

BIG TEN FOOTBALL WEEKLY RELEASE

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TOP STORIES

- Ohio State and Penn State Share Big Ten Title for Second Time in Four Seasons.
- Buckeyes Become First Team to Win Four Straight Crowns Since Michigan from 1988-92.
- Nittany Lions Earn Automatic BCS Berth.
- Purdue's Joe Tiller Ends Career with a Win.
- Seven Big Ten Schools Set to go Bowling.
- Big Ten Breaks Five-Million Mark in Attendance and Equals Single-Season Sellout Record.

2008 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	W2	11-1	.917	7-0	4-1	0-0	4-0	W2
Ohio State # *	7-1	.875	3-1	4-0	W3	10-2	.833	6-1	4-1	0-0	3-2	W3
3. Michigan State *	6-2	.750	3-1	3-1	L1	9-3	.750	6-1	3-2	0-0	1-2	L1
4. Northwestern *	5-3	.625	2-2	3-1	W2	9-3	.750	5-2	4-1	0-0	1-2	W2
Iowa *	5-3	.625	3-1	2-2	W3	8-4	.667	6-1	2-3	0-0	1-0	W3
6. Minnesota *	3-5	.375	1-3	2-2	L4	7-5	.583	4-3	3-2	0-0	0-1	L4
Wisconsin *	3-5	.375	2-2	1-3	W2	7-5	.583	5-2	2-3	0-0	1-3	W3
Illinois	3-5	.375	2-2	1-3	L2	5-7	.417	4-2	1-3	0-2	0-4	L3
9. Purdue	2-6	.250	2-2	0-4	W1	4-8	.333	4-3	0-5	0-0	0-5	W1
Michigan	2-6	.250	1-3	1-3	L2	3-9	.250	2-5	1-4	0-0	1-2	L2
11. Indiana	1-7	.125	1-3	0-4	L3	3-9	.250	3-5	0-4	0-0	1-1	L4

Big Ten Co-Champions * Bowl-Eligible Teams

BIG TEN. BIG NEWS.

Ohio State and Penn State Share 2008 Big Ten Championship: For the second time in four seasons, Ohio State and Penn State ended the year tied atop the conference standings at 7-1 to share the 2008 Big Ten Championship. The Buckeyes were the first to clinch a share of the crown, defeating Michigan on Saturday to secure a fourth straight Big Ten title. Later in the day, the Nittany Lions knocked off Michigan State to secure a piece of the title. OSU and PSU produced identical 7-1 marks in 2005, before moving on to win the Fiesta and Orange Bowls, respectively.

CONSECUTIVE BIG TEN TITLES	
Titles	School (Years)
6	OSU (1972-77)
5	MICH (1988-92)
4	MICH (1901-04)
4	MICH (1930-33)
4	MICH (1947-50)
4	MICH (1971-74)
4	OSU (2005-08)

Five Titles in 10 Years: Ohio State tops all Big Ten schools with five titles over the last decade, including first-place finishes in 2002, 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008. Michigan ranks second with three championships over that time span (2000, 2003, 2004), followed by a pair of first-place finishes for Iowa (2002, 2004) and Penn State (2005, 2008) and one title for Illinois (2001), Northwestern (2000), Purdue (2000) and Wisconsin (1999). Overall, eight schools have won at least one title in the last decade.

OSU Claims Fourth Straight Title: Ohio State earned a share of its fourth straight Big Ten Championship, becoming the first team to finish first in four straight seasons since Michigan won at least a share of five consecutive championships from 1988-92. The last time the Buckeyes won at least part of four straight titles was when the program set a conference-record with six straight crowns from 1972-77. Ohio State has now won 33 Big Ten titles, which ranks second only to the Wolverines' sum of 42.

PSU Wins Second Championship in Four Years: Penn State finished first in the conference standings for the second time in the last four seasons and the third time overall. The Nittany Lions were a perfect 8-0 in conference play in 1994, their second season of Big Ten competition, on the way to a Rose Bowl triumph and an unblemished 12-0 campaign. In 2005, PSU earned a share of its second crown with a 7-1 record to end the regular season tied with Ohio State atop the standings. Penn State is the sixth program since 1990 to win at least two Big Ten titles over a four-year span. Michigan and Ohio State have accomplished that feat on multiple occasions in the last 19 seasons, along with two championships in four seasons by Iowa (2002-2004), Wisconsin (1998-1999) and Northwestern (1995-96).

Nittany Lions Earn BCS Bid: Penn State collected the Big Ten's automatic Bowl Championship Series (BCS) berth for the second time in the last four seasons based on the Nittany Lion's 13-6 victory at Ohio State on Oct. 25. PSU also earned the BCS automatic bid in 2005, ending the regular season tied atop the standings with OSU but winning the tie-breaker based on a victory over the Buckeyes. Penn State is one of six Big Ten schools in the 11 years of the BCS to gain automatic qualification joining Ohio State (2002, 2006, 2007), Illinois (2001), Michigan (2003, 2004), Purdue (2000), and Wisconsin (1998, 1999). Overall, the Big Ten entered the 2008 campaign with a conference-best 17 BCS berths in its first decade of existence, sending a second team to the BCS in 1998 (Ohio State), 1999 (Michigan), 2002 (Iowa), 2003 (Ohio State), 2005 (Ohio State), 2006 (Michigan) and 2007 (Illinois).

Tiller Ends Career With Win: In his final game as a head coach, Purdue's Joe Tiller ended his career in style with a 62-10 victory over Indiana. The Boilermakers' mentor improved to 87-62 in his 12 years in West Lafayette, making him the winningest coach in school history. He also built a 10-2 record against the Hoosiers and reclaimed the Old Oaken Bucket in his final game. Tiller took Purdue to 10 bowl games in his 12 seasons, after the program made only five bowl trips in its first 100-plus years of football.

RESULTS FROM NOV. 22

PURDUE def. INDIANA, 62-10
No. 10 OHIO STATE def. MICHIGAN, 42-7
WISCONSIN def. Cal-Poly, 36-35 (OT)
NORTHWESTERN def. ILLINOIS, 27-10
No. 8 PENN STATE def.
No. 15 MICHIGAN STATE, 49-18
IOWA def. MINNESOTA, 55-0

Rankings: BCS

2008 FOOTBALL HONORS ANNOUNCED ON BIG TEN TONIGHT

The Big Ten Network will present the live, exclusive announcement of the 2008 All-Big Ten football teams and individual honors during a special edition of *Big Ten Tonight* at 6:30 p.m. CT on Monday, Nov. 24. Dave Revsine will host the announcement alongside analysts Gerry DiNardo and Howard Griffith, with select award winners joining them during the 30-minute program. The special edition of *Big Ten Tonight* will reveal the All-Big Ten teams as selected by both the coaches and the media. Coaches and media each will select a Big Ten Offensive Player, Defensive Player and Freshman of the Year. Media will also honor the Dave McClain Coach of the Year while the coaches will pick an Offensive and Defensive Lineman of the Year.



BIG TEN. BIG NEWS, cont.

Tressel Joins Prestigious Company with Fifth Title: Ohio State's Jim Tressel joined elite company, becoming just the fourth coach in 113 years of Big Ten football to collect five or more titles in his first eight years with a conference institution. Tressel earned his first Big Ten title in his second year in Columbus, guiding the Buckeyes to a perfect season and a national championship in 2002. After a two-year lay-off, he has claimed at least a share of the last four conference crowns to boost his total to five Big Ten Championships. Michigan's Bo Schembechler holds the Big Ten record by finishing first in six of his first eight campaigns from 1969-76. Fellow-Wolverine Fielding Yost collected five championships from 1901-08, while Minnesota's Bernie Bierman won five titles from 1932-39.

