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2019 College Football Season Win Total Results

School	Total Wins	O/U	School	Total Wins	O/U		
Air Force	6.5	10	OV	NC State	7.5	4	UN
Akron	3.5	0	UN	Nebraska	8.5	5	UN
Alabama	11	10	UN	Nevada	6.5	7	OV
Appalachian State	9	11	OV	New Mexico	5	2	UN
Arizona	7	4	UN	New Mexico State	3.5	2	UN
Arizona State	7.5	7	UN	North Carolina	4.5	6	OV
Arkansas	5	2	UN	North Texas	7.5	4	UN
Arkansas State	7.5	7	UN	Northern Illinois	7	5	UN
Army	9.5	5	UN	Northwestern	6.5	3	UN
Auburn	8	9	OV	Notre Dame	8.5	10	OV
Ball State	4	5	OV	Ohio	7.5	6	UN
Baylor	7	11	OV	Ohio State	10.5	12	OV
Boise State	10	11	OV	Oklahoma	10.5	11	OV
Boston College	6	6	P	Oklahoma State	6.5	8	OV
Bowling Green	3	3	P	Old Dominion	4.5	1	UN
Buffalo	6	7	OV	Ole Miss	5	4	UN
BYU	6.5	7	OV	Oregon	8.5	10	OV
California	6	7	OV	Oregon State	2.5	5	OV
Central Michigan	4	8	OV	Penn State	8.5	10	OV
Charlotte	4.5	7	OV	Pittsburgh	6	7	OV
Cincinnati	6.5	10	OV	Purdue	7.5	4	UN
Clemson	11.5	12	OV	Rice	2.5	3	OV
Coastal Carolina	4.5	5	OV	Rutgers	3	2	UN
Colorado	4.5	5	OV	San Diego State	8	9	OV
Colorado State	3.5	4	OV	San Jose State	2.5	5	OV
Connecticut	2.5	2	UN	SMU	6	10	OV
Duke	6	5	UN	South Alabama	2.5	2	UN
East Carolina	4	4	P	South Carolina	6	4	UN
Eastern Michigan	6.5	6	UN	Southern Miss	7.5	7	UN
FIU	7.5	6	UN	Stanford	6.5	4	UN
Florida	9	10	OV	Syracuse	7	5	UN
Florida Atlantic	8	9	OV	TCU	7.5	5	UN
Florida State	7	6	UN	Temple	6.5	8	OV
Fresno State	8	4	UN	Tennessee	6.5	7	OV
Georgia	11	11	P	Texas	9.5	7	UN
Georgia Southern	6.5	7	OV	Texas A&M	7.5	7	UN
Georgia State	3.5	7	OV	Texas State	4.5	3	UN
Georgia Tech	4	3	UN	Texas Tech	6.5	4	UN
Hawaii	5.5	9	OV	Toledo	8	6	UN
Houston	7.5	4	UN	Troy	6.5	5	OV
Illinois	3.5	6	OV	Tulane	5.5	6	UN
Indiana	6	8	OV	Tulsa	4.5	4	UN
Iowa	8	9	OV	UAB	7	9	OV
Iowa State	8	7	UN	UCF	9.5	9	UN
Kansas	3	3	P	UCLA	5.5	4	UN
Kansas State	5	8	OV	UL-Lafayette	6	10	OV
Kent State	4	6	OV	UL-Monroe	5	5	P
Kentucky	6.5	7	OV	UNLV	4	4	P
Liberty	5.5	7	OV	USC	6.5	8	OV
Louisiana Tech	7.5	9	OV	USF	7.5	4	UN
Louisville	4	7	OV	Utah	9	11	OV
LSU	9	12	OV	Utah State	7	7	P
Marshall	7	8	OV	UTEP	3	1	UN
Maryland	4	3	UN	UTSA	2.5	4	OV
Massachusetts	2.5	1	UN	Vanderbilt	5	3	UN
Memphis	9.5	11	OV	Virginia	7	9	OV
Miami (FL)	8.5	6	UN	Virginia Tech	8	8	P
Miami (OH)	6	7	OV	Wake Forest	6	8	OV
Michigan	9.5	9	UN	Washington	9.5	7	UN
Michigan State	7.5	6	UN	Washington State	8.5	6	UN
Middle Tennessee	5.5	4	UN	West Virginia	5	5	P
Minnesota	7.5	10	OV	Western Kentucky	5	8	OV
Mississippi State	8	6	UN	Western Michigan	7.5	7	UN
Missouri	7.5	6	UN	Wisconsin	8.5	10	OV
Navy	5.5	9	OV	Wyoming	5.5	7	OV

Season Win Total Best Bets (July Issue)

