



PROSPECT REPORT

January 16 - January 22, 2026

Notable Performances

Riley Tufte posted a goal and an assist in both wins over Cleveland last weekend. The forward opened the scoring on the team's first shot of the game in Saturday's win, before extending Providence's lead to 4-0 in Sunday's victory. The Coon Rapids, Minnesota, native leads the P-Bruins with 15 goals and is third on the team with 29 points through 29 games played.

PLAYER SPOTLIGHT



FREDERIC BRUNET

PROVIDENCE | AHL

36 GP, 7G, 13A, 20 PTS

Andre Gasseau posted a three-point weekend in No. 15 ranked Boston College's weekend series against Providence College. The forward notched two assists at home on Friday, before scoring a power play goal to tie Saturday's contest in the first period. The Garden Grove, California, native totals two goals and five assists through seven games this season. Gasseau was originally selected by Boston in the seventh round (213th overall) of the 2021 NHL Entry Draft.

Leaders

 Providence goaltender Michael DiPietro ranks first in the AHL with a 1.74 goals against average and a .938 save percentage.

 Youngstown forward Cooper Simpson leads the USHL with 51 points through 38 games and ranks tied for third in the league with 21 goals.

THIS WEEKS MATCHUPS



January 23

Youngstown vs. USA NTDP U17, 7:05 p.m.



January 23

Quinnipiac vs. Sacred Heart, 4 p.m.
Harvard at Colgate, 7 p.m.
Dartmouth at Cornell, 7 p.m.
Boston University at Providence, 7 p.m.



January 23

Shawinigan at Victoriaville, 7 p.m.



January 24

Youngstown vs. USA NTDP U17, 6:05 p.m.

January 25

Shawinigan at Rimouski, 3 p.m.

January 28

Youngstown at USA NTDP U17, 10:30 a.m.

January 29

Shawinigan at Drummondville, 7 p.m.

January 30

Youngstown at Chicago Steel, 7:05 p.m. CT

January 30

Shawinigan vs. Halifax, 7 p.m.

January 31

Providence at Charlotte, 4 p.m.

February 4

Providence at Bridgeport, 7 p.m.



PROVIDENCE BRUINS

27-8-1-0, 55 pts
2nd place in Atlantic Division

PLAYER	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM	ACQUIRED
Patrick Brown	C	36	13	26	39	25	17	Free Agent, 2023
Fabian Lysell	F	32	12	19	31	11	24	BOS 1st rd. (21st overall) in 2021
Riley Tufte	F	29	15	14	29	19	36	Free Agent, 2024
Georgii Merkulov	C	34	13	15	28	7	32	Free Agent, 2022
Dans Locmelis	F	36	14	10	24	9	4	BOS 4th rd. (119th overall) in 2022
Matthew Poitras	F	36	6	15	21	-5	33	BOS 2nd rd. (54th overall) in 2022
Matej Blumel	F	22	7	13	20	7	10	Free Agent, 2025
Frederic Brunet	D	36	7	13	20	13	16	BOS 5th rd. (132nd overall) in 2022
Christian Wolanin	D	21	3	10	13	6	4	Free Agent, 2025
Brett Harrison	F	31	5	7	12	8	4	BOS 3rd rd. (85th overall) in 2021
Victor Soderstrom	D	27	3	9	12	1	8	Trade w/CHI in 2025
Jake Schmaltz	F	28	5	6	11	5	8	BOS 7th rd. (192nd overall) in 2019
John Farinacci	F	36	4	7	11	1	6	Free Agent, 2023
Billy Sweezy	D	34	1	10	11	22	33	Free Agent, 2024
Riley Duran	F	36	1	7	8	4	8	BOS 6th rd. (182nd overall) in 2020
Ty Gallagher	D	20	3	4	7	0	4	BOS 7th rd. (217th overall) in 2021
Joey Abate	F	31	1	5	6	4	65	Free Agent, 2024
Michael Callahan	D	21	1	3	4	14	12	Trade w/ARI in 2022
Colin Felix	D	21	0	3	3	2	63	Free Agent, 2025
Dalton Bancroft	F	21	0	1	1	1	18	Free Agent, 2025
Max Wanner	D	9	0	0	0	6	5	Trade w/EDM in 2025

PLAYER	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	W	L	OT	SVS	ACQUIRED
Michael DiPietro	21	1.74	.938	0	15	5	0	528	Trade w/ VAN in 2022
Simon Zajicek	14	2.24	.922	0	10	3	1	367	Free Agent, 2025

NOTES:

Frederic Brunet recorded a goal and two assists in Sunday's win over Cleveland. The defenseman crashed the crease to poke a loose puck across the goal line and extend the Providence lead to 2-0 late in the opening frame. Brunet leads all P-Bruins defenseman with seven goals, 13 assists and 20 points through 36 games this season. The Gatineau, Quebec, native was selected to represent the Providence Bruins at the 2026 AHL All-Star Classic, to be held in Rockford, Illinois, on February 10-11.

Michael DiPietro stopped all 21 shots he faced in Saturday's 5-0 win over Cleveland for his first shutout of the season. The goaltender ranks first in the AHL with a 1.74 goals against average and a .938 save percentage. The Windsor, Ontario, native was selected to represent the Providence Bruins at the 2026 AHL All-Star Classic.

Matej Blumel has netted three goals in the last two games. The Tabor, Czechia, native totals seven goals and 13 assists through 22 games this season.



PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Andre Gasseau	Boston College	C	7	2	5	7	-3	4
Elliott Groenewold	Quinnipiac	D	24	3	10	13	27	14
James Hagens	Boston College	F	18	10	11	21	2	10
Beckett Hendrickson	U. of Minnesota	C	23	4	10	14	10	9
Oskar Jellvik	Boston College	F	3	0	1	1	-2	0
Kristian Kostadinski	Boston College	D	18	0	1	1	2	2
Mason Langenbrunner	Harvard	D	17	1	8	9	0	10
Dean Letourneau	Boston College	F	20	11	9	20	8	18
William Moore	Boston College	F	20	4	5	9	-4	0
Jonathan Morello	Boston University	F	23	5	6	11	10	12
Casper Nassen	Miami University (Ohio)	F	24	5	11	16	-3	6
Christopher Pelosi	Quinnipiac	C	24	13	12	25	9	10
Ryan Walsh	Cornell	C	17	6	12	18	3	12
William Zellers	North Dakota	F	23	10	7	17	0	10

PLAYER	TEAM	GP	GAA	SV%	SO	W	L	OT	SVS
Philip Svedbeck	Providence	17	2.32	.918	0	8	6	2	415

NOTES:

Elliot Groenewold recorded a goal and an assist in No. 6 ranked Quinnipiac's weekend sweep over Colgate and No. 12 ranked Cornell. The defenseman posted an assist in the 5-1 victory at Colgate on Friday, before netting the Bobcats' third goal of the game early in the final frame of Saturday's 4-1 win at Cornell. The Springfield, Vermont, native totals three goals and 10 assists through 24 games this season. Groenewold was originally selected by Boston in the fourth round (110th overall) of the 2024 NHL Entry Draft.



North American Juniors

PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Cole Chandler	Shawinigan (QMJHL) F	41	12	22	34	9	33	
Cooper Simpson	Youngstown (USHL) F	38	21	30	51	4	58	

NOTES:

Cooper Simpson posted a three-point weekend for the Youngstown Phantoms. The forward notched an assist on the Phantoms' first goal and tallied a late third period goal to bring them within one in a 5-4 shootout loss to the Muskegon Lumberjacks on Saturday. He scored the team's first goal in a 2-0 win over the Lumberjacks on Sunday. Simpson ranks first in the USHL in points (51), tied for third in goals (21), and fourth in assists (30) through 38 games this season. The Shakopee, Minnesota, native was originally selected by Boston in the third round (79th overall) of the 2025 NHL Entry Draft.

Europe

PLAYER	TEAM	POS	GP	G	A	PTS	+/-	PIM
Vashek Blanar	HV71 Jr. (Swe-Jr)	D	19	3	8	11	-1	22
Liam Pettersson	Vaxjo Lakers Jr. (Swe-Jr)	D	11	2	2	4	-2	8
Kirill Yemelyanov	Yaroslavl Loko Jr. (Rus-MHL)	F	37	19	17	36	20	38