More on the Four: Tressel also became just the fifth coach in Big Ten history to win four straight titles and the first since fellow-Buckeye Woody Hayes claimed a school-record six straight crowns from 1972-77. The other mentors to finish first in four straight seasons are the Michigan trio of Schembechler (1971-74), Harry Kipke (1930-33) and Yost (1901-04).

Paterno Nabs Third Big Ten Crown: Penn State's Joe Paterno earned his third Big Ten crown and second in the last four seasons. Paterno picked up his first conference title in just his second season in the Big Ten, leading the Nittany Lions to a perfect 12-0 overall record in 1994. He earned his second championship after finishing the 2005 season tied at 7-1 atop the standings with Ohio State, a feat he repeated this season for a third title. Paterno is the 20th head coach to collect three or more Big Ten Championships.

Penn State Joins Michigan and Ohio State in 800-Win Club: Penn State earned the 800th victory in program history on Saturday with a win over Michigan State. The Nittany Lions are the sixth school to boast 800 or more victories, including two other Big Ten programs. Michigan holds the national record with 872 triumphs all-time and is joined by Notre Dame (830 wins), Texas (830), Nebraska (815) and Ohio State (808), which joined 800-plus victory club earlier this season.

OSU Joins PSU With 10 or More Wins: Ohio State became the second Big Ten team to collect 10 or more wins this season, improving to 10-2 with a triumph over Michigan. The Buckeyes have posted at least 10 wins for the fourth straight year, the longest streak of double-digit victories for the school since racking up 10 or more triumphs during the 1995-98 seasons. Penn State hit the 10-win plateau on Nov. 15 and added an 11th triumph on Saturday against Michigan State. The Nittany Lions are now 11-1 to crack double-digits in victories for the second time in four seasons and the sixth time since joining the conference in 1993. PSU ended the 2005 campaign with a record of 11-1 and also tallied 10 or more wins during the 1993, 1994, 1996 and 1999 seasons.

Spartans and Wildcats Target Double-Digit Wins: Michigan State and Northwestern ended the regular-season with 9-3 marks and will aim for 10th victories in their respective bowl games. The last time the Spartans won 10 or more games was when the program went 10-2 in 1999, capped by a triumph over Florida in the Citrus Bowl. Second-year head coach Mark Dantonio was the defensive secondary coach at Michigan State that season. The Wildcats' last 10-win season occurred in 1995, when NU claimed the Big Ten title with a perfect 8-0 mark and ended the year at 10-2 after a loss to USC in the Rose Bowl. The 1995 Northwestern team returned to bowl play for the first time since 1948 and were led by Nagurksi Award-winning linebacker Pat Fitzgerald, who is now the Wildcats third-year head coach.

Seven Big Ten Schools Set To Go Bowling: For the fourth straight season, at least seven Big Ten teams will play in bowl games, the longest streak of seven or more bowl berths in conference history. Penn State (11-1) secured the conference's automatic berth into the BCS and will be joined by Ohio State (10-2), Michigan State (9-3), Northwestern (9-3), Iowa (8-4), Minnesota (7-5) and Wisconsin (7-5) in postseason action. The Big Ten has seven bowl tie-ins this season - the Rose Bowl/Bowl Championship Series (BCS) game, Capital One, Outback, Alamo, Champs Sports, Insight and Motor City Bowls. If the Big Ten

COACHES WITH FIVE OR MORE BIG TEN TITLES

Titles	Coach
13	Schembechler, MICH Hayes, OSU
10	Yost, MICH
8	Williams, MINN
7	Stagg, CHI Zuppke, ILL Bierman, MINN
5	Carr, MICH Tressel, OSU

BIG TEN PLAYERS OF THE WEEK -- GAMES OF NOV. 22

CO-OFFENSE:



Daryll Clark, Penn State
JR, QB, Youngstown, Ohio/Ursuline

Clark accounted for a career-high five touchdowns and 341 passing yards to lead Penn State to a win over Michigan State and a share of the Big Ten title. The junior quarterback completed 16-of-26 passes (61.5 percent) with a career-best four touchdowns and added a one-yard rushing score against the Spartans. Clark averaged 21.3 yards per completion, connecting on throws of 70, 49, 37, 33 and 32 yards. The Ohio native opened the scoring with a five-yard toss in the first quarter and his one-yard touchdown run and 32-yard scoring strike in the second quarter pushed the hosts ahead 28-0. He added touchdown passes of four and 70 yards in the third quarter before sitting out the final stanza. Clark's 341-yard passing performance marked the most yards through the air for a PSU player since 2003 when Michael Robinson compiled 379 yards against Wisconsin. Clark picks up his second weekly accolade this season and for his career after being honored on Oct. 13. **LAST PSU OFFENSIVE POW: QB Daryll Clark on Oct. 13, 2008.**



Curtis Painter, Purdue
SR, QB, Vincennes, Ind./Lincoln

In his final college football game, Painter set a season high with 448 passing yards and connected on five scoring strikes to lead Purdue to 62 points and give head coach Joe Tiller a victory in his last game on the sidelines. The senior quarterback equaled a career high with 38 completions on 54 attempts, connecting on 70.4 percent of his passes, and added an 18-yard reception to help the Boilermakers reclaim the Old Oaken Bucket. Painter tossed touchdowns to five different players in the game, including three scores in the first quarter as Purdue sprinted to a 24-0 lead. He added two more touchdown passes in the second half, the last of which made the final score 62-10, the largest margin of victory against Indiana since 1893 and tied for the biggest deficit in Ross-Ade Stadium history. Painter earns the fourth offensive player of the week award of his career after being honored on Sept. 10, 2007, and Oct. 16 and Nov. 27, 2006.

LAST PUR OFFENSIVE POW: QB Justin Siller on Nov. 3, 2008.

DEFENSE:



Kevin Mims, Northwestern
SR, DE, The Woodlands, Texas/The Woodlands

Mims equaled a season high with seven tackles, including 2.5 sacks, and forced a fumble to help hold Illinois' high-powered offense to a season-low 10 points and boost Northwestern to its ninth victory of the season. The Illini entered the game averaging a conference-best 440.3 yards of total offense per game but were held 113 yards below their season average by the Wildcats defense. Mims' 2.5 sacks pushed the visitors back 14 yards as NU recorded five quarterback drops on the day. The senior defensive tackle added a key forced fumble in the fourth quarter as Illinois drove to midfield looking to cut into a 24-10 deficit. With less than eight minutes remaining, Mims broke through for the sack and knocked the ball loose to set up a short drive which led to a field goal and the final score of 27-10. Mims collects the first weekly accolade of his career.

LAST NU DEFENSIVE POW: S Brendan Smith on Nov. 3, 2008.

SPECIAL TEAMS:



Ryan Donahue, Iowa
SO, P, Evergreen Park, Ill./St. Rita

Donahue averaged 48.5 yards per punt and placed one inside the 20-yard line to help Iowa pick up a road victory at Minnesota. The sophomore punter booted four kicks for 194 yards, including a long of 57 yards. The Hawkeyes also collected a fumble on one of his punts which led to a short touchdown drive and a 34-0 lead. He has recorded at least one punt over 50 yards in eight of his last 10 games. Donahue picks up his second weekly laurel in as many seasons after being honored as a freshman on Oct. 29, 2007.

LAST IOWA SPECIAL TEAMS POW: PR Andy Brodell on Sept. 15, 2008.

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champion (or co-champion) is ranked No. 1 or No. 2 in the final BCS rankings, then that team will participate in the BCS National Championship Game, to be played on Jan. 8, 2009 in Miami, Fla.

