



# OAKLAND ATHLETICS

## Game Information

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### A's AT A GLANCE

Season High	2-1 (April 8)
Season Low	59-76 (September 4)
April	8-11
May	11-18
June	13-15
July	12-14
August	14-15
September	4-4
Home Series	10-10-3
Road Series	6-11-5
Series Sweeps	2-7
First Game of Series	20-24
Last Game of Series	20-24
A's Score First	32-29
Opponent Scores First	30-48
Leading After 7 <sup>th</sup>	51-5
Leading After 8 <sup>th</sup>	52-1
Tied After 7 <sup>th</sup>	4-9
Tied After 8 <sup>th</sup>	7-12
Trailing After 7 <sup>th</sup>	7-63
Trailing After 8 <sup>th</sup>	3-64
Commit No Errors	39-43
Commit 1 or More Errors	23-34
More HR Than Opp.	26-14
Fewer HR Than Opp.	15-42
Same Total HR of Opp.	21-21
Starter Pitches 7 or More	15-13
Starter Pitches Less Than 7	47-64
When Scoring 4 or More	55-24
When Scoring Less Than 4	7-53
Last At Bat	10-16
Different Lineups	112

### OAKLAND ATHLETICS (62-77) VS. MINNESOTA TWINS (70-70)

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2009 – U.S. CELLULAR FIELD – 7:10 P.M. CDT**  
**RHP CLAYTON MORTENSEN (0-2, 9.82) VS. RHP NICK BLACKBURN (9-10, 4.16)**  
**CSNCA – A'S RADIO NETWORK (KTRB 860 AM) – EN ESPAÑOL (KDIA 1640 AM/KDYA 1190 AM)**

### ABOUT THE A's

**ABOUT THE A'S:** The A's had their three-game winning streak snapped on Wednesday...are now 6-6 over the last 12 games and 9-9 over the last 18 games...have not won or lost more than three games in a row since June 29 and are 31-34 over that span...are 62-77 (.446) for the season, which is the fourth worst record in the American League...have spent each of the last 131 days (since May 3) and 137 days this year in sole possession of last place in the AL West...the only seasons in Oakland history in which the A's spent more days all alone in last are 1997 (153) and 1979 (147)...have finished the season last in the AL West six times in Oakland history (1977, 1979, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1998)...the A's are 41-39 (.513) against teams from the Central and the East and 21-38 (.356) against Western division teams.

**DEFICITS AND ELIMINATION:** The A's are a season high 22 games out of first place in the American League West and have a "tragic" number of two for elimination from the division race...trail Boston by 19 games in the Wild Card and the "tragic" number for elimination from the playoffs is five...last year, the A's were officially eliminated from the West on September 7, an off day between games 142 and 143, and were eliminated from the playoffs on September 8 in game 143...that marked the earliest the A's were eliminated from the West or the playoffs since they were eliminated in game 140 in 1997.

**ON THE BASES:** The A's stole a season high five bases Wednesday night in Chicago, their second five-steal game in the last 14 years (also May 11 of last year at Texas)...were caught stealing three times and the eight stolen base attempts were the A's most in a game since July 29, 1989 when they had eight steals in eight attempts...now have 113 stolen bases for the season, which ranks fourth in the American League and the majors...those are the second most stolen bases by an A's team over the last 16 years (had 131 in 1998).

**ONE-RUN GAMES AND OTHER CLOSE CALLS:** The A's lost to Chicago 4-3 in 13 innings Wednesday to fall to 3-10 (.231) in extra inning games...that is the second worst record in the majors (Pittsburgh, 2-7)...the 10 extra inning losses are the A's most in a season since 1996 when they lost 11 and the Oakland record for lowest winning percentage in extra inning games is .273 (3-8) in 1970...dropped to 14-22 (.389) in one-run games, which is the second worst record in the American League (Kansas City, 13-22)...have not had a losing record in one-run games since 1998 (16-19) and the Oakland record for lowest winning percentage in one-run games is .381 (16-26) in 1980.

**HOME AND AWAY:** The A's have clinched a losing record on the road for the third consecutive season as the loss on Wednesday night in Chicago dropped Oakland to 28-41 (.406) in away games this year...have the fourth worst road record in the American League...are 1-1 on this eight-game road trip to Chicago (1-1), Minnesota (three games) and Texas (three games)...went 4-3 on the last homestand against Kansas City (2-1) and Seattle (2-2) and are 34-36 (.486) at home for the season...are one of four AL teams with a losing record at home.

**STARTING PITCHING:** The A's have started a rookie pitcher in 100 games this year, which is an on-going Oakland record...the previous mark was 93 set by the 1983 club...according to the Elias Sports Bureau, the last team to have more starts by rookie pitchers is the 1998 Florida Marlins (124)...have started a rookie pitcher in 74 of the last 92 games and have had at least four rookies in the rotation since Vin Mazzaro was recalled on June 2...A's starting pitchers are 41-55 with a 4.81 ERA...have the second fewest innings pitched (775.0) in the American League, are tied for the second fewest wins and have the fourth highest ERA...are the only AL team with just one complete game...the Oakland record for fewest complete games is two in 1997 and the record for fewest innings pitched in a non-strike season is 858.2 in 1997.

**OFFENSE:** The A's had their season best streak of seven consecutive games with a home run snapped on Wednesday...have 118 home runs, which is the fewest in the American League and fifth fewest in the majors...are on pace to hit 138 home runs...over the last 20 years, the only A's team to hit fewer than 142 home runs is last years club, which finished with 125...are batting .277 (513 for 1854) since the All-Star Break after hitting .246 before the break...are hitting .258 for the season, matching the highest the team batting average has been outside the first eight games of the season...however, it is the third lowest mark in the AL...rank last in the AL in slugging percentage (.390) and extra base hits (386), have the third fewest runs scored (631), triples (14) and strikeouts (880) and the fourth lowest on-base percentage (.324)...have 449 walks and are on pace for 523 walks for the season...the last time the A's walked fewer than 537 times in a non-strike season was 1985 when they had 508.

**THE THREE SPOT:** Ryan Sweeney started both games of the Chicago series hitting third and went 6 for 11 (.545)...however, the A's number three hitters are batting a combined .220 (121 for 550) for the season, which is the lowest mark in the majors...since 1974, the lowest batting average by a team's number three hitters is .217 by the 1976 Montreal Expos.

**DEFENSIVE DOINGS:** The A's committed two errors on Wednesday and now have 84 for the season...are on pace to commit 98 errors...have made fewer than 100 errors in each of the previous five seasons, which equals the longest such streak in Major League history (Philadelphia, 2001-05).

**MONTH BY MONTH:** The A's finished have finished with a losing record in each of the first five months of the season, the first time they have done that since 1993...the only time in Oakland history the A's had a losing record in all six months was in 1979...in the majors, only Baltimore and Washington have finished with a losing record in all five months this year...have not had a winning record in a month since last June (16-10) and the eight consecutive months without a winning record equals the second longest streak in Oakland history...also had eight straight at .500 or less from August, 1978 to September, 1979...the longest streak is 10 in a row from August, 1996 to May, 1998.

**THE DISABLED LIST:** The A's have used the disabled list 16 times this year and 63 times since the start of the 2007 season...the 16 players have combined to miss 833 games, an average of 52.1 games per stint...currently have six players on the DL and for the third consecutive season will have at least three players on the DL for the entire season...have not had fewer than three players on the DL since the end of the 2006 season when they had just one.

### A's vs. TWINS

The A's lead the season series, 4-3...all seven games have been in Oakland as the A's make their first visit to Minnesota since August 18-20 of last year...the A's have not won a season series since 2005 (have two losses and a split) and are 15-19 against Minnesota since 2006...are 13-8 in Oakland over that span and 2-11 in Minnesota...since moving to Oakland in 1968, the A's are 264-274 against the Twins...that includes 149-120 in Oakland and 115-154 in Minnesota...including 69-85 at the Metrodome...all-time, the A's are 968-979 against the Twins/Senators.

### TODAY'S TIDBITS

The A's used eight pitchers Wednesday night in Chicago, the seventh time in Oakland history they used eight or more pitchers in a game...the record is nine on September 20, 1997 in a 15-inning game against Seattle.

**Andrew Bailey** recorded his 23<sup>rd</sup> save of the season on Sunday, tying the Oakland rookie record set by Huston Street in 2005...has now converted each of his last 18 save opportunities, which also ties the Oakland rookie record set by Street...leads ML rookies and ranks ninth among all AL pitchers in saves.

### THIS DATE IN A's HISTORY

On **September 11, 1912** Eddie Collins steals six bases in the A's 9-7 win over Detroit, an AL record that he would match 11 days later...on **September 11, 1936** Hod Lisenbee ties a ML record by allowing 26 hits in a 17-2 loss to Chicago...on **September 11, 1976** Mike Torrez tosses his club record third consecutive shutout, a six-hit, 1-0 win at Texas...the streak is part of a string of 38.1 consecutive scoreless innings...on **September 11, 1999** Doug Jones records the final out of the A's 5-4 victory at Tampa Bay to become the 11<sup>th</sup> pitcher in ML history to record 300 saves...on **September 11, 2006** Frank Thomas homers in his sixth consecutive game to set an Athletics record for consecutive games with a home run.

### PITCHING PROBABLES

Sat., Sept. 12 at MIN	LHP Brett Anderson (8-10, 4.45) vs. RHP Jeff Manship (0-0, 4.41)	10:10 CSNCA
Sun., Sept. 13 at MIN	LHP Gio Gonzalez (5-5, 5.76) vs. LHP Brian Duensing (2-1, 3.94)	11:10 CSNCA

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AMERICAN LEAGUE CHAMPIONS...1902 • 1905 • 1910 • 1911 • 1913 • 1914 • 1929 • 1930 • 1931 • 1972 • 1973 • 1974 • 1988 • 1989 • 1990

# TODAY'S STARTING PITCHER: Clayton Mortensen (0-2, 9.82 ERA in AL)

## MORTENSEN BY THE NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2009	0	1	9.00	3	14.0	14
2008	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Career	0	1	9.00	3	14.0	14
Home	0	1	5.40	2	10.0	6
Road	0	1	18.00	1	4.0	8
Day	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Night	0	2	9.00	3	14.0	14
Pre-ASB	0	0	6.00	1	3.0	2
Post-ASB	0	2	9.82	2	11.0	12
			AVG.	AB	H	
vs. LHH			.286	21	6	
vs. RHH			.371	35	13	

## RUN SUPPORT

Mortensen (as starter)	Runs Scored	Times
0	0	0
1	0	0
2	0	0
3	2	2
4	0	0
5	0	0
6	0	0
7	0	0
8	0	0
9	0	0
10	0	0
Run Support Avg.	4.91	

## MORTENSEN vs. MINNESOTA

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2009	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
2008	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Career	0	0	---	0	0.0	0

### Mortensen's Starts vs. Minnesota

DATE	H/A	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Has never started against Minnesota								

### Minnesota Career Batting vs. Mortensen

	AVG.	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Has no match-ups						

## MORTENSEN'S CAREER HIGHS

Low Hit CG:	None
IP:	7.0, 9/4/09 vs. SEA
Fewest IP, GS:	4.0, 8/8/09 at KC
H:	8, 8/8/09 at KC
R:	8, 8/8/09 at KC
ER:	8, 8/8/09 at KC
BB:	3 (twice), last: 9/4/09 vs. SEA
SO:	5, 8/8/09 at KC
HR:	2, 8/8/09 at KC
Win Streak:	---
Loss Streak:	2, 8/8/09 at KC
Scoreless Streak:	5.0, 4/4/09 to present
Complete Games:	None
Shutouts:	None

**FOR STARTERS:** Is scheduled to make his fourth appearance and third start of the season and his career...it is his third appearance and start with the A's and Oakland is 0-2 in his starting assignments...is in just his third professional season.

