

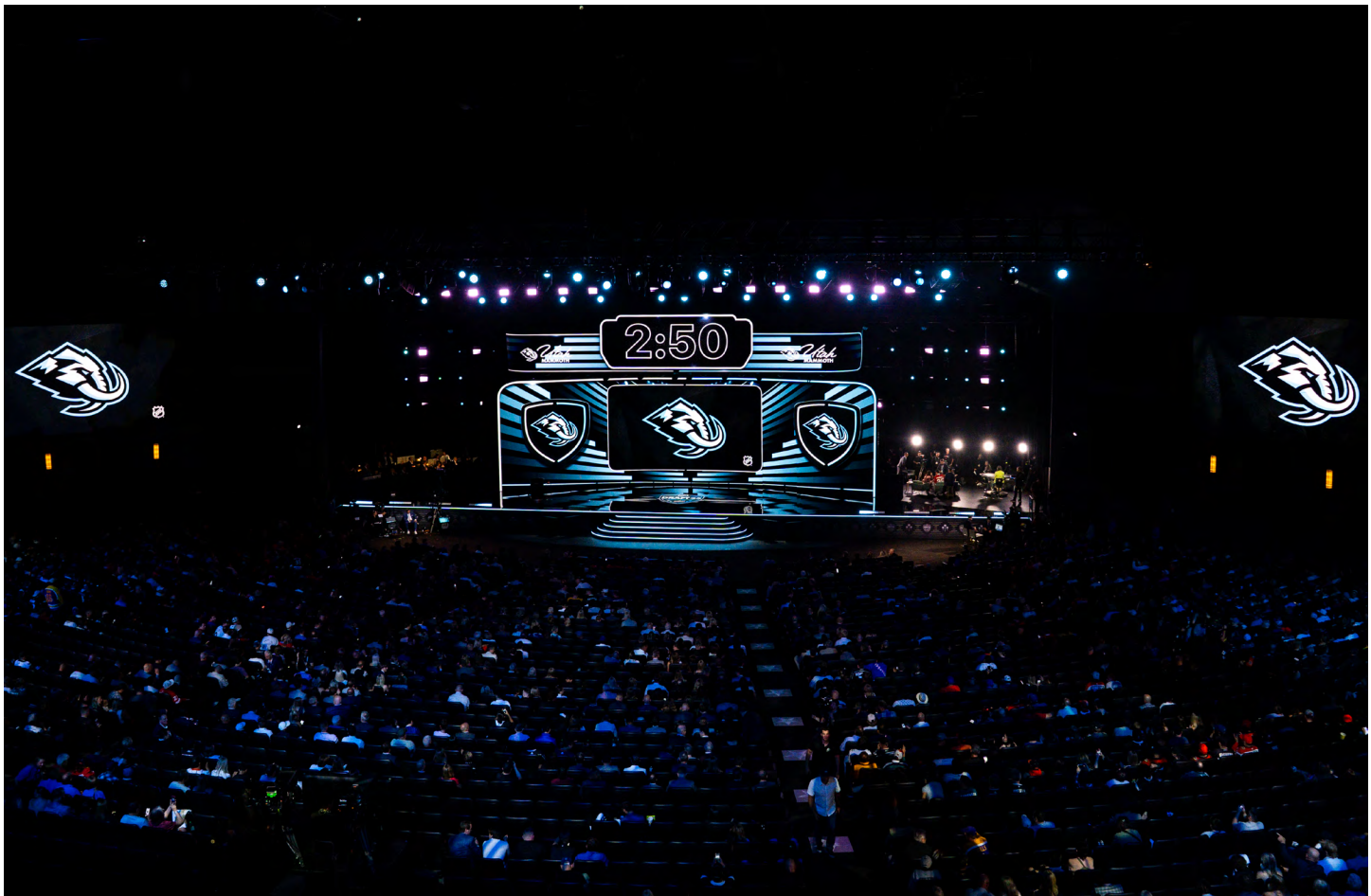
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2025 NHL Draft in Los Angeles

2026 DRAFT AND BROADCAST INFORMATION



MAMMOTH DRAFT PICKS

ROUND 1

ROUND 3

ROUND 4

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ROUND 7

PICK 19

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2026 NHL DRAFT DETAILS

The 2026 NHL Draft will be held at KeyBank Center in Buffalo, New York, from June 26-27. This will mark the second year of the league's decentralized format, by which draft-eligible prospects will attend the event in-person while team representatives attend virtually from their respective headquarters.

**JUN
26**

ROUND 1

**FRIDAY
5 P.M. MT**

**JUN
27**

ROUNDS 2-7

**SATURDAY
9 A.M. MT**

BROADCAST DETAILS

The first round of the 2026 NHL Draft will be televised on ESPN on Friday, and NHL Network will broadcast rounds 2-7 on Saturday. The full draft can also be streamed live on ESPN+.

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1ST ROUND DRAFT ORDER

PICK	TEAM	DETAILS
1	Toronto Maple Leafs	Moved up from the 5th spot after winning the draft lottery (8.5% odds)
2	San Jose Sharks	Moved up from the 9th spot after winning the second lottery draw (5.5% odds)
3	Vancouver Canucks	
4	Chicago Blackhawks	
5	New York Rangers	
6	Calgary Flames	
7	Seattle Kraken	
8	Winnipeg Jets	
9	Ottawa Senators	From Florida Panthers
10	Nashville Predators	
11	St. Louis Blues	
12	New Jersey Devils	
13	New York Islanders	
14	Columbus Blue Jackets	
15	St. Louis Blues	From Detroit Red Wings
16	Washington Capitals	
17	Los Angeles Kings	
18	Washington Capitals	From Anaheim Ducks
19	UTAH MAMMOTH	
20	Buffalo Sabres	From Edmonton Oilers via San Jose Sharks
21	Philadelphia Flyers	
22	Pittsburgh Penguins	
23	Boston Bruins	
24	Vancouver Canucks	From Minnesota Wild
25	Ottawa Senators	From Tampa Bay Lightning via Seattle Kraken and Florida Panthers
26	New York Rangers	From Dallas Stars via Carolina Hurricanes
27	San Jose Sharks	From Buffalo Sabres
28	Montreal Canadiens	
29	St. Louis Blues	From Colorado Avalanche via New York Islanders
30	Calgary Flames	From Vegas Golden Knights
31	Carolina Hurricanes	
32	Ottawa Senators	Received as part of modified penalty imposed for 2021 trade of Evgenii Dadonov

LEADING THE DRAFT

Utah Mammoth General Manager Bill Armstrong and Director of Amateur Scouting Darryl Plandowski will be leading their sixth NHL Draft this year, and they will be joined by new Mammoth Assistant Director of Amateur Scouting Teal Fowler.



BILL ARMSTRONG GENERAL MANAGER

Armstrong will begin his third season with the Mammoth after serving as the general manager of the Arizona Coyotes for the previous four seasons. From 2010-18, Armstrong played a pivotal role in shaping the St. Louis Blues' roster, contributing to their 2019 Stanley Cup victory while serving as the team's director of amateur scouting. Following his success in the role, Armstrong was promoted to assistant general manager, where he spearheaded the team's strategies for the NHL Draft. Throughout his career, Armstrong has demonstrated a keen eye for talent and overseen the selection of numerous players that have made their way to the NHL, including Mammoth skaters Logan Cooley, Dylan Guenther, Dmitri Simashev, Daniil But and Maveric Lamoureux in addition to former Utah and Arizona players such as Josh Doan, J.J. Moser and Conor Geekie. Recently, the Mammoth were ranked by The Athletic's Scott Wheeler as having the sixth-best prospect system in the NHL.



DARRYL PLANDOWSKI DIRECTOR OF AMATEUR SCOUTING

Plandowski enters his third season with the Mammoth as director of amateur scouting after serving in the same role with the Arizona Coyotes since October 2020. Plandowski previously spent 11 seasons as an amateur scout with the Tampa Bay Lightning (2008-19) before ascending to the team's assistant director of amateur scouting in 2019-20. Plandowski played an integral part in building the Tampa Bay Lightning team that won the 2020 Stanley Cup. Plandowski began his career as an amateur scout for the Buffalo Sabres (1998-06) and the head amateur scout for the Pittsburgh Penguins (2006-08).



TEAL FOWLER ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF AMATEUR SCOUTING

Fowler enters his first season as the Associate Director of Amateur Scouting for the Mammoth. Before earning promotion to his current role in March 2026, he had served as the European Regional Scout for Utah and the Arizona Coyotes since 2019. The Batavia, New York native possesses 24 years of professional hockey experience as a player, coach and general manager in Germany. Fowler oversaw two regular-season championships and one DEL championship (2015) over his eight seasons as general manager of Adler Mannheim, and he also coached the franchise to another DEL title (2007). He totaled 51-58-109 in 123 collegiate games at Merrimack University from 1989-93 and captained the Warriors as a senior, before playing eight professional seasons in Germany that included five as Iserlohn's captain.

SCOUTING COVERAGE

DIRECTORS

DARRYL PLANDOWSKI – Director, Amateur Scouting

- Worldwide Coverage

TEAL FOWLER – Assistant Director, Amateur Scouting

- Worldwide Coverage

AREA SCOUTS

CORY BANIK – Amateur Scout, Ontario

- Ontario Hockey League, Ontario Junior Hockey League, Ontario High School Prep Hockey

MARK BELL – Amateur Scout, Ontario

- Ontario Hockey League, Ontario Junior Hockey League, Ontario High School Prep Hockey

RANDY HANSCH – Amateur Scout, West

- Western Hockey League, BCHL, AJHL

KEVIN PEDERSEN – Amateur Scout, West

- Western Hockey League, BCHL, AJHL

KEVIN THACKER – Amateur Scout, Quebec

- Quebec Major Junior Hockey League

RICK COMLEY – Amateur Scout, USA

- USHL, NCAA, NAHL, High School

LUKE CURADI – Amateur Scout, USA

- USHL, NCAA, NAHL, High School

TYLER BILTON – Amateur Scout, Sweden

- SHL, Allsvenskan, J20, J18

JANI KIVIHARJU – Amateur Scout, Finland

- Finland, Liiga, U20 League, U20 SM-Sarja

CLAY ADAMS – Amateur Scout, Goaltending

- Worldwide Coverage (Goalies)

JAKE SCHMICK – Hockey Operations Coordinator

- Video Coverage, Area Support

BILL ARMSTRONG'S SOUNDBITES

ON HOW THE DRAFT STRATEGY CHANGES WHEN PICKING AT 19 AND WHAT TYPE OF PLAYER WILL BE AVAILABLE:

“We hope for a really good player. I think the strategy doesn’t change that much in the sense that when you get into that 19 (range) you’re really studying what’s going to be around the area, who’s coming your way. That kind of stays the same and you just get comfortable with the talent level that’s around that area and you do as much homework as you can and you attack it. I think it’s an exciting time. This time of year, knowing you’re going to get some of the guys on the board. It’s a decent draft this year. I think our guys are excited about some of the guys that could come our way.”

ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE AMATEUR STAFF IN TERMS OF DEVELOPING THE PROSPECTS:

“They are an engine. They have probably one of the most important departments when you go through this process and you deal with those guys just at certain times of the year. We have great faith in them, and what they've been able to put on the board since I've become GM. They're the guys behind the scenes that drive in the middle of the night. They're dodging logging trucks, trucks through ice, and delayed flights, you name it, what they experience in a year, and they're the happiest guys in the world. They're the hardest workers in the world, and they certainly have a huge impact on our organization come draft time.”

ON DARRYL PLANDOWSKI'S IMPACT LEADING THE DRAFT:

“He's had impact. He's a worker, number one. When you're leading the amateur staff, you've got to be a guy that goes out there and works, and you've got to really manage people. He's done a great job of that, and bringing out the best in the scouting staff, listening to what they say and putting the players in the right order. He's got a wealth of knowledge, obviously. He helped build Tampa Bay, and got them onto winning a Stanley Cup, so he's got a huge impact in this organization in drafting players and his knowledge. We reap the benefits of all his knowledge in his years that he's accumulated on the road scouting, so he has a huge impact for us. Again, he'll go to the mic and swing away here, so it'll be interesting. Not as many picks, but we hope to have an impact with the picks that we do have.”

BILL ARMSTRONG'S NOTABLE DRAFT SELECTIONS

Utah Mammoth General Manager Bill Armstrong heads into his sixth draft having replenished the organization's prospect system. Since 2021, Armstrong has drafted 10 players who have made their NHL debuts – only three teams have selected more over the last five drafts.

