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A NOTE ABOUT THE **EDITOR'S LETTER**

I'm so late getting this done — for the same reasons I was late last year — that I'm reusing last year's letter with a few edits. It's all true!

Dear Reader,

I'm writing this nearly a week after I thought I'd have the book layout to the printer, but I realized a week ago that even though I felt like I was reaching the finish line there were a few items that needed more attention.

The main one was rereading all the text from top to bottom. I'd spellchecked and spot edited, but I kept finding little edit errors, formatting mistakes, and copy and paste glitches that needed close attention. So I reread and i fixed things. I changed a lot, and I'm sure I missed some, too.

I changed surprisingly few prices, but I adjusted some. And we, you and I, will continue to adjust them in the coming weeks leading up to our auctions and drafts. The prices listed here are a good ranking and a fair evaluation at what the market is, but they are guesses and with more information and changing news we'll make better one's later. That's the fun of the game.

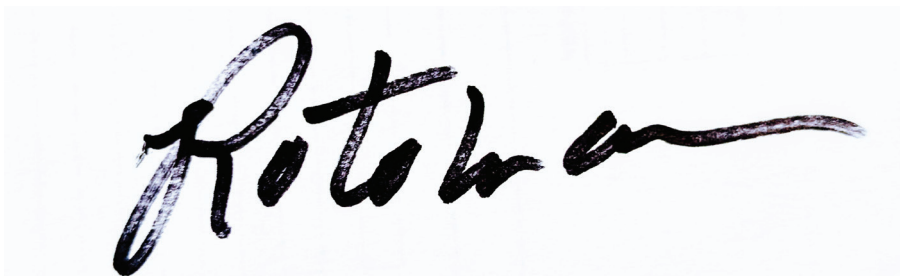
Rereading everything closely and seeing the way formatting of the layout changes based on what information there is for each player, and how that breaks a little when I adjust things manually, reminds me of my indebtedness to a series of fantastic designers who worked on the Fantasy Baseball Guide for many years, namely Jenny Perez, Brian Meissner, and Mina Chen. I don't have their skills, the evidence for which is in your hands.

I'm honored to have Picks and Pans again in this year's Guide. We have 288 comments, pro and con, by Dave Adler, Patrick Davitt, Doug Dennis, Mike Gianella, Phil Hertz, Tim McLeod, Alex Patton, Scott Pianowski, Mike Podhorzer, and RotoRob, veterans all of the Picks and Pans feature. Their bios are on the Table of Contents page on the back of this page.

Please let me know what works for you in this year's Guide, and, more importantly, what doesn't work. My email is askrotoman@gmail.com. Find updates at rotoman.substack.com. Your feedback helps me focus on what matters most to you.

Thanks for coming along on the ride.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "RotoRob". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

Why We Did What We Did

We make a lot of decisions about what goes into the Guide. Here are some notes about those decisions.

A whole lot of decisions go into a project like The Fantasy Baseball Guide.

You can see the player's 2026 team, if he has one, in the 2026 projected stats line. Because some hitters don't have projected stats, this year I added a team identifier to each profile box at the end.

Because I got the bright idea to do that after the pitchers were laid out pitchers don't have such identifiers universally. I have tried to add some manually to pitchers of interest who don't have a projection

Team identifiers are as of January 31, 2026 and are not guaranteed. I've tried my best to keep up, but some transactions sneak through. And many changes will happen after the book has gone to bed. Please keep a critical eye at all times.

And there will be updated projections posted early in March at blog.askrotoman.com.

I tried to profile all hitters and pitchers who were likely to have fantasy value in deep AL-only and NL-only leagues in 2026, plus the best young players likely to debut in 2027.

I've written more profiles this year than ever before, more than 1,100 if you count the short informational ones. More than 1,000 analytical ones. Still, some players have statboxes but no profiles because they're unlikely to have fantasy baseball significance this year.

Minor league games-played-by-position data costs too much, so many young players have an X at their position. I suggest that you not rely on this during your drafts and auctions and double-check the prospect's eligibility under your league's rules at baseball_reference.com, which I think has the best minor league fielding data.

Minor league stats are combined for players each year and the highest level at which they played is listed.

Statlines with fewer than 50 at bats or 20 innings pitched are not included. Nor are earnings reported for players with so little major league exposure.

My pricing system starts players with a -\$4 opportunity cost, so players who don't play much tend to have negative values. I suggest taking a look at those players at pattonandco.com for a better idea what their contribution was worth when they played in 2025.

Statlines for players with more than one team played for show - - -.

Projection lines for free agents at press time show a - - - as the team name.

You'll find an in depth rookie guide, more position by position analysis, and fantasy baseball talk at rotoman.substack.com through the first week of April.

Any questions? Ask at rotoman.substack.com or askrotoman@gmail.com.

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More Fantasy Guide 2026 Stuff

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A Look at the Stats, Terms, and Assumptions

The Address: <https://blog.askrotoman.com/analyzing-hitters-and-pitchers-for-fantasy-baseball/>

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The Perfect Pitching Staff 2026

Our Annual Survey

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Projections and Pricing Update

An Early March Release for Book Buyers. Look on Substack.

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HITTERS A-Z Legend

Age equals 2026 minus the year of the player's birth. **Games Played** are for the major leagues (ML). Many minor leaguers have their primary position marked. Many do not. Baseball-Reference.com is the best place to check minor league games played data. The minor league level displayed is the highest level the batter played that year.

2026 Bid Price is Rotoman's best guess at a bid price come March. It is supposed to serve as a guideline to Rotoman's thinking as of January 2026.

CJ Abrams

\$24

Bats:	L	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$13	24:\$26	25:\$24	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$23	24:\$21	25:\$24	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-14	2B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 WSN	563	.245	.715	83	18	64	47/4	32/118
24 WSN	541	.246	.746	79	20	65	31/12	40/128
25 WSN	580	.257	.748	92	19	60	31/3	37/125
26 WSN	571	.252	.714	84	19	66		32

It seemed to take forever for him to get started, yet now he's had three straight pretty good years and he's just reaching prime territory. That might be a reason to anticipate more from a player who had a future all-star pedigree as a prospect, but in the past three years he's not shown much growth at all, simply grinding at the plate and on the basepaths and lagging defensively. Also of concern was his decline in the second half last year, when his strikeout rate increased and his power diminished. Maybe that was injury related, he missed a game in July and another in September with shoulder soreness, and maybe he'll find another gear if someone lights a fire under him, he's still youngish, but there's no good reason to expect more than the same this year. TM:WSN

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: By now, Abrams' second-half falloffs are well-known. But even with them, he's been a steady mid-\$20s earner in each of the last three seasons, so his career 20-39-.250 looks like a useful floor, especially with 600+ PAs in those seasons as well. And upside? He'll bring more than 2,100 PAs into 2026 at age 25—so he could be a decent bet to acquire stamina with physical and emotional maturity. If he can sustain 1H production through his 2H, and assuming he stays atop the Nats order, in front of James Wood and Dylan Crews, he could go 25-50 with 100 runs and a .275 BA, and get into the \$30s in 5x5 value.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: There is a tone of exasperation and resignation in people's voices when they talk about Abrams but he's only 25 and only seems like a disappointment because he's overshadowed by more than a few of his younger, more talented contemporaries. There's a potential first rounder lurking but even if this never materializes, he's a proven 20/30 contributor slipping far too much in drafts.

Wilyer Abreu

\$12

Bats:	L	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$13	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-104	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	76	.316	.862	10	2	14	3/1	9/23
24 BOS	399	.253	.781	59	15	58	8/3	40/125
25 BOS	373	.247	.786	53	22	69	6/3	40/101
26 BOS	466	.248	.769	66	21	73		9

He's not going to play against lefties and probably shouldn't, a career .589 OPS against them so far, but he was solid again against righties last year and plays strong enough defense to play regularly on the strong side of a platoon. That makes him easily rosterable in deep leagues, especially those that use OBP as a category, but puts him on the bubble in mixed 15 teamers that don't have daily transactions. He missed more than a month when he strained a calf in August, but he was back on the field to end the season and should be in the lineup whenever the Red Sox face a righty this season, hitting with some power. The team says they're going to play him more against lefties, too, but we'll see how that holds up. TM:BOS

Maximo Acosta

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-6	SS-6	3B-11	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AA	386	.288	.791	8	8	58	26/9	34/58
25 AAA	410	.224	.680	56	13	50	33/9	50/123
25 MIA	54	.204	.684	7	3	5	1/2	6/17

He played more games at third than any other in the majors last year, but mostly played shortstop in Triple-A so check your league position eligibility rules. He's not a better fielder, perhaps, than Graham Pauley, but he might be a better fantasy player if he makes the big team because of his speed. He's also a patient hitter but strikes out a fair amount, especially for a player with a passive approach and modest power. He did hit the ball harder in his brief time in Miami late last season and smote three homers in 61 at bats. He'll probably appear, when he appears, as a utilityman. TM:MIA

Ronald Acuna Jr.

\$35

Bats:	R	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:	\$43	22:\$34	23:\$42	24:\$50	25:\$26	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$20	22:\$26	23:\$69	24:\$5	25:\$19	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-91	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ATL	643	.337	1.016	149	41	106	73/14	80/84
24 ATL	192	.250	.716	38	4	15	16/3	27/53
25 ATL	338	.290	.935	74	21	42	9/1	71/102
26 ATL	552	.281	.863	106	28	78		26

As expected, he didn't return from rehabbing his post-surgical knee until late May and as should have been expected (but I didn't) he didn't attempt a steal for more than three weeks. By the time he went down with a calf strain in late July he'd attempted just five steals, a profile change that tamps down his fantasy value quite a bit. After he returned he had five more attempts in six weeks and was successful on all of them. The question isn't whether Acuna can run, his 64 percentile sprint speed last year was similar to the

67 he had in his monster 2023 season, but whether he will. Before he was injured in 2024 he attempted a steal once every 10 plate appearances after trying once every 8.4 plate appearances in 2023. Last year he tried once every 41 plate appearances. He finished strong last year and if he can stay healthy he should once again be an elite fantasy performer with lots of power and maybe a fair number of steals. TM:ATL

PHIL HERTZ PAN: He's excellent, when he plays. Over the past four seasons, he's averaged almost 80 days a year on the IL. Given what he'll cost, I'll look elsewhere.

ALEX PATTON PICK: His sprint speed is way down but his bat speed is still there.

Luisangel Acuna

\$6

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-81	SS-7	3B-6	OF-2	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	510	.294	.775	93	9	63	57/10	52/106
24 AAA	547	.258	.661	2	7	50	40/14	32/96
25 AAA	109	.303	.730	16	0	10	8/2	9/19
25 NYM	175	.234	.564	30	0	8	16/1	13/37
26 NYM	424	.245	.630	56	6	36		26

With Jeff McNeill on the IL to start last season he played regularly and impressed, but after McNeill returned playing time became spotty and he bounced between Triple-A and the majors. When he was playing every day he stole 10 bases in a hurry and he made enough contact, but his hard contact fell off a lot last year. He's young and has shown flashes, and will have more of a chance on the White Sox to play regularly, offering an opportunity for a breakout. Or at least a lot of steals. TM:NYM

Willy Adames

\$21

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	\$13	22:\$23	23:\$23	24:\$15	25:\$21	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$19	22:\$21	23:\$9	24:\$29	25:\$17	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-159	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIL	553	.217	.725	73	24	80	5/3	71/165
24 MIL	610	.251	.794	93	32	112	21/4	74/173
25 SFG	591	.225	.739	94	30	87	12/4	80/179
26 SFG	594	.235	.748	88	29	90		14

He had his big 2024 season right on time, earning a long and lucrative contract and helping fantasy teams everywhere. Last year was something of a reversion to form, a more expected outcome given his past performance, with 2024 looking like a career year. He's a solid defender at shortstop with decent power, but he struggles with contact and while it looks like his batting average was a little unlucky last year, a bump up to .240 or so doesn't move the needle much. That's because he's a big flyball hitter, ranked 13th among qualified hitters, who doesn't hit the ball particularly hard. When the ball doesn't clear the fence it's often an out. As for the decline in RBIs last year, in 2024 he was a beast with runners in scoring position, with a 1.073 OPS. Last year? A much more pedestrian .647. This isn't a knock on Adames, hitting with runners in scoring position is a stat subject to high variance. Adames is a good player whose talent aligns better with 2025 than 2024. TM:SFG

Player Name

Riley Adams

Bats:	R	Age:	30					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:-\$5	23:\$0	24:-\$3	25:-\$4				
ML C-80	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 WSN	143	.273	.811	8	4	21	0/0	11/45
24 WSN	116	.224	.629	10	2	8	1/0	10/35
25 WSN	263	.186	.560	29	8	24	1/0	18/110
26 WSN	166	.211	.609	18	5	17		1

TM:WSN

Jo Adell

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$12	23:\$3	24:\$1	25:\$10	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:\$2	23:-\$4	24:\$9	25:\$19	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-149	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 LAA	58	.207	.706	7	3	6	1/0	4/25
24 LAA	405	.207	.682	54	20	62	15/10	35/126
25 LAA	526	.236	.776	63	37	98	5/1	33/151
26 LAA	553	.233	.741	74	33	89		11

Despite his obvious talent while coming up, he often looked lost at the plate. Despite his strength he didn't hit the ball all that hard, and too often took strikes that put him in the hole or sat him down. Over the last two years he's adjusted, grown a bit more aggressive, and has been able to hit the ball harder while striking out less. The result has been more power and more balls in play, which last year led to an xBA of .273. That's not to say he's going to have a .250+ batting average this year, he's still got holes in his swing and might end up struggling again, but he's now shown he can adjust and hit major league pitching for power over an extended period. His future is starting to look a little brighter, a little more like the one envisioned for him when he first came up six years ago. TM:LAA

JEFF WINICK PAN: A post-hype prospect that finally showed off his prodigious power. But there's still too much swing and miss in the bat as shown by the low batting average accompanied by the low OBP. The power is real, but so are the struggles.

Ozzie Albies

Bats:	B	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:\$28	22:\$31	23:\$26	24:\$28	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E 21:\$30	22:\$5	23:\$32	24:\$10	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-157	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ATL	596	.280	.860	96	33	109	13/1	46/107
24 ATL	399	.251	.707	52	10	53	8/1	27/65
25 ATL	603	.240	.671	74	16	74	14/3	55/94
26 ATL	572	.250	.702	74	18	74		12

He struggled early last year, perhaps the lingering effects of the fractured wrist that disrupted his 2024 season. He was much solidier in the second half, with a .769 OPS that is a bit more reminiscent of his better days. The fact is, that when he hits the ball hard he's a power guy with good contact skills and some modest stolen base chops. He wasn't that guy last year overall, but he did bump up his hard hit rate in the second half. After two weak years the wolves are baying, but at a fair price Albies comes with some good upside. He still has talent, more than he's been able to show recently. TM:ATL

Kevin Alcantara

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-7	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	391	.284	.822	71	13	71	15/4	36/105
24 AAA	421	.278	.785	3	14	61	14/4	47/123
25 AAA	379	.266	.818	55	17	69	10/4	48/128

His contact struggles and power are obvious and should get a chance to play in the majors this year. The Cubs outfield is so crowded though that playing time for Alcantara appears to be limited, but he is out of options and would have to be exposed to waivers to head back to the minors. Consider a \$1 bid a longshot but low-risk play for a guy who will hit homers and steal bases and strike out if he plays. TM:CHC

Kemp Alderman

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
ML C-14	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-OF	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	488	.285	.819	69	22	70	22/1	39/124

He has a little pedigree, an early second round pick in 2023, No. 47 overall, but he was hampered by hand issues at first. He has massive power and struck out at only a 23.1 percent rate mostly in Double-A with a little Triple-A added in last year, which may represent a step forward for his hit tool. We'll see this year, as he'll likely start the season back in Triple-A. He killed last year in 82 plate appearances, hitting seven homers and stealing two bases. Reports of his long swing suggest he won't catch up to big league pitchers, and that may be true, but if he does adjust get on him in a hurry. TM:MIA

Blaze Alexander

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-14	SS-0	3B-54	OF-6	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	196	.276	.810	6	5	20	4/1	19/69
24 ARI	166	.247	.662	19	3	21	3/1	15/49
25 AAA	194	.284	.890	41	8	41	11/1	38/59
25 ARI	230	.230	.702	31	7	28	4/6	22/86
26 ARI	396	.232	.654	50	10	46		8

He took over third base for the D-Backs after Eugenio Suarez was traded. He was productive at first though he struck out a lot, but he hit seven homers and drove in 17 runs. Alas, in September he was challenged more, struck out more and walked less and hit no homers. He has legitimate power but is vulnerable to swinging and missing, and the patience he showed in the minors to get him pitches to hit and bases on balls just isn't as effective in the majors. TM:ARI

CJ Alexander

Bats:	L	Age:	30					
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-2	OF-2	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	374	.302	.922	4	19	68	2/3	31/85
25 AAA	413	.254	.783	66	15	66	7/3	51/130

He's had 25 major league plate appearances and struck out 44 percent of the time.

Jorge Alfaro

Bats:	R	Age:	33					
YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$5	23:\$2	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$3	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-14	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	254	.291	.809	27	7	39	5/0	14/65
25 AAA	307	.244	.715	49	15	49	12/0	11/119

TM:KCR

Nick Allen

Bats:	R	Age:	28					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:-\$2	24:-\$6	25:-\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-1303	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 OAK	303	.221	.552	29	4	20	5/1	17/52
24 OAK	97	.175	.457	6	1	4	0/0	5/20
25 ATL	371	.221	.530	32	0	22	8/7	31/99
26 HOU	126	.217	.547	12	1	9		3

He played a lot last year for the Braves because of his glove, which sparkles, and not his bat, which is dull and ineffectual. Traded to the Astros for the versatile Mauricio Dubon, he'll serve as backup for Carlos Correa, who almost never gets hurt. I mean, almost never doesn't get hurt. Alas, Allen's bat is so weak he's unlikely to be worth rostering unless you absolutely need one steal. Or maybe two. TM:HOU

Pete Alonso

Bats:	R	Age:	32					
YR/C 21:\$26	22:\$29	23:\$27	24:\$29	25:\$29	2026			
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$32	23:\$19	24:\$21	25:\$31	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-160	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYM	568	.217	.827	92	46	118	4/1	65/151
24 NYM	608	.240	.788	91	34	88	3/0	70/172
25 NYM	624	.272	.871	87	38	126	1/2	61/162
26 BAL	596	.254	.811	89	37	105		2

Since his arrival in the majors in 2019 only Aaron Judge, Kyle Schwarber, and Shohei Ohtani have hit as many homers, yet Alonso doesn't feel like he belongs in that elite group. Maybe it's because he arrived with such a big bang, setting the record for homers by a rookie, and since then has had his ups and downs, though he's settled in as a hitter of about 40 homers a year no matter. Last year was an up, a year in which he on average he hit the ball harder than ever while setting bests in xBA (and BA, too) and xSLG. He also had the best BABIP of his career, though he hit enough grounders and line drives to suggest that wasn't a fluke at all. In fact, none of his hitting last year was outside of career norms, which means this may have been on the upper side of Alonso's range, but it was all Alonso. A repeat would not be a surprise, but some regression is probably more likely. TM:BAL

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: You're paying for the career year, and while another 40+ HR, .270 season isn't out of the realm of possibility, the Polar Bear won't have the luxury of Francisco Lindor and especially Juan Soto batting in front of him in Baltimore, so say goodbye to a chunk of those RBI.

Jose Altuve

\$20

Bats: R	Age: 36							
YR/C 21:\$23	22:\$25	23:\$20	24:\$27	25:\$27	2026			
YR/E 21:\$30	22:\$38	23:\$23	24:\$32	25:\$23	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-66	SS-0	3B-0	OF-47	DH-49		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	360	.311	.917	76	17	51	14/2	44/71
24 HOU	628	.295	.790	94	20	65	22/7	47/119
25 HOU	588	.265	.771	80	26	77	10/6	55/109
26 HOU	575	.270	.756	81	21	71		14

When I first saw Altuve play, in 2011, I was not only impressed I was also enthused. Here was a little guy who played big, and while the power wasn't there those first few years it wasn't a surprise that it came. He's always given off the vibe that whatever he wanted to do he could do. That's going to be hard as he slides into the second half of his thirties, but after he moved off second base to help his team last year he deserved points for team over self. His has always been a game of contact over everything else, and walks if they give them. He's always been in the bottom quarter of the average exit velocity bucket and high in contact rate, that's what he values, but give him his pitch in his situation and he can jack one if he wants. But the clock is ticking. It will be a fantasy plus that he qualifies at second base again this year. TM:HOU

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: Simply looking at the batted ball metrics and betting against Altuve is a fool's errand but even with his uncanny ability to take advantage of Daikin Park and the Crawford Boxes Altuve put up his worst (non-COVID year) offensive season since 2013. He's 36 so maybe he squeezes another year or two out of his One Neat Trick but even at this year's discount ADP I'm out.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: Though he has almost always overperformed his xwOBA, this is the lowest mark he has posted over a full season since 2015. With his stolen base total in decline, it's an ominous sign that his fantasy value may soon take a significant hit.

Nacho Alvarez Jr.

Bats: R	Age: 23							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-58	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	416	.284	.795	8	10	57	26/3	66/83
25 ATL	188	.234	.623	18	2	15	0/0	12/49

The youngester fielded in at third when Austin Riley was hurt and showed he can field the position ably but has a low fantasy profile offensively if he plays and unless the Braves make significant moves or there are a series of injuries there's not a place for him to play. In any case, without much homer power or stolen base history his contributions are going to depend on his contact skills, which are fine but undermined by too much taking of called strikes. With experience there's a good chance he'll hit for average but with limited power and steals. TM:ATL

Francisco Alvarez

\$13

Bats: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$14	25:\$10	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$6	24:\$6	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-74	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYM	382	.209	.723	51	25	63	2/0	34/110
24 NYM	308	.237	.710	39	11	47	1/1	30/86
25 AAA	125	.248	.935	23	13	31	0/0	14/40
25 NYM	246	.256	.787	32	11	32	0/0	27/73
26 NYM	403	.239	.729	53	18	58		1

Started the year on the IL after surgery on his left hand to treat a broken bone. He slumped upon his return, most notably defensively, and was sent to Triple-A to get his game back in order in June. After he was recalled at the end of July he hit more, putting up a .921 OPS in the second half with a .285 ISO. That's in spite of a jammed right hand that cost him some starts late in August and led to postseason surgery. He's a patient hitter with tremendous power and enough contact issues to cost him batting average points when he slumps. But his hard swinging and hitting is also going to challenge opponents as he gains major league experience, especially if he can convert some of the many grounders he's hitting into line drives and fly balls. TM:NYM

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Even with all the injuries, he had 11 homers in 246 at bats. A modicum of health will net you 20+ homers.

Yordan Alvarez

\$31

Bats: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:\$26	22:\$32	23:\$36	24:\$36	25:\$37	2026			
YR/E 21:\$25	22:\$34	23:\$26	24:\$36	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-15	DH-32		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	410	.293	.998	77	31	97	0/0	69/92
24 HOU	552	.308	.959	88	35	86	6/0	69/95
25 HOU	165	.273	.797	17	6	27	1/1	28/33
26 HOU	486	.294	.912	80	30	85		4

Limited to less than a third of a season due to a hand fracture that wasn't properly diagnosed in early May, Alvarez teased and taunted his fantasy owners all season long, promising a quick return only to be pulled back again and again. When he did return, in late August, he soon went down with a season ending ankle sprain. Alvarez has dealt with hand issues before, so that's a little concerning, but despite sub-par results when he was able to play his skills appeared to be just fine. Give him a tick of discount for injury risk, but if he's healthy expect to see the Yordan Alvarez we're used to. TM:HOU

Adael Amador

\$4

Bats: B	Age: 23							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$6	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-41	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	275	.287	.883	55	12	46	15/5	39/37
24 AA	383	.230	.723	5	14	52	35/11	62/88
25 AAA	314	.303	.882	49	11	59	20/9	50/47
25 COL	113	.177	.515	5	1	10	1/1	11/27
26 COL	275	.230	.647	32	6	29		9

He's had great discipline at the plate coming up through the minors and even walked more than he struck out in Triple-A last year, but that was after struggling as a major leaguer in April and May. Stats from Colorado's Triple-A ballpark are extreme, it's perhaps the most friendly hitters park in a hitters league, but

that usually is reflected in batted balls, not so much walks and strikeouts. Amador's profile reflects his patience, his selection of pitches to put in play, and his mild mixture of power and speed. If he makes it work in Colorado he'll have some value in only leagues but until then there's not much else to hope for. TM:COL

Jacob Amaya

Bats: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:-\$6				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-35	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	484	.252	.767	85	15	65	6/2	70/106
24 ---	68	.176	.413	4	0	3	1/0	4/28
25 AAA	188	.250	.772	25	9	28	5/4	29/64
25 CHW	66	.106	.258	7	0	8	2/0	3/16

In small pieces of three seasons with Miami, Houston, and the White Sox he's hit .147 with no homers and four steals. It's a small sample, which perhaps says more about him than the results. But he's solid in the field and signed a minor league deal with the Diamondbacks. TM:ARI

Miguel Amaya

\$2

Bats: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$2	24:\$3	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-27	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	131	.214	.692	17	5	18	0/0	12/40
24 CHC	328	.232	.640	32	8	47	0/0	23/62
25 CHC	96	.281	.811	14	4	25	0/0	4/22
26 CHC	256	.236	.662	30	8	36		1

He went down in late May with an oblique strain, was activated in August and played one game before going down with a sprained ankle that kept him out for the rest of the season. In his short season he hit for a freakishly high batting average, his xBA of .246 is more in line with his skills. He's likely to start the season behind Carson Kelly on the depth chart but should play enough if he stays healthy to have NL only value. TM:CHC

Max Anderson

Bats: R	Age: 24							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	504	.296	.828	78	19	88	3/3	36/87

Split the 2025 season unevenly between Double- and Triple-A, with much more time in Double-A, and is likely slotted back to Triple-A to work on his defensive play at third base where he only played 21 games last year before heading to the Arizona Fall League. In the AFL he exploded, hitting .447 powering a 1.418 OPS with four homers and twice as many walks as strikeouts (18/9). Pitching in the AFL is notoriously spotty, so this small sample shouldn't be completely ignored but it likely does not represent a mind-blowing advance for Anderson. But he was a toolsy power-speed guy whose bat was the likely impediment to major league success. As a pro he's been aggressive and with good contact skills and a little power, which might put him on target for the Tigers lineup sometime this year. Don't expect a big star but he looks like he could be a productive regular if he can stick at third base. TM:DET

Player Name

Tim Anderson

Bats:	R	Age:	33
YR/C 21:	\$28	22:	\$29
YR/E 21:	\$32	22:	\$18
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-16	SS-15
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	CHW	.493	.245
24	MIA	.234	.214
25	LAA	.83	.205

He didn't sign after the Angels released him in May. TM:---

Miguel Andujar

Bats:	R	Age:	31
YR/C 21:	\$2	22:	\$2
YR/E 21:	\$0	22:	\$2
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	PIT	.84	.250
24	OAK	.302	.285
25	---	.321	.318
26	---	.378	.277

He got his mojo back last year, playing in two homer-friendly parks has to help. Statcast says his xBA was .261, which was the same mojo he had in 2024, but a jump in xSLG and actual SLG was the result of hitting the ball a little harder and a little more in the air. Not a big difference but more mojo. His situation this year will determine if he can keep it going, with his defense and last year's injuries reasons he might not get a big enough chance. TM:---

Roman Anthony

Bats:	L	Age:	22
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	A+	.397	.272
24	AAA	.454	.291
25	AAA	.212	.288
26	BOS	.257	.292

He was walking more than 19 percent of the time in Triple-A when the Red Sox called him up in early June, and while he got off to a slow start by July he'd turned that around. In August the Red Sox and Anthony agreed to a big eight-year contract. And in early September he pulled an oblique and missed the rest of the season. The No. 1 ranked prospect coming into 2025, he is expected to be a power bat anchored in the middle of the lineup, with elite strike zone judgment. He struggled a little with contact at the major league level last year, not in a disqualifying way but indicating he has some work to do, which is understandable for a very young graduate to the major leagues. But note that his xBA was .268, not pushing .300, due to good BABIP luck and a 60.3 percent hard hit rate. Of more concern was the time he missed due to back pain before he strained his oblique. If he stays healthy he should soon be among the game's elite, though given his limited major league experience and age this year, it's probably better not to count on a breakout this year. TM:BOS

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: He posted elite Statcast power metrics in his half season ML debut, but somehow finished with only a barely above league average HR/FB rate and ISO. That means his power output is likely

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headed up, way up, this season. A low FB% will limit his home run ceiling, but this is a potentially elite skill set.

Jonathan Aranda

Bats:	L	Age:	28
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-93	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	TBR	.87	.230
24	TBR	.128	.234
25	TBR	.370	.316
26	TBR	.535	.263

He fractured his wrist in a collision with Giancarlo Stanton in late July and missed much of the rest of the season, though he did play the last week. He was platooned early in the year but saw his share of at bats against lefties as the season progressed. He was more effective against righties but was fine against lefties when all was said and done. He's got decent strikezone judgment and makes enough contact to suggest he'll continue posting good batting averages, but his .409 BABIP certainly inflated his mark last year. His xBA was .294 and that too might have been inflated due to an otherworldly 25.9 percent line drive percentage. That's a number that Luis Arraez and Steven Kwan reach regularly, but for most others it is an outlier and reverts back to a more average 20 percent or so. TM:TBR

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Is a big on-base bat projected for a high OBP and his price will be lower if only because he missed the last part of the season with an injury. He is the real deal.

Orlando Arcia

Bats:	R	Age:	32
YR/C 21:	\$4	22:	\$1
YR/E 21:	\$5	22:	\$2
ML C-0	1B-11	2B-21	SS-29
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	ATL	.488	.264
24	ATL	.551	.218
25	---	.203	.202
26	MIN	.109	.218

He started last season as the Braves starting shortstop again, but was soon supplanted and eventually released in May. He signed with Colorado and played somewhat regularly but didn't hit and he became a free agent at year's end. He's signed to a minor-league deal with the Twins and is likely minor league depth until injuries open spots ahead of him. The Twins are not a team known for keeping their players healthy, but Arcia's aggressive approach with a bit too much hit and miss has fantasy value because with volume come some home runs. Consider him waiver material if he's on the big league roster. TM:MIN

Jadher Areinamo

Bats:	R	Age:	22
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
25	AA	.508	.285

Got his first taste of Double-A last year and continued to show plenty of contact skill with okay strikezone judgement. He's got limited defensive upside so we'll need to produce at

the higher levels to hold onto a roster spot. TM: TBR

Nolan Arenado

Bats:	R	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	\$26	22:	\$23
YR/E 21:	\$22	22:	\$32
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	STL	.560	.266
24	STL	.578	.272
25	STL	.401	.237
26	ARI	.538	.251

He missed six weeks in the second half with a shoulder strain, and was in a woeful slump before he went down. In the first half he had a .701 OPS, striking out 7.2 percent of the time and walking 10.2 percent. That's not Arenado-esque but it's playable. He clearly wanted to get out of St. Louis, modifying his no trade clause and so he's now landed in Arizona. Given his still fine if no longer awesome defense and a bit of offensive value, plus a better place to hit in Chase Field, he might help the Diamondbacks this year and it won't cost them what the Cardinals were paying. But for fantasy purposes he's slid from a top quartile hard hitter to a bottom 12-percenter, with one of the longest swings in the game. And a fly ball hitter to boot. A rebound from last year's bottom is possible, especially if he stays healthy, but far from a sure thing. TM:ARI

Gabriel Arias

Bats:	R	Age:	26
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-28	SS-106
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	CLE	.315	.210
24	CLE	.153	.222
25	CLE	.432	.220
26	CLE	.430	.227

Earned a bit of fantasy moolah based on homers and steals, but not walking much and striking out a lot is not a formula for a long career. And so far that's been his profile in his so far short career. He's got defensive skills that are going to earn him a leash, especially as long as he's cheap in Cleveland, and he swings hard which is a good thing. But when you are one of the game's biggest whiffers, your future value is going to depend on you adjusting. We don't know if he can do that. TM:CLE

Victor Arias

Bats:	L	Age:	23
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
25	AA	.412	.272

He's struggled with contact coming up and shows some progress, but backslid a little once he landed in Double-A last year. He's fast and has a bit of pop, but is slotted for Double-A and maybe Triple-A this year. TM:TOR

Randy Arozarena

\$21

Bats: R Age: 31

YR/C	21:\$26	22:\$27	23:\$30	24:\$29	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E	21:\$27	22:\$31	23:\$23	24:\$12	25:\$23	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-158	DH-2			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TBR	551	.254	.796	95	23	83	22/10	80/156
24	---	549	.219	.720	77	20	60	20/10	73/169
25	SEA	613	.238	.760	95	27	76	31/6	64/191
26	SEA	583	.233	.711	87	24	73		25

He's lost a step or three, but was able to take advantage of the steals rules to nearly match his 2022 total while getting caught less. The question after his down 2024 was whether this late bloomer would be able to rebound, and the answer was yes. The main takeaway is that his early above average batting averages were somewhat lucky and his xBA for his career is more similar to last year's results than those years he hit .275. So don't expect a bounceback there unless he gets lucky. And worry too about those steals. His once elite sprint speed is not even middle of the road, and while it didn't hurt him last year he's going start running less at some point. TM:SEA

TIM MCLEOD PICK: Arozarena has five consecutive 20/20 seasons on his resume and in three of those years has scored 90+ runs. Google "safe floor" and his picture pops up.

Aiva Arquette

Bats: R Age: 23

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	A+	117	.242	.673	11	1	10	7/2	17/27

Miami prospect has big power-speed potential. He was the No. 7 overall out of the 2025 draft, but he struggled at High-A last year and is going to need more seasoning and development time to reach his potential and the big leagues. Much more a potential contributor in 2027 than this year. TM:MIA

Luis Arraez

\$17

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C	21:\$5	22:\$10	23:\$15	24:\$17	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E	21:\$15	22:\$31	23:\$35	24:\$27	25:\$22	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-117	2B-14	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-29			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIA	574	.354	.866	71	10	69	3/2	35/34
24	---	637	.314	.738	83	4	46	9/3	24/29
25	SDP	620	.292	.713	66	8	61	11/4	34/21
26	---	585	.302	.721	71	5	54		9

Outside the strikezone? He's swinging more. Making lots of contact, but not hitting the ball as hard as he has in the past. Which is a reason to not think that the lowest BABIP of his career, by a lot, was unlucky, but rather a consequence of the way he played. He suffered a concussion early in the season and played through a knee strain, which may explain some of the fall off. Or put another way, explain at least in part why he played the way he played. He bounced back in the second half, hitting .310 with a .742 OPS, not too far off his career averages of .317 and .777. Arraez has always been tough to value, with so much of his earnings tied to batting average. After the fact he can be a valuable piece, but when drafting a team he's a roster slot deficit in four of the five categories. Expect a rebound this year, but don't pay a dollar more than you would have paid last year. TM:---

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: You want to plug your 1B slot with single-digit pHR and pSB, and

sub-130 R+RBI? Maybe—if he hits .350. Which he did once. Three years ago.

ROTOROB PAN: Simply does not hit the ball with authority; in fact he had the lowest hard contact rate in the bigs by a significant margin last season. Considering that over the last two years he's lost 62 points of BA – his only Fantasy worthy skill – he's a tough pill to swallow for prospective owners.

Michael Arroyo

Bats: R Age: 22

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	450	.262	.834	78	17	54	12/5	69/104

The Mariners are moving him from second base, where he was not so hot, to left field this year in hopes his power bat continues to develop. He's shown good strikezone judgement and power coming up and is a more likely major leaguer in 2027. TM:SEA

Akil Baddoo

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C	21:\$3	22:\$17	23:\$5	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:\$17	22:-\$1	23:\$4	24:-\$6	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-7	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	DET	312	.218	.683	40	11	34	14/3	42/89
24	DET	73	.137	.521	7	2	5	1/0	8/27
25	AAA	408	.279	.862	75	16	52	27/4	70/117

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Harrison Bader

\$11

Bats: R Age: 32

YR/C	21:\$8	22:\$15	23:\$13	24:\$7	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$9	23:\$7	24:\$11	25:\$18	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-142	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	---	319	.232	.633	44	7	40	20/3	17/59
24	NYM	402	.236	.657	57	12	51	17/8	21/95
25	---	448	.277	.796	61	17	54	11/7	39/136
26	SFG	470	.247	.689	62	15	57		16

His career year turned on hitting the ball harder than ever before and getting BABIP luckier than he'd ever been in his baseball life. His xBA of .223 should put a dampener on the idea that this is a whole new Bader.

This is still a quick Bader, but he ran less last year and less successfully making it hard to count on that. His defense gives him cover at the bottom of the order but a reversion to his previous form with fewer stolen bases is not a place fantasy players should go. TM:SFG

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Huge jump in BABIP (36%) led to a surprising second half. There's every reason to believe that BABIP will drop back below 30% and with that a weak-side platoon role.

Javier Baez

\$5

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C	21:\$23	22:\$27	23:\$18	24:\$9	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E	21:\$26	22:\$15	23:\$4	24:-\$2	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-10	SS-63	3B-23	OF-53	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	DET	510	.222	.598	58	9	59	12/0	24/125
24	DET	272	.184	.516	25	6	37	8/1	12/69
25	DET	417	.257	.680	55	12	57	5/1	10/109
26	DET	328	.230	.617	37	9	41		6

His return to fantasy relevance, if you trust Statcast's xBA, was really just more of the same for Baez, who was brought down in 2023 and 2024 by bad luck on balls in play and his troubles making contact. Or maybe the problem is something else. His two best years for contact since 2016 were last year and the

year before. He's always been bad at it, and he avoids striking out as much as he did his first year by being more aggressive, swinging more, even on pitches out of the zone. Among hitters with 350 or more plate appearances, Baez ranked behind only Yainer Diaz and Jake Mangum in swinging at balls out of the strike zone, and he towered over them for making swinging and called strikes. He's on the bubble in Detroit as new talents surface, and despite his still excellent fielding and two-years left on his contract could end up being pushed aside. That's the reason not to bet on a repeat. TM:DET

Joshua Baez

Bats: R Age: 23

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	418	.287	.884	78	20	79	54/9	59/103

He split last season one-third High-A and two-thirds Double-A, putting up a .213 ISO and .884 OPS. This looks like progress for a big slugger drafted out of high school in the second round in 2021. A vastly improved strikeout profile was reportedly the result of an altered stance and better swing decisions on pitches in the zone. He also runs, look at all those steals! There are still issues with his swing, which tends long, and he'll be tested in Triple-A this year, presumably. He's far from a sure-thing as a big league regular, he's going to be tested by better pitching, and would seem to be a better bet for the majors in 2027, but with a hot start in the minors this year he could advance at any time. TM:STL

Patrick Bailey

\$4

Bats: B Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$5	25:\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-1321B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	SFG	326	.233	.645	29	7	48	1/0	21/100
24	SFG	401	.234	.636	46	8	46	4/0	39/100
25	SFG	409	.222	.600	47	6	55	1/0	30/133
26	SFG	473	.225	.619	53	10	54		3

His estimated stats were slightly lower than his low actual stats, which tells you how strong his defense is, because his only offensive value is the 450 plate appearances he's likely to get if he stays healthy. That's not nothing in NL only leagues using two catchers, but it's not a lot and more in the future is unlikely. TM:SFG

Luken Baker

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:	25:				
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-13			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	STL	86	.209	.627	9	2	10	0/0	13/31
24	AAA	376	.231	.895	2	32	79	0/0	67/110
25	AAA	345	.223	.776	47	18	56	0/0	58/104

TM:ARI-

Player Name

Brooks Baldwin

\$5

Bats:	B	Age:	26		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:\$5	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-10	SS-10	3B-15	OF-79
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
24	AAA	315	.324	.857	3
24	CHW	114	.211	.564	9
25	AAA	117	.368	1.176	29
25	CHW	300	.240	.693	32
26	CHW	295	.234	.670	34

He hit the ball harder last year than he did in 2024, but when he didn't hit the ball he struck out a lot and didn't walk much. Plus, he played a lot of positions but not very well, which made him something of a bizzarro utilityman. Swinging harder was a good move for him, at least against righties, and it is possible there is further development coming. He had a much better walk to strikeout ratio in Triple-A and last year there hit with a ton more power, but his defensive struggles and persistent imbalance of walks and strikeouts should dampen any expectations. TM:CHW

Drake Baldwin

\$18

Bats:	L	Age:	25		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$17	Bid Price
ML C-97	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
24	AAA	468	.276	.793	58
25	ATL	405	.274	.810	56
26	ATL	468	.265	.767	64

Coming off a fine 2024 season in Triple-A, Baldwin ascended to the starting job out of camp last year because of a Sean Murphy injury, and never fully relinquished it. His low price was a boon for those who picked him up in the endgame, as he got off to a good start (April OPS of .731) and followed that with a 1.003, .741, .800, .800, and .801. His lefty/righty splits of .818 and .808 respectively, are a testament to his apparent solidity. With Murphy somewhat iffy for the start of this season after hip surgery Baldwin should pick up where he left off behind the plate, with the potential for more plate appearances if he and Murphy share the catching and designated hitter roles. Baldwin's level stroke has him hitting way more grounders than flies but his excellent strikezone control, contact skills, and hard swinging should net him his share of homers and run production. TM:ATL

DAVE ADLER PICK: He'll already be popular after that debut - but there could be more to come. Good contact skills make a high BA likely - but he puts too many batted balls on the ground. With a little more lift, he could blow by his 2025 HR total.

