Roster Evaluation

NC State Wolfpack — 17 opponents

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NC State Wolfpack Roster Evaluation NC State projects to a competitive 10-7 record with a +3.5 average margin, positioning the Wolfpack as a middle-tier ACC contender. This 58.6% win rate reflects a roster capable of competing across the conference, though one that will struggle against the league's elite programs. The team shows pronounced home-court advantage, winning decisively against weaker opponents at home while facing significant challenges on the road against top-tier competition. The roster's core strength lies in balanced scoring and efficient perimeter play. Paul McNeil Jr. anchors the offense as the primary scorer with strong true shooting at 62.1%, while Preston Edmead provides secondary scoring and playmaking at 59.1% efficiency. Kyle Evans offers elite efficiency at 66.9% TS alongside rebounding prowess, and Eemeli Yalaho contributes additional depth. This four-player core generates consistent offensive production without excessive usage concentration, suggesting good ball movement and spacing. However, the roster reveals critical weaknesses against elite competition. The dramatic collapse in win probability against Duke (34.9%) and Miami (35.1%) indicates vulnerability to superior talent or specific defensive schemes. The razor-thin margins in neutral matchups—Clemson at 50.1%, Syracuse at 49.7%—suggest the team lacks the defensive intensity or shot-making consistency to win close games consistently. NC State should prioritize pace-and-space basketball leveraging their efficient perimeter scorers. The most pressing roster question concerns defensive versatility and perimeter defense, particularly whether the team can generate consistent stops against ACC opponents with multiple scoring threats. Addressing this defensive gap would meaningfully improve the projected record.

RECORD	MOST-LIKELY	WIN %	AVG MARGIN
10.0-7.0	11-6	58.6%	+3.5

Based on simulations across 17 opponents. Record reflects expected wins (sum of per-matchup win probabilities); Most-Likely is the count of games we are favored to win (win % ≥ 50).

Season Player Averages

PLAYER	MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
Paul McNeil Jr.	32.1	17.2	4.2	0.8	1.0	0.4	1.2	57.8	62.1	24.2	122.9	114.8
Kyle Evans	28.3	11.2	8.2	1.0	0.6	2.2	1.0	64.8	66.9	17.0	134.2	107.6
Eemeli Yalaho	28.0	10.3	5.5	1.8	0.7	0.2	1.4	56.6	59.8	18.4	120.1	114.3
Preston Edmead	27.9	12.8	3.6	3.5	0.7	0.0	1.8	53.7	59.1	23.5	119.2	115.7
Christian Hammond	27.8	12.9	2.9	2.3	1.7	0.0	1.6	55.6	58.6	23.4	115.6	112.1
RJ Keene II	21.8	3.2	3.8	1.8	0.8	0.2	0.6	54.5	54.7	8.2	130.0	113.4
Darius Adams	21.7	9.0	2.8	1.6	0.6	0.1	1.2	51.8	55.7	22.1	111.1	115.7
Zymicah Wilkins	12.5	3.7	2.0	2.1	0.4	0.2	1.0	49.8	45.5	20.8	101.7	114.0
Kingston Whitty	11.6	3.0	1.0	2.1	0.5	0.0	0.9	48.9	44.6	19.2	97.5	115.5

Player Correlations & Assist Dependency

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Preston Edmead frequently sets up Paul McNeil Jr. for scoring, with 15% of McNeil Jr.'s made field goals assisted by Edmead. Christian Hammond is the most self-sufficient scorer, with only a 4% average incoming assist dependency. The rotation's offensive efficiency is unusually independent, as indicated by the low correlation signal. Additionally, Paul McNeil Jr. and Preston Edmead have complementary shot diets, with a usage correlation of -0.15.

Off. Efficiency Correlations

	PAUL MCNEIL JR.	KYLE EVANS	EEMELI YALAHO	PRESTON EDMEAD	CHRISTIA..	RJ KEENE II	DARIUS ADAMS	ZYMICAH WIL
Paul McNeil Jr.	—	0.06	0.07	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.06
Kyle Evans	0.06	—	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.04
Eemeli Yalaho	0.07	0.06	—	0.09	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.05
Preston Edmead	0.09	0.07	0.09	—	0.08	0.06	0.07	0.06
Christia..	0.07	0.06	0.07	0.08	—	0.05	0.06	0.05
RJ Keene II	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.05	—	0.05	0.05
Darius Adams	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.06	0.05	—	0.06
Zymicah Wilkins	0.06	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.05	0.06	—
Kingston Whitty	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	0.01	0.01

Usage Correlations

	PAUL MCNEIL JR.	KYLE EVANS	EEMELI YALAHO	PRESTON EDMEAD	CHRISTIA..	RJ KEENE II	DARIUS ADAMS	ZYMICAH WIL
Paul McNeil Jr.	—	-0.12	-0.12	-0.15	-0.14	-0.06	-0.11	-0.09
Kyle Evans	-0.12	—	-0.13	-0.10	-0.13	-0.06	-0.08	-0.04
Eemeli Yalaho	-0.12	-0.13	—	-0.09	-0.13	-0.06	-0.08	-0.05
Preston Edmead	-0.15	-0.10	-0.09	—	-0.12	-0.06	-0.10	-0.08
Christia..	-0.14	-0.13	-0.13	-0.12	—	-0.06	-0.09	-0.03
RJ Keene II	-0.06	-0.06	-0.06	-0.06	-0.06	—	-0.08	-0.06
Darius Adams	-0.11	-0.08	-0.08	-0.10	-0.09	-0.08	—	-0.11
Zymicah Wilkins	-0.09	-0.04	-0.05	-0.08	-0.03	-0.06	-0.11	—
Kingston Whitty	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	-0.01	0.00	0.00	-0.01	0.00

Assist Dependency

PASSER	PAUL MCNEIL JR.	KYLE EVANS	EEMELI YALAHO	PRESTON EDMEAD	CHRISTIA..	RJ KEENE II	DARIUS ADAMS	ZYMICAH WIL
Paul McNeil Jr.	0.00	0.07	0.06	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.03	0.05
Kyle Evans	0.08	0.00	0.08	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.03	0.03

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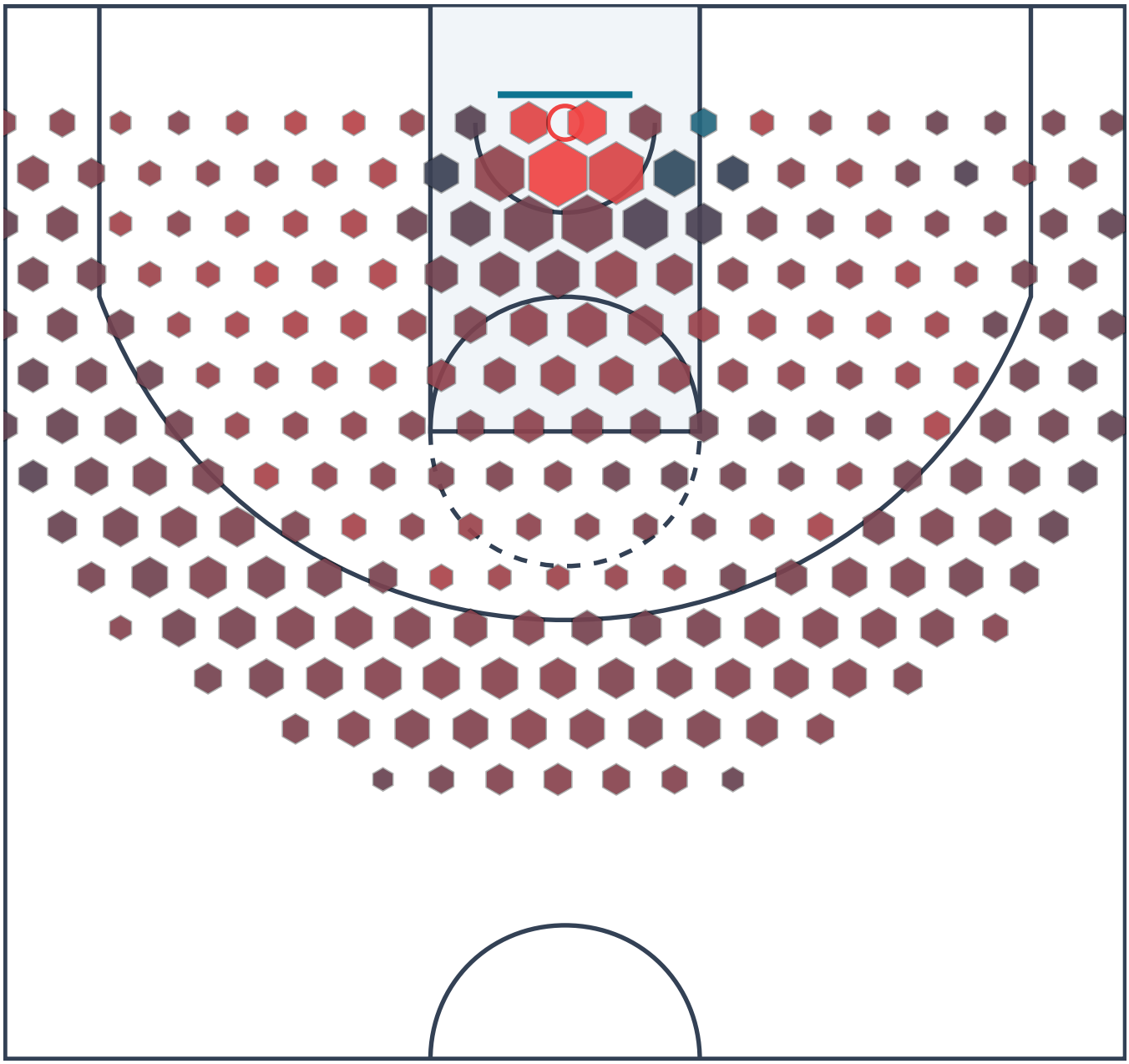
Team Shot Profile

FG% vs NCAA average · hex size = shot volume

−12% (cold) NCAA avg +12% (hot)

NC State Wolfpack — aggregate across all opponents



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vs California Golden Bears

HOME MATCHUP

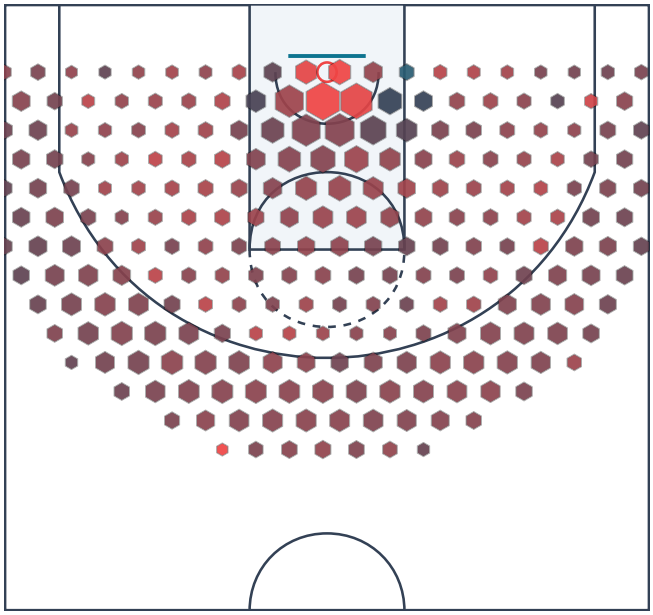
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
83.1%	82.8	68.3	+14.6

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's +14.6 projected margin at home against California stems from a decisive free-throw conversion gap (74.6% vs. 40.6%) and superior three-point shot diet. Both teams pace-match at 68.5–68.6 possessions, but NC State's 47.4% three-point attempt share versus California's 44.6% creates volume advantage in high-efficiency zones; NC State's wing threes shoot 38.1–38.4% (1.14–1.15 PPP) while California's lag at 35.7–36.0% (1.07–1.08 PPP). California's turnover rate (18.8% vs. NC State's 15.2%) and lower assist rate (0.57 vs. 0.52 AST/FGM) indicate ball-movement deficiency that compounds into fewer high-quality looks. Paint scoring remains tight (NC State 58.8%, California 57.6%), but California's mid-range weakness (39.5–39.8% FG, 0.79–0.80 PPP) versus NC State's balanced attack (42.3% FG, 0.85 PPP) signals offensive stagnation. Kyle Evans' +10.0 on/off delta and 136 ORtg (67.8% TS) anchors NC State's interior dominance, while California's most-used lineup (Bakare, Wilkins, Ross, Ruff, Indrusaitis) posts -14.5 net; Bakare's 43.9% TS and 91 ORtg as a primary playmaker (3.2 AST) creates a turnover-prone offensive engine that NC State's +26.1 net starting five exploits.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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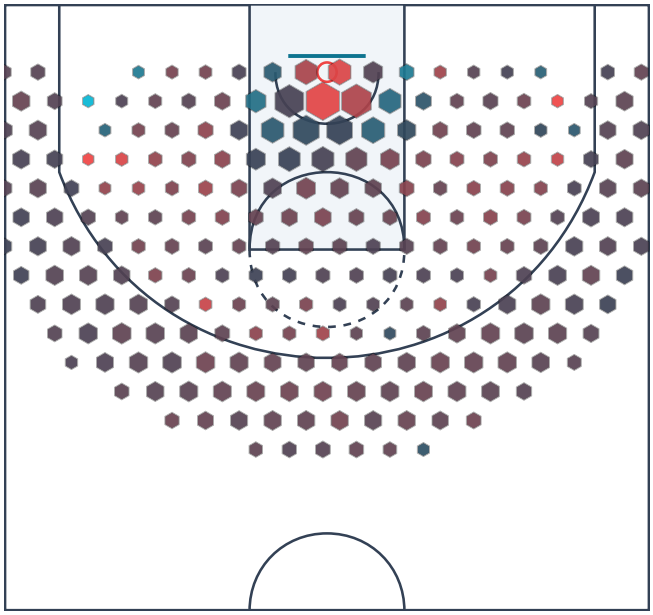


vs Georgia Tech Yellow Jackets

AWAY MATCHUP

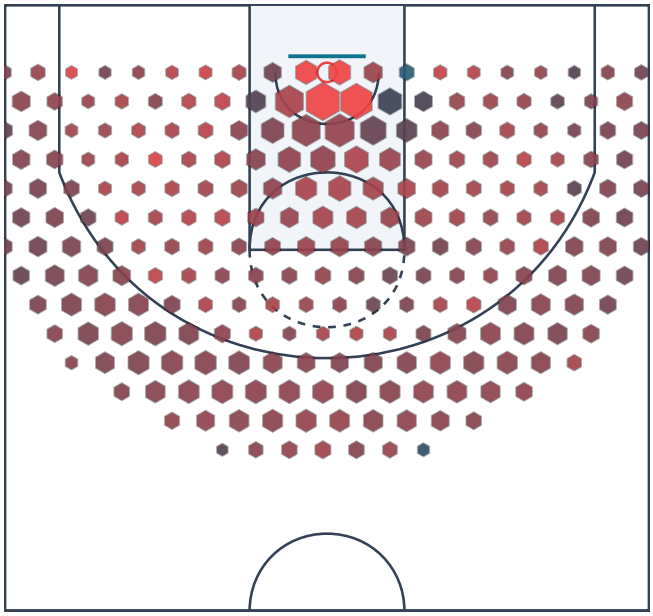
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
80.7%	84.6	72.5	+12.1

