Scouting PHI · from Indiana's side

Philadelphia 76ers

2026-27: 4 games (Oct 20 @ NYK · Oct 22 vs CLE · Oct 24 vs MIL · Oct 25 vs DET) · baseline 2025-26 regular season

PHI @ IND
Wed Oct 28, 2026 · 7:00 PM ET
Game 0022600135

INJURY REPORT & SCHEDULE · official report of 2026-10-28, read 2026-10-28 21:52 UTC; statuses as listed, no reasons

PHI Ariel Hukporti: Out · Dominick Barlow: Out · Jabari Walker: Out · Tacko Fall: Out

IND Ben Sheppard: Out · Ivica Zubac: Out · Johnny Furphy: Out · T.J. McConnell: Out · Andrew Nembhard: Questionable · Tyrese Haliburton: Questionable · Aaron Nesmith: Probable · Braden Smith: Probable · Jalen Slawson: Probable · Kobe Brown: Probable · Obi Toppin: Probable

PHI: 2 days of rest, previous game Oct 25 vs DET.

IN TEN SECONDS

1. Last season: 5th-most rim attempts (33%), 8th-most turnovers forced (15.5/100), 8th-most transition (12%), 6th-fewest turnovers (13.7/100).
2. Scoring last season: J. Brown 28.7/g (20.8 so far), T. Maxey 28.3/g (28.8 so far), J. Embiid 26.9/g (21.7 so far).

TEAM KEYS

- Paint team last season: 33% at the rim (5th most); 39% 3PA share (23rd of 30). Chase Maxey 37%, Simons 38%, Wade 36%; wall up on Bona.
- Soft rim protection: get 33% of their shots there (6th most). Get downhill; finish at the rim.
- Poor finishers: 63.2% at the rim (3rd worst). Meet them at the rim; verticality.
- Isolation-heavy: only 59% of their makes are assisted (3rd fewest). Load up on the ball; help off the corners late.
- Inefficient offense: eFG% 53.0% (5th worst). Make them take contested twos.
- Soft on the defensive glass: DREB% 67.8% (5th worst). Send two to the offensive boards.

STARTERS · LAST GAME

0 Tyrese Maxey

G · 6-2 · age 25 · 6 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 PHI · 70 GP · 38.0 MPG · 28.3 pts · 4.1 reb · 6.6 ast · 36.7% 3P on 8.6 3PA · 89% FT
26-27 4 GP · 37.8 MPG · 28.8 pts · 4.0 reb · 4.8 ast · 30% 3P on 7.5 3PA

3P% **above average** · Rim FG% **below average** · FT% **elite** · Ball security **excellent** · Gets to line **good**

- New this season: assisted share of made FGs up, 45% -> 61% (41 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Doesn't turn it over: 9.2 TO per 100 usage (82nd pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Capable 3: 36.7% on 8.6/g (58th pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.

7 Jaylen Brown

G-F · 6-6 · age 30 · 10 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · BOS LAST SEASON

25-26 BOS · 71 GP · 34.4 MPG · 28.7 pts · 6.9 reb · 5.1 ast · 34.7% 3P on 5.7 3PA · 80% FT
26-27 4 GP · 36.8 MPG · 20.8 pts · 5.8 reb · 4.8 ast · 8/19 3P

3P% **below average** · Rim FG% **above average** · FT% **above average** · Ball security **average** · Gets to line **excellent**

- New this season: share of FGA from Restricted Area up, 25% -> 42% (73 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Capable 3: 34.7% on 5.7/g (40th pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.
- Lives at the line: 0.35 FTA per FGA (excellent, 81st pct), 6.3 fouls drawn/g, 80% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.

1 Kentavious Caldwell-Pope

G · 6-5 · age 33 · 13 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · MEM LAST SEASON

25-26 MEM · 51 GP · 21.3 MPG · 8.4 pts · 2.5 reb · 2.7 ast · 31.6% 3P on 3.4 3PA · 91% FT
26-27 4 GP · 27.6 MPG · 8.0 pts · 3.0 reb · 1.8 ast · 8/17 3P

3P% **bad** · FT% **elite** · Ball security **below average** · Gets to line **below average**

- New this season: pull-up family share of FGA down, 36% -> 8% (25 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Volume 3s at 31.6%, 3.4/g (15th pct): make him shoot contested, no fly-bys.
- Pull-up shooter: 36% of his shots are pull-ups (89th pct, 39%). Stay attached over screens; contest without fouling.

