

WISCONSIN (12-1) TAKES THE LEAD HEADING INTO
FINAL WEEK OF NON-CONFERENCE PLAY;
IOWA'S HALUSKA CLAIMS POW ACCOLADES

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2006-07 CONFERENCE & OVERALL STANDINGS

	CONFERENCE GAMES						ALL GAMES						Top 25*	Last 10	Stk.
	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Stk.	W-L	PCT	H	A	N	Stk.			
Wisconsin	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L2	12-1	.923	10-0	1-0	1-1	2-0	9-1	W8	
Illinois	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W2	12-2	.857	8-1	0-0	4-1	0-2	8-2	W5	
Michigan State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	12-2	.857	10-0	0-1	2-1	1-0	8-2	W6	
Michigan	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L2	11-2	.846	10-0	1-2	0-0	0-1	8-2	L1	
Ohio State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W5	10-2	.833	8-0	0-2	2-0	0-2	8-2	L1	
Purdue	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L4	10-2	.833	8-0	0-0	2-2	1-2	8-2	W2	
Indiana	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W4	8-3	.727	6-0	0-2	2-1	0-1	7-3	W3	
Northwestern	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W1	8-3	.727	6-1	0-1	2-1	0-0	8-2	W2	
Penn State	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L1	8-4	.667	8-2	0-2	0-0	0-1	6-4	W1	
Iowa	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	W2	7-6	.538	6-1	0-3	1-2	0-1	5-5	W2	
Minnesota	0-0	.000	0-0	0-0	0-0	L3	5-8	.385	5-3	0-2	0-3	0-0	3-7	L1	

*AP or ESPN/USA Today polls

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

December

- | | |
|---|---|
| 19 ILLINOIS def. Missouri [6], 73-70
No. -/25 MICHIGAN STATE def. Belmont, 67-58
Tennessee Tech def. NORTHWESTERN [17], 66-65
No. 3/3 OHIO STATE def. Iowa State, 75-56
PURDUE def. Wagner, 95-56 | 23 IOWA def. Texas Southern, 90-63
No. 1/1 UCLA def. MICHIGAN, 92-55
No. -/25 MICHIGAN STATE
def. UW-Green Bay, 76-64
No. 5/4 Florida def. No. 3/3 OHIO STATE, 86-60
PENN STATE def. Maine, 75-42
No. 4/5 WISCONSIN def. Pacific, 83-47 |
| 20 INDIANA def. Western Michigan, 77-69
IOWA def. Georgia State, 101-59
NORTHWESTERN def. UPR-Mayaguez [17], 62-55 | [6] - Braggin' Rights Game at Scottrade Center in St. Louis, Mo.
[8] - at Conseco Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, Ind.
[17] - San Juan Shootout in San Juan, Puerto Rico |
| 21 ILLINOIS def. Idaho State, 71-60
NORTHWESTERN def. Utah [17], 77-44 | |
| 22 MINNESOTA def. UNLV, 62-58
INDIANA def. IUPUI [8], 86-57
PURDUE def. Texas A&M-CC, 79-61 | |

BIG TEN PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Adam Haluska, Iowa
Sr., G, Carroll, Iowa/Carroll

Haluska earns Player of the Week accolades after leading the Hawkeyes to a pair of victories while shooting over 57 percent from the field (20-of-35) and averaging 28.5 points per game last week. The senior forward tallied a career-high 36 points to help Iowa to a 101-59 victory over Georgia State. Haluska went 13-of-19 from the field (.684) and shot 6-of-11 from the three-point line (.545), while adding four assists and two steals in just 28 minutes of action. His 36-point performance matches the most scored by an Iowa player in Carver-Hawkeye Arena (Iowa's Rob Griffin scored 36 points in a win over Penn State on March 4, 2000). Haluska followed with another top performance against Texas Southern, notching 21 points and four rebounds. For the week, he shot 9-of-10 from the free throw line (.900) and made eight three-pointers, while adding five rebounds, five assists and two steals. Haluska, who currently ranks third in the conference in scoring (19.5 ppg), claims his second career weekly accolade after also being honored on Jan. 30, 2006.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

December

- 27 Loyola (Md.) at NORTHWESTERN
7 CST - XM 197
Gardner-Webb at No. 4/4 WISCONSIN
7 CST - XM 198 - ESPN360
- 28 Army at MICHIGAN
8 EST - ESPN Plus Local - Sirius 121
PURDUE at Indiana State
7 EST
- 29 ILLINOIS at Xavier
8 CST - ESPN2
- 30 Ball State at INDIANA
8 EST - ESPN Plus Local - XM 196
Cornell at IOWA
Noon CST - ESPN Plus Local - XM 198
Georgetown at MICHIGAN
Noon EST - ESPN2 - Sirius 110
Loyola (Md.) at No. -/25 MICHIGAN STATE
Noon EST - ESPN Plus Local - XM 197
SE Louisiana at MINNESOTA
1 CST - XM 197
Coppin State at No. 6/6 OHIO STATE
8 EST - ESPN Plus Local
VMI at PENN STATE
4 EST - XM 198 - ESPN360
SE Missouri State at PURDUE
7 EST - XM 199
- 31 Northwestern State at NORTHWESTERN
Noon CST - XM 197
No. 4/4 WISCONSIN at Georgia
Noon CST - ESPN Plus Local

BIG TEN TOURNAMENT HOTEL

Media representatives who plan on covering the 2007 Big Ten Men's Basketball



Tournament are advised that reservations are now being accepted at the Fairmont Chicago. Room rates are \$189 for a single or \$239 for a deluxe room.

