



# GAME INFORMATION

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## PITTSBURGH PIRATES (7-5) vs. ST. LOUIS CARDINALS (5-7)

APRIL 13, 2023 at Busch Stadium, St. Louis, MO -- GAME #13/ROAD #7

RHP VINCE VELASQUEZ (0-2, 9.82 ERA) vs. LHP JORDAN MONTGOMERY (2-0, 2.25 ERA)

**THE PIRATES:**...were shut out 7-0 in the deciding game of their three-game series against the Astros Wednesday at PNC Park...Won in walkoff fashion for the first time this season Tuesday night...Have won six of their last nine games...Won a season-high four straight games from 4/3-7...Have not lost back-to-back games since dropping the final two games of their season-opening series in Cincinnati.

**HITTIN' THE ROAD:** Tonight the Pirates will open a four-game series here in St. Louis as part of a seven-game road trip...The trip will continue with three games at Coors Field beginning Monday night...This is the first of two road trips to St. Louis this year (also September 1-3).

**ON THE ROAD:** The Pirates bring a three-game road winning streak into their game tonight after sweeping the Red Sox to close out their last trip from April 3-5...Pittsburgh won four straight games on the road on two occasions last season, doing so from July 9-12 and again from September 12-14.

**AGAINST THE CARDS:** Bryan Reynolds has gone deep twice in his last four games at Busch Stadium and has hit safely in 14 of his last 18 games here...Jack Suwinski has hit safely in eight of his last nine games against the Cards, going 11-for-23 (.393) with three home runs (Suwinski homered four times in 16 games as a rookie last year vs. St. Louis)...Ji Hwan Bae hit safely in four of his five games against the Cardinals last year, going 7-for-16 (.438)...Jason Delay and Canaan Smith-Njigba each made their big league debuts against the Cardinals last year.

**REYNOLDS ON A ROLL:** Bryan Reynolds has hit safely in 11 of his first 12 games coming into today (his only hitless game came on Monday)...Reynolds enters today ranked first in the National League in RBI (14) and total bases (36), tied for second in home runs (five), second in slugging (.735), fourth in OPS (1.093) and ninth in batting (.347).

**ABOUT TONIGHT'S STARTER:** Vince Velasquez will get the start tonight in the opener of this four-game series against the Cardinals...The Pirates signed Velasquez to a one-year contract this past offseason on December 13...Velasquez spent the 2022 campaign with the Chicago White Sox, where he went 3-3 with a 4.78 ERA (75.1ip/40er) in 27 appearances (nine starts).

**SCOUTING REPORT:** Vince Velasquez spent the 2022 season with the White Sox, where he posted the best walk rate (2.99 percent) of his career while splitting time between the starting rotation and bullpen...Velasquez ranked in the 78th percentile in Zone Miss percentage (19.5%), 74th percentile in Batting Average on Balls In Play (.270), 88th percentile of Four-Seam spin rate (2417) and 73rd percentile for average Slider spin rate (2501) among pitchers with at least 75.0 innings pitched last season according to TruMedia.

**PROVIDING RELIEF:** Pittsburgh's bullpen enters today ranked fifth among National League teams in ERA (3.74) and sixth in batting average against (.237)...Pirates relievers have also surrendered a total of three home runs this year...The only five teams in all of MLB to surrender fewer home runs out of the bullpen are the Brewers, Red Sox, Yankees, Cardinals and Rangers with two apiece.

**BACK TO THE NL:** The Pirates ended their stretch of nine straight games against American League opponents with a 7-0 loss yesterday against the Astros...Pittsburgh went 6-3 during the nine games after sweeping Boston at Fenway, taking two of three against the White Sox last weekend and dropping two of three to Houston to close out the homestand.

**DOWN ON THE FARM:** Altoona enters today leading all teams at the Double-A level in home runs (10)...Yesterday Altoona matched its single-game team record with six home runs in a 17-6 win against Erie...Mason Martin went deep twice, while Henry Davis, Lolo Sanchez and Andres Alvarez all added their first home runs of the season in the win...Matt Fraizer also hit his second in as many games in the ninth inning.

**GETTING ON:** Andrew McCutchen has reached base safely in 10 of his first 11 games and enters today fourth in the National League with a .476 on-base percentage...Since going 2-for-11 in his first five games, McCutchen is 8-for-20 (.400) with a 1.058 OPS in his last six games.

