# PRO HOOPS DRAFTOLOGY 2015

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## Which Big Man Ya Got?

While it's a matchup denied to us in the Final Four, Duke C Jahill Okafor and Kentucky PF Karl-Anthony Towns are set to square off at last. The stakes? The #1 spot in the 2015 NBA Draft.

In a league that loves to trump up storylines to promote rivalries (Remember the 1995 Rookie of the Year "tie?" Or the "question" about whether Lebron or Carmelo was going to be the better pro?), having each of these dominant frontcourt players in both of the locations to play host to the Lakers will be like catnip to the central office. Okafor is surely more of an immovable presence down low, but Towns has a game compared by FDH Director of Research Nate Noy to a young Mailman Malone.

Beyond those two, combo guards D'Angelo Russell of Ohio State and Emmanual Mudiay of Chinese pro ball are towards the top of the next tier, along with Croatian SG Mario Hezonja. Others on that level include Latvian PF Kristaps Porzingis, Kentucky C Willie Cauley-Stein and Duke SF Justise Winslow.

While this draft is not regarded as being as deep as the 2014 crop, it's conceivable that a future All-Star could be drafted as late as the lower part of the lottery. Kentucky's recent dominance on Draft Day will extend through this year, as at least three and maybe four Wildcats will be taken during the lottery part of the proceedings. Additionally, the National Champion Blue Devils are likely to have two players selected in the Top 10 and the other two teams in the Final Four, Wisconsin and Arizona, could see two of their players apiece selected in the lottery portion.

## That NBA Lottery Pick

**Adam Silver did not authorize this kind of irreverence!**
**http://thatnbalotterypick.com**

## FantasyDrafthelp.com/ hoops.html

| | Power Forwards | School/Country | Class | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Karl-Anthony Towns | Kentucky | Fr. | 6--11 | 255 |
| 2 | Kristaps Porzingis | Latvia | - | 6--11 | 220 |
| 3 | Bobby Portis | Arkansas | So. | 6--11 | 242 |
| 4 | Trey Lyles | Kentucky | Fr. | 6--10 | 235 |
| 5 | Kevon Looney | UCLA | Fr. | 6--9 | 220 |
| 6 | Montrezl Harrell | Louisville | Jr. | 6--8 | 240 |
| 7 | Chris McCullough | Syracuse | Fr. | 6--10 | 220 |
| 8 | Christian Wood | UNLV | So. | 6--11 | 220 |
| 9 | Jarell Martin | LSU | So. | 6--10 | 235 |
| 10 | Jordan Mickey | LSU | So. | 6--8 | 235 |
| 11 | Cliff Alexander | Kansas | Fr. | 6--8 | 240 |
| 12 | Richaun Holmes | Bowling Green | Sr. | 6--8 | 214 |
| 13 | Aaron White | Iowa | Sr. | 6--9 | 228 |
| 14 | Vince Hunter | Texas-El Paso | So. | 6--8 | 205 |
| 15 | Brandon Ashley | Arizona | Jr. | 6--9 | 230 |

| | Center | School/Country | Class | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Jahlil Okafor | Duke | Fr. | 6--11 | 270 |
| 2 | Willie Cauley-Stein | Kentucky | Jr. | 7--0 | 242 |
| 3 | Myles Turner | Texas | Fr. | 6--11 | 240 |
| 4 | Frank Kaminsky | Wisconsin | Sr. | 7--0 | 242 |
| 5 | Guillermo Hernangomez | Spain | - | 6--11 | 255 |
| 6 | Robert Upshaw | Washington | Jr. | 7--0 | 250 |
| 7 | Rakeem Christmas | Syracuse | Sr. | 6--9 | 250 |
| 8 | Mouhammadou Jaiteh | France | - | 6--11 | 249 |
| 9 | Nikola Milutinov | Serbia | - | 6--11 | 220 |
| 10 | Dakari Johnson | Kentucky | So. | 7--0 | 255 |
| 11 | Moussa Diagne | Senegal | - | 6--11 | 230 |
| 12 | Arturas Gudaitis | Lithuania | - | 6--10 | 253 |
| 13 | Alan Williams | Santa Barbara | Sr. | 6--8 | 265 |
| 14 | Andzejs Pasecniks | Latvia | - | 7--1 | 220 |
| 15 | Cady Lalanne | Massachusetts | Sr. | 6--10 | 250 |

