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NEWS AND NOTES - BOWL GAMES

Outback Bowl - This one was a misleading final as UF trailed at half, trailed after 3Q's and were trying to hold on to a 30-24 lead when PSU was int'd deep in UF terr with 1:00 left. UF then got an 80 yd IR TD to give them their biggest lead of the game in their 13 pt win. Meyer announced prior that it was his final game with UF while Joe Paterno continued to say he'd be back next year. PSU had a 350-279 yd edge with UF benefitting from a blocked punt for a TD in the 2Q and 5 int's by Lions QB McGloin. Meyer improved to 5-1 in bowls. PSU went 3 & out dropping a FD pass. UF's (49) first play was int'd at the PSU44. PSU went 56/11pl for a TD, 7-0. PSU was int'd at the UF38 and ret'd 47 yds to the 15 but UF fmb'l'd it back into the EZ for a TB on 1st&gl from the 3. 2 punts. PSU2 was int'd and ret'd to the PSU15. On 2&10 UF got a TD, 7-7. 2 punts. UF blk'd a punt and ret'd it 27 yds for a TD to make it 14-7 (6:48). PSU went 72/5pl drive for a TD, 14-14. After a UF 14 yd rugby punt with 2:27 left in the half, PSU had a 1&gl at the 7 but settled for a 20 yd FG. At the half PSU had a commanding 202-87 yd edge but only led 17-14. 3Q 2 punts. UF went 38/7pl for a 30 yd FG then faked a punt on 4&5 and was SOD at its own 36. PSU got a TD 5pl later and the Lions led 24-17 (4:39 3Q). After a 48 yd KR, UF got 1 FD & nailed a 47 yd FG, 24-20. After an int, UF went 25/9pl. They converted on 4&2 then on 3&11 fired incomplete but a ? pass inter set them up for a FD at the 2 and they got a TD 2pl later, 27-24. PSU punted and UF went 54/13pl for a 20 yd FG. Both punted. PSU21 got 2 FD's to the UF32 but on 3&3 from the 25 McGloin was int'd and ret'd 80 yds for a TD with :55 left. PSU got to the UF34 but was int'd at the 5.

Godaddy.com Bowl - MTSU QB Dwight Dasher had a TO plagued game throwing 4 int's all in the 2H. Miami Oh became the first team to lose 10 games one year and win 10 the next, despite the fact their HC was gone and they were led by interim HC Lance Guidry. MU came in as the MAC Champs but were an underdog in the game and finished with a 416-370 yd edge. The first 3 poss were punts. MTSU, which had a speed edge, went 89/8pl for a TD, 7-0. MU on 3&1 threw a WR screen that went 70 yds to the 3 and they got a TD on the next play, 7-7. MTSU went 69/6pl and a QB draw went 49 yds for a TD, 14-7. MU went 80/6pl for a TD, 14-14 (13:11 2Q). 5 punts. MU32 went 45/11pl but on 3&15 from the MTSU22 was int'd at the 2 with :18 left in the half. At the half MU had a 284-200 yd edge. MTSU opened the 3Q on 3&15 with the first of Dasher's 4 2H int's, this one was ret'd 52 yds for a TD, 21-14. MTSU went 57/2pl with a 54 yd Tanner TD run, 21-21. MU was int'd at their own 42 but MTSU fumbled at the 29. MTSU's next drive went 33/5pl but they were SOD at the MU44. MU got 1 FD & got off a 1 yd punt. MTSU went 3 & out. After a 44 yd PR, MU went 30/5pl for a TD incl a 3&10, 11 yd pass to the 19, 28-21. Dasher was int'd and ret'd 23 yds to their 17 but MU's 32 yd FG bounced off an OL's helmet and was ret'd to the 44. MTSU went 3 & out. MU went 71/11pl for a TD, 35-21. Dasher was int'd and ret'd 37 yds to their 42 (4:35). MU was SOD on 4&1 (3:40). MTSU got to the MU28 but was Dasher int'd in the EZ with 2:02 left.

Compass Bowl - Dave Wannstedt was forced out as Pitt's coach and then opted not to coach the bowl. Pitt had some distractions as their newly hired coach, Mike Haywood, was fired after an arrest. Phil Bennett was the acting HC and had already been hired by Baylor to be their new DC. Kentucky was without susp'd QB Mike Hartline and Morgan Newton, who started LY's bowl, hit 21-36-211. Newton outplayed Pitt QB Tino Sunseri who hit just 9-19-96 yards. Each team opened with a 50+ yard drive with Pitt being int'd at the UK16 and UK fmb'l'd at the Pitt34. UK went on a 12pl drive for a 50 yd FG. Pitt went on a 14 play drive settling for a 21 yd FG, 3-3 (11:29). UK went on a 38/8 drive but on 4th & inches were SOD at the Pitt37. Pitt went on a 47/9pl drive but settled for a 33 yd FG, 6-3. Pitt blocked a punt with 2:08 left in the half and recovered at the UK10 and Sunseri got a QB sneak TD with :28 left, 13-3. At the half Pitt had a 173-127 yd edge. UK got 1 FD and faked a punt but the upman's knee was down on their own 35. Pitt, 4pl later, threw a jumpball in the EZ for the 13 yd TD pass, 20-3. UK went 74/14pl for a TD, 20-10. Pitt went 69/11pl for a TD. The drive included a 4&4 FD scramble to the UK21. The TD made it 27-10 (10:26). UK went 48/8pl missing a 41 yd FG. Pitt got 1 FD & punted. UK33 went 43/9pl but on 4&1 lost 11 yds to the Pitt24. Pitt got 2 FD's and ran out the clock.