Paterno Still the One: Penn State's **Joe Paterno** picked up his 383rd victory on Saturday and currently holds the all-time victory record among Football Bowl Subdivision coaches. Paterno stands at 383-126-3 in his 43rd season leading the Nittany Lions while Florida State's Bobby Bowden earned his 381st win at Maryland. Paterno has now been on the sidelines for 512 career games, one of only three mentors in NCAA history to crack that barrier along with former Big Ten coach Amos Alonzo Stagg (548 games from 1890-1946 with Springfield, Chicago and Pacific) and Bowden (506 games).

Paterno Climbs to Sixth Place in Century Club: Penn State's **Joe Paterno** picked up his 136th triumph since joining the conference to move into a tie for sixth place on the list of 12 mentors to collect 100 or more wins while at a Big Ten school. Paterno stands at 136-59 in 15-plus seasons since 1993 to equal Minnesota's Henry Williams, who produced a record of 136-33-11 from 1900-21. The only Big Ten coaches with more victories at a conference institution are Ohio State's Woody Hayes (205-61-10), Chicago's Amos Alonzo Stagg (199-94-22), the Michigan duo of Bo Schembechler (194-48-5) and Fielding Yost (165-29-10) and Iowa's Hayden Fry (143-89-6).

Five-Million Fan March: For the fourth straight season and just the sixth time in Big Ten history, the conference surpassed the five-million mark in overall attendance with a total of 5,399,659 fans attending 77 contests this year. The Big Ten's attendance in all games ranks as the third-highest total in conference annals behind only the 2002 (5,499,439) and 2007 (5,408,019) campaigns. Conference schools averaged 70,125 fans per home contest this season, cracking the 70,000-barrier for the sixth time in the last eight seasons. The Big Ten also broke the three-million barrier in conference games only over the weekend with 3,172,365 fans attending 44 contests on the year, an average of 72,099 patrons per outing -- the second-highest total and average attendance numbers in Big Ten history behind only the 2005 numbers (3,175,427 total; 72,169 average).

Big Ten Equals Sellout Record: Big Ten schools produced four full houses in the final weekend of regular-season action, boosting the season total to 42 sellouts to equal the conference record set last season. Ohio State, Penn State, Purdue and Wisconsin filled their stadiums on Saturday while Minnesota set a season-high with 64,071 patrons in its final game at the Metrodome, just 101 fans shy of a sellout. The Boilermakers packed Ross-Ade Stadium in the final game for head coach **Joe Tiller**, their first sellout this season. Nine Big Ten schools posted at least one full house this season, as the Buckeyes and Badgers sold out every home game.

Big Ten Individual Leaders . . . : With the Big Ten season now complete, the conference crowned new statistical champions for conference games only in all categories appearing in the records book. Iowa's **Shonn Greene** topped the Big Ten in two categories with 152.9 rushing yards and 9.8 points per contest. The

junior running back gave the Hawkeyes the Big Ten rushing leader for the second time in four years, after Albert Young rated first in 2005. Greene's 13 touchdowns make him the first Iowa standout to top the conference in scoring since Wilburn Hollis tied for the Big Ten lead with eight touchdowns in 1960. Ohio State quarterback **Terrelle Pryor** led the Big Ten with a pass efficiency rating of 151.3, becoming the first freshman since at least 1980 to top the conference in that category. The only other freshman to lead the Big Ten in passing since 1939 was Purdue's Mark Herrmann, who ranked first in 1977 based on comparative grading. The Illinois tandem of quarterback **Juice Williams** and wide receiver **Arrelious Benn** ended the regular season atop two different categories. Williams ranked first with 319.4 yards of total offense per game while Benn led the Big Ten with 99.2 receiving yards per game. The last Illini standout to lead the conference in total offense was Kurt Kittner in 2001 while Benn becomes the first Illinois wide-out to lead in receiving yardage since at least 1985. Minnesota's **Eric Decker** topped the Big Ten with 6.29 receptions per outing to become the first Gopher to top the conference in catches per game since Omar Douglas in 1993. On special teams, Michigan State's **Aaron Bates** averaged 43.0 yards per punt to lead all Big Ten players, marking the third time in the last six years a Spartans' punter rated first in the conference following Brandon Fields in 2003 and 2004.

. . . and Team Leaders: In the team statistics, Big Ten Co-Champions Ohio State and Penn State were joined by Illinois on top of two major statistical categories each. The Buckeyes led the Big Ten in scoring defense for the fourth straight season by allowing only 12.2 points per game while also topping the conference in rushing offense for the second time in three years with 205.6 yards per outing. OSU is just the second school since 1936 to rank first in points allowed per contest in four straight campaigns, a feat first accomplished by Michigan from 1969-72. The Nittany Lions limited opponents to 284.8 yards per game to lead the Big Ten in total defense for the first time since joining the conference in 1993, snapping Ohio State's three-year dominance of that category. PSU also rated first in scoring offense for the second time in four seasons with 33.9 points per outing. The Fighting Illini topped the Big Ten in the remaining offensive categories with 427.1 yards of total offense and 271.5 yards of passing offense per contest. The last time Illinois ranked first in total offense was in 1981, while the last time the program led the way in passing offense was in 2002. Among the remaining major statistical categories, Iowa topped the Big Ten in rushing defense by allowing only 97.9 yards per game while Purdue rated first in passing defense by limiting opponents to only 152.5 yards per outing. The Hawkeyes ranked first in stopping the rush for the third time in the last seven years, including 2002 and 2004. The Boilermakers led the conference in passing defense for the first time since 1961.

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OTHER TOP PERFORMERS -- GAMES OF NOV. 22

OFFENSE:

IOWA RB Shonn Greene: Registered 144 yards on 22 attempts (6.5 avg.) and two TDs at Minnesota to boost his season total to a school-record 1,729 yards.

NU QB C.J. Bachér: Totaled 264 yards of offense, completing 22-of-33 passes (66.7 pct.) for 230 yards and two TDs and adding 34 rushing yards.

WIS RB John Clay: Average 9.7 yards per carry for 107 yards on 11 carries with two TDs, including the game-winner in OT against Cal Poly.

DEFENSE:

IND LB Tyler Replogle: Racked up a career-high 19 tackles (nine solo), including a three-yard sack.

IOWA CB Amare Spivey: Returned an interception 57 yards for a TD and added four tackles (all solo) to help Iowa shutout Minnesota.

OSU LB James Laurinaitis: Collected 12 tackles (four solo) and a four-yard sack against Michigan.

PSU LB Tyrell Sales: Registered six tackles (three solo) and 1.5 TFLs (-4 yards) to help hold Michigan State to only 35 rushing yards.

PUR S Torri Williams: Recorded seven tackles (all solo) with an interception and forced fumble.

WIS S Aubrey Pleasant: Posted a career-high 12 tackles (eight solo) against Cal Poly.

SPECIAL TEAMS:

NU PR Brendan Smith: Returned two punts for 58 yards (29.0 avg.), including a 51-yard sprint in the fourth quarter to set up a TD and a 24-10 lead.

PSU P Jeremy Boone: Recorded three punts for 140 yards (46.7 avg.), with a long of 50 yards and two placed inside the 20-yard line against MSU.

WIS K Philip Welch: Connected on all four extra points, including the game-winner in OT vs. Cal Poly.

2008-09 BIG TEN BOWL LINEUP



Dec. 26, 2008
MOTOR CITY BOWL
 Big Ten vs. MAC
 7:30 p.m. EST - ESPN
 Ford Field - Detroit, Mich.



Dec. 27, 2008
CHAMPS SPORTS BOWL
 Big Ten vs. ACC
 4:30 p.m. EST - ESPN
 Florida Citrus Bowl Stadium - Orlando, Fla.



