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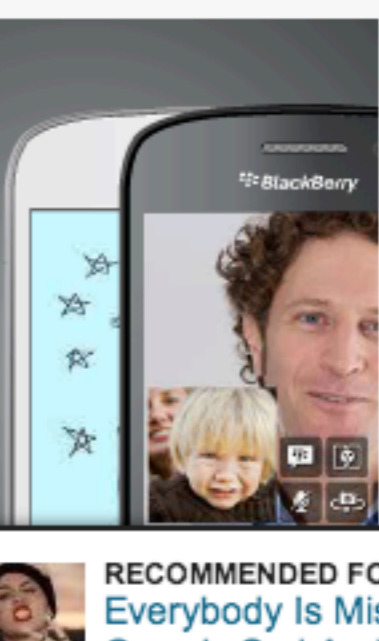
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in high school, gets a scholarship, and excels in college, there's almost no way they are going to go pro.

Scott Soshnick of Bloomberg tweeted a link today to the NCAA's official estimated probabilities that athletes in six major sports become professionals.

Only one sport (baseball) had more than 2% of NCAA players go pro.

These numbers are artificially low since they only count players who go pro in the US. But either way, the chances are really, really small.



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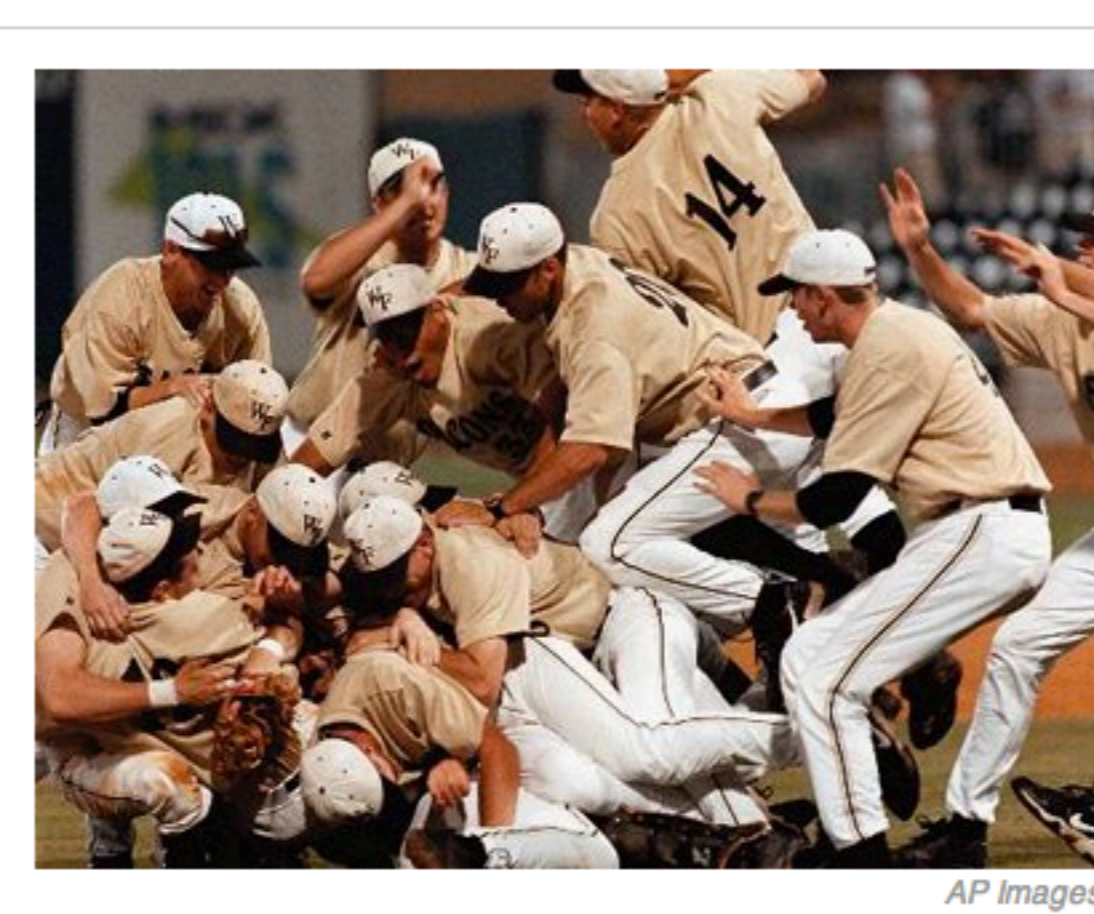
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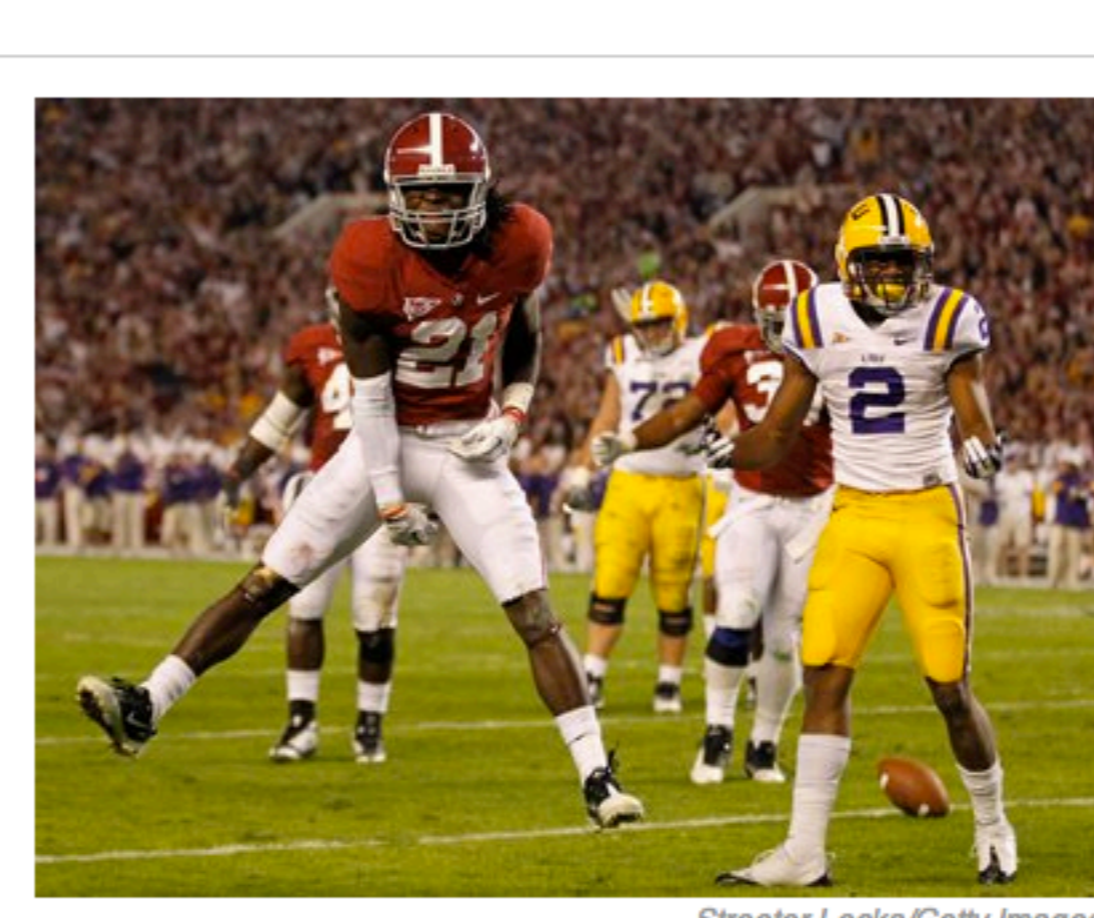
Baseball: 11.6% of college players play professionally, 0.6% of high school players do

