

TONIGHT’S STARTERS: RHP SETH LUGO (5-7, 4.71) vs. RHP MAX SCHERZER (1-6, 7.40)

#67 SETH LUGO RHP BORN: 11/17/89 IN SHREVEPORT, LA.															
YR	TM	W	L	ERA	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	WHIP	AVG
16	NYM	5	2	2.67	17	8	64.0	49	19	19	7	21	45	1.09	.220
17	NYM	7	5	4.71	19	18	101.1	114	57	53	13	25	85	1.37	.284
18	NYM	3	4	2.66	54	5	101.1	81	36	30	9	28	103	1.08	.217
19	NYM	7	4	2.70	61	0	80.0	56	28	24	8	16	104	0.90	.192
20	NYM	3	4	5.15	16	7	36.2	40	22	21	8	10	47	1.36	.274
21	NYM	4	3	3.50	46	0	46.1	41	18	18	6	19	55	1.29	.237
22	NYM	3	2	3.60	62	0	65.0	58	26	26	9	18	69	1.17	.233
23	SD	8	7	3.57	26	26	146.1	140	62	58	19	36	140	1.20	.249
24	KC	16	9	3.00	33	33	206.2	177	75	69	16	48	181	1.09	.229
25	KC	8	7	4.15	26	26	145.1	133	70	67	27	55	125	1.29	.244
26	KC	5	7	4.71	26	26	145.1	155	84	76	16	46	111	1.38	.278
CAREER	69	54	3.64	386	149	1138.1	1044	497	461	138	322	1065	1.20	.243	

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS													
+ 11-year MLB veteran with NYM, SD & KC							+ Uses 9 pitches in 2026 (<i>Baseball Savant</i>)						
+ 48 QS since 2024 rank 3rd in AL							+ Ranked 6th in AL w/ 3.00 ERA in 2024						
+ 2024 AL All-Star & Gold Glove winner							+ Ranked 2nd in MLB w/ 206.2 IP in 2024						
+ 2024 AL Cy Young Award runner-up							+ Represented Puerto Rico in 2026 WBC						

SETH LUGO is making his 150th career start (387th outing) tonight vs. the Blue Jays in Toronto...he's in his 11th Major League season and third with Kansas City, after spending seven seasons with the Mets (2016-22) and one with the Padres (2023).

- + Originally signed a two-year contract with the Royals in December 2023, but in July 2025, he signed a two-year extension through 2027, with a vesting option for 2028.
- + Missed one turn in the rotation while on the Concussion Injured List from June 12-19.

LAST TIME OUT: Seth did not factor into the decision last Wednesday night vs. the Athletics at Kauffman Stadium, where he allowed 5 runs on 9 hits in 6.0 innings of an eventual 9-7 victory...he allowed 3 straight hits to begin the 1st inning, including an RBI double by **Jeff McNeil** and an RBI single off the bat of **Zack Gelof**, after which he retired 9 consecutive hitters through the 3rd inning...faced the minimum in the 4th, but allowed 3 runs in the 5th on a pair of RBI singles and a fielder's choice...Lugo returned to toss a 1-2-3 6th and was lifted for **Alex Lange** prior to the start of the 7th, with the Royals trailing 5-2...Kansas City rallied for 7 runs in the 8th inning, thanks to RBI singles from **Vinnie Pasquantino**, **Kyle Isbel** and **Maiikel Garcia**, a sac. fly from **Isaac Collins** and a bases-clearing double from **John Rave**, which sealed the comeback win.

- + Didn't issue a walk for the sixth time this year—and 2nd straight—and he's walked 1 batter in his last 3 starts, following a 6-game stretch in which he had 15 walks... this is the fourth time in his career he has not allowed a walk in consecutive starts, with his longest streak coming from Sept. 25 (G2), 2017-June 10, 2018 (4 straight).
- + Needed 36 pitches in the 5th inning, tied for his most in any single frame this year.
- + Picked off **Lawrence Butler** at first base in the 4th inning, his 3rd pickoff this season.

A STRANGE AUGUST: Over 4 starts this month, Lugo has pitched to a 7.48 ERA (18 ER in 21.2 IP), more than 3 runs higher than his 4.32 ERA (16 ER in 33.1 IP) in 6 July starts...he's yielded 5 runs in 3 of his 4 starts this month, despite showing improvements in his walks and home runs allowed since the start of the season.

- + The Royals, have scored 22 runs in his last 3 starts since Aug. 8 vs. the Cubs, and have won each of those games, despite Lugo's unsightly 7.02 ERA in that stretch.

CONSISTENCY IS KEY: Lugo's 14 quality starts are tied for the 5th most in the American League this season, just 3 behind leader **Michael Wacha**...since joining the Royals in 2024, he's recorded a quality start in 48 of his 85 outings (56.5%)...over that span, 53 different pitchers have started at least 70 games, and his 56.5% rate of quality starts ranks 11th among that group, trailing leader Philadelphia's **Zack Wheeler** (69.2%).

- + His 48 overall quality starts since 2024 rank 6th in the Majors and 3rd in the AL.
- + Lugo's 29 wins as a Royal are tied for the 9th most in the American League since the start of 2024, trailing leaders **Carlos Rodón** and **Tarik Skubal** (38 each).
- + His 497.1 innings pitched since 2024 are the 5th most in the AL (9th in MLB).

THE BEST OFFENSE IS A GOOD DEFENSE: Seth has benefited from the Royals impressive defense this season, which ranks 6th in the Majors with 16 Outs Above Average (per *Baseball Savant*), including 27 OAA from the infield alone, which leads all American League infield defenses...it's for this reason that he's successfully induced 17 double plays in 26 starts this year, 3 behind **Braxton Ashcraft** for the MLB lead... since joining the Royals in 2024, his 44 double plays induced rank T-6th in the Majors.

- + On July 28 in Minnesota, he became the first Royal to induce at least 4 groundball double plays in a game since **Jason Vargas** (4) on June 2, 2017 vs. Cleveland...it was the 22nd such instance in club history, and he was the 17th different player to do so.
- + He's recorded 6 pickoffs since the start of last season, after not having any pickoffs over the first nine years of his career...his 6 pickoffs in this span are tied for the 3rd most in the AL, behind only **Max Fried** (9) and **Gavin Williams** (7).
- + Lugo was named a *Rawlings* Gold Glove Award winner in 2024, becoming the first Royals pitcher to win the award since **Bret Saberhagen** in 1989.

IN FOR A TREAT: Lugo has started some of the craziest and most memorable games of the season, including 5 games that have been decided in extras...his 5 starts in extra-inning games are tied for the 3rd most in the Majors and trail **Freddy Peralta**, who has started 7 extra-inning games for the Mets and Rays...Royals Hall of Famer **Mark Gubicza** started a club-record 7 extra-inning games in 1989.

- + He also started the Royals highest-scoring game of the year on July 7 at Citi Field, where the Royals won the back-and-forth affair by a 16-12 score, a game in which **Tyler Tolbert** became the third player in MLB history to hit safely in 12 straight PA.
- + The Royals are 13-13 in his 26 starts this year, but have held a lead in 18 of his games.

ROAD WOES: Seth has made 12 road starts this season, pitching to a 5.63 ERA (40 ER in 64.0 IP)...he's been hit hard in 6 of his last 9 starts on the road, allowing at least 5 runs in those outings—including each of his last 2 road games—after starting the season with a 1.42 ERA (3 ER in 19.0 IP) in his 1st 3 starts away from Kauffman Stadium.

- + He's recorded at least 5.0 innings in 9 of his 12 road starts this season and in 32 of his 40 road starts since 2024, which are tied for 13th most in the AL in that span.
- + Since last season, 11 of his 24 road outings have been quality starts and he's recorded at least 6.0 innings in 13 of 24 starts...the Royals are 11-13 in those games.

ATTACKING THE ZONE: Seth has thrown 1st-pitch strikes at a rate of 65.3% this season which is tied for the 9th-highest rate in the Majors, trailing Baltimore's **Trevor Rogers** (68.7%)...he threw a career-high 27 1st-pitch strikes on April 26 vs. the Angels.

KANSAS CITY ROYALTY: Since joining the Royals prior to the start of the 2024 season, Lugo has gone 29-23 (.558) with a 3.84 ERA (212 ER in 497.1 IP), which is the 11th-lowest ERA in the American League over this stretch (min. 400.0 IP).

- + In the 58-season history of the Royals, 36 different pitchers have made at least 75 starts with the club, and among that group, Lugo's 3.84 ERA ranks 13th lowest.
- + Had the best season of his career in his first year with Kansas City in 2024, as he finished 2nd in the AL **Cy Young** Award voting after ranking 2nd in the Majors in innings (206.2), T-2nd in the AL in wins (16) and 6th in the AL in ERA (3.00).

SETH LUGO 2026 GAME LOG													
DATE/OPP	W-L	SCORE	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	P/S	LEFT		
3/29 at ATL	W1	4-1	6.1	5	0	0	0	0	3	77/55	3	0	
4/4 vs. MIL (2)	ND	8-2	5.0	4	2	2	0	2	7	103/69	2	2	
4/9 vs. CWS	L1	0-2	6.1	4	2	1	0	4	4	92/55	0	1	
4/15 at DET	ND	1-2	6.2	5	1	1	0	0	7	92/61	1	1	
4/20 vs. BAL	ND	5-7 (12)	7.0	1	0	0	0	4	7	93/59	1	0	
4/26 vs. LAA	ND	11-9 (10)	6.1	14	7	7	1	1	3	97/72	3	7	
5/2 at SEA	ND	3-2 (10)	6.0	8	2	2	0	2	6	103/66	1	2	
5/7 vs. CLE	L2	5-8	4.0	7	4	4	0	4	5	102/60	0	4	
5/13 at CWS	L3	5-6	5.0	8	5	5	0	2	4	92/55	3	5	
5/18 vs. BOS	L4	1-3	6.0	5	2	2	1	2	5	93/57	0	2	
5/24 vs. SEA	W2	8-6	6.1	6	3	3	1	2	3	86/56	5	2	
5/30 at TEX	ND	6-7	6.0	6	3	1	1	0	6	90/64	4	3	
6/4 at MIN	ND	8-6	5.0	6	5	5	3	1	4	92/60	6	5	
6/10 vs. TEX	ND	4-6 (10)	3.1	3	1	1	0	1	2	44/29	1	0	
6/19 vs. STL	W3	6-5	6.0	5	2	1	0	3	0	85/52	6	2	
6/25 at TB	L5	2-13	5.0	7	7	7	3	2	3	90/57	0	7	
7/1 vs. TB	L6	0-4	6.0	9	3	3	2	0	7	85/57	0	3	
7/7 at NYM	ND	16-12	4.1	9	9	6	2	2	4	94/59	9	9	
7/12 at BAL	ND	2-8	4.0	4	2	2	1	2	6	89/51	2	2	
7/17 vs. SD	ND	7-6 (10)	6.0	4	2	1	0	2	3	90/57	2	2	
7/22 vs. SF	W4	5-4	7.0	3	3	3	0	2	5	94/63	5	3	
7/28 at MIN	ND	2-3	6.0	6	1	1	0	2	2	84/51	2	1	
8/2 at COL	L7	1-8	5.0+	5	5	5	0	5	3	99/52	1	2	
8/8 vs. CHC	W5	6-3	6.0	5	3	3	1	1	5	90/61	4	3	
8/14 at LAA	ND	7-6	4.2	7	5	5	0	0	4	86/56	5	5	
8/19 vs. ATH	ND	9-7	6.0	9	5	5	0	0	3	96/60	2	5	
TOTALS	5-7	4.71	145.1	155	84	76	16	46	111	63.9%			

