

# 2020 Old Dominion Football Preview



**Head Coach (Yr)**  
Ricky Rahne (1)  
**Offensive Coord.**  
Kirk Campbell (1)  
**Defensive Coord.**  
Blake Seiler (1)  
**Conference/Div**  
CUSA/East

Team Profile	#	Rk
2020 Team Power Rating	48.4	122
Power Ratings Diff vs Last Year	3.2	31
2020 Strength of Schedule	58.6	117
2020 Season Win Projection	3.7	119
Returning Starters (OFF/DEF)	17 (8/9)	8
Return Starting QB (YES/NO)	YES	
Returning Production %	81%	7
Returning Offense Production	80%	19
Returning Defense Production	83%	10
2020 Recruiting (Signees)	21	94
2020 Roster Talent Rank		126

## 2020 Offense/Defense Analysis

Just 4 years ago, Old Dominion won 10 games and a bowl game. However, they haven't had a winning season since and the Monarchs come into the 2020 season losers of 11 straight. Head coach Bobby Wilder resigned after 11 years on the job (77-56 career record) and ODU brings in former Penn St O.C. Ricky Rahne. Rahne doesn't have any prior head coaching experience but passed his first test on the job by signing one of ODU's best recruiting classes.

Rahne also inherits one of the more experienced teams in the country (No. 7 in Bill Connelly's returning production). Eight starters are back on offense but note ODU had one of the worst offenses in the country in 2019. The Monarchs were No. 129 in yards per play and also managed to throw only 5 TD passes all season. We do like their receiving corps including Aaron Moore, Nigel Fitzgerald and Virginia Tech transfer Eric Kumah.

The defense was easily the better of the two units last year (ranked No. 46 in ypg, No. 66 in ypp and No. 79 in scoring). Nine starters are back led by MLB Lawrence Garner (111 tacklsses). However, DE Keion White might be the best player on the team (15.5 TFL's and 3.5 sacks).

The schedule sets up nicely as there are 4 or 5 winnable games in the first half of the season. However, ODU closes the season facing 6 teams that all made a bowl in 2019. This looks like a 3 or 4-win campaign which is a step in the right direction.

## 2020 Schedule with BP Projected Lines

Date	Opponent	Line	Win %	Line	Total	Score	W/L/O/U
9/4	Wake Forest	15.3	15%				
9/12	Hampton	-25.4	95%				
9/19	FIU	4.7	37%				
9/26	Middle Tenn	7.8	31%				
10/3	at Connecticut	-1.7	55%				
10/10							
10/17	at UTSA	3.2	41%				
10/24	Virginia	22.6	6%				
10/31	at W Kentucky	21.5	7%				
11/7	UAB	11.6	22%				
11/14	at Charlotte	9.1	28%				
11/21	at Florida Atl	19.8	8%				
11/28	Marshall	12.8	20%				
<b>Projected Wins</b>		<b>3.65</b>					

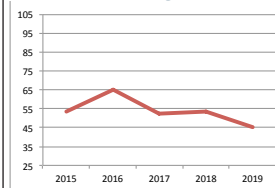
## Last 5 Year Records

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Straight Up	5-7	10-3	5-7	4-8	1-11	25-36
Home	3-4	6-0	3-3	3-3	1-5	16-15
Away	2-3	3-3	2-4	1-5	0-6	8-21
Neutral	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0
Conference	3-5	7-1	3-5	2-6	0-8	15-25
Non-Conf	2-2	3-2	2-2	2-2	1-3	10-11
<b>ATS</b>	<b>3-9</b>	<b>9-4</b>	<b>4-8</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>4-8</b>	<b>25-36</b>
Home Fav	1-2	6-0	0-3	1-0	0-3	8-8
Home Dog	1-3	0-0	1-2	2-3	0-3	4-11
Away Fav	0-1	3-0	1-0	0-3	0-0	4-4
Away Dog	1-3	0-3	2-3	2-1	4-2	9-12
Conference	3-5	7-1	3-5	2-6	2-6	17-23
Non-Conf	0-4	2-4	1-3	3-1	2-2	8-13
<b>O/U</b>	<b>7-5</b>	<b>8-5</b>	<b>6-6</b>	<b>9-3</b>	<b>5-7</b>	<b>35-26</b>

