Scouting BOS · from Washington's side

# Boston Celtics

2026-27: 17 games (Oct 20 @ DET · Oct 23 vs NYK · Oct 26 vs CHI · Oct 27 vs BKN · Oct 30 vs CHI · Nov 1 @ ORL · Nov 2 @ HOU · Nov 4 vs MIL · Nov 6 @ CHA · Nov 8 @ MIL · Nov 10 @ PHI · Nov 11 @ TOR · Nov 15 vs DAL · Nov 16 vs ORL · Nov 18 @ DEN · Nov 21 @ SAC · Nov 22 @ GSW) · baseline 2025-26 regular season

**BOS @ WAS**
Tue Nov 24, 2026 · 8:00 PM ET
Game 0022600053

**INJURY REPORT & SCHEDULE** · official report of 2026-11-24, read 2026-11-24 23:47 UTC; statuses as listed, no reasons

**BOS** Amari Williams: Out · Dillon Mitchell: Out · Mitchell Robinson: Out

**WAS** Jamir Watkins: Out · Justin Champagnie: Out · Reece Beekman: Out · Tristan Vukčević: Out · Felix Okpara: Questionable · Tre Mann: Questionable

BOS: one day of rest, 3 games in 4 nights, previous game Nov 22 @ GSW.

## IN TEN SECONDS

1. **Last season: fewest rim attempts (22%), 5th-best offensive rebounding (33.7%), 6th-fewest turnovers forced (13.3/100), 9th-fewest fouls (19.1/g). Through 17 games the profile has moved: assisted share 58% → 67%; shooting-foul share 51% → 40% (669 trials; each clears the flag rule).**
2. **Scoring last season: J. Tatum 21.8/g (26.4 so far), P. George 17.3/g (19.9 so far), P. Pritchard 17.0/g (12.9 so far).**

## TEAM KEYS

- Also moved through 17 games (370 trials): shooting-foul share 51% → 40%. Small sample, but each clears the flag rule.
- Perimeter team last season: 41% paint attempts (fewest in the league); 22% at the rim (fewest in the league); 47% 3PA share (4th of 30). Chase Pritchard 38%, George 39%, Hauser 39%, Scheierman 40%, Walsh 38%; wall up on Queta, Carter.
- Rim protection: opponents shoot 64% at the rim (7th best) and get 23% of their shots there (fewest in the league). Drive to kick; don't finish into the bigs.
- Slow pace: 93.9 possessions per game (1st slowest).
- Half-court team: 9% of FGA in transition (fewest in the league). Pressure the ball; they don't run.
- They rarely get to the line: 0.21 FTA per FGA (fewest in the league). Be physical; the whistle is quiet.

## STARTERS · LAST GAME

### 0 Jayson Tatum

F-G · 6-8 · age 28 · 9 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 BOS · 16 GP · 32.6 MPG · 21.8 pts · 10.0 reb · 5.3 ast · 32.9% 3P on 8.9 3PA · 82% FT

26-27 15 GP · 34.3 MPG · 26.4 pts · 6.9 reb · 6.7 ast · 34% 3P on 8.1 3PA

3P% **bad** FT% **good** Ball security **good**

- New this season: share of FGA from Mid-Range up, 13% -> 20% (297 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Volume 3s at 32.9%, 8.9/g (24th pct): make him shoot contested, no fly-bys.

### 9 Derrick White

G · 6-4 · age 32 · 9 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 BOS · 77 GP · 34.1 MPG · 16.4 pts · 4.4 reb · 5.4 ast · 32.7% 3P on 8.3 3PA · 90% FT

26-27 16 GP · 30.0 MPG · 12.8 pts · 3.0 reb · 5.0 ast · 29% 3P on 6.1 3PA

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

- New this season: pull-up family share of FGA down, 38% -> 22% (188 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Volume 3s at 32.7%, 8.3/g (22nd pct): make him shoot contested, no fly-bys.
- Pull-up shooter: 38% of his shots are pull-ups (94th pct, 36%). Stay attached over screens; contest without fouling.

### 88 Neemias Queta

C · 7-0 · age 27 · 5 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 BOS · 76 GP · 25.4 MPG · 10.2 pts · 8.4 reb · 1.7 ast · 12.5% 3P on 0.1 3PA · 70% FT

26-27 16 GP · 23.3 MPG · 9.8 pts · 7.1 reb · 2.0 ast · 5/7 3P

Rim FG% **elite** FT% **bad** Ball security **above average** Gets to line **excellent**

- Elite finisher: 75% at the rim (92nd pct) on 343 attempts, 69% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.
- Lives at the line: 0.35 FTA per FGA (excellent, 82nd pct), 2.5 fouls drawn/g, 70% FT. Verticality, hands back, no reach.
- Non-shooter (0.1 3PA/g): sag off him and help from him; no closeouts needed.

