



2005 BIG TEN FOOTBALL

Big Ten Sends Seven Teams to Bowl Games;
Penn State and Ohio State Give League 13 BCS
Bowl Berths, More Than Any Other Conference

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2005 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS

	Conference Games					All Games						
	W-L	PCT	H	A	Streak	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Top 25	Streak
1. Penn State#	7-1	.875	4-0	3-1	W4	10-1	.909	7-0	3-1	0-0	3-0	W4
Ohio State#	7-1	.875	4-0	3-1	W6	9-2	.818	6-1	3-1	0-0	5-2	W6
3. Wisconsin	5-3	.625	3-1	2-2	L2	9-3	.750	5-1	4-2	0-0	2-1	W1
Iowa	5-3	.625	3-1	2-2	W2	7-4	.636	5-1	2-3	0-0	1-1	W2
Michigan	5-3	.625	2-2	3-1	L1	7-4	.636	4-3	3-1	0-0	3-3	L1
Northwestern	5-3	.625	2-2	3-1	W1	7-4	.636	4-2	3-2	0-0	2-3	W1
7. Minnesota	4-4	.500	2-2	2-2	L1	7-4	.636	4-2	3-2	0-0	2-2	L1
8. Purdue	3-5	.375	2-2	1-3	W3	5-6	.455	3-3	2-3	0-0	0-3	W3
9. Michigan State	2-6	.250	1-3	1-3	L3	5-6	.455	3-3	2-3	0-0	1-2	L3
10. Indiana	1-7	.125	1-3	0-4	L6	4-7	.364	3-3	1-4	0-0	0-3	L6
11. Illinois	0-8	.000	0-4	0-4	L9	2-9	.182	2-4	0-5	0-0	0-5	L9

Big Ten Co-Champion

BIG TEN BOWL BITS

Seven Teams Go Bowling: The Big Ten's seven bowl berths in 2005 matches the second-highest total in conference annals, trailing only the league record of eight bowl participants established following the 2003 campaign. The Big Ten also qualified seven schools for postseason play after the 1993, 1996, 1997, 1999 and 2002 seasons. The conference is sending six or more teams to bowl games for the seventh straight year and 14th time overall. Including this season, league programs have made 66 bowl appearances over the last decade (1996-2005) and 219 appearances all-time.

Big Ten BCS Duos: In Ohio State and Penn State, the Big Ten is sending a pair of teams to Bowl Championship Series (BCS) games for the fifth time in the system's eight years. Since the inception of the BCS in 1998, the Big Ten has now qualified 13 teams for BCS bowls, more than any other conference. The league also sent a pair of squads to BCS games after the following seasons - 1998 (Ohio State, Wisconsin), 1999 (Michigan, Wisconsin), 2002 (Iowa, Ohio State) and 2003 (Michigan, Ohio State).

Coaching Legends Meet: The two most successful coaches in college football history will meet when Penn State's **Joe Paterno** and Florida State's **Bobby Bowden** square off in the Orange Bowl. With both coaches completing their 40th year on the sidelines, Bowden holds the all-time record with 359 career triumphs while Paterno ranks second with 353 victories. In postseason play, Paterno is the all-time leader with 20 victories followed by Bowden's 19 bowl wins. Penn State and Florida State have battled only twice in school history with both meetings occurring in the postseason. In his second year as head coach at PSU, Paterno collected his first bowl bid in the 1967 Gator Bowl and tied FSU, 17-17 -- nine years before Bowden would take over at Florida State in 1976. The two coaches' only meeting took place in the 1990 Blockbuster Bowl, with the Seminoles earning a 24-17 win.

Winningest Programs Square Off: Four of the top five winningest programs in NCAA history will face off in Big Ten bowl games with Michigan battling Nebraska in the Alamo Bowl and Ohio State challenging Notre Dame in the Fiesta Bowl. The Wolverines currently rank first in college football annals with 849 victories, followed by the Fighting Irish (second with 811 wins), Cornhuskers (fourth with 793) and Buckeyes (T-fifth with 773). In addition, Penn State ranks seventh with 770 wins all-time.

Alvarez Farewell Tour: Wisconsin head coach **Barry Alvarez** will conclude a 16-year career in Madison with the school's first trip to the Capital One Bowl. Alvarez won his final regular season game to improve to 117-73-4 and his 117 career wins rank eighth on the all-time victory list for conference coaches. The Badgers' mentor is also tied for third among current coaches with seven bowl victories (along with Texas' Mack Brown and Tennessee's Phillip Fulmer), trailing only Penn State's Paterno (20 wins) and Florida State's Bowden (19). Alvarez has taken UW to 11 bowl games in his 16 years and boasts a 7-3 record, including three Rose Bowl victories.

Bowl Coaching Breakdown: Big Ten coaches that have reached bowl games this season sport a combined record of 43-27-1 (.613) in bowl games as collegiate head coaches and a mark of 27-16 (.628) since they joined the league. Penn State's Paterno holds the NCAA record with 20 bowl wins, including a 6-2 mark since joining the Big Ten. Alvarez ranks second among conference mentors with seven bowl triumphs, followed by Michigan's **Lloyd Carr** and Minnesota's **Glen Mason** with five wins a piece. The complete breakdown of 2005 bowl mentors appears above to the right.

Non-Conference Review: The Big Ten produced a record of 28-6 (.824) in non-conference play this season, which is the best winning percentage since going 23-4 (.852) prior to bowl play in 1997. In addition, the league's 28 non-league victories are the most prior to bowl play in an 11-game season since Big Ten teams went 28-7 (.800) in 1999. All five of the schools that defeated league programs this year are taking part in a bowl -- Arizona State (Insight), California (Las Vegas), Iowa State (Houston), Notre Dame (Fiesta) and Texas (Rose).

BIG TEN BOWL SCHEDULE

Wednesday, December 28, 2005

MASTERCARD ALAMO BOWL

No. 20/21 MICHIGAN
vs. Nebraska (7-4)
8 p.m. EST - ESPN

Friday, December 30, 2005

GAYLORD HOTELS MUSIC CITY BOWL

MINNESOTA
vs. Virginia (6-5)
Noon EST - ESPN

VITALIS SUN BOWL

NORTHWESTERN
vs. No. 17/17 UCLA (9-2)
2 p.m. EST - CBS

Monday, January 2, 2006

OUTBACK BOWL

No. 25/25 IOWA
vs. No. 16/18 Florida (8-3)
11 a.m. EST - ESPN

CAPITAL ONE BOWL

No. 21/20 WISCONSIN
vs. No. 7/7 Auburn (9-2)
1 p.m. EST - ABC

TOSTITOS FIESTA BOWL

No. 4/4 OHIO STATE
vs. No. 5/6 Notre Dame (9-2)
5 p.m. EST - ABC

Tuesday, January 3, 2006

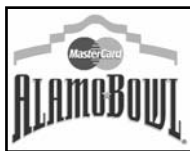
FEDEX ORANGE BOWL

No. 3/3 PENN STATE
vs. No. 22/22 Florida State (8-4)
8 p.m. EST - ABC

BIG TEN COACHES BOWL RECORDS

	Big Ten	Overall
Ferentz, IOWA	3-1	3-1
Carr, MICH	5-5	5-5
Mason, MINN	3-2	5-2
Walker, NU	0-2	0-5
Tressel, OSU	3-1	3-1
Paterno, PSU	6-2	20-10-1
Alvarez, WIS	7-3	7-3
TOTAL	27-16	43-27-1

2005-06 BIG TEN BOWL PREVIEWS

**MASTERCARD ALAMO BOWL**

Michigan returns to the Alamo Bowl for the second time in school annals and will battle Nebraska for the first time since the 1986 Fiesta Bowl (and sixth time overall) on Wednesday, Dec. 28 at 8 p.m. EST in San Antonio, Texas. The Wolverines were edged by Texas A&M in their lone Alamo Bowl appearance in 1995.

Michigan will take part in a bowl game for the 31st straight season, which currently ranks as the longest active streak of bowl appearances in the country. The Wolverines are 18-18 overall in bowl games and their 37 bids are tied for the league lead with Ohio State. The Big Ten has produced a 7-4 record in the Alamo Bowl, including a victory by the Buckeyes last season.

**GAYLORD HOTELS MUSIC CITY BOWL**

Minnesota will travel to the Music City Bowl in Nashville, Tenn., for the third time in the last four seasons to challenge Virginia for the first time in school history on Friday, Dec. 30 at Noon EST. Head coach **Glen Mason** has led the Gophers to four straight bowl games for the first time in school history and six post-season games overall, compared to the program's five

bowl trips prior to his arrival in 1997. Minnesota is undefeated in two Music City Bowls, picking up victories over Alabama last season and Arkansas in 2002, and boasts a 5-5 record in all postseason contests. The Big Ten has produced a 2-1 mark in the Music City Bowl.

**VITALIS SUN BOWL**

Northwestern will make its first appearance in the Sun Bowl facing UCLA for the first time since 1970 (and sixth time overall) on Friday, Dec. 30 at 2 p.m. EST in El Paso, Texas. The Wildcats clinched their sixth bowl trip in school history and head coach **Randy Walker** has guided the school to three postseason games, including

their first-ever berths in the Alamo Bowl (2000) and Motor City Bowl (2003). Big Ten programs have built a 5-6 mark in the Sun Bowl, including a narrow loss by Purdue to Arizona State last season.

**OUTBACK BOWL**

Iowa and Florida will square off in the Outback Bowl for the second time in the last three years on Monday, Jan. 2 at 11 a.m. EST in Tampa, Fla. The Hawkeyes clinched their fifth straight bowl excursion

under head coach **Kirk Ferentz** for the first time since appearing in eight straight postseason events from 1981-88. Iowa has played in 20 bowl games all-time, building a record of 11-8-1, including a victory over the Gators in the Hawkeyes' lone Outback Bowl appearance following the 2003 season. The Big Ten has produced a record of 7-9 in the Outback Bowl, including victories in two of the last three games by Iowa and Michigan (2002 season).

**CAPITAL ONE BOWL**

Wisconsin will be making its first trip to the Capital One Bowl and will take on Auburn for the third time overall on Monday, Jan. 2 at 1 p.m. EST in Orlando, Fla. The two programs most recent meeting also occurred in the post-season, with the Tigers defeating the Badgers in the 2003 Music City Bowl. In his final game as the Badgers'

head coach, **Barry Alvarez** will look to improve upon a 7-3 postseason record in his 11th bowl trip in 16 years on campus. Wisconsin has played in 16 bowl games overall with an 8-8 record and will be making its fourth straight postseason appearance. Big Ten squads maintain a 7-8 mark in the Capital One Bowl, including a last-second victory by Iowa over LSU last season.

**TOSTITOS FIESTA BOWL**

Ohio State is back in the Fiesta Bowl for the third time in the last four seasons and will square off against Notre Dame on Monday, Jan. 2 at 5 p.m. EST in Tempe, Ariz. The Buckeyes and Fighting Irish have split four games all-time, most recently when OSU

knocked off Notre Dame in 1996. The Big Ten co-champions are making their fifth consecutive bowl excursion, including five straight under head coach **Jim Tressel**. The OSU mentor has won three straight bowl games with a pair of Fiesta Bowl triumphs, including clinching the national title and an undefeated

BIG TEN BOWL BITS, CONT.

Fresh Faces: Big Ten programs will face unfamiliar foes during the bowl season with four of the seven league teams battling an opponent for the first time in more than a decade. In the Music City Bowl, Minnesota will meet Virginia for the first time in school history. In the Sun Bowl, Northwestern and UCLA will square off for the sixth time ever and the first time since 1970. In the Alamo Bowl, Michigan and Nebraska will compete for the first time since 1986 and the sixth time overall. And in the Orange Bowl, Penn State will take on Florida State for the second time in school annals and the first time since 1990.

Bowl Rematches: Four of the seven Big Ten bowl matchups will feature a previous postseason opponent, most notably for Iowa and Florida, who will square off in Tampa, Fla., for the second time in three years after the Hawkeyes defeated the Gators in the 2004 Outback Bowl. Wisconsin's last game against Auburn was in the 2003 Music City Bowl, PSU's most recent matchup with Florida State occurred in the 1990 Blockbuster Bowl while Michigan's last contest against Nebraska took place in the 1986 Fiesta Bowl.

Tough Competition: The Big Ten's seven-team bowl contingent has built a record of 56-22 (.718) but will once again face stiff competition in bowl games. The league's bowl foes also have a combined record of 56-22 (.718) and three of the squads already boast nine wins -- Auburn (9-2), Notre Dame (9-2) and UCLA (9-2). Only the Big 12 (combined opponents' record of 68-21, .764) and SEC (50-17, .764) face tougher bowl slates.

Double-Digit Wins: Penn State is aiming for its first 11-win season since 1996 and 13th year of 11 or more victories under Paterno. Ohio State and Wisconsin are both targeting their 10th win, which would mark the Buckeyes' third year of double-digit triumphs in the past four seasons and the first for the Badgers since 1999. Over the previous decade (1995-2004), 23 conference teams have posted 10 or more wins (most recently with Penn State this season) and nine squads have racked up 11 or more victories (most recently when OSU went 11-2 in 2003).

Bowl Veterans: The Big Ten boasts three of the 11 programs with 37 or more bowl appearances in Penn State (8th with 38), Michigan (T9th with 37) and Ohio State (T9th with 37). The Nittany Lions are tied for fourth all-time with 23 bowl triumphs, the Wolverines are 12th with 18 victories and the Buckeyes are tied at 13th with 17 wins.

Wolverines' Bowl Streak: Michigan's current streak of 31 consecutive bowls is the longest active streak in the nation.

season with an overtime victory over Miami (Fla.) following the 2002 season. The Buckeyes will be playing in their 37th bowl, which is tied with Michigan for the league lead, and hold a 17-19 record in postseason play and a 3-1 mark in the Fiesta Bowl. The Big Ten boasts a 5-1 ledger in the Fiesta Bowl, including a current five-game win streak.

**FEDEX ORANGE BOWL**

In a game featuring the two winningest coaches in college football history, **Penn State** will make its first appearance in a BCS bowl and returns to the Orange Bowl for the fifth time in school history to face ACC champion Florida State on Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 8 p.m. EST in Miami, Fla. In his 40th year as the Nittany Lions'

head coach, **Joe Paterno** boasts 353 career victories, a number that ranks second only to the Seminoles' Bobby Bowden (359) in college football annals. Penn State has battled Florida State only twice previously and both matchups occurred in bowl games -- the 1967 Gator Bowl (17-17 tie) and the 1990 Blockbuster Bowl (24-17 win by Florida State). The Nittany Lions earned a share of the 2005 Big Ten title and claimed the league's BCS automatic bid based on a victory over Ohio State. Paterno, the 2005 Big Ten Coach of the Year, will make his 32nd bowl appearance at Penn State and boasts 20 victories, both of which stand as NCAA records. Overall, the school has built a 23-12-2 record in postseason play, including a 6-2 mark since joining the Big Ten in 1993. PSU has been victorious in three of four trips to the Orange Bowl with wins following the 1968, 1969 and 1973 campaigns. The school's last trip to the Orange Bowl occurred after the 1985 season, when an undefeated and top-ranked Penn State squad was defeated by No. 2 Oklahoma. Big Ten schools have played in four Orange Bowls, most recently when Iowa challenged USC after the 2002 campaign, and have produced a 2-2 record, including triumphs by Ohio State (1976) and Michigan (1999).

NOTING THE BIG TEN

Big Ten Standouts Claim National Honors: Big Ten student-athletes have collected five national awards this season, the highest total since league standouts took home seven national accolades following the 2002 campaign. A pair of Big Ten standouts have each claimed two national trophies in Minnesota center **Greg Eslinger** (Outland and Rimington Trophies) and Penn State linebacker **Paul Posluszny** (Bednarik and Butkus Awards) in addition to one national accolade for Ohio State linebacker **A.J. Hawk** (Lombardi Award). The last Big Ten student-athlete to pick up multiple national awards was Nittany Lions' running back Larry Johnson, who earned the Walter Camp Player of the Year, Maxwell and Doak Walker Awards in 2002.

Eslinger became the first player to win both the Outland Trophy, which honors the nation's outstanding interior lineman, and the Rimington Trophy, awarded to the country's top center, in the same season. The Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year is the 11th conference player to collect the Outland Trophy and the first since Iowa's Robert Gallery was honored in 2003. Eslinger is the second straight league center to be awarded the Rimington Trophy and the third Big Ten honoree in the six-year history of the award, joining 2004 co-winner David Baas of Michigan and 2001 winner LeCharles Bentley of Ohio State.

