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MINNESOTA TWINS [59-77] AT CLEVELAND INDIANS [68-66]

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2021 - 6:10 P.M. (ET) - TV: BALLY SPORTS NORTH / RADIO: TIBN, WCCO, THE WOLF

RHP Bailey Ober (2-2, 3.98) vs. LHP Logan Allen (1-5, 6.62)

GAME 137

ROAD GAME 69

UPCOMING PROBABLE PITCHERS & BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Probable Pitchers	Time	Television	Radio / Spanish Radio
9/7	at Cleveland	RHP John Gant (4-9, 3.98) vs. RHP Aaron Civale (10-2, 3.32)	5:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / twinsbeisbol.com
9/8	at Cleveland	RHP Joe Ryan (0-1, 5.40) vs. RHP Triston McKenzie (4-5, 4.62)	5:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None
9/9	at Cleveland	RHP Randy Dobnak (1-7, 7.64) vs. RHP Cal Quantrill (4-3, 3.15)	5:10 pm (CT)	Bally Sports North	TIBN, WCCO, The Wolf / None

SEASON AT A GLANCE

Under Baldelli (since '19):	196-162
Home Record:	32-36
Road Record:	27-41
Record in series:	13-26-6
Record in home series:	9-13-1
Record in road series:	5-13-5
Series Openers:	19-25
Series Finales:	19-24
Rubber Games:	8-11
Sweeps/Swept:	3/6
April:	9-15
May:	13-16
June:	11-14
July:	11-17
August:	14-13
September/October:	1-3
Day Games:	27-35
Night Games:	32-42
vs. American League East:	10-15
vs. American League Central:	28-32
vs. American League West:	13-20
vs. National League:	8-10
Games vs. LH Starter:	14-31
Games vs. RH Starter:	45-46
Twins score first:	39-34
Opponent scores first:	20-43
Come-from-behind wins:	25
Leading after 7/8 inn.:	45-54/6-5
Trailing after 7/8 inn.:	5-56/2-56
Tied after 7/8 inn.:	8-9/9-8
Extra-innings:	11-10
1-run games:	23-18
Twins out-hit opp.:	41-13
Opp. out-hit Twins:	13-56
Twins/Opp. have = hits:	6-8
Run Differential:	-111 (615-726)
Twins get Quality Start:	20-11
Twins starter goes 6+ IP:	26-16
Most games over .500:	3, 4/8
Most games under .500:	19, 9/5
Longest win-streak:	5, 6/16-21
Longest losing-streak:	5, 3x, last 6/29-7/3
When Twins score 4+:	48-26
When Twins score 3-:	11-51
Twins get 10+ hits:	27-18
Days in First Place:	7
Days in Second Place:	2
Days in Third Place:	7
Days in Fourth Place:	72
Days in Fifth Place:	64
Walk-Off W/L:	9/7
Shutouts W/L:	6/7
Complete Games:	7/19 (G1) Berrios at CWS
Attendance High:	29,342, 8/28 vs. MIL
Attendance Total:	1,064,924
Attendance Average:	15,894
Target Field Sellouts - 2021/All-Time:	8/181

THE TWINS: The Twins began their seven-game roadtrip by going 1-2 against the Rays at Tropicana Field over the weekend, avoiding the three-game sweep with a victory yesterday... tonight they will begin a four-game series against Cleveland at Progressive Field through Thursday — all 6:10 (ET) starts... the Twins have gone 32-36 at home this season and 27-41 on the road.

SAINT NICK TAKES OVER ST. PETE: The Twins beat the Rays yesterday afternoon at Tropicana Field by a score of 6-5, snapping their four-game losing streak and winning for the first time since last Monday at Detroit... Nick Gordon tied the game at 5-5 with a seventh-inning RBI-single, then gave the Twins a 6-5 lead with another RBI-single in the top of the ninth... Griffin Jax was the starter but did not factor into the decision, allowing four runs on six hits in 4.2 innings pitched... Alex Colomé earned his team-leading 11th save with a scoreless ninth inning, stranding runners on the corners... the offense recorded 13 hits, three from both Gordon and Luis Arraez... Jake Cave, Gordon and Arraez drove in all the runs, recording two RBI apiece.

ROSTER MOVE: The Twins have reinstated right-handed pitcher Michael Pineda from the 10-day Injured List... Pineda, who has missed the Twins' last 20 games with a left mild oblique strain, has made 17 starts for Minnesota this season, going 4-8, 4.13 ERA (85.0 IP, 39 ER), 17 walks, 73 strikeouts, 1.24 WHIP and a .264 (88-for-333) opponent batting average... to make room on the roster, the Twins have optioned right-handed pitcher Ian Gibaut to Triple-A St. Paul... Gibaut, who had his contract selected on August 27, appeared in three games for the Twins, allowing two earned runs on seven hits in 6.2 innings pitched (2.70 ERA) with two walks and four strikeouts.

BABY BALDELLI ON THE WAY: Manager Rocco Baldelli left the team yesterday to travel back to Minneapolis... he and his wife, Allie, are scheduled to have their first child (a girl) in the next couple of days.

EVERS FITS THE BILL: With Rocco returning to Minneapolis, Major League Coach Bill Evers will serve as acting manager... Evers managed the Twins to a 6-3 victory in game two of a May 20 doubleheader at Los Angeles-AL while Baldelli served a one-game suspension... 2021 marks Evers' 46th season coaching at some capacity in professional baseball and sixth at the major league level... he was the bench coach under Joe Maddon from 2006-07, the same time that Baldelli was an outfielder for the Devil Rays... he spent 23 seasons in Tampa Bay's organization; was manager at Triple-A Durham as part of the Devil Rays' inaugural season in 1998... led Durham to the Governor's Cup Championship in 2002 and '03... won five minor league championships: International League (2002 and '03), Florida State League (1997), and Texas League (1990 and '91)... other than Tampa Bay, he also worked in the minor league systems of Chicago-NL (1980), New York-AL (1981-85, 93-95) and San Francisco (1986-92)... below is Evers' history as a manager:

YEAR	TEAM	YEAR	TEAM
1998-2005	Triple-A Durham	1993	Single-A Greensboro/Double-A Albany-Colonie
1997	Single-A St. Petersburg	1992	Triple-A Phoenix
1996	GCL Rays	1989-91	Double-A Shreveport
1995	Triple-A Columbus	1987-88	Single-A Clinton
1994	Double-A Albany-Colonie	MANAGERIAL RECORD: 1381-1206 (.534)	

ADDITIONALLY: Evers recently announced that he will be retiring at the end of this season... he makes his home in New Port Richey, FL.

CLEVELAND ROCKS: The Twins are playing the Indians for the 13th of 19 meetings in 2021... the Twins have gone 7-5 against Cleveland this season, going 4-2 at Target Field and 3-3 at Progressive Field... their last series came at Target Field from August 16-18 as the Twins took two of three... their last series at Progressive Field was from May 21-23, with the Twins taking two of three.

☞ Since the start of 2020, 18 of the 22 games between these two teams have been decided by three runs-or-less and 12 have been decided by two runs-or-less... five of the 13 meetings this season have gone extra innings (Twins are 3-2).

☞ Josh Donaldson has hit safely in seven straight against Cleveland... in 57 career games against his former club, he is hitting .300 (66-for-220) with seven doubles, two triples, 14 home runs, 48 RBI, 33 walks and a .932 OPS.

☞ Max Kepler has 18 career home runs and 72 career hits against the Tribe, both his most against any opponent... 13 of the 18 homers have been hit at Progressive Field, his most in an opposing ballpark.

NOW THAT'S PROGRESSIVE: Twins have won three of their last four in Cleveland, outscoring the Indians 31-12 in that span.

☞ Miguel Sanó has reached base safely in 10-straight games at Progressive Field... he has homered four times in his last eight games in Cleveland.

☞ Jorge Polanco has hit safely in seven-straight games against the Indians... he is hitting .303 (40-for-132) with 10 doubles, two triples, eight home runs, 24 RBI and a .917 OPS in 33 career games at Progressive Field.

☞ Byron Buxton has six hits in his last six at-bats in Cleveland with two doubles and two home runs... in his last game at this park on April 28, he went 5-for-5 with two doubles, a leadoff home run and a stolen base.

HOT POLO SUMMER: Since July 1, Jorge Polanco is hitting .309 (69-for-223) with 12 doubles, one triple, 17 home runs, 51 RBI, a .354 on-base percentage, a .601 slugging percentage and a .955 OPS... below are his American League ranks since July 1 (among qualifiers):

HITS	RBI	AVG	OBP	SLG	OPS	XBH	TB
T-4th (69)	2nd (51)	4th (.309)	T-19th (.354)	3rd (.601)	3rd (.955)	T-4th (30)	1st (134)

DOING MAJOR WORK ON LABOR DAY: The Twins are 42-25 on Labor Day since 1961, including a 21-13 record at home and 21-12 record on the road... on Labor Day in 2020, the Twins beat the Tigers at Target Field by a score of 6-2 as Byron Buxton and Ryan Jeffers each homered — for Jeffers it was the first of his career... Michael Pineda earned his first win of the season, striking out eight batters in 7.0 innings pitched... Twins are 3-3 vs. Cleveland on Labor Day (since 1961) and last played Cleveland on this holiday in 2007 (5-0 loss at the Dome)... Twins have never played the Indians in Cleveland on Labor Day.

ON THIS DAY IN TWINS HISTORY: In 2002, Brad Radke pitched the Twins to a 6-0 victory at the Metrodome, beating the A's and snapping Oakland's 20-game win streak... Radke pitched a complete-game shutout with six hits allowed and one walk... in 2016, The Twins lost 10-3 to the Royals, but Brian Dozier homered in his fifth-straight game, tying a team record, giving him 39 on the season, tying the American League record for a second baseman set by Alfonso Soriano (2003).

STREAKS

Current Streak	1 win
Last 5 games	1-4
Last 10 games	4-6
Last 15 games	5-10
Last 20 games	9-11

TWINS VS. CLEVELAND

2021 Record:	7-5
Current Streak:	1 win
2021 at Home:	4-2
2021 at Cleveland:	3-3
All-Time Record:	435-458
All-Time at Home:	237-212
All-Time at Cleveland:	198-246

2021 Game Logs:

Date	Site	Score	Winner/Loser/Save
4/26	CLE	3-5 (10)	Clase/Colomé
4/27	CLE	4-7	Civale/Maeda/Karinchak
4/28	CLE	10-2	Happ/Allen
5/21	CLE	10-0	Dobnak/McKenzie
5/22	CLE	3-5 (10)	Karinchak/Colomé
5/23	CLE	8-5 (10)	Robles/Karinchak/Duffey
6/24	MIN	1-4	Parker/Alcala/Karinchak
6/25	MIN	8-7	Jax/Wittgren/Robles
6/26	MIN		**PPD**
6/27	MIN	8-2	Happ/Hentges
8/16	MIN	5-4 (10)	Thielbar/Wittgren
8/17	MIN	1-3	Morgan/Ober/Clase
8/18	MIN	8-7 (11)	Coulombe/Garza
9/6	CLE		5:10 pm (CT)
9/7	CLE		5:10 pm (CT)
9/8	CLE		5:10 pm (CT)
9/9	CLE		5:10 pm (CT)
9/14	MIN		2:10 pm (CT)
**	MIN		6:40 pm (CT)
9/15	MIN		6:40 pm (CT)

CURRENT ROADTRIP [1-2]

Batting average	.252
Runs Per Game	4.3
Home Runs	4
RISP	.185
Errors	0

Team ERA	7.56
Starters W-L	0-2
Starters ERA	11.05
Relievers W-L-S	1-0-1
Relievers ERA	2.61
Saves/Opps	1/1

OPPONENT HR AT CLEVELAND SINCE '16

Brian Dozier	14
Max Kepler	13
Miguel Cabrera	13
José Abreu	12

AL LEADERS - AVG HR DISTANCE

Shohei Ohtani, LAA	416 ft
Miguel Sanó, MIN	415 ft
Franmil Reyes, CLE	415 ft
Hunter Renfroe, BOS	415 ft

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

9/6	RHP Pineda reinstated from 10-day IL RHP Gibaut optioned to AAA
9/5	RHP Farrell returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 60-day IL LHP Albers optioned to AAA RHP Law designated for release or assignment
9/1	RHP Ryan contract selected from AAA RHP Dobnak returned from rehab assignment, reinstated from 60-day IL RHP Maeda transferred to 60-day IL RHP García cleared waivers and outrighted to AAA
8/29	C Rortved recalled from AAA LHP Barnes optioned to AAA

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PLAYER/MANAGER

Rocco Baldelli	196 wins
Josh Donaldson	248 doubles
Max Kepler	117 home runs
	699 games
Andrelton Simmons	199 doubles
Miguel Sanó	155 home runs

CURRENT NO.

MILESTONE WITHIN REACH

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BAILEY OBER

#82

Height: 6-9 Weight: 260 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (7/12/1995 in Huntersville, NC)

2021: 2-2, 3.98 ERA CAREER: 2-2, 3.98 ERA

- Rookie is making his 17th career start and appearance...is 1-1, 2.30 ERA (31.1 IP, 8 ER) with four walks and 32 strikeouts in his last six starts dating back to July 31...the Twins are 5-1 in those outings.
- Making his second career start and appearance against Cleveland.
- Selected by the Twins in the 12th round of the 2017 First-Year Player Draft out of the College of Charleston.

