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40 BOWLS THIS ISSUE

Thank you for purchasing our
2016 Double Bowl issue.

Please remember that this issue was mailed out December 12, 2016 and while many things can and will change we don't adjust our ratings. If you're interested in our Late Phones (released day of the games) there are specials inside.

Who played the toughest schedule?

Once the schedules are finalized in spring we like knowing "how tough" our favorite teams schedule is. Most fans and media outlets use the records of their opponents previous years to rank them, but we like to use our power ratings on each team to get a better gauge.

As you can see USC, Mississippi, California, Colorado and Stanford played OUR 5 toughest schedules!

If you base it on the win % of a teams opponents the 5 teams that played the toughest schedule were: Mississippi, Arizona, LSU, Tennessee and Florida St.

The LARGEST difference between our Strength of Schedule compared to the opponent win % is Kent St. The Golden Flashes faced the #17 toughest schedule ranked by opp win % while facing only the #86 schedule in our rankings.

Let's look below at Kent St's Schedule this year:

On the right are tougher opponents with the same record

Penn St	11-2	A legitimate Tough Opp
NC A&T	9-3	Louisville - also 9-3
Monmouth	4-7	Oregon - also had 4 wins
Alabama	13-0	A legitimate Tough Opp
Akron	5-7	Miss St - also 5-7
Buffalo	2-10	Virginia - also 2-10
Miami, OH	6-6	Baylor - also 6-6
Ohio	8-5	Florida - also had 8 wins
Central Mich	6-6	TCU - also 6-6
Western Mich	13-0	Alabama was 13-0
Bowling Green	4-8	Notre Dame - also 4-8
Northern Illinois	5-7	Mississippi - also 5-7

You can see just how deceiving a teams strength of schedule can be when using an opponents win %

The 5 teams that played a much TOUGHER schedule per our rankings are: Stanford, Texas, USC, West Virginia & Colorado.

Finally, the four teams along with Kent St to play an EASIER schedule are: Utah St, Georgia St, Northern Illinois and Colorado St.

Happy Holidays
From the staff
at
Northcoast Sports!

NORTHCOST RANK	TEAM	DIFF OUR SOS VS '16 WIN %	RANK & % ON 2016 RECORDS		RANK & % ON 2015 RECORDS		DIFF '15 TO '16	NORTHCOST RANK	TEAM	DIFF OUR SOS VS '16 WIN %	RANK & % ON 2016 RECORDS		RANK & % ON 2015 RECORDS		DIFF '15 TO '16
			RANK	%	RANK	%					RANK	%	RANK	%	
1	USC	57	58	54.4%	5	63.5%	-53	65	Baylor	49	114	46.9%	94	48.3%	-20
2	Mississippi	-1	1	64.1%	3	66.2%	2	66	Utah St	-61	5	61.0%	41	55.5%	36
3	California	24	27	57.1%	31	57.3%	-4	67	BYU	47	114	46.9%	7	63.0%	-107
4	Colorado	49	53	54.5%	28	58.1%	-25	68	Minnesota	22	90	50.3%	89	48.7%	-34
5	Stanford	78	83	50.7%	60	53.5%	-23	69	East Carolina	-15	54	54.5%	88	48.7%	34
6	Syracuse	2	8	60.4%	19	59.2%	11	70	Navy	-39	31	56.8%	62	52.9%	31
7	LSU	-4	3	62.7%	1	69.6%	-2	71	UCF	-11	60	53.5%	47	54.6%	-13
8	Alabama	-1	9	59.9%	8	62.6%	-1	72	Connecticut	9	81	50.7%	99	47.3%	18
9	Rutgers	-2	7	60.7%	32	57.1%	-25	73	Cincinnati	-41	32	56.6%	72	51.3%	40
10	Pittsburgh	5	15	58.8%	17	59.7%	2	74	Wyoming	-49	25	57.3%	91	48.4%	66
11	Oregon	10	21	57.9%	77	50.6%	56	75	Memphis	-1	74	51.4%	50	54.5%	-24
12	Florida	21	33	56.3%	86	49.3%	53	76	Tulsa	5	81	50.7%	56	53.6%	-25
13	Kansas	30	43	55.6%	22	58.6%	-21	77	Tulane	-44	33	56.3%	92	48.3%	59
14	Iowa St	38	52	54.5%	11	60.9%	-41	78	USF	26	104	48.6%	67	52.0%	-37
15	UCLA	23	38	55.9%	43	55.1%	5	79	Bowling Green	-41	38	55.9%	54	54.0%	16
16	Duke	4	20	58.0%	52	54.3%	32	80	San Jose St	-13	67	52.4%	73	51.3%	6
17	West Virginia	50	67	52.4%	45	54.7%	-22	81	Hawaii	15	96	49.7%	58	53.6%	-38
18	North Carolina	-2	16	58.6%	29	57.9%	13	82	New Mexico St	-33	49	54.9%	83	49.7%	34
19	Florida St	-14	5	61.0%	10	61.1%	5	83	Colorado St	-54	29	56.8%	110	44.7%	81
20	Wisconsin	21	41	55.8%	6	63.2%	-35	84	ULM	-47	37	55.9%	45	54.7%	8
21	Arizona St	33	54	54.5%	35	56.5%	-19	85	Boise St	-7	78	51.4%	117	43.1%	39
22	Washington St	-3	19	58.2%	59	53.6%	-40	86	Kent St	-69	17	58.5%	16	60.0%	-1
23	Arizona	-21	2	63.7%	39	55.8%	37	87	Houston	0	87	50.3%	99	47.3%	12
24	Oregon St	2	26	57.2%	21	58.7%	-5	88	Massachusetts	-34	54	54.5%	119	43.0%	65
25	Texas	67	92	50.0%	26	58.2%	-66	89	Central Michigan	8	97	49.7%	121	42.6%	24
26	Northwestern	-2	24	57.5%	9	62.2%	-15	90	Fresno St	-25	65	53.1%	87	48.7%	22
27	Virginia	2	29	56.8%	37	56.4%	8	91	Temple	0	91	50.3%	127	38.1%	36
28	Ohio St	-14	14	58.9%	11	60.9%	-3	92	Akron	-9	83	50.7%	42	55.3%	-41
29	Mississippi St	-11	18	58.3%	30	57.6%	12	93	Florida Atlantic	15	108	47.9%	98	47.7%	-10
30	Oklahoma	29	59	54.2%	35	56.5%	-24	94	Northern Illinois	-59	35	56.2%	84	49.3%	49
31	Notre Dame	29	60	53.5%	25	58.3%	-35	95	Eastern Michigan	6	101	49.3%	111	44.7%	10
32	NC State	-9	23	57.6%	24	58.4%	1	96	Louisiana Tech	14	110	47.8%	95	48.0%	-15
33	Arkansas	16	49	54.9%	2	66.7%	-47	97	Georgia Southern	-34	63	53.1%	112	44.6%	49
34	TCU	15	49	54.9%	69	51.7%	-20	98	UNLV	3	101	49.3%	106	46.1%	5
35	Penn St	7	42	55.7%	34	56.8%	-8	99	Rice	-25	74	51.4%	75	50.7%	1
36	Utah	43	79	51.0%	63	52.9%	-16	100	North Texas	-1	99	49.7%	47	54.6%	-52
37	Auburn	-25	12	59.0%	4	64.1%	-8	101	Miami, Oh	17	118	46.2%	55	53.9%	-63
38	Tennessee	-34	4	61.6%	26	58.2%	-22	102	Toledo	-23	79	51.0%	79	50.3%	0
39	Vanderbilt	-29	10	59.7%	38	56.3%	28	103	Buffalo	-11	92	50.0%	114	43.7%	22
40	Texas Tech	20	60	53.5%	44	55.0%	-16	104	Texas St	-38	66	52.8%	69	51.7%	3
41	Illinois	-20	21	57.9%	14	60.6%	-7	105	WKU	-19	86	50.6%	107	45.6%	21
42	Miami, FL	32	74	51.4%	47	54.6%	-27	106	FIU	5	111	47.3%	115	43.3%	4
43	Georgia Tech	-5	38	55.9%	20	59.1%	-18	107	Idaho	-3	104	48.6%	123	41.9%	19
44	Michigan St	3	47	55.2%	18	59.6%	-29	108	Georgia St	-61	47	55.2%	80	50.0%	33
45	Virginia Tech	27	72	51.9%	64	52.7%	-8	109	Charlotte	-5	104	48.6%	104	46.7%	0
46	Oklahoma St	17	63	53.1%	61	53.0%	-2	110	Ball St	2	112	47.2%	99	47.3%	-13
47	Iowa	-12	35	56.2%	71	51.6%	36	111	Southern Miss	-2	109	47.9%	125	41.0%	16
48	Clemson	-37	11	59.6%	108	45.3%	97	112	UTSA	-9	103	49.3%	104	46.7%	1
49	Kansas St	38	87	50.3%	56	53.6%	-31	113	Appalachian St	-9	104	48.6%	115	43.3%	11
50	Wake Forest	37	87	50.3%	92	48.3%	5	114	Nevada	14	128	40.8%	124	41.3%	-4
51	Indiana	-22	73	51.7%	74	51.0%	1	115	Army	11	126	42.7%	97	48.0%	-29
52	Texas A&M	7	45	55.2%	15	60.3%	-30	116	Western Michigan	3	119	46.2%	68	51.7%	-51
53	Louisville	44	97	49.7%	53	54.2%	-44	117	Marshall	-43	74	51.4%	95	48.0%	21
54	Kentucky	16	70	52.1%	50	54.5%	-20	118	Middle Tennessee	9	127	42.1%	109	45.0%	-18
55	Maryland	15	70	52.1%	102	47.0%	32	119	Air Force	-2	117	46.5%	118	43.0%	1
56	Michigan	-12	44	55.4%	77	50.6%	33	120	San Diego St	2	122	43.8%	120	42.8%	-2
57	Missouri	-29	28	57.0%	80	50.0%	52	121	Ohio	-2	119	46.2%	121	42.6%	2
58	Nebraska	25	83	50.7%	65	52.6%	-18	122	Old Dominion	3	125	43.1%	75	50.7%	-50
59	SMU	-47	12	59.0%	13	60.8%	1	123	Troy	-1	122	43.8%	80	50.0%	-42
60	Georgia	-15	45	55.2%	85	49.3%	40	124	New Mexico	-3	121	44.8%	126	40.8%	5
61	Washington	31	92	50.0%	32	57.1%	-60	125	Louisiana	-26	99	49.7%	66	52.3%	-33
62	Purdue	-8	54	54.5%	40	55.6%	-14	126	Arkansas St	-13	113	46.9%	112	44.6%	-1
63	Boston College	4	67	52.4%	102	47.0%	35	127	South Alabama	-13	114	46.9%	89	48.7%	-25
64	South Carolina	28	92	50.0%	22	58.6%	-70	128	UTEP	-4	124	43.4%	128	35.6%	4

