



# 2006-07 CHICAGO BULLS SEASON NOTES



<b>2006-07</b>	<b>Record:</b>	<b>Home:</b>	<b>Road:</b>	<b>OT:</b>
<b>Overall:</b>	49-33	31-10	18-23	2-2
<b>Eastern:</b>	36-16	22-4	14-12	2-1
<b>Western:</b>	13-17	9-6	4-11	0-1

**REGULAR SEASON STREAKS** Overall: Lost 1 Home: Won 3 Road: Lost 1

**TICKET MASTERS** Following up on similar success of seasons past, the Chicago Bulls were the hottest ticket in the NBA and sold out each of their 41 home games this season. **The Bulls averaged an NBA-best 22,253 per home game** at the United Center and was one of just four teams (also Detroit, Dallas & Cleveland) to average 20,000+ this season. Chicago's 912,364 total fans at home this season was also tops in the NBA and the fifth most in franchise history. **Beginning with the three home dates in the 2006 Playoffs, Chicago has sold out the UC in 44-straight games.**

**PRONUNCIATION GUIDE** Malik Allen (ma-LEEK), Martynas Andriuskevicius (Mar-teen-es An-droo-SKAV-ih-chis), Luol Deng (Lu-owl Dang), Chris Duhon (Du-Hon), Kirk Hinrich (HINE-rick), Viktor Khryapa (Veek-tor KREE-ah-pah), Andrés Nocioni (an-dreis No-SEE-oni), Thabo Sefolosha (TAH-bow Sef-o-LOSH-a), Tyrus Thomas (TIE-rus).

**2006-07 TRANSACTIONS** Acquired the draft rights to No. 4 pick Tyrus Thomas & Viktor Khryapa from Portland in exchange for the draft rights to No. 2 pick LaMarcus Aldridge and a future second-round pick (06/28) ...acquired the draft rights to No. 13 pick Thabo Sefolosha from Philadelphia for the draft rights to No. 16 pick Rodney Carney, New York's 2007 second-round pick and cash (06/28) ... named Jim Paxson Consultant (07/05) ... waived Othella Harrington (07/07) ... signed free agent Ben Wallace (07/13) ... acquired P.J. Brown and J.R. Smith from Hornets in exchange for Tyson Chandler (07/14) ... traded J.R. Smith to Denver in exchange for Howard Easley and a 2007 second-round draft choice (07/20) ... requested waivers on Howard Easley (07/21) ... signed free agent Adrian Griffin (07/31) ... signed draft picks Thabo Sefolosha and Tyrus Thomas (08/01) ... acquired Martynas Andriuskevicius from Cleveland in exchange for Eddie Basden (08/18) ... waived Eric Chenowith (10/06) ... waived Scott Merritt (10/10) ... waived Jeff Varem (10/12) ... picked up fourth-year option on Luol Deng, Ben Gordon and Viktor Khryapa (10/24) ... waived Luke Schenscher (10/30) ... signed Kirk Hinrich to a contract extension (10/31) ... assigned Martynas Andriuskevicius to the D-League (12/11).

OCTOBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL
31 @ MIA, W 108-66	1 @ NOK, W 111-108	2 vs. PHO, L 96-97	2 @ SEA, W 107-101	2 vs. NOK, W 104-93	1 @ ATL, W 105-97
	2 vs. WAS, W 112-94	5 @ NJ, L 86-91	3 @ POR, W 88-86	4 @ MIL, W 126-121OT	4 @ DET, W 106-88
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	4 vs. BOS, W 100-82	6 vs. DET, W 106-89	5 @ UT, L 95-100	7 @ MIA, L 103-70	6 vs. NJ, W 105-74
1 @ ORL, L 94-109	6 vs. PHI, W 121-94	8 vs. HOU, L 77-84	8 @ SAC, L 77-86	8 @ ORL, W 100-76	8 @ TOR, L 89-103
3 vs. SAC, L 88-89	8 vs. TOR, W 93-90	10 @ WAS, L 103-113	9 @ GS, L 121-123 OT	11 @ BOS, W 94-78	10 vs. NY, W 98-69
6 vs. MIL, W 110-85	9 vs. MIN, L 81-91	11 vs. NJ, L 83-86	11 @ PHO, W 116-103	13 vs. BOS, W 95-87	13 vs. CHA, W 100-81
9 @ CLE, L 94-113	11 vs. IND, W 106-91	13 vs. MEM, W 111-66	13 vs. TOR, L 111-112	14 @ PHI, W 88-87	15 @ WAS, W 101-68
11 vs. IND, W 89-80	13 vs. SEA, W 99-84	15 vs. SA, W 99-87	14 @ CHA, L 85-100	17 @ MEM, L 103-104	18 @ NJ, L 97-106
14 @ DAL, L 99-111	15 vs. MIL, W 117-111	17 @ MIL, W 99-90	20 vs. ATL, W 106-81	20 vs. LAC, L 89-103	
16 @ HOU, L 100-101	16 @ ATL, W 106-104 OT	20 vs. UT, L 85-95	22 @ CLE, W 84-78	22 vs. DEN, W 109-108	
17 @ SA, L 83-100	19 vs. LAL, W 94-89	22 @ IND, L 91-98	23 vs. WAS, W 105-90	25 @ IND, W 92-90	
19 @ LAL, L 72-82	22 @ NY, L 92-103	23 vs. ATL, W 94-86	25 @ DET, L 93-95	26 vs. POR, W 100-89	
21 @ DEN, L 109-113	23 vs. CHA, W 115-76	25 vs. DAL, W 96-85	26 vs. ORL, L 87-94	29 vs. DET, W 83-81	
24 @ PHI, L 108-123	26 @ MIN, L 98-100	27 vs. MIA, W 100-97	28 vs. GS, W 113-83	31 vs. CLE, L 108-112 OT	
25 @ NY, W 106-95	27 vs. MIA, W 109-103	31 @ LAC, L 98-110			
28 vs. NY, W 102-85	29 @ TOR, W 107-97				
	30 vs. CLE, W 103-96				

**PLAYOFF PUSH** Over the last two seasons, Chicago has become one of the most lethal teams in the NBA following the All-Star break. Including this season, the Bulls have gone 59-32 (.648) following the All-Star break in the last three years (2004-05, 2005-06 & 2006-07). Below is a breakdown of the Bulls' post All-Star play in 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2007-07: *(statistical assistance provided by Stats, Inc.)*

SEASON	BEFORE ALL-STAR	AFTER ALL-STAR	FINAL RECORD	DIVISION FINISH
2004-05	26-23 (.531)	21-12 (.636)	47-35 (.573)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
2005-06	23-29 (.442)	18-12 (.600)	41-41 (.500)	4 <sup>th</sup>
2006-07	29-25 (.537)	20-8 (.714)	---	---

**DIVISION BY SUBTRACTION** With each team in the Central Division playing their Central foes four times (16 total divisional contests), the Bulls made the most of their match ups against the other teams in their division. Chicago finished the season with the best Central Divisional record at 12-4 (CLE: 10-6, DET: 9-7, IND: 8-8 and MIL: 1-15).

**SEASONS OF CHANGE** The Bulls enjoyed one of the franchise's best seasons in recent history with a record of 49-32. The 49 wins is the most for Chicago since its 1997-98 Championship season when the Bulls finished an NBA-best 62-20 (tied Utah) and eventually captured the club's sixth, and most recent, NBA title.

