

2024 Buffalo Bills Player Skill Assessment and Roster Analysis

Executive Summary

The 2024 Buffalo Bills completed a highly successful season, achieving an impressive 13-4-0 regular season record and clinching the AFC East Division title. Their postseason journey was marked by significant victories in the Wild Card Round against the Denver Broncos (31-7) and the Divisional Round against the Baltimore Ravens (27-25). The team's deep playoff run concluded with a narrow loss in the AFC Conference Championship to the Kansas City Chiefs (29-32).¹ This performance underscores a roster characterized by high resilience and capability, indicating that contributions extended beyond just star players to the entire unit.

The team's collective strength was prominently displayed in its top-tier statistical rankings. The Bills offense ranked 2nd in the league for Points For, tallying 525 points at an average of 30.9 points per game. Furthermore, the team demonstrated exceptional ball security, leading the league by committing only 8 turnovers throughout the season, with just 2 fumbles lost.¹ This report provides a detailed evaluation of each player, assigning a skill rating from 1 to 10 based on their 2024 performance, their specific role within the team, and their overall impact on the Bills' success.

The Bills' success was primarily anchored by an elite offensive production, spearheaded by quarterback Josh Allen and running back James Cook. This offensive prowess was effectively complemented by a disciplined and opportunistic defense that consistently excelled at forcing turnovers, a critical factor in their winning formula.

Introduction: The 2024 Buffalo Bills Season Overview

The 2024 Buffalo Bills concluded their regular season with an impressive 13-4-0 record, securing the top spot in the AFC East Division under the guidance of Head Coach Sean McDermott.¹ The offensive unit showcased remarkable efficiency, ranking 2nd in the league for Points For, accumulating 525 points at an average of 30.9 points per game. Concurrently, the defensive unit maintained a strong presence, ranking 11th in Points Against, allowing 368 points or 21.6 points per game.¹

The team demonstrated resilience and capability throughout the postseason. They decisively defeated the Denver Broncos 31-7 in the Wild Card Round and secured a hard-fought 27-25 victory over the Baltimore Ravens in the Divisional Round. Their championship aspirations culminated in a narrow 29-32 loss to the Kansas City Chiefs in the AFC Conference Championship.¹

A standout characteristic of the 2024 Bills was their exceptional ball security, ranking 1st in the league for fewest turnovers committed, with a total of only 8, including a mere

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2 fumbles lost.¹ On offense, they also led the league in Rushing Touchdowns, highlighting their remarkable efficiency near the goal line. Defensively, the team ranked 3rd in Turnovers Forced, showcasing their consistent ability to create game-changing plays.¹ This combination of offensive discipline and defensive opportunism was central to their success.

The Bills' top ranking in offensive turnovers and high offensive efficiency, coupled with their strong defensive turnover creation, points to a highly disciplined and high-execution approach across both units. This suggests that players who directly contributed to these specific metrics, such as quarterbacks with low interception rates, running backs with strong ball security, and defensive players adept at forcing turnovers, were particularly valuable to the team's winning formula. Their contributions to these critical team strengths are given significant weight in their individual skill assessments.

This report delves into the individual components of this successful team. Leveraging detailed statistics and roster information from the 2024 season, a comprehensive evaluation of each player is provided, including a skill rating from 1 to 10, their primary position, and a potential backup position. This analysis is presented in a comprehensive HTML table.

Methodology for Player Skill Assessment

The player skill assessment employs a multi-faceted approach, combining rigorous quantitative analysis with qualitative expert judgment. The 1-10 skill scale is designed to reflect a player's standing relative to their peers across the entire NFL, not merely within the Bills' roster.

Overall Approach

The evaluation is holistic, considering statistical performance, the player's specific role within the team's scheme, consistency throughout the season, their impact on overall team success, and their NFL experience. The 1-10 scale provides a granular assessment, where higher scores indicate elite, game-changing talent, and lower scores represent developmental or fringe roster players.

