



THE **STARTING 9** EFFECT

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SLIDE DECK GAMEPLAN

DOES AN APPEARANCE ON STARTING 9 SEND A
PLAYER ON A HOT STREAK?

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GUESTS:

LOOKING AT...

- POSITION PLAYERS
- MINIMUM 5 GAMES BEFORE AND AFTER POD RELEASE
 - NO OFFSEASON INTERVIEWS
 - NO IL OR MILB PLAYERS

* MAX MUNCY IS INCLUDED TWICE FOR HIS 2 QUALIFYING INTERVIEWS

Player	Pod Release Date	SlashCareer
CodyBellinger	08/09/2021	0.264/0.355/0.527
JesseWinker	07/22/2021	0.289/0.385/0.506
AlexVerdugo	07/02/2021	0.286/0.344/0.447
KyleSchwarber	06/29/2021	0.233/0.337/0.491
LukeVoit	07/14/2020	0.267/0.356/0.504
MaxMuncy	08/05/2019	0.243/0.368/0.494
JeffMcneil	07/23/19	0.307/0.374/0.475
ScooterGennett	07/02/2019	0.286/0.327/0.449
HunterPence	06/25/2019	0.279/0.334/0.461
GioUrshela	06/11/2019	0.273/0.32/0.433
AlexBregman	06/04/2019	0.282/0.379/0.512
DansbySwanson	05/28/2019	0.252/0.32/0.414
NelsonCruz	04/16/2019	0.278/0.347/0.528
KevinPillar	04/08/2019	0.259/0.295/0.405
MaxMuncy	04/02/2019	0.243/0.368/0.494
WhitMerrifield	09/12/2018	0.291/0.339/0.436
NickCastellanos	09/06/2018	0.278/0.329/0.481
JedLowrie	07/12/2018	0.261/0.335/0.413
TrevorStory	06/28/2018	0.274/0.341/0.524
KoltenWong	06/14/2018	0.262/0.334/0.39
TylerAustin	04/12/2018	0.219/0.292/0.451
ChristianYelich	09/28/2017	0.292/0.381/0.48
RhysHoskins	09/07/2017	0.24/0.359/0.498
TravisShaw	08/17/2017	0.239/0.322/0.439

AT A GLANCE

AVERAGE SLASH CHANGE IN 5 GAMES AFTER
POD FROM 10 GAMES BEFORE POD

+0.028 / +0.026 / +0.090

AVERAGE SLASH CHANGE IN 5 GAMES AFTER
POD FROM CAREER

+0.009 / +0.011 / +0.069

AT A GLANCE

SAMPLE = CHANGE 5 GAMES AFTER POD FROM 10 GAMES BEFORE
CAREER = CHANGE 5 GAMES AFTER FROM CAREER

Player	Slash5gPost	SampleAvgDiff	SampleObpDiff	SampleSlgDiff	CareerAvgDiff	CareerObpDiff	CareerSlgDiff
CodyBellinger	0.263/0.333/0.684	0.038	0.089	0.209	-0.001	-0.022	0.157
JesseWinker	0.476/0.542/0.952	0.271	0.287	0.679	0.187	0.157	0.446
AlexVerdugo	0.277/0.261/0.364	0.066	-0.087	0.127	-0.009	-0.083	-0.083
KyleSchwarber	0.25/0.4/0.583	-0.116	-0.022	-0.588	0.017	0.063	0.092
LukeVoit	0.15/0.227/0.3	-0.164	-0.202	-0.100	-0.117	-0.129	-0.204

* JESSE WINKER LOVES YOU, MORE ON THAT SOON

AT A GLANCE

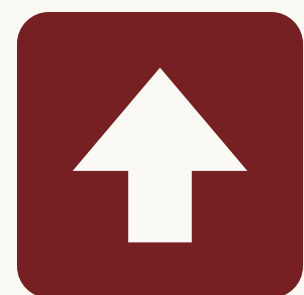
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MaxMuncy	0.125/0.333/0.313	-0.125	-0.039	-0.076	-0.118	-0.035	-0.181
JeffMcneil	0.267/0.353/0.533	0.028	0.067	0.098	-0.040	-0.021	0.058
ScooterGennett	0.125/0.125/0.188	-0.042	-0.042	0.021	-0.161	-0.202	-0.261
HunterPence	0.25/0.294/0.25	-0.064	-0.106	-0.521	-0.029	-0.040	-0.211
GioUrshela	0.278/0.278/0.556	0.066	-0.004	0.132	0.005	-0.042	0.123
AlexBregman	0.333/0.375/0.524	0.044	-0.025	-0.001	0.051	-0.004	0.012
DansbySwanson	0.286/0.318/0.619	-0.031	-0.046	0.009	0.034	-0.002	0.205
NelsonCruz	0.412/0.474/0.882	0.136	0.042	0.434	0.134	0.127	0.354
KevinPillar	0.238/0.227/0.714	0.144	0.136	0.620	-0.021	-0.068	0.309
MaxMuncy	0.375/0.45/0.875	0.250	0.200	0.562	0.132	0.082	0.381

AT A GLANCE

Player	Slash5gPost	SampleAvgDiff	SampleObpDiff	SampleSlgDiff	CareerAvgDiff	CareerObpDiff	CareerSlgDiff
WhitMerrifield	0.286/0.385/0.429	0.064	0.163	0.073	-0.005	0.046	-0.007
NickCastellanos	0.375/0.476/0.563	0.082	0.106	0.148	0.097	0.147	0.082
JedLowrie	0/0.235/0	-0.258	-0.230	-0.484	-0.261	-0.100	-0.413
TrevorStory	0.444/0.5/0.667	0.206	0.227	0.215	0.170	0.159	0.143
KoltenWong	0.364/0.417/0.636	0.147	0.084	0.245	0.102	0.083	0.246
TylerAustin	0.35/0.409/0.8	0.085	0.050	0.300	0.131	0.117	0.349
ChristianYelich	0.3/0.533/0.3	0.100	0.260	0.000	0.008	0.152	-0.180
RhysHoskins	0.25/0.423/0.85	-0.074	-0.016	0.262	0.010	0.064	0.352
TravisShaw	0.136/0.136/0.318	-0.178	-0.264	-0.196	-0.103	-0.186	-0.121

*WHAT DID YOU DO TO JED LOWRIE? MORE ON THAT SOON

STANDOUT PERFORMANCES



JESSE WINKER



POD RELEASE: 7/22/21

IN 5 GAMES AND 24PA AFTER...

- **10 HITS: 4 SINGLES, 4 DOUBLES, 2HR**
- **5 RBI**
- **SLASH: 0.476/0.542/.952**

20 GAME ON-BASE STREAK

SampleAvgDiff

0.271

SampleObpDiff

0.287

SampleSlgDiff

0.679

CareerAvgDiff

0.187

CareerObpDiff

0.157

CareerSlgDiff

0.446

TREVOR STORY

POD RELEASE: 6/28/18

IN 5 GAMES AND 20PA AFTER...

