

# Caleb Williams & The Bears: Successful Comebacks

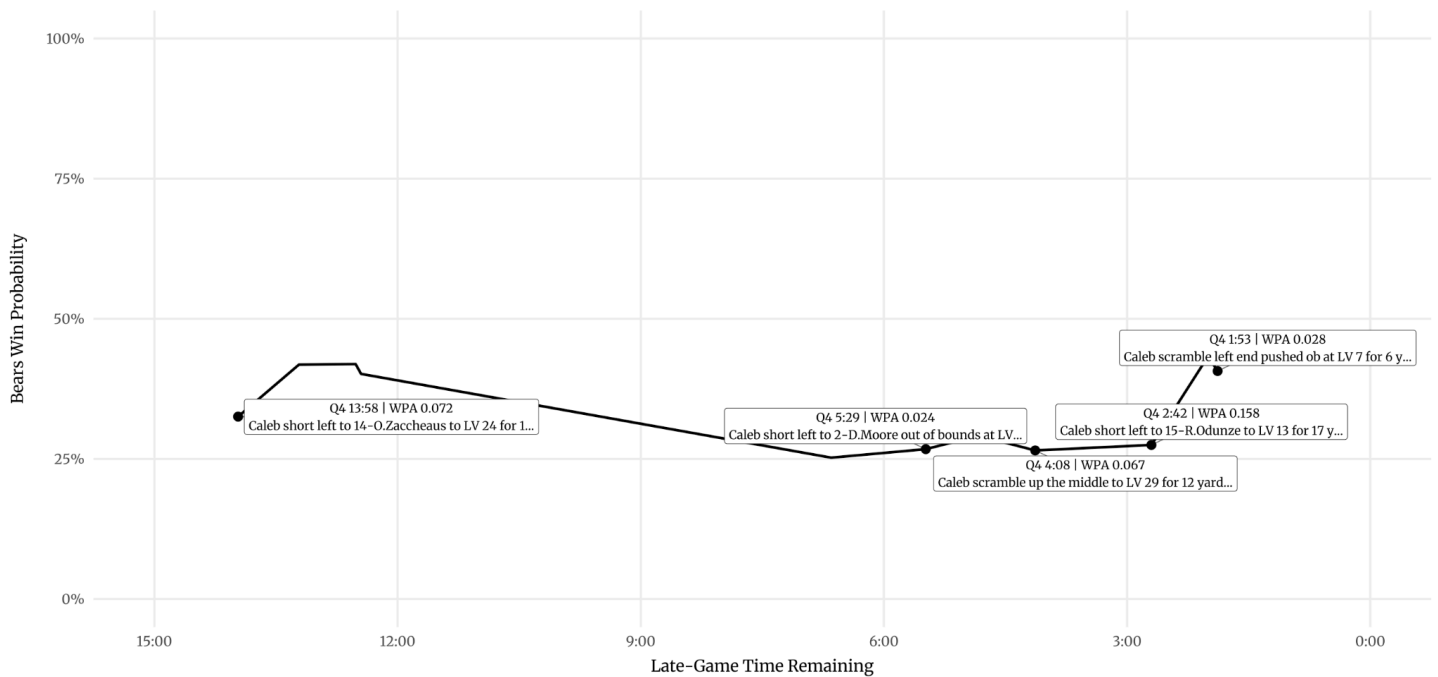
This document presents graphical evidence to highlight key trends and pivotal plays, revealing the underlying mechanisms that shaped the Bears' 2025 season.

## Week 4 - Chicago Bears 25-24 Las Vegas Raiders

In Week 4 against the Raiders, Caleb Williams led a fourth-quarter comeback from a 7-point deficit, with the Bears' win probability dipping to 23.86% while the offense was on the field. With 2:29 remaining, Caleb stepped up through collapsing protection and hit DJ Moore for a first down. A minute later, he added a 12-yard scramble on 2nd and 9 (+6.7% WPA). These creation plays set up the platform to finish within the structure of Ben Johnson's offense.