**BRIEFLY:** Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento September 4 for his second stint with the A's this year and started at lost that night against Seattle for an injured Vin Mazzaro...began the season with Triple-A Memphis before earning a promotion to St. Louis on June 29...pitched just once and was optioned back to Memphis on July 1 before being dealt to Oakland in the Matt Holliday trade July 24...was assigned to Sacramento and had no decisions and a 1.64 ERA in two starts before he was brought up to Oakland August 8...started and lost that day at Kansas City and was optioned back to Sacramento the next day.

**TRADE:** Was acquired from the St. Louis Cardinals in the Matt Holliday trade...was sent to Oakland along with Brett Wallace and Shane Peterson on July 24 and was assigned to Triple-A Sacramento...was originally selected by St. Louis as a supplemental pick following the first round of the 2007 First-Year Player Draft (36<sup>th</sup> selection overall)...was rated as the Cardinals sixth best prospect by *Baseball America* following the 2008 season after being rated number seven after the 2007 season.

**WITH ST. LOUIS:** Began the season at Triple-A Memphis in the Cardinals organization, but was promoted to St. Louis on June 29...pitched the final three innings of St. Louis' 10-0 loss to San Francisco that day...allowed six runs, two earned, on five hits and a walk while striking out two, and was optioned back to Memphis on July 1 after appearing in just one game (6.00 ERA).

**FIRST START:** He was the losing pitcher in the A's 12-6 loss at Kansas City on August 8...the A's scored three times in the second but he allowed two runs in the third on a DeJesus RBI double and a Butler sacrifice fly...then allowed four runs in the fourth on a two-run home run by Jacobs, a solo home run by Olivo and a DeJesus sacrifice fly...put the first two runners on base in the fifth inning and was relieved by Edgar Gonzalez, who allowed both runs to score.

**LAST START:** He was the losing pitcher in the A's 6-3 loss to Seattle a week ago today in Oakland...tossed seven innings and allowed four runs, all in the second inning...retired each of the first five batters he faced before the next six batters reached base on four hits and two walks...Wilson had a two-run single and Suzuki and Gutierrez followed with RBI singles...he then retired 16 of the final 20 batters that he faced.

**MORTENSEN vs. MINNESOTA:** Is making his first career appearance.

**IN THE MINORS:** Was 7-6 with a 4.37 ERA in 17 starts with Memphis before he was dealt to the A's organization on July 24...had no decisions and a 1.64 ERA in two starts with Sacramento before his promotion to Oakland on August 8 and then went 2-2 with a 5.91 ERA in four starts following his option...was 2-2 with a 4.45 ERA in six starts overall with the River Cats and combined for a 9-8 mark and a 4.39 ERA in 23 minor league starts overall...his teams were 12-11 (.522) in his starting assignments...tossed six or more innings in 15 of his 23 starts, including one nine-inning complete game on June 7 against New Orleans...allowed two runs or fewer 11 times and walked two batters or fewer 13 times.

**OPPONENTS BATTING:** Allowed a .271 opponents batting average, which included a .273 (75 for 275) mark against right-handed hitters and .270 (68 for 252) against left-handers...held the opposition to a .221 (30 for 136) average with runners in scoring position, including .190 (11 for 58) with RISP and two outs...allowed just 13 home runs in 137.1 innings, an average of 0.85 per nine innings.

**2009 MINOR LEAGUE HIGHLIGHTS:** Allowed just one earned run in each of his first five starts at Memphis, going 2-1 with a 1.44 ERA...then lost each of his next two starts, allowing six runs in 6.0 innings on May 10 at Iowa and 7 runs in 5.0 innings on May 15 against Las Vegas...followed that with a season best four-game winning streak from May 22-June 7...compiled a 2.39 ERA during the winning streak...capped the streak on June 7 against New Orleans when he tossed a complete game six-hitter in the Redbirds 12-1 win...did not walk a batter and struck out a season high eight...allowed a season high nine runs in 3.1 innings in a loss on June 18 at Iowa...was 7-4 with a 4.24 ERA in 14 starts when he was promoted to St. Louis on June 29...went 0-2 with a 4.95 ERA in three starts following his option on July 1 and before his trade to the A's organization...allowed just one run in each of his first two starts with the River Cats but had a no decision in each outing...allowed nine hits and walked seven in 11.0 innings...tossed 7.0 innings in two of his four outings following his option, picking up the win each of those games.

## MORTENSEN'S 2009 APPEARANCES

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#PIT	
WITH ST. LOUIS													
*June 29	SF	0-10	--	6.00	3.0	5	6	2	1	2	1	50	
<b>June Totals (1 G, 0 GS)</b>				<b>0-0</b>	<b>6.00</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>50</b>
WITH OAKLAND													
Aug. 8	at KC	6-12	L	12.86	4.0	8	8	8	3	5	2	95	
<b>August Totals (1 G, 1 GS)</b>				<b>0-1</b>	<b>18.00</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	
Sept. 4	SEA	3-6	L	9.00	7.0	6	4	4	3	1	0	100	
<i>*indicates relief appearance. ERA is combined ERA in NL and AL</i>													

## MORTENSEN'S 2009 MINOR LEAGUE STARTS

Date	Opponent	Score	Dec	ERA*	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#PIT
MEMPHIS												
April 14	New Orleans	8-3	W	1.80	5.0	2	2	1	3	4	0	89
April 19	at Okla. City	0-6	L	1.50	7.0	6	2	1	3	5	0	99
April 24	Nashville	2-1	--	1.47	6.1	2	1	1	5	3	0	102
April 30	Iowa	4-3	W	1.48	6.0	5	3	1	1	4	0	95
<b>April Totals (4 G, 4 GS)</b>				<b>2-1</b>	<b>1.48</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>
May 5	at Omaha	1-2	--	1.44	7.0	2	1	1	3	7	1	103
May 10	at Iowa	2-9	L	2.65	6.0	9	6	6	1	4	2	97
May 15	Las Vegas	1-8	L	3.83	5.0	9	7	7	0	3	3	71
May 22	at Tacoma	6-4	W	3.59	5.1	2	2	1	3	4	0	84
May 28	at Portland	8-2	W	3.35	6.0	9	1	1	2	4	0	104
<b>May Totals (5 G, 5 GS)</b>				<b>2-2</b>	<b>4.91</b>	<b>29.1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>
June 2	at Okla. City	8-4	W	3.62	6.0	5	4	4	2	2	1	87
June 7	New Orleans	12-1	W	3.28	9.0	6	1	1	0	8	0	98
June 13	at Nashville	3-4 (10)	--	3.38	6.0	7	3	3	4	6	1	97
June 18	at Iowa	3-9	L	4.15	3.1	8	9	8	4	4	0	76
June 24	Omaha	7-6	W	4.24	7.0	7	4	4	0	6	1	95
<b>June Totals (5 G, 5 GS)</b>				<b>3-1</b>	<b>5.74</b>	<b>31.1</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>3</b>
July 5	Round Rock	4-2	--	4.11	7.0	6	2	2	1	8	1	107
July 11	Albuquerque	2-7	L	4.09	7.0	7	3	3	2	5	0	99
July 20	Nashville	6-7	L	4.37	6.0	11	7	6	0	5	1	106
<b>MEM TOTALS (17 G, 17 GS)</b>				<b>7-6</b>	<b>4.37</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>11</b>
SACRAMENTO												
July 27	at Col. Spr.	2-3 (7)	--	1.59	5.2	4	1	1	4	0	0	86
<b>July Totals (4 G, 4 GS)</b>				<b>0-2</b>	<b>4.21</b>	<b>25.2</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>
Aug. 2	at Portland	2-1	--	1.64	5.1	5	1	1	3	5	0	102
Aug. 14	at Memphis	4-7	L	3.86	3.0	9	6	4	1	1	1	84
Aug. 19	at Nashville	11-1	W	3.00	7.0	3	1	1	2	7	0	96
Aug. 24	Portland	4-7	L	4.62	4.1	8	6	6	3	2	1	102
Aug. 29	Fresno	9-5	W	4.45	7.0	11	5	3	1	3	0	103
<b>August Totals (5 G, 5 GS)</b>				<b>2-2</b>	<b>5.05</b>	<b>26.2</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>SAC TOTALS (6 G, 6 GS)</b>				<b>2-2</b>	<b>4.45</b>	<b>32.1</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>MINORS (23 G, 23 GS)</b>				<b>9-8</b>	<b>4.39</b>	<b>137.1</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>13</b>
<i>*indicates ERA with each team</i>												

## TOMORROW'S PROBABLE STARTING PITCHER

**LHP Brett Anderson (8-10, 4.45 ERA):** Is scheduled to make his 27<sup>th</sup> start of the season and his career...is 5-3 with a 3.38 ERA, .232 opponents batting average and six home runs over his last 13 starts after going 3-7 with a 5.74 ERA, .304 opponents batting average and 13 home runs over his first 13 starts...has received run support of two runs or less in 13 of his 26 starts and his season run support of 4.51 is ninth lowest in the American League...leads Major League rookies with 125 strikeouts, which is the third best rookie total in Oakland history...is tied for second among AL rookies in starts (26), ranks third in innings pitched (151.2) and tied for seventh in wins (8)...his 27 starts are fourth in Oakland history and tied for sixth in Athletics history by a pitcher under the age of 22...his wins are tied for fourth most in Oakland history by a 21-year old...was the winning pitcher in his last start, a 9-5 A's win over Seattle last Saturday in Oakland (5.0 ip, 7 h, 3 r, 3 er, 2 bb, 6 so)...was the losing pitcher in his only career start against Minnesota, a 10-5 loss on June 9 in Oakland (5.2 ip, 10 h, 5 r, 5 er, 1 bb, 5 so).

## ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

**21-22, 3.67 ERA (470.1 ip, 441 h, 211 r, 192 er, 168 bb, 413 so, 39 hr)**

**Save/Save Opportunities: 33/45 (73.3%)**

The A's bullpen tossed 9.1 innings on Wednesday, their most innings in a game since pitching 10.0 innings in June 17, 2006 against Los Angeles (NL) in a 17-inning game...the pen has allowed just one run in the last three games (15.0 ip, 0.60 ERA) and now has a 3.67 ERA for the season, which is second lowest in the AL...also ranks second with 413 strikeouts, which is four short of the Oakland record for strikeouts by the bullpen set last year (417)...has the fewest home runs (39), ranks second in innings pitched (470.1), third in fewest walks (168) and fourth in save percentage (73.3%)...has allowed 73 of 199 (36.7%) inherited runners to score, which is the fourth highest percentage in the AL...is tied for the AL lead in first batter strikeouts (91) and has issued the third fewest first batter walks (24)...has a 2.88 ERA (75 er in 234.2 ip), 12 home runs allowed and 66 walks issued in Oakland compared to a 4.47 ERA (117 er in 235.2 ip), 27 home runs allowed and 102 walks issued on the road...has a 2.78 ERA (10 er in 32.1 ip) in September...had a 2.81 ERA in August, 4.09 in July, 3.52 in June, 5.29 in May and 2.62 ERA in April.

**40 RHP ANDREW BAILEY**

**Save/Opportunities: 23-27**

**Last Outing: 9/6 vs. Seattle (S, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so)**

**Inherited Runners/Scored: 23/8**

**First Hitters: 8-55 (4 bb, 16 so)**

- Recorded his 23<sup>rd</sup> save of the season last Sunday, tying the Oakland rookie record for saves set by Huston Street in 2005...leads Major League rookies and ranks ninth among all American League pitchers in saves.
- Has converted each of his last 18 save opportunities dating back to June 17 and is 2-2 with a 1.62 ERA (33.1 ip, 23 h, 6 r, 6 er, 6 bb, 31 so, 2 hr) over that 29-game span...the 18 consecutive saves equal the Oakland rookie record set by Street.
- Ranks second among AL relievers in strikeouts (79), third in innings pitched (74.1), fourth in ERA (2.06), tied for fourth in wins (6) and fifth in opponents batting average (.181).
- Has retired each of his last 14 first batters faced and they are hitting .145 (8 for 55) for the season, which is seventh lowest in the AL.
- Has not walked a batter over his last 16 games and 16.2 innings.
- Ranks second among AL rookies in games pitched (59) and ninth in strikeouts (79)...only four rookies in Oakland history have pitched at least 60 games in a season (Small, 71 in 1997; Street, 67 in 2005; Lacey, 64 in 1977; Fingers, 60 in 1969).
- Has a save and two losses in three outings in three outings against Minnesota this year (4.0 ip, 5 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 2 so).
- Has allowed just one run (15.1 ip, 0.59 ERA) and has converted 10 of 11 save opportunities in 13 outings on no days rest.
- Had his 12.1-inning scoreless streak snapped in the ninth inning last Saturday night when he allowed a two-run homer to Jose Lopez...it was the first home run he allowed to a right-handed hitter this year...his longest scoreless streak this year was 15.1 innings from June 14-July 17.
- Was named the AL Rookie of the Month for the month of August...was the sixth Oakland rookie to be named to the AL All-Star team but did not pitch in the game...was the only rookie named to either All-Star team this year.
- Spent the entire 2008 season at Double-A Midland...began the season in the starting rotation and went 1-8 with a 6.18 ERA and .258 opponents batting average in his 15 starts...then went 4-1 with a 0.92 ERA and .207 opponents average over his final 22 appearances, all in relief.

### MOST SAVES, OAKLAND ROOKIE

23	Andrew Bailey, 2009
23	Huston Street, 2005
12	Rollie Fingers, 1969
11	Brad Ziegler, 2008
8	Steve Ontiveros, 1985

**13 LHP JERRY BLEVINS**

**Save/Opportunities: 0-0**

**Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 0.2 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)**

**Inherited Runners/Scored: 2/0**

**First Hitters: 2-8 (1 bb, 3 so)**

- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento September 1 for his third stint with the A's and has not allowed a run in four outings since his return (4.2 ip, 3 h, 4 so).
- Was on the Opening Day roster and posted a 54.00 ERA (0.2 ip, 2 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 1 hr) in two appearances before he was optioned to Sacramento on April 18...recalled for a second time on May 4 and made three appearances (3.2 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 3 so, 4.91 ERA) before he was optioned May 15.
- Has not faced the Twins this year...has not allowed a run in two career outings against Minnesota (2.0 ip, 2 bb, 2 so).
- Allowed a .271 batting average with Sacramento, including .263 against right-handers and .286 against lefties...yielded five home runs in 63.1 innings...his complete statistics with Sacramento this year:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Sacramento	5	3	3.84	45	0	0	0	2	63.1	65	28	27	18	62

- Spent the first three months of the 2008 season at Triple-A Sacramento where he was 2-2 with a 2.78 ERA and 10 saves in 28 games...was promoted to Oakland on July 4 and spent the remainder of the season with the A's, going 1-3 with a 3.11 ERA in 36 relief appearances.

**56 LHP CRAIG BRESLOW**

**Save/Opportunities: 0-2**

**Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 0 so)**

**Inherited Runners/Scored: 45/10**

**First Hitters: 17-56 (11 bb, 13 so, 2 sh)**

- Has compiled a 1.69 ERA (16.0 ip, 12 h, 6 r, 3 er, 3 bb, 15 so) over his last 14 games and has allowed one of eight inherited runners to score.
- Leads the American League and is tied for fifth in the majors with a career-high 69 games pitched...also ranks first among AL relievers in losses (7), tied for fourth in wins (6), tied for seventh in percentage of inherited runners scored (22.2%) and 10<sup>th</sup> in opponents batting average (.197).
- Has allowed a .136 (8 for 59) opponents batting average with runners in scoring position.
- First batters faced are 13 for their last 35 (.371) with six walks...is tied for the lead among AL relievers in first batter walks (11) and grounded into double plays (4) and is tied for second in home runs (4).
- Has a win in three outings against the Twins this year (2.0 ip, 1 h, 2 bb) and has not allowed a run in four career outings against Minnesota (2.1 ip, 3 h, 2 bb).
- Was claimed off waivers from Minnesota on May 20 and is 5-5 with a 3.00 ERA (15 er in 45.0 ip) in 52 outings with the A's...was 1-2 with a 6.28 ERA in 17 appearances with the Twins (14.1 ip, 11 h, 11 r, 10 er, 11 bb, 11 so).
- Posted a combined 0-2 record and a 1.91 ERA for Cleveland and Minnesota last season and his ERA ranked second lowest among AL left-handed relievers with a minimum of 35.0 innings pitched...it was ninth-best in the AL for all pitchers with at least 40.0 ip.

**44 RHP SANTIAGO CASILLA**

**Save/Opportunities: 0-0**

**Last Outing: 8/30 at Los Angeles (ND, 0.1 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 0 so)**

**Inherited Runners/Scored: 19/15**

**First Hitters: 10-36 (4 bb, 4 so, 1 sh, 1 hbp)**

- Has not pitched in the last nine games and has appeared in just two of the A's last 20 games.
- Has allowed one run in four of his last five games (4.2 ip, 9 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 1 so, 7.71 ERA) and has allowed all six of his inherited runners to score over that span.
- His 5.80 ERA is second highest among American League relievers (Cruz, KC 6.17).
- First batters faced are 5 for their last 11 with three doubles, a hit by pitch and three walks, one intentional.
- Has faced Minnesota twice this year (2.0 ip, 6 h, 6 r, 5 er, 4 bb, 2 so) and has a 6.28 ERA (10 er in 14.1 ip) in 10 career outings against the Twins.
- Has a 2.96 ERA (8 er in 24.1 ip) in 19 outings on one day rest or less and a 9.15 ERA (21 er in 20.2 ip) in 23 outings on two days rest or more.
- Was on the 15-day disabled list from April 29 to May 14 with a sprained right knee...made two rehab appearances before he was reinstated...has a 7.22 ERA (27 er in 33.2 ip) in 33 games since his return...posted a 1.59 ERA in nine games before going on DL.
- Was 2-1 with two saves and a 3.93 ERA in a career high 51 appearances last year...had a 0.93 ERA and .185 opponents batting average in 21 games before he was placed on the 15-day DL on May 16...posted a 5.81 ERA and .353 opponents batting average over his final 30 games.

**30 LHP DANA EVELAND**

**Save/Opportunities: 0-0**

**Last Outing: 9/2 vs. Kansas City (ND, 1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 0 bb, 1 so)**

**Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0**

**First Hitters: 1-2 (0 bb, 0 so)**

- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento September 1 for his third stint with the A's this year and has pitched once since his return (1.0 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 so).
- Has made one career appearance against Minnesota, a start and no decision on August 28 of last year (7.0 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 3 bb, 2 so).
- Was on the A's Opening Day roster and went 1-2 with a 7.40 ERA in six games, five starts, before he was optioned to Sacramento on May 5...was recalled again July 6 and started and lost the next night at Boston (2.2 ip, 6 h, 4 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 2 so)...was sent back to Sacramento following the game.
- Allowed a .273 batting average at Sacramento, which included a .270 mark against left-handed hitters and .274 against righties...yielded 12 home runs in 124.0 innings...was 0-4 with a 7.88 ERA over his final five starts but struck out 32 batters in 32.0 innings...his complete statistics with Sacramento this year:

	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Sacramento	8	6	4.94	21	21	0	0	0	124.0	133	79	68	51	92

- With the exception of a 2½ week stay at Triple-A Sacramento in August, he spent the entire 2008 season in the A's starting rotation...was 9-9 with a 4.34 ERA in 29 games, all starts...his ERA and .269 opponents batting average were the lowest of his four seasons in the majors.

