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NCAA Landscape

College football week 11 is in the books. After every week fans can take away things from what happened on the field. Here are 5 things we learned from college football week 11.

1. Oklahoma's Offense is a Problem

After several close calls this season, Oklahoma lost their first game of the season on Saturday to Baylor. Their offense ended up being the biggest problem, as they managed to score just 14 total points. While the quarterbacks keep on getting changed, that isn't the main issue. Lincoln Riley has a lot to figure out to get Oklahoma back on track.

Baylor was the best team that Oklahoma has played this season, but the inability to run the football has happened against different teams this year. They rushed for just 78 yards against Baylor. Initially, putting Caleb Williams into the lineup helped to jump-start the running game, because of his own ability to run the ball. Baylor found a way to stop Williams and the running offense as a whole. The Sooners can continue to change quarterbacks, but the offense won't get going again like it did in past years until they can run the ball more consistently.

2. Ohio State's Offense vs. Georgia's Defense Would be an Elite Matchup

All season long, Georgia's defense has been getting big headlines. It is deserved after they have allowed just 7.6 points per game and have plenty of NFL Draft talent on the team. They allowed a season-high in points this weekend to Tennessee, who scored 17. The Bulldogs have one of the most elite college defenses that has been seen in a while.

One offense has emerged that would present a good matchup to see. Ohio State just hung 59 points on Purdue. They have so many weapons to use in a hypothetical matchup with Georgia. With C.J. Stroud really improving as the season goes on at quarterback, three star receivers (with plenty of depth behind them) and a star running back in TreVeyon Henderson, the Buckeyes pose so many threats to the defense. Add to that a lot of talented offensive linemen who will be playing football on Sundays soon and the offense is great. A quarterback run game would be nice, but the Buckeyes may not need it. If there is one college football matchup that would be amazing to see this season, it would be Ohio State's offense against Georgia's defense.

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3. Wake Forest is the ACC's Best Team

After dropping a game to UNC to give the team the first loss of the season, Wake Forest bounced back in a big fashion to beat a ranked NC State team. That puts Wake at 9-1 with no conference losses (their game against UNC was a scheduled nonconference game). That win has helped Wake Forest's probability of having a 10-win season and making the ACC Championship Game.

They will have tough games left against Clemson and Boston College, but Wake will put up a fight with their high-powered offense. Even if they lose one of the next two games, they will be in the ACC Championship. Dave Clawson has done a great job turning around the program and taking advantage of the down ACC. If they finish strong, a New Year's Six Bowl is within sight.

4. Michigan Will Likely have First 10-win Season Since 2018

Michigan won a tough game against Penn State on Saturday. They trailed late, but had a big play for a touchdown by tight end Erick All. While the win could have been done in a more convincing fashion, these types of games are ones that Jim Harbaugh has routinely lost during his tenure in Ann Arbor.

While the season still has a couple of games left, the game sets up a massive rivalry game with Ohio State to end the season. Michigan is likely to notch their 10th win in week 12. The last time they did that was 2018, but is that all this team can do? The Wolverines have been waiting for a chance to do even more than 10 wins under Harbaugh and it will take a bowl win or a win over the Buckeyes for them to achieve that.

5. Give the Aztecs Matt Araiza the Ray Guy Award Already

It is not often that a punter makes national headlines, but Matt Araiza has this season. He has also deserved it. The San Diego State punter proved it once again this weekend against Nevada. Araiza finished the game with five punts for an average of 55.6 yards. His long on the day was 62 yards.

This just adds to the impressive season that Araiza has had. He is breaking records for punter and is a legitimate weapon for the Aztecs. Araiza has an average of 52.2 yards per punt and has had two over 80 yards. With such an explosive leg, he is affectionately known as "Punt God". He should win the Ray Guy Award and could be drafted early with his ability to flip the field so well.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BEST BET

OKLAHOMA - 3½ Over Iowa St. by 11

The Iowa State Cyclones and Oklahoma Sooners meet Saturday in week 12 Big 12 college football action at Memorial Stadium. The Iowa State Cyclones look for a win after winning four of their last six games. The Oklahoma Sooners look for a win to build on their 9-1 record. The opening line was - 6 but it has plummeted down to - 3½ at FanDuel as of the time of this writing.

