

MINNESOTA UNITED FC GAME NOTES

Minnesota United FC @ Seattle Sounders FC | Lumen Field | Seattle, Washington | September 26, 2026 | MLS Regular Season - Match 27
Kickoff: 7:30 p.m. CT | Apple TV | @MNUFC



2026 MLS Record (W-L-D):7-11-8
2026 Western Conference Standings:..... 14th
Head Coach: Cameron Knowles (9-10-9)
Asst. Coach: Josh Wolff
Asst. Coach: Danny Cruz
Asst. Coach: Tom Soehn
Goalkeeper Coach:.....Cristiano Costa

MINNESOTA UNITED FC ROSTER

1	Alec Smir	Goalkeeper
2	Devin Padelford	Defender
3	Kyle Duncan	Defender
5	Nicolás Romero	Defender
6	Peter Stroud	Midfielder
7	Dominik Fitz	Midfielder
8	Tomás Chancalay	Forward
9	Kelvin Yeboah	Forward
11	Maurice Malone	Forward
12	Drake Callender	Goalkeeper
13	Anthony Markanich	Defender
14	Kenyel Michel*	Forward
15	Michael Boxall	Defender
16	Aziel Jackson	Midfielder
17	Darius Randell	Forward
18	Mauricio González	Forward
19	Britton Fischer*	Defender
20	Wil Trapp	Midfielder
21	Bongokuhle Hlongwane	Forward
22	Marcus Caldeira	Forward
23	Morris Duggan	Defender
24	Julian Gressel	Defender
25	Nectarios Triantis	Midfielder
26	Joaquín Pereyra	Midfielder
27	D.J. Taylor	Defender
28	Jefferson Diaz	Defender
29	Mamadou Dieng	Forward
30	Owen Gene	Midfielder
33	Kieran Chandler	Defender
67	Carlos Harvey	Midfielder
94	Kayne Rizvanovich	Goalkeeper
99	Jordan Adebayo-Smith	Forward



2026 MLS Record (W-L-D):8-9-8
2026 Western Conference Standings:.....13th
Head Coach:Brian Schmetzer (149-98-86)
Asst. Coach: Predrag Radosavljević
Asst. Coach: Nick Theslof
Asst. Coach: Ricardo Clark
Goalkeeper Coach: Tom Dutra

SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC ROSTER

4	Ryan Sailor	Defender
5	Nouhou Tolo	Defender
7	Cristian Roldan	Midfielder
8	Caden Clark	Midfielder
9	Dejan Joveljić	Forward
10	Pedro de la Vega	Midfielder
11	Albert Rusnak	Midfielder
13	Jordan Morris	Forward
14	Paul Rothrock	Midfielder
16	Alex Roldan	Midfielder
17	Paul Arriola	Midfielder
19	Danny Musovski	Forward
20	Kim Kee-Hee	Defender
24	Stefan Frei	Goalkeeper
25	Jackson Ragen	Defender
26	Andrew Thomas	Goalkeeper
27	Jesus Ferreira	Forward
28	Yeimar Gomez Andrade	Defender
30	Edson Carli	Midfielder
31	Hassani Dotson	Midfielder
35	Antino Lopez	Defender
36	Yu Tsukanome	Forward
37	Snyder Brunell	Midfielder
39	Stuart Hawkins	Defender
42	Rafael Jauregui	Midfielder
44	Nikola Petkovic	Midfielder
45	Peter Kingston	Midfielder
50	Max Anchor	Goalkeeper
53	Gallatin Sandnes	Defender
84	Charlie Gaffney	Midfielder
85	Kalani Kossa-Rienzi	Midfielder
90	Sebastian Gomez	Midfielder
95	Osaze De Rosario	Forward

* Player on loan | ^ Short-term agreement

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LAST TIME OUT | Minnesota United vs. LA Galaxy | Allianz Field | September 19, 2026 | MLS Regular Season - Match 26

LATE GALAXY COMEBACK SINKS LOONS

Minnesota United fell 3-2 to the LA Galaxy at Allianz Field. After Pablo Ruiz opened the scoring for the visitors in the 12th minute, Marcus Caldeira brought the Loons level in the 23rd with a header off a Wil Trapp cross, marking MNUFC's 300th home goal across all competitions. Kelvin Yeboah then converted from the penalty spot in the 30th minute to give Minnesota a 2-1 advantage entering halftime. The Galaxy rallied late in the second half, with João Klauss equalizing in the 76th minute before Marco Reus scored the game-winning goal in the 80th to secure the 3-2 result

MIN Starting XI vs. LAG



MIN Substitutes:

In:
67' - Tomás Chancalay
73' - Jefferson Diaz
81' - Nectarios Triantis
81' - Maurice Malone

Out:
67' - Kelvin Yeboah
73' - Morris Duggan
81' - Wil Trapp
81' - Marcus Caldeira

Unused Subs: Alec Smir, Mauricio Gonzalez, D.J. Taylor, Bongokuhle Hlongwane, Azriel Jackson

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CRUCIAL POINTS ON THE LINE AGAINST LA GALAXY

Minnesota United travels to the Pacific Northwest to face Seattle Sounders FC. The Loons will look to replicate their historic success in Seattle from last season, when they earned their first-ever road victory against the Sounders, a 3-2 win at Lumen Field on June 1, 2025. Minnesota has won just once in nine regular-season visits to Seattle, making Saturday's matchup another opportunity to secure a crucial result on the road as the regular season enters its final stretch.

Series History vs. SEA

3-12-3 (14 GF, 32 GA)

Home Record

2-4-3 (8 GF, 13 GA)

Road Record

1-8-0 (6 GF, 19 GA)

Post Season Record

0-2-2 (7 GF, 10 GA)

*all records are written in W-L-D format

Minnesota United Absences (as of Sept. 20)

Loaned Out

Wessel Speel (Almere City FC)
Hoyeon Jung (Suwon Samsung Bluewings FC)
Britton Fischer (Hartford Athletic)
Kenyel Michel (LD Alajuelense)
Dominik Fitz (Wolfsberger AC)
Devin Padelford (New York Red Bulls)

Season-Ending Injury

None

International Call-ups

Alec Smir - Jordan
Carlos Harvey - Panama
Nectarios Triantis - Greece
Darius Randell - U.S. U-20 MNT
Kayne Rizvanovich - U.S. U-20 MNT

MIN	HOW THE TEAMS COMPARE IN 2026	SEA
7-11-8	Record (W-L-D)	8-9-8
29	Points	32
14th West	Position	10
39	Goals Scored	30
6	Goals Against	33
45	Assists	36
345	Shots	341
126	Shots on Goal	124
331	Fouls Conceded	258
308	Fouls Suffered	256
45	Offsides	40
140	Corner Kicks	127
3	PK Scored	2
4	PK Attempts	3
5	Clean Sheets	7

MLS & Liga MX stats only | MLS Regular Season | Does not include playoffs

MNUFC DISCIPLINARY REPORT

Suspended: None

Suspended after next caution: Morris Duggan, Jefferson Diaz

2026 MINNESOTA UNITED TEAM LEADERS

Goals	#9 Kelvin Yeboah	14
Assists	#26 Joaquín Pereyra	12
Goal Contributions	#9 Kelvin Yeboah	16
Saves	#12 Drake Callender	80

2026 SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC TEAM LEADERS

Goals	#14 Paul Rothrock	5
Assists	#11 Albert Rusnák	10
Goal Contributions	#11 Albert Rusnák	14
Saves	#26 Andrew Thomas	96

* Player no longer with the club | MLS Regular Season Stats

OPPONENT FACTS

Game Abbreviation:..... SEA
Colors:Rave green, Sounder blue and Cascade shale
Founded:1974
First Season:2009
MLS Titles: 2 (2016, 2019)
Stadium (Location): Lumen Field (Seattle, Washington)
Capacity (Built): 69,000 (2002) 2

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REGULAR SEASON RESULTS AGAINST SEATTLE SOUNDERS FC

Date	Score	Result	Location
8/5/2017	SEA 4 at MIN 0	L	TCF Bank Stadium
8/20/2017	SEA 2 vs. MIN 1	L	CenturyLink Field
4/22/2018	SEA 3 vs. MIN 1	L	CenturyLink Field
8/4/2018	SEA 2 at MIN 1	L	TCF Bank Stadium
5/4/2019	MIN 1 vs. SEA 1	D	Allianz Field
10/6/2019	SEA 1 vs. MIN 0	L	CenturyLink Field
4/16/2021	SEA 4 vs. MIN 0	L	Lumen Field
7/18/2021	MIN 1 vs. SEA 0	W	Allianz Field
9/11/2021	SEA 1 vs. MIN 0	L	Lumen Field
4/2/2022	SEA 2 at MIN 1	L	Allianz Field
5/15/2022	SEA 3 vs. MIN 1	L	Lumen Field
4/22/2023	SEA 1 vs. MIN 0	L	Lumen Field
8/27/2023	MIN 1 vs. SEA 1	D	Allianz Field
6/15/2024	SEA 2 vs. MIN 0	L	Lumen Field
8/24/2024	SEA 3 at MIN 2	L	Allianz Field
6/1/2025	MIN 3 at SEA 2	W	Lumen Field
8/16/2025	MIN 1 vs. SEA 0	W	Allianz Field
3/22/2026	MIN 0 vs. SEA 0	D	Allianz Field

CONNECTIONS

- Midfielder Julian Gressel and midfielder Paul Arriola were teammates at D.C. United from 2020 to early 2022.
- Midfielder Hassani Dotson, now with Seattle Sounders FC, previously played for Minnesota United, having made 173 appearances for the Loons.
- Midfielder Caden Clark previously played for Minnesota United during the 2024 season, making 23 regular-season appearances, including 11 starts, for the Loons.

MLS REGULAR SEASON GOAL BREAKDOWN

PLAYER	TOTAL	RF	LF	H	PK	FK
Morris Duggan	1	0	0	1	0	0
Kelvin Yeboah	14	6	2	3	3	0
Nectarios Triantis	1	1	0	0	0	0
Anthony Markanich	7	1	2	4	0	0
Kyle Duncan	1	0	0	1	0	0
Tomás Chancalay	4	4	0	0	0	0
Joaquín Pereyra	3	0	3	0	0	0
Mauricio González	2	0	0	2	0	0
Devin Padelford	1	0	0	1	0	0
Marcus Caldeira	5	3	1	1	0	0
TOTAL	39	15	8	13	3	0

RF = Right Foot Goal | LF = Left Foot Goal | H = Header Goal
PK = Penalty Kick Goal | FK = Direct Free Kick Goal

GOALS SCORED IN SERIES BY INTERVAL

	0-15	16-30	31-45	46-60	61-75	76-90	ET	Total
MIN	0	4	1	5	2	2	0	14
SEA	2	8	3	5	6	8	0	32

CURRENT REGULAR SEASON TEAM STREAKS*

Team	Type	Player	# of Games
Minnesota United FC	Goals	Kelvin Yeboah	3
	Assists	Wil Trapp	2
	Points	Kelvin Yeboah (5G, 2A)	5
	Shutouts		
Seattle Sounders FC	Goals		
	Assists		
	Points	Albert Rusnák (1G, 2A)	2
	Shutouts		

ALL-TIME SERIES LEADERS

MINNESOTA	SEATTLE
3 Robin Lod*	GOALS 5 times 3
111 times	ASSISTS Nico Lodeiro 6
9 Robin Lod*	SHOTS ON GOAL Raul Ruidiaz 11
2 Dayne St. Clair*	WINS Stefan Frei 12
5 Dayne St. Clair	LOSSES Stefan Frei 2
13 times	CLEAN SHEETS Stefan Frei 6

ALL-TIME SERIES SINGLE-GAME HIGHS

MINNESOTA	SEATTLE
2 Oluwaseyi*/Yeboah	GOALS Dempsey*/Ruidiaz* 2
111 players tied	ASSISTS Cristian Roldan 2
6 Dayne St. Clair*	SAVES Stefan Frei 4
4 Shuttleworth*/St. Clair*	GOALS ALLOWED Stefan Frei 3

* Player no longer with the club.

*Streak considered 2+ games in a row.

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CALDEIRA MAKES HISTORY AT HOME

- Forward Marcus Caldeira scored Minnesota United's 300th home goal across all competitions against the LA Galaxy on Sept. 19. The goal marked Caldeira's fifth of the 2026 MLS regular season.

YEBOAH MATCHES CLUB SCORING RECORD

- Forward Kelvin Yeboah scored his 14th goal of the 2026 MLS regular season against the LA Galaxy, extending his run to eight goal contributions across his last six matches. With 14 goals, Yeboah tied former Loons forward Christian Ramirez for the most goals scored in a single MLS regular season in club history. Ramirez set the mark with 14 goals during the 2017 season.

CALDEIRA AND PEREYRA DUO

- Marcus Caldeira and Joaquín Pereyra have shared the field nine times across all competitions this season since Caldeira's MNUFC debut on July 2. The team has scored 14 goals and recorded 18 assists when they have shared the field. Out of the 30 total goal contributions, 15 were a direct impact from both players with a combined nine goals and six assists.
- Between just both players, Pereyra has scored three goals where Caldeira assisted him and Caldeira has scored a goal where Pereyra assisted him.

YEBOAH CONTINUES TO MAKE HIS MARK

- Striker Kelvin Yeboah scored his 14th regular season goal of the season, a career high. It's his eighth goal contribution in six games (6G, 2A).
- Forward Yeboah was named to the MLS Team of the Matchday 23 bench, marking his second consecutive Team of the Matchday honor. Yeboah earned the recognition after scoring a bicycle kick in Minnesota United's 3-3 draw against Orlando City SC, giving the Loons a 3-2 lead in the 76th minute.
- Yeboah scored his ninth and 10th goals of the 2026 MLS regular season with his brace against San Jose. The performance marked his sixth multi-goal game with Minnesota United, tying Emanuel Reynoso for the most multi-goal games in the club's MLS history. Yeboah also recorded his 10th game-winning goal for the Loons, extending his club record. Anthony Markanich trails him with five game-winning goals.

CALDEIRA EARNS TEAM OF THE MATCHDAY HONORS

- Forward Marcus Caldeira was named to the MLS Team of the Matchday after scoring his first MLS brace in Minnesota United's 5-4 loss to the Portland Timbers. Caldeira scored in three consecutive matches, finding the back of the net in each of his last three starts dating back to Aug. 22 against the San Jose Earthquakes.

LOONS FINDING THE BACK OF THE NET

- Minnesota United has scored 12 goals across its last three games and 16 goals since the restart of the season. The Loons have also scored in seven consecutive matches dating back to Aug. 1.

MALONE MAKES HIS DEBUT

- Forward Maurice Malone made his MLS and MNUFC debut after signing with Minnesota United on Aug. 24.

PEREYRA JOINS ELITE COMPANY

- Midfielder Joaquín Pereyra recorded his 10th assist of the season on Markanich's 74th-minute goal. With the assist, Pereyra joined Emanuel Reynoso (2021-22) as the only players in club history to record at least 10 assists in consecutive seasons.
- Midfielder Joaquín Pereyra recorded his 11th regular-season assist of the season, tying his total from the 2025 season. Pereyra has recorded a goal contribution in each of his last three games, tallying one goal and four assists during that stretch.

DUGGAN, DÍAZ COMMIT TO MINNESOTA

- Defenders Morris Duggan and Jefferson Díaz signed contract extensions with Minnesota United, extending the stays of two key members of the Loons' backline. Duggan's new deal runs through the 2029-30 season with a club option for 2030-31, while Díaz is signed through 2030-31 with a club option for 2031-32. Duggan has made 62 appearances across all competitions for Minnesota, while Díaz has appeared 72 times since joining the club in July 2024.

FIVE-STAR LOONS

- Minnesota United's 5-1 victory over San Jose marked the fourth time in club history the Loons have scored five goals in an MLS match and the first since a 5-2 victory over the LA Galaxy on Oct. 7, 2023. The four-goal margin also marked the club's largest road victory since defeating the Earthquakes 5-2 on March 7, 2020.

SEVEN STRAIGHT AGAINST SAN JOSE

- Minnesota United extended its unbeaten streak against the San Jose Earthquakes to seven matches, posting a 5-0-2 record dating back to Sept. 2, 2023.

MALONE JOINS THE LOONS

- Minnesota United announced the signing of forward Maurice Malone from Austrian Bundesliga side SK Sturm Graz to a guaranteed contract through the 2029-30 season, with a club option for 2030-31. Malone will occupy a senior roster spot and join the Loons as a domestic player.
- The German forward made 39 appearances for SK Sturm Graz from 2025-26, including eight UEFA Europa League Group Stage appearances, scoring four goals and providing three assists across all competitions.
- Prior to joining Sturm Graz, Malone played for FC Augsburg, Wehen Wiesbaden, 1. FC Heidenheim, Wolfsberger AC, FC Basel and Austria Wien. During his loan spell with Austria Wien from 2024-25, he scored 16 goals in 48 appearances.
- Malone has represented Germany at the youth international level, making 17 appearances across the U17, U18, U19 and U21 sides and scoring four goals.

DOUBLE DUTY

- Forward Marcus Caldeira scored his second MLS regular-season goal in his second consecutive MLS start against Orlando City SC. Caldeira's 71st-minute goal began Minnesota's second-half comeback and was assisted by Kelvin Yeboah and Kyle Duncan.
- Defender Kyle Duncan recorded his first brace of MLS assists for Minnesota United and the third of his MLS career. Duncan previously recorded two-assist performances twice while with the New York Red Bulls.
- Midfielder Owen Gene recorded his second brace of assists of the 2026 MLS regular season, providing assists on both of Yeboah's goals against San Jose. His first two-assist performance came against San Diego FC in April.

WELCOME HOME AZI!

- Aziel Jackson made his return to the pitch in an MNUFC jersey after subbing on in the 68th minute. Jackson appeared in two Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup matches in 2022.
- Minnesota United announced on Aug. 13 that the club acquired attacking midfielder Aziel Jackson on loan for the remainder of the season from Polish Ekstraklasa side Jagiellonia Białystok, with a permanent transfer option. He returns to Minnesota United after four years. While away, he played in Europe and MLS (St. Louis CITY, Columbus Crew and Vancouver Whitecaps).
- In 2021, the midfielder signed a Homegrown Player contract with

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Minnesota United after the club acquired his rights from the New York Red Bulls. He had a brief loan stint with North Carolina FC in USL League One before playing with MNUFC2 in MLS NEXT Pro during the 2022 season. Jackson earned MLS NEXT Pro Best XI honors after scoring 10 goals and adding seven assists in nearly 2,000 minutes played for MNUFC2. He additionally appeared in two Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup matches for Minnesota United, making his MNUFC senior team debut in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Third Round match against Forward Madison in April 2022.

