



# Washington Nationals (0-0) at Chicago Cubs (0-0)

RHP Cade Cavalli (0-0, --) | LHP Matthew Boyd (0-0, --)  
Thursday, March 26, 2026 | 2:20 p.m. ET | Game #1 / Road #1  
Wrigley Field | Chicago, Ill.

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WHEN...	
Home.....	0-0
Road.....	0-0
Day.....	0-0
Night.....	0-0
Current Streak.....	0-0
Last 5 Games.....	0-0
Last 10 Games.....	0-0
March.....	0-0
April.....	0-0
May.....	0-0
June.....	0-0
July.....	0-0
August.....	0-0
September.....	0-0
Vs. LHSP.....	0-0
Vs. RHSP.....	0-0
Series Opener.....	0-0
Series Opener at Home.....	0-0
Series Opener on Road.....	0-0
By Series.....	0-0
By Home Series.....	0-0
By Road Series.....	0-0
Rubber Games.....	0-0
Sweeps/Were Swept.....	0-0
Scored First.....	0-0
Opponent Scored First.....	0-0
1-run games.....	0-0
1 or 2 run games.....	0-0
Comeback Wins.....	0-0
Last AB Wins.....	0-0
Walkoff Wins.....	0-0
Extra Innings.....	0-0
Led After 6.....	0-0
Led After 7.....	0-0
Led After 8.....	0-0
Tied After 6.....	0-0
Tied After 7.....	0-0
Tied After 8.....	0-0
Behind After 6.....	0-0
Behind After 7.....	0-0
Behind After 8.....	0-0
Division Games.....	0-0
Vs. Other Divisions.....	0-0
Vs. A.L. Teams.....	0-0
Vs. N.L. Teams.....	0-0
Vs. A.L. East.....	0-0
Vs. A.L. Central.....	0-0
Vs. A.L. West.....	0-0
Vs. N.L. East.....	0-0
Vs. N.L. Central.....	0-0
Vs. N.L. West.....	0-0
Hit 0 HR.....	0-0
Hit 1+ HR.....	0-0
Hit 2+ HR.....	0-0
Scored 3 or Fewer Runs.....	0-0
Scored 4 or More Runs.....	0-0
Scored 5 or More Runs.....	0-0
Allowed 3 or Fewer Runs.....	0-0
Allowed 4 or More Runs.....	0-0
Allowed 5 or More Runs.....	0-0
More Hits than Opponent.....	0-0
Fewer Hits than Opponent.....	0-0
Committed No Errors.....	0-0
Committed 1 or More Errors.....	0-0
Before All-star Game.....	0-0
After All-star Game.....	0-0
Starter Goes at least 5 inn.....	0-0
Starter Goes at least 6 inn.....	0-0
Starter Goes at least 7 inn.....	0-0
White Script Nationals.....	0-0
Red Curly W.....	0-0
City Connect.....	0-0
Blue.....	0-0
Road Gray.....	0-0
42.....	0-0

## NATIONALS NEWS

### HAPPY OPENING DAY!

The 2026 season - the Nationals' 22nd in the nation's capital - begins this afternoon when they face the Chicago Cubs at Wrigley Field...The Nationals are 8-13 on Opening Day, including 4-9 at home and 4-4 on the road.

- Opening Day 2026 marks the second time the Nationals (2005-pres.) have opened a season at Wrigley Field... Washington faced Chicago at Wrigley Field on April 5, 2012, a 2-1 win.
- Today's game also marks the earliest start to a season - by date - in Nationals history (2005-pres)...The previous earliest start was March 27, 2025 vs. Philadelphia.
- Catcher **Kiebert Ruiz** is 7-for-15 (.467) with two doubles, one homer, on RBI and one runs scored on Opening Day in his career (4 G, 2022-25).

### OPENING DAY ROSTER

The Nationals announced their 2026 Opening Day roster on Wednesday...Of the 26 players, 10 are participating in Opening Day for the first time in their careers, including Opening Day starter **Cade Cavalli**.

- Others on their first Opening Day roster include **Andrés Chaparro**, **Andre Granillo**, **Cole Henry**, **Brady House**, **Daylen Lile**, **Drew Millas**, **PJ Poulin**, **Jorbit Vivas** and **Joey Wiemer**.

### CADE'S DAY

**Cade Cavalli** toes the rubber for his first career Opening Day start...In doing so, he becomes the 10th different pitcher in Nationals history (2005-pres.) to start on Opening Day.

