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**EARLY ENTRIES FOR 2019 NFL DRAFT (1/14/19)**

Name	Pos	SCHOOL
Rodney Anderson	RB	Oklahoma
J.J. Areaga-Whiteford	WR	Stanford
Alex Barnes	RB	Kansas State
Nick Bosa	DE	Ohio St
Miles Boykin	WR	Notre Dame
Jordan Brailford	DE	Oklahoma St
AJ Brown	WR	Ole Miss
Keenan Brown	TE	Texas St
Marquise Brown	WR	Oklahoma
Sean Bunting	CB	Central Michigan
Brian Burns	DE	Florida St
Devin Bush	LB	Michigan
Hakeem Butler	WR	Iowa St
Xavier Crawford	CB	Central Michigan
Damarea Crockett	RB	Missouri
Maxx Crosby	DE	Eastern Michigan
Tyrell Dodson	LB	Texas A&M
Jovon Durrantle	WR	Florida Atlantic
David Edwards	OL	Wisconsin
Bobby Evans	OL	Oklahoma
Noah Fant	TE	Iowa
Clelin Ferrell	DL	Clemson
Cody Ford	OL	Oklahoma
Chauncey Gardner-Johnson	DB	Florida
Rashan Gary	WR	Michigan
Jalen Guyton	WR	North Texas
Mecole Hardman	WR	Georgia
Kelvin Harmon	WR	NC State
N'Keal Harry	WR	Air Force
Dwayne Haskins	QB	Ohio St
Darrell Henderson	RB	Memphis
Note Herbig	OL	Stanford
Justice Hill	RB	Oklahoma St
Elijah Holyfield	RB	Georgia
LilJordan Humphrey	WR	Texas
Joe Jackson	RB	Miami
Josh Jacobs	DL	Alabama
Andre James	OL	UCLA
Daniel Jones	QB	Duke
Dre'Mont Jones	DT	Ohio St
Michael Jordan	OL	Ohio St
Vosean Joseph	LB	Florida
Tre Lamar	LB	Clemson
Dexter Lawrence	DL	Clemson
Justin Layne	DB	Michigan St
Greg Little	OT	Ole Miss
David Long	LB	West Virginia
David Long	DB	Michigan
Julian Love	CB	Notre Dame
Alize Mack	TE	Notre Dame
Connor McGovern	OL	Penn St
DK Metcalf	WR	Ole Miss
Shareef Miller	DL	Penn St
Dillon Mitchell	WR	Oregon
David Montgomery	RB	Iowa St
Troyon Miller	CB	Clemson
Byron Murphy	CB	Washington
Isaac Nauta	TE	Georgia
Ed Oliver	DT	Houston
Jachai Polite	DE	Florida
Ryan Pulley	DE	Arkansas
Taylor Rapp	DB	Washington
Anthony Ratliff-Williams	WR	North Carolina
Dax Raymond	TE	Utah St
Riley Ridley	WR	Georgia
Miles Sanders	RB	Penn St
Quart'e Sapp	LB	Tennessee
Jordan Scarlett	RB	Florida
LJ Scott	RB	Michigan St
Jeffery Simmons	DL	Mississippi St
Devin Singletary	RB	Florida Atlantic
Darius Slayton	WR	Auburn
Irv Smith	TE	Auburn
Kaden Smith	TE	Alabama
Savion Smith	CB	Alabama
Sulton Smith	DE	Northern Illinois
Benny Snell	RB	Kentucky
Jarrett Stidham	QB	Auburn
Jace Sternberger	TE	Texas A&M
Jawaan Taylor	OL	Florida
Mike Weber	RB	Ohio St
Antoine Wesley	WR	Texas Tech
Kerith Whyte	RB	Florida Atlantic
Greedy Williams	CB	LSU
Jonah Williams	OL	Alabama
Quinnen Williams	DL	Alabama
Preston Williams	WR	Colorado St
Trayveon Williams	RB	Texas A&M
Caleb Wilson	TE	UCLA

