



OAKLAND ATHLETICS

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POSTSEASON BESTS

MOST POSTSEASON WINS

220	Yankees
110	Cardinals
79	Red Sox
78	Athletics
77	Braves

MOST DIVISION SERIES WINS

41	Yankees
26	Braves
23	Cardinals
17	Indians
16	Red Sox
14	Athletics

MOST DIVISION SERIES APPEARANCES

18	Yankees
12	Braves
10	Cardinals
9	Red Sox
7	Athletics
7	Indians
7	Astros
7	Dodgers

MOST DIVISION TITLES

18	Yankees
16	Braves
15	Athletics
11	four teams tied

MOST POST SEASON APPEARANCES

51	Yankees
26	Dodgers
25	Cardinals
24	Athletics
24	Giants

A's vs. TIGERS

The A's lost the season series to Detroit, 3-4...the Tigers were one of two American League teams the A's had a losing record against (Kansas City, 4-5)...lost two of three in Detroit and split four games in Oakland...the pitching staff posted a 5.46 ERA against Detroit, which was their highest mark against an American League team this year...over the last six years, the A's have won two season series, lost two and split two...are 27-24 against Detroit since 2007...since moving to Oakland in 1968, the A's are 239-232 against the Tigers...that includes 133-103 in Oakland, 104-127 in Detroit and 2-2 in Las Vegas...are 27-21 in Comerica Park...all-time, the A's are 909-985 against the Tigers.

THIS DATE IN A's HISTORY

In **1930** George Earnshaw and Lefty Grove combine to shutout St. Louis 2-0 on three hits in Game 5 of the World Series...in **1931** George Earnshaw tosses a 3-0 shutout against St. Louis to even the World Series at two games each...in **1974** Ken Holtzman tosses a five-hit, 5-0 shutout against Baltimore in Game 2 of the ALCS...Ray Fosse singles, doubles, homers and drives in three runs in the A's win...in **1981** Mike Norris pitches a four-hit shutout as the A's defeat Kansas City 4-0 in the first game of the Division Series...in **1988** Walt Weiss' two-out ninth inning single breaks a 3-3 tie and lifts the A's to a 4-3 win at Fenway Park in Game 2 of the ALCS against Boston...in **1991** after trailing 1-0 after six innings in Game 1 of the ALCS at Boston, the A's score nine runs in the final three innings for a 9-1 win...Dave Stewart allows just one run in eight innings for the win...in **2006** Marco Scutaro ties an A's post season record with four RBI as Oakland defeats Minnesota 8-3 to sweep the ALDS

OAKLAND ATHLETICS (0-0) VS. DETROIT TIGERS (0-0)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2012 – COMERICA PARK – 6:07 P.M. EDT
RHP JARROD PARKER (13-8, 3.47 IN 2012) VS. RHP JUSTIN VERLANDER (17-8, 2.64)
TBS – A'S RADIO NETWORK (95.7 FM THE GAME) – EN ESPAÑOL (KIQI 1010 AM)

ABOUT THE A's

ABOUT THE A'S: The A's return to postseason play tonight for the first time since 2006 after finishing the regular season with a six-game winning streak...this is the A's seventh appearance in the Division Series, which is tied for fifth most all-time...have won two ALDS, both sweeps (1981 vs. Kansas City, 2006 vs. Minnesota)...lost four straight from 2000-03 with each of those series lasting the full five games (2000-01 vs. New York, 2002 vs. Minnesota, 2003 vs. Boston)...have a 14-12 (.538) record in the Division Series and the 14 wins are sixth most all-time...have won each of their last three Division Series games after sweeping the Twins in their last appearance in 2006

FOR OPENERS: This is the A's 32nd postseason series, the 24th in Oakland history...have an all-time record of 19-12 in Game 1, including 5-1 in the Division Series...the only time the A's lost the first game of a Division Series was in 2002 against Minnesota...have an 11-7 record when opening a postseason series on the road, including 3-0 in the Division Series.

A's AND TIGERS IN THE POSTSEASON: This is the A's second consecutive postseason series against the Tigers as Oakland's last postseason series was the 2006 American League Championship Series...were swept by Detroit in four games that year...none of the players on the A's Division Series roster were with the club that year and only two were in the A's organization (Figueroa and Pennington)...the A's and Detroit also met in the 1972 American League Championship series, which the A's won three games to two en route to their first World Championship in Oakland...the A's are 3-6 (.333) against Detroit in the postseason...the only team the A's have a worse postseason record against is the Yankees (4-9, .308).

