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Regular Season Recap for BP Sports

With only 8 games remaining in the football season (7 NFL playoff games plus the National Championship), we thought it would be a good time to recap the season here at BP Sports. First, we couldn't wouldn't be here without your support and patronage. Again, we can't thank you enough that you took a chance on us in these first couple of seasons of BP Sports and for that we'll be forever grateful to you.

One year removed from an historically great season, it was NOT a good season on these pages especially on the college side where we finished an extremely disappointing 31-37-3. We are 21-18 in the bowls so far so hopefully it was more of an out-lier type of year. Rest assured we will be making some changes in our CFB handicapping process in 2020 as this season was unacceptable. On the positive side, the NFL remains super strong as we've never had a losing season in the NFL on these pages and we've never been below 56% in any season! That is extremely rare and it shows in the 5 year cumulative records (see page 3) as we're dominating the competition.

It does give us great pleasure that when you factor in the combined record in the last 5 years, we are the No. 1 most accurate newsletter (see page 3) in the regular season by far. **It's not even close as we have a 27-game lead on the Sports Reporter in terms of overall net wins in CFB/NFL.**

As with any season win or lose, there are still many lessons to be taken from this year. First and foremost, there are no guarantees in this industry and winning consistently is very hard to do. **Keep in mind, the Nevada sports books have now shown a profit in each of the last 75 months. Their last losing month came way back in July 2013.** That's some pretty stiff competition we're going up against every single week, month and year. With this sub-par season, we'll obviously try to learn from it as the market continues to evolve especially with the legalization nation wide brings more money and competition into the market place.

If you have any suggestions or comments on how we can improve this newsletter in the future please fill out the form on page 3 and we'll deduct $10 off next year's newsletter. Remember the discount prices expire Super Bowl Sunday.

We hope you've enjoyed this season of BP Sports and we'll certainly try get to get better with each passing season.

CFB & NFL Schedules with Lines Wk 20 January 11-13

NFL Divisional Saturday, Jan 11	Line	BP			All Times Eastern
301 MINNESOTA 4:35 p.m. NBC	44.5	47			
302 SAN FRANCISCO	-7	-5			
303 TENNESSEE 8:15 p.m. CBS	47	45			
304 BALTIMORE	-9.5	-11			

FCS Champ Saturday, Jan 11	Line	BP			All Times Eastern
801 JAMES MADISON 12:00 p.m. Frisco, TX ABC	-1.5	NL			
802 NORTH DAKOTA ST	49	NL			

NFL Wildcard Sunday, Jan 12	Line	BP			All Times Eastern
305 HOUSTON 3:05 p.m. CBS	51	51			
306 KANSAS CITY	-9.5	-11			
107 SEATTLE 6:40 p.m. FOX	47	45			
108 GREEN BAY	-4	-3			

National Champ Monday, Jan 13	Line	BP			All Times Eastern
283 CLEMSON 8:00 p.m. New Orleans, LA ESPN	69.5	69			
284 LSU	-6	-1			

2019 Nationwide Football Newsletter Contest (Regular Season Only)

We are happy to provide you with the records, standings and plays used from the Power Sweep (3★, 4★ & Underdog), Gold Sheet (Key Releases), Power Plays (4.5★ for College 4★ for NFL), Sports Reporter (Best & Super Bets), Winning Points (Best Bets & Preferred), Playbook (3-5★'s), Pointwise (Ratings 1-4), Powers' Picks (1-4★'s) and the Sunday Night Owl Report (1-4★'s).

College Newsletter	W	L	T	%	Net
Sports Reporter	30	23	1	56.60%	7
Power Sweep	28	29	0	49.12%	-1
Playbook	19	20	3	48.72%	-1
Power Plays	15	16	0	48.39%	-1
Night Owl	21	23	1	47.73%	-2
Winning Points	41	45	0	47.67%	-4
Pointwise	39	46	2	45.88%	-7
Powers' Picks	**31**	**37**	**3**	**45.59%**	**-6**
Gold Sheet	26	33	0	44.07%	-7
Combined	**250**	**272**	**10**	**47.89%**	**-22**

NFL Newsletter	W	L	T	%	Net
Night Owl	11	6	0	64.71%	5
Gold Sheet	31	19	1	62.00%	12
Powers' Picks	**28**	**20**	**3**	**58.33%**	**8**
Pointwise	28	22	1	56.00%	6
Power Plays	9	8	0	52.94%	1
Sports Reporter	19	17	0	52.78%	2
Winning Points	32	34	2	48.48%	-2
Power Sweep	14	17	3	45.16%	-3
Playbook	22	27	2	44.90%	-5
Combined	**194**	**170**	**12**	**53.30%**	**24**

