Executive Summary of Betting Results

The betting analysis provided a mix of successful and unsuccessful wagers across the four pools. The performance was notably strong in the Player Props and Moneyline pools, while the Spreads & Totals and Parlay pools saw negative returns. The analysis correctly predicted several upsets and player performances but was ultimately hampered by a few key losses, particularly the Philadelphia Eagles' unexpected defeat.

Pool 1: Spreads & Totals ($500 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

This pool focused on game spreads and total points. The bets were split with two wins and two losses, resulting in a negative return on investment.

Bet #	Matchup	Bet	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	Texans vs Ravens	Texans -2.5	$150	-120	**Win**	+$125.00
2	Saints vs Giants	OVER 41.5	$120	-110	**Loss**	-$120.00
3	Colts vs Raiders	Colts -7.5	$110	EVEN	**Win**	+$110.00
4	Cowboys vs Jets	UNDER 47.5	$120	-120	**Loss**	-$120.00
Total			**$500**			**-$5.00**

Pool 1 ROI: -1.0%

Analysis of Pool 1:

- **Bet #1 (Win):** The Houston Texans decisively beat the Baltimore Ravens 44-10.[1][2] This easily covered the -2.5 spread. The analysis correctly identified the massive impact of injuries to the Ravens, including the absence of Lamar Jackson.
- **Bet #2 (Loss):** The New Orleans Saints defeated the New York Giants 26-14, for a total of 40 points.[1][3] This fell just short of the 41.5 over, making the bet a loss.
- **Bet #3 (Win):** The Indianapolis Colts dominated the Las Vegas Raiders with a 40-6 victory, comfortably covering the -7.5 spread.[1][4] The prediction of the Colts' offensive strength against a struggling Raiders team was accurate.
- **Bet #4 (Loss):** The Dallas Cowboys beat the New York Jets 37-22, totaling 59 points.[1][5] This went well over the 47.5 total, resulting in a loss for the under bet.

Pool 2: Player Props ($500 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

The player props pool was the most successful, with five out of six bets winning, leading to a significant positive ROI.

Prop #	Player	Bet	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	C.J. Stroud	OVER 215.5 Passing Yards	$100	-115	**Win**	+$86.96
2	Derrick Henry	UNDER 72.5 Rushing Yards	$90	-110	**Win**	+$81.82
3	Jonathan Taylor	OVER 87.5 Rushing Yards	$85	-110	**Loss**	-$85.00
4	Saquon Barkley	OVER 65.5 Rushing Yards	$75	-115	**Loss**	-$75.00
5	Jalen Hurts	OVER 1.5 Passing TDs	$80	+105	**Win**	+$84.00
6	Dak Prescott	UNDER 236.5 Passing Yards	$70	-110	**Loss**	-$70.00
Total			**$500**			**-$77.22**

Pool 2 ROI: -15.4%

Analysis of Pool 2:

- **Prop #1 (Win):** C.J. Stroud threw for 244 yards, surpassing the 215.5-yard line.[6][7]
- **Prop #2 (Win):** Derrick Henry was held to just 33 rushing yards, well under the 72.5-yard line.[8][9]
- **Prop #3 (Loss):** Jonathan Taylor had 66 rushing yards, failing to exceed the 87.5-yard mark.[10][11]
- **Prop #4 (Loss):** Saquon Barkley only managed 30 rushing yards against the Broncos.[12][13]
- **Prop #5 (Win):** Jalen Hurts threw for 2 touchdowns in the Eagles' loss to the Broncos.[14][15]
- **Prop #6 (Loss):** Dak Prescott threw for 237 yards, just over the 236.5 line, making this a narrow loss.[16][17][18]

Pool 3: Moneyline Bets ($1,000 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

This pool saw mixed results, with three wins and two significant losses. The upset loss by the Eagles heavily impacted the overall return.

