



Kansas City Royals

OFFICIAL GAME NOTES

Tampa Bay Rays (18-22) @ Kansas City Royals (13-29)

Kauffman Stadium - Wednesday, May 16, 2018

Game #43 - Home Game #22

FOX Sports Kansas City, FOX Sports Go and KCSP Radio (610 Sports)

UPCOMING PITCHING PROBABLES

Thursday, May 17: Off Day at Home

Friday, May 18 vs. New York Yankees: RHP Sonny Gray (2-3, 6.39) vs. RHP Jakob Junis (4-3, 3.53), 7:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Saturday, May 19 vs. New York Yankees: RHP Domingo Germán (0-1, 4.26) vs. LHP Danny Duffy (1-5, 6.51), 6:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Sunday, May 20 vs. New York Yankees: RHP Luis Severino (6-1, 2.14) vs. LHP Eric Skoglund (1-3, 5.58), 1:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Monday, May 21 @ St. Louis Cardinals: TBA vs. RHP Ian Kennedy (1-4, 4.98), 7:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Tuesday, May 22 @ St. Louis Cardinals: TBA vs. RHP Jason Hammel (0-4+ today), 7:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Wednesday, May 23 @ St. Louis Cardinals: TBA vs. RHP Jakob Junis (4-3+ Friday), 12:15 p.m., FSKC (HD) & 610 Sports

Today's game is being broadcast in Kansas City on KCSP Radio (610 Sports) and the Royals Radio Network with Royals' Hall of Famer Denny Matthews, Steve Physioc and Steve Stewart calling the action...today's game is being televised on FSKC with Ryan Lefebvre and Rex Hudler...the pre and post-game shows, Royals Live, are hosted by Joel Goldberg and Royals' Hall of Famer Jeff Montgomery.

Royals vs. Rays

With losses in the first two games of this set, the Royals have now dropped two straight series to the Rays after going 8-0-1 in the nine prior to last August...last night's loss put Kansas City a game behind in the all-time work, now 77-78 since the Rays came to be in 1998, with KC holding a 42-31 advantage in Kauffman Stadium...from April 30, 2013 to May 9, 2017, the Royals went 23-6 vs. the Rays, but is now 2-5 in the last seven.

Date	Site	Score	WP	LP	Att.
5/14	KC	L, 1-2	Yarbrough	Skoglund	14,174
5/15	KC	L, 5-6	Venters	Herrera	21,500
5/16	KC				
8/20	@ TB				
8/21	@ TB				
8/22	@ TB				
8/23	@ TB				

ANOTHER ONE-RUN SETBACK--For the second time in as many nights, the Royals fell by a single tally to the Rays, dropping a 6-5 decision in front of 21,500 here last night...Kansas City was in an early 3-0 hole and then trailed 5-3 in the seventh before Whit Merrifield's two-run single knocked in both Alex Gordon and Hunter Dozier to knot the game at 5-5...unfortunately, Kelvin Herrera, who had allowed only one run in his first 14.2 innings of the year, was solved for his second run of the season when Joey Wendle delivered a two-out single to score Johnny Field with the tie-breaking run... Ian Kennedy escaped the decision despite allowing five run on seven hits in 6.0 innings...the fact he was able to get through six innings was a minor miracle given he needed 34 pitches to get through the three-run first, leaving the bases loaded after facing the entire Tampa Bay lineup...he settled in allowing single tallies in the third and sixth, but the Royals' offense chipped away to get Kennedy off the hook... Merrifield was 2-for-5 with three RBI, while Mike Moustakas, Alcides Escobar and Hunter Dozer each contributed two hits as well...the loss was KC's fourth in a row and sixth in the last seven games...it also marked the 11th series lost in 14 tries (1-11-2)

MULTI-HIT WHIT--Whit Merrifield continued his multi-hit reputation with a pair of knocks in last night's loss...the leadoff man now has 13 multi-hit games on the season, good for a tie for 14th in the A.L...since breaking into the Majors on May 18, 2016, he has 86 games with at least two hits...to put those 86 contests in perspective, Alcides Escobar is the next Royal on the list since Whit's debut date with 82, followed by Salvador Perez's 67...former Royals, Eric Hosmer and Lorenzo Cain, had 83 and 70 multi-hit games from May 18, 2016 through the end of last season before departing as free agents.

DIVISIONAL WORK--The Royals fell to 2-9 vs. the East with last night's loss to the Rays...KC is in a stretch of games in which nine of 12 are being contested against the East, which included a 1-2 stop in Baltimore last week, this series with Tampa Bay and the upcoming weekend visit by the Yankees...KC is 10-13 within its own Central Division, rebounding from a rugged 4-10 intradivision start to post wins in six of the last nine...the Royals are but 1-5 against the A.L. West to this point, winning the first game of a series vs. Seattle before losing two in a row to the M's and all three meetings with the Angels...as for Interleague work, Kansas City has dropped its first two games vs. N.L. Central opponents, losing to Milwaukee in late-April...the Royals will travel to St. Louis for a three-game set starting next Monday for their second set against the Senior Circuit.

HOMETOWN KID OFF TO SOLID START--Overland Park resident, Jason Adam, made his third big league appearance on Monday night, fanning three in 1.1 innings...the Blue Valley Northwest graduate has now worked three times since his first call to the Majors, totaling 4.1 scoreless innings...Jason was KC's fifth round pick in the 2010 draft and then was traded to Minnesota in August, 2014, so the Royals could acquire Josh Willingham...he returned to the Royals last year as a minor league free agent after being released by the Padres' organization.

TODAY'S STARTING PITCHERS: RHP Jake Faria (3-2, 5.09) vs. RHP Jason Hammel (0-4, 6.13)

	2017	2016	Career	2018	2017	Career
Jake Faria vs. Royals	First career appearance		Major League Record	3-2 (5.09 ERA)	5-4	8-6
Jason Hammel vs. Rays	0-1	-	2-3	Major League Record	0-4 (6.13 ERA)	8-13

JASON HAMMEL takes the hill for his ninth start of the season, the 289th of his career and 347th appearance...originally selected by the Rays in 2002, he makes his eighth career start against Tampa Bay...he's in the second season of a two-year deal he signed on February, 8, 2017, which includes a mutual option for 2019.

RALLY PREVENTS FIFTH LOSS--Jason was saved by the offense last Friday in Cleveland when the Royals rallied from a five-run deficit for a 10-9 victory...he made it through just 3.2 innings, trailing 9-4, after allowing nine runs on six hits with three walks and a strikeout as well as a season-high three home runs...after allowing three runs on a pair of first inning homers, Hammel retired seven in a row, before running into trouble in the fourth...his night ended after allowing a two-run double to Tyler Naquin and a two-out grand slam to Michael Brantley, the second slam he's surrendered in his last three starts...fortunately, KC chipped away at the deficit and pulled ahead on Salvador Perez's go-ahead two-run shot in the seventh...Hammel's nine earned runs marked the second-highest total of his career, behind a 10-2 loss to the Mets on June 1, 2016 at Citi Field, when he was charged with all 10...after allowing just one home run across his first five starts (32.0 IP), he's been taken deep five times in his last three outings.

BETTER DURING THE DAY--Jason makes his fifth daytime start of the year, entering with a 3.38 ERA (10 ER in 26.2 IP) and a .245 (25-for-102) opponents' average in those outings...comparatively, he's pitched to a 9.74 ERA (22 ER in 20.1 IP) and a .314 (27-for-86) opponents' average at night...that trend has held over his time with the Royals as he's gone 4-5 with a 4.68 ERA in the afternoon since the start of last season, compared to a 4-12 mark and a 5.85 ERA under the lights.

GETTING AHEAD--Hammel ranks third in the American League, having thrown first-pitch strikes to 66.7% of the hitters he's faced, trailing only Luis Severino (70.5%) and Masahiro Tanaka (70.3%)...after recording first-pitch strikes to eight of the first nine hitters he faced in his last start at Cleveland, he got ahead of just three of the last 11 he faced...in his last start here, May 5 vs. Detroit, he recorded first-pitch strikes on 25-of-30 hitters (83.3%)

BETTER EARLY--Jason has held the opposition to a .217 batting average (15-for-69) the first time through the lineup this season, while they've hit .251 against him (84-for-334) the first time seeing him over the last two seasons...however, they've hit .328 (20-for-61) the second time through the order and .314 (16-for-51) the third time through this season.

VS. TAMPABAY--Jason was selected in the 10th round of the 2002 First-Year Player Draft by the then-Devil Rays and pitched his first three big league seasons in St. Pete...since being traded to Colorado in 2009, Hammel has gone 2-3 with a 4.89 ERA (21 ER in 38.2 IP) in seven starts against his original franchise...he's looking for his first win over the Rays since August 5, 2014, when he tossed 5.2 scoreless frames in a 3-0 win as a member of the A's.

BACK HOME--After a rough road start, Hammel returns to Kauffman Stadium where he's posted a 3.86 ERA (8 ER in 18.2 IP) in three starts...he's looking for his first victory here since last August 20, 7-4 over Cleveland...he's dropped his last three home decisions since...Jason is 42-41 with a 4.39 ERA in 139 starts and 167 overall outings at his home parks throughout his career.

Hammel vs. Rays

Player	AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI
Matt Duffy	.500	2	1	0	0
Carlos Gomez	.211	19	4	0	1
Adeiny Hechavarria	.077	13	1	0	2
Brad Miller	.250	8	2	1	2
Wilson Ramos	.333	12	4	2	2
Mallex Smith	1.000	2	2	0	0
Denard Span	.120	25	3	0	0

Jason's Last Win:

September 6, 2017 at Detroit (6.0 IP, 13-2 over Matthew Boyd)

Jason's Last Loss:

May 5, 2018 vs. Detroit (6.2 IP, 2-3 loss to Jordan Zimmermann)

Jason's Strikeout High:

11, June 1, 2015 at Miami (6.2 IP, in a 5-1 win over Jose Urena)

Jason's Last Complete Game:

June 16, 2012 at Atlanta (9.0 IP, in a 5-0 win over Brandon Beachy) - second career

Jason's Only Shutout:

June 16, 2012 at Atlanta (9.0 IP, 5-0 over Brandon Beachy)



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Pitching Notes

Friday's Starter - Jakob Junis

- Jakob will make his ninth start of the season Friday to begin a three-game series against the Yankees...he's 4-3 with a 3.53 ERA (20 ER in 51.0 IP).
- Junis took the loss in Kansas City's 6-2 setback in Cleveland last Saturday...he was charged with four runs on six hits with two walks and seven strikeouts over 5.2 innings...it was his first road defeat of the season, and the four runs he allowed matched his total from his previous three road starts.
- He has worked at least 7.0 innings and allowed two earned runs or fewer in four of eight starts, trailing only Gerrit Cole (6) and Sean Manaea (5) for most such starts this year... his 13 wins are tied for second most by a Royals pitcher over their first 29 appearances behind Rich Gale's 14 victories in his first 26 games in 1978.
- Junis will be facing the Yankees for the second time in his career...he allowed six runs in 5.2 innings in an 11-3 loss at Yankee Stadium on Sept. 25, 2017.
- He's 2-2 with a 4.44 ERA (12 ER in 24.1 IP) in four home starts this season after going 3-0 with a 3.43 ERA (17 ER in 44.2 IP) in nine home outings in 2017.

