

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

2004 FOOTBALL

Big Ten Opens 109th Season of Conference Play
as Four Teams Boast Unblemished Records

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2004 STANDINGS

	Conference Games					All Games						
	W	L	PCT	H	A	W	L	PCT	H	A	N	
Minnesota	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	3	0	1.000	2-0	1-0	0-0	
Ohio State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	3	0	1.000	2-0	1-0	0-0	
Wisconsin	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	3	0	1.000	2-0	1-0	0-0	
Purdue	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	0	1.000	2-0	0-0	0-0	
Illinois	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	2-1	0-0	0-0	
Indiana	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	1-0	1-1	0-0	
Iowa	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	2-0	0-1	0-0	
Michigan	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	2-0	0-1	0-0	
Penn State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	2	1	.667	2-0	0-1	0-0	
Michigan State	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	1-1	0-1	0-0	
Northwestern	0	0	.000	0-0	0-0	1	2	.333	1-1	0-1	0-0	

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 25

No. 15/15 PURDUE at ILLINOIS
11 a.m. CDT - ESPN Plus
Memorial Stadium (69,249)
Champaign, IL

MICHIGAN STATE at INDIANA
11 a.m. CDT-EST/Noon EDT - ESPN Plus
Memorial Stadium (52,354)
Bloomington, IN

No. -/24 IOWA at No. 18/18 MICHIGAN
3:30 p.m. EDT - ABC
Michigan Stadium (107,501)
Ann Arbor, MI

PENN STATE at No. 20/20 WISCONSIN
4:45 p.m. CDT - ESPN
Camp Randall Stadium (81,318)
Madison, WI

NORTHWESTERN at
No. 19/19 MINNESOTA
8 p.m. CDT - ESPN2
Metrodome (64,172)
Minneapolis, MN

Bye Week: No. 7/6 OHIO STATE

Rankings: AP/ESPN-USA Today

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Western Michigan	27	Notre Dame	31	Central Florida	13
ILLINOIS	30	MICHIGAN STATE	24	PENN STATE	37
Champaign, IL (51,452)		East Lansing, MI (74,962)		University Park, PA (101,715)	
INDIANA	32	No. 22/22 MINNESOTA	34	No. 20/21 WISCONSIN	9
Kentucky	51	Colorado State	16	Arizona	7
Lexington, KY (65,532)		Fort Collins, CO (33,501)		Tucson, AZ (50,275)	
No. 16/12 IOWA	7	Kansas	17	Bye Week: No. 18/18 PURDUE	
Arizona State	44	NORTHWESTERN	20		
Tempe, AZ (71,700)		Evanston, IL (24,817)			
San Diego State	21	No. 9/7 OHIO STATE	22		
No. 17/17 MICHIGAN	24	North Carolina State	14		
Ann Arbor, MI (109,432)		Raleigh, NC (56,800)			

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSE:

Marion Barber III, Minnesota

JR, RB, Plymouth, Minn./Wayzata

Barber III led Minnesota's explosive ground attack in a road victory at Colorado State with 201 yards on 31 carries, both career-highs, while tallying a pair of rushing touchdowns. The junior running back scored on a 19-yard dash against the Rams before breaking loose for a career-long 61-yard gallop for another score. The 2003 First Team All-Big Ten selection now has nine career games with multiple scores, including all three outings this season, and 30 career rushing touchdowns which rates third in school history, just four behind his father who starred at Minnesota from 1977-80. Barber III also moved into sixth place in school annals with 2,435 yards, a total that now includes 11 100-yard efforts. This is his first Big Ten weekly honor.

DEFENSE:

Erasmus James, Wisconsin

SR, DE, Pembroke Pines, Fla./McArthur

James highlighted a Badgers defense that limited Arizona to a single touchdown in a 9-7 road victory, as he compiled five tackles, including four solo stops, two sacks (-25 yards), a half a tackle for loss, a pass broken up and a forced fumble. Wisconsin limited the hosts to only 199 yards for the game, including just 96 rushing yards. James, who missed last season due to injury, earns his second Player of the Week accolade, as he was first honored more than three years ago on August 27, 2001, following his collegiate debut.

SPECIAL TEAMS:

Mike Nugent, Ohio State

SR, K, Centerville, Ohio/Centerville

Nugent repeats as the Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week after connecting on all five of his field goal attempts, including three from 46 yards or longer, in a victory at North Carolina State. The senior's five field goals marked a career-best, as he hit from 50, 30, 33, 46 and 47 yards while adding an extra point to tally 16 of OSU's 22 points in the game. Nugent's five field goals equaled a school record set by Bob Atha against Indiana on October 24, 1981.

BIG TEN TITLE CHASE BEGINS

The 109th season of Big Ten football kicks off on Saturday as 10 teams will open Conference play while Ohio State has a bye weekend. Parity has reigned the Big Ten landscape over the past decade (1994-2003), as eight different teams have won the League crown either outright or as a co-champion: Illinois ('01), Iowa ('02), Michigan ('97, '98, '00, '03), Northwestern ('95, '96, '00), Ohio State ('96, '98, '02), Penn State ('94), Purdue ('00) and Wisconsin ('98, '99). The title has been shared by at least two teams only four times in this span, with a pair of three-team ties in 1998 and 2000. Last season, the Wolverines became the sixth team in the last 10 years to claim sole possession of the Conference title as Michigan will aim to become the first Big Ten school to repeat since the Badgers claimed a share of back-to-back championships in 1998 and 1999. The last Conference program to produce consecutive outright titles was the Wolverines, who accomplished the feat in 1991 and 1992.

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OTHER TOP PERFORMERS LAST WEEKEND:

OFFENSE:

MICH RB **Michael Hart**: 25 carries for a career-best 121 yards (4.8 avg.).
NU QB **Brett Basanez**: 20 of 33 (60.6 percent) for 192 yards with a passing and rushing TD.
PSU RB **Tony Hunt**: 16 carries for 125 yards (7.8 avg.) and a career-best 3 TDs.
WIS RB **Booker Stanley**: 30 carries for a career-high 135 yards (4.5 avg.) and a TD.

DEFENSE:

MICH LB **Roy Manning**: Five tackles (all solo) and two TFLs (-6 yards), including one sack (-5 yards) where he forced a fumble that was returned for a touchdown.
NU LB **Nick Roach**: Established career-highs with nine tackles, six solo stops and three TFLs (-17 yards), including a sack (-9 yards), and added a PBU in win over Kansas.
OSU LB **A.J. Hawk**: Nine tackles (eight solo) and an interception in win at NC State.