High school players: 471,025
College players: 31,264
Draftees: 806
Source: NCAA

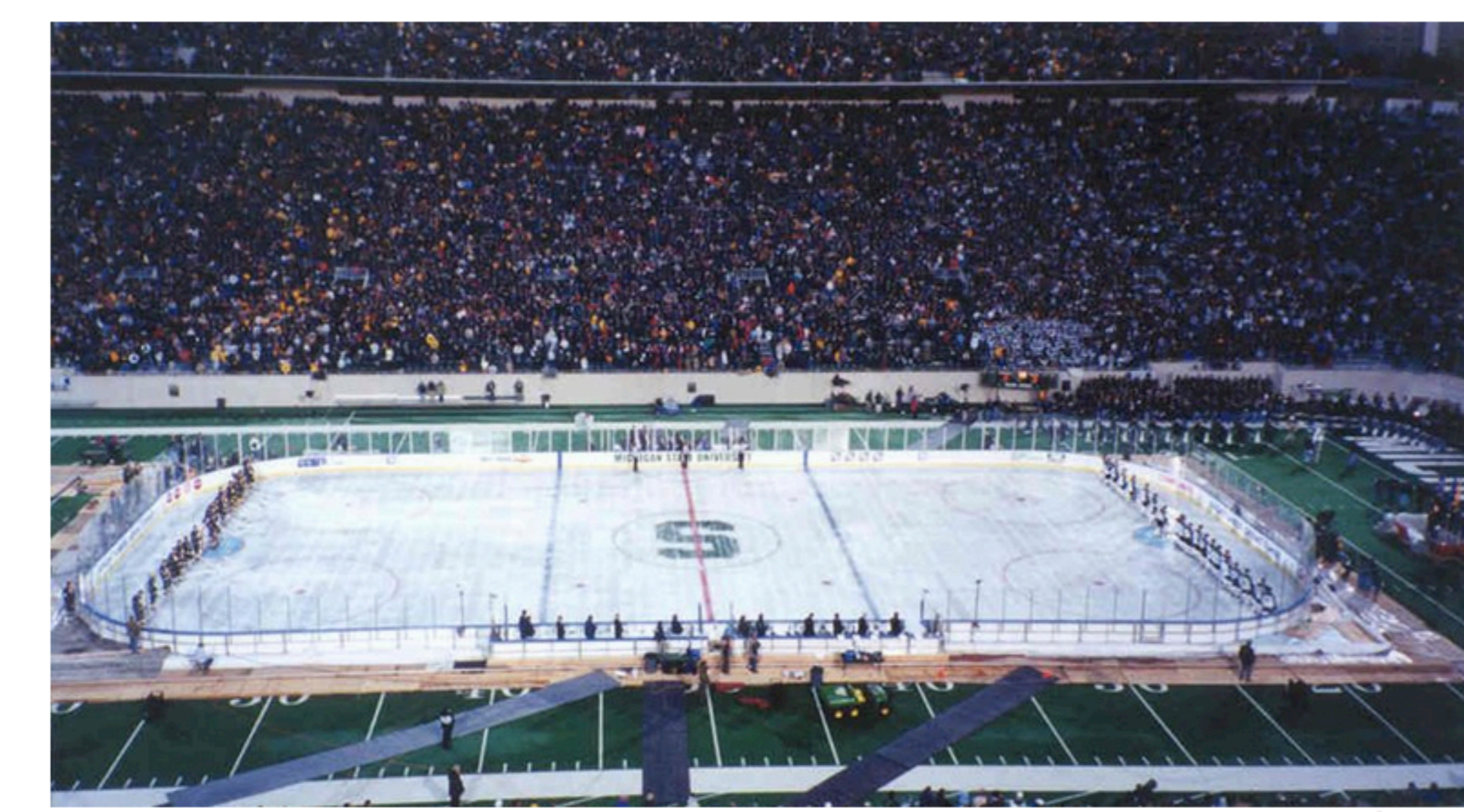


Football: 1.7% of college players play professionally, 0.08% of high school players do