### NFL PLAYOFF BOX SCORES

#### 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

#### 2011 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
2 Baltimore	50	20	19	31-116	22-36-282	1-0
1 New England	-7	23	25	31-96	22-36-234	2-1
4 NY Giants	41	20	20	26-85	32-58-267	0-0
2 San Fran (OT)	-2	17	15	28-150	12-26-178	0-2

#### 2010 CHAMPIONSHIP ROUND

SEED	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-ATPY	I-F
6 Green Bay	3	21	23	32-120	17-30-236	2-0
2 Chicago	42	14	17	24-83	19-38-218	3-0
6 NY Jets	38	19	17	22-70	20-33-219	0-1
2 Pittsburgh	-4	24	23	43-166	10-19-133	2-0

### HANDICAPPING NOTES FOR THIS WEEK'S NFL CONFERENCE FINAL GAMES

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 43-32-1 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 28-27-1 ATS. There have been only 3 seasons when a #1 seed didn't advance which were 2008, 2010 and 2012. 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 26 teams that have been favored by 7 points or more since 1990 in the Conference Final round. The big favorites are 11-15 ATS in that span, including just 5-11 ATS the last 16 occurrences (New England failed to cover versus Jacksonville last season).

**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 22 years, teams with the better SU records are 26-24-1 52% ATS. However, in the last 5 years the team with the better record has gone 6-2 ATS and won all 8 outright.

**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 (29 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 a ssn ago 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 5 snns. Prior to that, both teams reached on just 3 occasions since 1990.

**Over/Unders** - In the L17 years the Conference Finals has gone Over 21 of 33 games (push in '14 between IND/NE). Since 1988 when both teams went Over in their DIV round they are 9-5 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.

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**LOS ANGELES RAMS Game-by Game**

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	
oak	W	W	U	-4/47	10-13	33-13	+20	+3	-30	-45	+15	+3
ARZ	W	W	U	-13/44	19-0	34-0	+34	+19	+295	+36	+259	0
LAC	W	W	O	-7/49	21-13	35-23	+12	+17	+165	+30	+135	0
MIN	W	L	O	-7/48	29-20	38-31	+7	0	+110	+46	+54	+1
sea	W	L	O	-7/50	17-17	33-31	+2	+10	+95	+35	+130	-2
den	W	L	U	-7/50	13-3	23-20	+3	+1	+87	+210	-123	0
sf	W	W	U	-9/52	22-7	39-10	+29	+4	+103	+39	+64	+4
GB	W	L	U	-8/57	8-10	29-27	+2	+7	+57	+29	+28	+1
no	L	L	O	-1/57	17-35	35-45	-10	-8	-4	-49	+45	0
SEA	L	O	-9/51	17-14	36-31	+5	-4	+42	-124	+166	+1	
KC	W	L	O	-3/63	23-23	54-51	+3	+2	-91	-22	-69	+3
det	W	W	U	-10/54	13-3	30-16	+14	+1	+34	+47	-13	0
chi	L	L	U	-3/51	6-6	6-15	-9	-3	-80	-142	+62	-1
PHI	L	L	O	-13/52	13-13	23-30	-7	+6	+32	-30	+62	-2
arz	W	W	U	-14/43	21-9	31-9	+22	+18	+198	+165	+33	-1
SF	W	W	O	-10/49	10-10	48-32	+16	+6	+14	+28	-42	+4
DAL	W	W	O	-7/49	20-7	30-22	+8	+11	+151	+223	-72	0

**RECENT PAST MEETINGS**

2018	rec	line	sc	fd	phys	yds	rush	pass	to
lar	8-0	-1'	35	23	59	483	19-92 (4.8)	28-40	39-1
no	6-1	57'	45	31	70	487	34-141 (4.1)	25-36	34-6
2017	rec	line	sc	fd	phys	yds	rush	pass	to
no	8-2	54	20	14	52	346	17-123 (7.2)	22-32	22-3
LAR	7-3	-2'	24	24	73	415	25-88 (3.5)	28-44	32-7