LOGAN COOLEY (2022) 1ST ROUND, 3RD OVERALL

- Cooley recorded 43 points (24g, 19a) in 54 games with Utah during his third NHL season in 2025-26, and he signed an eight-year contract extension on Oct. 29, tying him to the franchise through 2033-34.
- Despite missing 28 games due to an upper-body injury from Dec. 6 to Feb. 4, he finished second in multi-goal games (6) and tied for fifth in goals among all NHL skaters aged 21 or younger. He also tied for the team lead in shorthanded goals (2) while setting a new career high in game-winning goals (3).
- Cooley also became the fourth active American player to score at least 20 goals in each of his first three NHL seasons, alongside Auston Matthews (2016-26: 10), Jack Eichel (2015-20: 5) and Patrick Kane (2007-20: 13).
- He recorded a career-high five points (4g, 1a) against Vegas (Nov. 24), becoming the second player in franchise history to register a five-point game and the first Mammoth skater to score at least four goals in a single contest.
- Cooley was one of three NHL players to post a four-goal game last season, and that performance was one of his two hat tricks in 2025-26, as he also scored Utah's first-ever natural hat trick at St. Louis (Oct. 23: 3g, 1a). He subsequently received NHL Second Star of the Week honors (Oct. 27), closing the week with eight points (5g, 3a) over four games.
- Cooley's three tallies against the Blues all came in the first period, as he became the 21st player in NHL history to score a hat trick in the opening 10:55 of any game and just the second player since 2009-10 to tally at least four points over his first 3:45 of ice time in any contest. His 16 total first-period goals last season finished tied for the fourth-most in the NHL.
- Among players from the 2022 NHL Draft, Cooley ranks second in career goals (69) and points (152), tied for second in game-winning goals (7), third in assists (83) and first in even-strength goals (50) and shorthanded goals (3).



BILL ARMSTRONG'S NOTABLE DRAFT SELECTIONS

DYLAN GUENTHER (2021)

1ST ROUND, 9TH OVERALL

- Guenther set new career highs in goals (40), points (73), multi-point games (20) and games played (79) with Utah in 2025-26. His career-high 40 goals also established a new franchise record, and he was one of only four NHL skaters aged 23 or younger to reach that mark.
- Guenther finished second in the NHL in go-ahead goals (19) last season, and his seven game-opening tallies were tied with Logan Cooley and Nick Schmaltz for the team lead. He also tied for the league lead with four game-opening goals in March and April, as he lit the lamp 15 times in 24 contests after the NHL's Olympic break (15-11-26).
- Guenther led the Mammoth with 12 goals in the third period, and his four go-ahead tallies in the final regulation frame ranked third in the NHL.
- He also factored on six of the team's 10 overtime goals in 2025-26 (3g, 3a), and his nine overtime points (6g, 3a) over two seasons with Utah are the most on the team, ahead of Clayton Keller (5-3-8) and Mikhail Sergachev (2-6-8).
- Guenther scored his three overtime winners over the first 34 games of the season (Oct. 11 at Nashville, Oct. 21 vs. Colorado and Dec. 14 at Pittsburgh), as his 19th total game-winning tally over his first 182 career contests tied Paul Kariya, Eric Lindros and Jason Robertson for the most by any NHL skater debuting in the 1990s or later.
- He also netted his first career NHL hat trick (3g, 1a) against the Islanders at UBS Arena on New Year's Day, and he finished the season with the most road goals (17) and road points (37) of any Mammoth skater.
- Guenther also ranked second on the team in power-play goals (9), and his 21 tallies on the man-advantage over the past two seasons are the most by any Utah skater.
- Selected ninth overall in the 2021 NHL Draft, Guenther ranks second in career goals (91) and power-play goals (34), third in points (183) and first in game-winning goals (20) and overtime goals (7).



BILL ARMSTRONG'S NOTABLE DRAFT SELECTIONS

DMITRI SIMASHEV (2023)

1ST ROUND, 6TH OVERALL

- Simashev was named to Utah's opening night roster in 2025-26 and became the second player to make his NHL debut with the franchise in the regular-season opener at Colorado (Oct. 9). He skated in 28 contests with the Mammoth last season and tallied his first NHL point with an assist at Toronto on Nov. 15.
- Simashev also registered 35 points (8g, 27a) in 40 AHL games with the Tucson Roadrunners, earning selection to the AHL All-Rookie Team.
- He finished third in points and tied for second in power-play goals (3) among all first-year defensemen, and he was named AHL Rookie of the Month for January after ranking third in scoring among all league blueliners with 11 points (1g, 10a) in 10 games.



DANIIL BUT (2023)

1ST ROUND, 12TH OVERALL

- But became the third player to make his NHL debut with Utah and the first to do so in a win, logging 11:40 of ice time in a 7-0 victory at Anaheim (Dec. 3).
- He tallied seven points (3g, 4a) in 29 games for the Mammoth in 2025-26, with his first three points (1g, 2a) all coming on the power play. But scored his first NHL goal against New Jersey on Dec. 12 and added his first multi-point outing (1g, 1a) against Toronto a month later (Jan. 13).
- He also recorded 39 points (19g, 20a) in 41 AHL games with Tucson last season, finishing tied for fifth on the team in scoring and tying for the eighth-most goals of any league rookie. But totaled nine points (4g, 5a) over a four-game point streak in March that included his first AHL four-point game (2g, 2a) against San Jose (March 14).



BILL ARMSTRONG'S NOTABLE DRAFT SELECTIONS

MAVERIC LAMOUREUX (2022)

1ST ROUND, 29TH OVERALL

- Lamoureux tallied one assist in five NHL games with the Mammoth in 2025-26, and he has now totaled four points (1g, 3a) in 20 NHL contests over the past two seasons.
- He spent most of the campaign with Tucson, tallying 20 points (5g, 15a) in 65 AHL games and finishing fourth in scoring among Roadrunners defensemen. Lamoureux scored the first game-winning goal of his professional career as part of his first AHL multi-goal game (2g) against San Jose on March 15.
- He previously became the first player to make his NHL debut with Utah (Oct. 24, 2024 vs. Colorado), as well as the first player to score his first career NHL goal for the franchise (Oct. 30, 2024 vs. Calgary).



MAKSYMILIAN SZUBER (2022)

6TH ROUND, 163RD OVERALL

- The 56th defenseman selected in the 2022 NHL Draft, Szuber became just the sixth blueliner from his draft class to make his NHL debut with the Arizona Coyotes on April 9, 2024.
- He scored double-digit goals for the first time in his professional career in 2025-26, registering 27 points (11g, 16a) in 65 games. Szuber tied for the seventh-most goals of any AHL defenseman and finished third in points and first in shots on goal (107) among Roadrunners blueliners.
- He has totaled 87 points (25g, 62a) in 200 career AHL games with Tucson over the past three seasons.



BILL ARMSTRONG'S NOTABLE DRAFT SELECTIONS

PLAYERS DRAFTED BY BILL ARMSTRONG TO PLAY NHL GAMES

PLAYER	POS	YEAR	ROUND/OVERALL	GP	GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS
Dylan Guenther (ARI/UTA)	F	2021	1st Round, 9th overall (ARI)	227	91	92	183
Josh Doan (ARI/UTA/BUF)	F	2021	2nd round, 37th overall (ARI)	144	37	43	80
J.J. Moser (ARI/TBL)	D	2021	2nd round, 60th overall (ARI)	338	25	90	115
Emil Lilleberg (TBL)	D	2021	4th round, 107th overall (ARI)	163	5	31	36
Logan Cooley (ARI/UTA)	C	2022	1st round, 3rd overall (ARI)	211	69	83	152
Conor Geekie (TBL)	C	2022	1st round, 11th overall (ARI)	66	9	8	17
Maveric Lamoureux (UTA)	D	2022	1st round, 29th overall (ARI)	20	1	3	4
Maksymilian Szuber (ARI)	D	2022	6th round, 163rd overall (ARI)	1	0	0	0
Dmitri Simashev (UTA)	D	2023	1st round, 6th overall (ARI)	28	0	1	1
Daniil But (UTA)	F	2023	1st round, 12th overall (ARI)	29	3	4	7



UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

GETTING TO THE POINT

- Utah's three former first-round picks, forwards **Tij Iginla** (2024: 1st Round, 6th Overall), **Caleb Desnoyers** (2025: 1st Round, 4th Overall) and **Cole Beaudoin** (2024: 1st Round, 24th Overall), each finished top-five among all CHL skaters in points per game during the regular season.
- Iginla** led the WHL and ranked second in the CHL with 1.88 points per game, earning 90 points (41g, 49a) in 48 games while serving as an alternate captain for Kelowna.
- He was named to the WHL's Western Conference First All-Star Team after finishing sixth in points, tied for sixth in goals and tied for eighth in shorthanded goals (3) among all league skaters.
- Iginla finished the regular season with points in 29 of his final 31 games (28-35-63), including a career-long, 17-game point streak from Feb. 11 to March 20 (15-24-39) and a career-long, four-game streak of multi-goal games from Feb. 14-21 (8-4-12).
- Deployed at center, he also won a team-high 53.9% of his faceoffs (460-for-854, min. 50 draws), quadrupling his previous single-season high in faceoff wins (2024-25: 111 in 21 GP).
- Iginla led the Rockets in goals (7) and game-winning goals (3) over nine WHL playoff appearances, and he scored one goal in three games as Kelowna hosted the Memorial Cup.
- Desnoyers** posted 78 points (22g, 56a) in just 45 QMJHL games as Moncton's captain, finishing second in the QMJHL in points per game (1.73) last season.
- He was named to the QMJHL First All-Star Team for the second straight season after tying for the fourth-most assists of any QMJHL skater despite missing the Wildcats' first 11 games due to injury.
- Over the final 38 games of the regular season (Nov. 19 to March 21), Desnoyers registered 22 multi-point games, 13 three-point games, four multi-goal games and four scoreless games.
- He also found the scoresheet in 24 of 26 contests from Nov. 19 to Feb. 20 (15-37-52) via two separate 12-game point streaks, one of which stood as the longest assist streak of his QMJHL career (12 GP from Nov. 19 to Jan. 10).
- Desnoyers was named to the QMJHL Team of the Week four times, with his final selection following a career-best, six-point performance (2g, 4a) at Val-d'Or (Feb. 26). He became just the seventh Wildcats skater to post a six-point game, joining a list that includes Conor Garland and Ivan Barbashev.
- Beaudoin** registered the fifth-highest points per game (1.65) of any CHL skater and finished second in the OHL in that category in 2025-26, tallying 89 points (33g, 56a) in 54 games as Barrie's co-captain.
- Named a top-five finalist for the OHL's Most Outstanding Player, Beaudoin was selected by OHL general managers as the league's Most Sportsmanlike Player and led the OHL Coaches Poll in the categories of hardest worker, best defensive forward, best on faceoffs and best penalty killer.
- He posted 29 multi-point games and 12 scoreless games during the regular season, held without a point in back-to-back contests just once. Beaudoin also registered four or more points in three straight games from Feb. 8-16 (5-8-13), with his lone hat trick (3g, 1a) coming in a 7-4 win at North Bay (Feb. 8).
- Despite missing Barrie's last six postseason games due to injury, Beaudoin led all OHL skaters in playoff scoring (10-19-29 in 15 GP) and was one of five players to score at all three strengths in the postseason.
- He found the scoresheet in 14 of his 15 playoff contests, registering nine multi-point outings and five three-point outings as part of his 12-game point streak to open the postseason.



UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

TITLE FIGHT

- Forwards **Caleb Desnoyers** (2025: 1st Round, 4th Overall), **Gabe Smith** (2024: 4th Round, 103rd Overall) and defenseman **Tomas Lavoie** (2024: 3rd Round, 89th Overall) met in the Gilles-Courteau Trophy Final as the Moncton Wildcats (Desnoyers, Smith) faced the Chicoutimi Saguenéens for the QMJHL championship.
- Lavoie** recorded 13 points (3g, 10a) in 20 playoff games, including three assists in the six-game final, to help the Saguenéens win their first league title in more than 30 years.
- He posted three multi-point efforts during the playoffs and tallied a postseason-high four points (1g, 3a), including the eventual series-clinching goal, in Game 4 of Chicoutimi's first-round sweep against Halifax.
- Lavoie began the season as captain for Cape Breton (5-16-21 in 24 GP), who selected him first overall in the 2022 QMJHL Draft, before he was traded to Chicoutimi on Dec. 19. He closed the regular season with 26 points (5g, 21a) over his final 32 games and earned selection to the QMJHL Second All-Star Team.
- He was selected as the QMJHL Player of the Week on Dec. 22, after posting a four-game point streak that was capped by netting his first QMJHL hat trick (3g, 1a) in his final contest with the Eagles (Dec. 18).
- Smith** was named QMJHL Playoff MVP after leading all QMJHL skaters in postseason goals (19), points (33) and power-play points (7-6-13). Mammoth prospects have now received that honor in back-to-back years, after Desnoyers (9-21-30 in 19 GP) earned the award in 2025.
- Smith posted nine multi-point games and five three-point games during the postseason, with three-point games in both Game 4 (2g, 1a) and Game 5 (1g, 2a) of the final against Chicoutimi.
- His 19 playoff goals were also the most by any QMJHL skater in a single postseason since 2019.
- Smith was also named the QMJHL's Top Defensive Forward during the regular season, finishing sixth in the league in faceoff wins (689, 58.9%) and serving on Moncton's second-ranked penalty kill (82.4%).
- Offensively, he set new QMJHL highs in goals (34), assists (43), points (77) and game-winning goals (7) while tying for the league lead in power-play goals (18), more than quadrupling his previous season high (4).
- Desnoyers** registered 25 points (7g, 18a) in 21 games during Moncton's playoff run and found the scoresheet in five of six contests during the Gilles-Courteau Trophy Final (2-5-7).



UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

LIKE MIKE

- Goaltender **Michael Hrabal** (2023: 2nd Round, 38th Overall) played his junior season at UMass before making his professional debut with Tucson in 2025-26.
- Hrabal posted a 19-9-1 record in 29 collegiate appearances for the Minutemen last season and finished tied for eighth in wins, tied for sixth in shutouts (4), fifth in goals-against average (1.95, min. 15 GP) and third in save percentage (.937, min. 15 GP) among all Division I goaltenders.
- He became the first European to receive Hockey East Player of the Year honors, and he was also the lone unanimous selection to the All-Hockey East First Team. Hrabal posted the second-highest single-season save percentage in Hockey East history during conference play (.952), and he was also named National Goaltender of the Month in January and February as he closed the campaign with a 13-4-1 record in 2026.
- Selected as a top-three finalist for the Mike Richter Award, given annually to the top goaltender in college hockey, Hrabal finished his UMass career with the second-most wins (54) in program history.
- Hrabal made five AHL appearances for Tucson after concluding his collegiate season, earning a 3-1-1 record, 2.96 goals-against average and .897 save percentage. He stopped 22 of 24 shots to register a win in his professional debut against Ontario on March 28.



DESERT DEBUTS

- Forwards **Noel Nordh** (2023: 3rd Round, 72nd Overall) and **Owen Allard** (2024: 5th Round, 135th Overall) both played their first full AHL seasons with Tucson in 2025-26.
- Nordh** earned 21 points (6g, 15a) in 60 AHL contests last season, after skating in two games for the Roadrunners in 2024-25.
- Nordh tied for eighth on the team in power-play goals (2), and his six total points on the man-advantage (2g, 4a) were tied for the 10th-most of any Roadrunners skater.
- He tallied his first two professional points (1g, 1a) in a 5-4 overtime win against Calgary (Oct. 18), which marked his first of three multi-point efforts. He also found the scoresheet in 10 of 12 contests from Nov. 29 to Jan. 2 (2g, 8a), with a season-long, five-game point streak from Nov. 29 to Dec. 12 (1g, 4a).
- Allard** registered 19 points (8g, 11a) in 69 AHL games with Tucson during his first professional season, finishing tied for fifth on the team in game-winning goals (2).
- He scored the first of the Roadrunners' two game-tying goals in the third period of his AHL debut at Ontario (Oct. 10), helping the team to a 5-4 overtime win.
- Allard posted four multi-point performances in 2025-26 and tallied a season-high three points (2g, 1a) in a 5-1 win at San Diego (April 15), which stood as the first multi-goal outing of his professional career.



UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

DINAMO DUO

- Forwards **Yegor Borikov** (2025: 4th Round, 110th Overall) and **Vadim Moroz** (2023: 3rd Round, 88th Overall) have spent each of the past four seasons as teammates within Dinamo Minsk's organization.
- **Borikov** signed a three-year, entry-level contract with Utah on May 7, after setting new KHL highs in goals (16), assists (14) and points (30) over 59 regular-season games in 2025-26. He earned 63 points (33g, 30a) in 167 career KHL games over three seasons with Dinamo Minsk.
- Borikov ranked sixth in goals, fourth in game-winning goals (4) and second in hits (78) among all Dinamo skaters during the regular season in 2025-26.
- He also tied for second on the team in playoff goals (2g in 7 GP) in 2026 and totaled 10 points (9g, 1a) in 18 career KHL postseason appearances. His seven goals during the 2025 Gagarin Cup Playoffs (11 GP) matched Evgeny Kuznetsov's record for goals in a postseason by a player aged 20 or younger.
- **Moroz** registered 29 points (14g, 15a) in 54 games during his fourth KHL season with Dinamo in 2025-26, earning his first career selection to the KHL All-Star Game.
- He totaled 109 points (56g, 53a) in 222 career KHL contests over the past four seasons and was one of only two Dinamo skaters to score double-digit goals in each of the past three campaigns (2023-26).
- Moroz set new KHL highs in goals, assists, points and plus/minus (+18) in 2024-25, and he ranked first on the team in goals, second in game-winning goals (5) and tied for fourth in hits (64).
- He also scored his first professional hat trick as a 20-year-old on Sept. 13, 2024, becoming the youngest Belarusian player to score a KHL hat trick and the first Belarusian player since 2010 to score three even-strength goals in a single contest.

ON POINT

- Utah's two sixth-round picks from last year's draft, defensemen **Ludvig Johnson** (2025: 174th Overall) and **Reko Alanko** (2025: 182nd Overall), both continued their development in Europe in 2025-26.
- **Johnson** played his first full season in the Swiss National League, tallying 13 points (3g, 10a) in 43 games with HC Fribourg-Gottéron and tying for the second-most NL points of any junior skater.
- He ranked tied for fourth in goals and tied for fifth in points among Fribourg-Gottéron defensemen while logging at least 10:00 of ice time in 36 of those 43 contests.
- Johnson also saw action in 12 playoff games, averaging 4:47 of ice time and tallying one assist to help Fribourg-Gottéron win its first NL title.
- **Alanko** spent most of last season with Jokerit's junior team in Finland's top under-20 league, recording 15 points (2g, 13a) and 99 penalty minutes in 30 games.
- He ranked second in assists and points among team defensemen, and his 99 penalty minutes were the third-most of any junior league skater.
- Alanko also made his professional debut with Jokerit and skated in 14 games in Mestis, Finland's second-highest division. He earned his first two professional points (1g, 1a) in his 11th appearance for the senior team, helping Jokerit to a 7-4 win over Kiekko-Pojat (Oct. 24).

UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

ALLITERATION STATION

- Defensemen **Matthew Morden** (2022: 5th Round, 131st Overall), **Ludvig Lafton** (2024: 6th Round, 190th Overall) and **Veeti Väisänen** (2024: 3rd Round, 96th Overall) added offense from the blue line last season.
- Morden** earned All-ECAC Third Team and All-Ivy Second Team honors after recording 20 points (4g, 16a) and a team-high +5 rating in 34 games during his junior season at Harvard.
- Morden tripled his sophomore point total (1-5-6 in 31 GP), tallying 13 points (3g, 10a) in conference games alone (22 GP). He found the scoresheet in three straight conference wins from Jan. 16-19 (2g, 3a), with his first collegiate shorthanded goal coming in a two-point effort (1g, 1a) against St. Lawrence (Jan. 16).
- He posted three multi-point performances against Ivy League opponents, including his first collegiate three-point game (3a) in a 5-3 win over Princeton (Feb. 27).
- Lafton** earned 35 points (2g, 33a) in 56 USHL games with Dubuque during his first season in North America, tying for the sixth-most assists of any USHL defenseman.
- He ranked second in assists and tied for second in power-play assists (18) among all Fighting Saints skaters, and he posted a season-long, five-game assist streak from March 21 to April 3 (6a).
- Väisänen** registered 23 points (6g, 17a) in 47 WHL games to help Medicine Hat (50-10-5-3) clinch a second consecutive Central Division title.
- His six goals marked a new WHL single-season high, and he notched his first career multi-goal effort (2g) to earn First Star honors in a 7-6 win over Calgary (Nov. 22).
- Väisänen added five points (1g, 4a) in 15 playoff games as the Tigers fell in the Eastern Conference Final.



CZECHING IN

- Defenseman **Max Pšenička** (2025: 2nd Round, 46th Overall) played his first full season in North America in 2025-26, while forward **Štěpán Hoch** (2025: 3rd Round, 78th Overall) established a new Extraliga high in games played.
- Pšenička** registered 30 points (8g, 22a) in 53 games during his second WHL season with Portland, helping the team clinch a playoff berth for the 15th consecutive year.
- He finished second in assists and tied for second in points among Winterhawks defensemen, posting six multi-point outings and a career-high four points (2g, 2a) in a 6-4 win at Kamloops (Oct. 4).
- Pšenička finished the season with Tucson, skating in two AHL games and recording an assist in his Roadrunners debut at San Diego (April 15).
- Hoch** played the entire campaign in Czechia and posted six points (2g, 4a) in 37 Extraliga games with HC Motor České Budějovice.
- He ranked tied for fifth in assists and sixth in points among all Extraliga skaters aged 19 or younger.
- Hoch also scored two goals in his three regular-season appearances for Motor's junior team and added three points (2g, 1a) in five junior league playoff games.



UTAH MAMMOTH DRAFTED PROSPECT NOTES

FLYING COLORS

Nine drafted prospects represented their home countries at major international tournaments in 2025-26:

- Forwards **Tij Iginla** (2024: 1st Round, 6th Overall), **Caleb Desnoyers** (2025: 1st Round, 4th Overall) and **Cole Beaudoin** (2024: 1st Round, 24th Overall) all won bronze medals with Team Canada at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship, played in Minneapolis and Saint Paul from Dec. 26 to Jan. 5.
- **Iginla** finished tied for third in goals (4), third in shots on goal (21) and fifth in points (8) among all Canadian skaters over seven contests at the tournament.
- Serving as an alternate captain, **Beaudoin** tallied three points (2g, 1a) in Canada's Group B finale against Finland and also lit the lamp in the team's quarterfinal win over Slovakia.
- Canada fell in the semifinals at World Juniors to Czechia, whose roster featured defenseman **Max Pšenička** (2025: 2nd Round, 46th Overall) and forward **Štěpán Hoch** (2025: 3rd Round, 78th Overall).
- **Pšenička** assisted in both matchups with Canada at the tournament and ranked tied for third in plus/minus (+6) among all World Juniors blueliners.
- Defensemen **Veeti Väisänen** (2024: 3rd Round, 96th Overall) and **Ludvig Johnson** (2025: 174th Overall) also represented Finland and Switzerland at World Juniors, respectively.
- Defensemen **Gregor Biber** (2024: 4th Round, 98th Overall) and **Ludvig Lafton** (2024: 6th Round, 190th Overall) also skated for Austria and Norway, respectively, at the 2026 IIHF Division 1A World Junior Championship in Bled, Slovenia, from Dec. 7-13.
- **Lafton** tallied nine points (1g, 8a) in five games to lead Norway to a gold medal and clinch promotion into next year's top-level event. He paced all tournament skaters in assists and plus/minus (+11) while recording the most points of any defenseman.
- **Biber** registered two assists in five games at the Division 1A World Juniors and also skated in all seven games for Austria at the 2026 IIHF World Championship, his second straight appearance at Worlds.

MANAGING ASSETS

Utah enters this year's draft with seven total picks, including six over the first five rounds. The Mammoth also hold all of their own picks in each of the next three drafts (2027-29), with 10 total selections in 2027.

BILL ARMSTRONG'S RECENT DRAFT HISTORY

2025

POS.	PLAYER	RD-OVR
F	Caleb Desnoyers	1-4
D	Max Pšenička	2-46
F	Štěpán Hoch	3-78
F	Yegor Borikov	4-110
G	Ivan Tkach-Tkachenko	5-142
D	Ludvig Johnson	6-174
D	Reko Alanko	6-182

2024

POS.	PLAYER	RD-OVR
F	Tij Iginla	1-6
F	Cole Beaudoin	1-24
D	Will Skahan	2-65
D	Tomas Lavoie	3-89
D	Veeti Väisänen	3-96
D	Gregor Biber	4-98
F	Gabe Smith	4-103
F	Owen Allard	5-135
D	Ales Cech	5-153
F	Vojtěch Hradec	6-167
D	Ludvig Lafton	6-190

2023

POS.	PLAYER	RD-OVR
D	Dmitri Simashev	1-6
LW	Daniil But	1-12
G	Michael Hrabal	2-38
C	Jonathan Castagna	3-70
LW	Noel Nordh	3-72
C	Tanner Ludtke	3-81
RW	Vadim Moroz	3-88
D	Terrell Goldsmith	4-102
G	Melker Thelin	5-134
D	Justin Kipkie	5-160
C	Samu Bau	6-162
G	Carsen Musser	6-166

2022

POS.	PLAYER	RD-OVR
C	Logan Cooley	1-3
C	Conor Geekie	1-11
D	Maveric Lamoureux	1-29
D	Artem Duda	2-36
LW	Julian Lutz	2-43
RW	Miko Matikka	3-67
D	Jeremy Langlois	3-94
D	Matthew Morden	5-131
D	Maksymilian Szuber	6-163
RW	Adam Zinka	7-204

2021

POS.	PLAYER	RD-OVR
RW	Dylan Guenther	1-9
RW	Josh Doan	2-37
LW	Ilya Fedotov	2-43
D	J.J. Moser	2-60
D	Emil Lilleberg	4-107
G	Rasmus Korhonen	4-122
C	Manix Landry	5-139
D	Cal Thomas	6-171
LW	Sam Lipkin	7-223

Bolded players have played NHL games.