**PIRATING:** The Pirates enter today tied for second in the National League along with the Mets and tied for fourth in all of MLB with 14 stolen bases...The only three teams in all of MLB with more stolen bases are the Guardians (19), Diamondbacks (17) and Orioles (17).

**MAKE THAT A DOUBLE:** Andrew McCutchen enters today with 294 career doubles as a member of the Pirates, which is tied with Bill Mazerowski for the eighth-most in club history...Dave Parker ranks seventh (296).

### BUCS WHEN...

Last five games	2-3
Last ten games	6-4
Leading after 6	6-0
Tied after 6	1-0
Trailing after 6	0-5
Leading after 7	6-0
Tied after 7	1-0
Trailing after 7	0-5
Leading after 8	7-0
Tied after 8	0-0
Trailing after 8	0-5
Scoring first	3-2
Opp. score first	4-3
Scoring 4+	6-1
Scoring less than 4	1-4
Outhitting Opp.	4-1
Being out-hit	3-4
Hits are equal	0-0
Comeback wins	5
Wins in final AB	1
Walkoff Wins	1
Walkoff Losses	0
Losses in final AB	0
Extra Inning Games	0-0
Playing errorless	3-4
Homered	6-3
2+ homers	4-0
Series (W-L-T)	2-2-0
Series Sweeps	1
Swept in a Series	0
Interleague	6-3
Before the break	7-5
After the break	0-0
Starter goes 6.0ip+	3-1
Starter goes less than 6.0ip	4-4

### ON THIS DATE IN PIRATES HISTORY

April 13, 1979: John Milner homered twice, including a game-winning, two-run shot in the seventh inning, to lift the Pirates to a 7-6 comeback win over the Cardinals at Three Rivers Stadium. The two bombs by Milner marked the fifth multi-homer game in his career. Jim Bibby earned the win in relief of starter Bruce Kison.

### UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLE PITCHERS

Friday at St. Louis	7:15	RHP Johan Oviedo (1-0, 3.18 ERA) vs. RHP Jake Woodford (0-2, 9.00 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet
Saturday at St. Louis	1:15	RHP Roansy Contreras (1-1, 8.00 ERA) vs. LHP Steven Matz (0-2, 8.18 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet
Sunday at St. Louis	1:15	RHP Mitch Keller (1-0, 3.57 ERA) vs. RHP Miles Mikolas (0-1, 10.05 ERA)	AT&T SportsNet

# 27 - RHP VINCE VELASQUEZ

YEAR	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
2022	3-3	4.78	27	9	0	0	75.1	68	42	40	25	69
2023	0-2	9.82	2	2	0	0	7.1	11	8	8	5	4
M.L. CAREER	34-49	4.98	185	138	1	1	733.2	717	427	406	298	789

**VINCE VELASQUEZ:** The 30-year-old righthander is making his third start of the season...Lost an 11-5 decision (2.2ip/5er) in his last start on Saturday vs. the White Sox.  
**vs. ST. LOUIS:** 1-3 with a 5.67 ERA (33.1ip/21er) in seven career appearances (six starts)...Hasn't faced the RedBirds since 9/17/21 here at Busch when he allowed four runs in 4.0 innings while losing an 8-2 decision against Miles Mikolas...His lone win (6.1ip/0r) vs. the Cards came on 5/17/18 here at Busch while pitching for the Phillies.

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<b>SPRING TOTALS (0-1, 5.79 ERA)</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>183</b>																																													
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<b>APRIL TOTALS (0-2, 9.82 ERA)</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>161</b>																																													

CATCHERS THROWING					
	CS/ATT	%	PICKOFFS	PB	ERA
Delay	0/5	0%	0	1	(55.0ip/37er) 6.05
Hedges	1/2	50%	0	1	(24.0ip/13er) 4.88
Heineman	0/2	0%	0	0	(27.0ip/8er) 2.67

CAUGHT STEALINGS BY PITCHERS	0
PITCHER PICKOFFS	0
SB OFF PITCHERS	1
NO THROWS	0
OTHERS (double steals)	0

TOMORROW'S STARTER	
<b>JOHAN OVIEDO:</b> The 25-year-old righthander will make his third start of the season tomorrow night in game two of this four-game series...Scattered five hits in 5.2 scoreless innings while winning a 1-0 decision in his last start Sunday afternoon against the White Sox at PNC Park...Allowed five runs (4er) in 4.2 innings and had a no-decision in his first start; a 7-6 win on 4/3 at Fenway Park...Has limited right-handed hitters to a .174 batting average against (4-for-23)...Was acquired from St. Louis on 8/2 along with Malcom Nuñez in exchange for Jose Quintana and Chris Stratton.	
<b>vs. ST. LOUIS:</b> 0-1 with a 3.60 ERA (10.0ip/4er) in two starts...He allowed two runs in 6.0 innings, losing a 2-1 decision in his start on 9/30/22 at Busch Stadium...He also allowed three runs (two earned) across 4.0 innings of work and had a no-decision at PNC Park on 10/5/22.	