High school players: 1,108,441
College players: 67,887
Draftees: 255
Source: NCAA



Men's ice hockey: 1.3% of college players play professionally, 0.1% of high school players do



High school players: 36,912
College players: 3,944
Draftees: 11
Source: NCAA

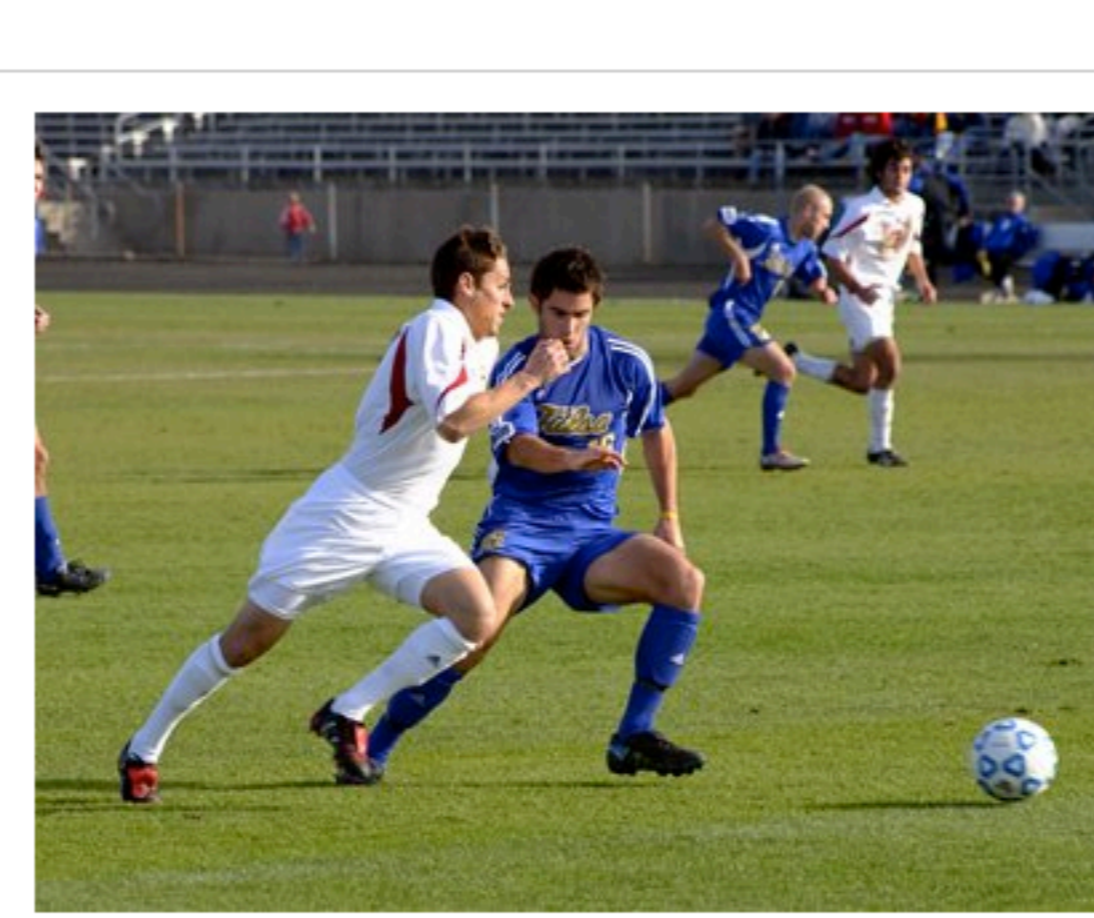
Men's basketball: 1.2% of college players play professionally, 0.03% of high school players do

