



HOUSTON TEXANS

2020 NFL DRAFT NOTES

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2020 TEXANS DRAFT SELECTIONS

Rd.	Pick	Ovr.	Player	School
2*	8	40	DT Ross Blacklock	TCU
3	26	90	OLB Jonathan Greenard	Florida
4#	20	126	T Charlie Heck	North Carolina
4^	35	141	CB John Reid	Penn State
5	26	171	WR Isaiah Coulter	Rhode Island

* - Acquired from Arizona

- Acquired from the L.A. Rams

^ - Acquired from Miami

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ROSS BLACKLOCK NOTES



TEXANS SELECT DT ROSS BLACKLOCK

The Houston Texans selected TCU DT **Ross Blacklock** with the eighth pick in the second round (40th overall). He is the first player drafted by the Texans from TCU in franchise history.

Blacklock is the first defensive tackle drafted by Houston in the second round in team history and the third-highest defensive tackle ever drafted by Houston, trailing only **Travis Johnson** in 2005 (16th overall) and **Amobi Okoye** in 2007 (10th overall).

The Texans have drafted 24 players overall and at least one player in all but the 2013, 2014 and 2016 drafts that either went to college or high school in Texas or had some connection to the state. Additionally, the Texans have historically drafted mostly defensive players in the first two rounds. In fact, 20 of Houston's 29 first- or second-round picks since 2004 have been on defense.

Houston now has eight defensive linemen on its roster. Blacklock is the 13th defensive tackle drafted by the Texans in franchise history and first since **D.J. Reader** in 2016.

ROSS BLACKLOCK CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- 2019 First-Team All-Big 12
- 2019 Second-Team AP All-Big 12
- 2019 Honorable-Mention Big 12 Defensive Lineman of the Year
- 2017 Freshman All-American
- 2017 Big 12 Co-Defensive Freshman of the Year
- Compiled 40 tackles, nine tackles for loss and 3.5 sacks in 12 starts during his final year with the Horned Frogs
- Posted 27 tackles, 6.5 for loss, and two sacks in 14 starts as a freshman in 2017

ROSS BLACKLOCK PERSONAL INFORMATION

- His father, Jimmy, is in the University of Texas Hall of Fame for basketball and toured with the Harlem Globetrotters
- Attended Elkins High School, which is located in the suburbs of Houston, and was a multi-sport athlete who played football, basketball, baseball, track and field and swimming

CURRENT DEFENSIVE LINEMEN (8)

91	Carlos Watkins	6-3	297	26	4	Clemson
92	Brandon Dunn	6-2	310	27	5	Louisville
94	Charles Omenihu	6-5	280	22	2	Texas
95	Eddie Vanderdoes	6-3	315	25	4	UCLA
96	Ira Savage-Lewis	6-3	290	24	2	Baylor
97	Angelo Blackson	6-4	319	27	6	Auburn
99	J.J. Watt	6-5	288	31	10	Wisconsin
	Ross Blacklock	6-3	290	21	R	TCU

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...

Daniel Jeremiah, NFL Network

"Rank: 19. Blacklock is a dynamic interior defensive lineman. As a pass rusher, he launches out of his four-point stance and his bull rush is ferocious. He creates immediate knock-back. He is ultra-twitchy. He flashes a long-arm move where he can jolt, separate and finish. As a run defender, he successfully stacks and sheds single blocks, but he needs to improve his awareness and effectiveness versus double teams, where he gets washed down the line. He does have some durability concerns, but his skill set is special. Overall, Blacklock comes with some risk, but he's worth it. He has the potential to develop into a top-flight interior pass rusher."

Todd McShay, ESPN

"Blacklock missed the 2018 season with an Achilles tendon injury. He has the size and strength to stack and shed blockers one-on-one. He does an above-average job of splitting double-teams. He's got the quick hands and feet to slip blocks and disrupt plays in the backfield. He's much more of a threat to get to the quarterback than sack production -- 5.5 sacks in 26 games -- would suggest, and he has the potential to develop into a productive interior pass-rusher in the NFL. He has above-average quickness, lower-body flexibility and closing burst. There's room to improve when it comes to counter moves. He's a hard worker who reportedly lost 25 pounds while he was out with the Achilles injury."

Danny Kelly, The Ringer

"The barrel-chested Blacklock has an imposing frame and long arms. He plays with excellent flexibility and balance, and has unmistakable first-step explosiveness. The TCU star earned freshman All-American honors in 2017 before missing the 2018 season with an Achilles tear. He bounced back by recording 9.0 tackles for a loss, with 3.5 sacks, in 2019. He boasts springy athleticism for a big man, uncoiling out of his four-point stance to hit the guy in front of him or bound laterally to attack other gaps on stunts and twists. His hands are a blur, swiping away at blocks to send opposing linemen tumbling off-balance. Blacklock has been known to split double-teams and is generally just a pain in the ass to go against. He's capable of dropping anchor and taking on blocks and showed the awareness and athleticism to identify and chase down screens."

ALL-TIME DEFENSIVE TACKLES DRAFTED

Below is a look at the 13 defensive tackles who have been drafted by the Texans in franchise history.

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Charles Hill	3	83
2002	Howard Green	6	190
2002	Ahmad Miller	7	261
2003	Keith Wright	6	214
2005	Travis Johnson	1	16
2007	Amobi Okoye	1	10
2008	Frank Okam	5	151
2010	Earl Mitchell	3	81
2013	Chris Jones	6	198
2014	Louis Nix III	3	83
2015	Christian Covington	6	216
2016	D.J. Reader	5	166
2020	Ross Blacklock	2	40

JONATHAN GREENARD NOTES

TEXANS DRAFT OLB JONATHAN GREENARD

The Texans drafted OLB **Jonathan Greenard** with the 26th pick of the third round (90th overall) in the 2020 Draft. Greenard is the second player from Florida drafted by the Texans and first since WR **Jabar Gaffney** in the second round in 2002.

Greenard is the 19th linebacker drafted by the Texans in team history, which is the most of any position. He is the earliest linebacker taken by Houston since **Zach Cunningham** in 2017. Houston now has 13 linebackers on its roster.

JONATHAN GREENARD CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Registered 19.0 sacks, 122 total tackles, three interceptions and four forced fumbles in his college career
- First-Team All-SEC selection by the coaches and Associated Press in 2019
- Appeared in 12 games and led the SEC with 9.5 sacks and 15.5 tackles for loss in 2019
- Compiled 52 total tackles, one interception, three forced fumbles and four pass breakups in 2019
- Started his collegiate career with Louisville where he played from 2015-2018 before transferring to Florida
- Appeared in 13 games (five starts) in 2017 and led the Cardinals with 7.0 sacks
- Participated in the 2020 Reese's Senior Bowl in Mobile, Alabama
- Started as a redshirt freshman in the Citrus Bowl against LSU after accumulating 22 tackles, seven for loss, 2.0 sacks, one interception, and two pass breakups in 11 games

JONATHAN GREENARD PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Attended Hiram High School, where he played basketball and football
- Tabbed the 5-A region Defensive Player of the Year in football as a senior
- Caught 11 passes for 249 yards and five touchdowns at the tight end position in high school

ALL-TIME LINEBACKERS DRAFTED

Below is a look at the 19 linebackers who have been drafted by the Texans in franchise history, which is the most at any position.

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2004	Charlie Anderson	6	200
2005	Kenneth Pettway	7	227
2006	DeMeco Ryans	2	33
2007	Zac Diles	7	218
2008	Xavier Adibi	4	118
2009	Brian Cushing	1	15
2010	Darryl Sharpton	4	102
2011	Brooks Reed	2	42
2011	Cheta Ozougwu	7	254
2012	Whitney Mercilus	1	26
2013	Sam Montgomery	3	95
2013	Trevarde Williams	4	124
2014	Jadeveon Clowney	1	1
2015	Benardrick McKinney	2	43
2015	Reshard Cliett	6	211
2017	Zach Cunningham	2	57
2018	Duke Ejirofor	6	177
2018	Peter Kalambayi	6	214
2020	Jonathan Greenard	3	90



CURRENT LINEBACKERS (13)

41	Zach Cunningham	6-3	238	25	4	Vanderbilt
42	Chris Landrum	6-2	245	27	3	Jacksonville St.
48	Nate Hall	6-2	235	24	1	Northwestern
49	Davin Bellamy	6-5	259	25	1	Georgia
50	Tyrell Adams	6-2	230	27	5	West Georgia
51	Dylan Cole	6-0	237	25	4	Missouri State
53	Duke Ejirofor	6-4	255	24	3	Wake Forest
54	Jacob Martin	6-2	242	24	3	Temple
55	Benardrick McKinney	6-4	257	27	6	Mississippi St.
57	Brennan Scarlett	6-4	263	26	5	Stanford
58	Peter Kalambayi	6-3	254	24	3	Stanford
59	Whitney Mercilus	6-4	258	29	9	Illinois
	Jonathan Greenard	6-3	263	22	R	Florida

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...

Lance Zierlein, NFL.com

"Athletic, intelligent edge defender with enticing flashes as both a run defender and pass rusher. Greenard's plus get-off and ability to bend and corner the edge are predictive traits for success as an NFL rusher but he'll need a more reliable go-to counter as a pro. He's tough and aware at the point of attack and plays with consistent leverage and motor. Edge defenders need forceful hands to set edges and open doors as a pass rusher and his hesitation to unleash his right hand after suffering a major wrist injury in 2018 is a concern. If his hesitation is more mental than physical, he should become an eventual starter in either an odd or even front."

Danny Kelly, The Ringer

"Greenard has a sturdy, muscular build with powerful legs and vines for arms. The former Louisville transfer lined up in both two- and three-point stances for the Gators and notched 9.0 sacks, four pass deflections, and a fumble recovery in 12 games last season, showing his abilities against both the run and the pass. He plays rough and rugged on the edge, likes to battle with blockers, and easily overpowers tight ends at the point of attack. He targets the chest of opposing tacklers, giving effective shoulder and head fakes—with accompanying Euro-step-type footwork—to get them lunging and off-balance. Greenard has experience rushing from the inside and can convert speed to power as a bull rusher. He always gives maximum effort to chase down the quarterback or ballcarrier from the backside. He looks to deliver pop when he arrives at his target."

CHARLIE HECK NOTES



TEXANS TAKE T CHARLIE HECK

The Houston Texans took T **Charlie Heck** from North Carolina with the 20th pick in the fourth round (126th overall). He is the third player drafted by the Texans from North Carolina in franchise history and first since 2013.

Houston has now selected an offensive tackle in four-consecutive drafts, dating back to 2017. Heck joins **Julián Davenport** as the only tackles selected by Houston in the fourth round. Houston now has 14 offensive linemen on its roster and Heck is the 14th offensive tackle drafted by the Texans in franchise history.

The Texans traded with the Los Angeles Rams to get up to the 126th pick in the draft after acquiring the 136th and 141st pick from the Miami Dolphins for the 111th overall selection. The Texans have now executed 26 trades on draft day in franchise history and this marks the first draft with three trades for Houston since 2010.

CHARLIE HECK CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Started all 12 games he appeared in at left tackle as a senior in 2019 and was named second team All-ACC
- Started all 11 games at right tackle as junior in 2018
- Appeared in all 12 games and started the last 11 in 2017
- Saw action in eight games, including the Sun Bowl in 2016
- Redshirted in 2015 after leading Rockhurst HS to a 12-2 record and the Missouri Class 6A state championship game

CHARLIE HECK PERSONAL INFORMATION

- His father, Andy, was a first-team All-America offensive tackle for Notre Dame and played on the 1988 National Championship team. He was the No. 15 pick in 1989 and spent 12 seasons playing with the Seahawks, Bears and Redskins. He is currently serving as the offensive line coach for the Super Bowl Champion Kansas City Chiefs
- Older brother, Jon, was a four-year starter (2013-16) at right tackle for the Tar Heels

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...

Lance Zierlein, NFL.com

"Three-year starter with offensive line play in his bloodlines. He's a tall tackle with inevitable leverage and anchor concerns at times despite playing with bend. He carries an NFL-ready frame with long arms and loose hips for move blocks and recoveries. His range in pass sets is just average, so he needs to get on top of rushers with his length early in the rep to maintain feel and widen the arc when needed. Heck has the talent to handle swing tackle duties and should be fully functional in all run-blocking schemes."

Steve Muench, ESPN.com

"Heck has a smooth kickstep and enough length to push speed rushers past the quarterback. He re-wraps and works hands back inside when he misses with his initial punch. He also gets into position and walls off defenders in the run game."

ALL-TIME OFFENSIVE TACKLES DRAFTED

Below is a look at the 14 offensive tackles who have been drafted by the Texans in franchise history.

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Chester Pitts	2	50
2003	Seth Wand	3	75
2006	Charles Spencer	3	65
2006	Eric Winston	3	66
2007	Brandon Frye	5	163
2008	Duane Brown	1	26
2011	Derek Newton	7	214
2012	Nick Mondek	6	195
2013	Brennan Williams	3	89
2013	David Quessenberry	6	176
2017	Julián Davenport	4	130
2018	Martinas Rankin	3	80
2019	Tytus Howard	1	23
2020	Charlie Heck	4	126

FROM TARHEELS TO TEXANS

Below is the list of players from the University of North Carolina who have been drafted by the Texans in team history. T **Charlie Heck** is the second-highest Tarheel drafted by the Texans, trailing **Brennan Williams** (89th overall in 2013).

Pos.	Player	Year
QB	T.J. Yates	2011
T	Brennan Williams	2013
T	Charlie Heck	2020

CURRENT OFFENSIVE LINEMEN (14)

63	Roderick Johnson	6-6	306	24	4	Florida State
64	Senio Kelemete	6-3	301	29	8	Washington
65	Greg Mancz	6-4	302	27	6	Toledo
66	Nick Martin	6-4	295	26	5	Notre Dame
68	Kyle Murphy	6-6	305	26	4	Stanford
71	Tytus Howard	6-5	322	23	2	Alabama State
72	Rick Leonard	6-7	311	23	1	Florida State
73	Zach Fulton	6-5	321	28	7	Tennessee
74	Max Scharping	6-6	327	23	2	Northern Illinois
75	Elijah Nkansah	6-5	315	25	1	Toledo
78	Laremy Tunsil	6-5	313	25	5	Mississippi
79	David Steinmetz	6-8	321	25	2	Purdue
	Brent Qvale	6-7	315	29	6	Nebraska
	Charlie Heck	6-8	311	23	R	North Carolina

JOHN REID NOTES

TEXANS PICK CB JOHN REID

The Texans picked CB **John Reid** from Penn State with the 35th pick of the fourth round (141st overall). He is the first player drafted by the Texans from Penn State in franchise history.

Houston has now drafted 18 cornerbacks in team history, including one in four-consecutive drafts (2017-20), which is the second-most of any position. Last year, the Texans landed CB **Lonnie Johnson Jr.** in the second round and CB **Xavier Crawford** in the sixth round.

The Texans were slotted to pick 111th overall but traded back in the fourth round and acquired the 136th and 141st overall pick from Miami. The Texans then traded No. 136 to move back up to No. 126 and used No. 141 to add Reid. Houston has now executed 26 trades on draft day in franchise history and this marks the first draft with three trades for Houston since 2010.

JOHN REID CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Ranks No. 11 all-time at Penn State with 37 passes defended
- Named All-Big Ten honorable mention by the coaches and media as a senior in 2019
- Won the Lions Pride Outstanding Senior Player Award, along with Steven Gonzalez and Robert Windsor, for greatest career contribution to Penn State Football
- Earned honorable-mention All-Big Ten laurels from the league's coaches and media in 2018
- Redshirted due to injury in 2017 but named Academic All-Big Ten
- Named All-Big Ten honorable mention by the conference coaches and media panel in 2016
- Named to ESPN.com's Big Ten All-Freshman team in 2015

JOHN REID PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Graduated with a degree in data sciences in December 2019
- Helped lead St. Joseph's Prep School to back-to-back PIAA Class AAAA Championships in 2013 and 2014
- Has three brothers, Aaron, Amari and Jaxson, and two sisters, Ariayana and Michaela



CURRENT SECONDARY (16)

20	Justin Reid	6-1	203	23	3	Stanford
21	Bradley Roby	5-11	194	27	7	Ohio State
22	Gareon Conley	6-0	190	24	4	Ohio State
28	Vernon Hargreaves III	5-10	204	24	5	Florida
29	Phillip Gaines	6-0	193	29	7	Rice
30	Cornell Armstrong	6-0	185	24	3	Southern Miss
32	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	6-2	213	24	2	Kentucky
33	A.J. Moore Jr.	5-11	200	24	3	Mississippi
35	Keion Crossen	5-10	185	23	3	Western Carolina
36	Jonathan Owens	5-11	210	24	2	Missouri Western St.
39	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	6-1	212	29	9	Wyoming
42	Shalom Luani	6-0	202	25	5	Washington St.
43	Anthony Chesley	6-0	190	23	1	Coastal Carolina
	Jaylen Watkins	5-11	194	28	6	Florida
	Eric Murray	5-11	199	26	5	Minnesota
	John Reid	5-10	187	23	R	Penn State

ALL-TIME CORNERBACKS DRAFTED

Below is a look at the 18 cornerbacks who have been drafted by the Texans in franchise history, which is the second-most at any position.

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	DeMarcus Faggins	6	173
2004	Dunta Robinson	1	10
2004	Vontez Duff	6	170
2007	Fred Bennett	4	123
2008	Antwaun Molden	3	79
2009	Glover Quin	4	112
2009	Brice McCain	6	188
2010	Kareem Jackson	1	20
2010	Sherrick McManis	5	144
2011	Brandon Harris	2	60
2011	Roc Carmichael	4	127
2014	Andre Hal	7	216
2015	Kevin Johnson	1	16
2017	Treston Decoud	5	169
2018	Jermaine Kelly Jr.	7	222
2019	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	2	54
2019	Xavier Crawford	6	195
2020	John Reid	4	141

#141 OVERALL SINCE 2010

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Joshua Moore	CB	Kansas State	Chicago Bears
2011	D. J. Williams	TE	Arkansas	Green Bay Packers
2012	Adam Gettis	G	Iowa	Washington Redskins
2013	Oday Aboushi	G	Virginia	New York Jets
2014	Taylor Hart	DE	Oregon	Philadelphia Eagles
2015	Martrell Spaight	LB	Arkansas	Washington Redskins
2016	Zack Sanchez	CB	Oklahoma	Carolina Panthers
2017	Chad Hansen	WR	California	New York Jets
2018	Shaquem Griffin	LB	UCF	Seattle Seahawks
2019	Zach Gentry	TE	Michigan	Pittsburgh Steelers
2020	John Reid	CB	Penn State	Houston Texans

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...

Lance Zierlein, NFL.com

"Competitive press nickel who uses mirror quickness and controlled hand work to make press release uncomfortable for receivers. Reid's body control and balance allow him to play a stickier brand of coverage underneath, but that coverage will fade as routes progress. He can be mismatched with big speed or big size and doesn't feature the physical profile of a capable run-support defender. Reid's passion, competitiveness and football IQ are fun to watch, but physical limitations could cap his ceiling."

ISAIAH COULTER NOTES



TEXANS ADD WR ISAIAH COULTER

The Houston Texans added WR **Isaiah Coultter** from Rhode Island with the 26th pick in the fifth round (171st overall). He is the first player from Rhode Island to get drafted to the NFL in 34 years (**Bob White** in 1986).

Coultter is the 17th wide receiver drafted by the Texans in franchise history, which is the third-most at any position, and the first since **Keke Coutee** in 2018. **Keith Mumphrey** (2015) was the last receiver drafted in the fifth round by the Texans and Houston now has 10 wide receivers on its roster.