- Cavalli joins **Max Scherzer** (6x, 2015-16, 2018-21), **Stephen Strasburg** (4x, 2012-14, 2017), **Liván Hernández** (3x, 2005-06, 2011), **John Lannan** (2x, 2009-10), **Patrick Corbin** (2x, 2022-23), **MacKenzie Gore** (2025), **Josiah Gray** (2024), **Odalis Pérez** (2008) and **John Patterson** (2007) as pitchers to start on Opening Day.
- Cavalli becomes the fourth homegrown pitcher to start for the Nationals on Opening Day, joining **Stephen Strasburg**, **John Lannan** and **John Patterson**.

### REIGNING PLAYER OF THE MONTH

Outfielder **Daylen Lile** capped his rookie season in 2025 by winning both National League Player and Rookie of the Month in September of 2025...He led the National League in OPS (1.212), slugging percentage (.772), batting average (.391) and triples (7) during the month...

- On the season, Lile led MLB rookies with 11 triples and tied **Denard Span** for the most triples in a season in Nationals history (2005-pres)...Lile had a chance to break the record on Sept. 20 at New York (NL), but instead, stretched it into an 11th-inning go-ahead inside the park home run.
- He led qualified NL rookies in average (.299), slugging (.498) and OPS (.845) and ranked in on-base percentage (3rd, .347), hits (6th, 96), extra-base hits (6th, 35) and runs scored (7th, 51).

### SPRING TRAINING NOTES

The Nationals went 14-11-3 in Grapefruit League action, including a five-game winning streak from March 7-12.

- Washington's staff led Major League Baseball with a 3.12 ERA and a .191 opponents' batting average during the Spring...Their 1.20 WHIP ranked second in Major League Baseball.
- **Brady House** ranked among Grapefruit League leaders in doubles (T1st, 6) and extra-base hits (T3rd, 9)...He hit .429 (18-for-42) with a .444 on-base percentage, a .786 slugging percentage with six doubles, three homers, 11 RBI and six runs scored.
- **Nasim Núñez** recorded 12 walks, tied for the most in the Grapefruit League.

### PAUL TOBONI

**Paul Toboni** was named President of Baseball Operations on Oct. 1, 2025...Widely regarded as one of the best young executives in baseball, Toboni brings a fresh voice to the organization, providing valuable experience in scouting and player development to build around the Nationals' talented core of young star players.

- Toboni comes to the Nationals from the Boston Red Sox, where he most recently held the title of senior vice president, assistant general manager...In his time with Boston, Toboni oversaw player development at the Major and Minor League levels, as well as the MLB First-Year Player Draft and was one of the key voices in the organization's larger baseball operations strategy.

### BLAKE BUTERA

**Blake Butera** was named Washington's eighth field manager on October 31, 2025 after spending the previous two seasons as the senior director of player development for the Tampa Bay Rays...He served as the Rays' Minor League field coordinator in 2023 following four seasons (2018-19, 2021-22) as a manager in their Minor League system.

- At Single-A Charleston, Butera was named Carolina League Manager of the Year in 2021 and 2022, won the Carolina League championship both seasons and the 2022 club was named Minor League Team of the Year by *Baseball America*.
- He began his coaching career with the Rays organization in 2017 as the bench coach for Single-A Hudson Valley and was promoted to manager in 2018, becoming the youngest manager in all of Minor League Baseball at the age of 25.

## FARM REPORT

### 2026 MINOR LEAGUE SEASON

Washington's Minor League affiliates will celebrate the start of their respective seasons on the following dates:

- Triple-A Rochester - March 27 at Jacksonville (MIA)
- Double-A Harrisburg - April 2 at Altoona (PIT)
- High-A Wilmington - April 3 vs. Jersey Shore (PHI)
- Single-A Fredericksburg - April 3 vs. Augusta (ATL)

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### MLB Research Tool



**Nationals.TV**, the new destination for fans to watch local Washington Nationals games, is now available on cable and satellite television in addition to direct-to-consumer streaming through your favorite device or connected TV through the MLB App.

**Dan Kolko** is entering his first season covering play-by-play responsibilities while **Kevin Frandsen** returns for his fifth season, offering his unique insights and analysis...**Alexa Datt**, a Derwood, MD native, returns to the D.C. area for her first season on Nationals.TV as host and sideline reporter.

All local Nationals.TV games will be widely available for fans in the home television market on the following channels in the Washington, D.C. area:

- Charter/Spectrum (IP National) - Channel 425
- Charter/Spectrum (Localized STB Systems) Channel 330 *Norfolk-Portsmouth, Raleigh-Durham, Richmond Salisbury DMAs*
- Comcast/Xfinity - Channel 1261
- Cox - Channel 159
- DIRECTV - Channel 641
- Verizon Fios - Channel 579

The Nationals.TV territory covers all or parts of six states and the District of Columbia, from Harrisburg, Pa., to Charlotte, N.C., including Maryland, Delaware, Virginia and West Virginia. For more info on Nationals.TV visit [Nationals.com/Watch](https://Nationals.com/Watch).