**SHUT 'EM DOWN** For three years now, the Bulls have been among the NBA's best in lowest opponent field goal percentage. Last season, Chicago limited foes to just .426 shooting. In 2004-05, the Bulls held opponents to a franchise record .422 field goal percentage. This season, the Bulls finished second in the league in opponent field goal percentage at .435. Prior to Chicago's two-year hold on the category, the last team to lead the NBA in lowest opponent field goal percentage in back-to-back seasons was San Antonio in 1997-98 and 1998-99. The New York Knicks are the last team to lead the NBA in defensive field goal percentage for three straight seasons (1992-93 through 1994-95).

**CENTURY CLUB** Entering this season, there was talk that the Bulls did not have enough offensive fire power. However, Chicago finished the 2006-07 campaign with its greatest points per game average since the 1996-97 team averaged 103.1 points per show. This season, the Bulls averaged 98.8 ppg – the fourth-most points per game in the Eastern Conference and 13<sup>th</sup> highest in the NBA. The Bulls also scored 100+ points 41 times this season and went 33-8 when they topped the century mark. The 41 games of 100+ points this season was the most games over the century mark by a Bulls squad since the 1996-97 team scored 100+ points 52 times.

**BENCH MARK** Chicago's bench has been one of the NBA's deepest and most dependable over the last three seasons. During the 2004-05, Chicago had the NBA's most productive bench after averaging 40.2 ppg behind the high-octane play of rookie and eventual Sixth Man Award winner Ben Gordon's 15.1 ppg. Then in 2005-06, the Bulls reserves ranked second in the NBA with an average of 38.8 ppg. This season, Chicago's bench contributed (2551 points) 31.1 ppg – sixth in the League. The Chicago subs totaled 50+ points 10 times in 2006-07, including a season-best 64 points in a 121-94 win over Philadelphia on Dec. 6, 2006.

**THE EAST'S BEAST** The United Center has become a not so friendly arena for visiting teams, especially Eastern Conference teams. Not only did the Bulls finish with one of the best home court records in the NBA this season at 31-10, but they were also a remarkable 22-4 at home against Conference foes. Chicago's only home losses to an Eastern opponent this season were versus New Jersey (86-83) on Jan. 11, to Toronto (112-111) on Feb. 13, to Orlando (94-87) on Feb. 26 and to Cleveland (112-108 overtime) on March 31.

**100-100 CLUB** With two steals against Denver on March 22, Ben Wallace went over 100 steals this season, marking his seventh-straight season with 100 blocks and 100 steals. He is now the fifth player in NBA history to have posted such numbers. Others who have accomplished this are Hakeem Olajuwon (12 times), Julius Erving (seven times), Sam Lacey (seven times) and David Robinson (seven times).

**GETTING OFFENSIVE** Team captain Ben Wallace has been very offensive to opponents on the offensive glass this season. Not did he rank 2<sup>nd</sup> in the NBA with 3.9 offensive rebounds per game, but he also grabbed 5+ offensive caroms 28 times, including two games of 10+ offensive boards. At Denver (11/21) he tied his career-high 12 offensive rebounds (third time in his career) and finished with 16 total rebounds. His 12 offensive boards in that game are the most by a Bull since Elton Brand hauled in 12 offensive rebounds (19 total) on Jan. 17, 2001 at Philadelphia.

**AGING LIKE WINE** Luol Deng has been getting better and better since coming into the NBA at just 19 years old. Now in his third season, Deng is one of Chicago's top all-around talents and is the only Bull to start all 82 games this season. Below is a year-by-year breakdown of his production.

SEASON	G	GS	MPG	FG%	3FG%	FT%	ORPG	DRPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	PPG
2004-05	61	45	27.3	.434	.265	.741	1.5	3.8	5.3	2.2	0.79	0.44	11.7
2005-06	78	56	33.4	.463	.269	.750	1.6	5.0	6.6	1.9	0.92	0.64	14.3
2006-07	82	82	37.5	.517	.143	.777	1.8	5.3	7.1	2.5	1.18	0.59	18.8

**HOME COOKING** After finishing with a home record of 31-10 this season, the 2006-07 Bulls posted the most home wins in recent team history since they finished 37-4 (.902) at home during the 1997-98 season. The Bulls finished 27-14 (.659) at the UC in 2002-03 and again in 2004-05.