POSTSEASON PLAY: The A's have a 78-69 (.531) record all-time in the postseason...the 78 wins are fourth most by any team...only the Yankees (220), Cardinals (110) and Red Sox (79) have more...have lost seven of their last eight postseason series, dating back to the 1990 World Series...are 13-24 (.351) over that span with the only series win coming in the 2006 ALDS against Minnesota...have lost five of their last seven postseason road games...this is the A's sixth postseason appearance over the last 13 years...have five American League West championships and one Wild Card appearance over that span...now have 15 Division Titles...only the Yankees (18) and Braves (16) have more division championships...this is the 24th postseason appearance in franchise history, which includes 16 with Oakland and eight with Philadelphia...only the Yankees (51), Dodgers (26) and Cardinals (25) have more...the A's have won 15 American League West Division Titles, six American League Pennants and five World Championships in 45 seasons in Oakland...have won nine World Championships (five in Philadelphia, four in Oakland), a total surpassed only by the Yankees (27) and Cardinals (11)...the A's also have 15 American League Championships (nine in Philadelphia, six in Oakland)

POSTSEASON EXPERIENCE: Eight of the 25 players on the A's Division Series roster have postseason experience (Balfour, Crisp, Drew, Gomes, Kottaras, Neshek, Parker, Smith)...the three pitchers have a combined 18 games pitched and the five hitters have 41 games played...Grant Balfour has the most postseason appearances with this being his fourth (2004 with Minnesota, 2008 and 2010 with Tampa Bay)...Coco Crisp and Seth Smith will be playing in their third postseason while the other five had just one year entering 2012...five of the players have gone on to play in the LCS (Balfour, Crisp, Drew, Kottaras, Smith) and three have played in the World Series (Balfour, Crisp, Smith)

ROOKIES: Of the players on the A's 25-man roster for the Division series, 12 are rookies...that includes eight of the 12 pitchers (Blackley, Cook, Doolittle, Figueroa, Griffin, Milone, Parker, Scribner) in addition to four position players (Carter, Céspedes, Donaldson, Norris)...according to the Elias Sports Bureau, only one team in Major League history has started four rookies in a postseason game and that was the 2007 Arizona Diamondbacks...they did it three times: Game 3 of the NLDS against the Cubs (Young, Reynolds, Upton, Montero) and Games 3 (Young, Reynolds, Salazar, Montero) and 4 (Young, Reynolds, Upton, Owings) of the NLCS against Colorado...the manager of the 2007 Diamondbacks was Bob Melvin.

ROSTER NOTES: The average age of the 25 players on the Division Series roster is 28.0 years...Derek Norris is the youngest (23 years, 235 days as of today) and Jarrod Parker is second youngest (23 years, 317 days)...seven of the players are 25 years old or younger as Brett Anderson and A.J. Griffin are 24 and Ryan Cook, Tommy Milone and Josh Reddick are 25...only Grant Balfour (34 years, 281 days) and Coco Crisp (32 years, 340 days) were born in the 70's...only 11 of the 25 players were on the A's Opening Day roster (Balfour, Blevins, Céspedes, Cook, Crisp, Donaldson, Gomes, Pennington, Reddick, Rosales, Smith)...only eight played for Oakland prior to this year (Anderson, Balfour, Blevins, Carter, Crisp, Donaldson, Pennington, Rosales).

AMERICAN LEAGUE WEST COMEBACK: The A's staged one of the most remarkable comebacks in Major League history to win the American League West...entered the final series of the season against Texas trailing the Rangers by two games and swept the three-game set...trailed the Rangers by five games with nine games remaining and became the first team in ML history to win a Division or Pennant after trailing by five or more games with fewer than 10 games remaining...trailed the Rangers by 13 games on June 30 and became the fifth team in ML history to win a Division or Pennant after trailing by 13 or more games (1914 Braves, 1951 Giants, 1978 Yankees and 1995 Mariners)...when the A's defeated the Rangers on the final day of the season to move into first place, it marked the first time all year the A's had sole possession of first in the West...became the third Division or Pennant winner in ML history to spend just one day in first place (1951 Giants, 2006 Twins)...the A's spent five days with at least a share of first place (includes days when Major League games were played)...the only division or pennant winners in ML history to spend five days or fewer with at least a share of first place are the 1951 Giants (three days), 2006 Twins (four) and 2007 Phillies (five)...all comeback notes courtesy of Elias.

