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2018 COLLEGE STANDINGS

	Ttl Off	Scr Off	Ttl Def	Scr Def	Net Ypg	Avg Scr	SU		ATS		O/U	
							Conf	All	Conf	All	Conf	All
EAST	5	8	77	18	122.5	43-19						
	53	23	38	46	63.6	36-25						
	24	26	9	6	167.6	35-16						
	35	64	102	91	2.0	29-32						
	37	98	86	112	24.4	25-35						
	92	113	129	129	-240.4	22-50						
WEST	7	4	125	106	40.3	46-34						
	70	93	79	73	-17.8	26-28						
	6	6	66	81	132.8	44-30						
	77	56	91	110	-42.7	30-35						
	104	88	99	109	-77.7	26-35						
	90	103	76	82	-30.1	24-30						
BIG 12	1	1	111	100	134.8	50-33						
	60	46	63	51	21.6	32-25						
	8	9	75	60	114.9	42-27						
	100	82	39	37	9.3	27-22						
	39	71	81	87	28.4	28-31						
	93	96	29	43	30.2	25-24						
	12	16	108	86	37.2	37-31						
	10	14	98	96	62.9	38-32						
	113	111	73	53	-58.7	23-25						
	112	106	83	84	-68.6	24-30						
ATLANTIC	3	5	7	4	255.9	46-14						
	19	12	90	71	41.1	41-28						
	28	35	74	45	49.3	34-24						
	64	42	72	55	4.5	32-26						
	103	114	82	91	-55.2	22-32						
	34	39	116	102	-20.8	33-33						
	109	122	123	127	-130.9	20-44						
COASTAL	79	75	69	71	-13.8	28-28						
	54	23	46	79	51.6	36-29						
	80	68	24	31	49.2	29-22						
	50	67	96	93	-10.9	29-32						
	87	51	2	15	110.7	31-18						
	73	80	78	69	-19.7	27-27						
	38	79	107	107	-5.5	27-35						
EAST	46	20	1	13	164.8	37-18						
	2	7	67	57	145.1	43-26						
	49	28	36	21	71.4	35-20						
	115	122	14	14	31.5	20-18						
	97	68	60	78	-19.0	29-29						
	56	87	89	83	-8.6	26-30						
	127	129	70	90	-135.3	14-31						
WEST	110	107	48	29	-20.9	24-22						
	41	63	40	41	78.3	29-24						
	23	43	105	66	13.7	32-27						
	75	47	10	12	98.8	32-17						
	26	59	95	89	22.7	30-31						
	88	68	64	75	-15.8	29-28						
	61	92	127	123	-98.4	26-39						
NORTH	22	15	30	39	116.4	38-23						
	51	75	13	8	110.0	28-17						
	68	58	87	48	-19.9	30-25						
	32	17	61	63	55.4	37-27						
	111	108	16	26	32.5	24-21						
	65	90	128	128	-131.9	26-46						
SOUTH	59	52	15	17	98.8	31-19						
	47	55	71	49	25.3	31-25						
	25	48	94	88	25.7	31-33						
	84	90	59	63	-5.1	26-27						
	71	97	104	105	-52.3	25-34						
	71	81	55	66	12.6	27-27						
IND	27	33	23	11	124.6	34-17						
	107	94	19	29	28.5	25-22						
	81	54	11	16	83.1	31-19						
	40	38	124	126	-49.3	33-43						
	40	38	124	126	-49.3	33-43						
	98	95	120	125	-105.7	25-41						

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EAST	13	13	12	10	177.3	40-17						
	101	84	21	7	39.9	27-16						
	48	31	26	23	87.5	35-20						
	33	37	101	80	5.0	33-29						
	17	19	54	43	89.8	37-24						
	69	77	85	49	-22.1	28-25						
	121	110	51	75	-51.9	23-28						
WEST	4	2	6	3	255.8	49-14						
	76	44	31	24	43.2	32-21						
	20	27	35	58	111.0	35-26						
	67	65	3	1	133.6	29-12						
	94	71	45	19	10.7	28-20						
	9	32	122	115	27.2	34-36						
	117	115	80	108	-78.1	22-35						
MOUNTAIN	11	3	57	38	107.7	47-23						
	18	18	43	36	107.1	37-22						
	118	119	20	34	4.7	21-22						
	55	109	113	119	-34.7	23-37						
	57	57	42	56	54.1	30-26						
	119	84	119	115	-142.1	27-36						
WEST	44	22	17	2	109.8	36-14						
	36	40	53	77	64.7	32-28						
	42	41	100	111	-4.7	32-35						
	108	112	22	31	26.6	22-22						
	74	66	115	120	-65.1	29-37						
	122	117	126	117	-172.7	21-37						
EAST	78	60	32	27	37.1	30-21						
	43	30	4	5	153.4	35-15						
	114	49	44	28	-18.1	31-22						
	86	83	114	101	-71.8	27-33						
	84	104	121	121	-95.8	24-37						
	21	44	50	59	87.2	32-26						
	30	34	103	104	5.7	34-34						
	58	84	92	94	-15.8	27-32						
	105	100	99	122	-92.3	24-39						
	120	122	56	70	-54.4	20-28						
WEST	83	61	49	51	9.3	30-25						
	62	28	58	46	22.6	35-25						
	89	73	18	22	53.5	28-20						
	14	49	84	94	59.6	31-32						
	102	118	88	73	-58.1	21-28						
	116	115	25	61	1.7	22-27						
	45	52	118	113	-43.7	31-36						
	66	61	8	9	115.8	30-17						
	95	100	33	40	22.3	24-24						
	15	21	41	33	113.3	36-22						
	99	89	5	20	87.5	26-20						
	125	126	65	99	-86.9	18-33						
	123	125	106	114	-127.7	19-36						
	129	128	97	87	-188.4	14-31						
	52	25	28	41	76.0	35-24						
	16	10	68	62	71.3	41-27						
	96	74	62	54	3.8	28-26						
	126	120	67	65	-94.4	20-27						
	106	99	110	124	-93.5	24-40						
	82	104	117	118	-85.7	24-37						
EAST	124	121	27	24	-26.0	20-21						
	31	36	52	103	69.2	33-33						
	91	78	34	34	24.2	28-22						
	29	11	93	85	17.6	41-30						
	63	100	112	96	-41.5	24-32						
	128	127	37	68	-101.3	15-27						
WEST	Georgia	7-1	11-1	5-3	7-5	4-3-1	6-5-1					
	Kentucky	5-3	9-3	4-4	6-6	1-7	5-7					
	Florida	5-3	9-3	4-4	8-4	4-3-1	7-4-1					
	South Carolina	4-4	6-5	4-4	7-4	4-4	7-4					
	Missouri	4-4	8-4	4-4	7-5	3-5	7-5					
	Vanderbilt	3-5	6-6	5-3	8-4	2-6	3-9					
	Tennessee	2-6	5-7	4-4	5-7	4-4	5-7					
	Alabama	8-0	12-0	6-2	8-4	4-4	7-5					
	LSU	5-3	9-3	5-3	6-6	4-4	6-6					
	Texas A&M	5-3	8-4	5-3	9-3	3-5	6-6					
	Miss St	4-4	8-4	4-4	8-4	1-7	3-9					
	Auburn	3-5	7-5	2-6	4-8	3-5	4-8					
	Mississippi	1-7	5-									

WEEK THIRTEEN COLLEGE MATCHUP HISTORY

CAPS Home Team Year in '14 column
lower case away team last time they met
† Neutral site No yr In '14 column
(B) Bowl game first meeting
(C) Conf Champ

