayden	71	0	0	6	4	
Chris Pazan	63	37	58.7	292	1	1	J Leman	56	1.5	2	1	0	
RECEIVING													
REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LONG			TKL	SCK	TFL	PBU	INT		
Kendrick Jones	47	687	14.6	5	56		Chris Norwell	40	0	2	2	0	
Jason Davis	41	340	8.3	2	26		Alan Ball	37	0	1	1	0	
Franklin Payne	25	214	8.6	1	17		Ryan Matha	34	0	7	2	0	
Mark Kornfeld	14	183	13.1	0	30		Mike O'Brien	34	0	3	4	0	
Ade Adeyemo	9	135	15.0	0	39		James Cooper	28	2	0	2	0	
EB Halsey	19	109	5.7	0	12		Joe Mele	28	0	0	0	0	
							Scott Moss	28	0.5	1	0	0	
PUNTING							PUNT RETURNS						
NO	YDS	AVG	FC	NET	BLK	In20	NO	YDS	AVG	TD			
Steve Weatherford	57	2589	45.4	10	39.0	0	23	EB Halsey	27	226	8.4	0	
KICKING							KICK RETURNS						
XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL	LONG	NO	YDS	AVG	TD			
Jason Reda	26-27	3-5	3-5	1-2	0-0	7-12	40	Pierre Thomas	25	677	27.1	1	

DATE	OPPONENT	TURF	OPEN	LINE	SCORE	W/L	TRENDS
Sep. 3	Rutgers	A					Illinois is 6-15 ATS their last 21 lined season openers.
Sep. 10	San Jose St	A					May apply: Illinois is 18-10 ATS their L6Y after a SU win.
Sep. 17	at California	A					Illinois is 2-9 ATS their L11 gms away from Champaign.
Sep. 24	Michigan St	A					Fighting Illini are 16-9-1 ATS on grass since 1997.
Oct. 1	at Iowa	G					Fighting Illini are 6-3-1 ATS the last 10 games vs Iowa.
Oct. 8	at Indiana	A					Illini are 13-6-2 ATS vs the Hoosiers since 1980.
Oct. 15							
Oct. 22	Penn St (HC)	A					Since 2000, Illinois is 4-1 ATS after a bye week.
Oct. 29	Wisconsin	A					Illinois is 4-9 ATS vs the Badgers their last 13 games.
Nov. 5	at Ohio St	G					Illinois is 14-4 ATS vs Ohio St since 1985.
Nov. 12	at Purdue	G					SU winner is 11-2-1 ATS the L14 gms in this series.
Nov. 19	Northwestern	A					Home tm has covered just 4 of 17 in this series S/'88.
Nov. 26							