

2016-17 Timberwolves Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Score
10/26	at Memphis	L 98-102
10/29	at Sacramento	L103-106
11/1	Memphis	W116- 80
11/3	Denver	L 99-102
11/5	at Oklahoma City	L 92-112
11/8	at Brooklyn	L110-119
11/9	at Orlando	W123-107
11/12	L.A. Clippers	L105-119
11/13	L.A. Lakers	6:00 p.m.
11/15	Charlotte	7:00 p.m.
11/17	Philadelphia	7:00 p.m.
11/19	at Memphis	7:00 p.m.
11/21	Boston	7:00 p.m.
11/23	at New Orleans	8:30 p.m.
11/25	at Phoenix	8:00 p.m.
11/26	at Golden State	9:30 p.m.
11/28	Utah	7:00 p.m.
11/30	New York	7:00 p.m.
12/2	at New York	6:30 p.m.
12/3	at Charlotte	6:00 p.m.
12/6	San Antonio	7:00 p.m.
12/8	at Toronto	6:00 p.m.
12/9	Detroit	7:00 p.m.
12/11	Golden State	6:00 p.m.
12/13	at Chicago	7:00 p.m.
12/17	Houston	7:00 p.m.
12/19	Phoenix	7:00 p.m.
12/21	at Atlanta	6:30 p.m.
12/23	Sacramento	7:00 p.m.
12/25	at Oklahoma City	7:00 p.m.
12/26	Atlanta	7:00 p.m.
12/28	at Denver	8:00 p.m.
12/30	Milwaukee	7:00 p.m.
1/1	Portland	6:00 p.m.
1/3	at Philadelphia	6:00 p.m.
1/6	at Washington	6:00 p.m.
1/7	Utah	7:00 p.m.
1/9	Dallas	7:00 p.m.
1/11	Houston	7:00 p.m.
1/13	Oklahoma City	7:00 p.m.
1/15	at Dallas	3:00 p.m.
1/17	at San Antonio	7:30 p.m.
1/19	at L.A. Clippers	9:30 p.m.
1/22	Denver	6:00 p.m.
1/24	at Phoenix	8:00 p.m.
1/26	Indiana	7:00 p.m.
1/28	Brooklyn	8:00 p.m.
1/30	Orlando	7:00 p.m.
2/1	at Cleveland	6:00 p.m.
2/3	at Detroit	6:30 p.m.
2/4	Memphis	8:00 p.m.
2/6	Miami	7:00 p.m.
2/8	Toronto	7:00 p.m.
2/10	New Orleans	7:00 p.m.
2/12	Chicago	2:30 p.m.
2/14	Cleveland	7:00 p.m.
2/15	at Denver	8:00 p.m.
2/24	Dallas	7:00 p.m.
2/25	at Houston	8:00 p.m.
2/27	at Sacramento	9:30 p.m.
3/1	at Utah	8:00 p.m.
3/4	at San Antonio	8:00 p.m.
3/6	Portland	7:00 p.m.
3/8	L.A. Clippers	7:00 p.m.
3/10	Golden State	7:00 p.m.
3/11	at Milwaukee	7:00 p.m.
3/13	Washington	7:00 p.m.
3/15	at Boston	6:30 p.m.
3/17	at Miami	7:00 p.m.
3/19	at New Orleans	5:00 p.m.
3/21	San Antonio	8:30 p.m.
3/24	at L.A. Lakers	9:30 p.m.
3/25	at Portland	9:00 p.m.
3/28	at Indiana	6:00 p.m.
3/30	L.A. Lakers	7:00 p.m.
4/1	Sacramento	7:00 p.m.
4/4	at Golden State	9:30 p.m.
4/6	at Portland	9:30 p.m.
4/7	at Utah	8:00 p.m.
4/9	at L.A. Lakers	8:30 p.m.
4/11	Oklahoma City	7:00 p.m.
4/12	at Houston	7:00 p.m.

(all times Central)

Minnesota Timberwolves (2-6) vs. Los Angeles Lakers (6-4)

Game #9, Home Game #4

Target Center

November 13, 2016 at 6:00 PM CST

TV: Fox Sports North Plus

Radio: WCCO (830 AM)

Probable Starters:

Pos.	No.	Player	Ht.	Wt.	2016-17 Averages
F -	22	Andrew Wiggins	6-8	199	23.8 pts (45.2%), 4.1 reb, 2.1 ast
F -	5	Gorgui Dieng	6-11	240	9.9 pts (57.4%), 7.9 reb, 1.50 blk
C -	32	Karl-Anthony Towns	7-0	244	22.1 pts (52.7%), 8.5 reb, 2.8 ast
G -	8	Zach LaVine	6-5	185	19.8 pts (46.6%), 3.8 reb, 2.5 ast
G -	9	Ricky Rubio	6-4	190	5.3 pts (35.7%), 3.7 reb, 6.3 ast

Injury Report:

Center Nikola Pekovic: Will miss the 2016-17 season due to recurring pain in his right ankle.

Guard Ricky Rubio: Returned Saturday vs. the Clippers, having missed the previous five games due to a sprained right elbow suffered Oct. 29 at Sacramento.

Recent Transactions:

Oct. 31: Signed forward Gorgui Dieng to a four-year contract extension.

Oct. 23: Exercised the 2017-18 contract options on guards Tyus Jones and Zach LaVine, center Karl-Anthony Towns and forward Andrew Wiggins.

Oct. 22: Waived forward Rasual Butler and guard Toure' Murry.

Sept. 25: Announced center Nikola Pekovic will be sidelined for the entire 2016-17 season due to recurring pain in his right ankle.

Sept. 23: Forward Kevin Garnett announced his retirement.

Sept. 23: Signed free-agent forward Rasual Butler to a one-year contract.

Aug. 24: Signed free-agent guards John Lucas III and Toure' Murry to one-year contracts.

July 20: Signed free-agent forward Jordan Hill to a two-year contract.

July 13: Signed free-agent center Cole Aldrich to a three-year contract.

July 8: Signed free-agent guard Brandon Rush to a one-year contract.

July 7: Signed guard Kris Dunn to a two-year contract.

Records:

	Record	Home	Road	Overtime
OVERALL	2-6 (.250)	1-2 (.333)	1-4 (.200)	0-0 (.000)
Atlantic	0-1 (.000)	0-0 (.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-0 (.000)
Southeast	1-0 (1.000)	0-0 (.000)	1-0 (1.000)	0-0 (.000)
Central	0-0 (.000)	0-0 (.000)	0-0 (.000)	0-0 (.000)
EASTERN	1-1 (.500)	0-0 (.000)	1-1 (.500)	0-0 (.000)
Northwest	0-2 (.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-0 (.000)
Southwest	1-1 (.500)	1-0 (1.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-0 (.000)
Pacific	0-2 (.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-1 (.000)	0-0 (.000)
WESTERN	1-5 (.167)	1-2 (.333)	0-3 (.000)	0-0 (.000)

STREAKS:

Overall: Lost 1

Home: Lost 2

Road: Won 1

Next 5 Games:

(all times Central)

Date	Opponent	Time	TV	Radio
Tuesday, Nov. 15	vs. Charlotte Hornets	7:00 p.m.	FSN+	WCCO
Thursday, Nov. 17	vs. Philadelphia 76ers	7:00 p.m.	TNT	WCCO
Saturday, Nov. 19	at Memphis Grizzlies	7:00 p.m.	FSN / NBA TV	WCCO
Monday, Nov. 21	vs. Boston Celtics	7:00 p.m.	FSN+	WCCO
Wednesday, Nov. 23	at New Orleans Pelicans	8:30 p.m.	ESPN	WCCO

<u>Min</u>	<u>Four Factors</u>	<u>LAC</u>
.494	Effective FG%	.599
.135	TO Percentage	.144
.313	Off. Rebound %	.273
.191	FT Made / FG Att.	.368
<u>Min</u>	<u>Scoring</u>	<u>LAC</u>
17	Points off TOs	17
56	Points in the Paint	38
18	2nd-Chance Points	18
10	Fast Break Points	21

Last Game: Saturday, Nov. 12 – L.A. Clippers 119, Minnesota 105

Blake Griffin totaled 20 points and 11 rebounds, and DeAndre Jordan added 18 points and 16 boards as Los Angeles coasted to a 119-105 victory over the Timberwolves on Saturday night at Target Center. The Clippers finished the first period with a 19-6 blitz to grab a 34-21 lead, but Zach LaVine sparked a second-quarter comeback that saw Minnesota draw even at 43-43 on Karl-Anthony Towns' 3-pointer. However, L.A. sank seven of its final nine shots in the half to rebuild a 60-51 cushion at intermission. The Clippers responded to Ricky Rubio's trey by tallying 11 of the next 13 points to make it 79-63 midway through the third, and grabbed their largest lead of the night at 92-73 on an Austin Rivers layup with 10:52 left in the contest. Nemanja Bjelica and Tyus Jones sank 3-pointers to help the Wolves narrow the gap to 11 five minutes later, but the comeback bid stalled at that point and L.A. went on to win for the ninth consecutive time at Target Center. Chris Paul netted 19 points and eight assists for the Clippers while Towns led Minnesota with 24 points and 10 rebounds, Andrew Wiggins tallied 22 points and LaVine chipped in 15.

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Previous Game: Wednesday, Nov. 9 – Minnesota 123, Orlando 107

Zach LaVine poured in a career-high 37 points – including seven 3-pointers – and Andrew Wiggins tallied 14 of his 29 points in the first quarter as the Timberwolves ended an eight-year drought in Orlando with a 123-107 victory on Wednesday night at Amway Center. Minnesota never trailed, bolting to a 20-7 lead on back-to-back LaVine jumpers while Wiggins' late trey stretched it to 39-17 after 12 minutes. The margin swelled to 74-47 by intermission, matching the second-highest-scoring half in franchise history. Nik Vucevic and Evan Fournier rallied the Magic to within 15 midway through the third, but the Wolves rebuilt their lead to 101-77 early in the fourth on Karl-Anthony Towns' layup. Orlando proceeded to outscore Minnesota 19-6 over the next six minutes, clawing to within 107-96 on a Vucevic layup at the 5:10 mark. However, LaVine quieted the comeback with a 3-pointer, sparking a run that saw the Wolves score on seven of their next eight possessions to put the game out of reach. Towns finished with 20 points and 11 rebounds for Minnesota while Vucevic led the Magic with 24 points, 14 boards and six assists.

<u>Min</u>	<u>Four Factors</u>	<u>Orl</u>
.592	Effective FG%	.494
.073	TO Percentage	.095
.263	Off. Rebound %	.255
.230	FT Made / FG Att.	.271
<u>Min</u>	<u>Scoring</u>	<u>Orl</u>
10	Points off TOs	10
42	Points in the Paint	50
19	2nd-Chance Points	19
10	Fast Break Points	15

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Tonight's Opponent: Los Angeles Lakers

2015-16 vs. Lakers (2-1)

Wednesday, Oct. 28	at Los Angeles	W112-111
Wednesday, Dec. 9	at Minnesota	W123-122 (OT)
Tuesday, Feb. 2	at Los Angeles	L115-119

The Wolves are 6-5 in the teams' last 11 since ending L.A.'s 22-game series winning streak with the 113-90 road victory on Nov. 10, 2013.

First Meeting: Ricky Rubio tallied a career-high 28 points and 14 assists, and Kevin Martin scored 17 of his 23 points in the second half to help the Wolves erase a 16-point deficit and edge L.A., 112-111, on Oct. 28 at Staples Center. Karl-Anthony Towns added 14 points and 12 rebounds for Minnesota, while Kobe Bryant led the Lakers with 24 points and Lou Williams tacked on 21.

Second Meeting: Kevin Martin scored 17 of his season-high 37 points in the fourth quarter and Karl-Anthony Towns added 26 points and 14 rebounds as the Timberwolves edged L.A., 123-122 in OT, on Dec. 9 at Target Center. Ricky Rubio dished 12 assists for Minnesota, while DeAngelo Russell's 23 points topped the Lakers and Julius Randle piled up 20 points and 12 rebounds.

Third Meeting: Kobe Bryant scored 38 points – including seven 3-pointers – as Los Angeles halted its 10-game losing streak with a 119-115 victory over the Timberwolves on Feb. 2 at Staples Center. Lou Williams tallied 20 points for the Lakers while Andrew Wiggins led Minnesota with 30 points, Gorgui Dieng added 19 and Ricky Rubio handed out 15 assists.

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Next Opponent: Charlotte Hornets – Tuesday, Nov. 15 at Target Center

<i>Series Capsule:</i>	
Timberwolves vs. Hornets	
<u>All-Time Results:</u>	<u>Current Streaks:</u>
Overall..... 17-33	Overall Lost 5
in Minnesota..... 13-12	Home Lost 2
in Charlotte..... 4-21	Road..... Lost 4
Preseason..... 6-3	
Last Win: 119-92 at Minnesota (1/10/14)	
Last Loss: 103-108 at Charlotte (3/7/16)	
Biggest Win: 29 – 106-77 at Minnesota (11/9/90)	
Biggest Loss: 28 – 85-113 at Charlotte (3/18/93)	

2016 Preseason vs. Charlotte (1-1)

Monday, Oct. 10	at Charlotte	L86-98
Friday, Oct. 21	at Minnesota	W109-74

2015-16 vs. Charlotte (0-2)

Tuesday, Nov. 10	at Minnesota	L95-104
Monday, Mar. 7	at Charlotte	L103-108

Charlotte has won seven of the past eight overall, including two straight at Target Center dating to the Wolves' 119-92 victory on Jan. 10, 2014.

First Meeting: Jeremy Lin scored 19 points and Jeremy Lamb added 18 as part of a 57-point bench contribution as Charlotte handed the Timberwolves a 104-95 defeat on Nov. 10 at Target Center. Nicolas Batum finished with 17 points for the Hornets while Zach LaVine's 20 points led Minnesota and Karl-Anthony Towns registered 19 points and 13 rebounds.

Second Meeting: Kemba Walker scored 21 of his 34 points in the third quarter – going 5-for-5 from beyond the arc – and Charlotte withstood a late Timberwolves charge to win, 108-103, on Mar. 7 at Time Warner Cable Arena. Karl-Anthony Towns led Minnesota with 28 points and 14 rebounds, Andrew Wiggins tacked on 25 points and Zach LaVine finished with 19.