Reservations can be made by calling the hotel at 312-565-6698 or by accessing the following website:

<https://www.fairmont.com/FA/en/CDA/Home/Secure/Reservations/CDRMRsvnMain/0,3043,,00.HTML?sPromoCode=GRBIG1&IPropertySeq=100114>

BIG TEN NOTES

Wisconsin Takes Big Ten Lead: Heading into the final week of non-conference action, Wisconsin leads the Big Ten with a 12-1 record. The Badgers are off to their best start under head coach **Bo Ryan** and 12-1 for the seventh time in school history. UW has won eight games in a row, including five consecutive victories against 2006 NCAA Tournament participants.

Some Scoring Trends...: Currently, two Big Ten standouts have reached double-figures in scoring in all games they have played in this season. Wisconsin's **Alando Tucker** leads the Big Ten with 13 straight games, while Purdue's **Carl Landry** has put up 12 consecutive double-figure scoring contests ... Ohio State is the only Big Ten team with five players averaging 10 points or more per game this season in **Daequan Cook** (15.3 ppg), **Ron Lewis** (14.8 ppg), **Greg Oden** (13.8 ppg), **Ivan Harris** (11.2 ppg) and **Mike Conley Jr.** (10.0 ppg) ... Three Big Ten teams have two players ranked among the conference's top 10 statistical leaders this season. In scoring, Iowa's **Adam Haluska** ranks third in the conference with 19.5 points per game, while teammate **Tyler Smith** is tied for seventh (15.4 ppg). Minnesota's **Lawrence McKenzie** is rated fifth in the conference (15.8 ppg) and is followed by teammate **Dan Coleman** in sixth place (15.5 ppg). The Ohio State duo of Cook (15.3 ppg) and Lewis (14.8 ppg) close out the top 10 in ninth and tenth place, respectively.

The Million Fan March: The Big Ten has surpassed the one million mark in attendance for the 36th consecutive season this week, as 1,107,900 fans have passed through the turnstiles in 93 home contests. Last year, the conference led the nation in attendance for the 30th-straight season with an average of 12,581 per game/session (2,186,322 total attendance). Overall, the conference has broken the two million mark in total attendance in each of the last 14 seasons.

Non-Conference Success: With 103 wins this season, the Big Ten has posted 100 or more non-conference victories prior to NCAA play for the second consecutive year. Last season, the conference tallied a 112-28 mark before heading into NCAA action. The Big Ten then closed out the season with the best out-of-conference winning percentage in over six years at .767 (115-35).

30-Plus Point Performances: Iowa's **Adam Haluska** captured a career-high 36 points in a 101-59 victory over Georgia State on Dec. 20, marking his second 30-plus point performance this season. (Haluska also tallied 31 against Coppin State on Dec. 2). Michigan State's **Drew Neitzel** and Wisconsin's **Alando Tucker** both registered conference season-bests of 32 points in their respective games on Dec. 16. Haluska, Neitzel and Tucker join two other Big Ten standouts who have scored 30 or more points this season - Ohio State's **Ron Lewis** (30 vs. North Carolina, Nov. 29) and Purdue's **Carl Landry** (30 vs. Oklahoma, Nov. 21).

Fastest to 100 Victories: Illinois' **Bruce Weber** won his 100th game at Illinois with a victory over Missouri on Dec. 19. It took him just 118 games to record his 100th victory, making him the fastest coach in Big Ten history to win 100 games at a conference school. The previous fastest was 120 games by Ohio State's Fred Taylor and Bobby Knight of Indiana.

Big Ten Coaching Milestones: Several Big Ten coaches are nearing career milestones this season. With a 98-72 mark in Ann Arbor, Michigan's **Tommy Amaker** needs just two wins to reach the 100 victory plateau and become the sixth head coach to reach that mark with the Wolverines. In his 16th year of coaching, Iowa head coach **Steve Alford** stands two wins away from claiming his 300th career victory with a 298-175 record.

Big Ten's Grand Company: Penn State's Geary Claxton (970) is vying to become the next member of the conference's 1,000 career point club. The junior forward is just 30 points from joining Michigan's **Lester Abram** (1,067), **Dion Harris** (1,296) and **Courtney Sims** (1,128), Wisconsin's **Alando Tucker** (1,770), Iowa's **Adam Haluska** (1,478), Ohio State's **Ron Lewis** (1,413) and Purdue's **David Teague**. After scoring 588 points during the 2005-06 season, Tucker is now aiming to become the first 2,000-point producer for the Big Ten since Indiana's A.J. Guyton tallied 2,100 points from 1997-00.

1,000 Career Point Club

Alando Tucker, WIS	1,770
Adam Haluska, IOWA**	1,478
Ron Lewis, OSU*	1,413
Dion Harris, MICH	1,296
Courtney Sims, MICH	1,128
Lester Abram, MICH	1,067
David Teague, PUR	1,017
Geary Claxton, PSU	970

* includes career at Bowling Green

** includes career at Iowa State

A Hoosier Milestone: Indiana is just three victories away from reaching the 1,600-career win benchmark. Only eight programs can boast that accomplishment, including Kentucky, North Carolina, Kansas, Duke, Syracuse, Temple, St. John's and Penn. The Hoosiers own a 1,597-868 (.648) all-time record in their 107th season of basketball. Among the Big Ten contingent, Indiana ranks first in all-time victories and is followed by Illinois (1,558-814; .657) and Purdue (1,519-888; .631).

