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Billy Elekana vs **Lucas Fernando**

UFC Vegas 124 — Light Heavyweight

UFC Fight Night: Bonfim vs Brady · Nov 7, 2026 · Meta APEX, Las Vegas

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MATCHUP BRIEF — Elekana vs Fernando

Matchup Brief — Billy Elekana vs Lucas Fernando

Fighting Stats Research as-of: 2026-10-25 **Bout:** Light Heavyweight — **Billy Elekana (Blue)** vs **Lucas Fernando (Red)** — UFC Fight Night: Bonfim vs. Brady (3 × 5; UFC.com lists it on the main card, Tapology on the prelims), Sat Nov 7, 2026, Meta APEX, Las Vegas. The pairing is unchanged since MMA Fighting reported the booking on Sep 11, 2026.

1. Quick Tape

Billy Elekana (Blue)		Lucas Fernando (Red)
10-2-0 (UFC **3-1**)	**Record**	**14-3-0** (UFC **1-0**)
31 (DOB May 28, 1995)	**Age**	**29** (DOB Jan 10, 1997)
6'3" / 77" (UFC Stats; Sherdog 6'2")	**Height / Reach**	**6'3" / 80"** (UFC Stats)
Southpaw	**Stance**	Orthodox (UFCalendar; not listed on UFC Stats)
Uprising MMA / Porrada Training Center (Las Vegas)	**Gym**	Rizzo RVT (Rio de Janeiro), under Pedro Rizzo; Tapology: Refit Pro Fighters
MMA; BJJ purple belt; three pro RNC wins	**Base**	Kickboxing (Brazilian national team; Brazilian, Pan American and South American champion); BJJ black belt
Middleweight regionally (2021–2022); light heavyweight since 2023	**Weight history**	Welterweight (2017–2020), middleweight (2021–2024), light heavyweight since 2025
W3 (Aslan, Christian, Tafa)	**Streak**	W5 (JP Silva, Oliveira, Latu, Soares, Tobias)
Tafa — SUB W (RNC) R2 3:18 (Jan 31, 2026)	**Last fight**	Tobias — TKO W R3 1:10 (Aug 15, 2026)
Pro: 3 KO / 3 SUB / **4 DEC**	**Win methods**	Pro: **8 KO** / 2 SUB / 4 DEC
No — one submission loss (Guskov, guillotine R2)	**Never finished?**	Yes — all three losses by decision
~**9.2 months** (280 days)	**Layoff into this bout**	~**2.8 months** (84 days)

Neither fighter is ranked by UFC.com. Tapology's algorithmic rankings place Elekana #30 and Fernando #42 of 49 UFC light heavyweights. Elekana's last scheduled bout, against Iwo Baraniewski on Jun 6, 2026, fell through when he withdrew (Tapology). Fernando is fighting for the third time in 2026.

Elekana has four UFC bouts (35.4 minutes). Fernando has one (11.2 minutes), so his rates describe the Tobias fight only.

Both fighters vs the men's Light Heavyweight division baseline (Greco, n=239):

Metric	Elekana (4, 35.4 min)	Fernando (1, 11.2 min)	Div avg	Read
SLpM / SApM	2.71 / 3.59	**6.18** / **1.16**	3.26 / 3.65	Fernando's figures come from one fight; Elekana is below average on output (pctl 38)
SS Acc / SS Def	56.5% / 46.2%	**60.0%** / **76.8%**	46.8% / 51.3%	Elekana's accuracy is strong (pctl 84) but his defence is below average (pctl 27)
TD Acc / TD Avg /15	22.2% (2/9) / 0.85	— (0 attempts) / 0.00	34.2% / —	Elekana's takedowns are rare and low-percentage (pctl 28)
TDD	— (0 attempts against)	0% (Tobias 1/1)	59.6%	No UFC opponent has shot on Elekana
CTRL /15	**2:24**	0:12	2:52	Elekana is near average (pctl 49); 3:40 came against Guskov in R1

Metric	Elekana (4, 35.4 min)	Fernando (1, 11.2 min)	Div avg	Read
CTRL against /15	**0:39**	1:14	3:32	Elekana is rarely held down (pctl 89)
Sub Avg /15	**0.85** (2 attempts)	0.00	—	Both of Elekana's attempts finished the fight
KD scored / absorbed	1 / 1	**2** / 0	0.49 / 0.67 per 15	Tafa dropped Elekana in R1; Fernando dropped Tobias twice

Regional comparison (Sherdog/Tapology):

Elekana	Metric	Fernando
12 (4 UFC; PFL and LFA)	**Pro fights**	17 (1 UFC; DWCS loss; LFA headliner)
4	**R1 finishes**	8
5 (4 W, 1 L)	**Fights to the final bell**	7 (4 W, 3 L)
3 (two head-kick TKOs)	**KO/TKO wins**	8 (incl. flying knee, body punch, knee to the body)
1 (guillotine)	**Stoppage losses**	0
Two amateur titles (UFC.com); Tuff-N-Uff amateur title-bout wins (Tapology)	**Titles**	LFA middleweight champion; LFA light heavyweight champion (UFC.com: two-time); Brazilian, Pan American and South American kickboxing champion

Material Greco vs published ufcstats note: For Elekana, UFC.com prints "1 of 9" takedowns while listing a 0.85 per-15 average, which implies 2, matching Greco. For Fernando, UFC.com's career panel appears to include his DWCS loss (97/169 significant strikes; 3.21 SApM), and its takedown figures do not reconcile. Package math uses Greco (UFC bouts only; 2/9 for Elekana).

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

Elekana path (how he has been winning): Accurate southpaw striking and opportunistic back-takes. He lands **56.5%** of his significant strikes, out-pointed Aslan at distance with **17/21** body shots, and finished Christian and Tafa with rear-naked chokes. Against Tafa, one takedown led to mount and the back (MMA Junkie). His opponents have controlled him for only **0:39** per 15 minutes.

Fernando path (how he has been winning): Long-range kickboxing with knees and body shots. Eight of his ten stoppages came in R1. Against Tobias he landed **69/115**, went **11/12** to the body in R1 and **7/7** to the legs in R2, scored two knockdowns and finished with a knee to the body. Tobias landed **13** significant strikes in 11 minutes.

Central tension: Fernando's volume and accuracy at range meet Elekana's **46.2%** significant-strike defence. Elekana has been out-landed **127-96** in the UFC and was dropped by Tafa. Elekana's finishes come from grappling: two RNCs, plus **3:40** of control against Guskov in R1. But he lands only **2/9** takedowns. Fernando has not attempted a takedown in the UFC, and Tobias's only shot landed. Fernando has never been finished. Three of Elekana's four UFC fights ended in submissions: two wins and the Guskov loss.

Physicals: Both are 6'3". Fernando has a three-inch reach edge (**80"** vs **77"**) and is two years younger. Elekana is a southpaw; UFCalendar lists Fernando as orthodox.

Shared opponents: None.

Other links: Azamat Bekoev, who beat Fernando over five rounds at LFA 173 in Dec 2023, was Andre Petroski's Oct 31 opponent before withdrawing; that move put Petroski on this card. Both fighters have fought on LFA cards: Elekana went 2-1 there at middleweight in 2021–2022.

4. Optimal Matchup Path (keys — not picks)

For Elekana (Blue)

- Close distance against the longer man. Fernando landed **66** of his **69** significant strikes against Tobias at distance.
- Look for the takedown and the back. Tobias's one attempt landed. Elekana's two UFC takedowns produced 3:40 of control against Guskov and the finish against Tafa.
- Protect the body. Fernando went **11/12** to Tobias's body in R1 and has finished with a body punch and a knee to the body.
- Survive the first round. Fernando has eight R1 stoppages, and Elekana was dropped and out-landed 26-9 by Tafa in R1.

For Fernando (Red)

- Keep it at kicking range with the reach edge, and mix the body and legs, as against Tobias.
- Stop the takedown and stay off the back. Elekana's three pro submissions are all rear-naked chokes.
- Make Elekana defend. His **46.2%** defence ranks in the 27th percentile, and Guskov landed **35** significant strikes on him in R2.
- Pace past R1 if needed. He has won in R3 (Tobias) and R4 (Jansey Silva), and has gone five rounds.

Expectation-break watch: (1) Elekana's first takedown attempt. He is 2/9 in the UFC, and Tobias's only attempt on Fernando landed. (2) A Fernando knockdown in R1. Elekana was dropped by Tafa and came back to win. (3) Ring rust. Elekana has had 280 days off; Fernando is on his third fight of 2026. (4) The underdog. Elekana won as a +255 underdog against Aslan; Fernando lost as a –200 to –265 favourite on DWCS.

5. Last Five Fights (dates + time between)

Elekana — last 5

#	Date	Opponent	Result	Method	Time since prior
1	**Jan 31, 2026**	Junior Tafa (UFC 325)	W	SUB (RNC) R2 3:18	**91 days** after Christian
2	**Nov 1, 2025**	Kevin Christian (UFC Fight Night: Garcia vs. Onama)	W	SUB (RNC) R1 3:33	**98 days** after Aslan
3	**Jul 26, 2025**	Ibo Aslan (UFC Fight Night: Whittaker vs. De Ridder)	W	UD	**189 days** after Guskov
4	**Jan 18, 2025**	Bogdan Guskov (UFC 311)	L	SUB (guillotine) R2 3:33	**175 days** after Simmons
5	**Jul 27, 2024**	Jureall Simmons (LXF 18)	W	TKO (head kick and punches) R1 1:58	**358 days** after Campbell

Into UFC Fight Night: Bonfim vs. Brady (Nov 7, 2026): 280 days (~9.2 months) since Tafa.

Fernando — last 5

#	Date	Opponent	Result	Method	Time since prior
1	**Aug 15, 2026**	Rafael Tobias (UFC 330)	W	TKO (knee to the body and elbows) R3 1:10	**78 days** after Soares
2	**May 29, 2026**	Leon Soares (LFA 234)	W	TKO (leg kick and punches) R1 1:28	**287 days** after Latu
3	**Aug 15, 2025**	Phillip Latu (LFA 214)	W	TKO (punches) R1 1:03	**350 days** after Oliveira
4	**Aug 30, 2024**	Pedro Oliveira (LFA 191)	W	UD	**119 days** after JP Silva
5	**May 3, 2024**	João Paulo Silva Santos (LFA 183)	W	UD	**140 days** after Bekoev

Into UFC Fight Night: Bonfim vs. Brady (Nov 7, 2026): 84 days (~2.8 months) since Tobias.

6. Betting Snapshot

Disclaimer: Informational only. **Not betting advice.** As-of **2026-10-25**.

Elekana (Blue)	Metric	Fernando (Red)
Not yet posted	**Sportsbook line (BestFightOdds)**	Not yet posted
+215	**Prediction market (UFCalendar)**	–215
48%	**UFCalendar model (opinion)**	52%
≈ 17% (807 picks)	**Tapology community picks**	≈ 83%

Recent closing prices for context: Elekana was –270 against Tafa, –275 against Christian and a +255 underdog against Aslan (Tapology). Fernando was –290 against Tobias and –500 against Soares (Tapology).

7. Social Handles

Fighter	Instagram	X / TikTok	Notes
Billy Elekana	@officialelekana	—	Linked from UFC.com; UFC.com embedded his tribute post to his mother
Lucas Fernando	@lucasfernandomma	X: @fernandommakick	Both linked from UFC.com, along with facebook.com/Lucasfernandomma

No invented posts. No fight-week injury posts located for either fighter.

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8. Sources

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- BestFightOdds (both fighter pages); UFCalendar (model and prediction-market price)

Fighting Stats. Compact matchup package. As-of 2026-10-25.

SCOUTING REPORT — Billy Elekana (Blue)

Billy Elekana — Professional Scouting Report

Fighting Stats As-of: 2026-10-25 **Slug:** `billy-elekana`

Fighter Header / Tombstone

Field	Detail
Full Name	Billy Elekana. Tapology lists the given name Billy Joseph Elekana.
Nickname	“Son of Susie” (UFC.com; Tapology; UFC Stats)
Weight Class & Ranking	UFC Light Heavyweight — unranked (UFC.com). Tapology’s algorithmic ranking: #30 of 49 UFC light heavyweights.
Record	**10-2-0**; **UFC 3-1** (Sherdog; Tapology; UFC.com)
DOB / Age	May 28, 1995 (UFC Stats; Sherdog; Tapology) / **31** (as of 2026-10-25; **31** on fight night Nov 7, 2026)
Birthplace	United States (Tapology). Sherdog lists Apple Valley, California; UFC.com lists his hometown as Victorville.
Fights Out Of	Las Vegas, Nevada (Tapology)
Gym	**Uprising MMA** (Sherdog; Tapology). UFC.com: “Porrada Training Center/Uprising MMA.”
Height / Reach	**6'3"** / **77"** (UFC Stats TOTT; UFC.com; Tapology). Sherdog lists 6'2". UFC.com leg reach 43.5".
Stance	**Southpaw** (UFC Stats TOTT)
Sherdog	Sherdog
UFC	UFC
UFC Stats	UFC Stats
Tapology	Tapology

1. Early Life and Athletic Background

Elekana started training in 2017, after recovering from a stabbing. “I decided while in the hospital that I wanted to fight MMA and change my life around,” he told UFC.com. Before fighting he worked construction (UFC.com Q&A).