STRENGTH OF SCHEDULE COMPARISON

BOWL ATS AND O/U NUMBERS THE LAY

FAVORITES OF	0-2.5	3-6.5	7-9.5	10-14.5	15+	OVERALL
2012	1-4	5-6-2	6-3	4-3	1-0	17-16-2
2013	4-5	6-7	2-4	2-4	0-2	14-22
2014	4-7	5-12	5-4	2-0	n/a	16-23
2015	5-3	10-7	4-7	3-1	n/a	22-18
TOTAL	14-19	26-32-2	17-18	11-8	1-2	69-79-2
OVER/UNDERS	0-2.5	3-6.5	7-9.5	10-14.5	15+	OVERALL
2012	1-4	5-8	5-3-1	4-3	1-0	16-18-1
2013	5-4	5-8	2-3-1	1-5-1	2-0	15-20-2
2014	7-4	7-9-1	5-4	1-1	n/a	20-18-1
2015	6-2	8-9	9-2	3-1	n/a	26-14
TOTAL	19-14	25-34-1	21-12-2	9-10-1	3-0	77-70-4

LARGEST LINES L4Y

2012	Okl St-Heart of Dallas (Ticket City)	WIN	-17.0
2010	Boise St-Las Vegas	WIN	-16.5
2013	Baylor- Fiesta	Loss	-16.5
2013	Alabama- Sugar	Loss	-15.0
2010	Oklahoma-Fiesta	WIN	-14.5
2011	Boise St-Las Vegas	WIN	-14.5
2013	Oregon-Alamo	WIN	-14.5
2013	Notre Dame-Pinstripe	Loss	-14.5
2014	Stanford-Foster Farms	WIN	-14.0
2015	Virginia Tech - Independence	loss	-14.0

LARGEST COVERS L4Y

LINE	COVERS		
2015	Boise St-Poinsettia	40.5	-7
2012	SMU-Hawaii	46	+13
2011	West Virginia-Orange	40	+3
2012	Ohio-Independence	38	+7
2010	Tulsa-Hawaii	37	+10
2010	Mississippi St-Gator	34.5	-3.5
2010	Alabama-Capitol One	34	-8
2013	Miami, FL-Russell Athletic (Champs Sports)	32	+5
2013	Mississippi St-Auto Zone Liberty	30	-7
2013	Boston College-Advocate	30	+7
2013	Oklahoma- Sugar	29	+15
2014	Clemson-Russell Athletic	39	+5

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SEC	BIG TEN	BIG 12	PAC-12	AAC	ACC
Alabama 133 141	Ohio St 126 133	Oklahoma 131 135	Washington 127 138	Temple 108 124	Clemson 127 132
LSU 125 127	Penn St 112 130	Kansas St 118 125	USC 118 133	USF 119 118	Florida St 125 129
Auburn 118 122	Michigan 124 129	Oklahoma St 117 125	Colorado 115 122	Navy 108 118	Virginia Tech 118 125
Florida 108 116	Wisconsin 117 129	W Virginia 116 120	Stanford 131 121	Houston 122 117	Miami, FL 123 124
Tennessee 128 116	Iowa 117 123	TCU 126 113	Wash St 119 120	Memphis 113 116	Louisville 119 123
Texas A&M 110 116	Minnesota 116 117	Texas Tech 108 113	Utah 114 118	Tulsa 105 113	Pittsburgh 115 122
Vanderbilt 107 116	Northwestern 113 114	Baylor 127 111	Oregon St 100 112	UCF 89 107	N Carolina 119 119
Arkansas 124 115	Nebraska 120 111	Iowa St 111 110	Oregon 119 110	SMU 97 101	Georgia Tech 113 117
Georgia 118 114	Michigan St 120 110	Texas 121 107	California 113 109	Cincinnati 109 101	NC State 111 116
Miss St 121 114	Indiana 108 108	Kansas 94 99	UCLA 113 109	Tulane 90 98	Duke 107 110
Kentucky 106 113	Purdue 103 99		Arizona 114 102	E Carolina 104 95	Boston College 111 106
Mississippi 126 110	Illinois 107 97		Arizona St 116 101	Wake Forest 107 105	Syracuse 106 102
Missouri 110 108	Maryland 102 97			Virginia 111 102	
S Carolina 109 99	Rutgers 97 89				

MOUNTAIN WEST	CUSA	MAC	SUN BELT	INDEPENDENT
Colorado St 96 114	WKU 114 125	W Michigan 113 120	Appalachian St 103 108	Notre Dame 135 139
San Diego St 118 114	La Tech 104 111	Toledo 114 110	Arkansas St 104 102	BYU 127 132
Boise St 116 110	Old Dominion 94 101	N Illinois 105 105	Louisiana 87 100	Army 107 103
Air Force 110 107	UTSA 87 100	Ohio 103 105	Idaho 86 100	UMass 89 86
New Mexico 100 107	Middle Tenn 106 99	Miami, OH 96 103	Troy 96 99	
Wyoming 96 104	S Miss 105 98	C Michigan 108 100	GA Southern 111 94	
Nevada 102 98	FIU 90 93	E Michigan 91 100	S Alabama 88 90	
Utah St 102 97	Rice 92 90	Bowling Green 108 97	Georgia St 95 88	
San Jose St 103 95	UTEP 95 88	Ball St 91 95	N Mexico St 89 88	
UNLV 96 92	North Texas 87 88	Kent St 99 95	ULM 82 83	
Hawaii 85 91	Charlotte 82 87	Akron 102 91	Buffalo 93 88	
Fresno St 93 86	Marshall 105 85			
	FAU 98 85			

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WEEKLY MATCHUP STAT COMPARISON