ISAIAH COULTER CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Second-team All-Colonial Athletic Association selection in his final collegiate season in 2019,
- Caught 72 passes for 1,039 yards and eight touchdowns (14.4 per) in 12 games with 11 starts as a junior in 2019
- Started all 11 games as a sophomore (42-604-14.4, three TDs) and played in all 11 contests as a true freshman (18-212-11.8, one TD)
- Posted seven career 100-yard receiving games
- Became the seventh player in program history to top 1,000 receiving yards in one season

ISAIAH COULTER PERSONAL INFORMATION

- The first Rhode Island Rams player drafted in 34 years (Bob White in 1986)
- Played with his cousin, Aaron Parker, at Rhode Island and he posted 81 receptions for 1,224 yards and nine touchdowns

CURRENT WIDE RECEIVERS (10)

11	Steven Mitchell Jr.	5-10	186	25	2	Southern California
12	Kenny Stills	6-1	202	27	8	Oklahoma
13	Chad Hansen	6-2	202	25	2	California
14	DeAndre Carter	5-8	190	26	3	Sacramento State
15	Will Fuller V	6-0	184	25	5	Notre Dame
16	Keke Coutee	5-11	187	23	3	Texas Tech
19	Isaac Whitney	6-2	204	25	1	Southern California
	Brandin Cooks	5-10	183	26	7	Oregon State
	Randall Cobb	5-10	195	29	10	Kentucky
	Isaiah Coultter	6-2	198		R	Rhode Island

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING...

Lance Zierlein, NFL.com

"Raw but talented X receiver with NFL-caliber length, speed and athletic ability. He runs a limited route tree and doesn't show enough attention to detail in his route work, but he's loose and fluid with the ability to get that area corrected. He lets coverage off the hook when he doesn't burst and separate like he's capable of, but he has access to plenty of juice when needed. While improvement should be expected, learning to play with better catch aggression and ball-tracking is not a given. Coultter is an explosive, high-upside talent with functional-starter upside, but a lower floor."

Steve Muench, ESPN.com

"Coultter has above-average top-end speed, and he tracks the deep ball well. He's lean and ideally he adds weight, but he has good body control and flashes the ability to win 50-50 balls downfield. He's a big-play threat after the catch. There's room for improvement when it comes to his route running."

#171 OVERALL SINCE 2010

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Shann Schillinger	S	Montana	Atlanta Falcons
2011	Quan Sturdivant	LB	North Carolina	Arizona Cardinals
2012	Greg Zuerlein	K	Missouri Western	St. Louis Rams
2013	Corey Fuller	WR	Virginia Tech	Detroit Lions
2014	Jordan Tripp	LB	Montana	Miami Dolphins
2015	Nick Boyle	TE	Delaware	Baltimore Ravens
2016	Alex Collins	RB	Arkansas	Seattle Seahawks
2017	Nathan Peterman	QB	Pittsburgh	Buffalo Bills
2018	Mike White	QB	Western Kentucky	Dallas Cowboys
2019	Darius Slayton	WR	Auburn	N.Y. Giants
2020	Isaiah Coultter	WR	Rhode Island	Houston Texans

ALL-TIME WIDE RECEIVERS DRAFTED

Below is a look at the 17 wide receivers who have been drafted by the Texans in franchise history, which is the third-most at any position.

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Jabar Gaffney	2	33
2003	Andre Johnson	1	3
2004	Sloan Thomas	7	211
2005	Jerome Mathis	4	114
2006	David Anderson	7	251
2007	Jacoby Jones	3	73
2010	Trindon Holliday	6	197
2012	DeVier Posey	3	68
2012	Keshawn Martin	4	121
2013	DeAndre Hopkins	1	27
2013	Alan Bonner	6	195
2015	Jaelen Strong	3	70
2015	Keith Mumphrey	5	175
2016	Will Fuller V	1	21
2016	Braxton Miller	3	85
2018	Keke Coutee	4	103
2020	Isaiah Coultter	5	171

TEXANS DRAFT NOTES



THE LAST TIME THE TEXANS DRAFTED A...

Pos.	Year	Player, College	Rd.	Overall
QB	2017	Deshaun Watson, Clemson	1	12
RB	2017	D’Onta Foreman, Texas	3	89
FB	2019	Cullen Gillaspia, Texas A&M	7	220
WR	2020	Isaiah Coulter, Rhode Island	5	171
TE	2019	Kahale Warring, San Diego State	3	86
T	2020	Charlie Heck, North Carolina	4	126
G	2019	Max Scharping, Northern Illinois	2	55
C/LS	2017	Kyle Fuller, Baylor	7	243
DE	2019	Charles Omenihu, Texas	5	161
DT	2020	Ross Blacklock, TCU	2	40
LB	2020	Jonathan Greenard, Florida	3	90
CB	2020	John Reid, Penn State	4	141
S	2018	Justin Reid, Stanford	3	68
K/P	2012	Randy Bullock, Texas A&M	5	161

EXCELLING EARLY

The Texans were able to get many of their 2019 draft picks in the action last season. The rookie class made a combined 73 appearances with 29 starts in 2019. Houston’s rookies started in 39.7 percent of games that they played in, a mark that ranked tied for 10th among rookie classes in the AFC in 2019, while their 79 appearances tied for sixth in the AFC.

On offense, the Texans found two integral pieces to the offensive line in T **Tytus Howard** and G/T **Max Scharping**. Scharping became only the seventh rookie offensive lineman in Texans history to play in all 16 games, and among those his 10 starts ranked third. Howard was named to the PFWA All-Rookie team despite only playing in eight games due to injury, becoming the 14th player in team history to earn the honor.

On the defensive side of the ball, DE **Charles Omenihu** ranked eighth among rookie defensive lineman in the NFL with 3.0 sacks on the season. Omenihu also became the sixth rookie in Texans history to record a sack in his first career game, and the fourth to notch a sack in the first two weeks of the season. CB **Lonnie Johnson Jr.**’s 38 total tackles were the fifth-most among rookie cornerbacks in Texans history.

On the special teams front, FB **Cullen Gillaspia** played in all 16 games and finished fifth on the team with six special teams tackles.

TEXANS DRAFT INDEX

Below is a look at the Texans’ draft selections by position and round since 2002, not including the Supplemental Draft:

Pos.	Draft Round							Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
QB	2		1	1	1	1	2	8
RB/FB		1	3	3	1	3	2	13
WR	3	1	4	3	2	2	2	17
TE		1	3	3	1	2	1	11
T	2	1	5	2	1	2	1	14
G		2	2			2		6
C/LS		1	1	1	1		2	6
DE	3	1	1	2	1	1	2	11
DT	2	1	3		2	4	1	13
LB	3	4	2	3		4	3	19
CB	3	2	1	4	2	4	2	18
S		1	1	1	4	3	3	13
K/P					1			1
Total	18	16	27	23	17	28	21	150

TEXANS ALL-ROOKIE DRAFT SELECTIONS

The Texans have had 14 draft picks earn spots on the PFW/PFWA All-Rookie Team, with all but one of the players selected from either the first or fourth rounds.

TEXANS DRAFT PICKS ON PFW/PFWA ALL-ROOKIE TEAM

Year	Player	Rd.
2002	David Carr, QB	1
2003	Andre Johnson, WR	1
	Domanick Williams, RB	4
2004	Dunta Robinson, CB	1
2005	Jerome Mathis, KR	4
2006	Owen Daniels, TE	4
	DeMeco Ryans, LB	2
2007	Amobi Okoye, DT	1
2008	Xavier Adibi, LB	4
2009	Brian Cushing, LB	1
2011	J.J. Watt, DE	1
2013	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	1
2017	Deshaun Watson, QB	1
2019	Tytus Howard, G/T	1



TEXANS DRAFT NOTES

HOME GROWN

The Texans have drafted 24 players overall and at least one player in all but the 2013, 2014 and 2016 drafts that either went to college or high school in Texas or had some connection to the state. This marks the fourth year in a row the Texans selected a player with Texas ties.

DT **Ross Blacklock** is the first player from TCU drafted by the Texans in franchise history. Last season, Houston took Texas DE **Charles Omenihu** with the 23rd pick of the fifth round (161st overall) and Texas A&M FB **Cullen Gillaspia** with the sixth pick of the seventh round (220th overall), which marked the first time in team history that the Texans drafted a player from Texas and a player from Texas A&M in the same draft.

TEXANS DRAFTED BY THE TEXANS

Rd.	Pk	Player	College	Pos.	Hometown
6	173	DeMarcus Faggins	2002 Kansas State	CB	Irving, Texas
7	233	Chance Pearce	2003 Texas A&M	LS	Brownwood, Texas
6	170	Vontez Duff	2004 Notre Dame	CB	Copperas Cove
7	211	Sloan Thomas	Texas	WR	Clarksville, Tenn.
7	248	B.J. Symons	Texas Tech	QB	Houston
7	227	Kenneth Pettway	2005 Grambling St.	LB	Houston
3	66	Eric Winston	2006 Miami	T	Midland, Texas
6	183	Kasey Studdard	2007 Texas	G	Denver, Colo.
7	218	Zac Diles	Kansas State	LB	Abilene, Texas
5	151	Frank Okam	2008 Texas	DT	Pine Bluff, Ark.
4	122	Anthony Hill	2009 N.C. State	TE	Houston
5	152	James Casey	Rice	TE	Azle, Texas
6	188	Brice McCain	Utah	CB	Terrell, Texas
3	81	Earl Mitchell	2010 Arizona	DT	Houston
7	254	Cheta Ozougwu	2011 Rice	OLB	Houston
5	161	Randy Bullock	2012 Texas A&M	K	Klein, Texas
6	216	Christian Covington	2015 Rice	DT	Vancouver, BC, Canada
3	89	D'Onta Foreman	2017 Texas	RB	Texas City, Texas
7	243	Kyle Fuller	Baylor	C	Wylie, Texas
4	103	Keke Coutee	2018 Texas Tech	WR	Lufkin, Texas
6	177	Duke Ejiyor	Wake Forest	OLB	Houston
5	161	Charles Omenihu	2019 Texas	DE	Houston
7	220	Cullen Gillaspia	Texas A&M	FB	Katy, Texas
2	40	Ross Blacklock	2020 TCU	DT	Missouri City

Bold indicates made active roster that season.

DEFENSIVE TREND

Historically, the Texans have drafted mostly defensive players in the first two rounds. Only nine of Houston's 29 first- or second-round picks since 2004 have been on the offensive side of the ball.

TEXANS FIRST AND SECOND ROUND DRAFT PICKS, 2004-19

Year	Player	Pos.	Rd.	Pk	College
2004	Dunta Robinson	CB	1	10	South Carolina
2004	Jason Babin	LB	1	27	Western Michigan
2005	Travis Johnson	DT	1	16	Florida State
2006	Mario Williams	DE	1	1	N.C. State
2006	DeMeco Ryans	LB	2	33	Alabama
2007	Amobi Okoye	DT	1	10	Louisville
2008	Duane Brown	T	1	26	Virginia Tech
2009	Brian Cushing	LB	1	15	USC
2009	Connor Barwin	DE	2	46	Cincinnati
2010	Kareem Jackson	CB	1	20	Alabama
2010	Ben Tate	RB	2	58	Auburn
2011	J.J. Watt	DE	1	11	Wisconsin
2011	Brooks Reed	OLB	2	42	Arizona
2011	Brandon Harris	CB	2	60	Miami
2012	Whitney Mercilus	OLB	1	26	Illinois
2013	DeAndre Hopkins	WR	1	27	Clemson
2013	D.J. Swearinger	S	2	57	South Carolina
2014	Jadeveon Clowney	OLB	1	1	South Carolina
2014	Xavier Su'a-Filo	G	2	33	UCLA
2019	Tytus Howard	T	1	23	Alabama State
2015	Kevin Johnson	CB	1	16	Wake Forest
2015	Benardrick McKinney	ILB	2	43	Mississippi State
2016	Will Fuller V	WR	1	21	Notre Dame
2016	Nick Martin	C	2	50	Notre Dame
2017	Deshawn Watson	QB	1	12	Clemson
2017	Zach Cunningham	ILB	2	57	Vanderbilt
2019	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	CB	2	54	Kentucky
2019	Max Scharping	G/T	2	55	Northern Illinois
2020	Ross Blacklock	DT	2	40	TCU

Defensive players in *italics*.

TEXANS ALL-TIME COMPENSATORY PICKS

The Texans own two compensatory picks in the 2020 NFL Draft. They have chosen 15 compensatory picks in franchise history:

HOUSTON TEXANS ALL-TIME COMPENSATORY PICKS

Year	Rd.	Pick	Player	College	Pos.
2004	6	200	Charlie Anderson	Mississippi	LB
2004	7	248	B.J. Symons	Texas Tech	QB
2006	7	251	David Anderson	Colorado State	WR
2011	7	254	Cheta Ozougwu	Rice	OLB
2013	3	95	Sam Montgomery	LSU	OLB
2013	6	201	Ryan Griffin	Connecticut	TE
2014	4	135	Tom Savage	Pittsburgh	QB
2014	6	211	Jay Prosch	Auburn	FB
2014	6	256	Lonnie Ballentine	Memphis	S
2015	5	175	Keith Mumphery	Michigan State	WR
2015	6	211	Reshard Cliett	South Florida	LB
2015	6	216	Christian Covington	Rice	DT
2018	3	98	Jordan Akins	Central Florida	TE
2018	6	211	Jordan Thomas	Mississippi State	TE
2018	6	214	Peter Kalambayi	Stanford	ILB

Bold indicates made active roster that season.

TEXANS DRAFT NOTES

QUICK IMPACT

Though injuries limited some, the Texans' 2019 draft class made a significant impact on offense, defense and special teams.

T TYTUS HOWARD (1ST ROUND, 23RD OVERALL)

Made eight starts, seven at right tackle and one at left guard before being placed on the Reserve/Injured list prior to Week 13. Selected to the 2019 PFWA All-Rookie team.

CB LONNIE JOHNSON JR. (2ND ROUND, 54TH OVERALL)

Played in 14 games (seven starts) and tallied 38 total tackles, seven passes defended and three total special teams tackles. Also appeared in both postseason contests (one start) and recorded three solo tackles on defense, one special teams tackle and returned a blocked punt for a touchdown.

G/T MAX SCHARPING (2ND ROUND, 55TH OVERALL)

Played in all 16 games (14 starts) as a rookie at left guard and helped the rushing attack average 4.63 yards per carry, which is the second-best mark in Texans history and the most since 2010.

DE CHARLES OMENIHU (5TH ROUND, 161ST OVERALL)

Racked up 13 total tackles (eight solo), two tackles for loss, 3.0 sacks, five quarterback hits, two passes defended and two forced fumbles in 14 regular season games as a rookie. His 3.0 sacks ranked eighth among rookie defensive linemen in the NFL, and he became the sixth rookie in Texans' history to record a sack in his first career game.

FB CULLEN GILLASPIA (7TH ROUND, 220TH OVERALL)

Played in every game of his rookie season, including both playoff contests. Saw action on offense at fullback, but contributed primarily on special teams finishing fifth on the team with six total special teams tackles.

THE EIGHTH ROUND

The Texans have had success beyond the draft with college free agents, including a number of players on the current roster.

ILB DYLAN COLE (2017) - A 2019 team captain who has played in 31 games (one start), totaling 49 tackles (29 solo), five tackles for loss, 1.0 sack, two interceptions (one returned for a touchdown), two quarterback hits, seven passes defended and 15 special teams tackles in three seasons with Houston.

K KA'IMI FAIRBAIRN (2016) - Connected on 77-of-92 field goals (83.7 percent) in 48 games, landing him fourth on the franchise's all-time scoring list with 342 career points. Set the franchise records and led the NFL in points scored (150) and field goals made (37) in 2018.

C/G GREG MANCZ (2015) - Appeared in 54 career regular season games with 28 starts at both center and guard. Also has appeared in five postseason contests with two starts.

OLB BRENNAN SCARLETT (2016) - Owns 96 total tackles (60 solo), 10 tackles for loss, 5.5 sacks, 11 quarterback hits, one interception, five passes defended and three forced fumbles, along with 15 special teams tackles in 54 career games (18 starts).

LS JON WEEKS (2010) - Played in every game since joining the Texans as a college free agent in 2010, playing in 160 consecutive games, the longest streak in Texans history.



DE Charles Omenihu – the Texans 2019 fifth-round pick – finished the season with 3.0 sacks, one of which was on Chiefs QB Patrick Mahomes in Houston's 31-24 victory over Kansas City in Week 6. Omenihu's 3.0 sacks on the season were the most by a Texans rookie since 2012.

BUILDING THE TEXANS

Last season, the Texans put an emphasis on gathering proven veteran talent. In 2019 alone, Houston acquired – either through trade or free-agent signing – four former first-round picks, five former third-round picks, two former fifth-round picks, two former sixth-round picks, one former seventh-round pick and two former college free agents that all had a significant impact in 2019 and are on the current Texans active roster.

Among those acquisitions was former-first round pick T **Laremy Tunsil**, who started in 14 games and earned his first Pro Bowl selection. Former third-round pick P **Bryan Anger** finished second in the NFL in net punting average in 2019 and led the NFL in percentage of punts pinned inside the 20-yard line (53.3 percent), despite being signed after Week 2. Former third-round pick and five-year veteran RB **Duke Johnson** finished third on the team with 810 all-purpose yards, while former college free agent and seven-year veteran TE **Darren Fells** finished third among NFL tight ends with seven touchdowns.

FIRST-ROUND FACTORS

Houston's first-round draft picks have almost all made immediate impacts in their first season in the NFL.

TEXANS FIRST-ROUND DRAFT PICKS, ROOKIE YEAR GP/GS

Year	Pk	Player	GP	GS
2002	1	David Carr, QB	16	16
2003	3	Andre Johnson, WR	16	16
2004	10	Dunta Robinson, CB	16	16
2004	27	Jason Babin, OLB	16	16
2005	16	Travis Johnson, DT	15	3
2006	1	Mario Williams, DE	16	16
2007	10	Amobi Okoye, DT	16	14
2008	26	Duane Brown, T	16	16
2009	15	Brian Cushing, LB	16	16
2010	20	Kareem Jackson, CB	16	16
2011	11	J.J. Watt, DE	16	16
2012	26	Whitney Mercilus, OLB	16	4
2013	27	DeAndre Hopkins, WR	16	16
2014	1	Jadeveon Clowney, DE/OLB	4	4
2015	16	Kevin Johnson, CB	16	10
2016	21	Will Fuller V, WR	14	13
2017	12	Deshaun Watson, QB	7	6
2019	23	Tytus Howard, T	8	8

Bold indicates current Texan.

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BEYOND THE FIRST & SECOND

RB JONATHAN WELLS (2002, 4TH ROUND, 99TH PICK)

Played in 60 games (18 starts) from 2002-05. Ran for 1,167 yards and 10 TDs on 374 attempts (3.1 avg.). Caught 44 passes for 323 yards (7.3 avg.) and two TDs.

CB DEMARCUS FAGGINS (2002, 6TH ROUND, 173RD PICK)

Appeared in 82 games (36 starts) for the Texans from 2002-08, logging 191 total tackles (167 solo), 38 passes defended, five interceptions, three forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries, 1.0 sack and 26 special teams tackles. Returned an interception 43 yards for a touchdown in 2004.

RB DOMANICK WILLIAMS (2003, 4TH ROUND, 101ST PICK)

Named NFL Rookie of the Year in 2003 after rushing for 1,031 yards. Went on to post back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons. Ranks second in team history with 3,195 career rushing yards and was named to the Pro Football Weekly All-Rookie Team. Played for the Texans from 2003-05 and started 36-of-40 games played.