SPECIAL TEAMS:

ILL KR **Pierre Thomas**: Three kickoff returns for 132 yards (44.0 avg., ranked second in school annals), including a 99-yard TD, the third longest return in Memorial Stadium history.
MICH KR/PR **Steve Breaston**: Surpassed 1,000-yard mark in career returns with three kickoff returns for 46 yards (15.3 avg.) and three punt returns for 35 yards (11.7 avg.).
MSU KR **DeAndra Cobb**: Five kickoff returns for 152 yards (30.4 avg.), including an 89-yard TD; Now has four career kickoff return touchdowns, one shy of the Big Ten record.
WIS K **Mike Allen**: Connected on game-winning 22-yard field goal at Arizona.

Last Two Champs Square Off: The opening week of League play features a matchup between the last two Big Ten champions as Michigan hosts Iowa. The Wolverines are the defending Conference champs while the Hawkeyes produced a perfect 8-0 League mark in 2002 to share the top spot with Ohio State, which went on to win the national title with an undefeated record. Michigan boasted a 7-1 mark last season, as the school's only defeat came in Iowa City by a narrow 30-27 margin. Iowa enters Saturday's contest with a two-game winning streak against the Wolverines, just the second such streak since the two teams began playing in 1900 and the first since the 1984-85 campaigns. Michigan holds a 37-10-4 advantage in the all-time series.

Big Ten Winning Streak: Michigan holds the longest current winning streak in League play as the Wolverines wrapped up the 2003 campaign with six straight victories. Iowa has the second-longest active streak with two consecutive wins. Michigan established the Big Ten record with 19 straight triumphs in League action from 1990-92.

Battle of Coaching Legends: Two of the Big Ten's all-time winningest coaches will meet on Saturday as Wisconsin's **Barry Alvarez** will host Penn State's **Joe Paterno** in Madison. Only 12 coaches in the 108-year history of the Conference have won at least 90 games. Alvarez ranks 10th on that list with 102 victories while Paterno, who rates second all-time with 341 career wins at PSU, ranks 11th with 94 triumphs since the Nittany Lions joined the League in 1993. Paterno has coached against four other men on that list in Iowa's Hayden Fry (5th with 143 wins), Michigan State's Duffy Daugherty (9th, 109) and Ohio State's Woody Hayes (1st, 205) and John Cooper (8th, 111) while Alvarez has also faced Fry and Cooper.

Non-Conference Success: With three non-conference regular season games remaining on the schedule, the Big Ten has built a 23-9 record (.719) to produce the highest non-conference regular season winning percentage since the League boasted a 28-7 mark (.800) during the 1999 campaign. The Conference has produced a record of 5-3 against teams that appeared in a bowl last season, including road victories over Colorado State, North Carolina State and Oregon and home triumphs against Kansas and Miami (OH). Of the seven schools that have defeated Big Ten programs this year, each team is .500 or better and two are undefeated (Boston College and Arizona State), as the combined record of those non-conference foes is 15-5 (.750). Purdue will wrap up its non-conference slate in two weeks at Notre Dame while Michigan State and Northwestern will both battle Hawaii after the Big Ten campaign concludes.

Impressive Non-Conference Streaks: Minnesota and Ohio State have not lost to a non-conference foe in more than three seasons as both schools produced perfect 3-0 marks to open the 2004 campaign. The Gophers currently boast a 15-game non-conference victory streak, including bowl wins in 2002 and 2003, as their last non-Big Ten loss came on August 30, 2001. The Buckeyes have claimed 13 consecutive non-conference triumphs, including Fiesta Bowl wins in each of the last two seasons and an undefeated national title in 2002, as their last setback occurred in the Outback Bowl on January 1, 2002.

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Big Ten Weekly Football Teleconference

The Big Ten football coaches weekly media teleconferences will begin on Tuesday, August 31, and run through Tuesday, November 16, 2004.

The calls are held each Tuesday beginning at 11 a.m. Central time. The calls are available for play-back for 24 hours following the conclusion of each call and can also be found on the Big Ten website, www.bigten.org, on Wednesdays and archived throughout the season.

Contact the Big Ten Communications staff for the media call-in phone numbers to participate on the weekly calls or to access the play-back.

The coaches order on each call is as follows (all times Central):

11:00	Jim Tressel, OSU
11:10	Lloyd Carr, MICH
11:20	Gerry DiNardo, IND
11:30	John L. Smith, MSU
11:40	Kirk Ferentz, IOWA
11:50	Barry Alvarez, WIS
Noon	Ron Turner, ILL
12:10	Joe Tiller, PUR
12:20	Joe Paterno, PSU
12:30	Randy Walker, NU
12:40	Glen Mason, MINN
12:50	Player(s) of the Week (if available)

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Four Teams Enter Big Ten Play Unbeaten: Minnesota, Ohio State, Purdue and Wisconsin were the only Big Ten squads to not suffer a defeat in the first three weeks of play as all four programs enter League play with unblemished records. The Gophers are off to a 3-0 start for the third straight season for the first time since the 1934-36 campaigns, as Minnesota began last season with six straight triumphs. The Buckeyes boast a 3-0 record for the second straight year and eighth time in the last decade as OSU won five games to open the 2003 schedule. The Boilermakers, who had a bye last weekend, are off to a 2-0 start for the first time since 2001 when the team started at 4-0. The Badgers are 3-0 for the seventh time under head coach **Barry Alvarez** and the first time since opening at 5-0 in 2002.

Trophy Games Continue: In a conference with 15 traditional trophy games, two more will be on the slate in the opening week of Big Ten play as Illinois and Purdue battle for the Purdue Cannon and Indiana and Michigan State compete for possession of the Old Brass Spitoon. The Boilermakers claimed the Cannon last season for the first time since losing it to the Illini in 2001 to even the rivalry series at 26-26-2 since the trophy was first on the line in 1943. The Old Brass Spitoon has been presented to the winner of the Hoosiers-Spartans game 48 times since 1950, with MSU holding a commanding 36-11-1 advantage including a current two-game winning streak. Both Indiana and Michigan State were also involved in trophy games last week, as Notre Dame reclaimed the Megaphone Trophy with a win over the Spartans while Kentucky maintained possession of the Bourbon Barrel with a victory over the Hoosiers.

