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CFB Best Bets Go 4-0-1 in Week 3, Now 55% All-Time!!!
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Week 3 News and Notes!

For those of you that are new, in this section we'll recap what happened last week specifically, the misleading finals, the key injuries, the bad beats and the line moves. We'll include most of these recaps here, therefore you don't have to waste time reading about them in my game-by-game write-ups for the upcoming week. Without further adieu, here's a run down of what happened last week in the world of CFB.

	Week 3 Trends
	Favorites-Dogs
Straight Up	56-12
ATS	39-28-1
	Home-Away
Straight Up	44-24
ATS	32-35-1
	Totals (O/U)
Over-Under	32-36
	Year-To-Date
	Favorites-Dogs
Straight Up	203-28
ATS	116-109-6
	Home-Away
Straight Up	172-55
ATS	106-115-6
	Totals (O/U)
Over-Under	109-121-3



Last Saturday, The Citadel who were 27.5-point underdogs shocked Georgia Tech 27-24 in OT. It was the biggest upset in college football in nearly a full calendar year!

Largest Favorites to Cover:

UL-Lafayette (-47) vs. Texas Southern, 77-6
 Texas A&M (-45.5) vs. Lamar, 62-3
 Miami-Florida (-41) vs. Bethune-Cookman, 63-0
 Missouri (-35) vs. SE Missouri State, 50-0
 Notre Dame (-34.5) vs. New Mexico, 66-14
 Georgia (-33) vs. Arkansas State, 55-0

Biggest Money line Upsets:

The Citadel +1500 won 27-24 in OT at Georgia Tech (+27.5)
 Kansas +800 won 48-24 at Boston College (+20.5)
 Arizona St +550 won 10-7 at Michigan St (+15.5)
 Eastern Michigan +230 won 34-31 at Illinois (+7.5)
 Kansas St +220 won 31-24 at Mississippi St (+7)
 West Virginia +220 won 44-27 vs NC State (+7)

ATS Notables

Auburn, UCF, Kansas St, Kentucky, UL-Lafayette, Louisville, Oklahoma St, SMU and Texas A&M are all 3-0 ATS this season. Kansas State has covered their 3 games by the biggest margin at 53.5 combined points while UCF is next at a 47 points.

Virginia Tech, UCLA, Texas St, Miami (OH), Massachusetts, Georgia Tech, FIU and Akron are all 3-0 ATS. The Hokies are worst when it comes to failing to meet expectations as they are a combined -45 ATS points while UMass (-44.5) and Akron (-42.5) are next.

Kentucky, SMU, Central Michigan, Charlotte, Texas, Boston College, Middle Tennessee, Mississippi St and Florida St are all 3-0 to the OVER.

UCLA, Liberty, California, Bowling Green, Arizona St, Texas Tech, Tulsa, San Diego St, Pittsburgh, Houston and Cincinnati are all 3-0 to the UNDER.

Misleading Finals

Minnesota (-16.5) only beat Georgia Southern 35-32. However, Minnesota had 22-12 first down and 382-198 yard edges. Georgia Southern got a 77-yard return TD of a blocked FG with 6:05 left (Minnny leading 28-20) and then the Eagles got a 44-yard fumble return TD with 3:47 left.

Arkansas' 55-34 win over Colorado St was a misleading final score as the game was tied 34-34 with about 10 minutes left in the game.

California (-14) beat North Texas 23-17 but North Texas had a 329-278 yard edge. The Mean Green were -2 in TO's. Cal led 20-0 after the first quarter and then couldn't manage much after that.

USF (-27) crushed South Carolina St 55-16. However, USF only had a 459-378 yard edge but were incredibly +8 in TO's! The Bulls scored 6 TD's off those 8 TO's!

Bad Beats

If you had **UNDER 57** in the **Texas/Rice** game, you saw Rice score a TD with only 1:07 left to play (also gave Rice the back-door cover). Then Texas proceeded to return the ensuing kickoff 98 yards for a TD (gave Texas backers the front-door) but also sank UNDER bettors in the 48-13 Texas win.

A lot of money came in on the UNDER in the Florida/Kentucky game (our top totals' play on these pages). Anyone who bet it during the week (regardless of whether it was 50.5 or the 46 closing line) was feeling comfortable...that was until Florida got a 76-yard TD run with just :33 left that put the game OVER for most. All Florida needed was a first down and they could've run out the clock.

Major Injuries

Army QB Kelvin Hopkins (leg) is questionable vs Morgan St.
 Colorado St QB Collin Hill (knee) has been downgraded to OUT vs Toledo.
 Connecticut QB Mike Beaudry (shoulder) is questionable vs Indiana.
 Florida QB Feleipe Franks (knee) is out for the season.
 FIU QB James Morgan (ankle) is questionable vs Louisiana Tech.
 Indiana QB Michael Penix (shoulder) is questionable vs Connecticut.
 Louisville QB Jawon Pass (foot) is questionable vs Florida St.
 Mississippi St QB Tommy Stevens (shoulder) is questionable vs Kentucky.
 Rice QB Wiley Green (head) is questionable vs Baylor.
 Rutgers QB McLane Carter (concussion) is questionable vs Boston College.
 Texas Tech QB Alan Bowman (shoulder) is out indefinitely.
 Troy RB B.J. Smith (knee) is out for the season.
 Western Kentucky QB Steven Duncan (foot) is out indefinitely.

Recapping Week One Best Bets

Finally, we had a solid week in college football going 4-0-1. However, the top play Virginia (-7) over Florida State was a fortunate push as the Cavaliers scored 21 fourth quarter points to win 31-24. Our 2★ on Air Force (+4.5) was an outright winner in OT while 2★'s Oklahoma State and Washington cashed as big favorites. While we gave out Florida/Kentucky UNDER 50.5 on Wednesday and it stayed there for about a day, we understand that most of you, who waited until game day to bet lost on that selection because of the big line move. The NFL was another story as all 3 of our best bets lost and none of them were close (contrary to a 3-0 Week 1 start with 3 comfortable winners). The Steelers (our top play) lost outright to the Seahawks thanks to an injury to QB Ben Roethlisberger and we simply over-thought matters giving out big dogs in Oakland and Miami which failed miserably. VIP customers (counting our top leans) went 15-8-1 over the weekend.

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					NFL					College/NFL Combined				
Newsletter	W	L	T	% Net	Newsletter	W	L	T	% Net	Newsletter	W	L	T	% Net
Gold Sheet	8	4	0	66.67%	4	2	0	0	100.00%	2	9	5	0	64.29%
Playbook	5	3	1	62.50%	2	2	0	0	100.00%	11	7	0	0	61.11%
Powers' Picks	8	5	1	61.54%	3	4	1	0	80.00%	11	8	1	0	57.89%
Sports Reporter	5	4	0	55.56%	1	4	2	0	66.67%	12	11	1	0	52.17%
Power Sweep	6	6	0	50.00%	0	4	3	1	57.14%	7	7	1	0	50.00%
Pointwise	8	9	1	47.06%	-1	3	3	0	50.00%	8	8	0	0	50.00%
Winning Points	8	10	0	44.44%	-2	2	2	0	50.00%	12	13	1	0	48.00%
Night Owl	4	7	0	36.36%	-3	3	3	0	50.00%	6	7	0	0	46.15%
Power Plays	1	4	0	20.00%	-3	2	4	0	33.33%	3	4	0	0	42.86%
Combined	53	52	3	50.48%	1	26	18	1	59.09%	79	70	4	0	53.02%

CFB and NFL Schedules with Vegas and Brad Powers Lines Week 4 September 19th-23rd