## 2026 COACHING STAFF

A look at Washington's 2026 coaching staff:

No.	Name	Role
10	BUTERA, Blake.....	Manager
9	JOHNS, Michael.....	Bench Coach <i>*Tampa Bay's 1st base coach the last two seasons (2024-25)</i>
1	SMARSLÖK, Tyler.....	Field Coordinator <i>*Miami's first base coach, infield and baserunning coach in 2025</i>
23	RAY, Corey.....	First Base Coach <i>*Former No. 5 overall pick spent three seasons (2023-25) as a manager and coach in the Chicago Cubs Minor League system</i>
7	ESTEVEZ, Victor.....	Third Base Coach <i>*Two-time Manager of the Year Award in Milwaukee's system.</i>
62	BORGSCHULTE, Matt.....	Hitting Coach <i>*Minnesota's hitting coach in 2025 and Baltimore's co-hitting coach from 2022-24</i>
60	AYDT, Andrew.....	Assistant Hitting Coach <i>*Spent seven years (2019-25) as a coach at Driveline Baseball</i>
67	O'MALLEY, Shawn.....	Assistant Hitting Coach <i>*Spent the previous six seasons (2020-25) as a coach in Seattle's Minor League system</i>
53	MATHEWS, Simon.....	Pitching Coach <i>*Cincinnati's assistant pitching coach in 2025 after spending four seasons (2021-24) as a coach in their Minor League system</i>
63	DOOLITTLE, Sean.....	Pitching Strategist <i>*Enters his third season on Washington's staff</i>
68	GLANT, Dustin.....	Asst Pitching/Bullpen Coach <i>*Spent the last four seasons (2022-25) as the pitching coach at Indiana University</i>
88	WILSON, Bobby.....	Catching Run Game Coord. <i>*Spent five years (2021-25) with the Texas Rangers, including the 2023 World Series Champion staff</i>
83	ANDERS, Grant.....	Dev. Coach/Bullpen Catcher <i>* Comes to Washington after two seasons (2024-25) as the Baltimore Orioles Major League development coach.</i>

## OPPONENT

### CHICAGO CUBS

The Nationals and Cubs will play six times this season (3 in D.C., 3 in CHC)...**Corey Ray** spent the last three seasons as a manager and coach in Chicago's system...**Trevor Williams** was traded by Chicago to New York (NL) for **Pete Crow-Armstrong** at the 2021 Trade Deadline...Cubs reliever **Hunter Harvey** pitched for Washington from 2022-24.

### ALL-TIME RECORD

W-L / Nationals (2005-present).....	64-69
W-L / Home (2005-present).....	33-35
W-L / Nationals Park (2008-present).....	27-31
W-L / Away (2005-present).....	31-34
W-L / Franchise (Expos/Nationals).....	335-317

## SCHEDULE AND PROBABLE STARTERS

DATE	OPP.	D.C. TIME	D.C. TV	D.C. RADIO	NATIONALS STARTER	OPPONENTS STARTER
Thu., March 26	at CHC	2:20 p.m. ET	Nationals.TV	106.7 The Fan	RHP Cade Cavalli (0-0, --)	LHP Matthew Boyd (0-0, --)
• In addition to his first Opening Day start, Cade Cavalli toes the rubber at Wrigley Field and faces the Chicago Cubs for the first time.						
Fri., March 27	OFF DAY					
Sat., March 28	at CHC	2:20 p.m. ET	Nationals.TV	106.7 The Fan	RHP Miles Mikolas (0-0, --)	RHP Cade Horton (0-0, --)
• No stranger to Wrigley Field, Miles Mikolas has appeared in 14 games (12 GS) as an opponent...He is 3-5 with a 4.74 ERA in those 14 appearances.						
Sun., March 29	at CHC	2:20 p.m. ET	Nationals.TV	106.7 The Fan	RHP Jake Irvin (0-0, --)	LHP Shota Imanaga (0-0, --)
• For the third consecutive game, an alum of the University of Oklahoma will start in the series (Cavalli, Horton, Irvin).						



# #24 CADE CAVALLI

**BORN / 2026 OPENING DAY AGE** 8/14/98 Bixby, Okla. / 27  
**BATS / THROWS** Right / Right  
**MLB SERVICE / OPTIONS USED** 2.141 / 0 of 3  
**HEIGHT / WEIGHT** 6'4" / 245  
**ROUND / SCHOOL** 1st Rd., 2020 (No. 22)  
 University of Oklahoma  
**ACQUIRED** Selected in the first round (No. 22) in the 2020 First-Year Player Draft.  
**SIGNING SCOUT** Jerad Head (WSH)

# CAREER

Tall, powerful right-hander was Washington's Minor League Pitcher of the Year in 2021 and 2022...Made his Major League debut in 2022 and returned to the mound in 2025.

