



GAME NOTES

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2019

WESTERN DIVISION CHAMPIONS
'69 '70 '87 '91

CENTRAL DIVISION CHAMPIONS
'02 '03 '04 '06 '09 '10

AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS
'65 '87 '91

WORLD CHAMPIONS
'87 '91

MINNESOTA TWINS (54-32) vs. TEXAS RANGERS (47-40)

FRIDAY, JULY 5, 2019 - 7:10 P.M. (CT) - TV: FOX SPORTS NORTH RADIO: TIBN-WCCO

LHP Martín Pérez (7-3, 4.15) vs. RHP Adrian Sampson (6-5, 4.16)

GAME 87

HOME GAME 41

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
7/6	vs. Texas	RHP Michael Pineda (5-4, 4.78) vs. RHP Jesse Chavez (3-3, 2.97)	1:10 pm (CT)	Fox Sports North	TIBN-WCCO / None
7/7	vs. Texas	TBA vs. LHP Mike Minor (8-4, 2.54)	1:10 pm (CT)	Fox Sports North	TIBN-WCCO / twinsbeisbol.com
7/8-11		Major League All-Star Break in Cleveland, Ohio			

Games can be heard via the Twins website at twinsbaseball.com. All game times are listed as Central.

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Record:	54-32
Home Record:	26-14
Road Record:	28-18
Record in series:	16-8-4
Series Openers:	17-10
Series Finales:	15-13
Rubber Games:	4-6
Sweeps/Swept:	7/0
March/April:	17-10
May:	21-8
June:	15-12
July:	1-2
August:	
September/October:	
Day Games:	21-13
Night Games:	33-19
vs. American League East:	17-9
vs. American League Central:	19-11
vs. American League West:	15-8
vs. National League:	3-4
Games vs. LH Starter:	12-8
Games vs. RH Starter:	42-24
Twins score first:	41-13
Opponent scores first:	13-18
Come-from-behind wins:	18
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	44-2/48-0
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	5-27/2-29
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	5-3/4-3
Extra-innings:	4-2
1-run games:	14-6
Twins out-hit opp.:	43-7
Opp. out-hit Twins:	8-23
Twins/Opp. have = hits:	3-2
Run Differential:	+107 (486-379)
Twins get Quality Start:	33-9
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	35-13
Most games over .500:	25, 6/16
Most games under .500:	
Longest win-streak:	6, 5/20-26
Longest losing-streak:	2, 8x, last 6/30-7/2
When Twins score 4+:	49-14
When Twins score 3-:	5-18
Twins get 10+ hits:	35-7
Days in First Place:	88
Days in Second Place:	5
Days in Third Place:	4
Days in Fourth Place:	
Days in Fifth Place:	
Walk-Off W/L:	1/0
Shutouts W/L:	6-2
CG's:	
Target Field Sellouts ('19/All-Time):	6/167

THE TWINS: The Twins completed their six-game, seven-day roadtrip with their first losing trip of the season, going 2-4 (1-2 in Chicago-AL and 1-2 in Oakland)...tonight they will begin a three-game series against Texas over the weekend to finish the "first half" of the season...the Twins are 26-14 at home this season, winning 13 of their last 19 at Target Field.

TWINS DROP ANOTHER SERIES IN OAKLAND: The Twins lost to the A's yesterday afternoon at the Coliseum by a score of 7-2, making them just 2-5 in their last seven games this season...All-Star José Berríos (8-5) was the starter and loser, allowing three runs on six hits in 5.0 innings pitched...the offense recorded 11 hits, three from Nelson Cruz...the Twins went 1-for-11 with runners in scoring position and left 11 men on base.

ROSTER MOVE: The Twins announced today that they have placed right-handed pitcher Blake Parker on the Paternity List...Parker has appeared in 32 games, going 1-2 with a 3.77 ERA (31.0 IP, 13 ER), 13 walks, 29 strikeouts and 10 saves...to replace Parker on the 25-man roster, the Twins have recalled right-handed pitcher Kohl Stewart from Triple-A Rochester... Stewart, who recently appeared in two games for the Red Wings, made three appearances (2 starts) this season for the Twins, going 1-1 with a 4.50 ERA (16.0 IP, 8 ER), five walks and four strikeouts...this will be Stewart's fourth stint with Minnesota this season.

