NORTHCOAST SPORTS' POWER PLAYS

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FIFTEEN BOWL GAMES IN THIS ISSUE!!
BOWL GAME OF THE YEAR STILL AVAILABLE
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2025 COLLEGE STANDINGS

	Ttl Off	Scr Off	Ttl Def	Scr Def	Net Ypg	Avg Scr		SU Conf	SU All	ATS Conf	ATS All	O/U Conf	O/U All
AAC	1	1	64	70	133.9	45-25	North Texas	7-2	11-2	7-2	10-3	7-2	9-4
	40	69	79	61	27.2	28-24	Tulane	8-1	11-3	5-4	7-7	2-7	4-10
	32	40	77	76	38.8	31-26	Navy	8-1	10-2	3-6	4-8	5-4	8-4
	3	7	83	55	102.2	40-23	USF	6-2	9-4	5-2-1	8-4-1	5-3	7-6
	41	28	61	53	52.0	32-23	Memphis	4-4	8-5	4-4	8-5	4-3-1	5-7-1
	14	22	48	28	115.8	34-20	East Carolina	6-2	8-4	4-4	7-5	4-3-1	5-6-1
	115	105	50	45	-25.8	22-22	Army West Point	4-5	6-6	4-5	6-6	2-6-1	3-8-1
	38	21	76	100	31.5	34-30	UTSA	4-4	6-6	4-4	6-6	5-2-1	8-3-1
	101	67	90	101	-52.0	28-30	Temple	3-5	5-7	4-4	7-5	5-3	8-4
	124	119	96	120	-89.8	20-32	Rice	2-6	5-7	3-5	5-7	4-4	7-5
	22	52	131	131	10.4	30-36	Florida Atlantic	3-5	4-8	5-3	7-5	3-5	6-6
	52	77	120	135	-19.9	26-38	UAB	2-6	4-8	3-5	4-8	3-5	6-6
	59	100	91	95	1.1	23-29	Tulsa	1-7	4-8	3-5	6-6	4-4	4-8
	132	133	135	131	-186.2	14-36	Charlotte	0-8	1-11	3-4-1	5-6-1	5-3	6-6
BIG 12	5	2	3	3	225.9	42-11	Texas Tech	9-1	12-1	9-1	11-2	2-8	4-9
	60	33	28	21	69.2	32-19	BYU	8-2	11-2	6-4	9-4	5-5	6-7
	6	5	62	17	118.3	41-19	Utah	7-2	10-2	5-4	8-4	6-3	8-4
	66	63	46	41	42.7	28-22	Houston	6-3	9-3	6-3	8-4	5-4	7-5
	51	27	16	20	103.3	33-19	Arizona	7-3	9-3	6-4	8-4	4-6	4-8
	56	89	42	50	57.7	25-23	Arizona St	6-3	8-4	4-4-1	5-6-1	3-6	4-8
	61	72	56	26	39.0	27-20	Iowa St	5-4	8-4	4-5	5-7	3-6	4-8
	27	42	70	72	48.3	31-25	TCU	5-4	8-4	4-4-1	6-5-1	4-5	6-6
	31	35	102	68	17.9	32-25	Cincinnati	5-4	7-5	4-5	6-6	5-4	7-5
	84	53	82	81	-16.5	29-27	Kansas St	5-5	6-6	5-5	5-7	6-4	7-5
	67	65	85	82	3.3	28-27	Kansas	3-6	5-7	4-5	5-7	3-6	4-8
	21	41	88	122	59.4	31-33	Baylor	3-6	5-7	1-8	2-10	4-5	6-6
	76	92	35	60	43.0	24-24	UCF	2-7	5-7	2-7	4-8	5-4	6-6
	94	109	109	113	-59.3	22-31	West Virginia	2-7	4-8	5-4	7-5	5-4	5-6-1
	112	116	124	111	-97.2	21-31	Colorado	1-8	3-9	3-6	4-7-1	4-5	5-7
	130	134	117	124	-125.8	14-33	Oklahoma St	0-9	1-11	5-4	6-6	4-5	5-7
ACC	37	29	11	6	133.0	32-13	Miami, Fl	6-2	11-2	4-4	8-5	3-5	5-8
	26	31	23	31	113.0	32-21	Virginia	7-3	10-3	6-4	8-5	3-6-1	4-8-1
	13	23	92	71	69.3	33-25	Georgia Tech	6-2	9-3	4-4	7-5	5-2-1	7-4-1
	70	46	15	36	88.5	30-21	Louisville	4-4	8-4	3-5	4-8	4-4	6-6
	65	16	39	69	54.6	35-25	Pittsburgh	6-2	8-4	6-2	8-4	5-2-1	7-3-2
	69	73	26	39	67.2	27-22	Wake Forest	4-4	8-4	5-3	8-4	5-3	7-5
	33	25	86	32	27.8	33-21	SMU	6-2	8-4	5-3	5-7	3-5	5-7
	36	19	108	91	5.8	34-29	Duke	7-2	8-5	6-2-1	6-6-1	5-4	9-4
	98	88	60	78	-11.7	25-27	California	4-4	7-5	3-5	5-7	4-3-1	4-6-2
	63	45	114	83	-22.0	30-27	NC State	5-4	8-5	5-4	7-6	6-3	7-6
	49	59	54	29	51.9	29-20	Clemson	4-4	7-5	4-4	5-7	4-4	4-7-1
	9	24	29	43	143.3	33-22	Florida St	2-6	5-7	2-6	5-7	2-6	5-7
	131	121	37	67	-47.8	19-25	North Carolina	2-6	4-8	3-4-1	5-6-1	4-4	5-6-1
	118	122	107	96	-88.2	19-29	Stanford	3-5	4-8	4-4	5-7	4-4	6-6
	107	118	126	130	-87.6	20-35	Syracuse	1-7	3-9	3-5	4-7-1	3-5	6-6
	97	113	71	106	-29.3	21-30	Virginia Tech	2-6	3-9	3-5	3-9	3-4-1	5-6-1
	71	83	129	123	-49.2	25-33	Boston College	1-7	2-10	3-5	6-6	4-3-1	7-4-1
BIG TEN	8	4	4	2	215.6	42-11	Indiana	10-0	14-0	6-4	8-5	6-4	8-6
	24	17	1	1	216.0	35-8	Ohio St	9-1	12-1	8-2	10-3	3-7	4-9
	11	9	8	10	197.5	39-16	Oregon	8-1	12-1	5-4	8-5	4-5	7-6
	57	71	21	17	86.7	28-19	Michigan	7-2	9-3	3-6	4-8	4-5	6-6
	10	13	47	47	122.8	37-22	USC	7-2	9-3	2-7	4-7-1	4-5	6-6
	42	18	20	19	98.5	34-19	Washington	5-4	9-4	4-5	7-6	3-6	6-7
	83	54	51	54	19.6	29-23	Illinois	5-4	8-4	4-4-1	7-4-1	4-5	5-7
	121	58	7	7	44.6	29-15	Iowa	6-3	8-4	7-2	9-3	4-4-1	5-6-1
	81	55	22	52	60.5	29-23	Nebraska	4-5	7-5	3-6	5-7	7-2	9-3
	128	99	41	56	-45.7	23-23	Minnesota	5-4	7-5	3-6	4-8	5-4	6-5-1
	95	104	34	34	13.9	23-21	Northwestern	4-5	6-6	5-3-1	7-4-1	4-5	5-7
	89	35	33	38	24.8	32-21	Penn St	3-6	6-6	4-5	4-8	7-2	8-3-1
	45	59	128	117	-25.8	29-32	Rutgers	2-7	5-7	4-5	6-6	4-5	7-5
	88	96	98	78	-40.9	24-27	Maryland	1-8	4-8	3-5-1	4-7-1	4-5	5-7
	99	91	72	105	-33.2	25-30	Michigan St	1-8	4-8	6-3	6-6	5-4	7-5
	135	135	27	40	-70.4	13-22	Wisconsin	2-7	4-8	5-4	6-6	0-8-1	2-9-1
	119	125	84	125	-67.2	18-33	UCLA	3-6	3-9	4-4-1	4-7-1	5-4	6-6
	102	123	119	117	-79.9	19-32	Purdue	0-9	2-10	4-5	5-7	3-6	4-8
PAC 2	123	110	17	26	11.2	22-20	Washington St	1-1	7-6	1-1	9-4	0-2	5-8
	93	125	74	99	-30.1	18-29	Oregon St	1-1	2-10	1-1	3-9	0-2	4-8

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	Ttl Off	Scr Off	Ttl Def	Scr Def	Net Ypg	Avg Scr		SU Conf	SU All	ATS Conf	ATS All	O/U Conf	O/U All
SEC	46	33	12	9	122.4	32-16	Georgia	7-1	12-1	5-3	6-7	4-4	4-9
	23	20	19	35	137.2	34-21	Texas A&M	7-1	11-2	4-4	5-8	5-3	8-5
	2	10	40	22	158.2	38-19	Mississippi	7-1	12-1	4-4	7-6	5-3	6-7
	12	8	55	42	112.8	39-22	Vanderbilt	6-2	10-2	6-1-1	9-2-1	5-3	8-4
	90	79	9	8	81.8	26-15	Oklahoma	6-3	10-3	5-4	7-6	3-6	3-10
	75	39	13	13	91.2	31-18	Alabama	7-1	11-3	5-2-1	9-4-1	2-6	5-9
	73	51	36	24	46.8	30-20	Texas	6-2	9-3	3-4-1	4-7-1	4-4	5-7
	25	30	10	23	154.6	32-19	Missouri	4-4	8-4	3-4-1	6-5-1	3-5	6-6
	4	6	89	92	86.5	41-29	Tennessee	4-4	8-4	3-4-1	5-6-1	5-3	8-4
	110	108	25	14	13.0	22-18	LSU	3-5	7-5	3-5	4-8	2-6	3-9
	106	101	66	77	-33.1	23-26	Kentucky	2-6	5-7	4-4	6-6	6-2	8-4
	58	44	106	96	-7.4	31-29	Miss St	1-7	5-7	3-4-1	7-4-1	5-3	6-6
	80	74	30	32	44.8	27-21	Auburn	1-7	5-7	2-6	4-8	3-5	5-7
	105	110	69	63	-35.5	22-24	Florida	2-6	4-8	3-5	5-7	4-4	5-7
	108	103	53	45	-16.7	23-22	South Carolina	1-7	4-8	4-4	6-6	4-4	5-7
	18	25	123	127	29.7	33-34	Arkansas	0-8	2-10	4-4	5-7	5-3	8-4
MW	16	15	122	94	34.6	36-29	UNLV	6-3	10-3	4-5	7-6	4-5	6-7
	104	89	6	5	75.1	25-13	San Diego St	6-2	9-3	6-2	9-3	2-6	3-9
	85	66	49	48	20.2	28-23	New Mexico	6-2	9-3	4-3-1	7-4-1	3-5	5-7
	28	47	38	64	86.9	30-24	Boise St	7-2	9-5	4-4-1	6-7-1	4-5	6-8
	62	62	52	58	42.7	29-24	Hawaii	5-3	8-4	6-2	8-4	3-5	4-8
	92	77	14	25	56.8	26-20	Fresno St	5-3	8-4	3-5	6-6	2-6	5-7
	29	35	121	90	-2.0	32-28	Utah St	4-4	6-7	6-2	10-3	3-5	6-7
	122	131	44	30	-29.6	16-21	Wyoming	2-6	4-8	3-5	5-7	1-7	2-10
	47	48	118	108	-16.6	30-30	Air Force	3-5	4-8	3-5	5-7	5-3	7-5
	35	113	101	121	13.3	21-33	San Jose St	2-6	3-9	2-6	4-8	5-3	7-5
	127	128	63	87	-67.3	18-28	Nevada	2-6	3-9	5-3	6-6	4-4	5-7
	114	124	125	113	-101.8	19-31	Colorado St	1-7	2-10	2-6	4-8	4-4	5-7
SBC (EAST)	20	11	5	15	186.0	37-18	James Madison	9-0	12-2	5-4	9-5	5-4	8-6
	19	32	32	16	123.2	32-19	Old Dominion	6-2	10-3	4-4	8-5	2-5-1	4-8-1
	116	102	133	128	-133.4	23-34	Coastal Carolina	5-3	6-6	5-3	5-7	6-1-1	7-4-1
	55	67	134	129	-64.6	28-34	GA Southern	4-4	6-6	5-3	7-5	3-5	7-5
	50	42	110	107	-5.6	31-30	Marshall	3-5	5-7	4-4	7-5	5-3	6-6
	72	84	116	103	-31.1	25-30	Appalachian St	2-6	5-7	3-5	5-7	5-3	6-6
	78	120	132	133	-72.7	20-38	Georgia St	0-8	1-11	2-6	2-10	4-4	6-6
SBC (WEST)	125	96	65	61	-65.4	24-24	Troy	6-3	8-6	7-2	9-5	4-5	5-9
	53	48	99	85	1.1	30-27	Southern Miss	5-3	7-5	3-5	5-7	4-4	7-5
	74	85	113	84	-30.6	25-27	Arkansas St	5-3	7-6	6-2	9-4	2-6	5-8
	7	14	94	112	77.1	36-31	Texas St	3-5	6-6	2-6	4-8	5-3	7-5
	100	80	111	98	-65.5	26-29	Louisiana	5-3	6-7	5-3	6-7	6-2	8-5
	79	76	75	109	-6.2	27-30	South Alabama	3-5	4-8	3-5	5-7	6-2	8-4
	117	130	81	119	-63.7	17-32	ULM	1-7	3-9	3-5	5-7	3-5	6-6
CUSA	54	75	103	74	-2.1	27-26	Kennesaw St	8-1	10-4	8-1	10-4	5-4	6-8
	48	50	99	56	2.8	30-23	WKU	6-2	8-4	6-2	9-3	4-4	6-6
	44	64	73	73	29.9	28-25	Jax State	7-2	9-5	5-4	7-7	6-3	8-6
	64	81	78	93	9.4	26-29	Missouri St	5-3	7-6	4-4	7-6	3-5	5-8
	86	70	68	37	-11.8	28-21	Louisiana Tech	5-3	7-5	5-3	8-4	5-3	5-7
	43	55	105	89	3.1	29-28	FIU	5-3	7-5	5-3	8-4	4-4	6-6
	39	57	93	116	14.0	29-31	Delaware	4-4	7-6	3-5	5-7-1	4-4	7-6
	68	82	67	78	13.7	26-27	Liberty	3-5	4-8	2-6	3-9	6-2	6-6
	113	110	97	88	-74.2	22-28	New Mexico St	2-6	4-8	4-4	6-6	4-4	5-7
	82	105	95	115	-27.8	22-31	Middle Tennessee	2-6	3-9	5-3	6-6	4-4	6-6
	111	98	87	109	-59.5	23-30	UTEP	1-7	2-10	1-7	3-9	6-2	8-4
	120	127	136	133	-167.4	18-38	Sam Houston St	1-7	2-10	2-6	3-9	5-3	7-5
MAC	103	87	18	11	37.2	25-17	Western Michigan	8-1	10-4	7-2	11-3	4-5	6-8
	34	59	58	51	58.7	29-23	Ohio	6-2	8-4	3-5	6-6	4-4	6-6
	30	38	2	4	174.1	32-12	Toledo	6-2	8-4	6-2	9-3	4-4	6-6
	109	95	59	49	-22.9	24-23	Central Michigan	5-3	7-5	6-2	8-4	4-4	7-5
	96	86	31	43	18.8	25-22	Miami, OH	6-3	7-6	6-3	8-5	5-4	7-6
	87	94	45	58	14.4	24-24	Buffalo	4-4	5-7	2-6	5-7	6-2	7-5
	129	115	127	126	-133.9	21-34	Kent St	4-4	5-7	5-3	7-5	4-4	6-6
	91	107	80	85	-30.6	22-27	Akron	4-4	5-7	4-4	6-6	4-4	7-5
	134	132	104	103	-134.0	16-30	Ball St	3-5	4-8	3-5	6-6	3-5	5-7
	77	93	115	102	-37.2	24-30	Eastern Michigan	3-5	4-8	5-3	6-6	3-5	6-6
	126	117	43	65	-36.8	21-24	Bowling Green	2-6	4-8	2-6	6-6	3-5	5-7
	133	129	57	66	-73.2	17-24	Northern Illinois	2-6	3-9	2-6	3-9	6-2	6-6
	136	136	130	136	-186.3	11-39	UMass	0-8	0-12	2-6	3-9	6-2	9-3
IND	17	3	24	12	145.0	42-18	Notre Dame	0-0	10-2	0-0	7-4-1	0-0	7-5
	15	12	112	75	46.9	37-26	Connecticut	0-0	9-3	0-0	6-5-1	0-0	8-4

Monday games are not in*cluded above.*

BOWL GAME OF THE YEAR

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NFL PLAYOFF EXEC 32-19-1 (63%) LAST 9 YEARS

Package Includes: EVERY Playoff Side & EVERY Playoff Total. Will include the **NFL PLAYOFF GAME OF THE YEAR** as well as the Super Bowl Props.