Dec. 29, 2008
VALERO ALAMO BOWL
 Big Ten vs. Big 12
 8 p.m. EST - ESPN
 Alamodome - San Antonio, Texas



Dec. 31, 2008
INSIGHT BOWL
 Big Ten vs. Big 12
 6 p.m. EST - NFL Network
 Sun Devil Stadium - Tempe, Ariz.



Jan. 1, 2009
OUTBACK BOWL
 Big Ten vs. SEC
 11 a.m. EST - ESPN
 Raymond James Stadium - Tampa, Fla.



Jan. 1, 2009
CAPITAL ONE BOWL
 Big Ten vs. SEC
 1 p.m. EST - ABC
 Florida Citrus Bowl Stadium - Orlando, Fla.



Jan. 1, 2009
ROSE BOWL
 BCS vs. BCS
 5 p.m. EST - ABC
 Rose Bowl - Pasadena, Calif.

No Plays: Each year, two Big Ten teams do not meet. Below is the breakdown of "no-plays" for 2008:

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

BIG TEN STANDOUTS ON THE NATIONAL AWARDS SCENE

Bednarik Award
 Top Defensive Player
SEMIFINALISTS
 Malcolm Jenkins, OSU
 James Laurinaitis, OSU
 Aaron Maybin, PSU

Maxwell Award
 Top College Player
SEMIFINALISTS
 Shonn Greene, IOWA
 Javon Ringer, MSU
 Darryll Clark, PSU

Biletnikoff Award
 Top Wide Receiver
FINALIST
 Eric Decker, MINN

Davey O'Brien Award
 Outstanding Quarterback
SEMIFINALIST
 Darryll Clark, PSU

Walter Camp
 Player of the Year Award
 Top College Player
SEMIFINALISTS
 Javon Ringer, MSU
 James Laurinaitis, OSU
 Aaron Maybin, PSU

Jim Thorpe Award
 Outstanding Defensive Back
SEMIFINALISTS
 Vontae Davis, ILL
 Otis Wiley, MSU
 Malcolm Jenkins, OSU

Lou Groza Award
 Outstanding Place Kicker
SEMIFINALISTS
 Kevin Kelly, PSU
 Phillip Welch, WIS

Doak Walker Award
 Top Running Back
SEMIFINALISTS
 Shonn Greene, IOWA
 Javon Ringer, MSU
 Evan Royster, PSU

Ray Guy Award
 Top Punter
SEMIFINALISTS
 Ryan Donahue, IOWA
 Zoltan Mesko, MICH
 A.J. Trapasso, OSU

Munger Award
 Top Head Coach
SEMIFINALISTS
 Mark Dantonio, MSU
 Tim Brewster, MINN
 Pat Fitzgerald, NU
 Joe Paterno, PSU

Rotary Lombardi Award
 Outstanding Lineman
FINALIST
 James Laurinaitis, OSU

BIG TEN PLAYERS ON THE ACADEMIC AWARDS SCENE

ESPN The Magazine
Academic All-District First Teams
 Jon Asamoah, ILL
 Ryan McDonald, ILL
 Austin Starr, IND

Draddy Trophy
 Nation's Top Scholar-Athlete
FINALISTS
 Ryan McDonald, ILL
 Brian Robiskie, OSU

Rob Bruggeman, IOWA
 Anton Narinskiy, IOWA
 Julian Vandervelde, IOWA
 Andrew Hawken, MSU
 Blair White, MSU
 Eric Decker, MINN
 Jeff Tow-Arnett, MINN
 Phil Brunner, NU
 Marcus Freeman, OSU
 Brian Robiskie, OSU
 Jeremy Boone, PSU
 Gerald Cadogan, PSU
 Pat Devlin, PSU
 Josh Hull, PSU
 Andrew Pitz, PSU
 Mark Rubin, PSU
 Stefen Wisniewski, PSU
 Joe Holland, PUR
 Ryan Kerrigan, PUR
 Zach Brown, WIS

Lowe's Senior CLASS Award
 Senior with notable achievements
 in classroom, character,
 community and competition
FINALISTS
 Austin Starr, IND
 James Laurinaitis, OSU
 Travis Beckum, WIS

Wuerffel Trophy
 Player that Best Combines
 Community Service with
 Academic and Athletic
 Achievement
FINALIST
 Austin Starr, IND

ASSOCIATED PRESS -- NOV. 23

Team (1st Place)	Rec.	PTS	Prev.
1. Alabama (63)	11-0	1622	1
2. Florida (2)	10-1	1512	3
3. Oklahoma	10-1	1486	5
4. Texas	10-1	1482	4
5. USC	9-1	1352	6
6. Penn State	11-1	1238	7
7. Texas Tech	10-1	1212	2
8. Utah	12-0	1206	8
9. Boise State	11-0	1064	9
10. Ohio State	10-2	1043	10
11. Oklahoma State	9-2	997	11
12. Missouri	9-2	917	12
13. Georgia	9-2	874	13
14. TCU	10-2	750	15
15. Ball State	11-0	731	14
16. Cincinnati	9-2	640	19
17. Oregon State	8-3	604	21
18. Georgia Tech	8-3	339	NR
19. Oregon	8-3	320	24
20. Boston College	8-3	309	NR
20. Brigham Young	10-2	309	16
22. Michigan State	9-3	274	17
23. Florida State	8-3	214	NR
24. Northwestern	9-3	145	NR
25. Mississippi	7-4	127	NR

Others Receiving Votes: West Virginia 120, Pittsburgh 108, Iowa 54, LSU 35, California 11, Tulsa 8, Western Michigan 8, South Carolina 5, Central Michigan 5, Connecticut 2, Nebraska 1, Rice 1.

USA TODAY -- NOV. 23

Team (1st Place)	Rec.	PTS	Prev.
1. Alabama (56)	11-0	1518	1
2. Oklahoma (4)	10-1	1412	5
3. Florida (1)	10-1	1401	3
4. Texas	10-1	1370	4
5. USC	9-1	1288	6
6. Penn State	11-1	1157	8
7. Utah	12-0	1153	7
8. Texas Tech	10-1	1073	2
9. Boise State	11-0	1033	9
10. Ohio State	10-2	994	10
11. Missouri	9-2	896	11
12. Oklahoma State	9-2	858	12
13. Georgia	9-2	842	13
14. TCU	10-2	695	17
15. Ball State	11-0	673	16
16. Cincinnati	9-2	572	20
17. Oregon State	8-3	544	21
18. Oregon	8-3	397	22
19. Brigham Young	10-2	321	14
20. Northwestern	9-3	310	24
21. Michigan State	9-3	296	15
22. Boston College	8-3	290	25
23. Georgia Tech	8-3	241	NR
24. Florida State	8-3	204	NR
25. West Virginia	7-3	83	NR

Others Receiving Votes: Pittsburgh 43, Mississippi 40, LSU 30, Iowa 26, Western Michigan 20, Connecticut 15, Maryland 9, Tulsa 6, South Florida 3, Nebraska 3, South Carolina 2, Miami (FL) 2, California 2, Virginia Tech 2, Wake Forest 1.

HARRIS INTERACTIVE -- NOV. 23

Team (1st Place)	Rec.	PTS	Prev.
1. Alabama (108)	11-0	2,839	1
2. Florida (3)	10-1	2,644	3
3. Oklahoma (2)	10-1	2,598	5
4. Texas	10-1	2,577	4
5. USC	9-1	2,387	6
6. Penn State	11-1	2,187	7
7. Texas Tech	10-1	2,118	2
8. Utah (1)	12-0	2,113	8
9. Boise State	11-0	1,901	9
10. Ohio State	10-2	1,827	10
11. Missouri	9-2	1,622	11
12. Oklahoma State	9-2	1,621	13
13. Georgia	9-2	1,607	12
14. Ball State	11-0	1,346	15
15. TCU	10-2	1,268	17
16. Cincinnati	9-2	1,101	20
17. Oregon State	8-3	976	21
18. BYU	10-2	761	14
19. Oregon	8-3	584	22
20. Boston College	8-3	537	25
21. Michigan State	9-3	517	16
22. Georgia Tech	8-3	415	NR
23. Florida State	8-3	401	NR
24. Northwestern	9-3	330	NR
25. Pittsburgh	7-3	130	19

Others Receiving Votes: West Virginia 116; Mississippi 101; LSU 97; Tulsa 82; Iowa 71; Western Michigan 54; California 45; Virginia Tech 14; Central Michigan 13; Connecticut 13; Miami (FL) 11; North Carolina 9; South Carolina 6; Maryland 5; Troy 3; Fresno State 1; North Carolina State 1; Rice 1.

