

2014-15 Timberwolves Schedule

| Date | Opponent | Time/Score |
|-------|------------------|------------|
| 10/29 | at Memphis | L101-105 |
| 10/30 | Detroit | W 97- 91 |
| 11/1 | Chicago | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/5 | at Brooklyn | 6:30 p.m. |
| 11/7 | at Orlando | 6:00 p.m. |
| 11/8 | at Miami | 6:30 p.m. |
| 11/12 | Houston (M) | 9:00 p.m. |
| 11/14 | at New Orleans | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/15 | at Dallas | 7:30 p.m. |
| 11/19 | New York | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/21 | San Antonio | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/22 | Sacramento | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/26 | Milwaukee | 7:00 p.m. |
| 11/28 | at L.A. Lakers | 9:30 p.m. |
| 11/30 | at Portland | 8:00 p.m. |
| 12/1 | at L.A. Clippers | 9:30 p.m. |
| 12/3 | Philadelphia | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12/5 | Houston | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12/6 | at San Antonio | 7:30 p.m. |
| 12/8 | Golden State | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12/10 | Portland | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12/12 | Oklahoma City | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12/14 | L.A. Lakers | 6:00 p.m. |
| 12/16 | at Washington | 6:00 p.m. |
| 12/19 | at Boston | 6:30 p.m. |
| 12/21 | Indiana | 6:00 p.m. |
| 12/23 | at Cleveland | 6:00 p.m. |
| 12/26 | at Denver | 8:00 p.m. |
| 12/27 | at Golden State | 9:30 p.m. |
| 12/30 | at Utah | 8:00 p.m. |
| 1/1 | Sacramento | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/3 | Utah | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/5 | Denver | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/7 | Phoenix | 8:30 p.m. |
| 1/9 | at Milwaukee | 7:30 p.m. |
| 1/10 | San Antonio | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/13 | at Indiana | 6:00 p.m. |
| 1/16 | at Phoenix | 8:00 p.m. |
| 1/17 | at Denver | 8:00 p.m. |
| 1/19 | at Charlotte | 1:00 p.m. |
| 1/21 | Dallas | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/23 | New Orleans | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/25 | at Atlanta | 5:00 p.m. |
| 1/26 | at Oklahoma City | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/28 | Boston | 7:00 p.m. |
| 1/30 | at Philadelphia | 6:00 p.m. |
| 1/31 | Cleveland | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/2 | at Dallas | 7:30 p.m. |
| 2/4 | Miami | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/6 | Memphis | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/8 | at Detroit | 5:00 p.m. |
| 2/9 | Atlanta | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/11 | Golden State | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/20 | Phoenix | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/23 | at Houston | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/25 | Washington | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/27 | at Chicago | 7:00 p.m. |
| 2/28 | Memphis | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/2 | L.A. Clippers | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/4 | Denver | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/7 | Portland | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/9 | at L.A. Clippers | 9:30 p.m. |
| 3/11 | at Phoenix | 9:00 p.m. |
| 3/13 | at Oklahoma City | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/15 | at San Antonio | 6:00 p.m. |
| 3/16 | Brooklyn | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/18 | at Toronto | 6:30 p.m. |
| 3/19 | at New York | 6:30 p.m. |
| 3/22 | Charlotte | 6:00 p.m. |
| 3/23 | at Utah | 8:00 p.m. |
| 3/25 | L.A. Lakers | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/27 | at Houston | 7:00 p.m. |
| 3/29 | at New Orleans | 3:00 p.m. |
| 3/30 | Utah | 7:00 p.m. |
| 4/1 | Toronto | 7:00 p.m. |
| 4/3 | Orlando | 7:00 p.m. |
| 4/7 | at Sacramento | 9:00 p.m. |
| 4/8 | at Portland | 9:00 p.m. |
| 4/10 | at L.A. Lakers | 9:30 p.m. |
| 4/11 | at Golden State | 9:30 p.m. |
| 4/13 | New Orleans | 7:00 p.m. |
| 4/15 | Oklahoma City | 7:00 p.m. |

(all times Central)

Minnesota Timberwolves (1-1) vs. Chicago Bulls (1-0)

Game #3, Home Game #2

Target Center

November 1, 2014 at 7:00 PM CDT

TV: Fox Sports North Plus / NBA TV

Radio: WCCO (830 AM)

Probable Starters:

| Pos. | No. | Player | Ht. | Wt. | 2014-15 Averages |
|------|-----|----------------|------|-----|-------------------------------------|
| F | 22 | Andrew Wiggins | 6-8 | 199 | 7.0 pts (42.9%), 3.5 reb, 1.50 stl |
| F | 33 | Thaddeus Young | 6-8 | 221 | 22.5 pts (54.8%), 4.5 reb, 2.50 stl |
| C | 14 | Nikola Pekovic | 6-11 | 295 | 11.0 pts (40.9%), 9.0 reb, 0.5 ast |
| G | 13 | Corey Brewer | 6-9 | 186 | 7.0 pts (38.5%), 4.0 reb, 1.50 stl |
| G | 9 | Ricky Rubio | 6-4 | 192 | 11.5 pts (40.9%), 6.5 reb, 7.5 ast |

Injury Report:

Guard Kevin Martin: Made his season debut Thursday vs. Detroit, having missed Wednesday's game at Memphis due to soreness in his left ankle.

Center Ronny Turiaf: Has been sidelined for the first two games due to soreness in his right hip, and is listed as questionable for tonight's contest.

Recent Transactions:

Oct. 27: Waived guard J.J. Barea.

Oct. 25: Waived guard Brady Heslip.

Oct. 20: Waived center Kyrlo Fesenko.

Oct. 19: Exercised the 2015-16 contract options on center Gorgui Dieng and forwards Anthony Bennett and Shabazz Muhammad.

Sept. 18: Signed free-agent center Kyrlo Fesenko and free-agent guard Brady Heslip to one-year contracts.

Sept. 17: Signed rookie forward Glenn Robinson III (2nd round, 40th overall) to a one-year contract.

Aug. 23: Acquired forward Thaddeus Young from Philadelphia and forwards Anthony Bennett and Andrew Wiggins from Cleveland in a three-team trade. The Cavaliers received forward Kevin Love from Minnesota, and the 76ers received forward Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté and guard Alexey Shved from Minnesota and a 2015 1st-round draft pick from Cleveland.

Records:

| | Record | Home | Road | Overtime |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| OVERALL | 1-1 (.500) | 1-0 (1.000) | 0-1 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Atlantic | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Southeast | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Central | 1-0 (1.000) | 1-0 (1.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| EASTERN | 1-0 (1.000) | 1-0 (1.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Northwest | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Southwest | 0-1 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-1 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| Pacific | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |
| WESTERN | 0-1 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) | 0-1 (.000) | 0-0 (.000) |

STREAKS:

Overall: Won 1

Home: Won 1

Road: Lost 1

Next 5 Games:

(all times Central)

| Date | Opponent | Time | TV | Radio |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|------|-------|
| Wednesday, Nov. 5 | at Brooklyn Nets | 6:30 p.m. | FSN | WCCO |
| Friday, Nov. 7 | at Orlando Magic | 6:00 p.m. | FSN | WCCO |
| Saturday, Nov. 8 | at Miami Heat | 6:30 p.m. | FSN | WCCO |
| Wednesday, Nov. 12 | vs. Houston Rockets (Mexico City) | 9:00 p.m. | ESPN | WCCO |
| Friday, Nov. 14 | at New Orleans Pelicans | 7:00 p.m. | FSN | WCCO |

| Min | Four Factors | Det |
|------|---------------------|------|
| .513 | Effective FG% | .456 |
| .133 | TO Percentage | .127 |
| .238 | Off. Rebound % | .298 |
| .250 | FT Made / FG Att. | .088 |
| Min | Scoring | Det |
| 14 | Points off TOs | 15 |
| 36 | Points in the Paint | 40 |
| 21 | 2nd-Chance Points | 15 |
| 11 | Fast Break Points | 7 |

Last Game: Thursday, Oct. 30 – Minnesota 97, Detroit 91

Thaddeus Young scored 19 points, including the tie-breaking 3-pointer with 1:28, as the Timberwolves squandered a 19-point lead before holding off Detroit, 97-91, on Thursday night at Target Center. Neither team led by more than four points in the first half, battling to a 21-21 tie after one quarter and exchanging the lead nine times in the second period. A pair of late D.J. Augustin baskets put the Pistons in front before Young answered to give Minnesota a 45-44 halftime edge. The Wolves then outscored Detroit 27-7 to begin the third quarter, punctuated by Young's basket at the 4:56 mark that made it 70-51. Caron Butler's last-second trey narrowed it to 75-65, and Butler proceeded to score Detroit's first nine points of the fourth period before Andre Drummond capped the 26-8 rally that drew the Pistons to within 80-79 with 6:51 left. Detroit finally caught the Wolves at 88-88 on another Butler 3-pointer with 1:43 remaining, but Young countered and Mo Williams added a short jumper to make it a five-point cushion. Nikola Pekovic added 17 points and 10 rebounds for Minnesota, while Butler led the Piston with 24 points and Augustin netted 20.

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Previous Game: Wednesday, Oct. 29 – Memphis 105, Minnesota 101

Marc Gasol scored a career-high 32 points and Zach Randolph added 25 points and 13 rebounds as Memphis edged the Timberwolves, 105-101, on Wednesday night at the FedExForum. The Grizzlies bolted to a 20-11 lead before Thaddeus Young's 3-pointer triggered a 16-5 finish that put Minnesota on top after one quarter. Gasol had 13 points in the second period and a late Quincy Pondexter trey sent Memphis into halftime leading 53-47. The Grizzlies built their largest margin when Mike Conley made it 75-65 with 3:30 left in the third quarter, and Gasol opened the fourth-quarter scoring to keep Memphis in front by nine. However, Anthony Bennett and Shabazz Muhammad combined for nine unanswered points, with Bennett's jumper at the 7:00 mark giving the Wolves a brief 87-85 lead. Young put Minnesota on top for the final time at 96-94 with 3:00 to play before Conley ignited a 7-0 response, and after Mo Williams' 3-pointer narrowed the gap to 101-99, Gasol and Vince Carter sealed it from the free throw line. Young finished with 26 points for Minnesota while Williams and Muhammad added 18 and 13 points, respectively.

| Min | Four Factors | Mem |
|------|---------------------|------|
| .488 | Effective FG% | .549 |
| .230 | TO Percentage | .174 |
| .452 | Off. Rebound % | .263 |
| .198 | FT Made / FG Att. | .183 |
| Min | Scoring | Mem |
| 21 | Points off TOs | 21 |
| 34 | Points in the Paint | 58 |
| 17 | 2nd-Chance Points | 15 |
| 15 | Fast Break Points | 13 |

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Tonight's Opponent: Chicago Bulls

2014 Preseason vs. Chicago (1-0)

Friday, Oct. 24 at St. Louis, MO W113-112

2013-14 vs. Chicago (1-1)

Monday, Jan. 27 at Chicago W95-86

Wednesday, Apr. 9 at Minnesota L87-102

The victory last Jan. 27 ended the Wolves' seven-game series losing streak. Minnesota edged Chicago last Friday in its preseason finale.

First Meeting: Nate Robinson's 18 points led five double-figure scorers as Chicago halted the Timberwolves' three-game winning streak with an 87-80 decision on Nov. 10 at the United Center. Joakim Noah tallied 17 points and Luol Deng chipped in 16 for the Bulls, while Nikola Pekovic led Minnesota with 18 points and Andrei Kirilenko totaled 11 points, 12 rebounds and seven assists.

Second Meeting: D.J. Augustin came off the bench to score 21 points and Joakim Noah registered his fourth triple-double of the season (15 points, 13 rebounds, 10 assists) as Chicago pulled away to a 102-87 win over the Timberwolves on Apr. 9 at Target Center. Kevin Love paced Minnesota with 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Ricky Rubio contributed 15 points and six assists.

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Next Opponent: Brooklyn Nets – Wednesday, Nov. 5 at the Barclays Center

| Series Capsule: | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| Timberwolves vs. Nets | |
| All-Time Results: | Current Streaks: |
| Overall..... 26-21 | Overall Lost 1 |
| in Minnesota..... 18-5 | Home..... Won 1 |
| in N.J./Brooklyn..... 8-16 | Road..... Lost 1 |
| Preseason..... 0-3 | |
| Last Win: 111-81 at Minnesota (11/22/13) | |
| Last Loss: 99-114 at Brooklyn (3/30/14) | |
| Biggest Win: 30 – 111-81 at Minnesota (11/22/13) | |
| Biggest Loss: 29 – 84-113 at New Jersey (12/5/08) | |

2013-14 vs. Brooklyn (1-1)

Friday, Nov. 22 at Minnesota W111-81
 Sunday, Mar. 30 at Brooklyn L99-114

Minnesota is 7-3 in its past 10 meetings vs. the Nets. The 30-point win last Nov. 22 at Target Center is the Wolves' largest ever in the series.

First Meeting: Kevin Love totaled 17 points and 16 rebounds in three quarters as the Timberwolves rolled past Brooklyn, 111-81, on Nov. 22 at Target Center. Kevin Martin finished with 17 points while Corey Brewer and Nikola Pekovic contributed 15 apiece for Minnesota. Andray Blatche's 16 points led the Nets and Joe Johnson scored 15.

Second Meeting: Paul Pierce scored 16 of his 22 points in the opening quarter as Brooklyn tied a club record by notching its 13th straight home victory with a 114-99 decision over the Wolves on Mar. 30 at the Barclays Center. Joe Johnson finished with 19 points for the Nets. Corey Brewer and Kevin Martin tallied 21 points apiece for Minnesota, while Ricky Rubio dished 12 assists.