YEAR 10 CELEBRATION

- Minnesota United celebrated its 10th season in Major League Soccer at Allianz Field, welcoming former players and former Head Coach Adrian Heath back to Minnesota as part of the club's Year 10 Celebration.
- The Loons also recognized the club's fan-voted Team of the Decade, which included five players currently on the MNUFC roster: Michael Boxall, Bongokuhle Hlongwane, Anthony Markanich, Joaquín Pereyra and Wil Trapp.

PEREYRA'S SCORING STREAK

- Midfielder Joaquín Pereyra recorded three goal contributions in Minnesota United's 5-1 victory over the San Jose Earthquakes, scoring one goal and providing two assists. The performance marked his second three-goal-contribution match of the 2026 season.
- Following his performance against RSL, Pereyra was named to the bench of the MLS Team of the Matchday for Matchday 20, marking his first Team of the Matchday recognition of the 2026 season.

THREE FOR MARCUS

- Forward Marcus Caldeira scored in his third consecutive match, recording his first MLS brace. Caldeira has scored at least one goal in each of his last three starts since Aug. 22 against the San Jose Earthquakes.
- Caldeira made his first career MNUFC and MLS regular-season start, where he played 68 minutes.
- Forward Marcus Caldeira recorded his third assist across two consecutive MNUFC matches after providing the assist on Joaquín Pereyra's goal. Caldeira previously recorded two assists in Minnesota United's 3-1 Leagues Cup victory over Atlante FC on Aug. 11.

EXTENDED THROUGH 2028/2029

- Minnesota United announced on June 26 that the club has signed Homegrown defender Devin Padelford to a contract extension through the 2028-29 season, with a club option for 2029-30.

NEW VOICE IN GOAL

- Cristiano Costa was promoted to First Team Goalkeeper Coach on June 23 after serving as MNUFC2's goalkeeping coach since joining the club in January 2024. Costa replaces Thomas Fawdry, who departed Minnesota United to pursue another opportunity, and becomes the newest addition to Cameron Knowles' first-team coaching staff.

FASTEST STRIKE OF THE SEASON

- Tomás Chancalay's third-minute goal against San Diego FC marked Minnesota United's quickest goal scored during the 2026 MLS regular season. The strike also stood as Chancalay's second regular-season goal for the Loons this season.

SAFE HANDS ON INTERNATIONAL DUTY

- Goalkeeper Kayne Rizvanovich and the United States U-20 squad finished as runners-up at the 2026 Concacaf U-20 Championship in Mexico. The U.S. went undefeated through the group stage, earning victories over Haiti (3-0), El Salvador (3-0) and Cuba (5-0) before defeating Guatemala 3-1 in the Quarterfinals and Costa Rica 2-0 in the Semifinals. The Americans' tournament run ended with a 2-0 loss to Mexico in the Final at Estadio

Azteca on August 9. By reaching the Semifinals, the United States also secured qualification for the 2027 FIFA U-20 World Cup. Rizvanovich was one of three goalkeepers selected to the 21-player U.S. roster for the tournament.

LOONS ON THE WORLD STAGE

- Defender Michael Boxall represented New Zealand at the 2026 FIFA World Cup, making his first career appearance on soccer's biggest stage after helping the All Whites qualify with the decisive goal in the OFC qualifying final in March 2025. Boxall appeared in all three Group G matches as New Zealand earned a 2-2 draw against Iran before falling to Egypt (3-1) and Belgium (5-1).
- Midfielder Carlos Harvey represented Panama at the 2026 FIFA World Cup, making his first career appearance at the tournament after helping Los Canaleros qualify. Harvey started all three group matches. Panama competed in Group L alongside Ghana, Croatia and England, narrowly falling 1-0 to both Ghana and Croatia before concluding group play with a 2-0 loss to England.
- Midfielder James Rodríguez appeared in his third World Cup (2014, 2018) with the Colombian National Team. Rodríguez captained Los Cafeteros throughout the tournament, helping the team make it to the Round of 16 before being eliminated by Switzerland in a penalty kick shootout.
- Minnesota United became the first club in Major League Soccer to have active players start matches for three different nations at the same World Cup.

THANK YOU JAMES

- Minnesota United thanked midfielder James Rodríguez on Tuesday, July 21 for his time with the club, after declining his club option for the remainder of the 2026 season.

ROAD WARRIORS

- With the victory over the Columbus Crew on May 2, Minnesota United had a four match road winning streak from April 4 through May 2, which marked the longest away winning streak in club history during MLS regular-season play.

HISTORIC COMEBACK

- According to Elias Sports Bureau, the game against the Crew marked the first time in club history that Minnesota United earned a victory after trailing by multiple goals. Prior to that night, the Loons had only rallied back to secure draws in that scenario on four occasions across MLS regular-season and playoff play: April 15, 2017 vs. Houston Dynamo (2-2), June 24, 2017 vs. Vancouver Whitecaps FC (2-2), Nov. 4, 2020 vs. Chicago Fire FC (2-2) and Nov. 8, 2025 against Seattle Sounders FC in the Audi MLS Cup Playoffs (3-3).

MNUFC'S 2026 LEAGUES CUP CAMPAIGN

- Minnesota United concluded its 2026 Leagues Cup campaign with one win and two losses across three Phase One matches at Allianz Field. The Loons opened the tournament with a 2-1 loss to FC Juárez before falling 2-0 to Tigres UANL in their second match. Minnesota closed out Phase One on a high note with a 3-1 comeback victory over Atlante FC, highlighted by a brace from Joaquín Pereyra. Despite the victory in the tournament finale, the Loons did not advance to the Quarterfinals, bringing their fourth Leagues Cup appearance to an end in Phase One.

SHUTOUT STREAK ENDS

- Minnesota United allowed a goal at Allianz Field for the first time in 389 minutes, dating back to September 20, 2025, after LAFC's goal scored in the ninth minute on April 25. MNUFC was also the last MLS team this regular season to allow a goal at home.

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A FIRST FOR OUR LOON PLAYERS

- Forward Marcus Caldeira recorded his first MLS regular-season goal in the match against San Jose.
- Forward Mauricio González scored his first Leagues Cup goal against Atlante FC and his second goal for Minnesota United across all competitions.
- Goalkeeper Drake Callender recorded his first-career MLS assist after providing the assist on Joaquín Pereyra's 89th-minute goal.
- Marcus Caldeira recorded his first two MNUFC assists after assisting both of Pereyra's goals in the 3-1 win against Atlante FC during the Leagues Cup 2026 tournament.
- Joaquín Pereyra scored his first Leagues Cup brace in the 76th and 89th minutes. With his assist, Pereyra had a three-goal contribution for the second time in his Leagues Cup career. The Argentine recorded three assists against Club América on August 2, 2025.
- Forward Mauricio González scored his first goal for Minnesota United in the 90'+3' minute of the Loons' 1-1 draw against Real Salt Lake on May 21. The stoppage-time equalizer earned Minnesota a point in its final match before the FIFA World Cup break.
- Midfielder James Rodríguez recorded his first and second assists for Minnesota United during the club's 2-2 draw against Austin FC on May 10, setting up goals from Joaquín Pereyra and Anthony Markanich at Allianz Field.
- Midfielder James Rodríguez made his first home start at Allianz Field and his first MLS regular-season start for Minnesota United against LAFC. The match against Sacramento Republic in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup marked midfielder James Rodríguez's first start as a member of Minnesota United. He made his MLS debut after he subbed on against the Vancouver Whitecaps on March 15, and made his Allianz Field debut on March 22.
- Midfielder Tomás Chancalay scored his first MNUFC goal against the Portland Timbers on April 18. This was the Argentine's 13th league goal since joining MLS in 2023.
- Winger Mauricio González made his MNUFC debut after subbing on in extra time in the U.S. Open Cup match. He made his MLS debut on April 18 versus the Portland Timbers.
- Defender Kyle Duncan scored his first goal as a member of Minnesota United in the match against San Diego FC. The goal was his first since the 2024 season, and his seventh of his career in MLS action. He made his Minnesota United debut against Nashville SC match after subbing on in the 76th minute on March 7.
- Midfielder Owen Gene recorded his first two assists in his MLS career, making it his first multi-assist game of his professional career.
- Midfielder Tomás Chancalay recorded his first two assists as a Minnesota United player, his first multi-assist game of his MLS career against LA Galaxy.
- Defender Morris Duggan's 40th-minute goal to equalize the season opener marked his very-first MLS and professional goal in the fixture against Austin FC.

FOUR FOR FOUR

- Minnesota United won four-straight MLS games, the first stretch of four-consecutive victories for the team since 2019 (June 29 - July 13, 2019). Additionally with the win over FC Dallas, the Loons had a six-game unbeaten streak across all competitions that ended on April 25 following a 1-0 loss to LAFC.
- MNUFC goalkeeper Drake Callender recorded his fourth regular season clean sheet of the season after the FC Dallas win on April 22, his second consecutively.

CONSISTENCY

- The game against Columbus Crew on May 2 marked the fifth time during the 2026 regular season that Minnesota United had used the same starting lineup. The Loons won each match when deploying this starting XI during league play. Across all competitions, the Loons were 5-1-0 when starting the same lineup, with the lone loss against the San Jose Earthquakes in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup.

ANT MAN

- Defender Anthony Markanich scored his seventh goal of the season and his 20th goal across all competitions for the Loons. Markanich has recorded a goal contribution in each of his last four games since Aug. 19, tallying three goals and one assist.
- Defender Anthony Markanich scored his sixth MLS regular-season goal of the season, heading home Joaquín Pereyra's corner kick in the 74th minute to level the match at 2-2. Markanich now has 19 goals across all competitions for Minnesota United.
- Anthony Markanich was selected to the 2026 MLS All-Star Game after being voted to the First XI through a combination of votes from MLS fans, players and media. Markanich becomes the eighth player in Minnesota United history to earn MLS All-Star honors and is making his first career All-Star appearance.
- Defender Markanich scored his 18th goal across all competitions in his professional career and his 14th career MLS regular-season goal with Minnesota United in the match against Atlanta United on August 19.
- Markanich scored the game-winning goal against FC Dallas on April 22, his second goal of the season. The lone goal of the match earned him Team of the Matchday honors.
- Markanich scored his 10th regular-season goal as a Loon in the fixture against LA Galaxy on April 4.
- In 2025, Markanich scored the second most goals (9) by a defender in a single regular season, after scoring a brace against Sporting Kansas on 10/04/2025. He now sits behind defender Brek Shea's record of 11 goals recorded in 2014.

LOON KEEPERS

- The scoreless draw against Sacramento Republic on April 14 marked goalkeeper Alec Smir's third clean sheet as a Loon.
- Goalkeeper Drake Callender recorded seven saves, currently a 2026 regular season high, against the LA Galaxy on April 4.
- Drake Callender posted his second clean sheet as a member of the Loons in the 0-0 draw over Seattle Sounders on March 22, second consecutive shutout at home.
- Callender has 47 regular season wins through 110 appearances in goal since joining MLS in 2020. He made his 100th MLS regular-season start in the match against FC Dallas on April 22. His 100th regular season appearance was the match prior on April 18 vs. the Portland Timbers. Across his MLS regular-season career, the goalkeeper has recorded 369 saves and 19 shutouts.

ON A POSITIVE NOTE

- Minnesota United recorded their second victory at Dignity Health Sports Park after facing LA Galaxy on April 4.
- The Loons are now unbeaten in nine-straight home MLS games against the Portland Timbers, dating back to 2017. The record in that stretch of unbeaten matches is 7-0-2 (W-L-D).
- MNUFC earned their first ever win on the road against the Columbus Crew on May 2.

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THE COLD NEVER BOTHERED US ANYWAY

- The temperature for the home opener game on February 28 was 21 degrees Fahrenheit, making it the coldest Minnesota United game at Allianz Field. The coldest game in the club's MLS history happened on two separate occasions when the starting temperature was 19 degrees Fahrenheit and held at TCF Bank Stadium (March 12, 2017 versus Atlanta United and March 31, 2018 versus Atlanta United).

A LEGEND

- Minnesota United defender Michael Boxall currently leads the club in all-time minutes played, sitting at 25,820 minutes across all competitions. He also leads the club in appearances (294) and starts (286).
- Boxall returned to play after missing eight regular season matches due to injury. He played the final 15 minutes of the 3-2 win against the Columbus Crew.

MINNESOTA'S OFFENSE

- Minnesota United enters this weekend's match against the LA Galaxy with 17 goals across six games, and 19 goals since MLS returned to action following the World Cup break. Forward Kelvin Yeboah leads the Loons with 14 MLS regular-season goals.
- Minnesota United went 286 minutes without scoring a goal from March 7 against Nashville SC until the 51st minute of the 2-1 win against the LA Galaxy on April 4 at Dignity Health Sports Park. Anthony Markanich found the back of the net to end the drought, which was the second longest record without scoring a goal this season.

MINNESOTA'S DEFENSE

- Minnesota United has conceded 46 goals through 26 MLS regular-season matches this season. The Loons have recorded five clean sheets, with goalkeeper Drake Callender anchoring the defensive unit throughout the campaign. The Loons' four clean sheets this season have come against FC Cincinnati, Seattle Sounders FC, FC Dallas and Vancouver Whitecaps FC. minute shutout streak from April 11, 2026 to April 25, 2026.
- The Loons had not lost in back-to-back games and did not receive a red card at any point during the 2025 regular season. MNUFC lost back-to-back regular season games for the first time this season from March 7 to March 15.

2026 ONE-GOAL RECORD

- Minnesota United holds a 5-8-0 (W-L-D) record in games decided by one goal.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

- Michael Boxall is **6 appearances away from 300 appearances** across all competitions for Minnesota United and 41 from 300 for regular season play as a Minnesota United player.
- Wil Trapp is **2 appearances away from 200** appearances with Minnesota United.
- Bongokuhle Hlongwane and Kelvin Yeboah (35) is **5 goals away** from becoming the club's all-time leading scorer, currently sitting behind Robin Lod (39).
- DJ Taylor is currently sitting at **99 regular season appearances** for Minnesota United.

HALFWAY TO THE 100TH MARK

- Carlos Harvey has played in 72 games across all competitions for Minnesota United.
- Anthony Markanich has appeared in 75 matches across all competitions with 56 starts.
- Joaquín Pereyra has made 84 appearances across all competitions since joining Minnesota United and 74 starts.

- Kelvin Yeboah has featured in 81 games across all competitions for the Loons.
- Jefferson Díaz has appeared in 76 matches across all competitions.
- Devin Padelford has made 61 appearances across all competitions, continuing his progression toward 100 career games with Minnesota United.

MINNESOTA UNITED SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- Mauricio Gonzalez - September 15
- Cherrion Valerius- September 22

MNUFC'S LEAGUES CUP HISTORY

- Minnesota United made its deepest Leagues Cup run during the inaugural 2023 tournament, advancing to the Quarterfinals. The Loons opened Group Stage play with a dominant 4-0 victory over Club Puebla before falling to Chicago Fire FC. Minnesota then advanced past Columbus Crew and Deportivo Toluca in consecutive penalty shootouts before its run ended with a 5-0 loss to eventual runner-up Nashville SC.
- Bongokuhle Hlongwane starred throughout the tournament, scoring seven goals to finish second in the Golden Boot race behind Lionel Messi.
- The Loons have competed in each edition of Leagues Cup since 2023. In 2024, Minnesota defeated Club Necaxa following a penalty shootout but missed the Knockout Rounds on goal differential after all three teams in its group finished with three points. MNUFC returned in 2025 and opened Phase One with a 4-1 victory over Querétaro FC before earning a point in a thrilling 3-3 draw against Club América, ultimately falling 8-7 in the ensuing shootout. A loss to Atlético de San Luis in the final Phase One match ended Minnesota's tournament run.
- The Loons returned to Leagues Cup action in 2026, facing FC Juárez, Tigres UANL and Atlante FC, and had a 1-1-1 (W-L-D) record.

MNUFC'S U.S. OPEN CUP HISTORY

- Minnesota United made a strong run in the 2025 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, advancing all the way to the semifinals. The Loons showcased resilience throughout the tournament, earning key wins against strong opposition before ultimately falling just short of a spot in the final. Minnesota United fell to 2-1 to Austin FC. Joaquín Pereyra provided the Loons' lone goal in the match, but Minnesota ultimately came up just short of reaching the final. Their semifinal appearance marked one of the club's deepest Open Cup runs in recent years, highlighting Minnesota's ability to compete across multiple competitions and against top-tier opponents.
- Minnesota United has experienced success in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, with their deepest run coming in 2019 when the club reached the Final. The Loons earned notable victories throughout that tournament, defeating Sporting Kansas City, Houston Dynamo FC and Portland Timbers before ultimately finishing as runners-up after falling to Atlanta United FC in the championship match, marking the club's best-ever performance in the competition. Since then, Minnesota has remained a competitive side in Open Cup play, consistently showing the ability to make meaningful runs against both MLS and lower-division opponents.

U.S. OPEN CUP ROUND OF 32

- Minnesota United advanced to the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Round of 16 after defeating Sacramento Republic FC in a dramatic penalty shootout following a scoreless 120 minutes of regulation and extra time. In a tightly contested match at Heart Health Park, neither side was able to find a breakthrough despite chances across the two-hour battle, sending the match to penalties.
- The shootout extended through the full lineup and into the goalkeepers, with both sides converting multiple attempts under pressure. Minnesota goalkeeper Alec Smir stepped up for the Loons' attempt but was denied,

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creating a chance for Sacramento to win moments later. Smir quickly redeemed himself in the next sequence, diving to save Sacramento goalkeeper Danny Vitiello's penalty to keep Minnesota alive. The Loons ultimately prevailed 9-8 from the spot to punch their ticket into the next round. Minnesota will face the San Jose Earthquakes on April 28 at 9:00 p.m. CT.

U.S. OPEN CUP DEPARTURE

- Midfielder Tomás Chancalay was the only Minnesota United player to score a goal for Minnesota United in the 4-2 loss to the San Jose Earthquakes, the other goal was an own goal scored by San Jose's Ronaldo Vieira after pressure from Anthony Markanich near the box. Anthony Markanich also earned the assist in Chancalay's goal.
- Minnesota United has a 10-7-3 in Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup matches, after its loss to the San Jose Earthquakes. All three draws have ended in penalty shootout wins for the Loons.