### Week 4 - Raiders: Bears Win Probability

4th Quarter and Overtime | High-WPA Bears offensive plays highlighted



Source: nflfastR play-level data

**(13:58)** Caleb hits Olamide Zaccheaus on a short left pass for 13 yards to the LV 24 (+7.2% WPA)

**(5:29)** Escaping pressure, Caleb drifts left and finds DJ Moore for 13 yards to the LV 44 (+2.4% WPA)

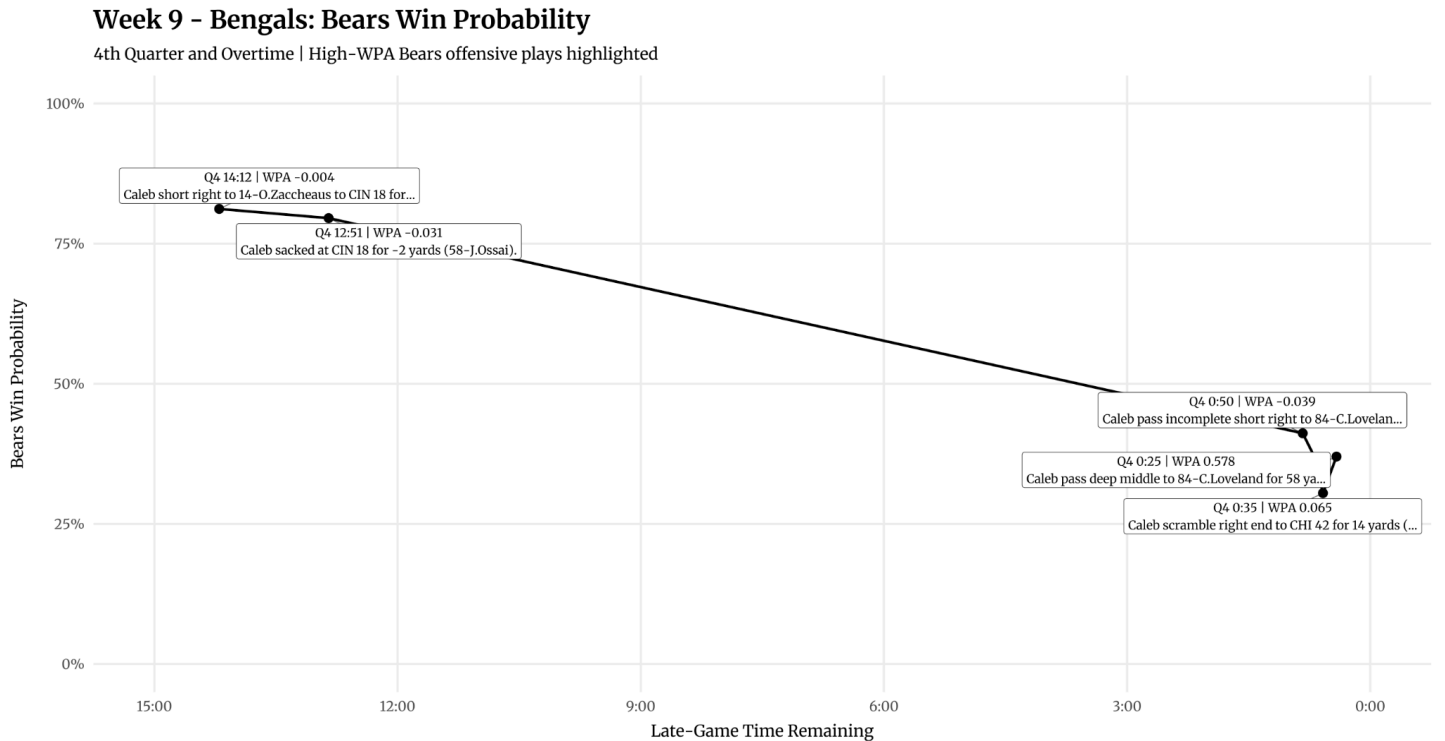
**(4:08)** Caleb scrambles up the middle for 12 yards to the LV 29 (+6.7% WPA)