College/NFL Combined Newsletter	W	L	T	%	Net
Sports Reporter	49	40	1	55.06%	9
Night Owl	32	29	1	52.46%	3
Gold Sheet	57	52	1	52.29%	5
Powers' Picks	**59**	**57**	**6**	**50.86%**	**2**
Power Plays	24	24	0	50.00%	0
Pointwise	67	68	3	49.63%	-1
Winning Points	73	79	2	48.03%	-6
Power Sweep	42	46	3	47.73%	-4
Playbook	41	47	5	46.59%	-6
Combined	**444**	**442**	**22**	**50.11%**	**2**

Brad Powers Early ATS Picks on All 39 Bowls
2019-20 Record 23-16 (59%)

Bowl Game	Matchup	Early ATS Pick
Bahamas Bowl	Buffalo vs Charlotte	Buffalo (-)-WIN
Frisco Bowl	Kent St vs Utah St	Kent St (+)-WIN
New Mexico Bowl	Central Michigan vs San Diego St	San Diego St (-)-WIN
Cure Bowl	Liberty vs Georgia Southern	Liberty (+)-WIN
Boca Raton Bowl	SMU vs Florida Atlantic	SMU (-)-LOSS
Camellia Bowl	FIU vs Arkansas St	FIU (+)-LOSS
Las Vegas Bowl	Washington vs Boise St	Washington (-)-WIN
New Orleans Bowl	UAB vs Appalachian St	UAB (+)-WIN
Gasparilla Bowl	Marshall vs UCF	Marshall (+)-LOSS
Hawaii Bowl	BYU vs Hawaii	Hawaii (+)-LOSS
Independence Bowl	Miami, FL vs Louisiana Tech	Louisiana Tech (+)-WIN
Quick Lane Bowl	Pittsburgh vs Eastern Michigan	Eastern Mich (+)-WIN
Military Bowl	North Carolina vs Temple	North Carolina (-)-WIN
Pinstripe Bowl	Michigan St vs Wake Forest	Wake Forest (+)-LOSS
Texas Bowl	Oklahoma St vs Texas A&M	Oklahoma St (+)-WIN
Holiday Bowl	USC vs Iowa	Iowa (-)-WIN
Cheez-It Bowl	Washington St vs Air Force	Wash St (+)-LOSS
Camping World Bowl	Iowa St vs Notre Dame	Iowa St (+)-LOSS
Cotton Bowl	Memphis vs Penn St	Penn St (-)-WIN
Peach Bowl	Oklahoma vs LSU	Oklahoma (+)-LOSS
Fiesta Bowl	Clemson vs Ohio St	Ohio St (+)-LOSS
First Responder Bowl	Western Michigan vs WKU	Western Mich (+)-WIN
Redbox Bowl	Illinois vs California	California (-)-WIN
Orange Bowl	Virginia vs Florida	Florida (-)-LOSS
Music City Bowl	Mississippi St vs Louisville	Mississippi St (-)-LOSS
Sun Bowl	Florida St vs Arizona St	Florida St (+)-LOSS
Liberty Bowl	Kansas St vs Navy	Kansas St (+)-LOSS
Arizona Bowl	Georgia St vs Wyoming	Wyoming (-)-WIN
Alamo Bowl	Texas vs Utah	Texas (+)-WIN
Belk Bowl	Kentucky vs Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech (-)-LOSS
Citrus Bowl	Michigan vs Alabama	Alabama (-)-WIN
Outback Bowl	Minnesota vs Auburn	Auburn (-)-LOSS
Rose Bowl	Wisconsin vs Oregon	Oregon (+)-WIN
Sugar Bowl	Baylor vs Georgia	Baylor (+)-LOSS
Birmingham Bowl	Boston College vs Cincinnati	Cincinnati (-)-WIN
Gator Bowl	Tennessee vs Indiana	Tennessee (-)-LOSS
Potato Bowl	Ohio vs Nevada	Ohio (-)-WIN
Armed Forces Bowl	Tulane vs Southern Miss	Tulane (-)-WIN
Lending Tree Bowl	Miami, Oh vs UL-Lafayette	Miami, Oh (+)-WIN

Brad Powers Bowl Confidence Contest Picks
Currently 99% percentile out of a quarter million entries in ESPN's Bowl Mania! 20-1 on most confident picks!
(41 most confident straight up, 1 least confident)