**60 RHP JEFF GRAY** Save/Opportunities: 0-0 Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 1.1 ip, 2 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)  
**Inherited Runners/Scored: 5/2** First Hitters: 3-15 (1 bb, 5 so)

- Has allowed three runs and three walks over his last four outings (5.1 ip, 5.06 ERA) after issuing no walks and allowing one earned run over his first 12 games and 13.1 innings (0.68 ERA).
- Has never faced the Twins in his career.
- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento on August 6 for his fourth stint with the A's and has pitched 13 times since his return (17.0 ip, 16 h, 5 r, 4 er, 3 bb, 12 so, 1 hr, 2.12 ERA).
- Made one appearance during each of his first three stints from May 9 to 13, May 27 to 29 and July 8 to 10 and retired all five batters he faced.
- Was 2-2 with a 1.54 ERA in 37 relief appearances with Sacramento...converted 16 of 17 (94.1%) save opportunities...did not allow a run or walk a batter in eight outings following his last option on July 11 (9.1 ip, 7 h, 6 so)...allowed a .200 batting average overall.
- Spent the first five months of the 2008 season at Triple-A Sacramento where he was 2-7 with a 4.39 ERA and four saves in 54 games...was promoted to Oakland on September 5 and spent the remainder of the season with the A's...had a 7.71 ERA in five games with Oakland.

**39 LHP BRAD KILBY** Save/Opportunities: 0-0 Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 1.2 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 1 so)  
**Inherited Runners/Scored: 0/0** First Hitters: 0-3 (0 bb, 1 so)

- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento September 1 and has pitched three times (4.2 ip, 2 h, 1 b, 5 so).
  - Made his Major League debut September 2 against Kansas City and tossed 2.0 innings...recorded his first strikeout (David DeJesus).
  - Was originally drafted by the A's in the 29<sup>th</sup> round of the 2005 First-Year Player Draft out of San Jose State University...compiled a 21-8 record with 30 saves and a 2.53 ERA in 222 career minor league appearances over five seasons...struck out 339, an average of 10.3 per nine innings.
  - Allowed a .179 opponents batting average with Sacramento, which broke down to .150 against right-handed hitters and .234 against left-handers...did not allow a run in 16 of his last 19 outings (3 er in 29.1 ip, 0.92 ERA)...allowed five home runs over a four-game stretch from May 30 to June 5 (5.1 ip) but none over his final 30 games and 42.2 innings...his complete stats with Sacramento this year:
- |            | W | L | ERA  | G  | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP   | H  | R  | ER | BB | SO |
|------------|---|---|------|----|----|----|-----|----|------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Sacramento | 4 | 2 | 2.13 | 45 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 2  | 63.1 | 40 | 15 | 15 | 24 | 77 |
- Spent the entire 2008 season at Triple-A Sacramento and was 7-2 with two saves a 3.47 ERA in 51 appearances, all in relief.

**52 LHP JAY MARSHALL** Save/Opportunities: 0-0 Last Outing: 9/1 vs. Kansas City (L, 0.0 ip, 2 h, 2 r, 2 er, 0 bb, 0 so)  
**Inherited Runners/Scored: 7/0** First Hitters: 2-8 (0 bb, 0 so, 2 sh)

- Has allowed a hit to each of the last seven batters he has faced, which is one short of the Oakland record of eight set by Russ Springer earlier this year from May 20-27.
  - Has yielded eight runs in his last three outings (2.0 ip, 8 h, 36.00 ERA) after not allowing a run in six of his first seven outings (6.75 ERA).
  - Has not walked a batter in 7.1 innings but has struck out just one.
  - Has not allowed a run in three career outings against Minnesota, all in 2007 (1.0 ip, 1 h, 2 bb, 1 so).
  - Was selected from Triple-A Sacramento on August 9 and has appeared in 10 games.
  - Was leading the Pacific Coast League in appearances (50) at the time of his promotion...had a 1.69 ERA in 40 appearances before the Triple-A All-Star Break and a 11.25 ERA in 10 outings since the break...yielded just two home runs in 50.2 innings...allowed a .280 batting average, including .179 (15 for 84) against left-handed hitters and .362 (38 for 105) against right-handers...his complete stats with Sacramento this year:
- |            | W | L | ERA  | G  | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP   | H  | R  | ER | BB | SO |
|------------|---|---|------|----|----|----|-----|----|------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Sacramento | 5 | 3 | 3.20 | 50 | 0  | 0  | 0   | 7  | 50.2 | 53 | 23 | 18 | 15 | 30 |
- Split the 2008 season between Double-A Midland and Triple-A Sacramento and combined for a 4-6 record, three saves and a 3.71 ERA in 57 relief appearances...had a 0.84 ERA in 20 outings with the Rockhounds and a 6.16 ERA in 37 relief appearances with the River Cats.

**48 RHP MICHAEL WUERTZ** Save/Opportunities: 3-5 Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 2.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)  
**Inherited Runners/Scored: 36/8** First Hitters: 10-62 (3 bb, 22 so)

- Has allowed three earned runs over his last 17 outings (19.0 ip, 1.42 ERA) after allowing six over his previous four outings (3.2 ip, 14.73 ERA).
- Has struck out 57 batters over his last 33 games and 38.1 innings (13.4 strikeouts per nine innings)...leads American League relievers and ranks second in the majors with 87 strikeouts (Broxton LAD, 102)...his career high is 89 in 2005.
- Is tied for third among AL relievers in games (65), tied for fourth in wins (6) and tied for seventh in innings pitched (69.0) and percentage of inherited runners scored (22.2%).
- First batters faced are 0 for their last 22 with two walks and 11 strikeouts...has 22 first batter strikeouts for the season, which is tied for the most among Major League relievers.
- Has a save and a blown save in four outings against Minnesota in his career, all this year (3.1 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 7 so).
- Has not allowed a run in 27 of his 30 outings at home and has a 1.10 ERA (4 er in 32.2 ip) and .138 (15 for 109) opponents batting average in Oakland...has a 4.71 ERA (19 er in 36.1 ip) and .255 (35 for 137) opponents average with four of his six home runs allowed on the road.
- Was acquired by the A's from the Chicago Cubs on February 2 after spending his entire 11-year professional career in the Chicago (NL) organization...split the 2008 campaign between the Cubs and Triple-A Iowa, compiling a 1-1 record and a 3.63 ERA in 45 big league outings.

**31 RHP BRAD ZIEGLER** Save/Opportunities: 6-9 Last Outing: 9/9 at Chicago (ND, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 2 so)  
**Inherited Runners/Scored: 28/11** First Hitters: 16-56 (2 bb, hbp, 12 so)

- Has compiled a 2.12 ERA (8 er in 34.0 ip) and allowed 3 of 18 (16.7%) inherited runners to score over his last 33 outings (since June 20), after posting a 3.99 ERA and allowing 8 of 10 (80.0%) inherited runners to score over his first 26 contests.
- Opponents are 6 for 30 (.200) with runners in scoring position since June 20 but they are hitting .391 (25 for 64) for the season.
- Opponents have grounded into 13 double plays, which is the most among American League relievers and second most in the majors (Affeldt, SF 16).
- Has a win in three appearances against Minnesota this year and has not allowed a run (3.2 ip, 3 h, 1 bb, 2 so).
- Made his Major League debut with the A's last year and began his career with a 39.0 inning scoreless streak, which set three records and tied another...finished with a 1.06 ERA, which was the lowest among ML relievers and second lowest in Athletics history (min. 50.0 ip, since 1913).

## ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

**10 DARIC BARTON** Career vs. Blackburn (.167, 2-12, 1 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 5  
**Chicago Series: 2-9, 2 r, bb, 3 so** Last Homestand: 5-21, 4 r, 2b, hr, 3 rbi, 3 bb, 4 so

- Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list August 21 and is 14 for 54 (.259) in 16 games, all starts at first base, since his return.
- Is 2 for 9 on the trip but is batting .294 (10 for 34) on the road compared to .167 (9 for 54) in Oakland.
- Is 1 for 19 against Minnesota this year but the one hit was a home run...has a .118 (6 for 51) career average against the Twins and is 0 for 10 at the Metrodome.
- Was placed on the 15-day disabled list July 28 retroactive to July 27 with a strained left hamstring...it was his second career stint on the DL...hit .227 with a home run, three RBI and six walks during a seven-game rehab assignment with the A's affiliate in the Arizona Rookie League and Single-A Stockton.
- Hit .118 in 12 games during his first stint with Oakland from June 8 to 27...recalled for a second time on July 20 and hit .176 with a home run and two RBI in five games before going on the DL...hit .261 with nine home runs, 48 RBI and 45 walks in 70 games with Sacramento.
- Struggled in his first full season with the A's in 2008 as he batted .226 with nine home runs and 47 RBI in 140 games...the average was third lowest in the American League and seventh lowest in Oakland history...led AL rookies in walks (65) and ranked third in triples (5).

**3 ERIC CHAVEZ** Current Streak: 0 for 15

- Had season-ending microdiscectomy surgery on his back June 23, performed by Dr. Robert Watkins in Los Angeles...it was his fifth surgery since September 5, 2007, the second on his back...has also had three shoulder surgeries.
- Was placed on the 15-day disabled list on May 1 retroactive to April 25 with a strained right forearm...had back spasms on May 10 and an MRI on May 11 revealed a bulging disk in his back...was transferred to the 60-day DL May 19...this is his sixth career stint on the DL, his fourth in the last three years...has appeared in just 121 games over the last three years (8 this year, 23 last year, 90 in 2007).

<b>7 BOBBY CROSBY</b> Chicago Series: DNP	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.286, 2-7, 0 HR, 0 BB, 1 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 0 for 6</b> <b>Last Homestand: 0-3</b>
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- Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list September 2 and went 0 for 3 in a start at first base a week ago today against Seattle in his only game since his return...was placed on the DL August 21 retroactive to August 18 with a strained left calf...it was his seventh career stint on the DL.
- Is 2 for 6 against Minnesota this year but is a .185 (27 for 146) career hitter against the Twins.
- Is 5 for 9 (.556) over his last 12 games in which he did not start and is 10 for 29 (.345) in non-starting assignments for the season.
- Has made 56 starts at four different positions (27 at third base, 23 at first base, four at second base, two at shortstop).
- Has appeared in 53 games at first base, 34 at third base, six at shortstop, five at second base, one in right field and one at designated hitter...is the first Athletic to appear in at least five games at all four infield positions since Ernie Riles in 1991...had never played a position other than shortstop in his professional career prior to this season.
- Played in 145 games in 2008 after appearing in fewer than 100 games in each of the previous three seasons...batted .237, which was seventh lowest in the AL...had a .232 batting average in 334 games over the previous three seasons, which was sixth lowest in the majors.