- 1,076 days passed between his debut on Aug. 26, 2022 vs. Cincinnati and his second career appearance on Aug. 6, 2025 vs. Athletics.
- Was ranked as high as the No. 53 prospect according to MLB Pipeline.com and the No. 61 prospect per *Baseball America* entering the 2023 season.
- Had the "Best Curveball" in Washington's system, per *Baseball America*, for two consecutive seasons (2024-25)...Had the "Best Slider" in the system in 2021 and 2022.
- Led all of Minor League Baseball with 175 strikeouts in 2021.

## TODAY'S START

Cavalli toes the rubber for his first career Opening Day start, his first start at Wrigley Field and his first career start against the Chicago Cubs.

- In doing so, he becomes the 10th different pitcher in Nationals history (2005-pres.) to start on Opening Day...See front page for additional Opening Day starter notes.

## LAST START

Cavalli last pitched on Saturday, March 21 against the New York Mets...He tossed 5.0 innings of three-hit, shutout ball with one strikeout and zero walks.

- He did not allow an earned run in four Grapefruit League games (14.0 IP) with 10 strikeouts, two walks and a .087 opponents average (4-for-46)...He made one start (3/16 vs. MIA) in a Minor League game on Field 2.

## 2025

Returned to the Major Leagues after missing all of 2023 and 2024 recovering from Tommy John surgery.

- Made his return on Aug. 6 against the Athletics...Worked 4.1 scoreless innings with six strikeouts.
- In his third start, Cavalli worked 7.0 scoreless innings with five strikeouts against the Philadelphia Phillies on Aug. 16 for his first Major League win.
- Allowed three earned runs or less in eight of his 10 starts.
- Collected all three of his wins against National League East opponents (Miami twice, Philadelphia).
- Went 3-0 with a 2.25 ERA (7 ER/28.0 IP) with 19 strikeouts in five starts against the NL East...The Nationals went 5-0 in those starts.
- 2025 Pitch Mix:** 4-Seam (31.2%) Knuckle-Curve (30.5%) Sinker (18.3%) Change-up (13.6%) Cutter (6.3%) Slider (0.1%)

## 2023-24

Spent the 2024 season rehabbing from 2023 Tommy John surgery...Underwent the surgery in Spring Training 2023.

- Appeared in three rehab outings with the FCL Nationals and Single-A Wilmington in 2024.
- Returned to throwing/playing catch by the end of the 2023 season.

## 2022

Was named Washington's Minor League Pitcher of the Year for the second consecutive season...Eventually made his Major League debut on Aug. 26 vs. Cincinnati.

- Allowed just three home runs, and his 0.28 home runs allowed per 9.0 innings ranked eighth among Minor League pitchers (min. 75.0 IP).
- Ranked eighth in Washington's system with 104 strikeouts.
- Was selected to represent the Nationals in the 2022 SiriusXM All-Star Futures Game, but did not participate.
- Struck out Kyle Farmer for his first MLB strikeout...Was placed on the Injured List following that start (right shoulder inflammation).
- From May 22 to July 27, went 3-0 with a 1.89 ERA (10 ER/47.2 IP) and a .179 opponents average in nine starts.
- 2022 Pitch Mix:** Four-Seam (40.4%) Curveball (33.3%) Changeup (13.1%) Slider (11.1%) Sinker (2%).

## 2021

Led all of Minor League Baseball with 175 strikeouts, while his 3.36 ERA paced Washington's system...Selected to his first SiriusXM All-Star Futures Game.

- Allowed just five home runs, and his 0.36 home runs allowed per 9.0 innings led all of Minor League Baseball (full-season).
- Led full-season Nationals Minor Leaguers with a .213 opponents' batting average while his 1.26 walk and hits per innings pitched ranked third.

## PERSONAL

Steven Cade Cavalli...Graduated from Bixby High School in Bixby, Oklahoma...Attended the University of Oklahoma.

- Went 1-2 with a 4.18 ERA (11 ER/23.2 IP) and 37 strikeouts against just five walks in four starts for the Sooners prior to the cancellation of the 2020 season
- Was named to the 2020 Golden Spikes Award (top amateur player) preseason watch list.