Posluszny is the second player in Big Ten annals to claim both the Bednarik Award, honoring the country's outstanding defensive player, and Butkus Award, awarded to the top linebacker, in the same season. The junior linebacker joins fellow Nittany Lion LaVar Arrington, who was the league's most recent winner of both awards in 1999. The Big Ten has now collected the Bednarik Award on five occasions in the award's 11-year history. Conference student-athletes have earned the Butkus Award on seven occasions.

Hawk became the fifth Buckeye to collect the Rotary Lombardi Award, honoring the nation's top college lineman or linebacker, and the first since offensive tackle Orlando Pace became the first player to win back-to-back awards in 1995 and 1996. The Big Ten has now claimed the Lombardi Award on seven occasions with six of those trophies headed to Ohio State.

Everybody's All-American: In addition to the individual accolades, 10 conference players have been named to the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA), Football Writers Association of America (FWAA) and Walter Camp Football Foundation All-America teams. Eslinger, Hawk and Penn State's **Tamba Hali** were named first-team All-Americans by the all three groups while Posluszny was honored by the FWAA and Walter Camp Foundation and Northwestern offensive lineman **Zach Strief** was chosen by the FWAA. Second-team selections included Iowa linebacker **Chad Greenway**, Minnesota running back **Laurence Maroney**, Ohio State offensive lineman **Nick Mangold**, PSU defensive back **Alan Zemaitis** and Wisconsin offensive lineman **Joe Thomas**.

Smart Players: The Big Ten topped all conferences with eight members of the 2005 ESPN The Magazine Academic All-America Football Team, an increase of two over the league's six honorees from last season. The Big Ten's eight Academic All-Americans this year include three first-team selections in Indiana defensive back **Will Meyers**, Iowa offensive lineman **Mike Elgin** and Penn State linebacker **Paul Posluszny**. The league's five second-team choices are Michigan wide receiver **Jason Avant**, the Michigan State duo of offensive lineman **Chris Morris** and quarterback **Drew Stanton** and the Minnesota pair of offensive lineman **Greg Eslinger** and defensive lineman **Mark Losli**. Eslinger was one of only six student-athletes to repeat as Academic All-Americans after being honored as a second-team selection in 2004. To be eligible for Academic All-America honors, a student-athlete must be a varsity starter or key reserve, maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.20 on a scale of 4.00 and have reached sophomore athletic and academic standing at his current institution.

BIG TEN ALL-AMERICANS

Chad Greenway, LB, IOWA	WC2
Greg Eslinger, OL, MINN	AFCA, FWAA, WC1
Laurence Maroney, RB, MINN	WC2
Zach Strief, OL, NU	FWAA
A.J. Hawk, LB, OSU	AFCA, FWAA, WC1
Nick Mangold, OL, OSU	WC2
Tamba Hali, DL, PSU	AFCA, FWAA, WC1
Paul Posluszny, LB, PSU	FWAA, WC1
Alan Zemaitis, DB, PSU	WC2
Joe Thomas, OL, WIS	WC2

AFCA = AFCA; FW = FWAA; WC1/2 = Walter Camp 1st/2nd

BIG TEN PLAYERS ON THE NATIONAL AWARDS SCENE

NATIONAL AWARD WINNERS

Bednarik Award Top Defensive Player WINNER Paul Posluszny, PSU OTHER BIG TEN FINALISTS A.J. Hawk, OSU	Outland Trophy Outstanding Interior Lineman WINNER Greg Eslinger, MINN
Butkus Award Best Linebacker WINNER Paul Posluszny, PSU OTHER BIG TEN FINALISTS A.J. Hawk, OSU	Rimington Trophy Outstanding Center WINNER Greg Eslinger, MINN OTHER BIG TEN FINALISTS Nick Mangold, OSU
Rotary Lombardi Award Outstanding Lineman WINNER A.J. Hawk, OSU OTHER BIG TEN FINALISTS Paul Posluszny, PSU	Home Depot Coach of the Year WINNER Joe Paterno, PSU

Final Heisman Trophy Voting

1. Reggie Bush, USC -- 2,541
2. Vince Young, Texas - 1,608
3. Matt Leinart, USC - 797
4. Brady Quinn, Notre Dame - 191
5. Michael Robinson, PSU - 49
6. A.J. Hawk, OSU - 29

**Walter Camp
Player of the Year Award**

FINALIST
A.J. Hawk, OSU

**Ted Hendricks Award
Outstanding Defensive End
(Winner named in Jan.)**

FINALIST
Tamba Hali, PSU

**Lott Trophy
Top Defensive Player**

FINALIST
A.J. Hawk, OSU

Bronko Nagurski Trophy

Top Defensive Player
FINALIST
Tamba Hali, PSU

**Johnny Unitas
Golden Arm Award
Top Senior Quarterback**

FINALIST
Brett Basanez, NU

**Munger Award
College Coach of the Year
(Winner named in Dec.)**

FINALIST
Joe Paterno, PSU

**Eddie Robinson Award
College Coach of the Year
(Winner named Jan 2.)**

FINALIST
Joe Paterno, PSU

**Draddy Trophy
"Academic Heisman" given to
nation's top scholar-athlete**

FINALIST
Greg Eslinger, MINN

**Wuerffel Trophy
Combination of community service
and academic achievement**

FINALIST
Brett Basanez, NU

**ESPN The Magazine
Academic All-Americans**

FIRST TEAM
Will Meyers, IND
Mike Elgin, IOWA
Paul Posluszny, PSU

SECOND TEAM
Jason Avant, MICH
Chris Morris, MSU
Drew Stanton, MSU
Greg Eslinger, MINN
Mark Losli, MINN

NOTING THE BIG TEN, CONT.

Big Ten's Best BCS Finish : For the first time in Big Ten history, the league placed two teams among the top four in the final Bowl Championship Series (BCS) standings released on Dec. 4. Penn State ended the regular season ranked third in the final BCS standings, surpassing the program's previous top final ranking of 11th in 1999, followed by Ohio State at fourth overall, the school's third top-five finish in the last four seasons (5th in 2003, 2nd in 2002). The Big Ten had previously placed two programs among the top five of the final BCS poll in 2003 (No. 4 Michigan, No. 5 Ohio State) and 2002 (No. 2 Ohio State, No. 5 Iowa). Overall, the Big Ten tied the ACC and SEC with five teams among the top 25 in the final BCS poll, including No. 18 Wisconsin, No. 20 Michigan and No. 25 Northwestern.

Road Warriors: Big Ten teams were especially successful on the road this season with a record of 26-27 (.491) in all away games, the league's best road winning percentage and most victories away from home since at least the 2000 season. The Big Ten's previous best road performance in the last six years occurred in 2002 when the programs built a 25-30 (.455) mark in visiting stadiums. In addition, conference teams won 20 of 44 road games in league action, matching the 2002 season for the most successful road campaign since 2000.

Ohio State and Penn State Share Big Ten Title: In the final weekend of conference action, Ohio State and Penn State secured a share of the 2005 Big Ten Championship by taking care of business on the road. The Buckeyes were the first team to hit the field as they met Michigan in Ann Arbor for the 102nd meeting in the all-time series. The Wolverines built a 21-12 advantage with less than eight minutes remaining before OSU rallied for the win, with Antonio Pittman scoring on a three-yard run with only 24 seconds left to give the Buckeyes a 25-21 victory and a share of the crown. The Nittany Lions then took the field in East Lansing and built a 17-0 halftime lead over the Spartans before holding on for the 31-22 triumph to split the conference title.

Nittany Lions Earn BCS Automatic Bid: While both OSU and PSU shared the Big Ten title, the Nittany Lions collected the league's automatic Bowl Championship Series (BCS) berth based on a 17-10 victory over the Buckeyes on Oct. 8. Penn State will take part in its first BCS bowl game since the system's inception in 1998, becoming the sixth Big Ten school in eight years to earn BCS automatic qualification joining Illinois (2001), Michigan (2003, 2004), Ohio State (2002), Purdue (2000), and Wisconsin (1998, 1999). Overall, the Big Ten boasts a conference-best 13 BCS bowl berths in its first eight years of existence, sending a second team to a BCS bowl in 1998 (Ohio State), 1999 (Michigan), 2002 (Iowa), 2003 (Ohio State) and 2005 (Ohio State).

Buckeyes Win 30th Big Ten Championship: Ohio State picked up a share of the 30th Big Ten title in school history, the second-highest total among all league programs behind only Michigan (42). The Buckeyes have now won two conference championships in head coach **Jim Tressel's** five years at the helm and four crowns in the last decade, also splitting the title in 1996, 1998 and 2002. The Wolverines lead the way with five championships in the last 10 years (1997, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2004), followed by OSU's four crowns and a pair of first-place finishes for Iowa (2002, 2004), Northwestern (1996, 2000) and Wisconsin (1998, 1999).

Penn State's Second Title: The Nittany Lions and head coach **Joe Paterno** picked up their second Big Ten Championship since joining the conference in 1993. PSU placed third in the standings in their first season before claiming the Big Ten title with a perfect 8-0 mark in 1994 -- part of an undefeated 12-0 campaign including a Rose Bowl victory over Oregon. Since joining the league, the Nittany Lions have placed third or better on six occasions -- 1993 (3rd), 1994 (1st), 1995 (T3rd), 1996 (T3rd), 1997 (T2nd) and 2005 (T1st).

2005 BIG TEN FOOTBALL MVPS

As selected by each institution

Illinois	Pierre Thomas, RB
Indiana	TBA
Iowa	Chad Greenway, LB; Ed Hinkel, WR; Abdul Hodge, LB; Albert Young, RB
Michigan	Jason Avant, WR
Michigan State	TBA
Minnesota	Greg Eslinger, C; Laurence Maroney, RB
Northwestern	Brett Basanez, QB
Ohio State	A.J. Hawk, LB
Penn State	Michael Robinson, QB*
Purdue	Rob Ninkovich, DE
Wisconsin	Brian Calhoun, RB

* Chicago Tribune Silver Football winner

BIG TEN INSTANT REPLAY BREAKDOWN

Instant Replay -- Year Two: The Big Ten has completed the second year of its college football instant replay program in 2005. All 44 conference games utilized this system and visiting teams during non-conference contests approved the usage of instant replay for all 23 televised home games (no TV scheduled for San Jose State at Illinois and Nicholls State at Indiana on September 10). In addition, other leagues also implemented their own instant replay system after the NCAA approved the Big Ten's proposal to allow all NCAA conferences and independent institutions to experiment with the use of video replay for the 2005 season. For more information on the Big Ten's instant replay system, go to www.bigten.org.

<u>Week</u>	<u>Instant Replay Games</u>	<u>Stoppages for Replay</u>	<u>Calls Overtuned</u>	<u>Avg. Time of Replay Games</u>
Sept. 3	8	5	2	3:19*
<i>Details: Two stoppages at ILL and WIS, one at MSU.</i>				
Sept. 10	8	6	4	3:20
<i>Details: Three stoppages at MICH, two at OSU, one at NU.</i>				
Sept. 17	6	0	0	3:06
<i>Details: No stoppages for the first time since Sept. 18, 2004.</i>				
Sept. 24	5	7	2	3:27#
<i>Details: Four stoppages at WIS, one at MINN, NU and OSU.</i>				
Oct. 1	5	8	4	3:22*
<i>Details: Two stoppages at MICH, PUR and WIS, one at IOWA, PSU.</i>				
Oct. 8	5	12	1	3:24
<i>Details: Four stoppages at MICH, three at NU, two at IND, PSU, one at PUR.</i>				
Oct. 15	5	10	7	3:34
<i>Details: Three stoppages at IOWA, two at MICH, OSU, PUR, one at MINN.</i>				
Oct. 22	5	6	3	3:14
<i>Details: Three stoppages at IOWA, one at ILL, IND, WIS.</i>				
Oct. 29	5	4	1	3:20
<i>Details: One stoppage at ILL, MSU, NU, PSU.</i>				
Nov. 5	5	1	0	3:12
<i>Details: One stoppage at NU.</i>				
Nov. 12	5	3	0	3:05
<i>Details: One stoppage at OSU, PUR, WIS.</i>				
Nov. 19	5	2	1	3:08
<i>Details: One stoppage at IND, IOWA.</i>				
TOTALS	67	64	25	---

* includes OT game

includes 2OT game

NOTE: The average time of all Big Ten games using instant replay in 2004 was 3:16, compared to 3:13 for all games in 2003.

NOTING THE BIG TEN, CONT.

Worst to First: Penn State became the third Big Ten program in the last six years to win a conference crown just one season after placing ninth or worse in the league standings. The Nittany Lions produced a 2-6 record during the 2004 campaign to tie for ninth place, only to improve to a 7-1 mark and a conference title in 2005. Illinois produced a similar reversal of fortunes four years ago, winning the 2001 championship with a 7-1 record after tying for ninth at 2-6 in 2000. While the Illini were placing ninth in 2000, Northwestern earned a share of the Big Ten crown with a 6-2 mark just one year after ending the 1999 season in 10th place with a 1-7 record.

Spreading the Love: Parity has reigned over the Big Ten landscape for the last decade (1996-2005) with eight different teams winning the conference title either outright or as a co-champion: Illinois ('01), Iowa ('02, '04), Michigan ('97, '98, '00, '03, '04), Northwestern ('96, '00), Ohio State ('96, '98, '02, '05), Penn State ('05), Purdue ('00) and Wisconsin ('98, '99). The title has been shared by at least two teams six times in this span, with a pair of three-team ties in 1998 and 2000 and two teams atop the standings in 1996, 2002, 2004 and 2005.

Big Ten Championships for Current Coaches: Seven current league coaches have earned at least one Big Ten crown in their careers. The complete list is below:

- 5 Lloyd Carr, MICH (1997, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2004)
- 3 Barry Alvarez, WIS (1993, 1998, 1999)
- 2 Kirk Ferentz, IOWA (2002, 2004)
Jim Tressel, OSU (2002, 2005)
Joe Paterno, PSU (1994, 2005)
- 1 Randy Walker, NU (2000)
Joe Tiller, PUR (2000)

Big Ten Shatters Three Attendance Records: With three sellouts in the final weekend of Big Ten play, the conference established three attendance records while also surpassing the five million mark in total attendance for just the third time in league history. In 69 contests, the Big Ten averaged 72,566 patrons per outing which shattered the previous league best of 70,505 fans per game set in 2002. In addition, the conference's total attendance of 5,007,067 for all games ranks third in Big Ten annals behind only the 2002 (5,499,439 in 78 games) and 2003 (5,282,102 in 75 games) seasons. Big Ten programs also set records for total and average attendance in conference games only with 3,175,427 patrons in 44 contests for an average of 72,169 fans per outing. The previous league highs were 3,138,387 in total attendance and 71,326 per game, both established in 2001. Three of the five conference games were sold out last weekend, boosting the Big Ten's total number of packed houses to 38, which equals the second-highest single-season total in league history behind only the 39 sellouts posted last season. Ten of the Big Ten's 11 teams boast at least one sellout this season and the league sold out all five games the weekend of Oct. 15, which marked the first time the league featured packed stadiums for every game in a single week since at least the 1998 season. In addition, the conference set a single-day attendance record during the opening week of non-conference play with an average of 76,475 fans for eight home games, besting the previous record average of 70,270 patrons for eight games on Sept. 14, 1985.

Nation's Best Fans: Big Ten teams fill three of the top four spots in the final NCAA attendance rankings and seven conference programs rate among the top 30 in the country, which ranks second to the SEC (nine top 30 teams) among all leagues. Michigan led the nation with an average of 110,915 patrons per game while Ohio State ranked third (105,017) and Penn State rated fourth (104,859). Other Big Ten schools to appear among the top 30 in average attendance were Wisconsin (13th with 82,551), Michigan State (20th with 75,183), Iowa (21st with 70,585) and Purdue (26th with 62,996).

