



HOUSTON TEXANS

2019 NFL DRAFT GUIDE

THURSDAY-SATURDAY, APRIL 25-27, 2019

The Houston Texans will participate in the franchise's 18th NFL Draft from Thursday, April 25 through Saturday, April 27. Houston has seven picks in the draft: one in the first round, two in the second, one in the third, one in the fifth, one in the sixth and one in the seventh round.

This marks the first time the Texans have three selections in the first 55 overall picks since the franchise's inaugural draft in 2002 when they selected QB David Carr, WR Jabar Gaffney and G Chester Pitts.

The Texans hold the 23rd overall pick in the first round, which will mark Houston's first first-round selection since drafting QB Deshaun Watson in the first round of the 2017 NFL Draft.

The Texans acquired the 22nd pick of the second round (54th overall) from the Seattle Seahawks and also hold the 23rd selection of the round (55th overall). Houston will finish Day 2 with the 23rd pick (86th overall) of the third round.

The Texans will continue on Day 3 with the 23rd selection in the fifth round (161st overall), 23rd pick in the sixth round (195th overall) and acquired the sixth pick (220th overall) of the seventh round in a mid-season trade with the Denver Broncos.

The first round of the 2019 NFL Draft will start on Thursday with the second and third rounds on Friday, followed by rounds four through seven on Saturday.

Texans fans are invited to come out to the Houston Texans Draft Party presented by Miller Lite on April 25 at NRG Stadium. The Draft Party will begin at 6 p.m. CT. Texans players will be available throughout the concourse at "Pic with a Player" locations to take pictures with fans, and Texans Ambassadors will be on hand to sign autographs throughout the evening.

The NFL Draft, which was held in Dallas last year, will be hosted in Nashville, Tenn. in 2019.

The draft will be televised nationally by NFL Network, ESPN/ESPN 2, FOX and ABC, and can be heard nationwide on Westwood One Radio, SiriusXM NFL Radio and TuneIn Radio.

2019 DRAFT PICKS

	Pick	Overall
Round 1	23	23
Round 2*	22	54
Round 2	23	55
Round 3	23	86
Round 5	23	161
Round 6	23	195
Round 7^	6	220

* - Acquired from Seattle
^ - Acquired from the N.Y. Giants via Denver

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TEXANS DRAFT BASICS / 2019 SCHEDULE

TEXANS 2019 SCHEDULE

PRESEASON

Day	Date	Opponent	TV	Time
Thursday	Aug. 8	at Green Bay Packers	KTRK	7 p.m.
Saturday	Aug. 17	DETROIT LIONS	KTRK	7 p.m.
Saturday	Aug. 24	at Dallas Cowboys	KTRK	6 p.m.
Thursday	Aug. 29	LOS ANGELES RAMS	KTRK	7 p.m.

REGULAR SEASON

Day	Date	Opponent	TV	Time
Monday	Sept. 9	at New Orleans Saints	ESPN#	6:10 p.m.
Sunday	Sept. 15	JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS	CBS	Noon
Sunday	Sept. 22	at Los Angeles Chargers	CBS	3:25 p.m.
Sunday	Sept. 29	CAROLINA PANTHERS	FOX	Noon
Sunday	Oct. 6	ATLANTA FALCONS	FOX	Noon
Sunday	Oct. 13	at Kansas City Chiefs	CBS	Noon
Sunday	Oct. 20	at Indianapolis Colts	CBS	Noon
Sunday	Oct. 27	OAKLAND RAIDERS	CBS	Noon
Sunday	Nov. 3	at Jacksonville Jaguars	NFLN#	8:30 a.m.
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Sunday	Nov. 17	at Baltimore Ravens	CBS	Noon
Thursday	Nov. 21	INDIANAPOLIS COLTS	FOX#	7:20 p.m.
Sunday	Dec. 1	NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS	NBC#	7:20 p.m.
Sunday	Dec. 8	DENVER BRONCOS	CBS	Noon
Sunday	Dec. 15	at Tennessee Titans	CBS	Noon
TBD	Dec. 21/22	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers	TBD	TBD
Sunday	Dec. 29	TENNESSEE TITANS	CBS	Noon

Italic indicates games subject to flex scheduling.

All kickoff times are Central; # - Televised Nationally; Home Games in **BOLD**

All games are broadcast live on Texans Radio on SportsRadio610, 100.3 The Bull and in Spanish on Mega 101 FM.

Houston's Week 12 game will be simulcast on NFL Network and Amazon.

HOUSTON TEXANS ON NFL OMG

The Texans media website can be accessed at www.NFLOMG.com. Please follow the link and click on the Texans logo to access the team's page. For customized access to the site, utilize your email address as your username and "TexansMedia" as your password. For generic access, utilize the username "**HoustonTexans**" and password "**TexansMedia**".

The Texans' NFL OMG site will contain the complete 2019 Media Guide, all weekly game releases, Texans player bios and rosters, Texans staff information and bios, weekly flip cards, a game tracker, all Texans team and individual records and statistics, Texans historical information, daily press releases and transcripts and much more.

The game releases and media guide are updated weekly during the season and available in a PDF format for printing purposes. On gamedays, the site will host live statistics, updated player notes, postgame quotes and more.

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DRAFT PARTY PRESENTED BY MILLER LITE



Houston Texans fans are invited to come out to the 2019 Houston Texans Draft Party presented by Miller Lite on Thursday, April 25 at NRG Stadium. The Draft Party will begin at 6 p.m. CT.

On Thursday during the first round of the 2019 NFL Draft, NFL Network's coverage will be shown on the HD televisions throughout the 100 Level

Concourse and Texans Radio on SportsRadio 610 will be broadcast live with commentary and analysis from "The Voice of the Texans," Marc Vandermeer, and a number of special guests.

Houston Texans players will be available throughout the concourse at "Pic with a Player" locations to take pictures with fans. Texans Ambassadors will also be on hand to sign autographs throughout the evening. The 2019 Houston Texans Cheerleader Squad will make their first team appearance while signing autographs and taking pictures with fans.

Young fans can play in the TORO's Kids Club Zone, which will feature interactive games, a balloon artist, face painters and appearances by TORO and Deep Steel Thunder.

23 PROSPECTS TO ATTEND NFL DRAFT

Twenty-three prospects are confirmed to attend the 2019 NFL Draft in Nashville, Tenn., the NFL announced.

Two colleges – Alabama and Oklahoma – will each have three players in attendance while two schools – Iowa and Louisiana State – will have two players in attendance. The Southeastern Conference leads all conferences with 11 prospects confirmed to attend the event.

The draft begins with the first round on Thursday night, April 25 and continues Friday, April 26 with Rounds 2-3. The draft will conclude on Saturday, April 27 with Rounds 4-7.

The NFL Draft, which was held in Dallas last year, will be hosted in the state of Tennessee for the first time in league history.

PROSPECTS ATTENDING THE 2019 NFL DRAFT

Name	Pos.	School
Josh Allen	LB	Kentucky
DeAndre Baker	DB	Georgia
Nick Bosa	DE	Ohio State
Marquise Brown	WR	Oklahoma
Brian Burns	DE	Florida State
Devin Bush	LB	Michigan
Andre Dillard	T	Washington State
Noah Fant	TE	Iowa
Cody Ford	T	Oklahoma
T.J. Hockenson	TE	Iowa
Josh Jacobs	RB	Alabama
Daniel Jones	QB	Duke
Drew Lock	QB	Missouri
D.K. Metcalf	WR	Mississippi
Kyler Murray	QB	Oklahoma
Ed Oliver	DT	Houston
Montez Sweat	DE	Mississippi State
Jawaan Taylor	T	Florida
Devin White	LB	Louisiana State
Christian Wilkins	DT	Clemson
Greedy Williams	CB	Louisiana State
Jonah Williams	T	Alabama
Quinnen Williams	DT	Alabama

2019 DRAFT MEDIA AVAILABILITY

THURSDAY, APRIL 25 (Round 1 & Houston Texans Draft Party presented by Miller Lite)

Round 1 begins at 7 p.m. CDT

5:30 p.m. NRG Stadium Media Workroom open to media
6 p.m. Dinner served to media in the media workroom
7 p.m. The 84th NFL Draft begins
End of Day **Brian Gaine** will address the media following the conclusion of the first round. The team's draft pick will be made available to media via conference call.

B-ROLL OPPORTUNITY

6 - 9:30 p.m. Texans Draft Party presented by Miller Lite (100 Level, NRG Stadium)

FRIDAY, APRIL 26 (Rounds 2-3)

Round 2 begins at 6 p.m. CDT

4:30 p.m. NRG Stadium Media Workroom open to media
5 p.m. Dinner served to media in media workroom
6 p.m. Round 2 begins
End of Day **Brian Gaine** will address the media following the team's final selection of the day. Each draft pick will be made available to media via conference call.

SATURDAY, APRIL 27 (Rounds 4-7)

Round 4 begins at 11 a.m. CDT

9:30 a.m. NRG Stadium Media Workroom open to media
10 a.m. Breakfast served to media in the media workroom
11 a.m. Round 4 begins
4 p.m. Dinner served to media in the media workroom
End of Day **Brian Gaine & Bill O'Brien** will address the media following the final selection of the 2019 NFL Draft. Each draft pick will also be made available to media via conference call.

CREDENTIALS

Please reach out to **Allie LeClair** (allie.leclair@houstontexans.com) if you plan on attending the NFL Draft at NRG Stadium on any day, so you can receive a parking pass and access to the stadium.

PARKING

Thursday-Saturday: Please park in the Blue Lot located off of Kirby Drive and Westridge Street. You will need a parking pass from **Allie LeClair** (allie.leclair@houstontexans.com). There will be an area reserved for media and you will enter the stadium through Bud Light Plaza.

MEDIA WORKROOM

With the exception of the Houston Texans Draft Party presented by Miller Lite, all media availabilities, as well as the working press room will be housed in the media workroom of NRG Stadium. Wireless Internet will be available, as well as food and beverage daily. The media workroom is located on the first level of NRG Stadium next to the Verizon West Club Lobby.

LIVE SHOTS

Any outlets needing to shoot live shots or have satellite truck parking on Friday must contact **Allie LeClair** (allie.leclair@houstontexans.com) with details for approval. There will be limited space available.



HOPKINS TO ANNOUNCE ROUND 2 PICK

Texans WR **DeAndre Hopkins** will announce Houston's second-round pick in the 2019 NFL Draft. Since being selected by the Texans in the first round of the 2013 NFL Draft, Hopkins has joined Randy Moss as the only wide receivers to record at least 500 receptions, 7,400 yards and 47 touchdowns through a player's first six seasons in NFL history. The three-time All-Pro wide receiver ranks second in franchise history in career receptions (528), receiving yards (7,437) and receiving touchdowns (47).