2012-13 vs. Brooklyn (1-1)

Monday, Nov. 5 at Brooklyn W107-96
 Wednesday, Jan. 23 at Minnesota L83-91

Minnesota Timberwolves 2014-15 Roster

| No. | Player | Pos. | Ht. | Wt. | Birthdate | Prior to NBA / Country | Exp |
|-----|--------------------|------|------|-----|-----------|----------------------------|-----|
| 24 | Anthony Bennett | F | 6-8 | 245 | 03/14/93 | UNLV / Canada | 1 |
| 13 | Corey Brewer | G | 6-9 | 186 | 03/05/86 | Florida / USA | 7 |
| 10 | Chase Budinger | F | 6-7 | 209 | 05/22/88 | Arizona / USA | 5 |
| 5 | Gorgui Dieng | C | 6-11 | 233 | 01/18/90 | Louisville / Sénégal | 1 |
| 4 | Robbie Hummel | F | 6-9 | 219 | 03/08/89 | Purdue / USA | 1 |
| 8 | Zach LaVine | G | 6-5 | 183 | 03/10/95 | UCLA / USA | R |
| 23 | Kevin Martin | G | 6-7 | 204 | 02/01/83 | Western Carolina / USA | 10 |
| 15 | Shabazz Muhammad | F | 6-6 | 227 | 11/13/92 | UCLA / USA | 1 |
| 14 | Nikola Pekovic | C | 6-11 | 295 | 01/03/86 | Panathinaikos / Montenegro | 4 |
| 1 | Glenn Robinson III | F | 6-7 | 222 | 01/08/94 | Michigan / USA | R |
| 9 | Ricky Rubio | G | 6-4 | 192 | 10/21/90 | FC Barcelona / Spain | 3 |
| 32 | Ronny Turiaf | C | 6-10 | 249 | 01/13/83 | Gonzaga / France | 9 |
| 22 | Andrew Wiggins | F | 6-8 | 199 | 02/23/95 | Kansas / Canada | R |
| 25 | Mo Williams | G | 6-1 | 198 | 12/19/82 | Alabama / USA | 11 |
| 33 | Thaddeus Young | F | 6-8 | 221 | 06/21/88 | Georgia Tech / USA | 7 |

Head Coach: Flip Saunders (Minnesota)
Assistant Coaches: Sam Mitchell (Mercer)
 Sidney Lowe (North Carolina State)
 Ryan Saunders (Minnesota)
 David Adelman (Portland State)
Athletic Trainer: Gregg Farnam (St. Cloud State)

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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE:

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|------------------|--------------------------|
| Chase Budinger | BUD-ing-er |
| Gorgui Dieng | GOR-ghee Jeng |
| Zach LaVine | Luh-VEEN |
| Shabazz Muhammad | Shuh-BOZZ |
| Nikola Pekovic | NEE-koh-lah PEK-oh-vitch |
| Ronny Turiaf | ROH-nee Tur-ee-OFF |

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ROSTER NOTES: On Oct. 27, the Timberwolves announced their 15-man Opening Night roster, having reached the limit by waiving guard J.J. Barea... Previously, Minnesota had waived guard Brady Heslip (Oct. 25) and center Kyrlo Fesenko (Oct. 20), after starting training camp with an 18-player roster... Of the 15 players who finished 2013-14 on the Timberwolves roster, nine are back this year... Six new faces dot Minnesota's roster, including free-agent signee Mo Williams... Anthony Bennett, Andrew Wiggins and Thaddeus Young were acquired in a three-team trade involving Cleveland and Philadelphia on Aug. 23... Three rookies are on the roster; Wiggins was chosen 1st overall by the Cavaliers in the 2014 NBA Draft, while Minnesota used its own selections to tab Zach LaVine (1st round, 13th overall) and Glenn Robinson III (2nd round, 40th overall)... Last October, the Wolves returned nine of 15 players from their 2012-13 roster; they kept only seven of 15 players from 2011-12 to 2012-13... The current roster averages 4.0 years of NBA experience and has an average age of 25.6 years; last year's Opening Night group was at 3.7 and 26.0, respectively (3.6 and 26.5 in 2012-13)... Nikola Pekovic takes over atop the seniority list, beginning his fifth season in Minnesota; Ricky Rubio enters year number four...

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HOW THE WOLVES WERE BUILT: A breakdown of Minnesota's 2014 Opening Night roster:

June 27, 2008 – **Nikola Pekovic**, NBA Draft (2nd round, 31st overall)
 June 25, 2009 – **Ricky Rubio**, NBA Draft (1st round, 5th overall)
 June 26, 2012 – **Chase Budinger**, acquired via trade from Houston
 June 28, 2012 – **Robbie Hummel**, NBA Draft (2nd round, 58th overall)
 June 27, 2013 – **Shabazz Muhammad**, acquired via trade from Utah
 June 27, 2013 – **Gorgui Dieng**, acquired via trade from Utah
 July 11, 2013 – **Kevin Martin**, acquired via trade from Oklahoma City
 July 12, 2013 – **Corey Brewer**, signed as unrestricted free agent
 July 18, 2013 – **Ronny Turiaf**, signed as unrestricted free agent
 June 26, 2014 – **Zach LaVine**, NBA Draft (1st round, 13th overall)
 June 26, 2014 – **Glenn Robinson III**, NBA Draft (2nd round, 40th overall)
 July 30, 2014 – **Mo Williams**, signed as unrestricted free agent
 Aug. 23, 2014 – **Thaddeus Young**, acquired via trade from Philadelphia
 Aug. 23, 2014 – **Anthony Bennett**, acquired via trade from Cleveland
 Aug. 23, 2014 – **Andrew Wiggins**, acquired via trade from Cleveland

Miscellaneous Team Notes:

2014-15 STARTING LINEUPS:

| Game #s | Forward | Forward | Center | Guard | Guard | Record |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|--------|--------|
| 1-2 | Wiggins | Young | Pekovic | Rubio | Brewer | 1-1 |

2014-15 TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (through Oct. 30):

| | TIMES LED TEAM | | | DOUBLE FIGURES | | | | | DOUBLE-DOUBLES | |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----|-----|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------------|-----|
| | Pts | Reb | Ast | 10+ | 20+ | 30+ | 10+ | 10+ | Pt/ | Pt/ |
| | | | | Pts | Pts | Pts | Reb | Ast | Reb | Ast |
| Anthony Bennett..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Corey Brewer..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chase Budinger..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Zach LaVine..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kevin Martin..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Glenn Robinson III..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ricky Rubio..... | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Andrew Wiggins..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mo Williams..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Thaddeus Young..... | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves are...

- 0-1 when scoring 100+ points
- 1-0 when scoring less than 100 points
- 1-1 when shooting 45%+
- 0-0 when shooting less than 45%
- 0-1 when allowing 100+ points
- 1-0 when allowing less than 100 points
- 0-1 when allowing 45%+
- 1-0 when allowing less than 45%
- 1-0 when outshooting their foe or even
- 0-1 when being outshot
- 0-1 when outrebounding their foe or tied
- 1-0 when being outrebounded
- 1-0 when committing <16 TOs
- 0-1 when committing 16+ TOs
- 1-0 when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- 0-1 when trailing after 3 quarters
- 0-0 in games decided by 10+ points
- 1-1 in games decided by <10 points

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DUNK-O-METER: Wolves players' dunk totals for 2014-15 (thru Oct. 30):

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Anthony Bennett..... | 2 |
| Corey Brewer..... | 1 |
| Chase Budinger..... | 0 |
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 0 |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 0 |
| Zach LaVine..... | 0 |
| Kevin Martin..... | 0 |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 0 |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 0 |
| Glenn Robinson III..... | 0 |
| Ricky Rubio..... | 0 |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 0 |
| Andrew Wiggins..... | 0 |
| Mo Williams..... | 0 |
| Thaddeus Young..... | 0 |

ROOKIE ROUNDUP: Andrew Wiggins made his Wolves debut by starting and scoring six points with two steals on Wednesday at Memphis, and followed up with eight points and four rebounds in Thursday's win over Detroit. A look at of the NBA's rookie class of 2014-15 (through Oct. 30):

| # | Name | Team | G | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | Blk | Pts |
|-----|----------------------------|------------|----------|-------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|
| 11. | Doug McDermott..... | CHI | 1 | 24.0 | .556 | .400 | .000 | 5.0 | 2.0 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 12.0 |
| 6. | Marcus Smart..... | BOS | 1 | 28.0 | .429 | .250 | 1.000 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 4.00 | 0.00 | 10.0 |
| 8. | Nik Stauskas..... | SAC | 1 | 26.0 | .300 | .286 | 1.000 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.0 |
| -- | Kostas Papanikolaou..... | HOU | 2 | 21.0 | .462 | .500 | .000 | 4.0 | 4.0 | 1.50 | 0.50 | 8.0 |
| 60. | Cory Jefferson..... | BKN | 1 | 9.0 | 1.000 | .000 | .667 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8.0 |
| 2. | Jabari Parker..... | MIL | 1 | 37.0 | .333 | .000 | 1.000 | 4.0 | 1.0 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 8.0 |
| 4. | Aaron Gordon..... | ORL | 2 | 23.0 | .583 | .333 | .000 | 3.5 | 0.5 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 7.5 |
| 1. | Andrew Wiggins..... | MIN | 2 | 21.0 | .429 | 1.000 | .200 | 3.5 | 1.0 | 1.50 | 0.00 | 7.0 |
| -- | Bojan Bogdanovic..... | BKN | 1 | 26.0 | .500 | .500 | .000 | 0.0 | 2.0 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 7.0 |
| 46. | Jordan Clarkson..... | LAL | 2 | 18.0 | .300 | .500 | .833 | 3.0 | 2.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 6.0 |
| -- | Nerlens Noel..... | PHI | 1 | 35.0 | .182 | .000 | .333 | 10.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 3.00 | 6.0 |
| -- | James Ennis..... | MIA | 1 | 15.0 | .500 | .000 | 1.000 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.0 |
| -- | Nikola Mirotic..... | CHI | 1 | 15.0 | .500 | .500 | 1.000 | 7.0 | 1.0 | 1.00 | 0.00 | 5.0 |
| 16. | Jusuf Nurkic..... | DEN | 1 | 13.0 | .500 | .000 | .500 | 7.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 5.0 |
| 5. | Dante Exum..... | UTA | 2 | 14.5 | .429 | .250 | .000 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 3.5 |

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INSIDE THE BOX SCORE: Minnesota piled up a 47-33 rebounding edge over the Grizzlies on Wednesday, *its largest advantage ever on Opening Night*. The Wolves collected 14 of their 19 offensive boards in the 1st half, their highest total for any half since grabbing 15 in the 1st half vs. Golden State on Feb. 27, 2011. A look at some of Minnesota's key figures to date (through Oct. 30):

| | FG Pct. | FTAs | Reb | TO | Pts off TOs | Paint Pts | Fast Break | 2nd Chance | Bench Pts |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <i>Last 2 Games</i> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Margin</u> | <u>Margin</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> | <u>Min-Opp</u> |
| 10/29 @ Memphis | 45.3%-52.4% | 23-20 | Min +14 | Min -6 | 21-21 | 34-58 | 15-13 | 17-15 | 46-10 |
| 10/30 vs. Detroit | 48.7%-41.8% | 28-13 | Min -3 | Even | 14-15 | 36-40 | 11- 7 | 21-15 | 34-50 |
| Season Averages | 46.9%-46.8% | 25.5-16.5 | Min +5.5 | Min -3.0 | 17.5-18.0 | 35.0-49.0 | 13.0-10.0 | 19.0-15.0 | 40.0-30.0 |

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2014-15 TIMBERWOLVES PLUS/MINUS REPORT:

| <i>Last 2 Games</i> | Wolves | Bennett | Brewer | Budinger | Dieng | LaVine | Martin | Muhammad | Pekovic | Rubio | Wiggins | Williams | Young |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| 10/29 @ Memphis | L4 | +2 | -16 | -1 | +13 | DNP | INJ | +4 | -17 | -5 | -4 | +10 | -6 |
| 10/30 vs. Detroit | W6 | -9 | +9 | DNP | -5 | -3 | -8 | 0 | +11 | +4 | +13 | +3 | +15 |
| Season Totals: | +2 | -7 | -7 | -1 | +8 | -3 | -8 | +4 | -6 | -1 | +9 | +13 | +9 |
| Per Game: | +1.0 | -3.5 | -3.5 | -1.0 | +4.0 | -3.0 | -8.0 | +2.0 | -3.0 | -0.5 | +4.5 | +6.5 | +4.5 |
| Per 48 Minutes: | +1.0 | -12.1 | -6.0 | -3.2 | +10.5 | -31.5 | -18.8 | +5.5 | -4.8 | -0.7 | +10.2 | +12.4 | +6.3 |

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WARMING TREND: The Wolves were limited to 36.8% accuracy (7-for-19) in the 1st quarter on Thursday vs. Detroit, but picked up to 52.6% (30-for-57) over the final three periods. In Wednesday's opener at Memphis, they shot just 38.3% (18-for-47) in the 1st half before firing at a 53.8% clip (21-for-39) after intermission. A quarter-by-quarter look at 2014-15 to date for Minnesota:

| through Oct. 30 | 1st Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Qtr Pts / FG% | 1st Half Pts / FG% | 3rd Qtr Pts / FG% | 4th Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Half Pts / FG% | Game Pts / FG% |
|------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Timberwolves | 24.0 / 40.0% | 22.0 / 43.9% | 46.0 / 42.0% | 28.5 / 57.1% | 24.5 / 46.2% | 53.0 / 51.9% | 99.0 / 46.9% |
| Opponents | 23.0 / 46.7% | 25.5 / 46.8% | 48.5 / 46.7% | 24.5 / 52.6% | 25.0 / 41.9% | 49.5 / 46.9% | 98.0 / 46.8% |
| Scoring Margins | (+1.0 pts) | (-3.5 pts) | (-2.5 pts) | (+4.0 pts) | (-0.5 pts) | (+3.5 pts) | (+1.0 pts) |

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YOUTH IS SERVED: With Thursday's debut vs. Detroit, Zach LaVine becomes the 3rd-youngest player to ever appear in a regular-season game for Minnesota. He bumps down to 4th on the list fellow rookie Andrew Wiggins, whose outing at Memphis the previous night made him the 2nd-youngest player ever to start for the Wolves – trailing only Kevin Garnett, who made his first start on Jan. 9, 1996 at the L.A. Lakers, at the age of 19 years, 235 days – and just the sixth rookie to draw an Opening Night starting assignment. As of Thursday, a total of 10 players younger than 21 years old have played for Minnesota; a look at how they fared in their NBA debuts:

| Player | Age | D.O.B. | Debut | GS | Min | FG-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|-----------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|
| Ndudi Ebi | 19y,136d | 6/18/1984 | 11/1/2003 vs. Tor. | 0 | 2 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Kevin Garnett | 19y,168d | 5/19/1976 | 11/3/1995 @ Sac. | 0 | 16 | 4-4 | 0-0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Zach LaVine | 19y,234d | 3/10/1995 | 10/30/2014 vs. Det. | 0 | 5 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Andrew Wiggins | 19y,248d | 2/23/1995 | 10/29/2014 @ Mem. | 1 | 19 | 2-5 | 1-2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| Stephon Marbury | 19y,255d | 2/20/1977 | 11/1/1996 vs. S.A. | 1 | 8 | 0-3 | 0-0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Kevin Love | 20y,52d | 9/7/1988 | 10/29/2008 vs. Sac. | 0 | 19 | 5-8 | 2-2 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
| William Avery | 20y,97d | 8/8/1979 | 11/13/1999 vs. Pho. | 0 | 1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Derrick Williams | 20y,215d | 5/25/1991 | 12/26/2011 vs. OkC | 0 | 24 | 6-14 | 1-2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 13 |
| Jonny Flynn | 20y,264d | 2/6/1989 | 10/28/2009 vs. N.J. | 1 | 29 | 5-13 | 8-10 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 18 |
| Glenn Robinson III | 20y,297d | 1/8/1994 | 11/1/2014 vs. Chi. | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shabazz Muhammad | 20y,353d | 11/13/1992 | 11/1/2013 vs. OkC | 0 | 6 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