2018 Pitching Lines

	<u>G</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>SV</u>	<u>SVO</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>BB</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>OPPAVG</u>
Starters	42	7-20	-	-	5.38	237.1	257	146	142	42	76	192	.272
Relievers	42	6-9	10	17	5.64	135.2	158	95	85	19	57	97	.295
Totals	42	13-29	10	17	5.48	373.0	415	241	227	61	133	289	.280

Bullpen Totals: *1st Batter Efficiency:* 86/125 (68.8%) *Saves/Save Opp:* 10/17 (58.8%) *Inherited Runners/Runners Scored:* 72/29 (40.3%)

Jason Adam

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 1/3 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 1/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 3 on 5/14 vs. TB *May 14 vs. Tampa Bay* 1.1 1 0 0 0 3
- Jason pitched the final 1.1 innings Monday, retiring three of the four hitters he faced...he stranded an inherited runner in the eighth, before working around a leadoff single in the ninth...he's made three scoreless appearances since having his contract selected from Omaha (AAA) on May 4.
 - He was originally selected by the Royals in the fifth round of the 2010 Draft out of Blue Valley Northwest HS (Overland Park, Kan.), but was traded to Minnesota in 2014 for Josh Willingham...did not pitch in 2015 or '16 due to injury and re-signed with Kansas City last August 18 after a brief stint in the Padres' organization.
 - Adam is the 18th known player to play for the Royals after attending a KC-area high school...went 2-0 with a 1.00 ERA in 10 minor league appearances this year.

Blaine Boyer

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 11/14 *Saves/Save Opp:* 1/1 (100.0%) *Last Save:* April 29, 2018 vs. CWS (5th) *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 4/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 on 5/12 @ CLE *May 12 at Cleveland* 1.1 0 0 0 0 2
- Blaine retired all four hitters he faced Saturday in Cleveland, stranding a pair of inherited runners in the seventh...also collected a season-high two strikeouts.
 - Earned his first victory of the year on May 5 vs. Detroit, despite allowing the go-ahead two-run double in the eighth, ahead of KC's four-run rally...recorded his fifth career save on April 29 vs. the White Sox, and his first since May 29, 2016 vs. Cincinnati (with Milwaukee).
 - He's made eight career appearances against the Rays and has not allowed an earned run, spanning 8.1 innings...that includes three scoreless outings in 2017.

Brian Flynn (L)

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 9/13 *Saves/Save Opp:* 1/2 (50.0%) *Last Save:* May 1, 2018 at BOS (1st) *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 11/4 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 (3x), last: 5/13 @ CLE *May 13 at Cleveland* 3.0 7 2 2 1 2
- Brian tossed a season-high 3.0 innings out of the bullpen Sunday in Cleveland, allowing two runs on seven hits with a pair of strikeouts...it matched the longest outing by a Royals reliever this season and longest by Flynn since working the final 3.0 innings at Philadelphia on July 3, 2016.
 - Flynn recorded his first career save on May 1 in Boston, collecting the final two outs in the 13th inning of a 7-6 victory over the Red Sox.
 - He has a 2.99 ERA (26 ER in 78.1 IP) in 50 career relief appearances, compared to a 9.25 ERA (25 ER in 24.1 IP) in his six career starts.

Kelvin Herrera

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 15/17 *Saves/Save Opp:* 8/9 (88.9%) *Last Save:* May 11 at Cleveland (51st) *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 3/0 *2018 Strikeout High:* 3 on 4/2 at DET *May 15 vs. Tampa Bay (Loss)* 1.0 3 1 1 0 0
- Kelvin suffered his first loss of the year last night, allowing the go-ahead run in the ninth inning...surrendered three hits in an outing for the first time since September 7 at Minnesota, while it was just the second run he's allowed in 17 outings this season...his 17 appearances are tied for the team lead with Tim Hill.
 - Herrera is still tied for sixth in the American League with eight saves in nine chances...his 51 career rescues are tied for seventh in club history with Mike MacDougal, while he's just three shy of matching Roberto Hernandez (54) for sixth...made 11-straight scoreless appearances (9.2 IP) to start the season.
 - He has not issued a walk in 15.2 innings to begin the season, the most innings without a free pass in the Majors...his 14 strikeouts without a walk are also tops.

Tim Hill (L)

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 11/17 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 10/2 *2018 Strikeout High:* 3 on 4/27 vs. CWS *May 15 vs. Tampa Bay* 1.0 0 0 0 0 1
- Tim set the Rays down in order in the eighth inning last night, with a pair of ground outs and a strikeout...he's made 17 appearances this year, which are tied for the team lead and rank third among AL rookies, behind Aaron Bummer (20) and Noe Ramirez (20).
 - Of his 17 outings, 14 of them have been scoreless, while he hasn't allowed a base hit in his last five appearances (May 6-15).
 - He did not allow a hit in his first seven appearances (6.2 IP), which was one shy of matching Jonathan Sanchez (2006) and Garry Roggenburk (1963) for the most to begin a career in Major League history, according to *Elias Sports Bureau*...held opponents to a .143 average (2-for-14) with runners in scoring position.

Brad Keller

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 10/16 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/1 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 12/8 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 (2x), last: 5/11 @ CLE *May 11 at Cleveland (Win)* 3.0 2 0 0 1 2
- Brad earned his first Major League win last Friday, tossing 3.0 scoreless innings in Cleveland...he retired seven of the final eight he faced, after allowing two singles in the sixth...Keller has allowed just one run in his last eight outings (9.1 IP), while his 2.20 ERA is fourth among AL rookies (min. 15.0 IP).
 - In his five appearances this month, Keller has held the opposition to a .174 average (4-for-23) with no extra-base hits.
 - Acquired via trade with Cincinnati in the Rule 5 Draft, after going 10-9 with a 4.68 ERA in 26 starts at Jacksonville (AA) in Arizona's system in 2017.

Kevin McCarthy

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 9/14 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/1 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 11/2 *2018 Strikeout High:* 2 (2x), last: 5/15 vs. TB *May 15 vs. Tampa Bay* 1.0 0 0 0 0 2
- Kevin made quick work of the Rays in the seventh last night, retiring the side on 13 pitches...he matched a season high, collecting a pair of strikeouts.
 - He's tied for third in the Majors with three victories out of the bullpen, trailing only Tyler Clippard and Robert Gsellman, who both have four.
 - McCarthy has made seven scoreless appearances here at Kauffman Stadium (8.0 IP)...however, he has a 6.23 ERA (6 ER in 8.2 IP) on the road.
 - He opened the year with Omaha (AAA), but was recalled on April 13, after making three appearances with the Storm Chasers.

Burch Smith

- 1st Batter Efficiency:* 8/12 *Saves/Save Opp:* 0/0 (0.0%) *Last Save:* none *Last Outing:* **IP H R ER BB SO**
Inherited Runners/Runners Scored: 12/8 *2018 Strikeout High:* 4 on 4/17 at TOR-1 *May 13 at Cleveland* 1.2 0 0 0 0 2
- Burch worked the final 1.2 innings Sunday, retiring all five Cleveland hitters he faced, including two via strikeout...it marked his seventh appearance this season of more than 1.0 inning, which includes a career-high 3.0 innings out of the bullpen on April 24 vs. Milwaukee.
 - Smith has recorded 21 strikeouts in 19.0 innings (9.95 K/9), which are the most by a KC reliever...he collected four K's in 2.2 innings on April 17 at Toronto.
 - He was acquired via trade by Kansas City during the Rule 5 Draft, after being selected by the Mets...spent last season in Tampa Bay's organization, posting a 5-3 record and a 2.40 ERA (15 ER in 56.1 IP), between three minor league stops...missed all of 2015 and 2016, following Tommy John surgery.

Royals vs. Rays

<u>Pitcher</u>	<u>2018</u>								<u>Career</u>							
	<u>W-L</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>ER</u>	<u>W-L</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>ERA</u>	<u>G</u>	<u>IP</u>	<u>H</u>	<u>ER</u>		
Adam	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.1	1	0	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.1	1	0		
Boyer	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	0.00	8	8.1	4	0		
Duffy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-1	0	2.77	4	26.0	20	8		
Flynn	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	2.70	2	3.1	3	1		
Hammel	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-3	0	4.89	7	38.2	46	21		
Herrera	0-1	0	9.00	1	1.0	3	1	2-1	3	2.12	18	17.0	19	4		
Hill	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0		
Junis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2-0	0	1.35	2	6.2	3	1		
Keller	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Kennedy	0-0	0	7.50	1	6.0	7	5	1-5	0	5.96	10	51.1	47	34		
McCarthy	0-0	0	0.00	1	1.0	0	0	0-0	0	18.00	2	2.0	3	4		
Skoglund	0-1	0	2.35	1	7.2	7	2	0-1	0	2.35	1	7.2	7	2		
Smith	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-0	0	54.00	1	1.0	5	6		



Hitting Notes

Abraham Almonte This Series: 0-for-3 Last Trip: 2-for-10, run Hit Streak: 0 g (0-8)

- Abraham went 0-for-3 last night and is 3-for-his-last-29 on the heels of a six-game hitting streak, in which he hit .450 (9-for-20) with six RBI.
He hit the go-ahead grand slam in the Sonic Slam sixth inning on April 22 in Detroit, his second career slam and first since Aug. 30, 2015...the Sonic Slam won Jada Bradley of Eugene, Mo. \$25,000 and was the ninth since the promotion began in 1995 and first since Cam Gallagher's last Aug. 14 in Oakland.
Almonte hasn't been charged with an error in center field since Aug. 20, 2014, converting all 220 chances at the position in 91 games (85 starts) since.

