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MIDWEEK ALERT STAT RANKINGS



Listed below are our exclusive **STAT RANKINGS**, a quick read guide into the offensive and defensive stats and rankings compiled by each team. Reading across we find each team's In The Stats Rating (ITS), Average Points For (PTF), Points Against (PTA), Offensive Rushing Yards (OFR), Offensive Passing Yards (OPF), Total Offensive Yards (OYD), Total Defensive Yards (DYD), Defensive Passing Yards (DFP) and Defensive Rushing Yards (DFR), along with their numerical ranking against all other teams.

2017 FINAL NFL STAT RANKINGS

TEAM	ITS	PTF RNK	PTA RNK	OFR RNK	OPF RNK	OYD RNK	DYD RNK	DFP RNK	DFR RNK	TEAM	ITS	PTF RNK	PTA RNK	OFR RNK	OPF RNK	OYD RNK	DYD RNK	DFP RNK	DFR RNK
ARIZONA	10-6	18 25	23 19	87 29	228 15	315 21	313 6	223 14	90 6	LA CHARGERS	10-6	22 13	17 2	100 24	277 1	377 4	328 13	197 3	131 31
ATLANTA	12-4	22 13	20 8	116 11	250 8	366 7	319 9	215 11	104 8	LA RAMS	8-8	30 1	21 12	122 7	240 10	362 10	339 18	217 13	122 28
BALTIMORE	6-10	25 8	19 5	116 11	189 29	305 28	325 11	214 9	111 14	MIAMI	7-9	18 25	25 29	87 29	223 18	310 24	337 16	226 16	111 14
BUFFALO	4-12	19 22	22 16	126 6	180 31	306 26	357 27	232 20	125 29	MINNESOTA	14-2	24 10	16 1	122 7	235 12	357 11	276 1	192 2	84 2
CAROLINA	7-9	23 11	20 8	131 4	192 28	323 19	317 7	229 17	88 3	NEW ENGLAND	9-7	29 2	19 5	118 10	276 2	394 1	366 29	251 30	115 20
CHICAGO	7-9	17 29	20 8	112 16	176 32	288 30	319 9	211 6	108 11	NEW ORLEANS	10-6	28 4	20 8	129 5	263 5	392 2	337 16	225 15	112 16
CINCINNATI	5-11	18 25	22 16	85 31	195 27	280 32	339 18	211 6	128 30	NY GIANTS	5-11	15 31	24 21	97 25	217 19	314 22	373 31	252 31	121 26
CLEVELAND	8-8	15 31	26 31	107 18	202 22	309 25	328 13	230 18	98 7	NY JETS	6-10	19 22	24 21	106 19	199 23	305 28	355 25	237 22	118 23
DALLAS	10-6	22 13	21 12	136 2	198 25	334 14	318 8	214 9	104 8	OAKLAND	7-9	19 22	23 19	97 25	227 16	324 17	352 24	243 26	109 12
DENVER	10-6	18 25	24 21	116 11	208 20	324 17	290 3	201 4	89 4	PHILADELPHIA	12-4	29 2	18 4	132 3	235 12	367 6	309 5	230 18	79 1
DETROIT	6-10	26 5	24 21	76 32	262 6	338 13	356 26	243 26	113 18	PITTSBURGH	13-3	25 8	19 5	104 20	274 3	378 3	308 4	202 5	106 10
GREEN BAY	6-10	20 21	24 21	108 17	198 25	306 26	349 21	237 22	112 16	S FRANCISCO	6-10	21 16	24 21	104 20	247 9	351 12	351 23	235 21	116 21
HOUSTON	7-9	21 16	27 32	115 14	205 21	320 20	346 20	237 22	109 12	SEATTLE	8-8	23 11	21 12	102 23	229 14	331 15	327 12	213 8	114 19
INDIANAPOLIS	4-12	16 30	25 29	104 20	181 30	285 31	368 30	247 28	121 26	TAMPA BAY	8-8	21 16	24 21	91 27	273 4	364 9	379 32	261 32	118 23
JACKSONVILLE	11-5	26 5	17 2	141 1	225 17	366 7	286 2	170 1	116 21	TENNESSEE	6-10	21 16	22 16	115 14	199 23	314 22	328 13	239 25	89 4
KANSAS CITY	8-8	26 5	21 12	119 9	257 7	376 5	365 28	247 28	118 23	WASHINGTON	6-10	21 16	24 21	91 27	238 11	329 16	349 21	215 11	134 32

NFL WILD CARD PLAYOFFS (starts on page 2)

LEGEND – **OWL**: Foe's Win-Loss mark before game is played, **PF-PA**: Points scored for and against, **SU**: Outright win or loss of game, **Line**: Game's CLOSING line, **ATS**: Win or loss of game against the pointspread, **O/U**: Final Over/Under total and result, **OYP**: Offensive yards per play, **OFR**: Offensive rush yards, **OPF**: Offensive pass yards, **OYD**: Total offensive yards gained, **DYD**: Total defensive yards allowed, **DFP**: Defensive pass yards, **DFR**: Defensive rush yards, **DYP**: Defensive yards per play, **RES**: A formulated Re-Score of the game based strictly on actual yardage gained and allowed, **F-A**: 'F' shows total number of turnovers committed by subject team; 'A' shows total turnovers committed by opponent. **Note**: A red check mark at the left of the log box indicates the team outgained its opponent.