Moises Ballesteros

\$6

Bats:	L	Age:	23		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price
ML C-1	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
24	AAA	454	.289	.836	4
25	AAA	446	.316	.858	62
25	CHC	57	.298	.868	12
26	CHC	344	.255	.713	44

The Cubs didn't let him face lefties after he arrived last season, which makes some sense because he was handcuffed by them in Triple-A in 2025. But in 2024, which he split 10 HITTERS

between Double-A and Triple-A, he hit lefties just fine. He had two brief stints early in the season with the big club, and didn't do much, but after he was recalled in September he hit .333 with a .999 OPS, walking 15.2 percent of the time and striking out 23.9 percent of the time. He's not going to hit like that over the long term, even if he only faces righties, but he's got a catcher's perspective on the strike zone, even if he doesn't play back there anymore. But a slow contact hitter with no defensive value has a limited future unless he adds power. If he does he could become a mainstay DH for years to come, but if he doesn't he'll soon enough be gone. TM:CHC

Addison Barger

\$12

Bats:	L	Age:	26		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:\$13	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-91	OF-57
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	A	357	.246	.750	56
24	TOR	208	.197	.600	20
25	TOR	460	.243	.755	61
26	TOR	439	.237	.716	57

He hit the ball harder last year, mostly pulled it, and the results show it helped. Some post season heroics should raise his profile enough that he might be overpriced. On the other hand, though he does draw many walks he makes enough contact to drive a better batting average than he showed last year, especially if he avoids at bats against lefties, against whom he's hit .195 in his career with little power. Pitchers will try to neutralize his power by inducing him to chase off the plate, but his bat control and quickness have a chance to win the day. Don't expect more and you may not be disappointed. TM:TOR

JEFF WINICK PAN: Bargers - we don't need no stinking Bargers. The 22-80-4 line turns out to be deceptive once you've lifted the hood. Can't hit lefties and that three-year run of OBPs below .300 says that this is a guy who Toronto won't find worthy of its superstar roster.

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Ignore the World Series heroics. Japanese slugger Kazuma Okamoto, a big Jays' offseason get, plays 1B, 3B and OF. But Vlad Jr. plays 1B, reducing Okamoto's options to 3B and OF. Barger also plays 3B and OF. The only open OF slot is in RF, where Barger is (very lightly) penciled into a RF platoon, with his .551 career OPS vs. LHP. And even the platoon is shaky: Barger scuffled in Aug/Sept to a .200/.267/.378 (.644 OPS) vs. RHP. A PT squeeze looks inevitable.

Austin Barnes

Bats:	R	Age:	37		
YR/C 21:	\$1	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	-\$1	22:\$0	23:-\$7	24:\$0	25:
ML C-12	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	LAD	178	.180	.507	15
24	LAD	140	.264	.634	12
26	NYM	115	.226	.596	12

TM:NYM

Jose Barrero

Bats:	R	Age:	28		
YR/C 21:	22:\$4	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$7	23:-\$3	24:	25:	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-6	SS-5	3B-1	OF-8
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	CIN	133	.218	.625	15
24	AAA	165	.188	.633	8
25	AAA	282	.223	.701	37

TM:BAL

Jorge Barrosa

\$1

Bats:	B	Age:	25		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$6	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-30
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	AAA	412	.274	.853	91
24	AAA	319	.266	.781	4
25	AAA	394	.294	.806	67
25	ARI	71	.141	.394	8
26	ARI	127	.205	.566	15

Played a little in 2024 and a bit more earlier last summer, but he got his first real look in September and he struggled. He's a small guy with good speed and no power, so he needs to put the ball in play and take the game to the defense, but he was passive in his time with the Diamondbacks and took a lot of called strikes and made modest contact. That was his first series of tastes and he should get another try this year. He's fast enough that if he can get to his contact skills he could make a mark. TM:ARI

Joey Bart

\$2

Bats:	R	Age:	30		
YR/C 21:	\$1	22:\$6	23:\$5	24:\$3	25:\$7
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:-\$5	24:\$9	25:\$2	Bid Price
ML C-83	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	SFG	87	.207	.538	9
24	PIT	253	.265	.799	38
25	PIT	285	.249	.696	21
26	PIT	302	.243	.688	36

He was unable to build on or even maintain the gains he made in 2024, though pitchers threw him many fewer first pitch strikes. They appeared to pitch around him though they also struck him out more than they had the year before. He also hit more ground balls harder and without his power his offensive fantasy profile gets pretty thin quickly. Definitely not a hitter to target this year, his defense is weak enough that he could be pushed aside at any time, but one who might be a small endgame surprise. His 2024 season was real. TM:PIT

JEFF WINICK PAN: I thought he was a great post-hype prospect going into last year. I was wrong. Not even a decent second catcher with Henry Davis in town.

Samuel Basallo

\$10

Bats:	L	Age:	22		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$5	Bid Price
ML C-22	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
24	AAA	479	.278	.797	2
25	AAA	270	.270	.966	49
25	BAL	109	.165	.559	10
26	BAL	405	.234	.699	51

He still has his rookie eligibility and heads into this year as the Orioles No. 1 prospect even though he didn't show a lot in his time with the team last year. Is he ready for the big leagues?

He took an aggressive approach and swung at a lot of pitches out of the zone, but all things considered didn't strike out that much. His BABIP of .187 suggests he was unlucky, but his xBA was only .219, which might be a better estimate of skills he showed. If he sticks with the big club this year he should show plenty of power, but he could also flounder as pitchers tease him with stuff off the plate. He was more patient coming up so last year's aggression may have just been a youngster getting the lay of the land. Lucky for fantasy players he'll qualify at catcher, which should make the risk factor a little more palatable. TM:BALL

DAVE ADLER PAN: The power is there, as he's shown in the minors. But there's also some swing and miss, which will impact his BA. There may be some bumps on the road to stardom.

Brett Baty

\$9

Bats: L Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$7	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$1	24:-\$1	25:\$13	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-57	SS-0	3B-87	OF-0	DH-3		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYM	353	.212	.598	41	9	34	2/0	29/109
24 NYM	153	.229	.631	15	4	16	0/0	16/42
25 NYM	393	.254	.748	53	18	50	8/0	33/108
26 NYM	385	.243	.706	48	15	48		5

The muscular infielder hit the ball hard but too often on the ground after he was recalled from Triple-A in early May. Given a chance to start against righties while playing third and second base, he had an up and down season but did post an .829 OPS after the All Star break. Alas, he struck out 31.7 percent of the time in September, while cutting his ground ball rate to 48.7 percent. Grounders don't become homers. Injuries have slowed his development, but his approach is a problem that is going to keep him from being the power-hitter the Mets thought they drafted. He's strong enough homers will come to the extent he plays, but a possible platoon and more than 50 percent ground ball rate limits his fantasy appeal, at least for now. TM:NYM

PHIL HERTZ PICK: One-time top prospect seemed to turn the corner during the second half of 2025: 10 homers, .805 OPS after July 1. Many of your competitors may have moved on from him so you might get a solid third baseman for a bargain price.

Jake Bauers

\$3

Bats: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	\$1	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$0	22:	23:\$0	24:\$4	25:\$3	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-40	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-25	DH-7		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	242	.202	.704	28	12	30	3/2	27/95
24 MIL	302	.199	.662	45	12	43	13/1	39/118
25 MIL	183	.235	.752	28	7	28	8/1	32/59
26 MIL	310	.211	.680	43	13	43		10

Contact struggles have derailed his career a number of times, but he seems to have found a home with Milwaukee. His prodigious patience last year and the bit of power he's shown coupled with a fair price should win him the strong side platoon job this year. He has enough power to be a cheap NL only first baseman with no mixed league significance. TM:MIL

Travis Bazzana

\$4

Bats: L Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 A+	101	.238	.765	4	3	12	5/0	17/31
25 AAA	302	.245	.812	71	9	39	12/2	66/91
26 CLE	203	.212	.628	24	5	22		4

He was the No. 1 pick of the 2024 draft that has already given us Nick Kurtz. He was considered by most to be the best hitter in that draft and has shown an incredible minor league knack for taking walks and striking out. In 120 plate appearances in Triple-A last summer he walked 24.2 percent of the time and struck out 24.3 percent. That's a three-true outcomes profile even though of his 51.8 TTO rate 48.5 came without homering. He was not a great second baseman coming out of college and has been working to improve and the Guardians say he's their second baseman of the future, so when is the future? Likely at some point this year, but given all his minor league strikeouts it's hard to judge how he's going to adjust to big league pitching. It's best not to anticipate a smooth transition when the time comes. TM:CLE

Dylan Beavers

\$10

Bats: L Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-35	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 A+	262	.244	.705	18	4	29	5/3	29/53
25 AAA	342	.304	.933	78	18	51	23/5	68/76
25 BAL	110	.227	.772	16	4	14	2/2	26/36
26 BAL	371	.232	.709	51	12	45		10

Called up in August from Triple-A he hit for power, stole a bunch of bases, and demonstrated a preternatural patience and good contact skills, though his strikeout rate bumped up. He wasn't exposed much to lefties after he the promotion, maybe because in Triple-A he had a .356 SLG against lefties and a .548 against righties. In both cases though he walked a lot, as he did in the majors, but in the minors he hit the ball hard and in the majors he did not. Chalk that up to growing pains or settling in. He's big and athletic and his batting eye should ensure that he's at least helping his team by getting on base, and cap expectations until he shows he can handle, and the Orioles let him face lefties. TM:BALL

ALEX PATTON PICK: Has a quick bat and there's reason to think he might steal some bases.

Jordan Beck

\$14

Bats: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-139	DH-7		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	174	.316	.945	1	8	35	6/1	23/45
24 COL	170	.188	.521	14	3	13	7/1	12/65
25 COL	539	.258	.732	62	16	53	19/8	43/174
26 COL	510	.243	.693	63	15	58		17

A surprisingly successful season because he struck out less, though still too much, and had plenty of BABIP luck, ending up with an xBA of .228. But his fantasy owners last year, likely desperate for hitting when they picked him up, didn't worry about that. Prospective Jordan

Beck owners this year should, because while there is plenty to like in his athleticism and his home ballpark (he had an .814 OPS at home, a .635 on the road), there is plenty to worry about in his ability to make contact. He struck out nearly 30 percent of his at bats last year against the fastball, the pitch he was most successful against. Another curiosity is that Beck had the sixth biggest difference between his average exit velocity last year and his maximum exit velocity. This can be a sign of a good hitter who chooses his spots for power, Jose Altuve comes to mind, and power hitters who have incredible maxes, like Valdimir Guerrero Jr., but it is also a place where misbegotten hitters (at least so far) like Joey Ortiz reside. Beck surely wants to be more like Altuve than Ortiz, but that isn't the case so far. Beck has pedigree, he was a first-rounder in 2022 (38th overall) and is young enough to grow further, but a repeat of his success last year is far from certain. TM:COL

Josh Bell

\$10

Bats: B Age: 34

YR/C 21:	\$19	22:\$22	23:\$17	24:\$11	25:\$8	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$18	22:\$20	23:\$11	24:\$14	25:\$10	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-33	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-98		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ---	547	.247	.748	52	22	74	0/1	63/134
24 ---	538	.249	.722	62	19	71	0/1	51/120
25 WSN	468	.239	.747	54	22	63	0/3	57/88
26 MIN	495	.246	.732	61	20	68		1

Signed with the Twins in the offseason and will apparently be their bad first baseman because his fielding is not good. So maybe he'll end up DHing more. He was terrible against lefties last year but that was an aberration, he's usually fine against them. He's usually fine the other way, too, and will likely be fine this year, which is another way of saying that for pretty much his whole career except 2019 he's been okay and unremarkable. He bumped his hard hit and barrel rates up to 2019 levels last year but didn't get the same results. He should be fine if you don't pay him as if he's going to do better. TM:MIN

Cody Bellinger

\$24

Bats: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	\$33	22:\$21	23:\$15	24:\$25	25:\$25	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$3	22:\$11	23:\$35	24:\$20	25:\$29	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-7	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-149	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	499	.307	.903	95	26	97	20/6	40/87
24 CHC	516	.266	.751	72	18	78	9/2	45/89
25 NYY	588	.272	.813	89	29	98	13/2	57/90
26 NYY	586	.265	.769	84	24	88		12

His fine season last year doesn't clear up the question about which Bellinger you're going to get in any given year. He's gone from a patient power hitter early in his career to an aggressive contact hitter with decent but not overpowering production. Some of his projection this year is going to depend on how the team around him performs, and his role in the batting order, which will probably be similar to last year now that he's re-signed with the Yankees. Last year he mostly batted in the middle of the order, but his best at bats collectively came when he was batting second, which makes intuitive sense because of all that contact he makes. TM:NYN

Player Name

Carson Benge

\$6

Bats: L	Age: 23								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	441	.281	.857	87	15	73	22/4	68/92
26	NYM	423	.231	.663	54	11	48	8	

Drafted in the first round in 2024, No. 19 overall, he's an athletic and speedy outfielder with a solid hit tool who should develop more in-game power as he quiets his swing. He was a two-way player at Oklahoma State, even after 2022 TJ, and has a strong arm and the speed to play any outfield position. He gave up pitching after signing with the Mets. Given his batting eye and contact skills and comments by Mets management Benge has a chance to make the Mets out of camp. He only has 103 plate appearances at Triple-A, which is a red flag that if he does make the team and gets off to a bad start his leash may be short. But given his defensive skills and offensive potential, his odds of success if he makes it this year are good. TM:NYM

Andrew Benintendi

\$9

Bats: L	Age: 32								
YR/C 21:	\$16	22:\$18	23:\$13	24:\$8	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$20	22:\$12	23:\$12	24:\$9	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-69	DH-44			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CHW	562	.262	.686	72	5	45	13/2	52/89
24	CHW	477	.229	.685	50	20	64	3/2	41/96
25	CHW	420	.240	.737	57	20	63	1/0	40/82
26	CHW	460	.244	.712	57	18	61	3	

He was decidedly better at home last year and decidedly better against lefties and decidedly meh for fantasy purposes. He's still a somewhat aggressive contact hitter but he made the least contact ever last year by swinging and missing more at pitches in and out of the zone. He has recovered what homer power he once had the last two years by hitting more balls in the air, but that has cost him batting average value. Injuries to his thigh and calf early last season cost him about a month of at bats and a likely personal best in homers. He may stay healthy and set that mark this year but will not likely see much of a boost in value. TM:CHW

Will Benson

\$2

Bats: L	Age: 28								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$10	25:\$1	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:--\$5	23:\$13	24:\$3	25:\$4	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-82	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CIN	287	.275	.866	51	11	31	19/3	40/103
24	CIN	343	.187	.649	41	14	43	16/7	40/154
25	AAA	153	.275	.823	32	7	33	6/0	22/49
25	CIN	230	.226	.708	31	12	41	2/2	16/67
26	CIN	211	.214	.694	28	9	29	7	

He began last season in the minors but was called up to spell others and play somewhat regularly against righties. Only against righties. He slumped, returned to Triple-A and was called back up rinse and repeat. His career K rate is slightly above 33 percent. He cut that last year to 26.5 percent but he also cut his walk rate nearly in half, which reduces his on base effectiveness. He's athletic and has power but he's been ineffective stealing the last two years and unlikely to get more than occasional at bats TM:CIN

Warming Bernabel

Bats: R	Age: 24								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	282	.301	.805	46	8	45	5/1	23/39
25	COL	139	.252	.698	15	4	14	1/1	7/25

He signed a minor league deal with the Nationals and will need to beat out Andres Chaparro for the weak side of a platoon at first base. He has better contact skills but not as much power, and he's not on the 40-man roster, which makes him even more of an underdog. If he does make the team he'd have a smidge of draft day value. TM:WSN

Leonardo Bernal

Bats: B	Age: 22								
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	396	.247	.724	58	13	70	13/3	49/77

Power-speed catcher was added to the 40-man roster in the offseason. He spent most of last year at High-A so he seems like a more likely rookie in 2027, but his well rounded game might add up to real fantasy value when he arrives. And because he does a bit of everything well, maybe he can sneak by Jimmy Crooks on the Cardinals catcher depth chart. TM:STL

Steward Berroa

Bats: B	Age: 27								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-2	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	260	.281	.828	3	10	47	34/8	35/71
25	AAA	280	.236	.659	55	2	25	34/9	49/85

TM:MIL

Jon Berti

Bats: R	Age: 36								
YR/C 21:	\$10	22:\$3	23:\$10	24:\$6	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:	\$1	22:\$17	23:\$16	24:--\$1	25:--\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-0	3B-28	OF-1	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIA	388	.294	.754	53	7	33	16/6	29/77
24	NYE	66	.273	.656	10	1	6	5/1	6/14
25	CHC	100	.210	.492	12	0	2	11/3	5/22
26	---	203	.231	.599	25	3	17	12	

Released in August last year he did not sign elsewhere. He has struggled since his career year in Miami in 2023. TM:---

Mookie Betts

\$27

Bats: R	Age: 34								
YR/C 21:	\$42	22:\$33	23:\$35	24:\$39	25:\$35	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$21	22:\$34	23:\$43	24:\$25	25:\$21	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-148	3B-0	OF-1	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	LAD	584	.307	.994	126	39	107	14/3	96/107
24	LAD	450	.289	.863	75	19	75	16/2	61/57
25	LAD	589	.258	.732	95	20	82	8/2	61/68
26	LAD	571	.270	.792	92	23	84	11	

By the start of last season he was still recovering from an illness that made it tough to hold food down and caused him to lose 20 pounds. Let's say that was a reason for his slow start to the season. Then, at the start of June, he fractured his big toe. He was able to play with it, but he only made five steals attempts the rest of the way and was caught twice. Before the toe he stole five bases in two months with no caught stealing. His best months of the year were August and September and while he wasn't super productive during the playoffs he did walk

more than he struck out. The question at hand is, can he bounce back from his off year? Especially since his 2024 season, interrupted by a fractured wrist, was also a down year? Betts isn't so old that his decline is inevitable, but his major deficits the last two years have been a falloff in his speed and how hard he hits the ball. Both can be a sign of aging, but both are also a sign of injury. In the face of both explanations it's fair to discount Betts because he's unlikely to fully bounce back, but since his baseball smarts seem to be holding steady it wouldn't be crazy to expect him to bounce back some. With all his troubles the last two years he's still been productive, if not the burner he used to be. TM:LAD

PHIL HERTZ PICK: He may not return to early career levels, but expect production significantly better than he's put up the last couple of seasons. Figure he'll homer between 25-30 times.

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: Even if 2025 was merely a blip on the radar and not the indication of Something Worse, at his current ADP you're still paying for what Betts was and not what he has become: a very good hitter who no longer has the fantasy juice in home runs or steals to make him worth a pick inside the Top 50 overall.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: I've often stated that you never lose money on a player like Betts, but maybe the loss years are here. It's his age-33 season. The steals have all but evaporated. He's playing a more demanding defensive position. His OPS+ last year was merely 104, slightly above the league mean. He's also coming off his worst season in all three slash columns. Player ascension isn't always linear, but player decline almost always is. I take no joy in writing any of this, because Betts himself is a joy.

Bo Bichette

\$26

Bats: R	Age: 28								
YR/C 21:	\$31	22:\$38	23:\$35	24:\$28	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$42	22:\$26	23:\$27	24:\$1	25:\$31	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-132	3B-0	OF-0	DH-7			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TOR	571	.306	.816	69	20	73	5/3	27/115
24	TOR	311	.225	.598	29	4	31	5/1	20/64
25	TOR	582	.311	.840	78	18	94	4/3	40/91
26	NYM	607	.286	.768	78	18	83	7	

Bounced back from a miserable injury-plagued 2024, though he did miss time midseason with back and knee issues, and his season ended early in September with a sore knee that kept him out of the playoffs until the World Series. He was especially aggressive last year, cutting his K-rate to less than 15 percent and was rewarded with a career-high batting average. With the knee and injury issues he hasn't run much in recent years, which puts a dent in his fantasy value, especially because he has modest power, but if he's healthy he should be a productive presence atop a major league lineup all season long. He did not have surgery to repair his sprained knee, which is supposed to have healed by spring training, but should give bidders a little pause to see how he's handling it in the spring. Clearly the Mets, who are paying him \$47M (\$40M signing bonus, \$2M salary, \$5M if he opts out before next season,

though this is deferred Bonilla-style) this year, expect him to handle it just fine. TM:NYM

ROTOROB PICK: Thanks to being so hard to strike out, Bichette tied for second in the majors in AVG+, and while he's not going to be confused for a Gold Glover, it was great to see his pop back after a nightmarish 2024 – right on cue for him to enter his power prime.

ALEX PATTON PICK: He'll be the king of Queens batting behind Soto.

Tyler Black

Bats: L Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-2	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	387	.258	.808	12	14	67	20/3	61/87
25 AAA	253	.261	.779	40	5	39	22/4	51/74

TM:MIL

Dairon Blanco

Bats: R Age: 33 **\$2**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$9	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-5	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 KCR	124	.258	.770	19	3	18	24/5	10/33
24 KCR	120	.258	.695	37	4	13	31/7	8/32
25 AAA	257	.253	.730	49	8	26	32/3	24/64

TM:KCR

JJ Bleday

Bats: L Age: 29 **\$4**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$5	23:-\$1	24:\$13	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-87	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 OAK	256	.195	.676	35	10	27	5/1	42/72
24 OAK	572	.243	.761	74	20	60	2/3	67/125
25 AAA	119	.353	.981	23	6	23	3/1	12/25
26 ATH	307	.212	.698	48	14	39	1/2	36/91
26 CIN	297	.229	.728	41	12	37	2	

It's hard to see why the Reds would have both Bleday and Will Benson on their roster but surely they have a plan. The platoonish outfielder hit better against lefties last year, go figure, though he's been better against righties for his career. He makes a bit more contact than Benson but he is also less rangy in the field. Hitters in confusing situations and with iffy skillsets should be cheap or on someone else's team. He's got power but there's a lot that might go wrong. TM:CIN

Ryan Bliss

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-11	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	360	.269	.847	5	12	54	50/13	61/97
24 SEA	63	.222	.679	10	2	9	5/3	5/22
26 SEA	100	.217	.635	12	3	11	6	

TM:SEA

Xander Bogaerts

Bats: R Age: 34 **\$16**

YR/C 21:\$31	22:\$28	23:\$24	24:\$21	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:\$27	22:\$33	23:\$26	24:\$13	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-1253B-0	OF-0	DH-9			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SDP	596	.285	.799	83	19	58	19/2	56/110
24 SDP	428	.264	.688	50	11	44	13/3	28/79
25 SDP	491	.263	.719	63	11	53	20/2	48/94
26 SDP	548	.264	.715	70	15	62	18	

He spent a bit more than three weeks on the shelf in late-August and September

with a fractured foot, and before that he nursed a number of hamstring and shoulder sorenesses. He also set a career high in stolen bases and returned to shortstop, where he had one of his best seasons as measured by Outs Above Average. He's not the same hitter he was during his glory days with the Red Sox, which earned him an insane contract from the Padres that has eight more years to go. He's not hitting the ball as hard and he's not hitting it up in the air as much, but he did hit the ball appreciably harder last year, which is better reflected in his xBA (.277) than his real BA. Plan for some playing time missed for injuries and don't expect him to revert to the power hitter he once was and he could be a solid contributor in only leagues and an endgame guys in mixed leagues. TM:SDP

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: The Red Sox take a lot of heat for money not spent, but they were lucky when Bogaerts walked after the 2022 season. The X man hasn't even been a league-average hitter the last two years. It's a good thing he's running, because he's below code in every other column we use for scoring.

Alec Bohm

Bats: R Age: 30 **\$15**

YR/C 21:\$23	22:\$10	23:\$17	24:\$18	25:\$18	2026			
YR/E 21:\$8	22:\$24	23:\$22	24:\$22	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-13	2B-0	SS-0	3B-108	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PHI	558	.274	.774	74	20	97	4/1	42/94
24 PHI	554	.280	.779	62	15	97	5/2	40/86
25 PHI	464	.287	.741	53	11	59	2/0	29/82
26 PHI	557	.276	.739	67	15	79	4	

The knock on Bohm is that he's so muscle-bound he doesn't have the flexibility to loft the ball, so he hits it hard but it generally stays in the park because he doesn't hit many fly balls. Bohm is muscly, so maybe, but it could also be true that he is more comfortable making contact, hitting the ball hard, and not going for the fences. In either case, we know what he can do well, which is to hit lefties hard and with some power, and we know that he's much less powerful against righties and walks less against them too. Without the platoon advantage he's a much less effective and dangerous hitter. This is a precarious profile for a player with limited defensive value, but so far he's managed to hang onto his playing time. Which doesn't mean there's an immediate crash coming for Bohm, who missed a few weeks last summer with a fractured rib after a hit by pitch, but he's not going to hang onto it forever. TM:PHI

ALEX PATTON PICK: Will have a solid season as he heads into free agency.

Henry Bolte

Bats: R Age: 23

MN C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	415	.284	.812	66	9	56	44/2	57/141

Toolsy prospect who showed off his athleticism with beaucoup stolen bases last year between Double-A and Triple-A but not that many homers. He cut his strikeout rate in Double-A from 38.8 percent to 27.4 percent, which is good, but it popped up again after he reached Triple-A to 32.6 percent. He'll start this season in Triple-A and could turn into an

exciting prospect if he can figure out a way to strike out less. TM: ATH

Alex Bregman

Bats: R Age: 32 **\$23**

YR/C 21:\$30	22:\$23	23:\$25	24:\$24	25:\$23	2026			
YR/E 21:\$10	22:\$22	23:\$23	24:\$21	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-113	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	622	.262	.807	103	25	98	3/1	92/87
24 HOU	581	.260	.768	79	26	75	3/1	44/86
25 BOS	433	.273	.821	64	18	62	1/1	51/70
26 CHC	600	.262	.767	85	24	83	3	

If you adjust for the quarter of a season he missed because of a strained quad and his reduced schedule after he returned, he had a pretty typical year. Which was very good, especially since the Bosox made the playoffs, but raises a lot of thorny questions about how important he was in Boston. Signing Bregman cost the team Rafael Devers, who had a fairly typically good season. That means they paid \$40M to get rid of a better hitter and worse defender they were committed to paying \$29.7M for each of the next eight years. Maybe they hoped Devers would slide over to first, where his defense might play better, but they failed to make that happen. Okay, but they also gave Bregman two player options at \$40M more per year. He declined this year's and he became a free agent, but what if he'd suffered a worse injury or had a terrible year? It seems like a terrible signing that worked about as well as it could. Bregman, this year, should be a solid third baseman with elite plate discipline, good contact skills, and modest power. He goes from a better run environment to a worse one, but from a worse homer environment for right-handed hitters to a better one. Maybe he's a game changer because of his glove and his clubhouse skills, but those only make him more valuable in the real world. Not fantasy. TM:CHC

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Signed with Boston last year and was terrific. The Cubs signed him after his opt out and they will be just as glad as Boston was in 2025.

Josue Briceno

Bats: L Age: 22

MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	364	.266	.882	60	20	76	1/1	66/87

Patience, power, and contact skills in a young catcher have to catch your attention. He was notably young to be playing in Double-A last year and while he didn't kill in that short stint he didn't embarrass. He'll likely revisit Double-A to start this year and is unlikely to reach Motor City this year, but a good run in Triple-A could set him up for 2027. TM: DET

Jonah Bride

Bats: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:-\$6	24:\$8	25:-\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-9	2B-3	SS-0	3B-23	OF-0	DH-8		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 OAK	88	.170	.506	9	0	7	0/1	11/22
24 MIA	232	.276	.818	30	11	39	0/1	30/55
25 AAA	139	.281	.876	28	5	24	1/1	33/33
25 ---	112	.170	.436	7	0	5	0/0	11/39

Hit 11 homers on 10 barrels in 2024 but hit the ball much more softly last year and struck out a lot more, almost like he was a different

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player and was removed from the Twins 40-man roster in July. He signed a minor league deal with the Rangers. TM: TEX

Juan Brito

Bats:	B	Age:	25	\$1					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	461	.271	.827	76	14	75	7/8	78/88
24	AAA	551	.256	.812	8	21	84	13/5	88/105
25	AAA	103	.243	.789	17	4	17	4/3	16/29
26	CLE	148	.231	.668	18	4	16		2

He was in the running for a starting job in Cleveland last year but instead suffered thumb and hamstring injuries that limited him to 99 Triple-A plate appearances. He had hamstring surgery in September and is expected to be ready for spring training and will be competing with Gabriel Arias for the starting job at second base. How the lost season affects his sharpness will certainly influence that competition. If Brito wins the job he's a contact hitter with excellent plate discipline and some power. Definitely worth a bid if he wins the job in all formats. TM:CLE

Dasan Brown

Bats:	R	Age:	25						
MN	C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-OF	DH-0		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	403	.218	.628	59	7	39	26/11	41/116
24	AA	386	.246	.725	12	8	41	35/4	45/113
25	AAA	242	.174	.535	38	4	15	36/4	34/86

A lot of strikeouts in Double-A last year are a warning about future issues he's likely to have, but if he gets called up he has great speed and so may have some fantasy value as a pinch runner. Maybe. TM: MIL

Seth Brown

Bats:	L	Age:	34						
YR/C	21:	22:\$5	23:\$13	24:\$6	25:\$3				
YR/E	21:\$5	22:\$15	23:\$3	24:\$5	25:\$5				
ML	C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-21	DH-2		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	343	.222	.696	33	14	52	3/1	30/101
24	OAK	372	.231	.662	32	14	44	4/2	25/112
25	AAA	145	.352	1.113	27	13	34	0/1	15/31
25	ATH	65	.185	.564	6	1	3	1/0	9/23

Released by the Diamondbacks in August, he didn't sign elsewhere last year. TM:---

Vidal Brujan

Bats:	B	Age:	28						
YR/C	21:	22:\$5	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:\$5	23:\$5	24:\$1	25:\$2				
ML	C-0	1B-0	2B-3	SS-15	3B-17	OF-14	DH-3		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	TBR	76	.171	.435	14	0	6	3/2	5/21
24	MIA	248	.222	.621	32	2	16	5/6	25/54
25	---	87	.253	.616	14	0	8	2/1	6/21

Remember when the Rays problem was what to do Brujan when Wander Franco arrived? Brujan has improved his hitting enough to be a viable backup infielder on a split contract, with a .600+ OPS the last two years. But with no power and little speed he has no fantasy appeal. He did hit the ball harder last year and earned the better BABIP which raised his batting average into the normal range. More of that won't get him much more fantasy value but it might get him more major league playing time with the injury-prone Twins. TM:---

Kris Bryant

Bats:	R	Age:	34						
YR/C	21:\$20	22:\$24	23:\$19	24:\$10	25:\$3				
YR/E	21:\$23	22:\$5	23:\$2	24:\$3	25:				
ML	C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-10		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	COL	300	.233	.680	36	10	31	0/0	29/68
24	COL	133	.218	.623	9	2	15	0/0	13/48
26	COL	112	.225	.623	12	3	13	1	

Only three more years on his contract with the Rockies. And reports from Denver are that he's still feeling pain and discomfort from his degenerative disc disease. TM:COL

Jake Burger

Bats:	R	Age:	30	\$15					
YR/C	21:	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:\$18	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:\$1	23:\$18	24:\$18	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML	C-0	1B-91	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-11		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	---	492	.250	.835	71	34	80	1/1	32/149
24	MIA	535	.250	.760	68	29	76	1/1	31/150
25	TEX	356	.236	.687	43	16	53	1/1	12/93
26	TEX	531	.244	.727	68	27	79	2	

Traded to the Rangers by the Marlins in December 2024, he got off to a terrible start and was demoted to Triple-A briefly at the end of April. He had two IL stints, a short one with a sore oblique at the end of June and a month-long one for a strained quadriceps a short time after he returned. That was followed by another short IL stint in mid-August with wrist soreness. All in all this was not the Jake Burger the Rangers hoped to add to their lineup. This was chopped meat. The main culprit, apart from the injuries and maybe because of the injuries, were his struggles against righties, especially at home. Globe Life Park has a slightly negative park factor for righty hitters, but that doesn't explain his struggles so much as injury and small samples do. Statcast shows him with a similar approach to preceding years, except for a tick up in swings outside the zone, but his contact rate and hard hit percentage were similar. Burger had offseason surgery to repair the tendon sheath in his wrist and is expected to be ready for spring training and ready to bounce back, though his aggressive and somewhat free-swinging approach is always vulnerable to the strikeout. TM:TEX

DAVE ADLER PICK: Missed a lot of time due to injury, but when he played, the power metrics were the same as always. If he can stay on the field, expect a return to the 30-HR level.

Alec Burleson

Bats:	L	Age:	28	\$16					
YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$22	25:\$21	Bid Price			
ML	C-0	1B-50	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-74	DH-22		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	STL	315	.244	.693	34	8	36	3/1	23/45
24	STL	547	.269	.733	71	21	78	9/4	35/76
25	STL	497	.290	.799	54	18	69	5/1	39/79
26	STL	556	.272	.752	69	21	77	7	

He hit lefties a little better last year, but not enough to warrant a corner outfield/first baseman slot in the lineup on a regular basis. But what happened is a little more interesting. In fact, he didn't make a start against lefties until June, and thereafter played more regularly against them, going 30-99 (.303)

with three homers and six walks (.343 OBP). If he can sustain that this year there's a chance he'll play (he's slated for regular at bats playing first base) and produce more, but even though he won a Silver Slugger last year I'm not betting on that. TM:STL

Michael Busch

Bats:	L	Age:	28	\$17					
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$15	25:\$23	Bid Price			
ML	C-0	1B-151	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	LAD	72	.167	.551	9	2	7	1/0	8/27
24	CHC	496	.248	.775	73	21	65	2/1	63/162
25	CHC	524	.261	.866	78	34	90	4/0	56/139
26	CHC	523	.247	.776	76	26	78	4	

He has .281 ISO (isolated power) when he faces righties, that's Corbin Carroll, Junior Caminero, Byron Buxton territory, and just .161 against lefties. That's not terrible, it's akin to Yainer Diaz, Michael Harris II, and Maikel Garcia, but that's in limited at bats since he usually sits against lefties, so he mostly faces the weaker ones. Perhaps it's more telling that his OPS is like Ketel Marte's and Juan Soto's against righties, and like Matt McLain's last year versus lefties. This sort of imbalance creates roster problems in mixed leagues that have weekly transactions, and while it can be managed in deep leagues it's good to remember that limited at bats is going to cost him Runs and RBI. Last year, when he drove in a lot of runs, he hit well with runners in scoring position, but that's not going to happen every year. TM:CHC

Lawrence Butler

Bats:	L	Age:	26	\$19					
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$24	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$19	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML	C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-150	DH-0		
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	123	.211	.590	10	4	10	0/0	4/35
24	OAK	412	.262	.807	63	22	57	18/0	35/108
25	ATH	569	.234	.709	83	21	63	22/7	59/179
26	ATH	532	.244	.739	75	23	68	19	

He played through the pain and his output suffered. After the season he had patella surgery and scar tissue debridement in one knee and platelet enriched injections in the other to combat chronic tendinitis. He's expected to be healthy by springtime, but chronic disease doesn't really go away, so he may end up playing through more pain. He took more walks last year, which would be welcome, but he also struck out more, mostly making much less contact on the pitches he offered at outside the zone. Viewed through the playing through pain lens, especially because he fell off in the second half, he could bounce back this year. On the other hand, profound struggles against lefties last year (.570 OPS against) could either be an injury symptom or portend a more limited role at some point. How your league reads his chances will affect his price a lot, with cheaper as usual better. TM:ATH

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Breakout 2024 season: 22 HR in 451 PA; in 2025: 179 more PA, one fewer HR. In 2024: .262 BA; in 2025: .234. In 2024: reverse split .838 OPS vs. LHP; in 2025: reversion to regular split; and dismayingly so: .188/.228/.342 (.570 OPS).

Butler started three of ATH's last 8 games vs. LHPs. Another worry is a "chronic" knee injury, though offseason surgery was declared a success.

Byron Buxton

\$21

Bats:	R	Age:	33
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 MIN	304	.207	.743
24 MIN	355	.279	.859
25 MIN	488	.264	.878
26 MIN	504	.257	.812

Once upon a time, say 2017, we had an idea what Buxton could do if he was able to put up 500 plate appearances. In the seven years since we've had to imagine what would happen if he did it again. Now we know. Twice as many homers, nearly as many steals, and the profile of a fantasy star. This poses a problem for us this year. Do we pay him as if he'll be able to do it again? Or do we stay away because his price is going to go up on the assumption he will and let someone else take the risk and the potential reward? There's enough evidence that injuries are an important part of his profile that trying to get a discount is probably the right way to go, but chances are someone else in you league is going to be willing to take less of discount. That's okay. Where there might be reward there may also be pain. TM:MIN

JEFF WINICK PAN: First time he's exceeded 400 at bats in 5 years and bam. But don't forget that this was only the second time in TEN years that he exceeded 400 at bats. You feeling lucky? Really lucky?

