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Kyle Nelson vs Cristian Perez Gonzalez

UFC Fight Night 291 — Lightweight

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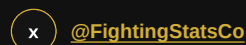
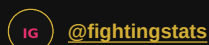
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UFC Debut / No UFC Stats — Cristian Perez Gonzalez (Red)

Cristian Perez Gonzalez ("El Puas") enters with **0 recorded UFC bouts** in the UFC Stats / Greco dataset. This package does **not** invent Octagon rates, empty A/B/C/D tables, leg tables or placeholder fight logs for the debut side. Physicals use Greco TOTT as recorded; unlisted values show —. **Kyle Nelson** carries the UFC sample (n=12 UFC bouts).

Matchup boards still render side-by-side for layout consistency; the debut side's OFF/DEF cells show — where no UFC sample exists (never zeros that imply a career). Pre-UFC record and tape notes: see the Scouting Report.



MATCHUP BRIEF — Nelson vs Perez

Matchup Brief — Kyle Nelson vs Cristian Perez Gonzalez

Fighting Stats Dashboard stats updated: 2026-10-11 (Greco weekly pull, through UFC 332 on Oct 3, 2026) **Research as-of:** 2026-10-11 **Bout:** Lightweight — **Kyle Nelson (Blue)** vs **Cristian Perez Gonzalez (Red, UFC debut)** — Main card, **3 rounds**, UFC Fight Night: Buckley vs Malott (UFC Fight Night 291), Sat Oct 17, 2026, Rogers Place, Edmonton

1. Quick Tape

Kyle Nelson (Blue)		Cristian Perez Gonzalez (Red)
17-7-1 · UFC 5-6-1	Record	15-2-0 · UFC 0-0 (DWCS 1-1)
35 (DOB Apr 20, 1991)	Age	27 (DOB Aug 17, 1999)
5'11" / 71"	Height / Reach	5'9" / 72"
Switch (UFC Stats)	Stance	Orthodox
House of Champions (Ontario)	Gym	Team Blacxicans (Ensenada); UFC PI Mexico City camp (2025)
Unranked LW	Ranking	Unranked LW (debut)
L1 (McKinney)	Streak	W2 (Santos, Paxton)
McKinney — TKO L R1 0:24 (Mar 28, 2026)	Last fight	Paxton — TKO W R2 1:06, Contender Series (Aug 18, 2026)
Pro: 6 KO / 4 SUB / 7 DEC	Win methods	Pro: 6 KO / 6 SUB / 3 DEC
No (4 UFC KO/TKO losses; 1 SUB)	Never finished?	No (1 TKO loss, Sousa R3)
203 days (~6.7 months)	Layoff into this bout	60 days (~2.0 months)
5-round title fight once (TXC, 2015)	Rounds 4–5 experience	None

No shared opponents. Nelson is one of 13 Canadians on the card (Sportsnet). Perez's two Contender Series fights are his only UFC-tracked sample.

Men's Lightweight division averages from the package division table (n≈455 with metrics). Perez has no UFC sample; his column is two Contender Series fights (19:06 total) and should be read as directional only.

Nelson (12 UFC)	Metric	Perez (2 DWCS)	Edge
3.60 (div 3.10)	SLpM	3.30	Nelson (slight)
4.58 (pctl ≈21)	SAPM	4.56	Even — both absorb heavily
45.8%	Str Acc	47%	Even
53.8%	Str Def	39%	Nelson
1.18	TD Avg /15	2.36	Perez
23.1% (9/39)	TD Acc	30% (3/10)	Perez (small sample)
66.7% (12/18 stuffed)	TD Def	88%	Perez (small sample)
0.52	Sub Avg /15	0.79	Perez
3:04 per 15	CTRL	3:55 per fight (UFCalendar)	Perez

Nelson (12 UFC)	Metric	Perez (2 DWCS)	Edge
1 in 12 UFC fights (0.13/15)	KD scored	1 credited in 2 (Sherdog reports 2 vs Paxton)	Perez
1 KD; 4 KO/TKO losses	KD / stoppages against	1 TKO loss	Perez
26.2%	Body share of sig landed	40%	Both invest; Perez more
17.9%	Leg share of sig landed	8%	Nelson kicks the legs more
Dist 83.8% / Clinch 13.1% / Ground 3.1%	Position share (sig landed)	Dist 63% / Clinch 32% / Ground 5%	Perez works the clinch
16.0 / 18.1 / 10.9	Avg SS landed by round (R1 / R2 / R3)	—	Nelson output falls in R3
22.6 / 20.8 / 12.6	Avg SS absorbed by round (R1 / R2 / R3)	—	Nelson most hittable early

Material Greco vs published note: Nelson's published UFC Stats (SLpM 3.60, SApM 4.58, TD 1.18 at 23%, TDD 66%) match Greco; the division table's rate cells for him differ slightly, so percentiles are approximate. Perez's UFC.com takedown-accuracy widget shows 0% despite a 2.36 TD average; UFCalendar's split (3 of 10) is used.

3. Style Clash (sourced, how they normally win)

Nelson path: Distance kickboxing with body and leg investment (44% of his landed strikes go below the head; Padilla: 20 leg, 19 body), above-average accuracy (45.8%), and late-round wrestling (0.86 takedowns per R3, Frevola R3 2/4, Choi R3 4/8). Three of his five UFC wins are decisions; his UFC finishes are two distance-punch TKOs (Reyes, Algeo).

Perez path: Pressure, clinch body work and a two-mode finishing game: six submissions (four RNCs) and six strike finishes, with all four wins since 2023 by punches. On the Contender Series he landed 40% of his strikes to the body, held Sousa down for most of two rounds, and dropped Paxton twice with left hooks.

Central tension: Nelson's problem in the UFC has been getting hurt and finished: 4.58 SApM, four KO/TKO losses, and 38.7% ground-strike defense, with three of the four stoppages finished on the mat. Perez's finishing style matches that weakness: he hurts opponents, then finishes with ground strikes (Santos from back mount, Paxton after a knockdown). On the other side, Perez's 39% SS defense in the Contender Series sample and his Sousa loss (control without damage, then hurt in R3) give a volume striker like Nelson a target, especially if the fight reaches R3. The fight likely turns on the clinch: Perez lands 32% of his strikes there, while 84% of Nelson's come at distance.

Physicals + context: Nelson +2" height; Perez +1" reach and 8 years younger. Perez comes in on a 60-day turnaround after a win; Nelson is 203 days removed from a 24-second loss and is the home-country fighter.

4. Optimal Matchup Path (keys — not picks)

For Nelson (Blue)

- Keep it at distance. 84% of his landed strikes come at range; Perez's clinch body work (13/16 in the Contender Series) is his best offense.
- Attack the body and legs early. He lands 26% body and 18% leg, and Perez has been hit at a 61% rate in his two UFC-tracked fights.
- Survive the opening five minutes. He absorbs the most in R1 (22.6 SS) and his last two losses were first-round stoppages.
- Use late takedowns to bank R3. His takedowns cluster in the final round, and Perez faded in R3 against Sousa.

For Perez (Red)

- Close to the clinch and work the body. That is where his Contender Series offense lived (32% of his landed strikes).
- Hurt him, then follow him to the mat. Three of Nelson's four UFC stoppage losses were finished with ground strikes, and he defends only 38.7% of them.
- Front-load the left hook. Both Paxton knockdowns came from it, and Nelson has been finished inside 24 seconds before.
- Avoid a slow grappling fight. Against Sousa, two rounds of control without damage set up the late comeback.

Expectation-break watch: (1) Nelson winning R1 would break the pattern of his last two losses. (2) Perez landing 2+ takedowns would put the fight on the floor, where Nelson has been most vulnerable. (3) A Perez stoppage by submission would be his first since Nov 2022. (4) A Nelson decision win would mean a debutant priced around -285 lost on points.

5. Last Five Fights (dates + time between)

Nelson — last 5 (all UFC)

#	Date	Opponent	Result	Method	Time since prior
1	Mar 28, 2026	Terrance McKinney	L	TKO (head kick and punches) R1 0:24	161 days after Frevola
2	Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	W	UD R3 (30-27, 29-28, 29-28)	406 days after Garcia
3	Sep 7, 2024	Steve Garcia	L	TKO (elbows and punches) R1 3:59 · 148.5-lb catchweight	161 days after Algeo
4	Mar 30, 2024	Bill Algeo	W	TKO (punches) R1 4:00	196 days after Padilla
5	Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	W	UD R3	98 days after Bilder

Into UFC FN 291 (Oct 17, 2026): 203 days (~6.7 months) since McKinney.

Perez — last 5

#	Date	Opponent	Result	Method	Time since prior
1	Aug 18, 2026	Logan Paxton	W	TKO (punches) R2 1:06 · DWCS, UFC contract	129 days after Santos
2	Apr 11, 2026	Gilberto Santos	W	TKO (punches) R1 2:11 · EXF 23	228 days after Sousa
3	Aug 26, 2025	Manoel Sousa	L	TKO (punches) R3 3:00 · DWCS	633 days after Piedrahita
4	Dec 2, 2023	Sebastián Piedrahita	W	TKO (punches) R2 0:17 · Combate Global	167 days after Cannetti
5	Jun 18, 2023	Bruno Cannetti	W	KO (punches) R1 1:26 · Combate Global	212 days after Ordóñez

Into UFC FN 291 (Oct 17, 2026): 60 days (~2.0 months) since Paxton. A Karate Combat bout (L UD, Jul 2024) sits inside the 633-day MMA gap.

6. Betting Snapshot

Disclaimer: Informational only. **Not betting advice.** As-of 2026-10-11.

Nelson (Blue)	Metric	Perez (Red)
+235 (UFCalendar) / +330 (CageOracle)	Opening	−306 (UFCalendar) / −400 (CageOracle)
+229 (30% implied)	Current consensus (UFCalendar, 12-book average)	−285 (74% implied)
Dog shortened	Line move	Favorite drifted — move toward Nelson since open

Book range: Perez −260 (BetOnline, BetUS) to −300 (BetMGM, Caesars, Circa); Nelson +210 (Betway) to +250 (Circa). DraftKings +215 / −265; Pinnacle +241 / −292; BetRivers +220 / −286. CageOracle's no-vig line is 29.7% / 70.3%; its model is 73% Perez, UFCalendar's model 63%.

7. Social Handles

Fighter	Instagram	Notes
Kyle Nelson	@themonster705_ufc	Verified account (Oct 2026)

Fighter	Instagram	Notes
Cristian Perez Gonzalez	@cristian_puasmma	Tagged by GOAT Worldwide in its 2025 Contender Series highlight post

No invented posts. Dana White's contract-night comments and the Noche UFC offer are sourced in the scouting reports.

8. Sources

- Full reports: [kyle-nelson-scouting-report-2026-10-11.md](#), [cristian-perez-gonzalez-scouting-report-2026-10-11.md](#)
- UFC.com athletes (Kyle Nelson; Cristian Perez Gonzalez, incl. Contender Series stat totals); UFC Stats fighter-details; Sherdog; Wikipedia
- UFC.com — Contender Series Season 9, Week 3 results; Sherdog and MMASucka — Contender Series 2026, Week 2 reports
- ESPN Deportes (Aug 2025); Combate Global (Nov 2021); Fightomic (Sep 2026); Sportsnet (Sep 22, 2026)
- UFCalendar odds board, model and stat splits; CageOracle odds board and model

Fighting Stats. Compact matchup package. As-of 2026-10-11.



SCOUTING REPORT — Kyle Nelson (Blue)

Kyle Nelson — Professional Scouting Report

Fighting Stats As-of: 2026-10-11 **Dashboard stats updated:** 2026-10-11 (Greco weekly pull, through UFC 332 on Oct 3, 2026) **Slug:** [kyle-nelson](#)

Fighter Header / Tombstone

Field	Detail
Full Name	Kyle Nelson
Nickname	"The Monster"
Weight Class & Ranking	UFC Lightweight — unranked
Record	17-7-1 (W-L-D); UFC 5-6-1
DOB / Age	April 20, 1991 / 35 (as of 2026-10-11; 35 on fight night Oct 17, 2026)
Birthplace	Huntsville, Ontario, Canada (UFC.com; Wikipedia)
Fights Out Of	Stoney Creek, Ontario (Wikipedia); lives in Huntsville
Gym	House of Champions (UFC.com "Trains at")
Height / Reach	5'11" / 71" (UFC Stats TOTT; UFC.com 71" / 71", leg reach 41")
Stance	Switch (UFC Stats); UFCalendar lists orthodox
Sherdog	Sherdog
UFC	UFC
UFC Stats	UFC Stats

1. Early Life and Athletic Background

Nelson was born and raised in Huntsville, Ontario (Wikipedia). He started training at 14: "I originally wanted to be a boxer but the only gym I could find was kickboxing and Jiu-Jitsu" (UFC.com Q&A). He competed as an amateur from 2011 (2-1 per Wikipedia; Sherdog lists one amateur win, a guillotine in May 2011) and turned pro in March 2012.

