

Rebound After Slow Starts (2025–26)

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Executive Summary

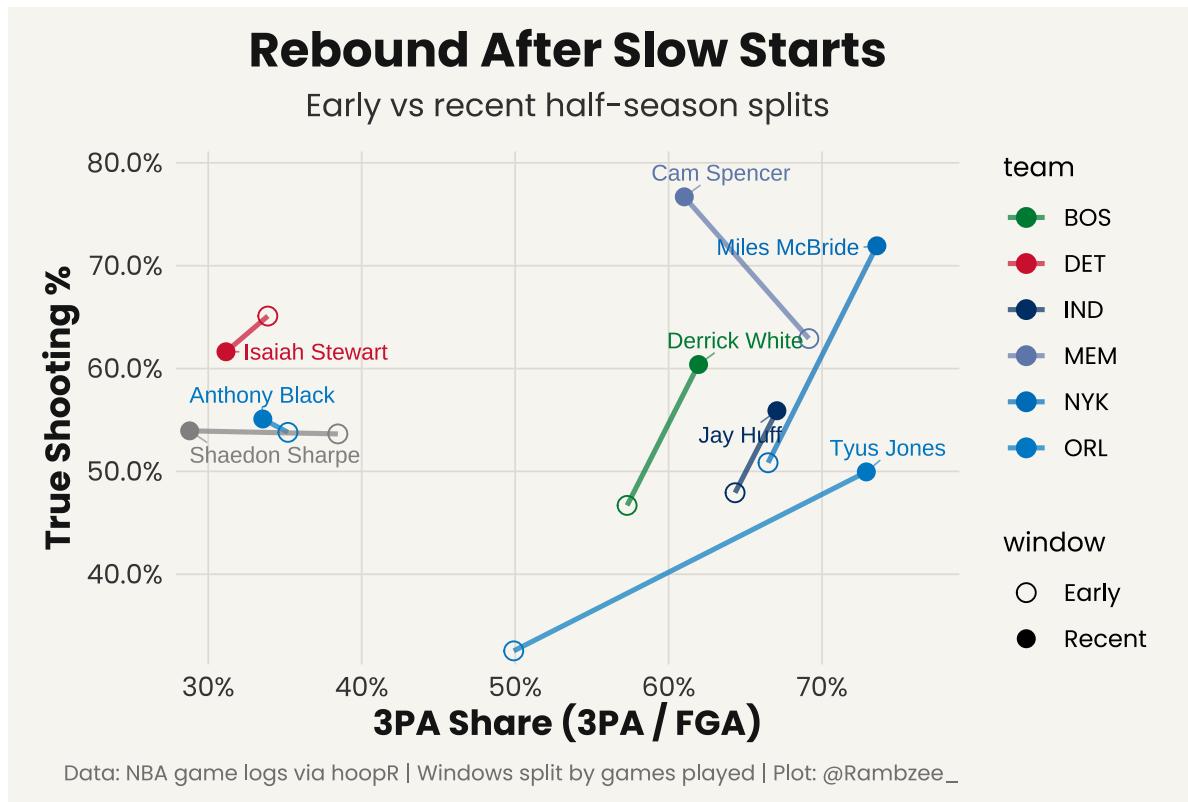
This report flags players who improved after poor early-season results by comparing their first $n/2$ games to the most recent $n/2$ games. For each player, we diagnose whether the rebound is more consistent with (1) role/usage change, (2) shot diet change, or (3) shot-making regression.

Data

Methods

- Windows: player-specific first half of games vs second half of games.
- Core outcomes: PPG, TS%, MPG, FGA/G.
- Diagnostics: 3PA share, FT rate, turnovers, and shot-zone FG% splits.