Minnesota Timberwolves 2016-17 Roster

No.	Player	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthdate	Prior to NBA / Country	Exp	Twitter
45	Cole Aldrich	C	6-11	250	10/31/88	Kansas / USA	6	@colea45
88	Nemanja Bjelica	F	6-10	225	05/09/88	Fenerbahçe Ülker / Serbia	1	@Bjelica88
5	Gorgui Dieng	C	6-11	240	01/18/90	Louisville / Sénégal	3	@GorguiDieng
3	Kris Dunn	G	6-4	205	03/18/94	Providence / USA	R	@KrisDunn3
27	Jordan Hill	F	6-10	240	07/27/87	Arizona / USA	7	
1	Tyus Jones	G	6-2	195	05/10/96	Duke / USA	1	@TyusJones06
8	Zach LaVine	G	6-5	185	03/10/95	UCLA / USA	2	@ZachLaVine
11	John Lucas III	G	5-11	166	11/21/82	Oklahoma State / USA	7	@Luke1luk
15	Shabazz Muhammad	F	6-6	223	11/13/92	UCLA / USA	3	@ShabazzMuhammad
33	Adreian Payne	F	6-10	237	02/19/91	Michigan State / USA	2	@Adreian_Payne
14	Nikola Peković	C	6-11	307	01/03/86	Panathinaikos / Montenegro	6	
9	Ricky Rubio	G	6-4	190	10/21/90	FC Barcelona / Spain	5	@RickyRubio9
4	Brandon Rush	G	6-6	225	07/07/85	Kansas / USA	8	@BRush_25
32	Karl-Anthony Towns	C	7-0	244	11/15/95	Kentucky / USA	1	@KarlTowns
22	Andrew Wiggins	F	6-8	199	02/23/95	Kansas / Canada	2	@22wiggins

Head Coach: Tom Thibodeau (Salem State)

Assistant Coaches: Rick Brunson (Temple)
 Andy Greer (SUNY-Brockport)
 Ed Pinckney (Villanova)
 Ryan Saunders (Minnesota)

Athletic Trainer: Gregg Farnam (St. Cloud State)

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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE:		
	Nemanja Bjelica	NEH-mahn-yah BYELL-eet-sah
	Gorgui Dieng	GOR-ghee Jeng
	Zach LaVine	Luh-VEEN
	Shabazz Muhammad	Shuh-BAHZ
	Toure' Murry	too-RAY
	Nikola Peković	NEE-koh-lah PEK-oh-vitch
	Tom Thibodeau	THIB-uh-doh

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ROSTER NOTES: On Oct. 24, Minnesota announced its 15-man Opening Night roster, having reached the limit by waiving forward Rasual Butler and guard Toure' Murry on Oct. 22... Of the 14 players who finished 2015-16 on the Timberwolves' roster, 10 are back this season... Five new faces dot Minnesota's roster, including free-agent signees Cole Aldrich, Brandon Rush, Jordan Hill and John Lucas III... Kris Dunn, the Wolves' 1st-round selection (5th overall) in the 2016 NBA Draft, is the sole rookie... Last October, the Wolves returned nine of 16 players from their final 2014-15 roster; they kept nine of 15 from 2013-14 to 2014-15 and also nine of 15 from 2012-13 to 2013-14... The current roster averages 3.6 years of NBA experience and has an average age of 26.1 years; last year's Opening Night group was at 5.1 and 27.6 years, respectively (4.0 and 25.6 in 2014-15; 3.7 and 26.0 in 2013-14)... Nikola Peković remains atop the Wolves' seniority list, beginning his seventh season; Ricky Rubio enters year number six...

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HOW THE WOLVES WERE BUILT: A breakdown of Minnesota's 2016-17 Opening Night roster:

- June 27, 2008 – **Nikola Peković**, NBA Draft (2nd round, 31st overall)
- June 25, 2009 – **Ricky Rubio**, NBA Draft (1st round, 5th overall)
- June 24, 2010 – **Nemanja Bjelica**, acquired via trade from Washington
- June 27, 2013 – **Shabazz Muhammad**, acquired via trade from Utah
- June 27, 2013 – **Gorgui Dieng**, acquired via trade from Utah
- June 26, 2014 – **Zach LaVine**, NBA Draft (1st round, 13th overall)
- Aug. 23, 2014 – **Andrew Wiggins**, acquired via trade from Cleveland
- Feb. 10, 2015 – **Adreian Payne**, acquired via trade from Atlanta
- June 25, 2015 – **Karl-Anthony Towns**, NBA Draft (1st round, 1st overall)
- June 25, 2015 – **Tyus Jones**, acquired via trade from Cleveland
- June 23, 2016 – **Kris Dunn**, NBA Draft (1st round, 5th overall)
- July 8, 2016 – **Brandon Rush**, signed as unrestricted free agent
- July 13, 2016 – **Cole Aldrich**, signed as unrestricted free agent
- July 20, 2016 – **Jordan Hill**, signed as unrestricted free agent
- Aug. 24, 2016 – **John Lucas III**, signed as unrestricted free agent

Miscellaneous Team Notes:

2016-17 STARTING LINEUPS:

Game #s	Forward	Forward	Center	Guard	Guard	Record
1-2,8	Wiggins	Dieng	Towns	Rubio	LaVine	0-3
3-7	Wiggins	Dieng	Towns	Dunn	LaVine	2-3

2016-17 TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (through Nov. 12):

	TIMES LED TEAM			---- DOUBLE FIGURES ----					DOUBLE-DOUBLES	
	Pts	Reb	Ast	10+ Pts	20+ Pts	30+ Pts	10+ Reb	10+ Ast	Pt/ Reb	Pt/ Ast
	Cole Aldrich.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nemanja Bjelica.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gorgui Dieng.....	0	4	1	4	0	0	3	0	3	0
Kris Dunn.....	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jordan Hill.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tyus Jones.....	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zach LaVine.....	2	0	0	7	3	2	0	0	0	0
John Lucas III.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Shabazz Muhammad.....	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adreian Payne.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ricky Rubio.....	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Brandon Rush.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karl-Anthony Towns.....	3	4	0	8	6	2	4	0	4	0
Andrew Wiggins.....	3	1	0	7	6	1	0	0	0	0

BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves are...

- 2-3 when scoring 100+ points
- 0-3 when scoring less than 100 points
- 2-1 when shooting 45%+
- 0-5 when shooting less than 45%
- 1-6 when allowing 100+ points
- 1-0 when allowing less than 100 points
- 0-6 when allowing 45%+
- 2-0 when allowing less than 45%
- 2-1 when outshooting their foe or even
- 0-5 when being outshot
- 2-3 when outrebounding their foe or tied
- 0-3 when being outrebounded
- 1-3 when committing <16 TOs
- 1-3 when committing 16+ TOs
- 2-0 when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- 0-6 when trailing after 3 quarters
- 2-2 in games decided by 10+ points
- 0-3 in games decided by <6 points

DUNK-O-METER: Wolves players' dunk totals for 2016-17 (thru Nov. 12):

Karl-Anthony Towns.....	9
Andrew Wiggins.....	7
Zach LaVine.....	6
Shabazz Muhammad.....	6
Cole Aldrich.....	3
Gorgui Dieng.....	2
Nemanja Bjelica.....	1
Kris Dunn.....	1
Brandon Rush.....	1
Jordan Hill.....	0
Tyus Jones.....	0
Adreian Payne.....	0

ROOKIE ROUNDUP: Kris Dunn made his first NBA start in the Nov. 1 win over Memphis, contributing 10 points, four rebounds, a game-high six assists and five steals to become only the sixth rookie in club history to register a 4x4 game. A look at the NBA's rookie class of 2016-17 (through Nov. 12):

#	Name	Team	G	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	Blk	Pts
6.	Buddy Hield.....	NOP	10	21.2	.376	.236	.875	3.0	0.9	0.60	0.20	10.2
--	Dario Šarić.....	PHI	9	27.2	.391	.478	.700	6.0	1.8	0.67	0.22	9.6
36.	Malcolm Brogdon.....	MIL	9	21.2	.429	.294	.882	2.6	3.0	1.33	0.11	8.2
11.	Domantas Sabonis.....	OKC	9	21.6	.483	.520	.500	3.7	1.8	0.44	0.33	8.0
3.	Jaylen Brown.....	BOS	9	17.4	.436	.313	.556	2.4	1.0	0.67	0.56	7.0
2.	Brandon Ingram.....	LAL	10	21.3	.393	.222	.708	3.2	1.6	0.60	0.30	6.5
--	Malcolm Delaney.....	ATL	9	17.0	.404	.357	.909	1.9	3.9	0.22	0.00	6.3
8.	Marquese Chriss.....	PHO	10	14.5	.429	.273	.600	3.4	0.6	0.60	0.30	6.0
--	Andrew Harrison.....	MEM	8	23.4	.295	.190	.727	1.4	3.0	1.50	0.25	5.8
7.	Jamal Murray.....	DEN	9	19.2	.311	.286	.833	1.8	2.0	0.44	0.11	5.7
27.	Pascal Siakam.....	TOR	9	17.0	.525	.000	.750	3.9	0.1	0.44	0.33	5.0
5.	Kris Dunn.....	MIN	8	21.9	.324	.375	.556	3.4	4.0	1.63	0.25	4.6

INSIDE THE BOX SCORE: Minnesota outscored the Clippers 56-38 in the paint on Saturday, its season-high total in that category and ending a run of four consecutive games allowing 50+ points inside. The Wolves permitted 60.5 ppg in the paint in those four contests, including Oklahoma City's 70-point effort on Nov. 5. A look at some of Minnesota's key figures to date (through Nov. 12):

Last 5 Games	FG Pct.	FTAs	Reb	TO	Pts off TOs	Paint Pts	Fast Break	2nd Chance	Bench Pts
	Min-Opp	Min-Opp	Margin	Margin	Min-Opp	Min-Opp	Min-Opp	Min-Opp	Min-Opp
11/3 vs. Denver	39.8%-48.1%	25-25	Min -1	Min +6	19-21	48-58	10-19	15-15	23-45
11/5 @ Oklahoma City	39.3%-52.3%	29-24	Even	Min -5	9-23	46-70	6-17	20-16	33-43
11/8 @ Brooklyn	42.4%-55.3%	28-26	Min -2	Min +4	27-15	42-54	16-15	25-11	28-46
11/9 @ Orlando	51.7%-44.7%	26-30	Min +5	Min +2	10-10	42-50	10-15	19-19	23-34
11/12 vs. L.A. Clippers	44.9%-52.6%	21-37	Min -3	Min +1	17-17	56-38	10-21	18-18	31-29
Season Averages	45.7%-47.6%	26.5-27.9	Min +2.6	Min +1.3	17.9-19.3	44.0-49.0	12.3-14.8	17.3-15.9	25.5-37.3

2016-17 TIMBERWOLVES PLUS/MINUS REPORT:

Last 5 Games	Wolves	Aldrich	Bjelica	Dieng	Dunn	Hill	Jones	LaVine	Muhammad	Rubio	Rush	Towns	Wiggins
11/3 vs. Denver	L3	-1	-3	-1	-3	DNP	0	-2	-5	INJ	-1	-1	+2
11/5 @ Oklahoma City	L20	0	-5	-24	-23	+4	-1	-24	+7	INJ	+4	-19	-27
11/8 @ Brooklyn	L9	+7	+1	-9	-10	DNP	+1	-11	-5	INJ	DNP	-15	-4
11/9 @ Orlando	W16	+3	-6	+12	-3	DNP	+19	+6	+12	INJ	DNP	+22	+21
11/12 vs. L.A. Clippers	L14	+5	+9	-21	-3	DNP	+1	-5	0	-14	DNP	-21	-21
Season Totals:	-1	+8	-11	+7	-15	+6	+30	-15	+12	-25	+14	-15	-3
Per Game:	-0.1	+1.0	-1.4	+0.9	-1.9	+3.0	+5.0	-1.9	+1.5	-8.3	+2.8	-1.9	-0.4
Per 48 Minutes:	-0.1	+3.7	-4.5	+1.4	-4.1	+26.8	+11.6	-2.6	+4.2	-13.9	+8.9	-2.6	-0.5

THE BREAKDOWN: Some quick comparisons of Minnesota's 2016-17 numbers to date:

	----- Records -----			----- Wolves -----			----- Opponents -----			----- Margins -----		
	Total	Home	Road	Pts	FG%	3Pt%	Pts	FG%	3Pt%	Pts	Reb	TO
2016-17 (thru 8 games).....	2-6	1-2	1-4	105.8	.457	.408	105.9	.476	.352	-0.1	+2.6	+1.3
2015-16 (thru 8 games).....	4-4	0-4	4-0	102.8	.448	.348	103.0	.438	.335	-0.3	+4.4	-0.3
2014-15 (thru 8 games).....	2-6	1-2	1-4	98.5	.434	.342	107.4	.505	.437	-8.9	+2.9	-0.1
2013-14 (thru 8 games).....	5-3	3-1	2-2	106.3	.424	.346	100.3	.455	.332	+6.0	-1.4	+2.5
2012-13 (thru 8 games).....	5-3	3-1	2-2	91.0	.435	.279	88.5	.414	.356	+2.5	+5.3	-1.9
2011-12 (thru 8 games).....	3-5	2-4	1-1	95.9	.444	.360	92.9	.426	.302	+3.0	+5.3	-4.6
2010-11 (thru 8 games).....	1-7	1-2	0-5	96.9	.386	.340	112.5	.473	.367	-15.6	+3.9	-5.1
2009-10 (thru 8 games).....	1-7	1-3	0-4	93.0	.433	.284	106.4	.471	.401	-13.4	-0.8	-0.9
2008-09 (thru 8 games).....	1-7	1-3	0-4	98.5	.433	.289	103.4	.471	.378	-4.9	-4.1	+1.4
2007-08 (thru 8 games).....	1-7	1-4	0-3	94.0	.441	.382	102.8	.477	.369	-8.8	+2.5	-1.6
At Target Center.....		1-2		106.7	.463	.453	100.3	.459	.300	+6.3	+4.3	+2.7
On the Road.....			1-4	105.2	.453	.382	109.2	.485	.382	-4.0	+1.6	+0.4
vs. .500+ Opponents.....	1-4	1-1	0-3	102.8	.464	.366	103.8	.466	.368	-1.0	+3.8	-0.4
vs. <.500 Opponents.....	1-2	0-1	1-1	110.7	.446	.466	109.3	.492	.329	+1.3	+0.7	+4.0
In Wins.....	2-0	1-0	1-0	119.5	.533	.581	93.5	.409	.250	+26.0	+11.0	+1.5
In Losses.....	0-6	0-2	0-4	101.2	.432	.351	110.0	.498	.386	-8.8	-0.2	+1.2
vs. Western Conference.....	1-5	1-2	0-3	102.2	.453	.374	103.5	.469	.353	-1.3	+3.0	+0.7
vs. Eastern Conference.....	1-1	0-0	1-1	116.5	.469	.490	113.0	.497	.351	+3.5	+1.5	+3.0
1+ Days Rest.....	1-6	1-2	0-4	103.3	.448	.384	105.7	.480	.355	-2.4	+2.3	+1.1
0 Days Rest.....	1-0	0-0	1-0	123.0	.517	.565	107.0	.447	.333	+16.0	+5.0	+2.0

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GETTING THE DROP: Minnesota built a 39-17 cushion after 12 minutes Wednesday at Orlando and has enjoyed double-digit leads in the 1st quarters of five of its eight contests. The Wolves lead the NBA in 1st-quarter scoring (31.3 points), FG accuracy (53.9%), three-point accuracy (54.5%, 18-for-33) and Offensive Rating (128.7). A quarter-by-quarter look at 2016-17 to date for Minnesota:

<u>through Nov. 12</u>	<u>1st Qtr</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>2nd Qtr</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>1st Half</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>3rd Qtr</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>4th Qtr</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>2nd Half</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>	<u>Game</u> <u>Pts / FG%</u>
Timberwolves.....	31.3 / 53.9%	30.0 / 49.7%	61.3 / 51.8%	20.0 / 36.2%	24.5 / 41.3%	44.5 / 38.9%	105.8 / 45.7%
Opponents.....	26.4 / 48.5%	27.0 / 49.4%	53.4 / 49.0%	28.0 / 48.4%	24.5 / 43.5%	52.5 / 46.1%	105.9 / 47.6%
Scoring Margins.....	(+4.9 pts)	(+3.0 pts)	(+7.9 pts)	(-8.0 pts)	(0.0 pts)	(-8.0 pts)	(-0.1 pts)

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WOLF TRACKS: The Clippers defeated Minnesota, 119-105, on Saturday, their ninth consecutive win at Target Center dating to the Wolves' 95-94 victory on Mar. 5, 2012... Minnesota snapped a three-game losing streak with the 123-107 triumph in Orlando on Nov. 9, its first road win in five starts this year and ending an eight-year road drought against the Magic that dated to the 102-101 win on Apr. 11, 2008... Brooklyn registered a 119-110 decision on Nov. 8, just Minnesota's second defeat in five trips to the Barclays Center... The three-game trip began with a 112-92 loss in Oklahoma City on Nov. 5; in their prior visit to Chesapeake Energy Arena (Mar. 11), the Wolves notched a 99-96 win to snap a 10-game series losing streak overall and a drought of 7+ years in Oklahoma City...