Before fighting full-time he worked "a lot of jobs: personal training, construction, a little bit of everything" (UFC.com Q&A). He names Georges St-Pierre as his favorite fighter, "a great example of what martial arts should be," and says he looks up to first responders and the military.

Outside the cage he is a father of four — Korbin, Griffin, Knox and Saoirse, his first daughter — hunts with his older sons, keeps chickens and meat rabbits, and volunteers as a firefighter for his local Huntsville department (UFC.com fighter facts and Q&A). The nickname came from the gym: "In training, everyone always referred to me as a monster, and it stuck" (UFC.com).

Sources: UFC.com athlete Q&A / facts; Wikipedia; Sherdog.

2. Training Gym, Coaches, and Training Partners

- **Primary gym:** House of Champions (UFC.com; Wikipedia lists "House of Champions MMA").
- **Rank:** BJJ black belt (UFC.com fighter facts: "Earned his BJJ black belt in November"; Wikipedia).
- **UFC.com fighting style:** "Jiu-Jitsu." His UFC output is mostly distance striking (see UFC Stats).
- **Development arc:** Canadian regional circuit (Ringside MMA, Score Fighting Series, UGC, SCC, Elite 1) → TXC title shot in Michigan → RXF in Romania (three wins) → UFC on short notice in Dec 2018.

Sources: UFC.com; Wikipedia; Sherdog.

2B. Social Media Deep Dive

Platform	Handle / URL	Status (as of 2026-10-11)
Instagram	@themonster705_ufc	Verified account; active through Sep 2026

Public moments that matter (sourced reporting):

- **Edmonton booking (Sep 22, 2026):** Announced as the 13th Canadian on the card, which Sportsnet called the most Canadians on a UFC event in history, with a Canadian in every bout.
- **Hometown coverage:** Hunters Bay Radio (Huntsville) previewed the fight on Sep 23, 2026.

3. Injury History and Medical Information

Documented items (official results / scratches / public reporting):

- **Visa scratch (Jun 2020):** Pulled from a 150-lb catchweight bout with Sean Woodson at UFC on ESPN 12 because of a visa issue; replaced by Julian Erosa (Wikipedia).
- **Missed weight (Sep 2024):** Weighed 148.5 lb for Steve Garcia, a short-notice replacement for Calvin Kattar. The bout went ahead at catchweight with 20% of his purse to Garcia, and he was stopped in R1 (Wikipedia). He moved up to lightweight for his next fight.
- **Stoppage losses:** Four UFC KO/TKO losses — Ferreira (R2, punches from mount, 2018), Quarantillo (R3 0:07, punch, 2020), Garcia (R1 3:59, elbows from half guard, 2024) and McKinney (R1 0:24, head kick and punches per Sherdog, 2026). The last two losses were both finished in the first round.
- **Activity:** A **679-day** gap between Quarantillo (Sep 2020) and Herbert (Jul 2022); no reason is on public record. A **406-day** gap between Garcia and Frevola.
- **Into Perez (Oct 2026):** **203 days** since the McKinney loss on Mar 28, 2026.

No medical clearance claim beyond public activity and confirmed booking.

Sources: Wikipedia; Sherdog; UFC Stats.

4. Professional Fight Promotions and Career Trajectory

Canadian regional (2012–2016): Won his first eight pro fights, mostly in Ontario and Quebec: Michael Dufort (UD, Ringside MMA 13, Fight of the Night), Jo Petahtegoose (armbar), Maxime Dubois (TKO, UGC 32), Neelan Hordatt-Reece (split), Alexander Halkias (UD) and Ainsley Robinson (guillotine, 42 seconds). First loss was a five-round UD to Adrian Hadribeaj for the **TXC lightweight title** in Novi, Michigan (Sep 2015). Won the vacant **Elite 1 MMA featherweight title** with a first-round TKO of Justin Bourgeois in Moncton (Apr 2016). Beat TUF 12 winner **Jonathan Brookins** by split decision (Oct 2016).

RXF Romania / BTC (2016–2018): RNC of Zoltan Turai (RXF 23), RNC of Gabriel Manuca (RXF 26), a 63-second KO of future UFC fighter Khama Worthy (BTC 1, Ontario) and a TKO of Morteza Rezaei (RXF 32, Nov 2018).

UFC (2018–present): Debuted 19 days after Rezaei, on short notice against Diego Ferreira at UFC 231 in Toronto (replacing Jesse Ronson); stopped in R2. Lost to Matt Sayles by R3 arm-triangle, then earned his first UFC win by R1 TKO of Marco Polo Reyes. KO'd by Billy Quarantillo seven seconds into R3 (2020). After a 22-month gap he lost a decision to Jai Herbert in London. A majority draw with Dooho Choi (Choi lost a point for a headbutt in R3) started a four-fight unbeaten run: Blake Bilder (UD, Vancouver), Fernando Padilla (UD, Noche UFC) and Bill Algeo (R1 TKO). Then: TKO loss to Garcia after missing weight, UD over Matt Frevola at lightweight in Vancouver (Oct 2025), and a 24-second TKO loss to Terrance McKinney in Seattle (Mar 2026).

Honors: Elite 1 MMA featherweight champion. No UFC bonuses on record.

Sources: Sherdog; Wikipedia; UFC.com.

5. Professional Record and Method Breakdown

Method pies — counts (overall pro — Sherdog / Wikipedia)

Wins (17): KO/TKO **6** (35%) · Submission **4** (24%) · Decision **7** (41%) **Losses (7):** KO/TKO **4** (57%) · Submission **1** (14%) · Decision **2** (29%) **Draws (1):** Majority draw (Choi)

UFC wins (5 — Greco): KO/TKO **2** · Submission **0** · Decision **3** **UFC losses (6):** KO/TKO **4** · Submission **1** · Decision **1**

Finish subtype pies (UFC-only — UFC Stats METHOD+DETAILS)

UFC KO/TKO wins (2): Punches at distance **2** (Reyes, Algeo) **UFC SUB wins (0):** — **UFC KO/TKO losses (4):** Punches from mount **1** (Ferreira) · Punch at distance **1** (Quarantillo) · Elbows from half guard **1** (Garcia) · Punches from half guard **1** (McKinney; Sherdog: head kick and punches) **UFC SUB losses (1):** Arm-triangle from mount **1** (Sayles)

Complete professional record (Sherdog / Wikipedia; UFC rows cross-checked to Greco)

Opp. record = opponent's pro record entering the bout, derived from Sherdog fight histories.

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2026-03-28	Terrance McKinney	17-8	L	TKO (head kick and punches)	1	0:24	UFC FN 271: Adesanya vs. Pyfer (Seattle)	7-5-0
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	11-5-1	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	UFC FN 262: De Ridder vs. Allen (Vancouver)	5-5-1
2024-09-07	Steve Garcia	16-5	L	TKO (elbows and punches)	1	3:59	UFC FN 242: Burns vs. Brady (148.5-lb catchweight)	5-2-0
2024-03-30	Bill Algeo	18-7	W	TKO (punches)	1	4:00	UFC on ESPN 54: Blanchfield vs. Fiorot	5-3-0
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	15-4	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Noche UFC: Grasso vs. Shevchenko 2	1-0-0
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	8-0-1	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	UFC 289: Nunes vs. Aldana (Vancouver)	1-0-0
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	14-4	D	Draw (majority)	3	5:00	UFC FN 218: Lewis vs. Spivac	3-3-0
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	11-4	L	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	UFC FN 208: Blaydes vs. Aspinall (London; lightweight)	1-3-0
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	14-2	L	KO (punch)	3	0:07	UFC FN 177: Waterson vs. Hill	2-0-0
2019-09-21	Marco Polo Reyes	14-6	W	TKO (punches)	1	1:36	UFC FN 159: Rodriguez vs. Stephens	4-3-0
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	7-2	L	Submission (arm-triangle choke)	3	3:16	UFC FN 151: Iaquinta vs. Cowboy	0-1-0
2018-12-08	Diego Ferreira	13-2	L	TKO (punches)	2	1:23	UFC 231: Holloway vs. Ortega (Toronto; lightweight)	4-2-0
2018-11-19	Morteza Rezaei	4-1	W	TKO (punches)	1	4:57	RXF 32	—
2017-05-27	Khama Worthy	9-5	W	KO (punch)	1	1:03	BTC 1: Genesis	—
2017-04-25	Gabriel Manuca	0-0	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	3:50	RXF 26: Brasov	—
2016-10-28	Jonathan Brookins	15-9	W	Decision (split)	3	5:00	Z Promotions: Fight Night 3 (Medicine Hat)	—

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2016-06-06	Zoltan Turai	3-4	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	3	1:23	RXF 23: Judgment Day	—
2016-04-23	Justin Bourgeois	7-5	W	TKO (punches)	1	2:01	Elite 1 MMA: Meltdown (vacant featherweight title)	—
2015-09-12	Adrian Hadribeaj	4-0	L	Decision (unanimous)	5	5:00	Triple X Cagefighting: Legends 6 (TXC lightweight title)	—
2014-05-30	Ainsley Robinson	5-2	W	Technical submission (guillotine)	1	0:42	Substance Cage Combat 2	—
2014-03-08	Alexander Halkias	4-1	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	PFC 2: Fight Night	—
2013-06-29	Neelan Hordatt-Reece	3-0	W	Decision (split)	3	5:00	Substance Cage Combat 1	—
2013-05-10	Maxime Dubois	3-0	W	TKO (punches)	2	1:36	UGC 32: Moment de Verite	—
2012-10-19	Jo Petahtegoose	1-0	W	Submission (armbar)	1	2:54	Score Fighting Series 6	—
2012-03-17	Michael Dufort	0-0	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Ringside MMA 13	—

(Row shading intent for PDF: W = green, L = red, D = grey.)

Notes: Wikipedia dates the Petahtegoose fight Sep 19, 2012 (Sherdog used). Opponent records of 0-0 are pro debuts per Sherdog. UFC.com's facts list ("11 of his last 18") is dated; Sportsnet's "12-1 in the UFC" is an error.

Finish Subtype Trends — Kyle Nelson

UFC-only subtypes parsed from UFC Stats METHOD + DETAILS (no invention). Full pro (Research) subtypes appear only where the scouting report already states them. Coverage differs for pre-UFC bouts — labels mark the source.

UFC-only win finishes (METHOD + DETAILS)

KO/TKO wins: 2 · Submission wins: 0

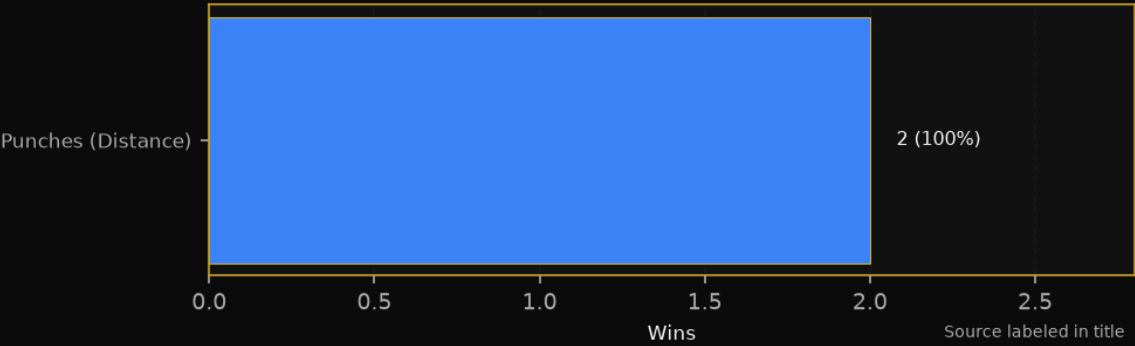
KO/TKO subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
Punches (Distance)	2	100.0%

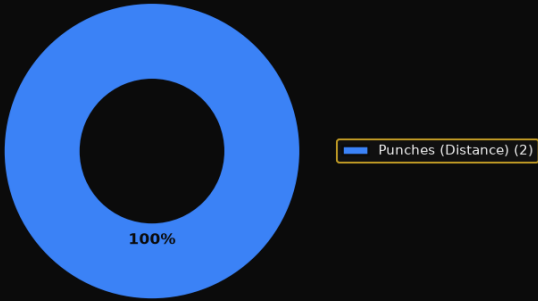
Submission subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
— none in sample —	0	—

Nelson — UFC-only KO/TKO win subtypes (Greco DETAILS)



Nelson UFC KO/TKO



Nelson — Full pro KO/TKO win subtypes (Research)

No finishes in sample

Full pro win finishes (Research Markdown)

KO/TKO wins (Research subtypes): 0 · Submission wins: 0 — includes pre-UFC.