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COLLEGE BOWL EXEC (ALL SIDES & TOTALS)

Package Includes: All 31 Bowl Sides ($620 value individually), All 31 Bowl Totals ($465 value individually) and of course the **BOWL GAME OF THE YEAR** (will be $100 on ncsports.com)

Reg Price: $599 This Week: $529

2025 Subs: $459 2026 Subs: $399

THE MOST UNIQUE POWER RATINGS IN THE COUNTRY

These Power Play Forecasts are the most unique in the country because they are based on **Northcoast Sports' Private Power Ratings**. Our ratings are unlike any computer rating, as we take into account all of the following: Strength of Opponents Individual Units (Rushing Offense and Defense, Passing Offense, & Defense, Scoring Offense and Defense, Garbage Yards, Weather, Injuries, Home Field Edge, and Successful Unbalanced Attacks). Here is how each is reflected:

Strength of Opponent: Our ratings do not just take the opposing team's overall power rating into account. For example, Team A's defense vs the rush was rated at 119. They faced Team B and allowed "just" 256 yds rushing and **dropped 5 spots** in the national overall defensive ratings. However, Power Plays took into account their potent Opponents run attack and had forecasted the Team A yielding 289 yds. Due to the fact they did better than the forecast, Power Plays raised their rating to 112 even though they slipped in the national (straight yardage) rankings. Next time an announcer on TV tells you that a certain team is #3 in the country vs the run **you better check Northcoast Sports' Power Ratings and see how good a rush defense they really have!** The top twenty ratings in Power Ratings for each offensive and defensive category will be listed in each week's issue of Power Plays.

Garbage yards: These are yards that a team gains or allows in the final minutes of a game when it has been decided. For example, Team A is ahead 63-0 and allows 93 yards passing for a TD vs its fourth string defense. These yards are **counted** into national ratings, **but not in Northcoast Sports' Power Ratings**!

Weather: If a game is played in miserable weather conditions and is low scoring, the straight statistics credit the defense with outstanding performances. Our Power Ratings reflect the conditions and do not give excess credit to the defenses.

Injuries: When Missouri played Vanderbilt in '13, Tigers QB James Franklin was injured early in the game. His backup, who had seen very little action (rFr), was not prepared and hit on 30%, 9-30 passes. The offensive coordinator simplified the offense. In the national statistics Vanderbilt's overall defense MOVED UP 8 NOTCHES. In the Power Ratings they **went from #11 dropping out of the Top 15**, as the poor performance WAS NOT reflective of an outstanding performance by the defense.

Home Field Edges: The weekly projection of yards and points is weighted with the home field factored in.

Successful Unbalanced Attacks: A few Seasons ago, Tulsa was held to 155 yards passing vs Houston. This dropped Tulsa in the national passing offense ratings & RAISED the Cougars in the pass defense ratings. In our ratings the two units **remained** rated around the same. Why? Tulsa rushed for 350 yards & DID NOT HAVE TO RELY ON THE PASS & when they did they hit 18 of 32. While Houston's pass defense looked good in the national ratings, only Northcoast Sports' Power Ratings reflected the TRUTH!

There you have it. More than just numbers, THESE RATINGS REFLECT the true strength of each unit and allow them to have **the most accurate forecast of yards gained and points allowed in the country! No other rating system takes into account all the previous factors.** Next time you hear that a team is rated third in the country in pass defense, just remember, yards are not everything and Northcoast Sports' Power Plays will show you how strong the team really is.

NORTHCOAST SPORTS PLUS OR MINUS POWER RATINGS

The Power Ratings listed below are not based on the Power Plays, they are based on last year's final computer power rating numbers with the pluses and minuses from the off season changes factored in. They are then adjusted during the course of the season based on the final score of the games that are played on a weekly basis. The Power Ratings listed below can be used for you as a base power ratings to forecast up coming lines and strength of opponents, etc. Once again, they are not based on Power Plays and **they differ from what we have shown in recent years**, which has been our actual computer Power Ratings. These are Northcoast Sports Plus or Minus Power Ratings.

SEC

	Start	Current
Vanderbilt	133	139
Texas	135	136
Georgia	136	136
Alabama	142	136
Oklahoma	130	135
Texas A&M	131	134
Mississippi	131	134
Missouri	125	130
Auburn	128	129
Tennessee	131	128
South Carolina	127	126
LSU	135	124
Florida	139	123
Arkansas	127	121
Mississippi St	120	119
Kentucky	117	117

BIG TEN

	Start	Current
Indiana	137	150
Ohio St	144	149
Oregon	134	144
Penn St	144	136
Washington	130	136
USC	129	136
Iowa	129	135
Michigan	140	130
Illinois	132	124
Wisconsin	126	123
Minnesota	124	123
Nebraska	131	121
Northwestern	117	121
Rutgers	127	119
Michigan St	117	118
UCLA	123	113
Maryland	114	112
Purdue	102	107

BIG 12

	Start	Current
Texas Tech	126	147
Utah	124	136
BYU	126	133
Arizona	117	131
TCU	130	126
Iowa St	130	125
Kansas St	125	124
Arizona St	140	123
Houston	121	119
Cincinnati	123	118
Kansas	121	116
Baylor	132	116
West Virginia	115	111
UCF	108	111
Colorado	123	110
Oklahoma St	107	105

PAC-2

	Start	Current
Washington St	101	117
Oregon St	110	96

ACC

	Start	Current
Miami, Fl	124	138
Clemson	137	131
SMU	127	129
Pittsburgh	119	124
Virginia	118	124
Louisville	129	123
Georgia Tech	125	122
Duke	121	121
NC State	119	121
Florida St	117	116
Wake Forest	110	116
California	110	115
Stanford	109	115
Boston College	123	113
Virginia Tech	121	110
North Carolina	113	108
Syracuse	120	101

AAC

	Start	Current
USF	115	128
North Texas	110	121
East Carolina	107	118
Tulane	113	117
Navy	121	117
Memphis	115	114
UTSA	117	113
Army	115	109
Temple	95	100
FAU	98	99
Tulsa	86	98
UAB	95	98
Rice	103	93
Charlotte	92	89

MOUNTAIN WEST

	Start	Current
UNLV	105	118
Boise St	122	115
New Mexico	104	114
San Diego St	103	113
Hawaii	111	113
Fresno St	105	110
Utah St	102	110
Air Force	115	107
Wyoming	112	99
Nevada	102	99
San Jose St	116	96
Colorado St	103	92

CUSA

	Start	Current
FIU	97	107
WKU	103	105
Jacksonville St	104	104
Louisiana Tech	106	103
Kennesaw St	95	102
Liberty	107	98
Missouri St	92	98
New Mexico St	97	96
Delaware	94	96
Middle Tenn	95	94
UTEP	99	89
Sam Houston	97	83

MAC

	Start	Current
Toledo	107	116
Western Michigan	96	110
Miami, Oh	110	107
Ohio	116	106
Central Michigan	95	102
Akron	101	99
Eastern Michigan	94	98
Buffalo	113	97
Northern Illinois	102	96
Kent St	87	96
Bowling Green	100	92
Ball St	94	89
UMass	91	71

SUN BELT

	Start	Current
James Madison	114	129
Old Dominion	114	119
Texas St	109	110
Troy	112	105
Arkansas St	103	105
Louisiana	108	103
Georgia Southern	111	103
South Alabama	111	100
Southern Miss	95	100
Appalachian St	108	100
Marshall	102	99
Coastal Carolina	107	98
Georgia St	102	94
ULM	105	93

INDEPENDENT

	Start	Current
Notre Dame	145	145
Connecticut	109	112

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GAMEABOVE SPORTS BOWL

Friday, December 26th, 2025 • 1:00 pm
ESPN • Ford Field • Detroit, MI

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

CMICH		NW
109	RUSH YD	210
142	PASS YD	209
16	PTS	27
+8	YTD TO	-4
#119	SKED	#50

CHECKLIST

CMICH EDGE		NW EDGE
–	QB	1/2
–	RB	✔
–	WR	✔
–	OL	1/2
–	DL	–
–	LB	1/2
1/2	DB	–
–	CCH	1/2
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	1/2
–	ST	✔
–	SKED	✔✔✔1/2

OVERALL
NW
BY 8.5 ✔'s

Central Michigan (7-5)
ATS: 8-4 O/U: 7-5

CHIPPEWAS +1.2 ppg / -22.9 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #113 • NCAA #107)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**511**	**2308**	**274**	**2034**	**17**	**4.0**
Nahree Biggins	12	105	566	26	540	2	5.1
Angel Flores	8	103	542	23	519	8	5.0
Trey Cornist	12	94	430	26	404	1	4.3
Brock Townsend	12	75	404	10	394	4	5.3

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**155**	**229**	**67.7**	**1994**	**15**	**6**
Joe Labas	12	126	183	68.9	1676	12	6
Angel Flores	8	19	27	70.4	195	2	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**155**	**1994**	**12.9**	**15**	**77**
Langston Lewis	12	35	513	14.7	3	77
Tommy McIntosh	12	27	401	14.9	3	47
Tyson Davis	12	20	270	13.5	2	36
Nahree Biggins	12	19	185	9.7	1	88
Brock Townsend	12	12	142	11.8	3	51
DeCorion Temple	12	15	131	8.7	2	19

DEFENSE (NC #97 • NCAA #59)

OFF YPG	335.7	DEF YPG	358.6
OFF PPG	23.8	DEF PPG	22.7
OFF RUSH	169.5	DEF RUSH	151.4
OFF PASS	166.2	Pass DEF	207.2
SKS VS	19	SKS BY	26

	OFF	DEF
KR	19.3	20.4
PR	9.1	11.2
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	37.4	40.7
FG's	14-16 (long 47)	
ST Rank	121	

Northwestern (6-6)
ATS: 7-4-1 O/U: 5-7

WILDCATS +1.6 ppg / +13.9 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #95 • NCAA #93)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**424**	**2229**	**224**	**2005**	**15**	**4.7**
Caleb Komolafe	11	173	901	15	886	10	5.1
Joseph Himon	11	99	511	25	486	1	4.9
Dashun Reeder	7	22	222	0	222	1	10.1
Cam Porter	2	18	140	3	137	1	7.6
Robby Preckel	11	34	138	7	131	0	3.9

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**204**	**343**	**59.5**	**2181**	**14**	**12**
Preston Stone	12	203	339	59.9	2174	14	12
Ryan Boe	6	1	3	33.3	7	0	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**204**	**2181**	**10.7**	**14**	**70**
Griffin Wilde	12	61	783	12.8	6	49
Hayden Eilgon	11	34	476	14.0	3	38
Hunter Welcing	12	27	283	10.5	2	36
Dave Wagner	10	22	172	7.8	2	40
Ricky Ahumaraeze	12	9	165	18.3	0	32

DEFENSE (NC #44 • NCAA #34)

OFF YPG	348.8	DEF YPG	334.9
OFF PPG	22.5	DEF PPG	20.9
OFF RUSH	167.1	DEF RUSH	140.1
OFF PASS	181.8	Pass DEF	194.8
SKS VS	15	SKS BY	18

	OFF	DEF
KR	20.6	22.6
PR	1.8	5.0
ST TD diff	-2	
Net Punt	39.9	38.7
FG's	22.24 (long 41)	
ST Rank	93	

The only recent meeting was in 2010, NW won 30-25 (-6'). This game is played in Detroit and is formerly known as the Quick Lane Bowl. This is CMich's first bowl since '21 when they upset Wash St in the Sun Bowl. They had lost 5 straight bowls prior to that. David Braun led NW to a Las Vegas Bowl win over Utah in '23.

CMich had low expectations in Matt Drinkall's first year. They upset San Jose St in the opener and were 3-2. They went 5-3 SU/6-2 ATS in MAC play. Overall they finished 7-5 but were -23 ypg thanks to blowout losses to Pitt and Michigan. QB Labas hits 69% and a 12-6 ratio. Backup QB Angel Flores was used as a runner (519, 5.0) but was injured and missed the last four games. CMich puts up 43 ypg less than their foes allow on avg. The secondary is the strength of the defense, coming in at #48 in our pass efficiency D rankings (58%, 16-12).

David Braun did a great job in his first ssn at NW, getting the 'Cats to a bowl game. Last year they dipped to 4-8. We felt Braun would get them back to a bowl and they started 5-2 including an upset win over Penn St and the losses were to playoff teams Tulane and Oregon. They lost 3 straight then outgained Minn 525-323 and won to get bowl eligible. They were w/o their top 4 rushers vs Illinois and lost to finish 6-6. Braun is confident RB's Komolafe (886, 5.1) and Himon (486, 4.9) will be play. QB Stone only has a 14-12 ratio but has played a tough sked. Their D holds foes 30 ypg below their avg. There are only a couple potential opt outs for NW so this is a motivated team that is going for a winning season.