POSTSEASON MEDIA GUIDE: The 2012 Oakland A's Postseason Media Guide is now available for download at <http://pressbox.oaklandathletics.com>...the guide features players bios, season in review, 2012 statistics and the A's postseason history.

DIVISION SERIES PITCHING PROBABLES

Sat., Oct. 6 at DET	RHP Jarrod Parker (13-8, 3.47) vs. RHP Justin Verlander (17-8, 2.64)	3:07 TBS
Sun., Oct. 7 at DET	LHP Tommy Milone (13-10, 3.74) vs. RHP Doug Fister (10-10, 3.45)	9:07 MLBN
Tue., Oct. 9 at OAK	TBA vs. RHP Anibal Sanchez (4-6, 3.74)	6:07 TBS
Wed., Oct. 10 at OAK	TBA vs. RHP Max Scherzer (16-7, 3.74)	TBA TBA
Thu., Oct. 11 at OAK	TBA vs. RHP Justin Verlander	TBA TBS

*all times Pacific

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

GAME 1 STARTING PITCHER: Jarrod Parker (13-8, 3.47 ERA)

PARKER CAREER POSTSEASON BY THE NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2011	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1
Career	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1
Home	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1
Road	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Day	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Night	0	0	27.00	1	0.1	1
	AVG.		AB	H		
vs. LHH	---		0	0		
vs. RHH	1.000		2	2		

PARKER vs. DETROIT

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2012	0	1	3.18	1	5.2	2
2011	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Career	0	1	3.18	1	5.2	2

Parker's Starts vs. Detroit

DATE	H/A	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
5/13/12	H	L	5.2	6	2	2	4	5

Detroit Career Batting vs. Parker

	AVG.	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Avila	.000	3	0	0	0	1
Boesch	.667	3	2	0	0	0
Cabrera	.667	3	2	0	0	0
Dirks	.333	3	1	0	0	1
Fielder	.000	3	0	0	0	1
Jackson	.500	2	1	0	1	0
Peralta	.000	1	0	0	2	0
Raburn	.000	2	0	0	1	2
Young	.000	3	0	0	0	0

FOR STARTERS: Is scheduled to make his first career postseason start...is 0-0 with a 27.00 ERA (1 er in 0.1 ip) and 1.000 (2 for 2) opponents batting average in one career postseason appearance.

ROOKIE STARTERS: Is scheduled to become the third rookie pitcher to start a postseason game in Athletics history...is the first since Barry Zito, who started Game 4 of the 2000 ALCS at New York...was the winning pitcher in the A's 11-1 win (5.2 ip, 7 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 5 so)...the other was Joe Bush in Game 3 of the 1913 World Series at New York...tossed a complete game five-hitter in the A's 8-2 win (2 r, 1 er, 4 bb, 3 so).

IN THE DAYS OF MY YOUTH: Is scheduled to start tonight at the age of 23 years and 317 days...will become the fifth youngest pitcher in Oakland history to start a postseason game...of the four that were younger than home, only Barry Zito (2000 ALDS Game 4) picked up the win.

2011 NLDS: His only postseason experience prior to this year came in the 2011 National League Division Series with Arizona...was called up by the Diamondbacks Sept. 19 and made one regular season start before he was added to Arizona's postseason roster...pitched in relief in Game 4 against Milwaukee...entered the game in the sixth inning with the Diamondbacks leading 7-3 and allowed a run on two hits and a walk in 0.1 innings.

LAST REGULAR SEASON START: Was the winning pitcher in the A's playoff clinching 4-3 victory over Texas last Monday in Oakland...had a 2-0 lead when he allowed a RBI single to Andrus in the third inning and a solo home run to Young in the fourth...the A's then scored twice in the fifth to take a 4-2 lead...was relieved by Doolittle after allowing a leadoff home run to Napoli in the seventh.