- 1. Purdue UNDER 7.5 Wins (-130). WIN.** Purdue was one of the more under-achieving teams in the entire country this year as the Boilers only managed 4 wins. However, they were decimated by injury and we think in 2020, Purdue will field one of the most improved teams in the country.
- 2. Cincinnati OVER 6.5 Wins (-135). WIN.** This was another easy winner for us as the Bearcats went on to win 10 games this season. Although, we will be looking to play against them next season as Cincy was 4-1 in games decided by 7 points or less and were also out-gained in 6 of their wins.
- 3. Ohio OVER 7.5 Wins (-114). LOSS.** The Bobcats were a disappointment for us this season as they only managed 6 wins. They were favored in 9 of their 12 games but were 2-4 in games decided by 7 points or less.
- 4. Colorado UNDER 4.5 Wins (-108). LOSS.** This one hurt as Colorado was only favored in 3 games this season. They managed to pull outright upsets over Nebraska (+4.5), Arizona St (+7.5), Stanford (+3.5) and Washington (+14) to beat us.
- 5. Marshall OVER 7 Wins (-125). WIN.** We had to sweat this one out until the final possession of the last game of the season. The Herd were favored in 9 games this season, but upset losses to Middle Tennessee and Charlotte meant they had to beat FIU in the finale to go OVER their season win total. Luckily for us, they won 30-27 over FIU in OT.
- 6. USF UNDER 7.5 Wins (-130). WIN.** Another easy winner for us as USF only managed 4 wins this season and were only favored in 3 games. The Bulls would fire head coach Charlie Strong after the season.
- 7. UCLA OVER 5.5 Wins (-108). LOSS.** In hindsight, we underestimated UCLA's schedule strength as the Bruins only finished 4-8. Early losses to Cincinnati and San Diego St doomed our bet even though they had a solid run where they upset Washington St, Stanford and Arizona St. It's safe to assume head coach Chip Kelly will be under a lot of pressure entering the 2020 season.
- 8. Texas UNDER 9.5 Wins (-145). WIN.** Another comfortable winner for us as the Longhorns only managed 7 wins. Head coach Tom Herman fired both his offensive and defensive coordinators after the season and there will be a lot of pressure on Herman to deliver in 2020.

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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					NFL Newsletter					College/NFL Combined Newsletter							
W	L	T	%	Net	W	L	T	%	Net	W	L	T	%	Net			
Sports Reporter	30	23	1	56.60%	7	Night Owl	11	3	0	78.57%	8	Sports Reporter	46	36	1	56.10%	10
Power Sweep	28	29	0	49.12%	-1	Power Plays	9	5	0	64.29%	4	Night Owl	32	26	1	55.17%	6
Playbook	19	20	3	48.72%	-1	Gold Sheet	25	16	1	60.98%	9	Power Plays	24	21	0	53.33%	3
Power Plays	15	16	0	48.39%	-1	Powers' Picks	24	16	2	60.00%	8	Gold Sheet	51	49	1	51.00%	2
Night Owl	21	23	1	47.73%	-2	Sports Reporter	16	13	0	55.17%	3	Powers' Picks	55	53	5	50.93%	2
Winning Points	41	45	0	47.67%	-4	Pointwise	22	19	1	53.66%	3	Pointwise	61	65	3	48.41%	-4
Pointwise	39	46	2	45.88%	-7	Winning Points	26	28	2	48.15%	-2	Power Sweep	40	43	2	48.19%	-3
Powers' Picks	31	37	3	45.59%	-6	Power Sweep	12	14	2	46.15%	-2	Winning Points	67	73	2	47.86%	-6
Gold Sheet	26	33	0	44.07%	-7	Playbook	18	23	1	43.90%	-5	Playbook	37	43	4	46.25%	-6
Combined	250	272	10	47.89%	-22	Combined	163	137	9	54.33%	26	Combined	413	409	19	50.24%	4

CFB & NFL Schedules with Lines wk 16 December 12-16				
NFL Wk 15 Thursday, Dec 12th		Line	BP	All Times Eastern
301	N.Y. JETS	45	45	
302	BALTIMORE	-14.5	-13	
CFB Wk 16 Saturday, Dec 14th		Line	BP	All Times Eastern
303	ARMY	40.5	40	
304	NAVY	-10.5	-8	
NFL Sunday, December 15th		Line	BP	All Times Eastern
305	TAMPA BAY	-3.5	-2	
306	DETROIT	47.5	48	
307	PHILADELPHIA	-4.5	-3	
308	WASHINGTON	40	41	
309	CHICAGO	40.5	43	
310	GREEN BAY	-4.5	-3	
311	NEW ENGLAND	-9.5	-13	
312	CINCINNATI	40.5	41	
313	HOUSTON	50	48	
314	TENNESSEE	-3	-2	
315	SEATTLE	-6	-6	
316	CAROLINA	48	46	
317	DENVER	46	43	
318	KANSAS CITY	-9.5	-9	
319	MIAMI	46.5	45	
320	N.Y. GIANTS	-3.5	-1	
321	BUFFALO	36.5	36	
322	PITTSBURGH	-2	-2	
323	JACKSONVILLE	45.5	45	
324	OAKLAND	-6.5	-7	
325	CLEVELAND	-2.5	-4	
326	ARIZONA	48	46	
327	ATLANTA	47	48	
328	SAN FRANCISCO	-11	-8	
329	L.A. RAMS	-1	-1	
330	DALLAS	49	47	
331	MINNESOTA	-2.5	-1	
332	L.A. CHARGERS	44.5	45	
Monday, December 16th		Line	BP	All Times Eastern
333	INDIANAPOLIS	46	49	
334	NEW ORLEANS	-9	-11	