LOOKING AHEAD

DRAFT CHOICES THROUGH 2029

2026: 1-19 (UTA), 3-83 (UTA), 3-96 (CAR), 4-115 (UTA), 5-130 (CHI), 5-147 (UTA), 7-211 (UTA)

2027: 1st (UTA), 2nd (UTA), 3rd (UTA), 3rd (TOR), 4th (UTA), 4th (EDM), 5th (UTA), 5th (TBL), 6th (UTA), 7th (UTA)

2028: 1st (UTA), 2nd (UTA), 3rd (UTA), 4th (UTA), 5th (UTA), 6th (UTA), 7th (UTA)

2029: 1st (UTA), 2nd (UTA), 3rd (UTA), 4th (UTA), 5th (UTA), 6th (UTA), 7th (UTA)

UTAH MAMMOTH BY DRAFT POSITION

FIRST ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
Logan Cooley (ARI)	2022 (3)	C	6-0	174	5/4/04	Pittsburgh, Pa.
*Barrett Hayton (ARI)	2018 (5)	C	6-1	207	6/9/00	Peterborough, Ont.
Dmitri Simashev (ARI)	2023 (6)	D	6-4	178	2/4/05	Kostroma, Russia
Clayton Keller (ARI)	2016 (7)	RW	5-10	178	7/29/98	Chesterfield, Mo.
Mikhail Sergachev (MTL)	2016 (9)	D	6-3	212	6/25/98	Nizhnekamsk, Russia
Dylan Guenther (ARI)	2021 (9)	RW	6-1	174	4/10/03	Edmonton, Alta.
Lawson Crouse (FLA)	2015 (11)	LW	6-4	215	6/23/97	Mt. Brydges, Ont.
Daniil But (ARI)	2023 (12)	LW	6-5	205	2/15/05	Yaroslavl, Russia
^Ian Cole (STL)	2007 (18)	D	6-1	237	2/21/89	Ann Arbor, Mich.
Nick Schmaltz (CHI)	2014 (20)	C	6-0	181	2/23/96	Madison, Wis.
^Kailer Yamamoto (EDM)	2017 (22)	RW	5-9	207	9/29/98	Spokane, Wash.
Maveric Lamoureux (ARI)	2022 (29)	D	6-6	178	1/13/04	Laval, Que.

SECOND ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
JJ Peterka (BUF)	2020 (34)	RW	6-0	183	1/14/02	Munich, Germany
^Vitek Vaněček (WSH)	2014 (39)	G	6-2	184	1/9/96	Havlíčkův Brod, Czechia
Sean Durzi (TOR)	2018 (52)	D	6-1	196	10/21/98	Mississauga, Ont.
^Kevin Stenlund (CBJ)	2015 (58)	C	6-3	213	9/20/96	Stockholm, Sweden

THIRD ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
Jack McBain (MIN)	2018 (63)	C	6-4	219	1/6/00	Toronto, Ont.

FIFTH ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
Karel Vejmelka (NSH)	2015 (145)	G	6-4	221	5/25/96	Trebič, Czechia
^Alexander Kerfoot (NJD)	2012 (150)	C	5-11	185	8/11/94	Vancouver, B.C.

SIXTH ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
John Marino (EDM)	2015 (154)	D	6-1	200	5/21/97	North Easton, Mass.

UTAH MAMMOTH BY DRAFT POSITION

SEVENTH ROUND

PLAYER (TEAM)	YEAR (PICK)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
MacKenzie Weegar (FLA)	2013 (206)	D	6-0	206	1/7/94	Ottawa, Ont.

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PLAYER (TEAM)	POS.	HT.	WT.	BIRTHDATE	BIRTHPLACE
Michael Carcone	LW	5-9	182	5/19/96	Ajax, Ont.
^Nick DeSimone	D	6-2	194	11/21/94	East Amherst, N.Y.
Liam O'Brien	C	6-1	215	7/29/94	Halifax, N.S.
^Kevin Rooney	C	6-2	190	5/21/93	Canton, Mass.
Nate Schmidt	D	6-0	197	7/16/91	St. Cloud, Minn.
Brandon Tanev	LW	6-0	189	12/31/91	Toronto, Ont.

^ Pending Unrestricted Free Agent

* Pending Restricted Free Agent

RECENT HISTORY OF THE 19TH OVERALL PICK

YEAR	PLAYER	TEAM	POS.	AMATEUR TEAM
2025	Justin Carbonneau	St. Louis Blues	RW	Blainville-Boisbriand (QMJHL)
2024	Trevor Connelly	Vegas Golden Knights	LW	Tri-City (USHL)
2023	Oliver Moore	Chicago Blackhawks	C	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)
2022	Liam Öhgren	Minnesota Wild	LW	Djurgården U20 (Sweden-Jr.)
2021	Fedor Svechkov	Nashville Predators	C	Togliatti (Russia-2)
2020	Braden Schneider	New York Rangers	D	Brandon (WHL)
2019	Lassi Thomson	Ottawa Senators	D	Kelowna (WHL)
2018	Jay O'Brien	Philadelphia Flyers	C	Thayer (High-MA)
2017	Josh Norris [#]	San Jose Sharks	C	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)
2016	Kieffer Bellows	New York Islanders	LW	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)
2015	Evgeny Svechnikov	Detroit Red Wings	LW	Cape Breton (QMJHL)
2014	Tony DeAngelo	Tampa Bay Lightning	D	Sarnia (OHL)
2013	Kerby Rychel	Columbus Blue Jackets	LW	Windsor (OHL)
2012	Andrei Vasilevskiy ⁺⁺	Tampa Bay Lightning	G	Ufa (Russia-2)
2011	Oscar Klefbom	Edmonton Oilers	D	Färjestad (Sweden)
2010	Nick Bjugstad	Florida Panthers	C	Blaine (High-MN)
2009	Chris Kreider [^]	New York Rangers	C	Andover (High-MA)
2008	Luca Sbisa	Philadelphia Flyers	D	Lethbridge (WHL)
2007	Logan MacMillan	Anaheim Ducks	C	Halifax (QMJHL)
2006	Mark Mitera	Anaheim Ducks	D	Michigan (NCAA)

There have been six skaters selected with the 19th overall pick to play at least 900 NHL games:

YEAR	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
2009	Chris Kreider (NYR) [^]	958	348	284	632	609
2003	Ryan Getzlaf (ANA) ⁺⁺	1157	282	737	1019	960
1998	Robyn Regehr (CGY) ⁺	1089	36	163	199	972
1992	Martin Straka (PIT) [^]	954	257	460	717	360
1990	Keith Tkachuk (PHX) [^]	1201	538	527	1065	2219
1971	Craig Ramsay (BUF) [^]	1070	252	420	672	201

There have been two goaltenders selected with the 19th overall pick to win the Vezina Trophy:

YEAR	PLAYER	GP	RECORD	GAA	SV%	SO
2012	Andrei Vasilevskiy (TBL) ⁺⁺	598	370-178-39	2.50	.917	42
1989	Olaf Kölzig (WSH) [^]	719	303-297-63-24	2.71	.906	35

^{*}Stanley Cup champion

[^]NHL All-Star Game selection

[#]NHL All-Rookie Team selection

CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS

2026 TOP 15 NORTH AMERICAN SKATERS

ACCORDING TO THE NHL'S CENTRAL SCOUTING REGISTRY

#	POS.	PLAYER	HT	WT	SH	2025-26 TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
1	LW	Gavin McKenna	5-11	170	L	Penn State (NCAA)	35	15	36	51	36
2	D	Chase Reid	6-2	195	R	Soo (OHL)	45	18	30	48	30
3	D	Carson Carels	6-2	198	L	Prince George (WHL)	58	20	53	73	66
4	D	Keaton Verhoeff	6-3	208	R	North Dakota (NCAA)	36	6	14	20	29
5	D	Daxon Rudolph	6-2	206	R	Prince Albert (WHL)	68	20	58	78	75
6	C	Caleb Malhotra	6-2	182	L	Brantford (OHL)	67	29	55	84	51
7	C	Tynan Lawrence	6-0	185	L	Boston University (NCAA)	18	2	5	7	2
8	RW	Nikita Klepov	6-0	180	L	Saginaw (OHL)	67	37	60	97	43
9	LW	Ethan Belchetz	6-5	228	L	Windsor (OHL)	57	34	25	59	45
10	C	Ilia Morozov	6-3	200	L	Miami-OH (NCAA)	36	8	12	20	27
11	LW	Oscar Hemming	6-3	193	L	Boston College (NCAA)	19	1	7	8	18
12	LW	J.P. Hurlbert	6-0	183	R	Kamloops (WHL)	68	42	55	97	45
13	LW	Wyatt Cullen	6-1	176	L	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)	34	12	22	34	37
14	LW	Adam Novotný	6-1	205	L	Peterborough (OHL)	58	34	31	65	22
15	C	Maddox Dagenais	6-4	196	L	Quebec (QMJHL)	62	30	32	62	31

2026 TOP 15 INTERNATIONAL SKATERS

ACCORDING TO THE NHL'S CENTRAL SCOUTING REGISTRY

#	POS.	PLAYER	HT	WT	SH	2025-26 TEAM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
1	LW	Ivar Stenberg	5-11	183	L	Frölunda (Sweden)	43	11	22	33	6
2	D	Alberts Šmits	6-3	205	L	Red Bull Munich (Germany)	5	0	1	1	2
3	C	Oliver Suvanto	6-3	207	L	Tappara (Finland)	48	2	9	11	16
4	C	Viggo Björck	5-9	177	R	Djurgården (Sweden)	42	6	9	15	12
5	RW	Elton Hermansson	6-1	181	R	MoDo (Sweden-2)	38	11	10	21	22
6	D	Juho Piiparinen	6-1	201	R	Tappara (Finland)	29	0	3	3	4
7	D	Malte Gustafsson	6-4	200	L	HV71 (Sweden)	27	0	3	3	4
8	LW	Marcus Nordmark	6-1	180	L	Djurgården U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	25	14	24	38	48
9	RW	Gleb Pugachyov	6-3	198	L	Nizhny Novgorod U20 (Russia-Jr.)	33	10	14	24	36
10	RW	Simas Ignatavičius	6-3	198	R	Genève-Servette (Switzerland)	52	7	6	13	43
11	C	Alexander Command	6-1	183	L	Örebro U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	30	17	27	44	61
12	D	William Hakansson	6-4	207	L	Luleå (Sweden)	22	0	2	2	8
13	D	Nikita Shcherbakov	6-3	187	L	Ufa U20 (Russia-Jr.)	15	0	10	10	6
14	D	Adam Goljer	6-3	194	R	Trenčín (Slovakia)	43	4	7	11	40
15	LW	Niklas Aaram-Olsen	6-1	183	L	Örebro U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	29	20	20	40	22

CENTRAL SCOUTING RANKINGS

2026 TOP 3 NORTH AMERICAN GOALTENDERS

ACCORDING TO THE NHL'S CENTRAL SCOUTING REGISTRY

#	PLAYER	HT	WT	Ct	2025-26 TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
1	Brady Knowling	6-5	202	L	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)	28	3.74	.880	0	1510
2	Michal Oršulák	6-4	225	R	Prince Albert (WHL)	36	2.22	.907	4	2139
3	Tobias Trejbal	6-4	190	R	Youngstown (USHL)	42	2.12	.916	3	2515

2026 TOP 3 INTERNATIONAL GOALTENDERS

ACCORDING TO THE NHL'S CENTRAL SCOUTING REGISTRY

#	PLAYER	HT	WT	Ct	2025-26 TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
1	Dmitri Borichev	6-2	194	L	Loko-76 Yaroslavl (Russia-Jr.)	24	2.25	.929	3	1333
2	Yegor Rybkin	6-7	207	R	Nizhny Novgorod U20 (Russia-Jr.)	11	2.57	.915	0	491
3	David Vermířovský	6-5	181	R	Pardubice U20 (Czechia-Jr.)	27	3.22	.904	0	1507

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

2026 TOP 15 NORTH AMERICAN SKATERS

GAVIN
McKENNA

#1 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 5'11" | **WT:** 170 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Dec. 20, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Whitehorse, Y.T.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranked fifth in the NCAA in scoring (15-36-51 in 35 GP), first in assists per game (1.03) and second in points per game (1.46) as a freshman at Penn State, winning NCAA and Big Ten Freshman of the Year
- Earned a league-high 129 points (41g, 88a) in 56 games during his final WHL campaign with Medicine Hat in 2024-25, leading the league in assists and plus/minus (+60) with a 40-game point streak
- At just 17 years, 5 months and 24 days old, became the third-youngest player to be named the CHL's David Branch Player of the Year, behind former #1 overall picks Sidney Crosby and John Tavares
- Led the Tigers to the WHL title with a team-high 38 points (9g, 29a) in 16 playoff games and later earned selection to the Memorial Cup First All-Star Team (3-3-6 in 4 GP)
- Previously received CHL and WHL Rookie of the Year honors with Medicine Hat in 2023-24
- Ranked second in points (4-10-14) among all skaters at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship
- Won gold at the 2024 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, recording 20 points (10g, 10a) and a tournament-high 10 goals that included a hat trick in the gold-medal game against Team USA
- Set to become the seventh player born in the Yukon Territory to be selected in the NHL Draft, and aims to become the fourth Yukon native to play an NHL game

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Erie Otters (OHL)	56	3	14	17	-2	16	6	0	3	3	+4	2
2024-25	Erie Otters (OHL) "A"	17	7	15	22	+21	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
2023-24	Erie Otters (OHL)	56	3	14	17	-2	16	6	0	3	3	+4	2
2024-25	Erie Otters (OHL) "A"	17	7	15	22	+21	8	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada Red)	7	5	3	8	--	0
2024	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	10	10	20	+9	0
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18) "A"	5	3	3	6	--	0
2025	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	1	0	1	-1	10
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	4	10	14	+7	14