- **8 HITS: 4 SINGLES, 4 DOUBLES**
- **1 RBI**
- **SLASH: 0.444/0.500/.667**



SampleAvgDiff	SampleObpDiff	SampleSlgDiff	CareerAvgDiff	CareerObpDiff	CareerSlgDiff
0.206	0.227	0.215	0.170	0.159	0.143



NELSON CRUZ



POD RELEASE: 4/16/19

IN 5 GAMES AND 19PA AFTER...

- **7 HITS: 3 SINGLES, 2 DOUBLES, 2HR**
- **6 RBI**
- **SLASH: 0.412/0.474/0.882**

SampleAvgDiff

0.136

SampleObpDiff

0.042

SampleSlgDiff

0.434

CareerAvgDiff

0.134

CareerObpDiff

0.127

CareerSlgDiff

0.354

MAX MUNCY

POD RELEASE: 4/02/19

IN 5 GAMES AND 20PA AFTER...

- **6 HITS: 3 SINGLES, 1 TRIPLE, 2HR**
- **6 RBI**
- **SLASH: 0.375/0.450/.875**



SampleAvgDiff

0.250

SampleObpDiff

0.200

SampleSlgDiff

0.562

CareerAvgDiff

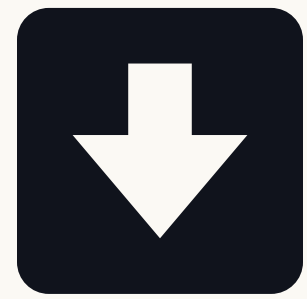
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CareerObpDiff

0.082

CareerSlgDiff

0.381



JED LOWRIE

POD RELEASE: 7/12/18
IN 5 GAMES AND 17PA AFTER...

- 0 HITS
- SLASH: 0.000/0.235/.000

SampleAvgDiff	SampleObpDiff	SampleSlgDiff	CareerAvgDiff	CareerObpDiff	CareerSlgDiff
-0.258	-0.230	-0.484	-0.261	-0.100	-0.413

*APOLOGIZE TO HIM WOW.



IN SUM

ON AVERAGE, PLAYERS CAN IMPROVE THEIR
CURRENT WEEK'S SLASHLINE BY
+0.028 / +0.026 / +0.090
BY COMING ON THE POD.

CASE CLOSED.

MORE ON THE DATA

JUST COVERING MY BASES

TAKE A LOOK IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN THE
BREAKDOWNS FOR EACH STAT SPECIFICALLY

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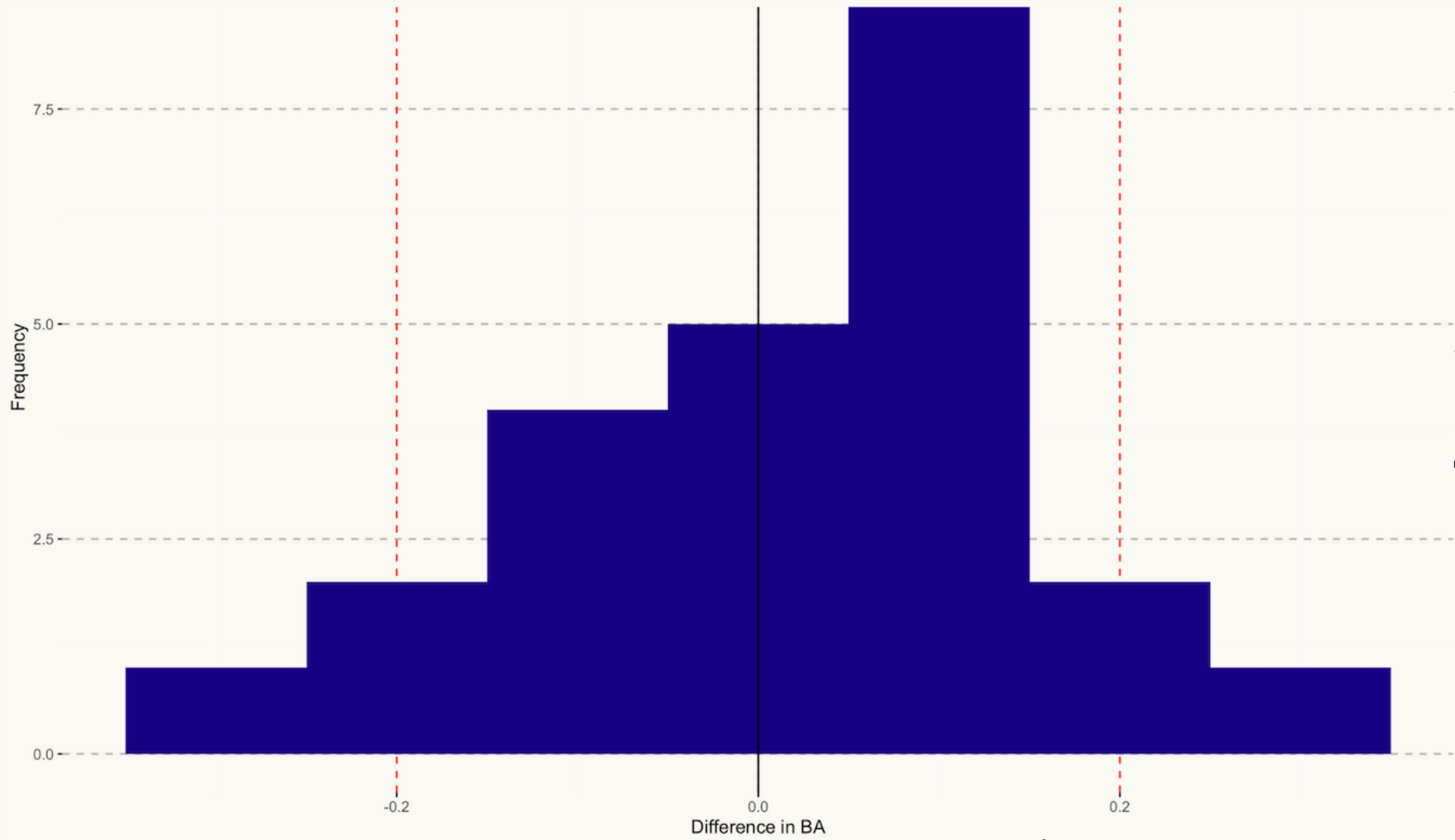
**BECAUSE I'M MAJORING IN ANALYTICS, I HAVE
TO CLARIFY:**

- **SAMPLE SIZE IS TINY**
- **ALL DATA FROM FANGRAPHS**
- **SUPER SURFACE-LEVEL ANALYSIS,
OBVIOUSLY NOT ADJUSTING FOR ANYTHING**

