

THE PLATINUM SHEET

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One of the resources utilized by handicappers is the public betting information offered by a variety of sources. Leading the way is Sportsbook.com, which offers up this data on both its .net and .com Web sites. Boasting massive sports betting customer databases, Sportsbook.com is able to present statistics that are accurately reflective of public sentiment, and hence useful to the handicapper studying them. These betting trends tell what percentage of bets is being placed on each side of a point spread and total.

This data can be used to profit from. Most "sharps," when given the option, choose to be on the side of the bookmaker, or opposite that of the betting public. However, that side doesn't always win, and some bettors believe in the theory that there is "strength in numbers"—that group would rather follow the big money. By following these betting trends consistently, you'll be able to form your own opinion. Here's a look at some of this week's college football line movement and betting trends so that you can see which way the public is leaning heading into the weekend.

BETTING TRENDS KEY: Open = Opening Line Current = Current Line Side = % of bets on each side of line Total = Top line = % of bets on over

10/05/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
309 PITTSBURGH	-3	58½	49%	82%
310 SYRACUSE	57	-1½	51%	18%

10/05/2012 10:15 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
311 UTAH STATE	45	45½	59%	23%
312 BYU	-7	-7	41%	77%

10/06/2012 12:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
315 MICHIGAN STATE	-14½	-14	79%	22%
316 INDIANA	48	48	21%	78%

10/06/2012 3:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
317 NORTHERN ILLINOIS	-1½	-2½	79%	31%
318 BALL STATE	67½	66½	21%	69%

10/06/2012 12:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
319 BOSTON COLLEGE	-9½	-9½	83%	72%
320 ARMY	57½	57	17%	28%

10/06/2012 3:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
325 GEORGIA TECH	74	74	28%	85%
326 CLEMSON	-10½	-10½	72%	15%

10/06/2012 12:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
331 NORTHWESTERN	48	47½	75%	71%
332 PENN STATE	-3½	-2	25%	29%

10/06/2012 12:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
335 CONNECTICUT	40½	40	63%	57%
336 RUTGERS	-10	-7	37%	43%

10/06/2012 8:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
337 FLORIDA STATE	-13	-17	79%	76%
338 NORTH CAROLINA STATE	55	54½	21%	24%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
341 VANDERBILT	45½	44	45%	26%
342 MISSOURI	-7½	-7	55%	74%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
343 TEXAS A&M	-9½	-12½	86%	84%
344 OLE MISS	65½	65½	14%	16%

10/06/2012 12:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
345 VIRGINIA TECH	49½	50½	60%	83%
346 NORTH CAROLINA	-3½	-5½	40%	17%

10/06/2012 10:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
347 WASHINGTON	65½	65	50%	46%
348 OREGON	-24½	-25	50%	54%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
349 GEORGIA	56½	53½	57%	42%
350 SOUTH CAROLINA	-2½	-1	43%	58%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
351 WEST VIRGINIA	75	74	76%	78%
352 TEXAS	-7	-6½	24%	22%

10/06/2012 3:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
353 IOWA STATE	45½	41½	81%	55%
354 TCU	-12	-7	19%	45%

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355 ILLINOIS	47½	45½	19%	26%
356 WISCONSIN	-14½	-14	81%	74%

10/06/2012 12:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
361 ARKANSAS	54½	55½	37%	32%
362 AUBURN	-10½	-8½	63%	68%

10/06/2012 4:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
363 MICHIGAN	-3	-3	81%	58%
364 PURDUE	57½	58½	19%	42%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
365 WYOMING	68	68½	21%	17%
366 NEVADA	-15	-17	79%	83%

10/06/2012 3:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
371 OKLAHOMA	-4½	-5	80%	20%
372 TEXAS TECH	58½	57	20%	80%

10/06/2012 12:20 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
381 MISSISSIPPI STATE	-14½	-10	86%	72%
382 KENTUCKY	46½	46	14%	28%

10/06/2012 7:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
385 UNLV	68½	69½	23%	55%
386 LOUISIANA TECH	-25½	-27	77%	45%

10/06/2012 7:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
389 MIAMI FLORIDA	51½	53½	62%	79%
390 NOTRE DAME	-15½	-14	38%	21%

10/06/2012 8:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
393 NEBRASKA	58	57	31%	51%
394 OHIO STATE	-5	-3½	69%	49%

10/06/2012 3:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
399 LSU	-3	-2½	48%	24%
400 FLORIDA	44½	42½	52%	76%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
411 ATLANTA FALCONS	-3	-3	82%	85%
412 WASHINGTON REDSKINS	50½	51	18%	15%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
413 PHILADELPHIA EAGLES	44	43	37%	69%
414 PITTSBURGH STEELERS	-3½	-3½	63%	31%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
415 GREEN BAY PACKERS	-7	-7	44%	79%
416 INDIANAPOLIS COLTS	47½	47½	56%	21%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
417 CLEVELAND BROWNS	44	44	64%	69%
418 NEW YORK GIANTS	-10	-8½	36%	31%

