

# White Sox 2017

manager: Rick Renteria

Attendance: 1,629,093

## Standings:

### Eastern Division

Boston 93-69  
New York 91-71  
Tampa Bay 80-82  
Toronto 76-86  
Baltimore 75-87

### Central Division

Cleveland 102-60  
Minnesota 85-77  
Kansas City 80-82  
**Chicago** 67-95  
Detroit 64-98

### Western Division

Houston 101-61  
LA Angels 80-82  
Seattle 78-84  
Texas 78-84  
Oakland 75-87

### Sox

**ERA:** Cleveland 3.30 4.78 (13)  
**BA:** Houston .282 .256 (10)  
**FA:** Cleveland .987 .981 (14)

**Home:** 39-42

**Away:** 28-53

**Best:** NY Yankees 51-30

**Best:** Cleveland/Houston 53-28

**Worst:** Detroit 34-47

**Worst:** White Sox 28-53

**FA:** .981 (14<sup>th</sup>). Sox pitchers committed the fewest errors; RF Avisail Garcia led in assists & errors; SS Anderson led in errors.

**Best:** 4-2 vs. Houston; 2-1 vs. San Francisco and San Diego

**Worst:** 0-4 vs LA Dodgers; 0-3 vs. Arizona; 1-6 vs. Boston; 1-5 vs. Oakland; 1-3 vs Cubs; 6-13 vs. Cleveland; 7-12 vs. Minnesota

### Top Pitchers

	IP	Record	Shutouts	Saves	ERA
Derek Holland	135	7-14			6.20
Miguel Gonzalez	133	7-10			4.31
Mike Pelfrey	120	3-12			5.93
James Shields	117	5- 7			5.23
Jose Quintana	104	4- 8			4.49
Dylan Covey	70	0- 7			7.71
Carlos Rodon	69	2- 5			4.15
Chris Beck	64	2- 1			6.40
David Holmberg	57	2- 4			4.68
Anthony Swarzak	48	4- 3		1	2.23
Dan Jennings	44	3- 1			3.45
Tom Kahnle	36	1- 3			2.50
Dave Robertson	33	4- 2		13	3.04

Lead AL in HRs allowed (31)

**Sox:** 13<sup>th</sup> in ERA; 15<sup>th</sup> in Shutouts, Saves, HRs allowed (242)

### Top Hitters

	AB	Runs	Hits	HR	RBI	Ave	EBH	SB
Avisail Garcia	518	75	171	18	80	.330	50	5
Jose Abreu	621	95	189	33	102	.304	82	3
Melky Cabrera	397	54	117	13	56	.295	30	0
Leury Garcia	300	41	81	9	33	.270	26	8
Yolmer Sanchez	484	63	129	12	59	.267	38	8
Tim Anderson	587	72	151	17	56	.257	47	15
Matt Davidson	414	43	91	26	68	.220	43	0
Adam Engel	301	34	50	6	21	.166	12	0
Kevan Smith	276	23	78	4	30	.283	21	0
Omar Narvaez	253	23	70	2	14	.277	12	0
Nicky Delmonico	141	25	37	9	23	.262	13	2
Willy Garcia	105	15	25	2	12	.238	10	0
Alen Hansen	160	28	37	4	10	.231	14	9
Yoan Moncada	199	31	46	8	22	.231	18	3
Todd Frazier	280	41	58	16	44	.207	31	4
Tyler Saladino	253	23	45	0	10	.178	11	5

2<sup>nd</sup> in EBH, 3<sup>rd</sup> in 3B (6)

2<sup>nd</sup> in 3B (8)

**Sox:** First in 3B, 10<sup>th</sup> in hits, BA, 12<sup>th</sup> in Runs (706) and 13<sup>th</sup> in HRs (186)

Delmonico hit safely in 1<sup>st</sup> 13 ML games – club record.