CMich has the location edge but NW is in driving distance and has a bigger fan base. PP's calls for NW to hold a 210-109 rush yd edge and also a 209-142 pass yd edge in a 27-16 win. 'Cats are only laying 10.5 and the Vegas Total is 43.5, putting both right near the Vegas numbers so these are no Plays.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

RATE BOWL

Friday, December 26th, 2025 • 4:30 pm
ESPN • Chase Field • Phoenix, AZ

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

NM		MN
105	RUSH YD	76
224	PASS YD	224
19	PTS	25
-6	YTD TO	+7
#47	SKED	#93

CHECKLIST

NM EDGE		MN EDGE
–	QB	✔
✔✔	RB	–
✔	WR	–
✔1/2	OL	–
–	DL	✔
–	LB	–
–	DB	–
–	CCH	✔✔✔✔
1/2	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
✔	INT	–
✔✔✔	ST	–
–	SKED	✔✔

OVERALL
NEW MEXICO
BY 1 ✔'s

New Mexico (9-3)
ATS: 7-4-1 O/U: 5-7

LOBOS +5.4 ppg / +19.7 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #91 • NCAA #83)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**430**	**2083**	**222**	**1861**	**22**	**4.3**
Damon Bankston	12	104	589	11	578	5	5.6
D.J. McKinney	12	109	471	17	454	7	4.2
Scottre Humphrey	12	77	358	9	349	5	4.5
James Laubstein	8	44	317	11	306	1	7.0
Jack Layne	12	77	313	163	150	4	1.9

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**212**	**322**	**65.8**	**2574**	**18**	**9**
Jack Layne	12	199	302	65.9	2398	13	9
James Laubstein	8	10	14	71.4	96	2	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**212**	**2576**	**12.2**	**17**	**84**
Keagan Johnson	11	57	730	12.8	3	80
Dorian Thomas	12	53	545	10.3	4	34
Damon Bankston	12	26	374	14.4	3	84
Cade Keith	12	20	253	12.7	3	45
Shawn Miller	11	14	193	13.8	1	2

DEFENSE (NC #41 • NCAA #49)

OFF YPG	369.6	DEF YPG	349.9
OFF PPG	27.9	DEF PPG	22.5
OFF RUSH	155.1	DEF RUSH	113.3
OFF PASS	214.5	Pass DEF	236.6
SKS VS	30	SKS BY	33

	OFF	DEF
KR	23.8	18.4
PR	4.0	3.7
ST TD diff	+2	
Net Punt	43.6	39.7
FG's	15-16 (long 46)	
ST Rank	22	

Minnesota (7-5)
ATS: 4-8 O/U: 6-5-1

GOLDEN GOPHERS -0.2 ppg / -45.7 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #116 • NCAA #126)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**344**	**1446**	**209**	**1237**	**14**	**3.6**
Darius Taylor	9	119	572	18	554	3	4.7
*Fame Ijeboi**	*11*	*97*	*461*	*20*	*441*	*2*	*4.5*
Grant Washington	2	21	133	1	132	0	6.3
Cam Davis	12	34	117	8	109	2	3.2

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**233**	**371**	**62.8**	**2322**	**17**	**7**
Drake Lindsey	12	228	361	63.2	2235	16	6
Max Shikenjanski	2	4	5	80.0	80	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**233**	**2322**	**10.0**	**17**	**78**
Le'Meke Brockington	12	46	484	10.5	4	24
Javon Tracy	12	35	439	12.5	6	45
Jalen Smith	12	22	355	16.1	2	78
Darius Taylor	9	30	222	7.4	0	40
Jameson Geers	12	26	206	7.9	4	25
Drew Biber	12	18	136	7.6	0	21

DEFENSE (NC #76 • NCAA #41)

OFF YPG	296.6	DEF YPG	342.3
OFF PPG	23.3	DEF PPG	23.4
OFF RUSH	103.1	DEF RUSH	121.5
OFF PASS	193.5	Pass DEF	220.8
SKS VS	20	SKS BY	35

	OFF	DEF
KR	23.2	15.8
PR	6.1	11.2
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	38.7	36.3
FG's	14-21 (long 46)	
ST Rank	88	

First mtg. Minnesota has won 8 straight bowl gms (7-1 ATS), the last 6 under HC PJ Fleck. Gophers (-5) won this bowl in '21 over WVU, 18-6, and are 12-0 all-time vs MWC. New Mexico making 1st bowl appearance since '16 and 1st outside the state since '04! This is HC Jason Eck's 1st bowl but he took Idaho to playoffs '22-'24.

Eck did a stellar job Yr 1 at UNM. Lobos were picked to finish 11th in MWC but went 9-3 (7-4-1 ATS) and lost tiebreaker to make league title gm. Their 3 losses were on the road and they're 2-0 ATS vs B1G, losing to Michigan (-35) by 17 and thumping UCLA, 35-10. Lobos +20 ypg against our #93 sked. The offense ran out of gas in Nov and avgs 28 ppg and failed to exceed 23 pts in final 3. QB Jack Layne has just a 13-9 ratio and won't stretch defenses, and the backfield is deep but rarely pops big plays. Lobo D is solid, allowing 3.4 ypc and holding opp 34ypg below their avg (#41 FBS) but they're 110th vs the pass and stud DE Keyshawn James-Newby (8 sks) is an opt-out candidate.

After going 9-4 in '21 & '22, Minnesota has had no more than 7 reg ssn wins last 3 yrs. Gophers are 7-5 SU & 4-8 ATS with all 7 wins at home. They're -46 ypg and were -24 ppg and 194ypg on the road! Nebraska was the only tm they beat with a winning record. The offense ranks 128th at 297 ypg & RB health has been a ssn-long issue. Redshirt frosh QB Drake Lindsey has thrown 2235 (63%, 16-6) and had 6-0 ratio over final 3 gms. Like UNM, Gophers allow 23 ppg, excel at the LOS (3.8, 35 sks), and struggle in pass D (#111, 68%). And just like the Lobos, Minnesota's top pass rusher, Anthony Smith (10.5 sks), is a possible opt-out candidate.

Computer has Minny 25-19 with both tms struggling on offense. We agree but think gm will be even tighter. UNM has more motivation and has already shown it can play with the B1G.Fleck owns the bowls but this will be right around the line so it's a no play.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

FIRST RESPONDER BOWL

Friday, December 26th, 2025 • 8:00 pm
ESPN • Gerald J Ford Stadium • Dallas, TX

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

FIU		UTSA
142	RUSH YD	188
212	PASS YD	282
31	PTS	38
+2	YTD TO	+5
#125	SKED	#74

CHECKLIST

FIU EDGE		UTSA EDGE
–	QB	✔
–	RB	✔
–	WR	–
–	OL	–
–	DL	–
–	LB	1/2
✔	DB	–
–	CCH	✔✔1/2
–	SITE	✔1/2
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	✔
–	ST	1/2
–	SKED	✔✔1/2

OVERALL
UTSA
BY 9.5 ✔'s

FIU (7-5)
ATS: 8-4 O/U: 6-6

PANTHERS +1.5 ppg / +1.0 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #86 • NCAA #41)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**456**	**2565**	**283**	**2282**	**26**	**5.0**
Kejon Owens	12	205	1327	29	1298	11	6.3
Anthony Carrie	12	96	466	19	447	5	4.7
Devonte Lyons	12	36	162	22	140	1	3.9
Keyone Jenkins	9	50	234	106	128	5	2.6x

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**236**	**380**	**62.1**	**2624**	**18**	**11**
Keyone Jenkins	9	157	249	63.1	1693	9	5
Joe Pesansky	8	78	128	60.9	919	9	6

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**236**	**2624**	**11.1**	**18**	**64**
Alex Perry	12	53	816	15.4	9	64
Kyle McNeal	11	29	286	9.9	0	30
Dallas Payne	11	25	266	10.6	3	42
Maguire Anderson	12	22	255	11.6	1	46
Jojo Stone	12	19	244	12.8	2	49
C'Quan Jnopierre	10	5	126	25.2	0	64

DEFENSE (NC #80 • NCAA #103)

OFF YPG	407.6	DEF YPG	406.6
OFF PPG	29.3	DEF PPG	27.8
OFF RUSH	188.9	DEF RUSH	159.8
OFF PASS	218.7	Pass DEF	246.8
SKS VS	20	SKS BY	27

	OFF	DEF
KR	20.9	19.8
PR	7.1	9.6
ST TD diff	-3	
Net Punt	37.8	39.3
FG's	16-21 (long 51)	
ST Rank	113	

UTSA (6-6)
ATS: 6-6 O/U: 8-3-1

ROADRUNNERS +4.2 ppg / +31.5 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #53 • NCAA #37)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**13**	**380**	**2203**	**280**	**1923**	**17**	**5.1**
Robert Henry	10	138	1042	59	983	9	7.1
Will Henderson	11	105	773	24	749	4	7.1
A'Marion Peterson	11	41	150	11	139	2	3.4
Bryson Donnell	7	13	33	0	33	0	2.5

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**11**	**253**	**375**	**67.5**	**2654**	**28**	**6**
Owen McCown	11	232	342	67.8	2434	25	6
Brandon Tennison	6	20	32	62.5	199	2	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**253**	**2654**	**10.5**	**28**	**77**
Devin McCuin	10	52	567	10.9	7	52
AJ Wilson	11	25	466	18.6	4	77
David Amador	10	40	399	10.0	4	45
Houston Thomas	11	32	337	10.5	2	32
Patrick Overmyer	11	19	221	11.6	2	45
DJ Allen	10	16	152	9.5	3	43

DEFENSE (NC #56 • NCAA #76)

OFF YPG	413.6	DEF YPG	382.1
OFF PPG	33.8	DEF PPG	29.6
OFF RUSH	170.3	DEF RUSH	155.4
OFF PASS	243.3	Pass DEF	226.7
SKS VS	18	SKS BY	21

	OFF	DEF
KR	16.8	23.0
PR	6.3	9.4
ST TD diff	-2	
Net Punt	41.3	40.8
FG's	15-18 (long 45)	
ST Rank	103	

These two were conference foes in CUSA and split four times since 2014 with FIU going 4-0 ATS. They last met in '22 and FIU was +33' and only lost 30-10. FIU is in a bowl in HC Willie Simmons first year. Simmons is 1-0 SU/ATS in Bowls, winning FCS' Celebration Bowl as HC at FAMU. HC Traylor is 2-3 SU/3-2 ATS in bowls at UTSA. This is only FIU's 6th bowl ever (2-3 SU/ATS) and their first since 2019. UTSA has won their last two bowls by 18 and 29 (2-0 ATS).

Simmons did a great job retaining key players in the portal like QB Keyone Jenkins and RB Kejon Owens. FIU was only 3-5 before a 4 game win streak to end the regular season. The Panthers finished 7-5 but were only +1 ypg. All five of their losses were to teams that are bowl eligible and they beat two of CUSA's best teams, WKU and Jax St. QB Jenkins missed 3 games but returned for the finale. RB Ownes has 1,159 (6.1). The Panthers have 4 All-CUSA DB's but 3 of them have already gone in the Portal along with st'g RT Michel. Jenkins should be healthy for this game and there's no indication that Owens won't play so the offense is in good job but the secondary is a concern and they have a weak Dline (160 (4.7).

UTSA was expected to contend for the AAC Title. They lost their first 2 games and were 2-2 heading into AAC play. They were dominant at home, upsetting Tulane and crushing East Carolian but lost road games to Temple, North Texas and USF. UTSA had never lost a conference home game under Traylor (25 str wins) until the ssn finale when Army beat them 27-24. They finished 6-6 and were +32 ypg. UTSA will be w/o 3 DL's and both starting CB's but they do still have their top 7 tacklers. UTSA has 2 RB's that top 800 yards in Henry & Henderson.

PP calls for UTSA to win 38-31. UTSA QB McCown should pick apart FIU's depleted secondary and RB's Henry and Henderson will do well against a weak run D. FIU should have QB Jenkins or Pesansky. The forecast has 69 pts we agree, this game goes Over!

FORECAST: OVER 69.5 **RATING: 4★**

MILITARY BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 11:00 am
ESPN • Navy-Marine Corps Memorial Stadium • Conway, SC

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS		
PITT		ECU
128	RUSH YD	128
267	PASS YD	246
31	PTS	26
+2	YTD TO	+6
#55	SKED	#91

CHECKLIST

PITT EDGE		ECU EDGE
✔✔✔	QB	–
✔✔	RB	–
1/2	WR	–
–	OL	✔✔
✔	DL	–
✔	LB	–
–	DB	–
–	CCH	–
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
✔✔✔	ST	–
✔1/2	SKED	–

OVERALL
PITT
BY 10 ✔'s

Pittsburgh (8-4)
ATS: 8-4 O/U: 7-3-2

PANTHERS +10.2 ppg +55.0 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #63 • NCAA #63)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**392**	**1782**	**378**	**1404**	**18**	**3.6**
Ja'Kyrian Turner	11	124	672	20	652	7	5.3
Desmond Reid	7	60	296	18	278	2	4.6
*Juelz Goff**	*12*	*69*	*275*	*5*	*270*	*5*	*3.9*
Mason Heintschel	9	75	338	241	97	2	1.3
Eli Holstein	8	36	152	64	88	1	2.4

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**264**	**424**	**62.3**	**28**	**33**	**14**
Mason Heintschel	9	176	276	63.8	15	15	7
Eli Holstein	8	77	125	61.6	12	12	6

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**264**	**3297**	**12.5**	**28**	**84**
Kenny Johnson	12	48	695	14.5	5	42
Raphael Williams	12	46	644	14.0	6	67
Cataurus Hicks	12	24	422	17.6	4	84
Desmond Reid	7	23	317	13.8	2	50
Justin Holmes	12	22	201	9.1	4	22

OFF YPG	392.2	DEF YPG	337.2
OFF PPG	35.1	DEF PPG	24.9
OFF RUSH	117.2	DEF RUSH	97.0
OFF PASS	275.0	Pass DEF	240.2
SKS VS	40	SKS BY	28

	OFF	DEF
KR	23.7	21.1
PR	15.3	6.8
ST TD diff	+2	
Net Punt	40.5	37.3
FG's	20-25 (long 47)	
ST Rank	16	

East Carolina (8-4)
ATS: 7-5 O/U: 5-6-1

PIRATES +13.2 ppg +116.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #24 • NCAA #14)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**517**	**2396**	**206**	**2190**	**31**	**4.2**
London Montgomery	12	156	752	10	742	7	4.8
Marlon Gunn	12	94	541	9	532	6	5.7
TJ Engleman	10	53	285	3	282	1	5.3
Parker Jenkins	10	70	249	11	238	2	3.4
*Katin Houser**	*12*	*85*	*306*	*113*	*193*	*9*	*2.3*

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**277**	**423**	**65.5**	**3368**	**20**	**6**
*Katin Houser**	*12*	*269*	*408*	*65.9*	*3300*	*19*	*6*
Chaston Ditta	4	4	7	57.1	38	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**277**	**3368**	**12.2**	**17**	**70**
Anthony Smith	12	60	897	15.0	5	66
Yannick Smith	11	44	583	13.3	5	59
Brock Spalding	12	41	554	13.5	3	55
Desirrio Riles	12	28	362	12.9	2	42
*Jayvontay Conner**	*12*	*23*	*333*	*14.5*	*1*	*79*

OFF YPG	465.7	DEF YPG	348.9
OFF PPG	33.5	DEF PPG	20.3
OFF RUSH	185.0	DEF RUSH	120.3
OFF PASS	280.7	Pass DEF	228.7
SKS VS	16	SKS BY	26

	OFF	DEF
KR	17.6	20.7
PR	6.4	12.4
ST TD diff	+1	
Net Punt	37.5	42.2
FG's	13-15 (long 50)	
ST Rank	82	

5th meeting and first since 1992. ECU won the last two in '91-'92. This is Pitt's 2nd trip to the Military Bowl, they lost to Navy in '15. HC Narduzzi is just 2-5 SU/ATS in bowls and lost LY's GameAbove Bowl to Toledo 48-46 (-6'). ECU is in the Military Bowl for the 2nd straight year. LY they beat NCSt here 26-21 (+7) and the Pirates have won their last 2 bowls.