Big Ten Action Begins Next Week: The 102nd year of conference play is set to begin with Ohio State defending its Big Ten title on Tuesday, Jan. 2, with a home matchup against Indiana. Six more teams will begin the race for the conference crown on Wednesday, Jan. 3, with Michigan hosting Illinois, Purdue traveling to Minnesota and Penn State welcoming Northwestern. Defending Big Ten Tournament Champion Iowa opens Big Ten play on Thursday, Jan. 4, with a home test against Michigan State. Wisconsin will be the final team to begin conference play, as the Badgers host the Golden Gophers on Saturday, Jan. 6. After claiming his first Big Ten Championship in just his second year in Columbus, 2006 Big Ten Coach of the Year **Thad Matta** will aim to lead the Ohio State Buckeyes to back-to-back conference crowns for the first time since the 1991 and 1992 campaigns. With a 12-4 record in Big Ten play last season, OSU earned its first outright championship since 1992.

BIG TEN TELECONFERENCES

When? -- Mondays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. (central). Weekly calls begin Jan 8 with the final call scheduled for March 5.

Who? -- Each Big Ten men's head coach is invited to participate on the weekly teleconference. Participation is not mandatory, so some coaches may not be available each week.

How? -- To participate, please call the Communications office for the access and play-back numbers. The call will be available for play-back for 24 hours following each teleconference. An archived version of the call will also be available to both media and fans on the Big Ten web site.

Schedule of Coaches:

9:00 a.m.	Kelvin Sampson, IND
9:10 a.m.	Steve Alford, IOWA
9:20 a.m.	Jim Molinari, MINN
9:30 a.m.	Bill Carmody, NU
9:40 a.m.	Ed DeChellis, PSU
9:50 a.m.	Matt Painter, PUR
10:00 a.m.	Tom Izzo, MSU
10:10 a.m.	Bo Ryan, WIS
10:20 a.m.	Tommy Amaker, MICH
10:30 a.m.	Thad Matta, OSU
10:40 a.m.	Bruce Weber, ILL
10:50 a.m.	Player of the Week (if available)

Big Ten Television Schedule: All 88 Big Ten Conference games are scheduled to be televised in 2007 with contests appearing on CBS, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPNU and ESPN Plus. The conference season will conclude with the 10th annual Big Ten Tournament, which is scheduled to take place Thursday through Sunday, March 8-11, at the United Center in Chicago. ESPN, ESPN2 and ESPN Plus will broadcast the first round and quarterfinal games while CBS will televise the semifinals and championship contests.

BIG TEN NOTES, CONT.

Big Ten Hosts 2007 NCAA First/Second Round: In 2007, the Big Ten will host the NCAA Men's Basketball Championship First and Second Rounds on Friday and Sunday, March 16 and 18, at the United Center in Chicago. It marks the third time in league history that the conference has played host to the NCAA Tournament as the Big Ten welcomed eight teams to the United Center in both 1998 and 2002. Ohio State will also host first and second rounds (March 16 and 18) next year at the Nationwide Arena in downtown Columbus.

Big Ten's "One-Plays": Every year, each Big Ten team will only meet four other conference teams once during league play. Here is the breakdown of "one-plays" for 2006-07:

Team	Home	Away
Illinois	PSU, PUR	OSU, WIS
Indiana	NU, OSU	MINN, WIS
Iowa	OSU, MICH	NU, PUR
Michigan	NU, WIS	IOWA, PSU
Michigan State	PSU, PUR	NU, MINN
Minnesota	IND, MSU	OSU, PSU
Northwestern	IOWA, MSU	IND, MICH
Ohio State	ILL, OSU	IND, IOWA
Penn State	MICH, M INN	ILL, PSU
Purdue	IOWA, WIS	ILL, MSU
Wisconsin	ILL, IND	MICH, PUR

IN THE POLLS (AP/USA TODAY)

	IL	IN	IA	MICH	MSU	MN	NU	OSU	PSU	PUR	WIS
Preseason	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/-	RV/RV	-/RV	-/-	-/-	7/4	-/-	-/-	9/9
Nov. 13	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/-	RV/RV	-/RV	-/-	-/-	5/4	-/-	RV/-	9/9
Nov. 20	RV/RV	RV/-	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	4/3	-/-	RV/-	7/7
Nov. 27	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	RV/RV	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	3/1	-/-	-/-	12/13
Dec. 4	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	RV/-	RV/25	-/-	-/-	5/4	-/-	RV/RV	11/12
Dec. 11	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	RV/-	RV/23	-/-	-/-	4/4	-/-	RV/RV	7/7
Dec. 18	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	RV/-	RV/25	-/-	-/-	3/3	-/-	RV/RV	4/5
Dec. 25	RV/RV	-/-	-/-	-/-	RV/25	-/-	-/-	6/6	-/-	RV/-	4/4

HOME ATTENDANCE

	Conference Games				All Games			
	G	Total	AVG	SO	G	Total	AVG	SO
Illinois	--	--	--	--	9	149,562	16,618	9
Indiana	--	--	--	--	6	93,322	15,554	0
Iowa	--	--	--	--	7	75,075	10,725	0
Michigan	--	--	--	--	10	86,048	8,605	0
Michigan State	--	--	--	--	10	147,590	14,759	10
Minnesota	--	--	--	--	8	82,171	10,271	0
Northwestern	--	--	--	--	7	24,922	3,560	0
Ohio State	--	--	--	--	8	126,219	15,777	2
Penn State	--	--	--	--	10	71,823	7,182	0
Purdue	--	--	--	--	8	79,268	9,908	0
Wisconsin	--	--	--	--	10	171,900	17,190	10
Totals	--	--	--	--	93	1,107,900	11,913	31

