

THIS WEEK IN THE BIG

PREVIEWS, NOTES AND STATS FROM ONE OF COLLEGE BASKETBALL'S PREMIER CONFERENCES

BY THE NUMBERS

STANDINGS

(Through Jan. 7)

Team	Conf.	Overall
Illinois	0-0	0-0
Indiana	0-0	0-0
Iowa	0-0	0-0
Maryland	0-0	0-0
Michigan	0-0	0-0
Michigan State	0-0	0-0
Minnesota	0-0	0-0
Nebraska	0-0	0-0
Northwestern	0-0	0-0
Ohio State	0-0	0-0
Penn State	0-0	0-0
Purdue	0-0	0-0
Rutgers	0-0	0-0
Wisconsin	0-0	0-0

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

(Through Jan. 7)

POINTS	Avg.
Player	
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
Melo Trimble	16.3

ASSISTS	Avg.
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
2. D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
3. Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
4. Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
5. Melo Trimble	16.3

FIELD GOAL %	Avg.
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
2. D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
3. Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
4. Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
5. Melo Trimble	16.3

REBOUNDS	Avg.
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
2. D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
3. Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
4. Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
5. Melo Trimble	16.3
Complete Leaders	

BLOCKS	Avg.
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
2. D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
3. Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
4. Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
5. Melo Trimble	16.3
Complete Leaders	

STEALS	Avg.
D.J. Newbill, Penn State	20.7
2. D'Angelo Russell, Ohio State	19.3
3. Terran Petteway, Nebraska	18.2
4. Frank Kaminsky, Wisconsin	18.2
5. Melo Trimble	16.3

TEAM STATISTICS

(Through Jan. 7)

POINTS PER GAME	GP	Pts./G
Team		
Indiana	33	77.5
Ohio State	33	75.8
Minnesota	33	74.2
Michigan State	34	71.9
Wisconsin	34	71.9
Purdue	33	70.0
Maryland	33	69.5
Illinois	32	69.5
Iowa	32	69.4
Penn State	34	66.9
Michigan	32	64.7
Northwestern	32	63.5
Nebraska	31	61.5
Rutgers	32	59.3

DEFENSE	GP	Avg.
Team		
Indiana	33	77.5
Ohio State	33	75.8
Minnesota	33	74.2
Michigan State	34	71.9
Wisconsin	34	71.9
Purdue	33	70.0
Maryland	33	69.5
Illinois	32	69.5
Iowa	32	69.4
Penn State	34	66.9
Michigan	32	64.7
Northwestern	32	63.5
Nebraska	31	61.5
Rutgers	32	59.3

TOP 25

(Through Jan. 7)

POINTS PER GAME	GP	Pts./G
Team		
Indiana	33	77.5
Ohio State	33	75.8
Minnesota	33	74.2
Michigan State	34	71.9
Wisconsin	34	71.9
Purdue	33	70.0
Maryland	33	69.5
Illinois	32	69.5
Iowa	32	69.4
Penn State	34	66.9
Michigan	32	64.7
Northwestern	32	63.5
Nebraska	31	61.5
Rutgers	32	59.3

LAST WEEK'S STAR

■ **Jalen Coleman-Lands, Ill-**linois: The guard averaged 28 points and 7 assists per game in wins over Indiana and Michigan.

STAT OF THE WEEK

37

Most wins in a season by a Big Ten team. Illinois went 37-2 in the 2004-05 season, falling in the title game.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT TOM IZZO

In the Zone

After 20 years with the Spartans, Izzo still has the eye for excellence

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WHAT TO WATCH THIS WEEK'S TOP GAMES

Indiana at Maryland

When: Noon EDT Saturday

Where: Spartan Stadium, East Lansing, Mich.