BATTING AVERAGE

CHANGE IN BA 5 GAMES AFTER POD FROM 10
GAMES BEFORE
+ 0.028 BA, ON AVG

PLAYERS
WITH THAT
DIFFERENCE



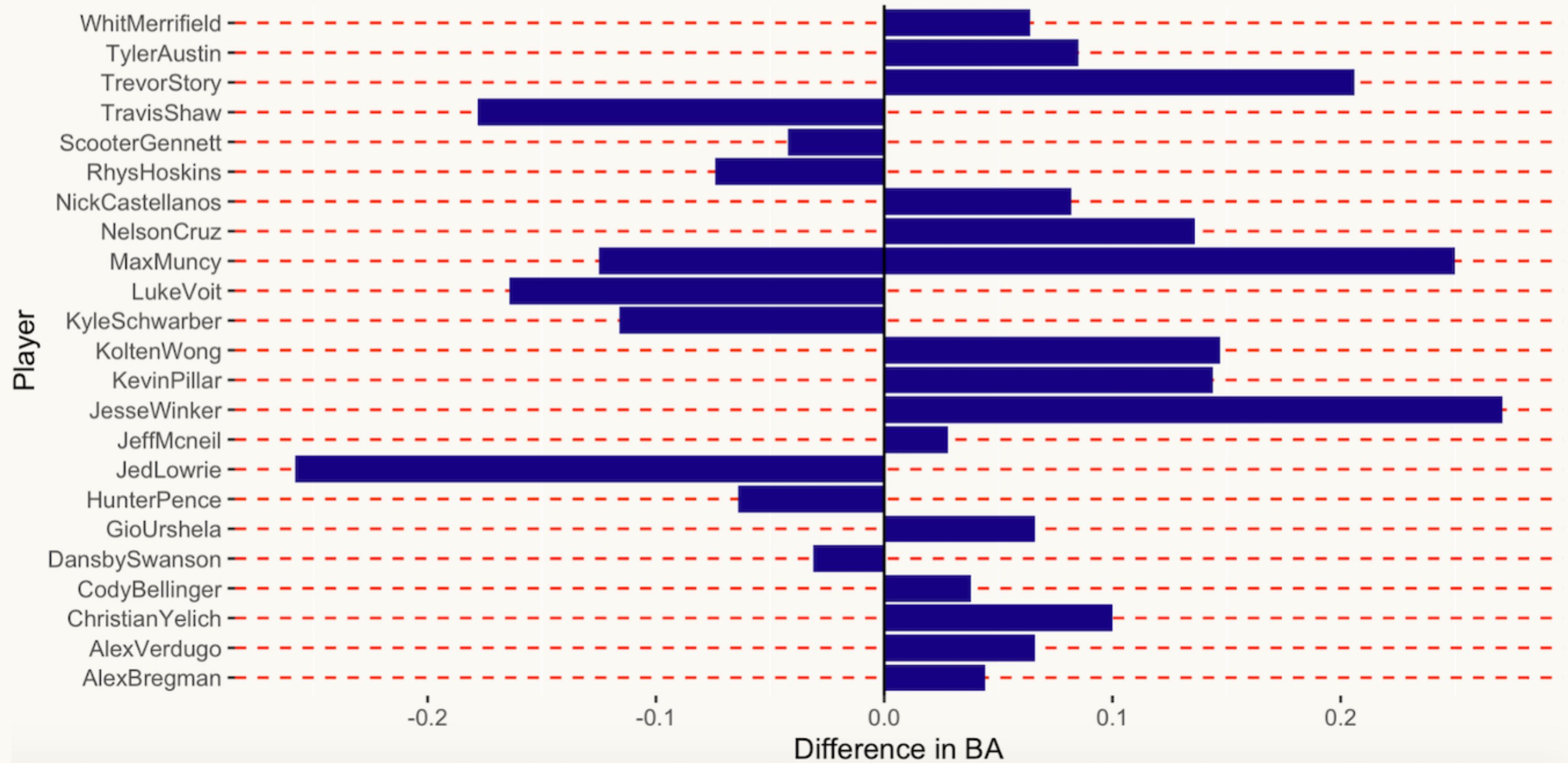
* A
HISTOGRAM

ALL
PLAYERS TO
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POSITIVE BA
CHANGES

BA DIFFERENCE



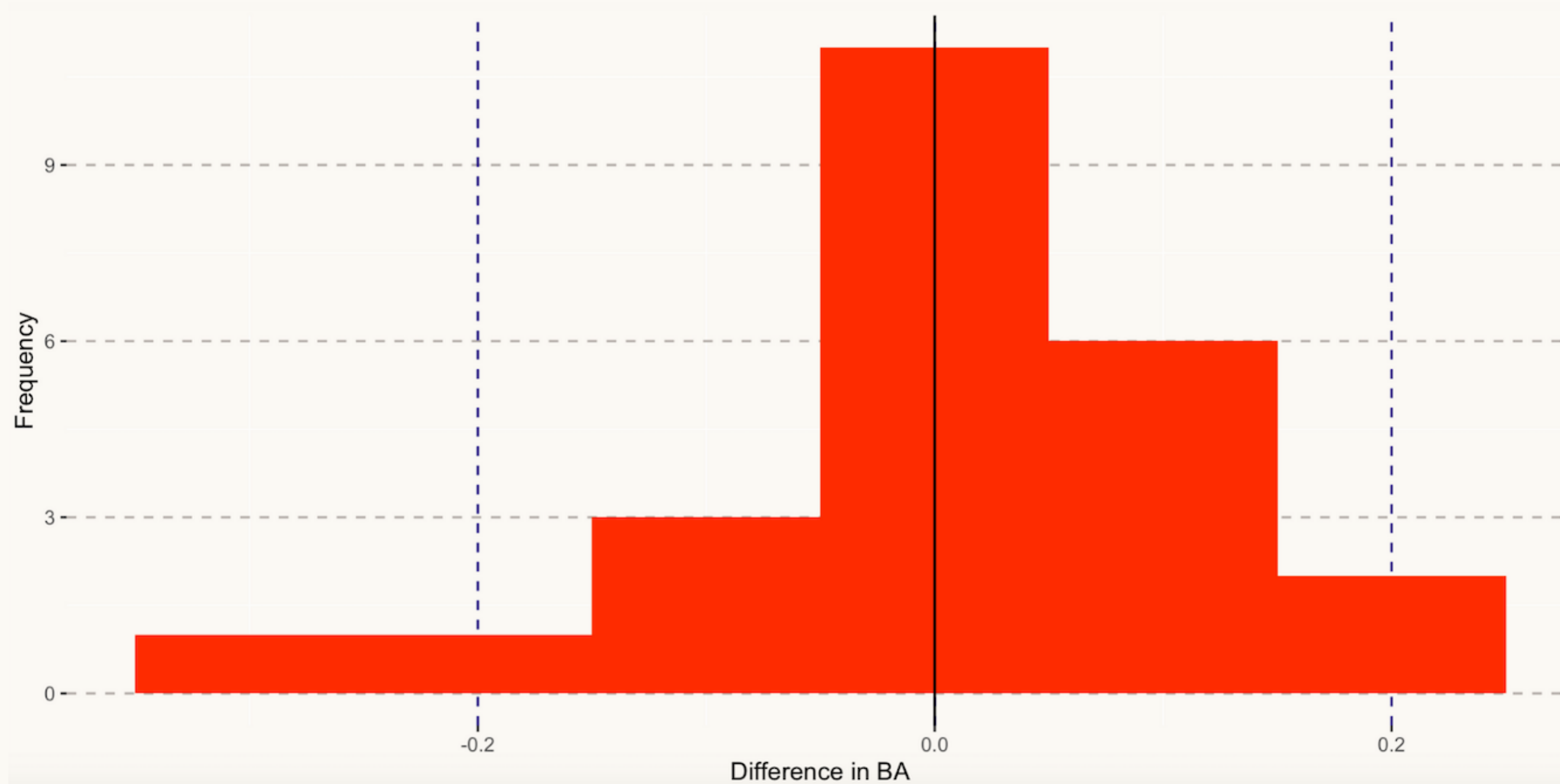
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***MUNCY QUALIFIED TWICE**

