

## **DOES PLAYING POSITION MATTER?** By Tony Villiotti

In a previous article (*The Relative Value of Draft Choices*). **DRAFTMETRICS** examined the value of draft choices. Based on a study of draft choices from 1990 through 2009, *The Relative Value of Draft Choices* identified seven Value Groups within the draft. The premise of a Value Group is that all selections within each Group are of approximately equal value.

The seven groups identified were as follows:

- Value Group (VG) 1 consists of draft positions 1 through 13
- VG 2 includes draft positions 14 through 28
- VG 3 includes draft positions 29 through 48
- VG 4 includes draft positions 49 through 74
- VG 5 includes draft positions 75 through 114
- VG 6 includes draft positions 115 through 200
- VG 7 includes draft positions 200 and higher

What was not examined, though, was whether the results within the “Value Groups” differed by playing position. **DRAFTMETRICS** examines that issue in this article.

The period studied for this article was 1990 through 2003. The study was cut off in 2003 so that the careers of all players drafted could be fairly evaluated. **DRAFTMETRICS** excluded drafts after 2003 because careers of those players are, to a large degree, still evolving.

### *Draft Bias*

**DRAFTMETRICS** first analyzed whether certain positions are regarded as either more valuable or harder to find, and are accordingly drafted higher than other positions. Conversely, are certain positions drafted lower than might be expected because they are regarded as less important or more readily available. The analysis was done for the period from 1990-2003.

The following tables provide information that shows the following:

- A disproportionate number of Quarterbacks were drafted in VG1 with a low number drafted in VGs 2, 3 and 4
- There was no real bias for or against Running Backs but the selection pattern was “spiky”
- Wide Receivers tended to be slightly “under-drafted” in VGs 1 and 2
- Tight ends were seldom drafted in VG1
- Offensive linemen were slightly under-drafted in VG1 but were stable thereafter
- Defensive linemen were drafted disproportionately high in VGs 1 through 4, particularly in VG 1
- Linebackers were under-drafted in VGs 1 through 3 and then drafted heavily in VGs 4-6
- Defensive backs were heavily drafted in VGs 2 through 6

**Table: Number of Players Drafted by Playing Position and Value Group**

	VG1	VG2	VG3	VG4	VG5	VG6	VG7	All
Quarterback	21	7	9	10	31	44	53	175
Running Back	17	27	33	29	71	125	93	395
Wide Receiver	22	23	41	49	61	147	136	479
Tight End	3	12	15	19	25	86	63	223
Offensive Line	25	35	45	59	92	198	149	603
Defensive Line	50	41	48	69	80	184	150	622
Linebacker	20	21	31	54	80	167	108	481
Defensive Back	24	43	58	71	107	233	132	668
Kicker	0	1	0	4	13	20	23	61
Total	182	210	280	364	560	1204	907	3707

**Table: Percentage Composition of Selections in Each VG by Playing Position**

	VG1	VG2	VG3	VG4	VG5	VG6	VG7	All
Quarterback	11.5%	3.3%	3.2%	2.7%	5.5%	3.7%	5.8%	4.7%
Running Back	9.3%	12.9%	11.8%	8.0%	12.7%	10.4%	10.3%	10.7%
Wide Receiver	12.1%	11.0%	14.6%	13.5%	10.9%	12.2%	15.0%	12.9%
Tight End	1.6%	5.7%	5.4%	5.2%	4.5%	7.1%	6.9%	6.0%
Offensive Line	13.7%	16.7%	16.1%	16.2%	16.4%	16.4%	16.4%	16.3%
Defensive Line	27.5%	19.5%	17.1%	19.0%	14.3%	15.3%	16.5%	16.8%
Linebacker	11.0%	10.0%	11.1%	14.8%	14.3%	13.9%	11.9%	13.0%
Defensive Back	13.2%	20.5%	20.7%	19.5%	19.1%	19.4%	14.6%	18.0%
Kicker	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	1.1%	2.3%	1.7%	2.5%	1.6%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

*Playing Position Analysis*

**DRAFTMETRICS** next examined draft results by playing position within each of the Value Groups to determine whether there were any notable patterns during the 1990-2003 study period. Detailed information by Value Group within playing position and playing position within Value Group are included at the end of this article. Summary information is found within the article.

**DRAFTMETRICS** first determined the “norm” for each Value Group. This norm is reflected in the following table that shows the number of players drafted in each Value Group plus the probability of achieving various playing milestones. For example, the table shows that 182 players were drafted in VG 1; 99.5% of those drafted played for at least three years; 91.2% of those drafted played for at least five

years; 83% of VG1 players started for at least three seasons; 70.9% of VG1 players started for at least five seasons; and 64.3% of VG1 players started in their rookie season. Please note that starter status indicates a player started at least eight games during a season.

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - All Positions - "The Norm"**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	182	99.5%	91.2%	83.0%	70.9%	64.3%
VG2	210	92.9%	83.8%	69.0%	55.2%	42.4%
VG3	280	90.7%	77.1%	63.9%	46.8%	34.3%
VG4	364	86.8%	71.7%	48.9%	32.4%	19.5%
VG5	560	75.0%	55.4%	28.9%	19.6%	9.5%
VG6	1,204	54.7%	37.1%	16.5%	9.5%	4.8%
VG7	907	31.1%	19.8%	9.2%	5.3%	1.8%
Total	3,707	62.2%	47.4%	20.7%	20.7%	13.5%

**DRAFTMETRICS** then developed the same measures during the 1990-2003 study period for each playing position for comparison to the “norm” in order to detect patterns by playing position. First, a couple of “big picture” observations:

- There was significant variation in results depending on the playing position
- Skill position players were riskier draft choices than other positions
- Defensive players tended to have better results than offensive players

Other more specific observations are as follows:

- More than half of the QB drafted in VG1 were rookie starters, slightly less than the norm
- QBs do tend to have less than average results, probably because of the limited number of starting positions available
- Running backs represent an interesting anomaly – they are the least likely to start for at least five years but the most likely to start as rookies
- Excluding QBs, RBs were the least successful of the VG1 draftees
- RBs are relatively risky picks but starters can be found later in the draft
- Wide receivers are somewhat risky early picks, but the results of late round draftees (VGs 6 and 7) are the worst of any position
- Excluding QBs, WRs were the least likely draftees to start as rookies
- Early TE selections tended to outperform the average, probably due to the fact that there is a tendency to devalue the position and good talent is available later than it should be
- Offensive linemen were among the safest picks in the draft and have the highest overall percentage of rookie starters, three-year starters and five-year starters.
- Over 50% of all OL drafted in VGs 1-3 started as rookies

