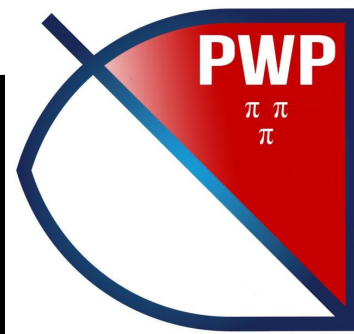


# POSSESSION WITH PURPOSE SPECIAL FOCUS ON DC UNITED

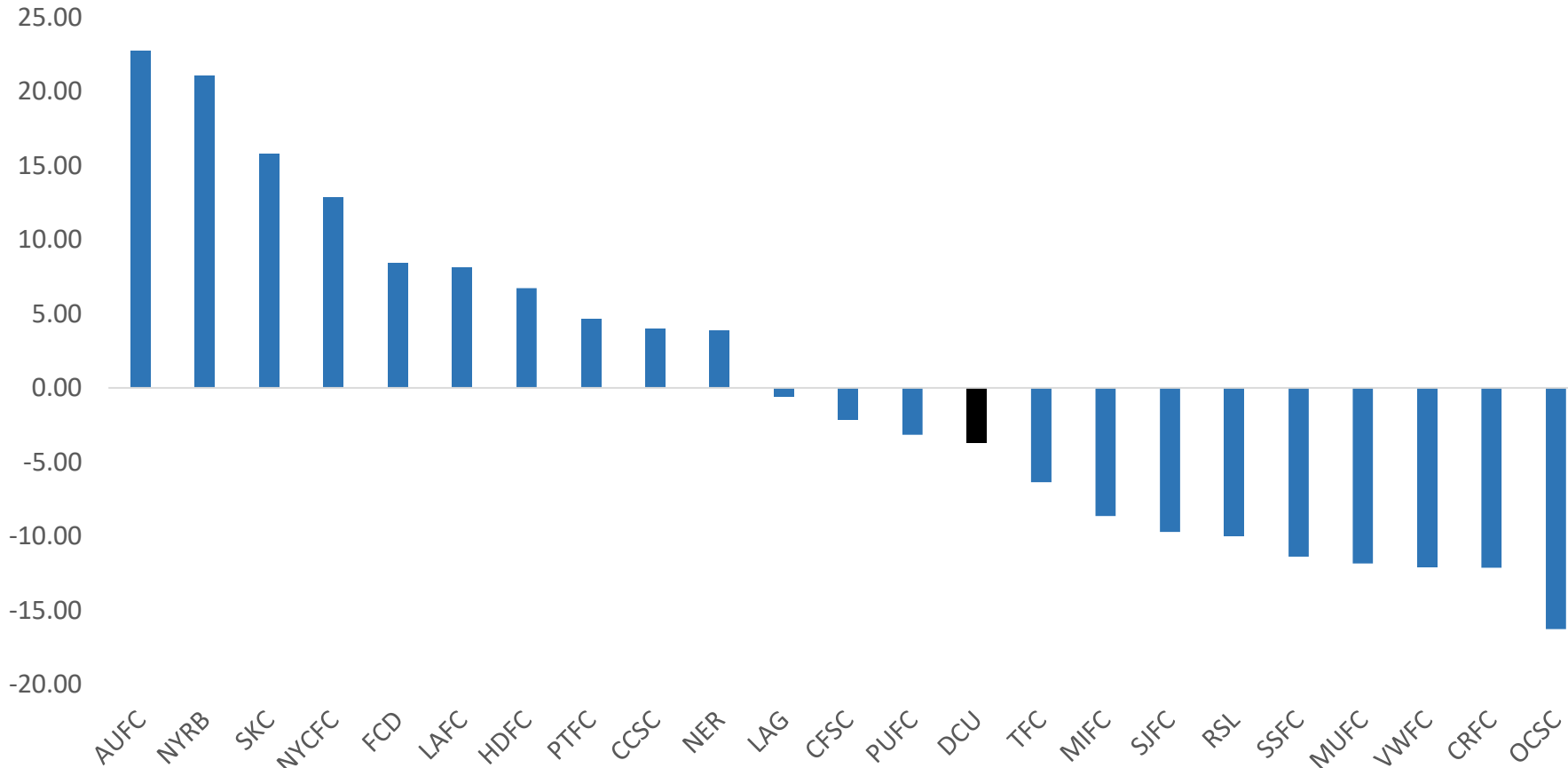
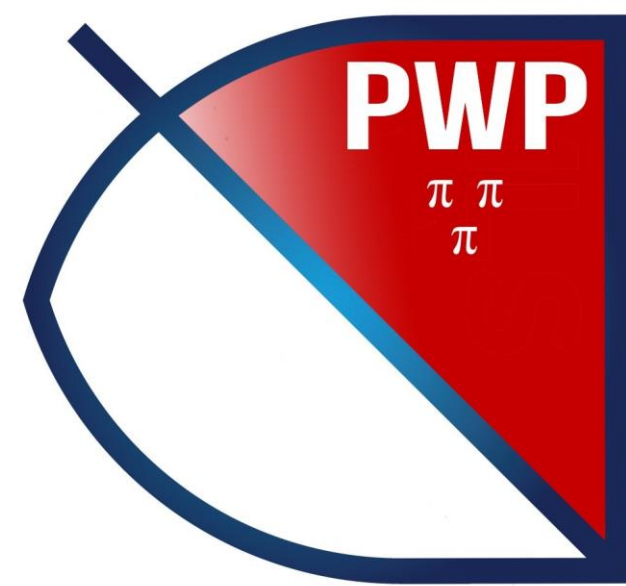
MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER  
TOTAL SOCCER INDEX