2018-2019 Head Coaching Changes So Far

School	Former Coach	Replacement	Grade
Appalachian St	Elijah Drinkwitz	?	
Arkansas	Chad Morris	Sam Pittman	B
Boston College	Steve Addazio	?	
Colorado State	Mike Bobo	?	
Florida Atlantic	Lane Kiffin	?	
Florida State	Willie Taggart	Mike Norvell	B+
Fresno State	Jeff Tedford	?	
Memphis	Mike Norvell	?	
Mississippi	Matt Luke	Lane Kiffin	A-
Missouri	Barry Odom	Eli Drinkwitz	B
New Mexico	Bob Davie	?	
Old Dominion	Bobby Wilder	Ricky Rahne	B
Rutgers	Chris Ash	Greg Schiano	B+
UNLV	Tony Sanchez	Marcus Arroyo	B+
USF	Charlie Strong	Jeff Scott	B
UTSA	Frank Wilson	Jeff Traylor	B
Washington	Chris Petersen	Jimmy Lake	B+

College Bowl Issues Special Note:

Please be aware that there will be no single bowl issue covering all 39 bowl games. Next week's issue (sent Dec. 18) will only cover the bowl games played from December 20-27 (17 Bowls). The following issue (sent Dec. 25) will cover the bowl games played from December 28-Jan 1 (17 Bowls). Then the final bowl issue (sent Jan. 1) will cover the bowl games played from January 2-6 (5 bowls).

Army vs Navy • December 14th • 3:00PM • CBS • Philadelphia, PA

Army/Navy Facts

-This is the 120th all-time meeting dating back to 1890 (Navy leads the series 60-52-7).
 -Prior to the last three years (all Army wins), Navy had beat Army 14 straight times, a record for either team as the previous high was just 5 (by both).
 -Last year Army was favored in the series for the first time since 2001 and were in their biggest favorite role since 1991.
 -The UNDER has cashed in 13 straight meetings.

Army/Navy L/14 Meetings from Army's Perspective

Year	Opponent	W/L	Line	Score	Total	Year	Opponent	W/L	Line	Score	Total
2018	Navy	P	-7	17-10	u39	2011	Navy	W	+7	21-27	u55.5
2017	Navy	W	+2	14-13	u43.5	2010	Navy	L	+7.5	17-31	u53
2016	Navy	W	+4.5	21-17	u47.5	2009	Navy	W	+15.5	3-17	u41.5
2015	Navy	W	+21.5	17-21	u50.5	2008	Navy	L	+11	0-34	u43
2014	Navy	W	+15	10-17	u56	2007	Navy	L	+14	3-38	u64.5
2013	Navy	L	+14	7-34	u52	2006	Navy	W	+19.5	14-26	u49
2012	Navy	W	+6.5	13-17	u55.5	2005	Navy	L	+5.5	23-42	o50.5

2019 Army (SU 5-7, ATS: 5-7, O/U: 5-7)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L	O/U
8/30	Rice (Fri)	-23'	14-7	L	u47'
9/7	at Michigan-2OT	+22'	21-24	W	u48
9/14	at UTSA	-17	31-13	W	u45
9/21	Morgan St	-45	52-21	L	o55'
9/28					
10/5	Tulane	+2	33-42	L	o42'
10/12	at WKU	-5	8-17	L	u43'
10/19	at Georgia St	-4	21-28	L	u54'
10/26	San Jose St	-9'	29-34	L	o54
11/2	at Air Force	+16'	13-17	W	u45
11/9	Massachusetts	-34'	63-7	W	o60'
11/16	VMI	-36	47-6	W	u65
11/23					
11/30	at Hawaii	+2'	31-52	L	o55
12/14	† Navy (Philadelphia)				

2019 Navy (SU: 9-2, ATS: 8-3, O/U: 7-4)

Date	Opponent	Line	Score	W/L	O/U
8/31	Holy Cross	-24	45-7	W	u53'
9/7					
9/14	East Carolina	-7'	42-10	W	u54
9/21					
9/26	at Memphis (Thu)	+11	23-35	L	o54
10/5	Air Force	+3	34-25	W	o46'
10/12	at Tulsa	-1	45-17	W	u53'
10/19	USF	-15'	35-3	W	u51'
10/26	Tulane	-4	41-38	L	o58
11/1	at Conn (Fri)	-26'	56-10	W	o54'
11/9					
11/16	at Notre Dame	+7'	20-52	L	o55'
11/23	SMU	-3'	35-28	W	u68'
11/30	at Houston	-9	56-41	W	o57'
12/14	† Army (Philadelphia)				

2019 Season Stats	Army	Navy
Offensive PPG	30.3	39.2
Defensive PPG	22.3	24.2
PPG Difference	+7.9	+15.1
Rushing Off YPG	311.7	360.8
Rushing Off YPC	5.4	6.0
Passing Off YPG	86.8	103.6
Yds Per Att	8.7	12.1
Yds Per Catch	18.6	23.7
Off Comp %	46.7%	51.1%
TD/Int Ratio	6/6	8/4
Total Offense	398.4	464.4
Rushing Def YPG	144.1	109.7
Rushing Def YPC	4.2	3.4
Passing Def YPG	193.8	232.6
Yds Per Att	7.2	7.9
Yds Per Catch	11.5	14.1
Def Comp %	62.2%	56.0%
TD/Int Ratio	15/7	19/11
Total Defense	337.8	342.4
Kick Returns	18.7	16.9
Punt Returns	2.3	6.2
Kick Return Def	20.5	22.9
Punt Return Def	3.8	3.2
Net Punt	41.9	42.3
FG's	4-7	9-12
Sacks vs	12	15
Sacks by	20	25
TO Margin	+1	+3