The Cyclones Brock Purdy is completing 73.4 percent of his passes for 2,441 yards, 15 touchdowns and 6 interceptions. Xavier Hutchinson and Charlie Kolar have combined for 1,304 receiving yards and 9 touchdowns, while Tarique Milton has 15 receptions. The Iowa State Cyclones ground game is averaging 169.3 yards per contest, and Breece Hall leads the way with 1,172 yards and 16 touchdowns. Defensively, Iowa State is allowing 20.5 points and 307.1 yards per game. Jake Hummel leads the Iowa State Cyclones with 67 tackles, Will McDonald IV has 10 sacks and Isheem Young has 2 interceptions.

Spencer Rattler is completing 74.7 percent of his passes for 1,474 yards, 11 touchdowns and 5 interceptions. Marvin Mims and Jadon Haselwood have combined for 989 receiving yards and 10 touchdowns, while Michael Woods II has 29 receptions. The Oklahoma Sooners ground game is averaging 172 yards per contest, and Kennedy Brooks leads the way with 853 yards and 10 touchdowns. Defensively, Oklahoma is allowing 24.5 points and 386.8 yards per game. Pat Fields leads the Oklahoma Sooners with 61 tackles, Nik Bonitto has 5 sacks and Delarrin Turner-Yell has 2

interceptions.

The Sooners are 3-7-1 ATS in their last 11 games in November and 5-2 ATS in their last 7 games following a ATS loss. The over is 5-2 in Cyclones last 7 games overall. The over is 5-2 in Sooners last 7 home games.

So what is driving this line so low? Just a few weeks ago everyone was touting the Sooners to be in the final four. Now their only a FG better than another Big 12 team. Well, we think we know why. Most likely it's their performance last week in scoring only 14 points as mentioned earlier. But there's also a lot of trends bettors out there and here's two that I'm sure swayed the public. The Cyclones are a strong 20-9-1 ATS in their last 30 games as an underdog. Add in the fact that the Cyclones are 5-1 ATS in their last 6 meetings against Oklahoma.

The Iowa State Cyclones have been fantastic in the underdog role and have proven they're capable of playing up to their competition. The Oklahoma Sooners were a fraudulent undefeated team before last week, and they got exposed a bit. With that said, we're not being asked to lay much with the Sooners at home, and they should be motivated after last week. In addition, the Iowa State Cyclones have lost three of their last four road games, are 1-4 ATS vs. a team with a winning record and the Oklahoma Sooners are 6-0 SU at home this season. The Iowa State Cyclones defense has also been shaky at best these last three weeks, something Oklahoma should be able to expose. **Lay the small chalk and take the Sooners to bounce back and cover.**

Projected Score: Oklahoma 35, Iowa State 24

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BEST BET

Virginia Tech + 7 Over MIAMI by 3

The Virginia Tech Hokies and Miami Hurricanes meet Saturday in week 12 ACC college football action at Hard Rock Stadium. The Virginia Tech Hokies look to get a game above a .500 record. The Miami Hurricanes also look for a win to improve to 6-5 on the year.

The Virginia Tech Hokies have lost two of their last three road games. Braxton Burmeister is completing 54.5 percent of his passes for 1,710 yards, 12 touchdowns and 4 interceptions. Tre Turner and Tayvion Robinson have combined for 1,076 receiving yards and 6 touchdowns, while Kaleb Smith has 18 receptions. The Virginia Tech Hokies ground game is averaging 174 yards per contest, and Raheem Blackshear leads the way with 542 yards and 5 touchdowns. Defensively, Virginia Tech is allowing 21.3 points and 371.6 yards per game. Nasir Peoples leads the Virginia Tech Hokies with 81 tackles, Dax Hollifield has 4.5 sacks and Jermaine Waller has 4 interceptions.