**(2:42)** Caleb connects with Rome Odunze for 17 yards to the LV 13 (+15.8% WPA)

**(1:53)** Caleb scrambles left for 6 yards to the LV 7 (+2.8% WPA)

## Week 9 - Chicago Bears 47-42 Cincinnati Bengals

In Week 9 against the Bengals, a fourth-quarter breakdown dropped the Bears' win probability from above 75% to 30.48%, with Cincinnati leading by one inside the final minute. With 0:35 remaining on 3rd and 10, Caleb scrambled for 14 yards and a first down. On the next play, he connected with Colston Loveland for a 59-yard game-winning touchdown.



Source: nflfastR play-level data

**(14:12)** Caleb hits Olamide Zaccheaus on a short right pass for no gain to the CIN 18 (-0.4% WPA)

**(12:51)** Caleb is sacked for a 2-yard loss at the CIN 18 (-3.1% WPA)

**(0:50)** Caleb's short right pass to Colston Loveland falls incomplete (-3.9% WPA)

**(0:35)** Caleb scrambles right for 14 yards to the CHI 42 (+6.5% WPA)

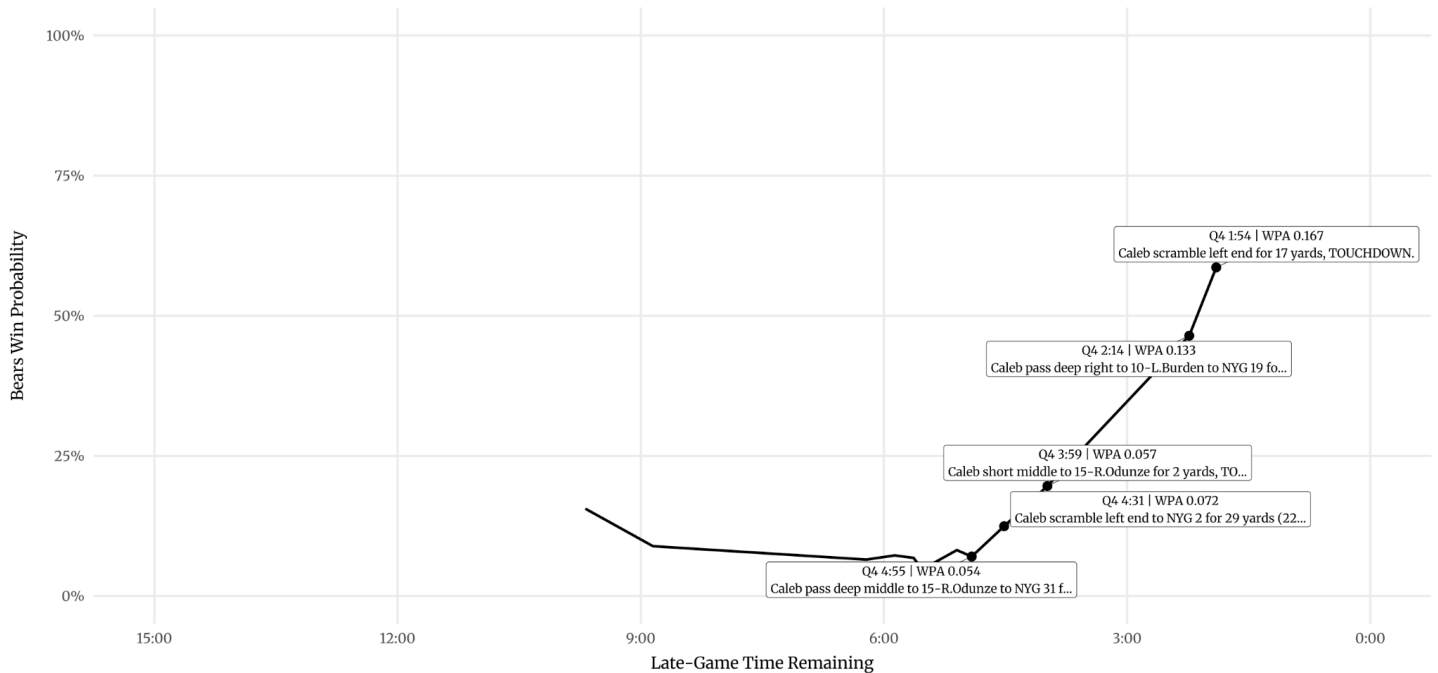
**(0:25)** Caleb connects deep with Colston Loveland, who takes it 58 yards for a touchdown (+57.8% WPA)