## CUBS HITTERS VS. CAVALLI

Player	2026														CAREER										
	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	2B	3B	SO	BB	IBB	AVG	OBP	SLG	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	2B	3B	SO	BB	IBB	AVG	OBP
No Cubs players have faced Cade Cavalli																									

## SPLITS

Split	2026										CAREER														
	IP	H	R	ER	K	BB	HR	ERA	P		IP	H	R	ER	K	BB	HR	ERA	P						
vs. CHC	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Home	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29.2	30	18	14	31	9	1	4.25	491						
Away	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23.1	33	17	16	15	8	6	6.17	396						
Day	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19.1	23	11	10	14	6	4	4.66	309						
Night	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33.2	40	24	20	32	11	3	5.35	578						
vs Left	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32.1	26	-	-	29	8	4	-	472						
vs Right	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20.0	37	-	-	17	9	3	-	417						

## CAREER

Career Record	3-2, 5.09 ERA, 11 G / 11 GS
Innings	7.0 IP, 8/16/25 vs. PHI
Strikeouts	6, 4x, Last: 9/26/25 vs. CWS
Complete Games	
Shutouts	
Pitches	99, 8/26/22 vs. CIN
Hits	8, 8/27/25 at NYY
Earned Runs	7, 2x, Last: 8/27/25 at NYY
Home Runs	4, 8/27/25 at NYY

## ARSENAL - 2026

PITCH	USAGE	MPH	PITCHES	SO	OPS	AVG	HR	STRIKE%	ZONE%	WHIFF%

## ARSENAL - LAST TIME OUT

PITCH	USAGE	MPH	PITCHES	SO	OPS	AVG	HR	STRIKE%	ZONE%	WHIFF%

## ARSENAL - 2026 vs. LEFT

PITCH	USAGE	MPH	PITCHES	SO	OPS	AVG	HR	STRIKE%	ZONE%	WHIFF%

## ARSENAL - vs. RIGHT

PITCH	USAGE	MPH	PITCHES	SO	OPS	AVG	HR	STRIKE%	ZONE%	WHIFF%

## GAME LOGS

Date	Opp.	Res.	W	L	ERA	GS	CG	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	HB	SO	AVG	RS	#Pit	NOTES
3/26	at CHC																		
<b>Totals</b>			<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>ERA</b>	<b>GS</b>	<b>CG</b>	<b>INN</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>ER</b>	<b>HR</b>	<b>BB</b>	<b>HB</b>	<b>SO</b>	<b>AVG</b>	<b>RS</b>	<b>#PIT</b>	
			<b>WIN%</b>	<b>WHIP</b>	<b>QS</b>	<b>SHO</b>	<b>BFP</b>	<b>AB</b>	<b>H/9</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>HR/9</b>	<b>BB/9</b>	<b>SO/9</b>	<b>OBP</b>	<b>RSA</b>	<b>#P/IP</b>		
			<b>Team Rec</b>	<b>SH</b>	<b>SB</b>	<b>CS</b>	<b>PKO</b>	<b>GIDP</b>	<b>SO/BB</b>	<b>SLG</b>	<b>OPS</b>	<b>BABIP</b>							



# HITTERS NOTES

**#5 ABRAMS, CJ (L) - SS - Age: 25 - Born: Atlanta, Ga.**

**Drafted by San Diego (1st rd./2019) - Blessed Trinity (Ga.) High School**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*The No. 6 overall pick in the 2019 First-Year Player Draft has emerged as one of the top young players in Major League Baseball, earning his first National League All-Star selection in 2024*

- Ranks sixth in Major League Baseball with 109 stolen bases since the start of 2023.
- 490 career hits entering 2026 rank seventh among players born after January 1, 2000.
- Is one of two players (Turner) in WSH history (2005–pres.) with multiple seasons of 50 XBH/25 SB.
- Is one of two players in Nationals history (Soriano) to record a 20 HR/30 SB season.
- Enters 2026 ranked second in Nationals history with 12 career leadoff home runs.
- Is one of two players since 1900 (Derek Jeter) to hit two leadoff home runs off pitchers making their MLB debut...Entering 2026, no player has ever hit three.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 9/26/25 vs. CWS (Gómez) **CAREER HR:** 59

**#87 CHAPARRO, Andrés - INF - Age: 26**

**Born: El Vigía, VEN - Signed by New York Yankees (7/2/2015)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Corner infielder and designated hitter made his Major League debut in 2024 after eight Minor League seasons with Arizona (2024) and New York (2016-23).*