MARGINAL NOTES: Denver spotted Minnesota a 15-point, 1st-quarter cushion before rallying to win, 102-99, on Nov. 3 at Target Center... Minnesota has now built leads of 15+ points in five of its eight games to date, but has let three of those slip away; they rolled to a 17-point lead in the 1st quarter on Opening Night (Oct. 26) at Memphis and went ahead by 18 early in the 2nd period on Oct. 29 at Sacramento... The Wolves made their Target Center debut for 2016-17 with a 116-80 win over Memphis on Nov. 1, avenging the loss at FedExForum; the final 36-point margin equals the 4th-largest victory in club history and is the 18th time overall the Wolves have won by 30+... Minnesota improves to 19-9 all-time in home openers, highlighted by 13 straight wins from 1995-96 through 2006-07...

BOTH ENDS NOW: Minnesota pumped in 123 points in the Nov. 9 victory at Orlando, its top regulation total in a road game since winning 132-128 at Denver on Mar. 3, 2014... The Wolves surpassed that figure twice away from Target Center last season, both in OT victories (132-129 in double-OT at Washington, Mar. 25; 124-117 at Golden State, Apr. 5)... Meanwhile, Brooklyn's 119 points and 55.3% on Nov. 8 are season highs for a Minnesota opponent... The Wolves are surrendering 114.3 ppg and 51.1% accuracy (165-for-323) over their last four games; they opened the season by giving up just 97.5 ppg (44.1%) in their first four... For the year, Minnesota ranks 28th in the NBA in paint points allowed (49.0 ppg), ahead of the Lakers (50.0) and Denver (50.9); they were 28th in that category in 2015-16, permitting an average of 46.1 ppg inside... Minnesota outrebounded Orlando 45-40 on Nov. 9; the Wolves rank 4th in the NBA in total rebound pct (.529), 2nd in offensive rebound pct (.297) and 1st in second-chance scoring (17.3 ppg)...

SCHEDULE NOTES: Tonight continues a four-game homestand for the Wolves and wraps up the second of 14 sets of back-to-back outings on the year; they went 6-8 in the first and 2-12 in the second game of back-to-backs last season... Starting last night vs. the Clippers, Minnesota faces a stretch of 13 games in 22 days that includes three back-to-back sets (Nov. 12-13, Nov. 25-26, Dec. 2-3)... The Nov. 8 game at Brooklyn was Minnesota's first vs. the East for 2016-17 and began a two-week run that sees them play five of eight vs. Eastern opponents; they were 11-19 against the East a year ago... The Wolves completed their season-opening two-game trip with a 106-103 loss in Sacramento on Oct. 29, their first visit to the Golden 1 Center; the sojourn began with a 102-98 loss in Memphis...

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Season Superlatives (through Nov. 12)

Wolves Individual Highs:

Points	37	Zach LaVine at Orlando (11/9/16)
Field Goals Made	14	Zach LaVine at Orlando (11/9/16)
Field Goals Attempted.....	29	Andrew Wiggins at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Field Goal Percentage (Min. 10 FGM).....	.650	(13-20) Karl-Anthony Towns at Okla. City (11/5/16)
3-Point Field Goals Made.....	7	Zach LaVine at Orlando (11/9/16)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted.....	9	Zach LaVine vs. Memphis (11/1/16); Zach LaVine at Orlando (11/9/16)
Free Throws Made	10	Andrew Wiggins at Memphis (10/26/16)
Free Throws Attempted.....	14	Andrew Wiggins at Memphis (10/26/16)
Free Throw Percentage (Min. 10 FTM)714	(10-14) Andrew Wiggins at Memphis (10/26/16)
Total Rebounds	14	Gorgui Dieng at Memphis (10/26/16); Karl-Anthony Towns vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Offensive Rebounds.....	5	(4x) <i>MR</i> : Ricky Rubio vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Defensive Rebounds	9	(3x) <i>MR</i> : Karl-Anthony Towns vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Assists.....	9	Kris Dunn vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Steals	5	Kris Dunn vs. Memphis (11/1/16); Tyus Jones at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Turnovers	4	(4x) <i>MR</i> : Andrew Wiggins at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Blocked Shots	4	Gorgui Dieng at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Minutes Played.....	40:45	Andrew Wiggins at Brooklyn (11/8/16)

Opponent Individual Highs:

Points	29	DeMarcus Cousins at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Field Goals Made	11	Rudy Gay at Sacramento (10/29/16); Nikola Vučević at Orlando (11/9/16)
Field Goals Attempted.....	20	Rudy Gay at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Field Goal Percentage (Min. 10 FGM).....	.625	(10-16) Brook López at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
3-Point Field Goals Made.....	4	(3x) <i>MR</i> : Russell Westbrook at Okla. City (11/5/16)
3-Point Field Goals Attempted.....	8	Bojan Bogdanović at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Free Throws Made	11	DeMarcus Cousins at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Free Throws Attempted.....	16	DeAndre Jordan vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Free Throw Percentage (Min. 10 FTM)786	(11-14) DeMarcus Cousins at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Total Rebounds	16	DeAndre Jordan vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Offensive Rebounds.....	6	Nikola Vučević at Orlando (11/9/16)
Defensive Rebounds	12	DeAndre Jordan vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Assists.....	9	Matt Barnes at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Steals	5	Emmanuel Mudiay vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Turnovers	6	Emmanuel Mudiay vs. Denver (11/3/16); Sean Kilpatrick at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Blocked Shots	4	Marc Gasol at Memphis (10/26/16); Jerami Grant at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Minutes Played.....	38:12	Andrew Harrison at Memphis (10/26/16)

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Wolves Highs:

Points, Game	123	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Points, 1st Half	74	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Points, 2nd Half	54	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Clippers (11/12/16)
Points, 1st Quarter	39	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Points, 2nd Quarter	35	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Points, 3rd Quarter	35	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Points, 4th Quarter	32	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Field Goals Made	45	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Field Goals Attempted	92	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Field Goal Percentage551	(43-78) vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
3-Pt Field Goals Made	13	at Orlando (11/9/16)
3-Pt Field Goals Attempted	28	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
3-Pt Field Goal Percentage600	(12-20) vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Free Throws Made	22	(2x) <i>MR</i> : at Okla. City (11/5/16)
Free Throws Attempted	31	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
Free Throw Percentage810	(17-21) vs. Clippers (11/12/16)
Total Rebounds	49	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Offensive Rebounds	17	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Defensive Rebounds	39	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Assists	29	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Steals	11	(3x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Clippers (11/12/16)
Turnovers	21	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Blocked Shots	8	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Personal Fouls	31	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)

Wolves Lows:

92	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
51	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
38	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Denver (11/3/16)
21	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
24	vs. Denver (11/3/16)
12	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
19	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
33	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
70	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
.393	(33-84) at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
4	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
18	at Memphis (10/26/16)
.211	(4-19) at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
17	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
21	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
.690	(20-29) at Memphis (10/26/16)
36	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
7	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
24	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
12	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
6	(2x) <i>MR</i> : at Sacramento (10/29/16)
7	at Orlando (11/9/16)
3	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
19	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)

Opponent Highs:

Points, Game	119	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Clippers (11/12/16)
Points, 1st Half	66	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Points, 2nd Half	60	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Points, 1st Quarter	34	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Points, 2nd Quarter	33	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Points, 3rd Quarter	33	vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Points, 4th Quarter	31	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Clippers (11/12/16)
Field Goals Made	45	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Field Goals Attempted	86	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
Field Goal Percentage553	(42-76) at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
3-Pt Field Goals Made	12	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
3-Pt Field Goals Attempted	33	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
3-Pt Field Goal Percentage458	(11-24) (2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. LAC (11/12/16)
Free Throws Made	28	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Free Throws Attempted	37	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Free Throw Percentage885	(23-26) at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Total Rebounds	45	at Memphis (10/26/16)
Offensive Rebounds	12	at Orlando (11/9/16)
Defensive Rebounds	38	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
Assists	25	vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)
Steals	17	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
Turnovers	22	(2x) <i>MR</i> : vs. Denver (11/3/16)
Blocked Shots	11	at Memphis (10/26/16)
Personal Fouls	25	at Memphis (10/26/16)

Opponent Lows:

80	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
36	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
44	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
16	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
20	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
22	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
14	vs. Denver (11/3/16)
27	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
74	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
.365	(27-74) vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
4	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
16	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
.167	(4-24) vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
15	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
24	at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
.625	(15-24) at Oklahoma City (11/5/16)
31	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
5	at Brooklyn (11/8/16)
20	at Sacramento (10/29/16)
10	vs. Memphis (11/1/16)
2	at Orlando (11/9/16)
9	at Orlando (11/9/16)
3	vs. Denver (11/3/16)
19	(3x) <i>MR</i> : vs. L.A. Clippers (11/12/16)

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Top Individual Performances (through Nov. 12)

POINTS

37 Zach LaVine, 11/9 at Orl.
36 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
33 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/5 at OkC
32 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
31 Zach LaVine, 11/1 vs. Mem.
29 Andrew Wiggins, 11/9 at Orl.
29 Andrew Wiggins, 10/29 at Sac.
25 Andrew Wiggins, 11/3 vs. Den.
25 Andrew Wiggins, 10/26 at Mem.

FIELD GOALS

14 Zach LaVine, 11/9 at Orl.
13 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
13 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/5 at OkC
11 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
11 Zach LaVine, 11/1 vs. Mem.

FREE THROWS

10 Andrew Wiggins, 10/26 at Mem.
8 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
8 Andrew Wiggins, 10/29 at Sac.
7 Andrew Wiggins, 11/9 at Orl.

3-PT. FIELD GOALS

7 Zach LaVine, 11/9 at Orl.
6 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
5 Zach LaVine, 11/1 vs. Mem.
3 MR: K.-A. Towns, 11/5 at OkC

TOTAL REBOUNDS

14 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
14 Gorgui Dieng, 10/26 at Mem.
13 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Sac.
11 Gorgui Dieng, 11/9 at Orl.
11 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/9 at Orl.
10 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/12 vs. LAC
10 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/1 vs. Mem.

OFFENSIVE REBOUNDS

5 Ricky Rubio, 11/12 vs. LAC
5 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
5 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
5 Gorgui Dieng, 10/26 at Mem.

DEFENSIVE REBOUNDS

9 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
9 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Sac.
9 Gorgui Dieng, 10/26 at Mem.
8 Gorgui Dieng, 11/9 at Orl.
8 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/1 vs. Mem.

BLOCKED SHOTS

4 Gorgui Dieng, 11/5 at OkC
2 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/12 vs. LAC
2 Kris Dunn, 11/9 at Orl.
2 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/3 vs. Den.
2 Gorgui Dieng, 11/1 vs. Mem.
2 Gorgui Dieng, 10/29 at Sac.

ASSISTS

9 Kris Dunn, 11/3 vs. Den.
8 Ricky Rubio, 10/26 at Mem.
7 Gorgui Dieng, 11/9 at Orl.
7 Tyus Jones, 11/8 at Bkn.
6 Ricky Rubio, 11/12 vs. LAC
6 Andrew Wiggins, 11/9 at Orl.
6 Kris Dunn, 11/1 vs. Mem.
6 Tyus Jones, 11/1 vs. Mem.

STEALS

5 Tyus Jones, 11/8 at Bkn.
5 Kris Dunn, 11/1 vs. Mem.
3 Kris Dunn, 11/3 vs. Den.
3 Gorgui Dieng, 11/1 vs. Mem.
3 Ricky Rubio, 10/29 at Sac.

TURNOVERS

4 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
4 Nemanja Bjelica, 11/3 vs. Den.
4 Gorgui Dieng, 11/3 vs. Den.
4 Kris Dunn, 11/3 vs. Den.

MINUTES PLAYED

41 Andrew Wiggins, 11/8 at Bkn.
41 Karl-Anthony Towns, 11/9 at Orl.
40 Zach LaVine, 11/12 vs. LAC
40 Zach LaVine, 11/8 at Bkn.
39 Andrew Wiggins, 11/9 at Orl.

Preseason in Review:

STARTING LINEUPS:

Game #	Forward	Forward	Center	Guard	Guard	Record
1-4	Wiggins	Dieng	Towns	Rubio	LaVine	3-1
5	Butler	Bjelica	Aldrich	Dunn	Rush	0-1
6-7	Rush	Dieng	Towns	Rubio	LaVine	2-0

BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves were:

- **5-0** when scoring 100+ points
- **0-2** when scoring less than 100 points
- **2-0** when shooting 45%+
- **3-2** when shooting less than 45%
- **1-0** when allowing 100+ points
- **4-2** when allowing less than 100 points
- **1-1** when allowing 45%+
- **4-1** when allowing less than 45%
- **4-0** when outshooting their foe or even
- **1-2** when being outshot
- **3-0** when outrebounding their foe or even
- **2-2** when being outrebounded
- **0-1** when committing <16 TOs
- **5-1** when committing 16+ TOs
- **5-0** when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- **0-2** when trailing after 3 quarters
- **2-2** in games decided by 10+ points
- **3-0** in games decided by <10 points

TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (Final):

	TIMES LED TEAM			--- DOUBLE FIGURES ---				PRESEASON HIGHS		
	Pts	Reb	Ast	10+ Pts	20+ Pts	10+ Reb	10+ Ast	Pts	Reb	Ast
Cole Aldrich.....	0	3	0	1	0	1	0	10	10	2
Nemanja Bjelica.....	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	14	6	3
Rasual Butler.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	1
Gorgui Dieng.....	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	19	11	2
Kris Dunn.....	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	8	6	7
Jordan Hill.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	8	6	1
Tyus Jones.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	11	2	2
Zach LaVine.....	1	0	0	4	1	0	0	30	8	3
John Lucas III.....	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	18	1	2
Shabazz Muhammad.....	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	18	6	1
Toure' Murry.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5	2
Adreian Payne.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16	4	0
Ricky Rubio.....	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	10	5	8
Brandon Rush.....	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	14	4	5
Karl-Anthony Towns.....	3	3	0	5	2	2	0	31	14	4
Andrew Wiggins.....	2	0	0	3	1	0	0	23	4	1

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THIRD DEGREE: Minnesota erupted for 41 points in the 3rd quarter of its preseason opener (Oct. 8) vs. Miami in Kansas City, erasing a 19-point, 1st-half deficit. On the flipside, the Wolves were outscored 32-18 in the 3rd period on Oct. 10 at Charlotte, with the Hornets rallying from 14 points back to win. A quarter-by-quarter look at Minnesota's 2016 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.....	25.7 / 41.0%	28.0 / 41.4%	53.7 / 41.2%	28.6 / 47.2%	18.4 / 37.2%	47.0 / 42.3%	100.7 / 41.8%
Opponents.....	22.3 / 38.5%	29.0 / 49.7%	51.3 / 44.0%	20.7 / 38.2%	22.6 / 41.8%	43.3 / 40.1%	94.6 / 42.1%
Scoring Margins.....	(+3.4 pts)	(-1.0 pts)	(+2.4 pts)	(+7.9 pts)	(-4.1 pts)	(+3.7 pts)	(+6.1 pts)

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WOLF TRACKS: Minnesota wrapped up its 2016 preseason slate with a 5-2 record following the 109-74 win over Charlotte on Oct. 21 at Target Center, avenging a 98-86 loss to the Hornets on Oct. 10 at Time Warner Cable Arena... *The Wolves are now 108-93 all-time in exhibition outings*, going 29-15 at Target Center; they've registered six winning preseason records in the past seven years... The final 35-point spread vs. Charlotte equaled Minnesota's 2nd-largest winning margin ever in the preseason; they posted a 117-79 win at Milwaukee on Oct. 6, 2008... The Wolves made their Target Center debut for 2016-17 with a 101-94 victory over Memphis on Oct. 19 – in the 200th preseason contest in franchise history... Minnesota completed a five-game, nine-night road swing with the 112-94 loss on Oct. 16 in Oklahoma City... They defeated Miami twice during the sojourn (109-100 on Oct. 8 in Kansas City; 101-96 on Oct. 15 in Louisville) while dropping the 98-86 decision Oct. 10 at Charlotte and notching a 105-88 victory over Denver on Oct. 12 in Lincoln...