## 2023 HIGHS & LOWS

TEAM BATTING	
Most runs, game, Pirates	13, (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most runs, game, Opponents	11, (4/8 vs. CWS)
Most runs, inning, Pirates	5, 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most runs, inning, Opponents	5, 4/8 vs. CWS (7th) & 4/3 at BOS (1st)
Most hits, game, Pirates	19, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most hits, game, Opponents	14, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most hits, inning, Pirates	4, 4 times, last on 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most consec. hits, inning	4, 3 times, last on 4/7 vs. CWS (5th)
Most consec. hits, game	4, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most hits, inning, Opponents	6, 4/8 vs. CWS (7th)
Fewest hits, game, Pirates	2, 4/9 vs. CWS
Fewest hits, game, Opponents	4, 4/4 at BOS
Most doubles, game	5, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most triples, game	1, 4/9 vs. CWS & 4/7 vs. CWS
Most home runs, game, Pirates	3, 4/11 vs. HOU & 4/3 at BOS
Most home runs, game, Opponents	4, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most consecutive games, home run	6, 4/2-8
Most consec. games, HR, Opponents	3, 3/30-4/2
Most extra-base hits	8, 4/7 vs. CWS
Most consecutive games, extra-base hit	12, 3/30-4/12
Most stolen bases, game, Pirates	3, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most stolen bases, game, Opponents	3, 4/8 vs. CWS
Most left on base	9, 4/5 at BOS & 3/30 at CIN
Most left on base (extra innings)	

  

TEAM PITCHING	
Most strikeouts, game, Pirates	15, 3/30 at CIN
Most strikeouts, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents	12, 4/1 at CIN
Most strikeouts, game, Opponents (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Pirates	8, 4/10 vs. HOU
Most walks, game, Pirates (extra innings)	
Most walks, game, Opponents	9, 3/30 at CIN

  

TEAM MISCELLANEOUS	
Longest winning streak	4 games (4/3-7)
Longest losing streak	2 games (4/1-2)
Longest game, innings	9 innings
Longest game, time	3:04, 4/8 vs. CWS
Longest game, time, 9 innings	3:04, 4/8 vs. CWS
Shortest game, time, 9 innings	2:16, 4/1 at CIN
Largest margin of victory	4 runs, 4/7 vs. CWS (13-9)
Largest margin of defeat	7 runs, 4/12 vs. HOU (0-7)
Largest come from behind victory	3 runs, 4/7 vs. CWS
Largest come from behind loss	1 run, 4/8 vs. CWS & 4/1 at CIN

Largest crowd, home	39,167 (4/7 vs. CWS)
Smallest crowd, home	9,956 (4/11 vs. HOU)
Largest crowd, road	44,063 (3/30 at CIN)
Smallest crowd, road	14,421 (4/2 at CIN)
Most errors, game, Pirates	2, 4/4 at BOS
Most errors, game, Opponents	2, 4/5 at BOS
Consecutive innings w/out an error	25, 3/30-4/2
Most double plays turned	2, 4/8 vs. CWS
Rain delays, home (total time)	
Rain delays, road (total time)	
Players used	28

  

INDIVIDUAL BATTING	
Most hits, game	4, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most consecutive hits	4, Bae (4/5-7)
Most runs, game	3, Reynolds (4/7 vs. CWS & 4/3 at BOS)
Most 2bs, game	3, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most 3bs, game	1, Smith-Njigba (4/9 vs. CWS) & Reynolds, (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most HR, game	2, Reynolds (4/3 at BOS)
Most extra-base hits	3, Joe (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most total bases	9, Reynolds (4/3 at BOS)
Most RBI, game	6, Reynolds (4/7 vs. CWS)
Most SB, game	2, Bae (3/30 at CIN)
Most walks, game	3, McCutchen (3/30 at CIN)
Consec. games, home run	3, Reynolds (4/2-4)
Longest hitting streak	9 games, Reynolds (3/30-4/9)
Grand slams	
Inside-the-park home runs	
Leadoff home runs	
Walkoff home runs	1, Bae (4/11 vs. HOU)

