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The data we are using for this project came from ESPN.com. We are using data tables for offensive, defensive, and special teams' statistics from the 2013 college football season. Our goal in using this data was to prove or disprove some old coaching adages like "defense wins championships".

The data we used had the variables TEAM, YDSG, P YDSG, R YDSG, Winning Percentage, YDSAG, NETPUNT, PUNTRETAVG, and Winning Record. The offensive variables are the team name, such as Baylor or Oregon, YDSG which are the total yards per game that team had last season, P YDSG which are the total passing yards per game the team had last season, R YDSG which are the total rushing yards per game the team had last season, and the winning percentage which is the number of games won divided by the number of games played.

The defensive variable is YDSAG, which are the number of yards the team allowed last season. The special teams' variables are NETPUNT, which is the net punt yards the team had last season, net punt is the distance of a punt after the return, and PUNTRETAVG, which is the average number of yards a team returned a punt last season. The last variable is kind of separate from the other categories, it uses the Winning Percentage variable to determine whether the team had a winning record, which is determined by if that team had a winning percentage above .500 last season meaning they won more than 50% of their games.