2021 MAJOR LEAGUE DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opp.	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	Left/Final	Notes	Pitches/K
5/18	vs. CWS	ND	4.0	5	4	4	2	1	4	1-4/5-4	Twins tied it in 8th and walked off	82/56 (68.3%)
MAY TOTALS 0-0 4.0 5 4 4 2 1 4 9.00 ERA												
6/6	at KC	ND	4.0	5	1	1	0	0	4	1-1/2-1	Retired 1st 6 batters faced	51/37 (72.5%)
6/11	vs. HOU	ND	5.0	7	2	2	1	1	7	3-2/4-6	Career-high 7 K	73/52 (71.2%)
6/16	at SEA	ND	4.0	1	0	0	0	0	6	3-0/7-2	1st 3.0 IP were perfect	63/40 (63.5%)
6/22	vs. CIN	ND	4.1	6	4	4	1	2	2	2-3/7-10	1st career start w/ 2 BB	78/53 (67.9%)
6/30	at CWS	L1	3.1	4	5	5	3	2	3	1-4/3-13	Shortest start of career	80/49 (61.3%)
JUNE TOTALS 0-1 20.2 23 12 12 5 5 22 5.23 ERA												
7/5	vs. CWS	W1	5.0	2	0	0	0	3	7	3-0/8-5	1st career win; 2nd scoreless start	93/57 (61.3%)
7/10	vs. DET	ND	3.1	4	4	4	2	2	4	0-3/9-4	Twins scored 9 R in innings 6-8 to win 7/9/49 (62.0%)	79/49 (62.0%)
7/20	at CWS	ND	5.0	5	4	3	1	1	4	2-4/5-9	CWS scored 5 R in 8th to win	66/48 (72.7%)
7/25	vs. LAA	ND	5.1	3	2	2	1	1	4	2-2/2-6	Career-high 5.1 IP	68/46 (67.6%)
7/31	at STL	ND	4.0	4	1	1	0	1	6	7-1/8-1	3rd-consecutive GS with ≤3 ER	64/44 (68.8%)
JULY TOTALS 1-0 22.2 18 11 10 4 8 25 3.97 ERA												
8/6	at HOU	ND	5.0	7	3	3	2	1	5	3-3/5-4	MIN outlasted Greinke & HOU in 11	80/55 (68.8%)
8/11	vs. CWS	ND	5.1	6	0	0	0	1	6	0-0/1-0	3rd start w/ 0 R and at least 6 K	82/54 (65.9%)
8/17	vs. CLE	L2	6.0	5	3	2	1	0	3	0-1/-3	1st career QS	69/52 (75.4%)
8/25	at BOS	ND	5.0	4	0	0	0	1	7	4-0/9-6	3rd GS w/ at least 5.0 shutout IP	81/50 (61.7%)
8/30	at DET	W2	6.0	5	2	2	1	0	5	3-2/3-2	2nd career W and QS	77/53 (68.8%)
AUG TOTALS 1-1 27.1 27 8 7 4 3 26 2.30 ERA												
			RECORD		IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	ERA
2021 TOTALS			2-2		74.2	73	35	33	15	17	77	3.98
CAREER TOTALS			2-2		74.2	73	35	33	15	17	77	3.98

LAST START: Ober earned his second career win in the Twins' 3-2 victory in his last start on August 30 at Detroit...allowed two runs on five hits (1 HR) over a career-high-tying 6.0 innings, with no walks and five strikeouts to notch his second career quality start...gave up a solo home run to Derek Hill in the third and allowed an RBI single to Zack Short in the fifth, for the only runs he allowed on the afternoon...the Twins' bullpen tossed three scoreless innings after Ober departed, yielding just three hits and striking out two batters.

☞ Ober is 1-1, 2.30 ERA (31.1 IP, 8 ER) with four walks, 32 strikeouts and a 1.12 WHIP across his last six starts...also owns a 1-0 record and 2.70 ERA (20.0 IP, 6 ER) with three walks and 23 strikeouts in his last four road starts.

START PRIOR: Ober did not factor into the decision of the Twins' 9-6, 10-inning victory on August 25 in Boston after tossing 5.0 shutout innings, yielding four hits and just one walk with a career-high-tying seven strikeouts...marked the second time in his career he struck out seven batters without giving up a run...also marked his third start with at least 5.0 shutout innings, joining his outings on July 5 vs. Chicago-AL (5.0 shutout IP) and August 11 vs. Chicago-AL (5.1 shutout IP)...did not allow any extra-base hits in the outing...departed with a 4-0 lead, but the Red Sox rallied off the Twins bullpen to force extras.

CLEVELAND ENCOUNTERS: Today marks Ober's second career start and appearance against Cleveland...his prior outing against the Indians came on August 17 at Target Field...he was dealt the loss in the Twins' 3-1 defeat despite recording his first career quality start and allowing three runs (2 ER) on five hits (1 HR), with no walks and three strikeouts.

☞ Ober is 2-2, 4.50 ERA (42.0 IP, 21 ER), with 10 walks and 40 strikeouts in nine career starts against the American League Central division.

CAREER HIGH WORKLOAD: Ober enters tonight's start with a professional career high of 90.2 innings pitched this season between the Twins (74.2 IP) and Triple-A St. Paul (16.0 IP), surpassing the 78.2 innings he amassed in 2019 across three levels of Minnesota's minor league system...the 26-year-old did not pitch professionally in 2020 and was not part of the Twins' 60-man Player Pool last season...prior to 2021, the last time he crested the 90-inning mark at any level was as a 20-year-old redshirt sophomore in 2016 at the College of Charleston (97.0 IP).

☞ Tonight will also mark just his second professional appearance in the month of September, following a start for Double-A Pensacola at Montgomery on September 2, 2019...worked 3.0 scoreless innings of the Blue Wahoos' 8-0 victory, allowing one hit with no walks and three strikeouts.

MONTHLY BREAKDOWN: August marked Ober's third full month in the majors...below is a breakdown of his numbers in each month...the Twins have won five of his last six starts and he has posted a 2.30 ERA (31.1 IP, 8 ER) in that span...both of his quality starts came during the month of August.

☞ The Twins stand at 10-6 in Ober's 16 starts overall.

	IP	ER	ERA	OPP OBP	OPP SLG	OPP OPS
MAY	4.0	4	9.00	.350	.722	1.072
JUNE	20.2	12	5.23	.326	.525	.851
JULY	22.2	10	3.97	.283	.429	.711
AUGUST	27.1	7	2.30	.275	.419	.694

LOW RISP, HIGH REWARD: Through his 16 career major league starts, Ober is holding opponents to a .174 batting average (4-for-23) with runners in scoring position and two outs, as well as a .244 (11-for-45) overall mark with RISP...has allowed multiple hits with runners in scoring position just once in his career, on July 20 at Chicago-AL (2-for-5)...in his four starts for Triple-A St. Paul, Ober held opposing hitters to just a .182 (4-for-22) batting average with runners in scoring position.

2021 ARSENAL: Here's a look at the rookie's repertoire, per Baseball Savant.

PITCH (AVG. MPH)	PCT. (# vs. RHB/LHB)	RESULTS
4-Seam Fastball (92.3)	59.0% (700 pitches, 325/375)	.227 (37-for-163), 5 2B, 2 3B, 7 HR, 51 K
Slider (81.2)	17.8% (211 pitches, 174/37)	.288 (15-for-52), 3 2B, 1 3B, 3 HR, 13 K
Changeup (84.7)	12.6% (150 pitches, 30/120)	.277 (13-for-47), 1 2B, 3 HR, 6 K
Curveball (74.8)	10.5% (125 pitches, 34/91)	.320 (8-for-25), 2 2B, 2 HR, 7 K

☞ His 5.5 walk percentage ranks in the 88th percentile of all pitchers and his 31.5% chase rate ranks in the 83rd percentile.

RIGHTIES LUCK: Ober has held left-handed batters to a .289 (39-for-135) batting average, with eight doubles, seven homers, 12 walks and 33 strikeouts so far in his MLB career...this compares to the .224 (34-for-152) batting average, three doubles, three triples, eight home runs, five walks and 44 strikeouts that right-handed batters have posted against the rookie.

LOW TRAFFIC: In 16 career starts, Ober has allowed 91 total base runners in 74.2 innings, good for a 10.97 base-runners-per-9.0 IP ratio...he's also averaging 2.05 walks-per-9.0 IP while averaging 9.28 strikeouts-per-9.0 IP...he has walked just 17 batters compared to 77 strikeouts, recording a 4.53 strikeout-to-walk ratio, leading the Twins pitching staff (min. 41.0 IP).

☞ Ober ranks among the major league rookie pitching leaders this season (min. 60.0 IP) in fewest walks allowed (3rd — 17), strikeout-to-walk ratio (3rd — 4.53), walks-per-9.0 IP (4th, 2.05), base runners-per-9.0 IP, (8th — 10.97) and WHIP (9th — 1.21).

NO RUNS: Ober posted a miniscule 0.69 ERA (78.2 IP, 6 ER) in 2019, his most recent full professional season...his mark led all minor league pitchers (min. 75.0 IP) and he also became the first Twins minor league pitcher to allow six-or-fewer earned runs in 78.2-or-more innings pitched since at least 1961...also marked the second-lowest single-season ERA by any minor league pitcher since 1992 (min. 75.0 IP), trailing only Erasmo Ramirez's 0.51 ERA (88.0 IP, 5 ER) in 2009 for the VSL Mariners.

☞ Among all minor leaguers between 2017-21 (min. 180.0 IP), Ober ranks second with a 9.38 strikeout-to-walk ratio, second only to reigning American League Cy Young Award winner Shane Bieber (who posted a 14.06 mark over the 2017-18 seasons).

TOMORROW'S STARTER - RHP JOHN GANT [2021 SEASON: 4-9, 3.98 ERA // CAREER: 23-24, 3.85 ERA]

Right-hander Gant is set to take the mound for tomorrow night's game in Cleveland...was dealt the loss in the Twins' 3-1 defeat on August 31 vs. Chicago-NL, after allowing two runs on three hits (1 HR) over 5.0 innings, with no walks and five strikeouts...will be making his third appearance and first start against Cleveland this season, after a pair of scoreless 1.0-inning relief outings on July 28 (with STL) and August 16...is 1-0, 0.75 ERA (12.0 IP, 1 ER) with eight walks and eight strikeouts in five career appearances vs. Cleveland, including two starts.

2021 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 6.0, 2x, last: 8/30 at DET
SO's: 7, 3x, last: 8/25 at BOS
Walks: 3, 7/5 vs. CWS
Hits: 7, 2x, last: 8/6 at HOU
Home Runs: 3, 6/30 at CWS
Win-Streak: 1, 2x, last: 8/30
Loss-Streak: 1, 2x, last: 8/17

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 6.0, 2x, last: 8/30/21 at DET
SO's: 7, 3x, last: 8/25/21 at BOS
Walks: 3, 7/5/21 vs. CWS
Hits: 7, 2x, last: 8/6/21 vs. HOU
Home Runs: 3, 6/30/21 at CWS
Win-Streak: 1, 2x, last: 8/30/21
Loss-Streak: 1, 2x, last: 8/17/21

CAREER NOTES

- Made his MLB debut on May 18, 2021, starting for the Twins against Chicago-AL.
- In 2020, spent spring training on minor league side of CenturyLink Sports Complex in Fort Myers, FL...was not part of Twins' 60-man Player Pool for season.
- Added to Twins 40-man roster on November 20, 2020.
- Split the 2019 season between three levels of Twins organization, combining to go 8-0, 0.69 ERA (78.2 IP, 6 ER) with nine walks, 100 strikeouts and a .194 opponent batting average in 14 games (13 starts) for GCL Twins, Single-A Fort Myers and Double-A Pensacola.
- Led all minor league pitchers (min. 75.0 IP) with a 0.69 ERA (78.2 IP, 6 ER) and ranked second in the minors with a 0.81 WHIP...also became the first Twins minor league pitcher to allow six-or-fewer earned runs in 78.2-or-more innings pitched since at least 1961.
- Named Florida State League Pitcher of the Week for Fort Myers on April 14 and Southern League Pitcher of the Week for Pensacola on September 2.
- Named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Week twice during the 2019 season: once for Fort Myers on August 4 (6.1 IP, 0 ER, 6 H in 1 start) and again on August 25 with Pensacola (1-0, 7.0 IP, 0 ER, 3 H, 0 BB, 12 K).
- In 2018, was named Twins minor league Pitcher of the Week in consecutive weeks: July 7, going 1-0 with 7.0 shutout innings and 12 strikeouts vs. Wisconsin for the Kernels, and again July 14, going 1-0 with two runs allowed in 7.0 innings and 10 strikeouts vs. Fort Wayne...became first ever Twin to win the award twice in a season.
- Selected by Twins in 12th round of 2017 First-Year Player Draft; signed by scout Seth Moir...originally selected by Los Angeles-NL in the 23rd round of the 2016 First-Year Player Draft, but elected to return to the College of Charleston for the 2017 season.
- Attended College of Charleston from 2014-17, missing the 2015 season recovering from Tommy John Surgery on right elbow...compiled a 24-9 record with a 2.91 ERA and 254 strikeouts in 259.2 innings over the course of his collegiate career.

