



PREGAME NOTES

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2010 at OAKLAND A'S

LH David Price (3-1, 2.34) vs. LH Gio Gonzalez (3-1, 3.45)

Game #29 (21-7)...Road Game #14 (12-1)...All-Time Game #1,970 (847-1,122)...All-Time Road Game #985 (365-619)

	UPCOMING PROBABLES							
Sat	@OAK	4:07		RH Wade Davis	(3-1, 2.79)	vs.	RH Ben Sheets	(1-3, 7.12)
Sun	@OAK	4:07	SUN	RH James Shields	(4-0, 3.15)	VS.	LH Dallas Braden	(3-2, 4.14)
Mon	@LAA	10:05	SUN	RH Matt Garza	(5-1, 2.09)	VS.	RH Joel Piniero	(2-4, 5.30)
Tue	@LAA	10:05	SUN	RH Jeff Niemann	(2-0, 2.23)	VS.	LH Scott Kazmir	(2-2, 7.11)
Wed								
All g	All games broadcast on 620 AM WDAE and in Spanish on 680 AM WGES							

<u>21-7</u> ---Rays are off to the best start in club history with the majors' best record...it's the best 28-game start by a major league club since the 2005 White Sox (21-7/22-7)... in AL history, the Rays are the 17th team to start 21-7 or better, 9th AL team to do it in the last 50 years...Rays have 5 more victories after 27 games than their next closest season (2008) and are 9 games ahead of last year at this time...Rays did not win their 21st game in 2009 until May 23

(43rd game), and #22 until May 24 (44th)...the Rays have held sole possession of 1st in the AL East for the past 15 days since Apr 22.

RAY MATTER---Rays have won 4 straight including a 3-game sweep at Seattle to start this 9-games-in-9-days west coast road swing...in the 4-game win streak, Rays starters are 4-0 (1.20, IP-30.0, H-20, R-4, ER-4, BB-6, SO-26)... Last night was the 24th time in 28 games that Rays starters have allowed 3 runs or less and the 19th time (and 8th straight game) they have allowed 2 runs or less... The Rays are 18-4 starting April 12...in those 22 games, the Rays have pitched to a 2.25 ERA (204-IP, 51-ER)

l	Best Records Af	ter 28 gar	nes, 2000s
l	2003 Yankees	22-6	23-6
l	2001 Mariners	22-6	22-7
l	2010 Rays	21-7	
l	2005 White Sox	21-7	22-7
l	2002 Red Sox	21-7	22-7
l	2000 Braves	21-7	21-8

Best Records Af Last 50 Years	ter 28 gar	nes, AL
1984 Detroit	24-4	25-4
1981 A's	22-6	23-6
1998 Yankees	22-6	23-6
2001 Mariners	22-6	22-7
1990 A's	22-6	22-7
2010 Rays	21-7	
2005 White Sox	21-7	22-7
2002 Red Sox	21-7	22-7
1988 A's	21-7	22-7

TB Aft	er 28/29 Games
1998	12-16/12-17
1999	14-14/15-14
2000	10-18/11-18
2001	9-19/9-20
2002	9-19/9-20
2003	10-18/11-18
2004	9-19/9-20
2005	10-18/11-18
2006	11-17/11-18
2007	13-15/13-16
2008	16-12/16-13
2009	12-16/13-16
2010	21-7/

RAYS ROAD RECORD BEST SINCE 1984 TIGERS --- Rays are just the 8th major league team, 4th AL team since 1900 to start 12-1 or better on the road...last last team to do it was the 1984 Tigers who set a major league record by winning their first 17 road games...with a win tonight, the Rays would become only the 5th major league team, 3rd AL team since 1900 to start 13-1 or better on the road... Rays are pitching to a 2.03 ERA (IP-120, ER-27) on the road and have held opposing hitters to a .198 batting average, including .086 (6-70) with runners in scoring position,all top the majors.

Best Road Records After 13 Games, Since 1900

1984 Detroit Tigers	13-0	14-0	1981 Oakland A's	12-1	12-2
1912 Chicago White Sox	12-1-1	13-1-1	1941 St. Louis Cardinals	12-1	12-2
1976 Philadelphia Phillies	12-1	13-1	1902 Pittsburgh Pirates	12-1-1	12-2-1
1923 New Giants	12-1	13-1	2010 Rays	12-1	

<u>POINTS FOR AND AGAINST</u>---The Rays lead the majors in most runs scored (168) and the American League in fewest runs allowed (85) ... Their run differential of+ 83 is the greatest by a major league team after 28 games since the 1984 Tigers (also +83) and equals the 3rd greatest advantage after 28 games since 1900.

Greatest Run Differential After 28 Games Since 1900

1902 Pittsburgh Pirates + 112 (+113 after 29 games)
1905 New York Giants +97 (+98)
1939 New York Yankees +91 (+94)
1984 Detroit Tigers +83 (+85)
2010 Tampa Bay Rays +83

<u>POINTS AGAINST</u>---The Rays have allowed only 85 runs...it is the fewest runs allowed by an AL team through the first 28 games of the season since the 1990 Oakland A's who allowed only 84 runs.

VS. OAKLAND--- Rays are 41-72 (.363) all-time vs. the A's, their 3rd worst pct. against an AL opponent...however, the Rays are 16-13 (.552) the past 3 years and 19-19 under Joe Maddon...Rays have had only 3 winning seasons against the A's, but two of those have come in the last 3 years (2007 and 2008)...Rays were 4-6 a year ago...the Rays are 15-39 (.278) here but are 7-5 here starting 2007 and 9-9 under Joe...the Rays lost 30 of their first 36 games here from

RAYS ERA AL'S BEST SINCE 1991--- Rays lead the AL with a 2.84 ERA (3rd in the majors), lowest on this date by an AL team since the 1991 Red Sox (2.45)... Rays starters have lost only 3 decisions in the first 28 games and are 17-3 with a 2.61 ERA (IP-183.0, H-145, ER-51, BB-61, SO-155)... Rays starters lead the majors in ERA and wins and are tied with the St. Louis Cardinals for the major league high with an average of 6.2 innings per start:

- Rays starters haven't lost since April 23 (Garza lost to Toronto, 6-5) and are 8-0 with 3 no decisions since
- In the last 20 games (since April 14 at BAL), the Rays bullpen is 3-2 with a 1.78 ERA (50.1-IP, 10-ER).
- Last night was the 13th time a Rays starter has gone 7.0+ innings and allowed 2 or fewer runs...only the Cardinals with 14 such games and the Giants with 13 have as many in 2010.

IN THE CLUTCH—Rays lead the majors with a .317 (84-265) average with runners in scoring position (tied with Arziona)... among the Al leaders Carl Crawford (.474) is 2^{nd} , Jason Bartlett (.458) is 6^{th} , John Jaso (.385) is 9^{th} and Reid Brignac (.375) is 10^{th} ...the Rays are just 12^{th} overall in hitting in the majors.

<u>LONGO'S IS LONGEST</u>---Evan Longoria's current 12-game hit streak is the longest active streak in the majors and matches his career high (last August-September)...his is one of 6 streaks of 12+ in the majors this season...Evan is hitting .429 (21-49) during the streak.

PENA TIES CRIME DOG---Rays 1B Carlos Pena worked a pair of walks last night at Seattle giving him 305 since he joined the Rays in 2007 tying Fred McGriff for the most in franchise history... McGriff coaxed 305 in his Rays career (1998-2001, 2004).,,only 3 other major leaguers have 300 or more walks since the start of 2007: Adam Dunn (361), Albert Pujols (334) and Jack Cust (309).