PARKER vs. DETROIT: Was the losing pitcher in his only career appearance, a 3-1 A's loss in Oakland May 13...shutout the Tigers on three hits and two walks over the first four innings before allowing a RBI single to Cabrera in the fifth...the A's tied the game with a run in the bottom of the fifth but he allowed a two-out double Boesch and then walked the bases loaded in the sixth...was relieved by Balfour, who walked in the go-ahead run.

YOUNGEST PITCHERS IN OAKLAND HISTORY TO START A POSTSEASON GAME

22 years, 67 days	Vida Blue	1971 ALCS Game 1
22 years, 147 days	Barry Zito	2000 ALDS Game 4
23 years, 85 days	Vida Blue	1972 WS Game 6
23 years, 153 days	Barry Zito	2001 ALDS Game 3
23 years, 317 days	Jarrod Parker	2012 ALDS Game 1

GAME 2 STARTING PITCHER: Tommy Milone (13-10, 3.74 ERA)

MILONE CAREER POSTSEASON BY THE NUMBERS

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2012	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Career	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Home	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Road	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Day	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Night	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
	AVG.		AB	H		
vs. LHH	---		0	0		
vs. RHH	---		0	0		

MILONE vs. DETROIT

	W	L	ERA	G	IP	ER
2012	1	0	3.09	2	11.2	4
2011	0	0	---	0	0.0	0
Career	1	0	3.09	2	11.2	4

Milone's Starts vs. Detroit

DATE	H/A	DEC	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
5/11/12	H	W	7.0	5	2	1	1	6
9/20/12	A	--	4.2	9	3	3	3	1

Detroit Career Batting vs. Milone

	AVG.	AB	H	HR	BB	SO
Cabrera	.400	5	2	0	1	1
Dirks	.500	4	2	0	0	0
Fielder	.200	5	1	0	1	2
Garcia	1.000	2	2	0	0	0
Infante	.500	4	2	0	1	1
Jackson	.200	5	1	0	0	1
Laird	.400	5	2	0	0	0
Peralta	.200	5	1	0	1	1
Raburn	.000	3	0	0	0	0
Sanchez	.000	1	0	0	0	0
Worth	.333	3	1	0	0	1
Young	.167	6	1	0	0	1

FOR STARTERS: Is scheduled to make his first career postseason appearance and start.

ROOKIE STARTERS: Is scheduled to become the fourth rookie pitcher to start a postseason game in Athletics history, the second this year...prior to Parker, the last A's rookie to start a postseason game was Barry Zito, who started Game 4 of the 2000 ALCS at New York...was the winning pitcher in the A's 11-1 win (5.2 ip, 7 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 5 so)...the other was Joe Bush in Game 3 of the 1913 World Series at New York...tossed a complete game five-hitter in the A's 8-2 win (2 r, 1 er, 4 bb, 3 so).

IN THE DAYS OF MY YOUTH: Is scheduled to start today at the age of 25 years and 234 days...he is the eighth youngest pitcher in Oakland history to make his first career postseason start.

LAST REGULAR SEASON START: He had a no decision in the A's 5-2 win over Seattle last Sunday in Oakland...had a 2-0 lead when he allowed two runs in the second inning on RBI singles by Seager and Smoak...was relieved by Neshek with the scored tied 2-2 and two outs in the fifth inning.

MILONE vs. DETROIT: Is 1-0 with a 3.09 ERA (11.2 ip, 14 h, 5 r, 4 er, 4 bb, 7 so) in two career starts, both this year...the win came in an 11-4 A's victory in Oakland May 11...allowed a run in the first inning when Jackson led off with a double and later scored on a double play...the A's came back with two in the bottom of the inning before he allowed an unearned run in the third on a Cabrera RBI double...retired each of the final 10 batters he faced...then had a no decision in the A's 12-4 win at Detroit September 20...allowed two runs in the second inning on a Laird RBI single and a Jackson sacrifice fly...the A's scored a run in the third and the fifth to tie the game at two but he allowed a run in the bottom of the fifth on a Fielder RBI double...left trailing 3-2 with two outs in the fifth but the A's scored four times in the sixth for the win.