NFL/CFB Thursday, Sept 19th		Line	BP	All Times Eastern	Saturday, September 21st		Line	BP	All Times Eastern
301 TENNESSEE	NFL Network	-1.5	-2		367 AUBURN	CBS	48	44	
302 JACKSONVILLE		39	40		368 TEXAS A&M		-3.5	-4	
303 HOUSTON	ESPN	56	59		369 WYOMING	CBS College	44.5	47	
304 TULANE		-5.5	-3		370 TULSA		-3	-7	
Friday, September 20th					Friday, September 20th				
305 UTAH	FOX Sports 1	-3.5	-5		371 SOUTH CAROLINA	SEC Network	63.5	58	
306 USC		51	51		372 MISSOURI		-9.5	-10	
307 FIU	CBS College	51.5	49		373 WEST VIRGINIA		-4.5	-7	
308 LOUISIANA TECH		-8	-7		374 KANSAS		51	53	
309 AIR FORCE	ESPN2	55	52		375 OKLAHOMA ST	ABC	73	69	
310 BOISE ST		-8	-10		376 TEXAS		-5.5	-7	
Saturday, September 21st					Saturday, September 21st				
311 UL-MONROE	FOX Sports 1	55.5	56		377 BOWLING GREEN		59.5	58	
312 IOWA ST		-18.5	-18		378 KENT ST		-10.5	-10	
313 MIAMI, OH	Big Ten	58	58		379 SMU	FOX Sports 1	55.5	55	
314 OHIO ST		-39	-38		380 TCU		-9.5	-13	
315 CHARLOTTE	ACC Network	62	63		381 SAN JOSE ST	SEC Network	61	60	
316 CLEMSON		-41	-39		382 ARKANSAS		-21	-20	
317 CONNECTICUT	Big Ten	58	55		383 SOUTH ALABAMA	NFL Network	50	53	
318 INDIANA		-27	-27		384 UAB		-10	-13	
319 CENTRAL FLORIDA	ABC	-12	-9		385 OREGON	ESPN	-10.5	-9	
320 PITTSBURGH		58.5	57		386 STANFORD		58.5	57	
321 UL-LAFAYETTE		66	65		387 BAYLOR	CBS College	-26.5	-26	
322 OHIO		-3.5	-3		388 RICE		58	58	
323 NEBRASKA	Big Ten	-13	-14		389 UTSA	ACC Network	58	57	
324 ILLINOIS		64	62		390 NORTH TEXAS		-19	-19	
325 TEMPLE	ESPNU	-14	-11		391 NOTRE DAME	CBS	57	58	
326 BUFFALO		53	51		392 GEORGIA		-14	-18	
327 CENTRAL MICHIGAN	ACC Network	51	53		393 LOUISVILLE	ESPN	61	57	
328 MIAMI, FL		-30.5	-33		394 FLORIDA ST		-6.5	-9	
329 OLD DOMINION	ESPN2	45.5	52		395 NEVADA		-14.5	-15	
330 VIRGINIA		-29	-24		396 UTEP		54	55	
331 COASTAL CAROLINA		-17	-14		397 UCLA	ESPN	57	57	
332 MASSACHUSETTS		62.5	60		398 WASHINGTON ST		-18.5	-19	
333 MICHIGAN ST	ABC	-9.5	-6		399 UTAH ST	CBS College	-4	53	
334 NORTHWESTERN		39	40		400 SAN DIEGO ST		52.5	-1	
335 TROY		-17	-14		NFL Wk 3 Sunday, Sept 22nd				
336 AKRON		55.5	54		461 DENVER	FOX	42.5	42	
337 BOSTON COLLEGE	Big Ten	-7	-9		462 GREEN BAY		-7.5	-6	
338 RUTGERS		57.5	55		463 DETROIT	FOX	46.5	47	
339 WESTERN MICHIGAN	ACC Network	65.5	62		464 PHILADELPHIA		-6.5	-7	
340 SYRACUSE		-6	-8		465 BALTIMORE	CBS	54.5	54	
341 BALL ST	ESPNU	58	56		466 KANSAS CITY		-6.5	-6	
342 NC STATE		-19	-20		467 CINCINNATI	CBS	44	44	
343 MICHIGAN	FOX	43	44		468 BUFFALO		-6	-4	
344 WISCONSIN		-3.5	-2		469 ATLANTA	CBS	47	47	
345 TOLEDO	ESPN2	-9.5	-7		470 INDIANAPOLIS		-2	-1	
346 COLORADO ST		67	63		471 OAKLAND	FOX	43.5	43	
347 NEW MEXICO ST		68.5	66		472 MINNESOTA		-8.5	-11	
348 NEW MEXICO		-4.5	-4		473 N.Y. JETS	CBS	43.5	41	
349 WASHINGTON	ESPN2	-6.5	-10		474 NEW ENGLAND		-23	-21	
350 BYU		50	52		475 MIAMI	FOX	47.5	41	
351 COLORADO	Pac-12	49.5	48		476 DALLAS		-21	-21	
352 ARIZONA ST		-7.5	-8		477 N.Y. GIANTS	FOX	47.5	46	
353 CALIFORNIA	ESPNU	41.5	41		478 TAMPA BAY		-6.5	-6	
354 OLE MISS		-2	-1		479 CAROLINA	FOX	N/A	41	
355 TENNESSEE	ESPN	49	47		480 ARIZONA		N/A	-1	
356 FLORIDA		-14	-13		481 NEW ORLEANS	CBS	45	45	
357 GEORGIA ST		64.5	61		482 SEATTLE		-4	-7	
358 TEXAS ST		-3	-1		483 HOUSTON	CBS	47.5	-1	
359 SOUTHERN MISS	ESPN2	61.5	63		484 L.A. CHARGERS		-3	47	
360 ALABAMA		-39	-35		485 PITTSBURGH	CBS	44	43	
361 KENTUCKY	SEC Network	48.5	53		486 SAN FRANCISCO		-6.5	-5	
362 MISSISSIPPI ST		-6	-7		487 L.A. RAMS	NBC	-3	-7	
363 LSU	SEC Network	-23.5	-21		488 CLEVELAND		49.5	53	
364 VANDERBILT		62	61		NFL Wk 3 Monday, Sept 23rd				
365 APPALACHIAN ST		58	57		489 CHICAGO	ESPN	-4	-4	
366 NORTH CAROLINA		-3	-3		490 WASHINGTON		41.5	38	

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4★ = BEST
3★ = BETTER
2★ = GOOD
1★ = FAIR

THE POWERS' PACK
3★ Washington (-6) over BYU
2★ Old Dominion (+29.5) over VIRGINIA
2★ Southern Miss (+39) over ALABAMA
2★ TULSA (-3) over Wyoming
2★ GEORGIA (-14) over Notre Dame

Games in Rotation Order
Thursday, September 19th

HOME TEAM IN CAPS

TULANE 31 Houston 28. While they have to travel, Houston does have one extra day of rest having played last Friday. In last week's 31-24 loss to Washington St. Washington St had a 489-367 yard edge and rallied from a 14-7 halftime deficit. On the other side, Tulane crushed Missouri St 58-6. Tulane had 26-11 first down and 540-182 yard edges including 298-54 on the ground. All the early money has come in on Tulane here, but this is the first time they've been favored in the series since 2003 (avg dog of +16 in previous 14 meetings) and we lean with Houston here.

Friday, September 20th

Utah 28 USC 23. Utah's been a mad match-up vs USC as the Utes are on a 7-2-1 ATS run in the series. Both teams are on a short week but Utah is off a blowout win over FCS Idaho St while USC is off an OT game at BYU. USC QB Kedon Slovis looked like a true frosh last week at BYU with 3 INT's and now faces an even more talented defense. Note that USC head coach Clay Helton is just 1-12 SU/2-11 ATS as an underdog failing to cover by 9.7 ppg.

LOUISIANA TECH 28 FIU 21. Last week FIU had a 437-370 yard edge including 310-146 on the ground in their 30-17 win over FCS New Hampshire. FIU actually trailed 17-13 mid-3Q and got a punt return TD late. FIU QB Kaylan Wiggins (playing for James Morgan who is ? here) was 12 of 18 for 127 yards but added 187 yards rushing and 2 TD's. On the other side, La Tech crushed Bowling Green 35-7 as LT had a 453-290 yard edge. LT did get a "Pick 6" while BG was stopped on downs 3 times and missed a FG. Slightest of leans on the dog here.

BOISE ST 31 Air Force 21. Boise St comes in off a 45-10 win over FCS Portland St as Boise had 22-12 first down and 491-244 yard edges. Meanwhile, we cashed on these pages with Air Force last week in their outright upset over Colorado. Air Force controlled matters more than the final would indicate as they had 444-325 yard edges including 289-105 on the ground. The Falcons won despite being -2 in TO's and Air Force trailed 10-0 early but then scored 20 straight points to lead by 10 at the break. Our power ratings like Boise here but note that Boise St is on a 6-17-1 ATS as a home favorite while Air Force is 15-5-2 ATS as a dog since late 2014.