† Navy 24 Army 16 @Philadelphia, PA. Army has taken each of the last three meetings all by 7 points or less but prior to those, Navy had claimed a series record 14 straight wins in one of the greatest rivalries and traditions in all of college football. Navy has been favored in 17 of the last 18 meetings but last year found themselves an underdog in the rivalry for the first time since 2001. Fresh off back-to-back double-digit win seasons, the Black Knights' season win total was 9.5 and there was talk of a possible major bowl bid. In week 2, they nearly pulled the shocker in "The Big House" vs Michigan as 3-TD underdogs and after a 3-1 start, those lofty preseason expectations looked warranted. However, the roof caved in as Army would lose their next 5 games (3 outright as a favorite). They seemed to turn their season around with a close loss to Air Force, but their bowl dreams went up in smoke at Hawaii two weeks ago. QB injuries have been the biggest concern (top 2 got hurt during Hawaii game) but it does look like Kelvin Hopkins will play here. As much as Army has underachieved, Navy has overachieved this season as the Midshipmen fresh off their worst season in nearly two decades, saw their season win total at 5.5. The Middies have exceeded those expectations and then some as they are looking for their 5th double-digit win season in school history with a win here. Head coach Ken Niumatalolo shook up his staff and the improvements have come across the board including a defense allowing 9 ppg and 84 ypg less. Since Army head coach Jeff Monken was hired, all 5 of these games have been decided by 7 points or less but he'll be hard-pressed this year. Totals' players note that the UNDER has cashed in 13 straight Army/Navy games by an average of 15 points per game. However, the market in our opinion has finally caught up to this UNDER trend as this year's total of 40.5 is the 2nd lowest total in the series in the last 17 years. It's also well UNDER the two teams' scoring averages for the season.