- Reaching safely in 21 of his last 22 games and hitting safely in 19 of the 22 with Rochester in 2025... Had 20-game on-base streak and an 11-game hitting streak during this stretch.
- Was acquired by Washington at the Trade Deadline in 2024...Had his contract selected on Aug. 13 and made his debut that night at Baltimore.
- Ranked among all Minor Leaguers in hits (1st, 132), RBI (3rd, 85), extra-base hits (5th, 51), OPS (6th, .997) and slugging percentage (8th, .572) at the time he was selected.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 8/27/25 at NYY (Blackburn) **CAREER HR:** 5

**#2 GARCÍA Jr., Luis (L) - 2B - Age: 25**

**Born: New York, N.Y. - Signed by Washington (7/2/2016)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Left-handed hitting infielder enters 2026 ranked second among second basemen in Nationals history (2005-pres.) with 58 career home runs, 118 doubles and 269 RBI*

- Ranked among qualified NL second basemen in extra-base hits (3rd, 45), doubles (T4th, 28), homers (T3rd, 16), slugging (4th, .412) & RBI (T5th, 66) last season
- Led qualified Nationals with a .296 average with runners in scoring position in 2025.
- Started two games at first base for the first time in his professional career last season...Finished with a 1.000 fielding percentage in those two games 16-for-16 in total chances.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 9/26/25 vs. CWS (Leasure) **CAREER HR:** 58

**#55 HOUSE, Brady - 3B - Age: 22 - Born: Winder, GA**

**Drafted by Washington (1st rd./2021) - Winder-Barrow High School**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Tall, powerful right-handed hitting third baseman made his Major League debut in 2025.*

- Made MLB debut on June 16, 2025 vs. Colorado...Recorded first MLB hit and multi-hit game on June 17 vs. Colorado (2-4, RBI, BB).
- Hit his first MLB home run as a part of a two-homer game on July 12, 2025 at Milwaukee...First homer came off Brandon Woodruff in the fourth inning and second was a go-ahead home run off Abner Uribe in the eighth inning.
- Ranked 4th among MLB third baseman with an 88.7 MPH average throw to first base last year.
- At the time of his call-up in June of 2025, led Washington's system in home runs (13), RBI (41), slugging (.519), OPS (.872), hits (79), extra-base hit (29) and runs (42) prior to his call-up.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 9/12/25 vs. PIT (Keller) **CAREER HR:** 4

**#4 LILE, Daylen (L) - OF - Age: 23 Born: Louisville, Ky.**

**Drafted by Washington (2nd rd./2021) - Trinity High School (Ky.)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Former second-round pick graduated to impactful MLB outfielder during his 2025 rookie campaign.*

- Led all MLB rookies with 11 triples...Paced National League rookies in average (.299), slugging (.498) and OPS (.845) and ranked in ranked in on-base percentage (3rd, .347), hits (6th, 96), extra-base hits (6th, 8) and runs scored (7th, 51).
- Named National League Player and Rookie of the Month for the month of September...He hit .391 with a .440 on-base percentage and a .772 slugging percentage in 25 games...Hit safely in 21 of the 25 games and reached safely in 16 straight from Aug. 31 to Sept. 16.
- Enters the 2026 season with 36 career triples between MLB and MiLB since 2023.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HOMER:** 9/27/25 vs. CWS (Burke) **CAREER HOMERS:** 9

**#14 MILLAS, Drew - C - Age: 27 - Born: St. Louis, MO**

**Drafted by Athletics (7th rd./2019) - Missouri State University**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Switch-hitting catcher was acquired by the Nationals at the 2021 Trade Deadline in the deal that sent Yan Gomes and Josh Harrison to Oakland.*

- Hit .306 (15-for-49), five doubles, a triple, seven RBI, four walks, two stolen bases and six runs in 18 games for the Nationals in 2025
- Placed on 10-day Injured List with a fractured/dislocated left 2nd finger on August 29, 2025.
- Hit go-ahead 11th-inn. double to propel Washigton to 7-4 win on June 29, 2025 at LAA.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 6/21/24 at COL (Hudson) **CAREER HR:** 2

**#26 NUÑEZ, Nasim (S) - INF - Age: 25 - Born: Bronx, N.Y.**

**Drafted by Miami (2nd rd./2019) - Collins Hill (GA) High School**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Washington's first round pick in the 2023 Rule 5 Draft...Spent the entire 2024 season on the Nationals active roster... Led Washington's organization with 36 stolen bases in 2025.*

- Enjoyed two MLB stints in his second big league season in 2025.
- Went 7-for-17 (.412) with 2 HR, 3 RBI, 2 BB, a SB and 5 runs in the final 6 games of the season.
- Hit his first and second career home runs on Sept. 3, 2025 vs. Miami (3-for-4, 2 HR, 4 RBI, 2 R).
- Hit his first career leadoff home run on Sept. 22, 2025 at Atlanta.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 9/21/25 at NYM (Manaea) **CAREER HR:** 3