Helper functions



Summary Tables

Table 1: Core rebound signals (first half vs second half of games played)

Player	GP (E→R)	MPG (E→R)	PPG Δ	AST/G Δ	REB/G Δ	TS% Δ	FGA/G Δ
Anthony Black	18→18	27.2→33	+8	+2.1	+2.2	+1.3%	+6.4
Derrick White	16→17	32.9→34.6	+6.5	0	+1	+13.7%	+1.1
Miles McBride	12→12	24.1→29.7	+4.7	-0.1	+0.2	+21.1%	+0.2
Cam Spencer	17→17	19.6→27	+4.6	+3.2	+0.5	+13.8%	+2
Tyus Jones	18→18	13.3→19.4	+3.2	+1.2	+0.4	+17.4%	+1.5
Jay Huff	18→18	16.7→22.1	+1.9	+0.8	+1.2	+8.0%	+0.9
Shaedon Sharpe	16→16	27.8→31.2	+0.9	+0.8	-0.7	+0.3%	+1.2
Isaiah Stewart	16→16	22→24.3	-0.6	-0.3	-1.2	-3.5%	-0.4

Table 2: Shot diet / role proxies (first half vs second half)

Player	3PA Share (E→R)	3PA Share Δ	FT Rate (E→R)	FT Rate Δ	TOV/G (E→R)	TOV/G Δ
Anthony Black	35%→34%	-2%	37%→34%	-3%	2→2.5	+0.5
Derrick White	57%→62%	+5%	18%→23%	+5%	1.38→2.41	+1.04
Miles McBride	66%→74%	+7%	10%→23%	+13%	0.75→0.75	0
Cam Spencer	69%→61%	-8%	31%→28%	-3%	0.82→2.12	+1.29
Tyus Jones	50%→73%	+23%	0%→10%	+10%	0.33→0.28	-0.06
Jay Huff	64%→67%	+3%	20%→22%	+2%	0.72→0.89	+0.17
Shaedon Sharpe	38%→29%	-10%	30%→21%	-10%	2.81→3.38	+0.56
Isaiah Stewart	34%→31%	-3%	31%→29%	-2%	1.25→1.38	+0.12

How to interpret the diagnostics

- If 3PA share and FT rate are stable but TS% jumps: likely shot-making regression.
- If 3PA share rises: role shifted toward spacing or catch-and-shoot.
- If FT rate rises: more rim pressure or more physical usage.
- If TOV/G rises with production: more on-ball responsibility.

Player pages

Cam Spencer

Across the second half of games played, Cam Spencer increased production by +4.6 PPG with TS% up +13.8%. Minutes changed by +7.4 MPG and shot volume changed by +2 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Rim (+17%) and Above-the-break 3 (+16%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	17	19.6	9.5	3.3	2.1	62.9%	6.9	69%	31%	0.82
Recent	17	27.0	14.1	6.5	2.6	76.7%	8.9	61%	28%	2.12