Bowl Stat Team-By-Team Comparison

	YARDS PER GAME						POINTS PER GAME						YARDS PER PLAY				SACKS			
	Diff	rnk	OFF	rnk	D	rnk	Diff	rnk	OFF	rnk	D	rnk	Diff	rnk	OFF	D	Diff	rnk	by	versus
Buffalo	104.3	#19	397.4	73	293.1	7	9.2	#29	31.5	47	22.3	33	0.6	#45	5.46	4.85	30	#2	38	8
Charlotte	33.8	#59	423	52	389.2	67	-0.9	#78	31.6	45	32.5	105	0.3	#64	6.4	6.14	20	#9	36	16
Kent State	-77.2	#110	393.6	78	470.8	120	-3.7	#95	27.4	76	31.1	91	-0.6	#99	5.75	6.31	-18	#124	21	39
Utah State	-6.3	#77	425.1	50	431.4	96	-0.7	#76	28.3	68	29	76	0.2	#66	5.76	5.55	3	#65	22	19
Central Michigan	93.9	#24	445.6	28	351.7	38	5.1	#52	31.9	44	26.8	62	0.9	#29	6.15	5.3	11	#29	29	18
San Diego State	40.6	#54	329.3	115	288.7	5	6.2	#45	19	119	12.8	4	0.0	#79	4.61	4.64	8	#44	28	20
Liberty	20.0	#68	442.5	34	422.5	88	4.6	#53	33.7	31	29.1	77	0.6	#42	6.52	5.89	5	#56	32	27
Georgia Southern	-43.0	#96	334.3	111	377.3	53	0.6	#67	29.2	64	28.6	72	-0.4	#91	5.31	5.67	0	#76	24	24
SMU	56.6	#44	495.3	9	438.7	102	11.7	#25	43	6	31.3	93	0.5	#49	6.24	5.72	33	#1	50	17
Florida Atlantic	72.7	#28	443	33	370.3	48	12.9	#23	35.2	16	22.3	33	0.6	#47	5.94	5.38	7	#48	34	27
Florida International	-8.3	#79	371.5	97	379.8	57	-0.2	#73	26.5	84	26.7	61	-0.1	#81	5.55	5.63	4	#60	18	14
Arkansas State	-49.0	#98	432.2	44	481.2	127	-1.1	#81	33.7	31	34.8	115	0.1	#73	6.2	6.12	-12	#108	25	37
Washington	39.9	#55	395.4	75	355.5	39	11.1	#26	31.5	47	20.4	23	0.8	#35	5.9	5.15	10	#34	29	19
Boise State	94.8	#23	441.5	38	346.7	35	16.2	#16	36.8	14	20.6	24	0.9	#27	6.15	5.23	10	#34	37	27
UAB	58.8	#42	352.9	105	294.1	9	2.8	#59	23.6	100	20.8	25	0.9	#26	5.53	4.59	24	#5	43	19
Appalachian State	99.6	#20	435.5	42	335.9	26	19.2	#9	39.4	9	20.2	22	1.3	#19	6.26	5	13	#24	30	17
Marshall	34.2	#58	396.5	74	362.3	44	2.7	#60	25.8	88	23.1	40	0.5	#50	5.82	5.35	11	#29	34	23
UCF	191.8	#6	536.6	4	344.8	34	20.2	#6	43	6	22.8	39	2.3	#7	6.86	4.52	8	#44	31	23
BYU	53.6	#46	438.7	40	385.1	62	3.6	#56	28	71	24.4	47	0.7	#39	6.18	5.5	-16	#117	12	28
Hawai'i	43.2	#49	469.3	13	426.1	91	1.9	#64	33.6	33	31.7	97	0.4	#55	6.69	6.29	-6	#89	16	22
Miami (Florida)	71.3	#32	378.9	90	307.6	13	7.0	#41	27.8	73	20.8	25	1.1	#22	5.81	4.73	-4	#84	43	47
Louisiana Tech	54.9	#45	445.2	30	390.3	69	10.3	#28	34	27	23.7	44	0.9	#30	6.18	5.33	-6	#89	20	26
Pittsburgh	71.6	#31	374.1	95	302.5	11	-1.7	#84	20.1	115	21.8	31	0.6	#43	5.07	4.44	22	#7	49	27
Eastern Michigan	-25.5	#84	402.8	66	428.3	92	-1.2	#82	29.1	65	30.3	85	0.1	#74	6.07	6.02	-1	#77	20	21
North Carolina	87.4	#26	469	14	381.6	60	6.7	#42	31.3	49	24.6	51	0.8	#31	6.37	5.54	-9	#100	28	37
Temple	37.2	#57	402	69	364.8	47	3.9	#55	27.4	76	23.5	42	0.7	#37	5.45	4.75	21	#8	39	18
Michigan State	42.3	#51	361.5	101	319.2	18	-0.7	#75	22	107	22.7	37	0.1	#72	5.09	4.95	19	#12	36	17
Wake Forest	63.6	#36	473.4	12	409.8	79	3.5	#57	32.8	39	29.3	79	0.0	#77	5.77	5.74	11	#29	30	19
Oklahoma State	45.8	#48	463.9	17	418.1	86	6.4	#44	33.4	34	27	63	0.7	#41	6.44	5.79	5	#56	27	22
Texas A&M	58.0	#43	398.8	71	340.8	31	7.3	#38	30	62	22.7	37	0.6	#46	5.83	5.22	-8	#93	25	33
USC	47.0	#47	462.2	19	415.2	83	5.4	#51	33.2	36	27.8	66	0.9	#28	6.61	5.74	9	#41	33	24
Iowa	65.5	#35	369.8	98	304.3	12	10.6	#27	23.8	99	13.2	5	0.8	#32	5.54	4.75	8	#44	29	21
Washington State	60.0	#41	516.8	6	456.8	113	7.8	#36	39.2	11	31.4	95	0.3	#60	7.13	6.81	5	#56	23	18
Air Force	107.7	#17	423.5	51	315.8	16	14.5	#21	34.3	22	19.8	19	0.9	#25	6.35	5.4	20	#9	24	4
Iowa State	96.5	#22	458.7	21	362.2	43	8.8	#31	34.1	26	25.3	52	1.4	#17	6.58	5.23	13	#24	27	14
Notre Dame	104.9	#18	429.2	47	324.3	21	18.4	#15	37.1	13	18.7	14	1.6	#14	6.25	4.68	15	#20	30	15
Memphis	108.4	#16	480.7	10	372.3	50	16.1	#17	40.5	8	24.4	47	1.7	#10	6.9	5.23	11	#29	32	21
Penn State	72.0	#30	402.2	67	330.2	23	20.2	#8	34.3	22	14.1	7	1.3	#18	5.94	4.67	11	#29	39	28
Oklahoma	223.6	#3	554.2	2	330.6	24	18.7	#11	43.2	5	24.5	49	2.9	#4	8.15	5.29	14	#22	35	21
LSU	213.0	#4	554.3	1	341.3	32	26.6	#4	47.8	3	21.2	27	2.8	#5	7.79	5.04	4	#60	33	29
Clemson	303.0	#1	547.7	3	244.7	1	35.9	#2	46.5	4	10.6	1	3.6	#1	7.51	3.96	25	#4	38	13
Ohio State	283.4	#2	531	5	247.6	2	36.2	#1	48.7	1	12.5	2	3.1	#2	7.02	3.93	20	#9	51	31
Western Michigan	42.7	#50	457.3	22	414.6	82	8.0	#33	34.2	25	26.2	57	0.6	#44	6.46	5.84	17	#14	34	17
Western Kentucky	42.2	#52	380	88	337.8	29	5.5	#50	25.6	90	20.1	21	0.3	#63	5.56	5.28	7	#48	25	18
Illinois	-90.2	#116	319.4	119	409.6	78	1.9	#65	27.3	78	25.4	53	-0.7	#102	4.91	5.58	-15	#114	22	37
California	-62.5	#104	323	117	385.5	63	-2.0	#87	20.1	115	22.1	32	-0.3	#87	5.01	5.33	-9	#100	34	43
Virginia	31.8	#60	390	82	358.2	40	5.9	#49	32.4	42	26.5	59	0.0	#76	5.63	5.59	7	#48	45	38
Florida	121.7	#12	420.7	54	299	10	18.6	#13	33	37	14.4	8	1.6	#13	6.37	4.8	22	#6	46	24
Mississippi State	13.0	#69	402.9	65	389.9	68	-0.5	#74	27.6	75	28.1	68	0.0	#78	6.18	6.2	-5	#86	22	27
Louisville	-4.0	#75	442.1	36	446.1	97	-1.1	#80	32.7	40	33.8	111	0.3	#65	6.62	6.37	-13	#109	23	36
Florida State	-32.8	#89	403.2	64	436	99	0.6	#66	29.1	65	28.5	71	0.5	#51	5.84	5.37	-15	#114	29	44
Arizona State	-7.3	#78	379.6	89	386.9	65	2.1	#62	25.2	94	23.1	40	0.4	#56	5.86	5.48	-8	#93	22	30
Kansas State	10.7	#70	374.7	92	364	45	9.2	#30	30.7	54	21.5	28	-0.5	#94	5.62	6.13	-1	#77	21	22
Navy	122.0	#11	464.4	16	342.4	33	15.1	#20	39.3	10	24.2	46	1.2	#20	6.74	5.51	10	#34	25	15
Georgia State	-2.9	#74	446.9	27	449.8	110	-3.7	#93	32.4	42	36.1	120	-0.8	#108	5.85	6.64	1	#72	20	19
Wyoming	-28.0	#86	336.5	110	364.5	46	6.5	#43	24.3	96	17.8	11	0.3	#58	5.33	4.99	10	#34	31	21
Texas	21.9	#67	468.2	15	446.3	108	6.1	#46	35	18	28.9	74	0.0	#75	6.28	6.24	-11	#103	22	33
Utah	186.3	#7	442.5	34	256.2	3	20.8	#5	34	27	13.2	5	2.4	#6	6.75	4.4	9	#41	30	21
Kentucky	69.9	#34	391.5	80	321.6	19	7.9	#35	26.3	85	18.4	12	1.0	#24	6.17	5.21	16	#17	32	16
Virginia Tech	29.9	#61	389.8	83	359.9	42	7.2	#40	30.9	52	23.7	44	0.5	#52	5.65	5.2	9	#41	37	28
Michigan	109.3	#15	402.1	68	292.8	6	13.5	#22	33	37	19.5	18	1.4	#16	5.85	4.44	14	#22	36	22
Alabama	194.8	#5	513.3	7	318.5	17	29.5	#3	48.3	2	18.8	15	3.0	#3	7.83	4.8	17	#14	29	12
Minnesota	114.0	#14	426.8	49	312.8	15	11.9	#24	34.3	22	22.4	36	1.2	#21	6.34	5.11	-4	#83	26	30
Auburn	97.2	#21	421.1	53	323.9	20	15.4	#19	34	27	18.6	13	1.0	#23	5.65	4.68	12	#26	28	16
Wisconsin	148.3	#8	441.8	37	293.5	8	18.5	#14	34.6	21	16.1	10	1.6	#11	6.45	4.84	29	#3	49	20
Oregon	121.1	#13	450.7	26	329.6	22	20.2	#7	35.9	15	15.7	9	1.7	#9	6.47	4.76	18	#13	41	23
Baylor	72.3	#29	431.2	45	358.9	41	15.9	#18	35.2	16	19.3	16	1.6	#12	6.44	4.85	8	#44	43	35
Georgia	136.0	#9	410.2	60	274.2	4	18.7	#12	31.2	50	12.5	2	1.8	#8	6.13	4.34	16	#17	28	12
Boston College	-29.0	#87	451.3	25	480.3	125	-0.8	#77	30.9	52	31.7	97	-0.6	#97	5.91	6.46	5	#56	16	11
Cincinnati	8.4	#72	385	86	376.6	52	7.3	#39	29	67	21.7	29	0.3	#57	5.55	5.21	-3	#82	29	32
Tennessee	27.7	#63	364.8	100	337.1	28	2.6	#61	24.3	96	21.7	29	0.8	#33	5.82	5.04	10	#34	30	20
Indiana	93.2	#25	443.6	31	350.4	37	8.1	#32	32.6	41	24.5	49								