SETH LUGO 2026 SPLITS													
SPLIT	W	L	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	ERA	AVG
Total	5	7	26	26	145.1	155	84	76	16	46	111	4.71	.278
Home	4	4	14	14	81.1	79	39	36	6	28	59	3.98	.261
Away	1	3	12	12	64.0	76	45	40	10	18	52	5.63	.298
Day	3	3	9	9	50.0	57	34	32	7	18	37	5.76	.284
Night	2	4	17	17	95.1	98	50	44	9	28	74	4.15	.275
March	1	0	1	1	6.1	5	0	0	0	0	3	0.00	.208
April	0	1	5	5	31.1	28	12	11	1	11	28	3.16	.248
May	1	3	6	6	33.1	40	19	17	3	12	29	4.59	.299
June	1	1	4	4	19.1	21	15	14	6	7	9	6.52	.284
July	1	1	6	6	33.1	35	20	16	5	10	27	4.32	.280
August	1	1	4	4	21.2	26	18	18	1	6	15	7.48	.295

SETH LUGO 2026 SPLITS vs. LHB/RHB													
	BF	AB	H	2B	3B	HR	BB	K	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS	
Total	619	558	155	36	5	16	46	111	.278	.338	.446	.784	
vs. LHB	396	355	102	25	4	8	33	73	.287	.355	.448	.803	
vs. RHB	223	203	53	11	1	8	13	38	.261	.306	.443	.750	

SETH LUGO'S 2026 PITCH TRACKING DATA										
PITCH	TOTAL	vR	vL	VELO	H	AB	K	HR	WHIFF%	FPS
SINKER	20%	23%	19%	91.4 mph	33	122	15	4	13.2%	69%
CUTTER	16%	13%	18%	89.8 mph	29	99	25	3	23.4%	63%
4-SEAM	16%	14%	17%	91.7 mph	26	65	16	1	15.2%	62%
CURVE	15%	10%	18%	77.1 mph	22	94	21	3	20.3%	67%
SWEEPER	11%	14%	9%	79.1 mph	14	52	6	4	15.7%	68%
SLIDER	9%	16%	5%	84.2 mph	12	44	12	1	21.7%	71%
CHANGE	9%	3%	12%	84.9 mph	12	56	7	0	16.7%	52%
SLOW CURVE	3%	4%	2%	69.2 mph	2	16	8	0	32.1%	55%
SLURVE	2%	3%	1%	77.3 mph	5	10	1	0	18.8%	60%
TOTAL					155	558	111	16	18.4%	65%
WHIFF% = swing and miss									FPS = 1st pitch strikes	

SETH LUGO'S LAST START: AUGUST 19 vs. ATH (ND)											
PITCH	TOTAL	vR	vL	VELO	H	AB	K	HR	WHIFF%	FPS	
SINKER	16% (15)	24% (8)	11% (7)	92.1	3	7	0	0	0% (0/8)	0% (0/1)	
CURVE	16% (15)	15% (5)	16% (10)	77.7	1	5	0	0	22% (2/9)	50% (3/6)	
4-SEAM	16% (15)	9% (3)	19% (12)	91.9	2	5	1	0	29% (2/7)	33% (2/6)	
SWEEPER	15% (14)	18% (6)	13% (8)	79.8	0	2	0	0	0% (0/5)	86% (6/7)	
CUTTER	14% (13)	12% (4)	15% (9)	89.8	-	-	-	-	25% (1/4)	100% (2/2)	
CHANGE	13% (12)	3% (1)	18% (11)	85.8	2	4	1	0	17% (1/6)	0% (0/1)	
SLIDER	9% (9)	18% (6)	5% (3)	83.8	1	2	0	0	20% (1/5)	0% (0/2)	
SLOW CURVE	3% (3)	3% (1)	3% (2)	67.8	0	1	1	0	-	0% (0/1)	
TOTAL	96	34	62		9	26	3	0	16% (7/44)	50% (13/26)	
WHIFF% = swing and miss									FPS = 1st pitch strikes		

BULLPEN NOTES												
#47 MASON BLACK RHP			2026: 0-0-0 16 G 29.1 IP 4.60 ERA 19 K (14.0 K%) 20 BB/O IBB (14.7 BB%)									
1ST-PITCH K%: 77/135 (57.0%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 9/16 (56.3%)	IR/IRS: 8/1 (12.5% stranded)	vs. LHB: .313 (15-48), 5 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS								
LAST WIN: 9/20/24 at KC	LAST LOSS: 9/25/24 at AZ	LAST SAVE: n/a	vs. RHB: .231 (15-65), 1 HR	6/18 vs. STL	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO		
'26: SINKER: 25.2% 93.8 mph	4-SEAM: 21.9% 94.0 mph	SWEEPER: 20.6% 83.0 mph	SLIDER: 13.9% 87.0 mph	8/7 vs. CHC	5.0	3	2	2	3	2		
CUTTER: 7.4% 90.5 mph	CURVE: 6.9% 81.1 mph	CHANGE: 4.1% 88.0 mph		8/12 at LAD	3.0	3	1	1	2	1		
+ Mason allowed 3 of his 5 batters to reach safely in the 5th inning on Sunday vs. Detroit, surrendering 4 runs (3 ER) on an RBI groundout by Gleyber Torres , an RBI single off the bat of Hao-Yu Lee and a 2-run home run by Kevin McGonigle .				8/18 vs. ATH	3.0	2	2	2	3	1		
				8/23 vs. DET	0.2	3	4	3	1	0		
				TOTALS (0-0-0)	13.2	14	11	10	11	4		
+ After beginning the season with a 1.86 ERA (2 ER in 9.2 IP) in his 1st 8 outings of the season from April 19-June 7, he has a 5.95 ERA (13 ER in 19.2 IP) in 8 appearances since.												
+ Black has already set a single-season career high in appearances (16) this year, while he is 7.0 innings shy of matching his career best (36.1) done in 2024 with San Francisco.												

#64 STEVEN CRUZ RHP			2026: 2-3-5 47 G (2 GS) 49.2 IP 4.17 ERA 54 K (26.2 K%) 19 BB/2 IBB (9.2 BB%)													
1ST-PITCH K%: 129/204 (63.2%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 35/47 (74.5%)	IR/IRS: 15/13 (86.7% stranded)	vs. LHB: .209 (23-110), 9 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS							IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
LAST WIN: 6/28/26 at CWS	LAST LOSS: 7/23/26 at DET	LAST SAVE: 8/17/26 vs. ATH	vs. RHB: .243 (18-74), 3 HR	8/14 at LAA (SV)							1.0	1	0	0	0	1
'26: 4-SEAM: 55.9% 98.4 mph	CUTTER: 27.7% 93.8 mph	SLIDER: 16.0% 89.5 mph	SWEeper: 0.4% 88.7 mph	8/17 vs. ATH (SV)							1.0	0	0	0	0	0
+ Cruz struck out Eduardo Valencia and Ben Malgeri in a scoreless 9th inning on Sunday vs. the Tigers at Kauffman Stadium.				8/19 vs. ATH							1.0	2	2	2	0	0
				8/21 vs. DET							1.1	2	0	0	0	1
				8/23 vs. DET							1.0	0	0	0	1	2
+ Steven has not issued a walk in 18 of his last 21 appearances dating back to July 8, and his 3.7% walk rate during that same stretch is the 3rd-lowest clip by any pitcher in MLB (min. 20 G), behind only Steven Okert (1.3%) & Caleb Thielbar (1.4%).				TOTALS (0-0-2)							5.1	5	2	2	1	4
+ He has a 1.69 ERA (3 ER in 16.0 IP) in his last 15 road games (2 starts) since May 31 after beginning the campaign with a 15.75 ERA (7 ER in 4.0 IP) in his 1st 4 road games.																
+ Has already set career highs this season in innings pitched (49.2) and strikeouts (54), while his next appearance will mark a career best, surpassing his 47 done last year.																

#74 JOSE CUAS RHP			2026: 0-0-0 12 G 13.0 IP 2.08 ERA 14 K (23.7 K%) 8 BB/1 IBB (13.6 BB%)								
1ST-PITCH K%: 32/58 (55.2%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 6/12 (50.0%)	IR/IRS: 5/1 (20.0% stranded)	vs. LHB: .207 (6-29), 0 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS							
LAST WIN: 5/23/23 vs. DET	LAST LOSS: 9/29/23 at MIL	LAST SAVE: 9/23/23 vs. COL	vs. RHB: .364 (8-22), 0 HR	8/10 at LAD	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	
'26: 4-SEAM: 37.2% 92.1 mph	SINKER: 28.2% 92.2 mph	SWEeper: 25.6% 82.8 mph	CUTTER: 8.3% 88.1 mph	8/12 at LAD	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	
CHANGE: 0.8% 87.7 mph				8/14 at LAA	1.2	2	0	0	1	2	
				8/21 vs. DET	0.1	0	0	0	1	0	
+ Jose issued a bases-loaded walk to Ben Malgeri in the 7th inning on Sunday, which snapped a 9-outing scoreless streak.				8/23 vs. DET	1.0	0	0	0	2	0	
+ Cuas has a 0.90 ERA (1 ER in 10.0 IP) over his last 10 outings since July 6, which is the 5th-lowest mark in the AL during that span (min. 10 games), behind Grant Taylor (0.40), Samy Natera Jr. (0.57), Nate Pearson (0.61) & Alex Hoppe (0.84).				TOTALS (0-0-0)	1.0	2	1	1	2	1	
+ Made 4 relief appearances (3.0 IP) with Toronto in 2024, and he has a 1.42 ERA (1 ER in 6.1 IP) in 6 career games vs. the Blue Jays, with 5 of those outings being scoreless.											
+ Opponents are 0-for-18 (.000) in at-bats ending with Cuas' four-seam fastball this season, which is the lowest clip allowed by any pitcher in the Majors (min. 15 at-bats).											