Key Quantitative Metrics

Performance data, primarily derived from the 2024 season statistics, forms the quantitative backbone of this assessment.¹

- **Offensive Skill Players (QB, RB, WR, TE):**

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- **Passing:** For quarterbacks, metrics such as passing yards, touchdowns, interceptions, completion percentage, passer rating, and QBR are critical. Josh Allen's league-leading QBR of 77.3 is a particularly strong indicator of his efficiency and overall impact.¹
- **Rushing:** For running backs and quarterbacks, rushing yards, touchdowns, and yards per attempt are evaluated. James Cook's 1009 rushing yards and 16 touchdowns highlight his exceptional ground game.¹
- **Receiving:** For wide receivers and tight ends, receptions, receiving yards, and touchdowns are key. Khalil Shakir's 76 receptions for 821 yards and 4 touchdowns, and rookie Keon Coleman's 556 yards and 4 touchdowns, demonstrate significant contributions.¹
- **Defensive Players (DL, LB, DB):**
 - **Pass Rush:** Sacks and forced fumbles are primary indicators of a player's ability to disrupt the opposing passing game. Gregory Rousseau's 8.0 sacks and 3 forced fumbles are notable.¹
 - **Coverage/Ball Production:** Interceptions, fumble recoveries, and implied pass deflections (derived from turnovers) are crucial. Christian Benford, Damar Hamlin, Terrel Bernard, and Taron Johnson each recorded multiple interceptions, directly contributing to the team's defensive strength.¹
 - **Tackling:** Combined tackles indicate a player's involvement in stopping offensive drives. Dorian Williams (117) and Terrel Bernard (104) were among the team's tackle leaders.¹
- **Games Played/Started:** This metric indicates a player's durability, consistent presence on the field, and their established role within the team. For players without detailed statistics, this often serves as the primary indicator of their contribution.¹

Qualitative Factors

Beyond raw numbers, several qualitative factors refine the skill assessment:

- **Role & Impact:** The player's significance to the team's strategic success is considered, differentiating, for example, the influence of a starting quarterback from that of a rotational defensive lineman.

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- **Consistency:** Sustained high-level performance throughout the demanding 17-game regular season is valued.
- **ProBowl Selections:** Players explicitly recognized as ProBowl selections, such as Josh Allen, James Cook, Dion Dawkins, and Connor McGovern, are automatically considered top-tier due to their league-wide recognition and consistent elite performance.² This external validation serves as a strong objective anchor for their high skill ratings. The absence of such a designation for other high-performing starters means their skill is assessed purely on internal statistics and their direct impact on team success, creating a subtle tiering even among starters.
- **Experience & Potential:** Rookie status combined with strong performance, exemplified by players like Keon Coleman, Ray Davis, O'Cyrus Torrence, Dorian Williams, Cole Bishop, and DeWayne Carter, indicates high future potential.² Conversely, veteran experience often signifies reliability and consistent execution.
- **Depth Contribution:** Players who may not be starters but provide crucial depth, versatility, or significant special teams value are recognized for their contributions to overall team resilience.

Skill Scale Interpretation (1-10)

- **10 (Elite/Franchise Cornerstone):** Top 1-2 at their position league-wide. A true game-changer who elevates the entire team.
- **9 (ProBowl Caliber):** Top 5-10 at their position. Consistent high-level impact player, recognized across the league.
- **8 (High-Quality Starter):** Top 10-20 at their position. Reliable, consistent, and impactful starter.
- **7 (Solid Starter):** An effective starter who consistently plays a significant role.
- **6 (Average Starter/High-End Backup):** Can step in and start if needed, or provides excellent, reliable depth.
- **5 (Solid Backup/Rotational Player):** Reliable depth, contributes effectively in specific packages or on special teams.
- **4 (Developmental/Special Teams Contributor):** Primarily contributes on special teams or is developing for a future role.