**Add:** P Derek Holland (Texas) and Anthony Swarzak; IF **Alen Hanson**, C **Kevan Smith**, RP Danny Farquhar (2-0)

**Gone:** P Matt Albers, Daniel Webb, C Alex Avila, DH/1B Justin Morneau, and OF Austin Jackson,  
P **Chris Sale** to Boston for IF **Yoan Moncada**, P Michael Kopech, OF Luis Alexander Basabe, and P Victor Diaz.  
Sale's career with Sox: 74-50, 3.00 ERA and 6<sup>th</sup> in strikeouts.

OF **Adam Eaton** to Washington for pitchers **Lucas Giolito** (3-3, 2.38), **Reynaldo Lopez** (3-3, 4.72) and Dane Dunning. P **Jose Quintana** to Chicago Cubs for OF Eloy Jimenez, P Dylan Cease, and 2 others. **Dan Jennings** to Tampa. 3B **Todd Frazier**, RPs **Dave Robertson** & **Tim Lincecum** to NYY for RP Tyler Clippard (1-1, 1.80, 2 Saves) & 3 prospects. OF **Melky Cabrera** to KC Royals for 2 prospects; P Miguel Gonzalez to Texas for IF Edward Tjerman

**Rookies:** 3B **Davidson**, P Carson Fullmer (3-1, 3.86), Covey, Lopez, OF **Engel and Delmonico**, IF **Moncada**, RPs **Infante**, Brad Goldberg, **Juan Minaya** (3-2, 4.53, 9 Saves), Aaron Bummer (1-3, 4.50), and Jace Fry  
Sox signed Luis Robert (Cuba). #1 Draft choice: 3B Jake Burger

**Injuries:** Charlie Tilson, Nate Jones (arm), Jake Petricka, James Shields, Zach Putnam, C Giovanny Soto, Avisail Garcia (hand), and Matt Davidson.

#### Club:

- Sox 1B **Jose Abreu** and NY Mets' **Yoenis Cespedes** each testified about Cuban players smuggled illegally into the US (through Mexico). Focus was on agents Burt Hernandez, Julius Estrada, and Amin Latouff. Payoffs to each were great.
- SS **Tim Anderson** suffered personal loss when close friend, Branden Moss, was shot to death in May.
- October 15: former RP **Daniel Webb** died in an ATV accident.
- IF **Carlos Sanchez** changed his name to **Yolmer Sanchez**.  
SS **Tim Anderson** signed \$24M/6-year contract – record for one who hadn't played a full year in the majors.
- RP **Nate Jones** was member of US team that won the World Baseball Classic.
- *Sports Illustrated* and ESPN magazines plus local writers picked Sox to finish 4<sup>th</sup> - ahead of the Minnesota Twins.
- **Highest payroll:** LA Dodgers (\$242.1 M); NY Yankees were #2 (\$201.5 M), Boston 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$199.81 M), Detroit 4<sup>th</sup> (\$199.8 M). White Sox ranked 24<sup>th</sup> (\$99.1 M). AL's lowest: Tampa Bay ranked 29<sup>th</sup> (\$70 M). Milwaukee ranked last (\$63.1 M).

6/24: Sox retired P **Mark Buehrle**'s jersey (#56).

- Club traded 1<sup>st</sup>-line starters for promising rookies during mid-season trades.
- Sox suffered a 4-23 spell from July 4<sup>th</sup> – August 6<sup>th</sup>. Best month: April (13-10); worst: July (6-18), May & August (11-18/ea)
- Highlight: Swept 3G series vs. 1<sup>st</sup> place Houston Astros in August.

#### Season:

4/4: **Lost to Detroit and Jason Verlander** 6-3 (Quintana). Tigers clubbed 3 HRs. Both Cabrera & Abreu went 2-4/RBI.

4/8: **Beat Minnesota** 6-2 (Gonzalez). Avisail Garcia: 3-4/3B hit 2-run HR in 6<sup>th</sup>; Soto followed with a solo HR.

4/13: **Beat Cleveland** 10-4 (Swarzak for Gonzalez). Anderson and Davidson (3 RBIs) homered; Avisail Garcia: 3-4/3 RBIs.

