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ACTIVE CAREER SCORING LEADERS (Tourney participants only)**Points:**

Riese Gaber, North Dakota – 129
Collin Graf, Quinnipiac – 129
Massimo Rizzo, Denver – 126
Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 115
Gabriel Seger, Cornell – 115
Carter Wilkie, RIT – 111
Elijah Gonsalves, RIT – 107
Jack Devine, Denver – 105
Lynden Breen, Maine – 102
Luke Grainger, Western Michigan – 102

Goals:

Riese Gaber, North Dakota – 64
Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 59
Collin Graf, Quinnipiac – 54
Cutter Gauthier, Boston College – 51
Dylan Duke, Michigan – 50
Elijah Gonsalves, RIT – 46
Logan Pietila, Michigan Tech – 45
Jack Randl, Omaha – 45
Sam Colangelo, Western Michigan – 44
Jack Devine, Denver – 44

Assists:

Massimo Rizzo, Denver – 87
Gabriel Seger, Cornell – 80
Collin Graf, Quinnipiac – 75
Sean Behrens, Denver – 69
Aiden Hansen-Bukata, RIT – 69
Carter Wilkie, RIT – 69
Lane Hutson, Boston University – 66
Scott Morrow, UMass – 66
Eamon Powell, Boston College – 66
Riese Gaber, North Dakota – 65

Power-Play Goals:

Riese Gaber, North Dakota – 29
Dylan Duke, Michigan – 20
Collin Graf, Quinnipiac – 20
Cutter Gauthier, Boston College – 19
Travis Treloar, Quinnipiac – 17

Shorthanded Goals:

Owen Lindmark, Wisconsin – 7
Logan Pietila, Michigan Tech – 5
Carter Wilkie, RIT – 5
Carter King, Denver – 5
Lynden Breen, Maine – 4
Jack Randl, Omaha – 4
Ryland Mosley, Michigan Tech – 3

Game-Winning Goals:

Logan Pietila, Michigan Tech – 13
Cutter Gauthier, Boston College – 10
Carter Wilkie, RIT – 10
Seven players tied w/ – 9

Games Played:

Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 183
Logan Pietila, Michigan Tech – 179
Nicolas Müller, Michigan State – 172
Marshall Warren, Michigan – 168
Jaxon Nelson, Minnesota – 167

Plus/Minus:

Iivari Räsänen, Quinnipiac – +77
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – +75
Massimo Rizzo, Denver – +66
Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – +65
Jack Devine, Denver – +59
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – +59

Source: College Hockey News

ACTIVE CAREER SCORING LEADERS (Tourney participants only)**Points (Defensemen):**

Lane Hutson, Boston University – 94
Scott Morrow, UMass – 94
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 89
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 81
Sean Behrens, Denver – 79
Gianfranco Cassaro, RIT – 79
Aiden Hansen-Bukata, RIT – 78
Eamon Powell, Boston College – 78
Seamus Casey, Michigan – 74
Marshall Warren, Michigan – 74

Goals (Defensemen):

Gianfranco Cassaro, RIT – 35
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 28
Lane Hutson, Boston University – 28
Scott Morrow, UMass – 28
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 23
Marshall Warren, Michigan – 23
Kirby Proctor, Omaha – 17
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 16
Logan Britt, North Dakota – 15
Seamus Casey, Michigan – 15
Nash Nienhuis, Michigan State – 15

Assists (Defensemen):

Sean Behrens, Denver – 69
Aiden Hansen-Bukata, RIT – 69
Lane Hutson, Boston University – 66
Scott Morrow, UMass – 66
Eamon Powell, Boston College – 66
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 61
Shai Buium, Denver – 59
Seamus Casey, Michigan – 59
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 58
Carter Berger, Western Michigan – 57

Power-Play Goals (Defensemen):

Gianfranco Cassaro, RIT – 15
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 13
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 11
Scott Morrow, UMass – 10
Lane Hutson, Boston University – 9