**20-20 VISION** After finishing with a season average of 21.4 points per game (15<sup>th</sup> in NBA), Ben Gordon is the first Bull to average over 20.0 points per contest since Jalen Rose averaged 22.1 points per show in the 2002-03 season. Furthermore, Gordon joins Rose (23.8 ppg in 2001-02 and 22.1 ppg in 2002-03) and Elton Brand (20.1 ppg in 1999-2000, 20.1 ppg in 2000-01) as the only Bulls to average 20+ points per game since 1997-98.

**START ME UP** Luol Deng was the only Bull to start all 82 games this season, making him the first Bull to start all 82 since Jalen Rose in 2002-03. Deng also joined Rose, Ron Harper (1997-98) and Michael Jordan (1997-98) as the only four Bulls players to start all 82 games in a season over the last 10 seasons. He would also become just the 15<sup>th</sup> player in franchise history to record 82 starts in a season (no one started all 50 games in the shortened 1998-99 season) since the NBA began keeping track of starts in the 1970-71 season. The 14 other Bulls (some in more than one season) include: B.J. Armstrong, Tom Boerwinkle, Dave Corzine, Artis Gilmore, David Greenwood, Ron Harper, Michael Jordan, Charles Oakley, John Paxson, Scottie Pippen, Jalen Rose, Ricky Sobers, Reggie Theus and Chet Walker.

**TRIPLE TEAMED** The Bulls trio of Luol Deng (1,540), Ben Gordon (1,753) and Kirk Hinrich (1,327) each tallied over 1,300 points this season. Not since the 1977-78 season has Chicago had three teammates each score 1,300+ points in the same season (Artis Gilmore, Wilbur Holland and Mickey Johnson). Deng, Gordon and Hinrich totaled (4,620) points this season, accounting for 57.0% of Chicago's offense.

**WIN SOME, LOSE SOME** The numbers don't lie. Here is a breakdown of Chicago's averages in its 49 wins versus in its 33 losses.

	PPG	FG%	3FG%	FT%	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG
<b>IN WINS (49)</b>	102.8	.477	.409	.734	45.5	24.0	8.00	5.96
<b>IN LOSSES (33)</b>	92.8	.428	.358	.733	40.9	19.8	7.48	4.64

**GORDON NETS TWO PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS** Twice this season Ben Gordon was named Eastern Conference Player of the Week. He first captured the award this season on January 29, 2007, after he posted an average of 26.8 ppg, 4.8 apg and 4.3 rpg and helped Chicago to a 3-1 week. He was then named the award's honoree again on April 16, 2007, after he averaged 24.3 ppg, 4.7 apg and 3.3 rpg, and led the Bulls to a 3-0 week. Gordon has now won the weekly accolade three times in his career (once in 2005-06) and is the only Bull to garner the award since Michael Jordan last claimed the honor for the week ending April 5, 1998.

**NOTE-A-BULL**

- The Bulls posted victories in 17 of their last 23 games overall and were 20-8 after the All-Star break.
- Chicago's tally of 49 wins this season tops the teams total win count from last season's squad that finished 41-41 and is two wins greater than the 2004-05 team which finished with a 47-35 record for the most in Chicago since the 1997-98 champion Bulls went 62-20.
- Chicago was one of six Eastern Conference teams (Detroit, Cleveland, Toronto, Miami, Washington are others) to finish with at least a .500 record. Three of the six reside in the Central Division.
- Chicago was 31-10 at the United Center this season, including an impressive 22-4 mark against the East
- Offensively, the Bulls finished second in the NBA in 3FG% (.388), 13<sup>th</sup> in points per game (98.8), eighth in assists per game (22.3) and 15<sup>th</sup> in FG% (.457). Chicago was also fourth in the NBA (first in the East) in point differential at +5.18 points.
- Defensively, Chicago was second in turnovers forced (17.4), second in opponents FG% (.435) and sixth fewest points per game (93.8).
- The Bulls led wire to wire in 10 games this season, including four of their final six outings.

