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Road Trip To Watch Gators Play Could Be Costly

Tickets On Web Going For \$500+

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ORLANDO, Fla. -- The Florida Gators are preparing to face the Oklahoma Sooners in the BCS National Championship on Thursday.

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For those who are considering a road trip to the game, they should get their checkbooks ready.

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For a closer seat, spectators could pay about \$1,500 per seat.

Analysts said the tough economy is actually helping fans.

"The average ticket price on the sites looks to be \$823 compared to 2007 was about \$1,163, and the 2006 price was about \$1,361," TicketNetwork.com representative Michael Garvie said.

The cheapest hotel available online was going for about \$229 per night.

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