



Schools Producing The Most NFL Players: 1998-2002

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A Graphic Presentation

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Cumulative 1998-2002 Ranking of Schools With Most NFL Players

TOP TEN					
School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
Notre Dame	218	96	44%	136	62%
Florida State	211	117	55%	83	39%
Miami	186	82	44%	68	37%
Texas A&M	182	73	40%	36	20%
Tennessee	181	76	42%	60	33%
Penn State	173	80	46%	77	45%
Michigan	172	78	45%	61	35%
Florida	169	73	43%	51	30%
Ohio State	168	74	44%	40	24%
North Carolina	161	67	42%	81	50%
AVERAGE	182.1	81.6		69.3	
RANGE PER SEASON	44-32	23-13	55%-40%	27-7	62%-20%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	36.4	16.3	45%	13.9	38%
SECOND TEN					
School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
Nebraska	160	74	46%	75	47%
USC	157	73	46%	61	39%
Washington	154	70	45%	51	33%
Colorado	147	72	49%	61	41%
Georgia	144	81	56%	44	31%
Virginia	136	60	44%	60	44%
California	133	59	44%	68	51%
UCLA	131	58	44%	48	37%
Arizona State	129	53	41%	48	37%
Wisconsin	129	30	23%	34	26%
Auburn	128	55	43%	29	23%
AVERAGE	140.7	62.3		52.6	
RANGE PER SEASON	32-26	16-6	56%-23%	15-6	51%-23%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	28.1	12.5	44%	10.5	37%
THIRD TEN					
School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
LSU	126	42	33%	41	33%
Syracuse	126	67	53%	66	52%
Michigan State	121	50	41%	29	24%
Boston College	105	45	43%	69	66%
Pittsburgh	94	43	46%	31	33%
Stanford	94	36	38%	40	43%
Arizona	93	27	29%	26	28%
West Virginia	93	44	47%	24	26%
Clemson	85	36	42%	41	48%
Illinois	82	31	38%	44	54%
Washington State	82	31	38%	9	11%
Virginia Tech	79	24	30%	30	38%
Iowa	72	21	29%	22	31%
Texas	72	35	49%	13	18%
Alabama	66	32	48%	13	20%
AVERAGE	92.7	37.6		33.2	
RANGE PER SEASON	25-13	13-4	53%-29%	14-2	66%-11%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	18.5	7.5	40%	6.6	32%

Individual Season Ranking of Schools With Most NFL Players

1998
TOP TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Notre Dame	41	16	39%	28	68%
Florida State	43	20		18	42%
Penn State	39	17	44%	19	49%
Miami	38	14	37%	19	50%
North Carolina	38	12	32%	20	53%
Tennessee	35	13	37%	15	43%
Washington	35	14	40%	11	31%
Colorado	34	14	41%	15	44%
Nebraska	34	10	29%	14	41%
Ohio State	33	9	27%	8	24%
Texas A&M	31	12	39%	8	26%
USC	30	14	47%	14	47%
Stanford	29	10	34%	14	48%
AVERAGE	35	13	37%	16	44%

NEXT TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Alabama	27	9	33%	6	22%
Arizona State	27	9	33%	12	44%
California	27	9	33%	12	44%
Michigan	27	6	22%	11	41%
Pittsburgh	27	12	44%	12	44%
UCLA	27	14	52%	12	44%
Florida	26	10	38%	11	42%
Syracuse	26	10	38%	18	69%
LSU	25	6	24%	11	44%
Auburn	24	8	33%	7	29%
Virginia	24	9	38%	12	50%
Arizona	23	5	22%	7	30%
Clemson	23	5	22%	12	52%
Michigan State	23	11	48%	9	39%
Wisconsin	23	1	4%	5	22%
Georgia	22	19	86%	6	27%
Boston College	21	7	33%	16	76%
Washington State	21	7	33%	2	10%
Iowa	19	6	32%	7	37%
Virginia Tech	19	5	26%	6	32%
Indiana	18	6	33%	8	44%
North Carolina State	18	3	17%	6	33%
Maryland	17	3	18%	6	35%
San Diego State	17	6	35%	6	35%
West Virginia	17	9	53%	4	24%
AVERAGE	23	8	34%	9	39%

1999
TOP TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Notre Dame	46	24	52%	32	70%
Florida State	42	19	45%	19	45%
Washington	37	17	46%	13	35%
Texas A&M	37	12	32%	9	24%
North Carolina	36	10	28%	18	50%
Miami	35	17	49%	17	49%
Tennessee	35	10	29%	13	37%
Penn State	35	15	43%	16	46%
Michigan	33	16	48%	16	48%
USC	33	14	42%	14	42%
Florida	32	12	38%	13	41%
Colorado	30	17	57%	13	43%
Ohio State	30	16	53%	10	33%
Auburn	29	12	41%	8	28%
Virginia	29	14	48%	14	48%
Nebraska	28	14	50%	13	46%