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career (Yrs.)	at School (Yrs.)	Big Ten Only
Bruce Weber, ILL	204-72 (9th)	101-18 (4th)	39-9
Kelvin Sampson, IND	463-260 (24th)	8-3 (1st)	--
Steve Alford, IOWA	298-175 (16th)	142-98 (8th)	52-60
Tommy Amaker, MICH	166-127 (10th)	98-72 (6th)	35-45
Tom Izzo, MSU	267-111 (12th)	267-111 (12th)	125-55
Jim Molinari, MINN*	221-170 (14th)	3-3 (1st)	--
Bill Carmody, NU	182-123 (11th)	90-98 (7th)	33-63
Thad Matta, OSU	158-51 (7th)	56-20 (3rd)	20-12
Ed DeChellis, PSU	144-154 (11th)	39-61 (4th)	10-38
Matt Painter, PUR	44-26 (3rd)	19-21 (2nd)	3-13
Bo Ryan, WIS	507-153 (23rd)	124-50 (6th)	55-25

*Interim head coach

ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL

2006-07 (As of Dec. 25)

RANK/SCHOOL (#1 votes)	RECORD	PTS.	PREVIOUS
1. UCLA (71)	11-0	1799	1
2. North Carolina (1)	10-1	1720	2
3. Florida	11-2	1615	5
4. WISCONSIN	12-1	1577	4
5. Duke	11-1	1467	6
6. OHIO STATE	10-2	1351	3
7. Arizona	9-1	1347	9
8. Alabama	11-1	1308	10
9. Kansas	10-2	1246	11
10. Pittsburgh	11-2	1065	7
11. Texas A&M	10-2	1001	13
12. Connecticut	10-0	982	14
13. Oklahoma State	12-1	853	15
14. Washington	10-1	845	17
15. Butler	12-1	734	16
16. Wichita State	9-2	603	8
17. LSU	7-3	596	12
18. Marquette	12-2	571	19
19. Notre Dame	10-1	517	20
20. Oregon	11-0	501	21
21. Tennessee	10-2	366	NR
22. Memphis	9-3	300	18
23. Air Force	11-1	253	24
24. Nevada	10-1	203	25
25. Clemson	12-0	152	NR

Others receiving votes: Gonzaga 129; Texas 57; MICHIGAN STATE 47; Florida State 45; Maryland 35; Syracuse 24; Kentucky 16; Missouri State 14; Washington State 14; Georgia Tech 9; Southern Illinois 9; Georgetown 8; Virginia 7; PURDUE 6; Drexel 5; Texas Tech 5; ILLINOIS 3; Dayton 2; New Mexico 2; Boston College 1.

ESPN/USA TODAY COACHES POLL

2006-07 (As of Dec. 25)

RANK/SCHOOL (#1 votes)	RECORD	PTS.	PREVIOUS
1. UCLA (31)	11-0	775	1
2. North Carolina	10-1	740	2
3. Florida	11-2	693	4
4. WISCONSIN	12-1	648	5
5. Duke	11-1	624	6
6. OHIO STATE	10-2	594	3
7. Arizona	9-1	577	9
8. Alabama	11-1	545	10
9. Connecticut	10-0	503	11
10. Kansas	10-2	491	12
11. Pittsburgh	11-2	461	7
12. Texas A&M	10-2	401	13
13. Washington	10-1	396	17
14. Oklahoma State	12-1	347	14
15. Butler	12-1	337	16
16. Wichita State	9-2	234	8
17. Air Force	11-1	219	19
18. Nevada	10-1	205	20
19. LSU	7-3	203	15
20. Oregon	11-0	176	23
21. Clemson	12-0	172	22
22. Marquette	12-2	168	21
23. Memphis	9-3	131	18
24. Notre Dame	10-1	105	NR
25. MICHIGAN STATE	12-2	91	25

Others receiving votes: Tennessee 47; Maryland 32; Gonzaga 26; Washington State 23; Syracuse 20; Texas 19; ILLINOIS 14; Missouri State 14; UNLV 13; Florida State 10; Southern Illinois 10; Georgia 5; West Virginia 4; Georgetown 2.

TOP PERFORMANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 18-24

Jamar Smith, ILL: Led the Illini to a pair of wins on the week, coming off the bench to average 19 points per game; Scored 17 in a win over Missouri, then had a season-high 21 points against Idaho State.

Earl Calloway, IND: Led the Hoosiers to a pair of victories last week with back-to-back 20-point performances; Scored 20 against Western Michigan and then followed with 21 points against IUPUI, just one shy of tying his career high.

Courtney Sims, MICH: Recorded a team-high 13 points and a season-best five blocks at No. 1 UCLA; Finished the game 6-of-10 from the field (.600), scoring 11 of his 13 points in the second half.

Kevin Coble, NU: Scored 61 points in three games, averaging 20.3 points and 6.0 rebounds while shooting 58 percent from the field (25-of-43) and 55 percent from beyond the arc (10-of-18); Led the Wildcats to a 2-1 mark at this year's 2006 San Juan Shootout

Geary Claxton, PSU: Posted his third 20-plus point game of the season and 11th of his career while leading Penn State with 21 points and adding seven rebounds against Maine.

Carl Landry, PUR: Averaged 23.5 points and five rebounds in two home games last week; Shot 62.5 percent from the field (15-of-24) and made 17-of-25 shots from the foul line (.680).

Kammron Taylor, WIS: Scored a game-high 17 points to lead Wisconsin to its eighth straight victory with a 83-47 win over Pacific.