Shorthanded Goals (Defensemen):

Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 1
Scott Morrow, UMass – 1
Nash Nienhuis, Michigan State – 1
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 1

Game-Winning Goals (Defensemen):

Lane Hutson, Boston University – 9
Gianfranco Cassaro, RIT – 7
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – 7
Kirby Proctor, UNO – 7
Nash Nienhuis, Michigan State – 6
Ryan Ufko, UMass – 6
Marshall Warren, Michigan – 6

Games Played (Defensemen):

Kirby Proctor, UNO – 171
Logan Britt, North Dakota – 170
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 170
Marshall Warren, Michigan – 168
Keaton Pehrson, North Dakota – 161

Plus/Minus:

Iivari Räsänen, Quinnipiac – +77
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – +75
Zak Galambos, Western Michigan – +59
Shai Buium, Denver – +57
Aiden Hansen-Bukata, RIT – +49

Source: College Hockey News

ACTIVE CAREER GOALTENDING LEADERS (Tourney participants only)**Games Played:**

Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 140
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – 134
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 115
Cameron Rowe, Western Michigan – 105
Justen Close, Minnesota – 98
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 89
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 87
Victor Ostman, Maine – 85
Ian Shane, Cornell – 82
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 81

Wins:

Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 76
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – 62
Justen Close, Minnesota – 61
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 55
Cameron Rowe, Western Michigan – 54
Ian Shane, Cornell – 48
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 41
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 40
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 40
Vinny Duplessis, Quinnipiac – 35
Victor Ostman, Maine – 35

Save Percentage (Min. 2,000 minutes):

Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – .926
Jacob Fowler, Boston College – .925
Justen Close, Minnesota – .924
Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – .922
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – .922
Ian Shane, Cornell – .922
Vinny Duplessis, Quinnipiac – .917
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – .916
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – .915
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – .915

Goals-Against Avg (Min. 2,000 minutes):

Ian Shane, Cornell – 1.71
Vinny Duplessis, Quinnipiac – 2.02
Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 2.09
Justen Close, Minnesota – 2.16
Jacob Fowler, Boston College – 2.19
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 2.33
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 2.35
Matt Davis, Denver – 2.38
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 2.49
Simon Latkoczy, Omaha – 2.55

Shutouts:

Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 24
Justen Close, Minnesota – 13
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 11
Ian Shane, Cornell – 11
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 10
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 9
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – 8
Vinny Duplessis, Quinnipiac – 7
Cameron Rowe, Western Michigan – 7
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 6

Minutes Played:

Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 8103:28
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – 7657:36
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 6595:32
Cameron Rowe, Western Michigan – 5772:42
Justen Close, Minnesota – 5505:59
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 5351:31
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 5059:35
Victor Ostman, Maine – 4854:43
Ian Shane, Cornell – 4734:06
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 4670:24

Saves:

Jacob Barczewski, Michigan – 3,650
Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 3,333
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 3,228
Tommy Scarfone, RIT – 2,467
Justen Close, Minnesota – 2,404
Cameron Rowe, Western Michigan – 2,352
Mathieu Caron, Boston University – 2,292
Kyle McClellan, Wisconsin – 2,284
Victor Ostman, Maine – 2,178
Ian Shane, Cornell – 1,606

Assists:

Justen Close, Minnesota – 6
Jake Barczewski, Michigan – 5
Victor Ostman, Maine – 4
Blake Pietila, Michigan Tech – 4
Matt Davis, Denver – 3
Ludvig Persson, North Dakota – 3
Jacob Fowler, Boston College – 2
Five players tied w/ – 1

Source: College Hockey News

ACTIVE CAREER NCAA POSTSEASON LEADERS (Tourney participants only)**Points:**

Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – 9
Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 8
Sam Lipkin, Quinnipiac – 8
Jaxon Nelson, Minnesota – 8
Aaron Huglen, Minnesota – 5
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 5
Rutger McGroarty, Michigan – 5
Cristophe Tellier, Quinnipiac – 5
12 players tied w/ – 4