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FOR OPENERS: Thaddeus Young tallied 26 points on Wednesday at Memphis, matching Donyell Marshall for the top-scoring game ever by a player making his Wolves debut. A look at Minnesota's all-time best individual performances on Opening Night:

| Most Points | | | Most Rebounds | | | Most Assists | | |
|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Pts | Player, Opponent | Date | Reb | Player, Opponent | Date | Ast | Player, Opponent | Date |
| 34 | Kevin Garnett, @Sac..... | 11/5/99 | 21 | Kevin Garnett, vs. Mil | 10/29/03 | 15 | Pooh Richardson, vs. Dal | 11/2/90 |
| 31 | Kevin Love, vs. Orl | 10/30/13 | 20 | Kevin Garnett, vs. NY | 11/3/04 | 14 | Stephon Marbury, vs. GS | 10/31/97 |
| 28 | Kevin Garnett, vs. NY | 11/3/04 | 17 | Kevin Love, vs. Orl | 10/30/13 | 12 | Terrell Brandon, @Sac | 11/5/99 |
| 28 | Kevin Garnett, @Hou | 10/31/00 | 17 | Kevin Garnett, @Sac | 11/5/99 | 11 | Ricky Rubio, vs. Orl | 10/30/13 |
| 28 | Tom Gugliotta, vs. GS | 10/31/97 | 13 | Al Jefferson, vs. Den | 11/2/07 | 11 | Sam Cassell, vs. NY | 11/3/04 |
| 26 | Thaddeus Young, @Mem. 10/29/14 | | 13 | Rasho Nesterovic, @Hou | 10/31/00 | 10 | Stephon Marbury, @Den | 2/5/99 |
| 26 | Donyell Marshall, @Den | 11/4/94 | 12 | Kevin Love, vs. OkC | 12/26/11 | 10 | Pooh Richardson, vs. Uta | 11/1/91 |
| 25 | Kevin Garnett, vs. Mil | 10/29/03 | 12 | Kevin Garnett, vs. Sac | 11/1/06 | 9 | Sam Cassell, vs. Mil | 10/29/03 |
| 25 | Kevin Garnett, vs. GS | 10/31/97 | 12 | Kevin Garnett, vs. Den | 10/30/02 | 9 | Terrell Brandon, @Hou | 10/31/00 |
| | | | 12 | Tom Gugliotta, @Sac | 11/3/95 | | | |

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WOLF TRACKS: Minnesota notched its first win of the season with Thursday's 97-91 decision vs. Detroit, its ninth consecutive victory over the Pistons dating to a 103-98 home loss on Apr. 14, 2010... The game was the 50th regular-season meeting between the Wolves and Detroit, with Minnesota improving to 27-23 all-time in the series... The Wolves have now won 17 of their last 20 home openers, a stretch that began with the 93-92 triumph over the L.A. Lakers on Nov. 7, 1995; they're 18-8 all-time in that category... Flip Saunders remains unbeaten in 10 home openers on the Minnesota bench (the first nine coming from 1996 through 2004)... Minnesota began the 2014-15 regular season with Wednesday's 105-101 loss in Memphis, ending a run of 13 consecutive seasons in which they'd opened at Target Center (a string that began in 2001-02)... That's the second-longest home streak in NBA history, and the longest for any team in the same city and arena... The Hawks franchise began 16 consecutive NBA seasons at home (1949-50 through 1964-65) while moving from Tri-Cities to Milwaukee to St. Louis to Atlanta... The active leaders are now the L.A. Lakers, who opened at home for the ninth straight season on Tuesday... All-time, Minnesota is now 15-11 on Opening Night, having started 14 of the last 19 seasons with wins...

SCHEDULE NOTES: Thursday's victory over Detroit wrapped up the first of 19 sets of back-to-back games for the Wolves in 2014-15; the next one kicks off next Friday in Orlando... Minnesota played 21 back-to-back sets a year ago, finishing 4-17 on the tail ends of those pairs... Tonight's game continues a run of five in a row vs. Eastern Conference opponents that ends next Saturday in Miami... Beginning with the Nov. 12 outing vs. Houston in Mexico City, eight of the Wolves' next 10 will be vs. Western rivals... After tonight's game, Minnesota will not return to Target Center until Nov. 19 vs. New York... At 18 days, it's the longest in-season gap between true home games in franchise history; the Wolves had a 17-day absence from Mar. 21-Apr. 7, 1998 while taking a seven-game road trip...

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Season Superlatives (through Oct. 30)

Wolves Individual Highs:

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|---|--------------|--|
| Points | 26 | Thaddeus Young at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Made | 10 | Thaddeus Young at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Attempted..... | 18 | Thaddeus Young at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goal Percentage (Min. 10 FGM)..... | .556 | (10-18) Thaddeus Young at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 3-Point Field Goals Made..... | 2 | (3x) <i>MR</i> : Thaddeus Young vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3-Point Field Goals Attempted..... | 4 | Thaddeus Young vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throws Made | 5 | Kevin Martin vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throws Attempted..... | 6 | Kevin Martin vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throw Percentage (Min. 10 FTM) | .000 | <i>no qualifiers</i> |
| Total Rebounds | 10 | Nikola Pekovic vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Offensive Rebounds..... | 5 | Nikola Pekovic vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Defensive Rebounds..... | 5 | Nikola Pekovic/Ricky Rubio vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Assists..... | 8 | Ricky Rubio vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Steals..... | 3 | Thaddeus Young vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Turnovers..... | 7 | Ricky Rubio at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Blocked Shots | 3 | Gorgui Dieng at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Minutes Played..... | 35:48 | Ricky Rubio at Memphis (10/29/14) |

Opponent Individual Highs:

| | | |
|---|--------------|---|
| Points | 32 | Marc Gasol at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Made | 12 | Marc Gasol/Zach Randolph at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Attempted..... | 18 | D.J. Augustin vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Field Goal Percentage (Min. 10 FGM)..... | .750 | (12-16) Zach Randolph at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 3-Point Field Goals Made..... | 4 | Caron Butler vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3-Point Field Goals Attempted..... | 7 | Caron Butler vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throws Made | 8 | Marc Gasol at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Free Throws Attempted..... | 10 | Marc Gasol at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Free Throw Percentage (Min. 10 FTM) | .000 | <i>no qualifiers</i> |
| Total Rebounds | 13 | Zach Randolph at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Offensive Rebounds..... | 6 | Zach Randolph at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Defensive Rebounds..... | 10 | Andre Drummond vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Assists..... | 6 | Mike Conley at Memphis (10/29/14); Brandon Jennings vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Steals..... | 3 | Tony Allen at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Turnovers..... | 5 | Zach Randolph at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Blocked Shots | 2 | on 3 occasions |
| Minutes Played..... | 41:29 | Kentavious Caldwell-Pope vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |

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Season Superlatives (through Oct. 30)

Wolves Highs:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Points, Game | 101 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 1st Half | 47 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 2nd Half | 54 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 1st Quarter | 27 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 2nd Quarter | 24 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Points, 3rd Quarter | 30 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Points, 4th Quarter | 27 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Made | 39 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Attempted | 86 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goal Percentage | .487 | (37-76) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goals Made | 6 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goals Attempted | 12 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goal Percentage | .500 | (6-12) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Free Throws Made | 19 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throws Attempted | 28 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throw Percentage | .739 | (17-23) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Total Rebounds | 47 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Offensive Rebounds | 19 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Defensive Rebounds | 33 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Assists | 20 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Steals | 8 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Turnovers | 23 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Blocked Shots | 4 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Personal Fouls | 21 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |

Wolves Lows:

| | |
|-------------|---|
| 97 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 45 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 52 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 21 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 20 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 27 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 22 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 37 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 76 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| .453 | (39-86) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 4 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 10 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| .400 | (4-10) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 17 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 23 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| .679 | (19-28) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 43 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 10 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 28 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 18 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 8 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 12 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 21 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |

Opponent Highs:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|---|
| Points, Game | 105 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 1st Half | 53 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 2nd Half | 52 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 1st Quarter | 25 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 2nd Quarter | 28 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 3rd Quarter | 28 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Points, 4th Quarter | 26 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Field Goals Made | 43 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Field Goals Attempted | 91 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Field Goal Percentage | .524 | (43-82) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goals Made | 7 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goals Attempted | 21 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3-Pt Field Goal Percentage | .333 | (7-21) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Free Throws Made | 15 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Free Throws Attempted | 20 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Free Throw Percentage | .750 | (15-20) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Total Rebounds | 46 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Offensive Rebounds | 14 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Defensive Rebounds | 32 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Assists | 21 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Steals | 10 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Turnovers | 17 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| Blocked Shots | 5 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| Personal Fouls | 24 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |

Opponent Lows:

| | |
|-------------|---|
| 91 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 44 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 47 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 21 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 23 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 21 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 24 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 38 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 82 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| .418 | (38-91) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 4 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 15 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| .267 | (4-15) at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 8 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 13 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| .615 | (8-13) vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 33 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 10 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 23 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |
| 20 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 3 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 12 | vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 5 | (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Detroit (10/30/14) |
| 21 | at Memphis (10/29/14) |

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Top Individual Performances (through Oct. 30)

POINTS

26 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.
19 Thaddeus Young, 10/30 vs. Det.
18 Mo Williams, 10/29 at Mem.
17 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
13 Mo Williams, 10/30 vs. Det.
13 S. Muhammad, 10/29 at Mem.

FIELD GOALS

10 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.
7 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
7 Thaddeus Young, 10/30 vs. Det.
6 Mo Williams, 10/30 vs. Det.
6 Mo Williams, 10/29 at Mem.

FREE THROWS

5 Kevin Martin, 10/30 vs. Det.
4 Mo Williams, 10/29 at Mem.
4 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.

3-PT. FIELD GOALS

2 Thaddeus Young, 10/30 vs. Det.
2 Mo Williams, 10/29 at Mem.
2 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.

TOTAL REBOUNDS

10 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
8 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Mem.
8 Nikola Pekovic, 10/29 at Mem.
7 Ricky Rubio, 10/30 vs. Det.
7 S. Muhammad, 10/29 at Mem.
6 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Mem.

OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS

5 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
4 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Mem.
4 Nikola Pekovic, 10/29 at Mem.
3 S. Muhammad, 10/29 at Mem.
3 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Mem.

DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS

5 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
5 Ricky Rubio, 10/30 vs. Det.
4 on 7 occasions

BLOCKED SHOTS

3 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Mem.
2 Gorgui Dieng, 10/30 vs. Det.

ASSISTS

8 Ricky Rubio, 10/30 vs. Det.
7 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Mem.
4 Mo Williams, 10/30 vs. Det.
4 Mo Williams, 10/29 at Mem.
4 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.

STEALS

3 Thaddeus Young, 10/30 vs. Det.
2 Corey Brewer, 10/30 vs. Det.
2 Andrew Wiggins, 10/29 at Mem.
2 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.

TURNOVERS

7 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Mem.
3 on 5 occasions

MINUTES PLAYED

36 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Mem.
34 Thaddeus Young, 10/29 at Mem.
34 Thaddeus Young, 10/30 vs. Det.
31 Nikola Pekovic, 10/30 vs. Det.
29 Corey Brewer, 10/30 vs. Det.

Preseason in Review:

STARTING LINEUPS:

| Game # | Forward | Forward | Center | Guard | Guard | Record |
|--------|----------|---------|---------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1 | Wiggins | Young | Dieng | Rubio | Brewer | 0-1 |
| 2 | Wiggins | Young | Pekovic | Rubio | Brewer | 1-0 |
| 3 | Wiggins | Young | Pekovic | LaVine | Brewer | 0-1 |
| 4 | Brewer | Young | Turiaf | Barea | Martin | 1-0 |
| 5, 7 | Brewer | Young | Pekovic | Rubio | Martin | 2-0 |
| 6 | Budinger | Young | Pekovic | Rubio | Muhammad | 1-0 |

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TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (Final):

| | TIMES LED TEAM | | | --- DOUBLE FIGURES --- | | | | PRESEASON HIGHS | | |
|-------------------------|----------------|-----|-----|------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-----------------|-----|-----|
| | Pts | Reb | Ast | 10+ Pts | 20+ Pts | 10+ Reb | 10+ Ast | Pts | Reb | Ast |
| J.J. Barea..... | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 4 | 9 |
| Anthony Bennett..... | 1 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 11 | 1 |
| Corey Brewer..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 4 | 3 |
| Chase Budinger..... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 7 | 2 |
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 1 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 16 | 10 | 2 |
| Kyrylo Fesenko..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Brady Heslip..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 7 | 3 |
| Zach LaVine..... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 5 | 4 |
| Kevin Martin..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 3 | 2 |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 5 | 3 |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 15 | 13 | 2 |
| Glenn Robinson III..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 3 |
| Ricky Rubio..... | 1 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 3 | 9 |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 6 | 1 |
| Andrew Wiggins..... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 18 | 6 | 3 |
| Mo Williams..... | 2 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 6 | 9 |
| Thaddeus Young..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 6 | 5 |

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BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves were:

- **5-0** when scoring 100+ points
- **0-2** when scoring less than 100 points
- **4-0** when shooting 45%+
- **1-2** when shooting less than 45%
- **2-2** when allowing 100+ points
- **3-0** when allowing less than 100 points
- **1-2** when allowing 45%+
- **4-0** when allowing less than 45%
- **4-0** when outshooting their foe or even
- **1-2** when being outshot
- **3-2** when outrebounding their foe or even
- **2-0** when being outrebounded
- **2-1** when committing <15 TOs
- **3-1** when committing 15+ TOs
- **4-0** when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- **1-2** when trailing after 3 quarters
- **3-1** in games decided by 10+ points
- **2-1** in games decided by <10 points

DUNK-O-METER: Wolves players' preseason dunk totals (Final):

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 7 |
| Corey Brewer..... | 6 |
| Zach LaVine..... | 4 |
| Anthony Bennett..... | 3 |
| Andrew Wiggins..... | 3 |
| Thaddeus Young..... | 3 |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 2 |
| Glenn Robinson III..... | 2 |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 2 |
| Chase Budinger..... | 1 |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 1 |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 1 |