COLD AS ICE: Minnesota limited Charlotte to 74 points and 31.6% on Oct. 21, both figures representing preseason defensive bests... The Hornets' percentage is the lowest allowed by Minnesota in a preseason game since New York shot an identical 31.6% (25-for-79) on Oct. 11, 2003 at MSG (a 96-77 Wolves victory)... Meanwhile, Oklahoma City's 112 points and 50.0% shooting on Oct. 16 were both preseason highs for a Wolves opponent; Minnesota bounced back to hold Memphis to 94 points and 39.8% on Oct. 19... *The Wolves finished 4th in preseason scoring defense (94.6 ppg) and 6th in FG percentage defense (42.1%)* while permitting the 4th-lowest three-point percentage (30.4%)... Minnesota held Denver to 88 points in the Oct. 12 victory in Lincoln, forcing 25 turnovers while limiting the Nuggets to a 3-for-20 effort from beyond the arc... The Wolves swiped a preseason-best 14 steals in that game and added 13 steals vs. Charlotte on Oct. 21; *Minnesota ranked 9th in preseason steals (10.14 spg) and 3rd in blocked shots (6.71 bpg)*...

FITS & STARTS: Minnesota shot a preseason-best 48.8% in the Oct. 21 finale vs. Charlotte, its second outing above 42% (48.1% vs. Miami, Oct. 15)... The Wolves were held below 40% in each of their first two starts (39.3% vs. Miami on Oct. 8; 34.7% at Charlotte on Oct. 10)... *Minnesota finished 24th in preseason FG accuracy (41.8%) and 20th in scoring (100.7 ppg)*... The Wolves went 36-for-41 from the line vs. Memphis on Oct. 19, setting preseason highs in both categories; Karl-Anthony Towns (17-for-17) and Gorgui Dieng (9-for-10) combined for 26 made free throws... *Minnesota ranked 3rd in preseason FT accuracy (79.2%) and 5th in FTs made (22.9 per game)*... The Wolves equaled their preseason best by hitting 10 treys Oct. 16 at Oklahoma City (also Oct. 8 vs. Miami)... Minnesota cracked the Century Mark in five of seven starts (including a preseason-best 109 vs. Charlotte on Oct. 21), winning all five of those...

2015-16 in Review:

2015-16 STARTING LINEUPS:

Game #s	Forward	Forward	Center	Guard	Guard	Record
1-6,11,13,26-27,29-32,34-39,41-43,45	Prince	Garnett	Towns	Rubio	Wiggins	10-14
7	Prince	Payne	Towns	LaVine	Martin	0-1
8-10	Prince	Garnett	Towns	LaVine	Wiggins	0-3
12	Prince	Payne	Towns	Rubio	Wiggins	0-1
14-15,18-24	Wiggins	Garnett	Towns	Rubio	Martin	3-6
16-17	Wiggins	Garnett	Towns	LaVine	Martin	1-1
25,28,33,47-53,56,58	Prince	Dieng	Towns	Rubio	Wiggins	2-10
40,44,46	Prince	Towns	Pekovic	Rubio	Wiggins	0-3
54-55,57,59-82	Wiggins	Dieng	Towns	Rubio	LaVine	13-14

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2015-16 TIMBERWOLVES LEADERS (Final):

	TIMES LED TEAM			---- DOUBLE FIGURES ----					*Reb/Ast DOUBLE-DOUBLES	
	Pts	Reb	Ast	10+ Pts	20+ Pts	30+ Pts	10+ Reb	10+ Ast	Pt/Reb	Pt/Ast
	Nemanja Bjelica	1	6	1	14	0	0	3	0	3
Gorgui Dieng	2	15	2	43	7	0	19	0	15	0
Kevin Garnett	0	2	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Tyus Jones	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	0
Zach LaVine	12	1	9	60	19	1	0	0	0	0
Shabazz Muhammad	7	2	1	44	9	1	0	0	0	0
Andreian Payne	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nikola Peković	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tayshaun Prince	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ricky Rubio	4	4	65	35	4	0	2	30	2*	12
Damjan Rudež	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Greg Smith	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Karl-Anthony Towns	27	64	2	73	32	4	54	0	52	0
Andrew Wiggins	33	1	2	77	48	10	1	0	1	0

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BY THE NUMBERS: The Wolves were...

- 24-25 when scoring 100+ points
- 5-28 when scoring less than 100 points
- 24-25 when shooting 45%+
- 5-28 when shooting less than 45%
- 17-42 when allowing 100+ points
- 12-11 when allowing less than 100 points
- 15-40 when allowing 45%+
- 14-13 when allowing less than 45%
- 26-12 when outshooting their foe or even
- 3-41 when being outshot
- 20-23 when outrebounding their foe or tied
- 9-30 when being outrebounded
- 14-18 when committing <15 TOs
- 15-35 when committing 15+ TOs
- 20-11 when leading or tied after 3 quarters
- 9-42 when trailing after 3 quarters
- 9-23 in games decided by 10+ points
- 20-30 in games decided by <10 points

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2015-16 TIMBERWOLVES GAMES LOST DUE TO INJURY/ILLNESS (Final):

Nikola Peković	68	Ricky Rubio	4
Kevin Garnett	37	Andrew Wiggins	1
Nemanja Bjelica	15		
Kevin Martin	10	Team:	135

DUNK-O-METER: Wolves players' dunk totals for 2015-16 (Final):

Andrew Wiggins	86
Karl-Anthony Towns	72
Gorgui Dieng	69
Shabazz Muhammad	61
Zach LaVine	52
Kevin Martin	42
Andreian Payne	9
Nemanja Bjelica	6
Tayshaun Prince	5
Greg Smith	5
Kevin Garnett	1
Damjan Rudež	1

ROOKIE ROUNDUP: Karl-Anthony Towns collected a season-high 35 points and 11 rebounds in the Feb. 10 victory vs. Toronto and totaled 11 points, a season-high (and club rookie record) 21 rebounds and a season-best nine assists Apr. 3 vs. Dallas. A look at of the NBA's rookie class of 2015-16:

#	Name	Team	G	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	Blk	Pts
1.	Karl-Anthony Towns	MIN	82	32.0	.542	.341	.811	10.5	2.0	0.71	1.68	18.3
3.	Jahlil Okafor	PHI	53	30.0	.508	.167	.686	7.0	1.2	0.42	1.15	17.5
4.	Kristaps Porzingis	NYK	72	28.4	.421	.333	.838	7.3	1.3	0.74	1.86	14.3
13.	Devin Booker	PHO	76	27.7	.423	.343	.840	2.5	2.6	0.58	0.26	13.8
2.	D'Angelo Russell	LAL	80	28.2	.410	.351	.737	3.4	3.3	1.16	0.16	13.2
7.	Emmanuel Mudiay	DEN	68	30.4	.364	.319	.670	3.4	5.5	0.96	0.51	12.8
11.	Myles Turner	IND	60	22.8	.498	.214	.727	5.5	0.7	0.42	1.43	10.3
--	Nikola Jokic	DEN	80	21.7	.512	.333	.811	7.0	2.4	0.99	0.63	10.0
8.	Stanley Johnson	DET	73	23.1	.375	.307	.784	4.2	1.6	0.75	0.16	8.1
9.	Frank Kaminsky	CHA	81	21.1	.410	.337	.730	4.1	1.2	0.47	0.53	7.5
22.	Bobby Portis	CHI	62	17.8	.427	.308	.727	5.4	0.8	0.40	0.35	7.0
6.	Willie Cauley-Stein	SAC	66	21.4	.563	.000	.648	5.3	0.6	0.73	1.00	7.0

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THE 30-30 CLUB: Shabazz Muhammad poured in a career-high 35 points with six rebounds, while Andrew Wiggins totaled 32 points, five rebounds, four assists and a career-high six steals in the Apr. 5 overtime win at Golden State. It's the 23rd time in franchise history – the first in just over two years – that two players have tallied 30+ points in the same contest. The full list: (^NPlayoff game)

Date	Opponent	Final	Players/Points	Date	Opponent	Final	Players/Points
4/5/16	@ Golden State	W124-117 (ot)	Muhammad 35, Wiggins 32	12/23/03	@ New York	W98-92	Cassell 31, Sprewell 31
2/4/14	L.A. Lakers	W109-99	Martin 32, Love 31	12/5/03	@ Sacramento	W112-109 (ot)	Sprewell 37, Garnett 33
1/4/14	Oklahoma City	L111-115	Pekovic 31, Love 30	4/22/03	L.A. Lakers^	W119-91	Hudson 37, Garnett 35
12/22/13	@ L.A. Clippers	L116-120 (ot)	Love 45, Pekovic 34	1/30/03	@ Dallas	L109-112	Garnett 31, Hudson 31
11/8/13	Dallas	W116-108	Love 32, Martin 32	2/27/02	L.A. Lakers	W112-101	Garnett 33, Billups 30
11/3/13	@ New York	W109-100	Love 34, Martin 30	2/19/02	@ Dallas	W117-100	Billups 36, Szczerbiak 31
2/17/12	@ Houston	W111-98	Love 33, Pekovic 30	1/11/02	L.A. Lakers	W120-102	Szczerbiak 34, Garnett 32
1/26/11	Oklahoma City	L117-118 (ot)	Love 31, Beasley 30	3/30/97	@ Golden State	W113-102	Garnett 33, Gugliotta 31
11/12/10	New York	W112-103	Beasley 35, Love 31	1/2/91	Dallas	W119-95	Campbell 32, Richardson 31
3/4/07	@ Boston	L117-124 (2ot)	Davis 35, Garnett 33	11/12/89	Seattle	L97-108	Mitchell 31, Campbell 30
4/18/04	Denver^	W106-92	Cassell 40, Garnett 30	11/10/89	Philadelphia	W125-118 (2ot)	Campbell 38, Corbin 36
2/8/04	Memphis	L98-99	Cassell 34, Garnett 30				

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THE BREAKDOWN: Some quick comparisons of Minnesota's 2015-16 numbers:

	----- Records -----			----- Wolves -----			----- Opponents -----			----- Margins -----		
	Total	Home	Road	Pts	FG%	3Pt%	Pts	FG%	3Pt%	Pts	Reb	TO
2015-16 (Final).....	29-53	14-27	15-26	102.4	.464	.338	106.0	.471	.355	-3.5	-0.3	-0.1
2014-15 (Final).....	16-66	9-32	7-34	97.8	.438	.332	106.5	.487	.367	-8.8	-2.6	+0.1
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
Last 32 Games.....	15-17	7-9	8-8	106.7	.478	.361	109.5	.480	.365	-2.8	-1.2	+0.3
First 50 Games.....	14-36	7-18	7-18	99.7	.455	.320	103.7	.465	.348	-4.0	+0.2	-0.4
At Target Center.....		14-27		101.5	.463	.337	105.3	.475	.368	-3.8	+0.8	-0.3
On the Road.....			15-26	103.3	.465	.339	106.6	.466	.344	-3.3	-1.5	+0.1
vs. .500+ Opponents.....	15-29	5-15	10-14	101.3	.454	.341	106.7	.473	.338	-5.4	-1.2	-0.4
vs. <.500 Opponents.....	14-24	9-12	5-12	103.7	.476	.334	105.1	.468	.377	-1.4	+0.6	+0.2
In Wins.....	29-0	14-0	15-0	111.4	.497	.369	102.8	.444	.330	+8.6	+2.4	+1.7
In Losses.....	0-53	0-27	0-26	97.5	.446	.319	107.7	.486	.370	-10.2	-1.8	-1.2
vs. Western Conference.....	18-34	8-18	10-16	102.4	.466	.343	105.9	.472	.352	-3.5	-0.3	-0.4
vs. Eastern Conference.....	11-19	6-9	5-10	102.4	.461	.328	106.0	.468	.361	-3.6	-0.3	+0.3
1+ Days Rest.....	27-41	13-23	14-18	102.9	.466	.337	105.4	.470	.357	-2.4	+0.0	+0.0
0 Days Rest.....	2-12	1-4	1-8	99.9	.454	.340	108.8	.475	.345	-8.9	-2.1	-1.0

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THE NORTH FORTY: Minnesota outscored Memphis 42-25 in the opening stanza on Mar. 16 at FedExForum, the first of three 40+ 1st-quarter efforts over the final 15 games (40-37 vs. Phoenix, Mar. 28, 40-23 vs. New Orleans, Apr. 13). Utah built an 18-10 lead after 12 minutes on Mar. 26, the Wolves' lowest-scoring 1st period since 2009. A quarter-by-quarter look at 2015-16 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.....	25.8 / 47.0%	25.3 / 46.5%	51.1 / 46.7%	24.6 / 46.7%	25.7 / 45.7%	50.4 / 46.2%	102.4 / 46.4%
Opponents.....	26.0 / 46.6%	26.8 / 47.6%	52.9 / 47.1%	26.5 / 48.2%	25.7 / 46.2%	52.1 / 47.2%	106.0 / 47.1%
Scoring Margins.....	(-0.2 pts)	(-1.5 pts)	(-1.8 pts)	(-1.8 pts)	(+0.1 pts)	(-1.8 pts)	(-3.5 pts)

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DOUBLING DOWN: The Wolves spotted Golden State a 17-point, 3rd-quarter advantage before rallying on Apr. 5, *their largest road comeback since running down Brooklyn from 22 points back on Nov. 5, 2012*. On the flipside, Minnesota built a 17-point, 1st-quarter lead before faltering on Jan. 19 in New Orleans. That was the fifth game the Wolves lost a year ago after going ahead by 17+ points and one of a league-leading 15 times they let a double-digit lead slip away. A look at Minnesota's "volatility factor" in 2015-16:

Comebacks					Blown Leads				
Deficit	Time, Qtr	Opponent	Date	Final	Lead	Time, Qtr	Opponent	Date	Final
18 (44-62)	3:19 / 2nd	Toronto	Feb. 10	117-112	18 (65-47)	6:40 / 3rd	@ Denver	Dec. 11	108-111 (OT)
17 (54-71)	6:03 / 3rd	@ Golden State	Apr. 5	124-117 (OT)	17 (38-21)	1:08 / 1st	@ New Orleans	Jan. 19	99-114
16 (34-50)	5:18 / 2nd	@ L.A. Lakers	Oct. 28	112-111	17 (24-7)	2:57 / 1st	Milwaukee	Jan. 2	85- 95
14 (60-74)	3:37 / 3rd	@ New Orleans	Feb. 27	112-110	17 (63-46)	10:13 / 3rd	Portland	Dec. 5	103-109
13 (36-49)	3:11 / 2nd	Philadelphia	Nov. 23	100- 95	17 (34-17)	0:45 / 1st	Portland	Nov. 2	101-106
10 (16-26)	3:21 / 1st	@ Portland	Apr. 9	106-105	14 (64-50)	5:35 / 3rd	@ Orlando	Nov. 18	101-104 (OT)
10 (15-25)	1:46 / 1st	@ Miami	Nov. 17	103- 91	12 (21-9)	5:16 / 1st	Washington	Mar. 2	98-104
9 (16-25)	0:50 / 1st	Memphis	Jan. 23	106-101	12 (20-8)	5:52 / 1st	@ San Antonio	Dec. 28	95-101
					11 (14-3)	9:11 / 1st	Charlotte	Nov. 10	95-104
					10 (57-47)	12:00 / 3rd	@ Phoenix	Mar. 14	104-107
					10 (49-39)	5:27 / 2nd	@ Milwaukee	Mar. 4	101-116
					10 (81-71)	1:27 / 3rd	@ Memphis	Feb. 19	104-109
					10 (84-74)	6:46 / 4th	@ Dallas	Jan. 20	94-106 (OT)
					10 (56-46)	5:36 / 3rd	Denver	Jan. 6	74- 78
					10 (32-22)	9:36 / 2nd	Detroit	Nov. 20	86- 96

