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NORTHEAST SPORTS' \$10 POWER PLAYS

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OPENING COLLEGE WEEK - THREE 4.5★'s! Week One 4.5★'s 3-0 SWEEP LY!!!

2011 STARTERS THAT HAVE DEPARTED SINCE SPRING

Arizona	LB	Brian Wagner (12 @Akron)
Boise St	C	Cory Yriarte (8)
Colorado St	DL	CJ James (10)
Duke	P	Alex King (12)
FAU	RB	Xavier Stinson (12)
Florida St	DB	Greg Reid (9)
Fresno St	WR	Jalen Saunders (8)
Georgia	RB	Isaiah Crowell (7)
Iowa St	DL	Ben Durbin (8)
Kansas	K	Alex Mueller (12)
Kansas St	OT	Manase Foketi (2)
Miami Fl	DB	Ray Ray Armstrong (1)
Middle Tenn	WR	Jamal Gray (5)
Mississippi	WR/DB	Nikolas Brassel (6)
Navy	CB	David Sperry (12)
North Texas	LB	Michael Stojkovic (9)
Ohio St	LB	Storm Klein (10)
Oklahoma	C	Ben Habern (6)
Oklahoma St	OT	Michael Bowie (5)
Oregon St	WR	Jordan Bishop (8)
Penn St	WR	Devon Smith (4)
Penn St	RB	Silas Redd (11)
Penn St	WR	Justin Brown (11)
Penn St	K/P	Anthony Fera (13)
TCU	RB	Ed Wesley (9)
UNLV	DL	Nate Holloway (3)
W Michigan	OG	Deon Cammock (5)

OTHERS WITH STARTS IN 2011 THAT DEPARTED SINCE SPRING

Arizona	CB	Cortez Johnson (2)
Arkansas	WR	Maudrecus Humphrey (2)
Baylor	DE	Tevin Elliott (5)
BYU	RB	Josh Quezada (1)
Colorado St	S	Drew Reilly (2)
FAU	QB	David Kooi (1)
Florida	TE	AC Leonard (4)
Idaho	WR	Ken McRoyall (1)
Kentucky	WR	Brian Adams (2)
Memphis	CB	Taurean Nixon (9)
Mississippi	QB	Zack Stoudt (4)
New Mexico St	OL	Maveu Heimuli (1)
Oklahoma	WR	Kameel Jackson (2)
Oklahoma St	RB	Herschel Sims (1)
Penn St	QB	Rob Bolden (7)
South Carolina	WR	Lamar Scruggs (2)
Tennessee	TE	Cameron Clear (2)
Tennessee	DB	Izauea Lanier (9)
Troy	FS	Angelo Hadley (4)
UTEP	QB	Jay Hall (1)
WKU	RB	John Evans (1)

FIELDS AND STADIUMS

Maryland	Switch to FieldTurf
New Mexico	Switch to FieldTurf
California	Returns to Memorial Stadium
Washington	Will play at CenturyLink Field

NEW RULES

Kickoffs will be moved up to the 35 yard line from the 30
The kicking team will only have a five yard running head start on kickoff
Touchbacks will move from the 20 yard line to the 25 yard line only on kickoffs and free kicks after a safety.
Players will be forbidden to leap over other players when blocking punts
Players who lose their helmets during a play (except when caused by fouls such as grabbing the facemask) will have to leave the field for one play
Only players in the Tackle box and not in motion can block below the waist

NEW HEAD COACHES

Akron	Terry Bowden	Houston	Tony Levine	Penn St	Bill O'Brien
Arizona	Rich Rodriguez	Illinois	Tim Beckman	Pittsburgh	Paul Chryst
Arizona St	Todd Graham	Kansas	Charlie Weis	Rutgers	Kyle Flood
Arkansas	John L. Smith	Massachusetts	Charley Molnar	Southern Miss	Ellis Johnson
Arkansas St	Gus Malzahn	Memphis	Justin Fuente	Texas A&M	Kevin Sumlin
Colorado St	Jim McElwain	Mississippi	Hugh Freeze	Toledo	Matt Campbell
Florida Atlantic	Carl Pelini	New Mexico	Bob Davie	Tulane	Curtis Johnson
Fresno St	Tim DeRuyter	North Carolina	Larry Fedora	UAB	Garrick McGee
Hawaii	Norm Chow	Ohio St	Urban Meyer	UCLA	Jim Mora Jr

PICKING AN UPSET

There has been a lot of college football played S/97, 15 years worth of it. If you count each FBS team playing a game (so 2 tm each gm) in that span there were 20,882 diff gm of data to analyze. Let's look at the biggest favorites and you will see that Las Vegas does its job well picking out big favorites. Since 1997 there have been 596 teams that have been favored by OVER 31 points in a game. Of those 596 only SIX have lost the game straight up. The biggest upset ever was when Stanford (+41) upset USC in 2007 and showing what a weird year that was, the 2nd biggest upset ever was also in 2007 when Syracuse (+37) beat Louisville. The other 3 huge upsets since 1997 were: Temple (+35.5) over Virginia Tech in 1998, Central Michigan (+35.5) over Western Michigan in 2000, James Madison (+35) over Virginia Tech in 2010 and North Texas (+32) over Texas Tech in 1997. Basically an underdog of 31 points or more in a game, wins

1% of the time.

Now let's look at the chances of your favorite team winning if they are installed as an underdog of 24.5 to 31 points. Since 1997 there have been 756 teams that have been favored by 24.5 to 31 points in a game. You would expect the underdogs would have a better chance of winning outright than the above teams and naturally they do. In that span 30 teams that have been favored by that margin have lost straight up in a game with three such upsets last year. Texas Tech was +28.5 when they upset Oklahoma on the road, Iowa St was +27.5 when they upset Oklahoma St at home and Sacramento St was +27.5 when they beat Oregon St on the road. The amount of upset did not go up as much as we thought they would as upsets occurred only 3.97% of the time or 1 out of every 25.2 games.

You would figure that the percentage of upsets in the 17.5 to 24 point favorites level would go up drastically from that 3.97% in the previous category. Since 1997 there have been 1,316 teams that have been favored by 17.5 to 24 points. We're still a little surprised that there were only 89 upsets in this level of favorites over the 15-year span. That is just 6.8% upsets which comes out to 1 upset loss for every 14.8 teams that are favored by 17.5 to 24 points. Last year there were six such upsets which included UNLV over Hawaii, Northwestern over Nebraska, Wyoming over San Diego St, New Mexico St over Minnesota, Colorado over Utah and UAB over Southern Miss.

We will start breaking it down into smaller categories as we continue to go down in level of favoritism. The next category to look at are teams that are favored by 14.5 (more than 2 TD's) to 17 points. Since 1997 there have been 836 teams that have been favored by 14.5 to 17 points in a game. Of the 836 teams favored by this amount 110 have lost the game outright. That is close to double the odds as the category above as 13.2% of the teams favored by 14.5 to 17 points lose outright and an upset occurs 1 time for every 7.6 games played in that level. There were only 8 such upsets last year including USC over Oregon.

The next level down that we'll look at is the 10.5 to 14 point category. From 1997 - 2011 there were 1,458 teams that were favored by this level. Of those 1,458 games there were 306 upsets which was 20.99% of the time. That still means that roughly 4 out of every 5 teams favored by 10.5-14 points wins the game with an upset occurring once every 4.8 times.

