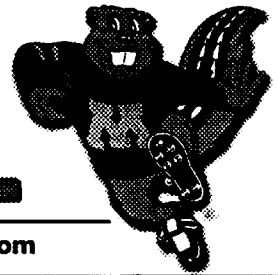


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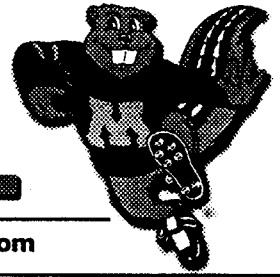
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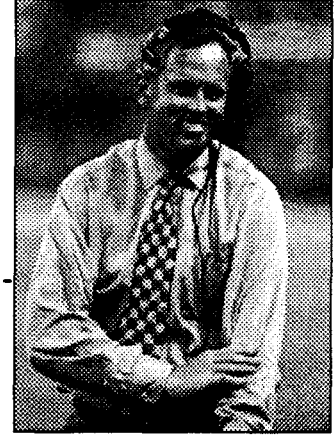
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BIG TEN RANKINGS

| | Before Mason | | Under Mason | | |
|------------------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
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| Average Ranking | 9.1 | 8.3 | 6.8 | 4.0* | 5.0 |
| Big Ten Finish | 9th | 9th | 7th | 4th# | |

* Best since 1967 + Best since 1969 ^ Best since 1985
 # Best since 1986 @ Best since 1993

Mason At A Glance



- ✓ Named the 1999 National Coach of the Year by the Football News
- ✓ Finalist for the 1999 Bear Bryant and Eddie Robinson National Coach of the Year Awards
- ✓ Named the 1999 Dave McClain Big Ten Coach of the Year, the first time a Minnesota coach has won this honor
- ✓ Only the third coach in NCAA history to be named conference coach of the year in three different conferences (Kent '86, Kansas '91 & '95, Minnesota '99)
- ✓ Led Minnesota to an 8-4 record in 1999, its best record since 1967, when the Golden Gophers notched an 8-2 record and were Big Ten champs
- ✓ Directed three of the most monumental turnarounds in college football at Kent, Kansas and now Minnesota
- ✓ 1992, 1995 and 1999 Football Writers Bear Bryant National Coach of the Year Award finalist
- ✓ 193-141-4 overall record in his 29 seasons as a head/assistant coach

Golden Gophers Idle This Week; Look to Finish Season on a Winning Note vs. Iowa: The Golden Gophers will be idle this weekend as they try to regroup and finish the season on a winning note on Nov. 18, when they face resurgent Iowa at the Metrodome. Minnesota will be looking to break a three-game losing streak, the longest losing streak since a six-game skid in Head Coach Glen Mason's first season. In the losing streak, Minnesota has given up an average of 44.3 points per game. In the previous four Big Ten games when Minnesota had gone 3-1, the Golden Gophers had allowed just 16.8 points per game. Iowa is coming off back-to-back wins over Penn State and Northwestern.

Redmon Sets Career-High in Loss: Sophomore running back Tellis Redmon had a career-high 211 yards rushing in the 41-20 loss to Wisconsin last weekend. Redmon's 211 yards on 30 carries surpassed his previous high of 189 yards set earlier this season against Illinois. Redmon has now rushed for 1,025 yards on 225 carries with six rushing TDs and six 100-plus yard games. The six 100-yard plus games is the most since Darrell Thompson tallied seven 100-yard plus games in 1989. Redmon is the sixth back in school history to notch 1,000 yards in a season. Chris Darkins (1994) holds the school record with 1,443 yards in 1994.

Postseason Bowl Picture Still Cloudy: The Big Ten's postseason bowl picture is still very cloudy going into the final weekend. Iowa, Penn State and Indiana are the only teams eliminated for postseason play. Purdue, Northwestern, Michigan, Wisconsin and Ohio State are already bowl eligible. Minnesota, Illinois and Michigan State all need one more win to become bowl eligible. The Big Ten still has an outside shot at a BCS at-large bowl with Ohio State a likely candidate if they win their final game. The Big Ten could have as many as eight bowl eligible teams.

TC From the JC: Junior Travis Cole took over the starting quarterback job following the loss at Purdue and has done a very good job of running the Minnesota offense. The junior college transfer from Foothill Junior College in Los Altos Hills, Calif., had his toughest game vs. the Badgers as he was picked off twice in the loss, one of which was returned for a TD. For the season, he has thrown for 1,481 yards with 108 completions in 185 attempts (58.4 percent) and eight TDs. He is ranked 22nd in the nation in passing efficiency with a 134.5 rating. An honorable mention

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All-American in junior college, Cole threw for 5,136 yards in two years at Foothill Junior College. He had a 58 percent completion percentage over his two seasons in junior college. A multi-sport athlete in high school at Lakeridge High School in Lake Oswego, Ore., he was a *USA Today* Honorable Mention All-America selection in basketball and was a major league baseball draft pick (52nd round) of the Toronto Blue Jays.

Relief Pitcher: Redshirt freshman Asad Abdul-Khaliq has been seeing more action the past three weeks, especially in goal line and short yardage situations. Against Northwestern he rushed nine times for 56 yards and two TDs. Abdul-Khaliq ran for another TD vs. the Badgers. He saw some action vs. Indiana with time running down and led the team to a score with a two-yard TD run. The outright starter to begin the season, Abdul-Khaliq was 12-18 for 161 yards and three TDs vs. UL Monroe, before being knocked from the game with a minor concussion in the second quarter. Abdul-Khaliq's three TDs in his first collegiate game was the most any Golden Gopher quarterback has thrown in his first game in Minnesota history. The highly-touted Abdul-Khaliq is two years removed from high school where he was a PrepStar All-America selection at Elizabeth High School, in Elizabeth, N.J. Abdul-Khaliq spent the 1998 season playing for Fork Union Military Academy where he completed 62 percent of his passes and threw for 18 TDs in seven games. In the process, he broke NFL star Vinny Testaverde's school record for best touch-down-to-interception ratio. Abdul-Khaliq sat out the 1999 season as a redshirt and learned the Minnesota offense behind then-senior quarterback Billy Cockerham.

Gruening Leads the Nation: Sophomore punter Preston Gruening has emerged as one of the top candidates for the Ray Guy Award presented to the nation's top punter. Gruening is having an outstanding season. He leads the nation in punting with an average of 46.4 yards per punt. He has held the lead every week of the season after starting the year with six punts for a 58 yard-average in the season opener. Gruening had two punts vs. Wisconsin for an average of 51.0, including a 59-yarder. An outstanding student as well, Gruening is a two-time Academic All-Big Ten selection and will be a District Five Academic All-American this season.

Redmon Sets School Record With 83-Yard Punt Return: Tellis Redmon continued Minnesota's exciting special teams play with an 83-yard punt return for a TD in the first quarter vs. Northwestern which broke a school record that had stood for 36 years. Bill Crockett returned a punt 80 yards for a TD vs. Nebraska in 1964. Redmon has returned 19 punts for 287 yards this season for an average of 15.1 per return which is ranked 13th in the nation. Redmon is averaging 161.9 yards of all-purpose yardage this season which is 13th in the nation. He has rushed for 1,025 yards (27th), caught 26 passes for 299 yards and has 295 yards on kick returns. He has tallied six TDs rushing, two receiving and one on kick returns.

Another Long Kick Return: Jermaine Mays tied a school record with a 100-yard kickoff return to start the second half of the Indiana game. The 100-yard run tied a school record held by Rick Upchurch (11/23/74) and Bobby Weber (9/17/77). Mays is ranked 26th in the nation with an average of 24.21 yards per return. His return for a TD was the first since Tyrone Carter returned one 86 yards for a TD vs. Arkansas State (9/5/98).

Brewer and Jones Set Career-Highs in Receiving: Jack Brewer and Elvin Jones set career-highs with over 100 yards receiving each in the loss to Northwestern. Brewer had six catches for 120 yards, while Jones had six catches for 102 yards, including a 45-yard TD catch from punter Preston Gruening. Brewer is third on the team in receptions with 21 for 277 yards. Jones is fourth with 16 catches for 204 yards and a TD.

Nystrom Sets School Field Goal Record: Sophomore Dan Nystrom set a single-season school record with 20 field goals after booting two vs. Wisconsin. Nystrom surpassed Paul Rogind's mark of 18 set in 1977. The 20 field goals is the ninth-highest mark in Big Ten history and is second in the nation this year. In just 21 games, Nystrom has already booted 37 field goals to rank sixth in all-time career field goals and seventh in all-time scoring with 182 points, which is fifth in kick scoring all-time.

Nystrom Nears Scoring Mark: Dan Nystrom is just two points short of his own school record for points of 92, set last year. He is ranked 20th overall and fifth in the nation amongst kickers in scoring.

Streaking: Junior wide receiver Ron Johnson has emerged as one of the top receivers in the nation. He has caught at least one pass in 33 consecutive games (every game of his career) which is the sixth-longest streak in the nation. He had a career-high game vs. Indiana with six catches for 177 yards, including a career-long 82-yard TD catch. He has nine touchdown catches

Check This Out

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Voted "Best Website in the State" in 1997 by the Minnesota Magazine Publishers Association, www.gophersports.com has been completely revamped for the 2000 season. The site contains news releases, statistics, rosters, schedules, coach and player profiles, and links to the Big Ten and NCAA web sites. New items on the site are online ticketing and exclusive photo and feature articles. In conjunction with Channel 4000, the live WCCO-AM broadcast of every Golden Gopher game this season will once again be available on the site for up to 150,000 listeners.



