



# CHICAGO WHITE SOX

## 2018 GAME NOTES AND INFORMATION

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### KANSAS CITY ROYALS (34-73) at CHICAGO WHITE SOX (37-70)

RHP Brad Keller (4-4, 3.43) vs. RHP Reynaldo López (4-8, 4.57)

Game #108 | Home #53 • Thurs., August 2 • 1:10 p.m. CT • Guaranteed Rate Field  
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#### WHITE SOX AT A GLANCE

- The Chicago White Sox have lost six of the last seven games and 15 of the last 22 as they conclude a six-game, seven-day homestand this afternoon vs. Kansas City.
- RHP Reynaldo López is scheduled to start for the White Sox, who are a season-high 33 games under the .500 mark.
- The Sox opened the homestand by losing two of three vs. Toronto and the first two games of this series vs. the Royals.
- Chicago owns the third-worst record in MLB ahead of Kansas City (34-73, .318) and Baltimore (33-75, .306).
- Following today's game, Chicago will take a three-game trip to Tampa Bay (8/3-5) before returning for a six-day, seven-game homestand vs. the Yankees (8/6-8) and Cleveland (8/10-12).
- The White Sox went 3-4 on their last trip from 7/20-26 at Seattle (1-2) and the Angels (2-2) and 3-2 on their last homestand vs. St. Louis (1-1) and the Royals (2-1) from 7/10-15.

#### TODAY'S STORYLINES

- Chicago has lost six of its last seven games and been outscored, 59-36, during that span (6-3 in its previous nine games).
- The Sox are trying to avoid being swept by Kansas City for the first time since 7/21-23/17 at Kauffman Stadium, and the first time at Guaranteed Rate Field since 6/13-15/14.
- White Sox starters own a 7.36 ERA (45 ER/55.0 IP) with 16 homers allowed in the last 10 games ... by contrast, the group surrendered just one earned run in the previous three contests.
- Reynaldo López is 0-4 with an 8.72 ERA (21 ER/21.2 IP), 1.85 WHIP and .310 opponents average (27-87) in his last four starts.
- Matt Davidson has hit eight home runs vs. the Royals this season, tied for the most by a White Sox vs. the club in a season.
- José Abreu is 14-39 (.359) with three home runs, seven RBI, and a 1.124 OPS in his last 10 games (hit safely in nine).

#### LAST NIGHT'S RECAP

- Kansas City scored 10 unanswered runs from the third inning through the sixth en route to a 10-5 victory over Chicago.
- Yoán Moncada opened the bottom of the first with a home run, his fifth career leadoff shot ... the Royals answered with two runs in the third, one in the fourth, five in the fifth and two in the sixth.
- The Sox cut the deficit on Daniel Palka's RBI walk and Leury García's two-run single and RBI single in the sixth and eighth.
- Dylan Covey suffered his seventh loss after allowing seven runs (four earned) on five hits with three walks in 4.1 IP.
- Moncada, García and Tim Anderson all recorded multihit efforts ... Chicago went 2-13 with RISP and left six runners on base.

#### HOMER HAPPY

- Chicago has hit 17 home runs in its last 11 games (homered in 10), and 22 in the last 15 (homered in 12).
- Avisail García has hit 10 homers in his last 24 games, and Daniel Palka has connected on eight in his last 20 contests ... Palka's 15 home runs this season rank third among MLB rookies.

#### RAISED VS. THE ROYALS

- Matt Davidson is 16-37 (.432) with eight home runs and 14 RBI in 10 games vs. Kansas City this season.
- He is tied with Albert Belle (1998) and José Valentín (2003) for the most homer by a Sox vs. the Royals in a single season.
- The last player to hit eight homers vs. a team was Adam Dunn (2013 vs. Minnesota) ... Gus Zernial, who hit 11 vs. the St. Louis Browns in 1950, owns the club record (STATS LLC).

#### DAY DREAMING

- The White Sox are 13-37 (.260) in day games, the worst record in MLB ... they have lost three straight and six of the last seven.
- José Abreu is tied for third in the American League with 31 RBI in day games ... Tim Anderson and Daniel Palka have each hit nine homers during the day, tied for the 11th-most in the AL.

#### \$25 FOR 25 CAMPAIGN

- CWS Charities (CWSC) holds its annual 25-hour fundraising campaign, \$25 for 25, from noon today through 1 p.m. tomorrow.
- Donors will have the opportunity to win a new prize during each hour of the campaign, with the final "power hour" of the campaign (noon-1 p.m. on 8/3) allowing for 25 different prizes.