BOWL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES RANKINGS - NOV. 23

Rank	Team	BCS Avg.	Prev. Rank	Harris Rank	% of Votes	USA Today Rank	% of Votes	Computer Rank	% of Points
1.	Alabama (11-0)	.9872	1	1	.9961	1	.9954	1	.970
2.	Texas (10-1)	.9209	3	4	.9042	4	.8984	2	.960
3.	Oklahoma (10-1)	.9125	5	3	.9116	2	.9259	3	.900
4.	Florida (10-1)	.8755	4	2	.9277	3	.9187	6	.780
5.	USC (9-1)	.7974	6	5	.8375	5	.8446	8	.710
6.	Utah (12-0)	.7858	7	8	.7414	7	.7561	5	.860
7.	Texas Tech (10-1)	.7789	2	7	.7432	8	.7036	4	.890
8.	Penn State (11-1)	.7520	8	6	.7674	6	.7587	7	.730
9.	Boise State (11-0)	.6581	9	9	.6670	9	.6774	10	.630
10.	Ohio State (10-2)	.6210	10	10	.6411	10	.6518	12	.570
11.	Georgia (9-2)	.6020	11	13	.5639	13	.5521	9	.690
12.	Oklahoma State (9-2)	.5705	12	12	.5688	12	.5626	11	.580
13.	Missouri (9-2)	.5589	13	11	.5691	11	.5875	13	.520
14.	Texas Christian (10-2)	.4702	16	15	.4449	14	.4557	14	.510
15.	Ball State (11-0)	.4379	17	14	.4723	15	.4413	16	.400
16.	Cincinnati (9-2)	.3971	19	16	.3863	16	.3751	15	.430
17.	Oregon State (8-3)	.3131	21	17	.3425	17	.3567	T-20	.240
18.	Brigham Young (10-2)	.2625	14	18	.2670	19	.2105	17	.310
19.	Michigan State (9-3)	.2118	15	21	.1814	21	.1941	19	.260
20.	Florida State (8-3)	.1882	NR	23	.1407	24	.1338	18	.290
21.	Boston College (8-3)	.1862	NR	20	.1884	22	.1902	22	.180
22.	Georgia Tech (8-3)	.1812	NR	22	.1456	23	.1580	T-20	.240
23.	Oregon (8-3)	.1551	24	19	.2049	18	.2603	NR	.000
24.	Northwestern (9-3)	.1130	NR	24	.1158	20	.2033	T-25	.020
25.	Pittsburgh (7-3)	.0413	20	25	.0456	26	.0282	23	.050

BIG TEN COACHES TOP WINNING RECORDS -- ALL-TIME

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

Coach, Team	Yrs	Seasons	Record	PCT
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	13	1995-2007	122-40-0	.753
Bernie Bierman, MINN	16	1932-41, 1945-50	93-35-6	.716
John Cooper, OSU	13	1988-2000	111-43-4	.715
Joe Paterno, PSU	16th	1993-	136-59-0	.697
John Wilce, OSU	16	1913-28	78-33-9	.688
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
Barry Alvarez, WIS	16	1990-2005	118-73-4	.615
Hayden Fry, IOWA	20	1979-98	143-89-6	.613
Robert Zuppke, ILL	29	1913-41	131-81-13	.611
Duffy Daugherty, MSU	19	1954-72	109-69-5	.609
Joe Tiller, PUR	12	1997-2008	87-62-0	.584
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 Eliot, ILL	18	1942-59	83-73-11	.530
Glen Mason, MINN	10	1997-2006	64-57-0	.529
Murray Warmath, MINN	18	1954-71	86-78-7	.528
Pappy Waldorf, NU	12	1935-46	49-45-7	.520

Current Coaches Nearing 10 Full Seasons:

Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	10th	1999-	69-53	.566
Jim Tressel, OSU	8th	2001-	83-18	.822

BIG TEN COACHING RECORDS

Coach, School	Career (Yrs)	At School (Yrs)	Big Ten Only
Ron Zook, ILL	41-44 (7th)	18-30 (4th)	10-22
Bill Lynch, IND	91-82-3 (16th)	10-15 (2nd)	4-12
Kirk Ferentz, IOWA	81-74 (13th)	69-53 (10th)	43-37
Rich Rodriguez, MICH	108-71-2 (16th)	3-9 (1st)	2-6
Mark Dantonio, MSU	34-26 (5th)	16-9 (2nd)	9-7
Tim Brewster, MINN	8-16 (2nd)	8-16 (2nd)	3-13
Pat Fitzgerald, NU	19-17 (3rd)	19-17 (3rd)	10-14
Jim Tressel, OSU	218-75-2 (23rd)	83-18 (8th)	52-12
Joe Paterno, PSU	383-126-3 (43rd)	383-126-3 (43rd)	80-48
Joe Tiller, PUR	126-92-1 (18th)	87-62 (12th)	53-43
Bret Bielema, WIS	28-10 (3rd)	28-10 (3rd)	15-9

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

	ILL	IND	IOWA	MICH	MSU	MINN	NU	OSU	PSU	PUR	WIS
Preseason	20/19	-/-	-/-	rv/24	rv/rv	-/-	-/-	2/3	22/22	-/-	13/12
Sept. 1	24/25	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/-	3/3	19/19	-/-	11/11
Sept. 7	24/rv	-/-	-/rv	-/-	-/-	-/-	-/rv	5/5	17/17	-/-	10/10
Sept. 14	22/23	-/-	rv/rv	-/-	-/rv	rv/-	rv/rv	13/14	16/15	-/-	8/8
Sept. 21	22/21	-/-	-/-	-/-	rv/rv	rv/rv	rv/rv	14/13	12/12	-/rv	9/8
Sept. 28	rv/rv/rv	-/-	-/-	-/rv	rv/rv/rv	-/-	rv/rv/rv	14/12/14	6/6/6	-/-	18/17/16
Oct. 5	rv/rv/rv	-/-	-/-	-/-	23/19/21	-/rv/rv	rv/22/23	12/11/12	6/6/6	-/-	rv/24/24
Oct. 12	-/rv	-/-	-/-	-/-	20/17/18	rv/rv/rv	rv/rv/rv	12/11/13	3/3/3	-/-	-/rv
Oct. 19	-/rv/rv	-/-	-/-	-/-	rv/rv/rv	25/25/25	rv/24/rv	10/10/10	3/3/3	-/-	-/-
Oct. 26	-/-	-/-	-/rv	-/-	22/21/21	20/20/20	rv/rv/rv	13/13/12	3/3/3	-/-	-/rv
Nov. 2	-/rv	-/-	-/-	-/-	18/17/18	rv/rv/rv	rv/25/rv	12/12/11	3/2/2	-/-	-/-
Nov. 9	-/-	-/-	rv/rv/rv	-/-	18/15/16	-/rv/rv	rv/rv/rv	10/10/10	7/8/7	-/-	-/-
Nov. 16	-/-	-/-	rv/rv/rv	-/-	17/15/16	-/rv	rv/24/rv	10/10/10	7/8/7	-/-	-/-
Nov. 23	-/-	-/-	rv/rv/rv	-/-	22/21/21	-/-	24/20/24	10/10/10	6/6/6	-/-	-/-
Nov. 30											
Dec. 7											
FINAL											