23 LeBron James

F · 6-9 · age 41 · 23 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · LAL LAST SEASON

25-26 LAL · 60 GP · 33.2 MPG · 20.9 pts · 6.1 reb · 7.2 ast · 31.7% 3P on 4.0 3PA · 74% FT
26-27 3 GP · 33.5 MPG · 16.3 pts · 7.0 reb · 5.7 ast · 1/10 3P

3P% **bad** · Rim FG% **elite** · FT% **below average** · Ball security **bad** · Gets to line **excellent**

- Elite finisher: 74% at the rim (90th pct) on 365 attempts, 40% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.
- New this season: share of FGA from Restricted Area up, 40% -> 62% (42 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Volume 3s at 31.7%, 4.0/g (15th pct): make him shoot contested, no fly-bys.
- Lives at the line: 0.34 FTA per FGA (excellent, 80th pct), 3.7 fouls drawn/g, 74% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.

45 Dean Wade

F-C · 6-9 · age 29 · 7 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME · NEW · CLE LAST SEASON

25-26 CLE · 59 GP · 22.3 MPG · 5.8 pts · 4.2 reb · 1.5 ast · 36.2% 3P on 3.3 3PA · 71% FT
26-27 2 GP · 32.6 MPG · 7.0 pts · 3.5 reb · 0.5 ast · 3/6 3P

3P% **above average** · Ball security **elite**

- Doesn't turn it over: 5.2 TO per 100 usage (99th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Capable 3: 36.2% on 3.3/g (54th pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.

BENCH

21 Joel Embiid
C-F · 7-0 · age 32 · 10 yrs · STARTED 3 OF 3 · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME

25-26 PHI · 38 GP · 31.6 MPG · 26.9 pts · 7.7 reb · 4.0 ast · 33.3% 3P on 4.2 3PA · 85% FT
26-27 3 GP · 34.7 MPG · 21.7 pts · 9.7 reb · 5.7 ast · 3/14 3P

3P% below average · Rim FG% above average · FT% excellent · Ball security above average · Gets to line elite

- Lives at the line: 0.48 FTA per FGA (elite, 95th pct), 6.1 fouls drawn/g, 85% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.
- Capable 3: 33.3% on 4.2/g (30th pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.

77 VJ Edgecombe
G · 6-5 · age 21 · 1 yrs · STARTED 3 OF 3 · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME

25-26 PHI · 75 GP · 35.0 MPG · 16.0 pts · 5.6 reb · 4.2 ast · 35.4% 3P on 5.6 3PA · 82% FT
26-27 3 GP · 32.6 MPG · 12.3 pts · 8.0 reb · 3.0 ast · 6/17 3P

3P% average · Rim FG% bad · FT% good · Ball security good · Gets to line below average

- New this season: catch-and-shoot-3 proxy share of FGA up, 24% -> 41% (34 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Poor finisher: 60% at the rim (bad, 14th pct) on 295 attempts. Meet him at the rim; verticality, no fouls.
- Capable 3: 35.4% on 5.6/g (46th pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.

5 Anfernee Simons
G · 6-4 · age 27 · 8 yrs · NEW · BOS/CHI LAST SEASON

25-26 BOS/CHI · 55 GP · 24.9 MPG · 14.3 pts · 2.5 reb · 2.4 ast · 38.5% 3P on 6.9 3PA · 90% FT
26-27 4 GP · 22.3 MPG · 6.0 pts · 2.2 reb · 1.2 ast · 24% 3P on 5.2 3PA

3P% excellent · FT% elite · Ball security excellent · Gets to line bad

- Doesn't get to the line: 0.12 FTA per FGA (11th pct). Be physical; the whistle is quiet.
- Doesn't turn it over: 9.2 TO per 100 usage (83rd pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Knockdown 3: 38.5% on 6.9/g (75th pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