Jose Caballero

\$11

Bats:	R	Age:	30
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 SEA	231	.221	.677
24 TBR	441	.227	.629
25 ---	314	.236	.682
26 NYY	277	.226	.638

He's solid against lefties but struggles against righties, though he walked in 12.1 percent of his plate appearances against them last year. He plays excellent defense all around the field, though he didn't play first base or catch last year, and he steals bases, leading the majors in swipes. That means he has fantasy value even in mixed leagues, though it's hard to roster a guy who is below average in four categories. In OBP leagues he's a better fit because of his ability to draw walks. With Anthony Volpe out to start next season Caballero might see more early at bats. Might he Pipp the home-grown golden boy, who didn't outperform him last year? Probably not, but there's a chance. TM:NYY

Oswaldo Cabrera

\$1

Bats:	B	Age:	27
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 NYY	298	.211	.577
24 NYY	299	.247	.659
25 NYY	107	.243	.628
26 NYY	259	.235	.647

He fractured his ankle in May and after surgery missed the rest of the season. He did not play winter ball, as he usually has, and worked toward recovery. He's expected back and ready for spring training and has a role on the Yankees as the utility guy. While rehabbing Cabrera asked his doctor if he'd be able to hit when he recovered. The doc said, sure you will. Cabrera smiled. That's great, doc! Because I never could before. <rimshot> Actually, he has just a bit of power and last year the Yankees in his brief time available played him almost exclusively against righties and he struggled. For his career he has a .660 OPS against righties. TM:NYY

Jac Caglianone

\$13

Bats:	L	Age:	23
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
24 A+	116	.241	.690
25 AAA	264	.337	1.025
25 KCR	210	.157	.532
26 KCR	474	.227	.675

Taken two picks after Nick Kurtz in the 2024 draft, he too was called up last year to the big club though the results could not have been more different. Called up in early June, he struggled before landing on the IL in late July with a hamstring strain. He returned in September and was more patient, walking 14.1 percent of the time, but struck out more, 25.4 percent of the time. But overall strikeouts weren't his problem. In the minors the last two years he was a line drive hitter with a ground ball tendency, but in the majors after his call up he hit a lot of ground balls not particularly hard, leading to an unimaginable .172 BABIP, the worst in baseball for a player with 170 plate appearances or more. His xBA of .241 is a better indicator of his skills right now, though he's going to have to hit more fly balls if he's going to become the power-hitter the Royals are expecting. TM:KCR

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: The underlying skills during his ML debut were actually pretty strong, but failed to translate into results. His minor league numbers suggest significant improvement is in the cards, while the upcoming changes to Kauffman Stadium's fences could drive additional HR/FB rate and home run upside.

Owen Caissie

\$4

Bats:	L	Age:	24
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
24 AAA	472	.278	.851
25 AAA	370	.286	.937
26 MIA	370	.232	.687

He spent a little time with the Cubs last summer and made 27 plate appearances, in which he hit one homer, walked once, and struck out 11 times. That's nearly a 41 percent K rate, which is an exaggerated version of this power hitter's player profile. The Marlins traded for him because they hope he can be their regular right fielder this year, after he hit 41 homers in Triple-A the last two years with a .281 batting average. His 28 percent strikeout rate in Triple-A doesn't necessarily doom him, especially because he drew so many walks, but the majors is a much different environment and it's hard to imagine him not striking out more. But with his good idea of and solid approach to the strike zone it's possible he'll figure out how to adjust and hold onto regular playing time. It's possible, but so is being a big bust. TM:MIA

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: The Cubs' #1 prospect was traded in the offseason to Miami. He mashed in just under 1,000 PA over two AAA seasons: .281/.380/.507 (.887), 16 SB. His 28% K% isn't great, but is offset somewhat by a 13% walk rate. 20/20 potential here, with BA risk.

Alex Call

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	32
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 WSN	375	.200	.616
24 WSN	99	.343	.950
25 ---	270	.267	.739
26 LAD	126	.249	.706

Signed by the Dodgers to be a backup outfielder this year, he's got little fantasy value but plays good defense and might steal a base. Seems like more of a waiver wire/reserve pick option than someone to take at the auction, but he'll have value if he stays with the champs and plays a more. TM:LAD

Tyler Callihan

Bats:	L	Age:	26
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 A+	486	.249	.716
24 AAA	261	.276	.795
26 CIN	102	.224	.651

He got into four games in late April and early May, going 1-6 with an RBI and a strikeout. He had wrist surgery in July, ending his season. He has a little power and speed and some defensive flexibility, but borderline contact rates at the higher levels. He could end up a good endgame pickup at middle infielder or fifth outfielder, but no guarantees. TM:CIN

Junior Caminero

\$31

Bats:	R	Age:	23
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 A+	460	.324	.982
24 TBR	165	.248	.724
25 TBR	602	.264	.846
26 TBR	611	.267	.817

Caminero ranks second in homers by a player 21 or younger, his 45 last year two behind Eddie Mathews 47 in 1953. This triggers one of my pet peeves: Baseball age. For some

Player Name

reason the official age for players is based on his age at midseason, also known as July 1. If Caminero had been born six days earlier he would have been classified as a 22 year old and ranked fourth on the list of most homers by a 22 year old (behind Vlad Jr., Matthews, and DiMaggio, tied with Johnny Bench). Matthews, for his part, was born in October and would also classify as a 22 year old if we established baseball age as Season Year minus Year of Birth. It simply doesn't make sense to classify players born one day apart in the middle of the season as different ages, especially since baseball is played in the middle of the year, avoiding a Dec/Jan straddle. If we used a baseball age my way DiMaggio and Bench drop down to 23 year olds and Caminero would rank third, which is good. Heck, all of it is good except for basing baseball age on July 1. As for Caminero, Statcast says he was a little lucky on the homer side, and should have hit 39.4, which is also good. About a quarter of his fly balls left the yard, partly because he hits the ball hard but also because he hit them to fortunate places. He's not a patient hitter and may get fouled up at times because of his aggressiveness, but he's also really young, which means he might grow into a better hitter as he learns the pitchers and the league and his own limitations. He may not hit 45 again this year, but there's a good chance we've yet to see the best of Junior Caminero. TM:TBR

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Power is real and his batting average looks ready to bump higher.

Kristian Campbell

\$4

Bats: R	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$8 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$1 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-59 SS-0 3B-0 OF-9 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	430 .330 1.001 11 20 77 24/8 74/103
25 AAA	271 .273 .799 46 8 38 4/0 38/84
25 BOS	229 .223 .664 24 6 21 2/1 29/72
26 BOS	129 .234 .676 16 4 14 2

After his big 2024 at three minor league levels, he ended up as the Red Sox top rookie to make the team out of camp last year playing second base. He got off to a good start, with a .902 OPS in April, though that was considered lucky, but from April 30 until he was sent back to Triple-A in mid June he had an OPS of .451 while striking out 29.2 percent of the time. Yet the problem wasn't really his offense, though of course it was, but what really did him in was that his defense was dismal. He's now been moved to left field, where bad fielders who can run go to protect their teams from their issues. And the question becomes will Campbell hit enough to be an outfield regular. Last year went so far off the rails it's hard to trust as evidence, but he did do a good job of drawing walks and made enough contact to improve that strikeout rate, but he hit an unusually large number of balls on the ground, which is a workable skill if you have elite speed. His speed is not elite, so he's going to have to make some other adjustments. In the meantime, he's going to have to win a competition for playing time if

the Red Sox need an outfielder, which at this moment they don't. TM: BOS

Gustavo Campero

Bats: B	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$3
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-26 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	362 .279 .864 23 14 50 33/7 44/69
25 AAA	150 .307 .842 21 2 19 11/1 17/23
25 LAA	58 .172 .618 9 3 8 4/1 5/14

Luis Campusano

\$2

Bats: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$4 24:\$10 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$7 24:\$3 25: Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-9
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 SDP	163 .319 .853 27 7 30 0/0 7/21
24 SDP	277 .227 .642 37 8 40 0/0 20/41
25 AAA	393 .336 1.033 83 25 95 2/0 72/82
26 SDP	291 .226 .650 34 9 36 1

Spent nearly all of last season in Triple-A but figures to be in the mix this year. He was a strong hitting prospect with power and good contact skills but a bad defensive catcher. The Padres say they're going to give him a chance this year, which will give him a chance to showcase his offense to some extent. If he struggles, as he did in 10 games when he was called up last May, the Padres will have to clear him through waivers or lose him. If he hits he could quickly see more at bats. He could be a sneaky second catcher pick for NL only. TM:SDP

Jeimer Candelario

Bats: B	Age: 33
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$16 23:\$6 24:\$9 25:\$10
YR/E 21:\$19	22:\$4 23:\$16 24:\$8 25:-\$7
ML C-0	1B-8 2B-0 SS-0 3B-12 OF-0 DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ---	505 .251 .813 77 22 70 8/1 53/127
24 CIN	427 .225 .707 47 20 56 4/3 27/114
25 AAA	290 .210 .665 38 8 44 0/1 33/95
25 CIN	80 .113 .410 3 2 10 0/1 9/29
26 ---	215 .212 .644 23 8 27 2

TM:---

Mark Canha

Bats: R	Age: 37
YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$13 23:\$8 24:\$8 25:\$2
YR/E 21:\$16	22:\$17 23:\$13 24:\$6 25:-\$4
ML C-0	1B-3 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-33 DH-7
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ---	435 .262 .767 51 11 62 11/1 49/79
24 ---	393 .242 .690 46 7 42 7/0 51/96
25 KCR	113 .212 .537 9 1 6 0/1 7/24
26 ---	164 .233 .630 19 3 16 2

He missed time in April with a hip strain and hurt his elbow in July, which cost him six weeks. When he came back the Royals DFA'd him and then released him. He's not coming off the sort of year that has teams clamoring for a man of his age. TM:---

Dominic Canzone

\$9

Bats: L	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$2 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$1 24:-\$2 25:\$10 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-70 DH-8
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ---	173 .220 .657 23 6 21 1/0 8/32
24 SEA	168 .196 .652 20 8 17 1/0 18/53
25 AAA	179 .296 .925 35 13 36 3/2 18/42
25 SEA	243 .300 .840 30 11 32 3/1 20/59
26 SEA	406 .246 .719 50 17 53 4

Injuries opened up a spot in June mostly facing right-handed pitching, though he did get licks against lefties and did okay. But his power is his calling card and it was against righties he had an SLG of .524 (ISO .216). Against lefties it was .345 (ISO .069). If he ends up the Mariners DH and sees 400 at bats against righties he might hit a lot of homers if he hits the ball as hard as he did last year. But his ground ball profile means that he might not get there, even if he hits the ball hard and for average again. TM:SEA

Yiddi Cappe

Bats: R	Age: 24
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A+	509 .220 .568 53 5 53 18/9 18/102
24 A+	263 .224 .578 1 2 19 7/6 26/74
25 AA	241 .278 .722 37 6 32 29/7 20/52

Defense first middle infielder makes contact and steals bases. At least he did in High-A and Double-A last year. He'll be tested this year at Double-A and perhaps Triple-A. He should not be a fantasy factor this year. TM: MIA

Vinny Capra

Bats: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$7 24: 25:-\$7
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-6 SS-12 3B-24 OF-0 DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	218 .289 .794 36 2 35 6/2 38/40
24 AAA	429 .261 .734 6 8 53 10/2 52/91
25 ---	96 .125 .329 10 1 6 2/0 3/25

Utility infielder has walked three times in his last 114 plate appearances, but only struck out 28, so that's not that bad. But he has only 13 hits over that time, a .114 batting average. He signed a minor league deal with the Red Sox and will be called up if needed. TM: BOS

Victor Caratini

\$4

Bats: B	Age: 33
YR/C 21:\$3	22:\$1 23:\$1 24:\$2 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:\$2	22:-\$2 23:\$2 24:\$6 25:\$8 Bid Price
ML C-49	1B-15 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-30
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIL	201 .259 .724 23 7 25 1/1 19/45
24 HOU	245 .269 .744 30 8 30 0/1 23/53
25 HOU	344 .259 .728 35 12 46 1/0 23/65
26 ---	356 .253 .695 42 12 45 2

Career bests in home runs, runs batted in, and at bats with a better than his career average batting average gave Caratini fantasy value last year. He's usually walked a fair amount, but last year got more aggressive and walked and struck out less. Depending on how things shake out he could end up as a second catcher and catch few at bats, which makes him a bottom barrel choice in only leagues. TM:---

Dylan Carlson

Bats: B	Age: 28
YR/C 21:\$18	22:\$18 23:\$9 24:\$3 25:
YR/E 21:\$19	22:-\$8 23:-\$1 24:-\$3 25:-\$3
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-81 DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 STL	219 .219 .663 27 5 27 3/0 26/49
24 ---	235 .209 .563 19 3 25 2/1 22/75
25 AAA	102 .294 .872 26 4 17 4/0 23/25
25 BAL	217 .203 .614 17 6 20 3/3 21/54
26 CHC	167 .219 .629 18 4 18 2

He kind of rebounded last year from his down 2024 season. He hit the ball harder, he made more contact, and yet he didn't improve for fantasy purposes. It's hard to believe after all

these years of struggle he's still in his 20s, but there's no way to predict this will be the year he puts it together. TM:CHC

Kerry Carpenter

Bats: L Age: 29

\$16

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$13	25:\$18	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$17	24:\$13	25:\$15	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-79
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23 DET	418	.278	.813	57	20
24 DET	264	.284	.928	37	18
25 DET	433	.252	.785	66	26
26 DET	454	.258	.788	65	25

He was a little more aggressive last year and was healthier, missing only one month with a hamstring pull, but he continued to struggle against lefties and often sat against them. The decrease in walks isn't going to help his fantasy value in OBP leagues, but his bump up in power makes him an attractive add if his extensive injury history causes his price to drop enough. There is the potential for a year without injuries and many at bats against righties for him to hit .275 with 30 homers, in other words a career year, but so far he hasn't shown that he's going to get there. TM:DET

ALEX PATTON PAN: He battles with two strikes but the battle almost never ends in ball four.

Julio Carreras

Bats: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R
23 AA	362	.238	.668	56
24 AAA	308	.237	.641	2
25 AAA	259	.255	.702	42

Weak hitting shortstop can play the position and run, plus he'll take a walk, but he hit only .280 in Albuquerque last year, which is not good at all, and he has no power. TM:COL

Cole Carrigg

Bats: B Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R
25 AA	477	.237	.709	81

He's stolen 99 bases the last two years in the minors, mostly in High-A and Double-A. He hit 32 homers, too, but his strikeout rate jumped in Double-A, which can be a temporary issue and then resolved or can be a harbinger of contact issues to come. He wasn't overly patient which offers a spark of hope he can adjust. He'll start this year in Double-A or Triple-A and would be immediately fantasy relevant if he made the bigs because of the steals that might come. TM:COL

Corbin Carroll

Bats: L Age: 26

\$34

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$23	24:\$39	25:\$37	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$23	24:\$23	25:\$31	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-139
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23 ARI	565	.285	.871	116	25
24 ARI	589	.231	.748	121	22
25 ARI	564	.259	.883	107	31
26 ARI	579	.255	.817	110	27

Apart from 15 days he missed with a bruised hand after being hit by a pitch at midseason it was pretty much a perfect season for Carroll. He was more aggressive and swung harder,

bumping up his power while maintaining his elite speed. He stepped things up in the second half, walking more and striking out less, suggesting he might have more in the tank, but aligning his skills with his production suggests that his 2025 season plus 15 more games will come to be thought of as typical for him. TM:ARI

Diego Cartaya

Bats: R Age: 25

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	354	.189	.666	51	19	57	0/0	37/117
24 AAA	344	.221	.693	6	11	52	2/0	47/113

The Dodgers DFA'd him, the Twins claimed him, traded for him, then released him. The Giants signed him to a minor league deal but he didn't hit much in 18 Single-A plate appearances. His catching skills may continue to get him chances, but he's got a long way to go. TM:---

Evan Carter

Bats: L Age: 24

\$9

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$22	25:\$9	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:-\$2	25:\$5	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-60
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23 TEX	62	.306	1.072	15	5
24 TEX	144	.188	.633	23	5
25 TEX	194	.247	.728	31	5
26 TEX	406	.236	.695	59	12

After a brilliant short debut in 2023 (1.058 OPS), which carried through the World Series (.917 OPS), the sky seemed to be the limit for Carter. Instead he's spent the last two years trying to find his footing in the big leagues while struggling to stay on the field due to injuries. Last season ended with a broken wrist after he was hit by a pitch in late August. Before that he missed time with back issues similar to those that cost him much of the 2024 season, and a quad strain in May. When he could take the field the he has hit righties a bit but struggled mightily against lefties, posting a .337 OPS against them last year, and a .275 OPS against lefties for his career. One fantasy bright spot: He ran much more last year. One perhaps injury-related dark spot: He's not hitting the ball nearly as hard as he did in 2023. Carter is still young, an excellent outfielder, and should improve if he can ever find a way to stay healthy. His wrist is expected to be healed and ready for the start of spring training. TM:TEX

PHIL HERTZ PAN: The fall of 2023 is starting to look flukier and flukier. Maybe it's injuries, but that's another reason to let someone else pay for that 2023 performance.

Triston Casas

Bats: L Age: 26

\$7

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$14	24:\$22	25:\$20	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:\$15	24:\$4	25:-\$5	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-28	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23 BOS	429	.263	.860	66	24
24 BOS	212	.241	.800	28	13
25 BOS	99	.182	.580	5	3
26 BOS	153	.232	.732	19	7

He missed close to four months in 2024 with a torn cartilage in his rib cage and nearly five months in 2025 after surgery to repair a ruptured tendon in his knee. The Red Sox made news last winter when they said Casas

might not be the team's regular first baseman this year, but if he can stay healthy and hits the way he did in 2023 and 2024 he should see regular at bats. He has a career .814 OPS versus lefties and a .796 against righties. He's not a plus on the field and is among the slowest runners in the game, so don't expect athleticism, but for a team looking for power he might be a tonic (and an off field comic) if he can stay healthy. TM:BOS

Nick Castellanos

Bats: R Age: 34

\$12

YR/C 21:	22:\$24	23:\$16	24:\$21	25:\$16	2026
YR/E 21:	\$32	\$18	\$27	\$20	\$14
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-143
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23 PHI	626	.272	.796	79	29
24 PHI	606	.254	.742	80	23
25 PHI	547	.250	.694	72	17
26 PHI	240	.252	.707	31	8

During his four years in Philadelphia he's swung at more pitches but hasn't hit the ball more often than he did during his glory years in Detroit and Cincinnati, and he's been hitting the ball much less hard. All of which is poison for a power-hitting corner outfielder. He's not so old that he can't rebound, and the problem isn't his home park, he's hit better in Philly than on the road the last four years. By the end of the season, however, the Phillies were sitting him against righties, though he was just as weak against lefties. His playing time is endangered by his poor defense, as well. He should go for cheap, which might make him a bit of a bargain in deep leagues, but in 12 and 15 team mixed he's a bench guy on the off chance he does remember what made him a strong hitter not that long ago. TM:PHI

Willi Castro

Bats: B Age: 29

\$8

YR/C 21:	\$11	\$22	\$1	23:	24:\$10	25:\$16	2026
YR/E 21:	\$7	\$22	\$9	\$15	\$24	\$16	\$5
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-48	SS-5	3B-23	OF-76	DH-0	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS
23 MIN	358	.257	.755	60	9	34	33/5
24 MIN	558	.247	.716	89	12	60	14/9
25 ---	402	.226	.678	58	11	33	10/4
26 COL	495	.239	.671	70	12	51	15

The drop off in his batting average last year was a function of a much lower BABIP, which stemmed from him hitting the ball softer and the opposite way after he was traded to the Cubs. The problem was one of less consistent use as a hitter and more use as a defensive replacement. He hit .170 with a .485 OPS after moving to Chicago. Castro's speed and bat control against lefties made him something of a surprising All Star, and he showed in Minnesota he could be a productive fantasy player (and real baseball player, too) if handled properly. In Colorado he moves to a better hitting situation but it's best to remember the ghost of Jurickson Profar, who did not thrive in Colorado a few years ago. TM:COL

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Castro's value peaked at ~\$15 in 2023-24 in MIN, where they a) let him run wild as a SB artist (24% Go Rate, 33 SB in 2023) or b) let him get counting stats by playing him a ton (635 PA, 12 HR, 14 SB, 89 Runs in 2024). Experts said Castro's value depended on where he signed, which turned

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out to be the hitters paradise, Denver. But only eight 2025 teams had even one player with a Go Rate over 24%, and Castro himself was under 10% that year. Castro's 2B/3B/OF eligibility and now-ancient 30+ bag season will push his draft price. But paying that price is buying ceiling, not floor.

Cameron Cauley

Bats: R	Age: 23			
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	435 .253 .773	74 15	51 28/7	47/121

He's speedy and athletic with defensive chops across the spectrum, he improved his patience and contact last year in Double-A and hit for more power, too, a sign of progress. He will likely start this season in Triple-A but if a spot opens he might get the call and could some fantasy value. TM:TEX

Andres Chaparro

Bats: R	Age: 27	\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:-\$5	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-30	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
24 AAA	402 .328 .981	4 23	85 3/0	49/82		
24 WSN	121 .215 .694	12 4	15 1/1	7/24		
25 AAA	197 .274 .956	32 15	48 1/0	34/55		
25 WSN	66 .182 .504	4 1	5 0/0	5/22		
26 WSN	260 .225 .662	29 9	33 2			

Has had some Triple-A success and a brief trial in the majors in 2024 that showed promise. But he started 2025 on the IL with a strained oblique and when he didn't get it going was sent to Triple-A where he once again impressed. Back in Washington later in the summer, playing mostly against lefties he struggled. That probably wasn't a fair test, but given his profile of unathletic right-handed power hitter without much defensive value he's going to have to put up or shut up soon. He should get a chance on the weak side of a platoon this year if he can stay healthy. TM:WSN

Matt Chapman

Bats: R	Age: 33	\$16				
YR/C 21:\$20	22:\$16	23:\$16	24:\$12	25:\$18	2026	
YR/E 21:\$10	22:\$15	23:\$9	24:\$23	25:\$12	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-12B	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
23 TOR	509 .240 .758	66 17	54 4/2	62/165		
24 SFG	575 .247 .790	98 27	78 15/2	64/158		
25 SFG	454 .231 .770	76 21	61 9/4	71/126		
26 SFG	584 .238 .757	90 26	80 11			

He's become a better hitter the last two years, not swinging as hard generally but making more contact and hitting with enough power to contribute. He did miss more than a month over two stints last year, one with a sprained right hand in June and July, and another 10 days with a sore right hand in August, which cost his fantasy owners. Chapman is a bit of a wild card, his value fluctuating depending on which adjustments and accommodations he's making at any given time, but his defense keeps him in the lineup if he's able and he's got enough power to do damage at any time, if not all the time. TM:SFG

Jazz Chisholm Jr.

Bats: L	Age: 28	\$26				
YR/C 21:\$3	22:\$24	23:\$29	24:\$24	25:\$32	2026	
YR/E 21:\$20	22:\$9	23:\$15	24:\$27	25:\$24	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-101	SS-0	3B-29	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
23 MIA	352 .250 .765	50 19	51 22/3	26/118		
24 ---	562 .256 .760	74 24	73 40/10	53/152		
25 NYY	462 .242 .812	75 31	80 31/8	58/148		
26 NYY	547 .245 .762	81 29	80 35			

Injuries were so much a part of his game it was hard to imagine what he might do if he stayed healthy. Well, we don't have a clear answer on that because after a somewhat healthy 2024 he spent more than a month last year with a strained oblique and missed time with a body wide range of other aches and pains that cost a day or two here or there. Chisholm's game when he's on the field is very much about enthusiastic aggression, so while he knows the strike zone and will take a walk (lots of them last year) he also attacks pitches, misses a fair amount, but hits the ball pretty hard. He also runs well and often which is how last year he became the third Yankee to post a 30-30 season (Bobby Bonds and Alfonso Soriano are the others). It is possible to underestimate Chisholm's physical abilities on auction day, while still being cautious due to his tendency to miss time to injury. TM:NYY

Jackson Chourio

Bats: R	Age: 22	\$30				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$16	25:\$33	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$27	25:\$26	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-129	DH-2
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
23 AA	531 .282 .814	88 22	91 44/9	43/104		
24 MIL	528 .275 .790	80 21	79 22/7	39/121		
25 MIL	549 .270 .770	88 21	78 21/7	30/121		
26 MIL	588 .270 .771	88 23	84 24			

He missed a month last summer with a hamstring strain and when he returned late in August he struggled. He had 13 homers in the season's first three months, and 15 steals, paces he didn't maintain even if he'd not missed so much playing time. Chourio had the opposite profile in 2024, when he finished the season strong leading to high expectations last year. With two quite similar seasons under his belt it's hard to predict that this will be the year that he puts it all together and breaks out, he doesn't hit the ball that hard and he hasn't been terribly unlucky, but even if that doesn't happen this year he's proven to be an excellent fantasy stats generator with little downside and a lot more potential in his young body. TM:MIL

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Skills support a leap in production. Don't be surprised if he's the next member of the 30-30 club.

Nathan Church

Bats: L	Age: 26			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	347 .329 .909	67 13	50 16/5	33/37
25 STL	56 .179 .496	9 1	8 1/0	3/18
26 STL	114 .228 .594	14 2	13 2	

Though he didn't do much in limited play in the majors last year, he's a bat on ball guy with decent power and speed. That sounds promising, but so far he hasn't run that much

and his first power forays came last year in Double-A and Triple-A as a 24 year old. That's not ahead of his class. If he makes the team his hit tool could give him more fantasy value than someone who can't hit, and he may find a little power and speed as he did last year. He may make the team out of camp and a buck or two on him in NL only might pay off, but he's probably a better waiver/reserve bet in deep leagues. TM:STL

Max Clark

Bats: L	Age: 21			
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	431 .271 .835	85 14	67 19/2	94/90

As a first-rounder, No. 3 overall in 2023, out of high school his ascension to and success in Double-A is impressive. Between High-A and Double-A last year he walked more than he struck out, his for okay power and stole bases with a high degree of success. His patience has done him well in the minors so far and will be tested as he advances. He makes a good amount of contact but his overall approach is passive, which doesn't always translate up in a powerful way. In any case, he's likely to spend much of this year at least in the minors and probably isn't worth a bid, but might be a good reserve pick especially if you can freeze them the next year. TM:DET

Denzel Clarke

Bats: R	Age: 26	\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-47	DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
24 AA	431 .269 .786	7 13	53 36/9	39/143		
25 AAA	107 .280 .841	26 0	21 7/1	23/30		
25 ATH	148 .230 .642	18 3	8 6/0	6/61		
26 ATH	362 .225 .644	47 10	36 13			

Tremendous power and speed potential, but until his Triple-A time last year he has shown little talent for making contact. In the majors last year he failed to draw walks, a skill he showed in the minors that helped offset his swing and miss tendencies. The last two years he's also been an extreme ground ball hitter, which may have been a compensation intended to get to more contact, but which isn't a good way to get to one's power. He's a terrific center fielder and may earn the job out of camp on that basis alone, but he's going to have to make serious adjustments to have real fantasy value. TM:ATH

Jonatan Clase

Bats: B	Age: 24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:-\$3		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-31	DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS	R HR	RBI SB/CS	BB/K		
23 A+	501 .242 .810	102 20	68 79/15	82/165		
24 ---	61 .246 .631	7 1	5 3/1	3/17		
25 AAA	310 .255 .736	41 7	21 30/4	35/90		
25 TOR	100 .210 .586	10 2	9 3/1	10/28		

Got a chance to play regularly last spring in Toronto, but didn't seize the day and was optioned out at midseason. He's got monster speed if he somehow finds a way to hit enough to play regularly in the majors, but so far so not good. TM:TOR

Kody Clemens

\$2

Bats: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$7	23:-\$2	24:-\$1	25:\$6	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-58	2B-51	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22 DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PHI	139	.230	.644	15	4	13	0/0	8/40
24 PHI	114	.219	.706	17	5	18	0/0	5/29
25 ---	348	.213	.714	46	19	52	5/1	29/93
26 MIN	210	.224	.699	28	10	30		3

He's struggled against lefties in his limited career, but given the chance to play semi-regularly after his trade to Minnesota last year he hit for some power and worked himself into the Twins future plans. Assuming he'll platoon, because he's never hit lefties, he could be a bit of a surprise, hitting for an average average with some power, given the contact gains he's shown in recent years. That might make him useful in AL only leagues but an unlikely value in mixed league. TM:MIN

Ernie Clement

\$6

Bats: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:-\$6	23:\$0	24:\$14	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-15	2B-60	SS-29	3B-89	OF-0 DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TOR	50	.380	.904	7	1	10	1/0	1/4
24 TOR	434	.263	.691	48	12	51	12/3	11/41
25 TOR	545	.277	.708	83	9	50	6/5	27/61
26 TOR	601	.268	.689	75	13	66		11

Scored a lot of runs batting in the bottom half of the order while hitting the stuffing out of lefties. Against righties he had a .622 OPS, which shouldn't get so many at bats on a World Series team but he did. In 2024 he hit righties better than lefties, so maybe that's why. He doesn't hit the ball hard, doesn't have stolen base speed, but he has generated some only-league value the last two years. Roto players didn't buy his 2024 stats and paid quarters on the dollar. A similar skepticism should apply this year, too. TM:TOR

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: He might be the Brendan Donovan of the AL, and that's aimed as a compliment.

Ryan Clifford

Bats: L Age: 23

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AA	435	.228	.798	7	19	68	4/2	95/160
25 AAA	481	.237	.826	71	29	93	7/4	85/148

A power-hitting prodigy, he hits the ball hard but does not hit it often. He's extremely patient and walked a lot in Double-A and Triple-A last year while also cutting his strikeouts from the year before. He'll start this year in Triple-A and bring his power game, if not a helpful batting average. It's hard to say how he would break into the Mets roster, but power talks. TM:NYM

Zach Cole

Bats: L Age: 26

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	358	.279	.917	63	19	65	18/7	52/146
26 HOU	333	.214	.662	45	13	43		10

He made a statement in 52 plate appearances last September, when he hit four homers and stole three bases while striking out 38.5 percent of the time. That's Cole's profile in a nutshell. He struck out 38 percent of the time in Double-A in 2024, so don't expect bat control. He'd had only 61 plate appearances

in Triple-A before moving to the majors so his major league roster slot is far from guaranteed. Especially since his xBA of .199 is not going to cut it for long. TM:HOU

Isaac Collins

\$8

Bats: B Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-0	3B-2	OF-115 DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	417	.273	.869	8	14	76	24/5	71/96
25 MIL	372	.263	.776	56	9	54	16/7	57/93
26 KCR	361	.242	.698	50	8	42		14

Kansas City plucking Collins from the Brewers for Angel Zerpa was considered a coup when it went down in December, but there are good reasons to be concerned about the former Brewer. The Royals say they see a bit of Whit Merrifield in Collins. Their former sparkplug was a late bloomer with speed and a bit of power who made three All-Star teams and who was a bright spot on a team in decline after their World Series championship in 2015. The comparison is apt because both are late bloomers, but Collins is a tremendously patient hitter who will not swing at a bad pitch and gets his walks, while Merrifield was an aggressive hitter who eschewed walks but didn't strike out much. Merrifield at 36 years old was also significantly faster than Collins was last year, and faster still when he was Collins' age. Because of all those walks Collins takes he may end up having some value, but he's not going to hit for big power (he's only 5'8, though 188 lbs) and he'll still run but he's of average speed so not that much. It wouldn't be a surprise if last year turned out to be his career year. TM:KCR

Charlie Condon

\$3

Bats: R Age: 23

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	365	.268	.820	59	14	58	2/2	52/112
26 COL	202	.233	.663	25	6	24		2

He was the No. 3 overall in 2025, a huge 6'6 power bat out of Georgia who had 237 plate appearances in Double-A last year. He's considered a high variance prospect, with a ton of homer potential limited by bat to ball skills that don't match the power. He struck out 28.3 percent of his plate appearances in Double-A last year and had a 70 percent contact rate, qualities that are going to get worse as he advances unless he ups his game. The Rockies say he's in the hunt for their first base job out of camp and if he wins it he shouldn't be ignored, but his chances of busting are much greater than his chances of breaking out. TM:COL

Michael Conforto

\$3

Bats: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:\$25	22:\$12	23:\$13	24:\$7	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:\$7	22:	23:\$8	24:\$11	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-132 DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	406	.239	.727	58	15	58	4/0	53/106
24 SFG	438	.237	.759	56	20	66	0/1	42/118
25 LAD	418	.199	.637	54	12	36	1/0	56/121
26 ---	306	.222	.684	39	11	38		1

What seemed like a good fit in LA after a comeback year in SF went sour almost

immediately and, apart from a bit of a hot streak in July, never recovered. His metrics weren't far off from year to year, not enough to explain the steep decline in homers and batting average and his xBA of .237 suggests some bad luck was involved. He hit almost all his homers for the Giants on the road and he did the same last year, but a few fewer barrels and decline in HardHit% show he wasn't hitting the ball quite as hard. If he lands a starting job note that his OPS versus lefties the last two years has been considerably better than against righties. TM:---

Griffin Conine

\$4

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-23 DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	385	.268	.830	3	19	68	0/0	47/129
24 MIA	82	.268	.777	14	3	12	0/0	6/28
25 MIA	79	.253	.732	13	2	8	0/1	7/25
26 MIA	359	.225	.672	46	12	45		2

He's got a little pop but he strikes out a lot for a guy without a lot of pop. He had shoulder surgery in late April and missed most of the rest of the season, but made it back to play in some games late in September. That indicates he's fine and will be in competition again this year for a starting role, either full time or in platoon. As much as he gets to play he should generate homers, but guys who strike out 30 percent of their plate appearances often wear the patience down of managers and general managers. TM:MIA

William Contreras

\$23

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$17	24:\$20	25:\$25	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:\$15	23:\$24	24:\$29	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-128	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1 DH-22			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIL	540	.289	.827	86	17	78	6/1	63/126
24 MIL	595	.281	.831	99	23	92	9/2	78/139
25 MIL	566	.260	.754	89	17	76	6/4	84/120
26 MIL	530	.269	.787	81	19	77		7

His disappointing season is best explained by the finger he fractured in early May, though he'd recovered enough by August to hit nine homers as the Brewers solidified themselves as the team with the best record in the majors. He's expected to be fine by the time spring training comes around, at which point he will have dropped to the second best offensive catcher around even after he rebounds. TM:MIL

Willson Contreras

\$17

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$16	23:\$20	24:\$16	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$14	23:\$15	24:\$10	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-120	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-15			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 STL	428	.264	.829	55	20	67	6/3	51/111
24 STL	301	.262	.848	48	15	36	4/1	45/96
25 STL	490	.257	.790	70	20	80	5/1	44/142
26 BOS	526	.253	.758	76	24	77		6

Those who predicted he would play more because he wasn't catching were right, but he ended up with his lowest OPS since 2021 and his season ended in early September with a shoulder strain that kept him from reaching expectations. He's expected to be healthy for spring training and there's no reason not to

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expect another season similar to last year, with a little more value if he can stay healthy. Fenway is a much better ballpark than Busch to hit in, which should help boost his fantasy value if you don't goose his price too much, though someone in your league might. TM: BOS

Billy Cook

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-3	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	418	.275	.859	11	17	74	25/6	59/116
25 AAA	331	.248	.704	45	8	46	13/2	34/102

TM: PIT

Carlos Correa

Bats:	R	Age:	32							
YR/C 21:	\$19	22:	\$20	23:	\$21	24:	\$16	25:	\$17	2026
YR/E 21:	\$25	22:	\$26	23:	\$6	24:	\$17	25:	\$15	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-97	3B-48	OF-0	DH-0				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 MIN	514	.230	.716	60	18	65	0/0	59/131		
24 MIN	319	.310	.904	55	14	54	0/0	40/61		
25 ---	537	.276	.734	63	13	52	0/0	45/113		
26 HOU	507	.272	.762	68	17	65	1			

In four of the past five years he played in Minnesota, in four of five he had about 600 plate appearances, and three of the five he had roto earnings of \$15 or more. These weren't the same years, especially because he split last year between Minnesota (underwater) and Houston (resurgent). He's got a reputation for injuries that is both real and not as devastating in his best years as it feels at the time, and so at a fairly young age he as the reputation of a star in rapid decline, when he really had a marvelous peak when young. He has since established himself as a guy who usually plays 135 games or so and will help an offense, most years. He's not the star he presented he looked like when he arrived, but he's a solid performer, especially if you can cover for his missed time. TM: HOU
JEFF WINICK PAN: The Twins just paid \$33 million to get him off of their roster. Why would you want him on yours. Very modest power that may not make it to 15 HRs and a lock to steal zero bases. No thank you.

Carlos Cortes

Bats:	L	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	267	.322	1.017	55	17	77	2/0	41/46
25 ATH	94	.309	.866	11	4	14	0/0	3/20
26 ATH	153	.245	.712	18	5	20	1	

After years in the Mets organization hitting for a little power with low batting averages, last year he moved to the Athletics and started hitting the ball harder. Maybe he just moved into the Pacific Coast League and began playing in a PCL park as a major leaguer, but hitting the ball harder with enough contact is a skill. His three-percent walk rate with the Athletics is a sign that pitchers will figure him out, but there is some chance he'll figure them out right back. Not a player to buy on draft day unless he's somehow won a bigger job than expected, but maybe good waiver material at some point this season with the potential to be a small surprise. TM: ATH

Colton Cowser

Bats:	L	Age:	26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	\$4	25:	\$17	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	\$6	25:	\$17	25:	\$3	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-90	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23 BAL	61	.115	.446	15	0	4	1/0	13/22	
24 BAL	499	.242	.768	77	24	69	9/4	52/172	
25 BAL	327	.196	.655	36	16	40	14/0	27/128	
26 BAL	483	.226	.706	68	22	65	13		

A fractured thumb kept him on the bench until early June, then he promptly collided with an outfield wall and missed three games mid-June. He also missed a week in August with a concussion. When he wasn't sidelined he disappointed, maybe because his collision with the wall resulted in fractured ribs rather than the bruised ones the Orioles talked about at the time. But it's hard to ascribe his struggles to the injuries simply because for the most part his component measures were similar to his 2024 performance when he played, and his biggest struggle was swinging at fewer balls in the zone and missing on more of them, showing a vulnerability to offspeed pitches of all sorts. He has plenty of power potential, but the risk that comes with a declining batting average and escalating strikeout rate is real. He's still young enough to potentially figure out a better way, and that may more readily come when he's not as battered as he was last year, but for the time being expectations of some sort of breakout should be kept in check. TM: BAL

J.P. Crawford

Bats:	L	Age:	31							
YR/C 21:	\$9	22:	\$11	23:	\$7	24:	\$13	25:	\$7	2026
YR/E 21:	\$21	22:	\$10	23:	\$18	24:	\$1	25:	\$16	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-157	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 SEA	534	.266	.819	94	19	65	2/0	94/125		
24 SEA	392	.202	.625	55	9	37	5/0	52/102		
25 SEA	570	.265	.719	69	12	58	8/1	74/122		
26 SEA	551	.241	.681	71	12	57	6			

Blame his 2024 struggles on the injuries, he bounced back last year but did not recapture the surprising power he showed in 2023. Consider his 2025 production to be typically Crawford, more valuable in leagues that use on-base percentage because of his patience at the plate. TM: SEA

Justin Crawford

Bats:	L	Age:	22					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	440	.334	.859	88	7	47	46/11	58/91
26 PHI	391	.260	.665	50	5	40	24	

A first rounder in 2022, No. 17 overall, he's taken an aggressive approach while coming up, putting the ball in play and letting his feet put pressure on the defense. That's an approach that worked last year for Chase Meidroth, who didn't hit the ball quite as hard as Crawford and isn't nearly as fast. It was also the approach of former Philly (along with many other teams) Juan Pierre, who probably was as fast as Crawford but who also made a lot more contact. It's the contact that is going to be a challenge for Crawford, who is expected to make the team out of camp after a full season in Triple-A. His success isn't

guaranteed, major league pitchers might find a hole to exploit, but a slap hitter with lots of speed who hits the ball pretty hard could also be a nice find. TM: PHI

Dylan Crews

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$19	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	\$0	25:	\$4	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-83	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A	137	.292	.857	26	5	29	4/6	14/38
24 WSN	119	.218	.641	12	3	8	12/3	11/26
25 WSN	293	.208	.631	43	10	27	17/5	24/76
26 WSN	538	.233	.669	70	18	61	27	

He landed on the 60-day IL in mid-May with an oblique strain which bifurcated his rookie season. Before the injury he struggled, with a .643 OPS, seven homers and 11 stolen bases. After he came back he had a .632 OPS, with three homers and six stolen bases. That's not progress, but the real test will come this year. As a prospect he was considered to have plus power but as a rookie he hit many ground balls not all that hard. He didn't strikeout too much but he also didn't crush the ball. His xBA of .237 better represents his performance last year than his actual average, but that does not come close to the Nationals expectations for the 2023 No. 2 overall draft pick out of LSU. It's way too early to declare Crews a bust and his speed should make him a fantasy contributor even if he doesn't realize his power potential, still it's hard to see him adding more power without sacrificing his contact skills, a tradeoff that could make this year's batting average look normal. TM: WSN
PHIL HERTZ PICK: Despite the oblique injury and bad BABIP luck (24%), he still hit 10 homers and stole 17 bases. That's the floor. A little bit of luck and you have a solid fantasy outfielder.