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COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

**MONDAY - JANUARY 8
8:30 PM ET - ESPN TV**

Alabama over Georgia by 3

**OPENING LINES:
ALABAMA -4 / 47.5**

In order for Georgia to win a national championship for the first time since 1980, Bulldogs head coach Kirby Smart will have to break an ugly streak. That's because Alabama head coach Nick Saban – much like New England head coach Bill Belichick – turns into 'Satan' when taking on former assistants, going **11-0 SU** and **9-2 ATS** against his exes. And for the most part, the games have not been close as the evil one has outscored his counterparts, 427-111. OMG. Ironically, the last time that Saban won a national championship was the 2015 season – with Smart as his defensive coordinator. In fact, Bama is playing in the postseason with an outgoing coordinator for the third year in a row. So where do we go from here, you wonder?

Handicapping this game on its merits finds a matchup of two teams that took on four common opponents this season, with the SEC champion Dawgs going 4-1 SUATS (Auburn twice) and the SEC 3rd place Tide 3-1 SUATS. Meanwhile, both teams bring Top 5 ranked defenses into the fray. And it's worth noting that underdogs in CFB Playoff championship games are 2-1 SU and 3-0 ATS. Speaking of Smart, he brings a salty **3-1 SU** and **4-0 ATS** mark into this game against .900 or greater opponents, as well as a 3-0 ATS log as a dog of fewer than 6 points. Georgia won in overtime last week. Another extra session game tonight would not surprise. We're speculating that on the 12th try, one of Saban's apples won't fall so far from the tree.

ALABAMA (12-1)

OPPONENT	DATE	OWL	PF	PA	SU	LINE	ATS	O/U	OYP	OFR	OFF	OYD	OYD	DFP	DFR	DYP	RES	F-A	
✓ vs Florida St	9/2	0-0	24	7	W	-7.5	W	U50.5	4.5	173	96	269	250	210	40	4.2	18-17	0-3	
✓ FRESNO ST	9/9	1-0	41	10	W	-4.2	L	U53.5	7.5	305	192	497	274	216	58	4.3	33-18	0-1	
✓ COLO ST	9/16	2-1	41	23	W	-29.5	L	O53	8.1	239	248	487	391	247	144	5.0	32-26	0-2	
✓ at Vanderbilt	9/23	3-0	59	0	W	-20	W	O42.5	7.6	501	181	682	78	38	40	2.1	45-5	0-2	
✓ MISSISSIPPI	9/30	2-1	66	3	W	-30	W	O55.5	8.6	373	248	621	253	165	88	4.6	41-17	0-2	
✓ at Texas A&M	10/7	4-1	27	19	W	2	L	U56.5	5.4	232	123	355	308	237	71	4.5	24-21	1-3	
✓ ARKANSAS	10/14	2-3	41	9	W	-36.5	L	U52.5	7.9	310	188	498	227	200	27	3.2	33-15	2-1	
✓ TENNESSEE	10/21	3-3	45	7	W	-36.5	W	O51	7.2	276	332	608	108	44	64	2.3	41-7	2-1	
✓ LSU	11/4	6-2	24	10	W	-20	L	U45.5	5.4	112	183	295	306	155	151	4.2	20-20	0-1	
✓ at Mississippi St	11/11	7-2	31	24	W	-14	L	O48.5	7.8	202	242	444	332	158	174	4.6	30-22	0-0	
✓ MERCER	11/18	5-5	56	0	W				9.1	271	265	536	161	54	107	2.6	36-11	2-3	
at Auburn	11/25	9-2	14	26	L	-6	L	U46.5	6.2	209	168	377	408	240	168	5.2	25-27	1-1	
✓ Ply Clemson Bwl	1/1	12-1	24	6	W	-3.5	W	U47	4.0	141	120	261	188	124	64	2.7	17-13	1-2	
AVERAGES		OFF	DEF						OFF	DEF									
SCORING		38.0	11.0						YDS/POINT	12.0	23.0								
RUSHING		257	92						YDS/RUSH	6.0	2.7								
PASSING		199	161						YDS/PASS	8.6	5.3								
TOTAL		456	253						YDS/PLAY	6.9	3.9								

GEORGIA (13-1)