#26 CRAIG KIMBREL RHP			2026 w/ NYM, TB & KC: 1-2-1 38 G 39.0 IP 4.15 ERA 35 K (21.9 K%) 18 BB/1 IBB (11.3 BB%)														
1ST-PITCH K%: 89/161 (55.3%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 25/38 (65.8%)	IR/IRS: 10/5 (50.0% stranded)	vs. LHB: .296 (21-71), 3 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS								IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
LAST WIN: 8/19/26 vs. ATH	LAST LOSS: 5/7/26 at COL	LAST SAVE: 8/22/26 vs. DET	vs. RHB: .134 (9-67), 1 HR	8/12 at LAD								1.0	0	0	0	1	0
'26: 4-SEAM: 67.1% 93.6 mph	SWEeper: 13.9% 85.5 mph	KN. CURVE: 9.3% 84.1 mph	SINKER: 6.4% 93.7 mph	8/15 at LAA								1.1	1	0	0	0	0
CHANGE: 3.4% 88.6 mph				8/19 vs. ATH (W)								1.0	0	0	0	0	1
+ Kimbrel finished off the Royals 3-1 win last Saturday night vs. Detroit, as he struck out Dillon Dingler and Brett Callahan in the 9th inning...marked his 1st save since July 7, 2024 at the A's with Baltimore and the 441st of his Major League career.				8/20 vs. ATH								1.0	0	0	0	0	0
				8/22 vs. DET (SV)								1.0	0	0	0	1	2
+ The Royals last Saturday night became the ninth team that Craig has earned a save with, matching the most by a pitcher since saves became an official statistic in 1969, per <i>Elias</i> , joining Octavio Dotel , Goose Gossage and Fernando Rodney .				TOTALS (1-0-1)								5.1	1	0	0	2	3
+ He's thrown 5 scoreless outings—covering 5.1 innings—since joining the Royals on Aug. 10, during which he has retired 13 of his 16 batters faced, allowing 1 hit and 2 walks.																	
+ Has held right-handed hitters to a .134 batting average (9-for-67) off him this year, which ranks 6th in Major League Baseball (min. 70 BF), trailing leader Josh Hader (.089).																	

#56 ALEX LANGE RHP			2026: 2-7-10 49 G 50.2 IP 5.86 ERA 53 K (23.6 K%) 26 BB/O IBB (11.6 BB%)													
1ST-PITCH K%: 141/226 (62.4%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 29/49 (59.2%)	IR/IRS: 10/6 (60.0% stranded)	vs. LHB: .292 (31-106), 3 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS							IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
LAST WIN: 8/14/26 at LAA	LAST LOSS: 8/10/26 at LAD	LAST SAVE: 7/25/26 at DET	vs. RHB: .207 (18-87), 3 HR	8/10 at LAD (L)							1.0	3	1	1	0	1
'26: SLIDER: 32.0% 87.9 mph	SINKER: 23.7% 95.7 mph	CHANGE: 21.6% 90.7 mph	CUTTER: 12.6% 92.0 mph	8/14 at LAA (W)							1.0	2	1	1	0	2
4-SEAM: 10.1% 95.8 mph				8/18 vs. ATH							1.0	0	0	0	0	0
+ Lange retired Hao-Yu Lee , Kevin McGonigle and Gleyber Torres in a 1-2-3 8th inning last Saturday night, which marked his career-best 3rd straight 1-2-3 frame...he has set down 9 consecutive hitters and 12 of his last 14 dating back to Aug. 14.				8/19 vs. ATH							1.0	0	0	0	0	2
				8/22 vs. DET							1.0	0	0	0	0	0
				TOTALS (1-1-0)							5.0	5	2	2	0	5
+ It's the fifth time this season that he has spun at least 3 straight scoreless outings and first since June 17-22 (3), while the only time that he threw at least 4 consecutive scoreless appearances was a season-high 9 straight from May 20-June 9.																
+ Alex has a 2.00 ERA (2 ER in 9.0 IP) in 9 career appearances vs. the Blue Jays, while he has not allowed an earned run in 5 career outings at Rogers Centre, covering 5.0 IP.																
+ Leads all Royals relievers this season in innings pitched (50.2), strikeouts (53) and batters faced (225), while he ranks 2nd in appearances (49), trailing John Schreiber (53).																

#61 NATE PEARSON RHP				2026 w/ HOU & KC: 2-1-3			29 G	32.2 IP	2.48 ERA	27 K (20.1 K%)	17 BB/O IBB (12.7 BB%)					
1ST-PITCH K%: 80/133 (60.2%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 15/29 (51.7%)	IR/IRS: 5/2 (40.0% stranded)		vs. LHB: .174 (12-69), 0 HR			LAST 5 OUTINGS									
LAST WIN: 7/26/26 at DET	LAST LOSS: 8/15/26 at LAA	LAST SAVE: 8/21/26 vs. DET		vs. RHB: .222 (10-45), 1 HR			8/15 at LAA (L)	1.0	1	1	1	1	1			
'26: 4-SEAM: 41.5% 97.7 mph	SLIDER: 31.1% 89.3 mph	SINKER: 12.6% 96.8 mph		CURVE: 11.5% 81.4 mph			8/17 vs. ATH	1.0	0	0	0	1	0			
CHANGE: 3.2% 85.7 mph							8/20 vs. ATH	1.0	0	0	0	0	0			
+ Nate worked around a leadoff single by Zach McKinstry in the 8th inning on Sunday vs. the Tigers, as he induced a pair of flyouts and struck out Kevin McGonigle ...he has not allowed a run in 12 of his 13 outings since joining the Royals on July 24.							8/21 vs. DET (SV)	1.0	1	0	0	1	1			
							8/23 vs. DET			1.0	1	0	0	0	1	
							TOTALS (0-1-1)			5.0	3	1	1	3	3	
+ He has a 0.57 ERA (1 ER in 15.2 IP) over his last 16 appearances since July 4, which is the 5th-lowest mark in MLB during that stretch (min. 10 games), behind Abner Uribe (0.00), Erik Miller (0.00), Grant Taylor (0.39) and Trevor Megill (0.56).																
+ Opponents are hitting just .135 (7-for-52) off him in his last 16 outings dating back to July 4, the 5th-lowest clip in the American League during that span (min. 50 BF).																
+ Has posted a 0.51 ERA (1 ER in 17.2 IP) in 15 outings on the road this season, the 3rd-lowest mark in MLB (min. 15 G), behind Robert Suarez (0.00) and Mason Miller (0.40).																
+ Pearson spent parts of four seasons with the Blue Jays from 2020-24 after being selected by Toronto in the 1st round (28th overall) of the 2017 First-Year Player Draft.																

#46 JOHN SCHREIBER RHP				2026: 1-3-1 53 G 47.1 IP 3.80 ERA 35 K (17.8 K%) 22 BB/3 IBB (11.2 BB%)							
1ST-PITCH K%: 113/196 (57.7%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 39/53 (73.6%)	IR/IRS: 25/18 (72.0% stranded)	vs. LHB: .337 (28-83), 5 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS							
LAST WIN: 8/23/26 vs. DET	LAST LOSS: 6/2/26 at CIN	LAST SAVE: 3/30/26 vs. MIN	vs. RHB: .148 (13-88), 2 HR	8/14 at LAA	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	
'26: 4-SEAM: 28.2% 93.8 mph	SWEeper: 27.9% 82.3 mph	SINKER: 23.5% 93.3 mph	CUTTER: 12.8% 89.5 mph	8/17 vs. ATH	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	
CHANGE: 7.6% 86.6 mph				8/20 vs. ATH	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	
+ John earned his 1st win since Aug. 24, 2025 at Detroit after stranding 2 inherited runners belonging to Connor Thomas in Sunday's series finale vs. the Tigers...Schreiber has not allowed a run in 10 of his 13 outings since the All-Star break.				8/21 vs. DET	0.2	1	2	2	1	1	
				8/23 vs. DET (W)	0.2	0	0	0	0	1	
+ Sunday marked his team-leading 53rd outing of the season after making club-high 74 games last year, and he's trying to become the first Royal to lead the team in appearances in back-to-back campaigns since Kelvin Herrera from 2015-16.				TOTALS (1-0-0)	4.1	1	2	2	1	2	
+ Has held opposing right-handed hitters to a .148 batting average (13-for-88) off him this season, which is the 3rd-best mark by an American League pitcher (min. 90 BF), compared to a .337 average (28-for-83) allowed to left-handed hitters...the 189-point difference between those splits is the highest for any pitcher in MLB (min. 50 games).											
+ Schreiber has a 6.86 ERA (15 ER in 19.2 IP) in 25 road outings this season, which marks a stark contrast to his 1.63 ERA (5 ER in 27.2 IP) in 28 games at Kauffman Stadium.											

#50 CONNOR THOMAS LHP			2026 w/ ATL & KC: 1-1-0 5 G 9.1 IP 14.46 ERA 7 K (13.5 K%) 6 BB/O IBB (11.5 BB%)													
1ST-PITCH K%: 34/52 (65.4%)	1ST BATTER EFF.: 2/5 (40.0%)	IR/IRS: 6/4 (66.7% stranded)	vs. LHB: .500 (8-16), 1 HR	LAST 5 OUTINGS							IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
LAST WIN: 8/20/26 vs. ATH	LAST LOSS: 7/27/26 at NYM	LAST SAVE: n/a	vs. RHB: .333 (9-27), 3 HR	7/7 at PIT*							3.2	5	4	4	1	2
'26: 4-SEAM: 23.6% 91.1 mph	SINKER: 22.5% 90.5 mph	CHANGE: 20.8% 85.3 mph	SWEeper: 18.0% 82.6 mph	7/27 at NYM (L)*							2.2	10	11	11	5	2
CUTTER: 15.2% 87.4 mph				8/17 vs. ATH							1.0	1	0	0	0	1
+ Connor recorded 1 out in the 6th inning on Sunday against the Tigers (3 batters faced), but he allowed 1 inherited runner belonging to Mason Black to score on an RBI groundout by Max Clark , after which he was lifted in favor of John Schreiber .				8/20 vs. ATH (W)							1.2	1	0	0	0	2
				8/23 vs. DET							0.1	0	0	0	0	0
+ Has not been charged with a run in each of his 1st 3 outings with KC after yielding a run in each of his 4 career MLB games.				TOTALS (1-1-0)							9.1	17	15	15	6	7
				*with Atlanta												
+ Thomas has recorded at least 5 outs in 5 of his 7 career appearances, during which he's averaging 2.0 innings per outing.																