ROOKIE ROUNDUP: Andrew Wiggins, the 1st overall pick in the 2014 NBA Draft, tallied a game-high 18 points, three assists and three blocks on Oct. 7 at Indiana, while fellow rookie Zach LaVine netted 15 points vs. Philadelphia on Oct. 10. A final preseason recap of the NBA's rookie class of 2014-15:

| # | Name | Team | G | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | Blk | Pts |
|-----|----------------------------|------------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2. | Jabari Parker..... | MIL | 7 | 31.0 | .412 | .077 | .735 | 6.3 | 1.3 | 0.86 | 0.29 | 15.1 |
| 1. | Andrew Wiggins..... | MIN | 4 | 28.0 | .410 | .600 | .632 | 3.8 | 1.5 | 1.50 | 0.75 | 11.8 |
| -- | James Ennis..... | MIA | 7 | 21.6 | .500 | .400 | .889 | 3.7 | 1.1 | 1.43 | 0.00 | 10.9 |
| -- | Andre Dawkins..... | MIA | 3 | 16.7 | .529 | .583 | .857 | 1.0 | 0.3 | 0.67 | 0.00 | 10.3 |
| 24. | Shabazz Napier..... | MIA | 8 | 20.9 | .359 | .214 | .882 | 2.6 | 2.8 | 1.13 | 0.00 | 10.3 |
| 8. | Nik Stauskas..... | SAC | 6 | 24.8 | .444 | .391 | 1.000 | 1.8 | 0.8 | 0.50 | 0.17 | 9.7 |
| 26. | P.J. Hairston..... | CHA | 8 | 19.1 | .397 | .421 | .786 | 2.6 | 0.9 | 0.75 | 0.38 | 9.6 |
| 30. | Kyle Anderson..... | SAN | 6 | 24.2 | .500 | .455 | .800 | 4.3 | 1.8 | 1.00 | 0.17 | 9.5 |
| 46. | Jordan Clarkson..... | LAL | 4 | 21.5 | .343 | .300 | 1.000 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 0.50 | 0.00 | 9.5 |
| 7. | Julius Randle..... | LAL | 8 | 20.9 | .456 | .000 | .500 | 5.8 | 1.1 | 0.25 | 0.38 | 8.8 |
| -- | Nerlens Noel..... | PHI | 4 | 30.3 | .351 | .000 | .444 | 8.5 | 2.0 | 2.25 | 2.50 | 8.5 |
| 6. | Marcus Smart..... | BOS | 8 | 26.4 | .317 | .250 | .750 | 2.6 | 4.6 | 2.38 | 0.13 | 8.4 |
| 4. | Aaron Gordon..... | ORL | 8 | 22.3 | .464 | .455 | .600 | 5.3 | 1.4 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 8.3 |
| 11. | Doug McDermott..... | CHI | 8 | 25.6 | .351 | .286 | .750 | 4.9 | 1.5 | 0.25 | 0.13 | 8.3 |
| -- | Kostas Papanikolaou..... | HOU | 8 | 25.8 | .333 | .219 | .722 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 1.00 | 0.75 | 8.0 |

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2014 TIMBERWOLVES PRESEASON PLUS/MINUS REPORT:

| Preseason | Wolves | Bennett | Brewer | Budinger | Dieng | LaVine | Martin | Muhammad | Pekovic | Rubio | Wiggins | Williams | Young |
|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| 10/7 @ Indiana | L13 | DNP | -12 | +4 | +5 | -7 | DNP | -13 | DNP | 0 | -9 | DNP | -11 |
| 10/10 vs. Philadelphia | W6 | -6 | +19 | -10 | -5 | -11 | DNP | DNP | +11 | +17 | +16 | -13 | +12 |
| 10/17 vs. Milwaukee | L7 | +5 | -4 | +7 | +6 | -18 | DNP | DNP | -13 | DNP | -15 | +7 | -12 |
| 10/19 @ Okla. City | W18 | +3 | +13 | DNP | +3 | -2 | +9 | DNP | +11 | +13 | +8 | +5 | +10 |
| 10/21 vs. Indiana | W18 | +14 | +3 | -5 | +1 | +2 | +7 | +21 | +17 | +22 | DNP | +9 | +6 |
| 10/22 @ Milwaukee | W19 | -4 | DNP | +17 | +7 | +2 | DNP | +26 | +12 | +12 | DNP | DNP | +17 |
| 10/24 @ Chicago | W1 | +8 | -10 | +1 | +4 | +13 | +1 | DNP | +2 | -2 | DNP | -9 | -8 |
| Preseason Totals: | +42 | +20 | +9 | +14 | +21 | -21 | +17 | +34 | +40 | +62 | 0 | -1 | +14 |
| Per Game: | +6.0 | +3.3 | +1.5 | +2.3 | +3.0 | -3.0 | +5.7 | +11.3 | +6.7 | +10.3 | 0.0 | -0.2 | +2.0 |
| Per 48 Minutes: | +6.0 | +8.6 | +3.4 | +5.2 | +5.4 | -9.0 | +13.2 | +21.7 | +17.3 | +22.0 | 0.0 | -0.4 | +4.4 |

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CHART TOPPERS: Minnesota ranked among the NBA's elite in these 2014 preseason categories:

| | | |
|------------------------|-----|-------|
| ➤ Steals | 1st | 12.1 |
| ➤ Scoring | 2nd | 106.6 |
| ➤ Fewest Turnovers | 2nd | 14.6 |
| ➤ Points in the Paint | 2nd | 45.4 |
| ➤ Fast Break Points | 3rd | 20.1 |
| ➤ 2nd-Chance Points | 3rd | 14.9 |
| ➤ Points off Turnovers | 4th | 22.9 |
| ➤ Assists | 4th | 23.9 |
| ➤ 3-Point FG% | 4th | 38.1% |
| ➤ Offensive Reb% | 5th | .274 |
| ➤ Scoring Margin | 7th | +6.0 |

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HALFWAY HOME: Minnesota led Milwaukee 53-47 at halftime on Oct. 22 despite shooting just 38.8% (19-for-49) from the floor. In their seven preseason contests, the Wolves shot a combined 41.0% (and averaged 51.3 points) prior to intermission but boosted that to 50.2% (and 55.3 points) in the 2nd half. A quarter-by-quarter look at Minnesota's 2014 preseason:

| Final | 1st Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Qtr Pts / FG% | 1st Half Pts / FG% | 3rd Qtr Pts / FG% | 4th Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Half Pts / FG% | Game Pts / FG% |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Timberwolves | 24.9 / 40.0% | 26.4 / 42.0% | 51.3 / 41.0% | 27.3 / 48.1% | 28.0 / 52.5% | 55.3 / 50.2% | 106.6 / 45.5% |
| Opponents | 25.9 / 46.0% | 22.4 / 38.9% | 48.3 / 42.4% | 27.3 / 51.4% | 25.0 / 43.3% | 52.3 / 47.3% | 100.6 / 44.8% |
| Scoring Margins | (-1.0 pts) | (+4.0 pts) | (+3.0 pts) | (0.0 pts) | (+3.0 pts) | (+3.0 pts) | (+6.0 pts) |

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INSIDE THE BOX SCORE: The Wolves outscored Indiana 42-20 in the paint on Oct. 21 and held the edge in that category in all seven games (including a 62-58 spread vs. Philadelphia on Oct. 10). A look at some of Minnesota's key figures for the 2014 preseason:

| Preseason | FG Pct. Min-Opp | FTAs Min-Opp | Reb Margin | TO Margin | Pts off TOs Min-Opp | Paint Pts Min-Opp | Fast Break Min-Opp | 2nd Chance Min-Opp | Bench Pts Min-Opp |
|---------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 10/7 @ Indiana | 37.2%-48.2% | 24-20 | Min +4 | Min +2 | 13-14 | 46-42 | 19-10 | 17- 9 | 32-60 |
| 10/10 vs. Philadelphia | 48.5%-53.7% | 21-21 | Min +5 | Min +6 | 27-14 | 62-58 | 32- 6 | 15- 9 | 59-59 |
| 10/17 vs. Milwaukee | 42.2%-45.7% | 32-31 | Min +1 | Min +1 | 23-16 | 42-36 | 18-20 | 8-12 | 62-50 |
| 10/19 @ Oklahoma City | 46.6%-41.0% | 30-34 | Min -9 | Min +15 | 24- 9 | 44-32 | 17-20 | 23-19 | 80-51 |
| 10/21 vs. Indiana | 50.6%-42.3% | 30-31 | Min +8 | Min +7 | 26-15 | 42-20 | 16- 2 | 14- 5 | 65-34 |
| 10/22 @ Milwaukee | 42.5%-40.2% | 33-22 | Min +4 | Min +7 | 25-15 | 42-40 | 18-13 | 14- 8 | 42-61 |
| 10/24 @ Chicago | 51.9%-42.4% | 31-23 | Min -12 | Min +2 | 22-16 | 40-36 | 21- 9 | 13-22 | 53-42 |
| Preseason Averages | 45.5%-44.8% | 28.7-26.0 | Min +0.1 | Min +5.7 | 22.9-14.1 | 45.4-37.7 | 20.1-11.4 | 14.9-12.0 | 56.1-51.0 |

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WOLF TRACKS: Minnesota wrapped up its 2014 preseason schedule with a 5-2 record following last Friday's 113-112 comeback win over Chicago in St. Louis... It's the Wolves' fifth consecutive winning preseason (6-2 in 2010, 2-0 in 2011, 5-2 in 2012, 4-3 in 2013); they're now 101-86 all-time in exhibition outings, winning 24 of their last 33 starts... The Chicago triumph wrapped up a five-games-in-eight-nights tour of the Midwest which began in Cedar Rapids (Oct. 17 vs. Milwaukee) and also included stops in Tulsa (Oct. 19 vs. Oklahoma City), the Twin Cities (Oct. 21 vs. Indiana) and Milwaukee (Oct. 22)... The 110-91 win at Milwaukee on Oct. 22 concluded the lone set of back-to-back games for the Wolves this preseason; they beat Indiana, 107-89, on Oct. 21 at Target Center... Minnesota rang up a 112-94 victory over Oklahoma City on Oct. 19; the Wolves committed just eight TOs while forcing 23 Thunder miscues... It's the lowest single-game turnover count for Minnesota in any preseason game since coughing it up only seven times at Detroit on Oct. 16, 2005... Meanwhile, the Wolves swiped 17 steals vs. Oklahoma City, with seven different players picking off at least two...

STREAKERS: Minnesota ended the preseason by winning its final four outings, its longest such streak since closing October 2001 with five in a row... The first three of those victories (112-94 over Oklahoma City, 107-89 vs. Indiana, 110-91 at Milwaukee) were all by at least 18 points... It's just the second time in franchise history (pre-, regular or postseason) that the Wolves have accomplished that feat; they enjoyed a three-game run in 2000 (Feb. 22-24-25) with victories over Golden State (112-89), the Clippers (116-91) and at Toronto (107-85)... Minnesota outscored its opponents by an average of 14.0 ppg (110.5-96.5) during the winning streak, shooting 47.7% from the floor while limiting its foes to a combined 41.5% accuracy... The Wolves held each of their last four opponents below 45% from the floor (and three of the four under 100 points), after allowing each of their first three foes to crack the Century Mark and top 45% from the floor – including a 53.7% effort by Philadelphia on Oct. 10... The permitted 106.0 ppg and 49.2% accuracy in those three...

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2013-14 in Review:

2013-14 STARTING LINEUPS:

| Game #s | Forward | Forward | Center | Guard | Guard | Record |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------|-------|----------|--------|
| 1-8,10-19,21-24,26-44,58-64,71-73 | Brewer | Love | Pekovic | Rubio | Martin | 26-25 |
| 9, 25 | Hummel | Love | Pekovic | Rubio | Brewer | 1-1 |
| 20 | Brewer | Mbah a Mouté | Pekovic | Rubio | Martin | 0-1 |
| 45-48, 50 | Brewer | Love | Turiaf | Rubio | Martin | 2-3 |
| 49 | Mbah a Mouté | Cunningham | Turiaf | Rubio | Martin | 0-1 |
| 51 | Brewer | Cunningham | Turiaf | Rubio | Budinger | 0-1 |
| 52-54 | Brewer | Love | Turiaf | Rubio | Budinger | 2-1 |
| 55-57 | Brewer | Cunningham | Love | Rubio | Budinger | 2-1 |
| 65-70, 74, 80-82 | Brewer | Love | Dieng | Rubio | Martin | 4-6 |
| 75 | Brewer | Love | Dieng | Rubio | Barea | 1-0 |
| 76 | Brewer | Cunningham | Dieng | Rubio | Budinger | 0-1 |
| 77-78 | Hummel | Love | Dieng | Rubio | Brewer | 1-1 |
| 79 | Hummel | Cunningham | Dieng | Rubio | Brewer | 1-0 |

BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves were...

- **37-22** when scoring 100+ points
- **3-20** when scoring less than 100 points
- **28-10** when shooting 45%+
- **12-32** when shooting less than 45%
- **17-37** when allowing 100+ points
- **23-5** when allowing less than 100 points
- **16-39** when allowing 45%+
- **24-3** when allowing less than 45%
- **28-3** when outshooting their foe or even
- **12-39** when being outshot
- **26-20** when outrebounding their foe or tied
- **14-22** when being outrebounded
- **34-29** when committing <17 TOs
- **6-13** when committing 17+ TOs
- **27-19** when making 7+ three-point FGs
- **13-23** when making <7 three-point FGs
- **36-13** when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- **4-29** when trailing after 3 quarters
- **26-18** in games decided by 10+ points
- **14-24** in games decided by <10 points

2013-14 TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (Final):

(*Triple-Double)

| | TIMES LED TEAM | | | DOUBLE FIGURES | | | | | | DOUBLE-DOUBLES | |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----|-----|----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------------|--|
| | Pts | Reb | Ast | 10+ Pts | 20+ Pts | 30+ Pts | 10+ Reb | 10+ Ast | Pt/ Reb | Pt/ Ast | |
| J.J. Barea..... | 0 | 0 | 8 | 28 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | |
| Corey Brewer..... | 5 | 1 | 0 | 56 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Chase Budinger..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Dante Cunningham..... | 0 | 1 | 1 | 18 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | |
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 0 | 10 | 0 | 13 | 2 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 9 | 0 | |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Othys Jeffers..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Kevin Love..... | 52 | 65 | 12 | 77 | 57 | 25 | 65 | 3 | 65 | *3 | |
| Kevin Martin..... | 21 | 0 | 0 | 60 | 31 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
| Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 7 | 8 | 0 | 50 | 19 | 3 | 24 | 0 | 23 | 0 | |
| Ricky Rubio..... | 3 | 2 | 66 | 37 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 28 | *2 | 15 | |
| Alexey Shved..... | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 0 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

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DUNK-O-METER: Wolves players' dunk totals for 2013-14 (Final):

| | |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Corey Brewer..... | 86 |
| Kevin Martin..... | 32 |
| Kevin Love..... | 31 |
| Gorgui Dieng..... | 27 |
| Dante Cunningham..... | 26 |
| Ronny Turiaf..... | 26 |
| Nikola Pekovic..... | 17 |
| Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté..... | 8 |
| Chase Budinger..... | 7 |
| Shabazz Muhammad..... | 7 |
| Alexey Shved..... | 7 |
| Robbie Hummel..... | 2 |
| Ricky Rubio..... | 0 |
| J.J. Barea..... | 0 |
| Othys Jeffers..... | 0 |

CHART TOPPERS: Ricky Rubio set a club record by collecting 190 steals (2.32 spg) last season while posting the third-highest single-season assist total in Wolves history. Meanwhile, Gorgui Dieng's 21-rebound performance Mar. 20 at Houston is the top single-game total ever by a Wolves rookie:

| <u>Steals, Season</u> | <u>Assists, Season</u> | <u>Rebounds, Game, Rookie</u> |
|--|--|--|
| 190 <i>Ricky Rubio, 2013-14</i> | 734 Pooh Richardson, 1990-91 | 21 <i>Gorgui Dieng 3/20/14 at Hou.</i> |
| 175 Tyrone Corbin, 1989-90 | 704 Stephon Marbury, 1997-98 | 20 <i>Gorgui Dieng 4/11/14 vs. Hou.</i> |
| 165 Micheal Williams, 1992-93 | 703 <i>Ricky Rubio, 2013-14</i> | 20 Dean Garrett 1/31/97 at S.A. |
| 162 Tyrone Corbin, 1990-91 | 685 Pooh Richardson, 1991-92 | 20 Tod Murphy 1/2/90 vs. LA-C |

