



# TORONTO BLUE JAYS™

## POST GAME NOTES for Friday, April 27, 2018 TEXAS RANGERS (10-17) at TORONTO BLUE JAYS (14-11)

	R	H	E	LOB
TEXAS	6	10	2	5
TORONTO	4	10	0	7

WP: Minor (2-1)      LP: Stroman (0-3)      SAVE: Kela (5)

### BLUE JAYS NOTES:

- Have lost three straight games for the first time this season...Fell for the second straight night when scoring 4+ runs (were 13-0)...Hit a triple in back-to-back games for the first time since June 8-9, 2016...Have now hit five triples this year to match their MLB-record low of 5-3B last season...Recorded 6 extra-base hits, their 3<sup>rd</sup> most in a game this year...Entered tonight with 76 XBH (T-6<sup>th</sup> in AL)...Took a loss for the first time this season when recording double-digit hits (now 6-1).
- MARCUS STROMAN** allowed 6 runs on 8 hits across 5.1 innings in his 100<sup>th</sup> career game (94<sup>th</sup> start)...The 5.1 IP matches a season high from his last start (4/21 at NYY)...Has allowed 6 ER in back-to-back starts for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time in his career (also May 28 (7) and June 4, 2016 (6))...Now holds an 8.88 ERA (25 ER/25.1 IP).
- JUSTIN SMOAK** went 4-for-4 for his 2<sup>nd</sup> career four-hit game (April 17, 2012 vs. CLE - 4-for-5)...Also marked his 6<sup>th</sup> multi-hit effort (led the team with 39 last season) and his team-leading 3<sup>rd</sup> three-hit game...Has now reached base safely in 23 of 24 games played this season (.380 OBP).
- TEOSCAR HERNANDEZ** doubled in his first at-bat and came around to score Toronto's first run...Has reached base safely in 11 of his 12 games this season...Is now hitting .300 (15-for-50) with 5-2B, 1-3B, 3-HR, 10-RBI and 6-BB since his 4/13 recall from Buffalo (.375 OBP, .995 OPS).
- RUSSELL MARTIN** doubled in the 2<sup>nd</sup> inning...Has hits in three of his last five games (3-for-18) after hitting in three of his previous 12 contests (5-for-39).
- STEVE PEARCE** collected two RBI with a 2<sup>nd</sup>-inning double...Is now hitting .538 (7-for-13) with runners in scoring position...Has now gone 13-for-42 (.310) when hitting 1<sup>st</sup> in the batting order (entered tonight ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in the AL with a .324 AVG in the top spot).
- KEVIN PILLAR** doubled and tripled for his 2<sup>nd</sup> multi-XBH game of the season (4/18 vs. KC: 2-2B)...Also hit a triple on 4/7 at TEX and has tied his career-best (2-3B in 2015 & 2016)...Was his team-leading 7<sup>th</sup> multi-hit game of the year.

### RANGERS NOTES:

- Have won back-to-back games for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time this season (also 4/14-15 at HOU)...Are victorious in a series opener for the first time (now 1-8)...Were the last team in the Majors to record a series-opening win...Are above now above .500 on the road (6-5), having won four of their last six outside of Arlington...Improve to 6-2 in games with 10+ hits and 8-11 in games with a home run.
- MIKE MINOR** gave up a season-high 9 hits but held the Jays to four runs in 6.0 innings of work...Struck out 4 batters and did not issue a walk for the first time this season...Is now 4-0 with a 2.77 ERA (8 ER/26.0 IP) in four career starts against the Jays.
- JOEY GALLO** hit his team-leading 8<sup>th</sup> home run of the season, a two-run shot in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning...Was T-6<sup>th</sup> in the AL in HR entering tonight...Has homered in six of his last 16 starts...Has hit 5-HR on the road...Finished the night 2-for-4...Over his last 13 games, has hit .302 (13-for-43) with 2-2B, 5-HR and 9-RBI.
- NOMAR MAZARA** opened the scoring with an two-run single in the 1<sup>st</sup> inning...Added another single and a double en route to a 3-for-4 evening...Marked his first three-hit game of the season...Also leads the team with 10 multi-hit games.
- RONALD GUZMAN** put the Rangers ahead, 6-4, with a two-run single in the 6<sup>th</sup>...The rookie now has 9-RBI through his first 11 MLB games...Finished the night 2-for-4 to bump his average to .244 (10-for-41)...Has back-to-back multi-hit games for the first time.