In 2018, Hopkins set career highs in both receptions (115) and receiving yards (1,572) and earned first-team All-Pro and Pro Bowl honors for a second-consecutive season. At 26 years, six months and three days, Hopkins became the second-youngest player in NFL history to reach 7,000 career receiving yards behind only Larry Fitzgerald.

In the NFL's continuous effort to connect the game's greats with the next generation of stars, 64 NFL Legends and active players will add to the excitement of the 2019 NFL Draft by announcing various selections and participating in festivities in Nashville.

Round 2 Draft selections will be announced by previous NFL club first-round picks, while Round 3 will be announced by players who were drafted in later rounds. In addition to announcing NFL Draft selections, players will be on-site to mentor the prospects and give back to the city of Nashville through participation in a variety of community service events. To view the entire list of the participating Legends and active players visit www.NFLCommunications.com.

2019 OFFSEASON MEDIA AVAILABILITY SCHEDULE

ROOKIE MINICAMP

FRIDAY, MAY 10 & SATURDAY, MAY 11

- Practice at Houston Methodist Training Center
- Practice times are TBD
- Bill O'Brien & Texans players will be made available

OTAs

TUESDAY, MAY 21, WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 & TUESDAY, JUNE 4

- Practice at Houston Methodist Training Center
- Practice times are TBD
- Bill O'Brien & Texans players will be made available

VETERAN MINICAMP

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12 & THURSDAY, JUNE 13

- Practice at Houston Methodist Training Center
- Practice times are TBD
- Bill O'Brien & Texans players will be made available

2019 DRAFT INFORMATION



WHAT

84th Annual National Football League Player Selection Meeting.

WHERE

Nashville, Tennessee.

WHEN

8:00 PM ET, Thursday, April 25 (Round 1).

7:00 PM ET, Friday, April 26 (Rounds 2-3).

Noon ET, Saturday, April 27 (Rounds 4-7).

The first round will conclude on Thursday by approximately 11:30 PM ET. In 2018, the first round consumed three hours and 25 minutes. The second and third rounds will conclude on Friday by approximately 10:30 PM ET. The second and third rounds took a combined three hours and 44 minutes in 2018. The draft will conclude by approximately 6:30 PM ET on Saturday with the final four rounds. Rounds 4 through 7 took six hours and 39 minutes in 2018.

DRAFTING

Representatives of the 32 NFL clubs by telephone communication with their general managers, coaches and scouts.

ROUNDS

Seven Rounds – Round 1 on Thursday, April 25; Rounds 2 and 3 on Friday, April 26; and Rounds 4 through 7 on Saturday, April 27.

There will be 254 selections, including 32 compensatory choices that have been awarded to 15 teams that suffered a net loss of certain quality unrestricted free agents last year.

The following 32 compensatory choices will supplement the 222 regular choices in the seven rounds –

Round 3: Washington, 33; New England, 34; Los Angeles Rams, 35; Los Angeles Rams, 36; Carolina, 37; New England, 38; Baltimore 39. Round 4: Indianapolis, 33; Dallas, 34; Atlanta, 35; Philadelphia, 36. Round 5: New York Giants, 33; Atlanta, 34; Washington, 35. Round 6: New England, 33; Washington, 34; Arizona, 35; Philadelphia, 36; Minnesota, 37; Cincinnati, 38; Cincinnati, 39; San Francisco, 40; Cincinnati, 41; Kansas City, 42. Round 7: Minnesota, 33; Arizona, 34; Arizona, 35; Minnesota, 36; Los Angeles Rams, 37; New England, 38; Washington, 39; Arizona, 40.

TIME LIMITS

Round 1: 10 minutes per selection.

Round 2: Seven minutes per selection.

Rounds 3-6, including compensatory picks: Five minutes per selection.

Round 7, including compensatory picks: Four minutes per selection.

TELEVISION & RADIO

The 2019 NFL Draft will be televised nationally by NFL Network, ABC, ESPN and ESPN Deportes, and can be heard nationwide on Westwood One Radio, SiriusXM NFL Radio, TuneIn Radio and ESPN Radio.

INTERNET

On Thursday, April 25, *Draft Tonight* on NFL.com streams immediately following the conclusion of NFL Network's coverage of the first round of the 2019 NFL Draft. Host of NFL Network's *Good Morning Football* Kay Adams and Tennessee Titans T Taylor Lewan interview top draftees in Nashville once they're selected.

Draft Tonight on NFL.com continues Friday, April 26 and Saturday, April 27 each day following NFL Network's live draft coverage. Host Matt "Money" Smith anchors the coverage each day from Los Angeles, joined by analysts Bucky Brooks, Maurice Jones-Drew and Lance Zierlein providing analysis and reaction to Rounds 2-7, as well as overall draft winners and grades for the 2019 selections.

Additionally, NFL.com's Draft Tracker has live coverage of every selection in the draft, including video and analysis of the picks as they happen.

MOBILE

Live NFL Network coverage of the 2019 NFL Draft is available across devices (smartphone, PC, tablet and connected TVs) through the NFL app or NFL.com/watch for subscribers of participating NFL Network providers. For more information, go to NFL.com/nflnetwork.

2019 NFL FIRST ROUND DRAFT ORDER

Pick	Team
1	Arizona Cardinals
2	San Francisco 49ers
3	New York Jets
4	Oakland Raiders
5	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
6	New York Giants
7	Jacksonville Jaguars
8	Detroit Lions
9	Buffalo Bills
10	Denver Broncos
11	Cincinnati Bengals
12	Green Bay Packers
13	Miami Dolphins
14	Atlanta Falcons
15	Washington Redskins
16	Carolina Panthers
17	New York Giants (from Cleveland)
18	Minnesota Vikings
19	Tennessee Titans
20	Pittsburgh Steelers
21	Seattle Seahawks
22	Baltimore Ravens
23	Houston Texans
24	Oakland Raiders (from Chicago)
25	Philadelphia Eagles
26	Indianapolis Colts
27	Oakland Raiders (from Dallas)
28	Los Angeles Chargers
29	Kansas City Chiefs
30	Green Bay Packers (from New Orleans)
31	Los Angeles Rams
32	New England Patriots

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	2014	Jay Prosch, Auburn	6	211
WR	2018	Keke Coutee, Texas Tech	4	103
TE	2018	Jordan Akins, Central Florida	3	98
	2018	Jordan Thomas, Mississippi St.	6	211
T	2018	Martinas Rankin, Mississippi St.	3	80
G	2014	Xavier Su'a-Filo, UCLA	2	33
C/LS	2017	Kyle Fuller, Baylor	7	243
DE	2017	Carlos Watkins, Clemson	4	142
DT	2016	D.J. Reader, Clemson	5	166
LB	2018	Duke Ejiogor, Wake Forest	6	177
	2018	Peter Kalambayi, Stanford	6	214
CB	2018	Jermaine Kelly, San Jose State	7	222
S	2018	Justin Reid, Stanford	3	68
K/P	2012	Randy Bullock, Texas A&M	5	161

TEXANS ALL-TIME COMPENSATORY PICKS

The Texans were awarded three compensatory picks in the 2018 NFL Draft. They have had 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 INDEX

Below is a look at the Texans' draft selections by position and round in the NFL Draft 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	1	12
WR	3	1	4	3	1	2	2	16
TE		1	2	3	1	2	1	10
T	1	1	5	1	1	2	1	12
G		1	2			2		5
C/LS		1	1	1	1		2	6
DE	3	1	1	2		1	2	10
DT	2		3		2	4	1	12
LB	3	4	1	3		4	3	18
CB	3	1	1	3	2	3	2	15
S		1	1	1	4	3	3	13
K/P					1			1
Total	17	13	25	21	15	27	20	138

TEXANS ALL-ROOKIE DRAFT SELECTIONS

The Texans have had 13 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

2018 SELECTIONS OF 2019 DRAFT SLOTS

Rd	Overall	2018 Pick, Pos.	School	Team
1	23	Isaiah Wynn, T	Georgia	New England
2	54	Jessie Bates III, DB	Wake Forest	Cincinnati
2	55	Donte Jackson, CB	LSU	Carolina
3	86	Mark Andrews, TE	Oklahoma	Baltimore
5	161	Jermaine Carter Jr., LB	Maryland	Carolina
6	195	Sebastian Joseph-Day, DT	Rutgers	LA Rams
7	220	Alex McGough, QB	Florida International	Seattle

TEXANS DRAFT NOTES

BEYOND THE FIRST & SECOND

G FRED WEARY (2002, 3RD ROUND, 66TH PICK)

Started 43-of-63 games he appeared in for the Texans from 2002-07. Blocked for two 1,000-yard rushers.

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.

S GLENN EARL (2004, 4TH ROUND, 122ND PICK)

Started 31-of-37 games from 2004-06 and recorded 147 total tackles (112 solo), three interceptions, 10 passes defended, 2.0 sacks and one forced fumble.

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 kickoffs 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-five 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 (248 solo), 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 in 2009.

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 touchdowns (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.

TE C.J. FIEDOROWICZ (2014, 3RD ROUND, 65TH PICK)

Started 42-of-51 games that he appeared in with the Texans from 2014-17, recording 89 receptions for 881 (9.9 avg.) and six 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, since 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)

Set career highs in sacks (2.0) tackles for loss (five) and games started (16) in 2018. Tallied 102 total tackles (53 solo), 11 quarterback hits, 10 tackles for loss and 4.0 sacks in 46 games (37 starts) since being drafted in 2016. Recorded a sack in Houston's Wild Card victory over the Raiders in 2016, becoming the third Texans rookie to record a sack in the postseason.

TEXANS DRAFT NOTES

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

The Texans saw a lot of production from their 2018 draft class on both offense and defense.

TE JORDAN AKINS (3RD ROUND, 98TH OVERALL)

Recorded 17 receptions for 225 yards (13.2 avg.) in 16 games as a rookie.

WR KEKE COUTEE (4TH ROUND, 103RD OVERALL)

Set franchise records for the most receptions (11) and receiving yards (109) in an NFL debut in Week 4 at Indianapolis. Finished his rookie season with 28 receptions for 287 yards (10.3 avg.) and one touchdown in six games played.

OLB DUKE EJIJOFOR (6TH ROUND, 177TH OVERALL)

Notched eight total tackles (six solo), 1.0 sack, two passes defended, two quarterback hits, one tackle for loss and one fumble recovery in 11 games. Became the fifth rookie in franchise history to record a sack in his first career NFL game.

ILB PETER KALAMBAYI (6TH ROUND, 214TH OVERALL)

Tallied five total tackles (four solo) on defense and eight special teams tackles in 15 games played as a rookie.

T MARTINAS RANKIN (3RD ROUND, 80TH OVERALL)

Appeared in all 16 games (four starts) at both left tackle and left guard.