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INSIDE THE BOX SCORE: The Wolves rang up 31 points from 21 Golden State TOs on Apr. 5, one of 13 times in the final two months they scored 20+ in that category. Minnesota averaged an NBA-best 20.3 ppg off TOs after Mar. 1 and also ranked 9th in fast-break scoring (16.5 ppg) in those 22 contests (tallying 20+ points on six occasions). A look at some of the Wolves' key figures for 2015-16:

<u>Month</u>	<u>FG Pct.</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>FTAs</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>Reb</u> <u>Margin</u>	<u>TO</u> <u>Margin</u>	<u>Pts off TOs</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>Paint Pts</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>Fast Break</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>2nd Chance</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>	<u>Bench Pts</u> <u>Min-Opp</u>
Oct.-November (8-9)	44.7%-44.3%	27.2-23.4	Min +2.1	Min -0.1	14.9-16.9	40.8-43.9	12.4-12.1	14.0-12.3	44.2-31.2
December (4-12)	44.9%-47.2%	26.4-23.6	Min -1.6	Min +0.7	14.9-17.6	42.3-43.1	11.8-10.6	12.8-12.8	37.5-42.0
January (2-14)	46.2%-47.8%	25.9-22.9	Min -0.1	Min -1.6	16.4-18.3	42.8-46.0	12.3-13.3	13.2-13.5	42.4-37.6
February (5-6)	47.6%-48.3%	32.5-24.9	Min +3.5	Min -2.4	13.4-16.8	47.5-47.5	14.5-15.2	15.3-13.3	29.6-40.4
March (6-9)	48.1%-48.1%	25.3-19.5	Min -3.9	Min +0.7	20.5-19.1	45.9-50.7	16.9-16.2	10.8-13.3	22.0-38.1
April (4-3)	49.0%-47.5%	25.1-19.3	Min -2.1	Min +2.7	19.9-18.4	50.0-46.9	15.7-14.0	12.1-14.4	35.0-25.0
Season Averages	46.4%-47.1%	27.0-22.5	Min -0.3	Min -0.1	16.4-17.8	44.1-46.1	13.6-13.4	13.0-13.1	35.7-36.5

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2015-16 TIMBERWOLVES PLUS/MINUS REPORT:

<u>Month</u>	<u>Bielica</u>	<u>Dieng</u>	<u>Garnett</u>	<u>Jones</u>	<u>LaVine</u>	<u>Muhammad</u>	<u>Payne</u>	<u>Prince</u>	<u>Rubio</u>	<u>Rudež</u>	<u>Smith</u>	<u>Towns</u>	<u>Wiggins</u>
Oct.-Nov. (8-9)	-19	-27	+21	-27	+3	-39	-8	+25	+51	+5	DNP	-4	-3
December (4-12)	-26	-24	-1	-32	-105	-67	-21	-30	-18	-5	DNP	-45	-60
January (2-14)	-43	-40	+36	-24	-88	-64	-12	-73	-1	+3	DNP	-39	-39
February (5-6)	0	+7	INJ	-7	-38	-57	-16	-9	-20	-25	DNP	-27	-16
March (6-9)	-60	+55	INJ	-76	-33	-62	-42	-56	+26	+16	-56	-21	+44
April (4-3)	+21	+22	INJ	+31	-33	+23	-21	+14	-20	-7	-21	+5	+6
Season Totals:	-127	-7	+56	-135	-294	-266	-120	-129	+18	-13	-77	-131	-68
Per Game:	-2.1	-0.1	+1.5	-3.6	-3.6	-3.2	-2.3	-1.7	+0.2	-0.4	-4.3	-1.6	-0.8
Per 48 Minutes:	-5.7	-0.2	+4.8	-11.3	-6.2	-7.6	-11.9	-4.2	+0.4	-2.3	-19.3	-2.4	-1.1

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YOUTH IS SERVED: Entering 2015-16, 31 players in NBA history averaged at least 15.0 ppg in their age-19 or age-20 seasons while qualifying for the league's scoring leaderboard. The Wolves became just the second team ever to feature two such players in the same season – Andrew Wiggins (20.7 ppg) and Karl-Anthony Towns (18.3 ppg) – joining the 2008-09 Oklahoma City Thunder (Kevin Durant, Russell Westbrook). Wiggins joined Durant, Carmelo Anthony, Kobe Bryant and LeBron James as the only players to accomplish that feat in both their age-19 and age-20 seasons. The top sub-age-21 contributions to teams in NBA annals, sorted by points per game:

<u>Team</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>Player(s), PPG</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>MPG</u>	<u>PPG</u>	<u>FG%</u>	<u>FT%</u>	<u>RPG</u>	<u>APG</u>
Minnesota	2015-16	A.Wiggins (20.7), K.Towns (18.3), Z.LaVine (14.0), T.Jones (4.2)	82	101.7	54.7	.480	.778	17.4	8.3
Oklahoma City	2008-09	Kevin Durant (25.3), Russell Westbrook (15.3)	82	67.7	38.1	.441	.841	10.7	7.8
Chicago	1999-00	Elton Brand (20.1), Ron Artest (12.0)	82	63.9	30.4	.455	.681	13.6	4.4
Minnesota	1996-97	Kevin Garnett (17.0), Stephon Marbury (15.8)	82	64.9	28.9	.459	.739	9.8	9.2
Cleveland	2004-05	LeBron James (27.2)	82	41.3	26.5	.472	.750	7.2	7.0
Minnesota	2014-15	Andrew Wiggins (16.9), Zach LaVine (10.1)	82	59.4	26.4	.432	.782	7.2	5.4
Cleveland	2003-04	LeBron James (20.9), Dajuan Wagner (6.5)	82	46.7	23.7	.408	.748	6.0	6.3
Orlando	1992-93	Shaquille O'Neal (23.4)	82	37.5	23.1	.562	.592	13.7	1.9
Denver	2003-04	Carmelo Anthony (21.0), Nikoloz Tskitshvili (2.7)	82	40.3	22.3	.418	.778	6.8	2.9
L.A. Clippers	2000-01	Darius Miles (9.4), Quentin Richardson (8.1), Keyon Dooling (5.9)	82	57.7	22.2	.460	.605	10.0	4.1
N.O./Okla.City	2005-06	Chris Paul (16.1), J.R. Smith (7.7), Brandon Bass (2.3)	82	49.6	21.3	.419	.836	7.0	8.2

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DEALER'S CHOICE: Ricky Rubio dished a club-record-tying 17 assists Mar. 14 at Phoenix, his 11th career game with 15 or more. Karl-Anthony Towns saw his NBA season-best streak of double-doubles halted at 15 in the Apr. 11 loss to Houston but is the fourth player in franchise history to post 50 double-doubles in a season. The Feb. 22 victory over Boston was Andrew Wiggins' final game prior to turning 21; his career total of 2548 ranks 6th on the NBA's all-time list for points scored before a player's 21st birthday:

<u>NBA</u> <u>Most Points Scored, Age <21</u>		<u>NBA</u> <u>Highest PER, Rookie (since merger)</u>			<u>NBA (since 1983-84)</u> <u>Most Double-Doubles, Rookie</u>			<u>Timberwolves</u> <u>15+ Assist Games</u>	
<u>Pts</u>	<u>Player, Team(s)</u>	<u>PER</u>	<u>Player, Team</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Player</u>	<u>Season</u>	<u>#</u>	<u>Player</u>
4649	LeBron James, Cle.	26.3	David Robinson, S.A.	89-90	68	Shaquille O'Neal, Orl.	92-93	11	Ricky Rubio
3495	Kevin Durant, Sea.-OkC	25.8	Michael Jordan, Chi.	84-85	63	Blake Griffin, LA-C	10-11	11	Pooh Richardson
3283	Carmelo Anthony, Den.	22.9	Shaquille O'Neal, Orl.	92-93	59	David Robinson, S.A.	89-90	8	Terrell Brandon
2755	Kobe Bryant, LA-L	22.8	Terry Cummings, S.D.	82-83	57	Tim Duncan, S.A.	97-98	6	Micheal Williams
2619	Dwight Howard, Orl.	22.6	Tim Duncan, S.A.	97-98	56	Hakeem Olajuwon, Hou.	84-85	5	Stephon Marbury
2548	Andrew Wiggins, Min.	22.5	Karl-Anthony Towns, Min.	15-16	52	Karl-Anthony Towns, Min.	15-16	4	Terry Porter
2144	Kevin Garnett, Min.	22.1	Walter Davis, Pho.	77-78	51	Ralph Sampson, Hou.	83-84	1	J.J. Barea
2122	Tracy McGrady, Tor.	22.1	Chris Paul, N.O.	05-06	50	Dikembe Mutombo, Den.	91-92	1	Chauncey Billups
2071	Kyrie Irving, Cle.	21.9	Blake Griffin, LA-C	10-11	47	Emeka Okafor, Cha.	04-05	1	Troy Hudson
2029	Bradley Beal, Was.	21.7	Chris Webber, G.S.	93-94	46	Larry Johnson, Cha.	91-92	1	Sidney Lowe

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KAT'S CORNER:

TOWNS EARNS ROOKIE HONOR: On May 16, Wolves center Karl-Anthony Towns was named the recipient of the Eddie Gottlieb Trophy as the 2015-16 Kia NBA Rookie of the Year, becoming just the fifth unanimous winner of the award since 1984 and joining teammate Andrew Wiggins (the 2014-15 honoree) to make Minnesota the first team with back-to-back winners since Buffalo's Bob McAdoo and Ernie DiGregorio in 1972-73 and 1973-74. Towns received all 130 first-place votes and 650 total points (5-3-1 format) from a panel of sportswriters and broadcasters throughout the U.S. and Canada, and was the only rookie to be listed on each ballot. New York forward Kristaps Porzingis finished second in the voting with 363 points and Denver center Nikola Jokic came in third with 59 points. Towns started all 82 games for the Wolves, averaging 18.3 ppg, 10.5 rpg and 1.68 bpg while ranking 3rd among all NBA players in double-doubles (52) and 8th in FG accuracy (54.2%). He tallied 30+ points on four occasions, topped by a season-high 35-point effort in the Feb. 10 win over Toronto, and registered season highs in rebounds (21) and assists (nine) Apr. 3 vs. Dallas.

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A CLEAN SWEEP: On Apr. 15, Minnesota center Karl-Anthony Towns was named the NBA's Western Conference Rookie of the Month for April. Towns, the top overall pick in the 2015 NBA Draft, led all rookies in scoring (18.9 ppg), rebounding (11.9 rpg), blocks (1.71 bpg) and double-doubles (a league-best six) while ranking 5th in both FG accuracy (49.1%) and assists (3.6 apg). He registered season highs in rebounds (21) and assists (nine) Apr. 3 vs. Dallas, becoming the NBA's first rookie to collect at least 21 rebounds and nine assists in the same game since Elgin Baylor in 1959. Towns scored 14 of his 27 points in the 4th quarter Apr. 9 at Portland, punctuated by hitting the game-winning jumper with 1.8 seconds left, and contributed 28 points and 14 rebounds in the Apr. 13 finale vs. New Orleans – a victory that saw Minnesota shoot 65.1% and ring up a franchise-record 144 points. It's Towns' sixth consecutive monthly honor; he's the eighth player since the award's inception in 1981-82 to earn six Rookie of the Month accolades, joining David Robinson, Tim Duncan, LeBron James, Carmelo Anthony, Chris Paul, Blake Griffin and Damian Lillard.

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GET ME REWRITE: Karl-Anthony Towns finished with 12 points in the Apr. 11 game vs Houston, boosting his season total to 1475 and moving him past Christian Laettner for the top rookie single-season total in Wolves history. Towns overtook Kevin Garnett for 1st place on the rookie block chart Apr. 5 at Golden State and broke Kevin Love's rookie rebounding mark Mar. 25 at Washington:

Minnesota Timberwolves Rookie Records

<u>Points, Season</u>	<u>Rebounds, Season</u>	<u>Blocked Shots, Season</u>
1503 Karl-Anthony Towns..... 2015-16	858 Karl-Anthony Towns..... 2015-16	138 Karl-Anthony Towns..... 2015-16
1472 Christian Laettner 1992-93	734 Kevin Love..... 2008-09	131 Kevin Garnett..... 1995-96
1387 Andrew Wiggins..... 2014-15	708 Christian Laettner 1992-93	121 Felton Spencer 1990-91
1313 Isaiah Rider 1993-94	641 Felton Spencer 1990-91	95 Dean Garrett 1996-97
1094 Jonny Flynn 2009-10	557 Tod Murphy 1989-90	84 Rasho Nesterovic 1999-00
1057 Stephon Marbury 1996-97	501 Kevin Garnett..... 1995-96	83 Christian Laettner 1992-93

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TOWNS IS WEEK'S BEST IN WEST: On Apr. 11, Wolves center Karl-Anthony Towns was named the NBA's Western Conference Player of the Week for games played Apr. 4-10. Towns helped Minnesota to a 3-0 record for the week – sweeping a West Coast trip that featured stops at Golden State, Sacramento and Portland – by averaging 21.3 ppg (50.0%), 10.3 rpg, 3.0 apg and 1.67 bpg. He tallied 20 points and 12 rebounds as the Timberwolves erased a 17-point, 3rd-quarter deficit to beat Golden State in OT on Apr. 5, added 17 points and 10 rebounds in the Apr. 7 victory at Sacramento, and rounded out the week with 27 points (including 14 in the 4th quarter) and nine rebounds Apr. 9 at Portland. It's the first weekly honor of Towns' career; he becomes the eighth player (and first rookie) in franchise history to win the award, joining Kevin Garnett (15 times), Kevin Love (twice), Al Jefferson (twice), Stephon Marbury (Feb. 21, 1999), Sam Cassell (Dec. 28, 2003), Nikola Pekovic (Apr. 8, 2013) and Mo Williams (Jan. 19, 2015).

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WOLF TRACKS: Minnesota finished 2015-16 with a 29-53 record, a 13-game improvement from 2014-15, when the Wolves won a league-low 16 games... It was the 3rd-largest increase in the NBA last season behind Charlotte (+15) and New York (+15), as well as the 3rd-best year-over-year bump in franchise history (+25 in 1999-2000, +14 in 1996-97)... The final record marks the fifth time in six seasons Minnesota has improved on its previous year's victory total... The Wolves have now missed the postseason in 12 straight years, after advancing to the playoffs every season from 1996-97 through 2003-04 (eight)... The current absence is the longest active postseason drought – Sacramento (10) and Phoenix (six) are next on that list – and equals the 2nd-longest in NBA history behind the Clippers franchise's 15-year siesta from 1976-77 through 1990-91 while drifting from Buffalo to San Diego to Los Angeles... Minnesota opened the season by splitting its first 16 games (through Nov. 27) before dropping 26 of its next 34 to tumble to 14-36... However, the Wolves recovered to put together a 15-17 record over their final 32 games (beginning Feb. 3), highlighted by a three-game West Coast sweep in April that featured wins at playoff-bound Golden State (124-117 on Apr. 5) and Portland (106-105 on Apr. 9)... Minnesota finished 15-26 away from Target Center, the only team in the NBA last season to win more games on the road than at home...

SCHEDULE NOTES: The Wolves won four of seven April starts, their first winning final month since going 6-4 in 2005 – highlighted by rallying from 17 points back to defeat Golden State, 124-117 in OT, on Apr. 5 at Oracle Arena... Over its final 35 games, Minnesota went 8-9 vs. teams with winning records but 7-11 vs. sub-.500 opponents... The Apr. 7 win at Sacramento hiked the Wolves' record to 10-8 vs. Pacific Division opponents, the first time they've ended above .500 vs. the Pacific since 2004-05 (also 10-8)... The Mar. 26 loss to Utah completed the final of 14 back-to-back sets for Minnesota; they finished 6-8 in the first and 2-12 in the second game of back-to-backs... The Wolves erased last-minute deficits in the 4th quarter and both OTs to edge Washington, 132-129, on Mar. 25 at the Verizon Center... That win came in Minnesota's final game vs. an Eastern Conference opponent for the season; they went 11-19 vs. the East (9-21 last year, 17-13 in 2013-14)... Coupled with the 113-104 triumph vs. Sacramento on Mar. 23, it was the first time Minnesota had enjoyed a winning streak since Feb. 3-6 (at L.A. Clippers, vs. Chicago)... The Mar. 7 defeat at Charlotte capped a run in which the Wolves played seven of nine vs. Eastern teams; it also concluded the second and final four-games-in-five-nights grind (Nov. 9-13)... Dallas routed the Wolves 128-101 loss on Feb. 28; the 27-point spread represented Minnesota's biggest loss in 2015-16...

