



CHICAGO WHITE SOX

2018 GAME NOTES AND INFORMATION

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CHICAGO WHITE SOX (20-40) at BOSTON RED SOX (43-20)

RHP Dylan Covey (1-1, 2.82) vs. LHP Chris Sale (5-3, 3.00)
Games #61/Road #32 • Friday, June 8 • 6:10 p.m. • Fenway Park
WGN-TV • WGN Radio 720-AM • MLB.TV

WHITE SOX AT A GLANCE

- The Chicago White Sox have won four of their last seven games as they continue a seven-game, six-day trip this afternoon with the opener in Boston.
- RHP Dylan Covey, who is 1-0 with a 1.65 ERA (3 ER/16.1 IP) over his last three starts, takes the mound for the White Sox.
- The Sox opened the trip by splitting a four-game set at Minnesota, suffering a 7-2 loss yesterday in their bid for a series win.
- Following this three-game series, the White Sox return home for seven games vs. Cleveland (6/11-14) and Detroit (6/15-17).
- The Sox went 2-1 on their last homestand vs. Milwaukee from 6/1-3 and 1-5 on the last trip to Detroit (1-2) and Cleveland (0-3) from 5/25-30.

TONIGHT'S STORYLINES

- Chris Sale, who went 74-50 with a 3.00 ERA and 1,244 strikeouts over seven seasons with the White Sox, faces his former team for the second time with Boston.
- The White Sox have lost five straight games at Fenway Park after winning six of their previous seven.
- The Sox have lost 15 of their last 19 road games and are 10-21 (.323) on the road this season, the second-lowest winning percentage in the major leagues behind Baltimore (.273).
- The White Sox bullpen owns a 2.76 ERA (24 ER/78.1 IP) over the last 24 games.
- José Abreu is a .354/.425/.662 (23-65) hitter with eight double, four homers and 14 RBI in 16 games at Fenway Park.

YESTERDAY'S RECAP

- José Berríos struck out 10 batters in a complete-game effort as Minnesota salvaged a four-game split with a 7-2 victory over the White Sox.
- Berríos retired the first 14 batters before Omar Narváez doubled with two outs in the fifth inning ... Narváez collected two of Chicago's six hits ... Yoán Moncada and José Abreu hit RBI doubles in the sixth inning to account for the Sox runs.
- James Shields suffered the loss, allowing seven runs on eight hits over 6.0 IP, his ninth consecutive start lasting at least 6.0 IP.
- Xavier Cedeño threw 1.0 scoreless IP in his Sox debut.
- The game lasted 2:14, the Sox fastest of the season.

HAWK'S FAREWELL

- Ken "Hawk" Harrelson, who is in his 33rd and final season in the White Sox television booth in 2018, will work primarily Sunday home games this season as well as select other contests.
- Harrelson played for the Red Sox from 1967-69 and worked in the their broadcast booth from 1975-81 ... he was a member of the 1967 "Impossible Dream" Red Sox team that lost to St. Louis in the World Series and was named American League Player of the Year in 1968 after leading the majors with 109 RBI and ranking third with 35 home runs.
- Harrelson will serve as a White Sox ambassador throughout the 2019 season, marking his eighth decade in baseball.

SOX DRAFT RECAP

- The White Sox selected 20 pitchers (12 RHP and eight LHP), five catchers, 10 infielders and five outfielders in the 2018 First-Year Player Draft ... the Sox drafted 29 collegiate players and 11 from high school.
- The White Sox opened the draft on 6/4 by taking Oregon State INF Nick Madrigal in the first round (fourth overall) ... Madrigal and No. 3 Oregon State are scheduled to play Minnesota today at 4 p.m. CT in an NCAA Super Regional in Corvallis, Ore.

LONG BALL

- José Abreu is tied with Jim Thome for 13th place in White Sox history with 134 home runs ... Minnie Miñoso is 12th in Sox history with 135 home runs, José Valentín is 11th with 136 and Ron Kittle is 10th with 140.
- Yoán Moncada has hit three leadoff home runs in 2018, already tied for the 11th-highest, single-season total in franchise history ... Ray Durham holds the Sox record with six in 2001.