Big Ten in the Polls: For the third straight week, the Big Ten is the only conference to feature six nationally-ranked teams with No. 7/6 Ohio State, No. 15/15 Purdue, No. 18/18 Michigan, No. 19/19 Minnesota and No. 20/20 Wisconsin appearing in both polls and Iowa ranking 24th in the ESPN/USA Today rankings. The SEC is the only other league with as many as five schools among the top 25 of the two polls, as half of the top 20 in each poll play in either the Big Ten or SEC.

Other Fall Sport Dominance: In addition to success on the football field, Big Ten teams have been ranked No. 1 in the country in three other fall sports. The Minnesota volleyball team rose to the top spot last week while the Michigan State field hockey squad and Indiana men's soccer program opened the year ranked No. 1 in their respective polls.

Big Ten Schedule Set for October 2: The following schedule has been confirmed for games on Saturday, October 2.

Michigan State at Iowa, 11 a.m. CDT, ESPN Plus
Purdue at Notre Dame, 1:30 EST/CDT, NBC Sports
Michigan at Indiana, 2:30 p.m. EST/CDT, ABC Sports
Penn State at Minnesota, 7 p.m. CDT, ESPN Plus
Ohio State at Northwestern, 8 p.m. CDT, ESPN2
Illinois at Wisconsin, No TV

Big Ten Record Chasers Set School Marks: A pair of Big Ten standouts set school records last weekend as Michigan wideout **Braylon Edwards** took over the top spot in career receptions at Michigan while Penn State quarterback **Zack Mills** established his 16th school record. Edwards hauled in eight passes for 130 yards and two touchdowns against San Diego State to increase his career numbers to 181 receptions and surpass former teammate Marquise Walker's previous school mark of 176 catches. Edwards also broke into the top 10 in a pair of Big Ten career categories as he is now tied for ninth among all Conference pass catchers in receptions while his 28 career touchdowns are good for eighth place. Mills racked up 229 passing yards against Central Florida to increase his career total to 6,081 passing yards, which breaks Tony Sacca's PSU record of 5,852 yards through the air.

Among other Big Ten record chasers, Wisconsin defensive back **Jim Leonhard** had three punt returns for 46 yards at Arizona to move into sole possession of fourth place on the all-time Conference list with 1,076 career yards. Leonhard, who is also tied for eighth in Conference annals with 18 interceptions, is now just 95 yards behind Big Ten record holder Bruce Branch of Penn State, who compiled 1,171 punt return yards from 1998-2001. Purdue wide receiver **Taylor Stubblefield** will continue his march towards the top

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spot among all Big Ten reception leaders after the Boilermakers had a bye last weekend. The senior wideout has 246 career receptions, just 16 behind Illinois' David Williams (262 catches) for second place and 20 behind former teammate John Standeford (266 catches). The man throwing the ball to Stubblefield is senior **Kyle Orton**, who is nearing the top 10 in a number of Big Ten categories including completions (589), attempts (1,003) and yards (6,863). Ohio State kicker **Mike Nugent** is also nearing the League's top 10 as he boasts 56 field goals and 285 points in his OSU career.

Nationally Speaking: Conference squads continue to rank among the national leaders in numerous statistical categories in the latest NCAA rankings, as Purdue tops the country in scoring offense (55 ppg), scoring defense (3.5 ppg) and passing efficiency (217.7). The Boilermakers are also rated second in the country in total offense (585 ypg), third in total defense (197 ypg) and fourth in passing offense (351 ypg). Minnesota appears among the top five in rushing offense (2nd with 359.3 ypg), total offense (3rd with 572.3 ypg) and scoring offense (T5th with 44.7 ppg). On the defensive side of the ball, Wisconsin is among the top five in scoring defense (3rd with 5.3 ppg) and total defense (4th with 201 ypg) while Iowa ranks fourth in the nation in rushing defense (43 ypg). Individually, Purdue quarterback **Kyle Orton** continues to lead the country with a pass efficiency of 215.1, Michigan defensive back **Markus Curry** is tied for second nationally with three interceptions, Michigan State punter **Brandon Fields** ranks second with 48.8 yards per punt, Northwestern quarterback **Brett Basanez** is No. 2 with 335 yards of total offense per outing and Ohio State kicker **Mike Nugent** is tied for second with eight field goals. The complete listing of Big Ten individuals and teams among the nation's top 30 are included with the statistics at the end of this release.

No Plays for 2004: Each year, two Big Ten teams do not meet. Here is the breakdown of "no-plays" for 2004:

Team	Does not play
Illinois	Ohio State, Penn State
Indiana	Iowa, Wisconsin
Iowa	Indiana, Northwestern
Michigan	Penn State, Wisconsin
Michigan State	Northwestern, Purdue
Minnesota	Ohio State, Purdue
Northwestern	Iowa, Michigan State
Ohio State	Illinois, Minnesota
Penn State	Illinois, Michigan
Purdue	Michigan State, Minnesota
Wisconsin	Indiana, Michigan

Big Ten on TV: In the opening weekend of Conference play, all five Big Ten games will be televised. No fewer than 68 Big Ten football games (60 home, eight road) will be televised by ABC Sports, ESPN, ESPN2, ESPN Regional, NBC Sports, and Fox Sports Net this season. Last season, the Conference had more football television exposure than at any time in its history with a total of 80 games televised in the regular-season and post-sea-

Big Ten Instant Replay

The Big Ten is using an experimental instant replay system during the 2004 season, as all 44 Big Ten games will utilize the new system which was featured in 13 non-conference home games. The NCAA Football Rules Committee granted the Big Ten the right to experiment with instant replay on a one-year basis for all televised games at League stadiums in 2004. Visiting teams during non-conference contests needed to approve the usage of instant replay, as the four schools that did not grant their approval for use of the system were Arizona State (Sept. 11 at Northwestern), UCLA (Sept. 11 at Illinois), Iowa State (Sept. 11 at Iowa) and San Diego State (Sept. 18 at Michigan). The remaining 13 non-conference opponents consented to the use of instant replay, while the system was unavailable for the five home games not scheduled to be televised (Florida A&M and Western Michigan at Illinois; Central Michigan at Indiana; Kansas at Northwestern; Ball State at Purdue). The chart below breaks down instant replay usage so far this season. For more information on the Big Ten's instant replay system, go to www.bigten.org.

