

Football Insights — Week of 25 May 2026

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EDITOR'S SUMMARY

Top-five-league fixtures this weekend skew toward home advantage, with three of our five featured matchups showing home expected-goals figures above 1.9 over the last six matches. The standout is the Manchester derby, where City's recent press-resistance metrics have stabilised after a wobbly March. Conversely, Inter–Juve looks closer in the underlying numbers than the league table suggests. As always, treat model splits as probability estimates, not predictions, and consider injuries reported through Wednesday evening.

MATCHUPS

MATCH 01 Manchester City vs Manchester United

30 May 2026

MANCHESTER CITY XG (L6)

2.34

MANCHESTER UNITED XG (L6)

1.21

MANCHESTER CITY FORM

WWWDW

MANCHESTER UNITED FORM

LWDWL

HEAD-TO-HEAD (LAST 5, HOME POV: W-D-L)

3-1-1

MODEL PROBABILITY SPLIT



Analyst notes. City's xG advantage is wider than recent results suggest because chances created in the De Bruyne-Foden combination zone have not always been converted. United's away xGA trend (last 6) is the worst in the league. Key uncertainty: De Bruyne's reported minor knock — if he misses, shift roughly 6 points of probability toward Draw.

MATCH 02 Real Madrid vs Atlético Madrid

31 May 2026

REAL MADRID XG (L6)

2.08

ATLÉTICO MADRID XG (L6)

1.62

REAL MADRID FORM

WDWWW

ATLÉTICO MADRID FORM

WWLDW

HEAD-TO-HEAD (LAST 5, HOME POV: W-D-L)

2-2-1

MODEL PROBABILITY SPLIT

49%

28%

23%

■ Real Madrid win ■ Draw ■ Atlético Madrid win

Analyst notes. The Madrid derby is the most variance-heavy fixture on the slate. Atlético's defensive solidity (1.05 xGA over last 6, league-second) drags this closer than narrative would suggest. Watch the early-press intensity in the first 15 minutes; Atlético wins or draws 71% of derbies when they keep xG against under 0.30 in that window.

MATCH 03 Inter vs Juventus

30 May 2026

INTER XG (L6)

1.94

JUVENTUS XG (L6)

1.78

INTER FORM

WWDLW

JUVENTUS FORM

WDWWW

HEAD-TO-HEAD (LAST 5, HOME POV: W-D-L)

1-3-1

MODEL PROBABILITY SPLIT

42%

31%

27%

■ Inter win ■ Draw ■ Juventus win

Analyst notes. Underlying xG is the closest of any top-five match this weekend. Juve's defensive metrics post-managerial change have improved sharply (xGA dropped from 1.4 to 0.9 over last six). High likelihood of a low-scoring, sub-2.5 goals game; our distribution puts P(under 2.5) at 58%.

MATCH 04 Bayern Munich vs Bayer Leverkusen

31 May 2026

BAYERN MUNICH XG (L6) 2.71	BAYER LEVERKUSEN XG (L6) 1.99
BAYERN MUNICH FORM WWWWW	BAYER LEVERKUSEN FORM WWWDW
HEAD-TO-HEAD (LAST 5, HOME POV: W-D-L) 2-2-1	

MODEL PROBABILITY SPLIT



Analyst notes. Two of the most prolific attacks in Europe. Leverkusen's pressing intensity drops by ~12% in away matches against top-six opponents, which is the main reason our model still favours Bayern despite Leverkusen's superior overall form line. Goals expected — model places P(over 3.5) at 41%.

MATCH 05 PSG vs Marseille

29 May 2026

PSG XG (L6) 2.42	MARSEILLE XG (L6) 1.34
PSG FORM WWWLW	MARSEILLE FORM DWLDW
HEAD-TO-HEAD (LAST 5, HOME POV: W-D-L) 4-0-1	

MODEL PROBABILITY SPLIT



Analyst notes. Le Classique trend continues strongly in PSG's favour at the Parc des Princes. Marseille's away xG in big matches has cratered (1.34 last 6 vs 1.71 season average). Highest home-win probability on our slate. The one variance pocket: Marseille has scored first in 3 of last 5 visits — if they do, PSG's chase-pattern xG balloons.

CLOSING NOTES

Three of our five featured games show meaningful divergence between recent results and underlying expected goals, which historically is the strongest signal we track. As always: probabilities are not predictions, and our model does not see late injury news, weather, or referee tendencies in fine grain. Use the report as one input among several, and never as the basis for any wager or financial decision.

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