	PPG	Off Rush	Off Pass	Off Comp	PPG	Def Rush	Def Pass	Def Comp		
	Avg	YPC	YPC	%	Avg	YPC	YPC	%		
A UTSA	22.8	117.3	2.8	191.2	56.4	30.0	174.2	4.8	225.3	57.3
H New Mexico	44.5	445.5	8.0	106.5	57.1	31.5	133.5	3.9	252.3	61.0
A Houston	39.5	139.3	3.4	342.3	66.2	29.0	127.2	3.6	237.0	61.5
H San Diego St	38.3	255.3	5.7	180.3	63.9	18.8	112.0	3.5	187.7	51.2
A Arkansas St	25.8	123.8	3.2	251.8	57.4	23.7	162.7	4.0	197.7	52.7
H UCF	28.0	144.7	3.4	211.3	55.4	16.7	210.5	4.4	143.0	42.8
A Toledo	38.8	207.2	4.9	328.3	72.3	30.2	183.5	5.0	233.0	58.6
H Appalachian St	28.7	242.2	5.4	172.2	63.0	16.8	118.5	3.8	220.0	57.1
A Southern Miss	29.7	190.7	4.1	230.8	55.4	37.0	174.0	6.1	218.7	59.5
H Louisiana	17.5	141.8	3.7	190.5	62.1	26.0	131.2	3.5	296.0	64.6
A Central Michigan	25.7	107.8	3.6	294.8	61.0	33.0	152.2	4.6	285.2	65.2
H Tulsa	46.8	288.8	5.2	271.2	59.6	26.5	143.2	3.9	268.0	52.5
A Memphis	33.0	142.4	3.8	279.4	67.2	23.6	215.8	4.7	188.4	57.9
H WKU	48.1	210.6	6.0	362.6	66.4	20.6	84.1	2.7	242.1	57.0
A Wyoming	37.0	203.7	4.9	219.8	53.8	42.5	264.8	6.0	294.0	58.6
H BYU	35.5	193.0	4.5	232.3	59.7	19.5	93.0	2.9	167.7	62.6
A Colorado St	34.2	201.7	4.8	215.0	60.4	34.3	263.8	5.5	281.8	60.2
H Idaho	32.6	161.6	4.2	229.0	61.1	23.4	114.6	3.6	305.2	61.4
A Eastern Michigan	32.0	134.8	3.7	328.0	62.2	35.2	161.5	4.4	334.7	60.8
H Old Dominion	42.3	244.5	5.6	211.0	58.2	22.2	129.2	3.4	194.8	51.4
A Louisiana Tech	39.0	129.8	4.4	348.5	63.8	36.4	137.3	3.7	323.3	68.5
H Navy	36.7	328.8	5.7	110.5	68.2	30.3	145.2	4.2	304.3	65.0
A Ohio	23.0	174.4	4.4	177.9	48.6	21.1	96.7	2.8	244.4	62.7
H Troy	37.2	193.0	5.1	260.0	60.5	22.3	107.2	3.0	275.0	54.0
A Middle Tenn	34.7	166.4	5.7	294.0	59.4	33.4	209.9	4.6	231.1	55.5
H Hawaii	33.3	212.5	5.9	208.5	59.6	35.7	210.7	5.0	244.8	63.6
A Miami, Oh	26.2	163.0	4.2	193.7	58.8	28.7	133.2	3.9	258.7	58.8
H Mississippi St	32.3	242.3	5.8	246.3	61.0	33.3	164.8	4.4	289.2	61.9
A Maryland	21.8	168.8	4.1	199.7	58.2	34.2	272.8	5.5	237.5	60.9
H Boston College	24.0	171.8	3.6	156.8	54.8	24.8	100.5	3.7	207.8	60.2
A Vanderbilt	16.8	112.8	3.2	198.7	58.5	25.5	214.2	5.2	219.5	58.9
H NC State	26.7	155.6	3.9	252.4	62.3	18.1	95.3	3.0	211.6	55.0
A Army	24.0	299.6	4.9	68.4	47.3	19.6	128.4	4.0	154.3	55.6
H North Texas	27.7	143.7	4.0	235.8	59.2	28.8	174.7	4.7	227.0	49.5
A Wake Forest	18.2	125.8	3.1	186.0	54.4	27.2	164.2	4.7	323.8	61.0
H Temple	37.3	223.4	5.2	182.7	52.8	17.3	139.9	3.8	140.7	50.0
A Washington St	33.2	72.6	3.1	395.0	70.5	29.6	144.8	4.2	274.6	60.1
H Minnesota	33.3	199.4	4.6	193.6	57.0	23.4	110.1	3.0	245.3	58.2
A Baylor	32.8	304.7	5.7	276.5	53.2	35.0	223.2	4.6	263.3	58.0
H Boise St	32.5	199.8	4.8	252.8	62.3	24.0	139.3	4.3	255.7	61.8
A Northwestern	33.8	174.2	4.3	266.2	62.3	28.2	119.8	3.4	262.4	62.1
H Pittsburgh	45.4	241.6	5.9	214.9	62.5	31.6	125.0	3.6	272.9	62.5
A West Virginia	35.3	231.8	5.3	285.0	61.7	23.3	131.8	3.7	326.8	62.2
H Miami, Fl	38.5	200.5	5.9	255.2	60.1	17.0	101.2	2.7	247.3	60.3
A Indiana	21.6	128.0	3.2	270.0	59.1	24.4	158.8	4.0	192.6	50.6
H Utah	27.2	189.0	4.4	234.2	55.9	21.7	175.3	5.0	223.0	59.1
A Kansas St	27.1	207.6	4.5	203.8	50.5	24.4	140.5	3.9	285.8	61.3
H Texas A&M	40.7	223.7	5.7	271.4	54.5	23.6	158.0	3.8	275.9	55.8
A USF	40.8	264.8	6.3	217.6	61.9	31.0	216.0	4.8	315.2	62.0
H South Carolina	25.7	179.4	4.4	212.6	67.2	24.0	191.1	4.9	210.9	55.4
A Arkansas	30.0	167.4	4.2	287.2	62.7	41.8	288.0	7.5	257.4	62.3
H Virginia Tech	41.3	209.5	4.6	279.7	63.4	14.3	112.3	3.1	168.0	42.7
A Colorado	28.4	165.9	3.9	230.9	59.5	25.9	194.3	4.5	198.0	53.8
H Oklahoma St	43.1	122.9	3.6	356.0	65.1	28.7	183.1	4.2	260.1	60.4
A TCU	32.0	237.8	6.0	242.2	59.1	18.2	135.6	3.1	264.6	56.2
H Georgia	24.7	176.0	4.3	218.5	60.5	21.8	157.2	4.1	140.0	51.2
A North Carolina	31.8	155.8	4.8	288.7	72.8	24.3	195.0	4.5	215.2	55.6
H Stanford	23.5	216.5	5.5	149.2	62.6	17.8	138.3	4.2	205.3	50.9
A South Alabama	23.4	119.0	3.5	275.2	60.7	29.0	211.2	5.2	200.4	62.9
H Air Force	36.0	371.0	5.1	106.5	40.7	24.8	85.7	3.0	279.7	51.4
A Nebraska	16.2	156.4	4.1	172.0	40.4	32.0	190.0	5.0	221.2	59.1
H Tennessee	37.6	211.1	5.4	226.4	62.6	26.0	244.3	5.5	213.6	52.9
A Michigan	37.5	215.5	4.9	171.3	56.3	16.8	155.3	3.5	94.8	39.2
H Florida St	35.7	184.5	4.9	270.0	61.7	18.0	106.7	3.1	218.0	56.8
A LSU	29.8	258.6	6.5	182.5	62.0	20.8	139.3	3.8	233.3	55.6
H Louisville	48.8	277.2	3.6	267.3	61.0	19.0	107.5	4.6	188.5	51.8
A Kentucky	25.0	243.0	5.4	178.8	50.8	37.4	246.0	5.8	273.6	61.6
H Georgia Tech	29.3	260.0	5.8	140.4	52.6	22.0	147.4	4.2	237.6	62.1
A Washington	43.6	254.2	5.8	244.6	61.6	21.2	153.6	4.5	188.4	52.2
H Alabama	37.9	212.3	5.1	268.3	67.6	6.9	74.4	2.4	137.6	48.2
A Clemson	35.8	181.3	4.6	283.0	64.2	18.7	112.2	3.0	166.0	49.0
H Ohio St	48.1	282.7	5.8	231.0	63.3	11.4	89.9	2.6	160.0	46.4
A Iowa	23.8	205.8	5.0	148.6	58.1	18.0	152.4	4.3	238.2	49.1
H Florida	32.2	212.8	5.4	245.8	60.0	7.0	87.0	2.5	114.6	39.8
A Western Michigan	37.7	249.4	5.2	212.1	66.5	15.0	130.0	4.4	189.3	54.7
H Wisconsin	33.7	252.2	5.1	179.5	61.8	15.7	114.2	3.5	173.8	47.9
A Penn St	38.8	144.7	3.9	272.2	59.7	29.5	183.8	4.3	190.2	62.5
H USC	40.3	233.3	5.7	285.5	68.9	19.2	100.2	3.2	249.5	59.0
A Auburn	24.3	182.0	4.4	151.0	54.3	21.5	136.5	3.6	289.3	62.2
H Oklahoma	43.3	244.0	5.7	301.5	69.3	21.0	159.5	4.4	208.0	54.5

2016 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	New Mexico	1 Texas Tech	1 Pittsburgh	1 Alabama	1 Colorado	1 Alabama
2	Air Force	2 Washington St	2 Oklahoma	2 USC	2 Michigan	2 Michigan
3	Army	3 California	3 Clemson	3 Wisconsin	3 Washington	3 Ohio St
4	USF	4 Louisiana Tech	4 Washington	4 Houston	4 Kansas	4 Washington
5	Navy	5 Clemson	5 USF	5 NC State	5 Temple	5 Temple
6	Georgia Tech	6 Oklahoma St	6 Alabama	6 Ohio St	6 Florida	6 USC
7	Auburn	7 Oklahoma	7 WKU	7 Washington	7 Baylor	7 LSU
8	LSU	8 WKU	8 Penn St	8 Michigan	8 Ohio St	8 Auburn
9	Tulsa	9 Baylor	9 Tennessee	9 Temple	9 TCU	9 Iowa
10	Appalachian St	10 Mississippi	10 Louisiana Tech	10 Boston College	10 UCLA	10 Wisconsin
11	Arizona	11 Houston	11 Louisville	11 Clemson	11 Appalachian St	11 Stanford
12	Kentucky	12 Miami, Fl	12 Tulsa	12 Auburn	12 Illinois	12 Colorado
13	Louisville	13 East Carolina	13 W Michigan	13 Air Force	13 Stanford	13 BYU
14	Colorado St	14 Penn St	14 USC	14 LSU	14 Oregon St	14 Appalachian St
15	Ohio St	15 E Michigan	15 Ohio St	15 Louisville	15 Utah St	15 Kansas St
16	Mississippi St	16 Syracuse	16 Colorado St	16 Minnesota	16 Oklahoma St	16 Miami, Fl
17	Wisconsin	17 Oregon	17 Florida St	17 Pittsburgh	17 Texas	17 Vanderbilt
18	Alabama	18 Purdue	18 Virginia Tech	18 BYU	18 Iowa St	18 Penn St
19	Pittsburgh	19 Arizona St	19 Memphis	19 Florida St	19 LSU	19 Florida St
20	Oklahoma	20 Memphis	20 Washington St	20 Penn St	20 Rutgers	20 TCU

	RUSH OFFENSE	PASS OFFENSE	SCORING OFFENSE	RUSH DEFENSE	PASS DEFENSE	SCORING DEFENSE
109	Louisiana Tech	109 ULM	109 Miami, Oh	109 Rice	109 Houston	109 Wyoming
110	Charlotte	110 Georgia Tech	110 ULM	110 San Jose St	110 Idaho	110 SMU
111	Ohio	111 Stanford	111 Wake Forest	111 Buffalo	111 FAU	111 North Texas
112	Washington St	112 Iowa	112 S Carolina	112 Syracuse	112 Tulsa	112 Rutgers
113	Arizona St	113 Appalachian St	113 S Alabama	113 Akron	113 Mississippi St	113 Purdue
114	East Carolina	114 Texas St	114 UL Lafayette	114 Oregon	114 UMass	114 Hawaii
115	Idaho	115 UTEP	115 Hawaii	115 Kansas	115 Arizona St	115 Syracuse
116	Texas Tech	116 UL Lafayette	116 Ohio	116 Middle Tenn	116 E Michigan	116 Arizona St
117	North Texas	117 Wisconsin	117 Cincinnati	117 East Carolina	117 N Mexico St	117 East Carolina
118	Akron	118 Auburn	118 Akron	118 ULM	118 Middle Tenn	118 Rice
119	Cincinnati	119 Kent St	119 Charlotte	119 N Mexico St	119 Northwestern	119 N Mexico St
120	UCF	120 Rutgers	120 North Texas	120 Tennessee	120 Louisiana Tech	120 Arizona
121	Purdue	121 Boston College	121 Kent St	121 North Texas	121 Rice	121 UTEP
122	UMass	122 San Diego St	122 Buffalo	122 Texas St	122 Bowling Green	122 UNLV
123	C Michigan	123 GA Southern	123 Marshall	123 Baylor	123 Air Force	123 Texas Tech
124	Texas St	124 Navy	124 Rutgers	124 California	124 Charlotte	124 ULM
125	Fresno St	125 Tulane	125 Georgia St	125 Rutgers	125 USF	125 FAU
126	UCLA	126 Air Force	126 Connecticut	126 S Alabama	126 Texas Tech	126 UMass
127	Marshall	127 New Mexico	127 Texas St	127 FAU	127 Ball St	127 Texas St
128	Georgia St	128 Army	128 Fresno St	128 Nevada	128 Pittsburgh	128 Middle Tenn

2016 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 in '12 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 in '13. 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 taken on the toughest & easiest schedules last year.

