

OFFENSIVE STARTERS			
POS	**No.**	**Name**	**Career Start**
QB	#18	Clayton Thorson	32
RB	#21	Justin Jackson	37
SB	#9	Garrett Dickerson	19
WR	#15	Macan Wilson	4
WR	#2	Flynn Nagel	16
WR	#88	Bennett Skowronek	4
LT	#72	Blake Hance	28
LG	#59	J.B. Butler	11
C	#69	Brad North	23
RG	#71	Tommy Doles	19
RT	#70	Rashawn Slater	5

DEFENSIVE STARTERS			
POS	**No.**	**Name**	**Career Start**
DE	#97	Joe Gaziano	6
DT	#67	Tyler Lancaster	32
DT	#99	Jordan Thompson	17
DE	#91	Samdup Miller	6
WLB	#51	Blake Gallagher	1
MLB	#10	Brett Walsh	11
SLB	#32	Nate Hall	18
CB	#7	Marcus McShepard	4
S	#21	Kyle Queiro	18
S	#41	Jared McGee	5
CB	#24	Montre Hartage	17

Offense Game Notes

- With a four-yard carry in the first quarter, **senior running back Justin Jackson** passed Damien Anderson (4,485; 1998-2001) as the program's all-time leading rusher.
  - **Jackson** rushed 28 times for a season-high 171 yards and two touchdowns. His two touchdowns moved him past Darnell Autry (35; 1994-96) for second in program history with 36 career rushing touchdowns.
  - With two touchdowns, Jackson moved past Jason Wright (35; 2000-03) into a tie with Darnell Autry (37; 1994-96) and Tyrell Sutton (37; 2005-08) for second in program history with 37 career touchdowns.
  - **Jackson** moved past Damien Anderson (4,485; Northwestern), Denard Robinson (4,495; Michigan) and Darnell Thompson (4,518; Minnesota) into 10th on the Big Ten's career rushing list with 4,639 career rushing yards.
  - Saturday marked Jackson's 23rd career game with 100-plus rushing yards. The Wildcats are 19-4 when Jackson surpasses 100 yards.
- With an eight-yard reception in the third quarter, **Jackson** passed Damien Anderson (5,271; 1998-01) as the program's all-time leader in all-purpose yards. Jackson finished the game with 174 all-purpose yards and now holds the program record with 5,350 total.
- **Sophomore wide receiver Charlie Fessler** hauled in a career-long 30-yard catch in the second quarter. Fessler finished the game with career highs of two receptions and 38 receiving yards
  - Fessler entered the game with one career catch for seven yards.
- **Junior wide receiver Flynn Nagel** scored his first touchdown of the season with a 14-yard reception in the second quarter to give the Wildcats a 24-14 lead.
  - The touchdown was the third of Nagel's career.

- **Junior quarterback Clayton Thorson** 27-of-49 passes for 293 yards and a touchdown and scored on an 18-yard run.
  - **Thorson's** 18-yard touchdown run in the second quarter was his third rushing touchdown of the season and 13th of his career.
  - Thorson finished the game with nine carries for a season-high 43 yards and was sacked only once in the contest.
  - With 293 yards passing in the game, Thorson moved past Trevor Siemian (5,931; 2011-14) for fourth in program history with 6,200 career passing yards.
  - With 27 completions, Thorson also moved past Siemian (550; 2011-14) into fourth in program history with 567 career completions.
  - Thorson threw his 37th career passing touchdown with a 14-yard strike to Flynn Nagel in the second quarter. Thorson is seven passing touchdowns shy of Brett Basanez's (2002-05) and Len Williams' (1990-93) program record of 44.
  - Thorson matched his season high by completing a pass to nine different receivers
- **Senior wide receiver Macan Wilson** set a new career high with five receptions for 74 yards; Just 3 yards shy of his career high.
- **Redshirt first-year wide receiver Riley Lees** matched a season high with three catches for 39 yards.
  - Lees had a season-high 120 all-purpose yards in the contest.
- **Sophomore superback Cameron Green** led the Wildcats with a career-high six receptions for a career-high 49 receiving yards.

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Defensive/Special Teams Notes

- **First-year linebacker Blake Gallagher** made his first career start in place of linebacker Paddy Fisher. Gallagher made four tackles in the contest.
- **Junior safety Jared McGee** made his second start the season and fifth of his career in place of Godwin Igwebuike.
- **First-year kicker Charlie Kuhbander** matched his season-long with a 40-yard field goal in the first quarter.
    - **Kuhbander** made a 34-yard field goal in the third quarter, marking his first career game with at least two field goals. He added a 32-yard field goal in the fourth quarter, becoming the only first-year kicker in program history to make three field goals in a game.
    - The first-year kicker has made six consecutive field goals and 20 consecutive extra-point attempts since missing his first career attempt in the Wildcats' opener.
- **First-year defensive end Samdup Miller** recorded his third sack of the season with a six-yard loss in the second quarter. Miller has recorded a sack in all three Big Ten games this season.
    - **Miller** is the first Wildcat to record a sack in three-straight games since Ifeadi Odenigbo accomplished the feat in 2016 (Iowa, Oct. 1; Michigan State, Oct. 15; Indiana, Oct. 22)
    - **Miller** is also the first true first-year Wildcats to record a sack in three-straight games since Odenigbo accomplished that feat in 2013 (Nebraska, Nov. 2; Michigan, Nov. 16; Michigan State, Nov. 23)
- **Junior linebacker Nate Hall** set a career high in tackles for the second-consecutive week with 11 stop, including a career-high matching eight solo tackles and new career-high four tackles for loss. Hall has 21 tackles (16 solo) over his last two games.
- **Senior linebacker Brett Walsh** recorded the second sack of his career and finished the game with a career-high 1.5 tackles for loss.

Career Highs

- WR Macan Wilson: Receptions (5)
- LB Nate Hall: Tackles (11), solo tackles (8; tied), Tackles for Loss (3.5)
- WR Charlie Fessler: Receptions (2), Receiving Yards (38), Long Reception (30)
- WR Riley Lees: Receptions (3; tied), Kick Returns (3), Kick Return Yards (70), Long Kick Return (32), Punt Returns (2), Punt Return Yards (7), Long Punt Return (7)
- K Charlie Kuhbander: Field Goals Made (3), Field Goals Attempted (3), Long Field Goal (40; tied)
- WR Ramaud Chiaokhiao-Bowman: Receptions (1; tied), Receiving Yards (11), Long Reception (11)
- SB Cameron Green: Receptions (6), Receiving Yards (49), Long Reception (17)
- LB Brett Walsh: Sack (1; tied), Tackles for Loss (1.5)
- CB Alonzo Mayo: Tackles for Loss (1)
- DL Fred Wyatt: Tackles (3; tied), Tackle for Loss (1; tied)
- DE Samdup Miller: Sack (1; tied)
- DL Alex Miller: Pass Breakup (1; tied)
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Team Notes

- The victory improved Northwestern to 3-3 on the season and 1-2 in Big Ten play. The 'Cats play four of their next five games at home, starting with a matchup versus Iowa next Saturday.
- Northwestern selected heads and won the toss. The Wildcats chose to receive the football and defend the north goal.
- The Wildcats and Terrapins met for the first time in program history on Saturday.
- Northwestern finished the game with nine tackles for loss and now has 21 tackles for loss over the last two games.
- NU finished the game with 531 yards of total offense, surpassing 500 yards for the third time this season.
- Attendance: