

The Rookie Scouting Portfolio Wide Receiver Scouting Checklist

Name: Vincent Brown **School:** San Diego State **Opponent:** Navy **Surface:** Grass
Height: 5-11 **Year:** Senior **Score:** 35-14 **Climate:** Night
Weight: 187 **Date:** 12/23/2010 **Location:** San Diego **Temperature:** Temperat

Overall Score: 89

Category Scores

Separation Score: 10 **Balance Score:** 4 **Receiving Score:** 21 **Vision Score:** 5 **BHandling Score:** 6
Routes Score: 28 **Blocking Score:** 2 **Elusiveness Score:** 5 **Power Score:** 2 **Durability Score:** 6

Game Stats

Target: 10 **Dropped After Contact:** 0 **Rec Yards:** E+0 **Yards per Td:** 0
Missed Target: 0 **Rec:** 8 **Yards After Catch:** 53 **Rush Att:** 1
Drops: 2 **Rec After Contact:** 1 **Yards per Catch:** 0 **Rush Yds:** E+0
Juggles: 0 **Difficult Rec:** 0 **Rec Tds:** 1 **Rush Tds:** 0
Fumbles: 0

Routes

Gets appropriate route depth - 4pts: Yes
 Works back to the quarterback - 2pts: Yes
 Breaks back to the football - 4pts: Yes
 Awareness of sideline - 2pts: Yes
 Sinks hips into breaks - 5pts: Yes
 Finds soft area of zone coverage - 3pts: Yes
 Doesn't tip off routes - 3pts: Yes
 Sets up breaks - 2pts: Yes
 Uses body to shield defender from pass - 3pts: Yes

Receiving

Catches ball with hands away from body - 5pts: Yes
 Adjusts body to the flight of the ball - 1pt: Yes
 Catches ball w/back to the line of scrimmage-1pt: No
 Catches ball in tight coverage - 3pts: No
 Catches ball after contact - 5pts: Yes
 Catches ball cleanly - 7pts: Yes
 Makes difficult catches - 1pt: No
 Gets head around and hands up quickly out of the break - 3pts: Yes

Separation

Uses hands to release from press - 5pts: Yes
 Uses feet effectively to release from press - 5pts: Yes
 Separation on intermediate/deep routes - 1pt: No

Ball Handling

Carries ball under correct arm - 1pt.: Yes
 Demonstrates ball security - 2pts.: Yes
 Maintains control of ball when hit - 3pts.: Yes

Elusiveness

Lower body jukes - 1pt: Yes
 Upper body jukes - 1pt: Yes
 Avoids direct shots - 1pt: Yes
 Can string moves together in space - 1pt: Yes
 Makes sharp lateral cuts - 1pt: Yes

Blocking

Diagnoses blocking assignments correctly - 1pt: Yes
 Effective cut block technique - 0.5pt: No
 Good hand placement on stand up blocks - 0.5pt: Yes
 Can deliver a punch on stand up block - 0.5pt: No
 Mirrors/moves feet effectively on stand up blocks - 0.5pt: Yes

Vision

Good decisions - 2pts: Yes
 Patience - 1pt: Yes
 Open field - 2pts: Yes

Power

Leg power, drives through arm tackles - 2pts: No
 Effective stiff arm - 1pt: No
 Runs behind pad/Has good pad level - 1pt: Yes
 Second effort/keeps legs moving after contact - 1pt: Yes

Durability

Missed fewer than 10% of opportunities to play thus far in college career - 2pts: Yes
 Without chronic injuries throughout college career (Two or more injuries to same body part) - 2pts: Yes
 Without injuries requiring extensive rehabilitation during college career - 2pts: Yes

The Gut Check's WR Scouting Profile

Name: Vincent Brown

Date: 12/23/2010

Opponent: Navy

Overall Strengths

Brown is one of the better receiving prospects in this draft because he has refined route skills, good releases, and very good hands to make catches on pro style routes. Even at the Senior Bowl, Brown was one of the better technicians on the field and continued to get better with coaching. Although he lacks blazing speed or great power as a receiver like top end prospects A.J. Green or Julio Jones, Brown has enough speed to get deep and quickness to make the first defender miss in the open field. He's also not afraid of contact in the middle of the field and he will finish runs with good pad level. I think the comparison to Reggie Wayne is a pretty good one.

Overall Weaknesses

Brown needs to continue refining his run blocking. He needs to do better delivering a punch (which he did at the Sr. Bowl). He will have occasional lapses with catchable passes and he'll need to demonstrate the ability to make the big play to elevate his game to his potential. Paired with a highly accurate quarterback with great skills reading defenses, Brown could become a Derrick Mason, Reggie Wayne, Donald Driver or Keenan McCardell type of player.

Separation

His sixth catch was a 3rd and 5 corner route that he caught about 17 yards downfield at the left sideline with his hands. This time he set up the corner coming over top by waiting for him to get closer before turning inside of the defender's hit. This got him free along the left sideline for another 36 yards for the score with 4:09 in the first quarter. He showed enough acceleration to get easily past the safety in pursuit from the flat. Brown got about three steps behind the cornerback on deep streak down the left flat off a 2nd and 7 play action pass with 7:09 in the third quarter, but he let the ball bounce off his hands in the end zone.

Routes

Brown's first catch was his first target on the initial offensive play of the game. He ran a short slant breaking five yards downfield, setting up the break with a shoulder fake on the cornerback playing three yards off him. Brown got the inside easily, catching the ball eight yards downfield and falling forward as he was wrapped at the legs for a gain of 13 with 14:51 in the first quarter. Brown caught a 12-yard out on the next play and he did an impressive job of accelerating at the top of the route to drive the defender into a back pedal before executing a quick break outside. This gave Brown a lot of separation to make the catch at the sideline. Brown caught a 20-yard curl, breaking back to the pass and catching the ball with his hands tight to his chest before stopping and turning back to the inside for another three yards on the subsequent play. Brown's fourth target came on 2nd and 3 with 10:48 in the first quarter on a play action fake and thrown downfield. Brown got open on a 22-yard corner route, catching the ball thrown behind him in the right flat and taking the hit as he was turning up field just after securing the ball. Brown set up the break outside by veering inside at the top of his route. He did a fine job of slowing down and turning his back to the defender to shield the pass from the oncoming corner. Good awareness of the sideline on a leaping, twisting catch of a 20-yard corner route on a release split wide left on 1st and 10 with 5:54 in the first quarter. He set up his route on the narrow side of the field very well, releasing towards the inside then veering outside before making a jab step inside to angle the break towards the sideline. He does a very good job telling a story on a route where the corner played about 10 yards off him. Good job sinking his hips in to his break on a 13-yard square in with 11:51 left.

Receiving

Brown's first target was a slant that he caught with his hands near his knees on the run after getting inside the defender eight yards downfield on 1st and 10 with 14:53 in the first quarter. He gained another five yards as the trailing cornerback dragged him down from behind. Brown did a very fluid job of reaching for this low throw on the run and securing it quickly. On the next play, Brown caught a 12-yard out with is hands extended down and away from his body, snaring the pass and keeping both feet inbounds. He made both of these catches look routine in a way that pro receivers do. Brown caught a 20-yard curl, breaking back to the pass and catching the ball with his hands tight to his chest before stopping and turning back to the inside for another three yards on the subsequent play. Brown's fourth target came on 2nd and 3 with 10:48 in the first quarter on a play action fake and thrown downfield. Brown got open on a 22-yard corner route, catching the ball thrown behind him in the right flat and taking the hit as he was turning up field just after securing the ball. Brown's fifth target went for 20 yards on a deep corner off play action to the left side of the field. He made a leaping turn back to the ball catching it with his hands near his back shoulder and landing with his pads facing downfield and his feet just inside the boundary. He chose to step out of bounds just ahead of the defensive back over top that had the angle and leverage to apply a hit that Brown would not have been in position to do anything productive with on 1st and 10 with 5:54 in the first quarter. His sixth catch was a 3rd and 5 corner route that he caught about 17 yards downfield at the left sideline with his hands. This time he set up the corner coming over top by waiting for him to get closer before turning inside of the defender's hit. This got him free along the left sideline for another 36 yards for the score with 4:09 in the first quarter. Brown's seventh target was a WR screen caught two yards behind the line of scrimmage in the left flat and he turned up field for a nine-yard gain with 14:01 in the second quarter. He caught the ball with his hands away from his body while facing his QB. Browned dropped another flanker screen on 1st and 10 with 12:55 it he half. The pass was a little high but the ball bounced off Brown's fingertips and into the flat. Brown made a good effort to turn and run after the ball. He actually appeared to toss the ball out of bounds as he was hit during the act of getting possession. The play was ruled a fumble on a rush for no gain, but to the eyes and action of what happened it was a dropped pass ruled a fumble. Brown got about three steps behind the cornerback on deep streak down the left flat off a 2nd and 7 play action pass with 7:09 in the third quarter, but he let the ball bounce off his hands in the end zone. The pass was a perfectly thrown ball 60 yards in the air. His final catch of the day was 13-yard in that he did a good job of cutting inside to get under two DBs to make the catch with 11:51 left.

Elusiveness

Brown made a quick stop and turn inside after catching a 20-yard curl to break up the field for another three yards on the third pass play (and his third catch in a row) to begin the game. His sixth catch was a 3rd and 5 corner route that he caught about 17 yards downfield at the left sideline with his hands. This time he set up the corner coming over top by waiting for him to get closer before turning inside of the defender's hit. This got him free along the left sideline for another 36 yards for the score with 4:09 in the first quarter.

Ball

Brown got hit from behind by the linebacker on the side he was carrying the football. Although the ball was a little loose from his body, he managed to hold on to the ball firmly on this 23-yard catch/run on the third play of the game. His sixth catch was a 3rd and 5 corner route that he caught about 17 yards downfield at the left sideline with his hands. This time he set up the corner coming over top by waiting for him to get closer before turning inside of the defender's hit. This got him free along the left sideline for another 36 yards for the score with 4:09 in the first quarter. He carried the ball under his left arm down the sideline on the play. Brown carried the ball under his left arm on a run up the left flat and hash for nine yards after catching a WR screen with 14:01 in the half.

Balance

Blocking

Brown got into the body of the corner on a 1st and 10 run with 14:00 in the first quarter. He delivered two decent pushes with his arms just inside the pads. Good footwork to stay in front of the safety on a running play bent towards Brown's side in the right flat on 1st and 10 with 5:30 in the first quarter. He does need to do a better job of getting both hands inside the pads of the defender and delivering a punch, but he did work hard to get his hands in good position and move his feet to continue shielding the defender away from the play. He showed the same good feet and high effort with better hand placement on a CB on the next play when split wide left and working hard to shield the defender in the left flat on a run to that side. Brown slide side-to-side with the CB about 5-7 yards with his pads square and hands in the chest of the cornerback for the entire length of the play. Good job sustaining his hand placement to the chest of the CB and standing the defender up at the left sideline on a block downfield on an end around for 14 yards on 2nd and 10 with 3:46 in the half.

Vision

His sixth catch was a 3rd and 5 corner route that he caught about 17 yards downfield at the left sideline with his hands. This time he set up the corner coming over top by waiting for him to get closer before turning inside of the defender's hit. This got him free along the left sideline for another 36 yards for the score with 4:09 in the first quarter. Brown flashed decent patience in the open field to slide inside of his fallen offensive lineman in the left flat as he dipped is run towards the inside hash on a nine-yard gain from a WR screen on 1st and 10 with 14:01 in the half.

Power