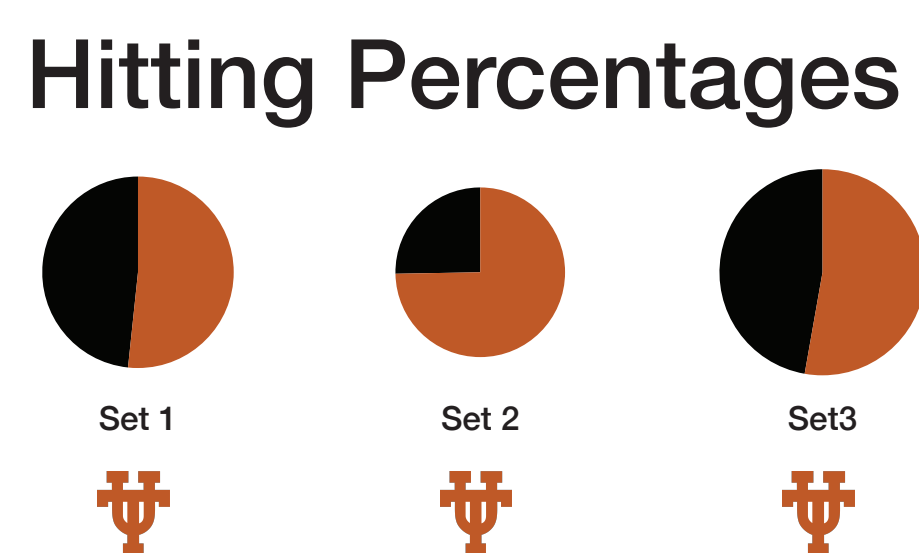
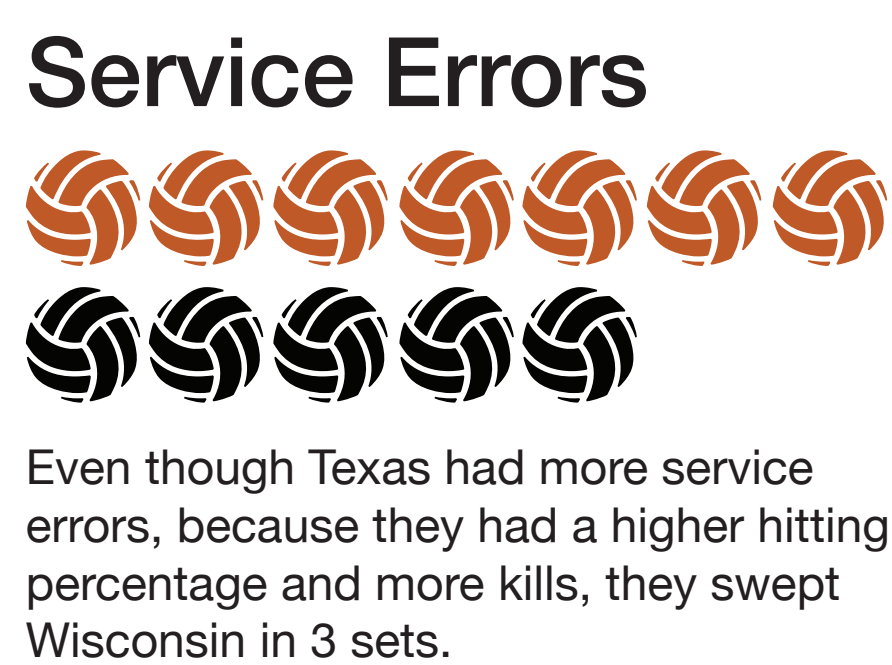
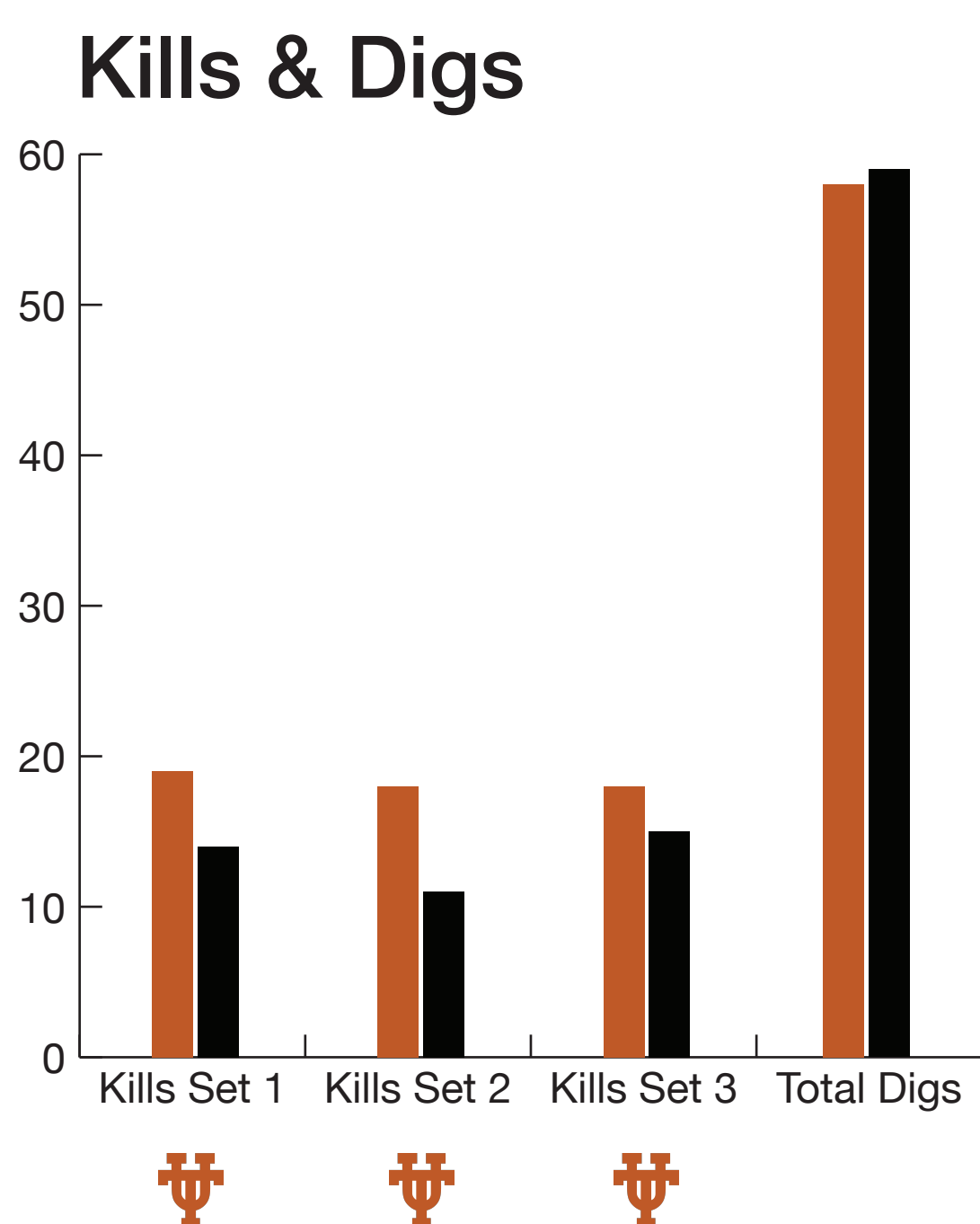
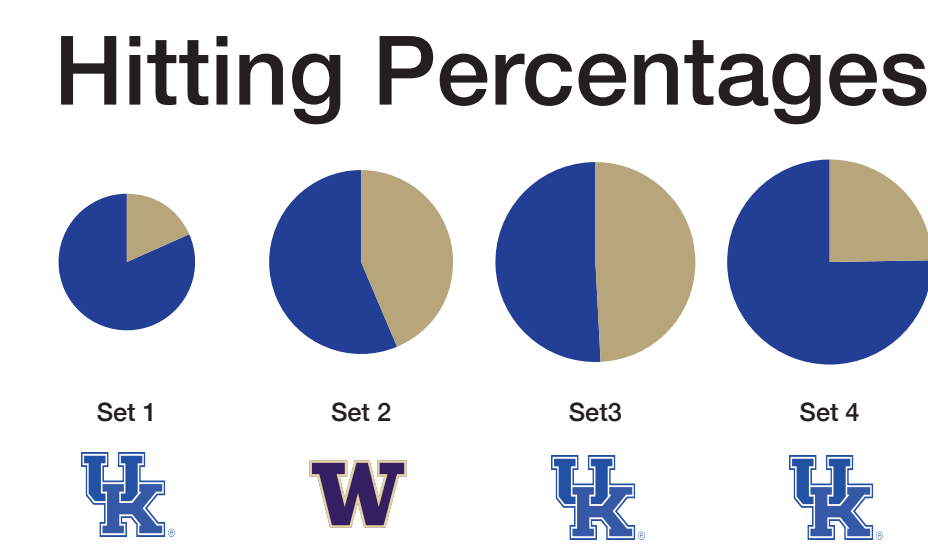
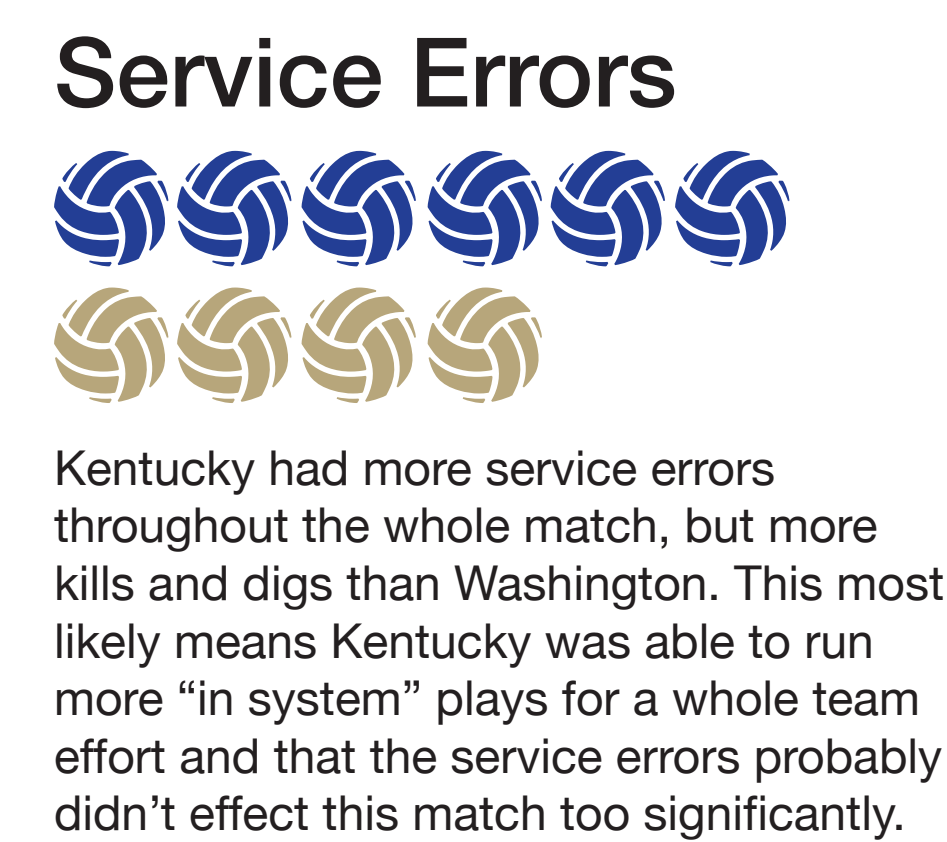
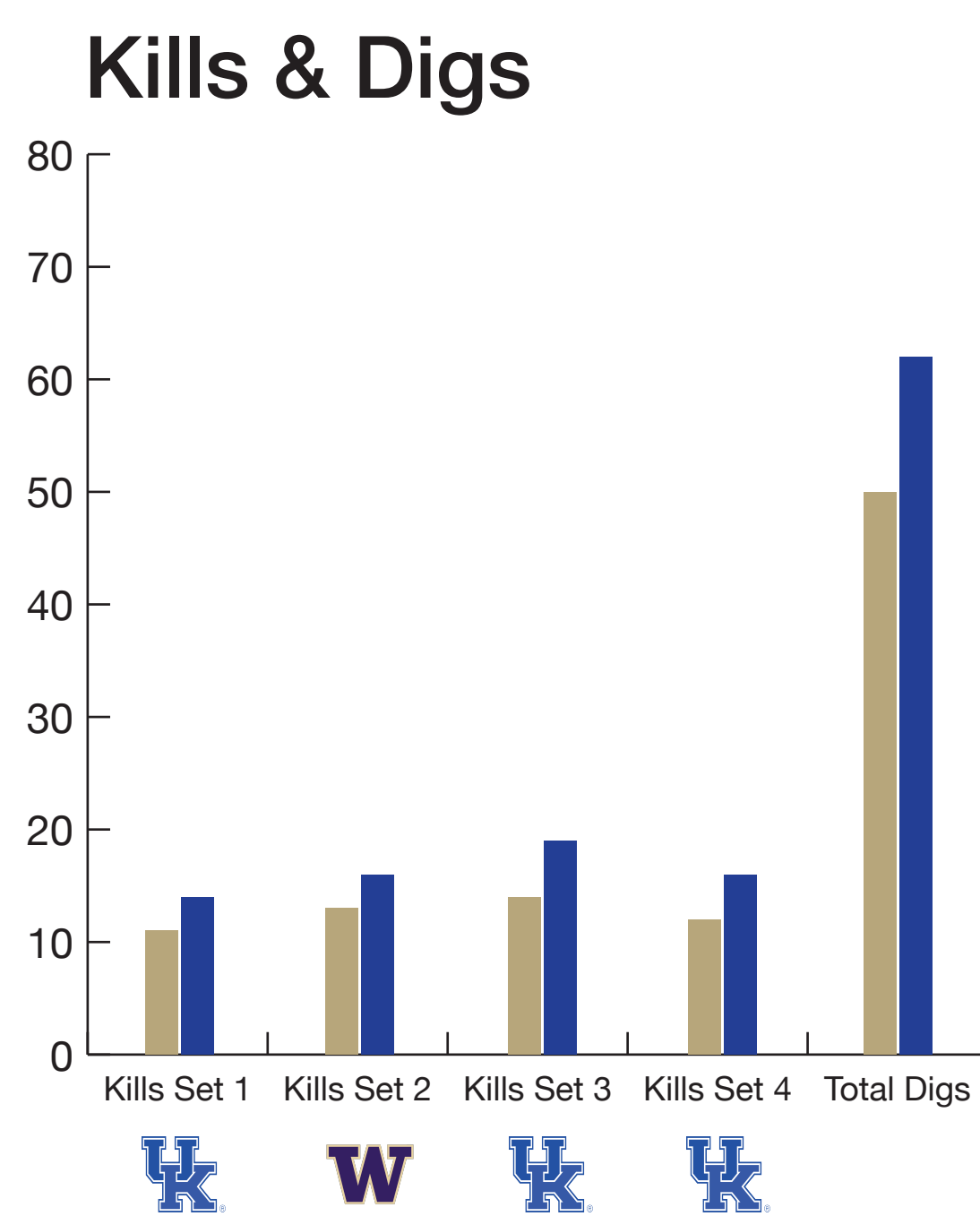


DEFENSE WINS CHAMPIONSHIPS