FRIDAY, November 30, 2018

MAC Championship

NC Open	2017	- niu	-6/50	14-13
Northern Illinois	2016	- NIU	-23/60'	44-7
Buffalo	-4	2015	- niu	-6/55
PAC 12 Championship				
NC Open	2018	- uw	-4/46'	21-7
Utah	2017	- UW	-17/46'	33-30
Washington	-10	-4'	2016	- uw

SATURDAY, December 1, 2018

CUSA Championship

NC Open	2018	- MTSU	+3/51'	27-3
UAB	-3	2017	- UAB	+4/54'
Middle Tenn	-2'	2016	-	
NC Open	2017	-		
East Carolina	2016	- ECU	+6/57'	33-30
NC State	-28	-24	2015	-
NC Open	2017	-		
Akron	2016	-		
South Carolina	-31	-28'	2015	-

NC Open 2017 - SU -14/55' 17-14

SBC Championship

Stanford	-1	-2'	2016	- su	-10/64	45-31
California	2015	- SU	-9/64	35-22		
AAC Championship						
NC Open	2018	- ucf	-5/81	31-30		
Memphis	-1	2017	- ucf (C)	-7/81	62-55	
UCF	-3'	2017	- UCF	-4/68'	40-13	
BIG 12 Championship						
NC Open	2017	- ut (†)	+7/60'	48-45		
Texas	2017	- ou (†)	-9/64	29-24		
Oklahoma	-3	-7'	2016	- ou (†)	-13/72'	45-40

NC Open 2018 - ASU -25/61' 27-17

MW Championship

NC Open	2018	- ASU	-25/61'	27-17
App St	-14	-17'	2017	- asu
NC Open	2017	-		
NC Open	2017	-		
SEC Championship				
NC Open	2017	- ua (†)(NC)	-3/45'	26-23
Georgia	2016	-		
Alabama	-11	-13'	2015	- ua

NC Open 2018 - BSU +2/55' 24-27

ACC Championship

NC Open	2018	- BSU	+2/55'	24-27
Fresno St	2017	- bsu (C)	-9/51'	17-14
Boise St	-6	-2'	2017	- fsu
ACC Championship				
NC Open	2017	-		
Pittsburgh	2016	- up	-21/64'	43-42
Clemson	-31	-25	2015	-
BIG10 Championship				
NC Open	2017	-		
Northwestern	2016	- OSU	-26/52'	24-20
Ohio St	-13	-14	2015	-

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, last year, Florida Atlantic's defense vs the rush was rated at 119. They faced Alabama and allowed "just" 256 yds rushing and dropped 5 spots in the national overall defensive ratings. However, Power Plays took into account the potent Crimson Tide run attack and had forecasted the Owls 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. Another example last season was Wisconsin vs UTEP. Wisconsin held UTEP to just 77 yards rushing and stayed the same in the overall defense in the national statistics. However, our ratings had them rated at 15 and moved them down, as they should have yielded just 50 yards to a weak UTEP rush attack. 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 last year, Tigers QB James Franklin was injured early in the game. His backup, who had seen very little action (rF), 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 Phil's 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: Last season, 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.

WEEKLY MATCHUP STAT COMPARISON

	*FCS LAST YEAR	PPG Off Avg	Off Rush YPG	Off Rush YPC	Off Pass YPG	Off Comp %	PPG Def Avg	Def Rush YPC	Def Rush YPG	Def Pass YPG	Def Comp %
A	Northern Illinois	19.8	159.0	3.7	148.7	57.8	23.5	108.5	2.7	244.8	55.9
H	Buffalo	36.5	191.5	4.6	227.8	57.6	23.7	163.7	3.6	171.0	54.2
A	Utah	28.7	194.3	4.5	186.0	59.0	18.3	95.2	2.9	258.0	59.2
H	Washington	33.8	201.0	5.1	248.0	69.4	14.8	114.8	3.6	180.8	63.0
A	UAB	26.6	219.8	5.1	191.4	52.3	19.0	153.6	4.2	140.6	51.4
H	Middle Tenn	34.0	123.3	3.4	251.3	66.2	21.0	158.3	4.0	247.8	51.8
A	Memphis	26.5	168.0	5.1	206.3	50.0	36.3	220.0	4.5	236.0	60.7
H	UCF	44.6	257.1	5.7	278.4	55.1	21.0	220.1	4.6	168.3	52.6
A	Oklahoma	46.3	259.8	6.5	307.8	69.0	37.0	120.8	3.9	303.3	64.1
H	Texas	30.7	171.3	3.9	254.2	67.4	20.0	117.8	3.9	241.8	55.1
A	Louisiana	19.8	166.4	4.4	184.2	59.4	38.4	218.2	5.2	268.0	69.9
H	Appalachian St	41.5	316.5	7.0	207.8	66.7	12.0	113.5	3.3	167.8	55.8
A	Alabama	53.0	235.4	5.7	323.6	65.8	14.6	69.2	2.3	205.8	52.8
H	Georgia	44.3	290.7	7.2	244.3	73.4	11.5	109.7	4.0	162.7	64.9
A	Fresno St	29.3	119.8	3.5	280.0	69.7	12.0	151.2	3.8	171.2	53.7
H	Boise St	35.2	178.6	4.5	280.2	69.2	17.4	119.0	3.7	228.4	64.6
A	Pittsburgh	24.0	172.2	4.6	168.0	63.2	25.6	123.2	3.5	263.2	64.9
H	Clemson	44.3	274.5	6.9	256.5	62.9	11.0	91.2	2.4	156.3	55.8
A	Northwestern	23.2	116.2	3.0	222.0	59.8	17.0	115.6	4.4	229.2	60.7
H	Ohio St	48.8	204.3	4.9	273.0	75.6	18.5	135.2	3.8	203.8	54.9
A	East Carolina	12.3	107.3	3.2	245.3	38.9	31.0	150.3	3.5	283.3	62.8
H	NC State	33.0	137.2	3.6	319.0	71.6	19.8	107.5	3.6	269.7	62.4
A	Marshall	30.3	158.4	4.6	240.0	53.8	22.8	85.5	2.5	262.5	58.5
H	Virginia Tech	29.6	157.8	4.6	257.9	59.7	36.0	210.6	5.5	170.2	62.7
A	Akron	17.8	101.0	3.0	186.7	47.4	26.8	173.2	4.1	236.0	63.3
H	South Carolina	33.7	163.8	4.8	260.7	64.9	25.0	168.3	4.3	222.3	62.4
A	Stanford	24.5	82.5	2.9	269.8	67.5	27.3	177.8	4.1	292.8	66.7
H	California	22.4	167.2	4.1	180.8	59.6	25.8	172.4	4.0	168.2	59.2

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	BIG TEN	BIG 12	PAC-12	ACC	AAC
Alabama 147 Miss St 133 Georgia 143 Missouri 128 Florida 130 LSU 130 Texas A&M 129 Auburn 134 Kentucky 117 Vanderbilt 116 S Carolina 132 Tennessee 115 Mississippi 122 Arkansas 121	Start Current Ohio St 145 128 Michigan 139 124 Penn St 136 120 Iowa 128 120 Nebraska 121 114 Purdue 124 113 Northwestern 128 113 Michigan St 140 110 Minnesota 123 109 Wisconsin 143 108 Indiana 124 107 Maryland 117 106 Illinois 115 97 Rutgers 111 97	Start Current Oklahoma 142 126 Texas 134 121 West Virginia 128 121 Iowa St 133 118 Oklahoma St 130 115 Kansas St 131 114 TCU 128 110 Baylor 128 109 Texas Tech 125 107 Kansas 111 104	Start Current Washington 141 121 Utah 131 119 Wash St 118 118 Oregon 125 114 Stanford 134 113 Arizona St 121 112 California 128 111 USC 133 109 Arizona 129 106 UCLA 122 106 Colorado 119 101 Oregon St 110 89	Start Current Clemson 144 138 Miami, FI 133 121 Syracuse 116 118 Pittsburgh 132 117 Georgia Tech 125 115 N Carolina St 130 115 Wake Forest 128 112 Boston College 133 110 Virginia 112 110 Duke 133 110 N Carolina 127 106 Florida St 129 105 Virginia Tech 126 104 Louisville 128 83	Start Current UCF 126 119 Temple 124 113 Cincinnati 108 112 Memphis 130 112 Houston 120 106 SMU 108 99 Tulane 114 98 Navy 124 97 Tulsa 112 96 USF 114 95 E Carolina 105 91 Connecticut 103 73