LB CHARLIE ANDERSON (2004, 6TH ROUND, 200TH PICK)

Played in 60 games (five starts) from 2004-07 with Houston, compiling 38 tackles, 3.0 sacks, three forced fumbles, four passes defended & 40 special teams tackles.

WR JEROME MATHIS (2005, 4TH ROUND, 114TH PICK)

Named to the 2006 Pro Bowl and All-Pro Team after returning 54 kick-offs for 1,542 yards and two TDs in 12 games. Ranked second in the NFL with a 28.6 avg. and was named to the PFWA All-Rookie Team. With the Texans from 2005-07.

S C.C. BROWN (2005, 6TH ROUND, 188TH PICK)

Started 47-of-50 games he played in for the Texans from 2005-08 and tallied 251 total tackles (193 solo), three interceptions, 16 passes defended, four forced fumbles, four fumble recoveries and 1.0 sack.

T ERIC WINSTON (2006, 3RD ROUND, 66TH PICK)

Started 87 consecutive games at right tackle from 2006-11 and helped lead the Texans offense to three consecutive top-5 finishes from 2008-10.

TE OWEN DANIELS (2006, 4TH ROUND, 98TH PICK)

Had 385 receptions for 4,617 yards & 29 TDs (2006-13). Elected to 2009 & 2013 Pro Bowl. Named to PFWA All-Rookie Team with 34 rec. for 352 yards & 5 TDs.

WR JACOBY JONES (2007, 3RD ROUND, 73RD PICK)

Ranks first all-time in franchise history in punt return yards with 1,820 to go along with three touchdowns on 179 returns (10.2 avg.). Played in 75 games for the Texans, recording 127 catches for 1,741 yards and 11 touchdowns from 2007-11.

LB ZAC DILES (2007, 7TH ROUND, 218TH PICK)

Played in 50 games (30 starts) from 2007-10 with Houston, compiling 212 tackles, 1.0 sack, an interception, five quarterback hits, 14 tackles for loss, three forced fumbles, a fumble recovery, three passes defended & 11 special teams tackles.

RB STEVE SLATON (2008, 3RD ROUND, 89TH PICK)

Set a team record as a rookie with 1,282 yards rushing and led the AFC in total yards from scrimmage with 1,659. Ranks sixth in team history in career rushing yards with 1,832. Played in 42 games (26 starts) for the Texans from 2008-2011.

S GLOVER QUIN (2009, 4TH ROUND, 112TH PICK)

Notched 310 total tackles, 47 passes defended, five interceptions, three forced fumbles, three fumble recoveries and 14 tackles for loss in 63 games played (60 starts) with the Texans (2009-12). Started all 16 games for three straight seasons (2010-12) after starting 12 games as a rookie.

TE JAMES CASEY (2009, 5TH ROUND, 152ND PICK)

Appeared in 61 games (20 starts) and caught 66 passes for 752 yards (11.4 avg.) and four TDs (2009-12). Also had 28 special teams tackles.

CB BRICE MCCAIN (2009, 6TH ROUND, 152ND PICK)

Appeared in 72 games from 2009-13 and posted 105 total tackles (88 solo), 33 passes defended, five interceptions, including one returned for a touchdown, and 19 special teams tackles.

DT EARL MITCHELL (2010, 3RD ROUND, 81ST PICK)

Played in 63 games (17 starts) from 2010-13. Recorded 134 total tackles (81 solo), 3.5 sacks, six quarterback hits, six tackles for loss, one forced fumble, two fumble recoveries and four passes defended.

TE GARRETT GRAHAM (2010, 4TH ROUND, 118TH PICK)

Registered 100 receptions for 1,059 yards and 10 touchdowns in six seasons with the Texans (2010-15). Started 31-of-60 games played and tied for the team lead in receiving touchdowns with five in 2013.

QB T.J. YATES (2011, 5TH ROUND, 152ND PICK)

Led Houston to its first playoff appearance, first division crown and first postseason win in franchise history. Became the first rookie quarterback in 43 years to lead a team to back-to-back fourth-quarter wins and was the fourth fifth-round pick since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger to win his first start. Has served three stints with the Texans (2011-13, 2015 and 2017) and appeared in 21 games (10 starts). Re-joined the Texans as an offensive assistant in 2019.

T DEREK NEWTON (2011, 7TH ROUND, 214TH PICK)

Started in 68-of-82 games he played in from 2011-16, including a 56-game start streak from 2012-16, which marked the fifth-longest active streak in the league at the time. Blocked for four 1,000-yard rushers and played LT, LG, RG and RT.

G BRANDON BROOKS (2012, 3RD ROUND, 76TH PICK)

Started 44-of-50 games played for the Texans at guard from 2012-15 and blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers.

C BEN JONES (2012, 4TH ROUND, 99TH PICK)

Named Texans Rookie of the Year in 2012 after starting 10 games and playing in 16. Became a mainstay for the Texans on the offensive line and played in 64 consecutive games, including starting all 16 games in 2014 and 2015. Blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers. Spent the 2012-15 seasons with the Texans.

DE JARED CRICK (2012, 4TH ROUND, 126TH PICK)

Registered 5.5 sacks, including a career-high 3.5 in 2014 with the Texans. Played in 63 games (32 starts) from 2012-15, including starting 31-of-32 games at defensive end in 2014 and 2015. Also recorded 146 total tackles, 13 passes defended and 24 quarterback hits as a Texan.

TE RYAN GRIFFIN (2013, 6TH ROUND, 201ST PICK)

Has appeared in 77 games (36 starts) since 2013, logging 136 catches for 1,491 yards (11.0 avg.) and seven touchdowns.

RB ALFRED BLUE (2014, 6TH ROUND, 181ST PICK)

Set the franchise record for carries in a game (36) and tied a rookie rushing record with 156 yards at Cleveland (11/16/14). Became the first player in franchise history with a rushing, receiving and return touchdown in the same season in 2014. Had 2,407 rushing yards and 10 total touchdowns for Houston from 2014-18.

FB JAY PROSCH (2014, 6TH ROUND, 211TH PICK)

Played in 63-of-64 possible games since getting drafted in 2014, including 13 starts. Blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers in four seasons. Also had 16 special teams tackles from 2014-17.

S ANDRE HAL (2014, 7TH ROUND, 216TH PICK)

Played in 69 games (40 starts) and posted 180 total tackles (124 solo), 12 interceptions, 31 passes defended, six tackles for loss, two forced fumbles, two quarterback hits and 1.0 sack. Led the Texans with 12 interceptions from 2014-18.

DE CHRISTIAN COVINGTON (2015, 6TH ROUND, 216TH PICK)

Appeared in 50 games, including nine starts, after getting drafted in 2015. Registered 65 total tackles (39 solo), 7.5 sacks, 16 quarterback hits, 11 tackles for loss, one forced fumble and one pass defended from 2015-18.

NT D.J. READER (2016, 5TH ROUND, 166TH PICK)

Started 52-of-61 games from 2016-19 and compiled 154 total tackles, 6.5 sacks, 24 quarterback hits, 16 tackles for loss and one pass defended. Became the third rookie in franchise history to record a sack in the post-season in the 2016 Wild Card, joining OLB Brooks Reed and DE J.J. Watt

TEXANS DRAFT SLOTS (2010-20)

Below is a look at who has been drafted with the selections the Texans have in the 2020 NFL Draft since 2010.

#40 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Koa Misi	DE	Utah	Miami Dolphins
2011	Bruce Carter	LB	North Carolina	Dallas Cowboys
2012	Amini Silatolu	G	Midwestern State	Carolina Panthers
2013	Tank Carradine	DE	Florida State	San Francisco 49ers
2014	Kyle Van Noy	LB	BYU	Detroit Lions
2015	Dorial Green-Beckham	WR	Missouri	Tennessee Titans
2016	Sterling Shepard	WR	Oklahoma	New York Giants
2017	Curtis Samuel	WR	Ohio State	Carolina Panthers
2018	Courtland Sutton	WR	SMU	Denver Broncos
2019	Trayvon Mullen	CB	Clemson	Oakland Raiders
2020	Ross Blacklock	DT	TCU	Houston Texans

#90 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Taylor Price	WR	Ohio	New England Patriots
2011	Curtis Marsh	CB	Utah State	Philadelphia Eagles
2012	Jake Bequette	DE	Arkansas	New England Patriots
2013	Kayvon Webster	CB	South Florida	Denver Broncos
2014	Donte Moncrief	WR	Ole Miss	Indianapolis Colts
2015	Carl Davis	DT	Iowa	Baltimore Ravens
2016	C. J. Prosise	RB	Notre Dame	Seattle Seahawks
2017	Shaquill Griffin	CB	UCF	Seattle Seahawks
2018	Deadrin Senat	DT	South Florida	Atlanta Falcons
2019	Connor McGovern	G	Penn State	Dallas Cowboys
2020	Jonathan Greenard	OLB	Florida	Houston Texans

#126 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Akwasi Owusu-Ansah	CB	Indiana (PA)	Dallas Cowboys
2011	Bilal Powell	RB	Louisville	New York Jets
2012	Jared Crick	DE	Nebraska	Houston Texans
2013	William Gholston	DE	Michigan State	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
2014	Khairi Fortt	LB	California	New Orleans Saints
2015	Mike Davis	RB	South Carolina	San Francisco 49ers
2016	Demarcus Robinson	WR	Florida	Kansas City Chiefs
2017	Howard Wilson	CB	Houston	Cleveland Browns
2018	Ito Smith	RB	Southern Miss	Atlanta Falcons
2019	Riley Ridley	WR	Georgia	Chicago Bears
2020	Charlie Heck	T	North Carolina	Houston Texans

#141 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Joshua Moore	CB	Kansas State	Chicago Bears
2011	D. J. Williams	TE	Arkansas	Green Bay Packers
2012	Adam Gettis	G	Iowa	Washington Redskins
2013	Oday Aboushi	G	Virginia	New York Jets
2014	Taylor Hart	DE	Oregon	Philadelphia Eagles
2015	Martrell Spaight	LB	Arkansas	Washington Redskins
2016	Zack Sanchez	CB	Oklahoma	Carolina Panthers
2017	Chad Hansen	WR	California	New York Jets
2018	Shaquem Griffin	LB	UCF	Seattle Seahawks
2019	Zach Gentry	TE	Michigan	Pittsburgh Steelers
2020	John Reid	CB	Penn State	Houston Texans

#171 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2010	Shann Schillinger	S	Montana	Atlanta Falcons
2011	Quan Sturdivant	LB	North Carolina	Arizona Cardinals
2012	Greg Zuerlein	K	Missouri Western	St. Louis Rams
2013	Corey Fuller	WR	Virginia Tech	Detroit Lions
2014	Jordan Tripp	LB	Montana	Miami Dolphins
2015	Nick Boyle	TE	Delaware	Baltimore Ravens
2016	Alex Collins	RB	Arkansas	Seattle Seahawks
2017	Nathan Peterman	QB	Pittsburgh	Buffalo Bills
2018	Mike White	QB	Western Kentucky	Dallas Cowboys
2019	Darius Slayton	WR	Auburn	N.Y. Giants
2020	Isaiah Coulter	WR	Rhode Island	Houston Texans



The Texans drafted DE Jared Crick with the 126th overall pick in the 2012 NFL Draft out of Nebraska. Crick went on to play in 63 games (32 starts) from 2012-15 with Houston and posted 5.5 sacks.

TEXANS DRAFT DAY TRADE HISTORY

The Texans have executed 26 draft day trades. Below is a look at those trades and who was selected with the acquired picks:

Year	Partner	Gave Up	Received
2020	New Orleans	7th round (240)	2021 sixth-round pick
2020	L.A. Rams	4th round (136)	4th round (126 - Charlie Heck)
		7th round (248)	
		7th round (250)	
2020	Miami	4th round (111)	4th round (136 – traded)
			4th round (141 – John Reid)
2017	Cleveland	1st round (25)	1st round (12 – Deshaun Watson)
		1st round in 2018	
2016	Atlanta	2nd round (52)	2nd round (50 – Nick Martin)
		6th round (195)	
2016	Washington	1st round (22)	1st round (21 – Will Fuller V)
		6th round in 2017	
2015	N.Y. Jets	WR DeVier Posey	3rd round (70 – Jaelen Strong)
		3rd round (82)	
		5th round (152)	
		7th round (229)	
2015	Cleveland	2nd round (51)	2nd round (43 – Benardrick McKinney)
		4th round (116)	7th round (229 – traded)
		6th round (195)	
2014	Philadelphia	4th round (101)	3rd round (83 – Louis Nix III)
		5th round (141)	
2013	Oakland	6th round (184)	6th round (176 – David Quessenberry)
		7th round (233)	
2013	St. Louis	5th round (160)	6th round (184 – traded)
			6th round (198 – Chris Jones)
2012	Tampa Bay	2nd round (58)	3rd round (68 – DeVier Posey)
		7th round (233)	4th round (126 – Jared Crick)
2011	Washington	4th round (105)	4th round (127 – Roc Carmichael)
		6th round (178)	5th round (144 – Shiloh Keo)
			5th round (152 – T.J. Yates)
2011	New England	3rd round (73)	2nd round (60 – Brandon Harris)
		5th round (138)	
2010	Kansas City	3rd round (93)	4th round (102 – Darryl Sharpton)
			5th round (144 – Sherrick McManis)
2010	New England	2nd round (62)	2nd round (58 – Ben Tate)
		5th round (150)	
2010	Minnesota	2nd round (51)	2nd round (62 – traded)
			3rd round (93 – traded)
2008	Baltimore	1st round (18)	1st round (26 – Duane Brown)
			3rd round (89 – Steve Slaton)
			6th round (173 – Dominique Barber)
2007	New Orleans	4th round (107)	4th round (123 – Fred Bennett)
			5th round (163 – Brandon Frye)
2005	New Orleans	1st round (13)	1st round (16 – Travis Johnson)
			2006 3rd round (66 – Eric Winston)
2004	Jacksonville	5th round (159)	6th round (175 – Jammal Lord)
			7th round (210 – Raheem Orr)
2004	Tennessee	2nd round (40)	1st round (27 – Jason Babin)
		3rd round (71)	5th round (159 – traded)
		4th round (103)	
		5th round (138)	
2003	Indianapolis	5th round (138)	2004 4th round (122 – Glenn Earl)
2003	Oakland	3rd round (83)	2004 2nd round (supplemental – Tony Hollings)
		7th round (262)	
2003	New England	2nd round (36)	2nd round (41 – Bennie Joppru)
		4th round (117)	3rd round (75 – Seth Wand)
2002	Atlanta	4th round (116)	2003 3rd (88 – Dave Ragone)

April 21, 2002: Traded fourth-round pick in 2002 to Atlanta in exchange for 2003 third-round pick (88th overall-Dave Ragone).

April 26, 2003: Traded second-round pick (36th overall) and fourth-round pick (117th) to New England for second-round pick (41st-Bennie Joppru) and third-round pick (75th overall-Seth Wand).

Traded third-round pick (83rd overall) and seventh-round pick (262nd overall) to Oakland in exchange for 2004 second-round pick (supplemental draft pick-Tony Hollings).

April 27, 2003: Traded fifth-round pick (138th overall) to Indianapolis for 2004 fourth-round pick (122nd overall-Glenn Earl).

April 24, 2004: Traded second-round pick (40th overall), third-round pick (71st overall), fourth-round pick (103rd overall) to Tennessee

in exchange for first-round pick (27th overall-Jason Babin); also exchanged fifth-round picks (138th to 159th overall) with Tennessee.

April 25, 2004: Traded fifth-round pick (159th overall) to Jacksonville in exchange for sixth-round pick (175th overall - Jammal Lord) and seventh-round pick (210th overall - Raheem Orr).

April 23, 2005: Traded first-round pick (13th overall) to New Orleans in exchange for first round pick (16th overall-Travis Johnson) in 2005 draft and third-round selection in 2006 draft (66th overall-Eric Winston).

April 29, 2007: Traded fourth-round draft pick (107th overall) to the New Orleans Saints in exchange for the Saints 2007 fourth-round pick (123rd overall-Fred Bennett) and a 2007 fifth-round pick (163rd overall-Brandon Frye).

April 26, 2008: Traded first-round pick (No. 18 overall) to the Baltimore Ravens for first-round pick (No. 26 overall-Duane Brown) a third-round pick (89th overall-Steve Slaton) and a sixth-round pick (173rd overall- Dominique Barber).

April 23, 2010: Traded second-round pick (51st overall) to the Minnesota Vikings in exchange for Minnesota's second- and third-round picks (62nd and 93rd, respectively).

Traded the 62nd overall pick and a fifth-round pick (150th overall) to New England in exchange for the 58th overall pick in Round 2 (RB Ben Tate).

Traded the 93rd pick to Kansas City in exchange for fourth-round pick (102nd overall - LB Darryl Sharpton) and a fifth-rounder (144th overall - CB Sherrick McManis) from the Chiefs.

April 29, 2011: Traded a third- (73rd overall) and fifth-round (138th overall) pick with New England for a second-round (60th overall) pick. Houston selected Miami CB Brandon Harris with its new pick.

April 30, 2011: Acquired a fourth-round pick (127th overall) and two fifth-round picks (144th and 152nd) from the Washington Redskins in exchange for the Texans' original fourth-round pick (105th overall) and sixth-round pick (178th). With their picks, Houston selected Virginia Tech CB Roc Carmichael (127th overall), Idaho S Shiloh Keo (144th) and North Carolina QB T.J. Yates (152nd) with those acquired picks.

April 27, 2012: Traded second- and seventh-round picks (58th and 233rd overall) to Tampa Bay for picks in the third and fourth rounds. The Texans selected WR DeVier Posey with the 68th overall pick and DE Jared Crick with the 126th overall pick.

April 27, 2013: Traded fifth-round pick (160th overall) to St. Louis for two picks in the sixth round (184th and 198th overall). The Texans included the 184th pick in a subsequent trade and selected DT Chris Jones with the 198th overall pick.

Traded sixth-round pick (184th overall) and seventh-round pick (233rd overall) to Oakland for a sixth-round pick (176th overall). The Texans selected T David Quessenberry with that pick.

May 9, 2014: Traded fourth- and fifth-round picks (101st and 141st overall) to Philadelphia for a third-round pick (83rd overall). The Texans selected NT Louis Nix III with that pick.

May 1, 2015: Traded second-, fourth-, and sixth-round picks (51st, 116th and 195th overall) to Cleveland for a second- and seventh-round pick (43rd and 229th overall). The Texans selected LB Benardrick McKinney with the second-round pick and traded the seventh-round pick.

Traded WR DeVier Posey and third-, fifth- and seventh-round picks (82nd, 152nd and 229th overall) for a third-round pick (70th overall). The Texans selected WR Jaelen Strong with the pick.

April 28, 2016: Traded first-round pick (22nd overall) in 2016 and sixth-round pick in 2017 to Washington for a first-round pick (21st overall). The Texans selected WR Will Fuller V with the pick.

April 29, 2016: Traded second-round (52nd overall) and sixth-round (195th overall) picks in 2016 to Atlanta for a second-round pick (50th overall). The Texans selected C Nick Martin with the pick.

April 27, 2017: Traded first-round pick (25th overall) and first-round pick in 2018 to Cleveland for the 12th overall pick. The Texans selected QB Deshaun Watson with the pick.

April 25, 2020: Traded fourth-round pick (111th overall) to Miami for two fourth-round picks (136th and 141st overall). The Texans then traded the 136th pick and selected John Reid at No. 141.