- There were twice as many defensive linemen selected in VG1 than any other position
- Defensive linemen tended to outperform the average in all categories but rookie starters
- VG3 DL tended performed significantly worse than the norm, perhaps indicating that there was a tendency to “stretch” for DLs
- Linebackers had the highest percentage of draftees with five-year careers, perhaps due to the heavy use of LBs on special teams
- VG2 and VG3 LBs had significantly better than average results
- There were more defensive backs drafted than any other position
- DBs were second only to RBs in rookie starters
- VG 5 and 6 DBs did not have good results, but VG 7 DBs had better results than any position but OL

Tables for each playing position follow. These tables contain the same columns (with the same definitions) at the table for normal results.

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Quarterbacks**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	21	95.2%	76.2%	71.4%	57.1%	52.4%
VG2	7	71.4%	71.4%	28.6%	14.3%	14.3%
VG3	9	88.9%	77.8%	44.4%	44.4%	22.2%
VG4	10	90.0%	60.0%	30.0%	20.0%	30.0%
VG5	31	74.2%	58.1%	9.7%	3.2%	3.2%
VG6	44	43.2%	31.8%	15.9%	15.9%	0.0%
VG7	53	26.4%	18.9%	5.7%	3.8%	0.0%
Total	175	56.0%	43.4%	21.1%	16.6%	10.3%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Running Backs**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	17	100.0%	88.2%	64.7%	58.8%	64.7%
VG2	27	96.3%	77.8%	48.1%	33.3%	40.7%
VG3	33	90.9%	66.7%	42.4%	24.2%	24.2%
VG4	29	89.7%	72.4%	37.9%	20.7%	24.1%
VG5	71	77.5%	52.1%	22.5%	11.3%	14.1%
VG6	125	56.0%	38.4%	12.8%	8.0%	8.8%
VG7	93	29.0%	20.4%	13.0%	4.3%	1.1%
Total	395	63.5%	46.3%	23.5%	13.7%	14.9%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Wide Receivers**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	22	100.0%	95.5%	81.8%	63.6%	54.5%
VG2	23	91.3%	73.9%	60.9%	43.5%	43.5%
VG3	41	92.7%	78.0%	53.7%	34.1%	26.8%
VG4	49	83.7%	61.2%	40.8%	20.4%	16.3%
VG5	61	82.0%	52.5%	26.2%	19.7%	9.8%
VG6	147	44.9%	28.6%	9.5%	4.1%	2.7%
VG7	136	22.1%	11.8%	3.7%	2.9%	0.0%
Total	479	55.9%	39.7%	23.5%	14.6%	10.6%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Tight Ends**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	3	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	66.7%
VG2	12	100.0%	91.7%	83.3%	66.7%	50.0%
VG3	15	93.3%	93.3%	73.3%	66.7%	40.0%
VG4	19	89.5%	78.9%	47.4%	31.6%	26.3%
VG5	25	96.0%	68.0%	36.0%	20.0%	29.4%
VG6	86	67.4%	41.9%	17.4%	9.3%	10.8%
VG7	63	34.9%	20.6%	6.3%	6.3%	4.8%
Total	223	67.3%	46.3%	27.4%	19.7%	13.9%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Offensive Line**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	25	100.0%	100.0%	92.0%	88.0%	80.0%
VG2	35	88.6%	85.7%	77.1%	68.6%	62.9%
VG3	45	95.6%	77.8%	75.6%	53.3%	53.3%
VG4	59	79.7%	74.6%	59.3%	42.4%	20.3%
VG5	92	70.7%	58.7%	40.2%	29.3%	9.8%
VG6	198	51.5%	36.9%	21.7%	12.6%	7.1%
VG7	149	32.9%	21.5%	14.8%	8.1%	2.7%
Total	603	60.0%	48.6%	36.7%	26.4%	17.4%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Defensive Line**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	50	100.0%	92.0%	86.0%	72.0%	64.0%
VG2	41	95.1%	78.0%	68.3%	56.1%	26.8%
VG3	48	77.1%	62.5%	56.3%	35.4%	20.8%
VG4	69	87.0%	78.3%	59.4%	40.6%	11.6%
VG5	80	62.5%	50.0%	31.3%	20.0%	6.3%
VG6	184	59.2%	42.9%	21.2%	10.9%	4.3%
VG7	150	29.3%	18.7%	6.7%	4.0%	0.7%
Total	622	62.5%	49.7%	34.2%	23.5%	12.1%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Linebacker**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	20	100.0%	90.0%	85.0%	75.0%	55.0%
VG2	21	85.7%	85.7%	85.7%	76.2%	57.1%
VG3	31	93.5%	83.9%	67.7%	61.3%	48.4%
VG4	54	88.9%	70.4%	48.1%	29.6%	20.4%
VG5	80	76.3%	61.3%	43.8%	30.0%	10.0%
VG6	167	53.3%	38.3%	19.8%	12.0%	3.6%
VG7	108	38.9%	25.0%	10.2%	5.6%	0.9%
Total	481	63.8%	49.9%	33.5%	24.1%	13.3%

**Table: Various Measures by Value Group - Defensive Back**

	<b>Players Drafted</b>	<b>3-Year Career</b>	<b>5-Year Career</b>	<b>3-Year Starter</b>	<b>5-Year Starter</b>	<b>Rookie Starter</b>
VG1	24	100.0%	91.7%	87.5%	70.8%	75.0%
VG2	43	97.7%	95.3%	76.7%	60.5%	37.2%
VG3	58	94.8%	86.2%	79.3%	60.3%	34.5%
VG4	71	91.5%	70.4%	46.5%	35.2%	23.9%
VG5	107	77.6%	52.3%	19.6%	15.9%	8.4%
VG6	233	58.4%	35.2%	13.7%	7.7%	4.7%
VG7	132	35.6%	22.0%	12.1%	7.6%	4.5%
Total	668	67.7%	49.4%	30.2%	22.2%	14.5%

