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EARLY ENTRIES FOR 2021 NFL DRAFT (1/17/21)

Name	POS	SCHOOL
Pouison Adebbo	CB	Stanford
Jack Anderson	OG	Texas Tech
Calvin Ashley	OT	Florida A&M
Tutu Atwell	WR	Louisville
Jhamon Ausbon	WR	Texas A&M
Christian Barmore	DT	Alabama
Roshod Bateman	DT	Minnesota
Nick Bolton	LB	Missouri
Larry Borom	OG	Missouri
Rakeem Boyd	RB	Oregon
Brady Breeze	S	Texas A&M
Bobby Brown	DT	Texas A&M
Dyami Brown	WR	North Carolina
Shakir Brown	WR	Michigan St
Spencer Brown	OT	Northwestern
Tyson Campbell	CB	Georgia
Jackson Carman	OT	Clemson
Jacky Chase	WR	LSU
Brady Christensen	OT	BYU
Andre Cisco	S	Syracuse
Nico Collins	WR	Michigan
Zaven Collins	LB	Tulsa
Samuel Cosmi	OT	Texas
Damonie Coxie	WR	Memphis
Ashtari Crosswell	S	Arizona St
Christian Darisaw	OT	Virginia Tech
Justin Davis	LB	Kentucky
Brennan Eagles	LB	Texas
Adrian Ealy	OT	Oklahoma
Caleb Farley	CB	Virginia Tech
Simi Fehoko	WR	Stanford
Paris Ford	S	Pittsburgh
Pat Freiermuth	TE	Penn St
James Garmwell	OT	Memphis
Mark Gilbert	DT	Duke
Tay Gowan	CB	UCF
Thomas Graham	CB	Oregon
Javon Green	OT	Kansas
Olajiah Griffin	CB	USC
Adrian Hardy	WR	Louisiana Tech
Kolby Horvath-Peel	S	Oklahoma St
Justin Hawkins	RB	Virginia Tech
Kylin Hill	RB	Mississippi St
Trey Hill	LB	Georgia
Anthony Hines	S	Texas A&M
Jevon Holland	LB	Oregon
Joycee Horn	CB	South Carolina
Chuba Hubbard	RB	Oklahoma St
Wyatt Hubert	DE	Kansas
James Hudson	DT	Cincinnati
Tolanoa Hufanga	S	USC
Creed Humphrey	C	Oklahoma
Warren Jackson	CB	Colorado St
Jerry Jenkins	QB	Arkansas
Jermar Jefferson	RB	Oregon St
Teven Jenkins	OT	Oklahoma St
Cade Johnson	WR	South Dakota St
Jamar Johnson	S	Indiana
Ernest Jones	LB	South Carolina
Mac Jones	QB	Alabama
Brevin Jordan	TE	Miami, FL
Kevin Joseph	DT	Kentucky
Joshua Kainoh	DE	Florida St
Bienden Knox	RB	Marshall
Trey Lance	QB	North Dakota St
Tre'Lan Lawrence	OT	Clemson
Walker Little	OT	Stanford
Hunter Long	TE	Boston College
Terrace Marshall	WR	LSU
Jalen Mayfield	QB	Michigan
Isiah McHuffie	LB	Boston College
Cameron McGrone	LB	Michigan
Isiah McKay	WR	Kent St
Arim McNeal	DT	NC Central
Evan McPherson	QB	BYU
Ifeatu Meliflonwu	CB	TCU
Byran Mills	CB	Mississippi
Dax Milne	WR	NC Central
Trevon Moehrig	S	Mississippi
Elijah Moore	WR	Mississippi
Rondale Moore	WR	Purdue
Israel Mukuamu	WR	South Carolina
Marcus Murphy	CB	Mississippi St
Jamie Newman	S	Georgia
Greg Newsome	DT	Northwestern
Rayon Nixon	DT	Iowa
Tre Norwood	CB	Oklahoma
Azeez Ojulari	LB	Georgia
Levi Onwuurizike	DT	Washington
Joseph Pascal	DT	Texas
Jason Oweh	LB	Penn St
Micha Parsons	LB	Penn St
Joel Poffenberger	RB	Buffalo
Ronnie Perkins	DE	Oklahoma
Joelan Phillips	DE	Miami, FL
Kyle Pitts	TE	Florida
Blake Proehl	WR	East Carolina
Dillon Radunz	DT	North Carolina
Gregory Rousseau	DT	Miami, FL
Chris Rumph	DE	Duke
Asante Samuel	CB	Florida St
Anthony Schwartz	WR	Auburn
Stevie Scott	RB	Indiana
Penel Sewell	OT	Oregon
Tyler Shelvin	DT	LSU
Roshawn Slater	OT	LSU
Eliason Smith	OT	Northwestern
Amon-Ra St. Brown	WR	USC
Caden Steers	S	Texas
Eric Stokes	CB	Georgia
Sage Surratt	WR	Wake Forest
Patrick Surtain	CB	Alabama
Ambry Thomas	WR	Michigan
Bryce Thompson	CB	Tennessee
Tommy Tremble	TE	Notre Dame
Joe Tryon	LB	Duke
Jay Tufele	DT	USC
Marton Tugpuluotu	DT	USC
Christian Tutt	CB	Auburn
Jalen Tywan	DT	Pittsburgh
Alijah Vera-Lucker	OT	USC
Kory Vincent	OT	LSU
Joylen Waddle	WR	Alabama
Shaun Wade	CB	Ohio St
Ar'Darius Washington	OT	TCU
Pro Wells	TE	TCU
Rochad Wildgoose	CB	Wisconsin
Javonte Williams	RB	North Carolina
Marlon Williams	WR	UCF
Pooka Williams	RB	Kansas
Seth Williams	RB	Auburn
Trill Williams	CB	Syracuse
Marco Wilson	CB	Florida
Zach Wilson	QB	Stanford
Nahshon Wright	CB	Oregon St