From 1997-2011 there were 1,360 teams that were favored by 7.5 to 10 points and of those 1,360 teams there were 359 upsets which was almost the same results as the favorites from 10.5 to 14. That means that 26.39% of the time a team was favored by 7.5 to 10 points they lost outright and that translates into 1 upset every 3.8 games.

Since 1997 there have been 2,476 teams that have been favored from 3.5 to 7 points. These are teams that are expected to win the game but the game should be close. The last time we tightened up the category the upsets went from every 4.8 games to every 3.8 games. Should we expect 1 in every 2.8 games here? Since 1997, 865 of the 2,476 teams that were underdogs of 3.5 to 7 points have pulled outright upsets and that translates into 1 every 2.9 games or 34.9% of the time.

Now we get to the category that will tell us if Las Vegas knows what they are doing. Games where a team is favored by 3 points or less. These games are basically toss-ups but Vegas favors one team and makes them the favorite. What percentage of teams pull minor upsets as underdogs of 3 points or less? Since 1997 there have been 1,643 favorites of 3 points or less. There have been 785 "upsets" by teams that are underdogs of 3 points or less which comes out to be 47.8% and that shows these games are definitely toss-ups!

Typing this, we are thinking that 3 point games should have a much higher % of the favorite winning so let's take a closer look at just those games. There have been 576 games in which a team was favored by 3 points by Las Vegas over the last 15 years. How many times does that team win outright? The answer is 319 times or 55.4% of the time. That is 319 times the favorite has won and 257 times the underdog has won which means the underdog is almost as likely as the favorite to win the game when the line is exactly 3 points.

Here is a quick chart showing the chances of a team winning outright depending on where Las Vegas sets the line.

FAVORITE OF	# OF GMS	LOST OUTRIGHT	%
31+ pts	596	6	1.01%
24.5-31	756	30	3.97%
17.5-24	1316	89	6.76%
14.5-17	836	110	13.16%
10.5-14	1458	306	20.99%
7.5-10	1360	359	26.39%
3.5-7	2476	865	34.94%
3 or less	1643	785	47.78%

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EARLY BIRD PLAY OF THE WEEK (Monday)..... 137-68 67% L/14Y
FREE POWER PLAYS 4★ (Tuesday) 21-5 81% L2Y
ECONOMY CLUB #2 PLAY (Wednesday)..... 60-36 63% L6Y
BIG DOG PRIVATE PLAY HOTLINE (Thursday)..... 20-9 69% L2Y
BIG 12 PRIVATE PLAY HOTLINE (Friday)..... 59-36 62% L8Y

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, in 1992, Washington's defense vs the rush was rated at a "110" (From 1-100). They faced Colorado and allowed 183 yds rushing and **dropped 12 spots** in the national rushing defense ratings. However, Power Plays took into account the potent Buffalo run attack and had forecasted the Huskies yielding 225 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 was Michigan vs Purdue in 1989. Michigan held Purdue to just 45 yards rushing and improved their ratings in rushing defense in the national statistics. However, our ratings had them rated at a 102 and moved them down to 99, as they should have yielded just 32 yards to an impotent Purdue 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 South Carolina played NC State in 1989, South Carolina QB Todd Ellis was injured on the third play of the game. His backup, who had seen very little action all year, was not prepared and hit on just 4 of 13 passes for 65 yards. The offensive coordinator did not risk any passes. In the national statistics NC State's pass defense **MOVED UP 14 NOTCHES**. In Phil's Power Ratings they **stayed the same**, as the low yardage 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: In 1989, Ohio St was held to 127 yards passing vs Northwestern. This dropped OSU in the national passing offense ratings & **RAISED** the Wildcats in the pass defense ratings. In our ratings the two units **remained** rated the same. Why? OSU rushed for 456 yards & **DID NOT HAVE TO PASS &** when they did they hit 9 of 11 passes, which is **VERY** effective. While Northwestern'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.



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ACC		BIG EAST		SUN BELT		WAC		BIG TEN		BIG 12	
Current		Current		Current		Current		Current		Current	
Florida St	152	Louisville	140	WKU	128	Louisiana Tech	138	Wisconsin	145	Oklahoma St	152
Boston College	141	USF	137	Louisiana	125	San Jose St	123	Michigan	143	Oklahoma	149
NC State	140	Rutgers	134	ULM	124	Utah St	118	Ohio St	143	Texas	146
Virginia Tech	137	Connecticut	134	North Texas	122	Idaho	114	Michigan St	141	Kansas St	145
Georgia Tech	135	Cincinnati	131	FIU	120	New Mexico St	109	Nebraska	137	West Virginia	145
North Carolina	133	Pittsburgh	131	Arkansas St	119	Texas St	91	Purdue	133	TCU	143
Clemson	133	Syracuse	122	Troy	117	UTSA	87	Northwestern	132	Texas Tech	139
Miami, FL	133			Middle Tennessee	108			Minnesota	130	Baylor	138
Duke	132			Florida Atlantic	107			Iowa	130	Iowa St	131
Virginia	126			South Alabama	89			Illinois	127	Kansas	129
Maryland	126							Penn St	123		
Wake Forest	126							Indiana	123		
CONFERENCE USA		INDEPENDENT		MAC		PAC-12		SEC		MOUNTAIN WEST	
Current		Current		Current		Current		Current		Current	
Houston	139	BYU	143	N Illinois	131	USC	160	Alabama	156	Boise St	140
Tulsa	139	Notre Dame	142	Miami, Oh	130	Oregon	150	LSU	156	Nevada	129
UCF	135	Army	133	W Michigan	129	Stanford	149	Arkansas	149	Air Force	125
East Carolina	130	Navy	128	Temple	126	Oregon St	141	Georgia	145	Fresno St	124
S Mississippi	129			Toledo	125	Utah	138	Florida	143	Wyoming	123
SMU	127			Bowling Green	125	California	135	Missouri	143	San Diego St	121
Marshall	124			Ball St	124	UCLA	132	Tennessee	142	Hawaii	116
UTEP	121			Kent St	122	Washington	131	South Carolina	142	Colorado St	116
UAB	116			E Michigan	121	Arizona	130	Auburn	142	New Mexico	111
Rice	114			Ohio	120	Washington St	129	Vanderbilt	140	UNLV	110
Memphis	111			Cent Michigan	120	Colorado	127	Mississippi St	139		
Tulane	106			Buffalo	114	Arizona St	122	Texas A&M	139		
				Akron	96			Kentucky	129		
				UMass	92			Mississippi	124		