Saturday, September 21st

IOWA ST 37 UL-Monroe 19. Last week, Iowa St had a 418-313 yard edge but were -2 in TO's in a 18-17 loss to Iowa. The game was twice delayed nearly 3 hours because of lightning. Meanwhile, ULM also lost by a point in their last game, as they nearly shocked Florida St as 3-TD underdogs. While our power ratings like Iowa St here, this isn't a great spot for them coming off the emotional 1-point loss to rival Iowa while UL-Monroe comes in off a bye. Pass.

OHIO ST 48 Miami, Oh 10. Miami, Oh comes in off a 35-13 loss to Cincinnati, a team Ohio St just beat 42-0 the week prior. Cincinnati had 23-14 first down and 420-207 yard edges including 234-64 on the ground. Miami, Oh actually led the game 10-0 after the first quarter but Cincy dominated from that point forward. On the other side, Ohio St won their 3rd straight game in blowout fashion (51-10 at Indiana) as Ohio St had 30-15 first down and 520-257 yard edges including 306-42 on the ground. J.K. Dobbins ran for 193 yards and Justin Fields has completed 70% of his passes this year with a 9-to-0 TD-to-INT ratio. Miami coach Chuck Martin on facing Ohio State: "It's kind of like going to recess and they have the first 85 picks."

CLEMSON 51 Charlotte 12. Charlotte looks like a much improved team in year one under head coach Will Healy. Last week, Charlotte had 22-15 first down and 533-262 yard edges including 338-135 on the ground in a blowout win over Massachusetts. Meanwhile, Clemson dominated Syracuse with 24-11 first down and 612-187 yard edges including 221-15 on the ground. QB Trevor Lawrence was 22 of 39 for 395 yards and 3 TD's but threw 2 more INT's (only a 5-5 TD-to-INT ratio this year, after having a 30-4 ratio last year). In his press conference this week Dabo Swinney, certainly talked up Charlotte: "This is the best rushing team we've seen in three games... This is the most explosive team we have played to this point... This is a team that could embarrass us." They certainly won't embarrass Clemson but the 49ers are capable of getting the cover.

INDIANA 41 Connecticut 14. Connecticut comes in off a bye while Indiana was thumped by Ohio State last week. Indiana QB Peyton Ramsey replaced the injured Michael Penix Jr. (? here) as the starting quarterback and about the only thing that went right was a trick play in where an Indiana WR threw a TD pass. "Rough day for the Hoosiers. Very disappointed with how we performed," Indiana coach Tom Allen said. "But I stand before you, take responsibility for how our team takes the field and plays each and every week, and it wasn't good enough." UConn played well vs another Big Ten team in Illinois and are improved but we think the Hoosiers get a feel good win here.

Ucf 33 PITTSBURGH 24. Pitt hasn't left the state of Pennsylvania yet but are they still reeling though after the close loss to Penn St last week? Pitt QB Kenny Pickett is throwing the ball a ton this year with back-to-back 300-yard games and remember last year, he didn't top 200 yards passing in 13 of 14 games! This is a Pitt defense that is much stouter than what UCF faced vs Stanford last week. Keep in mind, UCF has scored at least 30 points in 29 straight games, longest streak in AP Poll era (since 1936). This spread looks a little inflated especially after UCF's blowout win over Stanford. We lean Pitt.

OHIO 34 UL-Lafayette 31. ULL is perfect 3-0 ATS on the season covering their games by a combined 40 points. Last week they crushed FCS Texas Southern 77-6 as ULL had 34-15 first down and 748-236 yard edges including 440-72 on the ground. ULL led 56-6 at halftime and put it on cruise control in second half. On the

other side, Ohio came up 2 points short vs Marshall as the Thundering Herd had 24-17 first down and 511-438 yard edges including 305-223 on the ground. Ohio QB Nathan Rourke was 15 of 25 for 215 yards and 3 TD's while also adding 118 rushing yards and a TD. We look for this game to go down to the wire.

Nebraska 38 ILLINOIS 24. Last week Nebraska rebounded from the poor second half vs Colorado as the Huskers had a 525-350 yard edge including 238-74 on the ground vs Northern Illinois. The Huskers posted their largest margin of victory over an FBS opponent since a 39-point win over South Alabama in 2015. However, Nebraska's kicking game woes continue as they had two FG's and an extra point blocked. On the other side, Illinois fell at home to Eastern Michigan. The stats were even as EMU had a 480-464 yard edge. EMU led 31-17 in the 4Q before Illinois tied it on back-to-back long TD drives. EMU then would go 68 yards in 8 plays getting a 24-yard FG on the final play for the win. The early money has come in on Nebraska here but we don't see too much value now.

Temple 31 BUFFALO 20. Temple comes in off the big win over Maryland last week. Temple had a 427-340 yard edge and pulled the outright upset despite being -2 in TO's. Maryland was stopped on downs on two different possessions inside the Temple 10-yard line with under 5:00 minutes left. Meanwhile, Buffalo lost at Liberty 35-17 as a 6-point favorite. Buffalo had a 26-22 first down edge but Liberty had a 401-373 total yard edge. The Bulls did out-rush Liberty 206-76 but were stopped on downs twice and missed two FG's. We think this line looks inflated.

MIAMI, FL 43 Central Michigan 10. Last week, Central Michigan crushed Akron 45-24. CMU had a 533-324 yard edge, led 27-3 late 2Q and never looked back. QB David Moore was 20 of 31 for 316 yards and 2 TD's while RB Kobe Lewis ran for 146 yards and 3 TD's. Both players are back-ups filling in for injured starters. Meanwhile, Miami had a 25-4 first down and 590-137 yard edge including 257-61 on the ground in their 63-0 win over Bethune-Cookman. Miami QB Jarren Williams was 19 of 24 for 254 yards and 3 TD's. We lean with the favorite and the OVER.

2★ Old Dominion (plus the points) VIRGINIA 38 Old Dominion 14. Last week, we pushed our top play on these pages on UVA -7 over Florida St. Virginia had 27-21 first down and 415-329 yard edges but were -2 in TO's and UVA actually trailed 17-10 entering the 4Q. The situation says to play Old Dominion here who comes in off a bye after giving a scare to Virginia Tech a couple weeks ago in a 14-point loss. Meanwhile, Virginia comes in off that emotional win vs Florida State and the Cavaliers have a huge trip to Notre Dame on deck. We like the dog.

Verizon 9:00 AM 100%

← Pending Bets Pending Bet

STRAIGHT BET
 Risk: \$550.00 To Win: \$500.00

9:21 NCAA FOOTBALL
 GROUP OF 5
 [329] OLD DOMINION +29½/-110
 Result: Undecided

NOTE: Bet and selection statuses shown reflect current status, which is not necessarily the same as the status at the time of the transaction.

Coastal Carolina 37 MASSACHUSETTS 23. Coastal comes in at 2-1 after a blowout win over FCS Norfolk St. Coastal had 30-5 first down and 521-117 yard edges including 401-42 on the ground. Now they take on a reeling UMass team off 3 straight blowout losses. Last week the Minutemen lost 52-17 at Charlotte as the 49ers had 22-15 first down and 533-262 yard edges including 338-135 on the ground. We've never had an FBS team power-rated lower than UMass right now (last 5 years) but this is a huge point spread to lay on the road for Coastal.

Michigan St 23 NORTHWESTERN 17. The Spartans come in off the crushing loss to Arizona St last week. Michigan St had 23-14 first down and 404-216 yard edge but were -1 in TO's, missed 3 FG's and were stopped on downs on 4&1 at Arizona St's 34-yard line. The Spartans had a tying field goal negated for having too many men on the field. On the other side, Northwestern had 26-17 first down and 441-330 yard edges but were also +2 in TO's in their 30-14 win over UNLV. Northwestern only led 16-14 at halftime lead and scored a TD with 1:30 left. Northwestern backup RB Drake Johnson ran for 141 yards and a TD. Keep in mind, teams that are laying a TD or more with a total of 43 or less are 172-230-13 ATS all-time (42.8%). Plus Michigan St is 3-9 ATS as a road favorite recently while Northwestern is 18-9 ATS as an underdog. We like the home dog.