**BACK-TO-BACK GAMES:** The Bulls had 21 back-to-back sets this season ... Here is a look at what the Bulls did in back-to-backs:

	FIRST GAME	PPG (total pts)	FG% (FG-FGA)	SECOND GAME	PPG (total pts)	FG-FGA
<b>BULLS</b>	9-12	97.6 (2050)	.456 (771-1690)	13-8	99.2 (2088)	.451 (773-1714)
<b>OPPONENTS</b>	12-9	98.8 (2075)	.452 (756-1674)	8-13	93.8 (1972)	.439 (720-1639)

	TEAM LEADER			DOUBLE-FIGURES					DOUBLE-DOUBLES	
	PTS	REB	AST	10+ PTS	20+ PTS	30+ PTS	10+ REB	10+ AST	PT/REB	PT/AST
Malik Allen				4						
M. Andriuskevicius										
Andre Barrett										
P.J. Brown		7		20			3		3	
Luol Deng	20	19	3	78	34	6	18		17	
Chris Duhon	1		19	24	1			2		1
Ben Gordon	39	1	14	69	53	15				
Adrian Griffin				2						
Kirk Hinrich	17	1	55	69	30	1	1	10	1	9
Viktor Khryapa			1	1						
Andrés Nocioni	6	10		36	11	2	9		8	
Thabo Sefolosha		1		6			1		1	
Michael Sweetney		1		2			1		1	
Tyrus Thomas	1	4		10	2		5		2	
Ben Wallace		51	7	17			48		14	

**BULLS SITUATIONAL RECORDS:**

Playing the Atlantic Division	11-7	Ben Gordon scores 20+ points	32-21
Playing the Central Division	12-4	Kirk Hinrich scores 20+ points	19-11
Playing the Southeast Division	13-5	Ben Wallace collects 15+ rebounds	10-4
Playing the Eastern Conference	36-16	Andrés Nocioni records a double-double	4-4
Playing the Northwest Division	5-5	Two players record double-doubles	5-2
Playing the Pacific Division	3-7	Ben Gordon hits 4+ three-pointers	9-7
Playing the Southwest Division	5-5	All five starters score 10+ points	2-2
Playing the Western Conference	13-17	On Sunday	6-3
Shooting .500 or better from the floor	14-3	On Monday	5-4
Outrebounding Opponents	38-11	On Tuesday	7-6
Bench Outscores Opponents Bench	32-19	On Wednesday	7-6
Outscoring Opponents in the Paint	29-13	On Thursday	6-3
Bulls score 100+ points	33-8	On Friday	9-5
Opponents score 100+ points	8-21	On Saturday	10-5

**GAMES MISSED DUE TO INJURY/ILLNESS:**

PLAYER	INJURY/ILLNESS	GAMES MISSED
Malik Allen	Flu	2 (12/01-12/02)
	Strained Left Calf	3 (01/11-01/13, 01/17)
	Irregular Heart Rate	1 (03/11)
Andre Barrett	Flu	1 (01/15)
P.J. Brown	Right Foot Plantar Fascia Strain	4 (12/13-12/19)
	Personal Reasons	1 (01/08)
	Back Spasms	1 (02/11)
	Left Knee Contusion	1 (03/02)
Chris Duhon	Bruised Left Thigh	1 (12/16)
Adrian Griffin	Right Calf Strain	7 (11/14-11/25)
	Lower back spasms	7 (03/31-04/06, 04/13-4/18)
Kirk Hinrich	Left Groin Strain	2 (12/30, 01/02)
Andrés Nocioni	Right Foot Plantar Fasciitis	28 (02/05-02/20, 02/23-04/06)
Michael Sweetney	Right Lower Leg Bruise	3 (01/22-01/25)
Tyrus Thomas	Broken Nose	1 (11/01)
	Flu	1 (04/06)
Ben Wallace	Lower back strain	2 (01/13-01/15)
	Left Knee Contusion	1 (01/31)
	Sinusitis	2 (04/06)
		<b>TOTAL = 69 GAMES</b>

