



LINEBACKER // 6-2 // 225 // OHIO STATE '18  
 ACQUIRED: D3, '18  
 HOMETOWN: CLEVELAND, OHIO // BORN: 12/25/96  
 NFL: SIXTH SEASON // DOLPHINS: SIXTH SEASON



## NFL CAREER

### TRANSACTIONS:

- 3rd-round pick (73rd overall) by Miami in the 2018 NFL Draft.

### CAREER HONORS:

- 2021 Walter Payton Man of the Year Nominee.
- AFC Defensive Player of the Month (December 2021).

### CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

- Played in 94 career games with 82 starts.
- 581 tackles (378 solo), 22.5 sacks, 5 interceptions, 21 passes defended and 6 forced fumbles; 2 interceptions returned for a TD.
- 1 punt return for 0 yards (0.0 avg.).
- 5 special teams tackles (3 solo).
- Started 1 postseason game.
- Led the Dolphins in tackles in 3 consecutive seasons from 2019-21.
- Became the 1st Dolphin since at least 2000 to record 500+ tackles in the 1st 5 years of his career.
- His 581 career tackles are 7th among his draft class.

### MOST CAREER TACKLES (2018 DRAFT CLASS)

PLAYER	TM	TOT	SOLO	ASST
1. Roquan Smith	Chi./Bal.	850	534	316
2. Foye Oluokun	Atl./Jax.	811	506	305
3. Fred Warner	SF	765	492	273
4. Tremaine Edmunds	Buf./Chi.	678	428	250
5. Shaquille Leonard	Ind./Phi.	637	397	240
6. Jessie Bates	Cin./Atl.	609	414	195
7. <b>JEROME BAKER</b>	<b>MIA.</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>203</b>
8. Minkah Fitzpatrick	Mia./Pit.	510	336	174
9. Derwin James	LAC	497	323	174
10. Ja'Whaun Bentley	NE	487	265	222

- His 124 tackles in 2019 were 14th in the NFL.
- Served as a team captain in 2019.

### 2023 (MIAMI):

- Played in 13 games with 12 starts.
- Missed 4 games after being placed on injured reserve on Dec. 9 and activated on Jan. 6.
- 78 tackles (51 solo), 1.5 sacks, 2 interceptions and 3 passes defended; 1 interception returned for a TD.

**VS. N.Y. GIANTS (10/8):** 8 tackles (4 solo) and 1.5 sacks.

- Split a sack of QB Daniel Jones with CB Eli Apple on 3rd-and-3 in the 2nd quarter to force the Giants to punt.
- Sacked QB Daniel Jones in the 3rd quarter on 1st-and-10.

**AT PHILADELPHIA (10/22):** 11 tackles (6 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended; 1 interception returned for a TD.

- Intercepted QB Jalen Hurts off a CB Kader Kohou deflection and returned it 22 yards for a TD to tie the game, 17-17, with 4:02 remaining in the 3rd quarter.

**AT N.Y. JETS (11/24):** 6 solo tackles, 1 interception and 2 passes defended.

- Intercepted a QB Tim Boyle pass on 2nd-and-16 with 8:01 left to play in the 4th quarter.

### POSTSEASON:

- Missed the rest of the season after being placed on injured reserve on Jan. 9.

### 2022 (MIAMI):

- Started all 17 games.
- 100 tackles (66 solo), 4.0 sacks, 4 passes defended and 1 forced fumble.

**VS. BUFFALO (9/25):** 13 tackles (9 solo), 0.5 sack and 1 pass defended.

**VS. HOUSTON (11/27):** 4 tackles (3 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.

- Strip-sacked QB Kyle Allen on a 3rd-and-13 play in the 4th quarter to force a punt.

**AT L.A. CHARGERS (12/11):** 11 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Justin Herbert in the 3rd quarter.

### POSTSEASON:

**AFC WILD CARD AT BUFFALO (1/15):** 7 tackles, (4 solo) and 1.0 sack.

- Sacked QB Josh Allen for a loss of 7 yards on 2nd-and-8 in the 1st quarter.

### 2021 (MIAMI):

- Started 16 games.
- Inactive for 1 game.
- 92 tackles (62 solo), 5.5 sacks, 1 interception, 4 passes defended and 1 forced fumble.

**VS. HOUSTON (11/7):** 7 tackles (5 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.

- Intercepted QB Tyrod Taylor in the 2nd quarter.
- VS. N.Y. JETS (12/19):** 7 tackles (4 solo) and 2.0 sacks.
- Sacked QB Zach Wilson for a loss of 9 yards in the 2nd quarter.
- Sacked QB Zach Wilson for a loss of 10 yards on 3rd-and-12 in the 4th quarter to force a punt.
- AT NEW ORLEANS (12/27):** 6 tackles (5 solo) and 1.5 sacks.
- Sacked QB Ian Book for a loss of 7 yards on 3rd-and-6 in the 1st quarter.
- Split a sack of QB Ian Book with S Jevon Holland for a loss of 12 yards in the 4th quarter.
- AT TENNESSEE (1/2):** 7 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack.
- Sacked QB Ryan Tannehill for a loss of 10 yards on 3rd-and-6 in the 3rd quarter.

