

# TACO CHARLTON

## MICHIGAN

**Height:** 6'6"      **Weight:** 275      **Arms:** 34.25"

Combine:

**40 yd Dash:** 4.92      **3 Cone:** 4.39      **20 yd Shuttle:** 7.17      **Vert:** 33"

<u>Pros:</u>	<u>Cons:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Long Athlete, Prototype NFL Frame</li> <li>- Explosive first step with violent hands</li> <li>- Variety of moves, spin, rip, sets up tackle well</li> <li>- Violent hands, makes first contact</li> <li>- Explosive speed to the outside, threatens edge</li> <li>- Great bend around the edge</li> <li>- High end pass rusher traits</li> <li>- Shows aptitude to rush standing up</li> <li>- Enough athletic ability to play OLB</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Not lean, but doesn't have run stuffing power</li> <li>- Not twitchy, long strider</li> <li>- Struggles to disengage from bigger blockers</li> <li>- Inconsistent production for talent level</li> <li>- One year of full time starts, 15 in career</li> </ul>

**Summary:** Michigan's senior defensive end Taco Charlton finally broke the starting lineup in 2016 and delivered on the promise of his talent. Charlton racked up 9.5 sacks, 43 tackles, and 13 tackles for a loss this past year. Charlton was named a Big 10 First teamer for his efforts as well. Charlton has prototype NFL Size at 6'6" with a massive frame and long legs and arms. He's well-muscled and explosive as a pass rusher. The Pickerington native has an explosive first step and jarring hands that can jolt linemen that are not prepared. Charlton also shows a well-developed pass rushing game with a variety of moves. He does a good job setting up tackles with a variety of moves and has the flexibility and athleticism to bend the edge on edge protectors. While he's a top 10 pass rushing prospect, Charlton is doesn't have the same potential versus the run. He shows good fight, and can make plays with speed, but doesn't have the bulk in his long limbs to hold up versus more powerful tackles. He's also a streaky player who can be very inconsistent and hasn't always played up to his potential. That being said, the NFL is all about stopping the quarterback today. Charlton has all the earmarks of an elite-level pass rusher and he will be a first round draft pick this spring.