

# NBA 2025–26: Isolation Ball Handler Efficiency (Min 25 Poss)

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Table 1: Isolation - Specialists by sample tier (top 7 each)

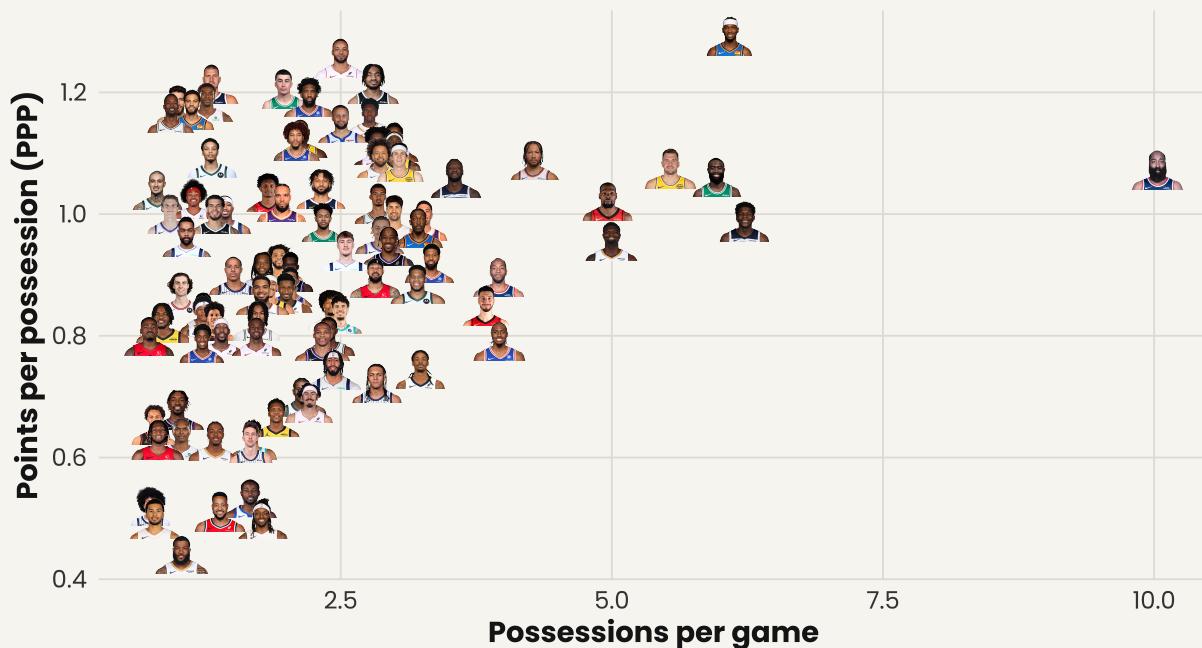
Tier	Player	Team	GP	Poss	Poss/G	%Time	PPP	eFG%	TO%	%FT	3PA/FGA
25–49 poss	Nikola Jokic	Denver Nuggets	32	42	1.31	5.4%	1.214	65.7%	11.9%	7.1%	20.0%
25–49 poss	Cam Thomas	Brooklyn Nets	10	28	2.80	13.7%	1.214	50.0%	3.6%	28.6%	22.7%
25–49 poss	Nicolas Claxton	Brooklyn Nets	30	46	1.53	12.1%	1.196	58.3%	6.5%	21.7%	2.8%
25–49 poss	Joel Embiid	Philadelphia 76ers	14	31	2.21	9.6%	1.194	52.1%	3.2%	25.8%	12.5%
25–49 poss	Jalen Duren	Detroit Pistons	30	38	1.27	8.1%	1.184	57.1%	5.3%	23.7%	0.0%
25–49 poss	Chet Holmgren	Oklahoma City Thunder	28	28	1.00	6.3%	1.179	63.0%	10.7%	7.1%	34.8%
25–49 poss	Ajay Mitchell	Oklahoma City Thunder	31	35	1.13	8.3%	1.171	56.5%	11.4%	28.6%	8.7%
50–74 poss	Norman Powell	Miami Heat	28	70	2.50	12.1%	1.257	58.9%	8.6%	20.0%	19.6%
50–74 poss	Payton Pritchard	Boston Celtics	32	63	1.97	12.1%	1.206	63.7%	9.5%	9.5%	27.5%
50–74 poss	Stephen Curry	Golden State Warriors	24	60	2.50	9.9%	1.150	57.6%	11.7%	15.0%	34.8%
50–74 poss	Austin Reaves	Los Angeles Lakers	23	70	3.04	13.3%	1.086	47.4%	2.9%	21.4%	22.8%
50–74 poss	Jamal Murray	Denver Nuggets	31	72	2.32	10.4%	1.042	53.4%	9.7%	9.7%	44.1%
50–74 poss	Amen Thompson	Houston Rockets	30	55	1.83	10.1%	1.036	53.7%	14.5%	16.4%	0.0%
50–74 poss	Dillon Brooks	Phoenix Suns	26	51	1.96	9.3%	1.020	52.2%	5.9%	7.8%	24.4%
75–99 poss	Derik Queen	New Orleans Pelicans	34	94	2.76	19.5%	1.160	61.9%	12.8%	19.1%	1.5%
75–99 poss	Donovan Mitchell	Cleveland Cavaliers	31	93	3.00	11.3%	1.118	58.1%	8.6%	6.5%	47.5%
75–99 poss	Davion Mitchell	Miami Heat	31	88	2.84	28.5%	1.114	59.2%	8.0%	8.0%	11.8%
75–99 poss	Pascal Siakam	Indiana Pacers	32	96	3.00	13.0%	1.104	54.0%	6.2%	21.9%	9.3%
75–99 poss	Cade Cunningham	Detroit Pistons	30	86	2.87	10.7%	1.093	53.5%	5.8%	16.3%	16.9%
75–99 poss	Jimmy Butler	Golden State Warriors	29	86	2.97	17.7%	1.058	47.5%	9.3%	26.7%	11.7%
75–99 poss	Deni Avdija	Portland Trail Blazers	33	99	3.00	12.2%	1.000	43.9%	13.1%	24.2%	36.4%