#### DOUBLE TROUBLE

- José Abreu on Tuesday reached 30-plus doubles for the fifth consecutive season, joining Magglio Ordóñez (1999-2003) as the only White Sox to hit 30-plus doubles in five straight seasons.
- The only other player in MLB to record 30 or more doubles every season since 2014 is St. Louis' Matt Carpenter.
- Abreu joined Frank Thomas (nine), Paul Konerko (eight), Ordóñez (five), Ray Durham (five), Willie Kamm (five) and Bibb Falk (five) as the only Sox with five-plus seasons of 30-plus doubles.

#### WHITE SOX VS. KANSAS CITY

- The White Sox lead the season series, 7-5, going 2-3 at Guaranteed Rate Field and 5-2 at Kauffman Stadium ... Chicago owns a 71-53 edge in runs scored this season.
- The Sox are hitting .291/.359/.522 with 23 home runs, and own a 3.50 ERA (42 ER/108.0 IP) and five quality starts.
- Chicago is 17-14 vs. K.C. since 2017 (40-72 from 2011-16).
- The White Sox are 8-6 over the last 14 games at Guaranteed Rate Field but 15-18 since 2015 (lost six of the last 10).
- The White Sox lead the all-time series, 392-377 ... they are 216-173 at home (124-103 at Guaranteed Rate Field) and 176-204 on the road (165-182 at Kauffman Stadium).

#### LOOKING FOR CENTRAL COMMAND

- The White Sox are 15-28 against the American League Central in 2018, going 7-15 at home and 8-13 on the road.
- Chicago is 4-11 over its last 15 games, 8-18 in the last 26 and 9-22 in the last 31 ... the club has scored three runs or less 17 times during the 31-game span ... the Sox are 4-8 in the last 12 and 6-12 in the last 18 contests at Guaranteed Rate Field.
- The Sox are 306-405 vs. the AL Central since 2009, posting a losing record every season except 2012 (37-35).

#### PILING UP CROOKED NUMBERS

- Yoán Moncada has recorded 19 doubles, five triples, 14 home runs and 44 RBI in 99 games this season.
- He joins Javier Báez, Cody Bellinger, Andrew Benintendi, Corey Dickerson, Teóscar Hernández, Jurickson Profar, Trevor Story and Chris Taylor as the only MLB players to record 15+ 2B/5+ 3B/10+ HR/40+ RBI this season.

#### STOLEN BASE ... STOLEN BASE!

- Tim Anderson (21), Adam Engel (12), Leury García (11), Yoán Moncada (11) and Yolmer Sánchez (10) have all stolen 10 or more bases for the White Sox this season.
- The Sox are the only team in MLB this season with five players to record double-digits in stolen bases ... the last time five or more Chicago players recorded 10-plus stolen bases was 2005 (Dye, Harris, Iguchi, Ozuna, Podsednik, Rowand).
- Chicago ranks fifth in the major leagues with 77 steals in 2018.

#### POWER AND SPEED

- Tim Anderson (14 HR/career-high 21 SB) is one of five players in MLB this season with 14-plus homers and 20-plus steals (also Mookie Betts, Starling Marte, José Ramírez and Mike Trout).
- Anderson is on pace for 21 homers and 32 steals in 2018 ... he is looking to become the third White Sox to record a 20+ HR/30+ SB season, joining Alex Ríos (2010) and Tommie Agee (1966).

#### BARRELING BACKSTOPS

- Omar Narváez and Kevan Smith are hitting a combined .342 (67-196) with nine doubles, four home runs, 28 RBI and 21 multihit efforts in 56 games since 6/1 (hit safely in 44 contests).
- Narváez (1st, .379) and Smith (2nd, .307) lead all MLB catchers in average since 6/1 (minimum 100 plate appearances).
- Narváez owns 13 multihit efforts and has hit safely in 21 games since 6/1 ... Smith has hit safely in 23 of his 27 games in 2018 since being recalled from Class AAA Charlotte on 6/5.
- Narváez is 16-42 (.381) with two doubles, one triple, three home runs, nine RBI and a 1.113 OPS over his last 12 games.

#### QUALITY AND QUANTITY

- James Shields has made 13 QS, tied for 12th in the American League ... the Sox are tied for eighth in the AL with 45 QS.
- The White Sox have made 1,360 QS since the start of 2003, two more than the New York Mets (1,358) for the most in MLB ... the next closest AL team is Oakland with 1,316 quality starts.

#### TELEVISION TIDBITS

- Next Monday's Yankees-White Sox game has been selected by ESPN for a national broadcast ... the game will be blacked out on ESPN in the Chicagoland viewing area, and will air locally on NBC Sports Chicago ... first pitch remains at 7:10 p.m. CT.
- TV analyst Steve Stone will be off for the Sox series from 8/13-15 at Detroit ... Tom Paciorek will fill in alongside Jason Benetti.