AVERAGE	34	15	44%	15	43%
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NEXT TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Stanford	27	10	37%	13	48%
UCLA	26	13	50%	13	50%
California	26	10	38%	12	46%
Georgia	26	13	50%	9	35%
Pittsburgh	26	12	46%	9	35%
Arizona State	26	9	35%	10	38%
Arizona	25	6	24%	7	28%
LSU	23	10	43%	9	39%
Syracuse	22	12	55%	14	64%
Michigan State	22	9	41%	7	32%
Clemson	22	10	45%	10	45%
Boston College	21	11	52%	16	76%
Wisconsin	21	5	24%	6	29%
Alabama	19	11	58%	4	21%
Washington State	19	7	37%	2	11%
Illinois	18	7	39%	9	50%
Maryland	18	6	33%	6	33%
West Virginia	18	7	39%	3	17%
Oklahoma	17	5	29%	2	12%
North Carolina State	17	3	18%	3	18%
Texas	16	9	56%	4	25%
Fresno State	16	7	44%	1	6%
Iowa	16	3	19%	6	38%
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AVERAGE	21	8	39%	8	35%
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2000
TOP TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Notre Dame	41	22	54%	27	66%
Florida State	39	25	64%	18	46%
Florida	38	17	45%	11	29%
Michigan	38	14	37%	14	37%
Miami	37	16	43%	13	35%
Tennessee	37	15	41%	13	35%
Texas A&M	37	18	49%	6	16%
Ohio State	36	17	47%	9	25%
Penn State	34	16	47%	16	47%
USC	34	17	50%	12	35%
Georgia	30	11	37%	10	33%
Nebraska	30	16	53%	12	40%
UCLA	30	12	40%	11	37%
California	29	12	41%	14	48%
Colorado	29	14	48%	13	45%
Virginia	28	15	54%	12	43%
Washington	28	15	54%	11	39%
North Carolina	27	16	59%	16	59%
Syracuse	27	14	52%	12	44%

AVERAGE 33 16 48% 13 40%

NEXT TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Arizona State	26	13	50%	10	38%
LSU	26	10	38%	3	12%
Auburn	25	10	40%	6	24%
Wisconsin	25	9	36%	5	20%
Arizona	24	8	33%	7	29%
Michigan State	24	8	33%	5	21%
Boston College	22	11	50%	13	59%
Stanford	21	9	43%	7	33%
Alabama	20	12	60%	3	15%
Clemson	20	10	50%	9	45%
Pittsburgh	20	9	45%	5	25%
Virginia Tech	20	4	20%	7	35%
Washington State	20	8	40%	2	10%
Texas	18	8	44%	3	17%
West Virginia	18	9	50%	4	22%
Illinois	18	9	50%	9	50%
Oklahoma	17	7	41%	2	12%
Colorado State	17	3	18%	4	24%
Kansas State	17	6	35%	4	24%
Mississippi State	17	9	53%	3	18%
San Diego State	17	8	47%	4	24%
Fresno State	16	7	44%	1	6%
Mississippi	16	7	44%	7	44%
South Carolina	16	6	38%	6	38%
Maryland	14	4	29%	3	21%
North Carolina State	14	4	29%	3	21%
Oregon	14	3	21%	6	43%
Purdue	14	4	29%	4	29%
Wake Forest	14	2	14%	3	21%

AVERAGE 19 7 39% 5 27%

2001
TOP TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Florida State	43	28	65%	15	35%
Notre Dame	41	17	41%	26	63%
Texas A&M	39	15	38%	6	18%
Miami	39	18	46%	12	32%
Michigan	36	22	61%	12	33%
Ohio State	35	16	46%	9	25%
Penn State	35	17	49%	14	41%
Tennessee	35	19	54%	11	48%
Nebraska	33	16	48%	21	64%
Florida	31	18	58%	8	19%
Georgia	30	17	57%	9	30%
North Carolina	30	13	43%	14	47%
Wisconsin	30	9	30%	10	33%
USC	28	14	50%	10	38%
Virginia	27	9	33%	12	44%