Goals:

Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – 5
Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 4
Reed Lebster, Michigan State – 3
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 3
Rutger McGroarty, Michigan – 3
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 3
Mason Nevers, Minnesota – 3
11 players tied w/ – 2

Assists:

Sam Lipkin, Quinnipiac – 6
Jaxon Nelson, Minnesota – 6
Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 4
Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – 4
Seamus Casey, Michigan – 3
Christophe Fillion, Quinnipiac – 3
Collin Graf, Quinnipiac – 3
T.J. Hughes, Michigan – 3
Aaron Huglen, Minnesota – 3
Mike Koster, Minnesota – 3
Rhett Pitlick, Minnesota – 3
Christophe Tellier, Quinnipiac – 3

Power-Play Goals:

Rutger McGroarty, Michigan – 2
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 2
Eight players tied w/ – 1

Short-Handed Goals:

None

Game-Winning Goals:

Aaron Bohlinger, UMass – 1
Luke Grainger, Western Michigan – 1
Quinn Hutson, Boston University – 1
Connor Kurth, Minnesota – 1
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 1
Sam Lipkin, Quinnipiac – 1
Luke Mittelstadt, Minnesota – 1
Jack O'Leary, Cornell – 1
Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – 1

Games Played:

Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota – 9
Mike Koster, Minnesota – 9
Jaxon Nelson, Minnesota – 9
Mason Nevers, Minnesota – 9
Aaron Huglen, Minnesota – 7
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – 7
Rhett Pitlick, Minnesota – 7
Iivari Räsänen, Quinnipiac – 7
Eight players tied w/ – 6

Plus/Minus:

Sam Lipkin, Quinnipiac – +8
Jacob Quillan, Quinnipiac – +7
Mason Nevers, Minnesota – +5
Jayden Lee, Quinnipiac – +4
Ethan Phillips, Western Michigan – +4
Rhett Pitlick, Minnesota – +4
Jimmy Snuggerud, Minnesota – +4
Cristophe Tellier, Quinnipiac – +4

Source: College Hockey News



Most NCAA Tournament Appearances:

Michigan, Minnesota – 41
Boston University – 39
Boston College – 37
North Dakota – 35
Denver – 33
Michigan State – 28
Harvard, Wisconsin – 27
Cornell – 24

Other 2024 NCAA Tournament teams:

Maine – 19
Michigan Tech – 16
Quinnipiac – 10
Western Michigan – 9
UMass, Omaha – 5
RIT – 4

Longest Active NCAA Appearance Streaks:

Quinnipiac – 5
Michigan, Minnesota – 4
Denver, Michigan Tech, Western Michigan – 3

Most Championships:

Denver, Michigan – 9
North Dakota – 8
Wisconsin – 6
Boston College, Boston University, Minnesota – 5
Lake Superior State, Michigan State, Michigan Tech, Minnesota Duluth – 3
Colorado College, Cornell, Maine, Rensselaer – 2
Bowling Green, Harvard, Massachusetts, Northern Michigan, Providence, Quinnipiac, Union, Yale – 1

Longest Stretch Since Last Appearance (2024 tournament teams):

Maine, Michigan State – 2012
RIT – 2016
Boston College, Omaha, Wisconsin – 2021

NCAA Appearances by 2024 Tournament Coaches

All appearances with current school unless noted

- 14 – Mike Schafer, Cornell
- 12 – Bob Motzko, Minnesota (8 with St. Cloud State)
- 10 – Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac
- 9 – Mike Hastings, Wisconsin (8 with Minnesota State)
- 5 – Brad Berry, North Dakota
- 4 – David Carle, Denver
- 4 – Greg Carvel, UMass
- 4 – Joe Shawhan, Michigan Tech
- 4 – Wayne Wilson, RIT
- 3 – Pat Ferschweiler, Western Michigan
- 2 – Mike Gabinet, Omaha
- 2 – Brandon Naurato, Michigan
- 2 – Jay Pandolfo, Boston University
- 1 – Ben Barr, Maine
- 1 – Greg Brown, Boston College
- 1 – Adam Nightingale, Michigan State

