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Bowl Bets 62% Last Year and 57% This Year So Far!!!
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Regular Season Recap for BP Sports

With only 17 games remaining in the football season (11 NFL playoff games and 5 bowl 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.

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 17-13 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 18 Dec 28-Jan 1

CFB Bowls Thursday, Jan 2nd	Line	BP			All Times Eastern
271 BOSTON COLLEGE 3:00 p.m. Birmingham Bowl ESPN	55.5	54			
272 CINCINNATI	-7	-8			
293 TENNESSEE 7:00 p.m. Gator Bowl ESPN	-2	-3			
294 INDIANA	52.5	51			
CFB Bowls Friday, Jan 3rd	**Line**	**BP**			All Times Eastern
275 OHIO 3:30 p.m. Idaho Potato Bowl ESPN	-8	-8			
276 NEVADA	58.5	60			
CFB Bowls Saturday, Jan 4th	**Line**	**BP**			All Times Eastern
277 TULANE 11:30 a.m. Armed Forces Bowl ESPN	-7	-8			
278 SOUTHERN MISS	56.5	56			
NFL Wildcard Saturday, Jan 4th	**Line**	**BP**			All Times Eastern
141 BUFFALO 4:35 p.m. ESPN/ABC	43.5	41			
142 HOUSTON	-2.5	-3			
143 TENNESSEE 8:15 p.m. CBS	44	46			
144 NEW ENGLAND	-5	-6			
NFL Wildcard Sunday, Jan 5th	**Line**	**BP**			All Times Eastern
145 MINNESOTA 1:05 p.m. FOX	49.5	51			
146 NEW ORLEANS	-8	-9			
147 SEATTLE 4:40 p.m. NBC	-1.5	43			
148 PHILADELPHIA	45.5	-1			
CFB Bowls Monday, Jan 6th	**Line**	**BP**			All Times Eastern
279 MIAMI, OH 7:30 p.m. Lending Tree Bowl ESPN	55.5	57			
280 UL-LAFAYETTE	-14	-15			

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
Late injury, suspension, weather and coaching reports could have us leaning with another team especially with the late December/early January bowls.

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 (+)-WIN
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 (-)
Outback Bowl	Minnesota vs Auburn	Auburn (+)
Rose Bowl	Wisconsin vs Oregon	Oregon (+)
Sugar Bowl	Baylor vs Georgia	Baylor (+)
Birmingham Bowl	Boston College vs Cincinnati	Cincinnati (-)
Gator Bowl	Tennessee vs Indiana	Tennessee (-)
Potato Bowl	Ohio vs Nevada	Ohio (-)
Armed Forces Bowl	Tulane vs Southern Miss	Tulane (-)
Lending Tree Bowl	Miami, Oh vs UL-Lafayette	Miami, Oh (+)

Brad Powers Bowl Confidence Contest Picks
3 Years Ago Finished No. 989 (100% percentile) out of nearly a million entries in ESPN's Bowl Mania!!! (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	
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	
Birmingham Bowl	Boston College vs Cincinnati	Cincinnati	34	
Outback Bowl	Minnesota vs Auburn	Auburn	33	
Potato Bowl	Ohio vs Nevada	Ohio	32	
Citrus Bowl	Michigan vs Alabama	Alabama	31	
Armed Forces Bowl	Tulane vs Southern Miss	Tulane	30	
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	
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	W
Gator Bowl	Tennessee vs Indiana	Tennessee	11	
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	
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

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4★ = BEST
3★ = BETTER
2★ = GOOD
1★ = FAIR
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THE POWERS' PACK

1★ Cincinnati (-7 -115) over Boston Coll (Jan. 2)
1★ Tennessee (-2) over Indiana (Jan. 2)
1★ OVER 58.5 Ohio/Nevada (Jan. 3)
1★ Tulane (-7) over Southern Miss (Jan. 4)
1★ OVER 55.5 Miami, Oh/UL-Lafayette (Jan. 6)

Games in Rotation Order   *HOME TEAM IN CAPS*
Thursday, January 2nd
Birmingham Bowl in Birmingham, AL
1★ **Cincinnati (-7 -115). † Cincinnati 31 Boston College 23.** Even though Cincinnati is a Group of 5 team and BC is in a Power 5 conference, the two teams played similar schedules in terms of strength. The Bearcats statistically are the superior team with as they were +0.3 in ypp margin while the Eagles were -0.6. BC will have an interim coach here in Rich Gunnell (WR coach) as they surprisingly fired Steve Addazio after the season. Their O.C. also left for Northwestern. Finally, their top player RB AJ Dillon (1,685 rush yards, 14 TD's) is sitting this game out.