Traded fourth-round pick (136th overall) and two seventh-round picks (248th and 250th overall) to the L.A. Rams for a fourth-round pick (126th). Houston selected Charlie Heck with the pick.

Traded seventh-round pick (240th overall) to New Orleans for a 2021 sixth-round pick.

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY YEAR

2002

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	1	QB David Carr	Fresno State
2	33	WR Jabar Gaffney	Florida
2	50	T Chester Pitts	San Diego State
3	66	C Fred Weary	Tennessee
3	83	DT Charles Hill	Maryland
4	99	RB Jonathan Wells	Ohio State
5	136	FB Jarrod Baxter	New Mexico
5	153	FS Ramon Walker	Pittsburgh
6	173	CB DeMarcus Faggins	Kansas State
6	190	DT Howard Green	LSU
7	229	LB Greg White	Minnesota
7	261	DT Ahmad Miller	UNLV
2002 SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT			
6		G Milford Brown	Florida State

2003

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	3	WR Andre Johnson	Miami
2	41	*TE Bennie Joppru	Michigan
3	67	DE Antwan Peek	Cincinnati
3	75	T Seth Wand	NW Missouri St.
3	88	QB Dave Ragone	Louisville
4	104	RB Domanick Davis	LSU
6	192	QB Drew Henson	Michigan
6	214	DT Keith Wright	Missouri
7	217	SS Curry Burns	Louisville
7	233	LS Chance Pearce	Texas A&M
2003 SUPPLEMENTAL DRAFT			
2		RB Tony Hollings	Georgia Tech

2004

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	10	CB Dunta Robinson	South Carolina
1	27	DE Jason Babin	Western Michigan
4	122	S Glenn Earl	Notre Dame
6	170	CB Vontez Duff	Notre Dame
6	175	FS Jammal Lord	Nebraska
6	200	LB Charlie Anderson	Mississippi
7	210	DE Raheem Orr	Rutgers
7	211	WR Sloan Thomas	Texas
7	248	QB B.J. Symons	Texas Tech

2005

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	16	DT Travis Johnson	Florida State
3	73	WR Vernand Morency	Oklahoma State
4	114	RB Jerome Mathis	Hampton
5	151	C Drew Hodgdon	Arizona State
6	188	SS C.C. Brown	La.-Lafayette
7	227	LB Kenneth Pettway	Grambling State

2006

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	1	DE Mario Williams	North Carolina St.
2	33	LB DeMeco Ryans	Alabama
3	65	T Charles Spencer	Pittsburgh
3	66	T Eric Winston	Miami
4	98	TE Owen Daniels	Wisconsin
6	170	RB Wali Lundy	Virginia
7	251	WR David Anderson	Colorado State

2007

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	10	DT Amobi Okoye	Louisville
3	73	WR Jacoby Jones	Lane College
4	123	CB Fred Bennett	South Carolina
5	144	*S Brandon Harrison	Stanford
5	163	T Brandon Frye	Virginia Tech
6	183	G Kasey Studdard	Texas
7	218	LB Zac Diles	Kansas State

2008

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	26	T Duane Brown	Virginia Tech
3	79	CB Antwaun Molden	Eastern Kentucky
3	89	RB Steve Slaton	West Virginia
4	118	LB Xavier Adibi	Virginia Tech
5	151	DT Frank Okam	Texas
6	173	S Dominique Barber	Minnesota
7	223	QB Alex Brink	Washington St.

2009

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	15	LB Brian Cushing	USC
2	46	DE Connor Barwin	Cincinnati
3	77	G Antoine Caldwell	Alabama
4	112	CB Glover Quin	New Mexico
4	122	TE Anthony Hill	North Carolina St.
5	152	TE James Casey	Rice
6	188	CB Brice McCain	Utah
7	223	*S Troy Nolan	Arizona State

2010

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	20	CB Kareem Jackson	Alabama
2	58	*RB Ben Tate	Auburn
3	81	DT Earl Mitchell	Arizona
4	102	LB Darryl Sharpton	Miami
4	118	TE Garrett Graham	Wisconsin
5	144	CB Sherrick McManis	Northwestern
6	187	G Shelley Smith	Colorado State
6	197	*WR Trindon Holliday	LSU
7	227	TE Dorin Dickerson	Pittsburgh

2011

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	11	DE J.J. Watt	Wisconsin
2	42	OLB Brooks Reed	Arizona
2	60	CB Brandon Harris	Miami
4	127	*CB Roc Carmichael	Virginia Tech
5	144	S Shiloh Keo	Idaho
5	152	QB T.J. Yates	North Carolina
7	214	T Derek Newton	Arkansas State
7	254	OLB Cheta Ozougwu	Rice

2012

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	26	OLB Whitney Mercilus	Illinois
3	68	WR DeVier Posey	Ohio State
3	76	G Brandon Brooks	Miami (Ohio)
4	99	C Ben Jones	Georgia
4	121	WR Keshawn Martin	Michigan State
4	126	DE Jared Crick	Nebraska
5	161	*K Randy Bullock	Texas A&M
6	195	T Nick Mondek	Purdue

2013

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	27	WR DeAndre Hopkins	Clemson
2	57	S D.J. Swearinger	South Carolina
3	89	*T Brennan Williams	North Carolina
3	95	OLB Sam Montgomery	LSU
4	124	*OLB Trevardo Williams	Connecticut
6	176	*T David Quessenberry	San Jose State
6	195	*WR Alan Bonner	Jacksonville St.
6	198	DT Chris Jones	Bowling Green
6	201	TE Ryan Griffin	Connecticut

2014

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	1	OLB Jadeveon Clowney	South Carolina
2	33	G Xavier Su'a-Filo	UCLA
3	65	TE C.J. Fiedorowicz	Iowa
3	83	*NT Louis Nix III	Notre Dame
4	135	QB Tom Savage	Pittsburgh
6	177	DE Jeffrey Pagan	Alabama
6	181	RB Alfred Blue	LSU
6	211	FB Jay Prosch	Auburn
7	216	CB Andre Hal	Vanderbilt
7	256	*S Lonnie Ballentine	Memphis

2015

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	16	CB Kevin Johnson	Wake Forest
2	43	LB Benardrick McKinney	Mississippi St.
3	70	WR Jaelen Strong	Arizona St.
5	175	WR Keith Mumphery	Michigan St.
6	211	*LB Reshard Cliett	South Florida
6	216	DT Christian Covington	Rice
7	235	RB Kenny Hilliard	LSU

2016

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	21	WR Will Fuller V	Notre Dame
2	50	*C Nick Martin	Notre Dame
3	85	WR Braxton Miller	Ohio State
4	119	RB Tyler Ervin	San Jose State
5	159	*S K.J. Dillon	West Virginia
5	166	NT D.J. Reader	Clemson

2017

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	12	*QB Deshaun Watson	Clemson
2	57	ILB Zach Cunningham	Vanderbilt
3	89	*RB D'Onta Foreman	Texas
4	130	T Juliën Davenport	Bucknell
4	142	DE Carlos Watkins	Clemson
5	169	CB Treston Decoud	Oregon State
7	243	C Kyle Fuller	Baylor

2018

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
3	68	S Justin Reid	Stanford
3	80	T Martin Rankin	Mississippi St.
3	98	TE Jordan Akins	Central Florida
4	103	WR Keke Coutee	Texas Tech
6	177	OLB Duke Ejirofor	Wake Forest
6	211	TE Jordan Thomas	Mississippi St.
6	214	OLB Peter Kalambayi	Stanford
7	222	*CB Jermaine Kelly Jr.	San Jose State

2019

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
1	23	T Tytus Howard	Alabama State
2	54	CB Lonnie Johnson Jr.	Kentucky
2	55	G/T Max Scharping	Northern Illinois
3	86	*TE Kahale Warring	San Diego State
5	161	DE Charles Omenihu	Texas
6	195	CB Xavier Crawford	Central Michigan
7	220	FB Cullen Gillaspia	Texas A&M

2020

Rd	Pk	Pos. Player	College
2	40	DT Ross Blacklock	TCU
3	90	OLB Jonathan Greenard	Florida
4	126	T Charlie Heck	North Carolina
4	141	CB John Reid	Penn State
5	171	WR Isaiah Coulter	Rhode Island

Bold indicates made active roster that season.
* Indicates placed on injured reserve.

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY POSITION

LINEBACKERS (19)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2004	Charlie Anderson	6	200
2005	Kenneth Pettway	7	227
2006	DeMeco Ryans	2	33
2007	Zac Diles	7	218
2008	Xavier Adibi	4	118
2009	Brian Cushing	1	15
2010	Darryl Sharpton	4	102
2011	Brooks Reed	2	42
2011	Cheta Ozougwu	7	254
2012	Whitney Mercilus	1	26
2013	Sam Montgomery	3	95
2013	Trevarde Williams	4	124
2014	Jadeveon Clowney	1	1
2015	Benardrick McKinney	2	43
2015	Reshard Cliett	6	211
2017	Zach Cunningham	2	57
2018	Duke Ejirofor	6	177
2018	Peter Kalambayi	6	214
2020	Jonathan Greenard	3	90

CORNERBACKS (18)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	DeMarcus Faggins	6	173
2004	Dunta Robinson	1	10
2004	Vontez Duff	6	170
2007	Fred Bennett	4	123
2008	Antwaun Molden	3	79
2009	Glover Quin	4	112
2009	Brice McCain	6	188
2010	Kareem Jackson	1	20
2010	Sherrick McManis	5	144
2011	Brandon Harris	2	60
2011	Roc Carmichael	4	127
2014	Andre Hal	7	216
2015	Kevin Johnson	1	16
2017	Treston Decoud	5	169
2018	Jermaine Kelly Jr.	7	222
2019	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	2	54
2019	Xavier Crawford	6	195
2020	John Reid	4	141

WIDE RECEIVERS (17)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Jabar Gaffney	2	33
2003	Andre Johnson	1	3
2004	Sloan Thomas	7	211
2005	Jerome Mathis	4	114
2006	David Anderson	7	251
2007	Jacoby Jones	3	73
2010	Trindon Holliday	6	197
2012	DeVier Posey	3	68
2012	Keshawn Martin	4	121
2013	DeAndre Hopkins	1	27
2013	Alan Bonner	6	195
2015	Jaelen Strong	3	70
2015	Keith Mumphery	5	175
2016	Will Fuller V	1	21
2016	Braxton Miller	3	85
2018	Keke Coutee	4	103
2020	Isaiah Coulter	5	171

OFFENSIVE TACKLES (14)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Chester Pitts	2	50
2003	Seth Wand	3	75
2006	Charles Spencer	3	65
2006	Eric Winston	3	66
2007	Brandon Frye	5	163
2008	Duane Brown	1	26
2011	Derek Newton	7	214
2012	Nick Mondek	6	195
2013	Brennan Williams	3	89
2013	David Quessenberry	6	176
2017	Julián Davenport	4	130
2018	Martinas Rankin	3	80
2019	Tytus Howard	1	23
2020	Charlie Heck	4	126

RUNNING BACKS/FULLBACKS (13)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Jonathan Wells	4	99
2002	Jarrod Baxter (FB)	5	136
2003	Domanick Williams	4	101
2005	Vernand Morency	3	73
2006	Wali Lundy	6	170
2008	Steve Slaton	3	89
2010	Ben Tate	2	33
2014	Alfred Blue	6	181
2014	Jay Prosch (FB)	6	211
2015	Kenny Hilliard	7	235
2016	Tyler Ervin	4	119
2017	D'Onta Foreman	3	89
2019	Cullen Gillaspia (FB)	7	220

SAFETIES (13)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Ramon Walker	5	153
2003	Curry Burns	7	217
2004	Glenn Earl	4	122
2004	Jammal Lord	6	175
2005	C.C. Brown	6	188
2007	Brandon Harrison	5	144
2008	Dominique Barber	6	173
2009	Troy Nolan	7	223
2011	Shiloh Keo	5	144
2013	D.J. Swearinger	2	57
2014	Lonnie Ballentine	7	256
2016	K.J. Dillon	5	159
2018	Justin Reid	3	68

DEFENSIVE TACKLES (13)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Charles Hill	3	83
2002	Howard Green	6	190
2002	Ahmad Miller	7	261
2003	Keith Wright	6	214
2005	Travis Johnson	1	16
2007	Amobi Okoye	1	10
2008	Frank Okam	5	151
2010	Earl Mitchell	3	81
2013	Chris Jones	6	198
2014	Louis Nix III	3	83
2015	Christian Covington	6	216
2016	D.J. Reader	5	166
2020	Ross Blacklock	2	40

TIGHT ENDS (11)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2003	Bennie Joppru	2	41
2006	Owen Daniels	4	98
2009	Anthony Hill	4	122
2009	James Casey	5	152
2010	Garrett Graham	4	118
2010	Dorin Dickerson	7	227
2013	Ryan Griffin	6	201
2014	C.J. Fiedorowicz	3	65
2018	Jordan Akins	3	98
2018	Jordan Thomas	6	211
2019	Kahale Warring	3	86

DEFENSIVE ENDS (11)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Stylez G White	7	229
2003	Antwan Peek	3	67
2004	Jason Babin	1	27
2004	Raheem Orr	7	210
2006	Mario Williams	1	1
2009	Connor Barwin	2	46
2011	J.J. Watt	1	11
2012	Jared Crick	4	126
2014	Jeffrey Pagan	6	177
2017	Carlos Watkins	4	142
2019	Charles Omenihu	5	161

QUARTERBACKS (8)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	David Carr	1	1
2003	Dave Ragone	3	88
2004	Drew Henson	6	192
2004	B.J. Symons	7	248
2008	Alex Brink	7	223
2011	T.J. Yates	5	152
2014	Tom Savage	4	135
2017	Deshaun Watson	1	12

CENTERS/LONG SNAPPERS (6)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2002	Fred Weary	3	66
2003	Chance Pearce (LS)	7	233
2005	Drew Hodgdon	5	151
2012	Ben Jones	4	99
2016	Nick Martin	2	50
2017	Kyle Fuller	7	243

GUARDS (6)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2007	Kasey Studdard	6	183
2009	Antoine Caldwell	3	77
2010	Shelley Smith	6	187
2012	Brandon Brooks	3	76
2014	Xavier Su'a-Filo	2	33
2019	Max Scharping	2	55

KICKERS/PUNTERS (1)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2012	Randy Bullock	5	161

NOTE: Some players played different positions after being drafted.

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY COLLEGE

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LSU

DT	Howard Green	2002
RB	Domanick Davis	2003
WR	Trindon Holliday	2010
OLB	Sam Montgomery	2013
RB	Alfred Blue	2014
RB	Kenny Hilliard	2015

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TEXAS

WR	Sloan Thomas	2004
G	Kasey Studdard	2007
DT	Frank Okam	2008
RB	D'Onta Foreman	2017
DE	Charles Omenihu	2019

NOTRE DAME

S	Glenn Earl	2004
CB	Vontez Duff	2004
NT	Louis Nix III	2014
WR	Will Fuller V	2016
C	Nick Martin	2016

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ALABAMA

LB	DeMeco Ryans	2006
C	Antoine Caldwell	2009
CB	Kareem Jackson	2010
DE	Jeffrey Pagan	2014

CLEMSON

WR	DeAndre Hopkins	2013
NT	D.J. Reader	2016
DE	Carlos Watkins	2017
QB	Deshaun Watson	2017

MIAMI

WR	Andre Johnson	2003
T	Eric Winston	2006
LB	Darryl Sharpton	2010
CB	Brandon Harris	2011

NORTH CAROLINA

QB	T.J. Yates	2011
T	Brennan Williams	2013
T	Charlie Heck	2020

PITTSBURGH

S	Ramon Walker	2002
T	Charles Spencer	2006
WR	Dorin Dickerson	2010
QB	Tom Savage	2014

SOUTH CAROLINA

CB	Dunta Robinson	2004
CB	Fred Bennett	2007
S	D.J. Swearinger	2013
OLB	Jadeveon Clowney	2014

VIRGINIA TECH

T	Brandon Frye	2007
T	Duane Brown	2008
LB	Xavier Adibi	2008
CB	Roc Carmichael	2011

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ARIZONA STATE

C	Drew Hodgdon	2005
S	Troy Nolan	2009
WR	Jaelen Strong	2015

LOUISVILLE

QB	Dave Ragone	2003
S	Curry Burns	2003
DT	Amobi Okoye	2007

MISSISSIPPI STATE

LB	Benardrick McKinney	2015
T	Martinas Rankin	2018
TE	Jordan Thomas	2018

OHIO STATE

RB	Jonathan Wells	2002
WR	DeVier Posey	2012
WR	Braxton Miller	2016

RICE

TE	James Casey	2009
LB	Cheta Ozougwu	2011
DT	Christian Covington	2015

SAN JOSE STATE

T	David Quessenberry	2013
RB	Tyler Ervin	2016
CB	Jermaine Kelly Jr.	2018

STANFORD

S	Brandon Harrison	2007
S	Justin Reid	2018
OLB	Peter Kalambayi	2018

TEXAS A&M

LS/C	Chance Pearce	2003
K	Randy Bullock	2012
FB	Cullen Gillaspia	2019

WISCONSIN

TE	Owen Daniels	2006
TE	Garrett Graham	2010
DE	J.J. Watt	2011

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ARIZONA

DT	Earl Mitchell	2010
LB	Brooks Reed	2011

AUBURN

RB	Ben Tate	2010
FB	Jay Prosch	2014

CINCINNATI

LB	Antwan Peek	2003
DE	Connor Barwin	2009

COLORADO STATE

WR	David Anderson	2006
G	Shelley Smith	2010

CONNECTICUT

OLB	Trevardo Williams	2013
TE	Ryan Griffin	2013

FLORIDA

WR	Jabar Gaffney	2002
OLB	Jonathan Greenard	2020

KANSAS STATE

CB	DeMarcus Faggins	2002
LB	Zac Diles	2007

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MICHIGAN

TE	Bennie Joppru	2003
QB	Drew Henson	2003

MICHIGAN STATE

WR	Keshawn Martin	2012
WR	Keith Mumphery	2015

MINNESOTA

LB	Greg White	2002
S	Dominique Barber	2008

NEBRASKA

S	Jammal Lord	2004
DE	Jared Crick	2012

NEW MEXICO

FB	Jarrod Baxter	2002
CB	Glover Quin	2009

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

DE	Mario Williams	2006
TE	Anthony Hill	2009

SAN DIEGO STATE

T	Chester Pitts	2002
TE	Kahale Warring	2019

TEXAS TECH

QB	B.J. Symons	2004
WR	Keke Coutee	2018

VANDERBILT

CB	Andre Hal	2014
ILB	Zach Cunningham	2017

WAKE FOREST

CB	Kevin Johnson	2015
OLB	Duke Ejiofor	2018

WEST VIRGINIA

RB	Steve Slaton	2008
S	K.J. Dillon	2016

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ALABAMA STATE

T	Tytus Howard	2019
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ARKANSAS STATE

T	Derek Newton	2011
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BAYLOR

C	Kyle Fuller	2017
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BOWLING GREEN

DT	Chris Jones	2013
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BUCKNELL

T	Julién Davenport	2017
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CENTRAL FLORIDA

TE	Jordan Akins	2018
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CENTRAL MICHIGAN

CB	Xavier Crawford	2019
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EASTERN KENTUCKY

CB	Antwaun Molden	2008
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FLORIDA STATE

DT	Travis Johnson	2005
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FRESNO STATE

QB	David Carr	2002
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GEORGIA

C	Ben Jones	2012
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GRAMBLING

LB	Kenneth Pettway	2005
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HAMPTON

WR	Jerome Mathis	2005
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IDAHO

S	Shiloh Keo	2011
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ILLINOIS

OLB	Whitney Mercilus	2012
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IOWA

TE	C.J. Fiedorowicz	2014
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JACKSONVILLE STATE

WR	Alan Bonner	2013
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KENTUCKY

CB	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	2019
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LANE COLLEGE

WR	Jacoby Jones	2007
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LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE

S	C.C. Brown	2005
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MARYLAND

DT	Charles Hill	2002
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MEMPHIS

S	Lonnie Ballentine	2014
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MIAMI (OHIO)

G	Brandon Brooks	2012
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MISSISSIPPI

LB	Charlie Anderson	2004
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MISSOURI

DT	Keith Wright	2003
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NORTHERN ILLINOIS

G/T	Max Scharping	2019
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NORTHWEST MISSOURI ST.