**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 1**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	21	0	1	4	16	171	1,772	114	20	11	5	3	12	1.5	3.6	6.2	8	5	1	1
RB	17	0	0	2	15	147	1,507	100	17	11	6	1	10	2.0	3.8	6.0	8	4	6	2
WR	22	0	0	1	21	196	1,947	128	21	3	3	4	14	1.8	3.6	6.0	8	4	5	1
TE	3	0	0	0	3	35	452	30	3	2	-	-	3	1.3	3.3	5.3	1	1	1	1
OL	25	0	0	0	25	243	3,226	212	25	20	2	1	22	1.2	3.3	5.4	14	9	10	6
DL	50	0	0	4	46	429	5,125	341	48	32	5	7	36	1.5	3.7	5.7	21	13	10	5
LB	20	0	0	2	18	178	2,102	138	19	11	2	2	15	1.4	3.8	5.8	10	5	7	2
DB	24	0	0	2	22	221	2,614	172	22	18	1	4	17	1.2	3.4	5.4	12	5	6	1
K	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-			-									
All	182	0	1	15	166	1,620	18,745	1,235	175	108	24	22	129				82	46	46	19

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 1**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	21	0%	5%	19%	76%	8.1	84.4	5.4	95%	52%	25%	15%	60%	38%	24%	5%	5%
RB	17	0%	0%	12%	88%	8.6	88.6	5.9	100%	65%	35%	6%	59%	47%	24%	35%	12%
WR	22	0%	0%	5%	95%	8.9	88.5	5.8	95%	14%	14%	19%	67%	36%	18%	23%	5%
TE	3	0%	0%	0%	100%	11.7	150.7	10.0	100%	67%	0%	0%	100%	33%	33%	33%	33%
OL	25	0%	0%	0%	100%	9.7	129.0	8.5	100%	80%	8%	4%	88%	56%	36%	40%	24%
DL	50	0%	0%	8%	92%	8.6	102.5	6.8	96%	64%	10%	15%	75%	42%	26%	20%	10%
LB	20	0%	0%	10%	90%	8.9	105.1	6.9	95%	55%	11%	11%	79%	50%	25%	35%	10%
DB	24	0%	0%	8%	92%	9.2	108.9	7.2	92%	75%	5%	18%	77%	50%	21%	25%	4%
K	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%	0%	0%	0%
All	182	0%	1%	8%	91%	8.9	103.0	6.8	96%	59%	14%	13%	74%	45%	25%	25%	10%

Notes:

1. A player is credited with a year played only if he participates in at least one game that season
2. A player is credited with a starter year only if he starts at least 8 games that season
3. "Average Velocity to Starter Year" is the number of years it took players to reach that milestone. Only players who did reach the milestone are included in the average
4. Average Career Years, Average Career Starts and Average Starter Years are calculated based on all players drafted

**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 2**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	7	0	2	0	5	41	207	13	4	1	2	1	1	4.5	3.5	7.0	0	0	0	0
RB	27	0	1	5	21	187	1,503	97	26	11	13	5	8	2.0	4.2	5.8	7	3	4	1
WR	23	0	2	4	17	166	1,712	115	21	10	7	4	10	1.9	3.8	5.8	5	3	3	2
TE	12	0	0	1	11	97	1,000	70	12	6	2	2	8	1.8	3.5	5.5	4	1	2	0
OL	35	0	4	1	30	274	3,386	223	34	22	7	3	24	1.4	3.5	5.6	8	4	3	2
DL	41	0	2	7	32	332	3,202	206	34	11	6	5	23	2.5	4.1	6.4	11	7	7	0
LB	21	0	3	0	18	169	1,967	126	20	12	2	2	16	1.4	3.9	6.2	6	4	6	2
DB	43	0	1	1	41	354	3,476	230	40	16	7	7	26	1.8	4.1	6.1	9	5	7	1
K	1	0	0	0	1	10	-	-	-	0							0	0	0	0
All	210	0	15	19	176	1,630	16,453	1,080	191	89	46	29	116				50	27	32	8

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 2**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	7	0%	29%	0%	71%	5.9	29.6	1.9	57%	14%	50%	25%	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%
RB	27	0%	4%	19%	78%	6.9	55.7	3.6	96%	41%	50%	19%	31%	26%	11%	15%	4%
WR	23	0%	9%	17%	74%	7.2	74.4	5.0	91%	43%	33%	19%	48%	22%	13%	13%	9%
TE	12	0%	0%	8%	92%	8.1	83.3	5.8	100%	50%	17%	17%	67%	33%	8%	17%	0%
OL	35	0%	11%	3%	86%	7.8	96.7	6.4	97%	63%	21%	9%	71%	23%	11%	9%	6%
DL	41	0%	5%	17%	78%	8.1	78.1	5.0	83%	27%	18%	15%	68%	27%	17%	17%	0%
LB	21	0%	14%	0%	86%	8.0	93.7	6.0	95%	57%	10%	10%	80%	29%	19%	29%	10%
DB	43	0%	2%	2%	95%	8.2	80.8	5.3	93%	37%	18%	18%	65%	21%	12%	16%	2%
K	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	10.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%	0%	0%	0%
All	210	0%	7%	9%	84%	7.8	78.3	5.1	91%	42%	24%	15%	61%	24%	13%	15%	4%

Notes:

1. A player is credited with a year played only if he participates in at least one game that season
2. A player is credited with a starter year only if he starts at least 8 games that season
3. "Average Velocity to Starter Year" is the number of years it took players to reach that milestone. Only players who did reach the milestone are included in the average
4. Average Career Years, Average Career Starts and Average Starter Years are calculated based on all players drafted