Fax on Demand

The University of Minnesota Fax on Demand "cell" numbers are listed below. Call the Big Ten Conference Communications Office at (847) 696-1010 for more information.

- 2210# Weekly release
- 2211# Team/individual statistics
- 2212# Rosters/schedule
- 2213# Stats from most recent game

Big Ten Championships

Minnesota is third overall with 18 Big Ten football team titles. Michigan leads the way with 39 league crowns, followed by Ohio State with 28. A complete listing of Big Ten titles by school follows:

| | |
|--------------------|----|
| 1. Michigan | 39 |
| 2. Ohio State | 28 |
| 3. MINNESOTA | 18 |
| 4. Illinois | 14 |
| 5. Wisconsin | 11 |
| 6. Iowa | 9 |
| 7. Purdue | 7 |
| Northwestern | |
| Chicago | |
| 10. Michigan State | 6 |
| 11. Indiana | 2 |
| 12. Penn State | 1 |

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in 10 games and a team-high 52 receptions for 987 yards. Johnson has a chance to set the school record for receiving yards in a season. He trails Ryan Thelwell's record of 1,051 yards by just 64 yards. With 13 yards in receptions he would become the third receiver in school history to notch over 1,000 receiving yards. He is now Minnesota's all-time touchdown reception leader with 20. His nine TDs is 11th in the nation and his 98.7 yards per game average is ranked 12th nationally. Johnson led the team in 1999 with 43 receptions for 574 yards and seven TDs. Johnson is the son of Ron Johnson Sr., who earned two Super Bowl rings (1978 and 1979) as a cornerback for the NFL's Pittsburgh Steelers.

R.J. Goes Long: Ron Johnson's 82-yard touchdown reception was the longest since Antoine Henderson caught an 89-yarder last year vs. Ohio U. It ranks as the seventh-longest pass play in school history and the sixth-longest TD pass play. John Lewis' 94-yard TD catch in 1992 vs. Michigan is the school record.

Minnesota's Longest Passing Plays

1. 94-yard TD, John Lewis from Marquel Fleetwood vs. Michigan (10/24/92)
2. 91-yard TD, Jason Bruce from Scott Schaffner vs. Illinois (10/29/88)
3. 89-yard TD, Antoine Henderson from Bill Cockerham vs. Ohio (9/4/99)
- 89-yard TD, Mel Anderson from Rickey Foggie vs. Wisconsin (11/9/85)
5. 88-yard TD, Chip Litten from Ray Stephens vs. Michigan (10/26/68)
6. 84 yard catch, Rishon Early from Scott Eckers vs. Wisconsin (10/23/93)
7. 82-yard TD, Ron Johnson from Travis Cole vs. Indiana (10/21/2000)

Minnesota's Top Five Consecutive Receptions Streaks

1. Tutu Atwell, 34 consecutive games (1995-1997)
2. **Ron Johnson, 33 consecutive games (1998-present)**
3. Omar Douglas, 25 consecutive games (1991-93)
4. Chris Gaiters, 23 consecutive games (1987-89)
5. Ryan Thelwell, 22 consecutive games (1994-96)

NCAA Top Five Consecutive Receptions Streaks Of 2000

| | | | |
|-------------------------------------|----|--|----|
| Mel Long, Sr., Toledo | 44 | Ron Johnson, Jr., WR, Minnesota | 33 |
| Arnold Jackson, Sr., WR, Louisville | 44 | James Jordan, Jr., Louisiana Tech | 33 |
| Khori Ivy, Sr., West Virginia | 36 | John Simon, Jr., Louisiana Tech | 33 |
| Margin Hooks, Sr., BYU | 34 | Orlando Iglesias, Sr., WR, Houston | 32 |

Johnson In the Record Books

Career Receiving TDs

1. **Ron Johnson, 20, 1998-present**
2. Tutu Atwell, 17, 1994-97
3. Dwayne McMullen, 15, 1981-84
4. Omar Douglas, 14, 1990-93
- Ryan Thelwell, 14, 1994-96

Career Receiving Yards

1. Tutu Atwell, 2,640, 1994-97
2. Ryan Thelwell, 2,232, 1994-96
3. **Ron Johnson, 1,956, 1998-present**
4. Luke Levenson, 1,843, 1996-99
5. Omar Douglas, 1,681, 1990-93

Career Receptions

1. Tutu Atwell, 171, 1994-97
2. **Ron Johnson, 138, 1998-present**
3. Ryan Thelwell, 136, 1994-96
4. Chuck Rios, 132, 1990-94
- Luke Levenson, 132, 1996-99

Single-Season Receiving TDs

1. Omar Douglas, 11, 1993
2. **Ron Johnson, nine, 2000**
- Luke Levenson, nine, 1998
4. Ron Johnson, seven, 1999
- Elmer Bailey, seven, 1979

Single-Season Receiving Yards

1. Ryan Thelwell, 1,051, 1996
2. Chester Cooper, 1,012, 1981
3. **Ron Johnson, 986, 2000**
4. Tutu Atwell, 924, 1997
5. Omar Douglas, 880, 1993

Single-Season Receptions

1. Tutu Atwell, 62, 1996
2. Omar Douglas, 61, 1992
3. Omar Douglas, 60, 1993
- Luke Levenson, 60, 1998
5. Three players tied at 58
9. **Ron Johnson, 52, 2000**

THIS IS IMPORTANT

The weekly Big Ten coaches teleconference call will take place every Tuesday throughout the season beginning at 11 a.m. Central. Each Big Ten coach will be available for 10 minutes to preview their upcoming game. Coach Mason is scheduled from 12:40 to 12:50 p.m. Media should call (212) 346-7440 to participate. All times are Central.

- 11 a.m. - John Cooper, Ohio State
 11:10 a.m. - Lloyd Carr, Michigan
 11:20 a.m. - Cam Cameron, Indiana
 11:30 a.m. - Bobby Williams, Michigan State
11:40 a.m. - Kirk Ferentz, Iowa
 11:50 a.m. - Barry Alvarez, Wisconsin
 Noon - Ron Turner, Illinois
 12:10 p.m. - Joe Tiller, Purdue
 12:20 p.m. - Joe Paterno, Penn State
 12:30 p.m. - Randy Walker, Northwestern
12:40 p.m. - Glen Mason, Minnesota
 12:50 p.m. - Players of the Week (if avail.)

The entire teleconference will also be available via playback for 24 hours by calling 1-800-633-8284. The Big Ten access number is: 15888348. Please do not release these numbers to the public.

Golden Gopher Webline

The Golden Gopher Webline features daily interviews with coaches and student-athletes. It is changed by noon (Central) each day. The Webline is available to the media 24 hours a day at www.gophersports.com. This week's schedule is as follows:

Monday, Nov. 13

Dan Monson's postgame news conference

Tuesday, Nov. 14

Linebacker Sean Hoffman

Wednesday, Nov. 15

BKB forward John Blair Bickerstaff

Thursday, Nov. 16

Swimmer Chad Krastus

Friday, Nov. 17

Hockey forward John Pohl

Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 18-19

Coach Mason's postgame news conference

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Mr. Consistency: Sophomore running back Tellis Redmon's rushing streak of four consecutive games with 100 yards or more was broken vs. Northwestern as he was held to 63 yards rushing. He bounced back with a career-high 211 yards on 30 carries vs. Wisconsin. He is one of three backs in modern school history to notch four consecutive 100-yard games. Paul Giel holds the record with five consecutive 100-yard games (10/20/51-11/17/51). Thomas Hamner had four consecutive last season (10/2-10/23). Redmon has 1,025 yards and six TDs on 225 carries for a 4.6 yards per carry average. He is sixth in the Big Ten in rushing and 22nd in the nation. An excellent receiver as well, he is second on the team to Ron Johnson with 26 receptions for 299 yards and two touchdowns. Add to that 295 return yards on kicks and Redmon has 1,619 all-purpose yards for an average of 161.9 per game, which is fourth in the Big Ten and 12th in the nation. Redmon's 2.6 receptions per game is 11th in the country. However, his 10.5 yards per catch is second among pass-catching running backs.

The Top Pass-Catching Running Backs in The Country

| | Rec. | Yards | Avg. | TD | Rec./gm |
|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|----------|------------|
| John Simon, Louisiana Tech | 58 | 565 | 9.7 | 3 | 5.8 |
| Emmett White, Utah State | 37 | 530 | 14.3 | 2 | 4.1 |
| Willie Anderson, Idaho | 32 | 293 | 9.2 | 3 | 4.0 |
| Shaud Williams, Texas Tech | 37 | 232 | 6.3 | 0 | 3.7 |
| Kris Briggs, SMU | 32 | 245 | 7.8 | 0 | 3.6 |
| Ray Robinson, N.C. State | 21 | 242 | 11.5 | 0 | 3.5 |
| Derek Homer, Kentucky | 31 | 274 | 8.8 | 0 | 3.4 |
| Chad Scott, Kentucky | 26 | 175 | 6.7 | 0 | 3.3 |
| Hodges Mitchell, Texas | 23 | 241 | 10.5 | 3 | 3.3 |
| Joffrey Reynolds, Houston | 24 | 193 | 8.0 | 0 | 3.0 |
| Tellis Redmon, Minnesota | 26 | 299 | 11.5 | 2 | 2.6 |

Riley Named Preseason All-America: Senior defensive end Karon Riley was named preseason All-America by *Street and Smith's* and *The Football News*. Riley led the Big Ten and was second in the nation a year ago with 16 sacks.