YOUNGEST PITCHERS IN OAKLAND HISTORY IN THEIR FIRST CAREER POSTSEASON START

22 years, 67 days	Vida Blue	1971 ALCS Game 1
22 years, 147 days	Barry Zito	2000 ALDS Game 4
23 years, 317 days	Jarrod Parker	2012 ALDS Game 1
24 years, 66 days	Mark Mulder	2001 ALDS Game 1
24 years, 317 days	Rich Harden	2006 ALCS Game 3
25 years, 84 days	Tim Hudson	2000 ALDS Game 3
25 years, 179 days	Jim Hunter	1971 ALCS Game 2
25 years, 234 days	Tommy Milone	2012 ALDS Game 2

ATHLETICS BULLPEN BRIEFS

50 RHP GRANT BALFOUR

Last Outing: 10/3 vs. Texas (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- Has appeared in postseason play three times with Minnesota (2004) and Tampa Bay (2008, 2010)...has a 3.60 ERA (6 er in 15.0 ip) in 15 career appearances...has not allowed a run in nine Division Series games (9.2 ip, 4 h, 1 bb, 7 so).
- Did not have a save opportunity in two appearances against Detroit this year (1.2 ip, 1 h, 1 bb, 2 so)...is 3-2 with a 2.63 ERA (27.1 ip, 19 h, 8 r, 8 er, 14 bb, 36 so, 3 hr) in 27 career appearances against the Tigers.
- Retired each of the final 26 batters he faced during the regular season, which is tied for the fifth longest streak in Oakland history...has not allowed a base runner since Sept. 22.
- Finished the season with a 10-game, 11.0-inning scoreless streak.
- Converted each of his final 18 save opportunities, which is tied for the seventh longest streak in Oakland history...his last blown save was on April 29 at Baltimore.

54 LHP TRAVIS BLACKLEY

Last Outing: 10/2 vs. Texas-GS (W, 6.0 ip, 3 h, 1 r, 1 er, 2 bb, 5 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- The rookie left-hander has never pitched in the postseason.
- Has never faced the Tigers in his career.
- Finished the regular season in the starting rotation following the injury to Anderson...went 1-1 with a 9.00 ERA (9 er in 9.0 ip) over his final three appearances, all starts.

13 LHP JERRY BLEVINS

Last Outing: 10/3 vs. Texas (ND, 0.1 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 1 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- Has no postseason experience.
- Compiled a 2.70 ERA (3.1 ip, 2 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 bb, 1 so) in four outings against Detroit this year...has a 5.40 ERA (6.2 ip, 8 h, 5 r, 4 er, 4 bb, 6 so) in eight career games against the Tigers.
- Did not allow a run in 11 of his final 13 regular season outings (11.1 ip, 5 h, 2 r, 2 er, 5 bb, 6 so, 1.59 ERA).

48 RHP RYAN COOK

Last Outing: 10/3 vs. Texas (ND, 1.0 ip, 1 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- The A's rookie All-Star has never pitched in a postseason game.
- Pitched against the Tigers twice in his career, both times this year (2.2 ip, 1 bb, 3 so).
- Finished the regular season with a 15.0-inning scoreless streak (8 h, 1 bb, 16 so)...began the season with a 23.0-inning scoreless streak and had a 4.33 ERA in between.

62 LHP SEAN DOOLITTLE

Last Outing: 10/3 vs. Texas (ND, 1.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 2 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- The rookie has no postseason experience
- Has one career appearance against Detroit and it came on September 20 at Comerica Park...retired the side in order in the eighth inning with two strikeouts.
- Compiled a 1.80 ERA (25.0 ip, 20 h, 7 r, 5 er, 5 bb, 28 so) over his final 25 appearances during the regular season.

65 LHP PEDRO FIGUEROA

Last Outing: 9/29 vs. Seattle (ND, 1.2 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 3 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- Rookie left-hander has no postseason experience.
- Faced the Tigers three times this year (2.1 ip, 4 h, 2 r, 2 er, 2 so, 7.71 ERA).
- Recalled from Sacramento Aug. 31 and appeared in just eight of the A's final 32 regular season games (6.2 ip, 8 h, 7 r, 6 er, 4 bb, 6 so, 8.10 ERA).