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's three-point volume and efficiency edge drives the projected +12.1 margin over Georgia Tech. The Wolfpack launch 47.2% of their shots from three (vs. Tech's 38.1%) while converting at 38.5% (Tech 35.3%), creating a structural eFG advantage of 5.5 points (57.3% to 51.8%). NC State's paint dominance compounds this: 59.5% FG% in the paint (1.19 PPP) versus Tech's 54.2% (1.08 PPP), with Kyle Evans' elite interior efficiency (ORtg 138, 66.2% eFG on 7.8 FGA) anchoring a +21.2 net rating for the primary lineup. Georgia Tech's most-used five (Garland, Bailey, Craft, Whitlock, Valdes) generates a -18.5 net, while their best alternative with Jackson Fields still underperforms at -9.1. The turnover and foul-rate splits slightly favor NC State (14.1% TOV vs. 17.7%, 23.7% fouls vs. 24.6%), but the three-point diet and interior conversion gap is the primary lever—NC State's balanced shot selection and higher-efficiency perimeter game overwhelms Tech's mid-range reliance.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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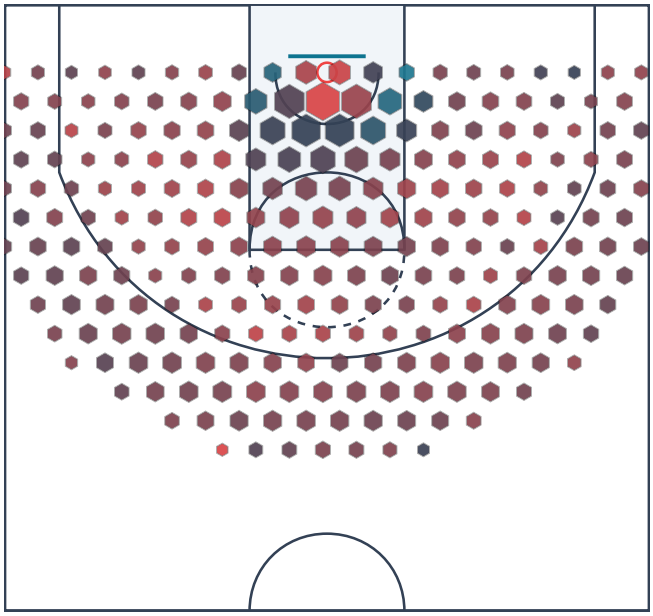


vs Stanford Cardinal

AWAY MATCHUP

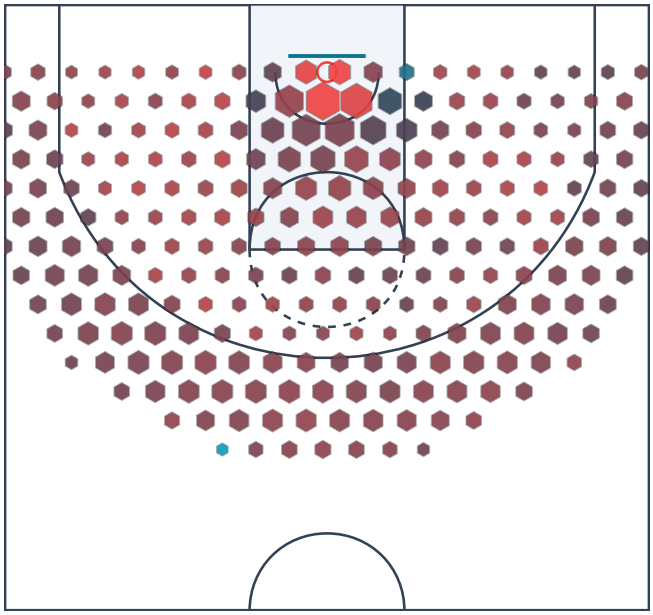
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
79.6%	76.7	65.5	+11.2

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's free-throw discipline and three-point volume edge drive the +11.2 projected margin over Stanford. While both teams operate at identical pace (64.8–64.9 poss), NC State's 74.5% FT conversion versus Stanford's 39.2% creates a structural advantage; combined with NC State's 47.3% three-point attempt share (Stanford 40.8%), the Wolfpack generate superior perimeter spacing and shot quality. Stanford's turnover rate (19.8% vs. NC State's 16.3%) and foul rate (23.5% vs. 26.7%) suggest they'll cede additional free-throw attempts. The paint remains competitive—Stanford shoots 56.7% FG in the paint (NC State 58.4%)—but NC State's wing-three efficiency (38.2–38.3% FG, 1.14–1.15 PPP) outpaces Stanford's (37.0–37.3% FG, 1.11–1.12 PPP). Kyle Evans' +10.9 on/off delta and his 133 ORtg anchors NC State's rim-running game (67.1% TS, 64.9% eFG), while Stanford's backcourt—Julius Price (43.7% TS, 80 ORtg) and Myles Jones (44.1% TS, 87 ORtg)—drags their most-used lineup to -16.7 net. NC State's core five (Hammond, Yalaho, Evans, McNeil Jr., Edmead) posts +22.3 net on 10.2 minutes, establishing the offensive-efficiency floor that Stanford cannot match.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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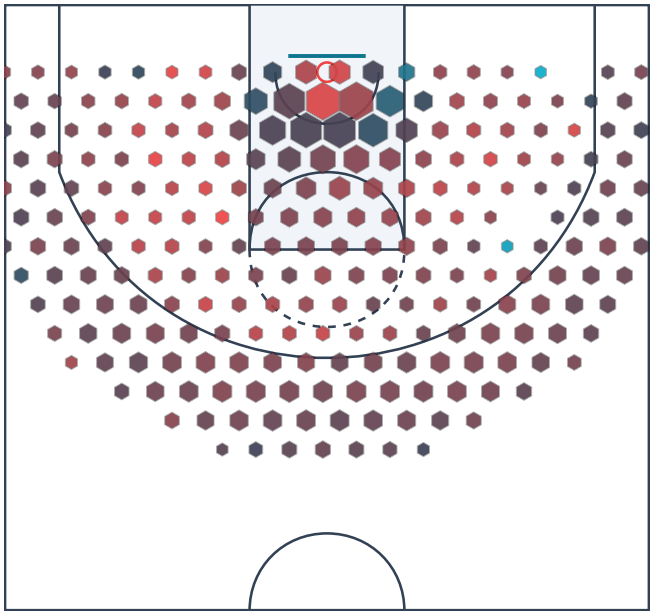


vs Florida State Seminoles

AWAY MATCHUP

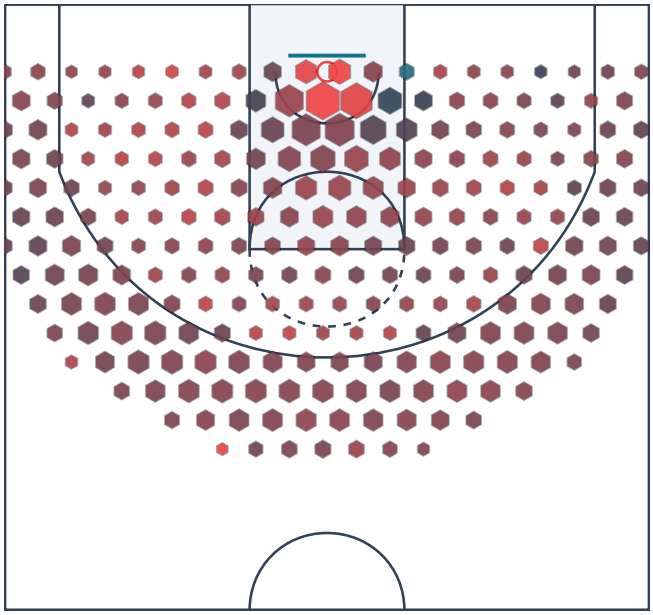
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
72.8%	81.2	72.8	+8.4

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's free-throw conversion and paint dominance create the +8.4 margin against Florida State despite similar pace (68.2 vs 68.0 poss). The Wolfpack shoot 74.5% from the line versus FSU's 58.0%—a 16.5-point gap that translates directly to possession-level efficiency; combined with NC State's 58.6% paint FG (1.17 PPP) versus FSU's 54.5% (1.09 PPP), the interior advantage is decisive. Kyle Evans' on/off swing (+9.6 delta) anchors NC State's defensive identity, holding FSU to a -9.0 net on their most-used lineup while NC State's primary unit generates +16.7. Florida State's 45.2% 3PA share and 52.0% eFG cannot overcome the free-throw disparity and paint efficiency gap; Kameron Taylor's 28.7% USG (18.5 PPG) concentrates offensive load on a 57.9% TS player, leaving FSU's role players (Schwieger, Swinton) unable to generate sufficient secondary scoring to close the gap.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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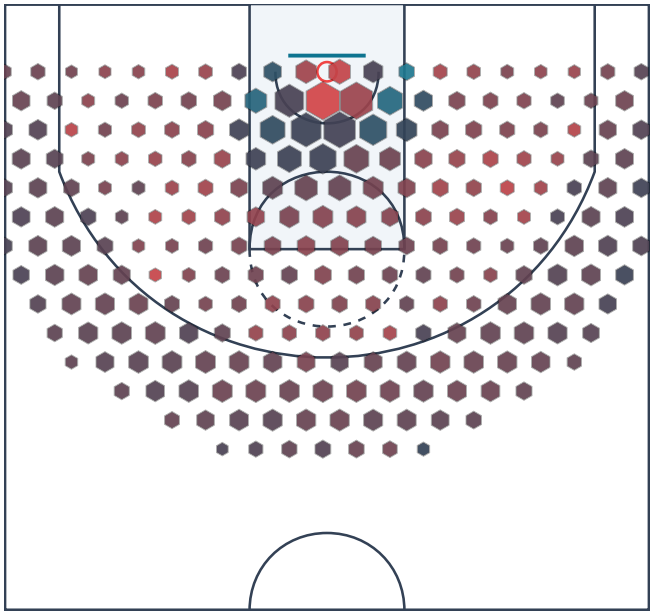


vs Wake Forest Demon Deacons

HOME MATCHUP

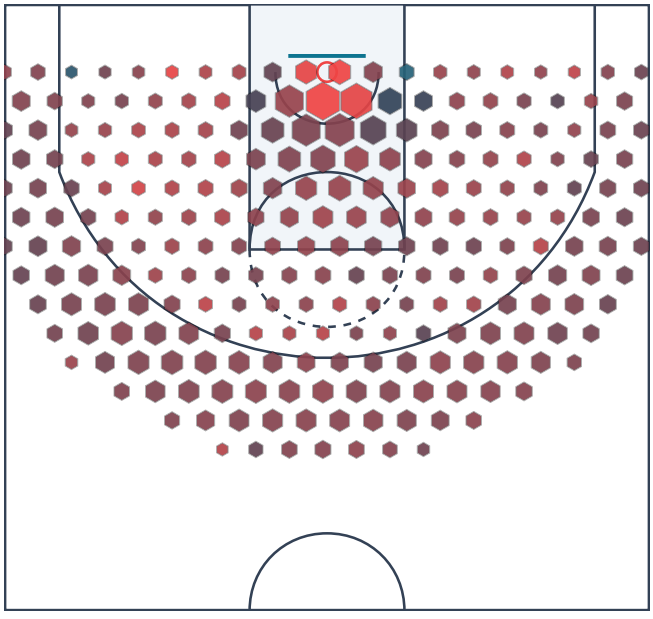
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
69.6%	82.8	74.9	+7.9

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's perimeter volume and efficiency advantage, combined with Wake Forest's turnover burden, projects a decisive +7.9 margin at home. The Wolfpack's 47.4% three-point shot diet (vs. Wake's 35.3%) yields consistent efficiency across all zones—38.0-39.5% from the wings and corners on 1.14-1.18 PPP—while Wake Forest's wing three-point shooting (36.2-36.8% on 1.09-1.10 PPP) lags significantly. Wake Forest's 16.4% turnover rate (vs. NC State's 12.8%) and poor free-throw shooting (55.7% vs. 74.6%) compound the offensive burden, forcing Kevair Kennedy into unsustainable volume (31.2% USG, 105 ORtg despite 64.2% TS). NC State's most-used lineup (Hammond-Yalaho-Evans-McNeil-Edmead) generates a +15.4 net on 10.3 minutes, with Kyle Evans' +8.5 on/off delta anchoring interior defense (103 DRtg) and spacing; Wake's best lineup (+4.3 net) cannot match that offensive firepower or defensive stability. The structural advantage is NC State's three-point diet and Wake's inability to generate efficient perimeter looks, exacerbated by turnover differential and free-throw disparity.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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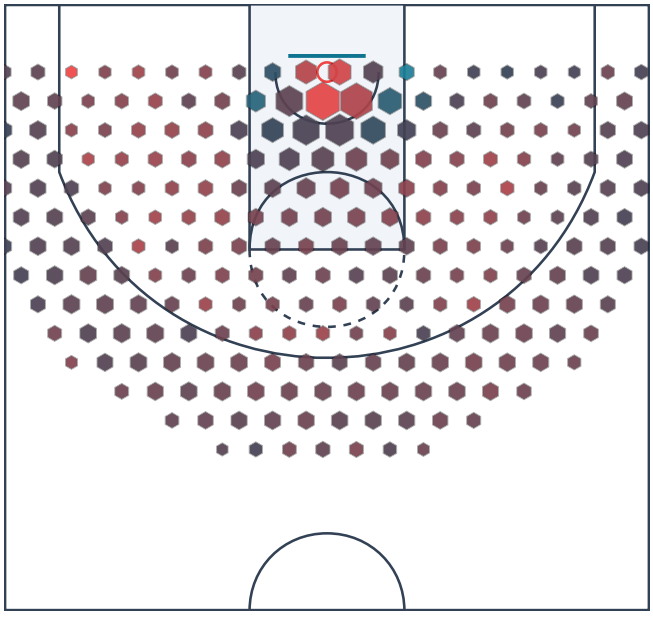


vs Virginia Tech Hokies

HOME MATCHUP

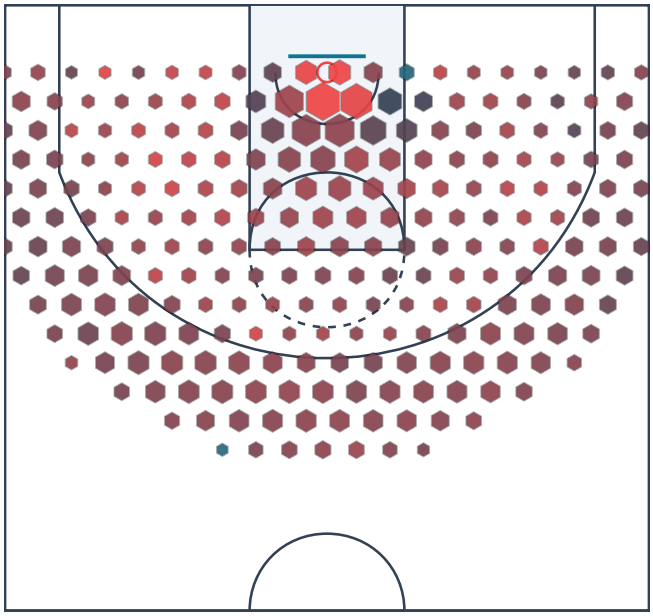
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
64.7%	81.2	75.3	+5.9