NFL PLAYOFF BOX SCORES

HANDICAPPING NOTES FOR THIS WEEK'S NFL CONFERENCE FINAL GAMES

2019 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
6 Tennessee	51	24	20	23-85	22-32-210	0
2 Kansas City	-7	35	27	27-112	23-35-292	0
2 Green Bay	46'	20	21	16-62	31-39-296	3
1 San Francisco	-8	37	19	42-285	6-8-69	0

Q&A about this upcoming round of the playoffs and our researched answers:

How do the home teams fare in this round? You would expect the home teams to have an edge and they are 45-34-1 57% ATS in the Finals since 1977. Vegas has been giving some extra compensation for the home field advantage in this round. From 1977-'89 the home teams were 15-7 ATS. Since 1990 they are just 30-29-1 ATS. There have been only 4 seasons when a #1 seed didn't advance which were 2008, 2010, 2012 and 2018. Remember, these teams do not have the advantage of an extra week of preparation like they did in the Divisional Rnd last week.

How often are the spreads over a td in the Finals? There have been 28 teams that have been favored by 7 points or more since 1990 in the Conference Final round. The big favorites are 13-15 ATS in that span, including just 7-11 ATS the last 18 occurrences. Kansas City & San Francisco both found themselves as at least TD chalk LY and both came away with the cover!

Is covering in the Divisional round an advantage when your opponent failed to cover? Actually, it is just the opposite. There have been only 22 times since 1987 when a team has won in the Divisional round but did not cover. The public has a short term memory and those teams usually fall out of favor and the spread compensates for their loss. These teams have actually gone 13-7-2 ATS in the finals including a 2-gm sweep by DEN and SEA in '13 as both failed to cover in their DIV matchups.

How do teams fare in this round following an OT win in the Divisional round? There have been 7 occurrences dating back to 2001 when a Divisional round game went into OT. Arizona was in that role a year ago and were hammered against CAR a week later. In '03 both CAR and PHI won their respective Divisional round matchups in OT before meeting in the NFC Championship a week later (14-3 CAR win).

How do teams with the better SU record fare in this round? In the last 24 years, teams with the better SU records are 28-25-1 53% ATS. However, in the last 7 years the team with the better record has gone 8-3 ATS and won 10 of 11 outright (lone loss was '18 with NE beating KC).

