



Washington Nationals (29-22) at Baltimore Orioles (17-36)

LHP Gio Gonzalez (5-2, 2.38) | RHP Alex Cobb (1-6, 7.32)

Mon. May, 28, 2018 | 1:05 p.m. ET | Game #53 / Road #26

Oriole Park at Camden Yards | Baltimore, Md.

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Standing: 29-22, 3rd place, National League East • Home: 12-14 • Road: 17-8 • Streak: W3 • Last Five: 4-1 • Last Ten: 6-4

WHEN...

Leading after 6.....	25-4
Tied after 6.....	1-3
Trailing after 6.....	3-15
Leading after 7.....	23-3
Tied after 7.....	2-2
Trailing after 7.....	4-17
Leading after 8.....	25-1
Tied after 8.....	3-3
Trailing after 8.....	1-18
Extra innings.....	1-3
Scoring first.....	24-10
Opponent scores first.....	5-12
Shutouts.....	3-1
Scoring fewer than 3.....	5-12
Scoring 3 or more.....	24-10
Scoring 5 or more.....	17-4
Series opener.....	11-5
Series finale.....	8-9
Home series W-L-T.....	4-4-0
Road series W-L-T.....	5-3-0
Total series W-L-T.....	9-7-0
Home series sweeps.....	1-2
Road series sweeps.....	3-0
Total series sweeps.....	4-2
At home.....	12-14
On the road.....	17-8
After day off.....	2-3
One-run games.....	6-10
Two-run games.....	7-4
Opp. above .500.....	18-12
Opp. below .500.....	11-10
Come-from-behind wins.....	7
Last at-bat W-L.....	4-5
Walk-off W-L.....	2-0
Facing left-handed SP.....	7-11
Facing right-handed SP.....	22-11
Day games.....	11-10
Night games.....	18-12
March/April.....	13-16
May.....	16-6
June.....	0-0
July.....	0-0
August.....	0-0
Sept./Oct.....	0-0
Pre All-Star break.....	29-22
Post All-Star break.....	0-0
Wearing home whites.....	5-4
Wearing road greys.....	14-7
Wearing red alternates.....	3-3
Wearing blue alternates.....	3-0
Wearing blue stars & stripes.....	1-2
Wearing white stars & stripes.....	3-6
When homering.....	20-15
When playing error free.....	16-13
When SP goes 6.0+ IP.....	22-11
When SP goes 7.0+ IP.....	12-3
When SP goes 8.0+ IP.....	2-0
vs. NL East.....	10-8
vs. NL Central.....	7-0
vs. NL West.....	12-14
vs. AL East.....	0-0

NATIONALS NEWS

WINNING WAYS

The Washington Nationals completed their third road sweep of the season and ran their winning streak over the Marlins to 11 games on Sunday afternoon with a 5-2 win...**Stephen Strasburg** (5.0 IP, 3 H, 2 BB, 8 SO) extended his scoreless innings streak over Miami to 23.0 IP while **Anthony Rendon** (solo) and **Bryce Harper** (solo) each clubbed home runs.

- The Nationals have won five of six and 12 of their last 17 games...Moreover, since April 29, the Nationals are 18-6 and have outscored their opponents, 110-68...The 18-6 (.750) record is the best in Major League Baseball.

ROAD WARRIORS

Washington's 17-8 (.680) road record is the best in the National League and the second-best road mark in Major League Baseball...Only the Los Angeles Angels (17-7, .708) have posted a better mark away from home.

DINGERS OF THE DAY

The Nationals enter play on Sunday with 68 home runs, the most in the National League ahead of the Milwaukee Brewers (68)...**Bryce Harper** (1st, 16) and **Matt Adams** (T6th, 12) rank in the top 10 in the National League...Only the Nationals have two players in the top five and they are joined by only the Colorado Rockies in having more than one player in the top 10.

- The Nationals have homered in a season-high seven straight games.

SEAKING OF "BIG CITY"

At 2.6 plate appearances/team game, **Matt Adams** falls just short of qualifying to be among league leaders (3.1 PA/game), but if he did qualify, he would rank in the National League in slugging percentage (2nd, .613) and OPS (3rd, .978).