### 30 Sam Hauser

F · 6-7 · age 28 · 5 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 BOS · 78 GP · 24.8 MPG · 9.2 pts · 3.9 reb · 1.5 ast · 39.3% 3P on 6.5 3PA · 85% FT

26-27 17 GP · 21.1 MPG · 8.4 pts · 3.2 reb · 1.2 ast · 43% 3P on 5.6 3PA

3P% **excellent** Ball security **elite** Gets to line **bad**

- Doesn't turn it over: 5.4 TO per 100 usage (99th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- New this season: catch-and-shoot-3 proxy share of FGA down, 59% -> 47% (110 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Knockdown 3: 39.3% on 6.5/g (82nd pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

### 28 Hugo González

G · 6-6 · age 20 · 1 yrs · STARTED LAST GAME

25-26 BOS · 74 GP · 14.7 MPG · 3.9 pts · 3.3 reb · 0.5 ast · 36.2% 3P on 1.6 3PA · 50% FT

26-27 17 GP · 13.6 MPG · 4.1 pts · 2.5 reb · 0.6 ast · 26% 3P on 2.3 3PA

3P% **above average**

- New this season: 3PA share of FGA up, 47% -> 65% (60 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Takes 1.6 3s/g at 36.2% (53rd pct): respect it, closeout.

## BENCH

### 11 Payton Pritchard
G · 6-1 · age 28 · 6 yrs · STARTED 1 OF 17

25-26 BOS · 79 GP · 32.4 MPG · 17.0 pts · 4.0 reb · 5.2 ast · 37.7% 3P on 7.1 3PA · 89% FT
26-27 17 GP · 27.7 MPG · 12.9 pts · 3.1 reb · 4.1 ast · 34% 3P on 6.4 3PA

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

- Doesn't turn it over: 8.7 TO per 100 usage (88th pct). Don't gamble for steals; play him straight up.
- Doesn't get to the line: 0.12 FTA per FGA (13th pct). Be physical; the whistle is quiet.
- Knockdown 3: 37.7% on 7.1/g (68th pct). No help off him; run him off the line.

### 13 Paul George
F · 6-8 · age 36 · 16 yrs · STARTED 14 OF 14 · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME · NEW · PHI LAST SEASON

25-26 PHI · 37 GP · 30.7 MPG · 17.3 pts · 5.3 reb · 3.6 ast · 39.2% 3P on 6.9 3PA · 82% FT
26-27 14 GP · 30.1 MPG · 19.9 pts · 5.6 reb · 3.8 ast · 41% 3P on 8.1 3PA

3P% excellent · FT% good · Ball security good · Gets to line below average

- New this season: assisted share of made FGs up, 55% -> 66% (99 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Knockdown 3: 39.2% on 6.9/g (82nd pct). No help off him; run him off the line.
- Corner specialist: 45% from the corners (64 att), 37% above the break (191). No help off the corners; help off him on top.

### 55 Baylor Scheierman
G · 6-6 · age 26 · 2 yrs · STARTED 2 OF 17

25-26 BOS · 77 GP · 18.6 MPG · 5.5 pts · 3.5 reb · 1.5 ast · 39.9% 3P on 3.2 3PA · 90% FT
26-27 17 GP · 19.1 MPG · 5.4 pts · 3.6 reb · 1.4 ast · 36% 3P on 3.2 3PA

3P% excellent · Ball security above average · Gets to line bad

- Knockdown 3: 39.9% on 3.2/g (86th pct). No help off him; run him off the line.
- Corner specialist: 48% from the corners (88 att), 36% above the break (155). No help off the corners; help off him on top.

### 27 Jordan Walsh
G · 6-6 · age 22 · 3 yrs · STARTED 10 OF 17

25-26 BOS · 68 GP · 17.8 MPG · 5.3 pts · 4.0 reb · 0.8 ast · 38.4% 3P on 1.8 3PA · 77% FT
26-27 17 GP · 14.9 MPG · 4.3 pts · 2.8 reb · 0.5 ast · 27% 3P on 2.6 3PA

3P% good · Rim FG% excellent · Ball security good

- New this season: catch-and-shoot-3 proxy share of FGA up, 41% -> 61% (71 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Takes 1.8 3s/g at 38.4% (74th pct): respect it, closeout.
- Elite finisher: 72% at the rim (81st pct) on 110 attempts, 41% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.