S JUSTIN REID (3RD ROUND, 68TH OVERALL)

Compiled 81 total tackles (64 solo), three interceptions (including one returned 101 yards for a touchdown), 10 passes defended, one quarterback hit, two tackles for loss, one forced fumble, two fumble recoveries and seven special teams tackles in 16 games (12 starts), becoming the first NFL player to record that stat line in a season since each stat became officially tracked by the NFL.

TE JORDAN THOMAS (6TH ROUND, 211TH OVERALL)

Finished his rookie season with 20 receptions for 215 yards (10.8 avg.) and four touchdowns, which tied Andre Johnson (four) for the second-most touchdown receptions in a season by a rookie in team history. Thomas also tied Mychal Rivera and Clarence Moore (four) for the second-most touchdown receptions by a rookie selected in the sixth round-or-later since 1991.

BUILT THROUGH THE DRAFT

Despite not having a first- or second-round selection in the 2018 NFL Draft, Texans rookies combined to play 18.73 percent of all team played (4,600-of-24,565) in 2018, which marked the third-highest among NFL division leaders.

Houston's rookie class played a total of 4,600 snaps on offense, defense and special teams, which ranked 10th in the NFL. The Texans rookie class played 16.96 percent of offensive and defensive snaps (2,911-of-17,168) and led the NFL in percentage of special teams snaps played at 22.83 percent (1,689-of-7,397 total special teams snaps.)

On offense, Texans rookie TE Jordan Thomas tied Andre Johnson for the second-most touchdown receptions (four) by a rookie in franchise history, while WR Keke Coutee set franchise records for the most receptions (11) and receiving yards (109) in a player's NFL debut.

On defense, Texans rookie S Justin Reid became the first player to record 81 total tackles, three interceptions, 10 passes defended, two fumble recoveries and seven special teams tackles in the NFL since each stat became officially tracked by the NFL, while rookie OLB Duke Ejiyor became just the fifth player in team history to record a sack in his NFL debut.

As for special teams, Texans rookie S A.J. Moore led the team with 11 special teams tackles, while rookie P Trevor Daniel finished fourth in the NFL with 36 punts pinned inside the 20-yard line in 2018.

HOME GROWN

The Texans have drafted 21 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.

Houston took Texas Tech WR **Keke Coutee** in the fourth round (103rd overall) of the 2018 NFL Draft and OLB **Duke Ejiyor** in the sixth round (177th overall). Coutee is from Lufkin, Texas and Ejiyor is from Houston. This marked the second year in a row the Texans selected two players with Texas ties.

TEXANS DRAFTED BY THE TEXANS

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

Bold indicates made active roster that season

TEXANS DRAFT NOTES



Texans S Justin Reid—a third-round selection in the 2018 NFL Draft—recorded the second-longest interception return for a touchdown in franchise history with a 101-yard interception return at Washington in Week 11. Reid tied for the second-longest interception return for a touchdown by a rookie in NFL history.

THE EIGHTH ROUND

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

ILB DYLAN COLE (2017) - Registered 38 total tackles (23 solo), 1.0 sack, two interceptions including one returned for a touchdown, six passes defended and seven special teams tackles in two seasons in Houston.

P TREVOR DANIEL (2018) - Ranked fourth in the NFL and tied a franchise record with 36 punts pinned inside the 20-yard line as a rookie.

K KA'IMI FAIRBAIRN (2016) - Set franchise records and led the NFL in points scored (150) and field goals made (37) in 2018, and connected on his final 15 field goal attempts of the 2018 season.

C/G GREG MANCZ (2015) - Appeared in 45 career regular season games with 27 starts at both center and guard. Also has appeared in three postseason contests with two starts.

OLB BRENNAN SCARLETT (2016) - Finished with 12 total tackles (eight solo), three passes defended, two quarterback hits, one interception, one forced fumble, one fumble recovery and six special teams tackles in 12 games played in 2018.

WR VYNCINT SMITH (2018) - In Week 16 at Philadelphia, became the first college free agent to record a touchdown reception to tie or take the lead in the final 2:30 of a game since Dolphins RB Damien Williams in Week 16 of the 2014 season.

DIAMONDS IN THE ROUGH

In his first NFL draft at the helm, Texans General Manager **Brian Gaine** selected several contributing rookies in the sixth round-or-later and signed several college free agents who played vital roles for Houston in 2018.

Texans TE Jordan Thomas—selected with the 37th pick of the sixth round (211th overall)—tied Mychal Rivera and Clarence Moore (four) for the second-most touchdown receptions by a rookie selected in the sixth round-or-later in the NFL since 1991.

Sixth-round selection OLB Duke Ejirofor became just the third Texans rookie to record a sack in the first two weeks of a season and the first since NT Amobi Okoye in Week 2 of the 2007 season, while fellow sixth-round selection ILB Peter Kalambayi became a stalwart of the Texans special teams units, recording eight special teams tackles in 15 games played as a rookie.

Texans S A.J. Moore recorded the fourth-most special teams total tackles (11) by a college free agent rookie in the NFL, P Trevor Daniel tied a franchise record for the most punts pinned inside the 20-yard line with 36 and WR Vyncint Smith became the first rookie college free agent to start in Week 1 for Houston in franchise history.

DEFENSIVE TREND

In 2017, for the second year in a row, the Texans drafted an offensive player in the first round. It was the second time in team history the Texans took an offensive player in the first round in back-to-back drafts and the first time since 2002-03. Houston then drafted a defensive player in the second round. Historically, the Texans have drafted mostly defensive players in the first two rounds. Only seven of Houston's 25 first- or second-round picks since 2004 have been on the offensive side of the ball.

TEXANS FIRST AND SECOND ROUND DRAFT PICKS, 2004-17

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

Defensive players in italics

FIRST-ROUND FACTORS

Houston's first-round draft picks have made immediate impacts, with all but two playing in 14-or-more games as a rookie.

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

Bold indicates current Texan.

TEXANS DRAFT SLOTS (2009-18)

Below is a look at who has been drafted with the selections the Texans have in the 2019 NFL Draft since 2009.

#23 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Isaiah Wynn	T	Georgia	New England Patriots
2017	Evan Engram	TE	Mississippi	New York Giants
2016	Laquon Treadwell	WR	Mississippi	Minnesota Vikings
2015	Shane Ray	LB	Missouri	Denver Broncos
2014	Dee Ford	DE	Auburn	Kansas City Chiefs
2013	Sharif Floyd	DT	Florida	Minnesota Vikings
2012	Riley Reiff	T	Iowa	Detroit Lions
2011	Danny Watkins	G	Baylor	Philadelphia Eagles
2010	Bryan Bulaga	T	Iowa	Green Bay Packers
2009	Michael Oher	T	Mississippi	Baltimore Ravens

#54 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Jessie Bates III	DB	Wake Forest	Cincinnati Bengals
2017	Raekwon McMillan	LB	Ohio State	Miami Dolphins
2016	Mackensie Alexander	CB	Clemson	Minnesota Vikings
2015	Ameer Abdullah	RB	Nebraska	Detroit Lions
2014	Bishop Sankey	RB	Washington	Tennessee Titans
2013	Jamar Taylor	CB	Boise State	Miami Dolphins
2012	Ryan Broyles	WR	Oklahoma	Detroit Lions
2011	Jaiquawn Jarrett	S	Temple	Philadelphia Eagles
2010	Carlos Dunlap	DE	Florida	Cincinnati Bengals
2009	Phil Loadholt	T	Oklahoma	Minnesota Vikings

#55 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Donte Jackson	CB	LSU	Carolina Panthers
2017	Dalvin Tomlinson	DT	Alabama	New York Giants
2016	Tyler Boyd	WR	Pittsburgh	Cincinnati Bengals
2015	Maxx Williams	TE	Minnesota	Baltimore Ravens
2014	Jeremy Hill	RB	LSU	Cincinnati Bengals
2013	Vance McDonald	TE	Rice	San Francisco 49ers
2012	Peter Konz	G	Wisconsin	Atlanta Falcons
2011	Rodney Hudson	C	Florida State	Kansas City Chiefs
2010	Sean Lee	LB	Penn State	Dallas Cowboys
2009	William Moore	S	Missouri	Atlanta Falcons

#86 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Mark Andrews	TE	Oklahoma	Baltimore Ravens
2017	Kareem Hunt	RB	Toledo	Kansas City Chiefs
2016	Leonte Carroo	WR	Rutgers	Miami Dolphins
2015	David Johnson	RB	Northern Iowa	Arizona Cardinals
2014	Josh Huff	WR	Oregon	Philadelphia Eagles
2013	Hugh Thornton	G	Illinois	Indianapolis Colts
2012	Sean Spence	LB	Miami (Fla.)	Pittsburgh Steelers
2011	Allen Bailey	DE	Miami (Fla.)	Kansas City Chiefs
2010	Daniel Te'o-Nesheim	DE	Washington	Philadelphia Eagles
2009	Asher Allen	CB	Georgia	Minnesota Vikings

#161 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Jermaine Carter Jr.	LB	Maryland	Carolina Panthers
2017	Anthony Walker	LB	Northwestern	Indianapolis Colts
2016	Christian Westerman	G	Arizona State	Cincinnati Bengals
2015	Neiron Ball	LB	Florida	Oakland Raiders
2014	Corey Linsley	C	Ohio State	Green Bay Packers
2013	Tavarres King	WR	Georgia	Denver Broncos
2012	Randy Bullock	K	Texas A&M	Houston Texans
2011	Julian Vandervelde	G	Iowa	Philadelphia Eagles
2010	Chris DeGeare	G	Wake Forest	Minnesota Vikings
2009	John Nalbone	TE	Monmouth	Miami Dolphins

#195 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Sebastian Joseph-Day	DT	Rutgers	Los Angeles Rams
2017	Tanner Vallejo	LB	Boise State	Buffalo Bills
2016	Wes Schweitzer	G	San Jose State	Atlanta Falcons
2015	Malcolm Johnson	TE	Mississippi State	Cleveland Browns
2014	Brandon Dixon	CB	Northwest Missouri St.	New York Jets
2013	Alan Bonner	WR	Jacksonville State	Houston Texans
2012	Nick Mondak	T	Purdue	Houston Texans
2011	J.T. Thomas III	LB	West Virginia	Chicago Bears
2010	Antonio Brown	WR	Central Michigan	Pittsburgh Steelers
2009	James Davis	RB	Clemson	Cleveland Browns

#220 OVERALL

Year	Player	Pos	College	Team
2018	Alex McGough	QB	Florida International	Seattle Seahawks
2017	Ifeadi Odenigbo	DE	Northwestern	Minnesota Vikings
2016	Travis Feeney	LB	Washington	Pittsburgh Steelers
2015	Neal Sterling	WR	Monmouth	Jacksonville Jaguars
2014	Shamar Stephen	DT	Connecticut	Minnesota Vikings
2013	Ryan Seymour	G	Vanderbilt	Seattle Seahawks
2012	Greg McCoy	CB	TCU	Chicago Bears
2011	Shaun Chapas	RB	Georgia	Dallas Cowboys
2010	Jamar Chaney	LB	Mississippi State	Philadelphia Eagles
2009	Ellis Lankster	CB	West Virginia	Buffalo Bills



The Texans used the 161st overall pick in the 2012 NFL Draft on K Randy Bullock, who scored 130 total points for Houston during the 2014 season on 30 made field goal attempts and 40 made extra point attempts. That marks the fourth-most points scored by a Texans player in a single season in franchise history.