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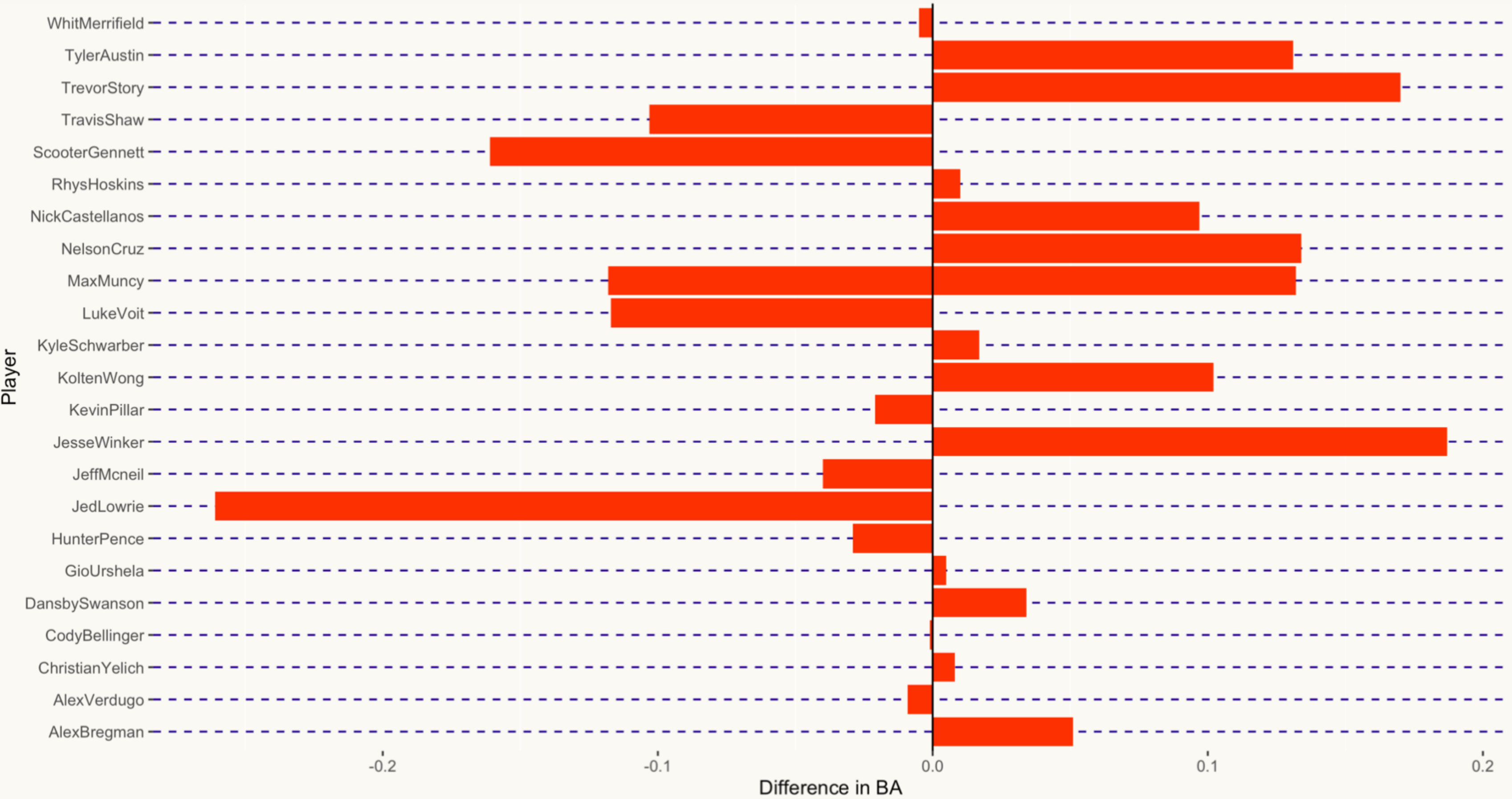
+ 0.009 BA, ON AVG



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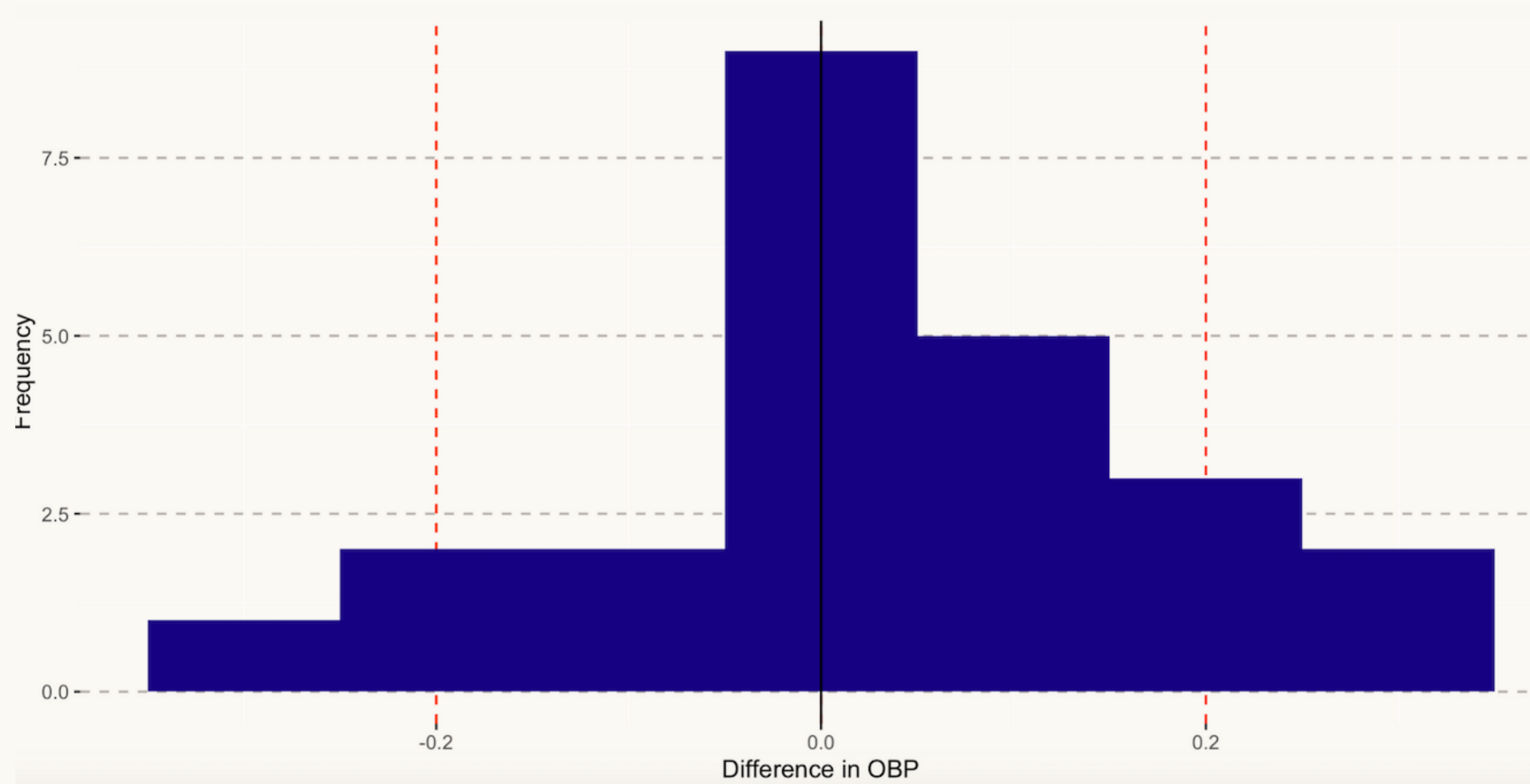
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CHANGE IN BA 5 GAMES AFTER POD FROM CAREER