The Miami Hurricanes have won four of their last six home games. Tyler Van Dyke is completing 61.6 percent of his passes for 2,193 yards, 19 touchdowns and 6 interceptions. Charleston Rambo and Key'Shawn Smith have combined for 1,354 receiving yards and 8 touchdowns, while Mike Harley has 41 receptions. The Miami Hurricanes ground game is averaging 133.8 yards per contest, and Jaylan Knighton leads the way with 493 yards and 5 touchdowns. Defensively, Miami is allowing 30.5 points and 408.1 yards per game. Corey Flagg Jr. leads the Miami Hurricanes with 48 tackles, Zach McCloud has 4.5 sacks and James Williams has 2 interceptions.

The Hokies are 2-8 ATS in their last 10 road games and the Hurricanes are 2-8 ATS in their last 10 home games and 1-6 ATS in their last 7 games as a favorite. The Hokies are 7-3 ATS in their last 10 meetings in Miami. There's no way I'm going to lay a full touchdown when Miami still has issues running the ball and still doesn't play much defense. There's also rumblings that Miami will soon have coaching changes, and they already fired their AD. It's a complete mess right now in Miami Gardens. The Virginia Tech Hokies have their issues as well, but they're a physical team that controls the trenches, and they're 15th in pass defense, which counters Miami's best offensive option.

Take the Hokies + 7.

Projected Score: Virginia Tech 27, Miami 24

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BEST BET

LIBERTY - 4 Over Louisiana by 13

The Louisiana Ragin' Cajuns and the Liberty Flames meet Saturday in college football action from Williams Stadium. Louisiana is coming off a matchup versus Troy last weekend. In that one, the Cajuns won by two touchdowns. As for Liberty, they're coming off an open week. The Flames fell by 13 points to Ole Miss in their last outing.

Louisiana lost their opener to Texas, but then hit a nice winning streak. Over the next eight games, the Cajuns took out Nicholls State, Ohio, Georgia Southern, South Alabama, App state, Arkansas State, Texas State and Georgia State.

Last weekend versus Troy, the Cajuns had a slim one-point lead going into halftime. Louisiana was able to outscore the Trojans 21-8 from there in a 35-21 victory. QB Levi Lewis came up with 166 yards and three scores. Chris Smith rushed for 102 yards on 15 carries.

Over on the Liberty side, they won their first three games this year versus Campbell, Troy and Old Dominion before a loss to Syracuse. The Flames went 4-1 in the next five, losing to LA-Monroe and beating UAB, Middle Tennessee, North Texas and UMass otherwise.

The Flames took another loss to Ole Miss in their last appearance on November 6. Liberty fell behind 24-0 at the break and only scored during the third quarter. QB Malik Willis posted 173 yards and three interceptions, while Shedro Louis rushed for 101 yards and a TD on seven carries.

The Cajuns are 1-4 ATS in their last five on turf and 1-5 ATS in the last six road games. Louisiana is 0-4 ATS in their last four after an ATS win.

As for Louisiana, their rush game (204 yards) really helped out in the win over Troy this past weekend. The team came up with three turnovers on the other side as well. It was another solid victory.

Malik Willis had a rare poor game last week vs Ole Miss. But the Flames did some good things against Ole Miss in their last outing, like rushing for 284 yards, posting 30 first downs and notching 5.6 yards per play. Liberty held the Rebels to a tepid 20 first downs and 2-of-9 on third-down tries, but the three interceptions by Willis certainly didn't help matters.

The Flames have played a tougher schedule thus far. Louisiana is no pushover but are they strong enough to keep pace with the Flames. The Flames are a spectacular 8-0 ATS in their last eight at home and 11-2 ATS in their last 13 on turf. Liberty is 5-1 ATS in their last six in November. It's November, they're at home so **the play is Liberty - 4.**

Projected Score: Liberty 33. Louisiana 20

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BEST BET

MISSISSIPPI - 37 Over Vanderbilt by 50

The Vanderbilt Commodores and the Ole Miss Rebels meet Saturday in SEC college football action from Vaught-Hemingway Stadium. Vanderbilt is coming off a matchup versus Kentucky this past weekend. In that one the Commodores lost by 17 points. As for Ole Miss, they played Texas A&M in their last outing. The Rebels ended up powering out a 10-point win.