# DC UNITED

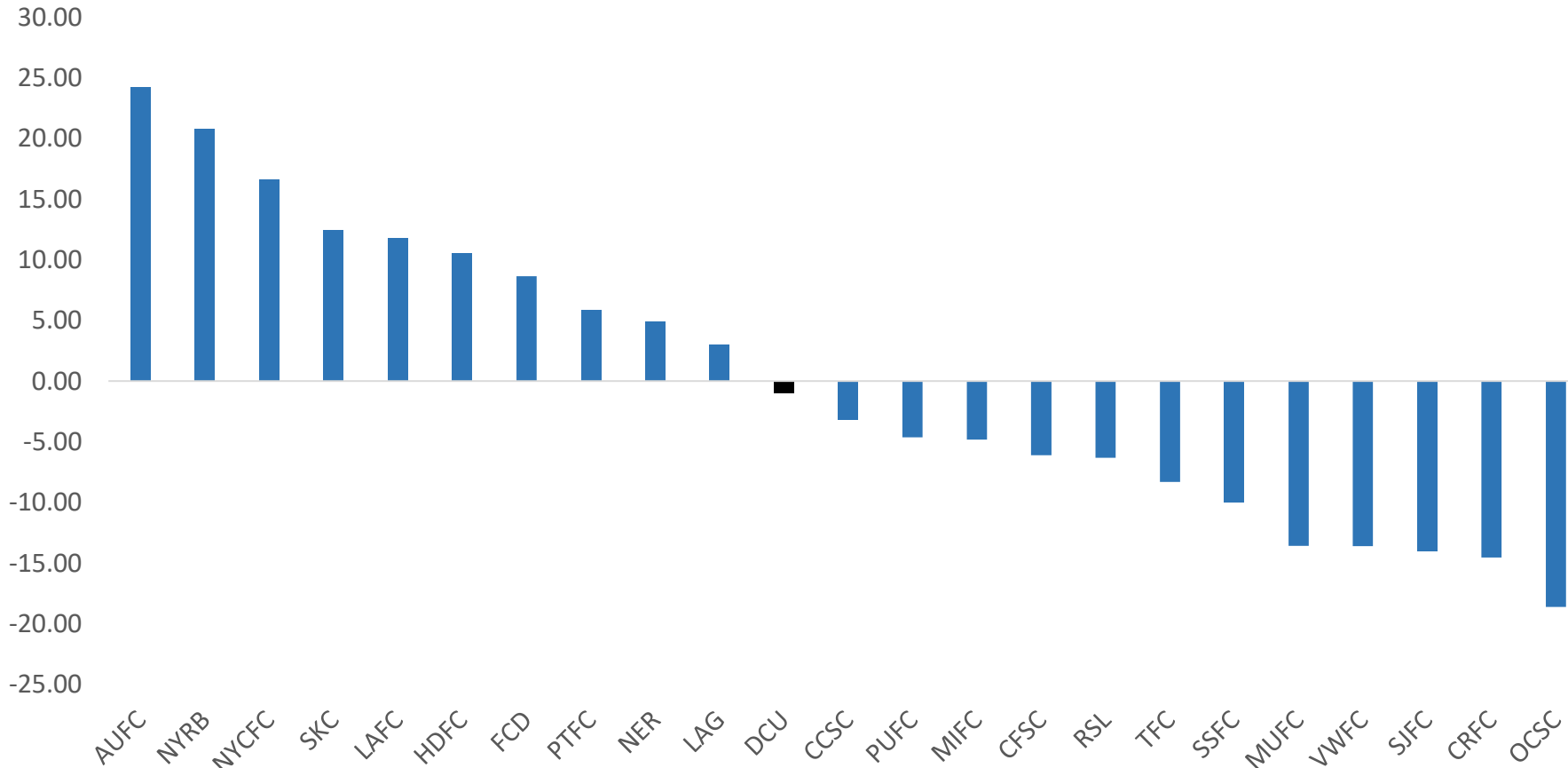
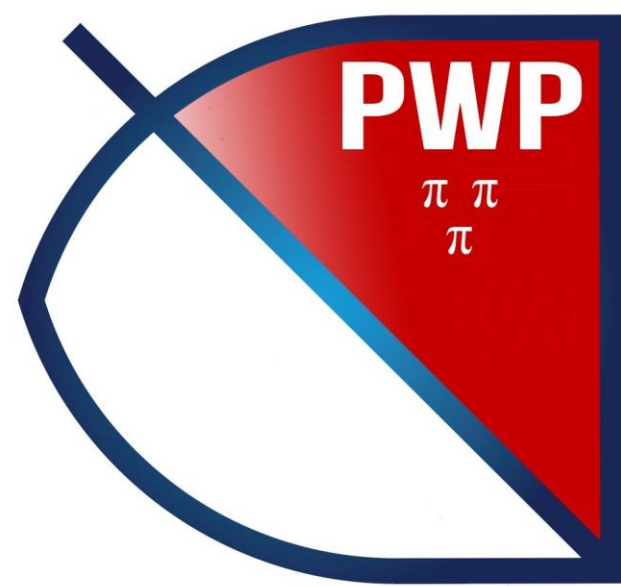