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

THE POWERS' PACK

3★ Atlanta (+11) over SAN FRANCISCO
2★ New England (-9.5) over CINCINNATI
2★ Miami (+3.5) over N.Y. GIANTS

Games in Rotation Order

HOME TEAM IN CAPS

Thursday, December 12th

BALTIMORE 29 N.Y. Jets 16. How much motivation will Baltimore have to get margin here? QB Lamar Jackson is dealing with a quad injury but will play here as the Ravens have won 9 straight games. They have a firm grasp on the No. 1 seed in the AFC now. On the other side, the Jets have won 4 of 5. Note that 11-point or more favorites on Thursdays are 21-0 SU (+19.4 ppg) and 16-4-1 ATS (+6.4 ppg). The theory is that will half the time to prep for the game, it's all about the "Jimmy's and the Joe's" instead of the "X's and O's".

Sunday, December 15th

Tampa Bay 25 DETROIT 23. Last week's game vs Indianapolis summarized Tampa Bay QB Jameis Winston in a nut-shell (456 yards and 4 TD's but also 3 INT's including a "Pick 6"). That's now 23 TO's in his last 8 games for him. It did stink that we had Indianapolis +3 on these pages last week vs the Bucs and the Colts blew a 14-point second half lead in a push. Meanwhile, the Lions have now lost 6 straight games but despite their 3-9-1 record, they've led in all but one game. Tampa Bay is just 11-22-1 ATS as a road favorite dating back to the end of the 2000 season.

Philadelphia 22 WASHINGTON 19. Thanks to that second half/OT rally vs the Giants on MNF, the Eagles remain in the playoff picture (current future odds say it's close to 50/50 between them and the Cowboys in winning the NFC East). Still, they're dealing with a ton of injuries on offense including their top 2 WR's, all pro OT Lane Johnson, their best RB and best DB. Meanwhile, VIP customers got a win on Washington last Sunday in their cover as a big dog at Green Bay. They've certainly not quit on interim coach Bill Callahan as they've covered 5 of their last 7 games. We lean with the Redskins here.