ON BASE PERCENTAGE

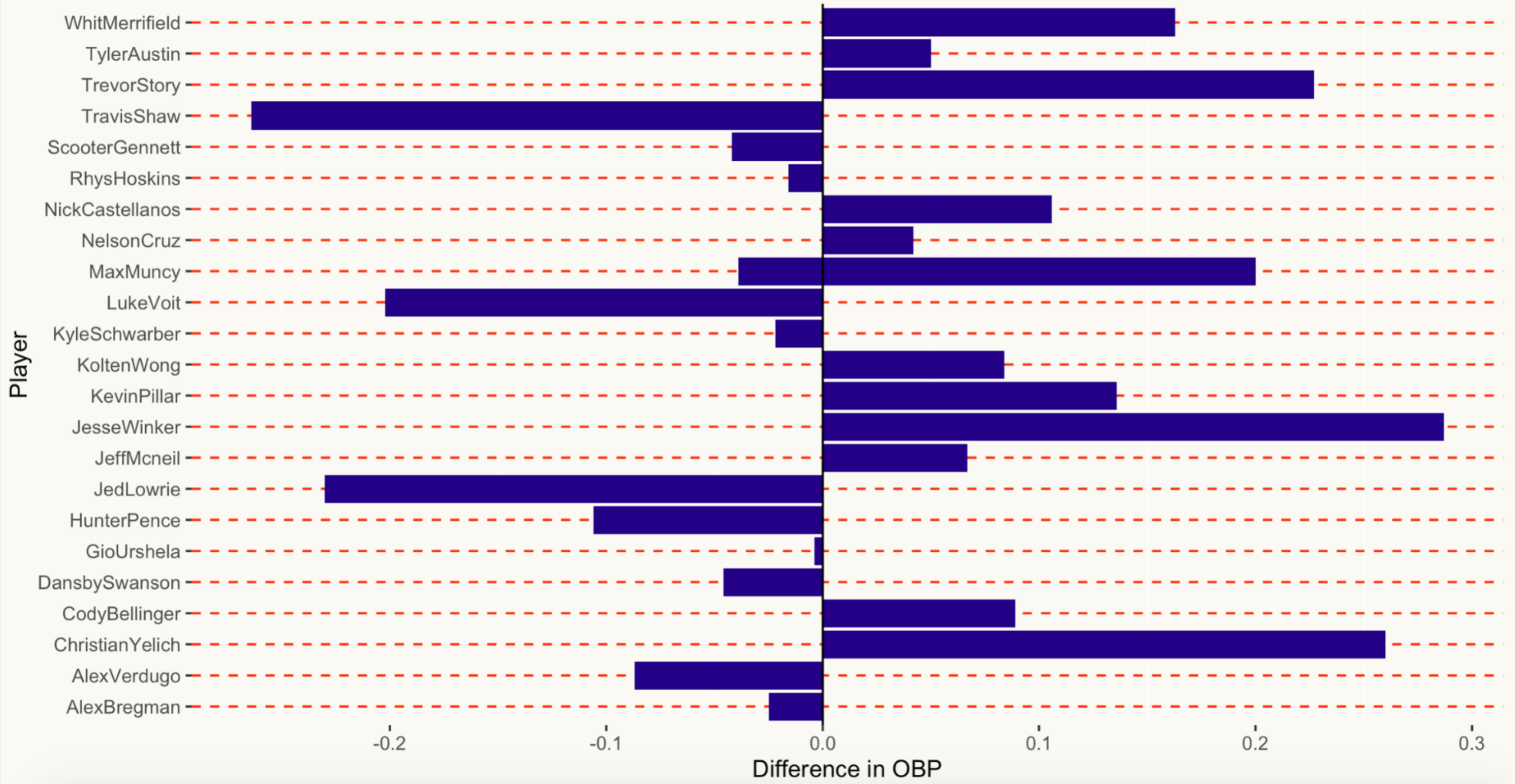
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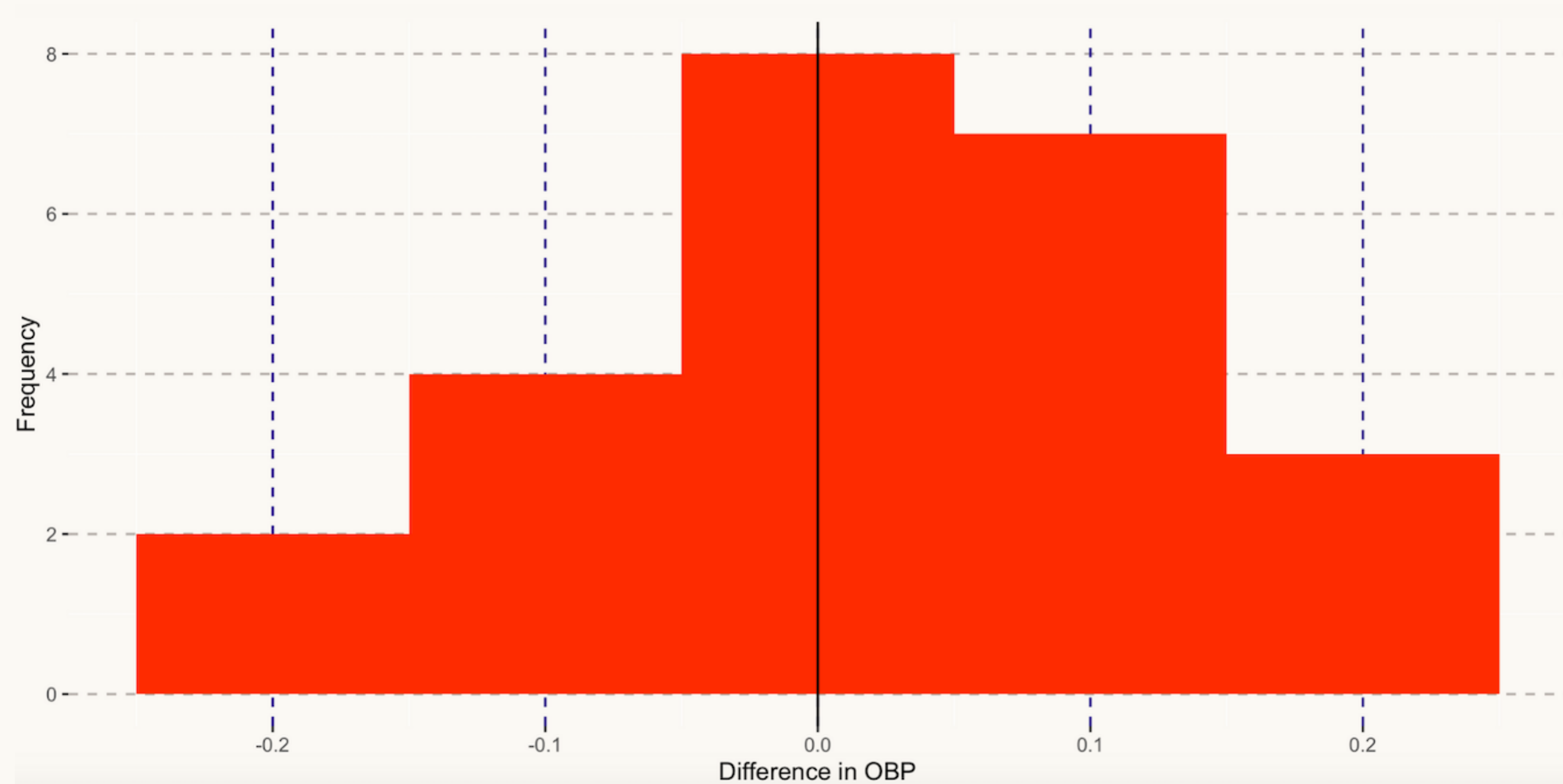
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CHANGE IN OBP IN 5 GAMES AFTER POD FROM CAREER