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- **3 (Practice Squad/Fringe Roster):** Possesses potential but is largely unproven at the NFL level.
- **2 (Camp Body/Raw Prospect):** A long-shot candidate, requiring significant development.
- **1 (Minimal Impact):** Likely to be released or has minimal impact on the active roster.

Handling Missing Data

For "Age," if the provided information indicates "N/A" or a non-numerical value (e.g., "2024"), it is listed as "N/A" in the table.³ For "Games," if specific Games Played (GP) or Games Started (GS) are not available for a player in the provided information ¹, it is marked as "N/A." The explicit statement that a full roster table with total games played is unavailable from

pro-football-reference.com means many non-key players will have "N/A" for this column.² This discrepancy in "Games" data across various sources highlights a challenge in obtaining a complete, consistent dataset for every player, particularly for those not in starting roles or with detailed statistics. For many non-starter players, their "Games" metric will be an approximation or unavailable, which slightly impacts the precision of their skill assessment, placing more reliance on their listed role and general NFL experience.

2024 Buffalo Bills Player Roster & Skill Evaluation

This section presents the core findings of the report in an HTML formatted table, providing a comprehensive skill assessment for each player on the 2024 Buffalo Bills roster.

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Josh Allen	29	QB / Dual-Threat	17	10
James Cook	25	RB / Pass-Catching	16	9
Dion Dawkins	31	LT / OG	16 GS	9

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Connor McGovern	27	C / OG	16 GS	9
Gregory Rousseau	24	RDE / EDGE	16	8
Ed Oliver	27	LDT / DT	14 GS	8
Terrel Bernard	26	MLB / LB	13	8
Christian Benford	24	RCB / CB	15	8
Taron Johnson	28	CB / Slot	12	8
A.J. Epenesa	26	LDE / DE	17	7
Mack Hollins	31	WR / Red-Zone	17	7
Khalil Shakir	25	WR / Slot	15	7
Keon Coleman	22	WR / Possession	13	7
Dalton Kincaid	25	TE / Pass-Catching	13	7
Dawson Knox	28	TE / Blocking	16	7
David Edwards	28	LG / OG	16 GS	7
O'Cyrus Torrence	24	RG / OG	16 GS	7
Spencer Brown	27	RT / OG	15 GS	7

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
DaQuan Jones	33	RDT / DT	16 GS	7
Rasul Douglas	29	LCB / CB	15 GS	7
Damar Hamlin	27	SS / S	14	7
Taylor Rapp	27	FS / S	14 GS	7
Dorian Williams	24	RLB / Coverage LB	17	6
Von Miller	30	LB / EDGE	13	6
Matt Milano	30	LB / Coverage LB	N/A	6
Tyler Bass	28	K	N/A	6
Reid Ferguson	31	LS	N/A	6
Jake Camarda	26	P	N/A	6
Mitchell Trubisky	30	QB / Backup	9	5
Ray Davis	25	RB / Power	17	5
Ty Johnson	27	RB / Receiving	17	5
Reggie Gilliam	27	FB / H-Back	N/A	5
Amari Cooper	N/A	WR / Veteran	8	5

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Curtis Samuel	28	WR / Versatile	14	5
Cole Bishop	22	S / Box Safety	N/A	5
DeWayne Carter	24	DT / Rotational	N/A	5
Shane Buechele	27	QB / Developmental	N/A	4
Darrynton Evans	27	RB / Special Teams	N/A	4
Frank Gore Jr.	23	RB / Developmental	N/A	4
Darrick Forrest	26	S / Special Teams	N/A	4
Zion Logue	22	DT / Developmental	N/A	4
Landon Jackson	22	EDGE / Developmental	N/A	4
Michael Hoecht	27	DE / Rotational	N/A	4
Marcus Harris	24	DT / Rotational	N/A	4
Dawuane Smoot	N/A	DE / Rotational	N/A	4
Javon Solomon	N/A	LB / Pass Rush	N/A	4
Casey Toohill	N/A	DE / Rotational	N/A	4
Marquez Valdes-Scantling	N/A	WR / Deep Threat	N/A	4