Fight Hunger Bowl - Chris Ault said this would go down as one of the greatest football teams to play at the University of Nevada and he should know, he's been there 27 years. NV finished #11 in the AP Poll. BC had one of the best sets of LB's in the country and they held NV's potent run game to just 114 yds rushing. BC was expected to get back top RB Montel Harris but he was inj'd in pregame warm-ups and DNP and that may have been the key factor in NV prevailing in a close one. This was almost a NV HG. There was an attendance of 41,063 and it looked like about 38,000 fans were from NV. In the 1H NV did have a 192-68 yd edge. NV fmb'l'd on their 2nd poss at their 30. Williams took a run 30 yds for a TD on the first play and BC led 7-0. NV went 77/10pl for a TD then got a 71 yd PR TD to lead 14-7 after 1Q. Three punts. NV went 65/10pl for a 32 yd FG, 17-7 (5:48 2Q). 2 punts. BC opened the 3Q with 1 FD and punted. BC got a 31 yd IR by AA LB Kuechly to the 6 but settled for a 22 yd FG, 17-10. 2 punts. NV went 46/9pl and got a 27 yd FG, 20-10. BC had a pass where def pass interference was not called as the defender clearly arrived early. The ball went up in the air and was int'd but NV fmb'l'd it back 6 plays later at the BC25. 4 punts. BC33 went 52/9pl but on 4&7 settled for a 32 yd FG with 3:52 left. NV rec'd the onside kick and punted with 3:06 left. BC got to their 42 but on 2&13 was int'd and ret'd 6 yds and NV took a knee.

BCS National Title Game - This one lived up to its advanced billing. It was a lower scoring game than expected as the D's had to hear about the other's offenses for over a month and the long layoff probably slowed down the potent offenses. AU finished with 28-23 FD and 519-449 yd edges. It was AU's first National Title since 1957 and it was the 5th straight year the SEC bagged the National crown. Tigers DL Nick Fairley was the player of the game, disrupting UO at the LOS but the 2 combined for close to 1,000 yds offense. The first 2 poss were punts, the next 3 were int's with UO getting to the AU20 and being int'd at the 14. AU punted and UO went 62/10pl settling for a 26 yd FG, 3-0. AU went 82/8pl and got a 35 yd TD pass to lead 7-3 (12:00 2Q). UO7 got an 81 yd pass over the middle to Maehl to the 12 then on 3&6 they got a TD and added a 2 pt conv, 11-7 (10:58). AU went 68/16pl but on 4&1 at the UO1 the pass went through the hands of Smith. After a 9 yd run on FD was cancelled by a motion penalty, UO RB James was tk'd for a safety, 11-9 (3:26). AU went 66/6pl and got a 30 yd TD pass with 1:47 left in the half to make it 16-11. UO got 1 FD & punted and AU got 3 FD's to the Duck46 but their Hail Mary was batted away. At the half, UO had a 279-240 yd edge. AU opened the 3Q with a 60/9pl drive and settled for a 28 yd FG, 19-11. UO got 3 FD's and punted. UO's next drive got 1 FD then they faked a punt and their P took a few steps, threw a jump pass over 2 defenders for a FD to the AU46. After another FD they were SOD on 4&4 at the 1. AU got 3 FD's and punted (13:24). The next 3 poss were punts. AU29 had QB Newton get the ball punched out from behind and after a pers foul on UO, the Ducks started at their 45. On 4&5 they got a FD and then a 2 yd TD run capped the 55/8pl drive, 19-19 (2 pt good) with 2:33 left. AU got 1 FD and a huge play. RB Dyer appeared to be down after a 7 yd gain but he never touched the ground. He paused, but cheered on by his bench, raced 37 yds down to the 23. On 3&4 he exploded for a 16 yd TD but he was reeled down at the 1/2 yd line. AU lined up like they were going to take a knee but Newton tried to score and was tk'd at the 2 and they got a 19 yd FG on the final play for the National Title.

NEWS AND NOTES - NFL CONFERENCE SEMI-FINALS

Baltimore at Pittsburgh - A look at the box score would have you thinking this was a low scoring game with neither team even registering 2 TD's. PIT had a 263-126 yd edge as the two combined for just 389 yards but the TO's mostly set up TD's and there was an amazing 55 pts on the board for a ypp of 7.07 which is less than 1/2 the usual average. BAL got 1 FD & punted and PIT went 80/10pl for a TD and a 7-0 lead. BAL went 68/10pl for a TD to tie with 1:20 1Q. Roethlisberger was sk'd and fmb'l'd. The players stood around but finally Redding ran over, scooped the ball up and ran into the EZ with it. The whistle had not blown, the replay ruled it a fumble which gave BAL a TD, 14-7. It's amazing a Steeler did not at least fall on the ball but everyone thought it was an incomplete pass. After each team punted, PIT fmb'l'd at their own 16. BAL went on a 16 yd "drive" for a TD, 21-7 (5:43 2Q). PIT went 54/11pl but missed a 43 yd FG with :21 left in the half. At the half PIT had a 114-98 yd edge. PIT punted to open the 3Q but BAL on 3&14 had Flacco hit Rice with a short pass and he fmb'l'd and PIT rec'd at their 23. PIT went on a 23 yd "drive" in 2pl for a TD to get back in the game and had all of the momentum. BAL went 3 & out. PIT got 2 FD's and punted. Flacco overthrew Heap and was int'd at the 42 and ret'd 17 yds. PIT went on a 25 yd "drive" and got the tying TD with 1:21 left in the 3Q. Flacco fmb'l'd at the 23. PIT got 1 FD & nailed a 35 yd FG for the lead. BAL got 2 FD's and punted. PIT went 3 & out and BAL's Webb ret'd it 55 yds for a TD and BAL appeared to have the lead again. However a late ? holding flag at the 19, set up BAL at the 29. BAL had a 1st & gl at the 8 and Boldin dropped a TD pass that hit him in the chest and they settled for a 24 yd tying FG, 24-24. PIT went 65/11pl, the key was a 3&19, 58 yd pass to the BAL4. Mendenhall on 3&gl from the 2 got the TD run, 31-24. BAL faced a 4&18 but Flacco's pass which hit Houshmandzadeh in the chest was dropped and the Steelers prevailed with 263-126 yd and 21-12 FD edges.