TONIGHT'S STARTER – LH DAVID PRICE (3-1, 2.34)														
	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	Opp Avg.
2010 Season (Rays)	3-1	2.34	5	5	1	1	34.2	25	9	9	13	34	2	.216
2009 Season (Rays)	10-7	4.42	23	23	0	0	128.1	119	72	63	54	102	17	.241
2009 Season (AAA Durham)	1-4	3.93	8	8	0	0	34.1	28	20	15	18	35	5	.231
Career Minor League	13-5	2.69	27	27	1	0	144.0	120	50	43	76	144	12	.229
Career MLB	13-8	3.84	33	29	1	1	177.0	153	85	75	68	141	20	.228

2010 SPLITS

Home: 2-0, 1.62 ERA (16.2-IP, 3-ER)

vs. LH: .200 (7-35), 0-HR vs. RH: .198 (18-91), 2-HR

Road: 1-1, 3.00 ERA (12.0-IP, 5-ER)

2010 SEASON HIGHS

Lone CG/SHO: 4/25 vs. TOR (4 hits)

Strikeouts: 9, 4/25 vs. TOR

Win Streak: 2G, 4/9–4/14

Loss Streak: 1G, 4/20

4/25/10 vs. TOR (4 hits)

Walks: 6, 6/11/09 vs. LAA **HR All'd:** 3, 7/25/09 @, TOR

Strikeouts: 11, 5/30/09 vs. MIN

Hits All'd: 10, 6/17/09 @ COL **Runs All'd:** 10, 6/23/09 vs. PHI

Win Streak: 5G, 9/14/09–4/14/10 Loss Streak: 2G, 6/17–6/23/09

Lone CG/SHO:

Walks: 3, 2x-last 4/20 @ CWS

HR All'd: 1, 2x-last 4/20 @ CWS

Hits All'd: 7, 4/9 vs. NYY Runs All'd: 3, 2x-last 4/20 @ CWS

CAREER GAME HIGHS

TONIGHT'S START & 2010 NOTES

- Twenty-four-year-old lefthander makes his 6th start of the season, 30th big league start...first against Oakland.
- Is the youngest member of the rotation (12 days younger than Wade Davis)...only lefty in the rotation.
- <u>Last start</u>: Last Saturday in a no decision at home against KC...he left after 6 innings (110 pitches) with the scored tied, 2-2...Rays lost 4-2 in 11...his line: IP-6.0, H-4, R-2, ER-2, BB-1, SO-1. Allowed 4 hits and 2 runs in the first 2 innings, then faced the minimum number of batters over his final 4 innings, allowing only one runner to reach base (error)...he then picked him off.
- In his previous start he threw his first career complete game, a 4-hit shutout. vs. TOR on Apr 25...remains the only CG SHO in the American League this season...struck out 9 (a season high) with only 1 walk...was only the 5th CG SHO by a LHP in Rays history, and the first since Scott Kazmir, July 3, 2006 vs. BOS...threw 76 of 108 pitches (70.4 percent) for strikes.
- Opponents are hitting .198- tied for 3rd best in the AL
- Is 10th in the AL in ERA (2.34).
- Has allowed 3 runs or less in each start.
- Is 10-3 lifetime with a 2.68 ERA (94-IP, 28-ER) at home, compared to 3-5, 5.09 on the road (83-IP, 47-ER).
- Has allowed 2 ER or fewer in 17 of his 29 major league starts and 3 ER or less 21 times.
- Since July 31 he is 10-4 in 17 starts and has held the opposition to a .211 average.
- In April compiled a 2.20 ERA (28.2-IP, 7-ER), 8th best in the AL...topped the prev. club record (James Shields, 2.53 in 2008) for April but was beaten out by Garza's 2.06 ERA the same month.
- Has allowed only one HR to a LH hitter in his career (Chase Utley, June 23, 2009 vs. PHI) in 164 AB...career .220 opp avg. vs. lefties.
- Kone defeat was a 4-1 decision to John Danks on April 20 at CWS, in the opener of a 3-game series...5 IP, 6 H, 3 R/ER...faced 2 batters in the 6th inning, including a leadoff HR by Andruw Jones, and left trailing 3-1...the loss snapped a personal 5-game win streak dating back to last Sep 14.
- Beat the Yankees 9-3 in his season debut, April 9 at home...worked a career-high 7.2 innings (111 pit.) a day after the Rays had to empty the 'pen vs. Baltimore when Jeff Niemann left after 12 pitches after getting hit by a line drive.
- vs. AL East: Is 9-1 lifetime with a 2.91 ERA (92.2-IP, 30-ER)...is 407 with a 4.73 ERA (IP-85.2, ER-45) against everyone else.
- **Spring training:** Made 4 official starts/apps, working only 12.2 official innings, but made 3 other outings in minor league and simulated games...on March 10 in Fort Myers vs. Boston, suffered an abrasion near the base of his right thumb when he was struck by the barrel of Adrian Beltre's shattered bat...did not miss any time.

								20)10 S	TART	S			
DATE	OPP	DEC	ERA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	HR	#P/K	RESULT	OPP. STARTER	WHEN LEFT
4/9	NYY	W-1	3.52	7.2	7	3	3	3	7	0	111/69	W, 9-3	Vazquez	up 9-3
4/14	@BAL	W-2	2.45	7.0	4	1	1	2	7	1	109/70	W, 9-1	Bergesen	up 9-1
4/20	@CWS	L-1	3.20	5.0	6	3	3	3	3	1	93/56	L, 1-4	Danks	down 3-1
4/25	TOR	W-3	2.20	9.0	4	0	0	1	9	0	108/76	W, 6-0	Morrow	<u> </u>
APRIL		3-1	2.20	28.2	21	7	7	8	26	2				
5/1	KC		2.34	6.0	4	2	2	1	1	0	110/73	L, 2-4	Davies	tied, 2-2

2009 & CAREER NOTES

- In 2009 led the Rays with 7 wins after the All-Star break...over his final 12 starts (from July 31) went 7-3 with a 3.58 ERA (75.1-IP, 61-H, 30-ER) and held opponents to a .217 batting avg., 5th best in the AL over that span.
- Made 23 starts for the Rays after his promotion from AAA Durham on May 25...Rays were 14-9 in his starts.
- Led all AL rookies (min. 20 starts) with a .241 opp avg. ...this was 2nd in the majors to ATL Tommy Hanson (.225)...this would have ranked 5th overall in the AL if he had enough innings to qualify...his 7.15 SO/9 IP ranked 4th among ML rookies.
- Averaged 17.8 pitches per inning, which would have been highest in the AL if he had enough innings to qualify.
- Allowed only 24 BB in his last 15 starts (90.1-IP) from July 9, after issuing 30 BB in his first 8 starts (38-IP).
- Won his final start, Oct 2 vs. NYY, 13-4 (7-IP, 2-H, 1-ER, 2-BB, 5-SO) to deny CC Sabathia of his 20th win...also beat Roy Halladay twice (July 9 and Sep 20, both at home), joining Jeff Niemann as the only rookies ever to beat Halladay twice in one season.
- On May 30 vs. MIN, defeated Francisco Liriano to earn his first career regular-season victory, coming in his first career start at Tropicana Field...11 SO (in 5.2 IP) were most by a Rays pitcher since Scott Kazmir did it Sep 15, 2007 at SEA.
- At AAA Durham: Made 8 starts for the Bulls in 2009...in his last outing, May 17 vs. Rochester (Twins), totaled 5 IP, 0 H, 0 R, 2 BB, 9 SO.
- Entering 2009, was rated No. 2 prospect in baseball (behind BAL Matt Wieters) by Baseball America and top pitching prospect in the game.
- Was selected No. 1 overall by the Rays in the **2007** June Draft...signed Aug 15 of that year...made pro debut May 22, **2008** with Vero Beach (A) and rose to the majors in less than 4 months, earning a Sep 13 call-up...named 2008 Minor League Pitcher of the Year by *USA Today*.
- 2008 Postseason: Made 5 relief outings for the Rays and was on the mound when the Rays captured the AL pennant...combined to go 1-0 with a save, 1.59 ERA (5.2-IP, 2-H, 2-R, 1-ER, 4-BB, 8-SO) and a .100 opp avg. (2-20)...finished each of the 5 games in which he appeared... became the quickest No. 1 overall pick to play in World Series, passing Chipper Jones ('90 draft, '95 WS) and Tim Belcher ('83 draft, '88 WS).
- Drafted out of Vanderbilt, where in 2007 he was a consensus All-American and won the Golden Spikes Award, Dick Howser Award, *Baseball America*'s College Player of the Year, Brooks Wallace Award and Roger Clemens Award, among others.

PRICE vs. OAKLAND

Makes his first career appearance against Oakland, one of only 2 teams he hasn't faced (Seattle is the other).

A's vs. PRICE (CAREER AVG-AB-H-HR)—None

RAYS vs. GONZALES—Aybar (.000-1-0-0)...Bartlett (1.000-4-4-0)...Burrell (1.000-1-1-0)...Kapler (.000-1-0-0)...Longoria (.500-2-1-0)...Navarro (.000-3-0-0)...Peña (.200-5-1-0)...Upton (.200-5-1-0)...Zobrist (.333-3-1-0).

#70 JOE MADDON, MANAGER

- Is in his 5th season as manager of the Rays...has managed more games than any other skipper in Rays history and owns the best record at 329-347 (.487)...Rays were 518-775 (.401) prior to Maddon's arrival.
- Skippered the American League to a 4-3 win over the NL in the 80th All-Star Game at St. Louis last July 14.
- Was named AL Manager of the Year in 2008, guiding the Rays from the majors' worst record to the World Series...missed by one vote in becoming the first manager, AL or NL, to win the award unanimously.
- Prior to joining Rays spent all 31 years of his professional baseball career in the Angels system, including the last 12 on the major league staff.
- Until this season, his No. 70 had been the highest uniform number for a major league manager in major league history...was eclipsed by KC Trey Hillman (#88).
- Has an overall managerial record of 362-373 (.493)...had interim stints with the Angels in 1996, '98 and '99.
- Is in the first year of a three-year contract through 2012.