2021 MISC. NUMBERS (MAJORS AND MINORS COMBINED)

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	IP	ER	AVG	H	AB	HR	BB	K	
Road:	1	1	3.83	9	9	42.1	18	Vs. Left:	.275	47	171	7	15	46
Home:	2	1	3.72	11	11	48.1	20	Vs. Right:	.222	39	176	8	7	52
Day:	1	0	4.33	8	8	35.1	17	TOTALS:	.248	86	347	15	22	98
Night:	2	2	3.42	12	12	55.1	21	None On:	.250	52	208	10	15	58
Grass:	3	2	3.77	20	20	90.2	38	Runners On:	.245	34	139	5	7	40
Turf:	--	--	--	--	--	--	--							

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS
2021	16	2	2
TOTALS	16	2	2

MORE 2021 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

	BASE RUNNERS	PICK-OFFS	SB-ATT	GIDP
OBER:	91	1	2-5	6

2021 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

INNING:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
RUNS/HITS:	3/11	8/11	9/19	6/15	8/15	1/2	-/-	-/-	-/-

OBER VS. CLEVELAND

2021 vs. Cleveland (1 starts): 0-1, 3.00 ERA (6.0 IP, 2 ER), 0 BB, 3 K
 2021 vs. Cleveland at Home (1 start): 0-1, 3.00 ERA (6.0 IP, 2 ER), 0 BB, 3 K
 2021 vs. Cleveland on Road (0 games): --
 Career vs. Cleveland (1 start): 0-1, 3.00 ERA (6.0 IP, 2 ER), 0 BB, 3 K
 Career vs. Cleveland at Home (1 start): 0-1, 3.00 ERA (6.0 IP, 2 ER), 0 BB, 3 K
 Career vs. Cleveland on Road (0 games): --

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Ober vs. the Indians							Allen vs. the Twins						
PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO	PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Straw	.000	5	0	0	0	1	Buxton	1.000	2	2	1	0	0
Zimmer	.000	3	0	0	0	1	Astudillo	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Rosario	.333	3	1	0	0	1	Donaldson	1.000	1	1	1	0	0
J. Ramirez	.333	3	1	0	0	0	Garlick	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Ramos	.000	2	0	0	0	0	Garver	.000	1	0	0	0	1
Chang	.500	2	1	0	0	1	Kirilloff	1.000	1	1	0	0	0
Clement	.500	2	1	0	0	0	Polanco	1.000	1	1	1	0	0
Gimenez	.000	2	0	0	0	0	Rooker	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Johnson	.500	2	1	1	0	0	Simmons	.000	1	0	0	0	0

WALKING TALL: Standing six feet, nine inches tall, Ober is one of just five players 6-8-or-taller to suit up for the Twins and Senators, as well as just the third pitcher of that height to debut for Minnesota or Washington...the last pitcher 6-9-or-taller to make more than 16 starts was Chris Young (6-10), who started 18 times for the Kansas City Royals in 2015...the other pitchers 6-8-or-taller to play for the Twins are:

TALLEST PITCHERS TO PLAY FOR THE TWINS/SENATORS

NAME	HEIGHT (SEASONS W/ MIN/WAS)
Jon Rauch	6-11 (2009-10)
*Bailey Ober	6-9 (2021)
*Aaron Slegers	6-9 (2017-18)
*Alex Meyer	6-9 (2015-16)
Mike Smithson	6-8 (1984-87)

*made major league debut for Twins/Senators

MICHAEL PINEDA

#35

Height: 6-7 Weight: 280 B/T: R/R Age: 32 (1/18/1989 in Yaguatae, DR)

2021: 4-8, 4.13 ERA CAREER: 57-54, 4.03 ERA

- Is scheduled to pitch after Bailey Ober in tonight's game...will mark his 18th appearance of the season and first career major league relief appearance.
- Was reinstated from the 10-day Injured List today and is pitching in his first game since leaving his start on August 13 vs. Tampa Bay after 2.2 innings with left side tightness.
- Is making his fifth career appearance vs. Cleveland...is 1-0, 3.48 ERA (20.2 IP, 8 ER), with five walks and 29 strikeouts in four starts.

2021 DAY-BY-DAY

Date	Opp.	Dec.	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO	Left/Final	Notes	Pitches/K
4/4	at MIL	W1	5.0	4	1	0	0	2	5	2-1/8-2	Stranded 6 baserunners over 5.0 IP	81/57 (70.4%)
4/10	vs. SEA	ND	6.0	4	2	2	0	0	6	2-2/3-4	Quality start; allowed just 2 solo HR	75/58 (77.3%)
4/15	vs. BOS	ND	7.0	2	0	0	0	1	6	3-0/4-3	Longest 2021 start to date for MIN	88/61 (69.3%)
4/24	vs. PIT	L1	4.1	6	5	4	2	1	5	1-5/2-6	1st loss since July 16, 2019	90/59 (65.6%)
4/30	vs. KC	W2	5.0	3	1	1	1	2	5	5-1/9-1	Hit on wrist w/ 1 out in 5th	71/42 (59.2%)
APRIL TOTALS 2-1 27.1 19 9 7 5 6 27 2.30 ERA												
5/6	vs. TEX	ND	6.0	6	2	2	1	1	5	3-2/3-4	Rangers rallied off Twins 'pen	87/59 (67.8%)
5/13	at CWS	L2	5.1	4	3	3	3	7	1	2-2/4-4	Then-season highs pitches & Ks	96/63 (65.6%)
5/26	vs. BAL	W3	6.0	3	1	1	1	2	8	0-1/3-2	Activated off IL that morning	101/68 (67.3%)
MAY TOTALS 1-1 17.1 13 6 6 4 6 20 3.12 ERA												
6/1	at BAL	L3	3.0	7	5	5	0	0	1	1-5/4-7	Shortest start since July 5, 2017	53/37 (69.8%)
6/8	vs. NYY	ND	4.1	4	2	2	0	2	2	2-1/4-8	Had start pushed back 1 day	76/56 (73.5%)
6/13	vs. HOU	L4	4.0	6	3	3	1	1	1	1 0-3/3-14	Placed on IL next day	64/39 (60.9%)
JUNE TOTALS 0-2 11.1 17 10 1 3 4 7.94 ERA												
7/7	vs. CWS	L5	5.1	12	5	5	1	0	4	1-5/1-6	Returned from IL; career-high hits	82/60 (73.2%)
7/21	at CWS	W4	5.0	4	1	1	0	1	3	3-1/7-2	Snapped 3-game losing streak	73/48 (65.8%)
7/26	vs. DET	ND	6.0	5	2	1	0	6	5	5-2/6-5	DET rallied off 'pen; Twins won in 10	85/59 (69.4%)
JULY TOTALS 1-1 16.1 21 8 8 2 1 13 4.41 ERA												
8/1	at STL	L6	4.0	5	3	2	0	1	3	2-4/3-7	2nd-highest strike % of season	68/52 (76.5%)
8/7	at HOU	L7	6.0	7	2	2	1	0	3	0-2/0-4	Most pitches since Sept. 7, 2020	102/68 (66.7%)
8/13	vs. TB	L8	2.2	6	4	4	2	0	3	0-4/4-10	Left in 3rd w/ left side tightness	47/39 (83.0%)
AUG TOTALS 0-3 12.2 18 9 8 3 1 9 5.68 ERA												
RECORD IP H R ER HR BB SO ERA												
2021 TOTALS			4-8	85.0	88	42	39	15	17	73	4.13	
CAREER TOTALS			57-54	937.2	906	450	420	129	209	925	4.03	

LAST TIME OUT: Pineda last pitched on August 13 vs. Tampa Bay, shouldering his eighth loss of the season in a 10-4 Twins setback...permitted four runs on six hits (2 HR), with no walks and three strikeouts over just 2.2 innings of work...allowed a run in the opening frame on a Randy Arozarena RBI double, followed by two more tallies in the second inning on a Yandy Diaz solo home run and a wild pitch which allowed Mike Zunino to score...began his third inning by permitting a solo shot to Nelson Cruz; recorded two outs in the frame before departing the game with left side tightness.

- 2.2 innings marked his shortest start of the season and second shortest of his career, behind only a 1.2-inning, ejection-shortened outing on April 23, 2014 at Boston while pitching for New York-AL...four runs marked his most since allowing a season-high-tying five runs on July 7 vs. Chicago-AL; prior to this outing, Pineda had limited opposing teams to three runs-or-fewer in each of his four outings since the All-Star Break...also marked his first time allowing multiple home runs in a start since May 13 at Chicago-AL.
- Pineda was placed on the 10-day Injured List August 14 with a left oblique strain and has missed the Twins' last 20 games...it marked his third stint on the IL this season — also May 19-26 (abcess - retroactive to May 16) and June 14-July 7 (right elbow inflammation).

START PRIOR: Pineda shouldered the 4-0 loss on August 7 at Houston, but gutted out a season-high 102-pitch performance to save an exhausted Twins bullpen that had worked 6.0 innings the night before and a combined 17.1 frames over the previous four days...Twins were blanked by Houston's Luis Garcia and three relievers, who combined on a four-hitter.

- Threw 47 pitches over the first two innings, before settling in to turn in his sixth quality start of the season...scattered seven hits and allowed just two runs over 6.0 innings...did not walk a batter, while striking out three...Astros added two in the eighth inning off the Twins bullpen.
- 102 pitches thrown were the most by Pineda since September 7, 2020 vs. Detroit (104) and the fourth-highest total of his Twins career (109 on July 21, 2019 vs. Oakland and 107 on September 6, 2019 vs. Cleveland).

WHAT A RELIEF: In an effort to help him ease back into major league action without a rehab assignment, as well as manage Bailey Ober's workload in a season where he's already surpassed his career high in innings pitched, Big Mike is scheduled to pitch in relief tonight...after beginning his major league career with 165-consecutive starts, tonight will mark Pineda's first MLB relief appearance.

- Pineda will likely work the mid-to-late-innings of tonight's game...in his career, the right-hander is yielding a .262 (149-for-568) opponent batting average in the fifth inning, which then dips to a .238 (96-for-403) mark in the sixth...that number spikes to .311 (41-for-132) in the seventh before peaking at .364 (8-for-22) in the eighth...has only appeared in the eighth inning nine times in his career and has never pitched in the ninth inning of a major league game.
- Pineda's last professional relief appearance that was not part of a rehab assignment occurred on May 16, 2009 while pitching for Single-A High Desert in Seattle's minor league system (3.0 IP, 2 H, 1 R/ER, 1 BB, 2 K).

TRIBE TALK: Pineda is scheduled to make his fifth career appearance and first this season against Cleveland.

- Is 1-0, 3.48 ERA (20.2 IP, 8 ER), with five walks, 29 strikeouts and a .250 (19-for-76) opponent batting average in four career starts vs. Cleveland.
- His most recent double-digit strikeout performance came on September 6, 2019 vs. Cleveland, fanning 10 batters over 6.0 innings.
- Tonight marks his first career appearance at Progressive Field.

SOLID STRETCH: From July 21-August 7, Pineda fashioned a 3.00 ERA (21.0 IP, 7 ER), with two walks (1 intentional) and 15 strikeouts in four starts following the All-Star Break...it marked a return to form for "Big Mike," after he stumbled to an 0-3 mark with an 8.10 ERA (16.2 IP, 15 ER), three walks, eight strikeouts and a .387/.405/.627 opponent slash line (29-for-75 with 8 doubles, 2 triples, 2 home runs) in four starts from June 1-July 7.

- Despite the 3.00 ERA, Pineda went just 1-2 in those four starts (Minnesota was 2-2)...Pineda's 4.34 run support average is lowest among all Twins pitchers with at least six starts...he has received three-or-fewer runs in 13 of his 17 starts, two-or-fewer in 10 outings and, in seven of his starts, the Twins have been shut out or held to one run while he was in the game.

2021 ARSENAL: Below is a breakdown of Pineda's 2021 three-pitch repertoire, according to Baseball Savant, which follows a similar pattern to what he featured in 2020.

- Since his first start of the 2020 season, opponents are hitting .166 (25-for-151) with 59 strikeouts against Pineda's slider.

In two-and-a-half seasons with the Twins, he has used his four-seam fastball more than half the time (53.2% in 2021, 50.1% in 2020, 54.1% in 2019)...after a career-high 59.5% use rate as a Mariners rookie, he never topped 47.7% as a Yankee.