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BREWER'S BLEND: Corey Brewer was credited with 27 fast break points in the Apr. 11 victory over Houston, the highest single-game total by any NBA player since at least the 1996-97 season. A look at the NBA leaders in each of the four miscellaneous scoring charts for 2013-14:

| <u>Fast Break PPG</u> | <u>2nd-Chance PPG</u> | <u>In the Paint PPG</u> | <u>Off Turnovers PPG</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 6.92 James Harden | 5.42 Andre Drummond | 13.6 LeBron James | 6.08 LeBron James |
| 6.05 LeBron James | 5.22 <i>Nikola Pekovic</i> | 13.5 Al Jefferson | 5.12 Kevin Durant |
| 5.54 Kevin Durant | 4.43 <i>Kevin Love</i> | 13.4 Blake Griffin | 4.58 <i>Kevin Love</i> |
| 5.30 <i>Corey Brewer</i> | 4.25 Carmelo Anthony | 13.2 <i>Nikola Pekovic</i> | 4.37 <i>Kevin Martin</i> |

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DOUBLING DOWN: Minnesota overcame a 19-point, 2nd-quarter deficit to beat Philadelphia, 106-99, on Dec. 11, one of three double-digit comebacks last year. On the flipside, the Wolves lost 11 games in which they'd built leads of 10+ points, most recently falling 130-120 at Golden State on Apr. 14 after forging a 19-point, 2nd-quarter advantage. A look at Minnesota's "volatility factor" in 2013-14:

| <u>Comebacks</u> | | | | | <u>Blown Leads</u> | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| <u>Deficit</u> | <u>Time, Qtr</u> | <u>Opponent</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Final</u> | <u>Lead</u> | <u>Time, Qtr</u> | <u>Opponent</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Final</u> |
| 19 (37-56) | 3:35 / 2nd | Philadelphia | Dec. 11 | 106- 99 | 22 (51-29) | 9:19 / 2nd | Phoenix | Mar. 23 | 120-127 |
| 11 (22-33) | 1:42 / 1st | Milwaukee | Mar. 11 | 112-101 | 19 (51-32) | 9:08 / 2nd | @ Golden State | Apr. 14 | 120-130 |
| 10 (42-52) | 2:25 / 2nd | @ Miami | Apr. 4 | 122-121 2OT | 18 (52-34) | 5:16 / 2nd | @ Portland | Feb. 23 | 97-108 |
| 9 (70-79) | 2:15 / 3rd | @ Phoenix | Feb. 25 | 110-101 | 16 (55-39) | 5:16 / 2nd | @ Washington | Nov. 19 | 100-104 |
| 9 (0-9) | 9:31 / 1st | Washington | Dec. 27 | 120- 98 | 13 (74-61) | 3:56 / 3rd | @ Orlando | Apr. 5 | 92-100 |
| 7 (91-98) | 12:00 / 4th | @ Golden State | Jan. 24 | 121-120 | 13 (92-79) | 10:55 / 4th | Oklahoma City | Jan. 4 | 111-115 |

THE BREAKDOWN: Some quick comparisons of Minnesota's 2013-14 numbers:

| | ----- Records ----- | | | ----- Wolves ----- | | | ----- Opponents ----- | | | ----- Margins ----- | | |
|-----------------------------|---------------------|-------|-------|--------------------|------|------|-----------------------|------|------|---------------------|------|------|
| | Total | Home | Road | Pts | FG% | 3Pt% | Pts | FG% | 3Pt% | Pts | Reb | TO |
| 2013-14 (Final)..... | 40-42 | 24-17 | 16-25 | 106.9 | .444 | .341 | 104.3 | .471 | .364 | +2.7 | +0.5 | +2.5 |
| 2012-13 (Final)..... | 31-51 | 20-21 | 11-30 | 95.7 | .439 | .305 | 98.1 | .468 | .369 | -2.4 | -0.1 | +1.1 |
| 2011-12 (Final)..... | 26-40 | 13-20 | 13-20 | 97.9 | .433 | .332 | 100.1 | .455 | .340 | -2.2 | +0.3 | -1.9 |
| 2010-11 (Final)..... | 17-65 | 12-29 | 5-36 | 101.1 | .441 | .376 | 107.7 | .468 | .374 | -6.6 | +1.8 | -2.6 |
| 2009-10 (Final)..... | 15-67 | 10-31 | 5-36 | 98.2 | .449 | .341 | 107.8 | .480 | .366 | -9.6 | -0.5 | -2.0 |
| 2008-09 (Final)..... | 24-58 | 11-30 | 13-28 | 97.8 | .441 | .353 | 102.7 | .474 | .377 | -4.9 | +0.8 | -1.7 |
| 2007-08 (Final)..... | 22-60 | 15-26 | 7-34 | 95.6 | .451 | .350 | 102.4 | .472 | .357 | -6.8 | -0.3 | -1.0 |
| 2006-07 (Final)..... | 32-50 | 20-21 | 12-29 | 96.1 | .461 | .353 | 99.7 | .460 | .348 | -3.7 | -1.3 | -1.4 |
| 2005-06 (Final)..... | 33-49 | 24-17 | 9-32 | 91.7 | .456 | .329 | 93.6 | .441 | .364 | -1.9 | -1.9 | -0.6 |
| 2004-05 (Final)..... | 44-38 | 24-17 | 20-21 | 96.8 | .459 | .345 | 95.3 | .438 | .363 | +1.5 | +1.7 | -1.4 |
| 2003-04 (Final)..... | 58-24 | 31-10 | 27-14 | 94.5 | .462 | .363 | 89.1 | .414 | .334 | +5.5 | +1.5 | +0.8 |
| 2002-03 (Final)..... | 51-31 | 33-8 | 18-23 | 98.1 | .466 | .368 | 96.0 | .437 | .347 | +2.1 | +1.9 | -0.1 |
| 2001-02 (Final)..... | 50-32 | 29-12 | 21-20 | 99.3 | .461 | .378 | 96.0 | .445 | .372 | +3.4 | +4.7 | 0.0 |
| 2000-01 (Final)..... | 47-35 | 30-11 | 17-24 | 97.3 | .458 | .357 | 96.0 | .452 | .351 | +1.4 | 0.0 | +1.3 |
| Post All-Star Break..... | 15-14 | 9-6 | 6-8 | 109.6 | .460 | .338 | 108.8 | .478 | .367 | +0.7 | -2.3 | +2.3 |
| Pre All-Star Break..... | 25-28 | 15-11 | 10-17 | 105.5 | .436 | .343 | 101.8 | .468 | .363 | +3.7 | +2.1 | +2.6 |
| At Target Center..... | | 24-17 | | 108.0 | .449 | .336 | 101.8 | .456 | .356 | +6.2 | +2.2 | +2.9 |
| On the Road..... | | | 16-25 | 105.8 | .440 | .347 | 106.7 | .486 | .372 | -0.9 | -1.1 | +2.0 |
| vs. .500+ Opponents..... | 14-30 | 7-14 | 7-16 | 104.1 | .436 | .327 | 108.0 | .482 | .382 | -3.9 | -0.9 | +1.5 |
| vs. <.500 Opponents..... | 26-12 | 17-3 | 9-9 | 110.2 | .455 | .357 | 99.9 | .458 | .340 | +10.3 | +2.2 | +3.6 |
| In Wins..... | 40-0 | 24-0 | 16-0 | 113.2 | .474 | .381 | 98.5 | .441 | .321 | +14.8 | +3.5 | +3.1 |
| In Losses..... | 0-42 | 0-17 | 0-25 | 100.9 | .417 | .304 | 109.8 | .500 | .406 | -8.8 | -2.3 | +1.9 |
| vs. Western Conference..... | 23-29 | 13-13 | 10-16 | 107.6 | .446 | .345 | 106.8 | .477 | .363 | +0.9 | +0.5 | +1.6 |
| vs. Eastern Conference..... | 17-13 | 11-4 | 6-9 | 105.7 | .441 | .336 | 99.9 | .460 | .366 | +5.8 | +0.6 | +4.0 |
| 1+ Days Rest..... | 36-25 | 21-13 | 15-12 | 108.5 | .453 | .348 | 103.5 | .466 | .352 | +5.0 | +1.2 | +2.3 |
| 0 Days Rest..... | 4-17 | 3-4 | 1-13 | 102.2 | .421 | .325 | 106.4 | .485 | .399 | -4.1 | -1.3 | +3.1 |

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HIT THE GROUND RUNNING: Minnesota outscored the Lakers 47-23 in the opening 12 minutes on Nov. 10, the highest-scoring quarter in club history. *The Wolves led the NBA in 1st-quarter scoring by averaging 28.7 points (46.9%), and ranked 3rd behind San Antonio and Houston in 1st-quarter scoring margin at +2.6 points (28.7-26.1).* A quarter-by-quarter look at 2013-14 for Minnesota:

| Final | 1st Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Qtr Pts / FG% | 1st Half Pts / FG% | 3rd Qtr Pts / FG% | 4th Qtr Pts / FG% | 2nd Half Pts / FG% | Game Pts / FG% |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Timberwolves..... | 28.7 / 46.9% | 26.5 / 43.8% | 55.2 / 45.4% | 26.9 / 45.4% | 23.8 / 41.3% | 50.7 / 43.4% | 106.9 / 44.4% |
| Opponents..... | 26.1 / 48.1% | 25.4 / 46.5% | 51.5 / 47.3% | 25.6 / 47.8% | 26.1 / 46.0% | 51.7 / 46.9% | 104.3 / 47.1% |
| Scoring Margins..... | (+2.6 pts) | (+1.1 pts) | (+3.7 pts) | (+1.3 pts) | (-2.3 pts) | (-1.0 pts) | (+2.7 pts) |

INSIDE THE BOX SCORE: The Wolves finished 52-for-64 from the FT line in the 132-128 win at Denver on Mar. 3. *The 52 makes are the most by any NBA team since Phoenix went 61-for-80 vs. Utah on Apr. 9, 1990* (OT game), while the 64 attempts are the most since the L.A. Lakers finished 43-for-64 vs. Chicago on Nov. 19, 1999. A look at some of Minnesota's key figures for 2013-14:

| Month | FG Pct. Min-Opp | FTAs Min-Opp | Reb Margin | TO Margin | Pts off TOs Min-Opp | Paint Pts Min-Opp | Fast Break Min-Opp | 2nd Chance Min-Opp | Bench Pts Min-Opp |
|------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Oct.-November (9-9) | 43.0%-46.3% | 26.2-17.9 | Min +0.5 | Min +2.9 | 20.1-15.3 | 46.1-44.6 | 16.9-14.1 | 15.5-13.9 | 21.3-36.7 |
| December (6-7) | 42.8%-48.9% | 28.6-17.2 | Min +4.9 | Min +2.0 | 18.1-15.3 | 44.6-48.2 | 13.6-16.4 | 17.2-12.0 | 25.2-32.9 |
| January (8-7) | 45.3%-46.0% | 24.9-19.8 | Min +2.3 | Min +3.0 | 17.1-13.9 | 50.1-45.3 | 15.9-16.3 | 13.5-11.3 | 30.1-30.7 |
| February (5-6) | 44.5%-45.4% | 30.1-22.8 | Min +0.4 | Min +1.7 | 15.6-15.9 | 42.9-43.1 | 14.0-18.1 | 16.1-13.1 | 29.6-37.5 |
| March (8-8) | 46.0%-48.8% | 29.8-22.4 | Min -2.9 | Min +2.9 | 21.1-17.6 | 48.6-46.1 | 16.5-18.1 | 16.4-13.4 | 31.5-38.0 |
| April (4-5) | 45.7%-47.2% | 30.8-21.4 | Min -2.3 | Min +1.7 | 20.3-18.6 | 52.0-51.6 | 19.7-15.3 | 12.9-13.9 | 29.1-32.4 |
| Season Averages | 44.4%-47.1% | 28.1-20.1 | Min +0.5 | Min +2.5 | 18.8-15.9 | 47.3-46.1 | 16.0-16.3 | 15.4-12.9 | 27.5-34.9 |

2013-14 TIMBERWOLVES PLUS/MINUS REPORT:

| Month | Barea | Brewer | Budinger | Cunningham | Dieng | Hummel | Love | Martin | Mbah Mouté | Pekovic | Rubio | Shved | Turiaf |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Oct.-November (9-9) | +8 | +122 | INJ | -32 | -34 | +16 | +170 | +76 | +10 | +72 | +102 | -38 | +6 |
| December (6-7) | -7 | +27 | INJ | +1 | +5 | +15 | +48 | +14 | -28 | +28 | +35 | +36 | INJ |
| January (8-7) | -45 | +106 | -8 | -6 | -15 | -7 | +109 | +105 | -2 | +100 | +120 | -5 | -14 |
| February (5-6) | -16 | +31 | +30 | +34 | -5 | -6 | +47 | -15 | -29 | INJ | +41 | -6 | -4 |
| March (8-8) | -22 | +53 | -15 | -71 | -6 | 0 | +1 | -1 | -24 | +80 | +55 | -12 | INJ |
| April (4-5) | -14 | -7 | -7 | +30 | +15 | +18 | -19 | -2 | -62 | INJ | +26 | -10 | -11 |
| Season Totals: | -96 | +332 | 0 | -44 | -40 | +36 | +356 | +177 | -135 | +280 | +379 | -35 | -23 |
| Per Game: | -1.2 | +4.1 | 0.0 | -0.5 | -0.7 | +0.7 | +4.6 | +2.6 | -2.5 | +5.2 | +4.6 | -0.6 | -0.7 |
| Per 48 Minutes: | -3.1 | +6.1 | 0.0 | -1.3 | -2.3 | +2.6 | +6.1 | +3.9 | -8.0 | +8.1 | +6.9 | -2.5 | -1.8 |

WOLF TRACKS: Minnesota ended 2013-14 with a 40-42 record, its best since finishing 44-38 in 2004-05; it's the fourth straight season the Wolves have improved on their previous year's victory total, having posted a 31-51 mark a year ago... Minnesota's season was highlighted by overtime victories at Dallas (123-122 on Mar. 19) and Miami (122-121 in double-OT on Apr. 4), as well as a late win at Golden State (121-120 on Jan. 24)... The Wolves finished 16-25 away from Target Center, their highest road victory total since going 20-21 in 2004-05... Minnesota has now missed the postseason in 10 straight seasons, after advancing to the playoffs every year from 1996-97 through 2003-04 (eight)... The current absence is the longest active postseason drought; Sacramento (eight) and Detroit (five) are next on that list... Minnesota's entire 2013-14 campaign was spent within four games of the .500 mark; they opened the season with three straight wins and were at 7-4 later in November, while the low-water mark came at 24-28 on Feb. 10... The Wolves put together three-game winning streaks on four occasions (Oct. 30-Nov. 3, Jan. 18-24, Feb. 12-22, Feb. 25-Mar. 3) with one four-game skid (Feb. 5-10)... Minnesota finished April with a 4-5 mark, but the four victories were against teams (Memphis, Miami, San Antonio, Houston) with a combined record of 220-108 (.671)... The Apr. 4 victory at Miami was the 800th in club history, while the Apr. 13 game at Sacramento marked the Wolves' 2000th regular-season contest... Minnesota capped a 4-1 West Coast swing with the 132-128 win at Denver on Mar. 3; it's the sixth time in franchise history they've won four games on a single trip, the first since December 2005...