Green Bay at Atlanta - Things did not start out well for the Packers. ATL got 2 FD's and punted. GB was at their own 8 on 3 & 13 when Rodgers hit Jennings with a 30 yd pass but he fmb'l'd. ATL went 48/7pl for a TD to lead 7-0. GB would go on an 81/13pl drive for a TD, 7-7 but ATL got a playoff rec 102 yd KR by Weems to lead 14-7. GB went 92/10pl and Kuhn got a 1 yd TD run, 14-14 (6:06 2Q). ATL got 3 FD's but on 3&21 from the GB26 Ryan threw into the EZ and was int'd. GB went 80/7pl and got a TD with just :42 left in the half to lead 21-14 instead of trailing (if ATL had scored). ATL got into FG range but on 2&19 from the GB35 wanted to get a few more yds. They were int'd by Williams and ret'd 70 yds for a TD and stunningly the Packers led 28-14. GB did have a 268-106 yd edge at the half. The Packers opened the 3Q with an 80/12pl drive for a TD. ATL went 3 & out and the Packers went 50/8pl for a TD to basically ice it, 42-14 with 2:41 left 3Q. ATL went 73/7pl for a TD to make it 42-21 (14:21). GB ret'd the KO to the ATL39 but missed a 50 yd FG. ATL got 1 FD but then fmb'l'd. GB got 2 FD's and nailed a 43 yd FG, 45-21 (6:29). ATL on 4&1 fmb'l'd again and GB tacked on a 32 FG and ATL on 4&14 punted. For the game, GB had commanding 28-15 FD and 442-194 yd edges.



NY JETS (13-5)

AFC FINALS

PITTSBURGH (13-4)

Sunday, January 323rd • 6:30 pm CBS

POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO'S	ST	A.O.R.
NY Jets	99	116	19	1.6	#5	98.7
Pittsburgh	97	255	22	1.2	#18	99.0



JETS ATS: 11-7 O/U: 13-5

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
LaDainian Tomlinson	245	1039	4.2	31	8
Shonn Greene	221	912	4.1	23t	3
Brad Smith	40	310	7.8	53t	1
Joe McKnight	40	191	4.8	18	0

PASSING	ATT	COMP	YDS	PCT	TD	INT
Mark Sanchez	563	312	3472	55.4%	20	14
Mark Brunell	13	7	117	53.8%	2	1

RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Brayton Edwards	59	1018	17.3	74t	8
Santonio Holmes	59	812	13.8	52	7
Dustin Keller	61	744	12.2	41	5
Jerricho Cotchery	48	546	11.4	58	2

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	In20	BLK
Steve Weatherford	95	4049	42.6	x	12	44	0

KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL
Nick Folk	43-43	11-12	15-18	3-6	2-5	31-41

POS PLAYER	TKL	SK	TFL	PD	INT
LB David Harris	120	3	4	4	1
LB Bart Scott	86	1	7	2	0
S Eric Smith	74	1	0	4	0

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD
Jim Leonhard	23	258	11.2	0
Brad Smith	51	1450	28.4	2

STEELERS ATS: 10-6-1 O/U: 8-9

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Rashard Mendenhall	344	1319	3.8	50t	15
Isaac Redman	53	251	4.7	23	0
Ben Roethlisberger	40	187	4.7	31	2
Mewelde Moore	35	111	3.2	18	0

PASSING	ATT	COMP	YDS	PCT	TD	INT
Ben Roethlisberger	421	259	3426	61.5%	19	5
Charlie Batch	49	29	352	59.2%	3	3

RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD
Mike Wallace	63	1277	20.3	56t	10
Hines Ward	62	780	12.6	43	6
Heath Miller	47	551	11.7	36	3
Emmanuel Sanders	32	430	13.4	35	2
Antwan Randle El	23	253	11.0	34	0
Antonio Brown	19	242	12.7	26	0

PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	TB	In20	BLK
Daniel Sepulveda	56	2550	45.5	x	8	16	0
Jeremy Kapinos	18	770	42.8	x	3	6	0

KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL
Jeff Reed	19-19	8-9	7-7	0-6	2-4	16-24
Shaun Suisham	23-23	5-5	1-1	8-9	0-0	14-15

POS PLAYER	TKL	SK	TFL	PD	INT
LB Lawrence Timmons	144	3	8	9	2
LB James Farrior	114	6	5	6	0
LB James Harrison	107	13.5	8	7	2
S Ryan Clark	95	0	2	9	2
CB Bryant McFadden	81	2	0	10	2
CB Ike Taylor	68	1	0	13	2
S Troy Polamalu	65	1	5	11	7
LB William Gay	59	11	4	5	2
DE LaMarr Woodley	49	2	2	12	0
DE Brett Keisel	37	3	0	7	1
S Ryan Mundy	29	0	0	4	0
CB Anthony Madison	25	1	0	0	1

PUNT RETURNS	NO	YDS	AVG	TD
Antonio Brown	21	126	6.0	0
E. Sanders	25	628	25.1	0
A. Randle El	15	62	4.1	0
Antonio Brown	21	482	23.0	1

The AFC Championship will have the feel of a classic late 70's slugfest with a pair of old school style teams. The Jets pulled a 22-17 upset of the Steelers in Wk 15 as a 4 pt AD winning in PIT for the 1st time since 1970. PIT was without TE Miller & SS Polamalu & the defense struggled to mount an effective pass rush (1 sack, 2 QBH) vs Sanchez (170 yds 66%). PIT had a 378-276 yd edge but were done in thanks to 3 key mistakes. They gave up a 97 yd KR TD to open the game & down 3 with 2:38 left RB Moore was tackled in the EZ for a safety. PIT forced the Jets to go 3&out getting the ball back at the 8 with 2:08 left. Roethlisberger led them to the Jets 10 but on the final play of the game TE Spaeth went for a ball intended for another wide open PIT receiver & it went incomplete. PIT is 6-2 SU/ATS in its other home games TY outgaining foes by 51 ypg (+11 TO's) with a 25-17 avg score. The Jets are the 1st team since the 2002 Titans to beat Manning/Brady in B2B weeks. They are 7-2 SU/6-3 ATS in road games TY outgaining them by 42 ypg (-3 TO's) w/a 25-24 avg score (9-1 O/U away overall). Vs common foes the Jets went 7-3 SU/ATS w/a 342-277 yd edge (+15 TO's) for a 23-17 avg score. They faced the NFC North with DEN/HOU while PIT got the NFC South with TEN & OAK. PIT went 8-2 SU/5-4-1 ATS vs the common foes w/a 342-282 yd edge (+9 TO's) for a 25-18 avg score.