10/07/2012 4:25 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
419 TENNESSEE TITANS	45	44	20%	81%
420 MINNESOTA VIKINGS	-6	-6	80%	19%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
421 MIAMI DOLPHINS	43	45	34%	52%
422 CINCINNATI BENGALS	-5½	-3½	66%	48%

10/07/2012 1:00 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
423 BALTIMORE RAVENS	-6	-6½	69%	83%
424 KANSAS CITY CHIEFS	46	46½	31%	17%

10/07/2012 4:05 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
425 SEATTLE SEAHAWKS	44	43½	23%	21%
426 CAROLINA PANTHERS	-2	-3	77%	79%

10/07/2012 4:05 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
427 CHICAGO BEARS	-3½	-5	76%	64%
428 JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS	40½	41	24%	36%

10/07/2012 4:25 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
429 DENVER BRONCOS	51½	52	62%	83%
430 NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	-7	-6½	38%	17%

10/07/2012 4:25 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
431 BUFFALO BILLS	43½	44½	18%	75%
432 SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS	-10	-10	82%	25%

10/07/2012 8:30 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
433 SAN DIEGO CHARGERS	52	54	36%	54%
434 NEW ORLEANS SAINTS	-3	-3½	64%	46%

10/08/2012 8:35 PM EDT	Open	Current	Side	Total
435 HOUSTON TEXANS	-7	-9	92%	76%
436 NEW YORK JETS	40½	41½	8%	24%


PRESENTS THE WEEK'S STAFF PICKS
WEEK 6 COLLEGE FOOTBALL MATCHUPS: OCT. 5 - 6

		StatFox DAVE	StatFox GARY	StatFox SCOTT	StatFox BRIAN	StatFox FORECASTER	StatFox CONSENSUS
• (309) PITTSBURGH at (310) SYRACUSE	-1½	PITTSBURGH	SYRACUSE	BEST BET *	PITTSBURGH	PITTSBURGH	PITTSBURGH
• (311) UTAH STATE at (312) BYU	-7	UTAH STATE	BYU	UTAH STATE	UTAH STATE	BYU	UTAH STATE
• (325) GEORGIA TECH at (326) CLEMSON	-10½	GEORGIA TECH	BEST BET *	CLEMSON	GEORGIA TECH	GEORGIA TECH	GEORGIA TECH
• (345) VIRGINIA TECH at (346) NORTH CAROLINA	-5½	VIRGINIA TECH	NORTH CAROLINA	NORTH CAROLINA	BEST BET *	NORTH CAROLINA	NORTH CAROLINA
• (347) WASHINGTON at (348) OREGON	-25	OREGON	OREGON	OREGON	OREGON	WASHINGTON	OREGON
• (349) GEORGIA at (350) SOUTH CAROLINA	-1	SOUTH CAROLINA	SOUTH CAROLINA	SOUTH CAROLINA	GEORGIA	SOUTH CAROLINA	SOUTH CAROLINA
• (351) WEST VIRGINIA at (352) TEXAS	-6½	WEST VIRGINIA	TEXAS	WEST VIRGINIA	BEST BET *	WEST VIRGINIA	WEST VIRGINIA
• (355) ILLINOIS at (356) WISCONSIN	-14	WISCONSIN	ILLINOIS	WISCONSIN	ILLINOIS	WISCONSIN	WISCONSIN
• (361) ARKANSAS at (362) AUBURN	-8½	ARKANSAS	AUBURN	AUBURN	BEST BET *	ARKANSAS	
• (363) MICHIGAN at (364) PURDUE	+3	MICHIGAN	MICHIGAN	BEST BET *	MICHIGAN	MICHIGAN	MICHIGAN
• (389) MIAMI FLORIDA at (390) NOTRE DAME	-14	BEST BET *	MIAMI FLORIDA	BEST BET *	MIAMI FLORIDA	MIAMI FLORIDA	MIAMI FLORIDA
• (393) NEBRASKA at (394) OHIO STATE	-3½	BEST BET *	OHIO STATE	OHIO STATE	OHIO STATE	NEBRASKA	OHIO STATE
• (399) LSU at (400) FLORIDA	+2½	FLORIDA	LSU	LSU	BEST BET *	LSU	LSU

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WEEK 5 NFL MATCHUPS: OCTOBER 7 - 8