ROAD TESTED: Minnesota completed its final road trip with a 3-0 record following the 106-105 victory at Portland on Apr. 9, ending an eight-game drought at the Moda Center... It's the fifth time in club history the Wolves have put together an unbeaten trip of at least three games, the first since going 4-0 from Dec. 2-7, 2005... Minnesota went 6-3 in its final nine away from Target Center, with four of the wins coming vs. opponents heading to the postseason (Oklahoma City, Memphis, Golden State, Portland)... Minnesota wrapped up a 2-2 trip with the 116-111 loss at Houston on Mar. 18; the four-game swing began with a buzzer-beating 99-96 victory at Oklahoma City on Mar. 11 and included a 114-108 win in Memphis on Mar. 16... The latter victory was just the Wolves' second at FedExForum in the last seven years, while the Mar. 11 triumph was their first in Oklahoma City since November 2008... Minnesota halted its five-game losing streak with the 108-102 victory Feb. 3 at the Clippers, in the finale of a four-game Western swing; the win also ended the Wolves' 14-game series slide vs. Los Angeles... The Clippers win stopped Minnesota's 12-game losing streak away from Target Center...

FINDING THE RANGE: The Wolves shot a blistering 65.1% in the season-ending Apr. 13 triumph over New Orleans, their 17th 50%+ outing in the last 41 contests... Minnesota hit 48.3% (106.3 ppg) in those 41 – including a franchise-record 68.4% in the Mar. 5 win over Brooklyn – after reaching the 50% mark just four times in its first 41 (44.6% and 98.6 ppg)... The 48.3% mark ranked 2nd in the NBA (behind only Golden State's 49.0%) over the season's second half; the Wolves also placed 2nd in True Shooting Percentage at 56.9% (trailing Golden State's 59.7%) and 7th in Effective FG Percentage during that stretch... Minnesota erupted for a club-record 144 points in the Apr. 13 finale vs. New Orleans, eclipsing the previous high of 143 set vs. the L.A. Lakers on Mar. 28, 2014... The Wolves have tallied 130+ points on 10 occasions all time, with three of those coming in the final six weeks of 2015-16 (132 vs. Brooklyn, Mar. 5; 132 at Washington, Mar. 25)... Overall, Minnesota finished 15th in scoring (102.4 ppg) and 7th in FG accuracy (46.4%)... They also ranked 8th in assists (23.4 apg); the 41 assists vs. New Orleans on Apr. 13 were a single-game high in the NBA last season...

ONES & THREES: Minnesota made all 31 of its FT attempts Feb. 19 at Memphis, just the 10th time in the past 50 years a team has been perfect from the line with 30+ FTA (first since Phoenix went 32-for-32 on Feb. 8, 2008)... The Wolves shot 43-for-53 on Feb. 10 vs. Toronto, the 2nd-most-prolific night in franchise history (52-for-64 at Denver, Mar. 3, 2014) and the 10th time they've made 40+ FTs in a game... Minnesota led the NBA last season in FTs made (21.4 per game) and ranked 2nd in FT attempts (27.0 per game) and 4th in FT accuracy (79.2%)... The Wolves' 13-for-28 effort from beyond the arc Apr. 13 vs. New Orleans marked a season best for three-pointers made... It was just the fifth time they'd hit 10+ treys, tying Milwaukee for the fewest such games in the NBA for 2015-16... The Wolves finished 8-for-17 from beyond the arc Jan. 13 at Houston, ending a run of 22 straight games in which they'd made fewer threes than their opponent – the longest such drought in NBA history... Minnesota picked up to 37.0% from long range (making 6.54 treys per game) over its final 28 starts, finishing the year ranked 25th in three-point accuracy (33.8%) and 29th in treys made (5.55 per game)...

THE DEFENSE RESTS: Houston shot 55.8% on Apr. 11, the league-leading 30th time the Wolves allowed 50%+; the Rockets fired at a 56.5% clip on Mar. 18, the top percentage vs. Minnesota last year... Houston's 129 points on Apr. 11 matched the high total by a Minnesota opponent in 2015-16, joining Golden State (Nov. 12) and Washington (Mar. 25)... Dallas shot 38.6% on Apr. 3, the Wolves' eighth sub-40% defensive effort of the season but first since Jan. 6 vs. Denver (41 games)... Minnesota limited Oklahoma City to 96 points on Mar. 11, ending a run of 16 consecutive games allowing 100+... That's the 2nd-longest such streak in franchise history; the Wolves gave up 100 or more 24 straight times from Feb. 15-Mar. 31, 1992... The Wolves held Denver to 78 points on Jan. 6, tying their best defensive outing of the season; they beat the Nuggets 95-78 on Oct. 30 and went 12-11 when holding the opposition under 100 points... Golden State sank 18 three-pointers on Nov. 12, matching the Target Center record set by Minnesota on Dec. 4, 2010 vs. Cleveland... For the year, the Wolves ranked 23rd in scoring defense (106.0 ppg) and 28th in defensive FG percentage (47.1%)...

THE BOARD REPORT: Minnesota outrebounded New Orleans 43-33 on Apr. 13, the 12th time last year they notched a double-digit edge; the biggest positive spread was 49-31 vs. Sacramento on Dec. 18... Memphis piled up a 51-33 edge on Mar. 16, the Wolves' second win on the four-game trip when facing a double-digit deficit (54-37 at Oklahoma City, Mar. 11); they finished 2-8 overall in that category... Minnesota came up short in 14 of its last 20 starts, being outboarded by -4.5 rpg (39.2-43.7) in that span; the Wolves had held the upper hand in 11 of their previous 14 games, enjoying a +4.7 rpg (43.5-38.8) margin... Phoenix outboarded Minnesota 57-36 on Mar. 14, its largest deficit of the season; the last team to be outrebounded by 17+ in three straight games was the Lakers in March 2014... The Wolves put together a run of three straight games with 10+ rebound margins in November (Nov. 9-10-12), tying the longest such streak in franchise history (most recently in 2004-05)... For the season, Minnesota ranked 21st in total rebounding pct (.495)...

Coach's Bio:

TOM THIBODEAU

Overall Record: 257-145
Seasons in League: 6th

Record with Minnesota: 2-6
Seasons with Minnesota: 1st

Named president of basketball operations and head coach on Apr. 20, 2016, becoming the 14th coach in team history... It's his second stint with the Timberwolves, having served as an assistant on Bill Musselman's staff in 1989-90 and 1990-91... Most recently spent five seasons (2010-11 through 2014-15) as the head coach in Chicago, *where he was named the NBA's Coach of the Year in 2010-11 after guiding the Bulls to a 62-20 record* and a trip to the Eastern Conference Finals in his first year on the bench... Followed up by directing Chicago to a 50-16 finish in 2011-12, again winning the Central Division while placing 2nd to Gregg Popovich in the Coach of the Year balloting... The Bulls qualified for the NBA Playoffs in all five seasons under his direction, reaching the Eastern Conference Semifinals in both 2012-13 and 2014-15, after advancing past the first round just once in the 12 years prior to his arrival... His winning percentage (.647) ranks 2nd all-time among Chicago coaches behind Phil Jackson (.738), while his 255 wins are good for 3rd behind Jackson (545) and Dick Motta (356)... In addition to Minnesota, has also served as an assistant with San Antonio (1992-94), Philadelphia (1994-96), New York (1996-2003), Houston (2003-07) and Boston (2007-10)... Chosen by USA Basketball as an assistant coach for the Men's National Team on June 10, 2013, and was part of the staff that won gold medals at the 2014 FIBA Basketball World Cup in Barcelona, Spain, and the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil... A 1981 graduate of Salem (Mass.) State, he began his coaching career at his alma mater the following season and ascended to the head coaching position in 1984-85, then spent the next four years as an assistant at Harvard prior to his entry into the NBA coaching ranks... Born on Jan. 17, 1958 in New Britain, Conn.

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THIBODEAU'S LIFETIME RECORD vs. THE NBA

Atlanta Hawks 12-5	Detroit Pistons 16-4	Milwaukee Bucks 16-4	Portland Trail Blazers 2-7
Boston Celtics 13-6	Golden State Warriors 5-4	Minnesota Timberwolves 8-1	Sacramento Kings 7-4
Brooklyn Nets (N.J.) 13-6	Houston Rockets 4-5	New Orleans Pelicans 7-3	San Antonio Spurs 4-5
Charlotte Hornets 12-6	Indiana Pacers 10-9	New York Knicks 13-5	Toronto Raptors 13-5
Chicago Bulls 0-0	Los Angeles Clippers 3-7	Oklahoma City Thunder 2-8	Utah Jazz 7-2
Cleveland Cavaliers 14-5	Los Angeles Lakers 6-3	Orlando Magic 14-5	Washington Wizards 11-7
Dallas Mavericks 6-3	Memphis Grizzlies 6-6	Philadelphia 76ers 12-4	
Denver Nuggets 3-7	Miami Heat 11-7	Phoenix Suns 7-2	TOTAL: 257-145

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THIBODEAU'S 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
2010-11	Chicago	62	20	.756	9	7	.563	2014-15	Chicago	50	32	.610	6	6	.500
2011-12	Chicago	50	16	.758	2	4	.333	2016-17	Minnesota	2	6	.250			
2012-13	Chicago	45	37	.549	5	7	.417								
2013-14	Chicago	48	34	.585	1	4	.200	Career	6 Seasons	257	145	.639	23	28	.451

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Player Bios:

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7th Year

Season Averages:

2.8 ppg 52.6 FG% 3.6 rpg 0.5 apg

Last 5 Games

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	8:30	1-2	0-0	0-0	0	0	1	1	0	2
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	14:34	1-1	0-0	0-2	5	0	1	0	1	2
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	23:26	1-3	0-0	2-2	5	1	2	1	0	4
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	11:49	0-2	0-0	0-0	5	2	0	0	1	0
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	14:07	4-6	0-0	0-0	3	0	1	0	0	8

Notable: Chipped in a season-high eight points Saturday vs. the Clippers... The minute total Nov. 8 at Brooklyn is a season best... Averaging 13.4 reb/48 and 2.77 stl/48 on the season... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a three-year contract on July 13; the Wolves are his sixth NBA team.

2015-16: Completed his sixth season in the NBA and first with the L.A. Clippers by playing in 60 games and drawing 22 DNP-CDs... Averaged 5.5 ppg, 4.8 rpg and a career-best 1.13 bpg in 13.3 mpg, shooting a career-best 59.6% from the field and 71.4% from the FT line... Added 3.8 ppg (66.7%) and 5.0 rpg in six postseason outings, highlighted by an 11-point effort Apr. 27 vs. Portland...

Notched season highs with 21 points (on 10-for-15 shooting) and 18 rebounds in the Apr. 8 win at Utah, one of five starts on the year... The minute (39:44) and steal (five) totals in that Utah game were both career highs; he was one of only two players in the NBA (joining DeMarcus Cousins) to collect 20+ points/15+ rebounds/5+ steals in a game... Overall, he averaged 15.8 ppg (63.5%), 11.0 rpg and 2.40 spg as a starter, logging 29.6 mpg... Had three double-doubles, including a 19-point, 10-rebound effort Jan. 16 vs. Sacramento... Blocked a season-high four shots Mar. 19 at Memphis, one of eight games in which he was credited with 3+ blocks... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a two-year contract with the Clippers on July 13, 2015; the second year was a player option.

Milestones: Needs 45 points to reach the 1000 plateau for his NBA career, and 13 rebounds for 1000.

Career vs. Lakers

	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
11 games.....	13.1	.560	.000	.667	3.5	0.8	0.55	0.8	1.00	3.3

Career Highs – Cole Aldrich

Points:	24	vs. Detroit.....	4/15/15
Rebounds:	19	@ Portland.....	12/28/14
Assists:	5	MR: vs. Minnesota.....	3/19/15
Steals:	5	@ Utah.....	4/8/16
Blocks:	5	MR: @ Golden State.....	3/14/15
Minutes:	40	@ Utah.....	4/8/16

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2nd Year

Season Averages:

4.5 ppg 34.2 FG% 3.4 rpg 1.0 apg

Last 5 Games

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	22:05	5-13	2-5	2-2	8	1	0	4	0	14
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	10:49	0-2	0-2	0-0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	12:20	2-5	1-3	0-1	5	0	1	1	1	5
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	7:18	0-1	0-1	0-0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	18:23	3-6	2-3	0-0	1	4	1	1	0	8

Notable: Dealt a season-best four assists Saturday vs. the Clippers... *Averaging 9.0 ppg (43.5%) and 5.7 rpg in three Target Center outings*, compared with 1.8 ppg (20.0%) and 2.0 rpg on the road... Tallied a season-high 14 points Nov. 3 vs. Denver (10 in the 4th quarter); the rebound and minute totals are also season bests... Chipped in a preseason-high 14 points Oct. 21 vs. Charlotte.

2015-16: Finished his rookie NBA season on a strong note, averaging 10.5 ppg (on 65.9% shooting, including 13-for-20 from beyond the arc) and 6.1 rpg while logging 24.2 mpg in his final eight contests... Appeared in 60 games overall, missing 15 due to injury (Nov. 20-27, bruised left knee; Feb. 19-Mar. 8, strained right foot) and drawing seven DNP-CDs... Tallied 5.1 ppg, 3.5 rpg and 1.4 apg in 17.9 mpg, shooting 46.8% from the floor, 38.4% (48-for-125) from three-point range and 72.7% from the FT line... Led the Wolves with 18 points in the Apr. 7 victory at Sacramento, one of 14 double-figure scoring nights... Claimed a game- and season-high 14 rebounds Apr. 11 vs. Houston, part of his second straight double-double; he totaled 11 points, 10 rebounds and four assists in the Apr. 9 win at Portland... Collected three point/rebound double-doubles in total, the first a 17-point, 11-rebound effort Nov. 7 at Chicago; he also posted season highs in minutes (40:13) and assists (five) in that contest... Picked off a season-best three steals Jan. 12 vs. Oklahoma City, and had a season-high two blocks Jan. 15 at Oklahoma City... Led Serbia to a fourth-place finish at EuroBasket 2015; he averaged a team-high 13.9 ppg (56.1%), 6.6 rpg and 2.7 apg in nine games... Signed to a three-year contract on July 14; his rights were originally acquired by the Wolves in a four-player deal with Washington on June 24, 2010.

2015-16 vs. Lakers

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	22:36	3-6	2-4	0-0	5	2	0	0	1	8
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	20:47	3-5	0-1	0-1	4	2	0	1	1	6
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	6:22	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	1	1	0	0	0

Career vs. Lakers

	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
3 games.....	16.7	.545	.400	.000	3.3	1.7	0.33	0.3	0.67	4.7

Career Highs – Nemanja Bjelica

Points:	18	@ Sacramento.....	4/7/16
Rebounds:	14	vs. Houston.....	4/11/16
Assists:	5	@ Chicago.....	11/7/15
Steals:	3	MR: vs. New Orleans.....	4/13/16
Blocks:	2	MR: @ Golden State.....	4/5/16
Minutes:	40	@ Chicago.....	11/7/15

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4th Year

Season Averages:

9.9 ppg 57.4 FG% 7.9 rpg 2.5 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	27:54	1-6	0-0	0-0	4	2	0	4	1	2
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	27:11	4-8	0-0	0-0	8	0	0	3	4	8
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	19:19	3-4	0-0	2-4	2	3	1	1	1	8
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	35:28	6-9	0-0	0-0	11	7	2	2	1	12
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	30:12	3-6	0-1	0-0	5	2	1	1	0	6

Notable: Handed out a season-high seven assists Wednesday at Orlando; the contest also marked his third double-double this year (45th career)... His four blocks Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City are a team season best; he ranks 12th in the NBA in blocks (1.50 bpg) and 6th in FG accuracy (57.4%)... Scored a season-high 17 points Nov. 1 vs. Memphis, and pulled in a season-high 14 rebounds Oct. 26 at Memphis... Signed a four-year contract extension on Oct. 31.