BATTER NOTES				
#14 JAC CAGLIANONE OF L-L ★ HOME RUN DERBY PARTICIPANT ★			2026: .276/.328/.491 22 HR 60 RBI 6 SB	
SUN vs. DET: DID NOT PLAY		SERIES vs. DET: 1-8, 2B, R	vs. LHP: .268 (37-for-138), 7 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 1 G (1-4, .250)
w/ RISP: .260 (26-for-100)		HOMESTAND: 7-18 (.389), HBP, 2 2B, 2 RBI, 3 R	vs. RHP: .280 (83-for-296), 15 HR	LAST ERROR: 35 G, July 7, 2026 at NYM (1B)
+ Jac was scratched from Sunday's lineup vs. Detroit due to ankle soreness.			+ His 7 left-on-left home runs this season rank tied for 11th most in the Majors and are the most by a Royal since Mike Moustakas hit 9 HR off left-handed pitchers in 2017.	
+ Doubled and scored on a wild pitch in the 6th Saturday night...he's reached base safely in 18 of his 19 games this month, including his 1st 17 games to begin August, marking the longest on-base streak of his career, over which he had a .463 OBP.			+ Jac's 22 home runs are the most in a season by a Royals outfielder (min. 50% of games played in the outfield) since Alex Gordon hit 23 homers in 2011.	
+ Ranks among Major League leaders in August in slugging pct. (1st, .694), OPS (1st, 1.121), average (2nd, .403), RBI (T-3rd, 20), OBP (8th, .427) and XBH (T-8th, 11).			+ His 93.2-mph average exit velocity ranks in the 97th percentile (<i>Baseball Savant</i>), while his 55.0% hard-hit pct. ranks 7th in MLB, behind Munetaka Murakami (58.3%).	
#1 ISAAC COLLINS OF S-R			2026: .228/.327/.347 6 HR 38 RBI 6 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 1-4		SERIES vs. DET: 2-7, BB	vs. LHP: .207 (25-for-121), 2 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 3 G (3-10, .300)
w/ RISP: .231 (25-for-108)		HOMESTAND: 3-15 (.200), 4 BB, SF, 3 RBI, R	vs. RHP: .238 (59-for-248), 4 HR	LAST ERROR: 108 G, April 4, 2026 vs. MIL-2 (LF)
+ Isaac has hit safely in each of his last 3 games on the heels of an 0-for-14 skid.			this season, compared to his .186/.294/.301 (34-for-183) slashline in 59 road games.	
+ Of his 38 RBI this year, 24 have come with 2 outs (63.2%), 2nd most among Royals.			+ Batting .249 (43-for-173) with runners on base this year, with 26 walks (.348 OBP).	
+ Collins is slashing .269/.360/.392 (50-for-186) in 59 games at Kauffman Stadium			+ In 3 career games vs. the Jays a year ago in Toronto, he went 4-for-11 with 2 doubles.	
#28 KYLE ISBEL OF L-R			2026: .241/.288/.370 6 HR 23 RBI 6 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 2-4, 3 RBI, 2 R, SB		SERIES vs. DET: 5-11 (.455), 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 4 R, SB	vs. LHP: .148 (8-for-54), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 4 G (6-15, .400)
w/ RISP: .333 (19-for-57)		HOMESTAND: 7-21 (.333), BB, 2B, 2 HR, 8 RBI, 6 R, SB	vs. RHP: .272 (44-for-162), 5 HR	LAST ERROR: 38 G, May 10, 2026 vs. DET (CF)
+ Hit a 2-out, 2-run single in the 2nd inning on Sunday...in 3 Players' Weekend games—during which he used three different custom bats—he hit .455 (5-for-11) with 3 extra-base hits (1 double, 2 HR), 6 RBI and 12 total bases, for a 1.546 OPS.			+ Slashing .365/.400/.654 (19-for-52) with 9 XBH in 17 career games vs. Toronto.	
+ Dating back to last Wednesday's game vs. the A's, he's recorded at least 1 RBI in a career-high 4 straight games, and has an RBI in 5 of his last 6 games (8 total RBI).			+ Has hit 3 HR in his last 11 games since breaking out of a 41-game homerless skid.	
			+ He's hit safely in 8 of his 11 games since Aug. 10, batting .278 (10-for-36) with 10 RBI.	
			+ Despite being limited to just 73 games this year, his 5 Outs Above Average rank 4th among all Royals and T-7th among AL center fielders, per <i>Baseball Savant</i> .	
#22 CARTER JENSEN C L-R			2026: .219/.301/.402 17 HR 57 RBI 1 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 0-1		SERIES vs. DET: 1-9, BB, HR, RBI, R	vs. LHP: .242 (30-for-124), 3 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 0 G (0-6)
w/ RISP: .226 (21-for-93)		HOMESTAND: 4-19 (.211), 4 BB, 2B, HR, RBI, 3 R	vs. RHP: .209 (63-for-301), 14 HR	LAST ERROR: 24 G, July 12, 2026 at BAL (C)
+ Hit a solo homer off lefty Tyler Holton in the 7th inning last Friday night, his 3rd career HR off a left-handed pitcher...he's now 1 HR shy of matching MJ Melendez (18 HR in 2022) for the most HR in a season by a rookie catcher in franchise history.			+ Melendez (18) and Bobby Witt Jr. (20) in 2022...his 57 RBI rank 3rd on the team trailing Jac Caglianone (60) and he's aiming to become the third rookie to lead the Royals in RBI, joining Bob Hamelin (65) in 1994 and Witt Jr. (80) in 2022 (<i>Elias</i>).	
+ Carter's reached in 10 of his last 28 PA (.357 OBP), breaking out of an 0-for-22 skid.			+ Ranks among American League rookies this year in doubles (T-1st, 25), extra-base hits (2nd, 43), walks (T-3rd, 50), HR (T-3rd, 17), RBI (4th, 57) and hits (6th, 93).	
+ He's the 10th rookie in club history to hit 17 HR in a season and the first since MJ				
#12 NICK LOFTIN IF R-R			2026: .238/.332/.387 6 HR 40 RBI 2 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 3-4, BB, HR, 4 RBI, 2 R		SERIES vs. DET: 4-9, 3 BB, HR, 4 RBI, 2 R	vs. LHP: .271 (32-for-118), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 2 G (4-6, .667)
w/ RISP: .275 (19-for-69)		HOMESTAND: 5-18 (.278), 5 BB, 3B, HR, 5 RBI, 2 R	vs. RHP: .213 (35-for-164), 5 HR	LAST ERROR: 0 G, Aug. 23, 2026 vs. DET (3B)
+ Hit a 3-run HR on Sunday, his 6th HR of the season and 1st since July 25...his 6 HR in 93 games this year are more than his 5 HR through his 1st 143 career games.			+ Nick is in the midst of a breakout season, already establishing career highs in games played (93), hits (67), runs scored (35), home runs (6) and RBI (40)...additionally, he has 20 doubles, passing his total from his 1st 143 games to begin his career (18).	
+ Also walked, singled and had an RBI single Sunday, tying a career high with 4 RBI.				
#24 MATTHEW LUGO OF R-R			2026 IN MINORS: .265/.350/.473 14 HR 65 RBI 14 SB	
SUN vs. DET: DID NOT PLAY		SERIES vs. DET: DID NOT PLAY	vs. LHP: .000 (0-for-0), 0 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 0 G (0-1)
w/ RISP: .000 (0-for-0)		HOMESTAND: DID NOT PLAY	vs. RHP: .000 (0-for-0), 0 HR	LAST ERROR: 12 G, June 4, 2025 at BOS (RF)
+ Lugo was recalled from Triple-A Omaha last Friday...his 1st appearance will mark his Royals debut and his 1st game in the Majors since last Sept. 12 with the Angels.			his debut on his birthday...appeared in 31 games last year and went 16-for-69 (.232).	
+ Made his MLB debut on May 9, 2025, the second player in Angels history to make			+ Was claimed off waivers from the Angels on June 2 and was optioned to Omaha...in 61 games at the Triple-A level this year, he's slashed .269/.329/.511 (60-for-223).	
#18 LUKE MAILE C R-R			2026: .179/.207/.321 1 HR 5 RBI 0 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 0-3		SERIES vs. DET: 0-3	vs. LHP: .190 (4-for-21), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 0 G (0-11)
w/ RISP: .200 (2-for-10)		HOMESTAND: 0-7	vs. RHP: .143 (1-for-7), 0 HR	LAST ERROR: 72 G, April 30, 2024 at SD (C)
+ Slashing .353/.371/.529 (12-for-34) with 6 RBI in 12 career games vs. the Blue Jays.			+ Hit a 3-run HR in his 1st PA of the season on July 6 vs. the Phillies, his 1st HR since May 4, 2025 at Baltimore, which was his Royals debut...he's homered in 3 straight season debuts, and is the first catcher to do so since J.P. Arencibia from 2010-12.	
+ Threw out Lawrence Butler attempting to steal second base on Thursday...in his career, he's thrown out 76 of 333 potential stealers (22.8% caught stealing rate).				
#19 MICHAEL MASSEY IF/OF L-R			2026: .278/.310/.447 11 HR 44 RBI 2 SB	
SUN vs. DET: DID NOT PLAY		SERIES vs. DET: 2-7, 2B, RBI, R	vs. LHP: .321 (26-for-81), 3 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 0 G (0-3)
w/ RISP: .238 (20-for-84)		HOMESTAND: 7-17 (.412), 2 BB, 2 2B, 2 RBI, 4 R	vs. RHP: .265 (68-for-257), 8 HR	LAST ERROR: 13 G, Aug. 7, 2026 vs. CHC (2B)
+ Went 0-for-3 Saturday night to snap his hit streak at 7 straight games, which was his longest run of the season and tied for the 2nd longest of his career, behind only a 10-game run from April 27-May 7, 2024...he's still hit safely in 13 of his 18 games in the month of August, slashing .349/.364/.571 (22-for-63) with 7 XBH.			+ Went 3-for-4 last Thursday, his 6th 3-hit game this year and 3rd in his last 8 games.	
			+ Made his Major League debut here at the Rogers Centre on July 15, 2022...recorded his 1st 2 career hits the following day, the 1st being a single off Max Castillo .	
			+ Batting .304 (70-for-230) since May 31, raising his season average from .222 to .278.	
#9 VINNIE PASQUANTINO IF L-L			2026: .245/.329/.379 8 HR 38 RBI 4 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 1-4, BB, 2B, RBI, R		SERIES vs. DET: 3-11 (.273), BB, 2 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 3 R	vs. LHP: .181 (17-for-94), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 1 G (1-4, .250)
w/ RISP: .209 (18-for-86)		HOMESTAND: 10-26 (.385), 3 BB, 4 2B, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 6 R	vs. RHP: .271 (61-for-225), 7 HR	LAST ERROR: 9 G, July 23, 2026 at DET (1B)
+ Hit a tie-breaking, RBI double in the 5th inning on Sunday, his 6th extra-base hit in 7 games on the last homestand...was reinstated from the IL on Aug. 17 and hit safely in 6 of 7 games during the home stay, with 5 RBI and 3 walks (.448 OBP).			+ In 21 career games vs. the Blue Jays, he's slashing .250/.349/.417 (18-for-72) with 6 doubles, 2 HR and 11 walks...owns a career .682 OPS in 101 games vs. the AL East.	
+ Recorded his 500th career hit last Wednesday, the 39th player to do so with KC.			+ Since before landing on the IL, he's recorded 6 multi-hit efforts in his last 13 games...he's reached safely in 25 of his 28 games since June 3, posting an .882 OPS.	
#13 SALVADOR PEREZ C R-R CAPTAIN			2026: .222/.267/.376 17 HR 58 RBI 1 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 2-4, 2B, RBI, 2 R, SB		SERIES vs. DET: 4-11 (.364), 2B, HR, 2 RBI, 3 R, SB	vs. LHP: .273 (36-for-132), 4 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 5 G (8-19, .421)
w/ RISP: .197 (25-for-127)		HOMESTAND: 9-25 (.360), BB, 2 2B, HR, 6 RBI, 5 R, SB	vs. RHP: .202 (68-for-336), 13 HR	LAST ERROR: 21 G, June 26, 2026 at CWS (1B)
+ Singled and stole second base in the 2nd on Sunday, his 7th career steal and 1st since 2021...added an RBI double in the 5th, his 13th RBI in 19 games this month.			+ Last Thursday was his 8th 3-hit game of the year and the 100th of his career...he's one of 16 active players with at least 100 3-hit games, trailing Jose Altuve (224).	
+ Has an .814 OPS in 69 career games vs. Toronto, his 3rd-best mark vs. any AL team.			+ Hit a game-tying, solo HR off Detroit's Kyle Finnegan in the 7th on July 25 to mark his 15th HR of the season and the 318th of his career, passing George Brett (317) for the Royals all-time HR record...Brett had held sole possession of the record since he passed Amos Otis with his 194th homer on April 9, 1986, 40 years ago.	
+ He's hit safely in 34 of his last 45 games since June 27, over which he owns a .263 average (44-for-167) with 18 XBH (10 doubles, 1 triple, 7 HR), 17 runs scored and 28 RBI...this follows a 22-game stretch during which he batted just .163 (15-for-92).				
#16 JOHN RAVE OF L-L			2026: .215/.282/.462 3 HR 7 RBI 4 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 2-3, BB, HR, 2 RBI, 3 R, 2 SB		SERIES vs. DET: 2-3, BB, HR, 2 RBI, 3 R, 2 SB	vs. LHP: .263 (5-for-19), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 1 G (2-3, .667)
w/ RISP: .188 (3-for-16)		HOMESTAND: 3-10 (.300), BB, 2B, HR, 5 RBI, 5 R, SB	vs. RHP: .196 (9-for-46), 2 HR	LAST ERROR: 11 G, Aug. 4, 2026 vs. MIN (RF)
+ Hit a 2-out, 2-run HR in the 5th on Sunday, his 7th career HR and 1st off a lefty.			+ Owns a 13.7% barrel rate this season, hitting 7 barrels in 51 batted ball events.	
+ In his 4 games during last week's homestand, Rave slashed .300/.364/.700 (3-for-10) with 4 runs, 1 double, 1 home run, 2 stolen bases, 5 RBI and a 1.064 OPS.			+ Threw out Mike Trout trying to score on Nolan Schanuel's single on Aug. 14, his 2nd outfield assist of the year...the Royals 29 outfield assists are 2nd most in MLB.	
#2 TYLER TOLBERT IF R-R			2026: .286/.356/.419 3 HR 8 RBI 18 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 0-3, HBP, R		SERIES vs. DET: 0-6, HBP, R	vs. LHP: .259 (15-for-58), 1 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 0 G (0-9)
w/ RISP: .250 (7-for-28)		HOMESTAND: 2-13 (.200), 2 BB, HBP, 2 RBI, 2 R, SB	vs. RHP: .319 (15-for-47), 2 HR	LAST ERROR: 20 G, July 21, 2026 vs. SF (SS)
+ Singled, walked and scored a run last Wednesday...he has 6 multi-hit efforts in his last 22 starts since July 4, slashing .324/.395/.529 (22-for-68) in those games.			+ His 25 stolen bases as a pinch runner since the start of last season lead the Majors.	
+ Had a pinch-hit, 2-run single in the 9th a week ago, his 1st 2 RBI as a pinch hitter.			+ On Aug. 2, Tyler was recognized as the Royals Player of the Month for July, his first career monthly honor after slashing .425/.452/.700 (17-for-40) in 18 games.	
#7 BOBBY WITT JR. IF R-R ★ ALL-STAR ★			2026: .290/.365/.462 16 HR 48 RBI 35 SB	
SUN vs. DET: 1-4, BB, SB		SERIES vs. DET: 4-12 (.333), BB, 2 SB	vs. LHP: .300 (36-for-120), 4 HR	ACTIVE HIT STREAK: 4 G (6-16, .375)
w/ RISP: .303 (27-for-89)		'STAND: 11-27 (.407), 3 BB, 2 IBB, HBP, 2B, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 8 R, 3 SB	vs. RHP: .286 (92-for-322), 12 HR	LAST ERROR: 13 G, Aug. 8, 2026 vs. CHC (SS)
+ He's reached safely in 18 of 19 games since returning from the IL, with a .956 OPS.			+ Slashing .292/.348/.462 (31-for-106) in 27 career games vs. the Blue Jays...he's hit safely in 10 of his 13 games here at Rogers Centre, going 15-for-50 with 2 HR.	
+ Hit his 16th HR of the season in the 1st last Thursday, his 3rd HR in 8 games since Aug. 16 in Anaheim...finished last week's series vs. the A's with 8 runs and 5 RBI, the first Royal to reach those marks in a series since George Brett in August 1985.			+ His 26 doubles this season are tied for the 10th most in the American League, 6 shy of the leader...his 35 steals rank T-1st in the AL and his .290 average ranks 4th.	
+ A week ago tonight, he delivered a walk-off RBI single, marking his 3rd career walk-off RBI—1st since May 6, 2025—and the Royals 6th walk-off victory this season.			+ Despite missing time on the IL, his 24 Outs Above Average lead the Majors at any position, ahead of Pete Crow-Armstrong (23), according to <i>Baseball Savant</i> .	

