



CHRIS PADDACK

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Height: 6-5 Weight: 217 B/T: R/R Age: 28 (1/8/1996 in Austin, TX)

2024: 0-0, 4.15 ERA CAREER: 22-21, 4.21 ERA

- Making third start of season, eighth with Minnesota and 68th of career (71st appearance)...last pitched April 10 vs. Los Angeles-NL, allowing two runs on six hits (1 HR) in 4.2-inning no-decision. Has won both career starts vs. Baltimore, allowing one run in 5.1 innings both times - July 29, 2019 in San Diego and May 2, 2022 at Camden Yards. Has allowed an average exit velocity of 83.8 mph through two starts, ranking in MLB's 92nd percentile.

2024 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Table with columns: Date, Opp., Dec., IP, H, R, ER, HR, BB, SO, Left/Final, Notes, Pitches/K. Includes rows for 4/3 vs MIL, 4/10 vs LAD, and APRIL TOTALS.

2023 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY (REG. SEASON)

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SOLID SECOND START: Started series finale vs. Los Angeles-NL on April 10 at Target Field, opposite Bobby Miller...allowed two runs on six hits in 4.2 innings, exiting with a 2-2 tie and not factoring into the decision...surrendered first-inning RBI double to Teoscar Hernández and fourth-inning solo home run to Max Muncy...

- Struck out the side - James Outman, Miguel Rojas and Austin Barnes - in a 1-2-3 second inning. Generated 10 whiffs on 86 pitches (11.6%), compared to six whiffs on 82 pitches (7.3%) on April 3 at Milwaukee. 4-seam fastball topped out at 97.3 mph, on his 83rd pitch - a foul ball by Hernández.

BACK ON THE BUMP: Made season debut - and first start since May 8, 2022 - on April 3 at Milwaukee... allowed two runs on six hits in 4.0 innings with two walks and two strikeouts...yielded sacrifice fly to Brice Turang in second inning, solo home run to Rhys Hoskins in the fourth...didn't factor into decision as Minnesota staged late comeback and won 7-3...57.3 strike percentage was his lowest in a start since May 9, 2021 at San Francisco (56.6%).

BIRD-BEATER: Has won both career starts vs. Baltimore, posting a 1.69 ERA (10.2 IP, 2 ER) with three walks and eight strikeouts...first faced Orioles in San Diego on July 29, 2019, then at Camden Yards on May 2, 2022, when he earned his most recent win as a starter.

- Seven current Orioles hitters have faced Paddack, combining to hit .158 (3-for-19) with five strikeouts and no extra-base hits. Has posted a 6.00 ERA (18.0 IP, 12 ER) in four career starts vs. American League East opponents, his worst ERA vs. any division.

HOME/ROAD SPLITS: Has started one game on the road and one at home in 2024, allowing two runs on six hits in each...since joining Minnesota in 2022, has gone 0-1 with a 5.79 ERA (18.2 IP, 12 ER), .860 opponent OPS and 0.96 home runs-per-9.0-innings at Target Field, compared to 2-1 with a 2.60 ERA (17.1 IP, 5 ER), .649 OPS and 0.52 HR/9 on the road.

PLATOON SPLITS: On April 10 vs. Los Angeles-NL, right-handed hitters went 4-for-12 with a double and four strikeouts vs. Paddack, while lefties went 2-for-8 with a home run, two walks and a strikeout...through Paddack's first two starts, righties have hit .318 (7-for-22) with six strikeouts, an .875 OPS and 37.5-percent ground ball rate, while lefties have hit .385 (5-for-13) with one strikeout, a 1.053 OPS and 23.1-percent ground ball rate.

- Through April 15, Baltimore's right-handed hitters have hit .248 (63-for-254) with seven home runs and a .690 OPS, while its lefties have hit .252 (76-for-302) with 17 home runs and a .793 OPS.

THE ARSENAL: Has thrown four-pitch mix in first two outings...here's a breakdown of his repertoire thus far in 2024:

Table with columns: PITCH (AVG. MPH), PCT. (#, vs. RHB/LHB), RESULTS. Lists 4-Seam Fastball, Changeup, Curveball, and Slider with their respective percentages and results.

- 4-seamer is averaging a career-best 10.4 inches of arm-side movement. Against Dodgers, threw nine changeups to left-handed hitters but didn't generate any whiffs. Opponents have hit hit .600 and slugged 1.300 vs. changeup, compared to expected numbers of .281 and .759. Increased slider usage from 7.3 percent at Milwaukee to 25.6 percent vs. Los Angeles-NL... all nine sliders to left-handed hitters came vs. Dodgers; generated one whiff on four swings.

TOUGH LUCK?: Through two starts, opponents have hit .343 with a .943 OPS vs. Paddack, but with an expected batting average (xBA) of .278...Paddack has allowed an average exit velocity of 83.8 mph, ranking in MLB's 93rd percentile...34.5-percent hard-hit rate would be Paddack's lowest in a season since 2019 rookie campaign.

- Has faced the Brewers and Dodgers, who rank second and fourth, respectively, in team OPS through Monday, April 15.

2023 NOTES:

- Signed three-year contract extension on January 18. On 60-day Injured List from February 23 to September 24, rehabbing from Tommy John surgery in May 2022. Allowed four earned runs in 9.2 innings with 15 strikeouts in three-game rehab assignment. Returned September 24 vs. Los Angeles-AL...exited the bullpen and as he was approaching the infield dirt, umpires called for the tarp...didn't return after 50-minute rain delay. Made official return to major league mound on September 25 vs. Oakland...first major league appearance in 507 days...threw fastest pitch of career, a 99 mph four-seam fastball to Zack Gelof in the top of the sixth inning. Included on American League Wild Card Series roster but didn't appear in two-game sweep of Toronto. Made relief appearances in Games 1 and 4 of American League Division Series vs. Houston, allowing one baserunner and striking out six in 3.2 total innings...both no-decisions in Twins losses.