Vanderbilt went just 1-3 over their first three games this year with a lone win over Colorado State. After a win over UConn, the Commodores hit the skids with losses to Florida, South Carolina, MS State and Missouri.

In last Saturday's game versus Kentucky, the Commodores were down 31-3 heading into halftime. Vanderbilt allowed just three points from there but still lost 34-17. QB Ken Seals posted 87 pass

yards, and Patrick Smith had 84 rush yards from 18 carries.

Over on the Ole Miss side, they went 3-1 in their first four, falling to Alabama 42-21 on October 2. After wins over Arkansas, Tennessee and LSU, the Rebels fell to Auburn before a 27-14 win over Liberty in their first November game.

In the Texas A&M matchup, Ole Miss scored 14 fourth-quarter points to seal a nice 29-19 victory. QB Matt Corral put up 247 yards with a TD, and Jerrion Ealey led the rush with 152 yards from 24 carries. Jahcour Pearson caught five balls for 69 yards to top the receivers.

The Commodores are 6-1 ATS in their last seven in November and 5-1 ATS in their last six on grass. Vanderbilt is 6-2 ATS in their last eight road games. Meanwhile, the Rebels are 5-1-1 ATS in their last seven at home and 4-1 ATS in their last five overall. Ole Miss is 6-2 ATS in their last eight in November.

Vanderbilt, was only able to find 266 total yards, 4.5 yards per play and 16 first downs against Kentucky last week. The Commodores surrendered 236 rush yards and 7.1 yards per play to the Wildcats.

The Rebels did a nice job in their last outing versus a stout Texas A&M defense, posting 504 total yards, 32 first downs and just one turnover. Yes, this is a super large number to cover. The question is this .. will Ole Miss take their foot off the gas in the second half like Kentucky did last week? We think not because this is a great spot for Matt Corral to put himself on the top of the Heisman Trophy race. The Ole Miss rebels will tear through the Commodores like a bull in the china closet. We can see Matt Corral notching 400 passing yards in this game which will catapult him to the top of the Heisman Trophy race. **Take Ole Miss to score at will and cover this massive number.**

Projected Score: Mississippi 57, Vanderbilt 7

COLLEGE FOOTBALL BEST BET

Oklahoma St at TEXAS TECH Over 56 by 14

The Oklahoma State Cowboys and the Texas Tech Red Raiders meet Saturday in Big 12 college football action from Jones AT&T Stadium. Oklahoma State is fresh off a game versus TCU. In that one, the Cowboys took a blowout victory. As for Texas Tech, they played Iowa State in their last game. The Raiders ended up powering out a three-point win.

Oklahoma State won their first six games this year, beating Missouri State, Tulsa, Boise State, Kansas State, Baylor and Texas. After a loss to Iowa State, the Cowboys bounced back with wins over Kansas and West Virginia.

In the TCU game, the Cowboys scored 21 points in two different quarters, surging to a big 63-17 blowout win. QB Spencer Sanders managed 235 yards and a TD, but Dominic Richardson (134 yards; 2 TD) and Jaylen Warren (113 yards; 3 TD) did most of the work rushing.

Over on the Texas Tech side, they started out the year at 4-1 with a lone loss to Texas 70-35 as their only blemish. The Raiders would go 1-3 over their next four games however, losing to TCU, Kansas State and Oklahoma along the way.

Texas Tech played Iowa State this past weekend. The Raiders were outscored 24-10 in the second half but still managed to eke out a 41-38 victory. QB Donovan Smith finished with 322 yards, three TDs and a pick. Tahj Brooks added 80 rush yards and a score on nine carries.

OK State is 8-0 ATS in their last eight overall and 8-0 ATS in their last eight conference games. The Cowboys are 6-0 ATS in their last six road games.

Meanwhile, the Raiders are 3-1-1 ATS in their last five on turf and 1-3-1 ATS in their last five after a straight-up win. Texas Tech is 0-4-1 ATS in their last five after an ATS win.