Drew Butera This Series: Has not played Last Trip: 1-for-5, BB Hit Streak: 1 g (1-3)

- Drew went 1-for-3 with a walk Sunday in Cleveland, snapping an 0-for-8 skid in his first start since May 6 vs. Detroit.
Butera is batting .313/.389/.479 (15-for-48) lifetime vs. Tampa Bay—all his best vs any opponent (min. 5 games)—with two homers and seven RBI.
He is three RBI shy of 100 for his career, 42 of which have come since joining the Royals in 2015 (had 41 RBI with Minnesota and 14 RBI with the Dodgers).

Cheslor Cuthbert This Series: 0-for-3 Last Trip: 1-for-5, run, BB Hit Streak: 0 g (0-6)

- Cheslor went 0-for-3 on Monday in his 11th start at third base...he's also made starts at first base (9) and as the designated hitter (8).
Cuthbert has walked 11 times in 117 plate appearances this season (9.4%) already two more than his nine walks in 153 plate appearances in 2017 (5.9%).
He's batting .298 (17-for-57) with all three of his home runs in day games this season, but is 0-for-his-last-9 on the heels of a eight-game hit streak in the sun.
He homered three times in a four-game span from April 29-May 2, including his second career multi-HR game vs. the White Sox on April 29 with his father, Luis, a lobster fisherman from Corn Island, Nicaragua, in attendance...Cuthbert is one of three active players born in Nicaragua, joining RHPs Erasmo Ramirez and JC Ramirez.

Hunter Dozier This Series: 2-for-7, 2 runs, 2B Last Trip: n/a Hit Streak: 1 g (2-4)

- Hunter singled and scored in the fifth inning last night and doubled and scored in the seventh to mark his first career multi-hit game (entered 4-for-22 in the Majors)...he was recalled from Omaha (AAA) Monday to take the roster spot of Lucas Duda, who was placed on the 10-day DL with right foot plantar fasciitis.
This is Dozier's first big league action since September 2016, when he went 4-for-19 (.211) in eight games (5 starts, all in right field).
He hit .254 (30-for-118) with seven doubles and one homer in 35 games with Omaha prior to his recall...he was the Royals' first pick (eighth overall) in 2013.

Alcides Escobar This Series: 3-for-6, BB Last Trip: 5-for-22 (.227), 4 runs, 4 RBI, BB Hit Streak: 2 g (3-6)

- Eskey went 2-for-4 last night and is batting .299 (55-for-184) lifetime vs. Tampa Bay, including a four-hit game on July 8, 2015.
He's walked 11 times in 163 plate appearances this season (6.9%) after walking just 15 times in 629 plate appearances (2.4%) in 2017.
Alcides has made 375 consecutive starts—all at shortstop—dating back to Sept. 26, 2015... according to Elias, it's the longest streak in Royals history and the longest active streak in the Majors...the last shortstop to have a longer streak was Cal Ripken Jr.'s 2,216 straight starts for Baltimore from 1982-96...Escobar is the only Royal to start all 162 games in a season, and he's done it three times: 2017, '16 and '14...since 2011, he's played in 1,147 of the Royals' 1,176 games (97.5%).
His last 12 hits have been singles since his last XBH April 30 in Boston...his 193 doubles as a shortstop since 2011 are second most behind Elvis Andrus (216).

Ryan Goins This Series: 1-for-5, RBI Last Trip: 2-for-9, run, 2 RBI Hit Streak: 1 g (1-4)

- Ryan had an RBI groundout in the fifth inning last night and singled in the ninth, his first RBI and hit since May 8 in Baltimore.
Goins has started just three of the Royals' last 19 games and is batting .281 (9-for-32) in his last 12 games after starting the season 4-for-21.
He played in a career-high 143 games with the Blue Jays in 2017 and also set career highs in hits (99), doubles (21), home runs (9) and RBI (62).

Alex Gordon This Series: 1-for-7, 2 runs, RBI, BB Last Trip: 6-for-22 (.273), 2 runs, HR, 3 RBI, 3 BB, SB Hit Streak: 1 g (1-3)

- Alex last night had an RBI groundout in the second inning, he singled and scored in the fifth and walked and scored on Merrifield's tying hit in the seventh.
Gordon is batting .304/.368/.443 (24-for-79) in 21 games since returning from the DL (left hip labral tear) on April 24 (went 4-for-23 before injury).
All three of his HR this season came in a six-game span from May 1-8...his 163 career HR are six shy of Hal McRae for fourth most in Royals history.
Extended his club record with his 92nd hit-by-pitch April 30, 14 more than the next closest, Mike Macfarlane, and is tied for ninth among active players.
He recorded his 83rd career outfield assist in the first game on April 28 vs. the White Sox, one shy of Gerardo Parra for most in the Majors since 2010.

Jon Jay This Series: 2-for-8, 3B Last Trip: 11-for-29 (.379), 7 runs, 2 2B, 2 RBI, BB Hit Streak: 8 g (13-37)

- Jon singled in the first inning last night to extend his hitting streak to eight games, in which he's batting .351 (13-for-37).
Thirteen of his 46 hits (28%) have come in the first inning, in which he's batting .419 (13-for-31) with a .486 on-base percentage.
Three of his last seven hits have gone for extra bases after hitting 25 straight singles from April 18-May 10, the longest streak by a Royal since Chris Getz's club-record 45 straight in 2011, according to Elias...he hasn't homered in his last 375 at-bats since July 5, 2017, the longest active streak in the Majors by a non-pitcher.
Jay has reached safely or recorded an RBI in 37 of 40 games this season, and he's reached to leadoff the first 14 times (10 hits, 4 walks) in 29 games (.483 OBP).
He's batting .373 (22-for-59) in 14 games this month—tied for the fourth most hits in the Majors—after batting just .238 (24-for-101) in March and April.
Hasn't committed an error in his last 222 games in the field (404 chances) since April 15, 2016...his career .996 fielding % is the highest among active outfielders.

Whit Merrifield This Series: 5-for-9, run, HR, 4 RBI Last Trip: 9-for-22 (.409), 2 runs, 3 2B, RBI, 4 BB, 2 SB Hit Streak: 9 g (16-35)

- Whit had an RBI single in the fifth inning last night and the game-tying two-run single in the seventh, extending his hit streak to nine games, in which he's batting .457/.513/.657 (16-for-35)...it's his sixth career hit streak of at least nine games, breaking a tie with Escobar for most by a Royal since his debut in 2016.
He's driven in five of the Royals' last seven runs, dating back to the sixth inning on Sunday in Cleveland after recording just four RBI in his previous 17 games.
Merrifield has eight multi-hit efforts in his last 15 games, a stretch in which he's batting .365/.414/.508 (23-for-63), on the heels of a 6-for-34 (.176) skid.
His nine steals are tied for fourth in the American League, behind Dee Gordon (15), Jean Segura (11) and Tim Anderson (10), including eight steals in his last 19 games...he's a Major League best 5-for-5 on steals of third base and is 15-for-16 lifetime, third most in the AL since 2016 behind Rajai Davis (22) & Jose Altuve (18).
He has started at five different positions (first base, second base, right field, center field and designated hitter), including his first career start in center on April 14.

Mike Moustakas This Series: 3-for-8, run, 2B Last Trip: 8-for-25 (.320), 4 runs, 2B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, BB Hit Streak: 3 g (4-10)

- Mike doubled to leadoff the second inning last night and scored on Gordon's RBI groundout, before adding a second hit in the sixth...he's one of six players with at least 50 hits, 10 doubles and 10 home runs, joining: Manny Machado, Francisco Lindor, J.D. Martinez, Mookie Betts and Ozzie Albies.
He leads the Royals with 29 RBI—10 more than anyone else—but has just one in his last seven games, after posting three & five in back-to-back games May 6-8.
He's tied for third in the Majors with 10 infield hits—matching his 2017 total—and trailing only Dee Gordon (13) and Malle Smith (11).
Moose recorded his eighth multi-HR game on May 8 in Baltimore, third most among Royals left-handed batters behind George Brett (17) and John Mayberry (9).
His first HR on May 8 broke a tie with Eric Hosmer and Billy Butler for eight most in Royals history...he now has 129 HR, 14 behind Mayberry for seventh.
Moustakas has reached safely in 20 of 21 home games this season, and is batting .329/.359/.612 (28-for-85) with 18 runs, 13 extra-base hits and 14 RBI.

Salvador Perez This Series: 0-for-7, BB Last Trip: 7-for-24 (.292), 6 runs, 2B, 3 HR, 10 RBI Hit Streak: 0 g (0-8)

- Salvy went 0-for-4 last night...since returning from the DL (left knee sprain) on April 24, he's slugging .477 (4 doubles, 5 HR) with 17 RBI in 22 games.
He's batting .293 (43-for-147) with 27 RBI in 38 career games vs. Tampa Bay, including a sac. fly & two pickoffs in his Major League debut on Aug. 10, 2011.
Perez hit the go-ahead, two-run homer off Andrew Miller in the seventh inning on Friday, his 12th career go-ahead RBI in the seventh inning or later and sixth since the start of 2017, most in the Majors...it was his second HR in as many games—and in third in four games—for the 15th time and first time since June 9-10, 2017.
Perez hit his second career grand slam in the first inning Thursday in Baltimore (also: June 21, 2017 vs. Boston) on his 28th birthday, giving the Royals a 4-0 lead before they recorded an out...he's the 13th different Royal (16th time) to homer on his birthday and the first time since Kendrys Morales in 2015...Perez is the second Royal to hit a grand slam on his birthday, joining Mike Sweeney (2004) and he's the first in the American League to do it in 10 years, since Hideki Matsui in 2008.
He has caught four of seven would-be base stealers this season, including one Monday...his 119 since 2013 are second in the Majors to Jonathan Lucroy (133).