Riley Named Semifinalist for National Defensive Player of the Year Award: All-America candidate Karon Riley was named one of 15 semifinalists for the *Football News* National Defensive Player of the Year Award. This is the second year in a row that Minnesota has had a player up for the award. Tyrone Carter was a finalist for the award last year.

Riley Named Top Defensive Player in Big Ten by Sports Illustrated: Senior preseason All-American Karon Riley was named one of the top 10 defensive players in the country by *Sports Illustrated* and the top player from the Big Ten. Riley leads the Big Ten in sacks and tackles for loss for the second straight season. He is joined by Jamal Reynolds of Florida State (DE), Keith Adams of Clemson (LB), Andre Carter of Cal (DE), Levar Fisher of N.C. State (LB), Casey Hampton of Texas (D'I), Dan Morgan of Miami (LB), Justin Smith of Missouri (DE), Fred Smoot of Mississippi State (CB) and Roy Williams of Oklahoma (CB).

Riley Sets School Career Sack Record: Preseason All-America selection Karon Riley set the Minnesota career-record for sacks when he posted one vs. Wisconsin. He now has 24.5 career sacks in a little under two seasons at Minnesota. He surpassed the record held by Lamanzer Williams (1994-97). Riley led the Big Ten and was second in the nation with 16 sacks last season. He has eight and a half sacks and 16 tackles for loss this season which both lead the Big Ten. The athletically gifted, 250-pound Riley, runs the 40-yard dash in 4.55 and has a 36-inch vertical leap. He had an outstanding game vs. Baylor with a sack, four pressures and three tackles for loss. His bone-jarring hits knocked two Baylor quarterbacks from the game. He now has 27.5 career sacks, 24.5 of them at Minnesota (he had three sacks for 25 yards as a sophomore at SMU).

Graham Goes the Distance On Interception: Trevis Graham picked off a Dustin Ward pass against Illinois at the Minnesota 29 yard line and returned it 71 yards for a TD. It was the first interception returned for a touchdown since Jimmy Wyrick returned one 61 yards for a TD vs. Indiana last year. The interception return for a TD was the longest since 1994 when defensive end Jerome Davis batted a ball down to himself and ran 75 yards for a score against San Diego State.

Center of Attention: Senior center Ben Hamilton has played in and started 44-of-45 games over the past three-plus seasons for the Golden Gophers and has been a dominating force blocking in the middle. The Associated Press and *The Sporting News* first-team All-America selection in 1999 has 71 knockdown blocks without a sack allowed this season. He and his veteran offensive line have been the key to Minnesota's renewed rushing attack this year. Hamilton has been dominant the past four games, creating gaping holes for the Minnesota backs to run through. A legitimate candidate for the Lombardi Award and Outland Trophy, he is a warrior and excellent blocking technician on the interior line. Last year, he had 69 knockdown blocks. In 1998, he allowed only one sack and had 43 knockdown blocks to his credit. The son of former Minnesota Vikings' offensive lineman Wes Hamilton, it's no secret that Hamilton is one of the best centers in the nation.

Hamilton Named Finalist for the Rotary Lombardi Award: Senior All-American center Ben Hamilton was named one of four finalists for the Rotary Lombardi Award, which will be awarded on December 6, in Houston, Texas. Hamilton is Minnesota's first-ever finalist ever for the award. He joins center Dominic Raiola of Nebraska, guard Steve Hutchinson of Michigan and defensive end Jamal Reynolds of Florida State as finalists for the 31st annual honor.

Hamilton has been a four-year starter and two-time captain of the Golden Gophers. A first-team All-America selection by the Associated Press, *The Sporting News* and CBS Sportsline last season, he was named to virtually everyone's preseason All-America list this year. The son of former Minnesota Vikings guard Wes Hamilton, Ben Hamilton has been a dominant force in the middle of the Gophers offensive line for four seasons. He has started 43 of 44 games in his career and not allowed a sack since his sophomore season. This year he has 69 knockdown blocks in nine games. An excellent athlete who is a tactician with his blocking skills, he is the heart and soul of the Minnesota offensive line.

The Rotary Lombardi Award is annually presented to the college lineman - on offense or defense - who, in addition to outstanding performance on the field, best exemplifies the characteristics and discipline of Vince Lombardi. Corey Moore of Virginia Tech was the 1999 recipient of the Trophy. The 2000 winner will be announced at a dinner in Houston on December 6. Sponsored by the Rotary Club of Houston, the award dinner has raised more than \$2.4 million for the American Cancer Society's cancer research programs since its inception in 1970.

This year marks the first time three offensive linemen have been finalists since 1983, when eventual winner Dean Steinkuhler of Nebraska was joined by fellow offensive linemen Doug Dawson of Texas and Bill Fralic of Pittsburgh along with defensive end Reggie White of Tennessee on the final ballot.

Hamilton Named Preseason All-America: Senior center Ben Hamilton has been named a preseason All-American by nearly every organization. The Outland Trophy and Lombardi Award candidate was an AP All-America selection last season.

The "O" Line: Minnesota's offensive line is the best at the school in two decades. Led by All-American Ben Hamilton, the group features five players who have started in their career and four starters from a year ago. The Golden Gophers finished second in the Big Ten and 11th in the nation in 1999 in rushing, averaging 227.2 yards per game. They are averaging 192.1 yards per game this season. Junior right guard Ryan Roth, junior left guard Derek Burns and senior left tackle Adam Haayer join Hamilton as return-

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ing starters. Haayer was a second team All-Big Ten selection last year and is a candidate for postseason honors this year as well. Sophomore right tackle Jake Kuppe (6-7, 330) is another regular performer from last year. He had his first career start a year ago against Penn State. The offensive line did an excellent job protecting the passer last year, allowing just 22 sacks on the year, which was the third-fewest in the Big Ten. That compares favorably to 1998, when the team allowed 48 sacks (4.4). Minnesota has allowed 19 sacks this season (1.9), fifth-best in the Big Ten.

Red Zone: Minnesota has been inconsistent scoring touchdowns in the red zone and it cost them vs. Wisconsin. Minnesota entered the red zone four times in the first half and had just one touchdown and 12 points. For the game, they were in the red zone six times and scored just two touchdowns. Minnesota has been in the red zone 27 times in the past five games and scored touchdowns 11 times. Against Northwestern, Minnesota added a new look bringing in Abdul-Khaliq at quarterback and he responded by scoring two touchdowns in three opportunities in the red zone. That same look created a red zone rushing touchdown against Wisconsin by Abdul-Khaliq.

Hoffman and Mezera Named To Butkus Award "Watch List": Senior linebackers Sean Hoffman and Ben Mezera were both named to the 2000 Butkus Award "Watch List," released by the Downtown Athletic Club of Orlando. Hoffman is a four-year starter at sam linebacker and one of the emotional leaders of the defense. Mezera is a three-year letter winner and two-year starter who is just 3.5 sacks shy of the school record of 23.5 career sacks.

The Graduates: Two players on this year's team have already graduated from the University of Minnesota with an undergraduate degree. Senior captain Sean Hoffman graduated with a degree in speech communications last June. Mike Cernoch is a senior defensive end who graduated with a degree in management last spring.

Senior Day: The Iowa Game is senior day and the Golden Gophers will honor 16 seniors, 13 of them fifth-year seniors.

Ironmen: There have been some notable endurance marks set this year by the seniors. Trevis Graham has played in every game the past four seasons (45). Clorenzo Griffin has played in 30 of 33 games the past three seasons. Ben Hamilton has played in every game but one in his four seasons (44). Ben Mezera has played in every game but one the past four years (44). Karon Riley has played in and started every game since his arrival (22). John Schlecht has played in and started in every game since he arrived (33). Sean Hoffman has played in and started every game for four seasons (45).

Middlebrooks Lost for the Season: Junior cornerback Willie Middlebrooks, the fifth-best cornerback in the nation according to *Lindy's* magazine, fractured his left ankle against Indiana and was lost for the remainder of the regular season. The 6-2, 195-pound speedster is the fastest player on the Minnesota roster with a 4.25 time in the 40-yard dash and has the size and strength to lock a receiver up at the line of scrimmage in bump-and-run coverage.

Tapeh Injures Foot; Lost For Season: Freshman running back Thomas Tapeh injured his right foot in practice on Oct. 25, and x-rays revealed a severe sprain that will require surgery and will put him out for the season. Tapeh exploded onto the scene vs. Baylor, rushing for 183 yards on 32 carries in just his second collegiate game. The powerful back rushed for 344 yards on 81 carries with a pair of TDs for a 4.2 yards per carry average before going down.

Lehan Steps In: Sophomore cornerback Mike Lehan has stepped into the limelight this year as a starter and done very well. He leads the team with eight pass breakups and is tenth in tackles. The season-ending injury to Willie Middlebrooks put even more pressure on Lehan as he must use his 4.39 speed to cover the top receivers in the Big Ten. A converted running

back, he has done an excellent job of learning to play defense since coming over to that side of the ball in the spring of 1999.

Attendance Watch: A total of 318,086 fans attended the Golden Gophers' six home games a year ago for an average of 45,441 fans per game. Minnesota's attendance in the first five home games this year is 229,725 for an average of 45,945. The 59,004 fans who attended the Northwestern game marked the largest crowd of the season.

