

NIT Finalists and How They Fared in the Postseason

1985 Finalists

Duke	Lost to Louisville, 1986 NCAA Championship game	72-69
St. John's	Lost to Auburn, Second Round, 1986 NCAA	81-65
Kansas	Lost to Duke, 1986 NCAA Final Four	71-67
Louisville	1986 NCAA National Champions, defeated Duke	72-69

1986 Finalists

UNLV	Lost to Indiana, 1987 NCAA Final Four	97-93
Temple	Lost to LSU, Second Round, 1987 NCAA	72-62
Western Kentucky	Lost to Syracuse, Second Round, 1987 NCAA	104-86
Memphis	Failed to qualify for post season play	

1987 Finalists

Seton Hall	Lost to Arizona, Second Round, 1988 NCAA	84-55
New Mexico	Failed to qualify for post season play	
Florida	Failed to qualify for post season play	
Iowa State	Lost to Georgia Tech, First Round, 1988 NCAA	90-78

1988 Finalists

Syracuse	Lost to Illinois, Elite Eight, 1989 NCAA	89-86
Missouri	Lost to Syracuse, Sweet 16, 1989 NCAA	83-80

North Carolina	Lost to Michigan, Sweet 16, 1989 NCAA	97-92
Indiana	Failed to qualify for post season play	

1989 Finalists

Kansas	Lost to UCLA, Second Round, 1990 NCAA	71-70
St. John's	Lost to Duke, Second Round, 1990 NCAA	76-72
UNLV	1990 NCAA National Champions, defeated Duke	103-73
DePaul	Lost to Saint Louis, Third Round, 1990 NIT	54-47

1990 Finalists

Arkansas	Lost to Kansas, Elite Eight, 1991 NCAA	93-81
Arizona	Lost to Seton Hall, Elite Eight, 1991 NCAA	81-77
Duke	1991 NCAA National Champions, defeated UNLV	79-77
Notre Dame	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

1991 Finalists

Georgia Tech	Lost to Memphis, Sweet 16, 1992 NCAA	83-79 (ot)
Texas	Lost to Iowa, First Round, 1992 NCAA	98-92
Oklahoma State	Lost to Michigan, Sweet 16, 1992 NCAA	75-72
Pittsburgh	Lost to Florida, Second Round, 1992 NIT	77-74

1992 Finalists

Indiana	Lost to Kansas, Elite Eight, 1993 NCAA	83-77
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Florida State	Lost to Kentucky, Elite Eight, 1993 NCAA	106-81
Seton Hall	Lost to Western Kentucky, Sweet 16, 1993 NCAA	82-68
UCLA	Lost to Michigan, Sweet 16, 1993 NCAA	86-84 (ot)

1993 Finalists

Kansas	Lost to Purdue, Sweet 16, 1994 NCAA	83-78
Minnesota	Lost to Louisville, Second Round, 1994 NCAA	70-65
Massachusetts	Lost to Maryland, Second Round, 1994 NCAA	95-87
North Carolina	Lost to Boston College, Second Round, 1994 NCAA	76-68

1994 Finalists

New Mexico State	Lost to Virginia Tech, Third Round, 1995 NIT	64-61
Memphis	Lost to Arkansas, Sweet 16, 1995 NCAA	96-91 (ot)
Ohio	Lost to Iowa, Second Round, 1995 NIT	66-62
George Washington	Lost to Ohio, First Round, 1995 NIT	83-71

1995 Finalists

Georgia Tech	Lost to Cincinnati, Sweet 16, 1996 NCAA	87-70
Georgetown	Lost to Massachusetts, Elite Eight, 1996 NCAA	86-62
Michigan	Lost to Texas, First Round, 1996 NCAA	80-76
Arizona	Lost to Kansas, Elite Eight, 1996 NCAA	89-80

1996 Finalists

Indiana	Lost to Colorado, First Round, 1997 NCAA	86-62
Duke	Lost to Providence, Second Round, 1997 NCAA	98-87
Tulsa	Lost to Clemson, Second Round, 1997 NCAA	68-59
Evansville	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

1997 Finalists

Kansas	Lost to Rhode Island, Second Round, 1998 NCAA	86-75
Florida State	Lost to Valparaiso, Second Round, 1998 NCAA	93-77 (ot)
Connecticut	Lost to North Carolina, Elite Eight, 1998 NCAA	75-64
Arizona State	Lost to Hawai'i, First Round, 1998 NIT	90-73

1998 Finalists

North Carolina	Lost to Weber State, First Round, 1999 NCAA	76-74
Stanford	Lost to Gonzaga, Second Round, 1999 NCAA	82-74
Purdue	Lost to Temple, Sweet 16, 1999 NCAA	77-55
St. John's	Lost to Ohio State, Elite Eight, 1999 NCAA	74-73

1999 Finalists

Arizona	Lost to Wisconsin, Second Round, 2000 NCAA	66-59
Kentucky	Lost to Syracuse, Second Round, 2000 NCAA	52-50
Maryland	Lost to UCLA, Second Round, 2000 NCAA	105-70
Notre Dame	Lost to Wake Forest, 2000 NIT Championship game	71-61