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

CHASE
REID

#2 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6'2" | **WT:** 195 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Dec. 30, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Chesterfield, Mich.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 48 points (18g, 30a) in 45 OHL games while serving as an alternate captain during his second campaign with Soo, missing the final 17 games of the regular season due to injury
- Finished tied for second in points per game (1.07) and tied for fourth in power-play goals (8) among all OHL defensemen
- Added six points (3g, 3a) in 10 OHL playoff games, tying for the fifth-most postseason goals of any league blueliner
- Paced OHL rookies in assists (33) and led first-year defensemen in points (40) over 39 contests with the Greyhounds in 2024-25
- Skated for Team USA at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship, his first major international event
- Began his hockey career as a forward but transitioned to defense in Detroit's HoneyBaked AAA program

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Waterloo Black Hawks (USHL)	10	0	0	0	+1	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	Bismarck Bobcats (NAHL)	18	6	6	12	+5	12	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Soo Greyhounds (OHL)	39	7	33	40	+4	32	5	0	3	3	-1	2
2025-26	Soo Greyhounds (OHL) "A"	45	18	30	48	+27	30	10	3	3	6	+3	10

INTERNATIONAL STATS (UNITED STATES)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	2	2	4	+0	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

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CARELS**

#3 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6'2" | **WT:** 198 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Jun. 23, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Cypress River, Man.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned 73 points (20g, 53a) in 58 WHL games with Prince George in 2025-26, serving as an alternate captain in his third season with the team
- Ranked tied for fourth in points among all WHL defensemen and tied for the league's fourth-longest point streak last season, finding the scoresheet in 17 straight contests from 12/7/25-2/28/26
- Added 10 points (1g, 9a) in 10 playoff appearances, with four multi-point efforts
- Captained Team West at the 2026 WHL Prospects Game, assisting on all four of the team's goals
- Finished fifth in points (6-29-35) among WHL rookie blueliners in 2024-25
- Won bronze at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship and became the fifth-youngest defenseman to ever represent Team Canada at the tournament, behind Jay Bouwmeester, Chris Joseph, Matthew Schaefer and Scott Niedermayer
- Also won a gold medal at the 2025 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, with a +11 rating in seven games
- Works on his family farm in Cypress River, which has over 500 cows

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Prince George Cougars (WHL)	7	0	3	3	+3	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	Prince George Cougars (WHL)	60	6	29	35	+22	42	7	1	3	4	-1	6
2025-26	Prince George Cougars (WHL) "A"	58	20	53	73	+23	66	10	1	9	10	-1	4

INTERNATIONAL STATS [CANADA]

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada Red)	4	0	4	4	--	0
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	1	0	1	+11	4
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	4	0	1	1	+4	2
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	0	1	1	+3	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

KEATON
VERHOEFF

#4 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6’3” | **WT:** 208 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Jun. 19, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Fort Saskatchewan, Alta.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Led all draft-eligible NCAA defensemen with 20 points (6g, 14a) in 36 games last season, helping North Dakota reach the Frozen Four for the first time in a decade
- Paced rookie WHL defensemen in goals (21) and ranked third in points (45) during his only full campaign with Victoria in 2024-25
- Was coached by Hockey Hall of Famer Jarome Iginla at RINK Hockey Academy in Kelowna from 2022-24 and billeted with the Iginla family during that time
- Won gold medals with Team Canada at the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge and 2025 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, in addition to captaining his teams to bronze at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup and 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship
- Trains in the summers with Kirby Dach (2019: 1-3) and Colton Dach (2021: 2-62), his cousins and role models who were both drafted by the Blackhawks
- Began his hockey career as a goaltender before transitioning to defense at age 11

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Victoria Royals (WHL)	12	0	2	2	+0	2	4	0	0	0	-5	2
2024-25	Victoria Royals (WHL)	63	21	24	45	+23	14	11	1	9	10	+4	2
2025-26	North Dakota Fighting Hawks (NCAA)	36	6	14	20	+7	29	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada White)	5	1	4	5	--	2
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	1	4	5	+6	2
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18) “C”	5	1	3	4	+4	0
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	0	4	4	+4	0
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship “C”	5	0	4	4	+7	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

DAXON
RUDOLPH

#5 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6'2" | **WT:** 206 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Mar. 6, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Lacombe, Alta.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 78 points (28g, 50a) in 68 WHL games as an alternate captain for Prince Albert last season and added 27 points (9g, 18a) in 19 playoff contests as the Raiders fell to Everett in the league final
- Ranked third in scoring among WHL defensemen during the regular season and tied for the league lead in both assists and points during the playoffs
- Registered 41 points (7g, 34a) in 64 contests during his first season with Prince Albert in 2024-25, ranking fourth in scoring among rookie WHL blueliners
- Also led all first-year defensemen in postseason assists (11) and points (12)
- Won gold medals with Team Canada at the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge and 2025 Under-18 World Championship, in addition to taking bronze as an alternate captain at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Prince Albert Raiders (WHL)	64	7	34	41	+13	30	11	1	11	12	+3	2
2025-26	Prince Albert Raiders (WHL) "A"	68	28	50	78	+32	75	19	9	18	27	+9	25

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada White)	5	0	0	0	--	0
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	1	0	0	0	+0	0
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18) "A"	5	2	2	4	+5	0

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

CALEB
MALHOTRA

#6 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Center | HT: 6'2" | WT: 182 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Jun. 2, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Toronto, Ont.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 84 points (29g, 55a) in 67 games with Brantford during his first OHL season in 2025-26, finishing second in assists and points among OHL rookies
- Also ranked fourth in goals (13) and fifth in points (26) among all OHL skaters during the playoffs, leading league rookies in both categories
- Paced Chilliwack rookies with 26 points (8g, 18a) in 44 BCHL games in 2024-25
- Father, Manny, was selected seventh overall by the Rangers in the 1998 NHL Draft and registered 295 points (116g, 179a) in 991 games with NYR, DAL, CBJ, SJS, VAN, CAR and MTL over his 17-year NHL career
- Manny has served development and coaching roles with Vancouver and Toronto since 2016-17, most recently serving as head coach of the AHL's Abbotsford Canucks for two seasons and leading them to a Calder Cup championship in 2025
- Mom, Joann, is a former soccer star of the University of Victoria and the sister of Steve Nash
- Nash, Malhotra's uncle, is an NBA Hall of Famer and two-time league MVP (2004-05 and 2005-06) who played 18 seasons with the Suns, Mavericks and Lakers from 1996-2014

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/–	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/–	PIM
2024-25	Chilliwack Chiefs (BCHL)	44	8	18	26	--	23	21	5	12	17	--	13
2025-26	Brantford Bulldogs (OHL)	67	29	55	84	+33	51	15	13	13	26	+10	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

TYNAN
LAWRENCE

#7 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Center | **HT:** 6'0" | **WT:** 185 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Aug. 3, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Fredericton, N.B.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 17 points (10g, 7a) in 13 USHL games as Muskegon's captain at the start of the 2025-26 season, missing 18 of the team's first 20 contests due to a knee injury
- Moved to Boston University for the spring semester and registered seven points (2g, 5a) in 18 games
- Was the co-youngest men's hockey player in Division I, sharing a birthday with Miami's Ilia Morozov
- Posted 54 points (25g, 29a) in 56 games during his rookie campaign with Muskegon in 2024-25, ranking second in goals and third in points among all first-year USHL skaters
- Found the scoresheet in 18 of 20 games from 12/27/24-2/28/25, including a season-high, four-point performance (1g, 3a) against the U.S. NTDP
- Led the Lumberjacks to their first-ever Clark Cup championship in 2025, recording a league-high 18 points (8g, 10a) in 14 playoff games and receiving Clark Cup MVP honors
- Won gold with Team Canada White at the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge (3-3—6 in 5 GP)

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/ -	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/ -	PIM
2024-25	Muskegon Lumberjacks (USHL)	56	25	29	54	+23	49	14	8	10	18	+11	2
2025-26	Muskegon Lumberjacks (USHL) "C"	13	10	7	17	+5	6	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Boston University Terriers (NCAA)	18	2	5	7	-1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/ -	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada White)	5	3	3	6	--	2
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	1	2	3	+2	6
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	2	4	6	+3	0

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

NIKITA
KLEPOV

#8 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Right Wing | **HT:** 6'0" | **WT:** 180 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Jun. 27, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Deerfield Beach, Fla. (Russia)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Named 2025-26 OHL Rookie of the Year after leading the league with 97 points (37g, 60a) in 67 games for Saginaw
- Became the third player in OHL history to win Rookie of the Year and Top Scorer in the same season, alongside Patrick Kane (2006-07) and Jack Valiquette (1973-74)
- Surpassed Cole Perfetti's records for assists and points by a Spirit rookie (37-37-74 in 2018-19)
- Earned 31 points (12g, 19a) in 59 USHL games with Sioux City in 2024-25, tying for the sixth-most game-winning goals (3) of any USHL rookie
- Won a gold medal with Team USA at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, tallying six points (1g, 5a) in five tournament games to help snap a 22-year gold medal drought at the tournament
- Scored the clinching goal in the third round of the shootout to seal the semifinal win over Canada and netted the championship-winning, power-play goal in the gold medal game against Sweden
- Committed to play college hockey at Michigan State in 2026-27

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Sioux City Musketeers (USHL)	59	12	19	31	+5	20	5	1	1	2	+2	4
2025-26	Saginaw Spirit (OHL)	67	37	60	97	+9	43	4	1	4	5	+1	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (UNITED STATES)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	1	5	6	-2	0

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ETHAN
BELCHETZ

#9 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'5" | **WT:** 228 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Mar. 30, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Oakville, Ont.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Posted 59 points (34g, 25a) in 57 OHL games for Windsor, helping the team to a second-place finish in the Western Conference and the third-highest win total in any season in franchise history
- Led the Spitfires in game-winning goals (7) and finished second on the team in goals and power-play goals (10), notching seven multi-goal outings and his second career OHL hat trick (3g) against Erie (1/8)
- Named to the 2024-25 OHL Second All-Rookie Team after ranking 10th in scoring among all first-year players (17-21-38 in 56 GP)
- Tallied a career-high six points (4g, 2a) against Kitchener in just his third career OHL contest (9/25/24), becoming the first 16-year-old to score four goals for Windsor since Taylor Hall in 2007-08
- Drafted first overall by the Spitfires in the 2024 OHL Priority Selection
- Won a gold medal with Team Canada White at the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge and finished tied for fifth in tournament scoring en route to bronze at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup (4-3-7 in 5 GP)

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)	56	17	21	38	-3	48	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)	57	34	25	59	+19	45	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada White)	5	4	1	5	--	2
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	4	3	7	+5	0

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ILIA
MOROZOV

#10 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Center | **HT:** 6'3" | **WT:** 200 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Aug. 3, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Moscow, Russia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 20 points (8g, 12a) in 36 games during his freshman season at Miami University in 2025-26, ranking tied for second in scoring among all Division I skaters aged 17 or younger
- Posted back-to-back three-point games in his third and fourth collegiate contests, earning NCHC Forward of the Week honors
- Began last season as the youngest player in Division I, graduating from high school early after returning home to Russia the previous summer to finish his last remaining course
- Led Tri-City rookies in scoring during his lone USHL campaign in 2024-25 (11-11-22 in 59 GP)

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/ -	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/ -	PIM
2024-25	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)	56	17	21	38	-3	48	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Windsor Spitfires (OHL)	57	34	25	59	+19	45	--	--	--	--	--	--

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

OSCAR
HEMMING

#11 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'3" | **WT:** 193 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Aug. 13, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Vaasa, Finland

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Limited to only 19 games as a freshman at Boston College during his first season in North America in 2025-26, recording eight points (1g, 7a)
- Joined the Eagles in late December following a months-long contract dispute between his Finnish club, Kiekko-Espoo, and the OHL's Kitchener Rangers, who selected him in the 2025 CHL Import Draft
- Spent most of the 2024-25 campaign with Kiekko-Espoo's under-18 team, tallying 63 points (35g, 28a) in 31 games and tying for the league lead in scoring
- Tallied a team-high six points (4g, 2a) in five games with Finland at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup
- Brother, Emil, was selected 29th overall by DAL in the 2024 NHL Draft

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Kiekko-Espoo U20 (Finland-Jr.)	18	2	8	10	+5	8	13	3	6	9	+3	45
	Kiekko-Espoo U18 (Finland-U18)	31	35	28	63	--	24	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Boston College Eagles (NCAA)	19	1	7	8	+0	18	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (FINLAND)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	4	2	6	+1	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

J.P.
HURLBERT

#12 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'0" | **WT:** 183 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Aug. 11, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Allen, Texas