Table 2: Isolation - Volume Leaders

Player	Team	GP	Poss	Poss/G	%Time	PPP	TO%	%FT	3PA/FGA
James Harden	Los Angeles Clippers	30	301	10.03	41.2%	1.073	6.0%	23.9%	43.2%
Shai Gilgeous-Alexander	Oklahoma City Thunder	32	195	6.09	23.9%	1.292	3.6%	19.0%	30.8%
Jaylen Brown	Boston Celtics	30	179	5.97	21.1%	1.061	12.3%	16.8%	19.7%
Anthony Edwards	Minnesota Timberwolves	26	162	6.23	24.2%	0.988	9.3%	15.4%	34.6%
Kevin Durant	Houston Rockets	28	139	4.96	21.9%	1.022	9.4%	10.8%	15.9%
Luka Doncic	Los Angeles Lakers	24	133	5.54	17.4%	1.075	9.0%	19.5%	54.9%
Jalen Brunson	New York Knicks	29	124	4.28	16.2%	1.089	7.3%	14.5%	22.0%
Julius Randle	Minnesota Timberwolves	33	117	3.55	16.6%	1.060	11.1%	21.4%	14.1%
Tyrese Maxey	Philadelphia 76ers	29	115	3.97	14.1%	0.791	4.3%	13.9%	31.4%
Alperen Sengun	Houston Rockets	26	100	3.85	16.4%	0.850	14.0%	12.0%	0.0%
Deni Avdija	Portland Trail Blazers	33	99	3.00	12.2%	1.000	13.1%	24.2%	36.4%
DeMar DeRozan	Sacramento Kings	33	97	2.94	18.2%	0.948	9.3%	15.5%	5.0%
Pascal Siakam	Indiana Pacers	32	96	3.00	13.0%	1.104	6.2%	21.9%	9.3%
Brandon Ingram	Toronto Raptors	34	96	2.82	12.6%	0.896	13.5%	16.7%	8.6%
Devin Booker	Phoenix Suns	29	95	3.28	13.0%	0.989	15.8%	14.7%	14.3%