2000 Finalists

Duke	2001 NCAA National Champions, defeated Arizona	82-72
Temple	Lost to Michigan State, Elite Eight, 2001 NCAA	69-62
Texas	Lost to Temple, First Round, 2001 NCAA	79-65
Indiana	Lost to Kent State, First Round, 2001 NCAA	77-73

2001 Finalists

Syracuse	Lost to Temple, 2002 NIT Consolation Game	65-64
Wake Forest	Lost to Oregon, Second Round, 2002 NCAA	92-87
Fresno State	Lost to Temple, First Round, 2002 NIT	81-75
Michigan State	Lost to NC State, First Round, 2002 NCAA	69-58

2002 Finalists

North Carolina	Lost to Georgetown, Third Round, 2003 NIT	79-74
Stanford	Lost to Connecticut, Second Round, 2002 NCAA	85-74
Florida	Lost to Michigan State, Second Round, 2002 NCAA	68-46
Kansas	Lost to Syracuse, 2002 NCAA Championship Game	81-78

2003 Finalists

Georgia Tech	Lost to Connecticut, 2004 NCAA Championship Game	82-73
Texas Tech	Lost to Saint Joseph's, Second Round, 2004 NCAA	70-65
Connecticut	2004 NCAA National Champions, defeated Georgia Tech	82-73
Utah	Lost to Boston College, First Round, 2004 NCAA	58-51

2004 Finalists

Wake Forest	Lost to West Virginia, Second Round, 2005 NCAA	111-105 (ot)
Arizona	Lost to Illinois, Elite Eight, 2005 NCAA	90-89 (ot)
Providence	Failed to qualify for postseason play	
Michigan	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

2005 Finalists

Duke	Lost to LSU, Third Round, 2006 NCAA	62-54
Memphis	Lost to UCLA, Elite Eight, 2006 NCAA	50-45
UCLA	Lost to Florida, 2006 NCAA Championship Game	73-57
Drexel	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

2006 Finalists

Butler	Lost to Florida, Sweet 16, 2007 NCAA	65-57
Gonzaga	Lost to Indiana, First Round, 2007 NCAA	70-57
North Carolina	Lost to Georgetown, Elite Eight, 2007 NCAA	96-84 (ot)
Tennessee	Lost to Ohio State, Sweet 16, 2007 NCAA	85-84

2007 Finalists

Texas A&M	Lost to UCLA, Second Round, 2008 NCAA	51-49
Ohio State	2008 Postseason NIT Champions, defeated Massachusetts	92-85
Syracuse	Lost to Massachusetts, Quarterfinals, 2008 NIT	81-77

Washington	Lost to Valparaiso, First Round, 2008 CBI	72-71
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2008 Finalists

Oklahoma	Lost to North Carolina, Elite Eight, 2009 NCAA	72-60
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Purdue	Lost to Connecticut, Sweet 16, 2009 NCAA	72-60
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Boston College	Lost to Southern California, First Round, 2009 NCAA	72-55
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UAB	Lost to Notre Dame, First Round, 2009 NIT	70-64
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2009 Finalists

Duke	2010 NCAA National Champions, defeated Butler	61-59
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Connecticut	Lost to Virginia Tech, Second Round, 2010 NIT	65-63
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Arizona State	Lost to Jacksonville, First Round, 2010 NIT	67-66
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LSU	Failed to qualify for postseason play	
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2010 Finalists

Tennessee	Lost to Michigan, First Round, 2011 NCAA	75-45
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Villanova	Lost to George Mason, First Round, 2011 NCAA	61-57
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VCU	Lost to Butler, 2011 NCAA Final Four	70-62
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UCLA	Lost to Florida, Second Round, 2011 NCAA	73-65
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2011 Finalists

Syracuse	Lost to Ohio State, Elite Eight, 2012 NCAA	77-70
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Stanford	2012 Postseason NIT Champions, defeated Minnesota	75-51
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Virginia Tech	Failed to qualify for postseason play
Oklahoma State	Failed to qualify for postseason play

2012 Finalists

Michigan	Lost to Louisville, 2013 National Championship Game	82-76
Kanas State	Lost to LaSalle, Second Round, 2013 NCAA	63-61
Pittsburg	Lost to Wichita State, Second Round, 2013 NCAA	73-55
Delaware	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

2013 Finalists

Arizona	Lost to Wisconsin, Elite Eight, 2014 NCAA	64-63
Duke	Lost to Mercer, Second Round, 2014 NCAA	78-71
Drexel	Failed to qualify for postseason play	
Alabama	Failed to qualify for postseason play	

2014 Finalists

Gonzaga	Lost to Duke, Elite Eight, 2015 NCAA	66-52
St. John's (NY)	Lost to San Diego St., Second Round, 2015 NCAA	76-64
Minnesota	Failed to qualify for postseason play	
Georgia	Lost to Michigan St., Second Round, 2015 NCAA	70-63

Bold – NIT Season Tip Off Champion