<b>32 JACK CUST</b> Chicago Series: 2-10, r, 2b, hr, 3 rbi, 3 so	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.417, 5-12, 0 HR, 1 BB, 2 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 0 for 5</b> <b>Last Homestand: 4-16, 3 r, 5 bb, 6 so, cs</b>
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- Is 7 for 38 (.184) over his last 11 games but is batting .311 (19 for 61) with five home runs, 11 RBI and 14 walks (1 sf, .434 on-base percentage) over his last 18 games.
- Ranks second in the American League in strikeouts (155) and seventh in walks (83)...his 155 strikeouts are eighth most in one season in Oakland history...Canseco (1987) is seventh with 157...has led the AL in strikeouts in each of the previous two seasons and the last player to lead the AL in strikeouts in three consecutive seasons is Minnesota's Bobby Darwin (1972-74).
- Hit a three-run home run Tuesday night in Chicago and 11 of his 21 home runs have come with runners on base (six two-run, four three-run, one grand slam)...18 have come off right-handed pitching, as have 67 of his 85 career home runs...nine have given Oakland the lead and 13 have come at home.
- Is 15 for 78 (.192) off left-handed pitching since June 1 after hitting .268 (15 for 56) off southpaws the first two months of the season.
- Did not walk or strike out on Saturday after walking or striking out at least once in 45 consecutive games from July 16-September 3.
- Led the A's in home runs (33), RBI (77), walks (111), strikeouts (197), on-base percentage (.375) and slugging percentage (.476) for the second consecutive season in 2008 and currently leads the A's in home runs, walks and strikeouts this year.

<b>11 RAJAI DAVIS</b> Chicago Series: 6-12, 4 r, 2b, rbi, so, 3 sb, cs, gidp	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.167, 1-6, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 4 games (9 for 20)</b> <b>Last Homestand: 10-26, 6 r, 2 2b, hr, 5 rbi, 3 bb, 2 hbp, 6 so, sf, 2 sb, gidp</b>
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- Had his third two-steal game of the season on Wednesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> of his career...now has a career high 34 stolen bases for the season, which ranks fifth in the American League...is the 16<sup>th</sup> player (39<sup>th</sup> time) in Oakland history with 30 steals in a season, the first since Rickey Henderson had 66 in 1998...is the first Athletic with back-to-back 20-steal seasons since Rickey Henderson and Stan Javier both did it in 1994 and 1995 (Henderson did it seven straight years from 1989-95).
- Went 3 for 6 in both games of the Chicago series and is just the second player in Oakland history to go 3 for 6 in back-to-back games (Ben Grieve, May 3-5, 2000)...now has 28 multiple hit games, but just three three-hit games.
- Is 21 for 52 (.404) with eight multiple hit games, eight RBI and 12 runs scored over his last 12 games...that has lifted his average to a season high .307...this is fourth day this year his average has been .300 or better.
- Is batting .339 (60 for 177) with 32 runs, 15 doubles, three triples, one home run, 29 RBI and a Major League leading 23 stolen bases in 48 games since the All-Star Break...ranks eighth in the AL in batting average since the break and is tied for ninth in doubles.
- Is 7 for 18 (.389) with six RBI in five games against Minnesota this year and has hit safely in all five games...is a .318 (14 for 44) career hitter against the Twins.
- Is hitting .333 (83 for 249) over his last 76 games (since June 3) after hitting .146 over his first 26 games.
- Combined for 29 steals in 226 plate appearances with the A's and Giants last year...the steals tied for fourth most in the majors since 1900 among players with 250 or fewer plate appearances.

<b>14 MARK ELLIS</b> Chicago Series: 4-10, r, 2b, hr, 3 rbi, so, sb, cs	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.500, 3-6, 1 HR, 1 BB, 0 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 4 games (7 for 18)</b> <b>Last Homestand: 7-25, 2 r, 2 2b, 5 rbi, 2 bb, 4 so, sf, sb, gidp</b>
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- Is batting .340 (50 for 147) with 28 RBI over his last 40 games after hitting .219 with 22 RBI over his first 43 contests.
- Is hitting .314 (59 for 188) with 17 doubles since the All-Star Break after hitting .219 before the break...is tied for fifth in the American League in doubles since the break...now has a .284 (445 for 1568) career batting average after the All-Star Break compared to .249 before the break.
- Is batting .317 (63 for 199) at night compared to .202 (19 for 94) during day games.
- Has a .337 (28 for 83) average with runners in scoring position, including .439 (18 for 41) with RISP and two outs.
- Has committed just one error in his last 73 games at second base.
- Is 4 for 13 (.308) against Minnesota this year.
- Hit his 75<sup>th</sup> career home run as a second baseman Tuesday night in Chicago, which is one short of the Athletics franchise record for home runs by a second baseman set by Dick Green.
- Four of his seven home runs this year have been hit in the ninth inning.
- Was placed on the 15-day DL April 29 with a strained left calf and was transferred to the 60-day DL May 20...it was his fourth career stint on the DL...hit .162 with three RBI during a 10-game rehab assignment with Stockton and Sacramento and was reinstated June 28.
- Led Major League second basemen in fielding for the second time in the last three years last year (.993) but batted a career low .233...entered the 2009 season with a .9893 career fielding percentage, which is fourth best in ML history by a second baseman (min. 650 games).

<b>MOST HOME RUNS BY AN A's SECOND BASEMAN (1901-2009)</b>
76 Dick Green
75 Mark Ellis
39 Max Bishop
37 Jimmy Dykes
29 Tony Phillips

<b>5 NOMAR GARCIPARRA</b> Chicago Series: DNP	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (---, 0-0, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 2 games (3 for 8)</b> <b>Last Homestand: 3-9, r, hr, 2 rbi, so</b>
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- Started consecutive games at designated hitter last Friday and Saturday (3 for 8, .375), the first time he has started on consecutive days since May 22-23...has not played since then.
- Has a 12-game hitting streak against Minnesota dating back to August 17, 2002 (17 for 53, .321)...has not played against the Twins since June 27, 2006...is a .345 (78 for 226) career hitter against Minnesota...based on a minimum of 200 plate appearances, that is the fifth best batting average ever against the Twins
- Is 0 for his last 15 with five strikeouts as a pinch hitter and is 4 for 26 (.154) with a double and two RBI in the pinch for the season...is tied for the American League lead in pinch plate appearances (26) and is tied for fifth in pinch hits.
- Hit a two-run home run in the seventh inning a week ago tonight against Seattle to snap a 41-game homerless streak dating back to his last home run on May 23 against Arizona...that was the second longest homerless drought of his career to a 60-game streak from April 17 to June 29, 2007.
- Has had a roller coaster season with his batting average as he hit .231 in April, .333 in May, .222 in June, .324 in July and .231 in August...is 3 for 9 (.333) in three games in September.
- Has made just three starts on defense since the All-Star Break, all at first base and most recently August 25 in Seattle.
- Was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list June 12 and has appeared in 44 of the A's 80 games since then, going 23 for 82 (.280)...has pinch hit 25 times, started at designated hitter 12 times and first base five times, pinch run once and was part of a double switch once.
- Was placed on the DL May 27 retroactive to May 24 with a strained right calf...it was his second stint on the DL this year as he was also out from April 29 to May 21 with the same injury...started at first base on May 22 and 23 vs. Arizona (3 for 9, hr) before returning to the DL.
- Hit .264 with eight home runs, 28 RBI and 24 runs in 55 games with Los Angeles (NL) last year...missed 90 games due to three stints on the disabled list with injuries to his right hand, left calf and left knee...has 14 stints on the DL in his career, including five in the last two seasons.

<b>HIGHEST CAREER BATTING AVERAGE vs. MINNESOTA TWINS (since 1961, min. 200 PA)</b>
1. Mark Teixeira .371
2. Orlando Cabrera .356
3. Will Clark .355
4. Kenny Lofton .347
5. Nomar Garciaparra .345

**12 SCOTT HAIRSTON** Career vs. Blackburn (.333, 1-3, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 3 games (5 for 15)  
**Chicago Series:** 4-11, r, 3 2b, 3 rbi, bb, so, sb Last Homestand: 4-20, 3 r, hr, 5 rbi, 4 so

- Is 13 for 70 (.186) over his last 16 games and is now batting .243 (48 for 198) in 50 games with the A's after hitting .299 in 56 contests with San Diego.
- Has driven in at least one run in each of his last four games (eight RBI total)...that includes a career high tying four RBI last Sunday against Seattle...it was his third four RBI game of the season (last: May 4 vs. Colorado) and the fourth of his career
- Eight of his last 16 RBI have either tied the game or put the A's ahead.
- Is 5 for 13 (.385) with four runs scored, a home run and four RBI in three games against Minnesota this year and is a .391 (9 for 23) career hitter against the Twins.
- Is batting .325 (39 for 120) against left-handed pitching compared to .247 (68 for 275) against righties.
- Has a .304 (28 for 92) batting average with runners in scoring position.
- Has made each of his last 34 starts on defense in left field after making his first 12 starts with the A's in center field.
- Hit his first career grand slam last Sunday against Seattle in the seventh inning off Kelley...it was his 17<sup>th</sup> home run of the season, which matches his career high from last year.
- Has career highs in at bats (395), runs (47), hits (107), doubles (24), RBI (61) and stolen bases (11).
- Was acquired from San Diego on July 5 for minor league pitchers Ryan Webb and Craig Italiano and a player to be named later (Sean Gallagher on July 28)...hit .299 with 10 home runs and 29 RBI in 56 games with the Padres...made 34 starts in center and 14 in right.
- Established career highs in games (112), home runs (17) and walks (28) with San Diego last year...added a .248 batting average and 31 RBI.

**29 ADAM KENNEDY** Career vs. Blackburn (.500, 3-6, 1 HR, 1 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 7  
**Chicago Series:** 2-5, r, bb, so Last Homestand: 11-27, 6 r, 2 2b, 4 rbi, 5 bb, 3 so, gldp

- Went 0 for 6 on Wednesday but is batting .382 (13 for 34) with six runs, six walks and six multiple hit games over his last eight games...now has a team leading 37 multiple hit games for the season, surpassing Suzuki's team leading total of a year ago (36).
- Ranks fifth in the American League in batting with runners in scoring position (.356).
- Has started 61 games at third base and 49 at second base and is the first Athletic to start at least 40 games at two infield positions since Mike Bordick in 1992 (83 at second base, 66 at shortstop)...has started 110 of the A's 112 games since he was selected from Triple-A Sacramento on May 9.
- Has batted leadoff in 76 of the A's last 78 games and is hitting .275 (91 for 331) batting first for the season.
- Eight of his 10 home runs have either tied the game or put the A's ahead...five have come in the sixth inning or later and the A's are 6-3 in games in which he homers.
- Doubled in the third inning a week ago tonight to snap a streak of 18 consecutive games without a base hit.
- Is the second player in Oakland history to have two five-hit games in one season (Sal Bando, 1969)...went 5 for 7 on July 28 at Boston and 5 for 5 on August 15 vs. Chicago...has four games of four or more hits, which is tied for second in the AL (Span, MIN 5).
- Was released by St. Louis on February 9 and signed a minor league contract with Tampa Bay on February 17...began the season at Triple-A Durham and hit .280 with 3 HR and 9 RBI in 23 games before he was traded to Oakland on May 8 for a player to be named later (Joe Dillon).
- Batted .280 in 115 games with St. Louis last year and appeared in 84 games at second base...hit .300 with runners in scoring position.