OPPONENT	DATE	OWL	PF	PA	SU	LINE	ATS	O/U	OYP	OFR	OFF	OYD	OYD	DFP	DFR	DYP	RES	F-A	
✓ APPCHIAN ST	9/2	0-0	31	10	W	-11.5	W	U46.5	5.8	221	147	368	284	148	136	4.4	25-19	2-0	
✓ at Notre Dame	9/9	1-0	20	19	W	5.5	W	U56.5	4.8	191	141	332	266	211	55	3.5	22-18	2-2	
✓ SAMFORD	9/16	2-0	42	14	W				6.7	284	175	459	249	227	22	4.3	31-17	1-1	
✓ MISS ST	9/23	3-0	31	3	W	-3	W	U46.5	7.5	203	201	404	280	103	177	4.0	27-19	1-2	
✓ at Tennessee	9/30	3-1	41	0	W	-9	W	U47	5.5	298	84	382	146	80	66	2.9	25-10	1-4	
✓ at Vanderbilt	10/7	3-2	45	14	W	-17	W	O41	8.2	424	126	550	236	172	64	4.5	37-16	1-0	
✓ MISSOURI	10/14	1-4	53	28	W	-28.5	L	O59	9.5	378	326	704	330	253	77	6.9	47-22	1-1	
✓ vs Florida	10/28	3-3	42	7	W	-12.5	W	O42	9.6	294	101	395	249	66	183	3.8	26-17	1-2	
✓ S CAROLINA	11/4	6-2	24	10	W	-23.5	L	U45	6.0	245	196	441	270	227	43	5.1	29-18	1-2	
at Auburn	11/11	7-2	17	40	L	-2	L	O47.5	3.8	46	184	230	488	251	237	6.9	15-33	1-0	
✓ KENTUCKY	11/18	7-3	42	13	W	-21.5	W	O51	8.7	381	123	504	262	138	124	4.4	34-17	1-1	
✓ at Georgia Tech	11/23	5-5	38	7	W	-12	W	U50.5	8.0	247	224	471	226	38	188	4.1	31-15	0-1	
✓ Ply Auburn	12/2	10-2	28	7	W	-1.5	W	U48	6.7	238	183	421	259	145	114	4.1	28-17	0-2	
✓ Ply Okla Bwl	1/1	12-1	54	48	W	-2.5	W	O62	8.4	317	210	527	351	289	242	6.6	35-35	1-1	
AVERAGES		OFF	DEF						OFF	DEF									
SCORING		36.0	16.0						YDS/POINT	12.3	18.2								
RUSHING		269	123						YDS/RUSH	6.1	3.7								
PASSING		173	168						YDS/PASS	8.9	5.8								
TOTAL		442	291						YDS/PLAY	7.0	4.7								

✓ = Outyarded Game Opponent • RES represents a formulated Re-Score of the game based on actual yardage gained and allowed



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Below are the current Top 20 Contestants from the 2017 Wise Guys Contest – One Point Single Plays Listed

Andy Iskoe thelogicalapproach.com	Alabama (-4.5)	20-12-2 / 9-6-2* / 29 pts	Marc Lawrence playbook.com	Ala-Ga UNDER 45	21-13 / *12-5 / 34 pts
Big Board Sports bigboardsports@zoominternet.net	Atl-Rams OVER 48.5	17-17 / *9-8 / 27 pts	Mr. Vegas jimfeist.com	Atl-Rams OVER 48.5	17-16-1 / *9-8 / 27 pts
Billy Coleman billy2313@sbcglobal.net	Buff-Jax UNDER 39.5	19-13-2 / 10-6-1 / 29 pts	Scott Rickenbach playbook.com	FALCONS (+6.5)	17-17 / *9-8 / 27 pts
Bob Dietz integritysports@aol.com	Ala-Ga UNDER 45	23-11 / 10-7 / 33 pts	Special K Sports specialksports.com	PANTHERS (+6.5)	20-13-1 / *13-4 / 34 pts
Doc's Sports docsports.com	LA RAMS (-6.5)	19-15 / 10-7* / 29 pts	Stan Lisowski playbook.com	Caro-NO OVER 48	19-14-1 / 8-8-1 / 27 pts
Hurricane Bill playbook.com	LA RAMS (-6.5)	18-16 / 10-7 / 28 pts	Stormin Norman freesportsinfo.com	Georgia (+4.5)	19-14-1 / 10-6*-1 / 29 pts
Jay's Plays playbook.com	FALCONS (+6.5)	18-15-1 / *8-8-1 / 27 pts	TD Tony ashnetwork.com	CHIEFS (-8)	19-15 / 8-9 / 27 pts
Joe Lisi goforthe2.com	Ala-Ga OVER 45	19-14-1 / *7-10 / 27 pts	Universal Sports playbook.com	CHIEFS (-8)	17-15-2 / *13-3-1 / 31 pts
Joe Nelson nellysports.com	FALCONS (+6.5)	21-12-1 / 8-9 / 29 pts	Vegas Synergy vegassynergy.com	PANTHERS (+6.5)	20-14 / *8-9 / 29 pts
Ken Thomson sportsradio.com	SAINTS (-6.5)	19-14-1 / 9-8* / 28 pts	Weekly Wizard playbook.com	LA RAMS (-6.5)	20-12-2 / 11-5-1 / 31 pts