PITCH (AVG. MPH)	PCT. (# OF PITCHES, VS. RHB/LHB)	RESULTS
4-Seam Fastball (90.6).....	53.2% (712 pitches, 391/321) ..	.304 (52-for-171), 13 2B, 1 3B, 10 HR, 29 K
Slider (81.1)	29.4% (393 pitches, 286/107)183 (20-for-109), 3 2B, 3 HR, 42 K
Changeup (85.4)	17.5% (234 pitches, 58/176)302 (16-for-53), 4 2B, 1 3B, 2 HR, 2 K

2021 HIGHS

CG's: --
SHO's: --
CG Low Hit: --
Innings: 7.0, 4/15 vs. BOS
SO's: 8, 5/26 vs. BAL
Walks: 3, 5/13 at CWS
Hits: 12, 7/7 vs. CWS
Home Runs: 2, 4x, last: 8/13 vs. TB
Win-Streak: 1, 4x, last: 7/21
Loss-Streak: 3, 2x, last: 8/1-present

CAREER HIGHS

CG's: 1, 6/28/15 at HOU
SHO's: --
CG Low-Hit: 7, 6/28/15 at HOU
Innings: 8.0, 3x, last: 6/28/15 at HOU
SO's: 16, 5/10/15 vs. BAL
Walks: 5, 3x, last: 7/21/19 vs. OAK
Hits: 12, 7/7/21 vs. CWS
Home Runs: 4, 4/24/16 vs. TB
Win-Streak: 8, 7/26/19-4/4/21
Loss-Streak: 3, 5x, last: 8/1/21-present

CAREER NOTES

- Missed last 21 games of 2019, the entire ALDS and the first 36 contests of 2020 due to a 60-game suspension for violating MLB's Joint Drug and Prevention Treatment Program.
- Spent the entire 2018 season on the Injured List, recovering from Tommy John surgery on right elbow...also missed the entire 2012 campaign with New York-AL recovering from right shoulder surgery, and was out of the majors in 2013 while rehabbing.
- Struck out 207 batters over 175.2 innings pitched in 2016, setting the fifth-lowest innings total for a pitcher who recorded 200+ strikeouts in American League history.
- Was an AL All-Star in 2011 as a member of the Seattle Mariners, posting a 3.03 ERA (113.0 IP, 38 ER) with 113 strikeouts and an opponents average of .198 in the first half, and finished the year fifth in the AL Rookie of the Year voting.
- In 2011, he became one of 27 rookie pitchers in the Expansion Era (1961-present) to throw at least 171.0 innings and strikeout 173 or more batters, and first since Daisuke Matsuzaka (Boston, 2007).
- Was signed by Seattle as a 16-year-old undrafted free agent December 12, 2005...signed by Patrick Guerrero, brother of Fred Guerrero, Twins' Director of Latin American Scouting & U.S. Integration.
- He owns a farm in his native Dominican Republic, where he raises chickens in addition to growing a number of crops.

2021 MISC. NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G/GS	IP	ER	AVG	H	AB	HR	BB	SO	
Home:	2	4	4.13	11/11	56.2	26	Vs. Left:	.268	42	157	8	6	30
Road:	2	4	4.13	6/6	28.1	13	Vs. Right:	.261	46	176	7	11	43
Day:	2	5	3.74	10/10	53.0	22	TOTALS:	.264	88	333	15	17	73
Night:	2	3	4.78	7/7	32.0	17	None On:	.270	58	215	12	10	44
Grass:	4	8	4.13	17/17	85.0	39	Runners On:	.254	30	118	3	7	29
Turf:	--	--	--	--	--	--							

6.0-PLUS IP/QUALITY STARTS

YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS	YEAR	STARTS	6+ IP	QS
2011	28	22	19	2017	17	10	9
2014	13	10	9	2019	26	14	13
2015	27	17	12	2020	5	2	2
2016	32	15	11	2021	17	6	6
				TOTALS	165	96	81

2021 MISCELLANEOUS NUMBERS

	BASE RUNNERS	PICK-OFFS	SB-ATT	GIDP
PINEDA:	105	1	9-13	5

2021 RUNS/HITS PER INNING

INNING:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
RUNS/HITS:	5/16	11/18	11/19	5/15	5/13	5/6	0/1	-/-	-/-

PINEDA VS. CLEVELAND

2020 vs. Cleveland (1 start): 0-0, 5.79 ERA (4.2 IP, 3 ER), 1 BB, 8 K
2020 vs. Cleveland at Home (1 start): 0-0, 5.79 ERA (4.2 IP, 3 ER), 1 BB, 8 K
2020 vs. Cleveland on Road (0 starts): --
Career vs. Cleveland (4 starts): 1-0, 3.48 ERA (20.2 IP, 8 ER), 5 BB, 29 K
Career vs. Cleveland at Home (4 starts): 1-0, 3.48 ERA (20.2 IP, 8 ER), 5 BB, 29 K
Career vs. Cleveland on Road (0 starts): --

BATTER-PITCHER MATCH-UPS

Pineda vs. the Indians							Allen vs. the Twins						
PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO	PLAYER	AVG	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Sandoval	.222	9	2	0	0	1	Buxton	1.000	2	2	1	0	0
J. Ramirez	.429	7	3	0	1	4	Astudillo	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Mercado	.250	4	1	0	1	0	Donaldson	1.000	1	1	1	0	0
Reyes	.000	4	0	0	1	4	Garlick	.000	1	0	0	0	0
H. Ramirez	.333	3	1	0	0	0	Garver	.000	1	0	0	0	1
Ramos	.000	3	0	0	0	0	Kirilloff	1.000	1	1	0	0	0
Chang	.500	2	1	0	0	0	Polanco	1.000	1	1	1	0	0
Naylor	.000	2	0	0	0	1	Rooker	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Pérez	.000	2	0	0	0	1	Simmons	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Rosario	.500	2	1	0	0	0							
Straw	1.000	1	1	0	1	0							

START 'EM WITH STRIKE ONE, THEN GET 'EM TO CHASE: This season, Pineda has poured in strike one at a 67.9 percent clip...he has also induced opposing batters to chase, in any count, 34.2 percent of the time to rank in the 95th percentile among all big league hurlers...in his career, Big Mike owns a 65.5 percent first-strike rate and a 33.6 percent chase rate.

- When Pineda starts a batter with strike one this season, those opposing hitters are hitting just .228 (43-for-189) with nine doubles, two triples, nine home runs, nine walks and 55 strikeouts.
- Once Big Mike gets to a two-strike count, opposing batters are 35-for-175 (.200) with five doubles, three home runs, 12 walks and 73 strikeouts.
- Pineda also ranks in the game's 94th percentile with a 4.8 walk percentage.

AT HIS BEST AGAINST THE BEST: Pineda has pitched his best against the heart of opposing lineups, limiting the number two to five hitters to a combined .188 batting average (31-for-165) with six doubles, seven home runs, five walks and 40 strikeouts...by contrast, leadoff batters are slashing .500/.531/.783 (23-for-46) with five doubles, one triple, two home runs and three walks, and the six to nine slots are hitting a combined .279 (34-for-122) with nine doubles, one triple, six home runs, nine walks and 28 strikeouts.

- Big Mike has been especially stingy against opposing cleanup hitters, limiting those batters to seven hits in 42 at-bats (.167), with two doubles, two home runs, one walk, 11 strikeouts and a .543 OPS.
- Five-hole hitters are also below the Mendoza line against Pineda, going 7-for-38 (.184) with three doubles, no walks, six strikeouts and a .447 OPS.

TEAM BULLPEN NOTES

- ☞ In its last 9 games, Twins 'pen has posted a 1.06 ERA (34.0 IP, 4 ER) with 10 BB, 33 K and a .202 BAA (24-for-119)...unscored upon in 6 of those 9 games.
- ☞ In their last 29 games (since 8/3), Twins relievers are 9-0-8, 3.46 ERA (125.0 IP, 48 ER), 17 holds, 51 BB, 117 K and a .216 BAA (99-for-459), while stranding 23-of-31 inherited runners (74.2%)...BAA is best in American League in that span (4th in MLB), while ERA ranks 5th (8th in MLB)...1-2, w/2 holds, a 2.89 ERA (18.2 IP, 6 ER) w/ 12 BB & 19 K at Progressive Field this season.
- ☞ Twins bullpen is 29-26-33, 4.64 ERA (508.0 IP, 262 ER), 70 holds, 203 BB, 509 K and a .247 BAA (473-for-1915) in 135 games overall this season...has allowed 66 of 143 inherited runners to score (46.2%), still the highest percentage in baseball...is 12-14-17, 4.83 ERA (238.2 IP, 128 ER), 29 holds, 108 BB, 257 K and a .251 BAA (229-for-912) in 67 road games.
- ☞ Twins relievers are 4-3, 3.35 ERA (48.1 IP, 18 ER), 6 holds, 26 BB, 37 K, 2 saves and a .200 BAA (35-for-175) in 12 games vs. CLE this season.

JORGE ALCALA - RHP

#66
 Height: 6-3 Weight: 205 Age: 25 (7/28/95 in Bajos De Haina, DR) Acquired: Trade with HOU, 7/27/18
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.2 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 0 BB vs. Left .217 vs. Right .248

- ☞ Was reinstated from 10-day Injured List on 8/27 after missing 15 games...has appeared three times since, including last night (1.2 scoreless) logging a combined 4.2 scoreless IP (4 H, 4 K) while picking up a hold in each game (a 2-0 win 8/27 vs. MIL and a 3-2 victory 8/30 at DET).
- ☞ Has fashioned a 0.82 ERA (11.0 IP, 1 ER), 1 BB, 13 K and .194 BAA (7-for-36) in his last 8 outings (since 7/27), going 1-1 w/ 3 holds...last 7 appearances have come in a Twins win, while he pitched in the 7th inning or later in 5 of those contests.
- ☞ Is T-3rd (w/ Thielbar) on Twins w/ 48 appearances...has held LHB to a .217 avg. (15-for-69) but w/ .507 slugging percentage (6 HR, 2 2B)...RHB are 26-for-105 (.248) w/ .390 slugging (4 HR, 3 2B).
- ☞ Career 0-2, (3.2 IP, 6 ER) with 3 BB & 3 K in 5 games vs. CLE...2.0 IP, BB & K in two games at Progressive Field earlier this season (5/21-22).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/5 at TB	ND	1.2	1	0	0	0	0	1
8/30 at DET	H7	2.0	2	0	0	0	0	2
8/27 vs. MIL	H6	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
8/8 at HOU	H5	1.0	1	1	1	1	1	2
8/6 at HOU	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8/5 at HOU	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
7/31 at STL	W3	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
7/27 vs. DET	L5	1.1	1	1	0	0	0	1
7/25 vs. LAA	ND	1.0	4	3	3	3	0	0

ALEX COLOME - RHP

#48
 Height: 6-1 Weight: 225 Age: 32 (12/31/88 in Santo Domingo, DR) Acquired: Signed as FA, 2/12/21
 Roadtrip: 0-0-1, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 1 BB Series at TB: 0-0-1, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 1 BB vs. Left .311 vs. Right .212

- ☞ Led American League and T-1st in majors with 8 saves in August...is 2-0-9 (11 opps.), 2.51 ERA (14.1 IP, 4 ER), 6 BB, 6 K and a .222 BAA (12-for-54) in 15 games (13 scoreless) since 8/3...recorded 4th save in last 5 app. yesterday with 11th save at TB...leads MIN w/ 55 G.
- ☞ 17 of his 21 outings since the All-Star Break have been scoreless, posting a 3.10 ERA (21.0 IP, 7 ER) and a .215 BAA (17-for-79).
- ☞ Has held RHB to .212/.256/.305 slash line (25-for-118 w/ 5 2B, 2 HR & 7 BB)...LHB are slashing .311/.417/.544 (28-for-90 w/ 6 2B, 5 HR & 15 BB).
- ☞ Career 1-3-8, one hold, 2.87 ERA (37.2 IP, 12 ER) with 9 BB & 29 K with a .173 (23-for-133) BAA vs. CLE in 23 games...this season he is 0-2, with a 14.73 ERA (3.2 IP, 6 ER) with 4 BB & 2 K in 6 games vs. CLE...the two losses have come at Progressive Field this season.
- ☞ Is 4-4-11 with 5 holds, a 4.10 ERA (52.2 IP, 24 ER) with 22 BB & 42 K in 55 games this season.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/5 at TB	S11	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	1
9/4 at TB	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/30 at DET	S10	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
8/28 vs. MIL	S9	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
8/27 vs. MIL	S8	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8/25 at BOS	W4	1.0	3	2	2	1	1	1
8/18 vs. CLE	B55	1.0	2	2	2	0	1	0
8/16 vs. CLE	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
8/15 vs. TB	W3	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0

DANNY COULOMBE - LHP (PRONOUNCED KOO-LOHM)

#53
 Height: 5-10 Weight: 190 Age: 31 (10/26/1989 in St. Louis, MO) Acquired: Signed as minor league free agent, 11/9/20
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .225 vs. Right .235

- ☞ Matched his career high w/ 3rd win 8/18 vs. CLE (now 3-1; also went 3-1 w/ OAK in 2016)...career 1-0, 1 hold, 2.25 ERA (8.0 IP, 2 ER) with 5 BB & 7 K in 8 games vs. CLE...career 4.0 IP with ER, 4 BB & 5 K at Progressive Field (4 games)
- ☞ Has not allowed ER in 7 of his last 8 outings, going 1-0, with 2 holds, a 2.57 ERA with 3 BB & 4 K in that span.
- ☞ Is 3-1, 2.74 ERA (23.0 IP, 7 ER), 5 BB, 23 K and a .229 BAA (19-for-83) in 21 relief outings this season...has also stranded 3-of-4 inherited runners (75.0%)...made Twins debut with start as opener 6/25 vs. CLE (1.2 IP, 1 ER)...since his 1st true bullpen appearance on 6/29, ranks 2nd among AL lefty relievers in ERA (min. 20 G), behind only TOR's Tim Lincecum (1.77); is 13th overall among junior circuit relievers.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/1 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/27 vs. MIL	H2	1.1	1	0	0	0	0	2
8/25 at BOS	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
8/19 at NYY	ND	0.2	2	2	2	1	0	0
8/18 vs. CLE	W3	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/14 vs. TB	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/8 at HOU	H1	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/6 at HOU	B51	0.2	1	1	0	0	1	0