Week	Instant Replay Games	Stoppages for Replay	Calls Overturned	Avg. Time of Replay Games
Sept. 2-5	7	2	2	3:09
<i>Details: Both stoppages at Wisconsin game.</i>				
Sept. 11	4	3	0	3:19
<i>Details: Two stoppages at Minnesota, one stoppage at Ohio State.</i>				
Sept. 18	2	0	0	3:21
<i>Details: No stoppages for replay.</i>				

NOTE: The average time of all Big Ten games in 2003 was 3:13.

son, while attendance figures soared above 70,000 per game for the fourth consecutive year.

Big Ten Championships for Current Coaches: Eight current League coaches have earned at least one Big Ten crown in their careers, led by Michigan's Lloyd Carr with four titles. The complete list is below:

Lloyd Carr, MICH	4 (1997, 1998, 2000, 2003)
Barry Alvarez, WIS	3 (1993, 1998, 1999)
Ron Turner, ILL	1 (2001)
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	1 (2002)
Randy Walker, NU	1 (2000)
Jim Tressel, OSU	1 (2002)
Joe Paterno, PSU	1 (1994)
Joe Tiller, PUR	1 (2000)

Pre-Season Picks: Media members attending the Big Ten Conference media days in August selected Michigan to repeat as League champions while Ohio State was dubbed the No. 2 pick and Iowa was tabbed for third place (the Big Ten only releases a top three poll). Also chosen for awards by the media were Purdue quarterback **Kyle Orton** as Offensive Player of the Year and OSU linebacker **A.J. Hawk** as Defensive Player of the Year.

Wolverines Win 2003 Big Ten Championship: Michigan added to its Conference-high total of Big Ten crowns as the Wolverines claimed the 2003 title. Michigan now leads all Conference programs with 41 Big Ten Championships, including four in the last seven seasons (1997, 1998, 2000, 2003), as Ohio State ranks second with 29 titles and no other League team boasts half of UM's sum. Wolverines mentor **Lloyd Carr** now has four Conference crowns, more than any other active coach as Wisconsin's **Barry Alvarez** ranks second with three first-place finishes.

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<u>Team (1st Place Votes) Record</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>Prev.</u>
1. USC (54) 3-0	1,613	1
2. Oklahoma (10) 3-0	1,562	2
3. Georgia (1) 3-0	1,456	3
4. Miami 2-0	1,437	4
5. Texas 2-0	1,358	6
6. West Virginia 3-0	1,169	7
7. Ohio State 3-0	1,117	9
8. Florida State 1-1	1,079	8
9. Auburn 3-0	1,064	14
10. California 2-0	1,034	10
11. Tennessee 2-0	1,031	13
12. Virginia 3-0	919	12
13. LSU 2-1	844	5
14. Utah 3-0	763	15
15. Purdue 2-0	652	18
16. Florida 1-1	646	11
17. Fresno State 3-0	535	19
18. Michigan 2-1	478	17
19. Minnesota 3-0	475	22
20. Wisconsin 3-0	381	20
21. Boise State 3-0	307	23
22. Arizona State 3-0	210	NR
24. Louisville 2-0	195	24
25. Oklahoma State 3-0	134	NR

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Notre Dame 89, Memphis 78, **Iowa 66**, Kansas State 46, Southern Miss 34, Missouri 33, Virginia Tech 29, Alabama 23, Colorado 23, Boston College 19, Arkansas 9, Georgia Tech 4, South Carolina 4, UCLA 1.

ESPN / USA TODAY - Sept. 20

<u>Team (1st Place Votes) Record</u>	<u>PTS</u>	<u>Prev.</u>
1. USC (48) 3-0	1,510	1
2. Oklahoma (12) 3-0	1,465	2
3. Georgia 3-0	1,370	3
4. Miami (1) 2-0	1,357	5
5. Texas 2-0	1,258	6
6. Ohio State 3-0	1,192	7
7. West Virginia 3-0	1,047	8
8. Tennessee 2-0	971	13
9. California 2-0	937	10
10. Auburn 3-0	928	15
11. Florida State 1-1	896	11
12. Virginia 3-0	796	16
13. LSU 2-1	795	4
14. Utah 3-0	752	14
15. Purdue 2-0	662	18
16. Florida 1-1	532	9
17. Fresno State 3-0	500	20
18. Michigan 2-1	476	17
19. Minnesota 3-0	435	22
20. Wisconsin 3-0	395	21
21. Boise State 3-0	346	23
22. Louisville 2-0	204	24
23. Maryland 2-1	193	19
24. Iowa 2-1	147	12
25. Oklahoma State 3-0	144	NR

OTHERS RECEIVING VOTES: Arizona State 79, Virginia Tech 73, Memphis 66, Notre Dame 54, Kansas State 52, Missouri 37, Colorado 35, Boston College 30, Alabama 26, Nebraska 11, Southern Miss 11, N.C. State 8, Arkansas 8, Texas Tech 8, Bowling Green 5, Clemson 4, South Carolina 3, Texas A&M 3, Stanford 2, Oregon 1, UCLA 1.

2004 Week-by-Week Attendance

<u>Date</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>			<u>CONFERENCE</u>			
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>SO</u>
Sept. 4-5	9	650,916*	72,324	4	---	---	---	---
Sept. 11	8	497,723	62,215	5	---	---	---	---
Sept. 18	5	362,378	72,476	2	---	---	---	---
Sept. 25								
Oct. 2								
Oct. 9								
Oct. 16								
Oct. 23								
Oct. 30								
Nov. 6								
Nov. 13								
Nov. 20								
Totals:	22	1,511,017	68,683	11	---	---	---	---

* Denotes Big Ten single-day home attendance record

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>OVERALL</u>			<u>CONFERENCE</u>			
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>Games</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>SO</u>
Illinois	3	145,015	48,338	0	---	---	---	---
Indiana	1	36,041	36,041	0	---	---	---	---
Iowa	2	140,794	70,397	2	---	---	---	---
Michigan	2	220,247	110,124	2	---	---	---	---
Michigan State	2	147,870	73,935	2	---	---	---	---
Minnesota	2	79,150	39,575	0	---	---	---	---
Northwestern	2	46,756	23,378	0	---	---	---	---
Ohio State	2	209,226	104,613	2	---	---	---	---
Penn State	2	200,581	100,291	0	---	---	---	---
Purdue	2	121,150	60,575	1	---	---	---	---
Wisconsin	2	164,187	82,094	2	---	---	---	---