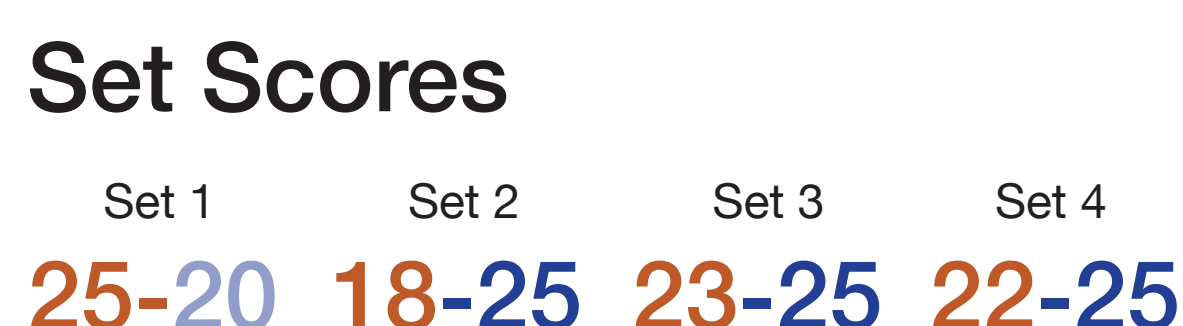
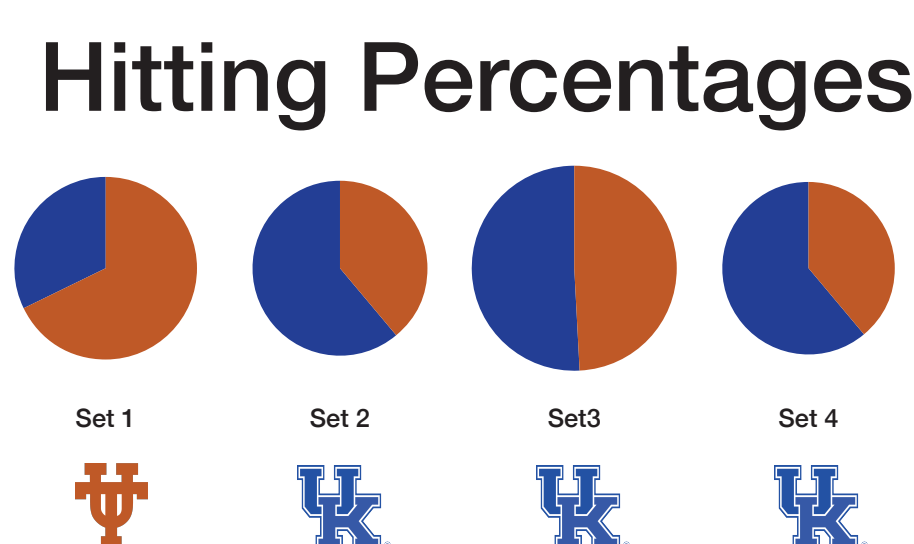
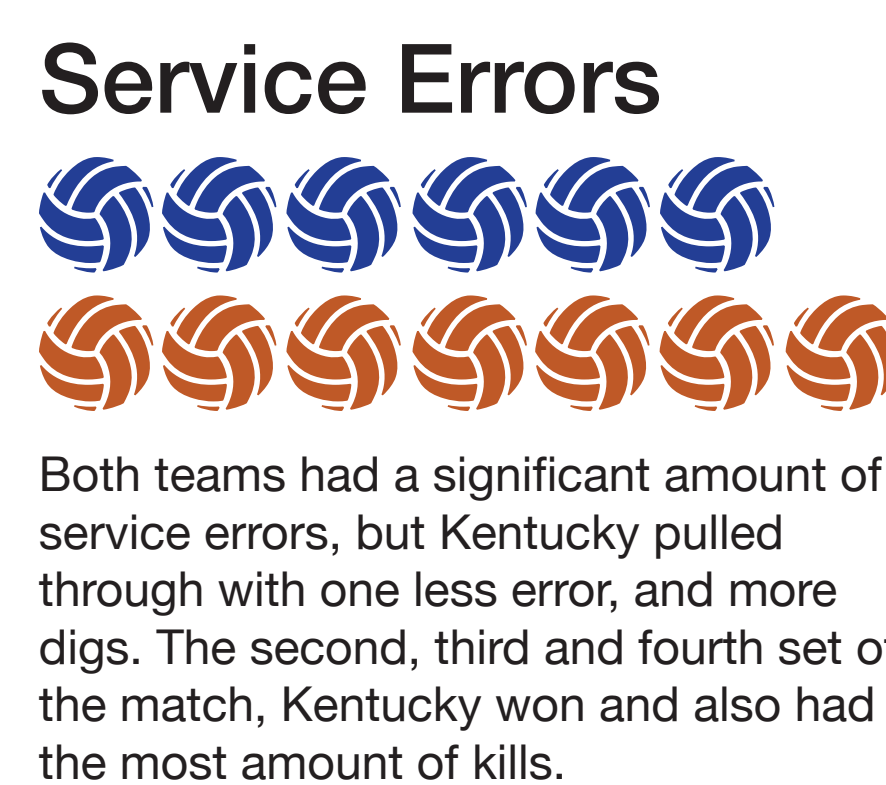
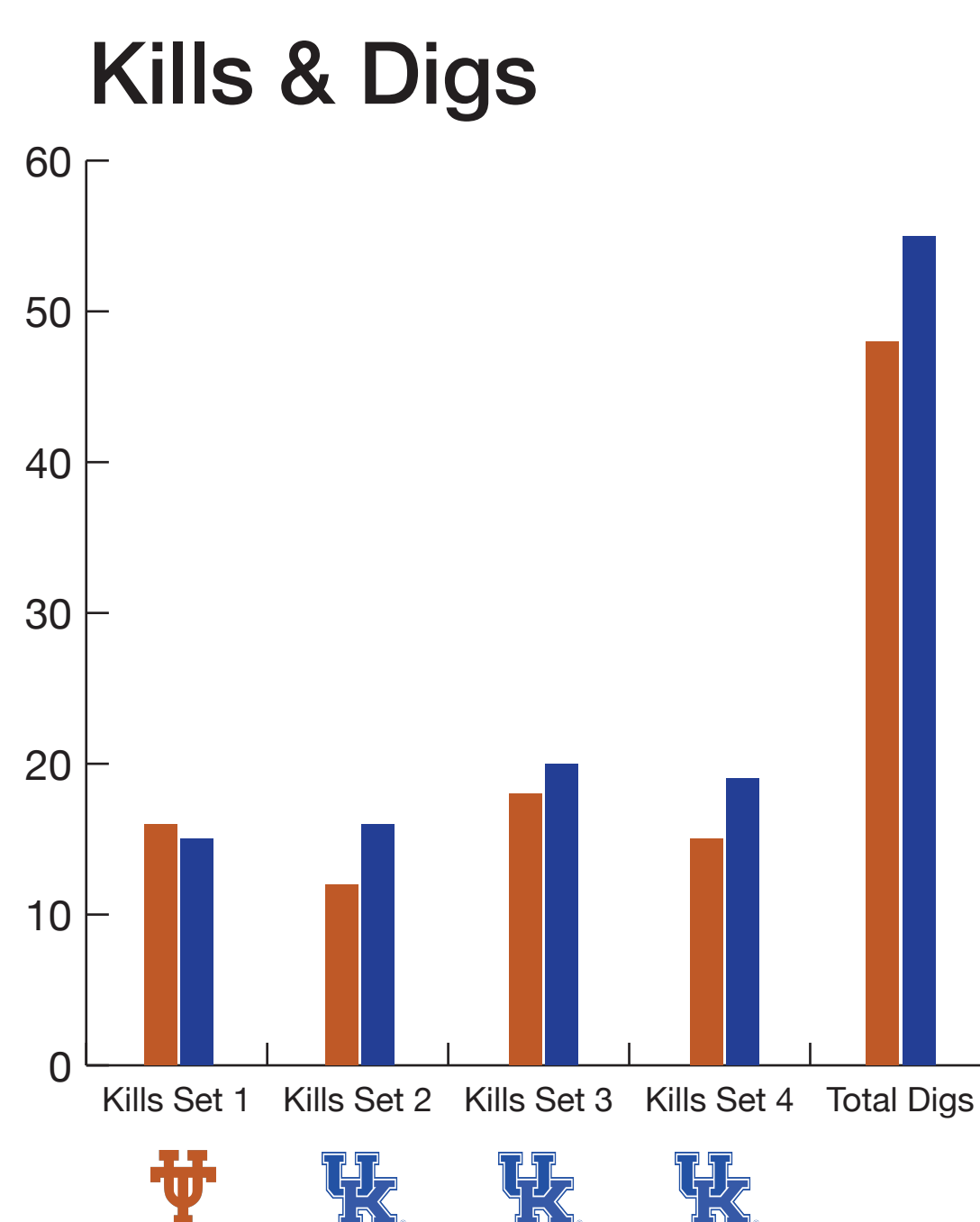
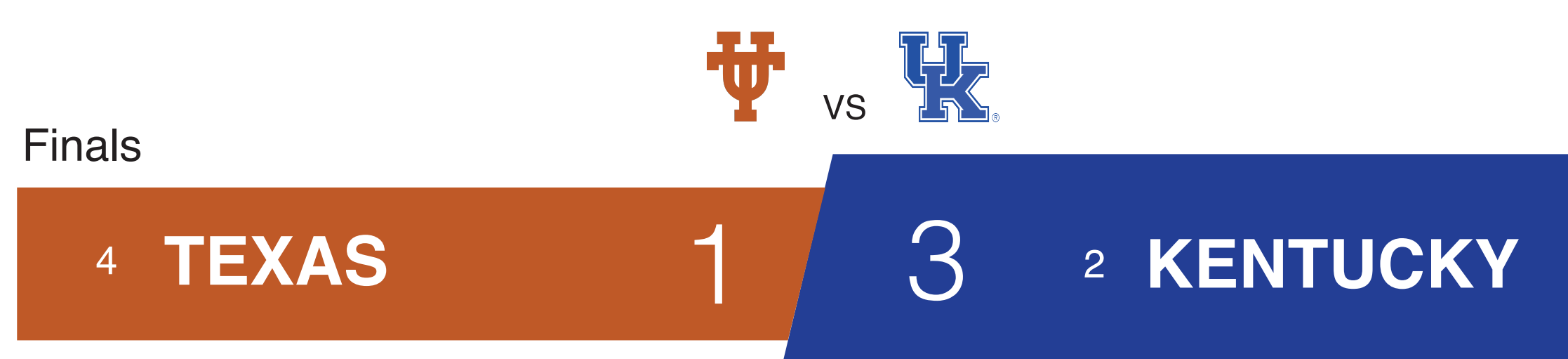
...BUT DOES IT?



Texas won all three sets having a higher hitting percentage in all. In Set 2, there is a bigger difference in hitting percentage that also resulted in a bigger difference in score.



In every set, Kentucky had a higher hitting percentage resulting in winning every set besides Set 2. They lost Set 2 by two, but it could have come down to the two service errors shown above.



Just like the number of Kills, Kentucky had the higher hitting percentage (besides Set 1) which led to them scoring more points and winning those sets where their hitting percentage was higher than Texas.

If you've played volleyball, you've heard the phrase, "defense wins championships," but does it? Some statistics that determine the success of a volleyball match are hitting percentages, the amount of kills, digs and service errors. Arguably, hitting percentages being the most important. The teams play the best of five games. In every winning set, the team that won will most likely have the highest hitting percentage, the most kills and digs, and the lowest amount of service errors. Of course there are other variables in the game of volleyball that influence points, but most if not all of these variables directly correlate to the success of a team getting a 'W' and going all the way to a championship.

Kills =
Digs =
Service errors =
Sets =
Match =
how many points in a game etc.