WEEKLY MATCHUP STAT COMPARISON

*FCS LAST YEAR	PPG Off Avg	Off Rush YPG	Off Pass YPC	Off Comp %	PPG Def Avg	Def Rush YPG	Def Rush YPC	Def Pass YPG	Def Comp %	
A South Carolina	31.2	169.0	4.1	149.5	55.9	25.2	118.7	3.5	206.5	54.1
H Vanderbilt	33.9	214.1	5.1	172.3	48.7	19.3	106.9	3.1	190.3	52.4
A UCF	21.3	94.8	2.8	266.2	67.5	28.8	134.5	4.7	256.7	59.0
H Akron	16.8	119.7	3.5	204.3	51.5	29.3	213.3	5.1	201.3	59.6
A E Michigan	15.7	173.5	4.0	112.7	53.6	32.2	187.4	4.9	230.5	61.5
H Ball St	27.0	125.0	3.9	281.2	68.6	32.0	260.4	5.5	207.8	68.1
A LA Tech	25.1	115.3	3.4	242.3	57.5	19.0	153.5	3.7	206.1	56.1
H Texas A&M	40.6	179.4	4.8	309.7	63.6	21.6	95.0	2.5	249.9	67.3
A *Massachusetts	24.0	123.7	3.3	224.5	56.5	26.3	118.0	3.5	251.0	55.8
H Connecticut	27.1	148.4	3.7	196.0	50.8	21.7	73.4	2.3	274.1	61.0
A UCLA	17.9	134.0	3.6	217.6	55.2	37.5	200.8	5.4	251.6	67.0
H Rice	26.4	146.6	3.5	246.0	63.7	22.0	126.4	3.8	239.0	55.4
A Washington St	22.7	86.0	2.6	302.5	58.9	34.7	201.0	5.2	217.3	60.9
H BYU	32.9	181.1	4.8	246.9	56.8	18.3	139.7	4.4	196.3	58.4
A Minnesota	14.2	134.4	3.7	165.6	49.6	36.2	181.0	4.6	237.6	71.0
H UNLV	25.8	172.2	4.4	169.4	59.2	35.0	151.6	4.5	215.0	54.8
A *UTSA	16.8	80.2	3.1	218.8	55.4	32.3	181.5	4.3	218.8	54.5
H *South Alabama	22.0	137.8	3.7	196.0	47.9	30.5	162.0	3.7	215.8	71.8
A Tennessee	10.8	70.5	2.4	201.0	48.9	32.3	183.3	4.5	191.8	63.1
A NC State	18.3	57.5	2.1	251.3	62.5	27.3	129.5	3.5	239.7	60.0
A Boise St	50.1	188.3	4.8	323.0	74.3	19.4	107.7	3.9	234.6	56.0
H Michigan St	38.3	163.7	4.3	252.7	68.3	12.1	98.1	3.0	153.0	47.7
A San Jose St	23.1	80.4	2.9	276.3	60.9	34.3	203.9	4.8	250.1	65.5
H Stanford	43.4	203.3	5.2	254.1	71.6	20.7	110.6	3.4	223.0	56.7
A Notre Dame	25.9	172.0	4.7	242.3	61.2	20.1	113.3	3.4	226.1	61.1
A Navy	24.3	275.3	5.1	62.9	43.3	25.7	181.0	4.9	222.7	71.0
A Marshall	16.4	124.1	3.6	189.4	58.5	32.6	158.4	4.4	260.9	66.2
H West Virginia	37.7	126.0	4.0	364.1	63.9	22.3	113.6	3.1	168.9	60.1
A Ohio	32.5	195.3	4.5	247.9	63.8	27.8	136.6	4.0	258.0	57.7
H Penn St	20.9	163.7	4.1	182.6	47.6	12.1	136.4	3.5	151.1	52.5
A Northwestern	30.4	177.1	3.9	239.9	69.2	30.4	177.6	4.4	251.3	62.0
H Syracuse	26.4	129.7	3.8	232.4	61.5	26.0	118.6	3.2	264.0	57.9
A Miami, Oh	16.8	56.0	2.0	295.7	63.6	23.8	198.7	4.8	164.0	59.6
H Ohio St	27.7	202.4	4.5	137.4	53.6	16.9	102.1	3.2	192.9	54.7
A W Michigan	27.4	67.4	2.7	351.9	64.1	34.6	259.1	5.9	235.9	67.1
H Illinois	25.6	168.9	4.0	202.1	65.6	20.4	128.0	3.3	166.1	60.0
A Tulsa	29.4	156.1	4.5	244.1	61.3	25.7	135.9	3.4	273.1	58.6
H Iowa St	24.2	172.0	4.1	241.3	51.7	28.5	164.7	4.3	251.5	59.6
A Nevada	23.3	238.6	5.2	208.4	60.3	32.4	173.7	4.7	238.6	52.3
H California	31.8	207.4	4.8	219.2	59.5	33.0	50.2	1.7	156.4	50.0
A Southern Miss	37.0	180.6	4.8	248.9	58.9	25.6	162.0	3.8	234.1	60.5
H Nebraska	33.7	217.6	4.5	176.0	59.0	19.9	147.9	4.1	190.7	51.4
A Miami, FI	22.8	129.8	3.6	249.4	68.5	24.0	128.6	3.7	255.5	73.9
H Boston College	20.2	115.3	3.2	202.2	54.7	22.7	117.3	3.4	244.0	68.3
A Northern Illinois	36.3	171.3	4.5	275.6	60.2	35.8	170.6	4.3	325.1	60.8
A Iowa	19.5	135.0	3.7	204.0	55.3	25.2	173.3	3.8	190.2	59.3
A Colorado	16.3	79.9	2.9	228.8	56.6	36.5	192.3	5.3	231.0	69.0
A Colorado St	20.8	131.0	3.4	183.7	62.8	29.2	235.5	5.5	138.3	60.5
A Buffalo	13.5	119.2	3.5	180.3	54.3	34.8	218.5	4.8	225.3	66.7
H Georgia	35.4	183.6	4.3	236.6	59.6	20.6	113.5	3.6	150.1	55.9
A Bowling Green	26.2	116.5	3.3	247.8	58.7	32.2	189.0	4.9	223.2	56.3
H Florida	30.0	145.9	3.8	225.0	61.4	19.7	94.4	2.7	178.7	54.3
A Wyoming	21.9	155.1	4.3	201.1	62.4	32.3	243.1	5.2	217.0	61.6
H Texas	30.8	282.8	5.5	160.5	57.0	16.7	73.5	2.7	169.3	58.9
A *Texas St	21.0	191.7	4.2	141.3	55.8	32.7	178.5	5.3	314.7	55.0
H Houston	50.1	144.6	4.7	425.6	70.5	22.1	164.0	4.1	237.3	57.8
A Clemson	27.6	147.7	4.5	236.3	55.2	32.9	200.0	4.3	215.1	58.6
A Auburn	19.0	197.5	4.6	150.0	49.0	33.8	190.7	4.9	260.5	65.0
A Hawaii	27.8	56.7	2.9	322.8	59.3	31.7	145.8	3.7	259.2	61.7
H USC	38.0	151.0	5.1	320.4	71.6	23.1	107.0	3.4	271.7	65.5
A Michigan	25.2	133.4	3.3	198.6	50.0	22.0	130.2	3.6	202.6	62.5
A Alabama	34.0	232.8	5.8	185.0	65.4	8.2	46.5	1.5	116.3	48.7
A Rutgers	21.8	63.2	2.0	263.0	54.4	20.2	157.0	4.2	162.2	53.7
H Tulane	20.8	116.3	3.7	259.3	53.7	41.8	182.3	4.9	251.2	60.3
A Oklahoma	37.4	142.0	4.3	329.6	64.0	23.9	124.9	3.4	218.0	57.3
H UTEP	27.8	186.5	5.3	232.7	61.5	32.5	190.7	5.1	239.2	60.5
A Toledo	35.3	172.6	4.4	240.9	69.2	25.7	138.9	3.8	214.9	58.1
H Arizona	32.7	119.0	3.8	352.5	68.1	31.0	164.5	4.7	236.3	61.8
A San Diego St	25.0	158.3	4.3	221.2	53.0	22.7	228.3	5.2	170.7	52.3
H Washington	35.3	162.0	4.3	247.0	68.8	28.5	84.0	3.2	319.8	59.3
A Troy	18.6	88.1	3.4	285.3	62.0	37.6	223.1	4.6	251.9	63.8
H UAB	17.2	134.2	3.9	211.4	57.1	36.2	195.8	5.3	297.0	75.6
A FIU	20.7	107.6	3.2	205.4	60.7	19.0	129.0	3.4	224.7	56.4
H Duke	23.3	110.1	3.3	252.1	61.8	30.1	184.9	5.1	226.3	56.2
A North Texas	17.0	116.2	3.0	197.0	59.8	37.2	180.3	5.3	264.2	67.9
H LSU	41.9	216.9	4.9	188.1	59.7	12.0	79.4	2.4	138.6	53.1
A Arkansas St	25.1	90.9	2.6	302.6	62.2	25.4	118.7	3.2	246.9	57.5
H Oregon	48.1	314.9	6.6	254.1	62.7	23.4	152.6	4.0	260.6	58.3
A Kentucky	8.4	63.2	2.2	100.2	37.5	29.8	193.2	4.1	196.4	53.1
H Louisville	18.0	124.8	3.7	215.8	65.1	15.8	113.3	3.1	199.5	59.3
A SMU	20.1	97.1	3.5	257.9	55.7	26.7	124.3	3.4	257.6	68.0
H Baylor	50.5	259.3	5.5	342.5	73.9	31.0	160.6	4.7	300.4	64.7
A Georgia Tech	31.2	293.9	5.3	125.7	50.0	27.5	163.3	4.7	184.7	54.7
H Virginia Tech	31.2	175.8	4.3	242.0	63.2	18.8	126.8	3.7	212.2	45.7