**NEW ORLEANS SAINTS Game-by Game**

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	
TB	L	L	O	-10/49	24-31	40-48	-8	0	-54	-69	+15	-2
CLE	W	L	U	-9/50	3-6	21-18	+3	+2	-52	-31	-21	-1
atl	W	W	O	+2/53	16-14	43-37	+6	+8	+127	+95	+32	0
nyg	W	W	U	-3/52	12-7	33-18	+15	+3	+90	+105	-15	+2
WAS	W	W	O	+6/51	26-13	43-19	+24	+9	+164	+59	+105	+1
bal	W	W	U	+2/49	7-10	24-23	+1	+1	-12	-57	-69	-1
min	W	W	U	-1/54	17-13	30-20	+10	-10	-153	+21	-174	+1
LAR	W	W	O	+1/57	35-17	45-35	+10	+8	+4	+49	-45	0
cin	W	W	O	-5/53	35-7	51-14	+37	+20	+225	+134	+91	+2
PHI	W	W	U	-7/57	24-7	48-7	+41	+15	+350	+125	+225	+3
ATL	W	W	U	-13/60	17-3	31-17	+14	-2	-54	+124	-178	+3
dal	L	L	U	-7/51	1-13	10-13	-3	-7	-132	-35	-97	+1
tb	W	W	U	-9/54	3-14	18-14	+4	-1	-19	-5	+24	-1
car	W	L	U	-6/50	6-7	12-9	+3	+8	+99	+57	+42	0
PIT	L	L	O	-6/53	17-14	31-28	+3	-2	-59	-8	-51	+1
CAR	L	L	O	-7/43	0-23	14-33	-19	-8	-80	+73	-153	-1
PHI	L	L	U	-8/51	10-14	20-14	+6	+10	+170	+88	+82	+1

**NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS Game-by Game**

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	
HOU	W	W	U	-6/50	21-6	27-20	+7	+2	+64	-45	+109	-1
jax	L	L	O	-1/44	3-21	20-31	-11	-9	-179	-22	-157	+1
det	L	L	U	-7/55	3-13	10-26	-16	-13	-205	-70	-135	0
MIA	W	W	U	-6/49	24-0	38-7	+31	+15	+277	+121	+156	0
IND	W	W	O	-10/51	24-3	38-24	+14	0	-4	-10	-14	+1
KC	W	L	O	-3/59	24-9	43-40	+3	+13	+54	+79	-25	+1
chi	W	W	O	-2/49	21-17	38-31	+7	-8	-72	-26	-46	-1
buf	W	W	U	-14/44	9-3	25-6	+19	+6	+54	+30	+24	+2
GB	W	W	U	-5/56	17-10	31-17	+14	+6	+65	+5	+60	+1
ten	L	L	U	-6/47	10-24	10-34	-24	-7	-101	-110	-9	0
nyj	W	W	U	-12/46	10-10	27-13	+14	+7	+160	+141	+19	+1
MIN	W	W	U	-5/49	10-7	24-10	+14	+11	+193	+65	+128	+1
MIA	L	L	O	-8/49	27-21	33-34	-1	+8	-9	-122	+131	0
pit	L	L	U	-2/54	7-14	10-17	-7	-6	-8	-62	+54	+1
BUF	W	L	U	-13/45	14-0	24-12	+12	+6	+101	+201	-100	0
NYJ	W	W	U	-13/46	21-3	38-3	+35	+12	+136	+27	+109	+3
LAC	W	W	O	-4/48	35-7	41-28	+13	+8	+163	+136	+27	+2

**RECENT PAST MEETINGS**

2018	rec	line	sc	fd	phys	yds	rush	pass	to
kc	5-0	59	40	18	53	446	17-94 (5.5)	23-36	35-2
NE	3-2	-3'	43	31	75	500	38-173 (4.6)	24-35	32-1
2017	rec	line	sc	fd	phys	yds	rush	pass	to
kc	0-0	48	42	26	65	537	27-185 (6.9)	28-35	35-2
NE	0-0	-8'	27	25	74	371	35-124 (3.5)	16-36	24-7