Blaine Crim

Bats:	R	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$2	Bid Price		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	427	.281	.864	67	21	85	4/3	56/90
25 ---	65	.200	.732	10	5	12	0/0	6/28
26 COL	177	.241	.711	23	7	24	2	

A 19th rounder in 2019, No. 565 overall, he made his big-league debut last year with the Rangers in May but was sent to the minors after five games. He was waived at the trade deadline and signed by the Rockies, where he played mostly first base from mid-September on. He notably slugged five homers in 61 plate appearances and also notably struck out 36.1 percent of the time. He looks to be the weak side of a platoon at first base and notably struck out only 20 percent of his appearances against lefties, though that's a small sample. Expectations will not be high for this late bloomer, but he has enough bat speed to be interesting, especially a mile high. TM: COL

Jake Cronenworth

Bats:	L	Age:	32							
YR/C 21:	\$13	22:	\$18	23:	\$15	24:	\$11	25:	\$11	2026
YR/E 21:	\$22	22:	\$16	23:	\$4	24:	\$14	25:	\$9	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-13	2B-118	SS-13	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 SDP	458	.229	.698	54	10	48	6/1	46/97		
24 SDP	577	.241	.712	72	17	83	5/2	61/118		
25 SDP	419	.246	.740	61	11	59	3/3	69/107		
26 SDP	541	.238	.695	72	15	69	5			

Loses his multiposition eligibility in most leagues, which is a drag, but takes a leap in on-base leagues by walking 13.4 percent of the time. But takes a hit by having the lowest ISO of his career and he made less contact, too. He missed nearly a month early in the season with ribs fractured on a hit by pitch, which may have influenced his approach once he was reinstated from the IL. Still, there isn't a lot of upside in his game when he's showing minor power and speed performance. TM:SDP

Jimmy Crooks

Bats: L	Age: 25
MN C-C	1B- 2B- SS- 3B- OF- DH-
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	390 .274 .778 61 14 79 0/0 36/114

He's a glove-first catcher and he unsurprisingly didn't hit much in his brief ML exposure last year, but he's still young, brings strong defense, and clearly knows the strike zone. He's not going to be an impact backstop for fantasy this year, but he might be okay. And he might get better. TM:STL

Gavin Cross

Bats: L	Age: 25
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AA	383 .261 .779 4 15 59 30/2 45/105
25 AA	465 .241 .703 75 17 64 23/5 33/134

His aggressive low-contact approach in his second pass at Double-A has to be a warning that it might not translate to Triple-A, much less the majors. Still, if he does get a shot he could be a short term source of some homers and steals. Just don't expect a hot start to endure. TM:KCR

Pete Crow-Armstrong

\$26

Bats: L	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$3 25:\$18 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$12 25:\$29 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-156 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AA	438 .283 .881 98 20 82 37/10 46/129
24 CHC	372 .237 .665 46 10 47 27/3 21/98
25 CHC	591 .247 .765 91 31 95 35/8 29/155
26 CHC	586 .246 .726 86 25 83 37

A standout breakout season with 30-30 and 90-90, what's not to like? Well, the low-ish batting average and the hurtful on-base percentage come to mind first. He's making a lot of outs when he isn't shining at the bat and in the field. There are also his struggles against lefties, against whom he had a wimpy .594 OPS last year after a .597 OPS in 2024, and a second-half fade against all comers with a .634 OPS after a .847 OPS in the first half. What are the chances that carries over to this year? Against lefties he's going to have to fish pretty soon or face consequences. Cut bait? He's a great outfielder, one of the best in the game, which gives him cover, but production at the level of a weak-hitting catcher against lefties is problematic. Against righties he's shown he has other tools. His late-season slump last year looks like a transitory thing, but hitters who are aggressive, don't take walks, and swing and miss are more likely to struggle for lengthy periods. He's young enough that he might make meaningful adjustments this year, but he's also young enough that those

adjustments might not take and could screw him up, at least for a time. Given his speed and defense, he's going to get plenty of chances and will likely generate fantasy value, but he's probably equally likely to be a little bust this year as he is to take another step up. TM:CHC
MIKE GIANELLA PAN: PCA was terribly exposed in the second half and given that concerns about his bat-to-ball skills were a neon flashing sign in his prospect days I'm worried that the re-adjustment isn't going to be quick or automatic. The defense will keep him in the lineup, and the steals will prevent a complete crash and burn but a collapse in home runs and move to the bottom third of the lineup would be a value killer, and both these outcomes are within the realm of possibility.

Oneil Cruz

\$19

Bats: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22:\$16 23:\$26 24:\$24 25:\$27 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$10 23: 24:\$23 25:\$12 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-125 DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 PIT	541 .259 .773 72 21 76 22/1 51/181
25 PIT	471 .200 .676 62 20 61 38/5 64/174
26 PIT	475 .236 .741 69 21 66 27

When he hits the ball he hits it hard. He had the hardest hit ball last year and the highest average exit velocity among qualified hitters. Yet he also had the third lowest contact rate, which is the sort of thing that leads to striking out more than 30 percent of the time. Oddly, the qualified hitter with the lowest contact rate last year led his league in hitting, but also had the lowest strikeout rate of his career and a BABIP of .376 and had a 56-56 when he went yard. That will goose your batting average! In other words, Cruz, who went 20-20 on his homers, is no Aaron Judge. But given how hard he hits the ball his low BABIP last year feels somewhat unlucky. When he first came up it seemed he would grow out of a profile that doomed him to mediocrity, but after the last two years that can no longer be said confidently. TM:PIT

ROTOROB PAN: Loses shortstop eligibility this year, making it even harder to absorb the worst AVG+ in the majors (not to mention injury issues) onto your team. The speed works, but 20-homer outfielders aren't hard to find.

Kaelen Culepepper

Bats: R	Age: 24
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AA	454 .289 .844 77 20 64 25/4 50/90

He added three MPH of bat speed at the pro level, and his game improved. Since he split the year between High-A and Double-A the 2024 first rounder (21st overall) could start the season in Double-A or Triple-A. The Twins are having him play second and third as well as short, which if it works out could give him different paths to the majors. Probably not this year, but the team says if he performs he will be promoted, so maybe. TM:MIN

Travis d'Arnaud

Bats: R	Age: 37
YR/C 21:	\$15 22:\$9 23:\$13 24:\$3 25:\$4
YR/E 21:	-\$1 22:\$15 23:\$1 24:\$7 25:-\$4
ML C-58	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ATL	267 .225 .688 31 11 39 0/0 21/67
24 ATL	307 .238 .739 40 15 48 1/0 24/89
25 LAA	213 .197 .598 16 6 21 0/0 13/74
26 LAA	216 .221 .653 24 8 28 1

Coming off a terrible year that looks like age related decline and ended with him out for the rest of the season on the concussion list, it's hard to imagine him returning to a productive role. TM:LAA

Henry Davis

\$3

Bats: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$10 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$1 25:-\$6 Bid Price
ML C-83	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 PIT	225 .213 .657 27 7 24 3/5 25/69
24 PIT	104 .144 .449 9 1 5 0/0 13/45
25 PIT	252 .167 .507 25 7 22 2/1 18/76
26 PIT	227 .203 .598 26 7 24 3

He's a good athlete with a strong arm behind the plate and he swings the bat fairly hard, but so far his strikezone judgement and contact skills have been awful. This isn't necessarily his destiny. Catchers develop at different rates than other players and Davis has worked to establish his defensive bona fides in recent years. Whether or not he can touch the ball enough with the bat to take advantage of his strong power potential we're still waiting to see. That potential is reason enough to give him another chance this year over some potentially less damaging catchers with less upside. TM:PIT

Bryan De La Cruz

Bats: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22:\$4 23:\$9 24:\$12 25:\$3 2026
YR/E 21:	-\$4 22:\$9 23:\$15 24:\$11 25: Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-14 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIA	579 .257 .723 60 19 78 4/1 40/142
24 ---	584 .233 .654 61 21 68 5/2 29/170
25 AAA	369 .263 .762 47 15 49 8/1 35/103

Spent most of 2025 in Triple-A and has signed a minor-league deal with the Phillies. TM:PHI

Elly De La Cruz

\$34

Bats: B	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$5 24:\$26 25:\$40 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$14 24:\$37 25:\$31 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-1583B-0 OF-0 DH-4
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 CIN	388 .235 .712 67 13 44 35/8 35/144
24 CIN	618 .259 .809 105 25 76 67/16 69/218
25 CIN	629 .264 .777 102 22 86 37/8 67/181
26 CIN	600 .261 .785 98 24 81 46

His BsR rating at FanGraphs, which measures the value of his baserunning, increased last year, which was good for the Reds, while he stole nearly half as many bases, which was bad for his fantasy owners. Cruz said the change was an effort to steal more efficiently and to get his stolen base success rate above 90 percent. He failed at that but did improve by a couple of percentage points. Cruz is a patient hitter and will draw walks but he also swings and misses a fair amount. He's also a ground ball hitter, which limits his homer potential, though he hits the ball hard enough

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he's going to get some that go yard. He's still young enough that another step forward would not be a surprise, but assuming that's coming this year as he tries to improve his defense at shortstop might be a mistake. He's still an exciting player to watch but his growing pains mean he may not end up being the fantasy monster he first appeared to be. TM:CIN

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Had a leg problem most of the year and it caused a power outage. He will be 100% going into 2026 and I expect a lot better season from him at the plate as a result.

Deyvison De Los Santos

Bats: R		Age: 23							
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	538	.294	.919	8	40	120	1/1	34/144
25	AAA	412	.240	.672	57	12	54	16/6	39/103
26	MIA	111	.243	.674	12	4	14		1

The massive power he showed across two levels and two franchises in 2024 evaporated, maybe due to an early season quad injury, though he ran more last year than ever before. But he is also a groundball hitter, which limits his "light tower" power. The Marlins last year also worked with him to make better swing decisions and he did swing less and improved his contact skills. He's also shown at least some of his power in the Dominican Winter League. He'll be competing for a major league job against a motley crew of middlin' hitters, if he can take the moment, but his defensive limitations will likely limit his chances this year. TM:MIA

Josue De Paula

Bats: L		Age: 21							
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AA	360	.250	.791	65	12	44	32/8	82/91

He touched Double-A last September and went 0-19, but his good power and speed are expected to do just fine there this year. He's a solid prospect who may see the majors in 2027. TM:LAD

Leo De Vries

Bats: B		Age: 20							
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AA	455	.255	.805	72	15	74	11/8	66/107

He was the Athletics prize for trading Mason Miller last year, and playing in Double-A as a 19 year old he looked like a future power-hitting star. He so far doesn't look like a future shortstop, so it may take a year or two for him to settle into a position. He'll likely start the year in Double-A but will quickly move to Triple-A if he continues to make good contact with power. After that it's just one more step, when he finds a position. TM:ATH

Paul DeJong

Bats: R		Age: 33							
YR/C	21:\$15	22:\$7	23:	24:	25:\$4				
YR/E	21:\$4	22:-\$6	23:\$0	24:\$10	25:\$0				
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-13	SS-10	3B-33	OF-0	DH-3			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	---	372	.207	.617	41	14	38	4/4	21/121
24	---	445	.227	.703	54	24	56	2/2	23/156
25	WSN	193	.228	.642	18	6	23	4/0	11/70
26	NYN	122	.219	.648	14	5	15		1

He's got a versatile and effective glove, which is surely why the Yankees have invited him to spring training, and he thumped the ball in 22 HITTERS

2024 playing for the White Sox and Royals. He didn't thump it last year after getting hit in the face with a pitch that cracked his nose and orbital bone in mid April. He did hit five homers in limited play in August, but he makes a lot of outs, walking little, and striking out a lot. TM:NYN

Adrian Del Castillo

Bats: L		Age: 27							
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-5	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-28			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	413	.312	1.004	5	26	75	0/0	55/80
24	ARI	80	.313	.893	12	4	19	1/1	7/28
25	AAA	107	.299	1.020	27	7	27	0/0	20/36
25	ARI	120	.242	.682	9	4	17	0/0	8/47
26	ARI	275	.236	.691	32	10	38		2

He hit enough in his brief time with Arizona in 2024 that his 32 percent strikeout rate at the major league level could be ignored. It was a small sample! The four homers were a harbinger of a major league breakout last season, some said. But it was a small sample! That breakout didn't happen as he missed much of the first half of 2025 in Triple-A with back and shoulder injuries, and was promoted to the big leagues at the All-Star break. He struggled at first but in August he showed some power and in September some more, but he didn't catch enough to qualify there, and struck out more and more, ending up at 35.9 percent for the year. He could win the DH job this year against righties but this DH-only's strikeouts are a problem. TM:ARI

Chase DeLauter

Bats: L		Age: 25							
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	214	.355	.958	35	5	39	6/3	23/30
24	AAA	142	.261	.860	0	8	24	1/1	19/22
25	AAA	148	.264	.852	28	7	24	1/0	28/28
26	CLE	358	.252	.714	53	12	47	2/2	37/70

He made his major league debut in the playoffs last year, with seven plate appearances, one single, one walk, and one strikeout. He's considered a top hitting prospect because he walks a lot and strikes out not that much at all, but he's been on so many minor league injury lists maybe his last name should be spelled dLauter. His high mark for games played in a season was 57 back in 2023, after being drafted the year before in the first round, No. 16 overall. He's a big fella, not especially speedy, and despite his patience and contact skills he hasn't shown he can put up a big batting average at the upper levels. Couple that with his injury history and the Guardians plan to play him in center field and it seems like the price has to get pretty low before he becomes an attractive pick up this year, though scouts say he's going to be worth it eventually. Some skepticism may prove wise. TM:CLE

Jonny Deluca

Bats: R		Age: 28		\$3					
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$0	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-19	DH-1			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AA	279	.294	.962	56	17	53	12/1	35/55
24	TBR	332	.217	.608	29	6	31	16/6	24/77
25	TBR	57	.333	.812	5	0	4	6/0	2/13
26	TBR	262	.233	.652	30	6	28		11

He missed most of last season with a shoulder sprain, a hamstring pull, and a quad strain, but is supposed to be ready come spring training. His situation is complicated by the signing of Cedric Mullins but Deluca can platoon with Chandler Simpson in left field and stay in the lineup because of his solid defense. His hitting? Not so much. He's an aggressive swinger who goes after a lot of balls out of the zone. He should be a fantasy contributor of stolen bases sitting at the end of the bench. TM:TBR

Rafael Devers

Bats: L		Age: 30		\$24					
YR/C	21:\$29	22:\$33	23:\$32	24:\$31	25:\$29	2026			
YR/E	21:\$30	22:\$32	23:\$27	24:\$25	25:\$24	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-29	2B-0	SS-0	3B-1	OF-0	DH-133			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	BOS	580	.271	.855	90	33	100	5/1	62/126
24	BOS	525	.272	.871	87	28	83	3/0	67/147
25	---	607	.252	.851	99	35	109	1/1	112/192
26	SF	587	.256	.826	93	32	96		2

He's become more selective at the plate and he's walking more, but he's also striking out more with little gain in power. Maybe this is his way to get to his power on certain counts or maybe it's his attempt to get on base more. In either case, after last year's tumult in Boston and dreadful slump to start the season, he landed with the Giants and, um, didn't hit as much. While his batting average is alarming, his OPS+ of 130, which adjusts for home ballpark, shows he wasn't messed up at Oracle Park, which is a bad park for lefthanded power hitters. His .825 OPS at Oracle wasn't terrible, but pales compared to the .950 he had at Fenway in 2024. For that reason alone, take a few bucks off your Devers expectations. TM:SF

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Went through a lot of turmoil in Boston before he was finally traded to San Francisco. What he did was be available for every lineup and hit and hit some more. I expect his price to dip some because everyone remembers the turmoil. But I think he is going to have a big year.

Zach Dezenzo

Bats: R		Age: 26							
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:-\$1				
ML C-0	1B-4	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-26	DH-5			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	197	.299	.882	2	7	31	5/3	26/51
24	HOU	62	.242	.648	5	2	8	0/0	3/22
25	HOU	98	.245	.688	17	2	10	1/0	11/37

He's been a strikeout machine in his visits to the majors the last two years and without compensating power, his main attribute. He doesn't seem to have a spot on the opening day roster and is better viewed as a waiver wire hail Mary than a draft pickup. TM:HOU

Elias Diaz

Bats: R Age: 36

YR/C 21:\$3	22:\$10	23:\$7	24:\$6	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:\$8	22:\$3	23:\$13	24:\$6	25:\$-1				
ML C-1051B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 COL	486	.267	.733	48	14	72	1/0	34/118
24 ---	325	.265	.695	27	6	39	0/0	20/69
25 SDP	255	.204	.602	34	9	29	0/0	21/74
26 ---	163	.228	.632	17	4	19		0

Has catching skills that might catch on, but his offensive value for fantasy relies on volume and putting the ball in play and he was worse both ways last year. TM:---

Yainer Diaz

Bats: R Age: 28 **\$20**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$18	25:\$23	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$16	24:\$26	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-1131B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-25			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	355	.282	.862	51	23	60	0/0	11/74
24 HOU	585	.299	.766	70	16	84	2/0	24/107
25 HOU	542	.256	.701	56	20	70	1/1	20/95
26 HOU	480	.274	.739	57	18	67		2

What felt like a triumph in 2024 seemed to be a fail last year, but apart from his batting average and a dip in his hard hit rate he mostly held his own. Some of the batting average slippage can be explained by the fact he hit more fly balls and fewer line drives, while the rest of it looks like bad BABIP luck. He expands the zone too much to rely on, he swings more at pitches out of the zone than almost anyone, but his aggressiveness does lead to plenty of contact. His productivity was likely down because his team context was down in a lineup without Yordan Alvarez most of the season. Look for a better year this year, and maybe even something of a breakout if he's able to make a few small adjustments. TM:HOU

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Diaz is a catcher that I thought would have a big 2025--but he didn't. He still has all the skills to do it, though, and 2024 and a 81% CT rate with a 102 PX gives me reason for optimism and I will take the difference between 2024 and 2025 for a profit.

Yandy Diaz

Bats: R Age: 35 **\$20**

YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$9	23:\$13	24:\$20	25:\$18	2026			
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$22	23:\$33	24:\$18	25:\$30	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-37	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-114		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TBR	525	.330	.935	95	22	78	0/1	65/94
24 TBR	563	.281	.755	55	14	65	0/0	50/95
25 TBR	583	.300	.848	79	25	83	3/1	57/92
26 TBR	581	.290	.803	77	21	79		2

Hitting the ball harder means committing earlier and so Diaz sacrificed some strikezone control when he added to the power side of his profile a few years ago. This is a max effort practice, which is probably why he slipped back a bit in 2024, but he demonstrated last year that the skills are still there. Traditionally, hitters add homer power as they move into their 30s because they get slower, have to commit earlier, and might as well go all out if they're not going to touch the ball as much. But while Diaz has walked less since the change, he hasn't struck out more. He's making a choice. Your choice is to believe you're going to get last year's model or the 2024 edition. I'm leaning 2024. TM:TBR

Dillon Dingler

Bats: R Age: 28 **\$15**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-1181B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A	324	.256	.843	58	16	58	6/1	42/105
24 DET	84	.167	.505	2	1	11	0/0	3/30
25 DET	435	.278	.752	54	13	57	0/0	23/110
26 DET	399	.245	.681	45	12	50		2

He started the season in a time-share with Jake Rogers, but when Rogers went down with an oblique strain Dingler stepped up. When he hit the ball he squared it up pretty good, hitting lots of liners and a share of fly balls that turned into homers. His aggressiveness and a fair amount of swing and miss are concerning, as is his weakness against righties, but his xBA last year was higher than his actual in part, at least, because of all those liners. Expect some of those to turn into fly balls he hits hard enough to leave the yard, and others to turn into whiffs going forward, but expectations that his hit tool is deficient may have to be revised. He's improved his contact the last two years in both Triple-A and the majors, changing his profile in the process. TM:DET

Jasson Dominguez

Bats: B Age: 23 **\$19**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-100	DH-15		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	456	.265	.810	89	15	76	40/8	83/133
24 NYY	56	.179	.617	8	2	4	5/0	11/19
25 NYY	381	.257	.719	58	10	47	23/5	41/115
26 NYY	472	.244	.717	67	17	58		24

The reason Dominguez sat against lefties last year is because he struggles against them, posting a .569 OPS with a .290 SLG in 2025. In 2024's very small sample both numbers were much worse. The Yankees say they're going to play him regularly this year, which might add to his counting stats but which also might tank his batting average and on base percentage. He is a patient hitter against lefties and righties, but 10 percent walks on top of a .186 batting average is not a positive. So far he's been a hard swinging youngster who hits the ball too often on the ground when he does make contact. He's young and the Yankees will surely try to help him adjust, which could lead to a breakout year or a breakdown one. Actually, the risk of disaster seems slight as long as he's healthy, but that's not a guarantee that he's going to bump up his game this year. Cautious optimism is probably the best mode. TM:NYY

TIM MCLEOD PAN: It's hard to be an everyday player when you post a line of .204/.279/.290 against southpaws.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: I get it, Dominguez's 2025 wasn't everything you hoped for but The Martian more than held his own as a 22-year-old rookie and now he's cheaper? Maybe I'm missing something, but this feels like a gimme at this ADP, particularly since the logjam that limited his playing time in the second half is gone and he'll get another clean shot at playing time. A 15/30/.250 season feels like the floor.

MIKE PODHORIZER PICK: Clearly owns significantly more power than his output suggests and he's already got the stolen base contributions. Post-hype breakout is written all over him.

Brendan Donovan

Bats: L Age: 29 **\$14**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$10	25:\$15	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$14	23:\$11	24:\$20	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-100	SS-6	3B-0	OF-18	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 STL	327	.284	.789	48	11	34	5/1	33/53
24 STL	587	.278	.759	65	14	73	5/5	47/81
25 STL	460	.287	.773	64	10	50	3/3	42/67
26 STL	517	.277	.741	68	13	60		5

When he's been able to play he's been remarkably consistent the last three years. You can look at his modest stats and see a somewhat patient contact hitter with modest power and speed, an on-base asset competent at both second base and the corner outfield. He struggled in the second half last year with a sports hernia and spent time on the IL before eventually having surgery in October. He's expected to be healthy for spring training. TM:STL

Brenton Doyle

Bats: R Age: 28 **\$15**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$26	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-131	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 COL	399	.203	.599	48	10	48	22/5	22/151
24 COL	542	.260	.762	82	23	72	30/5	46/153
25 COL	502	.235	.654	57	15	57	18/2	30/138
26 COL	545	.246	.704	72	20	68		23

Not considered much of a prospect because of a suspect hit tool, he's shown decisively he can hit in Colorado, with a career .788 OPS at home. On the road however, where breaking balls move more, he's got a .569 OPS. He doesn't walk much, even at home his career OBP is .318, and strikes out at a pretty good clip, but he's been making more contact the last two years, has a little pop and good speed, which helps his excellent defense in center field. Last year's batting average drop off was more the result of bad BABIP luck than anything else, especially compared to his somewhat good BABIP luck in 2024. But it's of concern that he hit more grounders last year, the best explanation for his power decline. He did miss time early with a quad strain and for personal reasons, the quad strain might explain the drop off in stolen base attempts, and he sat for a few days in August with shoulder soreness, after which he only hit one homer. It's possible to imagine him matching his 2024 production with a healthy season, but his profile has enough caveats that a more modest bet is suggested. TM:COL

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Bad first half, both personally and on the field, but second half wasn't far off his 2024 production when he returned \$20 in value.

Player Name

Mauricio Dubon

\$3

Bats:	R	Age:	32						
YR/C	21:\$10	22:	23:\$1	24:\$2	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E	21:\$0	22:-\$1	23:\$15	24:\$9	25:\$4	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-4	2B-46	SS-33	3B-24	OF-63	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	HOU	.467	.278	.726	76	10	46	7/2	19/70
24	HOU	.402	.269	.655	45	4	47	3/2	16/55
25	HOU	.369	.241	.641	43	7	33	3/0	24/42
26	ATL	.332	.254	.648	38	5	35		3

In Houston he developed into a consummate utility man, combining good and versatile fielding with an attacking approach at the plate to put the ball in play and make things happen. Not much power or speed but lots of contact. In Atlanta he'll platoon and see lots of lefties, and be available to fill in white Ha-Seong Kim is on the IL, though his struggles against righties might mean he'll be worth less by playing more. TM:ATL

Blake Dunn

Bats:	R	Age:	28						
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-29	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	.359	.240	.693	8	7	34	21/2	45/113
25	AAA	.354	.291	.794	59	7	40	24/3	54/102
25	CIN	.60	.150	.553	10	1	7	1/1	8/25

TM:CIN

Alfredo Duno

Bats:	R	Age:	20						
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	A	.390	.287	.948	78	18	81	6/6	95/91

Repeated in Single-A last year and jumped his walk rate to 19.2 percent, cut his strikeouts to 18.4 percent, hit 15 more homers, and lost .038 BABIP points while growing his batting average by 20 points. He has massive power and a big question mark on the hit tool. He's probably a prospect for 2028, but he has good catching chops and if he gets hot in Double-A this year he could advance quickly. TM:CIN

Ezequiel Duran

Bats:	R	Age:	27						
YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$6	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:\$1	23:\$14	24:\$1	25:-\$1				
ML C-0	1B-25	2B-17	SS-30	3B-11	OF-11	DH-4			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TEX	.406	.276	.771	55	14	46	8/4	23/120
24	TEX	.268	.246	.609	26	3	20	1/2	14/63
25	TEX	.205	.224	.558	16	0	14	11/2	8/55
26	TEX	.279	.235	.615	30	5	27		8

In 2023 he had elite exit velocities and, yeah, he struck out a lot and didn't take walks but when he hit the ball he drove it. Now, he still strikes out a lot and doesn't walk too much and when he hits the ball he hits it weakly, like he's afraid to dent it. This was part of an organizational shift away from power hitting toward contact hitting, a shift that led the team to hire Skip Schumaker for this season. It's hard to say that Duran was a good major league hitter in 2023, but he was a good fantasy player, and these changes seem to be wrecking the latter without improving the former. At least he's a good defender who has filled in everywhere but catcher. And if by chance he's going to get regular at bats, even for a time, his speed could lead to fantasy friendly steals. TM:TEX

Jarren Duran

\$26

Bats:	L	Age:	30						
YR/C	21:	22:\$2	23:\$1	24:\$18	25:\$33	2026			
YR/E	21:-\$3	22:\$0	23:\$17	24:\$36	25:\$23	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-156	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	BOS	.332	.295	.833	46	8	40	24/2	24/90
24	BOS	.671	.285	.833	111	21	75	34/7	54/160
25	BOS	.620	.256	.774	86	16	84	24/6	60/169
26	BOS	.541	.268	.779	83	16	68		24

Qualifies as a late bloomer having not topped 500 plate appearances until he was 28. Late bloomers often, not always, have short periods of top production before they decline. Duran fell off a little last year, making less contact overall and on balls in the zone. A lot of his problems came against lefties, against whom he had a .600 OPS. He had a similar platoon split in 2024 though he was better then against both lefties and righties. Those platoon struggles led to fewer leadoff at bats and fewer stolen base attempts, a situation that is unlikely to change this year. As for his power, he ranked seventh to last last season in homers per Barrel, which probably reflects some bad luck, as does his nine percent HR/FB rate. So, look for a tick up in homers, more of the same in steals, and hope he figures out how to make up for the contact skills he's lost, at least, because he's in danger of losing time to a platoon. TM:BOS

Caleb Durbin

\$10

Bats:	R	Age:	26						
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	MIL	.445	.256	.719	60	11	53	18/6	30/50
26	MIL	.541	.250	.665	69	12	63		23

Notable for a minor league career in which he pretty consistently walked more than he struck out, he took a more aggressive approach in the majors after his mid-April promotion and made plenty of contact while rarely striking out. Both he and teammate Sal Frelick are Top 6 when it comes to the percentage of softly hit balls, while Durbin hits the hard enough to rise to 16th for lowest percentage of hard hit balls. Those came at the right time, however, for 11 of his 16 barrels went over the fence. Durbin's rookie season was successful enough to make him a Rookie of the Year finalist and he is a likely regular this year again, but as a bottom of the order hitter with average if versatile defensive skills he'll always be at risk of losing playing time. He did sit from time to time last year against righties. He's coming off October 2025 arthroscopic elbow surgery but he's expected to be ready for spring training. He might advance this season, his bat to ball skills are impressive, but unless he adds power he's not an important enough force in the lineup to trust earning everyday at bats, diminishing his fantasy value. TM:MIL

Nate Eaton

Bats:	R	Age:	30						
YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$2	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:\$1	23:-\$8	24:	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-12	OF-25	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	KCR	.53	.075	.200	2	0	1	3/0	2/21
24	AAA	.428	.252	.742	2	16	60	27/4	27/108
25	AAA	.348	.290	.855	64	12	55	15/6	37/88
25	BOS	.81	.296	.727	16	1	4	9/2	6/19
26	BOS	.115	.238	.641	15	2	11		6

Defensive flexibility might earn him a roster spot, but last year's .296 batting average is an overstatement of his xBA of .246, which deflates his roto earnings. TM:BOS

Tommy Edman

\$12

Bats:	B	Age:	31						
YR/C	21:\$17	22:\$23	23:\$25	24:\$12	25:\$15	2026			
YR/E	21:\$29	22:\$31	23:\$15	24:\$2	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-66	SS-0	3B-13	OF-25	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	STL	.479	.248	.711	69	13	47	27/4	35/84
24	LAD	.139	.237	.711	20	6	20	6/0	11/30
25	LAD	.346	.225	.655	49	13	49	3/1	19/61
26	LAD	.517	.238	.668	67	16	64		12

Two years undermined by ankle injuries are followed by offseason ankle surgery, from which he's expected to be jake before the start of spring training. If he can escape the injury hex. He used to be an aggressive hitter who made decent contact with a bit of power and a lot of stolen base speed, but he hasn't run much the past two years and we'll have to see after he recovers if he's going to run that way again. Which makes him a bit of a cypher going into the season as the Dodgers centerfielder on paper. He hit more homers per at bat last year, notably tapping out eight in Mar/April while hitting more flies than ground balls, a major deviation from his career norms. Norms he reverted to when he was able to play the rest of the year. He may be too risky for anything but the endgame in Mixed-15, but could prove a nice bargain in NL-only if his recent past knocks his price down. TM:LAD

Xavier Edwards

\$21

Bats:	B	Age:	27						
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$17	25:\$21	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-97	SS-41	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIA	.78	.295	.655	12	0	3	5/0	3/14
24	MIA	.265	.328	.819	39	1	26	31/4	33/52
25	MIA	.561	.283	.694	75	3	43	27/7	49/88
26	MIA	.540	.283	.707	73	4	46		31

Player prices can be illusory when playing time differs. Edwards last year had similar homer and steals totals to 2024, but he did it in twice as many at bats. He was much less efficient while earning a similar amount. Which is why his season seemed off. When he was called up for good in July 2024 he seemed to be all over the place, in the middle of every Marlins rally. Last year, not so much, though he still makes plenty of contact and has decent speed, plus he's a good defender, especially at second, despite his weak throwing. That good contact comes against righties. Against lefties last year he had a .564 OPS, which could cost him appearances if he doesn't improve. He not old enough to write off at this point, but the cumulative affect

Player Name

Freddy Fermin

\$4

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$8	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-1011B-0	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-5			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 KCR	217	.281	.793	26	9	32	0/0	13/50
24 KCR	339	.271	.684	40	6	36	2/0	23/66
25 ---	319	.251	.630	32	5	26	1/2	19/65
26 SDP	439	.246	.649	49	10	46	3	

An aggressive contact hitting catcher who puts up an unhurtful batting average can be a valuable thing, but Fermin struggled mightily against lefties last year. Some of that was probably bad BABIP luck, but he also went the other way a lot more, his pull rate against lefties dropping from 56 percent to 26.3 percent. That change isn't a matter of luck. Traded to San Diego at the trade deadline, he figure to be the Padres No. 1 until Ethan Salas arrives, maybe in 2027, maybe in 2028, and will have some NL only value as long as he keeps his batting average up. His lack of power, however, makes him a very limited value even when cheap. TM:SDP

Jose Fermin

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-15	SS-0	3B-5	OF-5	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 STL	51	.235	.583	2	0	4	0/1	6/8
24 STL	71	.155	.438	7	0	4	2/1	7/11
25 AAA	237	.300	.912	47	7	40	20/5	45/25
25 STL	60	.283	.788	5	1	9	2/2	8/10

He's got absolutely no power. Even when he hits the ball on the ground, which he used to do a lot, he hit it pretty softly. In 2025 so softly the Cardinals seem to have convinced him to hit the ball more in the air, cutting his ground balls by more than third. And he hit a homer, right down the left field line. But his best skills are putting the ball in play and drawing walks. He has to be pretty passive to combine these two skills, and he has been, not swinging at balls in the zone more than 40 percent of the time. But he doesn't swing and miss much. Maybe the Cards are thinking that since he has just of average speed he won't be a very good slash and run type of hitter. He certainly wasn't in 2024. But he also hasn't gotten a real look, only 70 plate appearances last year, with a .794 OPS. He might not this year either, but he's out of options which means he either makes the team or he has to be offered to all the other teams. If he gets a shot at playing time he could put up a good average with some steals for cheap. It's possible. TM:STL

Yanquiel Fernandez

Bats:	L	Age:	23					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22	DH-26		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 ---	442	.262	.722	50	12	64	1/0	35/94
25 AAA	243	.284	.849	43	13	39	0/1	23/38
25 COL	138	.225	.613	13	4	11	0/0	8/44
26 COL	104	.239	.667	12	3	12	0	

Almost everyone's strikeout rate goes up when they advance to the major leagues, but Fernandez's jumped more than 100 percent. His decline in batting average from Triple-A to the bigs, however, is in line with historical 26 HITTERS

major league equivalencies. His swing and miss is more a matter of swinging at pitches outside the zone, which is a way hitters get into trouble, than missing at pitches in the zone, so there's room to improve that. He could start the year in Triple-A and get called up at any time and he could be a total disaster or a fount of homers taken off the waiver wire. TM:COL

Tyler Fitzgerald

Bats:	R	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$16	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-69	SS-0	3B-0	OF-3	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	483	.292	.879	87	22	78	32/3	54/133
24 SFG	314	.280	.831	53	15	34	17/4	22/108
25 AAA	211	.246	.700	34	6	27	2/0	17/62
25 SFG	217	.217	.599	19	4	14	9/4	17/70
26 SFG	165	.236	.677	21	5	17	7	

Followed up his awesome rookie campaign with a predictably unimpressive one as he tried to add some bat control and plate discipline. He hit the ball more, walked more, but hit the ball less hard and less often as the season went along, until he was sent down to Triple-A in August. He could make it back but given his age and the problems leopards have changing their spots he's a waiver wire candidate at best. TM:SFG

Dominic Fletcher

Bats:	L	Age:	29					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:\$5	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-12	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ARI	93	.301	.784	10	2	14	0/2	7/22
24 CHW	223	.206	.505	14	1	17	0/0	11/58
25 AAA	404	.260	.769	56	17	68	7/4	29/87

TM:PII

Rafael Flores

Bats:	R	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-1	1B-6	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	508	.280	.825	68	22	88	6/0	56/148

Traded from the Yankees to the Pirates at the deadline, he's a power-hitting catcher who has struggled with contact throughout his minor league career. Plus, there are still questions about his defense. He only saw 17 plate appearances late last season and may get another shot at some point this year. He's had the problems of looking at too many strikes and swinging and missing at too many strikes, which makes it harder to get your pitch to hit. And yet the power potential is real. TM:PII

Wilmer Flores

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	35					
YR/C 21:	\$8	22:\$8	23:\$8	24:\$7	25:\$2	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$12	\$11	\$17	24:\$3	25:\$9	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-30	2B-0	SS-0	3B-2	OF-0	DH-84		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	405	.284	.870	51	23	60	0/0	41/63
24 SFG	214	.206	.595	19	4	26	0/0	20/33
25 SFG	419	.241	.686	44	16	71	1/0	34/88
26 ---	233	.230	.654	25	8	32	1	

His last two seasons are what decline look like. He's still making contact but he's not hitting the ball hard enough to do damage. Importantly, he's not helping on defense

either. If he wins a job he might have a little value. He did ride a prodigious hot streak early last year to some outsized RBI totals, and that might be enough to get another ride. TM:---

Harry Ford

\$7

Bats:	R	Age:	23					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-4	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	444	.257	.844	89	15	67	24/8	103/109
24 AA	430	.249	.749	16	7	45	35/9	74/115
25 AAA	374	.283	.868	68	16	74	7/4	74/88
26 WSN	225	.225	.657	29	6	25	5	

A couple of years ago the question was whether he'd be able to make it as a major league catcher, but starting with his strong arm he's made himself a solid defensive backstop and now is on the verge of starting the season in the majors with the Nationals. He's a patient, selective hitter who walked a lot in the minors (he was the youngest player in the Top 10 in BB% in the Pacific Coast League last year) and until last year he stole a lot of bases, too. But last year he didn't run, apparently because he was focused on improving his defensive game and working to drive the ball more. Successful both ways, Ford was named the PCL top prospect of the year and with the trade to DC has a chance to break big in the majors. The caution is that minor league hitters who walk a lot often can't reproduce that skill at the major league level because pitchers throw more strikes, especially when a hitter is passive and hoping to capitalize on mistakes. Ford will have to make some adjustments if he's to have offensive success, but his reputation as a student of the game and a hard worker to boot gives him a leg up. TM:WSN

Nick Fortes

Bats:	R	Age:	30					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$6	24:\$3	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$3	24:\$0	25:\$1				
ML C-91	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIA	294	.204	.566	33	6	26	4/2	17/59
24 MIA	308	.227	.572	28	4	29	0/1	11/41
25 ---	218	.229	.642	19	5	21	1/0	14/47
26 TBR	285	.228	.606	29	6	29	2	

Defense-first backstop with little power or speed is not a great target. Maybe not even a great place to surrender to. TM:TBR

Justin Foscoe

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	462	.266	.865	94	18	84	14/7	85/70
24 AAA	191	.288	.936	5	10	36	3/2	43/39
25 AAA	407	.256	.800	66	19	68	7/0	46/64

TM:TEX

Jake Fraley

\$4

Bats:	L	Age:	31						
YR/C 21:	22:\$6	23:\$8	24:\$9	25:\$7	2026				
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$6	23:\$14	24:\$12	25:\$2	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-68	DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CIN	336	.256	.786	41	15	65	21/5	37/71
24	CIN	350	.277	.716	44	5	26	20/5	26/70
25	---	191	.241	.714	31	6	23	4/3	25/49
26	TBR	370	.249	.686	49	9	39		15

He's never hit lefties so he joins the Rays as a potential platoonist but the Rays outfielders are all lefties, so we'll have to see how this shakes out. Fraley is perpetually hurt in many different ways over the course of his career, but when he's healthy he's got good power and used to steal bases, but you can't count on that. Maybe this year he'll stay healthy, but where will he play? TM:TBR

Ty France

\$3

Bats:	R	Age:	32						
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$18	23:\$18	24:\$11	25:\$5	2026				
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$22	23:\$10	24:\$6	25:\$8	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-124	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-5			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	SEA	587	.250	.705	79	12	58	1/0	43/117
24	---	479	.234	.670	46	13	51	1/1	38/114
25	---	444	.257	.681	50	7	52	1/0	22/83
26	---	314	.250	.659	35	8	37		1

He went from being the worst first baseman in baseball in 2024 to a gold glove last year, thanks in part to playing hurt in 2024, which along with an offensive rebound may have saved his career. Still, from a fantasy perspective, he's a hollow log. An okay batting average, not much power, and no speed. But will a gold glove not win a starting job? He might if he puts up only a .680 OPS in his bounce back year. He will, of course, have a little value if he plays. TM:---

Christian Franklin

Bats:	R	Age:	27						
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	445	.272	.816	77	12	64	19/9	80/110

TM:WSN

Adam Frazier

\$2

Bats:	L	Age:	35						
YR/C 21:\$7	22:\$12	23:\$5	24:\$2	25:\$1	2026				
YR/E 21:\$27	22:\$11	23:\$10	24:\$2	25:\$10	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-79	SS-0	3B-7	OF-39	DH-8			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	BAL	412	.240	.697	59	13	60	11/4	32/68
24	KCR	262	.202	.573	35	4	22	3/0	22/59
25	---	419	.267	.683	43	7	44	8/6	26/81
26	---	329	.236	.615	37	5	32		6

Defensively versatile and offensively modest he puts the ball in play and has fantasy value when he plays a lot and has a good batting average. But because he doesn't usually hit a lot of homers or steal a lot of bases and sometimes doesn't hit for average his price has always been low. So he's usually been fantasy profitable. TM:---

Alex Freeland

Bats:	B	Age:	25						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	415	.263	.834	77	16	82	18/6	83/111
25	LAD	84	.190	.598	10	2	6	1/0	11/35

He was called up at the end of July when a few Dodger infielders landed on the IL and he

filled in here and there as needed. His early career struggles with strike outs resurfaced but he had mostly solved that problem at the lower levels. It will be harder in the majors. He's a patient hitter but sometimes his passivity gets him into bad counts and leads to more strikeouts, but it also leads to more walks. The Dodger lineup is a tough one to crack and Freeland's better side, batting lefty, is represented by Max Muncy and Hyeseong Kim. It's a crowded situation and it's hard to see Freeland emerging with regular playing time this year unless someone gets hurt or is traded. TM:LAD

Cody Freeman

Bats:	R	Age:	25						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	384	.336	.930	75	19	71	8/5	32/37
25	TEX	114	.228	.598	13	3	15	1/1	5/19
26	TEX	207	.231	.632	23	6	24		3

His fine contact skills carried over from Triple-A to the majors, but he didn't hit the ball nearly as hard at the higher level. His .244 xBA better reflects his grounder-heavy approach but unless he finds ways to hit the ball harder he's not going come close to showing the power a versatile but not plus-fielding utility guy should have. He's got two options left but if he gets the call he might make a decent waiver pickup. TM:TEX

Freddie Freeman

\$25

Bats:	L	Age:	37						
YR/C 21:\$35	22:\$28	23:\$37	24:\$39	25:\$30	2026				
YR/E 21:\$35	22:\$46	23:\$50	24:\$27	25:\$29	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-146	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	LAD	637	.331	.983	131	29	102	23/1	72/121
24	LAD	542	.282	.854	81	22	89	9/2	78/100
25	LAD	556	.295	.869	81	24	90	6/2	60/128
26	LAD	568	.283	.829	86	24	89		8

Ankle pain slowed him in the 2024 post-season but he had surgery and arrived at camp last year ready to go. But he missed the early Tokyo games with sore ribs and just as the regular season got underway he had an incident in the shower and reinjured the ankle, landing on the IL. He only missed 10 days and went on to have another solid season quite like the one he had in 2024. In what is perhaps a nod to the weight of aging he was considerably more aggressive, swinging more and making less but harder contact. Age is the bugaboo here, as he can be expected to become gradually or all at once more frail and less effective. Either way he should come at a bit of a discount. TM:LAD

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: It's no fun to play fantasy baseball like an actuary, but it's probably a wise idea. Freeman's bags are gone, his bat speed is declining, and he's 36. Be realistic. I like to trend younger with my roster construction.