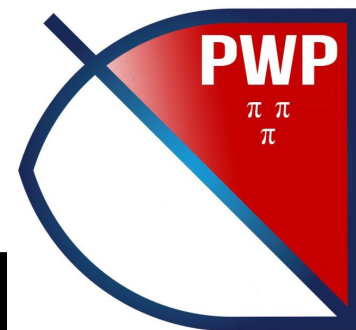
- Before announcing Wayne Rooney would be joining (Week 19?) DC United had accumulated 13 points and were 14<sup>th</sup> in the Total Soccer Index (-3.69)
  - For comparison Atlanta United sat on top at 22.70 while Orlando held up the bottom at -16.28
  - Reminder – Total Soccer Index is a composite number representing team quality and quantity relative to their opponents – the higher the index number the better.
- After announcement, and his physical presence with the team, DC United (by end of week 22) have accumulated 17 points and are 11<sup>th</sup> in the Total Soccer Index.
  - No other team has shown better progression in the Total Soccer Index within that time span.
- What follows are the numbers to show the differences.

MLS TOTAL SOCCER INDEX WEEK 19  
CORRELATION (r) TO POINTS EARNED .84  
GOAL DIFFERENTIAL (r) TO POINTS EARNED



MLS TOTAL SOCCER INDEX WEEK 22  
CORRELATION (r) TO POINTS EARNED .81  
GOAL DIFFERENTIAL (r) TO POINTS EARNED





## DC UNITED IN ATTACK AT THE END OF WEEK 19

**POSSESSION** 45%

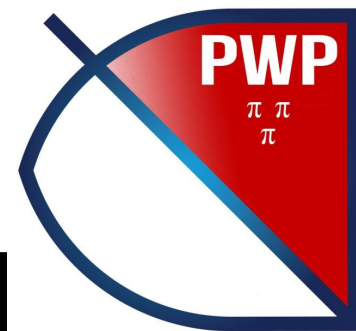
**PASSING** 78%

**PENETRATION** 20% THE 2<sup>ND</sup>  
WORST  
PERCENTAGE  
OF  
PENETRATION  
PER  