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Elijah Moore	25	WR / Slot	N/A	4
K.J. Hamler	26	WR / Speed	N/A	4
Zach Davidson	26	TE / Developmental	N/A	4
Jackson Hawes	24	TE / Developmental	N/A	4
Keleki Latu	22	TE / Developmental	N/A	4
Alec Anderson	25	T / Swing Tackle	N/A	4
Travis Clayton	24	OT / Developmental	N/A	4
Tylan Grable	25	T / Developmental	N/A	4
Kendrick Green	26	C / OG	N/A	4
Jacob Bayer	22	C / Developmental	N/A	4
Richard Gouraige	26	OT / Developmental	N/A	4
Chase Lundt	25	OT / Developmental	N/A	4
Joe Andreessen	25	LB / Special Teams	N/A	4
Baylon Spector	26	LB / Special Teams	N/A	4
Edefuan Ulofoshio	25	LB / Developmental	N/A	4

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Brandon Codrington	24	CB / Returner	N/A	4
Te'Cory Couch	25	DB / Developmental	N/A	4
Maxwell Hairston	21	CB / Developmental	N/A	4
Jordan Hancock	21	DB / Developmental	N/A	4
Daequan Hardy	24	CB / Developmental	N/A	4
Ja'Marcus Ingram	27	CB / Special Teams	N/A	4
Dane Jackson	28	CB / Backup	N/A	4
Cam Lewis	28	DB / Versatile	N/A	4
Kaiir Elam	N/A	CB / Developmental	N/A	4
Mike Edwards	26	S / Rotational	N/A	4
Austin Johnson	N/A	DT / Rotational	N/A	4
Sam Martin	N/A	P / Backup	N/A	4
Quintin Morris	N/A	TE / Developmental	N/A	4
Nicholas Morrow	N/A	LB / Rotational	N/A	4
Larry Ogunjobi	31	DT / Rotational	N/A	4

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
Joey Bosa	30	DE / Edge	N/A	4
Kelly Akharaiyi	N/A	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
Stephen Gosnell	N/A	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
Hayden Harris	N/A	DE / Developmental	N/A	3
K. Jenkins	N/A	LB / Developmental	N/A	3
D. Porter	N/A	CB / Developmental	N/A	3
T. Wilson	N/A	CB / Developmental	N/A	3
W. Owens	N/A	S / Developmental	N/A	3
B. Robbins	26	P / Backup	N/A	3
S. Thompson	31	LB / Special Teams	N/A	3
J. Palmer	25	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
K. Prather	22	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
L. Shenault Jr.	26	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
K. Wilkerson	28	WR / Developmental	N/A	3
T. Shavers	25	WR / Developmental	N/A	3

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Name	Age	Pos	Games	Skill
D. Strong	23	CB / Developmental	N/A	3

Key Player Analysis

Beyond the tabular data, a deeper examination of the performance of key players illuminates their specific contributions and profound impact on the 2024 Buffalo Bills' success.

Josh Allen (Quarterback)

Josh Allen's 2024 season solidified his position as an elite NFL quarterback. He completed 307 of 483 passes (63.6%) for 3731 yards, throwing 28 touchdowns against only 6 interceptions. His passer rating stood at an impressive 101.4, and his QBR of 77.3 was a league-leading figure.¹ Beyond his exceptional arm talent, Allen remained a potent rushing threat, adding 531 yards and 12 touchdowns on 102 attempts.¹ His outstanding performance earned him a ProBowl selection.²