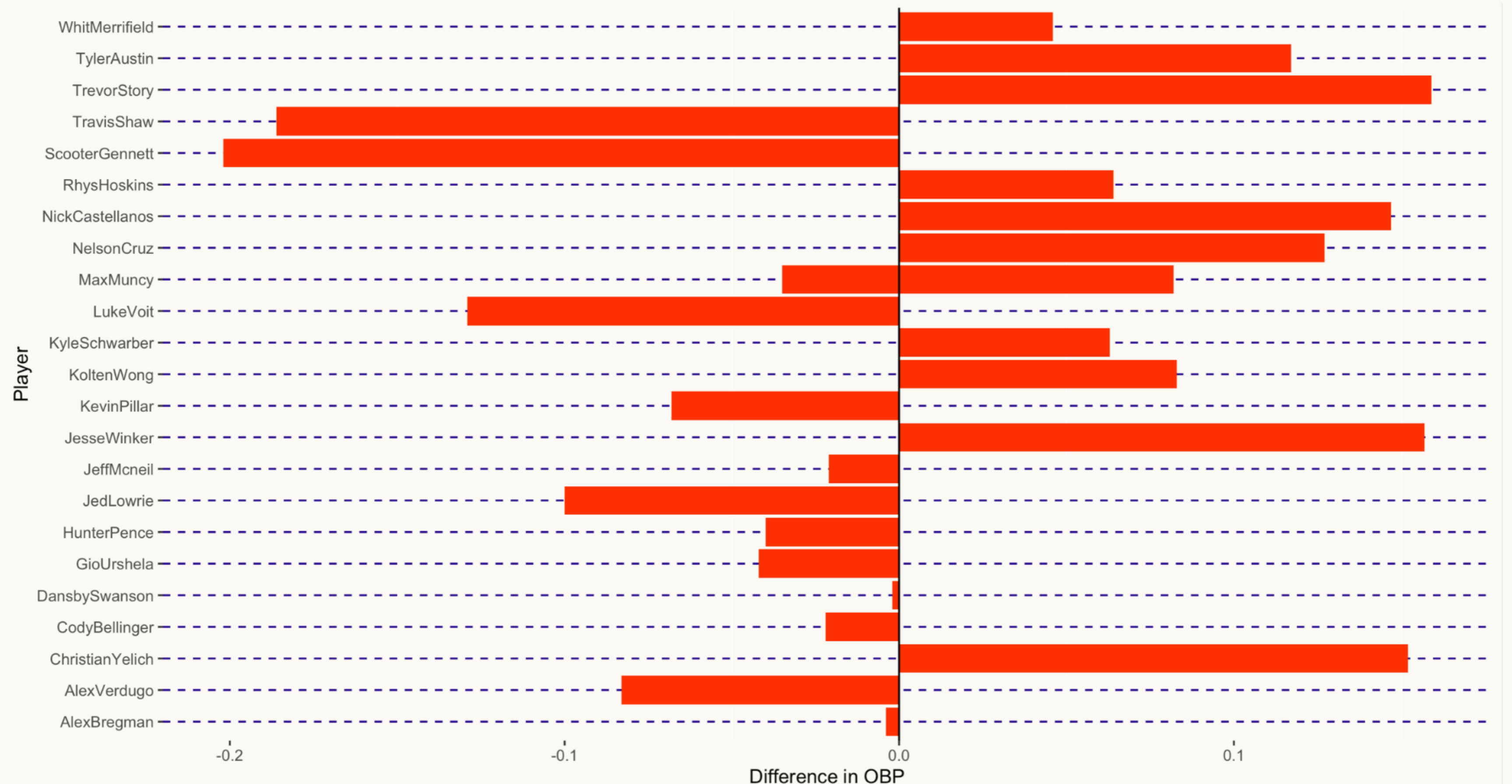
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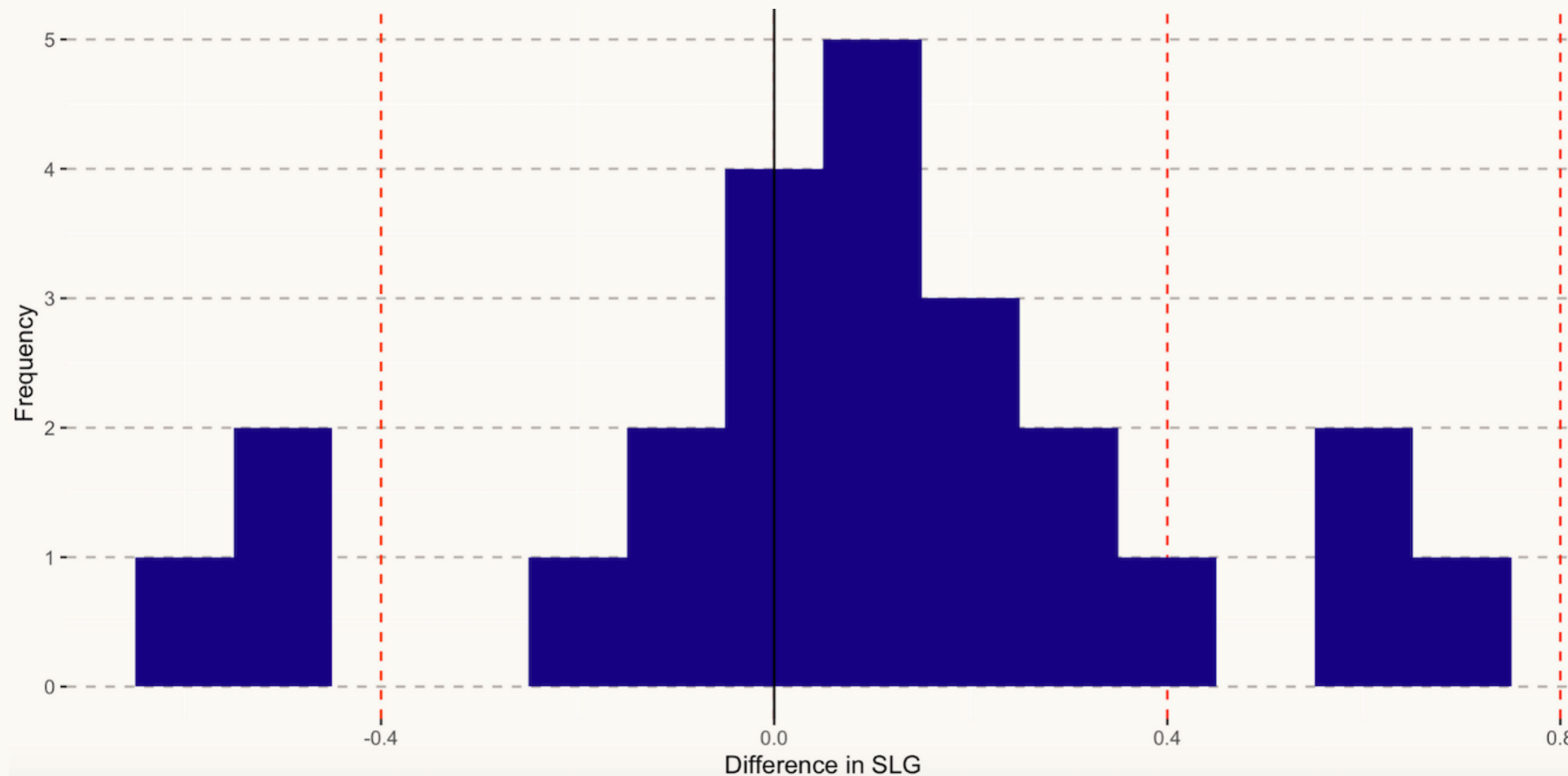
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SLUGGING