	RUSH OFFENSES	PASS OFFENSES	SCORING OFFENSES	RUSH DEFENSES	PASS DEFENSES	SCORING DEFENSES
1	Mississippi	1 Arizona St	1 USC	1 Syracuse	1 West Virginia	1 Mississippi
2	N Carolina	2 Texas	2 Arizona St	2 Louisville	2 California	2 Florida St
3	Notre Dame	3 West Virginia	3 Texas	3 Florida St	3 Oklahoma St	3 LSU
4	Duke	4 Kansas	4 Iowa St	4 Wisconsin	4 Texas	4 Wisconsin
5	LSU	5 TCU	5 Kansas	5 Duke	5 Arizona	5 UCLA
6	Alabama	6 Kansas St	6 Oklahoma	6 Virginia	6 Oklahoma	6 Georgia Tech
7	Wake Forest	7 Iowa St	7 Virginia	7 Georgia Tech	7 Penn St	7 Florida
8	Navy	8 Oklahoma	8 UCLA	8 Mississippi	8 Oregon St	8 California
9	USC	9 Oregon St	9 Stanford	9 LSU	9 Michigan St	9 Georgia
10	Nevada	10 Texas Tech	10 Oregon St	10 Wake Forest	10 Florida	

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

NEW MEXICO BOWL

December 17, 2016 • 2:00 pm • ESPN • University Stadium • Albuquerque, NM

UTSA (6-6)

UTSA	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NEW MEX	133	200	28	+4	-	#112
	310	128	35	-2	✓✓	#124

NEW MEXICO (8-4)

UTSA was 5-2 ATS as a dog including covering vs A&M and Arizona St. New Mexico is just 1-3 ATS as a favorite and half of their wins came by 7 pts or less. While New Mexico runs the unique triple option OFF, teams historically fare well when having extra time to prepare. Thru their F/4 gms vs FBS foes UTSA all'd 211 (4.7) rush ypg, but in their L/7 gms all'd just 129 (4.1). PP calls for UTSA to lose by a td which is right at the current line, making this a no play.

NO PLAY: NEW MEXICO 35 UTSA 28

LAS VEGAS BOWL

December 17, 2016 • 3:30 pm ABC • Sam Boyd Stadium • Las Vegas, NV

HOUSTON (9-3)

HOUSTON	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
SAN DIEGO ST	83	293	31	-3	-	#87
	156	168	26	+10	✓✓	#120

SAN DIEGO ST (10-3)

While SDSt QB Chapman is efficient, their strength is the running gm. Unfortunately for them, UH's strength is their rush D & takeaway the Navy gm they all'd just 79 (2.5) rush ypg. Pumphrey is a small RB at just 5-9 180 & appeared to run down late as he avg just 80 (4.0) his L/3 gms. Against bowl tms UH was +84 ypg, while SDSt was -16 ypg. PP projects UH to hold a 52 yd edge and win by more than a fg and we agree.

2★ HOUSTON 31 SAN DIEGO ST 26

CURE BOWL

December 17, 2016 • 5:30 pm CBSC • Citrus Bowl • Orlando, FL

ARKANSAS ST (7-5)

ARKANSAS ST	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
UCF	158	184	20	+3	-	#126
	88	218	26	+3	✓✓	#71

UCF (6-6)

This game does feature our #90 and #95 offenses going against our #43 and #56 defenses. PP projects UCF to get a 6 pt win which is right at the current line. The ydg edge actually is with Ark St, 342-306. Both numbers do lean a little with the Under, but this is a clear cut no play.

NO PLAY: UCF 26 ARKANSAS ST 20

CAMELLIA BOWL

December 17, 2016 • 5:30 pm ESPN • Cramton Bowl • Montgomery, AL

APPALACHIAN ST (9-3)

APPALACHIAN ST	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
TOLEDO	272	175	29	+8	-	#113
	160	231	24	-4	✓✓	#102

TOLEDO (9-3)

Tough to go against either of these tms as App St has the much stronger D & right now they're a slight dog. The Rockets avg 39 ppg. App St has a solid option OFF vs a D that allows a 4.7 rush ypg. PP projects App St to win by just under a td w/a +56 yd edge. However, our checklist in Power Sweep leans slightly with Toledo. The points say Under but the yards say Over so this will be a no play.

NO PLAY: APPALACHIAN ST 29 TOLEDO 24

NEW ORLEANS BOWL

December 17, 2016 • 9:00 pm ESPN • Mercedes-Benz Superdome • New Orleans, LA

SOUTHERN MISS (6-6)

SOUTHERN MISS	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
LOUISIANA	97	280	21	-16	-	#111
	163	147	27	0	-	#125

LOUISIANA (6-6)

SM QB Mullens missed 3 of his L/4 gms and is back. In their final gm, SM beat a very strong LT team, but the Bulldogs had clinched their Div and mailed it in for that gm. RB McGuire was banged up and failed to reach 100 in 5 of his L/8 but is now healthy. The Cajuns are the dogs here but PP calls for them to win by nearly a td! Throw in the fact that LA is perfect in this bowl and will have the crowd edge and you have a 4★!

4★ LOUISIANA 27 SOUTHERN MISS 21

MIAMI BEACH BOWL

December 19, 2016 • 2:30 pm ESPN • Marlins Park • Miami, FL

CENTRAL MICHIGAN (6-6)

CENTRAL MICHIGAN	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
TULSA	115	284	26	-3	-	#89
	270	263	43	-3	✓✓✓	#76

TULSA (9-3)

We wouldn't be shocked if both Flanders & Brewer each end up with over 100 yds rushing as Tulsa OL avg 301 lbs & CM's DL avg just 274. We feel the Tulsa pass D will neutralize Cooper Rush enough to cover as a DD fav. PP projects Tulsa to win by more than 2 td's, putting up 270 rush yds in the process while almost matching CM's passing output. TU also has the ST edge. A Hurricane is coming and Central Michigan is in the way. Lay the pts and take Tulsa!

3★ TULSA 43 CENTRAL MICHIGAN 26

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BOCA RATON BOWL

December 20, 2016 • 7:00 pm ESPN • FAU Stadium • Boca Raton, FL

MEMPHIS (8-4)

MEMPHIS	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WKU	131	321	37	+10	-	#75
	207	350	44	0	-	#105

WKU (10-3)

WKU will have an interim HC after HC Brohm left to take the Purdue job. Memphis will be motivated being a dog as an AAC member vs a CUSA team. PP calls for WKU to win by 7, but we feel Memphis stays within the line. The value here is with the Over as Memphis has the #31 OFF & #93 D while WKU has the #9 OFF & #35 D. We will take a small play on the total here.

1★ OVER THE TOTAL

POINSETTIA BOWL

December 21, 2016 • 9:00 pm ESPN • Qualcomm Stadium • San Diego, CA

BYU (8-4)

BYU	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WYOMING	230	233	36	+12	✓✓✓	#67
	127	214	23	+3	✓✓	#74

WYOMING (8-5)

BYU is more than a td fav here. WY has fared well as dogs, going 5-2 SU/6-1 ATS and large dogs usually fare well in bowl gms. PP calls for BYU to win by nearly 2 td's w/a 462-340 yd edge. PP doesn't account for inj's and BYU QB Hill was inj'd in the finale and is OFY although QB Mangum did start 12 gms LY. We disagree with PP here and like WY to keep it closer than expected.

NO PLAY: BYU 36 WYOMING 23

FAMOUS IDAHO POTATO BOWL

December 22, 2016 • 7:00 pm ESPN • Albertsons Stadium • Boise, ID

COLORADO ST (7-5)

COLORADO ST	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
IDAHO	244	250	42	+2	-	#83
	150	230	31	+8	✓	#107

IDAHO (8-4)

The Vandals will be excited to play in their home state. We like ID to keep this closer than the Vegas experts expect but PP is calling for CSU by 11 pts which is close to the opening line. We feel the real value is in the total. CSU has the #30 OFF & #61 D. QB Stevens has a 14-1 ratio in his L/6 gms. ID has just the #88 D. PP is calling for a high scoring gm and we completely agree.

4★ OVER THE TOTAL

BAHAMAS BOWL

December 23, 2016 • 1:00 pm ESPN • Thomas Robinson Stadium • Nassau, Bahamas

EASTERN MICHIGAN (7-5)

EASTERN MICHIGAN	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
OLD DOMINION	160	281	31	+1	✓✓	#95
	193	278	36	+13	-	#122

OLD DOMINION (9-3)

We feel the oddsmakers got this gm right as a 3 pt gm & we feel more comfortable with a totals selection. ODU QB Washington figures to have another big game against EM's #89 ranked pass eff D, and don't be surprised if EM QB Roback has his most productive game of the yr. PP calls for this gm to go Over the total and we agree.

2★ OVER THE TOTAL

ARMED FORCES BOWL

December 23, 2016 • 4:30 pm ESPN • Amon G Carter Stadium • Fort Worth, TX

LOUISIANA TECH (8-5)

LOUISIANA TECH	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NAVY	128	351	42	+1	-	#96
	322	188	48	+1	✓	#114

NAVY (8-5)

La Tech allowed 44 ppg in their last 3 games of the season. Navy allowed 36 ppg in their last 6 games before Army. PP calls for Navy to win a shootout 48-42. Navy QB Abey struggled against Army, but it was just his 1st start and he will have plenty of time to prepare for this gm. Two teams playing contrasting styles usually leads to big plays. We agree with PP here in that there will be a ton of points scored and we can't believe the total is just 66, so we will play the Over.

4★ OVER THE TOTAL

DOLLAR GENERAL BOWL

December 23, 2016 • 8:00 pm ESPN • Ladd Peebles Stadium • Mobile, AL

OHIO (8-5)

OHIO	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
TROY	120	203	19	+4	-	#121
	90	279	20	+7	✓	#123

TROY (9-3)

The crucial matchup in this gm will be Ohio DL vs Troy's OFF line. We feel that the Bobcats will have the edge here. The Trojans all'd just 1 sk in their F/7 gms, but all'd at least 1 in each of their L/5 gms. Ohio had 12 sks in their L/4 gms. We feel that the Bobcats keep it a tad closer than expected. PP calls for Troy to escape with a 1 pt win but they are fav'd by more than a fg so PP agrees with us.