90 DEGREE TURN: Below are 2018 and 2019 comparisons through 90 games respectively:

2018 (MLB RANK)	RECORD	2019 (MLB RANK)
41-49 (21st)	54-32 (4th)	
744 (24th)	824 (2nd)	
391 (21st)	486 (2nd)	
94 (22nd)	161 (1st)	
.242 (22nd)	.270 (1st)	
.403 (15th)	.493 (1st)	
.714 (19th)	.828 (1st)	
-.21 (19th)	+107 (3rd)	
2nd place, -8.5	1st place, +6.0	

MAKING PRE-ASG HISTORY:

- ☞ The Twins have hit 161 home runs through 86 games this season, with three games remaining before the All-Star break...161 homers ties New York-AL (161) for the most ever pre-ASG...they have already passed the all-time Twins pre-ASG record of 125, set back in 1964.
- ☞ The Twins own a team .493 slugging percentage, which ranks sixth-best in baseball history pre-All Star break, trailing New York-AL (.511 in 1936), Seattle (.503 in 1996), Houston (.500 in 2017), San Francisco (.496 in 2000) and Boston (.493 in 2003).
- ☞ The club's 54 wins are tied with their 1970 total for third most in club history before the break, trailing their 1969 total (59-37) and 2001 total (55-32).

TWINS AND TEXAS: The Twins went 2-4 against the Rangers last season, going 1-2 at Target Field from June 22-24 and 1-2 at Globe Life Park from August 31-September 2...Twins are just 4-7 in their last 11 vs. the Rangers.

- ☞ Byron Buxton has reached safely in each of his last 10 games with an at-bat vs. the Rangers, hitting .313 (10-for-32) with a .436 on-base percentage in that span.
- ☞ C.J. Cron is hitting .299 (69-for-231) with 13 doubles, three triples, eight home runs, 45 RBI, 12 walks and a .827 OPS in 65 career games vs. Texas...the hits, doubles, triples, and RBI are all his personal most vs. any opponent.
- ☞ Nelson Cruz played for the Rangers from 2006-13, hitting .268 (773-for-2886) with 170 doubles, 157 home runs and 489 RBI in 796 games...he still ranks eighth on the Rangers all-time list in home runs...he is hitting .307 (90-for-293) with 16 doubles, 21 home runs, 50 RBI and a .976 OPS in 77 career games vs. his former team.
- ☞ Miguel Sanó is hitting .344 (22-for-64) with three doubles, five home runs, 15 RBI and a 1.059 OPS in 17 career games vs. Texas.
- ☞ Jonathan Schoop enters tonight with a nine-game hitting streak vs. Texas, hitting .417 (15-for-36) with 13 RBI in that span.

GATES ARE OPEN: The Twins have sold out six games this season: Opening Day March 28 vs. Cleveland (39,519), May 25 vs. Chicago-AL (39,139), May 26 vs. Chicago-AL (39,913), June 14 vs. Kansas City (38,898), Jun 15 vs. Kansas City (39,267), and June 16 vs. Kansas City (38,886)...the last 40,000+ attendance was Opening Day of 2016 (40,638)...Twins have sold out 167 regular season games at Target Field in 767 openings since 2010.

☞ Twins rank sixth in the AL in total attendance, having drawn 996,615 this season, trailing New York (1,789,422), Los Angeles (1,595,139), Houston (1,491,294), Boston (1,484,036) and Texas (1,223,189)...through games of May 9, the Twins had the third lowest attendance in the AL at 269,493, averaging 16,843 per date.