2012 COLLEGE POWER PLAYS RANKINGS

Listed below are Northcoast Sports' Power Play Rankings. These Power Play Rankings are unique. Our rankings are unlike any computer ranking, as we take into account all the following: Strength of Opponents, Individual Units (Rushing Offense, Rushing Defense, Passing Offense, and Passing Defense) Garbage Yards, Weather, Injuries, Home Field Edges, and successful Unbalanced Attacks. Regular rankings based solely on numbers DO NOT take into account these factors.

RUSH OFFENSE	PASS OFFENSE	SCORING OFFENSE	RUSH DEFENSE	PASS DEFENSE	SCORING DEFENSE
1 Georgia Tech	1 West Virginia	1 USC	1 Georgia	1 Texas	1 Florida
2 Oregon	2 Washington St	2 Oklahoma	2 Florida St	2 Florida	2 Florida St
3 Army	3 Texas Tech	3 Arkansas	3 Alabama	3 Florida St	3 Alabama
4 Navy	4 Oklahoma	4 Oregon	4 Stanford	4 Illinois	4 Texas
5 Air Force	5 Houston	5 West Virginia	5 Michigan St	5 Alabama	5 Georgia
6 Wisconsin	6 USC	6 Clemson	6 Florida	6 Georgia	6 Ohio St
7 Michigan	7 Oklahoma St	7 Florida St	7 LSU	7 Ohio St	7 LSU
8 Texas	8 Arkansas	8 Texas A&M	8 Ohio St	8 UCLA	8 USC
9 Arizona	9 Florida St	9 Oklahoma St	9 Virginia Tech	9 Michigan St	9 Virginia Tech
10 Nebraska	10 Baylor	10 LSU	10 Texas	10 Tennessee	10 Oklahoma
11 Alabama	11 Tennessee	11 Texas	11 Texas A&M	11 Oregon St	11 Michigan St
12 LSU	12 W Michigan	12 Florida	12 Notre Dame	12 Virginia Tech	12 Tennessee
13 USC	13 Clemson	13 Alabama	13 USC	13 Oklahoma St	13 Notre Dame
14 Ohio St	14 Georgia	14 TCU	14 Oregon	14 Oklahoma	14 Stanford
15 Stanford	15 Oregon St	15 Notre Dame	15 S Carolina	15 USC	15 Mississippi St
16 TCU	16 Miami, Oh	16 Wisconsin	16 USF	16 LSU	16 Oregon
17 Southern Miss	17 SMU	17 Baylor	17 Rutgers	17 Utah	17 Illinois
18 Texas A&M	18 Notre Dame	18 Nebraska	18 Penn St	18 California	18 Nebraska
19 S Carolina	19 Missouri	19 Pittsburgh	19 Kansas St	19 Nebraska	19 S Carolina
20 Pittsburgh	20 East Carolina	20 Texas Tech	20 BYU	20 S Carolina	20 Rutgers

RUSH OFFENSE	PASS OFFENSE	SCORING OFFENSE	RUSH DEFENSE	PASS DEFENSE	SCORING DEFENSE
105 Texas State	105 UTSA	105 FIU	105 Marshall	105 Syracuse	105 Toledo
106 Tulane	106 WKU	106 UAB	106 Ball St	106 Connecticut	106 UTSA
107 Colorado	107 N Illinois	107 Rice	107 Tulane	107 Kentucky	107 ULM
108 San Jose St	108 Minnesota	108 Temple	108 N Mexico St	108 Texas State	108 Idaho
109 Troy	109 Colorado St	109 Tulane	109 W Michigan	109 Rice	109 Colorado St
110 Hawaii	110 Kentucky	110 Middle Tenn	110 UTEP	110 C Michigan	110 Hawaii
111 Idaho	111 FIU	111 Colorado St	111 S Alabama	111 UTSA	111 Ball St
112 UTEP	112 Penn St	112 WKU	112 Middle Tenn	112 Toledo	112 Rice
113 Rice	113 Akron	113 N Mexico St	113 New Mexico	113 Hawaii	113 Middle Tenn
114 N Mexico St	114 Texas State	114 Florida Atl	114 Air Force	114 UNLV	114 Louisiana
115 UTSA	115 Kent St	115 UNLV	115 Troy	115 N Mexico St	115 Indiana
116 S Alabama	116 Florida Atl	116 UMass	116 Rice	116 Northwestern	116 New Mexico
117 Florida Atl	117 S Alabama	117 Kent St	117 UAB	117 Louisiana	117 Tulane
118 New Mexico	118 E Michigan	118 Penn St	118 Wyoming	118 Arkansas St	118 North Texas
119 Memphis	119 Temple	119 Memphis	119 Memphis	119 Arkansas St	119 N Mexico St
120 Akron	120 UNLV	120 Texas State	120 Indiana	120 New Mexico	120 UNLV
121 North Texas	121 Georgia Tech	121 UTSA	121 Texas State	121 Memphis	121 UAB
122 Miami, Oh	122 Air Force	122 Akron	122 Akron	122 North Texas	122 Memphis
123 Washington St	123 Navy	123 New Mexico	123 Colorado St	123 Ball St	123 Florida Atl
124 SMU	124 Army	124 S Alabama	124 Akron	124 UAB	124 Akron

2011 'TOUGHEST' OPPONENT' UNIT'S FACED

WHAT ARE THE TOUGHEST OPPONENT RANKINGS?

These rankings go far beyond the NCAA's straight statistical ranking of each team. For example last year Notre Dame ranked #89 in the NCAA in rush defense allowing 170 ypg, but ranked #40 in our rush defense rankings because they faced the toughest schedule of rush offenses in the NCAA LY. As you can see, the NCAA's statistical rankings can be misleading. In the upcoming weeks we'll provide examples of this year's statistical disparities. These are the current rankings for this year. Here are the teams that have took on the toughest & easiest schedules last year.