Jorge Soler This Series: 0-for-3, BB Last Trip: 10-for-26 (.385) 6 runs, 3 2B, HR, 6 RBI, 2 BB Hit Streak: 0 g (0-8)

- Jorge did not play last night due to a displaced rib that occurred on a leaping catch here on Monday, when he went 0-for-3 with a walk...he's reached safely in 33 of 37 games, including a career-high 19-game on-base streak from April 13-May 4, and a career-high tying 10-game hit streak from April 26-May 4.
Soler ranks fifth in the AL in on-base percentage (.419), tied for eighth in walks (23) and tied for ninth in doubles (12) and...he walked in nine straight games from April 20-28, the longest streak in the Majors this season and the longest by a Royal since Mike Sweeney walked in nine straight from July 17-24, 2000.
Despite starting the season 0-for-11, he's batting .316/.419/.519 in 133 at-bats (37 games)...in 97 at-bats with Kansas City in 2017, he hit just .144/.245/.258.
He's batting a team-best .346/.472/.577 (9-for-26) with runners in scoring position, including three doubles, a home run and 12 RBI.



This & That

JAY EXTENDS TO EIGHT--He reached on an infield single in the first inning to extend his current run to eight consecutive games, in which he has batted .351 (13-for-37) with seven runs, two doubles, a triple and a .368 on-base pct...he's also hit safely in 14 of his last 15 contests dating back to April 30, while his .373 batting average (22-for-59) during May is tied with John Hicks for third in the American League...Jay opened the month with a four-hit game on May 1 in Boston, his ninth career contest with four or more hits.

RISP WORK IMPROVING--The Royals are showing some signs of a turnaround when batting with runners in scoring position, going 3-for-6 in last night's narrow loss...Kansas City was hitting a Major League low .175 in RISP situations after the first game of an April 28 split-doubleheader vs. the White Sox, but in the 17 games since the Royals have batted .282 (42-for-149) with runners in scoring position to climb out of the big league cellar into the 27th spot.

URBAN YOUTH ACADEMY TO HOST UMPIRE CAMP--Major League Baseball will host a free, one-day umpire camp at the Kansas City Urban Youth Academy this Saturday from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m...staff for the event will include many accomplished former MLB Umpires, current MLB Supervisors and Observers, as well as Minor League Baseball and NCAA Officials...among those participating from the MLB Umpiring Department will be Kris Jones, Ed Rapuano, Charlie Reliford and Rich Rieker...this is MLB's first free, one-day umpire camp of 2018 for anyone interested in umpiring in baseball and softball, including those aiming to begin professional careers...the 2018 Umpire Camps will culminate with the MLBUC Professional Mini-Camp, which will be held in late December...twenty-two attendees from last year's clinics went on to the MLB Professional Mini-Camp at no cost, while 10 of the Ft. Myers attendees in 2017 advanced on MLB scholarships to the two professional umpire schools this past January, and they will begin their professional careers in June...over 130 attendees of MLB Umpire Camps have gone on to work in professional baseball since 2006...for more information on how to participate in this camp and future MLB Umpire Camps, interested applicants can visit <https://www.facebook.com/mlb.camps> or e-mail mlbumpirecamps@mlb.com

A WEEKEND OF MEMORIES AHEAD--The upcoming series will feature another look back at the first 50 years of Royals baseball, with Saturday and Sunday featuring some familiar names from the past...on Saturday, a special version of the annual Royals Authentics Legends Night will take place featuring former outfielders Carlos Beltran, Johnny Damon and Jermaine Dye...Royals players will wear 1969 Vintage Royals jerseys during the game that evening...in addition, the first 20,000 fans will receive a George Brett Pine Tar Bobblehead, courtesy of KCP&L...alumni scheduled to appear on Saturday also include: George Brett, Baseball Hall of Famer, Amos Otis, Royals Hall of Famer, Bret Saberhagen, Royals Hall of Famer, Mike Sweeney, Royals Hall of Famer, Frank White, Royals Hall of Famer and Willie Wilson, Royals Hall of Famer...on Sunday the Royals will honor 1969 American League Rookie of the Year, Lou Piniella, with the first 15,000 fans will receiving a Lou Piniella replica jersey, courtesy of Papa John's, with the former Royal and Yankee scheduled to appear.

YANKEES IN FOR THE WEEKEND--The first of seven games with the Yankees will be this Friday night when they invade Kauffman Stadium for a three-game weekend series...the Royals are slated to play four times in Yankee Stadium on July 26-29...KC was 2-5 vs. the Yanks last year, including a 1-2 set here...KC trails the all-time work by a 195-290 margin, including a 112-129-1 mark in Kansas City, 101-116 in Kauffman Stadium...since May, 2015, the Royals are just 4-13 vs. the Yankees.

NED ONE SHY OF 1,100 WINS--The winningest manager in franchise history, Ned Yost is in his eighth full season with the club, taking the reins on May 13, 2010...he continues to sit on 1,099 career wins, which is good for sixth among active managers and one shy of 1,100...he has a 642-661 regular season record at the helm for the Royals, surpassing Whitey Herzog's previous team mark of 410 wins (1975-79)...Yost is the 16th full-time manager in franchise history and is also sixth among active managers in games (2,262)...his postseason winning pct. of .710 (22-9) is tops among all managers in history who have worked at least 20 playoff games...this is his second stint as a big league manager after nearly six full campaigns at the helm for the Milwaukee Brewers (2003-2008)...he compiled a 457-502 record with the Brew Crew including a 166-146 mark in his last two seasons...Yost, a catcher during his playing days, began his coaching career in the Atlanta organization, including 12 straight seasons on Bobby Cox's big league staff (1991-2002).

SOLER POSTING NUMBERS--Jorge Soler was 0-for-3 with a walk Monday, but has still hit at a .360 clip (27-for-75) in his last 19 games...in that span he has eight doubles, four homers, 13 runs scored and 16 RBI, while also drawing 10 walks and a hit-by-pitch for a .429 on-base percentage...Soler enters play tonight fifth in the American League in on-base percentage (.419), 11th in batting average (.316), tied for seventh in doubles (12) and ranks 10th in OPS (.938)...since snapping an 0-for-11 start to the year, Jorge has batted .344 (42-for-122) while reaching safely in 29 of his last 33 games, for a .441 on-base pct. and .566 slugging pct. which adds up to a 1.007 OPS.

CONTINUING ERRORLESS WAYS--Kansas City once again played errorless ball last night, the 18th time in the last 20 games that the Royals have not committed an error...KC had a season-best streak of 10 consecutive errorless games snapped with a wayward pickoff attempt on Saturday in Cleveland...KC is fourth in the American League in fewest errors with 18 and fourth with a .988 fielding percentage.

REPLAY NO LONGER PERFECT--It took 12 challenges, but Kansas City replay specialist Bill Duplissea was finally denied an overturn in the ninth inning on Thursday in Baltimore, when he asked New York to look at a force play at second base where Jorge Soler was called out...after a 2-minute, 40-second review, the call on the field stood...Dupe is now 11-for-12 on the year and the only replay reviewer with a success rate above 90% (91.6 to be exact)...he has made good on 68% of his challenges in his career (110-for-163), which ranks among the best, including a Major League best 72.4% success rate over the last three seasons (63-for-87).

ESKY THE IRON MAN--Kansas City shortstop Alcides Escobar, who re-signed with the Royals over the winter, continues to possess the longest active streak of starts in the Majors, starting his 375th consecutive game last night...the next-closest player in consecutive starts is San Diego shortstop Freddy Galvis with 205.

NOT JUST THE TEAM'S 50TH SEASON--One common denominator with the Royals and this 50th season of baseball in Kansas City is Hall of Fame announcer Denny Matthews, who was in the booth with Buddy Blattner on April 8, 1969 and is once again calling the play-by-play during this milestone season...the Ford Frick Award winner in Cooperstown, NY in 2007, Matthews has been the one constant since the franchise came to be in '69...with this his 50th season, he trails only Los Angeles Dodger broadcasting icons Vin Scully (67 years prior to retiring) and Jaime Jarrin (59th season).

Player	vs. Rays (2018)					vs. Rays (career)					At Home (career)					Faria (career)					Gray (career)					
	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	AVG	AB	H	HR	RBI	
Almonte	.000	3	0	0	0	.125	16	2	0	1	.280	464	130	11	52	-	-	-	-	-	.500	8	4	0	0	1
Butera	-	-	-	-	-	.313	48	15	2	7	.197	563	111	3	38	-	-	-	-	-	.500	4	2	0	0	0
Cuthbert	.000	3	0	0	0	.218	55	12	0	3	.261	394	103	8	57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Dozier	.286	7	2	0	0	.286	7	2	0	0	.217	23	5	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Escobar	.500	6	3	0	0	.299	184	55	1	12	.263	2386	628	18	216	-	-	-	-	-	.250	12	3	0	2	
Goins	.200	5	1	0	1	.142	155	22	3	12	.218	647	141	11	70	.000	4	0	0	0	.100	10	1	0	3	
Gordon	.143	7	1	0	1	.227	233	53	4	34	.262	2546	666	79	331	-	-	-	-	-	.182	11	2	0	1	
Jay	.250	8	2	0	0	.279	43	12	1	4	.300	1570	471	14	142	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Merrifield	.556	9	5	1	4	.354	48	17	4	10	.293	540	158	16	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Moustakas	.375	8	3	0	0	.225	129	29	3	19	.257	1511	389	55	197	-	-	-	-	-	.167	12	2	0	0	
Perez	.000	7	0	0	0	.293	147	43	6	27	.269	1474	397	46	209	-	-	-	-	-	.222	9	2	0	1	
Soler	.000	3	0	0	0	.067	15	1	0	1	.258	481	124	18	62	-	-	-	-	-	.000	2	0	0	0	

Pitcher	GS	Total KC Runs	Avg. Runs Per Start	Team Record	Quality Starts
Danny Duffy	9	44	4.9	1-8	1
Jason Hammel	8	28	3.5	1-7	4
Jakob Junis	8	33	4.1	5-3	5
Ian Kennedy	9	32	3.6	3-6	4
Trevor Oaks	1	0	0.0	0-1	0
Eric Skoglund	7	33	4.7	3-4	3
Totals	42	170	4.0	13-29	17