MOUNTAIN WEST	CUSA	MAC	SUN BELT	INDEPENDENT
Boise St 131 Utah St 117 Fresno St 124 Wyoming 119 San Diego St 120 Air Force 115 Nevada 117 UNLV 110 Colorado St 106 Hawaii 89 San Jose St 90 New Mexico 104	Start Current Middle Tenn 118 108 UAB 112 103 Marshall 119 103 S Miss 103 102 FIU 106 98 FAU 125 97 North Texas 112 96 Charlotte 99 96 WKU 101 93 La Tech 119 92 Old Dominion 109 88 Rice 96 85 UTSA 99 80 UTEP 94 77	Start Current Ohio 122 111 Buffalo 115 108 Miami, OH 117 108 Toledo 118 105 E Michigan 113 101 N Illinois 117 101 W Michigan 111 94 Akron 106 87 Bowling Green 106 87 Ball St 96 86 Kent St 97 85 C Michigan 107 79	Start Current Appalachian St 116 111 Arkansas St 111 105 Troy 117 101 Georgia Southern 108 100 Louisiana 97 96 ULM 110 93 Texas St 93 84 Georgia St 99 82 Coastal Carolina 102 82 S Alabama 103 81	Start Current Notre Dame 136 128 Army 119 110 BYU 114 107 UMass 110 87 Liberty 95 85 N Mexico St 102 80

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The Power Plays Newsletter consists of forecasts that are made by a special rating system. You will see in the write-ups that we agree with the majority of the PP forecasts. However, there are times when we will disagree. We want to make it clear that this is the PP Newsletter and these forecasts are based purely on the power ratings. If the PP's rating is strong enough to be a 4★ Play, yet we are on the other side of the game, we will clearly state that we like the other side of the game. With all that said here are this week's PP Selections.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 30TH
MAC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

Ford Field - Detroit, MI

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	323	203	120	21	+1	-
BUFFALO	364	132	232	25	+6	-

Power Plays has this game finishing at the opening line. These schools didn't play each other this season and NIU won last year on the road 14-13 (-6). Buffalo is making their 2nd MAC Championship appearance. They upset #12 Ball St to win the 2008 MAC Title. The Huskies are making their MAC best, 8th appearance, but their first since playing in 6 straight from '10-'15. They are just 3-4 SU in the Championship game last winning the Title in 2014. NIU HC Carey does have the edge here as he coached the Huskies in their last 3 trips here as UB HC Leipold is making his first, but Carey did go just 1-2 in those games (all vs BG). Leipold does have post ssn experience, as he led Wisconsin Whitewater to SEVEN Div III Championship games winning 6.

NO PLAY: BUFFALO 25 NORTHERN ILLINOIS 21

PAC-12 CHAMPIONSHIP

Levi's Stadium - Santa Clara, CA

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
UTAH	303	164	139	24	+2	✓✓✓
WASHINGTON	367	155	212	25	+1	-

Power Plays is calling for Utah to keep this game closer than expected, but we disagree and lean with Washington. Earlier this year Washington went on the road as 4th pt chalk and came away with a solid 21-7 victory holding the Utes to a season low in both points (avg 31 ppg TY) and yards (avg 415 ypg in '18). In fact, five of the six P12 matchups have gone in favor of the Huskies with a 29-21 average score. This is Washington's second P12 Championship game appearance and the first for Utah. The Utes are without their starting quarterback and their 1,000 yard running back, while Washington has a fourth year starting quarterback and is used to playing in big games.

NO PLAY: WASHINGTON 25 UTAH 24

SATURDAY DECEMBER 1ST

CUSA CHAMPIONSHIP

Johnny "Red" Floyd Stadium - Murfreesboro, TN

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
UAB	303	150	154	20	-2	-
MIDDLE TENNESSEE	370	121	250	29	+4	-

Power Plays is calling for Middle Tennessee to win their first CUSA Championship, but we disagree and feel UAB will pull out the win. This is a rematch from last week when Middle Tennessee allowed 89 total yards including -1 rush. UAB lost LG Cook to illness just before the game and RB Powers was ejected in the 2Q. It's possible the entire OL could be back this week. RB Spencer Brown has 993 (4.6), but only had 1 carry last week after feeling discomfort in pregame. QB Erdely, who missed 3 str starts, returned last week but went just 9-20-90-0-1. With another week to get healthy, UAB will be much stronger and last weeks result gives Blazer backers value this week.

NO PLAY: MIDDLE TENNESSEE 29 UAB 20

AAC CHAMPIONSHIP

Brighthouse Network Stadium - Orlando, FL

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
MEMPHIS	475	289	186	30	+1	✓✓✓
UCF	531	238	293	40	+16	-

It's no surprise that Power Plays is leaning with UCF, however due to QB McKenzie Milton being injured and out for the season, we are backing Memphis to pull off the outright upset. This is the fourth meeting the last two years and a rematch of last years AAC Title game. Memphis hosted UCF on October 13th & led 30-17 with a 339-237 yard edge at halftime, but was shutout in the second half and lost 31-30 (+5). The Tigers did finish with 27-18 first down and 490-461 yard edges. UCF has won 12 in a row SU in the series and since 2009 the home team in this series is 7-0-1 ATS. Memphis is 8-4-1 as an AD & is on a 12-4 overall ATS run.

NO PLAY: UCF 40 MEMPHIS 30

BIG 12 CHAMPIONSHIP

AT&T Stadium - Arlington, TX

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
OKLAHOMA	556	250	306	45	-2	-
TEXAS	501	181	320	42	+7	-

Power Plays is calling for Texas to keep this game closer than expected and we agree. This is Oklahoma's tenth B12 Title game appearance (8-1 SU/6-2-1 ATS) and Texas' sixth (3-2 SU/2-3 ATS) as these schools are meeting in the Title game for the first time. In their prior meeting this year on October 6th Texas led by 21 points in the fourth quarter, but Oklahoma scored three td's in a six minute span to tie it with 2:38 left. The 'Horns then drove 52/9pl and hit the game winning 40 yard fg with :09 left. The last five meetings have been decided by seven points or less and Texas is on a 6-0 ATS series run. Texas head coach Tom Herman continues to thrive in the underdog role as he's now 13-1 ATS with 10 outright upsets.

3★ TEXAS 42 (+) OKLAHOMA 45

SUN BELT CHAMPIONSHIP

Kidd-Brewer Stadium - Boone, NC

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
LOUISIANA	321	173	149	21	-2	-
APPALACHIAN ST	462	266	197	39	+5	✓✓✓

Power Plays has the first ever Sun Belt Championship game finishing near the opening line. App St has dominated this series, winning the 5 previous meetings by a combined score of 177-54 (avg MOV 25 ppg). They met earlier this season here and the Cajuns (+25') only trailed 17-10 at the half in a 27-17 loss. In that game App St held Louisiana's offensive attack (448 ypg) to 136 yds under their season average. While the projections all lean in favor of App St, we can't overlook the fact that Louisiana hasn't lost to a non Power Five team by more than 10 points this year. Louisiana is 28-16-1 as an AD and 4-0-1 on the road this year, while App St is 8-14-2 as home chalk.