**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 3**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	9	0	1	1	7	75	678	45	7	2	3	0	4	1.9	3.5	5.5	3	2	2	1
RB	33	0	3	8	22	220	1,377	86	21	8	7	6	8	2.1	4.8	6.1	8	5	3	1
WR	41	0	3	6	32	297	2,438	156	29	11	7	8	14	2.2	4.5	6.3	6	4	3	0
TE	15	0	1	0	14	127	1,312	89	13	6	2	1	10	1.8	4.0	6.1	3	1	0	0
OL	45	0	2	8	35	338	3,651	237	42	24	8	10	24	2.0	4.1	5.9	9	4	3	2
DL	48	2	9	7	30	281	2,461	162	32	10	5	10	17	2.2	4.4	6.5	7	2	2	1
LB	31	0	2	3	26	234	2,345	158	26	15	5	2	19	1.8	3.5	5.7	4	2	3	0
DB	58	0	3	5	50	462	4,603	298	52	20	6	11	35	2.2	4.5	6.9	14	4	10	2
K	0	0	0	0	0	-														
All	280	2	24	38	216	2,034	18,865	1,231	222	96	43	48	131				54	24	26	7

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 3**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	9	0%	11%	11%	78%	8.3	75.3	5.0	78%	22%	43%	0%	57%	33%	22%	22%	11%
RB	33	0%	9%	24%	67%	6.7	41.7	2.6	64%	24%	33%	29%	38%	24%	15%	9%	3%
WR	41	0%	7%	15%	78%	7.2	59.5	3.8	71%	27%	24%	28%	48%	15%	10%	7%	0%
TE	15	0%	7%	0%	93%	8.5	87.5	5.9	87%	40%	15%	8%	77%	20%	7%	0%	0%
OL	45	0%	4%	18%	78%	7.5	81.1	5.3	93%	53%	19%	24%	57%	20%	9%	7%	4%
DL	48	4%	19%	15%	63%	5.9	51.3	3.4	67%	21%	16%	31%	53%	15%	4%	4%	2%
LB	31	0%	6%	10%	84%	7.5	75.6	5.1	84%	48%	19%	8%	73%	13%	6%	10%	0%
DB	58	0%	5%	9%	86%	8.0	79.4	5.1	90%	34%	12%	21%	67%	24%	7%	17%	3%
K	0	0%	0%	0%	0%		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0%	0%	0%	0%
All	280	1%	9%	14%	77%	7.3	67.4	4.4	79%	34%	19%	22%	59%	19%	9%	9%	3%

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**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 4**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	10	1	0	3	6	62	329	19	5	3	2	1	2	1.6	3.7	6.0	1	0	0	0
RB	29	0	3	5	21	187	1,112	74	18	7	7	5	6	2.6	4.5	6.5	4	1	2	0
WR	49	1	7	11	30	281	1,725	105	25	8	5	10	10	2.4	4.9	7.2	3	1	2	0
TE	19	0	2	2	15	119	862	52	14	5	5	3	6	2.0	4.9	7.3	2	1	1	0
OL	59	4	8	3	44	387	3,773	239	44	12	9	10	25	2.1	4.5	6.2	4	3	4	0
DL	69	3	6	6	54	491	4,015	257	51	8	10	13	28	2.9	5.2	6.8	8	3	4	1
LB	54	0	6	10	38	352	2,668	175	37	11	11	10	16	2.5	4.3	6.5	3	2	2	0
DB	71	0	6	15	50	484	4,075	249	49	17	16	8	25	2.4	4.1	6.0	11	4	8	4
K	4	0	1	0	3	50	-	-	-	0	0	0	0				3	0	1	0
All	364	9	39	55	261	2,413	18,559	1,170	243	71	65	60	118				39	15	24	5

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 4**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	10	10%	0%	30%	60%	6.2	32.9	1.9	50%	30%	40%	20%	40%	10%	0%	0%	0%
RB	29	0%	10%	17%	72%	6.4	38.3	2.6	62%	24%	39%	28%	33%	14%	3%	7%	0%
WR	49	2%	14%	22%	61%	5.7	35.2	2.1	51%	16%	20%	40%	40%	6%	2%	4%	0%
TE	19	0%	11%	11%	79%	6.3	45.4	2.7	74%	26%	36%	21%	43%	11%	5%	5%	0%
OL	59	7%	14%	5%	75%	6.6	63.9	4.1	75%	20%	20%	23%	57%	7%	5%	7%	0%
DL	69	4%	9%	9%	78%	7.1	58.2	3.7	74%	12%	20%	25%	55%	12%	4%	6%	1%
LB	54	0%	11%	19%	70%	6.5	49.4	3.2	69%	20%	30%	27%	43%	6%	4%	4%	0%
DB	71	0%	8%	21%	70%	6.8	57.4	3.5	69%	24%	33%	16%	51%	15%	6%	11%	6%
K	4	0%	25%	0%	75%	12.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	75%	0%	25%	0%
All	364	2%	11%	15%	72%	6.6	51.0	3.2	67%	20%	27%	25%	49%	11%	4%	7%	1%

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**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 5**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	31	2	6	5	18	147	458	22	9	1	6	2	1	3.7	6.0	7.0	1	0	0	0
RB	71	2	14	18	37	369	1,612	98	30	10	14	8	8	2.7	5.4	7.1	5	3	2	0
WR	61	5	6	18	32	341	2,132	129	32	6	16	4	12	2.7	5.9	7.6	8	2	4	1
TE	25	0	1	7	17	162	910	56	17	5	8	4	5	2.8	4.8	6.6	0	0	0	0
OL	92	8	19	11	54	510	4,412	277	61	9	24	10	27	3.0	4.8	6.8	2	2	1	0
DL	80	6	24	10	40	398	2,531	160	38	5	13	9	16	2.9	5.4	7.1	1	0	1	0
LB	80	7	12	12	49	462	3,494	229	49	8	14	11	24	2.7	4.8	6.4	4	1	1	0
DB	107	5	19	27	56	572	2,786	161	45	9	24	4	17	2.8	4.9	6.8	5	1	4	1
K	13	1	3	2	7	91	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0.0			1	0	1	0
All	560	36	104	110	310	3,052	18,335	1,132	281	53	119	52	110				27	9	14	2