Bold indicates pick was made by Texans.

TEXANS DRAFT TRADE HISTORY

The Texans have executed 23 draft day trades. Below is a look at those trades and who was selected with the acquired picks:

HOUSTON TEXANS DRAFT DAY TRADE HISTORY

Year	Trade Partner	Gave Up	Received
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)
2012	Tampa Bay	2nd round (58)	6th round (198 - Chris Jones)
		7th round (233)	3rd round (68 - DeVier Posey)
			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)
2010	Kansas City	5th round (138)	
		3rd round (93)	4th round (102 - Darryl Sharpton)
2010	New England	2nd round (62)	5th round (144 - Sherrick McManis)
		5th round (150)	2nd round (58 - Ben Tate)
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)

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

Apr. 26, 2003: Traded second-round pick (36th overall) and fourth-round pick (117th overall) to New England for second-round pick (41st overall-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).

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

Apr. 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.

Apr. 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).

Apr. 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).

Apr. 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).

Apr. 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).

Apr. 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 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.

Apr. 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.

Apr. 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.

Apr. 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.

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY YEAR

2002

Rd	Pick	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
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2003

Rd	Pick	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 Williams	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
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2004

Rd	Pick	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	Pick	Pos.	Player	College
1	16	DT	Travis Johnson	Florida State
3	73	RB	Vernand Morency	Oklahoma State
4	114	WR	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	Pick	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	Pick	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	Pick	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 State

2009

Rd	Pick	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	Pick	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	Pick	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	Pick	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	Pick	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	Trevarro Williams	Connecticut
6	176	*T	David Quessenberry	San Jose State
6	195	*WR	Alan Bonner	Jacksonville State
6	198	DT	Chris Jones	Bowling Green
6	201	TE	Ryan Griffin	Connecticut

2014

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

2018

Rd	Pick	Player	College
3	68	S Justin Reid	Stanford
3	80	T Martinus 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

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

TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY POSITION

LINEBACKERS (18)

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

WIDE RECEIVERS (16)

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

CORNERBACKS (15)

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

SAFETIES (13)

Year	Player	Round	Overall
2018	Justin Reid	3	68
2016	K.J. Dillon	5	159
2012	Lonnie Ballentine	7	256
2013	D.J. Swearinger	2	57
2011	Shiloh Keo	5	144
2009	Troy Nolan	7	223
2008	Dominique Barber	6	173
2007	Brandon Harrison	5	144
2005	C.C. Brown	6	188
2004	Glenn Earl	4	122
2004	Jammal Lord	6	175
2003	Curry Burns	7	217
2002	Ramon Walker	5	153

DEFENSIVE TACKLES (12)

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

RUNNING BACKS/FULLBACKS (12)

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

OFFENSIVE TACKLES (12)

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

DEFENSIVE ENDS (10)

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

TIGHT ENDS (10)

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

QUARTERBACKS (8)

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

CENTERS/LONG SNAPPERS (6)

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

GUARDS (5)

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

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 Williams	2003
WR/KR	Trindon Holliday	2010
OLB	Sam Montgomery	2013
RB	Alfred Blue	2014
RB	Kenny Hilliard	2015

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NOTRE DAME

SS	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

PITTSBURGH

SS	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. Swearingen	2013
OLB	Jadeveon Clowney	2014

TEXAS

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

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
SS	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

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	Trevarde Williams	2013
TE	Ryan Griffin	2013

KANSAS STATE

CB	DeMarcus Faggins	2002
LB	Zac Diles	2007

MICHIGAN

TE	Bennie Joppru	2003
QB	Drew Henson	2003

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MICHIGAN STATE

WR	Keshawn Martin	2012
WR	Keith Mumphery	2015

MINNESOTA

LB	Greg White	2002
S	Dominique Barber	2008

NEBRASKA

FS	Jammal Lord	2004
DE	Jared Crick	2012

NEW MEXICO

FB	Jarrold Baxter	2002
CB	Glover Quin	2009

NORTH CAROLINA

QB	T.J. Yates	2011
T	Brennan Williams	2013

NORTH CAROLINA STATE

DE	Mario Williams	2006
TE	Anthony Hill	2009

TEXAS A&M

LS/C	Chance Pearce	2003
K	Randy Bullock	2012

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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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	Julián Davenport	2017
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CENTRAL FLORIDA

TE	Jordan Akins	2018
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EASTERN KENTUCKY

CB	Antwaun Molden	2008
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FLORIDA

WR	Jabar Gaffney	2002
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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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LANE COLLEGE

WR	Jacoby Jones	2007
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LOUISIANA-LAFAYETTE

SS	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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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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PURDUE

T	Nick Mondek	2012
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RUTGERS

LB	Raheem Orr	2004
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SAN DIEGO STATE

T	Chester Pitts	2002
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SOUTH FLORIDA

LB	Reshard Cliett	2015
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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

LB	Jason Babin	2004
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TEXANS DRAFT HISTORY BY ROUND

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

TEXANS ROSTER BY ROUND

The Texans have 37 players on their active roster who were drafted, including nine former first-round picks, three from the second round, four from the third round, seven former fourth-round picks, four former fifth-round picks, eight former sixth-round picks and two former seventh-round picks. There are also 27 undrafted players on the Texans' 64-man active roster.

FIRST ROUND (9)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
CB	Johnathan Joseph	2006	24	Cincinnati
DE	J.J. Watt	2011	11	Houston
T	Matt Kalil	2012	4	Minnesota
OLB	Whitney Mercilus	2012	26	Houston
WR	DeAndre Hopkins	2013	27	Houston
DE/OLB	Jadeveon Clowney	2014	1	Houston
CB	Bradley Roby	2014	31	Denver
WR	Will Fuller V	2016	21	Houston
QB	Deshaun Watson	2017	12	Houston

SECOND ROUND (3)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
ILB	Benardrick McKinney	2015	43	Houston
C	Nick Martin	2016	50	Houston
ILB	Zach Cunningham	2017	57	Houston

THIRD ROUND (4)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
RB	D'Onta Foreman	2017	89	Houston
S	Justin Reid	2018	68	Houston
T	Martinas Rankin	2018	80	Houston
TE	Jordan Akins	2018	98	Houston

FOURTH ROUND (7)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
RB	Lamar Miller	2012	97	Miami
CB	Aaron Colvin	2014	114	Jacksonville
DE	Angelo Blackson	2015	100	Tennessee
T	Julián Davenport	2017	130	Houston
DE	Carlos Watkins	2017	142	Houston
WR	Keke Coutee	2018	103	Houston
T	Rick Leonard	2018	127	New Orleans

FIFTH ROUND (4)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
G	Senio Kelemete	2012	151	Arizona
QB	AJ McCarron	2014	164	Cincinnati
NT	D.J. Reader	2016	166	Houston
T	Roderick Johnson	2018	160	Cleveland

SIXTH ROUND (8)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
QB	Joe Webb III	2010	199	Minnesota
TE	Ryan Griffin	2013	201	Houston
C/G	Zach Fulton	2014	193	Kansas City
TE	Jerell Adams	2016	184	N.Y. Giants
S	Mike Tyson	2017	187	Seattle
OLB	Duke Ejirofor	2018	177	Houston
TE	Jordan Thomas	2018	211	Houston
ILB	Peter Kalambayi	2018	214	Houston

SEVENTH ROUND (2)

Pos.	Player	Year	Pick	Team
T	Seantrel Henderson	2014	237	Buffalo
CB	Jermaine Kelly Jr.	2018	222	Houston

UNDRAFTED (27)

Pos.	Player	Year	Team
LS	Jon Weeks	2010	Houston
CB	Johnson Bademosi	2012	Cleveland
S	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	2012	Cleveland
TE	Darren Fells	2013	Seattle
DE	Brandon Dunn	2014	Chicago
C/G	Greg Mancz	2015	Houston
WR	DeAndre Carter	2015	Baltimore
ILB	Tyrell Adams	2015	Seattle
K	Ka'imi Fairbairn	2016	Houston
DE	Joel Heath	2016	Houston
OLB	Brennan Scarlett	2016	Houston
RB	Josh Ferguson	2016	Indianapolis
OLB	Chris Landrum	2016	San Diego
CB	Briean Boddy-Calhoun	2016	Jacksonville
S	A.J. Hendy	2016	Miami
ILB	Dylan Cole	2017	Houston
WR	Isaac Whitney	2017	Oakland
G	Maurquice Shakir	2017	Baltimore
CB	Deante Burton	2017	Atlanta
WR	Vyncint Smith	2018	Houston
WR	Jester Weah	2018	Houston
OLB	Davin Bellamy	2018	Houston
P	Trevor Daniel	2018	Houston
WR	Steven Mitchell Jr.	2018	L.A. Rams
RB	Buddy Howell	2018	Miami
T	David Steinmetz	2018	Miami
S	A.J. Moore	2018	New England