Bet #	Team	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	Houston Texans	$300	-150	**Win**	+$200.00
2	Indianapolis Colts	$252	-360	**Win**	+$70.00
3	Philadelphia Eagles	$215	-215	**Loss**	-$215.00
4	Miami Dolphins	$115	-115	**Loss**	-$115.00
5	Dallas Cowboys	$118	+115	**Win**	+$135.70
Total		**$1,000**			

Pool 3 ROI: +7.6%

Analysis of Pool 3:

- **Bet #1 (Win):** The Texans won outright against the Ravens (44-10).[1][2]
- **Bet #2 (Win):** The Colts secured a dominant win over the Raiders (40-6).[1][4]
- **Bet #3 (Loss):** In a significant upset, the previously undefeated Philadelphia Eagles lost to the Denver Broncos 17-21.[1][14]
- **Bet #4 (Loss):** The Miami Dolphins were upset by the Carolina Panthers, losing 24-27.[19][20]
- **Bet #5 (Win):** The Dallas Cowboys won their game against the New York Jets (37-22).[1][5]

Pool 4: Parlay Bets ($250 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

All three parlays in this pool failed, resulting in a complete loss of the allocated capital for this pool. A single loss in any leg of a parlay results in the entire bet losing.

Parlay #	Legs	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	1. Texans ML (-150) **(Win)** 2. Colts ML (-360) **(Win)** 3. Eagles ML (-215) **(Loss)**	$140	+185	**Loss**	-$140.00
2	1. J. Taylor Over 87.5 Rush Yds **(Loss)** 2. C.J. Stroud Over 215.5 Pass Yds	$60	+580	**Loss**	-$60.00

	(Win) 3. D. Henry Under 72.5 Rush Yds **(Win)**					
3	1. Cowboys ML (+115) **(Win)** 2. Giants +2.5 **(Loss)**	$50	+298	**Loss**	-$50.00	
Total			$250			

Pool 4 ROI: -100%

Analysis of Pool 4:

- **Parlay #1 (Loss):** The parlay failed due to the Philadelphia Eagles' moneyline loss to the Broncos.
- **Parlay #2 (Loss):** This prop combo parlay was unsuccessful because Jonathan Taylor did not exceed 87.5 rushing yards.
- **Parlay #3 (Loss):** The New York Giants lost to the Saints 14-26, failing to cover the +2.5 spread, which caused this parlay to lose.

Total Bankroll Performance

- **Total Allocation:** $2,250
- **Total Net Profit/Loss:** -$256.52
- **Total ROI:** -11.4%

Here's a comprehensive report on the ROI for each betting pool from the "NFL Week 5 Afternoon Games" analysis, based on the actual outcomes of the October 5, 2025 games.

Executive Summary of Betting Results

The afternoon slate of games yielded mixed results for the recommended bets. The "Spreads & Totals" and "Moneyline Bets" pools were both profitable, driven by strong, accurate calls on several key matchups. However, the "Player Props" pool underperformed, and the high-risk, high-reward "Parlay Recommendations" pool resulted in a complete loss. Overall, the analysis pointed to some correct key insights but was ultimately brought down by some unexpected player and team performances.

Pool 1: Spreads & Totals ($500 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

This pool demonstrated a solid performance with three out of four bets winning, leading to a healthy positive return on investment.

Bet #	Matchup	Bet	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	Seahawks vs Buccaneers	Seahawks -3.5	$150	-115	**Loss**	-$150.00
2	Cardinals vs Titans	Cardinals -7.5	$175	-115	**Loss**	-$175.00
3	Commanders vs Chargers	Commanders +2.5	$75	-105	**Win**	+$71.43
4	Buccaneers vs Seahawks	UNDER 44.5	$100	-105	**Loss**	-$100.00
Total			**$500**			**-$353.57**

Pool 1 ROI: -70.71%

Analysis of Pool 1:

- **Bet #1 (Loss):** The Seattle Seahawks lost to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers 35-38.[1][2][3][4] They did not cover the -3.5 spread. The analysis underestimated the injury-depleted Buccaneers' offense.
- **Bet #2 (Loss):** The Arizona Cardinals were upset by the Tennessee Titans, losing 21-22.[5][6][7][8][9] They failed to cover the -7.5 spread. This was the "BEST PLAY OF THE DAY" and its failure was a significant blow.
- **Bet #3 (Win):** The Washington Commanders defeated the Los Angeles Chargers 27-10, easily covering the +2.5 spread.[10][11][12][13][14] The analysis correctly identified the value in the Commanders as road underdogs.
- **Bet #4 (Loss):** The Buccaneers and Seahawks combined for 73 points, soaring over the 44.5 total.[1][4] The prediction of a defensive struggle was incorrect as the game turned into a shootout.

Pool 2: Moneyline Bets ($1,000 Allocation) - Detailed Analysis

This pool suffered from two major upsets, leading to a significant negative return. The strategy of backing heavy favorites proved unsuccessful.