Family	Subtype	Wins	Share	Source
—	none stated	0	—	Research

Nelson — Full pro Submission win subtypes (Research)

No finishes in sample

Nelson — Full pro KO/TKO win subtypes (Research)

No finishes in sample

Trend reads

- UFC-only KO/TKO wins (2): top subtype Punches (Distance) (2/2, 100.0%).
- UFC-only: no submission wins on record.
- UFC finishing losses: Punches x1 (KO/TKO); Elbows x1 (KO/TKO); Punches (Distance) x1 (KO/TKO); Punches (Ground / GnP) x1 (KO/TKO); Arm Triangle x1 (Submission).

UFC finishing losses (for context)

- KO/TKO — Punches x1
- KO/TKO — Elbows x1
- KO/TKO — Punches (Distance) x1
- KO/TKO — Punches (Ground / GnP) x1
- Submission — Arm Triangle x1

KYLE NELSON — FIGHT NARRATIVES (UFC)

Round stats from Greco ABCD tables / UFC Stats unless noted. Official judge cards from Greco DETAILS, shown from Nelson's perspective.

vs Terrance McKinney (Mar 28, 2026) — L TKO R1 0:24 — Seattle

- **R1: 1/3 SS vs McKinney 13/27; McKinney 0:13 CTRL.** Greco: punches from half guard; Sherdog: head kick and punches.
- **Primary tape vulnerability:** The fastest loss of his career, and his second first-round stoppage loss in three fights.

vs Matt Frevola (Oct 18, 2025) — W UD R3 (30-27, 29-28, 29-28) — Vancouver, lightweight return

- **R1: 23/55 vs 15/54; 1 KD and 10 ground strikes; conceded 1/1 TD and 1:01 CTRL.**
- **R2: 29/57 vs 21/69** — his busiest round; 6 body, 5 leg.
- **R3: 11/23 vs 7/13; 2/4 TD, 2:43 CTRL.**
- **Fight: 63/135 (47%) vs 43/136; 2/5 TD, 3:11 CTRL; Frevola 2/3 TD, 1:58 CTRL.**
- **Tape signal:** His only UFC knockdown scored, and a closing round won with wrestling.

vs Steve Garcia (Sep 7, 2024) — L TKO R1 3:59 (elbows from half guard) — 148.5-lb catchweight

- **R1: 1/2 SS vs 22/37; Nelson 2:13 CTRL, Garcia 1:36 CTRL.**
- **Tape signal:** Held control for over two minutes and still got finished from the bottom. Nelson missed weight for this fight.

vs Bill Algeo (Mar 30, 2024) — W TKO R1 4:00 (punches at distance) — Atlantic City

- **R1: 32/59 vs 30/58; 6 leg, 6 body, 4 clinch strikes; 0:48 CTRL.**
- **Tape signal:** A close, high-volume round that ended with his hands against a durable 18-7 veteran.

vs Fernando Padilla (Sep 16, 2023) — W UD R3 (30-27, 29-28, 29-28) — Noche UFC

- **R1: 25/50 vs 26/82; 8 leg kicks.**
- **R2: 30/58 vs 22/59; 8 body.**
- **R3: 27/76 vs 24/67; 0/2 TD.**
- **Fight: 82/184 vs 72/208** — his highest UFC volume; 0/3 TD; stuffed Padilla's only attempt. A pure kickboxing win with body and leg investment (20 leg, 19 body landed).

vs Blake Bilder (Jun 10, 2023) — W UD R3 (30-27, 30-27, 29-28) — UFC 289, Vancouver

- **Fight: 59/126 vs 45/120; stuffed 3/3 Bilder takedowns, though Bilder still took 2:45 of control from the clinch; 15 leg and 20 body strikes landed.**

vs Dooho Choi (Feb 4, 2023) — D Majority (28-28, 28-28; one card 29-27) — Las Vegas

- **R1: 1/4 vs 3/7; 1/1 TD, 1:56 CTRL; Choi 2:24 CTRL.**
- **R2: 16/49 vs 24/46.**
- **R3: 3/5 vs 23/25; 4/8 TD, 3:35 CTRL.** Choi was deducted a point for a headbutt (Wikipedia).
- **Fight: 20/58 vs 50/78; 5/10 TD, 5:34 CTRL.** Out-struck at range, kept in the fight by wrestling and the deduction.

vs Jai Herbert (Jul 23, 2022) — L UD R3 (28-29 ×3) — London, lightweight

- **R1: 19/27 vs 7/19** — won the round at 70% accuracy.
- **R2: 17/29 vs 24/36.**
- **R3: 5/6 vs 5/9; Herbert 3:28 CTRL.**
- **Fight: 41/62 vs 36/64; out-landed Herbert overall but conceded 5:57 of control.** First fight after a 679-day layoff.

vs Billy Quarantillo (Sep 12, 2020) — L KO R3 0:07 (punch)

- **R1: 25/59 vs 33/60.**
- **R2: 29/53 vs 43/85; Quarantillo 1/5 TD, 2:42 CTRL.**
- **R3: Knocked down and finished seven seconds in. Fight: 56/114 vs 79/150.** The only knockdown on his UFC record.

vs Marco Polo Reyes (Sep 21, 2019) — W TKO R1 1:36 (punches)

- **R1: 12/16 (75%) vs 6/10; 10 of his 12 landed strikes came in the clinch.** First UFC win.

vs Matt Sayles (May 4, 2019) — L SUB R3 3:16 (arm-triangle from mount)

- **R1: 14/48 vs 54/99; 2 SUB attempts; Sayles 2:08 CTRL.**

- **R2: 5/17 vs 6/14; 2/4 TD, 3:26 CTRL, 2 SUB attempts.**
- **R3: 7/28 vs 15/34; 0/6 TD; submitted.**
- **Fight: 26/93 vs 75/147; four submission attempts of his own, the most in any of his UFC fights.**

vs Diego Ferreira (Dec 8, 2018) — L TKO R2 1:23 (punches from mount) — UFC 231 debut, short notice, lightweight

- **Fight: 20/50 vs 54/102; Ferreira 2/4 TD, 3:28 CTRL, 1 SUB attempt.**

Career adversity / cardio trends: Nelson averages **16.0** SS landed in R1, **18.1** in R2 and **10.9** in R3, while absorbing **22.6**, **20.8** and **12.6**. His takedowns come late (**0.86** per R3 vs **0.08** per R1) and so does his control (**1:13** per R3). Three of his four KO/TKO losses were finished with strikes on the ground (Ferreira, Garcia, McKinney); two came in R1.

Expectation Breaks

- **Frevola (Oct 2025):** Back at lightweight, he scored his first UFC knockdown and won all three cards.
- **Padilla (Sep 2023):** **82** landed in a 15-minute kickboxing match, his career high.
- **Choi (Feb 2023):** Turned a losing striking fight (**20 vs 50**) into a draw with **5/10** takedowns.
- **Against priors — McKinney (Mar 2026):** Finished in **24 seconds**, five months after his best lightweight performance.

UFC Stats — Condensed Identity

Field	Value
Nickname	The Monster
DOB (age as of 2026-10-11)	April 20, 1991 (35)
Height / Weight / Reach	5'11" / 155 lbs / 71"
Stance	Switch
UFC record	5-6-1 (12 timed fights, 114.8 min; 7 at featherweight, 1 at catchweight, 4 at lightweight)

Career rates vs men's Lightweight division (Greco + package division table, n≈455 with metrics)

Metric	Nelson	Div avg	Δ	Read
SLpM	3.60	3.10	+0.50	Above avg (division table pctl ≈71)
SAPM	4.58	3.65	+0.93	Worse than avg (pctl ≈21) — absorbs a lot
SS Acc	45.8%	42.2%	+3.6	Above avg (pctl ≈62)
SS Def	53.8%	54.4%	−0.6	Avg (pctl ≈54)
TD Acc	23.1% (9/39)	36.0%	−12.9	Below avg (pctl ≈24)
TDD	66.7% (12/18 stuffed)	56.3%	+10.4	Above avg (pctl ≈64)
CTRL /15	3:04	2:51	+0:13	Avg (pctl ≈54)
CTRL against /15	3:26	3:41	−0:15	Avg (pctl ≈53)
KD rate /15	0.13 (1 KD)	0.28	−0.15	Below avg — not a one-punch finisher
KD absorbed /15	0.13 (1)	0.54	—	Few knockdowns, but four KO/TKO losses
TD Avg /15	1.18	—	—	Matches published UFC Stats (1.18)
Sub Avg /15	0.52 (4 attempts, all vs Sayles)	—	—	Published UFC Stats: 0.5

Striking mix: Head **55.9%** / Body **26.2%** / Leg **17.9%** of sig landed · Distance **83.8%** / Clinch **13.1%** / Ground **3.1%**. Absorbed: Head 57.1% / Body 23.8% / Leg 19.0%; **19.0%** of what he absorbs lands on the ground, and he defends only **38.7%** of ground strikes thrown at him.

Material Greco vs published ufcstats note: Published UFC Stats (SLpM 3.60, Acc 45%, SApM 4.58, Def 53%, TD 1.18 at 23%, TDD 66%, Sub 0.5) match Greco. The package division table's rate cells for Nelson differ slightly from his career figures (e.g. SLpM 3.82), so percentiles are shown as approximate. Most of his UFC sample is at featherweight; he is 1-3 in UFC lightweight bouts and 1-1 since moving up for good in 2025.

6. Fighting Style, Strengths, and How They Win

- **Body-and-legs kickboxer:** **44%** of his landed strikes go to the body or legs (Padilla: 20 leg and 19 body). His accuracy (**45.8%**) is above the division average.
- **Late wrestling:** Takedowns and control rise in R3 (Frevola R3 **2/4** TD and **2:43** CTRL; Choi R3 **4/8**). His takedown accuracy is low (**23%**), so these come off volume of attempts.
- **Decision fighter with finishing exposure:** Three of his five UFC wins are decisions, and he has gone the distance in five of his 12 UFC fights.
- **Size:** **5'11"** with a **71"** reach, tall for the lightweight division.
- **Risk flags:** **4.58** SApM (pctl ≈21); four UFC stoppage losses, two of them in his last three fights. He defends only **38.7%** of ground strikes. Age **35**.

Sources: Greco ABCD; UFC Stats; § narratives; UFC.com.

7. Community / Expert Predictions and Sentiment

Label: opinion / media narrative — not facts about fight outcome.

- **Market:** Underdog at about **+229** (UFCalendar 12-book average; opened **+235**). CageOracle shows **+220** after an opening of **+330**, so money has come in on Nelson since the line opened. No-vig market about **30%**; CageOracle's model **27%**, UFCalendar's model **37%**.
- **Framing:** Canadian veteran on a record-setting Canadian card (13 Canadians) against a Contender Series signee making his debut. Coming off a 24-second loss.
- **Style talk:** UFCalendar flags that his last two losses were both stopped early and that both fighters absorb more than 4.5 sig strikes per minute.

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SCOUTING REPORT — Cristian Perez Gonzalez (Red)

Cristian Perez Gonzalez — Professional Scouting Report

Fighting Stats As-of: 2026-10-11 Dashboard stats updated: 2026-10-11 (Greco weekly pull, through UFC 332 on Oct 3, 2026) Slug: cristian-perez-gonzalez

Fighter Header / Tombstone

Field	Detail
Full Name	Cristian Pérez González (UFC.com: Cristian Perez Gonzalez; UFC Stats / Greco: Cristian Perez)
Nickname	"Púas" / "El Púas"
Weight Class & Ranking	UFC Lightweight — unranked; UFC debut
Record	15-2-0 (W-L-D) pro (Sherdog); UFC 0-0 ; Dana White's Contender Series 1-1
DOB / Age	August 17, 1999 / 27 (as of 2026-10-11; 27 on fight night Oct 17, 2026)
Birthplace	Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico (UFC.com; ESPN)
Fights Out Of	Ensenada (CageOracle); based in Mexico City (Fightomic)
Gym	Team Blacxicans, Ensenada (early career, Fightomic); UFC Performance Institute Mexico City (2025 camp, ESPN); UFCalendar lists "The Goat Shed"
Height / Reach	5'9" / 72" (UFC Stats TOT; UFC.com 69" / 72", leg reach 41")
Stance	Orthodox
Sherdog	Sherdog
UFC	UFC
UFC Stats	UFC Stats

1. Early Life and Athletic Background

Pérez was born and raised in Ensenada, the Pacific port in Baja California (UFC.com; ESPN). According to a September 2026 Fightomic profile, his first sport was soccer, which he quit after six months. He then spent two years in martial arts under Enrique "Kike" Luna, which hooked him. He studied nutrition, and his father, Julio César Pérez, is his main sponsor and manager (Fightomic).