NO PLAY: APPALACHIAN ST 39 LOUISIANA 21

SEC CHAMPIONSHIP

Mercedes-Benz Stadium - Atlanta, GA

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
ALABAMA	432	139	294	40	+12	-
GEORGIA	368	205	164	27	+3	✓

PP has this gm finishing at the opening line. This is a rematch of LY's Nat'l Title gm & possibly a defacto playoff game. Bama won this gm from '14-'16 (2-1 ATS). HC Saban is 5-1 SU/4-2 ATS in SEC Title gms. These 2 also met in the '12 SEC Title gm w/Bama winning 32-28 (-7). UGA is ply'g in their 2nd straight SEC Title game after beating Auburn 28-7 (E) last year. HC Kirby Smart is 7-1 ATS in neutral site games and Georgia has covered their last four as an underdog. The yards forecast suggests just a four point margin of victory, and we lean with the Bulldogs making this a no play.

NO PLAY: ALABAMA 40 GEORGIA 27

MW CHAMPIONSHIP

Albertsons Stadium- Boise, ID

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
FRESNO ST	352	74	278	19	+13	-
BOISE ST	444	153	291	27	+10	-

Rematch of LY's MW Title gm, won by Boise St. The Broncos also won this ssn's matchup, also on the blue turf, rallying from a 17-3 deficit to win 24-17. The Broncos have won 7 straight and are +87 ypg in MW play and +109 ypg at home. FSU is +102 ypg in MW play but only +58 ypg on the road. Both tms have solid defenses, but the Broncos hold a stronger edge on OFF (#18 vs #58) and are at home. PP calls for Boise St to win by just over a td, w/a 444-352 yd edge. We completely agree and will call for the Broncos to repeat as MW Champs.

4★ BOISE ST 27 FRESNO ST 19

ACC CHAMPIONSHIP

Bank of America Stadium - Charlotte, NC

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
PITTSBURGH	291	130	161	14	+5	✓✓✓
CLEMSON	499	226	273	39	+1	-

The Tigers are playing in their 4th straight ACC Title gm while Pitt is playing in their first ever. CU has won their L7 gms by 39.1 ppg. Pitt was dominated at Miami LW 24-3, getting outgd' by 145 yds. The Panthers avg 261 rush ypg in ACC play but PP calls for them to put up just 130 rush yds vs CU's vaunted DL and Pitt QB Pickett has thrown for 200+ yds just once all year. PP calls for this to finish right at the opening line.

NO PLAY: CLEMSON 39 PITTSBURGH 14

BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Lucas Oil Stadium - Indianapolis, IN

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NORTHWESTERN	344	118	226	21	+3	-
OHIO ST	549	154	395	35	+5	✓✓✓

NW is making their first B10 Title gm trip while OSU 2nd straight and 4th overall. The Wildcats have won 7 of their L8 yet finished -21 ypg on the ssn and -27 ypg in B10 play. OSU is off a dominating win over Michigan where their OFF put up 332 yds more than the Wolverines all'd on avg. PP calls for this to finish right at the opening line of 2 td's, though OSU is given a +205 yd edge. The Cats are on a 13-2-1 run as the dog and we feel they keep it slightly closer.

NO PLAY: OHIO ST 35 NORTHWESTERN 21

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
EAST CAROLINA	367	57	310	16	-14	-
NC STATE	538	145	393	46	+2	✓

Added gm due to cancellations caused by Hurricane Florence. NCSt started the ssn winning their F/5, but finished 3-3 down the stretch, getting outgd' in all but one of those. EC won 2 of their F/4, then had a series of unfortunate losses. Their most recent effort was a concerning 50 pt loss at Cincy (outgd' by 338 yds). PP calls for NCSt to win by 30 pts and we agree as EC seems to be just going through the motions.

4.5★ NC STATE 46 EAST CAROLINA 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
MARSHALL	357	130	228	25	+1	✓
VIRGINIA TECH	444	175	270	29	+2	-

Added gm due to cancellations caused by weather. VT enters off emotional OT win over UVA. Marshall has won 3 straight incl by 3 pts at FIU LW. VT's young defense is allowing foes to put up 51 ypg more than their avg (#105 in FBS) while MU is holding foes to 50 ypg below their avg (#33 in FBS). VT the edge on OFF and a win here extends the Hokies' bowl streak.

NO PLAY: VIRGINIA TECH 29 MARSHALL 25

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
AKRON	314	95	219	16	-6	-
SOUTH CAROLINA	559	259	300	48	-3	✓✓✓

Added gm thanks to early ssn cancellations due to weather. Two wks ago SC put up 602 yds vs FCS Chattanooga, not so impressive. LW they put up 600 yds vs Clemson in a 21 pt loss, much more impressive! PP calls for SC to put up 559 yds vs Akron who comes in off 4 str DD losses. SC has ply'd much tougher sked (#16 vs #95) & has a huge edge on OFF, avg 107 ypg less than their foes allow (#127). We agree with PP and like SC to win by over 30 pts.

2★ SOUTH CAROLINA 48 AKRON 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
STANFORD	350	103	247	24	+1	✓
CALIFORNIA	382	128	254	24	0	-

This rivalry game was originally sked 2 wks ago but was postponed (fires). Cal enters having won 4 of their L/5 despite avg 238 ypg in their L/4. Stanford has won their L/2, with the prev 2 losses coming by 7 tl pts vs WSU & at Wash. PP calls for Cal to hold a 382-350 yd edge but can't predict a winner. Cal has a significant def edge (#8 vs #89) but Stanford has a significant OFF edge (#45 vs #119). This is a clear tossup game and we would rather sit back and watch.

NO PLAY: CALIFORNIA 24 STANFORD 24

WHERE THEY RANK....

A breakdown of each team's yards per game, where it ranks vs other FBS teams, the TO's, average score and schedule rank.