STOP! THIEF!

- The White Sox lead the major leagues with 53 stolen bases this season and rank second with an 82.8 (53-64) success rate.
- The Sox are on pace to steal 143 bases, which would be five less than their combined total of 148 from 2016-17 ... they have not led the majors in steals since 1966 (153).

QUALITY AND QUANTITY

- The White Sox have made a major-league leading 1,339 quality starts since the start of the 2003 season, three more than the second-place New York Mets (1,336) and 43 more than Oakland (1,295), the next-closest American League team.

WHITE SOX VS. BOSTON

- The White Sox have lost five straight games at Fenway Park after winning six of their previous seven.
- Chicago went 1-6 against the Red Sox in 2017, winning the opener before dropping the final six ... Boston's four-game sweep on 8/3-6/17 was its first against the White Sox at Fenway Park since 7/21-24/88.
- The White Sox batted .242/.287/.348 with a 6.13 ERA (42 ER/61.2 IP) and were outscored by the Red Sox, 43-24.
- Chicago trails in the all-time series, 939-982, going 542-417 at home (54-59 at Guaranteed Rate Field) and 397-564 on the road (350-497 at Fenway Park).

SOX CONNECTIONS

- White Sox INF Yoán Moncada appeared in eight games with the Red Sox in 2016 after signing as an international free agent on 3/12/15.
- Red Sox LHP Chris Sale was selected by the White Sox in the first round of the 2010 draft and pitched for the club from 2010-17.

LOOKING FOR AN EDGE VS. THE EAST

- The White Sox are 183-225 vs. the American League East since 2007, with their only winning record during that span coming in 2016 (19-14).
- The Sox are 4-6 vs. the AL East this season (1-2 on the road) after going 13-20 in 2017.

NO REST FOR THE WEARY

- The White Sox are in the middle of a stretch from 6/5-24 where they play 21 games in 20 days from 6/5-24 (2-2 so far) ... they also are in the middle of a stretch from 5/25-6/10 where they play 13 of 16 games on the road.

30/30 THREAT

- SS Tim Anderson (11 HR/13 SB) is one of four players in the major leagues this season with at least 10 home runs and 10 stolen bases, joining Boston's Mookie Betts (17/13) and Andrew Benintendi (11/10) and the Angels Mike Trout (19/13).
- Anderson is on pace to record career highs with 30 homers and 35 stolen bases ... the 30 home runs would be the most by a shortstop in Sox history, and the 35 steals would be the most since Ozzie Guillén in 1989 (36).

ABREU IN ELITE COMPANY

- José Abreu entered 2018 as one of three players in major-league history to begin his career with at least four consecutive seasons of 25-plus homers and 100-plus RBI, joining Joe DiMaggio (1936-41) and Albert Pujols.
- Abreu also has joined Al Simmons (11, 1924-34), Pujols (10, 2001-10), Ted Williams (1939-42, '46-49) and DiMaggio (1936-42) as the only players in history to record 100 or more RBI in each of his first four seasons.

TRIPLE THE FUN

- The White Sox lead the American League and rank fourth in the majors this season with 18 triples ... the Sox led the AL with 37 triples last season, their highest total since 1999 (also 37).
- Yolmer Sánchez is tied for the major-league lead with six triples in 2018 after ranking sixth last season with eight.

NO RISP, NO REWARD

- The White Sox rank 12th in the American League with a .229 (107-460) average with RISP in 2018.
- The Sox are hitting .200 (24-120) with RISP in their last 17 road games (since 5/1).

SEEING STARS

- OF Eloy Jiménez, SS Danny Mendick, RHP Ian Hamilton, and C's Zack Collins and Seby Zavala will represent Class AA Birmingham in the 2018 Southern League All-Star Game.
- Those five will play for the North Division All-Stars on 6/19 at Birmingham's Regions Field.
- Class A Kannapolis will send seven players plus manager Justin Jirschele to the South Atlantic League All-Star Game.
- RHPs Blake Battenfield, Jake Elliott and Tyler Johnson, OFs Craig Dedelow and Luis González and INFs Tate Blackman and Laz Rivera will represent the Intimidators at the All-Star Game on 6/19 in Greensboro, S.C.