**#20 RUIZ, Keibert (S) - C - Age: 27 - Born: Valencia, VEN.**

**Signed by Los Angeles Dodgers (7/20/2014)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*A switch-hitting catcher, Ruiz enters 2026 with 42 home runs with the Nationals, second-most among catchers in Nationals history (2005-pres.) behind Wilson Ramos (83 from 2010-16).*

- Ranks fifth in Major League Baseball with a 10.7% strikeout rate over the last five Major League seasons (2021-25).
- Is the only catcher in Nationals history to ever steal third base (has done it four times)...Was the only catcher in Major League Baseball to steal third more than once in 2024.
- Led Major League Baseball with 15 catcher caught stealings prior to being placed on the Injured List on June 24 in 2025.
- Became the first catcher in Nationals history (2005-pres.) to homer on Opening Day last season.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 3/29/25 vs. PHI (Luzardo) **CAREER HR:** 44

**#8 TENA, José (L) - INF - Age: 24**

**Born: Azua, DOM - Signed by Cleveland (7/2/2017)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Versatile infielder that impressed with his bat after coming over in a trade from Cleveland at the 2024 trade deadline.*

- Made 2025 Opening Day roster for the first time in his career.
- Enjoyed two Major League stints with Washington last season.
- Reached safely in a career-high 15 straight games from May 14-June 3, hitting .300 (15-for-50), eight doubles, a triple, six RBI, eight walks and 12 runs scored.
- He hit .287 with 13 doubles, a triple, five home runs, 24 RBI, 30 walks, 21 stolen bases and 27 runs scored in 52 games for Rochester.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 9/14/24 vs. MIA (Bellozo) **CAREER HR:** 3

**#84 VIVAS, Jorbit (L) - INF - Age: 25**

**Born: Puerto Cabello, VEN - Signed by Los Angeles (NL) (7/4/17)**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Versatile infielder acquired four days before the season began.*

- Made his Major League debut on May 2, 2025 vs. TB starting at 2B (0-for-1, 1R, 2BB).
- Recorded his 1st career hit, a two-run single in the eighth inning on May 4, 2025 vs. TB.
- Hit his first Major League HR, a fifth-inning solo HR in the Yankees' 1-0 win on May 22, 2025 vs. TEX
- Spent the majority of the season at Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, hitting .270 (101-for-374) with 21 doubles, a triple, 4 HR, 43 RBI and 12 SB in 100 games.
- Ranked among qualified Yankees farmhands in OBP (8th, .389) and was tied for eighth in walks.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HR:** 5/22/25 vs. TEX (Eovaldi) **CAREER HR:** 1

**#21 WIEMER, Joey - OF - Age: 27 Born: Sylvania, Ohio**

**Drafted by Milwaukee (4th rd./2020) - University of Cincinnati**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Versatile outfielder is in his first season in D.C. after being claimed off waivers on Jan. 5.*

- Opened the 2025 campaign with Kansas City before being claimed by Miami on Aug. 4...Reported to Triple-A Jacksonville, slashing .364/.488/.697 (12-for-33) in 10 games before being recalled to Miami on Aug. 17.
- Hit .236 (13-for-55) with with two doubles, three homers, 12 RBI, two walks and seven runs scored in 27 games for Miami.
- Was named International League Player of the Week (Aug. 10), going 5-for-19 with three doubles, one RBI and three walks.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HOMER:** 9/12/25 vs. DET (Paddack) **CAREER HOMERS:** 16

**#29 WOOD, James (L) - OF - Age: 23 - Born: Rockville, Md.**

**Drafted by San Diego (2nd rd./2021) - IMG Academy**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Tall, powerful left-handed hitting outfielder made his Major League debut in 2024 and is one of the premier young stars in Major League Baseball.*

- Represented the Nationals at the 2025 All-Star Game and Home Run Derby...Voted Nationals 2025 Player of the Year by the D.C. Media...Louisville Slugger Silver Slugger Award finalist.
- In 2025, he was 1 of 11 players with 30 home runs and 15 stolen bases in MLB...Also 1 of 3 players with 30 HR, 35 doubles and 15 stolen bases, joining **Pete Crow-Armstrong** and **Francisco Lindor**.
- Became the second player in Nationals history (2005-pres.) to hit at least 30 homers and steal at least 15 bases with Alfonso Soriano in 2006..
- Finished tied for first in MLB with 84 batted balls over 108 MPH along with **Aaron Judge**...Was tied for fourth in MLB with 15 home runs hit harder than 110 MPH behind Judge (22), **Shohei Ohtani** (21), **Kyle Schwarber** (19) and **Pete Alonso** (15).
- Grew up in Olney, Md., and attended St John's College High School in D.C. before transferring to IMG Academy in Bradenton, Florida prior to his junior season.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HOMER:** 9/27/25 vs. CWS (Eisert) **CAREER HOMERS:** 40