GREEN BAY 23 Chicago 20. We think the Packers are overrated. They are -28 ypg on the season and are 5-1 in games decided by 7 points or less. Meanwhile, the Bears are playing their best ball of the season with 3 straight wins. Their offense which topped 300 yards only one time in their first 10 games, has notched 335, 419 and 382 in those last 3 games as QB Trubisky is running more (especially last week vs Dallas). Chicago is 8-2 SU (+5.8 ppg) and 9-1 ATS (+3.5 ppg) the last 2 years vs the NFC North. However, this is another really short spread in a Green Bay home game (see -3.5 hosting Detroit, -5.5 vs Oakland).

2★ New England 27 CINCINNATI 14. Much to the dismay of us on these pages, the Patriots 21-game home winning streak is over after their loss to the Chiefs last week. That's now 2 straight losses for Belichick and Company. Off two straight losses, the Patriots are 10-0 SU (+19.5 ppg) and 8-2 ATS (+14.9 ppg) since 2002. Note that QB Tom Brady posted a 36.7 Total QBR last week which marked Brady's 4th straight game with a QBR under 40, his longest streak since QBR first became available in 2006. Last week the Bengals had a 27-17 first down and 451-333 yard edge vs Cleveland but lost by 8. Cincy is 0-6 in games decided by 7 points or less this year but we don't think this one will be close especially with the Pats motivated due to the "Spy Gate 2" news in the media this week. Some will say you can't lay more than 7 on the road but in the last 5 years, teams laying 7 or more on the road are 44-29-3 ATS (+3.8 ppg, 60%).

TENNESSEE 25 Houston 23. These two teams play each other twice in the final 3 weeks with the division hanging in the balance. Tennessee comes in red-hot with 6 wins in their last 7 games (all with Tannehill at QB) and last week managed 552 yards in their win over the Raiders (most for them since 1991). Meanwhile, Houston is off the embarrassing loss to Denver last week.

Seattle 26 CAROLINA 20. Obviously, we think the Seahawks were exposed last Sunday Night as we easily cashed with the Rams with our top play on these pages. Not only did Seattle lose the game but they also lost RB Penny for the season. That's unfortunate considering they're taking on a Carolina team that has given up a NFL-high 24 rushing TD's this year. Carolina has major motivation question marks after their blowout loss to the Falcons last week. If you don't get a one-game up-tick with an interim, how does that bode well for the rest of the season with new owner David Pepper cleaning house?

KANSAS CITY 26 Denver 17. You have to give it to Denver rookie QB Drew Lock who posted one of the 5 best QBR's (98.6) of the entire season in his first road start last week. The Broncos scored on their first 5 possessions of the game in and easily won as a near double-digit underdog. Meanwhile, the Chiefs are surging especially on defense as they've won 3 straight allowing just 14 ppg in the process. We thought there was some early week value on Denver at +11.5 but not now.

2★ Miami (plus the points) N.Y. GIANTS 23 Miami 22. Obviously, there was a lot of Eli nostalgia in that first half of the Giants game on Monday Night but reality set in after the break as the Giants blew a 14-point lead. Still, there should be some solid support at home for Eli here. However, now they're laying more than a FG against a Miami team that is 7-2 ATS (+4.3 ppg) in their last 9 games. The Dolphins are playing in the same stadium two weeks in a row (lost on the final play to the Jets last week). Miami had 7 FG's! N.Y. Giants head coach Pat Shurmur is 17-45 SU as a head coach. We like the dog.

PITTSBURGH 19 Buffalo 17. No Big Ben, no Antonio Brown, no Le'Veon Bell, no problem for the Steelers who have never had a losing season under Mike Tomlin. This is arguably his best coaching job yet at 8-5. A win here for Buffalo and they're in the playoffs while Pittsburgh would basically be in with a win (90% chance). Note Buffalo has only beat one team with a winning record this year. Totals' players note that these two teams are a combined 20-6 to the UNDER this year. In the last 5 years of the NFL, there's only been three games with totals priced at 36.5 or lower. Two of them have been Buffalo games this year and both went UNDER.

OAKLAND 26 Jacksonville 19. Last game ever in Oakland for the Raiders. Remember, last year in what some thought could be their final game, they beat Denver 27-14 at home as 3-point home underdogs. Yes, they've lost 3 straight games but Oakland is taking on a Jacksonville team that looks like it has waved the white flag on the season. Jacksonville is 0-5 SU (-23.4 ppg) and 0-5 ATS (-20.6 ppg) in their last 5 and all of their ATS margin defeats have come by 14 or more. Lean Oakland.

Cleveland 25 ARIZONA 21. Motivation here for Cleveland QB Baker Mayfield who transferred to Oklahoma after then Texas Tech head coach Kliff Kingsbury wouldn't offer him a scholarship after his freshman season at Tech (Mayfield was Big 12 Freshman of the Year). However, note Kingsbury was going with Patrick Mahomes at QB so how wrong was he? Also Cleveland DC Steve Wilks was fired from the Cardinals last year after only one year as head coach. The Cardinals have lost 6 straight games since a 3-3-1 start to the season and their offense is averaging just 279 ypg in their last 7 (377 ypg first 6 games). Lean Cleveland.