  

INDIVIDUAL PITCHING	
Most strikeouts, game	8, Keller (3/30 at CIN)
Longest winning streak	
Longest losing streak	2 games, Hill (4/1-12) & Velásquez (4/2-8)
Fewest hits, complete game	4, 4 times, last by Contreras (4/10 vs. HOU)
Most walks, game	7.0, Keller (4/5 at BOS)
Most IP, game, starter	2.2, Crowe (4/10 vs. HOU) & De Jong (4/8 vs. CWS)
Most IP, game, reliever	6.0, Keller (4/5)
Most consec. scoreless IP	6.0, Keller (4/5)
Most consecutive saves	4, Bednar (3/30-4/9)

<b>JI HWAN BAE</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 1-8 (.125) 1 HR 3 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Hit safely in four of five games last year against the Cardinals, going 7-for-16 (.438) with a double and four RBI.</li> <li>☒ Made his first start/appearance at shortstop in his big league career Wednesday against the Astros.</li> <li>☒ Recorded the first walkoff of his big league career with a three-run homer off Houston's Ryan Pressly Tuesday night.</li> <li>☒ Took Boston's Nick Pivetta deep for his first career HR on 4/4; an opposite-field 359-foot shot over the Green Monster.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 2-6 (.333) 0 HR vs. RHP: 6-29 (.207) 2 HR Home: 4-17 (.235) 1 HR Road: 4-18 (.222) 1 HR Last HR: 4/11/23 vs. HOU
<b>RODOLFO CASTRO</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 3-6 (.500) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 2 games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Recorded his second multi-hit game of the season Tuesday while starting at short for the second straight night.</li> <li>☒ Knocked in his first run of the season Monday...Went 1-for-12 in his first seven games of the season.</li> <li>☒ Is 5-for-9 in his last four games...Hit 11 home runs in 71 games with the Pirates in 2022.</li> <li>☒ Went hitless in his first three starts...Has made nine appearances at second base and four at shortstop.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 2-5 (.400) 0 HR vs. RHP: 4-16 (.250) 0 HR Home: 5-9 (.556) 0 HR Road: 1-12 (.083) 0 HR Last HR: 9/20/22 at NY
<b>JI MAN CHOI</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 3-11 (.273) 2 HR 2 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 2 games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Is 5-for-13 with two doubles, a homer and four RBI in four career games against the Cardinals.</li> <li>☒ Went deep for the second time in two nights on Tuesday while also doubling in his first at-bat of the game.</li> <li>☒ Connected for his first homer as a Pirate on Monday with a 407-foot solo shot to left-center field.</li> <li>☒ His 63 career homers are the second-most in MLB history among Korean-born players (Shin-Soo Choo is first - 218).</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 1-4 (.250) 1 HR vs. RHP: 3-23 (.130) 1 HR Home: 3-15 (.200) 2 HR Road: 1-12 (.083) 0 HR Last HR: 4/11/23 vs. HOU
<b>JASON DELAY</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 0-8 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Made his MLB debut in game one of a doubleheader at Busch last year on 6/14 (walked in first plate appearance).</li> <li>☒ Singled in each of his first three at-bats in Pittsburgh's Home Opener for the first three-hit game of his career.</li> <li>☒ Is hitless in his last three games after hitting safely in each of his first three games of the season.</li> <li>☒ Connected for his second career homer on 4/3 (and first since 7/22/22) while making his first start of the year.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 1-5 (.250) 0 HR vs. RHP: 4-17 (.235) 1 HR Home: 3-13 (.231) 0 HR Road: 2-8 (.250) 1 HR Last HR: 4/3/23 at BOS
<b>KE'BRYAN HAYES</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-11 (.182) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Went 2-for-4 with a double and run scored Tuesday night for his second multi-hit game of the year.</li> <li>☒ Is 21-for-26 in stolen base attempts since the beginning of last season (recorded his first of 2023 Tuesday).</li> <li>☒ Has been charged with one error (came on 8/31) in his last 50 games dating back to 8/6.</li> <li>☒ Led all players in MLB last season in Defensive Runs Saved (24) according to the Fielding Bible.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 1-9 (.122) 0 HR vs. RHP: 6-38 (.158) 0 HR Home: 4-23 (.174) 0 HR Road: 3-24 (.125) 0 HR Last HR: 9/13/22 at CIN
<b>TYLER HEINEMAN</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Went hitless in three at-bats while starting at catcher Wednesday afternoon against the Astros.</li> <li>☒ Started behind the plate in Sunday's 1-0 shutout against the White Sox while also going hitless in three at-bats.</li> <li>☒ Went 1-for-3 with a walk and stolen base on 4/4 (his third career stolen base and first since 6/11/22).</li> <li>☒ Had his contract selected on 4/4 from Triple-A Indy after Austin Hedges was placed on the concussion IL.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR Home: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR Road: 1-3 (.333) 0 HR Last HR: 9/26/19 at NY