| | Small Forwards | School/Country | Class | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Justise Winslow | Duke | Fr. | 6--6 | 225 |
| 2 | Stanley Johnson | Arizona | Fr. | 6--7 | 245 |
| 3 | Kelly Oubre Jr. | Kansas | Fr. | 6--7 | 200 |
| 4 | Sam Dekker | Wisconsin | Jr. | 6--9 | 230 |
| 5 | Justin Anderson | Virginia | Jr. | 6--6 | 228 |
| 6 | Rondae Hollis-Jefferson | Arizona | So. | 6--7 | 220 |
| 7 | Aleksandar Vezenkov | Bulgaria | Fr. | 6--8 | 210 |
| 8 | J.P. Tokoto | North Carolina | Jr. | 6--2 | 200 |
| 9 | Anthony Brown | Stanford | Sr. | 6--6 | 215 |
| 10 | Nedim Buza | Bosnia | - | 6--7 | 190 |
| 11 | Jonathan Holmes | Texas | Sr. | 6--8 | 240 |
| 12 | Lucas Dias | Brazil | - | 6--9 | 220 |
| 13 | Branden Dawson | Michigan State | Sr. | 6--6 | 225 |
| 14 | Daniel Diez | Spain | - | 6--8 | 216 |
| 15 | Le'Bryan Nash | Oklahoma State | Sr. | 6--7 | 235 |

## Strength of Draft By Position

GREAT: none
VERY GOOD: PF
GOOD: PG
AVERAGE: C
POOR: SF, SG
VERY POOR: none
HORRIBLE: none

## Sportsology

| | Shooting Guards | School/Country | Class | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | D'Angelo Russell | Ohio State | Fr. | 6--5 | 180 |
| 2 | Mario Hezonja | Croatia | - | 6--7 | 195 |
| 3 | Devin Booker | Kentucky | Fr. | 6--6 | 206 |
| 4 | R.J. Hunter | Georgia State | Jr. | 6--6 | 190 |
| 5 | Rashad Vaughn | UNLV | Fr. | 6--6 | 210 |
| 6 | Norman Powell | UCLA | Sr. | 6--4 | 215 |
| 7 | Joseph Young | Oregon | Sr. | 6--2 | 180 |
| 8 | Timothe Luwawu | France | - | 6--7 | 205 |
| 9 | Michael Qualls | Arkansas | Jr. | 6--6 | 205 |
| 10 | Tyler Harvey | Eastern Washington | So. | 6--4 | 185 |
| 11 | Michael Frazier II | Florida | Jr. | 6--4 | 194 |
| 12 | Pat Connaughton | Notre Dame | Sr. | 6--5 | 218 |
| 13 | Marc Garcia | Spain | - | 6--6 | 180 |
| 14 | Aaron Harrison | Kentucky | So. | 6--6 | 212 |
| 15 | Treveon Graham | VCU | Sr. | 6--6 | 225 |

| | Point Guards | School/Country | Class | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Emmanuel Mudiay | China | - | 6--5 | 200 |
| 2 | Jerian Grant | Notre Dame | Sr. | 6--5 | 204 |
| 3 | Cameron Payne | Murray State | So. | 6--2 | 180 |
| 4 | Delon Wright | Utah | Sr. | 6--5 | 190 |
| 5 | Tyus Jones | Duke | Fr. | 6--1 | 190 |
| 6 | Terry Rozier | Louisville | So. | 6--1 | 190 |
| 7 | Cedi Osman | Macedonia | - | 6--6 | 190 |
| 8 | Olivier Hanlan | Boston College | Jr. | 6--4 | 190 |
| 9 | Georges Lucas Alves de Paula | Brazil | - | 6--5 | 200 |
| 10 | Andrew Harrison | Kentucky | So. | 6--6 | 210 |
| 11 | Keifer Sykes | Green Bay | Sr. | 6--0 | 180 |
| 12 | T.J. McConnell | Arizona | Sr. | 6--1 | 195 |
| 13 | Kenneth Smith | Louisiana Tech | Sr. | 6--3 | 180 |
| 14 | Quinn Cook | Duke | Sr. | 6--2 | 185 |
| 15 | Nenad Miljenovoc | Serbia | - | 6--4 | 200 |