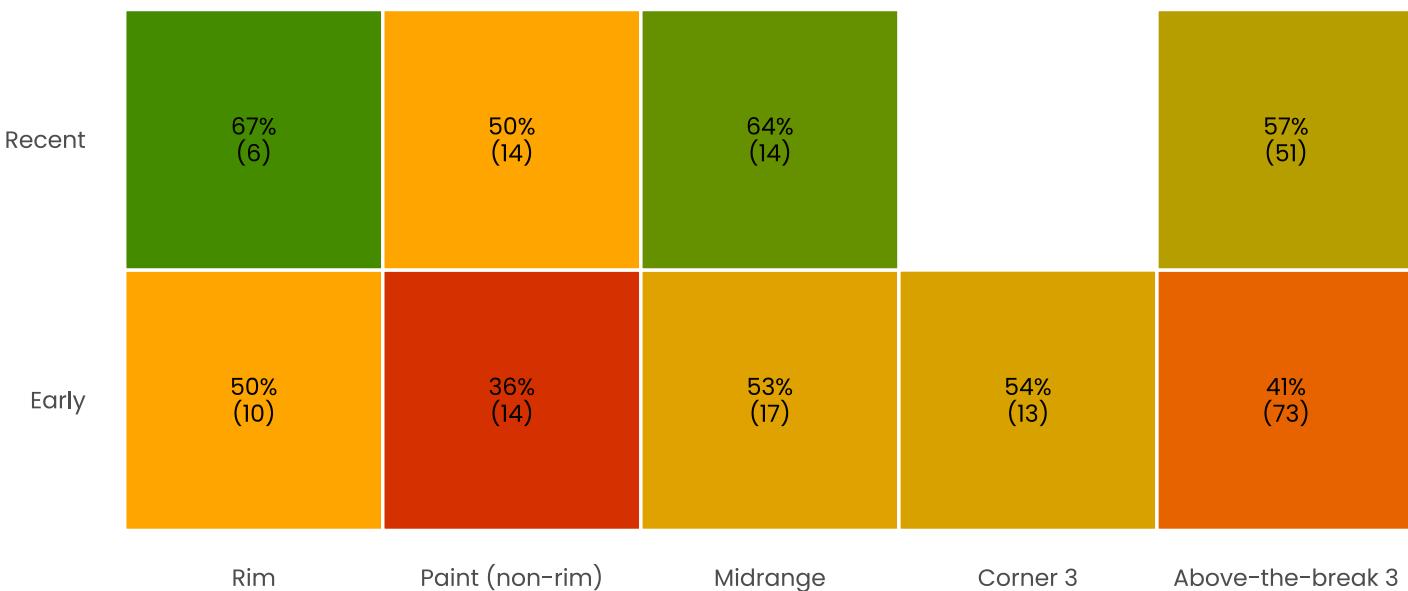
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+4.6	+3.2	+0.5	+13.8%	+7.4	+2	-8%	-3%	+1.29

Shot zone efficiency

Cam Spencer shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Miles McBride

Across the second half of games played, Miles McBride increased production by +4.7 PPG with TS% up +21.1%. Minutes changed by +5.6 MPG and shot volume changed by +0.2 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Above-the-break 3 (+26%) and Corner 3 (+12%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	12	24.1	10.1	2.4	2.5	50.8%	9.2	66%	10%	0.75
Recent	12	29.7	14.8	2.3	2.8	71.9%	9.4	74%	23%	0.75

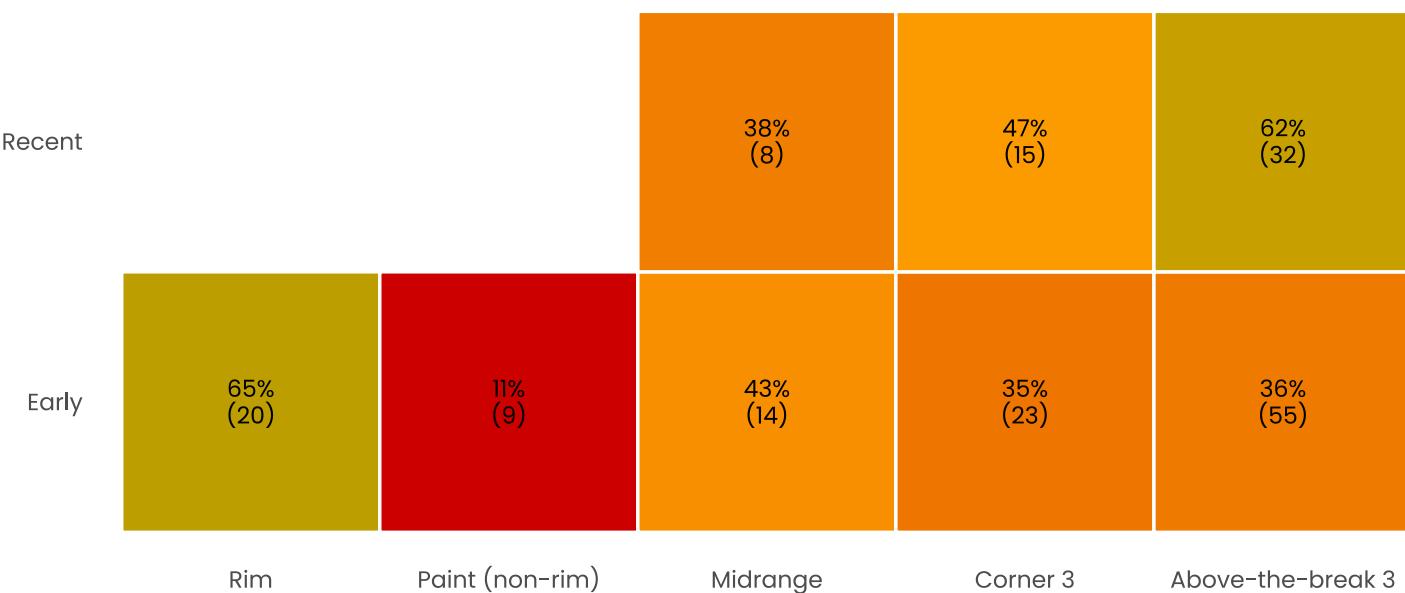
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d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d	d
+4.7	-0.1	+0.2	+21.1%	+5.6	+0.2	+7%	+13%	0