Allen is unequivocally the engine of the Bills' offense, which ranked 2nd in the league for Points For.¹ His dual-threat capability forces opposing defenses to account for both his powerful arm and his elusive running ability, thereby creating significant opportunities for other offensive players. For a quarterback known for his aggressive playmaking and high-volume passing, his remarkably low interception total of 6 in 17 games is a testament to superior decision-making under pressure and excellent ball placement, minimizing opportunities for defensive takeaways. His league-leading QBR further validates his overall efficiency and impact on offensive drives. Given that the team's overall turnover count was exceptionally low (8 total, 2 fumbles lost), Allen's contribution to this metric is paramount, as the quarterback position is often the primary source of offensive turnovers. His 12 rushing touchdowns also demonstrate an ability to convert red-zone opportunities without resorting to riskier passing plays. This proficiency in ball security and decision-making directly underpins the Bills' league-best turnover differential, making him not just a statistical leader but a strategic asset who minimizes costly mistakes. His skill is not just in making plays, but in making the right plays and avoiding detrimental ones.

James Cook (Running Back)

James Cook experienced a breakout season, rushing for 1009 yards on 207 attempts and an impressive 16 touchdowns. He also made significant contributions in the

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passing game, recording 32 receptions for 258 yards and 2 touchdowns.¹ His exceptional performance earned him a ProBowl selection.²

Cook emerged as the primary ground threat for the Bills, playing a crucial role in their league-leading 1st rank in Rushing Touchdowns.¹ His versatility as both a runner and a receiver makes him a difficult matchup for defenses and a key component of the Bills' balanced offensive attack. While Cook's individual vision, agility, and ability to finish plays are undeniable, achieving 16 rushing touchdowns and leading the league as a team in this category requires more than just one player. This success necessitates a highly effective offensive line that consistently creates running lanes, particularly in condensed red-zone situations where space is limited. The fact that Dion Dawkins and Connor McGovern are ProBowl offensive linemen further supports the notion that the blocking upfront is elite.² David Edwards, O'Cyrus Torrence, and Spencer Brown also started a majority of games, indicating a cohesive and reliable unit.² The offensive scheme, Erhardt-Perkins, likely emphasizes a strong run game and effective goal-line packages.¹ Cook's impressive rushing touchdown count is a direct result of both his individual talent and the superior performance of the Bills' offensive line. This highlights a critical causal relationship: the offensive line's ability to dominate the line of scrimmage, especially in short-yardage and red-zone scenarios, directly enables Cook's scoring prowess. Therefore, the collective skill and execution of the offensive line are integral to maximizing the output of the running back, making the entire offensive front a significant contributor to the team's scoring efficiency.

Defensive Line & EDGE

The Bills' defensive line and edge rushers formed a formidable unit. Gregory Rousseau led the team with 8.0 sacks and added 3 forced fumbles. A.J. Epenesa contributed 6.0 sacks and 2 forced fumbles. Veteran Von Miller also recorded 6.0 sacks despite playing in only 13 games and having no starts.¹ Ed Oliver and DaQuan Jones anchored the interior, contributing 3.0 and 2.5 sacks respectively.²

This group formed a potent pass rush, contributing significantly to the Bills' defense ranking 3rd in Turnovers Forced.¹ Their collective ability to generate consistent pressure disrupted opposing quarterbacks and led to critical mistakes. The strong sack numbers from multiple players like Rousseau, Epenesa, and Miller, combined with interior pressure from Oliver and Jones, indicate a deep and effective pass-rushing rotation. When several players achieve significant sack totals, it is a strong indicator of a well-designed and executed pass-rushing scheme. The 4-3 defensive alignment allows for multiple defensive linemen to be on the field, creating various rush packages.¹ Miller's production in a rotational role highlights the effectiveness of the defensive coordinator,

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Bobby Babich, in deploying talent strategically.¹ This depth ensures that the pass rush remains consistent throughout the game, even as players rotate to stay fresh. It also prevents offenses from focusing solely on neutralizing one elite rusher. The Bills' pass rush success is a testament to both the individual talent of its defensive linemen and a sophisticated defensive scheme that leverages depth and strategic rotation. This collective approach to generating pressure makes the defensive line a significant strength, directly contributing to the team's ability to force turnovers and disrupt offensive rhythm.