Bowl Game	Matchup	SU Winner	Pts	W/L
Orange Bowl	Virginia vs Florida	Florida	41	W
Gasparilla Bowl	Marshall vs UCF	UCF	40	W
New Orleans Bowl	UAB vs Appalachian St	Appalachian St	39	W
Lending Tree Bowl	Miami, Oh vs UL-Lafayette	UL-Lafayette	38	W
Peach Bowl	Oklahoma vs LSU	LSU	37	W
Arizona Bowl	Georgia St vs Wyoming	Wyoming	36	W
Quick Lane Bowl	Pittsburgh vs Eastern Mich	Pittsburgh	35	W
Birmingham Bowl	Boston College vs Cincinnati	Cincinnati	34	W
Outback Bowl	Minnesota vs Auburn	Auburn	33	L
Potato Bowl	Ohio vs Nevada	Ohio	32	W
Citrus Bowl	Michigan vs Alabama	Alabama	31	W
Armed Forces Bowl	Tulane vs Southern Miss	Tulane	30	W
Cotton Bowl	Memphis vs Penn St	Penn St	29	W
Redbox Bowl	Illinois vs California	California	28	W
Bahamas Bowl	Buffalo vs Charlotte	Buffalo	27	W
Military Bowl	North Carolina vs Temple	North Carolina	26	W
Texas Bowl	Oklahoma St vs Texas A&M	Texas A&M	25	W
Sugar Bowl	Baylor vs Georgia	Georgia	24	W
New Mexico Bowl	Central Mich vs San Diego St	San Diego St	23	W
Sun Bowl	Florida St vs Arizona St	Arizona St	22	W
Las Vegas Bowl	Washington vs Boise St	Washington	21	W
Boca Raton Bowl	SMU vs Florida Atlantic	SMU	20	L
Alamo Bowl	Texas vs Utah	Utah	19	L
Frisco Bowl	Kent St vs Utah St	Utah St	18	L
Independence Bowl	Miami, FL vs Louisiana Tech	Miami, FL	17	L
Music City Bowl	Mississippi St vs Louisville	Mississippi St	16	L
Cure Bowl	Liberty vs Georgia Southern	Ga Southern	15	L
Pinstripe Bowl	Michigan St vs Wake Forest	Michigan St	14	W
Belk Bowl	Kentucky vs Virginia Tech	Virginia Tech	13	L
Camping World Bowl	Iowa St vs Notre Dame	Notre Dame	12	L
Gator Bowl	Tennessee vs Indiana	Tennessee	11	W
Fiesta Bowl	Clemson vs Ohio St	Clemson	10	W
First Responder Bowl	Western Michigan vs WKU	WKU	9	W
Rose Bowl	Wisconsin vs Oregon	Wisconsin	8	L
Holiday Bowl	USC vs Iowa	Iowa	7	W
Liberty Bowl	Kansas St vs Navy	Kansas St	6	L
Camellia Bowl	FIU vs Arkansas St	FIU	5	L
National Champ	Clemson vs LSU	Clemson	4	
Hawaii Bowl	BYU vs Hawaii	Hawaii	3	W
Celebration Bowl	NC A&T vs Alcorn St	NC A&T	2	W
Cheez-It Bowl	Washington St vs Air Force	Air Force	1	W

Tie-Breaker: Total Points in National Championship Game: 61
Note: I have changed my pick to LSU winning 35-34 straight up in the below forecast. Prior to the semi-finals, I had Clemson (see above).

CFB Playoff National Championship • Clemson vs LSU
January 13th • 8:00PM • ESPN • New Orleans, LA

Clemson (SU: 14-0, ATS: 11-3, O/U: 6-8)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L	O/U
8/29	Georgia Tech (Th)	-36'	52-14 W		o60'
9/7	Texas A&M	-16'	24-10 L		u63'
9/14	at Syracuse	-27'	41-6 W		u64'
9/21	Charlotte	-41'	52-10 W		o61'
9/28	at North Carolina	-27'	21-20 L		u60'
10/12	Florida St	-26	45-14 W		u61
10/19	at Louisville	-24'	45-10 W		u62'
10/26	Boston College	-35	59-7 W		o58'
11/2	Wofford	-48	59-14 L		o58
11/9	at NC State	-34'	55-10 W		o54
11/16	Wake Forest	-34'	52-3 W		u59
11/30	at South Carolina	-27'	38-3 W		u50'
12/7	† Virginia	-28'	62-17 W		o57
12/28	† Ohio St	-2'	29-23 W		u62'

