

Probability Of Playing College and Professional Baseball

If you think obtaining a scholarship for baseball is easy, the below information provided by the NCAA should be enlightening. This "making it to college baseball and the pros" probability table was found while going through some information from the NCAA and the High School Baseball web. The point studies like the one below make, is that the odds of a high school senior playing collegiate and professional baseball appear to be slim. To play in college, high school athletes need good grades, above average ability, and great attitude and aptitude in order to make the jump to the next level.

As the table points out, regardless of what sport you may be interested in, many are called, but few are taken by college coaches.

Baseball

- Less than three in 50, or about 5.6 percent, of high school senior boys interscholastic baseball players will go on to play men's baseball at a NCAA member institution.
- Less than eleven in 100, or about 10.5 percent, of NCAA senior male baseball players will get drafted by a Major League Baseball (MLB) team.
- Approximately one in 200, or approximately 0.5 percent of high school senior boys playing interscholastic baseball will eventually be drafted by an MLB team.

Student-Athletes	Basketball	Football	Baseball	Ice Hockey	"S" Word
High School Athletes	549,000	983,600	455,300	29,900	321,400
High School Senior Athletes	157,000	281,000	130,100	8,500	91,800
NCAA Athletes	15,700	56,500	25,700	3,700	18,200
NCAA Freshman Athletes	4,500	16,200	7,300	1,100	5,200
NCAA Senior Athletes	3,500	12,600	5,700	800	4,100
NCAA Athletes Drafted	44	250	600	33	76
High School to NCAA	2.9%	5.8%	5.6%	12.9%	5.7%
NCAA to Professional	1.3%	2.0%	10.5%	4.1%	1.9%
High School to Professional	0.03%	0.09%	.5%	.4%	0%