rv - Receiving Votes

NOTE: Harris Poll first released on Sept. 28

2008 NON-CONFERENCE OPPONENTS

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

ACC (1)	1-0
Duke (1)	1-0
Big 12 (2)	1-1
Iowa State (1)	1-0
Missouri (1)	0-1
Big East (3)	2-1
Pittsburgh (1)	0-1
Syracuse (2)	2-0
Big Sky (2)	2-0
Northern Colorado (1)	1-0
Montana State (1)	1-0
Big South (1)	1-0
Coastal Carolina (1)	1-0
Big West (1)	1-0
Cal-Poly (1)	1-0
Colonial Athletic Assoc. (1)	1-0
Maine (1)	1-0
Conference USA (1)	1-0
Marshall (1)	1-0
Mid-American (13)	9-4
Akron (1)	1-0
Ball State (1)	0-1
Bowling Green (1)	1-0
Central Michigan (2)	1-1
Eastern Michigan (1)	1-0
Miami (Ohio) (1)	1-0
Northern Illinois (1)	1-0
Ohio (2)	2-0
Temple (1)	1-0
Toledo (1)	0-1
Western Michigan (1)	0-1
Missouri Valley (2)	2-0
Southern Illinois (1)	1-0
Youngstown State (1)	1-0
Mountain West (1)	0-1
Utah (1)	0-1
Ohio Valley (2)	2-0
Eastern Illinois (1)	1-0
Murray State (1)	1-0
Pac-10 (4)	1-3
California (1)	0-1
Oregon (1)	0-1
Oregon State (1)	1-0
Southern California (1)	0-1
Sun Belt (5)	5-0
Florida Atlantic (2)	2-0
Florida International (1)	1-0
Louisiana-Lafayette (1)	1-0
Troy (1)	1-0
WAC (1)	1-0
Fresno State (1)	1-0
Independent (4)	2-2
Notre Dame (3)	1-2
Western Kentucky (1)	1-0
Total (44)	32-12
	.727

2008 WEEK-BY-WEEK ATTENDANCE

Date	Games	OVERALL			CONFERENCE			
		Total	Average	SO	Games	Total	Average	SO
Aug. 30	8	565,615	70,702	4	--	--	--	--
Sept. 6	9	684,385	76,043#	4	--	--	--	--
Sept. 13	6	317,195	52,866	1	--	--	--	--
Sept. 20	7	445,983	63,712	2	--	--	--	--
Sept. 27	5	427,051	85,410	4	5	427,051	85,410	4
Oct. 4	5	366,610	73,322	3	5	366,610	73,322	3
Oct. 11	6	422,994	70,499	4	5	315,727	63,145	3
Oct. 18	5	347,995	69,599	4	5	347,995	69,599	4
Oct. 25	5	382,011	76,402	3	5	382,011	76,402	3
Nov. 1	5	277,388	55,478	2	4	251,248	62,812	2
Nov. 8	5	278,895	55,779	3	5	278,895	55,779	3
Nov. 15	5	428,075	85,615	4	5	428,075	85,615	4
Nov. 22	6	455,462	75,910	4	5	374,753	74,951	3
Totals:	77	5,399,659	70,125	42	44	3,172,365	72,099	29

Single-day attendance record for nine games

2008 PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

<u>9/1</u>	<u>9/22</u>	<u>10/13</u>	<u>11/10</u>
O QB Juice Williams, ILL	O RB Javon Ringer, MSU	O QB Daryll Clark, PSU	O RB Chris "Beanie" Wells, OSU
QB Kellen Lewis, IND	D DE Vince Browne, NU-FR	D DE Willie VanDeSteege, MINN	WR David Gilreath, WIS
D LB Obi Ezech, MICH	LB Navorro Bowman, PSU	DE Aaron Maybin, PSU	D S Tyler Sash, IOWA-FR
S P Stefan Demos, NU	S K Amado Villarreal, NU	S K Brett Swenson, MSU	S K K.C. Lopata, MICH
<u>9/8</u>	<u>9/29</u>	<u>10/20</u>	<u>11/17</u>
O RB Javon Ringer, MSU	O QB C.J. Bachér, NU	O RB Shonn Greene, IOWA	O RB Shonn Greene, IOWA
QB Adam Weber, MINN	D DE Brandon Graham, MICH	D LB Pat Angerer, IOWA	D DT Mike Newkirk, WIS
RB Evan Royster, PSU	S KR Derrick Williams, PSU	S K Kevin Kelly, PSU	S DB Malcolm Jenkins, OSU
D DE Karl Klug, IOWA			
S FB Frank Halliburton, PUR			
<u>9/15</u>	<u>10/6</u>	<u>10/27</u>	<u>11/24</u>
O RB Javon Ringer, MSU	O QB Juice Williams, ILL	O QB Brian Hoyer, MSU	O QB Daryll Clark, PSU
D LB DeAndre Levy, WIS	D LB Brit Miller, ILL	D S Mark Rubin, PSU	QB Curtis Painter, PUR
S PR Andy Brodell, IOWA	S K Brett Swenson, MSU	S P Brad Nortman, WIS-FR	D DE Kevin Mims, NU
	K Joel Monroe, MINN		S P Ryan Donahue, IOWA
		<u>11/3</u>	
		O QB Mike Kafka, NU	
		QB Justin Siller, PUR	
		D S Brendan Smith, NU	
		S K Brett Swenson, MSU	

ALL-TIME BIG TEN 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
33	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-06-07-08c
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
3	Penn State	1994-05c-08c
2	Indiana	1945-67c

c - co-championship

CURRENT PLAYERS AMONG BIG TEN CAREER LEADERS

Total Offensive Plays

1,975	Basanez, NU	2002-05
1,931	Brees, PUR	1997-00
1,917	Randle EI, IND	1998-01
1,873	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Total Offensive Yards

12,692	Brees, PUR	1997-00
11,576	Basanez, NU	2002-05
11,511	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Passing Attempts

1,678	Brees, PUR	1997-00
1,648	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Passing Completions

1,026	Brees, PUR	1997-00
987	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Passing Yards

11,792	Brees, PUR	1997-00
11,163	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Passing Touchdowns

90	Brees, PUR	1997-00
87	Henne, MICH	2004-07
74	Long, IOWA	1981-85
72	Navarre, MICH	2000-03
71	Herrmann, PUR	1977-80
	Grbac, MICH	1989-92
70	Kittner, ILL	1998-01
67	Painter, PUR	2005-08

Rushing Yards

7,125	Dayne, WIS	1996-99
5,589	Griffin, OSU	1972-75
5,299	Thompson, IND	1986-89
5,040	Hart, MICH	2004-07
4,887	White, MSU	1984-87
4,676	Davis, WIS	2001-04
4,654	Thompson, MINN	1986-89
4,485	Anderson, NU	1998-01
4,472	Thomas, MICH	1997-00
4,393	Morris, MICH	1984-87
4,352	Ringer, MSU	2005-

Rushing Yards by a Quarterback

3,895	Randle EI, IND	1998-01
2,150	Foggie, MINN	1984-87
2,066	Greene, OSU	1972-75
2,050	Williams, ILL	2006-
1,767	Bollinger, WIS	1999-02
1,714	Kern, OSU	1968-70
1,710	Podolak, IOWA	1966-68
1,677	Lewis, IND	2006-