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89	Adams, Jerell	TE	6-5	254	26	3	South Carolina	Pinewood, S.C.	FA-'18
50	Adams, Tyrell	ILB	6-2	230	26	4	West Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA-'18
88	Akins, Jordan	TE	6-4	243	26	2	Central Florida	Locust Grove, Ga.	D3c-'18
23	Bademosi, Johnson	CB	6-0	219	28	8	Stanford	Silver Spring, Md.	UFA-'18 (NE)
48	Bellamy, Davin	OLB	6-5	259	24	1	Georgia	Chamblee, Ga.	CFA-'18
97	Blackson, Angelo	DE	6-4	319	26	5	Auburn	Bear, Del.	FA-'17
30	Boddy-Calhoun, Brian	CB	5-9	193	26	4	Minnesota	Wilmington, Del.	FA-'19
25	Burton, Deante	CB	6-2	205	24	2	Kansas State	Manhattan, Kan.	FA-'18
14	Carter, DeAndre	WR	5-8	190	25	2	Sacramento State	San Jose, Calif.	W-'18 (PHI)
90	Clowney, Jadeveon	DE/OLB	6-5	255	26	6	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	D1-'14
51	Cole, Dylan	ILB	6-0	237	24	3	Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	CFA-'17
22	Colvin, Aaron	CB	6-0	191	27	6	Oklahoma	Tulsa, Okla.	UFA-'18 (JAX)
16	Coutee, Keke	WR	5-11	187	22	2	Texas Tech	Lufkin, Texas	D4-'18
41	Cunningham, Zach	ILB	6-3	238	24	3	Vanderbilt	Pinson, Ala.	D2-'17
8	Daniel, Trevor	P	6-1	231	24	2	Tennessee	Dickson, Tenn.	CFA-'18
70	Davenport, Julián	T	6-7	325	24	3	Bucknell	Paulsboro, N.J.	D4a-'17
92	Dunn, Brandon	NT	6-2	310	26	4	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	FA-'15
53	Ejiofor, Duke	OLB	6-4	255	23	2	Wake Forest	Houston, Texas	D6a-'18
7	Fairbairn, Ka'imi	K	6-0	183	25	4	UCLA	Kailua, Hawaii	CFA-'16
87	Fells, Darren	TE	6-7	270	32	6	California-Irvine	Fullerton, California	FA-'19
40	Ferguson, Josh	RB	5-10	205	25	3	Illinois	Naperville, Ill.	FA-'18
27	Foreman, D'Onta	RB	6-1	236	22	3	Texas	Texas City, Texas	D3-'17
15	Fuller V, Will	WR	6-0	184	24	4	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	D1-'16
73	Fulton, Zach	C/G	6-5	321	27	6	Tennessee	Homewood, Ill.	UFA-'18 (KC)
39	Gipson Sr., Tashaun	S	5-11	212	28	8	Wyoming	Dallas, Texas	FA-'19
84	Griffin, Ryan	TE	6-6	264	29	7	Connecticut	Londonderry, N.H.	D6d-'13
93	Heath, Joel	DE	6-6	302	25	4	Michigan State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'16
76	Henderson, Seantrel	T	6-7	351	27	6	Miami (Fla.)	St. Paul, Minn.	UFA-'18 (BUF)
45	Hendy, A.J.	S	6-0	206	25	1	Maryland	Bowie, Md.	FA-'18
10	Hopkins, DeAndre	WR	6-1	212	26	7	Clemson	Central, S.C.	D1-'13
38	Howell, Buddy	RB	6-1	218	23	2	Florida Atlantic	Coconut Grove, Fla.	W-'18 (MIA)
63	Johnson, Roderick	T	6-6	306	23	3	Florida State	Florissant, Mo.	W-'18 (CLE)
24	Joseph, Johnathan	CB	5-11	186	34	14	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	UFA-'11 (CIN)
58	Kalambayi, Peter	ILB	6-3	254	23	2	Stanford	Matthews, N.C.	D6c-'18
75	Kalil, Matt	T	6-7	315	29	8	Southern California	Corona, Calif.	FA-'19
64	Kelemete, Senio	G	6-3	301	28	7	Washington	Seattle, Wash.	UFA-'18 (NO)
35	Kelly Jr., Jermaine	CB	6-1	204	24	2	San Jose State	Los Angeles, Calif.	D7-'18
42	Landrum, Chris	OLB	6-2	245	26	4	Jacksonville State	Meridian, Miss.	FA-'18
72	Leonard, Rick	T	6-7	311	22	1	Florida State	Middletown, Md.	FA-'18
65	Mancz, Greg	C/G	6-4	302	26	5	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'15
66	Martin, Nick	C	6-4	295	25	4	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	D2-'16
2	McCarron, A.J.	QB	6-3	215	28	6	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	FA-'19
55	McKinney, Benardrick	ILB	6-4	257	26	5	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	D2-'15
59	Mercilus, Whitney	OLB	6-4	258	28	8	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	D1-'12
26	Miller, Lamar	RB	5-10	221	27	8	Miami (Fla.)	Miami, Fla.	UFA-'16 (MIA)
11	Mitchell Jr., Steven	WR	5-10	186	24	1	Southern California	Pasadena, Calif.	FA-'18
33	Moore, A.J.	S	5-11	200	23	2	Mississippi	Bassfield, Miss.	W-'18 (NE)
77	Rankin, Martinus	T	6-5	311	24	2	Mississippi State	Mendenhall, Miss.	D3b-'18
98	Reader, D.J.	DE/NT	6-3	347	24	4	Clemson	Greensboro, N.C.	D5b-'16
20	Reid, Justin	S	6-1	203	22	2	Stanford	Prairieville, La.	D3a-'18
21	Roby, Bradley	CB	5-11	194	26	6	Ohio State	Fort Worth, Texas	UFA-'19 (DEN)
57	Scarlett, Brennan	OLB	6-4	263	25	4	Stanford	Portland, Ore.	CFA-'16
61	Shakir, Maurquice	G	6-4	326	25	2	Middle Tennessee St.	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'18
17	Smith, Vyncint	WR	6-3	202	22	2	Limestone	Columbia, S.C.	CFA-'18
79	Steinmetz, David	T	6-8	321	24	1	Purdue	Grafton, Mass.	FA-'18
83	Thomas, Jordan	TE	6-5	277	22	2	Mississippi State	Sumrall, Miss.	D6b-'18
34	Tyson, Mike	S	6-2	200	25	2	Cincinnati	Norfolk, Va.	FA-'18
91	Watkins, Carlos	DE	6-3	297	25	3	Clemson	Mooreboro, N.C.	D4b-'17
4	Watson, Deshaun	QB	6-2	215	23	3	Clemson	Gainesville, Ga.	D1-'17
99	Watt, J.J.	DE	6-5	288	30	9	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wis.	D1-'11
86	Weah, Jester	WR	6-3	209	24	1	Pittsburgh	Madison, Wis.	CFA-'18
5	Webb III, Joe	QB	6-4	231	32	10	Alabama-Birmingham	Birmingham, Ala.	UFA-'18 (BUF)
46	Weeks, Jon	LS	5-10	242	33	10	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	FA-'10
19	Whitney, Isaac	WR	6-2	204	24	1	Southern California	Moore, Okla.	FA-'18



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Bill O'Brien	Head Coach
Romeo Crennel	Assistant Head Coach / Defensive Coordinator
Tim Kelly	Offensive Coordinator
Brad Seely	Special Teams Coordinator
John Aylward	Offensive Assistant
Danny Barrett	Running Backs
Brian Cushing	Assistant Strength & Conditioning
Akeem Dent	Defensive Assistant
Mike Devlin	Offensive Line
Joe Distor	Assistant Strength & Conditioning
Mike Eubanks	Head Strength & Conditioning
Jason George	Assistant Strength & Conditioning / Sports Science Coordinator
Andre Johnson	Special Advisor to the Head Coach and General Manager
Bobby King	Inside Linebackers
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D'Anton Lynn	Assistant Secondary
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John Pagano	Senior Defensive Assistant / Outside Linebackers
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Jordan Akins	A-kins
Johnson Bademosi	bad-uh-MOE-see
Brian Boddy-Calhoun	BREE-in BOD-ee
Jadeveon Clowney	juh-DEV-ee-on
Keke Coutee	Q-T
Julián Davenport	jew-lee-OWN
Duke Ejiofor	EDGE-eh-for
Ka'imi Fairbairn	kuh-EE-me FAIR-bairn
D'Onta Foreman	dee-ON-tay
Tashaun Gipson Sr.	tuh-SHAWN
DeAndre Hopkins	dee-ANDRE
Peter Kalambayi	cal-am-BYE-ee
Senio Kelemete	seh-NEEL kel-uh-MET-tay
D'Anton Lynn	DAN-tin
Whitney Mercilus	MER-sih-lus
Martinus Rankin	Mar-TEE-nus
Vyncint Smith	Vincent

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2	A.J. McCarron	QB	6-3	215	28	6	Alabama	Mobile, Ala.	FA-'19	
4	Deshawn Watson	QB	6-2	215	23	3	Clemson	Gainesville, Ga.	D1-'17	
5	Joe Webb III	QB	6-4	231	32	10	Alabama-Birmingham	Birmingham, Ala.	UFA-'18 (BUF)	
7	Ka'imi Fairbairn	K	6-0	183	25	4	UCLA	Kailua, Hawaii	CFA-'16	
8	Trevor Daniel	P	6-1	231	24	2	Tennessee	Dickson, Tenn.	CFA-'18	
10	DeAndre Hopkins	WR	6-1	212	26	7	Clemson	Central, S.C.	D1-'13	
11	Steven Mitchell Jr.	WR	5-10	186	24	1	Southern California	Pasadena, Calif.	FA-'18	
14	DeAndre Carter	WR	5-8	190	25	2	Sacramento State	San Jose, Calif.	W-'18 (PHI)	
15	Will Fuller V	WR	6-0	184	24	4	Notre Dame	Philadelphia, Pa.	D1-'16	
16	Keke Coutee	WR	5-11	187	22	2	Texas Tech	Lufkin, Texas	D4-'18	
17	Vyncint Smith	WR	6-3	202	22	2	Limestone	Columbia, S.C.	CFA-'18	
19	Isaac Whitney	WR	6-2	204	24	1	Southern California	Moore, Okla.	FA-'18	
20	Justin Reid	S	6-1	203	22	2	Stanford	Prairieville, La.	D3a-'18	
21	Bradley Roby	CB	5-11	194	26	6	Ohio State	Fort Worth, Texas	UFA-'19 (DEN)	
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27	D'Onta Foreman	RB	6-1	236	22	3	Texas	Texas City, Texas	D3-'17	
30	Brian Boddy-Calhoun	CB	5-9	193	26	4	Minnesota	Wilmington, Del.	FA-'19	
33	A.J. Moore	S	5-11	200	23	2	Mississippi	Bassfield, Miss.	W-'18 (NE)	
34	Mike Tyson	S	6-2	200	25	2	Cincinnati	Norfolk, Va.	FA-'18	
35	Jermaine Kelly Jr.	CB	6-1	204	24	2	San Jose State	Los Angeles, Calif.	D7-'18	
38	Buddy Howell	RB	6-1	218	23	2	Florida Atlantic	Coconut Grove, Fla.	W-'18 (MIA)	
39	Tashaun Gipson Sr.	S	5-11	212	28	8	Wyoming	Dallas, Texas	FA-'19	
40	Josh Ferguson	RB	5-10	205	25	3	Illinois	Naperville, Ill.	FA-'18	
41	Zach Cunningham	ILB	6-3	238	24	3	Vanderbilt	Pinson, Ala.	D2-'17	
42	Chris Landrum	OLB	6-2	245	26	4	Jacksonville State	Meridian, Miss.	FA-'18	
45	A.J. Hendy	S	6-0	206	25	1	Maryland	Bowie, Md.	FA-'18	
46	Jon Weeks	LS	5-10	242	33	10	Baylor	Bethpage, N.Y.	FA-'10	
48	Davin Bellamy	OLB	6-5	259	24	1	Georgia	Chamblee, Ga.	CFA-'18	
50	Tyrell Adams	ILB	6-2	230	26	4	West Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	FA-'18	
51	Dylan Cole	ILB	6-0	237	24	3	Missouri State	Springfield, Mo.	CFA-'17	
53	Duke Ejiyor	OLB	6-4	255	23	2	Wake Forest	Houston, Texas	D6a-'18	
55	Benardrick McKinney	ILB	6-4	257	26	5	Mississippi State	Tunica, Miss.	D2-'15	
57	Brennan Scarlett	OLB	6-4	263	25	4	Stanford	Portland, Ore.	CFA-'16	
58	Peter Kalambayi	ILB	6-3	254	23	2	Stanford	Matthews, N.C.	D6c-'18	
59	Whitney Mercilus	OLB	6-4	258	28	8	Illinois	Akron, Ohio	D1-'12	
61	Maurquice Shakir	G	6-4	326	25	2	Middle Tennessee St.	Los Angeles, Calif.	FA-'18	
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65	Greg Mancz	C/G	6-4	302	26	5	Toledo	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'15	
66	Nick Martin	C	6-4	295	25	4	Notre Dame	Indianapolis, Ind.	D2-'16	
70	Julián Davenport	T	6-7	325	24	3	Bucknell	Paulsboro, N.J.	D4a-'17	
72	Rick Leonard	T	6-7	311	22	1	Florida State	Middletown, Md.	FA-'18	
73	Zach Fulton	C/G	6-5	321	27	6	Tennessee	Homewood, Ill.	UFA-'18 (KC)	
75	Matt Kalil	T	6-7	315	29	8	Southern California	Corona, Calif.	FA-'19	
76	Seantrel Henderson	T	6-7	351	27	6	Miami (Fla.)	St. Paul, Minn.	UFA-'18 (BUF)	
77	Martinas Rankin	T	6-5	311	24	2	Mississippi State	Mendenhall, Miss.	D3b-'18	
79	David Steinmetz	T	6-8	321	24	1	Purdue	Grafton, Mass.	FA-'18	
83	Jordan Thomas	TE	6-5	277	22	2	Mississippi State	Sumrall, Miss.	D6b-'18	
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86	Jester Weah	WR	6-3	209	24	1	Pittsburgh	Madison, Wis.	CFA-'18	
87	Darren Fells	TE	6-7	270	32	6	California-Irvine	Fullerton, California	FA-'19	
88	Jordan Akins	TE	6-4	243	26	2	Central Florida	Locust Grove, Ga.	D3c-'18	
89	Jerell Adams	TE	6-5	254	26	3	South Carolina	Pinewood, S.C.	FA-'18	
90	Jadeveon Clowney	DE/OLB	6-5	255	26	6	South Carolina	Rock Hill, S.C.	D1-'14	
91	Carlos Watkins	DE	6-3	297	25	3	Clemson	Mooresboro, N.C.	D4b-'17	
92	Brandon Dunn	NT	6-2	310	26	4	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.	FA-'15	
93	Joel Heath	DE	6-6	302	25	4	Michigan State	Cincinnati, Ohio	CFA-'16	
97	Angelo Blackson	DE	6-4	319	26	5	Auburn	Bear, Del.	FA-'17	
98	D.J. Reader	DE/NT	6-3	347	24	4	Clemson	Greensboro, N.C.	D5b-'16	
99	J.J. Watt	DE	6-5	288	30	9	Wisconsin	Pewaukee, Wis.	D1-'11	