TYLER DUFFEY - RHP

#21
 Height: 6-3 Weight: 220 Age: 30 (12/27/90 in Houston, TX) Acquired: 5th Round, 2012 Draft
 Roadtrip: 1-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series at TB: 1-0-0, 0.00 (1.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .281 vs. Right .231

- ☞ 2nd on Twins w/ 53 appearances (42 w/out allowing an ER)...recorded his team-leading 16th hold on 8/27 vs. MIL & 3rd W yesterday vs. TB.
- ☞ 2.25 ERA (8.0 IP, 2 ER) in 10 outings (8 w/out allowing ER) during August...inherited bases-loaded, no-out jam in 7th inning last Tues. vs. CHC and struck out all 3 batters faced to escape jam unscathed.
- ☞ Has posted a 4.44 ERA (26.1 IP, 13 ER) and .311 BAA in 27 road G, compared to 2.35 ERA (23.0 IP, 6 ER) and .167 BAA in 26 home G this season.
- ☞ Has held RHB to .231 BAA (27-for-117) w/ 14 BB, 31 K and .316 SLG...LHB are hitting .281 (18-for-64) w/ 12 BB, 14 K and .406 SLG.
- ☞ Career 3-2, 1 SV, 3.31 ERA (65.1 IP, 24 ER) with 20 BB & 67 K in 32 G vs. CLE...1.80 ERA (5.0 IP, ER) with 3 BB & 6 K in 5 G this season vs. CLE.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/5 at TB	W3	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0
8/31 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	3
8/27 vs. MIL	H16	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/25 at BOS	ND	0.1	3	1	1	0	0	0
8/24 at BOS	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	2
8/18 vs. CLE	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
8/15 vs. TB	B52	0.2	1	1	0	0	2	1
8/10 vs. CWS	H15	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0

LUKE FARRELL - RHP

#51
 Height: 6-0 Weight: 200 Age: 29 (6/7/1991 in Westlake, OH) Acquired: Signed as ml FA, 12/14/20
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 0.00 (0.0 IP, 0 ER), 0 K, 0 BB vs. Left .160 vs. Right .250

- ☞ Was returned from rehab assignment and reinstated from 60-day Injured List yesterday...has missed the Twins' last 62 games with a right oblique strain...made 3 app. w/ Triple-A St. Paul (4.1 IP, 2 H, 2 R/ER, 4 BB, 7 K), with most recent on 9/3...originally placed on IL on 6/25 (retro to 6/23).
- ☞ Prior to injury, went 1-0, 1.76 ERA (15.1 IP, 3 ER), 6 BB, 17 K and a .211 BAA (12-for-57) in 13 G over 2 stints w/ Twins...1st batters faced are 0-for-12 with a BB against him this season, while opposing hitters are 1-for-10 (.100) w/ RISP...LHB are hitting .160 (4-for-25) with 3 BB, 8 K and 0 XBH, while RHB are hitting .250 (8-for-32) w/ 3 BB, 9 K and 5 XBH this season.
- ☞ Lone app. vs. CLE on 5/21, 2.0 IP, 2 H allowed with 2 K at Progressive Field...career 2 games vs. CLE, 3.0 IP with 5 K & a .308 (4-for-13) BAA.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
6/22 vs. CIN	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
6/21 vs. CIN	ND	1.1	1	0	0	0	0	2
6/14 at SEA	ND	1.0	2	2	2	0	1	1
6/10 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	0
6/8 vs. NYY	ND	1.0	2	0	0	0	0	1
6/6 at KC	W1	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/3 at KC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
6/1 at BAL	ND	2.0	1	1	1	1	1	2
5/30 vs. KC	ND	1.0	1	0	0	0	0	0

RALPH GARZA JR. - RHP

#32
 Height: 6-2 Weight: 206 Age: 27 (4/6/94 in Edinburg, TX) Acquired: Claimed off waivers from HOU, 8/4/21
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 2 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 0.00 (2.0 IP, 0 ER), 1 K, 2 BB vs. Left .167 vs. Right .229

- ☞ Has a 1.46 ERA (12.1 IP, 2 ER), 1 hold, 4 BB, 10 K, a .143 BAA (6-for-42) and an 0.81 WHIP in 10 appearances w/ Twins since being recalled from Triple-A St. Paul on 8/14...appeared in 9 G for HOU prior to being claimed by Twins off waivers on 8/4, going 1-2, 4.09 ERA (11.0 IP, 5 ER), 7 BB, 14 K, a .262 BAA (11-for-42) and a 1.64 WHIP...5 of his last 7 G w/ Astros were scoreless.
- ☞ Drops down for a sidearm delivery vs. RHB, holding them to a .174 BAA (4-for-23), 1 HR, 2 BB, 6 K w/ Twins...comes more over-the-top vs. LHB, who are 2-for-19 (.105), 1 HR, 2 BB, 4 K since joining Twins.
- ☞ Only two career app. vs. CLE (this season, 8/17-18), one hold, 3.0 IP with two strikeouts and a .182 (2-for-11) BAA.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/4 at TB	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	2	0
9/3 at TB	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/31 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	1
8/29 vs. MIL	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8/26 at BOS	ND	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/25 at BOS	ND	1.0	2	2	1	1	0	0
8/21 at NYY	ND	2.0	2	1	1	1	1	2
8/18 vs. CLE	H1	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	2

JUAN MINAYA - RHP

#49
 Height: 6-4 Weight: 210 Age: 30 (9/18/90 in Loma De Cabrera, DR) Acquired: Signed as minor league free agent, 11/9/20
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.1 IP, 0 ER), 3 K, 1 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 0.00 (1.1 IP, 0 ER), 3 K, 1 BB vs. Left .194 vs. Right .167

- ☞ Is 1-0-0, 1.04 ERA (17.1 IP, 2 ER), 10 BB, 21 K and a .150 BAA (9-for-60) in his last 13 outings (12 scoreless efforts)...has made 20 appearances overall for Twins, going 2-0-0, 2.83 ERA (28.2 IP, 9 ER), 15 BB, 30 K and a .176 BAA (18-for-102)...has also stranded all 5 inherited runners.
- ☞ Holding LHB to .200 avg. (7-for-36), 7 BB, 10 K & .222 slugging pct...RHB are 11-for-66 (.167), 7 BB, 18 K & .394 slugging pct. (6 2B, 3 HR).
- ☞ Career one save & one hold, 2.50 ERA (18.0 IP, 5 ER) with 7 BB, 15 K and a .200 (14-for-70) BAA in 17 games vs. CLE...only 2 app. vs. CLE this season, 6.00 ERA (3.0 IP, 2 ER) with three walks, one strikeout and a .182 (2-for-11) BAA.

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/4 at TB	ND	1.1	0	0	0	0	1	3
9/1 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8/31 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	3	0	0	0	0	1
8/28 vs. MIL	H2	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	1
8/24 at BOS	ND	1.1	1	0	0	0	2	0
8/20 at NYY	ND	1.0	0	0	0	0	1	2
8/18 vs. CLE	ND	2.0	2	2	2	1	2	0

CALEB THIELBAR - LHP

#56
 Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 Age: 34 (1/31/87 in Northfield, MN) Acquired: Signed as ml FA 11/29/19
 Roadtrip: 0-0-0, 13.50 (0.2 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 2 BB Series at TB: 0-0-0, 13.50 (0.2 IP, 1 ER), 1 K, 2 BB vs. Left .208 vs. Right .248

- ☞ Is 4-0-0, 3 holds, 2.79 ERA (19.1 IP, 6 ER), 7 BB, 21 K and a .182 BAA (12-for-66) in 18 games post-All-Star Break (14 scoreless efforts), while ranking 10th among AL left-handed relievers with 11.45 strikeouts per 9 innings.
- ☞ Is now 6-0, 3.93 ERA (52.2 IP, 23 ER) w/ 9 holds, 17 BB and 67 K in 48 games this season and 8-1, 3.47 (72.2 IP, 28 ER) w/ 10 holds, 26 BB and 89 K since rejoining Twins (and returning to majors for 1st time since 2015) for 2020 season...has not allowed ER in 25 of last 33 app.
- ☞ T-3rd on Twins w/ 48 appearances and 3rd w/ 9 holds...has held LHB to a .211/.235/.395 slash line (16-for-76 w/ 5 2B, 3 HR, 3 BB and 25 K).
- ☞ Has stranded 9 of his last 12 inherited runners (beginning June 21), with 1 of those 2 that scored coming across on an error...is 4-0, 2.45 ERA (33.0 IP, 9 ER), 8 BB and 39 K in 29 home app. this season, compared to 2-0, 6.41 ERA (19.2 IP, 14 ER), 9 BB and 28 K in 19 road games.
- ☞ Career 3-0, 7 holds, a 1.21 ERA (22.1 IP, 3 ER) with 12 BB & 21 K in 25 games vs. CLE...is 1-0 with 6.2 IP, three walks, six strikeouts and a .091 (2-for-22) BAA in 6 games vs. CLE this season...one hold, 2.0 IP, one BB & 2 strikeouts at Progressive Field this season (2 games).

RECENT APPEARANCES

DATE	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
9/5 at TB	ND	0.2	1	1	1	1	2	1
8/31 vs. CHC	ND	1.0	1	1	1	1	0	2
8/28 vs. MIL	W6	2.0	1	0	0	0	0	3
8/25 at BOS	H9	1.1	2	1	0	0	0	2
8/24 at BOS	ND	1.0	2	2	2	1	0	1
8/18 vs. CLE	H8	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/16 vs. CLE	W5	1.0	0	0	0	0	0	2
8/15 vs. TB	ND	1.1	1	0	0	0	0	0
8/11 vs. CWS	W4	1.1	0	0	0	0	0	1
8/7 at HOU	ND	1.0	2	2	2	0	1	2
8/5 at HOU	H7	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0

2021 BULLPEN INFO

Player name	1st Batter Avg	BB/9	K/9	Saves/Opps	Holds	IRS%	WHIP	HR	TEAM BULLPEN USAGE		
									Last game	2 games ago	3 games ago
Jorge Alcala	.267	2.03	8.69	0/4	15	26.7% (4/15)	1.07	10	1.2 IP (15)	0.0 IP (0)	0.0 IP (0)
Alex Colome	.392	3.76	7.18	11/16	9	22.2% (2/9)	1.42	7	1.0 IP (23)	1.0 IP (11)	0.0 IP (0)
Danny Coulombe	.333	1.82									

LUIS ARRAEZ - IF/OF (PRONOUNCED AH-RISE) **#2**

Height: 5-10 Weight: 175 B/T: L/R Age: 23 (4/9/97 in San Felipe, VZ)
 2021 Average: .298 Streak: 1g, 3-5, 2 RBI Series at TB: 3-13, 2 RBI
 Roadtrip: 3-13, 2 RBI Home Runs: 2 (2 2-run)

3-for-5, 2 RBI yesterday. 1st 3-H G since 8/4 at CIN...snapped skid of 5-straight hitless games w/ 2-for-4, 2B, R on 8/31 - streak tied career high...8/3-8/18, had 14-G on-base streak, 2nd-longest run of career...on 8/15, snapped season-high 10-G hit streak.
 Hit safely in 31 of last 43 G (14 multi-hit G), batting .327 (49-for-150), 21 R, 9 2B, HR, 13 RBI, 16 BB, .389 OBP & .796 OPS...AL ranks since 7/4 (min. 130 PA): 3rd in AVG, 3rd in OBP.
 Went 2-for-4 with HR, 3 RBI & BB 8/14 vs. TB (402-foot HR was longest of his career)...tied career high by reaching base 5x in game 8/4 at CIN (also, 4/4/21 at MIL)...has 28 multi-hit games and 9 3+ H games, both 2nd most on MIN...on IL 3x this season: 5/4-11 (concussion), 5/26-6/14 (right shoulder strain), 7/24-31 (strained right knee).
 Batting .327 (72-for-220), 10 2B, 4 3B, .383 OBP out of the leadoff spot this season.
 Batting .273 (12-for-44), 2B, 2 3B, 6 RBI, 7 R, 5 BB in 11 games vs. CLE this season, including just 4-for-22, RBI, 3 R in 5 games at Progressive Field.

WILLIAMS ASTUDILLO - C/IF **#64**

Height: 5-9 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 29 (10/14/91 in Barcelona Anzoategui, VZ)
 2021 Average: .246 Streak: 0-9 Series at TB: 0-6
 Roadtrip: 0-6 Home Runs: 7 (5 1-run, 2 2-run)

0-for-4, BB yesterday and is 0-for-his-last-9...HR on 8/26 went 412 ft., 2nd-longest HR of career; also made 4th pitching appearance of season (scoreless 8th inn.) and 5th of career.
 Recalled 7/21 (Kirilloff - IL)...games by position this season: P - 4 G, C - 9 G/4 GS, 1B - 23 G/18 GS, 2B - 4 G/2 GS, 3B - 27 G/20 GS, RF - 1 G/1 GS.
 2-for-12, R, HR, 2 RBI in 4 G vs. CLE this season...5-for-13, 2B, 2 HR in last 4 G vs. AL Central.