Welcome to the 10,000-Yard Club: Northwestern quarterback Brett Basanez became just the third signal caller in Big Ten history to hit the 10,000-yard plateau in career passing yardage. In the regular-season finale at Illinois, the Wildcats signal caller set a single-game school record by completing 80.6 percent of his pass attempts (25-of-31) for 240 yards and two touchdowns to boost his career passing yardage total to 10,164 stripes. He passed Purdue's Mark Herrman (9,946 yards) for third-place on the Big Ten career list behind only Purdue's Drew Brees (11,792) and Iowa's Chuck Long (10,461). Basanez also appears among the top four in passing attempts (2nd with 1,514) and completions (2nd with 875) and total offensive plays (3rd with 1,897) and yardage (3rd with 11,128). He is just the third player to appear among the top five in career passes, completions, passing yards, total offensive plays and total offensive yards along with Purdue's Brees and Kyle Orton.

Badgers' Williams Equals Return Mark: Wisconsin wideout Brandon Williams returned his 106th kickoff in the regular-season finale at Hawaii to equal Michigan State's Derrick Mason for first place on the Big Ten career charts. Williams also has 2,349 yards on kickoff returns in his time in Madison, a total that ranks second in conference annals behind Mason (2,575 yards). A complete list of current Big Ten players among the career leaders appears below.

Big Ten Individual Leaders . . . : With the Big Ten season now complete, the conference produced new statistical leaders in every major category during the 2005 campaign. Iowa's **Albert Young** rallied to become the first Hawkeye to lead the conference in rushing since Dennis Mosley in 1979. The sophomore running back, who ranked fifth among all rushers after five Big Ten games, climbed to second place on the charts entering the final weekend of play trailing only Minnesota's **Laurence Maroney**, whom the Hawkeyes were facing in the regular-season finale. In a matchup of the league's top two ground gainers, Young rushed for 103 yards while Maroney was limited to 10 yards before leaving the game in the first quarter after re-aggravating an ankle injury that forced him to miss the previous week's game. Young ends the season ranked first in league games only with 125.2 rushing yards per game, while Maroney tops the Big Ten in all games with 135.5 yards on the ground per outing. Ohio State's **Troy Smith** led the Big Ten in league games only with a 169.6 pass efficiency rating, making him the first Buckeye quarterback to lead the conference since Joe Germaine in 1998. Northwestern's **Brett Basanez** produced 339.4 yards of total offense per game to rank first in the league for the second time in his career after leading the way as a freshman in 2002 (250.3 ypg). He becomes just the second player in the last 20 years to average more than 300 yards of total offense per contest along with Purdue's Drew Brees, who accomplished the feat three times from 1998-2000. On the receiving end, **Dorien Bryant** become the fifth different Purdue wideout in the last seven years to top the Big Ten in receptions per game with 6.62 catches per outing in conference games only. The Boilermakers offense has produced the leading pass-catcher in six of the last seven seasons, a group that includes Taylor Stubblefield (2002, 2004), John Standeford (2003), Vinny Sutherland (2000) and Chris Daniels (1999). Wisconsin running back **Brian Calhoun** led the charge in scoring with 10.5 points per game, making him the first UW player to lead the league in points since Ron Dayne in 1999. And in punting, fellow-Badger **Ken DeBaucue** led the Big Ten with 44.4 yards per boot in conference contests only to end the two-year reign of Michigan State's **Brandon Fields**, who concluded the season ranked fourth with 41.0 yards per punt.

. . . and Team Leaders: In the team statistics, Ohio State dominated the defensive side of the ball while three different squads topped the charts in the major offensive categories. The Buckeyes led the Big Ten in league games only in scoring defense (14.8 ppg), total defense (271.1 ypg), rushing defense (80.8 ypg) and passing defense (190.4 ypg). The last conference school to rank first in all four categories was Michigan in 2001. The Buckeyes have now topped the conference in points, total yards and rushing yards allowed in three of the last six sea-

CURRENT PLAYERS ON BIG TEN CAREER RECORDS CHART

Passing Attempts			Kickoff Returns		
1,678	Brees, PUR	1997-00	106	Mason, MSU	1993-96
1,514	Basanez, NU	2002-present		Williams, WIS	2002-present
Passing Completions			Kickoff Return Yards		
1,026	Brees, PUR	1997-00	2,575	Mason, MSU	1993-96
875	Basanez, NU	2002-present	2,349	Williams, WIS	2002-present
Passing Yards			Punt Returns		
11,792	Brees, PUR	1997-00	124	Marciano, IOWA	1986-89
10,461	Long, IOWA	1981-85	109	Branch, PSU	1998-01
10,164	Basanez, NU	2002-present	105	Leonhard, WIS	2001-04
Total Offense - Plays			98	Boston, OSU	1996-98
1,931	Brees, PUR	1997-00	96	Musso, NU	1994-97
1,917	Randle EI, IND	1998-01	94	Usher, ILL	1985-87
1,897	Basanez, NU	2002-present	93	Wilson, ILL	1999-02
Total Offense - Yards			91	Breaston, MICH	2003-present
12,692	Brees, PUR	1997-00	Punt Return Yards		
11,364	Randle EI, IND	1998-01	1,347	Leonhard, WIS	2001-04
11,128	Basanez, NU	2002-present	1,195	Breaston, MICH	2003-present
			Punt Return TDs		
			5	Dwight, IOWA	1994-97
				Ginn, Jr., OSU	2004-present

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sons, including the 2000 and 2003 campaigns. OSU led in scoring defense four times in that six-year span (2005, 2003, 2002, 2000), ranked first in total defense on four occasions (2005, 2003, 2002, 2000) and topped the league in rushing defense three times (2005, 2003, 2000). However, the annual leader in passing defense in the Big Ten records book is determined by pass efficiency rating and Penn State (104.1) edged Ohio State (111.7) for the top spot in that category. The Nittany Lions also led the league in defensive pass efficiency last season with a rating of 92.8. On the offensive side of the ball, Northwestern was the only Big Ten unit to rank among the top five in points, total yards, rushing yards and passing yards per game. The Wildcats topped the conference in both total offense (494.0 ypg) and passing offense (306.6 ypg) while rating fourth in scoring offense (31.6 ppg) and fifth in rushing offense (187.4 ypg). Northwestern ranked first in total and passing offense for just the second time in school annals and the first time since the 1950 squad accomplished the feat. NU most recently led the way in total yardage in 2000 while topping the charts through the air in 1973. Minnesota led the Big Ten with 259.2 rushing yards per outing in 2005 league games, ranking first for the second time in three years (2003). Penn State put up more points than any other league outfit this season with 35.2 points per contest in Big Ten games to lead the way in scoring for the first time since setting the conference record in 1994 (48.1 ppg).

Gophers' Rushing Feat: In addition to leading the Big Ten in rushing, Minnesota became the first program in NCAA history to produce a pair of 1,000-yard rushers in three consecutive seasons. First-team All-Big Ten choice **Laurence Maroney** is the constant in that three-year span, tallying 1,355 yards in 2005 to become only the third player in Big Ten history to break the 1,000-yard mark in each of his first three seasons, joining Wisconsin's Ron Dayne and Michigan State's Sedrick Irvin. Maroney ranks second in school history with 3,824 yards on the ground for his career, a total that is just 388 yards shy of cracking the league's top-10 rushing leaders. Sophomore **Gary Russell** was the second Gopher to hit 1,000 rushing yards this season with a career-best 1,045 stripes. Maroney was joined by Marion Barber III with over 1,000 rushing yards in 2004 and 2003.

Badgers' Two-Way Threat: Wisconsin running back **Brian Calhoun** also entered the conference records book this season. The junior leads the league with 1,423 rushing yards while ranking third on the team with 563 yards receiving to become just the second player in Big Ten history to surpass 1,000 yards on the ground and 500 yards through the air. The only other league player to accomplish that feat was Iowa's Ronnie Harmon with 1,166 rushing yards and 699 receiving yards in 1985.

Putting Points on the Board: Big Ten offenses produced points at a record pace during the 2005 season with eight teams averaging 30 or more points per outing and all 11 teams tallying an average of 30.3 points per game, the highest totals for the league since at least 1990. The Big Ten's previous high over the last 15 seasons occurred when six teams averaged 30 points or better in 1999, while the highest average for the entire league was the 28.5 points per contest produced in 2002. Eight conference attacks are rated among the top 36 scoring

offenses in the country including Minnesota (10th at 36.2 ppg), Penn State (12th at 35.2), Wisconsin (13th at 35.2), Michigan State (T17th at 33.8), Ohio State (27th at 32.5), Northwestern (32nd at 31.8), Iowa (34th at 30.5) and Purdue (T36th at 30.0).

The 500-Yard Club?: The Big Ten features some of the most productive offensive attacks in league history with three programs racking up more than 490 yards of total offense per game. Minnesota leads the conference (fifth nationally) with 497.8 yards per contest, which ranks second in Big Ten annals behind only the Penn State attack that produced 512.7 yards per game in 1994. Michigan State (497.3 ypg; sixth nationally, fourth in league history) and Northwestern (492.7 ypg; eighth nationally, seventh in league history) have also produced more than 490 yards of total offense per contest this season.

A New Golden Age of Coaching?: With Alvarez, Paterno and Carr in the century club, the Big Ten features three active coaches with 100 or more wins at their respective institutions for the first time in more than 85 years. The last time that three league coaches all ended a season with 100 or more wins at their schools was in 1921 when Chicago's Amos Alonzo Stagg (158 wins at the time), Michigan's Fielding Yost (137) and Minnesota's Henry Williams (136) accomplished the feat. The conference coaching roster for 1921 also featured Illinois' Robert Zuppke, who had only 70 wins at the end of that season but would go on to rack up 131 triumphs in his career. The complete list of coaches to win 100 games at a Big Ten institution appears to the right.

BIG TEN CENTURY CLUB

<u>Coach, Team</u>	<u>Seasons</u>	<u>Record</u>
Woody Hayes, OSU	28	205-61-10
Amos Alonzo Stagg, CHI*	37	199-94-22
Bo Schembechler, MICH	21	194-48-5
Fielding Yost, MICH	25	165-29-10
Hayden Fry, IOWA	20	143-89-6
Henry Williams, MINN	22	136-33-11
Robert Zuppke, ILL	29	131-81-13
Barry Alvarez, WIS	16th	117-73-4
John Cooper, OSU	13	111-43-4
Duffy Daugherty, MSU	19	109-69-5
Joe Paterno, PSU*	13th	106-50-0
Lloyd Carr, MICH	11th	102-33-0

* Record while member of Big Ten only

Big Ten on TV: The 2005 campaign featured the most televised contests in conference history for an 11-game season, with 68 of 70 home football games appearing on television. That total included all 44 intraconference and 24 interconference games televised by either ABC Sports, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Plus, ESPNU, ESPN Classic or ESPN360. Six interconference road games were also televised bringing to 74 the number of Big Ten football games that appeared on television.

RECORD NUMBER OF FOOTBALL ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN SELECTIONS

As the fall term of the 2005-06 school year ended, the Big Ten recognized a total of 159 football student-athletes who have been named to the Academic All-Conference Team, the highest single-season total in conference history. The previous record of 137 Academic All-Big Ten honorees was established during the 2002 season. To be eligible for Academic All-Big Ten selection, student-athletes must be letterwinners in at least their second academic year at their institution and carry a career grade-point average (GPA) of 3.0 or better. The list of the 2005 football honorees, with Academic All-America selections in bold, follows:

Arthur Boyd III, Brian Brosnan, Brian Grzelakowski, J Leman, Walter Mendenhall, Ryan McDonald, Scott Moss, Josh Norris, Martin O'Donnell, Jason Reda, JJ Simmons, ILL; Tyson Beattie, Lance Bennett, Paul Haan, Adam Hines, Will Lumpkin, **Will Meyers**, Eric McClurg, Graeme McFarland, Casey Nowinski, Patrick Oldham, John Pannozzo, Russ Richardson, Chris Rudanovic, Josiah Sears, Austin Starr, Kyle Thomas, Kevin Trulock, Yamar Washington, IND; Adam Shada, CJ Barkema, Andrew Becker, Bret Chinander, **Michael Elgin**, Andrew Fenstermaker, Michael Humpal, Michael Klinkenborg, Matt Kroul, Ryan Majerus, Matt Melloy, Daniel Olszta, Cy Phillips, Kevin Sherlock, Paul Wilson, IOWA; **Jason Avant**, James Bloomsburgh, Alijah Bradley, Doug Dutch, Tyler Ecker, Matt Gutierrez, Will Johnson, Craig Moore, Ross Ryan, Paul Sarantos, David Schoonover, Mark Spencer, Charles Stewart, Carl Tabb, Jeremy Van Alstyne, MICH; Kiel Beltinck, Todd Boleski, Kyle Brown, Brian Bury, Pete Clifford, Cole Corey, Deon Curry, Tom Dance, Brandon Fields, Brett Kahn, Travis Key, Justin Kershaw, **Chris Morris**, Jelani Nantambu, Gordon Niebyski, Eric Smith, **Drew Stanton**, Kaleb Thornhill, MSU; Anthony Brinkhaus, Patrick Cheney, **Greg Eslinger**, Jeremy Faue, Jason Lamers, **Mark Losli**, Patrick McCarthy, Robert McGarry, Todd Meisel, Mark Mullaney, Tony Mortenson, Logan Payne, Jarod Posthumus, John Shevlin, Steve Shidell, Matt Spaeth, Tyson Swaggert, MINN; C.J. Bacher, Brett Basanez, Vince Clarke, Joel Howells, Rejaie Johnson, Ryan Pederson, Nick Roach, Ben Rothrauff, Frederic Tarver, NU; Alex Barrow, Doug Datish, Marcus Freeman, Roy Hall, Derek Harden, Ted Ginn Jr., Anthony Gonzalez, Dionte Johnson, Curt Lukens, Nick Mangold, Drew Norman, Nick Patterson, Joel Penton, Steve Rehiring, Brandon Schnittker, Jon Skinner, Antonio Smith, Stan White Jr., OSU; Gerald Cadogan, Joseph Cianciolo, Daniel Corrado, Joshua Gaines, Jason Ganter, Andrew Kubic, Nolan McCready, Michael Pawlikowski, **Paul Posluszny**, Curtis Reese, Michael Robinson, John Royse, Tyrell Sales, Timothy Shaw, Adam Senk, Patrick Weber, Brent Wise, Jeremy Zwierzynski, PSU; Ryan Baker, Dan Bick, Charles Davis, Jermaine Gynn, John Lampert, Brian Mattaway, Lance Melvin, Mike Otto, Matt Turner, PUR; Jason Chapman, Andy Crooks, Casey Hogan, Paul Joran, Allen Langford, Joel Nellis, Mike Newkirk, Jason Pociask, Ben Strickland, Luke Swan, Joe Thomas, WIS.