Game at a Glance	
First Pitch .....	7:08 pm
Last Pitch .....	9:58 pm
Game Time: .....	2:50
Weather .....	20°C/68°F
Wind .....	NA
<b>Attendance:</b> .....	<b>26,312</b>
Rogers Centre Average: .....	25,867
Rogers Centre Total: .....	336,277
Home Record .....	8-6
Homestand .....	1-3
vs. TEX (Season) .....	2-2
vs. TEX (Series) .....	0-0
vs. RHS/LHS .....	9-5/5-6
1-run .....	3-4
Extra Innings .....	2-0
Come From Behind Wins .....	8
Dome Open .....	0-0
Dome Closed .....	8-6
Dome Open/Closed .....	0-0

HOME RUNS	#	Outs	Type	Field	Count	Off	Inning	Score before
Gallo	8	1	2R	LCF	1-0	Stroman	1 <sup>st</sup>	0-2

### UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS: (All

Saturday, April 27 vs. Texas Rangers, 4:07 pm...RHP Bartolo Colon (0-0, 2.59) vs. LHP Jaime Garcia (2-1, 4.57)  
Sunday, April 28 vs. Texas Rangers, 1:07 pm...LHP Martin Pérez (2-2, 9.82) vs. LHP J.A. Happ (3-1, 3.72)

**Texas Rangers 6, Toronto Blue Jays 4**  
**April 27, 2018**

**Rangers starting lineup:**

Delino DeShields (CF), Shin-Soo Choo (DH), Jurickson Profar (SS), Nomar Mazara (RF), Joey Gallo (LF), Isiah Kiner-Falefa (3B), Ronald Guzman (1B), Juan Centeno (C), Drew Robinson (2B), Mike Minor (P),

**Blue Jays starting lineup:**

Steve Pearce (LF), Teoscar Hernandez (RF), Justin Smoak (1B), Yangervis Solarte (3B), Kevin Pillar (CF), Russell Martin (C), Kendrys Morales (DH), Devon Travis (2B), Aledmys Diaz (SS), Marcus Stroman (P),

**Umpires** -- Mike Muchlinski (HP), Mike Winters (1B), Tim Timmons (2B), Rob Drake (3B), (LF), (RF).

**Gametime Weather:** 68 degrees, Roof Closed.

**Wind:** 0 MPH, None.

First pitch by M. Stroman at 07:08 PM local time.

Rangers 1st (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 0) -- D. DeShields singles to shortstop. S. Choo walks, D. DeShields to 2nd. J. Profar grounds out, A. Diaz to J. Smoak, D. DeShields to 3rd; S. Choo to 2nd. N. Mazara singles up the middle, D. DeShields scores; S. Choo scores. J. Gallo hits a home run to left field on a 1-0 pitch, N. Mazara scores. I. Kiner-Falefa strikes out swinging. R. Guzman strikes out swinging, R. Martin to J. Smoak.

(4 Runs, 3 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 1st (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 1) -- S. Pearce struck out looking. T. Hernandez doubles to right-center field. With J. Smoak batting, wild pitch by M. Minor, T. Hernandez to 3rd. J. Smoak singles to right field, T. Hernandez scores. Y. Solarte strikes out swinging. K. Pillar doubles to left-center field, J. Smoak out at home on the throw, D. DeShields to D. Robinson to J. Centeno.

(1 Run, 3 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 2nd (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 1) -- J. Centeno strikes out swinging. D. Robinson struck out looking. D. DeShields grounds out, A. Diaz to J. Smoak.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 2nd (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 3) -- R. Martin doubles to left-center field. Blue Jays challenged (tag play), call on the field was overturned: With K. Morales batting, wild pitch by M. Minor, R. Martin to 3rd. K. Morales strikes out swinging. D. Travis grounds out, I. Kiner-Falefa to R. Guzman. Rangers challenged (hit by pitch), call on the field was upheld: A. Diaz hit by pitch. S. Pearce doubles to left field, R. Martin scores; A. Diaz scores; S. Pearce advances to 3rd on throwing error by J. Profar. T. Hernandez grounds out, I. Kiner-Falefa to R. Guzman.

(2 Runs, 2 Hits, 1 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 3rd (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 3) -- S. Choo grounds out, D. Travis to J. Smoak. J. Profar grounds out, J. Smoak to M. Stroman. N. Mazara doubles to right field. J. Gallo lines out to A. Diaz.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Blue Jays 3rd (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 4) -- J. Smoak singles up the middle. Y. Solarte singles to right-center field, J. Smoak out at 3rd on the throw, D. DeShields to I. Kiner-Falefa. K. Pillar triples to left field, Y. Solarte scores. R. Martin pops out to R. Guzman. K. Morales strikes out swinging.

