



## 23. Gordon Hayward

**NBA Projected Position: Small Forward**

**College: Butler (Sophomore)**

**Date of Birth: March 23, 1990 (20 years old)**

**Height/Weight: 6'8" / 211 lbs.**

**Handed: Right**

**NBA Comparison: Mike Dunleavy Jr.**

Season Averages														
SEASON	TEAM	MIN	PTS	REB	AST	TO	A/T	STL	BLK	PF	FG%	FT%	3P%	PPS
2008-2009	BUT	32.7	13.1	6.5	2.0	1.7	1.19	1.5	.9	2.0	.479	.815	.448	1.61
2009-2010	BUT	33.5	15.5	8.2	1.7	2.3	.73	1.1	.8	2.1	.464	.829	.294	1.53

Finishing	Mid-Range	3-pt Shot	Free Throws	Ball Handling	Driving	Passing	Defense	Rebounding	Athleticism	Conditioning	Size for Position	Length	Strength	Quickness	Speed	NBA Ready	Potential	Basketball IQ	Intangibles	Overall <b>7.45</b>
7	8	7	8	8	7	7	6	8	8	8	8	6	5	6	7	7	8	10	10	

### Strengths

- High skill level
- Getting to the free throw line
- Good rebounder
- Good footwork
- Size
- Getting to the free throw line
- Basketball IQ
- Good character
- Underrated athlete

### Weaknesses

- Varying 3-point percentages
- Strength
- Lateral quickness

Simply put, Gordon Hayward is one of the more fascinating prospects in this draft. Following Butler's surprising run to the National Championship game, Hayward decided to stay in the NBA draft. He is a very skilled basketball player that has very solid fundamentals. Offensively, Hayward has good ball handling skills and the ability to knock down shots from anywhere on the court. Between his freshman and sophomore year, he improved his rebounding greatly. Standing 6'8", Hayward has the height necessary to play small forward. He has a high basketball IQ and terrific character.

At this point, Hayward is not overwhelming in one area. As a freshman, he was a terrific perimeter shooter knocking down 45 percent, but that fell to under 30 percent as a sophomore. From looking at his frame, it is clear to see he needs to put on a lot of strength. Defense might be a problem in the NBA for Hayward due to his average lateral quickness and strength. I am not sure if his upside is as high as people think either.