After having the most rush att's in '09 (607), NYJ trimmed them to 534 TY in the reg ssn as they opened the playbook to take adv of Sanchez being in the system for the 2nd yr & the FA pickups. The result was a mixed bag as Sanchez hit 54% (6.7 ypa) with a 12-20 ratio LY vs 55% (6.5) with a 17-13 ratio TY in the reg ssn. He has read D's better, but his progress was slowed by a shldr inj vs PIT. Sanchez has avg'd 184 ypg (60%) w/a 7-3 ratio w/ just 1 200 yd passing game in the playoffs. Tomlinson is an asset on 3rd Dn's & in blitz pickup with Greene failing to make an impact there. LY the Jets had the #31 pass attack (149 ypg) but had a decent improvement TY (22nd, 209 ypg) although they still haven't had a 1,000 yd rec S/O'7. They have spread the ball around more as 4 players have at least 52 rec's. The Jets have had the same OL for 13 gms TY & they got RT Woody (knee) back vs the Colts. Ryan cut his teeth on D & after finishing 1st LY (+1 TO), they were 3rd (+9 TO's) TY. NYJ are all'g an impressive 92 ypg (3.6) rush TY. The muscle of the D is its LB unit with Scott setting the tone & Harris being a drastically underrated ILB. The Jets use a 3-man OLB rotation to stay fresh for pass rush sit's with Thomas, Pace & Taylor comb for 16.5 sks (20 ideal for OLB's in 3-4). LY the Jets were fearsome in pass D all'g 52% (5.4 ypa) with an outstanding 8-17 ratio but TY Revis hasn't been himself. They've all'd 51% (6.5) with a 24-12 ratio as offenses have more tape to study. NYJ have our #5 ST's unit with P Weatherford having a strong year (50% punts In20) & Smith (28.6) having a great year on KR's.

PIT opened 2010 3-1 SU/ATS without Roethlisberger thanks to some great defensive work which held foes to 289 ypg with a 21-12 avg (+7 TO's). With their QB, PIT has outgained foes in 10 of 12 gms (NO/NE) in the reg ssn by 98 ypg (2nd overall) with a +9 TO margin (24-15 avg score). Thanks to the bye week & easy lead in gms vs CLE/MIA, Roethlisberger finished with a 17-5 ratio not throwing more than 1 int in a game. PIT has been very balanced with a 348-398 run-pass mix since his return thanks to Mendenhall who is the team's first 1,200 yd rusher S/O'7. Mendenhall had 26% of PIT's offense TY with Moore being a standout 3rd Dn back again. Wallace has evolved into the primary rec option finishing 5th in rec yds & 2nd in ypc in the NFL. Ward is now the possession WR here with excellent blocking skills & Miller is the prototype balanced TE. PIT is used to dealing with a patchwork OL in recent years with only LT Adams & star rookie C Pouncey starting all 17 gms for a unit that gave up 1 sk every 12 att's in the reg ssn with Roethlisberger. PIT missed being the #1 overall D by 84 yds but finished 1st vs the run (62.8, 3.0), sks by with 48 (1 every 12 att's) & pts all'd (232). PIT's DL is geared to occupy the opposing OL & allow the LB's to flow to the ball with DE Smith being regarded as one of the top 5 of the last decade. PIT has long set the standard for 3-4 LB's with Woodley & Harrison again combining for 22.5 sks in the reg ssn. After giving up a 22-12 ratio LY, PIT's #2 pass D is one of 3 to have more int than TD TY. PIT finished 18th in our ST's rankings TY improving their coverage units but the PR is weaker.

The Jets have reached the AFC Championship for the 2nd year in a row but instead of facing an offensive oriented team they get the defensive oriented Steelers. PIT won the SB just 2 years ago & have most of that nucleus still on board. PIT didn't pressure Sanchez much in the 1st meeting as they didn't have Polamalu in the secondary. With a less than 100% Polamalu vs BAL they logged 5 sacks, 4 QBH with 7 tfl's. PP calls for the side to be around the line here with PIT getting the win by a FG. It also leans with the Over but with only 567 yds between a pair of defensive oriented teams there isn't enough so No Play on the side & Total here.

NO PLAY: STEELERS 22 JETS 19

REGULAR SEASON COMPARISONS

RANKINGS		NY JETS		PITTSBURGH	
REG SSN	LAST 8 WKS	SU	11-5	SU	12-4
NYJ	PIT	ATS	9-7	ATS	9-6-1
		O/U	12-4	O/U	7-9
11	14				
4	11				
4.5	4.1				
2.2	1.4				
3	2				
3.6	3.1				
6	12				
8	25				
+9	+16				
15.3	14.7				
15.3	19.1				
13	12				
6	1				

MORE COMPARISONS		NYJ		PIT		
NYJ	PIT	NYJ	PIT	NYJ	PIT	
7-1	10-0	9.4	11.1	YDS PER PR	6.1	9.2
3-4	1-2	25.2	19.6	YDS PER KR	23.5	20.0
1-0	1-2	103	74	TOTAL PENALTIES	100	86
31.5	28.6	39.6	37.0	3RD DOWN %	43.1	33.5
27.6	28.0	35.7	37.0	4TH DOWN %	40.0	62.5
50	50	3.1	2.7	REDZONE ATT/GM	3.2	2.5
43	40	44.1	58.3	REDZONE %	50.9	41.9
20 (40.0%)	24 (48.0%)	32:03	27:57	AVG TOP	31:53	28:07
26 (60.5%)	16 (40.0%)					