Pitt lost their last 6 games in '24. They returned key portions of their roster this year at skill positions and on their front 7 including AA LB Kyle Louis. They were 2-0 when they blew DD 2H leads to WVU and Louisville. Pitt won their next 5 games as frosh QB Heintschel sparked the offense. They upset GTech on the road and lost to both Notre Dame and Miami at home to finish 8-4 but easily could have been 10-2. They are +55 ypg. Their D allows 337 ypg including just 97 rush (3.0). AA LB Louis left for the NFL and they may also be without All-ACC LB Biles. Pitt has excellent ST's (#16) and played the tougher sked (#55 vs #91). RB Reid has been hurt off and on and is a ? here and RB Goff went in the Portal.

HC Harrell has done an excellent job since being promoted last year. He got the Pirates to an 8-4 finish last year. They were 3-3 this year but the losses were at NCSt, vs BYU and at Tulane. EC won their next 4 games including a dominant trip to Temple when they had a 614-233 yd edge. The Pirates were in the mix for the AAC Title until their 58-24 loss at UTSA. EC ended the reg ssn with a 42-3 win over FAU. They are 8-4 SU/7-5 ATS and they are +117 ypg. However, the Pirates take a big hit here as QB Houser is in the Portal, WR Anthony Smith is a ? and both coordinators have departed. EC will either start journeyman QB Mike Wright or frosh Chaston Ditta. Either way the offense takes a step back against a tough Pitt defense.

PP's has Pitt by 5 but doesn't factor QB Hauser's opt out. The projected total is near the line so this is a no play.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

PINSTRIPE BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 12:00 pm
ABC • Yankee Stadium • Bronx, NY

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS		
PSU		CLEM
161	RUSH YD	129
243	PASS YD	225
27	PTS	22
+4	YTD TO	+1
#26	SKED	#58

CHECKLIST

PSU EDGE		CLEM EDGE
–	QB	✔✔
✔1/2	RB	–
–	WR	1/2
✔	OL	–
–	DL	–
–	LB	–
–	DB	–
–	CCH	✔✔✔✔
✔	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
✔✔1/2	ST	–
✔1/2	SKED	–

OVERALL
PENN ST
BY 1 ✔'s

Penn St (6-6)
ATS: 4-8 O/U: 8-3-1

NITTANY LIONS +10.3 ppg +24.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #55 • NCAA #87)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**434**	**2335**	**205**	**2130**	**30**	**4.9**
Kaytron Allen	12	210	1316	13	1303	15	6.2
*Nicholas Singleton**	*12*	*123*	*572*	*23*	*549*	*13*	*4.5*
Drew Allar	6	36	212	40	172	1	4.8
Trebor Pena	12	11	79	10	69	0	6.3

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**203**	**304**	**66.8**	**2179**	**14**	**7**
*Drew Allar**	*6*	*103*	*159*	*64.8*	*1100*	*8*	*3*
Ethan Grunkemeyer	10	100	144	69.4	1079	6	4

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**203**	**2179**	**10.7**	**14**	**75**
Trebor Pena	12	44	452	10.3	1	43
Devonte Ross	12	28	417	14.9	5	75
Kyron Hudson	12	23	288	12.5	2	31
Luke Reynolds	12	24	229	9.5	0	22
*Nicholas Singleton**	*12*	*24*	*219*	*9.1*	*1*	*50*
Khalil Dinkins	12	14	167	11.9	2	40

OFF YPG	359.1	DEF YPG	334.3
OFF PPG	31.8	DEF PPG	21.4
OFF RUSH	177.5	DEF RUSH	150.8
OFF PASS	181.6	Pass DEF	183.5
SKS VS	17	SKS BY	27

	OFF	DEF
KR	19.8	20.2
PR	8.1	8.0
ST TD diff	+4	
Net Punt	42.3	36.0
FG's	15-16 (long 49)	
ST Rank	17	

Clemson (7-5)
ATS: 5-7 O/U: 4-7-1

TIGERS +8.3 ppg +51.7 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #47 • NCAA #47)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**385**	**1769**	**194**	**1575**	**19**	**4.1**
Adam Randall	12	157	800	21	779	9	5.0
Gideon Davidson	12	56	257	8	249	0	4.4
Chris Denson	2	7	108	0	108	1	15.4
Cade Klubnik	11	74	217	110	107	4	1.4

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**287**	**435**	**66.0**	**3288**	**22**	**7**
Cade Klubnik	11	235	353	66.6	2750	16	6
Christopher Vizzina	5	45	71	63.4	406	4	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**287**	**3288**	**11.5**	**22**	**75**
T.J. Moore	12	46	754	16.4	4	75
*Antonio Williams**	*10*	*55*	*604*	*11.0*	*4*	*64*
*Bryant Wesco**	*7*	*31*	*537*	*17.3*	*6*	*73*
Adam Randall	12	31	246	7.9	3	35
Tristan Smith	12	22	229	10.4	1	23
Christian Bentancur	12	18	186	10.3	3	45

OFF YPG	405.3	DEF YPG	353.6
OFF PPG	28.7	DEF PPG	20.4
OFF RUSH	131.3	DEF RUSH	102.9
OFF PASS	274.0	Pass DEF	250.7
SKS VS	17	SKS BY	32

	OFF	DEF
KR	19.6	29.9
PR	7.3	0.2
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	39.7	39.4
FG's	16-19 (long 50)	
ST Rank	67	

Clemson also had high expectations with QB Klubnik returning along with a top notch WR corps and an NFL caliber Dline. The offense had a slow start and they lost to LSU in the opener. They were 1-3 after losses to GTech and Syracuse. Clemson won B2B Blowouts at NC and BC but lost B2B again to SMU and Duke. The Tigers won their last 4 to finish 7-5 and they are +52 ypg. Clemson's opt outs include WR Williams, LG Sadler, DT Woods and Capehart, DE Parker, S Barnes and CB Terrell. WR Wesco and LB Woodaz are injured and won't play. All indications are that QB Klubnik is playing. Clemson's biggest edge is in the Coaching dept and DC Allen was at PSU LY and knows their personnel.

With so many opt outs it's hard to pick a winner here. Both tms finished strong. If RB Allen sits out then PSU will be without most of their offense. The Big 10 is 8-0 SU in the Pinstripe Bowl. Lets wait until we know who exactly is sitting this game out.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

FENWAY BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 2:15 pm
ESPN • Fenway Park • Boston, MA

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS		
ARMY		UCONN
275	RUSH YD	127
73	PASS YD	267
19	PTS	25
-7	YTD TO	+13
#80	SKED	#127

CHECKLIST

ARMY EDGE		UCONN EDGE
✔1/2	QB	–
–	RB	✔
–	WR	✔✔✔✔
✔✔✔	OL	–
–	DL	✔✔
–	LB	–
1/2	DB	–
✔✔✔✔	CCH	–
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
–	ST	✔✔✔✔✔
✔✔	SKED	–

OVERALL
UCONN
BY 1 ✔'s

UConn (9-3)
ATS: 6-5-1 O/U: 8-4

HUSKIES +11.1 ppg +46.2 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #45 • NCAA #15)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**377**	**2134**	**222**	**1912**	**24**	**5.1**
Cam Edwards	12	199	1164	32	1132	14	5.7
Mel Brown	4	26	230	1	229	2	8.8
Victor Rosa	12	28	153	6	147	2	5.3
Joe Fagnano	12	47	231	100	131	3	2.8
Oliver Lundberg Coleman	10	21	123	0	123	1	5.9

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**297**	**436**	**68.1**	**3613**	**30**	**1**
Joe Fagnano	12	285	413	69.0	3448	28	1
Nick Evers	3	10	15	66.7	105	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**297**	**3613**	**12.2**	**30**	**80**
Skyler Bell	12	101	1278	12.7	13	80
Reymello Murphy	12	33	404	12.2	3	61
John Neider	12	24	395	16.5	2	45
Juice Vereen	10	22	310	14.1	5	50
Shamar Porter	12	17	228	13.4	1	56

OFF YPG	459.3	DEF YPG	413.2
OFF PPG	36.9	DEF PPG	25.8
OFF RUSH	158.8	DEF RUSH	185.4
OFF PASS	300.5	Pass DEF	227.8
SKS VS	15	SKS BY	34

	OFF	DEF
KR	21.1	22.9
PR	8.3	8.1
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	40.2	39.6
FG's	22-25 (long 50)	
ST Rank	14	

Army (6-6)
ATS: 6-6 O/U: 3-8-1

BLACK KNIGHTS +0.5 ppg -21.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #131 • NCAA #113)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**692**	**3111**	**165**	**2946**	**26**	**4.3**
Cale Hellums	12	289	1222	44	1178	16	4.1
Noah Short	12	93	591	35	556	1	6.0
Hayden Reed	11	74	340	5	335	3	4.5
Dewayne Coleman	5	84	331	35	296	3	3.5
Briggs Bartosh	7	44	255	9	246	1	5.6
Carson Smith	10	46	184	2	182	1	4.0

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**61**	**118**	**51.7**	**943**	**5**	**4**
Cale Hellums	12	40	79	50.6	586	3	2
Dewayne Coleman	5	19	35	54.3	273	2	2

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**61**	**943**	**15.5**	**5**	**68**
Brady Anderson	12	14	381	27.2	2	68
Noah Short	12	25	330	13.2	1	44
Samari Howard	12	11	133	12.1	1	41
Parker Poloskey	12	4	54	13.5	1	26

OFF YPG	335.2	DEF YPG	357.0
OFF PPG	23.0	DEF PPG	22.5
OFF RUSH	256.9	DEF RUSH	147.1
OFF PASS	78.3	Pass DEF	209.9
SKS VS	5	SKS BY	11

	OFF	DEF
KR	13.7	21.8
PR	8.9	4.4
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	40.6	38.4
FG's	12-17 (long 48)	
ST Rank	119	

10th mtg but first time in a Bowl game. UConn is 5-4 SU vs Army but Army has won the last 2 in '21 & '22. This is the 4th Fenway Bowl. UConn won this game just last year when they beat North Carolina 27-14. Army's Jeff Monken is 5-1 SU/4-2 ATS in bowls. Army has won 6 of their L/7 bowls including LY's Independence Bowl over LA Tech 27-6 (-14). UConn's Interim HC is OC Gordon Sammis.

UConn went 9-3 last year and returned their top skill players including QB Fagnano, RB Edwards and WR Bell. They nearly upset Syracuse (lost in OT) then gave up a late td to lose to Delaware. UConn won 8 of their last 9 to finish 9-3 and are +46 ypg. Their best win was over ACC Champs Duke and all 3 of their losses were by 7 or less. HC Mora left for Colorado St. QB Fagnano is sitting this game out but RB Edwards and WR Bell will play. They have 3 OL and 3 defensive starters in the portal but WR Bell is trying to convince them to play. UConn has seen the option this year when they beat Air Force late in the ssn. Backup QB Evers was highly recruited (orig Wisky) and started 8 games here LY.

Army blew a 14 pt lead and was upset by Tarleton St in their opener. The following week they upset Kansas St. They lost their first two AAC games but they won 5 of their next 7. Army lost to their arch rival, Navy, 17-16 in the ssn finale to finish 6-7 and they are -26 ypg. The Army offense hasn't been the explosive unit it was LY. They only avg 22 ppg/324 ypg and are being held 87 ypg under what their opp's allow on avg. Their D allows 350 ypg and holds foes 56 ypg but that's partly because their offense controls the clock with slow drives so well.

This line opened UConn -3' and now stands Army -6' because of UConn's opt outs but the only one that for sure isn't playing is QB Fagnano. PP's had UConn winning by 6 but that's with Fagnano playing. We will downgrade slightly but this is a big lean on the Huskies!