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 5**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	31	6%	19%	16%	58%	4.7	14.8	0.7	29%	3%	67%	22%	11%	3%	0%	0%	0%
RB	71	3%	20%	25%	52%	5.2	22.7	1.4	42%	14%	47%	27%	27%	7%	4%	3%	0%
WR	61	8%	10%	30%	52%	5.6	35.0	2.1	52%	10%	50%	13%	38%	13%	3%	7%	2%
TE	25	0%	4%	28%	68%	6.5	36.4	2.2	68%	20%	47%	24%	29%	0%	0%	0%	0%
OL	92	9%	21%	12%	59%	5.5	48.0	3.0	66%	10%	39%	16%	44%	2%	2%	1%	0%
DL	80	8%	30%	13%	50%	5.0	31.6	2.0	48%	6%	34%	24%	42%	1%	0%	1%	0%
LB	80	9%	15%	15%	61%	5.8	43.7	2.9	61%	10%	29%	22%	49%	5%	1%	1%	0%
DB	107	5%	18%	25%	52%	5.3	26.0	1.5	42%	8%	53%	9%	38%	5%	1%	4%	1%
K	13	0%	0%	0%	54%	7.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	8%	0%	8%	0%
All	560	6%	19%	20%	55%	5.5	32.7	2.0	50%	9%	42%	19%	39%	5%	2%	3%	0%

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**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 6**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	44	9	16	5	14	165	959	61	13	0	6	0	7	3.5	4.9	8.3	6	2	4	0
RB	125	25	30	22	48	477	1,633	98	30	11	14	6	10	2.4	5.0	7.2	10	3	9	2
WR	147	40	41	24	42	444	1,518	85	30	4	16	8	6	3.7	6.3	9.0	5	1	4	0
TE	86	7	21	22	36	399	2,014	113	37	4	22	7	8	3.0	5.6	7.3	5	4	2	1
OL	198	60	36	29	73	706	4,596	289	71	14	28	18	25	3.0	5.2	6.7	3	1	1	0
DL	184	29	46	30	79	810	4,443	274	78	8	39	19	20	3.4	5.7	7.1	9	3	3	0
LB	167	32	46	25	64	638	3,311	210	53	6	20	13	20	2.9	5.1	7.0	7	3	3	1
DB	233	40	57	54	82	874	3,717	218	68	11	36	14	18	3.0	5.4	7.3	8	2	4	0
K	20	5	6	0	9	101	-										3	2	4	1
All	1204	247	299	211	447	4,614	22,191	1,348	380	58	181	85	114				56	21	34	5

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 6**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	44	20%	36%	11%	32%	3.8	21.8	1.4	30%	0%	46%	0%	54%	14%	5%	9%	0%
RB	125	20%	24%	18%	38%	3.8	13.1	0.8	24%	9%	47%	20%	33%	8%	2%	7%	2%
WR	147	27%	28%	16%	29%	3.0	10.3	0.6	20%	3%	53%	27%	20%	3%	1%	3%	0%
TE	86	8%	24%	26%	42%	4.6	23.4	1.3	43%	5%	59%	19%	22%	6%	5%	2%	1%
OL	198	30%	18%	15%	37%	3.6	23.2	1.5	36%	7%	39%	25%	35%	2%	1%	1%	0%
DL	184	16%	25%	16%	43%	4.4	24.1	1.5	42%	4%	50%	24%	26%	5%	2%	2%	0%
LB	167	19%	28%	15%	38%	3.8	19.8	1.3	32%	4%	38%	25%	38%	4%	2%	2%	1%
DB	233	17%	24%	23%	35%	3.8	16.0	0.9	29%	5%	53%	21%	26%	3%	1%	2%	0%
K	20	0%	0%	0%	45%	5.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	15%	10%	20%	5%
All	1204	21%	25%	18%	37%	3.8	18.4	1.1	32%	5%	48%	22%	30%	5%	2%	3%	0%

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**Table: Performance Data by Playing Position for Value Group 7**

Position	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity to Starter Yr			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
QB	53	28	11	4	10	115	451	25	7	0	4	1	2	5.7	8.7	11.0	1	0	0	0
RB	93	41	25	8	19	214	919	62	17	1	5	8	4	3.6	6.7	9.8	5	2	1	0
WR	136	67	39	14	16	231	694	37	7	0	2	1	4	4.6	6.6	8.5	5	0	1	0
TE	63	26	15	9	13	156	536	30	12	3	8	0	4	3.8	5.8	8.0	1	0	0	0
OL	149	70	30	17	32	358	2,337	147	35	4	13	10	12	2.9	5.0	6.7	3	2	1	0
DL	150	60	46	16	28	327	1,371	77	27	1	17	4	6	4.7	6.5	7.8	0	0	0	0
LB	108	30	36	15	27	319	1,178	74	21	1	10	5	6	4.2	5.8	7.8	1	1	1	0
DB	132	45	40	18	29	335	1,624	95	24	6	8	6	10	3.0	4.9	6.4	1	1	0	0
K	23	11	5	1	6	72	-	-									1	0	1	0
All	907	378	247	102	180	2,127	9,110	547	150	16	67	35	48				18	6	5	0

**Table : Percentages and Per Player Information for Value Group 7**

Position	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Starting Years Distribution			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
QB	53	53%	21%	8%	19%	2.2	8.5	0.5	13%	0%	57%	14%	29%	2%	0%	0%	0%
RB	93	44%	27%	9%	20%	2.3	9.9	0.7	18%	1%	29%	47%	24%	5%	2%	1%	0%
WR	136	49%	29%	10%	12%	1.7	5.1	0.3	5%	0%	29%	14%	57%	4%	0%	1%	0%
TE	63	41%	24%	14%	21%	2.5	8.5	0.5	19%	5%	67%	0%	33%	2%	0%	0%	0%
OL	149	47%	20%	11%	21%	2.4	15.7	1.0	23%	3%	37%	29%	34%	2%	1%	1%	0%
DL	150	40%	31%	11%	19%	2.2	9.1	0.5	18%	1%	63%	15%	22%	0%	0%	0%	0%
LB	108	28%	33%	14%	25%	3.0	10.9	0.7	19%	1%	48%	24%	29%	1%	1%	1%	0%
DB	132	34%	30%	14%	22%	2.5	12.3	0.7	18%	5%	33%	25%	42%	1%	1%	0%	0%
K	23	0%	0%	0%	26%	3.1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	4%	0%	4%	0%
All	907	42%	27%	11%	20%	2.3	10.0	0.6	17%	2%	45%	23%	32%	2%	1%	1%	0%