LOONS ON LOAN

- Goalkeeper Wessel Speel has made seven appearances in Almere City FC's first six Eerste Divisie matches, conceding four goals while recording three clean sheets. Almere City currently sits second in the league standings with 31 matches remaining in the 38-game season.
- Midfielder Hoyeon Jung has appeared in all 24 league matches for Suwon Samsung Bluewings FC, recording one goal and one assist across 1,905 minutes. Suwon currently sits first in K League 2 with seven matches remaining in the season.
- Defender Britton Fischer has made 23 appearances across Hartford Athletic's 24 league matches, logging 1,947 minutes. Hartford currently sits fifth in the USL Championship and has advanced to the Prinx Tires USL Cup Final, where it will face Louisville City FC on Oct. 4.
- Forward Kenyel Michel has made eight appearances for LD Alajuelense, scoring five goals and adding one assist across 542 minutes. Alajuelense advanced to the Concacaf Central American Cup semifinals after defeating Marathón 5-3 on aggregate in the quarterfinals and will face Motagua in the next round. Michel also earned his first-ever call-up to the Costa Rica senior national team for the upcoming international window.
- Midfielder Dominik Fitz has made three appearances for Wolfsberger AC, logging 177 minutes. The Austrian side currently sits 11th in the Austrian Bundesliga with 16 matches remaining in its league campaign.
- Defender Devin Padelford has made four MLS appearances, including one start, for the New York Red Bulls, logging 127 minutes. New York currently sits 8th in the Eastern Conference, currently in MLS playoff contention.

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2026 MLS WESTERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Vancouver Whitecaps FC	25	15	6	4	49	56	23
Houston Dynamo FC	26	13	8	5	44	34	30
St. Louis CITY SC	26	12	6	8	44	45	36
FC Dallas	26	12	6	8	44	49	42
San Jose Earthquakes	26	12	8	6	42	46	38
LAFC	27	11	8	8	41	43	29
Colorado Rapids	26	11	12	3	36	36	35
LA Galaxy	27	8	10	9	33	34	42
Portland Timbers	26	9	12	5	32	47	48
Seattle Sounders FC	25	8	9	8	32	30	33
San Diego FC	26	8	11	7	31	44	44
Austin FC	26	7	10	9	30	32	44
Real Salt Lake	26	8	13	5	29	37	44
Minnesota United FC	26	7	11	8	29	39	46
Sporting Kansas City	25	5	17	3	18	29	63

2026 MLS EASTERN CONFERENCE STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
x-Nashville SC	26	17	3	6	57	53	21
New England Revolution	26	14	8	4	46	45	33
Inter Miami CF	26	12	4	10	46	63	48
Charlotte FC	26	12	7	7	43	47	37
Chicago Fire FC	25	11	8	6	39	45	38
Philadelphia Union	26	10	10	6	36	50	42
Orlando City SC	26	10	12	4	34	46	60
New York Red Bulls	26	9	11	6	33	34	48
FC Cincinnati	25	8	8	9	33	54	61
New York City FC	26	8	10	8	32	39	34
D.C. United	25	6	8	11	29	31	39
Toronto FC	26	6	9	11	29	39	49
Columbus Crew	26	7	14	5	26	37	42
Atlanta United FC	26	7	14	5	26	30	43
CF Montréal	26	5	15	6	21	31	53

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2026 MLS SUPPORTERS' SHIELD STANDINGS

TEAM	GP	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	GD
x-Nashville SC	26	17	3	6	57	53	21	32
Vancouver Whitecaps FC	25	15	6	4	49	56	23	33
New England Revolution	26	14	8	4	46	45	33	12
Inter Miami CF	26	12	4	10	46	63	48	15
Houston Dynamo FC	26	13	8	5	44	34	30	4
St. Louis CITY SC	26	12	6	8	44	45	36	9
FC Dallas	26	12	6	8	44	49	42	7
Charlotte FC	26	12	7	7	43	47	37	10
San Jose Earthquakes	26	12	8	6	42	46	38	8
LAFC	27	11	8	8	41	43	29	14
Chicago Fire FC	25	11	8	6	39	45	38	7
Colorado Rapids	26	11	12	3	36	36	35	1
Philadelphia Union	26	10	10	6	36	50	42	8
Orlando City SC	26	10	12	4	34	46	60	-14
New York Red Bulls	26	9	11	6	33	34	48	-14
FC Cincinnati	25	8	8	9	33	54	61	-7
LA Galaxy	27	8	10	9	33	34	42	-8
Portland Timbers	26	9	12	5	32	47	48	-1
New York City FC	26	8	10	8	32	39	34	5
Seattle Sounders FC	25	8	9	8	32	30	33	-3
San Diego FC	26	8	11	7	31	44	44	0
Austin FC	26	7	10	9	30	32	44	-12
Real Salt Lake	26	8	13	5	29	37	44	-7
Minnesota United FC	26	7	11	8	29	39	46	-7
D.C. United	25	6	8	11	29	31	39	-8
Toronto FC	26	6	9	11	29	39	49	-10
Columbus Crew	26	7	14	5	26	37	42	-5
Atlanta United FC	26	7	14	5	26	30	43	-13
CF Montréal	26	5	15	6	21	31	53	-22
Sporting Kansas City	25	5	17	3	18	29	63	-34

MINNESOTA UNITED RECORDS

YEAR	REGULAR SEASON	PLAYOFFS	OPEN CUP	LEAGUES CUP	TOTAL
2017	10 - 18 - 6	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 1 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	10 - 19 - 6
2018	11 - 20 - 3	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 1 - 1	0 - 0 - 0	11 - 21 - 4
2019	15 - 11 - 8	0 - 1 - 0	4 - 1 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	19 - 13 - 8
2020	9 - 5 - 7	2 - 1 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	11 - 6 - 7
2021	13 - 11 - 10	0 - 1 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	13 - 12 - 10
2022	14 - 14 - 6	0 - 0 - 1	2 - 1 - 0	0 - 0 - 0	16 - 15 - 7
2023	10 - 13 - 11	0 - 0 - 0	1 - 1 - 1	1 - 2 - 2	12 - 16 - 14
2024	15 - 12 - 7	0 - 1 - 2	0 - 0 - 0	1 - 1 - 0	16 - 14 - 9
2025	16 - 8 - 10	0 - 2 - 2	3 - 1 - 0	1 - 1 - 1	20 - 11 - 13
2026	7 - 11 - 8	0 - 0 - 0	0 - 1 - 1	1 - 1 - 1	8 - 13 - 10
TOTAL	120 - 123 - 76	2 - 6 - 5	10 - 7 - 3	4 - 5 - 4	136 - 141 - 88

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2026 MLS STATS LEADERS

GOALS: Lionel Messi, MIA (20)
MIN: Kelvin Yeboah (13)

ASSISTS: Lionel Messi, MIA (13)
MIN: Joaquín Pereyra (12)

SHOTS: Lionel Messi, MIA (147)
MIN: Kelvin Yeboah (58)

SOG: Lionel Messi, MIA (62)
MIN: Kelvin Yeboah (27)

YELLOW CARDS: Chris Durkin, STL (10)
MIN: Jefferson Diaz (8)

RED CARDS: three players (2)
MIN: N/A

SAVES: Brad Stuver, ATX (115)
MIN: Drake Callender (80)

CLEAN SHEETS: three players tied (12)
MIN: Drake Callender (5)

2025 MLS AWARD WINNERS

Landon Donovan MLS MVP: Lionel Messi, Inter Miami CF

Defender of the Year: Tristan Blackmon, Vancouver Whitecaps FC

Allstate Goalkeeper of the Year: Dayne St. Clair, Minnesota United FC

Newcomer of the Year: Anders Dreyer, San Diego FC

AT&T Young Player of the Year: Alex Freeman, Orlando City

Coach of the Year: Bradley Carnell, Philadelphia Union

Comeback Player of the Year: Nick Hagglund, FC Cincinnati

Audi Goals Drive Progress Impact Award: Diego Luna, Real Salt Lake

ABOUT MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

Minnesota United FC plays in North America's top professional soccer league, Major League Soccer (MLS). The league features 30 teams from across the United States and Canada.

After a successful bid to host the FIFA World Cup in 1994, the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) founded MLS to bring a top-level soccer league back to the country for the first time since 1984, when the original NASL folded. The league was set to begin play in 1996 with 10 teams: Colorado Rapids, Columbus Crew, D.C. United, Dallas Burn (FC Dallas), Kansas City Wiz (Sporting Kansas City), Los Angeles Galaxy, New England Revolution, NY/NJ MetroStars (New York Red Bulls), San Jose Clash (Earthquakes) and Tampa Bay Mutiny.

The league's first game was played on April 6, 1996 as the San Jose Clash played D.C. United in front of 31,000 fans at Spartan Stadium. The league drew large crowds in its opening season, pulling star power from around North America and building on the excitement of the 1994 FIFA World Cup.

As MLS has continued to grow, clubs have begun moving out of shared American football venues and into soccer-specific stadium, led by Columbus Crew, who moved into the soccer-specific Historic Crew Stadium in 1999. Currently, 22 teams play in soccer-specific venues.

With the addition of San Diego FC as the league's 30th club, the schedule format will include every MLS team competing in 34 regular season games, featuring 17 at home and 17 on the road. Clubs will play conference opponents twice, once at home and once away. Additionally, each club will play one match against six different cross-conference opponents.

Starting in 2023, the league adopted a new playoff style after three seasons of a single-elimination format. At the end of the MLS Regular Season, the top seven teams from each conference will automatically qualify to the Round One Best-of-3 series while the next two teams in each conference standings will qualify for a single-elimination Audi MLS Cup Playoffs Wild Card match. The winners of each Wild Card game will earn a spot in the Round One Best-of-3 series.

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DATE	OPPONENT	RESULT/TIME (CT)	LOCATION
2/21	@ Austin FC	2-2 D	Q2 Stadium
2/28	vs FC Cincinnati	1-0 W	Allianz Field
3/7	@ Nashville SC	1-3 L	GEODIS Park
3/14	@ Vancouver Whitecaps FC	0-6 L	BC Place
3/22	vs Seattle Sounders FC	0-0 D	Allianz Field
4/4	@ LA Galaxy	2-1 W	Dignity Health Sports Park
4/11	@ San Diego FC	2-1 W	Snapdragon Stadium
4/14	@ Sacramento Republic FC^	0 (9) - 0 (8) SOW	Heart Health Park
4/18	vs Portland Timbers	2-0 W	Allianz Field
4/22	@ FC Dallas	1-0 W	Toyota Stadium
4/25	vs LAFC	0-1 L	Allianz Field
4/28	@ San Jose Earthquakes^	2-4 L	PayPal Park
5/2	@ Columbus Crew	3-2 W	Scotts Miracle-Gro Field
5/10	vs Austin FC	2-2 D	Allianz Field
5/13	vs Colorado Rapids	0-1 L	Allianz Field
5/16	@ New England Revolution	1-2 L	Gillette Stadium
5/23	vs Real Salt Lake	1-1 D	Allianz Field
7/22	@ Sporting Kansas City	1-2 L	Sporting Park
7/25	vs Vancouver Whitecaps FC	0-0 D	Allianz Field
8/1	vs San Diego FC	1-1 D	Allianz Field
8/5	vs FC Juárez**	2-1 L	Allianz Field
8/7	@ Tigres UANL**	0 (2) -0 (4) D	Allianz Field
8/12	vs Atlante F.C.**	3-1 W	Allianz Field
8/15	@ Real Salt Lake	1-1 D	America First Field
8/19	vs Atlanta United FC	1-2 L	Allianz Field
8/22	@ San Jose Earthquakes	5-1 W	PayPal Park
8/29	vs Orlando City SC	3-3 D	Allianz Field
9/5	@ Portland Timbers	5-4 L	Providence Park
9/9	vs FC Dallas	1-2 L	Allianz Field
9/12	@ St. Louis CITY SC	4-2 L	Energizer Park
9/19	vs LA Galaxy	3-2 L	Allianz Field
9/26	@ Seattle Sounders FC	7:30 p.m.	Lumen Field
10/10	vs Houston Dynamo FC	7:30 p.m.	Allianz Field
10/14	@ Colorado Rapids	8:30 p.m.	Dick's Sporting Goods Park
10/17	vs St. Louis CITY SC	3:30 p.m.	Allianz Field
10/24	@ Houston Dynamo FC	7:30 p.m.	Shell Energy Stadium
10/28	vs Sporting Kansas City	7:30 p.m.	Allianz Field
10/31	@ LAFC	4:00 p.m.	BMO Stadium
11/07	vs San Jose Earthquakes	6:00 p.m.	Allianz Field

MINNESOTA UNITED SCORING FREQUENCY - MLS ONLY

	Range	0-15	16-30	31-45	45+	46-60	61-75	76-90	90+/ET	Total
2026	For	4	4	8	0	5	12	4	2	39
	Against	10	10	5	0	8	5	7	1	46
2025	For	5	6	11	2	9	12	7	4	56
	Against	4	3	3	2	5	10	8	4	39
TOTAL	For	46	75	76	12	74	91	72	27	473
	Against	68	70	72	12	76	77	81	34	490

^ U.S. Open Cup | * MLS Playoffs | + Friendly | ** Leagues Cup

MLS RECORD (W-L-D) WHEN...

	2026	2025	TOTAL
Playing at home	2-5-6	8-5-4	71-42-45
Playing on the road	5-6-2	8-3-6	48-80-29
Playing on grass	7-9-8	16-5-9	93-86-63
Playing on artificial turf	0-2-0	1-0-2	26-35-12
vs. Western Conference	6-8-7	16-7-8	88-89-63
vs. Eastern Conference	2-3-1	3-1-2	31-31-13
Scoring first	4-1-1	15-1-4	97-17-24
Allowing first	3-10-5	1-6-3	22-103-36
Scoring 0 goals	0-3-2	0-4-3	0-8-16
Scoring 1 goal	2-5-3	3-2-4	27-44-37
Scoring 2 goals	3-2-2	3-1-2	43-16-17
Scoring 3+ goals	2-1-1	10-0-1	49-6-6
Allowing 0 goals	3-0-2	7-0-3	54-0-16
Allowing 1 goal	3-2-3	8-2-4	48-23-37
Allowing 2 goals	1-4-2	1-3-2	16-40-17
Allowing 3+ goals	0-5-1	0-3-1	0-58-6
Scoring in the 1st half	4-5-2	10-1-4	79-34-31
Scoreless 1st half	3-6-7	4-7-6	38-87-45
Scoring in the 2nd half	5-5-5	12-3-4	95-44-36
Scoreless 2nd half	2-6-3	0-5-5	20-77-39
Leading at halftime	4-1-1	10-1-2	64-9-17
Trailing at halftime	1-9-3	1-4-1	7-77-18
Tied at halftime	2-2-4	5-3-7	18-36-42
Leading after 60 minutes	5-1-1	12-0-2	81-9-15
Trailing after 60 minutes	0-7-3	1-6-1	7-86-17
Tied after 60 minutes	2-2-4	2-1-6	30-25-43
Leading after 75 minutes	7-1-1	13-0-3	94-5-11
Trailing after 75 minutes	0-9-2	1-7-0	3-97-13
Tied after 75 minutes	0-1-5	0-0-8	19-18-53

2026 TEAM STATS VS OPPONENTS - MLS ONLY

	MIN	OPP
Shots	345	316
Shots on Goal	126	128
Accuracy	36.5%	40.5%
Goals	39	46
Fouls	331	308
Offside	45	29
Corner Kicks	140	130
Yellow Cards	52	44
Red Cards	1	1
Saves	82	83
Clean Sheets	5	5

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MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 FIELD PLAYER STATISTICS - REGULAR SEASON

#	POS	PLAYER	GP	GS	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF	CK	C	E
99	F	Adebayo-Smith, Jordan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
15	D	Boxall, Michael	17	15	1296	0	1	3	0	20	9	0	0	5	0
22	F	Caldeira, Marcus	8	6	443	5	1	14	7	3	4	4	0	0	0
12	G	Callender, Drake	26	26	2295	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
8	F	Chancalay, Tomás	26	18	1628	4	4	52	16	28	23	2	34	4	0
33	M	Chandler, Kieran	1	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	D	Díaz, Jefferson	24	21	1839	0	2	17	8	33	21	1	0	8	0
29	F	Dieng, Mamadou	18	5	496	0	0	19	11	8	11	5	0	1	0
23	D	Duggan, Morris	25	25	2233	1	2	12	6	23	13	1	0	5	0
3	D	Duncan, Kyle	22	20	1629	1	4	14	3	27	23	2	0	4	1
7	M	Fitz, Dominik	1	0	7	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
30	M	Gene, Owen	25	18	1583	0	4	6	0	25	9	0	0	3	0
18	F	González, Mauricio	14	0	158	2	0	10	4	2	2	2	0	0	0
24	M	Gressel, Julian	4	0	55	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	0
67	D	Harvey, Carlos	12	3	366	0	1	2	0	10	4	0	0	1	0
21	F	Hlongwane, Bongokuhle	15	5	570	0	0	6	1	4	3	5	0	1	0
16	M	Jackson, Aziel	2	0	29	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
11	F	Malone, Maurice	4	0	52	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
13	D	Markanich, Anthony	26	25	2142	7	3	41	17	26	34	6	1	3	0
2	D	Padelford, Devin	16	5	606	1	1	4	3	7	7	1	0	0	0
26	M	Pereyra, Joaquín	26	25	2267	3	12	49	13	33	59	8	86	5	0
32	F	Putt, Troy	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	M	Rodríguez, James	6	2	194	0	2	9	3	2	3	1	17	0	0
5	D	Romero, Nicolás	11	10	808	0	0	4	1	9	8	2	0	2	0
1	G	Smir, Alec	1	0	45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	M	Stroud, Peter	1	0	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	D	Taylor, D.J.	4	1	116	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	1	0
20	M	Trapp, Wil	25	19	1679	0	4	4	1	15	14	0	0	2	0
25	M	Triantis, Nectarios	21	15	1315	1	1	19	5	22	15	0	0	3	0
9	F	Yeboah, Kelvin	25	22	1844	14	2	58	27	22	33	5	0	2	0
Team Totals				26	2340	39	45	345	126	331	308	45	140	52	1

MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 GOALKEEPING STATISTICS - REGULAR SEASON

No.	Name (JERSEY NAME)	GP	ST	MIN	SHT	SV	GA	GAA	PG	PA	W	L	T	SO
1	Smir, Alec	1	0	45	4	2	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	0
12	Callender, Drake	26	26	2295	124	80	44	1.73	8	8	7	11	7	5
MIN TOTALS					126	82	46	1.77	8	8	7	11	8	5

* MNUFC2 Player/ ^ No longer with the team/ # Loaned Out

MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 INDIVIDUAL HONORS

MLS TEAM OF THE MATCHDAY

Kelvin Yeboah (F)
Matchday 2*, 12, 22, 23*
Drake Callender (GK)
Matchday 2*
Anthony Markanich (D)
Matchday 6, 9 12
Jefferson Diaz (D)
Matchday 8
Tomás Chancalay (D)
Matchday 8*
James Rodríguez (M)
Matchday 12*
Kyle Duncan (D)
Matchday 22*

