

# CHRIS ARCHER

RIGHT-HANDED PITCHER • #24

**AGE:** 29 (turns 30 on Sept. 26)

**BORN:** 9/26/88 in Clayton, NC

**RESIDES:** Clayton, NC

**HEIGHT/WEIGHT:** 6-2/195

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**BATS/THROWS:** R/R

**M.L. SERVICE:** 4 years, 156 days (prior to 2018)

**OBTAINED:** From Tampa Bay, 7/31/18, in deal for pitcher Tyler Glasnow, outfielder Austin Meadows and a player to be named



## AWARDS & HONORS:

- Two-time American League All-Star (2017 & 2015).
- Participated in 2017 World Baseball Classic (United States).
- 2015 American League Player-of-the-Week (June 1-7).
- American League Pitcher-of-the-Month (July 2013).
- American League Rookie-of-the-Month (July 2013).
- Tampa Bay's Minor League Pitcher-of-the-Year in 2012.
- 2011 Southern League All-Star (mid-season).
- Chicago's (NL) Minor League Pitcher-of-the-Year in 2010.

## THIS SEASON:

Became the first pitcher in Rays history to make four straight Opening Day starts; allowed four runs in 6.0 innings on 3/29 vs. Boston, but had a no-decision in Tampa Bay's 6-4 comeback win...Allowed a season-high seven runs while being charged with his first loss on 4/14 vs. Philadelphia...Was placed on the 10-day disabled list on 6/5 with a left abdominal strain...Made one rehab start with Single-A Charlotte of the Florida State League on 7/3 before being reinstated

from the D.L. on 7/9...Recorded 13 strikeouts on 7/22 vs. Miami; the second-highest total in his career and the ninth time in Rays history a starter recorded 13 or more strikeouts...Allowed four runs (3er) and was charged with a loss in his final appearance with Tampa Bay on 7/27...Was acquired by Pittsburgh on 7/31 in exchange for pitcher Tyler Glasnow, outfielder Austin Meadows and a player to be named.

## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:

**2017:** Was named to the American League All-Star team for the second time in his career...Pitched for Team USA in the World Baseball Classic...Tied Kevin Gausman for the Major League lead in starts while becoming the second Rays pitcher to make at least 30 starts in four straight years (James Shields made at least 30 in six straight years from 2007-2012)... Became the third Rays pitcher with three straight years of 200 innings pitched, joining James Shields (six straight from 2007-2012) and David Price (three straight from 2010-12)...Was also one of five pitchers in MLB to throw at least 200 innings in each of the last three seasons, joining Max Scherzer, Jeff Samardzija, Chris Sale and Corey Kluber...Ranked fourth in MLB in strikeouts behind Chris Sale (308), Max Scherzer (268) and Corey Kluber (268)...Ranked sixth in the American League in innings, third in strikeouts per 9.0 innings (11.15) and tied for first in wild pitches... Became the first pitcher in Major League history with three straight losing seasons despite recording at least 200 strikeouts each year...Tied the club record with nine double-digit strikeout performances (he also did it in 2015 while David Price accomplished it in 2014)...Started Team USA's opening game on 3/10 vs. Colombia and retired all 12 batters he faced on 41 pitches (30 strikes); returned to the Rays after the game while Team USA went on to win its first WBC championship...Made third straight Opening Day start on 4/2 vs. the Yankees, joining James Shields (2008-10) as the only Rays pitchers to do so...Recorded his first career Opening Day win after winning a 7-3 decision against Masahiro Tanaka...Threw the first pitch of the MLB's 2017 campaign, becoming the second Rays pitcher to do so (also Victor Zambrano in 2004 vs. the Yankees in Tokyo)...Won a 10-5 decision on 4/14 at Boston; snapped an 11-game losing streak against the Sox...Recorded 58 strikeouts in May, breaking David Price's club record for any month (54 in June of 2014); his 58 strikeouts for May tied Boston's Chris Sale for the A.L. lead and tied for second in the Majors behind Washington's Max Scherzer (60)...Recorded a win on 7/4 at Chicago (NL) while picking up his first career hit

and RBI on a fourth-inning RBI-single off Jon Lester (snapped an 0-for-23 streak to begin his career)...Was added to the American League All-Star roster, but did not pitch...Recorded his 1000th career strikeout on 8/17 at Toronto after fanning Ezequiel Carrera in the fourth inning (joined James Shields and David Price as the only Rays to reach the milestone)...Accomplished the 1000 strikeouts in 928.2 innings...According to the Elias Sports Bureau, he became the ninth pitcher in Major League history to reach 1000 strikeouts in as few as 154 games, joining Kerry Wood (134), Tim Lincecum (136), Roger Clemens (143), Stephen Strasburg (144), Dwight Gooden (145), Hideo Nomo (147), Corey Kluber (148) and Randy Johnson (152).