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's shot-diet edge in the paint drives the +5.9 margin over Virginia Tech. The Wolfpack convert 58.9% from the paint (1.18 PPP) versus Tech's 54.6% (1.09 PPP), a structural advantage that compounds across the possession battle—NC State's 29.8% OREB% and Kyle Evans' elite on/off delta (+8.8) amplify second-chance opportunities. While Virginia Tech matches pace (67.0 vs 67.1 poss) and fouls (23.7 vs 23.0 per poss), NC State's three-point volume edge (47.4% vs 35.1% 3PA share) and superior wing-three efficiency (38.2–38.4% FG on 2.1M volume vs Tech's 36.8–37.1%) create spacing that opens driving lanes for the paint attack. The most-used lineup (Hammond–Yalaho–Evans–McNeil–Edmead, +13.1 net) sustains this advantage, while Virginia Tech's primary unit (Hansberry–Hammond–Elohim–Curry–Johnson) bleeds -10.8 net, indicating the Hokies lack the perimeter shooting to keep pace with NC State's offensive versatility.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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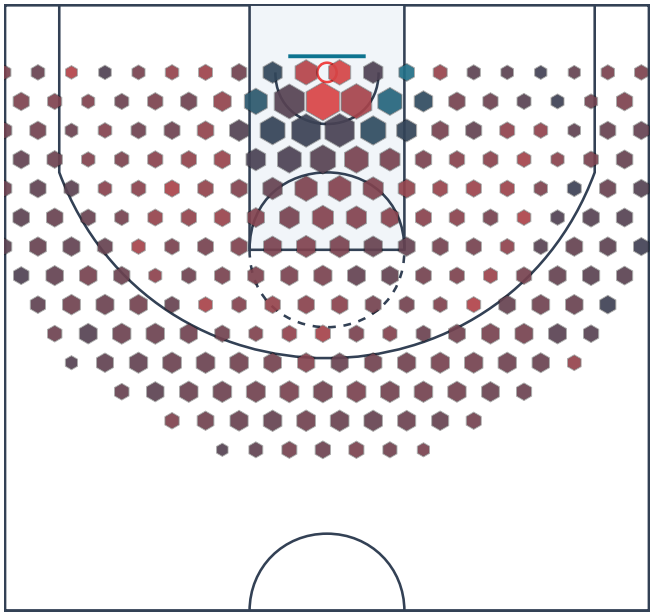


vs Notre Dame Fighting Irish

AWAY MATCHUP

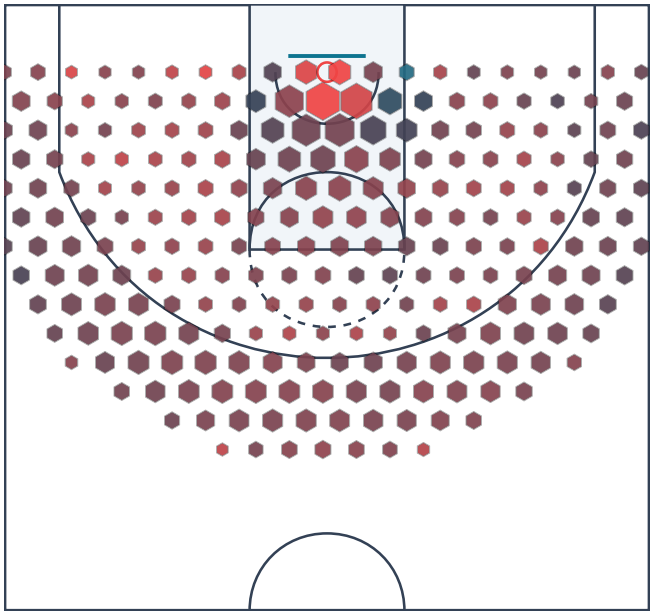
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
61.9%	82.0	78.1	+3.9

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

Kyle Evans' on/off delta (+9.8 net swing) is the critical variance lever in this tight +3.9 projected margin against Notre Dame. While NC State holds modest eFG (55.8% vs. 54.4%) and turnover advantages (13.1% vs. 16.7%), the matchup hinges on interior rim-running: both teams shoot 57%+ in the paint, but Evans' presence (ORtg 136, 64.5% eFG) versus his absence (-1.3 net) creates a 10-point swing that determines possession-level outcomes. Notre Dame's Logan Duncomb (ORtg 131, 65.0% eFG) provides a countervailing interior threat, and Notre Dame's 33.4% OREB% (vs. NC State's 28.3%) creates second-chance opportunities that tighten the game. The primary lineups favor NC State (+11.2 net vs. Notre Dame's -8.0), but Notre Dame's best five (Koehler, Shrewsberry, Roberts, Duncomb, Imes) narrows to -1.3, suggesting lineup flexibility could compress the margin. NC State's free-throw rate advantage (29.6% vs. 33.1%) and lower foul rate (25.4% vs. 24.1%) provide marginal cushion, but Evans' availability and efficiency in pick-and-roll situations is the highest-variance lever in a game projected within one possession.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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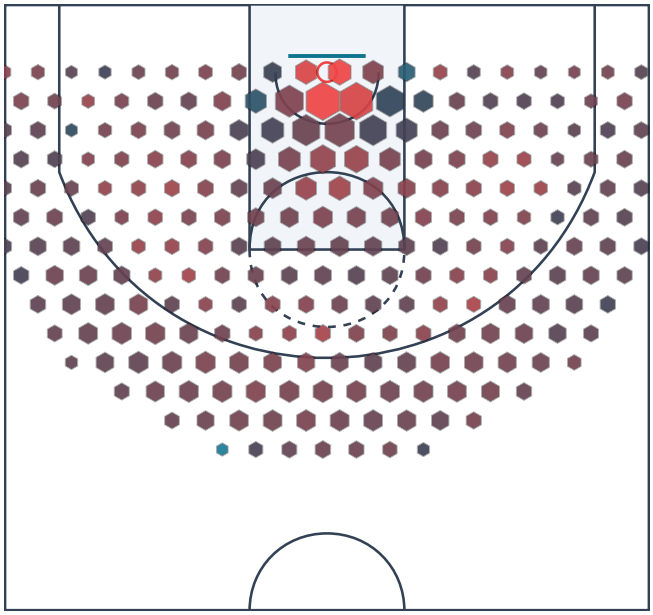


vs North Carolina Tar Heels

AWAY MATCHUP

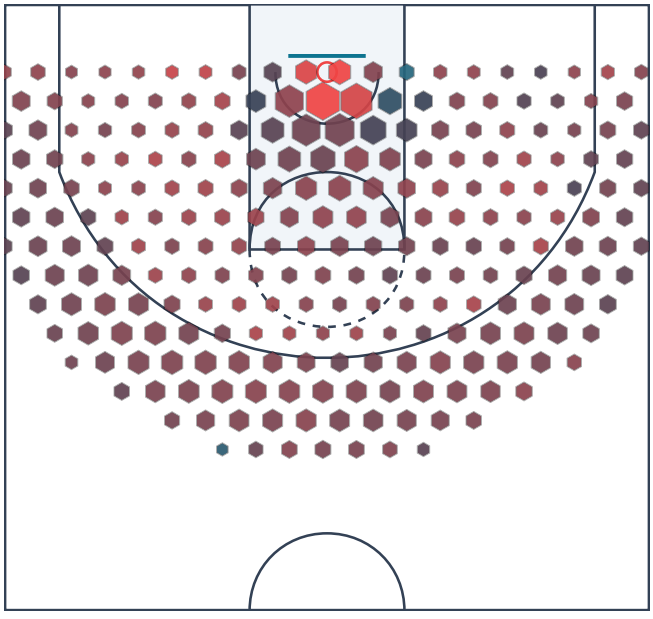
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
59.9%	80.3	77.2	+3.0

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's three-point volume and efficiency edge drives the narrow +3.0 projected margin against UNC. The Wolfpack launch 47.3% of their shots from three (vs. UNC's 30.4%) and convert at 37.6% (vs. UNC's 36.2%), generating consistent perimeter scoring across all zones—particularly from the wings (37.7% on 1.17 PPP) and corners (38.5-39.0% on 1.15-1.17 PPP). However, UNC's paint dominance (58.6% FG, 1.17 PPP on 3.3M volume) and superior free-throw rate (30.2% vs. 25.9%) keep the game competitive. The critical rotation lever is Kyle Evans' on/off delta (+9.2 net), whose elite interior defense (108 DRtg) and efficient finishing (66.4% TS) stabilize NC State's perimeter-heavy offense; conversely, UNC's Neoklis Avdalas (-8.1 delta) is a net negative, forcing the Tar Heels to lean on Terrence Brown's volume (27.6% USG) and Caleb Wilson's rebounding (9.6 RPG). NC State's ball security (13.6% TOV/poss vs. 15.8%) and superior free-throw shooting (74.4% vs. 66.4%) provide marginal but meaningful edges in a close, possession-dependent matchup.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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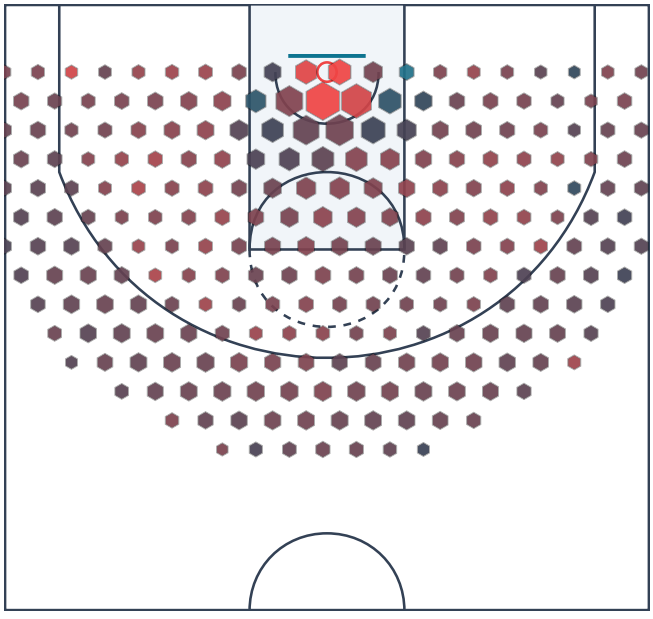

vs SMU Mustangs

HOME MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
54.4%	79.2	77.2	+2.1

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State's perimeter volume and efficiency edge drives a narrow +2.1 margin win over SMU. The Wolfpack's 47.3% 3PA share and 37.8% three-point conversion (1.14 PPP on wings) versus SMU's 29.3% 3PA diet and 35.9–36.4% wing-three rates creates a shot-diet mismatch that favors NC State's spacing. However, SMU's 39.5% OREB% and 33.0% FT rate present structural counters—the Mustangs attack the paint at higher volume (3.35M paint possessions vs. 2.53M) and draw fouls more frequently, offsetting NC State's eFG advantage (56.0% vs. 53.9%). Kyle Evans' on/off delta of +8.4 is the highest-variance lever; his 64.6% eFG and elite rim-running (133 ORtg) anchors the best lineup net of +8.3, while his absence creates a -2.9 net swing. Rowan Brumbaugh's +5.0 delta stabilizes SMU's offense when on court (127 ORtg), but the most-used SMU lineup posts a -2.5 net, suggesting depth limitations. The game hinges on whether NC State can sustain its three-point volume and whether SMU's rebounding and free-throw aggression can manufacture enough second-chance and bonus opportunities to close the 2.1-point gap.

