2022-23 Season Review – Seattle Kraken

Standings

Season	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA	Rank	PlyOff
2021-22	27	49	6	60	213	284	30	No
2022-23	46	28	8	100	289	252	12	Yes
Change	+19	-21	+2	+40	+76	+32	+18	

(Columns W, L, T, Pts, GF, GA grouped under "Seattle Kraken"; Rank, PlyOff grouped under "League")

Team Record by Game Type

Game Type	GP	Record	Point %
Best 10-Game Streak	10	8 - 1 - 1	0.850
Scoring Exactly 3 Goals	13	10 - 1 - 2	0.846
OT/SO	17	9 - 0 - 8	0.765
Vs. Non-Playoff Team	42	30 - 8 - 4	0.762
Blowouts (More than 4-goal margin)	4	3 - 1 - 0	0.750
Away Games	41	26 - 11 - 4	0.683
All Games	**82**	**46 - 28 - 8**	**0.610**
Defensive Battles (fewer than 4 goals in a game)	5	2 - 1 - 2	0.600
Fire-wagon Hockey (More than 8 goals in a game)	20	11 - 7 - 2	0.600
2-Goal Margin	12	7 - 5 - 0	0.583
Home Games	41	20 - 17 - 4	0.537
Conceding Exactly 3 Goals	12	5 - 5 - 2	0.500
1-Goal Margin (Excluding overtime games)	14	7 - 7 - 0	0.500
Vs. Playoff Team	40	16 - 20 - 4	0.450
Worst 10-Game Streak	10	3 - 6 - 1	0.350

Talent Distribution

Count by Category				PR% by Age Group				PR% by Draft Status		
PR Category	Fwd	Def		Age Group	NHL PR%	Team PR%		Draft Status	NHL PR%	Team PR%
PR-Elite	0	0		18 to 23	18%	9%		Drafted by Current Team	48%	6%
PR-Star	0	2		24 to 28	45%	51%		Drafted by Other Team	41%	81%
PR-First5	5	1		29 to 33	29%	40%		Undrafted	10%	13%
PR-Regular	4	3		34+	8%	0%				
PR-Fringe	4	0								
PR-CallUp	4	3								

Return From Play

Team Placement - Return From Play Dollars

Lines and Pairs

Lines and Pairs - NHL vs. SEA (42.23)
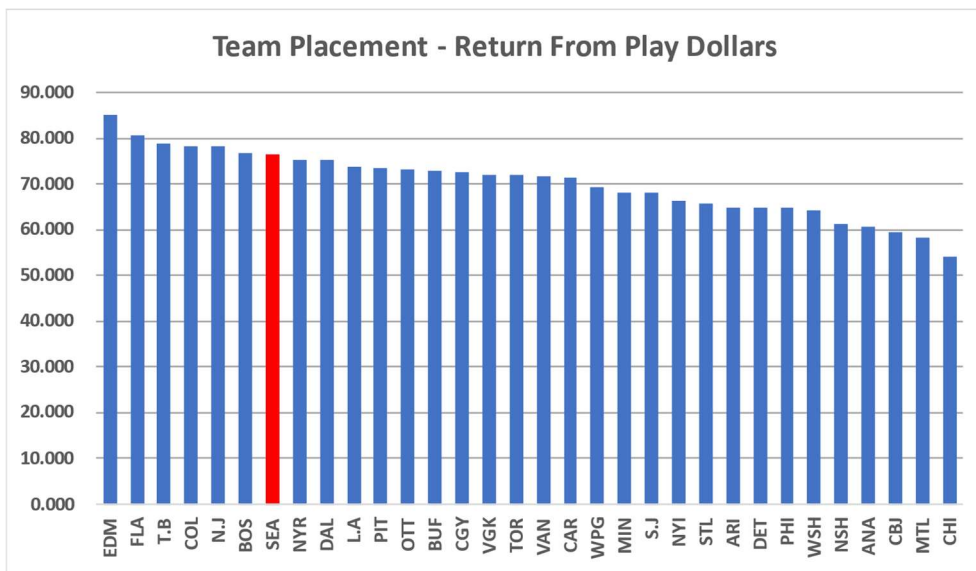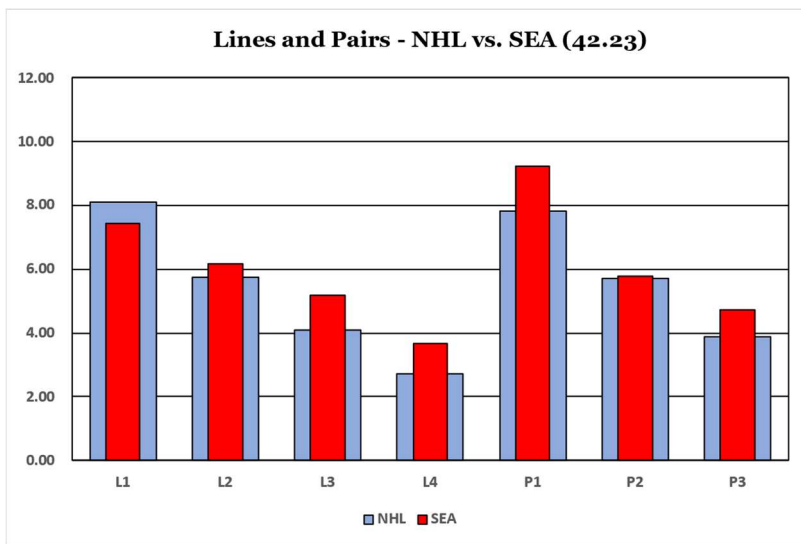
L1	Jared McCann		Yanni Gourde		Alexander Wennberg	
L2	Matty Beniers		Jordan Eberle		Oliver Bjorkstrand	
L3	Brandon Tanev		Jaden Schwartz		Daniel Sprong	
L4	Andre Burakovsky		Morgan Geekie		Ryan Donato	
P1		Vince Dunn		Adam Larsson		
P2		Jamie Oleksiak		Will Borgen		
P3		Justin Schultz		Carson Soucy		