#### HONORS:

- Walter Payton Man of the Year Nominee.
- AFC Defensive Player of the Month (December).

#### 2020 (MIAMI):

- Played in all 16 games with 11 starts.
- 111 tackles (69 solo), 7.0 sacks, 3 passes defended and 2 forced fumbles.
- 1 solo special teams tackle.
- AT NEW ENGLAND (9/13):** 16 tackles (12 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.
- Sacked QB Cam Newton for a loss of 9 yards in the 1st quarter.
- His 16 tackles were the most by a Dolphins player since 2014.
- AT SAN FRANCISCO (10/11):** 7 tackles (6 solo) and 1.0 sack; 1 solo special teams tackle.
- Sacked QB C.J. Beathard for a loss of 9 yards in the 3rd quarter.
- VS. KANSAS CITY (12/13):** 9 tackles (5 solo) and 2.5 sacks.
- Sacked QB Patrick Mahomes for a loss of 30 yards on 3rd-and-12 in the 1st quarter.
- Sacked QB Patrick Mahomes again in the 2nd quarter for a loss of 5 yards.
- Split a sack with DT Christian Wilkins of QB Patrick Mahomes on 3rd-and-6 in the 4th quarter.
- His 30-yard sack is the longest in Dolphins history and longest in the NFL since 2015.
- Became 1st NFL player to record at least 2.5 sacks in one game against QB Patrick Mahomes.

#### 2019 (MIAMI):

- Played in 16 games with 15 starts.
- 124 tackles (74 solo), 1.5 sacks, 1 interception, 4 passes defended and 2 forced fumbles.
- 1 solo special teams tackle.
- His 124 tackles (74 solo) were 14th in the NFL and 1st among all players in the 2018 draft class.
- Served as a team captain.
- AT INDIANAPOLIS (11/10):** 8 tackles (7 solo), 1.0 sack and 1 forced fumble.
- Strip-sacked QB Brian Hoyer on 2nd-and-13 in the 2nd quarter, moving the Colts out of field goal range.
- AT N.Y. GIANTS (12/15):** 12 tackles (6 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.
- Intercepted QB Eli Manning in the 3rd quarter.

- VS. CINCINNATI (12/22):** 12 tackles (7 solo), 0.5 sacks and 1 pass defended.
- Sacked QB Andy Dalton on a 3rd-and-10 in the 1st quarter.

#### 2018 (MIAMI):

- Played in all 16 games with 11 starts.
- 76 tackles (56 solo), 3.0 sacks, 1 interception and 3 passes defended; 1 interception return for a TD.
- 1 punt return for 0 yards (0.0 avg.).
- 3 special teams tackles (1 solo).
- His 76 tackles were 7th among rookie linebackers.
- AT CINCINNATI (10/7):** 6 solo tackles and 2.0 sacks; 1 assisted special teams tackle.
- Sacked QB Andy Dalton on third-and-10 for a loss of 9 yards in the 3rd quarter, forcing Cincinnati to punt.
- Sacked QB Andy Dalton again on third-and-1 for a loss of 10 yards in the 3rd quarter, holding Cincinnati to a field goal.
- The last Dolphins rookie to have 2.0 sacks in a game was DE Olivier Vernon on 10/14/12 vs. St. Louis, while the last rookie linebacker to do so for Miami was Derrick Rodgers on 10/12/97 at N.Y. Jets.
- VS. N.Y. JETS (11/4):** 5 tackles (4 solo), 1 interception and 1 pass defended.
- Intercepted QB Sam Darnold on 2nd-and-9 with 10:56 remaining in the 4th quarter and returned it 25 yards for a TD, extending Miami's lead to 13-3.
- AT BUFFALO (12/30):** 6 solo tackles and 1.0 sack.
- Sacked QB Josh Allen on 1st-and-10 for a loss of 9 yards in the 1st quarter.

### BEFORE THE NFL

#### COLLEGE (OHIO STATE):

- 3-year letterman (2015-17) and 2-year starter.
- CAREER:** Played in 33 games with 25 starts; 158 tackles (90 solo), 7.0 sacks, 2 interceptions, 5 passes defended, 1 forced fumble and 3 fumble recoveries.
- JUNIOR (2017):** Started 13 games; 72 tackles (42 solo), 3.5 sacks, 3 passes defended, 1 forced fumble and 2 fumble recoveries.
- Honorable mention All-Big Ten.
- SOPHOMORE (2016):** Played in all 13 games with 12 starts; 83 tackles (45 solo), 3.5 sacks, 2 interceptions, 2 passes defended and 1 fumble recovery.
- Honorable mention All-Big Ten.
- His 83 tackles were second on the team.
- TRUE FRESHMAN (2015):** Played in 7 games; 3 solo tackles.