The Cowboys put on an offensive clinic versus an over matched TCU in their last game. OK State finished with 682 total yards (447 rush yards), 7.8 yards per play, 37 first downs and a nice 11-of-15 on third-down tries. The two fumbles were the only real blemish. As for Texas Tech, they did plenty to bag their win. The Raiders finished with 529 total yards and 23 first downs.

If Oklahoma State is rolling on offense even close to like they were last week, and Texas Tech keeps scoring as usual, this game is going to fly over the posted total of 56. **Take Over 56.**

Projected Score: Oklahoma St. 40, Texas Tech 30

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NFL Landscape

Backing Bucs A Losing Wager

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Detroit Lions have written the most intriguing NFL betting storyline of the 2021 season.

Let's begin with the defending Super Bowl champions. Tampa Bay had just one loss between Nov. 30, 2020 and Oct. 30, 2021. Since Halloween, Tom Brady was toppled by Trevor Siemian and the Saints, had a week off, and then lost to Taylor Heinicke and the Washington Football Team on Sunday 29-19.

NFL odds have favored Tampa Bay each week this season. The Buccaneers have been carrying some hefty point spreads. Tampa Bay is 6-3 overall but just 3-6 ATS. Tampa Bay, -9.5 in Week 10, has been an average 8-point favorite this season, while averaging a +8.3 point differential. Numerically, they could be 9-0 ATS.

Of course, not all games are equal. The only three covers for Tampa Bay this season at betting sites and sportsbooks were on lines of 13, 11 and 12 points. Those games were won by 23, 28 and 35 points. They came against Atlanta, Chicago and Miami. Teams with a combined record of 10-18.

The Saints and Washington gave Tampa Bay trouble in the postseason last year. Washington covered a 10-point line in the first round. The Bucs were underdogs in their final three postseason games last year on the way to winning the Super Bowl.

Backing Lions A Winning Wager

The Lions faithful cashed their "won't go 0-17 tickets" Sunday night. Detroit tied the Steelers (without Ben Roethlisberger) in Pittsburgh 16-16. The Lions were getting 9.5 points when the line was first posted, but the line moved to 6 at kickoff after word that the vaccinated Big Ben tested positive for COVID-19 and would miss the game.

The Lions are 0-8-1 overall, but they roared to 5-4 ATS with their Week 10 cover. They've been double-digit underdogs three times this season, and covered twice on those games. They've lost a pair of games on last-second field goals, including a 19-17 decision to Baltimore that concluded with the longest field goal in NFL history, a 66-yard nuclear strike off the foot of Justin Tucker. Watch the total, as well. The Lions are 6-3 on the under.

Any explanation?

"The power ratings on both teams have been pretty accurate, but Tampa has found itself in some close games to some opponents and even lost to some opponents that are definitely inferior teams (Washington, New Orleans just the last two weeks). The Lions have stayed in a number of games this year, which has allowed them to cover as a dog.

The public has taken notice. If you simply bet the Lions ATS and the under on their nine games, you'd be 11-7. Not bad for a team that hasn't won a game in 344 days.

Although the Lions haven't won a game yet, they continue to prove oddsmakers wrong by keeping games close. On the other hand, the Bucs have been a bit inconsistent this year and it's tough to tell which team we will be getting from week to week.

These teams offer two important lessons for bettors:

1. Don't be enamored with superstars.
2. Look for value everywhere, even in Detroit.

Books Finish In Black In Week 10

The betting public was heavily invested in Brady and the Buccaneers coming off their bye week. It was also the first time that bettors over 21 located in Florida had the chance to legally wager live on the Super Bowl 55 champs. Mobile sports betting in the nation's third-most populous state began on Nov. 1, when the Seminole Tribe-backed Hard Rock Sportsbook app was launched.

The public was pulled underwater on the week due to the Bucs' loss, leaving the books in the black.

