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# Wednesday, January 10, 2024 WISCONSIN BADGERS @ OHIO STATE BUCKEYES 

Game Time: 8:30pm ET<br>TV: BTN Network<br>Selection: Wisconsin + 2.5

Wisconsin enters today's contest vs Ohio State winners of their last 4 in a row. They rank 7th overall in offensive adjusted efficiency and play solid defense as well ranked 33rd overall in the country in defensive adjusted efficiency. Both of these rankings are superior to Ohio State as they are ranked 22nd and 65th respectively. Ohio State turns the ball over at a much higher rate (17\% 135th on KenPom) than Wisconsin (15\% 40th on KenPom) which is also cause for concern. Not to mention Wisconsin is 2nd in the nation in steal percentage at 6.6\%.

In this matchup Wisconsin has won 5 of the last 8 and are now much deeper than they were last year in their rotation with the addition of wing A.J. Storr a transfer from St. John's who currently leads the team in scoring at 14.7 points per game. In previous seasons, Wisconsin has struggled to score and have played more of a slow down half court offense. With more scoring options this year, their style of play is quicker tempo and taking more shots but structured ones.

Ohio State has played a much softer schedule (150th strength of schedule on KenPom) than Wisconsin (9th toughest strength of schedule on KenPom) and has a few questionable losses particularly at Penn St. and their last game at Indiana. Wisconsin is the superior team at the present time and should be able to overcome Ohio State's home court advantage. In addition, Ohio State knocked out Wisconsin in I;ast year's Big 10 Tournament so they have pay back on their minds this evening. Take the generous 2.5 points.

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