RUSH OFFENSES	PASS OFFENSES	SCORING OFFENSES	RUSH DEFENSES	PASS DEFENSES	SCORING DEFENSES
1 Kansas	1 Washington	1 Texas	1 San Diego St	1 Akron	1 San Diego St
2 Notre Dame	2 Texas	2 Kansas	2 W Michigan	2 Louisville	2 Arkansas St
3 Air Force	3 Tulsa	3 Iowa St	3 Kent St	3 Tulane	3 Memphis
4 Michigan St	4 Stanford	4 Oklahoma	4 E Michigan	4 E Michigan	4 Tulane
5 San Diego St	5 Oklahoma	5 Kansas St	5 TCU	5 Louisiana	5 Cent Michigan
6 Ohio St	6 Oklahoma St	6 Oklahoma St	6 Memphis	6 Pittsburgh	6 Ohio
7 Texas Tech	7 UCLA	7 Washington	7 Tulane	7 ULM	7 Hawaii
8 South Carolina	8				

Welcome to this week's issue of Power Plays. The Power Plays Newsletter consists of forecasts that are made by a special Power Plays rating system. This is a system developed many years ago and we regard it very highly. In our final analysis of the plays the Power Plays forecast takes up anywhere from 25 to 30% of our total analysis. You will see in the Power Plays Newsletter in the write-ups that we agree with the majority of the Power Plays forecasts. However, there are times when we will disagree with the Power Plays forecast. We want to make it clear that this is the Power Plays Newsletter and these forecasts are based purely on the power ratings. You should never use just one method, system or angle to determine your handicapping. The times that we disagree with the Power Plays Newsletter we will clearly note it. If the Power Plays 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 Power Plays Selections.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30th

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SOUTH CAROLINA	177	219	27	1.7	-
VANDERBILT	158	190	23	2.5	✓✓✓

U had outright upsets in '07 and '08 and only lost by 4 in '09 but has dropped the L/2 by a comb 42-10 score. PP calls for a 4 pt win (line 7) and Vandy can keep it close.

2★ VANDERBILT 23 (+) SOUTH CAROLINA 27

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
UCF	261	255	41	1.5	✓✓✓✓
AKRON	68	147	12	2.6	-

Akron is just 3-6 as a HD in Infocision Stadium which appears to be right in UCF's wheelhouse here as they are projected to outgain the Zips by a 516-215 yd edge in an easy victory.

4★ UCF 41 AKRON 12

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
EASTERN MICHIGAN	217	203	29	3.8	-
BALL ST	188	254	31	2.1	✓

While BSU is 9-4 ATS vs EMU, the last 3 gms have been decided by a ttl of 7 pts. With very close marks in yardage and score in the forecast, we'll move past this meeting with a no play.

NO PLAY: BALL ST 31 EASTERN MICHIGAN 29

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TEXAS A&M	203	263	37	2.2	-
LOUISIANA TECH	62	301	22	2.4	✓

LT is the defending WAC champ and stood toe-to-toe with TCU in LY's bowl (lost by 7, +9'). While PP projects a 15 pt A&M win, we disagree and feel it could come down to the final few possessions.

NO PLAY: TEXAS A&M 37 LOUISIANA TECH 22

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MASSACHUSETTS CONNECTICUT	60	194	14	4.4	-
	178	238	30	1.3	-

This marks UMass's 1st gm at the FBS level. While the Huskies have a solid projected yardage edge (416-254), we agree with the scoring forecast and call for the Minutemen to deliver the cover (line 24').

4★ MASSACHUSETTS 14 (+) CONNECTICUT 30

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
UCLA	221	244	35	1.9	-
RICE	98	178	17	2.3	-

First gm for new UCLA HC Mora and PP appears to be solidly behind the Bruins with significant yardage (465-276) and scoring edges (18 pt win, line 15'). The Owls are just 1-7 ATS as a non-conf HD and we'll call for that trend to continue again here.

NO PLAY: UCLA 35 RICE 17

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
WASHINGTON ST	23	316	24	2.7	-
BYU	192	309	38	2.3	✓✓✓

PP calls this matchup right at the line (13') as BYU is forecasted to outgain WSU by a 501-339 margin dashing new WSU HC Leach's hopes of beginning the year with a victory.

NO PLAY: BYU 38 WASHINGTON ST 24

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MINNESOTA	162	199	33	2.0	✓
UNLV	155	155	20	2.4	-

While PP projects a 13 pt win for the Gophers, you have to take a look at what the Rebels have been able to do at home over recent yrs as they have posted a 7-3-1 ATS mark. While UM should escape with a win, we disagree with the projected score and call for this one to be tight.

NO PLAY: MINNESOTA 33 UNLV 20

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
UTSA	131	199	20	3.1	-
SOUTH ALABAMA	157	197	22	3.1	-

Battle of new FBS (IA) members here and PP calls for this matchup to be a tight one. With the line near a TD, we'll take the dog here as there is just a projected 24 yard difference.

3★ UTSA 20 (+) SOUTH ALABAMA 22

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31st

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NORTH CAROLINA ST	108	219	18	2.3	-
TENNESSEE	146	291	32	2.4	✓✓✓

While NCSt has a solid tm, UT appears to be in even better shape and PP agrees giving them solid edges in both yardage and projected score. With the line at just a FG, it is safe for us to back UT here.

4.5★ TENNESSEE 32 NORTH CAROLINA ST 18

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
BOISE ST	42	195	17	1.9	-
MICHIGAN ST	194	226	30	2.7	-

Great spot for the Spartans here as the Broncos come in with one of the least exp'd squads in all of the FBS (7 st'rs back) incl the departure of QB Moore. PP recognizes that and gives MSU the edge here with a 13 pt victory (line 7) and a solid rushing differential (194-42).

4.5★ MICHIGAN ST 30 BOISE ST 17

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SAN JOSE ST	11	193	9	2.6	-
STANFORD	251	280	43	2.0	✓

While PP projects a 34 pt win for the Cardinal, we'll have to disagree as Stanford is introducing a new QB into the starting lineup while also taking home a very misleading final against the Spartans LY (only had a 20 yd edge at HT). We'll call for this to be closer to the current 25' pt line.

NO PLAY: STANFORD 43 SAN JOSE ST 9

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NAVY	223	78	13	2.2	-
NOTRE DAME	199	317	41	1.7	✓✓✓✓

While you'd expect the option of Navy to have a rush advantage, PP calls for ND to trail by just 24 rush yards and have a 317-78 yd edge passing. This is the 5th option team the Irish has faced in the last 20 games and when you add in the ST edge PP calls for an Irish cover in Dublin.

2★ † NOTRE DAME 41 NAVY 13

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MARSHALL	133	193	22	2.4	-
WEST VIRGINIA	198	421	48	2.3	✓✓✓

While WV did cover this matchup LY (-23', 34-13) their offense struggled with only a 291-187 yd edge. Remember however that was HC Holgorsen's 1st game. The rest of the season the Mountaineers avg'd 484 ypg and in this matchup PP has WV finishing with a 619-326 yd edge.