**2016:** Finished second in the American League in strikeouts while leading the league in losses (his 19 losses were a club single-season record)...Also finished tied for fourth in the league in starts, eighth in walks, second in strikeouts per 9.0 innings (10.42) and tied for fifth in wild pitches...Made six starts with at least 10 strikeouts; the third-most in the A.L. behind Justin Verlander (eight) and David Price (seven)...Went 3-10 at home but led the league with a 2.65 home ERA...Made second straight Opening Day start on 4/3 vs. Toronto; lost a 5-3 decision, but his 12 strikeouts set a club record for Opening Day and were the most in the Majors on Opening Day since Seattle's Felix Hernandez on 4/2/07 vs. Oakland...Also became the first pitcher to record at least 12 strikeouts on Opening Day and lose since St. Louis' Bob Gibson in 1975 vs. Montreal.

**2015:** Was named to the All-Star team for the first time in his career...Set a club record for strikeouts, which ranked second in the American League and fourth in the Majors...Led the Majors in starts, which also tied a club record...Became the seventh pitcher in the modern era to record 250 strikeouts in a season without posting a winning record...Finished fifth in voting for the Cy Young Award with 29 points in the 7-4-3-2-1 voting system...Did not allow an earned run in 10 of his 34 starts, which was a club record and tied

for the most in the American League with Houston's Dallas Keuchel and Texas' Yovani Gallardo...Made nine starts with at least 10 strikeouts, tying the club record and ranking second in the American League behind Chicago's Chris Sale (13)...Made first career Opening Day start on 4/6 vs. Baltimore, but lost a 6-2 decision to Chris Tillman...Led the league with 37 strikeouts in April and ranked third with a 0.84 ERA; a club record for April and the second-lowest in any month in club history behind his own 0.73 ERA in July of 2013...Compiled streaks of 28.2 innings and a club-record four starts without allowing an earned run from 4/11-26...Won a career-high six straight decisions from 5/17 to 6/23...Became the first Rays pitcher with 12 strikeouts or more in back-to-back games on 5/27 and 6/2, and the second pitcher in the modern era to record at least 12 strikeouts with no walks in back-to-back starts (also 19-year-old Dwight Gooden in 1984)...Became the first pitcher in the modern era to record 10-plus strikeouts and no walks in three consecutive starts (5/27 to 6/7); went 3-0 with a 0.39 ERA during the three-start stretch...Was named the American League Player-of-the-Week for the week of 6/1-7...Recorded 15 strikeouts on 6/2 at Los Angeles (AL); tying James Shields' single-game club record while setting a club record for strikeouts in a road game...Lost a 2-1 decision to Detroit's Justin Verlander on 7/29 despite the longest perfect game bid in Rays history (retired his first 19 batters until Jose Iglesias' infield single in the seventh inning); Archer and Verlander combined to retire the first 29 batters of the game - a first since 7/28/91, according to the Elias Sports Bureau when Montreal's Dennis Martinez threw a perfect game at Los Angeles to beat Mike Morgan, 2-0...Tossed third career shutout on 8/20 at Houston in a 1-0 victory...Became the first American League pitcher to throw a one-hit shutout with 10-plus strikeouts and fewer than 100 pitches since New York's David Cone's perfect game on 7/18/99 vs. Montreal...Struck out seven consecutive batters on 9/11 vs. Boston to tie the club record (also Andy Sonnanstine on 6/10/07 at Florida)...Was selected to the All-Star Game by the player ballot; pitched a scoreless fifth inning before allowing a leadoff homer to Andrew McCutchen in the sixth inning.

## MINOR LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS:

**2012:** Was named Tampa Bay's Minor League Pitcher-of-the-Year...Led the International League and all Rays minor leaguers in strikeouts.

