Northwestern at Minnesota College Football Picks

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Northwestern Wildcats at No. 17(BCS) Minnesota Golden Gophers College Football Picks: Betting Line-Golden Gophers by 7 1/2 (Total 46) Kickoff 12:00 p.m. ET; Television-ESPN2;Metrodome; Minneapolis, Minn. Betting odds provided by Sportsbook.com.

Minnesota is riding a three-game winning streak after handing Purdue a 17-6 setback last Saturday in West Lafayette. The Golden Gophers opened the season 4-0 ,winning all four non-conference games, before dropping a 34-21 decision at Ohio State. Since then, Minnesota has defeated Indiana, Illinois and Purdue, with the Illinois and Purdue wins coming on the road.

Northwestern has lost two of its last three games after opening the season with five straight wins.A win today would put the Wildcats right back in the Big 10 championship picture.

Oddsmakers online at Sportsbook.com have installed the Golden Gophers favorites by a -7 1/2 chalk and -300 money line with a 46 total. As a road underdog, Wildcats backers are getting +250 money line odds.

Much like the Wildcats, the Gophers have bounced back from a disappointing 2007 season due largely to their defensive improvements. Minnesota ranks 20th nationally in scoring defense (17.1 ppg), 43rd in rushing defense (121.5 ypg), 47th in pass efficiency defense (118.4 rating) and 69th in total defense (362.8 ypg). Northwestern ranks 26th nationally in scoring defense (18.3 ppg), 34th in rushing defense (114.5 ypg), 41st in pass efficiency defense (116.5 rating) and 44th in total defense (335.1 ypg). The primary difference in the two units rests in turnover margin and takeaway Minnesota has 24 takeaways while Northwestern has just 16.

Northwestern continues to lead the Big Ten and rank among the nation's leaders in sacks (3.0 per game) and sacks allowed (0.88 pg). The Wildcats rank 12th and ninth, respectively, in those two categories nationally. NU is also second in the Big Ten and 18th nationally in tackles for loss (7.1 pg).

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