AT THE HELM

- Rick Renteria is in his second season after being named the 40th manager in White Sox history on 10/3/16.
- Renteria was the only Latino manager in the major leagues in 2017 but has been joined by Boston's Alex Cora and Washington's Dave Martinez in 2018.

WHITE SOX 2018 BREAKDOWN

Sox After 60 61 in 2017	26-34 26-35
Streak	Lost 1
Current Trip	2-2
Last Homestand	2-1
Last 10 Games	4-6
Series Record	4-14-2
Series First Game	6-14
First Second Half	20-40 0-0
Home Road	10-19 10-21
Day Night	8-22 12-18
Opp. At-Above Below .500	6-20 14-20
vs. RHS LHS	15-31 5-9
vs. AL East/Central/West	4-6/9-16/4-9
Interleague	3-9
Comeback W's L's After Leading	14 17
Extra Innings	1-2
One-Run Two-Run Games	5-14 3-5
Ahead After 6 7 8	14-7 13-6 18-3
Behind After 6 7 8	4-30 4-32 0-37
Tied After 6 7 8	2-3 3-2 2-0
Sox Opp. Score First	7-16 13-24
Sox Opp. Score 4+	17-14 5-33
Sox Opp. Score 3 or Less	3-26 15-7
April May June	8-18 8-19 4-3
Average Time of Game	3:07

UPCOMING PROBABLES

AT BOSTON RED SOX
Friday: 6:10 p.m. CT | WGN-TV
 RHP **Dylan Covey** (1-1, 2.82) vs.
 LHP **Chris Sale** (5-3, 3.00)
Saturday: 3:05 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
 TBA vs.
 LHP **David Price** (6-4, 4.08)
Sunday: 12:05 p.m. CT | NBCSCH
 RHP **Reynaldo López** (1-4, 3.42) vs.
 RHP **Rick Porcello** (8-2, 3.59)

WHITE SOX VS. BOSTON (0-0)

Date	H/R	Result	WP	LP
6/8	R	6:10 p.m. CT		WGN-TV
6/9	R	3:05 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
6/10	R	12:05 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
8/30	H	7:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
8/31	H	7:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH
9/1	H	6:10 p.m. CT		WGN-TV
9/2	H	1:10 p.m. CT		NBCSCH

SOX ON THE TRIP (2-2)

at MIN/BOS 2-2/0-0
 Runs Scored | Allowed 15 | 16
 AVG | OBP | SLG | HR234 | .276 | .358 | 2
 ERA 4.24 (16 ER/34.0 IP)
 Quality Starts 2

WHITE SOX CAREER HR LEADERS

Player	HR
10. Ron Kittle	140
11. José Valentín	136
12. Minnie Miñoso	135
13. José Abreu	134
Jim Thome	134

BEST AL RELIEF ERA SINCE 5/13

Club	ERA
Boston Red Sox	1.93
New York Yankees	2.26
Texas Rangers	2.27
Chicago White Sox	2.76
Seattle Mariners	2.79

2018 MAJOR LEAGUE LEADERS

Club	SB
Chicago White Sox	53
Washington Nationals	48
Boston Red Sox	46
Seattle Mariners	43
Milwaukee Brewers	41

Club	3B
Arizona Diamondbacks	20
Pittsburgh Pirates	20
Chicago Cubs	19
Chicago White Sox	18
Detroit Tigers	18

MOST QUALITY STARTS SINCE 2003

Club	QS
Chicago White Sox	1,339
New York Mets	1,336
St. Louis Cardinals	1,328
Chicago Cubs	1,303
Los Angeles-NL	1,302

WORST STARTS IN SOX HISTORY

Year	60 Games
1948	19-41
2018	20-40
1934	21-39
1931	21-39

THIS DAY IN SOX HISTORY - 6/8

2001: Carlos Lee hits walkoff grand slam off Courtney Duncan with two outs in the 10th inning to give the White Sox a 7-3 victory over the Cubs at new Comiskey Park.