# Week 10 - Chicago Bears 24-20 New York Giants

In Week 10 against the Giants, the Bears trailed by 10 late in the fourth quarter, with win probability dropping to just 5.11% at the 5:30 mark. With 4:31 remaining, Caleb breaks the pocket and scrambles left for 29 yards to the NYG 2 (+7.2% WPA), setting up the first touchdown of the quarter. Two minutes later, at 1:54, Caleb finishes the drive himself, scrambling for a 17-yard game-winning touchdown (+16.7% WPA).

## Week 10 - Giants: Bears Win Probability

4th Quarter and Overtime | High-WPA Bears offensive plays highlighted



Source: nflfastR play-level data

**(4:55)** Caleb hits deep middle to Odunze for 18 yards to NYG 31 (+5.4% WPA)

**(4:31)** Caleb scrambles left for 29 yards to NYG 2 (+7.2% WPA)

**(3:59)** Caleb completes a short middle pass to Odunze for a 2-yard TD (+5.7% WPA)

**(2:14)** Caleb makes a deep right pass to Burden for 27 yards to NYG 19 (+13.3% WPA)

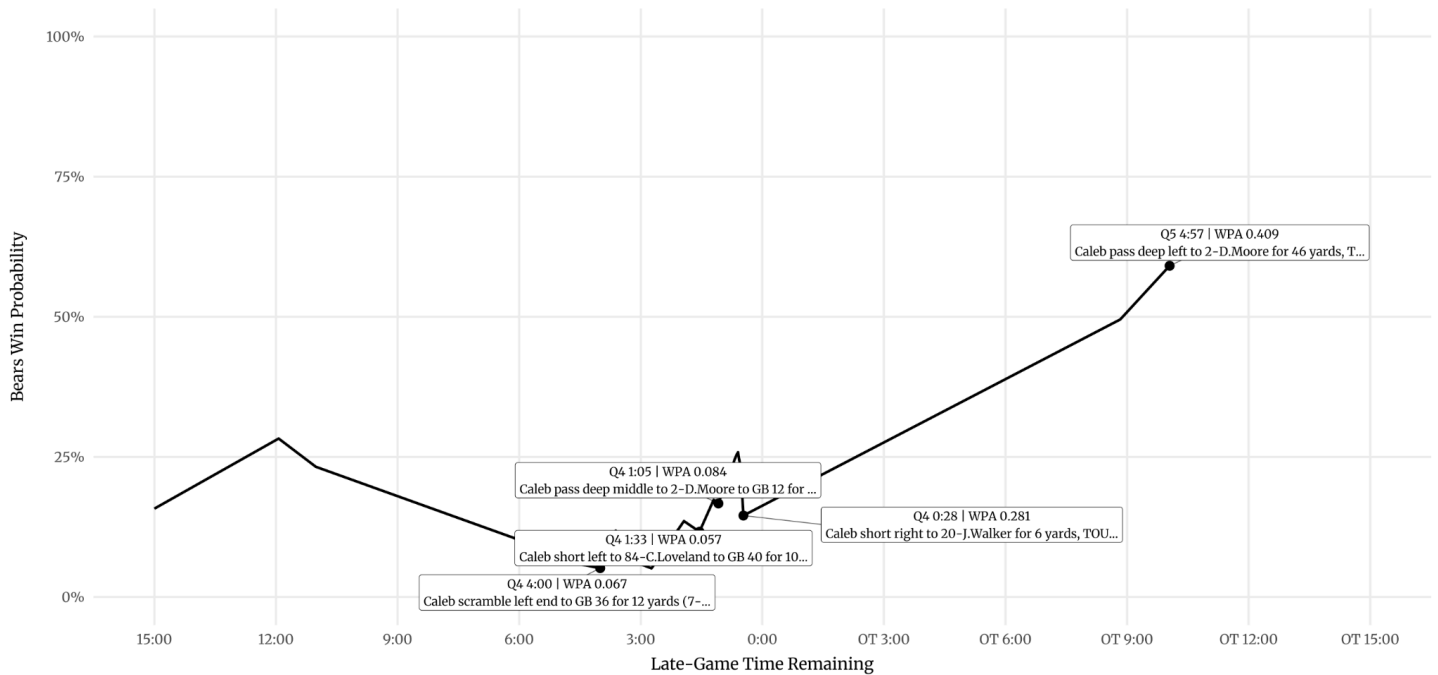
**(1:54)** Caleb scrambles to his left for a 17-yard TD (+16.7% WPA)