NCAA Titles by 2024 Tournament Coaches

- 1 – Brad Berry, North Dakota (2016)
- 1 – David Carle, Denver (2022)
- 1 – Greg Carvel, UMass (2021)
- 1 – Rand Pecknold, Quinnipiac (2023)

Coaches Coaching their Alma Mater:

- Brad Berry, North Dakota
- Greg Brown, Boston College
- David Carle, Denver
- Pat Ferschweiler, Western Michigan
- Mike Gabinet, Omaha
- Brandon Naurato, Michigan
- Adam Nightingale, Michigan State
- Jay Pandolfo, Boston University
- Mike Schafer, Cornell

Tournament Most Outstanding Players

37 winners of this award have gone on to play in the NHL, including 2022-23 NHLers Shayne Gostisbehere (Union, 2014); Jon Gillies (Providence, 2015), Drake Caggiula (North Dakota, 2016); and Karson Kuhlman (Minnesota Duluth, 2018).

Other notable NHLers to have won the award include Bill Masterton (Denver, 1961), Doug Smail (North Dakota, 1980), Chris Terreri (Providence, 1985), Ted Donato (Harvard, 1989), Jim Montgomery (Maine, 1993), Brendon Morrison (Michigan, 1996), Marty Turco (Michigan, 1998), Thomas Vanek (Minnesota, 2003), and Justin Abdelkader (Michigan State, 2007).

Current Maine assistant coach and former Black Bears goaltender **Alfie Michaud** also won the award in 1999.

TOURNAMENT TEAMS BY THE NUMBERS**vs. Other NCAA Tournament Teams**

Boston College – 9-2-1 (.792)
Cornell – 2-1-1 (.625)
Maine – 6-4-1 (.591)
Denver – 8-6-0 (.571)
Wisconsin – 8-6-1 (.567)
Michigan State – 8-6-2 (.563)
North Dakota – 9-7-0 (.563)
Boston University – 6-5-1 (.542)
Minnesota – 6-6-3 (.500)
Omaha – 7-7-0 (.500)
Western Michigan – 4-6-0 (.400)
Michigan – 5-10-1 (.344)
Quinnipiac – 2-4-0 (.333)
UMass – 1-8-2 (.182)
Michigan Tech – 0-2-1 (.167)
RIT – 0-1-0 (.000)

Last 10 Games

Boston College – 10-0-0 (1.000)
Denver – 8-1-1 (.850)
Michigan Tech – 8-2-0 (.800)
RIT – 8-2-0 (.800)
Boston University – 7-2-1 (.750)
Omaha – 7-2-1 (.750)
Cornell – 6-2-2 (.700)
Michigan – 7-3-0 (.700)
Michigan State – 7-3-0 (.700)
Quinnipiac – 7-3-0 (.700)
Minnesota – 6-3-1 (.650)
North Dakota – 6-4-0 (.600)
Maine – 5-5-0 (.500)
Wisconsin – 5-5-0 (.500)
UMass – 4-6-0 (.400)
Western Michigan – 4-6-0 (.400)

Since Christmas

Boston College – 18-2-0 (.900)
Cornell – 15-2-5 (.795)
Denver – 16-4-2 (.750)
RIT – 16-5-2 (.739)
Boston University – 15-5-1 (.738)
Quinnipiac – 14-5-1 (.725)
Minnesota – 13-5-1 (.711)
Michigan State – 12-5-1 (.694)
North Dakota – 14-6-1 (.690)
Omaha – 14-7-2 (.652)
Michigan – 13-7-0 (.650)
Michigan Tech – 11-6-3 (.625)
Wisconsin – 12-7-2 (.619)
Maine – 13-8-1 (.614)
UMass – 11-10-2 (.522)
Western Michigan – 10-11-0 (.476)