Defensive Backs & Linebackers

This group was instrumental in the Bills' turnover-forcing success. Christian Benford recorded 2 interceptions and 2 forced fumbles. Damar Hamlin had 2 interceptions. Terrel Bernard contributed 2 interceptions and a fumble recovery. Taron Johnson had 2 interceptions, including one returned for a touchdown, along with 1 forced fumble and 1 fumble recovery, also returned for a touchdown.¹ Taylor Rapp also added 2 interceptions.² Dorian Williams led the team in combined tackles with 117 and recovered 3 fumbles.¹

Their playmaking ability directly contributed to the Bills' defense ranking 3rd in Turnovers Forced ¹ and 5th in Interceptions.¹ This opportunistic secondary and linebacker corps consistently created game-changing plays. The high number of interceptions and fumble recoveries across multiple defensive backs and linebackers directly correlates with the Bills' high ranking in turnovers forced and interceptions. While the Bills' defense was 17th in total yards allowed, their high turnover rate suggests a defensive strategy that may allow some yardage but tightens up in critical situations, focusing on generating turnovers.¹ This "bend-don't-break" approach means that while opponents might move the ball, the Bills' defense is designed to create game-changing plays through interceptions and fumbles. This requires highly disciplined coverage, aggressive pursuit, and a coaching emphasis on creating and capitalizing on turnover opportunities. The players' skill set in this context is not just about preventing yards, but about being opportunistic and having excellent ball skills. The Bills' defensive strength lies not in stifling every yard, but in their exceptional ability to generate turnovers, indicating a deliberate defensive philosophy and a roster of players highly skilled in creating takeaways. Their impact on game outcomes, therefore, is disproportionately high relative to their yardage allowed, making players who excel in forcing turnovers extremely valuable within this system.

Positional Group Strengths and Depth

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A detailed assessment of each positional group reveals the overall balance and depth of the 2024 Buffalo Bills roster, a testament to effective roster management.

Quarterback

The quarterback position is a clear strength, featuring an elite starter in Josh Allen, who is a true franchise cornerstone.¹ The team also possesses solid and experienced backups in Mitchell Trubisky, who played in 9 games ¹, and Shane Buechele ³, ensuring stability behind Allen. Mike White also saw limited action.¹

Running Back

The running back group is anchored by ProBowl starter James Cook, who provides explosive playmaking and versatility.¹ The team boasts strong and productive depth with Ray Davis, who recorded 442 rushing yards and 3 touchdowns in 17 games ¹, and Ty Johnson, with 213 rushing yards, 1 touchdown, and 284 receiving yards with 3 touchdowns in 17 games.¹ Reggie Gilliam provides a strong presence at fullback.³ Additional depth is provided by players like Darrynton Evans and Frank Gore Jr..⁴

Wide Receiver

The wide receiver corps is a diverse group demonstrating consistent production. Khalil Shakir contributed 821 yards and 4 touchdowns, while promising rookie Keon Coleman added 556 yards and 4 touchdowns.¹ Mack Hollins provided a veteran presence and red-zone threat with 378 yards and 5 touchdowns.¹ Amari Cooper and Curtis Samuel, despite playing fewer games, also contributed significantly.¹ The presence of multiple productive receivers despite the absence of a clear "alpha" receiver suggests a distributed passing attack. This indicates that Josh Allen is adept at spreading the ball and that the offensive scheme, Erhardt-Perkins, effectively creates opportunities for various targets, making the overall receiving corps a strength through collective contribution.¹ Players like Elijah Moore, K.J. Hamler, and Jalen Virgil add further depth and potential.⁴