- **Family and nickname:** “Son of Susie” honours his late mother, who died of cancer. In UFC.com’s Jan 2026 feature he says, “All this fighting I do, that’s through my mom,” crediting her with getting him and his brothers into fighting. On the first anniversary of her passing, he promised in an Instagram post to “be the fighter you always knew I would be.” UFC.com placed the eighth anniversary of her death in late January 2026. MMA Junkie also calls it the eighth anniversary but gives the year of her death as 2016.
- **Heritage:** He represents his family “and where I come from (Samoa)” (UFC.com Q&A). UFC.com’s feature describes him as of Samoan heritage.
- **Grappling rank:** BJJ **purple belt** under Marcelo Nunes (UFC.com Q&A).
- **Amateur:** Sherdog and UFC.com list a **6-1-1** amateur record. He says he held two amateur titles (UFC.com). Tapology lists three Tuff-N-Uff light heavyweight title bouts: wins over Bryan Battle and Sullivan Cauley, and a loss to Koby Jeffers.
- **Personal:** With his wife for more than ten years; two sons and a daughter (UFC.com Q&A). His favourite fighters are Lyoto Machida and Jon Jones.

Sources: UFC.com athlete profile and Q&A; UFC.com feature “For Susie, Always” (E. Spencer Kyte, Jan 30, 2026); MMA Junkie (Nolan King, Jan 31, 2026); Sherdog; Tapology.

2. Training Gym, Coaches, and Training Partners

- **Primary: Uprising MMA** in Las Vegas (Sherdog; Tapology). UFC.com adds **Porrada Training Center**, and its Jan 2026 feature says he trains at both. In his Q&A he names "all my training partners at porrada training center" as his camp group.
- **Coaches:** No head coach is named on UFC.com, Sherdog or Tapology. His BJJ belt is under Marcelo Nunes.
- **Camp focus (UFC.com Q&A):** "I worked on a lot of movement and grappling this fight. Hit and move type of camp style."
- **Base:** UFC.com lists his style as "MMA." Three of his ten pro wins are rear-naked chokes, and three are KO/TKOs.

Sources: UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology.

2B. Social Media Deep Dive

Platform	Handle / URL	Status (as of 2026-10-25)
Instagram	@officialelekana	Linked from UFC.com; instagram.com/officialelekana
X (Twitter)	—	No verified account located
Facebook	—	No verified page located

Posts and appearances that matter (sourced, not invented captions):

- **Instagram (@officialelekana), one-year anniversary of his mother's death:** He promised to "be the fighter you always knew I would be and always give everything my all." UFC.com embedded the post in its Jan 30, 2026 feature.
- **UFC.com feature (Jan 30, 2026):** "Whoever they throw at me, I'm up for it. I would even maybe like to get some heavyweight fights." He also said, "I think I can do so much more — I can perform a lot better, be a lot more free and loose out there."
- **UFC 325 (Jan 31, 2026):** He fought on his mother's birthday, and the win came days after the anniversary of her death (UFC.com; MMA Junkie).

3. Injury History and Medical Information

Documented items:

- **No disclosed injuries.** No surgeries or injury reports appear on UFC.com, Sherdog or Tapology, or in the news coverage reviewed.
- **Withdrawals:** Tapology lists two bouts with the note "Elekana Withdrew," with no reason given. One was against Justin Sumter at CES 79 (Nov 2024). The other was against Iwo Baraniewski at a UFC Fight Night on Jun 6, 2026.
- **Other cancellations:** A Jan 2023 LFA 149 booking with Eric McConico was cancelled with no reason listed, and the Jun 2022 Triad Combat 2 event was cancelled (Tapology).
- **Durability:** Never stopped by strikes in 12 pro fights. Junior Tafa knocked him down in R1 at UFC 325 (Greco), and he came back to win in R2. His only stoppage loss is a guillotine (Guskov, R2 3:33).
- **Into Fernando (Nov 2026): 280 days** since the Tafa win (Jan 31, 2026). Active on UFC.com and booked.

Sources: UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology; Greco.

4. Professional Fight Promotions and Career Trajectory

Amateur (2017–2019): 6-1-1 (Sherdog). Fought mostly for Tuff-N-Uff and King of the Cage. Four wins by strikes, decisions over Bryan Battle (split) and Sullivan Cauley, a majority draw with Ty Gwerder, and a decision loss to Koby Jeffers at the 2019 Tuff-N-Uff World Amateur Championships.

Regional pro, middleweight (2021–2022): 4-1. Two Fierce FC wins: a rear-naked choke of Ravon Baxter and an injury stoppage of the unbeaten Starling Simmons. Then three LFA bouts: a decision over Jeff Nielsen, a head-kick TKO of Kohlman Scribner, and a split-decision loss to Daniel Compton at LFA 137.

PFL and regional pro, light heavyweight (2023–2024): 3-0. A decision over Tristan Overvig on the PFL Challenger Series and a split decision over Chuck Campbell at PFL 7 (2023 Playoffs card). Then a first-round head-kick TKO of the unbeaten Jureall Simmons at LXF 18.

UFC (2025–present): 3-1. He debuted on short notice at UFC 311 and was submitted by Bogdan Guskov (UFC.com feature). He has since won three straight: a decision over Ibo Aslan in Abu Dhabi, and rear-naked chokes of Kevin Christian and Junior Tafa. UFC.com notes he has won six of his last seven.

Sources: Sherdog; Tapology; UFC.com; MMA Fighting (Guilherme Cruz, Sep 11, 2026).

5. Professional Record and Method Breakdown

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

Wins (10): KO/TKO **3** (30%) · Submission **3** (30%) · Decision **4** (40%) **Losses (2):** Submission **1** (50%) · Decision **1** (50%)

UFC wins (3 — Greco): Submission **2** (67%) · Decision **1** (33%) **UFC losses (1 — Greco):** Submission **1** (100%)

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

UFC KO/TKO wins: none **UFC SUB wins:** Rear-naked choke **2** (Christian R1 3:33; Tafa R2 3:18) **UFC finishing losses:** Guillotine choke **1** (Guskov R2 3:33)

Pro finishes (Sherdog): KO/TKO **3** (head kick and punches ×2, leg injury) · Submission **3** (rear-naked choke ×3) · **4** of 6 finishes in R1

Complete professional record (Sherdog; UFC rows cross-checked to Greco; Tapology cross-check)

Opponent record = opponent's pro record entering the bout (Sherdog).

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2026-01-31	Junior Tafa	6-4-0	**W**	Submission (rear-naked choke)	2	3:18	UFC 325: Volkanovski vs. Lopes 2 (Sydney)	2-4-0
2025-11-01	Kevin Christian	9-2-0	**W**	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	3:33	UFC Fight Night: Garcia vs. Onama (Las Vegas)	0-0-0
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	14-2-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous: 30-27, 30-27, 29-28)	3	5:00	UFC Fight Night: Whittaker vs. De Ridder (Abu Dhabi)	2-1-0
2025-01-18	Bogdan Guskov	16-3-0	**L**	Submission (guillotine choke)	2	3:33	UFC 311: Makhachev vs. Moicano (Inglewood, CA)	2-1-0
2024-07-27	Jureall Simmons	4-0-0	**W**	TKO (head kick and punches)	1	1:58	LXF 18 (Lights Out Xtreme Fighting)	—
2023-08-04	Chuck Campbell	5-2-0 (1 NC)	**W**	Decision (split)	3	5:00	PFL 7: 2023 Playoffs	—
2023-03-10	Tristan Overvig	5-1-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	PFL Challenger Series 2023, Week 7	—
2022-07-29	Daniel Compton	5-2-0	**L**	Decision (split)	3	5:00	LFA 137: Gibson vs. Amil	—
2022-04-22	Kohlman Scribner	3-1-0	**W**	TKO (head kick and punches)	1	3:02	LFA 130: Ksiazkiewicz vs. Gambulino	—
2021-12-10	Jeff Nielsen	0-0-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	LFA 120: Cantuaria vs. Horth	—
2021-08-28	Starling Simmons	4-0-0	**W**	TKO (leg injury)	1	3:41	Fierce FC 16: Siler vs. Hardman	—
2021-05-14	Ravon Baxter	1-3-0	**W**	Submission (rear-naked choke)	2	2:21	Fierce FC 15: Hatch vs. Curtis	—

Count check: 12 fights — 10 W (3 KO/TKO, 3 SUB, 4 DEC), 2 L (1 SUB, 1 DEC). Matches Sherdog, Tapology and UFC.com.

Source differences: Sherdog records the Christian finish as a technical submission; Greco, UFC.com and Tapology list it as a submission. Sherdog names the Aslan and Christian cards UFC on ABC 9 and UFC Fight Night 263. BestFightOdds dates the UFC 325 bout Feb 1, 2026 (US time). Sherdog lists his height at 6'2"; UFC Stats, UFC.com and Tapology list 6'3". UFC.com lists his weight as 215 lbs.

Amateur (Sherdog; Tapology):

Date	Opponent	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2019-06-29	Koby Jeffers	**L**	Decision (unanimous)	3	3:00	Tuff-N-Uff World Amateur Championships	—
2019-04-06	Sullivan Cauley	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	3:00	Tuff-N-Uff Fight Night (Orleans Hotel)	—
2018-12-15	Bryan Battle	**W**	Decision (split)	3	3:00	Tuff-N-Uff Mayhem in Mesquite 16	—
2018-08-25	Joe Flores	**W**	TKO (punches)	2	1:59	Real MMA 18	—
2018-07-27	Joe Hurst	**W**	TKO (punches)	2	1:14	Tuff-N-Uff Fight Night (Orleans Hotel)	—
2017-07-15	Ty Gwerder	**D**	Draw (majority)	3	3:00	KOTC Future Legends 37	—
2017-04-15	Nick Kimball	**W**	KO (punches)	1	1:16	KOTC Future Legends 35	—
2017-03-10	Art Aranza	**W**	TKO (punches)	2	1:34	Tuff-N-Uff Downtown Showdown	—

Tapology lists the Jeffers, Cauley and Battle bouts as Tuff-N-Uff light heavyweight title fights, and names the Jul 2018 opponent BeeJay Hurst III.

Finish Subtype Trends — Billy Elekana

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)

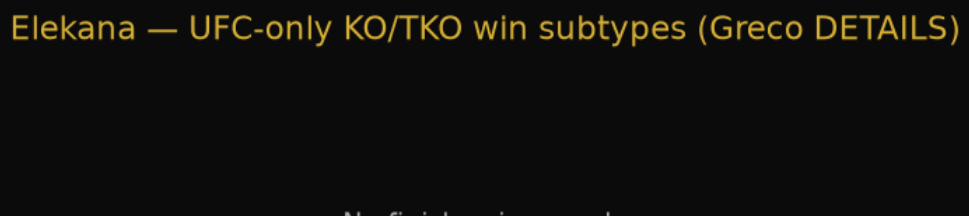
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KO/TKO subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
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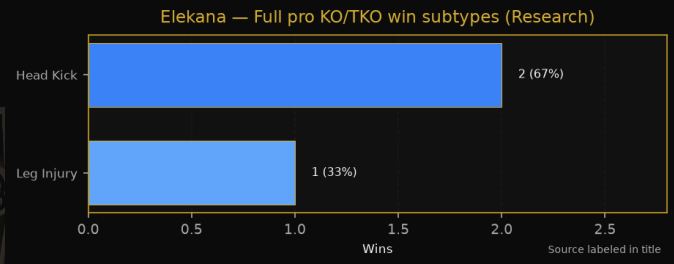
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Subtype	Wins	Share
Rear Naked Choke	2	100.0%



Elekana UFC KO/TKO

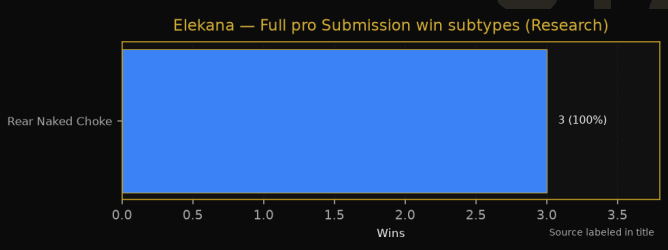
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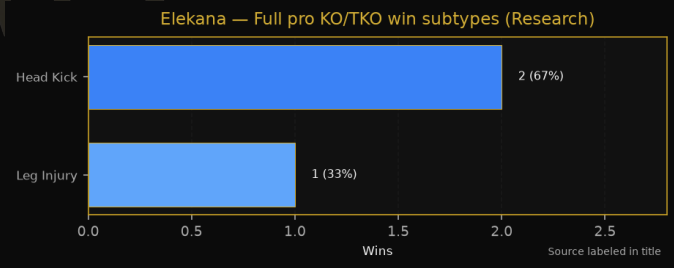


Full pro win finishes (Research Markdown)

KO/TKO wins (Research subtypes): **3** · Submission wins: **3** — includes pre-UFC.

Family	Subtype	Wins	Share	Source
KO/TKO	Head Kick	2	66.7%	Research
KO/TKO	Leg Injury	1	33.3%	Research
Submission	Rear Naked Choke	3	100.0%	Research





Trend reads

- UFC-only: no KO/TKO wins on record.
- UFC-only submission wins (2): Rear Naked Choke 2/2 (100.0%).
- UFC finishing losses: Guillotine x1 (Submission).
- Full pro (Research) win finish subtypes -- KO/TKO Head Kick x2, Leg Injury x1; SUB Rear Naked Choke x3 (includes pre-UFC; Research method strings).
- Pre-UFC / Research-only subtypes not seen in UFC Stats DETAILS: Head Kick.