Royals W-L Record by Lineup Card																		
Player	Batting Order (Starts)									By Position (Starts)								
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH
Jac Caglianone	-	-	23-27	3-3	7-7	9-12	8-14	0-1	-	-	13-17	-	-	-	-	-	36-41	1-6
Isaac Collins	-	-	-	1-2	2-4	9-7	16-19	14-13	7-13	-	-	-	-	-	48-57	-	-	1-1
Elias Díaz	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	0-4	1-6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maikel Garcia	19-34	1-1	3-3	5-4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26-41	1-1	-	-	-	1-0
Jonathan India	-	-	-	-	-	5-4	0-4	0-1	-	-	-	5-9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kyle Isbel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35-32	-	-	-	-	-	-	35-32	-	-
Carter Jensen	27-28	-	1-1	-	18-22	3-2	2-1	2-2	0-2	39-33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14-25
Nick Loftin	5-5	2-4	-	1-0	1-6	9-8	4-5	11-15	1-1	-	-	6-16	26-24	-	1-1	-	1-2	0-1
Luke Maile	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3-2	1-3	4-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Starling Marte	-	-	-	3-4	3-7	3-10	1-5	0-3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-3	-	5-14	3-12
Michael Massey	-	-	-	-	12-11	4-10	15-11	12-14	3-3	-	-	45-47	-	-	1-2	-	-	-
Kameron Misner	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-2	1-2	2-3	-	-	-	-	-	1-0	1-6	2-1	-
Vinnie Pasquantino	-	-	27-31	1-1	12-9	0-3	0-1	-	-	-	39-44	-	-	-	-	-	-	1-1
Salvador Perez	-	-	3-5	38-49	3-3	9-12	-	-	-	14-30	6-13	-	-	-	-	-	-	33-26
John Rave	-	0-1	-	-	-	2-1	4-5	3-2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-2	9-7	-
Josh Rojas	-	-	-	-	0-1	-	1-4	6-5	1-2	-	-	0-1	5-9	0-2	-	-	-	3-0
Lane Thomas	7-7	5-5	1-7	6-11	0-4	5-5	2-0	1-6	-	-	-	-	-	-	3-7	21-31	3-7	-
Tyler Tolbert	-	-	-	-	-	-	4-3	4-6	5-9	-	-	1-1	1-0	6-8	2-4	1-3	2-2	-
Andrew Velazquez	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3-2	-	-	1-0	-	2-2	-	-	-	-
Bobby Witt Jr.	-	50-63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49-61	-	-	-	1-2

ROYALS PITCHERS vs. BLUE JAYS (2025)															ROYALS PITCHERS vs. BLUE JAYS (CAREER)														
PITCHER	W	L	SV	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	ERA	AVG	W	L	SV	G	GS	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	ERA	AVG	
Mason Black	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Noah Cameron	1	1	0	2	2	13.0	9	5	5	1	3	6	3.46	.196	1	1	0	2	2	13.0	9	5	5	1	3	6	3.46	.196	
Steven Cruz	0	0	0	2	0	1.0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.00	.250	0	0	0	3	0	2.1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0.00	.125	
Jose Cuas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	6	0	6.1	6	1	1	0	3	2	1.42	.250	
Randy Dobnak	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Craig Kimbrel	0	1	0	1	0	0.1	2	1	0	0	0	1	0.00	.667	4	6	22	43	0	41.2	23	12	9	4	16	62	1.94	.159	
Alex Lange	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	2	9	0	9.0	3	3	2	1	3	13	2.00	.103	
Seth Lugo	0	0	0	1	1	4.2	4	2	2	0	4	3	3.86	.267	3	1	0	7	3	25.0	19	7	7	1	7	24	2.52	.209	
Daniel Lynch IV	0	0	0	1	0	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.00	.000	0	2	0	4	3	16.1	19	12	12	4	6	12	6.61	.292	
Nate Pearson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	2.0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0.00	.143	
John Schreiber	0	0	0	3	0	2.0	2	1	1	0	1	1	4.50	.250	1	1	0	17	1	17.1	9	3	2	0	2	13	1.04	.150	
Connor Thomas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Michael Wacha	1	1	0	2	2	13.0	11	7	7	1	1	9	4.85	.220	2	3	0	10	9	49.1	52	28	28	5	13	40	5.11	.267	

ROYALS STARTING PITCHER RUN SUPPORT							
PITCHER	RUN		RUN SUPPORT		TOTAL RUNS	TOTAL RUNS	TEAM
	GS	SUPPORT	PER 9 IP	IN STARTS	PER START	W-L	QS
Luinder Avila	12	40	7.0	67	5.6	8-4	1
Kris Bubic	9	17	3.0	39	4.3	6-3	4
Noah Cameron	24	76	5.0	110	4.6	8-16	8
Steven Cruz	2	0	0.0	3	1.5	0-2	0
Randy Dobnak	7	22	5.5	29	4.1	4-3	1
Bailey Falter	2	1	2.1	2	1.0	0-2	0
Stephen Kolek	10	24	4.0	44	4.4	6-4	5
Seth Lugo	26	68	4.2	132	5.1	13-13	14
Daniel Lynch IV	4	8	5.8	21	5.3	2-2	0
Cole Ragans	8	13	3.3	24	3.0	2-6	3
Mitch Spence	1	3	6.8	3	3.0	0-1	0
Michael Wacha	26	62	3.4	85	3.3	9-17	17
Beck Way	1	0	0.0	1	1.0	0-1	0
TOTALS	132	334	4.3	560	4.2	58-74	53

RUNS BY INNING													
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	TOTAL
ROYALS	69	52	48	77	57	70	68	65	38	12	1	3	560
OPP	83	66	68	63	85	63	71	68	70	7	2	5	651