4/16: **Beat Minnesota** 3-1 in 10 (Jones for Shields) on Avisail Garcia's 2-run HR. Garcia: 4-5/2B. Davidson: 2-4/RBI.

4/18: **Beat NY Yankees** 4-1 (Gonzalez/Robertson). Leury Garcia hit a solo HR in 3<sup>rd</sup>; Avisail Garcia hit 3-run HR in the 7<sup>th</sup>.

4/21: **Lost to Cleveland** and Cory Kluber 3-0 (Quintana). Sox totaled 3 hits, all singles.

4/23: **Beat Cleveland** 6-2 (Holland). After 23 scoreless innings, Sox scored 3 in the 1<sup>st</sup>. Cabrera: 2 RBIs; Abreu: 2-4/2 Runs.

4/24: **Beat Kansas City** 12-1 (Gonzalez: 8IP, 0 ER). Davidson (HR/4 RBIs), Anderson (3 Runs) & Leury Garcia had 3 hits/ea.

Sox scored 8 runs in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Big hits: Saladino (2-run 3B) and Frazier (2-run 2B).

4/29: **Beat Detroit** 6-4 in 10 (Robertson for Holland) on Melky Cabrera's HR. Sox led 4-2 after 8. Abreu hit 2 solo HRs.

5/2: **Beat Kansas City** 6-0 (Quintana: 8IP, 4 Hits). Soto (2-3) drove in 2 runs; Sanchez: 3-4/2B & RBI.

5/7: **Lost to Baltimore** 4-0 (Quintana). Orioles led 4-0 after 2 and swept 3G series.

5/13: **Beat San Diego** 5-4 (Robertson) on Sanchez' 9<sup>th</sup> inning RBI 1B. Avisail Garcia homered; Sanchez hit RBI 1B in 9<sup>th</sup>.

5/14: **Beat San Diego** 9-3 (Ynoa for Quintana). Sox scored 8 in the 8<sup>th</sup>. Cabrera singled in 2; Leury Garcia doubled in 2 more

5/15: **Lost to LA Angels** 5-3 (Pelfrey). Sox led 3-0 on Abreu's 2-run HR. LA's **Mike Trout** hit solo HR.

5/20: **Beat Seattle** 16-1 (Pelfrey). Avisail Garcia: 4-5/2 HR, 2 2B & 6 RBIs; Donaldson & Willie Garcia also HR. Sox: 19 hits.

5/23: **Lost to Arizona** 5-4 (Covey). Frazier, Cabrera, and Abreu homered for the Sox. D'Backs swept 3G series.

5/27: **Split DH vs Detroit. G1:** Won 3-0 (Tyler Danish/Robertson). Sox pitchers struck out 15 Tigers. **G2:** Lost 4-3 (Holland).

5/29: **Beat Boston** 5-4 (Minaya/Robertson for Holland) on Cabrera's RBI 1B in the 7<sup>th</sup>. Cabrera (2-4) hit 3-run HR in 3<sup>rd</sup>.

6/3: **Lost to Detroit** 10-1 (Gonzalez). Behind 6-0 in the 6<sup>th</sup>, Frazier hit RBI 2B. Tigers swept 3G series.

6/6: **Beat Tampa** 4-2 (Beck/Robertson for Quintana). Sanchez, Avisail Garcia, and Frazier homered. Sox took 1 of 3 games.

6/10: **Beat Cleveland** 5-3 (Holmberg/Robertson). Abreu (3-5) & Cabrera (3-5) each drove in a run; Davidson singled in 2.

6/13: **Beat Baltimore** 6-1 (Holland). Abreu: 3-4, Avisail Garcia hit 2-run 2B, Davidson hit grand slam.

6/17: **Beat Toronto** 5-2 (Pelfrey). Frazier, Davidson (2-4), and Abreu homered. Sox' 5<sup>th</sup> win in 6 games.

6/22: **Beat Minnesota** 9-0 (Quintana). Abreu and Frazier each hit a 2-run HR; Davidson added a solo shot.