MARGINAL INFORMATION: Minnesota recorded its franchise-record 12th 20-point victory with the Mar. 28 decision vs. Los Angeles; the Wolves also built leads of 30+ points in 13 of their 82 games, the top single-season total in the NBA since Utah had 14 such games in 1996-97... The 23-point defeat Mar. 20 at Houston represented the Wolves' largest of the season; they lost by 21 vs. Miami on Dec. 7... Minnesota's 88 points vs. New Orleans on Jan. 29 were the fewest they scored in a victory last year and marked just the second time they've won in the past 30 when tallying fewer than 90... The Wolves claimed a 121-120 victory at Golden State on Jan. 24 -- their first of the season in a game decided by four points or less, snapping a 14-game losing streak in that category; they finished 6-13 when the final margin was four or less, including 5-1 since Mar. 1... The Wolves won just three times a year ago when being held below 100 points (3-20 overall); the 98-72 victory over Utah on Jan. 18 halted an 18-game losing streak that dated to March 2013...

ON TARGET: Minnesota demolished its previous single-season record for scoring (101.1 ppg in 1997-98) by averaging 106.9 ppg last year to rank 3rd in the NBA... The Wolves set club single-game records for points scored (143) and FG accuracy (67.1%) in the Mar. 28 victory over the L.A. Lakers... On the other hand, Minnesota surrendered 136 points in the Apr. 16 finale vs. Utah, two nights after Golden State had tallied 130... They finished 26th in the NBA in scoring defense (allowing 104.3 ppg) and 29th in defensive FG pct (47.1%)... The Wolves topped 50% on 11 occasions, with the Apr. 14 loss to Golden State just their second in that category in the past two seasons (22-2)... Meanwhile, including Atlanta's 37.8% effort on Mar. 26, Minnesota has won its last 21 starts when holding the opponent below 40%... The Wolves limited Utah to 28.8% accuracy on Jan. 18, their best defensive percentage ever; on the flipside, Minnesota finished at 29.3% in the Dec. 7 loss to Miami, the lowest single-game percentage in club history...

THREES & FREES: The Wolves' 52-for-64 effort Mar. 3 at Denver shattered the franchise single-game records for FTs made and attempted... Minnesota ended 3rd by averaging 28.1 FTAs per night; they were also 2nd in the NBA in FTs made per game (21.8), 9th in FT accuracy (77.8%) and 2nd in fouls drawn (23.6 per game)... At the other end, Minnesota's opponents attempted just 20.1 FTs per night, the fewest in the NBA last season... The Wolves went 16-for-26 from three-point range Jan. 6 at Philadelphia, a season high for makes; they reached double digits 18 times, going 13-5 in those... Meanwhile, the 1-for-14 effort Apr. 5 at Orlando was a season low; they closed at 32.0% (66-for-206) over the last 11 games... The Wolves ranked 17th in three-pointers made (7.3 per game) but 26th in three-point accuracy (34.1%)... For the season, Minnesota set club records for three-pointers made (600) and attempted (1757)...

THE BOARD REPORT: Minnesota outrebounded the Lakers 49-26 on Mar. 28, their largest margin of the season and one of eight double-digit advantages overall; they enjoyed a 52-37 cushion vs. San Antonio on Apr. 8... On the flipside, Charlotte posted a 54-35 edge on Mar. 14, the largest margin the Wolves faced last year; they came up short in 26 of their final 40 contests... That stretch began with a 50-40 deficit at Portland on Jan. 25; before that, Minnesota had been outboarded in just 11 of its first 42 outings... Oklahoma City posted a 45-40 edge on Jan. 4, the first time Minnesota had fallen short at home since Nov. 6 vs. Golden State... The Wolves ranked 10th in total rebound pct (.509), 7th in offensive rebound pct (.274) and 16th in defensive rebound pct (.744)... They compiled a +0.5 rpg advantage for the year (44.7-44.2), but were outboarded by -3.6 rpg (42.2-45.8) over the last 22 contests...

THIEVERY CORPORATION: Minnesota tallied 30 points off 23 Orlando TOs on Apr. 5, the sixth time they scored 30+ (season best was 37 at Houston on Nov. 23)... Atlanta's 26 TOs on Mar. 26 equaled the most Minnesota has forced in 2013-14 (one of 21 times they generated 20+)... The season-high 17-steal effort vs. Atlanta was one of 30 times the Wolves reached double digits, their top total since also posting 30 such games in 2000-01... Ricky Rubio (190) and Corey Brewer (150) combined for 340 steals, the most-prolific duo in the NBA a year ago (Thaddeus Young/Michael Carter-Williams finished 2nd with 297)... The Wolves committed a season-low five TOs Dec. 27 vs. Washington; however, they averaged 16.5 TOs in their final 13 games, after coughing it up just 11.3 times per contest in the previous 10... Minnesota ranked 8th in the NBA in fewest TOs (13.9 per game), 3rd in steals (8.76 spg) and 3rd in TOs forced (16.4)...

SCHEDULE NOTES: Minnesota dropped 10 of its final 16 starts (beginning with the Mar. 20 loss at Houston), after enjoying a six-week stretch at 10-4 that was highlighted by victories over Indiana (Feb. 19) and Dallas (Mar. 19)... The Wolves finished 4-17 on the tail ends of back-to-back sets last year, ending with an 11-game losing streak in that category... Minnesota went 17-13 vs. Eastern opponents, its first winning record against either conference since going 30-22 vs. the West in 2004-05... The Feb. 8 game vs. Portland finished the second of two four-games-in-five-nights grinds for Minnesota (also Nov. 19-23)... Starting with the Mar. 19 overtime win in Dallas, 12 of Minnesota's final 16 contests were against teams sporting winning records... Minnesota drew an SRO 19,888 on Dec. 7 vs. Miami, its lone sellout of 2013-14; the next-largest announced crowd was 18,065 vs. Oklahoma City on Jan. 4...

Coach's Bio:

FLIP SAUNDERS

Overall Record: 639-527
Seasons in League: 17th

Record with Minnesota: 412-327
Seasons with Minnesota: 11th

Named head coach on June 6, 2014, having returned to the Wolves on May 3, 2013 in the role of President of Basketball Operations... It's his second stint on the Minnesota bench; he previously served from 1995-96 to 2004-05, compiling a record of 411-326 and leading the Wolves to eight straight playoff berths (1997-2004), seven consecutive .500+ records and a trip to the 2004 Western Conference Finals... *In 16 NBA seasons, he's produced 50+ wins seven times and made four Conference Finals appearances among 11 playoff visits...* Began his professional coaching career in the Continental Basketball Association, where he went 253-137 (.649) over seven seasons (1988-89 through 1994-95) and won two CBA titles (1990 and 1992) with the La Crosse Catbirds... Originally joined the Timberwolves on May 11, 1995 as general manager, and was named head coach on Dec. 18, 1995, taking over from Bill Blair... Coached USA Basketball's gold-medal-winning entry in the 2001 Goodwill Games, held in Brisbane, Australia... Named Detroit's head coach on June 20, 2005, replacing Larry Brown, and guided the Pistons to three consecutive Eastern Conference Finals appearances (2006-07-08)... Detroit went 176-70 (.715) under his tutelage, the best winning percentage for any coach in franchise history... Recorded his 500th NBA victory on Jan. 28, 2007 (95-87 vs. Indiana), becoming the 26th coach to reach that mark... Named head coach in Washington on Apr. 22, 2009 and remained with the Wizards until Jan. 24, 2012, going 51-130 in parts of three seasons... Prior to rejoining the Timberwolves, he worked for ESPN as a basketball analyst in 2011-12 and 2012-13... Played four years at the University of Minnesota... In his senior season, he teamed with Kevin McHale to lead the Gophers to an all-time school-best 24-3 record... Born on Feb. 23, 1955, in Cleveland and raised in suburban Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio, he was an All-America basketball player at Cuyahoga Heights High School... As a senior in 1973, he was named Ohio's Class A High School Basketball Player of the Year, posting a state-high average of 32.0 ppg... He and his wife, Debbie, have four children, Ryan, Mindy, Rachel and Kimberly.

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SAUNDERS' LIFETIME RECORD vs. THE NBA

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Atlanta Hawks21-15 | Detroit Pistons15-12 | Milwaukee Bucks25-12 | Portland Trail Blazers 23-24 |
| Boston Celtics20-19 | Golden State Warriors30-17 | Minnesota Timberwolves7-4 | Sacramento Kings 27-21 |
| Brooklyn Nets (N.J.)23-11 | Houston Rockets24-23 | New Orleans Pelicans11-5 | San Antonio Spurs 22-24 |
| Charlotte Hornets 16-15 | Indiana Pacers16-22 | New York Knicks17-21 | Toronto Raptors 23-14 |
| Chicago Bulls 18-19 | Los Angeles Clippers.....31-16 | Okla. City Thunder (Sea.) ..23-24 | Utah Jazz 17-29 |
| Cleveland Cavaliers.....20-15 | Los Angeles Lakers14-32 | Orlando Magic17-19 | Washington Wizards 13-15 |
| Dallas Mavericks25-22 | Memphis Grizzlies (Vanc.) 38-10 | Philadelphia 76ers24-14 | |
| Denver Nuggets31-17 | Miami Heat21-16 | Phoenix Suns27-20 | TOTAL: 639-527 |

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SAUNDERS' YEAR-BY-YEAR COACHING RECORD

| Season | Team | Regular Season | | | ---- Playoffs ---- | | | Season | Team | Regular Season | | | ---- Playoffs ---- | | |
|---------|-----------|----------------|----|------|--------------------|---|------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------|
| | | W | L | Pct | W | L | Pct | | | W | L | Pct | W | L | Pct |
| 1995-96 | Minnesota | 20 | 42 | .323 | | | | 2004-05 | Minnesota | 25 | 26 | .490 | | | |
| 1996-97 | Minnesota | 40 | 42 | .488 | 0 | 3 | .000 | 2005-06 | Detroit | 64 | 18 | .780 | 10 | 8 | .556 |
| 1997-98 | Minnesota | 45 | 37 | .549 | 2 | 3 | .400 | 2006-07 | Detroit | 53 | 29 | .646 | 10 | 6 | .625 |
| 1998-99 | Minnesota | 25 | 25 | .500 | 1 | 3 | .250 | 2007-08 | Detroit | 59 | 23 | .720 | 10 | 7 | .588 |
| 1999-00 | Minnesota | 50 | 32 | .610 | 1 | 3 | .250 | 2009-10 | Washington | 26 | 56 | .317 | | | |
| 2000-01 | Minnesota | 47 | 35 | .573 | 1 | 3 | .250 | 2010-11 | Washington | 23 | 59 | .280 | | | |
| 2001-02 | Minnesota | 50 | 32 | .610 | 0 | 3 | .000 | 2011-12 | Washington | 2 | 15 | .118 | | | |
| 2002-03 | Minnesota | 51 | 31 | .622 | 2 | 4 | .333 | 2014-15 | Minnesota | 1 | 1 | .500 | | | |
| 2003-04 | Minnesota | 58 | 24 | .707 | 10 | 8 | .556 | Career | 16 Seasons | 639 | 527 | .548 | 47 | 51 | .480 |

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Player Bios:

ANTHONY BENNETT

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#24

2nd Year

Preseason Averages:

10.0 ppg 49.0 FG% 5.8 rpg 0.3 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 13:54 | 4-8 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 9 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 13:56 | 2-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 |

Notable: Led the Wolves with 17 points vs. Indiana on Oct. 21... Had his 2015-16 contract option exercised on Oct. 19... Notched a double-double on Oct. 17 vs. Milwaukee... Acquired from Cleveland on Aug. 23 as part of a three-team trade that saw the Wolves also pick up Andrew Wiggins from the Cavs and Thaddeus Young from Philadelphia, while sending Kevin Love to Cleveland and Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté, Alexey Shved and a 2015 1st-round draft pick to the 76ers... Played for Cleveland's entry in the 2014 Las Vegas Summer League, tallying 13.3 ppg (42.6%) and 7.8 rpg in four contests (29.8 mpg).

2013-14: Completed his rookie season in the NBA by appearing in 52 games (all off the bench), missing 20 due to injury/illness including a month-long stretch (Mar. 12-Apr. 12, 17 games) with a strained left patellar tendon... Averaged 4.2 ppg (35.6%) and 3.0 rpg while logging 12.8 mpg... Notched a pair of double-doubles, highlighted by a season-high 19 points (on 6-for-9 shooting) and 10 rebounds vs. Sacramento on Feb. 11... Hauled down a season-best 11 rebounds on Feb. 18 at Philadelphia... Reached double figures in scoring on six occasions, with five of those coming in a three-week run (Jan. 28-Feb. 18) that saw him tally 8.7 ppg and 5.4 rpg while shooting 41.2% (7-for-17) from beyond the arc... Had 15 points and eight rebounds in a season-high 31:16 vs. New Orleans on Jan. 28... Signed to a two-year contract on Aug. 20... Selected by the Cavs in the 1st round (1st overall) of the 2013 NBA Draft, becoming the first Canadian-born player ever to be taken with the #1 pick.

Career Highs – Anthony Bennett

| | | | |
|-----------|----|--------------------------|----------|
| Points: | 19 | vs. Sacramento | 2/11/14 |
| Rebounds: | 11 | @ Philadelphia | 2/18/14 |
| Assists: | 2 | MR: @ Philadelphia..... | 2/18/14 |
| Steals: | 2 | MR: vs. L.A. Lakers..... | 2/5/14 |
| Blocks: | 1 | MR: vs. Detroit..... | 10/30/14 |
| Minutes: | 31 | vs. New Orleans..... | 1/28/14 |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------|-----|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 1 game | 6.0 | .333 | .000 | .000 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 2.0 |

COREY BREWER

F 6-9 186 Florida '07

#13

8th Year

Preseason Averages:

8.2 ppg 51.2 FG% 3.0 rpg 1.2 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 26:31 | 2-7 | 0-2 | 2-2 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 29:17 | 3-6 | 1-1 | 1-2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 |

Notable: Started six of the seven preseason games... Contributed a preseason-high 14 points vs. Philadelphia on Oct. 10.