**28 ERIC MUNSON** Career vs. Blackburn (---, 0-0, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 0  
**Minnesota Series:** 0-0 Road Trip: 0-0

- Was selected from Triple-A Sacramento today and will be making his Oakland debut.
- Has a .157 (21 for 134) career batting average against Minnesota, his lowest against any American League team.
- This is his ninth season in the majors and the A's are his fourth team along with Detroit (2000-04), Tampa Bay (2005) and Houston (2006-07).
- Had a team leading 54 walks with Sacramento...was 2 for 6 (.333) with a home run in the River Cats first two playoff games...hit .283 over his first 75 games and .207 over his final 24...appeared in 73 games at catcher, 21 at designated hitter and five at first base...his complete statistics with Sacramento this year:

	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Sacramento	.265	99	351	50	93	22	2	13	68	54	71	0	1	.450	.362

- Two stints on the disabled list limited him to just 27 games with Triple-A Nashville...hit .165 with a home run and 12 RBI...was on the DL from April 11 to 29 with a strained left hip and May 29 through the end of the season with left shoulder bursitis.

**1 ERIC PATTERSON** Career vs. Blackburn (.167, 1-6, 0 HR, 0 BB, 1 SO) Current Streak: 0 for 9  
**Chicago Series:** 0-0 Last Homestand: 1-10, 3 r, 2b, 2 bb, 4 so

- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento August 28 for his third stint with the A's this year...is 2 for 13 (.154) with two doubles and four runs scored in nine games, four starts (all in left field), since his return.
- His first stint with Oakland came from April 29 through May 3, when he started two games at second base and batted .125 (1 for 8)...then hit .182 (4 for 22) with four RBI and 10 strikeouts in 10 games from July 24 to August 4.
- Set a River Cats' record with 43 stolen bases, breaking the previous mark of 39 by Bo Porter in 2000...at the time of his promotion, he ranked second in the Pacific Coast League in triples and stolen bases, fourth in runs scored and fifth in hits...went 20 for 89 (.225) with 17 RBI in 20 games after being optioned on August 5...appeared in 48 games at second base, 29 in center field, 19 in left field, 10 at third base and one at first base...his complete statistics with the River Cats:

	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
Sacramento	.307	110	466	91	143	29	11	12	56	52	81	43	6	.494	.376

- Was acquired by the A's from Chicago in the Rich Harden trade on July 8, 2008 and hit .174 with eight RBI and eight stolen bases in 30 games over two stints with the A's last year...also hit .237 with the Cubs and combined for a .192 batting average, 1 HR and 15 RBI in 43 games.

**26 CLIFF PENNINGTON** Career vs. Blackburn (---, 0-0, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO) Current Streak: 4 games (8 for 15)  
**Chicago Series:** 4-8, 2b, 2 bb, cs Last Homestand: 5-21, 4 r, 2b, hr, 2 rbi, 6 bb, 7 so, 2 sb, cs, gldp

- Has back-to-back multiple hit games (4 for 8) and is 8 for 15 (.533) with three walks over his last four games...however, is batting .234 (18 for 77) over his last 23 games after hitting .320 over his first 14 contests.
- Is hitting .304 (28 for 92) against right-handed pitching and .171 (6 for 35) against left-handers.
- Committed his first error of the season a week ago tonight in his 33<sup>rd</sup> game...that snapped a 35-game errorless streak at shortstop dating back to last year...the streak equaled the fifth longest by a shortstop in Oakland history and was the longest since Rafael Bournival had a 41-game streak from September 21, 1997 to September 18, 1998.
- Was recalled from Triple-A Sacramento July 31 and has started 37 of the A's 38 games at shortstop since then...this is his first stint with the A's this year.
- Hit .264 with three home runs and 40 RBI in 99 games with Sacramento...ranked fourth in the A's organization in stolen bases (27) at the time of his promotion...batted .323 (31 for 96) against left-handed pitching and .242 (64 for 264) with all three of his home runs against right-handers...appeared in 77 games at shortstop, 16 at second base, three at third base and one in left field.
- Began the 2008 season at Double-A Midland and finished it in Oakland...hit .171 over his first 17 games and .281 over his final 19 for a .242 batting average and no home runs in 36 games overall...made 15 starts at second base, eight at third base and six at shortstop.

**35 LANDON POWELL** Career vs. Blackburn (.000, 0-2, 0 HR, 1 BB, 1 SO) Current Streak: 3 games (4 for 12)  
**Chicago Series:** DNP Last Homestand: 2-8, 2 r, 2 hr, 5 rbi, 3 so

- Has homered in back-to-back games and is 7 for 27 (.259) with four home runs and 10 RBI over his last seven games...four of his six home runs this year have come with runners on base and the A's are 6-0 in games in which he homers.
- Has 28 RBI in 37 games and the RBI are the second best single season total in Oakland history by a player with fewer than 50 games...Rico Carty had 31 RBI in 41 games with the A's in 1978.
- Is hitting .287 (25 for 87) with five of his six home runs and 25 of his 28 RBI against right-handed pitchers and .148 (4 for 27) against lefties.
- Is batting .200 (13 for 65) with the bases empty and .327 (16 for 49) with runners on...including .367 (11 for 30) with runners in scoring position...is 3 for 6 (.500) with a double, a home run, a walk and 10 RBI with the bases loaded.
- Has tossed out 7 of 15 (46.7%) attempted base stealers.
- Is 2 for 8 (.250) in two games in September...hit .217 in seven games in August, .474 in seven games in July, .238 in seven games in June, .240 in eight games in May and .111 in six games in April.
- Batted .230 with 15 home runs and 53 RBI in 88 games in his first full season at Triple-A Sacramento last year...added 63 walks for a .360 on-base percentage...the RBI and walks were career highs.

MOST RBI BY AN OAKLAND ATHLETIC, FIRST 37 GAMES OF CAREER	
30	Ben Grieve, 1997-98
28	Landon Powell, 2009
27	Mitchell Page, 1977
22	four players tied

<b>8 KURT SUZUKI</b>	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.333, 2-6, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 3 games (3 for 13)</b>
<b>Chicago Series: 2-10, 2b, 3 rbi, 2 so, sf, sb, gidp</b>		<b>Last Homestand: 3-21, r, 4 rbi, 2 so, sf, sb, gidp</b>

- Is 5 for 31 (.161) over his last seven games.
- Has 12 RBI in his last 11 games and leads the A's with 69 RBI for the season...in Athletics history, the only catcher to lead the team in RBI was Frankie Hayes, who had 78 RBI for Philadelphia in 1944.
- Is batting .316 (80 for 253) on the road compared to .220 (53 for 241) in Oakland.
- Leads American League catchers in games started (114), innings caught (1022.1) and fielding percentage (.997) and is tied for the lead in games (117)...an Oakland catcher has led the AL in games started in five of the previous eight seasons (Hernandez, 2001 and 2003; Kendall, 2005 and 2006; Suzuki, 2008)...has tossed out 16 of 83 (19.3%) attempted base stealers.
- Leads AL catchers in doubles (28) and stolen bases (7), ranks second in runs (55) and RBI (64) and third in hits (122).
- Is averaging 25.1 plate appearances per walk, which is the second highest ratio in the AL...has a .304 on-base percentage, which is fifth lowest.
- Is averaging 11.5 plate appearances per strikeout, which is the fifth best mark in the AL.
- Is 1 for 3 with two RBI, a walk and a hit by pitch as a pinch hitter...is 7 for 13 (.538) with a double, two home runs, six RBI, a walk and a hit by pitch in 15 career pinch hitting appearances
- Led the A's last year in batting (.279), hits (148), hit by pitches (11) and multiple hit games (36) while tying for the lead in games played (148).

<b>15 RYAN SWEENEY</b>	<b>Career vs. Blackburn (.200, 1-5, 0 HR, 1 BB, 0 SO)</b>	<b>Current Streak: 2 games (6 for 11)</b>
<b>Chicago Series: 6-11, 3 r, 2b, 3 rbi, bb, 3 so</b>		<b>Last Homestand: 6-23, 7 r, 2 2b, 3b, 4 rbi, 3 bb, 2 so, sb, gidp</b>

- Has back-to-back multiple hit games (6 for 11, .545), including a career high tying four hits Tuesday night in Chicago (third time, first since September 16, 2008 vs. Los Angeles)...is now batting .284, which is the highest his average has been outside the first seven games of the season.
- Is 37 for 112 (.330) with 14 extra base hits (nine doubles, two triples, three home runs) over his last 30 games after collecting just eight extra base hits over his previous 57 games.
- Is 5 for 11 (.455) in three games against Minnesota this year.
- Is batting .316 (75 for 237) in 71 games since he was reinstated from the 15-day disabled list June 18...hit .246 before going on the DL.
- Is tied for third among American League outfielders with 11 assists...has five assists from right field, four from center field and two in left field...the 11 assists equal the most by an A's outfielder over the last 10 years (Eric Byrnes and Mark Kotsay had 11 each in 2004).
- Has made 53 starts in center field, 50 in right field and four in left field...is batting .335 (69 for 206) in 71 games total while playing right field compared to .246 (50 for 203) in 57 games in center field.
- Was placed on the 15-day DL June 8 retroactive to June 3 with a sprained left knee...it was his third stint on the DL in two seasons with the A's.
- Batted .286 with five home runs and 45 RBI in 115 games with the A's last year in a season interrupted by two stints on the disabled list.