#16 WILLY AYBAR INF (.306, 2, 6) THU: 2-5, 2B, 2-RBI SEATTLE SERIES: 3-6, 2B, 3-RBI Vs. LH: .273 (6-22), HR Vs. RH: .357 (5-14), HR RISP: .357 (5-14), HR

- Is 10-for-24 (.417) in his last 7 games after starting the season 1-for-12.
- 27-year-old switch-hitter has started 9 games (8-DH, 1-1B).
- Homered April 23 vs. TOR off Brett Cecil, the same day he returned to the team after missing the final 2 days of the road trip due to the birth of his son, Willy Jr.
- Hit his first HR on April 9 vs. NYY off Javier Vazquez, a 2-run shot.
- Spring training: Did not appear in a big league game until March 29 due to a left wrist sprain suffered in the Dominican Winter League.
- In 2009 appeared in 105 games and made 73 starts (26-1B, 20-DH, 16-2B, 11-3B)...helped fill in for injuries to Peña, Burrell, Iwamura and Longoria at various points in the season...set career highs in HR (12) and RBI (41)...hit 6 HR from each side of the plate.

#8 JASON BARTLETT (.261, 0, 17) THU: 1-5, SEATTLE SERIES: 3-9, 2-2B, RBI, BB
Current Hitting Streak: 2G (3-9) vs. LH: .273 (12-44) vs. RH: .254 (17-67) RISP: .458 (11-24)

- Entered the road trip in a 1-for-15 slump, but was 3-for-9 in Seattle.
- 30-year-old has started 25 of 28 games, all from the leadoff spot.
- Is 6th in the AL with a .458 avg. (11-for-24) with RISP...over the last 2 seasons (2009-10) is hitting .401 (55-for-138) with RISP, tops in the majors...in 2009 led the AL hitting a club-record .386 with RISP
- Had 10 RBI over a stretch of 5 games from April 24-29.
- His .326 career avg. vs. LHP (207-634) is 9th among active players (min. 500 AB)...hit .338 in 2009 (7th/AL) and .379 (1st/AL) in 2008.
- His last 20 home runs have been solo shots, tied for 2nd-longest such streak in ML history behind DET Curtis Granderson (23, 2007-08)...is tied with MTL Andre Dawson (1980-81) and MIL Paul Molitor (1983-85).
- In 2009 set a club record with a .320 avg. (T-6th/AL)...career .299 avg. as a Ray is a club record (min. 1,000 PA).
- Led all AL shortstops with an .879 OPS...posted a .398 OBP from the leadoff spot, 2nd best in the majors behind Jeter (.409)...his 14 HR were a career high...selected by the players to his first All-Star Game...finished 2nd in fan voting at SS behind Jeter.
- Became 1 of 5 shortstops all time to hit at least .320 with 10 HR and 30 SB, joining Honus Wagner, Jeter (3x), E. Renteria and H. Ramirez

#15 REID BRIGNAC INF (.273, 2, 12) THU: 0-2 SEATTLE SERIES: 2-7, 2B, 2-RBI
Current Hitting Streak: ---- vs. LH: .167 (1-6) vs. RH: .286 (14-49), 2-HR RISP: .375 (6-16)

- 24-year-old rookie has appeared in 19 games, 12 starts (9-2B, 3-SS)...Rays are 11-1 when he starts...made his first Opening Day roster.
- Has 11 RBI in his last 11 games and leads all AL rookies with 13.
- Is 10th in the AL overall with a .375 average with runners in scoring position.
- His last 6 hits have driven in a run and he is 5-for-his-last 8 with runners in scoring position.
- Had a pinch-hit RBI double Wed at Seattle night and is 2-for-5 with 3 RBI as a pinch-hitter.
- On April 27 vs. OAK homered off Ben Sheets, a fellow alumnus of St. Amant (La.) HS...was his first career homer at Tropicana Field.
- On April 24 vs. TOR drew a bases-loaded, go-ahead walk, while pinch-hitting for Gabe Kapler in the 8th inning...gave Rays a 4-3 lead.
- Was the recipient of the Al Lopez Award as the top Rays rookie in spring training...hit .350 (21-for-60) with 4 2B and a team-high 18 RBI.
- In 2009 played in 31 games, 23 starts (22-SS, 1-2B) over 3 stints...rated by BA the No. 5 prospect and top defensive infielder in the Rays org.

 #5 PAT BURRELL OF (.229, 2, 13)
 THU: DNP Current Hitting Streak: 1G (1-4)
 SEATTLE SERIES: 1-7, BB-2 vs. RH: .255 (15-51), 2-HR
 RISP: .235 (4-17)

- Singled in the 2nd inning Wed. night at Seattle off Cliff Lee his first of the season against a lefthander...had been 0-for-15 vs. LHP.
- 33-year-old has started 20 games, all at DH.
- Is 1-for-11 in his last 3 games, but has 13 RBI in his last 13 games (since April 16), including 5 multi-RBI games.
- Both of his HR this season have come with the game tied: hit a go-ahead, 3-run homer in the 3rd inning April 27 vs. OAK off Ben Sheets, breaking a 4-4 tie... also April 17 off Manny Delcarmen, a 2-run HR in the 12th over the Green Monster giving Rays a 3-1 win.
- Since joining the Rays has hit .180 (25-for-139) against LHP with 0 HR and a .224 SLG—more than 300 pct. points lower than his career .540 SLG off LHP entering 2009...before joining the Rays was a .276 hitter vs. LHP with 71 HR.
- In his career has seen 4.19 pitches per PA (6th most among active players; min. 3,000 PA).
- Spent his first 9 big league seasons with Philadelphia, where he ranks 3rd on the club's all-time HR list (251)...in his final 4 seasons (2005-08) with the Phillies, hit .262 with an average of 31 HR, 99 RBI and 103 BB.

#13 CARL CRAWFORD OF (.343, 3, 15) THU: 3-5, 2B, HR, 2-RBI Current Hitting Streak: 3G (6-13) THU: 3-5, 2B, HR, 2-RBI vs. LH: .244 (10-41), 2-HR SEATTLE SERIES: 6-13, 2-2B, 2-BB, HR, 2-RBI vs. RH: .406 (26-64) HR RISP: .474 (9-19)

- Is 13-for-29 (.448) in his last 8 games.
- Is batting .393 (24-61) in his last 15 games to raise his average from .273 to .343.
- Homered last night off SEA's Ian Snell...his first home run ever at SAFECO...has not homered in the next 2 stops on this road trip: Oakland Coliseum (106 ABs) or Angels Stadium (100 ABs)...for that matter has never homered in the state of California.
- His .406 average vs. right-handers is leading the AL.
- His .474 average with runners in scoring position is 2^{nd} in the AL.
- Was caught stealing in his last attempt last Sat. vs. KC...has been caught in his last 3 attempts and 4 times overall this season...in 2009, his 4th CS came on June 20 in his 41st attempt...last time he was caught in 3 straight was April 5-10, 2007.
- Tied for DET's Magglio Ordonez for the AL lead with 4 outfield assists.
- Opening Day (April 6 vs. BAL) hit a 2-run, walk-off double in the 9th inning off Mike Gonzalez...it was his 6th career walk-off hit, 1st off a LHP...his 1st career walk-off hit (March 31 vs. BOS, homer off Chad Fox) was also on Opening Day Rays only two OD walk-off victories.
- Ranks 4th among actives with 369 career SB (behind Juan Pierre-471, Omar Vizquel-389, Johnny Damon-375)...ranks 3rd among actives in career triples, only 2 3B behind co-leaders Jimmy Rollins and Johnny Damon (96).
- His .991 career fielding pct. is first among active LF (min. 1,000 G).
- In 2009 hit .305...set career highs with 60 SB (club record and 2nd in AL), 51 BB, .364 OBP...was 10th AL player ever with 60 SB and 60 RBI.
- Named MVP of the 2009 All-Star Game in St. Louis after robbing COL Brad Hawpe of a go-ahead HR in the 7th inning...is a 3-time All-Star.
- Reached his 1,000th career game last June 27 with 341 SB and 87 3B...in ML history, only Ty Cobb has matched those numbers thru 1,000 G.

• Is the longest-tenured Ray in club history...is the club's all-time leader in hits, at-bats, runs, stolen bases, triples, games and RBI.

#28 JOHN JASO C (.313, 1, 10) THU: 0-4, BB SEATTLE SERIES: 0-4, BB
Current Hitting Streak: --- vs. LH: .222 (2-9), HR vs. RH: .348 (8-23) RISP: .385 (5-13)

• 26-year-old rookie catcher has started 10 games and the Rays are 9-1 in those games.