Shot zone efficiency

Miles McBride shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Derrick White

Across the second half of games played, Derrick White increased production by +6.5 PPG with TS% up +13.7%. Minutes changed by +1.8 MPG and shot volume changed by +1.1 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Midrange (+21%) and Rim (+16%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	16	32.9	15.3	5.2	3.8	46.7%	15.2	57%	18%	1.38
Recent	17	34.6	21.8	5.3	4.8	60.4%	16.4	62%	23%	2.41

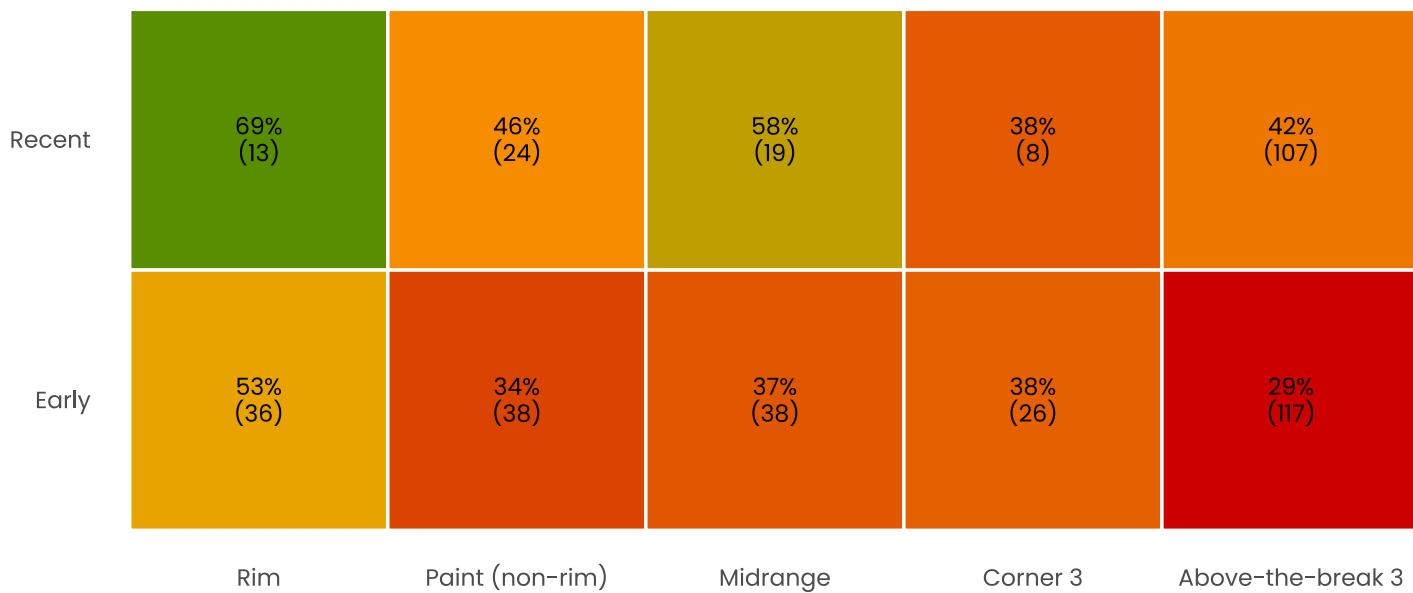
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+6.5	0	+1	+13.7%	+1.8	+1.1	+5%	+5%	+1.04