BIG TEN BOWL CAPSULES



ALAMO BOWL

No. 20/21 MICHIGAN
vs. Nebraska

Wednesday, Dec. 28, 2005 • 8 p.m. EST • ESPN

Announcers: Mike Tirico, Kirk Herbstreit, Erin Andrews
San Antonio, Texas - Alamodome (65,000)

Series: Michigan leads 3-1-1

Last Meeting: Jan. 1, 1986: Michigan 27, Nebraska 23 (Fiesta Bowl)

MICHIGAN (7-4 overall, 5-3 Big Ten/T3rd)

Coach: Lloyd Carr

Career: 102-33 (11th year)

At Michigan: Same

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Mike Hart (131-588 yards, 4 TDs) and

Kevin Grady (116-466 yards, 5 TDs)

Pass: Chad Henne (339-202-2,256 yards, 20 TDs)

Rec.: Jason Avant (74-936 yards, 8 TDs)

Defense: Situational

Tackles: David Harris (80 tackles)

Sacks: LaMarr Woodley (5.5-54 yards)

Int.: Brandon Harrison (2-47 yards), Willis Barringer (2-14 yards),

Leon Hall (2-10 yards) and Grant Mason (2-0 yards)

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Nebraska (7-4 overall, 4-4 Big 12 North/T2nd)

Coach: Bill Callahan

Career record: 12-10 (2nd year)

At Nebraska: Same

Offense: West Coast Offense

Rush: Cory Ross (197-721 yards, 4 TDs)

Pass: Zac Taylor (399-223-2,486 yards, 16 TDs)

Rec.: Nate Swift (42-610 yards, 6 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Corey McKeon (87 tackles)

Sacks: Adam Carriker (9.5-84 yards)

Int.: Corey McKeon (3-57 yards, TD)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	Maine	W, 25-7
Sept. 10	Wake Forest	W, 31-3
Sept. 17	Pittsburgh	W, 7-6
Oct. 1	Iowa State	W, 27-20 (2OT)
Oct. 8	Texas Tech	L, 31-34
Oct. 15	at Baylor	W, 23-14
Oct. 22	at Missouri	L, 24-41
Oct. 29	Oklahoma	L, 24-31
Nov. 5	at Kansas	L, 15-40
Nov. 12	Kansas State	W, 27-25
Nov. 25	at Colorado	W, 30-3

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MUSIC CITY BOWL

MINNESOTA
vs. Virginia

Friday, Dec. 30, 2005 • Noon EST • ESPN

Announcers: Dave Pasch, Rod Gilmore, Trevor Matich, Stacy Dales-Schuman
Nashville, Tenn. - The Coliseum (67,000)

Series: First Meeting

MINNESOTA (7-4 overall, 4-4 Big Ten/7th)

Coach: Glen Mason

Career: 117-113-1 (20th year)

At Minnesota: 58-49 (9th year)

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Laurence Maroney (255-1,355 yards, 10 TDs) and

Gary Russell (164-1,045 yards, 18 TDs)

Pass: Bryan Cupito (269-158-2,267 yards, 15 TDs)

Rec.: Logan Payne (37-529 yards, 2 TDs) and

Ernie Wheelwright (30-448 yards, 4 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: John Pawiowski (83 tackles)

Sacks: Steve Davis (6-35 yards)

Int.: Seven players with one interception

Further Information: Contact Minnesota SID Shane Sandersfeld at (612) 625-4090 or via email at sande102@umn.edu

Virginia (6-5 overall, 3-5 ACC Coastal/5th)

Coach: Al Groh

Career record: 62-66 (11th year)

At Virginia: 36-26 (5th year)

Offense: Multiple Pro-Style

Rush: Wali Lundy (128-515 yards, 8 TDs)

Pass: Marques Hagans (311-188-2,134 yards, 12 TDs)

Rec.: Deyon Williams (52-679 yards, 6 TDs)

Defense: 3-4

Tackles: Kai Parham (89 tackles)

Sacks: Kai Parham (8.5-50 yards)

Int.: Marcus Hamilton (5-28 yards)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	Western Michigan	W, 31-19
Sept. 17	at Syracuse	W, 27-24
Sept. 24	Duke	W, 38-7
Oct. 1	at Maryland	L, 33-45
Oct. 8	at Boston College	L, 17-28
Oct. 15	Florida State	W, 26-21
Oct. 22	at North Carolina	L, 5-7
Nov. 5	Temple	W, 51-3
Nov. 12	Georgia Tech	W, 27-17
Nov. 19	Virginia Tech	L, 14-52
Nov. 26	at Miami (Fla.)	L, 17-25

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BIG TEN BOWL CAPSULES



SUN BOWL

NORTHWESTERN

vs. No. 17/17 UCLA

Friday, Dec. 30, 2005 • 2 p.m. EST • CBS

Announcers: Verne Lundquist, Todd Blackledge, Tracy Wolfson
El Paso, Texas - Sun Bowl Stadium (50,426)

Series: Northwestern leads 3-2

Last Meeting: Sept. 26, 1970: UCLA 12, Northwestern 7

NORTHWESTERN (7-4 overall, 5-3 Big Ten/T3rd)

Coach: Randy Walker

Career: 96-80-5 (16th year)

At Northwestern: 37-45 (7th year)

Offense: Multiple I

Rush: Tyrell Sutton (232-1,390 yards, 16 TDs)

Pass: Brett Basanez (427-276-3,206 yards, 19 TDs)

Rec.: Shaun Herbert (72-801 yards, 5 TDs)

Defense: Multiple 4-3

Tackles: Tim McGarigle (139 tackles)

Sacks: Tim McGarigle (2-11 yards),

Kevin Mims (2-7 yards) and Mark Koehn (2-2 yards)

Int.: Marquice Cole (5-64 yards)

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UCLA (9-2 overall, 6-2 Pac-10/3rd)

Coach: Karl Dorrell

Career record: 21-15 (3rd year)

At UCLA: 21-15 (3rd year)

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Maurice Drew (183-900 yards, 13 TDs)

Pass: Drew Olson (354-232-3,055 yards, 31 TDs)

Rec.: Mercedes Lewis (58-741 yards, 10 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Spencer Havner (92 tackles)

Sacks: Justin Hickman (5.5-28 yards)

Int.: Spencer Havner (2-37 yards)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	at San Diego State	W, 44-21
Sept. 10	Rice	W, 63-21
Sept. 17	Oklahoma	W, 41-24
Oct. 1	Washington	W, 21-17
Oct. 8	California	W, 47-40
Oct. 15	at Washington State	W, 44-41 (OT)
Oct. 22	Oregon State	W, 51-28
Oct. 29	at Stanford	W, 30-27 (OT)
Nov. 5	at Arizona	L, 14-52
Nov. 12	Arizona State	W, 45-35
Dec. 3	at USC	L, 19-66

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OUTBACK BOWL

No. 25/25 IOWA

vs. No. 16/18 Florida

Monday, Jan. 2, 2006 • 11 a.m. EST • ESPN

Announcers: Mark Jones, Chris Spielman, Rob Stone
Tampa, Fla. - Raymond James Stadium (65,657)

Series: Tied at 1-1

Last Meeting: Jan. 1, 2004: Iowa 37, Florida 17 (Outback Bowl)

IOWA (7-4 overall, 5-3 Big Ten/T3rd)

Coach: Kirk Ferentz

Career: 61-56 (10th year)

At Iowa: 49-35 (7th year)

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Albert Young (236-1,300 yards, 8 TDs)

Pass: Drew Tate (297-187-2,482 yards, 19 TDs)

Rec.: Scott Chandler (40-463 yards, 2 TDs) and
Clinton Solomon (39-704 yards, 6 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Chad Greenway (147 tackles)

Sacks: Kenny Iwebema (7-38 yards)

Int.: Jovon Johnson (3-18 yards, TD) and

Adam Shada (3-9 yards)

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Florida (8-3 overall, 5-3 SEC East/T2nd)

Coach: Urban Meyer

Career record: 47-11 (5th year)

At Florida: 8-3 (1st year)

Offense: Spread

Rush: DeShawn Wynn (122-587 yards, 7 TDs)

Pass: Chris Leak (334-210-2,361 yards, 18 TDs)

Rec.: Chad Jackson (81-824 yards, 9 TDs)

Defense: Multiple, 4-3

Tackles: Earl Everett (67 tackles)

Sacks: Jarvis Moss (7.5-54 yards)

Int.: Jarvis Herring (2-26 yards), Earl Everett (2-7 yards),

Vernell Brown (2-3 yards) and Kyle Jackson (2-0 yards)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	Wyoming	W, 32-14
Sept. 10	Louisiana Tech	W, 41-3
Sept. 17	Tennessee	W, 16-7
Sept. 24	at Kentucky	W, 49-28
Oct. 1	at Alabama	L, 3-31
Oct. 8	Mississippi State	W, 35-9
Oct. 15	at LSU	L, 17-21
Oct. 29	vs. Georgia	W, 14-10
Nov. 5	Vanderbilt	W, 49-42 (OT)
Nov. 12	at South Carolina	L, 22-30
Nov. 26	Florida State	W, 34-7

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BIG TEN BOWL CAPSULES



CAPITAL ONE BOWL

No. 21/20 WISCONSIN
vs. No. 7/7 Auburn

Monday, Jan. 2, 2006 • 1 p.m. EST • ABC

Announcers: Ron Franklin, Bob Davie, Holly Rowe
Orlando, Fla. - Florida Citrus Bowl Stadium (65,438)

Series: Auburn leads 1-0-1

Last Meeting: Dec. 31, 2003: Auburn 28, Wisconsin 14 (Music City Bowl)

WISCONSIN (9-3 overall, 5-3 Big Ten/T3rd)

Coach: Barry Alvarez

Career: 117-73-4 (16th year)

At Wisconsin: Same

Offense: Multiple One- and Two-Back Sets

Rush: Brian Calhoun (318-1,423 yards, 21 TDs)

Pass: John Stocco (301-182-2,619 yards, 19 TDs)

Rec.: Brandon Williams (53-922 yards, 5 TDs),

Brian Calhoun (52-563 yards, 2 TDs) and

Jonathan Orr (36-614 yards, 8 TDs)

Defense: Multiple

Tackles: Dontez Sanders (89 tackles)

Sacks: Nick Hayden (4.5-22 yards)

Int.: Roderic Rogers (3-94 yards, TD) and

Jack Ikegwuonu (3-63 yards, TD)

Further Information: Contact Wisconsin SID Justin Doherty at (608) 262-1811 or via email at jmd@athletics.wisc.edu

Auburn (9-2 overall, 7-1 SEC West/T1st)

Coach: Tommy Tuberville

Career record: 85-46 (11th year)

At Auburn: 60-26 (7th year)

Offense: Hybrid of West Coast Offense

Rush: Kenny Irons (234-1,205 yards, 13 TDs)

Pass: Brandon Cox (273-162-2,187 yards, 14 TDs)

Rec.: Ben Obomanu (28-295 yards, 5 TDs) and

Devin Aromashodu (24-478 yards, 4 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Will Herring (64 tackles)

Sacks: Stanley McClover (7-50 yards)

Int.: Eight players with one interception

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	Georgia Tech	L, 14-23
Sept. 10	Mississippi State	W, 28-0
Sept. 17	Ball State	W, 63-3
Sept. 24	Western Kentucky	W, 37-14
Oct. 1	South Carolina	W, 48-7
Oct. 15	at Arkansas	W, 34-17
Oct. 22	at LSU	L, 17-20 (OT)
Oct. 29	Mississippi	W, 27-3
Nov. 5	at Kentucky	W, 49-27
Nov. 12	at Georgia	W, 31-30
Nov. 19	Alabama	W, 28-18

Further Information: Contact Auburn SID Kirk Sampson at (334) 844-9800 or via email at sampska@auburn.edu



FIESTA BOWL

No. 4/4 OHIO STATE
vs. No. 5/6 Notre Dame

Monday, Jan. 2, 2006 • 5 p.m. EST • ABC

Announcers: Brent Musburger, Gary Danielson, Jack Arute
Tempe, Ariz. - Sun Devil Stadium (73,425)

Series: Tied at 2-2

Last Meeting: Sept. 28, 1996: Ohio State 29, Notre Dame 16

OHIO STATE (9-2 overall, 7-1 Big Ten/T1st)

Coach: Jim Tressel

Career: 184-70-2 (20th year)

At Ohio State: 49-13 (5th year)

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Antonio Pittman (222-1,195 yards, 6 TDs)

Pass: Troy Smith (209-130-1,940 yards, 14 TDs)

Rec.: Santonio Holmes (48-853 yards, 10 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: A.J. Hawk (109 tackles)

Sacks: Bobby Carpenter (8-65 yards)

Int.: Donte Whitner (2-26 yards, TD)

Further Information: Contact Ohio State SID Steve Snapp at (614) 292-6861 or via email at snapp.1@osu.edu

Notre Dame (9-2 overall)

Coach: Charlie Weis

Career: 9-2 (1st year)

At Notre Dame: Same

Offense: Pro Style

Rush: Darius Walker (237-1,106 yards, 6 TDs)

Pass: Brady Quinn (405-263-3,633 yards, 32 TDs)

Rec.: Jeff Samardzija (71-1,190 yards, 15 TDs) and

Maurice Stovall (60-1,023 yards, 11 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Brandon Hoyte (82 tackles)

Sacks: Victor Abiamiri (8-78 yards)

Int.: Tom Zbikowski (5-136 yards, 2 TDs)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 3	at Pittsburgh	W, 42-21
Sept. 10	at Michigan	W, 17-10
Sept. 17	Michigan State	L, 41-44 (OT)
Sept. 24	at Washington	W, 36-17
Oct. 1	at Purdue	W, 49-28
Oct. 15	USC	L, 31-34
Oct. 22	BYU	W, 49-23
Nov. 5	Tennessee	W, 41-21
Nov. 12	Navy	W, 42-21
Nov. 19	Syracuse	W, 34-10
Nov. 26	at Stanford	W, 38-31

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BIG TEN BOWL CAPSULES



ORANGE BOWL

No. 3/3 PENN STATE
vs. No. 22/22 Florida State

Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2006 • 8 p.m. EST • ABC
Announcers: Mike Tirico, Kirk Herbstreit, Erin Andrews
Miami, Fla. - Pro Player Stadium (72,230)
Series: Florida State leads 1-0-1
Last Meeting: Dec. 28, 1990:
Florida State 24, Penn State 17 (Blockbuster Bowl)

PENN STATE (10-1 overall, 7-1 Big Ten/T1st)

Coach: Joe Paterno

Career: 353-117-3 (40th year)
At Penn State: Same

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Tony Hunt (174-1,047 yards, 6 TDs)
Pass: Michael Robinson (272-141-2,097 yards, 16 TDs)
Rec.: Deon Butler (36-678 yards, 9 TDs)

Defense: Multiple

Tackles: Paul Posluszny (111 tackles)
Sacks: Tamba Hali (11-79 yards)
Int.: Alan Zemaitis (5-17 yards)

Further Information: Contact Penn State SID Jeff Nelson at
(814) 865-1757 or via email at jtn4@psu.edu

Florida State (8-4 overall, 5-3 ACC Atlantic/T1st)

Coach: Bobby Bowden

Career record: 359-106-4 (40th year)
At Florida State: 286-74-4 (30th year)

Offense: Pro Set

Rush: Lorenzo Booker (112-550 yards, 4 TDs)
Pass: Drew Weatherford (426-252-2,950 yards, 17 TDs)
Rec.: Chris Davis (48-611 yards, 5 TDs) and
Willie Reid (46-579 yards, TD)

Defense: 4-3 Multiple

Tackles: A.J. Nicholson (100 tackles)
Sacks: Brodrick Bunkley (9-45 yards)
Int.: Kyler Hall (3-38 yards) and Pat Watkins (3-34 yards)

2005 Schedule:

Sept. 5	Miami (Fla.)	W, 10-7
Sept. 10	The Citadel	W, 62-10
Sept. 17	at Boston College	W, 28-17
Oct. 1	Syracuse	W, 38-14
Oct. 8	Wake Forest	W, 41-24
Oct. 15	at Virginia	L, 21-26
Oct. 22	at Duke	W, 55-24
Oct. 29	Maryland	W, 35-27
Nov. 5	N.C. State	L, 15-20
Nov. 12	at Clemson	L, 14-35
Nov. 26	at Florida	L, 7-34
Dec. 3	vs. Virginia Tech	W, 27-22

Further Information: Contact Florida State SID Jeff Purinton at
(850) 644-1403 or via email at jpurinto@mailier.fsu.edu

CURRENT PLAYERS/TEAMS ON
BIG TEN SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS CHARTIndividual Total Offensive Plays

638	Brees, PUR	1998
633	Brees, PUR	1999
607	Brees, PUR	2000
579	Kustok, NU	2001
551	Smoker, MSU	2003
543	Basanez, NU	2004
532	Basanez, NU	2005

Individual Punt Return Average

25.6	Ginn, Jr., OSU (15-384)	2004
21.9	Hoernschemeyer, IND (29-635)	1943
21.8	Evans, WIS (13-283)	1949
	Gissendaner, NU (15-327)	1992
20.9	Hillenbrand, IND (23-481)	1942
18.7	Johnson, IOWA (12-224)	2005
	Zelina, OSU (23-431)	1969

Individual Total Offensive Yards

4,189	Brees, PUR	2000
4,176	Brees, PUR	1998
4,036	Brees, PUR	1999
3,672	Eason, ILL	1982
3,597	Basanez, NU	2005
3,589	Everett, PUR	1985
3,530	Hartlieb, IOWA	1988
3,487	Dicken, PUR	1987
3,415	Stanton, MSU	2005

Team Total Offense Yards Per Game

512.7	PSU (6,152 in 12)	1994
497.8	MINN (5,476 in 11)	2005
497.6	OSU (5,971 in 12)	1998
497.3	MSU (5,470 in 11)	2005
494.6	MINN (6,430 in 13)	2003
493.2	OSU (4,439 in 9)	1974
492.7	NU (5,420 in 11)	2005