Active Winning Streaks

12 – Boston College
7 – RIT
5 – Cornell, Denver, Michigan Tech
2 – Michigan State

Active Unbeaten Streaks

12 – Boston College (12-0-0)
7 – RIT (7-0-0)
5 – Cornell (5-0-0), Denver (5-0-0), Michigan Tech (5-0-0)
2 – Michigan State (2-0-0)

Top 1-2 scoring pairs of teammates

126 points – Will Smith (67) / Cutter Gauthier (59), Boston College
105 points – Macklin Celebrini (59) / Lane Hutson (46), Boston University
103 points – Jack Devine (55) / Zeev Buium (48), Denver
103 points – Rutger McGroarty (52) / Gavin Brindley (51), Michigan
97 points – Jackson Blake (59) / Owen McLaughlin (38), North Dakota

62 goals – Cutter Gauthier (35) / Ryan Leonard (27), Boston College
48 goals – Macklin Celebrini (31) / Quinn Hutson (18), Boston University
46 goals – Jack Devine (27) / Miko Matikka (19), Denver
46 goals – Gavin Brindley (24) / Dylan Duke (22), Michigan
46 goals – Dylan Wendt (23) / Sam Colangelo (23), Western Michigan

Top 1-2-3 scoring trios of teammates

183 points – Will Smith (67) / Cutter Gauthier (59) / Gabe Perreault (57), Boston College
148 points – Rutger McGroarty (52) / Gavin Brindley (51) / Seamus Casey (45), Michigan
147 points – Jack Devine (55), Zeev Buium (48) / Massimo Rizzo (44), Denver
139 points – Macklin Celebrini (59) / Lane Hutson (46) / Jeremy Wilmer (36), Boston University
134 points – Jackson Blake (59) / Owen McLaughlin (38) / Cameron Berg (37), North Dakota

85 goals – Cutter Gauthier (35) / Ryan Leonard (27) / Will Smith (23), Boston College
64 goals – Gavin Brindley (24) / Dylan Duke (22) / T.J. Hughes (18), Michigan
61 goals – Macklin Celebrini (31) / Quinn Hutson (17) / Lane Hutson (13), Boston University
61 goals – Jack Devine (27) / Miko Matikka (19) / Carter King (15) **or** Rieger Lorenz (15), Denver
60 goals – Dylan Wendt (23) / Sam Colangelo (23) / Luke Grainger (14), Western Michigan

Teams with the most:

10+ Goal Scorers: 11 – Denver
20+ Goal Scorers: 3 – Boston College
10+ Point Players: 16 – Denver, Michigan State
20+ Point Players: 14 – Denver
30+ Point Players: 9 – Denver
40+ Point Players: 5 – Michigan
50+ Point Players: 4 – Boston College
60+ Point Players: 1 – Boston College

Biggest Win Improvement Since Last Season

+17 – Boston College
+13 – Wisconsin
+8 – Maine, North Dakota
+7 – UMass
+6 – Michigan State

Most seniors (incl. graduate students):

15 – Western Michigan
10 – Omaha
9 – Boston University, North Dakota, RIT, Wisconsin
8 – UMass, Michigan, Michigan Tech

Fewest seniors (incl. graduate students):

2 – Cornell
3 – Denver
5 – Maine
6 – Boston College, Michigan State

Most upperclassmen (incl. graduate students):

19 – Western Michigan
15 – RIT
14 – Boston University, UMass
13 – Michigan Tech, Omaha, Quinnipiac

Most freshmen and sophomores:

19 – Maine
18 – Boston College, Michigan State
17 – Denver, Michigan Tech, Minnesota

Most freshmen:

11 – Boston College, Denver
10 – Boston University, Cornell, Michigan State

Fewest freshmen

3 – Omaha
4 – Michigan
5 – RIT
6 – Minnesota, Quinnipiac

Top-scoring senior classes (incl. graduate students):