Marcus Caldeira (F)

Matchday 24*
Joaquín Pereyra (M)
Matchday 20*, 22

MLS PLAYER OF THE MATCHDAY

MLS GOAL OF THE MATCHDAY

Joaquín Pereyra (M)
Matchday 22
Nectarios Triantis (M)
Matchday 3

MLS ENERGY MOMENT OF THE MATCHDAY

* On bench

^ Includes own goals and players transferred out

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MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 FIELD PLAYER STATISTICS - LEAGUES CUP

No.	Pos.	Name (JERSEY NAME)	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF	CK	C	E
2	D	Padelford, Devin	2	2	170	0	0	1	0	4	1	0	0	2	0
6	D	Duncan, Kyle	2	2	150	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
7	M	Fitz, Dominik	1	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	M	Canalay, Tomás	3	2	183	1	0	5	1	1	3	0	7	0	0
9	F	Yeboah, Kelvin	3	2	146	0	0	6	1	0	4	0	0	0	0
13	D	Markanich, Anthony	2	2	180	0	0	5	3	5	3	0	0	1	0
15	D	Boxall, Michael	1	1	90	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
18	M	González, Mauricio	3	1	118	1	0	4	1	2	0	2	0	1	0
20	M	Trapp, Wil	3	2	165	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0
21	F	Hlongwange, Bongokuhle	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
22	F	Caldeira, Marcus	2	0	31	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0
23	D	Duggan, Morris	3	2	193	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
24	M	Gressel, Julian	1	1	90	0	0	1	1	3	1	0	3	1	0
26	M	Pereyra, Joaquin	3	2	210	2	1	5	3	5	4	1	8	1	0
27	M	Taylor, DJ	1	1	77	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
28	D	Diaz, Jefferson	3	2	137	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	0
29	F	Dieng, Mamadou	2	2	152	0	0	2	1	2	2	1	0	0	0
30	M	Gene, Owen	3	2	193	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	1	0
33	D	Chandler, Kieran	1	1	90	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
67	D	Harvey, Carlos	3	2	225	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Own Goals															
MIN TOTALS						4	1	35	11	41	31	5	18	8	0

MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 GOALKEEPING STATISTICS - LEAGUES CUP

No.	Name (JERSEY NAME)	GP	ST	MIN	SHT	SV	GA	GAA	PG	PA	W	L	T	SO
1	Alec Smir	3	3	270	39	8	3	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
12	Drake Callender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MIN TOTALS					39	8	3	1	0	0	1	1	1	1

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No.	Pos.	Name (JERSEY NAME)	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	SHT	SOG	FC	FS	OFF	CK	C	E
2	D	Devin Padelford	2	1	145	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
5	D	Nicolas Romero	1	1	65	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0
6	D	Kyle Duncan	1	1	76	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
20	M	Wil Trapp	1	1	120	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	F	Bongokuhle Hlongwane	1	1	67	0	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
8	F	Tomás Chancalay	2	1	143	1	0	5	3	5	2	0	8	0	0
10	M	James Rodríguez	2	1	81	0	0	2	0	1	3	0	3	0	0
13	D	Anthony Markanich	2	1	129	0	1	4	2	4	3	0	0	1	0
33	D	Kieran Chandler	1	1	120	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
67	M	Carlos Harvey	1	1	120	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0
9	F	Kelvin Yeboah	1	1	90	0	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
27	D	D.J. Taylor	1	1	80	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
18	M	Mauricio González	2	0	21	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
23	D	Morris Duggan	2	2	170	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
25	M	Nectarios Triantis	2	1	77	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
26	M	Joaquín Pereyra	2	1	143	0	0	3	1	4	2	0	2	1	0
28	D	Jefferson Díaz	2	1	130	0	0	1	0	1	3	0	0	0	0
29	D	Mamadou Dieng	2	1	114	0	0	5	1	3	2	0	0	0	0
30	M	Owen Gene	2	2	210	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Own Goals						1									
MIN TOTALS						2	1	31	10	29	31	2	13	2	0

MINNESOTA UNITED 2026 GOALKEEPING STATISTICS - LAMAR HUNT U.S. OPEN CUP

No.	Name (JERSEY NAME)	GP	ST	MIN	SHT	SV	GA	GAA	PG	PA	W	L	T	SO
1	Alec Smir	1	1	120	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
12	Drake Callender	1	1	90	5	1	4	4	0	0	0	1	0	0
MIN TOTALS					7	3	4	2	0	0	0	1	1	1

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2025 MINNESOTA UNITED GOAL MAP - MLS REGULAR SEASON ONLY (CLICK THE NUMBER TO WATCH THE GOAL)



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2026 MINNESOTA UNITED GOAL MAP - MLS REGULAR SEASON ONLY

#	Player	Date	Opponent	Min	
1	Morris Duggan	2/21/26	Austin FC	40'	*
2	Kelvin Yeboah	2/21/26	Austin FC	90'	
3	Kelvin Yeboah	2/28/26	FC Cincinnati	66'	
4	Nectarios Triantis	3/7/26	Nashville SC	35'	
5	Anthony Markanich	4/4/26	LA Galaxy	51'	
6	Kelvin Yeboah	4/4/26	LA Galaxy	67'	
7	Kyle Duncan	4/11/26	San Diego FC	15'	
8	Kelvin Yeboah	4/11/26	San Diego FC	40'	
9	Tomás Chancalay	4/18/26	Portland Timbers	16'	
10	Kelvin Yeboah	4/18/26	Portland Timbers	60'	
11	Anthony Markanich	4/22/26	FC Dallas	36'	
12	Kelvin Yeboah	5/2/26	Columbus Crew	59'	#
13	Kelvin Yeboah	5/2/26	Columbus Crew	66'	*
14	Anthony Markanich	5/2/26	Columbus Crew	74'	#
15	Anthony Markanich	5/10/26	Austin FC	69'	
16	Joaquín Pereyra	5/10/26	Austin FC	77'	
17	Kelvin Yeboah	5/16/26	New England Revolution	25'	^
18	Mauricio González	5/23/26	Real Salt Lake	90' + 3'	#
19	Devin Padelford	7/23/26	Sporting Kansas City	75'	+
20	Tomás Chancalay	8/1/26	San Diego FC	3'	
21	Joaquín Pereyra	8/15/26	Real Salt Lake	89'	
22	Anthony Markanich	8/19/26	Atlanta United FC	58'	
23	Joaquín Pereyra	8/22/26	San Jose Earthquakes	10'	
24	Kelvin Yeboah	8/22/26	San Jose Earthquakes	40'	
25	Kelvin Yeboah	8/22/26	San Jose Earthquakes	44'	
26	Marcus Caldeira	8/22/26	San Jose Earthquakes	65'	
27	Mauricio González	8/22/26	San Jose Earthquakes	86'	
28	Marcus Caldeira	8/29/26	Orlando City SC	71'	
29	Anthony Markanich	8/29/26	Orlando City SC	74'	*

+ - Free Kick

* - Corner Kick

#	Player	Date	Opponent	Min	
30	Kelvin Yeboah	8/29/26	Orlando City SC	75'	
31	Marcus Caldeira	9/5/26	Portland Timbers	32'	
32	Anthony Markanich	9/5/26	Portland Timbers	38'	
33	Marcus Caldeira	9/5/26	Portland Timbers	50'	
34	Tomás Chancalay	9/5/26	Portland Timbers	90' + 2'	
35	Kelvin Yeboah	9/9/26	FC Dallas	73'	
36	Tomás Chancalay	9/12/26	St. Louis City SC	5'	
37	Kelvin Yeboah	9/12/26	St. Louis City SC	61'	^
38	Marcus Caldeira	9/19/26	LA Galaxy	23'	
39	Kelvin Yeboah	9/19/26	LA Galaxy	30'	^
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^ - Penalty Kick

- Throw In

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MINNESOTA UNITED MLS TEAM RECORDS

Consecutive Wins (Overall)	4	4/4/2026	-	4/25/26
Consecutive Wins (Home)	4	7/4/2018	-	7/22/2018
Consecutive Wins (Away)	4	4/4/2026	-	5/16/2026
Consecutive Games Unbeaten (Overall)	10	9/27/2020	-	12/7/2020
Consecutive Games Unbeaten (Home)	10	6/29/2019	-	9/29/2019
Consecutive Games Unbeaten (Away)	9	5/28/2025	-	9/27/2025
Consecutive Losses (Overall)	6	6/15/2024	-	7/7/2024
Consecutive Losses (Home)	3	6/22/2024	-	7/17/2024
Consecutive Losses (Away)	8	3/24/2018	-	7/28/2018
Consecutive Clean Sheets (Overall)	3	9/21/2024	-	10/5/2024
Consecutive Clean Sheets (Home)	4	7/13/2019	-	8/14/2019

Consecutive Clean Sheets (Away)	4	9/21/2024	-	10/29/2024
Consecutive Games with Goals Scored (Overall)	13	6/19/2022	-	8/27/2022
Consecutive Games with Goals Scored (Home)	12	9/23/2023	-	6/8/2024
Consecutive Games with Goals Scored (Away)	10	9/12/2018	-	4/19/2019
Consecutive Games without a Goal (Overall)	3	8/31/2022	-	9/10/2022
Consecutive Games without a Goal (Home)	3	7/4/2017	-	7/22/2017
Consecutive Games without a Goal (Away)	3	9/11/2019	-	10/6/2019
Largest Margin of Victory	6	6/29/2019	vs.	Cincinnati
Largest Margin of Defeat	6	3/22/2026	vs.	Vancouver
Most Goals Scored in a Game	7	6/29/2019	vs.	Cincinnati
Most Goals Conceded in a Game	6	3/15/2026	vs.	Vancouver

REGULAR SEASON TEAM RECORDS

Stat	Year	#
Goals	2024	58
Assists	2024	61
Yellow Cards	2022	81
Red Cards	2018	7
Points	2025	58
Wins	2025	16
Losses	2018	20
Draws	2023	11
Shutouts	2019, 2021	11
Goals Allowed	2018	71

ALL-TIME STATS ALL COMPETITIONS

Stat	#
Wins	136
Losses	141
Draws	88
Goals	552
Assists	518
Shutouts	83
Yellow Cards	717
Red Cards	37
Goals Allowed	570

ALL-TIME INDIVIDUAL RECORDS (ALL COMPETITIONS)

Game	Season	MNUFC Career
4 Goals Teemu Pukki, 10/7/2023	17 Goals Bongokuhle Hlongwane, 2023	39 Goals Robin Lod
3 Goals Darwin Quintero, 7/4/2018 Angelo Rodriguez, 7/10/2019*	18 Assists Joaquín Pereyra, 2025	46 Assists Emanuel Reynoso
3 Assists Jan Gregus, 6/29/2019 Robin Lod, 11/8/2020 Emanuel Reynoso, 8/4/2023^ Joaquín Pereyra, 8/2/2025^	98 Shots Bongokuhle Hlongwane, 2023	303 Shots Robin Lod
9 Shots Bongokuhle Hlongwane, 5/27/2023	46 Shots on Goal Bongokuhle Hlongwane, 2023	121 Shots on Goal Robin Lod
5 Shots on Goal Adrien Hunou, 6/19/2021 Teemu Pukki, 10/7/2023	164 Saves Dayne St. Clair, 2023	544 Saves Dayne St. Clair
16 Saves Dayne St. Clair, 7/30/2024^	3600 Minutes Vito Mannone, 2019	25,820 Minutes Michael Boxall
	19 Wins Vito Mannone, 2019	65 Wins Dayne St. Clair
	11 Clean Sheets Vito Mannone, 2019 Tyler Miller, 2021 Dayne St. Clair, 2025	42 Clean Sheets Dayne St. Clair
	43 Appearances Bongokuhle Hlongwane, 2025	294 Appearances Mihael Boxall

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MOST RECENT TEAM ACHIEVEMENTS

Last home win	3-1 vs. Atlante F.C. **	8/11/2026
Last home loss	2-3 vs. LA Galaxy	9/19/2026
Last home draw	3-3 vs. Orlando City SC	8/29/2026
Last away win	5-1 @ San Jose Earthquakes	8/22/2026
Last away loss	2-4 @ St. Louis City SC	9/12/2026
Last away draw	1-1 @ Real Salt Lake	8/15/2026
Held scoreless	0 (2)-0 (4)D vs. Tigres UANL**	8/7/2026
Scored 1 goal	1-2 L vs FC Dallas	9/9/2026
Scored 2 goals	2-3 L vs.LA Galaxy	9/19/2026
Scored 3+ goals	5-4 L @ Portland Timbers	9/5/2026
Clean sheet	0 (2)-0 (4)D vs. Tigres UANL**	8/7/2026
Allowed 1 goal	5-1 @ W San Jose Earthquakes	8/22/2026
Allowed 2 goals	2-1 L vs FC Dallas	9/9/2026
Allowed 3+ goals	2-3 L @ LA Galaxy	9/19/2026

* Indicates a game in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup. ^ Indicates a game in the MLS Cup Playoffs. ** Indicates a game in Leagues Cup. All other achievements reflect league play.

MOST RECENT INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Minnesota United	Scored hat trick	Teemu Pukki vs. LA	10/7/2023
	Multi-goal game	Marcus Caldeira (2G) vs. POR	9/5/2026
	Multi-assist game	Owen Gene, Kyle Duncan, Joaquín Pereyra (2A) vs. SJE	8/22/2026
	Multi-point game	Kelvin Yeboah (1 G, 1A) vs. ORL	8/29/2026
	Sent off	Joseph Rosales @ SEA ^	11/08/2025
Opposition	Successful PK	Kelvin Yeboah vs. LAG	9/19/2025
	Unsuccessful PK	Joaquín Pereyra vs. TIG**	8/7/2026
	GK penalty save	Dayne St. Clair @ NYC	4/6/2025
	Scored hat trick	Vincent Janssen, Portland Timbers	9/5/2024
	Multi-goal game	Brian White (2G), VAN	3/15/2026
	Multi-assist game	Sebastian Berhalter (2A), VAN	3/15/2026
	Multi-point game	Sebastian Berhalter (2G, 1A), VAN	3/15/2025
	Sent off	Christopher McVey, SDFC	4/11/2026
	Successful PK	Rafael Navarro , STL	9/12/2026
	Unsuccessful PK	Hugo Cuypers, CHI	9/20/2025
	GK penalty save	Zac MacMath, RSL^	11/2/2024

MINNESOTA UNITED FIRSTS

First game	1-5 loss against Portland, Portland, OR, 3/3/2017	First caution	Johan Venegas against Portland, Portland, OR, 3/3/2017
First win	4-2 win against Real Salt Lake Minneapolis, MN, 4/1/2017	First ejection	Justin Davis against Colorado Commerce City, CO, 3/18/2017
First home game	1-6 loss against Atlanta, Minneapolis, MN, 3/12/2017	First playoff game	1-2 loss against LA, Saint Paul, MN, 10/20/2019
First draw	2-2 against Colorado, Commerce City, CO, 3/18/2017	First playoff goal	Jan Gregus in 1-2 loss against LA, Saint Paul, MN, 10/20/2019
First goal	Christian Ramirez in 1-5 loss against Portland, Portland, OR, 3/3/2017	First playoff assist	Darwin Quintero in 1-2 loss against LA, Saint Paul, MN, 10/20/2019
First home goal	Kevin Molino in 1-6 loss against Atlanta, Minneapolis, MN, 3/12/2017	First playoff caution	Osvaldo Alonso in 1-2 loss against LA, Saint Paul, MN, 10/20/2019
First assist	Johan Venegas to Christian Ramirez in 1-5 loss against Portland, Portland, OR, 3/3/2017	First playoff win	3-0 win against COL Saint Paul, MN, 11/22/2020
First clean sheet	Bobby Shuttleworth in 1-0 win against Colorado, Minneapolis, MN, 4/23/2017		

MINNESOTA UNITED ALL-TIME INDIVIDUAL HONORS

MLS PLAYER OF THE WEEK/ MATCHDAY Kevin Molino (M) Week 31, 2017 Darwin Quintero (M) Week 19, 2018 Mason Toye (F) Week 26, 2019 Ike Opara (D) Week 2, 2020 Kevin Molino (M) Week 23, 2020 Dayne St. Clair (GK) Week 3, 2022 Emanuel Reynoso (M) Week 21, 2022 Week 29, 2023 Teemu Pukki (F) Week 37, 2023 Tani Oluwaseyi (F) Week 4, 2025	MLS SAVE OF THE WEEK Bobby Shuttleworth (GK) Week 5, 2017 MLS GOAL OF THE MATCHDAY Nectarios Triantis (M) Matchday 33, 2025 Matchday 3, 2026 MLS ALL-STAR Francisco Calvo (D) 2018 Darwin Quintero (M) 2018 Romain Metanire (D) 2019 Emanuel Reynoso (M) 2021, 2022 Dayne St. Clair (GK) 2022, 2025 Robin Lod (M)	2024 Michael Boxall (D) 2025 Anthony Markanich (D) 2026 MLS ENERGY MOMENT OF THE MATCHDAY Nectarios Triantis (M) Matchday 37, 2025	HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR Matt Lampson (GK), 2018 MLS DEFENDER OF THE YEAR Ike Opara, 2019 MLS GOALKEEPER OF THE YEAR Vito Mannone, 2019 Dayne St. Clair, 2025 MLS BEST XI Vito Mannone, 2019 Ike Opara, 2019 Dayne St. Clair, 2025
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MINNESOTA UNITED NUMERICAL ROSTER AND PRONUNCIATIONS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Birthplace	First Name	Last Name
1	Alec Smir	GK	6' 2"	183	Greensboro, North Carolina		sMUHR (like smurf, w/o the f)
2	Devin Padelford*	D	6' 0"	183	Maplewood, Minnesota		PUH-dell-ford
3	Kyle Duncan	D	5' 10"	150	New York, NY		
5	Nicolás Romero	D	6' 1"	201	Chumbicha, Argentina		roh-MEH-roh
6	Peter Stroud	M	5' 10"	150	Chester, NJ		STROWD
7	Dominik Fitz*	M	5' 9"	148	Vienna, Austria		FITS
8	Tomás Chancalay	F	5' 10"	168	Viale, Argentina		chan-kah-LIE
9	Kelvin Yeboah	F	6' 0"	172	Accra, Ghana		YEH-boh-ah
11	Maurice Malone	F	6'11"		Augsburg, Germany		
12	Drake Callender	GK	6' 3"	194	Sacramento, CA,		
13	Anthony Markanich	D	6' 1"	159	Bourbonnais, IL,		
14	Kenyel Michel	F	5' 7"		Puerto Limón, Costa Rica		
15	Michael Boxall	D	6' 3"	209	Auckland, New Zealand		
16	Aziel Jackson	M	5' 9"	154	New York City, NY, USA		
17	Darius Randell	F	6' 0"	161	Monrovia, Liberia		
18	Mauricio González	F	5' 11"	165	Lloró, Chocó, Colombia.		
19	Britton Fischer*	D	6'4"	181	Greenville, North Carolina		
20	Wil Trapp	M	5' 8"	161	Columbus, OH		
21	Bongokuhle Hlongwane	F	6' 1"	172	Nxamalala, South Africa	bongo-HOOK-leh	hlong-GWAHN-eh
22	Marcus Caldeira	F	6'2"	184	Mississauga, Ontario, Canada		call-DEH-rah
23	Morris Duggan	D	6' 4"	205	Munich, Germany		DUG-in
24	Julian Gressel	M	6' 0"	185	Neustadt an der Aisch, Germany		GRESS-el
25	Nectarios Triantis	M	6' 3"	172	Sydney, Australia	nek-TAHR-ee-ohs	try-AHN-tiss
26	Joaquín Pereyra	M	5' 11"	170	Paraná, Argentina		
27	DJ Taylor	D	5' 8"	183	Raleigh, NC		
28	Jefferson Diaz	D	6' 1"	183	San Andrés, Colombia		
29	Mamadou Dieng	F	6' 2"	170	Dakar, Senegal	MAH-mah-doo	JENG
30	Owen Gene	M	6' 1"	161	Nanterre, France	OH-en	zhen
33	Kieran Chandler	D	5' 9"	154	Simsbury, CT		CHAND-ler
52	Cherrion Valerius	D	6'4"		Rotterdam, Netherlands	Cheh-REE-ohn	VA-leh-rus
67	Carlos Harvey	M	6' 1"	196	Panama City, Panama		HAR-vee
94	Kayne Rizvanovich	GK	6' 4"	201	Chicago, IL		riz-vohn-A-vitch
96	Wessel Speel*	GK	6' 7"	198	Utrecht, Netherlands	WESS-uhl	SPEEL
99	Jordan Adebayo-Smith	F	5' 11"	172	Colton, CA		ah-DEH-bye-oh-SMITH
	Hoyeon Jung*	M	5' 11"	161	Mokpo, Jeollanam-do, South Korea	HOH-yeon	JUNG

A full audio pronunciation guide can be found [HERE](#).