Troy 34 AKRON 20. Last week VIP members cashed outright fading Troy in their 47-42 loss to Southern Miss. The two teams combined for 1,154 total yards including 1,018 yards passing and 42 4Q points. Troy QB Kaleb Barker was 29 of 43 for 504 yards and 4 TD's as 4 different Troy WR's had 100 yards receiving. Meanwhile, Akron lost by 21 at a Central Michigan team that was playing a backup QB and RB. We thought we'd really like Akron here but note the Zips are 7-24-1 ATS as a home dog while Troy is 17-5-2 ATS on the road. After that, we're just leaning with Akron.

Boston College 32 RUTGERS 23. Boston College should come in plenty fired up after the shocking loss to Kansas last week. Kansas had a 567-447 yard edge including 329-228 on the ground. BC led 24-21 late 2Q but the Jayhawks scored the game's final 27 points. Kansas had five scoring drives of 78 yards or more, finding big holes through BC's defense on numerous plays. Meanwhile, Rutgers comes in off a bye after a 30-0 loss to Iowa. Slight lean on the favorite.

SYRACUSE 35 Western Michigan 27. Last week, Western Michigan had 25-13 first down and 694-336 yard edges including 450-210 on the ground in their 57-10 win over Georgia St. The Broncos were +3 in TO's. On the other side, The Carrier Dome was sold out for the first time in 21 years for Syracuse's big game vs Clemson. However, the crowd of 50,248, the third-largest since the building opened in 1980, wasn't much of a factor as Clemson dominated with 24-11 first down and 612-187 yard edges including 221-15 on the ground. After back-to-back blowout losses, we like the favorite here to get a bounce back win.

NC STATE 38 Ball St 18. Ball St comes in off a home loss to FAU 41-31. FAU only had a 498-471 yard edge but were +2 in TO's. Ball St QB Drew Plitt was 26 of 38 for 303 yards and 3 TD's. Meanwhile, NC State should be looking to atone for an upset loss at West Virginia. West Virginia had a 445-369 yard edge but the game was tied at 21-21 at halftime (Wolf Pack ended up losing by 17). Our power ratings say this line is right on the money. Pass.

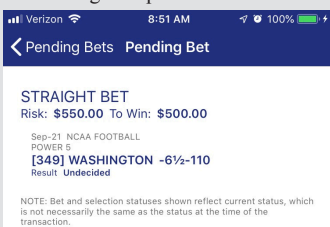
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WISCONSIN 23 Michigan 21. Both teams come in off a bye and we feel there might be slight value on Michigan here. For two weeks, Wisconsin has been getting talked up in the market place after outscoring its first two opponents 110-0. Meanwhile, Michigan struggled vs both Middle Tennessee and Army and there's questions again about Jim Harbaugh. Note that Michigan was a TD-favorite in this game in the summer "Game of Year" betting markets. The Wolverines are in the rare underdog role this week. However, under Harbaugh, the Wolverines are 0-6 SU/2-4 ATS as dogs failing to cover by 8.3 ppg. Michigan needs to protect the ball (5 fumbles this season, only 3 all of last year) and if they do so, they cover here.

Toledo 35 COLORADO ST 28. Toledo comes in off a 45-0 win over Murray St. Toledo had a 538-331 yard edge. However, Murray St missed two FG's, were -2 in TO's and were stopped on downs 3 times in Toledo territory. Meanwhile, Colorado St lost by 21 at Arkansas but note the game was tied 34-34 with about 10 minutes left in the game. Colorado St back-up quarterback Patrick O'Brien entered for starter Collin Hill during the Rams' first drive of the second half when it appeared Hill, tweaked his leg. "Losing Collin Hill was a big blow," Colorado State coach Mike Bobo said. "After he went out, we couldn't really function as an offense and we've got to fix that." Hill will be out here but we think the market adjusted too much.

NEW MEXICO 35 New Mexico St 31. New Mexico St comes in off 3 straight blowout losses but the Aggies were -3 in TO's vs San Diego St last week. Meanwhile, New Mexico also had TO issues in their blowout loss at Notre Dame last week. The Irish were +4 in TO's and converted them into 28 points. The Lobos were without head coach Bob Davie. Saga Tuitele acted as head coach for Davie, who was hospitalized following New Mexico's opening victory Aug. 31 against Sam Houston State and did not make the trip. He won't be back here either. We don't see too much value here.

3★ Washington 31 BYU 21. We don't think this is a good spot for BYU off back-to-back OT upset wins. Remember, they had a 0.1% chance to beat Tennessee in the final 30 seconds of that game (got a long pass to set up a game-tying FG) and then last week the Cougars were +3 in TO's vs USC. Last week BYU played a true frosh QB making his first road start with a coach on the hot seat. Now they face a talented vet in QB Jacob Eason (7-to-1 TD-to-INT ratio) and one of the best coaches in the country. BYU does well against the teams that aren't buttoned up coaching wise (i.e. USC/Tennessee), however against teams that play good defense, have solid special teams, are better coached and have better athletes (i.e. Utah), the Cougars don't fare so well. That was also the case vs Washington last year in a 35-7 loss.



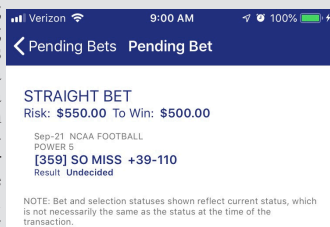
ARIZONA ST 28 Colorado 20. Last week we cashed on these pages fading Colorado. Air Force controlled matters more than the final would indicate as they had 444-325 yard edges including 289-105 on the ground. Colorado had another 4Q comeback as they scored 13 points in the final 6:09 to force OT. On the other side, Arizona St QB Jayden Daniels only threw for 140 yards but had ZERO TO's and made the play of the game with a scramble for a first down on 4&13 on ASU's lone TD drive (late 4Q). Our power ratings are strong on Arizona State here but we don't see that much value.

OLE MISS 21 California 20. This is a 9am PT start time for Cal. Last week California (-14) beat North Texas 23-17 but North Texas had a 329-278 yard edge. The Mean Green were -2 in TO's. Cal led 20-0 after the first quarter and then couldn't manage much after that. Meanwhile, Ole Miss also struggled last week. The Rebels had a 459-375 yard edge including 220-66 on the ground but were +2 in TO's in their 40-29 win over SE Louisiana. Ole Miss also got a 94-yard kickoff return TD and only led 34-29 entering the 4Q. We don't see much value here.

FLORIDA 30 Tennessee 17. Florida QB Feleipe Franks is done for the year after injuring his leg vs Kentucky last week. Kyle Trask (6-5 235) is about a 3-point downgrade, but he did lead the comeback vs Kentucky (UF outscored the Wildcats 19-0 in the fourth quarter). Meanwhile, Tennessee got a 45-point win over Chattanooga last week but were +5 in TO's. Florida played inspired without Franks last week, does it carry over here?

TEXAS ST 31 Georgia St 30. Georgia St took a lot of money in the market place last week at Western Michigan but the Panthers were crushed 57-10. Western Michigan had 25-13 first down and 694-336 yard edges including 450-210 on the ground. Meanwhile, Texas St is 0-3 this season but they've played a tough schedule. Last week, they lost by 30 to SMU as the Mustangs had 23-15 first down and 639-241 yard edges including 390-16 on the ground. The game was only 13-3 at halftime with a SMU TD with :38 left putting the game OVER the total. We have the slightest of leans on the road dog here.

2★ Southern Miss (plus the points) ALABAMA 49 Southern Miss 14. Southern Miss comes in off an upset win at Troy last week. The two teams combined for 1,154 total yards including 1,018 yards passing and 42 4Q points. Southern Miss WR Quez Watkins had 209 yards receiving while Jaylond Adams had 180 receiving yards and also returned a kickoff 100 yards for a TD. On the other side, South Carolina had a 31-25 first down edge but Alabama had a 571-459 yard edge in the Crimson Tide's 47-23 win. The Gamecocks got a 11-yard TD pass with :11 left for the back-door cover. Note they were covering the whole game until Bama scored a TD with 2:04 left. Remember Alabama is just 6-17 ATS laying 35 or more points since late 2011. We like the dog who has plenty of back-door potential here especially with a sleepy 11:00am local kick.