FORECAST: UCONN (+) **RATING: 3★**

POP-TARTS BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 3:30 pm
ABC • Camping World Stadium • Orlando, FL

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

GT		BYU
147	RUSH YD	200
246	PASS YD	213
22	PTS	32
+8	YTD TO	-6
#61	SKED	#15

CHECKLIST

GT EDGE		BYU EDGE
✔1/2	QB	–
–	RB	✔1/2
–	WR	✔✔
✔✔	OL	–
–	DL	✔✔
–	LB	✔
–	DB	✔✔✔1/2
–	CCH	1/2
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
✔✔	ST	–
–	SKED	✔✔

OVERALL
BYU
BY 7 ✔'s

Georgia Tech (9-3)
ATS: 7-5 O/U: 7-4-1

YELLOW JACKETS +8.1 ppg +69.3 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #20 • NCAA #13)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**435**	**2582**	**146**	**2436**	**30**	**5.6**
Haynes King	11	178	1019	97	922	15	5.2
Malachi Hosley	12	87	641	7	634	7	7.3
Jamal Haynes	12	116	532	28	504	5	4.3
Jordan Allen	9	6	85	0	85	1	14.2

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**253**	**354**	**71.5**	**3159**	**19**	**6**
Haynes King	11	230	321	71.7	2697	17	5
Aaron Philo	3	21	28	75.0	373	1	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**242**	**3159**	**13.1**	**14**	**84**
Eric Rivers	12	42	556	13.2	1	68
Isiah Canion	12	22	480	21.8	4	42
Malik Rutherford	11	38	418	11.0	3	71
Jordan Allen	9	19	312	16.4	0	78
Jamal Haynes	12	31	243	7.8	0	34
Bailey Stockton	10	21	233	11.1	0	33

DEFENSE (NC #93 • NCAA #91)

OFF YPG	466.3	DEF YPG	397.0
OFF PPG	33.1	DEF PPG	25.0
OFF RUSH	203.0	DEF RUSH	169.7
OFF PASS	263.3	Pass DEF	227.3
SKS VS	10	SKS BY	27

	OFF	DEF
KR	16.6	18.0
PR	10.5	7.6
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	43.2	38.2
FG's	25-28 (long 55)	
ST Rank	20	

BYU (11-2)
ATS: 9-4 O/U: 6-7

COUGARS +12.9 ppg +69.2 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #51 • NCAA #59)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**13**	**507**	**2643**	**246**	**2397**	**31**	**4.7**
LJ Martin	13	236	1343	38	1305	12	5.5
Bear Bachmeier	13	146	667	140	527	11	3.6
Parker Kingston	13	22	108	5	103	3	4.7
Cody Hagen	12	9	108	15	93	2	10.3

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**13**	**231**	**364**	**63.5**	**2771**	**14**	**6**
Bear Bachmeier	13	224	349	64.2	2708	14	6
McCae Hillstead	4	5	5	100.0	33	0	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**230**	**2771**	**12.0**	**14**	**85**
Parker Kingston	13	61	848	13.9	5	75
Chase Roberts	12	47	745	15.9	5	85
Carsen Ryan	13	37	500	13.5	3	43
LJ Martin	13	36	255	7.1	0	26
Jojo Phillips	7	10	108	10.8	0	21
Cody Hagen	12	12	97	8.1	0	24

DEFENSE (NC #25 • NCAA #28)

OFF YPG	397.6	DEF YPG	328.4
OFF PPG	31.9	DEF PPG	19.0
OFF RUSH	184.4	DEF RUSH	122.1
OFF PASS	213.2	Pass DEF	206.3
SKS VS	15	SKS BY	30

	OFF	DEF
KR	24.2	15.2
PR	11.0	11.4
ST TD diff	+1	
Net Punt	39.3	37.7
FG's	22-29 (long 56)	
ST Rank	58	

BYU has won last 3 mtgs in '03,'12 & '13. This is Cougar HC Kalani Sitake's 8th bowl in 10 yrs. He's 5-2 SU & 4-3 ATS, beating #20 Colorado (-3'), 36-14, in LY's Alamo Bowl. GT is playing 3rd straight bowl for HC Brent Key. Yellow Jackets (+5) beat UCF, 30-17, in '23 and lost to Vandy (+3) in LY's Birmingham Bowl, 35-27.

BYU has won 11 gms in b2b yrs and was 9-4 ATS. Their only losses were to Texas Tech, in Lubbock and in the Big 12 title gm. They won at Arizona and Cincy and beat rival Utah while staying in the CFP hunt all yr. Cougs are +13 ppg and +69 ypg against our #15 sked. The offense revolves around the running of LJ Martin (1305, 5.3) and frosh QB Bear Bachmeier (64%, 2708, 14-6, 527 rush). The rec's have a big edge on GT pass D which ranks 87th with 18-3 ratio. D holds opp 64 ypg below avg (#25 FBS) and allows just 122 rush ypg (3.7). Pass D ranks #11 with a 15-16 ratio. OLB Jack Kelly has more sacks (10) than GT has allowed all yr (9).

GT opened 8-0 and rose to #8 in polls before an upset at NC St, 48-36. That loss set off a rough 1-3 SU & ATS finish with the only win by 2 over 2-10 BC. Jackets +8 ppg and +69 ypg against our #61 sked. The offense gains 71 ypg above opp avg (#20 FBS) and is #19 in FBS rushing at 203 ypg and 5.6 ypc. QB Haynes King makes the offense go. He leads with 922 rushing (5.2) and has thrown for 2697 (72%, 12-5). However, off staff has been gutted incl loss of OC Buster Faulkner to Florida. The D showed cracks and allows 28ypg above opp avg (#93 FBS), but did hold Georgia to just 16 pts and 260 yds in the finale. GT's 3 INT's rank 130th in FBS.

Computer has BYU winning 32-22. We agree. Cougars have big edge on defense, and King & GT will miss Faulkner's playcalling. Jackets ran out of gas in November and that trend will continue in December. BYU is laying small number here compared to their overall personnel advantages and we expect them to win by DD.

FORECAST: BYU **RATING: 3★**

ARIZONA BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 4:30 pm
CW • Arizona Stadium • Tucson, AZ

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

MU		FS
140	RUSH YD	171
112	PASS YD	165
21	PTS	25
+7	YTD TO	+3
#99	SKED	#112

CHECKLIST

MOH EDGE		FS EDGE
–	QB	✔
–	RB	✔
–	WR	–
–	OL	✔1/2
✔✔	DL	–
✔✔	LB	–
–	DB	✔✔
✔✔✔	CCH	–
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
✔	ST	–
1/2	SKED	–

OVERALL
MIAMI (OH)
BY 3 ✔'s

Miami, Oh (7-6)
ATS: 8-5 O/U: 7-6

REDHAWKS +3.1 ppg +19.0 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #97 • NCAA #94)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**13**	**470**	**2209**	**225**	**1984**	**16**	**4.2**
Jordan Brunson	13	155	742	18	724	4	4.7
Dequan Finn	8	89	469	74	395	4	4.4
*Kenny Tracy**	*5*	*49*	*277*	*5*	*272*	*1*	*5.6*
D'Shawntae Jones	11	58	268	6	262	7	4.5
Keith Reynolds	13	24	142	2	140	0	5.8

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**13**	**177**	**348**	**50.9**	**2550**	**17**	**10**
*Dequan Finn**	*8*	*106*	*180*	*58.9*	*1451*	*9*	*6*
Henry Hesson	8	39	98	39.8	596	4	3

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**183**	**2550**	**13.9**	**17**	**69**
*Kam Perry**	*13*	*42*	*966*	*23.0*	*6*	*66*
Cole Weaver	13	43	599	13.9	1	36
Keith Reynolds	13	35	348	9.9	1	69
Deion Colzie	10	10	167	16.7	1	44
Braylon Isom	11	10	141	14.1	3	27

DEFENSE (NC #59 • NCAA #31)

OFF YPG	348.8	DEF YPG	329.8
OFF PPG	25.1	DEF PPG	22.0
OFF RUSH	152.6	DEF RUSH	130.8
OFF PASS	196.2	Pass DEF	198.9
SKS VS	21	SKS BY	40

	OFF	DEF
KR	27.3	26.2
PR	10.2	8.6
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	39.9	35.7
FG's	19-21 (long 51)	
ST Rank	8	

Fresno St (8-4)
ATS: 6-6 O/U: 5-7

BULLDOGS +6.3 ppg +56.3 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #114 • NCAA #90)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**439**	**2298**	**260**	**2038**	**22**	**4.6**
Rayshon Luke	12	108	717	29	688	6	6.4
Bryson Donelson	12	134	604	24	580	5	4.3
Johnathan Arceneaux	12	34	249	7	242	2	7.1
Brandon Ramirez	12	49	229	11	218	3	4.4
Elijah Gilliam	12	34	216	1	215	5	6.3

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**224**	**351**	**63.8**	**2165**	**13**	**13**
EJ Warner	9	177	255	69.4	1811	12	11
Carson Conklin	5	47	96	49.0	354	1	2

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**224**	**2165**	**9.7**	**13**	**64**
Josiah Freeman	11	45	499	11.1	6	37
Richie Anderson	12	29	273	9.4	2	24
Rayshon Luke	12	36	228	6.3	2	23
Ezekiel Avit	11	25	226	9.0	0	41
Jahlil McClain	11	13	169	13.0	1	43

DEFENSE (NC #22 • NCAA #14)

OFF YPG	349.8	DEF YPG	293.5
OFF PPG	26.4	DEF PPG	20.1
OFF RUSH	169.3	DEF RUSH	133.0
OFF PASS	180.4	Pass DEF	160.5
SKS VS	18	SKS BY	21

	OFF	DEF
KR	21.1	15.9
PR	7.9	3.0
ST TD diff	+3	
Net Punt	39.7	37.4
FG's	17-22 (long 43)	
ST Rank	24	

First mtg. In HC Chuck Martin's 12 yrs at Miami (OH), he's 2-4 SU in bowls but 6-0 ATS and 5-1 to the under! RedHawks beat Colorado St (+2'), 43-17, in LY's Arizona Bowl. Fresno St has been to 4 straight bowl (3-1 SU & 2-2 ATS) but has not played here. Bulldogs lost to MAC's NIU, 28-20, in LY's Potato Bowl. HC Matt Entz led North Dakota St to 5 straight FCS playoffs but this is his 1st bowl gm.

Martin has led Miami to 3 straight MAC title gms, winning in '23 and losing last 2. They opened 0-3 with losses to Wisconsin, Rutgers and UNLV of the MWC. They regrouped with 5 wins in a row, incl over WMU, but QB Dequan Finn left the tm after a loss to Ohio and the offense tanked vs Toledo. RedHawks rallied for wins over Buffalo & Ball St but lost the rematch with WMU. Finn's replacements are completing just 43% and top WR Kam Perry (966, 23.0) is opting out. The offense is an issue but the D is not, even though top DL Adam Trick won't play. Miami allows 22ppg and 330ypg and leads the MAC with 40 sacks. They'll also have a ST's edge (#8 vs #24).

Entz raised the bar in his 1st ssn in the Valley. Fresno went from 6 to 8 wins incl a 30-7 rout of nemesis Boise St. Bulldogs hit a midseason lull and lost 4 straight ATS but rebounded to go 3-1 SU & ATS. They're +56 ypg against our #112 sked, and like Miami have relied on the D to bail out an ineffective and INT-prone offense. Fresno gains 45 ypg below opp avg (#114 FBS) and QB EJ Warner has almost as many picks as TD's (12-11 ratio). Offense reached 400 yds just once in final 8 gms. However, the D allows just 20 ppg and holds opp 70 ypg below their avg (#22 FBS). It'll be a long day for the Miami QB's vs the 10th ranked D which has 19 INT's.

Forecast has Fresno 25-21. We disagree and have Miami winning a low-scoring battle between the PK's. Both QB's struggles will continue against proven D's. Plus, Martin always covers in bowls and this is Entz's 1st bowl. RedHawks by a FG so no play here.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

NEW MEXICO BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 5:45 pm
ESPN • University Stadium • Albuquerque, NM

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

NT		SDST
168	RUSH YD	239
264	PASS YD	107
30	PTS	22
+9	YTD TO	+4
#95	SKED	#110

CHECKLIST

NT EDGE		SD EDGE
–	QB	✔
–	RB	✔✔
✔✔✔	WR	–
–	OL	–
–	DL	✔✔✔✔
–	LB	✔✔
–	DB	✔1/2
–	CCH	✔✔1/2
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
–	ST	✔
✔	SKED	–

OVERALL
SAN DIEGO ST
BY 10 ✔'s

North Texas (11-2)
ATS: 10-3 O/U: 9-4

MEAN GREEN +19.8 ppg +132.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #2 • NCAA #1)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**13**	**468**	**2589**	**235**	**2354**	**45**	**5.0**
Caleb Hawkins	12	200	1258	22	1236	23	6.2
Makenzie McGill	8	75	407	18	389	5	5.2
Kiefer Sibley	8	45	279	5	274	5	6.1
Ashton Gray	11	42	231	6	225	3	5.4

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**13**	**298**	**427**	**69.8**	**4202**	**32**	**7**
*Drew Mestemaker**	*13*	*292*	*416*	*70.2*	*4129*	*31*	*7*
Chris Jimerson	4	1	2	50.0	37	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**298**	**4202**	**14.1**	**32**	**84**
Wyatt Young	13	63	1209	19.2	10	84
Cameron Dorner	13	50	845	16.9	6	77
Miles Coleman	11	46	536	11.7	2	59
Landon Sides	12	29	400	13.8	1	60
Tre Williams	13	29	371	12.8	5	56
Caleb Hawkins	12	29	345	11.9	3	68

DEFENSE (NC #87 • NCAA #64)

OFF YPG	502.8	DEF YPG	370.4
OFF PPG	44.6	DEF PPG	24.9
OFF RUSH	180.3	DEF RUSH	207.2
OFF PASS	322.5	Pass DEF	163.2
SKS VS	18	SKS BY	23

	OFF	DEF
KR	21.1	18.5
PR	4.7	4.2
ST TD diff	+2	
Net Punt	39.5	38.6
FG's	12-13 (long 46)	
ST Rank	43	

San Diego St (9-3)
ATS: 9-3 O/U: 3-9

AZTECS +12.8 ppg +73.3 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #101 • NCAA #102)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**489**	**2473**	**199**	**2274**	**20**	**4.7**
Lucky Sutton	12	239	1251	14	1237	10	5.2
Christian Washington	12	88	495	9	486	3	5.5
Byron Cardwell	12	47	269	8	261	1	5.6
Bert Emanuel	10	22	117	15	102	0	4.6
*Jayden Denegal**	*12*	*67*	*227*	*128*	*99*	*4*	*1.5*

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**148**	**252**	**58.7**	**1844**	**9**	**8**
*Jayden Denegal**	*12*	*143*	*243*	*58.8*	*1807*	*9*	*8*
Bert Emanuel	10	5	9	55.6	37	0	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**148**	**1844**	**12.5**	**9**	**80**
Jordan Napier	10	48	629	13.1	2	80
Donovan Brown	12	30	475	15.8	2	52
Jacob Bostick	6	11	157	14.3	3	35
Mikey Welsh	11	12	129	10.8	0	44
Nathan Acevedo	11	12	129	10.8	0	26

DEFENSE (NC #20 • NCAA #6)

OFF YPG	340.8	DEF YPG	267.5
OFF PPG	24.7	DEF PPG	12.6
OFF RUSH	167.7	DEF RUSH	111.8
OFF PASS	153.2	Pass DEF	155.6
SKS VS	17	SKS BY	32

	OFF	DEF
KR	23.4	25.8
PR	7.9	8.8
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	41.6	38.9
FG's	19-22 (long 53)	
ST Rank	27	

San Diego St leads series 6-1 but this is 1st mtg since '75. Aztecs bowling after missing last 2 yrs. This is HC Sean Lewis's 1st bowl with program but 3rd overall. He was 1-1 at Kent St, winning '19 Frisco Bowl and losing '21 Potato Bowl. Since '16, North Texas is 1-6 SU & 3-4 ATS in bowls, losing to Texas St (-14), 30-28, last yr.

Mean Green had one of its best ssns ever, going 11-2 SU & 10-3 ATS. They'd be the #11 seed in the CFP had they beaten Tulane in the American CG. Unfortunately, UNT's unprecendented success cost them HC Eric Morris (Oklahoma St) and star QB Drew Mestemaker (4129, 70%, 31-7) who's in the portal. ST's coach Drew Svoboda will be the interim HC. Potential opt-outs include RB Caleb Hawkins (1236, 6.2) and WR Wyatt Young (1209, 19.2). So the offense that leads the FBS in scoring (44.8) and gains 136 ypg above opp avg (#2 FBS) will have a very different look here. The D allows 20 ypg above opp avg (#87 FBS) and gives up almost 5 ypc.