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Named WHL Rookie of the Year after ranking fourth in the league with 97 points (42g, 55a) in 68 games during his first season with Kamloops
- Led all first-year skaters in both goals and points, with three hat tricks and six four-point outings
- Named the WHL Player of the Month for September/October, after opening the campaign with 28 points (11g, 17a) in 15 contests
- Spent the 2024-25 season with the U.S. National Team Development Program, recording 31 points (16g, 15a) in 34 USHL games for the under-20 squad
- Committed to play college hockey at Michigan in 2026-27

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	U.S. NTDP U20 (USHL)	34	16	15	31	-21	38	--	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U17 (USDP)	56	19	18	37	--	46	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Kamloops Blazers (WHL) "A"	68	42	55	97	+13	45	4	1	2	3	-6	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (UNITED STATES)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	5	0	3	3	--	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

**WYATT
CULLEN**

#13 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'1" | **WT:** 176 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Sept. 8, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Moorhead, Minn.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 45 points (16g, 29a) in 40 games with the U.S. National Team Development Program's under-18 team last season, ranking sixth on the team in scoring
- Has also totaled 33 points (9g, 24a) in 48 USHL games with the U.S. NTDP's junior team since 2024-25
- Named to the tournament All-Star Team at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, after recording nine points (3g, 6a) in five games
- Committed to play college hockey at Minnesota in 2027-28, alongside his older brother, Brooks
- Among the youngest players in this year's draft class, born just one week before the Sept. 15 cutoff
- Identified as the #23 North American skater in the Central Scouting midterm player rankings, with his 10-spot improvement marking the largest late rise by any top-15 North American or International skater
- Looks to continue the NHL bloodline from his great-great uncles Brian (326 GP with TOR/NYR) and Ray (313 GP with NYR/DET/MNS/VAN), great-uncle John (621 GP with PIT/HFD/TOR/TOR/TBL), great-grandfather Barry (219 GP with TOR/DET) and father Matt
- Would also become the third member of the Cullen family to be selected in the NHL Draft, alongside father Matt (1996: ANA, 2-35) and uncle Joe (2000: EDM, 7-211)
- Father, Matt, won three Stanley Cups and totaled 731 points (266g, 465a) over 1,516 games during his 21-year NHL career with ANA, FLA, CAR, NYR, OTT, MIN, NSH and PIT

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	U.S. NTDP U20 (USHL)	33	3	14	17	-22	12	--	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U17 (USDP)	55	6	25	31	--	14	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	U.S. NTDP U20 (USHL)	15	6	10	16	+3	25	--	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)	40	16	29	45	+7	43	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (UNITED STATES)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	5	0	1	1	--	0
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	3	6	9	+3	6

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ADAM
NOVOTNÝ

#14 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'1" | **WT:** 205 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Nov. 13, 2007
BIRTHPLACE: Hradec Králové, Czechia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- During his first season in North America, tallied 65 points (34g, 31a) in 58 OHL games with Peterborough and earned selection by OHL general managers as a finalist for the league's Most Sportsmanlike Player
- Led the Petes in goals and points, with six multi-goal games and 17 multi-point outings
- Named Team East Player of the Game at the 2026 Connor McDavid OHL Top Prospects Game, after scoring two of the team's three goals
- Totaled four points (2g, 2a) in 51 career Czech Extraliga games with Mountfield HK over the previous two seasons
- Represented Czechia at each of the last two IIHF World Junior Championships, winning bronze in 2025 and silver in 2026
- Also won a silver medal at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, posting five points (2g, 3a) in five games

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS (RELEGATION)					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Mountfield HK (Czechia)	10	1	0	1	+0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Mountfield HK U20 (Czech-Jr.)	48	32	27	59	+18	30	3	0	1	1	-1	0
	Mountfield HK U17 (Czech-U17)	3	3	6	9	+6	2	2	0	1	1	-3	0
2024-25	Mountfield HK (Czechia)	41	1	2	3	-8	14	10	2	0	2	-3	2
	Mountfield HK U20 (Czech-Jr.)	1	0	0	0	+0	0	7	8	3	11	+3	4
2025-26	Peterborough Petes (OHL)	58	34	31	65	-2	22	6	0	1	1	-7	0

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CZECHIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023	World U17 Hockey Challenge	7	1	2	3	--	0
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	2	3	5	--	2
2025	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	1	0	1	+1	2
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	2	4	6	-1	0
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	0	3	3	-2	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

MADDOX
DAGENAIS

#15 NORTH AMERICAN SKATER

POSITION: Center | **HT:** 6'4" | **WT:** 196 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Mar. 27, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Montréal, Que.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Recorded 62 points (30g, 32a) in 62 QMJHL games with Québec last season and ranked fourth in shots on goal among all league skaters (273)
- Finished second in scoring among Remparts skaters and tied for first in power-play goals (10) and power-play points (25)
- Also tied for the team lead in goals (3) and points (6) over 11 QMJHL playoff contests
- Has totaled 88 points (42g, 46a) in 105 career QMJHL games over the last two seasons
- Previously selected first overall by Québec in the 2024 QMJHL Draft, as were Mammoth prospects Caleb Desnoyers (Moncton, 2023) and Tomas Lavoie (Cape Breton, 2022)
- Father, Pierre, was drafted twice by NJD, first in the second round (47th overall) in 1996 and again in the fourth round (105th overall) in 1998
- Pierre earned 58 points (35g, 23a) in 142 NHL games with NJD, FLA and MTL as part of a 14-year professional career, and also played four AHL contests for the Utah Grizzlies in 2001-02

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Québec Remparts (QMJHL)	43	12	14	26	-22	10	4	0	0	0	+0	0
2025-26	Québec Remparts (QMJHL)	62	30	32	62	+0	31	11	3	3	6	-4	4

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CANADA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge (Canada Red)	4	0	1	1	--	0
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	1	1	2	+5	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

2026 TOP 3 NORTH AMERICAN GOALTENDERS

BRADY
KNOWLING

#1 NORTH AMERICAN GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | HT: 6'5" | WT: 202 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Mar. 9, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Toronto, Ont. (United States)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned a 15-12-1 record, 3.56 goals-against average and .880 save percentage in 33 appearances for the U.S. National Team Development Program's under-18 squad in 2025-26
- Improved his previous total by 13 wins, after posting a 2-8-1 record at the under-17 level in 2024-25
- Backstopped Team USA to a gold medal at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, registering a 4-0-0 record, 2.35 goals-against average and .914 save percentage in four tournament appearances
- Also represented the United States at the IIHF World Junior Championship and IIHF Under-18 World Championship in 2026
- Committed to play college hockey at Boston University in 2027-28

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2024-25	U.S. NTDP U20 (USHL)	13	6.83	.813	0	571	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U17 (USDP)	12	6.22	.829	0	685	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	U.S. NTDP U20 (USHL)	15	3.33	.886	0	865	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U18 (USDP)	33	3.56	.880	0	1751	--	--	--	--	--
	U.S. NTDP U17 (USDP)	1	2.01	.946	0	60	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (UNITED STATES)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	4	2.35	.914	0	--
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	1	7.50	.821	0	40
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	3	2.32	.887	0	181

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

MICHAL
ORŠULÁK

#2 NORTH AMERICAN GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | **HT:** 6'4" | **WT:** 225 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Aug. 26, 2007
BIRTHPLACE: Tremosna, Czechia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Posted a 28-4-4 record over 36 WHL appearances as a rookie with Prince Albert last season, leading the league in goals-against average (2.22) and pacing WHL rookies in wins
- Also earned a 13-6-1 record, 2.80 goals-against average and .895 save percentage in 20 playoff contests as Prince Albert fell to Everett in the WHL Championship Series
- Made 41 total Czech junior league appearances for HC Energie Karlovy Vary from 2023-25, totaling a 20-21-0 record, 3.05 goals-against average, .907 save percentage and three shutouts
- Won silver medals with Czechia at the 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup and 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship, earning a 3-2-0 record at World Juniors

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2023-24	HC Energie Karlovy Vary U20 (Czech-Jr.)	7	2.21	0.931	1	435	--	--	--	--	--
	HC Energie Karlovy Vary U17 (Czech-U17)	16	2.04	0.927	2	969	9	2.80	.921	1	428
2024-25	HC Energie Karlovy Vary U20 (Czech-Jr.)	34	3.23	0.902	2	2004	4	2.93	.917	0	205
2025-26	Prince Albert Raiders (WHL)	36	2.22	0.907	4	2139	15	2.32	.898	3	905

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CZECHIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2023	World U17 Hockey Challenge	1	11.80	.769	0	30
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	1	3.00	.864	0	--
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	3.79	.843	--	127
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	3.19	.874	0	301

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

TOBIAS
TREJBAL

#3 NORTH AMERICAN GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | **HT:** 6'4" | **WT:** 190 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Nov. 9, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Most, Czechia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Posted a 30-9-3-0 record, 2.12 goals-against average, .916 save percentage and three shutouts in 42 appearances for Youngstown last season, earning USHL Goalie of the Year, USHL All-Rookie First Team and All-USHL First Team honors
- Led all league netminders in goals-against average and ranked second in both wins and save percentage
- Added a 1-2-1 record and 1.66 goals-against average in four playoff starts, allowing two or fewer goals in each of those contests
- Ranked first in shutouts (7) and fifth in save percentage (.930) among Czech junior league goaltenders in 2024-25 and also made his Extraliga debut for HC Litvínov
- Committed to play college hockey at UMass in 2027-28

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2024-25	HC Litvínov (Czechia)	1	3.53	.800	0	17	--	--	--	--	--
	HC Litvínov U20 (Czech-Jr.)	38	2.33	.930	7	2239	4	2.63	0.92	0	251
2025-26	Youngstown Phantoms (USHL)	42	2.12	.916	3	2515	4	1.66	0.896	0	254

INTERNATIONAL STATS (CZECHIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	1	3.85	.862	0	62

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

2026 TOP 15 INTERNATIONAL SKATERS

IVAR
STENBERG

#1 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 5'11" | **WT:** 183 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Sept. 30, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Stenungsund, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned 33 points (11g, 22a) in 43 games for Frölunda HC last season, leading all Swedish Hockey League teenagers in scoring and helping the team win its fifth Champions Hockey League championship
- Posted the fifth-highest single-season point total by any player aged 18 or younger in SHL history, trailing only Daniel Sedin, Markus Naslund, Tomas Sandstrom and Henrik Sedin
- Registered 53 points (26g, 27a) in 27 games with Frölunda’s junior team in 2024-25, leading the league in points per game (1.96, min. 3 GP)
- Also made his Swedish Hockey League debut that season and tied for the third-most SHL playoff points by any teenager (3-3-6 in 12 GP)
- Won a gold medal with Sweden at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship and tied for the fifth-most points of any skater at the tournament (4-6-10 in 7 GP)
- Also took silver medals at the 2025 Under-18 World Championship and 2024 World Junior A Challenge, where he led the tournament in goals (7) and points (11)
- Brother, Otto, was selected 25th overall by STL in the 2023 NHL Draft and tallied 10 points (3g, 7a) in 32 games with the Blues during his first NHL season in 2025-26

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Frölunda HC U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	9	3	5	8	+2	4	6	0	2	2	+3	0
	Frölunda HC U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	18	5	27	32	+16	6	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Frölunda HC U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	13	18	12	30	+17	10	5	5	8	13	+4	8
2024-25	Frölunda HC (Sweden)	25	1	2	3	-14	4	12	3	3	6	+0	2
	Frölunda HC U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	27	26	27	53	+27	36	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Frölunda HC U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	3	1	7	8	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Frölunda HC U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	1	1	5	6	+3	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Frölunda HC (Sweden)	43	11	22	33	+10	6	6	0	4	4	-3	4

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	7	7	3	10	--	2
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	4	6	10	--	4
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	8	5	13	+0	4
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship	7	4	6	10	+5	6

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ALBERTS
ŠMITS

#2 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6'3" | **WT:** 205 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Dec. 2, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Valmeira, Latvia.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 13 points (6g, 7a) in 38 Liiga games for Jukurit last season, finishing second in points among all players aged 18 or younger in Finland's highest professional league
- Also ranked third in scoring among teenage defensemen, behind former NHL draft picks Aron Kiviharju (MIN, 2024) and Daniel Nieminen (NSH, 2025)
- Loaned to EHC Red Bull Munich for the end of the 2025-26 season and earned six points (2g, 4a) in 10 DEL postseason appearances
- Tallied two assists in four games for Latvia at the 2026 Winter Olympics in Milan, where he was the youngest men's hockey player at the tournament
- Also served as an alternate captain at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship and recorded five points (1g, 4a) in five games
- Looking to surpass Zemgus Girgensons (14th overall by BUF in 2012) as the highest drafted Latvian player in NHL history, after moving away from his family to pursue hockey in Finland at age 13

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS (RELEGATION)					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Karhu-Kissat U20 (Finland-Jr.)	7	2	5	7	--	12	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Karhu-Kissat U20 (Finland-Jr. 2)	25	5	5	10	--	44	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Karhu-Kissat U18 (Finland-U18 2)	13	9	9	18	--	48	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	Jukurit (Finland)	9	1	1	2	-3	4	5	0	0	0	+1	4
	Jukurit (Finland-Jr.)	21	4	5	9	-9	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Jukurit U18 (Finland-U18)	20	10	10	20	--	50	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Jukurit U18 (Finland-U18 2)	--	--	--	--	--	--	4	0	0	0	--	4
2025-26	Jukurit (Finland)	38	6	7	13	-3	20	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Jukurit U20 (Finland-Jr.)	5	6	4	10	+4	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
	EHC Red Bull Munich (Germany)	5	0	1	1	+0	2	11	2	4	6	+2	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (LATVIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	1	2	3	-5	2
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship "A"	5	1	4	5	-6	2
2026	Winter Olympic Games	4	0	2	2	-2	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