265 points – Western Michigan
167 points – RIT
137 points – Omaha
129 points – Quinnipiac
126 points – North Dakota

Top-scoring junior classes:

237 points – Denver
134 points – Quinnipiac
114 points – UMass
101 points – Cornell
83 points – Michigan State

Top-scoring sophomore classes:

287 points – Michigan
172 points – Boston University
145 points – Boston College
128 points – North Dakota

Top-scoring freshman classes:

203 points – Boston College
154 points – Denver
133 points – Boston University
113 points – Cornell
112 points – Maine

Top-scoring defense corps:

159 points – Denver
100 points – Boston University
97 points – Boston College

Source: College Hockey News

Brothers in the NCAA Tournament:

Shai Buium (Denver) and Zeev Buium (Denver)
Aiden Celebrini (Boston University) and Macklin Celebrini (Boston University)
Dylan Duke (Michigan) and Tyler Duke (Michigan)
Lane Hutson (Boston University) and Quinn Hutson (Boston University)
Connor Joyce (Boston College) and Nolan Joyce (Boston College)
Kyle Kukkonen (Michigan Tech) and Trevor Kukkonen (Michigan Tech)
Griffin Ludtke (Omaha) and Tanner Ludtke (Omaha)
Case McCarthy (Boston University) and Gavin McCarthy (Boston University)
John Mittelstadt (Minnesota) and Luke Mittelstadt (Minnesota)
Bradly Nadeau (Maine) and Josh Nadeau (Maine)
Blake Pietila (Michigan Tech), Chase Pietila (Michigan Tech) & Logan Pietila (Michigan Tech)



Biggest teams, by average height:

Boston University – 6’1.1”
Cornell, Wisconsin – 6’0.9”
UMass, Western Michigan – 6’0.8”

Smallest teams, by average height:

Michigan – 5’11.7”
Quinnipiac – 5’11.8”
Maine, Michigan State, Omaha – 6’0”

Biggest teams, by average weight:

Cornell – 192.4 pounds
Boston University – 191.3
North Dakota – 190.8
Omaha – 190.5
Denver, Western Michigan – 190.2

Smallest teams, by average weight:

Quinnipiac – 181.7 pounds
Michigan – 184.2
Boston College – 185.9
Minnesota – 186.3
Maine – 186.6

Oldest teams, by average age*:

RIT – 23.5 years
Western Michigan – 23.1
Omaha – 22.7
Michigan Tech – 22.6
North Dakota – 22.5

* -- as of tournament start on March 28

Youngest teams, by average age*:

Boston College – 21.1 years
Denver – 21.3
Boston University – 21.6
Michigan State – 21.7
Cornell, Minnesota, Wisconsin – 21.9

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Tallest players:

6’7” – Noah Altman, Quinnipiac
6’7” – Michael Hrabal, UMass
6’7” – Cade Webber, Boston University
6’6” – Ondrej Psenicka, Cornell
6’6” – Viktor Hurtig, Michigan State

Shortest players:

5’6” – Brock Bremer, Omaha
5’6” – Anthony Cipollone, Quinnipiac
5’7” – Peter LaJoy, Denver
5’7” – Jack O’Leary, Cornell
5’8” – Nine players tied

Youngest players:

17.8 years (6/13/06) – Macklin Celebrini, Boston University
18.3 (12/7/05) – Zeev Buium, Denver
18.4 (10/25/05) – Artyom Levshunov, Michigan State
18.8 (6/14/05) – Zach Schulz, Wisconsin
18.8 (6/2/05) – Gavin McCarthy, Boston University

* -- as of tournament start on March 28



GEOGRAPHIC BREAKDOWN

Thirteen countries, including 29 states, eight Canadian provinces, and two Canadian territories, are represented on 2024 NCAA Tournament rosters.