TOP REGULAR SEASON PERFORMANCES

NYJ	GM	VERSUS	YDS	REC	GM	VERSUS	YDS	AVG
1. Mark Sanchez	9	at DET	336	11	1. Antonio Holmes	11	HOU	126
2. Mark Sanchez	11	HOU	315	12	2. Dustin Keller	2	NE	115
3. Mark Sanchez	10	at CLE	299	3	3. Santonio Holmes	9	at DET	114
4. Mark Sanchez	16	at CHI	269	4	4. Brayton Edwards	15	at PIT	100
5. Mark Sanchez	3	at MIA	256	5	5. Dustin Keller	3	at MIA	98
1. B. Roethlisberger	10	NE	287	11	1. R. Mendenhall	12	at BUF	151
2. B. Roethlisberger	16	CAR	320	2	2. R. Mendenhall	3	at TB	143
3. B. Roethlisberger	7	at MIA	302	3	3. R. Mendenhall	1	ATL	120
4. B. Roethlisberger	17	at CLE	280	4	4. R. Mendenhall	9	at CIN	99
5. B. Roethlisberger	11	OAK	275	5	5. R. Mendenhall	15	NYJ	99

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GREEN BAY (12-6)

NFC FINALS

CHICAGO (12-5)

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POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO'S	ST	A.O.R.
Green Bay	78	245	25	1.6	#24	98.8
Chicago	99	198	17	2.4	#4	97.8



PACKERS AT'S: 11-7 O/U: 7-11

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD				
Brandon Jackson	194	726	3.7	71	3				
Aaron Rodgers	69	373	5.4	27	5				
James Starks	77	290	3.8	27	0				
John Kuhn	69	287	4.2	18	5				
PASSING	ATT	COMP	YDS	PCT	TD	INT			
Aaron Rodgers	538	361	4468	67.1%	34	11			
Matt Flynn	66	40	433	60.6%	3	2			
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD				
Greg Jennings	85	1374	16.2	86	12				
James Jones	55	763	13.9	66	7				
Donald Driver	62	697	11.2	61	4				
Jordy Nelson	53	661	12.5	80	3				
Brandon Jackson	46	376	8.2	37	2				
J. Finley	21	301	14.3	34	1				
Andrew Quarless	25	279	11.2	23	1				
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	IN20	BLK			
Tim Masthay	75	3260	43.5	37.5	5	22			
KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL			
Mason Crosby	55-55	8-9	5-6	9-11	2-5	24-31			
POS PLAYER	TKL	SK	TFL	PD	INT				
LB AJ Hawk	116	0.5	3	10	3				
LB Desmond Bishop	113	4	1	8	1				
CB Charles Woodson	104	3	7	13	2				
S Nick Collins	72	0	1	12	4				
S Charlie Peprah	75	0	3	5	2				
LB Clay Matthews	67	16.5	5	4	1				
CB Tramont Williams	62	1	1	23	6				
DT BJ Raji	43	7.5	3	4	0				
LB Frank Zombo	38	4	0	0	0				
DT Ryan Pickett	35	1	2	1	0				
CB Sam Shields	36	0	1	7	2				
LB Brad Jones	27	0	4	0	1				
LB Erik Walden	22	4	0	1	0				
PUNT RETURNS NO YDS AVG TD	KICK RETURNS NO YDS AVG TD								
Tramont Williams	43	344	8.0	0	Jordy Nelson	22	486	22.5	0
					Sam Shields	21	452	21.5	0

BEARS AT'S: 9-10-1 O/U: 8-9

RUSHING	ATT	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD				
Matt Forte	292	1149	4.4	69	6				
Chester Taylor	123	311	2.5	24	4				
Jay Cutler	58	275	4.7	25	3				
PASSING	ATT	COMP	YDS	PCT	TD	INT			
Jay Cutler	460	276	3548	60.0%	25	16			
Todd Collins	27	10	68	37.0%	0	5			
RECEIVING	REC	YDS	AVG	LONG	TD				
Johnny Knox	55	1008	18.3	67	5				
Matt Forte	54	601	11.1	89	3				
Earl Bennett	47	574	12.2	48	3				
Greg Olsen	44	517	11.8	58	6				
Devin Hester	40	475	11.9	39	4				
Devin Aromashodu	10	149	14.9	34	0				
PUNTING	NO	YDS	AVG	NET	IN20	BLK			
Brad Maynard	88	3521	40.0	35.2	5	27			
KICKING	XP	1-29	30-39	40-49	50+	TOTAL			
Robbie Gould	40-40	10-10	8-9	4-7	3-4	25-30			
POS PLAYER	TKL	SK	TFL	PD	INT				
LB Brian Urlacher	132	4	11	10	1				
LB Lance Briggs	95	2	7	7	2				
CB Charles Tillman	84	0	1	17	5				
S Daniele Manning	74	0	0	7	1				
S Chris Harris	71	0	1	7	5				
CB Tim Jennings	61	0	2	9	1				
DE Julius Peppers	56	8	6	9	2				
DT Israel Idonije	50	8	5	3	0				
CB DJ Moore	47	1	4	8	4				
LB Pisa Tinoisamoa	41	1	4	1	0				
DT Anthony Adams	38	2	5	1	0				
CB Zack Bowman	32	0	1	0	0				
LB Brian Iwuh	26	1	3	0	0				
S Major Wright	26	0	0	1	0				
DT Matt Toesina	24	2	0	2	0				
PUNT RETURNS NO YDS AVG TD	KICK RETURNS NO YDS AVG TD								
Devin Hester	35	594	17.0	3	Daniele Manning	34	834	24.5	0
					Devin Hester	13	433	33.3	0

QB	CHI	RB	CHI	WR	CHI	CCH	1/2
✓✓✓	-	✓	-	✓	-	-	-
GB	CHI	CHECKLIST COMMENTS	Turf/Crowd				
OL	✓	- GB avg 6-4 312, 86 sts, 42 sks (7.0%), 3.8 ypc. CHI avg 6-4 313, 76 sts, 59 sks (12%), 3.9 ypc.	-				
DL	-	✓ GB DL 19 of 47 sks (40%), 115 ypg (4.7). CHI DL 25 of 34 sks (74%), 90 ypg (3.7).	✓				
LB	-	- GB's 3-4 is fast, aggressive & pressure oriented. CHI's are ideal system LB's w/improved DL protection.	✓				
DB	-	- GB #1 pass eff D, 194 ypg (56%), 16-24 ratio. CHI #3 pass eff D, 224 ypg (62%), 14-21 ratio.	✓				
ST	✓✓✓	SCH ✓	✓				