40 RHP PAT NESHEK

Last Outing: 9/30 vs. Seattle (ND, 0.0 ip, 0 h, 0 r, 0 er, 1 bb, 0 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- Is one of two pitchers in the A's bullpen with postseason experience...was 0-1 with a 9.00 ERA (1.0 ip, 1 h, 1 r, 1 er, 1 so) in two games with Minnesota in the 2006 ALDS against the A's...surrendered Mark Kotsay's inside-the-park home run for the loss in Game 2.
- Has faced the Tigers twice this year, both times in Detroit in September (2.0 ip, 2 h, 2 so)...is 3-2 with a 4.29 ERA (21.0 ip, 21 h, 10 r, 10 er, 6 bb, 27 so, 3 hr) in 21 career appearances against the Tigers.
- Allowed two runs over his final five regular season outings (3.1 ip, 2 h, 1 bb, 0 so, 5.40 ERA) after a 14-game, 12.0-inning scoreless streak.

58 RHP EVAN SCRIBNER

Last Outing: 10/3 vs. Texas (W, 3.0 ip, 2 h, 0 r, 0 er, 0 bb, 2 so)

ALDS: (0 g)

- Has never pitched in a postseason game.
- Has faced the Tigers twice in his career...both times came last month in Detroit on September 18 (1.0 ip, 2 h, 3 r, 3 er, 3 bb) and 20 (1.0 ip, 1 h).
- Did not allow a run over his final six regular season outings (9.2 ip, 6 h, 4 bb, 9 so)...had the first two wins of his career over that stretch.

ATHLETICS BATTING NOTES

22 CHRIS CARTER

Career vs. Verlander (.000, 0-3, 0 HR, 0 BB, 3 SO)

Current Streak: 0 for 9

ALDS: 0-0

- The rookie first baseman/designated hitter has never played in the postseason.
- Went 0 for 7 with five strikeouts in two games against Detroit this year and is 0 for 10 with eight strikeouts in three games in his career.
- Hit .138 (8 for 58) with 32 strikeouts over his final 18 regular season games...struck out at least once in each of those, which is one short of the Oakland record for consecutive games with a strikeout by a non-pitcher (19, Jack Cust: June 24-July 12, 2008 and July 18-August 14, 2008).

52 YOENIS CÉSPEDES

Career vs. Verlander (.667, 2-3, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)

Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 7)

ALDS: 0-0

- The rookie outfielder has never played in the postseason.
- Hit safely in all three of his games against Detroit this year, all at Comerica Park...went 4 for 10 (.400) with a run, two RBI and two walks.
- Went 26 for 81 (.321) with 17 runs, four doubles, two triples, seven home runs, 16 RBI and 15 walks (.423 on-base percentage) over his final 22 regular season games.

4 COCO CRISP

Career vs. Verlander (.364, 8-22, 0 HR, 0 BB, 3 SO)

Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 4)

ALDS: 0-0

- Is appearing in postseason play for the third time...hit .281 (16 for 57) in 20 postseason games with Boston in 2007 and 2008...including .417 (10 for 24) in seven games in 2008...is a .214 (3 for 14) hitter with two RBI in five ALDS games...all three hits are doubles.
- Played in just one game against Detroit this year and went 0 for 2 with a strikeout in a start in center field September 18...is a .320 (106 for 331) hitter in 86 career games against the Tigers, which is his best batting average against any American League team...has a .336 (47 for 140) average in 38 games at Comerica Park.
- Went 10 for 25 (.400) with nine runs, four doubles, one home run, four RBI, three stolen bases and three multiple hit games over his final six regular season games after going nine consecutive games without a start.