3★ Atlanta (plus the points) SAN FRANCISCO 28 Atlanta 20. After playing Green Bay, Baltimore and New Orleans in the last 3 weeks and with division games vs the Rams and Seattle on deck, isn't this one of the biggest flat spots in the NFL this season for the 49ers? Atlanta's (No. 7 offense) is certainly capable of a back-door here. On top of it, it's a 49ers team that has only been a double-digit favorite twice in the last 6 years (0-2 ATS -7 ppg).

L.A. Rams 24 DALLAS 23. Rematch of last year's NFC Divisional game where the Rams won 30-22. The Cowboys are now 3-7 SU in their last 10 games. A lot of their yards have come in garbage time down big including last week vs Chicago. Note they are 0-5 vs teams with a winning record this season (-8.1 ATS ppg). Meanwhile, the Rams are playing as well as anyone in the NFL right now. A win here and they have a better than 50/50 chance to make the playoffs. We don't see much value. Pass.

Minnesota 23 L.A. CHARGERS 22. The Chargers are one of the best 5-8 teams we've seen as they are +38 points on the season and are +71 ypg. However, they're 2-8 in games decided by 7 points or less. Meanwhile, the Vikings are 41-18-3 ATS (+2.3 ppg) in non-division games under Zimmer. Big coaching mis-match here but Minnesota QB Kirk Cousins is only 33% ATS in his career in non-1:00pm ET start times.

Monday, December 16th

NEW ORLEANS 30 Indianapolis 19. Obviously, we pushed on these pages last week with Indianapolis as they blew a 14-point second half lead vs Tampa Bay. On the other side, the Saints lost a shoot-out to San Francisco in what was arguably the "Game of the Year". San Fran now has the inside track to the Number 1 seed but QB Drew Brees is playing as well as anyone right now. RB Kamara's lost fumble was the first one for the Saints all season. We don't think the Colts can keep pace here especially their defense which has allowed the final 17 points in each of the last 2 games!

Updated NFL Records: Straight Up, ATS and Over/Under

Team	Straight-Up		Against The Spread		Over/Under	
	Total	Home Away	Total	Home Away	Total	Home Away
Arizona	3-9-1	1-5-1	2-4-0	7-5-1	3-4-0	4-1-1
Atlanta	4-9-0	2-5-0	2-4-0	5-8-0	3-4-0	2-4-0
Baltimore	11-2-0	5-1-0	6-1-0	7-5-1	2-4-0	5-1-1
Buffalo	9-4-0	4-3-0	5-1-0	8-4-1	3-4-0	5-0-1
Carolina	5-8-0	2-4-0	3-4-0	6-7-0	2-4-0	4-3-0
Chicago	7-6-0	4-3-0	3-3-0	4-9-0	3-4-0	1-5-0
Cincinnati	1-12-0	1-5-0	0-7-0	5-7-1	1-4-1	4-3-0
Cleveland	6-7-0	4-3-0	2-4-0	5-7-1	3-3-1	2-4-0
Dallas	6-7-0	3-3-0	3-4-0	7-6-0	3-3-0	4-3-0
Denver	5-8-0	3-3-0	2-5-0	8-5-0	4-2-0	4-3-0
Detroit	3-9-1	2-4-0	1-5-1	5-8-0	3-3-0	2-5-0
Green Bay	10-3-0	6-1-0	4-2-0	8-5-0	4-3-0	4-2-0
Houston	8-5-0	5-2-0	3-3-0	6-7-0	2-5-0	4-2-0
Indianapolis	6-7-0	4-3-0	2-4-0	6-5-2	3-4-0	3-1-2
Jacksonville	4-9-0	2-5-0	2-4-0	5-8-0	2-5-0	3-3-0
Kansas City	9-4-0	3-3-0	6-1-0	8-5-0	3-3-0	5-2-0
L.A. Chargers	5-8-0	2-4-0	3-4-0	4-8-1	1-4-1	3-4-0
L.A. Rams	8-5-0	4-3-0	4-2-0	9-4-0	4-3-0	5-1-0
Miami	3-10-0	2-5-0	1-5-0	7-6-0	3-4-0	4-2-0
Minnesota	9-4-0	6-0-0	3-4-0	7-6-0	4-2-0	3-4-0
New England	10-3-0	5-1-0	5-2-0	7-6-0	3-3-0	4-3-0
New Orleans	10-3-0	5-2-0	5-1-0	8-5-0	3-4-0	5-1-0
N.Y. Giants	2-11-0	1-5-0	1-6-0	5-8-0	1-5-0	4-3-0
N.Y. Jets	5-8-0	4-3-0	1-5-0	5-8-0	3-4-0	2-4-0
Oakland	6-7-0	5-2-0	1-5-0	6-7-0	4-3-0	2-4-0
Philadelphia	6-7-0	4-3-0	2-4-0	4-9-0	2-5-0	2-4-0
Philadelphia	8-5-0	5-2-0	3-3-0	7-4-2	4-2-1	3-2-1
San Francisco	11-2-0	5-1-0	6-1-0	8-4-1	3-2-1	5-2-0
Seattle	10-3-0	4-2-0	6-1-0	7-6-0	2-4-0	5-2-0
Tampa Bay	6-7-0	2-4-0	4-3-0	4-8-1	0-5-1	4-3-0
Tennessee	8-5-0	4-2-0	4-3-0	8-5-0	4-2-0	4-3-0
Washington	3-10-0	1-5-0	2-5-0	6-7-0	2-4-0	4-3-0