Tyler Freeman

\$5

Bats:	R	Age:	27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$0	24:\$2	25:\$12	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-17	SS-0	3B-1	OF-66	DH-28			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CLE	153	.242	.664	20	4	18	5/0	10/30
24	CLE	330	.209	.624	48	7	32	11/6	28/53
25	COL	377	.281	.714	50	2	31	18/9	34/51
26	COL	301	.263	.682	42	5	31		13

He surprised last year by seeing more action than ever before, using his excellent contact skills to put the ball in play and then run. He hit the ball much harder than ever before, too, after leaving Cleveland, even though he missed time early with a sore wrist on a hit by pitch and did a stint on the IL with an oblique strain. He not surprisingly hit better at Coors Field, a .776 OPS there versus a .643 on the road, and he stole 13 bases there, which might make him a good streaming option when the Rockies are a mile high. He's slated for the short side of a platoon this year though he showed no platoon disadvantage. He also served primarily in a leadoff capacity last year, which put him in a good position to score runs. The Rockies might have some better options there this year, dinging his chances to match last year's earnings. TM:COL

Sal Frelick

\$17

Bats:	L	Age:	26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$11	25:\$7	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$11	25:\$24	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-1	OF-139	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIL	191	.246	.705	29	3	24	7/0	28/37
24	MIL	475	.259	.652	66	2	32	18/3	39/78
25	MIL	528	.288	.752	76	12	63	19/6	47/80
26	MIL	483	.266	.691	65	7	48		17

He added more power last year, bumped the homer total into double digits, and still was in the bottom five percent in exit velocity and hard hit percentage. His maximum exit velocity is middle of the pack, however, meaning he's trading power for contact and being selective when to let loose. Despite terrific speed he's not a big stolen base guy, though he contributes there, so you're mostly looking at reliably good contact skills, a good batting average, lots of at bats because he doesn't walk a lot and sometimes leads off, and a smattering of homers and stolen bases to round out the package. Maybe he would have run more if he hadn't strained his knee in early May. He stole seven before the injury and stopped running almost completely in the second half. The docs say he'll be good to go for spring training without any intervention, which is a reason to hope he has more in him in a healthy season, and reason to worry that the docs are wrong. TM:MIL

TIM MCLEOD PICK: 10-to-12 homers, with 20 stolen bases, and a solid hit tool is a recipe for success as a #3/4 outfielder.

Dayan Frias

Bats:	B	Age:	24						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	A+	338	.260	.794	43	11	49	8/3	51/83
24	AA	370	.203	.613	5	5	46	6/6	49/104
25	AAA	399	.216	.635	56	7	40	20/9	58/122

Player Name

Slick fielding third baseman hasn't shown the power usually associated with the position, and he strikes out a fair amount. If his defense gets him the call-up hope for some steals. He's shown some prowess that way in the minors. TM:

TJ Friedl

\$11

Bats:	L	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$12	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$24	24:\$7	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-149	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CIN	488	.279	.820	73	18	66	27/6	47/90
24 CIN	297	.226	.688	35	13	55	9/1	26/52
25 CIN	579	.261	.740	82	14	53	12/3	81/115
26 CIN	537	.245	.691	73	15	62		13

After a string of injuries wrecked his 2024 season it was nice to see him stay healthy and play full time for the Reds last year. He's been an aggressive contact hitter in the past, but last year he added increased plate discipline to the mix and worked more walks. That's a good discipline for him because he's not a big power or speed guy but manages to overachieve his skills both ways by working counts and making good decisions. He had 14 homers with 13 barrels last year. That's overachieving. TM:CIN

David Fry

\$2

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	24:\$11	25:-\$3	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-128	DH-44		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CLE	101	.238	.734	12	4	15	2/0	8/30
24 CLE	335	.263	.802	44	14	51	4/1	42/84
25 CLE	146	.171	.592	16	8	23	1/0	9/58
26 CLE	195	.227	.682	24	8	27		2

He had elbow surgery in November 2024 and didn't get going last year until June, then played occasionally until September, when he was hit in the face by a pitch, ending his season. He's been a terrific hitter as a catcher against lefties and is expected to be healthy in time for spring training slotting in as catcher and utility infielder and outfielder. He could be a sneaky way to pick up a surprisingly productive backstop if you can wait a few weeks, depending on your league's games played rules. TM:CLE

Braxton Fulford

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	28					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-32	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	147	.354	1.147	35	13	37	3/2	17/40
25 COL	108	.213	.591	11	1	16	1/0	7/36
26 COL	189	.232	.658	23	5	24		3

The impressive Triple-A batting average and homer totals are shaped by the high-altitude in Albuquerque and other bandboxes in the Pacific Coast League. His contact struggles against better pitching in Colorado have to be discouraging, especially since he doesn't in any way impress on defense. He's fast, is decently patient, and you have to like any catcher playing in Colorado if you're playing in an NL only two-catcher league. But Fulford's best quality right now is that the Rockies don't have anyone coming up behind him to push him aside. TM:COL

Luis Garcia Jr.

\$17

Bats:	L	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$9	24:\$6	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$10	23:\$12	24:\$24	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-129	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 WSN	447	.266	.702	61	9	50	9/4	27/60
24 WSN	500	.282	.762	58	18	70	22/5	27/86
25 WSN	488	.252	.701	67	16	66	14/5	27/84
26 WSN	496	.268	.731	62	17	67		16

Took a step back after his breakout season, missing time early with paternity leave and a few games in August with a sore back, but mostly missing time by sitting against lefties. He had a .441 OPS against lefties, so that limiting role is likely to continue. Against righties he was more than .300 better, hitting the ball harder than ever before, but running into some bad batted ball luck. Speaking of running, he's not super fast, so don't expect a return to his 2024 stolen bases, and he's not a great fielder, but as long as he can stay at 2B he should be helpful. A move to a utility role would probably hurt his value, though his aggressive style, which works against the taking of walks, could lead to healthier batting averages than he's shown the last two years. All in all, a mixed card with some potential but limited fantasy upside. TM:WSN

Adolis Garcia

\$15

Bats:	R	Age:	33					
YR/C 21:	22:\$16	23:\$25	24:\$28	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$29	23:\$25	24:\$14	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-128	DH-5		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TEX	555	.245	.845	108	39	107	9/1	65/175
24 TEX	580	.224	.684	68	25	85	11/5	45/177
25 TEX	507	.227	.665	58	19	75	13/4	28/135
26 PHI	550	.232	.695	68	24	81		12

He burst on the scene in 2021 with a hot start that he for the most part maintained all season long, playing with an aggressive all-out style that led to few walks and plenty of strikeouts. Concerns the late-bloomer would not be able to sustain that didn't bear out, as the next two years he walked a little more and struck out a little less and continued to be productive. But in 2024 he declined, losing power and walking less, getting off to a slow start after a spring training oblique strain and finishing the season with two separate IL stints for a tweaked ankle and another oblique strain. In the first half of the 2025 season, or at least after April, he was healthy and put up OPSes of .558, .728, and .683, before a pre-ankle injury .813 in August. Caution is advised because Garcia is a late-bloomer, he saw his first significant playing time at 28 years old after four years in Double- and Triple-A, but his Statcast numbers suggest he was a little unlucky last year and is still hitting the ball hard. Do not count on a return to his days of outsized production and World Series heroism, but with a little luck he might still help a fantasy team that doesn't pay too much. TM:PHI

Eduardo Garcia

Bats:	R	Age:	24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	298	.208	.608	36	4	29	10/2	26/106
24 AA	269	.245	.713	16	5	36	10/4	9/92
25 AA	474	.243	.725	73	13	56	41/7	55/145

Fielding first shortstop has a bit of power-speed combo but also a loose idea of the strikezone and too much swing in his game. Starting to work on playing center field just in case, but may not develop enough bat to get him across the line. TM:MIL

Jhostynxon Garcia

\$3

Bats:	R	Age:	22					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	434	.267	.810	79	21	75	7/1	45/131
26 PIT	357	.228	.662	44	11	43		6

Had nine plate appearances with the Red Sox last year and had one hit, two walks, and five strikeouts. In the offseason he was traded to the Pirates. He swing less often and struggled to make contact after he reached Triple-A last year. He took a more aggressive approach at the lower levels that had him putting more balls in play. That, of course, led to fewer walks but finding the right and productive balance for him is a reason he might play in Triple-A again this year, at least for a time. If he does make the team his mix of good power and some speed will be worth taking a little chance on. TM:PIT

Maikel Garcia

\$25

Bats:	R	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$17	25:\$16	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$15	24:\$15	25:\$28	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-11	SS-17	3B-136	OF-7	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 KCR	464	.272	.700	59	4	50	23/7	38/115
24 KCR	575	.231	.612	84	7	58	37/2	42/103
25 KCR	595	.286	.799	81	16	74	23/9	62/84
26 KCR	600	.266	.722	85	12	68		29

What impressed me in his rookie year was how hard he hit the ball, but since then he's tamped it down a bit. Last year, however, he successfully raised his launch angle a bit, walked more and struck out less, showing improvement across the board excepting steals. His sprint speed was down, the third straight year of decline, though he's still contributing there. With top-notch defense and his growing power he saw most of his plate appearances come batting fourth, fifth, and third, heart of the order that will not hurt his value. The Royals moving in the fences won't either. If he declines further in steals it will offset what likely power gains there are, but with his improving contact and patience he should be a significant contributor in BA or OBP, however your league deals. TM:KCR

Mitch Garver

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	35					
YR/C 21:	\$9	22:\$13	23:\$4	24:\$12	25:\$3	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$4	22:\$2	23:\$11	24:-\$3	25:\$0	Bid Price		
ML C-43	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-39		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TEX	296	.270	.869	45	19	50	0/0	44/82
24 SEA	367	.172	.627	37	15	51	0/0	53/133
25 SEA	254	.209	.639	29	9	30	3/0	30/80
26 ---	189	.202	.645	22	7	25		1

In 2023 he was just on, hitting the ball more and better in every which way. Last year he hit the ball hard but not nearly as often and despite his good patience he struggled. He's also not much of a catcher, which means he has to meet the performance threshold for DH or maybe third catcher. He'll qualify behind the plate this year and if he's going to see 10 at bats a week he should be considered in the scrum of \$1 catchers in two-catcher only leagues. TM:---

Mickey Gasper

Bats: B Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$5

ML C-0	1B-7	2B-2	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-12			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	311	.328	.981	9	12	58	4/1	56/42
25	AAA	179	.285	.915	32	10	26	2/0	25/38
25	MIN	95	.158	.489	15	2	11	2/0	10/20

The Twins acquired him in a trade before the 2025 season, but he didn't hit while they tried to find a role for him and they sent him down to Triple-A in early May. He ended up missing Triple-A time with plantar fasciitis and then was recalled to the big club late in July. The rest of the way he hit .158 with a .489 OPS. He'll be stuck in Triple-A this year unless someone gets hurt, designated off the 40-man in January. TM:WSN

Zack Gelof

Bats: R Age: 26

\$4

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$19	25:\$15	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$11	24:\$9	25:-\$5	Bid Price

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-30	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	270	.267	.844	40	14	32	14/2	26/82
24	OAK	497	.211	.631	60	17	49	25/3	38/188
25	AAA	176	.256	.888	46	12	31	12/0	34/54
25	ATH	92	.174	.499	12	2	7	1/2	7/46

A season full of injury woes ended in September with a dislocated shoulder that required surgery. He otherwise had his first half of the season obliterated during spring training by surgery to repair his hand after a hit by pitch, and a delayed rehab because of an issue with his ribs. When he finally made it back to the majors he struggled and was sent to Triple-A. The shoulder surgery was reportedly successful and if all goes well he should be healthy for spring training. Unfortunately, the biggest recent evidence we have for his historical performance is the terrible decline in 2024, the seeds for which were there in his successful 2023 run. Too many strikeouts, not enough walks, too much swing and miss. In 2023 he managed to barrel the ball from time to time. In 2024, the poor discipline and contact skills got worse and the barrels less frequent. He's quick and a good baserunner and a fine defender at second base, reasons he may get more of a look in the competition for the second base job, but the Athletics trade for Jeff McNeill probably leaves him on the outside looking in. TM:ATH

Angel Genao

Bats: B Age: 22

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-SS	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AA	335	.263	.715	49	5	42	6/1	35/58

He's still developing but his good defense, good contact, good speed, and potential for some power, could land him a starting job, maybe this year. He's small, just 5'9 and 150lbs, but has been adding muscle lately and showed increasing exit velocities last season. He missed a couple of months with a shoulder sprain which could slow his advance. TM:CLE

Drew Gilbert

Bats: L Age: 26

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4	Bid Price

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-38	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	433	.289	.869	79	18	59	12/5	58/97
24	AAA	229	.205	.692	7	10	33	3/1	30/54
25	AAA	343	.262	.834	52	14	55	6/3	50/66
25	SFG	100	.190	.598	12	3	13	1/1	7/20
26	SFG	353	.225	.648	43	10	41		5

He's a backup outfielder who got his first taste of the majors last year, didn't lose his rookie eligibility but slots in as the Giants alternative if Luis Matos isn't the one. Or, alternatively, becomes platoon partners with Matos, which might work out. He's got some power and some speed and made decent contact and showed good strike zone judgement during his brief time in the majors last year. He plays hard and has struggled with hamstring injuries the last couple of years, but if he can stay healthy his aggressive style of play and good contact skills could be fantasy valuable. He's a good one to bet a little on in deep leagues. TM:SFG

Andres Gimenez

Bats: L Age: 28

\$15

YR/C 21:	\$17	22:\$12	23:\$25	24:\$22	25:\$19	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2	22:\$30	23:\$19	24:\$18	25:\$2	Bid Price

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-87	SS-15	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CLE	557	.251	.715	76	15	62	30/6	32/112
24	CLE	583	.252	.637	64	9	63	30/5	26/97
25	TOR	329	.210	.598	39	7	35	12/2	25/66
26	TOR	538	.243	.630	66	11	58		23

He came up with a bit of power during the COVID short season, but has since opted for more contact and fewer strikeouts and fewer homers. He missed a month last spring with a quad strain and missed another month last summer with an ankle sprain, and struggled when he returned in August, but a robust postseason show should allay any concerns about his readiness. And that low batting average seems more attributable to bad BABIP luck than any fundamental issue. His xBA was a much more normal for him .258. To the extent that his health allows Gimenez should see plenty of playing time because of his glove, and last year's struggles against lefties appear to be more random than an ongoing issue. His career slash rates against lefties and righties are similar enough, though his .709 OPS against righties is not a plus. TM:TOR

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: Multiple lower leg injuries kept the red light on for Gimenez in 2025. Maybe he really does stink as a hitter

but all he needs to do to turn a tidy profit is go back to stealing 25-30 bases and be batting average neutral. His defense doesn't matter to us, but Toronto needs him to pick it which means he's going to play.

Paul Goldschmidt

Bats: R Age: 39

\$4

YR/C 21:	\$25	22:\$29	23:\$31	24:\$23	25:\$14	2026
YR/E 21:	\$34	22:\$43	23:\$24	24:\$16	25:\$15	Bid Price

ML C-0	1B-138	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-3			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	STL	593	.268	.814	89	25	80	11/2	87/161
24	STL	599	.245	.714	70	22	65	11/0	47/173
25	NYG	489	.274	.729	76	10	45	5/1	36/100
26	---	457	.256	.723	60	15	53		6

He got to play pretty regularly last year despite his decline in power and speed, and that participation earned some roto dollars, but in early NFBC drafts he's not being taken in three-quarters of the 15-team drafts. Maybe things will change if his position becomes more clearly defined, but until it is he's a weak producer at a peak position, with a good chance his best career choice this year is retirement. TM:---

PHIL HERTZ PAN: The downward trend continued in 2025 with the second half producing just two homers in 207 plate appearances. "Turn out the lights; the party's over."

Nick Gonzales

Bats: R Age: 27

\$8

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$7	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$10	25:\$5	Bid Price

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-85	SS-13	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	PIT	115	.209	.629	12	2	13	0/1	6/36
24	PIT	359	.270	.708	42	7	49	5/3	18/74
25	PIT	381	.260	.661	39	5	30	0/2	21/73
26	PIT	405	.258	.681	48	8	46		3

Fractured his ankle hitting a homer on opening day! He still managed to set a career best for plate appearances and played a solid enough shortstop to be considered the Pirates shortstop this year. As a hitter he makes contact, a lot, but hits a lot of balls on the ground, which means his batting average is likely to be okay but his fantasy production is likely to be not. TM:PIT

Gabriel Gonzalez

Bats: R Age: 22

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:

YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AAA	483	.329	.908	75	15	66	8/3	48/80

Lots and lots of contact on lots and lots of pitches in the zone and out. He made it to Triple-A last year for 148 plate appearances and hit for some power, but his next step depends on how he handles better pitchers who throw harder with breaking pitches in the zone. If he can get to enough of his power he could end up a good corner outfield regular, but odds are his aggressive approach is going to be enough of an undoing to relegate him to backup or platoon status when he reaches the majors, maybe later this summer. TM:MIN

Player Name

Romy Gonzalez

\$8

Bats:	R	Age:	30			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$1	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$3	23:-\$2	24:-\$6	25:\$15	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-58	2B-42	SS-0	3B-2	OF-0	DH-5
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	CHW	.194	.593	11	3	14 7/0 2/36
24	BOS	.199	.266	.723	25	6 29 11/3 12/58
25	BOS	.315	.305	.826	47	9 53 6/5 18/81
26	BOS	.367	.270	.747	50	12 52 11

He set a career best in plate appearances last year and had a hard hit rate above 50 percent, which at least partly explains his high BABIP both years and the boost in his performance. His .979 OPS against lefties was eye-opening but roughly consistent with his past performance, while his .718 OPS versus righties is okay, though his best ever and subject to replacement if the Red Sox have someone better available. He missed close to a month early on last season with a quadriceps strain but even if healthy he may not see as many plate appearances. TM:BOS

Hunter Goodman

\$20

Bats:	R	Age:	27			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$6	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$0	25:\$25	Bid Price	
ML C-104	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-39
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	COL	.70	.200	.658	6	1 17 1/0 5/24
24	COL	.211	.190	.645	24	13 36 1/1 8/64
25	COL	.540	.278	.843	73	31 91 1/2 33/152
26	COL	.540	.251	.769	72	29 89 3

Based on his 2024 performance you had to be wary. He didn't walk, he struck out a lot, and he didn't hit the ball very hard. He fixed things last year, though he still didn't walk much and he struck out a fair amount he hit the ball much harder. He hit barrels at the same rate as the year before, but his xSLG jumped from .408 to .476 and his xBA from .211 to .254. He pulls the ball in the air when he isn't striking out, which isn't a bad way to hit homers. More interestingly, he advanced as a catcher, showing framing and blocking skills last year that might keep him behind the plate going forward. His skillset is precarious but apart from a May slump and a June surge last year he was not only consistent but consistently solid. That plays in the mile high city. Don't go overboard, he's vulnerable, but he's also shown he has tools to protect him. TM:COL

Nolan Gorman

\$3

Bats:	L	Age:	26			
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$4	24:\$17	25:\$5	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:\$14	24:\$5	25:\$2	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-7	2B-28	SS-0	3B-54	OF-0	DH-22
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	STL	.406	.236	.810	59	27 76 7/2 53/148
24	STL	.365	.203	.671	42	19 50 6/1 34/151
25	STL	.351	.205	.666	48	14 46 1/1 47/136
26	STL	.466	.210	.676	58	21 64 5

What seemed promising in 2023 has turned sour as Gorman seems stuck in a vortex of bad contact and declining power. He pushed the patience levers last year and to the extent that a walk is as good as a hit he turned a really miserable batting average into a mediocre on-base percentage. Plus, he's not good in the field. It's hard to see him getting 400 plate appearances this year but on the optimistic hand he is still young enough to learn new tricks. TM:STL

30 HITTERS

Tristan Gray

Bats:	L	Age:	29			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3		
ML C-0	1B-5	2B-12	SS-9	3B-5	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	AAA	.468	.235	.799	71	30 98 2/3 46/166
24	AAA	.418	.251	.799	5	19 64 0/1 41/121
25	AAA	.248	.270	.805	40	9 44 3/1 24/67
25	TBR	.78	.231	.689	9	3 9 0/0 6/19

Traded to the Twins in January. TM:MIN

Riley Greene

\$26

Bats:	L	Age:	26			
YR/C 21:	22:\$8	23:\$15	24:\$20	25:\$23	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:\$13	24:\$20	25:\$26	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-133	DH-23
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	DET	.378	.288	.800	51	11 37 7/0 35/114
24	DET	.512	.262	.826	82	24 74 4/2 64/156
25	DET	.600	.258	.806	84	36 111 2/1 46/201
26	DET	.583	.260	.797	86	29 91 4

A more aggressive approach and more fly balls led to a boost in his power numbers and production but also a decline in walks, an increase in strikeouts, and less overall offensive value according to WAR despite 71 more plate appearances. Greene is still young but the change in approach is concerning because it undermined his efforts against lefties, against whom he'd struggled in the past, and gave him a more power or nothing approach to righties, with plenty of strikeouts destined to cripple some Tiger rallies. At this point we'll have to guess on Greene's future intent. Does he return to the patient hitter with okay contact skills and a little less power, the type of hitter who while approaching his prime could hit a fair number of homers and drive in a goody number of runs while compiling a solid on base percentage? Or does he lean into the aggressive power hitter profile, a hitter who makes more outs and hits more homers, the sort who might spike in homers but suffers from a falling batting average? In either case, no matter how he decides to go, Riley stands to be in the middle of a Tiger lineup full of young and talented hitters, so solid production should follow. TM:DET

PHIL HERTZ PICK: He will not give you any steals, but he's one of the best in all the other hitting categories.

Randal Grichuk

Bats:	R	Age:	35			
YR/C 21:	\$10	22:\$12	23:\$9	24:\$2	25:\$2	
YR/E 21:	\$12	22:\$18	23:\$12	24:\$11	25:\$1	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-57	DH-48
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	---	.434	.267	.783	65	16 44 2/2 29/96
24	ARI	.254	.291	.875	40	12 46 0/0 20/46
25	---	.272	.228	.674	35	9 27 0/1 17/61
26	---	.250	.251	.736	33	10 34 1

He has been a very useful platoon bat in recent years, but wasn't last year. Given his age and the off year make him show you something before you draft him. He could be fine or out. TM:---

Konnor Griffin

\$7

Bats:	R	Age:	20			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25	AA	.484	.333	.941	117	21 94 65/13 50/122
26	PIT	.368	.255	.702	47	10 43 19

He was a first round pick, No. 9 overall by the Pirates, in 2024 out of high school. Jeff Passan reported in November that the Pirates are strongly considering giving him a shot at the job. There's a couple of parts to that. "Strongly considering" means they haven't decided to give him a chance. And if they do they still might not want to promote him unless he forces them to. And even if he forces them to promote him there's no guarantee that he's going to get off to a good start, and if he doesn't the team is going to have to consider giving him a taste of Triple-A, where he has yet to play. Consensus is he's the No. 1 prospect in the game, but he's very young and his plate discipline was fine but not exemplary in the minors last year. Chatter is that the Pirates might promote him on Opening Day because if he wins Rookie of the Year they win a bonus draft pick, but given his inexperience at the highest levels his bust chances this year are elevated. Waiting for him to debut next year would increase the odds he'd win the award and bring a prize to the Bucs. TM:PIT

Trent Grisham

\$9

Bats:	L	Age:	30			
YR/C 21:	\$24	22:\$20	23:\$9	24:\$2	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$14	22:\$2	23:\$2	24:-\$1	25:\$17	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-140	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	SDP	.469	.198	.665	67	13 50 15/3 75/154
24	NYJ	.179	.190	.673	21	9 31 1/1 22/57
25	NYJ	.494	.235	.811	87	34 74 3/2 82/137
26	NYJ	.478	.223	.745	73	26 69 5

He's always been a pull hitter, but since arriving in Yankee Stadium he's become more of one. He's also hit the ball significantly harder than he did in San Diego. So, while his 21.5 percent HR/FB rate is high, it isn't way out of bounds for a lefty pull hitter who hits a fair number of balls in the air toward a short porch. He was weak enough against lefties last year that a platoon has to be of concern, especially since his defense, which was stellar in San Diego, fell off, probably related to a serious decline in speed after hamstringing issues cropped up. Can he repeat last year's surprising success? Statcast estimates he should have hit 28 homers, not 34, based on its adjustments, which is probably a more realistic number if he plays as much. TM:NYJ

Vaughn Grissom

\$6

Bats:	R	Age:	25			
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$14	25:\$1	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:-\$3	24:-\$5	25:	Bid Price	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	ATL	.75	.280	.672	5	0 9 0/1 2/15
24	BOS	.105	.190	.465	10	0 6 2/0 7/24
25	AAA	.370	.270	.783	69	13 48 9/2 37/73
26	LAA	.411	.240	.648	48	9 43 8

Traded to the Angels last December and out of options, he becomes a likely starter at second base for the Halos. Promoted by the Braves out of necessity in 2022 he held his own offensively, though he struggled with defense at second base. Relegated to Triple-A last year by the Red Sox he took a more aggressive approach and hit the ball harder than he did the year before, but he also walked less and struck out more. Still, he qualifies now as an

aggressive contact hitter with a bit of pop and a bit of stolen base potential. He's not going to break out as a power or speed guy, but with his contact skills could be a nice surprise this year if he plays regularly. TM:LAA

LuJames Groover

Bats: R Age: 24

YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AA	470	.309	.833	73	12	56	3/2	63/79

He's not the defensive player Blaze Alexander is, but his best tool is hitting the ball and if Alexander burns up Groover could get his, uh, groove on. Probably not enough upside to draft him unless he's made the team, and the Arenado signing adds another roadblock, but he could contribute if asked. TM:ARI

Vladimir Guerrero Jr.

\$34

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:\$41	22:\$33	23:\$22	24:\$41	25:\$29	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-133	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-24			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	TOR	602	.264	.794	78	26	94	5/3	67/100
24	TOR	616	.323	.940	98	30	103	2/2	72/96
25	TOR	589	.292	.848	96	23	84	6/3	81/94
26	TOR	592	.302	.888	97	30	97		5

He's no longer the chubby rookie who shocked the ball with a loud whack. After some early career struggles he lost weight and has become a durable and effective hitter. He hits the ball hard, too, but more on the ground than in the air, which is good for his batting average and bad for his homer totals. In 2021, when he hit more than twice as many homers as he did last year, he hit 36.5 percent fly balls and 26.5 percent left the yard. Last year, he hit only 32.3 percent fly balls and 14.3 percent went yard. For fantasy purposes, that makes a difference. It also means that a little adjustment could mean a lot more power. We can't know if that's how Guerrero is going to play it this year, but we can hope. He did hit eight homers in the post-season. TM:TOR

Lourdes Gurriel Jr.

\$10

Bats: R Age: 33

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:\$19	22:\$18	23:\$18	24:\$22	25:\$15	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-118	DH-12			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	ARI	551	.261	.775	65	24	82	5/0	33/103
24	ARI	513	.279	.757	72	18	75	7/1	29/101
25	ARI	500	.248	.713	52	19	80	10/4	31/76
26	ARI	354	.263	.724	44	13	52		6

Tore his anterior cruciate ligament trying to avoid a collision in the outfield in early September, costing him a month and maybe the start of this coming season. Recovery after surgery for a torn ACL is nine to 10 months, which would have him back on the field around June 1st, but there is a wider range that could have him back shortly after opening day or out until the end of August. He was showing signs of aging last year, hitting the ball less hard and swinging at more pitches out of the zone, but he also ran more and would have set a personal best in RBI if he hadn't gotten hurt. Your tolerance for risk and news about his recovery should shape his price this spring, but in general terms the cheaper the better. TM:ARI

Abrahan Gutierrez

Bats: R Age: 27

YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	192	.240	.718	21	5	27	1/1	26/30
24	AA	187	.241	.584	1	0	21	2/1	8/33
25	AAA	102	.235	.590	11	1	6	0/1	9/25

A Yankees Rule 5 pick up this past December from the Pirates, he's a fielding first backstop who, if he hits, doesn't hit for power. Not a fantasy friendly profile, apart from all the Rule 5 shenanigans. TM:NY, more likely PIT

Denzer Guzman

Bats: R Age: 22

YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AAA	465	.247	.769	65	17	74	14/3	62/137

He got a trial in September and struck in more than half his 43 plate appearances. Welcome to the big leagues, even if it was Anaheim. He struck out nearly 30 percent of the time in Triple-A, so nothing new there. He's fast with some power and what should be a good glove, plus he's young, so he'll have time to work things out. It looks like contact issues will be the bugaboo he has to overcome. TM:LAA

Eric Haase

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:\$8	22:\$8	23:-\$4	24:\$0	25:-\$3				
ML C-28	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	- - -	274	.201	.530	22	4	26	4/1	17/81
24	MIL	66	.273	.819	10	5	14	0/0	3/28
25	MIL	70	.229	.643	11	2	9	0/0	4/31

TM:SFG

Sam Haggerty

\$1

Bats: B Age: 32

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:-\$3	22:\$6	23:\$0	24:	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-0	3B-0	OF-41	DH-14			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	SEA	91	.253	.702	13	1	5	10/1	15/17
24	AAA	71	.310	.726	1	0	5	7/1	8/19
25	TEX	162	.253	.695	31	2	13	12/4	16/37
26	TEX	225	.232	.640	32	4	21		13

If he holds onto a platoon role on Rangers he might be a good source of some cheap steals and he has a bit of power batting righty, too. He's not a good enough defender to secure his roster spot if someone better should come along. TM:TEX

Petey Halpin

Bats: L Age: 24

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AA	356	.233	.723	1	12	45	12/7	43/95

Spent 2025 in Triple-A and was fine, but it's hard to get excited about his chances. Decent defense and speed give him an opening, but he struck out a lot and hit the ball in the air a lot without too much gas. If he's playing he might steal enough to be worth a waiver claim, but probably not. TM:CLE

David Hamilton

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$12	25:\$3				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-68	SS-12	3B-1	OF-0	DH-7			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AAA	393	.247	.804	74	17	54	57/14	71/109
24	BOS	294	.248	.697	47	8	28	33/4	22/80
25	BOS	177	.198	.586	27	6	19	22/6	13/47
26	BOS	102	.224	.647	15	3	10		11

He lost out on the second base job last spring to Kristian Campbell but made the Red Sox as a bench guy and saw a lot of bench time, even after Campbell was sent down. He was used mostly as a defensive replacement and pinch runner and stole a fantasy friendly number of bases, but was tough to roster even in AL only leagues. He's not a lock to earn even a reserve spot this spring, but if he's on the roster he's always worth a waiver pick up to fill an empty middle infield spot because of the steals. TM:BOS

Garrett Hampson

Bats: R Age: 32

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$1	23:\$4	24:-\$1	25:-\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-7	3B-3	OF-35	DH-3			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	MIA	221	.276	.733	30	3	23	5/0	23/67
24	KCR	213	.230	.573	16	0	16	7/2	14/59
25	- - -	77	.143	.411	19	0	1	3/1	11/29

TM:CIN

Ian Happ

\$17

Bats: B Age: 32

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:\$13	22:\$24	23:\$18	24:\$20	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-146	DH-4			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CHC	580	.248	.800	86	21	84	14/3	99/153
24	CHC	569	.243	.782	89	25	86	13/2	80/168
25	CHC	569	.243	.762	87	23	79	6/3	87/151
26	CHC	566	.242	.756	84	23	80		9

His swing profile improved. More patience, more contact, less swinging at balls out of the zone. His results did not. Nothing dramatic, but what looked like stasis was perhaps signs of a little better approach. That's reason enough to expect a small bump up on the hitting side this season, though declining Sprint Speed doesn't bode well for a bump up in steals. TM:CHC

Bryce Harper

\$26

Bats: L Age: 34

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:\$33	22:\$37	23:\$15	24:\$32	25:\$31	2026			
ML C-0	1B-130	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	PHI	457	.293	.907	84	21	72	11/3	80/119
24	PHI	550	.285	.898	85	30	87	7/4	76/138
25	PHI	501	.261	.844	72	27	75	12/2	70/121
26	PHI	574	.273	.855	89	30	92		11

His power is down from his glorious peak, but he's still a dangerous bat when he's on the field. The problem is he's averaged just 129 games the past five years, playing at most 145 games in 2024. It's hard to count on him playing more than that this year, which diminishes his fantasy value in leagues with weekly transactions. It's the reason he's maybe on track for the Hall of Fame, but by no means a sure thing at this point, despite his two MVP awards. He is an MVP in OBP leagues, though he's swinging more and walking less than he once did. TM:PHI

Player Name

Michael Harris II

\$23

Bats:	L	Age:	25
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$30	24:\$30 25:\$27 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$29	23:\$25	24:\$15 25:\$19 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-160 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ATL	505	.293	.813 76 18 57 20/4 25/101
24 ATL	440	.264	.722 58 16 48 10/6 23/94
25 ATL	611	.249	.676 55 20 86 20/6 16/128
26 ATL	538	.264	.724 67 19 71 17

He was the seventh worst qualifying hitter last year, ahead of only Ke'Bryan Hayes, Brenton Doyle, Luis Rengifo, Joey Ortiz, Brooks Lee, and Matt McLain, but his power speed combo and average batting average made him a middlin' fantasy contributor, a loser only because our expectations were too high. Especially since, for the first time, he was able to play a full season's worth of games. His problem is terrible strikezone judgment, or at least a failure to respect its benefits, so he ranked second among qualifiers in swinging at balls outside the strikezone while he was mediocre at hitting them. At pitches in the zone he makes good contact, so this feels like something that could be fixed, but after four years in the major leagues we see him walking less, not more. He's still young, he might still improve his approach, but for now our approach has to be to temper our expectations. TM:ATL

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Just when you thought he would never reach the potential he showed early in his career, the second half of 2025 arrived: 20 homers, .285. A bit of a gamble, but probably worth drafting - if the price remains depressed.