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**Table: Performance Data by Value Group for Quarterbacks**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	21	0	1	4	16	171	1,772	114	20	11	5	3	12	1.5	3.6	6.2	8	5	1	1
2	7	0	2	0	5	41	207	13	4	1	2	1	1	4.5	3.5	7.0	0	0	0	0
3	9	0	1	1	7	75	678	45	7	2	3	0	4	1.9	3.5	5.5	3	2	2	1
4	10	1	0	3	6	62	329	19	5	3	2	1	2	1.6	3.7	6.0	1	0	0	0
5	31	2	6	5	18	147	458	22	9	1	6	2	1	3.7	6.0	7.0	1	0	0	0
6	44	9	16	5	14	165	959	61	13	0	6	0	7	3.5	4.9	8.3	6	2	1	0
7	53	28	11	4	10	115	451	25	7	0	4	1	2	5.7	8.7	11.0	1	0	0	0
All	175	40	37	22	76	776	4,854	299	65	18	28	8	29	2.9	4.5	7.2	20	9	4	2

**Table: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Quarterbacks**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	21	0%	5%	19%	76%	8.1	84.4	5.4	95%	52%	25%	15%	60%	38%	24%	5%	5%
2	7	0%	29%	0%	71%	5.9	29.6	1.9	57%	14%	50%	25%	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%
3	9	0%	11%	11%	78%	8.3	75.3	5.0	78%	22%	43%	0%	57%	33%	22%	22%	11%
4	10	10%	0%	30%	60%	6.2	32.9	1.9	50%	30%	40%	20%	40%	10%	0%	0%	0%
5	31	6%	19%	16%	58%	4.7	14.8	0.7	29%	3%	67%	22%	11%	3%	0%	0%	0%
6	44	20%	36%	11%	32%	3.8	21.8	1.4	30%	0%	46%	0%	54%	14%	5%	2%	0%
7	53	53%	21%	8%	19%	2.2	8.5	0.5	13%	0%	57%	14%	29%	2%	0%	0%	0%
All	175	23%	21%	13%	43%	4.4	27.7	1.7	37%	10%	43%	12%	45%	11%	5%	2%	1%

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**Table: Performance Data by Value Group for Running Backs**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	17	0	0	2	15	147	1,507	100	17	11	6	1	10	1.5	3.6	6.2	8	4	6	2
2	27	0	1	5	21	187	1,503	97	26	11	13	5	8	2.0	4.2	5.8	7	3	4	1
3	33	0	3	8	22	220	1,377	86	21	8	7	6	8	2.1	4.8	6.1	8	5	3	1
4	29	0	3	5	21	187	1,112	74	18	7	7	5	6	2.6	4.5	6.5	4	1	2	0
5	71	2	14	18	37	369	1,612	98	30	10	14	8	8	2.7	5.4	7.1	5	3	2	0
6	125	25	30	22	48	477	1,633	98	30	11	14	6	10	2.4	5.0	7.2	10	3	9	2
7	93	41	25	8	19	214	919	62	17	1	5	8	4	3.6	6.7	9.8	5	2	1	0
All	395	68	76	68	183	1,801	9,663	615	159	59	66	39	54				47	21	27	

**Table: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Running Backs**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	17	0%	0%	12%	88%	8.6	88.6	5.9	100%	65%	35%	6%	59%	47%	24%	35%	12%
2	27	0%	4%	19%	78%	6.9	55.7	3.6	96%	41%	50%	19%	31%	26%	11%	15%	4%
3	33	0%	9%	24%	67%	6.7	41.7	2.6	64%	24%	33%	29%	38%	24%	15%	9%	3%
4	29	0%	10%	17%	72%	6.4	38.3	2.6	62%	24%	39%	28%	33%	14%	3%	7%	0%
5	71	3%	20%	25%	52%	5.2	22.7	1.4	42%	14%	47%	27%	27%	7%	4%	3%	0%
6	125	20%	24%	18%	38%	3.8	13.1	0.8	24%	9%	47%	20%	33%	8%	2%	7%	2%
7	93	44%	27%	9%	20%	2.3	9.9	0.7	18%	1%	29%	47%	24%	5%	2%	1%	0%
All	395	17%	19%	17%	46%	4.6	24.5	1.6	40%	15%	42%	25%	34%	12%	5%	7%	2%

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**Table: Performance Data by Value Group for Wide Receivers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	22	0	0	1	21	196	1,947	128	21	12	3	4	14	1.8	3.6	6.0	8	4	5	1
2	23	0	2	4	17	166	1,712	115	21	10	7	4	10	1.9	3.8	5.8	5	3	3	2
3	41	0	3	6	32	297	2,438	156	29	11	7	8	14	2.2	4.5	6.3	6	4	3	0
4	49	1	7	11	30	281	1,725	105	25	8	5	10	10	2.4	4.9	7.2	3	1	2	0
5	61	5	6	18	32	341	2,132	129	32	6	16	4	12	2.7	5.9	7.6	8	2	4	1
6	147	40	41	24	42	444	1,518	85	30	4	16	8	6	3.7	6.3	7.0	5	1	4	0
7	136	67	39	14	16	231	694	37	7	0	2	1	4	4.6	6.6	8.5	5	0	1	0
All	479	113	98	78	190	1,956	12,166	755	165	51	56	39	70				40	15	22	4

**Table: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Wide Receivers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	22	0%	0%	5%	95%	8.9	88.5	5.8	95%	55%	14%	19%	67%	36%	18%	23%	5%
2	23	0%	9%	17%	74%	7.2	74.4	5.0	91%	43%	33%	19%	48%	22%	13%	13%	9%
3	41	0%	7%	15%	78%	7.2	59.5	3.8	71%	27%	24%	28%	48%	15%	10%	7%	0%
4	49	2%	14%	22%	61%	5.7	35.2	2.1	51%	16%	20%	40%	40%	6%	2%	4%	0%
5	61	8%	10%	30%	52%	5.6	35.0	2.1	52%	10%	50%	13%	38%	13%	3%	7%	2%
6	147	27%	28%	16%	29%	3.0	10.3	0.6	20%	3%	53%	27%	20%	3%	1%	3%	0%
7	136	49%	29%	10%	12%	1.7	5.1	0.3	5%	0%	29%	14%	57%	4%	0%	1%	0%
All	479	24%	20%	16%	40%	4.1	25.4	1.6	34%	11%	34%	24%	42%	8%	3%	5%	1%