2013-14: Returned to Minnesota for his seventh NBA campaign, having signed as an unrestricted free agent to a three-year contract on July 12... Started 81 games, missing only Feb. 5 at Oklahoma City due to personal reasons... Averaged 12.3 ppg, 2.6 rpg and 1.7 apg (in 32.2 mpg) *while shooting a career-high 48.1% from the floor*, 28.0% from three-point range and 71.8% from the FT line... Boosted his scoring to 15.9 ppg (on 55.0% shooting) over the final 15 contests; he attempted just 81 treys in his final 46 games, compared to 130 in the first 35... Ranked 7th in the NBA in steals by swiping a career-best 1.85 spg, and also finished 4th in fast break scoring (5.2 ppg)... *Exploded for a career-high 51 points Apr. 11 vs. Houston (tying Kevin Love's franchise single-game record), adding a career-best six steals*... He becomes the fourth player in NBA history to collect 50+ points and 6+ steals in the same game, joining Rick Barry, Allen Iverson and Michael Jordan... Swiped 4+ steals in four straight games (Apr. 5-11), equaling the longest such streak by any NBA player since Baron Davis put together seven in a row in Nov. 2003... Passed Doug West (428) for 3rd place on the Wolves' all-time steal chart Apr. 8 vs. San Antonio... Played a career-high 47:32 on Mar. 19 at Dallas... Tallied a game-high 26 points Feb. 8 vs. Portland, one of seven 20+ performances on the year... *Snagged a season-high 12 rebounds Dec. 15 at Memphis, his fifth career double-digit night*; he also went over the 4000-career-point mark in that contest... The five 3-pointers Nov. 13 vs. Cleveland are one shy of his career best... He's the 11th player to enlist for two separate stints with the Wolves.

Milestones: Needs 31 games for 500, and 303 points to reach the 5000 mark for his NBA career.

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 35:01 | 5-8 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 11 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | 32:19 | 4-9 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 9 |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 10 games | 23.7 | .415 | .280 | .353 | 2.4 | 1.7 | 1.80 | 1.3 | 0.40 | 8.1 |

CHASE BUDINGER

F 6-7 209 Arizona '09

#10

6th Year

Preseason Averages:

10.3 ppg 48.9 FG% 3.5 rpg 0.8 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|--------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 14:47 | 0-4 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | DNP-CD | | | | | | | | | |

Notable: Chipped in preseason highs with 15 points and seven rebounds on Oct. 22 at Milwaukee; the minute total represents a team preseason best.

2013-14: Endured another injury-shortened season, his second in Minnesota and fifth in the NBA... Saw action in 41 games, having been sidelined for the first 34 contests following arthroscopic surgery on his left knee (making his season debut Jan. 8 vs. Phoenix) and missing the final six due to a sprained right ankle... Averaged a career-low 6.7 ppg, 2.5 rpg and 0.8 apg while logging 18.3 mpg; his 39.4% accuracy from the floor is also the lowest of his NBA career, although he hit 35.0% from three-point range and 82.1% from the FT line...

Career Highs – Chase Budinger

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|----------------------------|----------|
| Points: | 35 | @ Minnesota..... | 4/13/11 |
| Rebounds: | 12 | MR: @ Miami..... | 2/9/10 |
| Assists: | 6 | vs. Orlando..... | 2/24/10 |
| Steals: | 3 | MR: @ Chicago..... | 11/10/12 |
| Blocks: | 2 | MR: vs. L.A. Clippers..... | 4/9/11 |
| Minutes: | 45 | @ Boston..... | 4/2/10 |

Made eight starts, tallying 10.5 ppg in 23.6 mpg while going 14-for-32 (43.8%) from three-point range in those outings... Scored 24 points Apr. 4 at Miami, his high since netting 27 for Houston vs. New Orleans on Apr. 26, 2012; he also collected season highs with four assists in 37:44... Grabbed a season-high seven rebounds Mar. 26 vs. Atlanta... Netted 10.0 ppg (46.3%) in 21.7 mpg in his final nine appearances... Came off the bench in all 15 of his March appearances, after starting the final seven in February... Contributed 19 points Feb. 8 vs. Portland, one of 11 double-figure scoring nights... Re-signed to a three-year contract on July 12.

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 19:36 | 5-7 | 2-2 | 0-0 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | DNP-Sprained Right Ankle | | | | | | | | | |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 7 games | 21.3 | .462 | .522 | .833 | 2.7 | 2.3 | 0.57 | 0.7 | 0.00 | 9.3 |

GORGUI DIENG

C 6-11 233 Louisville '13

#5

2nd Year

Preseason Averages:

9.9 ppg 52.2 FG% 6.4 rpg 1.1 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 19:14 | 3-4 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 6 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 17:20 | 1-2 | 0-0 | 2-2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 |

Notable: Had his 2015-16 contract option exercised on Oct. 19... Contributed a preseason-high 16 points on Oct. 17 vs. Milwaukee in Cedar Rapids... Started the Oct. 7 opener at Indiana, notching a double-double (16 points, 10 rebounds)... Played for Sénégal at the 2014 FIBA World Cup in Spain, averaging a team-high 16.0 ppg (42.0%), 10.7 rpg and 2.0 apg in six games... Played in six contests with the Wolves' entry in the 2014 Las Vegas Summer League, tallying 11.5 ppg (44.6%), 10.2 rpg and 1.67 bpg in 29.8 mpg.

Career Highs – Gorgui Dieng

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|------------------------|---------|
| Points: | 22 | @ Houston..... | 3/20/14 |
| Rebounds: | 21 | @ Houston..... | 3/20/14 |
| Assists: | 4 | MR: @ Sacramento..... | 4/13/14 |
| Steals: | 3 | vs. L.A. Clippers..... | 3/31/14 |
| Blocks: | 5 | vs. Sacramento..... | 3/16/14 |
| Minutes: | 41 | vs. Atlanta..... | 3/26/14 |

2013-14: Closed his rookie NBA campaign on the upswing, highlighted by being named Western Conference Rookie of the Month for March... Saw action in 60

games overall, including 33 of the final 35; he averaged 4.8 ppg and 5.0 rpg (in 13.6 mpg) while shooting 49.8% from the floor and 63.4% from the FT line... Started 15 of the final 18 contests, averaging 12.0 ppg and 11.3 rpg in 30.2 mpg and hitting 52.8% (84-for-159) from the floor in those 18 while collecting nine double-doubles... Hit the game-winning shot with :04.6 left Apr. 11 vs. Houston, capping a 12-point, 20-rebound performance... Became the fifth player in Wolves history to record a 20-point/20-rebound game Mar. 20 at Houston (22 pts/21 reb), joining Kevin Garnett, Tom Gugliotta, Al Jefferson and Kevin Love... He's also just the fourth NBA rookie in the past 20 years to accomplish that feat (Joe Smith, Tim Duncan, DeJuan Blair)... Also dealt a season-high four assists in the Mar. 20 game at Houston... Made his first start Mar. 16 vs. Sacramento; the five blocks tied a team season best... Signed to a two-year contract on July 13... Acquired from Utah (along with Shabazz Muhammad) in exchange for Trey Burke in a draft-night transaction on June 27; he was selected by the Jazz in the 1st round (21st overall) of the 2013 NBA Draft.

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 9:37 | 0-2 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | 31:22 | 3-8 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 9 |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------|------|------|------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 2 games | 20.5 | .300 | .000 | 1.000 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 1.5 | 1.50 | 4.5 |

ROBBIE HUMMEL

F 6-9 219 Purdue '12

#4
2nd Year

Preseason Averages:
7.5 ppg 50.0 FG% 4.3 rpg 1.8 apg

| Last 2 Games | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|--------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | DNP-CD | | | | | | | | | |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | DNP-CD | | | | | | | | | |

Notable: Averaged 9.3 ppg (61.1%) and 4.0 in his final three preseason games (13.7 mpg)... Registered preseason bests with 13 points and seven rebounds on Oct. 19 vs. Oklahoma City... Re-signed to a one-year contract on July 23.

2013-14: One of three rookies on the Wolves' roster this season, he appeared in 53 games (five starts), including 19 of the final 20... Contributed 3.4 ppg and 2.5 rpg in 12.4 mpg while shooting 37.9% from the field, 36.0% from beyond the arc and 93.8% from the FT line... *Closed the season by connecting on 17 of his final 32 three-point attempts (53.1%)* over a 16-game stretch... Netted a season-high 12 points Apr. 5 at Orlando, his fourth double-digit scoring night...

Career Highs – Robbie Hummel

| | | | |
|-----------|----|--------------------------|---------|
| Points: | 12 | @ Orlando..... | 4/5/14 |
| Rebounds: | 9 | vs. Utah..... | 4/16/14 |
| Assists: | 3 | MR: vs. Houston..... | 4/11/14 |
| Steals: | 2 | MR: vs. Utah | 4/16/14 |
| Blocks: | 1 | MR: @ Oklahoma City..... | 2/5/14 |
| Minutes: | 35 | vs. San Antonio | 4/8/14 |

Claimed a season-high eight rebounds Feb. 23 at Portland; *he averaged 9.7 reb/48 on the year*... Signed to a one-year contract on Sept. 26... Originally chosen by Minnesota in the 2nd round (58th overall) of the 2012 NBA Draft... Member of the Wolves' entry at the 2013 Las Vegas Summer League, where he tallied 8.6 ppg and 5.8 rpg.

| 2013-14 vs. Chicago | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|----------|------|------|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | Inactive | | | | | | | | | |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | 31:37 | 3-6 | 0-1 | 1-1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Career vs. Chicago | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
| 1 game..... | 32.0 | .500 | .000 | 1.000 | 5.0 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0.00 | 7.0 |

ZACH LaVINE

G 6-5 183 UCLA '14

#8
Rookie

Preseason Averages:
5.6 ppg 41.0 FG% 2.7 rpg 1.0 apg

| Last 2 Games | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|--------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | DNP-CD | | | | | | | | | |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 4:34 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Notable: Thursday's debut made him the 3rd-youngest player ever to appear in a regular-season game for the Timberwolves... Started the Oct. 17 game vs. Milwaukee in Cedar Rapids... Collected a preseason-high 15 points vs. Philadelphia on Oct. 10... Played for the Timberwolves' entry at the 2014 Las Vegas Summer League, where he averaged 15.7 ppg (39.7%), 4.3 rpg and 2.8 apg in six contests (32.3 mpg)... Netted 20 points vs. Phoenix on July 16 and added 22 points vs. New Orleans on July 18... Signed to a two-year contract on July 8... Chosen by Minnesota in the 1st round (13th overall) of the 2014 NBA Draft.

2013-14: Saw action in all 37 games as a freshman, helping UCLA put together a 28-9 record and advance to the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament... Averaged 9.4 ppg, 2.5 rpg and 1.8 apg in 24.4 mpg, shooting 44.1% from the floor and 37.5% (48-for-128) from three-point distance... Named to the Pac-12 All-Freshman Team... Made his lone start in the Feb. 27 double-OT game vs. Oregon, contributing 18 points, a season-high eight rebounds and five assists in 48 minutes... Tallied a season-high 21 points (on 7-for-9 shooting) Nov. 28 vs. Nevada, and followed up with 18 points (again hitting 7-for-9 from the floor) the next night vs. Northwestern to All-Tournament honors at the Continental Tire Las Vegas Invitational... Chipped in 19 points vs. Arizona State on Jan. 12 and dealt a season-high six assists vs. Stanford on Jan. 23... Opened the season 19-for-34 (55.9%) from beyond the arc in his first eight outings.

NIKOLA PEKOVIC

C 6-11 295 Montenegro

#14

5th Year

Preseason Averages:

9.3 ppg 42.0 FG% 7.0 rpg 1.2 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 28:46 | 2-9 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 30:40 | 7-13 | 0-0 | 3-3 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 17 |

Notable: Collected his first double-double of the season (67th career) vs. Detroit on Thursday... Posted preseason highs with 15 points and 13 rebounds at Milwaukee on Oct. 22, his third double-digit scoring effort.

2013-14: Saw his fourth year in Minnesota and the NBA truncated by injury...

Started the first 44 contests before being sidelined for 28 of the final 38 due to bursitis in his right ankle... Appeared in 54 games overall, averaging a career-high 17.4 ppg and 8.7 rpg while logging 30.8 mpg... Shot 54.0% from the field -- *good for 12th in the NBA as well as the second-best percentage in franchise history* (trailing only his 56.4% effort in 2011-12) -- and 74.7% from the line...

Was the Wolves' top scorer seven times and leading rebounder on eight occasions, tallying 20+ points 19 times and notching 23 point/rebound double-doubles... Returned from a six-game absence Mar. 28 vs. the L.A. Lakers, scoring a game-high 26 points on 9-for-10 shooting... Contributed 23 points and 11 rebounds Jan. 25 at Portland, *capping an 18-game spree that saw him average 21.8 ppg (55.2%) and 10.3 rpg...* It was his 30th career 20-point/10-rebound outing (11th this season)... Collected game highs of 27 points and 14 rebounds vs. Utah on Jan. 21, and snared a season-high 14 rebounds Jan. 6 at Philadelphia... *Erupted for a career-high 34 points Dec. 22 at the L.A. Clippers*, one of three 30+ nights this year... Pulled in 10 offensive rebounds Dec. 20 at the L.A. Lakers; he's just the third player in club history to grab 8+ offensive boards in consecutive games... Tallied 30 points Dec. 18 vs. Portland, and tied his career high with four assists Nov. 10 at the L.A. Lakers... Re-signed to a five-year contract on Aug. 16.

Milestones: Needs 30 points to reach the 3000 plateau for his NBA career.

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 6:00 | 0-1 | 0-0 | 1-2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | Inactive-Sore Right Ankle | | | | | | | | | |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 4 games | 24.0 | .571 | .000 | .636 | 5.3 | 0.3 | 0.00 | 2.3 | 1.25 | 9.8 |

Career Highs – Nikola Pekovic

| | | | |
|-----------|----|---------------------------|----------|
| Points: | 34 | @ L.A. Clippers | 12/22/13 |
| Rebounds: | 18 | MR: vs. Philadelphia..... | 2/20/13 |
| Assists: | 4 | MR: @ L.A. Lakers..... | 11/10/13 |
| Steals: | 3 | MR: @ Phoenix | 2/26/13 |
| Blocks: | 4 | MR: @ Utah | 1/2/13 |
| Minutes: | 46 | @ L.A. Clippers | 12/22/13 |

GLENN ROBINSON III

F 6-7 222 Michigan '14

#1

Rookie

Preseason Averages:

4.0 ppg 55.6 FG% 1.8 rpg 1.4 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|----------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | DNP-CD | | | | | | | | | |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | Inactive | | | | | | | | | |

Notable: Chipped in six points and three assists in the Oct. 7 preseason opener at Indiana... Signed to a one-year contract on Sept. 17... Member of the Timberwolves' entry at the 2014 Las Vegas Summer League, where he averaged 7.7 ppg (38.5%) and 3.0 rpg while playing 22.5 mpg in six games... Collected 17 points vs. New Orleans on July 18... Selected by Minnesota in the 2nd round (40th overall) of the 2014 NBA Draft.