GREEN BAY
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Despite 181 previous meetings this will be only the 2nd time the Packers & Bears face off in the playoffs. GB is 4-2 SU/ATS in the Aaron Rodgers era splitting the series SU TY but dropping both ATS. CHI won the 1st game 20-17 as a 3 pt HD on MNF in the 1st meeting. GB self-destructed with 18 pen's as a fml on their final drive set up a 19 yd FG by CHI for the win. In the 2nd meeting on 1/2, CHI played its starters the full game despite having clinched the #2 seed as they wanted to keep GB out of the playoffs. GB won 10-3 (10 pt HF) as they played slugishly for the 1st 3Q. On the 3rd & 4th plays of the 4Q, Rodgers had 21 & 46 yd passes to set up the game's only TD. CHI punted on its next 2 drives & went 66/15pl before being int'd at the GB11 with :20 left. CHI is 5-3 SU/4-4 ATS at home TY (no GB) with basically even ydg (-1 ypg) with -2 TO's with a 22-22 avg score due to the NE blowout. GB is 5-5 SU/6-4 ATS on the road TY outgaining foes by 51 ypg (0 TO's) with a 21-15 avg score (2-7-1 O/U). Vs common foes CHI is 9-3 SU/7-4-1 ATS being outgained 322-298 (-44 TO's) with a 22-19 avg score. CHI faced CAR once & SEA at home twice outside of common foes. GB went 9-4 SU/ATS with a 350-326 yd edge (+10 TO's) with a 26-15 avg score. Outside of common foes GB faced PHI & ATL twice on the road while hosting SF.

GB & NO are the only tms to finish in the top 10 on off in each of the L5Y. Rodgers is an elite QB ranking 4th in pass yds, pass TD & QBR since he took over as the str in '08. TY he was 78 yds short of being the 1st QB to throw for 4,000 in each of his 1st 3 yrs. He has had to cope with the loss of RB Grant (brkn ankle in opener) & TE Finley (knee, 5th gm) who was a huge loss for 3rd down pkgs. As a result GB used its run gm to set up the play action & serve as an extra pass protector. GB's off relies on YAC with the Pack having 1,757 before the ssn finale. GB has 5 plays in the top 100 for rec's with Jennings finishing in the top 10 rec yds (1st time in career). Unlike LY, GB has enjoyed stability on the OL as they've had the same lineup for 14 str after Bulaga was installed at RT. LY Rodgers was sacked once every 11 att & TY it's once every 14 TY. GB has capitalized on pts off takeaways (124) which has helped them make up for a beaten up front 7. After starting 1 gm LY, Raji has been a beast as he's the only DL with 18 sts & his 6.5 reg ssn sks are the most by a NT S/'90. Despite a nagging hamstring inj Matthews is the 1st in GB hist with 10+ sks in his 1st 2Y. However, GB is very thin at the other OLB spot having started 4 diff plyrs. GB has had good health in the secondary (#1 pass D) with 3 of 4 st's together for all 18. This will be the 4th time in 5 yrs that GB's ST's have finished 24th or lower in our rankings with the return units (7.9 PR, 20.1 KR) being the main culprit TY.

Despite adding Martz as OC CHI avg'd just 289 ypg (327 ypg LY) while their scoring stayed at 20 ppg for a 2nd str reg season. While Jay Cutler threw for 392 fewer yds in the reg ssn TY his ratio improved from 27-26 to 23-16 with his QBR improving from 76.8 to 86.3. He accounted for 4 TD's in LW's win over SEA. Matt Forte topped the 1,000 yd mark (1069) in the reg ssn with three 100+ grms & he improved from 3.5 to 4.5 ypc as the Bears won all 5 grms when he rushed for 92+. Forte also tied for the team lead with 51 rec (10.7). In OC Martz's 1st yr we expected to see a significant increase in the passing #'s but that didn't occur. CHI lacks a star WR but Johnny Knox (51 rec, 18.8) finally gave them a deep threat after LY's top WR avg'd only 13.3 ypc. Bennett & Hester comb for 1,022 (11.9) while 09's leading rec hybrid TE Greg Olson had 404 (9.9). To say the OL struggled is an understatement. They allowed a league high 59 sks incl 10 to the NYG & 3 LW. They shuffled the OL early in the ssn but this group did start the final 10 together & all'd 27 sks in that span. While the offense was shut out in terms of Pro Bowlers, the D had 3 players named. The Bears finished 4th in pts all'd & 9th in yds (#21 & #17 LY) as they held 8 opp's to under 310 yds & 3 tms under 187 yds. The DL was bolstered by the FA acquisition of Pro Bowler Peppers (8 sk) & while the tm doesn't blitz often to get sks they led the NFL in FF's (15) & all'd only 3.7 ypc. The LB's continue to be the heart & soul of the team with both Urlacher & Briggs earning post ssn honors. The Bears secondary was productive as they finished #3 in the reg ssn with a defensive QBR of 74.4 & their 21 int were 5th in the NFL thanks to DC Rod Marinelli's streamlined Cover-2 system. CHI finished 4th in our ST's rankings due to elite coverage units (#3 PR's, #1 KR's) & Hester on PR's.

For the 1st time in 20 years the NFC Championship game features division rivals & its only fitting that its between storied franchises. Rodgers is just the 3rd NFL QB to post 300 yds, 80% with 3 TD & no int in a playoff game with his passing clinic vs ATL. CHI beat SEA in our NFL GOY LW getting a thin road team at home off their best game of the year. The Bears have gotten all the breaks in their sked TY but now have to face a very potent GB team. PP has the total right around the line with 620 totals yards. It does call for GB to win its 3rd straight playoff road game here with a 26 yd edge. We are aware that CHI's special teams are a great equalizer. GB has faced a tougher schedule TY & we like Rodgers with his 10-1 TD/int playoff ratio.