## The 21st Century Media Alliance

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# FDH Mock Draft

| | Team | Player | School/Country | Class | Pos | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Minnesota | Jahlil Okafor | Duke | Fr. | C | 6--11 | 270 |
| 2 | LA Lakers | Karl-Anthony Towns | Kentucky | Fr. | PF | 6--11 | 255 |
| 3 | Philadelphia | D'Angelo Russell | Ohio State | Fr. | SG | 6--5 | 180 |
| 4 | New York | Emmanuel Mudiay | China | - | PG | 6--5 | 200 |
| 5 | Orlando | Kristaps Porzingis | Latvia | - | PF | 6--11 | 220 |
| 6 | Sacramento | Willie Cauley-Stein | Kentucky | Jr. | C | 7--0 | 242 |
| 7 | Denver | Mario Hezonja | Croatia | - | SG | 6--7 | 195 |
| 8 | Detroit | Justise Winslow | Duke | Fr. | SF | 6--6 | 225 |
| 9 | Charlotte | Devin Booker | Kentucky | Fr. | SG | 6--6 | 206 |
| 10 | Miami | Stanley Johnson | Arizona | Fr. | SF | 6--7 | 245 |
| 11 | Indiana | Frank Kaminsky | Wisconsin | Sr. | C | 7--0 | 242 |
| 12 | Utah | Kelly Oubre Jr. | Kansas | Fr. | SF | 6--7 | 200 |
| 13 | Phoenix | Myles Turner | Texas | Fr. | C | 6--11 | 240 |
| 14 | Oklahoma City | Jerian Grant | Notre Dame | Sr. | PG | 6--5 | 204 |
| 15 | Atlanta | Bobby Portis | Arkansas | So. | PF | 6--11 | 242 |
| 16 | Boston | Trey Lyles | Kentucky | Fr. | PF | 6--10 | 235 |
| 17 | Milwaukee | Montrezl Harrell | Louisville | Jr. | PF | 6--8 | 240 |
| 18 | Houston | Cameron Payne | Murray State | So. | PG | 6--2 | 180 |
| 19 | Washington | Kevon Looney | UCLA | Fr. | PF | 6--9 | 220 |
| 20 | Toronto | Rondae Hollis-Jefferson | Arizona | So. | SF | 6--7 | 220 |
| 21 | Dallas | Delon Wright | Utah | Sr. | PG | 6--5 | 190 |
| 22 | Chicago | Sam Dekker | Wisconsin | Jr. | SF | 6--9 | 230 |
| 23 | Portland | R.J. Hunter | Georgia State | Jr. | SG | 6--6 | 190 |
| 24 | Cleveland | Tyus Jones | Duke | Fr. | PG | 6--1 | 190 |
| 25 | Memphis | Rashad Vaughn | UNLV | Fr. | SG | 6--6 | 210 |
| 26 | San Antonio | Christian Wood | UNLV | So. | PF | 6--11 | 220 |
| 27 | LA Lakers | Justin Anderson | Virginia | Jr. | SF | 6--6 | 228 |
| 28 | Boston | Cliff Alexander | Kansas | Fr. | PF | 6--8 | 240 |
| 29 | Brooklyn | Jarell Martin | LSU | So. | PF | 6--10 | 235 |
| 30 | Golden State | Chris McCullough | Syracuse | Fr. | PF | 6--10 | 220 |

## Preview Of FantasyDrafthelp.com Ultimate Fantasy Hoops Stat For 2015-16 Season

This is the FantasyDrafthelp.com statistic, the Ultimate Quantitative Baseline, based on the statistical principle of standard deviation from the mean. We utilize the standard fantasy categories: PPG, RPG, APG, ST, BL, TO, FG%, FT% and 3%. In each category, a spectrum is calculated from the best performance to the worst on a per-game basis. The numbers in each category are added together to create our statistic. An additional equalizer is injected to apply more points to each player at the positions of scarcer depth. What this stat truly does is to quantify beyond doubt how the stronger and weaker performances in each category add up to the absolute fantasy value for each player. As such, it establishes a baseline for performance that is more comprehensive than anything ever developed. A number over 1000 is considered elite. We have listed below the top 25 forwards and guards, top 10 centers and top 50 overall.