2013-14: Started all 37 games as Michigan reached the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament and finished with a 28-9 record (15-3 in the Big Ten for its first outright conference championship since 1986)... Tallied 13.1 ppg and 4.4 rpg in 32.3 mpg, shooting 48.8% from the floor, 30.6% (33-for-108) from three-point range and 75.7% from the FT line... Scored a career-high 23 points on Dec. 28 vs. Holy Cross and also had 23 points vs. Nebraska on Feb. 5; he had four 20+ game overall among 28 double-digit scoring nights... Blocked a career-high four shots Jan. 2 at Minnesota and pulled down a season-high nine rebounds Jan. 22 vs. Iowa... Became only the fourth sophomore in school history to be named team captain... Earned All-Big Ten honorable mention accolades.

RICKY RUBIO

G 6-4 192 Spain

#9

4th Year

Preseason Averages:

11.3 ppg 43.5 FG% 2.0 rpg 5.7 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 35:48 | 5-12 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 12 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 29:15 | 4-10 | 0-0 | 3-5 | 7 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 11 |

Notable: Ranks 11th in the NBA in assists (7.5 apg)... Added a team- and preseason-high 19 points on Oct. 24 vs. Chicago... Finished 11th in preseason assists (5.7 apg) as well as 5th in steals (2.00 spg)... Played for host Spain at the 2014 FIBA World Cup, averaging 5.4 ppg (32.3%), 4.4 rpg, 5.1 apg and a tournament-best 3.57 spg in seven starts.

2013-14: Completed his third NBA season by becoming the 10th player in Wolves history to start all 82 games... Averaged 9.5 ppg, 4.2 rpg and a career-best 8.6 rpg -- good for 4th in the NBA and the top single-season figure by a Minnesota player since Terrell Brandon dished 8.9 apg in 1999-2000... Also ranked 2nd in the league in steals (2.32 spg); his 190 total steals broke the franchise record previously held by Tyrone Corbin (175 in 1989-90)...

Shot 38.1% from the floor, 33.1% from three-point range and 80.2% from the FT line... Collected 15 point/assist double-doubles (boosting his career total to 40) and notched a pair of triple-doubles: Nov. 10 at the L.A. Lakers (12 pts/10 reb/14 ast) and Mar. 19 at Dallas (22/10/15)... Played a career-high 49:08 in that Dallas contest; the 10 rebounds equaled his season high... Scored 20+ points four times and was Minnesota's leading scorer on three occasions; he led the Wolves across the board with 19 points, eight rebounds and five assists Feb. 5 at Oklahoma City... Tied the club single-game record by dishing 17 assists vs. Indiana on Feb. 19, joining six others (most recently Chauncey Billups vs. Dallas on Mar. 28, 2002)... Swiped a season-high seven steals Feb. 12 vs. Denver, and tallied a career-high 25 points Feb. 8 vs. Portland... The Jan. 21 outing at Utah was the 12th 4x5 (11 pts/5 reb/13 ast/5 stl) night of his career (third this season)... Dealt his 1000th career assist Dec. 30 vs. Dallas... Had his 2014-15 contract option exercised on Oct. 26... Helped Spain earn a bronze medal at EuroBasket 2013.

Career Highs – Ricky Rubio

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|---------------------------|---------|
| Points: | 25 | vs. Portland..... | 2/8/14 |
| Rebounds: | 13 | vs. San Antonio..... | 3/12/13 |
| Assists: | 17 | vs. Indiana..... | 2/19/14 |
| Steals: | 8 | @ Milwaukee..... | 4/3/13 |
| Blocks: | 2 | MR: vs. New Orleans | 1/1/14 |
| Minutes: | 49 | @ Dallas | 3/19/14 |

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 30:24 | 3-8 | 0-1 | 3-4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 9 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | 32:28 | 5-14 | 1-2 | 4-4 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|
| 4 games | 32.8 | .439 | .250 | .750 | 4.0 | 7.5 | 1.75 | 2.3 | 0.00 | 13.0 |

RONNY TURIAF

C 6-10 249 Gonzaga '05

#32

10th Year

Preseason Averages:

2.3 ppg 60.0 FG% 4.3 rpg 0.7 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | Inactive-Sore Right Hip | | | | | | | | | |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | Inactive-Sore Right Hip | | | | | | | | | |

Notable: Has been sidelined for the first two games due to soreness in his right hip, and is listed as questionable for tonight's contest... Started the Oct. 19 contest vs. Oklahoma City in Tulsa... Registered preseason highs with six rebounds in 15:15 on Oct. 7 at Indiana.

2013-14: His ninth NBA campaign (first with the Wolves) saw a pair of injuries limit him to 31 games (10 starts)... Sidelined for 31 games (Nov. 3-Jan. 4) after sustaining a radial head fracture in his right elbow Nov. 1 vs. Oklahoma City, and missed 19 more (Feb. 22-Mar. 31) due to a bone bruise on his right knee suffered Feb. 19 vs. Indiana... Averaged 4.8 ppg, 5.6 rpg and 1.61 bpg; on a per-48 basis, his 3.96 blocks led all NBA players (min. 500 minutes played)...

Shot 59.8% from the floor but just 42.0% from the line... Had started 10 straight games before the Feb. 19 injury vs. Indiana, netting 5.4 ppg and 7.5 rpg in 27.5 mpg in those starts... Hauled in 13 rebounds Feb. 8 vs. Portland, one of five double-digit efforts this year... The five blocks in Atlanta on Feb. 1 equaled a team season best... Scored 14 points (in 32:23) Jan. 27 at Chicago, his high totals since tallying 19 points in 37:36 at Portland on Jan. 11, 2011... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a two-year contract on July 18; Minnesota is his seventh NBA team.

Milestone: Needs 29 games to reach the 500 mark for his NBA career.

Career Highs – Ronny Turiaf

| | | | |
|-----------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|
| Points: | 23 | @ Golden State..... | 11/1/06 |
| Rebounds: | 15 | vs. Phoenix | 4/8/07 |
| Assists: | 8 | MR: @ Golden State | 11/19/10 |
| Steals: | 3 | MR: vs. San Antonio..... | 11/7/12 |
| Blocks: | 6 | MR: vs. Indiana | 1/2/11 |
| Minutes: | 40 | vs. Oklahoma City | 1/21/09 |

2013-14 vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|---------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Jan. 27 at Chicago | 32:23 | 6-7 | 0-0 | 2-3 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 14 |
| Apr. 9 at Minnesota | 16:38 | 5-7 | 0-0 | 1-1 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 11 |

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| 11 games | 16.6 | .575 | .000 | .692 | 3.7 | 0.3 | 0.45 | 0.8 | 1.18 | 5.0 |

ANDREW WIGGINS

F 6-8 199 Kansas '14

#22

Rookie

Preseason Averages:

11.8 ppg 41.0 FG% 3.8 rpg 1.5 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 18:33 | 2-5 | 1-1 | 1-2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 23:48 | 4-9 | 0-0 | 0-3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 8 |

Notable: Scored all eight of his points in the 3rd quarter vs. Detroit... Became the 2nd-youngest player ever to start a game for the Wolves (behind Kevin Garnett) with Wednesday's appearance at Memphis... Missed the final three preseason games due to a lower back contusion suffered Oct. 19 vs. Oklahoma City... Tallied a game-high 18 points in the Oct. 7 preseason opener at Indiana... Acquired from Cleveland on Aug. 23 as part of a three-team trade that saw the Wolves also secure Anthony Bennett from the Cavaliers and Thaddeus Young from Philadelphia, while sending Kevin Love to Cleveland and Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté, Alexey Shved and a 2015 1st-round draft pick to the 76ers... Played for the Cavs' entry in the Las Vegas Summer League, averaging 15.5 ppg (40.5%), 3.5 rpg and 1.50 bpg in four appearances (30.0 mpg)... Signed by Cleveland to a two-year contract on July 24.

2013-14: Completed his freshman season at Kansas by being named to the John R. Wooden All-America Team and earning Second Team All-America honors from the NABC, USBWA, SI.com and The Sporting News... Led the Jayhawks to a 25-10 record by tallying a team-high 17.1 ppg, setting the school's single-season freshman scoring record (597 points)... Added 5.9 rpg and 1.5 apg while swiping a team-leading 41 steals and blocking 34 shots; he shot 44.8% from the field, 34.1% (43-for-126) from three-point distance and 77.5% (176-for-227) from the FT line... Poured in a season-high 41 points (adding eight rebounds, a season-high five steals and a season-high four blocks) Mar. 8 at West Virginia, the most ever scored by a Kansas freshman and the most by any Jayhawk player since 1991... Tallied 20+ points on 11 occasions, including a 30-point effort (logging a season-high 45 minutes) on Mar. 13 vs. Oklahoma State in the Big 12 Conference Tournament... Finished with 17 points and a season-high 19 rebounds Jan. 13 at Iowa State, one of two double-doubles; he had 26 points (hitting a season-best four three-pointers) and 11 rebounds Dec. 10 at Florida.

MO WILLIAMS

G 6-1 198 Alabama '03

#25

12th Year

Preseason Averages:

12.8 ppg 56.8 FG% 2.6 rpg 5.2 apg

Last 2 Games

| | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 25:46 | 6-9 | 2-3 | 4-4 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 18 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 24:23 | 6-11 | 0-3 | 1-2 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 13 |

Notable: Netted a team-high 19 points vs. Oklahoma City on Oct. 19, the second time he led the Wolves... Ranked 3rd in preseason three-point accuracy (66.7%) and 17th in assists (5.2 apg)... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a one-year contract on July 30; Minnesota becomes his seventh NBA team.

2013-14: Completed his 11th NBA campaign and first in Portland by helping the Blazers put together a 54-28 record (matching their best since 1999-2000) and advance to the Western Conference Semifinals... Appeared in 74 games (all off the bench), missing three due to injury; he also sat out the Nov. 25 game vs. New York while serving a one-game league suspension... Tallied 9.7 ppg and 4.3 apg in 24.8 mpg while shooting 41.7% from the floor, 36.9% (83-for-225) from three-point range and 87.6% from the FT line... Added 7.4 ppg (37.3%) and 1.9 apg in eight postseason outings, but missed the final three games vs. San Antonio due to a strained groin... Netted 17 points in Game 3 vs. Houston (Apr. 25) after scoring 13 points two nights earlier... Played in his 700th NBA game (while also pulling down his 2000th career rebound) on Mar. 24 at Miami... Chipped in a season-high 23 points (in a season-best 34:19) on Mar. 18 vs. Milwaukee, and led the Trail Blazers with 21 points and seven assists Feb. 26 vs. Brooklyn... Reached double figures on 32 occasions (with Portland going 25-7) and collected a pair of point/assist double-doubles, most recently totaling 10 points and a season-high 11 assists Mar. 9 at Houston... Also dished 11 assists Mar. 27 at Atlanta, and added 15 points and 10 assists Jan. 2 vs. Charlotte... Signed a two-year contract with Portland on Aug. 8, the second year being a player option.

Milestone: Needs 512 points to reach the 10,000 mark for his NBA career, and 59 three-pointers for 1000.

Career vs. Chicago

| | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|----------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|
| 29 games | 30.4 | .384 | .381 | .914 | 3.1 | 5.6 | 1.00 | 2.6 | 0.14 | 11.8 |

Career Highs – Mo Williams

| | | | |
|-----------|----|-------------------|----------|
| Points: | 44 | vs. Phoenix | 2/11/09 |
| Rebounds: | 11 | vs. Miami..... | 12/20/06 |
| Assists: | 15 | @ Chicago | 12/28/07 |
| Steals: | 6 | @ Charlotte..... | 1/6/08 |
| Blocks: | 4 | vs. Atlanta | 4/2/10 |
| Minutes: | 51 | @ Cleveland | 12/17/07 |

THADDEUS YOUNG

F 6-8 221 Georgia Tech '07 #33 8th Year

Preseason Averages:
10.0 ppg 44.1 FG% 3.1 rpg 1.7 apg

| Last 2 Games | Min | FG-A | 3P-A | FT-A | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| Oct. 29 at Memphis | 34:06 | 10-18 | 2-3 | 4-4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 26 |
| Oct. 30 vs. Detroit..... | 34:05 | 7-13 | 2-4 | 3-3 | 5 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 19 |

Notable: Ranks 15th in scoring (22.5 ppg)... Collected 26 points at Memphis, tying Donyell Marshall (Nov. 4, 1994 at Denver) for the top point total ever by a player in his Wolves debut... Was the only Minnesota player to start all seven preseason games... Contributed 17 points and five steals Oct. 24 vs. Chicago, going 4-for-5 from long distance... Ranked 9th in steals (1.86 spg) during the preseason... Acquired from Philadelphia on Aug. 23 as part of a three-team trade that saw the Wolves also pick up Anthony Bennett and Andrew Wiggins from Cleveland, while sending Kevin Love to the Cavaliers and Luc Richard Mbah a Mouté, Alexey Shved and a 2015 1st-round draft pick to the 76ers.

| Career Highs – Thaddeus Young | | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Points: | 32 | @ Toronto.....3/7/10 |
| Rebounds: | 16 | vs. Golden State.....3/2/13 |
| Assists: | 10 | vs. Indiana.....3/14/14 |
| Steals: | 8 | vs. Oklahoma City.....1/25/14 |
| Blocks: | 4 | MR: @ Memphis.....12/26/12 |
| Minutes: | 48 | vs. Orlando.....12/3/13 |

2013-14: Completed his seventh season in Philadelphia by appearing in 79 games... Averaged a career-high 17.9 ppg, 6.0 rpg, 2.3 apg and 2.11 spg in 34.4 mpg; he ranked 3rd in the NBA in steals... Shot a career-low 45.4% from the floor and 71.2% from the FT line... Went 90-for-292 (30.8%) from beyond the arc after attempting only 12 treys in the previous two seasons combined... Collected 10 point/rebound double-doubles -- including three games with 30+ pts/10+ reb -- and also posted the first point/assist double-double of his career by tallying 25 points and a career-high 10 assists vs. Indiana on Mar. 14... Boosted his scoring average to 19.4 ppg following All-Star Weekend (28 games) but saw his FG accuracy dip to 41.5% in that stretch; he'd shot 48.0% prior to the Break... Notched season highs with 30 points and 13 rebounds vs. Dallas on Feb. 21, adding six assists and seven steals... Picked off a career-high eight steals Jan. 25 vs. Oklahoma City, one of seven games with 5+ on the year... Sank the game-winning three-pointer with :03.2 remaining in the 95-92 victory over Charlotte on Jan. 15... Named Eastern Conference Player of the Week for Dec. 30-Jan. 5, the first such honor of his career... Put together back-to-back 30-point outings (Dec. 21 at Milwaukee, Dec. 28 at Phoenix), becoming the first Sixer to accomplish that feat since Allen Iverson in 2006; he tallied 30+ four times overall to raise his career total to six... Scored the 7000th point of his NBA career on Apr. 9 at Toronto, and played in his 500th career game on Mar. 15 vs. Memphis.

| Career vs. Chicago | Min | FG% | 3Pt% | FT% | Reb | Ast | Stl | TO | Blk | Pts |
|--------------------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|
| 22 games | 30.3 | .482 | .306 | .710 | 6.0 | 1.3 | 1.23 | 1.1 | 0.86 | 14.6 |