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REGULAR SEASON COMPARISONS

RANKINGS		GREEN BAY		CHICAGO	
REG	SSN	SU	10-6	SU	11-5
GB	CHI	ATS	9-6	ATS	9-6-1
O/U	O/U	O/U	6-10	O/U	7-9
TOTAL OFF		PER GAME		PER GAME	
9	30	5	28	24	15
24	22	22	18	21	14
3.8	3.8	OFF YPC	3.5	3.9	3.9
4	28	PASS OFF	2	30	30
5	9	TOTAL DEF	3	8	8
18	2	RUSH DEF	10	7	7
4.6	3.7	DEF YPC	4.7	3.9	3.9
5	20	DEF PASS	1	18	18
21	32	SACKS VS	21	25	20
1	17	SACKS BY	2	8	8
+10	+4	TO EDGE	+8	+3	+3
14.8	13.9	DEF YPP	14.4	12.4	12.4
20.6	17.6	DEF YPP	21.3	16.7	16.7
10	21	OFF SCORE	8	14	14
2	4	DEF SCORE	1	8	8
MORE COMPARISONS		TOTAL TO'S		TOTAL PENALTIES	
GB	CHI	YDS PER PR	YDS PER PR	YDS PER PR	YDS PER PR
8-3	6-2	2.9	11.0	2.8	11.0
2-1	4-3	20.1	21.8	20.1	21.8
0-2	1-0	78	98	78	98
27.6	31.5	41.5	36.2	41.5	36.2
29.8	28.5	38.5	30.0	38.5	30.0
51	51	3.4	2.1	3.4	2.1
31	42	62.9	48.7	62.9	48.7
32 (60.4%)	23 (45.1%)	31:36	28:24	31:36	28:24
15 (48.4%)	20 (47.6%)	AVG TOP	29:31	15 (48.4%)	20 (47.6%)

TOP REGULAR SEASON PERFORMANCES

QB	GM	VERSUS	YDS	REC	GM	VERSUS	YDS	AVG
1. Aaron Rodgers	16	NYG	404	5	1. Greg Jennings	11	MIN	152
2. Aaron Rodgers	12	ATL	344	2	2. Greg Jennings	16	NYG	142
3. Aaron Rodgers	3	CHI	316	3	3. Greg Jennings	6	MIA	133
4. Aaron Rodgers	6	MIA	313	4	4. Jordy Nelson	16	NYG	124
5. Aaron Rodgers	11	MIN	301	5	5. James Jones	9	DAL	123
1. Jay Cutler	1	DET	372	1	1. Matt Forte	5	CAR	166
2. Jay Cutler	6	SEA	280	2	2. Johnny Knox	6	SEA	120
3. Jay Cutler	7	WAS	281	3	3. Matt Forte	12	PHI	117
4. Jay Cutler	2	DAL	277	4	4. Matt Forte	16	NYJ	113
5. Jay Cutler	12	PHI	247	5	5. Earl Bennett	13	DET	104

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#14	Stan Lisowski	#20	Five Star Sports	#26	Rocketman Sports
#15	Will Cover	#21	Young Guns Sports	#27	Red Dog Sports
#16	Master Sports	#22	Triple Crown Sports	#28	Mti Sports
				#29	Hot Shots Sports
				#30	Jim Feist



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AFC	HF	HD	AF	AD	SBF	SBD	TOT	AFC	HF	HD	AF	AD	SBF	SBD	TOT
BAL	4-4	0-1	2-0	6-8	1-0	0-0	13-13	ATL	1-3	1-0	0-0	4-5	0-0	0-1	6-9
BUF	6-3-1	0-0	1-0	2-7	0-1	0-3	9-14-1	ARZ	0-0	2-0	0-0	2-3	0-0	1-0	5-3
CIN	5-2	0-1	0-0	0-1	0-1	1-0	6-5	CHI	5-7	0-0	0-0	2-5	1-0	0-1	8-13
CLE	0-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0	CAR	1-1	1-0	0-0	4-2	0-0	1-0	7-3
DEN	9-5	1-0	0-0-1	4-6	1-1	1-3	16-15-1	DAL	8-6	0-0	1-5	4-4	4-2	1-1	18-18
HOU	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	DET	1-1	0-0	0-1	1-5	0-0	0-0	2-7
IND	6-4	0-1	0-1	5-5	1-2	1-0	13-13	GB	7-4-1	0-0	1-1	6-4-1	2-1-1	0-0	16-10-3
JAX	2-1	0-0	0-1	3-4	0-0	0-0	5-6	MIN	6-3	0-1	0-1	6-12	0-1	0-3	12-21
KC	0-5	0-2	0-0	2-5	0-0	1-1	3-13	NO	1-5	1-0	0-1	0-3	0-0	1-0	3-9
MIA	6-6	3-3	0-0	1-8	1-1	1-2	12-20	NYG	5-4	2-0	0-0	8-3	1-0	2-1	18-8
NE	7-5-1	0-0	0-0	6-6	0-2	1-2-1	14-15-2	PHI	6-7	3-0	1-3	5-6	0-1	1-0	16-17
NYJ	3-2	0-0	0-0	10-5	0-0	1-0	14-7	SF	11-8-1	1-1	0-1	3-5	3-1	1-0	19-16-1
OAK	9-3	1-0	0-0	5-2-1	1-1	2-1	18-7-1	SEA	5-2	1-0	0-1	3-4	0-0	0-1	9-8
PIT	11-8	1-1-1	1-0	7-4	4-2	1-0	25-15-1	STL	4-5	0-1	1-1	5-7	0-1-1	0-1	10-16-1
SD	5-5	0-0	1-2	4-2	0-0	0-1	10-10	TB	2-3	1-1	0-1	2-4	0-0	1-0	6-9
TEN	2-7	1-0	1-1	7-8-1	0-0	0-0-1	11-16-2	WAS	8-2	1-0	0-0	6-5	1-2	2-0	18-9