Air Force is 31.1 ypg #44 -17 TO's w/a 22.2-50.4 avg score vs #68 sked.
Akron is -118.3 ypg #126 0 TO's w/a 25.7-27.8 avg score vs #64 sked.
Alabama is 162.5 ypg #2 14 TO's w/a 40.8-27.8 avg score vs #73 sked.
Appalachian St is 10.4 ypg #65 16 TO's w/a 23.8-30 avg score vs #19 sked.
Arizona is 46.6 ypg #33 0 TO's w/a 36.9-24.4 avg score vs #15 sked.
Arizona St is 47.1 ypg #32 -6 TO's w/a 30.8-35.9 avg score vs #121 sked.
Arkansas is -35.1 ypg #99 -5 TO's w/a 27.2-27.4 avg score vs #42 sked.
Arkansas St is 36.2 ypg #40 8 TO's w/a 27.7-25.1 avg score vs #22 sked.
Army is -22.9 ypg #87 2 TO's w/a 21.1-27.8 avg score vs #99 sked.
Auburn is 0.9 ypg #69 1 TO's w/a 28.1-20.3 avg score vs #113 sked.
Ball State is -9 ypg #74 -4 TO's w/a 26.6-36.2 avg score vs #83 sked.
Baylor is 23.7 ypg #52 10 TO's w/a 37-22.3 avg score vs #71 sked.
Boise St is 73.7 ypg #20 8 TO's w/a 36.4-21.8 avg score vs #128 sked.
Boston Coll is -9.9 ypg #76 8 TO's w/a 26.3-34.9 avg score vs #69 sked.
Bowling Green is -39 ypg #102 -4 TO's w/a 27.1-27.3 avg score vs #49 sked.
Buffalo is 38.4 ypg #37 -3 TO's w/a 33-29.4 avg score vs #16 sked.
Byu is -43.6 ypg #105 1 TO's w/a 33.9-36.2 avg score vs #41 sked.
C Michigan is -119.3 ypg #127 1 TO's w/a 25.4-21.7 avg score vs #62 sked.
California is -55.7 ypg #112 -1 TO's w/a 26.2-19.8 avg score vs #122 sked.
Charlotte is -64.2 ypg #118 -5 TO's w/a 26.7-33.2 avg score vs #116 sked.
Cincinnati is -26.8 ypg #92 -1 TO's w/a 30.3-25.8 avg score vs #76 sked.
Clemson is 124.5 ypg #5 -11 TO's w/a 21.9-31.5 avg score vs #10 sked.
Coastal Carolina is -26.7 ypg #91 -16 TO's w/a 17.7-32.8 avg score vs #120 sked.
Colorado is -14.5 ypg #82 7 TO's w/a 36.8-17.6 avg score vs #13 sked.
Colorado St is 16.2 ypg #57 10 TO's w/a 34.5-20.4 avg score vs #66 sked.
Connecticut is -35.8 ypg #101 -4 TO's w/a 18.9-36 avg score vs #103 sked.
Duke is 26.2 ypg #50 3 TO's w/a 23.7-21.7 avg score vs #21 sked.
E Michigan is -12.8 ypg #80 -7 TO's w/a 32.3-28.1 avg score vs #98 sked.
East Carolina is 13.5 ypg #61 5 TO's w/a 34.5-15.4 avg score vs #126 sked.
Florida is 32.8 ypg #42 -7 TO's w/a 34.7-26.3 avg score vs #12 sked.
Florida Atlantic is 84.6 ypg #15 1 TO's w/a 14.2-31.2 avg score vs #90 sked.
Florida Int'l is -28.7 ypg #94 0 TO's w/a 29.2-31.5 avg score vs #79 sked.
Florida St is -24.5 ypg #88 -7 TO's w/a 31.1-31.8 avg score vs #91 sked.
Fresno St is 12.7 ypg #62 -8 TO's w/a 25.3-41.3 avg score vs #119 sked.
Georgia is 102.1 ypg #9 13 TO's w/a 41.2-26.7 avg score vs #115 sked.
Georgia Southern is -60.8 ypg #114 -15 TO's w/a 13.5-31.4 avg score vs #9 sked.
Georgia St is -0.3 ypg #71 -6 TO's w/a 20.4-27.1 avg score vs #95 sked.
Georgia Tech is 40.7 ypg #34 13 TO's w/a 36.3-13.5 avg score vs #96 sked.
Hawaii is 14.8 ypg #59 6 TO's w/a 46.4-34.4 avg score vs #89 sked.
Houston is 115 ypg #7 -4 TO's w/a 24.2-38.8 avg score vs #100 sked.
Illinois is 14.7 ypg #60 3 TO's w/a 40.1-17.2 avg score vs #50 sked.
Indiana is 55.5 ypg #25 -3 TO's w/a 29.3-24.3 avg score vs #52 sked.
Iowa is -28.2 ypg #93 6 TO's w/a 28.3-19.6 avg score vs #47 sked.
Iowa St is -45.2 ypg #106 -2 TO's w/a 33.7-34 avg score vs #101 sked.
Kansas is -34.4 ypg #98 2 TO's w/a 19.8-18 avg score vs #5 sked.
Kansas St is -76.3 ypg #119 2 TO's w/a 28.7-31.6 avg score vs #53 sked.
Kent St is -63 ypg #117 0 TO's w/a 26.6-16.3 avg score vs #55 sked.
Kentucky is -40.1 ypg #104 -4 TO's w/a 31.3-32.6 avg score vs #51 sked.
Liberty is 17.4 ypg #55 1 TO's w/a 21.3-36.6 avg score vs #63 sked.
Louisiana Tech is -21.5 ypg #86 4 TO's w/a 20.7-22 avg score vs #74 sked.
Louisiana is 60.4 ypg #22 -4 TO's w/a 32.8-42.9 avg score vs #111 sked.
Louisville is -25.7 ypg #89 1 TO's w/a 33.2-33.3 avg score vs #94 sked.
Lsu is 32.1 ypg #43 1 TO's w/a 30.2-24.7 avg score vs #30 sked.
Marshall is -9.2 ypg #75 -7 TO's w/a 28.5-27.9 avg score vs #33 sked.
Maryland is -8.2 ypg #72 7 TO's w/a 32-25.7 avg score vs #129 sked.
Memphis is 57.2 ypg #24 0 TO's w/a 23.6-21.1 avg score vs #56 sked.
Miami (Oh) is -19.8 ypg #84 11 TO's w/a 47.2-23 avg score vs #109 sked.
Miami Fla is -26.4 ypg #90 -3 TO's w/a 22.3-21.8 avg score vs #130 sked.
Michigan is 53 ypg #26 12 TO's w/a 49-13.8 avg score vs #45 sked.
Michigan St is -34.2 ypg #97 1 TO's w/a 45.7-14 avg score vs #57 sked.
Middle Tenn is -12.8 ypg #79 -4 TO's w/a 32.8-42.9 avg score vs #111 sked.
Minnesota is -20 ypg #85 1 TO's w/a 34.6-20 avg score vs #25 sked.
Miss St is 21.2 ypg #53 5 TO's w/a 30.8-18.7 avg score vs #104 sked.
Mississippi is 151.1 ypg #3 1 TO's w/a 19.9-20.9 avg score vs #65 sked.
Missouri is 109.3 ypg #8 1 TO's w/a 28-16.5 avg score vs #39 sked.