1★ OHIO (+) TROY 20

HAWAII BOWL

December 24, 2016 • 8:00 pm ESPN • Aloha Stadium • Honolulu, HI

MIDDLE TENNESSEE (8-4)

MIDDLE TENNESSEE	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
HAWAII	219	241	41	+1	-	#118
	208	277	38	-11	✓✓	#81

HAWAII (6-7)

With QB Stockstill practicing but questionable, this is the only bowl gm that Vegas has not put a number on. Without us knowing who is favored and by how much, we cannot put a selection on this gm.

NO PLAY: MIDDLE TENNESSEE 41 HAWAII 38

ST PETERSBURG BOWL

December 26, 2016 • 11:00 am ESPN • Tropicana Field • St Petersburg, FL

MIAMI, OH (6-6)

MISSISSIPPI ST (5-7)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MIAMI, OH	133	246	23	+3	✓✓	#101
MISSISSIPPI ST	251	218	38	+5	-	#29

If you truly want to see how much of a mismatch this is, check out the Power Sweep Bowl Issue check list! MSU proved it wanted to be in a bowl as they accepted the birth despite 5 wins in the reg ssn. The Redhawks had a solid 2H of their ssn, but just don't matchup well vs a motivated SEC foe. PP projects MSU to win by 15 pts with a +90 yd edge. We completely agree and don't mind laying DD here.

4★ MISSISSIPPI ST 38 MIAMI, OH 23

QUICK LANE BOWL

December 26, 2016 • 2:30 pm ESPN • Ford Field • Detroit, MI

MARYLAND (6-6)

BOSTON COLLEGE (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
MARYLAND	119	169	18	-5	✓✓	#55
BOSTON COLLEGE	196	156	26	+5	-	#63

While Maryland has had success running the ball averaging over 200 rush ypg, don't expect solid results here as BC is all'g just 107 ypg & 3.3 ypc and PP calls for BC to hold a 196-119 rush yd edge. BC has ply'd well against weaker foes & we feel both these tms are even & will go with the much stronger defensive dog. PP also likes BC here and the projection has the Eagles winning by more than a td!

4★ BOSTON COLLEGE 26 MARYLAND 18

INDEPENDENCE BOWL

December 26, 2016 • 5:00 pm ESPN2 • Independence Stadium • Shreveport, LA

VANDERBILT (6-6)

NC STATE (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
VANDERBILT	86	220	19	+6	✓✓	#39
NCST	146	268	19	0	-	#32

Ralph Webb has had a solid yr with over 1,000 rush yds, but we don't anticipate him finding many lanes here as NCSt has a dominant rush D. Vandy has an athletic D, led by LB Cunningham and they've held foes to 24 ypg below their avg. PP can't project a winner, but it calls for a defensive affair and we agree, so we will play the Under.

3★ UNDER THE TOTAL

HEART OF DALLAS BOWL

December 27, 2016 • 12:00 pm ESPN • Cotton Bowl Stadium • Dallas, TX

ARMY (7-5)

NORTH TEXAS (5-7)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
ARMY	376	27	32	-3	-	115
NORTH TEXAS	104	179	20	+2	✓✓✓	100

NT has the advantage with extra time to prep for an offense they've already seen this yr. The Mean Green has a distinct size advantage in the trenches with an OL avg 309 lbs vs an Army DL that avg just 265. NT had 202 (6.1) rush yds in the prior mtg & could have similar results. Power Plays is calling for Army to get their revenge and win by double digits, but we disagree and lean with the dog.

NO PLAY: ARMY 32 NORTH TEXAS 20

MILITARY BOWL

December 27, 2016 • 3:30 pm ESPN • Navy-Marine Corps Stadium • Annapolis, MD

WAKE FOREST (6-6)

TEMPLE (10-3)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WAKE FOREST	100	103	6	+8	-	50
TEMPLE	180	186	24	+6	✓✓	91

Sure Temple has covered 12 straight, but with the change at head coach we'll pass on going with a side selection. Instead we'll focus on the total for this game. Both teams specialize on defense and the Vegas total is 41. Power Plays is calling for a total of just 30 points being scored and we agree and will call for a lower than expected outcome.

4★ UNDER THE TOTAL

HOLIDAY BOWL

December 27, 2016 • 7:00 pm ESPN • Qualcomm Stadium • San Diego, CA

WASHINGTON STATE (8-4)

MINNESOTA (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WASHINGTON STATE	63	384	33	+6	-	22
MINNESOTA	157	221	28	+8	✓✓✓✓	68

Minnesota has competed well as a dog this yr as they led B10 champion Penn State in overtime & led West division champion Wisconsin by a touchdown in the fourth quarter. The biggest weakness on Wazzu's team is their special teams, which is perhaps the Gophers biggest strength. PP's is calling for Minnesota to keep it a tad closer than expected & we agree with the stronger defensive dog.

1★ MINNESOTA (+) 28 WASHINGTON STATE 33

CACTUS BOWL

December 27, 2016 • 10:15 pm ESPN • Chase Field • Phoenix, AZ

BAYLOR (6-6)

BOISE STATE (10-2)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
BAYLOR	187	290	32	-7	✓	65
BOISE STATE	272	213	30	-7	-	85

Sure Baylor limps into this gm with 6 str losses, but they've still been mostly competitive during their losing streak & want to show new HC Rhule they have no quit. KD Cannon has promised they will win this gm & we like the Bears size advantage on their OL vs a Boise DL that avg just 269 lbs. Power Plays is calling for Baylor to pull off the outright upset and we agree with that.

4★ BAYLOR 32 BOISE STATE 30

PINSTRIPED BOWL

December 28, 2016 • 2:00 pm ESPN • Yankee Stadium • Bronx, NY

NORTHWESTERN (6-6)

PITTSBURGH (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
NORTHWESTERN	114	355	34	+7	-	26
PITTSBURGH	199	286	45	+2	✓✓✓✓	10

NW has done a solid job vs the run, all'g just 3.7 ypc while ply'g a B10 sked. If Pitt is forced to pass, Peterman has a solid 26-6 ratio, but the Wildcats counter with a defense that has all'd a fantastic 11-13 ratio. Despite those defensive stats, PP is calling for a high scoring affair. Pitt games have gone OVER the total an incredible 11 straight games! We won't go against a streak like that and will agree with the forecast calling for 79 points scored with the Vegas total at just 66.

4★ OVER THE TOTAL

RUSSELL ATHLETIC BOWL

December 28, 2016 • 5:30 pm ESPN • Camping World Stadium • Orlando, FL

WEST VIRGINIA (10-2)

MIAMI, FL (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
WEST VIRGINIA	186	264	24	+5	-	17
MIAMI, FL	197	293	31	+8	✓✓✓✓✓	42

We were surprised to see Miami as just a fg fav. In the L/5 wins Miami's D all'd 366 ypg, holding their opp's to 41 yds less than their avg, while in WV's L/5 gms, they're D has regressed to allow 493 ypg & their opp's are avg 24 ypg more than their ssn avg. Miami's huge ST's edge will also play a factor & HC Richt is dominant ATS in SU wins (94-45-2, 68%!) incl 8-0 TY! We agree with the PP forecast.

2★ MIAMI, FL 31 WEST VIRGINIA 24

FOSTER FARMS BOWL

December 28, 2016 • 8:30 pm FOX • Levi's Stadium • Santa Clara, CA

INDIANA (6-6)

UTAH (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
INDIANA	96	288	20	-7	-	51
UTAH	172	210	28	+7	✓✓✓	36

HC Whittingham is 9-1 SU in bowls & IU made an unexpected HC change. The Hoosiers new HC was their DC so both coaches are defensive minded and Power Plays has the 2 teams combining for 48 points and the Vegas total is up at 54. We agree with that forecast enough to make this a play.

3★ UNDER THE TOTAL

TEXAS BOWL

December 28, 2016 • 9:00 pm ESPN • NRG Stadium • Houston, TX

KANSAS STATE (8-4)

TEXAS A&M (8-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
KANSAS STATE	235	192	30	+11	-	49
TEXAS A&M	162	256	25	+5	-	52

This one is tough to call. Our computer has Kansas St winning by five and Bill Snyder is the best dog coach in the country. Our Checklist and bowl systems lean with Texas A&M, however. We are torn on this game at the moment of this writeup so we will make this a no play.

NO PLAY: KANSAS STATE 30 TEXAS A&M 25

BIRMINGHAM BOWL

December 29, 2016 • 2:00 pm ESPN • Legion Field • Birmingham, AL

USF (10-2)

SOUTH CAROLINA (6-6)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
USF	342	184	45	+6	✓	78
SOUTH CAROLINA	168	268	24	+10	-	64

The computer forecast shows why USF is a DD fav. However, we look at all the angles & SC is a young tm that was ply'g better OFF down the stretch w/youngsters QB Bentley, RB Dowdle & WR Samuel. USF is led by an interim HC & SC is an SEC tm that is a DD dog to a group of 5 tm. USF is a pure OVER team with a great offense and below average defense. The points forecast shows 69 while the yards forecast suggests 70 points and the Vegas total is just 62'.

4★ OVER THE TOTAL

BELK BOWL

December 29, 2016 • 5:30 pm ESPN • Bank of America Stadium • Charlotte, NC

ARKANSAS (7-5)

VIRGINIA TECH (9-4)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
ARKANSAS	160	234	25	-2	-	33
VIRGINIA TECH	200	253	39	-3	-	45

While Virginia Tech is all'g just 3.9 rush ypc, they've had their struggles. Against Tennessee, Duke & Notre Dame they all'd 222 (5.2) and we expect Arkansas RB Williams to find open running lanes. PP is calling for VT to win by nearly 2 td's, but the yards forecast is closer to a 4 pt MOV & we lean with the Hogs, which makes this a no play.

NO PLAY: VIRGINIA TECH 39 ARKANSAS 25

ALAMO BOWL

December 29, 2016 • 9:00 pm ESPN • Alamodome • San Antonio, TX

OKLAHOMA STATE (9-3)

COLORADO (10-3)

	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	SKED
COLORADO	234	192	27	+7	-	4
OKLAHOMA STATE	181	253	28	+10	✓✓✓	46

While OKSt QB Rudolph has had a great ssn, he could struggle as CU is all'g just 48.2% completions & this will be easily the best pass D he's seen. CU has ply'd a much tougher sked to get them prepared here, taking on Michigan, USC, & Washington. PP is calling for the Pokes to pull off the outright upset, but we disagree & lean with the Buff's, making this a no play.