T	Seth Wand	2003
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NORTHWESTERN

CB	Sherrick McManis	2010
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OKLAHOMA STATE

RB	Vernand Morency	2005
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OREGON STATE

CB	Treston Decoud	2017
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PENN STATE

CB	John Reid	2020
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PURDUE

T	Nick Mondek	2012
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RHODE ISLAND

WR	Isaiah Coulter	2020
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RUTGERS

LB	Raheem Orr	2004
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SOUTH FLORIDA

LB	Reshard Cliett	2015
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TCU

DT	Ross Blacklock	2020
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TENNESSEE

G	Fred Weary	2002
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UCLA

G	Xavier Su'a-Filo	2014
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UNLV

DT	Ahmad Miller	2002
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USC

LB	Brian Cushing	2009
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UTAH

CB	Brice McCain	2009
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VIRGINIA

RB	Wali Lundy	2006
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WASHINGTON STATE

QB	Alex Brink	2008
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WESTERN MICHIGAN

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TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY ROUND

First (18)		Second (16)		Third (27)		Fourth (23)		Fifth (17)		Sixth (28)		Seventh (21)	
2002 1-1	QB David Carr Fresno State	2002 1-33	WR Jabar Gaffney Florida	2002 1-66	C Fred Weary Tennessee	2002 1-99	RB Jonathan Wells Ohio State	2002 1-136	RB Jarrod Baxter New Mexico	2002 1-173	CB Demarcus Faggins Kansas State	2002 18-229	DE Stylez G White Minnesota
2003 3-3	WR Andre Johnson Miami (Fla.)	2002 18-50	T Chester Pitts San Diego State	2002 18-83	DT Charles Hill Maryland	2003 4-101	RB Domanick Williams LSU	2002 18-153	S Ramon Walker Pittsburgh	2002 18-190	DT Howard Green LSU	2002 50-261	DT Ahmad Miller UNLV
2004 10-10	CB Dunta Robinson South Carolina	2003 9-41	TE Bennie Joppru Michigan	2003 3-67	DE Antwan Peek Cincinnati	2004 26-122	S Glenn Earl Notre Dame	2005 15-151	C Drew Hodgdon Arizona State	2003 19-192	QB Drew Henson Michigan	2003 3-217	S Curry Burns Louisville
2004 27-27	LB Jason Babin Western Michigan	2006 1-33	LB DeMeco Ryans Alabama	2003 11-75	T Seth Wand NW Missouri State	2005 13-114	WR Jerome Mathis Hampton	2007 7-144	S Brandon Harrison Stanford	2003 41-214	DT Keith Wright Missouri	2003 19-233	C Chance Pearce Texas A&M
2005 16-16	DT Travis Johnson Florida State	2009 14-49	DE Connor Barwin Cincinnati	2003 24-88	QB Dave Ragone Louisville	2006 1-98	TE Owen Daniels Wisconsin	2007 26-163	T Brandon Frye Virginia Tech	2004 5-170	CB Vontez Duff Notre Dame	2004 9-210	DE Raheem Orr Rutgers
2006 1-1	DE Mario Williams North Carolina State	2010 26-58	RB Ben Tate Auburn	2005 9-73	RB Vernand Morency Oklahoma State	2007 24-123	CB Fred Bennett South Carolina	2008 16-151	DT Frank Okam Texas	2004 10-175	S Jammal Lord Nebraska	2004 10-211	WR Sloan Thomas Texas
2007 10-10	DT Amobi Okoye Louisville	2011 10-42	LB Brooks Reed Arizona	2006 1-65	T Charles Spencer Pittsburgh	2008 19-118	LB Xavier Adibi Virginia Tech	2009 16-152	TE James Casey Rice	2004 35-200	LB Charlie Anderson Mississippi	2004 47-248	QB B.J. Symons Texas Tech
2008 26-26	T Duane Brown Virginia Tech	2011 28-60	CB Brandon Harris Miami (Fla.)	2006 2-66	T Eric Winston Miami (Fla.)	2009 12-112	CB Glover Quin New Mexico	2010 13-144	CB Sherrick McManis Northwestern	2005 14-188	S C.C. Brown Louisiana-Lafayette	2005 13-227	LB Kenny Pettway Grambling State
2009 15-15	LB Brian Cushing USC	2013 25-57	S D.J. Swearingin South Carolina	2007 9-73	WR Jacoby Jones Lane College	2009 22-122	TE Anthony Hill North Carolina St.	2011 13-144	S Shiloh Keo Idaho	2006 1-170	RB Wali Lundy Virginia	2006 43-251	WR David Anderson Colorado State
2010 20-20	CB Kareem Jackson Alabama	2014 1-33	G Xavier Su'a-Filo UCLA	2008 16-79	CB Antwaun Molden Eastern Kentucky	2010 4-102	LB Darryl Sharpton Miami (Fla.)	2011 21-152	QB T.J. Yates North Carolina	2007 9-183	G Kasey Studdard Texas	2007 8-218	LB Zac Diles Kansas State
2011 11-11	DE J.J. Watt Wisconsin	2015 11-43	LB Benardrick McKinney Mississippi State	2008 26-89	RB Steve Slaton West Virginia	2010 20-118	TE Garrett Graham Wisconsin	2012 26-161	K Randy Bullock Texas A&M	2008 7-173	S Dominique Barber Minnesota	2008 16-223	QB Alex Brink Washington State
2012 26-26	OLB Whitney Mercilus Illinois	2016 19-50	C Nick Martin Notre Dame	2009 13-77	G Antoine Caldwell Alabama	2011 30-127	CB Roc Carmichael Virginia Tech	2015 39-175	WR Keith Mumphery Michigan State	2009 15-188	CB Brice McCain Utah	2009 14-223	S Troy Nolan Arizona State
2013 27-27	WR DeAndre Hopkins Clemson	2017 25-57	ILB Zach Cunningham Vanderbilt	2010 17-81	DT Earl Mitchell Arizona	2012 4-99	C Ben Jones Georgia	2016 20-159	S K.J. Dillon West Virginia	2010 18-187	G Shelley Smith Colorado State	2010 20-227	TE Dorin Dickerson Pittsburgh
2014 1-1	DE Jadeveon Clowney South Carolina	2019 22-54	CB Lonnie Johnson Jr. Kentucky	2012 5-68	WR DeVier Posey Ohio State	2012 26-121	WR Keshawn Martin Michigan State	2016 27-166	NT D.J. Reader Clemson	2010 28-197	WR Trindon Holliday LSU	2012 11-214	T Derek Newton Arkansas State
2015 16-16	CB Kevin Johnson Wake Forest	2019 23-55	G/T Max Scharping Northern Illinois	2012 13-76	G Brandon Brooks Miami (Ohio)	2012 31-126	DE Jared Crick Nebraska	2017 25-169	CB Treston Decoud Oregon State	2012 25-195	T Nick Mondek Purdue	2012 51-254	LB Cheta Ozugwu Rice
2016 21-21	WR Will Fuller V Notre Dame	2020 8-40	DT Ross Blacklock TCU	2013 27-89	T Brennan Williams North Carolina	2013 27-124	LB Trevarado Williams Connecticut	2019 23-161	DE Charles Omenihu Texas	2013 8-176	T David Quessenberry San Jose State	2014 1-216	CB Andre Hal Vanderbilt
2017 12-12	QB Deshaun Watson Clemson			2013 33-95	LB Sam Montgomery LSU	2014 35-135	QB Tom Savage Pittsburgh	2020 26-171	WR Isaiah Coulter Rhode Island	2013 27-195	WR Alan Bonner Jacksonville State	2014 41-256	S Lonnie Ballentine Memphis
2019 23-23	T Tytus Howard Alabama State			2014 33-65	TE C.J. Fiedorowicz Iowa	2016 22-159	RB Tyler Ervin San Jose State			2013 30-198	DT Chris Jones Bowling Green	2015 18-235	RB Kenny Hilliard LSU
				2014 19-83	NT Louis Nix III Notre Dame	2017 24-130	T Julién Davenport Bucknell			2013 33-201	TE Ryan Griffin Connecticut	2017 25-243	C Kyle Fuller Baylor
				2015 6-70	WR Jaelen Strong Arizona State	2017 36-142	DE Carlos Watkins Clemson			2014 1-177	DE Jeffrey Pagan Alabama	2018 4-222	CB Jermaine Kelly Jr. San Jose State
				2016 22-85	WR Braxton Miller Ohio State	2018 3-103	WR Keke Coutee Texas Tech			2014 5-181	RB Alfred Blue LSU	2019 6-220	FB Cullen Gillaspia Texas A&M
				2017 25-89	RB D'Onta Foreman Texas	2020 20-124	T Charlie Heck North Carolina			2014 35-211	FB Jay Prosch Auburn		
				2018 4-68	S Justin Reid Stanford	2020 35-141	CB John Reid Penn State			2015 35-211	LB Reshard Cliett South Florida		
				2018 16-80	T Martin Rankin Mississippi State					2015 40-216	DT Christian Covington Rice		
				2018 34-98	TE Jordan Akins Central Florida					2018 3-177	OLB Duke Ejirofor Wake Forest		
				2019 23-86	TE Kahale Warring San Diego State					2018 37-211	TE Jordan Thomas Mississippi State		
				2020 26-90	OLB Jonathan Greenard Florida					2018 40-214	OLB Peter Kalambayi Stanford		
										2019 23-195	CB Xavier Crawford Central Michigan		

TEXANS ROSTER BY ROUND

The Texans have 52 players on their active roster who were drafted, including 10 former first-round picks, seven from the second round, nine from the third round, nine former fourth-round picks, six former fifth-round picks, seven former sixth-round picks and four former seventh-round picks. There are also 24 undrafted players on the Texans' 76-man active roster.

FIRST ROUND (10)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
DE	J.J. Watt	2011	11	Houston
OLB	Whitney Mercilus	2012	26	Houston
WR	Brandin Cooks	2014	20	New Orleans
CB	Bradley Roby	2014	31	Denver
CB	Vernon Hargreaves III	2016	11	Tampa Bay
T	Laremy Tunsil	2016	13	Miami
WR	Will Fuller V	2016	21	Houston
QB	Deshaun Watson	2017	12	Houston
CB	Gareon Conley	2017	24	Oakland
T	Tytus Howard	2019	23	Houston

SECOND ROUND (7)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
WR	Randall Cobb	2011	64	Green Bay
ILB	Benardrick McKinney	2015	43	Houston
C	Nick Martin	2016	50	Houston
ILB	Zach Cunningham	2017	57	Houston
CB	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	2019	54	Houston
G/T	Max Scharping	2019	55	Houston
DT	Ross Blacklock	2020	40	Houston

THIRD ROUND (9)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
P	Bryan Anger	2012	70	Jacksonville
CB	Phillip Gaines	2014	87	Kansas City
RB	Duke Johnson	2015	77	Cleveland
RB	David Johnson	2015	86	Arizona
NT	Eddie Vanderdoes	2017	88	Oakland
S	Justin Reid	2018	68	Houston
TE	Jordan Akins	2018	98	Houston
TE	Kahale Warring	2019	86	Houston
OLB	Jonathan Greenard	2020	90	Houston

FOURTH ROUND (9)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
CB	Jaylen Watkins	2014	101	Philadelphia
DE	Angelo Blackson	2015	100	Tennessee
S	Eric Murray	2016	106	Kansas City
WR	Chad Hansen	2017	141	N.Y. Jets
DE	Carlos Watkins	2017	142	Houston
WR	Keke Coutee	2018	103	Houston
T	Rick Leonard	2018	127	New Orleans
T	Charlie Heck	2020	124	Houston
CB	John Reid	2020	141	Houston

FIFTH ROUND (6)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
G	Senio Kelemete	2012	151	Arizona
WR	Kenny Stills	2013	144	New Orleans
QB	AJ McCarron	2014	164	Cincinnati
T	Roderick Johnson	2018	160	Cleveland
DE	Charles Omenihu	2019	161	Houston
WR	Isaiah Coulter	2020	171	Houston

SIXTH ROUND (7)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
C/G	Zach Fulton	2014	193	Kansas City
T	Kyle Murphy	2016	200	Green Bay
OLB	Duke Ejirofor	2018	177	Houston
OLB	Jacob Martin	2018	186	Seattle
CB	Cornell Armstrong	2018	209	Miami
TE	Jordan Thomas	2018	211	Houston
ILB	Peter Kalambayi	2018	214	Houston

SEVENTH ROUND (4)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
S	Shalom Luani	2017	221	Oakland
QB	Alex McGough	2018	220	Seattle
CB	Keion Crossen	2018	243	New England
FB	Cullen Gillaspia	2019	220	Houston

COLLEGE FREE AGENTS (24)

Pos.	Player	Year	Team
LS	Jon Weeks	2010	Houston
S	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	2012	Cleveland
TE	Darren Fells	2013	Seattle
DE	Brandon Dunn	2014	Chicago
T	Brent Qvale	2014	N.Y. Jets
ILB	Tyrell Adams	2015	Seattle
WR	DeAndre Carter	2015	Baltimore
C/G	Greg Mancz	2015	Houston
K	Ka'imi Fairbairn	2016	Houston
OLB	Chris Landrum	2016	San Diego
OLB	Brennan Scarlett	2016	Houston
ILB	Dylan Cole	2017	Houston
WR	Isaac Whitney	2017	Oakland
OLB	Davin Bellamy	2018	Houston
RB	Buddy Howell	2018	Miami
WR	Steven Mitchell Jr.	2018	L.A. Rams
S	A.J. Moore Jr.	2018	New England
T	Elijah Nkansah	2018	Tennessee
S	Jonathan Owens	2018	Arizona
T	David Steinmetz	2018	Miami
CB	Anthony Chesley	2019	Cincinnati
ILB	Nate Hall	2019	Dallas
RB	Karan Higdon Jr.	2019	Houston
DE	Ira Savage-Lewis	2019	Houston

TEXANS ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
50	Adams, Tyrell	ILB	6-2	230	27	5	West Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA-'18
88	Akins, Jordan	TE	6-4	243	27	3	Central Florida	Locust Grove, Ga.	D3c-'18
9	Anger, Bryan	P	6-3	205	31	9	California	Camarillo, Calif.	FA-'19
30	Armstrong, Cornell	CB	6-0	185	24	3	Southern Miss	Bassfield, Miss.	FA-'19
49	Bellamy, Davin	OLB	6-5	259	25	1	Georgia	Chamblee, Ga.	CFA-'18
	Blacklock, Ross	DT	6-3	290	21	R	TCU	Missouri City, Texas	D2-'20
97	Blackson, Angelo	DE	6-4	319	27	6	Auburn	Bear, Del.	FA-'17
14	Carter, DeAndre	WR	5-8	190	26	3	Sacramento State	San Jose, Calif.	W-'18 (PHI)
43	Chesley, Anthony	CB	6-0	190	23	1	Coastal Carolina	Temple Hills, Md.	FA-'19
	Cobb, Randall	WR	5-10	195	29	10	Kentucky	Maryville, Tenn.	UFA-'20 (DAL)
51	Cole, Dylan	ILB	6-0	237	25	4	Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	CFA-'17
22	Conley, Gareon	CB	6-0	190	24	4	Ohio State	Massillon, Ohio	T-'19 (OAK)
	Cooks, Brandin	WR	5-10	183	26	7	Oregon State	Stockton, Calif.	T-'20 (LAR)
	Coulter, Isaiah	WR	6-2	198		R	Rhode Island	Brandywine, Md.	D5-'20
16	Coutee, Keke	WR	5-11	187	23	3	Texas Tech	Lufkin, Texas	D4-'18
35	Crossen, Keion	CB	5-10	185	23	3	Western Carolina	Garysburg, N.C.	T-'19 (NE)
41	Cunningham, Zach	ILB	6-3	238	25	4	Vanderbilt	Pinson, Ala.	D2-'17
92	Dunn, Brandon	NT	6-2	310	27	5	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	FA-'15
53	Ejiofor, Duke	OLB	6-4	255	24	3	Wake Forest	Houston, Texas	D6a-'18
7	Fairbairn, Ka'imi	K	6-0	183	26	5	UCLA	Kailua, Hawaii	CFA-'16
87	Fells, Darren	TE	6-7	270	33	7	California-Irvine	Fullerton, Calif.	FA-'19
15	Fuller V, Will	WR	6-0	184	25	5	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	D1-'16
73	Fulton, Zach	C/G	6-5	321	28	7	Tennessee	Homewood, Ill.	UFA-'18 (KC)
29	Gaines, Phillip	CB	6-0	193	29	7	Rice	Concord, Mass.	FA-'19
44	Gillaspia, Cullen	FB	6-2	235	24	2	Texas A&M	Katy, Texas	D7-'19
39	Gipson Sr., Tashaun	S	6-1	212	29	9	Wyoming	Dallas, Texas	FA-'19
	Greenard, Jonathan	OLB	6-3	263	22	R	Florida	Hiram, Ga.	D3-'20
48	Hall, Nate	ILB	6-2	235	24	1	Northwestern	Toledo, Ohio	FA-'19
13	Hansen, Chad	WR	6-2	202	25	2	California	Fillmore, Calif.	W-'19 (NO)
28	Hargreaves III, Vernon	CB	5-10	204	24	5	Florida	Tampa, Fla.	W-'19 (TB)
	Heck, Charlie	T	6-8	311	23	R	North Carolina	Kansas City, Mo.	D4a-'20
31	Higdon Jr., Karan	RB	5-10	202	23	1	Michigan	Sarasota, Fla.	CFA-'19
71	Howard, Tytus	G/T	6-5	322	23	2	Alabama State	Monroeville, Ala.	D1-'19
38	Howell, Buddy	RB	6-1	218	24	3	Florida Atlantic	Coconut Grove, Fla.	W-'18 (MIA)
32	Johnson Jr., Lonnie	CB	6-2	213	24	2	Kentucky	Gary, Ind.	D2a-'19
	Johnson, David	RB	6-1	224	28	6	Northern Iowa	Clinton, Iowa	T-'20 (ARI)
25	Johnson, Duke	RB	5-9	210	26	6	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	T-'19 (CLE)
63	Johnson, Roderick	T	6-6	306	24	4	Florida State	Florissant, Mo.	W-'18 (CLE)
58	Kalambayi, Peter	ILB	6-3	254	24	3	Stanford	Matthews, N.C.	D6c-'18
64	Kelemete, Senio	G	6-3	301	29	8	Washington	Seattle, Wash.	UFA-'18 (NO)
42	Landrum, Chris	OLB	6-2	245	27	5	Jacksonville State	Meridian, Miss.	FA-'18
72	Leonard, Rick	T	6-7	311	23	1	Florida State	Middletown, Md.	FA-'18
42	Luani, Shalom	S	6-0	202	25	3	Washington State	Pago Pago, American Samoa	FA-'19
65	Mancz, Greg	C/G	6-4	302	27	6	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'15
54	Martin, Jacob	OLB	6-2	242	24	3	Temple	Katy, Texas	T-'19 (SEA)
66	Martin, Nick	C	6-4	295	26	5	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	D2-'16
2	McCarron, AJ	QB	6-3	215	29	7	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	FA-'19
3	McGough, Alex	QB	6-3	214	24	1	Florida International	Tampa, Fla.	FA-'19
55	McKinney, Benardrick	ILB	6-4	257	27	6	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	D2-'15
59	Mercilus, Whitney	OLB	6-4	258	29	9	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	D1-'12
11	Mitchell Jr., Steven	WR	5-10	186	25	2	Southern California	Pasadena, Calif.	FA-'18
33	Moore Jr., A.J.	S	5-11	200	24	3	Mississippi	Bassfield, Miss.	W-'18 (NE)
68	Murphy, Kyle	T	6-6	305	26	4	Stanford	Mission Viejo, Calif.	FA-'19
	Murray, Eric	S	5-11	199	26	5	Minnesota	Milwaukee, Wis.	UFA-'20 (CLE)
75	Nkansah, Elijah	T	6-5	315	25	1	Toledo	Muncie, Ind.	FA-'19
94	Omenihu, Charles	DE	6-5	280	22	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	D5-'19
36	Owens, Jonathan	S	5-11	210	24	2	Missouri Western St.	St. Louis, Mo.	FA-'19
	Qvale, Brent	T	6-7	315	29	6	Nebraska	Williston, N.D.	UFA-'20 (NYJ)
20	Reid, Justin	S	6-1	203	23	3	Stanford	Prairieville, La.	D3a-'18
	Reid, John	CB	5-10	187	23	R	Penn State	Mount Laurel, N.J.	D4b-'20
21	Roby, Bradley	CB	5-11	194	27	7	Ohio State	Fort Worth, Texas	UFA-'19 (DEN)
96	Savage-Lewis, Ira	DE	6-3	290	24	2	Baylor	Houston, Texas	CFA-'19
57	Scarlett, Brennan	OLB	6-4	263	26	5	Stanford	Portland, Ore.	CFA-'16
74	Scharping, Max	G/T	6-6	327	23	2	Northern Illinois	Green Bay, Wis.	D2b-'19
79	Steinmetz, David	T	6-8	321	25	2	Purdue	Grafton, Mass.	FA-'18
12	Stills, Kenny	WR	6-1	202	27	8	Oklahoma	Encinitas, Calif.	T-'19 (MIA)
83	Thomas, Jordan	TE	6-5	277	23	3	Mississippi State	Sumrall, Miss.	D6b-'18
78	Tunsil, Laremy	T	6-5	313	25	5	Mississippi	Lake City, Fla.	T-'19 (MIA)
95	Vanderdoes, Eddie	NT	6-3	315	25	4	UCLA	Auburn, Calif.	FA-'19
81	Warring, Kahale	TE	6-5	252	23	2	San Diego State	Sonora, Calif.	D3-'19
91	Watkins, Carlos	DE	6-3	297	26	4	Clemson	Mooreboro, N.C.	D4b-'17
	Watkins, Jaylen	S	5-11	194	28	6	Florida	Cape Coral, Fla.	UFA-'20 (LAC)
4	Watson, Deshaun	QB	6-2	215	24	4	Clemson	Gainesville, Ga.	D1-'17
99	Watt, J.J.	DE	6-5	288	31	10	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wis.	D1-'11
46	Weeks, Jon	LS	5-10	242	34	11	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	FA-'10
19	Whitney, Isaac	WR	6-2	204	25	1	Southern California	Moore, Okla.	FA-'18