### 4 Mitchell Robinson
C-F · 7-0 · age 28 · 8 yrs · Out · STARTED 5 OF 14 · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME · NEW · NYK LAST SEASON

25-26 NYK · 60 GP · 19.6 MPG · 5.7 pts · 8.8 reb · 0.9 ast · – 3P on 0.0 3PA · 41% FT
26-27 14 GP · 17.5 MPG · 5.1 pts · 5.4 reb · 0.9 ast · 0/0 3P

Rim FG% excellent · FT% bad

- Elite finisher: 72% at the rim (83rd pct) on 204 attempts, 99% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.
- Non-shooter (0.0 3PA/g): sag off him and help from him; no closeouts needed.
- Crashes the glass (7.7 OREB per 36): hit him first, then go get it.

### 52 Luka Garza
C · 6-10 · age 27 · 5 yrs · STARTED 2 OF 17 · FOUL TARGET

25-26 BOS · 69 GP · 16.2 MPG · 8.1 pts · 4.1 reb · 1.0 ast · 43.3% 3P on 1.8 3PA · 77% FT
26-27 17 GP · 12.8 MPG · 5.7 pts · 3.1 reb · 1.5 ast · 37% 3P on 2.4 3PA

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

- New this season: catch-and-shoot-3 proxy share of FGA up, 35% -> 54% (76 trials 2026-27 regular season to date; 2025-26 regular season baseline).
- Takes 1.8 3s/g at 43.3% (97th pct): respect it, closeout.
- Elite finisher: 72% at the rim (81st pct) on 158 attempts, 44% of his shots. No free runs; build the wall early.
- Foul-prone: 5.2 PF per 36 (2025-26 regular season). Attack him early; get him to two.

### 8 Ron Harper Jr.
G-F · 6-5 · age 26 · 4 yrs

25-26 BOS · 29 GP · 11.0 MPG · 4.2 pts · 1.7 reb · 0.8 ast · 35.0% 3P on 2.8 3PA · 75% FT
26-27 9 GP · 7.3 MPG · 2.9 pts · 0.6 reb · 0.4 ast · 6/18 3P

- 2.8 3PA/g at 35.0%: contest, don't over-help.

### 45 Mike Conley
G · 6-0 · age 39 · 19 yrs · STARTED 1 OF 6 · NEW · MIN LAST SEASON

25-26 MIN · 54 GP · 18.4 MPG · 4.5 pts · 1.7 reb · 2.9 ast · 33.7% 3P on 3.1 3PA · 90% FT
26-27 6 GP · 11.0 MPG · 6.2 pts · 1.5 reb · 1.3 ast · 10/12 3P

3P% below average

- Capable 3: 33.7% on 3.1/g (32nd pct). Closeout under control, contest every one.

### 12 Chris Cenac Jr.
F · 6-11 · age 19 · rookie

25-26 – · 0 GP · – MPG · – pts · – reb · – ast · – 3P on – 3PA · – FT
26-27 8 GP · 7.9 MPG · 3.2 pts · 2.4 reb · 0.1 ast · 2/9 3P

### 99 Devin Carter
G · 6-2 · age 24 · 2 yrs · DID NOT PLAY LAST GAME · NEW · SAC LAST SEASON

25-26 SAC · 38 GP · 18.4 MPG · 8.9 pts · 3.3 reb · 2.7 ast · 26.5% 3P on 3.0 3PA · 71% FT
26-27 2 GP · 8.0 MPG · 0.0 pts · 2.0 reb · 0.5 ast · 0/2 3P

3P% bad · FT% bad · Ball security below average

- Low-volume, 26.5% from 3 (3.0/g): help off him in the gaps.
- Pressure him: 14.0 TO per 100 usage (below average, 26th pct), 46% of them bad passes; 3 TO in 2 games so far. Hands in the lanes.

Also seen: D. Mitchell (#20 F, 2.5 min). Not seen yet: A. Williams (#77 F-C, BOS 6.6 MPG last season).