SUMMER OF SOTO

In seven games with the Nationals, **Juan Soto** is hitting .286 (6-for-21) with four of his six hits being extra base hits (3 2B, HR)...He has recorded three RBI, four walks and four runs scored while striking out just four times.

START ME UP

Washington's starting rotation leads the National League in ERA (2.94), strikeouts (355), opp. AVG (.211), opp. OBP (.275), hits per 9.0 IP (6.95), WHIP (1.07), and strikeouts per 9.0 IP (10.04)...The staff ranks second in strikeout-to-walk ratio (3.78), opp. SLG (.361), and opp. OPS (.636).

- Since April 28, Nationals starters have allowed three earned runs or fewer in 25 of 26 starts.
- **Max Scherzer** (2nd, .180), **Tanner Roark** (4th, .198) and **Stephen Strasburg** (9th, .216) rank in the top 10 in the National League in opp. AVG...All three also rank in the top 10 in opp. OBP: Scherzer (2nd, .244), Roark (9th, .268) and Strasburg (10th, .276).
- Scherzer (3rd, 2.13) and **Gio Gonzalez** (6th, 2.38) each rank in the top 10 in National League in ERA.

RELIEVERS ARE PEOPLE, TOO

Over the last six games, **Henry Blanco's** bullpen has tossed 18.0 innings of relief, striking out 21 batters, walking just three and surrendering just two earned runs along the way (1.00 ERA)...Nationals relievers have inherited 11 runners during this stretch and have not allowed any to score.

- On the season, Washington relievers rank among National League 'pens in strikeout-to-walk ratio (2nd, 2.86), inherited runners scored percent (3rd, 20.6%), and strikeouts per 9.0 IP (3rd, 9.75),

TURNING IT ON

Trea Turner is hitting .303 with seven doubles, five homers, 18 RBI, five stolen bases, 13 walks and 19 runs scored in 28 games since his five-hit game on April 25.

- He leads National League shortstops in on-base percentage (.361), runs scored (T1st, 29), walks (28), and stolen bases (14).
- According to FanGraphs.com, Turner leads all active National League shortstops in Wins Above Replacement at 1.6.

ALL HANDS ON DECK

Entering play on Monday, the Nationals have used 41 players so far in 2018...That number does not include the players that have been on the active roster, but did not appear in a game (**Jefry Rodriguez**, **Jhonatan Solano**, **Austin Voth**)...The 41 players used are tied for the most in Major League Baseball:

RK.	TEAM	PLAYERS
1.	Washington Nationals	41
T2.	Atlanta Braves	40
T2.	Los Angeles Angels	40
T2.	Milwaukee Brewers	40

IN THE COMMUNITY

June 8: Anthony's Academy All-Stars

Anthony's Academy All-Stars is a season-long program that gives scholar-athletes from the Nationals Youth Baseball Academy, where **Anthony Rendon** sits on the Board of Directors, the opportunity to enjoy a Nationals Baseball game. The group enjoys a behind-the-scenes look at team operations, a private meet and greet with Rendon as well as special batting practice viewing and tickets complete with NatsBucks.

NATIONALS HISTORY

May 28 (2-9 on this date)

The Nationals clubbed four home runs en route to topping the Orioles, 9-3 in Washington. **Adam LaRoche** hit two homers while **Tyler Moore** and **Roger Bernadina** also went deep.

OPPONENT

BALTIMORE ORIOLES

28 players, two managers and three coaches have suited up for both the Washington Nationals and Baltimore Orioles since 2005.

THE SERIES

The Battle of the Beltways will feature three games in Baltimore and three games in Washington D.C... The series has favored the Orioles since 2005, but the Nationals have won three of the last five matchups between the two clubs.

