

Joey Bosa

Height: 6'5" Weight: 269 Arms: 33.5"

DE Ohio State Rs-Jr.

Combine: **40 yd Dash:** 4.86 **3 Cone:** 6.89 **Vert:** 32"

**Pros:**

- Incredibly athletic defensive end
- Fluid hips, never loses speed
- Quick accelerator
- Strong hands and jolting on contact
- Power end who bowls through blockers
- Enough speed to threaten the edge
- Good run defender
- Plays with great leverage
- Pad level is generally excellent
- Keeps himself free of trash at line
- Great use of hands

**Cons:**

- Doesn't seem to be a natural pass rusher
- Doesn't threaten the corner as much
- Effort on pass rush was curious jr year
- Instincts are questionable
- Doesn't use all his natural gifts
- Slow reacting to plays at times
- Quicker more than fast

Joey Bosa will not be a premier pass rusher in the NFL. That may come as a shock to anyone who has been following his career or reading mock drafts about the redshirt junior Buckeye. Bosa is an exceptionally talented athlete who is big, quick and strong, but he lacks some key elements to his game to be a franchise pass rusher. Firstly, Bosa does not bend the corner as a pass rusher (that's when you lean on the tackle and shorten the angle to the quarterback). In fact, as a pass rusher he leaves a lot to be desired. Bosa is mostly a one-trick pony as a power rusher. He uses his long arms, great leverage and lower body strength to generate rush. While he has the quickness to make tackles look foolish, he doesn't utilize it enough for it to be considered a weapon. As a run defender he offers a lot in terms of his power at the point of attack, his consistent pad level and his effort. He's also played well in space when asked to at Ohio State. Shows the flexibility and fluid hips to play standing up as well. Top end speed and explosiveness to the football will be a problem at the next level if asked to cover in space. Bosa is certainly worth a 1<sup>st</sup> round pick, possibly even a top 10 pick, but he's not the franchise pass rusher he's been billed to be. He will be an excellent second option, but will never carry a defense.