#### HIGH SCHOOL (BENEDICTINE HS – CLEVELAND, OHIO)

##### SENIOR (2014):

- Helped his school win the state championship.
- 1st-team all-state.
- Co-defensive player of the year in Ohio.

## OFF THE FIELD

### COMMUNITY:

#### 2023:

- Co-hosted a double holiday extravaganza event with teammates Terron Armstead and Xavien Howard, gifting bikes to 50 children from local Boys & Girls Clubs and a shopping spree for children from Lotus House and the North Miami Police Athletic League.
- Continued relationship and mentorship with visits to the North Miami Police Athletic League.

#### 2022:

- Held the 4th annual Season of Giving Event at the Hank Kline Boys & Girls Club of Miami-Dade to provide holiday gifts for 100 kids.
- Partnered with the North Miami Police Department to host a Thanksgiving meal distribution for 50 South Florida families.

#### 2021:

- Held the 3rd annual Season of Giving event at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club to provide holiday gifts for children ages 6-10.
- Partnered with the North Miami Police Department to host a Thanksgiving meal distribution for 20 South Florida families.
- Partnered with a minority-owned food truck to provide meals for first responders who worked tirelessly in the recovery efforts of the Surfside condo building collapse and delivered water and supplies.
- Led the charge with the City of North Miami to collect and transport supplies for the people of Haiti following the devastating earthquake in August.

- Hosted a Christmas in July event for children at the Boys & Girls Club, spending the day with the students and also providing back-to-school supplies and gifts.

#### 2020:

- Held his 2nd annual Season of Giving event at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club, appearing virtually to surprise the kids with holiday gifts.
- Hosted a socially-distanced backpack giveaway at his high school alma mater, Benedictine, to assist Cleveland-area youth during the pandemic.

#### 2019:

- Held the 1st Season of Giving event to provide holiday gifts for children at the Miami Northwest Boys & Girls Club.
- Served as the player ambassador for Florida Fuel Up to Play 60 initiative encouraging access and consumption of proper nutrition and physical activity for local youth.

#### 2018:

- Participated in a police ride along through Football Unites.
- Joined the Microsoft Digital Skills All-Star program.
- Established his Expand the Land Foundation to inspire youth and provide mentorship and programming in South Florida and his hometown of Cleveland.

### PERSONAL:

- **MAJOR:** Criminology.

### JEROME BAKER'S NFL REGULAR SEASON STATS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES	
				TOT	SOLO	ASST	SK	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR
2018	MIAMI	16	11	76	56	20	3.0	28.0	1	25	25t	1	3	0	0
2019	MIAMI	16	15	124	74	50	1.5	13.0	1	34	34	0	4	2	0
2020	MIAMI	16	11	111	69	42	7.0	69.5	0	0	-	0	3	2	0
2021	MIAMI	16	16	92	62	30	5.5	52.0	1	0	-	0	4	1	0
2022	MIAMI	17	17	100	66	34	4.0	19.5	0	0	-	0	4	1	0
2023	MIAMI	13	12	78	51	27	1.5	0.0	2	23	22t	1	3	0	0
NFL TOTALS		94	82	581	378	203	22.5	182.0	5	82	34	2	21	6	0

### JEROME BAKER'S NFL PLAYOFF STATS

YEAR	TEAM	GP	GS	TACKLES					INTERCEPTIONS					FUMBLES	
				TOT	SOLO	ASST	SK	YDS	INT	YDS	LG	TD	PD	FF	FR
2022	MIAMI	1	1	7	4	3	1.0	7.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PLAYOFF TOTALS		1	1	7	4	3	1.0	7.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

### ADDITIONAL STATS

**Defensive Touchdowns:** 25-yard interception return vs. N.Y. Jets (11/4/18), 22-yard interception return at Philadelphia (10/22/23).

**Special Teams Tackles:** 3 in 2018, 1 in 2019, 1 in 2020 for total of 5.

### SINGLE-GAME CAREER HIGHS

**Tackles:** 16 at New England, 9/13/20

**Sacks:** 2.5 vs. Kansas City, 12/13/20

**Interceptions:** 1 5 times, last: at N.Y. Jets, 11/24/23

**Passes Defensed:** 2 Twice, last: at N.Y. Jets, 11/24/23

**Forced Fumbles:** 1 6 times, last: vs. Houston, 11/27/22