



## NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION

# FOOTBALL BY THE NUMBERS

### **NATIONAL FOOTBALL FOUNDATION (EST. 1947)**

**120** Chapters in **47** States Representing Over **6,000** High Schools and **600,000(+)** Players *(est. 1957)*

**65th** NFF Annual Awards Dinner Presented by Las Vegas on December 5, 2023

### **HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL**

**15,800\*** High Schools in the U.S. that Sponsor Football *(as of 2021-22 Season, National Federation of State High School Associations)*

**1.04 Million\*** High School Football Players in the U.S. *(as of 2021-22 Season, National Federation of State High School Associations)*

**7.8 Percent** of High School Football Players will Play in College

**2,584** High Schools in the U.S. Sponsor Girls Tackle Football *(as of 2021-22 Season, National Federation of State High School Associations)*

*\*Note: These numbers do not include private and/or parochial high schools that do not report to the state high school associations*

### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL (EST. 1869)**

**773** Colleges & Universities Playing Football at All Levels (FBS, FCS, Div. II, Div. III, NAIA and more)

**81,000(+)** College Football Players in NCAA & NAIA

**89** Colleges & Universities Added Football Programs from 2008-22

**16** Colleges & Universities Will Add Football Programs in 2023 and Beyond

**17** Colleges & Universities Offering Sprint Football

**19** Colleges & Universities Offering Women's Flag Football as a Varsity Sport

**123** Junior Colleges Offering Football

**0.41** Percent of College Football Players Made NFL Opening Week Rosters in 2022

### **NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE (est. 1920)**

**32** NFL Teams

**2,016** Players on NFL Rosters

**297** Rookies Made NFL Opening Week Rosters in 2022 *(NFL)*

**259** College Football Players Were Drafted in 2023

**672** College Football Players Signed as Undrafted Free Agents or Received Training Camp Invitations in 2023

**3.3** Years is an Average NFL Player's Career *(Statista)*

### **COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY GRADUATION RATES**

**82%** Graduation Success Rate of Football Bowl Subdivision Football Student-Athletes *(NCAA)*

**70%** Graduation Rate of General Student Body at Division I Institutions *(NCAA)*

**3,113** Student-Athletes on 2022 College Football Rosters Had Already Earned Their Undergraduate Degrees

**5,863** Football Student-Athletes have Returned to School to Earn Their Degrees since 2003—the most among all NCAA Division I sports *(NCAA)*

### **NFF COLLEGE FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME (EST. 1951)**

**5.62** Million College Football Players All-Time *(est. 1869)*

**1,074** Players and 230 Coaches inducted into the College Football Hall of Fame All-Time

**Less Than Two One-Hundredths of a Percent (.02%)** of All-Time Players Have Earned Induction into the College Football Hall of Fame

**22** Coaches and Players from 25 schools representing 6 different decades to be inducted into College Football Hall of Fame Class on December 5, 2023

### **NFF SCHOLAR-ATHLETE PROGRAMS & INITIATIVES**

**33** William V. Campbell Trophy® Recipients Recognized as College Football's Top Scholar-Athlete *(est. 1990)*

**906** College Football Players from 273 Schools Honored as NFF National Scholar-Athletes All-Time *(est. 1959)*

**16,389** College Football Players All-Time Named to the NFF Hampshire Honor Society *(est. 2007)*

**10** Years of Honoring Faculty Athletic Representatives Through NFF Faculty Salutes

**81** High School Football Scholar-Athletes Recognized by NFF Team of Distinction

**34** State High School Coaches Association Partnered on the NFF National High School Academic Excellence Awards

**2** Recipients of the NFF Hatchell Cup, Presented to the Nation's Top All Around High School Football Program