Second Half Collapse: Minnesota had dominated the second half of its games, outscoring its opponents 147-84 before the past two games where they have been outscored 58-15 in the second half. For the year, Minnesota still has a 162-142 lead in second half scoring. That breaks down to 67-40 in the third quarter and 95-102 in the fourth quarter. Minnesota has also outscored its opponents 66-53 in the first quarter and 90-61 in the second quarter.

Golden Gophers Team Up With Children's Cancer Research Fund: The University of Minnesota football program and Head Coach Glen Mason have teamed up with the Children's Cancer Research Fund to help raise money in the battle against childhood cancer. Fans can pledge money for each first down the Golden Gophers achieve during the 2000 season through the "First Down for CCRF" program. Pledge forms are available by calling CCRF at (952) 893-9355 or 1-888-4-CCRF-48.

CCRF Honorary Captains: As part of the Golden Gophers' partnership with the Children's Cancer Research Fund, a pediatric cancer survivor will join the Gopher team as honorary captain for the coin toss prior to each 2000 home football game. The honorary team captain for the next home game vs. Iowa is Kenneth Weinand, 12, Rogers, Minn.

Well Ain't That Special: Outstanding special teams play has become a trademark of the Golden Gopher program under Head Coach Glen Mason. They had another big day vs. Indiana when they blocked a Hoosier punt that set up a Minnesota TD. John Schlecht blocked an Indiana field goal at the end of the first half and Jermaine Mays returned the opening kickoff of the second half 100 yards for a TD.

Special Teams 2000: Junior linebacker Jimmy Henry partially blocked a punt that caused it to go only two yards in the ULM game. Minnesota also forced a team safety when a ULM punt snap went out of the back of the end zone. Against Ohio, defensive tackle Matt Anderle blocked a field goal at the end of the first half. In the Purdue game, Trevis Graham blocked the third punt of his career and Jermaine Mays returned it to the Purdue 14-yard line. Mays picked up his first blocked punt against OSU.

THIS IS IMPORTANT, 2

"LUNCH WITH MASON"

The University of Minnesota Goal Line Club is once again presenting "Lunch with Mason" at the Thunderbird Hotel & Convention Center in Bloomington. Five luncheons will be held before Golden Gopher home football games this season. The final luncheon is Friday, November 17.

At the luncheon, Coach Glen Mason takes a look back at the previous week's game and then looks ahead to the next opponent. He is joined each week by one of his assistant coaches and two players who are interviewed by a celebrity emcee.

Registration and a social hour at 11:30 a.m. kicks things off, followed by lunch at noon and the program at 12:30 p.m.

The cost is \$13 per luncheon. Those who plan to attend need to make reservations by calling Scott Erdahl at the U of M Marketing Office at (612) 625-4879 the Wednesday prior to each luncheon.

*The remaining schedule is as follows:
Friday, November 17*

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HOW THEY STACK UP

| | Minnesota | Iowa |
|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Scoring | 31.8 (318) | 16.3 (179) |
| First Downs | 205 | 185 |
| Rushing | 105 | 63 |
| Passing | 84 | 109 |
| Penalty | 16 | 13 |
| Rushing Yardage | 192.1 | 86.7 |
| Passing Yardage | 228.5 | 2220.1 |
| Total Offense | 420.6 | 306.8 |
| Kickoff Returns | 19.1 | 23.8 |
| Punt Returns | 14.3 | 9.5 |
| Fumbles/Lost | 17/8 | 19/8 |
| Penalty YDs | 60.8 | 53.3 |
| Net Punting | 45.3 | 39.1 |
| Time of Possession | 28:41 | 29:229 |
| 3rd Down Conv. | 39% (59/153) | 40% (72/180) |
| 4th Down Conv. | 75% (9/12) | 18% (2/11) |
| Sacks/Yards | 23/154 | 24/139 |
| Touchdowns | 37 | 20 |
| Field Goals/Att. | 20/31 | 13/21 |
| Pat's | 30/32 | 18/18 |

These Guys are Special: Junior free safety Delvin Jones and senior cornerback Trevis Graham are big-play artists on the special teams for the Golden Gophers. In the win over UL Monroe in '99, Graham blasted through to block an Indians' punt early in the second quarter. Running back Tellis Redmon took it out of midair and ran 15 yards for a touchdown and a 21-0 Golden Gopher lead. Graham also blocked a punt at then-top-ranked Ohio State in 1998 that sailed out of the end zone for a safety. He also recovered a fumble in the end zone for a touchdown after a botched Michigan punt in 1998. Jones blocked an Ohio punt in the 1999 season opener that flew out of the end zone for a safety and a 16-7 Golden Gopher lead early in the second quarter. It also marked Jones' second career blocked punt (1998 vs. Memphis, which Graham scooped up and returned for a touchdown). Jones also recovered a fumble midway through the fourth quarter after a botched Ohio punt attempt that led to a Golden Gopher touchdown three plays later and the final points in the 33-7 win. Another special teams performer is Mike Lehan, who blocked a punt that was kicked out of the end zone for a safety vs. Northwestern in 1999.

Turnover Margin: Minnesota tallied a strong start in the turnover margin stat by forcing and recovering two UL Monroe fumbles and not having any turnovers against them in the opener. This year, Minnesota is sixth in the Big Ten and tied for 60th in the nation in turnover margin at +1.0. Last year, the Golden Gophers finished seventh in the conference and tied for 60th in the nation in turnover margin.

Golden Gophers Set School Sack Record In 1999: Under the direction of defensive coordinator David Gibbs, Minnesota's defense has been successful in putting pressure on the opposing quarterbacks the past four seasons. The Golden Gophers set a new school record for sacks in a season with 45 sacks last year. That broke the previous school record of 41 sacks

in 1997. To put that into perspective, Minnesota had just eight sacks for the entire 1996 season — the year before Glen Mason's arrival — and only 12 sacks in 1995. The Maroon and Gold will fall short of that mark this year. The team has 23 sacks on the year.

Sack Attack — Part Two: Senior preseason All-American defensive end Karon Riley, a transfer from SMU, keys the Golden Gophers' sack attack. Riley's 16 sacks led the Big Ten last year and was second in the nation. He is the all-time career sacks leader at Minnesota with 24.5. His eight and a half sacks this season leads the Big Ten. He tied the single-game school record twice last season with three sacks vs. Iowa and UL Monroe, but has yet to notch a trifecta this year. Senior linebacker Ben Mezera is another outstanding pass rusher. He is in second-place on the all-time school records list with 22 career sacks after notching two vs. Northwestern. With the emergence of Greg White at defensive end, Mezera has not blitzed as much this season. He had 12 sacks in 1999, which was fourth in the Big Ten. Mezera was also eighth in the Big Ten in tackles for loss with 17. Senior linebacker Sean Hoffman tallied his first sack of the year and 12th all-time vs. OSU, putting him tied for fifth on the all-time career list. Junior defensive tackle John Schlecht tallied his 12th career sack against Wisconsin to put him in a tie for fifth on the school's career sack list.

Schlecht Extends School Tackle For Loss Record: Senior defensive tackle John Schlecht set the school tackles for loss record, when he notched two TFLs vs. Illinois. He extended the record further with three TFLs vs. Wisconsin. He now has 42 in his three years at Minnesota. After going the first three games without a tackle for loss, Schlecht has picked it up in Big Ten play with 11 in seven games. The consensus second-team All-Big Ten selection has 12 career sacks at the U of M, which is fifth on the all-time school records list. Named one of the top 25 defensive tackles in the country by *Lindy's*, he ranked second on the team and was tied for fifth in the Big Ten with 20 tackles for loss a year ago. Schlecht racked up a career-high 11 tackles vs. Wisconsin (10-9-99), including three for loss with one sack. The transfer from Division II St. Cloud (Minn.) State, where he was named the team's Freshman of the Year in 1996, walked on to the University of Minnesota in 1997. A native of White Bear Lake, Minn., he not only earned a scholarship with his outstanding play, but he has started every game since 1998. He is lightning quick off the ball and his ability to penetrate the line and create havoc is a huge asset for Minnesota's defense.

Big Receivers: The Golden Gophers' receiving corps is a physically imposing group. They all have good speed and great size led by 6-3, 216-pound junior Ron Johnson, a strong All-America candidate. The other two starters are big targets as well, in 6-1, 189-pound Jack Brewer and 6-0, 188-pound Jermaine Mays. In addition, the second unit has 6-3, 180-pound Elvin Jones, 6-3, 202-pound Ryan Keller and 6-3, 195-pound Tony Patterson. The taller Golden Gopher receivers give the Minnesota quarterbacks a great set of targets and the offense looks to create mismatches on the smaller cornerbacks. Add to that the deep threat of converted tight end and former wide receiver Ben Utecht at 6-6, 224, and you have a group of large targets for the quarterback.

They Can Block Too: The Golden Gopher wide receivers do an excellent job of downfield blocking as well. The unit as a whole takes great pride and the size advantage they have over most defensive backs is a tremendous advantage in blocking. Jack Brewer had a key block to free Tellis Redmon on a 20-yard TD run to clinch the win over Ohio State. Minnesota runs a variety of running and passing plays to the running backs and tight ends, designed to take advantage of that blocking ability.

Double Digit Delvin?: Junior free safety Delvin Jones played most of 1999 in the shadow of All-American Tyrone Carter. It is now Jones' time to emerge and be a leader in the secondary. He leads the team with 79 tackles, 58 of them unassisted. His best game as a Golden Gopher was vs. Wisconsin in 1999, when it looked like there were two Tyrone Carters on

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the field, as Jones had a Carter-like performance vs. the Badgers with 18 tackles, including 14 solo. He finished the season second on the team behind Carter (144) with 106 tackles, 79 of them unassisted.