| | Guards | UQB | | Forwards | UQB |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Russell Westbrook | 1419 | 1 | Anthony Davis | 1797 |
| 2 | Chris Paul | 1381 | 2 | Pau Gasol | 1609 |
| 3 | Stephen Curry | 1263 | 3 | LaMarcus Aldridge | 1397 |
| 4 | James Harden | 1155 | 4 | Kawhi Leonard | 1357 |
| 5 | Ricky Rubio | 994 | 5 | Tayshaun Prince | 1336 |
| 6 | John Wall | 962 | 6T | Kevin Durant | 1257 |
| 7 | Jimmy Butler | 954 | 6T | LeBron James | 1257 |
| 8 | Ty Lawson | 924 | 8 | Blake Griffin | 1180 |
| 9 | Kyrie Irving | 844 | 9 | Zach Randolph | 1179 |
| 10 | Klay Thompson | 835 | 10 | Tim Duncan | 1177 |
| 11 | Kyle Lowry | 805 | 11 | Serge Ibaka | 1165 |
| 12 | Jrue Holiday | 796 | 12 | Carmelo Anthony | 1109 |
| 13T | Jeff Teague | 792 | 13 | Paul Millsap | 1097 |
| 13T | Damian Lillard | 792 | 14 | Kevin Love | 1087 |
| 15 | Monta Ellis | 767 | 15 | Trevor Ariza | 1082 |
| 16 | Kyle Korver | 763 | 16 | Draymond Green | 1044 |
| 17 | Danny Green | 718 | 17 | Khris Middleton | 1008 |
| 18 | Victor Oladipo | 705 | 18 | Rudy Gay | 988 |
| 19 | Darren Collison | 700 | 19 | Derrick Favors | 964 |
| 20 | DeMar DeRozan | 695 | 20 | Dirk Nowitzki | 961 |
| 21 | Giannis Antetokounmpo | 690 | 21 | Gordon Hayward | 955 |
| 22 | Eric Bledsoe | 686 | 22 | Tyreke Evans | 947 |
| 23 | Kevin Martin | 684 | 23 | DeMarre Carroll | 919 |
| 24 | Goran Dragic | 682 | 24 | Thaddeus Young | 912 |
| 25 | George Hill | 678 | 25 | Amir Johnson | 901 |

| | Top 50 Overall | UQB | | Top 50 Overall | UQB |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Anthony Davis | 1797 | 26 | Rudy Gay | 988 |
| 2 | Pau Gasol | 1609 | 27 | Derrick Favors | 964 |
| 3 | DeAndre Jordan | 1484 | 28 | John Wall | 962 |
| 4 | Russell Westbrook | 1419 | 29 | Dirk Nowitzki | 961 |
| 5 | LaMarcus Aldridge | 1397 | 30 | Gordon Hayward | 955 |
| 6 | Chris Paul | 1381 | 31 | Jimmy Butler | 954 |
| 7 | Kawhi Leonard | 1357 | 32 | Tyreke Evans | 947 |
| 8 | Tayshaun Prince | 1336 | 33 | Ty Lawson | 924 |
| 9 | Stephen Curry | 1263 | 34 | DeMarre Carroll | 919 |
| 10T | Kevin Durant | 1257 | 35 | Thaddeus Young | 912 |
| 10T | LeBron James | 1257 | 36 | Amir Johnson | 901 |
| 12 | Blake Griffin | 1180 | 37 | Tobias Harris | 895 |
| 13 | Zach Randolph | 1179 | 38 | Nicolas Batum | 887 |
| 14 | Tim Duncan | 1177 | 39 | Harrison Barnes | 880 |
| 15 | Serge Ibaka | 1165 | 40 | Terrence Jones | 879 |
| 16 | James Harden | 1155 | 41 | Chandler Parsons | 866 |
| 17 | Carmelo Anthony | 1109 | 42 | Jared Sullinger | 865 |
| 18 | Paul Millsap | 1097 | 43 | Markieff Morris | 849 |
| 19 | Kevin Love | 1087 | 44T | Luol Deng | 847 |
| 20 | Trevor Ariza | 1082 | 44T | Nikola Vucevic | 847 |
| 21 | DeMarcus Cousins | 1053 | 46 | Jonas Jerebko | 845 |
| 22 | Tyson Chandler | 1051 | 47 | Kyrie Irving | 844 |
| 23 | Draymond Green | 1044 | 48 | Kenneth Faried | 841 |
| 24 | Khris Middleton | 1008 | 49 | Robert Covington | 839 |
| 25 | Ricky Rubio | 994 | 50 | Jabari Parker | 838 |

| | Centers | UQB |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | DeAndre Jordan | 1484 |
| 2 | DeMarcus Cousins | 1053 |
| 3 | Tyson Chandler | 1051 |
| 4 | Nikola Vucevic | 847 |
| 5 | Rudy Gobert | 793 |
| 6 | Hassan Whiteside | 788 |
| 7 | Marc Gasol | 787 |
| 8 | Brook Lopez | 771 |
| 9 | Chris Bosh | 730 |
| 10 | Al Horford | 705 |

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Nothing is Off-topic.
Nothing.**

## The FDH Top 30 Players In The NBA

NOTE: These are the top 30 players in the NBA at the present time – averaging one per team in the league – by determination of FDH Managing Partner Rick Morris. Their ranking in last year's analysis is in parentheses. Players who were included last year, but not this year, are listed below. Additionally, this list was evaluated here on The FDH Lounge program by That NBA Lottery Pick Managing Editor Ben Chew: http://thefdhlounge.blogspot.com/2015/06/lounge-on-youtube-mini-episode-570-2015.html