How do home underdogs in the AFC/NFC Title game rounds fare? Talk about RARE. Since 1986 there have been a grand total of 9 home dogs in this round (30 years!!!). Amazingly in 1997 there were TWO and both lost as DEN and GB won as AF's. The NYG were a HD as a #1 seed in 2000 and won while PIT lost as a #1 seed HD in 2004. In the L9Y it has happened 5 times with Arizona winning in '08, Chicago losing to GB in 2010, Atlanta losing to SF in '12, Denver knocking off NE in '15 and the Eagles winning in '17 against the Vikings.

No #1 seeds - Since 1990 when the NFL made the switch to 6 playoff teams the only 2 seasons when a #1 seed did not advance to the Conf Finals was 2008 and 2010. Both #1 seeds have advanced to the SB in 4 of the past 7 sns. Prior to that, both teams reached on just 3 occasions since 1990.

Over/Unders - In the L18 years the Conference Finals has gone Over 24 of 36 games (push in '14 between IND/NE). Since 1988 when both teams went Over in their DIV round they are 10-5 Over in the Conf Finals. Also of note is that in the 5 games since 1993 when both teams went Under the total in the DIV round, they also are a perfect 5-0 Over in the Finals. In 2011 and 2013 both Conf Finals went Under the total which was the first time since 2003.

2018 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
2 LA Rams	54'	26	19	26-77	26-41-301	1-1
1 New Orleans (OT)	-3	23	19	21-48	26-41-242	1-0
2 New England	56	37	36	48-176	30-46-348	2-0
1 Kansas City (OT)	-3'	31	18	12-41	16-31-249	0-0

2017 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
2 Minnesota	-3	7	22	18-70	28-48-263	2-1
1 Philadelphia	39	38	27	30-110	26-33-346	0-0
3 Jacksonville	46	20	22	32-101	23-36-273	0-0
1 New England	-7'	24	22	19-46	27-39-298	0-1

2016 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
4 Green Bay	60	21	24	17-99	27-45-287	1-1
3 Atlanta	-4	44	30	30-101	27-38-392	0-0
3 Pittsburgh	50	17	22	20-54	31-47-314	1-1
1 New England	-5	36	26	27-57	32-42-384	0-0

2015 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
2 Arizona	47'	15	21	16-60	23-41-227	4-3
1 Carolina	-3	49	21	37-152	19-28-324	1-0
2 New England	-3	18	20	17-44	27-56-292	2-0
1 Denver	45	20	12	30-99	17-32-145	0-1

2014 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
4 Indianapolis	52	7	17	19-83	12-33-126	2-1
1 New England	-7	45	28	40-177	23-35-220	1-0
2 Green Bay	44	22	19	30-135	19-34-171	2-0
1 Seattle	-8'	28	20	35-194	15-30-203	4-1

2013 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
2 New England	54'	16	19	16-64	24-38-256	0-0
1 Denver	-6'	26	27	28-107	32-43-400	0-0
5 San Francisco	40'	17	16	28-161	14-24-147	2-1
1 Seattle	-3	23	14	29-115	16-25-193	0-1

2012 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
4 Baltimore	51'	28	25	33-121	21-36-235	0-0
2 New England	-7'	13	28	28-108	29-54-320	2-1
2 San Francisco	-3'	28	21	29-149	16-21-224	0-1
1 Atlanta	48'	24	27	23-81	30-42-396	1-1