**#30 YOUNG, Jacob - OF - Age: 26 - Born: Ponte Vedra, Fla.**

**Drafted by Washington (7th rd./2021) - University of Florida**

YEAR	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS
2026	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—	—	—

**LAST GAME:** **ROAD TRIP:**

*Arguably the best defensive center fielder in Major League Baseball was named Rawlings Gold Glove Award finalist in 2024 and 2025.*

- Ranks second among Major League outfielders in outs above average (34) and runs prevented (31) since the start of the 2024 season, per Baseball Savant.
- Led National League center fielders and was one of only three players in all of Major League Baseball with a 1.000 fielding percentage in 2025.
- Earned MLB Play of the Week three times for his leaping wall catch on July 2 vs. Detroit, his home run robbing catch on July 23 vs. Cincinnati and his kick-catch at New York (NL) on Sept. 21.
- Was successful on his first 25 stolen base attempts to begin his career before being caught on May 1, 2024 at Texas, tied for the fourth-longest streak to begin a career in MLB history.

**RISP:** — (0-0) 0 HR, 0 RBI **LAST HOMER:** 9/27/25 vs. CWS (Wilson) **CAREER HOMERS:** 5



**INJURED LIST**

PLAYER	INJURY	7/10/15/60 IL	PLACED / RETRO	REINSTATED	GAMES
Josiah Gray	Right Flexor Strain	60	March 23		
Paxton Schultz	Right Elbow Inflammation	15	March 23 / March 22		
DJ Herz	Left UCL Reconstruction	60	Feb. 11		
Trevor Williams	Right UCL Reconstruction	60	Feb. 10		

**HIGHS AND LOWS**

<b>TEAM BATTING</b>
<b>INDIVIDUAL BATTING</b>
<b>TEAM PITCHING</b>
<b>INDIVIDUAL PITCHING</b>
<b>MISCELLANEOUS TEAM</b>

**DAY BY DAY**

DATE	OPP.	RES	REC	POS/GA-B	WIN	LOSS	SAVE	TOG/ATT.
3/26	at CHC							
3/27	OFF DAY							
3/28	at CHC							
3/29	at CHC							
3/30	at PHI							
3/31	at PHI							
4/1	at PHI							
4/2	OFF DAY							
4/3	LAD							
4/4	LAD							
4/5	LAD							
4/6	STL							
4/7	STL							
4/8	STL							
4/9	OFF DAY							
4/10	at MIL							
4/11	at MIL							
4/12	at MIL							
4/13	at PIT							
4/14	at PIT							
4/15	at PIT							
4/16	at PIT							
4/17	SF							
4/18	SF							
4/19	SF							
4/20	ATL							
4/21	ATL							
4/22	ATL							
4/23	ATL							
4/24	at CWS							
4/25	at CWS							
4/26	at CWS							
4/27	OFF DAY							
4/28	at NYM							
4/29	at NYM							
4/30	at NYM							
5/1	MIL							
5/2	MIL							
5/3	MIL							
5/4	OFF DAY							
5/5	MIN							
5/6	MIN							
5/7	MIN							
5/8	at MIA							
5/9	at MIA							
5/10	at MIA							
5/11	OFF DAY							
5/12	at CIN							
5/13	at CIN							
5/14	at CIN							
5/15	BAL							
5/16	BAL							
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5/18	NYM							
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5/21	NYM							
5/22	at ATL							
5/23	at ATL							
5/24	at ATL							
5/25	at CLE							
5/26	at CLE							
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5/30	SD							
5/31	SD							
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6/2	MIA							
6/3	MIA							
6/4	OFF DAY							
6/5	at AZ							
6/6	at AZ							
6/7	at SF							
6/8	at SF							
6/9	at SF							
6/10	at SF							
6/11	OFF DAY							
6/12	SEA							
6/13	SEA							
6/14	SEA							
6/15	KC							
6/16	KC							
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6/18	OFF DAY							
6/19	at TB							
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6/30	at BOS							
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7/11	NYN							
7/12	NYN							
7/13-16	ALL-STAR BREAK							
7/17	at ATH							
7/18	at ATH							
7/19	at ATH							
7/20	at COL							
7/21	at COL							
7/22	at COL							
7/23	OFF DAY							
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9/20	at STL							
9/21	at DET							
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9/23	at DET							
9/24	OFF DAY							
9/25	NYM							
9/26	NYM							
9/27	NYM							