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- Has 10 walks 2nd among AL rookies- and only 2 strikeouts.
- Is also 2nd among AL rookies with 10 RBI.
- Is 9th in the AL overall with a .385 average with runners in scoring position.
- Hit his first career homer April 24 vs. TOR, a 2-run shot off LH Ricky Romero to give the Rays a 2-1 lead...had a career-high 3 RBI.
- Was recalled April 13 from AAA Durham with Kelly Shoppach heading to the DL...had caught 3 games for Durham, hitting .364 (4-for-11).
- Career .291 hitter in parts of 8 minor league seasons...5-time minor league All-Star...BA rated his strike-zone discipline as the best in the org.

#19 GABE KAPLER OF (.229, 1, 6) THU: 1-2, RBI SEATTLE SERIES: 2-5, 2-RBI vs. LH: .276 (8-29), HR vs. RH: .000 (0-6) RISP: .333 (4-12)

- 34-year-old has started 11 games (10-RF, 1-LF)...12-year veteran made his 8th Opening Day roster...plays predominantly RF vs. LH pitching.
- Had a pair of RBI singles in the Seattle series including one off Cliff Lee on Wednesday.
- In 2 seasons as a Ray (2009-10) he has batted .276 (48-174) with 8 HRs, 31 RBI, 25 XBH vs. lefthanders and has batted .136 (9-66) with no homers, 2 RB, one extra base hit vs. righties.
- Over 2008-09, had a .304 (69-227) avg., .577 SLG (9th/MLB; min. 250 PA) and a .956 OPS (13th/MLB) vs. lefties.
- In interleague play, led all major leaguers with a .500 (11-for-22) avg., .586 OBP and 1.227 SLG...had 3 HR and 12 RBI.
- Came out of retirement in 2008 with the Brewers and hit .301 in 96 games...spent 2007 as the manager for Class-A Greenville (Red Sox).

#3 EVAN LONGORIA 3B (.349, 7, 23) THU: 1-5, 2B, RBI SEATTLE SERIES: 5-14, 2B, HR, 4-RBI vs. LH: .341 (14-41), 2-HR vs. RH: .353 (24-68), 5-HR RISP: .306 (11-36)

- Has a 12-game hitting streak (.429, 21-for-49), matching his career high (also 2009), the longest active streak in the majors and the Rays longest in 2010...has 8 multi-hit games during the streak.
- Has 4 home runs (9 RBI) in the last 8 games...his solo homer Sun. off KC Zack Greinke was the lone run in a 1-0 win.
- Leads the majors in runs scored (27)
- His .349 average is 5th in the AL.
- Also 3rd in the AL with 23 RBI.
- 24-year-old has started at 3B in all 28 games and hit cleanup in 26.
- Has 67 HRs and 221 RBI In his first 307 games...Albert Pujols had 69 home runs and 248 RBI after his first 307 games.
- On Opening Day vs. BAL hit the 3rd-longest HR in Tropicana Field history, a 473-ft. solo shot off Kevin Millwood...it landed in the first row of the tbt* Party Deck in LF, the 2nd homer ever to land in the LF party deck on the fly...first was Vinny Castilla on April 3, 2001 vs. BOS.
- In 2009 hit 33 HR, 44 2B, 113 RBI...only 3 others in ML history have reached those numbers in one season before the age of 24: Albert Pujols (twice), Alex Rodriguez and Hal Trosky...his 60 HR over his first 2 seasons rank 8th in ML history, behind 4 Hall of Famers and Pujols, Ryan Braun and Mark Teixeira...became 1 of 7 in ML history to reach the 30-HR/40-2B/100-RBI/100-R milestones in one season before age 24.
- 2009 Awards: Won both the Gold Glove and Silver Slugger for 3B in the AL...only 3 players in ML history have won both in the same season at a younger age: TEX Ivan Rodriguez (22 in 1994), SEA Ken Griffey Jr. (21 in 1991) and SD Benito Santiago (23 in 1988).
- All-Star Game: Was elected by the fans as the starting AL 3B...finished with the 3rd-most AL votes behind Derek Jeter and Joe Mauer...was unable to play due to an infection on the ring finger of his right hand...is a two-time All-Star.

#30 DIONER NAVARRO C (.164, 0, 2) THU: DNP SEATTLE SERIES: 2-7, 3-R, 2-BB vs. LH: .150 (3-20) vs. LH: .171 (6-35) RISP: 083 (1-12)

- 26-year-old switch-hitter has appeared in 16 games (14 starts) at catcher...1-for-8 (12.5%) in throwing out attempted base stealers.
- Has 3 hits in his last 9 ABs following an 0-for-21 skid.
- Had 2 hits in the Rays" 4-3 Opening Day win over Baltimore, but is 7-for-52 (.135).
- Served a 2-game suspension (Apr 27-28) for making contact with home plate umpire Dan Bellino on April 23 vs. TOR...was ejected for the first time of his career.
- **Spring training:** Hit .421 (8-for-19) in limited time (10 games) due to injuries...March 20 vs. MIN, suffered a bruised nerve in his left leg on a collision at the plate with Jacque Jones...did not return to a big league game until March 30.
- Last Oct 28, underwent surgery (Dr. Koco Eaton) to stabilize the ulnar nerve in his left elbow, but reported to camp healthy.
- In 2009 hit .218, 77 points lower than his All-Star 2008 season...hit .182 as a lefty, down from .308 in '08...hit .279 (39-140) from the right side...made 105 starts, all behind the plate...threw out 19 of 80 (23.7%) base stealers, down from 35.7% in 2008.

#23 CARLOS PEÑA 1B (.204, 5, 22) THU: 1-3, 2B, 2-BB SEATTLE SERIES: 1-13, BB-2, 2B vs. LH: .226 (7-31), 2-HR vs. RH: .203 (12-59), 3-HR RISP: .310 (9-29)

- Walked twice last night at Seattle giving him 305 as a Ray, tying Fred McGriff for the Rays all-time lead.
- Snapped an 0-for-25 slump with a double in his last at-bat last night ... first hit since April 29.
- Is tied for 5th in the AL with 22 RBI, one behind Evan Longoria.
- 31-year-old is in his 10th major league season, 4th with the Rays...his 121 HR as a Ray are 7 shy of Aubrey Huff's franchise record.
- Hit 3-run homers in consecutive at-bats April 13-14 at BAL...April 13, homered in the 10th (Matt Albers) to win it, 8-6.
- Most HR since 2007: Ryan Howard (145), Prince Fielder (133), Albert Pujols (123), Adam Dunn (123), Peña (121), Alex Rodriguez (121).
- In 2009 led AL with 39 HR (tied Mark Teixeira), the first Ray to do so...on Sep 7 at NYY was hit by a CC Sabathia pitch, breaking two fingers on his left hand...first player in the live ball era (since 1920) to lead his league in HR despite missing at least 25 games to end the season.
- Led the majors with a 12.08 AB/HR...was added to the All-Star Team by Joe Maddon as a replacement for Dustin Pedroia but DNP.

• His .227 average last year is the 2nd lowest ever by a league HR champion (NYM Dave Kingman hit .204 with 37 HR in 1982).

#1 SEAN RODRIGUEZ UTIL (.200, 1, 6) THU: DNP SEATTLE SERIES: 0-4, SF Current Hitting Streak: ---- vs. LH: .308 (4-13) vs. RH: .156 (5-32), HR RISP: 273 (3-11)

- 25-year-old has appeared in 14 games, including 11 starts (10-2B, 1-LF)...has also appeared in CF...made his first Opening Day roster.
- Is 2-for-his-last-15 with both hits coming last Sunday off 2009 Cy Young Award winner Zack Greinke.
- On April 21 at CWS, he collected a career-high 3 hits and 4 RBI, including his first HR as a Ray (3-run off Tony Pena).
- Set Rays spring training records in batting avg. (.460), runs (20) and hits (29)...also led club with 6 HR, 6 2B, .400 OBP and .873 SLG...played in 24 games at every posn. except P, C, 1B...led majors in runs scored and led the Grapefruit League in batting avg., hits and total bases (55).
- Appeared in 71 major league games over two seasons (2008-09) with the Angels...saw time at 2B, 3B, SS, LF, CF and RF.
- Five-time minor league All-Star...in 2009 combined to hit .294 (113-for-385) with 30 HR (T-7th in minors), 98 RBI, 87 R, 9 SB, 55 BB .397 OBP and .608 SLG (3rd in minors) in 108 games between Durham and Triple-A Salt Lake (Angels).
- Acquired from LAA last Sep 1 in the Scott Kazmir trade...drafted by LAA in 2003 (3rd round) out of Miami's G. Holmes Braddock High.