NO PLAY: WEST VIRGINIA 48 MARSHALL 22

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
OHIO	91	209	16	2.8	✓✓
PENN ST	171	200	21	2.0	-

With the loss of more than a dozen players (trans/inj/susp) and a tumultuous offsn to boot, new PSU HC O'Brien inherits one of the most inexp'd tms in the country. PP calls for a narrow yardage edge for the Lions and a score right near the current line of 6. We'll pass here.

NO PLAY: PENN ST 21 OHIO 16

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NORTHWESTERN	118	268	26	2.3	-
SYRACUSE	133	269	28	2.7	✓

NW is a slight favorite but PP leans with Syracuse. The Orange are projected as a 2 pt winner with a slight yardage edge and slight ST edge. That's enough for a lean on Syracuse.

NO PLAY: SYRACUSE 28 NORTHWESTERN 26

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MIAMI, OH	-1	231	9	2.8	-
OHIO ST	226	243	33	2.3	✓✓✓✓✓

The biggest thing that jumps off the page is the ST edge. The Bucks are also projected with a 469-230 yd edge. New OSU HC Meyer was dominant vs non-conf foes at Florida going 20-5 ATS.

NO PLAY: OHIO ST 33 MIAMI, OH 9

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
WESTERN MICHIGAN	92	234	20	2.9	-
ILLINOIS	220	223	29	2.2	-

The final outcome for PP in this matchup has us scratching our heads a little as while the Illini are projected with a 9 pt win, they are breaking in a new HC and systems and have actually lost 3 straight ATS to the Broncos including being outright upset in '08.

NO PLAY: ILLINOIS 29 WESTERN MICHIGAN 20

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TULSA	187	224	26	2.6	-
IOWA ST	166	245	24	2.6	-

PP is calling for Tulsa to win by 2 but with TU a 1 or 1'pt fav there is no value. Talk about a close matchup! Check out the forecasted yardage - each team is projected to finish with 411 yds.

NO PLAY: TULSA 26 IOWA ST 24

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NEVADA	146	194	18	2.2	-
CALIFORNIA	224	281	36	1.4	✓

Cal is back at home after playing in SF LY and PP projects they'll send their fans home happy finishing with a 505-340 yard edge and an 18 pt win. Cal is 17-3 ATS as a HF while UN is only 8-14 ATS as an AD. With 5 straight ssn opening covers, the TO edge, ST edge and the line at 11', Cal is a best bet.

4★ CALIFORNIA 36 NEVADA 18

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SOUTHERN MISS	160	152	17	2.1	-
NEBRASKA	242	251	36	2.3	✓

Nebraska has gone 4-1 ATS in ssn openers with an avg line of -26.6 and an average win of 36.6 ppg. The Huskers are forecasted to finish with a 493-312 yd edge and a 21 pt win with the line at -17'.

NO PLAY: NEBRASKA 36 SOUTHERN MISS 17

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	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MIAMI, FL	125	191	19	3.1	✓✓
BOSTON COLLEGE	162	221	22	2.5	-

PP gives the hometown Eagles the yardage edge with a 3 pt win and we agree as Miami has struggled in road openers lately posting just a 1-6 ATS mark.

2★ BOSTON COLLEGE 22 MIAMI, FL 19

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NORTHERN ILLINOIS	148	195	21	2.3	-
IOWA	136	261	30	2.0	-

Chicago. Iowa is forecasted with solid edges in both yardage and the scoreboard and judging by their recent 4-1 ATS mark against the Huskies, PP has this projection right where it should be.

NO PLAY: † IOWA 30 NORTHERN ILLINOIS 21

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
COLORADO ST	161	184	21	2.0	-
COLORADO	171	226	29	2.1	✓

CU is now 4-0 ATS the L/4 in Denver covering by an avg of 7 ppg. PP favors the Buffs again here and we agree as CSU is forecasted to be outgained by a 397-345 clip.

NO PLAY: † COLORADO 29 COLORADO ST 21

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
BUFFALO	43	124	7	3.5	-
GEORGIA	198	339	41	1.8	-

UGA has won 29 straight HG's by 30 ppg vs non-BCS schools and PP forecasts that mark once again. With the final point difference right near the line, we'll take a pass here.

NO PLAY: GEORGIA 41 BUFFALO 7

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
BOWLING GREEN	33	152	7	3.3	-
FLORIDA	213	286	39	2.3	✓✓

While BG has pulled out some big surprises in road openers in the past, the Gators have won 22 straight Swamp openers by a 48-12 margin. We'll move past this matchup with a no play.

NO PLAY: FLORIDA 39 BOWLING GREEN 7

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
WYOMING	39	144	5	2.5	-
TEXAS	295	311	45	2.1	✓✓✓

Texas has outscored the Cowboys by a 32-7 margin in their prior 4 meetings and PP again forecasts a large victory. Despite the line being at 29, we like the Longhorns to cover easily here.

4.5★ TEXAS 45 WYOMING 5

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TEXAS ST	115	128	16	4.3	✓✓
HOUSTON	209	383	41	1.3	-

PP has Houston welcoming Texas St into FBS ball with a 25 pt win and a 592-243 edge. With the line at 37 and the Cougars breaking in a new HC, we'll side with the dog and take the points.

2★ TEXAS ST 16 (+) HOUSTON 41

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
AUBURN	156	228	31	2.8	✓
CLEMSON	158	288	36	2.1	-

Arlington. While PP forecasts CU with a 446-384 yd edge and a 5 pt victory, we disagree as CU will be without standout WR Watkins (susp) and still have the memory of giving up 70 pts in LY's bowl gm.

NO PLAY: † CLEMSON 36 AUBURN 31

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
HAWAII	30	187	10	2.8	-
USC	260	387	53	2.2	-

The Trojans enter the ssn as #1 in the nation and PP supports them here with a 43 pt projected win (line 38) and a 647-217 yd edge. The Men of Troy should pull away easily at home vs the Warriors.

NO PLAY: USC 53 HAWAII 10

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
MICHIGAN	158	187	21	3.0	-
ALABAMA	193	240	30	1.8	✓

Arlington, TX. While PP projects the Tide with just a 9 pt victory, we disagree as the defending National Champ is 13-0 SU with an avg win of 45-13 in their ssn opener the next ssn.

NO PLAY: † ALABAMA 30 MICHIGAN 21

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
RUTGERS	174	232	35	2.0	✓
TULANE	71	193	13	2.8	-

PP forecasts this matchup near the current line of 17' with the Knights projected with a 406-264 yd edge. We'll take a pass in this showdown.

NO PLAY: RUTGERS 35 TULANE 13

STREAKERS

TO FOLLOW WHO IS HOT AND WHO IS NOT

ATS WINS	ATS LOSS	OVERS	UNDERS
WKU	9 Maryland	7 Ball St	5 Illinois
La Tech	8 Cent Mich	7 Connecticut	5 Florida St
BYU	7 Middle Tenn	6 Temple	5 Northwestern
	Arizona St	5 Boston Coll	5
	Mississippi	5 Pittsburgh	5
	Syracuse	5 Wake Forest	5
	UTEP	5	

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	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
OKLAHOMA	243	348	47	1.6	-
UTEP	71	227	15	3.2	-

The Sooners are just the 5th BCS tm in the regular ssn to visit El Paso but PP still projects an easy 32 pt win (line 30') and we fully agree (OU 591-298 yd edge).