* Player On Loan

MINNESOTA UNITED TECHNICAL STAFF AND PRONUNCIATIONS

Position	Name	Yrs. w/ Club	Hometown	First Name	Last Name
Head Coach	Cameron Knowles	5	Auckland, New Zealand		nols
Assistant Coach	Josh Wolff	1	Stone Mountain, GA USA		
Assistant Coach	Danny Cruz		Petersburg, VA		
Assistant Coach	Tom Soehn		Chicago, IL		sown
Goalkeeping Coach	Cristiano Costa	4	Brazil		

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2/21 ATX	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Taylor	RB Hlongwane	LM Pereyra	CM Trapp	CM Triantis	RM Chancalay	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 2-2 ATX; Venue: Q2 Stadium, Austin, TX; Attendance: 20,728											
2/28 CIN	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Diaz	RB Hlongwane	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-0 CIN; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,609											
3/7 NSH	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Hlongwane	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-3 NSH; Venue: GEODIS Park, Nashville, TN; Attendance: 24,387											
3/15 VAN	GK Callender	LB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Harvey	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Triantis	CM Trapp	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 0-6 VAN; Venue: BC Place, Vancouver, BC; Attendance: 23,885											
3/22 SEA	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 0-0 SEA; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,637											
4/4 LA	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 2-1 LA; Venue: Dignity Health Sports Park, Carson, CA; Attendance: 22,447											
4/11 SDFC	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-2 SDFC; Venue: Snapdragon Stadium, San Diego, CA; Attendance: 23,394											
4/14 SAC	GK Smir	LB Chandler	CB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Harvey	RB Taylor	LM Dieng	CM Trapp	CM Gene	RM Hlongwane	CF Rodriguez
Score: MIN 0 (9) - 0 (8) SAC; Venue: Heart Health Park, Sacramento, CA; Attendance: 7,513											
4/18 POR	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: 2-0 POR; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota ; Attendance: 19,617											
4/22 DAL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-0 DAL; Venue: Toyota Stadium, Frisco, Texas; Attendance: 11,004											
4/25 LAFC	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Trapp	LM Rodriguez	CM Triantis	CM Hlongwane	RM Dieng	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 0-1 LAFC; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,710											
4/28 SJ	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 2-4 SJ; Venue: PayPal Park, San Jose, California Attendance: 10,834											
5/2 CLB	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Gene	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 3-2 CLB; Venue: ScottsMiracle-Gro Field, Columbus, Ohio; Attendance: 18,904											
5/10 ATX	GK Callender	LB Padelford	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	LM Markanich	CM Gene	CM Triantis	LM Chancalay	CF Yeboah	CF Rodriguez
Score: MIN 2-2 ATX; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 18,749											
5/13 COL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Pereyra	CM Trapp	CM Rodriguez	RM Gene	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 0 - 1 COL Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 18,458											
5/16 NE	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Triantis	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-2 NE; Venue: Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Massachusetts; Attendance: 26,385											
5/23 RSL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Pereyra	CM Gene	CM Chancalay	RM Triantis	CF Dieng
Score: MIN 1 - 1 RSL Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,838											
7/22 SKC	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Gene	RM Pereyra	CF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-2 SKC; Venue: Sporting Park, Kansas City, KS; Attendance: 15,378											
7/25 VAN	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Pereyra	CM Gene	CM Trapp	RF Yeboah	BF Dieng
Score: MIN 0 - 0 VAN Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 18,845											
8/1 SDFC	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Duggan	CB Boxall	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Pereyra	CM Gene	CM Trapp	RM Chancalay	CF Dieng
Score: MIN 1 - 1 VAN Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,607											

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8/4 FCJ	GK Smir	LB Harvey	CB Padelford	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Markanich	CM Chancalay	CM Owen	RF Dieng	LF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-2 FCJ; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 16,022											
8/7 TIG	GK Smir	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Harvey	RB Hlongwane	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Owen	RM Pereyra	CF Dieng
Score: MIN 0 (2)- 0 (4) TIG; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 16,705											
8/11 ATL	GK Smir	LB Chandler	CB Padelford	CB Diaz	CB Taylor	RB Duncan	LM Pereyra	CM Trapp	CM Gressel	RF Gonzalez	LF Yeboah
Score: MIN 3-1 ATL; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 11,453											
8/15 RSL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	LM Chancalay	CM Trapp	CM Owen	RM Pereyra	CF Dieng
Score: MIN 1 - 1 RSL; Venue: America First Field, Sandy, Utah; Attendance: 20,119											
8/19 ATL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Hlongwane	LM Pereyra	CM Trapp	CM Gene	RM Chancalay	LF Caldeira
Score: MIN 1-2 ATL; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,210											
8/22 SJ	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	CAM Pereyra	CM Owen	CM Trapp	LF Caldeira	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 5 - 1 SJ; Venue: PayPal Park, San Jose, California; Attendance: 14,517											
8/29 ORL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	CAM Pereyra	CM Owen	RM Trapp	LF Caldeira	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 3-3 ORL; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,352											
9/5 POR	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	CAM Pereyra	CM Owen	CM Trapp	LF Caldeira	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 4-5 POR; Venue: Providence Park, Portland, Oregon; Attendance: 20,632											
9/9 DAL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Duggan	CB Diaz	RB Duncan	CAM Pereyra	CM Triantis	RM Trapp	LF Caldeira	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 1-2 DAL; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 18,109											
9/12 STL	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Boxall	CB Harvey	CB Rmoero	RB Duncan	CM Pereyra	RM Owen	CM Trapp	LM Chancalay	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 2-4 STL; Venue: Energizer Park, St. Louis, MO; Attendance: 22,423											
9/19 LAG	GK Callender	LB Markanich	CB Romero	CB Duggan	CB Harvey	RB Duncan	CAM Pereyra	CM Gene	RM Trapp	LF Caldeira	RF Yeboah
Score: MIN 2-3 LAG; Venue: Allianz Field, Saint Paul, Minnesota; Attendance: 19,634											

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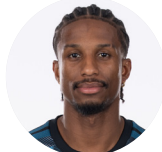
MINNESOTA UNITED FC 2026 ROSTER IN NUMERICAL ORDER



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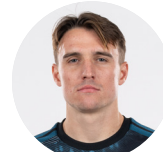
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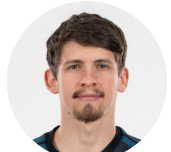
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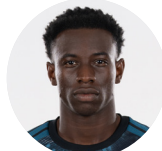
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DOMINIK FITZ
#7 - Midfielder



TOMÁS CHANCALAY
#8 - Forward



KELVIN YEBOAH
#9 - Forward



MAURICE MALONE
#11 - Forward



DRAKE CALLENDER
#12 - Goalkeeper



ANTHONY MARKANICH
#13 - Defender



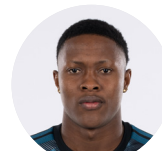
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#16 - Midfielder



DARIUS RANDELL
#17 - Forward



MAURICIO GONZÁLEZ
#18 - Forward



WIL TRAPP
#20 - Midfielder



BONGOKUHLE HLONGWANE
#21 - Forward



MARCUS CALDEIRA
#22 - Forward



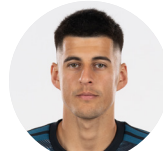
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#23 - Defender



JULIAN GRESSEL
#24 - Midfielder



NECTARIOS TRIANTIS
#25 - Midfielder



JOAQUÍN PEREYRA
#26 - Midfielder



DJ TAYLOR
#27 - Defender



JEFFERSON DIAZ
#28 - Defender



MAMADOU DIENG
#29 - Midfielder



OWEN GENE
#30 - Midfielder



KIERAN CHANDLER
#33 - Defender



CHERRION VALERIUS
#52 - Defender



CARLOS HARVEY
#67 - Midfielder



JORDAN ADEBAYO-SMITH
#99 - Forward

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#99 | JORDAN ADEBAYO-SMITH

FORWARD

Height: 5'11" **Weight:** 171
Birthdate: 1/11/2001
Hometown: East London, England
Previous Club: New England Revolution II
Acquired: Signed on 1/15/2024

Minnesota United signed New England Revolution II forward Jordan Adebayo-Smith to a three-year contract with a club option for 2027. Prior to signing Adebayo-Smith, MNUFC traded \$125,000 in 2024 General Allocation Money (GAM) to the New England Revolution, and in exchange acquired his Affiliate Priority Player Rights. New England could receive up to \$50,000 in additional GAM if certain performance-based conditions are met.

Adebayo-Smith made his Major League Soccer debut with Minnesota United on March 2, 2024, in the final eight minutes of a thrilling 1-1 draw against the Columbus Crew. He appeared in 11 regular-season matches overall for the Loons. Adebayo-Smith also played 19 matches for MNUFC2 across all competitions, scoring five goals and recording three assists.

In the 2025 season, Adebayo-Smith went on loan with the USL Championship side Detroit City FC. With Detroit City FC, Adebayo-Smith had 21 appearances across all competitions and provided the team with two assists in a little over 580 minutes. He made his debut on March 15 in the 2-1 win against Colorado Springs Switchbacks FC. Adebayo-Smith also featured in the Conference Semifinals for Le Rouge, where they tied the match 0-0 but unfortunately lost to Pittsburgh Riverhounds SC 4-3 in a penalty shootout.

JORDAN ADEBAYO-SMITH STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	0	0	0	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	11	1	247	0	1	2

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	1	3/9/24, MIN @ ORL
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	6/8/24, MIN vs. DAL
SHOTS	3	6/8/24, MIN vs. DAL
FOULS COMMITTED	2	3 times, last: 6/15/2024, MIN @ SEA
FOULS SUFFERED	1	4/13/24, MIN vs. HOU

#15 | MICHAEL BOXALL

DEFENDER

Height: 6'3" **Weight:** 209
Birthdate: 8/18/1988
Hometown: Auckland, New Zealand
Previous Club: SuperSport United
Acquired: Signed 7/12/2017

New Zealand international Michael Boxall joined Minnesota United on July 12, 2017. As a nine-year veteran, he brings invaluable experience and leadership to the backline and has remained a cornerstone of the Loons' defense since their inaugural MLS season.

Boxall has made 276 appearances across all competitions, the most of any Loons since joining MLS, and has scored eight MLS goals with MNUFC, his most notable goal came against Sporting Kansas City in the 2024 MLS regular season on April 27, when he scored the second-fastest goal in club history, one minute and five seconds into the match. On September 19, 2020, "Boxy" surpassed Miguel Ibarra on the club's all-time appearance list. During the 2024 campaign, the MNUFC veteran played his 200th MLS regular-season game against Austin FC during the season opener on February 24. Boxy is the only Minnesota United player to start and play every minute of any playoff match for Minnesota, totaling 12 matches and 1,080 minutes across the playoffs.

During the 2024 campaign, Boxall reached several milestones, including playing his 200th MLS regular season game in the season opener against Austin FC and making his 400th career appearance across professional club and international play in a match against Houston Dynamo FC. He is also the only Minnesota United player to start and play every minute of every playoff match in club history, totaling nine matches and 840 minutes.

Internationally, Boxall was selected as one of New Zealand's overage players for the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics, starting and playing in all three fixtures for the All Whites.

For the first time in his career, Boxall has been selected to the MLS All-Star Game in 2025, that took place on July 23 in Austin, Texas, honoring his consistent form and veteran presence throughout the 2025 season.

MICHAEL BOXALL STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	17	15	1296	0	1	5
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	279	273	24478	8	8	59

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	8 times, last: 5/24/25, MIN vs. ATX
ASSISTS	1	8 times, last: 5/23/26, MIN vs. RSL
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	3/7/20, MIN @ SJ
SHOTS	2	12 times, last: 7/16/25, MIN vs. LAF
FOULS COMMITTED	5	7/17/24, MIN vs. DC
FOULS SUFFERED	4	6/25/25 MIN vs. HOU

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#22 | MARCUS CALDEIRA

FORWARD

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 184
Birthdate: 10/14/2004
Hometown: Mississauga, Ontario, Canada
Previous Club: West Virginia Mountaineers
Acquired: Signed 1/28/2026

The 21-year-old Canadian forward was added to Minnesota United's squad after the club selected him with the 20th overall pick of the MLS SuperDraft 2024 and signed him to one-year deal on Jan. 28, 2026.

Caldeira joined Minnesota United after a standout collegiate career at West Virginia University, where he became a consistent attacking presence for the Mountaineers. Across four seasons, Caldeira made 84 appearances (77 starts), logging 5,956 minutes while recording 42 goals and 15 assists, ranking among the program's most productive attackers during his tenure.

Caldeira made an immediate impact during his freshman campaign in 2022, appearing in 18 matches (15 starts) and leading the Mountaineers with five goals while adding four assists. As a sophomore in 2023, he led the Sun Belt Conference and ranked 16th nationally with 12 goals, earning College Soccer News First-Team All-American, United Soccer Coaches Second-Team All-American, and All-Sun Belt First Team honors. He followed that season with another strong campaign in 2024, scoring 11 goals and earning All-Sun Belt Second Team recognition. In his senior season, Caldeira earned Sun Belt Player of the Year and Sun Belt Offensive Player of the Year honors after leading the conference with 14 goals and seven assists, while ranking fourth nationally with six game-winning goals. He was also named All-Sun Belt First Team and Sun Belt Preseason Player of the Year.

Before committing to West Virginia, the Mississauga, Ontario native gained valuable experience playing with Forge FC of the Canadian Premier League and Sigma FC of League1 Ontario. Caldeira also attended Port Credit Secondary School, where he was twice named Athlete of the Year.

MARCUS CALDEIRA STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	8	6	443	5	1	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	8	6	443	5	1	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	9/5/26, MIN @ POR
ASSISTS	1	8/15/26, MIN @ RSL
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	2 times; last 9/19/25, MIN vs. LA
SHOTS	4	9/9/26, MIN vs. DAL
FOULS COMMITTED	2	9/19/26, MIN vs. LA
FOULS SUFFERED	2	8/19/26, MIN vs. ATL



#12 | DRAKE CALLENDER

GOALKEEPER

Height: 6'3" **Weight:** 194
Birthdate: 10/7/1997
Hometown: Sacramento, California
Previous Club: Charlotte FC
Acquired: Signed 12/29/2025

The 27-year-old American goalkeeper was added to Minnesota United's squad after the club acquired him from Charlotte FC in exchange for General Allocation Money (GAM).

Callender joins the Loons after finishing the 2025 MLS season with Charlotte FC. Prior to his time in Charlotte, the goalkeeper spent several seasons with Inter Miami CF, where he made 118 appearances across all competitions and recorded 19 clean sheets, competing in MLS, the Concacaf Champions Cup, the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup, and Leagues Cup. During his time in South Florida, Callender helped Inter Miami capture the 2023 Leagues Cup title and the 2024 Supporters' Shield, establishing himself as a consistent presence between the posts.

Callender's professional career includes several notable individual and team achievements. During the 2023 Leagues Cup, he played a pivotal role in the final by scoring a penalty kick and saving two attempts during the penalty shootout, earning Best Goalkeeper of the Tournament and Man of the Match honors. He was also named a finalist for the 2022 MLS Goalkeeper of the Year award, highlighting his standing among the league's top goalkeepers.

Internationally, Callender has represented the United States, earning call-ups and roster selections in both 2023 and 2024 for the Concacaf Nations League semifinal and final matches, but has yet to make a national team debut.

DRAKE CALLENDER STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	GA	CS
2026 REGULAR SEASON	26	26	2295	44	5
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	118	117	10489	184	19

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
SAVES	8	2 times; last: 2/25/24, MIA vs. LAG
SHOTS FACED	11	7/15/23, MIA vs STL
GOALS ALLOWED	6	2 times; last: 3/15/26, MIN vs VAN
FOULS COMMITTED	0	N/A
FOULS SUFFERED	3	3/16/24, MIA @ DC
ASSISTS	0	N/A

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#8 | TOMÁS CHANCALAY

FORWARD

Height: 5'10" **Weight:** 165
Birthdate: 1/1/1999
Hometown: Viale, Argentina
Previous Club: New England Revolution
Acquired: Signed 12/26/2025

The 26-year-old Argentine winger was added to Minnesota United's squad after the club acquired him in a cash-for-player trade from the New England Revolution. Minnesota United signed Chancalay through the 2027-28 MLS season, with a club option for the 2028-29 season, as the experienced attacker brings versatility and proven MLS production to the Loons' attack.