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Big Ten Coaches Top Winning Records -- All-Time (Conference games only - 10-year minimum)

<u>Coach, Team</u>	<u>Yrs</u>	<u>Seasons</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u>PCT</u>
Bo Schembechler, MICH	21	1969-89	143-24-3	.850
Fielding Yost, MICH	25	1901-23, '25-26	42-10-2	.796
Woody Hayes, OSU	28	1951-78	152-39-7	.785
Fritz Crisler, MICH	10	1938-47	42-11-3	.777
John Cooper, OSU	13	1988-2000	70-30-4	.692
Henry Williams, MINN	22	1900-21	50-22-5	.682
Bernie Bierman, MINN	16	1932-41, '45-50	57-28-6	.659
Bennie Oosterbaan, MICH	11	1948-58	44-23-4	.648
Jack Mollenkopf, PUR	14	1956-69	57-32-5	.633
Joe Paterno, PSU	12th	1993-	55-33-0	.625
Hayden Fry, IOWA	20	1979-98	98-55-5	.620
Amos Alonzo Stagg, CHI	37	1896-1932	116-75-13	.601
George Perles, MSU	12	1983-94	66-44-3	.597
Duffy Daugherty, MSU	19	1954-72	75-51-3	.593
J.W. Wilce, OSU	16	1913-28	37-30-4	.549
Murray Warmath, MINN	18	1954-71	65-57-4	.532
Bob Zuppke, ILL	29	1913-41	75-66-9	.530
Lynn Waldorf, NU	12	1935-46	34-31-7	.521
Bo McMillan, IND	14	1934-47	34-34-6	.500
Barry Alvarez, WIS	15th	1990-	54-55-3	.496
Current Coaches Nearing the 10-Year Mark:				
Lloyd Carr, MICH	10th	1995-	56-16-0	.778

Big Ten Coaching Records

<u>Coach, School</u>	<u>Career (Yrs)</u>	<u>At School (Yrs)</u>	<u>Big Ten Only</u>
Ron Turner, ILL	41-54 (9th)	34-50 (8th)	19-37
Gerry DiNardo, IND	58-69-1 (12th)	7-20 (3rd)	2-14
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	46-51 (9th)	34-30 (6th)	20-20
Lloyd Carr, MICH	88-27 (10th)	88-27 (10th)	56-16
John L. Smith, MSU	119-67 (16th)	9-7 (2nd)	5-3
Glen Mason, MINN	106-104-1 (19th)	47-40 (8th)	22-34
Randy Walker, NU	84-72-5 (15th)	25-37 (6th)	14-26
Jim Tressel, OSU	170-64-2 (19th)	35-7 (4th)	19-5
Joe Paterno, PSU	341-110-3 (39th)	341-110-3 (39th)	55-33
Joe Tiller, PUR	96-62-1 (14th)	57-32 (8th)	36-20
Barry Alvarez, WIS	102-67-4 (15th)	102-67-4 (15th)	54-55-3

Big Ten In the Polls (AP / ESPN-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>PUR</u>	<u>PSU</u>	<u>WIS</u>
Preseason	-/-	-/-	19/12	8/7	-/RV	25/T23	-/-	9/9	24/T23	RV/RV	21/22
August 30	-/-	-/-	19/13	8/7	-/RV	25/23	-/-	9/9	24/25	RV/-	21/22
Sept. 6	-/-	-/-	16/12	8/7	-/-	22/24	-/-	9/9	25/23	RV/RV	21/22
Sept. 13	-/-	-/-	16/12	17/17	-/-	22/22	-/-	9/7	18/18	-/-	20/21
Sept. 20	-/-	-/-	RV/24	18/18	-/-	19/19	-/-	7/6	15/15	-/-	20/20
Sept. 27											
Oct. 4											
Oct. 11											
Oct. 18											
Oct. 25											
Nov. 1											
Nov. 8											
Nov. 15											
Nov. 22											
Nov. 29											
Dec. 6											

RV - Receiving Votes

Big Ten Non-Conference Opponents in 2004: (Number in parenthesis indicates total times that a Big Ten team will face an opponent from this conference.)

ACC (1)	1-0
North Carolina State (1)	1-0
Big 12 (2)	2-0
Iowa State (1)	1-0
Kansas (1)	1-0
Big East (3)	1-2
Boston College (1)	0-1
Rutgers (1)	0-1
Syracuse (1)	1-0
Conference USA (2)	1-1
Cincinnati (1)	1-0
TCU (1)	0-1
Gateway (1)	1-0
Illinois State (1)	1-0
Mid-American (11)	11-0
Akron (1)	1-0
Ball State (1)	1-0
Central Florida (2)	2-0
Central Michigan (2)	2-0
Kent State (1)	1-0
Marshall (1)	1-0
Miami, OH (1)	1-0
Toledo (1)	1-0
Western Michigan (1)	1-0
Mountain West (3)	3-0
Colorado State (1)	1-0
UNLV (1)	1-0
San Diego State (1)	1-0
Pac-10 (5)	2-3
Arizona (1)	1-0
Arizona State (2)	0-2
UCLA (1)	0-1
Oregon (1)	1-0
SEC (1)	0-1
Kentucky (1)	0-1
WAC (2)	0-0
Hawaii (2)	0-0
Independent (4)	1-2
Florida A&M (1)	1-0
Notre Dame (3)	0-2
Total (35)	23-9
	(.719)