Players By State

65 – Minnesota
41 – Michigan
27 – New York
19 – Massachusetts
18 – Illinois
16 – California
15 – Wisconsin
10 – Pennsylvania
9 – Connecticut
7 – Colorado
6 – Missouri, North Dakota
5 – Florida, New Jersey
4 – Arizona
3 – Georgia
2 – Alaska, Indiana, New Hampshire, Ohio, Tennessee, Virginia
1 – Iowa, Maryland, Nebraska, North Carolina, Oregon, Rhode Island, Vermont

Players By Province/Territory

38 – Ontario
25 – British Columbia
19 – Alberta
15 – Quebec
7 – Manitoba
6 – Saskatchewan
3 – New Brunswick, Nova Scotia
2 – Newfoundland, Yukon
1 – Northwest Territories

By Country

275 – United States (63%)
121 – Canada (28%)
16 – Sweden
8 – Finland
5 – Slovakia
3 – Switzerland
2 – Czechia
1 – Australia, Belarus, England, Latvia, Russia, Scotland

Most Americans: 24, Minnesota

Most Canadians: 23, RIT

Most non-North Americans: 7, Michigan Tech

Most Countries on Roster: 7, UMass & Michigan State

Most States on Roster: 12, Cornell

Most Canadian Provinces/Territories on Roster: 6, RIT & Western Michigan

IN THE NHL

312 former NCAA players have appeared in an NHL game this season (as of games through March 24)

Full list: <https://collegehockeyinc.com/2023-24-alums-nhl.php>

Most NCAA Alumni in the NHL, by Season

349 – 2021-22

334 – 2022-23

327 – 2018-19

314 – 2016-17

313 – 2023-24 (through March 24)

45 schools have had an alum in the NHL this season. Colleges producing the most NHLers in 2023-24:

Michigan – 28

Minnesota – 26

Boston College, Boston University – 20

UMass, Minnesota Duluth, North Dakota, Wisconsin – 14

Notre Dame – 13

Harvard – 12

All 16 tournament schools have had at least one alum play in the NHL in 2023-24. Those not listed above:

Denver – 11

Maine, Michigan Tech, Omaha, Western Michigan – 5

Cornell – 4

Quinnipiac – 3

RIT – 1

FORMER NCAA PLAYERS IN THE NHL THIS YEAR**By years in school (66% played at least three years)**

Five years – 1

Four years – 81

Three years – 124

Two years – 76

One year – 31

By position:

176 forwards

116 defensemen

21 goaltenders

By NHL Draft status:

119 were first- or second-round picks

119 were third- through seventh-round picks

75 were undrafted free agents

By nationality:

233 – United States

70 – Canada

4 – Sweden

2 – Russia

1 – Czechia, Finland, Germany, Latvia

FUTURE NHLers

A total of 237 NHL Draft Picks played college hockey this season and 129 of them are participating in the NCAA Tournament, including 13 first-round picks:

Cutter Gauthier, Boston College (Anaheim, 5th, 2022)*
Isaac Howard, Michigan State (Tampa Bay, 31st, 2022)
Ryan Leonard, Boston College (Washington, 8th, 2023)
Rutger McGroarty, Michigan (Winnipeg, 14th, 2022)
Oliver Moore, Minnesota (Chicago (19th, 2023)
Bradly Nadeau, Maine (Carolina, 30th, 2023)
Frank Nazar III, Michigan (Chicago, 13th, 2022)
Gabe Perreault, Boston College (NY Rangers, 23rd, 2023)
Sam Rinzal, Minnesota (Chicago, 25th, 2022)
Will Smith, Boston College (San Jose, 4th, 2023)
Jimmy Snuggerud, Minnesota (St. Louis, 23rd, 2022)
Charlie Stramel, Wisconsin (Minnesota, 21st, 2023)
Tom Willander, Boston University (Vancouver, 11th, 2023)