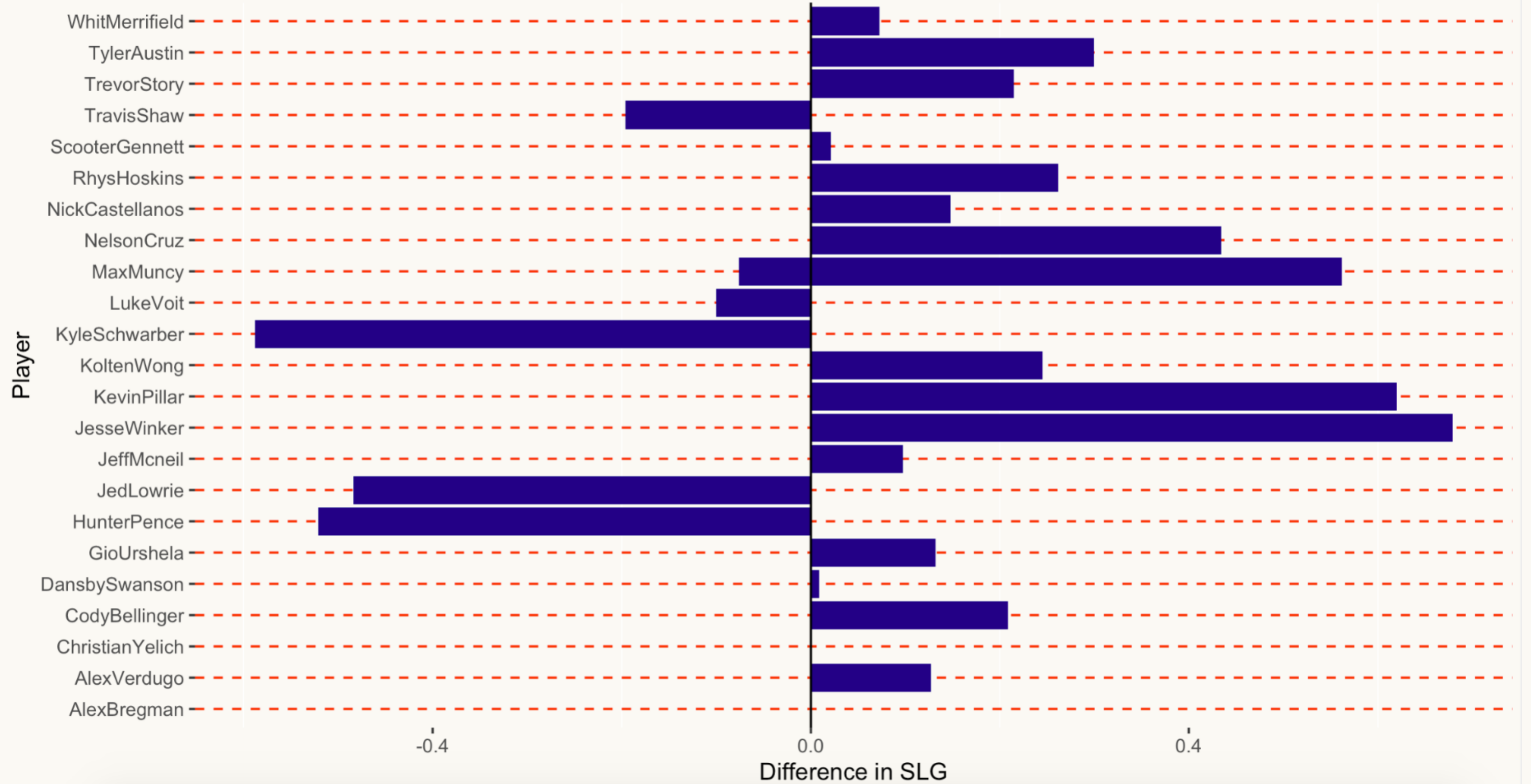
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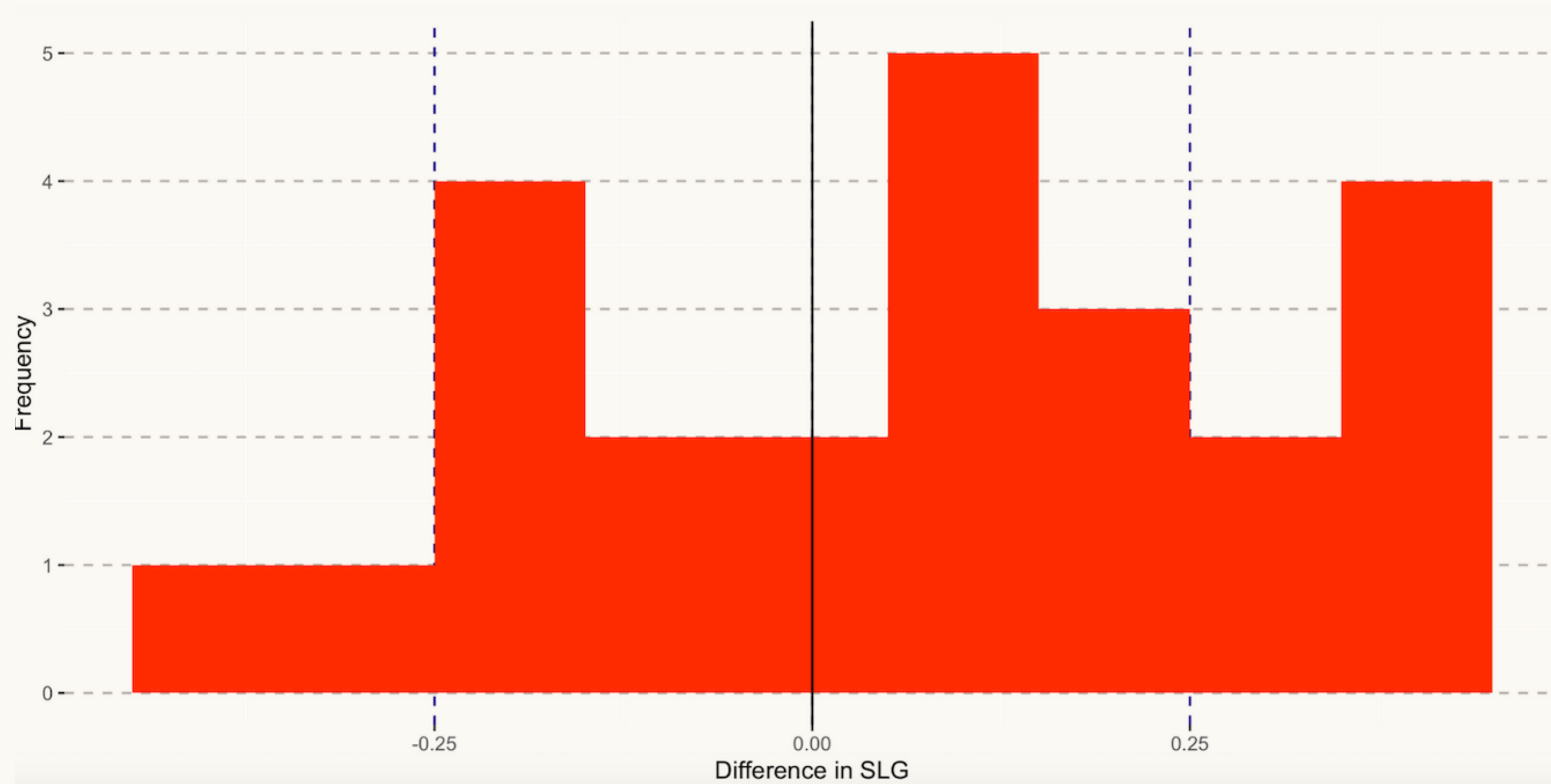