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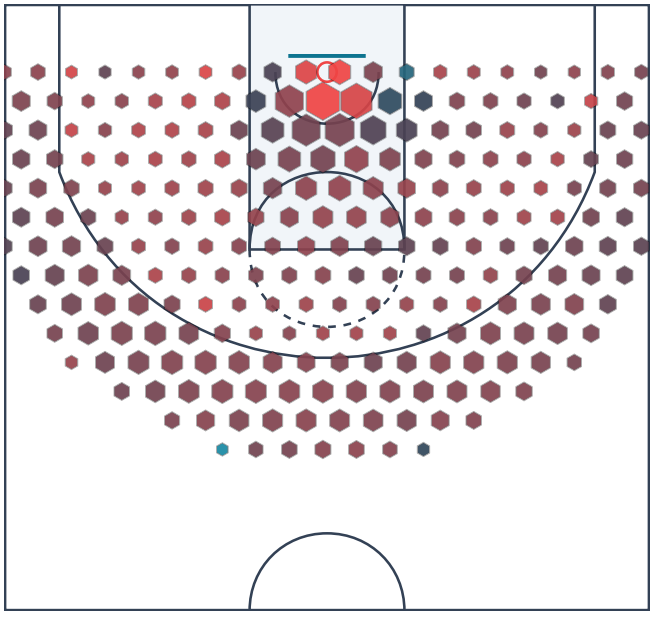
NC State Wolfpack



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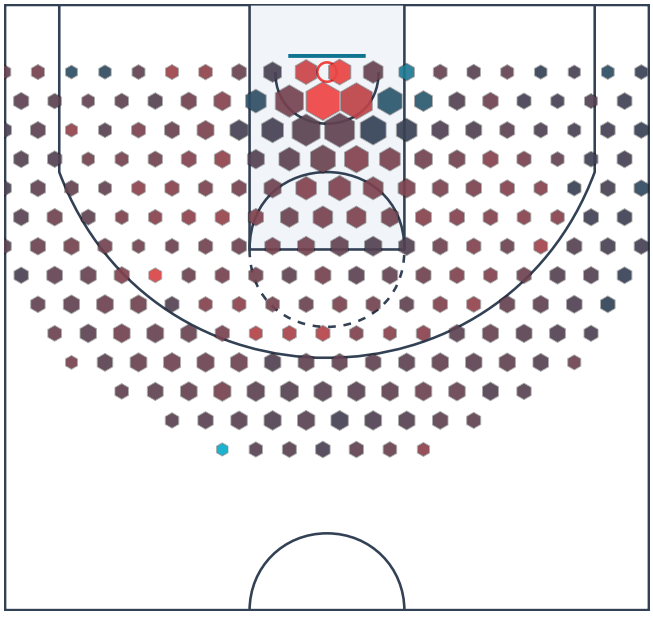

vs Louisville Cardinals

AWAY MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
52.7%	81.3	80.8	+0.5

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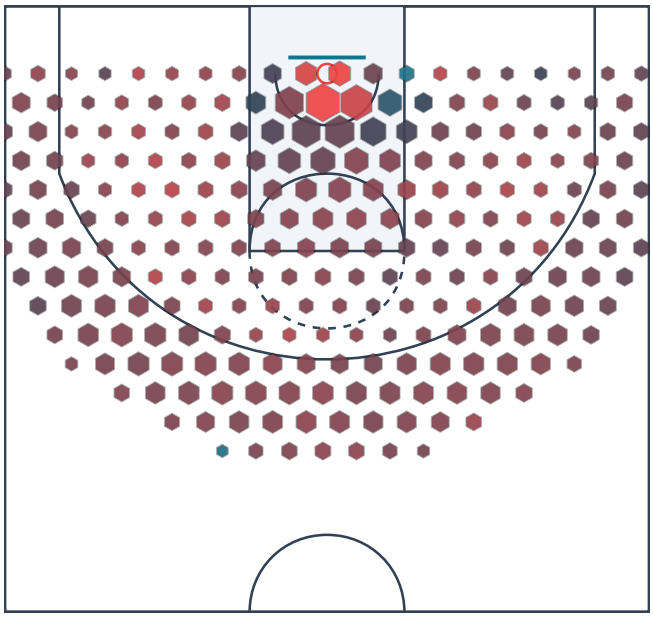
NC State Wolfpack



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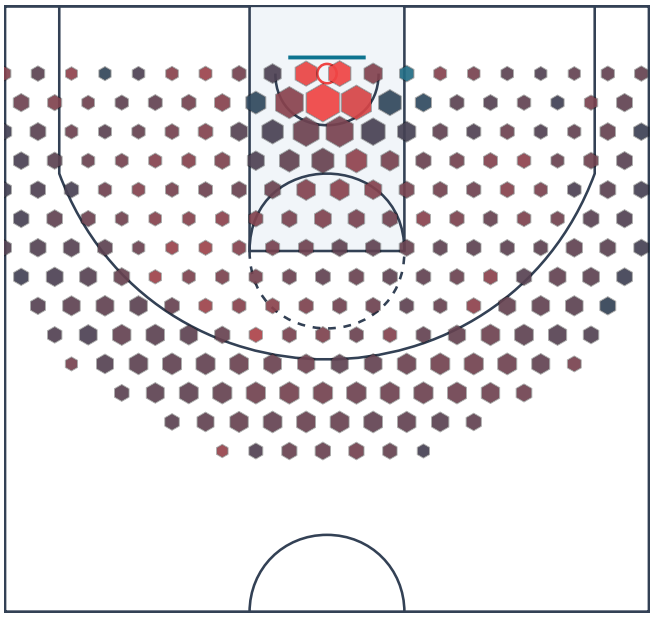

vs Clemson Tigers

HOME MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
50.1%	78.1	77.6	+0.5

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

This is a dead-even matchup driven by Clemson's interior dominance offsetting NC State's three-point volume edge. Clemson's paint efficiency (61.9% FG, 1.24 PPP) significantly outpaces NC State (57.5% FG, 1.15 PPP), and Dylan Faulkner's elite on/off delta (+9.1) anchors a core lineup that generates +4.9 net rating in 8.1 minutes—outpacing NC State's most-used five-man unit (+1.7 net). However, NC State's 47.2% three-point attempt share versus Clemson's 38.7% creates variance; Paul McNeil Jr. (24.2% USG, 57.1% eFG) and the wing three-point volume (2.06M combined attempts at 37.8% FG) keep the Wolfpack competitive despite Clemson's foul discipline advantage (20.8% vs 24.8% fouls/poss). Kyle Evans' +6.2 on/off delta provides NC State's highest-leverage swing, as his 66.1% TS and rim-running prowess (133 ORtg) directly counter Clemson's paint-centric approach. The 0.5-point margin reflects a structural stalemate: Clemson's two-man game with Faulkner and Certa versus NC State's perimeter-oriented spacing, with free-throw execution (NC State 74.5% vs Clemson 65.5%) as the highest-variance lever in a game projected to stay within single digits.

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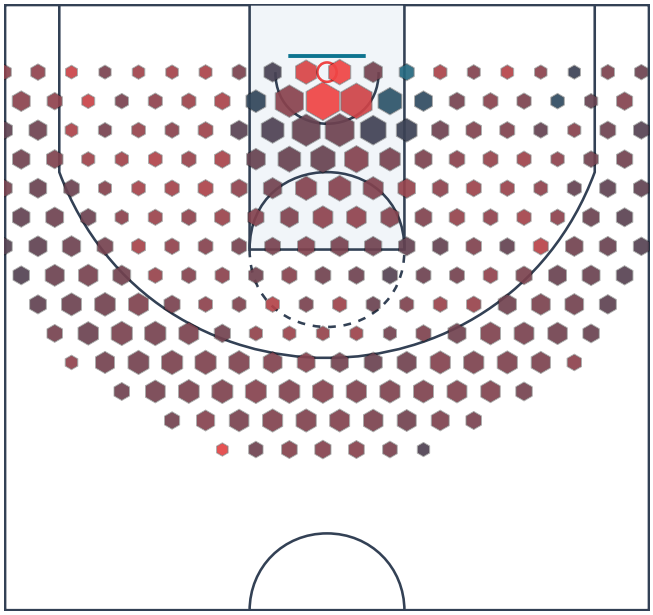
NC State Wolfpack



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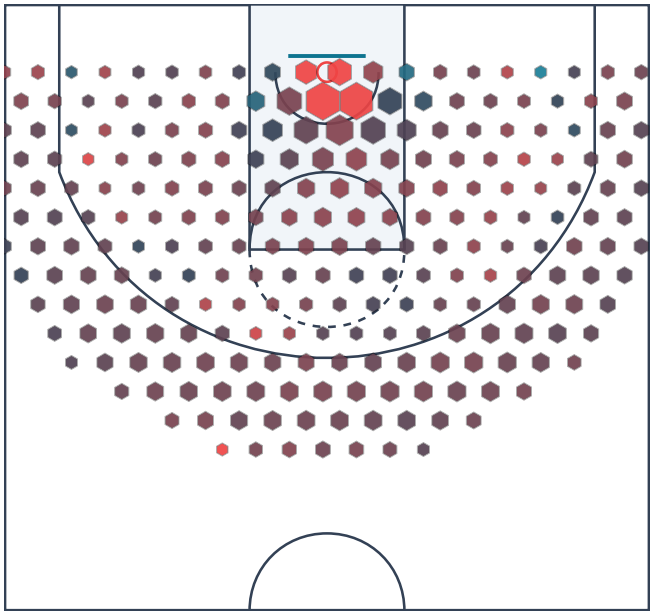

vs Syracuse Orange

HOME MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
49.7%	82.2	81.8	+0.4

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

This is a dead-even toss-up driven by a fundamental shot-diet mismatch: NC State's 47.4% three-point attempt share versus Syracuse's 21.1% creates a variance lever that nearly cancels out Syracuse's efficiency edge (58.6% eFG vs. 55.3%). Syracuse dominates the paint (61.2% FG, 1.22 PPP) and holds a free-throw rate advantage (32.8% vs. 27.2%), but NC State's three-point volume—particularly from the wings (1.17M attempts at 37.5% FG)—generates enough perimeter scoring to stay competitive. The critical rotation angle is Kyle Evans' on/off delta (+9.7 net): his 73.0% TS and 75.0% paint FG% as a rim-runner directly counter Syracuse's paint dominance, and his presence swings the game by nearly 10 points. NC State's best lineup (Hammond-Yalaho-Evans-McNeil-Edmead, +5.5 net) matches Syracuse's best unit (+5.2 net), but Syracuse's most-used lineup runs -3.0 net, suggesting depth vulnerability. The margin projects to +0.4 because Syracuse's eFG and FT-rate edges are offset by NC State's superior three-point volume and the Evans rim-running advantage.

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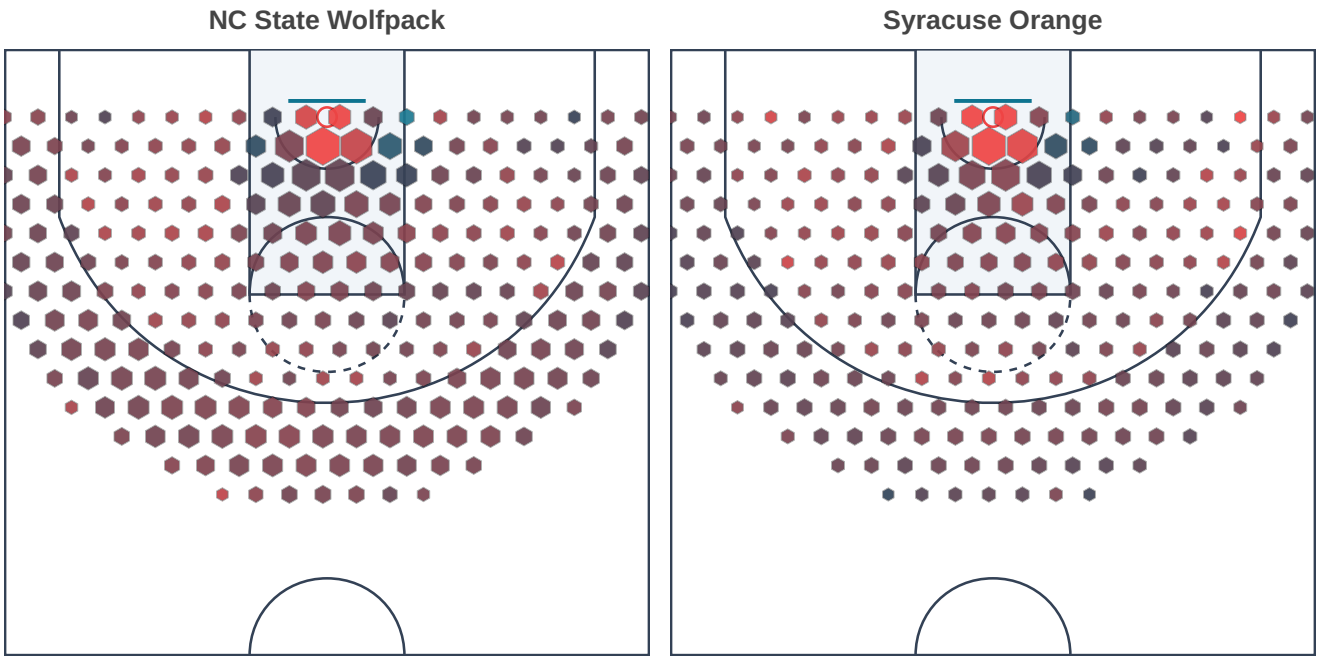


vs Virginia Cavaliers

HOME MATCHUP

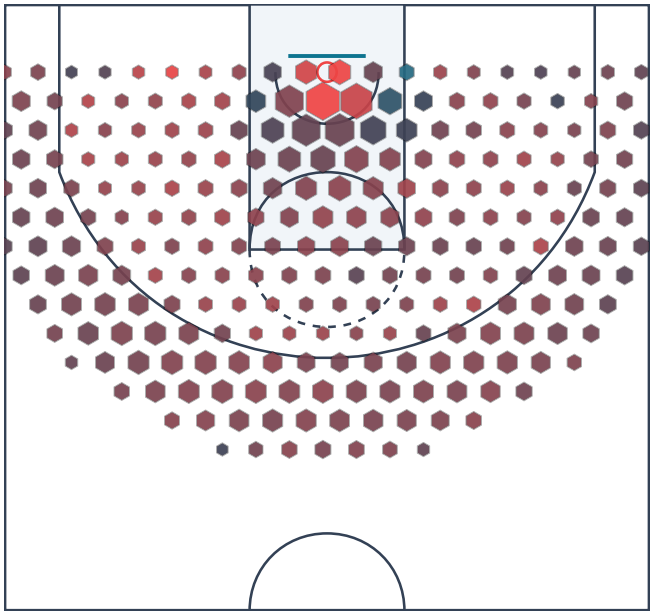
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
49.2%	77.7	77.4	+0.2