Rushing Touchdowns

71	Dayne, WIS	1996-99
68	Thompson, IND	1986-89
56	Johnson, OSU	1973-76
55	Thomas, MICH	1997-00
48	Sheets, PUR	2005-08
47	Wheatley, MICH	1991-94
46	Byars, OSU	1982-85
44	Marek, WIS	1972-75
	George, OSU	1992-95
43	White, MSU	1984-87
42	Hill, WIS	2006-

Scoring - Touchdowns

71	Dayne, WIS	1996-99
68	Thompson, IND	1986-89
58	Johnson, OSU	1973-76
56	Thomas, MICH	1997-00
54	Wheatley, MICH	1991-94
	Sheets, PUR	2005-08
50	Byars, OSU	1982-85
46	Marek, WIS	1972-75
45	George, OSU	1992-95
43	White, MSU	1984-87
	Thompson, MINN	1986-89
	Hart, MICH	2004-07
42	Hill, WIS	2006-

Scoring -- Total Points

426	Dayne, WIS	1996-99
419	Kelly, PSU	2005-

Scoring -- Kicking Points

411	Kelly, PSU	2005-
367	Nystrom, MINN	1999-02
	Kaeding, IOWA	2000-03

Field Goals

77	Kelly, PSU	2005-
72	Nugent, OSU	2001-04

Kicking Extra Points

180	Kelly, PSU	2005-
177	Spangler, OSU	1982-85

Receptions

325	Stubblefield, PUR	2001-04
292	Bryant, PUR	2004-07
266	Standeford, PUR	2000-03
262	Williams, ILL	1983-85
252	Edwards, MICH	2001-04
210	Bates, NU	1995-98
204	Stratton, PUR	1998-01
203	Orton, PUR	2005-08

Kickoff Returns

106	Mason, MSU	1993-96
	Williams, WIS	2002-05
93	Anderson, MINN	1983-86
	Graham, IND	1998-00
88	Bryant, PUR	2004-07
81	Carter, IND	1999-02
	Breaston, MICH	2003-06
	Thigpen, IND	2005-08
	Gilreath, WIS	2007-

Kickoff Return Yards

2,575	Mason, MSU	1993-96
2,349	Williams, WIS	2002-05
2,125	Bryant, PUR	2004-07
2,088	Graham, IND	1998-00
2,009	Thigpen, IND	2005-08
1,996	Anderson, MINN	1983-86
1,993	Breaston, MICH	2003-06
1,778	Davis, WIS	1998-01
1,770	Haygood, MSU	1998-01
1,762	Douthitt, IOWA	1972-74
1,734	Gilreath, WIS	2007-

Kickoff Return Touchdowns

5	Brown, PUR	1968-70
4	Cobb, MSU	2003-04
3	Mason, MSU	1993-96
	Thigpen, IND	2005-08
	Dorien Bryant, PUR	2004-07
2	15 players, most recently Williams, PSU	2005-

CURRENT PLAYERS AMONG BIG TEN SINGLE-SEASON LEADERS

Total Offense - Yards

4,189	Brees, PUR	2000
4,176	Brees, PUR	1998
4,092	Painter, PUR	2006
4,086	Brees, PUR	1999
4,045	Basanez, NU	2005
3,892	Williams, ILL	2008

All-Purpose Plays

425	White, MSU	1985
417	Autry, NU	1995
411	Thompson, IND	1989
406	Ringer, MSU	2008

All-Purpose Yards

2,655	Johnson, PSU	2002
2,590	Thomas, MSU	2007
2,441	Byars, OSU	1984
2,388	Thompson, IND	1989
2,344	George, OSU	1995
2,330	Dunbar, IND	1991
2,242	Dayne, WIS	1996
2,207	Calhoun, WIS	2005
2,201	Williams, IND	2001
2,195	Anderson, NU	2000
1,974	Ringer, MSU	2008

Rushing Attempts

419	White, MSU	1985
387	Autry, NU	1995
370	Ringer, MSU	2008

Rushing Yards

2,109	Dayne, WIS	1996
2,087	Johnson, PSU	2002
2,066	White, MSU	1985
2,063	Anderson, NU	2000
2,034	Dayne, WIS	1999
1,927	George, OSU	1995
1,818	Biakabutuka, MICH	1995
1,805	Dunbar, IND	1991
1,793	Thompson, IND	1989
1,785	Autry, NU	1995
1,729	Greene, IOWA	2008
1,590	Ringer, MSU	2008

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
	Calhoun, WIS	2005
21	Dayne, WIS	1996
	Caulcrick, MSU	2007
	Ringer, MSU	2008

Scoring -- All Points

156	Johnson, OSU	1975
	Thompson, IND	1988
	Carter, PSU	1994
154	Thompson, IND	1989
152	George, OSU	1995
144	Byars, OSU	1984
	Calhoun, WIS	2005
140	Johnson, PSU	2002
138	Howard, MICH	1991
	Anderson, NU	2000
126	Ringer, MSU	2008

Scoring -- Touchdowns

26	Johnson, OSU	1975
	Thompson, IND	1988
	Carter, PSU	1994
25	Thompson, IND	1989
	George, OSU	1995
24	Byars, OSU	1984
	Calhoun, WIS	2005
23	Howard, MICH	1991
	Anderson, NU	2000
	Johnson, PSU	2002
21	Ringer, MSU	2008

Scoring - Kicking Points

120	Kaeding, IOWA	2002
	Nugent, OSU	2002
114	Kelly, PSU	2008
111	Jones, PUR	2003
	Starr, IND	2007
110	Huston, OSU	2005
	Summers, PUR	2007
109	Nystrom, MINN	2000
107	Forney, PSU	1999
105	Houghtlin, IOWA	1985
	Rayner, MSU	2003
	Rayner, MSU	2004
	Mehlhaif, WIS	2007
94	Swenson, MSU	2008

Field Goals

25	Hamilton, MICH	1994
	Nystrom, MINN	2000
	Nugent, OSU	2002
	Jones, PUR	2003
24	Bass, ILL	1982
	White, ILL	1984
	Nugent, OSU	2004
22	On 7 occasions, most recently: Kelly, PSU	2006
20	Swenson, MSU	2008
19	Kelly, PSU	2008
	Villarreal, NU	2008

Kickoff Returns

43	Douthitt, IOWA	1973
42	Gilreath, WIS	2007
40	Gilreath, WIS	2008
39	Thomas, MSU	2007
38	Pooler, NU	1974
	Wright, NU	1990
	Graham, IND	2000
	Thigpen, IND	2008
36	Mason, MSU	1994
	Carter, IND	2002
	Cobb, MSU	2004
	Bryant, PUR	2007
	Stoudermire, MINN	2008

Kickoff Return Yards

1,135	Thomas, MSU	2007
1,007	Bryant, PUR	2007
994	Douthitt, IOWA	1973
967	Gilreath, WIS	2007
966	Mason, MSU	1994
947	Mason, MSU	1995
909	Stoudermire, MINN	2008
897	Graham, IND	2000
869	Cobb, MSU	2004
853	Thigpen, IND	2008
784	Gilreath, WIS	2008

ILLINOIS
5-7 Overall, 3-5 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	L, 42-52	vs. No. 6/7 Missouri [1]	66,441
9/6	W, 47-21	Eastern Illinois	60,131
9/13	W, 20-17	Louisiana-Lafayette	58,632
9/27	L, 24-38	at No. 12/12 Penn State	109,626
10/4	W, 45-20	at Michigan	109,750
10/11	L, 20-27	Minnesota	62,870
10/18	W, 55-13	Indiana	62,870
10/25	L, 17-27	at Wisconsin	81,241
11/1	W, 27-24	Iowa	62,870
11/8	L, 17-23	vs. Western Michigan [2]	12,865
11/15	L, 20-30	No. 10/10/10 Ohio State	62,870
11/22	L, 10-27	at No. -/24/- Northwestern	32,166

