

SCOUTING REPORT

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OVERALL ANALYSIS

Overall Analysis

STRENGTHS

- Very good ability to get open
- Excellent hands

WEAKNESSES

- Inconsistent blocking
- Inconsistent competitiveness

BOTTOM LINE

Wilson displayed excellent hands and route-running capabilities. There were a few issues with footwork, where he would take too many steps in his cuts. However, that was not the norm. He showed very good to excellent ability to find the open spots in the defense and to separate himself from the defender. Very good in reacting to quarterback scrambles to get open. Very good yards after the catch. Fought hard to release from the line of scrimmage. Blocking was inconsistent. He was usually very good in run blocking, but struggled in pass protection. He was inconsistent blocking downfield.

OVERALL ANALYSIS

POSITION

Right End, Split End, Right Flanker

TEAMS

1951-60 San Francisco 49ers

UNIFORM NUMBER

58 (1951), 84 (1952-60)

GRADING SPECIFIC FACTORS

SPECIFIC FACTOR	GRADE	SPECIFIC FACTOR	GRADE
OVERALL ATHLETICISM (QAB):	7.9	RELEASE:	7.9
Quickness:	7.7	PASS ROUTES:	8.0
Agility:	8.0	SEPARATION:	8.0
Balance:	8.0	RECEIVE LONG	8.0
STRENGTH AND EXPLOSION:	7.3	RECEIVE SHORT:	8.1
COMPETITIVENESS:	7.4	HANDS:	8.1
MENTAL ALERTNESS:	7.9	ADJUST TO BALL:	8.0
INSTINCTS:	7.9	RUN AFTER CATCH:	7.7
INITIAL QUICKNESS:	7.7	BLOCKING:	7.3

OVERALL GRADE

7.7

NUMBER OF GAMES REVIEWED

7

SCOUTS

Primary Scout: Ken Crippen

Secondary Scout: Matt Reaser

GAME REVIEWS

Game Reviews

GAME REVIEW

DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
October 12, 1952	Detroit Lions	7.8

BOTTOM LINE

Wilson played the right offensive end and split end positions. He was a willing blocker and, for the most part, an effective blocker. However, in the first quarter, he missed on a block. The defender was able to pressure the quarterback and flush him to the outside. In the second quarter, Wilson sold a block well, which got him wide open for his touchdown reception. The defensive end hesitated for a split second because Wilson set up to block him. That caused the defender to be late to hit the quarterback (a split second after the ball was released). He displayed good footwork, but his route running was not crisp. He was extremely quick off the ball and fought off blocks well. In the second quarter, he did a very good job fighting off the defender to get inside of him for a first down reception. Wilson was injured in the third quarter while making a block. He left the game for a brief time. He came back, then left late in the fourth quarter when the game was decided.

GAME REVIEW

DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
November 15, 1953	Cleveland Browns	7.8

BOTTOM LINE

Very tight camera angle. As a result, it was difficult to grade his route-running and footwork. From what could be seen, he ran good to very good routes. Not always clean and crisp, but was able to find the soft spots in the defense. Very good release off the ball. Good blocker. Very good hands. Competitiveness was inconsistent.

GAME REVIEWS

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DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
September 26, 1954	Washington Redskins	7.5

BOTTOM LINE

Wilson played right offensive end and split end. He showed very good to excellent route-running and ability to get open. However, he had some difficulty catching passes in this game. In the first quarter, he was open downfield, but he did not track the ball well and it went through his hands. Also in the first quarter, he dropped a pass after being hit on a crossing pattern. But, he did catch a short out pass on a rollout for a touchdown. In the third quarter, he made a very good over-the-shoulder catch on what would have been a touchdown, but it was called back due to penalty. Blocking was average and he did display some issues with footwork. He left the game in the fourth quarter when the game was decided.

GAME REVIEW

DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
September 25, 1955	Los Angeles Rams	7.8

BOTTOM LINE

This is a television copy. The camera angles were extremely tight, which made it difficult to watch route-running. He showed very good hands on a crossing-pattern catch in the second quarter. Pass protection blocking was average to good. Run blocking was good to very good. Nice cut blocks. He made an excellent tackle on an interception in the second quarter. It saved the potential for a long return. He made an excellent catch in traffic in the third quarter and added yards after the catch. In the fourth quarter, a ball went off his hands for an interception. It was a catchable ball.

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DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
October 21, 1956	Detroit Lions	7.6

BOTTOM LINE

Wilson played right offensive end and split end. He had a very good catch in the first quarter. Not much yards after the catch as he did not turn up field, but stayed running horizontally. In the second quarter, he did an excellent job to hold on to the ball after getting hit hard along the sideline. Nice delayed crossing pattern in the third quarter for a short gain. He sold it well and used his teammate to pick off the defender. Also in the third quarter, excellent job pulling a high pass down for a reception. Twice in the second half, a ball hit his hands and he failed to make the catch. In the first instance, the defender knocked it out before he secured the ball. In the second instance, the ball was a little high and the defender knocked him down before he secured the ball. Blocking was average to good. Footwork was very good, but he did on occasion have too many steps in his cuts.

GAME REVIEW

DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
December 1, 1957	New York Giants	7.9

BOTTOM LINE

The camera angles made it difficult to grade most plays. Wilson played split end (left and right side), as well as right offensive end. In the first quarter, he made a nice catch on a crossing pattern from the left side. He was hit by multiple defenders who were trying to strip the ball. He held on for a nice gain. In the third quarter, he did a very good job losing the defender while the quarterback was scrambling to the right. Wilson went left and caught the pass for a touchdown. Excellent run after the catch on a reception in the fourth quarter.

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DATE	OPPONENT	OVERALL GRADE
October 19, 1958	Philadelphia Eagles	7.7

BOTTOM LINE

Wilson played right split end and right flanker. Average blocking. Very good getting open, as well as coming back to a scrambling quarterback. He made a nice catch coming back to the quarterback in the second quarter. He was in traffic and was able to hang on to the ball. Very good at catching balls in traffic. Excellent hands. Route running was not crisp or clean. Was slow off the line.

GRADING SCALE

Grading Scale

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CLASS	GRADE	DESCRIPTION
Hall of Fame	9.0	Rare
	8.5	Exceptional to Rare
	8.0	Exceptional
Hall of Very Good	7.5	Very Good to Exceptional
	7.0	Very Good
	6.5	Good to Very Good
Other	6.0	Good
	5.5	Above Average to Good
	5.0	Above Average
	4.5	Average to Above Average