2018 / BY THE NUMBERS

2018 W-L..... 0-0 (0-0 in D.C., 0-0 in BAL)
Streak (since 2017)..... W2
Aggregate Score / 2018..... Nationals 0, Orioles 0

ALL-TIME SERIES / BY THE NUMBERS

W-L / Nationals (2005-present)..... 26-38
W-L / Home (2005-present)..... 15-17
W-L / Nationals Park (2008-present)..... 12-14
W-L / Away (2005-present)..... 11-21
W-L / Franchise (Expos/Nationals)..... 35-44

2018 AGAINST THE ORIOLES

DATE	RESULT	WIN-LOSS-SAVE
5/28atBAL		
5/29atBAL		
5/30atBAL		
6/19vsBAL		
6/20vsBAL		
6/21vsBAL		

DAVE MARTINEZ

Nationals manager **Dave Martinez** was named the seventh field manager in Nationals history on Oct. 30, 2017. He joined the Nationals for what will be his 30th season in professional baseball. A 16-year Major League outfielder, Martinez has been a Major League coach for the last 10 seasons, serving as Cubs manager **Joe Maddon's** bench coach and right-hand man in Chicago (2015-17) as well as Tampa Bay (2008-14). This is the first Major League managerial assignment of Martinez's career.

WHAT THEY'RE SAYING

@jorgecastillo - Washington Post (May 27)
The Nationals won 5-2. They swept the series and are 7 games over .500 (29-22) for the 1st time this season.

@masnKerr - MASNSports.com (May 27)
Justin Miller four up and four down, 2 strikeouts in 2 appearances.

@masnKerr - MASNSports.com (May 27)
Juan Soto double to left-center wall. The ball flies off this kid's bat

@masnKolk - MASN (May 27)
Even when Bryce Harper is slumping, he has the potential to destroy a baseball. That's what he just did.

@jorgecastillo - Washington Post (May 27)
Strasburg's 103rd pitch is a 97 mph fastball that gets Castro looking to end the 5th. 8 strikeouts for Strasburg. He's allowed 3 hits and walked 2. Nationals lead 2-0.

@masnKerr - MASNSports.com (May 27)
Anthony Rendon breaks the ice with a home run deep to left-center field, #5, #Nats 1-0. #Nats have homered in 7 straight games, matching season-high

SCHEDULE & PROBABLE PITCHERS

DATE	OPP/SITE	D.C. TIME	DC TV	DC RADIO	NATIONALS STARTER	OPPONENTS STARTER
Mon. May 28	at BAL	1:05 p.m.	MASN 2	106.7 The Fan	LHP Gio Gonzalez (5-2, 2.38)	RHP Alex Cobb (1-6, 7.32)
• Gio Gonzalez enters this start ranked sixth in the National League in ERA (2.38) and second in opp. AVG with runners in scoring position (.120)						
Tues., May 29	at BAL	7:05 p.m.	MASN 2	106.7 The Fan	RHP Jeremy Hellickson (1-0, 2.13)	RHP Dylan Bundy (3-6, 4.45)
• Jeremy Hellickson spent the second half of the 2017 season with the Orioles after being acquired prior to the 2017 trade deadline.						
Weds., May 30	at BAL	7:05 p.m.	MASN 2	106.7 The Fan	RHP Max Scherzer (8-1, 2.13)	RHP David Hess (2-1, 4.15)
• Since joining the Nationals in 2015, Scherzer has tossed at least 8.0 innings in three of his four starts against the Orioles.						

TEAM STATS

Table with columns: PLAYER, AVG, G, AB, R, H, TB, 2B, 3B, HR, RBI, SH, SF, HP, BB, IBB, SO, SB, CS, GIDP, E, SLG, OBP, AB, H, HR, RBI, PINCH HIT. Rows include players like Adams, Difo, and various team statistics for Washington and opponents.

Table with columns: PITCHER, R/L, W, L, ERA, G, GS, CG, GF, SHO, SV, IP, H, R, ER, HR, HB, BB, IBB, SO, WP, BK, AVG, OBP. Rows include pitchers like Collins, Doolittle, Gonzalez, and team statistics for Washington and opponents.

DAY-BY-DAY

Table with columns: DATE, OPP, RES, REC, POS/GA-B, WIN, LOSS, SAVE, ATT./TOG. Contains daily game logs with details on results, pitchers, and statistics.

HIGHS AND LOWS

Table with columns: TEAM BATTING, INDIVIDUAL BATTING, TEAM PITCHING, INDIVIDUAL PITCHING, MISCELLANEOUS TEAM. Lists key statistics and notable events for the team.