

New Orleans at New Mexico

11 a.m., Wednesday, the Pit. **Radio:** 610 AM/95.9 FM. **Streaming:** TheMW.com

New Orleans Privateers (0-2, 0-0 Southland)

Coach: Trelanne Powell (3rd season at UNO, 16-45, overall 113-77)

Projected starters

	Pos.	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	APG
12 Lauren Banks	G	5-10	Sr.	9.0	2.0	0.5
1 Shanihya Brown	G	5-5	Sr.	8.5	2.5	2.5*
23 Trinity Bane	F	6-0	Jr.	2.5	1.5	1.0*
21 Aaliyah Ellis	G	5-9	Sr.	2.0	1.0	1.5*
33 Jayla Kimbrough	G	5-9	Sr.	2.0	7.0	1.5*

Top reserves

	Pos.	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	APG
11 Brialle Washington	G	5-7	Sr.	11.0	3.0	1.5
14 Chenai Mushore	F	6-4	Sr.	1.0	1.0	0.5*
4 Jayla Owen	G	5-7	Sr.	8.5	3.0	1.5
0 Hailee Brennen	F	6-3	Sr.	4.5	3.0	0.5*
8 Mikayla Johnson	G	5-10	Fr.	4.0	2.5	0.5*
5 Mariah Hart	G	5-8	Fr.	1.0	0	0.5

^Blocks *Steals

What you need to know about New Orleans: The Privateers will be playing their third straight road game to start the season after losses to No. 22 Oklahoma State and Tulsa. UNO got blown out 109-48 in its opener and its stats will be skewed for some time because of that one-sided result. More telling is a 77-60 loss at Tulsa that stayed close until the fourth quarter. Banks and Washington carried the Privateers' offense, combining for 31 points, while Kimbrough pulled down 12 rebounds. New Orleans has a veteran team with 10 seniors and plenty of depth, especially at the guard spots. UNO is 12-for-40 (30%) from 3-point range in its first two games, but has been burned defensively from long range. Opponents have gone 30-of-73 from behind the 3-point arc. The Privateers are allowing 93 points and 50 rebounds per game, but again those averages are skewed. Powell has employed 13 players in each of UNO's first two games and her rotation may still be a work-in-progress. Four of the Privateers' top six scorers have come off the bench thus far.

New Mexico Lobos (2-1, 0-0 Mountain West)

Coach: Mike Bradbury (10th season at UNM, 182-104, overall 360-221)

Projected starters

	Pos.	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	APG
4 Alyssa Hargrove	G	5-8	Sr.	8.3	4.3	5.5
3 Destinee Hooks	G	5-9	Jr.	18.0	5.3	1.7
13 Joana Magalhães	G	5-5	So.	6.7	3.0	4.0*
40 Clarissa Craig	F/C	6-3	Sr.	9.7	4.7	1.0^
12 Cacia Antonio #	G	5-11	Jr.	13.9	6.4	3.1

Top reserves

	Pos.	Ht.	Year	PPG	RPG	APG
11 Nayli Padilla	G	5-9	So.	10.7	4.7	2.0
44 Laila Abdurraqib	G	5-6	Fr.	6.0	2.0	1.3
24 Jessie Joaquim	F	6-2	Jr.	2.7	2.7	0.3^
23 Emma Najuma	F	6-4	So.	2.3	3.7	0.7*
15 Drew Jordan	G/F	5-11	Jr.	0.7	1.3	0.3*
5 Kaia Foster	G	6-2	Fr.	2.5	3.0	1.0
20 Tyler Jones	G	5-9	Fr.	1.7	0	0.7*
14 Leonor Peixinho	F	6-1	Fr.	1.0	0	0

^Blocks *Steals #Stats from 2024-25

What you need to know about New Mexico: The Lobos got something of a wake-up call in Sunday's 71-64 win over North Carolina A&T, squandering a 13-point lead before rallying in the fourth quarter. Fouls (20 per game) and turnovers (17.3 per game) have prevented UNM from finding a consistent rhythm. The Lobos' player rotation will change Wednesday as talented guard Cacia Antonio makes her first regular-season appearance. Antonio, who was ruled ineligible for UNM's first three games, provides quickness and scoring ability that figures to play well with the team's fast, aggressive style. Hooks continues to be the Lobos' go-to scorer and has been effective inside and from 3-point range (7 of 15). Hargrove, Padilla, Magalhães and Abdurraqib have also provided offense from the guard spots, but they could afford to look inside a bit more often. Craig is hitting 67% of her field goal attempts and is 12-of-13 from the foul line but has attempted just 12 shots in three games.