#2 B.J. UPTON OF (.240, 4, 17) THU: 1-4, 2B, RBI SEATTLE SERIES: 2-9. 2-RBI vs. LH: .242 (8-33), HR vs. RH: .239 (16-67), 3-HR RISP: .296 (8-27)

- Snapped an 0-for-17 stretch Wed night with an RBI single off Cliff Lee.
- 14 of his 17 RBI have come on the road.
- His 4 HR all came over a 5-game stretch (April 14-19)...belted a pair of home runs April 14 at BAL, his first homers of the season...his 2nd career multi-HR game (July 20, 2007 at NYY)...did not hit his 4th HR last year until June 16.
- Is 2nd on the team with 6 SB...ranked T-4th in the majors last season with 42 steals, his 2nd career 40-SB season...he and Crawford became the first teammates to steal 40-plus in the same season since the 1993 Angels (L. Polonia, C. Curtis) and Expos (M. Grissom, D. DeShields).
- Became first Ray to hit for the cycle on Oct 2 vs. NYY, going 5-for-6 with 6 RBI in a game started by CC Sabathia...reached it in the 5th inning.

• Had 33 OF assists from 2007-09, 9 more than any other major league center fielder.

#18 BEN ZOBRIST UTIL (.259, 0, 13) THU: 2-4, RBI, BB SEATTLE SERIES: 4-13, 2B, 3-RBI vs. LH: .250 (11-44) vs. RH: .266 (17-64) RISP: .242 (8-33)

Recorded his team-high 3rd bunt single of the season last night at Seattle, 2nd in as many nights.

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- Is 7-for-21 in May.
- 28-year-old switch-hitter has started 27 games (1-CF, 17-RF, 9-2B)...started at 7 different defensive positions last year.
- Has batted in the #3 hole for all but one start.
- Has gone 121 ABs since his last HR- last Oct 1 vs. BAL off Chris Waters.
- Is hitting .232 (17-for-73) since April 14, when his 16-game hitting streak (dating back to 2009) ended.
- On April 23 signed a contract extension for 3 years guaranteed (thru 2013) with club options for 2014 and 2015...if both options are exercised, the deal would be worth almost \$30 million...he will donate up to \$450,000 to the Rays Baseball Foundation as part of the deal.
- Breakout 2009 season (27 HR, 91 RBI) resulted in an 8th-place finish in the AL MVP vote, highest in club history... .948 OPS ranked 3rd in AL
- Named an AL All-Star by Joe Maddon, the first player ever selected after starting at 6 different posns…led Rays in BB, OBP and SLG.
- Tied with MIN Jason Kubel for the AL lead with 3 pinch-hit home runs last season, matching Bubba Trammell (2000) for the club mark

BULLPEN NOTES

#50 GRANT BALFOUR RH (0-0-0, 2.02 ERA, 11-G) Saves-Opps: 0-1 vs. LH: .250 (5-20), 0-HR Last App: 5/5 @SEA (1.0-IP, 1-H, 1-R, 1-ER, 1-BB, 1-SO) Long Relief App: 2.0, 3x-last 4/20 @ CWS vs. RH: .167 (5-30), 1-HR If Batter: .300 (3-10)

- Has 191 strikeouts in 160.2 innings in his Rays career.
- Opponents have batted only.195 (97-497) since the start of 2008.
- Has fanned almost 30% of the hitters (164 of 564) he has faced since the start of 2008
- Has not allowed an ER in 6 road apps this season (IP-6.1)
- In 2009, his first full season in the majors, appeared in 73 games—2nd most in Rays history (Shawn Camp had 75 in 2006) and T-7th in the AL.
- Opponents hit only .195 (87-for-447) in 2008-09 combined, tied with teammate J.P. Howell for 5th lowest in the majors.
- Ranks 2nd all time among Australian-born pitchers with 214 games pitched, behind Graeme Lloyd (568)...ATL Pete Moylan (201) is 3rd

- Pronounced wah-KEEN ben-WAH...32-year-old was selected from AAA Durham April 29...
- Has made 2 scoreless appearances fanning 3 of the 8 batters he's faced.
- Is a 9-year major league veteran who missed the entire 2009 season with a torn right rotator cuff...underwent surgery on Jan 27, 2009 by Dr. Timothy Kremchek in Cincinnati.
- Made his Rays debut the day of his callup (Apr 29). vs. KC ...struck out Alex Gordon, the first batter faced...was his first career app away from the Rangers...appeared in his first ML game since Sep 7, 2008 vs. BOS.
- Was 0-1 with 2 saves and a 2.79 ERA (9.2-IP, 8-H, 3-R/ER, 3-BB, 17-SO) in 8 relief apps for Durham.
- Spring training: Pitched in 8 games (1 start) for the Rays...totaled 0-0, 9.1 IP, 11 H, 6 R/ER, 3 BB, 11 SO, 2 HR.
- Signed with the Rays on Feb 17 as a minor league free agent...left the Rangers as the longest-tenured member of the organization (14 seasons)...went 30-26 with a 4.79 ERA in 273 games (55 starts) over parts of 8 seasons with Texas.

- 34-year-old made his 5th Opening Day roster, first with the Rays...has appeared in parts of 10 seasons with the Rays, D-backs and Yankees.
- Has allowed only 2 hits and one ER in 8.2 innings over 4 career appearances at Oakland Coliseum.
- Has pitched in a staff-high 13 games...has not allowed an ER in his last 8 apps...suffered his 2nd loss Apr 30. vs. KC, as his fielding error allowed Podsednik to reach base leading off the 9th and scored on a sac fly after Soriano entered...ended a string of 5 straight scoreless apps.
- Had a stretch of 3 apps (April 10-13) in which he totaled 0.2 IP, 8 H, 7 R/ER, 2 HR (allowed 8 hits to 11 batters faced).
- April 12 at BAL, allowed a pinch-hit HR to Luke Scott to send game into extras...allowed just one HR to a left-handed hitter all of last year.
- In 2009 made 61 apps and was 5-for-5 in save opps...had his contract selected from Durham on May 25...led majors with 29 one-batter relief apps...allowed 9 of 57 (15.8%) inherited runners to score, 2nd best in AL...held lefties to a .141 avg. (11-78), 5th in the majors (min. 75 AB).

#31 LANCE CORMIER RH (2-1-0, 4.22 ERA, 10-G) Saves-Opps: 0-0 vs. LH: .250 (7-28), 0-HR Last App: 5/1 vs. KC (L, 1.0-IP, 2-H, 2-R/ER, 3-BB, 1-IBB) Long Relief App: 3.0, 4/17 @ BOS vs. RH: .286 (4-14), 0-HR 1st Batter: .100 (1-10)

- 29-year-old begins his 7th major league season.
- Suffered the loss Sat vs. KC, entering in the 11th inning...retired the first 2 hitters, then loaded bases with a single and 2 BB...then allowed a bases-loaded double to Alberto Callaspo, scoring two runs.
- Leads Rays relievers with 2 wins...worked a season-high 3 innings April 17 at BOS as the suspended game resumed, and earned the 3-1 win, his 2nd of the season and the trip...also recorded the win April 12 at BAL with a scoreless 9th.
- Led Rays relievers with 77.1 IP in 2009 (10th/AL)...was used as the long man out of the Rays pen, with 15 of 53 outings lasting 2 IP or more

#21 ANDY SONNANSTINE RH (0-0-0, 2.70 ERA, 9-G) Saves-Opps: 0-0 vs. LH: .217 (5-23), 1-HR IR-RS: 1-1 Last App: 5/6 @SEA (1.0-IP, 1-SO) Long Relief App: 3.1, 4/8 vs. BAL vs. RH: .179 (5-28), 3-HR 1st Batter: .111 (1-9)

- 27-year-old is in his 4th season with the Rays, first in the bullpen...entered the year with only 4 career relief appearances in the majors, all coming last fall.
- Has held opponents to a .196 (10-51) average after they hit .311 off him last year in 22 games, 18 starts.
- 4 of those 10 hits are home runs, tied with KC's Luis Mendoz for most among AL relievers.
- Has pitched in 9 games, 4 of those 2+ innings.
- Competed with Wade Davis in spring training for the final rotation spot...made 6 apps (2 starts), compiling a 3.21 ERA (14-IP, 5-ER).
- Began 2009 as the No. 4 starter but was optioned to Durham on June 27 after going 6-7 with a 6.61 ERA in 15 starts...was replaced by Scott Kazmir in the rotation, who was coming off a DL stint...rejoined Rays on Sep 1 after Kazmir was traded to the Angels.