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TEAM	RTG	TEAM	RTG	TEAM	RTG
1 New England	104.0	11 Green Bay	100.6	21 Tennessee	96.5
2 Baltimore	102.7	12 Dallas	100.1	22 Cleveland	96.4
3 New Orleans	102.4	13 Kansas City	100.1	23 San Francisco	96.0
4 Atlanta	102.4	14 Philadelphia	100.0	24 Washington	95.6
4 Pittsburgh	102.2	15 Tampa Bay	99.8	25 Cincinnati	95.3
6 Chicago	101.6	16 Jacksonville	99.7	26 Minnesota	95.2
7 NY Jets	101.4	17 Oakland	99.2	27 Seattle	95.1
8 NY Giants	101.3	18 Miami	99.0	28 Detroit	94.1
9 San Diego	101.2	19 St Louis	98.0	29 Arizona	93.5
10 Indianapolis	101.0	20 Houston	97.5	30 Buffalo	93.1
				31 Denver	93.1
				32 Carolina	92.6

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TEAM	LINE	SC	FD	RA-RY	CO-AT-PPY	I-F
New Mexico Bowl						
UTEP	50'	24	13	22-(-12)	14-33-245	3-0
BYU	-11	52	28	50-219	26-36-295	2-0
Humanitarian Bowl						
Northern Illinois	-1'	40	22	28-203	17-27-300	0-0
Fresno St	57	17	26	35-74	28-38-288	0-1
New Orleans Bowl						
Ohio	58	21	14	30-99	14-22-209	2-0
Troy	-2	48	30	33-220	33-43-382	0-0
Beef 'O' Brady's Bowl						
Louisville	-2'	31	15	29-109	20-32-178	0-1
Southern Miss	57'	28	24	40-170	21-34-226	0-1
Las Vegas Bowl						
Utah	58	3	8	29-107	10-24-93	0-3
Boise St	-16'	26	23	37-202	29-40-341	1-3
Poinsettia Bowl						
Navy	57'	14	22	51-235	8-15-147	1-0
San Diego St	-3	35	27	41-279	18-23-276	0-0
Hawaii Bowl						
Tulsa	74	62	18	31-188	17-32-343	0-2
Hawaii	-10	35	28	27-71	30-56-479	5-1
Little Caesars Pizza Bowl						
FIU	56'	34	15	37-168	16-28-140	1-4
Toledo	-1'	32	24	43-304	15-27-132	3-1
Independence Bowl						
Georgia Tech	56	7	18	57-279	5-14-41	1-3
Air Force	-3	14	17	49-170	11-23-117	0-0
Champs Sports Bowl						
NC State	49	23	21	36-103	28-45-275	0-1
West Virginia	-3	7	19	25-130	22-39-196	1-4
Insight Bowl						
Missouri	-2'	24	32	29-78	41-57-434	2-0
Iowa	46'	27	19	37-225	11-21-200	2-0
Military Bowl						
E Carolina	67'	20	19	21-32	39-62-311	2-0
Maryland	-7'	51	18	38-297	13-22-181	2-2
Texas Bowl						
Illinois	62'	38	25	50-291	18-23-242	0-0
Baylor	-1	14	24	29-124	31-43-313	0-0
Alamo Bowl						
Arizona	66'	10	25	38-90	32-50-280	3-1
Oklahoma St	-4'	36	17	20-72	25-41-240	0-0
Armed Forces Bowl						
Army	51'	16	16	50-199	2-7-30	0-0
SMU	-7	14	21	26-111	23-34-302	2-1
Pinstripe Bowl						
Kansas St	48	34	19	36-121	18-25-258	0-0
Syracuse	E	36	23	43-259	13-22-239	0-0
Music City Bowl						
North Carolina	-1	30	21	29-151	23-40-234	1-0
Tennessee	20T 50	27	20	29-27	27-45-312	3-0
Holiday Bowl						
Washington	52'	19	21	52-268	6-19-72	0-0
Nebraska	-14	7	14	41-91	10-21-98	1-1
Car Care Bowl						
USF	41	31	18	37-90	20-28-189	1-1
Clemson	-5'	26	17	27-50	24-41-246	2-0
Sun Bowl						
Notre Dame	47'	33	23	48-196	15-29-201	0-0
Miami, FL	-2'	17	20	24-103	26-40-319	4-0
Liberty Bowl						
UCF	53'	10	16	30-124	16-30-117	2-0
Georgia	-6'	6	19	32-82	21-38-198	2-0
Chick-fil-A Bowl						
Florida St	54'	26	18	45-218	12-21-90	1-0
South Carolina	-3	17	22	32-139	21-36-275	3-2
Ticket City Bowl						
Northwestern	61'	38	23	50-229	14-30-146	1-0
Texas Tech	-7'	45	34	29-183	43-56-369	1-1
Outback Bowl						
Penn St	48	24	17	36-139	17-41-211	5-0
Florida	-7	37	17	45-178	14-27-101	1-1
Capital One Bowl						
Michigan St	51'	7	12	28-(-48)	14-29-219	1-0
Alabama	-8	49	25	44-275	19-23-271	0-0
Gator Bowl						
Michigan	60	14	17	25-88	27-41-254	1-1
Mississippi St	-3'	52	26	58-204	18-23-281	1-0
Rose Bowl						
TCU	-3	21	18	26-82	15-23-219	0-0
Wisconsin	56'	19	20	46-226	12-21-159	0-0
Fiesta Bowl						
Connecticut	54'	20	19	41-112	19-39-223	2-0
Oklahoma	-14'	48	27	30-95	34-50-429	1-1
Orange Bowl						
Virginia Tech	59'	12	16	34-66	16-33-222	1-0
Stanford	-3'	40	19	31-247	18-23-287	1-1
Sugar Bowl						
Arkansas	56'	26	23	31-125	24-47-277	1-0
Ohio St	-3	31	20	45-225	14-25-221	0-0
Godaddy.com Bowl						
Middle Tenn	-2	21	15	32-208	18-29-162	4-1
Miami, OH	49	35	21	40-118	23-37-298	2-0
Cotton Bowl						
Texas A&M	49'	24	23	29-155	23-36-218	3-1
LSU	-2	41	24	55-288	10-19-158	1-0
Compass Bowl						
Kentucky	52	10	20	32-104	21-36-211	0-1
Pittsburgh	-4	27	20	46-261	9-19-96	1-0
Div IAA Championship						
E Washington	46	20	20	21-25	29-43-302	1-0
Delaware	-9'	19	26	46-197	2	