30 Adem Bona
F · 6-10 · age 23 · 2 yrs · FOUL TARGET

25-26 PHI · 71 GP · 17.4 MPG · 4.8 pts · 4.3 reb · 0.5 ast · 33.3% 3P on 0.1 3PA · 71% FT
26-27 4 GP · 14.5 MPG · 2.0 pts · 4.8 reb · 0.8 ast · 0/2 3P

Rim FG% below average · FT% bad · Ball security bad

- Pressure him: 17.2 TO per 100 usage (bad, 8th pct), 12% of them bad passes; 4 TO in 4 games so far. Hands in the lanes.
- Non-shooter (0.1 3PA/g): sag off him and help from him; no closeouts needed.
- Poor finisher: 64% at the rim (below average, 34th pct) on 189 attempts. Meet him at the rim; verticality, no fouls.
- Foul-prone: 4.5 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two.

33 Jabari Walker
F · 6-7 · age 24 · 4 yrs · Out · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME · FOUL TARGET

25-26 PHI · 64 GP · 11.9 MPG · 4.3 pts · 3.0 reb · 0.5 ast · 33.7% 3P on 1.5 3PA · 74% FT
26-27 3 GP · 6.3 MPG · 2.7 pts · 1.3 reb · 0.7 ast · 0/0 3P

Rim FG% bad

- Poor finisher: 60% at the rim (bad, 17th pct) on 101 attempts. Meet him at the rim; verticality, no fouls.
- Non-shooter (1.5 3PA/g, 34% from 3): go under screens, help off him.
- Crashes the glass (3.4 OREB per 36): hit him first, then go get it.
- Foul-prone: 4.9 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two.

00 Labaron Philon Jr.
G · 6-3 · age 20 · rookie

25-26 – · 0 GP · – MPG · – pts · – reb · – ast · – 3P on – 3PA · – FT
26-27 2 GP · 8.3 MPG · 2.5 pts · 1.0 reb · 0.5 ast · 1/3 3P

Also seen: C. Love (#8 G, 0.5 min), J. Edwards (#11 F, 0.5 min). Not seen yet: D. Barlow (#25 F, PHI 23.8 MPG last season), R. Rupert (#12 G-F, MEM/POR 16.8 MPG last season), A. Hukporti (#55 C, NYK 9.2 MPG last season), T. Fall (#99 C).

GAME PLAN BOXES

FOUL HIM LATE (FT)

- **A. Bona** — 71% FT (113 FTA, 17th pct)
- **L. James** — 74% FT (316 FTA, 28th pct), 10/15 in clutch
- Don't foul: K. Caldwell-Pope 91% FT; A. Simons 90% FT; T. Maxey 89% FT; J. Embiid 85% FT; V. Edgecombe 82% FT

FOUL TROUBLE

- **A. Bona** — 4.5 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two

SHOT PROFILE · ZONES AND DIET

SHOT ZONES · SHARE OF FGA, FG%

	25-26	FG%	26-27	FG%
Restricted area	33%	63%	36%	59%
Paint (non-RA)	16%	41%	13%	29%
Mid-range	11%	42%	14%	39%
Corner 3	9%	37%	10%	31%
Above the break 3	30%	34%	28%	32%

SHOT DIET · SHARE OF FGA, FG%

	25-26	FG%	26-27	FG%
Pull-ups	21%	36%	19%	33%
Drives	30%	55%	30%	48%
Finishes	10%	64%	9%	55%
Catch-and-shoot 3s	24%	36%	25%	34%
Other shots	14%	47%	17%	47%

Zones from the play-by-play (corner 3s merged), FG% on those attempts. Diet from the shot descriptors: pull-ups (pull-ups and step-backs), drives (2s driving or on the run), finishes (cuts, putbacks, alley-oops, tips), catch-and-shoot 3s (3s with no descriptor: a proxy, the feed records no touch time), other shots (turnarounds, fadeaways, floaters and every other move, and 2s with no descriptor). Bars: last season's share of FGA.

8 player rates flagged as changed from last season (bullets starting 'New this season'); 0 team-level (under Team keys).

