

2005 Standings

	Conference Games				All Games				
	W	L	PCT	Streak	W	L	T	PCT	Streak
Northwestern	12	0	1.000	W12	30	9	0	.769	W12
Michigan	11	1	.917	W11	44	3	0	.936	W9
Iowa	8	4	.667	W6	37	9	0	.804	W7
Michigan State	6	6	.500	L2	16	24	1	.402	L2
Penn State	5	5	.500	L2	27	16	0	.628	L2
Purdue	5	5	.500	L4	28	17	0	.622	L4
Ohio State	4	6	.400	L1	20	14	0	.588	L1
Minnesota	3	7	.300	W2	22	20	0	.524	W4
Wisconsin	3	7	.300	L7	13	19	0	.406	L2
Indiana	2	8	.200	L6	12	31	0	.279	L6
Illinois	1	11	.083	W1	19	23	0	.452	W1

Last Week's Results

April

- 12 **Michigan State** def. W. Michigan, 7-2
- 13 DePaul def. **Illinois**, 5-1
Illinois def. DePaul, 7-6
Iowa def. William Penn, 6-0
C. Michigan def. **Michigan State**, 3-1
Penn State def. Pittsburgh, 7-1
Penn State def. Pittsburgh, 10-1 (5)
Wisconsin def. Valparaiso, 9-0 (5)
- 14 **Minnesota** def. North Dakota St., 3-2
Minnesota def. North Dakota St., 2-1
- 15 **Penn State** def. **Illinois**, 4-1
Michigan def. **Purdue**, 3-0
Iowa def. **Ohio State**, 4-1
Northwestern def. **Indiana**, 10-0 (5)
Michigan State def. **Wisconsin**, 4-2
- 16 **Penn State** def. **Illinois**, 3-2
Michigan def. **Purdue**, 6-2
Iowa def. **Ohio State**, 6-2
Northwestern def. **Indiana**, 4-2
Michigan State def. **Wisconsin**, 6-0
- 17 **Ohio State** def. **Illinois**, 5-3
Illinois def. **Ohio State**, 8-7
Michigan def. **Indiana**, 9-0 (5)
Michigan def. **Indiana**, 10-2 (6)
Iowa def. **Penn State**, 5-1
Iowa def. **Penn State**, 3-1
Minnesota def. **Michigan State**, 8-0 (6)
Minnesota def. **Michigan State**, 9-2
Northwestern def. **Purdue**, 9-0 (5)
Northwestern def. **Purdue**, 7-0

Player of the Week

Megan Higginbotham, Minnesota

So., C, Tallahassee, Fla./Lawton Chiles

Higginbotham claims Big Ten weekly honors after batting .857 (12-for-14) with two home runs, three doubles and eight RBI to lead Minnesota to a 4-0 record last week. In a two-game sweep of North Dakota State, she went 4-for-5 with a home run and three RBI. Higginbotham followed with another solid performance against Michigan State posting two doubles and an RBI in game one of the doubleheader for a 1.000 batting average (4-for-4). She then finished the weekend belting her second home run of the week, while adding a career-high four RBI in a 9-2 victory over the Spartans.

Pitcher of the Week

Jennie Ritter, Michigan

Jr., P, Dexter, Mich./Dexter

Ritter earned the win in all four of Michigan's contests last week, including her fourth no-hitter of the season with a five-inning perfect game in a 9-0 victory over Indiana. Against the Hoosiers, she struck out nine of the 15 batters she faced and did not allow the ball to leave the infield. Ritter then came out of the bullpen in the nightcap to toss 3.1 innings of hitless relief, fanning eight batters and walking just one. Her other start of the week consisted of 6.0 innings of shutout ball while striking out six for a 3-0 victory over Purdue. With a total of 218 K's this year, Ritter becomes only the second Wolverine to reach at least 200 strikeouts in back-to-back seasons, while also tying Michigan's single-season record with four no-hitters.

This Week's Schedule

- April**
- 18 North Dakota State at **Wisconsin** (DH) 3 p.m.
- 19 Iowa State at **Iowa** 4 p.m.
Eastern Michigan at **Michigan** (DH) 4 p.m.
Michigan State at Oakland (DH) 3:30 p.m.
Bradley at **Northwestern** (DH) 3 p.m.
Ohio State at Wright State (DH) 3 p.m.
Purdue at Valparaiso (DH) 3 p.m.
Loyola-Chicago at **Wisconsin** (DH) 3 p.m.
- 20 **Indiana** at Missouri (DH) 4 p.m.
Illinois-Chicago at **Northwestern** 6:30 p.m.
- 21 Bradley at **Illinois** (DH) 4 p.m.
- 22 **Penn State** at **Michigan** 6 p.m.
Iowa at **Michigan State** 4 p.m.
Minnesota at **Indiana** 4 p.m.
Ohio State at **Northwestern** 3 p.m.
Wisconsin at **Purdue** 3 p.m.
- 23 **Penn State** at **Michigan** Noon
Iowa at **Michigan State** Noon
Minnesota at **Indiana** Noon
Ohio State at **Northwestern** Noon
Wisconsin at **Purdue** Noon
- 24 **Illinois** at **Michigan State** (DH) Noon
Ohio State at **Michigan** (DH) 1 p.m.
Wisconsin at **Indiana** (DH) Noon
Minnesota at **Purdue** (DH) 11 a.m.
Penn State at **Northwestern** (DH) 10:30 a.m.

2005 Players of the Week

- Feb. 8 Stephanie Churchwell, Northwestern
Feb. 15 Andrea Hillsey, Purdue
Feb. 22 Jamee Juarez, Ohio State
LaQueta Johnson, Purdue
March 1 Anastasia Miller, Wisconsin
March 8 Emily Nichols, Iowa
March 14 Andrea Hillsey, Purdue
March 21 Jamee Juarez, Ohio State
March 28 Jessica Merchant, Michigan
April 4 Nicole Motycka, Michigan
Nicole Mercado, Michigan State
April 11 Stephanie Churchwell, Northwestern
April 18 Megan Higginbotham, Minnesota

2005 Pitchers of the Week

- Feb. 8 Eileen Canney, Northwestern
Feb. 15 Diana LaRiva, Purdue
Feb. 22 Lorilyn Wilson, Michigan
March 1 Courtney Foster, Northwestern
March 8 Lisa Birocci, Iowa
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