Team Rushing Yards Per Game

349.9	OSU (4,199 in 12)	1974
345.3	MICH (4,144 in 12)	1976
331.5	MICH (3,978 in 12)	1971
289.2	MINN (3,759 in 13)	2003
287.5	WIS (3,162 in 11)	1974
279.9	MINN (3,079 in 11)	2005

Team Completion Percentage

.675	WIS (191-283)	1993
.661	MSU (252-381)	2005

Team Completions

377	PUR	1998
342	PUR	1999
315	PUR	2000
312	MSU	2003
297	PUR	2004
292	PUR	1985
290	ILL	1985

Individual Completion Percentage

.678	Bevell, WIS (187-276)	1993
.673	Yarema, MSU (200-297)	1986
.671	Long, IOWA (216-322)	1984
.670	Long, IOWA (260-338)	1985
.667	Stanton, MSU (236-354)	2005

Individual Rushing Touchdowns

26	Thompson, IND	1988
	Carter, PSU	1994
25	Johnson, OSU	1975
24	Thompson, IND	1989
	George, OSU	1995
23	Anderson, NU	2000
22	Byars, OSU	1984
21	Dayne, WIS	1996
	Calhoun, WIS	2005

284	IOWA	1988
282	MICH	2003
	NU	2005

Individual Total Touchdowns

26	Johnson, OSU	1975
	Thompson, IND	1988
	Carter, PSU	1994
25	Thompson, IND	1989
	George, OSU	1995
24	Byars, OSU	1984
23	Howard, MICH	1991
	Anderson, NU	2000
	Johnson, PSU	2002
	Calhoun, WIS	2005

Individual Points

156	Johnson, OSU	1975
	Thompson, IND	1988
	Carter, PSU	1994
154	Thompson, IND	1989
152	George, OSU	1995
144	Byars, OSU	1984
140	Johnson, PSU	2002
138	Howard, MICH	1991
	Anderson, NU	2000
	Calhoun, WIS	2005

2005-06 BOWL SCHEDULE

<u>Date</u>	<u>Bowl / Location</u>	<u>Time (TV)</u>	<u>Match-Up</u>
Tue., Dec. 20	New Orleans Bowl / Lafayette, La.	8 p.m. (ESPN)	Southern Miss vs. Arkansas State
Wed., Dec. 21	GMAC Bowl / Mobile, Ala.	8 p.m. (ESPN)	UTEP vs. Toledo
Thu., Dec. 22	Pioneer PureVision Las Vegas Bowl / Las Vegas, Nev.	8 p.m. (ESPN)	BYU vs. California
Thu., Dec. 22	San Diego County Credit Union Poinsettia Bowl / San Diego, Calif.	10:30 p.m. (ESPN2)	Colorado State vs. Navy
Fri., Dec. 23	Fort Worth Bowl / Fort Worth, Texas	8 p.m. (ESPN)	Kansas vs. Houston
Sat., Dec. 24	Sheraton Hawaii Bowl / Honolulu, Hawaii	8:30 p.m. (ESPN)	Nevada vs. UCF
Mon., Dec. 26	Motor City Bowl / Detroit, Mich.	4 p.m. (ESPN)	Memphis vs. Akron
Tue., Dec. 27	Champs Sports Bowl / Orlando, Fla.	5 p.m. (ESPN)	Clemson vs. Colorado
Tue., Dec. 27	Insight Bowl / Phoenix, Ariz.	8:30 p.m. (ESPN)	Arizona State vs. Rutgers
Wed., Dec. 28	MPC Computers Bowl / Boise, Idaho	4:30 p.m. (ESPN)	Boise State vs. Boston College
Wed., Dec. 28	MasterCard Alamo Bowl / San Antonio, Texas	8 p.m. (ESPN)	Michigan vs. Nebraska
Thu., Dec. 29	Emerald Bowl / San Francisco, Calif.	4:30 p.m. (ESPN)	Georgia Tech vs. Utah
Thu., Dec. 29	Pacific Life Holiday Bowl / San Diego, Calif.	8 p.m. (ESPN)	Oregon vs. Oklahoma
Fri., Dec. 30	Gaylord Hotels Music City Bowl / Nashville, Tenn.	Noon (ESPN)	Minnesota vs. Virginia
Fri., Dec. 30	Vitalis Sun Bowl / El Paso, Texas	2 p.m. (CBS)	Northwestern vs. UCLA
Fri., Dec. 30	Independence Bowl / Shreveport, La.	3:30 p.m. (ESPN)	South Carolina vs. Missouri
Fri., Dec. 30	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl / Atlanta, Ga.	7:30 p.m. (ESPN)	Miami (Fla.) vs. LSU
Sat., Dec. 31	Meineke Car Care Bowl / Charlotte, N.C.	11 a.m. (ESPN2)	South Florida vs. NC State
Sat., Dec. 31	AutoZone Liberty Bowl / Memphis, Tenn.	1 p.m. (ESPN)	Tulsa vs. Fresno State
Sat., Dec. 31	EV1.net Houston Bowl / Houston, Texas	2:30 p.m. (ESPN2)	TCU vs. Iowa State
Mon., Jan. 2	AT&T Cotton Bowl / Dallas, Texas	11 a.m. (FOX)	Texas Tech vs. Alabama
Mon., Jan. 2	Outback Bowl / Tampa, Fla.	11 a.m. (ESPN)	Iowa vs. Florida
Mon., Jan. 2	Toyota Gator Bowl / Jacksonville, Fla.	12:30 p.m. (NBC)	Louisville vs. Virginia Tech
Mon., Jan. 2	Capital One Bowl / Orlando, Fla.	1 p.m. (ABC)	Wisconsin vs. Auburn
Mon., Jan. 2	Tostitos Fiesta Bowl / Tempe, Ariz.	5 p.m. (ABC)	Notre Dame vs. Ohio State
Mon., Jan. 2	Nokia Sugar Bowl / Atlanta, Ga.	8:30 p.m. (ABC)	West Virginia vs. Georgia
Tue., Jan. 3	FedEx Orange Bowl / Miami, Fla.	8 p.m. (ABC)	Penn State vs. Florida State
Wed., Jan. 4	Rose Bowl / Pasadena, Calif.	8 p.m. (ABC)	USC vs. Texas

All times EST -- Big Ten games and dates in bold

BIG TEN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Big Ten teams have won 33 national championships all-time.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Years</u>
11	Michigan	1901-02-03-04-18-23-32-33-47-48-97
7	Ohio State	1942-54-57-61-68-70-2002
6	Minnesota	1934-35-36-40-41-60
4	Illinois	1914-19-23-27
4*	Michigan State	1955-57-65-66
<u>1</u>	<u>Iowa</u>	<u>1958</u>
33	TOTAL	

*As a Big Ten member

National Championships prior to Big Ten membership:

Michigan State (2; 1951-52), Penn State (2; 1982-86)

Along with the national titles listed to the left, Big Ten teams were also named national champions on 19 other occasions by other various poll selectors, which are recognized by the NCAA. Additional national championship selections include:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Years</u>
7	Ohio State	1933-44-69-73-74-75-98
4	Michigan	1910-64-73-85
3	Iowa	1921-22-60
2	Chicago	1905-13
1	Illinois	1951
1	Purdue	1931
<u>1</u>	<u>Wisconsin</u>	<u>1942</u>
19	TOTAL	

National Championships prior to Big Ten membership:

Penn State (3; 1911-12-69)

TEAM-BY-TEAM BOWL RESULTS

Iowa (11-8-1)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1956	Rose	W	35-19 Oregon State
1958	Rose	W	38-12 California
1981	Rose	L	0-28 Washington
1982	Peach	W	28-22 Tennessee
1983	Gator	L	6-14 Florida
1984	Freedom	W	55-17 Texas
1985	Rose	L	28-45 UCLA
1986	Holiday	W	39-38 San Diego State
1987	Holiday	W	20-19 Wyoming
1988	Peach	L	23-28 N.C. State
1990	Rose	L	34-46 Washington
1991	Holiday	T	13-13 Brigham Young
1993	Alamo	L	3-37 California
1995	Sun	W	38-18 Washington
1996	Alamo	W	27-0 Texas Tech
1997	Sun	L	7-17 Arizona State
2001	Alamo	W	19-16 Texas Tech
2002	Orange	L	17-38 USC
2003	Outback	W	37-17 Florida
2004	Capital One	W	30-25 LSU

Michigan (18-18)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1901	Rose	W	49-0 Stanford
1947	Rose	W	49-0 USC
1950	Rose	W	14-6 California
1964	Rose	W	34-7 Oregon State
1969	Rose	L	3-10 USC
1971	Rose	L	12-13 Stanford
1975	Orange	L	6-14 Oklahoma
1976	Rose	L	6-14 USC
1977	Rose	L	20-27 Washington
1978	Rose	L	10-17 USC
1979	Gator	L	15-17 North Carolina
1980	Rose	W	23-6 Washington
1981	Bluebonnet	W	33-14 UCLA
1982	Rose	L	14-24 UCLA
1983	Sugar	L	7-9 Auburn
1984	Holiday	L	17-24 Brigham Young
1985	Fiesta	W	27-23 Nebraska
1986	Rose	L	15-22 Arizona State
1987	Hall of Fame	W	28-24 Alabama
1988	Rose	W	22-14 USC
1989	Rose	L	10-17 USC
1990	Gator	W	35-3 Mississippi
1991	Rose	L	14-34 Washington
1992	Rose	W	38-31 Washington
1993	Hall of Fame	W	42-7 N.C. State
1994	Holiday	W	24-14 Colorado State
1995	Alamo	L	20-22 Texas A&M
1996	Outback	L	14-17 Alabama
1997	Rose	W	21-16 Washington State
1998	Citrus	W	45-31 Arkansas
1999	Orange	W	35-34 OT Alabama
2000	Citrus	W	31-28 Auburn
2001	Citrus	L	17-45 Tennessee
2002	Outback	W	38-30 Florida
2003	Rose	L	14-28 USC
2004	Rose	L	37-38 Texas

Minnesota (5-5)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1960	Rose	L	7-17 Washington
1961	Rose	W	21-3 UCLA
1977	Hall of Fame	L	7-17 Maryland
1985	Independence	W	20-13 Clemson
1986	Liberty	L	14-21 Tennessee
1999	Sun	L	20-24 Oregon
2000	Micronpc.com	L	30-38 N.C. State
2002	Music City	W	29-14 Arkansas
2003	Sun	W	31-30 Oregon
2004	Music City	W	20-16 Alabama

Northwestern (1-4)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1948	Rose	W	20-14 California
1995	Rose	L	32-41 USC
1996	Citrus	L	28-48 Tennessee
2000	Alamo	L	17-66 Nebraska
2003	Motor City	L	24-28 Bowling Green

Ohio State (17-19)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1920	Rose	L	0-28 California
1949	Rose	W	17-14 California
1954	Rose	W	20-7 USC
1957	Rose	W	10-7 Oregon
1968	Rose	W	27-16 USC
1970	Rose	L	17-27 Stanford
1972	Rose	L	17-42 USC
1973	Rose	W	42-21 USC
1974	Rose	L	17-18 USC
1975	Rose	L	10-23 UCLA
1976	Orange	W	27-10 Colorado
1977	Sugar	L	6-35 Alabama
1978	Gator	L	15-17 Clemson
1979	Rose	L	16-17 USC
1980	Fiesta	L	19-31 Penn State
1981	Liberty	W	31-28 Navy
1982	Holiday	W	47-17 Brigham Young
1983	Fiesta	W	28-23 Pittsburgh
1984	Rose	L	17-20 USC
1985	Florida Citrus	W	10-7 Brigham Young
1986	Cotton	W	28-12 Texas A&M
1989	Hall of Fame	L	14-31 Auburn
1990	Liberty	L	11-23 Air Force
1991	Hall of Fame	L	17-24 Syracuse
1992	Florida Citrus	L	14-21 Georgia
1993	Holiday	W	28-21 Brigham Young
1994	Florida Citrus	L	17-24 Alabama
1995	Florida Citrus	L	14-20 Tennessee
1996	Rose	W	20-17 Arizona State
1997	Sugar	L	14-31 Florida State
1998	Sugar	W	24-14 Texas A&M
2000	Outback	L	7-24 South Carolina
2001	Outback	L	28-31 South Carolina
2002	Fiesta	W	31-24 2OT Miami (FL)
2003	Fiesta	W	35-28 Kansas State
2004	Alamo	W	33-7 Oklahoma State

Penn State (23-12-2, 6-2*)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1922	Rose	L	3-14 USC
1947	Cotton	T	13-13 SMU
1959	Liberty	W	7-0 Alabama
1960	Liberty	W	41-12 Oregon
1961	Gator	W	30-15 Georgia Tech
1962	Gator	L	7-17 Florida
1967	Gator	T	17-17 Florida State
1968	Orange	W	15-14 Kansas
1969	Orange	W	10-3 Missouri

MOST RECENT BOWL APPEARANCES BY SCHOOL

School	Year	Bowl / Outcome
Illinois	2001	Sugar / Lost to LSU, 47-34
Indiana	1993	Independence / Lost to Va. Tech, 45-20
Iowa	2004	Capital One / Defeated LSU, 30-25
Michigan	2004	Rose / Lost to Texas, 38-37
Michigan State	2003	Alamo / Lost to Nebraska, 17-3
Minnesota	2004	Music City / Defeated Alabama, 20-16
Northwestern	2003	Motor City / Lost to Bowling Green, 28-24
Ohio State	2004	Alamo / Defeated Oklahoma State, 33-7
Penn State	2002	Capital One / Lost to Auburn, 13-9
Purdue	2004	Sun / Lost to Arizona State, 27-23
Wisconsin	2004	Outback / Lost to Georgia, 24-21

TEAM-BY-TEAM BOWL RESULTS, cont.

1971	Cotton	W	30-6	Texas
1972	Sugar	L	0-14	Oklahoma
1973	Orange	W	16-9	LSU
1974	Cotton	W	41-20	Baylor
1975	Sugar	L	6-13	Alabama
1976	Gator	L	9-20	Notre Dame
1977	Fiesta	W	42-30	Arizona State
1978	Sugar	L	7-14	Alabama
1979	Liberty	W	9-6	Tulane
1980	Fiesta	W	31-19	Ohio State
1981	Fiesta	W	26-10	USC
1982	Sugar	W	27-23	Georgia
1983	Aloha	W	13-10	Washington
1985	Orange	L	10-25	Oklahoma
1986	Fiesta	W	14-10	Miami (FL)
1987	Florida Citrus	L	10-35	Clemson
1989	Holiday	W	50-39	Brigham Young
1990	Blockbuster	L	17-24	Florida State
1991	Fiesta	W	42-17	Tennessee
1992	Blockbuster	L	3-24	Stanford
1993	Florida Citrus	W	31-13	Tennessee
1994	Rose	W	38-20	Oregon
1995	Outback	W	43-14	Auburn
1996	Fiesta	W	38-15	Texas
1997	Florida Citrus	L	6-21	Florida
1998	Outback	W	26-14	Kentucky
1999	Alamo	W	24-0	Texas A&M
2002	Capital One	L	9-13	Auburn

ALL-TIME BIG TEN RECORD IN THIS YEAR'S BOWLS

Bowl	Record	Streak	Last Big Ten Result
Orange	2-2	L1	2002: Southern California 38, IOWA 17
Fiesta	5-1	W5	2003: OHIO STATE 35, Kansas State 28
Capital One	7-8	W1	2004: IOWA 30, Louisiana State 25
Outback	7-9	L1	2004: Georgia 24, WISCONSIN 21
Alamo	7-4	W1	2004: OHIO STATE 33, Oklahoma State 7
Sun	5-6	L1	2004: Arizona State 27, PURDUE 23
Music City	2-1	W1	2004: MINNESOTA 20, Alabama 16

Wisconsin (8-8)

Season	Bowl	Result	Opponent
1952	Rose	L	0-7 USC
1959	Rose	L	8-44 Washington
1962	Rose	L	37-42 USC
1981	Garden State	L	21-28 Tennessee
1982	Independence	W	14-3 Kansas State
1984	Hall of Fame	L	19-20 Kentucky
1993	Rose	W	21-16 UCLA
1994	Hall of Fame	W	34-20 Duke
1996	Copper	W	38-10 Utah
1997	Outback	L	6-33 Georgia
1998	Rose	W	38-31 UCLA
1999	Rose	W	17-9 Stanford
2000	Sun	W	21-20 UCLA
2002	Alamo	W	31-28 OT Colorado
2003	Music City	L	14-28 Auburn
2004	Outback	L	21-24 Georgia