ROTATION · LAST SEASON RATES

#	PLAYER	MIN 26-27	MPG 25-26	FGA/G	3PA SHARE	3P%	RA SHARE	RA FG%	FT%	PULL-UP SHARE	DRIVE SHARE	C&S 3 SHARE	AST'D SHARE	TO/100 USAGE	FTA/FGA	PF/36	FOULS DRAWN/G	FLAGS
0	T. Maxey	151.0	38.0	21.4	40%	36.7%	30%	63%	89%	31%	41%	34%	45%	9.2	0.28	2.0	4.1	1
7	J. Brown	147.3	34.4	21.7	26%	34.7%	25%	68%	80%	33%	37%	46%	36%	12.7	0.35	2.8	6.3	2
1	K. Caldwell-Pope	110.3	21.3	7.2	48%	31.6%	17%	60%	91%	36%	24%	59%	78%	13.2	0.22	1.9	1.3	2
21	J. Embiid	104.0	31.6	18.3	23%	33.3%	26%	68%	85%	16%	16%	82%	65%	11.4	0.48	2.5	6.1	0
23	L. James	100.4	33.2	15.3	26%	31.7%	40%	74%	74%	16%	37%	56%	54%	14.5	0.34	1.5	3.7	1
77	V. Edgecombe	97.9	35.0	13.7	41%	35.4%	29%	60%	82%	28%	32%	59%	56%	11.0	0.18	2.9	1.9	2
5	A. Simons	89.1	24.9	11.8	58%	38.5%	10%	68%	90%	39%	25%	45%	44%	9.2	0.12	2.5	1.1	0
45	D. Wade	65.2	22.3	4.7	70%	36.2%	23%	64%	71%	2%	12%	82%	88%	5.2	0.14	2.5	0.8	0
30	A. Bona	58.0	17.4	3.1	3%	33.3%	86%	64%	71%	0%	20%	100%	60%	17.2	0.51	4.5	1.4	0
33	J. Walker	19.0	11.9	3.3	45%	33.7%	47%	60%	74%	2%	18%	92%	67%	10.0	0.32	4.9	0.9	0
00	L. Philon Jr.	16.7	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	–	0
8	C. Love	0.5	20.7	10.0	60%	31.8%	20%	57%	74%	26%	30%	60%	62%	11.0	0.10	1.7	0.7	0
11	J. Edwards	0.5	15.3	5.0	56%	37.2%	21%	67%	85%	20%	24%	77%	70%	9.7	0.12	3.3	0.5	0

HOW TO READ IT

Baseline = 2025-26 regular season (82 games; a player's baseline covers every game he played, with any team). Recent = 2026-27 (4 games). For each rate, shrink the recent proportion toward the baseline with a Beta prior of strength m (empirical-Bayes flavour): p1_shrunk = (k1 + m*p0)/(n1 + m), with m = 60 for shot-diet / zone / assisted shares, m = 250 for FG%-type rates (rim FG%, 3P%; 3P% needs ~750 attempts to stabilize, so a 10-game 3P% is almost never flaggable by design), m = 60 for turnover rate. FLAG when |p1_shrunk - p0| >= 0.06 AND |z| >= 2.0 where z = (k1/n1 - p0)/sqrt(p0*(1-p0)/n1) (raw recent proportion against the baseline proportion, SE from p0) AND n1 >= 15 recent trials. Here the windows are disjoint.

Grades are words on one scale: elite ≥ 90th percentile, excellent 75–89, good 60–74, above average 50–59, average 40–49, below average 25–39, bad < 25. Shooting and ball-security percentiles are computed from the play-by-play among qualified players (3P% 100+ 3PA, rim FG% 100+ restricted-area attempts, FT% 75+ FTA, rates per FGA 300+ FGA, ball security 300+ usage events). Starters are the players who started the team's last game. Statuses are the official injury report's, as listed, with the report's date and the time it was read, never a reason; a carded player listed at either of the two most serious statuses keeps his card but leaves the free-throw and foul boxes. Every sentence above is produced from these numbers by fixed templates.

Computed by NightlyHoops from play-by-play and box scores of regular-season games, and the league's official injury report (statuses only). Data collected 2026-10-28; report built 2026-10-28 21:52 UTC.