## Week 16 - Chicago Bears 22-16 Green Bay Packers

In Week 16 against the Packers, the Bears faced a late deficit with win probability falling to 5.12% with 2:45 remaining. At 4:00, Caleb took a shotgun snap on 4th and 1 and escaped collapsing pressure for a 12-yard gain (+6.7% WPA), putting the Bears within field goal range. He then executed within Ben Johnson's offensive scheme, connecting with DJ Moore for 20 yards and Jahdae Walker in the back of the end zone to tie the game. In overtime, with 4:57 remaining, Caleb found DJ Moore deep for the game-winning touchdown (+40.9% WPA).

### Week 16 - Packers: Bears Win Probability

4th Quarter and Overtime | High-WPA Bears offensive plays highlighted



Source: nflfastR play-level data

**(4:00)** Caleb scrambles left for a 12-yard gain to GB 36 (+6.7% WPA)

**(1:33)** Caleb makes a short left pass to Loveland for 10 yards to GB 10 (+5.7% WPA)

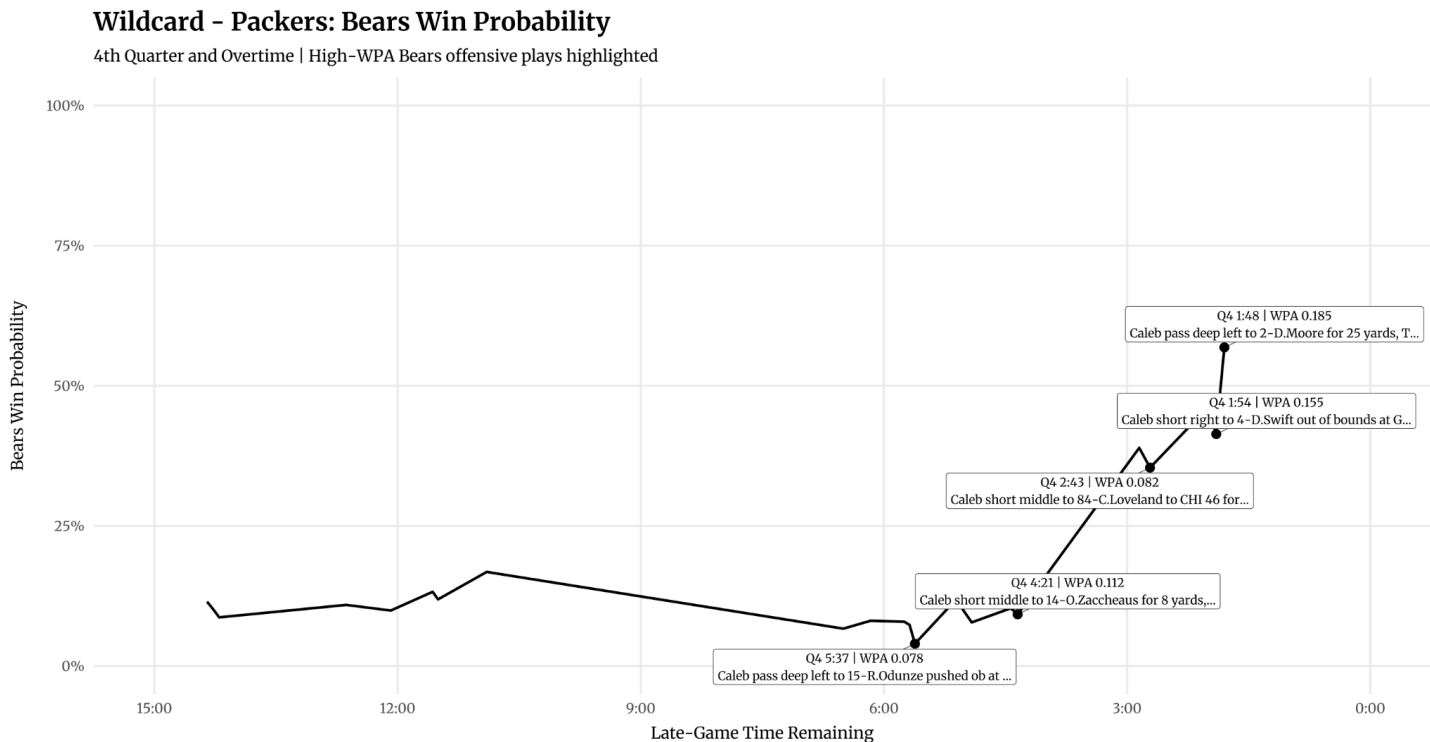
**(1:05)** Caleb completes a deep middle pass to Moore for a 20-yard gain to GB 12 (+8.4% WPA)

**(0:28)** Caleb hits short right to Walker for a 6-yard TD (+28.1% WPA)

**(OT 4:57)** Caleb completes a deep left pass to Moore for a 46-yard TD (+40.9% WPA)

## Wild Card - Chicago Bears 31-27 Green Bay Packers

In the Wild Card against the Packers, the Bears were faced yet again with a late