<b>CONNOR JOE</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 4-10 (.400) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Went 0-for-3 with a walk while making the start in right field Wednesday against the Astros.</li> <li>☒ Had a career-high tying four hits (also 6/16/22) and career-high three doubles Pittsburgh's Home Opener on 4/7.</li> <li>☒ Has gone 7-for-17 with three doubles and a pair of RBI in his first five starts.</li> <li>☒ Has made three starts in right field, two in left field and one appearance at first base (4/2).</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 2-4 (.500) 0 HR vs. RHP: 5-15 (.333) 0 HR Home: 4-11 (.364) 0 HR Road: 3-9 (.333) 0 HR Last HR: 9/18/22 at CHI
<b>MARK MATHIAS</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Started at second base Wednesday afternoon while going hitless in three at-bats.</li> <li>☒ Started at second base while going hitless in three at-bats in his Pirates debut Monday vs. Houston.</li> <li>☒ Was hitting .333 (10-for-30) with a .926 OPS in nine games at Triple-A Indy at the time of his promotion Monday.</li> <li>☒ Was acquired by the Pirates from Texas on 3/8 for a player to be named (pitcher Ricky DeVito on 3/10).</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 0-3 (.000) 0 HR Home: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR Road: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR Last HR: 9/14/22 vs. OAK
<b>ANDREW McCUTCHEN</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 1-7 (.143) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Enters today ninth in all of Major League Baseball (fourth in the National League) with a .476 on-base percentage.</li> <li>☒ Is hitting .400 (10-for-25) vs. righties; tied for the 7th-highest avg. in the NL with Bryan Reynolds &amp; Elias Diaz.</li> <li>☒ Ended his three-hit night Saturday with a home run in the ninth inning for his first as a Pirate since 9/26/17.</li> <li>☒ Is 8-for-20 over his last six games after starting off 2-for-11 in his first five contests.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 0-6 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 10-25 (.400) 1 HR Home: 6-16 (.375) 1 HR Road: 4-15 (.267) 0 HR Last HR: 4/8/23 vs. CWS
<b>BRYAN REYNOLDS</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-12 (.167) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 2 games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Was named the National League Player-of-the-Week Monday for the week of 4/3-9 (his first weekly honors).</li> <li>☒ Has homered twice in his last four games at Busch (has also hit safely in 14 of his last 18 games here).</li> <li>☒ Ranks first in the NL with 14 RBI...His six straight games with an RBI from 4/2-8 is the longest in MLB this year.</li> <li>☒ His next double will be his 100th...Ranks 12th in the NL since the beginning of 2019 with 197 extra base hits.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR vs. RHP: 16-40 (.400) 5 HR Home: 7-25 (.280) 1 HR Road: 10-24 (.417) 4 HR Last HR: 4/7/23 vs. CWS
<b>CARLOS SANTANA</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-11 (.182) 0 HR 0 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 2 games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Ranks 12th all-time in homers (280) among switch hitters (Bernie Williams &amp; Bobby Bonilla are tied for 10th with 287).</li> <li>☒ Has batted cleanup in all 12 of his games...Recorded Pittsburgh's only extra base hit Wednesday with a double.</li> <li>☒ Homered in back-to-back games on 4/5 and 4/7 (the 32nd time in his career he has done in at least two straight games).</li> <li>☒ Has made 11 of his 12 starts at first base...Has made one error at first base in his last 59 games (since 6/5).</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 4-8 (.500) 0 HR vs. RHP: 6-37 (.162) 1 HR Home: 6-22 (.273) 0 HR Road: 4-23 (.174) 1 HR Last HR: 4/7/23 vs. CWS
<b>CANAAN SMITH -NJIGBA</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 1-6 (.167) 0 HR 1 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 0-for-6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Doubled off Giovanny Gallegos in his first career plate appearance in his MLB debut at Busch on 6/14/22 (game one).</li> <li>☒ Recorded his third RBI of the season Tuesday while making the start in right field.</li> <li>☒ Tripled in his first at-bat on Sunday and later scored in his first game played at PNC Park in his career.</li> <li>☒ Recorded his first career multi-RBI game after delivering a two-run double in the first inning on 4/3 at Boston.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 0-1 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 3-17 (.176) 0 HR Home: 1-6 (.167) 0 HR Road: 2-12 (.167) 0 HR Last HR: No MLB HR
<b>JACK SUWINSKI</b> ROAD TRIP: 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI SERIES 0-0 (.000) 0 HR 0 RBI LAST 3: 2-9 (.222) 1 HR 3 RBI CURRENT STREAK: 2 games	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Hit safely in eight of his last nine games against the Cards last year, going 11-for-23 (.393) with three homers.</li> <li>☒ Connected for his first homer of the year Tuesday with a two-run blast off Astros starter Cristian Javier.</li> <li>☒ Recorded the only RBI in Sunday's win on a sacrifice fly...Has made five starts in center and two in right.</li> <li>☒ Finished 2022 tied for the National League lead in home runs (19) among rookies with Atlanta's Michael Harris II.</li> </ul>	vs. LHP: 0-2 (.000) 0 HR vs. RHP: 3-21 (.143) 1 HR Home: 2-14 (.143) 1 HR Road: 1-9 (.111) 0 HR Last HR: 4/11/23 vs. HOU

