

Jaden Ivey (Purdue) 6'4" 200 CG (Film 1/22/21 vs. Michigan)

The freshmen guard seems to have the necessary physical tools to be an NBA guard. He has adequate height and length seems to be the part. He is thin but not to a fault, I believe he has a good build for any level currently. In the open court he was fast and seems to have great jumping abilities throughout the game.

On offense the biggest thing I saw was he struggled shooting. He was 0/5 from three and he is 18% on the season. He shoots 68% from the free throw line but his form looks good. I believe a lot that is wrong with his jump shot is his footwork into the shot. Until he shoots better, he will be limited as a prospect. I also question his decision making. It seemed as if most of his drives were ended with questionable decisions or him out of control. He had a couple passes that showed off his vision in the first half, so I am intrigued with his potential in that category. He was also able to draw fouls on a couple of his drives. Currently he plays the 2 but at the next level he would need to be more of a 1.

On defense he seems to be a capable defender. I did not see many things that he did wrong on that end. As a long fluid athlete, I would imagine he will be fine on that end. His rotations seemed to be fine as well. I did not see him being a problem on that end of the floor.

Jaden Ivey slightly reminded me of Ja Morant in terms of his build and movements. He is clearly not the same level of player but the way he moves does make me think of Morant. It will be tough to put Ivey on draft boards until he starts shooting the ball better. Currently at the 2, being below 30% is rough and he is at 18%.