* As a Big Ten member

BIG TEN ALL-TIME RESULTS IN THIS SEASON'S BOWL GAMES

ALAMO BOWL

(San Antonio, Texas) 7-4

1993	California 37, IOWA 3
1995	Texas A&M 22, MICHIGAN 20
1996	IOWA 27, Texas Tech 0
1997	PURDUE 33, Oklahoma State 20
1998	PURDUE 37, Kansas State 34
1999	PENN STATE 24, Texas A&M 0
2000	Nebraska 66, NORTHWESTERN 17
2001	IOWA 19, Texas Tech 16
2002	WISCONSIN 31, Colorado 28, OT
2003	Nebraska 17, MICHIGAN STATE 3
2004	OHIO STATE 33, Oklahoma State 7

FIESTA BOWL

(Tempe, Ariz.) 5-1

1980	Penn State 31, OHIO STATE 19
1983	OHIO STATE 28, Pittsburgh 23
1985	MICHIGAN 27, Nebraska 23
1996	PENN STATE 38, Texas 15
2002	OHIO STATE 31, Miami (FL) 24, 2OT
2003	OHIO STATE 35, Kansas State 28

MUSIC CITY BOWL

(Nashville, Tenn.) 2-1

2002	MINNESOTA 29, Arkansas 14
2003	Auburn 28, WISCONSIN 14
2004	MINNESOTA 20, Alabama 16

ORANGE BOWL

(Miami, Fla.) 2-2

1975	Oklahoma 14, MICHIGAN 6
1976	OHIO STATE 27, Colorado 10
1999	MICHIGAN 35, Alabama 34, OT
2002	USC 38, IOWA 17

FLORIDA CITRUS BOWL/CAPITAL ONE BOWL

(Orlando, Fla.) 7-8

1985	OHIO STATE 10, Brigham Young 7
1989	ILLINOIS 31, Virginia 21
1992	Georgia 21, OHIO STATE 14
1993	PENN STATE 31, Tennessee 13
1994	Alabama 24, OHIO STATE 17
1995	Tennessee 20, OHIO STATE 14
1996	Tennessee 48, NORTHWESTERN 28
1997	Florida 21, PENN STATE 6
1998	MICHIGAN 45, Arkansas 31
1999	MICHIGAN STATE 37, Florida 34
2000	MICHIGAN 31, Auburn 28
2001	Tennessee 45, MICHIGAN 17
2002	Auburn 13, PENN STATE 9
2003	Georgia 34, PURDUE 27, OT
2004	IOWA 30, LSU 25

HALL OF FAME BOWL/OUTBACK BOWL

(Tampa, Fla.) 7-9

1987	MICHIGAN 28, Alabama 24
1989	Auburn 31, OHIO STATE 14
1990	Clemson 30, ILLINOIS 0
1991	Syracuse 24, OHIO STATE 17
1993	MICHIGAN 42, N.C. State
1994	WISCONSIN 34, Duke 20
1995	PENN STATE 43, Auburn 14
1996	Alabama 17, MICHIGAN 14
1997	Georgia 33, WISCONSIN 6
1998	PENN STATE 26, Kentucky 14
1999	Georgia 28, PURDUE 25, OT
2000	South Carolina 24, OHIO STATE 7
2001	South Carolina 31, OHIO STATE 28
2002	MICHIGAN 38, Florida 30
2003	IOWA 37, Florida 17
2004	Georgia 24, WISCONSIN 21

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(El Paso, Texas) 5-6

1990	MICHIGAN STATE 17, USC 16
1991	UCLA 6, ILLINOIS 3
1995	IOWA 38, Washington 18
1996	Stanford 38, MICHIGAN STATE 0
1997	Arizona State 17, IOWA 7
1999	Oregon 24, MINNESOTA 20
2000	WISCONSIN 21, UCLA 20
2001	Washington State 33, PURDUE 27
2002	PURDUE 34, Washington 24
2003	MINNESOTA 31, Oregon 30
2004	Arizona State 27, PURDUE 23

BIG TEN ANNOUNCES 2005 FOOTBALL ALL-CONFERENCE TEAMS AND INDIVIDUAL HONORS

Northwestern's Basanez and Penn State's Robinson Share Offensive Honors while Ohio State's Hawk Sweeps Defensive Player of the Year Accolades

The Big Ten announced the 2005 All-Conference football teams and individual award winners on Nov. 22 as selected by the coaches and a media panel. For just the sixth time since the award's inception in 1982, two different standouts were honored as the Big Ten Offensive Player of the Year in Northwestern's **Brett Basanez** (media) and Penn State's **Michael Robinson** (coaches). The Nittany Lions, who earned a share of the Big Ten title, picked up two more individual laurels when **Joe Paterno** was tabbed as the media's choice for the Dave McClain Coach of the Year while **Tamba Hali** was a unanimous selection by the coaches as the Defensive Lineman of the Year. Fellow league co-champion Ohio State also collected some hardware with **A.J. Hawk** sweeping Defensive Player of the Year accolades from both groups. The Wildcats picked up another individual award with **Tyrell Sutton** being tabbed the Freshman of the Year by both coaches and media, while the coaches honored Minnesota's **Greg Eslinger** as the Offensive Lineman of the Year.

Basanez and Robinson are the first players to share Offensive Player of the Year honors since 1998, when Ohio State's Joe Germaine and Purdue's Drew Brees split the end-of-year award. The Big Ten also featured at least two honorees in 1997, 1990, 1987 and 1985.

Robinson boosted the Nittany Lions to their second Big Ten championship since joining the conference in 1993 to become the third PSU player to earn Offensive Player of the Year laurels, along with Curtis Enis (1997) and Kerry Collins (1994). The senior quarterback led the Big Ten's top-scoring offense to 35.2 points per outing in league games only, an increase of more than three touchdowns over an offensive attack that ended the 2004 campaign ranked last in the conference (12.9 points per game). Robinson has already established a school record with 2,882 yards of total offense this season, shattering the previous mark set by Collins in 1994, and has been responsible for 27 touchdowns, just two shy of a new program-best.

Basanez is the first Northwestern player to collect Offensive Player of the Year accolades after helping the Wildcats return to a bowl game for the second time in his career. The senior quarterback guided an offense that led the way in league games only with 494 yards per outing. He also topped the Big Ten in total offense for the second time in his career with 339.4 yards per contest, making him just the second player in the last 20 years to average more than 300 yards per game along with Purdue's Brees. Basanez joined Brees and Iowa's Chuck Long as just the third signal caller in conference history to surpass 10,000 career passing yards and is one of only three players (along with Purdue's Brees and Kyle Orton) to appear among the top five in career passes, completions, passing yards, total offensive plays and total offensive yards.

Hawk became the third Ohio State standout in the last four years to earn Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year honors following Will Smith (2003) and Michael Doss (2002) and the fifth honoree in school history. The senior linebacker is the only defender to rank among the Big Ten's top five in tackles (5th at 9.9 per game), sacks (4th with 7.5) and tackles for loss (4th with 13.0) for all games. He has spearheaded an Ohio State attack that leads all schools in conference games only in scoring defense, total defense, rushing defense and passing defense, the first unit to accomplish that feat since Michigan in 2001. Hawk is a finalist for the Butkus, Lombardi and Walter Camp Player of the Year Awards and a semifinalist for the Bednarik Award and Lott Trophy.

Penn State claimed two other individual honors with Hali being tabbed as the Big Ten's Defensive Lineman of the Year and Paterno picking up his second Coach of the Year award. Hali is the third Nittany Lion to be honored as the Defensive Lineman of the Year along with Jimmy Kennedy (2002) and Courtney Brown (1999). The senior defensive end, who is a finalist for the Nagurski Trophy and Ted Hendricks Award, led the Big Ten in all games with 11 sacks and 17 tackles for loss. Paterno guided the Nittany Lions to a share of their second Big Ten title since joining the league in 1993, producing a 7-1 mark to finish atop the league standings just one year after placing ninth in the conference with a 2-6 record. In his 40th year as a head coach, Paterno collects his second Big Ten Coach of the Year laurel after being previously honored during a perfect season in 1994. The Dave McClain Big Ten Coach of the Year award is voted on by a conference media panel and is named for the late Wisconsin coach, who served at the Badgers' helm from 1978-1985. The league dedicated this award to his honor in 1986.

Sutton is the second Northwestern player to earn Big Ten Freshman of the Year honors and the first since Ed Sutter shared the award in 1988. The true freshman running back ranked among the nation's top 10 in both rushing and scoring this season, setting school freshman records with 126.4 rushing yards (second in league, fifth nationally) and 9.8 points (third in league, ninth nationally) per game. For the year, Sutton has produced a conference-best 1,390 yards on the ground in all games, averaging 6.0 yards per carry with 18 total touchdowns.

Eslinger became the first Minnesota player to collect Big Ten Offensive Lineman of the Year honors after blocking for an attack that ranked among the league's top three in rushing yards (1st with 259.2 yards per game), total yards (2nd with 477.0 yards per game) and scoring (3rd with 31.9 points per game) in conference contests only. The senior is also only the fifth player in Gophers history to earn first team All-Conference honors in three straight seasons and the first since linebacker Billy Light accomplished the feat from 1970-72.

Overall, there are 19 individuals repeating as members of the All-Big Ten first or second team from a year ago, including eight first-team selections from 2004 who are on this year's first team - Iowa's **Chad Greenway**, Michigan's **Matt Lentz**, **Adam Stenavich** and **Gabe Watson**, Minnesota's Eslinger, **Laurence Maroney** and **Mark Setterstrom** and Ohio State's Hawk. Eslinger and Hawk are the only three-time first-team All-Big Ten honorees, as Hawk is the first Buckeye to earn three straight selections since Doss from 2000-02.

The conference office also announced honorees from each team for the Big Ten Sportsmanship Award. The student-athletes chosen are individuals who have distinguished themselves through sportsmanship and ethical behavior. In addition, the student-athletes must be in good academic standing and have demonstrated good citizenship outside of the sports-competition setting. Honorees for football are **J Leman** of Illinois, **Russ Richardson** of Indiana, **Abdul Hodge** of Iowa, **Carl Tabb** of Michigan, **Kyle Brown** of Michigan State, Eslinger of Minnesota, Basanez of Northwestern, **Nate Salley** of Ohio State, Robinson of Penn State, **Brandon Villarreal** of Purdue and **Jonathan Orr** of Wisconsin. These 11 student-athletes are now candidates for the Big Ten Sportsmanship Award, as the conference office will honor one male and one female student-athlete from each institution at the end of the school year.

A complete listing of the 2005 All-Big Ten Teams and individual honors follows.

2005 All-Big Ten Conference Football Team
As selected by CONFERENCE COACHES
(Players in ALL CAPS have 2006 eligibility)

FIRST TEAM

Brett Basanez, Northwestern
 LAURENCE MARONEY, Minnesota*
 BRIAN CALHOUN, Wisconsin
 Jason Avant, Michigan
 SANTONIO HOLMES, Ohio State
 Greg Eslinger, Minnesota
 Mark Setterstrom, Minnesota
 Rob Sims, Ohio State
 LEVI BROWN, Penn State
 JOE THOMAS, Wisconsin
 MATT SPAETH, Minnesota
 Josh Huston, Ohio State

OFFENSE

Quarterback
 Running Back
 Running Back
 Receiver
 Receiver
 Center
 Guard
 Guard
 Tackle
 Tackle
 Tight End
 Kicker

SECOND TEAM

Michael Robinson, Penn State
 TYRELL SUTTON, Northwestern
 TONY HUNT, Penn State
 Mark Philmore, Northwestern
 Brandon Williams, Wisconsin
 Nick Mangold, Ohio State
 Matt Lentz, Michigan
 JORDAN GRIMES, Purdue
 Adam Stenavich, Michigan
 Zach Strief, Northwestern
 Tim Massaquoi, Michigan
 KYLE SCHLICHER, Iowa

FIRST TEAM

Gabe Watson, Michigan
 Mike Kudla, Ohio State
 Tamba Hali, Penn State*
 Scott Paxson, Penn State

DEFENSE

Line
 Line
 Line
 Line

 Linebacker
 Linebacker
 Linebacker
 Defensive Back
 Defensive Back
 Defensive Back
 Defensive Back

 Punter

SECOND TEAM

Victor Adeyanju, Indiana
 Anthony Montgomery, Minnesota
 Barry Cofield, Northwestern
 QUINN PITCOCK, Ohio State (tie)
 Rob Ninkovich, Purdue (tie)
 Abdul Hodge, Iowa
 Tim McGarigle, Northwestern
 Bobby Carpenter, Ohio State
 Jovon Johnson, Iowa
 LEON HALL, Michigan
 Eric Smith, Michigan State

 Steve Weatherford, Illinois

HONORABLE MENTION: ILLINOIS: Ryan Matha; IOWA: Antwan Allen, Ed Hinkel, KENNY IWEBEMA, MARCUS PASCHAL, ALBERT YOUNG; MICHIGAN: PRESCOTT BURGESS, TYLER ECKER, Leo Henige, Grant Mason, Pat Massey, GARRETT RIVAS, LAMARR WOODLEY; MICHIGAN STATE: Domata Peko, JERRAMY SCOTT, Stefon Wheeler; MINNESOTA: TONY BRINKHAUS, Keith Lipka, GARY RUSSELL; NORTHWESTERN: MARQUICE COLE, Herschel Henderson; OHIO STATE: Marcus Green, ANTONIO PITTMAN, Anthony Schlegel, TROY SMITH; PENN STATE: JAY ALFORD, DEON BUTLER, Chris Harrell, JEREMY KAPINOS, Matthew Rice; PURDUE: DORIEN BRYANT, MIKE OTTO, SEAN SESTER, Brandon Villarreal; WISCONSIN: Jason Pociask, JOE STELLMACHER.

OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: Michael Robinson, Penn State
OFFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE YEAR: Greg Eslinger, Minnesota
DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE YEAR: A.J. Hawk, Ohio State
DEFENSIVE LINEMAN OF THE YEAR: Tamba Hali, Penn State*
FRESHMAN OF THE YEAR: TYRELL SUTTON, Northwestern

*Denotes unanimous selection

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 LAURENCE MARONEY, Minnesota
 BRIAN CALHOUN, Wisconsin
 Jason Avant, Michigan
 SANTONIO HOLMES, Ohio State
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 Alan Zemaitis, Penn State
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 Calvin Lowry, Penn State
 RODERICK ROGERS, Wisconsin
 Steve Weatherford, Illinois

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DAVE McCLAIN COACH OF THE YEAR: Joe Paterno, Penn State

*Denotes unanimous selection

Big Ten Sportsmanship Award Honorees: J LEMAN, ILL; Russ Richardson, IND; Abdul Hodge, IOWA; Carl Tabb, MICH; Kyle Brown, MSU; Greg Eslinger, MINN; Brett Basanez, NU; Nate Salley, OSU; Michael Robinson, PSU; Brandon Villarreal, PUR; Jonathan Orr, WIS.