UFC finishing losses (for context)

- Submission — Guillotine ×1

BILLY ELEKANA — FIGHT NARRATIVES (UFC)

Round stats from UFC Stats / UFC Stats. Official result from Sherdog / Greco DETAILS. Closing odds from Tapology unless noted.

vs Junior Tafa (Jan 31, 2026) — W SUB (rear-naked choke) R2 3:18 — UFC 325, Sydney, –270 favourite

- **R1:** Tafa out-landed him **26/46** to **9/24**, went **10/11** to the body and scored a knockdown. Elekana went **0/3** on takedowns.
- **R2: 15/27** significant strikes to Tafa's **12/24**. He landed **1/2** takedowns and held **1:03** of control. MMA Junkie describes him dragging Tafa down, mounting him and taking the back for the choke.
- **Fight: 24/51** vs **38/70**; **1/5** takedowns; Tafa **0/0**.
- **Tape signal:** He lost R1 and was dropped, then turned the fight with his first successful takedown.

vs Kevin Christian (Nov 1, 2025) — W SUB (rear-naked choke) R1 3:33 — UFC Fight Night: Garcia vs. Onama, –275 favourite

- **R1: 17/23** significant strikes, **9/11** of them on the ground, plus a knockdown. Christian landed **14/17**, all to the body and legs.
- **Tape signal:** Knockdown, ground strikes, then the choke, all inside one round. His first UFC finish.

vs Ibo Aslan (Jul 26, 2025) — W UD (30-27, 30-27, 29-28) — UFC Fight Night: Whittaker vs. De Ridder, Abu Dhabi, +255 underdog

- **R1: 10/16**, **7/8** to the body, vs Aslan's **8/19**.
- **R2: 10/21** vs **8/23**.
- **R3: 15/31** vs **12/36**.
- **Fight: 35/68** vs **28/78**. Aslan landed only **10/57** to the head. Every strike in the fight came at distance, and Elekana went **0/3** on takedowns.
- **Tape signal:** As an underdog he won every round on output and body work (**17/21** to the body).

vs Bogdan Guskov (Jan 18, 2025) — L SUB (guillotine choke) R2 3:33 — UFC 311, Los Angeles, +280 underdog

- **R1: 8/9** significant strikes, a takedown (**1/1**) and **3:40** of control. Guskov landed **12/17**, nine of them on the ground, and made a submission attempt.
- **R2:** Guskov landed **35/54**, including **11/11** in the clinch, to his **12/19**, then finished with a guillotine on the ground.
- **Fight: 20/28** vs **47/71**.
- **Tape signal:** On short notice in his debut (UFC.com), he won the first round on top and was overwhelmed in the second.

Cardio / round trends (Greco, 4 UFC fights):

- Significant strikes landed per round rise from **11.0** (R1, 4 fights) to **12.3** (R2, 3 fights) and **15.0** (R3, 1 fight).
- Opponents land **15.0** per round in R1 and **18.3** in R2. His R2 against Guskov (**35** absorbed) is the heaviest round he has taken.
- His control comes early (**69 s** per R1, **21 s** per R2, none in his one R3).
- Both UFC submission wins came after he had absorbed heavy volume: Christian landed 14 strikes in under four minutes, and Tafa 26 in R1.

UFC Stats — Condensed Identity

Field	Value
Nickname	Son of Susie
DOB (age as of 2026-10-25)	May 28, 1995 (**31**)
Height / Weight / Reach	6'3" / 205 lbs / 77"
Stance	Southpaw
UFC record	**3-1** (4 timed fights, 35.4 min)

Career rates vs men's Light Heavyweight division (Greco + division percentile, n=239)

Metric	Elekana	Div avg		Read (pctl)
SLpM	2.71	3.26	–0.55	Below average (38th)

Metric	Elekana	Div avg		Read (pctl)
SApM	3.59	3.65	–0.06	Average (43rd; lower is better)
SS Acc	56.5% (96/170)	46.8%	+9.7	Strong (84th)
SS Def	46.2%	51.3%	–5.1	Below average (27th)
TD Acc	22.2% (2/9)	34.2%	–12.0	Below average (28th)
TD Avg /15	0.85	—	—	2 takedowns in 4 fights
TDD	— (0 attempts against)	59.6%	—	No UFC opponent has shot on him
CTRL /15	2:24	2:52	–0:28	Average (49th)
CTRL against /15	0:39	3:32	–2:53	Elite (89th; lower is better)
KD rate /15	0.42	0.49	–0.07	Above average (63rd)
KD absorbed /15	0.42	0.67	–0.25	Average (45th)
Sub Avg /15	0.85 (2 attempts)	—	—	Both attempts finished the fight

Material Greco vs published ufcstats: UFC.com prints takedowns as “1 of 9” (11%), but its own 0.85 per-15 average implies 2 landed, which matches Greco (Guskov R1, Tafa R2). Package math uses Greco’s **2/9**. Its other published rates (2.71 SLpM, 3.59 SApM, 56% accuracy, 46% defence, 0.42 knockdowns per 15) match Greco.

Striking mix: Head 69.8% / Body 25.0% / Leg 5.2% of sig landed · Distance 81.3% / Clinch 1.0% / Ground 17.7%. Absorbed mix: Head 55.1% / Body 26.0% / Leg 18.9% · Distance 77.2% / Clinch 8.7% / Ground 14.2%.

6. Fighting Style, Strengths, and How They Win

- **Accurate southpaw striking: 56.5%** significant-strike accuracy (84th percentile at light heavyweight). Against Aslan he out-landed a favourite in all three rounds at distance.
- **Body work: 25%** of his significant strikes go to the body, including **17/21** against Aslan.
- **Back-take finishing:** All three of his pro submissions are rear-naked chokes, two in the UFC. Against Tafa, one takedown led to mount, the back and the finish (MMA Junkie).
- **Rarely held down:** Opponents have **0:39** of control per 15 minutes on him (89th percentile), and none of his four UFC opponents attempted a takedown.
- **Risk flags:** His **46.2%** significant-strike defence is below average (27th), and he has absorbed **127** significant strikes to **96** landed. Tafa dropped him and out-landed him 26-9 in R1. Guskov landed 35 in R2 and submitted him. His output (**2.71** SLpM) is below the division average, and he lands only **2/9** takedowns.

Sources: Greco; UFC Stats; UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology; MMA Junkie; § narratives.

Expectation Breaks

- **Daniel Compton (Jul 2022):** A –699 to –800 favourite at close (BestFightOdds), he lost a split decision at LFA 137.
- **Ibo Aslan (Jul 2025):** A +255 underdog per Tapology against a 14-2 opponent, he won a unanimous decision and out-landed Aslan in every round.
- **Bogdan Guskov (Jan 2025):** A +280 short-notice debutant, he won R1 with a takedown and 3:40 of control before being submitted in R2.
- **Tristan Overvig (Mar 2023):** His line flipped from +125 at open to –140/–170 at close (BestFightOdds), and he won a unanimous decision.
- **Junior Tafa (Jan 2026):** Dropped and out-landed 26-9 in R1, he submitted Tafa in R2.

7. Community / Expert Predictions and Sentiment

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

• **Market:** No sportsbook line had been posted for Elekana vs. Fernando as of Oct 25 (BestFightOdds; UFCalendar). UFCalendar shows a prediction-market price of **+215** for Elekana (32% implied).

• **Models (opinion):** UFCalendar's model gives Elekana **48%**.

• **Community:** Tapology lists **17%** of 807 community picks for Elekana.

• **Media framing:** MMA Fighting billed the pairing as one between "rising light heavyweights" and noted his three straight UFC wins since his debut loss (Guilherme Cruz, Sep 11, 2026).

• **Self-assessment (UFC.com, Jan 2026):** "One year in the UFC, you're real cautious… When I'm settled and ready, I think I'll do a lot better."

No anonymous forum picks are included beyond sourced public pages.

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Fighting Stats. As-of 2026-10-25. Opinions labeled in §7.

SCOUTING REPORT — Lucas Fernando (Red)

Lucas Fernando — Professional Scouting Report

Fighting Stats As-of: 2026-10-25 **Slug:** `lucas-fernando`

Fighter Header / Tombstone

Field	Detail
Full Name	Lucas Fernando
Nickname	None listed (UFC.com; UFC Stats; Tapology)
Weight Class & Ranking	UFC Light Heavyweight — unranked (UFC.com). Tapology's algorithmic ranking: #42 of 49 UFC light heavyweights.
Record	**14-3-0**; **UFC 1-0** (Sherdog; Tapology; UFC.com)
DOB / Age	January 10, 1997 (UFC Stats; Sherdog) / **29** (as of 2026-10-25; **29** on fight night Nov 7, 2026)
Birthplace	State of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (UFC.com hometown). Sherdog lists Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.
Fights Out Of	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil (Tapology)
Gym	**Rizzo RVT** (Sherdog; UFC.com). Tapology lists **Refit Pro Fighters**.
Height / Reach	**6'3" / 80"** (UFC Stats TOTT; UFC.com; Sherdog height). UFC.com leg reach 41.5".
Stance	Not listed on UFC Stats. UFCalendar lists him as orthodox.
Sherdog	Sherdog
UFC	UFC
UFC Stats	UFC Stats
Tapology	Tapology

1. Early Life and Athletic Background

Fernando started kickboxing at **8** and began fighting "because my parents encouraged me to" (UFC.com Q&A). Before MMA he was a member of the **Brazilian national kickboxing team** "for many years."

- **Kickboxing titles (UFC.com):** Brazilian, Pan American, South American and State kickboxing champion.
- **Ranks (UFC.com):** Black belt in Brazilian jiu-jitsu, black belt in kickboxing and black grade in Muay Thai.
- **Amateur MMA:** One recorded bout, a guillotine win over Peterson Pit at WOCS 43 in June 2016 (Sherdog; Tapology).
- **Work and family:** "I've always been a martial arts instructor." He is married, and names his father as his hero (UFC.com).

Sources: UFC.com athlete profile and Q&A; Sherdog; Tapology.

2. Training Gym, Coaches, and Training Partners

- **Primary: Rizzo RVT** in Rio de Janeiro (Sherdog; UFC.com).
- **Head coach: Pedro Rizzo**, the former UFC heavyweight title challenger. Fernando names him as his favourite fighter: "My coach, Pedro Rizzo, because he was a legend in combat sports" (UFC.com Q&A).
- **Alternate listing:** Tapology lists **Refit Pro Fighters** as his team.
- **Base:** UFC.com lists his style as "Striker." Eight of his 14 pro wins are KO/TKOs.

Sources: UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology.

2B. Social Media Deep Dive

Platform	Handle / URL	Status (as of 2026-10-25)
Instagram	@lucasfernandomma	Linked from UFC.com; instagram.com/lucasfernandomma
X (Twitter)	@fernandommakick	Linked from UFC.com; twitter.com/fernandommakick
Facebook	Lucasfernandomma	Linked from UFC.com; facebook.com/Lucasfernandomma

Posts and appearances that matter (sourced, not invented captions):

- **UFC 330 debut (Aug 15, 2026):** MMA Junkie wrote that he “styled on Tobias with a wide array of striking techniques, landing virtually everything he threw,” and that the performance “had the commentary team gushing over his potential” (Matthew Wells).
- **Booking (Sep 11, 2026):** MMA Fighting reported the Elekana bout under the headline “Rising light heavyweights Lucas Fernando, Billy Elekana booked for UFC Vegas 124 fight” (Guilherme Cruz).
- **UFC.com Q&A:** He calls his first LFA title fight the toughest of his career.

3. Injury History and Medical Information

Documented items:

- **No disclosed injuries.** No surgeries or injury reports appear on UFC.com, Sherdog or Tapology, or in the news coverage reviewed.
- **Cancellations:** Tapology lists a Mar 23, 2024 booking with João Paulo Silva at LFA 179 that was cancelled with no reason listed; the two met at LFA 183 in May 2024. A Jul 2018 RBFC 9 bout with Luan Duarte was also cancelled, and he fought Paulo Henrique Laia on that card.
- **Durability:** Never stopped in 17 pro fights; all three losses went the distance. Rafael Tobias landed only **13** significant strikes on him in his UFC debut (Greco).
- **Workload:** He has gone five rounds twice: a fourth-round KO of Jansey Silva and a 25-minute decision loss to Azamat Bekoev.
- **Into Elekana (Nov 2026): 84 days** since the Tobias win (Aug 15, 2026). It is his third fight of 2026. Active on UFC.com and booked.

Sources: UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology; Greco.

4. Professional Fight Promotions and Career Trajectory

Brazil regional, mostly welterweight (2017–2020): 5-1. Four first-round finishes, at Rio Bonito Fighting Championship, MMA Experience and Shooto Brazil, plus a decision at Federação Fight 9. His first loss was a decision to Diego Dias at Shooto Brazil 100.

LFA, middleweight (2021–2023): 4-0. A flying-knee KO of the unbeaten João Dantas, a decision over Rodrigo Lima, a first-round TKO of 18-3 Fábio Aguiar, and a fourth-round body-punch KO of Jansey Silva for the LFA middleweight title (Tapology: vacant title).