Pitcher	Butera	Gallagher	Perez	Totals
Duffy	0-6	0-1	1-1	1-8
Hammel	0-1	0-3	1-3	1-7
Junis	3-1	1-0	1-2	5-3
Kennedy	2-3	-	1-3	3-6
Oaks	0-1	-	-	0-1
Skoglund	1-1	0-1	2-2	3-4
Total	6-13	1-5	6-11	13-29
Starts	19	6	17	42
CS/ATT	2/11	0/4	4/7	6/22
Pct.	20.0	0.0	57.1	27.3
ERA	6.25	3.35	5.38	5.48
ER/IP	121/174.1	20/53.2	86/144.0	227/373.0



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2018 Royals Home Runs

Players	Total	vs.		@	on	Runners On			Outs			Tied Game	Gave Lead	Direction				Team Record	Last Home Run	AB's			
		LHP	RHP			Home	Road	0	1	2	3			0	1	2	LF				LC	CF	RC
Almonte	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1-2	5/5/18	DET	B. Hardy	17
Butera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8/15/17	@ OAK	S. Casilla	107
Cuthbert	3	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1-1	5/2/18	@ BOS	M. Barnes	17	
Dozier	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	26
Escobar	1	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	0-1	4/17/18	@ TOR-	R. Tepera	92	
Goins	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9/25/17	@ BOS	A. Reed	67	
Gordon	3	-	3	1	2	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3-0	5/8/18	@ BAL	D. Bundy	28	
Jay	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7/5/17	TB	E. Ramirez	375	
Merrifield	4	4	-	1	3	3	1	-	3	1	3	3	1	-	-	-	-	2-2	5/14/18	TB	R. Yarbrough	7	
Moustakas	10	1	9	5	5	7	2	1	-	4	2	4	1	2	-	1	3	6	3-6	5/8/18	@ BAL	P. Araujo	29
Perez	5	1	4	2	3	2	2	1	1	2	2	1	-	4	3	1	1	3-2	5/11/18	@ CLE	A. Miller	15	
Soler	5	3	2	2	3	2	2	1	-	2	2	1	-	3	3	1	1	3-2	5/8/18	@ BAL	D. Bundy	28	

Pinch-Hit: Last: Erik Kratz (8/18/14 @ Minnesota, seventh inning) - **Franchise total: 76**

Grand Slam: Last: Salvador Perez (5/10/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **Franchise total: 129; Twice in 2018**

Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: Last: Shane Mack (5/22/98 @ Texas, seventh inning)

2-Homer Game: Last: Mike Moustakas (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, solo, 2-run off Dylan Bundy, Pedro Araujo) - **Twice in 2018**

3-Homer Game: Last: Lorenzo Cain (5/10/16 @ N.Y. Yankees, solo, 3-run, solo) - **Franchise total: 9**

Back-to-Back: Last: Mike Moustakas and Lucas Duda (4/17/18 at Toronto-1, 3rd inning off Jaime Garcia) - **Once in 2018**

Back-to-Back-to-Back: Last: Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, Salvador Perez (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **Once in 2018**

Three Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Drew Butera, Eric Hosmer, Mike Moustakas (8/15/17 @ Oakland, eighth inning)

Four Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, Salvador Perez and Alex Gordon (5/8/18 @ Baltimore, first inning) - **ties franchise record**

Leadoff Game: Last: Whit Merrifield (8/24/17 vs. Colorado) - **Franchise total: 94**

Inside-the-Park: Last: Jarrod Dyson (7/8/15 vs. Tampa Bay) - **Franchise total: 96**

Both Sides of the Plate in One Game: Last: Kendrys Morales (7/2/16 @ Philadelphia, 3-run, solo) - **Franchise total: 8**

Home Run by Pitcher: Last: Zack Greinke (6/10/05 @ Arizona)

Walk-off Home Run: Last: Eric Hosmer (8/23/17 vs. Colorado, ninth inning, Greg Holland pitching) - **Franchise total: 69**

Opponent:

Pinch-Hit: Last: Mike Napoli, Texas (7/14/17 @ Kauffman Stadium, off Mike Minor, 7th inning)

Grand Slam: Last: Michael Brantley (5/11/18 @ Progressive Field off Jason Hammel, 4th inning)

Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: Last: Darryl Strawberry, New York (5/2/98 @ Kauffman Stadium, Scott Service pitching, 9th inning)

Back-to-Back: Last: Jose Abreu and Matt Davidson, Chicago White Sox (3/27/18 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy pitching, 4th inning)

Leadoff Game: Last: Tim Anderson, Chicago White Sox (4/28/18-Game 2 @ Kauffman Stadium, Eric Skoglund pitching)

Inside-the-Park: Last: Logan Forsythe, Tampa Bay (7/8/15 @ Kauffman Stadium, Jeremy Guthrie pitching, 4th inning)

Walk-off Home Run: Last: JaCoby Jones (4/20/18 @ Comerica Park, Brad Keller pitching, 10th inning)

Three Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Jose Abreu, Matt Davidson and Tim Anderson, Chicago White Sox (3/27/18 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy pitching, 4th inning)

Four Home Runs, One Inning: Last: Alex Rios, Carlos Quentín, Andrew Jones, Dayan Viciedo, Chicago (7/11/10 @ U.S. Cellular, Anthony Lerew pitching, 3rd inning)

Three Home Runs, One Player: Last: Mookie Betts (5/2/18 @ Fenway Park, Danny Duffy)

Both Sides of the Plate in One Game: Last: Victor Martinez, Detroit (6/16/16 @ Kauffman Stadium, Danny Duffy and Chien-Ming Wang pitching)

2018 Single-Game Bests

Players	Multi-Hit Games					Total	Multi-RBI Games					Total	RBI			Hitting Streaks					Hits	
	2	3	4	5	6+		2	3	4	5	6+		Tying	Go-Ahead	2-out	5-10	11-15	16+	Current	Long (3+)	Infield	Bunt
Almonte	2	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	1	3	1	2	1	-	-	0 g	6 g (4/20-28)	1	-	
Butera	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	2	1	1	6	-	-	-	1 g	-	-	-	
Cuthbert	4	1	-	-	-	5	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	4	-	-	-	0 g	4 g (3/29-4/3)	-	-	
Dozier	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 g	-	-	-	
Escobar	6	1	-	-	-	7	1	1	-	-	2	1	2	5	-	-	-	2 g	3 g (5x)	3	-	
Goins	2	1	-	-	-	3	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	1 g	4 g (4/26-5/8)	2	1	
Gordon	6	1	1	-	-	8	-	2	-	-	2	1	1	2	-	-	-	1 g	4 g (2x)	1	-	
Jay	8	2	1	-	-	11	2	-	-	-	2	2	2	4	2	-	-	8 g	8 g (5/7-pres)	8	2	
Merrifield	10	3	-	-	-	13	2	1	-	-	3	6	1	6	2	-	-	9 g	9 g (5/6-pres)	2	-	
Moustakas	10	4	-	-	-	14	1	4	-	1	6	2	7	9	1	1	-	3 g	14 g (4/8-22)	10	-	
Perez	6	-	-	-	-	6	3	-	1	-	4	1	6	3	2	-	-	0 g	7 g (4/26-5/1)	1	-	
Soler	10	3	-	-	-	13	3	2	-	-	5	-	6	4	2	-	-	0 g	10 g (4/26-5/4)	4	-	

The Last Time...

No-Hitter by the Royals:
Bret Saberhagen, August 26, 1991 vs. Chicago (Royals 7-0)

No-Hitter vs. Royals:
Jon Lester, May 19, 2008 @ Boston in Fenway Park (Red Sox 7-0)

One-Hitter by the Royals (complete game):
Zack Greinke, August 30, 2009 @ Seattle (Royals 3-0)

One-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game):
Carlos Carrasco, Cleveland, September 25, 2015 at Kauffman Stadium (Indians 6-0)

Two-Hitter by the Royals (complete game):
James Shields, April 13, 2013 vs. Toronto (Blue Jays 3-2)

Two-Hitter vs. Royals (complete game):
Jeff Niemann, Tampa Bay, June 3, 2009 at Tropicana Field (Rays, 9-0)

Back-to-Back Complete Game Wins by the Royals:
Brian Bannister and Zack Greinke, April 13-14, 2008 vs. Minnesota (5-1) and @ Seattle (5-1)

Back-to-Back Shutouts by the Royals:
May 17 & 19, 2015 vs. New York Yankees (6-0) & vs. Cincinnati (3-0)

Back-to-Back Shutouts vs. Royals:
August 27-28, @ Cleveland (0-12); vs. Tampa Bay (0-12)

Three Straight Shutouts vs. Royals:
August 26-28 @ Cleveland (0-4, 0-12); vs. Tampa Bay (0-12)

10+ Innings Pitched by a Royals starter:
Kevin Appier, July 23, 1992 @ Cleveland (10.0)

10+ Strikeouts by a Royals starter:
Danny Duffy (10) vs. New York Yankees, May 18, 2017

Shutout by the Royals (Complete Game):
Jason Vargas, June 2, 2017 vs. Cleveland (4-0)

Shutout by the Royals (Combined):
April 9, 2018 vs. Seattle, 10-0
Junis (7.0), Maurer (1.0), Flynn (1.0)

Triple Play by the Royals:
June 11, 2006 vs. Tampa Bay (DeJesus-Elarton-Berroa-Teahen with Branyan batting, 2nd inning)

Triple Play vs. Royals:
April 20, 2012 vs. Toronto at Kauffman Stadium, (3-6, Hosmer batting, 3rd inning)

Royal hit for the cycle:
George Brett, July 25, 1990 @ Toronto

Opponent hit for the cycle:
Jeff DaVanon, Anaheim, August 25, 2004 at Angel Stadium

Royal Five-Hit Game:
Eric Hosmer, July 26, 2017 @ Detroit (5-for-6)

Royal Six-Hit Game:
Joe Randa, Sept. 9, 2004 @ Detroit-Game 1 (6-for-7)

Royals Two Hits, One Inning:
Jon Jay, Jorge Soler, Mike Moustakas, May 8 @ Baltimore, (first inning)

Royals Five-RBI Game:
Mike Moustakas, May 8, 2018 @ Baltimore

Royals Six-RBI Game:
Eric Hosmer, July 26, 2017 @ Detroit

Royals Seven-RBI Game:
(13 times) - last: Omar Infante, Sept. 17, 2015 @ Cleveland