2015-16: Completed his third season with the Wolves by playing in all 82 games for the first time, including 39 starts... Averaged a career-high 10.1 ppg, 7.1 rpg, 1.7 apg and a career-best 1.15 spg in 27.1 mpg... Ranked 10th in the NBA in FG accuracy (53.2%, the fourth-best percentage in franchise history) and 30th in blocked shots (1.17 bpg), and improved his FT accuracy to 82.7% (205-for-248) after hitting 78.3% in 2014-15 and 63.4% as a rookie... Started the final 36 contests, beginning Jan. 27 vs. Oklahoma City; he averaged 12.7 ppg (55.6%), 8.0 rpg and 2.3 apg while logging 31.3 mpg in that stretch... Closed the season with 20 points and 11 rebounds vs. New Orleans on Apr. 13, his ninth career 20/10 performance (fourth of the year)... Was Minnesota's top scorer twice, tallying a career-high 25 points (highlighted by an 11-for-11 effort from the line) in the Mar. 11 victory at Oklahoma City... Put together a streak of four consecutive multi-steal, multi-block games from Mar. 7-14, the longest such run in the NBA last season and the second-longest in franchise history... Contributed 14 points and 12 rebounds at Memphis on Feb. 19, his career-best fifth straight double-double; the minute total (44:01) was a season high... Chipped in 24 points (with a season-high seven assists) Feb. 6 vs. Chicago, and contributed 20 points and a season-high 15 rebounds Jan. 29 at Utah, one of 15 double-doubles on the year... Tied his career high with six blocked shots Jan. 12 vs. Oklahoma City, and added five blocks Nov. 18 at Orlando... Had his 2016-17 contract option exercised on Oct. 21... Helped Sénégal to a fourth-place finish at AfroBasket 2015, held in Tunisia... Was the tourney's top scorer and rebounder, tallying 22.9 ppg (47.4%), 14.9 rpg, 3.7 apg and 1.29 spg in seven contests.

Milestones: Moved into 5th place on the Wolves' career blocked shot list Oct. 29 at Sacramento; he needs 17 blocks to overtake both Christian Laettner (299) and Al Jefferson (300) for 3rd all-time.

2015-16 vs. Lakers	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	20:19	1-4	0-0	2-2	4	1	1	1	2	4
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	30:25	0-3	0-0	5-6	7	1	1	1	0	5
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	36:48	6-9	0-2	7-9	6	5	1	2	0	19

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
10 games.....	21.3	.537	.000	.758	5.0	1.8	0.70	1.5	0.80	6.9

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Providence '16

Rookie

Season Averages:

4.6 ppg 35.7 FG% 3.4 rpg 4.0 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	29:52	1-6	0-1	1-2	5	9	3	4	0	3
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	28:23	2-8	0-0	3-6	4	3	1	1	0	7
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	15:40	0-1	0-1	0-0	3	2	1	1	0	0
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	17:28	1-3	0-0	0-0	2	3	0	1	2	2
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	19:06	0-4	0-1	3-4	4	4	2	1	0	3

Notable: Came off the bench Saturday vs. the Clippers, after starting the previous five contests... His nine assists Nov. 3 vs. Denver are a team season best... Made his first start Nov. 1 vs. Memphis, becoming the eighth Timberwolves rookie to swipe 5+ steals in a game... Leads all rookies in assists (4.0 apg) and steals (1.63 spg) and is 6th in rebounding (3.4 rpg)... Signed to a two-year contract on July 7... Selected by Minnesota in the 1st round (5th overall) of the 2016 NBA Draft on June 23.

2015-16: Repeated as the Big East Player of the Year and Defensive Player of the Year, joining Patrick Ewing as the conference's only two-time winners of both awards... Led Providence to a 24-11 record and a third consecutive NCAA Tournament berth by averaging 16.4 ppg, 5.3 rpg, 6.2 apg and 2.48 spg in 33 games (33.0 mpg)... Earned Second Team All-America honors from the Associated Press, USBWA, NABC and Sporting News, and was a Third Team selection by USA Today and ESPN... Shot 44.8% from the field, 37.2% (42-for-113) from long distance and 69.5% from the FT line... Ranked 5th nationally in steals and 16th in assists, finishing his career 4th on the Friars' all-time leaderboard in steals (208) and 3rd in assists (552)... Scored a career-high 32 points in the season opener (Nov. 14) vs. Harvard, adding a career-best eight steals... Registered his second career triple-double Dec. 2 vs. Hartford, totaling 16 points, 10 rebounds and a career-high 14 assists... Had five point/assists double-doubles, including a 13-point, 14-assist effort in the Jan. 24 win over Villanova, and posted a 4x7 effort Jan. 26 vs. Xavier (16 points, eight rebounds, seven assists, seven steals)... Capped his career with a 29-point performance vs. North Carolina in the second round of the NCAA Tournament.

ZACH LaVINE @ZachLaVine

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#8

3rd Year

Season Averages:**19.8 ppg 46.6 FG% 3.8 rpg 2.5 apg****Last 5 Games**

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	35:40	4-13	2-6	4-6	5	3	1	0	0	14
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	26:24	1-6	1-3	1-1	2	2	1	2	0	4
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	39:47	5-16	1-5	6-6	2	1	0	1	0	17
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	36:25	14-22	7-9	2-3	4	3	1	0	0	37
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	40:02	7-15	1-5	0-0	3	4	2	0	1	15

Notable: Erupted for a career-high-tying 37 points at Orlando; the seven treys are one shy of the franchise single-game record shared by Stephon Marbury and Kevin Love... Ranks 14th in three-point accuracy (46.0%) and 6th in treys made (2.88 per game)... Led all scorers with 31 points Nov. 1 vs. Memphis, one of four career 30+ outings; he snared a season-high five rebounds Oct. 29 at Sacramento... Had his 2017-18 contract option exercised on Oct. 23.

2015-16: His second year in Minnesota saw him play in all 82 games, averaging 14.0 ppg, 2.8 rpg and 3.1 apg in 28.0 mpg... Shot 45.2% from the floor and 79.3% from the FT line while ranking 26th in the NBA in three-point accuracy at 38.9%; his 123 treys made tied the fifth-highest single-season total in club history... Started 33 games, including each of the final 24; he tallied 17.3 ppg (47.4%) in 34.3 mpg as a starter, compared with 11.8 ppg (43.2%) in 23.7 mpg off the bench... Shot 43.6% (88-for-202) from three-point range over the final 44 games; the Wolves went 14-19 with him in the starting lineup (13-14 at shooting guard, 1-5 at point guard)... Played a season-high 44:39 at Charlotte on Mar. 7... Tied his career high with four steals in the Apr. 5 win at Golden State, and had a career-best three blocks Feb. 8 vs. New Orleans... Topped all scorers with 28 points Mar. 16 at Memphis; the six three-pointers tied his career best... Chosen as MVP of the 2016 BBVA Compass Rising Stars Challenge on Feb. 12 as part of All-Star Weekend in Toronto, after scoring 30 points; he also repeated as the Verizon Slam Dunk champion on Feb. 13... Erupted for a season-high 35 points Jan. 27 vs. Oklahoma City, his second career 30+ effort, and tied his career best with nine rebounds Jan. 12 vs. Oklahoma City... Dished a season-high eight assists Nov. 10 vs. Charlotte; the eight TOs in that game are a career high... Had his 2016-17 contract option exercised on Oct. 21.

Milestones: Scored his 2000th career point Nov. 3 vs. Denver; he needs 28 rebounds to reach the 500 mark.

2015-16 vs. Lakers	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	19:56	4-10	0-2	0-0	3	3	1	0	0	8
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	19:49	2-8	0-2	0-2	2	2	0	2	0	4
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	26:27	6-12	2-5	0-0	1	7	0	4	0	14

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
7 games.....	30.0	.427	.292	.850	3.3	4.6	0.14	2.7	0.00	14.3

Career Highs – Zach LaVine

Points:	37	MR: @ Orlando.....	11/9/16
Rebounds:	9	MR: vs. Oklahoma City....	1/12/16
Assists:	14	@ Golden State.....	12/27/14
Steals:	4	MR: @ Golden State.....	4/5/16
Blocks:	3	vs. New Orleans.....	2/8/16
Minutes:	48	vs. L.A. Lakers.....	3/25/15

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#11

Season Averages:**1.0 ppg 25.0 FG% 0.0 rpg 0.5 apg****Last 5 Games**

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	6:15	1-4	0-1	0-0	0	1	2	0	0	2
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	1:16	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	DNP-CD									

Notable: Made his Wolves debut Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City... Topped Minnesota with a preseason-high 18 points Oct. 16 at Oklahoma City... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a one-year contract on Aug. 24.

2015-16: Ended the season playing for Puerto Rican club Quebradillas, seeing action in eight games and averaging 11.0 ppg (36.9%), 3.6 rpg and 4.1 apg... Waived by Fort Wayne (D-League) on Mar. 7, having been acquired on Jan. 14... Played in 18 games for the Mad Ants, tallying 17.7 ppg, 3.1 rpg and 4.9 apg while shooting 46.4% from the floor and 86.5% from the FT line... Scored a season-high 26 points (shooting 5-for-8 from three-point range) Feb. 16 vs. Grand Rapids, one of 10 games with 20+; he totaled 23 points, eight assists and a season-high eight rebounds Feb. 21 at Los Angeles... Appeared in one preseason contest with Miami before being waived on Oct. 24; he'd signed with the Heat as an unrestricted free agent on Sept. 28.

Career Highs – John Lucas III

Points:	25	MR: vs. Cleveland.....	4/26/12
Rebounds:	8	vs. Washington.....	1/11/12
Assists:	9	vs. Sacramento.....	2/14/12
Steals:	4	@ Philadelphia.....	3/18/07
Blocks:	1	MR: @ Boston.....	3/13/13
Minutes:	46	vs. Washington.....	1/11/12

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
7 games.....	11.3	.400	.143	1.000	1.3	1.3	0.43	0.6	0.00	4.3

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#15

F 6-6 223 UCLA '13

4th Year

Season Averages:

7.9 ppg 44.9 FG% 2.3 rpg 0.3 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	13:15	2-5	1-1	0-0	1	0	1	0	0	5
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	21:13	6-9	0-0	3-3	4	0	0	1	1	15
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	24:22	3-12	1-4	0-0	4	0	0	1	0	7
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	19:11	4-6	1-1	4-7	1	0	1	1	0	13
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	15:25	1-2	0-0	2-2	1	0	0	1	0	4

Notable: Wednesday's outing was his 74th career double-figure effort, while the minute total at Brooklyn is a season best... Put in a season-high 15 points Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City... Returned Oct. 21 vs. Charlotte with 17 points, having missed the Oct. 19 contest vs. Memphis due to a sore right hip.

2015-16: Appeared in all 82 games as a reserve in his third NBA season, joining Scott Brooks (1991-92) and Anthony Peeler (2001-02) as the only players in club history to accomplish that feat... *His total of 863 points were the highest single-season haul off the bench ever by a Wolves player* (surpassing J.J. Barea's 807 in 2012-13) and marked the NBA's sixth-best figure in 2015-16...

Career Highs – Shabazz Muhammad

Points:	35	@ Golden State.....	4/5/16
Rebounds:	10	@ L.A. Clippers.....	12/1/14
Assists:	5	MR: vs. Phoenix.....	1/7/15
Steals:	3	MR: @ Washington.....	12/16/14
Blocks:	1	MR: @ Oklahoma City.....	11/5/16
Minutes:	39	@ Golden State.....	4/5/16

Averaged 10.5 ppg and 3.3 rpg in 20.5 mpg, shooting 46.5% from the field, 28.9% (44-for-152) from three-point distance and 76.4% from the FT line... Finished with a flurry, tallying 21.6 ppg (59.4%) in 23.8 mpg over the final five games (Minnesota went 4-1)... *Led all scorers with a career-high 35 points in the Apr. 5 win at Golden State*, his second career 30+ night and one of seven times he was the Wolves' top scorer... The minute total (38:55) and 15-for-17 effort from the FT line on Apr. 5 are also career bests; he'd averaged just 7.1 ppg (40.0%) in the previous 14 games... Scored 20+ points on nine occasions and was Minnesota's leading scorer seven times, pumping in a game-high 28 points (on 12-for-16 shooting) Apr. 13 vs. New Orleans... Misfired on 25 of his final 32 trey attempts (21.9%), on the heels of a 10-game run at 10-for-23 (43.5%)... Dished a season-high four assists Mar. 30 vs. the Clippers, and swiped a season-best two steals Feb. 2 at the Lakers... Hauled in a season-high nine rebounds on four occasions (most recently Mar. 2 vs. Washington) and contributed 25 points Jan. 23 vs. Memphis... Had his 2016-17 contract option exercised on Oct. 21.

Milestones: Needs 25 minutes for 3000 career and eight rebounds to reach the 500 mark.

2015-16 vs. Lakers	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	18:55	3-5	1-2	3-4	1	0	0	1	0	10
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	15:15	6-8	1-2	2-2	5	1	0	2	0	15
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	23:29	4-9	0-2	4-4	3	1	2	1	0	12

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
7 games.....	15.1	.566	.429	.789	2.6	0.6	0.57	1.0	0.00	11.1

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#33

F 6-10 237 Michigan State '14 3rd Year

Season Averages:

3.0 ppg 50.0 FG% 1.0 rpg 0.0 apg

Last 5 Games

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	6:15	2-3	0-1	2-2	1	0	0	0	0	6
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	1:16	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	DNP-CD									

Notable: Made his season debut Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City... Had a preseason-best 16 points Oct. 16 at Oklahoma City... Started eight games for the Wolves in the Las Vegas Summer League, averaging 15.5 ppg and 7.6 rpg.

2015-16: Wrapped up his second year in the NBA and in Minnesota by seeing action in 52 games... Averaged 2.5 ppg and 2.1 rpg in 9.3 mpg, shooting 36.6% from the field, 28.1% (9-for-32) from beyond the arc and 65.4% from the FT line... Shot just 30.6% (30-for-98) over his final 36 appearances, having hit 48.9% (23-for-47) in the first 16... Swiped a career-best three steals Apr. 11 vs. Houston, and dealt a team- and career-high four assists Mar. 30 vs. the L.A. Clippers... Logged 20+ minutes on three occasions, topped by a 20:57 stint vs. San Antonio on Mar. 8; he pulled down a season-best eight rebounds (in 20:49) Feb. 28 at Dallas... Recalled from the D-League's Erie BayHawks on Feb. 1; he netted 26.3 ppg (44.4%), 9.3 rpg and 4.3 apg in three outings with Erie, having been assigned on Jan. 25... Chipped in a season-high 10 points Nov. 10 vs Charlotte, his lone double-figure outing and the first of two starting assignments (also Nov. 18 at Orlando)... Had his 2016-17 contract option exercised on Oct. 21.

Career Highs – Adreian Payne

Points:	16	@ L.A. Clippers.....	3/9/15
Rebounds:	15	@ L.A. Clippers.....	3/9/15
Assists:	4	MR: vs. L.A. Clippers.....	3/30/16
Steals:	3	vs. Houston.....	4/11/16
Blocks:	2	MR: @ San Antonio.....	12/28/15
Minutes:	37	@ L.A. Clippers.....	3/9/15

2015-16 vs. Lakers

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	3:47	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	4:48	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	6:31	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	1	0	2

Career vs. Lakers

	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
5 games.....	14.2	.500	.000	.625	2.6	0.8	0.20	0.8	0.00	4.2

NIKOLA PEKOVIĆ

#14

C 6-11 307 Montenegro 7th Year

2015-16 Averages:

4.5 ppg 38.0 FG% 1.8 rpg 0.9 apg

Notable: Expected to miss the entire 2016-17 season due to recurring pain in his right ankle.