BIG TEN COACHES ALL-TIME TOP WINNING RECORDS

(Record in all games played while a member of the Big Ten; 10-year minimum)

<u>Coach, Team</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Seasons</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>PCT</u>
Fielding Yost, MICH	25	1901-23, 1925-26	165-29-10	.833
Bo Schembechler, MICH	21	1969-89	194-48-5	.796
Henry Williams, MINN	22	1900-21	136-33-11	.786
Fritz Crisler, MINN-MICH	12	1930-31, 1938-47	81-23-4	.769
Woody Hayes, OSU	28	1951-78	205-61-10	.761
Lloyd Carr, MICH	11th	1995-	102-33-0	.756
Bernie Bierman, MINN	16	1932-41, 1945-50	93-35-6	.716
John Cooper, OSU	13	1988-2000	111-43-4	.715
John Wilce, OSU	16	1913-28	78-33-9	.688
Joe Paterno, PSU	13th	1993-	106-50-0	.679
Jack Mollenkopf, PUR	14	1956-69	84-39-9	.670
Amos Alonzo Stagg, CHI	37	1896-32	199-94-22	.667
Bennie Oosterbaan, MICH	11	1948-58	63-33-4	.650
Hayden Fry, IOWA	20	1979-98	143-89-6	.613
Barry Alvarez, WIS	16th	1990-	117-73-4	.613
Robert Zuppke, ILL	29	1913-41	131-81-13	.611
Duffy Daugherty, MSU	19	1954-72	109-69-5	.609
Glenn Thistlewaite, NU-WIS	10	1922-26, 1927-31	47-33-4	.583
Bo McMillan, IND	14	1934-47	63-48-11	.561
Bump Elliott, MICH	10	1959-68	51-42-2	.547
George Perles, MSU	12	1983-94	73-61-4	.544
Milt Bruhn, WIS	11	1956-66	52-45-6	.534
Ray Elliott, ILL	18	1942-59	83-73-11	.530
Murray Warmath, MINN	18	1954-71	86-78-7	.528
Pappy Waldorf, NU	12	1935-46	49-45-7	.520

Current Coaches Nearing the 10-Year Mark:

Joe Tiller, PUR	9th	1997-	67-43-0	.609
Glen Mason, MINN	9th	1997-	58-49-0	.542

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

<u>Coach, School</u>	<u>Career (Yrs)</u>	<u>At School (Yrs)</u>	<u>Big Ten Only</u>
Ron Zook, ILL	25-23 (4th)	2-9 (1st)	0-8
Terry Hoepfner, IND	52-32 (7th)	4-7 (1st)	1-7
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	61-56 (10th)	49-35 (7th)	32-24
Lloyd Carr, MICH	102-33 (11th)	102-33 (11th)	68-20
John L. Smith, MSU	128-78 (17th)	18-18 (3rd)	11-13
Glen Mason, MINN	117-113-1 (20th)	58-49 (9th)	29-43
Randy Walker, NU	96-80-5 (16th)	37-45 (7th)	24-32
Jim Tressel, OSU	184-70-2 (20th)	49-13 (5th)	30-10
Joe Paterno, PSU	353-117-3 (40th)	353-117-3 (40th)	64-40
Joe Tiller, PUR	106-73-1 (15th)	67-43 (9th)	43-29
Barry Alvarez, WIS	117-73-4 (16th)	117-73-4 (16th)	65-60-3

BIG TEN IN THE POLLS (ASSOCIATED PRESS/USA TODAY)

	<u>ILL</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>IOWA</u>	<u>MICH</u>	<u>MSU</u>	<u>MINN</u>	<u>NU</u>	<u>OSU</u>	<u>PSU</u>	<u>PUR</u>	<u>WIS</u>
Preseason	-/-	-/-	11/10	4/4	-/RV	RV/RV	-/-	6/9	RV/RV	15/16	RV/RV
Sept. 6	-/-	-/-	8/8	3/3	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/RV	4/7	RV/RV	13/13	RV/RV
Sept. 12	-/-	-/-	22/21	14/14	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/RV	9/9	RV/RV	12/11	RV/RV
Sept. 19	-/-	-/-	21/21	14/13	17/22	RV/RV	-/-	8/9	RV/RV	11/10	RV/24
Sept. 26	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	11/12	18/19	-/-	8/8	RV/RV	22/20	17/17
Oct. 3	-/-	-/-	RV/-	21/24	19/19	RV/RV	-/-	6/6	16/18	RV/RV	14/14
Oct. 10	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	16/17	22/22	RV/RV	15/15	8/10	-/-	23/23
Oct. 17	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	22/22	RV/25	RV/RV	14/13	12/14	-/-	19/17
Oct. 24	-/-	-/-	RV/-	25/RV	-/-	RV/22	21/23	12/13	11/12	-/-	15/15
Oct. 31	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	22/23	-/RV	RV/RV	RV/RV	12/12	10/11	-/-	14/14
Nov. 7	-/-	-/-	RV/-	21/22	-/-	RV/RV	25/RV	10/10	6/6	-/-	19/19
Nov. 14	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	17/17	-/-	RV/RV	RV/-	9/9	5/5	-/-	25/24
Nov. 21	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	22/23	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	7/7	4/4	-/-	24/22
Nov. 28	-/-	-/-	25/25	20/21	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	6/6	4/4	-/-	21/20
Dec. 5	-/-	-/-	25/25	20/21	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	4/4	3/3	-/-	21/20
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BIG TEN NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS IN 2005-06

(Number in parenthesis indicates total times that a Big Ten team will face an opponent from this conference.)

ACC (3)	1-0
Florida State (1)*	0-0
North Carolina (1)	1-0
Virginia (1)*	0-0
Big 12 (3)	0-2
Iowa State (1)	0-1
Nebraska (1)*	0-0
Texas (1)	0-1
Big East (3)	3-0
Cincinnati (1)	1-0
Rutgers (1)	1-0
South Florida (1)	1-0
Conference USA (1)	1-0
Tulsa (1)	1-0
Gateway (1)	1-0
Northern Iowa (1)	1-0
Mid-American (12)	12-0
Akron (1)	1-0
Ball State (1)	1-0
Bowling Green (1)	1-0
Central Michigan (2)	2-0
Eastern Michigan (1)	1-0
Kent State (1)	1-0
Miami (Ohio) (1)	1-0
Northern Illinois (2)	2-0
Ohio (1)	1-0
Temple (1)	1-0
Mountain West (2)	2-0
Colorado State (1)	1-0
San Diego State (1)	1-0
Pac-10 (4)	1-2
Arizona (1)	1-0
Arizona State (1)	0-1
California (1)	0-1
UCLA (1)*	0-0
SEC (3)	1-0
Auburn (1)*	0-0
Florida (1)*	0-0
Kentucky (1)	1-0
Southland (1)	1-0
Nicholls State (1)	1-0
Sun Belt (1)	1-0
Florida Atlantic (1)	1-0
WAC (3)	3-0
Hawaii (2)	2-0
San Jose State (1)	1-0
Independent (4)	1-2
Notre Dame (4)*	1-2
Total (41)	28-6 (.824)
Bowl (7)	0-0

* indicates bowl opponent

ASSOCIATED PRESS -- DEC. 5

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	PTS	Prev.
1. USC (56)	12-0	1616	1
2. Texas (9)	12-0	1569	2
3. Penn State	10-1	1483	4
4. Ohio State	9-2	1375	6
5. Notre Dame	9-2	1327	7
6. Oregon	10-1	1241	8
7. Auburn	9-2	1221	9
8. Georgia	10-2	1202	13
9. Miami	9-2	1098	10
10. LSU	10-2	1028	3
11. West Virginia	10-1	991	12
12. Virginia Tech	10-2	943	5
13. Alabama	9-2	813	14
14. TCU	10-1	790	15
15. Louisville	9-2	644	16
16. Florida	8-3	588	17
17. UCLA	9-2	542	11
18. Texas Tech	9-2	533	18
19. Boston College	8-3	410	19
20. Michigan	7-4	377	20
21. Wisconsin	9-3	325	21
22. Florida State	8-4	296	NR
23. Clemson	7-4	240	22
24. Georgia Tech	7-4	189	24
25. Iowa	7-4	86	25

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Oklahoma 66, South Carolina 56, Boise State 22, Fresno State 18, Nevada 8, California 5, **Northwestern 4**, UTEP 4, Nebraska 3, Toledo 3, Tulsa 3, **Minnesota 3**, Iowa State 2, Navy 1.

USA TODAY -- DEC. 5

Team (1st Place Votes)	Record	PTS	Prev.
1. USC (55)	12-0	1543	1
2. Texas (7)	12-0	1495	2
3. Penn State	10-1	1424	4
4. Ohio State	9-2	1300	6
5. Oregon	10-1	1234	8
6. Notre Dame	9-2	1219	7
7. Auburn	9-2	1141	9
8. Georgia	10-2	1097	13
9. Miami	9-2	1075	10
10. LSU	10-2	1002	3
11. West Virginia	10-1	959	12
12. Virginia Tech	10-2	955	5
13. Alabama	9-2	787	14
14. TCU	10-1	734	15
15. Texas Tech	9-2	636	16
16. Louisville	9-2	585	17
17. UCLA	9-2	531	11
18. Florida	8-3	530	18
19. Boston College	8-3	427	19
20. Wisconsin	9-3	399	20
21. Michigan	7-4	274	21
22. Florida State	8-4	256	NR
23. Clemson	7-4	191	23
24. Georgia Tech	7-4	114	24
25. Iowa	7-4	95	25

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Oklahoma 45, Boise State 26, **Northwestern 24**, South Carolina 20, Tulsa 7, **Minnesota 7**, Nevada 5, Fresno State 5, Iowa State 3, Nebraska 2, California 1, Toledo 1, Rutgers 1.

2005 BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES RANKINGS - FINAL

Rank	Team	Harris Rank	% of Votes	USA Today Rank	% of Votes	Computer Rank	% of Points	BCS Avg.	Prev. Rank
1.	Southern California	1	0.9950	1	0.9955	2	0.970	0.9868	1
2.	Texas	2	0.9650	2	0.9645	1	0.990	0.9732	2
3.	Penn State	3	0.9175	3	0.9187	3	0.920	0.9187	3
4.	Ohio State	4	0.8488	4	0.8387	4	0.880	0.8559	6
5.	Oregon	6	0.7805	5	0.7961	5	0.820	0.7989	7
6.	Notre Dame	5	0.8124	6	0.7865	T-10	0.600	0.7329	8
7.	Georgia	8	0.7267	8	0.7077	8	0.720	0.7182	13
8.	Miami (Fla.)	9	0.6874	9	0.6935	7	0.730	0.7037	9
9.	Auburn	7	0.7381	7	0.7361	12	0.550	0.6747	10
10.	Virginia Tech	11	0.6085	12	0.6161	6	0.790	0.6715	5
11.	West Virginia	12	0.5922	11	0.6187	9	0.710	0.6403	11
12.	LSU	10	0.6414	10	0.6465	T-10	0.600	0.6293	4
13.	Alabama	13	0.5136	13	0.5077	18	0.340	0.4538	15
14.	TCU	14	0.4701	14	0.4735	17	0.390	0.4445	14
15.	Texas Tech	15	0.4060	15	0.4103	13	0.470	0.4288	16
16.	UCLA	T-17	0.3554	17	0.3426	T-14	0.410	0.3693	12
17.	Florida	T-17	0.3554	18	0.3419	21	0.220	0.3058	17
18.	Wisconsin	20	0.2389	20	0.2574	T-14	0.410	0.3021	18
19.	Louisville	16	0.3596	16	0.3774	NR	0.050	0.2624	21
20.	Michigan	21	0.1968	21	0.1768	16	0.400	0.2579	19
21.	Boston College	19	0.2701	19	0.2755	22	0.190	0.2452	20
22.	Florida State	22	0.1678	22	0.1652	NR	0.000	0.1110	NR
23.	Oklahoma	26	0.0308	26	0.0290	T-19	0.240	0.0999	23
24.	Georgia Tech	24	0.0998	24	0.0735	25	0.110	0.0945	24
25.	Northwestern	T-29	0.0106	28	0.0155	T-19	0.240	0.0887	22

EXPLANATION: To derive a team's poll percentages in the Harris Interactive and USA Today polls, each team's point total is divided by a maximum 2825 possible points in the Harris Interactive Poll and 1525 possible points in the USA Today Poll. Teams are assigned an inverse point total (25 for #1, 24 for #2, etc.) for each of their respective computer poll rankings to determine the overall computer component. The highest and lowest ranking for each team is dropped, and the sum total of the remaining four rankings is divided by 100 (the maximum possible points). This figure produces a Computer Rankings Percentage. The six computer ranking providers are Anderson & Hester, Richard Billingsley, Colley Matrix, Kenneth Massey, Jeff Sagarin and Peter Wolfe. Each computer ranking accounts for schedule strength within its formula. The BCS Average is calculated by averaging the percent totals of the Harris Interactive and USA Today Polls, and Computer rankings. The highest BCS Average receives the #1 ranking, the second highest receives #2, and so forth.

2005 WEEK-BY-WEEK ATTENDANCE

Date	Games	OVERALL			CONFERENCE			
		Total	Average	SO	Games	Total	Average	SO
Sept. 3	8	611,800	76,475*	4	---	---	---	---
Sept. 10	10	688,495	68,850	4	---	---	---	---
Sept. 17	6	465,854	77,642	3	---	---	---	---
Sept. 24	5	312,227	62,445	2	5	312,227	62,445	2
Oct. 1	5	404,411	80,882	4	4	338,920	84,730	3
Oct. 8	5	355,429	71,086	3	5	355,429	71,086	3
Oct. 15#	5	414,911	82,982	5	5	414,911	82,982	5
Oct. 22	5	333,548	66,710	3	5	333,548	66,710	3
Oct. 29	5	337,643	67,529	2	5	337,643	67,529	2
Nov. 5	5	342,337	68,467	2	5	342,337	68,467	2
Nov. 12	5	401,743	80,349	3	5	401,743	80,349	3
Nov. 19	5	338,669	67,734	3	5	338,669	67,734	3
Totals:	69	5,007,067	72,566&	38	44	3,175,427&	72,169&	26

& Single-Season Attendance Record

* Single-Day Attendance Record

First time every game sold out since at least 1998

2005 TEAM-BY-TEAM ATTENDANCE

Date	Games	OVERALL			CONFERENCE			
		Total	Average	SO	Games	Total	Average	SO
Illinois	6	287,113	47,852	0	4	187,725	46,931	0
Indiana	6	237,214	39,536	1	4	169,374	42,344	1
Iowa	6	423,510	70,585	6	4	282,340	70,585	4
Michigan	7	776,405	110,915	7	4	444,537	111,134	4
Michigan State	6	451,097	75,183	2	4	303,105	75,766	2
Minnesota	6	294,147	49,025	1	4	213,217	53,304	1
Northwestern	6	195,163	32,527	1	4	139,934	34,984	1
Ohio State	7	735,120	105,017	7	4	420,327	105,082	4
Penn State	7	734,013	104,859	3	4	435,775	108,944	3
Purdue	6	377,977	62,996	4	4	247,729	61,932	2
Wisconsin	6	495,308	82,551	6	4	331,364	82,841	4

ALL-TIME BIG TEN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

42	Michigan	1898-01c-02-03c-04c-06c-18c-22c-23c-25-26c-30c-31c-32c-33c-43c-47-48-49c-50-64-69c-71-72c-73c-74c-76c-77c-78c-80-82-86c-88-89-90c-91-92-97-98c-00c-03-04c
30	Ohio State	1916-17-20-35c-39-42-44-49c-54-55-57-61-68-69c-70-72c-73c-74c-75-76c-77c-79-81c-84-86c-93c-96c-98c-02c-05c
18	Minnesota	1900c-03c-04c-06c-09-10c-11-15c-27c-33c-34-35c-37-38-40-41-60c-67c
15	Illinois	1910c-14-15c-18c-19-23c-27c-28-46-51-53c-63-83-90c-01
11	Iowa	1900c-21-22c-56-58-60c-81c-85-90c-02c-04c
11	Wisconsin	1896-97-01c-06c-12-52c-59-62-93c-98c-99
8	Northwestern	1903c-26c-30c-31c-36-95-96c-00c
8	Purdue	1918c-29-31c-32c-43c-52c-67c-00c
7	Chicago	1899-05-07-08-13-22c-24
6	Michigan State	1953c-65-66-78c-87-90c
2	Indiana	1945-67c
2	Penn State	1994-05c

c - co-championship

2005 PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Sept. 5

O: Brian Calhoun, WIS: Exploded for a career-high 258 rushing yards on 43 carries and tied a school record with five TDs against Bowling Green in his first game in a UW uniform; His five TDs ranked fourth in Big Ten history.

D: John Pannozzo, IND: In first game since moving from fullback position, tallied six tackles, racked up three TFLs (including a 14-yard sack) and forced a fumble in a win over Central Michigan.

S: Jeremy Kapinos, PSU: Placed three of five punts inside the 20-yard line and averaged 42.2 yards, including a 60-yard effort vs. South Florida.

Sept. 12

O: Tyrell Sutton, NU: Became the first freshman in NU history to earn league POW honors after setting career highs with 214 yards on 30 carries and four TDs, including the game-clinching score with 62 seconds left against NIU.

D: A.J. Hawk, OSU: In a narrow loss to No. 2 Texas, racked up 12 tackles, three TFLs (including two sacks), one interception, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery to earn the second weekly accolade of his career.

S: Marquice Cole, NU: Returned two punts for 101 yards, including an 81-yard TD, the fourth-longest return in school annals, against Northern Illinois.