LSU (SU: 14-0, ATS: 10-4, O/U: 9-5)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L	O/U
8/31	Georgia Southern	-27'	55-3 W		o52
9/7	at Texas	-6'	45-38 W		o57'
9/14	Northwestern St	-52	65-14 L		o68
9/21	at Vanderbilt	-24	66-38 W		o62'
10/5	Utah St	-27'	42-6 W		u73'
10/12	Florida	-13'	42-28 W		o55
10/19	at Mississippi St	-19	36-13 W		u62'
10/26	Auburn	-10'	23-20 L		u58'
11/9	at Alabama	+5'	46-41 W		o65
11/16	at Ole Miss	-21'	58-37 L		o66'
11/23	Arkansas	-42	56-20 L		o69'
11/30	Texas A&M	-17'	50-7 W		u63'
12/7	† Georgia	-7'	37-10 W		u57
12/28	† Oklahoma	-13'	63-28 W		o75'

2019 Season Stats	Clem	LSU
Offensive PPG	45.3	48.9
Defensive PPG	11.5	21.6
Rushing Off YPG	246.1	166.9
Rushing Off YPC	6.4	4.9
Passing Off YPG	292.2	397.2
Off Comp %	65.3%	76.3%
TD/Int Ratio	40/10	56/7
Total Offense	538.4	564.1
Rushing Def YPG	112.6	118.0
Rushing Def YPC	3.1	3.6
Passing Def YPG	151.5	221.9
Def Comp %	52.1%	50.8%
TD/Int Ratio	9/19	20/17
Total Defense	264.1	339.9
YPG Difference	+274.3	+224.2
Kick Returns	22.0	20.7
Punt Returns	6.0	12.3
Kick Return Def	17.6	21.9
Punt Return Def	7.3	16.7
Net Punt	40.3	38.1
FG's	13/22	21/26
Sacks vs	16	30
Sacks by	42	35
TO Margin	+16	+9

	Clem	LSU
Quarterback	-	1/2
Running Back	1/2	-
Receivers	-	✔
Offensive Line	1/2	-
Defensive Line	-	-
Linebackers	1/2	-
Defensive Backs	-	-
Special Teams	-	✔1/2
Coaching	✔	-
Turf/Crowd	-	✔✔1/2
Matchups	-	-
Intangibles	1/2	-
Schedule	-	✔1/2
Bowl History	1/2	-

LSU BY 3.5 ✔'s

NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP KEY ATS STAT
Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney is 9-2 SU and 10-1 ATS in his last 11 bowl/playoff games despite being an underdog in 9 of those games.

† **Lsu 35 Clemson 34.** We just feel this is a classic overreaction to what the public just saw last. Before the semifinals one sports book at Clemson -1, one book had LSU -1. Our power ratings had the game at "Pick" (Clemson 103.5, LSU 101) after you give LSU 2.5-points of HFA for playing in the Super Dome. We downgraded Clemson 1-point for their performance against Ohio St even though they won and covered. On the other side, we upgraded LSU 2-points for crushing Oklahoma (our pure power ratings now have LSU -3). Even going through the position-by-position breakdown on the left we can only get LSU to -3.5. Therefore we feel there is value on Clemson here. Remarkably, there's been value on them all season as Clemson is two FG's away from being 13-1 ATS! Remember, Clemson head coach Dabo Swinney in the post-season since 2012 is 9-2 SU (+12.1 ppg) and 10-1 ATS (+14.2 ppg) with Clemson being an underdog in 9 of those 11 games. While LSU QB Joe Burrow has deservedly gotten all the love from the media note that Clemson QB Trevor Lawrence has 22-0 TD-INT ratio since October 26th. The underdog has covered in 6 straight Championship games and this is the longest gap in between the semifinals and the championship game in the 6-year history of the CFB Playoff. Advantage Clemson in that they were in that war vs Ohio State.