**KANSAS CITY CHIEFS Game-by Game**

SU	ATS	OU	LINE	HT	SC	PTS	FD	YDS	RY	PY	IF	
lac	W	W	O	+3/48	17-12	38-28	+10	-14	-179	-17	-162	+2
pit	W	W	O	+4/52	21-21	42-37	+5	-9	-26	+94	-120	-1
SF	W	W	O	-6/54	35-10	38-27	+11	+5	-75	-154	-79	0
den	W	W	U	-3/55	10-13	27-23	+4	+1	+61	+17	+78	+1
JAX	W	W	U	-3/49	20-0	30-14	+16	-3	-78	+25	+103	+3
ne	L	W	O	+3/59	9-24	40-43	-3	-13	-54	-79	+15	-1
CIN	W	W	U	-6/57	24-7	45-10	+35	+18	+312	+133	+179	0
DEN	L	L	U	-9/53	16-14	30-23	+7	-2	-71	-140	+69	+1
cle	W	W	O	-8/52	21-15	37-21	+16	+1	+111	+37	+74	0
ARZ	W	L	O	-16/49	20-7	26-14	+12	-1	+70	+24	+46	+2
lar	L	W	O	+3/63	23-23	51-54	-3	-2	-91	+22	+69	-3
oak	W	L	O	-14/54	19-7	40-33	+7	-3	+27	+3	+24	+2
BAL	L	L	O	-6/50	17-10	27-24	+3	+6	+120	-104	+224	0
LAC	L	L	O	-3/54	14-7	28-29	-1	-8	-113	-59	-54	+2
sea	L	L	O	-2/55	10-14	31-38	-7	-9	-45	-56	+11	-2
OAK	W	W	U	-14/52	21-3	35-3	+32	-2	+117	-28	+145	+3
IND	W	W	U	-5/57	24-7	31-13	+18	+14	+170	+93	+77	0

**LAR-OFF vs NO-DEF LAR-DEF vs NO-OFF**

TEAMS	LAR	NO	TEAMS	LAR	NO
POINTS	527	353	POINTS	322	504
points scored rank	#2	#14	points scored rank	#20	#3
FIRST HALF PTS	279	199	FIRST HALF PTS	196	242
SECOND HALF PTS	248	154	SECOND HALF PTS	126	262
TOUCHDOWNS	60	43	TOUCHDOWNS	44	60
rush/pass/ret	23/32/5	12/30/1	rush/pass/ret	12/31/1	26/33/1
FD	401	333	FD	322	377
FD RANK	#1	#22	FD RANK	#17	#5
TOTAL NET YARDS	6738	5585	TOTAL NET YARDS	5737	6067
net yards rank	#2	#14	net yards rank	#19	#8
YARDS PER PLAY	6.4	5.7	YARDS PER PLAY	6.0	6.0
yards per play rank	#2	#18	yards per play rank	#28	#18
YARDS PER POINT	12.8	15.8	YARDS PER POINT	17.8	12.0
PLAYS PER GAME	66.3	61.1	PLAYS PER GAME	60.0	63.1
RUSH YARD/GAME	139.4	80.2	RUSH YARD/GAME	122.3	126.6
rush ypg rank	#3	#2	rush ypg rank	#23	#6
RUSHING YPC	4.9	3.6	RUSHING YPC	5.1	4.3
rushing ypc rank	#3	#2	rushing ypc rank	#32	#17
PASS YARD/GAME	281.7	268.9	PASS YARD/GAME	236.3	252.6
pass ypg rank	#5	#29	pass ypg rank	#22	#12
PASS ATTEMPTS	568	573	PASS ATTEMPTS	533	519
PASS COMP	368	384	PASS COMP	347	381
pass% rank	#20	#26	pass% rank	#20	#1
SACKS %	5.8%	8.6%	SACKS %	7.7%	3.8%
sack% rank	#9	#6	sack% rank	#12	#4
FUMBLES-LOST	17/7	22/12	FUMBLES-LOST	14/12	18/9
INTERCEPTIONS	12	12	INTERCEPTIONS	18	7
TOTAL TURNOVERS	19	24	TOTAL TURNOVERS	30	25
turnover rank	#9	#13	turnover rank	#3	#4
PENALTIES	96/878	85/814	PENALTIES	99/852	94/939
penalties rank	#7	#32	penalties rank	#24	#15
PUNTING	46.3	44.0	PUNTING	45.5	46.4
NET PUNTING	43.9	39.4	NET PUNTING	39.5	45.0
net punting rank	#5	#25	net punting rank	#24	#1
BLOCKED P	0	2	BLOCKED P	2	0
KICK RETURN AVG	21.4	22.7	KICK RETURN AVG	22.5	24.3
kick return rank	#23	#17	kick return rank	#21	#10
PUNT RETURN AVG	10.2	5.0	PUNT RETURN AVG	8.7	6.5
punt return rank	#10	#30	punt return rank	#14	#24
FIELD GOALS	34-41	17-23	FIELD GOALS	25-28	28-30
FG'S 50+	4-6	3-5	FG'S 50+	5-7	2-3
northcoast k rank	#16	-	northcoast k rank	-	#25
northcoast st rank	#10	-	northcoast st rank	-	#8