Five underdogs covered against strong public sentiment, according to our consensus analysis of the action at Caesars, BetMGM, bet365, Resorts, PointsBet, SugarHouse, 888, FOX Bet and DraftKings:

Game	Favorite	Sentiment	Result
TB at WAS	TB -9.5	79%	WAS, 29-19
BAL at MIA	BAL -7.5	79%	MIA, 22-10
PHI at DEN	DEN -2.5	62%	PHI, 30-13
MIN at LAC	LAC -2.5	59%	MIN, 27-20
LAR at SF	LAR -4	90%	SFO 31-10

"It was another good week of NFL for the house. We took some bigger bets on Cleveland, so the Patriots winning that game was the biggest decision of the day for us. It also helped when Tampa lost outright which eliminated so many teasers and money line parlays. We kept that number at Tampa -9.5 all week so that kept a lot of Washington money away but eliminating all the parlay and teaser liability was huge," an anonymous vegas sportsbook director said.

The Bucs loss boosted the bottom line at WynnBET, as well. There, the book carried significant liability on the Jets money line at +475 (no problems there) and the Panthers spread at +10. The book clawed much of that back on the Panthers winning outright. It also saw strong action on the Falcons – Cowboys (-8), where Dallas rolled to an easy 43-3 cover.

"It was a solid Sunday overall. Obviously, the Bucs losing to Washington outright took care of some money line parlays. The Panthers outright was a great result for us as well," said WynnBET Senior Trading Manager Alan Berg.

Chiefs In First After Rare Cover

Is it finally safe to back the Chiefs again? The Kansas City Chiefs (-2.5) rolled through Las Vegas Sunday night like Elvis on amphetamines. Patrick Mahomes II found his groove with 405 yards passing and 5 TDs just off The Strip at Allegiant Stadium. The Chiefs romped 41-14. Kansas City was the lone AFC West team to win on Sunday and emerged in first place in the division at 6-4, after being at the bottom of the standings just two weeks ago. The outcome marked just the fifth time in 21 games – including the postseason – in which the favored Chiefs covered.

This game was a two-way play for the public. Kansas City held a 56-44 consensus edge on the spread. The line shrunk from Kansas City -9 at the open to -2.5 after the Chiefs had struggled at home against Green Bay in Week 9.

"Bounce-Back Weekend" - Update

Underdogs have covered in nine of the 14 games played in Week 10. After 149 games in 2021, underdogs hold an overall 86-62-1 (58%) edge ATS. The Bills and Cowboys bounced back in Week 10 for easy covers after outright losses.

Aaron Rodgers and the Packers shut out Russell Wilson for the first time in his NFL career. Rodgers missed Week 9 with COVID but has covered in his past nine starts. The Packers are 9-1 ATS this season and 12-2 in their last 14 games.

PRO FOOTBALL BEST BET

New England - 6½ Over Atlanta by 13 **Thursday Night**

The New England Patriots and Atlanta Falcons meet Thursday in week 11 NFL action at Mercedes-Benz Stadium. The New England Patriots look to build on their four-game winning streak. The Atlanta Falcons need a win to get back to a .500 record.

The New England Patriots have won all four road games this season. Mac Jones is completing 69 percent of his passes for 2,333 yards, 13 touchdowns and 7 interceptions. Jakobi Meyers and Kendrick Bourne have combined for 1,003 receiving yards and 4 touchdowns, while Nelson Agholor has 24 receptions. The New England Patriots ground game is averaging 114.5 yards per contest, and Damien Harris leads the way with 547 yards and 7 touchdowns. Defensively, New England is allowing 17.7 points and 328 yards per game. Kyle Dugger leads the New England Patriots with 64 tackles, Matt Judon has 9.5 sacks and J.C. Jackson has 5 interceptions.

Matt Ryan is completing 67.7 percent of his passes for 2,274 yards, 15 touchdowns and 8 interceptions. Kyle Pitts and Cordarrelle Patterson have combined for 1,079 receiving yards and 6 touchdowns, while Calvin Ridley has 31 receptions. The Atlanta Falcons ground game is averaging 82.9 yards per contest, and Patterson leads the way with 303 yards and 2 touchdowns. Defensively, Atlanta is allowing 29.2 points and 368.3 yards per game. Foyesade Oluokun leads the Atlanta Falcons with 100 tackles, Dante Fowler Jr. has 2 sacks and Jaylinn Hawkins has 2 interceptions.