2★ Clemson (+6) over Lsu

AFC/NFC Divisional Forecasts

Games in Rotation Order   *HOME TEAM IN CAPS*

Saturday, January 11th

NFC Divisional: Minnesota at San Francisco. 4:35pm ET on NBC
1★ Minnesota (+7). SAN FRANCISCO 26 Minnesota 21. This is the 49ers first playoff appearance since 2013. We feel San Francisco's defense is overrated. In the first 7 games of the season, the 49ers allowed just 11 ppg (No. 1) and 224 ypg (No. 1). However, in the last 9 games they have allowed 26 ppg (No. 24) and 326 ypg (No. 9). The 49ers struggled against play-action this season and the Vikings are one of best play-action teams in NFL especially with a now healthy Dalvin Cook at RB. Also Minnesota WR Adam Thielen is healthy as he had more receiving yards (129) vs the Saints than he had in the previous 5 games combined (109)! Finally, Minnesota head coach Mike Zimmer is the most underrated coach in the NFL. If you have been blindly betting on Minnesota since he started (2014) you are 60-34-6 ATS (64%) including 43-18-3 (70.5%) vs non-division opponents! The 49ers are not good front-runners as they are 9-21-2 ATS as favorite since early in the 2014 season. Finally, road underdogs are 85-61-6 ATS (58%) this season!

AFC Divisional: Tennessee at Baltimore. 8:15pm ET on CBS
1★ UNDER 47. BALTIMORE 28 Tennessee 17. Baltimore is the first team to enter the playoffs on at least a 12-game winning streak since the 2007 Patriots. They broke the record for most rush yards in a season with 3,296. The Ravens in their last 10 games (when they became healthy at CB in Jimmy Smith and picked up Marcus Peters) were 10-0 SU (+20.5 ppg) and 9-1 ATS (+15.3 ppg). On the other side, Derrick Henry was the first player to have 200+ scrimmage yards vs a Belichick team in playoffs as the Titans got the upset win. However, Tannehill only had 72 passing yards and a 39 QBR. The Titans after a 2-4 SU/ATS start with Mariots were much better with Tannehill at QB at 8-3 SU (+6.6 ppg) and 8-3 ATS (+5.8 ppg). We have two run-heavy teams here and note there is rain and wind in the weather forecast.

Sunday, January 12th

AFC Divisional: Houston at Kansas City. 3:05pm ET on CBS
1★ Kansas City (-9.5). KANSAS CITY 31 Houston 20. Kansas City head coach Andy Reid off a bye in his career is 23-5 SU and 19-9 ATS exceeding expectations by 5.5 ppg! Houston did win at Kansas City back in Week 6 31-24 as 4-point underdogs. However, KC is a much different team since that one. First, QB Patrick Mahomes wasn't 100% for that game . Second, Kansas City's defense has made major improvements. In the first 10 games of the season the KC D allowed 23.9 ppg (No. 19) and 369.5 ypg (No. 23). However, in the last 6 games they have allowed just 11.5 ppg (No. 1) and 316.5 ypg (No. 7). We feel this KC team is better than the one that was one play away from the Super Bowl last year. Also in the advanced analytics, there is a huge disparity here as Football Outsiders' DVOA has KC as the No. 2 team in the NFL while Houston is No. 19. One of the keys in having success vs Houston is getting after QB Watson who was sacked 7 times last week. Note that KC is Top 10 in adjusted sack rate. Houston is No. 26 in pass defense and is now taking on a healthy Mahomes. Houston head coach Bill O'Brien is 0-9 SU (-19 ppg) and 2-7 ATS (-8.3 ppg) when catching 7 or more points since 2016.

NFC Divisional: Seattle at Green Bay. 6:40pm ET on FOX
1★ UNDER 47. GREEN BAY 24 Seattle 21. In head-to-head meetings between Aaron Rodgers and Russell Wilson, the home team is 7-0 SU and 6-1 ATS (+8.6 ppg). Something has to give here as the Seahawks were 8-1 SU on the road this season while Green Bay was 7-1 SU at home. Generally, speaking we feel both of these teams are overrated. Seattle is 11-2 in one-score games including the playoffs this season. The Seahawks have tied the 2015 Broncos for the most one-score wins in a single season including playoffs all-time! Seattle was just +1 ppg and -1 ypg this season despite having 12 wins. Meanwhile, Green Bay despite notching 13 wins and the No. 2 seed was just Green Bay +4 ppg and -7 ypg this season. The early weather forecast has temps in the mid-20s. We'll take the UNDER which was 7-1 in Green Bay's last 8 games.

We Want to Hear From You!

With the 2019 season coming to a close, we would like to know what you think of Powers' Picks. As a subscriber, we value your opinion and we want to only improve our newsletter and our services going forward. If there is something you would like to see next year, please let us know. As our thanks, you can use this questionnaire as a coupon for a discount on a 2020 subscription to Powers' Picks or VIP service. Simply check the box at the bottom of the page of what discount you would like.

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Bad Beats	☐	☐	☐	☐
Major Injuries	☐	☐	☐	☐
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