 #29 RAFAEL SORIANO RH (1-0-7, 2.25 ERA, 12-G)
 Saves-Opps: 7-7
 vs. LH: .267 (4-15), 0-HR
 IR-Rs: 3-2

 Last App: 5/4 @. SEA (SV, 1.0-IP, 1-BB, 2-SO)
 Long Relief App: 1.0, 12x-last 5/4 @SEA
 vs. RH: .222 (6-27), 1-HR
 IR-Rs: 3-2

- 30-year-old closer was acquired on Dec 11 from Atlanta for Jesse Chavez...this is his 9th season in the majors, 2nd as a full-time closer.
- Is 7-for-7 in save chances... in the AL only Jonathan Papelbon and TOR's Kevin Gregg (both 8-8) has more saves without a blown opportunity.
- Opponents are hitting .188 (6-32) over his last 10 app's.
- April 17 at BOS, earned the save in both the resumed game and the regularly scheduled contest...is the first Ray to collect 2 saves in one day.
- Made Rays debut Opening Day (April 6) vs. BAL, entering in the 9th with the Rays trailing 3-2...picked up the victory after Rays walk-off win.
- In 2009 set a career high with 27 saves in 31 opps...102 SO (in only 75.2 IP) ranked 2nd among ML relievers (LAD Jonathan Broxton, 114)...his 12.13 SO/9-IP ranked 3rd in the majors...led all major league relievers with a .138 (20-for-145) opp avg. vs. right handed hitters.
- Has held RH hitters to a lifetime .171 avg., lowest among active pitchers (min. 500 BF)...his career .201 opp avg. overall is 8th among actives

#35 DAN WHEELER RH (1-0-0, 2.08 ERA, 11-G) Saves-Opps: 0-0 vs. LH: .167 (1-6), 0-HR Last App: 5/2 vs. KC (0.1-IP, 1-SO) Long Relief App: 1.2, 4/8 vs. BAL vs. RH: .125 (3-24), 1-HR 1st Batter: .273 (3-11)

- 32-year-old veteran is in his 11th season in the majors, 6th with the Rays.
- Opponents are hitting .133 (4-30), 5th lowest among relievers in the AL.
- Starting with 2008 he has held opponents to a .189 average (90-476).
- Appeared in 3 of 4 games vs. KC including Sun., when he struck out Billy Butler, his only batter faced...pitched a perfect 10th Sat. with 2 SO.
- Earned the win on April 24 vs. TOR...relieved Cormier in the 8th with 2 out and men on 1st and 3rd...struck out Alex Gonzalez to end the inning.
- His 365 apps since 2005 are 5th most in the majors...in 2009 finished one 1 shy of his 5th consecutive season of 70+ apps.
- In 2009 his 1.40 BB/9 IP led AL relievers...his 5.0 SO/BB ratio (45 to 9) was 5th best among ML relievers... his 7.80 base runners per 9 IP was 2nd among AL relievers behind NYY Phil Hughes.
- Spent parts of 3 seasons (1999–2001) with the Rays...also pitched for the Mets and the Astros...Rays drafted him in 1996 (34th round).

RAYS PITCHING BY THE NUMBERS

	W-L-S	G	ERA	IP	H	ER	BB	SO	HR
Totals	21-7-7	28	2.84	257.0	208	81	85	210	28
Starters	17-3-0	28	2.51	183.0	145	51	62	155	19
Relievers	4-4-7	27	3.65	74.0	63	30	23	55	9
Home	9-6-3	15	3.55	137.0	123	54	49	120	14
Road	12-1-4	13	2.19	120.0	85	27	36	90	14
May	4-1-2	5	1.91	47.0	28	10	17	39	2

		5	SUPPORT FOR STAR	TERS		
PITCHER	STARTS	RUNS	RUNS/START	CLUB RECORD	QUALITY STARTS	
DAVIS	5	22	4.40	4-1	2	
GARZA	6	35	5.83	5-1	5	
NIEMANN	6	24	4.00	4-2	5	
PRICE	5	27	5.40	3-2	4	
SHIELDS	6	32	5.33	5-1	4	
*Runs scored while starter is in game						

RAYS BY THE NUMBERS

Current Streak: W4 When commit error: 10-2 Hit homer: 17-3 Current Record: 21-7 **Ahead after 6-7-8:** 17-1/17-0/17-0 Homer with men on: 10-0 Home/Road: 9-6/12-1 **Behind after 6-7-8:** 3-5/3-5/1-5 Hit multiple homers: 6-1 Day/Night: 5-2/16-5 **Tied after 6-7-8:** 1-1/1-2/2-2 Score first: 12-3 Grass/Turf: 12-1/9-6 1-run games: 4-3 Score 5 or more: 16-1 Score less than 5: 4-6 vs. East: 12-4 **2-run games:** 3-1 vs. Central: 4-3 Extra innings: 2-1 Outhit opponents: 17-0 vs. West: 5-0 Win in last at-bat: 1-0 Outhit by opponents: 3-6 vs. National League: 0-0 Collect 10 or more hits: 15-0 Come-from-behind wins: 9 vs. RH/LH starters: 13-3/8-4 Opp. come-from-behind wins: 4 Opp. 10 or more hits: 4-3 Wearing white/gray/navy/lt. blue: 7-5/10-1/1-0/3-1 Series W-L-T (home): 3-1-1 Series W-L-T (road): 4-0-0

	LAST HR	'10 MOST HITS GAME	'10 MOST RBI GAME
Aybar	4/23/10 vs. TOR (B Cecil)	3, 4/28 vs. OAK	2, 2x-last 5/6 @ SEA
Bartlett	9/9/09 @ NYY (J Chamberlain)	4, 4/19 @ BOS	3, 4/29 vs. KC
Brignac	4/27/10 vs. OAK (B Sheets)	2, 3x-last 4/29 vs. KC	3, 4/29 vs. KC
Burrell	4/27/10 vs. OAK (B Sheets)	3, 4/19 @ BOS	3, 2x-last 4/27 @ vs. OAK
Crawford	5/6/10 @ SEA (I Snell)	4, 2x-last 4/29 vs. KC	2, 4x-last 5/6 @ SEA
Jaso	4/24/10 vs. TOR (R Romero)	3, 4/27 vs. OAK	3, 4/24 vs. TOR
Kapler	4/23/10 vs. TOR (B Cecil)	1, 5x-last 4/24 vs. TOR	2, 4/23 vs. TOR
Longoria	5/4/10 @ SEA (J Vargas)	3, 2x-last 5/4 @ SEA	3, 4/7 vs. BAL
Navarro	10/3/09 vs. NYY (A Pettitte)	2, 4/6 vs. BAL	1, 2x-last 4/9 vs. NYY
Peña	4/28/10 vs. OAK (B Kilby)	3, 4/13 @ BAL	4, 2x, last 4/22 @ CWS
Rodriguez	4/21/10 @ CWS (T Peña)	3, 4/21 @ BAL	4, 4/21 @ CWS
Upton	4/19/10 @ BOS (J Lackey)	2, 6x-last 4/28 vs. OAK	4, 4/14 @ BAL
Zobrist	10/1/09 vs. BAL (C Waters)	3, 4/22 @ CWS	2, 2x-last 4/24 vs. TOR

HOME RUNS (27)

Solo (14): Longoria-7, Brignac-2, Crawford-2, Peña-1, Upton-1, Aybar-1 2-Run (7): Peña-2, Aybar-1, Burrell-1, Jaso-1, Kapler-1, Upton-1, Crawford-1

3-Run (6): Peña-2, Upton-2, Burrell-1, Rodriguez-1

Grand Slams (0): None

Back-to-Back (1): Longoria/Peña-1 (4/28 vs. OAK, B Kilby)

2-HR games (1): Upton-1 (4/14 @ BAL)

Pinch-Hit (0): None Walk-off (0): None Lead-off (0): None

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TEAM
Long Win Streak
Long Loss Streak
Most runs game, TB
Most runs game, Opp 10, 4/10 vs. NYY
Most runs inn, TB
Most runs, inning, Opp4, 5x-last (3 rd inn) 4/27 vs. OAK
Most hits game, TB
Most hits game, Opp
Most hits, inning, TB
Most hits, inning, Opp4, 2x-last (3 rd inn) 4/27 vs. OAK
Most doubles, gm, TB
Most doubles, gm, Opp6, 4/23 vs. TOR
Most HR, game, TB
Most HR, game, Opp
Most x-base hits, game, TB
Most x-base hits, game, Opp 7, 2x-last 4/23 vs. TOR
Most stolen bases, game, TB4, 4/17 @ BOS
Most stolen bases, game, Opp
Most walks, game, TB
Most walks, game, Opp 8, 4/10 vs. NYY
Most strikeouts game, TB
Most strikeouts, game, Opp
Most LOB, game, TB
Most LOB, Opp 11, 4/23 vs. TOR
Most errors, game, TB
Most errors game, Opp4, 5/4 @ SEA
Longest game, time
Longest game, time (9 innings)3:22, 4/8 vs. BAL