AVERAGE 34 17 34% 13 34%

NEXT TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
LSU	26	9	35%	10	35%
Colorado	26	13	50%	11	42%
Michigan State	26	11	42%	4	15%
Arizona State	26	12	46%	10	31%
California	26	13	50%	15	54%
Syracuse	26	15	58%	13	54%
Washington	26	13	50%	8	31%
Auburn	25	13	52%	4	16%
UCLA	24	9	38%	7	25%
Illinois	23	5	22%	14	61%
Mississippi	21	8	38%	7	38%
Pittsburgh	21	10	48%	5	24%
Arizona	21	8	38%	5	24%
Kansas State	20	7	35%	7	35%
Clemson	20	11	55%	10	50%
West Virginia	20	7	35%	7	35%
Boston College	20	9	45%	13	65%
San Diego State	18	6	33%	4	22%
Iowa	17	6	35%	5	29%
Texas	17	10	59%	3	18%
Mississippi State	17	9	53%	3	18%
Stanford	17	7	41%	6	35%
Virginia Tech	17	6	35%	11	65%
Maryland	16	3	19%	2	13%
Brigham Young	15	5	33%	6	40%
Purdue	15	6	40%	5	33%
Oklahoma	15	3	20%	1	7%
Marshall	15	4	27%	8	53%

AVERAGE 21 9 40% 7 35%

2002
TOP TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Notre Dame	49	17	35%	23	47%
Florida State	44	25	57%	13	30%
Florida	42	16	38%	8	19%
Tennessee	39	19	49%	8	21%
Michigan	38	20	53%	8	21%
Texas A&M	38	16	42%	7	18%
Miami	37	17	46%	7	19%
Georgia	36	21	58%	10	28%
Nebraska	35	18	51%	15	43%
Ohio State	34	16	47%	4	12%
USC	32	14	44%	11	34%
<i>AVERAGE</i>	<i>39</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>47%</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>26%</i>

NEXT TEN

School	Players in NFL	Starters	% Starting	Number With Degrees	% With Degrees
Wisconsin	30	6	20%	8	27%
Penn State	30	15	50%	12	40%
North Carolina	30	16	53%	13	43%
Colorado	28	14	50%	9	32%
Virginia	28	13	46%	10	36%
Washington	28	11	39%	8	29%
Kansas State	27	8	30%	3	11%
LSU	26	7	27%	8	31%
Michigan State	26	11	42%	4	15%
Auburn	25	12	48%	4	16%
California	25	15	60%	15	60%
Syracuse	25	16	64%	9	36%
UCLA	24	10	42%	5	21%
Arizona State	24	10	42%	6	25%
Virginia Tech	23	9	39%	6	26%
Illinois	23	10	43%	12	52%
Brigham Young	22	7	32%	5	23%
Washington State	22	9	41%	3	14%
Boston College	21	7	33%	11	52%
Mississippi	21	10	48%	7	33%
Texas	21	8	38%	3	14%
West Virginia	20	12	60%	6	30%
Iowa	20	6	30%	4	20%
<i>AVERAGE</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>30%</i>

Ranking by Conferences

School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
INDEPENDENT					
Notre Dame	218	96	44%	136	62%
TOTAL	218	96		136	
RANGE PER SEASON	44	23	55%	27	62%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	44	23	55%	27	62%
PAC-10					
Washington	154	70	45%	51	33%
California	133	59	44%	68	51%
UCLA	131	58	44%	48	37%
Arizona State	129	53	41%	48	37%
Stanford	94	36	38%	40	43%
Arizona	93	27	29%	26	28%
Washington State	82	31	38%	9	11%
AVERAGE	116.6	47.7		41.4	
RANGE PER SEASON	31-16	14-5	45%-29%	14-2	51%-11%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	23.3	9.5	40%	8.3	34%
BIG TEN					
Penn State	173	80	46%	77	45%
Michigan	172	78	45%	61	35%
Ohio State	168	74	44%	40	24%
Wisconsin	129	30	23%	34	26%
Michigan State	121	50	41%	29	24%
Illinois	82	31	38%	44	54%
Iowa	72	21	29%	22	31%
AVERAGE	131	52		43.9	
RANGE PER SEASON	35-14	16-4	46%-23%	15-4	54%-24%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	26.2	10.4	38%	8.8	34%
BIG EAST					
Miami	186	82	44%	68	37%
Syracuse	126	67	53%	66	52%
Boston College	105	45	43%	69	66%
Pittsburgh	94	43	46%	31	33%
West Virginia	93	44	47%	24	26%
Virginia Tech	79	24	30%	30	38%
AVERAGE	113.8	50.8		48	
RANGE PER SEASON	37-16	16-5	53%-30%	14-5	66%-26%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	22.8	10.2	44%	9.6	42%