Shot zone efficiency

Derrick White shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Tyus Jones

Across the second half of games played, Tyus Jones increased production by +3.2 PPG with TS% up +17.4%. Minutes changed by +6.1 MPG and shot volume changed by +1.5 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Paint (non-rim) (+27%) and Above-the-break 3 (+25%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	18	13.3	1.7	1.8	0.9	32.6%	2.6	50%	0%	0.33
Recent	18	19.4	4.9	3.0	1.3	50.0%	4.1	73%	10%	0.28

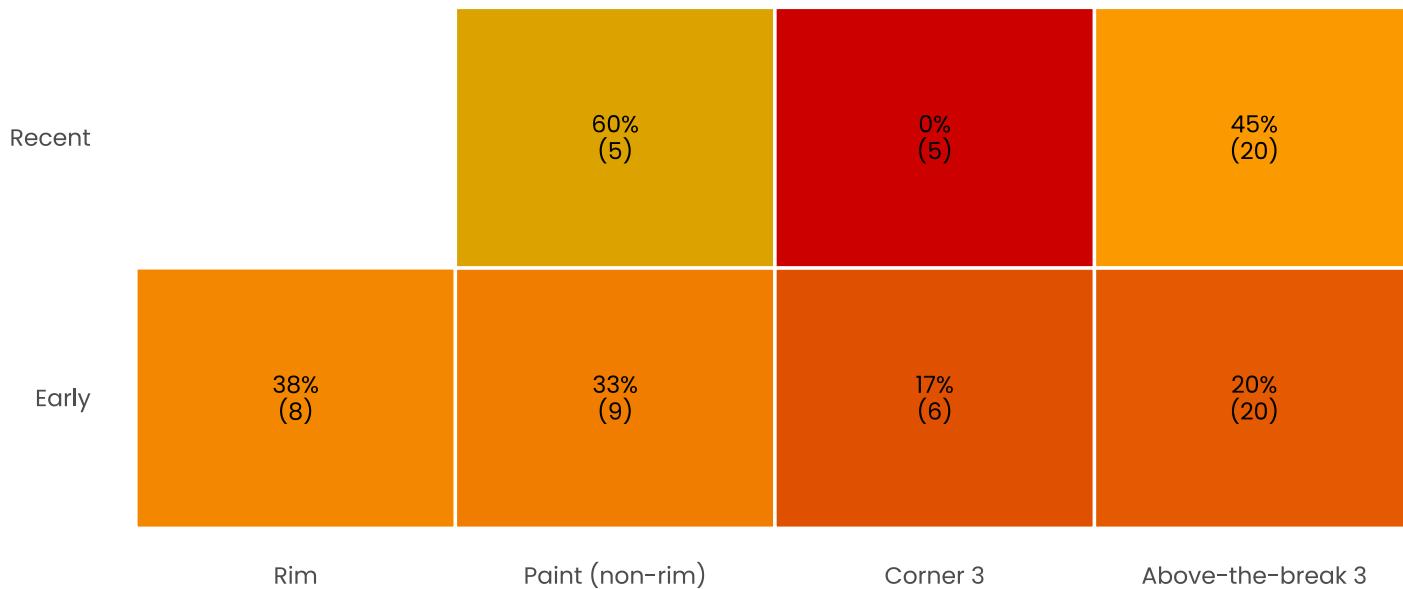
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+3.2	+1.2	+0.4	+17.4%	+6.1	+1.5	+23%	+10%	-0.06