<b>DAVID BEDNAR</b>	☞ Is tied for the MLB lead in saves with four along with Toronto's Jordan Romano, San Diego's Josh Hader and Clay Holmes of the Yankees.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 5-22 .227	☞ Recorded the win in Tuesday's walkoff against the Astros while also allowing two runs (1er) in his first blown save of the year.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0	☞ Struck out two of the four batters he faced in the ninth inning while earning his fourth save in Sunday's 1-0 win vs. the White Sox.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 5/4	☞ Has allowed two hits in 12 at-bats with runners on base...Has made three scoreless appearances on the road.

<b>WIL CROWE</b>	☞ Struck out three batters while also stranding his inherited runner in 2.2 scoreless innings in his last outing Monday against the Astros.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 5-28 .179	☞ Closed out Pittsburgh's Home Opener on 4/7 by recording his first save of the season while allowing two runs in 3.0 innings vs. the White Sox.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 1/0	☞ Worked 2.0 scoreless innings (2h/1bb/0so) in his season debut on 4/2 against the Reds.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 3/3	☞ Finished third among all National League relievers in innings pitched (74.0) last year (his 1347 pitches thrown paced NL relievers).

<b>CHASE DE JONG</b>	☞ Allowed a pair of runs on three hits in 1.2 innings in his last outing Wednesday vs. Houston (also stranded his two inherited runners).
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 7-23 .304	☞ Stranded his two inherited runners while also allowing one run in 2.2 innings in his second appearance on 4/8 against the White Sox.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 4/0	☞ Allowed three runs in 2.0 innings in his season debut on 4/1 on a pinch-hit home run by Cincinnati's Jake Fraley in the sixth inning.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 3/1	☞ Ranked fourth among all NL relievers last season in innings pitched (71.2) while making 42 appearances with the Pirates.

<b>JOSE HERNANDEZ</b>	☞ Has been scored upon once in his first five games...Tossed a scoreless ninth inning in his last outing Wednesday vs. Houston.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 6-24 .250	☞ Was scored upon for the first time after allowing one run on four hits in 2.0 innings Monday night against the Astros.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 1/0	☞ Retired each of the six batters he faced while also recording a pair of strikeouts in his appearance on 4/8 against the White Sox.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 5/5	☞ Faced a total of four batters while tossing a scoreless eighth inning in his Major League debut on 4/1 at Cincinnati.