DWCS and setback (2023): 0-2. He lost a unanimous decision to the unbeaten Cesar Almeida on Dana White’s Contender Series (Week 1, Season 7). Four months later he lost a five-round decision to Azamat Bekoev at LFA 173, which UFC.com describes as a title fight.

LFA rebuild, middleweight to light heavyweight (2024–2026): 4-0. Decisions over João Paulo Silva and Pedro Oliveira at 185. At light heavyweight, a 63-second TKO of Phillip Latu at LFA 214 for the LFA light heavyweight title (UFC.com), then a first-round TKO of Leon Soares in the LFA 234 main event. UFC.com’s Q&A lists him as a two-time LFA light heavyweight champion.

UFC (2026–present): 1-0. He debuted at UFC 330 in Philadelphia with a third-round TKO of Rafael Tobias, a knee to the body followed by strikes. UFC.com notes he is **5-1 since his DWCS appearance**, on a five-fight win streak.

Sources: Sherdog; Tapology; UFC.com; MMA Junkie; MMA Fighting.

5. Professional Record and Method Breakdown

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

Wins (14): KO/TKO **8** (57%) · Submission **2** (14%) · Decision **4** (29%) **Losses (3):** Decision **3** (100%)

UFC wins (1 — Greco): KO/TKO **1** (100%) **UFC losses:** none

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

UFC KO/TKO wins: Knee to the body at distance **1** (Tobias R3 1:10) **UFC SUB wins:** none **UFC finishing losses:** none

Pro finishes (Sherdog): KO/TKO **8** (punches ×2, knee to the body and elbows, leg kick and punches, punch to the body, flying knee, elbows, knees) · Submission **2** (rear-naked choke ×2) · **8** of 10 finishes in R1

Complete professional record (Sherdog; UFC rows cross-checked to Greco; Tapology cross-check)

Opponent record = opponent's pro record entering the bout (Sherdog).

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	14-2-0	**W**	TKO (knee to the body and elbows)	3	1:10	UFC 330: Makhachev vs. Machado Garry (Philadelphia)	0-1-0
2026-05-29	Leon Soares	10-3-0	**W**	TKO (leg kick and punches)	1	1:28	LFA 234: Fernando vs. Soares	—
2025-08-15	Phillip Latu	7-2-0	**W**	TKO (punches)	1	1:03	LFA 214: Fernando vs. Latu	—
2024-08-30	Pedro Oliveira	8-2-1	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	LFA 191: Prado vs. Lopes	—
2024-05-03	João Paulo Silva Santos	7-2-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	LFA 183: Cantanhede vs. Guimaraes	—
2023-12-15	Azamat Bekoev	16-3-0	**L**	Decision (unanimous)	5	5:00	LFA 173: Fernando vs. Bekoev	—
2023-08-08	Cesar Almeida	3-0-0	**L**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Dana White's Contender Series 2023, Week 1	—
2023-03-10	Jansey Silva	8-2-0	**W**	KO (punch to the body)	4	2:34	LFA 154: Fernando vs. Silva	—
2022-09-30	Fábio Aguiar	18-3-0	**W**	TKO (punches)	1	2:55	LFA 143: Lopes vs. Paiva	—
2022-03-11	Rodrigo Lima Novais	6-2-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	LFA 126: Bilharinho vs. Delano	—
2021-07-16	João Dantas	4-0-0	**W**	KO (flying knee)	1	2:29	LFA 111: De Sa vs. Bonfim	—
2020-08-23	Diego Dias	11-3-0 (1 NC)	**L**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Shooto Brazil 100: Dias vs. Antunes	—
2019-12-21	Wallace Lopes	4-4-0	**W**	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	—	Shooto Brazil 99: Torres vs. Mao de Pedra	—
2018-12-08	Rafael Silva de Souza	5-1-0	**W**	Decision (unanimous)	3	5:00	Federação Fight 9	—
2018-07-07	Paulo Henrique Laia	3-0-0	**W**	Submission (rear-naked choke)	1	4:15	Rio Bonito Fighting Championship 9	—
2017-11-25	Dailon Farias	1-2-0	**W**	TKO (elbows)	1	2:34	MMA Experience 4: Panthers and Fight Night	—

Date	Opponent	Opp. record	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2017-07-08	Mateus Silva	4-2-0	**W**	TKO (knees)	1	2:56	Rio Bonito Fighting Championship 7	—

Count check: 17 fights — 14 W (8 KO/TKO, 2 SUB, 4 DEC), 3 L (3 DEC). Matches Sherdog, Tapology and UFC.com (“Eight wins by KO, two by submission (RNC x2)”).

Source differences: Sherdog lists the Soares finish at 1:28 of R1; Tapology and UFCalendar list 2:28. Sherdog gives no finish time for the Wallace Lopes submission, and Tapology dates that bout Dec 20, 2019. Tapology describes the Tobias finish as a knee and follow-up strikes; Greco lists a knee to the body at distance. Opponent names vary: Tapology lists João Paulo Silva, Rodrigo Lima, Rafael Silva and Daylon Farias, and BestFightOdds spells Jensey Silva. Tapology names the Farias card Panthers and Fight Night 1. BestFightOdds dates the Latu bout Aug 16, 2025. UFC.com lists his weight as 186 lbs and UFC Stats 185 lbs, figures from his middleweight run; Sherdog lists 205.

Amateur (Sherdog; Tapology):

Date	Opponent	Result	Method	R	Time	Event	Opp. UFC rec (at fight)
2016-06-25	Peterson Pit	**W**	Submission (guillotine choke)	1	—	WOCS 43: Watch Out Combat Show 43	—

Sherdog lists the time as 0:00 and Tapology as 3:00, so no time is given here.

Finish Subtype Trends — Lucas Fernando

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: **1** · Submission wins: **0**

KO/TKO subtypes

Subtype	Wins	Share
Knees	1	100.0%

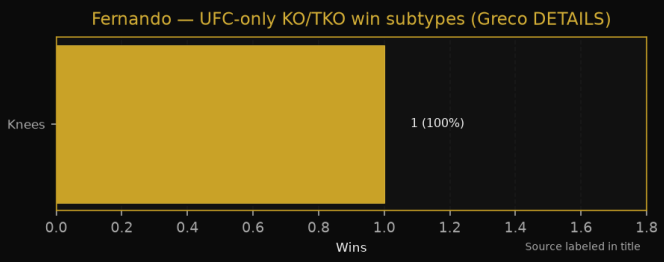
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Subtype	Wins	Share
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Fernando — UFC-only Submission win subtypes (Greco DETAILS)

No finishes in sample

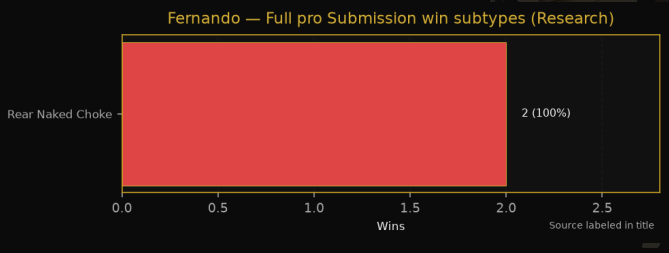


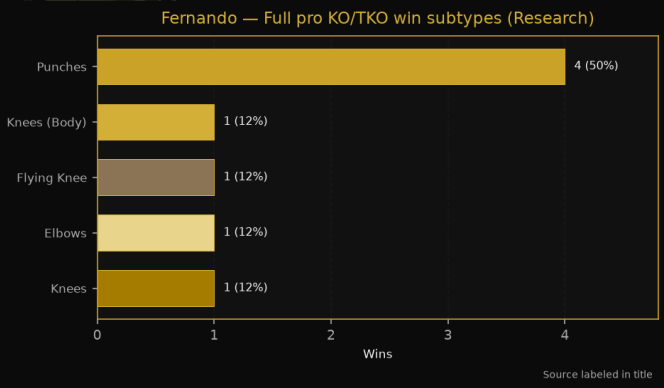


Full pro win finishes (Research Markdown)

KO/TKO wins (Research subtypes): **8** · Submission wins: **2** — includes pre-UFC.

Family	Subtype	Wins	Share	Source
KO/TKO	Punches	4	50.0%	Research
KO/TKO	Knees (Body)	1	12.5%	Research
KO/TKO	Flying Knee	1	12.5%	Research
KO/TKO	Elbows	1	12.5%	Research
KO/TKO	Knees	1	12.5%	Research
Submission	Rear Naked Choke	2	100.0%	Research





Trend reads

- UFC-only KO/TKO wins (1): top subtype Knees (1/1, 100.0%).
- UFC-only: no submission wins on record.
- Full pro (Research) win finish subtypes -- KO/TKO Punches x4, Knees (Body) x1, Flying Knee x1, Elbows x1, Knees x1; SUB Rear Naked Choke x2 (includes pre-UFC; Research method strings).
- Pre-UFC / Research-only subtypes not seen in UFC Stats DETAILS: Knees (Body).

LUCAS FERNANDO — FIGHT NARRATIVES (UFC)

Round stats from UFC Stats / UFC Stats. Official result from Sherdog / Greco DETAILS. Closing odds from Tapology unless noted.

vs Rafael Tobias (Aug 15, 2026) — W TKO (knee to the body and elbows) R3 1:10 — UFC 330, Philadelphia, –290 favourite

- **R1: 27/47** significant strikes to Tobias's **7/25**, with **11/12** to the body. Tobias landed his only takedown (**1/1**) and held **0:50** of control.
- **R2: 28/45**, including **7/7** leg kicks, and a knockdown. Tobias landed **6/23**.

- **R3: 14/23** and a second knockdown before the knee to the body at 1:10. Tobias went **0/8**.
- **Fight: 69/115** (60%) vs **13/56**; **2** knockdowns; **66** of his 69 landed came at distance. MMA Junkie: the knee “caused Tobias to fold over in pain.”
- **Tape signal:** A one-sided striking display against an opponent who entered 14-2. The takedown in R1 was Tobias’s only real success.

Pre-UFC loss (not in Greco)

- **vs Cesar Almeida (Aug 8, 2023) — L UD — DWCS 2023 Week 1 (middleweight).** BestFightOdds closing range: Fernando –**200 to** –**265** favourite. UFC.com’s published career figures fold this bout in; Greco does not. The gap between UFC.com’s career totals and the Tobias bout implies he landed about **28/54** significant strikes against Almeida and absorbed roughly **71** (derived from UFC.com’s 97/169 and 3.21 SApM).

Cardio / round trends (Greco, 1 UFC fight): 27 / 28 / 14 significant strikes landed in R1–R3 (the third ended at 1:10), while Tobias landed **7 / 6 / 0**. Both knockdowns came after the first round. One fight is too small a sample to call a pace trend. Outside the UFC he has won a fourth-round KO and gone 25 minutes in a loss.

UFC Stats — Condensed Identity

Field	Value
Nickname	—
DOB (age as of 2026-10-25)	Jan 10, 1997 (**29**)
Height / Weight / Reach	6'3" / 185 lbs / 80"
Stance	— (not listed)
UFC record	**1-0** (1 timed fight, 11.2 min)

Career rates vs men’s Light Heavyweight division (Greco + division averages, n=239)

One UFC fight: rates describe the Tobias bout only, and division percentiles are suppressed.

Metric	Fernando	Div avg		Read
SLpM	6.18	3.26	+2.92	One-fight sample
SApM	1.16	3.65	–2.49	One-fight sample (lower is better)
SS Acc	60.0% (69/115)	46.8%	+13.2	One-fight sample
SS Def	76.8%	51.3%	+25.5	One-fight sample
TD Acc	— (0 attempts)	34.2%	—	No takedowns attempted
TD Avg /15	0.00	—	—	—
TDD	0% (0/1 stuffed)	59.6%	—	Tobias’s one attempt landed
CTRL /15	0:12	2:52	–2:40	One-fight sample
CTRL against /15	1:14	3:32	–2:18	0:50 of it in R1
KD rate /15	2.69	0.49	+2.20	Two knockdowns
KD absorbed /15	0.00	0.67	–0.67	None absorbed
Sub Avg /15	0.00	—	—	No attempts

Material Greco vs published ufcstats: UFC.com’s career panel appears to fold in the DWCS Almeida bout (its totals exceed the single UFC fight), so its figures differ: **97/169** significant strikes (57%), **3.71** SLpM, **3.21** SApM, **51%** defence, **1.15** knockdowns per 15 and an average fight time of **13:05**. Its takedown figures show 0% accuracy on 10 attempts alongside a 1.72 per-15 average, which do not reconcile. Package math uses Greco (UFC bouts only).

Striking mix: Head 53.6% / Body 26.1% / Leg 20.3% of sig landed · Distance 95.7% / Clinch 1.4% / Ground 2.9%. Absorbed mix: Head 38.5% / Body 38.5% / Leg 23.1% · Distance 84.6% / Clinch 7.7% / Ground 7.7%.