N Carolina is 49.9 ypg #30 1 TO's w/a 26.8-22.4 avg score vs #2 sked.
N Illinois is -58.6 ypg #113 9 TO's w/a 28.5-28.7 avg score vs #6 sked.
Navy is -61.6 ypg #115 -9 TO's w/a 32.1-35.4 avg score vs #97 sked.
Nc State is 77.8 ypg #19 -3 TO's w/a 37.3-31.1 avg score vs #17 sked.
Nebraska is 88.2 ypg #13 8 TO's w/a 29.1-12 avg score vs #37 sked.
Nevada is 7.1 ypg #67 -1 TO's w/a 34.9-16.1 avg score vs #93 sked.
New Mexico is -83.8 ypg #122 -8 TO's w/a 28.3-31.2 avg score vs #40 sked.
New Mexico St is -52.7 ypg #109 2 TO's w/a 22.5-25.4 avg score vs #14 sked.
North Texas is 60 ypg #23 -6 TO's w/a 27.4-34.5 avg score vs #46 sked.
Northwestern is -14.5 ypg #81 6 TO's w/a 38.3-23.1 avg score vs #48 sked.
Notre Dame is 50.4 ypg #29 4 TO's w/a 33.8-17.3 avg score vs #31 sked.
Ohio St is 145.7 ypg #4 5 TO's w/a 43.3-25.8 avg score vs #24 sked.
Ohio U is 91.7 ypg #12 1 TO's w/a 28.8-37.3 avg score vs #88 sked.
Oklahoma is 191.2 ypg #1 12 TO's w/a 31.8-20.9 avg score vs #20 sked.
Oklahoma St is 100.9 ypg #10 7 TO's w/a 29.8-21.2 avg score vs #123 sked.
Old Dominion is 30.8 ypg #45 -1 TO's w/a 23.9-36.7 avg score vs #77 sked.
Oregon is 36.6 ypg #39 -3 TO's w/a 31.9-27.3 avg score vs #4 sked.
Oregon St is 9.6 ypg #66 6 TO's w/a 42.3-26.5 avg score vs #26 sked.
Penn St is 40.3 ypg #36 -2 TO's w/a 50.3-32.8 avg score vs #8 sked.
Pittsburgh is 0.3 ypg #70 -6 TO's w/a 24.7-24.4 avg score vs #11 sked.
Purdue is 78.1 ypg #18 -12 TO's w/a 19.8-44.1 avg score vs #23 sked.
Rice is -85.9 ypg #124 5 TO's w/a 31.8-26.4 avg score vs #105 sked.
Rutgers is -122.6 ypg #128 2 TO's w/a 30.8-19.3 avg score vs #35 sked.
S Carolina is 28.9 ypg #48 1 TO's w/a 28.5-21.8 avg score vs #61 sked.
S Miss is -10.7 ypg #78 -2 TO's w/a 30-31.3 avg score vs #32 sked.
San Diego St is -62.7 ypg #116 7 TO's w/a 30.4-35.3 avg score vs #70 sked.
San Jose St is -93.1 ypg #125 9 TO's w/a 30.8-25.1 avg score vs #36 sked.
Smu is -47.5 ypg #108 10 TO's w/a 27.5-22 avg score vs #102 sked.
South Alabama is -53.4 ypg #110 -10 TO's w/a 26.1-45.7 avg score vs #27 sked.
South Florida is 16.1 ypg #58 -4 TO's w/a 24.2-32.4 avg score vs #85 sked.
Stanford is 33 ypg #41 -3 TO's w/a 32.5-33.3 avg score vs #44 sked.
Syracuse is 37.3 ypg #38 4 TO's w/a 37.2-27 avg score vs #67 sked.
Tcu is -55.6 ypg #111 5 TO's w/a 35.6-24.7 avg score vs #84 sked.
Temple is 29.5 ypg #47 8 TO's w/a 35.6-28.9 avg score vs #58 sked.
Tennessee is -29.8 ypg #96 8 TO's w/a 31.5-17.4 avg score vs #43 sked.
Texas is 30.2 ypg #46 2 TO's w/a 33.5-24.5 avg score vs #59 sked.
Texas A&M is 85.3 ypg #14 -10 TO's w/a 26.1-27 avg score vs #18 sked.
Texas St is -124 ypg #129 -4 TO's w/a 26-39.4 avg score vs #54 sked.
Texas Tech is 72.2 ypg #21 3 TO's w/a 41.1-30.2 avg score vs #114 sked.
Toledo is 50.9 ypg #28 -2 TO's w/a 29.5-16.7 avg score vs #124 sked.
Troy St is -39.6 ypg #103 -1 TO's w/a 22.8-27.9 avg score vs #38 sked.
Tulane is -15.6 ypg #83 6 TO's w/a 28.1-25.5 avg score vs #75 sked.
Tulsa is -85 ypg #123 -5 TO's w/a 19.8-27.7 avg score vs #127 sked.
Uab is 40.3 ypg #35 -10 TO's w/a 21.7-34.8 avg score vs #29 sked.
Ucf is 115.2 ypg #6 -3 TO's w/a 24.1-29.6 avg score vs #78 sked.
Ucla is 20.5 ypg #54 5 TO's w/a 24.4-29.9 avg score vs #7 sked.
Ulm is 11 ypg #63 -14 TO's w/a 26.5-35.5 avg score vs #80 sked.
Umass is 10.5 ypg #64 -12 TO's w/a 26.6-31.8 avg score vs #110 sked.
Unlv is -8.8 ypg #73 -5 TO's w/a 15-27.3 avg score vs #86 sked.
Usc is -28.7 ypg #95 1 TO's w/a 43.8-29.5 avg score vs #116 sked.
Utah is 25.5 ypg #51 6 TO's w/a 35.3-24.3 avg score vs #106 sked.
Utah St is 78.6 ypg #16 1 TO's w/a 21.7-26.6 avg score vs #107 sked.
Uteq is -80.8 ypg #120 5 TO's w/a 28-27.8 avg score vs #28 sked.
Utah State is -149.6 ypg #130 -8 TO's w/a 24.3-40 avg score vs #87 sked.
Vanderbilt is -10.5 ypg #77 16 TO's w/a 43.1-19.5 avg score vs #92 sked.
Virginia is -45.7 ypg #107 22 TO's w/a 31.1-21.6 avg score vs #125 sked.
Virginia Tech is 17.1 ypg #56 9 TO's w/a 34.6-24.7 avg score vs #118 sked.
W Kentucky is -35.8 ypg #100 -8 TO's w/a 23.9-37.4 avg score vs #82 sked.
W Michigan is 52.2 ypg #27 4 TO's w/a 29.5-25.2 avg score vs #81 sked.
Wake Forest is 28.2 ypg #49 -10 TO's w/a 22.8-36.8 avg score vs #72 sked.
Wash St is 78.5 ypg #17 7 TO's w/a 31.7-25.2 avg score vs #3 sked.
Washington is 3.1 ypg #68 3 TO's w/a 24.2-23.8 avg score vs #108 sked.
West Virginia is 97.1 ypg #11 3 TO's w/a 30.9-18.2 avg score vs #60 sked.
Wisconsin is 48.7 ypg #31 -8 TO's w/a 38.4-32.4 avg score vs #34 sked.
Wyoming is -83.1 ypg #121 1 TO's w/a 24.6-34.1 avg score vs #1 sked.

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29TH

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NEW ORLEANS	390	126	264	31	+8	#11
DALLAS	328	110	218	22	+1	#25

(NO #1 vs DAL #21, DAL #12 vs NO #10) - The Saints are the hottest tm in the NFL with 10 consec wins & 9 straight covers. The Cowboys meanwhile have won 4 of 5 at home and moved back into 1st place in the NFC East. **Grab this Thursday Night Marquee Winner at Noon EST gameday.**

NO PLAY: NEW ORLEANS 31 DALLAS 22

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
INDIANAPOLIS	350	105	245	26	+3	#2
JACKSONVILLE	387	141	246	25	-11	#17

(IND #5 vs JAX #17, JAX #24 vs IND #12) - The Colts have won 5 straight following LW's win over the Dolphins. The Jaguars on the other hand have lost 6 in a row including a 3 pt loss early TY in IND. While PP calls for just a 1 pt win by the visitor, there's no way we back JAX at the moment.

NO PLAY: INDIANAPOLIS 26 JACKSONVILLE 25

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
LA CHARGERS	340	105	235	25	+4	#29
PITTSBURGH	415	101	314	26	-7	#9

(LAC #6 vs PIT #2, PIT #4 vs LAC #4) - SNF PIT saw their 6-gm winning streak snapped LW in DEN while the Chargers rebounded from a loss the wk prior against DEN to deliver a 35 pt win over ARZ. With LAC losing to KC & LAR by DD's earlier in the year, they could be in for a long night here.

NO PLAY: PITTSBURGH 26 LA CHARGERS 25

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CAROLINA	394	152	242	28	+4	#20
TAMPA BAY	426	85	341	27	-21	#28

(CAR #10 vs TB #14, TB #2 vs CAR #22) - The Bucs finally saw some consistency at QB with the return of Winston to the starting lineup LW vs SF. They now take on a Panthers squad who has dropped 3 in a row following LW's home loss to SEA. With TB covering 7 in a row as a HD and CAR covering just 1 of their L7 away, we agree with the forecast above.