MISSISSIPPI ST 30 Kentucky 23. Last week, Kentucky suffered another heart-breaking loss to the Gators. Florida had a 438-407 yard edge but were also +2 in TO's and out-scored Kentucky 19-0 in the 4Q. Kentucky QB Sawyer Smith was 23 of 35 for 267 yards and 2 TD's but also threw 3 INT's. On the other side, Mississippi St fell to Kansas St 31-24. Miss St actually had 21-17 first down and 352-269 yard edges including 201-146 on the ground. Miss St led 24-17 but Kansas St got a 100-yard kickoff return TD to regain momentum. MSU head coach Joe Moorhead benched senior transfer quarterback Tommy Stevens in the third quarter after his second interception and turned the Bulldog offense over to freshman Garrett Shrader (Stevens? here). We lean OVER here.

Lsu 41 VANDERBILT 20. LSU comes in off a 65-14 win over Northwestern St. LSU had a 610-278 yard edge but only led 24-14 at halftime. LSU QB Joe Burrow was 21 of 24 for 373 yards and 2 TD's (1 INT) and Burrow is now 75 of 90 (83.3 percent) passing for 1,122 yards and 11 touchdowns this season. Meanwhile, Vanderbilt comes in off a bye after an 0-2 start. This line feels a little steep especially considering Georgia was laying 21 here a few weeks ago. Lean on the dog.

NORTH CAROLINA 30 Appalachian St 27. This line is telling you this isn't a great spot for North Carolina. The Tar Heels come in off 3 straight close games that went down to the final possession. Last week, they fell at Wake Forest as the Demon Deacons led 21-0 late 3Q until North Carolina rallied to cut it to 21-18. Meanwhile, "Little Brother" Appalachian St comes in fresh off a bye. This is probably a game where the line would've seen North Carolina -4.5 to -6 around 15-20 years ago but now the market is much sharper. Pass.

TEXAS A&M 24 Auburn 20. This will be the first true road start for Auburn true frosh QB Bo Nix. However, it's a revenge spot for A&M who blew a late 10-point lead at Auburn last year (Aggies -3 in TO's). Both teams have had fortunate covers in their biggest games (Auburn vs Oregon, Texas A&M at Clemson). Last week, both teams had easy wins over inferior opponents. Auburn beat Kent St 55-16 as the Tigers had 32-19 first down and 633-321 yard edges including 467-92 on the ground. It was the first time Auburn had three 100-yard rushers in a game since 1983. Meanwhile, Texas A&M had 35-9 first down and 633-197 yard edges in a 62-3 win over Lamar. Slightest of leans on the home team.

2★ TULSA 27 Wyoming 20. Even though we cashed a 2★ on these pages going against them, we liked what we saw from Tulsa last week as Oklahoma St had to outscore the Golden Hurricane 20-0 in the second half to get the cover. Meanwhile, Wyoming is 3-0, but the Cowboys have been out-gained in every game this season. Last week, huge underdog Idaho (+27.5) had a 303-287 yard edge and Wyoming only managed a 5-point win. That's coming off the heels of two wins vs Missouri and Texas St where the Cowboys were out-gained by 148 yards and 151 yards but managed wins and covers. We like the favorite here.



MISSOURI 34 South Carolina 24. Last week South Carolina had a 31-25 first down edge but Alabama had a 571-459 yard edge in the Crimson Tide's 47-23 win. The Gamecocks got a 11-yard TD pass with :11 left for the back-door cover. However, the Gamecocks were covering the whole game until Bama scored a TD with 2:04 left. South Carolina QB Ryan Hilinski was 36 of 57 for 324 yards and 2 TD's (1 INT). On the other side, Missouri crushed SE Missouri St 50-0. Missouri had a 501-94 yard edge but the Tigers did get a 27-yard interception return TD and a 71-yard punt return TD in the first quarter. We do lean UNDER here.

West Virginia 30 KANSAS 23. Both teams are coming in off outright upset wins. West Virginia beat NC State (+7). West Virginia had a 445-369 yard edge as QB Austin Kendall was 27 of 40 for 272 yards and 3 TD's. "For us to play winning football, we have to identify ourselves as a blue-collar unit," West Virginia coach Neal Brown said. "We have to outwork people, we have to outphysical people. And we embraced that this week. I think what you saw on that field today was a product of that." On the other side, Kansas had a big shocker as they not only beat Boston College as near 3-TD underdogs but they blew out the Eagles 48-24. Kansas had a 567-447 yard edge including 329-228 on the ground. BC led 24-21 late 2Q but the Jayhawks scored the game's final 27 points. Kansas RB's Khalil Herbert (187) and Pooka Williams (121) both topped 100 yards rushing. The Jayhawks won their first road game against a power conference opponent since a victory at Iowa St on Oct. 4, 2008, a span of 48 straight losses. Kansas had five scoring drives of 78 yards or more, finding big holes through BC's defense on numerous plays. How do both teams handle success? We trust West Virginia a little more in this spot.

TEXAS 38 Oklahoma St 31. Texas has lost 4 straight to Oklahoma St and 3 of those were by 3 points each. Last week, the Cowboys out-scored Tulsa 20-0 in second half last week to get the cover. Oklahoma St had a 506-396 yard edge including 337-158 on the ground. The Cowboys won despite being -2 in TO's although Tulsa did have 17 penalties for 156 yards. OSU RB Chuba Hubbard ran for 256 yards and 3 TD's. On the other side, Texas had 28-13 first down and 509-266 yard edges including 171-87 on the ground in their blowout win over Rice. The Longhorns scored TD's on their first 4 possessions and never looked back. Texas QB Sam Ehlinger was 23 of 27 for 279 yards and 3 TD's. Texas hasn't left the state so far this season while Oklahoma St is making their 3rd road trip in 4 weeks. We lean with Texas here and note Texas head coach Tom Herman is 20-7 ATS in his career when not laying more than a TD.

KENT ST 34 Bowling Green 24. A pair of bottom 10 teams here in our power ratings. Bowling Green got a TD on the opening drive of the game and then were dominated by Louisiana Tech in a 35-7 loss. LT did get a "Pick 6" while BG was stopped on downs 3 times and missed a FG. Meanwhile, Kent St lost 55-16 at Auburn. The Golden Flashes have a little more upside in our opinion but we don't want to lay the double-digits here as this is the first double-digit favorite role for Kent St vs an FBS opponent in 4 years.

TCU 34 Smu 21. The Mustangs are 3-0 for the first time since 1984 and last week SMU had 23-15 first down and 639-241 yard edges including 390-16 on the ground in a blowout win over Texas St. On the other side, TCU dominated Purdue with 23-8 first down and 421-204 yard edges including 346-23 on the ground. TCU QB's Max Duggan and Alex Delton only combined for 8 of 24 for 75 yards but RB's Darius Anderson and Sewo Olonilua each topped 100 yards. This line certainly is giving a lot of respect to an SMU team that has lost 6 straight to TCU by an average of 31 ppg. We like the favorite.

ARKANSAS 40 San Jose St 20. Last week, Arkansas had a 520-425 yard edge but it was a misleading final score (Arkansas 55-34) as the game was tied 34-34 with about 10 minutes left in the game. Nick Starkel was 20 of 35 for 305 yards and 3 TD's for the Hogs. San Jose St comes in fresh off a bye. Not sure we want to lay the 3 TD's here with an Arkansas team that has been shaky (see opener vs Portland St).

UAB 33 South Alabama 20. The Blazers come in fresh off a bye while South Alabama is off a blowout loss to Memphis. Memphis had a 530-248 yard edge including 312-101 on the ground. UAB is 13-0 SU/10-2-1 ATS at home since returning to action in 2017. They get another win and cover here over a South Alabama team that has been getting too much love in the market place after their close loss to Nebraska.

Oregon 33 STANFORD 24. Oregon will be looking for revenge after they blew a 24-7 lead a year ago. Last week Oregon had 30-12 first down and 560-242 yard edges including 247-8 on the ground in their blowout win over Montana. Oregon QB Justin Herbert was 30 of 42 for 316 yards and 5 TD's. Herbert has thrown for a touchdown in 31 straight games, the longest current streak in the nation. The big question is can Stanford's D hold up? They've given up 8.1 and 7.4 yards per play the last two games vs a pair of true frosh QB's and now face a senior in Herbert. If the line holds, this would be Stanford's largest home underdog role since 2008. The Cardinal are 9-0 ATS and 8-1 SU in the home underdog role since late 2007 with an average cover of 13.4 ppg.