## GAME PLAN BOXES

### FOUL HIM LATE (FT)

- **N. Queta** — 70% FT (175 FTA, 16th pct), 9/12 in clutch
- **D. Carter** — 71% FT (94 FTA, 20th pct)
- Don't foul: D. White 90% FT; P. Pritchard 89% FT; J. Tatum 82% FT; P. George 82% FT

### FOUL TROUBLE

- **L. Garza** — 5.2 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 | 22% | 70% | 24% | 63% |
| Paint (non-RA) | 18% | 48% | 15% | 46% |
| Mid-range | 12% | 41% | 11% | 40% |
| Corner 3 | 8% | 42% | 12% | 41% |
| Above the break 3 | 38% | 36% | 38% | 34% |

### SHOT DIET · SHARE OF FGA, FG%

| | 25-26 | FG% | 26-27 | FG% |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Pull-ups | 26% | 40% | 24% | 39% |
| Drives | 22% | 56% | 18% | 54% |
| Finishes | 9% | 72% | 12% | 68% |
| Catch-and-shoot 3s | 28% | 38% | 32% | 36% |
| Other shots | 15% | 46% | 14% | 40% |

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.

20 player rates flagged as changed from last season (bullets starting 'New this season'); 2 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 | J. Tatum | 514.9 | 32.6 | 17.9 | 50% | 32.9% | 23% | 61% | 82% | 42% | 30% | 27% | 36% | 10.8 | 0.28 | 1.8 | 3.4 | 4 |
| 9 | D. White | 480.4 | 34.1 | 14.4 | 58% | 32.7% | 11% | 68% | 90% | 38% | 24% | 50% | 59% | 10.1 | 0.18 | 1.6 | 2.8 | 4 |
| 11 | P. Pritchard | 470.5 | 32.4 | 13.8 | 52% | 37.7% | 14% | 67% | 89% | 38% | 18% | 52% | 45% | 8.7 | 0.12 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 0 |
| 13 | P. George | 421.7 | 30.7 | 13.9 | 50% | 39.2% | 14% | 55% | 82% | 36% | 16% | 62% | 55% | 10.2 | 0.22 | 2.7 | 2.6 | 1 |
| 88 | N. Queta | 372.4 | 25.4 | 6.6 | 2% | 12.5% | 69% | 75% | 70% | 0% | 12% | 88% | 74% | 11.5 | 0.35 | 4.0 | 2.5 | 0 |
| 30 | S. Hauser | 358.2 | 24.8 | 7.7 | 84% | 39.3% | 5% | 77% | 85% | 22% | 2% | 71% | 93% | 5.4 | 0.03 | 2.1 | 0.4 | 1 |
| 55 | B. Scheierman | 324.6 | 18.6 | 4.3 | 73% | 39.9% | 9% | 73% | 90% | 20% | 15% | 70% | 85% | 11.7 | 0.09 | 2.7 | 0.9 | 0 |
| 27 | J. Walsh | 252.9 | 17.8 | 3.9 | 47% | 38.4% | 41% | 72% | 77% | 3% | 26% | 88% | 74% | 10.7 | 0.21 | 4.1 | 0.8 | 4 |
| 4 | M. Robinson | 245.6 | 19.6 | 3.4 | 0% | – | 99% | 72% | 41% | 0% | 2% | – | 58% | 14.0 | 0.50 | 3.9 | 1.5 | 0 |
| 28 | H. González | 231.4 | 14.7 | 3.3 | 47% | 36.2% | 37% | 71% | 50% | 5% | 28% | 84% | 79% | 12.9 | 0.11 | 4.1 | 0.7 | 2 |
| 52 | L. Garza | 218.2 | 16.2 | 5.2 | 36% | 43.3% | 44% | 72% | 77% | 0% | 8% | 98% | 70% | 10.1 | 0.33 | 5.2 | 1.7 | 4 |
| 8 | R. Harper Jr. | 66.1 | 11.0 | 3.8 | 73% | 35.0% | 16% | 78% | 75% | 14% | 16% | 74% | 74% | 6.7 | 0.04 | 2.3 | 0.3 | 0 |
| 45 | M. Conley | 65.8 | 18.4 | 4.0 | 77% | 33.7% | 7% | 44% | 90% | 28% | 17% | 58% | 89% | 12.6 | 0.23 | 3.1 | 0.9 | 0 |
| 12 | C. Cenac Jr. | 63.2 | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | 0 |
| 99 | D. Carter | 16.0 | 18.4 | 7.7 | 39% | 26.5% | 33% | 63% | 71% | 15% | 44% | 61% | 41% | 14.0 | 0.32 | 2.6 | 2.4 | 0 |
| 20 | D. Mitchell | 2.5 | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | – | 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 (17 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 2026-11-24; report built 2026-11-24 23:47 UTC.