1★ TAMPA BAY 27 (+) CAROLINA 28

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
BALTIMORE	346	129	217	21	-6	#8
ATLANTA	364	81	283	24	-2	#18

(BAL #13 vs ATL #20, ATL #8 vs BAL #8) - The Falcons were knocked out of playoff contention following LW's loss to the Saints. The Ravens meanwhile would earn the #6 spot in the AFC if the ssn ended today. With the QB situation unknown as of presstime, we'll pass on this one.

NO PLAY: ATLANTA 24 BALTIMORE 21

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CLEVELAND	291	85	206	19	+14	#31
HOUSTON	363	143	220	27	+5	#13

(CLE #14 vs HOU #7, HOU #26 vs CLE #29) - The Browns FINALLY earned an away victory LW following 25 straight road defeats heading in. They now head to HOU looking for 2 road wins in a row against a red-hot Texans squad that's won 7 in a row as of presstime. With CLE 5-11 ATS as a NDIV AD and PP calling for an 8 pt win by the Texans, we'll agree and lean with the home team.

2★ HOUSTON 27 CLEVELAND 19

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
BUFFALO	337	158	179	18	-5	#32
MIAMI	257	111	146	19	+6	#7

(BUF #19 vs MIA #25, MIA #31 vs BUF #3) - The Bills have delivered B2B impressive victories recently against the Jets and Jags while the Dolphins dipped under .500 LW following a loss in IND. While PP calls for MIA to get a 1 pt win, a 6 pt opening line and a 337-257 forecasted edge has us giving BUF a chance at a 3rd consec outright upset win.

4★ BUFFALO 18 (+) MIAMI 19

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CHICAGO	349	115	234	27	+14	#30
NY GIANTS	337	95	242	21	+1	#15

(CHI #30 vs NYG #26, NYG #23 vs CHI #5) - The Bears continue to roll through their competition following LW's Thanksgiving win in DET without the services of QB Trubisky. The Giants meanwhile had plenty of hiccups in LW's 2H vs PHI in the eventual 3 pt defeat. While CHI is forecasted for a 6 pt win, we'll have to wait and see if Trubisky is back before deciding what to do in this one.

NO PLAY: CHICAGO 27 NY GIANTS 21

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
DENVER	409	152	257	27	+6	#21
CINCINNATI	317	83	234	21	+1	#19

(DEN #15 vs CIN #32, CIN #25 vs DEN #27) - DEN is back in the playoff hunt following outright upsets of the Chargers and Steelers the past 2 wks. The Bengals enter play heading in the opposite direction after a 15 pt home loss LW to CLE. With Dalton & Green's status unclear for CIN, we'll pass.

NO PLAY: DENVER 27 CINCINNATI 21

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
LA RAMS	439	116	323	33	+11	#27
DETROIT	367	123	244	27	-6	#22

(LAR #11 vs DET #18, DET #22 vs LAR #13) - A pair of late int's cost the Lions a victory opportunity LW against the Bears. While the Rams do sit at 10-1 on the year, their inability to cover spreads of 7+ so far this ssn (1-5 ATS) has us in agreement with the forecast above.

2★ DETROIT 27 (+) LA RAMS 33

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
ARIZONA	249	90	159	16	-9	#3
GREEN BAY	376	136	240	30	0	#24

(ARZ #32 vs GB #24, GB #20 vs ARZ #11) - The Packers return to Lambeau needing to win out for any chance of earning a playoff berth. PP calls for that victory streak to start here in easy fashion against a Cardinals squad with the worst offense in the NFL. The 14 pt forecasted win as right at the opening line so we'll pass on this one.

NO PLAY: GREEN BAY 30 ARIZONA 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
KANSAS CITY	472	153	318	37	+4	#1
OAKLAND	372	113	259	23	-3	#26

(KC #3 vs OAK #15, OAK #27 vs KC #23) - KC returns from bye to take on an OAK squad that just plyd out East in BAL. While we like KC in earn a solid win here, an elevated opening line has us passing.

NO PLAY: KANSAS CITY 37 OAKLAND 23

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NY JETS	265	68	197	13	-8	#5
TENNESSEE	364	163	201	28	-3	#4

(NYJ #29 vs TEN #9, TEN #18 vs NYJ #16) - The Titans return to Nashville on short rest to take on a Jets squad that's dropped 5 in a row SU & ATS. With PP calling for a 15 pt win, we have no issue back a Titans team that's on a 12-2-2 ATS run at home.

3★ TENNESSEE 28 NY JETS 13

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
MINNESOTA	391	88	303	22	+2	#10
NEW ENGLAND	334	99	235	24	+5	#6

(MIN #16 vs NE #19, NE #7 vs MIN #1) - The Patriots earned a 14 pt win LW on the road against the Jets while MIN also picked up a DIV win vs GB. With MIN forecasted for a 391-334 yd edge and projected to stay within a FG, they get the call in this one.

3.5★ MINNESOTA 22 (+) NEW ENGLAND 24

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
SAN FRANCISCO	344	129	215	18	-17	#16
SEATTLE	348	145	203	28	+8	#14

(SF #17 vs SEA #28, SEA #9 vs SF #6) - The Seahawks are back over .500 following LW's road upset over the Panthers. The 49ers meanwhile were held to just 9 pts against a weak Bucs defense. With the forecast right at the opening line, we'll pass despite our love for the Seahawks in this one.

NO PLAY: SEATTLE 28 SAN FRANCISCO 18

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3RD

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
WASHINGTON	342	112	230	18	+9	#23
PHILADELPHIA	373	101	272	21	-8	#12

(WAS #28 vs PHI #30, PHI #21 vs WAS #31) - The Eagles overcame HT deficit LW against the Giants to stay within reach of the NFC-leading Cowboys and Redskins. With a substantial amount of injury questions for WAS as of presstime, we'll have to wait until late in the week to pick a side.

NO PLAY: PHILADELPHIA 21 WASHINGTON 18

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ATS WINS	ATS LOSSES	OVERS
Rutgers 5	Louisville 7	FIU 6
Vanderbilt 5	Mississippi 6	Arizona 6
Wyoming 4	Coastal Carolina 6	West Virginia 6
Arkansas St 4	Duke 6	Oklaoma 6
BYU 4	Fresno St 6	South Carolina 4
Memphis 4	Iowa St 6	Stanford 4
Nebraska 4	Michigan 6	UTEP 4
South Carolina 4	Michigan St 6	Florida 6
Boise St 4	New Mexico 6	Oklahoma St 6
FIU 4	SMU 6	Oregon St 6
Kansas 4	Texas Tech 6	Texas St 6
Miami, Oh 4	Tulane 6	UCF 6
Navy 4	UTEP 6	ULM 6
Rice 4		Vanderbilt 6
Stanford 4		
UAB 4		

NFL STREAKERS

ATS WINS	ATS LOSSES	OVERS
New Orleans 9	NY Jets 5	Cincinnati 4
Chicago 5	LA Rams 4	Buffalo 3
Dallas 3	Atlanta 3	LA Rams 3
	Carolina 3	Seattle 3
	Philadelphia 3	
		UNDERS
		Denver 4
		New England 4
		Atlanta 3
		Miami 3