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2004 Players of the Week

- Sept. 6** O: Brett Basanez, NU: Set career-highs in all passing categories, connecting on 39-of-62 (.629) passes with 4 TDs and a school-record 513 yards; Also set school-best with 548 total yards of offense, which ranks second in Big Ten history.
D: Chad Greenway, IOWA: Team-high 10 tackles, 2 TFLs, blocked punt and first 2 interceptions of career, including a 30-yard TD; Team held Kent State offense to -13 rushing yards and no points in victory.
S: Rhys Lloyd, MINN: Tied school record by connecting on 9-of-9 extra points, placed only punt inside 20-yard line and also rushed for 2 first downs on fake punts, including a 21-yard run on the opening scoring drive.
- Sept. 13** O: Kyle Orton, PUR: Set school record for completion percentage by connecting on 23-of-26 passes (.885) for 329 yards and a career-best five TDs while adding a rushing TD in just over one half of play against Ball State.
D: Herana-Daze Jones, IND: Led Indiana defense that forced seven turnovers for a road victory over nationally-ranked Oregon, compiling 9 solo tackles, a TFL, a fumble recovery and an interception with just 3:24 left in the game.
S: Mike Nugent, OSU: Connected on a career-long 55-yard field goal, which equaled the longest boot in Ohio Stadium history, with no time on the clock to clinch a 24-21 victory over Marshall.
S: Jim Leonhard, WIS: Ran back a blocked field goal 86 yards for a TD and returned three punts for 58 yards to become Wisconsin's all-time leader in punt return yardage.
- Sept. 20** O: Marion Barber III, MINN: Set career-highs with 31 carries for 201 yards (6.5 avg.) while adding two TDs at Colorado State.
D: Erasmus James, WIS: Produced 5 tackles (4 solo), 2 sacks (-25 yards), 0.5 TFLs, PBU and a forced fumble at Arizona.
S: Mike Nugent, OSU: Equaled a school record with a career-best five field goals in win at North Carolina State.

Big Ten Team Championships (through 2003)

41	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
29	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
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	Wisconsin	1896-97-01c-06c-12-52c-59-62-93c-98c-99
10	Iowa	1900c-21-22c-56-58-60c-81c-85-90c-02c
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
1	Penn State	1994

c - co-championship

2004 BIG TEN FOOTBALL

No. 15/15 PURDUE at ILLINOIS

Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 • 11 a.m. CDT • ESPN Plus
Announcers: Wayne Larrivee, Randy Wright, Beth Mowins
Stadium: Memorial Stadium (69,249)
Series: Illinois leads 41-34-6
Last Meeting: Oct. 4, 2003: Purdue 43, Illinois 10

PURDUE (2-0 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Joe Tiller

Career: 96-62-1 (14th year)
At Purdue: 57-32 (8th year)

Offense: One-Back

Rush: Jerod Void (25-152 yards, 2 TDs)
Pass: Kyle Orton (56-39-616 yards, 9 TDs)
Rec.: Taylor Stubblefield (10-209, 5 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Kyle Smith (17 tackles)
Sacks: Ray Edwards (2-11 yards) and
Anthony Spencer (2-15 yards)
Int.: Paul Long (1-0 yards) and Bernard Pollard (1-19 yards)

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at (765) 494-3145 or via email at tschott@purdue.edu**

ILLINOIS (2-1 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Ron Turner

Career: 41-54 (9th year)
At Illinois: 34-50 (8th year)

Offense: Pro Style

Rush: EB Halsey (57-267 yards, 5 TDs) and
Pierre Thomas (35-270 yards, 2 TDs)
Pass: Jon Beutjer (40-28-374 yards, 2 TDs) or
Brad Bower (39-23-309 yards, TD)
Rec.: Kendrick Jones (12-265 yards, TD)

Defense: Multiple 4-3

Tackles: Matt Sinclair (29 tackles)
Sacks: Arthur Boyd III (2-10 yards)
Int.: Kelvin Hayden (2-23 yards, TD)

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244-3886 or via email at arner@uiuc.edu**

MICHIGAN STATE at INDIANA

Sat., Sept. 25, 2004 • 11 a.m. CDT/Noon EDT • ESPN Plus
Announcers: Craig Coshun, Charles Arbuckle
Stadium: Memorial Stadium (52,354)
Series: Michigan State leads 36-14-2
Last Meeting: Oct. 4, 2003: Michigan State 31, Indiana 3

MICHIGAN STATE (1-2 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: John L. Smith

Career: 119-67 (16th year)
At Michigan State: 9-7 (2nd year)

Offense: Spread

Rush: Jason Teague (39-174 yards, TD) and Jehuu
Caulcrick (30-152 yards, TD)
Pass: Damon Dowdell (39-22-270 yards, 2 TDs) or
Stephen Reaves (39-16-249 yards, TD) or
Drew Stanton (15-9-119 yards)
Rec.: Kyle Brown (10-176 yards, TD)

Defense: Multiple 4-3

Tackles: Eric Smith (30 tackles)
Sacks: Five players with 1 sack
Int.: Jason Harmon (1-19 yds) and Tyrell Dortch (1-0 yds)

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lewand19@ath.msu.edu**

INDIANA (2-1 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Gerry DiNardo

Career: 58-69-1 (12th year)
At Indiana: 7-20 (3rd year)

Offense: West Coast

Rush: BenJarvus Green-Ellis (80-303 yards, 2 TDs)
Pass: Matt LoVecchio (56-27-428 yards, 4 TDs)
Rec.: Courtney Roby (16-286 yards, 3 TDs)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Kyle Killion (32 tackles)
Sacks: Kyle Killion (3-27 yards)
Int.: Tracy Porter (2-98 yards, TD)

**Further Information: Contact Indiana SID Pete Rhoda at (812)
855-9399 or via email at prhoda@indiana.edu**

2004 BIG TEN FOOTBALL

No. -/24 IOWA at No. 18/18 MICHIGAN
Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 • 3:30 p.m. EDT • ABC
Announcers: Brent Musburger, Gary Danielson, Jack Arute
Stadium: Michigan Stadium (107,501)
Series: Michigan leads 37-10-4
Last Meeting: Oct. 4, 2003: Iowa 30, Michigan 27

IOWA (2-1 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Kirk Ferentz
Career: 46-51 (9th year)
At Iowa: 34-30 (6th year)

Offense: Multiple
Rush: Jermelle Lewis (40-116 yards)
Pass: Drew Tate (63-37-400 yards, 3 TDs)
Rec.: Ed Hinkel (9-130 yards, TD)

Defense: 4-3
Tackles: Chad Greenway (32 tackles)
Sacks: Jonathan Babineaux (3-18 yards)
Int.: Chad Greenway (2-54 yards, TD)

Further Information: Contact Iowa SID Phil Haddy at (319) 335-9411 or via email at phillip-haddy@hawkeyesports.com

MICHIGAN (2-1 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Lloyd Carr
Career: 88-27 (10th year)
At Michigan: Same