Chancalay joined Minnesota United after spending two-and-a-half seasons with the New England Revolution, where he made 58 appearances across all competitions, scoring 17 goals and adding three assists. During the 2025 season, the winger recorded four goals and two assists in 26 appearances after returning from an ACL injury sustained in May 2024.

Chancalay began his professional career in the youth system of CA Colón, joining the club in 2006 and signing his first professional contract in 2017. He made his professional debut on August 26, 2017, and went on to make 80 appearances for the Argentine side, tallying eight goals and seven assists. Following a loan stint, Chancalay was permanently transferred to Racing Club, where he recorded 17 goals and nine assists in 80 appearances for the Primera División side. Prior to his move to New England in July 2023, Chancalay spent time on loan with Emirati club Al-Wasl, where he totaled 16 goal contributions, 11 goals, and five assists across 27 appearances.

Internationally, Chancalay has represented Argentina at the youth level, earning two appearances with the Argentina U20 National Team at the 2019 FIFA U20 World Cup.

TOMÁS CHANCALAY STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	26	18	1628	4	4	4
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	75	51	4589	16	7	15

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	2 times, last: 10/14/23, NE @ NSH
ASSISTS	2	April 4, 2026, MIN at LA
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	4 times, last: 5/24/25, NE @ KC
SHOTS	8	10/4/23, NE vs. CLB
FOULS COMMITTED	5	2 times, last: 9/27/25, NE vs. ATL
FOULS SUFFERED	3	3 times, last: 5/23/26, MIN vs. RSL



#33 | KIERAN CHANDLER

DEFENDER

Height: 5'9" **Weight:** 154
Birthdate: 6/9/2006
Hometown: Simsbury, Connecticut
Previous Club: MNUFC2
Acquired: Signed 8/23/2025

Minnesota United signed defender Kieran Chandler from MNUFC2 to a one-and-a-half-year contract through the end of the 2026 season, with club options for 2027 and 2028.

Kieran Chandler, a 20-year-old defender from Simsbury, Connecticut, joined Minnesota United from MNUFC2. Before signing his first-team contract, Chandler made 24 appearances (23 starts) for MNUFC2 in MLS NEXT Pro, contributing six assists and a goal and establishing himself as a consistent presence along the back line. He originally joined the club after being selected 43rd overall by Minnesota United in the 2025 MLS SuperDraft.

His lone goal of the 2025 season came in the final home match of the regular season, securing a 3-1 victory. During the playoff run, he made three appearances and added an assist in the quarterfinals against Real Monarchs, helping Momoh Kamara score the 86th-minute winner to send the Twos through and keep their postseason run alive.

Chandler made his MLS debut on May 14, 2025, against Houston Dynamo FC, playing 65 minutes on a short-term call-up. He also made his first U.S. Open Cup appearance on May 7, 2025, helping Minnesota earn a 1-0 victory over Louisville City FC.

Collegiately with UConn, he started all 18 matches for the Huskies in 2024, providing four assists in nearly 1,400 minutes played. Across his two seasons at UConn, Chandler made a total of 32 starts. At the youth level, he played for FSA FC in Farmington, Connecticut, and spent time in the New England Revolution Academy system.

KIERAN CHANDLER STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	1	0	9	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	2	1	74	0	0	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	0	N/A
FOULS COMMITTED	0	N/A
FOULS SUFFERED	0	N/A

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#28 | JEFFERSON DIAZ

DEFENDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 182

Birthdate: 12/5/2000

Hometown: San Andrés, Colombia

Previous Club: Deportivo Cali

Acquired: Signed 7/29/2024

Jefferson Diaz joined the club during the 2024 Secondary Transfer Window in July, signing a three-year deal with a club option for 2028.

Prior to Minnesota United, Diaz with Deportivo Cali of Colombia's top division, where he made 50 game appearances across all competitions, scored five goals, and provided three assists since 2023.

The native Colombian has played in over 100 professional games since making his professional debut in 2017 with his youth club, Real Cartagena of Colombia's second division. Initially, Diaz played as a striker during his time with Real Cartagena but transitioned back to a defensive role during the 2021 campaign.

Diaz made his MLS and MNUFC debut in front of home fans on August 24, 2024, starting the match at center back and playing the full 90 minutes. Since joining the squad, the native Colombian has proved himself time and again in the Loons' back line. He continued to play his role as a center defender in the Audi 2024 MLS Cup Playoffs, making his postseason debut in Game 1 against Real Salt Lake. He made a total of three appearances (three starts) while recording his first MLS assist during the same playoff run.

In the 2025 season, Diaz made 35 appearances (32 starts), becoming a crucial anchor in the back line. Diaz also added his first club goal during the 2025 MLS Cup Playoffs in the first-round third game, where MNUFC tied the match 3-3 to force penalty kicks and eventually advanced to the Western Conference Semifinals. Diaz also recorded four assists during the season, all in regular-season play.

JEFFERSON DIAZ STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	24	21	1839	0	2	8
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	60	54	4544	0	6	15

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	1	6 times; last: 5/2/26, MIN @ CLB
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	2 times; last 3/15/26, MIN @ VAN
SHOTS	3	4 time; last 5/13/26, MIN vs. COL
FOULS COMMITTED	5	3/15/2026 MIN @ VAN
FOULS SUFFERED	3	4 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL



#29 | MAMADOU DIENG

FORWARD

Height: 6'2" **Weight:** 170

Birthdate: 2/4/2004

Hometown: Dakar, Senegal

Previous Club: Hartford Athletic

Acquired: Signed 8/22/2025

Senegalese forward Mamadou Dieng joined Minnesota United during the 2025 MLS Secondary Transfer Window, signing a one-and-a-half-year contract through 2026, with club options for 2027 and 2028. He occupies an international roster spot.

In Dieng's debut season, he played his first match as a Minnesota United player on August 30 against the Portland Timbers at home, just one week after being announced as a new signing with MNUFC. He made four appearances and one start in MLS.

Dieng arrived in Minnesota from Hartford Athletic of the USL Championship, where he made a significant impact across two seasons. The young striker scored 23 goals in 57 matches across all competitions, becoming Hartford's all-time leading scorer. In his breakout 2024 season, Dieng led the club with 11 goals, and in 2025 he continued his form with 12 more, including a stretch of five goals in three matches between July 30 and August 9, highlighted by two braces in separate games.

Before his move to the United States, Dieng developed through Sahel Academy in Senegal.

MAMADOU DIENG STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	18	5	496	0	0	1
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	22	6	607	0	0	1

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	July 25, 2026, MIN vs VAN
SHOTS	4	July 25, 2026, MIN vs VAN
FOULS COMMITTED	2	3 times; last: 8/1/26, MIN vs SD
FOULS SUFFERED	3	July 25, 2026, MIN vs VAN

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#23 | MORRIS DUGGAN

DEFENDER

Height: 6'4" **Weight:** 205
Birthdate: 10/24/2000
Hometown: Munich, Germany
Previous Club: Marshall University
Acquired: Selected 67th in 2024 MLS Superdraft

MNUFC selected Morris Duggan with the 67th overall pick of the 2024 MLS SuperDraft. After joining Marshall University's team in 2022, the Munich, Germany native became a mainstay in the Herd's defense. As a junior, Duggan appeared and started in all 19 of Marshall's matches, totaling 1,558 minutes. In 2023, he was named captain and was part of a defense that recorded the most shutouts (11) during a single season.

His performances earned him the league's Defensive Player of the Year award and First-Team All-Conference honors. Across his 37 total matches played with the Herd, the 23-year-old scored three goals and provided two assists. He was also named a MAC Hermann Trophy Semifinalist, alongside teammate Matthew Bell (Real Salt Lake).

In the 2024 season with Minnesota United, Duggan primarily played with MNUFC2, the club's MLS NEXT Pro team. Duggan played and started in 12 matches during the regular season and made two appearances (both starts) in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup with the second team.

Duggan made his MLS and MNUFC debut at Allianz Field as a substitute against FC Dallas on June 8, where Minnesota tied Dallas 1-1. The German defender also made his Leagues Cup debut as a substitute against Seattle Sounders FC and made the Starting XI against Club Necaxa.

For the remainder of the 2024 season, Duggan was loaned to Rhode Island FC of the USL Championship, where he made a total of 13 appearances.

Duggan returned to MNUFC for the 2025 season, where he made 30 appearances (23 starts) across all competitions and was crucial in helping anchor the defensive back line. He made his first MLS Playoff appearance in the second game of Round One against Seattle Sounders FC. Although Duggan added two assists, one proved crucial in the third game when he assisted Jefferson Diaz's first club goal to tie the match for MNUFC.

MORRIS DUGGAN STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	25	25	2233	1	2	5
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	48	39	3586	1	3	6

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	2/21/26, MIN at AXT
ASSISTS	1	2 times; last 9/5/25, MIN @ POR
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	5/2/25, MIN @ CLB
SHOTS	2	3 times; last 5/2/25, MIN @ CLB
FOULS COMMITTED	3	May 13, 2026, MIN @ COL
FOULS SUFFERED	2	3 times; last 9/8/26, MIN@ POR

#3 | KYLE DUNCAN

DEFENDER

Height: 5'10" **Weight:** 150
Birthdate: 8/8/1997
Hometown: Brooklyn, New York
Previous Club: Red Bull New York
Acquired: Signed 2/13/26

The 28-year-old right back arrives in Minnesota after having played eight seasons for Eastern Conference side Red Bull New York. With New York across all competitions, Duncan made 166 game appearances (132 starts), where he provided 17 assists and scored six goals in almost 12,500 minutes played on the pitch. The Brooklyn, New York native notably was a part of the squad that captured the MLS Supporters' Shield in 2018 and the Eastern Conference title during the 2024 MLS Cup Playoffs.

Duncan began his career developing with the Red Bull New York Academy before he signed his first professional contract with Valenciennes U19 in France. He then signed an MLS contract with RBNY in 2018 following his time with the French side.

Internationally, Duncan has most recently represented the Jamaica National Team, earning his first call-up for Jamaica during their 2026 FIFA World Cup Qualifier matches in September of 2025. The right back had previously competed with the United States, earning call-ups with the U18, U20 and senior national teams from 2015-20.

KYLE DUNCAN STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	22	20	1629	1	4	4
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	169	141	12830	7	25	41

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	7 times, last: 4/11/26, MIN @ SDFC
ASSISTS	2	4 times, last: 8/22/25, MIN @ SJE
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	3 times, last: 4/11/26, MIN @ SDFC
SHOTS	4	4/8/23, NYR vs. SJ
FOULS COMMITTED	5	4 times, last: 3/16/24, NYR @ CLB
FOULS SUFFERED	5	2 times, last: 10/7/23, NYR vs. TOR

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#30 | OWEN GENE

MIDFIELDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:**
Birthdate: 10/24/2000
Hometown: Nanterre, France
Previous Club: Amiens SC
Acquired: Transferred on 2/7/2025

Owen Gene arrived at Minnesota United from Amiens SC, where he played from 2021-25. During his time with the French club, Gene made 102 appearances, playing over 6,000 minutes and scoring one goal. During the 2024-25 Coupe de France, Gene featured in two key fixtures, helping Amiens secure victories in the Seventh and Eighth Rounds before the club was eliminated in the Round of 64.

In his MLS debut season, Gene made 30 appearances (nine starts), logging over 1,000 minutes. He was also included in one MLS NEXT Pro match with MNUFC2 against The Town, where Minnesota earned a 1-0 victory.

In his youth, the French midfielder developed through FC Versailles 78 (2014-2018) before joining Amiens SC U-17 (2018-2020) and progressing through their U-19 squad (2020-2021) prior to joining the Amiens SC senior team. Across all competitions with Amiens SC's first team, U-17, and U-19 sides, Gene tallied 131 appearances from 2020-2025.

Internationally, Gene made his debut for the French U-20 National Team on March 25, 2023, in an international friendly against the Netherlands.



#18 | MAURICIO GONZALEZ

FORWARD

Height: 5'10" **Weight:**
Birthdate: 09/15/2004
Hometown: Lloró, Colombia
Previous Club: Deportes Tolima
Acquired: Acquired 1/20/2026

González joins the Loons after spending half a season on loan with Deportes Tolima from Inter Palmira, where he scored five goals and tallied three assists in 27 appearances in the Colombian top flight. Prior to his loan with Deportes Tolima, González appeared in 58 matches for Palmira and recorded six goals.

His professional soccer career started in the youth system of Cortuluá (now Inter Palmira) in 2020, where he rose through the ranks and made his professional debut with the then first-division side in October 2022 after subbing in the final seven minutes of the match against Atlético Junior.

OWEN GENE STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	25	18	1583	0	4	3
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	47	23	2228	0	4	3

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	2	2 times; 8/22/26, MIN @ SJE
SHOTS ON GOAL	1	September 20, 2025, MIN vs CHI
SHOTS	1	10 times; Last: 9/5/26 MIN @ POR
FOULS COMMITTED	5	8/22/26, MIN @ SJE
FOULS SUFFERED	2	3 times; last 8/19/26, MIN vs ATL

MAURICIO GONZÁLEZ STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	14	0	158	2	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	14	0	158	2	0	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	2 times; 8/22/26, MIN @ SJE
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	April 18, 2026, MIN vs. POR
SHOTS	2	3 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL
FOULS COMMITTED	1	2 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL
FOULS SUFFERED	1	2 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL

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#24 | JULIAN GRESSEL

MIDFIELDER

Height: 6'0" **Weight:** 185
Birthdate: 12/16/1993
Hometown: Neustadt, Germany
Previous Club: Inter Miami CF
Acquired: Acquired 4/29/2025

Minnesota United signed MLS veteran Julian Gressel off waivers. Gressel is under contract through December 2026, with a club option for 2027.

A veteran of MLS, Gressel joins Minnesota United from Inter Miami CF, where he played for the South Florida side during the 2024 and 2025 seasons, making 32 MLS regular-season appearances and providing nine assists. Gressel was a mainstay for Miami and played a vital role in the squad that captured the 2024 MLS Supporters' Shield, setting a single-season league record with 74 points.

During the 2025 season with Minnesota United, Gressel made 30 appearances (17 starts), logging over 1,478 minutes across all competitions. The German-born midfielder made his 15th MLS Playoff appearance, adding two postseason appearances with MNUFC in Round One Games 1 and 2 against Seattle Sounders FC.

The German-born, United States international began his MLS career after being selected eighth overall in the 2017 MLS SuperDraft by Atlanta United FC. With Atlanta, Gressel made nearly 100 appearances, earned 2017 MLS Rookie of the Year honors, and helped the club capture the 2018 MLS Cup and the 2019 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup titles. He was later traded to D.C. United, where he featured prominently from 2020-22, before joining Vancouver Whitecaps FC from 2022-23 and winning back-to-back Canadian Championships. During the summer of 2023, Gressel joined the Columbus Crew, playing a key role in helping the club lift the 2023 MLS Cup trophy.

Overall, across all MLS competitions (regular season and MLS Cup Playoffs) since 2017, Gressel has made 281 appearances (244 starts), recording 83 assists and scoring 31 goals to date.

Internationally, Gressel has represented the United States Men's National Team. He received his first call-up in January 2023 and was named to the final squad for the 2023 Concacaf Gold Cup, earning his first cap in a group-stage victory over St. Kitts and Nevis. To date, Gressel has made six appearances for the U.S. Men's National Team.

JULIAN GRESSEL STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	4	0	55	0	0	1
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	270	233	20,030	27	81	26

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	5/31/23, VAN vs. HOU
ASSISTS	3	9/25/21, DC vs. CIN
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	Two times
SHOTS	7	6/2/18, ATL vs PHI
FOULS COMMITTED	4	Two times
FOULS SUFFERED	3	Three times

#67 | CARLOS HARVEY

MIDFIELDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 196
Birthdate: 2/3/2000
Hometown: Panama City, Panama
Previous Club: Phoenix Rising FC
Acquired: Transferred on 01/24/2024

Minnesota United acquired defensive midfielder Carlos Harvey from USL Championship side Phoenix Rising FC for an undisclosed transfer fee. Harvey joins MNUFC through 2025 with a club option for the 2026 season.

Harvey made his debut for Minnesota United during an international friendly against St. Patrick's Athletic on May 20 at Allianz Field. During the 2024 regular season, Harvey made 18 appearances and 12 starts while providing one assist. The Panamanian international made his Leagues Cup debut in the Starting XI against Seattle Sounders FC, playing the full 90 minutes in both matches before Minnesota was eliminated after the group stage. During the postseason, Carlos made his MLS Playoff debut against Real Salt Lake in Game 1 of the Best-of-3 Series, playing the full 90 minutes.

In 2025, Harvey was a crucial player for Minnesota United, tallying 33 appearances with 22 starts across all competitions. He ended the season with over 1,900 minutes played, along with three goals and two assists. He scored his first MLS goal on July 4 against FC Dallas, helping MNUFC secure crucial road points in a 2-1 victory. Harvey played in all three Leagues Cup matches, scoring a key goal against Club América. He later added his third goal in another crucial match against San Diego FC in a 3-1 victory, scoring the second goal of the match. Harvey also recorded two assists across all competitions during the 2025 season.

Internationally, Harvey has represented Panama at the U-20 and senior national team levels, making his debut for the Panamanian National Team on Jan. 27, 2019, against the U.S. Men's National Team. Since his debut, he has made 23 appearances with 15 starts. He scored his first international goal in a friendly against Guatemala in March of 2023 for a draw.

CARLOS HARVEY STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	12	3	366	0	1	1
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	65	33	3171	2	3	6

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	2 times; Last: 9/13/25, MIN @ SDFC
ASSISTS	1	3 times; last: 9/5/26, MIN @ POR
SHOTS ON GOAL	2	July 4, 2025, MIN @DAL
SHOTS	3	April 27, 2025, MIN vs VAN
FOULS COMMITTED	3	4 times; Last: 9/13/25, MIN @ SDFC
FOULS SUFFERED	3	2 times, last: 7/20/24, MIN vs. SJ

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#21 | BONGOKUHLE HLONGWANE

FORWARD

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 173
Birthdate: 6/20/2000
Hometown: Maritzburg, South Africa
Previous Club: Maritzburg United
Acquired: Transferred on 1/5/2022,

Hlongwane joined Minnesota United ahead of the 2022 season as a U22 player after spending his professional career in South Africa with Maritzburg United.