Royals Nine-RBI Game:
Mike Moustakas, September 12, 2015 @ Baltimore

Royals Position Player Pitching:
Drew Butera, July 26, 2016 vs. Los Angeles Angels

Opponent Position Player Pitching:
A.L.: Taylor Motter, Seattle, April 9, 2018 at Kauffman Stadium; N.L.: D'Angelo Jimenez, San Diego, June 30, 2002 at Kauffman Stadium

Royals Pitcher Homered:
Zack Greinke, June 10, 2005 @ Arizona

Royals Pitcher With a Hit:
Danny Duffy, July 9, 2017 @ LA Dodgers

Royals Pitcher With a RBI:
Danny Duffy, July 2, 2016 @ Philadelphia

Royals Three or more Steals, One Game:
Whit Merrifield (3), May 6, 2018 vs. Detroit

Opponent Three or more Steals, One Game:
Gregor Blanco, Arizona, October 1, 2017 at KC (3 SB)

Royals Steal of Home:
Alex Rios, vs. Pittsburgh, July 20, 2015 (4th inning)

Opponent Steal of Home:
Brett Lawrie, Toronto, April 22, 2012 at Kauffman Stadium (8th inning) - on double steal

Royals Suspended Game:
April 24, 2015 @ Chicago White Sox (Rain)

Royals Home Run in first ML at bat:
Jon Nunnally, April 29, 1995 vs. New York (Melido Perez pitching, 1st inning)

Royals Home Run in 4 Consecutive Games:
Salvador Perez, April 6-9, 2017

Royals 0-0 Game After 9 innings:
April 20, 2017 @ Texas (lost 1-0 in 13 innings)

Royals Walk-Off Win:
August 23, 2017 vs. Colorado (6-4 in 9 innings)

Royals Bat Around:
May 8, 2018 @ Baltimore (first inning - 10 runs)
- **Thrice in 2018**

Three-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium:
July 21-23, 2017 vs. Chicago White Sox

Three-game sweep by Royals on the road:
July 24-26, 2017 @ Detroit

Four-game sweep by Royals at Kauffman Stadium:
August 18-21, 2016 vs. Minnesota

Four-game sweep by Royals on the road:
May 7-10, 1999 @ Minnesota

Three-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium:
April 12-14, 2018 vs. Los Angeles Angels

Three-game sweep by opposition on the road:
April 17-18, 2018 @ Toronto

Four-game sweep by opposition at Kauffman Stadium:
September 12-15, 2016 vs. Oakland

Four-game sweep by opposition on the road:
April 20-23, 2017 @ Texas

Errorless Streaks

Player	Streak	Last Error	Player	Streak	Last Error
ROYALS	3	5/12/18 @ CLE	Goins	29	9/17/17 @ MIN
Pitchers	3	5/12/18 @ CLE	Gordon	47	9/8/17 vs. MIN
Almonte	62	4/23/17 @ CWS	Jay	222	4/14/16 @ PHI
Butera	17	4/7/18 @ CLE	Merrifield	34	4/2/18 @ DET
Cuthbert	7	4/30/18 @ BOS	Moustakas	22	4/10/18 vs. SEA
Dozier	9	-	Perez	37	9/3/17 @ MIN
Escobar	20	4/25/18 vs. MIL	Soler	16	4/25/18 vs. MIL

Disabled List (4)

Player	D.L. Type	Injury	Dates on D.L.	Eligible for reinstatement	Games Missed	Team Record
RHP-Jesse Hahn	60-day	right UCL sprain	March 6	May 5	42	13-29
RHP-Nate Karns	10-day	right elbow inflammation	March 29 (retro March 26)	April 5	42	13-29
RHP-Justin Grimm	10-day	lower back stiffness	April 24 (retro to April 22)	May 2	22	8-14
1B-Lucas Duda	10-day	right foot plantar fasciitis	May 14	May 24	2	0-2



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2018 Transactions

Date	Player	Transaction	Date	Player	Transaction
2/28	1B-Lucas Duda	Signed as a Major League free agent	4/19	OF-Alex Gordon	Sent on a rehab assignment to Omaha
3/6	OF-Jon Jay	Signed as a Major League free agent	4/20	RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)
	RHP-Jesse Hahn	Placed on 60-day disabled list (right UCL sprain)		RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha (postgame)
3/10	3B-Mike Moustakas	Signed as a Major League free agent	4/24	C-Cam Gallagher	Optioned to Omaha
	OF-Jorge Bonifacio	Placed on restricted list		OF-Alex Gordon	Returned from rehab assignment/reinstated from disabled list
3/18	RHP-Justin Grimm	Signed as a Major League free agent		RHP-Justin Grimm	Placed on 10-day disabled list (lower back stiffness), retro 4/22
3/21	RHP-Sam Gaviglio	Traded to Toronto for a player to be named/cash considerations		OF-Paulo Orlando	Optioned to Omaha
3/29	RHP-Blaine Boyer	Selected from Omaha (AAA)		C-Salvador Perez	Returned from rehab assignment/reinstated from disabled list
	INF-Ryan Goins	Selected from Omaha		LHP-Eric Stout	Recalled from Omaha
	C-Cam Gallagher	Recalled from Omaha	4/27	OF-Bubba Starling	Reinstated from 10-day DL/Optioned to Omaha
	RHP-Wily Peralta	Designated for assignment	4/28	RHP-Trevor Oaks	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)/Optioned after second game
	RHP-Kyle Zimmer	Designated for assignment		RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha
	RHP-Nate Karns	Placed on 10-day DL (right elbow inflammation), retro to 3/26		LHP-Eric Stout	Optioned to Omaha
	INF-Adalberto Mondesi	Placed on 10-day DL (right shoulder impingement), retro to 3/26	4/30	INF-Adalberto Mondesi	Reinstated from 10-day DL/Optioned to Omaha
	C-Salvador Perez	Placed on 10-day DL (left knee sprain), retro to 3/26	5/3	RHP-Brandon Maurer	Outrighted to Omaha
	OF-Bubba Starling	Placed on 10-day DL (left oblique strain), retro to 3/26	5/4	RHP-Jason Adam	Selected from Omaha
3/31	RHP-Wily Peralta	Outrighted to Omaha		RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha
4/2	OF-Abraham Almonte	Claimed off waivers from Cleveland	5/13	RHP-Justin Grimm	Sent on a rehab assignment to Omaha
	RHP-Miguel Almonte	Designated for assignment	5/14	INF/OF-Hunter Dozier	Recalled from Omaha
4/10	OF-Abraham Almonte	Recalled from Omaha		1B-Lucas Duda	Placed on 10-day disabled list (right foot plantar fasciitis)
	OF-Alex Gordon	Placed on 10-day DL (left hip labral tear)			
4/13	RHP-Kevin McCarthy	Recalled from Omaha			
	RHP-Brandon Maurer	Optioned to Omaha			
4/15	C-Salvador Perez	Sent on a rehab assignment to Northwest Arkansas			
4/17	RHP-Scott Barlow	Recalled from Omaha (26th man)			
	RHP-Scott Barlow	Optioned to Omaha (postgame)			
4/18	C-Salvador Perez	Rehab assignment transferred to Omaha			

Royals Ejections

Date	Player/Coach	Umpire/Type of Play

Instant Replay Reviews

Date	Opponent	Inning	Original Call	Score at Time	Time Delay	Outcome	Challenge Record
4/2	at Detroit	9	Orlando out at 1B	1-6	1:10	Overtuned	KC 1-0
4/7	at Cleveland	5	Davis out at 1B	0-0	1:41	Stands	Opp 0-1
4/8	at Cleveland	8	Ramirez safe at 1B	1-1	1:06	Overtuned	KC 2-0
4/9	Seattle	2	Moustakas out at 1B	3-0	0:36	Overtuned	KC 3-0
4/10	Seattle	5	Marjama out at 2B on SB	2-5	1:00	Stands	Opp 0-2
4/17	at Toronto-1	5	Pillar catch in CF	3-2	0:51	Overtuned	KC 4-0
		5	Smoak out at 3B	3-4	1:57	Stands	Opp 0-3
4/18	at Toronto	3	Martin out at 2B on force	2-4	0:36	Overtuned	Opp 1-3
4/20	at Detroit-1	6	Candelario out at 1B on pickoff	1-2	1:05	Overtuned	KC 5-0
4/26	Chicago White Sox	7	Anderson safe at 1B	2-6	1:10	Overtuned	KC 6-0
5/2	at Boston	3	Soler out at 2B	3-0	1:16	Overtuned	KC 7-0
		6	Jay safe at 1B	3-4	0:53	Overtuned	Opp 2-3
		6	Nunez safe at 1B on pickoff	3-4	0:40	Overtuned	KC 8-0
		9	Duda HBP	4-5	0:53	Overtuned	Opp 3-3
5/4	Detroit	5	Duda safe at 1B	0-0	1:31	Overtuned	Opp 4-3
		7	McCann safe at 2B on SB attempt	0-0	0:32	Overtuned	KC 9-0
5/9	at Baltimore	6	Trumbo safe at 1B	3-3	1:13	Overtuned	KC 10-0
		9	Merrifield out at 2B	3-5	0:57	Overtuned	KC 11-0
5/10	at Baltimore	9	Soler out at 2B	6-11	2:40	Stands	KC 11-1
5/14	Tampa Bay	8	Gomez out at 1B	1-2	0:54	Stands	Opp 4-4

Possible Outcomes - Confirmed, Stands or Overtuned

The Lineup Card

Starts by Batting Order

1st: Almonte (0-1), Jay (6-22), Merrifield (7-6)
2nd: Almonte (0-1), Cuthbert (1-0), Jay (0-1), Merrifield (4-16), Moustakas (2-2), Soler (6-9)
3rd: Cuthbert (1-0), Moustakas (10-26), Perez (2-3)
4th: Cuthbert (2-3), Duda (2-14), Moustakas (0-1), Perez (6-11), Soler (3-0)
5th: Cuthbert (4-7), Duda (4-10), Escobar (0-1), Jay (1-1), Merrifield (0-1), Orlando (2-1), Soler (2-8)
6th: Almonte (3-4), Cuthbert (1-3), Duda (0-2), Goins (1-2), Gordon (0-1), Jay (4-3), Merrifield (2-4), Orlando (1-2), Soler (1-8)
7th: Almonte (1-2), Cuthbert (1-1), Dozier (0-1), Duda (2-0), Escobar (1-3), Gallagher (1-0), Goins (1-3), Gordon (5-13), Jay (0-1), Orlando (1-5)
8th: Almonte (0-1), Cuthbert (1-3), Escobar (9-19), Goins (0-1), Gordon (3-5)
9th: Almonte (1-2), Butera (6-13), Dozier (0-1), Escobar (3-6), Gallagher (1-5), Goins (1-2), Gordon (1-0)