VICTORY MARGIN														
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14+
ROYALS	18	12	9	10	2	2	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	1
OPP	22	19	8	7	2	5	3	3	1	-	1	-	-	3

Royals Game Delays (14)		
Date/Opp	Delay	Reason
4/11 vs. CWS	25 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
4/12 vs. CWS	3 hours, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
4/16 at DET	1 hour, 5 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
	46 minutes, top of 7th inning	inclement weather
4/19 at NYY	2 hours, 45 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
4/26 vs. LAA	1 hour, 29 minutes, bottom of 7th inning	inclement weather
5/2 at SEA	19 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	pregame ceremony
5/16 at STL	46 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
6/4 at MIN	1 hour, 7 minutes, bottom of 6th inning	inclement weather
6/5 at MIN	1 hour, 16 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
6/11 vs. TEX	2 hours, 20 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
6/13 vs. HOU	1 hour, 31 minutes, top of 8th inning	inclement weather
7/31 at COL	1 hour, prior to 1st pitch	inclement weather
8/4 vs. MIN	10 minutes, prior to 1st pitch	pregame ceremony

Royals Upcoming Milestones	
Player	Needs
Salvador Perez	3 HR shy of matching G. Brett (181) for most road HR in Royals history

Extra-Inning Games					Walk-off Wins/Losses			
Date/Opp	Final	Inn	Extra Inn	Scored	Date/Opp	Final	Inn	Batter/Pitcher
4/20 vs. BAL	L 7-5	12	3	2	3/28 at ATL	L 6-2	9	Carlos Estévez
4/26 vs. LAA	W 11-9	10	1	1	4/7 at CLE	L 3-2	9	John Schreiber
4/28 at ATH	W 4-1	10	1	1	4/16 at DET	L 10-9	9	Lucas Erceg
5/2 at SEA	W 3-2	10	1	1	4/21 vs. BAL	W 6-5	9	wild pitch
5/15 at STL	L 5-4	11	2	1	4/26 vs. LAA	W 11-9	10	Lane Thomas
6/2 at CIN	L 4-3	10	1	0	5/8 vs. DET	W 4-3	9	Kyle Isbel
6/10 vs. TEX	L 6-4	10	1	0	5/15 at STL	L 5-4	11	Steven Cruz
7/17 vs. SD	W 7-6	10	1	1	5/30 at TEX	L 7-6	9	Lucas Erceg
8/11 at LAD	L 5-4	10	1	0	6/2 at CIN	L 4-3	10	John Schreiber
TOTALS	4-5		12	7	6/27 at CWS	L 2-1	9	John Schreiber
					7/17 vs. SD	W 7-6	10	Carter Jensen
					7/20 vs. SF	W 4-3	9	Nick Loftin
					7/28 at MIN	L 3-2	9	Alex Lange
					7/30 at MIN	L 4-3	9	Matt Strahm
					8/11 at LAD	L 5-4	10	Lucas Erceg
					8/18 vs. ATH	W 4-3	9	Bobby Witt Jr.
					TOTALS	6-10		

Royals 2026 Pitching Splits													
	W	L	SV	G	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	K	ERA	AVG
Total	58	74	33	132	1160.1	1140	651	609	163	490	964	4.72	.258
Home	36	30	17	66	600.0	569	315	292	77	261	479	4.38	.251
Away	22	44	16	66	560.1	571	336	317	86	229	485	5.09	.264
Day	22	26	12	48	420.0	435	250	236	55	172	344	5.06	.269
Night	36	48	21	84	740.1	705	401	373	108	318	620	4.53	.251
Starter	35	42	0	132	695.2	663	363	341	88	251	573	4.41	.252
Reliever	23	32	33	130	464.2	477	288	268	75	239	391	5.19	.266
March	2	2	2	4	34.1	31	14	14	6	11	29	3.67	.244
April	10	17	7	27	239.0	223	134	124	30	126	235	4.67	.249
May	10	18	5	28	247.2	246	132	125	33	97	213	4.54	.259
June	13	14	8	27	237.2	258	157	148	41	99	181	5.60	.277
July	11	14	5	25	217.1	211	119	106	32	80	170	4.39	.256
Aug.	12	9	6	21	184.1	171	95	92	21	77	136	4.49	.245

ROYALS LINEUP PRODUCTION												
	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	K	AVG	OBP	SLG
1st	546	69	127	31	3	20	68	55	132	.233	.304	.410
2nd	530	57	144	30	1	17	55	57	109	.272	.344	.428
3rd	516	85	138	27	4	22	81	51	107	.267	.336	.463
4th	521	78	124	24	2	17	72	23	117	.238	.278	.390
5th	484	50	117	20	1	15	48	49	129	.242	.316	.380
6th	472	66	114	27	2	14	62	49	113	.242	.322	.396
7th	449	42	119	35	2	8	40	60	111	.265	.354	.405
8th	450	63	92	20	1	12	59	39	109	.204	.273	.333
9th	446	50	111	21	2	11	49	27	107	.249	.295	.379

ROYALS ON THE INJURED LIST (12)								
POS	PLAYER	IL	INJURY	DATE ON IL	RETRO	ELIGIBLE TO RETURN	GAMES MISSED	TEAM RECORD
RHP	Alec Marsh	60-day	right shoulder impingement	Feb. 12	-	May 24	132	58-74
RHP	James McArthur	60-day	right elbow inflamation	March 25	March 22	May 24	132	58-74
RHP	Carlos Estévez	60-day	left foot contusion	April 1	March 29	April 13	128	56-72
IF	Jonathan India	60-day	left shoulder subluxation	April 20	April 19	June 18	110	51-59
LHP	Cole Ragans	60-day	left elbow impingement	May 8	May 7	July 7	94	41-53
RHP	Nick Mears	60-day	right shoulder impingement	May 29	May 28	July 28	76	36-40
RHP	Connor Seabold	60-day	right lat strain	July 1	-	Aug. 31	46	23-23
RHP	Stephen Kolek	60-day	right flexor strain	July 19	-	Sept. 18	33	18-15
RHP	Beck Way	15-day	low back spasms/tightness	July 28	July 25	Aug. 9	25	13-12
RHP	Luinder Avila	60-day	right forearm tightness	Aug. 2	-	Oct. 2	20	12-8
RHP	Tony Gonsolin	15-day	right elbow surgery	Aug. 13	-	Aug. 28	10	9-1
IF	Maikel Garcia	10-day	left hamstring strain	Aug. 21	-	Aug. 31	3	3-0

PREVIOUS IL STINTS (TEAM RECORD): **MICHAEL MASSEY**, left calf strain, March 25-April 6 (4-5); **STEPHEN KOLEK**, left oblique strain, March 25-May 4 (16-19); **MATT STRAHM**, right knee inflammation May 16-30 (3-10); **SETH LUGO**, concussion, June 12-19 (3-4); **VINNIE PASQUANTINO**, right hamate fracture, June 14-July 9 (10-13); **KYLE ISBEL**, left plantar fasciitis, June 10-Aug. 1 (18-27); **BOBBY WITT JR.**, low back tightness, July 21-Aug. 3 (4-7); **MAIKEL GARCIA**, left hand muscle strain, June 23-Aug. 16 (18-28); **VINNIE PASQUANTINO**, right wrist soreness, July 29-Aug. 16 (6-11);

ROYALS INSTANT REPLAY REVIEWS													
DATE	OPP	INN	ORIGINAL CALL	SCORE	OUTCOME	W-L	DATE	OPP	INN	ORIGINAL CALL	SCORE	OUTCOME	W-L
3/29	at ATL	T3	Loftin out at first (double play)	tied 0-0	Overturned	1-0	5/19	vs. BOS	B1	Caglianone out at first	tied 1-1	Stands	12-4
4/2	vs. MIN	B8	Witt Jr. out at second (force out)	down 1-2	Stands	1-1	6/4	at MIN	B9	Arcia safe at first	ahead 8-6	Confirmed	12-5
4/4	vs. MIL (G1)	T5	Mitchell safe at first	tied 2-2	Overturned	2-1	6/6	at MIN	B2	Lewis safe at first	ahead 1-0	Overturned	13-5
4/6	at CLE	T1	Pasquantino out at first	tied 0-0	Overturned	3-1	6/10	vs. TEX	T5	Jung hit by pitch	down 1-2	Overturned	14-5
4/7	at CLE	T8	Thomas out at second (CS)	tied 1-1	Overturned	4-1	6/12	vs. HOU	B8	Marte out at first	down 8-9	Confirmed	14-6
4/15	at DET	B3	McKinstry safe at home	down 0-1	Overturned	5-1	6/15	at WAS	B8	Lile safe at second (caught stealing)	down 3-7	Overturned	15-6
4/15	at DET	T9	Tolbert out at first (picked off)	down 1-2	Overturned	6-1	6/19	vs. STL	B8	Collins out at first	ahead 6-2	Stands	15-7
4/26	vs. LAA	B7	Witt Jr. out at first (double play)	down 4-7	Overturned	7-1	7/4	vs. PHI	B4	Marte not hit by pitch (called strike)	down 1-3	Overturned	16-7
4/29	at ATH	B2	McNeil safe at third (CS)	tied 1-1	Overturned	8-1	7/18	vs. SD	B2	Massey out at first	ahead 2-0	Overturned	17-7
4/29	at ATH	B4	Kurtz safe at home	down 1-4	Overturned	9-1	7/19	vs. SD	B2	Tolbert out at first (double play)	down 1-4	Overturned	18-7
5/3	at SEA	T4	Perez out at home	ahead 2-1	Overturned	10-1	7/19	vs. SD	B4	Tolbert out at second	down 2-7	Overturned	19-7
5/4	vs. CLE	B4	Jensen out at home	tied 2-2	Overturned	11-1	8/9	vs. CHC	B8	Caglianone out at first	down 2-10	Overturned	20-7
5/6	vs. CLE	T5	Hedges safe at second (pickoff)	ahead 1-0	Stands	11-2	8/12	at LAD	T6	Tolbert not hit by pitch (called ball)	down 2-4	Stands	20-8
5/7	vs. CLE	T5	Bazzana hit by pitch	down 0-4	Stands	11-3	8/17	vs. ATH	B5	No catcher's interference	ahead 6-4	Overturned	21-8
5/12	at CWS	T3	Witt Jr. out at first	ahead 2-0	Overturned	12-3	8/18	vs. ATH	B8	Caglianone out at first	down 1-3	Overturned	22-8

ROYALS ABS CHALLENGES - BATTER						
PLAYER	CHALLENGE	WON	LOST	PCT	-K	+BB
Jac Caglianone	8	5	3	62.5%	1	1
Isaac Collins	28	10	18	35.7%	4	1
Maikel Garcia	19	12	7	63.2%	2	0
Kyle Isbel	2	0	2	0.0%	0	0
Carter Jensen	10	7	3	70.0%	3	0
Nick Loftin	17	9	8	52.9%	2	2
Starling Marte	3	2	1	66.7%	2	1
Michael Massey	7	6	1	85.7%	2	1
V. Pasquantino	4	3	1	75.0%	0	1
Salvador Perez	6	5	1	83.3%	1	1
Josh Rojas	2	1	1	50.0%	0	0
Lane Thomas	8	4	4	50.0%	0	0
Tyler Tolbert	1	0	1	0.0%	0	0
Bobby Witt Jr.	12	6	6	50.0%	4	2
TOTALS	127	70	57	55.1%	21	10

ROYALS ABS CHALLENGES - CATCHER						
PLAYER	CHALLENGE	WON	LOST	PCT	+K	-BB
Elias Díaz	9	3	6	33.3%	1	0
Carter Jensen	70	34	36	48.6%	7	8
Luke Maile	3	0	3	0.0%	0	0
Salvador Perez	65	46	19	70.8%	10	6
TOTALS	147	83	64	56.5%	18	14

ROYALS ABS CHALLENGES - PITCHER						
PLAYER	CHALLENGE	WON	LOST	PCT	+K	-BB
Kris Bubic	1	0	1	0.0%	0	0
Seth Lugo	1	0	1	0.0%	0	0
TOTALS	2	0	2	0.0%	0	0

TOMORROW NIGHT’S STARTER: RHP RANDY DOBNAK (2-1, 1.58)

- + **Randy Dobnak** will make his 8th start of the season and the 29th of his career (49th appearance) in tomorrow night’s game vs. the Blue Jays at Rogers Centre.