TEXANS NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	EXP	COLLEGE	HOMETOWN	ACQUIRED
2	AJ McCarron	QB	6-3	215	29	7	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	FA-'19
3	Alex McGough	QB	6-3	214	24	1	Florida International	Tampa, Fla.	FA-'19
4	Deshaun Watson	QB	6-2	215	24	4	Clemson	Gainesville, Ga.	D1-'17
7	Ka'imi Fairbairn	K	6-0	183	26	5	UCLA	Kailua, Hawaii	CFA-'16
9	Bryan Anger	P	6-3	205	31	9	California	Camarillo, Calif.	FA-'19
11	Steven Mitchell Jr.	WR	5-10	186	25	2	Southern California	Pasadena, Calif.	FA-'18
12	Kenny Stills	WR	6-1	202	27	8	Oklahoma	Encinitas, Calif.	T-'19 (MIA)
13	Chad Hansen	WR	6-2	202	25	2	California	Fillmore, Calif.	W-'19 (NO)
14	DeAndre Carter	WR	5-8	190	26	3	Sacramento State	San Jose, Calif.	W-'18 (PHI)
15	Will Fuller V	WR	6-0	184	25	5	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	D1-'16
16	Keke Coutee	WR	5-11	187	23	3	Texas Tech	Lufkin, Texas	D4-'18
19	Isaac Whitney	WR	6-2	204	25	1	Southern California	Moore, Okla.	FA-'18
20	Justin Reid	S	6-1	203	23	3	Stanford	Prairieville, La.	D3a-'18
21	Bradley Roby	CB	5-11	194	27	7	Ohio State	Fort Worth, Texas	UFA-'19 (DEN)
22	Gareon Conley	CB	6-0	190	24	4	Ohio State	Massillon, Ohio	T-'19 (OAK)
25	Duke Johnson	RB	5-9	210	26	6	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	T-'19 (CLE)
28	Vernon Hargreaves III	CB	5-10	204	24	5	Florida	Tampa, Fla.	W-'19 (TB)
29	Phillip Gaines	CB	6-0	193	29	7	Rice	Concord, Mass.	FA-'19
30	Cornell Armstrong	CB	6-0	185	24	3	Southern Miss	Bassfield, Miss.	FA-'19
31	Karan Higdon Jr.	RB	5-10	202	23	1	Michigan	Sarasota, Fla.	CFA-'19
32	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	CB	6-2	213	24	2	Kentucky	Gary, Ind.	D2a-'19
33	A.J. Moore Jr.	S	5-11	200	24	3	Mississippi	Bassfield, Miss.	W-'18 (NE)
35	Keion Crossen	CB	5-10	185	23	3	Western Carolina	Garysburg, N.C.	T-'19 (NE)
36	Jonathan Owens	S	5-11	210	24	2	Missouri Western St.	St. Louis, Mo.	FA-'19
38	Buddy Howell	RB	6-1	218	24	3	Florida Atlantic	Coconut Grove, Fla.	W-'18 (MIA)
39	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	S	6-1	212	29	9	Wyoming	Dallas, Texas	FA-'19
41	Zach Cunningham	ILB	6-3	238	25	4	Vanderbilt	Pinson, Ala.	D2-'17
42	Shalom Luani	S	6-0	202	25	5	Washington State	Pago Pago, American Samoa	FA-'19
42	Chris Landrum	OLB	6-2	245	27	3	Jacksonville State	Meridian, Miss.	FA-'18
43	Anthony Chesley	CB	6-0	190	23	1	Coastal Carolina	Temple Hills, Md.	FA-'19
44	Cullen Gillaspia	FB	6-2	235	24	2	Texas A&M	Katy, Texas	D7-'19
46	Jon Weeks	LS	5-10	242	34	11	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	FA-'10
48	Nate Hall	ILB	6-2	235	24	1	Northwestern	Toledo, Ohio	FA-'19
49	Davin Bellamy	OLB	6-5	259	25	1	Georgia	Chamblee, Ga.	CFA-'18
50	Tyrell Adams	ILB	6-2	230	27	5	West Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA-'18
51	Dylan Cole	ILB	6-0	237	25	4	Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	CFA-'17
53	Duke Ejirofor	OLB	6-4	255	24	3	Wake Forest	Houston, Texas	D6a-'18
54	Jacob Martin	OLB	6-2	242	24	3	Temple	Katy, Texas	T-'19 (SEA)
55	Benardrick McKinney	ILB	6-4	257	27	6	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	D2-'15
57	Brennan Scarlett	OLB	6-4	263	26	5	Stanford	Portland, Ore.	CFA-'16
58	Peter Kalambayi	ILB	6-3	254	24	3	Stanford	Matthews, N.C.	D6c-'18
59	Whitney Mercilus	OLB	6-4	258	29	9	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	D1-'12
63	Roderick Johnson	T	6-6	306	24	4	Florida State	Florissant, Mo.	W-'18 (CLE)
64	Senio Kelemete	G	6-3	301	29	8	Washington	Seattle, Wash.	UFA-'18 (NO)
65	Greg Mancz	C/G	6-4	302	27	6	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'15
66	Nick Martin	C	6-4	295	26	5	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	D2-'16
68	Kyle Murphy	T	6-6	305	26	4	Stanford	Mission Viejo, Calif.	FA-'19
71	Tytus Howard	G/T	6-5	322	23	2	Alabama State	Monroeville, Ala.	D1-'19
72	Rick Leonard	T	6-7	311	23	1	Florida State	Middletown, Md.	FA-'18
73	Zach Fulton	C/G	6-5	321	28	7	Tennessee	Homewood, Ill.	UFA-'18 (KC)
74	Max Scharping	G/T	6-6	327	23	2	Northern Illinois	Green Bay, Wis.	D2b-'19
75	Elijah Nkansah	T	6-5	315	25	1	Toledo	Muncie, Ind.	FA-'19
78	Laremy Tunsil	T	6-5	313	25	5	Mississippi	Lake City, Fla.	T-'19 (MIA)
79	David Steinmetz	T	6-8	321	25	2	Purdue	Grafton, Mass.	FA-'18
81	Kahale Warring	TE	6-5	252	23	2	San Diego State	Sonora, Calif.	D3-'19
83	Jordan Thomas	TE	6-5	277	23	3	Mississippi State	Sumrall, Miss.	D6b-'18
87	Darren Fells	TE	6-7	270	33	7	California-Irvine	Fullerton, Calif.	FA-'19
88	Jordan Akins	TE	6-4	243	27	3	Central Florida	Locust Grove, Ga.	D3c-'18
91	Carlos Watkins	DE	6-3	297	26	4	Clemson	Mooresboro, N.C.	D4b-'17
92	Brandon Dunn	NT	6-2	310	27	5	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	FA-'15
94	Charles Omenihu	DE	6-5	280	22	2	Texas	Houston, Texas	D5-'19
95	Eddie Vanderdoes	NT	6-3	315	25	4	UCLA	Auburn, Calif.	FA-'19
96	Ira Savage-Lewis	DE	6-3	290	24	2	Baylor	Houston, Texas	CFA-'19
97	Angelo Blackson	DE	6-4	319	27	6	Auburn	Bear, Del.	FA-'17
99	J.J. Watt	DE	6-5	288	31	10	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wis.	D1-'11
	Eric Murray	S	5-11	199	26	5	Minnesota	Milwaukee, Wis.	UFA-'20 (CLE)
	David Johnson	RB	6-1	224	28	6	Northern Iowa	Clinton, Iowa	T-'20 (ARI)
	Jaylen Watkins	S	5-11	194	28	6	Florida	Cape Coral, Fla.	UFA-'20 (LAC)
	Brent Qvale	T	6-7	315	29	6	Nebraska	Williston, N.D.	UFA-'20 (NYJ)
	Brandin Cooks	WR	5-10	183	26	7	Oregon State	Stockton, Calif.	T-'20 (LAR)
	Randall Cobb	WR	5-10	195	29	10	Kentucky	Maryville, Tenn.	UFA-'20 (DAL)
	Ross Blacklock	DT	6-3	290	21	R	TCU	Missouri City, Texas	D2-'20
	Jonathan Greenard	OLB	6-3	263	22	R	Florida	Hiram, Ga.	D3-'20
	Charlie Heck	T	6-8	311	23	R	North Carolina	Kansas City, Mo.	D4a-'20
	John Reid	CB	5-10	187	23	R	Penn State	Mount Laurel, N.J.	D4b-'20
	Isaiah Coulter	WR	6-2	198		R	Rhode Island	Brandywine, Md.	D5-'20

TEXANS ROSTER BY POSITION

OFFENSE (36)

QUARTERBACKS (3)

2	AJ McCarron	6-3	215	29	7	Alabama
3	Alex McGough	6-3	214	24	1	Florida International
4	Deshaun Watson	6-2	215	24	4	Clemson

WIDE RECEIVERS (10)

11	Steven Mitchell Jr.	5-10	186	25	2	Southern California
12	Kenny Stills	6-1	202	27	8	Oklahoma
13	Chad Hansen	6-2	202	25	2	California
14	DeAndre Carter	5-8	190	26	3	Sacramento State
15	Will Fuller V	6-0	184	25	5	Notre Dame
16	Keke Coutee	5-11	187	23	3	Texas Tech
19	Isaac Whitney	6-2	204	25	1	Southern California
	Brandin Cooks	5-10	183	26	7	Oregon State
	Randall Cobb	5-10	195	29	10	Kentucky
	Isaiah Coulter	6-2	198		R	Rhode Island

RUNNING BACKS & FULLBACKS (5)

25	Duke Johnson	5-9	210	26	6	Miami (Fla.)
31	Karan Higdon Jr.	5-10	202	23	1	Michigan
38	Buddy Howell	6-1	218	24	3	Florida Atlantic
44	Cullen Gillaspia	6-2	235	24	2	Texas A&M
	David Johnson	6-1	224	28	6	Northern Iowa

TIGHT ENDS (4)

81	Kahale Warring	6-5	252	23	2	San Diego State
83	Jordan Thomas	6-5	277	23	3	Mississippi State
87	Darren Fells	6-7	270	33	7	California-Irvine
88	Jordan Akins	6-4	243	27	3	Central Florida

OFFENSIVE LINE (14)

63	Roderick Johnson	6-6	306	24	4	Florida State
64	Senio Kelemete	6-3	301	29	8	Washington
65	Greg Mancz	6-4	302	27	6	Toledo
66	Nick Martin	6-4	295	26	5	Notre Dame
68	Kyle Murphy	6-6	305	26	4	Stanford
71	Tytus Howard	6-5	322	23	2	Alabama State
72	Rick Leonard	6-7	311	23	1	Florida State
73	Zach Fulton	6-5	321	28	7	Tennessee
74	Max Scharping	6-6	327	23	2	Northern Illinois
75	Elijah Nkansah	6-5	315	25	1	Toledo
78	Laremy Tunsil	6-5	313	25	5	Mississippi
79	David Steinmetz	6-8	321	25	2	Purdue
	Brent Qvale	6-7	315	29	6	Nebraska
	Charlie Heck	6-8	311	23	R	North Carolina

DEFENSE (37)

DEFENSIVE LINE (8)

91	Carlos Watkins	6-3	297	26	4	Clemson
92	Brandon Dunn	6-2	310	27	5	Louisville
94	Charles Omenihu	6-5	280	22	2	Texas
95	Eddie Vanderdoes	6-3	315	25	4	UCLA
96	Ira Savage-Lewis	6-3	290	24	2	Baylor
97	Angelo Blackson	6-4	319	27	6	Auburn
99	J.J. Watt	6-5	288	31	10	Wisconsin
	Ross Blacklock	6-3	290	21	R	TCU

LINEBACKERS (13)

41	Zach Cunningham	6-3	238	25	4	Vanderbilt	
42	Chris Landrum	6-2	245	27	3	Jacksonville St.	
48	Nate Hall	6-2	235	24	1	Northwestern	
49	Davin Bellamy	6-5	259	25	1	Georgia	
50	Tyrell Adams	6-2	230	27	5	West Georgia	
51	Dylan Cole	6-0	237	25	4	Missouri State	
53	Duke Ejirofor	6-4	255	24	3	Wake Forest	
54	Jacob Martin	6-2	242	24	3	Temple	
55	Benardrick McKinney	6-4	257	27	6	Mississippi St.	
57	Brennan Scarlett	6-4	263	26	5	Stanford	
58	Peter Kalambayi	6-3	254	24	3	Stanford	
59	Whitney Mercilus	6-4	258	29	9	Illinois	
	Jonathan Greenard	OLB	6-3	263	22	R	Florida

SECONDARY (16)

20	Justin Reid	6-1	203	23	3	Stanford
21	Bradley Roby	5-11	194	27	7	Ohio State
22	Gareon Conley	6-0	190	24	4	Ohio State
28	Vernon Hargreaves III	5-10	204	24	5	Florida
29	Phillip Gaines	6-0	193	29	7	Rice
30	Cornell Armstrong	6-0	185	24	3	Southern Miss
32	Lonnie Johnson Jr.	6-2	213	24	2	Kentucky
33	A.J. Moore Jr.	5-11	200	24	3	Mississippi
35	Keion Crossen	5-10	185	23	3	Western Carolina
36	Jonathan Owens	5-11	210	24	2	Missouri Western St.
39	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	6-1	212	29	9	Wyoming
42	Shalom Luani	6-0	202	25	5	Washington St.
43	Anthony Chesley	6-0	190	23	1	Coastal Carolina
	Jaylen Watkins	5-11	194	28	6	Florida
	Eric Murray	5-11	199	26	5	Minnesota
	John Reid	5-10	187	23	R	Penn State

SPECIAL TEAMS (3)

SPECIALISTS (3)

7	Ka'imi Fairbairn	6-0	183	26	5	UCLA
9	Bryan Anger	6-3	205	31	9	California
46	Jon Weeks	5-10	242	34	11	Baylor

HOW THE TEXANS WERE BUILT

Season	NFL Draft (25)	Trades (8)	Free Agents (43)
2010 6-10 3rd, AFC South			LS Jon Weeks (CFA)
2011 10-6 AFC South Champions	DE J.J. Watt (1)		
2012 12-4 AFC South Champions	OLB Whitney Mercilus (1)		
2013 2-14 4th, AFC South			
2014 9-7 2nd, AFC South			
2015 9-7 AFC South Champions	ILB Bernardrick McKinney (2)		NT Brandon Dunn (FA) C/G Greg Mancz (CFA)
2016 9-7 AFC South Champions	WR Will Fuller V (1) C Nick Martin (2)		K Ka'imi Fairbairn (CFA) OLB Brennan Scarlett (CFA)
2017 4-12 4th, AFC South	QB Deshaun Watson (1) ILB Zach Cunningham (2) DE Carlos Watkins (4b)		DE Angelo Blackson (FA) ILB Dylan Cole (CFA)
2018 11-5 AFC South Champions	S Justin Reid (3a) TE Jordan Akins (3c) WR Keke Coutee (4) OLB Duke Ejirofor (6a) TE Jordan Thomas (6b) ILB Peter Kalambayi (6c)		ILB Tyrell Adams (FA) OLB Davin Bellamy (CFA) WR DeAndre Carter (W-PHI) C/G Zach Fulton (UFA-KC) RB Buddy Howell (W-MIA) T Roderick Johnson (W-CLE) G Senio Kelemete (UFA-NO) OLB Chris Landrum (FA) T Rick Leonard (FA) WR Steven Mitchell Jr. (FA) S A.J. Moore Jr. (W-NE) T David Steinmetz (FA) WR Isaac Whitney (FA)
2019 10-6 AFC South Champions	G/T Tytus Howard (1) CB Lonnie Johnson Jr. (2a) G/T Max Scharping (2b) TE Kahale Warring (3) DE Charles Omenihu (5) FB Cullen Gillaspia (7)	CB Gareon Conley (T-OAK) CB Keion Crossen (T-NE) RB Duke Johnson (T-CLE) OLB Jacob Martin (T-SEA) WR Kenny Stills (T-MIA) T Laremy Tunsil (T-MIA)	P Bryan Anger (FA) CB Cornell Armstrong (FA) CB Anthony Chesley (FA) TE Darren Fells (FA) CB Phillip Gaines (FA) S Tashaun Gipson Sr. (FA) WR Chad Hansen (W-NO) ILB Nate Hall (FA) CB Vernon Hargreaves III (W-TB) RB Karan Higdon Jr. (CFA) S Shalom Luani (FA) QB AJ McCarron (FA) QB Alex McGough (FA) T Kyle Murphy (FA) T Elijah Nkansah (FA) S Jonathan Owens (FA) CB Bradley Roby (UFA-DEN) DE Ira Savage-Lewis (CFA) NT Eddie Vanderdoes (FA)
2020	DT Ross Blacklock (2) OLB Jonathan Greenard (3) T Charlie Heck (4a) CB John Reid (4b) WR Isaiah Coulter (5)	RB David Johnson (T-ARI) WR Brandin Cooks (T-LAR)	WR Randall Cobb (UFA-DAL) S Eric Murray (UFA-CLE) T Brent Qvale (UFA-NYJ) S Jaylen Watkins (UFA-LAC)

HEAD COACH AND GENERAL MANAGER BILL O'BRIEN**What did it mean to have your sons, Jack and Michael, with you during the draft, and how is Jack doing?**

"That was cool. I saw last night where a lot of the guys, coaches' and GM's families were represented on the telecast. Colleen and I felt like that was a good way to really thank the healthcare workers and the front-line medical people that are dealing with the Coronavirus, which is – football is so secondary to what's going on in the world right now. So, we wheeled him (Jack) out here and he woke up, which was cool, and Michael loves it. Michael has been in here the whole time listening to all these discussions. Jack is doing great. Jack's day-to-day, every day is a struggle, but he's hanging in there. Thank you for asking."