He has been in combat sports a long time for a 27-year-old: "tras 15 años en esta carrera" ("after 15 years in this career"), he told ESPN Deportes in August 2025. His amateur record on Sherdog is **4-1** (2015–2018) across Ensenada Xtreme Fighting, Warrior Championship Fighting and AZTK FC, with a triangle, an armbar and a leg-kick TKO among the wins.

He describes his jiu-jitsu as "a very solid purple belt" (post-fight interview, Sherdog, Aug 19, 2026).

Sources: UFC.com; ESPN Deportes (Aug 25, 2025); Fightomic (Sep 24, 2026); Sherdog.

2. Training Gym, Coaches, and Training Partners

- **Early team:** Team Blacxicans in Ensenada; coach Arafath Torres guided his early pro career (Fightomic).
- **2024–2025 camps (ESPN Deportes):** Alternated training in Miami, San Diego and São Paulo, including a 2024 camp at Diego Lima's Chute Boxe alongside former lightweight champion Charles Oliveira. Before his first Contender Series fight he spent five months at the **UFC Performance Institute in Mexico City** after his release from Combate Global.
- **Training partner:** Ramiro "El Cochinilla" Jiménez, a teammate "for years," who earned a UFC contract on the Contender Series a week before Pérez's first appearance (ESPN Deportes).
- **Representation:** GOAT Worldwide posted his Contender Series highlights in 2025; Fightomic names his father as manager.
- **Self-described approach (ESPN):** "Entrenar más y postear menos" — train more, post less.

Sources: ESPN Deportes; Fightomic; UFCalendar; GOAT Worldwide.

2B. Social Media Deep Dive

Platform	Handle / URL	Status (as of 2026-10-11)
Instagram	@cristian_puasmma	Tagged by GOAT Worldwide in its Contender Series highlight post

Public moments that matter (sourced reporting):

- **Contract night (Aug 18, 2026):** Dana White: "Cristian Perez could not look any better than he did tonight... I'd love to throw him on the Noche card" (MMASucka). The Noche UFC 4 (Sep 12, Glendale) debut never materialized (Fightomic).
- **On representing Mexico:** "I feel like I'm a dignified representative of Mexico" (via Fightomic, citing MMA Junkie). Fightomic frames him as the lone Mexican in a building full of home fighters; every bout on the card features a Canadian (Sportsnet).

3. Injury History and Medical Information

Documented items (official results / public reporting):

- **Staph infection (2024):** After a Karate Combat 48 loss in Nashville (Jul 25, 2024), he developed a staph infection that went undetected for days and became life-threatening (Fightomic). The Karate Combat bout is not part of his MMA record.
- **Only stoppage loss:** TKO (punches) by Manoel Sousa at 3:00 of R3 on the 2025 Contender Series. Fightomic reports a shot to the nose turned the fight.
- **Durability:** One stoppage loss in 17 pro MMA fights; his other loss was a decision in the final of a one-night, three-fight tournament (Nov 2021).
- **Activity:** A **633-day** gap between Piedrahita (Dec 2023) and Sousa (Aug 2025), covering his Combate Global release and the Karate Combat bout. Three fights since Aug 2025.
- **Into Nelson (Oct 2026):** **60 days** since the Paxton win (Aug 18, 2026), the shortest turnaround into a fight since 2021.

No medical clearance claim beyond public activity and confirmed booking.

Sources: Fightomic; UFC.com; Sherdog; Tennessee Athletic Commission results (Karate Combat 48).

4. Professional Fight Promotions and Career Trajectory

Combate Americas / Combate Global (2019–2023): Turned pro on Feb 8, 2019 at Combate 30 in Mexicali with a third-round RNC of Saul Cabrera. Won his first eight fights: Jair Pérez (UD), Román López (RNC), Geraldo Almonte (heel hook in **29 seconds**, at an event billed as the 2021 Lightweight Championship Tournament), Brian Del Rosario (RNC) and veteran Dumar Roa (RNC; 17-9). At the Nov 12, 2021 **USA vs. Mexico one-night, eight-man tournament** he stopped alternate Alfredo Ruelas (TKO R1 2:49) and out-pointed Patrick Lehané in the semifinal, then lost the final by UD to Enrique Gonzalez, who "had full ground control" (Combate Global). Combate Global described him as "a heavy favorite" going in.

He followed with five straight wins: Sebastián Santana Guedes (UD), Samuel Alvarez (KO R3), Gilber Ordóñez (arm-triangle), Bruno Cannetti (KO R1 1:26; a former Combate Global featherweight champion per Fightomic) and Sebastián Piedrahita (TKO 17 seconds into R2, a Miami headliner per Fightomic). He left Combate Global at **13-1** (ESPN).

Karate Combat (Jul 2024): Lost a unanimous decision to John Marquez at Karate Combat 48 in Nashville (Tennessee commission results; not MMA).

Contender Series, first try (Aug 26, 2025): Out-grappled Manoel Sousa (12-1) for two rounds, then was finished at 3:00 of R3. Sousa received the contract (UFC.com).

Rebuild and contract (2026): Headlined EXF 23 in Ensenada (Apr 11) with a first-round TKO of Gilberto Santos from back mount (Fightomic). Returned to the Contender Series on Aug 18, 2026 and stopped Logan Paxton (10-1, on a nine-fight win streak per Fightomic) at 1:06 of R2, earning the contract. Booked against Kyle Nelson in Edmonton on Sep 22, 2026 (Sportsnet).

Sources: Sherdog; Combate Global; ESPN Deportes; UFC.com; MMASucka; Sherdog news; Fightomic; Sportsnet.

5. Professional Record and Method Breakdown

Method pies — counts (overall pro — Sherdog)

Wins (15): KO/TKO **6** (40%) · Submission **6** (40%) · Decision **3** (20%) **Losses (2):** KO/TKO **1** (50%) · Submission **0** · Decision **1** (50%)

UFC wins / losses: 0-0 — no UFC sample.

Finish subtype pies (pro — Sherdog METHOD)

KO/TKO wins (6): Punches 6 (Paxton, Santos, Piedrahita, Cannetti, Alvarez, Ruelas) **SUB wins (6):** Rear-naked choke 4 (Cabrera, López, Del Rosario, Roa) · Heel hook 1 (Almonte) · Arm-triangle 1 (Ordóñez) **KO/TKO losses (1):** Punches 1 (Sousa)

Complete professional record (Sherdog)

Opp. record = opponent's pro record entering the bout, derived from Sherdog fight histories.

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2026-08-18	Logan Paxton	10-1	W	TKO (punches)	2	1:06	Dana White's Contender Series 2026, Week 2	—
2026-04-11	Gilberto Santos	6-7	W	TKO (punches)	1	2:11	Elite Xtreme Fighting 23 (Ensenada)	—
2025-08-26	Manoel Sousa	12-1	L	TKO (punches)	3	3:00	Dana White's Contender Series 2025, Week 3	—
2023-12-02	Sebastián Piedrahita	11-4	W	TKO (punches)	2	0:17	Combate Global: Púas vs. Piedrahita	—
2023-06-18	Bruno Cannetti	10-6	W	KO (punches)	1	1:26	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Cannetti	—
2022-11-18	Gilber Ordóñez	10-5	W	Submission (arm-triangle choke)	2	3:26	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Huila	—
2022-08-05	Samuel Alvarez	7-5	W	KO (punches)	3	3:14	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Alvarez	—
2022-04-22	Sebastián Santana Guedes	8-4-1	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Guedes	—
2021-11-12	Enrique Gonzalez	9-4	L	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Combate Global: USA vs. Mexico (tournament final)	—
2021-11-12	Patrick Lehane	3-0	W	Decision (unanimous)	1	5:00	Combate Global: USA vs. Mexico (semifinal)	—
2021-11-12	Alfredo Ruelas	2-1	W	TKO (punches)	1	2:49	Combate Global: USA vs. Mexico (quarterfinal)	—
2021-09-10	Dumar Roa	17-9	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	3:30	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Roa	—
2021-05-21	Brian Del Rosario	5-4	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	2:49	Combate Global: Pérez vs. Del Rosario	—
2021-04-23	Geraldo Rosa Almonte	3-2	W	Submission (heel hook)	1	0:29	Combate Global: 2021 Lightweight Championship Tournament	—

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2020-02-21	Román López	1-1	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	3:02	Combate Americas 55 (Mexicali)	—
2019-09-20	Jair Pérez	3-0	W	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Combate Americas 44 (Mexicali)	—
2019-02-08	Saul Cabrera	3-1-1	W	Submission (rear-naked choke)	3	2:31	Combate 30: Combate Baja (Mexicali)	—

(Row shading intent for PDF: W = green, L = red.)

Notes: Combate Global's own tournament recap lists different entering records for some opponents (Gonzalez 12-4 after the event, Lehane 4-1, Ruelas 2-2); Sherdog records are used. The Lehane semifinal was a one-round tournament bout. MMASucka's Aug 2026 report says Sousa won by decision; UFC.com, Sherdog and the UFC.com fight-time totals all confirm a TKO at 3:00 of R3.

Amateur (Sherdog): 4-1 — Angel Gonzales (L, EXF 2, Apr 2015), Humberto René Argáez (W, triangle, 0:26, Dec 2016), Uriel Angulo (W, TKO leg kick and punches, Jun 2017), Christopher McElroy (W, armbar, Sep 2017), Isaac Villegas (W, split decision, Nov 2018).

Other combat sports: Karate Combat 48, Jul 25, 2024 — L UD vs John Marquez (Nashville; Tennessee Athletic Commission results).

Finish Subtype Trends — Cristian Perez

UFC-only subtypes parsed from UFC Stats METHOD + DETAILS (no invention). **Full pro (Research)** subtypes appear only where the scouting report already states them. Coverage differs for pre-UFC bouts — labels mark the source.

UFC-only win finishes (METHOD + DETAILS)

KO/TKO wins: 0 · Submission wins: 0

KO/TKO subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
— none in sample —	0	—

Submission subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
— none in sample —	0	—

Perez — UFC-only Submission win subtypes (Greco DETAILS)

No finishes in sample

Perez UFC Submissions

Perez — UFC-only KO/TKO win subtypes (Greco DETAILS)

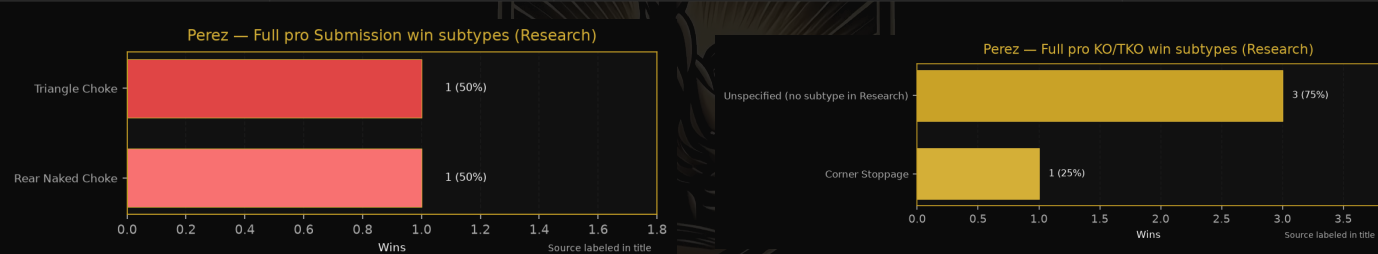
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No finishes in sample

Full pro win finishes (Research Markdown)

KO/TKO wins (Research subtypes): 4 · Submission wins: 2 — includes pre-UFC.

Family	Subtype	Wins	Share	Source
KO/TKO	Unspecified (no subtype in Research)	3	75.0%	Research
KO/TKO	Corner Stoppage	1	25.0%	Research
Submission	Triangle Choke	1	50.0%	Research
Submission	Rear Naked Choke	1	50.0%	Research



Trend reads

- UFC-only: no KO/TKO wins on record.
- UFC-only: no submission wins on record.
- Full pro (Research) win finish subtypes -- KO/TKO Unspecified (no subtype in Research) x3, Corner Stoppage x1; SUB Triangle Choke x1, Rear Naked Choke x1 (includes pre-UFC; Research method strings).
- Pre-UFC / Research-only subtypes not seen in UFC Stats DETAILS: Triangle Choke.