TOP TIER
1 LeBron James (1)
2 Stephen Curry (5)
3 James Harden (7)
4 Russell Westbrook (10)
5 Kevin Durant (2)
6 Anthony Davis (15)
7 Chris Paul (4)
SECOND TIER
8 LaMarcus Aldridge (11)
9 Kyrie Irving (23)
10 Klay Thompson (29)
11 DeMarcus Cousins (24)
12 Blake Griffin (6)
13 Jimmy Butler (NA)
14 Carmelo Anthony (8)
15 John Wall (17)
16 Derrick Rose (14)
17 Kawhi Leonard (NA)
18 Kyle Lowry (NA)
19 Damian Lillard (21)
THIRD TIER
20 Nikola Vucevic (NA)
21 Kevin Love (3)
22 Paul George (12)
23 Dwyane Wade (9)
24 Dwight Howard (25)
25 Zack Randolph (NA)
26 Bradley Beal (27)
27 Dirk Nowitzki (20)
28 DeMar DeRozan (19)
29 Gordon Hayward (NA)
30 Kobe Bryant (13)

Tony Parker (16)
Al Jefferson (18)
Chris Bosh (22)
Tim Duncan (26)
Brook Lopez (28)
Rajon Rondo (30)

## Links to Highlight Videos of Top Prospects

Here are links to some of the best players of the '15 Draft in action:

Devin Booker https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h8-X3t10dXw
Willie Cauley-Stein https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sk7PDMJyqhA
Mario Hezonja https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3WngADYTj-U
Stanley Johnson https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ppUQCSMGQJU
Frank Kaminsky https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QxbDCalc8_U
Emmanuel Mudiay https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HQgaOMROcd8
Jahill Okafor https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wNgjYxttRL0
Kelly Oubre, Jr. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-VCSOmq0CNQ
Kristaps Porzingis https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JWOjHoJ-U6A
D'Angelo Russell https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IEgMvIQ4uw8
Karl-Anthony Towns https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qq90u5OG-bY
Justise Winslow https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_TK3tEOSJcY

# Correlation Of Top Players To NBA Titles

This list correlates to the rankings of present players on Page 6. Top-tier players are defined as those very few capable of winning a championship without a fellow super-elite player. The second tier represents players who were at an All-Star level at the time. Each year's champions are examined separately; for example, you will notice that Magic Johnson's star teammates were rated at different levels at different points of the 1980s dynasty. This list helps to go beyond the cliches about superstar players and their surrounding cast on championship teams to identify the specific dynamics most and least at play. It is interesting as well to study the anomalies on the list, the combinations of star players that have led to the least titles during these years.

| Year | Team | Top Tier | Top Tier | Second Tier | Second Tier | Second Tier |
|------|------|----------|----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2015 | Golden State | Stephen Curry | Klay Thompson | | | |
| 2014 | San Antonio | | | Tony Parker | | |
| 2013 | Miami | LeBron James | Dwyane Wade | Chris Bosh | | |
| 2012 | Miami | LeBron James | Dwyane Wade | Chris Bosh | | |
| 2011 | Dallas | Dirk Nowitzki | | | | |
| 2010 | LA Lakers | Kobe Bryant | | Pau Gasol | | |
| 2009 | LA Lakers | Kobe Bryant | | Pau Gasol | | |
| 2008 | Boston | Kevin Garnett | | Paul Pierce | Ray Allen | |
| 2007 | San Antonio | Tim Duncan | | Tony Parker | | |
| 2006 | Miami | Shaquille O'Neal | Dwyane Wade | | | |
| 2005 | San Antonio | Tim Duncan | | | | |
| 2004 | Detroit | | | Chauncey Billups | Rip Hamilton | Rasheed Wallace |
| 2003 | San Antonio | Tim Duncan | | | | |
| 2002 | LA Lakers | Shaquille O'Neal | Kobe Bryant | | | |
| 2001 | LA Lakers | Shaquille O'Neal | Kobe Bryant | | | |
| 2000 | LA Lakers | Shaquille O'Neal | Kobe Bryant | | | |
| 1999 | San Antonio | Tim Duncan | | David Robinson | | |
| 1998 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1997 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1996 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1995 | Houston | Hakeem Olajuwon | | Clyde Drexler | | |
| 1994 | Houston | Hakeem Olajuwon | | | | |
| 1993 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1992 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1991 | Chicago | Michael Jordan | | Scottie Pippen | | |
| 1990 | Detroit | | | Isiah Thomas | Joe Dumars | |
| 1989 | Detroit | | | Isiah Thomas | Joe Dumars | |
| 1988 | LA Lakers | Magic Johnson | | James Worthy | | |
| 1987 | LA Lakers | Magic Johnson | | James Worthy | | |
| 1986 | Boston | Larry Bird | | Kevin McHale | Robert Parish | |
| 1985 | LA Lakers | Magic Johnson | | Kareem Abdul-Jabar | James Worthy | |
| 1984 | Boston | Larry Bird | | Kevin McHale | Robert Parish | |
| 1983 | Philadelphia | Moses Malone | Julius Erving | | | |
| 1982 | LA Lakers | Magic Johnson | | Kareem Abdul-Jabar | | |
| 1981 | Boston | Larry Bird | | Robert Parish | | |
| 1980 | LA Lakers | Magic Johnson | Kareem Abdul-Jabbar | | | |
| 1979 | Seattle | | | Jack Sikma | | |
| 1978 | Washington | | | Elvin Hayes | | |
| 1977 | Portland | Bill Walton | | | | |