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**Table: Performance Data by Value Group for Tight Ends**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	3	0	0	0	3	35	452	30	3	2	0	0	3	1.3	3.3	5.3	1	1	1	1
2	12	0	0	1	11	97	1,000	70	12	6	2	2	8	1.8	3.5	5.5	4	1	2	0
3	15	0	1	0	14	127	1,312	89	13	6	2	1	10	1.8	4.0	6.1	3	1	0	0
4	19	0	2	2	15	119	862	52	14	5	5	3	6	2.0	4.9	7.3	2	1	1	0
5	25	0	1	7	17	162	910	56	17	5	8	4	5	2.8	4.8	6.6	0	0	0	0
6	86	7	21	22	36	399	2,014	113	37	4	22	7	8	3.0	5.6	7.3	5	4	2	1
7	63	26	15	9	13	156	536	30	12	3	8	0	4	3.8	5.8	8.0	1	0	0	0
All	223	33	40	41	109	1,095	7,086	440	108	31	47	17	44				16	8	6	2

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		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	3	0%	0%	0%	100%	11.7	150.7	10.0	100%	67%	0%	0%	100%	33%	33%	33%	33%
2	12	0%	0%	8%	92%	8.1	83.3	5.8	100%	50%	17%	17%	67%	33%	8%	17%	0%
3	15	0%	7%	0%	93%	8.5	87.5	5.9	87%	40%	15%	8%	77%	20%	7%	0%	0%
4	19	0%	11%	11%	79%	6.3	45.4	2.7	74%	26%	36%	21%	43%	11%	5%	5%	0%
5	25	0%	4%	28%	68%	6.5	36.4	2.2	68%	20%	47%	24%	29%	0%	0%	0%	0%
6	86	8%	24%	26%	42%	4.6	23.4	1.3	43%	5%	59%	19%	22%	6%	5%	2%	1%
7	63	41%	24%	14%	21%	2.5	8.5	0.5	19%	5%	67%	0%	33%	2%	0%	0%	0%
All	223	15%	18%	18%	49%	4.9	31.8	2.0	48%	14%	44%	16%	41%	7%	4%	3%	1%

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		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	25	0	0	0	25	243	3,226	212	25	20	2	1	22	1.2	3.3	5.4	14	9	10	6
2	35	0	4	1	30	274	3,386	223	34	22	7	3	24	1.4	3.5	5.6	8	4	3	2
3	45	0	2	8	35	338	3,651	237	42	24	8	10	24	2.0	4.1	5.9	9	4	3	2
4	59	4	8	3	44	387	3,773	239	44	12	9	10	25	2.1	4.5	6.2	4	3	4	0
5	92	8	19	11	54	510	4,412	277	61	9	24	10	27	3.0	4.8	6.8	2	2	1	0
6	198	60	36	29	73	706	4,596	289	71	14	28	18	25	3.0	5.2	6.7	3	1	1	0
7	149	70	30	17	32	358	2,337	147	35	4	13	10	12	2.9	5.0	6.7	3	2	1	0
All	603	142	99	69	293	2,816	25,381	1,624	312	105	91	62	159	2.5	4.5	6.3	43	25	23	10

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		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	25	0%	0%	0%	100%	9.7	129.0	8.5	100%	80%	8%	4%	88%	56%	36%	40%	24%
2	35	0%	11%	3%	86%	7.8	96.7	6.4	97%	63%	21%	9%	71%	23%	11%	9%	6%
3	45	0%	4%	18%	78%	7.5	81.1	5.3	93%	53%	19%	24%	57%	20%	9%	7%	4%
4	59	7%	14%	5%	75%	6.6	63.9	4.1	75%	20%	20%	23%	57%	7%	5%	7%	0%
5	92	9%	21%	12%	59%	5.5	48.0	3.0	66%	10%	39%	16%	44%	2%	2%	1%	0%
6	198	30%	18%	15%	37%	3.6	23.2	1.5	36%	7%	39%	25%	35%	2%	1%	1%	0%
7	149	47%	20%	11%	21%	2.4	15.7	1.0	23%	3%	37%	29%	34%	2%	1%	1%	0%
All	603	24%	16%	11%	49%	4.7	42.1	2.7	52%	17%	29%	20%	51%	7%	4%	4%	2%

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Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	50	0	0	4	46	429	5,125	341	48	32	5	7	36	1.5	3.7	5.7	21	13	10	5
2	41	0	2	7	32	332	3,202	206	34	11	6	5	23	2.5	4.1	6.4	11	7	7	0
3	48	2	9	7	30	281	2,461	162	32	10	5	10	17	2.2	4.4	6.5	7	2	2	1
4	69	3	6	6	54	491	4,015	257	51	8	10	13	28	2.9	5.2	6.8	8	3	4	1
5	80	6	24	10	40	398	2,531	160	38	5	13	9	16	2.9	5.4	7.1	1	0	1	0
6	184	29	46	30	79	810	4,443	274	78	8	39	19	20	3.4	5.7	7.1	9	3	3	0
7	150	60	46	16	28	327	1,371	77	27	1	17	4	6	4.7	6.5	7.8	0	0	0	0
All	622	100	133	80	309	3,068	23,148	1,477	308	75	95	67	146	2.8	4.9	6.8	57	28	27	7

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Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	50	0%	0%	8%	92%	8.6	102.5	6.8	96%	64%	10%	15%	75%	42%	26%	20%	10%
2	41	0%	5%	17%	78%	8.1	78.1	5.0	83%	27%	18%	15%	68%	27%	17%	17%	0%
3	48	4%	19%	15%	63%	5.9	51.3	3.4	67%	21%	16%	31%	53%	15%	4%	4%	2%
4	69	4%	9%	9%	78%	7.1	58.2	3.7	74%	12%	20%	25%	55%	12%	4%	6%	1%
5	80	8%	30%	13%	50%	5.0	31.6	2.0	48%	6%	34%	24%	42%	1%	0%	1%	0%
6	184	16%	25%	16%	43%	4.4	24.1	1.5	42%	4%	50%	24%	26%	5%	2%	2%	0%
7	150	40%	31%	11%	19%	2.2	9.1	0.5	18%	1%	63%	15%	22%	0%	0%	0%	0%
All	622	16%	21%	13%	50%	4.9	37.2	2.4	50%	12%	31%	22%	47%	9%	5%	4%	1%