## ATS Stat

**From 2009-2018 ODU was 47-19 SU at home. However, in the new S.B. Ballard stadium last year, ODU was just 1-5 SU and 0-6 ATS.**

## End of Season Power Rating 2015-19



## 2019 Stats

	ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk
<b>Rushing</b>				
YPC	2.7	128	3.8	44
YPG	97.3	124	147.6	55
<b>Passing</b>				
Comp %	54.6%	107	63.6%	104
YPA	5.6	127	8.3	113
YPG	176.4	112	223.5	61
TD-INT	5-12		20-9	
<b>Total</b>				
ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk	
YPP	4.1	129	5.7	66
YPG	273.8	128	371.1	46
<b>Scoring</b>				
PPG	16.3	126	29.8	79
<b>3rd Down</b>				
ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk	
%	31.1%	122	39.4%	69
<b>Red Zone</b>				
ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk	
TD %	36.8%	130	62.7%	79
Scoring %	71.1%	125	86.3%	93
<b>KO Ret</b>				
ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk	
Avg	24.8	15	21.0	70
<b>Punt Ret</b>				
ODU	Rk	Opp	Rk	
Avg	7.1	75	6.4	45
<b>Sacks</b>				
By	Rk	Vs	Rk	
#	17	111	52	129
<b>TFL's</b>				
By	Rk	Vs	Rk	
#	76	60	116	129
<b>Net Punt</b>				
ODU	Rk			
Avg	36.5	107		
<b>4th Down</b>				
Off	Rk			
Att P/Gm	2.8	3		
<b>Turnovers</b>				
Margin	-1	69		
<b>Penalties</b>				
Per Game	5.9	56		

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## Scoring Quarter-By-Quarter

	1Q	2Q	3Q	4Q	OT	Total
ODU	61	39	55	40	0	195
Opp	96	101	66	95	0	358

## 2019 Stat Margins

Margins	+/-	Rk
Rush YPC	-1.1	114
Pass YPA	-2.7	127
YPP	-1.6	123
YPG	-97.3	117
Scoring	-13.5	117

## 2019 Individual Stats

	Att	Yds	%	Ratio
<b>Passing</b>				
Stone Smartt	177	1006	57.1	11-6
Hayden Wolff	129	737	58.1	2-3
<b>Rushing</b>				
Att Yds YPC TD				
Kesean Strong	84	353	4.2	4
Lala Davis	79	337	4.3	4
<b>Receiving</b>				
Rec Yds YPC TD				
Aaron Moore	26	389	15.0	3
Nigel Fitzgerald	14	219	15.6	0
Kesean Strong	27	200	7.4	0
Eric Kumah	18	192	10.7	0
<b>Defense</b>				
Tkl Skts TFL INT				
Lawrence Garner	111	1	6	0
Jordan Young	86	0	4	1
Geronda Hall	69	0	1	2
Keion White	62	3.5	15.5	1
Calvin Brewton	59	0	1	0
H. Blackmon	42	0	1	1
<b>Kicking</b>				
FG LG XP				
Nick Rice	15-20	40	18-18	
<b>Punting</b>				
Avg 120 50+ BLK				
Bailey Cate	39.9	23	7	1