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Team Leaders – Stapled To The Bench Categories

Category	Name	Rating
Most Productive	Vince Dunn	PR-Star
Most Valuable	Adam Larsson	VR-First5
Best Center	Alexander Wennberg	#2-Center
Most Disruptive	Alexander Wennberg	DX-A
Best Power Player	Jared McCann	PX-C
Best Penalty Killer	Yanni Gourde	KX-A

Team Leaders – On-Ice Situations

SEA - Team Leaders in Various On-Ice Situations		
Most Time 5v5	**Most Time Power Play**	**Most Time Penalty Kill**
Adam Larsson	Vince Dunn	Adam Larsson
Vince Dunn	Jared McCann	Jamie Oleksiak
Jamie Oleksiak	Jordan Eberle	Brandon Tanev
Will Borgen	Oliver Bjorkstrand	Alex Wennberg
Yanni Gourde	Matty Beniers	Yanni Gourde
Most Time 3v3	**Most Used Off. Zone FO**	**Most Used Def. Zone FO**
Alex Wennberg	Vince Dunn	Jamie Oleksiak
Vince Dunn	Adam Larsson	Will Borgen
Matty Beniers	Jordan Eberle	Brandon Tanev
Adam Larsson	Matty Beniers	Alex Wennberg
Jaden Schwartz	Jared McCann	Yanni Gourde

Team Essay – Three Goals in a Game

What was Seattle's strength this season? Let's look at forwards, defensemen and goalies, but in reverse order.

The goalies, Jones and Grubauer, were below league average, giving up about seventeen more goals than expected. The league average goalie had a 0.904 save percentage, while the Kraken average goalie's save percentage was 0.890.

As can be seen in the Lines and Pairs chart, their defense is excellent. They have an outstanding first pair, an average second pair and an above average third pair.

The Lines and Pairs chart shows that their first-line forwards are below average, while their second-, third- and fourth-line skaters are all above average.

The difference between their first-line and third-line forwards was third smallest in the league, with only Montreal and Nashville having a closer set of nine forwards. But while Seattle put three second-lines on the ice, Montreal and Nashville put three third-lines on the ice, so they aren't in the same class as Seattle.

Productivity Rating (PR) is used to assign players to lines. I calculated how many extra points Seattle got from their forward lines compared to the league average to see how their three second-lines helped them.

Points Per Line			
	SEA	NHL	Diff.
L1	156	209	-53
L2	165	136	29
L3	121	83	38
L4	94	52	42
Total	536	480	56

Seattle does well even when comparing them to teams with strong first lines. Ottawa, granted they are not a playoff team, had a strong first line. Seattle got more points from their fourth-line players than Ottawa got from their third- and fourth-line players combined.

Points Per Line			
	SEA	OTT	Diff.
L1	156	252	-96
L2	165	163	2
L3	121	52	69
L4	94	33	61
Total	536	500	36

Staying in Ontario, one most also grant that Toronto had a strong first line, but the Leafs were a playoff team.

Points Per Line			
	SEA	OTT	Diff.
L1	156	271	-115
L2	165	156	9
L3	121	94	27
L4	94	34	60
Total	536	555	-19

Seattle's forwards were significant contributors to Kraken 2022-23 season. What they lacked on the first-line was more than made up for in the other three lines.