NO PLAY: OKLAHOMA STATE 28 COLORADO 27

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
LOS ANGELES	233	88	145	7	-10	#4
SEATTLE	355	142	213	22	0	#9

(LA #32 vs SEA #11, SEA #4 vs LA #25) - Both teams come into this Thur matchup off of embarrassing performances. In their previous meeting this ssn the Rams (1st gm back in LA) held the Seahawks without a TD in the 9-3 victory. SEA has since taken control of the NFC West and could clinch here. **Grab this Thursday Night Marquee Winner on the VIP Debit System or with your Marquee Pack after Noon EST gameday.**

NO PLAY: SEATTLE 22 LOS ANGELES 7
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17TH

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
MIAMI	330	119	211	25	+2	#12
NY JETS	332	130	202	21	-17	#29

(MIA #28 vs NYJ #20, NYJ #25 vs MIA #27) - While PP calls for the Dolphins to get the 4 pt win, it's worth mentioning that they will be without QB Tannehill due to LW's inj. A huge bonus for the Jets considering that they have struggled for a good portion of the year. **Grab this Saturday Night Marquee Winner on the VIP Debit System or with your Marquee Pack after 11am EST gameday.**

NO PLAY: MIAMI 25 NY JETS 21
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
DETROIT	337	59	278	15	+4	#1
NY GIANTS	273	71	202	18	-6	#19

(DET #17 vs NYG #16, NYG #30 vs DET #12) - The Giants earned the ssn sweep over the Cowboys for the 1st time since 2011. PP calls for their winning ways to continue this weekend against a Lions squad that won their 5th straight week ago against CHI. We'll disagree with this forecast however as DET is on a 6-2-1 ATS run and are clearly in the mix for the #2 spot in the NFC.

NO PLAY: NY GIANTS 18 DETROIT 15

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
PHILADELPHIA	306	64	242	14	+1	#3
BALTIMORE	332	77	255	24	+5	#6

(PHI #15 vs BAL #3, BAL #5 vs PHI #32) - While the Ravens do return home for this non-conf matchup on short rest following their MNF battle with the Patriots, they do get to take on an Eagles squad that's clearly seen better days after a 4th consec defeat. With a 10 point projected win and AFC North aspirations on the line, the Ravens get the call here.

3.5★ BALTIMORE 24 PHILADELPHIA 14

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
GREEN BAY	342	112	230	27	+1	#31
CHICAGO	331	105	226	20	-7	#28

(GB #7 vs CHI #5, CHI #14 vs GB #24) - Following an impressive home win against the Seahawks a week ago in Lambeau, the Packers find themselves right back in the playoff mix at 7-6. With their overall success in this series with the Bears (13-3 SU/12-4 ATS), we find it puzzling that PP forecasts just a 7 point victory for the visitor.

NO PLAY: GREEN BAY 27 CHICAGO 20

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
INDIANAPOLIS	308	100	208	18	-3	#2
MINNESOTA	339	92	247	23	+12	#18

(IND #9 vs MIN #6, MIN #27 vs IND #15) - The Vikings earned their 1st road win since Sept LW at JAX to stay within the NFC playoff mix. The Colts meanwhile suffered a costly loss at home against division rival HOU to fall 2 gms back in the AFC South. While PP calls for a 5 pt win by MIN, it's too close to the opening line for us to make a selection.

NO PLAY: MINNESOTA 23 INDIANAPOLIS 18

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CLEVELAND	239	124	115	11	-10	#21
BUFFALO	313	183	130	28	+9	#11

(CLE #31 vs BUF #22, BUF #20 vs CLE #18) - It's now or never for the Bills as they need to win their final 3 and get some help to potentially slide into the AFC's final playoff spot. PP projects them to easily handle the first step this week at home against the Browns as they are forecasted for a 17 pt win and a 313-239 yd advantage.

4★ BUFFALO 28 CLEVELAND 11

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
TENNESSEE	286	129	157	11	+2	#30
KANSAS CITY	302	57	245	23	+11	#5

(TEN #8 vs KC #31, KC #19 vs TEN #26) - The Titans head to Arrowhead following their biggest win of the ssn a week ago against DEN. The Chiefs meanwhile slid into the top spot in the AFC West after their victory over OAK. While PP projects a 12 pt win by the Chiers, it's worth mentioning that they've gone just 2-7 ATS recently at home.

NO PLAY: KANSAS CITY 23 TENNESSEE 11

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
JACKSONVILLE	307	100	207	14	-17	#25
HOUSTON	289	140	149	22	-7	#13

(JAX #26 vs HOU #14, HOU #17 vs JAX #4) - The Texans earned just their 2nd road victory of the ssn LW in IND to stay atop the AFC South standings w/TEN. The Jaguars meanwhile have now lost 8 straight and appear to be in trouble again here with PP forecasting an 8 point win by HOU.

3★ HOUSTON 22 JACKSONVILLE 14

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NEW ORLEANS	356	84	272	23	-5	#20
ARIZONA	340	104	236	26	0	#32

(NO #3 vs ARZ #9, ARZ #22 vs NO #2) - After averaging 30 ppg over their first 11 gms of the ssn, the Saints have combined for just 24 total points the past 2 wks in losses to DET & TB. While PP calls for NO to drop another one here, the final forecast is right at the opening line. No Play.

NO PLAY: ARIZONA 26 NEW ORLEANS 23

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
SAN FRANCISCO	353	160	193	16	-3	#15
ATLANTA	434	145	289	41	+8	#7

(SF #24 vs ATL #23, ATL #12 vs SF #29) - The Falcons delivered an easy 4★ Newsletter winner a week ago against the Rams (led 42-0 in 4Q). With SF heading to ATL sporting a 12-gm losing streak, we see no reason to disagree with the large edge here by ATL who is forecasted for a 25 point win and a 434-353 yd edge.

4★ ATLANTA 41 SAN FRANCISCO 16

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
NEW ENGLAND	333	129	204	24	+5	#14
DENVER	313	58	255	20	+5	#8

(NE #2 vs DEN #10, DEN #13 vs NE #8) - The Broncos return home after suffering a costly defeat in Nashville last weekend. The Patriots meanwhile head to Mile High on short rest following their MNF tilt with BAL. While PP calls for a 4 point win by the visitor, the opening line of NE -3 is too close to make this a ★ rated selection.

NO PLAY: NEW ENGLAND 24 DENVER 20

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
OAKLAND	347	95	252	27	+15	#10
SAN DIEGO	376	102	274	25	-5	#26

(OAK #16 vs SD #17, SD #23 vs OAK #19) - Following just their 3rd loss of the ssn a week ago in KC to fall out of 1st place in the AFC West, the Raiders head to SD as a DIV AF for the first time since 2002! With a tight projection forecasted, we'll pass on this one.

NO PLAY: OAKLAND 27 SAN DIEGO 25

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
PITTSBURGH	386	153	233	21	+2	#27
CINCINNATI	346	98	248	20	+3	#22

(PIT #6 vs CIN #13, CIN #11 vs PIT #1) - The Steelers were able to stay tied atop the AFC North standings w/BAL following their road win in snowy Buffalo. The Bengals meanwhile return home after a ssn sweep of CLE. While PP calls for just a 1 point win by PIT, we like the visitor to do more damage in this one.

NO PLAY: PITTSBURGH 21 CINCINNATI 20

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
TAMPA BAY	354	106	248	14	+6	#23
DALLAS	291	125	166	18	+2	#16

(TB #10 vs DAL #21, DAL #21 vs TB #7) - Flexed to SNF. The Cowboys are back in Primetime for a 2nd consec week after dropping just their 2nd game of the ssn LW to the Giants. The Bucs meanwhile have rattled off 5 straight wins to stay tied atop the NFC South. **Call your Northcoast VIP Card after 11am EST on gameday (just \$12). Also available on your Marquee Pack!**

NO PLAY: DALLAS 18 TAMPA BAY 14

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19TH

	Ttl Yds	Rush	Pass	Points	TO's	ST's
CAROLINA	310	99	211	24	-2	#24
WASHINGTON	417	98	319	32	+1	#17

(CAR #29 vs WAS #28, WAS #1 vs CAR #30) - The Redskins were able to earn the ssn sweep of the Eagles LW in Philly while also staying alive for a potential NFC WC berth. The Panthers also got back into the win column LW at home against the Chargers. PP is forecasting a shootout in this one with 56 combined points and an 8 point win by the home team so check back on Monday to see if we agree.

NO PLAY: WASHINGTON 32 CAROLINA 24

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Pittsburgh	4	Arizona 4
Green Bay	3	Atlanta 3
Kansas City	3	Buffalo 3
		Miami 3
ATS LOSSES		
	UNDERS	
Cleveland	7	Detroit 7
Los Angeles	4	Cleveland 5
Philadelphia	4	NY Giants 5
Buffalo	3	Houston 3
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TEAM	2016	TEAM	2016
1. NEW ENGLAND	105.2	17. BUFFALO	98.5
2. DALLAS	104.8	18. TENNESSEE	98.4
3. KANSAS CITY	103.1	19. ARIZONA	98.3
4. OAKLAND	102.3	20. CINCINNATI	98.3
5. SEATTLE	102.0	21. MIAMI	98.0
6. NY GIANTS	101.6	22. INDIANAPOLIS	97.9
7. ATLANTA	101.5	23. CAROLINA	97.4
8. PITTSBURGH	100.9	24. PHILADELPHIA	97.0
9. DENVER	100.2	25. SAN DIEGO	96.3
10. DETROIT	100.0	26. NEW ORLEANS	95.6
11. BALTIMORE	99.7	27. NY JETS	93.3
12. MINNESOTA	99.6	28. LOS ANGELES	92.3
13. HOUSTON	99.4	29. CHICAGO	91.1
14. WASHINGTON	99.2	30. JACKSONVILLE	90.7
15. GREEN BAY	99.0	31. SAN FRANCISCO	86.4
16. TAMPA BAY	98.9	32. CLEVELAND	86.1