- 6/24: **Lost to Oakland** 10-2 on **Mark Buehrle Day** (Shields). Sox retired #56.  
Three Oakland rookies homered in their 1<sup>st</sup> ML game: Matt Olson, Jaycob Brugman, and Franklin Barreto.
- 6/27: **Beat NY Yankees** 4-3 (Jennings for Quintana) on Abreu's 2-out, 2-run 1B. Sox split 4G series.
- 6/30: **Beat Texas** 8-7 (Swarzak for Pelfrey) on Cabrera's 2-run 2B in 9<sup>th</sup>. Frazier: 2-4/2 HRs; Abreu: 2-4/HR.
- 7/3: **Beat Oakland** 7-2 (Rodon). Frazier (2-4/2 2B), Davidson, Willie Garcia, and Cabrera each doubled in a run.
- 7/8: **Beat Colorado** 5-4 (Kahnle/Robertson for Quintana) on Anderson's 9<sup>th</sup> inning HR. Sanchez hit 2-run 3B in 1st.
- 7/16: **Lost 7-6 in 10** to Seattle (Beck for Holland) on Nelson Cruz' homer. Avisail Garcia (twice) and Narvaez homered.
- 7/18: **Lost to LA Dodgers & Clayton Kershaw** 1-0 (Gonzalez). Sox were out-hit 9-8; all hits were singles.
- 7/21: **Lost to Kansas City** 7-6 in 10 (Clippard). Rookie Moncada (4 RBIs) tripled in 3 runs. Abreu & Cabrera each had 2 hits.
- 7/24: **Beat Cubs 3-1** (Gonzalez/Swarzak). Engel and Davidson homered. Sox lone win in 4G Crosstown Series.
- 7/30: **Beat Cleveland** 3-1 (Clippard for Rodon) on Davidson's 9<sup>th</sup> inning 2-run HR. Leury Garcia added solo HR in 6<sup>th</sup>.
- 7/31: **Beat Toronto** 7-6 (Beck for Shields) in 9<sup>th</sup> on Davidson's RBI 1B. Jays led 6-0 after 6.  
Abreu (2B/3 RBIs), Sanchez (HR) and Davidson (HR/3 RBIs) each had 2 hits.
- 8/4: **Lost to Boston** 3-2 in 11 (Bummer for Rodon) on Mitch Moreland's 2-out, walk-off HR. Delmonico: 2-run 2B in the 4<sup>th</sup>.
- 8/5: **Lost to Boston** 4-1 (Shields). No scoring after 2<sup>nd</sup> inning. Anderson (2-4) HR in 1<sup>st</sup> inning. Red Sox swept 4G series.
- 8/10: **Beat Houston** 3-2 in 11 (Holmberg for Rodon) on Moncada's RBI 1B. Moncada's HR in 9<sup>th</sup> tied game at 2.
- 8/12: **Lost to Kansas City** 5-4 (Bummer for Shields) on former Sox' Melky Cabrera's 2-run HR in the 8<sup>th</sup>. Abreu: 3-4/2 HRs.
- 8/16: **Lost to LA Dodgers** 5-4 (Petricka for Rodon) on Yasiel Puig's 2-run 2B. Sox led 4-2 in 9<sup>th</sup>. Delmonico: 3-4/2 HRs.
- 8/18: **Beat Texas** 4-3 (Infante/Minaya for Shields). Delmonico: 2-3/3 RBIs & 2 HRs - including 8<sup>th</sup> inning inside-the-park.
- 8/19: **Lost to Texas** 17-7 (Holland). Sox scored 5 in 1<sup>st</sup>. Abreu (4-5): 3B & HR. Texas scored 6 in both the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> innings.  
Rangers' Rowned Odor (2 HRs) & Mike Napoli (HR) each drove in 5 runs.
- 8/23: **Beat Minnesota** 4-3 (Farquhar for Shields) on Anderson's RBI 1B in 9<sup>th</sup>. Leury Garcia: 2-4/HR. Alen Hanson: 3B/Run.
- 8/25: **Beat Detroit** 3-2 (Minaya for Gonzalez) on Sanchez' 9<sup>th</sup> inning RBI 1B scoring Anderson. Abreu HR in 1<sup>st</sup>.
- 8/31: **Lost to Minnesota** 5-4 (Minaya for Gonzalez) in 9<sup>th</sup> when Minaya hit batter with bases loaded. Alen Hanson: 3-4/HR.
- 9/2: **Beat Tampa** 5-4 (Fullmer/Minaya). Sox scored on HRs by Hanson, Sanchez, Garcia (2-run), and Narvaez.
- 9/7: **Lost to Cleveland** 11-2 (Pelfry). Indians hit 5 HRs on way to 15<sup>th</sup> straight win. Cleveland swept 4G series.
- 9/9: **Beat San Francisco** 13-1 (Shields). Abreu (4-5/3 RBIs) hit for the cycle; Sanchez (3 RBIs) and Anderson each ended a 2B short of the cycle. Avisail Garcia, Delmonico, and Moncada also homered.
- 9/11: **Beat Kansas City** 11-3 (Lopez). Engel (3-4/HR) 3 RBIs; Abreu (4-5/3B), Moncada (3-6/3B) & A. Garcia 2 RBIs/each.
- 9/14: **Beat Detroit** 17-7 (Shields). Sox totaled 25 hits. Avisail Garcia 5-5/H & 7 RBIs, Anderson & Davidson: 3 hits/each.  
Abreu: 4-5/2 RBIs, Moncada: 4-5/HR & 5 Runs (tying club record).
- 9/16: **Beat Detroit** 10-4 (Lopez). Delmonico and Davidson homered. Anderson: 4-5/2B; Abreu & Moncada: 2 RBIs/each.
- 9/17: **Lost to Detroit** 12-0 (Covey) Anderson's 2 out 2B in 9<sup>th</sup> ended Matthew Boyd's bid for a no-hitter.
- 9/21: **Beat Houston** 3-1 (Pelfrey/Minaya for Fullmer). Anderson homered in the Sox' 8<sup>th</sup>.
- 9/24: **Beat Kansas City** 8-1 (Giolito). Avisail Garcia: 2-4/2B, HR & 3 RBIs; Kevan Smith: 2-4/HR & 2 RBIs.
- 9/27: **Beat LA Angels** 6-4 in 10 (Farquhar for Lopez). Delmonico (3-5/3 RBIs) hit game-winning HR. Sox won 3 of 4 games.
- 9/30: **Beat Cleveland** 2-1 (Fullmer/Minaya). Kevan Smith RBI 1B in 4<sup>th</sup> & RBI 2B in 6<sup>th</sup>. Sox out-hit Indians 8-3.