Shot zone efficiency

Tyus Jones shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Isaiah Stewart

Across the second half of games played, Isaiah Stewart increased production by -0.6 PPG with TS% up -3.5%. Minutes changed by +2.3 MPG and shot volume changed by -0.4 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Corner 3 (+14%) and Above-the-break 3 (-14%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	16	22.0	10.2	1.3	6.2	65.1%	7.4	34%	31%	1.25
Recent	16	24.3	9.6	1.0	5.0	61.6%	7.0	31%	29%	1.38

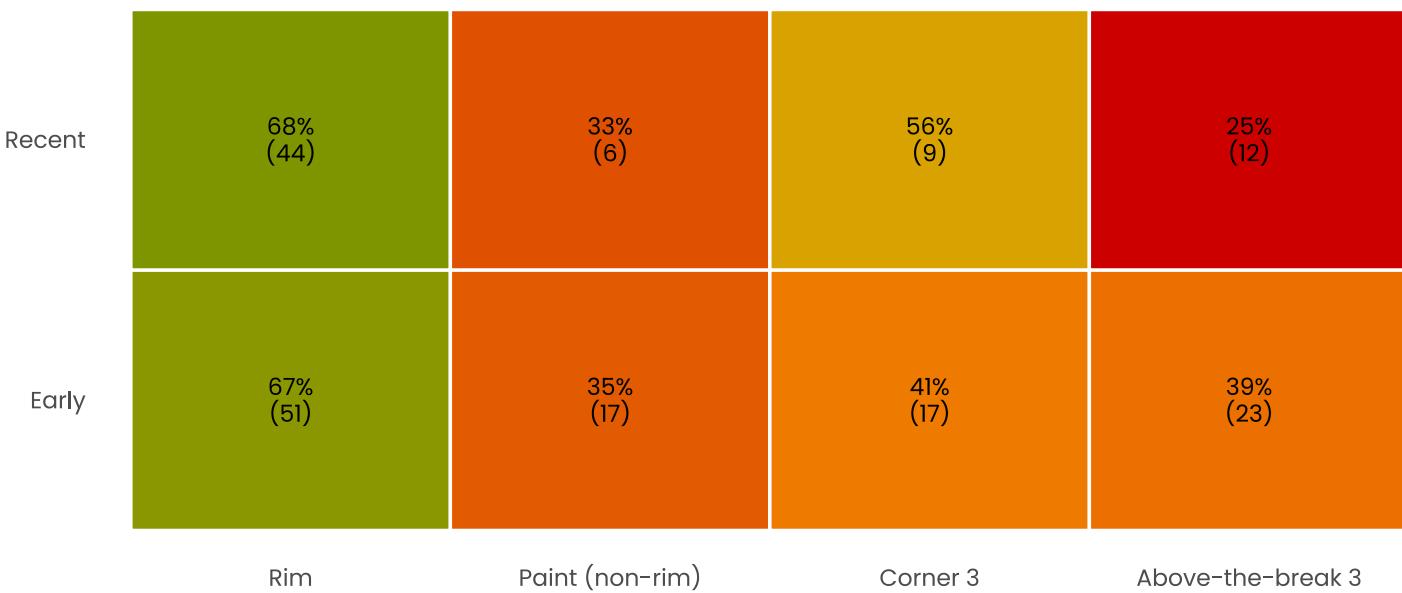
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-0.6	-0.3	-1.2	-3.5%	+2.3	-0.4	-3%	-2%	+0.12