#BOMBASQUAD: The Twins have 161 home runs on the season, the most in baseball, ahead of Seattle (155), despite playing seventh fewest games in baseball (86)...they now have a plus +57 home run differential, which also leads baseball, ahead of Los Angeles-NL (+41), then Oakland (+40)...the Twins have scored a total of 486 runs this season, 247 of those runs have been produced via home run and 239 of those have been manufactured.

FELIZ CUMPLEAÑOS!: All-Star Jorge Polanco is celebrating his 26th birthday today...he has played two career games on his birthday, first in 2017 vs. Los Angeles-AL, going 0-for-3 with a walk, then in 2018, going 1-for-3 with a double and a walk...he shares a birthday with former Twin Jesse Crain (38) and Angels star Shohei Ohtani (26).

THIS AND THAT ABOUT MARTÍN PÉREZ - FROM INSIDE EDGE:

- ☞ Pérez has thrown off-speed pitches just 14.9% of the time (45/302) vs left-handed batters this season -- lowest among qualified SPs in MLB; League Avg. 44.0%.
- ☞ Pérez has thrown his cutter 37.7% of the time (137/363) with RISP this season -- 3rd highest in MLB among starting pitchers with at least 41 IP and 41 CUT; League Avg. 18.8%.

UPCOMING MILESTONES

PLAYER	CURRENT NO.	MILESTONE WITHIN REACH
José Berríos	494 strikeouts	Need 6 to reach 500 for career.
Nelson Cruz	376 home runs	Needs 1 to tie Norm Cash & Jeff Kent for 77th on MLB all-time list.
Marwin Gonzalez	199 walks	Needs 1 to reach 200 for career.
Max Kepler	497 games	Needs 3 to reach 500 for career.
Eddie Rosario	94 home runs	Needs 6 to reach 100 for career.
Miguel Sanó	97 home runs	Needs 3 to reach 100 for career.

STREAKS

Current Streak	1 loss
Last 5 games	2-3
Last 10 games	4-6
Last 15 games	7-8
Last 20 games	10-10

TWINS VS. RANGERS

2018 Record:	2-4
Current Streak:	2 losses
2018 at Home:	1-2
2018 at Texas:	1-2
All-Time Record:	270-273
All-Time at Home:	146-122
All-Time at Texas:	124-151

2018 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
6/22	MIN	1-8	Minor/Romero/Chavez
6/23	MIN	6-9	Gallardo/Odorizzi/Kela
6/24	MIN	2-0	Berríos/Colón/Rodney
8/31	TEX	10-7	Magill/Moore
9/1	TEX	4-7	Gallardo/Berríos/Leclerc
9/2	TEX	4-18	Méndez/Moya/Butler

LAST ROADTRIP [2-4]

Batting average	.265
Runs Per Game	4.83
Home Runs	12
RISP	.227
Errors	6
Team ERA	4.25
Starters W-L	1-4
Starters ERA	4.45
Relievers W-L-S	1-0-1
Relievers ERA	3.71
Saves/Opps	1/1

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

7/5	RHP Parker placed on Paternity List
	RHP Stewart recalled from AAA
7/4	LHP Vasquez outrighted to AAA
7/3	RHP Odorizzi placed on 10-day IL
	RHP Littell recalled from AAA
7/2	LHP Mejía returned from rehab,
	reinstated from 60-day IL
	IF Torreyes outrighted to AAA
7/1	LHP Thorpe optioned to AAA
6/29	IF/OF Gonzalez reinstated from 10-day IL
	OF Buxton reinstated from 10-day IL
	OF Wade Jr. optioned to AAA
	OF Cave optioned to AAA
	LHP Moya outrighted to AAA
6/28	OF Rosario placed on 10-day IL
	IF Adrianza activated from 10-day IL
	RHP Littell optioned to AAA
	LHP Thorpe recalled from AAA
6/27	C/F Astudillo placed on 10-day IL
	OF Wade Jr. recalled from AAA
6/25	IF Torreyes reinstated from restricted
	list and assigned to A Ft. Myers
	LHP Moya designated for rel. or assgn.

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