



PREGAME NOTES

Minnesota Timberwolves vs. Denver Nuggets November 3, 2016

Tonight's Matchup

- The Wolves trail in the regular season series, 44-70, and are 25-32 at home.
- Denver won the 2015-16 season series 3-1 and has won the last four meetings at Target Center. The Nuggets are 18-6 at Target Center since the 2004-05 season.

Wolves Notes

- The Wolves rank second in the NBA in first-quarter scoring (31.7 points) and first in field goal percentage (61.3%).
- Minnesota ranks second in the NBA in field goal percentage (49.2%) and three-point field goal percentage (41.7%).
- Tonight's anticipated starting lineup of Andrew Wiggins, Gorgui Dieng, Karl-Anthony Towns, Zach LaVine and Kris Dunn is the youngest current lineup in the NBA at 22.74 years of age.
- Zach LaVine is 11-for-22 from three-point range this season. He ranks fourth in the NBA in three-pointers made (3.7/game) and tied for 16th in three-point percentage. He also ranks 14th in scoring (23.7 ppg). LaVine needs one point to reach 2,000 for his career and five made three-pointers to tie Luke Ridnour (196) for 15th place on the team's all-time list.
- Andrew Wiggins ranks 14th in the NBA in scoring (23.7 ppg), fifth in three-point shooting percentage (57.1%) and fifth in free throw attempts per game (10.0). He needs 24 points to tie Terrell Brandon (3,157 points) for 15th place on the Wolves all-time scoring list.
- Gorgui Dieng ranks second in the NBA in field goal percentage at 64.3% (18-for-28) and 10th in rebounding (11.0 rpg).
- Kris Dunn ranks fifth among qualified rookies in scoring (7.3 ppg), third in assists (3.7 apg) and first in steals (2.00 spg) and fourth in minutes (21.4 mpg)

Nuggets Notes

- The Nuggets are 1-2 on the season, 1-1 on the road. They won the season opener at New Orleans, but have dropped the last two games: vs. Portland and at Toronto.
- The Nuggets return 11 players from last year's squad. The four new faces are rookies Malik Beasley, Jamal Murray and Juan Hernangomez and third-year player Jarnell Stokes. Denver has the sixth-youngest roster in the NBA with an average age of 25 years, 146 days.
- Jusuf Nurkic is averaging a double-double with 16.0 ppg and 12.0 rpg. He ranks tied for fifth in the league in rebounds and tied for sixth in blocks with 2.33 bpg.

Wolves Leaders

Andrew Wiggins	23.7 ppg
Zach LaVine	23.7 ppg
Gorgui Dieng	11.0 rpg
Ricky Rubio	6.5 apg

Nuggets Leaders

Will Barton	18.0 ppg
Jusuf Nurkic	12.0 rpg
Emmanual Mudiay	3.7 apg