+ In his most recent start last Thursday vs. the Athletics, Dobnak did not factor into the decision as the Royals won 6-2 after he allowed 6 hits and 4 walks in 4.0 scoreless innings, with 4 strikeouts...in each of his 4 innings of work, Randy allowed multiple baserunners, including loading the bases with 1 out in the 2nd inning...despite the traffic on the base paths, he held the A's to just 1 hit in 7 at-bats with runners in scoring position: a single from **Darrell Hernaiz**... double plays from **Jeff McNeil** in the 1st and **Henry Bolte** in the 4th also kept the Athletics out of the run column...after throwing 96 pitches in his start, he was removed in favor of **Carlos Duran** to begin the 5th inning.

+ Since July 23, Randy has posted a 1.42 ERA (5 ER in 31.2 IP), good for the 5th-best mark in the AL in that span...he has pitched a scoreless outing in 4 of those 6 starts, including each of his last 2 games vs. the Angels and A's, respectively.
- + After being named the Royals Pitcher of the Month for July, he has a 2.29 ERA (5 ER in 19.2 IP) in August, the 2nd-best mark on the team (min. 15.0 IP), trailing only **Noah Cameron's** 1.63 ERA (5 ER in 27.2 IP).

+ Dobnak has never faced the Blue Jays in his career, but across 7 games (4 starts) vs. the American League East he is 0-4 with a 6.59 ERA (20 ER in 27.1 IP) and 9 strikeouts...his last game against an AL East foe came against Tampa Bay on July 2, his Royals debut, when he did not factor into the decision after allowing 2 runs on 6 hits and 1 walk in 4.0 innings, with 2 strikeouts in relief as the Royals lost 5-2.

+ In 4 games (3 starts) away from The K this season, Randy is 1-0 and has not allowed a run across 23.1 innings...his last game on the road came on Aug. 15 at the Angels, when he did not factor into the decision after he allowed 4 hits and 2 walks in 5.2 innings, with 6 strikeouts as the Royals lost 1-0...no one in MLB this season has more innings pitched on the road with 0 runs allowed, as he sits 6.0 innings ahead of 2nd place **Robert Suarez** of the Braves (17.1 IP).

MANAGER MATT QUATRARO (kwuh-TRAIR-roe)

- + **Matt Quatraro** is in his fourth season as Royals Manager...in January, he agreed to an extension that runs through 2029 and includes a club option for 2030...the option would represent his eighth season, which would mark the 2nd-longest tenure in franchise history, trailing only **Ned Yost's** 10 seasons as Manager.

+ His 282 wins are 7th most in franchise history, 4 shy of **Hal McRae** (286) for 6th... he's only 18 wins shy of becoming the fifth Manager in Royals history to reach 300 wins (Yost 746, **Whitey Herzog** 410, **Dick Howser** 404, **Tony Muser** 317).

+ Quatraro led the Royals to back-to-back winning seasons in 2024-25 for the first time since 2013-15...the Royals under Q are the eighth team in the Wild Card Era, according to *Elias*, to have back-to-back winning seasons after a 100-loss campaign.
- + Quatraro led the 2024 Royals to an 86-76 record in his second season as Manager.

+ Q finished runner-up in the 2024 American League Manager of the Year voting.

+ The 2024 Royals were the sixth team in the 162-game Era (since 1961), according to Elias, to have a 30-win improvement from one season to the next (excluding shortened seasons)...they were the third team to make the postseason following a 100-loss season, following the 2017 Minnesota Twins and 2020 Miami Marlins.

+ Before joining the Royals, he spent five years on **Kevin Cash's** staff in Tampa Bay and four seasons on **Terry Francona's** staff in Cleveland...during his 12 full seasons on a big league staff, his teams have reached the postseason seven times.

REPLAY SPECIALIST BILL DUPLISSEA

- + **Bill Duplissea** is in his 21st season with the Royals and has served as the Replay Coordinator since Instant Replay was instituted in 2014...during that time, the Royals 65.4% success rate is 1st in the Majors, ahead of the 2nd-place Yankees (64.0%).

+ Duplissea has overturned 22 of 30 challenges this season (73.3%), which is the best rate in the Majors according to the latest update sent from MLB last Friday.

+ In 12 full seasons of Instant Replay, the Royals have finished in the top 5 in success rate eight times and have finished in the top 10 in all 12 seasons.
- + Duper started with the Royals as a Bullpen Catcher in 2006, then added advance scouting duties in 2012...in his current role, he works closely with the coaching staff in scouting upcoming opponents in, addition to his in-game replay role.

+ Prior to joining the Royals, he spent 2004-05 as an Assistant Coach at the College of San Mateo, helping lead the Bulldogs to conference titles in both seasons.

+ Duplissea was a catcher for five seasons in the Los Angeles Dodgers organization, reaching Triple-A Albuquerque in 2000.