BYRON BUXTON - OF **#25**

Height: 6-2 Weight: 212 B/T: R/R Age: 27 (12/18/93 in Baxley, GA)
 2021 Average: .304 Streak: 1g, 2-5, 2B Series at TB: 2-12, 2B
 Roadtrip: 2-12, 2B Home Runs: 10 (5 1-run, 5 2-run)

Went 2-for-5, 2B yesterday and is 4-for-35, 3 R, 2 2B, 2 BB in 9 G since return from IL...returned from rehab, reinstated from 10-day IL 8/27; missed 55 G w/ left hand fracture...went 4-for-13 (.308), 2B, HR, 2 RBI in 4 rehab G for AAA St. Paul...placed on IL on 6/22 after being plunked by CIN's T. Mahle on 6/21...marked 2nd IL stint of season (5/7-6/19, strained right hip).
 Batting .451 (23-for-51) w/ runners on base and .333 (9-for-27) with RISP this season...enters today 11th in MLB in avg. sprint speed (min. 25 opp.), w/ 29.8 ft./sec.
 Is 7-for-9, 2 2B, 2 HR, 2 RBI, 4 R in 2 G vs. CLE this season, incl. his 5-for-5 G on 4/28 at Progressive Field...batting .364 (112-for-303), 2B, 3 HR, 6 RBI, 5 R in last 9 G at Progressive.
 Ended the month of April hitting .426 (29-for-68) w/ 8 2B, 8 HR, 14 RBI & .897 SLG - named recipient of the AL Player of the Month for April, becoming the 16th Twins player to win award & first since Delmon Young in July 2010.

JAKE CAVE - OF **#60**

Height: 6-0 Weight: 200 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (12/4/92 in Hampton, VA)
 2021 Average: .194 Streak: 1g, 2-3, 2 RBI Series at TB: 2-3, 2 RBI
 Roadtrip: 2-3, 2 RBI Home Runs: 3 (2 1-run, 1 3-run)

2-for-3, R, 2 RBI yesterday; 1st G w/ 2+ H & 2+ RBI since 9/2/20 (2 H, 2 RBI)...batting .348 (8-for-23), 3B, 2 HR, 6 RBI, 4 R, 1.071 OPS in last 10 road G...1-for-5, 3-R HR in 10th 8/25; 1st career HR in 10th-or-later & 1st career 3-R HR (2 GS)...reinstated from 60-day IL 7/24; missed 64 G w/ stress reaction in low back...hit .367 (11-for-30), 2B, HR, 5 RBI, 5 BB, .972 OPS in 8 rehab G.
 Is 4-for-13, 2 2B, 2 BB, 2 R, 400 OBP in 5 games vs. CLE this season...career .313 (15-for-48), 4 2B, 2 HR, 7 RBI, 4 R in 14 games vs. CLE...career def. positions: 143 in CF, 76 in RF, 47 in LF...in 2021: 28 G/18 GS in CF, 26 G/11 GS in LF, 8 G/6 GS in RF.

JOSH DONALDSON - 3B **#20**

Height: 6-1 Weight: 210 B/T: R/R Age: 35 (12/8/85 in Pensacola, FL)
 2021 Average: .253 Streak: 2g, 3-9, 2B Series at TB: 3-13, 2B
 Roadtrip: 3-13, 2B Home Runs: 21 (12 1-run, 9 2-run)

2-for-5, 2 R, 2B yesterday; reached base in 11 of last 12, batting .318 (14-for-44), 4 2B, 4 HR, 8 RBI, HBP, 6 BB, .412 OBP in span...leads MIN w/ 59 BB (17th in AL)...batting .321 (9-for-28), 3 2B, 3 HR, 5 RBI, 6 R, HBP, 2 BB, .387 OBP, .750 SLG, 1.137 OPS in last 7 road games (3 multi-H G in span)...5 HR in last 14 games overall, after none in 14 prior games.
 2nd RBI on 7/26 was 700th of career, becoming 30th active player to reach 700 career RBI...has 14 go-ahead RBI, 2nd on Twins...59 RBI overall rank 3rd on Twins.
 Played in 16 G for CLE in 2018...batting .255 (12-for-47), 2 HR, 7 RBI, 7 R, 6 BB in 12 G vs. CLE this season...batting .316 (12-for-38), 2B, 3 HR, 8 RBI, 8 R in last 10 G vs. AL Central.
 Enters tonight 3rd in MLB (among qualifiers) in barrels/PA (11.3), 5th in avg. exit velocity (94.0 mph), 6th in barrels/BBE (17.2) and 9th in hard hit % (52.6).

NICK GORDON - IF/OF **#1**

Height: 6-0 Weight: 160 B/T: L/R Age: 25 (10/24/1995 in Avon Park, FL)
 2021 Average: .232 Streak: 1g, 3-5, 2B, 2 RBI Series at TB: 4-10, 2B, 2 RBI
 Roadtrip: 4-10, 2B, 2 RBI Home Runs: 1 (1 1-run)

3-for-5, 2B, 2 RBI yesterday; go-ahead/game-winning RBI 1B in 9th, 2nd career go-ahead & 1st career game-winning RBI...also tied single-game career high in H & had 1st career G w/ 3 H & 2 RBI...recalled from AAA St. Paul 8/16, 4th stint w/ MIN (4/23-4/25, 5/4-5/10, 5/23-8/4).
 Batting .239 (33-for-138), 14 R, 6 2B, 3B, HR, 10 RBI, 8 BB, .609 OPS in 52 G w/ Twins...career 6 by position: 2B - 15 G/11 GS, SS - 3 G/0 GS, 3B - 2 G/0 GS, CF - 32 G/22 GS, LF - 3 G/2 GS.
 Career 4-for-10, 2B, RBI, 3 R, BB in 4 G vs. CLE...play at Progressive Field for 1st time this series.
 Made ML debut on 5/6 vs. TEX, recorded his 1st MLB hit, went 1-for-2 w/ BB, 1st player in Twins history with 2+ SB in debut...1st career HR on 6/4 at KC.

RYAN JEFFERS - C **#27**

Height: 6-4 Weight: 235 B/T: R/R Age: 24 (6/3/97 in Raleigh, NC)
 2021 Average: .193 Streak: 0-8 Series at TB: 1-10, HR
 Roadtrip: 1-10, HR Home Runs: 12 (7 1-run, 3 2-run, 1 3-run, 1 GS)

0-for-2 as sub yesterday...1-for-4, solo HR Friday...has played in each of MIN's last 11 G...8/25 at BOS, became 1st MIN C w/ 2 HBP in G since Pierzynski on 4/10/2003...8/14-8/16, HR-ed in b2b G for 3rd time in career...5-for-26, 3 HR, 4 RBI, 4 R, 2 HBP, 3 BB in 10 career G vs. CLE.

Jeffers, continued...

All 12 of his HR this season have come while playing C, setting a new record for most ever by a Twins rookie backstop (since 1961); broke tie w/ Butch Wynegar (10 in 1976).

MAX KEPLER - OF **#26**

Height: 6-4 Weight: 225 B/T: L/L Age: 28 (2/10/93 in Berlin, Germany)
 2021 Average: .210 Streak: 0-3 Series at TB: 2-11, 2B, RBI
 Roadtrip: 2-11, 2B, RBI Home Runs: 16 (12 1-run, 2 2-run, 2 3-run)

0-for-3, 2 BB yesterday, 8th G w/ 2+ BB this season...has .397 OBP (14 H, 16 BB, HBP) in last 18 G, reaching safely in 17 of 18...4 3B this year tie career high (also, 2018)...2-for-3, 3 R, 2 2B, 2 BB 8/15 vs. TB (2nd career G w/ 2+ XBH & 2+ BB)...batting .286 (8-for-28), 3 2B, 6 BB, HBP, .429 OBP in last 9 games.
 Hit 13th career leadoff HR 8/16 vs. CLE, breaking a tie w/ Dan Gladden for sole possession of 4th in Twins history (1961-present)...next up is Chuck Knoblauch in 3rd w/ 14 HR...was 4th of season, all at home (also 5/6 vs. TEX, 7/25 vs. LAA and 8/14 vs. TB).
 2nd on team w/ career-high 9 SB...39 of 74 hits this season have been XBH (19 2B, 4 3B, 16 HR).
 Is just 6-for-33 in 8 G vs. CLE this season; 5 of 6 H have been XBH (2 2B, 3B, 2 HR)...his 18 career HR vs. CLE are his most vs. any opponent & his 37 RBI are his 3rd most.

JORGE POLANCO - IF **#11**

Height: 5-11 Weight: 208 B/T: S/R Age: 28 (7/5/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
 2021 Average: .278 Streak: 0-5 Series at TB: 5-12, 2 HR, 2 2B, 4 RBI
 Roadtrip: 5-12, 2 HR, 2 2B, 4 RBI Home Runs: 16 (12 1-run, 2 2-run, 2 3-run)

0-for-4, BB yesterday...9/3-9/4, HR & 2B in b2b G for 1st time in career & tied career-high w/ 2+ XBH in b2b G...has career-high 26 HR this season (previous high was 22 in 2019), 2nd-highest single-season total by switch hitter in MIN history (1961-), trailing only C. Davis (2nd in 1991)...batting .338 (24-for-71), 11 R, 6 2B, 5 HR, 19 RBI in last 17 games (8 multi-hit G).
 His 9 HR in August tied E. Escobar for 2nd most in single month by MIN switch hitter, behind C. Davis (10 HR in June 1991)...his 27 RBI in August were T-3rd most in MIN history in that month.
 Batting .309 (69-for-223), 12 2B, 3B, 17 HR, 51 RBI, .601 SLG, .955 OPS in 56 G since 7/1...AL ranks in span (qualifiers): 2nd in RBI (T-2nd in MLB), 3rd in SLG, T-3rd in HR (T-4th in MLB), 4th in AVG.
 Hitting .284 (91-for-320) w/ 17 2B, 3B, 19 HR, 55 RBI as LHB; .265 (45-for-170), 12 2B, 3B, 7 HR, 27 RBI as RHB this year...leads MIN w/ 41 multi-hit G, 12 G w/ 3+ H & 22 multi-RBI G.
 Batting .314 (11-for-35), 2 2B, HR, 7 RBI, 5 R in 8 games vs. CLE this season...hit in 7-straight vs. CLE, since 4/28; batting .344 (11-for-32), 2 2B, HR, 6 RBI in span.

ROB REFSNYDER - OF **#38**

Height: 6-0 Weight: 205 B/T: R/R Age: 30 (3/26/1991 in Seoul, South Korea)
 2021 Average: .265 Streak: 0-2 Series at TB: 2-4, 2B
 Roadtrip: 2-4, 2B Home Runs: 2 (2 1-run)

0-for-2 yesterday...2-for-2, 2B, 2 BB Saturday, tying single-game career high w/ 4 TOB...just 3-for-17, HR, 2 RBI in 6 G vs. CLE this season, but all 3 H have occurred at Progressive Field.
 Returned from rehab, reinstated from 10-day IL 8/5; missed 43 G w/ left hamstring strain.
 He is the 2nd South Korean-born player in Twins/Senators history, alongside ByungHo Park.

BRENT ROOKER - OF **#50**

Height: 6-3 Weight: 225 B/T: R/R Age: 26 (11/1/94 in Germantown, TN)
 2021 Average: .200 Streak: 0-1 Series at TB: 0-1
 Roadtrip: 0-1 Home Runs: 6 (5 1-run, 1 2-run)

0-for-1, PH 9/3...2-for-2, HBP 9/1; 6th career G w/ 3+ TOB...2nd career G w/ 2 BB on 8/26 (also, 7/28/21)...batting .333 (11-for-33), 2B, 2 HR, 4 RBI, 8 R, 6 BB, 500 OBP, 1.045 OPS in last 13 G...1st career OF assist 8/16...4-for-5, HR, 2 RBI 8/13 setting single-game career high in H.
 Hit 460-foot HR 7/26, 5th longest by a MIN hitter this season...recalled from AAA 7/23 (Cruz traded to TB, 7/22), 2nd stint w/ MIN this season (4/3-4/29)...at the time of most recent recall, was T-1st in AAA in HR, T-5th among MiLB hitters.
 Batting .317 (19-for-60) in 18 home G compared to .107 (8-for-75) in 21 road G this season.
 Is 3-for-16, HR, RBI, 3 R, 2 BB, 2 HBP, .350 OBP in 5 games vs. CLE this season...career .235 (4-for-17), 4 R, 2B, HR, RBI, 3 HBP, 2 BB, .409 OBP in 6 games vs. CLE.

BEN RORTVED - C **#70**

Height: 5-10 Weight: 205 B/T: L/R Age: 23 (9/25/97 in Madison, WI)
 2021 Average: .149 Streak: 2g, 2-4 Series at TB: 1-2
 Roadtrip: 1-2 Home Runs: 2 (2 1-run)

1-for-2, R, BB yesterday; tied career high w/ 2 TOB & recorded 1st career road hit, snapping 0-for-26 on road to begin career...has 5 CCS w/ MIN this season, 2nd most on club (Jeffers - 7).
 Recalled from Triple-A St. Paul 8/29...4th stint w/ MIN this season (also, 4/30-5/21, 5/30-7/19, 7/22-7/25)...batted .236 (26-for-110), 5 2B, 4 HR, 18 RBI, 7 BB in 30 G for Saints.
 1 career G vs. CLE, going 1-for-3 6/24...career 6-for-46, 2 HR, 4 RBI in 20 G vs. AL Central.