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Jadeveon Clowney	juh-DEV-ee-on
Keke Coutee	Q-T
Julián Davenport	juh-lee-OWN
Duke Ejiyor	EDGE-eh-for
Ka'imi Fairbairn	kuh-EE-me FAIR-bairn
D'Onta Foreman	dee-ON-tay
Tashaun Gipson Sr.	tuh-SHAWN
DeAndre Hopkins	dee-ANDRE
Peter Kalambayi	cal-am-BYE-ee
Senio Kelemete	seh-NEEL kel-uh-MET-tay
D'Anton Lynn	DAN-tin
Whitney Mercilus	MER-sih-lus
Martinas Rankin	Mar-TEE-nus
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NFL DRAFT ORDER

ROUND 1

Pick Overall	Team
1	1 Arizona Cardinals
2	2 San Francisco 49ers
3	3 New York Jets
4	4 Oakland Raiders
5	5 Tampa Bay Buccaneers
6	6 New York Giants
7	7 Jacksonville Jaguars
8	8 Detroit Lions
9	9 Buffalo Bills
10	10 Denver Broncos
11	11 Cincinnati Bengals
12	12 Green Bay Packers
13	13 Miami Dolphins
14	14 Atlanta Falcons
15	15 Washington Redskins
16	16 Carolina Panthers
17	17 New York Giants from Cleveland Browns
18	18 Minnesota Vikings
19	19 Tennessee Titans
20	20 Pittsburgh Steelers
21	21 Seattle Seahawks
22	22 Baltimore Ravens
23	23 Houston Texans
24	24 Oakland Raiders from Chicago Bears
25	25 Philadelphia Eagles
26	26 Indianapolis Colts
27	27 Oakland Raiders from Dallas Cowboys
28	28 Los Angeles Chargers
29	29 Kansas City Chiefs
30	30 Green Bay Packers from New Orleans Saints
31	31 Los Angeles Rams
32	32 New England Patriots

ROUND 2

Pick Overall	Team
1	33 Arizona Cardinals
2	34 Indianapolis Colts from New York Jets
3	35 Oakland Raiders
4	36 San Francisco 49ers
5	37 New York Giants
6	38 Jacksonville Jaguars
7	39 Tampa Bay Buccaneers
8	40 Buffalo Bills
9	41 Denver Broncos
10	42 Cincinnati Bengals
11	43 Detroit Lions
12	44 Green Bay Packers
13	45 Atlanta Falcons
14	46 Washington Redskins
15	47 Carolina Panthers
16	48 Miami Dolphins
17	49 Cleveland Browns
18	50 Minnesota Vikings
19	51 Tennessee Titans
20	52 Pittsburgh Steelers
21	53 Philadelphia Eagles from Baltimore Ravens
22	54 Houston Texans from Seattle Seahawks
23	55 Houston Texans
24	56 New England Patriots from Chicago Bears
25	57 Philadelphia Eagles
26	58 Dallas Cowboys
27	59 Indianapolis Colts
28	60 Los Angeles Chargers
29	61 Kansas City Chiefs
30	62 New Orleans Saints
31	63 Kansas City Chiefs from Los Angeles Rams
32	64 New England Patriots

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Pick Overall	Team
1	65 Arizona Cardinals
2	66 Pittsburgh Steelers from Oakland Raiders
3	67 San Francisco 49ers
4	68 New York Jets
5	69 Jacksonville Jaguars
6	70 Tampa Bay Buccaneers
7	<i>Choice Forfeited by New York Giants</i>
8	71 Denver Broncos
9	72 Cincinnati Bengals
10	73 New England Patriots from Detroit Lions
11	74 Buffalo Bills
12	75 Green Bay Packers
13	76 Washington Redskins
14	77 Carolina Panthers
15	78 Miami Dolphins
16	79 Atlanta Falcons
17	80 Cleveland Browns
18	81 Minnesota Vikings
19	82 Tennessee Titans
20	83 Pittsburgh Steelers
21	84 Seattle Seahawks
22	85 Baltimore Ravens
23	86 Houston Texans
24	87 Chicago Bears
25	88 Detroit Lions from Philadelphia Eagles
26	89 Indianapolis Colts
27	90 Dallas Cowboys
28	91 Los Angeles Chargers
29	92 Kansas City Chiefs
30	93 New York Jets from New Orleans Saints
31	94 Los Angeles Rams
32	95 New York Giants from New England Patriots through Cleveland Browns
33	96 Washington Redskins (Compensatory)
34	97 New England Patriots (Compensatory)
35	98 Jacksonville from Los Angeles Rams (Compensatory)
36	99 Los Angeles Rams (Compensatory)
37	100 Carolina Panthers (Compensatory)
38	101 New England Patriots (Compensatory)
39	102 Baltimore Ravens (Compensatory)

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Pick Overall	Team
1	103 Arizona Cardinals
2	104 San Francisco 49ers
3	105 New York Jets
4	106 Oakland Raiders
5	107 Tampa Bay Buccaneers
6	108 New York Giants
7	109 Jacksonville Jaguars
8	110 Cincinnati Bengals
9	111 Detroit Lions
10	112 Buffalo Bills
11	113 Baltimore Ravens from Denver Broncos
12	114 Green Bay Packers
13	115 Carolina Panthers
14	116 Miami Dolphins
15	117 Atlanta Falcons
16	118 Green Bay Packers from Washington Redskins
17	119 Cleveland Browns
18	120 Minnesota Vikings
19	121 Tennessee Titans
20	122 Pittsburgh Steelers
21	123 Baltimore Ravens
22	124 Seattle Seahawks
23	125 Denver Broncos from Houston Texans
24	126 Chicago Bears
25	127 Philadelphia Eagles
26	128 Dallas Cowboys
27	129 Indianapolis Colts
28	130 Los Angeles Chargers
29	131 Buffalo Bills from Kansas City Chiefs
30	132 New York Giants from New Orleans Saints
31	133 Los Angeles Rams
32	134 New England Patriots
33	135 Indianapolis Colts (Compensatory)
34	136 Dallas Cowboys (Compensatory)
35	137 Atlanta Falcons (Compensatory)
36	138 Philadelphia Eagles (Compensatory)

NFL DRAFT ORDER

ROUND 5

Pick	Overall	Team
1	139	Arizona Cardinals
2	140	Oakland Raiders from New York Jets
3	141	Pittsburgh Steelers from Oakland Raiders
4	142	New York Giants from San Francisco 49ers through Detroit Lions
5	143	New York Giants
6	144	Cleveland Browns from Jacksonville Jaguars
7	145	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
8	146	Detroit Lions
9	147	Buffalo Bills
10	148	Denver Broncos
11	149	Cincinnati Bengals
12	150	Green Bay Packers
13	151	Miami Dolphins
14	152	Atlanta Falcons
15	153	Washington Redskins
16	154	Carolina Panthers
17	155	Cleveland Browns
18	156	Denver Broncos from Minnesota Vikings
19	157	Tennessee Titans
20	158	Buffalo Bills from Pittsburgh Steelers through Oakland Raiders
21	159	Seattle Seahawks
22	160	Baltimore Ravens
23	161	Houston Texans
24	162	Chicago Bears
25	163	Philadelphia Eagles
26	164	Indianapolis Colts
27	165	Dallas Cowboys
28	166	Los Angeles Chargers
29	167	Kansas City Chiefs
30	168	New Orleans Saints
31	169	Los Angeles Rams
32	170	Cleveland Browns from New England Patriots
33	171	New York Giants (Compensatory)
34	172	Atlanta Falcons (Compensatory)
35	173	Washington Redskins (Compensatory)