NO PLAY: OKLAHOMA 47 UTEP 15

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TOLEDO	105	250	26	2.1	-
ARIZONA	236	276	40	2.3	✓

This matchup features a pair of HC's making their debut and PP sides with the home squad here as the Wildcats are projected with a 14 pt win (line 10') and a 512-355 yardage edge.

4★ ARIZONA 40 TOLEDO 26

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SAN DIEGO ST	99	220	20	2.3	✓✓
WASHINGTON	175	308	37	1.6	✓✓

While PP projects the Huskies to pull out a 17 pt win, you would almost have to think that they could be looking ahead to next wk's meeting against LSU slowing down some of their momentum here and giving the Aztecs a chance to stay within the 14 pt line.

NO PLAY: WASHINGTON 37 SAN DIEGO ST 20

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
TROY	149	328	33	2.7	-
UAB	175	243	28	2.5	✓✓

The last 2 meetings between these 2 have gone down to the wire (UAB GW Hail Mary last time) and PP projects another tight finish. We'll pass on this one and keep our eyes open during the 4Q for yet another close matchup.

NO PLAY: TROY 33 UAB 28

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
FLORIDA INT	157	173	21	1.8	-
DUKE	124	276	29	2.3	✓✓

We have to agree with PP here as the Blue Devils need to get out to a winning start with a meeting vs Stanford on deck. Duke is forecasted with a 400-330 yd edge and an 8 pt win (line 4).

3★ DUKE 29 FIU 21

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
NORTH TEXAS	-7	182	6	2.7	-
LSU	263	315	50	1.4	✓✓

The Tigers def should get off to a nice start here as PP projects NT to finish with negative rush yds in a 44 pt loss. We'll back LSU here as they'll put the throttle down to get some early style pts.

NO PLAY: LSU 50 NORTH TEXAS 6

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
ARKANSAS ST	56	213	13	3.1	-
OREGON	354	260	49	2.1	✓✓✓

Despite having to break in a new QB, PP doesn't see the Ducks having too much of an issue here as they are projected to post 600+ yds and an easy win against ASU.

NO PLAY: OREGON 49 ARKANSAS ST 13

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2nd

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
KENTUCKY	113	164	16	2.1	-
LOUISVILLE	178	275	31	2.0	✓

While PP forecasts a relatively easy win for the Cardinals over UK, we have to disagree as 5 of the L/7 meetings have been decided by 7 pts or less (line 14) with 5 outright upsets in the past 10 yrs.

NO PLAY: LOUISVILLE 31 KENTUCKY 16

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
SMU	92	287	28	1.9	-
BAYLOR	179	330	35	1.7	✓

Baylor is projected with a 509-379 yd edge against their rival covering each of their L/8 gms vs the Mustangs. The Bears are missing a few offensive weapons however incl RG3 so a tighter than expected outcome may be in the offing.

NO PLAY: BAYLOR 35 SMU 28

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 3rd

	Yards Rushing	Yards Passing	Points	Turn Overs	Special Teams
GEORGIA TECH	238	50	17	2.9	-
VIRGINIA TECH	205	237	29	1.7	✓✓✓✓

While PP gives the Hokies a 442-288 yd edge and an 12 pt win, this doesn't even take into account the fact that VT has had all of August to prepare for the option making them even more dangerous here.