CRISTIAN PEREZ GONZALEZ — FIGHT NARRATIVES (Contender Series + key regional)

UFC Stats tracks his two Contender Series fights; per-fight round tables could not be retrieved, so these narratives use official recaps and fight reports. Combined Contender Series rates are in the UFC Stats section.

vs Logan Paxton (Aug 18, 2026) — W TKO R2 1:06 (punches) — Contender Series 2026, Week 2 · UFC contract

- **R1:** A cautious start. He landed body shots inside two minutes, absorbed “some crisp punches” and was taken down once, got straight back up, and stuffed a later attempt. A broadcast graphic had him trailing **21-27** in sig strikes late in the round (MMASucka).
- **R2:** Wobbled Paxton with a left hook, kept pressing with combinations and dropped him with a second left hook, finishing with ground strikes (MMASucka). Sherdog: “knocking down Paxton twice and finishing him the second time.”
- **Tape signal:** A deliberate shift from his grappling plan: “When you come here, Dana doesn’t want you to come here just to win the fight; he wants you to come here and impress” (Sherdog).

vs Gilberto Santos (Apr 11, 2026) — W TKO R1 2:11 (punches) — EXF 23, Ensenada (headliner)

- Finished with punches from back mount (Fightomic) against a 6-7 opponent, earning a second Contender Series call.

vs Manoel Sousa (Aug 26, 2025) — L TKO R3 3:00 (strikes) — Contender Series 2025, Week 3

- **R1–R2:** “Perez dominated on the canvas in each of the first two rounds, but wasn’t able to do any real damage or get Sousa out of there” (UFC.com recap). Sousa started finding success on the feet late in R2.
- **R3:** Sousa “busted up Perez, hurting him and leaving him covering up, unable to intelligently defend himself” (UFC.com). Fightomic reports a shot to the nose changed the fight.
- **Primary tape vulnerability:** Two rounds of top control without damage, then a stoppage once the fight moved to the feet against a fighter chasing a finish.

vs Sebastián Piedrahita (Dec 2, 2023) — W TKO R2 0:17 (punches) — Combate Global main event

- A 17-second R2 finish of an 11-4 opponent; his last fight before leaving the promotion at 13-1.

vs Bruno Cannetti (Jun 18, 2023) — W KO R1 1:26 (punches) — Combate Global

- A first-round knockout of a 10-6 former Combate Global featherweight champion (Fightomic).

vs Enrique Gonzalez (Nov 12, 2021) — L UD R3 — Combate Global USA vs. Mexico final

- His third fight of the night, after a TKO and a decision. Combate Global: “Gonzalez had full ground control. Perez’s jiu jitsu did not exist as Gonzalez shut the door on his opponent landing hammer fists and out striking him.”
- **Tape signal:** The only time a regional opponent controlled him on the mat, in a one-night tournament.

Submission run (2019–2021)

- Six of his first eight wins were submissions, five in R1, including a **29-second** heel hook (Almonte) and an RNC of 26-fight veteran Dumar Roa.

Career adversity / cardio trends: He has finished in all three rounds (R3 RNC of Cabrera, R3 KO of Alvarez) and fought three times in one night. Both losses came late in fights (R3 vs Sousa, a third bout of the night vs Gonzalez). Recent finishes have shifted from submissions (2019–2022) to punches: all four of his wins since 2023 came by strikes.

Expectation Breaks

- **Paxton (Aug 2026):** Beat a 10-1 opponent on a long finishing streak, by knockdown, after switching from a grappling plan to striking.
- **Almonte (Apr 2021):** A 29-second leg-lock finish, his fastest pro win.
- **Against priors — Sousa (Aug 2025):** Ahead after two rounds of top control on the biggest stage of his career, and stopped in R3.

UFC Stats — Condensed Identity

No UFC sample exists. Pérez has **0** UFC bouts in UFC Stats / Greco. The figures below are UFC.com’s published totals for his **two Contender Series fights** (19:06 total; average fight time 9:33), with range and target splits from UFCalendar’s rendering of the same data. Treat them as a **very small sample**.

Field	Value
Nickname	El Puas
DOB (age as of 2026-10-11)	August 17, 1999 (27)
Height / Weight / Reach	5'9" / 155 lbs / 72" (leg reach 41")
Stance	Orthodox
UFC record	0-0 (debut); Contender Series 1-1 (UFC.com shows 1-1-0)

Contender Series rates (UFC.com) vs men’s Lightweight division context (n≈455)

Metric	Pérez (2 DWCS fights)	LW div avg (UFC)	Read
SLpM	3.30	3.10	Near avg
SAPM	4.56	3.65	High — mostly the Sousa R3
SS Acc	47% (63/135)	42.2%	Above avg
SS Def	39%	54.4%	Well below avg
TD Avg /15	2.36	—	Wrestling-heavy first fight

Metric	Pérez (2 DWCS fights)	LW div avg (UFC)	Read
TD Acc	30% (3/10, UFCalendar); UFC.com widget shows 0%	36.0%	Below avg; UFC.com display conflicts with its own 2.36 average
TDD	88%	56.3%	Strong
Sub Avg /15	0.79	—	One attempt
KD Avg /15	0.79	0.28	One credited knockdown (Sherdog reports two vs Paxton)
Control per fight	3:55 (UFCalendar)	—	Top-heavy vs Sousa

Sig strikes by position (UFC.com): Distance **40 (63%)** / Clinch **20 (32%)** / Ground **3 (5%)**. By target: Head **33 (52%)** / Body **25 (40%)** / Leg **5 (8%)**. Clinch body strikes landed at **13/16**. Time in position over the two fights (UFCalendar): **46%** distance, **10%** clinch, **44%** ground.

6. Fighting Style, Strengths, and How They Win

- **Two-mode finisher:** Six submission and six strike finishes. Early career built on back-takes and chokes (four RNCs, a heel hook, an arm-triangle); since 2023 every finish has come from punches.
- **Body work:** **40%** of his Contender Series sig strikes went to the body, many in the clinch (**13/16**). Fightomic describes him softening opponents up with punches, then finishing with ground strikes (Santos from back mount, Paxton with ground strikes after a knockdown).
- **Wrestling and top control:** **2.36** TD per 15 and **88%** TDD in the Contender Series sample; controlled Sousa for most of two rounds.
- **Left hook:** Both Paxton knockdowns came from the left hook (MMASucka).
- **Risk flags:** **39%** SS defense and **4.56** SApM in the DWCS sample. The Sousa loss showed control without damage followed by a late stoppage. No UFC sample, a 60-day turnaround, and a debut in a hostile building.

Sources: UFC.com; UFCalendar; MMASucka; Sherdog; Fightomic; § narratives.

7. Community / Expert Predictions and Sentiment

Label: opinion / media narrative — not facts about fight outcome.

- **Market:** Favorite at about **−285** (UFCalendar 12-book average; opened **−306**). CageOracle shows **−286** after an opening of **−400**, so the line has drifted toward Nelson. No-vig market about **70%**; CageOracle's model **73%**, UFCalendar's model **63%**.
- **Framing:** A 27-year-old Contender Series signee with a 15-2 record against a 35-year-old Canadian veteran coming off a 24-second loss. White's post-fight praise and the quick booking frame him as a prospect the UFC wants to move.
- **Style talk:** UFCalendar notes he stops 88% of takedowns (better than 92% of UFC fighters) but, like Nelson, absorbs more than 4.5 sig strikes per minute. CageOracle lists his record as 2-1, counting only Contender Series bouts.

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Fighting Stats. As-of 2026-10-11. Opinions labeled in §7.

Kyle Nelson

VS

Cristian Perez Gonzalez

Blue OFFENSE

Red DEFENSE · UFC DEBUT — no UFC sample

Striking Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
83.8%	13.1%	3.1%

Striking Accuracy

Distance Acc	Clinch Acc	Ground Acc
43.5%	62.8%	65.0%

Offensive Knockdowns

KD	KD Rate
1	0.13

Head Target	Head Accuracy
56%	35%

Body Target	Body Accuracy
26%	72%

Leg Target	Leg Accuracy
18%	87%

Strikes Against Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
—	—	—

Striking Defense

Distance Def	Clinch Def	Ground Def
—	—	—

Knockdowns Against

KD	KD Rate
—	—

Offensive Takedowns

TD Attempted	TD Success	TD Accuracy	Control (sec)	Control / TD	SUB.ATT	REV.
39	9	23.1%	1411	156.8	4	0

Takedown Defense

TDD Att	TDD Success	TDD %	Control Against (s)	Ctrl allowed/TD	SUB.ATT ag	REV. ag
—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Kyle Nelson

VS

Cristian Perez Gonzalez

Blue DEFENSE

Red OFFENSE · UFC DEBUT — no UFC sample

Strikes Against Distribution		
Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
72.8%	8.2%	19.0%

Striking Defense		
Distance Def	Clinch Def	Ground Def
58.3%	25.9%	38.7%

Knockdowns Against	
KD	KD Rate
1	0.13

Head Target Against	Head Strike Def
57%	65%

Body Target Against	Body Defense
24%	20%

Leg Target Against	Leg Strike Def
19%	15%

Head Target	Head Accuracy
—	—

Body Target	Body Accuracy
—	—

Leg Target	Leg Accuracy
—	—

Striking Distribution		
Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
—	—	—

Striking Accuracy		
Distance Acc	Clinch Acc	Ground Acc
—	—	—

Offensive Knockdowns	
KD	KD Rate
—	—

Takedown Defense						
TDD Att	TDD Success	TDD %	Control Against (s)	Ctrl allowed/TD	SUB.ATT ag	REV. ag
18	12	66.7%	1577	262.8	2	4

Offensive Takedowns						
TD Attempted	TD Success	TD Accuracy	Control (sec)	Control / TD	SUB.ATT	REV.
—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Statistical Matchup Package

Dashboard stats updated: 2026-10-11.

Tale of the Tape

Blue = Kyle Nelson ("The Monster") · Red = Cristian Perez Gonzalez ("El Puas").

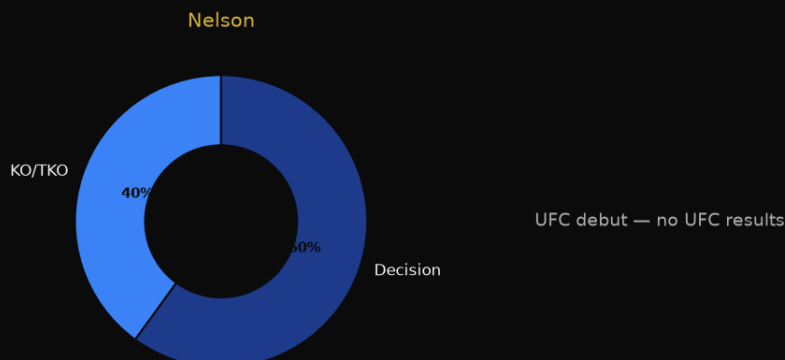
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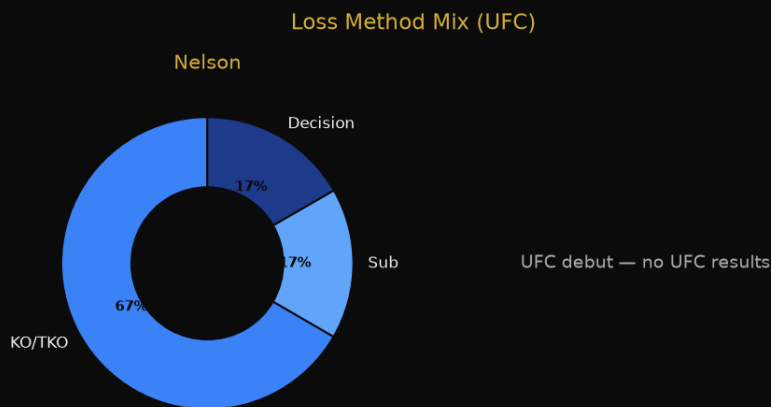
Term	Meaning
SLpM	Significant strikes landed per minute of fight time
SS Acc	Significant-strike accuracy (landed ÷ attempted)
Str Def	Striking defense % (share of opponent sig attempts missed)
TD Acc	Takedown accuracy (landed ÷ attempted)
TDD	Takedown defense % (stuff rate)
CTRL	Control time on the ground / clinch control clock
KD	Knockdowns scored (or absorbed, when labeled)
Stand/sig per 15	Projected significant-strike pace if stand-up lasted a full 15 min on striking-time basis (fight time – CTRL)
Striking time	Round/fight clock minus control time (mm:ss and % of round clock)

Tale of the Tape — Quick Look

UFC Record 5-6-1 Nelson · Blue	Age 35 Nelson	Height 5' 11" Nelson	Reach 71" Nelson	Stance Switch Nelson
UFC Record Debut Perez · Red	Age 27 Perez	Height 5' 9" Perez	Reach 72" Perez	Stance Orthodox Perez

Win Method Mix (UFC)





Matchup board read — one side debuting

Cristian Perez Gonzalez has no UFC sample, so the boards show — on that side and no offense-vs-defense gaps are computed. Nelson's UFC numbers (n=12 bouts): SS Acc **45.8%** · Str Def **53.8%** · TD Acc **23.1%** (9/39) · TDD **66.7%** · KD scored **1** · KD absorbed **1**. Perez's pre-UFC profile: see the Scouting Report.