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**Table: Performance Data by Value Group for Linebackers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	20	0	0	2	18	178	2,102	138	19	11	2	2	15	1.4	3.8	5.8	10	5	7	2
2	21	0	3	0	18	169	1,967	126	20	12	2	2	16	1.4	3.9	6.2	6	4	6	2
3	31	0	2	3	26	234	2,345	158	26	15	5	2	19	1.8	3.5	5.7	4	2	3	0
4	54	0	6	10	38	352	2,668	175	37	11	11	10	16	2.5	4.3	6.5	3	2	2	0
5	80	7	12	12	49	462	3,494	229	49	8	14	11	24	2.7	4.8	6.4	4	1	1	0
6	167	32	46	25	64	638	3,311	210	53	6	20	13	20	2.9	5.1	7.0	7	3	3	1
7	108	30	36	15	27	319	1,178	74	21	1	10	5	6	4.2	5.8	7.8	1	1	1	0
All	481	69	105	67	240	2,352	17,065	1,110	225	64	64	45	116				35	18	23	5

**Table: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Linebackers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	20	0%	0%	10%	90%	8.9	105.1	6.9	95%	55%	11%	11%	79%	50%	25%	35%	10%
2	21	0%	14%	0%	86%	8.0	93.7	6.0	95%	57%	10%	10%	80%	29%	19%	29%	10%
3	31	0%	6%	10%	84%	7.5	75.6	5.1	84%	48%	19%	8%	73%	13%	6%	10%	0%
4	54	0%	11%	19%	70%	6.5	49.4	3.2	69%	20%	30%	27%	43%	6%	4%	4%	0%
5	80	9%	15%	15%	61%	5.8	43.7	2.9	61%	10%	29%	22%	49%	5%	1%	1%	0%
6	167	19%	28%	15%	38%	3.8	19.8	1.3	32%	4%	38%	25%	38%	4%	2%	2%	1%
7	108	28%	33%	14%	25%	3.0	10.9	0.7	19%	1%	48%	24%	29%	1%	1%	1%	0%
All	481	14%	22%	14%	50%	4.9	35.5	2.3	47%	13%	28%	20%	52%	7%	4%	5%	1%

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Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Career Starts	Starter Years	# of Starters	Rookie Starters	Years as Starter			Avg Velocity			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3	5	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U
1	24	0	0	2	22	221	2,614	172	22	18	1	4	17	1.2	3.4	5.4	12	5	6	1
2	43	0	1	1	41	354	3,476	230	40	16	7	7	26	1.8	4.1	6.1	9	5	7	1
3	58	0	3	5	50	462	4,603	298	52	20	6	11	35	2.2	4.5	6.9	14	4	10	2
4	71	0	6	15	50	484	4,075	249	49	17	16	8	25	2.4	4.1	6.0	11	5	8	4
5	107	5	19	27	56	572	2,786	161	45	9	24	4	17	2.8	4.9	6.8	5	1	4	1
6	233	40	57	54	82	874	3,717	218	68	11	36	14	18	3.0	5.4	7.3	8	2	4	0
7	132	45	40	18	29	335	1,624	95	24	6	8	6	10	3.0	4.9	6.4	1	1	0	0
All	668	90	126	122	330	3,302	22,895	1,423	300	97	98	54	148				60	23	39	9

**Table: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Defensive Backs**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Avg Career Starts	Avg Starter Years	% of Starters	% of Rookie Starters	Stg Years Dist			Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+						1-2	3-4	5+	1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R
1	24	0%	0%	8%	92%	9.2	108.9	7.2	92%	75%	5%	18%	77%	50%	21%	25%	4%
2	43	0%	2%	2%	95%	8.2	80.8	5.3	93%	37%	18%	18%	65%	21%	12%	16%	2%
3	58	0%	5%	9%	86%	8.0	79.4	5.1	90%	34%	12%	21%	67%	24%	7%	17%	3%
4	71	0%	8%	21%	70%	6.8	57.4	3.5	69%	24%	33%	16%	51%	15%	7%	11%	6%
5	107	5%	18%	25%	52%	5.3	26.0	1.5	42%	8%	53%	9%	38%	5%	1%	4%	1%
6	233	17%	24%	23%	35%	3.8	16.0	0.9	29%	5%	53%	21%	26%	3%	1%	2%	0%
7	132	34%	30%	14%	22%	2.5	12.3	0.7	18%	5%	33%	25%	42%	1%	1%	0%	0%
All	668	13%	19%	18%	49%	4.9	34.3	2.1	45%	15%	33%	18%	49%	9%	3%	6%	1%

Notes:

1. A player is credited with a year played only if he participates in at least one game that season
2. A player is credited with a starter year only if he starts at least 8 games that season
3. "Average Velocity to Starter Year" is the number of years it took players to reach that milestone. Only players who did reach the milestone are included in the average
4. Average Career Years, Average Career Starts and Average Starter Years are calculated based on all players drafted

**Table 5-36: Performance Data by Value Group for Kickers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Length of Career				Career Years	Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1-2	3-4	5+		1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	1	0	0	0	1	10	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	4	0	1	0	3	50	3	0	1	0
5	13	1	3	2	7	91	1	0	1	0
6	20	5	6	0	9	101	3	2	4	1
7	23	11	5	1	6	72	1	0	1	0
All	61	17	15	3	26	324	8	2	7	1

**Table 5-37: Percentages and Per Player Information by Value Group for Kickers**

Value Group	# Drafted	Career Length Distribution				Avg Career Years	Pro Bowl		All Pro	
		0	1	3	5+		1	3+	1	3+
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	0%	0%
2	1	0%	0%	0%	0%	10.0	0%	0%	0%	0%
3	0	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	0%	0%
4	4	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	75%	0%	25%	0%
5	13	8%	23%	15%	54%	7.0	8%	0%	8%	0%
6	20	25%	30%	0%	45%	5.1	15%	10%	20%	5%
7	23	48%	22%	4%	26%	3.1	4%	0%	4%	0%
All	61	28%	25%	5%	43%	5.3	13%	3%	11%	2%

Notes:

1. A player is credited with a year played only if he participates in at least one game that season
2. Average Career Years is calculated based on all players drafted