MIGUEL SANDO - IF **#22**

Height: 6-4 Weight: 272 B/T: R/R Age: 28 (5/11/93 in San Pedro De Macoris, DR)
 2021 Average: .218 Streak: 1g, 1-2, HR Series at TB: 1-5, HR
 Roadtrip: 1-5, HR Home Runs: 24 (13 1-run, 8 2-run, 2 3-run, 1 GS)

1-for-2, solo HR Saturday; departed in 5th after collision w/ Zunino...career-high 2 SB this year...hit 495-ft. HR 8/25, longest in MLB this year & 2nd-longest by MIN hitter in Statcast Era (2015-).
 Reached safely in 30 of last 33, w/ 7 2B, 9 HR, 27 RBI, 20 BB, .369 OBP & .914 OPS in that span...reinstated from PL 8/23; daughter, Danea, born 8/20...HR-ed in b2b G 8/18-8/19, 25th time in career...has 5 HR and 13 RBI in last 13 games (12-for-48, .543 SLG, .857 OPS).
 Hit 150th career HR in 2,062nd PA 8/9 vs. CWS, 2nd-fastest to 150 HR in MIN history (Killebrew: 2,043)...now has 155 career HR, 11th in Twins history (since 1961)...is 7-for-26, 3 2B, 2 HR, 5 RBI, 7 BB, .424 OBP in 7 G vs. CLE this season...17 career HR vs. CLE are his 3rd most vs. anyone.

ANDRELTON SIMMONS - SS **#9**

Height: 6-2 Weight: 195 B/T: R/R Age: 32 (9/4/89 in Mundo Novo, Curaçao)
 2021 Average: .220 Streak: 1g, 1-3 Series at TB: 1-5
 Roadtrip: 1-5 Home Runs: 3 (3 2-run)

1-for-3, BB Saturday, on 32nd bday, and is 3-for-8 over last 2 birthdays...batting .333 (8-for-24), RBI, 3 BB, 3 R, .407 OBP in last 8 road games...has 199 career 2B, 1 shy of 200.
 On defense, his 14 outs above average (Statcast) are T-4th in MLB with KC's N. Lopez, behind ARI's N. Ahmed (20), NYM's F. Lindor (17) and OAK's M. Chapman (16).
 Is just 7-for-42 (.167), 2B, HR, 5 RBI, 6 R, BB in 12 games vs. CLE this season, including 3-for-23, R, 2 RBI in 6 games at Progressive Field.

TWINS HOME RUN DATA

Category	Player	Count
MULTI-HOMER GAMES (13x)	Cruz (4/5 at DET)	1
	Cruz (4/21 at OAK)	1
	Garver (4/28 at CLE)	1
	Kirilloff (4/30 vs. KC)	1
	Sanó (5/18 vs. CWS)	1
	Donaldson (6/3 at KC)	1
	Polanco (6/9 vs. NYY)	1
	Donaldson (6/11 vs. HOU)	1
	Kepler (7/5 vs. CWS)	1
	Garver (7/19 at CWS-2)	1
MULTI-HOMER GAMES (13x)	Jeffers (7/28 vs. DET)	1
	Sanó (7/28 vs. DET)	1
	Polanco (8/8 at HOU)	1
	Polanco (8/8 at HOU)	1
WALK-OFF (3x)	Cruz (6/10 vs. NYY)	1
	Sanó (6/21 vs. CIN)	1
	Polanco (7/11 vs. DET)	1
BACK-TO-BACK (4x)	Buxton/Donaldson (4/28 at CLE)	1
	Gordon/Sanó (6/4 at KC)	1
	Kepler/Rooker (7/25 vs. LAA)	1
INSIDE-THE-PARK (0x)	None	0
	None	0
RUNNERS ON	Solo - 114	114
	2-run - 52	52
	3-run - 19	19
	GS - 4	4
	GS - 4	4
GRAND SLAM (4x)	Cruz (4/5 at DET)	1
	Sanó (5/20 at LAA, G2)	1
	Garver (7/27 vs. DET)	1
	Jeffers (7/28 vs. DET)	1
	None	0
LEADOFF (6x)	Buxton (4/28 at CLE)	1
	Kepler (5/6 vs. TEX)	1
	Garlick (5/7 at DET)	1
	Kepler (7/25 vs. LAA)	1
	Kepler (8/14 vs. TB)	1
Kepler (8/16 vs. CLE)	1	

HITTERS INFO

Player	LAST HOME RUN				LAST GRAND SLAM				VS. CURRENT OPPONENT 2021				VS. CURRENT OPPONENT CAREER								
	Multi-Hit	Multi-RBI	Season Hit-Strk	Season High Hits	Date	Opp.	On	Pitcher	Date	Opp.	#	Avg	H	AB	HR	RBI	Avg	H	AB	HR	RBI
Luis Arraez	28	9	10, 8/3-8/14	4, 4/15	8/14/21	vs. TB	1	Wacha			0	.273	12	44	0	6	.278	32	115	0	11
Williams Astudillo	8	2	8, 4/27-5/14	3, 7/30	8/26/21	at BOS	1	Sale			0	.167	2	12	1	2	.275	11	40	3	6
Byron Buxton	10	5	10, 4/1-4/20	5, 4/28	6/20/21	at TEX	1	Dunning	5/18/19	at SEA	2	.778	7	9	2	2	.229	30	131	8	19
Jake Cave	6	3	2, 8/24-8/25	2, 9/5	8/25/21	at BOS	2	Robles	7/26/20	at CWS	2	.308	4	13	0	0	.303	23	76	2	8
Josh Donaldson	24	17	6, 8/13-8/18	4, 4/21	8/30/21	at DET	1	Mize	9/28/18	at KC	5	.255	12	47	2	7	.300	66	220	14	48
Nick Gordon	9	3	5, 6/2-6/10	3, 9/5	6/04/21	at KC	0	Davis			0	.400	4	10	0	1	.400	4	10	0	1
Ryan Jeffers	9	8	4, 8/13-8/18	3, 7/23	9/03/21	at TB	0	Wacha	7/28/21	vs. DET	1	.111	2	18	1	1	.192	5	26	3	4
Max Kepler	18	11	4, 8/30-9/4	3, 8/8	8/16/21	vs. CLE	0	Quanttrill	8/26/17	at TOR	2	.182	6	33	2	7	.224	72	322	18	37
Jorge Polanco	41	22	10, 7/26-8/6	4, 4/21	9/04/21	at TB	1	Archer			0	.314	11	35	1	7	.269	73	271	8	36
Rob Refsnyder	9	2	5, 5/21-5/25	4, 5/17	5/25/21	vs. BAL	0	Akin			0	.176	3	17	1	2	.237	9	38	1	3
Brent Rooker	5	2	5, 7/24-7/28	4, 8/13	8/14/21	vs. TB	1	Head			0	.188	3	16	1	1	.235	4	17	1	1
Ben Rortved			2, 8/31-9/5	1, 9/5	7/11/21	vs. DET	0	Holland			0	.333	1	3	0	0	.333	1	3	0	0
Miguel Sanó	16	16	9, 6/4-6/13	3, 7/28	9/04/21	at TB	0	Archer	5/20/21	at LAA	2	.269	7	26	2	5	.201	63	313	17	38
Andrelton Simmons	18	6	7, 5/31-6/10																		

MISC. HIGHS AND LOWS

Most Runs, Game (Team)	15, 4/5 at DET
Most Runs, Inning (Team)	9, 4th inn, 5/21 at CLE
Most Hits, Game (Team)	18, 4/21 at OAK
Most Hits, Inning (Team)	8, 4th inn, 7/28 vs. DET
Most Strikeouts, Batters (Team)	17, 4/1 at MIL
Longest Hitting Streak (Individual)	10, 4x, last: Arraez, 8/3-8/14
Consecutive Hits (Individual)	7, Buxton, 4/27-30
Consecutive Hitless At-Bats (Individual)	24, Sanó, 5/28-6/4
Consecutive Scoreless Innings (Batters)	17, 7th inn 4/16-4/20
Most Runs Allowed (Team)	17, 7/28 vs. DET
Most Runs Allowed, Inning (Team)	9, 1st inn, 6/4 at KC
Most Hits Allowed (Team)	20, 6/13 vs. HOU
Most Hits Allowed, Inning (Team)	6, 5x, last: 4th inn, 7/28 vs. DET
Pitchers Used (Team)	8, 8/18 vs. CLE (11)
Cons. Batters Retired (Team)	17, 4/23 vs. PIT
Scoreless Innings Streak (Team/Pitchers)	15, 8th inn, 8/13-4th inn, 8/15
Most Runs, Starter	9, 6x, last: Albers, 9/4 at TB
Most Home Runs, Starter	4, 2x, last: Albers, 9/4 at TB
Most Walks, Starter	5, 4x, last: Barnes, 8/20 at NYY
Most Strikeouts, Starter	12, Berrios, 4/3 at MIL
Most Strikeouts, Pitchers (Team)	17, 4/3 at MIL
Most Walks, Pitchers (Team)	9, 3x, last: 8/18 vs. CLE (11)
Most Cons. Scoreless Innings (Individual)	10.0, Pineda 4/10-15
Most Cons. Batters Retired (Individual)	15, Dobnak, 9/3 at TB
Longest Game, Innings	12, 6/21 vs. CIN
Longest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	4:09, 8/24 at BOS
Longest Game, Time (X Inn.)	5:14, 6/21 vs. CIN
Fastest Game, Time (9 Inn.)	2:17, 4/23 vs. PIT
Fastest Game, Time (7 Inn.)	1:54, 7/19 at CWS (2)
Largest Margin, Victory	12 (12-0), 8/14 vs. TB
Largest Margin, Loss	12 (4-16), 5/17 vs. CWS
Lineups Used	126

LONGEST HOME RUNS

Sanó	495 ft, 8/25 at BOS (Pivetta)
Sanó	475 ft, 8/18 vs. CLE (Plesac)
Sanó	473 ft, 7/28 vs. DET (Jiménez)
Larnach	461 ft, 5/24 vs. BAL (Means)
Rooker	460 ft, 7/26 vs. DET (Manning)
Cruz	457 ft, 6/10 vs. NYY (Chapman)
Buxton	456 ft, 4/1 at MIL (Yardley)
Cruz	453 ft, 6/30 at CWS (Cease)

HIGHEST EXIT VELOCITY

Sanó	117.1, 7/31 at STL (IB)
Sanó	116.7, 8/25 at BOS (HR)
Sanó	116.7, 8/9 vs. CWS (HR)
Cruz	116.6, 4/5 at DET (HR)
Cruz	116.5, 6/21 vs. CIN (HR)
Sanó	116.4, 7/23 vs. LAA (2B)
Larnach	116.0, 7/3 at KC (HR)
Larnach	116.0, 5/17 vs. CWS (2B)

SCORE BY INNING

Opponent	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	XTRA	TOTAL
Twins	71	91	82	79	118	75	65	63	60	22	726
Twins	74	55	70	73	67	89	46	86	28	27	615

INJURED LIST

PLAYER	INJURY	DATE ON	RETRO	DATE OFF	GAMES MISSED
Edwar Colina	Right Elbow Inflammation	4/1			136
Josh Donaldson	Mild Right Hamstring Strain	4/3	4/2	4/14	9
Brent Rooker	Cervical Strain	4/7		4/20	9
Andrelton Simmons	COVID IL	4/14		4/26	10
Kyle Garlick	COVID IL	4/20		4/30	9
Max Kepler	COVID IL	4/20		4/30	9
Caleb Thielbar	COVID IL	4/20		4/24	4
JT Riddle	COVID IL	4/21		4/30	7
Miguel Sanó	Right Hamstring Strain	4/23	4/21	5/5	12
Luis Arraez	Concussion IL	5/4		5/11	5
Alex Kirilloff	Right Wrist Sprain	5/5	5/4	5/21	16
Byron Buxton	Right Hip Strain	5/7		6/19	39
Devin Smeltzer	Left Elbow Inflammation	5/12			103
Jake Cave	Stress Reaction in Low Back	5/15	5/13	7/24	64
Shaun Anderson	Left Quad Strain	5/18		5/31	13
Michael Pineda	Abscess	5/19	5/16	5/26	11
Kenta Maeda	Right Adductor Strain	5/23		6/14	20
Luis Arraez	Right Shoulder Strain	5/26	5/24	6/14	19
Max Kepler	Left Hamstring Strain	5/30		6/18	17
Mitch Garver	Groin Contusion	6/2		7/19	39
Rob Refsnyder	Concussion	6/2	6/1	6/8	6
Caleb Thielbar	Left Groin Strain	6/3		6/16	12
Shaun Anderson	Finger Blisters on Right Hand	6/6	6/5	6/15	9
Cody Stashak	Left Back Disc Injury	6/9	5/29		86
Kyle Garlick	Sports Hernia	6/9			76
Michael Pineda	Right Elbow Inflammation	6/14		7/7	19
Rob Refsnyder	Left Hamstring Strain	6/14		8/5	43
Byron Buxton	Left Hand Fracture	6/22		8/27	54
Randy Dobnak	Right Middle Finger Strain	6/24	6/21	9/1	61
Luke Farrell	Right Oblique Strain	6/25	6/23	9/5	62
Derek Law	Right Shoulder Impingement	7/17	7/13		47
Alex Kirilloff	Ligament Tear in Right Wrist	7/21	7/20		42
Luis Arraez	Right Knee Strain	7/24	7/21	7/31	9
Taylor Rogers	Left Middle Finger Sprain	7/27			35
Jorge Alcala	Triceps Tendinitis	8/9		8/27	15
Michael Pineda	Left Mild Oblique Strain	8/14		9/6	20
Lewis Thorpe	Left Shoulder Impingement	8/19			15
Kenta Maeda	Right Forearm Tightness	8/24	8/23		12
Mitch Garver	Low Back Tightness	8/27	8/25		11