ROUND 6

Pick	Overall	Team
1	174	Arizona Cardinals
2	175	Pittsburgh Steelers from Oakland Raiders
3	176	San Francisco 49ers
4	177	New Orleans Saints from New York Jets
5	178	Jacksonville Jaguars
6	179	Arizona Cardinals from Tampa Bay Buccaneers
7	180	New York Giants
8	181	Buffalo Bills
9	182	Denver Broncos
10	183	Cincinnati Bengals
11	184	Detroit Lions
12	185	Green Bay Packers
13	186	Atlanta Falcons
14		<i>Choice Forfeited by Washington Redskins</i>
15	187	Carolina Panthers
16	188	Tennessee Titans from Miami Dolphins
17	189	Cleveland Browns
18	190	Minnesota Vikings
19	191	Baltimore Ravens from Tennessee Titans
20	192	Pittsburgh Steelers
21	193	Baltimore Ravens
22	194	Green Bay Packers from Seattle Seahawks
23	195	Houston Texans
24	196	New York Jets from Chicago Bears through Oakland Raiders
25	197	Philadelphia Eagles
26	198	Cincinnati Bengals from Dallas Cowboys
27	199	Indianapolis Colts
28	200	Los Angeles Chargers
29	201	Kansas City Chiefs
30	202	New Orleans Saints
31	203	Los Angeles Rams
32	204	Detroit Lions from New England Patriots
33	205	New England Patriots (Compensatory)
34	206	Washington Redskins (Compensatory)
35	207	Pittsburgh Steelers from Arizona Cardinals (Compensatory)
36	208	Tampa Bay Buccaneers from Philadelphia Eagles (Compensatory)
37	209	Minnesota Vikings (Compensatory)
38	210	Cincinnati Bengals (Compensatory)
39	211	Cincinnati Bengals (Compensatory)
40	212	San Francisco 49ers (Compensatory)
41	213	Cincinnati Bengals (Compensatory)
42	214	Kansas City Chiefs (Compensatory)

NFL DRAFT ORDER

ROUND 7

Pick Overall	Team
1	215 Tampa Bay Buccaneers from Arizona Cardinals
2	216 Kansas City Chiefs from San Francisco 49ers
3	217 New York Jets
4	218 Oakland Raiders
5	219 Pittsburgh Steelers from Tampa Bay Buccaneers
6	220 Houston Texans from New York Giants through Denver Broncos
7	221 Cleveland Browns from Jacksonville Jaguars
8	222 Chicago Bears from Denver Broncos through Philadelphia Eagles
9	223 Cincinnati Bengals
10	224 Detroit Lions
11	225 Buffalo Bills
12	226 Green Bay Packers
13	227 Washington Redskins
14	228 Buffalo Bills from Carolina Panthers
15	229 Detroit Lions from Miami Dolphins
16	230 Atlanta Falcons
17	231 New Orleans Saints from Cleveland Browns
18	232 New York Giants from Minnesota Vikings
19	233 Miami Dolphins from Tennessee Titans
20	234 Miami Dolphins from Pittsburgh Steelers through Cleveland Browns
21	235 Oakland Raiders from Seattle Seahawks
22	236 Jacksonville Jaguars from Baltimore Ravens
23	237 Denver Broncos from Houston Texans
24	238 Chicago Bears
25	239 New England Patriots from Philadelphia Eagles
26	240 Indianapolis Colts
27	241 Dallas Cowboys
28	242 Los Angeles Chargers
29	243 New England Patriots from Kansas City Chiefs through San Francisco 49ers & Cleveland Browns
30	244 New Orleans Saints
31	245 New York Giants from Los Angeles Rams
32	246 New England Patriots
33	247 Minnesota Vikings (Compensatory)
34	248 Arizona Cardinals (Compensatory)
35	249 Arizona Cardinals (Compensatory)
36	250 Minnesota Vikings (Compensatory)
37	251 Los Angeles Rams (Compensatory)
38	252 New England Patriots (Compensatory)
39	253 Washington Redskins (Compensatory)
40	254 Arizona Cardinals (Compensatory)



The Texans drafted DE/NT D.J. Reader in the fifth round (166th overall) of the 2016 NFL Draft. Reader has played in 46 games (37 starts) and compiled 102 total tackles (53 solo), 4.0 sacks, 11 quarterback hits, 10 tackles for loss and one pass defended. Reader has also started three postseason games and recorded 1.0 sack in a Wild Card game against Oakland on Jan. 7, 2017.



Opening Statement

“First I’d like to start out by just thanking some groups of people here. It’s an exciting time to be in player personnel and scouting and to be involved in the football operation here. But just a lot of people to thank behind the scenes – the scouts, obviously. They’ve been out there on the road since August, grinding away, sacrificing, countless hours and days spent on the road away from their families. The coaching staff, pairing with them here from January here all the way through April, the time spent on the evaluations. They were out on the road for us as well. The trainers and the docs (doctors), their commitment to providing us the medical evaluations, and just the support staff. There’s a ton of people behind the scenes who really help us arrive here to this point in time. So, just a lot of gratitude and appreciation to the staff to be here at this moment right now. We’re very excited in terms of our scouting operation, our player personnel operation, the coaching staff. We have four picks here in the top 86, so we get four selections here in the top three rounds. We’re going to get four very good players. As it relates to that, we have seven picks overall. We’re certainly excited about that. Ready to go to work. We’ll let the board speak for itself and let the board talk to us.”

Can you describe, in general, some areas of need for this team?

“As it relates to philosophy, I would say from our standpoint we’re always going to do what we can to improve the team at any position. We’re focused more – not so much on need in the draft process, but we’re focused on the actual process. Get the board right, rank it correctly and really let the board speak for itself. Our focus is more about our preparation and the process of how we arrive to those decisions. So, those conversations have already happened and are still happening to this date as it relates to how the board will be finished, but the board will speak for itself and the board will speak to us about the next best player to pick. If it happens to be a position of need or perceived need and it happens to be the next best player on the board, those are the best selections, obviously, when it meets both of those. We want to make sure that the board speaks to us as it relates to whoever we pick when we’re on the clock.”

Do you feel good about some of the moves you made in free agency to where you can now take the best players available throughout the draft?

“Correct. We were able to address some situations in free agency, and free agency’s certainly more of a needs-driven environment. We felt like we were able to add some pieces to the puzzle here to help us come into this draft and to be in position to take the next best player. So, we’re pleased with some of the things we did in free agency and now we’re positioned here in the draft, I think, to go back to this, to get four players in the top 86. We hope, at some point in time, all four of those players would be starters or eventual starters if you’re drafting them in the first three rounds. So, we have an opportunity here and we have every intention of getting it right, to potentially get four new starters in seven days’ time.”

How do you view the tackle class in this draft?

“I think there’s varying portions in this draft at tackle where you could get a starting-caliber player, both in day one or day two. I think there’s some contributing-level players there in the mid rounds where they could be versatile swing players for you. There’s some players at various portions in this draft at tackle where you see some flexibility to go play guard. So, when you’re thinking about managing your gameday roster there’s seven players who dress. Some of those mid-round tackles have the ability, we think, maybe, to be possible tackle-guard types. So, you save a spot as it related to special teams. I think there’s some varying points, obviously first round, day two, and then there’s portions in day three, the early portion of day three, where you can get some of those versatile swing guys when you’re dressing only seven for a gameday.”

What do you think of the cornerback class?

“I think there’s varying portions in this draft where – look, is there a Patrick Peterson, like an elite corner in this draft? Maybe, maybe not, OK? But what I would say is there’s starting-caliber players in this draft, both in day one and day two. Day two inclusive of the second and third round. You might be able even to extend that to day [three], the early portion of day [three]. So, I think there is a lot of volume. There’s guys that have outside skillsets, there’s guys who have inside skillsets and there’s a few players in this draft, I think, that offer the versatility to be either/or. You’ve heard me say this before – we’re going to try to acquire as much versatility as we can. The best players who are also the most versatile to help save some of those roster spots when you’re only dressing 46.”

Can you address your philosophy of trading up in the draft versus trading back?

“I think every situation is different. When it comes to supply and demand, there’s certainly a player that’s falling down the draft board, we evaluate every transaction that occurs. I think if there’s value on the board and that player is dropping and you had a high value on him and a high grade and you trust your process and that player’s starting to slide down the board, perhaps that’s worth a conversation, maybe if you had to go up and get him. I think conservatively speaking, I would always lend more toward accumulating more picks – more at-bats, more volume, more opportunities to take more players.”

Do you feel like the second round is a pretty strong part of this draft?

"The second round has a lot of great value, I think, this year. I think there's great value from where we're picking from 23 all the way down to where we're picking at 54. If we sat still and didn't do anything at 54 and 55, we're going to get two very good players just based on our counts when we look at the top 60 players in this draft. I'm excited about the idea of getting at least three of those players if we just stood still, and I think we're going to get two very good players at 54 and 55 if we just sat there and took those players."

What are the things you value in evaluating cornerbacks?

"First and foremost, obviously system fit, scheme fit. How do they fit to what we're going to ask our cornerbacks to do? Man coverage versus zone coverage? The importance of height, weight, speed at the position. We certainly have prototypical parameters that we have for every position and we have those individually for corner as well. So, we evaluate their skillset in man coverage, evaluate their skillset in zone coverage, their ability to run support, their versatility to play outside or inside, can they play off, can they play press or can they do one or the other. When we get them we try to make sure we play to their strengths. That's critically important. But if you're not in the top three – meaning if you're not a starting corner, if you're not the second corner, you're not the third guy, playing situational football, what special teams value do you have on fourth down? That's their ticket to ride if they're going to the game when you're dressing 46. Any of the skill or big skill positions, if you're not going to be in the starting lineup or be in the contributing role, then what value do you bring on fourth down? When it comes to fourth down, we're looking for speed, range, athleticism, the ability to cover ground, the ability to make tackles in space. There's a lot that goes into it. That's a very good question because, No. 1, it has to be a system, fit, No. 2, we're looking for certain parameters in height, weight, speed. No. 3, starter versus situational, and No. 4, what do they do for you on fourth down?"

How do you value the balance between the versatility of a player as opposed to a player mastering one position?

"That's a very good question because even if they're the fourth corner, just staying on corner, they're an injury away from having to go play in the game. We want to have our cake and eat it too. You want that player to be an upside player who has a chance to go in and play in the game, when and if you need him, but also provide us the value on fourth down if they're not going to be playing in those roles. We only get seven selections, and I like to think that we can find seven players in the draft process who would fit all of that criteria for us."

What have you seen from players like RB D'Onta Foreman now that they are back in the building?

"Just using D'Onta in this example, he's come back in good shape. He had an unfortunate situation. Very difficult injury to return from as it relates to the running back position, so we're pleased with his progress. It looks like he has put in the time and the commitment to be ready to go when we got here, got back here for the first day of the offseason program. I've been pleased with what I've seen, but there's a lot of football left to be played, there's a lot of offseason left to complete, but so far so good in terms of getting off on the right foot."