2018 NFL POWER RATINGS

TEAM	2018	TEAM	2018
1. NEW ORLEANS	107.7	17. INDIANAPOLIS	99.4
2. LA RAMS	107.4	18. GREEN BAY	99.0
3. KANSAS CITY	106.8	19. TENNESSEE	98.8
4. NEW ENGLAND	106.5	20. ATLANTA	98.8
5. PITTSBURGH	105.3	21. CINCINNATI	98.4
6. MINNESOTA	103.6	22. DETROIT	98.1
7. LA CHARGERS	103.0	23. CLEVELAND	97.8
8. CHICAGO	102.4	24. MIAMI	97.3
9. CAROLINA	101.7	25. TAMPA BAY	97.1
10. HOUSTON	101.4	26. JACKSONVILLE	97.0
11. PHILADELPHIA	100.5	27. NY GIANTS	95.2
12. BALTIMORE	100.4	28. BUFFALO	95.1
13. DALLAS	100.0	29. SAN FRANCISCO	94.8
14. SEATTLE	99.8	30. ARIZONA	94.3
15. WASHINGTON	99.6	31. OAKLAND	94.1
16. DENVER	99.5	32. NY JETS	94.0

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| 1. ALABAMA | 15. PENN ST | 29. BOISE ST |
| 2. CLEMSON | 16. LSU | 30. MICHIGAN ST |
| 3. NOTRE DAME | 17. FLORIDA | 31. FRESNO ST |
| 4. OHIO ST | 18. IOWA | 32. STANFORD |
| 5. MICHIGAN | 19. WASHINGTON ST | 33. SYRACUSE |
| 6. GEORGIA | 20. MIAMI, FL | 34. GEORGIA TECH |
| 7. OKLAHOMA | 21. UCF | 35. PURDUE |
| 8. MISS ST | 22. OREGON | 36. KENTUCKY |
| 9. WEST VIRGINIA | 23. AUBURN | 37. SOUTH CAROLINA |
| 10. MISSOURI | 24. UTAH ST | 38. MEMPHIS |
| 11. WASHINGTON | 25. CINCINNATI | 39. PITTSBURGH |
| 12. UTAH | 26. WISCONSIN | 40. BOSTON COLLEGE |
| 13. TEXAS A&M | 27. IOWA ST | |
| 14. TEXAS | 28. OKLAHOMA ST | |

2018 WEEK THIRTEEN NFL LINES AND STATS

	NC	Line	SU	ATS	O/U	TO's	Ttl	Sc	Ypp	Ttl	Sc	Ypp	Off	SACK%	Def
New Orleans Saints		-7	10-1	9-2	5-6	+8	5	1	11.2 (1)	15	15	15.4 (15)	3.0% (2)	7.6% (17)	
Dallas Cowboys	NL	52	6-5	6-5	5-6	+1	25	23	15.7 (18)	8	4	17.1 (3)	11.3% (31)	8.5% (6)	
Indianapolis Colts		-7	-3	6-5	5-5	6-5	+3	8	4	13.1 (5)	17	18	14.5 (19)	2.5% (1)	7.1% (19)
Jacksonville Jaguars		48	3-8	4-6	1	5-6	-11	22	28	19.4 (31)	5	8	14.5 (20)	7.8% (18)	6.2% (24)
Los Angeles Chargers		52	8-3	6-5	6-5	+4	6	7	14.4 (10)	9	5	16.8 (5)	5.7% (9)	7.7% (14)	
Pittsburgh Steelers		-13	-3	7-3	1	6-5	-7	4	6	14.6 (11)	6	11	14.4 (22)	3.4% (3)	9.8% (4)
Carolina Panthers		-1	-3	6-5	5-6	7-4	+4	12	10	14.2 (9)	14	20	13.9 (26)	5.5% (8)	6.4% (23)
Tampa Bay Buccaneers		56	4-7	4-6	1	8-3	-21	1	9	17.0 (29)	27	31	12.7 (31)	6.2% (10)	7.9% (11)
Baltimore Ravens		-6	-3	6-5	5-6	5-6	-6	11	14	15.2 (13)	1	1	14.4 (9)	4.6% (5)	8.1% (8)
Atlanta Falcons		4-7	3-8	6-5	-2	7	+11	7	11	15.7 (19)	28	29	16.2 (17)	5.3% (7)	5.3% (28)
Cleveland Browns		4-6	-1	7-4	6-5	+14	18	18	15.4 (16)	31	22	16.1 (11)	8.8% (23)	5.4% (27)	
Houston Texans		-7	-4	7-3	4-6	4-6	+5	15	17	15.2 (14)	7	6	16.1 (12)	10.6% (29)	7.5% (18)
Buffalo Bills		40	4-7	5-6	5-6	-5	31	31	18.7 (30)	2	17	12.3 (32)	10.1% (28)	7.8% (12)	
Miami Dolphins		-1	-6	5-6	6-5	5-6	+6	28	25	15.5 (17)	29	22	15.5 (14)	8.4% (21)	5.0% (29)
Chicago Bears		-7	8-3	8-3	7-4	+14	21	5	12.1 (3)	4	3	16.5 (8)	6.4% (12)	8.1% (10)	
NY Giants	NL	3-8	5-8	1	5-6	+1	20	22	16.3 (23)	23	25	14.4 (21)	9.5% (25)	3.7% (31)	
Denver Broncos		-8	5-6	5-8	1	3-8	+6	14	19	16.0 (21)	25	13	17.0 (4)	6.6% (14)	8.3% (7)
Cincinnati Bengals	NL	5-6	5-6	5-6	8-3	+1	26	12	13.3 (6)	32	32	13.9 (25)	5.5% (7)	5.6% (26)	
Los Angeles Rams		-6	-10	10-1	4-7	6-5	+11	2	3	12.7 (4)	20	20	14.5 (18)	6.5% (13)	7.8% (13)
Detroit Lions		54	4-7	6-5	6-5	-6	23	21	15.8 (20)	13	24	13.7 (28)	7.8% (19)	9.9% (5)	
Arizona Cardinals		2-9	5-5	1	4-6	-1	32	32	16.5 (25)	19	26	13.7 (27)	9.5% (26)	10.5% (1)	
Green Bay Packers		-21	-14	4-6	1	6-5	0	10	16	11.1 (22)	12	16	14.6 (17)	8.6% (22)	9.9% (3)
Kansas City Chiefs		-17	-15	9-2	9-2	6-5	+4	3	2	11.8 (2)	30	28	15.5 (13)	5.1% (6)	7.7% (16)
Oakland Raiders		55	2-9	3-8	5-6	-3	24	30	19.9 (32)	26	30	13.1 (30)	9.3% (24)	3.3% (32)	
NY Jets		3-8	3-8	3-8	6-5	-8	29	26	15.1 (12)	21	19	14.6 (16)	7.1% (15)	5.6% (25)	
Tennessee Titans		-14	-9	5-5	6-4	3-7	-3	30	29	16.6 (27)	10	2	17.7 (1)	11.8% (32)	6.9% (20)
Minnesota Vikings		48	6-4	1	4-6	+2	13	15	15.3 (15)	3	10	14.1 (24)	6.3% (11)	10.1% (2)	
New England Patriots		-3	-6	8-3	7-4	4-7	+5	8	7	13.9 (7)	22	11	16.7 (6)	4.0% (4)	3.9% (30)
San Francisco 49ers		46	2-9	3-8	6-5	-17	17	20	16.3 (24)	11	26	13.1 (29)	10.0% (27)	6.9% (21)	
Seattle Seahawks		-17	-10	6-5	6-3	2	16	12	14.2 (8)	16	8	16.3 (10)	11.0% (30)	7.7% (14)	
Washington Redskins		44	6-5	7-4	5-6	+9	27	27	16.6 (26)	18	7	17.3 (2)	7.1% (16)	8.1% (9)	
Philadelphia Eagles	NL	-6	5-6	3-8	4-7	-8	19	24	16.9 (28)	24	14	16.5 (7)	8.2% (20)	6.6% (22)	

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