Baylor 42 RICE 16. Baylor comes in fresh off a bye after back-to-back blowout wins. On the other side, there was some late point spread drama in the Rice/Texas game last week. After Rice got a back-door cover TD with 1:07 left, the Horns got a 98-yard kickoff return TD with :53 left for the front door cover. Texas had 28-13 first down and 509-266 yard edges including 171-87 on the ground. More of the same here vs a Baylor team that is flying under the radar. Pass.

NORTH TEXAS 38 Utsa 19. Last week UTSA only trailed Army 10-7 late in the 3Q. Army had 22-13 first down and 358-260 yard edges including 340-51 on the ground. On the other side, North Texas was involved in a misleading final last week. California (-14) beat North Texas 23-17 but North Texas had a 329-278 yard edge. The Mean Green were -2 in TO's. Cal led 20-0 after the first quarter and then couldn't manage much after that. We're passing.

BRAD POWERS' ATS STAT OF THE WEEK:
This week Stanford is a 10.5-point home underdog to Oregon. If the line holds, it would be Stanford's largest home underdog role since 2008. Stanford is 9-0 ATS and 8-1 SU in the home underdog role since late 2007 with an average cover of 13.4 ppg.

2★ GEORGIA 38 Notre Dame 20. Both teams come in off blowout wins last week. Notre Dame probably isn't as good as they've looked because they are No. 1 in the country in turnover margin at +3.0 a game. Last week, they converted four New Mexico TOs into four TD's. We feel this is a bad match-up for an under-sized Notre Dame defense. The Irish are allowing 231 rush yards per game and 5.0 yards per carry (that's vs Louisville and New Mexico). Now they face a Georgia rush offense that is averaging 287 rush yards per game and 7.6 yards per carry. Remember, ND's starting defensive line average weight is 273 pounds. UGA's starting offensive line average weight is 329 pounds. That's 56 pounds per man. Finally, Georgia has won their last 15 home games by an average of 31 ppg. All 15 wins have come by 14-points or more and 13 have been by 21 points or more!

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FLORIDA ST 33 Louisville 24. Louisville has been pretty impressive so far this season at 3-0 ATS under first-year head coach Scott Satterfield. Last week Louisville had 21-14 first down and 415-287 yard edges including 210-42 on the ground in their 17-point win over Western Kentucky. Louisville did lead 31-7 at halftime and were playing without starting QB Jawon Pass. Malik Cunningham was 8 of 13 for 119 yards and 2 TD's while WR Tutu Atwell had 141 receiving yards and 3 TD's. On the other side, we were impressed with Florida St's resolve in a 31-24 loss at Virginia (we had a 3★ on UVA -7). Virginia had 27-21 first down and 415-329 yard edges but were -2 in TO's. FSU QB James Blackman was 22 of 37 for 234 yards and 3 TD's but Florida State has now been outscored 52-21 in the fourth quarter. This line seems a little to us. Lean on the favorite.

Nevada 35 UTEP 20. Nevada comes in after a 19-13 win over Weber St. However, Nevada dominated more than the final as the Wolf Pack had 25-10 first down and 453-137 yard edges but were -2 in TO's. Meanwhile, UTEP comes in after a bye. UTEP is 1-10 ATS in their last 11 home games.

WASHINGTON ST 38 UCLA 19. After their 0-3 start to the season we've downgraded UCLA more than any team in country this year (9.5 points). The Bruins have scored exactly 14 points in every game this season. Meanwhile, coming into the season Washington St had to figure out who would replace QB Gardner Minshew but Anthony Gordon has been just fine as a replacement, leading the country in passing at 441 ypg (12-2 ratio). How do the Bruins keep pace?

SAN DIEGO ST 27 Utah St 26. Dating back to 1968 San Diego St had won 10 straight games over Utah St by nearly 21 ppg. Utah St comes in fresh off a bye after blowing FCS Stony Brook. Meanwhile, San Diego St only had a 397-329 yard edge (did out-rush New Mexico St 291-30). The Aztecs were +3 in TO's in a 31-10 win. It's just the fifth 3-0 start for San Diego State since 1978. San Diego St has won and covered each of the last 4 times they've been listed as a home dog (since mid-2013). Can they make it 5 for 5?

Updated College Football Power Ratings for Week 4

Rank	Team	Pre	9/18
1	Clemson	99.54	100.53
2	Alabama	99.90	100.40
3	Georgia	93.01	94.51
4	Ohio State	88.60	92.60
5	LSU	90.95	92.45
6	Oklahoma	89.67	91.67
7	Michigan	89.42	86.42
8	Notre Dame	86.31	86.31
9	Auburn	86.93	85.93
10	Wisconsin	81.71	85.70
11	Oregon	84.43	85.43
12	Texas A&M	84.75	85.25
13	Penn State	83.62	83.12
14	Florida	86.70	82.70
15	Utah	81.68	82.18
16	UCF	77.31	81.81
17	Washington	82.69	81.69
18	Iowa	81.13	81.63
19	Michigan State	84.38	81.38
20	Texas	81.70	81.20
21	Missouri	81.55	81.05
22	Washington State	78.78	79.78
23	Oklahoma State	78.38	78.88
24	Virginia	77.04	78.54
25	Miami (FL)	79.38	78.38
26	Boise State	76.55	77.55
27	Baylor	76.92	77.41
28	Iowa State	79.87	77.37
29	TCU	78.18	77.18
30	Mississippi State	83.14	77.14
31	Nebraska	79.80	75.80
32	South Carolina	80.26	75.76
33	USC	79.14	75.64

Rank	Team	Pre	9/18
34	Kansas State	70.58	75.08
35	Arizona State	74.57	75.07
36	Memphis	74.53	75.03
37	BYU	74.18	74.68
38	Minnesota	78.57	74.57
39	Cincinnati	74.96	74.46
40	Florida State	80.46	74.46
41	Maryland	66.84	73.84
42	California	71.79	73.79
43	Tennessee	79.03	73.53
44	Stanford	77.90	72.90
45	Appalachian State	73.72	72.72
46	Northwestern	75.03	72.53
47	Utah State	69.67	72.17
48	Texas Tech	73.64	72.14
49	Fresno State	71.01	72.01
50	Duke	71.49	71.99
51	Kentucky	72.99	71.99
52	Virginia Tech	78.98	71.98
53	Arizona	74.37	71.87
54	NC State	72.35	71.85
55	Pittsburgh	72.13	71.63
56	Ole Miss	72.99	71.49
57	Syracuse	76.36	71.36
58	North Carolina	69.24	71.24
59	Air Force	67.85	70.85
60	Indiana	74.19	70.19
61	Wake Forest	69.14	70.14
62	Purdue	73.51	70.01
63	Temple	67.03	69.03
64	San Diego State	67.01	69.01
65	Army	67.90	68.90
66	Boston College	69.35	68.85

Biggest Movers Since Preseason

Team	Pts
Maryland	+7.0
UL-Lafayette	+6.0
Kansas St	+4.5
UCF	+4.5
SMU	+4.0
Ohio St	+4.0
Tulane	+4.0
Wisconsin	+4.0
Charlotte	+3.5
Coastal Carolina	+3.5
USC	-3.5
Purdue	-3.5
USF	-3.5
Minnesota	-4.0
Georgia Tech	-4.0
Indiana	-4.0
Nebraska	-4.0
Florida	-4.0
Akron	-4.5
South Carolina	-4.5
Syracuse	-5.0
FIU	-5.0
Stanford	-5.0
Tennessee	-5.5
Mississippi St	-6.0
Florida St	-6.0
Massachusetts	-6.5
Virginia Tech	-7.0
UCLA	-9.5

Week 4 Computer Projected Lines for Every CFB Game

For the past couple of seasons we have posted computer projected lines at pregame.com. Games where there was of difference of more than 3 points saw our computer lines actually beat the Vegas line at a 224-176-10 (56%) clip the last three years. That's pretty solid and actually better than our own handicapping in some seasons. Last week's plays went 7-6 and now the record for this year is 19-19-1. Keep in mind, these computer lines don't take into consideration off-the-field factors like revenge or flat spots. They are basically a power-rating number difference between the two teams that also takes into consideration the home field advantage.