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

This is a dead-even matchup (49.2% win, +0.2 margin) where NC State's interior dominance is neutralized by Virginia's rebounding and free-throw rate. Both teams post nearly identical eFG (55.6% vs. 55.5%) and three-point volume (47.4% vs. 43.6%), but Virginia's 33.6% OREB% and 29.0% FT rate create a possession-extension advantage that offsets NC State's paint efficiency (57.3% FG, 1.15 PPP). Kyle Evans remains the highest-variance lever with a +9.6 on/off delta—his 64.1% eFG and 131 ORtg anchor NC State's best lineups, but his absence creates a -6.6 net swing that Virginia can exploit. Virginia's most-used lineup underperforms at -3.2 net (120.4 ORtg, 123.6 DRtg), while their best-net lineup (+10.0) with Johann Grunloh (delta +5.9) suggests a small-ball or spacing adjustment that NC State must counter. The structural parity—identical pace (66.3 vs. 66.2), similar assist rates (0.51 vs. 0.50), and near-identical turnover profiles—means this game is decided by execution variance and bench depth; NC State's +5.3 most-used lineup net slightly edges Virginia's -3.2, but the 0.2-point margin reflects how thin that edge truly is.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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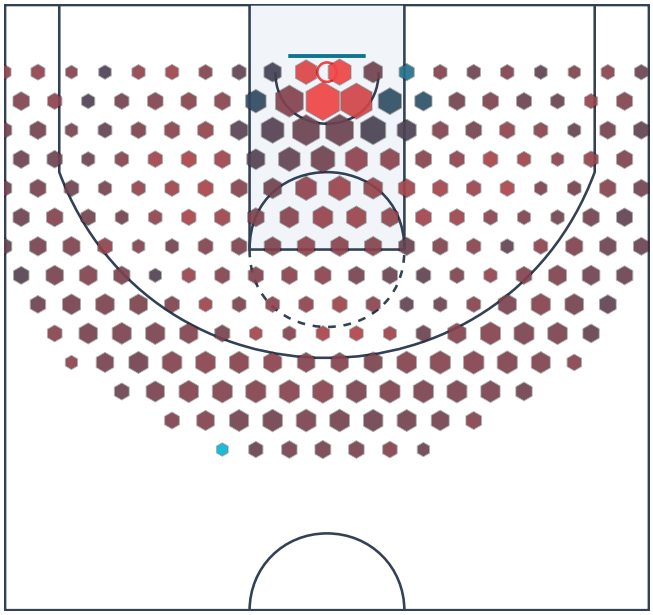

vs Pittsburgh Panthers

AWAY MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
49.0%	74.5	75.3	-0.8

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

NC State faces a structural rebounding crisis in Pittsburgh: the Panthers' 40.4% OREB% versus NC State's 27.5% creates a possession-efficiency gap that nearly erases NC State's three-point volume edge (47.3% 3PA share vs. 29.4%). Pittsburgh's paint dominance (60.3% FG, 1.21 PPP) is anchored by Armani Mighty's elite +6.3 on/off delta (71.3% eFG, 11.5 RPG), making them nearly impossible to defend on the glass. NC State's free-throw rate advantage (22.7% vs. 27.7% for Pitt) is negated by Pittsburgh's superior two-point shooting (57.1% vs. 54.9%), and the turnover differential (19.5% vs. 16.5% TOV/poss) favors Pittsburgh's ball security. Kyle Evans remains NC State's highest-leverage player (+7.7 on/off delta), but his 65.9% TS cannot overcome the rebounding deficit when Pittsburgh's most-used lineup generates +2.3 net despite Mighty's absence. The -0.8 margin projects to a near-coin-flip because NC State's perimeter volume is neutralized by Pittsburgh's rebounding and paint efficiency; this game hinges on whether NC State can limit second-chance opportunities and whether Evans' rim-running can generate enough efficient looks to offset Mighty's dominance.

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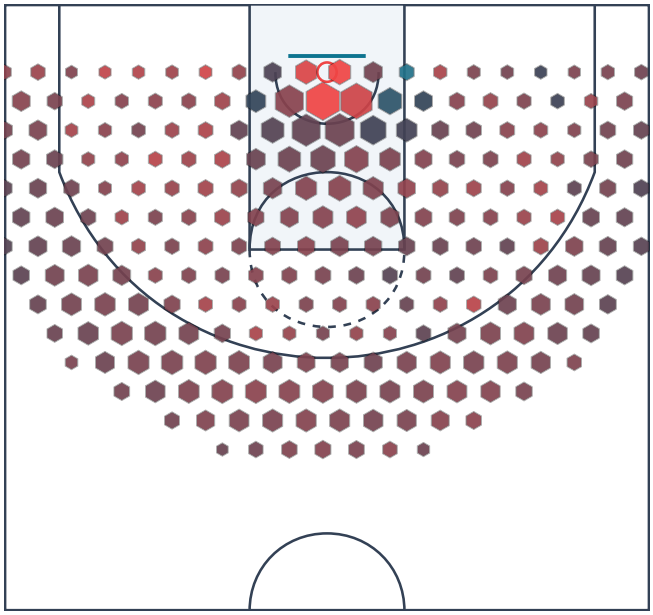
NC State Wolfpack



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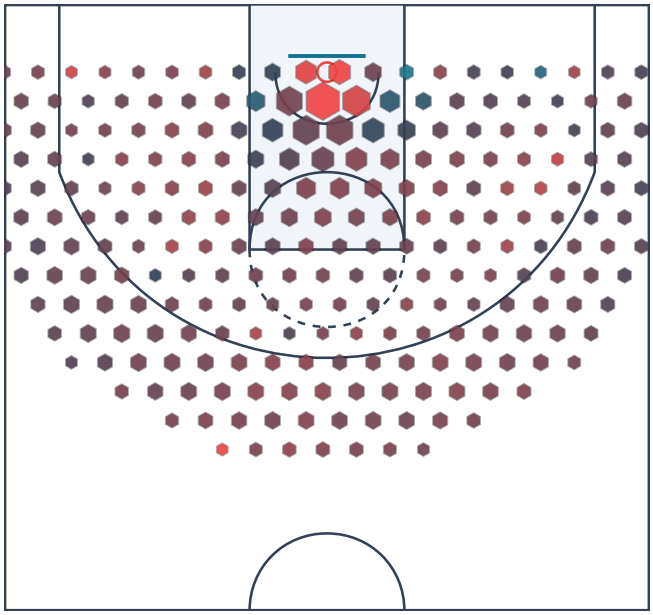


vs Boston College Eagles

HOME MATCHUP

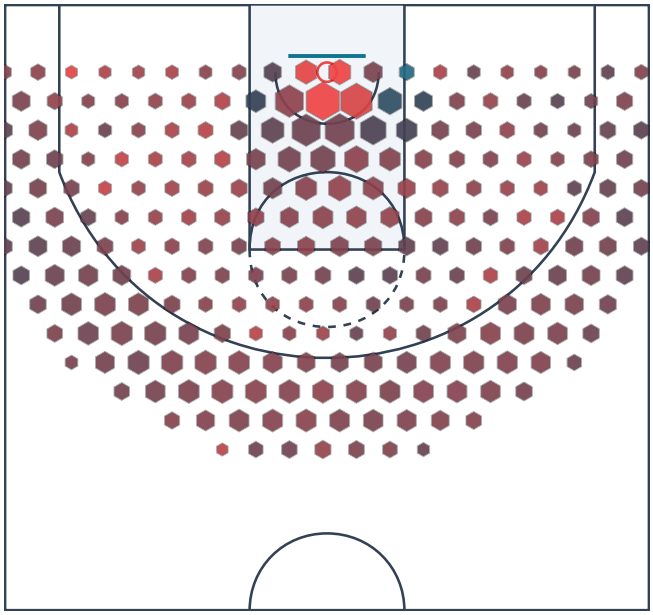
WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
48.7%	80.7	80.7	+0.0

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

This is a dead-even matchup (48.7% win probability, +0.0 margin) where NC State's superior three-point volume and efficiency edge is neutralized by Boston College's rebounding dominance and free-throw rate advantage. NC State launches 47.4% of shots from three and converts at 37.9% (1.14 PPP on wings), but Boston College's 35.5% offensive rebounding rate—significantly higher than NC State's 28.3%—creates second-chance opportunities that offset perimeter efficiency. The foul-rate divide (NC State 24.8% vs. BC 22.3%) hands Boston College more free throws (32.4% FTrate vs. 27.2%), and their 78.7% FT shooting (vs. NC State's 74.5%) compounds the gap. NC State's core rotation (Hammond, Yalaho, Evans, McNeil Jr., Edmead) generates a +6.0 net with 125.7 ORtg, but Kyle Evans' +8.8 on/off delta is the only meaningful swing lever; Boston College's best lineup (Tounkara, Zeigler, Shelton, Frankel, Hunger) at +7.2 net suggests depth can match NC State's starting five. Paint volume and efficiency are nearly identical (NC State 57.9% on 1.16 PPP vs. BC 55.9% on 1.12 PPP), making this a variance-heavy game decided by three-point shooting variance and rebounding luck.

Shot Profile Matchup

NC State Wolfpack



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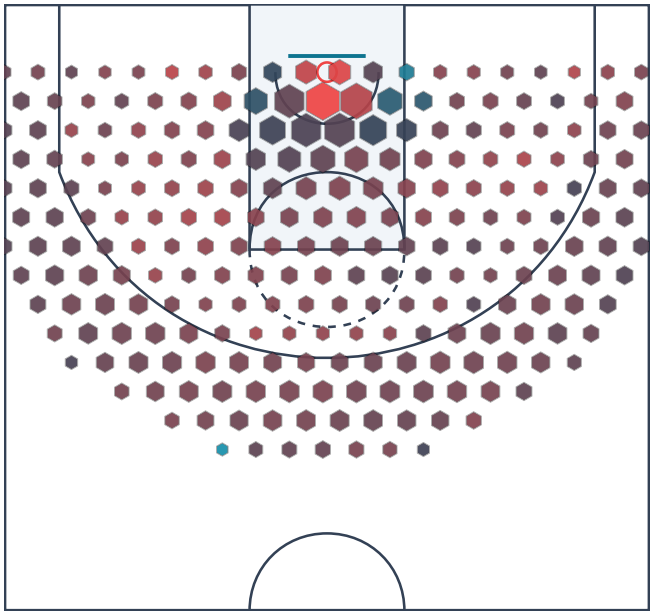

vs Miami Hurricanes

HOME MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
35.1%	78.9	83.9	-5.0

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

Miami's rebounding edge (37.2% OREB% vs NC State's 28.2%) and paint dominance (61.9% FG, 1.24 PPP) create a 5-point structural advantage that overwhelms NC State's three-point volume strategy. DeSean Goode (136 ORtg, 63.5% eFG) and Shelton Henderson (123 ORtg) generate efficient interior scoring that NC State's paint defense (57.9% allowed FG, 1.16 PPP) cannot contain, while Miami's 3,483,517 paint attempts dwarf NC State's interior workload. NC State's most-used lineup (+3.0 net) cannot match Miami's best-net unit (+22.2 net, though limited to 1.3 minutes), and the on/off data reveals critical vulnerabilities: Zymicah Wilkins' -15.5 delta and Darius Adams' -12.5 delta suggest NC State's bench rotation is exploited, while Kyle Evans' +14.6 delta indicates his absence creates a 14-point swing—insufficient to overcome Miami's systematic rebounding and paint-scoring advantage. The -5.0 margin reflects Miami's ability to control the glass (37.2% OREB%) and generate second-chance points despite NC State's three-point volume (47.3% 3PA share), as Somtochukwu Cyril's +14.9 on/off delta signals Miami can deploy defensive specialists to limit NC State's perimeter creation when needed.

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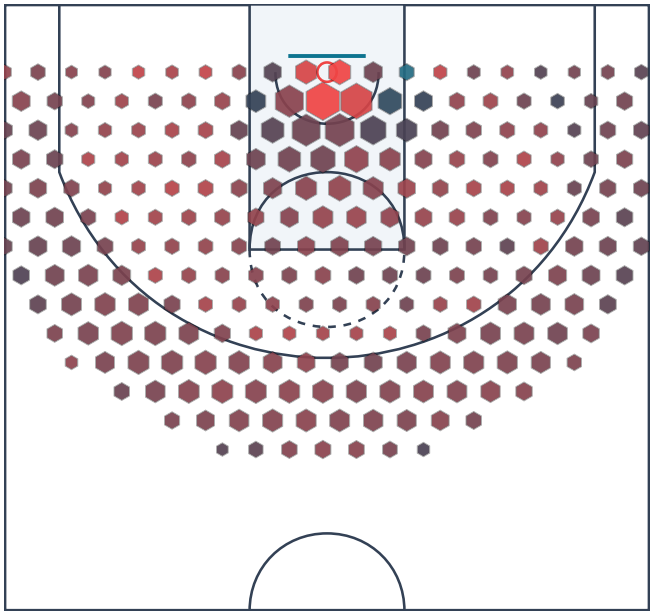
NC State Wolfpack



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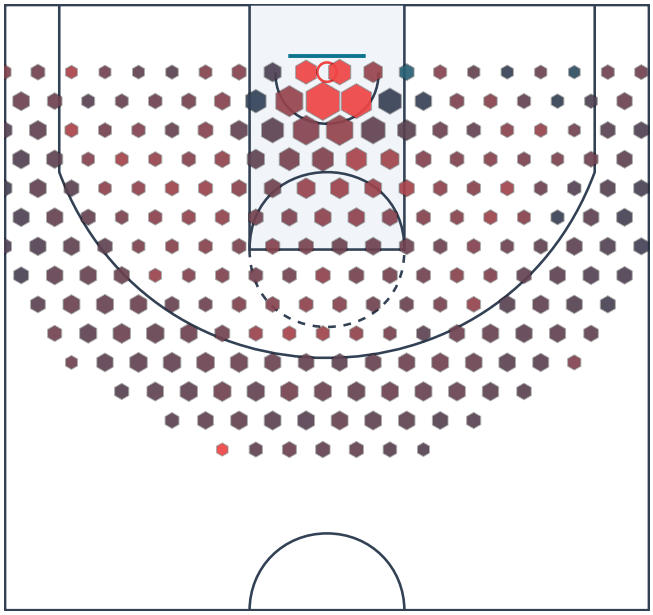

vs Duke Blue Devils

AWAY MATCHUP

WIN PROBABILITY	PROJECTED SCORE	OPPONENT SCORE	MARGIN
34.9%	79.4	85.5	-6.1

MATCHUP ANALYSIS

Duke's structural rebounding advantage (39.2% OREB% vs. NC State's 23.9%) and superior free-throw rate (31.5% vs. 22.7%) drive the -6.1 projected margin in a 34.9% win-probability scenario. While NC State matches Duke in overall eFG (57.4% vs. 57.6%) and paint efficiency (59.7% on 1.19 PPP vs. Duke's 59.5% on 1.19 PPP), Duke's Cameron Boozer (16.0p, 10.6r, 68.2% TS, 64.6% eFG) is a +6.1 on/off lever that NC State cannot match—his 142 ORtg and 10.6 rebound average create consistent second chances. NC State's Kyle Evans (+10.9 on/off delta) partially counters, but his 67.9% TS and 134 ORtg cannot overcome Boozer's volume and rebounding impact. Duke's best lineup (Foster, Boozer, Sarr, I. Evans, Blackwell) at +16.3 net (2.5 min) outpaces NC State's best (Hammond, Yalaho, K. Evans, McNeil Jr., Keene II) at -2.0 net, signaling Duke's depth advantage. NC State's 25.0 fouls/poss vs. Duke's 17.4 fouls/poss suggests foul trouble will accelerate Duke's free-throw volume, and the 15.3-percentage-point OREB% gap is the decisive structural lever.