Zo Griffin Fills The Gaps: Senior strong safety Clorenzo Griffin has done a nice job of filling the gap left by Tyrone Carter in the Minnesota defensive scheme. Griffin is second on the team lead with 71 tackles, 64 unassisted, including a career-high 11 vs. Ohio State, 10 of them unassisted. Griffin has done a good job for the Golden Gophers at the strong safety position, especially filling the gaps on run support and he leads the team with two interceptions.

Floyd of Rosedale: In 1935 "Floyd of Rosedale" was a championship hog that became the object of a wager between Minnesota Governor Floyd Olson and Iowa Governor Clyde Herring hinging on the outcome of that year's game. The wager was a diplomatic move to ease the tension between Golden Gopher and Hawkeye fans. Minnesota won the game, 13-6, and brought home the prized hog, which had been donated by the owner of Rosedale Farms near Fort Dodge, Iowa, and named after the Minnesota governor. Later the spirit of good sportsmanship embodied by "Floyd" would live on in the form of a 15 1/2-inch high, 21-inch long bronze statue. Heading into the Iowa/Minnesota game on Nov. 18, the Golden Gophers lead 37-26-2 in the battle for "Floyd of Rosedale". For more information, please turn to page 240 of the Golden Gopher media guide.

Weekly Coach Mason Media Luncheons: A weekly news conference/luncheon with Coach Glen Mason will be held at 11:30 a.m. each week in the Gibson-Nagurski Complex players lounge. Selected Golden Gopher players will also be available for interviews. Media attending the Nov. 14 luncheon will also have the opportunity to interview Iowa Head Kirk Ferentz via teleconference at 11:40 a.m. Coach Mason will be available at the luncheon beginning at 11:50 a.m.

Coach/Player Interviews: Coach Mason's media luncheon at 11:30 a.m. each Tuesday in the Gibson-Nagurski Complex Players' Lounge will provide the best opportunity each week for player and assistant coach interviews. In addition, player interviews can be conducted Monday and Wednesday either before the pre-practice position meetings, or after the conclusion of practice, following a brief cooling-off period. There will be no player/coach interviews after Wednesday of game week until the conclusion of Saturday's game. Requests for interviews, either in person or via the phone, should be made by calling Bill Crumley or Michael Corrigan in the Media Relations Office. Interviews must not conflict with classes, meetings, training room treatments or other team obligations. The team locker room and training room are off limits to the media at all times.

Mason On The Airwaves: The Glen Mason Show is televised on Midwest Sports Channel every Monday at 7 p.m. Coach Mason will be on WCCO Radio's "Sports Huddle with Sid and Dave" each Sunday during the season starting at 9:30 a.m. During the week, he will have one minute interviews that will air on WCCO Radio at 8:40 a.m. on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, and at 5:40 p.m. on Thursdays. In addition, Coach Mason will have his usual pregame and postgame shows on WCCO Radio.

Football Tickets Available Online: Tickets for all University of Minnesota football games are available for purchase online at the Golden Gophers' official website, www.gophersports.com. This is the first year Minnesota has offered tickets for sale via the Internet.

The Plaza: Catch Maroon & Gold fever each Golden Gopher football Saturday at the Metrodome Plaza, located on the west side of the Metrodome. The Plaza opens three hours before kickoff, featuring great food and interactive games. The U of M Marching Band performs one hour before kickoff.

Practice Information: All practices are closed to the general public, but Monday - Thursday practice sessions are open to the media. Photographers

can shoot the first 20 minutes of practice Monday-Wednesday. Friday's practice will be closed each week. Coach Mason will be available for interview following practice on Monday and Wednesday only. Media members who plan to attend practice on a particular day should call Bill Crumley in the Media Relations Office.

Postgame Interviews:

The Minnesota locker room will be closed to the media after games. Following a 10-minute cooling-off period, and his WCCO postgame radio show, Coach

Mason will be available for media interviews in the designated interview room area. Following that, selected Golden Gopher players will be available for media interviews in the interview room. Media should notify a member of the U of M Media Relations staff no later than midway through the fourth quarter which player(s) they would like to interview following the game.

Media Credentials: Requests for working media credentials for Golden Gopher home games must be made in advance on letterhead to Bill Crumley. The Media Relations Office fax number is (612) 625-0359. There are two telephone lines available in the back row of the football press box for media use on a first-come, first-served basis. Media who wish to have their own phone line installed should contact US West directly at (612) 399-7961. Ask for Sheri Fadden.

Men's Sports Hall of Fame Inductees Named: The "M" Club has announced the 2000 inductees into the "M" Club Hall of Fame. They are: Colin Anderson (T&F); Keith Fahnhorst (FB); Mike Hohensee (FB); Tom Kondla (BKB); Reed Larson (HKY); Mark Merila (BSB); Marty Morgan (WR); Peter Najarian (FB); Charles (Pat) Sawyer; Neils Thorpe. The "M" Club will also present lifetime achievement awards to Bill McMoore and Tom Moe and a Distinguished Service Award to Wendell Vanderluis. For more information please call 624-8080. The award winners will be honored at the Iowa game.

1960 National Championship Team to be Honored: The Golden Gophers' 1960 National Championship football team will be honored at halftime of the Iowa game as they celebrate the 40th anniversary of that historic season. Many players from that squad will be in attendance for the event. The first event of the weekend will be a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Gibson-Nagurski Football Complex Hall of Traditions where members of the 1960 team will officially open the exhibit. That evening there will be a reception and dinner put on by the "M" Club at the Radisson Hotel Metrodome. There will be a pregame reception on Saturday with a number of special presentations at halftime.

AND THE WINNER IS:
The University of Minnesota football program has charted a 583-407-44 (.586) overall record through the Wisconsin game.

| 6 NATIONAL TITLES | | 18 BIG TEN TITLES | |
|-------------------|------|-------------------|------|
| 1934 | 1935 | 1900 | 1933 |
| 1936 | 1940 | 1903 | 1934 |
| 1941 | 1946 | 1904 | 1935 |
| | | 1906 | 1937 |
| | | 1909 | 1938 |
| | | 1910 | 1940 |
| | | 1911 | 1941 |
| | | 1915 | 1960 |
| | | 1927 | 1967 |

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Minnesota In Big Ten/NCAA Stats 2000:

| Stats/Individual | Big Ten | NCAA (top 50) |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------------|
| Rushing, Redmon (102.5) | 6th | 23rd |
| All-Purpose, Redmon (161.9) | 4th | 12th |
| All-Purpose, Johnson (106.7) | 10th | --- |
| Receptions, Johnson (5.20) | 7th | 42nd |
| Receiving Yards, Johnson (98.7) | 1st | 9th |
| Passing Efficiency, Cole (134.50) | 5th | 23rd |
| Passing Yards, Cole (185.1) | 5th | --- |
| Total Offense, Cole (203.2) | 6th | 50th |
| Punt Returns, Redmon (15.1) | 1st | 10th |
| Kickoff Returns, Mays (24.2) | 5th | 26th |
| Punting, Gruening (46.4) | 1st | 1st |
| Scoring Total, Nystrom (90/9.0) | 3rd | 21st |
| Scoring TDs, Johnson (54/9.0) | 10th | --- |
| TD Receptions, Johnson (9) | 3rd | 8th |
| Scoring Kick, Nystrom (9.0) | 1st | 3rd |
| Field Goals, Nystrom (2.0) | 1st | 3rd |
| Sacks, Riley (8.5) | 1st | --- |
| Tackles for Loss, Riley (16.0) | 1st | --- |
| Tackles for Loss, White (11.0) | 10th | --- |
| Fumbles Recovered, M. White (2) | 3rd (t) | --- |
| Fumbles Forced, Graham (2.0) | 3rd (t) | --- |
| Fumbles Forced, Mezera (2.0) | 3rd (t) | --- |

Minnesota Record in 2000:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Home | 3-2 |
| Road | 2-3 |
| Neutral | 0-0 |
| Turf | 3-3 |
| Grass | 2-2 |
| Ahead at halftime | 5-2 |
| Behind at halftime | 0-3 |
| Tied at halftime | 0-0 |
| Ahead after the third quarter | 5-1 |
| Behind after the third quarter | 0-4 |
| Tied after third quarter | 0-0 |
| Golden Gophers score first | 3-0 |
| Opponent scores first | 2-5 |
| Rush for 150 yards or more | 4-3 |
| Pass for 150 yards or more | 5-4 |
| Total 300 yards or more on offense | 5-5 |
| Score 20 points or more | 5-4 |
| Opp. has less than 150 yards rushing | 5-1 |
| Opp. has less than 150 yards passing | 2-1 |
| Opp. has less than 300 total yards | 4-0 |
| Hold opponent to 20 points or less | 5-0 |
| Fewer turnovers than opponent | 2-1 |
| More turnovers than opponent | 1-3 |
| Turnovers are equal | 1-1 |
| Less penalty yardage than opponent | 0-2 |
| More penalty yardage than opponent | 5-3 |
| Games decided between 1-10 pts. | 1-3 |
| Games decided between 11-20 pts. | 1-1 |
| Games decided by more than 20 pts. | 3-1 |

All About The Numbers!