Of the 14 games where our computer is off more than 3 points compared to the Vegas line (highlighted), our favorite team this week to back would be **TCU -9.5**.

The Comp column is the computer projected line and the Diff column is the difference between the Vegas line and the Computer line. "+" numbers in the difference column say back the underdog. "-" numbers in the difference column say back the favorite. Let us know if you have questions.

Thursday, Sept 19th	Line	Comp	Diff	Saturday, Sept 21st	Line	Comp	Diff
303 Houston				351 Colorado			
304 Tulane	-5	-2.8	+2.3	352 Arizona State	-7.5	-11.3	-3.8
Friday, Sept 20th	Line	Comp	Diff	353 California			
305 Utah				354 Mississippi	-2	-1.7	+0.3
306 USC	+3.5	+1.8	+1.7	355 Tennessee			
307 FIU				356 Florida	-14	-13.7	+0.3
308 Louisiana Tech	-8	-6.7	+1.3	357 Georgia State			
309 Air Force				358 Texas State	-3	-1.0	+2.0
310 Boise State	-8	-11.2	-3.2	359 Southern Miss			
Saturday, Sept 21st	Line	Comp	Diff	360 Alabama	-39	-40.3	-1.3
311 UL-Monroe				361 Kentucky			
312 Iowa State	-18.5	-23.2	-4.7	362 Mississippi State	-6.5	-9.7	-3.2
313 Miami (OH)				363 LSU			
314 Ohio State	-39	-38.4	+0.6	364 Vanderbilt	+23.5	+20.8	+2.7
315 Charlotte				365 Appalachian State			
316 Clemson	-41	-49.1	-8.1	366 North Carolina	-3	-2.0	+1.0
317 Connecticut				367 Auburn			
318 Indiana	-27	-29.6	-2.6	368 Texas A&M	-4	-3.8	+0.2
319 Central Florida				369 Wyoming			
320 Pittsburgh	+12	+6.2	+5.8	370 Tulsa	-3.5	-4.7	-1.2
321 UL-Lafayette				371 South Carolina			
322 Ohio	-3.5	-4.8	-1.3	372 Missouri	-9.5	-9.3	+0.2
323 Nebraska				373 West Virginia			
324 Illinois	+13	+11.2	+1.8	374 Kansas	+4.5	+6.9	-2.4
325 Temple				375 Oklahoma State			
326 Buffalo	+14	+10.1	+3.9	376 Texas	-5.5	-6.6	-1.1
327 Central Michigan				377 Bowling Green			
328 Miami (FL)	-30.5	-33.9	-3.4	378 Kent State	-10.5	-8.9	+1.6
329 Old Dominion				379 SMU			
330 Virginia	-30	-32.8	-2.8	380 TCU	-9.5	-13.4	-3.9
331 Coastal Carolina				381 San Jose State			
332 Massachusetts	+17	+14.7	+2.3	382 Arkansas	-21	-19.7	+1.3
333 Michigan State				383 South Alabama			
334 Northwestern	+9.5	+5.3	+4.2	384 UAB	-10	-13.3	-3.3
335 Troy				385 Oregon			
336 Akron	+17	+14.8	+2.2	386 Stanford	+10.5	+7.8	+2.7
337 Boston College				387 Baylor			
338 Rutgers	+7	+6.8	+0.2	388 Rice	+26.5	+27.9	-1.4
339 Western Michigan				389 Texas San Antonio			
340 Syracuse	-6	-7.3	-1.3	390 North Texas	-19	-15.8	+3.2
341 Ball State				391 Notre Dame			
342 NC State	-19	-19.5	-0.5	392 Georgia	-14	-13.5	+0.5
343 Michigan				393 Louisville			
344 Wisconsin	-3.5	-4.5	-1.0	394 Florida State	-6.5	-10.7	-4.2
345 Toledo				395 Nevada			
346 Colorado St	+9.5	+7.0	+2.5	396 UTEP	+14.5	+15.8	-1.3
347 New Mexico State				397 UCLA			
348 New Mexico	-4.5	-3.3	+1.2	398 Washington State	-18.5	-16.0	+2.5
349 Washington				399 Utah State			
350 BYU	+6	+3.3	+2.7	400 San Diego State	+4	-0.6	+4.6

Top 20 CFB ATS Trends for Week 4

- USC head coach Clay Helton is just 1-12 SU/2-11 ATS as an underdog failing to cover by 9.7 ppg.
- Boise St is 6-17-1 ATS as a home favorite. This week the Broncos are -8 hosting Air Force.
- Air Force is 15-5-2 ATS as a dog since late 2014. This week the Falcons are catching 8 points at Boise St.
- Teams that are laying a TD or more with a total of 43 or less are 172-230-13 ATS all-time (42.8%). Michigan St would qualify for this trend this week as the Spartans are 9.5-point road favorites at Northwestern (total 39.5).
- Since 2015, Michigan St is 3-9 ATS as a road favorite. This week the Spartans are 9.5-point road favorites at Northwestern.
- Since late 2014, Northwestern 18-9 ATS as an underdog. This week the Wildcats are 9.5-point home underdogs vs Michigan St.
- Northwestern home games have went 38-12-2 to the UNDER since late 2011.
- Akron is 7-24-1 ATS as a home dog. This week the Zips are 17-point home underdogs to Troy.
- Troy is 17-5-2 ATS on the road. This week the Trojans are 17-point dogs at Akron.
- Michigan is in the rare underdog role this week at Wisconsin. Under head coach Jim Harbaugh, the Wolverines are 0-6 SU/2-4 ATS as dogs failing to cover by 8.3 ppg.
- 11 of Cal's last 12 games have went UNDER the total. This week's total vs Ole Miss is 41.5.
- Alabama is just 6-17 ATS laying 35 or more points since late 2011. The Crimson Tide are 39-point favorites hosting Southern Miss.
- Texas A&M is 16-4 ATS in their last 20 games. This week the Aggies are 4-point home favorites vs Auburn.
- TCU has won 6 straight meetings over SMU by an average of 31 ppg. However, this week the Horned Frogs are only laying 9.5-point hosting the Mustangs.
- UAB is 13-0 SU/10-2-1 ATS at home since returning to action in 2017. This week the Blazers are 10-point home favorites vs South Alabama.
- This week Stanford is a 10.5-point home underdog to Oregon. If the line holds, it would be Stanford's largest home underdog role since 2008.
- Stanford is 9-0 ATS and 8-1 SU in the home underdog role since late 2007 with an average cover of 13.4 ppg.
- Notre Dame is just 3-18 SU/9-12 ATS as a double-digit underdog since late 2002.
- Georgia has won their last 15 home games by an average of 31 ppg. All 15 wins have come by 14-points or more and 13 have been by 21 points or more. This week Georgia is a 14-point favorite at home vs Notre Dame.
- UTEP is 1-10 ATS in their last 11 home games. This week the Miners are 14.5-point home underdogs to Nevada.

4★ = BEST
3★ = BETTER
2★ = GOOD
1★ = FAIR

THE POWERS' PACK

3★ Houston (+3.5 -120) over L.A. CHARGERS
2★ MINNESOTA (-8.5) over Oakland
2★ L.A. Rams (-3) over CLEVELAND

Games in Rotation Order

HOME TEAM IN CAPS

Thursday, September 19th

Tennessee 21 JACKSONVILLE 19. Tennessee has gone 4-0 SU/ATS vs Jacksonville the last two years holding the Jags offense to only 10.3 ppg. We're not sure it will get any better here for Jacksonville with a rookie QB in Gardner Minshew on a short week. With that being said, Minshew has exceeded expectations so far (22 of 33 for 213 yards and a TD last week) but now teams have some more film on him. Usually we wouldn't mind backing the home dog with a good defense here but with the Jalen Ramsey distractions going on we'd have the slightest of leans on the road favorite.