INDIVIDUAL BATTING

INDIVIDUAL BATTING	
Most runs game, TB	
Most runs game, Opp	2, 6x-last Gutierrez, 5/6 @ SEA
Most hits game, TB	4, 2x-last Crawford, 4/29 vs. KC
	st Pennington/Rosales, 4/27 vs. OAK
Most 2B game, TB	2, 5x-last Crawford, 4/29 vs. KC
Most 2B game, Opp	3, Bautista, 4/23 vs. TOR
Most HR game, TB	
Most HR game, Opp	
	4, 4x-last Peña, 4/22 @ CWS
	4, Pennington, 4/27 vs. OAK
	3, Crawford 4/29 vs. KC
	3, 2x-last Pennington, 4/27 vs. OAK
	1, 24x-last Kapler, 5/6 @ SEA
Most steals, game, Opp 1, 1	1x-last Podsednik/Bloomquist, 5/1 vs. KC
Hitting Streak	12, Longoria, 4/23-Current
TEAM/INDIVIDUAL PITC	HING
Most SO, TB Starter	12, Shields 4/28 vs. OAK
Most SO, Opp. Starter	8, 4x-last Morrow, 4/24 vs. TOR
	2, 10x-last Wheeler, 5/1 vs. KC
	3.1, Sonnastine, 4/8 vs. BAL
	4, 5x-last Niemann 4/30 vs. KC
	12, 4/28 vs. OAK
Low-Hit Game	3, 5/2 vs. KC
	16.0, Garza 4/12-4/18
	2:13, 5/2 vs. KC
	2:13, 5/2 vs. KC

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W-L REC	ORD		BY F	OSIT	ION (STAF	RTS)			BY BATTING ORDER (STARTS)								
	C	1B	2B	3B	SS	LF	CF	RF	DH	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Aybar		0-1							7-1						1-1	6-1		
Bartlett					18-7					18-7								
Brignac			8-1		3-0					1-0							5-1	5-0
Burrell									14-6						1-0	13-6		
Crawford						19-7					19-7							
Jaso	9-1															1-0	6-1	2-0
Kapler						1-0		7-4							1-0	1-0	2-1	4-3
Longoria				21-7								2-0	19-7					
Navarro	11-4																6-3	5-1
Peña		21-6											2-0	19-6				
Rodriguez			8-2			1-0				2-0	1-0						1-0	5-2
Shoppach	1-2																1-1	0-1
Upton							20-7							2-1	18-6			
Zobrist			5-4				1-0	14-3			1-0	19-7						

RUNS BY INNING												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	X	Total	
Орр	10	5	7	11	5	16	9	10	9	3	85	
TB	11	17	27	19	25	20	7	30	7	5	168	

RAYS vs. ATHLETICS													
BATTING		2010								CARE	ER		
·	AVG	AB	Н	HR	RBI		A	VG	AB	H	HR	RBI	
Aybar	.750	4	3	0	0		.26	59	52	14	3	7	
Bartlett	.500	8	4	0	3		.28	33	113	32	1	11	
Brignac	.167	6	1	1	2		.16	57	6	1	1	2	
Burrell	.250	4	1	1	3		.21	18	55	12	3	12	
Crawford	.250	8	2	0	0		.28	35	253	72	2	25	
Jaso	.500	6	3	0	3		.50	00	6	3	0	3	
Kapler	.500	2	1	0	0		.28	33	184	52	2	23	
Longoria	.333	9	3	1	2		.26	54	74	19	4	8	
Navarro	-	-	-	-	-		.21	16	88	19	1	11	
Peña	.429	7	3	1	3		.23	38	206	49	17	35	
Rodriguez	.000	1	0	0	0		.06	53	16	1	0	0	
Upton	.500	8	4	0	0		.27	71	170	46	6	16	
Zobrist	.125	8	1	0	0		.26	53	76	20	2	11	
<u>PITCHING</u>		2010								CARE	ER		
1110111.10	WLS	ERA	G	IP	H	ER	w	LS	ERA	G	IP	Н	ER
Balfour	0-0-0	0.00	1	1.0	1	0		0-0	3.00	10	9.0	10	3
Benoit	-	-	_	-	_	-		1-0	3.91	30	48.1	33	21
Choate	0-0-0	0.00	1	1.1	0	0		0-0	1.46	10	12.1	4	2
Cormier	0-0-0	13.50	1	0.2	3	1	0-	1-0	1.86	7	9.2	7	2
Davis	1-0-0	7.20	1	5.0	7	4		0-0	7.20	1	5.0	7	4
Garza	_	-	_	-	-	-	0-3	3-0	3.70	4	24.1	26	10
Niemann	_	_	_	-	_	-	2-0	0-0	1.59	2	17.0	15	3
Price	_	_	_	_	_	_	_		-	_	_	_	_
Shields	1-0-0	1.29	1	7.0	6	1	4-	1-0	3.59	9	62.2	55	25
Sonnanstine	0-0-0	4.50	1	2.0	4	1		3-0	6.60	6	30.0	39	22
Soriano	0-0-1	0.00	1	1.0	0	0		2-1	3.63	14	22.1	17	9
Wheeler	-	-	-	-	-	-		4-0	6.14	15	22.0	25	15

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{RAYS HITTERS AT THE COLISEUM (Avg.-AB-H-HR-RBI)} \\ \textbf{--Aybar} \ (.190-21-4-0-2) \dots \textbf{Bartlett} \ (.262-42-11-0-0) \dots \textbf{Brignac} \ (----) \dots \textbf{Burrell} \\ (.156-32-5-1-3) \dots \textbf{Crawford} \ (.245-106-26-0-2) \dots \textbf{Jaso} \ (----) \dots \textbf{Kapler} \ (.305-82-25-1-9) \dots \textbf{Longoria} \ (.273-22-6-1-3) \dots \textbf{Navarro} \ (.233-43-10-0-7) \dots \textbf{Peña} \ (.240-150-36-12-28) \dots \textbf{Rodriguez} \ (.100-10-1-0-0) \dots \textbf{Upton} \ (.239-67-16-2-6) \dots \textbf{Zobrist} \ (.212-33-7-0-2) \end{array}$

	2010 TRANSACTIONS
March 8	Signed INF Hank Blalock to a minor league contract.
March 11	Optioned LHP Jake McGee to the minor leagues; reassigned C Nevin Ashley and SS Tim Beckham to minor league camp.
March 13	Reassigned LHP Jason Cromer, LHP R.J. Swindle and C Craig Albernaz to minor league camp.
March 16	Optioned RHP Jeremy Hellickson, OF Desmond Jennings and LHP Alex Torres to the minor leagues.
March 17	Optioned C John Jaso , C Jose Lobaton and OF Fernando Perez to the minor leagues; reassigned 1B Chris Richard to AAA Durham.
March 24	Optioned OF Justin Ruggiano to AAA Durham; reassigned RHP Winston Abreu , RHP Joe Bateman , RHP Jeff Bennett , INF Angel Chavez , RHP Richard De Los Santos , INF J.J. Furmaniak , LHP Carlos Hernandez , LHP Heath Phillips and 1B
M1 20	Ryan Shealy to minor league camp; INF/OF Dan Johnson removed from 40-man roster.
March 30	Outrighted INF/OF Dan Johnson to AAA Durham; optioned RHP Dale Thayer to Durham; reassigned RHP Heath Rollins to minor league camp.
March 31	Reassigned C Alvin Colina and INF Joe Dillon to minor league camp.
April 1	Placed OF Matt Joyce (right elbow strain) on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 26; INF/OF Elliot Johnson removed from
	40-man roster.
April 4	Placed LHP J.P. Howell (left shoulder strain) on the 15-day DL, retroactive to March 26; reassigned RHP Joaquin Benoit and
	INF Hank Blalock to minor league camp; outrighted INF/OF Elliot Johnson to AAA Durham.
	OPENING DAY ROSTER
Pitchers (12):	RH Grant Balfour, LH Randy Choate, RH Lance Cormier, RH Wade Davis, RH Mike Ekstrom, RH Matt Garza,
	RH Jeff Niemann, LH David Price, RH James Shields, RH Andy Sonnanstine, RH Rafael Soriano, RH Dan Wheeler
Catchers (2):	Dioner Navarro, Kelly Shoppach
Infielders (7):	Willy Aybar, Jason Bartlett, Reid Brignac, Evan Longoria, Carlos Pena, Sean Rodriguez, Ben Zobrist
Outfielders (4):	Pat Burrell, Carl Crawford, Gabe Kapler, B.J. Upton
DL (2):	J.P. Howell (15-day), Matt Joyce (15-day)

April 13 Placed C Kelly Shoppach (right knee sprain) on the 15-day DL, retroactive to April 11; recalled C John Jaso from AAA

April 27 C Dioner Navarro suspended for two games; recalled C Jose Lobaton from AAA Durham; optioned RHP Mike Ekstrom to

Durham.

April 29 Reinstated C Dioner Navarro from his suspension; optioned C Jose Lobaton to AAA Durham; selected RHP Joaquin Benoit

from Durham.

