



## About the Graph

The graph on the previous page plots the **Negative Self Confidence** and **Self-Centeredness** scores of 751 NFL players whose professional careers began between 2000 and 2010 and who have appeared in at least one regular or postseason game. The Negative Self Confidence (NSC) indicator measures the degree to which the player uses terms and expressions associated with low self confidence. Higher NSC scores reflect a greater use of speech indicating low self confidence. The Self-Centeredness indicator measures the degree to which the player speaks about himself in relation to broader groups to which he belongs (e.g., his team). Higher Self-Centeredness scores reflect a greater preoccupation with the self over such groups.

Players who have been arrested or suspended while in the NFL for any reason (e.g., DUI, domestic violence, resisting arrest, assault, public intoxication, violation of team rules, etc) from April 2000 through January 2011 are denoted on the graph with dark red circles, and players who have not been arrested or suspended with green dots. **As can be seen, the percentage of players who have been arrested or suspended increases as both Negative Self Confidence and Self-Centeredness scores increase. Only 37 of the 411 players (9.0 percent) in Area 1 have been arrested or suspended** while in the NFL; players in Area 1 have at least one indicator score (either Negative Self Confidence or Self-Centeredness) that falls below the median score for all players in our sample. **Twenty-six of the 179 players (14.5 percent) in Area 2 have been arrested or suspended;** the indicator scores of players in Area 2 are both at or above the median score with at least one score falling between the median and 75<sup>th</sup> percentile. **Twenty-eight of the 131 players (21.4 percent) in Area 3 have been arrested or suspended** during their NFL careers; the indicator scores of players in Area 3 are both at or above the 75<sup>th</sup> percentile of scores for all players in our sample, with at least one of the scores falling between the 75<sup>th</sup> and 95<sup>th</sup> percentiles. Finally, **nine of 30 players (30.0 percent) in Area 4 have been arrested or suspended** while in the NFL; players in Area 4 have both Negative Self Confidence and Self-Centeredness scores that are in the top 95 percent of scores for all players in our sample. **Overall, 100 of the 751 players (13.3 percent) in our database have been arrested and/or suspended while in the NFL.**

## About Achievement Metrics, LLC

Achievement Metrics, LLC provides achievement and risk prediction services to the sports and entertainment industries. Headed by Dr. Roger Hall, Achievement Metrics advises sports teams, league officials, sponsors and insurers about the predicted on-field performance and relative off-field risks of athletes. Achievement Metrics can work with customers to develop specialty assessments and predictions for athletes, teams and others involved in the sports and entertainment fields. Dr. Hall has over twenty years of behavioral assessment experience and maintains offices near Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio. Achievement Metrics is a partner of Social Science Automation, Inc.

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