6. Fighting Style, Strengths, and How They Win

- **Kickboxing at range:** A former Brazilian national-team kickboxer with an **80"** reach. **95.7%** of his significant strikes against Tobias came at distance, at **60%** accuracy.
- **Full-target attack: 26%** of his landed strikes went to the body and **20%** to the legs. He landed **11/12** body shots in R1 and **7/7** leg kicks in R2 against Tobias.
- **Knees and body shots as finishers:** A flying knee (Dantas), knees (Mateus Silva), a body punch (Jansey Silva, R4) and a knee to the body (Tobias).
- **Early finishing:** Eight of his ten stoppages came in R1, including a 63-second TKO of Latu and a first-round TKO of Soares.
- **Risk flags:** All three losses are decisions, two of them in 2023 (Almeida, Bekoev). He has not attempted a takedown in the UFC, and Tobias's only attempt landed. UFC.com's combined figures imply he absorbed far more against Almeida than against Tobias. He has one UFC fight.

Sources: Greco; UFC Stats; UFC.com; Sherdog; Tapology; MMA Junkie; § narratives.

Expectation Breaks

- **Cesar Almeida (Aug 2023):** A –200 to –265 favourite at close (BestFightOdds) on DWCS, he lost a unanimous decision to a 3-0 opponent.
- **João Dantas (Jul 2021):** A +160 underdog per Tapology against an unbeaten opponent, he won by flying-knee KO in R1.
- **Fábio Aguiar (Sep 2022):** His line opened at +110 (BestFightOdds) against an 18-3 veteran, and he finished Aguiar in R1.
- **Mateus Silva (Jul 2017):** Only 27% of Tapology's community picked him in his pro debut against a 4-2 opponent, and he finished Silva in R1.
- **Azamat Bekoev (Dec 2023):** A +163 underdog at close (BestFightOdds) against a 16-3 opponent, he went the full 25 minutes and lost a decision.

7. Community / Expert Predictions and Sentiment

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

- **Market:** No sportsbook line had been posted for Elekana vs. Fernando as of Oct 25 (BestFightOdds; UFCalendar). UFCalendar shows a prediction-market price of –**215** for Fernando (68% implied).
- **Models (opinion):** UFCalendar's model gives Fernando **52%**.
- **Community:** Tapology lists **83%** of 807 community picks for Fernando.
- **Media framing:** MMA Junkie called his debut "a stellar display" and said "the product that arrived at UFC 330 looked much more polished than the fighter who appeared on DWCS" (Matthew Wells, Aug 15, 2026). MMA Fighting framed the booking as a meeting of "rising light heavyweights."

No anonymous forum picks are included beyond sourced public pages.

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- UFCalendar — https://www.ufcalendar.com/events/ufc-fight-night-2026-11-07/billy-elekana-vs-lucas-fernando (model and prediction-market price)

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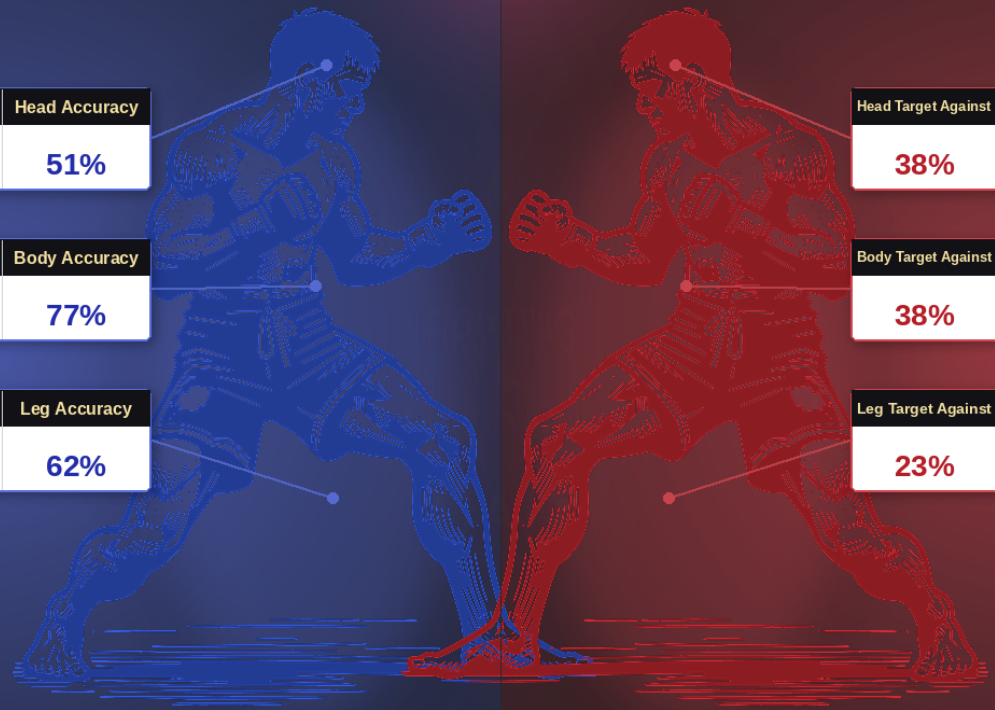
Billy Elekana

Blue OFFENSE

VS

Lucas Fernando

Red DEFENSE



Striking Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
81.2%	1.0%	17.7%

Striking Accuracy

Distance Acc	Clinch Acc	Ground Acc
52.0%	100.0%	89.5%

Offensive Knockdowns

KD	KD Rate
1	0.42

Head Target	Head Accuracy
70%	51%

Body Target	Body Accuracy
25%	77%

Leg Target	Leg Accuracy
5%	62%

Head Target Against	Head Strike Def
38%	89%

Body Target Against	Body Defense
38%	0%

Leg Target Against	Leg Strike Def
23%	25%

Strikes Against Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
84.6%	7.7%	7.7%

Striking Defense

Distance Def	Clinch Def	Ground Def
78.8%	50.0%	50.0%

Knockdowns Against

KD	KD Rate
0	0.00

Offensive Takedowns

TD Attempted	TD Success	TD Accuracy	Control (sec)	Control / TD	SUB.ATT	REV.
9	2	22.2%	341	170.5	2	0

Takedown Defense

TDD Att	TDD Success	TDD %	Control Against (s)	Ctrl allowed/TD	SUB.ATT ag	REV. ag
1	0	0.0%	55	55	0	0

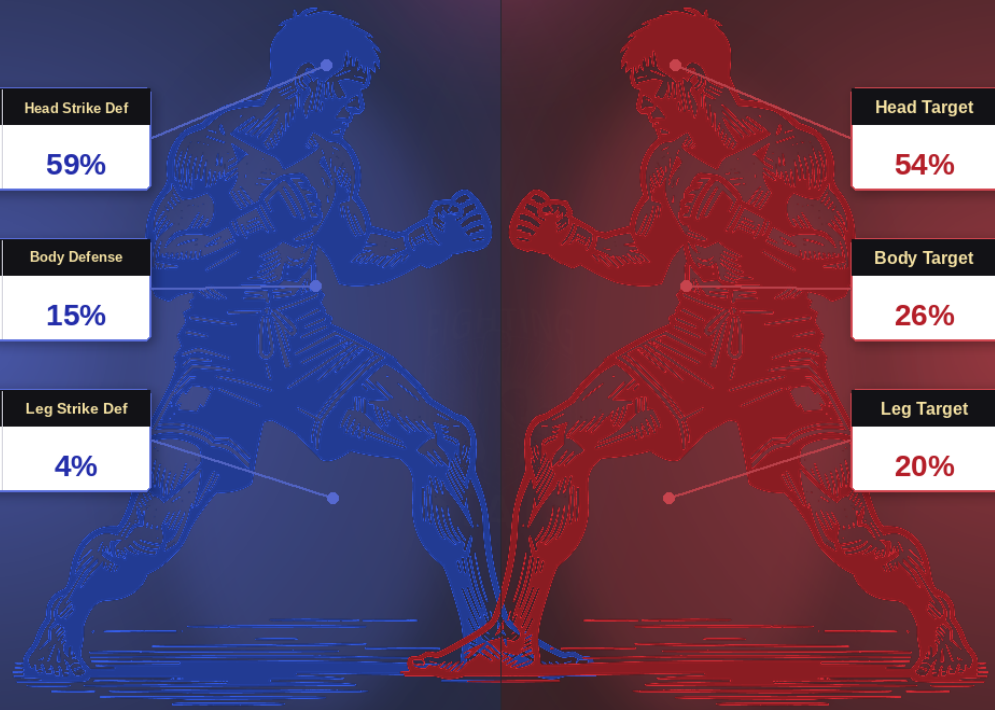
Billy Elekana

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Strikes Against Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
77.2%	8.7%	14.2%

Striking Defense

Distance Def	Clinch Def	Ground Def
49.7%	21.4%	33.3%

Knockdowns Against

KD	KD Rate
1	0.42

Head Target Against	Head Strike Def
55%	59%

Body Target Against	Body Defense
26%	15%

Leg Target Against	Leg Strike Def
19%	4%

Head Target	Head Accuracy
54%	46%

Body Target	Body Accuracy
26%	90%

Leg Target	Leg Accuracy
20%	93%

Striking Distribution

Distance %	Clinch %	Ground %
95.7%	1.4%	2.9%

Striking Accuracy

Distance Acc	Clinch Acc	Ground Acc
59.5%	100.0%	66.7%

Offensive Knockdowns

KD	KD Rate
2	2.69

Takedown Defense

TDD Att	TDD Success	TDD %	Control Against (s)	Ctrl allowed/TD	SUB.ATT ag	REV. ag
0	0	N/A (0 att)	91	0	2	1

Offensive Takedowns

TD Attempted	TD Success	TD Accuracy	Control (sec)	Control / TD	SUB.ATT	REV.
0	0	0.0%	9	0	0	0

Statistical Matchup Package

Dashboard stats updated: **2026-10-25**.

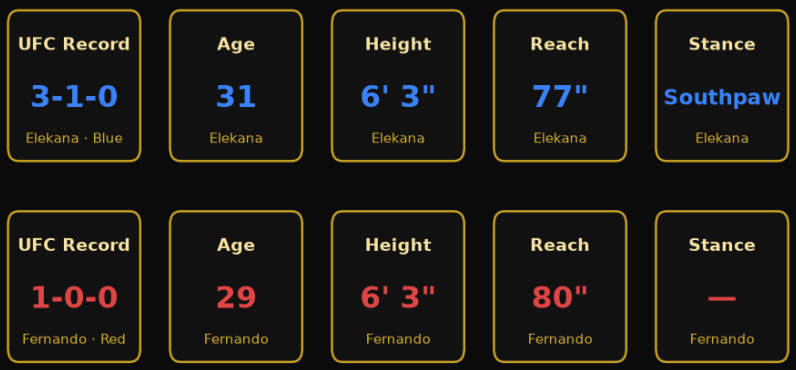
Tale of the Tape

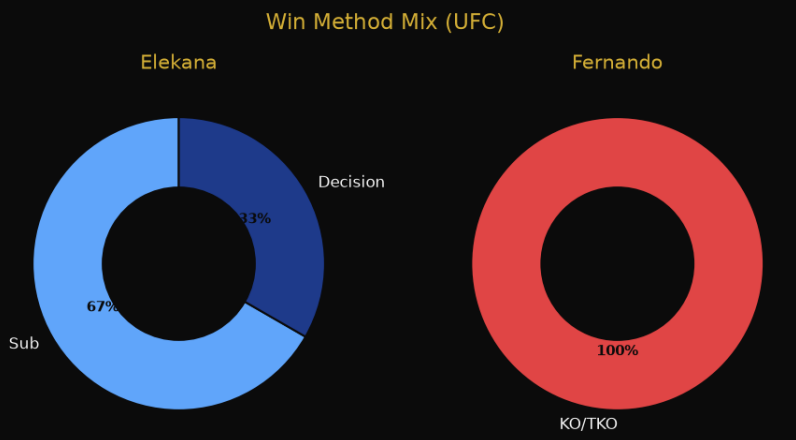
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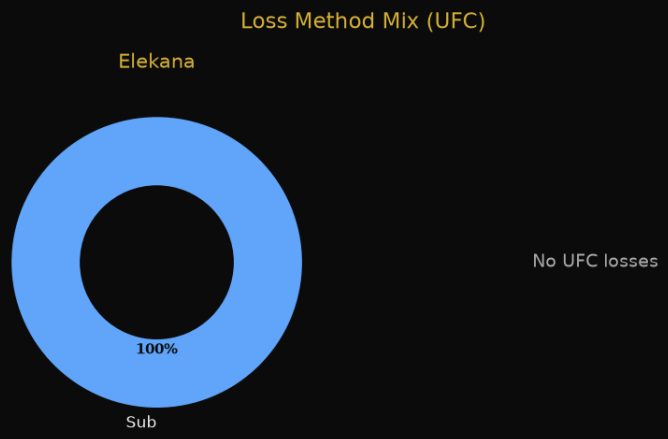
Acronym glossary

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







Matchup board read — Page A (Elekana OFF vs Fernando DEF)

Elekana's accuracy is the pressure point into Fernando's defense (Elekana SS Acc **56.5%** into Fernando Str Def **76.8%**). Most of Elekana's work is at distance (**81.2%**). Wrestling leverage: Elekana TD Acc **22.2%** vs Fernando TDD **0.0%** — small sample (0 of 1 takedown stopped). Power check: Elekana KD scored **1** (0.42/15) vs Fernando KD absorbed **0** (0.0/15).