BIG TEN VS. NON-CONFERENCE

Conference	'06-07	'05-06	'04-05	'03-04	'02-03
America East	4-1	2-0	3-1	1-1	3-0
ACC	3-10	8-6	4-11	3-8	6-9
Atlantic Sun	4-0	3-1	2-0	1-0	3-0
Atlantic 10	2-0	5-1	1-1	4-2	5-4
Big East	5-2	7-7	5-5	6-9	1-8
Big Sky	2-1	0-0	2-0	1-0	5-0
Big South	2-0	2-0	3-0	2-0	6-0
Big Ten	0-0	0-0	---	---	1-1
Big 12	6-1	2-3	7-7	4-11	4-10
Big West	1-0	0-0	1-1	1-0	---
Colonial	1-0	3-2	4-0	---	---
Conference USA	1-1	2-1	7-5	6-2	5-4
Horizon	11-2	7-2	5-1	8-1	5-1
Ivy	3-1	1-0	1-0	4-0	0-2
MAAC	0-1	1-0	1-0	1-0	---
MAC	8-0	4-0	2-2	8-0	9-3
Mid-Continent	6-0	7-0	10-1	7-0	7-1
MEAC	6-0	10-0	7-1	3-0	5-0
Missouri Valley	4-4	3-3	5-2	3-1	2-0
Mountain West	2-1	3-0	2-0	0-4	2-0
Northeast	4-0	4-0	5-0	2-0	5-0
Ohio Valley	3-1	6-0	2-0	7-0	5-0
Pac-10	1-4	4-3	4-3	3-1	1-2
Patriot	2-0	2-0	3-0	3-0	2-0
SEC	1-3	3-1	3-4	1-5	8-3
Southern	7-0	3-0	8-0	5-0	---
Southland	0-0	3-0	2-0	2-0	---
SWAC	3-0	2-0	0-0	0-1	2-0
Sun Belt	1-1	5-0	0-1	2-0	4-0
WAC	0-0	1-1	1-0	1-2	3-0
WCC	1-0	1-2	3-1	0-1	3-0
Independents	8-1	9-2	2-0	1-0	---
NCAA II	1-0	2-0	4-0	---	---
Totals	103-35	115-35	109-47	90-49	102-48
Winning Pct.	.746	.767	.699	.648	.680

SAGARIN RATINGS - THROUGH GAMES OF DEC. 24

Conference	Central Mean	School	Rating
1. ACC	83.96	10. Wisconsin	88.86
2. SEC	83.17	24. Purdue	85.86
3. Pac-10	82.42	25. Indiana	85.68
4. Big Ten	81.92	27. Michigan State	85.34
5. Big 12	81.45	28. Ohio State	85.27
6. Missouri Valley	80.75	29. Illinois	85.16
7. Big East	80.74	63. Michigan	80.85
8. Mountain West	77.32	119. Iowa	75.80
9. C-USA	75.70	120. Northwestern	75.76
10. WAC	74.81	151. Penn State	73.79
		199. Minnesota	70.50

BIG TEN AMONG TOP 30 NCAA LEADERS* - THROUGH GAMES OF DEC. 17

INDIVIDUAL		Free Throw Percentage	
Points Per Game		15.	Iowa 75.5
T18.	Alando Tucker, WIS 21.2	Rebound Margin	
Field Goal Percentage		8.	Michigan State 10.8
9.	Courtney Sims, MICH 66.4	12.	Illinois 10.6
21.	Carl Landry, PUR 63.5	17.	Michigan 9.4
Three-Point Field Goals Per Game		T26.	Indiana 8.1
T26.	Drew Neitzel, MSU 3.3	Assists Per Game	
Free Throw Percentage		22.	Ohio State 17.9
T21.	Adam Haluska, IOWA 92.2	Blocked Shots	
Assists Per Game		9.	Michigan 6.8
10.	Mike Conley Jr., OSU 6.4	20.	Minnesota 6.2
11.	Chester Frazier, ILL 6.4	T21.	Michigan State 6.0
14.	Tim Doyle, NU 6.3	T24.	Ohio State 5.9
Steals Per Game		Turnovers Per Game	
22.	Mike Conley Jr., OSU 2.7	2.	Northwestern 10.1
TEAM		19.	Wisconsin 12.2
Scoring Offense		Personal Fouls Per Game	
10.	Ohio State 85.2	T9.	Northwestern 14.9
Scoring Defense		16.	Ohio State 15.3
6.	Michigan State 53.4	T25.	Michigan 15.9
10.	Michigan 54.3	* NOTE: Some NCAA stat minimums may be higher than Big Ten stat minimums, causing some players not to appear in national rankings.	
21.	Illinois 57.4		
Scoring Margin			
9.	Ohio State 21.0		
20.	Illinois 18.0		
Field Goal Percentage			
5.	Ohio State 52.5		
Field Goal Percentage Defense			
9.	Michigan State 35.7		
11.	Michigan 36.0		
Three-Point Field Goals Per Game			
7.	Ohio State 10.3		
Three-Point Field Goal Percentage			
11.	Ohio State 43.1		
12.	Michigan State 42.5		

DOUBLE-DOUBLES LEADERS

Player	'05-06	Career
Courtney Sims, MICH	3	12
Geary Claxton, PSU	3	12
Brent Petway, MICH	3	6
D.J. White, IND	3	5
Jamelle Cornley, PSU	3	4
Warren Carter, ILL	3	3
Shaun Pruitt, ILL	3	3
Goran Suton, MSU	3	3
Spencer Tollackson, MINN	3	3
Carl Landry, PUR	2	8
Brian Butch, WIS	2	5
Chester Frazier, ILL**	2	2
Marquise Gray, MSU	2	2
Greg Oden, OSU	2	2
Alando Tucker, WIS	1	8
Laurence McKenzie, MINN*	1	2
David Teague, PUR	1	2
Calvin Brock, ILL	1	1
Roderick Wilmont, IND	1	1
Dan Coleman, MINN	1	1
Dion Harris, MICH**	1	1
Daequan Cook, OSU	1	1
Othello Hunter, OSU	1	1
Ron Lewis, OSU	1	1
Gordon Watt, PUR	1	1