# FDH Early Predictions For 2015-16

EASTERN CONFERENCE
ATLANTIC DIVISION
X-Toronto 52-30
Y-Boston 43-39
Brooklyn 25-57
Philadelphia 23-59
New York 20-62

CENTRAL DIVISION
X-Cleveland 62-20
Y-Chicago 54-28
Y-Milwaukee 44-38
Y-Indiana 40-42
Detroit 30-52

SOUTHEAST DIVISION
X-Washington 48-34
Y-Atlanta 47-35
Miami 39-43
Orlando 34-48
Charlotte 31-51

WESTERN CONFERENCE
SOUTHWEST DIVISION
X-Houston 54-28
Y-New Orleans 51-31
Y-San Antonio 50-32
Y-Memphis 47-35
Dallas 44-38

NORTHWEST DIVISION
X-Oklahoma City 56-26
Y-Utah 46-36
Portland 38-44
Denver 26-56
Minnesota 25-57

PACIFIC DIVISION
X-Golden State 60-22
Y-LA Clippers 55-27
Phoenix 35-47
Sacramento 33-49
LA Lakers 28-54

CONFERENCE QUARTERFINALS
1 Cleveland over 8 Indiana in 5
2 Toronto over 7 Boston in 6
3 Chicago over 6 Milwaukee in 7
4 Washington over 5 Atlanta in 6
1 Golden State over Utah in 5
2 Oklahoma City over 7 Memphis in 6
3 LA Clippers over 6 San Antonio in 6
4 Houston over New Orleans in 7

CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
1 Cleveland over 4 Washington in 5
2 Toronto over 3 Chicago in 7
1 Golden State over 4 Houston in 6
2 Oklahoma City over 3 LA Clippers in 7

CONFERENCE FINALS
1 Cleveland over 2 Toronto in 5
1 Golden State over 2 Oklahoma City in 7

NBA FINALS
Cleveland over Golden State in 6

AWARDS
NBA MVP: Anthony Davis
NBA Finals MVP: Lebron James
Rookie of the Year: Karl-Anthony Towns
Coach of the Year: Quin Snyder

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# 2015 NBA Draft Team Draft Needs

## Blank Mock Draft Worksheet

| # | Team | Needs |
|---|------|-------|
| 1 | Minnesota | PF, SG |
| 2 | LA Lakers | C, PG, SF |
| 3 | Philadelphia | PG, SF, SG |
| 4 | New York | PF, SG, C, PG |
| 5 | Orlando | PF |
| 6 | Sacramento | PF, SG |
| 7 | Denver | C |
| 8 | Detroit | SF, SG |
| 9 | Charlotte | PF, SG |
| 10 | Miami | SG, PF, PG |
| 11 | Indiana | SG, PF, C, SF |
| 12 | Utah | SG |
| 13 | Phoenix | SF, SG, C |
| 14 | Oklahoma City | SG |
| 15 | Atlanta | none |
| 16 | Boston | SF, C, PF |
| 17 | Milwaukee | C, SG |
| 18 | New Orleans | SF, C |
| 19 | Washington | PF, SF |
| 20 | Toronto | SF, PF |
| 21 | Dallas | SG, PF, PG |
| 22 | Chicago | SF, PG |
| 23 | Portland | SF, C, PF, SG |
| 24 | Cleveland | PG, SF |
| 25 | Memphis | SG |
| 26 | San Antonio | C, PF |
| 27 | Houston | SF, PG, PF |
| 28 | LA Clippers | SF, C |
| 29 | Brooklyn | PF, SG, SF |
| 30 | Golden State | C |