[1] at St. Louis [2] at Detroit

MICHIGAN STATE
9-3 Overall, 6-2 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	L, 31-38	at California	62,956
9/6	W, 42-10	Eastern Michigan	71,789
9/13	W, 17-0	Florida Atlantic	70,321
9/20	W, 23-7	Notre Dame	76,366
9/27	W, 42-29	at Indiana	31,832
10/4	W, 16-13	Iowa	77,526
10/11	W, 37-20	at No. -/22/23 Northwestern	32,527
10/18	L, 7-45	No. 12/11/13 Ohio State	77,360
10/25	W, 35-21	at Michigan	110,146
11/1	W, 25-24	Wisconsin	75,121
11/8	W, 21-7	Purdue	75,522
11/22	L, 18-49	at No. 7/8/7 Penn State	109,845

PENN STATE
11-1 Overall, 7-1 Big Ten
BIG TEN CO-CHAMPIONS



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 66-10	Coastal Carolina	106,577
9/6	W, 45-14	Oregon State	108,159
9/13	W, 55-13	at Syracuse	45,795
9/20	W, 45-3	Temple	105,106
9/27	W, 38-24	No. 22/21 Illinois	109,626
10/4	W, 20-6	at Purdue	57,215
10/11	W, 48-7	at No. -/24/24 Wisconsin	81,524
10/18	W, 46-17	Michigan	110,017
10/25	W, 13-6	at No. 10/10/10 Ohio State	105,711
11/8	L, 23-24	at Iowa	70,585
11/15	W, 34-7	Indiana	108,445
11/22	W, 49-18	No. 17/15/16 Michigan St.	109,845

INDIANA
3-9 Overall, 1-7 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 31-13	Western Kentucky	30,067
9/6	W, 45-3	Murray State	30,123
9/20	L, 20-42	Ball State	41,349
9/27	L, 29-42	Michigan State	31,832
10/4	L, 7-16	at Minnesota	40,511
10/11	L, 9-45	Iowa	33,428
10/18	L, 13-55	at Illinois	62,870
10/25	W, 21-19	No. -/24/- Northwestern	30,698
11/1	L, 34-37	Central Michigan	26,140
11/8	L, 20-55	Wisconsin	30,618
11/15	L, 7-34	at No. 7/8/7 Penn State	108,445
11/22	L, 10-62	at Purdue	63,107

MINNESOTA
7-5 Overall, 3-5 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 31-27	Northern Illinois	44,029
9/6	W, 42-17	at Bowling Green	23,184
9/13	W, 35-23	Montana State	43,929
9/20	W, 37-3	Florida Atlantic	41,003
9/27	L, 21-34	at No. 14/13 Ohio State	105,175
10/4	W, 16-7	Indiana	40,511
10/11	W, 27-20	at Illinois	62,870
10/25	W, 17-6	at Purdue	54,215
11/1	L, 17-24	Northwestern	54,122
11/8	L, 6-29	Michigan	55,040
11/15	L, 32-35	at Wisconsin	81,228
11/22	L, 0-55	Iowa	64,071

PURDUE
4-8 Overall, 2-6 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
9/6	W, 42-10	Northern Colorado	51,476
9/13	L, 26-32	No. 16/14 Oregon (2OT)	54,666
9/20	W, 32-25	Central Michigan	57,101
9/27	L, 21-38	at Notre Dame	80,795
10/4	L, 6-20	No. 6/6/6 Penn State	57,215
10/11	L, 3-16	at No. 12/11/12 Ohio State	105,378
10/18	L, 26-48	at Northwestern	27,163
10/25	L, 6-17	No. 25/25/25 Minnesota	54,215
11/1	W, 48-42	Michigan	59,135
11/8	L, 7-21	at No. 18/17/18 Michigan St.	75,522
11/15	L, 17-22	at Iowa	67,676
11/22	W, 62-10	Indiana	63,107

IOWA
8-4 Overall, 5-3 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 46-3	Maine	70,585
9/6	W, 42-0	Florida International	70,585
9/13	W, 17-5	Iowa State	70,585
9/20	L, 20-21	at Pittsburgh	50,321
9/27	L, 17-22	Northwestern	70,585
10/4	L, 13-16	at Michigan State	77,526
10/11	W, 45-9	at Indiana	33,428
10/18	W, 38-16	Wisconsin	70,585
11/1	L, 24-27	at Illinois	62,870
11/8	W, 24-23	No. 3/2/2 Penn State	70,585
11/15	W, 22-17	Purdue	67,676
11/22	W, 55-0	at Minnesota	64,071

NORTHWESTERN
9-3 Overall, 5-3 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 30-10	Syracuse	20,015
9/6	W, 24-20	at Duke	23,614
9/13	W, 33-7	Southern Illinois	19,062
9/20	W, 16-8	Ohio	22,069
9/27	W, 22-17	at Iowa	70,585
10/11	L, 20-37	No. 23/19/21 Michigan St.	32,527
10/18	W, 48-26	Purdue	27,163
10/25	L, 19-21	at Indiana	30,698
11/1	W, 24-17	at No. 20/20/20 Minnesota	54,122
11/8	L, 10-45	No. 12/12/11 Ohio State	47,130
11/15	W, 21-14	at Michigan	107,856
11/22	W, 27-10	Illinois	32,166

WISCONSIN
7-5 Overall, 3-5 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 38-17	Akron	80,910
9/6	W, 51-14	Marshall	80,396
9/13	W, 13-10	at No. 21/21 Fresno State	42,387
9/27	L, 25-27	at Michigan	109,833
10/4	L, 17-20	No. 14/12/14 Ohio State	81,608
10/11	L, 7-48	No. 6/6/6 Penn State	81,524
10/18	L, 16-38	at Iowa	70,585
10/25	W, 27-17	Illinois	81,241
11/1	L, 24-25	at No. 22/21/21 Michigan St.	75,121
11/8	W, 55-20	at Indiana	30,618
11/15	W, 35-32	Minnesota	81,228
11/22	W, 36-35	Cal-Poly (OT)	80,709

MICHIGAN
3-9 Overall, 2-6 Big Ten



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	L, 23-25	Utah	108,421
9/6	W, 16-6	Miami (Ohio)	106,724
9/13	L, 17-35	at Notre Dame	80,795
9/27	W, 27-25	No. 9/8 Wisconsin	109,833
10/4	L, 20-45	Illinois	109,750
10/11	L, 10-13	Toledo	107,267
10/18	L, 17-46	at No. 3/3/3 Penn State	110,017
10/25	L, 21-35	Michigan State	110,146
11/1	L, 42-48	at Purdue	59,135
11/8	W, 29-6	at Minnesota	55,040
11/15	L, 14-21	Northwestern	107,856
11/22	L, 7-42	at No. 10/10/10 Ohio State	105,564

OHIO STATE
10-2 Overall, 7-1 Big Ten
BIG TEN CO-CHAMPIONS



Date	Score	Opponent	Attendance
8/30	W, 43-0	Youngstown State	105,011
9/6	W, 26-14	Ohio	105,002
9/13	L, 3-35	at No. 1/1 USC	93,607
9/20	W, 28-10	Troy	102,989
9/27	W, 34-21	Minnesota	105,175
10/4	W, 20-17	at No. 18/17/16 Wisconsin	81,608
10/11	W, 16-3	Purdue	105,378
10/18	W, 45-7	at No. 20/17/18 Michigan St.	77,360
10/25	L, 6-13	No. 3/3/3 Penn State	105,711
11/8	W, 45-10	at No. -/25/- Northwestern	47,130
11/15	W, 30-20	at Illinois	62,870
11/22	W, 42-7	Michigan	105,564

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