**All Star Game:** AL beat NL 2-1 in 10 innings. Sox' Avisail Garcia (0-2) was Sox' lone representative

### League:

- New Collective Bargaining Agreement was made in early December. Pact included higher penalties for high-spending teams, a **cap on signing bonuses** for international amateurs, and **home-field advantage** for the World Series now goes to the league of the team that possesses the best season record. There would also be no international amateur draft. ML's 15-day term on the Disabled list was reduced to 10; luxury tax was harsher.

The league that won the **All-Star Game** no longer determined World Series home field advantage.

MLB planned to eliminate **rookie hazing; intentional walks** now require a manager's signal from the dugout; limited trips to the mound for catchers and infielders and use of a 20-second **pitch clock**.

After several foul-ball injuries – league discussed **extending the safety netting** beyond the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> base lines.

- White Sox' **Jose Abreu** and NY Mets' **Yoenis Cespedes** each testified about elite Cuban players smuggled illegally into the US (through Mexico). Focus was on agents Burt Hernandez, trainer Julius Estrada, and Amin Latouff. Each of the three coerced large payouts from the players in return. March: Hernandez and Estrada were found guilty.
- **Highest payroll:** LA Dodgers (\$242.1 M); NY Yankees ranked #2 (\$201.5 M), Boston 3<sup>rd</sup> (\$199.81 M), and Detroit 4<sup>th</sup> (\$199.8 M). **Lowest payroll:** Milwaukee (\$63.1 M); AL's Tampa Bay ranked 29<sup>th</sup> (\$70 M).
- **Hurricane Henry** forced **Houston Astros** to play home games at Tampa Bay's Tropicana Field.
- **President Trump** created a stir by stating that any athlete who kneels during the national anthem should be fired.