Offense: Multiple
Rush: Michael Hart (33-158 yards)
Pass: Chad Henne (88-50-544 yards, 5 TDs)
Rec.: Braylon Edwards (26-350 yards, 4 TDs)

Defense: Situational
Tackles: Ernest Shazor (19 tackles)
Sacks: Patrick Massey (2-14 yards)
Int.: Markus Curry (3-51 yards)

Further Information: Contact Michigan FB SIDs Dave Ablauf at (734) 763-4423 or via email at dablauf@umich.edu or Jim Schneider at (734) 763-1381 or via email at schneids@umich.edu

PENN STATE at No. 20/20 WISCONSIN
Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 • 4:45 p.m. CDT • ESPN
Announcers: Ron Franklin, Mike Gottfried, Erin Andrews
Stadium: Camp Randall Stadium (81,318)
Series: Wisconsin leads 6-3
Last Meeting: Oct. 4, 2003: Wisconsin 30, Penn State 23

PENN STATE (2-1 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Joe Paterno
Career: 341-110-3 (39th year)
At Penn State: Same

Offense: Multiple
Rush: Tony Hunt (38-303 yards, 4 TDs)
Pass: Zack Mills (81-51-591 yards, 4 TDs)
Rec.: Michael Robinson (15-182 yards, TD)

Defense: Multiple
Tackles: Paul Posluszny (24 tackles)
Sacks: Jay Alford (2-5 yards)
Int.: Anwar Phillips (2-47 yards)

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

WISCONSIN (3-0 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Barry Alvarez
Career: 102-67-4 (15th year)
At Wisconsin: Same

Offense: Multiple one- and two-back sets
Rush: Booker Stanley (64-231 yards, TD)
Pass: John Stocco (66-34-411 yards, 3 TDs)
Rec.: Booker Stanley (8-65 yards) and Owen Daniels (5-104 yards, TD)

Defense: Multiple
Tackles: Reginald Cribbs (19 tackles)
Sacks: Erasmus James (3-32 yards)
Int.: Anttaj Hawthorne (1-15 yards)

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NORTHWESTERN at No. 19/19 MINNESOTA

Saturday, Sept. 25, 2004 • 8 p.m. CDT • ESPN2
Announcers: Eric Collins, Andre Ware, Jimmy Dykes
Stadium: Metrodome (64,172)

Series: Minnesota leads 48-28-5

Last Meeting: Oct. 4, 2003: Minnesota 42, Northwestern 17

NORTHWESTERN (1-2 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Randy Walker

Career: 84-72-5 (15th year)

At Northwestern: 25-37 (6th year)

Offense: Multiple I

Rush: Noah Herron (63-284 yards, 3 TDs)

Pass: Brett Basanez (133-80-933 yards, 5 TDs)

Rec.: Mark Philmore (25-335 yards)

Defense: Multiple 4-3

Tackles: Tim McGarigle (29 tackles)

Sacks: Barry Cofield (3-8 yards)

Int.: Dominique Price (1-0 yards)

Further Information: Contact Northwestern SID Mike Wolf at (847) 491-7503 or via email at mwolf@northwestern.edu

MINNESOTA (3-0 overall, 0-0 Big Ten)

Coach: Glen Mason

Career: 106-104-1 (19th year)

At Minnesota: 47-40 (8th year)

Offense: Multiple

Rush: Marion Barber III (63-428 yards, 6 TDs) and Laurence Maroney (49-381 yards, 3 TDs)

Pass: Bryan Cupito (55-32-627 yards, 5 TDs)

Rec.: Jared Ellerson (12-219 yards, TD)

Defense: 4-3

Tackles: Terrance Campbell (22 tackles)

Sacks: Darrell Reid (2-17 yards)

Int.: Trumaine Banks (2-20 yds) and Ukee Dozier (2-20 yards)

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

Big Ten Players on Pre-Season Watch Lists

Biletnikoff Award

Best Wide Receiver

Jason Avant, MICH
Braylon Edwards, MICH
Jared Ellerson, MINN
Santonio Holmes, OSU
Taylor Stubblefield, PUR

Butkus Award

Best Linebacker

(10 semi-finalists named on Oct. 14; 3 finalists on Nov. 11; winner on Dec. 10)

Matt Sinclair, ILL
Chad Greenway, IOWA
Abdul Hodge, IOWA
Lawrence Reid, MICH
Pierre Woods, MICH
Ron Stanley, MSU
Bobby Carpenter, OSU
A.J. Hawk, OSU

Walter Camp

Player of the Year Award

(10 semi-finalists named in early Nov.; winner on Dec. 9)

Jermelle Lewis, IOWA
Braylon Edwards, MICH
Marion Barber III, MINN
A.J. Hawk, OSU
Kyle Orton, PUR
Anthony Davis, WIS

Lou Groza Award

Outstanding Placekicker

(20 semi-finalists named in early Nov.; 3 finalists in late Nov.; winner on Dec. 9)

Dave Rayner, MSU
Rhys Lloyd, MINN
Mike Nugent, OSU
Ben Jones, PUR

Ted Hendricks Award

**Outstanding Defensive End
(Winner named in Jan.)**

Matt Roth, IOWA
Cliff Dukes, MSU
Loren Howard, NU
Simon Fraser, OSU

Rotary Lombardi Award

Outstanding Lineman

(Winner named on Dec. 8)

Matt Roth, IOWA
David Baas, MICH
Pierre Woods, MICH
Cliff Dukes, MSU
Greg Eslinger, MINN
Loren Howard, NU
Zach Strief, NU
Simon Fraser, OSU
A.J. Hawk, OSU
Dan Buenning, WIS
Anttaj Hawthorne, WIS
Donovan Raiola, WIS

Bronko Nagurski Trophy

Top Defensive Player

(Winner named on Dec. 6)

Matt Roth, IOWA
Pierre Woods, MICH
Simon Fraser, OSU
Anttaj Hawthorne, WIS

Davey O'Brien Award

Outstanding Quarterback

(Semi- and finalists named in Nov.; winner named on Dec. 9)

Jon Beutjer, ILL
Matt LoVecchio, IND
Zack Mills, PSU
Kyle Orton, PUR

Outland Trophy

**Outstanding Interior Lineman
(Winner named on Dec. 9)**

David Baas, MICH
Greg Eslinger, MINN
Dan Buenning, WIS
Anttaj Hawthorne, WIS
Donovan Raiola, WIS

Rimington Trophy

Outstanding Center (awarded in Dec.)