Shot zone efficiency

Isaiah Stewart shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Jay Huff

Across the second half of games played, Jay Huff increased production by +1.9 PPG with TS% up +8.0%. Minutes changed by +5.4 MPG and shot volume changed by +0.9 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Rim (+26%) and Corner 3 (+1%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	18	16.7	6.8	0.9	3.3	47.9%	6.0	64%	20%	0.72
Recent	18	22.1	8.7	1.7	4.4	55.9%	6.9	67%	22%	0.89

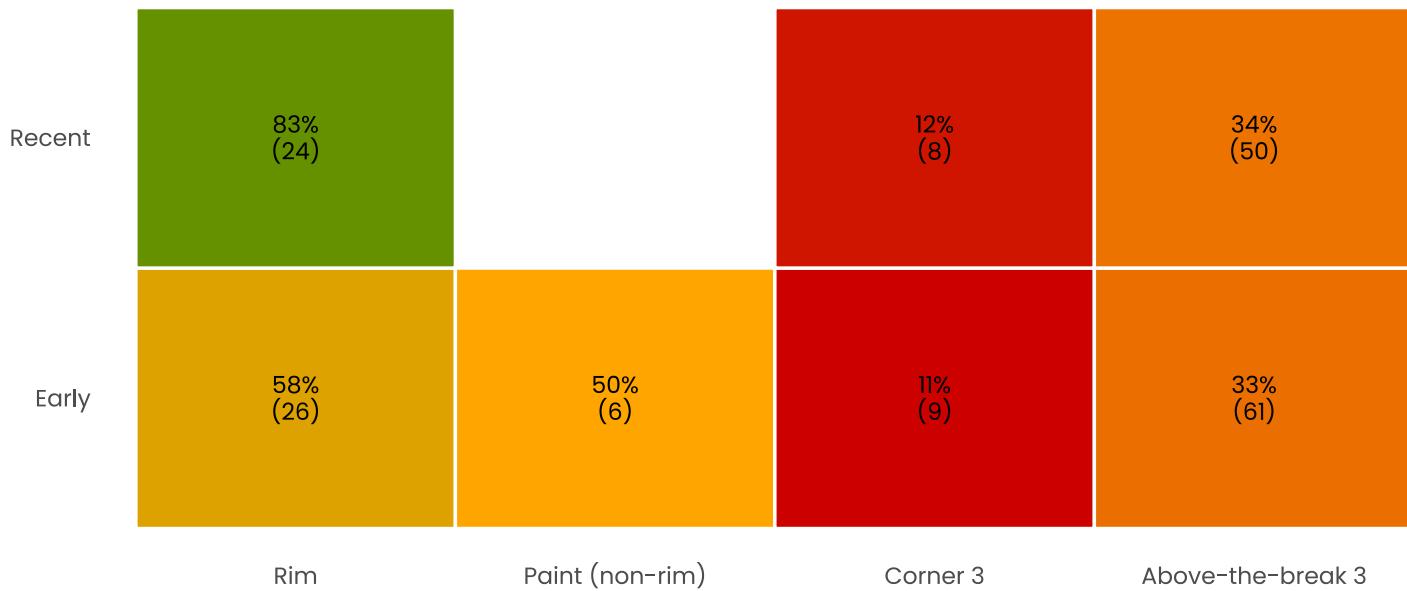
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Shot zone efficiency

Jay Huff shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Anthony Black

Across the second half of games played, Anthony Black increased production by +8 PPG with TS% up +1.3%. Minutes changed by +5.8 MPG and shot volume changed by +6.4 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Corner 3 (+25%) and Paint (non-rim) (-19%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	18	27.2	11.8	2.7	3.0	53.8%	9.2	35%	37%	2.0
Recent	18	33.0	19.8	4.8	5.2	55.1%	15.6	34%	34%	2.5