SD St was a mirror image of Mean Green; rock solid D that had to overcome poor offensive production. After losing to Wazzu in Wk 2, Aztecs reeled off 6 wins and allowed a total of just 44 pts. They were the MWC tm to beat and a G5 playoff contender. But they were humbled by Hawaii, 38-6, and after b2b DD wins they squandered a chance to make league title gm with a loss at New Mexico. Aztecs are 9-3 SU & ATS. The D allows just 13 ppg and ranks #7 against the pass with 11-13 ratio. DC Rob Aurich accepted same position at Nebraska and will not coach here. SD St has one of the FBS' worst pass gms and averaged just 19pts over final 6 gms.

PP calls for UNT to win 30-22 while hanging 432 yds on SD St. We disagree and have Aztecs winning low scoring gm. Mean Green's been gutted and won't be same w/o its HC, QB, and likely more key playmakers. SD St will slow down pace with RB Lucky Sutton, athletic QB Bert Emanuel and lean on D for upset win.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

GATOR BOWL

Saturday, December 27th, 2025 • 7:30 pm
ABC • Everbank Stadium • Jacksonville. FL

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

UVA		MIZZ
93	RUSH YD	203
169	PASS YD	129
12	PTS	20
+7	YTD TO	-5
#67	SKED	#40

CHECKLIST

UVA EDGE		MIZZ EDGE
✔✔✔	QB	–
–	RB	✔1/2
–	WR	✔
–	OL	✔1/2
–	DL	–
–	LB	1/2
–	DB	✔✔
–	CCH	✔
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
1/2	INT	–
✔1/2	ST	–
–	SKED	✔✔

OVERALL
MISSOURI
BY 4.5 ✔'s

Virginia (10-3)
ATS: 8-5 O/U: 4-8-1

CAVALIERS +11.6 ppg +112.4 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #42 • NCAA #26)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**13**	**507**	**2635**	**243**	**2392**	**28**	**4.7**
J'Mari Taylor	13	222	1091	29	1062	14	4.8
Harrison Waylee	13	98	515	27	488	5	5.0
Chandler Morris	13	58	351	106	245	5	4.2
Xavier Brown	7	51	249	8	241	1	4.7
Noah Vaughn	4	23	176	2	174	0	7.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**13**	**290**	**454**	**63.9**	**3150**	**17**	**10**
Chandler Morris	13	257	398	64.6	2802	16	9
Daniel Kaelin	7	30	52	57.7	339	1	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**290**	**3150**	**10.9**	**18**	**70**
Trell Harris	13	59	847	14.4	5	75
Jahmal Edrine	13	42	526	12.5	1	37
Cam Ross	12	48	518	10.8	2	46
J'Mari Taylor	13	43	253	5.9	1	25
Kameron Courtney	13	24	231	9.6	0	34

DEFENSE (NC #30 • NCAA #24)

OFF YPG	426.3	DEF YPG	313.9
OFF PPG	32.2	DEF PPG	20.5
OFF RUSH	184.0	DEF RUSH	111.1
OFF PASS	242.3	Pass DEF	202.8
SKS VS	17	SKS BY	29

	OFF	DEF
KR	34.0	14.9
PR	9.6	13.3
ST TD diff	+2	
Net Punt	38.4	37.0
FG's	22-27 (long 47)	
ST Rank	31	

Missouri (8-4)
ATS: 6-5-1 O/U: 6-6

TIGERS +12.8 ppg +145.0 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #32 • NCAA #25)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**526**	**3126**	**317**	**2809**	**0**	**5.3**
Ahmad Hardy	12	241	1590	30	1560	16	6.5
Jamal Roberts	12	113	*724*	*27*	697	5	6.2
*Beau Pribula**	*10*	*95*	*453*	*156*	*297*	*6*	*3.1*
Marquis Davis	3	34	201	1	200	2	5.9

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**217**	**339**	**64.0**	**2343**	**15**	**10**
*Beau Pribula**	*10*	*182*	*270*	*67.4*	*1941*	*11*	*9*
Matt Zollers	7	35	66	53.0	402	4	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**13**	**217**	**2343**	**10.8**	**15**	**70**
Kevin Coleman	12	63	715	11.3	1	50
Donovan Olugbode	12	25	352	14.1	2	34
Marquis Johnson	12	28	340	12.1	2	49
Joshua Manning	12	29	318	11.0	2	34
Brett Norfleet	11	31	254	8.2	5	27
Jamal Roberts	12	17	139	8.2	1	39

DEFENSE (NC #5 • NCAA #10)

OFF YPG	417.4	DEF YPG	272.4
OFF PPG	32.2	DEF PPG	19.4
OFF RUSH	234.1	DEF RUSH	101.0
OFF PASS	183.3	Pass DEF	171.4
SKS VS	25	SKS BY	36

	OFF	DEF
KR	20.47	17.29
PR	12.11	8.38
ST TD diff	+1	
Net Punt	38.8	39.3
FG's	15-20 (long 55)	
ST Rank	60	

This is the 81st Gator Bowl. This is Missouri's 3rd trip here but last played here in 1968. Virginia is 0-2 here and last played here in their 2008 loss to Texas Tech. These two met once, back in 1973. This is Virginia's first bowl under HC Elliott and their last bowl win was in '18. Mizzou is 3-1 SU/ATS in bowls under Drinkwitz. They've won their L/2 bowls, beating Iowa and Ohio St.

HC Tony Elliott had his best team of his tenure this year and it showed up in the results. They lost to NCSt in their 2nd game but that was considered a Non-Conf game. Virginia won their next 7 games including a thrilling upset over Florida St but they also had close wins over L'ville, Wash St and UNC. They had a 327-203 yd edge but lost to Wake Forest then dominated Duke on the road 34-17 w/a 540-255 yd edge. They won the Commonwealth Cup to clinch a spot in the ACC Title game but lost the rematch vs Duke 27-20. QB Morris has a 14-7 ratio and RB J'Mari has nearly 1,000 yds rushing. WR Harris is a ? w/an inj and they are w/o LB Robinson (inj) and CB Prevard (Portal). Virginia's D played really well down the stretch, allowing just 247 ypg in their L/4 and they hold foes 55 ypg below their avg.

Mizzou had a fortunate SEC schedule this year. They started 5-0 but only 1 of those teams (Louisiana) turned out to be bowl eligible. They scored late to only lose to Bama 27-24 then beat Aub. Mizzou lost 3 of their L/5. All 4 of their SEC wins came over teams that finished w/losing records they lost to all 4 teams they played that finished above .500. QB Pribula went in the Portal but backup QB Zollers started 3 games this year and he has SEC's #1 rusher Hardy in the backfield. Tigers D holds foes 117 ypg below their avg.

HC Drinkwitz expects minimal opt outs. This line dropped from Mizzou -7 to -4 but we think there's an overreaction to Pribula leaving. PP has Missouri winning 20-12 and we agree. Tigers play best when they have the talent edge and that's the case here.

FORECAST: MISSOURI **RATING: 2★**

TEXAS BOWL

Friday, December 19th, 2025 • 9:15 pm
ESPN • NRG Stadium • Houston, TX

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

LSU		HOU
105	RUSH YD	155
188	PASS YD	224
19	PTS	18
+8	YTD TO	+2
#7	SKED	#57

CHECKLIST

LSU EDGE		UH EDGE
–	QB	✔✔
✔	RB	–
✔	WR	–
–	OL	✔✔
1/2	DL	–
✔1/2	LB	–
✔	DB	–
–	CCH	✔✔✔
–	SITE	✔✔
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	1/2
✔✔✔	ST	–
✔✔ 1/2	SKED	–

OVERALL
LSU
BY 1 ✔'s

LSU (7-5)
ATS: 4-8 O/U: 3-9

TIGERS +3.5 ppg +12.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #111 • NCAA #108)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**354**	**1584**	**309**	**1275**	**9**	**3.6**
Caden Durham	11	106	519	14	505	3	4.8
Harlem Berry	12	101	462	16	446	2	4.4
Ju'Juan Johnson	12	38	192	41	151	2	4.0
Michael Van Buren	6	37	171	66	105	1	2.8
Zavion Thomas	12	17	104	9	95	0	5.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**275**	**419**	**65.6**	**2717**	**17**	**7**
*Garrett Nussmeier**	*9*	*194*	*288*	*67.4*	*1927*	*12*	*5*
Michael Van Buren	6	78	125	62.4	743	5	2

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**275**	**2627**	**9.6**	**17**	**65**
Zavion Thomas	12	40	473	11.8	4	62
Barion Brown	12	52	405	7.8	1	41
Aaron Anderson	9	33	398	12.1	0	39
Trey'Dez Green	10	29	353	12.2	5	0
Kyle Parker	12	24	262	10.9	3	43

DEFENSE (NC #15 • NCAA #25)

OFF YPG	332.5	DEF YPG	319.7
OFF PPG	21.8	DEF PPG	18.3
OFF RUSH	106.3	DEF RUSH	117.2
OFF PASS	226.3	Pass DEF	202.5
SKS VS	25	SKS BY	27

	OFF	DEF
KR	21.8	22.3
PR	8.4	14.7
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	38.3	39.3
FG's	24-28 (long 52)	
ST Rank	1	

Houston (9-3)
ATS: 8-4 O/U: 7-5

COUGARS +6.5 ppg +42.7 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #41 • NCAA #64)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**503**	**2353**	**245**	**2108**	**16**	**4.2**
Dean Connors	12	184	888	37	851	5	4.6
Conner Weigman	12	158	790	146	644	11	4.1
DJ Butler	10	60	285	5	280	0	4.7
Stacy Sneed	9	35	140	13	127	0	3.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**214**	**340**	**62.9**	**2583**	**22**	**10**
Conner Weigman	12	204	319	63.9	2475	21	9
Zeon Chriss-Gremillion	5	10	21	47.6	108	1	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**214**	**2583**	**12.1**	**22**	**74**
Amare Thomas	12	59	906	15.4	10	64
Tanner Koziol	12	65	651	10.0	5	50
Stephon Johnson	6	13	275	21.2	2	74
Dean Connors	12	31	242	7.8	3	33
Koby Young	12	10	159	15.9	0	43
Harvey Broussard	12	8	114	14.3	1	29

DEFENSE (NC #60 • NCAA #46)

OFF YPG	390.9	DEF YPG	348.2
OFF PPG	28.3	DEF PPG	21.8
OFF RUSH	175.7	DEF RUSH	133.3
OFF PASS	215.3	Pass DEF	214.8
SKS VS	19	SKS BY	24

	OFF	DEF
KR	19.0	24.2
PR	6.1	15.3
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	35.7	38.3
FG's	20-25 (long 52)	
ST Rank	72	

Schools separated by 270 mi but last met '00. COVID yr aside, LSU hasn't missed bowl since '99. Tigers 2-1 in Texas Bowl, beating Baylor (-3') LY 44-31. Interim HC Frank Wilson 0-1 in bowls, losing '16 in with UTSA. This is Houston's 1st bowl since '22. Cougs lost only Texas Bowl appearance in '07 to TCU. HC Willie Fritz was 3-1 SU & ATS in bowls at Tulane incl '22 Cotton Bowl upset of USC.

LSU was one of this yr's biggest disappointments. A contender before the ssn, they rose to #4 before losing to Ole Miss. They won just 3 more gms, fired HC Brian Kelly after a blowout to A&M and finished 7-5 SU & 4-8 ATS. This is the final gm before Lane Kiffin takes over. The offense never clicked, gaining 38 ypg less than opp avg (#111 FBS) & avg just 19ppg vs the FBS. QB Garrett Nussmeier missed most of Nov, giving way to Michael Van Buren (743, 5-2). Caden Durham leads with just 505 rushing and a stacked corps failed to produce a 500-yd receiver. The D was much better, holding opp 85ypg below their avg (#15 FBS) and allowing just 18 ppg. Star LB Whit Weeks & CB Mansoor Delane are not playing.

Houston, on the other hand, is having its best ssn since '21. After b2b 4-win years, Cougars are 9-3 & 8-4 ATS. They were unbeaten on the road, with 3 home losses to TT, WVU (-4 TO's) & TCU. Conner Weigman upgraded QB with 2475 yds (64%, 21-9, 644 rush) and will play. The offense lacked big plays and ranks 9th in Big 12 scoring at 28ppg. Like LSU, Houston is led by the D. Cougs yield 22ppg, just 3.7 ypc and have the 34th ranked pass D (15-12 ratio). Houston has a big coaching edge here with Fritz, but has the weaker ST's unit (#72 vs #1) and has faced the softer slate (#57 vs #7).

PP has LSU 19-18 desp being -86 yds. We like Houston here so it's a no play. Cougs playing in their home city and are motivated by 10-win season. UH has better QB play and the coaching edge of Fritz vs Wilson who has already accepted his next job at Ole Miss.