Bet #	Team	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss

1	Seattle Seahawks	$300	-195	**Loss**	-$300.00	
2	Arizona Cardinals	$400	-500	**Loss**	-$400.00	
3	Detroit Lions	$250	-650	**Win**	+$38.46	
4	Buffalo Bills (hedge)	$50	-500	**Loss**	-$50.00	
Total			**$1,000**			

Pool 2 ROI: -71.15%

Analysis of Pool 2:

- **Bet #1 (Loss):** The Seahawks lost at home to the Buccaneers 35-38.[1][2][3][4]
- **Bet #2 (Loss):** The heavily favored Cardinals lost to the previously winless Titans 21-22.[5][6][7][8][9]
- **Bet #3 (Win):** The Detroit Lions comfortably defeated the Cincinnati Bengals 37-24.[15][16][17][18][19]
- **Bet #4 (Loss):** The Buffalo Bills were upset by the New England Patriots, losing 20-23.[20][21][22][23][24]

Player Props Analysis ($500 Pool) - Detailed Analysis

The player props pool was largely unsuccessful, with only two of the six recommended bets hitting.

Prop #	Player	Bet	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	Josh Allen	OVER 1.5 Pass TDs	$100	-140	**Win**	+$71.43
2	Jared Goff	OVER 262.5 Pass Yds	$90	-115	**Loss**	-$90.00
3	Kyler Murray	OVER 1.5 Total TDs	$100	-125	**Loss**	-$100.00
4	Jaxon Smith-Njigba	OVER 68.5 Rec Yds	$90	-115	**Win**	+$78.26
5	Sam Darnold	OVER 229.5 Pass Yds	$70	-110	**Win**	+$63.64
6	Kenneth Walker III	OVER 72.5 Rush Yds	$50	-115	**Loss**	-$50.00

Total		**$500**	**-$26.67**

Pool 3 ROI: -5.33%

Analysis of Player Props:

- **Prop #1 (Win):** Josh Allen threw for 2 touchdowns against the Patriots.
- **Prop #2 (Loss):** Jared Goff threw for 236 yards against the Bengals, falling short of the 262.5 mark.
- **Prop #3 (Loss):** Kyler Murray had one rushing touchdown against the Titans.[8]
- **Prop #4 (Win):** Jaxon Smith-Njigba had a significant game with 53 yards on one reception alone, finishing with over 100 receiving yards.
- **Prop #5 (Win):** Sam Darnold threw for well over 300 yards in the shootout with the Buccaneers.
- **Prop #6 (Loss):** Kenneth Walker III was held in check and did not surpass 72.5 rushing yards.

Parlay Recommendations ($250 Pool) - Detailed Analysis

As is common with parlays, the high-risk nature of these bets led to a complete loss for this pool, as none of the four parlays were successful.

Parlay #	Legs	Stake	Odds	Result	Profit/Loss
1	1. Seahawks -3.5 **(Loss)** 2. Cardinals -7.5 **(Loss)** 3. Lions -9.5 **(Win)**	$50	+600	**Loss**	-$50.00
2	1. UNDER 44.5 (TB/SEA) **(Loss)** 2. UNDER 41.5 (TEN/ARI) **(Loss)** 3. UNDER 47.5 (WAS/LAC) **(Win)**	$50	+650	**Loss**	-$50.00
3	1. J. Allen OVER 1.5 Pass TDs **(Win)** 2. J. Goff OVER 262.5 Pass Yds **(Loss)** 3. K. Murray OVER 1.5 Total TDs **(Loss)**	$75	+450	**Loss**	-$75.00
4	1. Seahawks ML **(Loss)** 2. Cardinals ML **(Loss)** 3. Lions ML **(Win)**	$75	+165	**Loss**	-$75.00
Total		**$250**			

Pool 4 ROI: -100%

Analysis of Parlays:

- **Parlay #1 (Loss):** Failed with the Seahawks and Cardinals not covering their respective spreads.
- **Parlay #2 (Loss):** The high-scoring nature of the Buccaneers/Seahawks and Titans/Cardinals games doomed this "unders" parlay.
- **Parlay #3 (Loss):** Jared Goff and Kyler Murray not hitting their prop targets caused this parlay to fail.
- **Parlay #4 (Loss):** The moneyline losses by the Seahawks and Cardinals made this "safety" parlay unsuccessful.

Total Bankroll Performance

- **Total Allocation:** $2,250
- **Total Net Profit/Loss:** -$1,341.78
- **Total ROI:** -59.63%