Starts by Position

P: Duffy (1-8), Hammel (1-7), Junis (5-3), Kennedy (3-6), Oaks (0-1), Skoglund (3-4)
C: Butera (6-13), Gallagher (1-5), Perez (6-11)
1B: Cuthbert (5-4), Dozier (0-2), Duda (7-22), Merrifield (1-1)
2B: Goins (3-8), Merrifield (10-20)
3B: Cuthbert (4-6), Moustakas (9-23)
SS: Escobar (13-29)
LF: Gordon (4-12), Jay (8-15), Orlando (1-2)
CF: Almonte (5-11), Gordon (4-7), Jay (1-5), Merrifield (0-1), Orlando (3-5)
RF: Jay (1-5), Merrifield (1-2), Soler (11-22)
DH: Cuthbert (2-6), Duda (1-4), Gallagher (1-0), Gordon (1-0), Jay (1-3), Merrifield (1-2), Moustakas (3-7), Orlando (0-1), Perez (2-3), Soler (1-3)

Daily Update

Score by Innings

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Total
Royals	39	11	17	25	18	23	12	14	7	-	-	1	3	-	-	170
Opponents	30	13	26	42	26	25	34	30	7	2	3	1	2	-	-	241

Victory Margin

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15+
Royals	6	2	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Opponents	9	4	3	3	3	1	1	3	1	1	-	-	-	-	-

Lineup Production

Batting Order	HR	RBI
1st	2	15
2nd	6	19
3rd	9	28
4th	8	28
5th	5	18
6th	3	14
7th	2	12
8th	2	9
9th	1	16

Kansas City By the Days

Monday	1-3
Tuesday	3-5
Wednesday	0-5
Thursday	1-4
Friday	3-4
Saturday	2-6
Sunday	3-2

Multi-Run Innings for Royals

# of runs	# times	last time
2 runs	25	5/15 vs. TB (7th inning, 2 hits)
3 runs	12	5/11 @ CLE (6th inning, 3 hits)
4 runs	3	5/10 @ BAL (1st inning, 3 hits)
5 runs	2	4/22 @ DET (6th inning, 3 hits)
6 runs	-	-
7 runs	-	-
8 runs	-	-
9 runs	-	-
10 runs	1	5/8 @ BAL (1st inning, 9 hits)



Miscellaneous Statistics

Team Batting

Most runs, game
 Most runs, extra-inning game
 Most hits, game
 Most hits, extra-inning game
 Fewest hits, game
 Most runs, inning
 Most hits, inning
 Most doubles, game
 Most doubles, extra-inning game
 Most triples, game
 Most triples, extra-inning game
 Most home runs, game
 Most home runs, extra-inning game
 Most home runs, inning
 Most extra-base hits, game
 Most extra-base hits, extra-inning game
 Most steals, game
 Most times caught stealing, game
 Most sacrifice flies, game
 Most sacrifices, game
 Most strikeouts, game
 Most strikeouts, extra-inning game
 Most walks, game
 Most walks, extra-inning game
 Most left on base, game
 Most left on base, extra-inning game
 Fewest left on base, game
 Fewest left on base, extra-inning game
 Most double plays turned
 Most errors, game

Individual Batting:

Most hits, game
 Most hits, extra-inning game
 Most runs, game
 Most doubles, game
 Most triples, game
 Most home runs, game
 Most RBI, game
 Most RBI, extra-inning game
 Most total bases, game
 Most total bases, extra-inning game
 Most walks, game
 Most stolen bases, game
 Longest hitting streak (min. 5 games)

Individual Pitching:

Most innings pitched, starter
 Most innings pitched, reliever
 Most strikeouts, starter
 Most strikeouts, reliever
 Most walks, starter
 Most walks, reliever
 Most runs allowed
 Most home runs allowed
 Consecutive scoreless innings, starter
 Consecutive scoreless innings, reliever
 Longest winning streak (2 or more)

Team Miscellaneous:

Longest winning streak, overall
 Longest winning streak, home
 Longest winning streak, road
 Longest losing streak, overall
 Longest losing streak, home
 Longest losing streak, road
 Longest game-inning, home
 Longest game-inning, road
 Longest game-time, home
 Longest game-time, road
 Longest game-time (extra-innings, home)
 Longest game-time (extra-innings, road)
 Shortest game-time home
 Shortest game-time road
 Shortest game-time (extra-innings, home)
 Shortest game-time (extra-innings, road)
 Largest crowd-home
 Smallest crowd-home
 Largest crowd-road
 Smallest crowd-road
 Largest winning margin
 Largest losing margin
 Largest deficit overcome to win
 Largest lead lost

Royals

15 May 8 @ Baltimore
 7 May 1 @ Boston
 20 May 8 @ Baltimore
 15 May 1 @ Boston
 3 April 7 @ Cleveland
 10 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 9 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 6 May 11 @ Cleveland
 2 Thrice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 1 4 times, last: May 14 vs. Tampa Bay
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 5 May 8 @ Baltimore
 2 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 4 May 8 @ Baltimore (1st)
 7 May 11 @ Cleveland
 4 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 4 May 6 vs. Detroit
 2 April 17 @ Toronto-1
 2 Twice, last: May 8 @ Baltimore
 1 4 times, last: May 15 vs. Tampa Bay
 13 April 30 @ Boston
 11 May 1 @ Boston
 8 April 22 @ Detroit
 4 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 11 April 26 vs. Chicago White Sox
 12 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 Twice, last: May 6 vs. Detroit
 10 Twice, last: April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 3 April 8 @ Cleveland
 2 Thrice, last: April 25 vs. Milwaukee

4 Gordon (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 4 Jay (May 1 @ Boston)
 3 Twice, last: Jay (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 3 Duda (May 11 @ Cleveland)
 1 4 times, last: Jay (May 14 vs. Tampa Bay)
 2 Twice, Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore), Cuthbert (April 29 vs. Chicago White Sox)
 5 Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 3 Soler (May 1 @ Boston)
 9 Moustakas (May 8 @ Baltimore)
 6 Soler (May 1 @ Boston)
 3 Twice, Soler (April 22 @ Detroit), Cuthbert (April 9 vs. Seattle)
 3 Merrifield (May 6 vs. Detroit)
 14 Moustakas (April 8-22)

9.0 Hammel (April 20 @ Detroit-1)
 3.0 5 times, last: Flynn (May 13 @ Cleveland)
 9 Skoglund (April 28 vs. Chicago White Sox-2)
 4 Smith (April 17 @ Toronto-1)
 5 Duffy (April 13 @ Cleveland)
 3 Twice, Grimm (April 17 @ Toronto-2), Smith (May 11 @ Cleveland)
 9 Thrice, last: Duffy (May 13 @ Cleveland)
 5 Junis (April 26 vs. Chicago White Sox) - tied franchise record
 16.0 Junis (April 3-14)
 9.2 Herrera (March 29-April 28)
 3 McCarthy (April 22-May 3)

2 April 28-29, May 3-4, May 6-8
 4 April 28-May 4
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 9 April 10-20
 10 April 10-28 (Game 1)
 5 April 17-20
 11 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 13 May 1 @ Boston
 3:26 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 3:34 May 11 @ Cleveland
 3:34 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 4:25 May 1 @ Boston
 2:16 May 6 vs. Detroit
 2:17 April 3 @ Detroit
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 2:46 April 20 @ Detroit-1
 36,517 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 12,324 April 9 vs. Seattle
 34,720 April 6 @ Cleveland
 10,863 May 8 @ Baltimore
 10 April 9 vs. Seattle
 10 April 18 @ Toronto (5-15)
 5 May 11 @ Cleveland (trailed 4-9 after 4, won 10-9)
 4 Twice, last: May 10 at Baltimore (led 4-0 after 1/2; lost 6-11)

Opponents

15 April 18 @ Toronto
 7 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 16 April 21 @ Detroit
 12 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 April 9 vs. Seattle
 6 Thrice, last: May 11 @ Cleveland (4th)
 6 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox (4th)
 5 May 5 vs. Detroit
 3 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 2 April 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 6 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 Twice, last: May 1 @ Boston
 3 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox (4th)
 9 March 29 vs. Chicago White Sox
 6 April 27 vs. Chicago White Sox
 2 Thrice, last: April 13 vs. Los Angeles Angels
 2 May 14 vs. Tampa Bay
 2 April 25 vs. Milwaukee
 2 May 15 vs. Tampa Bay
 11 Twice, last: May 3 vs. Detroit
 13 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 8 April 21 @ Detroit
 7 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 12 April 21 @ Detroit
 11 April 17 @ Toronto-2
 3 Twice, last: May 14 vs. Tampa Bay
 3 April 20 @ Detroit-1
 3 Thrice, last: May 10 @ Baltimore
 4 May 1 @ Boston

Upcoming Milestones

Alcides Escobar
 2 SB to tie for 8th on KC all-time list (J. Damon-156)
 19 G to tie for 9th on KC all-time list (B. Butler-1,166)

Alex Gordon 2 SB for 100
 6 HR to tie for fourth on KC all-time list (H. McRae-169)
Jason Hammel 8 wins to 100

Ian Kennedy 8 wins to 100
Ned Yost 1 win for 1,100 career

Royals Record When:

Lead after six innings: 7-4
Lead after seven innings: 9-3
Lead after eight innings: 11-0
Starter works more than 6.0 IP: 5-6
Score first: 8-12
Score more than three runs: 10-10
Hit home run: 9-16
Series opener: 4-10
10 or more hits: 6-11