High school players: 545,844
College players: 17,500
Draftees: 48
Source: NCAA



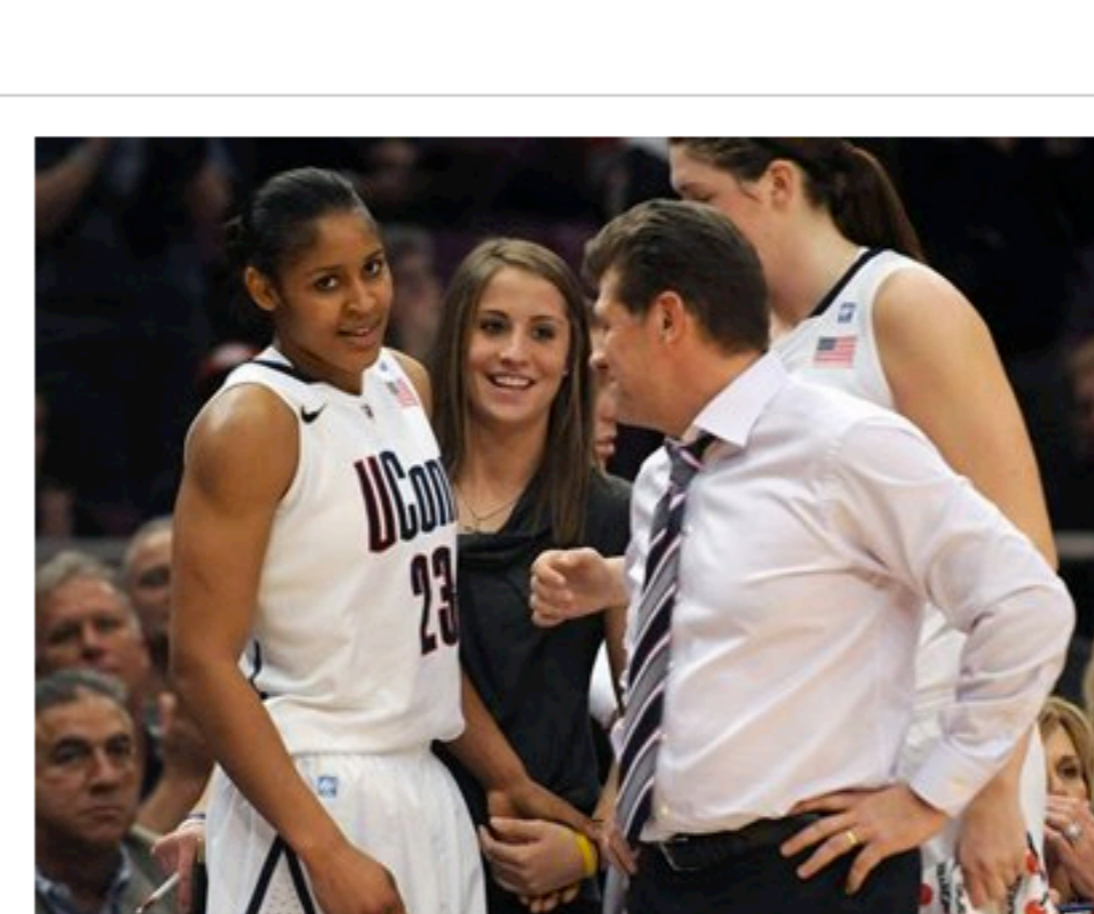
Men's soccer: 1.0% of college players play professionally, 0.04% of high school players do