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SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	Game-by-Game		
no	L	L	O	+3/48	7-17	23-34	-11	+5	+39	+4	+35	-4		
CAR	W	W	O	-9/47	21-0	31-17	+14	-4	-88	+35	-123	+2		
den	W	W	U	-6/42	23-10	28-10	+18	+4	+127	+26	+101	+2		
LAC	W	T	O	-7/42	14-24	38-31	+7	+13	+160	+69	+91	+1		
chi	L	L	U	-3/44	13-14	19-20	-1	0	+96	+71	+25	0		
GB	W	W	U	+1/55	28-10	38-10	+28	+8	+123	+64	+59	+2		
lv	W	W	O	-4/51	21-10	45-20	+25	+10	+107	+9	+98	+1		
nyg	W	L	O	-12/45	6-14	25-23	+2	-1	-13	-20	+7	+1		
NO	L	L	U	-3/50	0-31	3-38	-35	-14	-226	-130	-96	-1		
car	W	W	O	-6/49	17-17	46-23	+23	+17	+357	+145	+212	0		
LAR	L	L	O	-4/48	14-17	24-27	-3	-2	-162	-9	-153	0		
KC	L	W	U	+3/56	7-20	24-27	-3	-6	-126	-12	-114	-1		
MIN	W	W	U	-7/52	17-6	26-14	+12	-10	-32	-55	+13	+1		
atl	W	L	U	-6/49	0-17	31-27	+4	+4	+47	+14	+33	0		
det	W	W	O	9/54	34-0	47-7	+40	+18	+402	+38	+364	+2		
ATL	W	W	O	-7/50	23-10	44-27	+17	+3	+100	-33	+133	+1		
was	W	L	O	-8/45	18-7	31-23	+8	+3	+132	+56	+76	0		
no	W	W	O	+3/52	13-13	30-20	+10	0	+22	+23	-1	+4		

RECENT PAST MEETINGS

2020	rec	line	Sc	Fd	Phys	Yds	Rush	Pass	TO
gb	4-0	-1	10	13	61	201	21-94	16-35	107 2
TB	3-2	55	38	21	63	324	35-158	17-28	166 0

2017	rec	line	Sc	Fd	Phys	Yds	Rush	Pass	TO
tb	4-7	45	20	25	74	395	35-165	21-32	230 1
GB	5-7	-2	26	16	53	276	29-199	13-22	77 1

GREEN BAY PACKERS

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	Game-by-Game		
min	W	W	O	+2/44	22-10	43-34	+9	+6	+140	+24	+116	+1		
DET	W	W	O	-6/50	17-14	42-21	+21	+7	+181	+170	+11	+1		
no	W	O	+3/53	13-17	37-30	+7	+3	-28	-24	-4	+1			
ATL	W	W	U	-6/56	20-3	30-16	+14	-2	-76	+39	+37	0		
tb	L	L	U	-1/55	10-28	10-38	-28	-8	-123	-62	-61	-2		
hou	W	W	O	-3/56	21-0	35-20	+15	+2	+14	+17	-3	+1		
MIN	L	L	O	-6/48	14-14	22-28	-6	+4	-76	-64	+140	-1		
sf	W	W	O	-6/48	21-3	34-17	+17	+4	+68	+56	+12	+1		
JAX	W	L	U	-13/47	17-10	24-20	+4	0	+135	-29	+164	-1		
ind	L	L	O	+1/51	28-14	31-34	-3	-2	-53	-74	+21	-2		
CHI	W	W	O	-8/44	27-10	41-25	+16	+2	+42	+60	-18	+3		
PHI	W	W	U	-8/49	14-3	30-16	+14	+3	+159	+32	+127	+1		
det	W	L	T	-7/55	14-14	31-24	+7	-1	+117	+69	+48	0		
CAR	W	L	O	-8/52	21-3	24-16	+8	0	-73	+80	-153	+1		
TEN	W	O	-3/53	19-7	40-14	+26	+12	+188	+78	+110	+1			
chi	W	W	O	-4/48	21-13	35-16	+19	-4	-40	-29	-11	+1		
LAR	W	O	-6/45	19-10	32-18	+14	+11	+240	+92	+148	0			

RECENT PAST MEETINGS

2020	rec	line	Sc	Fd	Phys	Yds	Rush	Pass	TO
kb	4-1	-5	26	27	73	466	46-245	21-26	221 1
BUF	4-1	56	17	20	50	206	23-84	14-27	122 1

2017	rec	line	Sc	Fd	Phys	Yds	Rush	Pass	TO
buf	5-5	46	16	17	68	268	37-104	19-29	164 0
KC	6-4	-9	10	14	57	236	19-55	23-36	181 1

KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	Game-by-Game		
HOU	W	W	T	-9/54	17-7	34-20	+14	+7	+9	+48	-39	+1		
lac	W	L	U	-8/47	6-14	23-20	+3	+5	-65	-58	-7	+1		
bal	W	W	U	+3/54	27-10	34-20	+14	+13	+289	-26	+315	0		
NE	W	L	O	-10/53	6-3	26-10	+16	-2	-34	-91	+57	+3		
LV	L	L	O	-11/54	24-24	32-40	-8	-1	-77	-64	-13	0		
buf	W	W	U	-5/54	13-10	26-17	+9	+7	+260	+161	+99	0		
den	W	W	O	-7/44	24-9	43-16	+27	-7	-125	-76	-49	+3		
NYJ	W	W	O	20/49	21-9	35-9	+26	+12	+275	-43	+298	+1		
CAR	W	L	O	-10/51	13-17	33-31	+2	-6	-38	-74	+36	-1		
lv	W	L	O	-7/57	14-17	35-31	+4	+11	+96	+19	+77	0		
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no	W	T	O	-3/53	14-9	32-29	+3	+19	+126	+119	+7	0		
ATL	W	L	U	-10/53	7-7	17-14	+3	0	+28	+27	+1	-1		
LAC	L	L	O	+5/43	14-24	21-38	-17	-11	-148	-84	-64	-1		
CLE	W	L	O	-10/57	19-3	22-17	+5	+3	+130	+11	+119	+1		

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TB-OFF vs GB-DEF TB-DEF vs GB-OFF

TEAMS	TB	GB	TEAMS	TB	GB
POINTS	29.9	23.5	POINTS	21.9	31.6
points scored rank	#5	#16	points scored rank	#7	#1
FIRST HALF PTS	222	150	FIRST HALF PTS	207	278
SECOND HALF PTS	226	203	SECOND HALF PTS	121	196
TOUCHDOWNS	54	41	TOUCHDOWNS	39	61
rush/pass/ret	15/38/1	15/23/3	rush/pass/ret	9/27/3	15/44/2
FD	22.4	20.7	FD	19.6	22.7
TOTAL NET YARDS	566.0	498.8	TOTAL NET YARDS	484.9	590.8
net yards rank	#12	#7	net yards rank	#6	#3
YARDS PER PLAY	5.9	5.5	YARDS PER PLAY	5.1	6.2
YARDS PER POINT	12.6	14.1	YARDS PER POINT	14.8	12.5
RUSH YARD/GAME	95.0	113.1	RUSH YARD/GAME	77.5	135.9
rush ypg rank	#28	#14	rush ypg rank	#1	#8
RUSHING YPC	4.1	4.6	RUSHING YPC	3.4	4.8
PASS YARD/GAME	282.3	219.4	PASS YARD/GAME	245.8	257.9
pass ypg rank	#3	#6	pass ypg rank	#22	#9
PASS ATTEMPTS	585	494	PASS ATTEMPTS	573	502
PASS COMP	384	313	PASS COMP	397	353
pass%	65.6	63.4	pass%	69.3	70.3
SACKS	21	40	SACKS	47	20
sack rank	#3	#9	sack rank	#3	#2
FUMBLES-LOST	12/5	14/6	FUMBLES-LOST	16/8	10/5
INTERCEPTIONS	11	10	INTERCEPTIONS	15	5
TOTAL TURNOVERS	16	16	TOTAL TURNOVERS	23	10
PENALTIES	81/692	78/718	PENALTIES	91/967	80/654
PUNTING	55-45.2	55-44.6	PUNTING	65-44.8	45-44.6
NET PUNTING	40.2	41.9	NET PUNTING	41.5	36.8
BLOCKED P	0	0	BLOCKED P	1	1
KICK RETURN AVG	21.5	24.1	KICK RETURN AVG	34.8	18.8
PUNT RETURN AVG	6.1	17.1	PUNT RETURN AVG	10.3	4.6
FIELD GOALS	25/28	21/24	FIELD GOALS	19/24	16/16
FG'S 50+	1/2	3/5	FG'S 50+	3/4	4/4
northcoast k rank	#19	-	northcoast k rank	-	#7
northcoast st rank	#27	-	northcoast st rank	-	#31

BUF-OFF vs KC-DEF BUF-DEF vs KC-OFF