FORECAST: NO PLAY **RATING: NO PLAY**

BIRMINGHAM BOWL

Monday, December 29th, 2025 • 2:00 pm
ESPN • Protective Stadium • Birmingham, AL

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

GS		AS
152	RUSH YD	141
326	PASS YD	271
32	PTS	30
+3	YTD TO	0
#94	SKED	#114

CHECKLIST

GS EDGE		AS EDGE
✔✔	QB	–
–	RB	✔
✔1/2	WR	–
✔1/2	OL	–
–	DL	✔✔✔ 1/2
–	LB	–
–	DB	–
✔1/2	CCH	–
–	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
–	ST	✔✔
✔	SKED	–

OVERALL
GA SOUTHERN
BY 1 ✔'s

Georgia Southern (6-6)
ATS: 7-5 O/U: 7-5

EAGLES -6.3 ppg -64.2 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #70 • NCAA #54)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**425**	**1989**	**228**	**1761**	**16**	**4.1**
OJ Arnold	11	133	890	10	880	5	6.6
JC French	12	121	438	161	277	6	2.3
David Mbadinga	7	49	198	2	196	1	4.0
Taeo Todd	9	27	114	17	97	0	3.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**254**	**405**	**62.7**	**3045**	**25**	**8**
JC French	12	230	364	63.2	2758	19	8
OJ Arnold	11	2	2	100.0	85	2	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**254**	**3045**	**12.0**	**25**	**73**
Camden Brown	12	63	1049	16.7	14	73
Marcus Sanders	12	45	725	16.1	4	52
Dalen Cobb	11	52	471	9.1	3	43
OJ Arnold	11	17	201	11.8	1	41
Ahmon Green	12	16	166	10.4	0	29
Taylor Bradshaw	12	16	131	8.2	1	22

DEFENSE (NC #132 • NCAA #132)

OFF YPG	401.0	DEF YPG	465.2
OFF PPG	27.8	DEF PPG	34.2
OFF RUSH	147.7	DEF RUSH	220.7
OFF PASS	253.3	Pass DEF	244.5
SKS VS	28	SKS BY	12

	OFF	DEF
KR	22.3	25.6
PR	7.5	7.9
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	39.5	37.3
FG's	14-17 (long 46)	
ST Rank	78	

Appalachian St (5-7)
ATS: 5-7 O/U: 6-6

MOUNTAINEERS -4.5 ppg -33.6 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #99 • NCAA #69)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**380**	**1733**	**271**	**1462**	**11**	**3.8**
Rashod Dubinion	12	174	886	18	868	4	5.0
Jaquari Lewis	12	124	581	18	563	6	4.5
JJ Kohl	8	30	121	71	50	1	1.7

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**283**	**479**	**59.1**	**3144**	**23**	**11**
AJ Swann *	*7*	*130*	*222*	*58.6*	*1495*	*10*	*8*
*JJ Kohl**	*8*	*133*	*216*	*61.6*	*1465*	*12*	*2*

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**283**	**3144**	**11.1**	**23**	**70**
Jaden Barnes	10	55	608	11.1	7	59
Dalton Stroman	12	32	570	17.8	4	72
*Davion Dozier**	*9*	*20*	*448*	*22.4*	*5*	*68*
Izayah Cummings	8	37	374	10.1	1	30
David Larkins	12	22	204	9.3	2	40
Sam Mbake	8	23	191	8.3	1	24
Rashod Dubinion	12	27	170	6.3	0	25

DEFENSE (NC #121 • NCAA #113)

OFF YPG	383.6	DEF YPG	417.4
OFF PPG	25.3	DEF PPG	29.8
OFF RUSH	121.8	DEF RUSH	141.4
OFF PASS	262.0	Pass DEF	276.0
SKS VS	28	SKS BY	28

	OFF	DEF
KR	19.4	21.1
PR	11.7	7.6
ST TD diff	+1	
Net Punt	41.1	38.9
FG's	20-25 (long 49)	
ST Rank	35	

40th edition of "Deeper Than Hate" and first at neutral site. GS trails 21-18-1 but has won b2b incl in Nov on the road. Eagles 0-3 SU & ATS last 3 bowls. HC Clay Helton has lost 5 straight bowls and is 2-6 SU & 1-7 ATS! This is App St HC Dowell Loggains 1st bowl. Neers bowled in 9 of 12 yrs in FBS, going 7-1 SU & 4-4 ATS.

GS had visions of competing in the SBC East but finished 4th and needed to beat Marshall to get to 6-6 and become bowl-eligible. They beat Jax St, Coastal Carolina, and App St in Boone, 25-23. Eagles scored 1st 19 pts, gained 494 yds and held on for the road win. They're -6 ppg & -64 ypg against our #94 schedule. Offense in great hands with QB JC French (63%, 2758, 19-8), RB OJ Arnold (880, 6.6) and WR Camden Brown (1049, 16.6) but Arnold missed Marshall gm with an injury. Offense has had to be potent to offset a D that allows 88ypg above opp avg (#132 FBS). The run defense is particularly poor, giving up 221 ypg (#134) & 5.7 ypc (#135).

App St is wrapping up its worst ssn since joining the FBS in '14. They're 5-7 SU & ATS but got this bid when other tms opted out. New HC Dowell Loggains alternated 2 wins with 2 losses for a strong 4-2 start. But they lost 4 straight and split the final 2 to end hopes of finishing over .500. Seven of their gms were decided by 8pts or less and they're -5ppg & -33ypg vs the 114th sked. The offense avg just 20pts over last 5 gms. Plus, QBs AJ Swann & JJ Kohl (22-10 combined) are in the portal and TBD if either will use this as an audition. D has allowed 400+ yds in 8 of last 9, but they hold a big edge over GS up front (allow just 3.8 ypc with 28 sks)

PP has GS 32-30. We agree GS wins but does not cover the number. This is a rivalry gm and tms evenly matched. Plus, they played just last month so they know each other well. App St has the superior D-line and Loggains has had a month to figure out his QB situation. GS wins but Helton's ATS bowl slide hits 8 gms.

FORECAST: APP ST (+) **RATING: 2★**

INDEPENDENCE BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th, 2025 • 2:00 pm
ESPN • Independence Stadium • Shreveport, LA

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

CC		LT
174	RUSH YD	283
152	PASS YD	205
25	PTS	38
-1	YTD TO	+9
#89	SKED	#124

CHECKLIST

CC EDGE		LT EDGE
–	QB	–
–	RB	1/2
–	WR	✔✔
–	OL	✔
–	DL	✔✔
–	LB	✔1/2
–	DB	✔✔
–	CCH	✔✔✔
–	SITE	✔✔✔
–	MTCH	1/2
–	INT	–
–	ST	✔✔
✔✔	SKED	–

OVERALL
LA TECH
BY 15.5 ✔'s

Coastal Carolina (6-6)
ATS: 5-7 O/U: 7-4-1

CHANTICLEERS -11.1 ppg -133.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #119 • NCAA #115)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**448**	**2259**	**278**	**1981**	**15**	**4.4**
Ja'Vin Simpkins	12	115	591	23	568	2	4.9
Samari Collier	8	71	458	29	429	7	6.0
Dominic Knicely	12	65	395	15	380	3	5.8
Jevon Edwards	12	56	343	11	332	1	5.9
Jalen John	10	53	176	9	167	0	3.2

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**193**	**350**	**55.1**	**1893**	**14**	**11**
Tad Hudson	10	114	205	55.6	942	4	5
Samari Collier	8	38	78	48.7	489	7	2

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**193**	**1671**	**8.7**	**14**	**75**
Cameron Wright	12	24	274	11.4	1	44
Bryson Graves	12	29	231	8.0	2	24
Robby Washington	12	24	197	8.2	2	39
Jameson Tucker	12	10	178	17.8	2	75
Karmello English	12	19	168	8.8	3	42

DEFENSE (NC #134 • NCAA #131)

OFF YPG	322.8	DEF YPG	456.6
OFF PPG	22.8	DEF PPG	33.9
OFF RUSH	165.1	DEF RUSH	212.1
OFF PASS	157.8	Pass DEF	244.5
SKS VS	19	SKS BY	18

	OFF	DEF
KR	23.6	24.4
PR	9.6	11.4
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	36.2	33.4
FG's	17-21 (long 51)	
ST Rank	81	

Louisiana Tech (7-5)
ATS: 8-4 O/U: 5-7

BULLDOGS +6.3 ppg -11.9 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #96 • NCAA #84)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**491**	**2576**	**217**	**2359**	**28**	**4.8**
Clay Thevenin	12	121	633	28	605	8	5.0
Trey Kukuk	10	79	525	37	488	5	6.2
Omiri Wiggins	12	97	491	23	468	4	4.8
Andrew Burnette	12	78	465	7	458	8	5.9
Blake Baker	8	73	330	70	260	3	3.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**186**	**294**	**63.3**	**2015**	**7**	**9**
Blake Baker	8	102	155	65.8	1251	5	3
Trey Kukuk	10	57	86	66.3	526	2	3

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**186**	**2015**	**10.8**	**7**	**72**
Eli Finley	12	37	440	11.9	0	72
Devin Gandy	12	22	376	17.1	2	42
Marlion Jackson	12	17	283	16.6	1	42
Clay Thevenin	12	29	251	8.7	0	30
Jalen Mickens	12	20	177	8.9	1	40

DEFENSE (NC #87 • NCAA #68)

OFF YPG	364.5	DEF YPG	376.4
OFF PPG	27.7	DEF PPG	21.3
OFF RUSH	196.2	DEF RUSH	142.3
OFF PASS	168.3	Pass DEF	234.2
SKS VS	21	SKS BY	18

	OFF	DEF
KR	24.1	19.5
PR	9.9	9.4
ST TD diff	+2	
Net Punt	42.7	35.5
FG's	18-25 (long 55)	
ST Rank	70	

First meeting. LA Tech plays in nearby Shreveport's Independence Bowl for the 2nd straight year. Last year they lost to Army 27-6 (+14). Coastal is led by Interim HC Jeremiah Johnson who was previously the DC. Sonny Cumbie is 0-1 in Bowls here. This is Coastal's 6th straight year in a bowl (3-2 SU/1-4 ATS). Prior to LY's loss, LT had won 7 straight bowl trips spanning from '14-'20.

Coastal was picked to finish 4th in the Sun Belt East division. They started 3-3 but those losses were blowouts to Virginia, East Carolina and Old Dominion. The Chanticleers won their next 4 games to get bowl eligible. Their schedule toughened and they lost their last 3 to finish 6-6 yet are -134 ypg! Five of their 6 losses come by 38 points or more. QB Samari Collier sparked the offense in their win streak but he's been hurt and backup Tad Hudson only has a 4-5 ratio. CC's D is allowing 34 ppg/457 ypg and 90 ypg more than their foes avg. They are also avg just 23 ppg/323 ypg. The only edge CC has in our checklist is sked strength (#89 vs #124).

LT was looking for their first winning season under Sonny Cumbie. They started out 4-1 and the loss was by just 16 pts at LSU. They put up 305 yds but lost to Kennesaw by 28. LT blew a late lead and lost to WKU 28-27 in OT. They beat CUSA's worst team in Sam Houston then lost to Delaware and Wash St. LT won their last 2 games to finish 7-5 SU/8-4 ATS and are -12 ypg. QB Baker is OFY and QB Bullock is in the Portal so most likely QB Kukuk (526 pass, 488 rush). LT's D hasn't been great but they've got a big edge there, allowing 21 ppg/476 ypg. They do have two All-CUSA S's that went in the portal and a starting LB is in the Portal.

LT has massive edges across our checklist and PP calls for the Bulldogs to win 38-25. We can't help but play against Coastal who has a poor defense and has 5 losses by 38 points or more. LA Tech rolls big in front of what amounts to a home crowd!

FORECAST: LOUISIANA TECH RATING: 3★

MUSIC CITY BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th, 2025 • 5:30 pm
ESPN • Nissan Stadium • Nashville. TN

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

ILL		TENN
152	RUSH YD	154
212	PASS YD	270
24	PTS	31
+4	YTD TO	+5
#26	SKED	#44

CHECKLIST

TENN EDGE		ILL EDGE
–	QB	–
✔	RB	–
–	WR	–
✔1/2	OL	–
–	DL	–
–	LB	✔
–	DB	✔
–	CCH	–
✔✔1/2	SITE	–
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
–	ST	1/2
–	SKED	–

OVERALL
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BY 2.5 ✔'s

Tennessee (8-4)
ATS: 5-6-1 O/U: 8-4

VOLUNTEERS +12.0 ppg +86.5 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #14 • NCAA #4)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**459**	**2359**	**261**	**2098**	**32**	**4.6**
DeSean Bishop	12	163	999	16	983	14	6.0
Star Thomas	12	95	536	7	529	7	5.6
*Peyton Lewis**	*10*	*70*	*303*	*13*	*290*	*7*	*4.1*
Daune Morris	6	35	143	10	133	1	3.8
Joey Aguilar	12	62	257	153	104	3	1.7

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**278**	**419**	**66.3**	**3686**	**26**	**10**
Joey Aguilar	12	258	386	66.8	3444	24	10
Jake Merklinger	4	13	24	54.2	173	2	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**278**	**3686**	**13.3**	**26**	**73**
*Chris Brazzell**	*12*	*62*	*1017*	*16.4*	*9*	*72*
Braylon Staley	12	64	806	12.6	6	73
Mike Matthews	12	50	770	15.4	4	62
Ethan Davis	8	21	257	12.2	2	40
Miles Kitselman	10	25	250	10.0	2	23

DEFENSE (NC #94 • NCAA #88)

OFF YPG	482.0	DEF YPG	395.5
OFF PPG	40.8	DEF PPG	28.8
OFF RUSH	174.8	DEF RUSH	146.3
OFF PASS	307.2	Pass DEF	249.3
SKS VS	18	SKS BY	34

	OFF	DEF
KR	24.6	16.6
PR	10.3	4.4
ST TD diff	+0	
Net Punt	42.2	41.9
FG's	14-18 (long 53)	
ST Rank	66	

Illinois (8-4)
ATS: 7-4-1 O/U: 5-7

FIGHTING ILLINI +6.1 ppg +19.6 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #54 • NCAA #81)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**419**	**1919**	**345**	**1574**	**20**	**3.8**
Ca'Lil Valentine	12	123	573	24	549	4	4.5
Kaden Feagin	12	119	513	14	499	7	4.2
Aidan Laughery	8	62	320	15	305	3	4.9
Luke Altmyer	12	90	441	253	188	4	2.1

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**231**	**338**	**68.3**	**2869**	**22**	**6**
Luke Altmyer	12	226	332	68.1	2811	21	5
Hake Beatty	12	2	2	100.0	31	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**231**	**2869**	**12.4**	**22**	**70**
Hank Beatty	12	64	826	12.9	3	62
Collin Dixon	12	33	538	16.3	5	61
Hudson Clement	12	33	406	12.3	3	27
Justin Bowick	11	19	234	12.3	4	25
Cole Rusk	12	19	217	11.4	1	27
Kaden Feagin	12	16	188	11.8	2	64

DEFENSE (NC #49 • NCAA #51)

OFF YPG	370.3	DEF YPG	350.7
OFF PPG	29.3	DEF PPG	23.3
OFF RUSH	131.2	DEF RUSH	124.2
OFF PASS	239.1	Pass DEF	226.5
SKS VS	31	SKS BY	24

	OFF	DEF
KR	22.4	22.5
PR	16.4	4.2
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	38.4	35.7
FG's	17-20 (long 47)	
ST Rank	51	

First meeting since '98 Sun Bowl. Since '14, TCU 6-1 SU & 5-2 ATS in bowls incl wins in '15 & '17 Alamo Bowl. HC Sonny Dykes has bowled with 3 tms, going 3-3 SU & ATS. USC has bowled L/3 yrs (2-1 SU & ATS and 3-0 to the over. HC Lincoln Riley 3-4 SU & ATS in bowls. His '21 Oklahoma tm won Alamo but he didn't coach gm.

USC has had its best yr since '22 but it still wasn't enough to earn CFP berth. Trojans started 4-0 but lost at Illinois on a walk-off FG. They also lost at ND & Oregon and beat Michigan & Iowa at home to go 9-3 SU but just 4-7-1 ATS (2-7-1 vs P4). Against our #13 sked, USC an impressive +15 ppg and +123 ypg. Offense gains 134 ypg above opp avg (#3 FBS). Jayden Maiava has thrown for 3431 (66%, 23-8) and frosh RB King Miller stepped up when injuries hit to rush for 873 (6.7). Maiava's top 3 rec's have opted out, but Tanook Hines (Tex native) should have a monster gm. An avg USC D (4.4 ypc, #77 pass D, 21-11 ratio) will be without top LB and top 2 DB's.