Gator Bowl in Jacksonville, FL
1★ **Tennessee (-2). † Tennessee 27 Indiana 24.** After a disastrous start to the season that included upset losses to Georgia St and BYU, Tennessee finished the season on a 7-3 SU run and they covered in 6 of their last 7 games. Meanwhile, Indiana had their best season in at least a quarter century but did lose their O.C. Kalen DeBeor who took the head job at Fresno St. However, he will still call plays here as Indiana tries for their first 9-win season in 52 years. Since 2015, Big Ten teams are 3-9 SU and 2-10 ATS against SEC teams in bowl games and we expect Tennessee to have the crowd edge here.

Friday, January 3rd
Idaho Potato Bowl in Boise, ID
1★ **OVER 58.5. † Ohio 34 Nevada 26.** It was a disappointing season for Ohio as they were preseason MAC East favorites but stumbled to a 6-6 finish. Statistically though, they were +0.8 in ypp margin (No. 34 in country) while their opponent here Nevada was -1.1 (No. 117) in that category. The Wolfpack will be playing without 3 defensive starters who are suspended for this game after the UNLV brawl and a 4th starter is out for the first half. Ohio has won its last two bowl games by a combined score of 68-6. We're taking the OVER here as the early weather forecast (Sunny high 40's, low wind) is about as good as it gets in Boise this time of the year.

Saturday, January 4th
Armed Forces Bowl in Fort Worth, TX
1★ **Tulane (-7). † Tulane 32 Southern Miss 24.** Even though both of these teams are in the Group of 5, Tulane did play the much tougher schedule (No. 70 vs No. 109) and the Green Wave were the statistically superior team (+0.7 in ypp margin vs +0.4 for Southern Miss). Tulane does limp in here with 5 losses in their last 6 games but we think that gives us some value here.

Monday, January 6th
Lending Tree Bowl in Mobile, AL
1★ **OVER 55.5. † UL-LAFAYETTE 36 Miami, Oh 21.** To get a 2-TD spread in a lower-level bowl game obviously you need some huge statistical disparities. We have that here as ULL was +1.6 in ypp margin (No. 15) while Miami was -0.2 (No. 83). Despite their 8-win season, Miami was -3.5 in ppg and -75 ypg. Meanwhile, ULL was +19 ppg and +129 ypg. Note that in each of Miami's 5 losses this year, they lost by at least 14 points. Still, it's tough laying 2 TD's in a bowl game (see Miss St vs Miami, Oh a few years ago). We'll go with the OVER here as only 2 teams (Miss St and App St) have held ULL under 31 points this year.

Head Coach vs Head Coach Bowl Records

Coach	SU	ATS	Fav	Dog
Rich Gunnell, Boston College (interim)	-	-	-	-
Luke Fickell, Cincinnati	1-1	0-2	0-1	0-1
Jeremy Pruitt, Tennessee	-	-	-	-
Tom Allen, Indiana	0-1	1-0	-	1-0
Frank Solich, Ohio	6-9	8-7	4-3	4-4
Jay Norvell, Nevada	1-0	1-0	1-0	-
Willie Fritz, Tulane	1-0	1-0	1-0	-
Jay Hopson, Southern Miss	1-1	1-1	1-0	0-1
Chuck Martin, Miami, Oh	0-1	1-0	-	1-0
Billy Napier, UL-Lafayette	0-1	0-1	-	0-1