#### ON DECK: AT TAMPA BAY RAYS

- The White Sox take a brief three-game trip to Tampa Bay starting tomorrow night ... RHP Lucas Giolito starts the opener.
- The Rays won two of three in the first series from 4/9-11 at Guaranteed Rate Field ... all three games were decided by one run, and Tampa Bay outscored the Sox, 12-11.
- Chicago has gone 4-2 over the last six games, 3-5 in the last eight, 7-6 in the last 13 and 9-8 in the last 17.
- The White Sox are 4-11 at Tropicana Field since 2013.

#### WHITE SOX 2018 BREAKDOWN

Sox After 107   108 in 2018	41-66	41-67
Streak	Loss 3	
Current Homestand	1-4	
Last Trip	3-4	
Last 10 Games	3-7	
Series Record	7-22-6	
Series First Game	10-25	
First   Second Half	33-62	4-8
Home   Road	20-33	17-37
Day   Night	13-37	24-33
Opp. At-Above   Below .500	15-35	22-35
vs. RHS   LHS	30-51	7-19
vs. AL East/Central/West	7-9	15-28
Interleague	5-12	
Comeback W's   L's After Leading	20	29
Extra Innings	2-3	
One-Run   Two-Run Games	7-19	6-11
Ahead After 6   7   8	28-8	28-8
Trailing After 6   7   8	6-53	6-56
Tied After 6   7   8	3-9	3-6
Sox   Opp. Score First	19-24	18-46
Sox   Opp. Score 4+	32-24	11-59
Sox   Opp. Score 3 or Less	5-46	26-11
March/April   May   June	8-18	8-19
July   August   September	9-16	0-0
Average Time of Game	3:06	

#### UPCOMING PROBABLES

##### VS. KANSAS CITY ROYALS

Thursday: 1:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH  
RHP Brad Keller (4-4, 3.43) vs.  
RHP Reynaldo López (4-8, 4.57)

##### AT TAMPA BAY RAYS

Friday: 6:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH  
RHP Lucas Giolito (7-8, 6.26) vs.  
TBA  
Saturday: 5:10 p.m. CT | WGN-TV  
LHP Carlos Rodón (3-3, 3.24) vs.  
TBA  
Sunday: 12:10 p.m. CT | NBCSCH  
RHP James Shields (4-13, 4.56) vs.  
TBA

#### WHITE SOX VS. KANSAS CITY (7-5)

Date	H/R	Result	WP	LP
3/29	R	W, 14-7	Shields	Duffy
3/31	R	W, 4-3	Farquhar	Maurer
4/1	R	Ppd.; rescheduled as DH on 4/28		
4/26	R	W, 6-3	Giolito	Junis
4/27	R	W, 7-4 (11)	Infante	Hill
4/28	R	W, 8-0	Fulmer	Oaks
	L	2-5	Skoglund	Covey
4/29	R	L, 4-5	McCarthy	Rondón
7/13	H	W, 9-6	Shields	Keller
7/14	H	L, 0-5	Duffy	López
7/15	H	W, 10-1	Giolito	Smith
7/31	H	L, 2-4	Duffy	Shields
8/1	H	L, 5-10	Junis	Covey
8/2	H	1:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
8/17	H	7:10 p.m. CT		WGN-TV
8/18	H	6:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
8/19	H	1:10 p.m. CT		WGN
9/10	R	7:15 p.m. CT		WGN-TV
9/11	R	7:15 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
9/12	R	7:15 p.m. CT		NBCSCH

#### WHITE SOX ON HOMESTAND (1-4)

vs. TOR | K.C. 1-2 | 0-2  
Runs Scored | Allowed 25 | 36  
AVG | OBP | SLG | HR 290 | .346 | .494 | 6  
ERA 6.40 (32 ER/45.0 IP)  
Quality Starts 1

#### 2018 MLB LEADOFF HR LEADERS

Player, Club	Leadoff HR
Matt Carpenter, STL	7
Yoán Moncada, SOX	5
Mookie Betts, BOS	5
Francisco Lindor, CLE	5
George Springer, HOU	5

#### MOST HR BY A WHITE SOX IN A SEASON VS. KANSAS CITY

Player	Year	HR	Gms w/HR
Matt Davidson	2018	8	4
Albert Belle	1998	8	7
José Valentín	2003	8	5
Dick Allen	1972	7	6
Four Players Tied		6	

#### WHITE SOX CAREER HR LEADERS

Player (Years w/Sox)	HR
8. Bill Melton	154
9. Carlos Lee (1999-2004)	152
T10. José Abreu (2014-18)	140
T10. Ron Kittle (1982-91)	140

#### MOST QUALITY STARTS SINCE 2003

Club	QS
Chicago White Sox	1,360
New York Mets	1,358
St. Louis Cardinals	1,346
Los Angeles Dodgers	1,326
San Francisco Giants	1,321
Chicago Cubs	1,318