<b>COLIN HOLDERMAN</b>	☞ Faced four batters while tossing a scoreless inning Tuesday vs. Houston...Has made each of his five appearances in the eighth inning.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 3-17 .159	☞ Has retired nine of the 10 batters he has faced in his last three outings...Has not allowed a home run in the first 33.1 innings of his career.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0	☞ Has been scored upon in three of his 14 outings since being acquired by Pittsburgh (five of his eight runs allowed came in his outing on 8/24).
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 5/3	☞ Went 4-0 with a 2.04 ERA (17.2ip/4er) in 15 appearances with the Mets before being acquired by Pittsburgh on 7/22/22 for Daniel Vogelbach.

<b>DAURI MORETA</b>	☞ Was scored upon for the first time this season after allowing three runs in 0.1 inning in his outing Wednesday vs. Houston.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 4-19 .211	☞ Struck out the only batter he faced (Yasmani Grandal) in his outing Sunday...Has not allowed any of his six inherited runners to score.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 6/0	☞ Picked up the first win of his big league career in Pittsburgh's Home Opener while working a career-high tying 2.0 scoreless innings.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 6/4	☞ Allowed just one hit in his first five appearances (4.2ip)...Was acquired from Cincinnati on 11/18/22 for infielder Kevin Newman.

<b>DUANE UNDERWOOD, JR.</b>	☞ Has been scored upon once in his first five appearances...Tossed a scoreless seventh inning in his last outing Tuesday vs. Houston.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 6-20 .300	☞ Faced three batters in 1.0 scoreless inning for his second career save on 4/5 at Boston (his other save came on 9/13/22).
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 4/3	☞ Worked 1.1 scoreless innings while picking up his first win of the year on 4/3 at Fenway Park.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 5/1	☞ Surrendered just one home run during the 2022 season, averaging 0.16 per 9.0 innings pitched (his only homer allowed came on 7/29).

<b>ROB ZASTRYZNY</b>	☞ Tossed a 1-2-3 ninth inning while throwing a total of nine pitches in his last outing Monday night against the Astros.
<b>BA AGAINST:</b> 5-20 .250	☞ Needed a total of eight pitches to get through a scoreless eighth inning in his appearance on 4/5 against the Red Sox.
<b>INHERITED RUNNERS/SCORED:</b> 0/0	☞ Has been scored upon twice in his first six outings...Pitched for Canada in this year's World Baseball Classic.
<b>1ST BAT FACED/RET:</b> 6/3	☞ Worked 1.1 scoreless innings while earning the win in his Pirates debut on Opening Day in Cincinnati (his first win since 6/19/18).

Runs By Inning											
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Xtra	Total
Bucs	5	9	6	12	7	3	3	2	4	0	51
Opps	13	6	11	4	6	4	10	2	4	0	60

THE LAST TIME...	
The Pirates Hit Back-to-Back HRs.....	6/30/22 vs. MIL (Suwinski & Cruz)
The Pirates Hit a Grand Slam.....	4/10/22 at STL (Chavis)
The Pirates Hit an Inside-The-Park HR.....	5/21/22 at STL (Reynolds)
The Pirates Hit a Leadoff HR.....	5/13/22 vs. CIN (Gamel)
The Pirates Hit Back-to-Back HR's Leading Off Game.....	9/23/20 vs. CHI (Frazier & Hayes)
The Pirates Hit a Leadoff Inside-The-Park HR.....	4/20/12 vs. STL (Presley)
The Pirates Hit a Pinch-Hit Grand Slam.....	8/24/19 vs. CIN (Moran)
The Pirates Hit Three HR's in One Inning.....	5/7/22 at CIN - 2 (Reynolds, Tsutsugo & Castillo)
The Pirates Hit Three Consecutive HR's in One Inning.....	5/24/17 at ATL (Freese, Osuna & Mercer)
The Pirates Hit Four HR's in One Inning.....	8/20/03 at STL (Sanders-2, Kendall & Giles)
The Pirates Hit Five Home Runs in a Game.....	6/30/22 vs. MIL (Perez-3, Cruz & Suwinski)
The Pirates Hit Six Home Runs in a Game.....	4/14/14 at CIN
The Pirates Hit Seven Home Runs in a Game.....	8/20/03 at STL (club record, done 3 times)
The Pirates Allowed A Leadoff HR.....	India, 4/1/23 at CIN
The Pirates Were Walked Off.....	9/20/22 at NYY
The Pirates Were Walked Off By A Home Run.....	Stanton, 9/20/22 at NYY
A Pirate Hit A HR Into The Allegheny River.....	Cruz, 9/6/22 vs. NY