POSSESSION  
ACROSS MLS

**CREATION** 18%

**PRECISION** 40%

**FINISHING** 45% TIED FOR  
THE BEST  
FINISHING  
TEAM  
ACROSS MLS



## DC UNITED IN ATTACK WAYNE ROONEY HAS IMPROVED RESULTS

**POSSESSION** 47%

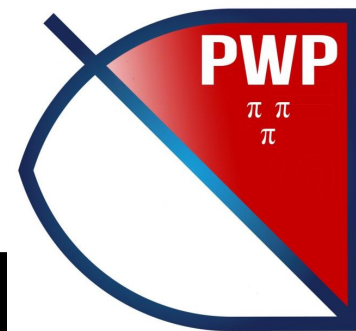
**PASSING** 79%

**PENETRATION** 20% TIED 2<sup>ND</sup>  
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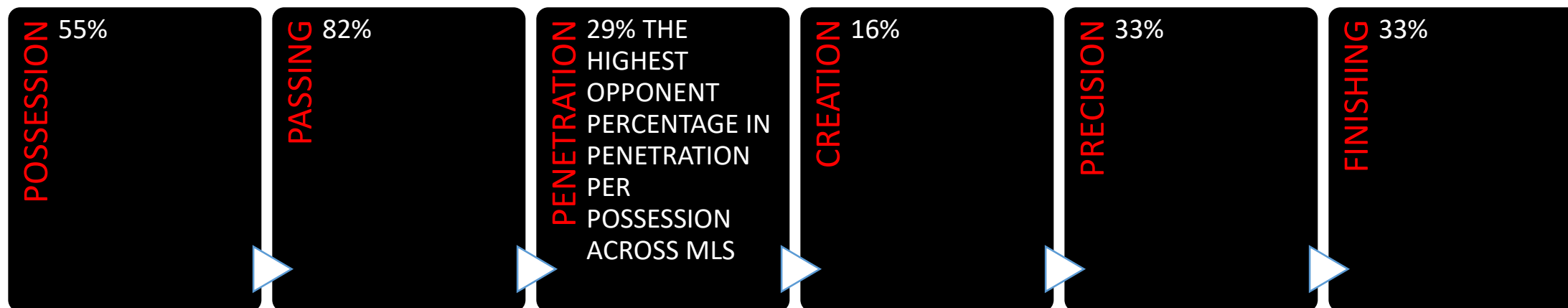
**CREATION** 18%

**PRECISION** 39%

**FINISHING** 47% THE BEST  
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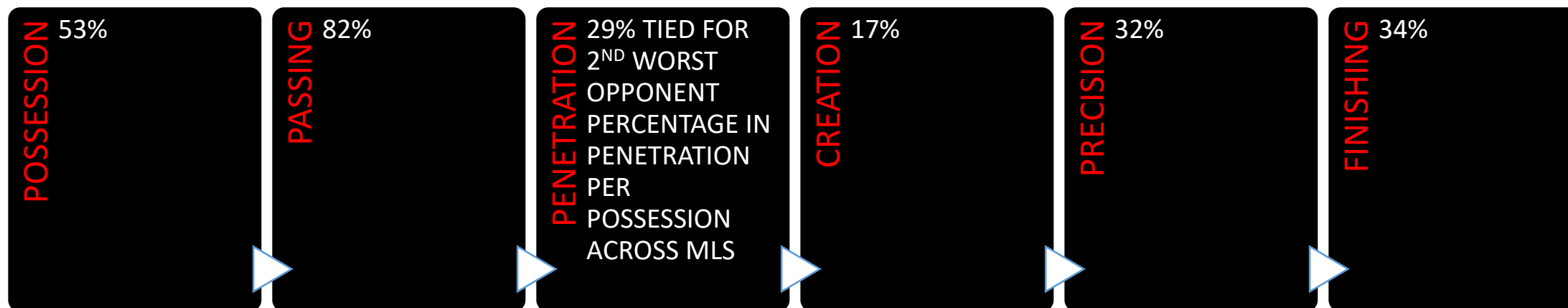


# DC UNITED IN DEFENDING THEIR OPPONENT PERCENTAGES AGAINST DC UNITED AT THE END OF WEEK 19



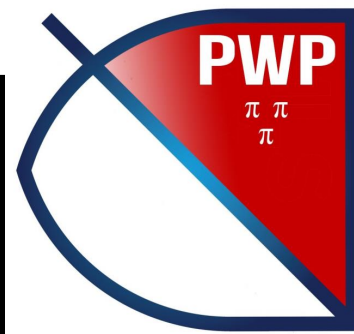


# DC UNITED IN DEFENDING THEIR OPPONENT PERCENTAGES AGAINST DC UNITED AT THE END OF WEEK 22





# DC UNITED



- DIFFERENCES IN QUALITY:
  - POSSESSION PERCENTAGE HAS INCREASED,
  - PASSING ACCURACY HAS INCREASED,
  - PENETRATION HAS REMAINED CONSTANT
  - PRECISION HAS SLIGHTLY DECREASED, BUT
  - FINISHING PERCENTAGE IS NOW THE HIGHEST IN MLS
- AS FOR THE OPPONENTS?
  - NOT MUCH CHANGE OUTSIDE OF REDUCED POSSESSION PERCENTAGES
  - MEANING WAYNE ROONEY ADDITION HAS IMPROVED THE ATTACK WHILE NOT IMPACTING DEFENDING.