NO PLAY: VIRGINIA TECH 29 GEORGIA TECH 17

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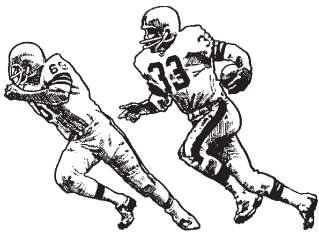
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TEAM	YDS	ATT	COM	%	TD	INT	GRADE	OPP
1 LSU	171.4	437	229	52.4	7	18	17.0	12.30
2 Alabama	111.5	334	164	49.1	6	13	16.7	11.05
3 South Carolina	131.7	346	174	50.3	14	19	16.3	11.61
4 Texas	209.8	456	258	56.6	13	12	14.8	13.44
5 Georgia	176.0	430	218	50.7	12	20	14.6	10.77
6 Oklahoma St	271.8	541	322	59.5	15	24	14.4	13.16
7 Oklahoma	201.6	474	257	54.2	16	15	14.2	13.31
8 Virginia Tech	245.5	413	206	49.9	16	16	14.0	11.83
9 Rutgers	172.3	355	184	51.8	8	19	13.6	10.32
10 Southern Miss	224.4	535	308	57.6	14	19	13.5	11.64
11 Vanderbilt	192.2	398	216	54.3	16	19	13.3	11.37
12 Utah	237.4	464	260	56.0	18	19	13.2	12.36
13 Kentucky	193.8	342	175	51.2	19	15	12.8	11.58
14 Penn St	190.6	427	238	55.7	12	14	12.8	10.95
15 Nevada	221.8	441	213	48.3	25	15	12.8	11.36
16 Michigan St	176.9	401	216	53.9	20	18	12.7	11.28
17 Houston	208.7	469	258	55.0	19	21	12.6	11.04
18 UCF	194.5	385	208	54.0	12	9	12.6	11.22
19 Florida St	192.3	401	237	59.1	16	16	12.5	12.18
20 Arkansas	192.5	407	232	57.0	12	12	12.5	11.58
21 BYU	200.9	432	250	57.9	13	13	12.4	11.54
22 FIU	226.6	466	266	57.1	11	14	12.4	11.21
23 NC State	223.7	407	234	57.5	17	27	12.2	11.11
24 West Virginia	203.5	448	255	56.9	15	14	12.2	11.11
25 Illinois	162.3	328	180	54.9	15	10	12.2	11.62
26 California	202.4	398	224	56.3	19	12	12.1	12.50
27 Louisiana Tech	249.1	509	298	58.5	21	21	12.0	11.70
28 Florida	166.8	341	186	54.5	15	8	12.0	11.57
29 Iowa St	234.0	425	241	56.7	17	11	11.9	12.91
30 Kent St	196.3	361	201	55.7	11	14	11.7	10.46
31 Arkansas St	227.9	475	269	56.6	20	19	11.4	10.60
32 Boston College	243.3	420	265	63.1	8	13	11.3	12.19
33 Georgia Tech	197.8	386	211	54.6	23	14	11.2	11.78
34 Oregon	247.3	529	313	59.2	25	17	11.2	12.40
35 Virginia	212.2	408	219	53.7	19	12	11.1	10.85
36 Nebraska	192.2	361	192	53.2	16	10	11.0	10.69
37 Michigan	190.5	374	221	59.1	12	9	11.0	11.45
38 Tulsa	286.3	516	307	59.5	25	18	11.0	12.95
39 Wake Forest	227.9	444	254	57.2	22	13	10.9	11.83
40 Mississippi St	197.2	434	280	64.5	12	12	10.9	11.65
41 Missouri	252.6	487	306	62.8	20	13	10.8	13.20
42 Cincinnati	261.1	483	291	60.2	17	16	10.6	11.80
43 Boise St	210.8	401	228	56.9	21	15	10.6	11.11
44 Tennessee	177.8	307	178	58.0	14	9	10.6	11.38
45 USF	244.0	441	270	61.2	16	12	10.5	11.69
46 Bowling Green	202.6	366	207	56.6	14	6	10.4	10.90
47 Temple	187.8	387	222	57.4	13	15	10.3	9.49
48 Texas A&M	276.3	511	319	62.4	19	7	10.1	13.74
49 Connecticut	281.0	429	248	57.8	22	18	10.1	11.80
50 Pittsburgh	233.7	448	273	60.9	16	8	10.1	11.94
51 ULM	226.2	418	244	58.4	23	13	10.0	11.02
52 Stanford	253.2	452	279	61.7	18	7	10.0	13.41
53 Ohio	191.4	469	256	54.6	24	15	9.9	9.93
54 Kansas St	263.4	478	301	63.0	26	18	9.9	12.96
55 UTEP	251.7	404	242	59.9	16	12	9.7	11.48
56 Wisconsin	163.6	352	214	60.8	15	16	9.7	9.92
57 Ohio St	182.0	352	214	60.8	18	13	9.6	10.86
58 Louisville	227.4	422	253	60.0	20	10	9.6	11.68
59 Purdue	221.0	401	232	57.9	17	12	9.5	10.44
60 Mississippi	194.4	306	187	61.1	17	10	9.4	12.26
61 TCU	223.6	409	234	57.2	23	10	9.4	11.20
62 WKU	238.9	392	218	55.6	20	13	9.3	10.10
63 UCLA	226.6	471	298	63.3	28	14	9.3	12.89
64 Utah St	238.5	474	287	60.5	17	4	9.3	11.42
65 Miami, Oh	195.2	344	200	58.1	17	10	9.2	10.07
66 Clemson	217.5	417	243	58.3	26	14	9.2	11.40
67 North Carolina	241.3	455	277	60.9	24	14	9.1	11.29
68 East Carolina	202.2	354	214	60.5	17	7	9.1	11.04
69 San Diego St	221.7	364	204	56.0	18	15	9.0	9.90
70 Washington	284.6	486	305	62.8	22	10	8.9	13.24
71 Marshall	255.2	460	288	62.6	24	14	8.9	12.08
72 USC	263.3	457	292	63.9	17	9	8.8	11.58
73 Tulane	245.4	422	260	61.9	20	12	8.7	11.55
74 Notre Dame	205.8	409	244	59.7	23	8	8.7	10.71
75 New Mexico St	243.4	436	260	59.6	26	10	8.6	11.77
76 Iowa	222.9	413	256	62.0	21	10	8.6	11.29
77 W Michigan	215.0	397	246	62.0	18	12	8.6	10.47
78 SMU	221.7	443	284	64.1	15	6	8.6	10.90
79 Auburn	218.8	395	250	63.3	23	11	8.4	11.99
80 Fresno St	269.2	438	243	55.5	21	5	8.4	11.09
81 Syracuse	258.3	415	259	62.4	21	10	8.4	11.80
82 Hawaii	244.9	424	247	58.3	28	14	8.4	10.95
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85 N Illinois	247.9	478	271	56.7	29	13	8.1	10.09
86 Arizona St	273.0	450	296	65.8	21	15	8.0	12.31
87 North Texas	265.8	429	257	59.9	27	9	8.0	11.68
88 Colorado St	179.6	293	181	61.8	19	8	7.7	10.50
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96 Northwestern	230.4	356	216	60.7	16	12	7.4	9.92
97 Oregon St	214.4	348	223	64.1	28	11	7.2	11.84
98 Middle Tenn	211.6	329	208	63.2	18	4	7.0	11.07
99 Texas Tech	226.8	314	190	60.5	24	5	7.0	12.74
100 Buffalo	203.7	320	189	59.1	25	6	6.9	10.27
101 Arizona	298.9	428	282	65.9	22	11	6.9	12.61
102 Rice	278.7	399	246	61.7	32	13	6.9	12.56
103 Duke	244.8	338	194	57.4	23	6	6.8	10.68
104 Miami, Fl	198.0	315	209	66.3	16	6	6.8	10.58
105 Troy	261.4	390	244	62.6	23	8	6.5	10.80
106 Idaho	278.3	440	283	64.3	28	9	6.5	11.63
107 Cent Michigan	241.8	374	229	61.2	24	8	6.4	9.88
108 Toledo	268.8	457	286	62.6	34	14	6.2	10.64
109 UNLV	249.0	345	210	60.9	27	7	6.0	11.43
110 Washington St	252.4	358	230	64.2	24	8	6.0	11.55
111 Memphis	299.4	432	279	64.6	27	12	5.9	11.06
112 Minnesota	216.7	353	239	67.7	23	4	5.8	11.45
113 Indiana	215.0	302	181	59.9	26	5	5.7	10.41
114 Akron	207.6	306	193	63.1	23	2	5.2	10.20
115 Navy	226.9	346	257	74.3	14	10	5.0	10.37
116 Colorado	255.4	414	271	65.5	34	7	4.9	12.26
117 UAB	282.3	403	286	71.0	26	9	4.3	12.00
118 Kansas	277.3	374	260	69.5	28	8	3.8	12.43
119 Ball St	284.3	369	246	66.7	29	10	3.8	10.79
120 New Mexico	245.2	336	244	72.6	21	3	3.0	10.88

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	PTS	FD	ATT	YDS	AVG	FUM	COM	ATT	POC	YDS	INT	TD	PTS	FD	ATT	YDS	AVG	FUM	VS	BY
Air Force	34.9	23.2	55.6	314.8	5.7	1.4	9.5	15.7	60.3	140.1	8	16	28.4	21.0	44.3	219.7	5.0	1.1	10	18
Akron	14.2	15.8	34.4	114.4	3.3	1.1	14.3	31.3	45.5	163.3	11	12	28.5	22.0	44.6	219.6	4.9	0.1	38	11
Alabama	34.8	21.5	39.1	214.5	5.5	0.3	18.2	27.5	66.4	215.2	8	16	8.2	10.1	29.7	72.2	2.4	0.5	17	30
Arizona	30.8	25.8	27.6	94.5	3.4	0.5	33.2	48.1	69.0	370.8	15	29	35.4	23.0	34.3	161.6	4.7	0.4	23	10
Arizona St	33.2	23.8	32.5	129.1	4.0	0.8	25.6	40.5	63.2	316.7	13	27	28.6	21.5	35.0	149.1	4.3	1.3	28	29
Arkansas	36.8	21.5	31.7	137.4	4.3	1.0	23.0	36.2	63.5	300.7	7	26	22.2	18.8	38.8	167.6	4.3	0.7	28	29
Arkansas St	32.5	23.4	39.7	154.2	3.9	0.8	25.1	38.5	65.2	293.6	16	21	20.8	18.1	34.5	103.5	3.0	0.8	27	35
Army	24.8	21.2	61.7	346.5	5.6	1.8	3.1	8.1	38.1	50.4	4	5	28.3	18.8	40.1	194.9	4.9	0.8	11	18
Auburn	25.7	17.5	41.2	182.3	4.4	0.6	12.6	22.5	56.2	155.5	13	17	28.9	22.4	40.8	189.2	4.6	0.9	32	22
Ball St	25.3	21.0	33.3	138.4	4.2	0.6	24.4	38.3	63.7	241.0	11	19	34.7	25.9	44.6	226.0	5.1	0.6	11	16
Baylor	45.3	29.0	44.3	235.6	5.3	1.4	23.6	32.6	72.4	351.5	6	40	37.2	24.5	38.2	197.4	5.2	1.0	29	19
Boise St	44.2	25.7	37.8	171.9	4.5	0.6	27.1	36.7	73.8	309.4	10	45	18.7	15.9						



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