2023 Walkoff Wins	
1. Ji Hwan Bae	three-run home run in 9th (4/11 vs HOU)

Pirates vs. St. Louis										
	2023					CAREER				
	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI
Bae	.000	0	0	0	0	.438	16	7	0	4
Castro	.000	0	0	0	0	.158	57	9	1	3
Choi	.000	0	0	0	0	.385	13	5	1	4
Delay	.000	0	0	0	0	.222	18	4	0	2
Hayes	.000	0	0	0	0	.240	125	30	1	10
Heineman	.000	0	0	0	0	.095	21	2	0	0
Joe	.000	0	0	0	0	.133	15	2	0	0
Mathias	.000	0	0	0	0	.250	4	1	0	0
McCutchen	.000	0	0	0	0	.267	673	180	16	72
Reynolds	.000	0	0	0	0	.249	229	57	6	30
Santana	.000	0	0	0	0	.172	87	15	3	10
Smith-Njigba	.000	0	0	0	0	.200	5	1	0	0
Suwinski	.000	0	0	0	0	.260	50	13	4	8
	W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER	W-L-S	ERA	G	IP	ER
Bednar	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-3	0.50	14	18.0	1
Contreras	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	5.02	4	14.1	8
Crowe	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	2-3-0	4.40	9	28.2	14
De Jong	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-2-0	5.59	6	9.2	6
Hernandez	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0
Hill	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	4-2-0	4.50	10	44.0	22
Holderman	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	0.00	2	2.0	0
Keller	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	2-1-0	3.38	8	42.2	16
Moreta	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	0.00	5	6.2	0
Oviedo	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-1-0	3.60	2	10.0	4
Underwood Jr.	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-0-0	3.82	22	30.2	13
Velasquez	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	1-3-0	5.67	7	33.1	21
Zastrzyny	0-0-0	----	0	0.0	0	0-0-0	9.00	1	1.0	1



<b>2023 Injured List (6 players, 6 appearances)</b>				
<b>Player (injury)</b>	<b>On IL</b>	<b>Date Eligible</b>	<b>Off IL</b>	<b>^ Games Missed</b>
Max Kranick (TJ surgery on 6/3/22) *	3/8	5/7	---	7-5
JT Brubaker (R elbow discomfort)*	3/30 (retro to 3/27)	5/26	---	7-5
Jarlín García (nerve injury in upper L arm)	3/30	5/29	---	7-5
Robert Stephenson (R elbow inflammation)	3/30 (retro to 3/27)	4/11	---	7-5
Austin Hedges (concussion)	4/4	4/11	---	5-3
Oneil Cruz (L ankle fracture)*	4/10	6/9	---	1-2
* 60-day	^ Team record in games missed			

<b>2023 Ejections</b>

<b>MOST RECENT TRANSACTIONS</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>TRANSACTION</b>
3/30	<b>Jason Delay</b> (C) and <b>Rob Zastryzny</b> (LHP) contracts selected from Indianapolis... <b>Jarlín García</b> (LHP) placed on 60-day injured list... <b>Ryan Vilade</b> (OF) designated for assignment... <b>JT Brubaker</b> (RHP) and <b>Robert Stephenson</b> (RHP) placed on 15-day injured list (retro to 3/27).
3/31	<b>Robert Stephenson</b> (RHP) begins rehab assignment with Indianapolis.
4/2	<b>Edwin Uceta</b> (RHP) claimed off waivers from Detroit and optioned to Indianapolis... <b>JT Brubaker</b> (RHP) transferred from 15- to 60-day injured list.
4/4	<b>Austin Hedges</b> (C) placed on seven-day concussion injured list... <b>Tyler Heineman</b> (C) selected from Indianapolis... <b>Edwin Uceta</b> (RHP) designated for assignment... <b>Ryan Vilade</b> (OF) cleared waivers and outrighted to Indianapolis.
4/6	<b>Edwin Uceta</b> (RHP) claimed off waivers by New York (NL).
4/10	<b>Oneil Cruz</b> (INF) placed on 10-day injured list... <b>Mark Mathias</b> (INF) recalled from Indianapolis.
4/11	<b>Eli Villalobos</b> (RHP) claimed off waivers from Miami and optioned to Indianapolis... <b>Oneil Cruz</b> transferred from 10- to 60-day injured list.