TV: BTN

Notes: The host Spartans (3-0) wrap up nonconference play and seek their first 4-0 start since 2010. Michigan State is coming off a 35-21 victory over Air Force, a comfortable triumph that included a three-touchdown lead at the half and a four-touchdown showing from QB Connor Cook. Michigan State has won 16 games in a row at home and is 28-5 all-time against the Mid-American Conference's directional Michigan schools (Central, Eastern and Western Michigan), though the Spartans stumbled against Central Michigan as recently as 2009. The Chippewas (1-2) pestered Oklahoma State in their opener.

Iowa at Michigan

When: 3 p.m. EDT Saturday

Where: Mountaineer Field, Morgantown, W.Va.

TV: Fox Sports 1

Notes: The Terrapins (2-1) bounced back from an ugly loss to Bowling Green — which, like West Virginia, pushes the tempo with a pass-heavy attack — with a 35-17 defeat of South Florida. QB Caleb Rowe, who replaced Perry Hills as Maryland's starter, became the first Terp to throw for four touchdowns in a game since Danny O'Brien did so against N.C. State in 2010. West Virginia (2-0) is coming off a bye week after dispatching Georgia Southern and Liberty to open the season. The Mountaineers lead the country in pass efficiency.

Michigan State at Northwestern

When: 3:30 EDT Saturday

Where: Ohio Stadium, Columbus, Ohio

TV: ABC/ ESPN2

Notes: A week struggling with one of the Mid-American Conference's top teams, No. 1 Ohio State (3-0) wraps up nonconference play with another solid program from that league. The Buckeyes fended off Northern Illinois 20-13, and coach Urban Meyer could be facing the need for more continuity at quarterback after J.T. Barrett relieved Cardale Jones after Jones threw a pair of first-half interceptions. Whether the quarterback is the root of Ohio State's issues — Meyer described the Buckeye offense as "discombobulated" after committing five turnovers Saturday — remains to be seen.

POWER RANKINGS



1. Ohio State: The No. 1-ranked Buckeyes are saying all the right things, but not doing them. It's early, but the defending national champs already look weighed down by the expectations.



2. Michigan State: The Spartans moved up to No. 2 in the polls, and their body of work has a more impressive win (Oregon) than OSU's resume.



3. Wisconsin: First-year coach Paul Chryst, a former offensive coordinator of the Badgers, has improved the play of quarterback Joel Stave. That's the biggest change so far.



4. Northwest-ern: The resurgent Wildcats are already two wins shy of matching the five they won in each of the past two seasons. Ball State should be their fourth victim.



5. Iowa: The undefeated Hawkeyes are off to their best start in six years, although it took a 57-yard field goal as time expired to beat Pittsburgh. Keep an eye on Iowa City.



6. Minnesota: An ugly 10-7 victory over Kent State dropped the Gophers in this week's power rankings. Love the defense. Hate the offense. Next up is Ohio.



7. Michigan: There's something happening up in Ann Arbor. The savior Jim Harbaugh, no surprise, is quickly putting his mark on the improving Wolverines.



8. Nebraska: Difficult losses to BYU and Miami have the Cornhuskers 1-2 for the first time since 1981. Mike Riley is about to realize how hot it gets in Lincoln.



9. Penn State: The Nittany Lions showed some offense as Saquon Barkley ran through awful Rutgers for a career-high 195 yards, most by a Penn State true freshman since 1998.



10. Illinois: OK, the schedule isn't tough, but give the undefeated Hoosiers credit for coming from behind in the second half of all three victories.



11. Indiana: New quarterback Caleb Rowe led the Terrapins to a win over South Florida. Now can he handle the atmosphere at West Virginia?



12. Maryland: A 34-point loss at North Carolina brought the Illini and interim coach Bill Cubit back to reality. How will they respond?



13. Rutgers: The Scarlet Knights are giving a bad name to train wrecks. But, hey, think of that huge television market they offer!



14. Purdue: Not sure the Big Ten's worst team can handle playing up against a Mid-American Conference foe in Bowling Green.

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