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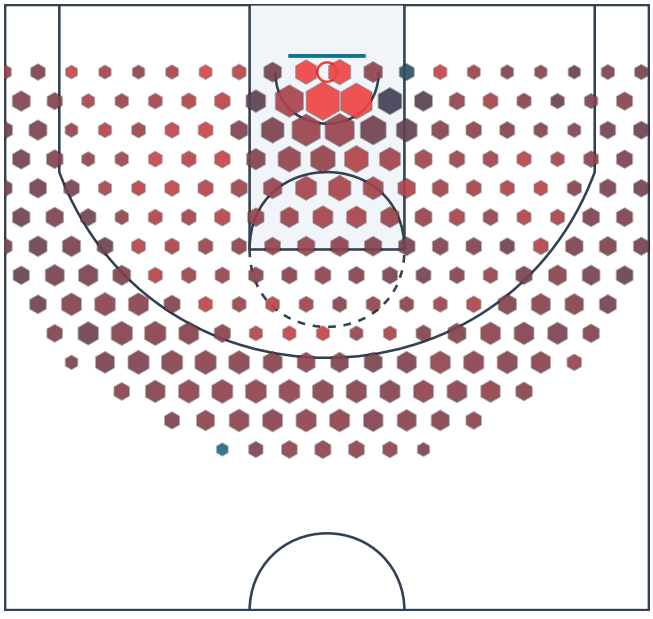
NC State Wolfpack



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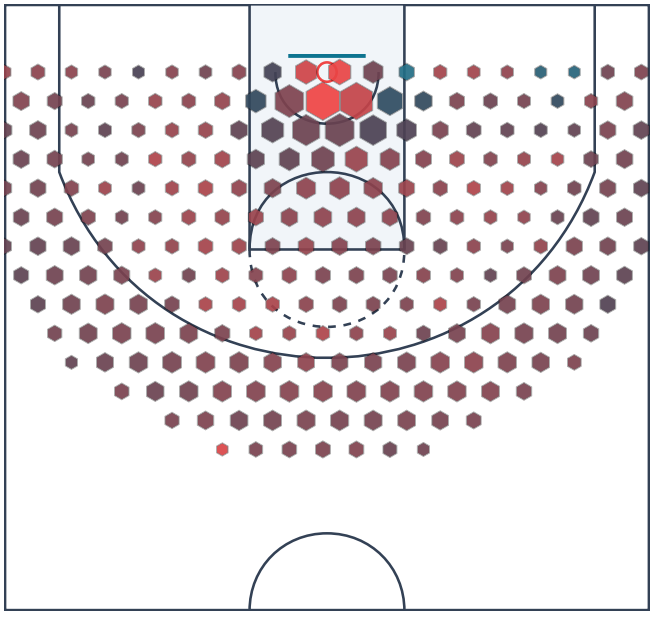

Paul McNeil Jr.NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
32.1	17.2	4.2	0.8	1.0	0.4	1.2	57.8	62.1	24.2	122.9	114.8

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Paul McNeil Jr. projects as NC State's primary offensive weapon, leading the team in minutes (32.1) and scoring (17.2 ppg) with a high 24.2% usage rate. His elite efficiency profile—62.1% true shooting and 57.8% effective field goal percentage—marks him as an outstanding shooter, particularly from three-point range where he attempts 9.4 threes per game, an extremely high volume that suggests he operates as a floor-spacing wing or off-ball scoring threat. The combination of high volume three-point shooting and excellent efficiency indicates he's both a primary option and a lethal weapon in catch-and-shoot situations. His offensive rating of 123 is excellent, and he protects the ball well with just 1.2 turnovers despite his usage.

Defensively, McNeil contributes with 1.0 steal per game and a solid 115 defensive rating, though his rebounding (4.2) and playmaking (0.8 assists) are modest for his minutes load. The assist-to-usage ratio reveals he's a scorer first rather than a creator, fitting a role as an off-ball shooting specialist or secondary initiator. His 0.4 blocks and overall defensive metrics suggest he's a competent but not elite defender at his position. McNeil's roster fit is clear: he's the go-to scoring option who spaces the floor at an elite level, and his ability to generate efficient offense without demanding high assist numbers makes him an ideal complementary piece who can scale up or down depending on surrounding talent.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	8.3	**16.8**	26.6
REB	1.6	**4.0**	6.9
AST	0.0	**1.0**	2.0
STL	0.0	**1.0**	2.3
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	1.0
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	2.9
MIN	27.0	**32.7**	36.5
eFG%	31.6	**57.3**	84.5
TS%	38.1	**61.8**	86.0
USG%	17.1	**24.1**	31.5
ORTG	80.5	**122.9**	165.2
DRTG	95.3	**114.8**	134.2

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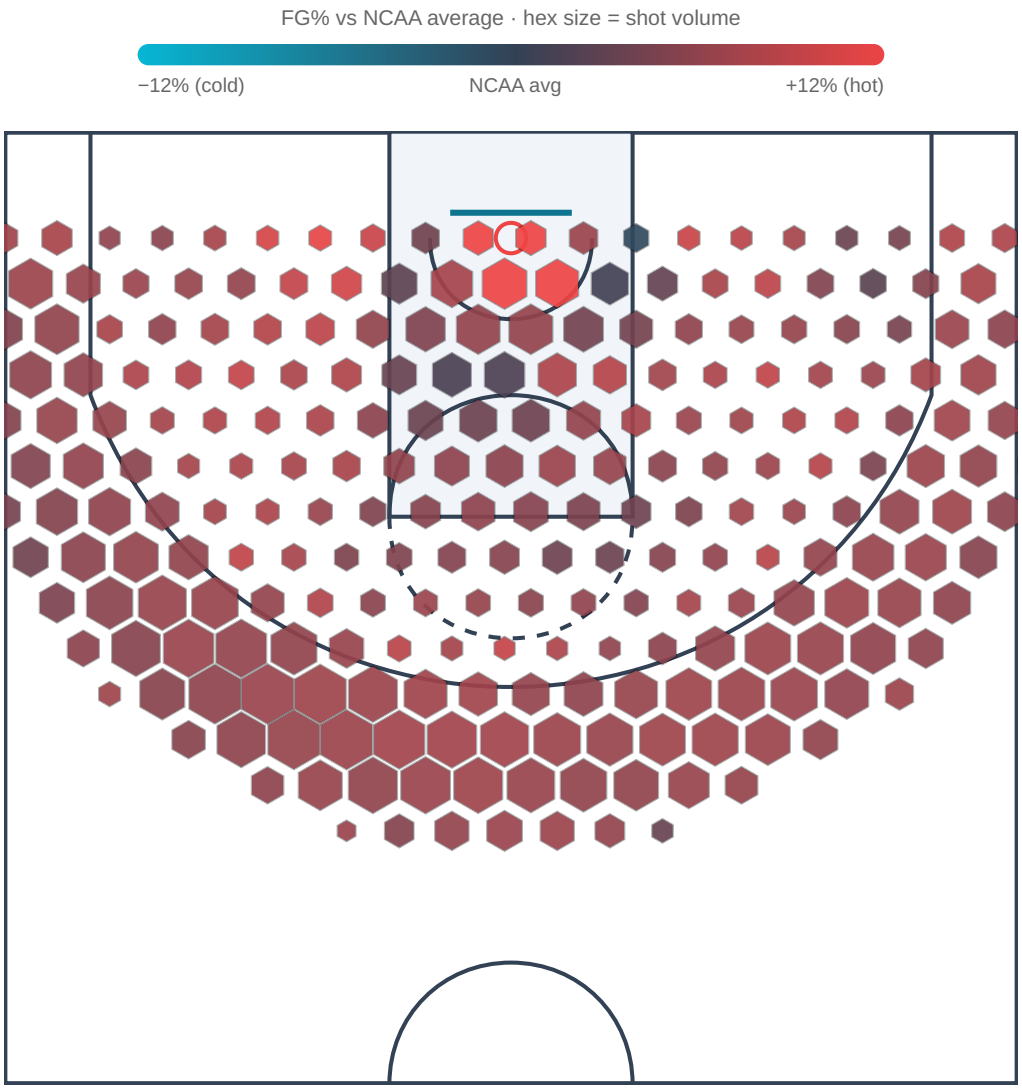

Kyle Evans NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
28.3	11.2	8.2	1.0	0.6	2.2	1.0	64.8	66.9	17.0	134.2	107.6

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Kyle Evans profiles as an elite rim-running big who excels in vertical spacing and defensive impact. His 66.9% true shooting and 64.8% effective field goal percentage are outstanding marks built on high-percentage looks near the basket, with minimal three-point volume (0.3 attempts per game). The 2.2 blocks per game stand out as a premier shot-blocking rate for the rotation, paired with strong rebounding (8.2 boards) that anchors the glass on both ends. His offensive rating of 134 reflects exceptional efficiency in a low-usage role (17.0%), suggesting he thrives in catch-and-finish situations and doesn't force offense.

Evans projects as a high-impact rotation big whose 28.3 minutes indicate significant trust from the coaching staff. The primary weaknesses are limited offensive creation (1.0 assist) and virtually no perimeter shooting threat, making him a traditional interior player. His defensive rating of 108 is solid, and the combination of blocks and rebounding makes him a foundational piece of the team's interior defense. The low turnover rate (1.0) relative to his minutes shows good decision-making within his role. He fits best alongside perimeter creators who can feed him in advantageous positions while he provides rim protection and second-chance opportunities.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	5.4	**10.8**	17.8
REB	4.5	**7.9**	12.1
AST	0.0	**1.0**	2.1
STL	0.0	**0.1**	1.8
BLK	0.3	**2.0**	4.2
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	2.0
MIN	25.2	**29.0**	30.9
eFG%	40.3	**66.4**	88.1
TS%	43.6	**67.2**	89.2
USG%	10.5	**16.8**	23.8
ORTG	93.6	**134.1**	175.0
DRTG	86.6	**107.7**	128.5

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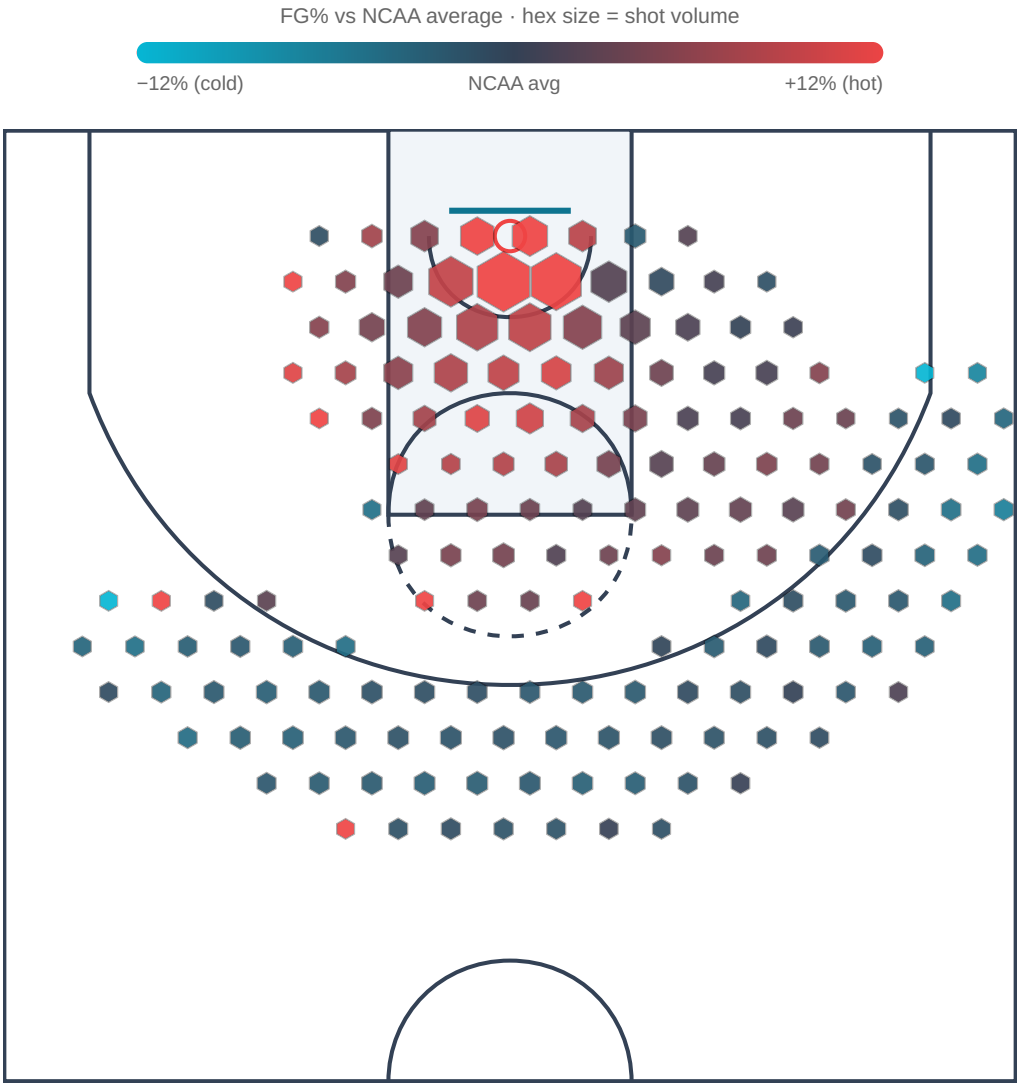

Eemeli Yalaho NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
28.0	10.3	5.5	1.8	0.7	0.2	1.4	56.6	59.8	18.4	120.1	114.3

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Eemeli Yalaho projects as a valuable rotation piece who brings efficient scoring and solid rebounding in 28 minutes per game. His 59.8% true shooting and 56.6% effective field goal percentage mark him as one of the team's most efficient offensive weapons, posting a strong 120 offensive rating while maintaining modest 18.4% usage. He contributes 10.3 points per game while attempting 4.2 threes, suggesting he spaces the floor as a stretch forward, and his 5.5 rebounds provide helpful glass work from the wing or forward spot. The low 1.4 turnovers reflect smart decision-making that complements his role.