Hlongwane played a crucial part in the defensive line in the 2025 MLS season, primarily featuring as a right back. He led the club in appearances this season with 44 (36 starts) and added five goals and three assists across all competitions. Hlongwane now sits behind Robin Lod (39) as the club's top scorer with 35 goals. He also made his 150th club appearance in the second game of the First Round of the MLS Playoffs in Seattle.

During the 2024 campaign, "Bongi" continued his scoring ways, earning himself a spot in the Starting XI for MLS Team of the Matchday for Matchday 30 after his stellar performance against the San Jose Earthquakes, where he bagged a brace in a much-needed 2-1 victory to keep Minnesota in the 2024 Audi MLS Cup Playoffs. He notably scored his eighth and ninth goals, recording his second MLS regular-season brace. The South African forward played in his 100th match across all competitions against FC Cincinnati on September 18. Hlongwane then went on to score his 10th goal of the regular season against St. Louis CITY SC, an MLS career high, becoming the fifth different Minnesota United player to record a double-digit scoring season and the third in the last three years. He ended the 2024 regular season leading the club in goals scored (11) while providing a total of four assists.

Internationally, the South African international made his national team debut in 2019 and has scored four goals in 15 appearances. He scored his first international goal in 2021 against Uganda and added the game-winning goal against Ghana in a World Cup Qualifier.

BONGOKUHLE HLONGWANE STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	15	5	570	0	0	1
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	140	102	8975	24	15	6

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	3 times, last: 6/25/25, MIN vs. HOU
ASSISTS	2	2 times, last: 10/7/23, MIN vs. LA
SHOTS ON GOAL	4	3 times, last: 8/31/24, MIN vs. SJ
SHOTS	9	5/27/23, MIN vs. RSL
FOULS COMMITTED	4	3/22/25, MIN vs. LA
FOULS SUFFERED	6	2/25/23, MIN @ DAL



#16 | AZIEL JACKSON

ATTACKING MIDFIELDER

Height: 5'9" **Weight:** 155
Birthdate: 10/25/2001
Hometown: West Orange, New Jersey
Previous Club: Jagiellonia Białystok
Acquired: Signed 8/13/2026

Minnesota United announced today that the club has acquired attacker Aziel Jackson on loan for the remainder of the season from Polish Ekstraklasa side Jagiellonia Białystok, with a permanent transfer option.

Jackson joins Minnesota United after a short-term loan with the Vancouver Whitecaps from Jagiellonia Białystok earlier this season. With Vancouver, he appeared in 14 matches across all competitions, scoring one goal and adding three assists in 654 minutes. Jackson's soccer career began with the New York Red Bulls academy in 2014 before moving to France to join Toulouse's academy in 2017. He later joined Blagnac FC in France's fourth division from 2018-19 before returning to the United States and playing with Crossfire FC academy.

In 2021, the midfielder signed a Homegrown Player contract with Minnesota United after the club acquired his rights from the New York Red Bulls. He had a brief loan stint with North Carolina FC in USL League One before playing with MNUFC2 in MLS NEXT Pro during the 2022 season. Jackson earned MLS NEXT Pro Best XI honors after scoring 10 goals and adding seven assists in nearly 2,000 minutes played for MNUFC2. He additionally appeared in two Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup matches for Minnesota United, making his MNUFC senior team debut in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup Third Round match against Forward Madison in April 2022.

Jackson joined St. Louis CITY SC ahead of its 2023 inaugural season following a trade and recorded three goals and seven assists in 49 matches across two seasons. His MLS journey continued with the Columbus Crew, scoring four goals and recording five assists in 31 appearances across all competitions from 2024-25. After a season and a half, Jackson was permanently transferred to Jagiellonia Białystok, appearing in 11 matches for the Polish side, including two UEFA Conference League group stage matches.

Internationally, Jackson represented the United States Men's National Team in an international friendly in January 2024 against Slovenia.

AZIEL JACKSON STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	2	0	79	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	80	39	3565	6	11	6

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	0	N/A
FOULS COMMITTED	0	N/A
FOULS SUFFERED	0	N/A

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#11 | MAURICE MALONE

FORWARD

Height: 6'2" **Weight:**
Birthdate: 08/17/2000
Hometown: Augsburg, Germany
Previous Club: SK Sturm Graz
Acquired: Signed 08/24/2026

The Loons signed forward Maurice Malone from SK Sturm Graz to a guaranteed contract through the 2029-30 season, with a club option for 2030-31.

Maurice Malone joins Minnesota United from Austrian topflight side SK Sturm Graz, where he made 39 total game appearances from 2025-26 – including eight UEFA Europa League Group Stage appearances – netting four goals and providing three assists with the club.

The German forward developed with his hometown club, FC Augsburg, in their youth system from 2008-19 before he signed a professional contract with Augsburg in 2019, first competing with their reserves team. Malone then spent three loan spells with Wehen Wiesbaden, 1. FC Heidenheim and Wolfsberger AC from 2020-23. During those loans, he gained valuable playing time and scored 23 goals.

Malone then was transferred to FC Basel in Switzerland in 2023, making 12 appearances for the Swiss side. While at Basel, he was loaned to Austria Wien and scored 16 goals in 48 appearances from 2024-2025, notably competing alongside current MNUFC midfielder Dominik Fitz.

Internationally, Malone previously represented Germany at the youth levels. He competed for the U17, U18, U19, U21 sides, where he made 17 game appearances and scored four goals across his youth call-ups.

MAURICE MALONE STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	4	0	52	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	4	0	52	0	0	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	0	N/A
FOULS COMMITTED	1	9/5/36, MIN @ POR
FOULS SUFFERED	1	2 times; 9/19/26, MIN vs. LA



#13 | ANTHONY MARKANICH

DEFENDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 160
Birthdate: 12/26/1999
Hometown: Bourbonnais, Illinois
Previous Club: St. Louis CITY SC
Acquired: Traded on 08/15/2024

The Loons acquired defender Anthony Markanich from St. Louis CITY SC via trade in August 2024.

Markanich joined Minnesota United after making 32 game appearances across all competitions with St. Louis CITY SC since the CITY side acquired the 24-year-old from the Colorado Rapids in August of 2023. The defender notably started and played all 90 minutes in the Concacaf Champions Cup First Round, Leg One match — an eventual 2-1 win over Houston Dynamo FC in February. After joining the Loons in the summer transfer window, Markanich made his MNUFC debut as a starter against Vancouver on October 5.

Markanich began his professional career in MLS after being selected by the Rapids in the first round of the 2022 MLS SuperDraft. He signed with Colorado and made his Major League Soccer debut on May 23, 2022, starting and playing the full 90 minutes in a 1-0 win over Seattle Sounders FC. In total with the Rapids, he made 17 game appearances across all competitions.

Markanich had a historic 2025 season, finishing the season as MLS' top-scoring defender and becoming the defender with the second-most goals (nine) in a single regular season after scoring a brace against Sporting Kansas City on October 4, trailing only Brek Shea's league record of 11 goals set in 2014. Across 41 appearances (29 starts) in all competitions, he registered 13 goals and two assists. Of his 13 goals, nine were headers and eight came from set pieces. He also scored his first career MLS Playoff goal in Game 3 against Seattle Sounders FC to level the match at 3-3, eventually helping the Loons advance in a 7-6 penalty shootout victory. Markanich recorded two braces during the season, including his first on May 21 against his former club, St. Louis CITY SC, in the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup to propel Minnesota into the Quarterfinals.

ANTHONY MARKANICH STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	26	25	2142	7	3	3
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	101	77	6651	17	4	17

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	10/4/25, MIN vs. SKC
ASSISTS	1	4 times; last 8/22/26, MIN @ SJE
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	2 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL
SHOTS	5	2 times; last 8/29/26, MIN vs. ORL
FOULS COMMITTED	3	3 times; 7/16/25, MIN VS LFC
FOULS SUFFERED	4	8/22/26, MIN @ SJE

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#2 | DEVIN PADELFORD

DEFENDER

Height: 6'0" **Weight:** 182
Birthdate: 1/3/2003
Hometown: Maplewood, Minnesota
Previous Club: MNUFC U-19
Acquired: Homegrown Player 3/10/2022

Padelford joined Minnesota United as the club's first Homegrown Player out of MNUFC's new Academy under the Youth Development Program.

In 2022, the then 20-year-old was loaned out to MNUFC2 where he started 22 matches and provided one assist in 1,946 MLS NEXT Pro regular-season minutes. The defender notably made his first team debut during U.S. Open Cup action, playing seven minutes as a substitute against Union Omaha on May 25, 2022. Padelford also featured as a second-half substitute against Everton FC in a friendly match on July 7, 2022, recording seven minutes on the pitch. He started and played all 90 minutes of MNUFC's 2023 US Open Cup fixture at Detroit City FC in April. He made his MLS debut appearance in Matchday 16 at home against Toronto FC on June 3, 2023.

The young fullback made eight appearances with the first team in 2023, earning his first start against Detroit City FC in the U.S. Open Cup and making his MLS debut against Toronto FC on June 3, 2023. Weeks later, against Austin FC, Padelford would score his first professional goal that prevented a shutout loss at home on July 8, 2023. The Woodbury native also played significant time with MNUFC2, appearing in 18 matches (all starts), scoring one goal, and providing eight assists.

During the 2024 season, Padelford stepped into the back line as a mainstay during the first half of the season, making 24 appearances and 19 starts. Notably, playing the most games (32) as homegrown for Minnesota since making his debut in 2023. Padelford also provided his first MNUFC and MLS assists on April 1 against Sporting Kansas City.

DEVIN PADELFORD STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	16	5	606	1	1	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	62	34	3195	2	4	4

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	2 times; last; 7/22/26, MIN at KC
ASSISTS	1	2 times; last 2/21/26, MIN at AXT
SHOTS ON GOAL	1	5 times; last 7/22/26, MIN at KC
SHOTS	1	10 times; last: 7/25/26, MIN vs. VAN
FOULS COMMITTED	2	7 times; last: 4/11/26, MIN @ SDFC
FOULS SUFFERED	6	9/20/25, STL @ SJ

#26 | JOAQUÍN PEREYRA

MIDFIELDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 165
Birthdate: 12/01/1998
Hometown: Paraná, Argentina
Previous Club: Club Atlético Tucumán
Acquired: Transferred on 8/15/2024

Joaquín Pereyra joined Minnesota United from Club Atlético Tucumán, where he spent three years with the club after joining in 2021. Pereyra made 117 appearances, scored four goals, and provided 14 assists during his time with Atlético Tucumán. Pereyra signed a three-and-a-half-year Designated Player contract with a club option for 2028 during the Secondary Transfer Window of 2024.

In the 2025 season, Pereyra became a crucial playmaker for the club. He made 41 appearances (37 starts) and logged over 3,400 minutes across all competitions. Pereyra scored his first club goal on May 3 at Austin FC with a powerful strike from outside the box off a rebound in a 3-0 victory. He went on to record a total of eight goals and 18 assists. He added his first MLS Playoff goal in a crucial match against Seattle Sounders FC, where the Loons tied 3-3 before advancing with a 7-6 penalty shootout victory to reach the MLS Western Conference Semifinals. Pereyra also set the club's single-season assist record with 18, surpassing the previous mark of 15 held by Robin Lod and Darwin Quintero, first set in 2018 by Quintero. He was also responsible for scoring the 500th club goal in a match against Sporting Kansas City on October 4. Pereyra recorded a single-game high of three assists in a 3-3 Leagues Cup draw against Club América.

As a summer transfer, Pereyra made his MLS and MNUFC debut as a starting central midfielder against St. Louis CITY SC on September 14. He continued to showcase his playmaking skills throughout the remainder of the regular season, starting every match thereafter. Pereyra recorded his first MLS and MNUFC assist against Colorado in Minnesota's 3-0 road victory on September 28. The Argentinian midfielder was one of eight MNUFC players who made their MLS Playoff debut during the club's 2024 postseason run.

Internationally, the Argentine midfielder made his Argentina U-20 debut on December 7, 2016, scoring in a friendly match against Japan U-19. He later registered an assist on February 11, 2017, against Venezuela U-20 during the South American U-20 Championship, where Argentina earned a 2-0 victory.

JOAQUÍN PEREYRA STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	26	25	2267	3	12	5
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	66	61	5246	9	24	15

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	9 times; last, 8/22/26, MIN @ SJE
ASSISTS	2	3 times; last, 8/22/25, MIN @ SJE
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	2 times; last 10/18/25, MIN @ LAG
SHOTS	5	4 times; last 4/18/26, MIN vs POR
FOULS COMMITTED	4	4 times; last 5/10/26, MIN s. AXT
FOULS SUFFERED	9	March 15, 2026, MIN @ VAN

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#17 | DARIUS RANDELL

FORWARD

Height: 6'0" **Weight:** 160
Birthdate: 08/25/2007
Hometown: Brooklyn Park, Minnesota
Previous Club: MNUFC2
Acquired: Acquired 5/31/2025

Minnesota United signed defender Darius Randell from MNUFC2 to a first-team contract in May of 2025. Randell is under contract through the end of the 2025 season, with club options for 2027 and 2028.

A promising young talent, Randell rose through the MNUFC2 ranks, where he made a strong impression with his attacking instincts, pace, and ability to find space in the final third. Since joining MNUFC2 in 2023, the Minnesota native has been a consistent figure in the squad, earning recognition for his composure in front of goal, work rate, and versatility across the front line.

Randell's transition to the first team was marked by a milestone moment during Minnesota United's 2025 U.S. Open Cup campaign, where he scored his first goal for the senior side in the Round of 32, netting the lone and game-winning goal in a 1-0 victory over Louisville City FC. His performance helped the Loons advance to the rounds of 16, further showcasing his readiness for the top level.

Prior to signing with the first team, Randell developed through the Minnesota United Academy system before joining MNUFC2 in MLS NEXT Pro. His progression through the club's development pipeline underscores Minnesota's ongoing commitment to homegrown talent and internal development.

DARIUS RANDELL STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	0	0	0	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	4	1	63	0	0	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	0	N/A
FOULS COMMITTED	1	2 times; last: 9/20/25, MIN vs CHI
FOULS SUFFERED	1	September 20, 2025, MIN vs CHI

#5 | NICOLÁS ROMERO

DEFENDER

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 201
Birthdate: 11/28/2003
Hometown: Chumbicha, Argentina
Previous Club: Club Atlético Tucumán
Acquired: Transferred on 1/30/25, U22

Minnesota United signed defender Nicolás Romero from Club Atlético Tucumán to a three-year contract through December 2027, with a club option for 2028, as a U22 Initiative player.

Romero arrived in Minnesota after having played for Tucumán's senior team since the 2021 season. With Tucumán, the center back made 78 appearances across all competitions and scored twice in over 6,500 minutes of action. The center back made his professional senior team debut on February 5, 2021, when he entered late in a road match against Independiente (Argentina), playing the final ten minutes of an eventual 1-0 victory.

In his debut season with MNUFC, Romero was a crucial player in the back line alongside captain Michael Boxall, making 35 appearances (31 starts) and accumulating 2,588 minutes. The Argentine center back also contributed five assists in regular league play.

Notably, Nicolás Romero and current Loons midfielder Joaquín Pereyra were teammates from 2021-2024 at Club Atlético Tucumán.

NICOLÁS ROMERO STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	11	10	808	0	0	2
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	38	35	2933	0	5	12

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

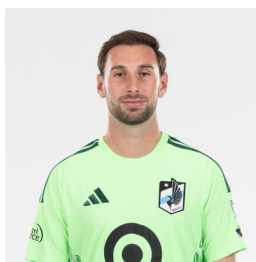
CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	2	5/10/25, MIN vs MCF
SHOTS ON GOAL	1	3 times; last: 5/16/26, MIN at NE
SHOTS	3	2 times; last: 9/20/25, MIN vs CHI
FOULS COMMITTED	4	3/22/25, MIN vs. LA
FOULS SUFFERED	4	2 times; 6/1/25, MIN at SEA

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#1 | ALEC SMIR

GOALKEEPER

Height: 6'2" **Weight:** 183
Birthdate: 4/13/1999
Hometown: Greensboro, North Carolina
Previous Club: MNUFC2
Acquired: Signed on 6/15/2024

Smir joined Minnesota United's first team from MNUFC2, Minnesota United's MLS NEXT Pro team, where he was a solid presence in net from year-to-year.

Since 2022, the goalkeeper has made 26 game appearances (17 starts in net) in regular-season action for the Twos side. During the 2024 MLS NEXT Pro season, Smir made the start and earned a clean sheet in the 3-0 U.S. Open Cup First Round victory at Chicago House A.C. in March.

Smir signed his first Short-Term Agreement in early May 2024, making him available on the bench during the Loons' 2-1 victory at home over Sporting Kansas City on April 27. After signing two more Short-Term Agreements, Smir was signed to a semi-guaranteed first-team contract through 2024, with club options for 2025 and 2026.

During the 2024 regular season, Smir made his MLS and MNUFC debut on July 3, starting and playing the full 90 minutes against Vancouver Whitecaps FC. The San Antonio native made three appearances in goal, finishing with a 0-2-1 record (W-L-D).

In the 2025 season, Smir made two appearances with the first team, accumulating nine saves in regular-season play. He also made two more appearances with the Twos, adding six saves to his count.

ALEC SMIR STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	GA	CS
2026 REGULAR SEASON	1	0	45	2	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	6	4	475	11	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
SAVES	7	7/13/24, MIN @ HOU
SHOTS FACED	8	7/13/24, MIN @ HOU
GOALS ALLOWED	3	7/3/24, MIN vs. VAN
FOULS COMMITTED	0	N/A
FOULS SUFFERED	1	7/3/24, MIN vs. VAN
ASSISTS	0	N/A



#6 | PETER STROUD

MIDFIELD

Height: 5'10" **Weight:** 150
Birthdate: 4/23/2002
Hometown: Chester, New Jersey
Previous Club: Red Bull New York
Acquired: acquired 12/16/2025

Stroud, a Homegrown Player signing from Chester, New Jersey, arrives in Minnesota after playing in the midfield with Red Bull New York since the 2023 season. With his hometown club, Stroud made 83 game appearances (52 starts), where he played over 4,440 minutes across all competitions.

In the 2025 season, the midfielder logged 32 appearances (22 starts) in all competitions and logged over 2,100 minutes. In this season he was able to provide the Red Bulls with three assists. In 2023 and 2024 combined, Stroud has seven MLS Playoff appearances and has logged over 200 minutes.

A product of the Red Bulls Academy from 2015-2018, Stroud's development then included time abroad with West Ham United's U18 side in England before returning to the United States to continue his growth at the collegiate and pre-professional levels.