AFC/NFC Wild Card Forecasts

Games in Rotation Order 　　　　　　　*HOME TEAM IN CAPS*
Saturday, January 4th

AFC Wildcard: Buffalo at Houston. 4:35pm ET on ESPN/ABC
1★ UNDER 43.5. HOUSTON 22 Buffalo 19. Both teams took it easy last week as they had their playoff seeds pretty much locked up. Buffalo won 10 games in a season for the first time since 1999 and the Bills haven't won a playoff fame since 1995. They win with defense as they were No. 3 in ypg allowed (298) and No. 2 in ppg allowed (16 ppg). Meanwhile, Houston is in the playoffs for the 4th time in 5 years. They will get the return of DE JJ Watt here. Houston did play the tougher schedule (No. 7 vs No. 29) but the Texans were -26 ypg on the season and were out-scored by a combined 7 points (not good for a 10-win team). We don't see much value here but will go with the UNDER. The UNDER cashed in 6 of Houston's last 9 games and Buffalo games saw the UNDER go 12-4 this season.

AFC Wildcard: Tennessee at New England. 8:15pm ET on CBS
1★ New England (-5). NEW ENGLAND 26 Tennessee 20. This is the first time since 2009 that New England is playing in the Wild Card round and note they've never reached the Super Bowl without a bye in the Belichick/Brady era. Last week Tom Brady threw his first "Pick 6" in two years. A lot of trends are backing the Pats here who come in off that historic upset loss to the Dolphins last week. Teams that are off straight up losses as a double-digit favorite: are 76-57-5 ATS (57%) the last 30 years. Since the Patriots first Super Bowl winning season, they are 42-22-2 ATS (66%) off a straight up loss since 2002. The Patriots off a home loss since 2002 are 15-5-2 ATS (75%). Finally, the Patriots with revenge since 2002 are 49-27-2 ATS (65%). This play would be even stronger for us but you have to respect what Tennessee has done with Tannehill at QB as they are 7-3 SU/ATS and are averaging 30 ppg on offense (just 16 ppg with Mariota at QB). Also you have to respect the NFL's leading rusher in Derrick Henry (1,540 yards).

Sunday, January 5th

NFC Wildcard: Minnesota at New Orleans. 1:05pm ET on FOX
2★ New Orleans (-2 in a 6-point advantage teaser with Philadelphia). If you can't play a teaser, then 1★ New Orleans (-8).
NEW ORLEANS 30 Minnesota 21. New Orleans could be one of the best wild-card team ever. Their 13-3 record is tied for the best ever for a Wild Card team and the Saints were +117 points on the season. Since Week 3 (remember they always struggle in Weeks 1 and 2 the last 6 years: 2-10 SU/1-11 ATS), the Saints were 12-2 SU (+9.5 ppg) and 11-3 ATS (+4.8 ppg). Meanwhile, Minnesota limped to the finish line this year especially a brutal MNF loss to the Packers at home a couple weeks ago. Minnesota was just 1-4 SU/ATS vs winning teams this year. The Saints were much better at home (+101 ypg vs -20 ypg on road) and they could remembering the "Minnesota Miracle" loss to the Vikings from a couple years ago. Still, we don't want to lay more than a TD here. We do think there is good value with the Saints on an advantage teaser with Philadelphia (crossing through key numbers of 7 and 3).

AFC Wildcard: Seattle at Philadelphia. 4:40pm ET on NBC
2★ Philadelphia (+7.5 in a 6-point advantage teaser with New Orleans). If you can't play a teaser, then 1★ Philadelphia (+1.5).
PHILADELPHIA 22 Seattle 21. Only two of Seattle's wins this year came by more than 7 points this year. Yes, we are fully aware that one of those was right here in Philly when Seattle won by 8 but note the Seahawks were +3 in TO's (Philly had a 23-14 first down edge). This isn't a great spot for Seattle after their 60-minute war with San Francisco on SNF and now they're traveling across the country. We feel Seattle is overrated as they are only +7 points this year and -7 ypg. Meanwhile, Philadelphia was +31 points this year and +28 ypg. We would like the Eagles even more here but they are even more compromised offensively losing 2 more starters vs the Giants last week. They still out-scored the G-Men 17-0 in the fourth quarter which cost us on these pages. While Philadelphia's injuries are well-publicized we're not sure the market is properly pricing Seattle's injuries.

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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