Before you made that last pick they showed you on TV and you seemed to be agitated. What was that about?

"No, we were messing with the Zoom. We were messing on the Zoom with myself and (Jack) Easterby and all the guys. No, nothing agitated. The camera is on the whole time. I don't know. We were just messing around on the Zoom. We're on the back patio here. We've done a lot of business on the back patio here over the last couple of months."

When DT Ross Blacklock came to visit your facility, did you think at that point he would be someone you take if he was available?

"You're exactly right, we felt like he would be there at 40. We felt like if he wasn't there at 40, we felt there was a good chance he would be drafted in the first round, and when we went to bed last night we were happy because this is a guy that, like you said, he came in to visit us. One of the things that we did with him on the visit is he was in front of the whole coaching staff, and that's hard. There's 20 coaches around the room and he's in the middle there and he answered all the questions and did a great job. Very impressive guy, worked out a little bit. Just a real impressive guy, so we were thrilled to be able to draft him when we did there at 40."

What does that mean to you to be able to get the deal done with T Laremy Tunsil, and could you give us a comment on OLB Jonathan Greenard?

"We've been working hard with L.T. (Laremy Tunsil) over the past, probably I'd say month and a half, to try to get something done. He represented himself. He had a great team of people around him that we also communicated with. One thing that I would really like to make clear is when you make that particular trade where we traded for Laremy and Kenny Stills, in order to work out a contract within the trade, the other team has to allow you to do that otherwise you can't do the trade. We had a choice to make there and we knew one way or the other, whether we did the contract during the trade or post-trade like we did, we knew that Laremy Tunsil was going to get paid because we feel like he is the top left tackle in the National Football League. We went ahead and made that trade to make our team better and we had a good year with Laremy. There's a lot of things that he's going to be more comfort-

able within our offense this year. He's going to be a better player this year. He played very well for us, our sack total dropped about 20 to 25 from the previous year with him in the lineup. We had a great negotiation with Laremy. He was very honest, we were very honest, very up front. Jack Easterby was very instrumental in the negotiation with Laremy and his team and earlier today we were able to come to an agreement and we're thrilled. We're thrilled to have Laremy Tunsil on our team. He's a great guy, he's really committed to the Houston Texans, he's committed to the city of Houston. He understands how important it is to be out in front relative to all of the things we can do help the community in Houston, so we're thrilled. On Jon Greenard, we studied Jon a lot just like we studied Ross (Blacklock). One of the things that both of these guys bring, Jon brings, is toughness, he brings a football intelligence. He's a humble, he's a hungry guy. I think he falls into that category of dependable, tough and smart. I think Ross falls into that category too. I think we've got two guys that are going to walk into the locker room, they're going to put their head down and they're going to go to work and they're going to know that they're coming into a good football team and they're going to be ready to go."

How much do you think the one year at Florida helped DE Jonathan Greenard in his development?

"I don't know. I guess you'd have to ask him. I'm not sure. I'm sure it helped quite a bit. When you go into a program like that and you were coached the way you were coached and you were a part of the team like, I think that that's always a big part of your experience and your football journey, but I would say that's probably a better question for him. It's a great question, but I'm sure it was a big part of his, like I said, his football journey."

How much can you forecast that making the extension on T Laremy Tunsil was the right move?

"I think it's very important to forecast to the best of your ability. That's where your scouting department really comes into play. I think our scouts do a great job. When Matt Bazirgan and James Liipfert, Rob Kiesel, these guys and all the guys underneath them, they really work hard to not only scout the NFL, the college game, but they also look into the future and kind of give us an idea a year out, two years out, what the draft might look like, what everything might look like. I think when you look back at the moves that we've made relative to that position, I think we've made the right moves. We were able to go out and secure a left tackle in Laremy Tunsil. We had him on a rookie contract, so this year was a good deal for the Houston Texans because we had a Pro Bowl left tackle playing on a rookie contract. We were able to come to an agreement with him today, which is a really good deal for the Houston Texans and if you look at the way the draft went, like you said, it would've been very difficult to draft a great left tackle in the first round where we may have been sitting. We feel good about where we're at and I think that's a good observation, a good question that you have. We work hard to try to stay ahead of the game on those things."

Do you think there could be additions to the secondary with the draft, and what are your thoughts on adding S Michael Thomas and what he can bring?

“We feel like we’ve done a decent job pre-draft of creating some depth on the roster and in the secondary. When we signed (Bradley) Roby back, we got (Gareon) Conley and Lonnie (Johnson Jr.), and Keion Crossen. Then at the safety position, we’ve done a lot of work there obviously with Justin Reid already there, but also adding Eric Murray and Jaylen Watkins, and then you just talked about Michael Thomas. We were able to add Michael Thomas, which was really exciting for us, I think. You’re talking about a guy that has always been considered one of the top special teams players in the league. He’s played very well, he has experience with Brad Seely, Tracy Smith, most recently with the Giants. He played for the Giants, done a good job. Great guy, Houston guy. Lives in Houston, takes a lot of pride, he’s really excited about being here. So, I feel good about our secondary, where we are right now, but certainly with the picks that we have left, I would anticipate having a chance to possibly add to that depth.”

Is signing QB Deshaun Watson to a contract extension before the season a priority?

“Look, I think any time we can try to get something done with Deshaun would be great, but again, these things take time. I don’t want to get into all the details of it. I know there’s a lot out there about where we are. We have a great relationship with Deshaun, we have a great relationship with his agent. Very good open lines of communication. Really haven’t gotten into the details of anything right now, but obviously we want Deshaun Watson to be the quarterback here for a long time, so we’ll see how it all plays out.”

How important was it to be able to have in-person visits with OLB Jonathan Greenard and DT Ross Blacklock before in-person visits were suspended?

“Yeah, that was big. To be able to get Ross Blacklock in the building – we had him in the building. We were able to do a little work-out with him, we were able to interview him. Really important. Our scouts were able to work with Greenard pre-coronavirus. I think that’s very important. I’m looking off to the side right here of the Zoom meeting with you guys is the draft board. That’s really what we did. We followed that draft board to a T. As it went down, it’s hard to see a lot of good players going off the board, but when we had Ross there after the first round and then we had Jon Greenard there at 90, we felt good about the work that the scouts had done, the work that the coaches had done. We’re excited about where we are right now.”

How hard is it going to be for this year’s rookies to develop considering they won’t have the on-field coaching that all other rookies have had throughout history?

“I think it’s going to be very hard. I think it’s going to be very hard. I think that one of the things that our staff does a good job of over the years is the assistant coaches do a great job of developing players. You think through the years of some of the guys that we’ve been able to develop – a lot of that had to do with the offseason program, had to do with the fact that you could work with rookies for five or six weeks before training camp and really indoctrinate them to the culture of your organization, of your team, and then also obviously work with them on the field. You’re not going to have that. You’re going to have to rely on these guys. These two guys that we drafted today, tonight, I really feel that we have two really mature guys that are really going to understand, ‘Hey, we better show up in shape and ready to go because we’re playing in a defense with J.J. Watt, Whitney Mercilus, Benardrick McKinney, Zach Cunningham, Brandon Dunn and all the others.’ I think these guys know, like, ‘We better stay in shape and be ready to go.’ I think it’s going to be a very difficult season for rookies to just jump right in and be ready to go.”

Where do you envision OLB Jonathan Greenard lining up when you’re able to get on the field at some point?

“I think with (Anthony) Weaver (Weaver) and what we’ve done with RAC (Romeo Crennel), I think if you’re talking base defense, I think he’d probably be at the outside backer, I think he’d be at a SAM. I think he’d be able to play at a SAM. I also think he could go to the open side and play a five-technique. He’s got size, he’s got strength. Then when you get to sub defense, it’s just anywhere. You know what I mean? If we are in an odd front, or an event front, where could he be? Could he be standing up? Could he be walking around? I think at his core he’s an outside linebacker, but I do think he can do a lot of different things.”

It’s early in the draft, but you added to your front seven. How do you think the defense got better after tonight?

“I definitely think we’ve improved. We’re pretty good on defense. We’ve got a lot of depth in the offseason. Like I was saying the other day when I talked to you guys, we were able to sign a lot of our guys back and then we were able to add some good free agents. It’s going to be a tough competition in training camp for a lot of these guys. They’re going to show up, they’re going to be ready, they’re going to be excited. Then we add two guys tonight that we feel are going to add to that we feel will competition. I feel good about the defensive side of the ball. I feel really good about where we’re at. We have a few more picks here tomorrow and we’ll see how it goes.”

DT ROSS BLACKLOCK

Did getting drafted by your hometown team ease the pain of not getting drafted in the first round?

"I had pretty high hopes of being in the first round. That's kind of what my goal was – late first, early second. Unfortunately I didn't go in the first, but I'm beyond excited to be able to come back home and play for my hometown and just to be able to do good things for this city and play great football. I'm just excited."

What was it like at home with your family when you got the news?

"It was crazy, just amazing emotions. We had a little feeling. I said right before they called, I said, 'Houston is about to call,' I just had that feeling and then I was talking to Bill O'Brien."

You talked last week about visiting the Texans facility for the first time. What are your thoughts about joining the Texans for good?

"It's amazing how God works. Like I said, I've never been around the Houston facility like that for the first time. It was amazing just to be there and now it's going to be home so I'm going to be there quite often. It's even better that I'm only 20 minutes up the road. My family will be able to come watch me play. I'm lost for words. It's just amazing."

What will you bring to the table as a defensive lineman?

"I bring physicality, I bring passion, I bring leadership, I bring just relentless effort. I just want to be able to be the best I can be. My potential is through the roof just like anybody else's would be, and I just want to be able to make sure I can reach that potential and more, and just keep growing and improving as the years go by."

What do you think about your ability to rush the passer?

"I think it will be a different transition. In the Big 12 it was more passing than running, so just coming in and transferring to a new scheme, new system and new level. I think I'll get the hang of it once – practice makes perfect. Each day I'm just going to get better and better and just improve my technique and pass-rush abilities and things like that."

What do you think you were able to get better at during your sophomore season in 2018 when you were out with an injury?

"Just learning, just being more of a football player when my time when my time is out, being more of a student of the game. I spent more time in film even though I couldn't be there most of the time because due to my injury I couldn't walk for a while. Once I got back I was always active with the guys, I was always watching film with them as if I was still playing that season, just another coach on the side, just kind of improving those young guys, let them get better. Missing out on that season helped me mentally develop as a player."

What was it like growing up with a father that played for the Harlem Globetrotters, and what made you choose football over basketball?

"It was really fun growing up. My dad, he's a pioneer, he's a walking legend. He doesn't talk about it as much as I do. Growing up with him, basketball just wasn't my first love. Football was always my first love. I thought basketball was just too soft for me. I always used to foul out when I played AAU and stuff like that. I think my dad created a legacy in basketball for our family, so I think I was meant to do it for football. I'll be the first person in my family to be in the NFL, so this is a pretty good start for me."

How were your interactions with the Texans during the draft process?

"The workout went really good. I spent the day with the coaching staff and stuff like that. I enjoyed it, being able to go through the playbook and learning new things and just being able to walk around the facility. It's nice. It's a really nice place. I enjoyed it, man. I really did."

What is meaning behind the "Underdog Mentality" hoodie and chain that you are wearing?

"It's my brand. It's kind of my logo and my lifestyle that I live as an athlete. Just like Nike, just like Adidas, whatever the case may be, it's something I want to represent athletes. Kind of the – that fits with it is as an athlete people always has opinions on you as a player or – just critics or whatever. Trust yourself as a player, believe in yourself and let your work speak for itself and for the results, and stuff like that. I wanted to create something for athletes that they can relate to. Everybody has potential. The sky isn't the limit, you can go beyond in how high you want to go in life. That's kind of what it represents."

Did you have a favorite Texans moment that stands out to you?

"I'm trying to remember what year it was. It was way back when Brian Cushing was playing and Andre Johnson. I think it was a playoff game, I can't remember. It was the one game I actually went to as a kid. I was sitting in the suite and I saw it, and it was a really good game. I can't remember, but I know it was a good game. I would say the best was probably recently, like when I was watching the Texans this past season at Pappadeaux, and it was going crazy. I forgot who we were playing, but we beat them at the last minute and we played the Chiefs the next week, but unfortunately we didn't win. I think that was one of my favorite Texans moments because the whole energy in the restaurant was crazy. It was amazing, but I think that was my best moment."

What are your thoughts on playing alongside DE J.J. Watt?

"He's an idol of mine. I try to mirror my game after his, so it's going to be surreal just being able to play next to a legend like that. I just want to be a sponge and gain as much knowledge as I possibly can and continue to grow."

What would you like to accomplish in your rookie season and where do you get your maturity from?

"I get most of that maturity from my father, my parents. I grew up in a great home, they taught me well. I would say being 21 coming into the league where there's a lot of grown people out there – it's a grown man's game, it's a grown business. I just try to keep my head on straight, stay focused on what's important and just do the right things, play good football. Things like that."

Where does this moment stack up in all of the special moments you have had in your life?

"This stacks up at number one, definitely. I don't know if something can top this, but this is just amazing. I'm really lost for words, but I'm just excited and ready to get to work. This is definitely one of the top moments in my life, highlight of my life, knowing that I worked so hard to get to this moment and it's here."

How do you think you are going to fit in the Texans defense?

"I think I'll fit pretty good in the Texans defense. I come from a school where we run a lot of fronts, play a lot of crazy defenses. Anybody knows that TCU football, we play a weird defense but it works. Coach (Chad Glasgow)'s been running it for so many years. I think it's helped a lot since I come from TCU and I'll be in a scheme like Coach (Anthony) Weaver's and it'll be much easier and I can focus more about just attacking more. We read more in TCU's defense so I think it'll be a good fit, a good transition."

OLB JONATHAN GREENARD**What is your reaction to joining the Houston Texans?**

“Just to be even considered in this category with these guys, to be on the same team is a huge blessing and an honor. I’m going to come working hard, have my same mentality I had in college and high school, just to be an underdog mindset and learn from the greats, soak up all the knowledge that they have and the wisdom, so that way I can be successful just like them.”

Are you surprised that the Houston Texans chose you today?

“I’m surprised at all just to be drafted, but I had a couple encounters with them. I kind of had them high on my list as far teams that would possibly pick me up. When I saw their name come across the screen, I kind of had a feeling that they would call and then God willed it. But this is my opportunity coming out, and I’m just going to take advantage of it.”

What do you think is your biggest strength as a player?

“My biggest strength is just my knowledge of the game, my natural instincts, just having a knack for the ball. Things I’m going to work, just overall being at the top of my pass rush just to make sure that I get my pass rush and my sacks a lot more easier, to make my job easier when I come off the edge and working a move and the finding the secondary move on top of it. Just things that I can learn with experience, just the overall technique work.”

What did you gain out of your graduate transfer year at Florida?

“Well I’m actually only 18 credit hours away from getting my MBA, so that’s number one. But other than that, just learning – playing at a faster pace, playing in the best conference, the SEC ball. Just playing against the top-notch guys day in and day out, going to practice and enjoying the life of an SEC athlete and learning more about the game of football with Coach (Todd) Grantham and Coach (Dan) Mullen. I couldn’t ask for a better situation going into my last year of football.”

Are there any guys in the NFL that you pattern your game after?

“J.J. Watt is always an exceptional guy that I always used to look at, watch film on. We kind of work similar moves. I did dip-rip kind of move a little bit, kind of use our get-offs to our advantage and getting the corner at the top of our rushes, and switch it up and go power as well with our bull rushes. So, I’ve always watched him and then to be a part of this organization and be with him and guys like Whitney Mercilus as well, those will be guys that I definitely will soak up a lot of knowledge and wisdom from.”

When you transferred from Louisville to Florida and continued your high level of play in the SEC, what do you think that said about you as a competitor?

“That no matter what the situation or what I’ve done in my past, it doesn’t matter. I’m always going to work hard, I always feel like I have something to prove in being the underdog. Having that mindset and that chip on my shoulder all the time – I carry it anywhere I go just make sure my [Inaudible]. I’m going to try to do the same thing when I come to Houston and hopefully I can have that same impact coming in.”

Is it going to be easier playing in a 3-4 scheme, or is it going to be easier to rush with your hand in the dirt?

“I feel pretty comfortable in both a three-point and a two-point stance. Definitely for me, I’ve done it all my college career and I feel like I’m pretty comfortable on both sides so I don’t feel like it will be any adjustments. I definitely just have to continue to build and go off of my technique. All it is at this point in time is the technique standpoint.”

Have you been to Houston before and are you looking forward to living here?

“I’ve always been a guy that’s wanted to go. I’ve never been to Texas. Well, I’ve been there one time. We played the University of Houston and went down there one time and that was the closest thing I’ve been since then. I didn’t get to really go into the city much, obviously, being in college. But just to be in the city, being in the state, being in this organization, it’s everything you can ask for as a pass rusher.”

When you say you are proud of your knowledge of the game is that a film study thing, or does it just come from what you see on the field?

“I’ve been playing ball since I was four years old so pretty much just years of watching football, playing football, different positions on the offensive side and defensive side gave me a little taste of what to expect from offenses and defenses. All that kind of just ties together and watching film as well. My father had me watching film when I was five, six years old playing running back. So, just carrying that on throughout my career to this point is definitely going to continue to help me.”

When you think about your journey, what kind of emotions do you have now that you’re in the NFL?

“Man, it’s crazy. I’m not supposed to be here. It’s one of these situations where I’m just blessed to be in this situation. Now I’m in the NFL, something I’ve been dreaming about since I was a kid. Now it’s finally here, so I’m just thankful. This is only the beginning. This is the first step to where I want to be. I’ve got a long way to go, a lot to learn, so I’m ready. I’m just ready to work.”

HEAD COACH AND GENERAL MANAGER BILL O'BRIEN**Will T Charlie Heck play strictly at tackle or could he be given a shot at guard as well?**

"I think he's pretty much a tackle. I think he can play both sides. Great guy. Really smart, works hard. Obviously his dad is a coach. We were thrilled to be able to go up there and get him. We made a couple of moves today that we were happy with and that was one. We were able to go up there and get a guy that we really targeted and we liked at that spot."