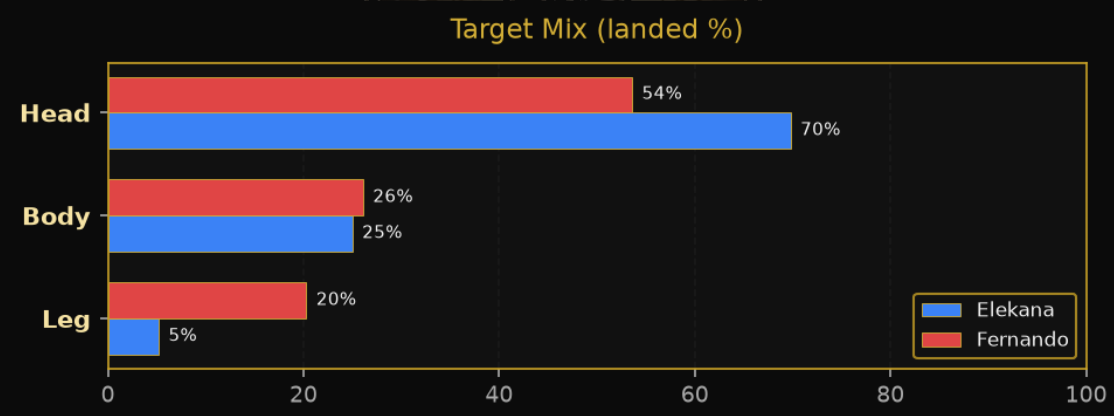
Matchup board read — Page B (Elekana DEF vs Fernando OFF)

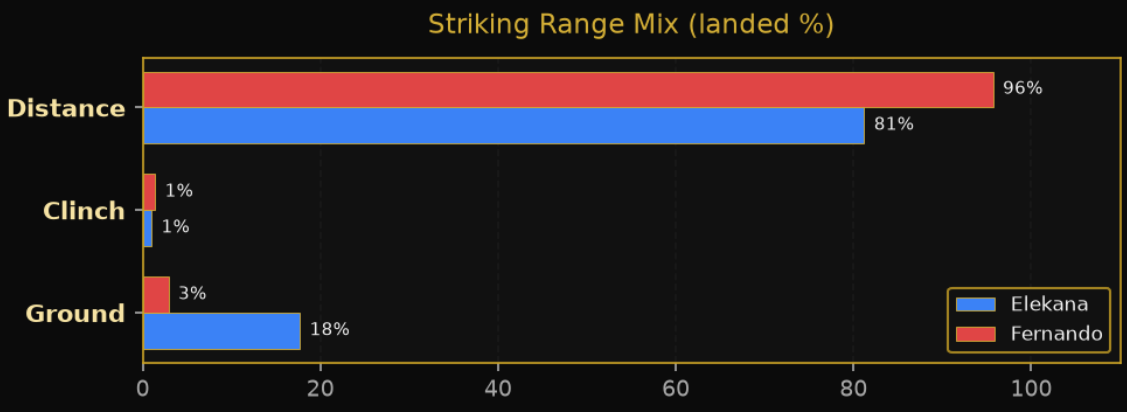
Fernando needs clean entries into Elekana's defense (Fernando SS Acc **60.0%** into Elekana Str Def **46.2%**). On the mat, Fernando's TD Acc **—** (0/0) meets Elekana TDD **N/A (0 att)** — Fernando has no UFC takedown attempts, so there is no takedown read. Expected control / 15: Fernando **12.1s (1.3%)** vs Elekana **144.5s (16.1%)** (Fernando SUB.ATT **0**).

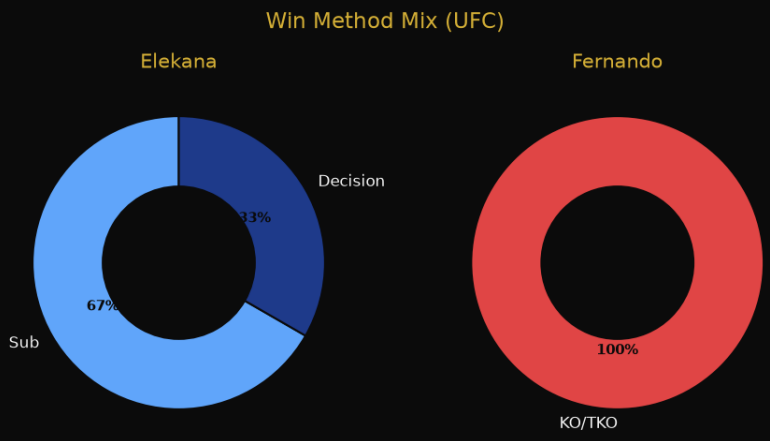
Career Striking Breakdown

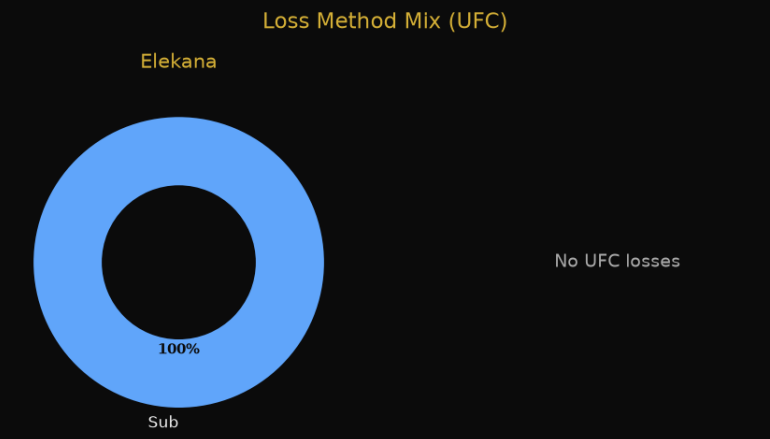
Layout: **Blue (Billy Elekana)** | metric | **Red (Lucas Fernando)**. Dashboard stats updated: **2026-10-25**.

Blue	Metric	Red
96/170	**Sig landed / thrown**	69/115
56.5%	**SS Acc**	60.0%
69.8% / 51.1%	**Head share / Acc**	53.6% / 46.2%
25.0% / 77.4%	**Body share / Acc**	26.1% / 90.0%
5.2% / 62.5%	**Leg share / Acc**	20.3% / 93.3%
81.2% / 1.0% / 17.7%	**Distance / Clinch / Ground share**	95.7% / 1.4% / 2.9%
1	**KD scored (offense)**	2
1	**KD absorbed (defense)**	0
0.42	**KD rate (scored / 15)**	2.69
0.42	**KD absorbed rate (/15)**	0.0
1 per 127 sig abs	**Knockdown rate (1 KD per N sig absorbed)**	—
127/236	**Sig absorbed (landed on)**	13/56
46.2%	**Str Def**	76.8%









Career Grappling Breakdown

Blue (Billy Elekana) | metric | Red (Lucas Fernando) — same titles side-by-side.

Blue	Metric	Red
2 of 9 (22.2%)	**TD landed / attempted (Acc)**	0 of 0 (—)
0 of 0 (N/A (0 att))	**TD against (TDD %)**	1 of 1 (0.0%)
2	**Submission attempts**	0
0	**Reversals**	0
144.5s (16.1%)	**Control expected / 15**	12.1s (1.3%)
5:41	**Career CTRL**	0:09
38.6s (4.3%)	**Control allowed / 15**	73.9s (8.2%)
1:31	**Career CTRL against**	0:55

Matchup implications

- Fernando TD Acc — into Elekana TDD N/A (0 att)

  → Fernando has no UFC takedown attempts; Elekana brings a TDD that is untested in the UFC (0 takedown attempts faced). Grappling from Fernando is not part of the UFC record.

- Elekana TD Acc 22.2% into Fernando TDD 0.0%

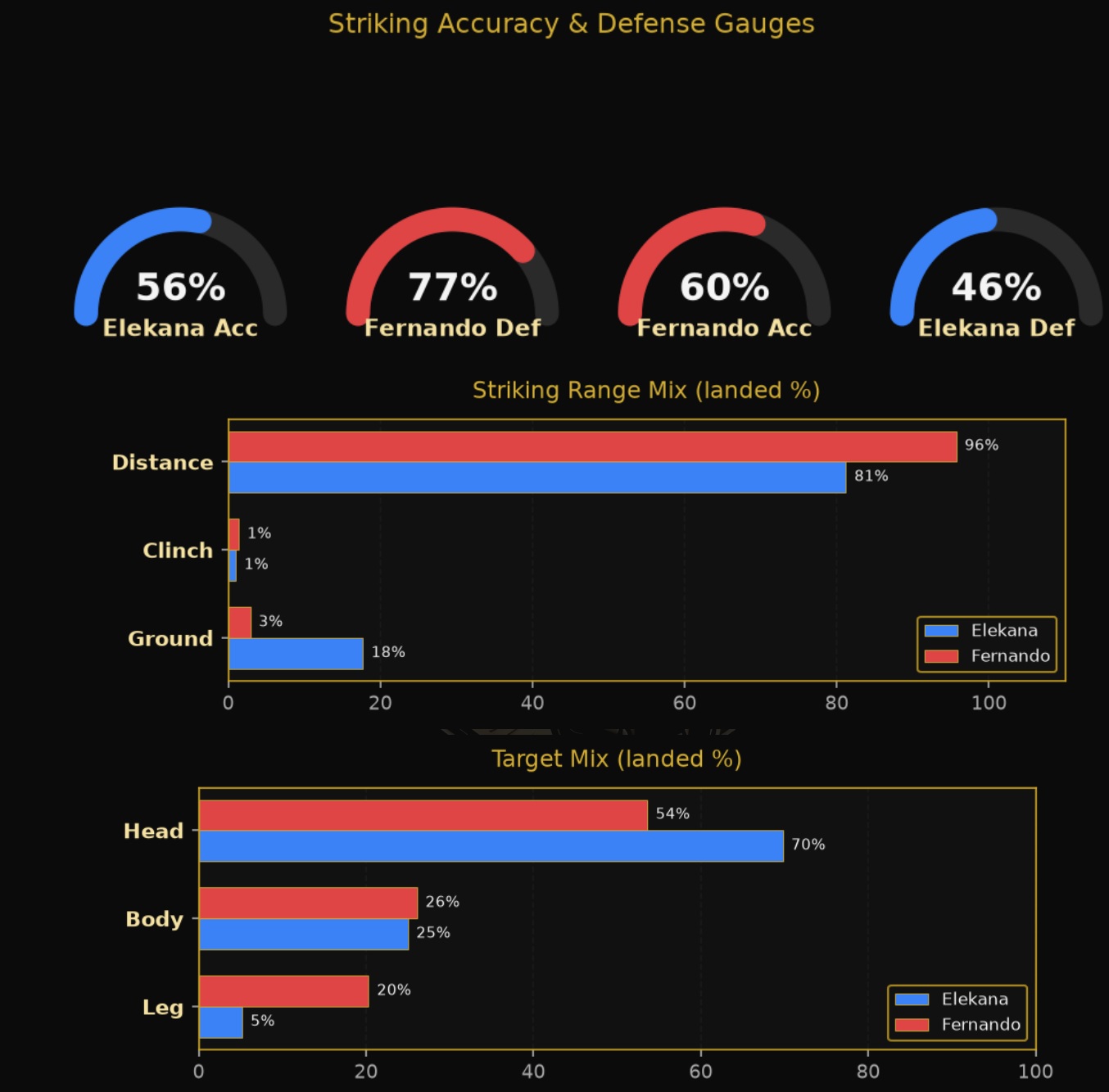
→ Elekana brings high takedown volume (3.8 attempts per 15 min) at a low 22.2% (2 of 9) into Fernando's TDD from a small sample (0 of 1 takedown stopped) — too few attempts to judge.

- Control allowed / 15: Elekana 38.6s (4.3%) vs Fernando 73.9s (8.2%)

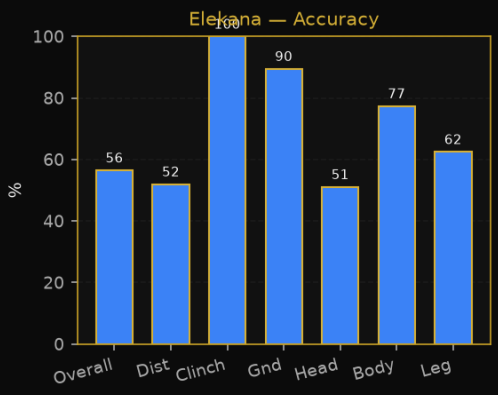
  → Control allowed: Elekana 4.3% vs Fernando 8.2% of a 15-min fight — sample too small for a mat-time comparison (Fernando: 1 UFC fight, 11.2 min).