BOLD indicates currently on IL

STARTS BY POSITION

	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	LF	CF	RF	DH
Luis Arraez	0	0	27	0	36	24	0	0	2
Williams Astudillo	4	18	2	0	20	0	0	1	0
Byron Buxton	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0
Jake Cave	0	0	0	0	0	10	18	6	0
Gilberto Celestino	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	0
Nelson Cruz	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	80
Josh Donaldson	0	0	0	0	77	0	0	0	24
Kyle Garlick	0	0	0	0	0	9	2	13	0
Mitch Garver	47	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Nick Gordon	0	0	11	0	0	2	22	0	0
Ryan Jeffers	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Max Kepler	0	0	0	0	0	19	70	4	0
Alex Kirilloff	0	25	0	0	0	11	0	19	0
Trevor Larnach	0	0	0	0	0	51	0	18	0
Jorge Polanco	0	0	96	23	0	0	0	0	4
Rob Refsnyder	0	0	0	0	0	5	20	4	0
JT Riddle	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Brent Rooker	0	0	0	0	0	24	0	5	7
Ben Rortvedt	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miguel Sanó	0	92	0	0	3	0	0	0	6
Andrelton Simmons	0	0	0	111	0	0	0	0	0

STARTS BY BATTING ORDER

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Luis Arraez	55	1	0	9	11	2	3	3	5
Williams Astudillo	0	0	0	2	4	8	14	11	6
Byron Buxton	7	10	7	9	1	1	0	0	0
Jake Cave	0	0	0	0	2	7	10	9	6
Gilberto Celestino	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	9
Nelson Cruz	0	0	47	33	0	0	0	0	0
Josh Donaldson	0	68	13	20	0	0	0	0	0
Kyle Garlick	10	4	0	3	2	0	1	3	1
Mitch Garver	5	1	2	13	9	12	6	1	0
Nick Gordon	0	0	0	0	0	5	20	8	2
Ryan Jeffers	0	0	0	0	13	8	13	22	6
Max Kepler	29	2	5	9	15	8	21	4	0
Alex Kirilloff	0	1	9	9	22	5	8	0	1
Trevor Larnach	1	2	18	10	10	14	10	4	0
Jorge Polanco	27	23	31	8	16	16	2	0	0
Rob Refsnyder	2	0	3	1	4	3	4	12	0
JT Riddle	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Brent Rooker	0	24	0	0	2	6	2	2	0
Ben Rortvedt	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	12
Miguel Sanó	0	0	1	10	25	41	20	4	0
Andrelton Simmons	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33	78

MOST USED LINEUP (3X)

Player	Pos.
Kepler	RF
Rooker	LF
Polanco	2B
Donaldson	DH
Arraez	3B
Garver	C
Sanó	1B
Refsnyder	CF
Simmons	SS

OUTFIELD ASSISTS

Jake Cave	4
Trevor Larnach	4
Max Kepler	3
Luis Arraez	2
Gilberto Celestino	2
Kyle Garlick	2
Alex Kirilloff	2
Rob Refsnyder	2
Nick Gordon	1
Brent Rooker	1

FASTEST PITCHES

Alcala	100.9, 8/5 at HOU (c. ball)
Alcala	100.7, 6/11 vs. HOU (out)

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED

FOR THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: J. Polanco, 4/5/19 at PHI (11 all-time)
Grand Slam: R. Jeffers, 7/28/21 vs. DET (4 as a team in 2021)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: B. Buxton, 9/15/20 at CWS (1 as a team in 2020, 55 all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (2 as a team in 2019)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: M. LeCroy, 9th inning, 5/19/04 at TOR (15 all-time)
Five-Hit Game: B. Buxton, 4/27/21 at CLE (1 in 2021)
Six-Hit Game: K. Puckett, 5/23/91 vs. TEX (2 all-time, both Puckett)
Two Hits, One Inning: M. Sanó, 4th inning, 7/28/21 vs. DET (2 as a team in 2021)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: M. Cuddyer, 8/23/09 at KC (1 all-time)
Two-Home Run Game: J. Polanco, 8/8/21 at HOU (13 as team in 2021)
Three-Home Run Game: M. Sanó, 5/18/21 vs. CWS (1 as a team in 2021, 13 all-time)
Back-to-Back Home Runs: M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET (4 as team in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: N. Cruz/E. Rosario/C. Cron, 4/26/19 vs. BAL (1 in 2019)
Three Home Runs, One Inning: C. Cron/J. Polanco/N. Cruz (2nd), 8/3/19 vs. KC (5 in 2019)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: M. Sanó/R. Jeffers/M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/28/21 vs. DET
Walk-Off Home Run: J. Polanco, 7/11/21 vs. DET (3 as a team in 2021)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: M. Sanó, 8/5/19 vs. ATL (10 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: M. Kepler, 8/16/21 vs. CLE (6 as a team in 2021)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: M. Kepler/B. Rooker, 7/25/21 vs. LAA (2 as team in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs to Start Game: B. Buxton/J. Donaldson/N. Cruz, 4/28/21 at CLE
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Last actual pitcher Jim Kaat, 6/11/72 at CLE; Chris Gimenez catcher pitching in relief, 9/3/18 at TEX

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: F. Liriano, 5/3/11 at CWS (6 all-time)
One-Hitter: E. Santana, 4/15/17 vs. CWS (14 all-time)
Two-Hitter: E. Santana, 5/24/17 at BAL (43 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: B. Radke (10.0 innings), 9/21/97 vs. MIL
10+ Strikeouts: 10, G. Jax, 8/10/21 vs. CWS (5 as team in 2021)
Complete Game Shutout: J. Berrios, 4/1/18 at BAL (1 as a team in 2018)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Mays/C. Silva, 5/19-20/05 vs. TOR/vs. MIL
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 5/6/19 & 5/7/19 at TOR (2 games, 8-0 and 3-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: Z. Duke, 3/29/18 at BAL (7th inning) (4 times since 1961)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: M. Sanó/A. Simmons/N. Gordon, 6/6/21 at KC - N. Lopez hitting (15 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: W. Astudillo, 8/26/21 at BOS (4 in 2021)
Three or more Steals, One Game: E. Adriaena (3), 6/21/17 vs. CWS (1 in 2017)
Steal of Home: C. Thomas, 8/3/13 vs. HOU
Pure Steal of Home: R. Becker, 9/27/97 at CLE
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: E. Rosario, 5/6/15 vs. OAK (1st PA, 1st pitch)

AGAINST THE TWINS

HITTING:
Hit for the Cycle: A. Beltré, 8/24/12 at TEX (5 allowed all-time)
Grand Slam: E. Haase, 7/27/21 vs. DET (6 allowed as team in 2021)
Inside-the-Park Home Run: K. Kiermaier, 8/13/21 vs. TB (45 allowed all-time)
Pinch-Hit Home Run: R. Grossman, 7/26/21 vs. DET (3 allowed in 2021)
Pinch-Hit Grand Slam: J. Sands, 8/8/15 at CLE
Five-Hit Game: D. Gregorius, 7/23/19 vs. NYY
Six-Hit Game: J. Segura, 5/28/13 at MIL (3 allowed all-time)
Two Hits, One Inning: W. Merrifield, 1st inning, 6/4/21 at KC (2 allowed in 2021)
Two Home Runs, One Inning: D. Nilsson, 5/17/96 vs. MIL
Two-Home Run Game: Y. Grandal, 6/30/21 at CWS (8 allowed in 2021)
Three-Home Run Game: J. Donaldson, 8/28/16 at TOR
Back-to-Back Home Runs: Y. Diaz/J. Luplow, 9/4/21 at TB (9 allowed in 2021)
Three Consecutive Home Runs: A. Jones/V. Castilla/J. Franco, 6/11/02 vs. ATL
Three Home Runs, One Inning: N. Lopez/J. Soler/S. Perez, 8/8/20 at KC (2 in 2020)
Four Home Runs, One Inning: C. Everett/T. O'Leary/J. Varitek/M. Burkhart, 7/3/00 vs. BOS
Walk-off Home Run: G. Sheets, 7/19/21 G2 at CWS (3 allowed in 2021)
Pinch-Hit, Walk-Off Home Run: C. Santana, 9/23/11 at CLE (12 all-time)
Leadoff Home Run: R. Grossman, 7/17/21 G1 at DET (5 allowed in 2021)
Consecutive Home Runs to Lead Off Game: S. Smith/M. Machado, 7/7/17 vs. BAL (1 in '17)
Last Pitcher to Hit Home Run: Jon Lester, 7/1/18 at CHC

PITCHING (complete games only for low-hit games):

No-Hitter: Jer. Weaver, 5/2/12 at LAA (5 all-time)
One-Hitter: C. Kluber, 8/14/15 vs. CLE (23 all-time)
Two-Hitter: R. Halladay, 5/29/05 at TOR (49 all-time)
10+ Innings Pitched: A. Fernández (10.0 innings), 10/1/95 at CHW
10+ Strikeouts: 13, P. Sandoval, 7/24/21 vs. LAA (3 times in 2021)
Complete Game Shutout: S. Manaea, 4/20/21 (G1) at OAK (1 time in 2021)
Back-to-Back Complete Game Victories: J. Williams/Jer. Weaver, 5/1-2/12 at LAA
Back-to-Back Shutouts: 4/20/21 Game 1 & 4/20/21 Game 2 at OAK (2 games, 7-0 and 1-0)
Four Strikeouts in an Inning: F. Hernández, 6/3/10 vs. SEA (8th inning)

MISCELLANEOUS:

Triple Play: J. Donaldson/A. Rosales/C. Carter, 8/21/12 at OAK - T. Plouffe hitting (8 all-time)
Position Player Pitching: J. Luplow, 8/14/21 vs. TB (2 in 2021)
Three or more Steals, One Game: W. Merrifield (3), 7/2/17 at KC (1 in 2017)
Steal of Home: R. Davis, 8/1/18 vs. CLE
Pure Steal of Home: S. Green, 5/26/00 vs. TEX
Home Run in First ML At-Bat: C. Richard, 7/17/00 vs. STL

2021 TARGET FIELD WEATHER DELAYS AND POSTPONEMENTS

DATE	DELAYED/PPD	NOTES
4/8 vs. Seattle	Delayed	Home Opener delayed for 16 minutes in the 4th inning due to quick rain shower. Grounds crew pulled tarp quick after rain and both starters remained in game.
5/5 vs. Texas	Delayed	Scheduled 6:40 p.m. game delayed for 31 minutes due to rain in the area. Grounds crew began pulling tarp around 6:25 p.m. and game started at 7:11 p.m.
5/24 vs. Baltimore	Delayed	Game was stopped at 9:05 p.m. in the top of the seventh inning due to rain; play resumed at 9:50 p.m. after a 45-minute delay.
6/9 vs. New York-AL	Delayed	A pregame deluge followed by a rainbow that spanned the entire ballpark pushed a scheduled 7:10 p.m. first pitch back to 7:21 p.m., for an 11-minute delay.
6/26 vs. Cleveland	Postponed	Scheduled 1:10 p.m. game postponed due to inclement weather in the area. Game was rescheduled to be part of a split doubleheader on September 14.

** Target Field has experienced 57 delayed games, 26 postponed games, 1 suspended game and 1 rain-shortened game in the park's history (since 2010). Longest delay: 4:50. **

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Main table containing game logs for Minnesota from July to August, including columns for Date, Opp., Score, W/L, Rcd., Pos., GA/GB, Daily Att, Total Hm Att, Home Date, and Winner/Loser/Save.

^ - Denotes Extra-Innings (Twins are 9-10 in extra innings)
* - Denotes Sellout (12 in 2019; 8 in 2021)
- PPD game from April 12 vs. BOS
- PPD game from April 19 at OAK
- PPD games from April 17 & 18 at LAA
- PPD game from May 9 at DET
- PPD game from June 26 vs. CLE
- PPD game from June 28 at CWS
- PPD game from July 16 at DET
- PPD game from August 22 at NYY

EJECTIONS table with columns: DATE, PLAYER/MGR/CH, UMPIRE, REASON, CAREER. Includes entries for Matt Shoemaker, Tyler Duffey, Jim Reynolds, Rocco Baldelli, and Jeff Nelson.

2021 WALK-OFF VICTORIES [7] table with columns: DATE, SCORE, NOTES. Lists walk-off hits by Polanco, Cruz, and Kepler.

2021 PLAYERS ON ROSTER [57] table with columns: Pitchers (33) and Position Players (24). Lists names and roles of current roster members.