OLIVER
SUVANTO

#3 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Center | HT: 6’3” | WT: 207 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Sept. 3, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Turku, Finland

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 11 points (2g, 9a) in 48 Liiga games with Tappara last season, posting the most points by any player aged 17 or younger in Finland’s top professional league
- Spent the 2024-25 season with Tappara’s under-18 team, recording 42 points (11g, 31a) in 42 games and earning the league’s Best Forward honor as a 16-year-old
- Added 11 points (4g, 7a) in 13 playoff games to lead Tappara to an under-18 league championship
- Served as an alternate captain for Finland at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup and tallied four points (2g, 2a) in five games at the tournament
- Among the youngest players in this year’s draft class, born just 12 days before the Sept. 15 cutoff

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Tappara U18 (Finland-U18)	42	11	31	42	--	24	13	4	7	11	--	16
2025-26	Tappara (Finland)	48	2	9	11	+3	16	1	0	0	0	+0	0
	Tappara U20 (Finland-Jr.)	3	3	0	3	+3	0	14	0	5	5	-4	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (FINLAND)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	0	2	2	--	0
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18) “A”	5	2	2	4	+1	0
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	2	0	2	+2	0
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	1	2	3	-2	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

VIGGO
BJÖRCK

#4 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Center | HT: 5'9" | WT: 177 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Mar. 12, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Stockholm, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his Swedish Hockey League debut with Djurgårdens IF last season, leading all players aged 17 or younger with 15 points (6g, 9a) in 42 games and ranking seventh in scoring among SHL teenagers
- Registered 74 points (27g, 47a) in 42 games with Djurgården’s under-20 team in 2024-25, setting Finnish junior league records for assists and points
- Led Djurgården’s junior team to a league championship, ranking second in postseason scoring with 15 points (4g, 11a) in nine appearances
- Also lit the lamp in his HockeyAllsvenskan debut in 2024-25 and was the only 16-year-old to score in Sweden’s second division that season
- Won a gold medal at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship and tied for the second-most points of any Swedish skater at the tournament (3-6-9 in 7 GP)
- Also has a silver medal from the 2025 IIHF Under-18 World Championship and bronze medals from both the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge and 2024 Hlinka Gretzky Cup
- Brother, Wilson, was selected by VAN in the fifth round (143rd overall) of the 2025 NHL Draft, and the two were linemates with Djurgården’s junior team in 2024-25

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Djurgårdens IF (Sweden-2)	1	1	0	1	+0	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Djurgårdens IF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	42	27	47	74	+38	41	9	4	11	15	+11	2
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	2	1	2	3	+3	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	4	1	5	6	+4	0	8	4	15	19	+4	6
2025-26	Djurgårdens IF (Sweden)	42	6	9	15	+5	12	3	1	2	3	+0	0
	Djurgårdens IF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	4	1	4	5	+1	25	9	8	12	20	+10	2

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	0	2	2	--	4
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	0	5	5	--	0
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	4	4	8	+5	6
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	3	6	9	+5	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ELTON
HERMANSSON

#5 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Right Wing | HT: 6'1" | WT: 181 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Feb. 5, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Örnsköldsvik, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Tallied 21 points (11g, 10a) in 38 HockeyAllsvenskan games for MoDo during his first professional season in 2025-26, finishing with the most points of any 17-year-old in Sweden's second division and the fifth-most points of any teenager
- Added nine points (3g, 6a) in 13 games for MoDo's junior team and has totaled 45 points (20g, 25a) in 54 junior league games over the past two seasons
- Ranked third in goals (17) and fourth in points (36) among 16-year-olds in the Swedish junior league with Örebro HK in 2024-25 (45 GP)
- Helped Sweden to silver medal at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, finishing with the second-most goals (6) and tied for the second-most points (11) of any tournament skater

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Örebro HK U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	41	17	19	36	-3	24	4	0	1	1	+0	4
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	2	1	2	3	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	1	0	1	1	-3	2	2	1	4	5	+0	4
2025-26	MoDo Hockey (Sweden-2)	38	11	10	21	+9	22	13	1	0	1	-1	2
	MoDo Hockey U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	13	3	6	9	-2	14	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	5	1	6	--	2
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	6	5	11	+5	2
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	4	8	12	+5	6

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

JUHO
PIIPARINEN

#6 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | HT: 6'1" | WT: 201 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Aug. 10, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Lahti, Finland

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his Liiga debut with Tappara in 2025-26 and recorded three assists in 29 games for the eventual league champions, with his first two helpers coming in a 4-0 win over Lukko (10/4)
- Has totaled 30 points (3g, 27a) in 59 Finnish junior league games with Pelicans (2023-24) and Tappara (2024-26) over the past three seasons, adding seven points (2g, 5a) in 21 playoff appearances
- Set junior league highs in goals (2), assists (14) and points (16) over 40 contests with Tappara's under-20 squad in 2024-25
- Registered 12 points (3g, 9a) in nine playoff games for Tappara's under-18 team in 2025, helping them capture the league title
- Captained Finland at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship after serving as an alternate captain for the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup
- Father, Jarkko, was selected by NJD in the 11th round (212th overall) of the 1984 NHL Draft

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Pelicans U20 (Finland-Jr.)	4	0	1	1	-7	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Pelicans U18 (Finland-U18)	26	2	14	16	--	12	3	2	0	2	--	0
	Pelicans U16 (Finland-U16)	2	2	4	6	--	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	Tappara U20 (Finland-Jr.)	40	2	14	16	+4	24	7	2	3	5	+3	2
	Tappara U18 (Finland-U18)	--	--	--	--	--	--	9	3	9	12	--	10
2025-26	Tappara (Finland)	29	0	3	3	+6	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Pyry Hockey (Finland-2)	3	0	1	1	+2	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Tappara U20 (Finland-Jr.)	15	1	12	13	+9	6	14	0	2	2	+3	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	0	1	1	--	4
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	1	1	2	+6	0
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18) "A"	5	0	3	3	+4	0
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship	4	0	1	1	+6	0
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship "C"	5	0	0	0	-5	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

MALTE
GUSTAFSSON

#7 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | HT: 6'4" | WT: 200 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Jun. 11, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Väckelsång, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his Swedish Hockey League debut with HV71 last season and tallied three assists in 27 games, trailing only fellow draft-eligible prospect Viggo Björck for the most SHL points of any 17-year-old
- Logged a season-high 21:37 of ice time and posted his first career SHL point at Örebro HK (12/26)
- Also set new junior league highs in goals (4), assists (8) and points (12) in 2025-26, over just 19 contests with HV71's under-20 squad
- Has totaled 20 points (6g, 14a) over his two seasons with the junior team and finished with the second-most points of any junior league defenseman aged 17 or younger in 2024-25 (2-6-8 in 36 GP)
- Served as an alternate captain for Sweden at the 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup and 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, helping lead his teams to silver and gold, respectively
- Brother, Viggo, was selected by NSH in the third round (77th overall) of the 2024 NHL Draft

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS (RELEGATION)					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	HV71 U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	36	2	6	8	-6	28	1	0	0	0	+0	0
	HV71 U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	8	2	3	5	--	10	--	--	--	--	--	--
	HV71 U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	3	0	2	2	+1	2	1	1	1	2	-2	0
2025-26	HV71 (Sweden)	27	0	3	3	-8	4	4	0	0	0	-1	2
	HV71 U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	19	4	8	12	-18	16	3	2	0	2	3	27
	HV71 U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	3	0	3	3	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	HV71 U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	1	0	0	0	+0	29	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	1	1	2	--	6
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup "A"	5	2	4	6	+3	8
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship "A"	6	1	4	5	+7	6

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

MARCUS
NORDMARK

#8 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | HT: 6'1" | WT: 180 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: May 4, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Stockholm, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Led Djurgårdens IF's junior team in scoring both during the regular season (14-24-38 in 25 GP) and playoffs (6-17-23 in 11 GP) in 2025-26, helping the team to its second consecutive league championship
- Also made his Swedish Hockey League debut with Djurgårdens IF and was one of just three 17-year-olds to record a point in the SHL last season (1a in 8 GP)
- Earned 19 points (11g, 8a) in 11 regular-season games and added 10 points (5g, 5a) in six playoff contests for Djurgården's under-18 team in 2024-25, as the team swept the under-18 and under-20 titles that year
- Helped Sweden win gold at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship and 2025 Hlinka Gretzky Cup, where he led all skaters in goals (7) and points (12) over five games
- Named to the tournament All-Star Team at the 2024 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge after pacing all skaters with two points per game (5-3-8 in 4 GP)
- Father, Robert, was twice selected in the NHL Draft, first by DET in the 10th round (191st overall) in 1981 and again by STL in the third round (59th overall) in 1987
- Robert registered 83 points (13g, 70a) in 236 NHL games with STL and VAN from 1987-91 and later spent 11 seasons in scouting roles for the Coyotes, Oilers and Maple Leafs (2008-19)

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Djurgårdens IF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	17	9	9	18	+17	10	5	3	1	4	+3	6
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	16	11	16	27	+29	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	11	11	8	19	+16	14	6	5	5	10	+4	6
2025-26	Djurgårdens IF (Sweden)	8	0	1	1	-1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Djurgårdens IF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	25	14	24	38	+24	48	11	6	17	23	+11	10
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	2	0	0	0	-1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Djurgårdens IF U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	1	1	1	2	-1	2	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	World U17 Hockey Challenge	4	5	3	8	--	2
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	5	7	5	12	+8	2
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	6	3	1	4	+1	28

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

GLEB
PUGACHYOV

#9 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Right Wing | **HT:** 6’3” | **WT:** 198 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Mar. 25, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Almaty, Kazakhstan (Russia)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his KHL debut with Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod last season, tallying three points (2g, 1a) in 13 games
- Scored his first two career KHL goals in back-to-back games against Lokomotiv (1/14) and Spartak (1/17), with both tallies standing as game-winning goals
- Registered 24 points (10g, 14a) in 33 MHL games with Chaika Nizhny Novgorod, finishing fifth on the team in scoring and earning selection to the MHL All-Star Game despite missing 25 junior league contests
- Has totaled 41 points (15g, 26a) in 75 regular-season games and added 20 points (8g, 12a) in 30 playoff appearances over his two junior league campaigns
- Ranked second in postseason scoring among junior league players aged 16 or younger in 2025, earning 11 points (5g, 6a) in 14 contests

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Chaika Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-Jr.)	42	5	12	17	+9	84	14	5	6	11	+5	8
	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-U18)	6	5	4	9	+6	8	2	3	0	3	+4	0
2025-26	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod (KHL)	13	2	1	3	+7	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Torpedo-Gorky Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-2)	15	1	4	5	+0	11	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Chaika Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-Jr.)	33	10	14	24	+2	36	16	3	6	9	+1	23

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

SIMAS
IGNATAVIČIUS

#10 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Right Wing | HT: 6’3” | WT: 198 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Oct. 22, 2007
BIRTHPLACE: Memphis, Tenn. (Lithuania)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his National League debut with Genève-Servette in 2025-26, registering 13 points (7g, 6a) in 52 regular-season games and adding three points (2g, 1a) in 11 playoff appearances as an 18-year-old
- Finished with the most points by any NL skater aged 18 or younger during the regular season
- Totaled 79 points (38g, 41a) in 84 games with Genève’s junior team over the past four seasons, tying for the most goals (23) and points (50) of any junior league skater over 45 contests in 2024-25
- Earned Best Forward honors at the 2025 IIHF Division 2A World Junior Championship after leading all skaters in goals (8) and points (14) and leading Lithuania to a gold medal as an alternate captain
- Also won gold at the 2023 IIHF Division 2A Under-18 World Championship and earned promotion to the Division 1B tournament, where Lithuania took silver in each of the next two years

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS (RELEGATION)					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Genève Future Hockey U17 (Swiss-U17)	2	2	0	2	--	27	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Genève Future Hockey U20 (Swiss-Jr.)	33	10	10	20	--	20	8	3	1	4	--	2
2024-25	Genève Future Hockey U20 (Swiss-Jr.)	45	23	27	50	--	34	7	3	4	7	--	6
	EHC Visp (Swiss-2)	3	0	0	0	-2	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Genève-Servette (Switzerland)	52	7	6	13	+7	43	11	2	1	3	+4	0
	HC Thurgau (Swiss-2)	8	7	4	11	-2	8	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Genève Future Hockey U21 (Swiss-Jr.)	4	4	3	7	--	6	2	0	1	1	--	4