| # | Team |
|---|------|
| 1 | MIN |
| 2 | LAL |
| 3 | PHI |
| 4 | NYK |
| 5 | ORL |
| 6 | SAC |
| 7 | DEN |
| 8 | DET |
| 9 | CHA |
| 10 | MIA |
| 11 | IND |
| 12 | UTA |
| 13 | PHO |
| 14 | OKC |
| 15 | ATL |
| 16 | BOS |
| 17 | MIL |
| 18 | HOU |
| 19 | WAS |
| 20 | TOR |
| 21 | DAL |
| 22 | CHI |
| 23 | POR |
| 24 | CLE |
| 25 | MEM |
| 26 | SA |
| 27 | LAL |
| 28 | BOS |
| 29 | BRO |
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## DRAFTOLOGY GUIDES

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## 2015 Free Agency Preview

The list of players who technically will be or can be free agents this summer – including restricted free agents – is vast, but fairly meaningless in terms of conveying how the NBA landscape will change before 2015-16. As such, rather than indulging in pipe dreams about Lebron James or Tim Duncan joining a new team next year, the focus here is on the potential of actual players to create impact in their movements. And the impact pickings are scarce.

The crown jewel for this summer is Portland PF LaMarcus Aldridge, followed closely by Memphis C Marc Gasol. Few players can come close to matching the production of these two (aside from possibly Atlanta PF Paul Millsap and Detroit PF Greg Monroe), but purely in a defensive manner, Dallas C Tyson Chandler, Portland C Robin Lopez and LA Clippers C DeAndre Jordan are pretty important.

Dallas PG Rajon Rondo has demonstrated through his career both the potential to become an impact player with players around him who can shoot and an ability to be completely lost when he is not. Also down in Texas, San Antonio SF Danny Green would seem to be unlikely to leave a good situation, but he could have the ability to cash in and play a bigger role elsewhere.

Other players who can make a difference in the starting lineup and/or bench rotation of the teams they may join include Houston SF Josh Smith, Portland SG Wesley Matthews, Phoenix SG Marcus Thornton, New Orleans C Omer Asik and New York PF/C Andrea Bargnani.

# FDH Alternate Playoff Seeding Proposal

With a new commissioner in Adam Silver comes a chance to examine policies in a fresh way. The perennial imbalance between the West and East certainly seems worse than ever. Under our alternate proposal, there would not be eight teams making the playoffs from each conference in separate brackets. Our format would do away with playoffs by conference. The six division winners would be seeded 1-6, then the remaining ten slots would be filled out by the teams with the best records, regardless of conference, and the lot of them would be seeded 1-16. For a look at how this might work, we re-seeded the 2014-15 playoffs and forecast how each round would have progressed based on how the teams actually played. NOTE: we are presupposing that Kyrie Irving's injury happened, but not Kevin Love's since the Cavs and Celtics didn't meet under this scenario.

FIRST ROUND
1 Golden State over 16 Boston in 4
2 Atlanta over 15 Milwaukee in 6
3 Houston over 14 Oklahoma City in 5
4 Cleveland over 13 New Orleans in 5
12 Washington over 5 Portland in 5
11 Dallas over 6 Toronto in 6
7 LA Clippers over 10 Chicago in 6
8 Memphis over 9 San Antonio in 7

QUARTERFINALS
1 Golden State over 12 Washington in 4
2 Atlanta over 11 Dallas in 7
3 Houston over 8 Memphis in 6
4 Cleveland over 7 LA Clippers