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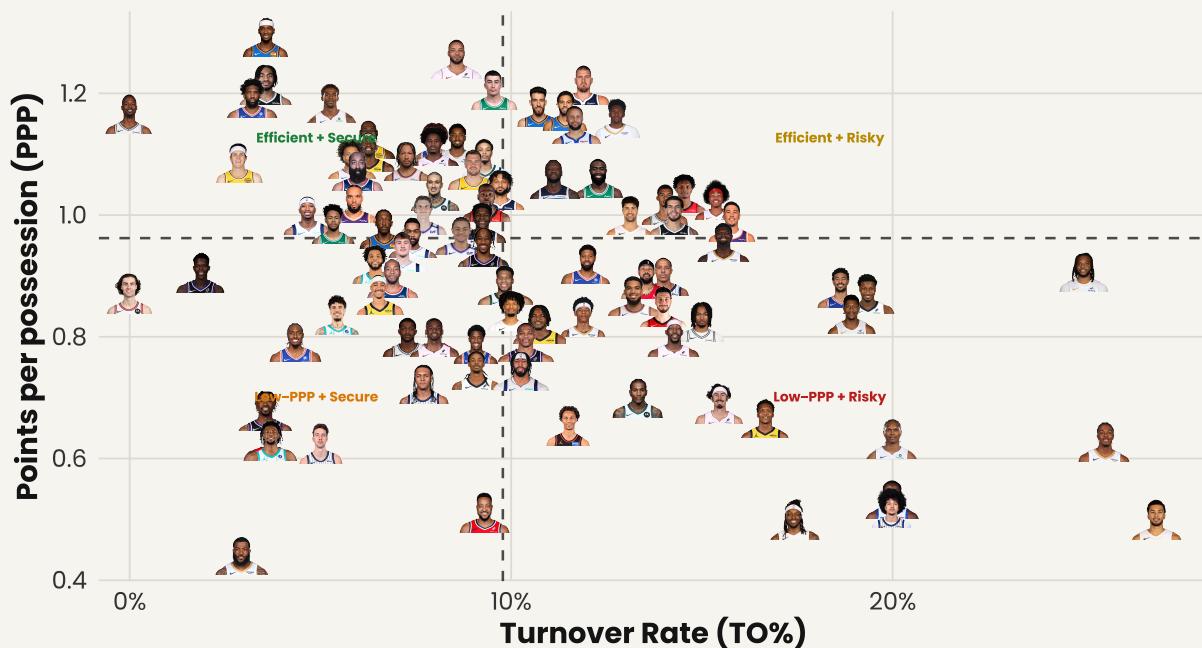
Poss/G vs PPP



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## Risk–Reward: Isolation

PPP vs TO%. Dashed splits = possession-weighted league averages.



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Table 3: PnR Ball Handler - Free-Throw Dependency Leaders (min 50 poss)

Player	Team	GP	Poss	Poss/G	PPP	%FT	TO%	eFG%	3PA/FGA
Jimmy Butler	Golden State Warriors	29	86	2.97	1.058	26.7%	9.3%	47.5%	11.7%
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James Harden	Los Angeles Clippers	30	301	10.03	1.073	23.9%	6.0%	43.5%	43.2%
Miles Bridges	Charlotte Hornets	32	62	1.94	0.919	22.6%	6.5%	36.7%	17.8%
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Zion Williamson	New Orleans Pelicans	18	90	5.00	0.956	21.1%	15.6%	50.8%	0.0%
Victor Wembanyama	San Antonio Spurs	20	57	2.85	1.018	21.1%	14.0%	47.4%	23.1%
Norman Powell	Miami Heat	28	70	2.50	1.257	20.0%	8.6%	58.9%	19.6%
Paolo Banchero	Orlando Magic	23	65	2.83	0.723	20.0%	7.7%	32.7%	10.2%
Luka Doncic	Los Angeles Lakers	24	133	5.54	1.075	19.5%	9.0%	49.0%	54.9%
Derik Queen	New Orleans Pelicans	34	94	2.76	1.160	19.1%	12.8%	61.9%	1.5%
Shai Gilgeous-Alexander	Oklahoma City Thunder	32	195	6.09	1.292	19.0%	3.6%	59.6%	30.8%
Quentin Grimes	Philadelphia 76ers	29	59	2.03	0.881	18.6%	18.6%	43.6%	41.0%

Table 4: PnR Ball Handler - Names to Circle (efficient, lower usage within action)

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Harrison Barnes	San Antonio Spurs	32	30	0.94	8.5%	1.167	53.8%	0.0%	13.3%	3.8%
Stephen Curry	Golden State Warriors	24	60	2.50	9.9%	1.150	57.6%	11.7%	15.0%	34.8%
LeBron James	Los Angeles Lakers	15	32	2.13	10.6%	1.125	57.1%	6.2%	9.4%	39.3%