deficit and win probability dropping to 3.97% with 5:37 remaining. At 5:37, Caleb took a shotgun snap on 4th and 8, escaped rolling to the left, and completed a pass to Odunze for a 27-yard conversion (+7.8% WPA), putting the Bears in striking range. A touchdown pass to Zaccheaus and a successful two-point conversion put the Bears within 3. Finally, the Bears complete a pass to DJ Moore on a screen-and-go, putting them ahead with 1:43 remaining (+18.5% WPA).



**(5:37)** Caleb drifts left for a deep left pass to Rome Odunze for a 27-yard gain to GB 30 (+7.8% WPA)

**(4:21)** Caleb completes a short middle pass to Olamide Zaccheaus for an 8-yard touchdown (+11.2% WPA)

**(2:43)** Caleb hits Colston Loveland on a short middle pass for 12 yards to CHI 46 (+8.2% WPA)

**(1:54)** Caleb makes a short right pass to D'Andre Swift for a 23-yard gain to GB 25 (+15.5% WPA)

**(1:48)** Caleb connects with DJ Moore on a deep left pass for a 25-yard TD (+18.5% WPA)

**Conclusion:** The graphs illustrate that the Bears' comebacks are driven by Caleb Williams' ability to create outside of structure. His movement, whether as a runner or while extending plays, generates the positive outcomes that keep drives alive. These moments of creation restore the offense to a functional state, allowing structured execution to finish possessions.