**DNP-CD:** Allen (16), Barrett (6), Brown (3), Duhon (2), Griffin (13), Khryapa (27), Nocioni (1), Sefolosa (11), Sweetney (24), Thomas (8).

**DNP-NBA Suspension:** Nocioni (1).

**INACTIVE:** Allen (6), Andriuskevicius (82), Barrett (70), Brown (7), Duhon (2), Griffin (14), Hinrich (2), Khryapa (21), Nocioni (27), Sweetney (10), Thomas (1) and Wallace (3).

**2006-07 CHICAGO BULLS STARTING LINEUPS**

Game #	1	2	3	4	5	W-L
1-6, 40-45, 47-51, 53-60, 62-75, 78-82	Hinrich	Gordon	Deng	Brown	Wallace	26-18
7-23, 25-30, 33-37	Duhon	Hinrich	Deng	Nocioni	Wallace	15-13
24	Hinrich	Griffin	Deng	Nocioni	Wallace	1-0
31-32	Duhon	Sefolosa	Deng	Nocioni	Wallace	1-1
38-39	Hinrich	Gordon	Deng	Thomas	Brown	2-0
46	Hinrich	Gordon	Deng	Allen	Brown	0-1
52, 61	Hinrich	Gordon	Deng	Thomas	Wallace	2-0
76-77	Hinrich	Gordon	Sefolosa	Deng	Brown	2-0

**BLUEPRINT FOR THE 2006-07 CHICAGO BULLS**

**NBA DRAFT**

Kirk Hinrich Selected in the First Round (seventh overall) of NBA Draft 2003.  
 Ben Gordon Selected in the First Round (third overall) of NBA Draft 2004.  
 Chris Duhon Selected in the Second Round (38th overall) of NBA Draft 2004.

**VIA TRADE**

Luol Deng Draft rights were acquired from Phoenix for a future conditional first-round pick, the draft rights to Jackson Vroman (31st overall pick) and cash considerations (06/24/04).  
 Michael Sweetney Acquired from New York, along with Tim Thomas, Jermaine Jackson, two second-round picks and a conditional first round pick, in exchange for Eddy Curry and Antonio Davis (10/04/05).  
 Viktor Khryapa Acquired from Portland, along with the draft rights to Tyrus Thomas, for the draft rights to LaMarcus Aldridge (06/28/06).  
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 Thabo Sefolosa Draft rights were acquired from Philadelphia for the draft rights to Rodney Carney and cash considerations (06/28/06).  
 P.J. Brown Acquired from N.O./OKC, along with J.R. Smith, for Tyson Chandler (07/13/06).  
 Martynas Andriuskevicius Acquired from Cleveland in exchange for Eddie Basden (08/18/06).

**FREE AGENCY**

Andrés Nocioni Signed on 08/11/04.  
 Malik Allen Signed on 09/02/05.  
 Ben Wallace Signed on 07/13/06.  
 Adrian Griffin Signed on 07/31/06.  
 Andre Barrett Signed on 10/02/06.

## 2007 CHICAGO BULLS PLAYOFF NOTES



The 2007 NBA Playoffs marks Chicago's third-straight postseason appearance and its 28<sup>th</sup> overall as a franchise since its inception in 1966-67. Entering this postseason, the Bulls are 151-114 (.570) all time in the Playoffs and have also won the NBA Championship six times (1991, 1992, 1993, 1996, 1997, 1998). Chicago's six NBA titles are the third most by a franchise in NBA history (Boston has 16, Minneapolis/L.A. Lakers has 14). The Bulls own the NBA's best all time home playoff record (by percentage) at 102-32 (.761).