ROTOROB PAN: On the one hand, he is a great buy-low target. On the other, he's regressed each season since his superb rookie effort, especially in terms of getting on base. His power-speed combo is great, but having the lowest BB+ in majors makes him tougher to endure in OBP leagues.

Brett Harris

Bats:	R	Age:	28
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5 25:-\$2
ML C-0	1B-5	2B-0	SS-0 3B-27 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	273	.282	.818 5 9 47 6/3 42/62
24 OAK	103	.146	.539 15 3 12 0/3 17/25
25 AAA	218	.289	.890 41 12 39 7/1 28/38
25 ATH	73	.274	.688 11 0 5 1/0 7/21
26 ATH	154	.221	.630 20 4 16 2

He's a good fielder but has little power or speed, so unless he plays more than he probably will he's not going to be of fantasy interest. He had offseason thumb surgery but is expected to start spring training ready to compete for a job. TM:ATH

Robert Hassell III

\$3

Bats:	L	Age:	25
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-63 DH-2
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A	467	.221	.650 66 9 41 15/5 68/161
24 AAA	320	.241	.655 3 5 28 15/4 35/76
25 AAA	294	.310	.838 45 10 49 16/3 35/57
25 WSN	197	.223	.572 22 3 18 4/0 8/62
26 WSN	232	.229	.616 26 5 24 5

After struggling with hand and wrist injuries for a few years he stayed healthy last year

and made his major league debut. He did not impress, or rather he negatively impressed, by striking out a bit more than 30 percent of the time. He's not a power hitter and didn't show off his speed potential which makes him look like a fantasy zero, but he made his skillset work in Triple-A last year and given the development time he's missed he should get a mulligan. He's not a sure bet, his contact skills would look better on a hard swinger, but given his speed and propensity to hit grounders there is a path to being a slash and run force at some point. TM:WSN

Ke'Bryan Hayes

\$7

Bats:	R	Age:	29
YR/C 21:	\$20	22:\$20	23:\$19 24:\$16 25:\$10 2026
YR/E 21:	\$10	22:\$15	23:\$17 24:\$3 25:\$6 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-152 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 PIT	494	.271	.768 65 15 61 10/6 28/104
24 PIT	365	.233	.573 38 4 25 11/2 23/75
25 ---	527	.235	.595 50 5 49 12/3 36/111
26 CIN	565	.241	.622 61 9 55 13

He struggled against righties last year, which has been a problem for him in his modest career, but he really struggled against lefties, against whom he has usually been playable. Some of his offensive issues may have been bad luck, but neutral luck would not be enough to make a difference. He continues to be playable because of his solid defense at third base. Surely the Reds would rather have Sal Stewart in the lineup, but his defensive shortcomings are as obvious as Hayes' skills. Don't get fooled into hoping Hayes finds his offensive chops and you won't overpay for his very obvious limitations. TM:CIN

Austin Hays

\$8

Bats:	R	Age:	31
YR/C 21:	\$12	22:\$14	23:\$12 24:\$10 25:\$6 2026
YR/E 21:	\$17	22:\$15	23:\$18 24:\$3 25:\$15 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-61 DH-40
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 BAL	520	.275	.778 76 16 67 5/1 38/141
24 ---	235	.255	.698 26 5 20 2/2 9/59
25 CIN	380	.266	.768 60 15 64 7/0 29/107
26 CWS	485	.250	.708 63 16 64 6

Injuries have pocked his last two seasons but he's considered healthy now and will be ready for spring training. He's much more effective against lefty pitchers than righties, but he hit righties well enough last year that a platoon isn't essential going forward. But it might happen depending on his situation. He added power last year and struck out more when he played, putting up the best barrel rate of his career, but questions about his durability and ability to sustain those gains should keep his price fairly low. TM:CWS

Austin Hedges

Bats:	R	Age:	34
YR/C 21:	\$1	22:	23:
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:-\$7	23:-\$7 24:-\$6 25:-\$6
ML C-67	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ---	185	.184	.463 14 1 16 1/0 11/47
24 CLE	132	.152	.418 12 2 15 2/0 6/50
25 CLE	155	.161	.522 13 5 10 1/2 18/43
26 CLE	125	.178	.516 12 3 12 2

He's signed for \$4M to catch 70 games and not threaten to hit .200. That's good defense. TM:CLE

Jonah Heim

\$3

Bats:	B	Age:	31
YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$8	24:\$14 25:\$7 2026
YR/E 21:	-\$1	22:\$7	23:\$15 24:\$4 25:\$1 Bid Price
ML C-96	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-27
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 TEX	457	.258	.761 61 18 95 2/0 40/96
24 TEX	459	.220	.602 45 13 59 1/1 26/90
25 TEX	395	.213	.602 38 11 43 3/0 32/88
26 ---	211	.222	.623 22 6 26 1

It's the decline in his defensive game that made him expendable by the Rangers and borderline for even deep fantasy leagues. Blame how much he caught the last few years and perhaps not unrelated injuries to his hands and wrists to his struggles at the plate. Heim has also said mental fatigue has undermined him, at least in 2024. He's a high variance target. He could bounce back or he could decline further. Notably, even in his down year last year he had a positive roto earnings value. That's a reason to take a flyer on him. TM:---

Tyler Heineman

Bats:	B	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:	24:
ML C-61	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	135	.230	.670 23 2 19 5/0 25/35
24 AAA	162	.253	.790 6 6 27 8/1 28/33
25 TOR	149	.289	.767 25 3 20 2/0 12/31
26 TOR	134	.232	.629 18 3 14 2

Backing up Alejandro Kirk wasn't a hard job last year, Kirk played 118 games behind the plate so Heineman got into 61. Curiously, for the fourth year in a row Heineman spent time with Toronto, but in each of 2022, 2023, and 2024, he also spent time with other teams. Last year, he was the Blue Jays backup guy, and for the first time in his career he generated positive roto value. But with an xBA of .215, which is more like his career output up to this point, a repeat is unlikely. TM:TOR

Michael Helman

Bats:	R	Age:	30
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-1 3B-0 OF-35 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	277	.271	.844 6 14 47 12/1 29/76
25 AAA	281	.231	.698 53 9 37 12/3 21/61
25 TEX	99	.232	.736 18 5 20 4/0 7/21
26 TEX	153	.221	.647 20 5 19 4

He has backup outfielder skills, and might run enough to add on waivers when you're down a player. TM:TEX

Gunnar Henderson

\$32

Bats:	L	Age:	25
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$23	24:\$29 25:\$36 2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:\$22	24:\$38 25:\$27 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-1453B-0 OF-0 DH-8
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 BAL	560	.255	.819 100 28 82 10/3 56/159
24 BAL	630	.281	.893 118 37 92 21/4 78/159
25 BAL	577	.274	.787 85 17 68 30/5 62/137
26 BAL	592	.275	.830 99 27 84 23

He started the season on the IL with an intercostal strain, which makes breathing painful and along with the missed spring training time led to a slow start. After a solid enough summer, but without the power he showed the year before, he slumped through

September, leading to a disappointing season for Orioles fans and his fantasy owners. His Statcast numbers say the power decline came from a crash in his effectiveness against breaking pitches. His SLG against them in 2024 was .708, and fell to .415 in 2025. He saw a slight uptick in benders last year, but that doesn't explain the drop. The drop explains why pitchers threw him more breaking pitches. Can he fix this? Or will pitchers outgun him with curve balls this coming season too? He claimed in the offseason his problem was he was playing with a shoulder impingement and it's cleared up now. So he might bounce back, but perhaps more importantly, despite his struggles, Henderson had a solid fantasy season last year, so his price isn't going to crater. And while he may not live up to 2024's lofty level, it doesn't seem like his production will either. TM:BAL
PATRICK DAVITT PICK: .274/.349/.438 (.787), 17 HR, 30 SB was a \$20-ish season that disappointed most of his fantasy managers hoping for \$30-ish. In January, he revealed that he played with a "shoulder impingement" that interfered with his swing. He says he'll be 100% for 2026. If so, he could revert to 2023-24 numbers, 30+ HR, near-200 R+RBI, .270, with 30+ SB upside.

Darell Hernaiz

Bats: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$.55	25:\$.51				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-14	SS-23	3B-20	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	561	.321	.843	87	9	71	13/5	50/75
24 OAK	120	.192	.501	8	1	12	1/1	11/27
25 AAA	387	.305	.804	67	4	50	12/0	46/51
25 ATH	173	.231	.596	17	2	16	3/4	17/24
26 ATH	170	.234	.622	18	3	17		3

His mix of patience at the plate and contact is intriguing, but the results in limited major league play have not been. At Triple-A? Yes, he's done it and should now get an extended chance to work it out in a minor league park with a major league team. The signing of Jeff McNeil means he's blocked in the middle so his uncertain role makes him more a waiver add than an endgame play. TM:ATH

Enrique Hernandez

Bats: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$12	23:\$7	24:\$2	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$15	22:\$2	23:\$7	24:\$4	25:\$0				
ML C-0	1B-28	2B-18	SS-0	3B-27	OF-28	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ---	465	.237	.658	57	11	61	4/1	34/97
24 LAD	362	.229	.653	44	12	42	0/0	27/77
25 LAD	232	.203	.620	30	10	35	0/0	18/68
26 ---	319	.223	.644	37	11	40		1

He played the second half of last season with a tendon tear in his elbow, which he had repaired after the post-season. He will probably not return until June or so which makes him a utility guy with a little homer pop off the bench likely available in the waiver pool when he returns. He's a free agent. Can you imagine a scenario in which he doesn't end up back with the Dodgers? TM:---

Heriberto Hernandez

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$6**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	141	.220	.773	21	9	21	6/2	19/57
25 MIA	256	.266	.784	40	10	45	1/1	31/77
26 MIA	321	.237	.711	44	12	46		3

Called up at the end of May, this former top prospect in the Rays organization became something of a platoon outfielder and sometime DH who struck out less and hit with less but decent power than he'd had in Triple-A. He lost top prospect status over the years because of his struggles with contact, and despite his good batting average and better strikeout rate last year he did not improve on that front. He simply swings and misses too often at pitches in the zone to trust. He hit righties just as well as lefties last year, which might earn him more playing time, but unless he make more contact he's not going to reliably hit for average. Those who believe he's a .260 hitter are going to overbid for him. TM:MIA

Teoscar Hernandez

Bats: R Age: 34 **\$19**

YR/C 21:\$22	22:\$30	23:\$24	24:\$20	25:\$26	2026			
YR/E 21:\$32	22:\$23	23:\$20	24:\$30	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-133	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SEA	625	.258	.751	70	26	93	7/2	38/211
24 LAD	589	.272	.840	84	33	99	12/3	53/188
25 LAD	511	.247	.738	65	25	89	5/2	26/134
26 LAD	546	.259	.776	74	28	89		8

It was a below average season for Hernandez and while some of that looks like bad BABIP luck, his hard hit numbers have been declining slowly (and erratically) since he was in his mid-20s. So, he followed his up 2024 with a down 2025, down even though he made a little better contact by attacking pitches earlier in the count, cutting his walk and strikeout rates. That may be a good line of attack as he ages, because his contact rates have always been dicey, though many aging sluggers go the other way, swinging harder, missing more and hitting the ball farther. His approach is going to shape his value this year and creates a guessing game for us fantasy players. It should be noted that he missed time early in the season with a groin strain, which after a hot start affected him a bit even after he returned. So there is a broad range of possibilities for him, favoring some bounce back but not to his 2024 level. TM:LAD

Ivan Herrera

Bats: R Age: 26 **\$18**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$10	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$19	Bid Price			
ML C-14	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-4	DH-89		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	290	.297	.956	66	10	60	11/2	75/77
24 STL	229	.301	.799	37	5	27	5/0	25/53
25 STL	388	.284	.836	54	19	66	8/2	43/84
26 STL	516	.272	.766	75	19	71		9

He had elbow surgery in October to fix the injury that restricted him to DHing in the second half last year. He hit eight homers in September, so the injury didn't unduly affect his offensive game. With only 14 games behind the plate last year, in at least some leagues

he'll be a DH only this year, at least to start, but he's expected to split backstop duties and should qualify at catcher sometime in the spring. He missed time last year with a bruised knee and a hamstring strain as well as the sore elbow. He's a solid hitter with good plate control and solid contact skills, as well as emerging power that could be a difference maker. TM:STL

Jose Herrera

Bats: B Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$.6	23:\$.5	24:\$.3	25:\$.5				
ML C-57	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ARI	101	.208	.549	15	0	7	1/0	13/30
24 ARI	97	.227	.592	11	1	13	0/0	9/27
25 ARI	166	.187	.529	21	2	17	0/0	23/47

He's a glove-first catcher with a good eye and modest contact skills who doesn't have any homer power or stolen base speed. TM:TEX

Liam Hicks

Bats: L Age: 27 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-62	1B-28	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-21		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 MIA	332	.247	.690	37	6	45	2/0	43/56
26 MIA	148	.242	.663	17	3	18		1

He's one of the softest hitters in the game, though not nearly as soft as Arraez and Kwan, but he's got great strike zone judgement and makes plenty of contact. A lot of his potential value is going to depend on whether the Marlins give him 350+ plate appearances again. He's not a big plus at catcher and he's not a big plus at bat, and with Joe Mack in the mix Hicks could easily be passed by. TM:MIA

Kyle Higashioka

Bats: R Age: 36 **\$4**

YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$2	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:\$2	23:\$1	24:\$5	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-71	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-22		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	242	.236	.698	24	10	34	0/0	14/74
24 SDP	246	.220	.738	29	17	45	2/0	15/74
25 TEX	303	.241	.693	33	11	47	3/1	20/72
26 TEX	261	.227	.679	30	11	38		2

He saw more playing time last year than ever before because of Jonah Heim's struggles, but figures to recede back into a secondary role after the Rangers signed Danny Jansen. He's got a little power and has made more contact the last couple of years, perhaps supporting a not hurtful batting average in AL-only leagues. TM:TEX

Derek Hill

Bats: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$.3	23:	24:\$.3	25:\$.1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-54	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	334	.314	.884	68	11	51	17/5	31/70
24 ---	162	.241	.687	19	7	25	6/2	5/56
25 ---	134	.216	.604	19	3	11	7/0	9/48
26 CHW	122	.227	.635	15	4	14		4

As a backup centerfielder he plays good enough defense to warrant a spot on a bad major league team. TM:CHW

Player Name

Rece Hinds

Bats: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-14	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	380	.208	.663	3	14	47	20/3 37/160
25	AAA	391	.302	.920	79	24	83	21/5 33/113

TM:CIN

Nico Hoerner

Bats: R	Age: 29	\$25						
YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$4	23:\$17	24:\$24	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$24	23:\$30	24:\$23	25:\$29	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-153	SS-8	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CHC	619	.283	.736	98	9	68	43/7 49/83
24	CHC	582	.273	.708	86	7	48	31/6 44/66
25	CHC	599	.297	.739	89	7	61	29/6 39/49
26	CHC	606	.281	.699	84	7	59	30

He's elite in avoiding strike outs and squaring up on the ball, though he doesn't hit it hard. He did have an xBA in the 97th percentile last year, and if he's slowed a little he's still in the top quarter in the game in sprint speed. He's also a top defender at second base and stays healthy generally, which means he'll be reliable until he isn't. There are arguments for not paying up for batting average and steals, you want to spend your money on power, but when all is said and done a player who performs the way Hoerner does has real value. TM:CHC

ALEX PATTON PICK: For a while it looked like he might win the batting title. This year he will.

Jackson Holliday

Bats: L	Age: 23	\$16						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$15	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-139	SS-8	3B-0	OF-0	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A	477	.323	.943	113	12	75	24/9 101/118
24	BAL	190	.189	.565	28	5	23	4/0 15/69
25	BAL	586	.242	.690	70	17	55	17/11 56/140
26	BAL	517	.240	.691	72	15	57	15

He played last year the way the Orioles had hoped he'd play in 2024, which still led to disappointment among those convinced he was going to be the next Wander Franco. With obvious off the field differences. Holliday didn't make as much contact as expected and struggled in the second half, both reasons to worry that he still has a way to go in his development. He also struggled against lefties, which potentially changes his future profile as well. He was born in December, so he's a young 23 this year with plenty of room to improve, but he also needs to improve his defense, increasing the risk that he'll be pushed off shortstop. Think of him as an outfielder in a platoon and shudder. That's far from inevitable, but the possibility should temper expectations this year. TM:BAL

Jung Hoo Lee

Bats: L	Age: 28	\$12						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$13	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:\$15	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-147	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	SFG	145	.262	.641	15	2	8	2/3 10/13
25	SFG	560	.266	.735	73	8	55	10/3 47/71
26	SFG	550	.267	.716	73	10	56	10

Aggressive in the zone, he makes plenty

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of contact but hits the ball mostly on the ground. That he hit 23 homers in Korea a few years back is hard to imagine, but he should continue to have a decent batting average and modest power and speed numbers going forward. That part is easy and obvious. More troubling is his defense, which rated poorly last year by every measure. Well, Statcast says his arm is good, but his range, which is kind of important for a centerfielder, is not good, which is strange for a fairly fast guy. The Giants will surely be working with him on his routes to the ball, but signed Harrison Bader in January, pushing Lee to right field. Will he hit enough to hold a corner outfield spot? With his .632 OPS against lefties last year there are reasons to be worried x2. He's athletic and looks like he's baseball savvy but he's going to need to make some adjustments to hold onto regular playing time. TM:SFG

Spencer Horwitz

Bats: L	Age: 28	\$11						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-102	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AAA	392	.337	.958	61	10	72	9/2 78/72
24	TOR	328	.265	.790	46	12	40	0/0 42/70
25	PIT	364	.272	.787	55	11	51	0/1 44/73
26	PIT	434	.259	.742	60	13	55	2

What looked like a bad trade for the Pirates got a lot better when Luis L. Ortiz was arrested for gambling, though Horwitz proved himself to be just about as meh a player as he appeared to be at the time of the trade.

The shape of his 2025 season, however, hints that there might be more here than meets the eye. He started the season on the IL following February thumb surgery, debuted in May and struggled, putting up a .628 OPS before the All Star break. Afterwards, he got hot and had a .916 OPS, walking 12.6 percent of the time and striking out only 13.9 percent, with an excellent slugging percentage of .520. Not meh at all. Horwitz doesn't hit lefties, however, and so doesn't play against them, capping his upside fantasy value, especially in mixed leagues, but his good strikezone judgement and contact skills plus a little pop can make him very useful in deep leagues if his price is meh enough. TM:PIT

ALEX PATTON PICK: Won't be in the lineup against lefties, because he can't hit them, but showed what he can do against righties, slashing .305/.396/.520 in the second half with a fully mended wrist.

Rhys Hoskins

Bats: R	Age: 33	\$6						
YR/C 21:\$20	22:\$21	23:\$22	24:\$17	25:\$13	2026			
YR/E 21:\$13	22:\$21	23:	24:\$11	25:\$4	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-82	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	MIL	449	.214	.720	59	26	82	3/0 53/149
25	MIL	279	.237	.748	30	12	43	2/1 38/91
26	---	426	.222	.710	54	21	65	3

He started hot, slumped, and then sprained his thumb and sat for the next two months and then some. When he was healthy the Brewers had moved on and he didn't play much. He's got good power and will take a walk though he's struggled with contact the

last two years, after missing 2023 with a torn ACL, in ways he hadn't before the lost season. His poor defense makes him a tough fit as anything other than DH, which could limit his opportunities this year and also make him a potential bargain if his situation improves. TM:---

Brady House

Bats: R	Age: 22	\$6						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-72	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A	340	.312	.869	52	12	47	9/2 26/89
24	AAA	498	.241	.704	10	19	66	6/3 31/143
25	AAA	260	.304	.873	42	13	41	0/1 20/75
25	WSN	261	.234	.574	26	4	29	5/3 8/78
26	WSN	492	.242	.644	53	13	57	7

A first-rounder (No. 11 overall) in 2021, he's an excellent third baseman who at the plate attacks aggressively and swings and misses a lot. That led to the worst BB/K ratio in the game for players with 250 or more plate appearances except for the notorious Javy Baez. He hits the ball hard though quite a lot on the ground when he hits it and is going to have to do some adapting to get to his power, but he's young and has a chance. He also comes with a big risk of busting, though his defense will get him extended looks. TM:WSN

Andy Ibanez

Bats: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:\$1	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$2	23:\$8	24:\$3	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-4	2B-11	SS-1	3B-68	OF-1	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	DET	356	.264	.746	42	11	41	1/0 24/69
24	DET	224	.241	.652	30	5	32	2/3 15/63
25	AAA	139	.259	.731	11	2	16	4/2 18/30
25	DET	176	.239	.653	24	4	21	4/1 12/26
26	LAD	159	.238	.650	20	4	20	2

His defense is still useful so he may end up being someone's utility guy this year, especially given his spike in contact. Many fewer empty outs, but not many more hits. Signed with the Dodgers in January as their Enrique Hernandez fill-in perhaps. TM:LAD

Jose Iglesias

Bats: R	Age: 36							
YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$4	23:	24:	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:\$16	22:\$16	23:	24:\$14	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-40	SS-32	3B-24	OF-1	DH-16		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AAA	123	.317	.914	22	4	27	0/1 9/22
24	NYM	270	.337	.830	39	4	26	6/2 12/39
25	SDP	306	.229	.589	29	3	36	5/1 24/56
26	---	204	.263	.651	23	3	21	3

After a run of fantasy-friendly seasons because of his strong batting averages, he didn't. He had the highest strikeout and walk rates of his career and his lowest batting average since 2012. Still, he made enough contact that the magic could return to your waiver wire at some point. TM:---

Jonathan India

Bats: R	Age: 30	\$12						
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$25	23:\$17	24:\$11	25:\$16	2026			
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$9	23:\$14	24:\$16	25:\$4	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-76	SS-0	3B-20	OF-21	DH-27		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CIN	454	.244	.759	78	17	61	14/2 52/109
24	CIN	533	.248	.748	84	15	58	13/2 80/125
25	KCR	497	.233	.669	63	9	45	0/4 54/106
26	KCR	476	.244	.696	67	12	52	7

He was considered a savvy pick last offseason by the Royals but he strained his quad early in the season and struggled getting going. In fact he never really did get going and had to work with shoulder and wrist issues as the season progressed. Blame the injuries on his lack of stolen bases, which were likely affected by him dropping from batting leadoff to hitting down in the order. Notably, his speed score for the year was better than the previous two years. He's a disciplined hitter with lots of contact skills, who doesn't score highly in Hard Hit% but can turn on pitches he likes with power. The Royals say he's going to be their second baseman this year, no bouncing into the outfield depending on the matchups, but we'll see about that. A healthy India brings enough power and speed to curry fantasy favor. TM:KCR

Cooper Ingle

Bats: L	Age: 24								
MLN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	415	.260	.808	68	10	55	0/2	86/85

He ended up seeing 107 plate appearances in Triple-A last summer and while he walked way more than he struck out, as has been his pattern coming up, he only hit .207 with little power, hitting a fair number of ground balls. He's a skillful catcher who runs well and his contact skills are expected to translate to the majors at some point. If he shows progress at Triple-A this year he could be a quick promotion to the big club, where Austin Hedges is unlikely to hold anyone deserving back. TM:CLE

Xavier Isaac

Bats: L	Age: 21								
MLN C-	1B-1B	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	139	.201	.812	21	9	22	1/2	34/52

Huge power and lots of walks but also many strikeouts. He improved a little last year but looked at a lot more called strikes, which is a passive approach that will be crushed by major league pitchers. His 63 percent contact rate is not promotable, but he'll get every chance to find a better way because of the power potential. An unlikely major league contributor this year. TM:TBR

Kyle Isbel

Bats: L	Age: 29	\$1							
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$5	24:\$3	25:\$3	2026				
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:\$1	23:\$4	24:\$7	25:\$5	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-135	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	KCR	292	.240	.668	45	5	34	7/1	17/59
24	KCR	384	.229	.649	62	8	42	11/2	27/88
25	KCR	368	.255	.644	42	4	33	4/5	23/74
26	KCR	444	.238	.642	58	8	45		10

He plays a good center field and while he hits righties better than he does lefties he doesn't hit righties all that well. With a speed outage last year his only fantasy virtue is that at bats against righties will be there until the Royals decide to go bigger. A very desperate endgame play for deep AL only leagues. TM:KCR

Alex Jackson

Bats: R	Age: 31								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:-\$7	22:	23:	24:-\$7	25:-\$2					
ML C-35	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AAA	225	.284	.906	42	16	45	0/0	18/62
24	TBR	139	.122	.437	17	3	12	1/0	12/53
25	AAA	164	.226	.772	31	10	34	1/1	19/53
25	BAL	91	.220	.763	17	5	8	0/0	5/37

TM:MIN

Jeremiah Jackson

Bats: R	Age: 26								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-0	3B-13	OF-34	DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	339	.313	.879	47	15	41	11/7	15/51
25	BAL	170	.276	.775	20	5	21	0/2	11/50
26	BAL	247	.244	.692	29	8	30		4

He was called up in late July and played somewhat regularly into September. He was a little productive and he can play third base and in the outfield, which give him another dimension. He still strikes out a lot and though he hit the ball hard he hit a lot of grounders, which makes his fine homer total nice but future knee-capped unless he adds some lift. Consider his .226 xBA a better indicator of his skillset right now and his chances of breaking into the Orioles lineup absent injuries to be nil. Not somebody for draft day but maybe the waiver wire if he's getting at bats. TM:BAL

Danny Jansen

Bats: R	Age: 31	\$2							
YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$6	23:\$8	24:\$7	25:\$4	2026				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$6	23:\$5	24:-\$1	25:\$2	Bid Price				
ML C-93	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-4			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TOR	268	.228	.786	38	17	53	0/0	23/62
24	---	278	.205	.658	35	9	24	0/0	40/61
25	---	288	.215	.720	38	14	36	0/0	42/86
26	TEX	305	.214	.677	39	12	37		1

The metrics say he's great at blocking the plate but his other defensive skills have eroded, making him a below average backstop. With the bat he's not a zero but despite great patience and some power he's been powering a lot of infield fly balls, a bane when coupled with a rising strikeout rate, as he does. Not a terrible endgame choice but there are others who have a higher ceiling. TM:TEX

Ryan Jeffers

Bats: R	Age: 29	\$10							
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$5	23:\$3	24:\$8	25:\$12	2026				
YR/E 21:\$0	22:-\$2	23:\$10	24:\$10	25:\$9	Bid Price				
ML C-88	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-30			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIN	286	.276	.860	46	14	43	3/2	33/93
24	MIN	412	.226	.731	56	21	64	3/0	32/94
25	MIN	406	.266	.752	47	9	47	1/1	50/91
26	MIN	459	.245	.717	60	17	61		3

He's a much better hitter against lefties than righties, but produces enough against righties to play. Last year he was much more selective and disciplined at the plate and made much more contact while hitting the ball harder than he had the year before yet with much less power. That doesn't really make sense, but the decreasing strikeout rate the last two years indicates he's favoring less swinging and more consistent medium power over

bursts of big power strokes. Surely he'll be tinkering some more, trying to maintain the contact while increasing the power. He's got a solid enough base he just might be able to do it. TM:MIN

Walker Jenkins

Bats: L	Age: 21	\$2							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price				
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	RK	105	.362	.989	16	3	22	6/3	9/14
24	AA	305	.282	.844	3	6	58	17/3	56/47
25	AAA	308	.286	.850	56	10	34	17/4	50/76

A 2023 first rounder, No. 5 overall, he was a serious contact hitter at the lower levels of the minors but has shown an increased tendency to take walks as well as strikeouts since landing in Double-A last year. The batting averages and on-base percentages look good, in part because of an elevated BABIP which he perhaps earned by hitting the ball fairly hard. But he's going to be challenged more in the majors unless he shows more power and is unlikely to walk as much. This is where evaluation gets tricky, because he's still just 21 years old, and was very young for both Double- and Triple-A last year. Expect him to start in Triple-A this year working to increase his power. But with strong enough contact skills to have some success if for some reason the Twins promote him. TM:MIN

Carter Jensen

Bats: L	Age: 22	\$10							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0	Bid Price				
ML C-10	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	427	.290	.877	72	20	76	10/1	60/122
25	KCR	60	.300	.941	12	3	13	0/0	9/12
26	KCR	355	.244	.732	51	12	47		4

When the youngster was called up last September he impressed with his selectivity and contact skills as well as the power bat reputation that preceded him. He hit the ball hard, attacking pitches in the strike zone aggressively. That's a formula that might not be as effective as pitchers adjust, and doesn't track with his Triple-A profile last year, but even with more swing and miss he's going to get to his power. He might also see plenty of playing time, assuming Salvador Perez continues to limit the amount of time he spends behind the plate. But he's young and if he struggles defensively he could also end up back at Triple-A improving his defense, a reason to temper bidding enthusiasm. TM:KCR

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: A catcher-eligible DH? Yes, please! The rare catcher that offers both power and speed, he should benefit from the upcoming changes to Kauffman Stadium's fences, which could drive additional HR/FB rate and home run upside.

Player Name

Eloy Jimenez

\$1

Bats: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$26 23:\$21 24:\$16 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$13 23:\$14 24:\$1 25: Bid Price
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 CHW	456 .272 .762 50 18 64 0/0 30/93
24 - - -	324 .238 .626 25 6 23 3/0 22/70
25 AAA	190 .247 .673 17 3 30 1/0 22/37

Weak Triple-A in 2025, mostly with the Rays and finishing with the Blue Jays, he's now signed a minor league deal with the Blue Jays. He's no longer swinging as hard and is making more contact, but he's still brittle and what is a power hitter without power for? TM:TOR

Leo Jimenez

Bats: R	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:--\$1 25:
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-15 SS-1 3B-0 OF-0 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AA	352 .270 .774 62 8 47 8/2 41/68
24 TOR	179 .229 .686 18 4 19 0/0 12/59

Suffered from with diseases and injuries last year that were mysteriously "undisclosed," ending up with only 99 plate appearances. So far he strikes out too much at the major league level to look like the bat control expert with good defense he's looked like in the minors. If the bat can't play his fantasy value is pretty much nil, because his power is limited and he's not been a steals threat coming up. He is out of options and could end up with an extended look if the Jays don't want to lose him, and has the defensive chops to be of use. TM:TOR

Bryce Johnson

Bats: B	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:--\$4 25:\$1
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-52 DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	257 .280 .824 48 8 29 18/4 34/70
24 SDP	63 .206 .512 9 0 4 1/1 7/12
25 AAA	167 .269 .772 29 3 23 11/2 25/49
25 SDP	76 .342 .803 9 1 8 4/1 3/19
26 SDP	200 .231 .613 24 3 18 7

Over four years he's earned one year of major league service time, and despite last year's batting average explosion he has a .240 career batting average. He hit the ball harder last year, which made a difference, and his xBA of .297, if it carried over to more playing time, would be playable. But he had no walks against righties and a .485 BABIP, which is just freaky, even if only 49 PA. TM:SDP

Termarr Johnson

Bats: L	Age: 22
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AA	434 .272 .742 67 9 35 20/12 59/93

The No. 4 pick overall in 2022, he's limped up through the minors showing a little power and speed but not hitting the ball that hard and walking a fair amount. He was a little more aggressive last year in a full season at Double-A and walked and struck out less and posted a better batting average. Plus, even less power. He'll likely spend this year at Triple-A. TM:PIT

Troy Johnston

\$4

Bats: L	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 Bid Price
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	314 .252 .773 49 12 39 31/5 28/68
25 MIA	112 .277 .750 12 4 13 2/2 8/26
26 COL	261 .250 .690 32 7 31 7

Claimed by the Rockies from the Marlins in November, he's not slated for the Mile High starting lineup. He made his major league debut last year and didn't embarrass himself, but neither did he impress, but a hitter with a little power playing for the Rockies can't be dismissed easily. He stole a lot of bases in the minors last year and in preceding years, which makes him an intriguing if unlikely candidate for fantasy success this year. TM:COL

Drew Jones

Bats: R	Age: 22
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A	147 .238 .679 28 2 12 9/3 26/45
24 A	378 .275 .822 3 6 65 21/6 85/132
25 A+	478 .255 .694 77 5 56 28/4 56/127

He's not going to have major league value this year, but he's a fast and fine defender who made contact advances last year in High-A that shift his profile a little. He'll be tested in Double-A this year and if he passes should be on the radar for 2027. And he'll surely be in Cooperstown when his dad is inducted into the Hall of Fame this July. TM:ARI

Jahmai Jones

Bats: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:--\$7	22: 23: 24: 25:\$4
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-1 SS-0 3B-0 OF-28 DH-34
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	354 .268 .880 71 12 48 12/5 83/97
24 AAA	102 .304 .889 4 4 16 10/1 11/25
25 AAA	170 .276 .873 33 6 29 8/2 24/46
25 DET	129 .287 .937 21 7 23 2/0 18/32
26 DET	135 .246 .738 20 5 18 3

Was called up in early June by the Tigers after a strong start to the season in Triple-A and he did what he hadn't before in parts of four major league seasons: He produced! The Detroit team used him primarily as a DH or pinch-hitter against lefties. He saw only 28 plate appearances against righties. He demolished lefties with a .970 OPS and was not too bad against the righties, with a .797 OPS while striking out only 14.3 percent of the time. He only struck out 23 percent of the time versus lefties. The issue is that all his other major league appearances were so scant it's hard to judge if he made adjustments or just caught a hot streak. In any case his light use makes his fantasy value very limited unless the Tigers find a reason to use him more, in which case we'll find out. TM:DET

Nolan Jones

\$1

Bats: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$3 24:\$25 25:\$12 2026
YR/E 21:	22:--\$3 23:\$23 24:\$1 25:\$0 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-130 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 COL	367 .297 .934 60 20 62 20/4 53/126
24 COL	256 .227 .640 28 3 28 5/4 36/91
25 CLE	355 .211 .600 34 5 34 8/3 39/113

In his phenomenal 2023 season everything broke right for him, and since then everything

has been sort of normal for a guy who strikes out a lot. He hits the ball pretty hard but the results have been terrible and not in an overly unlucky way. Depending on his role he might be worth a small bet on draft day if he's on the strong side of a platoon. TM:CLE

Spencer Jones

\$1

Bats: L	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	438 .274 .932 102 35 80 29/6 58/179

He hit the homers last year the Yankees want to see from him, but a 33.7 percent strikeout rate in Double-A that went up to 36.6 percent when he was playing in Triple-A is not conducive to promotion to the majors. He's got a ton of power but the path forward for guys who strike out so much is tough even when they take walks and steal bases. But some, like Jo Adell last year, do adapt and maybe Jones can, too. He'll start this season in Triple-A almost surely and try to find a way to make fewer outs. It would be a mistake to write him off, but also a mistake to expect him to fix things this year. As a lottery ticket? Why not. TM:NY

Carlos Jorge

Bats: L	Age: 23
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 A+	406 .251 .694 66 6 37 40/7 52/87

In his second year in Double-A he cut his strikeout rate dramatically but he also cut his homer-hitting power. But his game is really all about his speed and he can run. He'll be stepping up to Double-A this year and will have to deal successfully with more challenging contact issues to eventually see Triple-A. Not a fantasy factor this year. TM:CIN

Dyan Jorge

Bats: R	Age: 22
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A	271 .306 .806 60 3 40 19/2 32/47
24 A+	483 .267 4 2 49 36/10 48/122
25 AA	398 .198 .518 40 2 30 18/9 38/90

Speedy shortstop prospect who may not stay on shortstop or may not hit enough to overcome defensive limitations. TM:COL

Aaron Judge

\$48

Bats: R	Age: 34
YR/C 21:\$25	22:\$30 23:\$43 24:\$40 25:\$47 2026
YR/E 21:\$30	22:\$55 23:\$22 24:\$55 25:\$53 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-95 DH-56
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 NYY	367 .267 1.026 79 37 75 3/1 88/130
24 NYY	559 .322 1.159 122 58 144 10/0 133/171
25 NYY	541 .331 1.144 137 53 114 12/5 124/160
26 NYY	540 .308 1.082 119 52 122 10

The problem with estimating Judge's future performance can be found in the list of other hitters since 1980 who hit 40 or more homers in both their 32nd and 33rd years: Sammy Sosa, Jim Thome, Manny Ramirez, Barry Bonds, and Jay Buhner. In their 34th year they hit 49, 42, 35, 37, and 15 homers respectively. Buhner was hurt in 1998, his 34th year, so let's leave him out of the mix. Bonds and Sosa were presumably juicers, Thome and Ramirez presumably not. All declined, as you would expect, but apart from Buhner's injury, not as

much as I expected. In any case, this is a small sample selected at least in part by PEDS use, but also by hitters having extraordinary seasons. Injuries are always a risk, Judge's post-season ended with an elbow injury that didn't require surgery, but if we assume health the very provisional lesson should be that he's not that risky a bet. See Ohtani's profile for some other pertinent thoughts. TM:NYN

ROTOROB PICK: What makes Judge so good (among other things) is how damn hard he hits the ball; no one made hard contact more often than he did last year (45.6 percent of the time). He may not have been quite as dominant in 2025 as he was in 2024, but are his Fantasy owners complaining? We think not.

Edouard Julien

\$1

Bats:	L	Age:	26
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$16 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$10	24:\$0 25:-\$3 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-26	2B-25	SS-1 3B-0 OF-0 DH-10
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIN	338	.263	.846 60 16 37 3/0 64/128
24 MIN	266	.199	.616 36 8 21 6/0 33/102
25 AAA	239	.276	.879 33 11 34 5/1 53/82
25 MIN	182	.220	.632 13 3 12 0/3 22/61
26 COL	140	.218	.653 17 4 13 2

Still young, but each year digging a bigger hole for himself to climb out of. He's out of options so he's likely to get another look, in Colorado after a trade, but between his passive tendencies at the bat and his defensive shortcomings in the field he's a tough one to fit in the long term. Maybe if he swung more he'd transform his game. TM:COL

Jace Jung

\$1

Bats:	L	Age:	26	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3 25:	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-19	OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 A+	486	.265	.881 74 28 82 5/1 79/139	
24 DET	79	.241	.665 14 0 3 0/1 15/29	
25 AAA	412	.252	.816 69 17 74 4/4 78/125	

Over the past two years he has 149 major league plate appearances and more than 900 in Triple-A. He's hit no major league homers and 31 in the minors, which may be why the Tigers haven't given him an extended look. But it feels like it's too soon to declare him Quad-A, though maybe he is. In his first big league stint, however, he was playing with a painful wrist, and his power outage early last year came after offseason wrist surgery addressed the issue. He said he felt great, but he was coming off a weak spring training and could understandably lack confidence at that point. He's not going to hit for a big average but he has legitimate power if he gets another chance, though it should be noted that his defensive limitations are another reason to be pessimistic about him getting an extended chance. TM:DET

DAVE ADLER PICK: Consider him a lottery ticket in the end-game of deep leagues. Stunk it up in the majors but has exhibited power and an acceptable BA at AAA. Sometimes, it just takes time to click at the top level.