**2010:** Was named Minor League Pitcher-of-the-Year in the Cubs system after going a combined 15-3 with a 2.34 ERA...Ranked third among all minor leaguers in wins, seventh in ERA and third in batting average

**2014:** Led the Rays in starts and innings pitched in his first full season in the big leagues...Made 16 starts allowing one earned run or fewer, tying Seattle's Felix Hernandez and Kansas City's Danny Duffy for the American League lead...Allowed a club-record 0.55 home runs per 9.0 innings...Ranked fourth in the league with a 1.95 ERA (37.0ip/8er) in June and set a club record, broken by Erasmo Ramirez (1.44 in 2015)...Signed an eight-year contract extension with Tampa Bay on 4/2; the first six years guaranteed with club options for the 2020 and 2021 seasons.

**2013:** Finished third in the voting for American League Rookie-of-the-Year behind teammate Wil Myers and Boston/Detroit's Jose Iglesias...Finished with 35 points in the 5-3-1 point system; the most among A.L. pitchers...Led A.L. rookies in ERA (minimum 100.0ip), 1.13 WHIP, .226 batting average against, complete games and shutouts...Won American League Pitcher-of-the-Month honors in July and Rookie-of-the-Month award after going 4-0 with a 0.73 ERA (37.0ip/3er) over five starts...Became the third Rays pitcher to be named Rookie-of-the-Month and fourth to be named A.L. Pitcher-of-the-Month...Tossed his first Major League shutout on 7/14 at Houston and ended the month with another shutout on 7/27 at New York (AL).

**2013 POSTSEASON:** Made two appearances out of the bullpen vs. Boston...Recorded a pair of strikeouts and did not allow a run in 1.1 innings in Game One of the Division Series...Entered Game Four in the ninth inning and retired the only batter he faced (Dustin Pedroia).

**2012:** Made six appearances (four starts) over two separate stints with Tampa Bay...Was the first A.L. pitcher with 25 strikeouts or more in his first three career starts since New York's Al Leiter in 1987...Made MLB debut on 6/20 at Washington against Stephen Strasburg and lost a 3-2 decision (6.0ip/3r/1er)...Had 11 strikeouts on 9/8 vs. Texas; one shy of the club rookie record set by Dan Wheeler on 9/12/99...Earned first career win on 9/19 vs. Boston.

against (.200)...Was ranked by *Baseball America* as Chicago's No. 1 prospect following the season and as having the "Best Slider" in the organization...Pitched for Team USA's Pan American Qualifying team in October.

**2006:** Made professional debut with the GCL Indians.

## PERSONAL:

**PERSONAL:** Christopher Alan Archer...Was cut from his seventh grade baseball team...He then decided to attend every one of their home games that season in order to identify the skills he needed to improve and sharpen to make the team in eighth grade...Was named Conference Player-of-the-Year as a senior quarterback at Clayton (NC) High School...Traveled to Birmingham, AL, in February, 2018, to take part in a panel hosted by ESPN for Black History Month; was held at the historical Sixth Avenue Baptist Church where Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. used to preach...Visited the Rays Dominican Republic Academy in the 2017-18 offseason and addressed

the group via a translator...Is in his fourth season mentoring young athletes across North America as part of MLB's RBI program...Last year he visited RBI programs in Seattle, Pittsburgh and Houston, which increased his list to 12 cities since becoming involved in the program...Met President Barack Obama when the Rays traveled to Cuba in 2016...The Commander in Chief greeted him "Hey, Arch" and told him he appreciated his thoughtful interviews about Cuba...Created the Archway Foundation (archwayfoundation.com) in his hometown of Clayton, NC, to teach youth that the legacy they leave behind should not be one of fame or fortune