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP PABLO LÓPEZ (1-2, 4.86 ERA // CAREER: 40-41, 3.88 ERA)

Right-hander Pablo López is scheduled to start the series finale vs. Baltimore tomorrow afternoon at Oriole Park at Camden Yards...looking to avoid his first three-start losing streak since joining Minnesota (2023-24)...last start came April 12 in Detroit, where he allowed five runs on six hits in 4.0+ innings...was pulled after allowing four-straight baserunners to begin the bottom of the fifth...Kody Funderburk entered and allowed an RBI single that scored López's fifth run...López has made two career starts vs. Baltimore, both wins at Camden Yards; has posted a 0.82 ERA (11.0 IP, 1 ER) with three walks and 13 strikeouts in those outings.

2024 HIGHS

- CG's: -- SHO's: -- CG Low Hit: -- Innings: 4.2, 4/10 vs. LAD SO's: 5, 4/10 vs. LAD Walks: 2, 2x, last 4/10 vs. LAD Hits: 6, 2x, last 4/10 vs. LAD Home Runs: 1, 2x, last 4/10 vs. LAD Win-Streak: -- Loss-Streak: --

CAREER HIGHS

- CG's: -- SHO's: -- CG Low Hit: -- Innings: 7.2, 2x, last: 7/17/19 at MIA SO's: 11, 2x, last: 6/18/21 vs. CIN Walks: 4, 4/6/19 at STL Hits: 9, 3x, last: 7/27/21 vs. OAK Home Runs: 3, 4x, last: 5/31/21 at CHC Win-Streak: 3, 3x, last: 7/16-7/27/21 Loss-Streak: 3, 3x, last: 9/11/21-4/20/22

CAREER NOTES

- Made two relief appearances in 2023 ALDS vs. Houston, striking out six and allowing one baserunner in 3.2 innings between Games 1 and 4. In 2023, returned from second Tommy John surgery to make two September relief appearances with Minnesota. Signed three-year contract extension on January 18, 2023, keeping him in Minnesota through 2025 season. In 2022, made Minnesota's Opening Day rotation after being acquired from San Diego in April 7 trade...went 1-2 with 4.03 ERA in five starts before suffering right elbow injury and undergoing Tommy John surgery. In 2021, his third big league season, went 7-7 with 5.07 ERA...oblique and elbow injuries limited him to 108.1 innings...walk rate of 4.8% ranked in MLB's 95th percentile. Made Postseason debut in 2020 NL Wild Card Series vs. St. Louis, surrendering six earned runs on eight hits in 2.1 innings...credited with loss in Game 1. In 2020, made Opening Day start and earned win July 24 vs. Arizona...posted 4.73 ERA across 12 regular season outings...became seventh pitcher in San Diego franchise history with 200+ strikeouts in first 35 career starts. As a rookie in 2019, posted career-bests in wins (9), ERA (3.33), innings (140.2) and strikeouts (153)...named to Baseball America's Major League All-Rookie Team. Made major league debut March 31, 2019 vs. San Francisco, yielding one run on two hits and striking out seven in 5.0-inning no-decision. Entering 2019, was ranked Padres' No. 4 prospect by ESPN.com, No. 5 by MLB Pipeline and No. 6 by Baseball America. Missed entire 2017 season rehabbing from first Tommy John surgery in August of 2016. Acquired by San Diego from Miami in June 30, 2016 trade that sent Fernando Rodney to Marlins. Made professional debut with Marlins in Gulf Coast League in 2015, going 4-3 with a 2.18 ERA (45.1 IP, 11 ER) in 11 games (seven starts), walking seven and striking out 39. Selected by Miami in eighth round of 2015 First-Year Player Draft.

2024 MISC. NUMBERS

Table with columns: W, L, ERA, G/GS, IP, ER, AVG, H, AB, HR, BB, SO. Includes rows for Home, Road, Day, Night, Grass, Turf and Vs. Left/Right/TOTALS.

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

Table with columns: YEAR, STARTS, 6+ IP, QS. Includes rows for 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and TOTALS.

MORE 2024 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

Table with columns: PADDACK, BASE RUNNERS, PICK-OFFS, SB-ATT, GIDP. Shows 16 base runners, 0 pick-offs, 0-0 SB-ATT, and 2 GIDP.

2024 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

Table with columns: INNING, RUNS/HITS. Shows runs and hits per inning from 1 to 9.

PADDACK VS. BALTIMORE

- 2022 vs. Baltimore (1 start): 1-0, 1.69 ERA (5.1 IP, 1 ER), 1 BB, 3 K. 2022 vs. Baltimore at Home (0 games): --. 2022 vs. Baltimore on Road (1 start): 1-0, 1.69 ERA (5.1 IP, 1 ER), 1 BB, 3 K. Career vs. Baltimore (2 games/2 starts): 2-0, 1.69 ERA (10.2 IP, 2 ER), 3 BB, 8 K. Career vs. Baltimore at Home (1 game/1 start): 1-0, 1.69 (5.1 IP, 1 ER), 2 BB, 5 K. Career vs. Baltimore on Road (1 game/0 starts): 1-0, 1.69 ERA (5.1 IP, 1 ER), 1 BB, 3 K.

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Table comparing Paddack vs. Baltimore and Rodriguez vs. Minnesota. Includes columns for Player, AVG, AB, H, HR, BB, SO.