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THE RED ZONE

| Opp. | No. | TD | FG | Fgm# | TO | Dn* | Pnt | Score % |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| ULM | 6 | 4 | 1 | — | — | 1 | — | .857 |
| Ohio | 2 | — | — | 2 | — | — | — | .000 |
| Baylor | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1# | 1 | — | — | .600 |
| Purdue | 3 | 3 | — | — | — | — | — | 1.000 |
| Illinois | 8 | 4 | 2 | 1# | 1 | — | — | .750 |
| Penn State | 5 | 1 | 4 | — | — | — | — | 1.00 |
| Ohio State | 6 | 3 | 3 | — | — | — | — | 1.000 |
| Indiana | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | — | — | — | .857 |
| NW | 3 | 2 | — | 1 | — | — | — | .666 |
| Wisconsin | 6 | 2 | 2 | 2# | — | — | — | .666 |
| Totals | 51 | 24 | 16 | 5 | 2 | 1 | — | .784 |

(.471 TDs)

Fgm: (field goals missed; #denotes blocked); **TO:** (turnovers);
Dn: (lost ball on downs, *game ends); **Pnt:** (punted)

Minnesota in the Big Ten/NCAA Stats in 2000

| Team Stats (Avg) | Big Ten | NCAA |
|------------------------------------|---------|------|
| Scoring Offense (31.8) | 5th | 28th |
| Rushing Offense (192.1) | 4th | 23rd |
| Pass Efficiency (139.1) | 2nd | 14th |
| Passing Offense (228.5) | 2nd | 46th |
| Total Offense (420.6) | 5th | 23rd |
| Total Defense (371.6) | 5th | 63rd |
| Rushing Defense (174.8) | 8th | 85th |
| Passing Defense Efficiency (115.2) | 6th | 52nd |
| Passing Defense (196.8) | 3rd | 32nd |
| Scoring Defense (25.6) | 8th | 65th |
| Net Punting (41.5) | 2nd | 2nd |
| Punt Returns (14.1) | 1st | 15th |
| Kickoff Returns (19.1) | 8th | 76th |
| Turnover Margin (+1) | 6th | 60th |
| Sacks (23) | 3rd | * |

* not available from the NCAA on a weekly basis

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The Last Time.....

Minnesota Individual Game

250 yards rushing:
 200 yards rushing:
 150 yards rushing:
 100 yards rushing:
 Two players with
 100 yards rushing:
 200 yards receiving:
 100 yards receiving:
 Two receivers with
 100 yards receiving:
 50+ yard pass play:
 10 or more receptions:
 200 all-purpose yards:
 450 yards passing:
 400 yards passing:
 350 yards passing:
 300 yards passing:
 Consecutive 300-yard
 passing games:
 Four TDs rushing:
 Three TDs rushing:
 Five TDs receiving:
 Three TDs receiving:
 Two TDs receiving:
 Six TDs passing:
 Five TDs passing:
 Four TDs passing:
 Three TDs passing:
 Two TDs passing:
 500 yds. total offense:
 400 yds. total offense:
 Five field goals:
 Four field goals:
 Three field goals:
 Two field goals:
 Three interceptions:
 Two interceptions:
 Blocked a punt:
 Blocked a field goal:
 Int. return for TD:
 Punt return for TD:
 Kickoff return for TD:
 Fumble rec. for TD:
 Blocked FG rt. for TD:
 Safety:
 Made two-point conversion:
 Missed two-point conversion:
 Missed PAT:

294. Chris Darkins vs. Purdue, 10/7/95
 211. Tellis Redmon vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 211. Tellis Redmon vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 211. Tellis Redmon vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 174. Thomas Hamner and 111. B. Cockerham vs.
 Indiana, 11/13/99
 228. Ryan Thelwell vs. Ball State, 9/14/96
 111. Ron Johnson vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 120. Jack Brewer and 102. Elvin Jones vs.
 NW, 10/28/00
 79. Travis Cole to Ron Johnson vs. Wis., 11/4/00
 10. Luke Levenson vs. Michigan St., 10/24/98
 226. Tellis Redmon vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 478. Tim Schade vs. Penn State, 9/4/93
 404. Cory Sauter vs. Michigan St., 10/21/95
 368. Cory Sauter vs. Houston, 9/27/97
 368. Cory Sauter vs. Houston, 9/27/97
 2. Cory Sauter vs. Northwestern
 (303, 10/14/94) and Michigan State (404, 10/21/95)
 4. Darell Thompson vs. B. Green, 9/13/86
 3. Thomas Hamner vs. ULM, 9/11/99
 5. Omar Douglas vs. Purdue, 10/9/93
 3. Ryan Thelwell vs. Ball State, 9/16/95
 2. Ron Johnson vs. Penn State, 10/7/00
 6. Scott Eckers vs. Purdue, 10/9/93
 5. Mike Hohensee vs. Ohio State, 11/7/81
 4. Cory Sauter vs. Michigan State, 10/21/95
 3. Asad Abdul-Khalik vs. UL Monroe, 9/2/00
 2. Travis Cole at Ohio State, 10/14/00
 536. Tim Schade vs. Penn State, 9/4/93
 425. Cory Sauter vs. Houston, 9/27/97
 5. Adam Bailey vs. Penn State, 10/18/97
 4. Dan Nystrom vs. Penn State, 10/7/00
 3. Dan Nystrom vs. Indiana, 10/21/00
 2. Dan Nystrom vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 3. Jeff Wright vs. Michigan State, 11/14/70
 2. Rodney Heath vs. Arkansas St., 9/30/95
 Clorenzo Griffin vs. Indiana, 10/21/00
 John Schlecht vs. Indiana, 10/21/00
 Trevis Graham vs. Illinois (71 yards), 9/30/00
 Tellis Redmon vs. NW, 83 yards (10/28/00)
 Jermaine Mays vs. Indiana (100 yards), 10/21/00
 Trevis Graham vs. Michigan (103/1/98)
 Fred Foggie vs. Indiana (98 yards), 10/21/89
 UL Monroe's punt snap went out of the end zone, 9/2/00
 Ryan Keller reception from Abdul-Khalik, 11/4/00
 Indiana, 10/21/00
 Dan Nystrom vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00

Minnesota Team

100 points:
 80 points:
 60 points:
 50 points:
 40 points:
 30 points:
 0 points:
 300 rushing yards:
 200 rushing yards:
 700 total net yards:
 600 total net yards:
 500 total net yards:
 400 total net yards:

146 vs. Grinnell (146-0), 10/22/04
 81 vs. Butler (81-0), 11/13/26
 62 vs. Montana (62-17), 9/21/85
 55 vs. Illinois St. (55-7), 9/18/99
 43 vs. Indiana, 10/21/00
 35 vs. NW, 10/28/00
 vs. Iowa (0-31) 11/22/97
 303 vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 303 vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 742 vs. Ohio, 9/11/82
 616 vs. Purdue, 10/8/94
 546 vs. Illinois, 9/30/00
 490 vs. Wisconsin, 11/4/00

Opponent Individual Game

400 yards passing:
 300 yards passing:
 200 yards passing:
 300 yards rushing:
 250 yards rushing:
 200 yards rushing:
 150 yards rushing:
 100 yards rushing:
 150 yds. in receptions:
 100 yds. in receptions:
 50+ yard rush play:
 50+ yard pass play:
 Four Field Goals:
 Blocked a punt:
 Blocked a field goal:
 Missed PAT:
 Made two-point
 conversion:
 Missed two-point
 conversion:
 Punt return for TD:
 Kickoff return for TD:
 Intercept. rt. for TD:
 Fumble return for TD:
 Fumble rec. for TD:
 Safety:
 Two players with
 100 yards rushing:

409, Drew Brees, Purdue, 9/23/00
 409, Drew Brees, Purdue, 9/23/00
 204, Brooks Bollinger, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 315, Robert Holcombe, Illinois, 11/16/96
 315, Robert Holcombe, Illinois, 11/16/96
 234, Damien Anderson, NW 10/28/00
 234, Damien Anderson, NW 10/28/00
 127, Brooks Bollinger, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 155, Versie Gaddis, 210, 10/21/00
 105. Tim Stratton, Purdue, 9/23/00
 67, Keland Logan, Ohio, 9/9/00
 50, Chris Chambers from Bollinger vs. Wis., 11/4/00
 4, Matt Davenport, Wisconsin, 11/7/98
 Derrick Cash, Baylor, 9/16/00
 Jake Sprague, Wis., 11/4/00
 Michigan, 10/26/96
 Cordell Mitchell pass from Kevin Thompson.
 Penn State, 10/10/98
 Indiana, 10/21/00
 Tim Dwight (44 yards), Iowa, 11/22/97
 Aaron Stecker (100 yards), Wisconsin, 11/11/95
 Mike Echols (56 yards), Wisconsin,
 11/4/00
 Micah Malone (55 yards), Houston, 9/27/97
 Richard Willock, Iowa, recovered fumble in end
 zone, 11/23/96
 Michigan, Cockerham sacked in end zone.
 10/31/98
 Indiana, 10/21/00 (Antwaan Randle El, 210
 and Levron Williams, 134)

Team Opponent

300 yards rushing:
 200 yards rushing:
 < 100 yards rushing:
 400 yards passing:
 300 yards passing:
 < 100 yards passing:
 600 total net yards:
 500 total net yards:
 400 total net yards:
 300 total net yards:
 < 200 total net yards:
 60 or more points:
 50 or more points:
 40 or more points:
 30 or more points:
 0 points:

334, NW, 10/28/00
 216, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 70, Ohio State, 10/14/00
 409, Purdue, 9/23/98
 340, Iowa, 11/20/99
 93, Illinois St., 9/18/99
 611, Indiana, 10/21/00
 543, NW, 10/28/00
 420, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 420, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 179, Baylor, 9/16/00
 63, Oklahoma, (63-0), 9/20/86
 51, Indiana, 10/21/00
 41, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 41, Wisconsin, 11/4/00
 UL Monroe, (35-0), 9/11/99

Note: The names and dates listed entirely in bold indicate marks set this season.