S: Brandon Williams, WIS: Returned four punts for 105 yards, including a 66-yard TD, and one kickoff 38 yards against Temple.

Sept. 19

O: Drew Stanton, MSU: Accounted for 375 yards of total offense and four touchdowns in a 44-41 overtime victory at No. 10/12 Notre Dame; Completed 16 of 27 passes (59.3 pct.) for 327 yards and three touchdowns while also running 14 times for 48 yards and another score.

D: Chad Greenway, IOWA: Collected a career-high 20 tackles (12 solo) against Northern Iowa while adding a tackle for loss and a pass breakup.

S: Ken DeBauche, WIS: Averaged 46.7 yards on seven punts, including four kicks placed inside the 20-yard line, in a win at North Carolina.

Sept. 26

O: Drew Stanton, MSU: In only three quarters of work, completed 20 of 26 passes (77 percent) for 259 yards and a school-record five TDs at Illinois.

O: Laurence Maroney, MINN: Set career highs in carries (46), rushing yards (217), receptions (5) and receiving yards (59) and totaled 333 all-purpose yards to lead Minnesota to a double-OT victory over nationally-ranked Purdue.

D: Paul Posluszny, PSU: Racked up a career-high 22 tackles (14 solo), the most by a PSU player since 1974, in a road victory at Northwestern.

S: Joel Howells, NU: Set school record with five field goals vs. PSU, equaling his career long with a 46-yarder and matching the NU record with 17 points.

Oct. 3

O: Mike Hart, MICH: Returned after missing two games due to injury to break loose for 218 yards on 36 carries and a touchdown to lead Michigan to an overtime road win at nationally-ranked Michigan State.

D: Abdul Hodge, IOWA: Career-best 18 tackles (11 solo) and two TFLs while holding Illinois to just one touchdown.

D: Paul Posluszny, PSU: Recorded nine tackles (two solo) and 1.5 TFLs to help hold Minnesota's offense to only 113 rushing yards, 213 below its national-best average, and 14 points, 32 below its average output.

S: Brandon Williams, WIS: Returned four punts for 86 yards (21.5 avg.), including a 63-yard touchdown, and one kickoff for 21 yards vs. Indiana.

Oct. 10

O: Brett Basanez, NU: Accounted for 430 of NU's school-record 674 yards, including connecting on 26 of 36 passes for 361 yards and three TDs and adding 69 rushing yards and another score in victory over Wisconsin.

D: Tim McGarigle, NU: Racked up a career-best 25 tackles, one shy of the official NCAA record, and added 3.5 TFLs, including two sacks, vs. Badgers.

D: Paul Posluszny, PSU: Collected 14 tackles and two TFLs, including a sack, as Penn State shut out OSU in the second half for the win.

S: Jason Giannini, MINN: Hit a career-best three field goals, including a 30-yarder with one second remaining in a 23-20 win at Michigan.

Oct. 17

O: Brett Basanez, NU: Totaled 506 yards of total offense, the eighth-best performance in league history, in first win at Purdue since 1995; Completed 37 of 55 passes (67.3 pct.) for 463 yards and three TDs and added 43 yards on the ground with another score.

D: Bobby Carpenter, OSU: Equaled a school record with four sacks (-27 yards) against Michigan State and added a season-high 11 tackles (seven solo).

S: Steve Breaston, MICH: Returned four kickoffs for 128 yards (32.0 avg.), including a 41-yarder with 58 seconds left to set up Michigan's last-second win.

S: Ashton Youboty, OSU: Picked up a blocked field goal and sprinted 72 yards for a TD to cut Michigan State's lead to 17-14 at the half and blocked a field goal in the fourth quarter which led to OSU's go-ahead score.

Oct. 24

O: Michael Robinson, PSU: Equaled the school record with six touchdowns in less than one half of play at Illinois; Completed 11 of 18 passes (61.1 pct.) for 194 yards and four TDs and ran seven times for 69 yards with two TDs.

D: Herschel Henderson, NU: Helped shut down Michigan State, the nation's third-ranked offense, with five tackles, a TFL and two interceptions.

S: Ted Ginn, Jr., OSU: Broke loose for 220 return yards at Indiana, including five punt returns for 110 yards and a 62-yard TD and three kickoff returns for 110 yards and a 73-yard return (which was a 98-yard TD negated by penalty).

Oct. 31

O: Antonio Pittman, OSU: Averaged 8.1 yards per carry and set a career-best with 186 yards on 23 attempts with two TDs in win at Minnesota.

O: Brian Calhoun, WIS: Matched his school record with five rushing TDs at Illinois and compiled 197 yards on 35 carries in the win.

D: Leon Hall, MICH: Totaled six tackles (four solo) and one TFL while also forcing and recovering a fumble and returning it 83 yards for a score at NU.

S: Demond Williams, MSU: Opened with a 98-yard kickoff return TD vs. Indiana and later blocked an extra point which was returned 75 yards for two points.

Nov. 7

O: Gary Russell, MINN: Set career highs in rushing attempts (28), yards (188) and TDs (3) while averaging 6.7 yards per carry in a win at Indiana.

D: Tamba Hali, PSU: Tallied a season-best nine tackles (three solo) and five TFLs, including a school-record four sacks, in a win over Wisconsin.

S: Joel Howells, NU: Successfully executed an onside kick with just over two minutes left to set up the game-winning score and connected on all four PATs, including the game-winner with 42 seconds remaining against Iowa.

Nov. 14

O: Amir Pinnix, MINN: In the absence of the Gophers' top two rushers, stepped in to set career highs in carries (32) and yards (206) while adding a touchdown in a victory over Michigan State.

D: Mitch King, IOWA: Set career-highs with 3.5 TFLs and two sacks, part of a six-tackle performance in a 20-10 road win at nationally-ranked Wisconsin.

S: Steve Breaston, MICH: Rolled up 201 all-purpose yards against Indiana in just one half of play, including 78 stripes on three punt returns (26.0 avg.), a 47-yard kickoff return and an 11-yard touchdown reception.

S: Dave Brytus, PUR: Placed three of four punts inside the 20-yard line while averaging 39 yards per boot in a victory over Illinois.

Nov. 21

O: Ed Hinkel, IOWA: Equaled a school record with four TD receptions while hauling in seven catches for 151 yards, all career-highs, vs. Minnesota.

O: Troy Smith, OSU: Led Buckeyes on a pair of fourth-quarter TD drives to rally OSU to a 25-21 win at Michigan and a share of the league crown; Set career high with 300 passing yards while completing 73 percent of his passes (27-of-37) and registering two TDs (one passing, one rushing).

D: Alan Zemaitis, PSU: Recorded a career-best three interceptions to go with seven tackles at MSU in helping PSU clinch its first Big Ten title since 1994.

D: Rob Ninkovich, PUR: Matched a league record with seven TFLs, including a school-record four sacks, while compiling 11 tackles and a forced fumble at IU.

S: Donnie Johnson, PSU: Blocked a punt that was returned for a TD at MSU.

Nov. 28

O: John Stocco, WIS: Completed 12 of 16 passes (75.0 pct.) for 191 yards and two TDs and ran for 26 yards and another TD in a victory at Hawaii.

D: Dontez Sanders, WIS: Collected three TFLs, including 2.5 sacks, while recording an interception and a pass breakup at Hawaii.

S: Taylor Mehlhaff, WIS: Connected on two-of-two field goals, both from 24 yards out, and added five PATs and four touchbacks on eight kickoffs.

ILLINOIS (2-9, 0-8)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 33-30	Rutgers (OT)	50,112
Sept. 10	W, 40-19	San Jose State	49,276
Sept. 17	L, 20-35	at No. 15/15 California	57,657
Sept. 24	L, 14-61	No. 17/22 Michigan State	51,469
Oct. 1	L, 7-35	at Iowa	70,585
Oct. 8	L, 13-36	at Indiana	35,829
Oct. 22	L, 10-63	No. 12/14 Penn State	52,633
Oct. 29	L, 24-41	No. 15/15 Wisconsin	52,158
Nov. 5	L, 2-40	at No. 12/12 Ohio State	104,799
Nov. 12	L, 3-37	at Purdue	57,611
Nov. 19	L, 21-38	Northwestern	31,465

INDIANA (4-7, 1-7)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 2	W, 20-13	at Central Michigan	22,212
Sept. 10	W, 35-31	Nicholls State	27,600
Sept. 17	W, 38-14	Kentucky	40,240
Oct. 1	L, 24-41	at No. 17/17 Wisconsin	82,330
Oct. 8	W, 36-13	Illinois	35,829
Oct. 15	L, 21-38	at Iowa	70,585
Oct. 22	L, 10-41	No. 14/13 Ohio State	52,866
Oct. 29	L, 15-46	at Michigan State	74,063
Nov. 5	L, 21-42	Minnesota	30,656
Nov. 12	L, 14-41	at No. 21/22 Michigan	110,580
Nov. 19	L, 14-41	Purdue	50,023

IOWA (7-4, 5-3)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 56-0	Ball State	70,585
Sept. 10	L, 3-23	at Iowa State	54,290
Sept. 17	W, 45-21	Northern Iowa	70,585
Sept. 24	L, 6-31	at No. 8/9 Ohio State	105,225
Oct. 1	W, 35-7	Illinois	70,585
Oct. 8	W, 34-17	at Purdue	64,785
Oct. 15	W, 38-21	Indiana	70,585
Oct. 22	L, 20-23	Michigan (OT)	70,585
Nov. 5	L, 27-28	at Northwestern	34,550
Nov. 12	W, 20-10	at No. 19/19 Wisconsin	83,184
Nov. 19	W, 52-28	Minnesota	70,585
Jan. 2		vs. No. 16/18 Florida Outback Bowl	

MICHIGAN (7-4, 5-3)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 33-17	Northern Illinois	110,971
Sept. 10	L, 10-17	No. 20/23 Notre Dame	111,386
Sept. 17	W, 55-0	Eastern Michigan	109,511
Sept. 24	L, 20-23	at No. -/24 Wisconsin	83,022
Oct. 1	W, 34-31	at No. 11/12 Michigan St. (OT)	79,401
Oct. 8	L, 20-23	Minnesota	111,117
Oct. 15	W, 27-25	No. 8/10 Penn State	111,249
Oct. 22	W, 23-20	at Iowa (OT)	70,585
Oct. 29	W, 33-17	at No. 21/23 Northwestern	47,130
Nov. 12	W, 41-14	Indiana	110,580
Nov. 19	L, 21-25	No. 9/9 Ohio State	111,591
Dec. 28		vs. Nebraska Alamo Bowl	

MICHIGAN STATE (5-6, 2-6)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 49-14	Kent State	73,949
Sept. 10	W, 42-14	Hawaii	74,043
Sept. 17	W, 44-41	at No. 10/12 Notre Dame (OT)	80,795
Sept. 24	W, 61-14	at Illinois	51,469
Oct. 1	L, 31-34	Michigan (OT)	79,401
Oct. 15	L, 24-35	at No. 15/15 Ohio State	105,122
Oct. 22	L, 14-49	Northwestern	74,636
Oct. 29	W, 46-15	Indiana	74,063
Nov. 5	L, 21-28	at Purdue	62,467
Nov. 12	L, 18-41	at Minnesota	45,187
Nov. 19	L, 22-31	No. 5/5 Penn State	75,005

MINNESOTA (7-4, 4-4)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 1	W, 41-10	at Tulsa	33,410
Sept. 10	W, 56-24	Colorado State	40,221
Sept. 17	W, 46-7	Florida Atlantic	40,709
Sept. 24	W, 42-35	No. 11/10 Purdue (2OT)	48,116
Oct. 1	L, 14-44	at Penn State	106,604
Oct. 8	W, 23-20	at No. 21/24 Michigan	111,117
Oct. 15	L, 34-38	No. 23/23 Wisconsin	65,089
Oct. 29	L, 31-45	No. 12/13 Ohio State	54,825
Nov. 5	W, 42-21	at Indiana	30,656
Nov. 12	W, 41-18	Michigan State	45,187
Nov. 19	L, 28-52	at Iowa	70,585
Dec. 30		vs. Virginia Music City Bowl	

NORTHWESTERN (7-4, 5-3)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 38-14	Ohio	20,115
Sept. 10	W, 38-37	Northern Illinois	35,114
Sept. 17	L, 21-52	at No. 18/22 Arizona State	55,029
Sept. 24	L, 29-34	Penn State	24,395
Oct. 8	W, 51-48	No. 14/14 Wisconsin	33,859
Oct. 15	W, 34-29	at Purdue	62,866
Oct. 22	W, 49-14	at No. 22/22 Michigan State	74,636
Oct. 29	L, 17-33	No. 25/- Michigan	47,130
Nov. 5	W, 28-27	Iowa	34,550
Nov. 12	L, 7-48	at No. 10/10 Ohio State	105,181
Nov. 19	W, 38-21	at Illinois	31,465
Dec. 30		vs. No. 17/17 UCLA Sun Bowl	

OHIO STATE (9-2, 7-1)
Big Ten Co-Champion

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 34-14	Miami (Ohio)	104,695
Sept. 10	L, 22-25	No. 2/2 Texas	105,565
Sept. 17	W, 27-6	San Diego State	104,533
Sept. 24	W, 31-6	No. 21/21 Iowa	105,225
Oct. 8	L, 10-17	at No. 16/18 Penn State	109,839
Oct. 15	W, 35-24	No. 16/17 Michigan State	105,122
Oct. 22	W, 41-10	at Indiana	52,866
Oct. 29	W, 45-31	at No. -/22 Minnesota	54,825
Nov. 5	W, 40-2	Illinois	104,799
Nov. 12	W, 48-7	Northwestern	105,181
Nov. 19	W, 25-21	at No. 17/17 Michigan	111,591
Jan. 2		vs. No. 5/6 Notre Dame Fiesta Bowl	

PENN STATE (10-1, 7-1)
Big Ten Co-Champion

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 23-13	South Florida	99,235
Sept. 10	W, 42-24	Cincinnati	98,727
Sept. 17	W, 40-3	Central Michigan	100,276
Sept. 24	W, 34-29	at Northwestern	24,395
Oct. 1	W, 44-14	No. 18/19 Minnesota	106,604
Oct. 8	W, 17-10	No. 6/6 Ohio State	109,839
Oct. 15	L, 25-27	at Michigan	111,249
Oct. 22	W, 63-10	at Illinois	52,633
Oct. 29	W, 33-15	Purdue	109,467
Nov. 5	W, 35-14	No. 14/14 Wisconsin	109,865
Nov. 19	W, 31-22	at Michigan State	75,005
Jan. 3		vs. No. 22/22 Florida State Orange Bowl	

PURDUE (5-6, 3-5)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 10	W, 49-24	Akron	64,757
Sept. 17	W, 31-24	at Arizona	56,400
Sept. 24	L, 35-42	at Minnesota (2OT)	48,116
Oct. 1	L, 28-49	No. 13/14 Notre Dame	65,491
Oct. 8	L, 17-34	Iowa	64,785
Oct. 15	L, 29-34	Northwestern	62,866
Oct. 22	L, 20-31	at No. 19/17 Wisconsin	82,828
Oct. 29	L, 15-33	at No. 11/12 Penn State	109,467
Nov. 5	W, 28-21	Michigan State	62,467
Nov. 12	W, 37-3	Illinois	57,611
Nov. 19	W, 41-14	at Indiana	50,023

WISCONSIN (9-3, 5-3)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 3	W, 56-42	Bowling Green	82,138
Sept. 10	W, 65-0	Temple	81,806
Sept. 17	W, 14-5	at North Carolina	60,000
Sept. 24	W, 23-20	No. 14/13 Michigan	83,022
Oct. 1	W, 41-24	Indiana	82,330
Oct. 8	L, 48-51	at Northwestern	33,859
Oct. 15	W, 38-34	at No. 22/22 Minnesota	65,089
Oct. 22	W, 31-20	Purdue	82,828
Oct. 29	W, 41-24	at Illinois	52,158
Nov. 5	L, 14-35	at No. 10/11 Penn State	109,865
Nov. 12	L, 10-20	Iowa	83,184
Nov. 25	W, 41-24	at Hawaii	34,031
Jan. 2		vs. No. 7/7 Auburn Capital One Bowl	

Note: Rankings reflect polls the week of the game (Associated Press/USA Today)