## A's vs. MINNESOTA

### BATTING

### PITCHING

2009					CAREER					2009					CAREER										
AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI	PLAYER	AVG.	AB	H	HR	RBI	W	L	SV	G	ERA	IP	ER	PITCHER	W	L	SV	G	ERA	IP	ER
.053	19	1	1	3	Barton	.118	51	6	1	5	0	1	0	1	7.94	5.7	5	Anderson	0	1	0	1	7.94	5.7	5
.333	6	2	0	0	Crosby	.185	146	27	1	5	0	2	1	3	9.00	4.0	4	Bailey	0	2	1	3	9.00	4.0	4
.240	25	6	2	4	Cust	.219	73	16	5	11	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Blevins	0	0	0	2	0.00	2.0	0
.389	18	7	0	6	Davis	.318	44	14	0	6	1	0	0	3	0.00	2.0	0	Breslow	1	0	0	4	0.00	2.3	0
.308	13	4	0	1	Ellis	.247	162	40	5	11	1	0	0	2	2.57	14.0	4	Cahill	1	0	0	2	2.57	14.0	4
####	0	0	0	0	Garciparra	.345	226	78	9	45	0	0	0	2	22.50	2.0	5	Casilla	0	0	0	10	6.28	14.3	10
.385	13	5	1	4	Hairston	.391	23	9	1	6	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Eveland	0	0	0	1	2.57	7.0	2
.286	28	8	1	5	Kennedy	.252	222	56	3	28	0	0	0	2	3.00	3.0	1	Gonzalez, E	0	0	0	2	3.00	3.0	1
####	0	0	0	0	Munson	.157	134	21	5	13	0	0	0	1	37.13	2.7	11	Gonzalez, G	0	0	0	1	37.13	2.7	11
####	0	0	0	0	Patterson	.150	20	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Gray	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0
####	0	0	0	0	Pennington	.200	10	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Kilby	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0
.250	4	1	0	1	Powell	.250	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Marshall	0	0	0	3	0.00	1.0	0
.238	21	5	0	5	Suzuki	.259	58	15	1	13	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Mazzaro	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0
.455	11	5	0	0	Sweeney	.291	55	16	0	5	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0	Mortensen	0	0	0	0	####	0.0	0
.300	80	24	2	17	others						0	0	0	3	2.70	3.3	1	Tomko	4	1	0	10	4.09	44.0	20
.286	238	68	7	46	TOTALS						0	0	1	4	2.70	3.3	1	Wuertz	0	0	1	4	2.70	3.3	1
											1	0	0	3	0.00	3.7	0	Ziegler	1	0	1	5	2.70	6.7	2
											1	0	0	6	2.66	23.7	7	others							
											4	3	2	7	5.34	64.0	38	TOTALS							





## HIGHS AND LOWS

### TEAM BATTING

Most Runs, Game, A's	16, July 22 vs. Minnesota
Most Runs, Game, Opponents	15, July 3 at Cleveland
Most Runs, Inning, A's	7, May 12 vs. Kansas City (2 <sup>nd</sup> ), July 20 vs. Minnesota (7 <sup>th</sup> ) and July 22 vs. Minnesota (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Runs, Inning, Opponents	7, August 28 at Los Angeles
Most Hits, Game, A's	22, July 20 vs. Minnesota
Most Hits, Game, Opponents	17 (four times), last: August 8 at Kansas City
Most Hits, Inning, A's	8, July 22 vs. Minnesota (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Hits, Inning, Opponents	7, July 20 vs. Minnesota (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Most Home Runs, Game, A's	4 (five times), last: August 23 vs. Detroit
Most Home Runs, Game, Opponents	4 (four times), last: August 23 vs. Detroit
Most Doubles, Game, A's	8, June 6 vs. Baltimore
Most Doubles, Game, Opponents	7, May 7 vs. Texas and May 16 at Detroit
Most Triples, Game, A's	1 (14 times), last: August 31 vs. Kansas City
Most Triples, Game, Opponents	2, May 17 at Detroit and July 21 vs. Minnesota
Most Stolen Bases, Game, A's	5, September 9 at Chicago
Most Stolen Bases, Game, Opponents	3 (four times), last: August 11 at Baltimore

### TEAM PITCHING

Most Strikeouts, A's	14, June 29 vs. Detroit
Most Strikeouts, Opponents	13, April 14 vs. Boston
Most Walks, A's	9, April 18 at Toronto and May 18 at Tampa Bay
Most Walks, Opponents	8 (four times), last: July 22 vs. Minnesota
Fewest Hits Allowed, A's	2, July 6, 2009 at Boston
Fewest Hits Allowed, Opponents	2, June 7 vs. Baltimore and June 21 at San Diego

### TEAM MISCELLANEOUS

Longest Winning Streak	7, June 2 to 8
Longest Losing Streak	5, April 18 to 24 and June 23 to 28
Longest Game, Innings	15, May 3 at Seattle
Longest Game, Time, Nine Innings	3:44, June 27 vs. Colorado
Longest Game, Time, Extra Innings	5:02, May 3 at Seattle (15)
Shortest Game, Time	2:02, June 12 at San Francisco
Largest Margin, Victory	15, July 22 vs. Minnesota (16-1)
Largest Margin, Loss	13, May 15 at Detroit (1-14) and May 30 at Texas (1-14)
Most Left on Base, Nine Inning Game	14, April 10 vs. Seattle
Most Left on Base, Extra Inning Game	14, May 3 at Seattle (15)
Fewest Left on Base, Game	2, June 21 at San Diego and August 17 vs. New York
Most Errors, Game	4, May 15 at Detroit and July 18 vs. Los Angeles (AL)
Largest Comeback in Win	10, July 20 vs. Minnesota
Largest Lead Surrendered in Loss	6, May 17 at Detroit

### INDIVIDUAL BATTING

Most Runs, Game	4, Mark Ellis, July 28 at Boston
Most Hits, Game	5, Kennedy, July 28 at Boston; Ellis, August 10 at Baltimore; Kennedy, August 15 vs. Chicago
Most Doubles, Game	2 (16 times), last: Scott Hairston, September 8 at Chicago
Most Triples, Game	1 (14 times), last: Ryan Sweeney, August 31 vs. Kansas City
Most Home Runs, Game	2 (five times), last: Jack Cust, August 23 vs. Detroit
Most Runs Batted In, Game	6, Matt Holliday, July 20 vs. Minnesota
Most Walks, Game	4, Jack Cust, July 29 at Boston
Most Strikeouts, Game	4 (four times), last: Adam Kennedy, August 18 vs. New York
Most Stolen Bases, Game	2 (10 times), last: Rajai Davis, September 9 at Chicago
Longest Hitting Streak	14, Orlando Cabrera, June 17 to July 1

### INDIVIDUAL PITCHING

Most Strikeouts, Game	9 (three times), last: Gio Gonzalez, August 21 vs. Detroit
Most Walks, Game	6, Dallas Braden, July 26 at New York and Gio Gonzalez, August 15 vs. Chicago
Most Innings, Game, Starter	9.0, Brett Anderson, July 6 at Boston
Most Innings, Game, Reliever	5.0, Gio Gonzalez, May 3 at Seattle
Low Hit Complete Game	2, Brett Anderson, July 6 at Boston
Most Consecutive Scoreless Innings	23.0, Brett Anderson, July 6 to 24
Most Consecutive Batters Retired	22, Brett Anderson, July 12 to 19

## MULTIPLE HIT GAMES

PLAYER	2	3	4	5	TOT
Barton	4	0	0	0	4
Buck	3	2	0	0	5
Cabrera	26	9	0	0	35
Crosby	6	1	0	0	7
Cust	17	6	0	0	23
Davis	25	3	0	0	28
Ellis	15	3	1	1	20
Everidge	3	0	0	0	3
Garciparra	8	1	0	0	9
Giambi	11	1	0	0	12
Gonzalez, E	1	0	0	0	1
Hairston	8	2	0	0	10
Hannahan	4	0	0	0	4
Holliday	21	2	2	0	25
Kennedy	25	8	2	2	37
Pennington	3	3	0	0	6
Petit	1	1	0	0	2
Powell	6	1	0	0	7
Suzuki	26	5	1	0	32
Sweeney	22	7	1	0	30

## MULTIPLE RBI GAMES

PLAYER	2	3	4	5	6	TOT
Barton	2	0	0	0	0	2
Buck	2	0	0	0	0	2
Cabrera	7	1	1	0	0	9
Crosby	2	4	0	0	0	6
Cunningham	2	0	0	0	0	2
Cust	10	3	3	0	0	16
Davis	7	2	1	0	0	10
Ellis	8	4	1	0	0	13
Everidge	1	0	0	0	0	1
Garciparra	1	1	0	0	0	2
Giambi	7	4	0	0	0	11
Hairston	3	3	1	0	0	7
Hannahan	0	1	0	0	0	1
Holliday	9	4	0	0	1	14
Kennedy	12	2	0	0	0	14
Patterson	1	0	0	0	0	1
Pennington	2	0	0	0	0	2
Powell	6	3	1	0	0	10
Suzuki	14	3	0	0	0	17
Sweeney	7	2	0	0	0	9

## GAME TYING/GO-AHEAD RBI

PLAYER	GT	GA	TOT
Barton	1	1	2
Buck	3	3	6
Cabrera	4	4	8
Chavez	0	1	1
Crosby	2	4	6
Cunningham	1	0	1
Cust	5	14	19
Davis	6	6	12
Ellis	4	8	12
Everidge	1	2	3
Garciparra	2	2	4
Giambi	5	8	13
Hairston	5	8	13
Hannahan	2	1	3
Holliday	5	11	16
Kennedy	1	11	12
Pennington	0	1	1
Petit	0	1	1
Powell	1	6	7
Suzuki	5	17	22
Sweeney	5	9	14

## STARTS IN THE ORDER

PLAYER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Barton	-	-	-	-	-	1	9	15	-
Buck	-	-	-	-	-	2	9	11	2
Cabrera	35	52	-	-	1	10	2	-	-
Chavez	-	-	-	1	2	3	2	-	-
Crosby	-	-	-	-	-	9	18	23	7
Cunningham	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	3
Cust	-	7	33	25	39	8	15	2	-
Davis	2	35	-	-	-	2	4	16	15
Ellis	-	1	1	-	1	14	14	25	23
Everidge	-	-	-	-	3	14	3	2	-
Garciparra	-	-	3	5	11	10	1	-	-
Giambi	-	-	29	17	29	1	4	-	-
Hairston	-	-	26	17	5	-	-	-	-
Hannahan	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	9	22
Holliday	-	-	19	73	-	-	-	-	-
Kennedy	77	19	-	-	1	6	5	2	-
Patterson	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	9
Pennington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	35
Petit	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	5
Powell	-	-	-	-	3	3	10	6	9
Suzuki	1	25	21	1	33	28	10	2	-
Sweeney	24	-	7	-	11	27	23	15	-

## GAMES BY POSITION

PLAYER	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH						
	G	GS	G	GS	G	GS	G	GS	G	GS					
Barton	-	-	30	25	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Buck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Cabrera	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Chavez	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-					
Crosby	-	-	53	23	5	4	34	27	6	2					
Cunningham	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Cust	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Davis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					
Denorfia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-					
Ellis	-	-	-	83	80	-	-	-	-	-					
Everidge	-	-	21	19	-	-	-	-	-	3	3				
Garciparra	-	-	15	10	-	6	6	-	-	-	15	14			
Giambi	-	-	58	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	22			
Hairston	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Hannahan	-	-	1	-	1	-	51	34	-	-	-	-			
Holliday	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	93	92	-			
Kennedy	-	-	1	-	49	49	63	61	-	-	-	1			
Patterson	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	12	7	4	4		
Pennington	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Petit	-	-	-	-	8	4	3	3	-	-	-	-	-		
Powell	28	25	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	
Suzuki	117	114	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7
Sweeney	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	57	53	71	50