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 Minnesota Overall Team Statistics (as of Nov 05, 2000)
 All games

| TEAM STATISTICS | MINN | OPP |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| SCORING..... | 318 | 256 |
| Points Per Game..... | 31.8 | 25.6 |
| FIRST DOWNS..... | 205 | 205 |
| Rushing..... | 105 | 100 |
| Passing..... | 84 | 81 |
| Penalty..... | 16 | 24 |
| RUSHING YARDAGE..... | 1921 | 1748 |
| Yards gained rushing..... | 2143 | 2126 |
| Yards lost rushing..... | 222 | 378 |
| Rushing Attempts..... | 443 | 434 |
| Average Per Rush..... | 4.3 | 4.0 |
| Average Per Game..... | 192.1 | 174.8 |
| TDs Rushing..... | 17 | 18 |
| PASSING YARDAGE..... | 2285 | 1968 |
| Att-Comp-Int..... | 284-163-8 | 312-158-5 |
| Average Per Pass..... | 8.0 | 6.3 |
| Average Per Catch..... | 14.0 | 12.5 |
| Average Per Game..... | 228.5 | 196.8 |
| TDs Passing..... | 17 | 14 |
| TOTAL OFFENSE..... | 4206 | 3716 |
| Total Plays..... | 727 | 746 |
| Average Per Play..... | 5.8 | 5.0 |
| Average Per Game..... | 420.6 | 371.6 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS: #-YARDS..... | 32-610 | 56-1183 |
| PUNT RETURNS: #-YARDS..... | 31-442 | 21-159 |
| INT RETURNS: #-YARDS..... | 5-151 | 8-132 |
| KICKOFF RETURN AVERAGE..... | 19.1 | 21.1 |
| PUNT RETURN AVERAGE..... | 14.3 | 7.6 |
| INT RETURN AVERAGE..... | 30.2 | 16.5 |
| FUMBLES-LOST..... | 17-8 | 17-12 |
| PENALTIES-YARDS..... | 66-608 | 64-533 |
| Average Per Game..... | 60.8 | 53.3 |
| PUNTS-YARDS..... | 42-1901 | 62-2245 |
| Average Per Punt..... | 45.3 | 36.2 |
| Net punt average..... | 41.5 | 29.1 |
| TIME OF POSSESSION/GAME..... | 28:41 | 31:19 |
| 3RD-DOWN CONVERSIONS..... | 59/153 | 62/164 |
| 3rd-Down Pct..... | 39% | 38% |
| 4TH-DOWN CONVERSIONS..... | 9/12 | 8/17 |
| 4th-Down Pct..... | 75% | 47% |
| SACKS BY-YARDS..... | 23-154 | 19-126 |
| MISC YARDS..... | 18 | 48 |
| TOUCHDOWNS SCORED..... | 37 | 33 |
| FIELD GOALS-ATTEMPTS..... | 20-31 | 10-14 |
| PAT KICKS-ATTEMPTS..... | 30-32 | 28-29 |
| ATTENDANCE..... | 229725 | 295723 |
| Games/Avg Per Game..... | 5/45945 | 5/59145 |

| BY QUARTER | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | Total |
|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Team..... | 66 | 90 | 67 | 95 | - 318 |
| Opponents... | 53 | 61 | 40 | 102 | - 256 |

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 All games

| RUSHING | G | Att | Gain | Loss | Net | Avg | TD | Long | Avg/G |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|------|------|------|----|------|-------|
| Redmon, Tellis | 10 | 225 | 1082 | 57 | 1025 | 4.6 | 6 | 38 | 102.5 |
| Tapeh, Thomas | 7 | 81 | 361 | 17 | 344 | 4.2 | 2 | 37 | 49.1 |
| Abdul-Khaliq, A | 8 | 42 | 252 | 52 | 200 | 4.8 | 4 | 25 | 25.0 |
| Fitzpatrick, R. | 10 | 34 | 151 | 2 | 149 | 4.4 | 1 | 16 | 14.9 |
| Cole, Travis | 8 | 52 | 229 | 84 | 145 | 2.8 | 4 | 28 | 18.1 |
| Mays, Jermaine | 10 | 4 | 39 | 0 | 39 | 9.8 | 0 | 12 | 3.9 |
| Jones, Elvin | 10 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 | 1.2 |
| Patterson, Tony | 8 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 10.0 | 0 | 10 | 1.3 |
| Kamrath, Benji | 2 | 3 | 7 | 10 | -3 | -1.0 | 0 | 7 | -1.5 |
| Total..... | 10 | 443 | 2143 | 222 | 1921 | 4.3 | 17 | 38 | 192.1 |
| Opponents..... | 10 | 434 | 2126 | 378 | 1748 | 4.0 | 18 | 67 | 174.8 |

| PASSING | G | Effc | Att-Cmp-Int | Pct | Yds | TD | Lng | Avg/G |
|-----------------|----|--------|-------------|-------|------|----|-----|-------|
| Cole, Travis | 8 | 134.49 | 185-108-5 | 58.4 | 1481 | 8 | 82 | 185.1 |
| Abdul-Khaliq, A | 8 | 132.86 | 94-51-3 | 54.3 | 676 | 7 | 65 | 84.5 |
| Kamrath, Benji | 2 | 119.87 | 3-2-0 | 66.7 | 19 | 0 | 13 | 9.5 |
| Gruening, P. | 10 | 808.00 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 45 | 1 | 45 | 4.5 |
| Tapeh, Thomas | 7 | 967.60 | 1-1-0 | 100.0 | 64 | 1 | 64 | 9.1 |
| Total..... | 10 | 139.10 | 284-163-8 | 57.4 | 2285 | 17 | 82 | 228.5 |
| Opponents..... | 10 | 115.23 | 312-158-5 | 50.6 | 1968 | 14 | 50 | 196.8 |

| RECEIVING | G | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long | Avg/G |
|-----------------|----|-----|------|------|----|------|-------|
| Johnson, Ron | 10 | 52 | 987 | 19.0 | 9 | 82 | 98.7 |
| Redmon, Tellis | 10 | 26 | 299 | 11.5 | 2 | 61 | 29.9 |
| Brewer, Jack | 10 | 22 | 286 | 13.0 | 0 | 70 | 28.6 |
| Jones, Elvin | 10 | 16 | 204 | 12.8 | 1 | 45 | 20.4 |
| Mays, Jermaine | 10 | 14 | 158 | 11.3 | 0 | 40 | 15.8 |
| Patterson, Tony | 8 | 8 | 101 | 12.6 | 1 | 28 | 12.6 |
| Utecht, Ben | 8 | 5 | 87 | 17.4 | 2 | 39 | 10.9 |
| Keller, Ryan | 10 | 5 | 39 | 7.8 | 0 | 11 | 3.9 |
| Fitzpatrick, R. | 10 | 5 | 27 | 5.4 | 0 | 11 | 2.7 |
| Baugus, Scooter | 8 | 3 | 38 | 12.7 | 1 | 19 | 4.8 |
| Tapeh, Thomas | 7 | 3 | 36 | 12.0 | 1 | 27 | 5.1 |
| Stenzel, Eric | 6 | 2 | 19 | 9.5 | 0 | 13 | 3.2 |
| Burns, Antoine | 3 | 1 | 10 | 10.0 | 0 | 10 | 3.3 |
| Cole, Travis | 8 | 1 | -6 | -6.0 | 0 | 0 | -0.8 |
| Total..... | 10 | 163 | 2285 | 14.0 | 17 | 82 | 228.5 |
| Opponents..... | 10 | 158 | 1968 | 12.5 | 14 | 50 | 196.8 |

| PUNT RETURNS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Redmon, Tellis | 19 | 287 | 15.1 | 1 | 83 |
| Johnson, Ron | 8 | 69 | 8.6 | 0 | 22 |
| Henderson, A. | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 |
| Griffin, C. | 1 | 18 | 18.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mays, Jermaine | 1 | 38 | 38.0 | 0 | 16 |
| Graham, Trevis | 1 | 18 | 18.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total..... | 31 | 442 | 14.3 | 1 | 83 |
| Opponents..... | 21 | 159 | 7.6 | 0 | 20 |

| INTERCEPTIONS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|-----------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Griffin, C. | 2 | 39 | 19.5 | 0 | 32 |
| Middlebrooks, W | 1 | 29 | 29.0 | 0 | 29 |
| Riley, Karon | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 |
| Graham, Trevis | 1 | 71 | 71.0 | 1 | 71 |
| Total..... | 5 | 151 | 30.2 | 1 | 71 |
| Opponents..... | 8 | 132 | 16.5 | 1 | 56 |

| KICK RETURNS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|-----------------|-----|------|------|----|------|
| Mays, Jermaine | 19 | 460 | 24.2 | 1 | 100 |
| Brewer, Jack | 4 | 94 | 23.5 | 0 | 31 |
| Redmon, Tellis | 2 | 8 | 4.0 | 0 | 6 |
| Archer, Phil | 2 | 15 | 7.5 | 0 | 10 |
| Kwapinski, Dan | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Johnson, Ron | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 0 | 11 |
| Burns, Antoine | 1 | 9 | 9.0 | 0 | 16 |
| Keller, Ryan | 1 | 13 | 13.0 | 0 | 13 |
| Baugus, Scooter | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total..... | 32 | 610 | 19.1 | 1 | 100 |
| Opponents..... | 56 | 1183 | 21.1 | 0 | 93 |

| FUMBLE RETURNS | No. | Yds | Avg | TD | Long |
|----------------|-----|-----|------|----|------|
| Graham, Trevis | 2 | 3 | 1.5 | 0 | 4 |
| Jones, Delvin | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 0 | 15 |
| Total..... | 3 | 18 | 6.0 | 0 | 15 |
| Opponents..... | 1 | 48 | 48.0 | 0 | 48 |

