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The Underdawg went 14-4 overall throughout the FCS postseason and sends a big CONGRATS to Coach Bohl and the NDSU staff and team for a fantastic season and back-to-back championship!



Bison fans pack the field at FC Dallas Stadium after NDSU's victory

## North Dakota State 39, Sam Houston State 13

The Bison won yet another championship and sent a message to not only Sam Houston State, but to the rest of the FCS. Last Saturday's game showed a team of poise, confidence, and discipline. After a 10-10 tie at half, NDSU outscored the Bearkats 29-3 and held Tim Flanders to just 53 total yards rushing. Although played in Southland Conference country, the 21,411 in attendance appeared to be mostly colored in green and gold. Here are a few ways that NDSU impacted the game:

- SHSU allowed 98.5 avg yds rushing this season- NDSU rushed for 300 yards
- SHSU avg'd 458.5 total offense per game this season- put up only 391 total net yds
- SHSU avg'd 268 yds rushing this season- rushed for only 116.
- SHSU was ranked #2 in FCS scoring avg of 40 pts per game- the 13 pts against NDSU was their lowest of the season.

Convinced yet? Here's more on North Dakota State:

- NDSU's 8th football national title (between FCS and Division II)
- 1st FCS team to win back-to-back titles in 5 yrs (App State 2005-2007) & 1 of 7 to win at least 2 titles ever
- 4th time an FCS championship -winning coach (Craig Bohl) won the Eddie Robinson Award the same year
- 5th largest margin of victory in an FCS championship game

## **The FCS Top 25 - Season-ending poll** is out. Here are the top 5:

- 1. North Dakota State
- 2. Sam Houston State
- 3. Georgia Southern
- 4. Eastern Washington
- 5. Montana State

Check out the others and receiving votes

**Trivia Results**: The team that led the FCS in rushing defense and sacks was Harvard. The Crimson allowed 69.4 yards rushing and averaged 4.2 sacks per game.

<u>Trivia Question</u>: Turnvovers played a key role in NDSU's win in the FCS title game. What FCS team had the lowest turnover margin in 2012?

Enter your trivia answer here. Trivia answer and winner will be announced on the next digest.

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