20 JOSH DONALDSON ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.200, 1-5, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (3 for 8)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The rookie third baseman has never appeared in the postseason. Is 4 for 14 (.286) with a double and two RBI in four career games against Detroit, all this year. Batted .290 (51 for 176) with 11 doubles, eight home runs and 26 RBI in 47 games during his final stint with the A's that began August 14...hit .153 with one home runs and seven RBI in 28 games over his first two stints. 		
5 STEPHEN DREW ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.167, 1-6, 0 HR, 0 BB, 4 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 8)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Started all of Arizona's seven postseason games in 2007 at shortstop and hit safely in each contest...batted .387 (12 for 31) with six runs, one double, one triple, two home runs and four RBI. Went 2 for 14 (.143) with one RBI in three games against Detroit this year, all at Comerica Park in September...is a .128 (6 for 47) career hitter against the Tigers. Hit .289 (22 for 76) with four home runs and nine RBI over his final 18 regular season games. 		
31 JONNY GOMES ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.000, 0-5, 0 HR, 3 BB, 2 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (3 for 6)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> His postseason experience includes two starts in left field for Cincinnati in the 2010 NLDS against Philadelphia...went 0 for 6 with three strikeouts. Went 2 for 12 (.167) with one RBI and five strikeouts in three games against Detroit this year...is a .206 (14 for 68) hitter in 22 career games against the Tigers...including .200 (6 for 30) at Comerica Park. Went 8 for 32 (.250) with two home runs, four RBI and 14 strikeouts over his final 13 regular season games. 		
14 GEORGE KOTTARAS ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (---, 0-0, 0 HR, 0 BB, 0 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 7
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Appeared in three postseason games with Milwaukee in 2011 and went 0 for 8 with two RBI and a walk...including 0 for 3 with a RBI in one NLDS game against Arizona. Had multiple hit games in each of his two games against Detroit this year, both at Comerica Park in September...was 4 for 9 (.444) with one double, one triple and two RBI...is 4 for 13 (.308) in three career games against the Tigers, all at Comerica Park. Hit .212 with six home runs and 19 RBI in 27 games with the A's after he was acquired from Milwaukee July 29. 		
37 BRANDON MOSS ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander .000, 0-3, 0 HR, 0 BB, 1 SO)	Current Streak: 5 games (8 for 16)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has never played in the postseason. Went 4 for 12 (.333) with two doubles and two RBI in three games against Detroit, all in Comerica Park in September...is 4 for 16 (.250) in five career games against the Tigers. Hit .372 (42 for 113) with 28 runs, 11 doubles, nine home runs and 27 RBI over his final 33 regular season games. 		
36 DEREK NORRIS ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.000, 0-2, 0 HR, 0 BB, 1 SO)	Current Streak: 3 games (4 for 9)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The rookie catcher has never played in the postseason...his age is 23 years, 235 days as of today...the youngest catcher to start a postseason game in Athletics history is Wally Schang, who was 24 years, 46 days, when he started Game 1 of the 1913 World Series against the Giants. Has appeared in just one game against Detroit and went 0 for 3 with a walk and a run scored September 19 at Comerica Park. Went 19 for 100 (.190) over his final 31 games...however, drove in 15 runs over that stretch as he was 12 for 31 (.387) with runners in scoring position. 		
2 CLIFF PENNINGTON ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.000, 0-13, 0 HR, 1 BB, 5 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 6
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has never appeared in the postseason. Went 5 for 23 (.217) in seven games against Detroit this year...is a .250 (23 for 92) career hitter against the Tigers...however, is 13 for 36 (.361) in 11 career games at Comerica Park. Was 2 for 22 (.091) over his final eight regular season games. 		
16 JOSH REDDICK ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.200, 2-10, 0 HR, 0 BB, 2 SO)	Current Streak: 1 game (1 for 5)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be making his postseason debut in 2012. Batted .357 (10 for 28) with eight runs, one double, one triple, two home runs and five RBI in seven games against Detroit this year...is a .366 (15 for 41) hitter with two home runs and eight RBI in 11 career games against the Tigers...is 6 for 19 (.316) with no home runs at Comerica Park. Hit three home runs over his final seven regular season games but batted .162 (18 for 111) over his final 28 contests. 		
17 ADAM ROSALES ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.000, 0-5, 0 HR, 0 BB, 2 SO)	Current Streak: 0 for 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has never appeared in the postseason. Did not play against Detroit this year...is 2 for 13 (.154) in four career games against the Tigers. Went 6 for 33 (.182) with no walks over his final 14 regular season games...finished the season with a career-long streak of 23 consecutive games without a walk. 		
15 SETH SMITH ALDS: 0-0	Career vs. Verlander (.143, 1-7, 1 HR, 2 BB, 1 SO)	Current Streak: 2 games (2 for 7)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be making his third postseason appearance in 2012...appeared in nine games with Colorado in 2007 and 2009 and is 4 for 11 (.364) with a double and two RBI in his postseason career...including 4 for 8 (.500) with a double and two RBI as a pinch hitter...is 2 for 7 (.286) in five career LDS games. Hit .417 (10 for 24) with seven runs, three doubles, two home runs, six RBI and six walks (.533 on-base percentage) in seven games against Detroit...is a .333 (13 for 39) career hitter against the Tigers with three home runs and eight RBI in 12 games. Went 9 for 55 (.164) with 21 strikeouts over his final 19 regular season games. 		