* includes double-double at Oklahoma

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BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Nov. 13** **Ron Lewis, Ohio State:** Captured MVP honors and led Ohio State to the BCA Classic title with victories over VMI, Loyola-Chicago and Kent State; Averaged 20 points in the event and tallied his first double-double as a Buckeye with 27 points and 11 rebounds against Loyola-Chicago.
- Nov. 20** **Courtney Sims, MICH:** Averaged 19.0 points and 8.0 rebounds per game, while shooting 78.9 percent from the field (15-of-19); Against UW-Milwaukee, scored 20 of his 26 points in the second stanza and added 10 rebounds for his first double-double of the season.
- Drew Neitzel, MSU:** Earned All-Tournament honors after averaging 18.0 points and 5.5 assists during the College Hoops Classic at Madison Square Garden; Against No. 19/18 Texas, hit the game-winning basket on a driving lay-up with 2.4 seconds remaining to give the Spartans a 63-61 victory.
- Nov. 27** **Drew Neitzel, MSU:** Led the Spartans to a pair of victories, averaging 23.5 points and 5.5 assists per game; Scored a career-best 26 points, while establishing an MSU single-game record for three-point field goal percentage (.875) in a 66-46 victory over Vermont.
- Carl Landry, PUR:** Earned All-Tournament accolades at the EA Sports Maui Invitational after averaging 22.0 points and 8.7 rebounds in three games to lead all tournament participants; Tallied a conference season-best 30 points in a 74-71 victory over Oklahoma.
- Dec. 4** **Carl Landry, PUR:** Averaged 19.0 points and 8.5 rebounds in wins over No. 25 Virginia and Delaware State; For the week, shot over 60 percent from the floor (14-of-23) and connected on 71.4 percent from the free throw line (10-of-14); Purdue's win over Virginia was its first non-conference home win over a ranked opponent since 1995.
- Dec. 11** **Carl Landry, PUR:** Averaged a double-double with 22.5 points and 10.0 rebounds per game; In a 78-62 victory over Loyola-Chicago, scored 22 points, hauled in eight rebounds and dished out three assists. Shot 7-of-8 from the field (.875), while tallying his second double-double of the season with a game-high 23 points and 12 rebounds versus Missouri.
- Dec. 18** **Alando Tucker, WIS:** Tallied a season-high 32 points and led the Badgers to an 89-75 victory over No. 2/2 Pittsburgh; Against the Panthers, went 10-of-17 from the field (.588) and reached 30-plus points for the second time in his career; Also added 10 rebounds to claim his eighth career double-double while Wisconsin knocked off its first second-ranked team since defeating No. 2 Minnesota, 66-65, on March 8, 1997.
- Dec. 26** **Adam Haluska, IOWA:** Led the Hawkeyes to a pair of victories while shooting over 57 percent from the field (20-of-35) and averaging 28.5 points per game; Tallied a career-high 36 points to help Iowa to a 101-59 victory over Georgia State, matching the most points scored by an Iowa player in Carver-Hawkeye Arena (Iowa's Rob Griffin scored 36 points in a win over Penn State on March 4, 2000).

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 Mike Tisdale, C, 7-0, 215, Riverton, Ill./Riverton

Indiana

Jordan Crawford, G, 6-4, 190, Detroit, Mich./Hargrave (Va.) Military Academy
 Jamarcus Ellis, G, 6-5, 200, Chicago, Ill./Chipola (Fla.) Junior College
 Eric Gordon, G, 6-4, 205, Indianapolis, Ind./Indianapolis North Central
 Eli Holman, C, 6-9, 210, Richmond, Calif./Richmond
 Brandon McGee, F, 6-7, 220, Chicago, Ill./Chicago Crane

Iowa

Dairese Gary, G, 6-1, 205, Elkhart, Ind./Concord
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 Jarryd Cole, F, 6-7, 240, Gladstone, Mo./Winnetonka

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Penn State

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 Jeff Brooks, F, 6-8, 190, Louisville, Ky./Doss

Purdue

Robbie Hummel, G/F, 6-8, 200, Valparaiso, Ind./Valparaiso
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 Jon Leuer, F, 6-10, 215, Long Lake, Minn./Orono
 Keaton Nankivil, F, 6-9, 245, Madison, Wis./Madison Memorial

**ILLINOIS**
(12-2, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

13	Austin Peay	W, 80-35
15	Jackson State [2]	W, 76-55
17	Georgia Southern	W, 85-50
19	Florida A&M	W, 84-63
21	Savannah State [2]	W, 81-34
24	vs. Miami (Ohio) [2] [3]	W, 51-49
25	vs. Bradley [2] [3]	W, 75-71
28	No. 23/19 Maryland [1]	L, 66-72

December

2	vs. No. 16/16 Arizona [4]	L, 72-84
6	IUPUI	W, 87-59
9	vs. Illinois-Chicago [5]	W, 71-66
17	Belmont	W, 77-51
19	vs. Missouri [6]	W, 73-70
21	Idaho State	W, 71-60
29	at Xavier	

January

3	at Michigan	
6	Ohio State	
10	Iowa	
14	at Michigan State	
17	at Minnesota	
20	Wisconsin	
23	Indiana	
27	at Purdue	
30	Michigan State	

February

3	Minnesota	
7	at Northwestern	
10	at Indiana	
18	Northwestern	
21	Michigan	
24	at Penn State	

March

3	Iowa	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**INDIANA**
(8-3, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

13	vs. Lafayette [7] [8]	W, 91-66
14	vs. Butler [7] [8]	L, 55-60
17	Indiana State	W, 73-66
19	Chicago State	W, 90-69
28	at No. 11/10 Duke [1]	L, 51-54

December

2	Charlotte	W, 74-57
6	Western Illinois	W, 92-40
9	at Kentucky	L, 54-59
17	Southern Illinois	W, 57-47
20	Western Michigan	W, 77-69
22	vs. IUPUI [8]	W, 86-57
30	Ball State	