## 2019 Game-By-Game Recap

Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Norfolk State	55.5	55.5	21	Cover: 22.5
Old Dominion	-27	-25.5	24	Under: 10.5
-ODU only had a 292-268 yard edge.				
-ODU led 14-0 after the 1Q & were out-played afterwards.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	55.5	57	17	Cover: 14.5
Virginia Tech	-28	-28.5	31	Under: 9
-VT only had a 403-324 yard edge and got out-rushed 202-131.				
-Hokies were -2 in TO's.				
-The Monarchs came into the game with 47 players that had never seen action for ODU, including 14 junior college transfers. They also had 20 players that redshirted last year.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	48.5	47	17	Cover: 16
Virginia	-29	-27	28	Under: 2
-ODU had a 270-244 yard edge and led 17-0 early in the 2Q.				
-UVA obviously was in a flat spot...off an emotional win vs Florida St and a big game vs NCU on deck.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
East Carolina	-1.5	46.5	24	Cover: 6
Old Dominion	49	-3	21	Under: 1.5
-ECU had a 309-293 yard edge as both teams committed 3 TO's.				
-ECU did get a blocked punt TD.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
W. Kentucky	PK	-2.5	20	Cover: 14.5
Old Dominion	45	42.5	3	Under: 19.5
-WKU had 21-11 first down and 320-163 yard edges.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	44.5	46.5	17	Cover: 1.5
Marshall	-14	-15.5	31	Over: 1.5
-Marshall dominated more than the final indicated as they had 27-11 first down and 444-206 yard edges including 236-83 on the ground.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	43	42	14	Over: 10
UAB	-14	-16.5	38	Cover: 7.5
-UAB dominated with 21-15 first down and 435-150 yard edges including 175-39 on the ground.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Florida Atlantic	-16.5	-13.5	41	Cover: 24.5
Old Dominion	52.5	51	3	Under: 7
-FAU had 23-14 first down & 430-204 yard edges.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	49	47.5	17	Cover: 10.5
FIU	-17	-17.5	24	Under: 6.5
-FIU had 20-13 first down & 383-233 yard edges.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
UTSA	43.5	42	24	Cover: 4.5
Old Dominion	-3.5	-3.5	23	Over: 5
-UTSA had 22-21 first down and 419-371 yard edges including 179-82 on the ground.				
-ODU led 23-10 entering the 4Q!				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Old Dominion	47.5	47.5	17	Over: 7.5
Middle Tenn	-14	-13.5	38	Cover: 7.5
-ODU had 23-22 first down & 423-391 yard edges.				
-ODU QB Wolff attempted 65 passes and WR Moore had 194 receiving yards.				
-ODU was stopped on downs inside MT's 20-yard line in each of their final 2 possessions.				
Teams	Open	Close	Score	ATS
Charlotte	-7.5	-10.5	38	Cover: 5.5
Old Dominion	48.5	51	22	Over: 9
-ODU actually had a 24-23 first down edge but Charlotte a 407-356 yard edge.				
-Charlotte averaged 12.8 yards per pass while ODU averaged just 4.6.				
-ODU ended the season with 11 straight losses.				

2015 (SU: 5-7, ATS: 3-9, O/U: 7-5)					2016 (SU: 10-3, ATS: 9-4, O/U: 8-5)					2017 (SU: 5-7, ATS: 4-8, O/U: 6-6)					2018 (SU: 4-8, ATS: 5-7, O/U: 9-3)					2019 (SU: 1-11, ATS: 4-8, O/U: 5-7)									
Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U	Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U	Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U	Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U	Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L/O/U					
9/5	at Eastern Mich	-6	38-34	L	06/2	Hampton	-24	54-21	W	06/2	Albany	-24	31-17	L	05/3	at Liberty	-5	10-52	L	05/8	Norfolk St	-24	24-10	L	05/8	Norfolk St	-24	24-10	L
9/12	Norfolk St	-24	24-10	L	09/10	at App St	+21	7-31	L	05/4	at Massachusetts	-3	17-7	L	06/0	FIU	+1	20-28	L	05/1	at Virginia Tech	+28	17-31	W	05/7	at Virginia Tech	+28	17-31	W
9/19	NC State	+17	14-38	L	09/17	at NC State	+24	22-49	L	05/8	North Carolina	+10	23-53	L	05/5	at Charlotte	-1	25-28	L	04/7	at Virginia	+27	17-28	W	04/7	at Virginia	+27	17-28	W
9/26	Appalachian St	+7	0-49	L	09/24	UTSA	-5	33-19	W	05/0	at Virginia Tech	+28	0-38	L	05/2	Virginia Tech	+29	49-35	W	05/2	East Carolina	-3	21-24	L	04/6	East Carolina	-3	21-24	L
10/3	at Marshall	+17	7-27	L	10/7	at Charlotte	-9	52-17	W	05/9	9/30				9/22	at East Carolina	+7	35-37	W	06/0	WKU	+15	17-31	W	04/6	WKU	+15	17	