1/22/17: Kansas City P **Yordano Ventura** was killed in a car accident.

11/7/17: Former Toronto P **Roy Halladay** died in a plane accident. Halladay (203-105) was a 2X Cy Young Award winner.

#### **Fines and Suspensions:**

- **St. Louis Cardinals'** punishment for hacking Houston's emails: \$2M and 2 top draft choices.  
**Chris Correa**, Cardinals' former scouting director, was sentenced 46 months in jail and banned for life from baseball.

Houston P **Mike Fiers** 5G for throwing at a batter's head; Boston P **Matt Barnes** 4G for throwing at Orioles IF Manny Machado; and umpire **Joe West** 3G for negative comments directed at Texas 3B Adrian Beltre.

**Mid-May showdown** between Baltimore & Boston included hard slides, beanballs, racial slurs, and player (and fan) ejections. Manny Machado's hard slide into Dustin Pedroia led to close pitches and beanballs (from both teams); Orioles OF Adam Jones experienced racial slurs leading to 1 fan permanently removed from Fenway Park.

Detroit 2B **Ian Kinsler** fined \$10K after criticizing umpire Angel Hernandez.

**Boston Red Sox** were fined for using an Apple watch to relay messages, so they could steal opponents' hand signals. **NY Yankees** were fined for using a dugout phone during 2009 World Series.

Suspensions from **Detroit-NY Yankees brawl** on 8/24: Tigers' Miguel Cabrera (7G), P Alex Wilson (4G); NY C Gaby Sanchez (3G), NY C Austin Romine (2G), and Tigers M Brad Ausmus (1G).

**Major trades:** OF Matt Holiday, RP Aroldis Chapman, OF Chris Carter, and P Sonny Gray (NYY), P Chris Sale (Boston), P Jason Hammel & OF Jorge Soler (KC), OF Josh Reddick, Carlos Beltran, and Jason Verlander (Hou), DH Kendrys Morales (Tor); C Wilson Ramos (Tampa); DH Edwin Encarnacion and OF Jay Bruce (Cle); P Derek Holland (Chicago); Mike Napoli (Tex); Ps Yovani Gallardo, Mike Leake, and 1B Yonder Alonso (Sea); OF Rajai Davis (Oak), and OF Justin Upton (LA Angels). RP Chapman signed \$86M/5-years

#### **Noteworthy games:**

5/7: **Boston** beat Minnesota 17-6 (Chris Sale). Red Sox scored 10 runs in the 9<sup>th</sup> on 7 hits and 5 walks.

5/29: **Houston** beat Minnesota 16-8 (Jordan Jankowski). After falling behind 8-2, Astros scored 11 runs (1 HR) in the 8<sup>th</sup>.

6/3: **NY Yankees** beat Toronto 7-0 (Jordan Montgomery). Yankees hit 4 solo HRs in the 8<sup>th</sup> inning off Jason Grilli.  
**LA Angels** beat Minnesota 7-2 (Matt Shoemaker). Angels' Albert Pujols' 600<sup>th</sup> career HR was a 4<sup>th</sup> inning grand slam.

6/13: **Minnesota** beat Seattle 20-7. Twins totaled 28 hits. Eddie Rosario: 4-5/3 HRs & 5 RBIs; Eduardo Escobar: 5-6/2 RBIs.

7/2: **Boston** beat Toronto 15-1 (Drew Pomeranz). Red Sox totaled 21 hits; OF Mookie Betts: 4-6/2 HRs & 8 RBIs.

7/9: **Houston** beat Toronto 19-1 (Brad Peacock).  
Astros SS Carlos Garcia: 4-5/2 HRs & 5 RBIs; 2B Jose Altuve: 3-4/HR & 3 RBIs.