INTERNATIONAL STATS (LITHUANIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2022	IIHF U18 World Championship – Division 2A	5	3	2	5	+0	4
2023	IIHF U18 World Championship – Division 2A	5	2	2	4	+4	2
2024	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20) – Division 2A	5	0	4	4	+2	0
2024	IIHF U18 World Championship – Division 1B “A”	5	4	2	6	+4	31
2025	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20) – Division 2A “A”	5	8	6	14	+13	4
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship – Division 1B	5	1	4	5	+3	6

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ALEXANDER
COMMAND

#11 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Center | HT: 6'1" | WT: 183 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Jun. 16, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Danderyd, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made his Swedish Hockey League debut last season, appearing in six games for Örebro HK
- Spent most of the season with Örebro's junior team, tallying 44 points (17g, 27a) in 30 regular-season games and adding 13 points (5g, 8a) in 14 playoff contests
- Finished tied for seventh in scoring among all junior league skaters during the regular season
- Has totaled 52 points (22g, 30a) in 37 games at the under-20 level since 2024-25
- Recorded seven points (3g, 4a) in seven games at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, tied for the sixth-most points of any tournament skater, to lead Sweden to a gold medal
- Also posted five points (3g, 2a) in five games at the 2025 World Junior A Hockey Challenge, winning a bronze medal and earning selection to the tournament All-Star Team

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Örebro HK U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	7	5	3	8	+9	2	1	0	1	1	+0	0
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	9	14	9	23	--	10	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	17	16	17	33	+24	12	4	5	1	6	+0	0
2025-26	Örebro HK (Sweden)	6	0	0	0	+0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Örebro HK U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	30	17	27	44	+10	61	14	5	8	13	-1	12
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden U18 Region)	1	1	0	1	--	4	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	3	4	7	+4	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

**WILLIAM
HÅKANSSON**

#12 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | **HT:** 6'4" | **WT:** 207 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Oct. 8, 2007 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Solna, Sweden

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Skated in a career-high 22 Swedish Hockey League games with Luleå HF in 2025-26 and tallied two assists, including his first career SHL point at Frolunda HC (9/20)
- Totaled 31 points (7g, 24a) in 75 games with Luleå's junior team over the last three seasons
- Set junior league highs in games played (42), goals (7), assists (15) and points (22) in 2024-25
- Registered two assists in seven games at the 2026 IIHF World Junior Championship to help Sweden win gold for the first time since 2012

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
		GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	Luleå HF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	26	0	5	5	+1	14	4	0	0	0	+0	25
	Luleå HF U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	16	2	7	9	--	70	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Luleå HF U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	12	1	11	12	+7	10	2	0	1	1	-2	24
2024-25	Luleå HF (Sweden)	3	0	0	0	-1	0	1	0	0	0	+0	0
	Luleå HF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	42	7	15	22	+2	82	3	0	0	0	-2	2
	Luleå HF U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	1	0	1	1	--	2	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Luleå HF U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	--	--	--	--	--	--	8	1	2	3	+2	4
2025-26	Luleå HF (Sweden)	22	0	2	2	+1	8	9	0	0	0	+0	0
	Almtuna IS (Sweden-2)	16	2	2	4	+4	39	2	0	2	2	+1	4
	Luleå HF U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	6	0	4	4	-1	36	5	1	3	4	+1	6

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SWEDEN)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023	World U17 Hockey Challenge	7	0	0	0	--	2
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	7	0	2	2	+3	4

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

NIKITA
SHCHERBAKOV

#13 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | HT: 6'3" | WT: 187 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Oct. 23, 2007
BIRTHPLACE: Chelyabinsk, Russia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Played most of last season with Toros Neftekamsk in the VHL, Russia's second-highest professional league, and recorded 10 points (4g, 6a) in 35 contests
- Scored his first professional hat trick (3g), including the overtime winner, against Bars Kazan (2/5), becoming the youngest defenseman in VHL history to accomplish the feat (18)
- Also skated in seven KHL games in September, making his debut at Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod (9/6)
- Totaled 18 points (1g, 17a) in 55 MHL games with Tolpar Ufa over the last two junior league seasons

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Tolpar Ufa (Russia-Jr.)	40	1	7	8	+2	8	2	0	0	0	-3	0
	Salavat Yulaev Ufa U18 (Russia-U18)	2	0	1	1	-4	2	9	1	3	4	+1	10
	Salavat Yulaev Ufa (KHL)	7	0	0	0	-3	4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Toros Neftekamsk (Russia-2)	35	4	6	10	-3	24	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Tolpar Ufa (Russia-Jr.)	15	0	10	10	+4	6	--	--	--	--	--	--

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

ADAM
GOLJER

#14 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Defenseman | HT: 6'3" | WT: 194 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Jun. 7, 2008 | BIRTHPLACE: Trenčín, Slovakia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Played his first full professional season with HK Dukla Trenčín of the Slovak Extraliga, tallying 11 points (4g, 7a) in 43 games
- Totaled 21 points (4g, 17a) in 47 games with Dukla Trenčín's junior team since 2022-23
- Captained Slovakia to a silver medal at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship, earning Best Defenseman honors after finishing tied for third in points (2-3-5) among tournament blueliners

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS (RELEGATION)					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2023-24	HK Dukla Trenčín (Slovakia)	2	0	0	0	+0	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	HK Dukla Trenčín U20 (Slovakia-Jr.)	41	4	17	21	+0	4	13	2	2	4	+0	4
	HK Dukla Trenčín U18 (Slovakia-U18)	2	0	0	0	+1	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	HK Dukla Trenčín (Slovakia)	6	0	0	0	+1	0	4	0	0	0	-2	0
	Team Slovakia U18 (Slovakia-2)	19	1	4	5	-20	29	--	--	--	--	--	--
	HK Dukla Trenčín U20 (Slovakia-Jr.)	5	0	0	0	+2	0	3	0	1	1	+0	0
	HK Dukla Trenčín U18 (Slovakia-U18)	2	0	1	1	+5	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Team Slovakia U18 (Slovakia-Jr.)	11	4	8	12	+1	4	--	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	HK Dukla Trenčín (Slovakia)	43	4	7	11	-17	40	7	0	2	2	+3	2
	HK Dukla Trenčín U20 (Slovakia-Jr.)	--	--	--	--	--	--	6	5	4	9	+3	2

INTERNATIONAL STATS (SLOVAKIA)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	4	1	2	3	--	0
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	7	0	0	0	+0	0
2025	Hlinka Gretzky Cup (U18)	4	0	3	3	-3	6
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship (U20)	5	0	0	0	-3	2
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship "C"	7	2	3	5	+6	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

NIKLAS AARAM-OLSEN

#15 INTERNATIONAL SKATER

POSITION: Left Wing | **HT:** 6'1" | **WT:** 183 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Apr. 19, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Oslo, Norway

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Has totaled 81 points (43g, 38a) and a +32 rating in 71 games with Örebro HK's junior team over the past two seasons
- Tied for the team lead in goals (20) over 29 contests last season, and also finished tied for second in that category among Örebro skaters during the junior league playoffs (5)
- Made his Swedish Hockey League debut in 2025-26, averaging 1:33 of ice time over 16 contests for Örebro
- Tied for first in goals and tied for third in points among all skaters at the 2026 Division 1A World Juniors, helping Norway finish undefeated at the tournament and qualify for the top-level event in 2027
- Led Norway in goals (4) while serving as an alternate captain at the 2026 IIHF Under-18 World Championship
- Uncle, Mats, was a two-time SHL champion (2016, 2019) and four-time Champions Hockey League winner (2016, 2017, 2019, 2020) over his 11 seasons with Frölunda HC

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON						PLAYOFFS					
YEAR	TEAM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024-25	Örebro HK U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	42	23	18	41	+18	2	4	0	2	2	+4	0
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	1	3	0	3	--	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Nationell)	--	--	--	--	--	--	2	1	2	3	+4	0
2025-26	Örebro HK (Sweden)	16	0	0	0	-2	0	--	--	--	--	--	--
	Örebro HK U20 (Sweden-Jr.)	29	20	20	40	+14	22	13	5	3	8	+3	6
	Örebro HK U18 (Sweden-U18 Region)	1	1	0	1	--	0	--	--	--	--	--	--

INTERNATIONAL STATS (NORWAY)

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	GP	G	A	P	+/-	PIM
2024	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	2	1	3	+2	2
2025	IIHF World Junior Championship – Division 1A (U20)	5	3	3	6	+3	4
2025	IIHF U18 World Championship	5	3	2	5	-2	0
2026	IIHF World Junior Championship – Division 1A (U20)	5	6	4	10	+4	2
2026	IIHF U18 World Championship "A"	5	4	0	4	-6	2

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

2026 TOP 3 INTERNATIONAL GOALTENDERS

DMITRI
BORICHEV

#1 INTERNATIONAL GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | **HT:** 6'2" | **WT:** 194 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Jun. 19, 2008 | **BIRTHPLACE:** Vologda, Russia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Made 24 MHL appearances for Loko-76 Yaroslavl in 2025-26, posting a 12-8-3 record and a .929 save percentage in Russia's highest junior league
- Finished third in save percentage and tied for fourth in shutouts (3) among all U18 netminders in the MHL
- Has earned a 14-8-3 record in 26 career MHL games, after posting a 2-0-0 record, 0.50 goals-against average and .974 save percentage (38/39) in his two appearances for Loko Yaroslavl in 2024-25
- Registered a 12-save shutout in his MHL debut against Dynamo-Kareliya on Feb. 28, 2025

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2024-25	Loko Yaroslavl (Russia-Jr.)	2	0.50	.974	1	120	--	--	--	--	--
	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl U17 (Russia-U17)	14	2.12	--	2	819	--	--	--	--	--
	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl U17 (Russia-U17)	6	1.55	.930	2	349	--	--	--	--	--
2025-26	Loko-76 Yaroslavl (Russia-Jr.)	24	2.25	.929	3	1333	2	1.85	.947	0	130

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

YEGOR
RYBKIN

#2 INTERNATIONAL GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | **HT:** 6'7" | **WT:** 207 lbs. | **BIRTHDATE:** Dec. 3, 2007
BIRTHPLACE: Yegoryevsk, Russia

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned a 5-2-0 record over 11 appearances with Chaika Nizhny Novgorod of the MHL, Russia's top junior league, during the 2025-26 season
- Has registered a 7-5-2 record in 19 MHL games with Chaika over the past two seasons
- Made his professional debut in 2024-25 as he appeared in three contests with Torpedo-Gorky Nizhny Novgorod of the VHL, Russia's second-highest pro league

SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
		GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2024-25	Torpedo-Gorky Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-2)	3	9.01	.800	0	40	--	--	--	--	--
	Chaika Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-Jr.)	8	2.95	.891	0	386	--	--	--	--	--
	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod U18 (Russia-U18)	8	1.83	--	0	491	1	1	--	0	60
2025-26	Chaika Nizhny Novgorod (Russia-Jr.)	11	2.56	.915	0	491	--	--	--	--	--

2026 NHL DRAFT PROSPECT BIOS

DAVID
VERMIŘOVSKÝ

#3 INTERNATIONAL GOALTENDER

POSITION: Goaltender | HT: 6'5" | WT: 181 lbs. | BIRTHDATE: Jul. 25, 2008
BIRTHPLACE: Cordoba, Spain (Czechia)

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Earned a 13-14-0 record over 27 appearances with HC Dynamo Pardubice’s junior team last season
- Finished with the fifth-most wins of any U18 netminder in the Czech junior league
- Posted a 21-16-2 record in 37 games with Dynamo’s under-17 team in 2024-25, ranking fifth in wins among all goaltenders in Czechia’s top under-17 league

SEASON STATS

		REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS				
YEAR	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	MIN
2023-24	HC Dynamo Pardubice U20 (Czech-Jr.)	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
	HC Dynamo Pardubice U17 (Czech-U17)	22	2.13	.928	5	1214	1	4.19	.870	0	43
	HC Chrudim U17 (Czech-U17 2)	5	2.61	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
2024-25	HC Dynamo Pardubice U17 (Czech-U17)	37	2.39	.927	2	2206	7	2.57	0.913	3	397
2025-26	HC Dynamo Pardubice U20 (Czech-Jr.)	27	3.23	.904	0	1507	12	2.72	0.913	1	639

UTAH MAMMOTH PROSPECT DEVELOPMENT CAMP

The Utah Mammoth will host their 2026 Development Camp from June 28 to July 2. Camp will feature daily practice sessions and conclude with an intra-squad scrimmage. Monday's on-ice sessions and Thursday's scrimmage at the Utah Mammoth Ice Center will both be open to the public.

The full development camp roster will be announced after this year's draft.

As part of development camp, the Mammoth will hold a media availability with General Manager Bill Armstrong, their first-round draft choice and select prospects on June 28 at the Utah Mammoth Ice Center.

Daily media availability will follow each on-ice practice session and the intra-squad scrimmage.

ON-ICE SESSIONS AND MEDIA AVAILABILITIES ARE SCHEDULED FOR THESE DATES:

**JUN
29**

SESSION 1 – 10 A.M. to 11:45 A.M.

SESSION 2 – 11:15 A.M. to 1 P.M.

**JUN
30**

SESSION 1 – 9:45 A.M. to 11:45 A.M.

SESSION 2 – 11:15 A.M. to 1:15 P.M.

**JUN
30**

SCRIMMAGE – 12 P.M.



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