The Patriots are 5-2 ATS in their last 7 Thursday games and 4-0 ATS in their last 4 games overall. The Falcons are 1-5 ATS in their last 6 games on grass and 7-3 ATS in their last 10 games following a ATS loss. The over is 5-1 in Patriots last 6 games overall. The under is 5-0 in Falcons last 5 Thursday games.

The Patriots are 4-0 ATS in their last 4 meetings in Atlanta and 6-0 ATS in their last 6 meetings. The Atlanta Falcons have lost all three home games this season.

The New England Patriots have caught fire out of nowhere, and they're led by a top-10 scoring offense and the second best scoring defense. The Atlanta Falcons have major issues on both sides of the ball, as they can't run the ball and their defense is 31st in scoring defense. We just saw the Falcons get torched last week by the Cowboys, and they're averaging just 14.3 points in their last three games. I can't back the Falcons with any confidence. **I'll lay the touchdown with the Patriots.**
Projected Score: New England 30, Atlanta 17

PRO FOOTBALL BEST BET

San Francisco - 5½ Over Jacksonville by 14

The San Francisco 49ers and the Jacksonville Jaguars meet Sunday in NFL action from EverBank Field. San Francisco is fresh off a Monday night game versus the Rams. In that one the 49ers posted a 21-point win. As for Jacksonville, they played the Colts in their last appearance. The Jaguars lost that one by six points.

San Francisco won their first couple of games this year, then hit a losing streak versus the Packers, Seahawks, Cardinals and Colts. The 49ers then took out the Bears 33-22 and lost to the Cardinals 31-17.

In Monday's matchup versus the Rams, the 49ers scored 21 points in the first half on the way to a 31-10 victory. QB Jimmy Garoppolo put up 182 yards with two scores and Eli Mitchell led the rush with 91 yards on 27 carries.

Over on the Jaguars' side, their year opened up with losses to the Texans, Broncos, Cardinals,

Bengals and Titans. Jacksonville went 2-2 over their next four, beating Miami and Buffalo while otherwise falling to the Seahawks and Colts.

In the 23-17 loss to Indianapolis last weekend, the Jaguars outscored the Colts 8-3 in the final quarter but couldn't bridge the gap. QB Trevor Lawrence put up 162 yards passing, and Jamal Agnew rushed three times for 79 yards and a touchdown. Jacksonville came up with just 15 first downs and a 5-of-15 mark on third-down tries, along with eight penalties and a lost fumble.

As for San Francisco, they had a quality game versus the Rams on Monday and have scored over 30 points in each of their last two games. Offensively the 49ers put up 335 total yards with a solid 8-of-14 on third-down tries. There are a few things to clean up however, but they should be able to get right against a sloppy Jacksonville squad. I know it's a short week and that's a concern, but it feels like the Niners are on the upswing. **Take the Niners against the spread.**

Projected Score: San Francisco 31, Jacksonville 17

PRO FOOTBALL BEST BET

Arizona - 2 Over SEATTLE by 10 & Under 50 by 12

The Arizona Cardinals and Seattle Seahawks meet Sunday in week 11 NFL action at Lumen Field. The Arizona Cardinals look for a win after splitting their last four games. The Seattle Seahawks need a win after losing four of their last five games.

Cards QB Kyler Murray is completing 72.7 percent of his passes for 2,276 yards, 17 touchdowns and 7 interceptions. DeAndre Hopkins and Christian Kirk have combined for 1,089 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns, while AJ Green has 30 receptions. The Arizona Cardinals ground game is averaging 125.8 yards per contest, and James Conner leads the way with 493 yards and 11 touchdowns. Defensively, Arizona is allowing 18.9 points and 323 yards per game. Jordan Hicks leads the Arizona Cardinals with 74 tackles, Markus Golden has 9 sacks and Byron Murphy Jr. has 3 interceptions.