SEMIFINALS
1 Golden State over 4 Cleveland in 6
3 Houston over 2 Atlanta in 5

FINALS
1 Golden State over 3 Houston in 5

| Top 60 Overall | School/Country | Class | Pos | Ht | Wt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Karl-Anthony Towns | Kentucky | Fr. | PF | 6--11 | 255 |
| 2 Jahlil Okafor | Duke | Fr. | C | 6--11 | 270 |
| 3 Emmanuel Mudiay | China | - | PG | 6--5 | 200 |
| 4 D'Angelo Russell | Ohio State | Fr. | SG | 6--5 | 180 |
| 5 Justise Winslow | Duke | Fr. | SF | 6--6 | 225 |
| 6 Kristaps Porzingis | Latvia | - | PF | 6--11 | 220 |
| 7 Mario Hezonja | Croatia | - | SG | 6--7 | 195 |
| 8 Willie Cauley-Stein | Kentucky | Jr. | C | 7--0 | 242 |
| 9 Stanley Johnson | Arizona | Fr. | SF | 6--7 | 245 |
| 10 Bobby Portis | Arkansas | So. | PF | 6--11 | 242 |
| 11 Myles Turner | Texas | Fr. | C | 6--11 | 240 |
| 12 Devin Booker | Kentucky | Fr. | SG | 6--6 | 206 |
| 13 Trey Lyles | Kentucky | Fr. | PF | 6--10 | 235 |
| 14 Kelly Oubre Jr. | Kansas | Fr. | SF | 6--7 | 200 |
| 15 Frank Kaminsky | Wisconsin | Sr. | C | 7--0 | 242 |
| 16 Sam Dekker | Wisconsin | Jr. | SF | 6--9 | 230 |
| 17 Jerian Grant | Notre Dame | Sr. | PG | 6--5 | 204 |
| 18 Cameron Payne | Murray State | So. | PG | 6--2 | 180 |
| 19 Kevon Looney | UCLA | Fr. | PF | 6--9 | 220 |
| 20 Montrezl Harrell | Louisville | Jr. | PF | 6--8 | 240 |
| 21 Delon Wright | Utah | Sr. | PG | 6--5 | 190 |
| 22 Tyus Jones | Duke | Fr. | PG | 6--1 | 190 |
| 23 Justin Anderson | Virginia | Jr. | SF | 6--6 | 228 |
| 24 Rondae Hollis-Jefferson | Arizona | So. | SF | 6--7 | 220 |
| 25 R.J. Hunter | Georgia State | Jr. | SG | 6--6 | 190 |
| 26 Terry Rozier | Louisville | So. | PG | 6--1 | 190 |
| 27 Chris McCullough | Syracuse | Fr. | PF | 6--10 | 220 |
| 28 Christian Wood | UNLV | So. | PF | 6--11 | 220 |
| 29 Jarell Martin | LSU | So. | PF | 6--10 | 235 |
| 30 Rashad Vaughn | UNLV | Fr. | SG | 6--6 | 210 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 31 | Norman Powell | UCLA | Sr. | SG | 6--4 | 215 |
| 32 | Guillermo Hernangomez | Spain | - | C | 6--11 | 255 |
| 33 | Jordan Mickey | LSU | So. | PF | 6--8 | 235 |
| 34 | Aleksandar Vezenkov | Bulgaria | Fr. | SF | 6--8 | 210 |
| 35 | Cliff Alexander | Kansas | Fr. | PF | 6--8 | 240 |
| 36 | Cedi Osman | Macedonia | - | PG | 6--6 | 190 |
| 37 | Robert Upshaw | Washington | Jr. | C | 7--0 | 250 |
| 38 | Olivier Hanlan | Boston College | Jr. | PG | 6--4 | 190 |
| 39 | Rakeem Christmas | Syracuse | Sr. | C | 6--9 | 250 |
| 40 | Joseph Young | Oregon | Sr. | SG | 6--2 | 180 |
| 41 | J.P. Tokoto | North Carolina | Jr. | SF | 6--2 | 200 |
| 42 | Mouhammadou Jaiteh | France | - | C | 6--11 | 249 |
| 43 | Nikola Milutinov | Serbia | - | C | 6--11 | 220 |
| 44 | Georges Lucas Alves de Paula | Brazil | - | PG | 6--5 | 200 |
| 45 | Dakari Johnson | Kentucky | So. | C | 7--0 | 255 |
| 46 | Andrew Harrison | Kentucky | So. | PG | 6--6 | 210 |
| 47 | Timothe Luwawu | France | - | SG | 6--7 | 205 |
| 48 | Richaun Holmes | Bowling Green | Sr. | PF | 6--8 | 214 |
| 49 | Michael Qualls | Arkansas | Jr. | SG | 6--6 | 205 |
| 50 | Moussa Diagne | Senegal | - | C | 6--11 | 230 |
| 51 | Aaron White | Iowa | Sr. | PF | 6--9 | 228 |
| 52 | Vince Hunter | Texas-El Paso | So. | PF | 6--8 | 205 |
| 53 | Brandon Ashley | Arizona | Jr. | PF | 6--9 | 230 |
| 54 | Tyler Harvey | Eastern Washington | So. | SG | 6--4 | 185 |
| 55 | Anthony Brown | Stanford | Sr. | SF | 6--6 | 215 |
| 56 | Alpha Kaba | France | - | PF | 6--10 | 225 |
| 57 | Arturas Gudaitis | Lithuania | - | C | 6--10 | 253 |
| 58 | Michael Frazier II | Florida | Jr. | SG | 6--4 | 194 |
| 59 | Nedim Buza | Bosnia | - | SF | 6--7 | 190 |
| 60 | Jonathan Holmes | Texas | Sr. | SF | 6--8 | 240 |