Yalaho's defensive rating of 114 is solid, and he adds 0.7 steals per game, though his 0.2 blocks suggest he's not a rim protector. His 1.8 assists indicate he can make the extra pass but isn't a primary creator. The main limitation is that his modest usage means he's more of a complementary scorer than a go-to option. His fit is ideal as a floor-spacing, low-maintenance role player who won't hurt you with turnovers and provides efficient scoring without demanding high volume. He should thrive alongside higher-usage creators who can set him up for clean looks from beyond the arc.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	4.0	**9.9**	17.1
REB	2.6	**5.4**	8.8
AST	0.0	**1.8**	3.4
STL	0.0	**0.4**	1.9
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	1.0
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	3.0
MIN	25.5	**28.6**	30.6
eFG%	25.3	**56.2**	87.8
TS%	31.3	**59.5**	88.7
USG%	11.6	**18.2**	25.5
ORTG	74.2	**119.5**	166.5
DRTG	94.6	**114.4**	133.9

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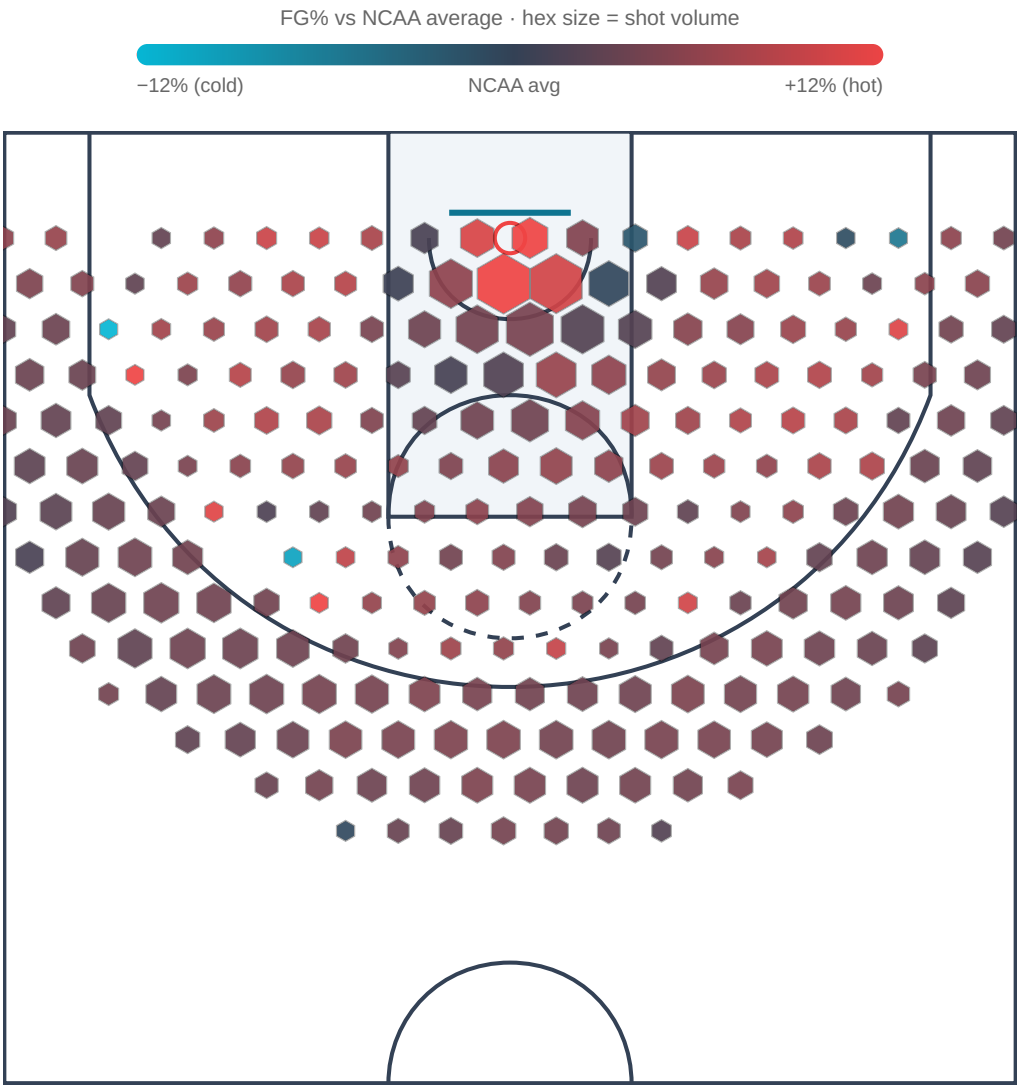


Preston Edmead NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
27.9	12.8	3.6	3.5	0.7	0.0	1.8	53.7	59.1	23.5	119.2	115.7

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

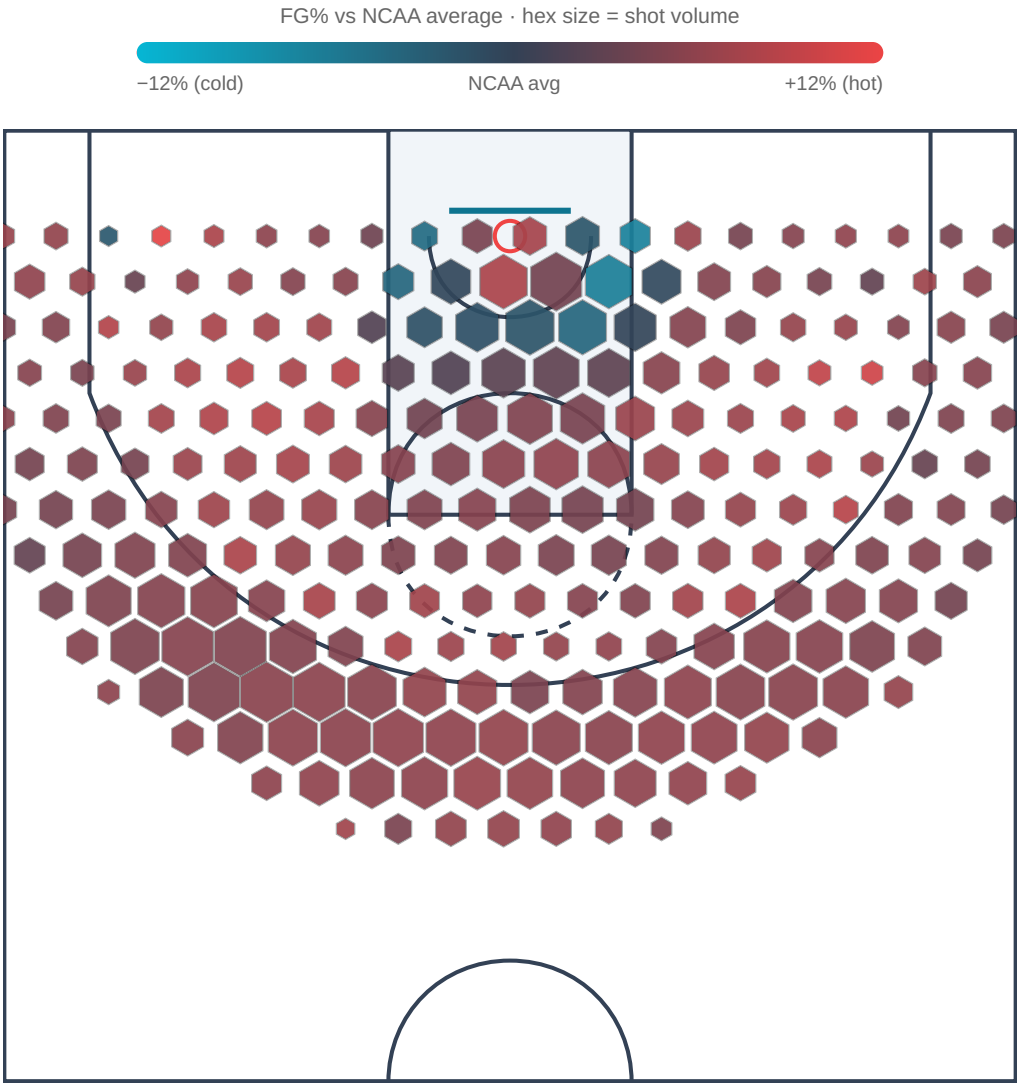
Preston Edmead projects as a high-volume perimeter scorer in a significant rotation role, logging nearly 28 minutes per game with a 23.5% usage rate and 12.8 points. His offensive efficiency is strong across the board: a 59.1% true shooting percentage and 53.7% effective field goal percentage indicate he converts at a solid rate, while his 119 offensive rating suggests he's a net-positive creator. He contributes 3.5 assists per game, showing capable playmaking ability, and attempts 5.6 threes per contest, marking him as a willing and active three-point shooter who spaces the floor. The 3.6 rebounds and 0.7 steals add secondary value, though the 1.8 turnovers reflect the ball-handling responsibility that comes with his usage.

Edmead's 116 defensive rating is respectable, and his lack of blocks (0.0) is typical for a perimeter player. His role appears to be that of a primary or secondary scoring option who can handle, shoot from distance, and facilitate within the offense. The combination of volume three-point shooting, efficient scoring, and playmaking makes him a versatile offensive weapon. With no major red flags in his profile—solid efficiency, manageable turnover rate for his usage, and strong minutes—Edmead fits as a cornerstone perimeter piece who can carry offensive load while maintaining balance. His ability to score efficiently at high usage will be critical to the team's offensive success.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	5.1	12.4	20.9
REB	1.1	3.4	6.2
AST	1.0	3.1	6.1
STL	0.0	0.7	2.0
BLK	0.0	0.0	0.0
TOV	0.0	1.7	3.6
MIN	20.0	29.6	32.1
eFG%	25.0	52.3	83.4
TS%	32.9	58.8	85.5
USG%	15.8	23.3	31.3
ORTG	76.9	118.8	161.9
DRTG	96.3	115.8	135.1

Shot Profile



Christian Hammond NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
27.8	12.9	2.9	2.3	1.7	0.0	1.6	55.6	58.6	23.4	115.6	112.1

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Christian Hammond projects as a high-impact rotation wing who brings elite two-way value to NC State. His 1.7 steals per game stand out as a premier defensive trait, pairing with a strong 112 defensive rating to anchor the perimeter. Offensively, he contributes 12.9 points on excellent efficiency (58.6% true shooting, 55.6% effective field goal percentage) with a moderate 23.4% usage rate, suggesting he can score without forcing shots. His 116 offensive rating reflects smart shot selection and finishing ability, while 3.3 three-point attempts per game indicate he spaces the floor as a credible threat from deep.

Hammond's well-rounded stat line—2.9 rebounds, 2.3 assists, just 1.6 turnovers—shows he contributes across multiple categories without major weaknesses. The combination of scoring efficiency, playmaking, and elite steal production makes him a versatile connector piece who can play both on and off the ball. At 27.8 minutes per game, he figures to be a cornerstone of the rotation, likely starting or playing heavy minutes in closing lineups. His ability to defend multiple positions while maintaining offensive efficiency gives NC State a reliable, low-maintenance option who maximizes possessions on both ends.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	5.9	**12.6**	20.5
REB	1.0	**2.8**	5.2
AST	0.3	**2.0**	4.2
STL	0.0	**1.4**	3.3
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	0.0
TOV	0.0	**1.4**	3.2
MIN	22.1	**29.1**	30.5
eFG%	31.2	**55.5**	80.8
TS%	35.3	**58.5**	82.2
USG%	15.9	**23.2**	31.2
ORTG	76.2	**115.2**	155.6
DRTG	91.5	**112.2**	132.4

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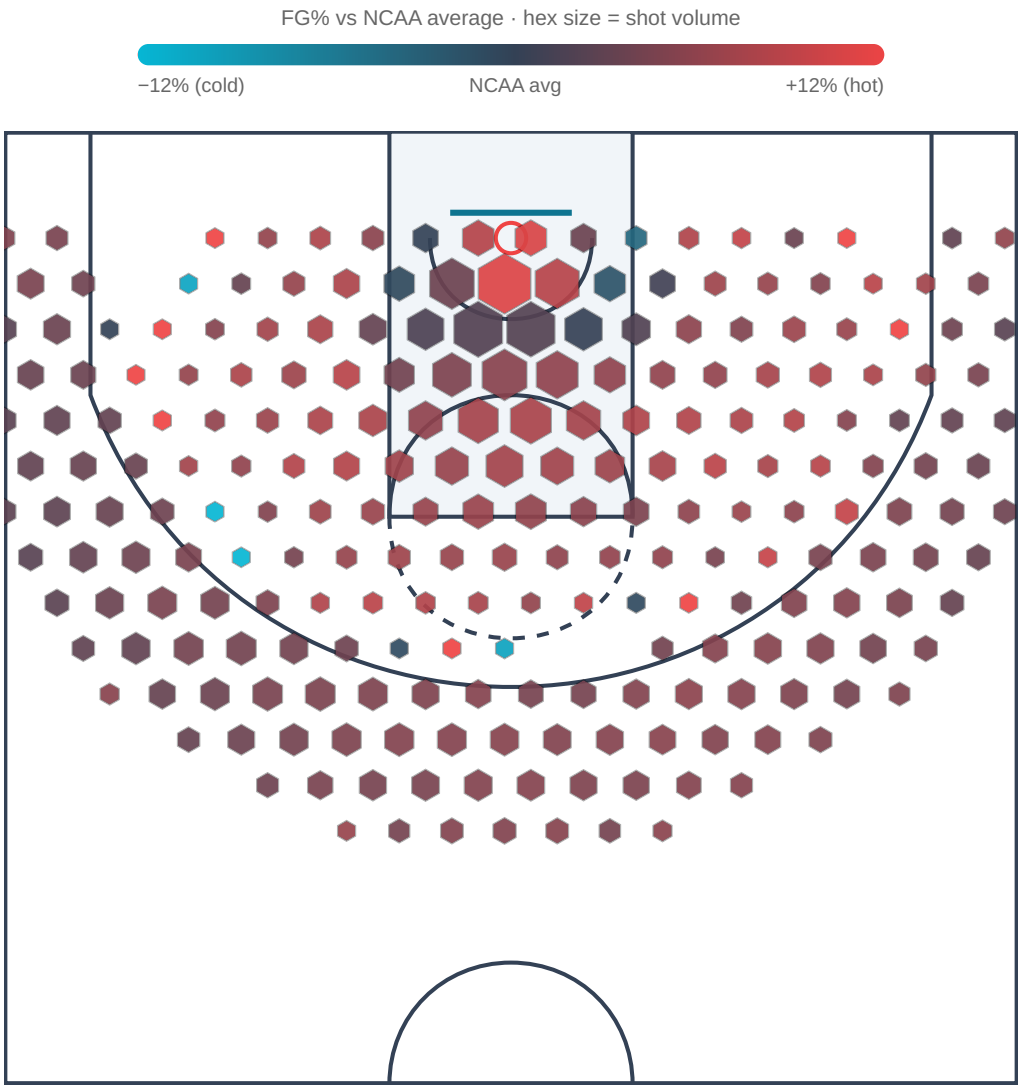