**LOS ANGELES RAMS NEW ORLEANS SAINTS**

**RAMS (14-3) LINE: NO -3/57** **SAINTS (14-3) LINE: NO -3/57**

Sunday, January 20th • 3:05 pm • FOX

**PLAYOFF CHECKLIST**

LAR	QB	RB	WR	OL	DL	LB	DB	CCH	MTCH	ST	HM	INT
NO	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

**OVERALL SAINTS by 4 ✓'s**

The Rams are back in the NFC Championship gm for the 1st time since 2001 following an 8 pt victory over DAL where we cashed a 4★ Newsletter Winner! The Saints meanwhile enter their 3rd NFC Title gm (1st since SB winning year of '09) after their 6 pt win over PHI. These 2 met on one other occasion in the postssn way back in 2000 with NO claiming a 31-28 victory. LAR finished with a 6-2 SU (4-4 ATS) mark on the road so far in '18 with a +50 ypg edge (+3 TO's) while the Saints are now 7-2 SU (4-5 ATS) in the Superdome outgaining foes by 43 ypg (+5 TO's).

Behind a dominating rushing performance a wk ago at home against DAL where both RB Gurley and Anderson each surpassed the 100 yd mark (459-308 ttl yd edge), the Rams and 2nd yr HC Sean McVay (1st playoff victory since '04) head into the Superdome having outgained foes with a winning record by 47 ypg (0 TO's). They did however cover just 2 of those 9 matchups (6-3 SU).

Despite an early 14-0 deficit a wk ago at home against PHI, the Saints stormed back and held off a late drive to survive 20-14 (3★ Newsletter Winner on the Under!). Following their biggest come-from-behind win in postssn history (also happened to be PHI's biggest blown lead), NO is now 6-1 SU (3-3 ATS) against foes with a winning record (+50 ypg, +6 TO's) on the ssn.

This marks the 2nd meeting of the ssn between the NFC's top 2 offenses with the Rams' 1st trip to the Superdome ending in their 1st defeat of the '18 campaign (NO 10 pt win as 1' pt dog). This time the Saints head in as the favorite with Rams playing their 1st road matchup in the postssn under their new regime. While the scoreboard has been lit up on quite a few occasions for both squads in '18, the Rams' focus on the running game a week ago along with the Saints putting together some time-consuming drives against the Eagles has us calling for the final score to stay "Under" the lofty 57 point opening total in this one.

**FORECAST: UNDER LA Rams/New Orleans Rating: 3★**

**NE-OFF vs KC-DEF NE-DEF vs KC-OFF**

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