(1 Run, 3 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 4th (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 4) -- I. Kiner-Falefa flies out to S. Pearce. R. Guzman flies out to S. Pearce. J. Centeno lines out to T. Hernandez.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 4th (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 4) -- D. Travis grounds out, M. Minor to R. Guzman. A. Diaz grounds out, D. Robinson to R. Guzman. S. Pearce flies out to D. DeShields.

(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 5th (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 4) -- D. Robinson singles to left-center field. D. DeShields out on a sacrifice bunt, M. Stroman to J. Smoak, D. Robinson to 2nd. S. Choo grounds out, Y. Solarte to J. Smoak. J. Profar grounds out, A. Diaz to J. Smoak.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Blue Jays 5th (Rangers 4, Blue Jays 4) -- T. Hernandez grounds out, J. Profar to R. Guzman. J. Smoak doubles to left field. Y. Solarte grounds out, I. Kiner-Falefa to R. Guzman. K. Pillar lines out to D. DeShields.

(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 6th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- N. Mazara singles through the hole at second base. J. Gallo singles to center field, N. Mazara to 2nd. I.

Kiner-Falefa out on a sacrifice bunt, Y. Solarte to D. Travis, N. Mazara to 3rd; J. Gallo to 2nd. R. Guzman singles to left field, N. Mazara scores; J. Gallo scores; R. Guzman to 2nd on the throw. Pitcher Change: T. Clippard replaces M. Stroman. J. Centeno walks. With D. Robinson batting, wild pitch by T. Clippard, R. Guzman to 3rd. D. Robinson flies out to T. Hernandez, J. Centeno to 2nd. D. DeShields pops out to D. Travis.  
(2 Runs, 3 Hits, 0 Errors, 2 LOB)

Blue Jays 6th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- R. Martin grounds out, D. Robinson to R. Guzman. K. Morales grounds out, I. Kiner-Falefa to R. Guzman. D. Travis lines out to J. Profar.  
(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Rangers 7th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- Pitcher Change: A. Loup replaces T. Clippard. S. Choo lines out to S. Pearce. J. Profar strikes out swinging. N. Mazara grounds out, A. Loup to J. Smoak.  
(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 7th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- Pitcher Change: K. Jepsen replaces M. Minor. A. Diaz flies out to D. DeShields. S. Pearce lines out to D. DeShields. T. Hernandez reaches on fielding error by J. Profar. Pitcher Change: A. Claudio replaces K. Jepsen. J. Smoak singles to center field, T. Hernandez to 2nd. Y. Solarte grounds into a force out, fielded by I. Kiner-Falefa, T. Hernandez out at 3rd.  
(0 Runs, 1 Hits, 1 Errors, 2 LOB)

Rangers 8th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- Pitcher Change: J. Axford replaces A. Loup. J. Gallo strikes out swinging. I. Kiner-Falefa singles to center field. Rangers challenged (tag play), call on the field was upheld: With R. Guzman batting, I. Kiner-Falefa caught stealing 2nd base, R. Martin to Y. Solarte. R. Guzman doubles to left-center field. J. Centeno flies out to S. Pearce.  
(0 Runs, 2 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Blue Jays 8th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- Pitcher Change: C. Martin replaces A. Claudio. K. Pillar pops out to D. Robinson in foul territory. R. Martin grounds out, C. Martin to R. Guzman. K. Morales walks. Offensive Substitution: Pinch runner R. Grichuk replaces K. Morales. Offensive Substitution: Pinch hitter C. Granderson replaces D. Travis. C. Granderson grounds out to C. Martin.  
(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 1 LOB)

Rangers 9th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- R. Grichuk remains in the game as the designated hitter. Defensive Substitution: L. Gurriel Jr. Jr. replaces C. Granderson, batting 8th, playing 2nd. D. Robinson strikes out swinging. D. DeShields flies out to K. Pillar. S. Choo flies out to K. Pillar.  
(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

Blue Jays 9th (Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4) -- Pitcher Change: K. Kela replaces C. Martin. A. Diaz pops out to J. Profar. S. Pearce flies out to N. Mazara. T. Hernandez struck out looking.  
(0 Runs, 0 Hits, 0 Errors, 0 LOB)