## LIFETIME PITCHING STATISTICS

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HP	BB	SO	WP	BK
2006	GCL Indians	0-3	7.45	7	6	0	0	0	19.1	17	22	16	1	3	17	21	6	1
	Burlington	0-0	10.80	1	0	0	0	0	1.2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	0
2007	GCL Indians	1-7	5.64	12	11	0	0	0	52.2	56	36	33	4	8	21	48	9	0
	Lake County	0-0	9.00	1	0	0	0	0	4.0	5	4	4	0	1	3	5	1	0
2008	Lake County (1)	4-8	4.29	27	27	0	0	0	115.1	92	64	55	8	11	84	106	18	0
2009	Peoria	6-4	2.81	27	26	0	0	0	109.0	78	41	34	0	7	66	119	10	1
2010	Daytona	7-1	2.86	15	14	0	0	0	72.1	54	27	23	4	3	26	82	1	0
	Tennessee (2)	8-2	1.80	13	13	0	0	0	70.0	48	19	14	2	2	39	67	5	0
2011	Montgomery	8-7	4.42	25	25	0	0	0	134.1	136	76	66	11	10	80	118	18	0
	Durham	1-0	0.69	2	2	0	0	0	13.0	11	1	1	0	0	6	12	0	0
2012	Durham	7-9	3.66	25	25	0	0	0	128.0	99	54	52	6	7	62	*139	12	1
	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>4.60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>
2013	Durham	5-3	3.96	10	10	0	0	0	50.0	50	26	22	6	2	23	52	3	1
	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>9-7</b>	<b>3.22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>128.2</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>
2014	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>10-9</b>	<b>3.33</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>194.2</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>
2015	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>12-13</b>	<b>3.23</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>*34</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>212.0</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>
2016	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>9-19*</b>	<b>4.02</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>201.1</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>
2017	<b>Tampa Bay</b>	<b>10-12</b>	<b>4.07</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>t34</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>201.0</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>t15</b>	<b>0</b>
2018	<b>Tampa Bay (3)</b>	<b>3-5</b>	<b>4.31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>96.0</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>
	Charlotte (#)	0-0	0.00	1	1	0	0	0	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	0	0
Minor League Totals		47-44	3.75	166	160	0	0	0	773.2	648	372	322	43	55	421	777	84	4
<b>Major League Totals</b>		<b>54-68</b>	<b>3.69</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1063.0</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>436</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>1146</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0</b>

(#)Injury Rehab Assignment (\*)Led League (†)Tied for League Lead

Selected by Cleveland in 2006 First-Year Player Draft (5th round).

(1)Acquired by Chicago (NL) from Cleveland, 12/31/08, along with pitchers John Gaub and Jeff Stevens, in deal for outfielder Mark DeRosa.

(2)Acquired by Tampa Bay from Chicago (NL), 1/8/11, along with catcher Robinson Chirinos, outfielders Sam Fuld and Brandon Guyer and infielder Hak-Ju Lee, in deal for pitchers Matt Garza and Zach Rosscup and outfielder Fernando Perez.

(3)Acquired by Pittsburgh from Tampa Bay, 7/31/18, in deal for pitcher Tyler Glasnow, outfielder Austin Meadows and a player to be named.

## WORLD BASEBALL CLASSIC STATISTICS

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HP	BB	SO	WP	BK
2017	United States	0-0	0.00	1	1	0	0	0	4.0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
<b>WBC Totals</b>		<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## ALL-STAR GAME STATISTICS

YEAR	SITE	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HP	BB	SO	WP	BK
2015	Cincinnati	0-0	6.75	1	0	0	0	0	1.1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	0
2017	Miami	SELECTED - DID NOT PITCH																
<b>All-Star Game Totals</b>		<b>0-0</b>	<b>6.75</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

## DIVISION SERIES STATISTICS

YEAR	CLUB/OPP	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HP	BB	SO	WP	BK
2013	TB vs. Bos.	0-0	0.00	2	0	0	0	0	1.2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
<b>Division Series Totals</b>		<b>0-0</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1.2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

## MAJOR LEAGUE DEBUT

June 20, 2012 at Washington

## HITTING TOTALS

YEAR	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SAC
2018	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>CAREER</b>	<b>.071</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

## 1ST MAJOR LEAGUE WIN

September 19, 2012 vs. Boston

## ARCHER HIGHLIGHTS (PRIOR TO JOINING PITTSBURGH)

**LOW-HIT GAME:** ONE-HITTER, 8/20/15 at Houston.

**SHUTOUTS:** (3), 8/20/15 at Houston, 7/27/13 at New York (AL) & 7/14/13 vs. Houston.

**MOST STRIKEOUTS:** 15 K's, 6/2/15 at Los Angeles (AL).

**GAME WITH 10+ STRIKEOUTS:** (28), last on 7/22/18 vs. Miami (13).

**MOST INNINGS PITCHED:** 9.0 IP (3 times), 8/20/15 at Houston, 7/27/13 at New York (AL) & 7/14/13 vs. Houston.

**MOST WALKS:** 6 BB, 5/15/17 at Cleveland.

**LONGEST SCORELESS INNINGS STREAK:** 18.0 IP (7/21 to 8/2/13).

**LONGEST WINNING STREAK:** 6 games (5/17 to 6/23/15).

**LONGEST LOSING STREAK:** 6 games (6/11 to 7/5/16)