

# LEONARD FOURNETTE

LSU

Height: 6'1"      Weight: 240      Arms: 31.5"

Combine:

40 yd Dash: 4.51

3 Cone:

20 yd Shuttle:

Vert: 28.5"

<u>Pros:</u>	<u>Cons:</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NFL lead back size and power</li> <li>- Incredible agility and feet for a big back</li> <li>- Smooth runner with little wasted movement</li> <li>- Punishing runner who is a load to bring down</li> <li>- Can stop and start in an instant</li> <li>- Explosive player with great power</li> <li>- Outstanding physical specimen</li> <li>- Physical pass blocker</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lacks breakaway speed, but good speed</li> <li>- Serviceable hands</li> <li>- Injury history with ankles problems</li> <li>- Poor pass blocking technique</li> <li>- Not a huge threat in the open field</li> <li>- Needs to build a head of steam to break away</li> </ul>

Summary: Leonard Fournette is a remarkable athlete out of the backfield and one of the best running back prospects in several years. Few players have the physical makeup of Fournette, who is a rare combination of size, strength and speed. Fournette burst onto scene in 2015 as a true freshman, rushing for over 1,000 yards. The New Orleans native followed that up with an All-American season in 2015 with 1,953 yards and 22 touchdowns, which are both LSU single season records. This past season was by comparison, a disappointment. Fournette, a team captain this past year, only played in seven games, starting six. He had various injuries, including an ankle injury that sidelined him for nearly half the season. There are reports that the junior tailback has chronic ankle issues that will need to be addressed at some point in the future. It's not surprising, given his running style and size. When you break down Leonard Fournette's game, you cannot help but be impressed with his physical makeup first and foremost. He's a well-proportioned, powerful athlete with well-developed muscular structure throughout his body. At 230 pounds Fournette is sparingly light on his feet and can start and stop better than most big backs. He has good vision, patience and is a mauling runner. Fournette is a contact runner who will lower his shoulder and run through just about any defender, regardless of size. Despite his size, he does a good job getting skinny through the hole and sneaking out extra yards through areas that most players would struggle to find room. While he does have good speed, Fournette doesn't have a breakaway gear in the open field and takes a long runway to ramp up to his top speed. The biggest question with Leonard Fournette is, how long will his career be? Players that have that level of size and an upright running style, don't tend to last. Regardless of that, his talent is worthy of a first round grade if his health checks out.