Collegiately at Duke University with the Blue Devils, Stroud made 55 game appearances, recording six goals and 12 assists over three seasons. He was named ACC Midfielder of the Year twice and is the first player in ACC history to win it in back-to-back years. The New Jersey native earned All-ACC First Team honors twice, United Soccer Coaches All-America First Team, All-South Region First Team twice and was named Duke's Most Valuable Player for the 2020 season. He later returned to the Red Bull system before signing as a Homegrown Player in January 2023, making his MLS debut during the 2023 season opener.

Internationally, Stroud featured for the United States Youth National teams, including the U15 and U17 squads, where he made 30 appearances.

PETER STROUD STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	1	0	22	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	67	43	3611	0	4	9

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	1	5 times; last 5/10/25, NYR vs LA
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	1	5 times; last: 6/28/25, NYR vs MIN
FOULS COMMITTED	2	6 times; last 7/16/25, NYR vs. NE
FOULS SUFFERED	5	4/5/25, NYR vs. CHI

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#27 | DJ TAYLOR

DEFENDER

Height: 5'8" **Weight:** 182
Birthdate: 8/26/1997
Hometown: Raleigh, North Carolina
Previous Club: North Carolina FC
Acquired: Signed 2/6/2021

Taylor joined the Loons in 2021 after four seasons with former USL Championship side North Carolina FC. He continued to succeed in his fullback role throughout the 2023 season, providing an explosive and dynamic option down the touchline and helping to penetrate the opposition's final third through overlapping runs. He appeared in 30 matches and made 29 starts, providing defensive consistency for the Loons.

After spending his first season with Minnesota as a depth piece, Taylor shined in 2022, making 26 appearances, starting 23 games, and providing three assists down the right flank. Taylor started the 2022 season playing with MNUFC2, making two game appearances before earning his starting position with the first team for the majority of the season. Taylor made his MLS debut on July 3, 2021, against the San Jose Earthquakes, and his first start the following weekend at the Colorado Rapids on July 7. He scored his first MLS goal in a 2-1 win at FC Dallas.

In the 2024 campaign, Taylor made 24 appearances (17 starts) while providing two assists. During the final regular-season match of the 2024 season, Taylor played in his 100th game across all competitions against St. Louis CITY SC, where the Loons secured a 4-1 victory.

In the 2025 season, Taylor made 11 appearances in all competitions (three starts), with over 400 minutes added to his account. Taylor also was a major contributor to MNUFC2, playing eight games (eight starts) and tallying over 500 minutes. With the Twos, Taylor contributed his veteran expertise as he served as captain for those matches and added a goal.

The North Carolina native is a product of the North Carolina FC youth academy. He began his professional career in 2015 with CF Torre Levante of the Spanish Tercera División but returned to North Carolina during the 2017 season. Taylor established himself as the starting right back for North Carolina FC in 2018 and was named Defensive Player of the Year in 2019. Internationally, Taylor represented the U.S. U-18 National Team in 2015, appearing in two matches and scoring a goal at the Copa Chivas Tournament.

DJ TAYLOR STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	4	1	116	0	0	1
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	99	77	7024	1	6	17

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	5/22/22, MIN @ DAL
ASSISTS	1	6 times, last: 6/1/24, MIN vs. SKC
SHOTS ON GOAL	1	8 times, last: 2/24/24, MIN @ ATX
SHOTS	3	2 times, last: 5/31/23, MIN @ ATX
FOULS COMMITTED	4	2 times, last: 8/30/23, MIN vs. COL
FOULS SUFFERED	2	5 times, last: 9/23/23, MIN vs. STL



#20 | WIL TRAPP

MIDFIELDER

Height: 5'8" **Weight:** 160
Birthdate: 1/15/1993
Hometown: Columbus, Ohio
Previous Club: Inter Miami CF
Acquired: Signed 1/5/2021

Minnesota United signed midfielder Wil Trapp as a free agent in January 2021, following a single season with Inter Miami CF in their expansion year. The deep-lying midfielder has provided leadership for the Loons since joining the club, co-captaining the team for two seasons.

The Ohio native has made 170 appearances for MNUFC across all competitions, scoring four goals and providing 11 assists. During the 2024 home opener, Trapp appeared in his 100th MNUFC match across all competitions. He continued his role as a mainstay in the midfield, playing in 149 regular-season matches (142 starts) for Minnesota United.

The veteran added 42 appearances (39 starts) with 3,276 minutes in the 2025 season. Trapp made all of his statistical contributions in the regular season, recording two goals and four assists. The veteran brought control and balance to the midfield, helping drive the team's 56-goal output during the regular season.

Prior to joining Miami for their expansion year in 2020, Trapp spent his professional career with the Columbus Crew. The U.S. Men's National Team midfielder was named an MLS All-Star in 2016, reached the 2015 MLS Cup final, and was named the 2013 U.S. Soccer Young Male Athlete of the Year. Trapp represented Columbus Crew for seven seasons, making his professional debut for the club in 2013 at 20 years old. In total, he made 204 appearances for the Crew, registering two goals and 13 assists. During his seven seasons in Columbus, he helped guide the club to the playoffs four times.

Internationally, Trapp has made 18 appearances for the United States Men's National Team since January 2018, including the 2019 Concacaf Gold Cup and multiple international friendlies. He originally made his senior national team debut in 2015 in a friendly against Chile, with his second appearance coming a year later against Canada. At the youth level, Trapp represented the U.S. U-18, U-20, and U-23 teams. Notably, he appeared in both the 2013 Concacaf U-20 Championship and the 2013 FIFA U-20 World Cup. The U-20 squad finished as runners-up in the 2013 Concacaf Championship, with Trapp playing all 120 minutes of the final.

WIL TRAPP STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	25	19	1679	0	4	2
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	380	356	31304	6	34	61

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	4 times, last: 4/27/25, MIN vs VAN
ASSISTS	1	15 times; Last: 9/19/26, MIN vs. LA
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	4/6/25, MIN @ NYC
SHOTS	3	7 times, last: 4/6/25, MIN @ NYC
FOULS COMMITTED	5	8/20/23, MIN @ NYC
FOULS SUFFERED	4	July 22, 2026, MIN at KC

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#25 | NECTARIOS TRIANTIS

MIDFIELDER

Height: 6'3" **Weight:** 171
Birthdate: 5/11/2003
Hometown: Sydney, Australia
Previous Club: Sunderland AFC
Acquired: Transferred on 8/22/2025

Australian midfielder Nectarios Triantis joined Minnesota United prior to the close of MLS' Secondary Transfer Window in 2025 as a U22 Initiative.

The Australian midfielder scored three goals and two assists in his nine all-competition matches with Minnesota, including an incredible debut performance where he first assisted the team's second goal of the match before scoring from midfield in stoppage time (92nd minute) to secure a thrilling 3-1 victory over San Diego FC. After this match, he was featured alongside goalkeeper Dayne St. Clair on Team of the Matchday 33. A few matches later, Triantis delivered again, scoring a late equalizer against the Colorado Rapids to secure a vital road point in September 2025. That strike was later recognized as the Energy Moment of the Matchday, and he was subsequently named to the Matchday 37 MLS Team of the Matchday. Triantis also scored his first MLS Playoff goal in the second game of Round One against Seattle Sounders FC.

Triantis joined Minnesota United after being on loan with Scottish Premiership side Hibernian FC from Sunderland since February 2024, where he appeared in 50 matches overall, scoring three goals and recording six assists. The Greek international was part of the squad that finished the 2024-25 Premiership season with a 17-game unbeaten streak, including three consecutive shutouts at the end of the season.

Triantis has represented Australia at both the U-20 and U-23 national team levels. He was part of the Olyroos squad that competed in U-20 international friendlies and the 2023 AFC U-23 Asian Cup, as well as several international friendlies. He was later called up to the Socceroos in early 2025 but did not log any minutes for the Australian side. However, in mid-2025, Triantis submitted a one-time switch request under FIFA eligibility rules to represent Greece, reflecting his dual Australian and Greek heritage. The request was officially approved in August 2025, making him eligible to play for the Greek Men's National Team. In November 2025, Triantis received his first international call-up for the Greek National Team. He was on the bench against Scotland before making his senior team debut against Belarus to help Greece in World Cup Qualifying.

NECTARIOS TRIANTIS STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	21	15	1315	1	1	3
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	26	19	1669	3	3	4

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	1	3 times; last: 3/7/26, MIN @ NSH
ASSISTS	1	3 times; last: 5/2/25, MIN @ CLB
SHOTS ON GOAL	3	April 11, 2026, MIN @ SD
SHOTS	3	2 times; last: 4/11/26, MIN @ SD
FOULS COMMITTED	3	3 times; last: 9/9/26, MIN vs. DAL
FOULS SUFFERED	2	3 times; last: 4/18/26, MIN vs. POR



#52 | CHERRION VALERIUS

DEFENDER

Height: 6'4" **Weight:**
Birthdate: 9/22/20005
Hometown: Rotterdam, Netherlands
Previous Club: NAC Breda
Acquired: Acquired on loan 9/3/2026

Minnesota United acquired the versatile defender Cherrion Valerius on loan from NAC Breda through the end of 2026, with a permanent transfer option.

Cherrion Valerius joins Minnesota United from Dutch second division side NAC Breda, where, at just 20 years of age, he has featured in 48 senior-team matches and played over 3,400 minutes with NAC across all competitions since the 2024-25 season. Valerius has played for NAC since he joined their youth side in 2018 from Spartaan'20. With NAC's youth teams, Valerius played in over 70 matches before earning his senior contract with the Dutch club in 2024.

Internationally, Valerius represents Curaçao and has earned one call-up to the Caribbean nation's senior team in September 2024 during Concacaf Nations League B fixtures.

CHERRION VALERIUS STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	0	0	0	0	0	0
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	0	0	0	0	0	0

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	0	N/A
ASSISTS	0	N/A
SHOTS ON GOAL	0	N/A
SHOTS	0	N/A
FOULS COMMITTED	0	N/A
FOULS SUFFERED	0	N/A

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#9 | KELVIN YEBOAH

FORWARD

Height: 6'1" **Weight:** 171
Birthdate: 5/6/2000
Hometown: Accra, Ghana
Previous Club: Genoa CFC
Acquired: Transferred on 7/27/2024

The 24-year-old Ghanaian-Italian striker was added to Minnesota United's squad during the Secondary Transfer Window of 2024. Yeboah signed a three-and-a-half-year contract with MNUFC, with a club option for 2028, and filled a Designated Player spot.

Since joining Minnesota United, Yeboah has been an attacking force. He made his MNUFC and MLS debut in the Starting XI on August 24, where the Ghanaian-Italian striker scored the opening goal by converting a penalty kick, becoming the sixth Loon in club history to score in a debut league match. In the same match, Yeboah added a second goal, becoming the first Minnesota United player to record a brace in his MLS and MNUFC debut appearance. Notably, Yeboah became the 22nd player in MLS history to score multiple goals in a debut and the first to do so in more than two years. During his first postseason with the Loons, Yeboah made his MLS Playoff debut, starting all three matches and scoring two goals during the Audi 2024 MLS Cup Playoffs.

In the 2025 season, Yeboah recorded 13 goals and three assists across all competitions, making 40 appearances (29 starts). He registered three braces during the season, two in regular-season play and one in the Round of 16 of the Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup against Chicago Fire FC. Notably, Yeboah converted all four of his penalty kick attempts during the season.

Internationally, Yeboah made his debut with Italy's U21 side in 2021 against Luxembourg U21, where Italy secured a 3-0 victory. During his time with the U21 squad, Yeboah made four game appearances with the team during UEFA European Under-21 Championship qualifiers.

KELVIN YEBOAH STATISTICS	GP	ST	MIN	G	A	YC
2026 REGULAR SEASON	25	22	1844	14	2	2
ALL-TIME MLS REGULAR SEASON	64	53	4600	30	6	8

MLS CAREER SINGLE-GAME HIGHS:

CATEGORY	HIGH	DATE
GOALS	2	6 times; last: 8/22/26. MIN at SJE
ASSISTS	1	6 times; Last: 9/5/26, MIN vs POR
SHOTS ON GOAL	5	9/28/24. MIN vs. COL
SHOTS	8	3/1/25, MIN vs MTL
FOULS COMMITTED	5	2 times; Last: 4/12/25, MIN @ TOR
FOULS SUFFERED	4	4 times; last: 5/16/26, MIN @ NE

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Year	Signing	Trade	SuperDraft (Pick)	Loan	Waiver Draft
2017	Michael Boxall (7/12)				
2021	Wil Trapp (1/5) DJ Taylor (2/16)				
2022	Bongokuhle Hlognwane (1/5) Devin Padelford (3/10)				
2024	Jordan Adebayo-Smith (1/15) Carlos Harvey (1/24) Kelvin Yeboah (7/27) Jefferson Diaz (7/29) Matúš Kmeť (8/5) Joaquín Pereyra (8/15)	Anthony Markanich (8/15)	Morris Duggan (67th)		
2025	Nicolás Romero (1/30) Hoyeon Jung (2/1) Owen Gene (2/7) Darius Randell (5/31) Wessel Speel (6/28) Mamadou Dieng (8/22) Dominik Fitz (8/21) Kenyel Michel (8/22) Nectarios Triantis (8/22) Kieran Chandler (8/23)				Julian Gressel (4/29)
2026	Peter Stroud (12/16) Britton Fischer (12/17) Tomás Chancalay (12/26) Drake Callender (12/29) Kayne Rizvanovich (1/16) Mauricio González (1/20) Maurice Malone (8/24)		Marcus Caldeira (20th)	Aziel Jackson (8/13) Cherrion Valerius (9/3)	

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Players In

Peter Stroud	Acquired 12/16
Britton Fischer	Signed 12/17
Tomás Chancalay	Acquired 12/26
Drake Callender	Acquired 12/29
Kayne Rizvanovich	Agreed to terms 1/16
Marcus Caldeira	Agreed to terms 1/28
Mauricio González	Acquired 1/20
James Rodríguez	Agreed to terms 2/6
Kyle Duncan	Acquired 2/13
Aziel Jackson	Acquired on Loan 8/13
Maurice Malone	Acquired 8/24
Cherrion Valerius	Acquired on Loan 9/3

Players Out

Kipp Keller	Option Declined
Robin Lod	Option Declined
Sam Shashoua	Option Declined
Loïc Mesanvi	Option Declined
Hassani Dotson	Out of contract
Dayne St. Clair	Out of contract
Joseph Rosales	Trade
Matúš Kmeť	Transferred Out
Alexis Fariña	Contract Mutually Terminated
James Rodríguez	Option Declined

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MINNESOTA UNITED FC COACHING STAFF BIOGRAPHIES



CAMERON KNOWLES | HEAD COACH

In 2026, Cameron Knowles was promoted to Head Coach on January 12. Knowles has been a cornerstone of Minnesota United since 2021, bringing a unique blend of experience across nearly every facet of the game. He began as a video analyst, steadily rising through the organization. In 2022, he became the first head coach of MNUFC2, the Loons' MLS NEXT Pro side, where he helped shape the club's player development pathway and strengthened the connection between the Academy and First Team. In early 2024, Knowles stepped in as MNUFC's interim head coach, guiding the First Team to an impressive 2-0-1 (W-L-D) start, including a thrilling home opener against the defending MLS Cup champions Columbus Crew and a hard-fought road victory over Orlando City SC. He then transitioned into a First-Team assistant coach role, where his steady leadership and talent for helping players reach their full potential made an impact on the club's growth over the past two seasons. Before arriving in Minnesota, the Auckland, New Zealand native spent nine years with the Portland Timbers organization—six seasons as an assistant coach, including the club's 2015 MLS Cup-winning campaign, and three seasons as head coach of Portland Timbers 2 in the USL Championship. As a player, Knowles' professional career spanned from 2004-2011, making 103 appearances for clubs including Chicago Fire Premier, Real Salt Lake, Portland Timbers and Montréal Impact. Knowles played collegiate soccer at the University of

Akron from 2001-2004, starting in 73 out of 75 matches and captaining the Zips



JOSH WOLFF | ASSISTANT COACH

Before his time in Houston, Wolff was the very-first head coach for Austin FC from 2020-2024. Notably in 2022, Wolff led Austin FC to a second-place regular-season finish in the Western Conference with a 16-10-8 (W-L-D) record, which included a Western Conference Final appearance in that season's MLS Cup Playoffs. The former forward began his coaching career with D.C. United from 2012-2013 before accepting an assistant coach role with Columbus Crew, where he spent five seasons from 2014-2018. Then, for one year, Wolff was an assistant coach with the United States Men's National Team in 2019. Wolff had a notable professional playing career that spanned 15 years, with the majority of those seasons being spent in Major League Soccer for the likes of Chicago Fire FC, Kansas City Wizards, and D.C. United. In total, the former forward captured an MLS Cup, three Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup titles, and two Gold Cup trophies.



CRISTIANO COSTA | HEAD OF GOALKEEPING

After two seasons with MNUFC2, Cristiano Costa has been named MNUFC's First Team Goalkeeper Coach following the departure of Thomas Fawdry. Before his role at MNUFC in the development space since 2022, Costa served as a director of goalkeeping for four soccer clubs in the Chicagoland area. He has served as a Goalkeeper Coach at IMG Academy in Florida and as the Head Women's Soccer Coach at Chicago State University for five years (2017-2021). Costa's 13-year playing career began at Clube de Regatas Vasco da Gama, where he spent nine years before transitioning to ABC in Natal and Botafogo PB, where he played two more years professionally. He currently has his USSF B Coaching License and is working on his Master's in Tactical Periodization by Vitor Frade. He also holds an EXOS Formerly Athletes' Performance - Phase I License, along with other certifications in football and performance. Costa earned his BA in Business Administration with a minor in Accounting from Judson University in 2011.

DANNY CRUZ | ASSISTANT COACH

Danny Cruz joins the Minnesota United staff following nearly six seasons as the head coach of USL Championship side Louisville City FC since 2021. With Louisville City, Cruz led the club to its first Players' Shield in 2024, awarded to the USL Championship team with the regular season's best record - an impressive 24-4-6, that matched the league's single-season wins record while setting new team marks for wins, goals scored (86) and points earned (76). He was named the USL Championship Coach of the Year for 2024 and 2025. In 2022, Cruz's Louisville side advanced to the USL Championship Final where, at 32 years old, he became the youngest head coach to appear in the title game.

TOM SOEHN | ASSISTANT COACH

Tom Soehn arrives in Minnesota after previously coaching Birmingham Legion of the USL Championship from 2018-25. Soehn was notably the first-ever head coach of the Legion side as they entered the league, and he helped lead the team to 90 wins across all competitions, including a run in the 2023 Lamar Hunt U.S. Open Cup that saw Birmingham defeat MLS side Charlotte FC. His side in Alabama qualified for the USL Championship playoffs every season from 2019-23.