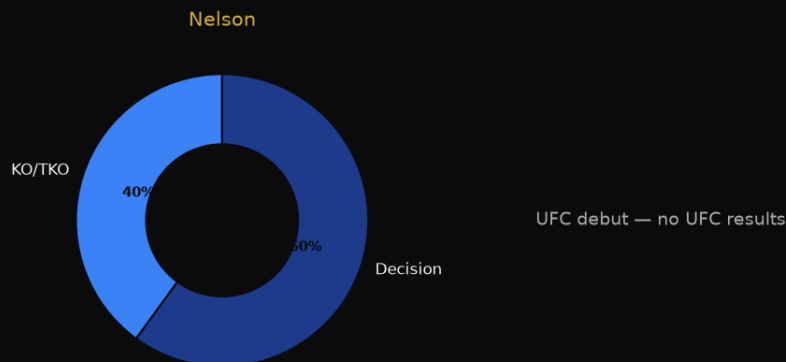


Career Striking Breakdown

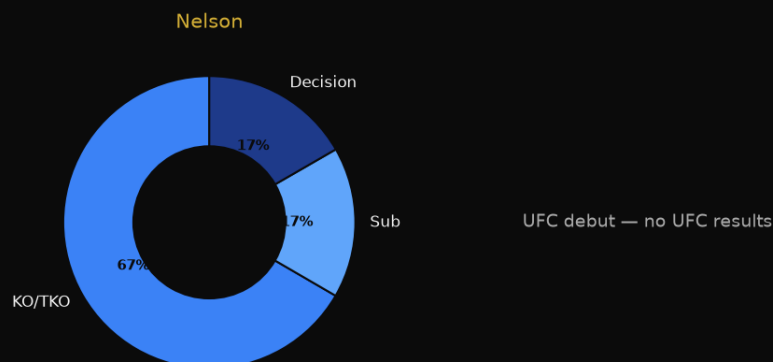
Layout: Blue (Kyle Nelson) | metric | Red (Cristian Perez Gonzalez). Dashboard stats updated: 2026-10-11.

Blue	Metric	Red
413/902	Sig landed / thrown	DEBUT
45.8%	SS Acc	—
55.9% / 34.6%	Head share / Acc	—
26.2% / 72.0%	Body share / Acc	—
17.9% / 87.1%	Leg share / Acc	—
83.8% / 13.1% / 3.1%	Distance / Clinch / Ground share	—
1	KD scored (offense)	—
1	KD absorbed (defense)	—
0.13	KD rate (scored / 15)	—
0.13	KD absorbed rate (/15)	—
1 per 525 sig abs	Knockdown rate (1 KD per N sig absorbed)	—
525/1137	Sig absorbed (landed on)	—
53.8%	Str Def	—

Win Method Mix (UFC)



Loss Method Mix (UFC)



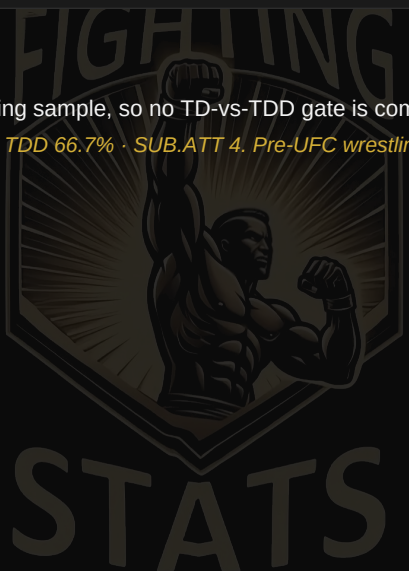
Career Grappling Breakdown

Blue (Kyle Nelson) | metric | Red (Cristian Perez Gonzalez) — same titles side-by-side.

Blue	Metric	Red
9 of 39 (23.1%)	TD landed / attempted (Acc)	DEBUT
6 of 18 (66.7%)	TD against (TDD %)	—
4	Submission attempts	—
0	Reversals	—
184.4s (20.5%)	Control expected / 15	—
23:31	Career CTRL	—
206.1s (22.9%)	Control allowed / 15	—
26:17	Career CTRL against	—

Matchup implications

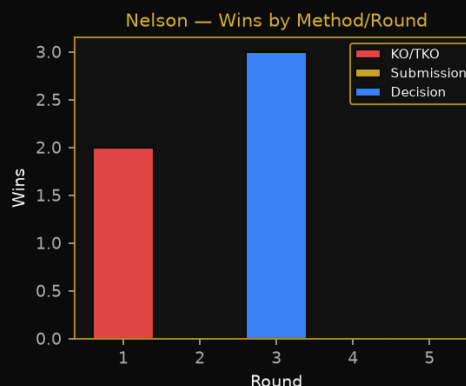
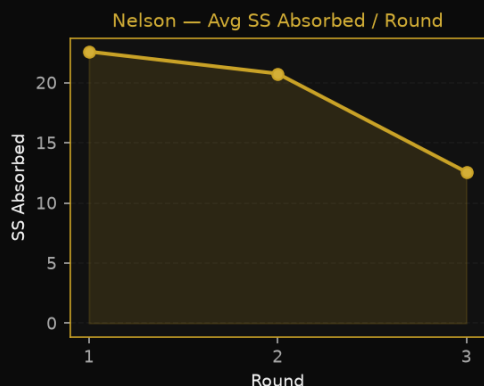
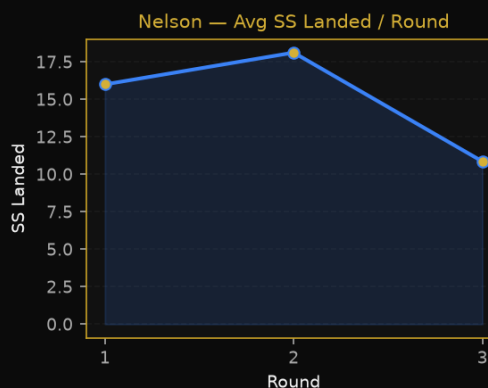
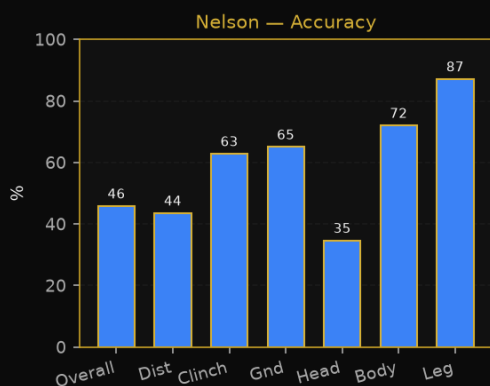
- Cristian Perez Gonzalez has no UFC grappling sample, so no TD-vs-TDD gate is computed.
→ Nelson UFC grappling: TD 9 of 39 (23.1%) · TDD 66.7% · SUB.ATT 4. Pre-UFC wrestling/grappling: see the Scouting Reports and Matchup Brief.



Striking Infographics

Side-by-side gauges / range / target comparisons omitted: Cristian Perez Gonzalez is making a UFC debut (no UFC striking sample). Charts below cover the side with UFC data only.

STRIKING — Kyle Nelson (Blue)



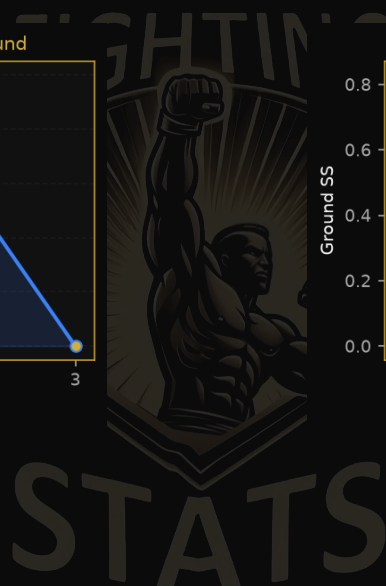
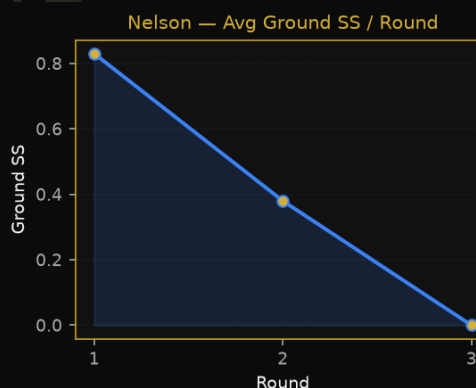
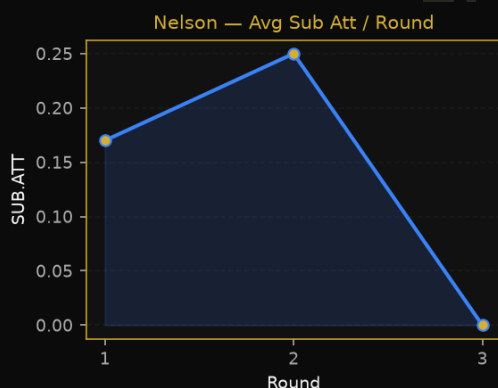
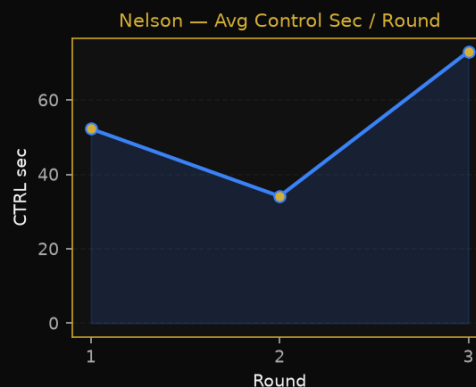
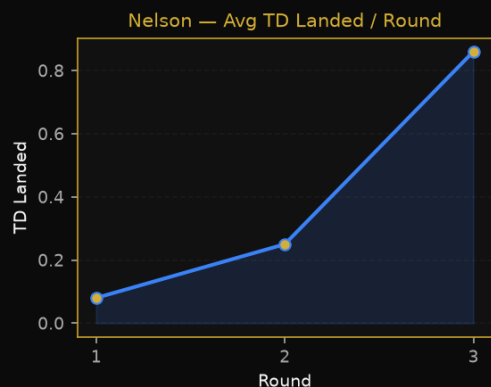
Nelson striking snapshot

Career SS Acc **45.8%** · Def **53.8%** · Distance share **83.8%** · KD rate **0.13/15** · Absorbed KD rate **0.13/15**.

Grappling Infographics & Matchup Insights

Comparison gauges, expectation-break insights and paired by-round charts are omitted: Cristian Perez Gonzalez has no UFC sample. By-round grappling below is Nelson's UFC data only.

By-round grappling — Nelson



Leg Strikes — Offense vs Defense

UFCStats **LEG** column = significant strikes to the legs (**leg sig strikes / low-kick proxy**). Parsed as “a of b” from UFC fight stats. No limp/establishment narrative — volume, accuracy, share, and vs-average only. Tables sorted **most recent** → **oldest**. As of 2026-10-11.

Perez Leg Output vs Nelson Leg Absorption

Side-by-side career board so FightingStats can compare **Perez low-kick/leg output** vs **Nelson’s leg absorption pattern**.

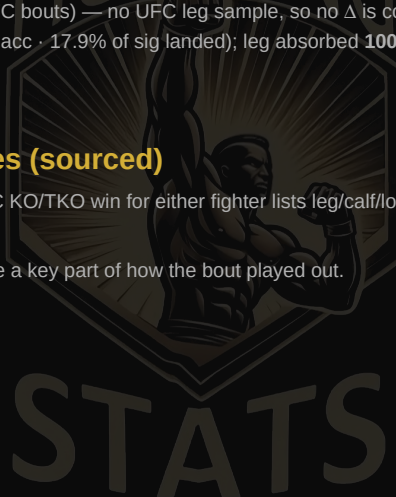
Metric	Perez OFFENSE (leg)	Nelson DEFENSE (leg abs)	Nelson OFFENSE (leg)	Perez DEFENSE (leg abs)
Leg sig landed	—	100	74	—
Leg sig attempted	—	118	85	—
Leg accuracy %	—	84.7%	87.1%	—
Leg share % of sig landed	—	19.0%	17.9%	—
Avg leg landed / round	—	3.70	2.74	—
Avg leg landed / fight	—	8.33	6.17	—
Sample rounds / fights	DEBUT	27/12	27/12	DEBUT

Cristian Perez Gonzalez is making a UFC debut (0 UFC bouts) — no UFC leg sample, so no Δ is computed and the debut columns show — rather than zeros. Kyle Nelson career leg volume: **74 of 85** (87.1% acc · 17.9% of sig landed); leg absorbed **100 of 118**. Lightweight division avg leg L/rnd $\approx$ **2.48**. Pre-UFC leg-kick usage: see the Scouting Report.