* - drafted by Philadelphia

Fifteen of the 16 NCAA Tournament teams have at least one NHL Draft pick on their roster: Draft picks per team:

Boston College, Boston University – 14
UMass, Minnesota – 13
Denver, Wisconsin – 12
Michigan, North Dakota – 11
Western Michigan – 7
Cornell, Michigan State – 6
Omaha – 5
Quinnipiac – 3
Maine, Michigan Tech – 1

Thirty-one of the 32 NHL teams have prospects in the NCAA Tournament. By team:

Detroit – 10
Arizona, Carolina – 7
Boston, Chicago, Montreal, Tampa Bay, Vancouver – 6
Minnesota, New Jersey, NY Rangers, Philadelphia – 5
Buffalo, Dallas, Ottawa, Pittsburgh, Toronto, Washington – 4
Anaheim, Columbus, Colorado, Florida, Los Angeles, Nashville, NY Islanders, Vegas – 3
St. Louis, Winnipeg – 2
Calgary, Edmonton, San Jose – 1

NCAA Tournament head coaches with NHL playing experience:

Brad Berry, North Dakota (241 GP with Winnipeg, Minnesota, Dallas)
Greg Brown, Boston College (94 GP with Buffalo, Pittsburgh, Winnipeg)
Jay Pandolfo, Boston University (899 GP with New Jersey, NY Islanders, Boston)

Sons of NHLers in the NCAA Tournament:

Tristan Amonte, Boston University (son of Tony Amonte)
Dalton Bancroft, Cornell (son of Steve Bancroft)
Jackson Blake, North Dakota (son of Jason Blake)
Garrett Brown, Denver (son of Curtis Brown)
Kienan Draper, Michigan (son of Kris Draper)
Zach Dubinsky, Michigan State (son of Steve Dubinsky)
Cam Knuble, Western Michigan (son of Mike Knuble)
Shane Lachance, Boston University (son of Scott Lachance)
Philippe Lapointe, Michigan (son of Martin Lapointe)
Cameron Moger, Michigan Tech (son of Sandy Moger)
Nash Niehuis, Michigan State (Kraig Nienhuis)
Lucas Olvestad, Denver (Jimmie Olvestad)
Rhett Pitlick, Minnesota (Son of Lance Pitlick)
Red Savage, Michigan State (son of Brian Savage)
Jimmy Snuggerud, Minnesota (son of Dave Snuggerud)
Maxim Štrbák, Michigan State (son of Martin Štrbák)
Bennett Zmolek, North Dakota (son of Doug Zmolek)

Players in the NCAA Tournament with brothers who have played in the NHL:

Bryce Brodzinski, Minnesota (brother of Jonny Brodzinski)
Luca Fantilli, Michigan (brother of Adam Fantilli)
Ryan Leonard, Boston College (brother of John Leonard)
Taylor Makar, UMass (brother of Cale Makar)
Ryan McInchak, Cornell (step-brother of Jack Studnicka)
John & Luke Mittelstadt (brothers of Casey Mittelstadt)
Rhett Pitlick, Minnesota (brother of Rem Pitlick)
Luke Tuch, Boston University (brother of Alex Tuch)

Other NCAA Tournament participants with notable NHL bloodlines:

Jamie Armstrong (Boston College) – son of Arizona Coyotes GM Bill Armstrong
Grayson Arnott (Maine) – nephew of former NHL forward Jason Arnott
Jack Gorton (Boston University) – son of Montreal Canadiens Executive VP of Hockey Operations Jeff Gorton
Jack Hughes (Boston University) – son of Montreal Canadiens GM Kent Hughes
Owen Murray (UMass) – great-nephew of former NHL defenseman Dallas Smith
Levi Stauber (Michigan Tech) – nephew of former NHL goalie and 1988 Hobey Baker Award winner Robb Stauber

OTHER RESOURCES

Differences between NHL and NCAA rules: <https://collegehockeyinc.com/key-differences-ncaa-and-nhl-rules.php>
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