7/26: **Kansas City** beat Detroit 16-2 (Ian Kennedy). Royals' Eric Hosmer: 5-6/HR & 6 RBIs.

7/30: **Texas** lost to Baltimore 10-6 (Wade Miley). Rangers' 3B Adrian Beltre collected his 3,000<sup>th</sup> career hit.

8/18: **Baltimore** beat LA Angels 7-5 (Darren O'Day) on Manny Machado's walk-off grand slam.  
Machado (3 HRs) drove in 7 runs.

8/24: **Detroit** beat NY Yankees 10-6 (Alex Wilson). Several hit batters (2 Tigers/2 Yankees) and close pitches led to 3 on-field fights and 8 ejections (see *Fines and Suspensions* above).

8/31: **Toronto** beat Baltimore 11-8 (Marco Estrada). Jays' Kendrys Morales: 4-5/3 HRs & 7 RBIs.

9/3: **Cleveland** beat Detroit 11-1 (Josh Tomlin). Indians' Jose Ramirez: 5-5/3 2Bs, 2 HRs & 3 RBIs.

9/12: **Minnesota** beat San Diego 16-0 (Kyle Gibson). C Jason Castro (3-4/4 RBIs) hit 2 of the Twins' 7 HRs.

9/13: **Cleveland** beat Detroit 5-3 (Mike Clevinger). Indians 21<sup>st</sup> straight win.

9/30: **Detroit** beat Minnesota 4-3 (Buck Farmer). Tigers' Andrew Romine (1-3, 1/3 IP) played all 9 positions.

**Streaks: Houston (+11), Texas (+10); Detroit (-10)**

**Cleveland** won 11 straight earlier in the season then 22 in a row (ML's 2<sup>nd</sup> longest) in August/September.

**Playoffs:**

10/5: **Houston** beat Boston 8-2 (Justin Verlander). Astros' **Jose Altuve**: 3-4/3 HRs.

10/29: G5 World Series: **Houston** beat LA Dodgers 13-12 in 10 (Joe Musgrove for Dallas Keuchel). Astros hit 5 HRs.

- MLB set a record for HRs in a single season (6,105). Total of 36 players hit 30+ HRs.
- NY Yankees **Aaron Judge** clubbed rookie-record 13 HRs in 25Gs. Judge's 52 HRs was another rookie record. Judge also set Yankee record for number of HRs at home (33). Former record: Babe Ruth, 1921. The rookie OF also set the ML record for consecutive games with at least 1 strikeout (37).
- Cleveland IF **Jose Ramirez** set a record by totaling 14 extra base hits (10 2Bs, 3B, 3 HRs) in a 7-game span
- Boston P **Chris Sale** tied ML record by striking out 10+ batters 8 times.
- August: **Kansas City Royals** went 45 innings without scoring a run. Club was shutout 4X during that span.

**Last Year:** OF Sam Fuld, OF/DH Carlos Beltran

**First Year:** Pitchers Chris Rowley and Keynan Middleton, OFs Aaron Judge, Andrew Benintendi, and Trey Mancini; 3B Max Chapman, and DH Matt Olson  
Rowley is 1<sup>st</sup> West Point graduate to pitch in the majors. Lieutenant Rowley spent 2 years in active service.

**#1 Draft Pick:** SS Royce Lewis (Minnesota)

**Clemente Award:** 1B Anthony Rizzo, Chicago Cubs

**Rookie/Year:** OF Aaron Judge, NY Yankees

**Comeback:** 3B Mike Moustakas, Kansas City

**Exec./Year:** Chris Antonetti, Cleveland

**Mgr./Year:** Paul Molitor, Minnesota

**MVP:** 2B Jose Altuve, Houston

**Cy Young:** Corey Kluber, Cleveland

**Hall of Fame:** C Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez, IF Jeff Bagwell, OF Tim Lincecum, executives John Schuerholz and Bud Selig  
Also included: Cartoon character Homer Simpson (Homer at the Bat).

**World Series:** Houston Astros beat the LA Dodgers in 7 games.