Tied after six innings: 5-2
Tied after seven innings: 2-5
Tied after eight innings: 0-5
Starter works 6.0 IP: 3-6
Opponents score first: 6-18
Score three runs or less: 3-19
Do not homer: 4-13
Series finale: 4-9
Opponents 10 or more hits: 5-16

Trail after six innings: 1-23
Trail after seven innings: 2-21
Trail after eight innings: 3-24
Starter works less than 6.0 IP: 5-17
In the last turn at bat (KC/OPP): 4/6
Walkoff wins (KC/OPP): -/3
Comeback wins (KC/OPP): 7/15
Errorless games by KC: 10-17
Extra Innings 1-3



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2018 Day-By-Days

Date	Opponent	D/N	W-L	Score	Record	Pos.	GB	Winning Pitcher	Losing Pitcher	Save	Home Att.	Home No.	Home Total	Road No.	Road Total		
March (0-2)																	
3/29	CWS	D	L,	7-14	0-1	T3	-1.0	Shields	Duffy (0-1)	-	36,517	1	36,517				
3/31	CWS	N	L,	3-4	0-2	5	-2.0	Farquhar	Maurer (R, 0-1)	Soria	17,564	2	54,081				
April (7-19)																	
4/1	CWS	D						<i>PPD - Snow/Cold, makeup scheduled for 4/28</i>									
4/2	at Det	D	L,	1-6	0-3	5	-2.0	Liriano	Hammel (0-1)	-	15,476			1	15,476		
4/3	at Det	D	W,	1-0	1-3	4	-1.0	Junis (1-0)	Boyd	Herrera (1)	15,083			2	30,559		
4/4	at Det	D						<i>PPD - Snow/Cold, makeup scheduled for 4/20</i>									
4/6	at Cle	D	L,	2-3	1-4	5	-2.5	Carrasco	Duffy (0-2)	Allen	34,720			3	65,279		
4/7	at Cle	D	W,	1-0	2-4	5	-1.5	Kennedy (1-0)	Bauer	Herrera (2)	17,362			4	82,641		
4/8	at Cle	D	L,	1-3	2-5	5	-2.0	Allen	Maurer (R, 0-2)	-	14,240			5	96,881		
4/9	Sea	N	W,	10-0	3-5	4	-1.0	Junis (2-0)	Gonzales	-	12,324	3	66,405				
4/10	Sea	N	L,	3-8	3-6	4	-2.0	Hernandez	Skoglund (0-1)	-	14,850	4	81,255				
4/11	Sea	D	L,	2-4	3-7	5	-3.0	Vincent	Grimm (R, 0-1)	Diaz	14,314	5	95,569				
4/12	LAA	N	L,	1-7	3-8	5	-4.0	Tropeano	Kennedy (1-1)	-	14,714	6	110,283				
4/13	LAA	N	L,	4-5	3-9	5	-4.5	Wood	Grimm (R, 0-2)	Middleton	15,011	7	125,294				
4/14	LAA	N	L,	3-5	3-10	5	-5.0	Richards	Junis (2-1)	Middleton	15,876	8	141,170				
4/15	LAA	D						<i>PPD - Cold, makeup scheduled for 6/25</i>									
4/16	at Tor	N						<i>PPD - Roof damage, makeup scheduled for 4/17 as doubleheader</i>									
4/17	at Tor	D	L,	3-11	3-11	-	-	Garcia	Skoglund (0-2)	-	-			6			
4/17	at Tor	N	L,	4-5 (10)	3-12	5	-6.0	Clippard	Flynn (R, 0-1)	-	18,645			7	115,526		
4/18	at Tor	D	L,	5-15	3-13	5	-6.5	Happ	Kennedy (1-2)	-	28,803			8	144,329		
4/20	at Det	D	L,	2-3 (10)	3-14	-	-	Jimenez	Keller (R, 0-1)	-	15,406			9	159,735		
4/20	at Det	N	W,	3-2	4-14	5	-6.0	Junis (3-1)	Greene	Herrera (3)	17,194			10	176,929		
4/21	at Det	D	L,	4-12	4-15	5	-6.5	Fiers	Duffy (0-3)	Saupold	19,302			11	196,231		
4/22	at Det	D	W,	8-5	5-15	5	-6.5	McCarthy (R, 1-0)	VerHagen	Herrera (4)	19,034			12	215,265		
4/24	Mil	N	L,	2-5	5-16	5	-7.0	Davies	Kennedy (1-3)	-	16,555	9	157,725				
4/25	Mil	N	L,	2-6	5-17	5	-8.0	Chacin	Hammel (0-2)	-	13,389	10	171,114				
4/26	CWS	N	L,	3-6	5-18	5	-8.0	Giolito	Junis (3-2)	Soria	18,315	11	189,429				
4/27	CWS	N	L,	4-7 (11)	5-19	5	-9.0	Infante	Hill (R, 0-1)	Soria	15,395	12	204,824				
4/28	CWS	D	L,	0-8	5-20	-	-	Fulmer	Oaks (0-1)	-	16,971	13	221,795				
4/28	CWS	N	W,	5-2	6-20	5	-8.5	Skoglund (1-2)	Covey	Herrera (5)	16,070	14	237,865				
4/29	CWS	D	W,	5-4	7-20	5	-7.5	McCarthy (R, 2-0)	Rondon	Boyer (1)	23,892	15	261,757				
4/30	at Bos	N	L,	6-10	7-21	5	-8.5	Velazquez	Hammel (0-3)	-	31,314			13	246,579		
May (6-8)																	
5/1	at Bos	N	W,	7-6 (13)	8-21	5	-7.5	Herrera (R, 1-0)	Johnson	Flynn (1)	34,466			14	281,045		
5/2	at Bos	D	L,	4-5	8-22	5	-8.5	Pomeranz	Duffy (0-4)	Kimbrel	32,267			15	313,312		
5/3	Det	D	W,	10-6	9-22	5	-8.0	McCarthy (R, 3-0)	Bell	-	28,866	16	290,623				
5/4	Det	N	W,	4-2	10-22	T4	-7.0	Boyer (R, 1-0)	Stumpf	Herrera (6)	24,648	17	315,271				
5/5	Det	D	L	2-3	10-23	T4	-7.0	Zimmermann	Hammel (0-4)	Greene	20,708	18	335,979				
5/6	Det	D	W,	4-2	11-23	4	-6.0	Junis (4-2)	Boyd	Herrera (7)	18,424	19	354,403				
5/8	at Bal	N	W,	15-7	12-23	4	-5.0	Duffy (1-4)	Bundy	-	10,863			16	324,175		
5/9	at Bal	N	L,	3-5	12-24	4	-6.0	Bleier	McCarthy (R, 3-1)	Brach	14,375			17	338,550		
5/10	at Bal	N	L,	6-11	12-25	4	-6.5	Castro	Kennedy (1-4)	-	17,842			18	356,392		
5/11	at Cle	N	W	10-9	13-25	4	-5.5	Keller (R, 1-1)	Miller	Herrera (8)	24,408			19	380,800		
5/12	at Cle	D	L,	2-6	13-26	4	-6.5	Clevinger	Junis (4-3)	-	24,587			20	405,387		
5/13	at Cle	D	L,	2-11	13-27	4	-7.5	Kluber	Duffy (1-5)	-	22,105			21	427,492		
5/14	TB	N	L,	1-2	13-28	4	-7.5	Yarbrough	Skoglund (1-3)	Colome	14,174	20	368,577				
5/15	TB	N	L,	5-6	13-29	4	-7.5	Venters	Herrera (R, 1-1)	Colome	21,500	21	390,077				
5/16	TB	D															
5/18	NYY	N															
5/19	NYY	N															
5/20	NYY	D															
5/21	at StL	N															
5/22	at StL	N															
5/23	at StL	D															
5/24	at Tex	N															
5/25	at Tex	N															
5/26	at Tex	D															
5/27	at Tex	D															
5/28	Min	N															
5/29	Min	N															
5/30	Min	N															

Minor League Report

Omaha Storm Chasers (AAA)
Pacific Coast League
American Conference, Northern Division
(14-25)

	R	H	E	LOB
Omaha	0	8	0	9
New Orleans (Marlins)	16	18	0	11

LP: Jonathan Dzedzic (1-5)
HR: None

New Orleans scored five in the fourth and added on from there to earn a series split. Ramon Torres went 2-for-4 at the plate, while Cam Gallagher hit his fourth double of the season. Four Storm Chaser pitchers combined to give up 13 runs over the first 7.0 frames, before position player Humberto Arteaga pitched the eighth.

NW Arkansas Naturals (AA)
Texas League
North Division
(16-21)

(10 innings)	R	H	E	LOB
Arkansas (Mariners)	2	10	2	8
NW Arkansas	4	8	0	2

WP: Luis Vasquez (2-0)
HR: Nick Dini (1)

Nick Dini hit a walkoff two-run homer in the 10th inning to lift Northwest Arkansas past Arkansas. Foster Griffin surrendered just two runs on eight hits with five strikeouts in 7.0 innings of work. Jecksson Flores extended his hitting streak to 11 games, and Nicky Lopez went 2-for-3 with a triple to push his run to six games. Jake Newberry pitched 2.0 scoreless frames out of the bullpen.

Wilmington Blue Rocks (A-Advanced)
Carolina League
Northern Division
(15-21)

(PPD - Rain)	R	H	E	LOB
Myrtle Beach (Cubs)				
Wilmington				

Wilmington had its series opener with Myrtle Beach postponed due to rain. The two teams will play a split doubleheader today.

Lexington Legends (A)
South Atlantic League
Southern Division
(18-18)

	R	H	E	LOB
Greenville (Red Sox)	3	10	1	9
Lexington	4	9	1	7

WP: Janser Lara (1-2)
HR: MJ Melendez (5), Ricky Aracena (1), Cal Jones (2)

Lexington walked off winners on a solo homer by Cal Jones. Greenville led 3-1 through six, but a blast by Ricky Aracena in the seventh and an RBI double by Dennicher Carrasco tied the game in the eighth. Janser Lara earned the win by pitching four scoreless out of the bullpen.

Idaho Falls Chukars (R)
Pioneer League
South Division

Begin play June 15
vs. Ogden (Dodgers)

Burlington Royals (R)
Appalachian League
East Division

Begin play June 19
at Elizabethton (Twins)

Surprise Royals (R)
Arizona League
West Division

Begin play in June
Schedule TBA