	RAYS ON THE DISABLED LIST												
Pos.	Player	DL	Injury	Date on	Retro	First Date Off	Gms Missed	Record					
LHP	J.P. Howell	15-day	Left shoulder strain	April 4	March 26	April 10	28	21-7					
OF	Matt Joyce	15-day	Right elbow strain	April 1	March 26	April 10	28	21-7					
C	Kelly Shoppach	15-day	Right knee sprain	April 13	April 11	April 26	21	17-4					
Others	s (Games Missed): N/A	•		-	-	•							

FAIR BALLS OFF THE TROPICANA FIELD CATWALKS

April 11...TB Evan Longoria single off a speaker on the "B" ring catwalk above home plate...off A.J. Burnett

GAME-TYING AND GO-AHEAD RBI—Peña-6, Burrell-6, Crawford-5, Longoria-5, Zobrist-4, Bartlett-3, Jaso-3, Brignac-2, Upton-2, Navarro-1

CATCHER'S EFFICIENCY—Jaso .000 (0-5, 1-E, 1-PB), Navarro .167 (1-6, 1-E, 0-PB), Shoppach .250 (1-4, 0-E, 1-PB)

OUTFIELD ASSISTS—Crawford-4, Zobrist-2

<u>INFIELD HITS</u>— Crawford-5, Peña-5, Longoria-4, Zobrist-2, Aybar-1, Brignac-1, Rodriguez-1

BUNT SINGLES — Zobrist-3, Aybar-1, Peña-1

EJECTIONS—Navarro-1 (4/23 vs. TOR)

WEB GEMS (As chosen by Rays PR staff) — Longoria-10, Crawford-5 Upton-2, Brignac-1, Kapler-1, Peña-1, Zobrist-1

					RAYS 2	2010 DAY-BY-DAY	Y				
		H/R			Winning	Losing		Pos.		Home	Road
No.	Date	D/N	W/L	Score/Opp	Pitcher	Pitcher	Rec.	GA/GB	Att.	Cum.	Cum.
1	4/6	H/N	W	4-3/BAL	Soriano (1-0)	Gonzalez (0-1)	1-0	1/+0.5	36,973	36,973	
2	4/7	H/N	W	4-3/BAL	Garza (1-0)	Guthrie (0-1)	2-0	1/+0.5	15,220	52,193	
3	4/8	H/N	L	4-5/BAL	Matusz (1-0)	Ekstrom (0-1)	2-1	T-1/+1.0	16,191	68,384	
4	4/9	H/N	W	9-3/NYY	Price (1-0)	Vazquez (0-1)	3-1	T-1/+1.0	33,221	101,605	
5	4/10	H/D	L	0-10/NYY	Sabathia (1-0)	Davis (0-1)	3-2	T-2/-1.0	29,892	131,497	
6	4/11	H/D	L	3-7/NYY	Burnett (1-0)	Choate (0-1)	3-3	T-3/-2.0	31,253	162,750	
7	4/12	R/N	W	4-3/BAL	Garza (2-0)	Guthrie (0-2)	4-3	3/-1.0	9,129		9,129
8	4/13	R/N	W	8-6/BAL (10)	Cormier (1-0)	Albers (0-1)	5-3	3/-1.0	13,731		22,860
9	4/14	R/D	W	9-1/BAL	Price (2-0)	Bergesen (0-1)	6-3	T-1/+0.5	10,248		33,108
	4/15				OFF (1)		6-3	T-2/-0.5			
	4/16	R/N		/BOS	Game Suspended b	ottom 9 th tied 1-1	6-3	2/-0.5	37,084		70,192
10	4/17	R/N	W	3-1/BOS (12)	Cormier (2-0)	Delcarmen (0-1)	7-3	2/-0.5	37,085		107,277
11	4/17	R/N	W	6-5/BOS	Shields (1-0)	Buchholz (1-1)	8-3	T-1/+1.5	37,022		144,299
12	4/18	R/D	W	7-1/BOS	Garza (3-0)	Lester (0-2)	9-3	T-1/+2.5	37,143		181,422
13	4/19	R/D	W	8-2/BOS	Niemann (1-0)	Lackey (1-1)	10-3	1/+0.5	37,609		219,031
14	4/20	R/N	L	1-4/CWS	Danks (2-0)	Price (2-1)	10-4	2/-0.5	19,260		238,291
15	4/21	R/N	W	12-0/CWS	Davis (1-1)	Buehrle (2-2)	11-4	2/-0.5	17,023		255,314
16	4/22	R/N	W	10-2/CWS	Shields (2-0)	Peavy (0-1)	12-4	1/+0.5	18,207		273,521
17	4/23	H/N	L	5-6/TOR	Cecil (1-0)	Garza (3-1)	12-5	1/+0.5	22,056	184,806	
18	4/24	H/N	W	9-3/TOR	Wheeler (1-0)	Downs (0-2)	13-5	1/+0.5	23,870	208,676	
19	4/25	H/D	W	6-0/TOR	Price (3-1)	Morrow (1-2)	14-5	1/+1.5	23,250	231,926	
	4/26				OFF (2)		14-5	1/+1.5			
20	4/27	H/N	W	8-6/OAK	Davis (2-1)	Sheets (1-2)	15-5	1/+2.5	10,825	242,751	
21	4/28	H/N	W	10-3/OAK	Shields (3-1)	Braden (3-1)	16-5	1/+2.5	10,691	253,442	
22	4/29	H/N	W	11-1/KC	Garza (4-1)	Hochevar (2-1)	17-5	1/+2.5	12,766	266,208	
23	4/30	H/N	L	2-3/KC	Rupe (1-1)	Choate (0-2)	17-6	1/+1.5	25,195	291,403	
	IL 17-6 (8										
24	5/1	H/N	L	2-4/KC	Tejeda (2-2)	Cormier (2-1)	17-7	1/+1.5	34,813	326,216	
25	5/2	H/D	W	1-0/KC	Davis (3-1)	Greinke (0-3)	18-7	1/+1.5	19,757	345,973	
	5/3				OFF (3)		18-7	1/+1.0			
26	5/4	R/N	W	5-2/SEA	Shields (4-0)	Vargas (2-2)	19-7	1/+1.0	15,589		289,110
27	5/5	R/N	W	8-3/SEA	Garza (5-1)	Lee (0-1)	20-7	1/+1.0	14,627		303,737
28	5/6	R/N	W	8-0/SEA	Niemann (2-0)	Rowland-Smith (0-2)	21-7	1/+1.5	17,617		321,354
MAY	Y 4-1 (1-1	Home, 3	-0 Road)							

ТО	MORRO	ow's	PRO	BAE	LE-	- RH \	WADE	DAN	/IS (3-1,	2.79			
	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	IP	Н	R	ER	BB	so	HR	Opp Avg.
2010 Season	3-1	2.79	5	5	0	0	29.0	21	9	9	16	22	3	.208
2009 Season (Rays)	2-2	3.72	6	6	1	1	36.1	33	19	15	13	36	2	.243
2009 Season (AAA Durham)	10-8	3.40	28	28	0	0	158.2	139	71	60	60	140	14	.231
Career Minor League	51-39	3.28	138	138	2	1	767.1	680	335	280	283	745	52	.238
Career Major League Totals	5-3	3.31	11	11	1	1	65.1	54	28	24	29	58	5	.228
		TO	MORR	ow's	STA	RT & C	AREER	NOTE	S					

- Twenty-four-year-old rookie righthander will make his 6th start of the season, 12th major league start, 2nd against Oakland.
- Rays are 4-1 in his 5 starts, despite the fact that he has faced all opening day starters (NYY CC Sabathia, BOS Josh Beckett, CWS Mark Buehrle, OAK Ben Sheets, KC Zack Greinke) who have a combined 15 All-Star selections.
- Lost to Sabathia in his first start, but the Rays have won his last 4 outings.
- Among AL rookies, he leads in ERA (2.79), opponents batting average (.208), is tied for the lead in wins (tied with CLE Mitch Talbot) and is 2nd in strikeouts (22).
- Is 12th overall in the AL in ERA.
- Last start: He bested reigning AL Cy Young Award winner Zack Greinke, 1-0, last Sunday at Tropicana Field...his line: IP-7.0, H-3, BB-3,
- SO-5, 102 pitches)...Rays won it on Evan Longoria's 4th inning home run

 Vs. Oakland: Faced Oakland at home on April 27 and won 8-6...5 IP, 7 H, 4 R/ER, 2 BB, 4 SO, 1 HR...95 pit, 58 str...was spotted a 4-0 lead in the 2nd inning, but gave back all 4 runs during a 41-pitch 3rd inning, including Cliff Pennington's 3-run homer...Rays scored 3 more in the bottom of the 3rd on Pat Burrell's homer, making it 7-4.