RJ Keene IINC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
21.8	3.2	3.8	1.8	0.8	0.2	0.6	54.5	54.7	8.2	130.0	113.4

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

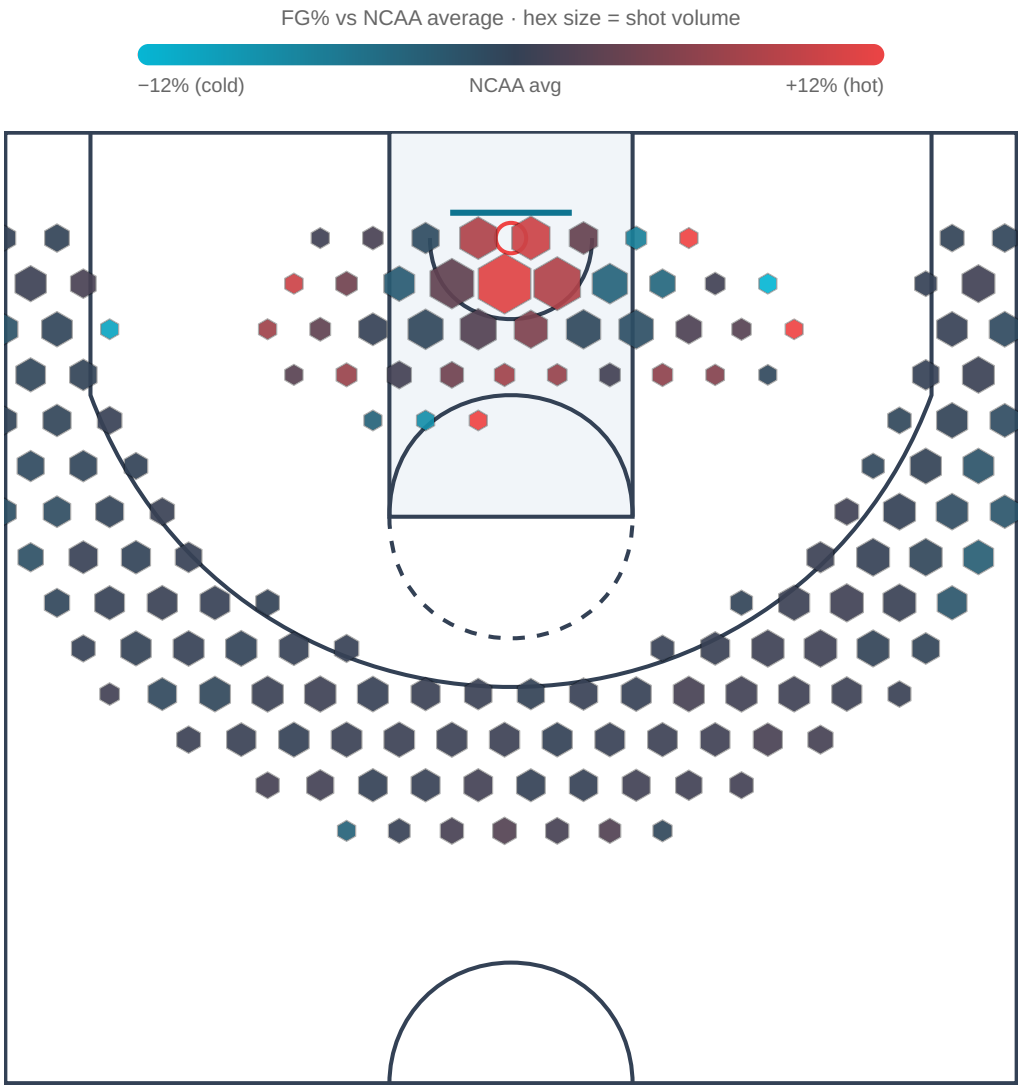
RJ Keene II projects as a low-usage rotation piece averaging 21.8 minutes per game with minimal offensive responsibility (8.2% usage rate). His offensive profile is defined by efficiency rather than volume—posting a 130 offensive rating with 54.7% true shooting and 54.5% effective field goal percentage while scoring just 3.2 points per game. He attempts 1.9 threes per game, suggesting a willingness to space the floor, and his 1.8 assists against only 0.6 turnovers indicate solid decision-making in a complementary role. Defensively, he contributes 0.8 steals per game and helps on the glass with 3.8 rebounds, solid numbers for his minutes.

Keene's role appears to be that of a glue-guy connector who won't demand touches but can make the right play when opportunities arise. His elite offensive rating (130) relative to his low usage suggests he thrives in spot-up and transition situations without forcing offense. The 113 defensive rating indicates he holds his own on that end. His strengths lie in his efficiency, rebounding for his role, and low turnover rate; his primary weakness is a lack of shot creation or scoring punch. He fits best as a seventh or eighth man who provides stable minutes without disrupting offensive flow, ideal for a team that needs versatile depth rather than a primary scorer.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	0.0	3.0	7.0
REB	1.2	3.8	6.5
AST	0.0	1.9	3.6
STL	0.0	0.8	2.0
BLK	0.0	0.0	1.0
TOV	0.0	0.0	1.9
MIN	19.4	21.4	25.6
eFG%	0.0	50.0	113.1
TS%	0.0	50.0	106.7
USG%	2.6	7.8	13.9
ORTG	54.2	125.7	217.2
DRTG	93.0	113.6	133.5

Shot Profile



Darius Adams NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
21.7	9.0	2.8	1.6	0.6	0.1	1.2	51.8	55.7	22.1	111.1	115.7

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

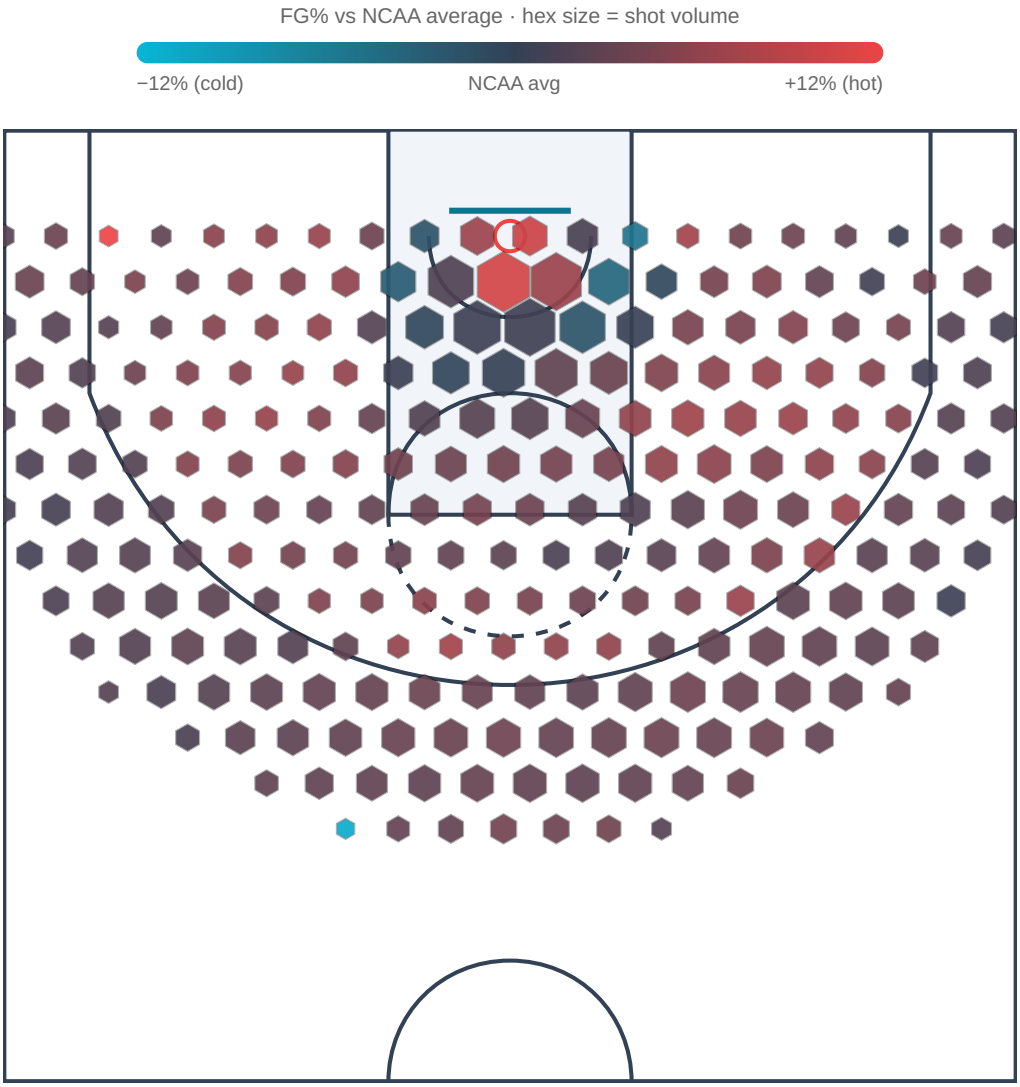
Darius Adams projects as a rotation wing who will log just under 22 minutes per game with moderate offensive involvement (22.1% usage). His scoring efficiency is solid—55.7% true shooting and 51.8% effective field goal percentage—suggesting he converts his opportunities at a respectable rate. He contributes 9.0 points per game while taking nearly three three-point attempts per contest, indicating he spaces the floor as a perimeter threat. His 2.8 rebounds and 1.6 assists show he can contribute across multiple categories, though neither marks him as a primary playmaker or rebounder. The 1.2 turnovers per game are manageable given his usage, and his 111 offensive rating reflects above-average efficiency when on the floor.

Defensively, Adams posts a 116 defensive rating, which suggests he may be a slight liability on that end or plays in lineups that struggle defensively. His 0.6 steals and 0.1 blocks per game indicate he is not a disruptive force in passing lanes or at the rim. From a roster construction standpoint, Adams fits as a complementary scorer and floor-spacer who can provide steady minutes off the bench or in a secondary starting role. His balanced but unspectacular profile suggests he will be most effective when playing within the flow of the offense rather than being asked to create or anchor a unit. Teams will value his shooting volume from deep and his ability to avoid major mistakes, but he is unlikely to be a difference-maker on either end.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	3.3	**8.6**	15.2
REB	1.0	**2.8**	5.1
AST	0.0	**1.1**	3.1
STL	0.0	**0.1**	1.8
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	0.6
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	2.8
MIN	19.2	**21.3**	25.5
eFG%	20.3	**50.0**	83.6
TS%	27.5	**55.5**	84.1
USG%	13.8	**21.9**	30.8
ORTG	64.7	**110.4**	158.1
DRTG	96.0	**115.9**	135.3

Shot Profile



Zymicah Wilkins NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
12.5	3.7	2.0	2.1	0.4	0.2	1.0	49.8	45.5	20.8	101.7	114.0

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Wilkins is a NEWCOMER projected for a rotation role at 12.5 minutes per game, so we lack historical data to assess shooting tendencies or consistency. His projected usage rate of 20.8% suggests a secondary offensive option when on the floor, with a balanced stat line that includes 2.1 assists per game—indicating some playmaking responsibility. The 3.7 points and 2.0 rebounds reflect his limited minutes, while his assist rate hints at a combo guard or wing role capable of facilitating.

The efficiency numbers are concerning: a 45.5% true shooting percentage and 102 offensive rating are well below Division I standards, though without prior data it's unclear whether this reflects genuine shooting struggles or small-sample noise in the projections. His 1.0 three-point attempt per game and 49.8% effective field goal percentage suggest he'll take some perimeter shots but may not be a reliable floor-spacer early in his career. The 114 defensive rating and modest defensive counting stats (0.4 steals, 0.2 blocks) indicate he's not expected to be a defensive stopper. For a newcomer in a rotation role, the key will be whether he can improve his shot selection and efficiency while leveraging his playmaking to carve out a consistent niche.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	0.0	**3.2**	7.8
REB	0.0	**2.0**	4.0
AST	0.1	**2.0**	4.1
STL	0.0	**0.0**	1.0
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	1.0
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	2.0
MIN	9.7	**11.5**	16.8
eFG%	0.0	**50.0**	100.0
TS%	0.0	**44.2**	87.6
USG%	10.0	**20.3**	32.4
ORTG	44.5	**98.4**	162.4
DRTG	92.6	**114.5**	135.0

Kingston Whitty NC State Wolfpack

MIN	PTS	REB	AST	STL	BLK	TOV	EFG%	TS%	USG%	ORTG	DRTG
11.6	3.0	1.0	2.1	0.5	0.0	0.9	48.9	44.6	19.2	97.5	115.5

ANALYST BREAKDOWN

Whitty is a NEWCOMER projected for a limited rotation role at 11.6 minutes per game, functioning primarily as a backup ball-handler with a 2.1:0.9 assist-to-turnover ratio. His 19.2% usage rate suggests he'll be asked to facilitate more than score, though the efficiency numbers are concerning—his 44.6% true shooting and 48.9% effective field goal percentage are well below acceptable thresholds for a guard, indicating significant struggles finishing at the rim or converting jumpers. The 1.1 three-point attempts per game in limited minutes suggest some willingness to shoot from deep, but without prior season data it's unclear whether the poor efficiency stems from shot selection, mechanics, or adjustment period struggles.

Defensively, the 116 defensive rating is poor, and while he contributes half a steal per game in spot minutes, there's little evidence of impact on that end. The offensive rating of 98 is alarmingly low and reflects the shooting woes—he's currently a net negative when on the floor. For a newcomer guard in a bench role, the priority will be cleaning up the efficiency (particularly around the basket and in transition) and limiting turnovers while running the second unit. If the shooting doesn't improve quickly, his 11.6 minutes may shrink further as the staff searches for more reliable options. The assist rate offers hope that he understands how to run an offense, but the scoring efficiency must climb closer to league average for him to carve out a sustainable role.

Outcome Distributions

METRIC	10TH	MEDIAN	90TH
PTS	0.0	**2.0**	6.9
REB	0.0	**1.0**	2.3
AST	0.0	**2.0**	4.1
STL	0.0	**0.1**	1.5
BLK	0.0	**0.0**	0.0
TOV	0.0	**1.0**	2.0
MIN	7.0	**11.3**	16.6
eFG%	0.0	**47.7**	100.0
TS%	0.0	**39.7**	98.3
USG%	7.8	**18.7**	31.3
ORTG	31.3	**92.1**	168.9
DRTG	93.3	**116.0**	137.0