2015-16: Saw his sixth NBA season abbreviated by injury, playing in just 12 games (all in January)... Sideline for the first 35 contests while recovering from surgery on his right Achilles tendon, then missed the final 33 games due to soreness in his right ankle... Averaged 4.5 ppg and 1.8 rpg in 13.0 mpg while shooting 38.0% from the floor and 80.0% from the FT line... Hauled in just 21 rebounds in 156 minutes on the season (6.5 reb/48), half of his career rate entering 2015-16 (13.0 reb/48)... Made his third start of the year on Jan. 25 at Cleveland (also Jan. 20 at Dallas and Jan. 13 at Houston)... Chipped in 10 points in a season-high 17:33 at Oklahoma City on Jan. 15, and pulled down five rebounds Jan. 13 at Houston... Made his debut Jan. 6 vs. Denver, netting a season-high 12 points.

Career Highs – Nikola Pekovic

Points:	34	@ L.A. Clippers.....	12/22/13
Rebounds:	18	MR: vs. Philadelphia.....	2/20/13
Assists:	4	MR: vs. Golden State.....	2/11/15
Steals:	3	MR: @ Phoenix.....	2/26/13
Blocks:	4	MR: @ Utah.....	1/2/13
Minutes:	46	@ L.A. Clippers.....	12/22/13

2015-16 vs. Lakers

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	Inactive-Right Achilles Surgery									
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	Inactive-Right Achilles Surgery									
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	Inactive-Sore Right Ankle									

Career vs. Lakers

	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
13 games.....	25.2	.489	.000	.762	7.5	0.8	0.85	2.1	0.46	13.8

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#9

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6th Year

Season Averages:

5.3 ppg 35.7 FG% 3.7 rpg 6.3 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	Inactive-Sprained Right Elbow									
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	Inactive-Sprained Right Elbow									
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	Inactive-Sprained Right Elbow									
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	Inactive-Sprained Right Elbow									
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	24:23	2-5	1-2	2-4	6	6	1	3	0	7

Notable: Returned on Saturday, having missed five games after suffering the elbow injury Oct. 29 at Sacramento... *Pulled down a career-high five offensive boards vs. the Clippers*... Represented Spain at the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio de Janeiro, averaging 5.0 ppg, 2.8 rpg and 2.9 apg in eight starts.

2015-16: Returned to full-time duty in his fifth Wolves campaign, starting 76 games including all 65 after November... Missed four games (Nov. 10-15) due to a strained left hamstring and two (Nov. 27-29) with a sore left ankle... Averaged 10.1 ppg and 4.3 rpg in 30.6 mpg, shooting 37.4% from the floor, 32.6% (62-for-190) from beyond the arc and a career-best 84.7% (266-for-314) from the line... *Ranked 5th in the NBA in assists (8.7 apg), 2nd in steals (2.13 spg), 4th in ast/TO ratio (3.40-to-1) and 27th in FT accuracy*... Topped the Wolves in assists 65 times, collecting 12 point/assist double-doubles as well as two of the point/rebound variety... Contributed 23 points Mar. 26 vs. Utah, the fourth time he led the Wolves and his fourth 20+ outing of the season... Handed out a franchise-record-tying 17 assists Mar. 14 at Phoenix; he registered seven double-doubles in March, boosting his career total to 61... *Sank the game-winning three-pointer with :00.2 left Mar. 11 at Oklahoma City*; he converted 34 of 90 trey attempts (37.8%) in the season's final 29 contests... Moved past Pooh Richardson (1973) for 2nd place on the Wolves' all-time assist chart Jan. 23 vs. Memphis, and handed out his 2000th career assist Jan. 27 vs. Oklahoma City... Pulled in his 1000th career rebound Jan. 2 vs. Milwaukee... Totaled nine points, 10 rebounds, 12 assists and eight steals Dec. 16 at New York, the NBA's first 4x8 game (pts/reb/ast/stl) since 2002; the eight steals tied the Wolves' single-game mark he shares with Tyrone Corbin and Terrell Brandon... Pulled in a season-high 12 rebounds Nov. 18 at Orlando *and scored a career-high 28 points Oct. 28 at the Lakers*, adding 14 assists.

Career Highs – Ricky Rubio

Points:	28	@ L.A. Lakers	10/28/15
Rebounds:	13	vs. San Antonio.....	3/12/13
Assists:	17	MR: @ Phoenix	3/14/16
Steals:	8	MR: @ New York	12/16/15
Blocks:	2	MR: vs. New Orleans	1/1/14
Minutes:	49	@ Dallas	3/19/14

2015-16 vs. Lakers	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	32:29	10-17	2-4	6-7	2	14	1	1	0	28
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	33:14	0-4	0-2	5-6	9	12	1	3	0	5
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	29:01	4-10	0-2	2-2	2	15	1	2	0	10

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
13 games.....	32.2	.398	.318	.800	5.2	10.4	1.62	2.5	0.15	10.2

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G 6-6 225 Kansas '08

9th Year

Season Averages:

2.8 ppg 26.3 FG% 1.6 rpg 0.8 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	12:20	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	1	0
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	19:18	0-6	0-5	0-0	3	1	1	1	0	0
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	DNP-CD									
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	Inactive									

Notable: Scored a season-high nine points Nov. 1 vs. Memphis... Started the final three preseason contests; the 14-point effort Oct. 21 vs. Charlotte was his best... Signed as an unrestricted free agent to a one-year deal on July 8; the Wolves are his fourth NBA team.

2015-16: Completed his eighth season in the NBA by playing in 72 games (25 starts) for Golden State, his top totals since 2009-10... Missed two games due to injury and drew eight DNP-CDs... Tallied 4.2 ppg and 2.5 rpg in 14.7 mpg, shooting 42.7% from the floor, 41.4% (65-for-157) from three-point range and 64.3% from the FT line... Tacked on 23 points and 23 rebounds in 14 playoff appearances (totaling 110 minutes), seeing action in five of seven games during the NBA Finals vs. Cleveland... Contributed playoff career bests of 15 points vs. Houston on Apr. 27 and seven rebounds at Oklahoma City on May 22... Averaged 7.0 ppg (50.0%) and 3.3 rpg as a starting, sinking 49.4% of his three-point attempts (38-for-77); Golden State won 21 of those 25 games... Scored a season-high 20 points Jan. 8 at Portland, going 8-for-9 from the field; he reached double figures on 10 occasions overall... Hauled down a season-best nine rebounds Jan. 5 at the L.A. Lakers, and dealt a season-high four assists Mar. 27 vs. Philadelphia.

Career Highs – Brandon Rush

Points:	29	MR: vs. Washington	3/29/09
Rebounds:	12	vs. Orlando.....	4/12/10
Assists:	6	@ Boston	3/12/10
Steals:	4	vs. Orlando.....	1/5/10
Blocks:	5	MR: vs. L.A. Clippers.....	11/18/10
Minutes:	54	vs. L.A. Clippers.....	12/19/08

Milestone: Needs 19 three-pointers to reach 500 for his NBA career.

Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
18 games.....	19.7	.442	.319	.786	3.0	0.8	0.22	0.8	0.44	7.0

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2nd Year

Season Averages:

22.1 ppg 52.7 FG% 8.5 rpg 2.8 apg

Last 5 Games	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	37:31	11-19	2-4	8-10	14	2	1	2	2	32
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	30:56	13-20	3-4	4-5	6	0	0	3	1	33
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	32:01	8-15	1-4	4-4	7	4	0	3	1	21
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	40:42	7-16	1-3	5-5	11	1	2	0	1	20
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	33:19	10-18	1-3	3-4	10	2	2	3	2	24

Notable: Saturday's outing was his third 20/10 effort in the last five (28th career); he's averaging 26.0 ppg (55.7%) and 9.6 rpg in those five contests... Pumped in a season-high 33 points at Oklahoma City, his second straight 30+ night and the sixth of his career; he tallied 25 points by halftime, his career best for any half... Led all scorers with 32 points Nov. 3 vs. Denver, adding a season-high 14 rebounds for his second straight double-double (one of 56 career)... Had his 2017-18 contract option exercised on Oct. 23.

2015-16: Put together perhaps the best rookie season in Timberwolves history, culminating in being a unanimous choice as the NBA's Rookie of the Year...

starting all 82 games and averaging 18.3 ppg, 10.5 rpg, 2.0 apg and 1.68 bpg in 32.0 mpg... Shot 54.2% from the floor (the second-highest percentage in team history), 34.1% (30-for-88) from beyond the arc and 81.1% from the FT line... Ranked 8th in the NBA in rebounding, 8th in FG accuracy, 10th in blocks, 26th in scoring and 3rd in double-doubles (52); he led all rookies in scoring while ranking 3rd in FT accuracy (81.0%), 11th in steals (0.71 spg) and 1st in minutes... Chosen as the Western Conference Player of the Week for Apr. 4-10 (the first Wolves rookie to be so honored) and swept all six Western Conference Rookie of the Month awards... Was Minnesota's leading rebounder 63 times and top scorer on 27 occasions; he had 32 games with 20+ points among his 73 double-figure efforts... Sank the game-winning jumper with :01.8 to play Apr. 9 at Portland... Posted career highs in rebounds (21) and assists (nine) Apr. 3 vs. Dallas; he's the NBA's first rookie to collect at least 21 rebounds and nine assists in the same game since Elgin Baylor (Feb. 9, 1959 vs. New York)... The 21 rebounds vs. Dallas tied Gorgui Dieng's club rookie record (Mar. 20, 2014 at Houston), while his 18 defensive boards broke Christian Laettner's franchise rookie mark (17 vs. Charlotte, Mar. 21, 1993)... Led all scorers with 32 points Mar. 18 at Houston... Was Minnesota's leading scorer in 19 of the final 40 games; he averaged 21.3 ppg (55.8%), 11.5 rpg, 2.8 apg and 1.65 bpg in those 40 contests... Collected 30 points and 15 rebounds Feb. 27 at New Orleans, the first 30/15 by a rookie since Blake Griffin in March 2011... Won the Taco Bell Skills Challenge on Feb. 13 as part of All-Star Weekend in Toronto; he also played in the BBVA Compass Rising Stars Challenge on Feb. 12... Pumped in a career-high 35 points vs. Toronto on Feb. 10, and had a career-high six blocked shots Jan. 20 at Dallas... Signed to a two-year contract on July 7... Selected by Minnesota in the 1st round (1st overall) of the 2015 NBA Draft on June 25.

Milestones: Needs 10 games to reach the 100 career mark, 95 minutes for 3000, and 75 rebounds for 1000.

2015-16 vs. Lakers	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	31:53	6-10	0-1	2-2	12	1	0	3	0	14
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	34:58	11-19	0-1	4-6	14	1	0	2	3	26
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	31:58	6-9	1-2	1-2	10	2	0	1	2	14
Career vs. Lakers	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
3 games.....	33.0	.605	.250	.700	12.0	1.3	0.00	2.0	1.67	18.0

Career Highs – Karl-Anthony Towns

Points:	35	vs. Toronto.....	2/10/16
Rebounds:	21	vs. Dallas.....	4/3/16
Assists:	9	vs. Dallas.....	4/3/16
Steals:	3	MR: @ L.A. Clippers.....	11/29/15
Blocks:	6	MR: @ Dallas.....	1/20/16
Minutes:	48	@ Washington.....	3/25/16

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3rd Year

Season Averages:

23.8 ppg 45.2 FG% 4.1 rpg 2.1 apg

Last 5 Games

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Nov. 3 vs. Denver.....	34:45	9-18	2-3	5-5	3	1	0	1	0	25
Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City.....	26:47	3-13	0-1	1-2	3	1	1	3	1	7
Nov. 8 at Brooklyn.....	40:45	13-29	6-7	4-8	8	2	1	4	0	36
Nov. 9 at Orlando.....	38:35	10-18	2-4	7-9	4	6	0	2	0	29
Nov. 12 vs. L.A. Clippers.....	36:46	8-24	1-4	5-5	4	3	1	3	0	22

Notable: Erupted for a career-high 36 points at Brooklyn; the six treys are also a career best... Grabbed a team- and season-high eight rebounds on Tuesday, including a career-high five on the offensive end... Leads the NBA in three-point accuracy (57.7%) and is 14th in scoring (23.8 ppg)... Held to a season-low seven points Nov. 5 at Oklahoma City... Snagged seven rebounds Oct. 26 at Memphis; the game also marked the 15th time he's made 10+ FTs in a contest... Had his 2017-18 contract option exercised on Oct. 23.

2015-16: Finished his second NBA year as Minnesota's leading scorer, ranking 19th in the league at 20.7 ppg to become the seventh player in club history to average 20+ ppg over a full season... Started 81 games; the Nov. 10 DNP vs. Charlotte was the first of his career... Tallied 3.6 rpg and 2.0 apg in 35.1 mpg (19th in the NBA), shooting 45.9% from the field, 30.0% (57-for-190) from three-point range and 76.1% from the line... His 565 FT attempts marked the fourth-highest single-season total in Wolves history and placed him 7th in the NBA... Hiked his FG accuracy to 48.9% after Feb. 1, including 40.0% (30-for-75) from long distance... Was Minnesota's top scorer on 33 occasions and reached double figures 77 times, including 48 games with 20+ points... Scored his 3000th career point Apr. 7 at Sacramento... Pumped in 32 points (adding a career-high six steals) in the Apr. 5 win at Golden State, his 10th and final 30+ night of the season (14th career) and, coupled with the 30-point effort Apr. 3 vs. Dallas, marked the third time this year he'd tallied 30+ in consecutive games... Went 17-for-21 from the FT line Mar. 28 vs. Phoenix, his career highs in both categories; he also tied a career best with three blocks in the game... Played in the BBVA Compass Rising Stars Challenge on Feb. 12, part of All-Star Weekend in Toronto; he netted 29 points... Scored a game-high 31 points Feb. 3 at the L.A. Clippers, one night after a 30-point effort at the L.A. Lakers; he also had 30+ back-to-back Nov. 7-9 (at Chicago, at Atlanta)... Erupted for a career-high 35 points Jan. 8 vs. Cleveland... Scored 32 points Dec. 18 vs. Sacramento, adding a career-high 10 rebounds and six assists; he's the 7th player in franchise history to record a 30+ pt/10+ reb/5+ ast game... Had his 2016-17 contract option exercised on Oct. 21... Helped Canada claim the bronze medal at the 2015 FIBA Americas Championship, held in México City... Tallied 15.1 ppg (49.5%), 4.4 rpg and 2.3 apg in 10 games.

Career Highs – Andrew Wiggins

Points:	36	@ Brooklyn.....	11/8/16
Rebounds:	10	MR: vs. Sacramento.....	12/18/15
Assists:	9	@ Golden State.....	4/11/15
Steals:	6	@ Golden State.....	4/5/16
Blocks:	3	MR: vs. Phoenix.....	3/28/16
Minutes:	49	vs. L.A. Lakers.....	3/25/15

Milestones: Sank his 100th career three-pointer Nov. 1 vs. Memphis, and went over the 6000-minute mark Tuesday at Brooklyn.

2015-16 vs. Lakers

	Min	FG-A	3P-A	FT-A	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
Oct. 28 at Los Angeles.....	29:05	2-10	0-2	5-6	1	0	0	2	0	9
Dec. 9 at Minnesota.....	36:07	7-16	0-2	5-5	0	2	0	1	0	19
Feb. 2 at Los Angeles.....	41:10	13-20	1-2	3-6	4	1	1	1	2	30

Career vs. Lakers

	Min	FG%	3Pt%	FT%	Reb	Ast	Stl	TO	Blk	Pts
7 games.....	36.4	.442	.182	.887	4.0	2.0	0.86	2.0	0.57	19.0