**Final:** Rangers 6, Blue Jays 4

**WP:** Mike Minor (2-1).

**LP:** Marcus Stroman (0-3).

**SV:** Keone Kela (5).

**Time:** 2:50.

**Attendance:** 26312.

**Official Scorer:** Howard Starkman.

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**April 27, 2018**

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	H	E
Texas	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	6	10	2
Toronto	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	10	0

	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Texas												
DeShields, CF	.185	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	2
Choo, DH	.233	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Profar, SS	.222	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1
Mazara, RF	.302	4	2	3	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0
Gallo, LF	.240	4	2	2	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0
Kiner-Falefa, 3B	.280	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	4
Guzman, R, 1B	.244	4	0	2	1	0	0	2	0	1	10	0
Centeno, C	.152	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	6	0
Robinson, D, 2B	.172	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3
Minor, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Jepsen, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Claudio, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Martin, Ch, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Kela, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>.234</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>

**BATTING**

**2B:** Mazara (3, Stroman); Guzman, R (4, Axford).

**HR:** Gallo (8, 1st inning off Stroman, 1 on, 1 out).

**RBI:** Mazara 2 (12); Gallo 2 (19); Guzman, R 2 (9).

**SAC:** DeShields (off Stroman); Kiner-Falefa (off Stroman).

**Team RISP:** 2-for-9.

**Team LOB:** 5.

**BASERUNNING**

**CS:** Kiner-Falefa (1, 2nd base by Axford/Martin, R).

**FIELDING**

**E:** Profar 2 (6).

**Outfield assists:** DeShields 2 (Smoak at home, Smoak at 3rd base).

	AVG	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	PO	A
Toronto												
Pearce, LF	.288	5	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	4	0
Hernandez, T, RF	.300	5	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	2	0
Smoak, 1B	.275	4	0	4	1	0	0	1	0	0	8	1
Solarte, 3B	.229	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Pillar, CF	.301	4	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	0
Martin, R, C	.140	4	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	2
Morales, K, DH	.182	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0
1-Grichuk, PR-DH	.079	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Travis, 2B	.148	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
a-Granderson, PH	.316	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gurriel Jr., 2B	.222	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Diaz, SS	.183	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Stroman, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Clippard, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Loup, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Axford, P	.000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>.229</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>11</b>

a-Batted for Travis in the 8th.

1-Ran for Morales, K in the 8th.

**BATTING**

**2B:** Hernandez, T (5, Minor); Pillar (9, Minor); Martin, R (2, Minor); Pearce (5, Minor); Smoak (7, Minor).

**3B:** Pillar (2, Minor).

**RBI:** Smoak (14); Pearce 2 (13); Pillar (11).

**Team RISP:** 2-for-10.

**Team LOB:** 7.

	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
Texas									
Minor (W, 2-1)	4.33	6.0	9	4	4	0	4	0	26
Jepsen	4.38	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Claudio	6.75	0.1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Martin, Ch	2.70	1.0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Kela (S, 5)	3.12	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4.65</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>

	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	BF
Toronto									
Stroman (L, 0-3)	8.88	5.1	8	6	6	1	4	1	25

Clippard	2.03	0.2	0	0	0	1	0	0	3
Loup	3.86	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Axford	2.25	2.0	2	0	0	0	2	0	7
<b>Totals</b>	<b>4.09</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>

**Team ER:** off Texas 4, off Toronto 6.

**BB:** off Martin, Ch (Morales, K); off Stroman (Choo); Clippard (Centeno).

**SO:** by Minor 4 (Pearce, Solarte, Morales, K, Morales, K); Kela (Hernandez, T); by Stroman 4 (Kiner-Falefa, Guzman, R, Centeno, Robinson, D); Loup (Profar); Axford 2 (Gallo, Robinson, D).

**WP:** Minor 2; Clippard.

**HB:** Diaz (by Minor).

**Pitches-strikes:** Minor 94-63; Jepsen 12-6; Claudio 8-6; Martin, Ch 10-5; Kela 5-5; Stroman 91-61; Clippard 16-8; Loup 11-9; Axford 23-13.

**Inherited runners-scored:** Claudio 1-0; Clippard 1-0.

**Umpires:** HP: Mike Muchlinski. 1B: Mike Winters. 2B: Tim Timmons. 3B: Rob Drake.

**Official Scorer:** Howard Starkman.

**Weather:** 68 degrees, roof closed.

**Wind:** 0 mph, None.

**First pitch:** 7:08 PM.

**T:** 2:50.

**Att:** 26,312.

**Venue:** Rogers Centre.

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