Leg-Kick Finishes & Fight Narratives (sourced)

Wins by leg kicks (UFC METHOD/DETAILS): No UFC KO/TKO win for either fighter lists leg/calf/low kick in UFC Stats METHOD/DETAILS for this package (check DETAILS per bout).

No sourced fight summaries found where leg kicks were a key part of how the bout played out.



Nelson Leg Defense — Absorbed (Round × Opponent)

Kyle Nelson — **defensive** leg sig absorbed (opponent LEG in that EVENT+BOUT+ROUND). Columns: Date · Opponent · Round · Sig abs · Leg Abs L/T · Opp Acc% · Share% · vs Own Avg Abs.

Baseline: round Leg Abs vs this fighter's own career avg leg sig absorbed/rnd (Above/Below/=Avg; Δ in parentheses). Lightweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ 2.48.

Career absorbed: 100 of 118 (84.7% opponent leg acc · 19.0% of sig absorbed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Abs	Leg Abs	Leg Att	Opp Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Own Avg Abs
2026-03-28	Terrance McKinney	1	13	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.70) vs 3.70
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	1	15	4	7	57.1%	26.7%	Above (+0.30) vs 3.70
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	2	21	5	5	100.0%	23.8%	Above (+1.30) vs 3.70
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	3	7	1	1	100.0%	14.3%	Below (-2.70) vs 3.70
2024-09-07	Steve Garcia	1	22	1	1	100.0%	4.5%	Below (-2.70) vs 3.70
2024-03-30	Bill Algeo	1	30	8	13	61.5%	26.7%	Above (+4.30) vs 3.70
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	1	26	4	6	66.7%	15.4%	Above (+0.30) vs 3.70
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	2	22	5	7	71.4%	22.7%	Above (+1.30) vs 3.70
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	3	24	4	5	80.0%	16.7%	Above (+0.30) vs 3.70
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	1	22	7	7	100.0%	31.8%	Above (+3.30) vs 3.70
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	2	12	7	8	87.5%	58.3%	Above (+3.30) vs 3.70
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	3	11	3	5	60.0%	27.3%	Below (-0.70) vs 3.70
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	1	3	3	3	100.0%	100.0%	Below (-0.70) vs 3.70
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	2	24	12	13	92.3%	50.0%	Above (+8.30) vs 3.70
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	3	23	1	1	100.0%	4.3%	Below (-2.70) vs 3.70
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	1	7	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.70) vs 3.70
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	2	24	2	2	100.0%	8.3%	Below (-1.70) vs 3.70
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	3	5	1	1	100.0%	20.0%	Below (-2.70) vs 3.70
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	1	33	8	8	100.0%	24.2%	Above (+4.30) vs 3.70
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	2	43	4	4	100.0%	9.3%	Above (+0.30) vs 3.70
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	3	3	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.70) vs 3.70
2019-09-21	Marco Polo Reyes	1	6	1	1	100.0%	16.7%	Below (-2.70) vs 3.70
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	1	54	10	10	100.0%	18.5%	Above (+6.30) vs 3.70
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	2	6	3	3	100.0%	50.0%	Below (-0.70) vs 3.70
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	3	15	2	3	66.7%	13.3%	Below (-1.70) vs 3.70
2018-12-08	Diego Ferreira	1	40	4	4	100.0%	10.0%	Above (+0.30) vs 3.70
2018-12-08	Diego Ferreira	2	14	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.70) vs 3.70

Nelson Leg Offense — Round × Opponent

Kyle Nelson — **offensive** leg sig / low-kick proxy. Same columns as Perez offense (Date · ... · vs Opp Avg Abs).

Baseline: round Leg Lnd vs that opponent's career avg leg sig absorbed/rnd (Above/Below=Avg; Δ in parentheses). Lightweight division avg leg L/rnd = 2.48.

Career: 74 of 85 leg sig (87.1% · 17.9% of 413 sig landed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Lnd	Leg Lnd	Leg Att	Leg Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Opp Avg Abs
2026-03-28	Terrance McKinney	1	1	1	1	100.0%	100.0%	=Avg (-0.12) vs 1.12
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	1	23	2	2	100.0%	8.7%	Above (+0.58) vs 1.42
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	2	29	5	6	83.3%	17.2%	Above (+3.58) vs 1.42
2025-10-18	Matt Frevola	3	11	1	1	100.0%	9.1%	Below (-0.42) vs 1.42
2024-09-07	Steve Garcia	1	1	1	1	100.0%	100.0%	Above (+0.32) vs 0.68
2024-03-30	Bill Algeo	1	32	6	6	100.0%	18.8%	Above (+3.32) vs 2.68
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	1	25	8	9	88.9%	32.0%	Above (+2.44) vs 5.56
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	2	30	6	6	100.0%	20.0%	Above (+0.44) vs 5.56
2023-09-16	Fernando Padilla	3	27	6	6	100.0%	22.2%	Above (+0.44) vs 5.56
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	1	19	3	3	100.0%	15.8%	Below (-0.78) vs 3.78
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	2	19	6	7	85.7%	31.6%	Above (+2.22) vs 3.78
2023-06-10	Blake Bilder	3	21	6	9	66.7%	28.6%	Above (+2.22) vs 3.78
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	1	1	0	1	0.0%	0.0%	Below (-1.71) vs 1.71
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	2	16	3	6	50.0%	18.8%	Above (+1.29) vs 1.71
2023-02-04	Doocho Choi	3	3	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-1.71) vs 1.71
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	1	19	7	7	100.0%	36.8%	Above (+3.21) vs 3.79
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	2	17	6	6	100.0%	35.3%	Above (+2.21) vs 3.79
2022-07-23	Jai Herbert	3	5	2	2	100.0%	40.0%	Below (-1.79) vs 3.79
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	1	25	1	1	100.0%	4.0%	Below (-1.74) vs 2.74
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	2	29	1	1	100.0%	3.4%	Below (-1.74) vs 2.74
2020-09-12	Billy Quarantillo	3	2	1	1	100.0%	50.0%	Below (-1.74) vs 2.74
2019-09-21	Marco Polo Reyes	1	12	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-1.62) vs 1.62
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	1	14	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-0.67) vs 0.67
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	2	5	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-0.67) vs 0.67
2019-05-04	Matt Sayles	3	7	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-0.67) vs 0.67
2018-12-08	Diego Ferreira	1	20	2	3	66.7%	10.0%	Above (+0.53) vs 1.47
2018-12-08	Diego Ferreira	2	0	0	0	—	—	Below (-1.47) vs 1.47

Opponent Career Historical Avg — Leg Sig Absorbed

For each UFC opponent faced: career historical average leg sig strikes **absorbed** (what opponents land on them across their UFC career). This is the offense-row baseline for the Above/Below column. Opponents ordered by most recent appearance.

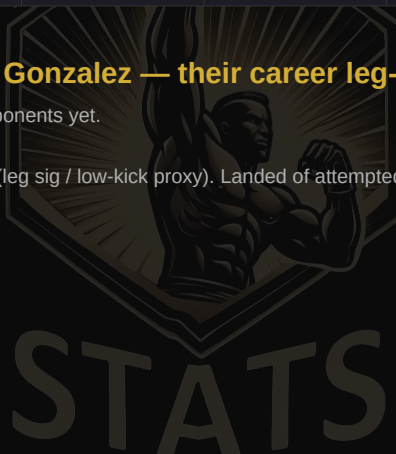
Opponents faced by Kyle Nelson — their career leg-absorbed averages

Opponent	Fights	Rnds	Leg Abs L/T	Avg Leg Abs /Fight	Avg /Rnd	Leg Acc% on them	Leg Share% of SS Abs
Terrance McKinney	14	16	18 of 22	1.29	1.12	81.8%	11.0%
Matt Frevola	12	24	34 of 39	2.83	1.42	87.2%	8.7%
Steve Garcia	11	19	13 of 13	1.18	0.68	100.0%	9.5%
Bill Algeo	10	25	67 of 86	6.70	2.68	77.9%	14.5%
Fernando Padilla	5	9	50 of 53	10.00	5.56	94.3%	22.5%
Blake Bilder	3	9	34 of 38	11.33	3.78	89.5%	18.1%
Doocho Choi	11	21	36 of 68	3.27	1.71	52.9%	8.9%
Jai Herbert	10	24	91 of 128	9.10	3.79	71.1%	25.4%
Billy Quarantillo	12	31	85 of 96	7.08	2.74	88.5%	10.2%
Marco Polo Reyes	8	13	21 of 23	2.62	1.62	91.3%	8.6%
Matt Sayles	4	9	6 of 8	1.50	0.67	75.0%	5.3%
Diego Ferreira	19	43	63 of 78	3.32	1.47	80.8%	9.3%

Opponents faced by Cristian Perez Gonzalez — their career leg-absorbed averages

Cristian Perez Gonzalez is a UFC debut — no UFC opponents yet.

Source: UFCStats **LEG** = significant strikes to the legs (leg sig / low-kick proxy). Landed of attempted parsed from fight-stats CSV. Sort: most recent → oldest.



Lightweight Division Context

Upcoming bout is billed **Lightweight**. Division pool (n=455): Fighters whose majority of UFC bouts are in billed class 'Lightweight', OR whose most recent UFC bout is in that family. **Last Greco weight class**: Nelson = **Lightweight Bout**; Perez = — (**debut**). Values: fighter · division average · delta · standing in division. Control rows show seconds and % of a 15-min fight.

Sample-size note

Cristian Perez Gonzalez is a UFC debut (0 Greco bouts) — no division percentiles invented.

Metric	Div Avg	Nelson	Δ vs avg	Nelson standing	Perez	Δ vs avg	Perez standing
SS Acc %	42.2%	45.6%	+3.4 pp	top 38%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
SS Def %	54.4%	55.6%	+1.2 pp	top 46%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
TD Acc %	36.0%	21.4%	-14.6 pp	top 76%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
TDD %	56.3%	68.4%	+12.1 pp	top 36%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
Control expected / 15 min	170.9s (19.0%)	163.1s (18.1%)	-7.8s	top 46%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
Control allowed / 15 min	221.3s (24.6%)	183.1s (20.3%)	-38.2s	top 47%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
KD rate / 15	0.28	0.12	-0.16	top 48%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
KD Abs rate / 15	0.54	0.12	-0.42	top 40%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
SLpM	3.10	3.82	+0.72	top 29%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT
SAPM	3.65	4.60	+0.95	top 79%	DEBUT	—	DEBUT

Control expected / allowed per 15 min = total CTRL (or CTRL against) seconds ÷ fight seconds × 900. Shown as seconds and % of a 15-minute (900s) fight (e.g. 290.4s ≈ 32.3%).

Nelson vs division field

SS Acc **45.6%** (div avg 42.2%, top 38%) · SS Def **55.6%** (top 46%) · TDD **68.4%** (top 36%). Last Greco class: Lightweight Bout.

UFC debut — Cristian Perez Gonzalez

Cristian Perez Gonzalez has **0 recorded UFC bouts** in Greco — no division percentiles or career rates.

Standing = share of the Lightweight pool at or better on that metric ("top X%"). For Control allowed / 15, KD Abs rate, and SAPM, lower is better.

Kyle Nelson — A/B/C/D Fight Tables

Locked next-build tables. **A/B** = every UFC round × opponent (most recent first); sig by **distance / clinch / ground only** (no head/body/leg). Striking time = mm:ss [% of round clock] (clock – CTRL). Stand/15* = projected sig pace if stand-up lasted a full 15 min on striking-time basis. **C/D** = fight-level grappling. C/D styles: **bold gold wash** = ≥1 TD attempt; muted = 0 attempts; **teal wash** = landed ≥1 TD vs historically strong career TDD (≥70%). Diff = subject sig landed – absorbed.

A — Offensive Significant Strikes — Kyle Nelson

SS T/L = thrown/landed. Dist/Clin/Gnd = sig landed/thrown by position. Tot D/C/G uses UFCStats position splits (all distance strikes are significant).