TCU 8-4 SU & 6-5-1 ATS with a chance to match LY's record with a win here. Frogs lost to ASU, Kansas St, Iowa St & BYU. They beat SMU and finished hot with wins at Houston and home to Cincy. Offense avg 31 ppg but lacked balance & consistency. Now QB Josh Hoover (29 td's) is in the portal. Veteran Ken Seals knows system and had 22 car starts at Vandy (4413, 29-23 career). Unlike Maiava, top Frog rec's like Eric McAlister (1121, 17.5) will play. Seals must convert because run gm ranks #14 in Big 12 (133, 3.9). D holds opp 15 ypg below their avg (#59 FBS) and allows just 3.7. Front 7 has edge on USC but like Trojans, pass D is poor (#70, 24-12 ratio).

Computer calls for 31-24 USC win. We have Trojans by DD so this is a no play. USC's QB edge exploded when Hoover opted out, and Seals has a habit of turning it over. Plus, he won't have help from ground gm or OC Kendal Briles (SCar) while Trojans are balanced with Miller and have staff stability. USC rolls and picks up 10th win.

FORECAST: NO PLAY RATING: NO PLAY

ALAMO BOWL

Tuesday, December 30th, 2025 • 9:00 pm
ESPN • Alamodome • San Antonio, TX

COMPUTER PROJECTIONS

USC		TCU
129	RUSH YD	128
298	PASS YD	282
31	PTS	24
+3	YTD TO	0
#13	SKED	#34

CHECKLIST

USC EDGE		TCU EDGE
✔✔✔	QB	–
✔ 1/2	RB	–
–	WR	✔✔✔✔
✔✔	OL	–
–	DL	1/2
–	LB	✔✔
–	DB	–
✔	CCH	–
–	SITE	✔ 1/2
–	MTCH	–
–	INT	–
1/2	ST	–
✔	SKED	–

OVERALL
USC
BY 1 ✔'s

USC (9-3)
ATS: 4-7-1 O/U: 6-6

TROJANS +14.1 ppg +122.8 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #10 • NCAA #3)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**395**	**2294**	**203**	**2091**	**28**	**5.3**
King Miller	12	131	886	13	873	7	6.7
Waymond Jordan	6	88	581	5	576	5	6.5
Eli Sanders	6	47	273	9	264	2	5.6
Jayden Maiava	12	51	260	110	150	6	2.9
Bryan Jackson	8	36	134	11	123	4	3.4

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**262**	**390**	**67.2**	**3568**	**25**	**8**
Jayden Maiava	12	247	373	66.2	3431	23	8
Husan Longstreet	4	13	15	86.7	103	1	0

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**262**	**3568**	**13.6**	**25**	**74**
*Makai Lemon**	*12*	*79*	*1156*	*14.6*	*11*	*74*
*Ja'Kobi Lane**	*11*	*49*	*745*	*15.2*	*4*	*59*
*Lake McCree**	*12*	*30*	*450*	*15.0*	*4*	*64*
Tanook Hines	12	28	398	14.2	2	51
*Walker Lyons**	*12*	*20*	*223*	*11.2*	*2*	*26*

DEFENSE (NC #42 • NCAA #47)

OFF YPG	471.6	DEF YPG	348.8
OFF PPG	36.5	DEF PPG	22.4
OFF RUSH	174.3	DEF RUSH	145.4
OFF PASS	297.3	Pass DEF	203.3
SKS VS	14	SKS BY	28

	OFF	DEF
KR	16.4	26.3
PR	11.1	17.2
ST TD diff	-2	
Net Punt	35.7	40.1
FG's	17.21 (long 54)	
ST Rank	100	

TCU (8-4)
ATS: 6-5-1 O/U: 6-6

HORNED FROGS +5.6 ppg +56.1 ypg

OFFENSE (NC #27 • NCAA #27)

RUSHING	GP	ATT	GAIN	LOST	NET	TD	AVG
TOTAL	**12**	**405**	**1852**	**261**	**1591**	**17**	**3.9**
Jeremy Payne	10	97	560	10	550	4	5.7
Kevorian Barnes	7	97	459	16	443	3	4.6
Trent Battle	12	62	368	23	345	6	5.6
Jon Denman	12	44	152	5	147	2	3.3
Nate Palmer	10	30	145	6	139	0	4.6

PASSING	GP	COMP	ATT	%	YDS	TD	INT
TOTAL	**12**	**277**	**420**	**66.0**	**3513**	**29**	**14**
*Josh Hoover**	*12*	*272*	*413*	*65.9*	*3472*	*29*	*13*
Ken Seals	3	4	6	66.7	24	0	1

RECEIVING	GP	REC	YDS	AVG	TD	LNG
TOTAL	**12**	**277**	**3513**	**12.7**	**28**	**85**
Eric McAlister	12	64	1121	17.5	10	85
Jordan Dwyer	12	54	730	13.5	7	69
Joseph Manjack	12	41	551	13.4	3	51
DJ Rogers	12	32	300	9.4	2	39
Ed Small	6	16	186	11.6	2	41

DEFENSE (NC #59 • NCAA #70)

OFF YPG	433.7	DEF YPG	377.6
OFF PPG	30.8	DEF PPG	25.2
OFF RUSH	132.6	DEF RUSH	134.8
OFF PASS	301.1	Pass DEF	242.8
SKS VS	19	SKS BY	24

	OFF	DEF
KR	22.4	19.8
PR	9.6	10.3
ST TD diff	-1	
Net Punt	36.8	35.4
FG's	11-14 (long 41)	
ST Rank	109	

FORECAST: NO PLAY RATING: NO PLAY

NOTE: Power Plays - PP

PRO FOOTBALL DEC 25th – DEC 29th

Power Plays is based upon statistical numbers and rankings that are used to develop the projections you see here. As with all types statistical information the more numbers that one inputs ordinarily the stronger the accuracy of the results. Therefore, one would expect the projections to be more reliable after a number of weeks worth of stats are input.

THURSDAY, December 25th

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
DALLAS	445	155	291	28	-10	#12
WASHINGTON	370	125	246	30	-12	#3

Both teams project for big yardage and scoring, with negative TO margins on each side creating volatility. Washington will be without Jayden Daniels, with Marcus Mariota questionable, which adds instability despite the computer favoring WAS slightly. With the projection sitting tight, this stays a pass.

NO PLAY: WASHINGTON 30 DALLAS 28

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
DETROIT	312	107	206	24	+10	#15
MINNESOTA	314	114	200	23	-14	#6

Detroit sets up as a bounce-back spot and owns a major TO margin edge. However, Minnesota is without J.J. McCarthy again, and the yardage and scoring projections remain extremely tight. Not enough separation to force a play.

NO PLAY: DETROIT 24 MINNESOTA 23

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
DENVER	344	94	250	18	-4	#20
KANSAS CITY	294	81	213	20	-2	#14

The computer does not fully account for Kansas City's QB situation, with Mahomes and Gardner Minshew out for the season the Chiefs have signed multiple new QBs this week. With uncertainty under center and DEN carrying the yardage edge, this projection is on the wrong side.

NO PLAY: KANSAS CITY 20 DENVER 18

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27th

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
BALTIMORE	300	140	160	17	-4	#9
GREEN BAY	364	118	246	24	+2	#24

Baltimore continues to project as run-heavy, while Green Bay owns a clear passing and total-yd advantage. Lamar Jackson is questionable with a back issue, further limiting BAL's ceiling. Whether it's Jordan Love or Malik Willis, GB's offensive balance at home should control this one. PP here!.

3★: GREEN BAY 24 BALTIMORE 17

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
HOUSTON	269	91	178	18	+15	#11
LA CHARGERS	285	126	159	20	+3	#22

Two strong defenses headline this matchup. Houston's +15 TO margin is a major counterweight to the slight yardage disadvantage, but the scoring projection remains tight. Nothing clean enough to attack.

NO PLAY: LA CHARGERS 20 HOUSTON 18

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28th

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
ARIZONA	401	126	275	25	0	#25
CINCINNATI	375	127	248	32	-2	#17

Arizona outgains Cincinnati in raw yardage, but the computer still projects CIN by a full TD. Joe Burrow has stabilized the offense since returning, yet the projection lines up too closely with the market.

NO PLAY: CINCINNATI 32 ARIZONA 25

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
SEATTLE	351	137	214	27	-4	#2
CAROLINA	265	95	170	16	0	#21

Seattle holds decisive advantages in total yards, rushing balance, and scoring. Sam Darnold comes off a strong LW performance, and CAR continues to struggle generating consistent offense. The computer aligns cleanly with a multi-score margin. PP here!.

2★: SEATTLE 27 CAROLINA 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NY GIANTS	324	136	188	22	-5	#27
LAS VEGAS	268	94	174	21	-3	#32

This profiles as a low-motivation game with both teams looking toward the offseason. Geno Smith back from injury LW and has something left to prove this season but the projection remains essentially a coin flip so we'll pass.

NO PLAY: NY GIANTS 22 LAS VEGAS 21

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
PITTSBURGH	267	117	150	22	+9	#18
CLEVELAND	279	83	196	16	-6	#31

Cleveland's defense could keep this close early, but PIT owns a strong TO margin edge and has played cleaner offensively. With Quinshon Judkins out, CLE's offensive ceiling drops further and PIT QB Rodgers is rolling lately. Projection isn't as distant as we would like but good enough for a small play. PP here!.

1★: PITTSBURGH 22 CLEVELAND 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NEW ORLEANS	304	79	226	20	-3	#29
TENNESSEE	283	134	150	20	-4	#8

Yardage slightly favors New Orleans, but Tennessee's ability to control pace on the ground keeps this level. The computer lands at a tie and the yardage close so we'll have to pass.

NO PLAY: TENNESSEE 20 NEW ORLEANS 20

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
TAMPA BAY	322	121	201	23	+8	#28
MIAMI	330	109	221	23	-5	#7

The computer projects a dead even game. Tampa Bay sets up for a rebound spot, but the numbers seem to point to a different direction even thought the Bucs have the dominating TO margin. As it stands, it's a pass.

NO PLAY: MIAMI 23 TAMPA BAY 23

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's	
JACKSONVILLE	356	90	266	26	+12	#5	
INDIANAPOLIS	342	110	232	26	+2	#4	

Jacksonville owns the yardage edge and a significant TO margin advantage, but the computer calls this a draw. With the projection flat, this stays a pass despite JAX looking like the better team on paper.

NO PLAY: INDIANAPOLIS 26 JACKSONVILLE 26

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NEW ENGLAND	397	133	264	31	0	#13
NY JETS	246	111	135	16	-18	#1

The Jets remain turnover-prone with Brady Cook starting again. NE QB Drake Maye should consistently move the ball against a NYJ defense that's struggled to force stops, creating a clear scoring gap as seen with the projected numbers. PP here!.

3★: NEW ENGLAND 31 NY JETS 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
PHILADELPHIA	319	165	155	22	+4	#10
BUFFALO	324	164	161	25	+2	#26

Everything lines up tight across yardage and scoring. Both teams come in off strong wins, and this profiles as a one-possession game throughout.

NO PLAY: BUFFALO 25 PHILADELPHIA 22

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CHICAGO	366	149	217	22	+21	#19
SAN FRANCISCO	364	128	236	25	-5	#16

Chicago's massive TO margin is the counterweight, while SF comes off a dominant MNF showing. Extra rest favors CHI, but the computer still leans SF slightly. Too tight to play either side.

NO PLAY: SAN FRANCISCO 25 CHICAGO 22

MONDAY, DECEMBER 29th

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
LA RAMS	421	148	273	31	+12	#23
ATLANTA	342	118	224	18	+1	#30

The Rams dominate across total yards, passing, scoring, and TO margin. Matthew Stafford should carve up ATL, and extra rest after TNF only sharpens the edge. Even if Davante Adams remains limited, the separation is clear. Rams will show why they're a top team in the league under the lights. PP here!.

4★: LA RAMS 31 ATLANTA 18

NFL-STREAKERS

ATS WINS

Jacksonville	6
San Francisco	5
LA Chargers	4
New Orleans	4
LA Rams	3
Minnesota	3
Pittsburgh	3

ATS LOSSES

Kansas City	7
Tampa Bay	7
Arizona	3
Dallas	3
NY Giants	3
NY Jets	3

OVERS

Detroit	5
Dallas	4
Denver	4
LA Rams	4
Buffalo	3
Jacksonville	3
Miami	3
New England	3
Pittsburgh	3

UNDERS

Kansas City	3

COLLEGE-STREAKERS

ATS WINS

Texas Tech	6
Oklahoma St	4
FIU	4
Toledo	4
Western Michigan	4
Utah St	4
Stanford	3
Oregon	3
Arizona	3
Kennesaw St	3
Washington St	3
Vanderbilt	3
Troy	3

ATS LOSSES

Maryland	5
UCF	5
UTEP	5
Cincinnati	4
Liberty	4
San Jose St	4
Wyoming	4
Southern Miss	4
Memphis	3
USC	3
Baylor	3
Ball St	3
Ohio	3
Texas A&M	3
Mississippi St	3
Coastal Carolina	3

OVERS

UTEP	6
UMass	6
Coastal Carolina	6
Louisiana	5
Northern Illinois	4
Vanderbilt	4
North Carolina	3
Wake Forest	3
Nebraska	3
Liberty	3
Missouri St	3
Buffalo	3
Auburn	3

UNDERS

Wisconsin	6
Wyoming	6
San Diego St	6
Troy	5
Old Dominion	5
Tulane	4
Virginia	4
Illinois	4
Iowa St	4
Arizona	4
Oregon St	4
LSU	4
Georgia	4
Boise St	3
Charlotte	3
Louisville	3
Ohio St	3
Oklahoma St	3
Kansas	3
Hawaii	3
New Mexico	3
Utah St	3
Oklahoma	3
Marshall	3
Georgia St	3

2025 NFL POWER RATINGS

We grade each team position by position and list the **2025** Power Ratings. Each week we update these Power Ratings in our weekly Power Sweep editions.

	TEAM	2025		TEAM	2025
1	SEATTLE	111	17	MINNESOTA	100
2	LA RAMS	110	18	CINCINNATI	98
3	JACKSONVILLE	109	19	NEW ORLEANS	98
4	SAN FRANCISCO	108	20	CAROLINA	97
5	BUFFALO	105	21	TENNESSEE	97
6	CHICAGO	104	22	ATLANTA	96
7	GREEN BAY	104	23	KANSAS CITY	94
8	HOUSTON	104	24	MIAMI	93
9	NEW ENGLAND	104	25	TAMPA BAY	93
10	PITTSBURGH	103	26	WASHINGTON	93
11	INDIANAPOLIS	102	27	CLEVELAND	91
12	PHILADELPHIA	102	28	DALLAS	91
13	DENVER	101	29	NY GIANTS	91
14	LA CHARGERS	101	30	ARIZONA	90
15	BALTIMORE	100	31	LAS VEGAS	88
16	DETROIT	100	32	NY JETS	87

POWER RATING PLAY OF THE WEEK: None