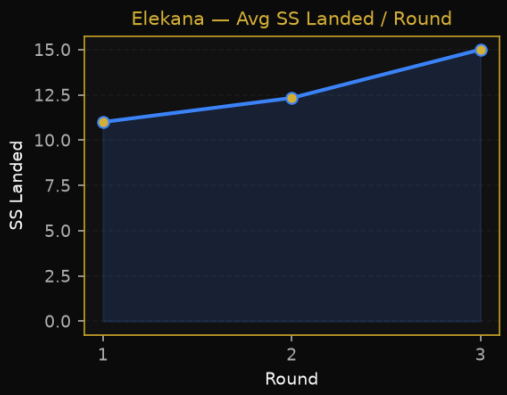


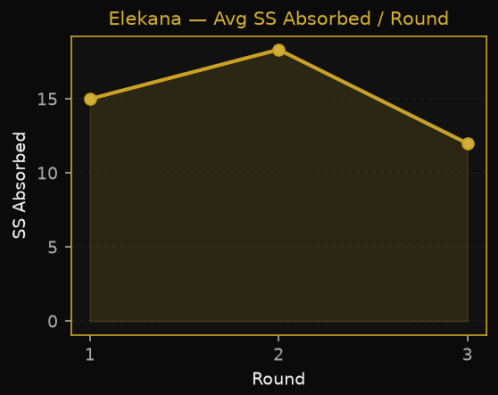
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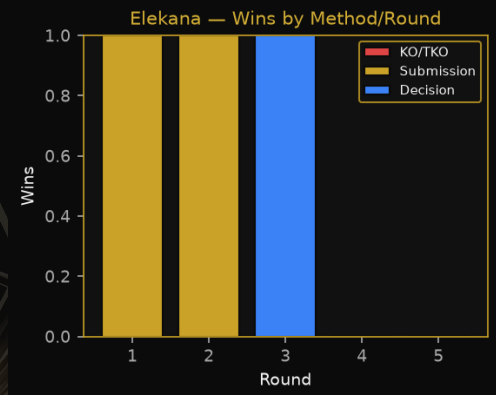


STRIKING — Billy Elekana (Blue)





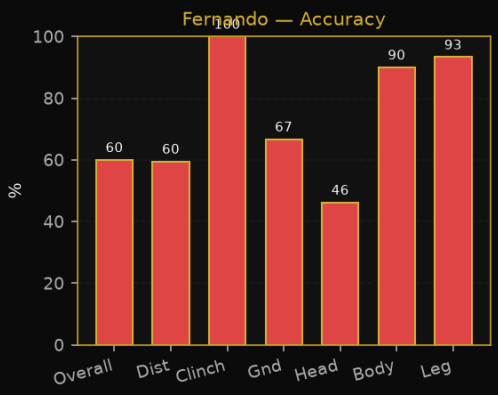


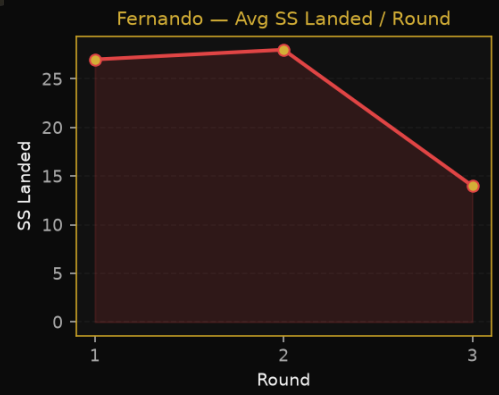


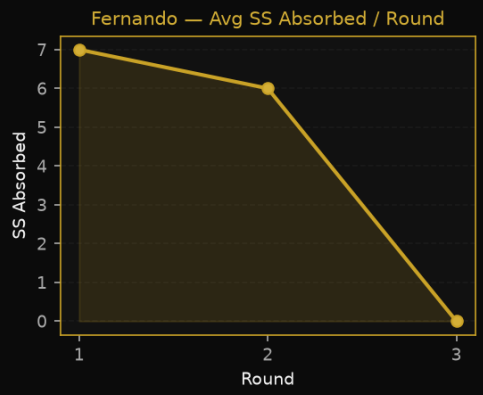
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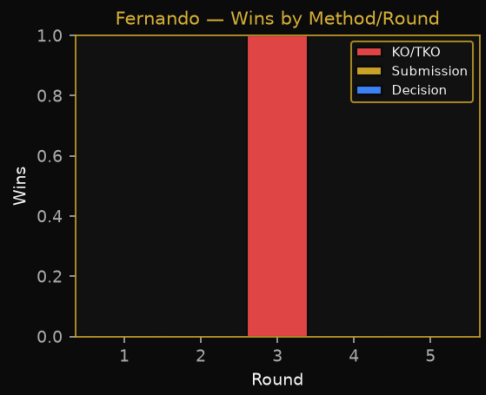
Career SS Acc **56.5%** · Def **46.2%** · Distance share **81.2%** · KD rate **0.42**/15 · Absorbed KD rate **0.42**/15.

STRIKING — Lucas Fernando (Red)









Fernando striking snapshot

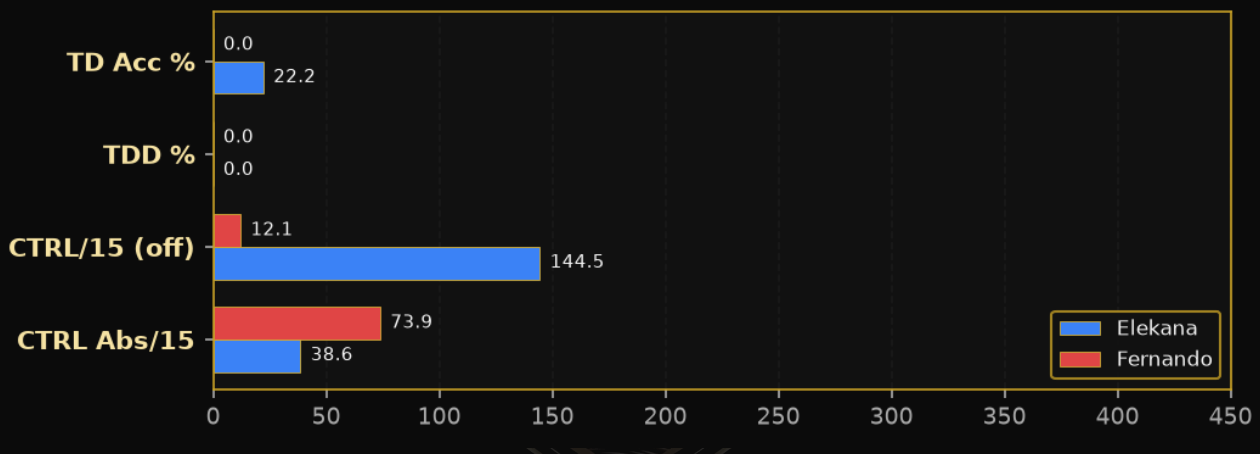
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Grappling Infographics & Matchup Insights

Takedown Accuracy & Defense Gauges



Grappling Snapshot



Matchup Snapshot — Expectation Breakers

CTRL Gap	Elekana Dist Bias	Fernando Sub Wins	Elekana TDD
0.1×	81%	0%	N/A (0 att)
Fernando CTRL/15 vs Elekana	Landed SS at distance	Of UFC wins	Career takedown defense

Elekana KD Rate	Fernando SUB.ATT	Elekana SS Acc	Fernando SS Acc
0.42	0	56%	60%
Per 15 minutes	Career attempts	Career accuracy	Career accuracy

Expectation-break insights

Insight

Control allowed: Elekana CTRL against / 15 = 38.6s (4.3%) vs Fernando 73.9s (8.2%) — Control allowed: Elekana 4.3% vs Fernando 8.2% of a 15-min fight — sample too small for a mat-time comparison (Fernando: 1 UFC fight, 11.2 min).

Insight

TD volume vs TDD: Elekana TD Att 9 / Acc 22.2% into Fernando TDD 0.0% — Fernando's TDD is a small sample (0 of 1 takedown stopped) — too few attempts to judge.

Insight

TD offense gate: Fernando TD Acc — (0/0) — Fernando has not attempted a takedown in the UFC.

Insight

Sub threat: Elekana career SUB.ATT 2 (66.7% of UFC wins) vs Fernando 0 (0.0% of UFC wins) — no clear submission edge on the UFC record.

Insight

KD profile: Elekana KD rate 0.42/15 vs Fernando 2.69/15; Elekana has absorbed 1 KD in UFC.

Insight

Distance bias: Elekana 81.2% landed SS at distance vs Fernando 95.7%; Elekana absorbs 77.2% of damage at distance.

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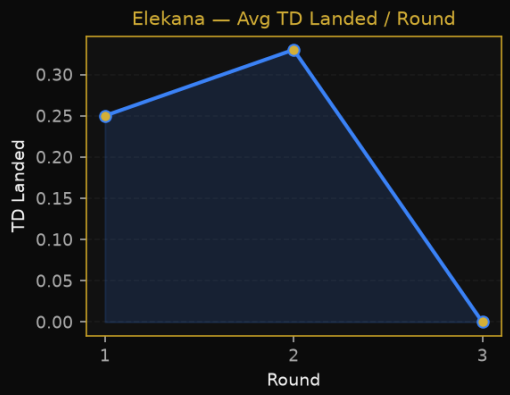
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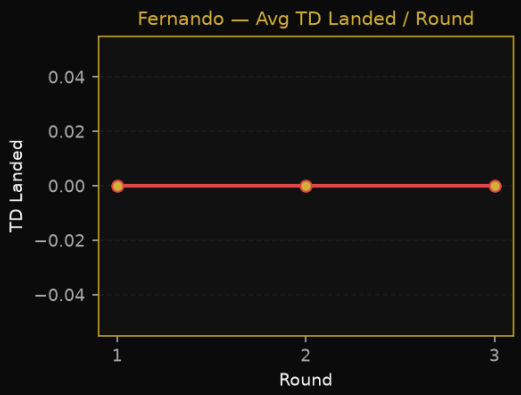
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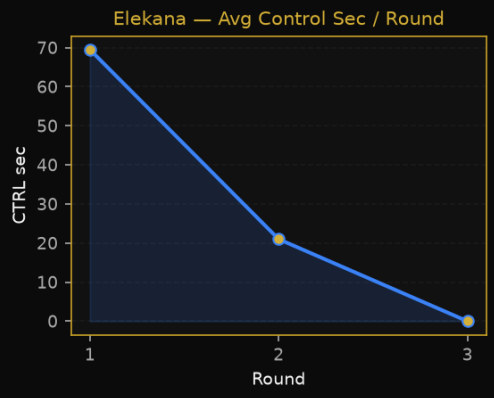
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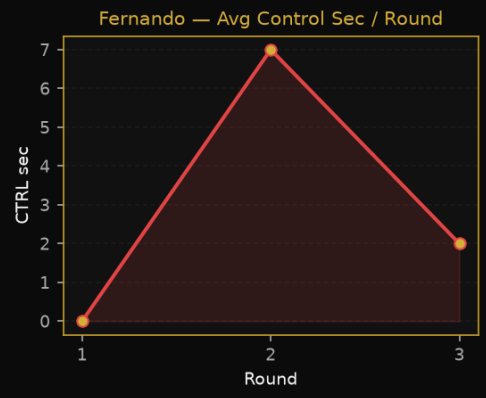
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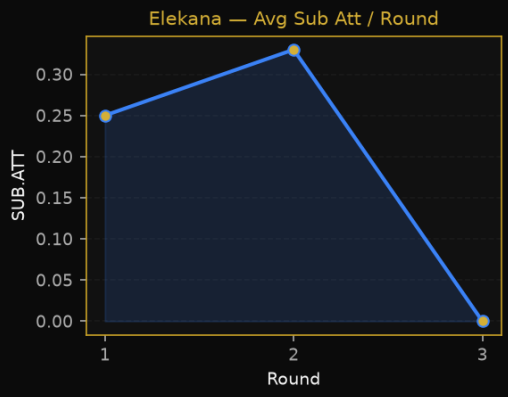
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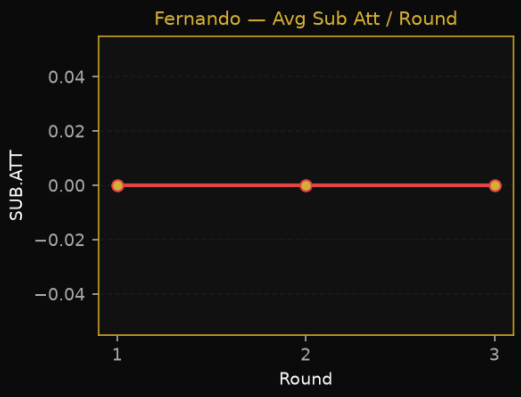


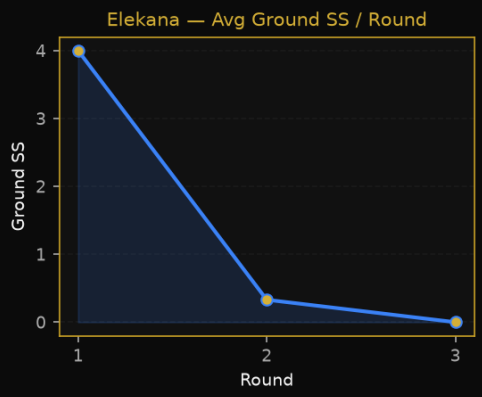


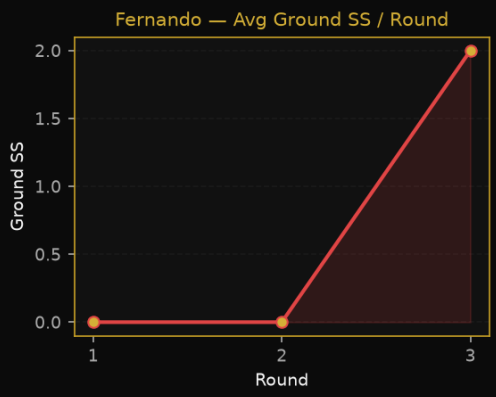

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Elekana — Avg Ground SS / Round
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Leg Strikes — Offense vs Defense

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 2026-10-25.