January

2	at Ohio State	
7	Michigan State	
10	Purdue	
13	at Penn State	
16	Iowa	
20	at Connecticut	
23	at Illinois	
27	Michigan	
31	Wisconsin	

February

3	at Iowa	
10	Illinois	
14	at Purdue	
17	at Michigan	
21	Minnesota	
24	at Michigan State	
27	at Northwestern	
28	at Northwestern	

March

3	Penn State	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**IOWA**
(7-6, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

13	The Citadel	W, 75-53
17	vs. Toledo [10]	W, 78-65
19	vs. No. 10/11 Alabama [10]	L, 60-72
20	vs. Villanova [10]	L, 60-89
25	at Arizona State	L, 64-67
29	at Virginia Tech	L, 65-69

December

1	Texas-Pan American [11]	W, 62-46
2	Coppin State [11]	W, 83-67
5	Northern Iowa	L, 55-57
8	Iowa State	W, 77-59
16	at Drake	L, 59-75
20	Georgia State	W, 101-59
23	Texas Southern	W, 90-63
30	Cornell	

January

4	Michigan State	
10	at Illinois	
13	Minnesota	
16	at Indiana	
20	at Ohio State	
24	Penn State	
28	Wisconsin	
31	at Michigan	

February

3	Indiana	
7	at Minnesota	
10	at Wisconsin	
14	Northwestern	
17	at Michigan State	
21	Purdue	
27/28	at Penn State	

March

3	Illinois	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**MICHIGAN**
(11-2, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

10	Central Connecticut State [12]	W, 60-40
11	Davidson [12]	W, 78-68
12	Eastern Michigan [12]	W, 80-51
15	UW-Milwaukee [13]	W, 66-59
17	Harvard	W, 82-50
22	Youngstown State	W, 65-56
25	Maryland-Baltimore County	W, 66-54
27	at N.C. State [1]	L, 67-74

December

2	Wofford	W, 83-49
7	at Miami (Ohio)	W, 62-56
9	Delaware State	W, 70-43
16	Northern Illinois	W, 67-52
23	at No. 1/1 UCLA	L, 55-92
28	Army	
30	Georgetown	

January

3	Illinois	
6	at Northwestern	
13	at Purdue	
17	Penn State	
20	Purdue	
24	at Wisconsin	
27	at Indiana	
31	Iowa	

February

6	at Ohio State	
10	Minnesota	
13	at Michigan State	
17	Indiana	
21	at Illinois	
24	at Minnesota	
27/28	Michigan State	

March

3	Ohio State	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**MICHIGAN STATE**
(12-2, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

8	Brown [14]	W, 45-34
9	Youngstown State [14]	W, 86-61
12	The Citadel	W, 73-41
16	vs. No. 19/18 Texas [14] [9]	W, 63-61
17	vs. Maryland [14] [9]	L, 60-62
21	Vermont	W, 66-46
25	Oakland	W, 71-53
29	at Boston College [1]	L, 58-65

December

3	Bradley	W, 79-50
6	IPFW	W, 80-43
9	vs. BYU [15]	W, 76-61
16	Chicago State	W, 69-61
19	Belmont	W, 67-58
23	UW-Green Bay	W, 76-64
30	Loyola (Md.)	

January

4	at Iowa	
7	at Indiana	
10	Northwestern	
14	Illinois	
20	at Penn State	
24	Minnesota	
27	at Ohio State	
30	at Illinois	

February

3	Ohio State	
7	at Purdue	
13	Michigan	
17	Iowa	
20	Wisconsin	
24	Indiana	
27/28	at Michigan	

March

3	at Wisconsin	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**MINNESOTA**
(5-8, 0-0 Big Ten)**November**

13	North Dakota State	W, 63-49
17	Long Island	W, 70-54
21	Iowa State	L, 63-68
23	vs. Marist [16]	L, 56-63
24	vs. Southern Illinois [16]	L, 53-69
26	vs. Montana [16]	L, 65-72
29	Clemson [1]	L, 68-90

December

2	Arizona State	W, 66-63
5	at UAB	L, 81-88 (2OT)
7	South Dakota State	W, 77-53
9	Arkansas-Little Rock	L, 66-67
12	Central Florida	W, 74-63
22	at UNLV	L, 58-62
30	SE Louisiana	

January

3	Purdue	
6	at Wisconsin	
13	at Iowa	
17	Illinois	
20	Northwestern	
24	at Michigan State	
27	Penn State	
31	at Northwestern	

February

3	at Illinois	
7	Iowa	
10	at Michigan	
14	Wisconsin	
18	Ohio State	
21	at Indiana	
24	Michigan	
27/28	at Purdue	

March

8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.
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**NORTHWESTERN**
(8-3, 0-0 Big Ten)November

10	Cornell	L, 61-64
14	DePaul	W, 49-39
17	at Stanford	L, 53-58
21	Brown	W, 64-40
25	North Florida	W, 40-39
28	Miami (Fla.) [1]	W, 61-59

December

9	Western Michigan	W, 77-75 (OT)
14	Wheaton (Ill.)	W, 41-39
19	vs. Tennessee Tech [17]	L, 65-66
20	vs. UPR-Mayaguez [17]	W, 62-55
21	vs. Utah [17]	W, 77-44
27	Loyola (Md.)	
31	Northwestern State	

January

3	at Penn State	
6	Michigan	
10	at Michigan State	
13	Wisconsin	
17	at Ohio State	
20	at Minnesota	
24	Ohio State	
31	Minnesota	

February

3	at Wisconsin	
7	Illinois	
10	Penn State	
14	at Iowa	
18	at Illinois	
21	Texas-Pan American	
24	Purdue	
27/28	Indiana	