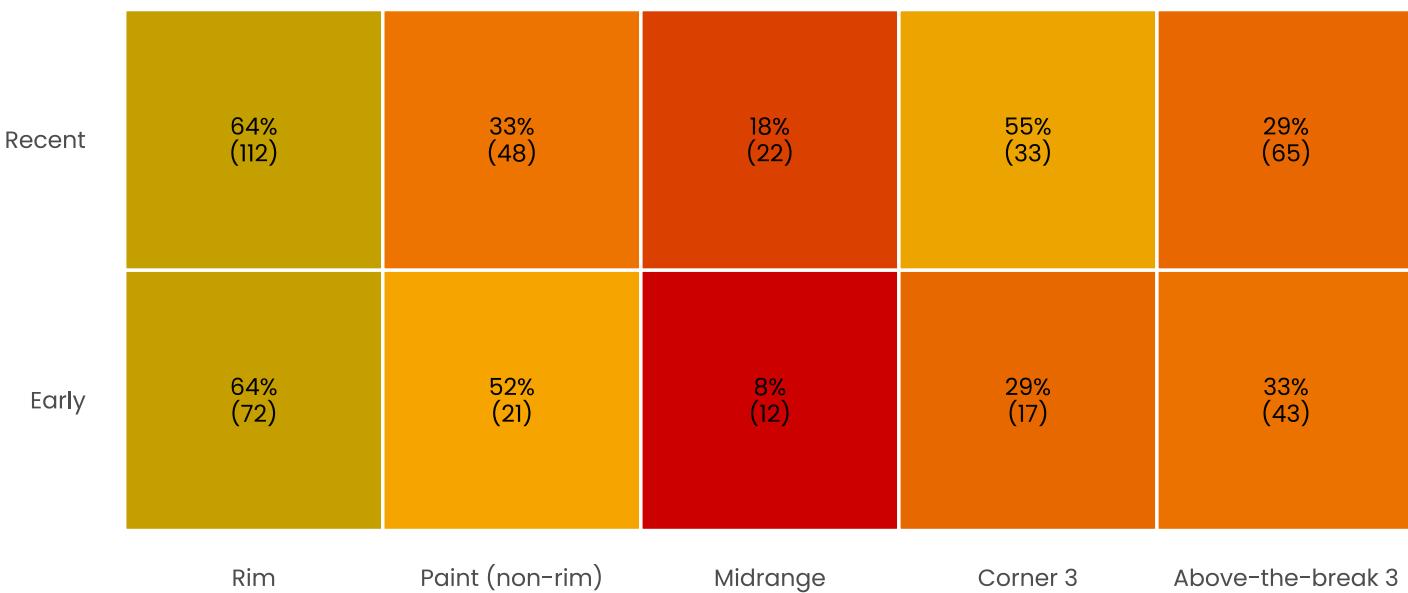
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Shot zone efficiency

Anthony Black shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).



Shaedon Sharpe

Across the second half of games played, Shaedon Sharpe increased production by +0.9 PPG with TS% up +0.3%. Minutes changed by +3.4 MPG and shot volume changed by +1.2 FGA/G. The biggest zone-level FG% swings were Paint (non-rim) (-27%) and Above-the-break 3 (+15%).

First half vs second half

Window	GP	MPG	PPG	AST/G	REB/G	TS%	FGA/G	3PA Share	FT Rate	TOV/G
Early	16	27.8	20.9	2.0	4.8	53.6%	17.3	38%	30%	2.81
Recent	16	31.2	21.8	2.8	4.1	53.9%	18.6	29%	21%	3.38

Change summary

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+0.9	+0.8	-0.7	+0.3%	+3.4	+1.2	-10%	-10%

Shot zone efficiency

Shaedon Sharpe shot zone efficiency (Early vs Recent)

FG% by zone. Cell shows FG% and attempts (FGA).