Date	Opponent	R	WC	SS T/L	Diff	KD	Dist	Clin	Gnd	Tot T/L	Tot D/C/G	StrTime [%clk]	Stand/15 *
Mar 28, 2026	Terrance McKinney	1	Lightweight Bout	3/1	-12	0	1/3	0/0	0/0	3/1	1/0/0	0:24 [100%]	37.5
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	1	Lightweight Bout	55/23	8	1	12/37	1/3	10/15	64/30	12/1/10	4:32 [91%]	39.7
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	2	Lightweight Bout	57/29	8	0	27/51	2/6	0/0	60/32	27/2/0	5:00 [100%]	81.0
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	3	Lightweight Bout	23/11	4	0	7/18	4/5	0/0	46/30	7/4/0	2:17 [46%]	46.0
Sep 07, 2024	Steve Garcia	1	Featherweight Bout	2/1	-21	0	1/2	0/0	0/0	36/31	1/0/0	1:46 [44%]	8.5
Mar 30, 2024	Bill Algeo	1	Featherweight Bout	59/32	2	0	28/52	4/6	0/1	68/40	28/4/0	3:12 [80%]	131.2
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	1	Featherweight Bout	50/25	-1	0	25/48	0/2	0/0	50/25	25/0/0	5:00 [100%]	75.0
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	2	Featherweight Bout	58/30	8	0	29/57	1/1	0/0	59/31	29/1/0	5:00 [100%]	87.0
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	3	Featherweight Bout	76/27	3	0	26/71	1/5	0/0	76/27	26/1/0	5:00 [100%]	78.0
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	1	Featherweight Bout	47/19	-3	0	17/45	2/2	0/0	56/28	17/2/0	3:42 [74%]	68.9
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	2	Featherweight Bout	39/19	7	0	19/39	0/0	0/0	43/23	19/0/0	5:00 [100%]	57.0
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	3	Featherweight Bout	40/21	10	0	21/40	0/0	0/0	51/32	21/0/0	3:57 [79%]	79.8
Feb 04, 2023	Doocho Choi	1	Featherweight Bout	4/1	-2	0	1/4	0/0	0/0	16/11	1/0/0	3:04 [61%]	4.9
Feb 04, 2023	Doocho Choi	2	Featherweight Bout	49/16	-8	0	14/46	2/3	0/0	49/16	14/2/0	4:57 [99%]	42.4
Feb 04, 2023	Doocho Choi	3	Featherweight Bout	5/3	-20	0	2/4	1/1	0/0	15/12	2/1/0	1:25 [28%]	21.2
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	1	Lightweight Bout	27/19	12	0	12/20	7/7	0/0	30/21	12/7/0	3:42 [74%]	48.6
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	2	Lightweight Bout	29/17	-7	0	11/21	6/8	0/0	33/21	11/6/0	4:01 [80%]	41.1
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	3	Lightweight Bout	6/5	0	0	5/6	0/0	0/0	14/13	5/0/0	4:11 [84%]	17.9
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	1	Featherweight Bout	59/25	-8	0	22/52	3/7	0/0	62/28	22/3/0	3:38 [73%]	90.8
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	2	Featherweight Bout	53/29	-14	0	19/41	7/9	3/3	56/32	19/7/3	4:55 [98%]	58.0
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	3	Featherweight Bout	2/2	-1	0	2/2	0/0	0/0	2/2	2/0/0	0:07 [100%]	257.1

Date	Opponent	R	WC	SS T/L	Diff	KD	Dist	Clin	Gnd	Tot T/L	Tot D/C/G	StrTime [%clk]	Stand/15 *
Sep 21, 2019	Marco Polo Reyes	1	Featherweight Bout	16/12	6	0	2/3	10/13	0/0	16/12	2/10/0	0:46 [48%]	39.1
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	1	Featherweight Bout	48/14	-40	0	13/46	1/2	0/0	48/14	13/1/0	5:00 [100%]	39.0
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	2	Featherweight Bout	17/5	-1	0	4/15	1/2	0/0	27/11	4/1/0	1:34 [31%]	38.3
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	3	Featherweight Bout	28/7	-8	0	7/25	0/3	0/0	28/7	7/0/0	2:55 [89%]	36.0
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	1	Lightweight Bout	49/20	-20	0	19/47	1/1	0/1	49/20	19/1/0	4:46 [95%]	59.8
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	2	Lightweight Bout	1/0	-14	0	0/1	0/0	0/0	1/0	0/0/0	1:23 [100%]	0.0

B — Defensive Significant Strikes — Kyle Nelson

Absorbed mirror. Abs T/L = opponent thrown/landed on subject. KD↓ = knockdowns absorbed. Abs/15 = distance sig absorbed per 15 min of striking time.

Date	Opponent	R	WC	Abs T/L	Diff	KD↓	Dist	Clin	Gnd	Tot Abs	Tot D/C/G	StrTime [%clk]	Abs/15*
Mar 28, 2026	Terrance McKinney	1	Lightweight Bout	27/13	-12	0	5/5	0/0	8/22	29/15	5/0/8	0:24 [100%]	187.5
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	1	Lightweight Bout	54/15	8	0	13/51	2/3	0/0	60/19	13/2/0	4:32 [91%]	43.0
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	2	Lightweight Bout	69/21	8	0	20/66	1/3	0/0	70/22	20/1/0	5:00 [100%]	60.0
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	3	Lightweight Bout	13/7	4	0	6/12	1/1	0/0	25/19	6/1/0	2:17 [46%]	39.4
Sep 07, 2024	Steve Garcia	1	Featherweight Bout	37/22	-21	0	2/3	0/0	20/34	62/39	2/0/20	1:46 [44%]	17.0
Mar 30, 2024	Bill Algeo	1	Featherweight Bout	58/30	2	0	30/55	0/3	0/0	73/44	30/0/0	3:12 [80%]	140.6
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	1	Featherweight Bout	82/26	-1	0	24/77	2/5	0/0	82/26	24/2/0	5:00 [100%]	72.0
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	2	Featherweight Bout	59/22	8	0	19/56	3/3	0/0	60/23	19/3/0	5:00 [100%]	57.0
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	3	Featherweight Bout	67/24	3	0	22/65	2/2	0/0	67/24	22/2/0	5:00 [100%]	66.0
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	1	Featherweight Bout	51/22	-3	0	22/50	0/1	0/0	71/42	22/0/0	3:42 [74%]	89.2
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	2	Featherweight Bout	30/12	7	0	12/30	0/0	0/0	30/12	12/0/0	5:00 [100%]	36.0
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	3	Featherweight Bout	39/11	10	0	11/39	0/0	0/0	58/30	11/0/0	3:57 [79%]	41.8
Feb 04, 2023	Dooho Choi	1	Featherweight Bout	7/3	-2	0	3/6	0/0	0/1	19/15	3/0/0	3:04 [61%]	14.7
Feb 04, 2023	Dooho Choi	2	Featherweight Bout	46/24	-8	0	23/45	1/1	0/0	54/30	23/1/0	4:57 [99%]	69.7
Feb 04, 2023	Dooho Choi	3	Featherweight Bout	25/23	-20	0	1/3	1/1	21/21	41/34	1/1/21	1:25 [28%]	10.6
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	1	Lightweight Bout	19/7	12	0	3/15	4/4	0/0	29/17	3/4/0	3:42 [74%]	12.2
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	2	Lightweight Bout	36/24	-7	0	15/27	9/9	0/0	47/35	15/9/0	4:01 [80%]	56.0

Date	Opponent	R	WC	Abs T/L	Diff	KD↓	Dist	Clin	Gnd	Tot Abs	Tot D/C/G	StrTime [%clk]	Abs/15*
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	3	Lightweight Bout	9/5	0	0	4/8	0/0	1/1	40/32	4/0/1	4:11 [84%]	14.3
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	1	Featherweight Bout	60/33	-8	0	31/58	2/2	0/0	87/58	31/2/0	3:38 [73%]	128.0
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	2	Featherweight Bout	85/43	-14	0	35/74	8/11	0/0	93/51	35/8/0	4:55 [98%]	106.8
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	3	Featherweight Bout	5/3	-1	1	3/4	0/0	0/1	5/3	3/0/0	0:07 [100%]	385.7
Sep 21, 2019	Marco Polo Reyes	1	Featherweight Bout	10/6	6	0	3/7	3/3	0/0	11/7	3/3/0	0:46 [48%]	58.7
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	1	Featherweight Bout	99/54	-40	0	30/61	0/1	24/37	127/79	30/0/24	5:00 [100%]	90.0
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	2	Featherweight Bout	14/6	-1	0	6/14	0/0	0/0	15/7	6/0/0	1:34 [31%]	57.5
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	3	Featherweight Bout	34/15	-8	0	12/30	3/4	0/0	39/20	12/3/0	2:55 [89%]	61.7
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	1	Lightweight Bout	75/40	-20	0	25/50	1/1	14/24	81/46	25/1/14	4:46 [95%]	78.7
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	2	Lightweight Bout	27/14	-14	0	2/5	0/0	12/22	31/17	2/0/12	1:23 [100%]	21.7

C — Offensive Takedowns — Kyle Nelson

Opp TD allwd/f = opponent career takedowns absorbed ÷ UFC fights. Opp Career TDD% = 1 – (TD landed on them / TD attempted on them).

Date	Opponent	R	Res	TD A/L	Opp TD allwd/f	CTRL	Sub	Rev	Opp Career TDD%
Mar 28, 2026	Terrance McKinney	—	L	0/0	0.21	0:00	0	0	72.7%
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	—	W	5/2	1.50	3:11	0	0	37.9%
Sep 07, 2024	Steve Garcia	—	L	0/0	0.27	2:13	0	0	80.0%
Mar 30, 2024	Bill Algeo	—	W	0/0	2.40	0:48	0	0	53.8%
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	—	W	3/0	0.00	0:00	0	0	100.0%
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	—	W	1/0	0.67	2:21	0	0	71.4%
Feb 04, 2023	Doocho Choi	—	D	10/5	1.00	5:34	0	0	59.3%
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	—	L	4/0	1.10	3:06	0	0	66.7%
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	—	L	4/0	1.75	1:27	0	0	60.4%
Sep 21, 2019	Marco Polo Reyes	—	W	2/0	1.00	0:50	0	0	46.7%
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	—	L	10/2	1.00	3:47	4	0	81.0%
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	—	L	0/0	1.83	0:14	0	0	58.2%

Above-expected TD (C) — Kyle Nelson

Landed ≥1 TD vs historically strong career TDD (≥70%): Matt Sayles (May 04, 2019) TD 2/10 vs career TDD 81.0%.

D — Defensive Grappling — Kyle Nelson

TD ag = takedown attempts/landed against subject. CTRL ag = opponent control. Fight TDD% = stuff rate in that fight; Opp TD Acc = opponent career offensive TD accuracy. Teal wash = opponent landed ≥1 TD despite subject's strong career TDD.

Date	Opponent	R	Res	TD ag A/L	CTRL ag	Sub ag	Rev ag	Fight TDD%	Opp TD Acc	Opp TD/f
Mar 28, 2026	Terrance McKinney	—	L	0/0	0:13	0	0	—	—	0.50
Oct 18, 2025	Matt Frevola	—	W	3/2	1:58	0	1	33.3%	—	1.25
Sep 07, 2024	Steve Garcia	—	L	0/0	1:36	0	1	—	—	0.36

Date	Opponent	R	Res	TD ag A/L	CTRL ag	Sub ag	Rev ag	Fight TDD%	Opp TD Acc	Opp TD/f
Mar 30, 2024	Bill Algeo	—	W	0/0	0:00	0	0	—	—	0.90
Sep 16, 2023	Fernando Padilla	—	W	1/0	0:07	0	0	100.0%	—	0.00
Jun 10, 2023	Blake Bilder	—	W	3/0	2:45	0	0	100.0%	—	0.33
Feb 04, 2023	Doocho Choi	—	D	0/0	3:58	0	1	—	—	0.64
Jul 23, 2022	Jai Herbert	—	L	1/0	5:57	0	0	100.0%	—	0.30
Sep 12, 2020	Billy Quarantillo	—	L	6/2	3:28	0	0	66.7%	—	1.17
Sep 21, 2019	Marco Polo Reyes	—	W	0/0	0:00	0	0	—	—	0.00
May 04, 2019	Matt Sayles	—	L	0/0	2:47	1	1	—	—	0.25
Dec 08, 2018	Diego Ferreira	—	L	4/2	3:28	1	0	50.0%	—	0.72



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Period	W-L	Profit	Units	ROI
2024	386-648	\$61,106	+122.2u	14.7%
2025	716-989	\$183,271	+366.5u	25.6%
2026 YTD	696-757	\$36,879	+108.4u	6.7%
All-time since 2024	1798-2394	\$281,256	+597.2u	16.7%
2026 Live Betting	257-193	\$24,519	+58.5u	11.7%

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