March

3	at Purdue	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**PENN STATE**
(8-4, 0-0 Big Ten)November

10	Morehead State	W, 63-46
13	UNC-Greensboro	W, 69-56
17	Stony Brook	L, 51-59
21	Bucknell	W, 63-60 (OT)
25	St. Joseph's	W, 65-61
28	at No. 21/24 Georgia Tech [1]	L, 73-77

December

2	Morgan State	W, 80-71
6	Hartford	W, 56-55
9	at Seton Hall	L, 59-69
13	Long Island	W, 66-45
16	SE Louisiana	L, 66-69
23	Maine	W, 75-42
30	VMI	

January

3	Northwestern	
6	at Purdue	
13	Indiana	
17	at Michigan	
20	Michigan State	
24	at Iowa	
27	at Minnesota	

February

3	Purdue	
7	Wisconsin	
10	at Northwestern	
14	Ohio State	
17	at Wisconsin	
21	at Ohio State	
24	Illinois	
27/28	Iowa	

March

3	at Indiana	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

**WISCONSIN**
(12-1, 0-0 Big Ten)November

12	Mercer	W, 72-48
15	UW-Green Bay	W, 79-62
19	Southern [22]	W, 92-39
21	Delaware State [22]	W, 64-52
24	vs. Missouri State [22] [23]	L, 64-66
25	vs. Auburn [22] [23]	W, 77-63
28	Florida State [1]	W, 81-66

December

2	Florida International	W, 79-63
4	Winthrop	W, 82-79 (OT)
9	at No. 17/20 Marquette	W, 70-66
13	UW-Milwaukee	W, 68-49
16	No. 2/2 Pittsburgh	W, 89-75
23	Pacific	W, 83-47
27	Gardner-Webb	
31	at Georgia	

January

6	Minnesota	
9	Ohio State	
13	at Northwestern	
17	Purdue	
20	at Illinois	
24	Michigan	
28	at Iowa	
31	at Indiana	

February

3	Northwestern	
7	at Penn State	
10	Iowa	
14	at Minnesota	
17	Penn State	
20	at Michigan State	
25	at Ohio State	

March

3	Michigan State	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.

- [1] - ACC/Big Ten Challenge
 [2] - Chicago Invitational Challenge
 [3] - at Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates, Ill.
 [4] - Hall of Fame Classic in Phoenix, Ariz.
 [5] - United Center in Chicago, Ill.
 [6] - Braggin' Rights Game at Scottrade Center in St. Louis, Mo.
 [7] - NIT Season Tip-Off
 [8] - at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, Ind.
 [9] - at Madison Square Garden in New York, N.Y.
 [10] - Paradise Jam in St. Thomas, Virgin Islands
 [11] - Hawkeye Challenge in Iowa City, Iowa
 [12] - John Thompson Challenge in Ann Arbor, Mich.
 [13] - John Thompson Challenge Finale in Ann Arbor, Mich.
 [14] - Coaches vs. Cancer
 [15] - at The Palace in Auburn Hills, Mich.
 [16] - Old Spice Classic in Orlando, Fla.
 [17] - San Juan Shootout in San Juan, Puerto Rico
 [18] - BCA Classic in Columbus, Ohio
 [19] - Nationwide Arena in Columbus, Ohio
 [20] - Wooden Tradition at Consecro Fieldhouse in Indianapolis, Ind.
 [21] - EA Sports Maui Invitational in Maui, Hawaii
 [22] - South Padre Island Invitational
 [23] - in South Padre, Texas

Subject to Change**OHIO STATE**
(10-2, 0-0 Big Ten)November

10	VMI [18]	W, 107-69
11	vs. Loyola-Chicago [18]	W, 87-75
12	vs. Kent State [18]	W, 81-59
17	Eastern Kentucky	W, 74-45
20	San Francisco	W, 82-60
24	vs. Youngstown State [19]	W, 91-57
29	at No. 7/6 North Carolina [1]	L, 89-98

December

2	Valparaiso	W, 78-58
9	Cleveland State	W, 78-57
16	vs. Cincinnati [20]	W, 72-50
19	Iowa State	W, 75-56
23	at No. 5/4 Florida	L, 60-86
30	Coppin State	

January

2	Indiana	
6	at Illinois	
9	at Wisconsin	
13	Tennessee	
17	Northwestern	
20	Iowa	
24	at Northwestern	
27	Michigan State	
31	at Purdue	

February

3	at Michigan State	
6	Michigan	
10	Purdue	
14	at Penn State	
18	at Minnesota	
21	Penn State	
25	Wisconsin	

March

3	at Michigan	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center

**PURDUE**
(10-2, 0-0 Big Ten)November

13	Northern Colorado	W, 90-58
17	Western Carolina	W, 82-57
20	vs. No. 19/19 Georgia Tech [21]	L, 61-79
21	vs. Oklahoma [21]	W, 74-71
22	vs. DePaul [21]	W, 81-73
29	No. 25/- Virginia [1]	W, 61-59

December

2	Delaware State	W, 62-40
5	Loyola-Chicago	W, 78-62
9	Missouri	W, 79-62
16	vs. No. 18/18 Butler [20]	L, 65-68
19	Wagner	W, 95-56
22	Texas A&M-Corpus Christi	W, 79-61
28	at Indiana State	
30	Southeast Missouri State	

January

3	at Minnesota	
6	Penn State	
10	at Indiana	
13	Michigan	
17	at Wisconsin	
20	at Michigan	
27	Illinois	
31	Ohio State	

February

3	at Penn State	
7	Michigan State	
10	at Ohio State	
14	Indiana	

21	at Iowa	
24	at Northwestern	
27/28	Minnesota	

March

3	Northwestern	
8-11	Big Ten Tournament	at United Center, Chicago, Ill.