## HOME RUN BREAKDOWN

REGULAR SEASON HOME RUNS					LAST REGULAR SEASON HOME RUN				Grand Slams (4)
Player	Solo	2R	3R	GS	Tot.	Date	Opponent	Pitcher	GP Since
Barton	1	1	0	0	2	Sept. 3, 2009	Seattle	Lowe	4
Crosby	5	0	1	0	6	August 9, 2009	at Kansas City	Bales	8
Cust	10	6	4	1	21	Sept. 8, 2009	at Chicago	Torres	1
Davis	2	1	0	0	3	Sept. 1, 2009	Kansas City	Davies	7
Ellis	4	3	0	0	7	Sept. 8, 2009	at Chicago	Torres	1
GarciaParra	2	1	0	0	3	Sept. 4, 2009	Seattle	Rowland-Smith	1
Hairston	9	4	3	1	17	Sept. 6, 2009	Seattle	Kelley	2
Kennedy	7	3	0	0	10	Aug. 11, 2009	at Baltimore	Hernandez	26
Munson	0	0	0	0	0	July 29, 2007	San Diego	Stauffer	23
Patterson	0	0	0	0	0	June 22, 2008	Chicago (AL)	Vazquez	47
Pennington	2	1	0	0	3	Sept. 5, 2009	Seattle	French	3
Powell	2	2	1	1	6	Sept. 6, 2009	Seattle	Fister	--
Suzuki	9	1	1	0	11	Aug. 26, 2009	at Seattle	French	10
Sweeney	4	1	1	0	6	Aug. 27, 2009	at Los Angeles	Santana	12
others	18	7	5	1	31				
<b>Team</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>118</b>				

  

Jack Cust, May 7 vs. Texas (McCarthy)
Matt Holliday, July 20 vs. Minnesota (Keppel)
Landon Powell, September 2 vs. Kansas City (Yabuta)
Scott Hairston, September 6 vs. Seattle (Hairston)
<b>Pinch Hit Home Runs (0)</b>
None
<b>Lead Off Home Runs (1)</b>
Adam Kennedy, July 29 at Boston (Penny)
<b>Back-To-Back Home Runs (5)</b>
Crosby and Powell, June 3 at Chicago (Richard)
Kennedy and Cust, June 20 at San Diego (Burke)
Holliday and Cust, July 20 vs. Minnesota (Keppel/Mijares)
Sweeney and Crosby, August 9 at Kansas City (Hochevar)
Cust and Ellis, September 8 at Chicago (Torres)
<b>Inside-The-Park Home Runs (0)</b>
None
<b>Walk-Off Wins (5)</b>
April 14 vs. Boston (Buck single)
June 11 vs. Minnesota (Davis single)
August 3 vs. Texas (Davis triple)
August 16 vs. Chicago (Ellis home run)
August 22 vs. Detroit (Suzuki single)

## MILESTONES

Player	Category	No.	Needs	Player	Category	No.	Needs
Ellis	Triples	21	1 for 22 (ties Bando for 8 <sup>th</sup> in Oakland history)	Tomko	Wins	99	1 for 100
	Homers as 2B	75	1 for 76 (ties Green for 1 <sup>st</sup> in Athletics history as second baseman)				

## DISABLED LIST

Player	Injury	Dates	Games Missed	Player	Injury	Dates	Games Missed
Barton	Strained left hamstring	July 27-August 20	23	Duchscherer	Right elbow surgery	March 27-present	139
Braden	Rash on left foot	August 1-present	37	Ellis	Strained left calf	April 29-June 27	55
Buck	Strained left oblique	May 30-June 13	15	GarciaParra	Strained right calf	April 29-May 21	20
Casilla	Sprained right knee	April 29-May 14	13	GarciaParra	Strained right calf	May 24-June 12	19
Chavez	Strained right forearm	April 25-present	124	Giambi	Strained right quad	July 20-August 6	18
Copeland	Sprained left shoulder	March 27-May 4	23	Giese	Right elbow ulnaritis	May 16-present	107
Crosby	Strained left calf	August 18-September 1	14	Outman	Sprained left elbow	June 20-present	73
Devine	UCL surgery, right elbow	April 4-present	139	Sweeney	Sprained left knee	June 3-18	14

*The A's have placed 16 players on the disabled list this season...placed an Oakland record 25 players on the disabled list in 2008.*

## RECENT TRANSACTIONS

May 2	Santiago Casilla placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to April 29 (sprained right knee); Gio Gonzalez recalled from Sacramento	July 5	Scott Hairston acquired from the San Diego Padres for minor league pitchers Ryan Webb and Craig Italiano and a player to be named later
May 4	Jerry Blevins and Sean Gallagher recalled from Sacramento; Gio Gonzalez and Eric Patterson optioned to Sacramento; Ben Copeland transferred to Sacramento on rehab assignment	July 6	Dallas Braden placed on bereavement list; Dana Eveland recalled from Sacramento; Travis Buck optioned to Sacramento
May 5	Ben Copeland reinstated from disabled list; Dana Eveland optioned to Sacramento	July 7	Dana Eveland designated for assignment
May 9	Adam Kennedy selected from Sacramento; Jeff Gray recalled from Sacramento; Gregorio Petit optioned to Sacramento; Ben Copeland designated for assignment; Santiago Casilla sent to Stockton on rehab assignment	July 8	Jeff Gray recalled from Sacramento
May 12	Santiago Casilla transferred to Sacramento on rehab assignment	July 10	Dana Eveland optioned to Sacramento
May 14	Ben Copeland returned to San Francisco (Rule 5); Jerry Blevins and Jeff Gray optioned to Sacramento	July 11	Dallas Braden reinstated from bereavement list; Jeff Gray optioned to Sacramento; Jack Hannahan traded to the Seattle Mariners for minor league pitcher Justin Souza
May 15	Santiago Casilla reinstated from disabled list; Aaron Cunningham recalled from Sacramento	July 20	Jason Giambi placed on the 15-day disabled list (strained right quad); Daric Barton recalled from Sacramento
May 18	Dan Giese placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to May 16 (right elbow ulnaritis); Gio Gonzalez recalled from Sacramento	July 24	Matt Holliday traded to the St. Louis Cardinals with cash for minor leaguers Brett Wallace, Clayton Mortensen and Shane Peterson; Eric Patterson recalled from Sacramento
May 19	Edgar Gonzalez and Chris Schroder selected from Sacramento; Sean Gallagher and Gio Gonzalez optioned to Sacramento; Eric Chavez transferred to 60-day disabled list; Javier Herrera released	July 26	Justin Duchscherer sent to Stockton on a rehab assignment
May 20	Craig Breslow claimed off waivers from Minnesota; Mark Ellis transferred to 60-day disabled list	July 28	Daric Barton placed on the 15-day disabled list retroactive to July 27 (strained left hamstring); Tommy Everidge selected from Sacramento; Sean Gallagher sent to the San Diego Padres as the PTBNL in the July 5 trade for Scott Hairston
May 21	Aaron Cunningham optioned to Sacramento	July 31	Orlando Cabrera traded to the Minnesota Twins with cash for minor league infielder Tyler Ladendorf; Cliff Pennington recalled from Sacramento
May 22	Nomar GarciaParra reinstated from disabled list; Chris Schroder optioned to Sacramento	August 5	Chad Reineke selected from Sacramento; Eric Patterson optioned to Sacramento
May 27	Nomar GarciaParra placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to May 24 (strained right calf); Jeff Gray recalled from Sacramento	August 6	Jeff Gray recalled from Sacramento; Chad Reineke optioned to Sacramento
May 30	Travis Buck placed on 15-day disabled list (strained left oblique); Jeff Gray optioned to Sacramento; Aaron Cunningham and Gregorio Petit recalled from Sacramento	August 7	Jason Giambi reinstated from disabled list and released
June 2	Vin Mazzaro selected from Sacramento; Kevin Cameron optioned to Sacramento; Dan Giese transferred to 60-day disabled list	August 8	Russ Springer claimed off waivers by Tampa Bay; Aaron Cunningham and Clayton Mortensen recalled from Sacramento; Dallas Braden placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to August 1 (rash on left foot)
June 8	Ryan Sweeney placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to June 3 (sprained left knee); Daric Barton recalled from Sacramento; Travis Buck sent to Sacramento on a rehab assignment	August 9	Jay Marshall selected from Sacramento; Clayton Mortensen optioned to Sacramento; Justin Duchscherer transferred to Sacramento on rehab
June 9	Chris Denorfia recalled from Sacramento; Gregorio Petit optioned to Sacramento	August 13	Justin Duchscherer transferred to AZL A's on rehab; Daric Barton sent to AZL A's on rehab
June 12	Nomar GarciaParra reinstated from the disabled list; Aaron Cunningham optioned to Sacramento	August 17	Brett Tomko selected from Sacramento; Aaron Cunningham optioned to Sacramento
June 14	Travis Buck reinstated from disabled list and optioned to Sacramento	August 19	Chris Schroder outrighted to Sacramento
June 15	Mark Ellis sent to Stockton on a rehab assignment	August 20	Daric Barton transferred to Stockton on rehab; Justin Duchscherer returned from rehab assignment
June 18	Ryan Sweeney reinstated from the disabled list; Chris Denorfia optioned to Sacramento; Mark Ellis transferred to Sacramento on rehab	August 21	Bobby Crosby placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to August 18 (strained left calf); Daric Barton reinstated from disabled list
June 24	Josh Outman placed on 15-day disabled list retroactive to June 20 (sprained left elbow); Gio Gonzalez recalled from Sacramento	August 28	Eric Patterson recalled from Sacramento; Tommy Everidge optioned to Sacramento
June 28	Mark Ellis reinstated from disabled list; Daric Barton optioned to Sacramento; Josh Outman transferred to 60-day disabled list	Sept. 1	Jerry Blevins and Dana Eveland recalled from Sacramento; Brad Kilby selected from Sacramento
June 29	Travis Buck recalled from Sacramento; Jack Hannahan optioned to Sacramento	Sept. 2	Bobby Crosby reinstated from disabled list; John Meloan claimed off waivers from Pittsburgh and optioned to Sacramento
		Sept. 4	Clayton Mortensen recalled from Sacramento
		Sept. 11	Eric Munson selected from Sacramento; Dallas Braden transferred to the 60-day disabled list