** [NOTE: FORECASTER AGREES WITH 3-POINT SPREAD IN ATL/WAS GAME]

		StatFox DAVE	StatFox GARY	StatFox SCOTT	StatFox BRIAN	StatFox FORECASTER	StatFox CONSENSUS
• (411) ATLANTA at (412) WASHINGTON	+3	WASHINGTON	ATLANTA	ATLANTA	BEST BET *	[No Pick]**	
• (413) PHILADELPHIA at (414) PITTSBURGH	-3½	BEST BET *	PITTSBURGH	BEST BET *	PITTSBURGH	PHILADELPHIA	
• (415) GREEN BAY at (416) INDIANAPOLIS	+7	GREEN BAY	GREEN BAY	GREEN BAY	GREEN BAY	INDIANAPOLIS	GREEN BAY
• (417) CLEVELAND at (418) NEW YORK GIANTS	-8½	NEW YORK GIANTS	CLEVELAND	NEW YORK GIANTS	CLEVELAND	NEW YORK GIANTS	NEW YORK GIANTS
• (419) TENNESSEE at (420) MINNESOTA	-6	BEST BET *	TENNESSEE	TENNESSEE	BEST BET *	TENNESSEE	TENNESSEE
• (421) MIAMI at (422) CINCINNATI	-3½	BEST BET *	MIAMI	BEST BET *	MIAMI	MIAMI	MIAMI
• (423) BALTIMORE at (424) KANSAS CITY	+6½	BALTIMORE	KANSAS CITY	KANSAS CITY	BEST BET *	BALTIMORE	
• (425) SEATTLE at (426) CAROLINA	-3	BEST BET *	SEATTLE	CAROLINA	CAROLINA	SEATTLE	
• (427) CHICAGO at (428) JACKSONVILLE	+5	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE	JACKSONVILLE
• (429) DENVER at (430) NEW ENGLAND	-6½	NEW ENGLAND	BEST BET *	DENVER	DENVER	NEW ENGLAND	
• (431) BUFFALO at (432) SAN FRANCISCO	-10	SAN FRANCISCO	SAN FRANCISCO	SAN FRANCISCO	BEST BET *	SAN FRANCISCO	SAN FRANCISCO
• (433) SAN DIEGO at (434) NEW ORLEANS	-3½	BEST BET *	SAN DIEGO	BEST BET *	NEW ORLEANS	NEW ORLEANS	
• (435) HOUSTON at (436) NEW YORK JETS	+9	HOUSTON	NEW YORK JETS	NEW YORK JETS	NEW YORK JETS	NEW YORK JETS	NEW YORK JETS

KEY WEEK 5 NFL INJURIES

ATLANTA WR Julio Jones (lacerated hand) will start on Sunday . . . **GREEN BAY** WR Greg Jennings (groin) has been ruled out for Week 5 . . . **INDIANAPOLIS** TE Coby Fleener (head) was able to practice fully on Thursday and should play in Week 5 . . . **CLEVELAND** WR Josh Cribbs (concussion) was able to fully participate in Thursday's practice and should return to action on Sunday . . . **N.Y. GIANTS** WR Hakeem Nicks (foot, knee) has been ruled out for Week 5, and will be replaced in the starting lineup by Domenik Hixon . . . **TENNESSEE** QB Jake Locker (shoulder) will not play on Sunday, as Matt Hasselbeck will start under center. He may not have the services of WR Kenny Britt (ankle) who missed practice on Thursday. TE Jared Cook (shoulder) is also hurting, but is expected to start on Sunday . . . **MINNESOTA** QB Christian Ponder (hip) has not been practicing fully, but is expected to start against Tennessee. WR Michael Jenkins (ribs) practiced on a limited basis Thursday, and expects to play on Sunday . . . **MIAMI** RB Reggie Bush (knee, hip) practiced fully on Thursday and the team expects him to start on Sunday . . . **BALTIMORE** WR Torrey Smith (ankle) was able to practice fully on Thursday and will start this weekend . . . **KANSAS CITY** RB Peyton Hillis (ankle) did not practice Thursday and is not expected to play in Week 5 . . . **CHICAGO** RB Matt Forte (ankle) practiced on a limited basis on Thursday, but says he will play this week. Earl Bennett (hand) did not practice fully on Thursday and is questionable for Week 5 . . . **JACKSONVILLE** WR Laurent Robinson (concussion) hasn't practiced in two days and is doubtful to play in Week 5 . . . **NEW ENGLAND** RB Brandon Bolden (knee) was limited in practice on Thursday, but expects to play versus Denver . . . **SAN DIEGO** K Nate Kaeding (groin) is doubtful for Sunday night's game. Nick Novak will replace Kaeding . . . **NEW ORLEANS** WR Lance Moore (hamstring) did not practice Thursday and is questionable for Sunday's game . . . **HOUSTON** WR Andre Johnson (groin) and TE Owen Daniels (thigh) both practiced on a limited basis Thursday, but both players are expected to start on Monday night . . . **N.Y. JETS** WR Santonio Holmes (Lisfranc foot injury) has been placed on I.R., ending his 2012 season.