2016 PASS EFFICIENCY D

TEAM	YDS	ATT	COMP	%	TD	INT	GRADE	OPP
1. Ohio St	164.5	364	172	47.3	10	19	14.78	11.99
2. Colorado	182.5	439	212	48.3	15	15	14.14	12.48
3. Florida	156.3	304	141	46.4	8	13	13.76	11.84
4. Michigan	135.3	301	134	44.5	9	12	13.54	10.93
5. Virginia Tech	194.4	400	198	49.5	16	13	12.77	12.50
6. UCLA	210.5	441	245	55.6	12	15	12.57	12.39
7. Alabama	184.5	412	217	52.7	11	14	12.56	11.82
8. Wisconsin	206.1	408	213	52.2	12	21	12.56	11.72
9. Washington	192.6	435	250	57.5	13	19	12.43	12.34
10. Stanford	218.9	398	216	54.3	16	12	11.95	13.19
11. Clemson	188.2	418	219	52.4	12	18	11.91	10.79
12. UCF	200.4	406	211	52.0	13	15	11.77	11.02
13. Appalachian St	200.2	418	237	56.7	10	20	11.76	10.98
14. West Virginia	255.7	444	247	55.6	17	14	11.76	13.56
15. Baylor	223.9	361	194	53.7	16	10	11.19	13.39
16. Oregon St	211.2	402	226	56.2	15	7	11.13	12.93
17. LSU	201.2	337	184	54.6	9	9	11.08	11.62
18. Troy	240.7	435	231	53.1	18	18	10.98	11.23
19. TCU	245.2	407	232	57.0	17	8	10.97	14.39
20. Auburn	223.6	438	251	57.3	12	11	10.97	11.82
21. San Diego St	208.2	411	215	52.3	24	22	10.89	11.13
22. Iowa	199.7	376	188	50.0	16	7	10.75	11.06
23. Indiana	220.2	393	207	52.7	17	12	10.70	11.47
24. Utah	256.8	427	250	56.0	21	12	10.68	12.75
25. North St	196.9	393	183	46.6	12	15	10.59	10.99
26. North Texas	212.5	350	180	51.4	20	14	10.51	11.64
27. Nebraska	209.6	384	202	52.3	15	16	10.48	11.39
28. Florida St	225.9	366	203	55.5	17	14	10.48	12.40
29. South Carolina	204.3	371	220	59.3	18	14	10.44	12.65
30. USC	225.3	410	232	56.6	20	11	10.40	12.55
31. Temple	145.2	313	168	53.7	11	10	10.30	10.13
32. Louisville	206.3	382	208	54.5	27	14	10.17	12.07
33. Western Michigan	201.8	381	210	55.1	16	15	10.17	11.05
34. Georgia St	173.9	355	193	54.4	8	11	10.05	9.94
35. Tulane	205.3	347	187	54.4	17	12	9.94	11.36
36. Tulsa	248.5	432	235	54.3	16	7	9.87	11.29
37. Missouri	246.8	418	241	57.7	17	15	9.87	11.65
38. Georgia	186.9	311	182	58.5	12	15	9.80	11.23
39. Memphis	242.5	465	284	61.1	17	15	9.79	11.54
40. Miami, Oh	214.9	381	225	59.1	15	14	9.74	11.35
41. Texas A&M	254.6	442	258	58.4	15	12	9.73	11.59
42. Middle Tennessee	247.1	460	265	57.6	20	11	9.71	11.69
43. Oklahoma	279.0	468	255	54.5	28	8	9.70	13.71
44. Army West Point	229.0	426	236	55.4	11	15	9.66	9.43
45. SMU	242.5	408	239	58.6	21	18	9.60	11.73
46. Tennessee	228.5	390	219	56.2	16	11	9.53	11.13
47. Miami, Fl	240.4	420	245	58.3	17	8	9.47	11.37
48. USF	276.8	464	271	58.4	18	13	9.45	11.80
49. Cincinnati	233.3	389	239	61.4	18	16	9.38	12.18
50. Northwestern	264.9	467	287	61.5	11	13	9.37	11.10
51. Wake Forest	214.2	369	213	57.5	14	11	9.36	10.97
52. Houston	227.1	405	225	55.6	18	7	9.27	11.10
53. Arkansas	219.3	336	197	58.6	10	9	9.26	11.79
54. Arkansas St	220.2	376	204	54.3	14	11	9.23	10.02
55. WKU	268.7	509	301	59.1	21	13	9.23	11.78
56. NC State	251.3	424	256	60.4	16	7	9.22	12.67
57. Texas	258.5	405	246	60.7	22	10	9.18	14.28
58. North Carolina	183.0	310	174	56.1	10	1	9.14	11.19
59. Minnesota	228.2	436	244	56.0	21	8	9.13	10.79
60. Kansas	219.8	357	211	59.1	26	10	9.05	13.73
61. BYU	255.9	396	254	64.1	15	19	9.02	12.23
62. Boston College	203.7	346	198	57.2	26	11	8.99	12.22
63. South Alabama	193.5	402	239	59.5	13	6	8.91	10.24
64. Northern Illinois	250.7	416	236	56.7	25	14	8.90	11.48
65. Penn St	198.5	418	259	62.0	13	9	8.90	10.68
66. UTSA	242.3	402	221	55.0	22	7	8.89	11.57
67. Georgia Tech	233.9	400	251	62.8	13	11	8.87	11.57
68. Oklahoma St	252.6	393	241	61.3	22	13	8.85	13.35
69. Kansas St	281.3	426	267	62.7	23	15	8.85	13.49
70. Maryland	215.8	371	210	56.6	16	4	8.83	11.18
71. Kentucky	214.5	338	196	58.0	20	13	8.78	11.53
72. Old Dominion	220.7	371	219	59.0	19	10	8.61	11.28
73. UNLV	243.2	395	210	53.2	23	5	8.56	11.17
74. Southern Miss	181.6	290	162	55.9	19	9	8.43	10.69
75. Iowa St	234.8	385	235	61.0	25	9	8.42	13.25
76. Washington St	283.6	425	267	62.8	19	12	8.36	13.13
77. Toledo	229.3	381	213	55.9	23	6	8.35	11.29
78. Central Michigan	214.8	375	219	58.4	28	13	8.32	11.25
79. Illinois	185.9	308	194	63.0	11	7	8.31	11.35
80. Notre Dame	196.4	313	193	61.7	14	8	8.22	11.49
81. Vanderbilt	245.4	413	252	61.0	17	5	8.18	11.71
82. South Alabama	171.9	303	181	59.7	13	10	8.14	9.29
83. Mississippi	214.9	350	206	58.9	17	8	8.07	10.65
84. Utah St	176.5	314	181	57.6	20	7	8.00	10.06
85. Michigan St	206.2	332	198	59.6	19	8	7.94	11.11
86. East Carolina	224.3	338	194	57.4	17	5	7.94	11.23
87. California	245.4	395	236	59.7	30	11	7.90	12.62
88. Eastern Michigan	271.6	441	268	60.8	22	10	7.81	11.35
89. Georgia Southern	229.5	355	210	59.2	16	9	7.81	10.48
90. Purdue	207.4	315	187	59.4	22	12	7.73	11.08
91. Duke	239.8	322	177	55.0	21	10	7.71	11.20
92. Air Force	252.4	357	191	53.5	22	14	7.65	9.65
93. Syracuse	275.7	373	215	57.6	20	10	7.56	11.60
94. Rutgers	186.5	295	172	58.3	21	8	7.56	10.53
95. Marshall	253.7	372	220	59.1	21	8	7.53	11.61
96. Charlotte	309.8	496	310	62.5	29	16	7.44	11.63
97. Colorado St	191.0	285	165	57.9	14	8	7.30	9.49
98. FIU	235.8	366	226	61.7	23	6	7.30	12.30
99. Nevada	158.4	240	142	59.2	12	5	7.27	9.79
100. 48h	251.4	394	234	59.4	12	11	7.15	11.16
101. Wyoming	261.3	410	233	56.8	22	14	7.24	9.16
102. UL Lafayette	241.9	397	246	62.0	16	9	7.23	9.78
103. Mississippi St	283.1	441	269	61.0	31	13	7.18	11.89
104. Buffalo	181.5	285	164	57.5	15	5	7.17	9.29
105. Fresno St	167.4	270	159	58.9	21	5	7.12	10.23
106. Akron	241.3	390	239	61.3	22	8	7.06	10.53
107. Oregon	271.9	449	291	64.8	29	9	6.93	12.74
108. Pittsburgh	343.1	513	327	63.7	27	8	6.75	13.13
109. Connecticut	264.7	414	265	64.0	20	7	6.71	11.02
110. San Jose St	188.6	266	160	60.2	18	10	6.67	9.89
111. Texas Tech	315.8	443	271	61.2	28	5	6.67	13.95
112. Idaho	270.0	412	261	63.3	26	5	6.62	10.49
113. Ball St	319.7	480	301	62.7	27	7	6.45	12.04
114. UTEP	209.0	336	210	62.5	26	6	6.36	10.76
115. Virginia	256.6	351	221	63.0	25	9	6.20	12.16
116. ULM	220.1	322	192	59.6	23	6	6.17	9.84
117. Louisiana Tech	283.6	482	316	65.6	32	9	6.06	12.65
118. New Mexico	231.0	318	191	60.1	22	9	6.03	10.10
119. Hawaii	216.3	342	216	63.2	25	9	6.00	10.32
120. New Mexico St	252.4	360	232	64.4	23	13	5.76	9.69
121. Navy	242.2	373	238	63.8	25	7	5.65	10.98
122. Arizona	275.2	427	281	65.8	34	8	5.51	12.39
123. FAU	268.4	355	233	65.6	24	10	5.51	11.85
124. Arizona St	357.4	485	314	64.7	33	9	5.49	14.18
125. UMass	259.6	394	254	64.5	27	4	5.39	10.79
126. Bowling Green	273.3	380	243	63.9	33	9	5.02	11.18
127. Boise St	247.7	372	248	66.7	28	3	4.86	11.18
128. Rice	287.7	338	214	63.3	25	5	4.21	11.09