Chris Morris, MSU
Greg Eslinger, MINN
Nick Mangold, OSU
Donovan Raiola, WIS

Jim Thorpe Award

Outstanding Defensive Back

(10 semi-finalists named on Nov. 1; 3 finalists on Nov. 22; winner on Dec. 9)

Marlin Jackson, MICH
Ernest Shazor, MICH
Dustin Fox, OSU
Alan Zemaitis, PSU
Jim Leonhard, WIS

Johnny Unitas

Golden Arm Award

**Top Senior Quarterback
(5 finalists named on Oct. 20; winner on Dec. 1)**

Zack Mills, PSU
Kyle Orton, PUR

Doak Walker Award

**Outstanding Running Back
(semi-finalists named on Nov. 15; winner on Dec. 9)**

E.B. Halsey, ILL
Marion Barber III, MINN
Lydell Ross, OSU
Jerod Void, PUR
Anthony Davis, WIS

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Illinois (2-1, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 52-13	Florida A&M	46,106
Sept. 11	L, 17-35	UCLA	47,457
Sept. 18	W, 30-27	Western Michigan	51,452
Sept. 25		No. 15/15 Purdue	
Oct. 2		at Wisconsin	
Oct. 9		at Michigan State	
Oct. 16		Michigan	
Oct. 23		at Minnesota	
Oct. 30		Iowa	
Nov. 6		Indiana	
Nov. 20		at Northwestern	

Indiana (2-1, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 41-10	Central Michigan	36,041
Sept. 11	W, 30-24	at No. 24/25 Oregon	57,550
Sept. 18	L, 32-51	at Kentucky	65,532
Sept. 25		Michigan State	
Oct. 2		Michigan	
Oct. 9		at Northwestern	
Oct. 23		at Ohio State	
Oct. 30		Minnesota	
Nov. 6		at Illinois	
Nov. 13		Penn State	
Nov. 20		at Purdue	

Iowa (2-1, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 39-7	Kent	70,397
Sept. 11	W, 17-10	Iowa State	70,397
Sept. 18	L, 7-44	at Arizona State	71,700
Sept. 25		at No. 18/18 Michigan	
Oct. 2		Michigan State	
Oct. 16		Ohio State	
Oct. 23		at Penn State	
Oct. 30		at Illinois	
Nov. 6		Purdue	
Nov. 13		at Minnesota	
Nov. 20		Wisconsin	

Michigan (2-1, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 43-10	Miami (OH)	110,815
Sept. 11	L, 20-28	at Notre Dame	80,795
Sept. 18	W, 24-21	San Diego State	109,432
Sept. 25		No. -/24 Iowa	
Oct. 2		at Indiana	
Oct. 9		Minnesota	
Oct. 16		at Illinois	
Oct. 23		at Purdue	
Oct. 30		Michigan State	
Nov. 13		Northwestern	
Nov. 20		at Ohio State	

Michigan State (1-2, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	L, 14-19	at Rutgers	42,612
Sept. 11	W, 24-7	Central Michigan	72,908
Sept. 18	L, 24-31	Notre Dame	74,962
Sept. 25		at Indiana	
Oct. 2		at Iowa	
Oct. 9		Illinois	
Oct. 16		Minnesota	
Oct. 30		at Michigan	
Nov. 6		Ohio State	
Nov. 13		Wisconsin	
Nov. 20		at Penn State	
Dec. 4		at Hawaii	

Minnesota (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 63-21	Toledo	45,144
Sept. 11	W, 37-21	Illinois State	34,006
Sept. 18	W, 34-16	at Colorado State	33,501
Sept. 25		Northwestern	
Oct. 2		Penn State	
Oct. 9		at Michigan	
Oct. 16		at Michigan State	
Oct. 23		Illinois	
Oct. 30		at Indiana	
Nov. 6		at Wisconsin	
Nov. 13		Iowa	

Northwestern (1-2, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 2	L, 45-48	at TCU (20T)	26,843
Sept. 11	L, 21-30	Arizona State	21,939
Sept. 18	W, 20-17	Kansas	24,817
Sept. 25		at No. 19/19 Minnesota	
Oct. 2		Ohio State	
Oct. 9		Indiana	
Oct. 23		at Wisconsin	
Oct. 30		Purdue	
Nov. 6		at Penn State	
Nov. 13		at Michigan	
Nov. 20		Illinois	
Nov. 27		at Hawaii	

Ohio State (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 27-6	Cincinnati	104,604
Sept. 11	W, 24-21	Marshall	104,622
Sept. 18	W, 22-14	at N. Carolina State	56,800
Oct. 2		at Northwestern	
Oct. 9		Wisconsin	
Oct. 16		at Iowa	
Oct. 23		Indiana	
Oct. 30		Penn State	
Nov. 6		at Michigan State	
Nov. 13		at Purdue	
Nov. 20		Michigan	

Penn State (2-1, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 48-10	Akron	98,866
Sept. 11	L, 7-21	at Boston College	44,500
Sept. 18	W, 37-13	Central Florida	101,715
Sept. 25		at No. 20/20 Wisconsin	
Oct. 2		at Minnesota	
Oct. 9		Purdue	
Oct. 23		Iowa	
Oct. 30		at Ohio State	
Nov. 6		Northwestern	
Nov. 13		at Indiana	
Nov. 20		Michigan State	

Purdue (2-0, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 5	W, 51-0	Syracuse	56,827
Sept. 11	W, 59-7	Ball State	64,323
Sept. 25		at Illinois	
Oct. 2		at Notre Dame	
Oct. 9		at Penn State	
Oct. 16		Wisconsin	
Oct. 23		Michigan	
Oct. 30		at Northwestern	
Nov. 6		at Iowa	
Nov. 13		Ohio State	
Nov. 20		Indiana	

Wisconsin (3-0, 0-0)

Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
Sept. 4	W, 34-6	Central Florida	82,116
Sept. 11	W, 18-3	UNLV	82,071
Sept. 18	W, 9-7	at Arizona	50,275
Sept. 25		Penn State	
Oct. 2		Illinois	
Oct. 9		at Ohio State	
Oct. 16		at Purdue	
Oct. 23		Northwestern	
Nov. 6		Minnesota	
Nov. 13		at Michigan State	
Nov. 20		at Iowa	

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