How much does the synergy between Head Coach Bill O'Brien and you help with the pre-draft process?

"It's critically important to have that with the head coach in terms of how we want to build the football program. No. 1, how we want to build out football, football philosophy, football systems, but when it comes to player personnel in this process as it relates to the draft, just being able to see players through the same prism of eyes, through the same prism of glasses that you wear. Look, there are going to be times and places where he may see something that I don't or I may see something that he doesn't, but we (converse) and develop those conversations on a daily basis. We meet on a daily basis here as we're getting to the final stages of our pre-draft process, but I would just say that there's just a whole lot of common ground with how Coach O'Brien and I see players and then how they fit into our system and how they fit into our program. There's a degree of trust that we both understand what types of players and what kinds of guys that we're looking for for our program."

Are you still hopeful you will get a long-term deal done with DE/OLB Jadeveon Clowney?

"Yes. That's the spirit of the franchise tag. There's a reason why we did that – with every hope and intention of continuing to work on that. That's a negotiation. It's a process. It has to be a deal that makes sense for both sides – for the player, for the organization as it relates to short-term and long-term. So, that's still the plan."

What do you think of the undrafted free agency process and what's your pitch to undrafted free agents to come to Houston?

"I love the undrafted free agent process. I was one of them. We call it the eighth round. We extend the draft. You only get seven selections now. In the old days, it went on for rounds and rounds. A lot of these players end up making teams or they are put in a very good position to go compete and make a team. We have a very unique circumstance here where we can advertise and sell to a lot of undrafted free agents and point to examples of players that we've signed that have made our team as undrafted free agents and played contributing roles. There's a lot of examples of that. We spend a lot of time and energy on that process and how we prepare for it so that if and when these players go undrafted, we're able to execute those moves and those acquisitions that are readily available to us as soon as the draft is over. We spend a lot of time in the two or three months prior to that – I would even go back to the month of December – where we're strategizing and ranking and prioritizing the players that we might see who could get to the priority free agent market, so that we're ready to go when that time comes and we know exactly who the priority players are."



What did you like about S Tashaun Gipson Sr.?

"Tashaun Gipson's a veteran player who has played in this division. We played him twice a year. He offers the height, weight, speed we like at the position. His versatility when you watch the tape, he has the versatility to play zone, but also man coverage. He's played a lot of man coverage versus tight ends. That's an area and strength that we wanted to improve at at the position. We also think his skillset complements Justin Reid very well if those two guys are going to be our starters. He's been a durable player. He's been an available player. He's been a productive guy. There's a lot of things you can do with him. You can play him from depth. You can play him from down in the box. He's active in run support. He's just a steady, dependable, productive player."

Did S Andre Hal's retirement change the way you approach free agency or the draft?

"Just to speak about Andre Hal – I haven't had a chance to address this publicly. I've told this to Andre on a personal and professional level. Andre Hal was an inspiration to a lot of people based on what he overcame and how he came back to play pro football. No. 2, Andre Hal is a great story. He was a seventh-round draft pick who played corner who we moved to safety and became an NFL starter. They should write a book about that. It's unbelievable what he's been able to accomplish in such a short period here in the NFL. Losing Andre hurts your depth a little bit, but we have some young players here that are going to be given a great opportunity to come in and compete for spots at safety – No. 3 and 4. Right now, going into the season we think (Tashaun) Gipson and Justin Reid will be our starters, but we're always trying to look to improve our depth. So, we'll toward the draft here to see if there are any possibilities to do that. We'll continue to evaluate what we have. If we feel like we have to do something to address that situation down the road via veteran free agency, I think that would be more of a post-draft discussion than a now discussion."

What does it say about S Andre Hal that he wanted to inform you of his decision to retire so that position could potentially be addressed prior to the NFL Draft?

"I think it speaks for itself. That speaks to the character of the individual. I think that speaks for itself that his thought process thought that way. Andre Hal is going to be successful at whatever thing he turns to in the rest of his life. I'm just curious what that's going to be because he's going to succeed."

How do you measure draft-eligible players on the timetable for when they can become starters for an NFL team?

"First and foremost, I have a lot of trust in our player development process. In terms of getting a player for now, here's what he is year one. He's where he projects to be maybe year two. This is what he can grow to in year three. Maybe here's his ceiling if everything goes right. We have the apparatus in place, and I firmly believe that, from our strength and conditioning operation to how our coaches coach and how they develop (players) in the classroom, our player development entity, what we do in the café and the resources that are here for our players to develop and ascend. We feel like the apparatus is in place, No. 1. No. 2, there's an emphasis on football and personal character when it comes to a player reaching his ceiling. If they have all of the physical traits, I'm going to bet on the fact that if they have the right personal and football character, those two meshing with the physical qualities will allow them to reach their ceiling. The other portion of that is – just from our grading system – if you're taking a guy in the first round, you're anticipating them being an impactful starter or being a starter. Taking a guy in the second round, you're hoping he's going to start pretty quickly, but at least be an eventual starter. If you're taking a guy in the third round, I think you're hoping that he's at least going to be a contributing player early on, depending on what his position is. He might have longer-range potential to start. In my mind, I'm thinking if I'm taking these players at least in the first three rounds, at some point we should be acquiring potential starters. Obviously, the earlier more emphasis, the latter being eventually at that stage. That's kind of how we think through those things."

Do you have an idea of where WR Will Fuller V is in his recovery?

"Everything's going well with Will. I won't speak to specifics, but I anticipate when we kick off versus New Orleans, he'll be ready to go. He'll be at full speed by then. I'm sure through the preseason, we'll be smart and efficient with him as it relates to getting him right. Everything has gone well. There's been no setbacks, been very positive. Everything's trending in the right direction. He's been here the whole offseason. He's looking good – mind, spirit, body – everything's going well for Will and we're excited about seeing him get back on the field."

Was there anything that jumped out to you about the schedule?

"The schedule is what it is. Obviously, there are a lot of challenges. There's 16 challenges on there. Opening up on the road on Monday night versus New Orleans is going to be a big football game. What comes to mind with me, and you heard me say it last year, it's singular purpose. It's one week at a time. I think it's part of the reason why we won 11 games last year under our circumstances. We just stayed in the moment, one game at a time, just chip away, chip away and you're just thinking about that team. Whoever's on our schedule is on our schedule. They're paid professionals just like we are. We're going to go out and try to win those games just like they are. A lot of good competition on that schedule. It's hard to win in the league. We're going to put in a lot of time and preparation in the offseason to start getting ready for those games. It's exciting though when you do see the schedule. You finally have the plan in place and the blueprints in place. There are no hypotheticals, there's no guessing, so I'm excited about the season to come."



DE J.J. Watt said he wants to continue play for a long time. What does it mean to have someone like Watt to be able continue to build around?

“There’s a lot of value with that. First of all, J.J. is a great player. No. 2, J.J.’s a leader. Just having his leadership here and his production, obviously the production certainly matters as well, but having a guy that feels invested in the program here, he’s laid a lot of groundwork here. I’m sure he wants to win a Super Bowl and win championships before he ever exits the game. We all want that, but it’s certainly good to hear that that’s his pursuits because we need his leadership, we need his production, we need his participation. Having a great guy in the locker room, an example to follow for our younger players, there’s certainly intangible value to that.”

What did you learn going through the draft process for the first time as a General Manager last year?

“What I learned is it’s hard to wait for two rounds until you can pick a player in the third round. You do a lot of watching. But, what I learned is a lot about the process. Just having a full calendar season to start this process. What I mean by that is really going back to last June when you get your draft list. You start basically in June. You build out your process of how you’re going to calendar out in terms of how we’re going to do all of these school visits, where the prospects are. You’re doing it all through the summer months. Then our scouts all depart in the month of August hitting the two-a-day practices, putting the plan together through the fall about where we’re going – the A-schools, the B-schools, the C-schools, the A-, B-, C-prospects – going through the season. Then doing this all with the guys and with the staff for a full calendar year was very enjoyable, and it’s nice just to see the plan come to fruition here where we’re at at the finish line to have that one full year with the staff.”

Is there a particular scouting plan you’ve pulled from from your prior experience to create your plan in Houston?

“Yeah, I would say in all of my experiences I have been very fortunate and lucky to have been around some great, great football minds and great football people. I say that with great humility. I have learned something from each one of them to make it ours, to make it our own, blend it with Coach O’Brien’s and it’s very seamless, smooth transition for the two of us to do that. I got hired in the league by a gentleman by the name of Dick Haley, and Dick Haley hired me at the New York Jets in 1999. He was one of the scouting directors for the famed Steelers 1970 dynasty years. The foundation that I learned about scouting and player personnel, I would be remiss if I didn’t mention him as somebody who has been very influential in my career.”

What kind of players are you looking for in the draft to fill out your secondary?

“First and foremost, there’s requisite height, weight, speed we are looking for at the safety position and corner position and equally the nickel position. In an ideal situation, we would love to have interchangeable skillsets at safety where they could play strong and free, free and strong. The more versatility they have to come and play in the slot, play man coverage and play nickel, that’s great. At corner, we are looking for a certain requisite, height, weight, speed as well. But, can you play off, can you play man, can you play zone? We like corners who have instincts. We like guys that have recovery speed. We like guys who can make plays on the ball to get off the field on third down. We like guys who can run support. We are looking for everything. I’m really not looking for any limitations. I’d like to think if I’m getting seven chances to take players, that out of those seven opportunities and the 15,000 evaluations that we have done, we can find seven players that fit all of those criteria.”

With your criteria of height, weight and speed, have you seen successful players that have that criteria?

“First and foremost, we want good football players. We always want to find the best football players that we can find. The second thing is we want good people. We want good guys with good character and good personal and football character who love playing football, who embrace the process. But, the other portion of that is that we are looking for requisite height, weight, speed at specific positions because that’s who they are playing against every Sunday. They are playing against somebody who has perhaps similar skillset across from them. These are the best of the best, the best of the best have the highest height, the highest weight and the highest speed. The game boils down very often to matchup football. We never want to be deficient in terms of being in certain matchups that we can’t handle because we don’t have the requisite height, weight and speed. It really boils down to matchups.”

Where do you see T Matt Kalil filling out your roster?

“We signed and brought Matt here on a one-year deal to a compete for a starting role. I said this when we first got Matt. He was a documented four-year starter at tackle at two different organizations. Had some bad luck in ’16 with some injuries, but he rebounded and played a full 16-game season in the 2017 season plus the playoff game versus the Saints, and unfortunately he had his knee issue this past year. We are hoping that if Matt returns to form, that we have a potential starting-caliber player here in the building. It’s a one-year deal. It’s an opportunity for him to prove it. It’s an opportunity for us to evaluate it. He’s going to compete to start here with Julián Davenport. The best player will get the job.”