High school players: 398,351
College players: 22,573
Draftees: 49
Source: NCAA



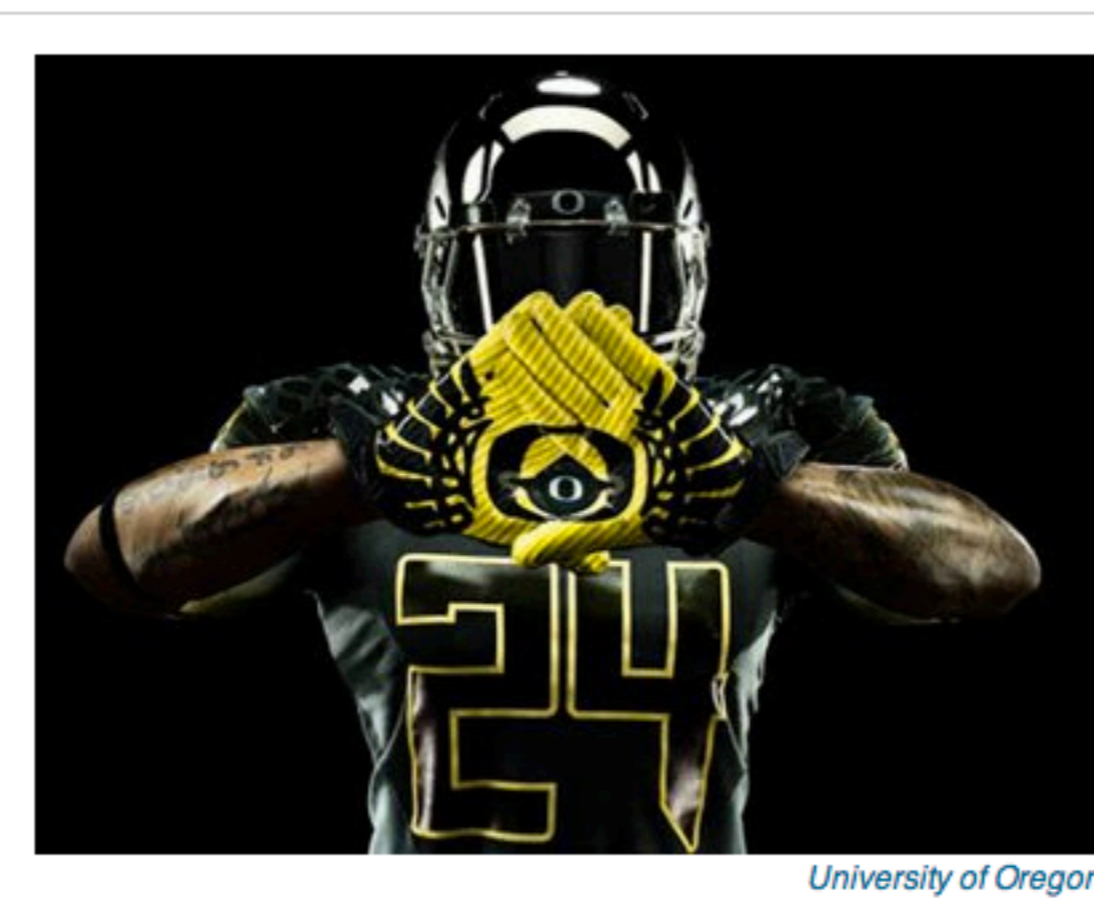
Women's basketball: 0.9% of college players play professionally, 0.03% of high school players do

High school players: 438,933
College players: 15,708
Draftees: 32
Source: NCAA



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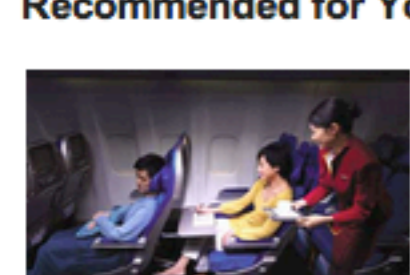
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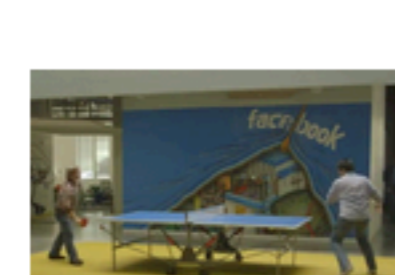
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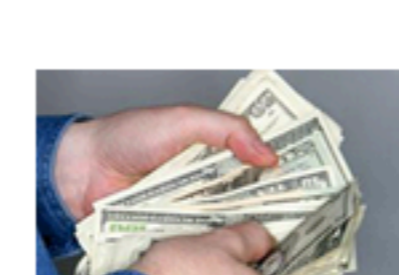
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