2016 COLLEGE TEAM STAT AVERAGES

TEAM	OFF		- RUSHING -				- PASSING -				DEF		- OPPONENTS					RUSH	SKS	
	PTS	FD	ATT	YDS	AVG	FUM	COM	ATT	PCT	YDS	INT	TD	PTS	FD	ATT	YDS	AVG	FUM	VS	BY
AIR FORCE	34.3	23.2	63.7	322.8	5.1	0.8	5.1	11.7	43.6	128.8	8	13	26.7	17.9	34.6	118.0	3.4	0.5	13	28
ARNONE	27.4	19.5	31.7	132.2	4.2	0.7	18.1	33.0	54.8	255.3	14	25	33.6	24.5	44.5	224.7	5.0	0.6	26	15
ALABAMA	40.5	21.8	42.7	245.0	5.7	0.8	18.8	28.5	62.8	226.3	9	25	11.8	13.2	31.2	63.4	2.0	0.8	21	45
APPALACHIAN ST	29.1	20.5	24.1	57.1	5.6	0.8	15.8	25.1	62.8	140.0	8	15	18.3	12.2	32.2	125.8	3.9	0.1	17	28
ARIZONA	29.8	20.5	38.8	255.3	6.6	0.8	18.3	25.8	51.7	231.3	9	25	38.3	26.2	41.8	194.7	4.7	0.5	28	22
ARIZONA ST	33.3	20.3	39.6	131.5	3.3	0.6	21.4	35.4	60.5	259.3	14	16	39.8	23.2	33.3	163.1	4.9	0.7	41	29
ARKANSAS	30.8	22.8	40.3	174.9	4.3	0.8	19.1	31.3	61.1	263.0	12	24	30.8	18.7	34.0	209.3	6.2	0.8	29	21
ARKANSAS ST	27.0	19.5	39																	

LIBERTY BOWL

December 30, 2016 • 12:00 pm ESPN • Liberty Bowl • Memphis, TN

TCU (6-6)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	GEORGIA (7-5)	SP TEAMS	SKED
TCU	155	213	19	-3	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	34
GEORGIA	212	134	19	+7	-	-	60

These schls are about as even as you can get so it makes perfect sense the Vegas line is anywhere from a pick'em to a 1 pt spread. We believe more value for this game lies within the total. While TCU ranks #23 on OFF by the NCAA, our rankings have them just #71, while the NCAA ranks them with the #74 D, but ours has them at #27. TCU has been held under a td in 2 of their L/3 gms. PP is calling for 38 total points & the Vegas line is 49. We agree with a lower than expected outcome.

4★ UNDER THE TOTAL

SUN BOWL

December 30, 2016 • 2:00 pm CBS • Sun Bowl Stadium • El Paso, TX

NORTH CAROLINA (8-4)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	STANFORD (9-3)	SP TEAMS	SKED
NORTH CAROLINA	149	229	22	+1	-	-	18
STANFORD	272	149	25	-1	-	-	5

Stanford has a HUGE edge on D. McCaffrey should have a big game against NC's weak rush D. Trubisky could be neutralized vs our #10 ranked pass eff D. PP is calling this to end right at the line.

NO PLAY: STANFORD 25 NORTH CAROLINA 22

ARIZONA BOWL

December 30, 2016 • 2:00 pm • Arizona Stadium • Tuscon, AZ

SOUTH ALABAMA (6-6)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	AIR FORCE (9-3)	SP TEAMS	SKED
SOUTH ALABAMA	84	276	22	+1	-	-	127
AIR FORCE	400	76	37	+3	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	119

Air Force has struggled in their role as a double digit favorite this year, going just 1-6 ATS, with three outright losses. Conversely South Alabama has fared well as a double digit underdog, going 3-1 ATS with outright wins over Mississippi State and San Diego State. The Jaguars have extra time to prepare for the triple option offense. PP favors AF, but we lean with the dog. No play.

NO PLAY: AIR FORCE 37 SOUTH ALABAMA 22

MUSIC CITY BOWL

December 30, 2016 • 3:30 pm ESPN • Nissan Stadium • Nashville, TN

NEBRASKA (9-3)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	TENNESSEE (8-4)	SP TEAMS	SKED
NEBRASKA	235	237	29	+5	-	-	58
TENNESSEE	187	249	39	-2	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	38

Tommy Armstrong wasn't practicing when we went to press (CS). While Tennessee is disappointed in the way their season played out, being close to home and going out with a statement win would give them confidence going into next year. The Volunteers have a HUGE ST edge. This is a rare forecast that we like strong enough to have 2 plays on one game!

4★ TENNESSEE 39 NEBRASKA 29

4★ OVER THE TOTAL

ORANGE BOWL

December 30, 2016 • 8:00 pm ESPN • Hard Rock Stadium • Miami Gardens, FL

FLORIDA STATE (9-3)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	MICHIGAN (10-2)	SP TEAMS	SKED
MICHIGAN	158	191	27	+6	✓✓	✓✓	56
FLORIDA STATE	163	170	21	+4	-	-	19

The Vegas line has Michigan favored by a td & PP agrees with that, but we lean with the dog here. The better value in this newsletter is the total. PP is calling for a total of 48 points to be scored & the Vegas total is 55. We'll agree with a lower than expected outcome.

4★ UNDER THE TOTAL

CITRUS BOWL

December 31, 2016 • 11:00 am ABC • Camping World Stadium • Orlando, FL

LSU (7-4)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	LOUISVILLE (9-3)	SP TEAMS	SKED
LSU	207	219	34	0	✓✓✓✓	✓✓✓✓	8
LOUISVILLE	198	239	28	-7	-	-	53

While L'ville is solid against the run, they did allow 201 (6.5) vs Clemson & 229 (5.3) vs KY. LSU RB Fournette should be as healthy as he's been all sn & along with Guice should be able to run wild here. The Tigers ply'd a much tougher sked & the ST's edge will likely play a role in this gm too. PP is calling for LSU to win by nearly a td & the line is just a fg. We agree & lean with the Tigers.

3★ LSU 34 LOUISVILLE 28

TAXSLAYER BOWL

December 31, 2016 • 11:00 am ESPN • Everbank Field • Jacksonville, FL

KENTUCKY (7-5)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	GEORGIA TECH (8-4)	SP TEAMS	SKED
KENTUCKY	259	217	30	-6	-	-	54
GEORGIA TECH	338	141	35	+3	-	-	43

KY has extra time to prep for the option & they're rush OFF is as good as GT's & the Yellow Jackets all'd 174 (5.0) rush ypg vs bowl tms. UK was 5-2 as an SEC dog & GT has been lucky in their 3 gm win streak entering here (outFD'd 72-38)! We like Kentucky outright here & the yds call it even so we disagree with the points forecast.

NO PLAY: GEORGIA TECH 35 KENTUCKY 30

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PEACH BOWL

December 31, 2016 • 3:00 pm ESPN • Georgia Dome • Atlanta, GA

WASHINGTON (12-1)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	ALABAMA (13-0)	SP TEAMS	SKED
WASHINGTON	64	228	24	+21	-	-	61
ALABAMA	183	155	28	+5	✓	✓	7

Besides Kansas State HC Bill Snyder, there isn't another HC that relishes the underdog role better than Petersen. Power Plays has the heavy underdog Huskies hanging in and only losing by just over a field goal. We agree and think Washington keeps it closer than expected.

4★ WASHINGTON (+) 24 ALABAMA 28

FIESTA BOWL

December 31, 2016 • 7:00 pm ESPN • University of Phoenix Stadium • Glendale, AZ

OHIO STATE (11-1)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	CLEMSON (12-1)	SP TEAMS	SKED
CLEMSON	129	293	29	0	-	-	48
OHIO STATE	194	208	32	+16	✓	✓	28

We feel OSU is about a fg stronger than Clemson as does Vegas, as does Power Plays. The total for this game 60' & Power Plays is calling for 61 total points being scored. This is an easy no play.

NO PLAY: OHIO STATE 32 CLEMSON 29

OUTBACK BOWL

January 2, 2017 • 1:00 pm ABC • Raymond James Stadium • Tampa, FL

IOWA (8-4)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	FLORIDA (8-4)	SP TEAMS	SKED
IOWA	171	93	22	+7	-	-	47
FLORIDA	108	223	18	+1	-	-	12

This game has some conflicting trends. The computer numbers say Iowa winning outright, but gives Florida the yardage edge. This game is being played 3 weeks from now and we would like to know how healthy the Gators are and what the line moves to. The points are calling for the dog Hawkeyes to win outright but Florida to have a 330-263 yd edge. The total is also right at the Vegas number.

NO PLAY: IOWA 22 FLORIDA 18

COTTON BOWL

January 2, 2017 • 1:00 pm ESPN • AT&T Stadium • Arlington, TX

WESTERN MICHIGAN (13-0)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	WISCONSIN (10-3)	SP TEAMS	SKED
WESTERN MICHIGAN	131	236	27	+19	✓✓✓	✓✓✓	116
WISCONSIN	238	148	34	+11	-	-	20

The playoffs have been around 2Y & the group of 5 tm is 2-0 in these NY6 bowls, pulling outright upsets each time. UW doesn't strike us as a tm that will look past a foe b/c it's led by a D that never lets up & the Badgers are the more talented tm. The projected score is at the line.

NO PLAY: WISCONSIN 34 WESTERN MICHIGAN 27

ROSE BOWL

January 2, 2017 • 5:00 pm ESPN • Rose Bowl • Pasadena, CA

USC (9-3)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	PENN STATE (11-2)	SP TEAMS	SKED
PENN STATE	99	265	27	+3	-	-	35
USC	191	269	31	-2	✓	✓	1

PSU trailed their L/2 gms at the half being outgd in each, but used big plays to roll in the 2H's. USC's secondary is too good to get beat by 50/50 balls & if PSU resorts to that then the Trojans will get some int's & Adoree' Jackson may just take 1 back. A check of the points show the 2 tms combining for 58 points and the total is 63.

2★ UNDER THE TOTAL

SUGAR BOWL

January 2, 2017 • 8:30 pm ESPN • Mercedes-Benz Superdome • New Orleans, LA

AUBURN (8-4)	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	OKLAHOMA (10-2)	SP TEAMS	SKED
AUBURN	277	117	26	+4	✓✓	✓✓	37
OKLAHOMA	177	333	33	-1	-	-	30

With QB Sean White & RB Kamryn Pettway returning to full health the Auburn offense should be humming like it was mid-season before they got injured. There's no doubt Auburn has the stronger defense and they are an underdog by over a field goal. The PP numbers are skewed a bit with Auburn's inj's, so this is a no play.

NO PLAY: OKLAHOMA 33 AUBURN 26

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