Sunday, September 22nd

GREEN BAY 24 DENVER 18. Two new head coaches with disparate results so far. Green Bay is off to a 2-0 start under Matt LeFleur with both wins coming against key division rivals. Meanwhile, Denver is 0-2 under new coach Vic Fangio after the last second home loss to Chicago (53-yard FG on the final play). It is the first time in 20 years that the Broncos have started a season 0-2 and most concerning is a defense that has yet to record a sack. Do note that Denver is +43 ypg this season while Green Bay is -63 ypg. Not sure we want to lay more than a TD here with GB in a possible flat spot off two division rivals and a Thursday night home game vs the Eagles on deck. Lean Denver.

PHILADELPHIA 27 DETROIT 20. We haven't been that impressed with the Eagles so far this season as they struggled early vs a crappy Washington team and then last week lost outright at Atlanta. The secondary has been the main problem after allowing 380 yards and 3 TD's to Case Keenum in Week 1, they allowed 320 yards and 3 more TD's to Matt Ryan on SNF. Meanwhile, the Lions are one bad 5 minute stretch away (late 4Q vs Arizona) from being 2-0 after last week's upset of the Chargers. The Lions did get outgained 424-339 in that game vs a banged up L.A. team. Don't see too much value here. Pass.

KANSAS CITY 30 BALTIMORE 24. With Eli, Big Ben and Brees all not starting in a week for the first time since 2004, we get a glimpse of the future here with a great QB match-up of Patrick Mahomes vs Lamar Jackson. Last week Jackson passed for 272 yards and ran for 120 in the win over Arizona (first QB to have that stat line in the Super Bowl era). Meanwhile, Mahomes had 313 passing yards and 4 TD's in the first half vs Oakland (much to our dismay on these pages). Baltimore has won 8 of its last 9 regular season games and the lone loss was by 3 at Kansas City where the Chiefs kept the game alive with two 4th down conversions. We'll call this one near the line.

BUFFALO 24 CINCINNATI 20. The Bills have their home opener here after winning the New York state title with a pair of road wins in MetLife over the Jets/Giants. QB Josh Allen has now thrown for more than 200 yards in 7 straight games (first Bills QB to do so since Jim Kelly in 1992). They take on a 0-2 Cincinnati team that was just destroyed by San Francisco last week (49ers had a 572-316 yard edge). That coming on the heels of a near upset of Seattle in Week 1. Which team will we get this week? We're guessing Buffalo is feeling a little too good about themselves here.

INDIANAPOLIS 24 ATLANTA 23. "The reports of the Colts death after Andrew Luck's retirement were greatly exaggerated." Indy comes in off an upset win over Tennessee last week as QB Brissett threw a career-high 3 TD passes. However, there continues to be concerns with 46-year-old kicker Adam Vinatieri who missed 2 more extra points and now has 5 misses on the season! Meanwhile, Atlanta comes in off the big win over Philadelphia on SNF. However, the Falcons are just 3-7 SU/ATS as a road underdog the last 3 years and this is Indy's home opener. To the wire.

2★ MINNESOTA 27 OAKLAND 16. You don't win money long-term fading Minnesota especially at home in the favorite role as Minnesota is 22-6-3 ATS as home favorite under head coach Mike Zimmer. After last week's blowout home loss to the Chiefs (much to our dismay on these pages), the Raiders are playing in the dreaded 10:00am PT start time against an angry Minnesota team that fell behind Green Bay 21-0 last week and couldn't recover in time. Remember, Oakland doesn't have another home game until November and their first round rookie safety Johnathan Abram is now on I.R.

NEW ENGLAND 31 N.Y. JETS 10. A week after covering one of the biggest road point spreads in NFL history (much to our dismay on these pages), the Pats now are laying one of the biggest point spreads in NFL history

regardless of home or away. Remember, 21-point or more favorites in the NFL are 0-5 ATS since 1989. New England has outscored its opponents 76-3 this season and haven't given up a TD in 3 straight games dating back to the Super Bowl. Obviously, the Jets are down to a 3rd string QB in Luke Falk who will make his first career start here. If C.J. Mosley and Quinnen Williams remain out for N.Y., are they really that much better than the Dolphins? New England has won 17 straight home games (going 14-3 ATS) with an average win of 16.5 ppg. They're also 16-4-1 ATS laying double-digits with an average win of 17.9 ppg. However, this point spread is in a different stratosphere.

DALLAS 31 MIAMI 10. For the first time in NFL history we have two 21-point favorites in the same week. It is deserved considering how bad the Dolphins have looked (outscored 102-10 in first two games). The tank job is in full gear considering they traded Minkah Fitzpatrick away. Meanwhile, the Cowboys come in riding high of back-to-back double-digit wins over division rivals. QB Prescott (82% completions and 7 TD passes) is certainly looking like he's on his way to getting that big contract.

TAMPA BAY 26 N.Y. GIANTS 20. The Daniel Jones era officially begins in New York as Eli Manning's era in the Big Apple likely comes to an end with a 116-116 career record (but, of course 2 Super Bowls). The Giants are off to an 0-2 start for the 6th time in 7 years as nobody has thrown more INT's or lost more games than Eli Manning since his last Super Bowl win. Tampa Bay does have extra rest coming off the Thursday Night upset of the Panthers. However, can you trust Jameis Winston and Co laying a TD here? This is only the 2nd time in 7 years, they've laid 6 or more points.

ARIZONA 21 CAROLINA 20. Note the 0-2 Panthers are plus-24 ypg on the season while Arizona is minus-91 ypg. Kyler Murray is on pace throw more passes than any QB in NFL history and he is only the 2nd NFL QB to his rookie season off with back-to-back 300-yard games. We were all set in backing a desperate 0-2 Carolina team in this one with extra rest but now with Cam Newton likely out of this game after re-aggravating a foot injury from the preseason, we're passing.

SEATTLE 26 NEW ORLEANS 19. Help us understand this line...Seattle has one of the best home field advantages in the NFL. Some would say it's worth 4 points especially when they aren't laying more than 6 points (28-10-2 ATS since 2010 as a small favorite or dog). But these two teams are supposed to be within 1-point of each other with Teddy Bridgewater at QB for the Saints? We get it Seattle hasn't looked great so far this season (despite being 2-0) and last week, they took advantage of a Pittsburgh team playing without Big Ben in the second half. Still, how is this line not -6 or -6.5? We'll take the bait.

3★ Houston 24 L.A. CHARGERS 23. The Chargers return home after losing to the Lions last week 13-10 despite having a 424-339 yard edge. They are really banged up at several spots on both sides of the ball and even including kicker where replacement Ty Long missed a pair of FG's last week. Meanwhile, the Texans nearly lost outright to a Jags team that was starting a rookie making his first career start in Gardner Minshew. It's still the same problem for Houston as they cannot protect QB Deshaun Watson as he's been sacked 10 times already this season. That's 8 straight games where he's been sacked at least 4 times. With that being said, this is still a Houston team that it's tough to get margin on and the Chargers homefield advantage is limited.

SAN FRANCISCO 24 PITTSBURGH 19. No Big Ben for Pittsburgh here as the Mason Rudolph era begins possibly. The Steelers are 0-2 for the first time since 2013 as we unfortunately had them last week vs the Seahawks on these pages. Meanwhile, the 49ers are red-hot after back-to-back blow-out road wins albeit over the lowly Bucs and Bengals. They're 2-0 for the first time since 2012. More of the same here? Nah, we expect the Steelers to be plenty motivated and it looks like RB Conner will play.

2★ L.A. Rams 30 CLEVELAND 23. Are the Browns really ready for prime-time? We're not so sure even after their 20-point win over a banged up Jets team on MNF. They are extremely undisciplined with now 27 penalties in just 2 games and while that didn't matter vs an over-matched Jets team, it will here just like it did in the opener vs Tennessee. Meanwhile, the Rams have been in the spotlight now for the last couple of seasons and have done their best on the road going 15-3 SU on the road with an average cover of 5.5 ppg.

Monday, September 23rd

Chicago 21 WASHINGTON 17. The Bears just "barely" avoided a disastrous 0-2 start by getting a 53-yard field goal on the final play vs Denver last week. Meanwhile, the Redskins are 0-2 after back-to-back losses to division rivals. Last week they were out-gained 474-255. Not sure we want to back the Bears on back-to-back road trips but we're not interested in Washington either. We do lean UNDER.

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