Fernando Leg Output vs Elekana Leg Absorption

Side-by-side career board so FightingStats can compare **Fernando low-kick/leg output** vs **Elekana's leg absorption pattern**.

Metric	Fernando OFFENSE (leg)	Elekana DEFENSE (leg abs)	Elekana OFFENSE (leg)	Fernando DEFENSE (leg abs)
Leg sig landed	14	24	5	3
Leg sig attempted	15	25	8	4
Leg accuracy %	93.3%	96.0%	62.5%	75.0%
Leg share % of sig landed	20.3%	18.9%	5.2%	23.1%
Avg leg landed / round	4.67	3.00	0.62	1.00
Avg leg landed / fight	14.00	6.00	1.25	3.00
Sample rounds / fights	3/1	8/4	8/4	3/1

(Fernando OFF avg leg/rnd – Elekana DEF avg leg abs/rnd) = **1.67**. leg share pp (Fernando OFF share – Elekana DEF share) = **1.4**. Fernando career leg volume: **14 of 15** (93.3% acc · 20.3% of sig landed). Elekana career leg absorbed: **24 of 25** (18.9% of sig absorbed). Light Heavyweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ **2.53**.

Read — volume only

Fernando averages **4.67** leg sig landed per round (14.00/fight). Elekana absorbs **3.00** leg sig per round historically (6.00/fight). Leg landed / attempted from fight stats (significant strikes to the legs).

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.

Fernando Leg Offense — Round × Opponent

Lucas Fernando — **offensive** leg sig / low-kick proxy. Columns: Date · Opponent · Round · Sig landed · Leg L/T · Acc% · Share% · vs Opp Avg Abs (Above/Below).

Baseline: round Leg Lnd vs that opponent's career avg leg sig absorbed/rnd (Above/Below/≈Avg; in parentheses). Light Heavyweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ 2.53.

Career: 14 of 15 leg sig (93.3% · 20.3% of 69 sig landed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Lnd	Leg Lnd	Leg Att	Leg Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Opp Avg Abs
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	1	27	4	5	80.0%	14.8%	Below (-2.33) vs 6.33
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	2	28	7	7	100.0%	25.0%	Above (+0.67) vs 6.33
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	3	14	3	3	100.0%	21.4%	Below (-3.33) vs 6.33

Elekana Leg Defense — Absorbed (Round × Opponent)

Billy Elekana — **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; in parentheses). Light Heavyweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ 2.53.

Career absorbed: 24 of 25 (96.0% opponent leg acc · 18.9% of sig absorbed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Abs	Leg Abs	Leg Att	Opp Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Own Avg Abs
2026-01-31	Junior Tafa	1	26	3	3	100.0%	11.5%	≈Avg (+0.00) vs 3.00
2026-01-31	Junior Tafa	2	12	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.00) vs 3.00
2025-11-01	Kevin Christian	1	14	8	8	100.0%	57.1%	Above (+5.00) vs 3.00
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	1	8	5	6	83.3%	62.5%	Above (+2.00) vs 3.00
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	2	8	3	3	100.0%	37.5%	≈Avg (+0.00) vs 3.00
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	3	12	2	2	100.0%	16.7%	Below (-1.00) vs 3.00
2025-01-18	Bogdan Guskov	1	12	3	3	100.0%	25.0%	≈Avg (+0.00) vs 3.00
2025-01-18	Bogdan Guskov	2	35	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.00) vs 3.00

Elekana Leg Offense — Round × Opponent

Billy Elekana — **offensive** leg sig / low-kick proxy. Same columns as Fernando offense (Date · … · vs Opp Avg Abs).

Baseline: round Leg Lnd vs that opponent's career avg leg sig absorbed/rnd (Above/Below/≈Avg; in parentheses). Light Heavyweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ 2.53.

Career: 5 of 8 leg sig (62.5% · 5.2% of 96 sig landed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Lnd	Leg Lnd	Leg Att	Leg Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Opp Avg Abs
2026-01-31	Junior Tafa	1	9	1	1	100.0%	11.1%	Below (-1.60) vs 2.60
2026-01-31	Junior Tafa	2	15	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-2.60) vs 2.60
2025-11-01	Kevin Christian	1	17	4	6	66.7%	23.5%	Above (+1.50) vs 2.50
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	1	10	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-1.33) vs 1.33
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	2	10	0	1	0.0%	0.0%	Below (-1.33) vs 1.33
2025-07-26	Ibo Aslan	3	15	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-1.33) vs 1.33
2025-01-18	Bogdan Guskov	1	8	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.27) vs 3.27
2025-01-18	Bogdan Guskov	2	12	0	0	—	0.0%	Below (-3.27) vs 3.27

Fernando Leg Defense — Absorbed (Round × Opponent)

Lucas Fernando — **defensive** leg sig absorbed. Same columns as Elekana defense (Date · … · vs Own Avg Abs).

Baseline: round Leg Abs vs this fighter's own career avg leg sig absorbed/rnd (Above/Below/≈Avg; in parentheses). Light Heavyweight division avg leg L/rnd ≈ 2.53.

Career absorbed: 3 of 4 (75.0% opponent leg acc · 23.1% of sig absorbed).

Date	Opponent	Rnd	Sig Abs	Leg Abs	Leg Att	Opp Acc%	Leg Share%	vs Own Avg Abs
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	1	7	0	1	0.0%	0.0%	Below (-1.00) vs 1.00
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	2	6	3	3	100.0%	50.0%	Above (+2.00) vs 1.00
2026-08-15	Rafael Tobias	3	0	0	0	—	—	Below (-1.00) vs 1.00

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 Billy Elekana — 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
Junior Tafa	9	15	39 of 42	4.33	2.60	92.9%	25.5%
Kevin Christian	2	2	5 of 7	2.50	2.50	71.4%	13.2%
Ibo Aslan	5	9	12 of 18	2.40	1.33	66.7%	9.4%
Bogdan Guskov	7	15	49 of 57	7.00	3.27	86.0%	21.1%

Opponents faced by Lucas Fernando — 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
Rafael Tobias	2	6	38 of 40	19.00	6.33	95.0%	23.3%

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.

Light Heavyweight Division Context

Upcoming bout is billed **Light Heavyweight**. Division pool (n=224): Fighters whose majority of UFC bouts are in billed class 'Light Heavyweight', OR whose most recent UFC bout is in that family. **Last Greco weight class:** Elekana = **Light Heavyweight Bout**; Fernando = **Light Heavyweight Bout**. Values: fighter · division average · delta · standing in division. Control rows show seconds and % of a 15-min fight.

Sample-size note

Lucas Fernando has a sparse Octagon sample (n=1) — treat rates as a single-fight tape read.

Metric	Div Avg	Elekana	vs avg	Elekana standing	Fernando	vs avg	Fernando standing
SS Acc %	46.8%	56.5%	+9.7 pp	top 16%	60.0%	+13.2 pp	N/A
SS Def %	51.3%	46.2%	-5.1 pp	top 73%	76.8%	+25.5 pp	N/A
TD Acc %	34.2%	22.2%	-12.0 pp	top 72%	—	—	N/A
TDD %	59.6%	N/A (0 att)	—	N/A	0.0%	-59.6 pp	N/A
Control expected / 15 min	171.8s (19.1%)	144.5s (16.1%)	-27.4s	top 51%	12.1s (1.3%)	-159.8s	N/A
Control allowed / 15 min	211.7s (23.5%)	38.6s (4.3%)	-173.1s	top 11%	73.9s (8.2%)	-137.8s	N/A
KD rate / 15	0.49	0.42	-0.07	top 37%	2.69	+2.20	N/A
KD Abs rate / 15	0.67	0.42	-0.25	top 55%	0.00	-0.67	N/A
SLpM	3.26	2.71	-0.55	top 62%	6.18	+2.92	N/A
SApM	3.65	3.59	-0.06	top 57%	1.16	-2.49	N/A

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%).

Elekana vs division field

SS Acc **56.5%** (div avg 46.8%, top 16%) · SS Def **46.2%** (top 73%) · TDD **N/A (0 att)** (N/A). Last Greco class: Light Heavyweight Bout.

Fernando vs division field

SLpM **6.18** (N/A) · TDD **0.0%** — small sample (0 of 1 takedown stopped) · SS Def **76.8%** (N/A). Last Greco class: Light Heavyweight Bout.

Standing = share of the Light Heavyweight pool at or better on that metric (“top X%”). For Control allowed / 15, KD Abs rate, and SApM, lower is better.

Billy Elekana — 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 — Billy Elekana

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 *
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	24/9	-17	0	8/23	1/1	0/0	25/10	8/1/0	4:23 [88%]	27.4
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	27/15	3	0	14/26	0/0	1/1	29/17	14/0/1	2:15 [68%]	93.3
Nov 01, 2025	Kevin Christian	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	23/17	3	1	8/12	0/0	9/11	25/19	8/0/9	3:12 [90%]	37.5
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	16/10	2	0	10/16	0/0	0/0	16/10	10/0/0	5:00 [100%]	30.0
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	21/10	2	0	10/21	0/0	0/0	21/10	10/0/0	5:00 [100%]	30.0
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	3	Light Heavyweight Bout	31/15	3	0	15/31	0/0	0/0	31/15	15/0/0	5:00 [100%]	45.0
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	9/8	-4	0	1/2	0/0	7/7	18/16	1/0/7	1:20 [27%]	11.2
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	19/12	-23	0	12/19	0/0	0/0	19/12	12/0/0	3:33 [100%]	50.7

B — Defensive Significant Strikes — Billy Elekana

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*
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	46/26	-17	1	25/42	0/3	1/1	46/26	25/0/1	4:23 [88%]	85.5
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	24/12	3	0	12/24	0/0	0/0	24/12	12/0/0	2:15 [68%]	80.0
Nov 01, 2025	Kevin Christian	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	17/14	3	0	14/17	0/0	0/0	17/14	14/0/0	3:12 [90%]	65.6
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	19/8	2	0	8/19	0/0	0/0	19/8	8/0/0	5:00 [100%]	24.0

Date	Opponent	R	WC	Abs T/L	Diff	KD↓	Dist	Clin	Gnd	Tot Abs	Tot D/C/G	StrTime [%clk]	Abs/15*
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	23/8	2	0	8/23	0/0	0/0	25/9	8/0/0	5:00 [100%]	24.0
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	3	Light Heavyweight Bout	36/12	3	0	12/36	0/0	0/0	36/12	12/0/0	5:00 [100%]	36.0
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	17/12	-4	0	3/3	0/0	9/14	25/19	3/0/9	1:20 [27%]	33.8
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	54/35	-23	0	16/31	11/11	8/12	60/40	16/11/8	3:33 [100%]	67.6

C — Offensive Takedowns — Billy Elekana

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%
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	—	W	5/1	1.33	1:40	1	0	72.7%
Nov 01, 2025	Kevin Christian	—	W	0/0	0.00	0:21	1	0	—
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	—	W	3/0	0.40	0:00	0	0	87.5%
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	—	L	1/1	0.71	3:40	0	0	54.5%

Above-expected TD (C) — Billy Elekana

Landed ≥1 TD vs historically strong career TDD (≥70%): Junior Tafa (Jan 31, 2026) TD 1/5 vs career TDD 72.7%.

D — Defensive Grappling — Billy Elekana

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
Jan 31, 2026	Junior Tafa	—	W	0/0	0:07	0	0	—	—	0.00
Nov 01, 2025	Kevin Christian	—	W	0/0	0:00	0	0	—	—	0.00
Jul 26, 2025	Ibo Aslan	—	W	0/0	0:00	0	0	—	—	0.00
Jan 18, 2025	Bogdan Guskov	—	L	0/0	1:24	2	1	—	—	0.00

Lucas Fernando — A/B/C/D Fight Tables

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A — Offensive Significant Strikes — Lucas Fernando

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 *
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	47/27	20	0	26/46	1/1	0/0	47/27	26/1/0	5:00 [100%]	78.0
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	45/28	22	1	28/45	0/0	0/0	45/28	28/0/0	4:53 [98%]	86.0
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	3	Light Heavyweight Bout	23/14	14	1	12/20	0/0	2/3	23/14	12/0/2	1:08 [97%]	158.8

B — Defensive Significant Strikes — Lucas Fernando

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*
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	1	Light Heavyweight Bout	25/7	20	0	5/22	1/1	1/2	27/8	5/1/1	5:00 [100%]	15.0
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	2	Light Heavyweight Bout	23/6	22	0	6/22	0/1	0/0	23/6	6/0/0	4:53 [98%]	18.4
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	3	Light Heavyweight Bout	8/0	14	0	0/8	0/0	0/0	8/0	0/0/0	1:08 [97%]	0.0

C — Offensive Takedowns — Lucas Fernando

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%
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	—	W	0/0	0.00	0:09	0	0	100.0%

D — Defensive Grappling — Lucas Fernando

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
Aug 15, 2026	Rafael Tobias	—	W	1/1	0:55	0	0	0.0%	—	1.50

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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	807-888	$48,812	+122.5u	7.8%
All-time since 2024	1909-2525	$293,189	+611.2u	16.7%
2026 Live Betting	272-197	$31,001	+65.9u	13.8%

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