Chicago enters the 2007 Playoffs as the No. 5 seed in the Eastern Conference after finishing with a regular season record of 49-33 (.598). The last time Chicago was a No. 5 seed was in the 1995 Playoffs when the Bulls defeated the No. 4 seed Charlotte Hornets in four games (3-1) before falling to the No. 1 seed Orlando Magic in six games (2-4). Since the NBA's debut of an eight team playoff format in 1967, the 1993-94 Indiana Pacers are the only No. 5 seed in the Eastern Conference to advance to a Conference Finals and a No. 5 seed has never advanced to the Finals.

In each of their past three post-season appearances, the Bulls have been seeded lower than their final regular season record ranked in the Eastern Conference standings. In the 2005 Playoffs, Chicago earned the No. 4 seed after finishing with the Eastern Conference's third-best overall record (47-35). Last year, after their 41-41 finish was the sixth best in the East, the Bulls were seeded No. 7. This season, with the third best regular season mark (49-33) in the Conference, Chicago is the No. 5 seed.

### Previous NBA Playoffs experience on the 2006-07 Chicago Bulls coaching staff

Coaches – 168 games (Skiles-27\*, Boylan-35, Adams-58, Myers-36^, Wilhelm-12)

\*includes 25 games as a coach and two as a player

^includes 12 games as a coach and 24 as a player

### Previous NBA Playoffs experience on the 2006-07 Chicago Bulls roster

Players – 288 games (Allen-16, Andriuskevicius-0, Barrett-0, Brown-71, Deng-6, Duhon-12, Gordon-12, Griffin-44, Hinrich-12, Khryapa-0, Nocioni-12, Sefolosha-0, Sweetney-10, Thomas-0, Wallace-93)

### Previous championship experience (non-NBA) on the 2006-07 Chicago Bulls roster

Luol Deng – 2004 NCAA Final Four appearance Duke

Chris Duhon –NCAA Final Four appearances in 1999 and 2001, including the 2001 NCAA Championship, with Duke

Ben Gordon – 2004 NCAA Championship with Connecticut

Adrian Griffin – 2006 NBA Western Conference Champion with the Dallas Mavericks

Kirk Hinrich – 2002 & 2003 NCAA Final Four appearances with Kansas, 2006 FIBA World Championship bronze medalist with Team USA

Viktor Khryapa – 2004 Euroleague Final Four with CSKA Moscow

Andrés Nocioni – 2004 Olympic Champion and 2002 FIBA Men's World Championship silver medalist with the Argentinean National Team

Tyrus Thomas – 2005 NCAA Final Four with LSU

Ben Wallace – 2004 NBA Champion & 2005 Eastern Conference Champion with Detroit Pistons

## **2007 NBA PLAYOFF POOL**

The 2007 NBA Playoff pool is \$10 million and will be distributed to teams in the following manner:

Best Record in NBA:	\$288,421
Best Record in Conference, \$252,369 each:	\$504,737
Second Best Record in Conference, \$202,842 each:	\$405,684
Third Best Record in Conference, \$151,421 each:	\$302,842
Fourth Best Record in Conference, \$119,000 each:	\$238,000
Fifth Best record in Conference, \$99,158 each:	\$198,316
Sixth Best Record in Conference, \$67,632 each:	\$135,263
Teams Participating in First Round, \$149,243 each:	\$2,387,895
Teams Participating in Conference Semifinals, \$177,579 each:	\$1,420,632
Teams Participating in Conference Finals, \$293,447 each:	\$1,173,789
Losing Team, NBA Finals:	\$1,173,474
Winning Team, NBA Finals:	<u>\$1,770,947</u>
<b>Total Playoff Pool:</b>	<b>\$10,000,000</b>