Tight End

The tight end position features a strong duo in Dalton Kincaid, who had 44 receptions for 448 yards and 2 touchdowns, and Dawson Knox, with 22 receptions for 311 yards and 1 touchdown.¹ Kincaid, as a rookie, demonstrated immediate impact. Developmental depth is provided by Zach Davidson, Jackson Hawes, and Keleki Latu.⁴

Offensive Line

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The offensive line is a highly effective starting unit, featuring ProBowl talents Dion Dawkins at left tackle and Connor McGovern at center.² David Edwards at left guard, O'Cyrus Torrence at right guard, and Spencer Brown at right tackle were also consistent starters.² This unit was crucial to the Bills' strong rushing game and their remarkably low turnover rate.¹ Depth is provided by players such as Alec Anderson, Travis Clayton, Tylan Grable, Kendrick Green, and Jacob Bayer.³

Defensive Line (Interior & Edge)

The defensive line provides excellent pass rush from the edges, with contributions from Rousseau, Epenesa, and Miller, complemented by a strong interior presence from Ed Oliver and DaQuan Jones.¹ The depth within this group allows for effective rotation and sustained pressure throughout games. DeWayne Carter, Marcus Harris, Michael Hoecht, Zion Logue, and Landon Jackson offer significant rotational depth.³

Linebackers

The starting linebacker unit is solid, featuring Terrel Bernard, who recorded 104 combined tackles and 2 interceptions, and Dorian Williams, who led the team with 117 combined tackles and 3 fumble recoveries.¹ The return and presence of Matt Milano also adds significant veteran leadership and skill.³ Valuable depth is provided by Joe Andreessen, Baylon Spector, and Edefuan Ulofoshio.³

Secondary (Cornerbacks & Safeties)

The secondary is a playmaking unit that excels at generating turnovers. Key contributors include Christian Benford, Damar Hamlin, Taron Johnson, and Taylor Rapp, all of whom recorded multiple interceptions or fumble recoveries.¹ Rasul Douglas also contributed as a consistent starter.² Reliable depth is provided by Dane Jackson, Cam Lewis, and Ja'Marcus Ingram.³

Special Teams

The special teams unit relies on key specialists such as kicker Tyler Bass, punter Jake Camarda, and long snapper Reid Ferguson.³ These players are critical contributors to field position and scoring, consistently performing their roles effectively.

The depth observed across multiple positions, including running back, wide receiver, and defensive line, suggests a well-managed roster that prioritizes sustainable talent development and strategic acquisitions through free agency and the draft. This indicates a long-term vision that extends beyond just a single season's success, contributing to the team's sustained competitiveness.

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Conclusion: Overall Roster Strength and Future Outlook

The 2024 Buffalo Bills showcased a roster of exceptional skill and depth, evidenced by their impressive 13-4 record and deep playoff run to the AFC Conference Championship.¹ The team achieved elite status in key metrics, including ranking 2nd in Points For and 1st in Turnovers, directly attributable to the high-level performance and discipline of its players.¹

The roster effectively blends undeniable elite talent, such as quarterback Josh Allen, running back James Cook, and ProBowl offensive linemen Dion Dawkins and Connor McGovern, with a strong supporting cast and effective rotational depth across both offensive and defensive units. The Bills' success was built upon a foundation of offensive efficiency, meticulous ball security, a relentless and deep pass rush, and an opportunistic secondary that consistently generated game-changing turnovers.

The core of the 2024 Bills roster appears strong and well-positioned for continued competitiveness. A significant number of key contributors, particularly on defense—including Gregory Rousseau (24), Christian Benford (24), Terrel Bernard (25), Dorian Williams (23), and Ed Oliver (27)—are relatively young.² This age profile indicates a young, ascending defensive core with significant room for continued development and sustained high-level play in future seasons. This potential growth could effectively offset the aging of veteran players like Von Miller (30) or DaQuan Jones (33).² This blend of established veterans and ascending young talent bodes well for the franchise's long-term prospects, suggesting the team is well-equipped for sustained success.