The Seattle Seahawks have lost three of their last four home games. Russell Wilson is completing 66.7 percent of his passes for 1,357 yards, 10 touchdowns and 3 interceptions. DK Metcalf and Tyler Lockett have combined for 1,208 receiving yards and 11 touchdowns, while Gerald Everett has 22 receptions. The Seattle Seahawks ground game is averaging 99.8 yards per contest, and Alex Collins leads the way with 345 yards and 2 touchdowns. Defensively, Seattle is allowing 20.7 points and 400.6 yards per game. Bobby Wagner leads the Seattle Seahawks with 101 tackles, Darrell Taylor has 4 sacks and Quandre Diggs has 3 interceptions.

It will obviously be helpful to know if Murray and Hopkins are going to play for the Cardinals before locking in a bet. As of the writing, that's an unknown but we're handicapping as if Murray is playing. I'm assuming both will be cleared, given that the Cards are favored.

The Seattle Seahawks are a complete mess right now, ranked 30th in total offense, 22nd in scoring offense and 31st in total defense. The Seahawks were just shutout last week. The Seahawks also aren't having the same success at home that we're used to seeing.

The Cardinals are 18-7-3 ATS in their last 28 road games and 6-2 ATS in their last 8 games overall. The Arizona Cardinals have won all five road games this season.

The under is 10-3 in Cardinals last 13 road games. The under is 15-3 in Seahawks last 18 games overall. The Seahawks are 1-4 ATS in their last 5 games in November. The Cardinals are 5-1 ATS in their last 6 meetings in Seattle and 6-2-1 ATS in their last 9 meetings. Best way to play this is with an "IF" PLAY. Based on the Seahawks sputtering offense **I'll take under 50.** Assuming the Cardinals have their stars back on offense, **I'll gladly lay the points here. So take the under and take Arizona - 2 (only if Murray starts at QB for the Cardinals).**

Projected Score: Arizona 24, Seattle 14

PRO FOOTBALL BEST BET

LAS VEGAS + 1 & 49 Over Cincinnati by 7 & Over 49 by 12

The Cincinnati Bengals and the Las Vegas Raiders meet in week 11 NFL action from Allegiant Stadium on Sunday afternoon.

The Cincinnati Bengals come into this game looking to rebound from a 41-16 loss to Cleveland in their last game. Joe Burrow has thrown for 2,497 yards, 20 touchdowns and 11 interceptions on 68.2% passing while Joe Mixon leads Cincy with 636 rushing yards and 7 TDs. Ja'Marr Chase has a team-high 44 grabs for 835 yards and 7 scores while Tee Higgins and Tyler Boyd each have 400+ receiving yards as well this season. On defense, Logan Wilson leads the Bengals with 78 total tackles and 4 interceptions while Sam Hubbard has 5 sacks this season.

The Las Vegas Raiders will look to bounce back from a 41-14 loss to the Kansas City Chiefs in primetime last time out. Derek Carr's thrown for 2,826 yards, 15 touchdowns and 9 interceptions on 67.7% passing while Josh Jacobs and Kenyan Drake have combined to rush for 504 yards and 7 touchdowns. Darren Waller and Hunter Renfrow each have 494 receiving yards with a combined 6 touchdowns while Bryan Edwards has 434 receiving yards as well this season. On defense, Denzel Perryman leads Las Vegas with 102 total tackles while Maxx Crosby has 5 sacks this season.

Cincinnati is 4-1 ATS in their last 5 games following a loss and 2-6 ATS in their last 8 games as a favorite while the over is 14-6-1 in their last 21 games against the AFC. Las Vegas is 5-2 ATS in their last 7 games as an underdog while the over is 11-0-1 in their last 12 games as a home underdog.

Everything points to the over here. Both teams gave up exactly 41 points in their last game so obviously their stop units are suspect. The Bengals and this offense have been solid all season long, while the Raiders also have a dynamic offense led by Derek Carr and his solid array of weapons.

Take the home team side and the over in what will be a high scoring game.

Projected Score: LA Raiders 34, Cincinnati 27

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