Josh Jung

\$11

Bats:	R	Age:	28	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$11	24:\$15 25:\$14 2026	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:\$17	24:\$3 25:\$11 Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0 3B-126	OF-0 DH-5
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 TEX	478	.266	.785 75 23 70 1/3 30/151	
24 TEX	178	.264	.719 19 7 16 4/0 8/48	
25 TEX	482	.251	.684 53 14 61 4/1 27/129	
26 TEX	521	.251	.696 61 18 65 5	

Off to an okay start to last season he landed in a terrible slump in June and was optioned at the start of July. After he returned he got hot again, as if his minor league reset helped him, but he finished the season on another cold streak. Some of the variation can be attributed to bad BABIP luck and some to hitting more grounders than he did in 2023, leading to fewer barrels and fewer homers. He's not a guy who controls the zone by taking walks and he swings and misses a fair amount, which is not the profile of a good hitter, but he is strong and short to the ball so maybe he can make this work. But not likely at the level anticipated of him when he was a prospect. TM:TEX

Kyle Karros

Bats:	R	Age:	24	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25 AAA	269	.301	.873 52 6 26 7/0 40/58	
25 COL	137	.226	.585 20 1 9 0/0 15/41	
26 COL	219	.245	.669 28 5 24 2	

Slick-fielding third baseman had only 68 Triple-A plate appearances before the Rockies called him up last year and it showed. He was patient and drew walks, but he also was passive and took a fair number of called strikes. When he swung he made enough contact, but nearly half his balls were hit on the ground. In other words, he was easy to pitch to. A small bid in the endgame will buy you a bet that he'll match his minor league profile of okay contact and modest power with a fair number of walks. TM:COL

Niko Kavadas

Bats:	L	Age:	28	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$4	25:
ML C-0	1B-10	2B-0	SS-0 3B-0	OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
24 AAA	317	.264	.931 10 19 67 0/1 62/130	
24 LAA	93	.183	.616 11 4 8 1/0 11/41	
25 AAA	434	.235	.842 76 28 84 1/1 75/163	

TM:LAA

C.J. Kayfus

\$7

Bats:	L	Age:	25		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
25 AAA	317	.300	.930 51 14 54 4/2 44/93		
25 CLE	123	.220	.704 16 4 19 4/0 11/38		
26 CLE	375	.228	.678 49 12 47 6		

His best tool, his ability to hit the ball, didn't shine after he was called up by the Guardians last August. He struggled particularly against lefties, with a .608 OPS (in just 22 plate appearances), but he didn't crush righties either (.726 OPS against). Despite a 25.6 percent line drive rate hits didn't fall, partly because he hit them where they were. Statcast estimates his xBA to be

.245, about league average. He has shown moderate power in the minors, but hit the ball harder in Triple-A last year, perhaps a sign of tentativeness while adjusting to the big leagues. He'll get another shot this year and with better power could find himself hitting higher in the lineup. That's called upside potential. TM:CLE

Luke Keaschall

\$17

Bats:	R	Age:	24		
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-41	SS-0 3B-0	OF-0 DH-8	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
25 MIN	182	.302	.827 25 4 28 14/3 19/29		
26 MIN	493	.266	.732 69 12 61 24		

He was off to a blistering hot start when he was plunked on the forearm in mid April and didn't return from the fracture until August. And he did nothing but hit after he returned, at least until he broke a finger sliding into second on a steal attempt in the season's last week. He's expected to be fine for spring training, so the question is just how good is he? He's an aggressive hitter with decent speed who puts the ball in play not particularly hard, favoring contact over power, using the whole field but hitting more to the pull side. His expected numbers suggest he was lucky last year, his xBA was .266, and his contact rate of 83 percent aligns with that judgement. One curiosity is that he struggled against lefties and smacked righties around. It would be easy to attribute this to the small sample, but in 2024 in Triple-A he also hit righties more than lefties, though he was much more successful against lefties that year. For a young player past performance isn't destiny so it would be a mistake not to trust one's eyes at least a little, which suggests to me that he is going to be a better hitter than expected, but enthusiasm should be tempered. Solid performance is more likely than standout. TM:MIN

Colt Keith

\$14

Bats:	L	Age:	25	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$11 25:\$14 2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$14 25:\$10 Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-18	2B-26	SS-0 3B-37	OF-0 DH-52
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 AA	507	.306	.942 88 27 101 3/2 60/121	
24 DET	516	.260	.689 54 13 61 7/1 36/110	
25 DET	414	.256	.746 65 13 45 1/1 48/102	
26 DET	422	.258	.728 57 13 50 3	

He lacks a defensive home and he has struggled against lefties, which is a problem because he hasn't yet been that strong against righties and it costs him at bats. He hit the ball harder last year which earned him somewhat better results and upped his barrel rate, but he also struck out a bit more, which is the price to be paid. From a fantasy perspective he doesn't profile as a home run hitter and while he has above average speed he's never been a base stealer. That's uninspiring for roto, but he's still young and the Tigers were contractually obligated to promote him to the majors before the 2024 season, even though he had just 301 Triple-A plate appearances. Revel in his second and third base eligibilities and hope that he's developed more power since last season. TM:DET

Player Name

Jarred Kelenic

Bats:	L	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:\$16	23:\$9	24:\$9	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$6	23:\$10	24:\$7	25:\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-23	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SEA	372	.253	.751	44	11	49	13/5	41/132
24 ATL	412	.231	.678	49	15	45	7/2	32/133
25 AAA	362	.213	.595	40	4	29	11/8	36/110
26 ATL	60	.167	.531	7	2	2	0/1	5/23
26 CHW	134	.223	.659	16	5	15	2	

He signed a minor league deal with the White Sox, where he might get another chance. For a can't-miss prospect he's sure missed. He has to cut his strikeouts or up his homers to be worth draft day consideration. TM:CHW

Carson Kelly

Bats:	R	Age:	32					
YR/C 21:\$7	22:\$9	23:\$3	24:\$1	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$1	23:\$4	24:\$4	25:\$10	Bid Price			
ML C-1051B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ---	136	.206	.572	13	2	13	1/0	14/40
24 ---	281	.238	.687	32	9	37	0/0	25/55
25 CHC	369	.249	.761	48	17	50	2/0	45/80
26 CHC	337	.237	.695	41	12	43	2	

He's a solid defensive catcher who walks enough that when he's hitting .230 he's not going to hurt an only-league team. Last year he stayed healthy and after a blistering start had the best offensive year of his career, though it also looked a lot like a pretty typical Kelly year, only with more playing time. If you believe in second halves carrying over, which they sometimes do, stay away. Kelly's numbers after the break were awful, and even if you're an optimist it would be a mistake to expect a repeat because catchers get hurt and nurse injuries that affect their bats so long as they can catch. Possibly. TM:CHC

Otto Kemp

Bats:	R	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2				
ML C-0	1B-17	2B-2	SS-0	3B-31	OF-11	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	442	.285	.890	29	16	66	20/9	52/112
25 AAA	284	.310	.987	64	16	67	13/2	36/84
25 PHI	197	.234	.709	26	8	28	2/2	12/67
26 PHI	176	.234	.676	23	6	23	3	

He had offseason surgeries on his knee and his shoulder but is expected to be ready for spring training. If he is he has a tough road to relevance this year on the field, where his hitting approach fell apart at the major league level and his defense was mostly suspect. He is versatile and had better plate discipline in Triple-A last year so maybe it's a matter of adjustment, but there's a good chance there will be better utility players available this spring. TM:PHI

Max Kepler

Bats:	L	Age:	33					
YR/C 21:\$17	22:\$12	23:\$6	24:\$11	25:\$6				
YR/E 21:\$9	22:\$8	23:\$16	24:\$7	25:\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-125	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIN	438	.260	.824	72	24	66	1/1	45/106
24 MIN	368	.253	.681	43	8	42	1/0	22/80
25 PHI	417	.216	.690	58	18	52	3/0	48/93
26 ---	138	.234	.687	18	5	17	1	

Suspended in January for half the season because he failed a PEDs test, the free agent outfielder is going to be betwixt and between
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legally and socially heading into the season. He hits righties enough he'll probably land a job come July but has no fantasy value until he does. TM:---

Ha-seong Kim

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	22:\$5	23:\$11	24:\$21	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$16	23:\$24	24:\$11	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-43	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SDP	538	.260	.754	84	17	60	38/9	75/124
24 SDP	403	.233	.697	60	11	47	22/5	58/77
25 ---	171	.234	.649	19	5	17	6/2	16/39
26 ATL	331	.238	.685	45	9	37	15	

You'll find his profile after this news break. He fell on the ice in January and tore a tendon in his middle finger, which required surgery and will keep him out of action until June. Supposedly, I leave the rest of the comment for context, but he's not a target for 2026. After October 2024 shoulder surgery he didn't return until midseason and never really got going because of a series of other smaller injuries. He finished the year in Atlanta on a waiver claim by the Braves at the start of September. He's historically been a disciplined contact hitter with a little power and good base stealing skills, valued for his solid defensive skills in the middle of the infield. He's also been much better against lefties than righties, though strong enough without the platoon advantage to not be benched because of his defense. TM:ATL

Hyeseong Kim

Bats:	L	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-45	SS-11	3B-0	OF-17	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 NPB	502	.326	.840	90	11	75	30/6	47/62
25 AAA	149	.268	.788	27	5	22	14/1	13/42
25 LAD	161	.280	.697	19	3	17	13/1	7/52
26 LAD	103	.248	.656	13	2	11	5	

He began the year in the minors working on his swing and was recalled in early May. He got off to a quick start getting infrequent at bats while playing mostly second base with other appearances at shortstop and in centerfield. In Korea Kim was a patient hitter who didn't strike out much, but he struggled in the states with strikeouts and he hardly walked at all. He also didn't hit the ball hard, though more than half the time he hit it on the ground leading to a good batting average. The Dodgers played him mostly against righties, though in limited at bats he was more successful against lefties. Unless he plays regularly he's not a factor in mixed leagues, but with his ability to spray the ball on the ground he should be good for a decent batting average and plenty of stolen bases the more he gets to play. TM:LAD

Isiah Kiner-Falefa

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$11	23:\$2	24:\$4	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:\$25	22:\$19	23:\$6	24:\$13	25:\$10	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-95	3B-32	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	326	.242	.654	39	6	37	14/5	28/70
24 ---	465	.269	.681	53	8	43	11/2	16/78
25 ---	431	.262	.628	45	2	40	15/4	17/77
26 ---	305	.254	.625	34	4	28	9	

He's built a nice career on good contact skills, speed, and deft defense, but last year he slowed down and had a mediocre year defensively. He still made good contact and could probably help a major league team as a utilityman, but he's also likely to see fewer at bats, which makes him a tougher fantasy fit even in deep leagues. That's a reason to look for a good discount off his recent performances. TM:---

Alejandro Kirk

Bats:	R	Age:	28					
YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$8	23:\$20	24:\$9	25:\$7	2026			
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$19	23:\$4	24:\$5	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-1181B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-7			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TOR	372	.250	.696	34	8	43	0/0	42/45
24 TOR	340	.253	.677	23	5	54	0/0	35/51
25 TOR	451	.282	.769	45	15	76	1/0	48/59
26 TOR	432	.270	.748	49	14	64	1	

As a prospect he was considered a good hitter with some power potential and a weak catcher who might develop. He demonstrated the hit tool in 2022 but then settled into more limited play while developing his defensive skills. Last year we got the whole mature product, a good hitter with some power and first-rate defensive chops even if his isn't the strongest arm. Apart from the standard disclaimers about catchers, dings and knocks and overall health, Kirk should have solid batting averages going forward despite his utter lack of speed. And he hits the ball hard enough that in a good year or with a little more pull he'll up that homer total. TM:TOR

Heston Kjerstad

Bats:	L	Age:	27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$7	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$4	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-51	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	479	.303	.908	87	21	55	5/4	42/100
24 BAL	99	.253	.745	8	4	14	1/0	10/33
25 AAA	101	.149	.471	7	2	6	0/1	10/30
25 BAL	156	.192	.566	16	4	19	1/0	6/45

For a supposed pure hitter he expands the zone a lot, but he hasn't really looked like the pure hitter in the majors he was touted to be when he was drafted No. 2 overall in 2020. Of course, he suffered from a heart ailment that dogged him and he didn't get started playing again until 2022. His last season ended in July with him being treated for fatigue, maybe a recurrence of the heart problem, but he's expected to be healthy for spring training. His bum performance last year can be written off, for now, but he still has a lot to prove and lacks and obvious way for the at bats to be there. TM:BAL

Andrew Knizner

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$2	23:\$3	24:\$6	25:\$4				
ML C-32	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 STL	224	.241	.715	30	10	31	2/0	12/62
24 TEX	90	.167	.394	5	1	9	0/0	1/22
25 SFG	77	.221	.594	12	1	5	0/0	7/10
26 SEA	104	.207	.560	11	2	10	1	

Backing up Cal Raleigh is generally not a strenuous job. TM:SEA

Ryan Kreidler

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E	21:	22:-\$6	23:	24:-\$5	25:			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-17	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A	.222	.225	.779	40	12	51	12/4 37/73
24	DET	.59	.119	.369	9	1	2	5/3 6/19
25	AAA	.332	.238	.750	46	5	38	18/9 58/109

TM:MIN

Nick Kurtz

Bats: L Age: 23 **\$27**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$28	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-112	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-5		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AA	.38	.368	1.283	0	4	13	1/0 12/10
25	ATH	.420	.290	1.001	90	36	86	2/1 63/151
26	ATH	.532	.269	.907	98	39	98	4

In the last 20 years 11 rookies have hit 30 or more homers and only two struck out more than 30 percent of the time, as Kurtz did last year. Adolis Garcia, who did it in 2021, should be a cautionary example, while Aaron Judge, who did it in 2017, is not. It turns out that Judge is the only one of the 11 to walk as much as Kurtz did last year, so there's that as well. Not to say that Kurtz is the next coming of Judge, but he has more in common with Judge than he does with Garcia. Kurtz hits the ball hard, he hits a lot of barrels, and he walks a lot against righties. He struggled against lefties last year, posting an OPS of .685, which is not good for a DH. He also feasted on the ballpark in Sacramento, hitting 22 of his homers there, which won't be a problem this year because the A's are playing their home games there again, but Statcast says his xHR total was 31, nice but not quite as gaudy. Speaking of platoon splits, since 2005 111 hitters with 300 or more plate appearances against righty pitchers have had an OPS of 1.000 or higher. Kurtz's season ranks ninth, the highest by a rookie during that span. Only Jim Thome, among that group had an OPS against lefties of less than .750. Thome's was .715. Baseball Reference hasn't posted a similarity comp for Kurtz yet, but Thome seems like a good start, though he didn't hit 30 homers in a season until he was 26 years old. TM:ATH

PHIL HERTZ PICK: At worst, he's Judge-lite, but there's room for growth after that monster rookie season, especially if he makes even a bit of improvement versus lefties.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: All the indicators are going to sing for him, but if you always faded the biggest ADP leapers year-over-year, you wouldn't have many regrets.

Steven Kwan

Bats: L Age: 29 **\$18**

YR/C	21:	22:\$5	23:\$14	24:\$17	25:\$21	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:\$32	23:\$19	24:\$22	25:\$22	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-152	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CLE	.638	.268	.718	93	5	54	21/3 70/75
24	CLE	.480	.292	.792	83	14	44	12/5 53/51
25	CLE	.625	.272	.703	81	11	56	21/5 55/60
26	CLE	.593	.275	.718	84	10	55	18

His forte is putting the ball in play and running as fast as he can, which played well when he came up in 2022 because he had Top Quintile sprint speed, but the last two years he's

measured as below average in that metric. And the last two years he's hit more homers while running just about as much as before. At this point his profile can be considered reliable, especially with a season of nearly 700 plate appearances just behind him. Don't expect any surprises. TM:CLE

Shea Langeliers

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$20**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$6	24:\$7	25:\$16	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:-\$3	23:\$4	24:\$13	25:\$24	Bid Price		
ML C-1081B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-16			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	.448	.205	.684	52	22	63	3/2 34/143
24	OAK	.482	.224	.739	58	29	80	4/2 41/145
25	ATH	.481	.277	.861	73	31	72	7/1 36/103
26	ATH	.476	.251	.788	67	28	75	6

So far he's improved each year, a little, and improved his contact while hitting with more power. He's done this by being a little more aggressive and no one should scoff at the results, but you have to wonder how much further he can go. Not that there's anything wrong with his production last season. He was much better last year against lefties than righties, a big platoon split, but against righties his OPS was .803, which is just fine for anyone, much less a competent defensive catcher. His homer total was apparently affected by playing in Sacramento, his xHR total was 24.4, but he'll be playing in Sacramento again this year, so why worry? TM:ATH

ALEX PATTON PICK: Better than Cal Raleigh in the second half

Wyatt Langford

Bats: R Age: 25 **\$24**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$18	25:\$28	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$19	25:\$17	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-133	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	A+	.161	.360	1.162	36	10	30	12/3 36/34
24	TEX	.499	.253	.740	74	16	74	19/3 51/115
25	TEX	.489	.241	.775	73	22	62	22/6 74/151
26	TEX	.560	.250	.769	86	24	78	22

He missed the start of spring training with an oblique injury, spent time on the IL in April and June/July, and his season ended in mid-September with an oblique strain. The young outfielder has a ton of potential and when he was healthy he was more aggressive last year, hitting the ball harder and higher, leading to a bump in homers. But he also struck out quite a bit more, which isn't a problem so far but could become one if the trend continues. He was still very selective, so there's a chance he'll make more hard contact going forward, which could turn him into a dangerous power-speed threat. He's going to have to stay healthy but a breakout this year is a distinct possibility. TM:TEX

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: A lot of skill improvements, especially in batted-ball trajectory and in Statcast quality-of-contact metrics, supporting increased HR/650 (19 in 2024, 25 in 2025). But K% also jumped six points; still only 26%, but something to watch. 22-22-.241 in 2025 seems repeatable, and 25-25-.250 is within reach.

ALEX PATTON PAN: He'll be good not great, which means he again falls short of expectations.

Trevor Larnach

Bats: L Age: 29 **\$9**

YR/C	21:	22:\$3	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:\$9	2026		
YR/E	21:\$1	22:-\$1	23:\$0	24:\$12	25:\$12	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-60	DH-81		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	MIN	.183	.213	.736	26	8	40	1/1 27/72
24	MIN	.355	.259	.771	59	15	52	4/1 40/89
25	MIN	.503	.250	.726	62	17	60	4/4 53/122
26	MIN	.378	.248	.727	51	14	50	4

He played more against lefties last year, not really a good thing because he had only a .608 OPS against them, but that was an improvement over his previous performance. He even cut his strikeout rate to only 25.4 percent down from 30.4 percent the year before. Hitting against righties the last two years he's cut his strikeout rate to about 21 percent, walking 10 percent with okay power. That's not a transformative fantasy profile but playable in AL only leagues at his price, but with little apparent upside. TM:MIN

Ramon Laureano

Bats: R Age: 32 **\$14**

YR/C	21:\$20	22:\$13	23:\$14	24:\$4	25:\$2	2026		
YR/E	21:\$11	22:\$6	23:\$4	24:\$8	25:\$23	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-120	DH-9		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	---	.361	.224	.678	46	9	35	12/1 33/114
24	---	.286	.259	.748	35	11	33	8/3 15/96
25	---	.441	.281	.855	72	24	76	7/4 35/119
26	SDP	.506	.253	.743	70	22	72	10

After a productive and promising first full season back in 2019 he's struggled with injuries and erratic play and a PEDS suspension in 2021 that carried over to the next season. Laureano had his injuries last season, too, hitting the IL in May while with the Orioles with an ankle sprain and ending his season early after fracturing a finger while with the Padres. But when he was on the field he hit the ball harder than ever before and posted his first positive batting average since the 2019 season. Given his erratic history it would be unwise to expect a repeat, but if he again hits the ball as hard this year he very well might. TM:SDP

DAVE ADLER PICK: Hasn't piled up big AB totals, due either to injuries or lack of a full-time role. Nice boost in contact skills and power last year; if he plays full time, it could be a breakout season.

Jordan Lawlar

Bats: R Age: 24 **\$4**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$2	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$5	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-1	3B-12	OF-0	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AA	.417	.278	.882	95	20	67	36/5 56/101
24	AAA	.85	.318	.919	2	2	20	6/2 14/23
25	AAA	.259	.313	.964	52	11	50	20/3 36/70
25	ARI	.66	.182	.545	9	0	5	2/0 6/26
26	ARI	.107	.236	.668	14	3	12	4

It seems a long time ago that Lawlar was fast-tracked to the major leagues, even appearing in the 2023 postseason for Arizona. The next year he tore a ligament in his thumb during camp and after being activated in June soon pulled a hammy and missed more time. While there have been doubts about his ability to hit in the majors if he would only stay healthy, a hot streak last September got the D-Backs looking to convert him

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into a centerfielder during his time in the Dominican Winter League, though he didn't hit while there. Lawlar's fortunes are tied to his defensive positioning, but if he doesn't hit big league pitching none of that will make much difference. TM:ARI

Brooks Lee

Bats: B Age: 25 **\$8**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$8	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-37	SS-77	3B-43	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	501	.275	.817	83	16	84	7/4	56/91
24 MIN	172	.221	.585	9	3	27	3/0	11/27
25 MIN	487	.236	.654	50	16	64	3/1	31/92
26 MIN	553	.240	.658	58	16	70		5

His xBA and xSLG aligned with his performance last year, but he made enough contact swinging a little hard to think that there might be better outcomes in his future. His Statcast percentile chart is full of blue and begs to differ and he's not the athletic sort who can turn on the burners and outrun his skills, so Statcast might be right. Still, aggressive hitters who put the ball in play aren't all speed demons and can find holes in the defense. This isn't an argument that he will get better, his limitations are real, but there is a chance he'll overcome at least some of them. TM:MIN

Hao-Yu Lee

Bats: R Age: 23

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	497	.243	.748	81	14	61	22/5	65/121

Lack of defensive acuity makes it hard to see Lee fitting on the Tigers roster, but he has a nice powerful stroke and has been stealing bases in the minors. That's good for fantasy, but if the team doesn't trust him in the field it isn't going to work out. TM:DET

Korey Lee

Bats: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$9	24:\$2	25:				
ML C-16	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHW	65	.077	.281	4	1	3	0/0	5/20
24 CHW	377	.210	.591	36	12	37	6/3	17/122
25 AAA	220	.255	.717	34	8	28	5/0	17/55

TM:CHW

DJ LeMahieu

Bats: R Age: 38

YR/C 21:\$30	22:\$18	23:\$12	24:\$5	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:\$20	22:\$16	23:\$7	24:-\$3	25:-\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-45	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	497	.243	.721	55	15	44	2/2	60/125
24 NYY	201	.204	.526	19	2	26	0/1	19/35
25 NYY	128	.266	.674	13	2	12	0/0	14/35
26 ---	106	.231	.614	11	2	12		1

He didn't sign elsewhere after the Yankees released him in July. TM:---

Royce Lewis

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$13**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$24	25:\$16	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$14	24:\$6	25:\$8	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-99	OF-0	DH-7		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIN	217	.309	.921	36	15	52	6/1	20/55
24 MIN	292	.233	.747	40	16	47	0/0	28/74
25 MIN	376	.237	.671	36	13	52	12/2	25/80
26 MIN	517	.244	.720	64	22	74		11

It was a typical Royce Lewis season, though
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last year he didn't even make it to opening day before landing on the IL. He returned in early May and didn't hit the IL again until mid June! Both IL stints due to hamstring strains after missing time in 2024 with a quad strain. Talent is half the story for the former No. 1 overall pick (2017) while the other half is a Buxtonesque level of injuries. The concern last year was that when he played he was not a standout, though fantasy players should note the uptick in stolen bases. Bidding on Lewis is a game of chicken. Any bid could potentially earn a profit, but as we've seen in recent years actual bids have been losers. Take a shot and hope your leather jacket doesn't get caught on the window handle of your speeding car headed for a cliff. TM:MIN

Daylen Lee

Bats: L Age: 24 **\$12**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	195	.328	.878	35	4	29	12/3	14/33
25 WSN	321	.299	.843	51	9	41	8/6	21/56
26 WSN	505	.271	.744	71	12	60		13

The contact hitting outfielder wasn't especially touted heading into last season, but the Nationals called him up last May when Jacob Young and Dylan Crews were on the IL and then again in June when they demoted Robert Hassell. He started slowly but gradually worked his way into regular play against righties and finished the season strongly, with a 1.212 OPS and six homers in September. Despite the power surge he's more of a slash and run type of hitter who puts good wood on the ball and uses his speed to pressure defenses, leading to plenty of triples (he tied for fourth in the majors despite his limited at bats). Statcast says his xBA was higher than the .299 actual average he put up, despite a high BABIP, and it's hard to see this package of strikezone and bat control married to propulsive legs slumping. Against righties, anyway, though he may be held back by more than lefties because of his rough defensive work. TM:WSN

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Overshadowed as a prospect by Dylan Crews and James Wood, but even with just three weeks at Triple-A, he was a solid contributor once recalled. 20-20 season is a definite possibility.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Is a speedster with a nice 80% CT rate and ability to get on base. I think he will exceed 25 steals, hit for average and score runs at a discount.

ALEX PATTON PAN: His minor league track record for stolen bases is just so-so. The defensive metrics are brutal. He's certainly worth a small bet but that won't be enough.

Francisco Lindor

Bats: B Age: 33 **\$32**

YR/C 21:\$32	22:\$24	23:\$29	24:\$30	25:\$33	2026			
YR/E 21:\$13	22:\$33	23:\$30	24:\$36	25:\$34	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-1583B-0	OF-0	DH-2			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYM	602	.254	.817	108	31	98	31/4	66/137
24 NYM	618	.273	.844	107	33	91	29/4	56/127
25 NYM	644	.267	.811	117	31	86	31/6	65/131
26 NYM	607	.263	.785	100	29	85		27

After his disastrous arrival in NYC in

2021, Lindor has bounced back to be the consistently excellent center of a team with aspirations he was expected to be, even if the team's aspirations have not met with success. That makes him a highly sought after and oh so expensive player for a fantasy team to add. His consistency and his production last year, despite elbow issues that led to October surgery, are confidence inspiring, but this is his second surgery on this elbow in two years and, perhaps needless to say, he's not getting any younger. That's no guarantee that he'll run less this year, he's continued to be successful in recent years, but the possibility should be factored in. TM:NYM

Trey Lipscomb

Bats: R Age: 26 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-1	3B-1	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	240	.283	.738	1	4	35	8/5	22/50
24 WSN	190	.200	.497	20	1	10	11/2	16/40
25 AAA	449	.249	.697	53	11	65	12/6	35/95

TM:WSN

Thayron Liranzo

Bats: B Age: 22

MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 A+	353	.244	.786	1	12	50	1/0	75/102
25 AA	339	.206	.658	49	11	45	0/0	47/125

Promoted to Double-A last year at a young age, he struck out a lot and showed a little of the switch-hitting power that has him listed as a top prospect despite poor defensive skills. Keep an eye on him but he's probably a target for 2027 more than this year. TM:DET

Tyler Locklear

Bats: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4				
ML C-0	1B-30	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	423	.272	.858	16	16	67	9/1	62/125
25 AAA	373	.316	.942	70	19	82	18/6	47/95
25 ARI	103	.175	.529	11	3	6	3/1	10/43
25 ARI	274	.220	.641	33	9	32		6

Had elbow and shoulder surgery and will miss the start of the season, with his expected return early in June. In 165 major league plate appearances so far he's struck out 38.2 percent of the time with little power. TM:ARI

Brandon Lockridge

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-61	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	340	.306	.807	3	2	45	46/6	57/92
25 AAA	136	.316	.849	31	2	13	11/0	21/28
25 ---	134	.231	.569	17	0	11	10/1	8/36

He showed his speed last season with the Padres and the Brewers, but his other plus quality is his defense. With the bat he hit the ball only slightly hard and very much mostly on the ground. He gets to his contact by swinging aggressively and he doesn't walk much, which has led to good batting averages in the minors but hasn't in his brief time in the majors so far. If he gets to play he'll run, that's his best thing, but he's at an age when it's hard and harder to get fresh opportunities. TM:MIL

Nick Loftin

Bats: R	Age: 27								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:-\$3					
ML C-0	1B-5	2B-16	SS-0	3B-14	OF-38	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	KCR	62	.323	.818	10	0	10	2/0	4/12
24	KCR	148	.189	.517	15	1	14	1/0	19/24
25	AAA	152	.303	.907	30	4	24	12/1	39/24
25	KCR	168	.208	.634	17	4	20	1/1	14/27

Bounced up and down between KC and Triple-A as a utilityman for the Royals. He hasn't been much of a hitter in these stints the last two years, plagued by bad BABIPs that may reflect his soft hitting in 2024 and not his more robust striking of the ball last year. He hasn't run much even when he's getting on base in the minors, capping his fantasy value if he lands a bigger job. TM:KCR

George Lombard Jr.

Bats: R	Age: 21								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	473	.235	.748	90	9	49	35/8	87/146

The Yankee hype machine is all in on Lombard, but he struggled last year in Double-A with a .695 OPS. He's fantasy friendly because of his steals, and may well develop into as fine a player with good power as the Yanks expect, but he's not there yet. He had been young at each level coming up and plenty patient at the plate, but he's also shown a lot of swing and miss and that is going to have to be addressed. TM:NY

Jonathon Long

Bats: R	Age: 24								
ML C-	1B-1B	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	514	.305	.882	86	20	91	2/0	79/116

Triple-A plate discipline and reasonable contact for a power-hitting first baseman in Triple-A last year demonstrates progress and a developing hitting skill. Or the wisdom of getting older and more experienced. He's got a long swing and hits the ball hard when he gets to it, but has often been late. He'll likely see the majors this year but the odds of him continuing to make good contact at that level are lengthy. TM:CHC

Joey Loperfido

Bats: L	Age: 27								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$2					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-37	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	162	.272	.944	4	13	33	9/1	21/53
24	-	243	.214	.613	24	4	25	4/2	13/95
25	AAA	329	.264	.739	46	7	44	11/1	29/80
25	TOR	96	.333	.875	12	4	14	1/2	4/27

He got his strikeout rate down last year in Triple-A but lost his power stroke along the way. His power-speed combo was his calling card after an excellent stint in Double-A in 2023, but he's been slow to adopt to the higher levels. His good speed is a reason to keep an eye on him if he ends up with a regular role this year, but the Blue Jays crowded roster is not a likely landing place. TM:TOR

Nicky Lopez

Bats: L	Age: 31								
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$14	23:\$2	24:\$1	25:\$1					
YR/E 21:\$26	22:\$6	23:\$0	24:\$2	25:					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-3	3B-14	OF-1	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	-	225	.231	.631	32	1	25	6/2	26/40
24	CHW	398	.241	.602	40	1	21	5/7	37/67
25	AAA	258	.267	.685	38	0	20	7/4	33/37

TM:COL

Otto Lopez

Bats: R	Age: 28	\$12							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$8	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$14	25:\$15	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-32	SS-1113	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AAA	318	.258	.658	48	2	35	13/4	23/55
24	MIA	403	.270	.688	49	6	39	20/4	25/75
25	MIA	544	.246	.672	66	15	77	15/6	44/82
26	MIA	557	.263	.695	69	12	66	19	

He's not a power hitter and has the ISO to prove it, but as a ground ball hitter with decent bat control he consistently pulled the ball on the ground when he could. And when he couldn't he sprayed the whole field with flies. Thirty three of them were Barrels and a little less than half of those cleared the fence. He's far from a star but he hits enough to keep his excellent glove on the field, with enough pop and stolen base acumen to help a fantasy team that doesn't expect too much. TM:MIA
PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Lopez is the opposite of Willi Castro: Five-cat floor like 15-15-.250, with 140-ish R+RBI. Disciplined contact-first approach (90th percentile Statcast Squared-Up% and K%, 81st percentile walk rate), and he might develop a bit more pop. Upside 20-20-.260, maybe 155 R+RBI. And 2B/SS eligibility.

Brandon Lowe

Bats: L	Age: 32	\$15							
YR/C 21:\$24	22:\$25	23:\$20	24:\$13	25:\$14	2026				
YR/E 21:\$23	22:\$3	23:\$10	24:\$13	25:\$21	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-121	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-9			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TBR	377	.231	.778	58	21	68	7/0	50/119
24	TBR	385	.244	.783	56	21	58	5/1	33/112
25	TBR	507	.256	.785	79	31	83	3/2	38/149
26	PIT	511	.245	.754	73	26	77	5	

He had his first season with 500+ plate appearances since his career year in 2021, but missed much of July with a strained side and plantar fasciitis. He did most of his damage against righties, posting a .548 OPS against lefties. That could cost him playing time going forward, but his strength against righties is valuable for fantasy as well as real baseball. The Pirates may be looking at him as a platoonist, or should be, and betting on another 500+ PA season is risky given his injury history. TM:PIT

Josh Lowe

Bats: L	Age: 28	\$11							
YR/C 21:	22:\$9	23:\$3	24:\$24	25:\$19	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:\$30	24:\$10	25:\$7	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-103	DH-4			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TBR	466	.292	.841	71	20	83	32/3	31/124
24	TBR	353	.241	.693	37	10	34	25/1	32/123
25	TBR	396	.220	.649	56	11	40	18/4	33/109
26	LAA	445	.239	.692	58	14	51	23	

He strained his oblique on opening day and missed six weeks. This wouldn't be

concerning except that injuries in 2024 also caused him to miss the first six weeks of the season, and then an oblique injury caused him to miss even more time. When he was on the field he was below average in every Statcast category except speed, where he's declined three years in a row, and bat speed, where he's also declining. And unlike 2024, during which he got healthy and had a decent second half, last year he struggled to a .583 OPS after the All Star break, though he also missed some times with further oblique issues. Given his injury history and less than impressive skills recently he should come at a steep discount, with hopes that if he can stay healthy he can regain some of the hard hitting strike zone control he showed earlier in his career. TM:LAA

ALEX PATTON PAN: Did the Angels notice he hit .165 against lefties and .195 in the second half? That he was in the 28th percentile in Avg Exit Velo, the 7th percentile in Chase %, the 5th percentile in Squared Up %? That his Bat Speed (despite what you think you see) is only in the 55th percentile? That his Sprint Speed is now in the 67th percentile? That his Outs Above Average were four runs below average? That his OPS+ last year was 87? I'm sure they did. And what appealed to them was that the Rays were willing to trade him for a bag of beans.

Nathaniel Lowe

Bats: L	Age: 31	\$8							
YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$16	23:\$21	24:\$15	25:\$15	2026				
YR/E 21:\$20	22:\$34	23:\$17	24:\$16	25:\$9	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-146	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-5			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	TEX	623	.262	.779	89	17	82	1/0	93/165
24	TEX	486	.265	.762	62	16	69	2/0	71/125
25	-	540	.228	.689	64	18	84	1/0	62/159
26	-	324	.246	.718	41	10	45	1	

After a miserable four months with the Nationals he was released and signed with the Red Sox, where he came back to life during their playoff drive. He struggled against lefties last year, a big part of why he had an off season, but was fine against them in 2024. His resurgence late in the season is a sign he might be back, but at his best he's a defensively weak first baseman with modest power and a knack for taking a walk, so he can be useful to a fantasy team if he plays, but he's vulnerable to replacement at this stage of his career. Or reduced to platooning. TM:---

Marco Luciano

Bats: R	Age: 25								
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$4	25:					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AA	269	.223	.789	42	15	40	6/0	46/100
24	SFG	76	.211	.562	10	0	3	0/1	5/28
25	AAA	462	.214	.749	76	23	66	10/3	85/170

Once upon a time he was a top prospect, but once he reached Double-A he encountered contact issues he hasn't been able to shake. He swings hard and is very patient and willing to draw walks, but swings and misses too much at balls in the zone. He's still young, he might figure out a way to "power through" that low contact rate, Eric Longenhagen has said,

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Teoscar Hernandez and Brent Rooker did in their late-blooming late 20s. But those are the exception. There is no reason to board the Luciano train until it's in the station. TM:

Matthew Lugo

Bats: R	Age: 25
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$2	
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25 AAA 424 .262 .762 63 13 60 11/7 32/136	
25 LAA 69 .232 .707 9 4 9 0/0 0/24	

TM:LAA

Nathan Lukes

Bats: L	Age: 32	\$4
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:		2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:\$0 25:\$11		Bid Price
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-131 DH-1		
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
23 AAA 202 .366 .953 39 5 32 3/1 17/25		
24 TOR 76 .303 .810 13 1 10 1/0 10/9		
25 TOR 388 .255 .725 55 12 65 2/4 38/60		
26 TOR 287 .258 .709 38 7 37 3		

He got his first extended look at the majors as a 31 year old and did just fine, hitting for average with a little pop. Not explosive pop, but good outfield play at all three spots helped Toronto pitchers and made it easier to keep him in the lineup. Against righties. He didn't play much against lefties. The Blue Jay roster is packed and it may be tough for Lukes to find as many at bats this year, but he's shown he can contribute if asked. TM:TOR

DAVE ADLER PAN: 2025 value driven by regular playing time due to other TOR OF battling injuries. Could happen again, but if it doesn't, his value will plummet.

Gavin Lux

Bats: L	Age: 29	\$6
YR/C 21:\$14 22:\$11 23:\$4 24:\$9 25:\$7		2026
YR/E 21:\$6 22:\$16 23: 24:\$10 25:\$10		Bid Price
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-17 SS-0 3B-6 OF-54 DH-59		
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
24 LAD 439 .251 .703 59 10 50 5/2 44/110		
25 CIN 446 .269 .724 49 5 53 1/0 56/114		
26 TBR 404 .256 .705 50 7 46 3		

He doesn't hit lefties, doesn't hit many homers, and doesn't steal many bases, but he takes a good number of walks and puts enough balls into play he has a helpful batting average. Still, his glove makes him a good fit for DH if you don't require your DH to hit that much. He's an unexciting endgame piece who might help an only league team that doesn't pay too much. TM:TBR

ALEX PATTON PICK: It's hard to see what the Rays like in Lux. But they see something, saying he will be their primary second baseman, and that's enough for a modest bet in AL-onlies.

Manny Machado

Bats: R	Age: 34	\$27
YR/C 21:\$32 22:\$31 23:\$35 24:\$25 25:\$27		2026
YR/E 21:\$28 22:\$38 23:\$20 24:\$29 25:\$29		Bid Price
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-145 OF-0 DH-14		
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
23 SDP 543 .258 .792 75 30 91 3/2 50/109		
24 SDP 593 .275 .797 77 29 105 11/2 45/124		
25 SDP 615 .275 .795 91 27 95 14/3 55/131		
26 SDP 592 .269 .785 81 28 94 11		

Durable, consistent, and it feels like he should be older. He is old enough that we can see some decline from his peak. He's hit for less

power recently, though he's hitting the ball just about as hard, but he's also walking less and swinging and missing more, signs that he's not waiting as long as he once did to start his swing. That's a reason to trim a few bucks off his bid price. He might not fall off this year, but every year he ages the chances go up that he might. TM:SDP

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Some warts seemed to be showing during the second half of 2025. Still a solid contributor, but don't pay full price.