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| TOTAL OFFENSE | G | Plays | Rush | Pass | Total | Avg/G | SCORING | TD | FGs | PATs | | | | DXP | Saf | Pts |
|-----------------|----|-------|------|------|-------|-------|-----------------|----|-------|-------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|
| | | | | | | | | | | Kick | Rush | Rcv | Pass | | | |
| Cole, Travis | 8 | 237 | 145 | 1481 | 1626 | 203.3 | Nystrom, Dan | 0 | 20-31 | 30-32 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 90 |
| Redmon, Tellis | 10 | 225 | 1025 | 0 | 1025 | 102.5 | Redmon, Tellis | 9 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 54 |
| Abdul-Khaliq, A | 8 | 136 | 200 | 676 | 876 | 109.5 | Johnson, Ron | 9 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 54 |
| Tapeh, Thomas | 7 | 82 | 344 | 64 | 408 | 58.3 | Abdul-Khaliq, A | 4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1-1 | 0 | 0 | - 24 |
| Fitzpatrick, R. | 10 | 34 | 149 | 0 | 149 | 14.9 | Cole, Travis | 4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1-3 | 0 | 0 | - 24 |
| Gruening, P. | 10 | 1 | 0 | 45 | 45 | 4.5 | Tapeh, Thomas | 3 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 18 |
| Mays, Jermaine | 10 | 4 | 39 | 0 | 39 | 3.9 | Utecht, Ben | 2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 12 |
| Kamrath, Benji | 2 | 6 | -3 | 19 | 16 | 8.0 | Mays, Jermaine | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| Jones, Elvin | 10 | 1 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 1.2 | Jones, Elvin | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| Patterson, Tony | 8 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 10 | 1.3 | Patterson, Tony | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| Total..... | 10 | 727 | 1921 | 2285 | 4206 | 420.6 | Graham, Trevis | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| Opponents..... | 10 | 746 | 1748 | 1968 | 3716 | 371.6 | Fitzpatrick, R. | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| | | | | | | | Baugus, Scooter | 1 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 6 |
| | | | | | | | Keller, Ryan | 0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | - 4 |
| | | | | | | | Team | 0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | - 2 |
| | | | | | | | Total..... | 37 | 20-31 | 30-32 | 0-0 | 2 | 2-4 | 0 | 1 | - 318 |
| | | | | | | | Opponents..... | 33 | 10-14 | 28-29 | 0-0 | 0 | 0-3 | 0 | 0 | - 256 |

| ALL PURPOSE | G | Rush | Rec | PR | KOR | IR | FR | Tot | Avg/G |
|-----------------|----|------|------|-----|------|-----|----|------|-------|
| Redmon, Tellis | 10 | 1025 | 299 | 287 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 1619 | 161.9 |
| Johnson, Ron | 10 | 0 | 987 | 69 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1067 | 106.7 |
| Mays, Jermaine | 10 | 39 | 158 | 38 | 460 | 0 | 0 | 695 | 69.5 |
| Brewer, Jack | 10 | 0 | 286 | 0 | 94 | 0 | 0 | 380 | 38.0 |
| Tapeh, Thomas | 7 | 344 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 380 | 54.3 |
| Jones, Elvin | 10 | 12 | 204 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 216 | 21.6 |
| Abdul-Khaliq, A | 8 | 200 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 200 | 25.0 |
| Fitzpatrick, R. | 10 | 149 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 176 | 17.6 |
| Cole, Travis | 8 | 145 | -6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 139 | 17.4 |
| Patterson, Tony | 8 | 10 | 101 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 111 | 13.9 |
| Graham, Trevis | 10 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 71 | 3 | 92 | 9.2 |
| Utecht, Ben | 8 | 0 | 87 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 87 | 10.9 |
| Griffin, C. | 10 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 57 | 5.7 |
| Keller, Ryan | 10 | 0 | 39 | 0 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 52 | 5.2 |
| Baugus, Scooter | 8 | 0 | 38 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38 | 4.8 |
| Middlebrooks, W | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 29 | 0 | 29 | 3.6 |
| Burns, Antoine | 3 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 6.3 |
| Stenzel, Eric | 6 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 3.2 |
| Archer, Phil | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 1.5 |
| Jones, Delvin | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 15 | 1.5 |
| Riley, Karon | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 12 | 1.2 |
| Henderson, A. | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 12.0 |
| Kamrath, Benji | 2 | -3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -3 | -1.5 |
| Total..... | 10 | 1921 | 2285 | 442 | 610 | 151 | 18 | 5427 | 542.7 |
| Opponents..... | 10 | 1748 | 1968 | 159 | 1183 | 132 | 48 | 5238 | 523.8 |

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| DEFENSIVE LEADERS | GP | -----Tackles----- | | | | -Sacks- | | ---Pass Def--- | | | -Fumbles- | | Blkd | |
|--------------------|----|-------------------|-----|-------|---------|----------|---------|----------------|-----|---------|-----------|------|------|--|
| | | UT | AT | Total | ForLoss | No-Yards | Int-Yds | BrUp | QBH | Rcv-Yds | FF | Kick | Saf | |
| 21 Jones, Delvin | 10 | 58 | 21 | 79 | . | . | . | 1 | . | 1-15 | 1 | . | . | |
| 26 Griffin, C. | 10 | 64 | 7 | 71 | 1-3 | . | 2-39 | 2 | . | 1-0 | 1 | . | . | |
| 50 White, Greg | 10 | 43 | 17 | 60 | 12-43 | 5-26 | . | 4 | 5 | 1-0 | 1 | . | . | |
| 9 Poole, Curtese | 10 | 41 | 12 | 53 | 2-11 | . | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 97 Mezera, Ben | 10 | 35 | 13 | 48 | 5-23 | 2-16 | . | . | 1 | . | 2 | . | . | |
| 13 Graham, Trevis | 10 | 43 | 3 | 46 | 2-6 | 1-4 | 1-71 | 5 | . | 1-3 | 2 | 1 | . | |
| 93 Schlecht, John | 10 | 32 | 12 | 44 | 11-30 | 1-3 | . | 3 | . | . | 1 | 1 | . | |
| 91 Riley, Karon | 10 | 34 | 10 | 44 | 16-94 | 9-78 | 1-12 | 3 | 5 | 1-0 | 1 | . | . | |
| 45 Hoffman, Sean | 10 | 28 | 15 | 43 | 3-14 | 1-9 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 39 Lehan, Mike | 10 | 33 | 3 | 36 | . | . | . | 8 | . | 1-0 | . | . | . | |
| 42 Middlebrooks, W | 8 | 30 | 3 | 33 | 1-3 | . | 1-29 | 7 | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 99 Anderle, Matt | 10 | 17 | 12 | 29 | 2-9 | 1-4 | . | 7 | . | 1-0 | . | 1 | . | |
| 92 White, Maurice | 8 | 15 | 11 | 26 | 2-13 | 1-11 | . | 1 | . | 2-0 | . | . | . | |
| 38 Hall, Justin | 10 | 18 | 7 | 25 | 1-10 | 1-10 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 24 Brown, Andre | 10 | 22 | 2 | 24 | . | . | . | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 6 Henry, Jimmy | 9 | 14 | 6 | 20 | 1-6 | 1-6 | . | 2 | . | . | 1 | . | . | |
| 40 Lee, Eric | 7 | 11 | 2 | 13 | . | . | . | 1 | . | 1-0 | . | . | . | |
| 2 Brewer, Jack | 10 | 7 | 5 | 12 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 27 Ward, Eli | 9 | 5 | 1 | 6 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 33 Fitzpatrick, R. | 10 | 5 | 1 | 6 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 87 Kwapinski, Dan | 8 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 1-9 | 1-9 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 53 Bell, DaVonta | 3 | 3 | 1 | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 58 Zemke, Val | 7 | 3 | 1 | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 35 Toussaint, M. | 7 | 4 | . | 4 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 48 Osei, Astein | 3 | 2 | 1 | 3 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 15 Mays, Jermaine | 10 | 2 | . | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | 1-0 | . | 1 | . | |
| 90 Dehnicke, Drew | 5 | 2 | . | 2 | 1-18 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 31 Archer, Phil | 10 | 1 | 1 | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 1 Keller, Ryan | 10 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 3 Johnson, Ron | 10 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 96 Sykora, Dave | 2 | . | 1 | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| 55 Hamilton, Ben | 9 | 1 | . | 1 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | |
| TM Team | 2 | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | . | 1 | |
| Total..... | 10 | 576 | 172 | 748 | 61-292 | 24-176 | 5-151 | 50 | 11 | 11-18 | 10 | 4 | 1 | |
| Opponents..... | 10 | - | - | - | - | 20-131 | 8-132 | 28 | . | 8-48 | 13 | 3 | . | |