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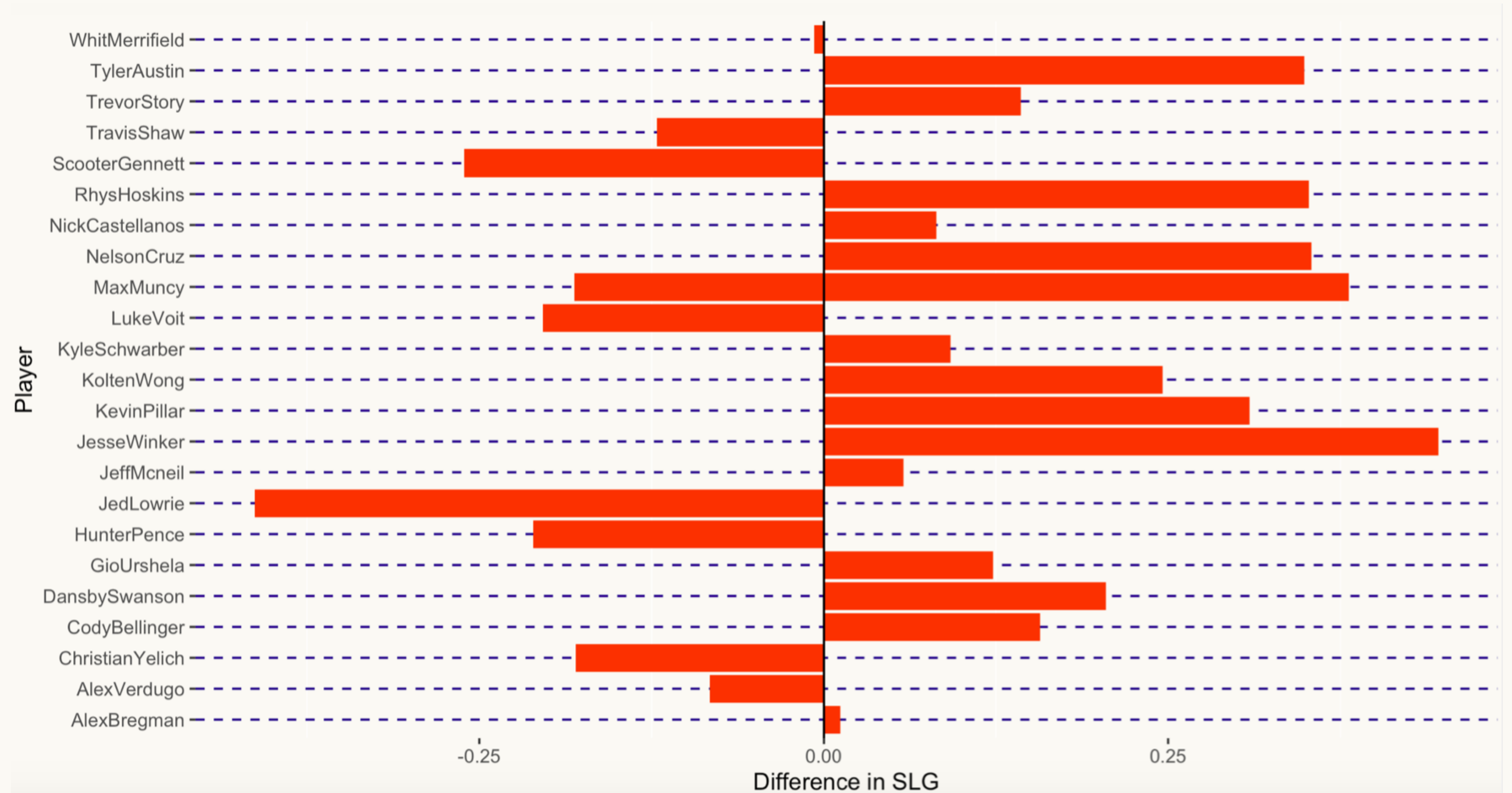
+ 0.069 SLG, ON AVG



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