Do you see CB John Reid playing mostly as a slot corner or can he play outside as well?

"I think he can do both. I do think that he can play on the inside. I think he's got good quickness, he's got good toughness. I've known John for a while. When I was at Penn State he was a sophomore in high school and came to our camp. I think we offered him a scholarship right there. Really smart guy, comes from a great family. But yeah, I think he can do both. I think he can play on the inside and I also think that he'll help us on special teams. That was another guy that we felt really good about that we had targeted and we were really hoping would be there, and he was there."

Was the draft different for you this year with it being your first draft as the general manager, and were there extra challenges with it being virtual?

"I would just say, again, to go with the first question, we have a great team here. I've said it and I'll say it over and over. I really mean it. Myself, Jack Easterby – Kevin Krajcovic has done an unbelievable job with our salary cap and our contracts, and then Matt Bazirgan and James Liipfert relative to the draft and the scouts. We just have a great team of people. We make decisions that are formed around a consensus. I think really that's Bob McNair, that's the way he wanted it, that's the way Cal McNair wants it, and that's what we try to do. Relative to the virtual, I wouldn't say that there were too many challenges, I just do miss being in the meeting room where you can be face-to-face with somebody and put the film on, 'Hey, let's watch this guy.' We weren't able to do as much of that, but our technological team, Tim Brog, Russell Joyner, they just do an unbelievable job of setting us up. There was a setup at my house, a setup at Jack's house, a setup at Kevin's house, a setup at Cal's house. There's so much that goes into it from a technological standpoint, so it was great."

With the challenges of this virtual offseason for rookies especially, does that change the profile of the type of guy you were looking for at all?

"Yeah, I think that's a good question. I think that we took a lot of that into account. When you look at Ross (Blacklock) and Jon (Greenard) and Charlie (Heck) and John Reid and Isaiah Coulter, you're talking about mature guys, guys that have overcome adversity in their lives, guys that understand work ethic, guys that understand how important practice is, guys that understand what it means to be a good teammate and be hungry and humble. I think we got those type of guys with all these guys."

When you look at how your secondary is now, how competitive do you think the group stacks up after your additions in free agency and the draft?

"I like our team. I think at this time of the year, we have good depth at a lot of positions. Certainly there's always holes that we need to fill and think about, but I really like where we are right now. I think in the secondary – I was saying this the other day to you guys, I think there's versatility at the safety and the corner position. You have safeties that can play corner, you have corners that can play inside and some corners can play safety, and a lot of those guys are really good special teams players. I really like where we are right now. It's still incomplete. Even though we've had the draft and free agency, there's still a lot of different things you can do relative to the roster. We'll continue to grind on that and work, but I like where we are right now."

What stood out to you when you recruited CB John Reid at Penn State?

"We had camp and Penn State camp there's probably three sessions and 1,000 kids come to each session. So what you try to do is you try to take some of the guys that you think are prospects and work them out separately, and he was one of those guys. He was only a sophomore in high school from right outside of Philly, and so we took him on the field and did some drills with him and just noticed right away his movement skills -this is when he was 14-15 years old – his ability to follow directions, his intensity, his seriousness. He's a good guy, we're glad we are able to have him. He went through some adversity there at Penn State, injuries and different things, but he came out last year and was highly recommended by James Franklin and did a good job last year at Penn State. We were glad to be able to get him."

Does five draft picks feel like the right number to you?

"Yeah, I think so. I think that we're working on the CFA process. I don't know if we'll go all the way to 90, but maybe we'll go to 84, 85 guys. But yeah, we feel good about the numbers. We went into the draft with about 73, 74 on the roster and we feel good about the numbers, where we are right now."

How much has the college free agent process changed with your staff not being in the same room?

“That’s a challenge. I just left a Zoom call. I was on a Zoom call with Jack (Easterby) and Matt Bazirgan, and Liip (James Liipfert) and Tommy Hayden. Those guys, they’re in contact with the scouts and the coaches and we’re trying to do a good job of talking to agents and players, and trying to get the best guys we can get. Some of that has to do with money, how much can you pay a guy relative to how much another team is paying him. Our guys are communicating really well, we’re just not all in the same room. So, some it’s text messages and – the Zoom’s been huge. I mean, the ability to Zoom and have contact like that has been really important.”

What positions would you have liked to draft that you were not able to, and how active will you be with veteran free agents since there’s so many who still haven’t signed?

“We targeted certain guys in the draft and obviously we didn’t get all of them, you never do, but we were able to get five that we really liked and I feel really good about that. I do think that’s a good point that you’re making relative to the free agents that are still out there. That’s why I’m saying there’s still a lot of opportunities to build the roster in different ways as we head on down the road here. That’s why I don’t think – I’m not sure we’ll go all the way to 90, you know what I mean? Maybe we’ll stick at 84, 85, 86 and leave a few spots open and see what happens when they tell us we can go back to practice.”

How do you feel about the competition level at the right guard spot?

“Zach’s (Fulton) played a lot of good football for us. We have Zach there, obviously Senio (Kelemete) has played at that position, Greg Mancz can play at that position. I feel good about – for this time of year, again, it’s incomplete, but for where we are post-draft, I feel good about our offensive line, where we are and our depth there. We’ll continue to try to look to add to it. We’re talking to a couple of guys in the CFA process here and things like that, but I feel good about where it’s at for post-draft.”

You traded down twice today. Is it just a matter of how the board falls or in some years do you look to trade down more than others just depending on what your draft capital is like?

“Sometimes it’s really probably year to year. Every year we’ve made trades. Obviously, over the years we have made some very important trades, trading up, when Rick (Smith) traded up to go get Deshaun Watson. That was a big trade. So, we’ve made trades up and down. I think it’s the team calls or maybe you call the team to go up because you really like a player and you’ve got enough firepower to go up there and do that, and you think about doing it. I think trading down, you have a brick of players and you think that you’ll be able to get a couple of those guys and maybe you go down and gain a couple more picks, and you do it. I cannot emphasize this enough, the team of people we have working on this that advise us as to the direction we should go. Then we have, obviously, Jack (Easterby) and Matt (Bazirgan), and James (Liipfert) and then Kevin (Krajcovic) submits the pick or the trade, or Russell Joyner and Kevin talk to us about the value of the trade from an analytics standpoint. So, really, it’s a team effort.”

As far as what you’ve done in free agency earlier and trades you made and what you’ve done with your draft picks, what positions do you feel like you want to go after additionally?

“I don’t know. I think for this time of year, I think our depth is pretty good. I think at every position – you go through the secondary, you go through the inside linebacker spot, outside linebacker, defensive line, quarterback, running back, offensive line, tight end, wide receiver. I think we’ll add some guys relative to the college free agent process that we’re working on right now. I think for where we are right now, we feel pretty good about where we are and we’ll continue to build if we see somebody out there that could really help us, we’ll definitely continue to build.”

T CHARLIE HACK**What is your reaction to being drafted by the Texans and can you talk about football being a big part of your family?**

"It's a dream come true, it's been a dream of mine since I can remember, going with my dad to football games. To play for a team like the Texans – I'm still speechless right now. Football has been in my family a long time. My dad played, he's a coach now, so it's kind of been in my blood growing up. Just watching all these teams, I couldn't be happier to be a part of this organization."

What advice have you gotten from your dad, Chiefs Offensive Line Coach Andy Heck, on how you can prepare for your rookie season?

"It's just put your head down and grind. It's still going to be an opportunity. We're hoping we can get into camp here and you've just got to show up prepared and just put your head down and work. That's what it's all going to come down to, and I'm looking forward to that opportunity."

How have you worked out and stayed in shape during this pandemic?

"There's been a lot of home gym workouts. It's been everything from prescribed workouts from my brother, who's a strength coach at UNC, to riding my mom's Peloton bike down in the basement. So, it's been everything. Luckily I've been in the position to have a pretty good home gym, so I've been able to really kind of stay in shape. Other than that, it's been going to an empty field and just working on being a football player."

Given that you played right and left tackle in college, how comfortable are you with the transition to the NFL?

"I think that's helped me, being able to play at both positions. That's really something important that I've been working on, is just being able to interchangeably go back and forth with those positions, just feel completely comfortable, get your hips used to it. That's something I've been working on."

Are you trying to put on some added weight as you enter the NFL?

"Absolutely. I think as I get older, I'm going to naturally try to put on that good weight. I'm about 311 right now, so I'd be happy showing up anywhere between 310-320."

What was it like watching your father, Chiefs Offensive Line Coach Andy Heck, with everything that they accomplished last year, and what will it be like to play against the Chiefs if that opportunity comes?

"It will be an exciting opportunity. Like I said, it's been in our family so I was really proud of my dad last year and he's really proud of me now. He's excited to watch my journey and I'll also keep up with his journey also."

How much harder will the transition to the NFL be with the limitations of the pandemic?

"It's just about making the most of the opportunity that you have. Nobody can change what's going on right now, so it's just taking advantage of what I can control. That's just me working on myself, bettering myself any way I can. That's really what I've been doing during this."

What were your interactions like with the Texans during the draft process, and what do you think ultimately made them comfortable with selecting you?

"I think they know what they're getting. They're going to get a hardworking guy that's going to come in there and give it his all. He's going to have room to grow as a player, comes from a football background and knows what it's all about and what to expect. I think during this pandemic, some opportunities were maybe given away for in-person meetings but I still think they were able to figure out who I was as a person."

Is there anyone in particular that you model you game after?

"Every game I'm watching, I'm watching one of those tackles right now. I'm a big fan of a lot. I know the Texans have a really good one themselves, so it's going to be really fun to kind of come in there and learn from that group of O-linemen, and I'm really looking forward to it."

In terms of learning, when you look at tape what do you see from the Texans offense and how do you feel like your skillset matches well with the things they do?

"I think I'm a player that has a lot of room to grow. I think I'm a player that can play a few positions, who can play both tackle spots. As I kind of develop under the Texans coaching staff, I think I'll just continue to get stronger and better. I think it's a really good fit for me."

What are your thoughts on QB Deshaun Watson, and what kind of one-liners have you heard with your last name over the years?

"You're going to get 'What the Heck' from somebody. That's always there. Deshaun is an unbelievable quarterback. He's one of the most fun guys to watch, so I'm super excited."

CB JOHN REID

The Texans have a lot of connections to Penn State on the coaching staff. Did you have a lot of contact with them and did you have a good feeling that they would be a team that could select you? Also, what do you bring to the table as a corner for this team?

"I definitely felt like this was a team I could land on. Coach (Bill) O'Brien recruited me when I was in high school. I knew a couple of guys here. One of my best friends, Todd Jones (Jr.), is a scout here too, so I definitely felt like this was a possibility for me. I feel like as a corner, I think I just bring a bit of versatility that I've shown on film, inside and outside. I've played special teams, I've done a lot in the return game and stuff like that, so I think I'm versatile player that I can kind of be played a bit everywhere."

What did you do at your internship at Blizzard, and what were some of the video games that got you interested in video games so much?

"I guess I come from a bit of like a software engineering background. I've been doing coding since I was in high school. For me, it was like the first thing I found outside of football that was relatable in the case that I could work really hard at it, it's really detail oriented and you can constantly see results if you put the work in. So at Blizzard, I did the same thing. I did software engineering, I did front-end and back-end web development. It was a great experience there."

What kind of workouts have you been doing and how have you stayed in shape during this pandemic?

"A lot of stuff at home as far as lifting. I've got like a dumbbell set. One of my dad's close friends who's pretty much like my uncle, he has a barbell and everything like that at his house, so I can use that. As far as the running, you've kind of got to work out a lot of times at night, just because they don't really want you on the fields, especially right now in New Jersey. But anyway, whether I'm running out in the street – I've got a basketball court up the street from me that I can sprint to and sprint back a bunch of times to stay in cardio shape. Then as far as my footwork, you don't really need too much grass to get your footwork in as a corner, so make sure I always do that."

How much did you get to know Head Coach and General Manager Bill O'Brien during the recruiting process, and what is it like having him draft you into the NFL?

"I had a few conversations with him when I was being recruited just when I was on campus and things like that, and then I just heard all of the respect that the players had for him. There were still a lot of players there that had been coached by him when I came in as a freshman. All they ever spoke about was just the respect that he had for all of the players and how much they liked him as a coach."

What do you feel like you bring to the Texans from a skill standpoint, and how difficult do you think the transition will be for you from college to the NFL?

"I think I'm a player that has really good footwork, I think I'm really explosive and I take a lot of pride in my preparation. I think at the next level it's going to be great to have a room full of people in the secondary that have played a ton of years that I can learn a lot from, and I'm going to make sure that I try to take as much knowledge I can from them as soon as I get there to kind of speed up my process and that learning curve similar to how I did in college. I just came in and put my head down and I worked. I made sure I learned from the older guys that were here to help me improve as a player."

Are there some players in the NFL that you've watched and molded your game after?

"I've watched a ton of guys, especially I've seen guys like Chris Harris (Jr.) who play inside and outside. I've watched a ton of years of when Jason Verrett first came in the league, I watched a lot of Tre'Davious White last year. I watch a mix of guys depending on what I was looking for. Like last year, we played a lot of cover three and things like that and I wanted to be able to press-bail better, so I would watch guys like Tre'Davious White who did that. So, I'm usually pulling certain clips to try to take pieces of everybody's game that I can, but make sure that I have my own identity also."

How did you balance your challenging college course load and playing football?

"I graduated this past December. What I learned the most is for me, even since I was a kid growing up, kind of when I put my mind to something I'm going to do everything I possibly can to accomplish it. I'm not going to make any excuses, and I kind of go into things knowing it's going to be really hard, but if you really want something bad enough, you make the sacrifices. I feel like you can do it. It definitely wasn't an easy road. I failed some classes and stuff like that, but I never let it affect me. I always learned every time I didn't do well at something and I feel like that's what allowed me to be able to accomplish that while playing football."

Can you tell us about your love of film watching and how you approach the cerebral aspect of the game, and what does it mean to be the first Penn State player that Head Coach and General Manager Bill O'Brien has drafted?

"I definitely watch a ton of film. It's kind of a habit I've had since I was a little kid. When I was a little kid in pee wee, I used to watch Barry Sanders, Walter Payton and all of those guys because I played running back. My father used to always tell me, if you want to be really great, you need to watch other people that have done it before and try to take little things from them. Over time that just evolved to not only studying great players, but then studying offenses, studying how they're looking to attack certain defenses and things like that. As far as being the first Penn State guy for Coach O'Brien to draft, I'm just really grateful to Coach O'Brien and the McNairs for giving me this opportunity. This is something I've worked for my whole life, so I'm just really grateful for it."

Tell us about the story where you missed a recruiting barbeque to study film?

"Throughout my recruiting process, I really wasn't so much a fan of kind of the – they kind of want to hype your head up, tell you how great you are. For me, it was more about learning and getting better. I feel like, as good as it is to hear those compliments, those things at the end of the day aren't going to be what allows you to improve. So, for me when I was being recruited, I was really looking for a school that I felt like would play a certain style of defense that I was looking forward to and what type of coaches I'd be coached by, and how they coach their schemes. So, instead of actually doing the barbeque, I asked the defensive coordinator at the time, Coach (Bob) Shoop, I was like 'Coach, I don't mean to be disrespectful or anything but if you have some time I would rather go upstairs and watch film to see what you guys actually run and where I could be potentially playing at.' So, we went upstairs and watched that, and he kind of went through to me how he coached different techniques, and I could kind of get a feel for his coaching style and things like that. It became what I was comfortable with, so it was one of the reasons I ended up choosing Penn State, because they kind of knew I was all about football and not so much about the recruiting. That's the way they kind of recruited me, through allowing me to see how they play certain things. So, for me I've always just been interested in football. That's just my love for the game, I guess."

Will you be studying film on the three AFC South quarterbacks?

"I guess right now – this is a whole new process for me, so I'm not even sure how it works as far as when we get our film and when we get access to that. I know that the main thing that I think is when I first get the film is trying to make sure I get down our playbook and things like that first, and then take each thing one at a time. Right now, I feel like as soon as I come in it's going to be making sure I get down the plays and understanding what I'm doing on the defense first."

What do think about playing on the same side of the ball as DE J.J. Watt?

"I'm excited. I know me and my friends used to always just talk about the plays he made. One of my best friends at Penn State, his name is Shaka Toney, he plays defensive end. So, we've already watched clips on the plays he's able to make, the way he's able to use his hands and stuff like that, just his technique. Just like me, Shaka could watch a certain player and kind of see what he can take from their game. He's one of the players we talked about. I'm excited."

WR ISAIAH COULTER**Did you feel like the Houston Texans had a lot of interest in you throughout the draft process?**

“Those guys, they kept in contact with me throughout the draft process. I met with them at the combine and I had FaceTime calls with them as well. It was great. Great chemistry and I just felt like it’s a great fit, us two being paired up together.”

What do you feel like you bring to the table as a wide receiver to this team?

“I would say I’m just coming in ready to work. I’m hungry, eager to just learn. I just want to help any way I can, whether that’s on special teams or a role in the receiving room. I’m just trying to help those guys out and help them get to where they want to be at.”

Do feel like you are best suited playing as an outside receiver or an inside receiver?

“In college, I was mainly just outside because the receiver depth wasn’t that big. So, I was limited to just playing outside. I feel like I could play inside or outside, I would just have to lock in and learn the plays from different spots on the field. But I feel like I could play anywhere if given the opportunity.”

What do you attribute to the big jump that you had in your college career at Rhode Island?

“I would just say taking my craft serious in the offseason. Not taking a lot of time off, just really digging into my weaknesses and just trying to improve and get better, whether it’s in the film room watching – just seeing little things that I could do better. Of course, my route running, just getting in and out of breaks. So, I would just say taking my offseason serious and just loving football, wanting to be better each and every year.”

How do you think you’ll handle making the jump from college to the NFL?

“I feel like I’ll handle it great. I play with a chip on my shoulder. I’m ready to just come in and help any way I can. I’m not really looking at it as though I’m – I know I’m coming from a smaller school and all, but I’m just ready to play. I feel like once you get on that level, you’ve got to prove yourself at that point. So, I’m just trying to prove myself and put my best foot forward.”

Some of your biggest games in college were against FBS teams. Did you have a chip on your shoulder playing those bigger schools and did you feel like you took your game up a notch?

“You’ve got to get up for games like those, especially coming from the conference that I came from, you don’t really get a chance to play a lot of those bigger schools. Just embracing the opportunity and proving yourself. Everybody can play at any level, I feel like. If you get your chance, I feel like you’ve got to take advantage of it. I was just trying to take advantage of my opportunity and show them that I could play a little bit.”

Are there any NFL players that you model your game after?

“I wouldn’t say I pattern my game after any particular receiver. I like just to watch a lot of great receivers in the league in general – quick, twitchy guys or guys that can separate at the top of their routes. I wouldn’t name just any one receiver. I feel like playing that receiver position is hard and if you have something in your game that I like, I try to just take it away and try to add it into mine.”

Your initial thoughts on your interactions with Head Coach and General Manager Bill O’Brien and Wide Receivers Coach John Perry?

“Great guys. Really eager to have me and work with me, just trying to get me up to speed with those guys at that level. I would say I’m just grateful for the opportunity. I thank those guys. It’s just great right now. I can’t even describe it, but I appreciate those guys for believing in me and seeing something in me. I hope to make those guys proud.”

Has it sunk in that you’ll be catching passes from QB Deshaun Watson, and how much have you watched of him?

“It hasn’t sunk in yet. Maybe later tonight it’ll sink in. I’ve been watching him since he played at Clemson, so that’ll be pretty cool just to catch passes from him. I’m just ready to get to work.”