Royals vs. Opponents																														
		AL EAST					AL CENTRAL				AL WEST				NL EAST					NL CENTRAL					NL WEST					
2026	TOT	BAL	BOS	NY Y	TB	TOR	CHW	CLE	DET	MIN	ATH	HOU	LAA	SEA	TEX	ATL	MIA	NYM	PHI	WAS	CHC	CIN	MIL	PIT	STL	AZ	COL	LAD	SD	SF
GAMES	132	6	3	6	7	-	10	7	13	13	7	3	6	6	6	3	-	3	3	3	3	3	3	-	6	-	3	3	3	3
RECORD	58-74	1-5	0-3	0-6	2-5	-	3-7	3-4	7-6	8-5	5-2	1-2	5-1	5-1	1-5	1-2	-	1-2	2-1	1-2	1-2	2-1	1-2	-	3-3	-	0-3	0-3	2-1	3-0
HOME	36-30	1-2	0-3	0-3	0-3	-	2-2	2-2	5-1	4-2	4-0	1-2	3-0	2-1	1-2	-	-	-	2-1	-	1-2	-	1-2	-	2-1	-	-	-	2-1	3-0
ROAD	22-44	0-3	-	0-3	2-2	-	1-5	1-2	2-5	4-3	1-2	-	2-1	3-0	0-3	1-2	-	1-2	-	1-2	-	2-1	-	-	1-2	-	0-3	0-3	-	-
Season Summary															Number of Days in AL Central Standings															
Most Games Over .500															1, last April 1 (3-2)													2		
Most Games Under .500															24 (2x), last Aug. 15 (50-74)													8		
Longest Win Streak															8 G, Aug. 16-active													14		
Longest Losing Streak															8 G, April 12-20													36		
Biggest Lead in ALC															+1.5, April 1													90		
Farthest Behind in ALC															-15.0 (2x), last Aug. 16															
															totals indicate number of days the Royals have held at least a share of that position in the standings															
#	Date/Opp	Time/Final	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	KC W-L	Pos. GA/GB	Att	#	Date/Opp	Time/Final	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	KC W-L	Pos. GA/GB	Att													
1	3/27 at ATL	L 6-0	Sale	Ragans (0-1)	n/a	0-1	T3/-1.5	39,697		6/29 OFF																				
2	3/28 at ATL	L 6-2^	Bido	Estévez (R, 0-1)	n/a	0-2	T4/-1.5	39,362	86	6/30 vs. TB	L 10-4	Jax	Cameron (4-6)	n/a	35-51	5/-11.0	15,014													
3	3/29 at ATL	W 4-1	Lugo (1-0)	Holmes	Erceg (1)	1-2	T3/-1.0	37,961	87	7/1 vs. TB	L 4-0	McClanahan	Lugo (3-6)	n/a	35-52	5/-11.0	13,798													
4	3/30 vs. MIN	W 3-1	Bubic (1-0)	Woods Richardson	Schreiber (1)	2-2	T2/-0.5	39,320	88	7/2 vs. TB	L 5-2	Seymour	Kolek (4-3)	Baker	35-53	5/-11.0	16,814													
	3/31 OFF						T1/+0.5			7/3 OFF						5/-11.5														
5	4/1 vs. MIN	W 13-9	Cameron (1-0)	Ryan	Erceg (2)	3-2	T1/+1.5	10,870	89	7/4 vs. PHI	L 6-1	Luzardo	Wacha (5-6)	n/a	35-54	5/-11.5	30,459													
6	4/2 vs. MIN	L 5-1	Bradley	Ragans (0-2)	n/a	3-3	2/-0.5	11,694	90	7/5 vs. PHI	W 5-2	Avila (4-3)	Nola	Lange (8)	36-54	5/-11.5	14,891													
	4/3 vs. MIL	PPD (rain); makeup scheduled as part of split DH on April 4					2/-1.0		91	7/6 vs. PHI	W 15-1	Cameron (5-6)	Sánchez	n/a	37-54	5/-11.0	13,496													
7	4/4 vs. MIL	L 5-2	Patrick	Avila (1-0)	Megill	3-4		17,055	92	7/7 at NYM	W 16-12	Way (R, 1-0)	Seelinger	n/a	38-54	5/-10.0	32,734													
8		W 8-2	Mears (R, 1-0)	Sproat	Morgan (1)	4-4	T2/-1.0	12,732	93	7/8 at NYM	L 6-2	Raley	Lange (R, 0-5)	n/a	38-55	5/-10.0	32,227													
9	4/5 vs. MIL	L 8-5	Harrison	Bubic (1-1)	Megill	4-5	T2/-1.5	14,584	94	7/9 at NYM	L 7-3	Manaea	Wacha (5-7)	n/a	38-56	5/-10.0	33,868													
10	4/6 at CLE	W 4-2	Wacha (1-0)	Palette	Erceg (3)	5-5	2/-0.5	13,143	95	7/10 at BAL	L 5-3	Garcia	Strahm (R, 3-2)	Kittredge	38-57	5/-11.0	26,993													
11	4/7 at CLE	L 2-1^	Smith	Schreiber (R, 0-1)	n/a	5-6	T2/-1.5	10,328	96	7/11 at BAL	L 6-1	Bradish	Cameron (5-7)	n/a	38-58	5/-12.0	38,958													
12	4/8 at CLE	L 10-2	Cantillo	Ragans (0-3)	Festa	5-7	3/-2.5	14,734	97	7/12 at BAL	L 8-2	Wolfram	Strahm (R, 3-3)	n/a	38-59	5/-13.0	31,355													
13	4/9 vs. CWS	L 2-0	Kay	Lugo (1-1)	Dominguez	5-8	T3/-3.0	13,001	7/13 ALL-STAR BREAK									5/-13.0												
14	4/10 vs. CWS	W 2-0	Bubic (2-1)	Martin	Erceg (4)	6-8	3/-2.0	12,907	7/14 ALL-STAR GAME IN PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA									5/-13.0												
15	4/11 vs. CWS	W 2-0	Wacha (2-0)	Fedde	Erceg (5)	7-8	3/-2.0	16,214	7/15 ALL-STAR BREAK									5/-13.0												
16	4/12 vs. CWS	L 6-5	Leasure	Schreiber (R, 0-2)	Dominguez	7-9	T3/-2.0	20,552	7/16 ALL-STAR BREAK									5/-13.0												
	4/13 OFF						T3/-2.5		98	7/17 vs. SD	W 7-6 (10)^	Erceg (R, 4-3)	Hart	n/a	39-59	5/-13.0	25,884													
17	4/14 at DET	L 2-1	Vest	Mears (R, 1-1)	Jansen	7-10	4/-3.5	16,655	99	7/18 vs. SD	W 6-1	Lynch IV (R, 3-2)	Canning	n/a	40-59	5/-12.0	23,347													
18	4/15 at DET	L 2-1	Finnegan	Morgan (R, 0-1)	Jansen	7-11	4/-3.5	19,609	100	7/19 vs. SD	L 19-2	Matsui	Cameron (5-8)	n/a	40-60	5/-13.0	18,383													
19	4/16 at DET	L 10-9^	Seabold	Erceg (R, 0-1)	n/a	7-12	4/-4.0	15,034	101	7/20 vs. SF	W 4-3^	Lange (R, 1-5)	Kilian	n/a	41-60	5/-13.0	16,411													
20	4/17 at NYY	L 4-2	Doval	Lange (R, 0-1)	Bednar	7-13	T4/-4.0	44,244	102	7/21 vs. SF	W 3-2	Avila (5-3)	Mahle	Lange (9)	42-60	5/-12.0	25,175													
21	4/18 at NYY	L 13-4	Warren	Cameron (1-1)	n/a	7-14	T4/-4.5	42,070	103	7/22 vs. SF	W 5-4	Lugo (4-6)	Hentges	Cruz (1)	43-60	5/-12.0	14,606													
22	4/19 at NYY	L 7-0	Weathers	Ragans (0-4)	n/a	7-15	5/-5.5	40,198	104	7/23 at DET	L 4-3	Anderson	Cruz (R, 2-3)	Finnegan	43-61	5/-12.5	35,548													
23	4/20 vs. BAL	L 7-5 (12)	Nunez	Lange (R, 0-2)	n/a	7-16	5/-5.5	13,589	105	7/24 at DET	L 2-1	Skubal	Way (1-1)	Jansen	43-62	5/-12.5	40,638													
24	4/21 vs. BAL	W 6-5^	Erceg (R, 1-1)	Helsley	n/a	8-16	5/-5.5	15,164	106	7/25 at DET	W 3-2	Lynch IV (R, 4-2)	Waguespack	Lange (10)	44-62	5/-11.5	32,867													
25	4/22 vs. BAL	L 8-6	Bassitt	Wacha (2-1)	Nunez	8-17	5/-5.5	14,175	107	7/26 at DET	W 5-4	Pearson (R, 2-0)	Sommers	Cruz (2)	45-62	5/-11.5	29,489													
	4/23 OFF						5/-5.5			7/27 OFF						5/-11.0														
26	4/24 vs. LAA	W 6-3	Cameron (2-1)	Kikuchi	Erceg (6)	9-17	5/-5.5	19,079	108	7/28 at MIN	L 3-2^	Anderson	Lange (R, 1-6)	n/a	45-63	5/-11.0	21,518													
27	4/25 vs. LAA	W 12-1	Ragans (1-4)	Ureña	n/a	10-17	5/-4.5	22,152	109	7/29 at MIN	W 4-0	Dobnak (1-0)	Ryan	n/a	46-63	5/-11.0	18,728													
28	4/26 vs. LAA	W 11-9 (10)^	Erceg (R, 2-1)	Lucchesi	n/a	11-17	T4/-3.5	11,579	110	7/30 at MIN	L 4-3^	Gómez	Strahm (R, 3-4)	n/a	46-64	5/-12.0	22,944													
	4/27 OFF						5/-3.5		111	7/31 at COL	L 3-1	Sugano	Wacha (5-8)	Romano	46-65	5/-13.0	39,317													
29	4/28 at ATH	W 4-1	Mears (R, 2-1)	Sterner	Erceg (7)	12-17	5/-2.5	9,274	112	8/1 at COL	L 12-6	Feltner	Avila (5-4)	n/a	46-66	5/-13.0	40,216													
30	4/29 at ATH	L 5-2	Severino	Wacha (2-2)	Leiter Jr.	12-18	5/-3.0	9,399	113	8/2 at COL	L 8-1	Freeland	Lugo (4-7)	n/a	46-67	5/-14.0	32,226													
31	4/30 at ATH	L 6-3	Medina	Cameron (2-2)	Perkins	12-19	5/-3.5	9,333	8/3 OFF									5/-14.0												
32	5/1 at SEA	W 7-6	Lynch IV (R, 1-0)	Ferrer	Erceg (8)	13-19	5/-3.5	36,384	114	8/4 vs. MIN	W 8-2	Dobnak (2-0)	Ryan	n/a	47-67	5/-13.0	20,177													
33	5/2 at SEA	W 3-2 (10)	Strahm (R, 1-0)	Criswell	Erceg (9)	14-19	4/-3.5	42,794	115	8/5 vs. MIN	W 2-1	Cameron (6-8)	Minter	Cruz (3)	48-67	5/-12.0	13,439													
34	5/3 at SEA	W 4-1	Bubic (3-1)	Castillo	Lynch IV (1)	15-19	4/-2.5	39,408	116	8/6 vs. MIN	L 4-3	Funderburk	Bummer (R, 1-2)	Gómez	48-68	5/-12.0	16,036													
35	5/4 vs. CLE	W 6-2	Wacha (3-2)	Bibee	n/a	16-19	4/-1.5	16,434	117	8/7 vs. CHC	L 6-4	Gausman	Lynch IV (4-3)	Webb	48-69	5/-12.0	26,083													
36	5/5 vs. CLE	W 5-3	Kolek (1-0)	Williams	Erceg (10)	17-19	T3/-0.5	13,102	118	8/8 vs. CHC	W 6-3	Lugo (5-7)	Holmes	Pearson (2)	49-69	5/-12.0	32,326													
37	5/6 vs. CLE	L 3-1	Cantillo	Avila (R, 0-2)	Smith	17-20	T3/-1.5	13,039	119	8/9 vs. CHC	L 10-2	Boyd	Dobnak (2-1)	n/a	49-70	5/-13.0	24,225													
38	5/7 vs. CLE	L 8-5	Cecconi	Lugo (1-2)	Smith	17-21	4/-2.5	24,892	120	8/10 at LAD	L 6-5	Dreyer	Lange (R, 1-7)	Díaz	49-71	5/-13.5	51,799													
39	5/8 vs. DET	W 4-3^	Erceg (R, 3-1)	Hurter	n/a	18-21	T2/-2.5	29,374	121	8/11 at LAD	L 5-4 (10)^	Halvorsen	Erceg (R, 4-4)	n/a	49-72	5/-13.5	49,958													
40	5/9 vs. DET	W 5-1	Wacha (4-2)	Smith	n/a	19-21	2/-1.5	26,724	122	8/12 at LAD	L 4-2	Lauer	Lynch IV (4-4)	Knack	49-73	5/-14.0	47,578													
41	5/10 vs. DET	L 6-3^	De Jesus	Mears (R, 2-2)	Jansen	19-22	T3/-1.5	17,295	8/13 OFF									5/-14.0												
	5/11 OFF						T3/-2.0		123	8/14 at LAA	W 7-6	Lange (R, 2-7)	Saucedo	Cruz (4)	50-73	5/-14.0	23,139													
42	5/12 at CWS	L 6-5	Dominguez	Strahm (R, 1-1)	Hudson	19-23	T3/-3.0	13,256	124	8/15 at LAA	L 1-0	Detmers	Pearson (R, 2-1)	Joyce	50-74	5/-15.0	30,002													
43	5/13 at CWS	L 6-5	Davis	Lugo (1-3)	Dominguez	19-24	T3/-4.0	11,905	125	8/16 at LAA	W 3-0	Cameron (7-8)	Johnson	n/a	51-74	5/-15.0	28,036													
44	5/14 at CWS	L 6-2	Kay	Bubic (3-2)	Newcomb	19-25	T4/-4.5	14,913	126	8/17 vs. ATH	W 9-5	Wacha (6-8)	Barnett	Cruz (5)	52-74	5/-14.0	12,438													
45	5/15 at STL	L 5-4 (11)^	Graceffo	Cruz (R, 0-1)	n/a	19-26	5/-4.5	26,949	127	8/18 vs. ATH	W 4-3^	Duran (R, 1-0)	Harris	n/a	53-74	5/-13.0	12,009													
46	5/16 at STL	L 4-2	Leahy	Cameron (2-3)	Soriano	19-27	5/-5.5	32,379	128	8/19 vs. ATH	W 9-7	Kimbrel (R, 1-2)	Rom	n/a	54-74	5/-13.0	11,579													
47	5/17 at STL	W 2-0	Kolek (2-0)	Pallante	Erceg (11)	20-27	T4/-5.5	38,051	129	8/20 vs. ATH	W 6-2	Thomas (R, 1-1)	Jump	n/a	55-74	5/-12.0	11,867													
48	5/18 vs. BOS	L 3-1	Gray	Lugo (1-4)	Chapman	20-28	T4/-6.5	15,531	130	8/21 vs. DET	W 5-2	Cameron (8-8)	Melton	Pearson (3)	56-74	5/-12.0	29,535													
49	5/19 vs. BOS	L 7-1	Whitlock	Falder (0-1)	n/a	20-29	T4/-7.5	14,047	131	8/22 vs. DET	W 3-1	Wacha (7-8)	Anderson	Kimbrel (1)	57-74	5/-11.0	23,156													
50	5/20 vs. BOS	L 4-3	Early	Cruz (R, 0-2)	Chapman	20-30	T4/-8.5	14,091	132	8/23 vs. DET																				