School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
SEC					
Florida	169	73	43%	51	30%
Georgia	144	81	56%	44	31%
Auburn	128	55	43%	29	23%
LSU	126	42	33%	41	33%
Alabama	66	32	48%	13	20%
AVERAGE	126.6	56.6		35.6	
RANGE PER SEASON	34-13	16-6	56%-33%	10-3	33%-20%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	25.3	11.3	45%	7.1	27%
ACC					
North Carolina	161	67	42%	81	50%
Virginia	136	60	44%	60	44%
Clemson	85	36	42%	41	48%
AVERAGE	127.3	54.3		60.7	
RANGE PER SEASON	32-17	13-7	44%-42%	16-8	50%-44%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	25.5	10.9	43%	12.1	48%
BIG 12					
Nebraska	160	74	46%	75	47%
Colorado	147	72	49%	61	41%
Texas	72	35	49%	13	18%
AVERAGE	126.3	60.3		49.7	
RANGE PER SEASON	32-14	15-7	49%-46%	15-3	47%-18%
AVERAGE PER SEASON	25.3	12.1	48%	9.9	35%

Charting Changes in Rankings of Schools by Season

Rank	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
1	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Florida State	Notre Dame
2	Florida State	Florida State	Florida State	Notre Dame	Florida State
3	Penn State	Texas A & M	Michigan	Miami	Florida
		Washington	Florida	Texas A & M	
4	North Carolina	North Carolina	Texas A & M	Michigan	Tennessee
	Miami		Tennessee		
			Miami		
5	Washington	Penn State	Ohio State	Penn State	Texas A & M
	Tennessee	Tennessee		Tennessee	Michigan
		Miami		Ohio State	
6	Nebraska	Michigan	Penn State	Nebraska	Miami
	Colorado	USC	USC		
7	Ohio State	Florida	Nebraska	Florida	Georgia
			Georgia		
8	Texas A & M	Ohio State	Colorado	North Carolina	Nebraska
		Colorado		Georgia	
9	USC	(Virginia)	Washington	USC	Ohio State
10	(Stanford)	Nebraska	North Carolina	(Virginia)	USC
11	Michigan			Washington	Penn State
				Colorado	North Carolina
12	Florida	Georgia			Washington
					Colorado
13					
14					
15					
16	Georgia				

Significant Gains

Georgia
Florida
Michigan

Significant Declines

Penn State
North Carolina
Washington

Cumulative Rankings of Players with Degrees

PERCENTAGE OF PLAYERS WITH DEGREES

School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
50% & ABOVE WITH DEGREES					
Boston College	105	45	43%	69	66%
Notre Dame	218	96	44%	136	62%
Illinois	82	31	38%	44	54%
California	133	59	44%	68	51%
Syracuse	126	67	53%	66	52%
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30%-39%					
Florida State	211	117	55%	83	39%
USC	157	73	46%	61	39%
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Georgia	144	81	56%	44	31%
Iowa	72	21	29%	22	31%
Florida	169	73	43%	51	30%
20%-29%					
Arizona	93	27	29%	26	28%
West Virginia	93	44	47%	24	26%
Wisconsin	129	30	23%	34	26%

PERCENTAGE OF PLAYERS WITH DEGREES

School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
20%-29% cont'd					
Ohio State	168	74	44%	40	24%
Michigan State	121	50	41%	29	24%
Auburn	128	55	43%	29	23%
Alabama	66	32	48%	13	20%
Texas A&M	182	73	40%	36	20%
BELOW 20%					
Texas	72	35	49%	13	18%
Washington State	82	31	38%	9	11%

Cumulative Rankings of Starters by School

BY PERCENTAGE OF STARTERS

School	Number of Players	Starters	% Starters	With Degrees	% Degrees
TOP TEN					
Georgia	144	81	56%	44	31%
Florida State	211	117	55%	83	39%
Syracuse	126	67	53%	66	52%
Colorado	147	72	49%	61	41%
Texas	72	35	49%	13	18%
Alabama	66	32	48%	13	20%
West Virginia	93	44	47%	24	26%
USC	157	73	46%	61	39%
Nebraska	160	74	46%	75	47%
Penn State	173	80	46%	77	45%
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Notre Dame	218	96	44%	136	62%
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NEXT EIGHT					
Clemson	85	36	42%	41	48%
Tennessee	181	76	42%	60	33%
North Carolina	161	67	42%	81	50%
Michigan State	121	50	41%	29	24%
Arizona State	129	53	41%	48	37%
Texas A&M	182	73	40%	36	20%
Stanford	94	36	38%	40	43%
Illinois	82	31	38%	44	54%
Washington State	82	31	38%	9	11%

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NEXT EIGHT cont'd					
LSU	126	42	33%	41	33%
Virginia Tech	79	24	30%	30	38%
Iowa	72	21	29%	22	31%
Arizona	93	27	29%	26	28%
Wisconsin	129	30	23%	34	26%