Willie MacIver

Bats: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$4	
ML C-31 1B- 2B- SS- 3B- OF- DH-	
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25 AAA 207 .362 .967 43 7 56 8/2 21/44	
25 ATH 102 .186 .576 7 3 9 3/0 7/27	

Claimed off waivers by the Rangers in November, he'll serve as organizational depth backing up Danny Jansen and Kyle Higashioka. He showed a bit of power-speed combo in his time with the Athletics last year, if he does see some time in Arlington. TM:TEX

Joe Mack

Bats: L	Age: 24	\$4
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:		2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price		
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
25 AAA 408 .257 .813 70 21 58 9/3 45/127		
26 MIA 238 .218 .635 26 8 28 2		

His hit tool is suspect but he's got power and his defense is strong. After 412 Triple-A plate appearances last year and 18 homers he would appear to have nothing to prove, but he struck out at 27.9 percent and will surely be challenged by big league pitchers with better stuff who try to counter his pull-heavy approach. There's a lot of potential here for fantasy value but given his moderate patience and contact issues there is a real chance his debut will be delayed or he busts with the bat when he first arrives. Still, you want in unless the price climbs too high. TM:MIA

Jesus Made

Bats: B	Age: 19
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25 AA 453 .285 .792 81 6 61 47/13 67/108	

He finished the year with a brief stint in Double-A but spent most of it in Single-A and some of it in High-A impressing with his speed and plate discipline. He's athletic defensively if still raw and will take some time to polish, but will be playing in Double-A this year as a 19 year old. That means we probably won't see him in the majors until 2027, but he should be on everyone's radar. TM:

Luke Maile

Bats: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21: 22:-\$3 23:\$0 24:-\$5 25:	
ML C-23 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0	
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 CIN 179 .235 .698 17 6 25 2/1 14/49	
24 CIN 135 .178 .518 8 2 8 2/0 13/52	
26 --- 141 .210 .597 15 3 14 2	

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Justyn-Henry Malloy

Bats: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$2 25:-\$3	
ML C-0 1B-1 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-20 DH-26	
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
24 AAA 186 .258 .872 4 7 31 3/3 43/66	
24 DET 202 .203 .658 18 8 21 1/1 23/85	
25 AAA 261 .322 .955 49 9 53 6/1 57/67	
25 DET 104 .221 .654 15 1 17 0/0 20/32	
26 TBR 173 .217 .659 20 5 21 1	

All those minor league walks are nice, but the minor league strikeouts are dangerous. A promotion to the majors, the strikeouts go up and a hitter becomes much less effective than he's always been. That's what happened to Malloy last year and maybe the Rays can help him find a better way, but with options left he's a safe bet to start the year in Triple-A. TM:TBR

Jake Mangum

Bats: B	Age: 30	\$10
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:		2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price		\$17
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
25 TBR 405 .296 .697 37 3 40 27/6 19/64		
26 PIT 367 .277 .666 39 3 35 18		

The 29-year-old rookie finally got a shot at the majors last year and took charge. After a hot start he landed on the IL with a groin strain and missed five weeks, but when he came back the Rays had a need and he got to play. He cooled off in the second half, perhaps that's inevitable when you're an aggressive contact-first hitter with good wheels. His xBA of .251 is probably a better estimate of his batting average talent, but he did use all fields and given his speed and defense and the offseason trade to the Pirates he'll likely have another chance to take charge this year, too. TM:PIT

Kyle Manzardo

Bats: L	Age: 26	\$15
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$9		2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$1 25:\$11		Bid Price
ML C-0 1B-56 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-84		
YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K		
23 AAA 351 .236 .819 50 17 55 1/1 55/80		
24 CLE 145 .234 .703 11 5 15 0/0 9/41		
25 CLE 470 .234 .768 47 27 70 2/0 48/135		
26 CLE 522 .234 .734 62 25 76 2		

Got off to a strong start last year, but when he slowed down he found himself sitting against lefties a lot in the first half. He became more aggressive, regained his footing, and had a solid second half taking on all comers. He was much better covering the top of the strike zone last year, filling in a hole that had bedeviled him in 2024. He also, on the whole, was a more discerning hitter, leading to an uptick in contact in the zone. He hits so many fly balls he might only elevate his batting average if more of them leave the yard, but his improved ability to take walks could bump him into solid status in OBP leagues. That's a real possibility this year. TM:CLE

ALEX PATTON PAN: I was surprised to see he was only in the 25th percentile for bat speed.

Rafael Marchan

Bats: B Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:-\$5	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:-\$4	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A	190	.305	.853	28	2	35 1/2 26/23
24 PHI	51	.294	.888	8	3	6 0/0 3/8
25 PHI	105	.210	.584	9	2	13 0/0 10/17
26 PHI	115	.230	.642	13	3	13 1

He hasn't played enough to test what he can do, but he did set a career high in appearances last year, walked more, and made enough weak contact with lots of ground balls. He's there for his defense and in case of an emergency, so not a fantasy prospect unless his role changes. And maybe not even then. TM:PHI

Manuel Margot

Bats: R Age: 32

YR/C	21:\$12	22:\$8	23:\$10	24:\$2	25:	2026
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$10	23:\$7	24:\$3	25:	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-6	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 TBR	311	.264	.695	39	4	38 9/3 18/55
24 MIN	315	.238	.625	37	4	31 5/0 21/54
25 AAA	128	.211	.564	14	1	16 0/1 12/27

Jakob Marsee

Bats: L Age: 25 **\$18**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-55	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A+	456	.274	.843	103	16	46 46/9 98/97
24 AAA	485	.200	.666	17	10	47 51/7 92/135
25 AAA	345	.246	.811	56	14	37 47/13 68/81
26 MIA	209	.292	.842	28	5	33 14/6 22/48
26 MIA	507	.242	.709	71	13	59 31

His standout quality is speed, indicated by the 61 bases he stole between Triple-A and the big leagues last year, and the 51 he stole between Double and Triple-A the year before that, but he's also notably drawn walks, a lot of walks, at every stop on his way up in the minors. He's also made decent contact, even if he didn't hit the ball that hard, but upon promotion last summer he stepped up his game, hit the ball harder and more often and the results were a surprise. He made an immediate impact. Can he continue that trajectory this year? He's a solid defender and his on-base skills should play, but though he hit the ball harder he didn't hit it hard and his xBA and xSLG were .278 and .434, not terrible but a decided notch down and probably a better indication of his talent. For fantasy purposes we care most about whether he'll play, the Marlins don't have someone to press him for playing time if he's going okay, and we want those stolen bases. There's a pretty good chance on those fronts he's going to deliver. TM:MIA

Brandon Marsh

Bats: L Age: 29 **\$12**

YR/C	21:	22:\$9	23:\$8	24:\$8	25:\$10	2026
YR/E	21:\$3	22:\$12	23:\$15	24:\$15	25:\$14	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-131	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 PHI	404	.277	.837	58	12	60 10/2 59/144
24 PHI	418	.249	.746	55	16	60 19/3 50/154
25 PHI	379	.280	.782	59	11	43 7/1 38/110
26 PHI	433	.257	.744	61	14	54 12

Notably a defensive whiz, he's patient, will

take a walk, and swings hard, but he strikes out a lot, especially against lefties. That's cost him starts and plate appearances and limits his fantasy value, especially in 12 and 15 team mixed leagues. He's been pretty consistent in recent years and there's no reason to think that's going to change now, but is that enough? TM:PHI

Ketel Marte

Bats: B Age: 33 **\$27**

YR/C	21:\$23	22:\$24	23:\$15	24:\$18	25:\$28	2026
YR/E	21:\$17	22:\$12	23:\$25	24:\$33	25:\$25	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-105	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-21
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ARI	569	.276	.851	94	25	82 8/2 71/109
24 ARI	504	.292	.932	93	36	95 7/1 65/106
25 ARI	480	.283	.893	87	28	72 4/2 64/83
26 ARI	553	.280	.863	94	31	91 6

Are three consecutive solid years at the plate a predictor of continued success or a dare challenging bad luck? Going into 2025 10 hitters had earned \$25 or more the previous three years. Three didn't earn \$25+ last year: Yordan Alvarez earned \$3 due to injuries, Luis Arraez earned \$22 and Mookie Betts earned \$21 due to off years. Nothing is guaranteed but it looks like you can expect more of the same from Marte. TM:ARI

Noelvi Marte

Bats: R Age: 25 **\$14**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$4	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:-\$1	25:\$12	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-38	OF-54	DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 CIN	114	.316	.822	15	3	15 6/2 8/25
24 CIN	229	.210	.549	24	4	18 9/3 9/75
25 CIN	339	.263	.748	45	14	51 10/3 16/85
26 CIN	536	.248	.693	68	18	67 17

It's hard to say how he's going to develop going forward because he has a very different profile against Triple-A pitchers than he does in the majors. In the minors he's a patient contact hitter with some power, while in the majors he gets to his power by being much more aggressive, leading to more swings and misses and strikeouts, too. One issue that finally resolved last year: He's no third baseman. But is he a big league regular? The talent scouts say yes, but he hasn't hit lefties at all (.595 career OPS in 184 plate appearances) and while he's still young he's not getting any younger. That schizophrenic breakdown between the minors and the majors feels like a warning to bid carefully. TM:CIN

Starling Marte

Bats: R Age: 38 **\$2**

YR/C	21:\$28	22:\$31	23:\$22	24:\$13	25:\$5	2026
YR/E	21:\$37	22:\$28	23:\$8	24:\$12	25:\$8	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-12	DH-77
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 NYM	315	.248	.623	38	5	28 24/4 16/69
24 NYM	335	.269	.712	46	7	40 16/1 27/81
25 NYM	293	.270	.744	37	9	34 7/2 22/68
26 ---	284	.255	.683	37	7	32 10

His defense doesn't make a case for him, which is a problem given his recent injury history and his declining speed. But if he wins a role somewhere he could be a worthwhile end of your fantasy bench. TM:---

Austin Martin

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$5**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$3	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-4	SS-0	3B-0	OF-45	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 A	231	.260	.788	35	7	30 19/4 39/46
24 MIN	233	.253	.667	41	1	16 7/3 20/47
25 AAA	124	.306	.799	13	1	16 3/2 23/19
25 MIN	156	.282	.736	22	1	7 11/4 22/31
26 MIN	275	.249	.671	39	3	24 11

The man named after James Bond's car, though Austin is his middle name so maybe only peripherally, in stints the last two years at the major league level he's shown good strike zone management and decent contact skills, no power and a strong ground ball tendency, with the ability to steal a base. For a first-round draftee, No. 5 overall in 2000, this outcome is disappointing, but for a fantasy team a good average and steals can be a bargain. He missed two-and-a-half months last year with a hamstring strain, but did his major league time and stole bases afterwards, so he should be alright at least until it happens again. He could end up hitting deep in the order, limiting his chances, but if you don't expect him to add a power component you won't be disappointed. TM:MIN

Ernesto Martinez Jr.

Bats: L Age: 27

YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	263	.255	.745	40	6	40	1/3	39/81

He finally reached Triple-A last year with Milwaukee and struck out the way he did when he was coming up, though he'd improved his contact in recent years in High-A and Double-A. He'll also take a walk, which is not necessarily an endorsement in a hitter with modest power and challenged contact skills, but which might help his offensive profile in OBP leagues. First he has to get over the hump, a challenge at first base now that he's in the Yankees system. TM:NY

Angel Martinez

Bats: B Age: 24 **\$1**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$5	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-37	SS-0	3B-0	OF-114	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AA	525	.251	.721	72	14	79 11/3 47/119
24 CLE	151	.232	.634	16	3	11 3/1 15/33
25 CLE	446	.224	.625	56	11	45 8/2 23/110
26 CLE	261	.229	.633	31	6	26 5

He's a mass of contradictions. He's a solid baserunner with average speed who didn't try to steal much. He makes a lot of contact and doesn't walk much, but he strikes out quite a bit. He didn't hit righties while batting left-handed last season, or the season before, but he got a fair number of plate appearances against them. Oh, and he's got good speed but poor range playing centerfield. He's still young and maybe he'll resolve at least some of those issues in the coming season, he was something of a prospect back in the day, but for now he should see far fewer at bats in a utility role playing for a very young team once you get past Jose Ramirez. TM:CLE

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Orelvis Martinez

Bats: R	Age: 25							
ML C-	1B-	2B-2B	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	448	.243	.851	70	28	94	2/0	67/126
24 AAA	281	.267	.875	8	17	49	0/0	27/76
25 AAA	336	.176	.635	38	13	32	2/0	47/112
26 WSN	108	.215	.656	12	4	14	1	

He looked like a promising power hitter growing into enough of a hitter earn a big league shot, but he backslid last season in Triple-A and didn't get a call up. He's struggled with contact at all levels with elevated swinging strike rates, and on top of that he does not impress with the glove. He's young enough he might find a way to fix things, but is not poised and ready to do so. TM:WSN

Michael Massey

Bats: L	Age: 28	\$5						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$0	23:\$5	24:\$10	25:\$0	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-60	SS-0	3B-0	OF-14	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 KCR	428	.229	.663	42	15	55	6/2	24/99
24 KCR	332	.259	.741	45	14	45	1/0	15/56
25 AAA	111	.234	.679	13	4	11	0/0	6/25
25 KCR	262	.244	.580	20	3	20	2/1	9/43
26 KCR	312	.245	.663	35	9	37	2	

He suffered from a variety of injuries to his ankle, his wrist, and his back and was limited to 77 games. When he was able to play he maintained his fine defense and good contact skills but saw a serious decline in his power. He hit the ball less hard, maybe because of his aches and pains, but rebounded in September, posting a .917 OPS with a .111 ISO closer to his power profile in 2023 and 2024. Assuming he stays healthy he's likely to man the strong side of the platoon and hit for more power than he did last year. TM:KCR

Miles Mastrobuoni

Bats: L	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:-\$5	25:\$0				
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-15	SS-0	3B-27	OF-24	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	133	.241	.603	24	1	5	13/1	13/32
24 CHC	98	.194	.470	9	0	4	2/0	7/17
25 AAA	115	.296	.833	22	1	18	9/2	25/18
25 SEA	152	.250	.610	20	1	12	6/3	17/29

He's got a good approach at the plate but he doesn't hit the ball hard and hasn't picked up the at bats in his late blooming career to have fantasy value. Has stolen bases speed but he needs playing time to make that work. TM:SEA

Jorge Mateo

Bats: R	Age: 31	\$1						
YR/C 21:	22:\$4	23:\$12	24:\$3	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$17	23:\$8	24:\$3	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-6	SS-11	3B-2	OF-11	DH-5		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BAL	318	.217	.611	58	7	34	32/5	22/82
24 BAL	192	.229	.665	30	5	18	13/2	10/48
25 BAL	79	.177	.483	9	1	3	15/2	4/30
26 ATL	135	.219	.619	18	3	13	11	

Signed with the Braves as a backup. He's still fast and could be an opportunistic waiver pickup depending on how the Braves use him. TM:ATL

Luis Matos

Bats: R	Age: 24	\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:-\$1	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-50	DH-5		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	228	.250	.658	24	2	14	3/0	20/33
24 SFG	150	.213	.584	14	5	25	0/0	5/24
25 AAA	147	.293	.837	25	7	29	6/0	8/20
25 SFG	172	.221	.691	26	8	22	4/0	11/27
26 SFG	336	.238	.673	41	12	43	6	

He makes a lot of contact, has some issues offering at pitches out of the zone, but has had woeful BABIPs the last two years. He did hit the ball harder last year and bumped up his ISO, so he's working on it. He's out of options so the Giants either have to work him onto the 26 man roster or see another team claim him. The pieces are in place for a moderately successful power hitter with defensive issues able to help a fantasy team that doesn't pay much. TM:SFG

Brice Matthews

Bats: R	Age: 24	\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-0	3B-1	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	287	.265	.867	10	15	44	32/9	46/108
25 AAA	419	.260	.830	70	17	64	41/11	70/139
26 HOU	125	.225	.706	15	4	16	2	

He was a high strikeout guy in the minors and became a bigger strikeout guy when he reached Houston last year. He did hit four homers in 47 plate appearances and stole a base after one of his three singles and two walks, but he struck out 20 times, for 42.6 percent. That's all off a very small sample, so we'll take with a whiff of salt, for now. Because of questions about where he would play this year and how well he'd do if he did play he's an endgame flyer if he makes the big team out of camp, who could put up solid power and steals numbers while carrying a hurtful batting average. TM:HOU

Ronny Mauricio

Bats: B	Age: 25	\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-7	SS-5	3B-42	OF-0	DH-5		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 NYM	168	.226	.663	19	6	10	4/0	15/54
26 NYM	128	.232	.665	16	4	14	3	

He had great tools as a prospect but he hurt his knee playing in the Dominican Winter League and missed all of 2024 following knee surgery. His run tool didn't come back last year after rehab and his sprint speed crashed, but he stole 10 bases across three levels anyway. He swings hard as befits a guy with power but swings and misses all too often leading to too many outs and a fantasy-punishing batting average. His defense is strong, the Mets have him playing third base in the DWL this year, and he's still young, meaning more improvement now that he's fully healthy is possible. For now he should be a cheap option with some chance to surprise. TM:NYM

Marcelo Mayer

Bats: L	Age: 24	\$7						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-8	SS-2	3B-39	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	314	.236	.752	43	13	54	9/5	32/86
24 AA	300	.307	.859	2	8	38	13/2	30/66
25 AAA	170	.271	.818	31	9	43	2/0	20/38
25 BOS	127	.228	.674	20	4	10	0/2	8/41
26 BOS	479	.244	.700	61	15	57	7	

He squeaked past his rookie eligibility before hurting his wrist, an injury that required arthroscopic surgery in August last year. He was ready to play in October and will compete in spring training for the Red Sox third base job. Despite terrific athletic skills and good power his approach at the plate is suspect, reflected in his 30.1 percent strikeout rate in the majors last year. The Sox also limited his exposure to lefties, probably correctly, since in 27 plate appearances he struck out 10 times with a .416 OPS. That limits his upside even if he crushes righties, as the team appears ready to do the same this year. The bottom line is he has good power but also a good chance to bust this year, especially since he only has 193 career plate appearances in Triple-A. TM:BOS

ALEX PATTON PAN: It's a small sample size, sure, but these are the sort of things we have to pay attention to in today's brutal game to be competitive: xBA 20 points lower than his actual BA, which wasn't great; xSLG 50 points slower than his actual slugging, which wasn't great.

Coby Mayo

Bats: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-70	2B-0	SS-0	3B-3	OF-0	DH-9		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	504	.290	.980	84	29	99	5/1	93/148
24 AAA	358	.293	.969	4	25	73	4/4	42/102
25 AAA	168	.226	.770	24	8	28	1/1	23/53
25 BAL	263	.217	.687	30	11	28	3/0	27/84

Since reaching the upper levels of the minors he's struggled hitting sliders and he hasn't done much with four seamers the last two years at the major league level. Oh, and the sweeper! He didn't hit them at all in the majors. So, what pitch mix does he get? 57.7 percent fourseamers, sliders, and sweepers. He swings hard but strikes out too much and last year ranked in the top 10 percent in infield fly balls, which are the functional equivalent of a strikeout. He's likely pushed off the Orioles opening day roster by the addition of Pete Alonso and is going to have to find a way to hit those problem pitches to make it back to the majors as a first baseman [yes, his defense at third base has not impressed]. He's young, he's got time, but this year's lineup is tough for him to crack. TM:BAL

James McCann

\$1

Bats: R	Age: 36							
YR/C 21:\$9	22:\$6	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$4	23:\$0	24:\$2	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-40	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BAL	207	.222	.651	25	6	26	3/1	9/57
24 BAL	214	.234	.667	27	8	31	1/0	13/56
25 AAA	151	.305	.851	19	6	32	1/0	10/41
26 ARI	123	.260	.752	18	5	17	0/0	8/33
26 ARI	183	.237	.658	22	6	24	1	

He's signed again in Arizona and will likely not play enough to be worth a fantasy consideration, though you're welcome to. His officing apogee was in 2019 and 2020 with Chicago, which was a while ago. TM:ARI

Jake McCarthy

\$4

Bats: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$21	24:\$3	25:\$13	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:\$19	23:\$6	24:\$21	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-59 DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ARI	276	.243	.643	37	2	16	26/4	26/62
24 ARI	442	.285	.746	66	8	56	25/6	31/78
25 AAA	207	.314	.840	43	1	16	12/3	24/33
25 ARI	206	.204	.588	18	4	20	6/0	10/40
26 COL	310	.253	.673	41	6	34	14	

Traded to the Rockies in January, he goes from a crowded situation to a fluid one. From a competitive team to a barely trying one. He's still fast and plays an excellent centerfield so he'll have fantasy value to the extent he plays, as long as he's at the bottom of your outfield roster. TM:COL

Chas McCormick

Bats: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$5	24:\$18	25:\$6				
YR/E 21:\$8	22:\$9	23:\$21	24:\$1	25:-\$4				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-59 DH-4			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	403	.273	.846	59	22	70	19/6	40/117
24 HOU	242	.211	.575	32	5	27	8/2	17/72
25 HOU	100	.210	.557	13	1	5	2/3	9/31
26 HOU	137	.218	.612	18	4	15	4	

He missed about six weeks midseason with an oblique strain and was optioned to Triple-A in September and then released in November. He re-signed with the Astros on a minor league contract in January. He's a couple years on from his big year and a return to some value isn't impossible, but his game has declined the last two years. He'll have to turn that around to have fantasy value this year. TM:HOU

Mason McCoy

Bats: R	Age: 31							
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-2	SS-12	3B-0	OF-0 DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	417	.221	.702	68	12	65	25/2	59/146
24 AAA	385	.260	.716	2	5	50	25/8	39/105
25 AAA	331	.272	.800	62	11	59	17/7	43/99

Grant McCray

Bats: L	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22 DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	372	.242	.776	4	12	53	14/3	45/121
24 SFG	124	.202	.617	13	5	10	5/0	6/56
25 AAA	444	.250	.744	73	15	71	27/3	

TM:SFG

Andrew McCutchen

\$2

Bats: R	Age: 40							
YR/C 21:\$17	22:\$10	23:\$8	24:\$4	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:\$13	22:\$14	23:\$11	24:\$10	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-7 DH-120			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PIT	390	.256	.784	55	12	43	11/3	75/100
24 PIT	448	.232	.739	66	20	50	3/2	58/133
25 PIT	477	.239	.699	51	13	57	1/1	67/118
26 FA	340	.231	.696	43	12	40	2	

He's coming off a not-terrible year but the Pirates appear to have moved on. If he has a role somewhere he will likely continue to take walks, which might matter in an OBP league, but the power and the speed are essentially gone. TM:---

Kevin McGonigle

\$10

Bats: L	Age: 22							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	331	.305	.991	68	19	80	10/7	59/46
26 DET	211	.251	.721	28	6	25	5	

He has yet to have a stint at the pro level in which he struck out more than walked, including the Arizona Fall League in 2025, during which he posted a 1.210 OPS including a .710 SLG. He's relatively short, at 5'10, but solidly built and a dynamic force on the field, always pushing the play forward. He's not the fastest or the biggest player and there is some question about how much he'll steal and hit for power, but last year he adopted a pull heavy fly ball approach that feasted on pitches inside. He also missed time with an ankle injury, which surely restricted his running game. There is doubt he's going to be able to handle shortstop at the big league level, so his promotion to the bigs is complicated by Gleyber Torres' acceptance of a qualifying offer, which blocks him at second base. He's likely to start the season in Triple-A, but will be a must-add when he gets the call. TM:DET

Reese McGuire

Bats: L	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$4	23:\$0	24:-\$2	25:\$0				
ML C-43	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	187	.267	.664	15	1	16	2/1	11/53
24 BOS	139	.209	.573	10	3	18	3/0	13/39
25 CHC	133	.226	.686	17	9	24	0/0	4/27
26 MIL	175	.224	.629	19	6	22	2	

TM:MIL

Zach McKinstry

\$10

Bats: L	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$2	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:-\$1	23:\$6	24:\$2	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-6	SS-40	3B-85	OF-43 DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 DET	464	.231	.658	60	9	35	16/6	44/113
24 DET	297	.215	.614	32	4	23	16/0	24/69
25 DET	452	.259	.771	68	12	49	19/5	46/111
26 DET	388	.238	.680	52	9	39	16	

First off, he won a Silver Slugger award at the utility position over Maikel Garcia and Ben Rice, which is weird since both of them were better at hitting and Garcia is a better defender, though not as much a utility guy. Still, McKinstry won after his surprising breakout at age 30. The interesting thing is that his stats last year better reflect his talent than his stats the previous two did, meaning

he didn't get lucky so much as stopped being unlucky. The one material change he made was to hit the ball flatter leading to more line drives and ground balls and fewer flies, but his .248 xBA is in line with the .249 and .239 he had in 2023 and 2024. So, if you're wondering, the answer seems to be yes, he can do it again if he gets the chance. TM:DET

ALEX PATTON PICK: Qualifies at three positions, will be in the lineup at one of them almost every day, hits up and down the lineup, sprays the ball around, every now and then makes good contact, can swipe a base, will earn more than you have to pay for him.

Matt McLain

\$12

Bats: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$16	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$19	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-138	SS-6	3B-0	OF-0 DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CIN	365	.290	.864	65	16	50	14/5	31/115
25 CIN	510	.220	.641	73	15	50	18/2	55/167
26 CIN	539	.234	.690	75	19	63	18	

A disappointing follow up to his promising 2023 season, McLain traded in a bunch of line drives for fly balls that didn't leave the yard, tanking his batting average and his fantasy value. He's still a patient hitter, especially against lefties, but maybe a little too passive. Most hitters who swung as infrequently as he did last year made much more contact when they did offer. That's a fixable thing that perhaps was disguised by his good luck on batted balls in 2023. That season ended early and all of 2024 was missed due to a variety of injuries. He did a short stint on the IL last April with a hamstring strain, but it was mild and he avoided injury the rest of the way, which doesn't completely put the injury-prone label to bed but it's at the least taking a cat nap. McLain has enough potential power and speed to still be of interest in fantasy leagues, but his struggles with contact currently settle him in the bottom of the lineup and limit his upside if he doesn't get lucky the way he did in 2023. TM:CIN

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Reds seem to be

souring on him and his performance against righties was a real issue in 2025. Hard to hit 20 homers and/or steal 20 bases if you're benched regularly against righties.

Ryan McMahon

\$9

Bats: L	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:\$13	22:\$20	23:\$13	24:\$12	25:\$13	2026			
YR/E 21:\$19	22:\$17	23:\$13	24:\$13	25:\$5	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-154	OF-0 DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 COL	555	.240	.758	80	23	70	5/5	68/198
24 COL	567	.242	.721	68	20	65	4/6	69/185
25 ---	509	.214	.693	62	20	53	3/1	70/189
26 NYY	434	.222	.692	54	17	51	3	

A patient hitter who takes walks but strikes out a lot, leading to low batting averages and okay on-base percentages. With moderate power, because he hits a lot of ground balls, and his good glove he's been able to get plenty of at bats and have a reliable fantasy value year after year. At least until last year. With a cratering batting average and less playing time once he got to New York because the Yankees sat him against many lefties

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after they acquired him, his roto value also cratered. He's unlikely to see many starts against lefties this year after putting up a .534 OPS against them. That should help his average a bit and boost his fantasy worth, but seriously limits his upside potential. TM:NY **ROTOROB PICK:** Isn't going to develop into the star he was projected to become, but he's a good source of power who rarely hits squibs – his soft contact rate of 6.5 percent led baseball last year.

Jeff McNeil													\$8
Bats: L Age: 34													
YR/C 21:	22:\$9	23:\$15	24:\$10	25:\$8	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:\$32	23:\$16	24:\$8	25:\$7	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-79	SS-0	3B-0	OF-48	DH-10							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
23	NYM	.585	.270	.714	75	10	55	10/0	39/65				
24	NYM	.424	.238	.692	57	12	44	5/1	35/68				
25	NYM	.399	.243	.744	42	12	54	3/0	49/55				
26	ATH	.515	.251	.700	64	13	60	5					

He's been consistently inconsistent in a career of aggressive high-but-soft contact, a batting title, lots of defensive criticism, and yet he's managed to hold onto his job. He's turned himself into a balanced hitter after focusing on ground balls in the early years of his career. More fly balls generally leads to lower batting averages, and that's what's happened to McNeil. He now moves to a senior role on the Athletics young squad, at least in part because the price was right. The ballpark is likely to help him and maybe being the oldest guy in the clubhouse will jack up his spirits. But his batted ball profile is much different than it was when he was putting together surprising but valuable skills-based fantasy seasons. TM:ATH

Curtis Mead												
Bats: R Age: 26												
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:\$2								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:-\$2	25:\$0								
ML C-0	1B-32	2B-17	SS-0	3B-29	OF-0	DH-5						
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K				
23	TBR	.83	.253	.675	12	1	5	0/0	7/21			
24	TBR	.122	.238	.567	10	1	7	2/0	6/30			
25	---	.240	.233	.620	26	3	19	5/1	15/63			

His power potential is unrealized and his transformation into a patient hitter with the Rays fell apart after he was traded to the White Sox. He took a more aggressive approach in the Second City and walked and struck out less, bumped his batting average a bit and sacrificed what little power he had. He's going to have to fight his way onto the 26 man roster this spring and there's a fair chance he won't make it. TM:CHW

Parker Meadows													\$7
Bats: L Age: 27													
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$13	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:\$6	25:-\$2	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-57	DH-0							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
23	DET	.125	.232	.706	19	3	13	8/1	17/37				
24	DET	.270	.244	.742	39	9	28	9/4	25/76				
25	DET	.191	.215	.621	22	4	16	4/0	21/56				
26	DET	.470	.230	.679	64	13	50	14					

We have to write off last year's struggles because of the nerve issue that caused him to miss spring training and the first two months of the season, and because of the quad strain that caused him to miss another month,

but the fact is we don't know what a bounce back is going to look like. He didn't hit that much in 2024 either, though at the time his combination of power, patience, and speed looked like it might develop into something very fantasy friendly. That possibility is still there, but so is the chance he's not going to hit major league pitchers hard enough to get it done. TM:DET

Wade Meckler												
Bats: L Age: 26												
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:	25:								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22	DH-0						
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K				
23	SPG	.56	.232	.578	6	0	4	0/0	6/25			
24	AAA	.336	.280	.791	1	9	41	9/1	45/61			
25	AAA	.347	.288	.758	4	1	36	11/3	58/74			
26	LAA	.106	.248	.654	12	1	10	2				

Aging Angels prospect has decent speed but didn't run a whole lot last year, and that .287 batting average in Las Vegas has a major league equivalence around .235. His high walk rate is fueled by not swinging and a high number of called strikes, so it may not transfer to the majors if he gets the call. TM:LAA

Chase Meidroth													\$8
Bats: R Age: 25													
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$8	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-61	SS-76	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
25	CHW	.450	.253	.647	54	5	23	14/4	45/72				
26	CHW	.515	.252	.658	65	7	40	14					

Eric Longenhagen said this: "Chase, Meidroth does not." He landed in Chicago with the White Sox when they traded Garrett Crochet to the Red Sox, and went from an okay prospect possibly stuck in the minors to a major league starter. His skill is getting on base, with super high on-base percentages in the minors coming up basically from walking a lot. Major league pitchers challenged him and he had to be more aggressive. He made lots of contact, he ranked fifth in lowest Swinging Strike % behind Luis Arraez, Steven Kwan, Geraldo Perdomo, and Jacob Wilson, but not so much of it hard and ended up with an average average and an average on-base percentage. Which is a win for a guy who looked like he might not make it. Since he doesn't have a lot of power and isn't that fast he has limited fantasy appeal, but he surprised a little by playing solid defense at second base and shortstop despite his weak throwing. It's hard to imagine him adding much in the way of power or stolen base production, but it is possible to see him developing his hit tool more now that he needs it. TM:CHW

MJ Melendez													\$1
Bats: L Age: 28													
YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$17	24:\$11	25:\$6	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:\$8	24:\$3	25:-\$8	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-20	DH-1							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
23	KCR	.533	.235	.720	65	16	56	6/4	62/170				
24	KCR	.412	.206	.673	44	17	44	4/4	35/113				
25	AAA	.433	.261	.813	70	20	64	20/8	39/135				
25	KCR	.60	.083	.321	5	1	1	0/0	3/23				
26	---	.140	.202	.640	16	5	15	2					

A vaunted change of positioning in the batters

box during spring training didn't pan out, and he was sent to Triple-A in mid April. He was recalled briefly in the end of July and was not offered a contract in November, making him a free agent. He was 20/20 in Triple-A, which is good, but was still striking out 28.1 percent of the time, which isn't promising. He's still in his prime, though his 27th year was certainly not prime, and could get another chance but his swing and miss and erratic contact make a rebound seem unlikely, especially for an outfielder with less than stellar defensive value. TM:---

Jacob Melton													\$2
Bats: L Age: 26													
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-31	DH-0							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
24	---	.399	.253	.736	59	15	54	30/4	31/104				
25	AAA	.126	.286	.942	26	6	17	12/3	22/30				
25	HOU	.70	.157	.416	7	0	7	7/2	6/29				
26	TBR	.127	.210	.600	15	3	14	7					

He was considered a top Astros prospect last year, but after he was promoted in early June he sprained his ankle and missed six weeks. Then he was sent down to Triple-A for 10 days and when he was recalled he started regularly against righties, also serving as a defensive replacement at times while Jake Meyers was on the IL. When Meyers was activated Melton returned to Sugar Land. Traded to the Rays he's in a crowded situation but will have his chances backing up all the outfield spots. He's got power and speed potential, but will his bat play? In limited Triple-A play last season it did, but in the majors it did not. TM:TBR

Jackson Merrill													\$21
Bats: L Age: 23													
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$28	2026								
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$31	25:\$14	Bid Price								
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-114	DH-0							
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K					
23	A+	.466	.277	.781	76	15	64	15/4	35/62				
24	SDP	.554	.292	.824	77	24	60	16/3	29/101				
25	SDP	.440	.264	.774	59	16	97	1/2	33/108				
26	SDP	.579	.273	.784	80	24	86	9					

In last year's Guide I gently predicted some sophomore slump, but then I went out and rostered him in Tour Wars at an okay price. But I was wrong, the room was right, I should not have gone that extra buck. Part of the problem was his health. He missed time with a strained hamstring, illnesses, and a sprained ankle. But after returning from the hammy in May until returning from the ankle in September, he sleepwalked through the summer, and then went on to smack seven homers in September. That's the Merrill I was looking for. Of more concern is that for the second season in a row he struggled against lefties, with an OPS nearly .200 points below his level against righties. He hit 14 homers against righties, just two against lefties in half as many at bats. He's young, maybe he'll figure that out, but in the meantime don't automatically assume he'll grow into a more productive hitter. His swing-first look-later approach is vulnerable to pitchers who are able to take advantage. TM:SDP

DAVE ADLER PICK: Big drop in value wasn't

due to declining skills, but injuries. If healthy, should be back to same level as 2024. If bidding slows due to concerned owners, take the bargain.

Matt Mervis

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$1					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$5	24:	25:-\$3					
ML C-0	1B-29	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-13			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CHC	90	.167	.531	8	3	11	0/0	8/32
24	AAA	302	.235	.774	7	15	43	4/2	37/105
25	AAA	242	.248	.885	47	19	54	5/0	22/68
25	MIA	120	.175	.637	15	7	14	0/0	11/50

A nice minor league power hitter who is overmatched in the majors. Which is why they call it the majors. TM:WSN

Victor Mesa Jr.

Bats: L Age: 25

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-15	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AA	483	.242	.723	73	18	76	16/3	41/122
24	AAA	333	.255	.750	2	13	51	5/3	30/81
25	AAA	189	.286	.813	20	7	33	4/1	19/32

Somewhat fast with a little pop and good defense across the outfield, he could end up in a reserve or platoon role, but has a free-swinging approach that leads to decent contact and not such good results he had in his short major league stint last year. Probably no impact this year, but it's possible to see sneaky value if he's given a chance to play. TM:MIA

Jake Meyers

Bats: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:	24:\$2	25:\$4	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$3	23:\$3	24:\$7	25:\$13	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-104	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	HOU	309	.227	.681	42	10	33	5/2	26/88
24	HOU	461	.219	.645	51	13	61	11/3	35/117
25	HOU	343	.292	.725	53	3	24	16/5	31/67
26	HOU	420	.247	.672	55	10	46		13

Historically he's not hit righties, but last season he hit righties and lefties decently well while playing centerfield for the Astros. He did miss close to two months with a strained calf, came back to play for two weeks and ended his season early when the calf woes returned. He apparently retooled his approach last year, hitting the ball a little harder and on the ground more and he benefited greatly from a six point jump in his line drive rate. That's why his inflated BABIP feels more like a product of those changes than some lucky breaks, though it's probably a combination of the two insofar as you make your own luck. Meyers also benefited from making a lot more contact and taking a few more walks, but his power disappeared. His newfound skills appear to be real enough to be reproducible this coming season, and should come at a nice cost in all formats. TM:HOU

Drew Millas

Bats: B Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:					
ML C-16	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AA	278	.291	.842	40	7	43	6/2	42/49
24	WSN	57	.246	.622	7	1	1	4/0	5/16
25	AAA	190	.247	.680	27	4	25	8/1	17/25

TM:WSN

Aidan Miller

Bats: R Age: 22

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	432	.264	.825	82	14	42	59/15	82/123
26	PHI	148	.223	.642	20	4	16		8

A 2023 first rounder, No. 27th overall, out of high school, he reached Triple-A last year but spent most of the season in Double-A. He was drafted as a power-hitting shortstop but so far in his professional career he's been a super-patient on-base machine with a little pop who managed to steal 59 bases last year despite average speed. That suggests baseball savvy, which is a good thing. He's continued to play shortstop and reports are he's improved his defense, giving him a shot at staying there, though odds are still good he ends up at third base because he's blocked by Trea Turner. Given that he has only 37 plate appearances at Triple-A so far he's likely to head there to start the season, with a potential promotion to the majors at any time if he gets off to a good start and is needed. TM:PHI

Jose Miranda

Bats: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$16	24:\$1	25:\$3					
YR/E 21:	22:\$15	23:-\$4	24:\$13	25:					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-12	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIN	142	.211	.566	12	3	13	0/0	9/24
24	MIN	401	.284	.763	44	9	49	2/2	18/66
25	AAA	334	.195	.569	31	7	28	1/0	30/57
26	MIN	131	.272	.718	14	3	16		1

It's hard to say whether his bone-headed baserunning or ill-timed attempt to catch a case of bottled water was more disastrous, so let's blame his failure to hit while in Triple-A for derailing his major league career. TM:MIN

Kameron Misner

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$.0					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-68	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	439	.248	.806	5	17	55	30/3	73/152
25	AAA	138	.210	.775	25	8	18	9/2	25/43
25	TBR	197	.213	.617	27	5	22	8/1	16/69

Acquired by the Royals from the Rays in November, Misner strikes out so much his batting averages flatline. He's shown power and speed and good defense across the outfield and could see some action this season. Or he could be warehoused in the minors in case Kyle Isbel needs to be replaced. In which case he might be good waiver wire material if batting average isn't crucial to your team. TM:KCR

Garrett Mitchell

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$4	25:\$12	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:\$.0	23:-\$2	24:\$.6	25:-\$4	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-25	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIL	65	.246	.775	10	3	7	1/1	7/26
24	MIL	196	.255	.809	33	8	21	11/4	25/71
25	MIL	68	.206	.576	9	0	3	3/0	7/25
26	MIL	217	.233	.696	30	7	24		8

Shoulder surgery in July and he expects to be back after a normal offseason. Now, if only he would hit. Well, he has hit for average with high BABIPs and lots of strikeouts. He

takes walks but his weak contact skills are a serious limitation that might be offset by prodigious homers, but those haven't come so far. Plus, he's been hurt repeatedly, limiting his development time. He looks to be in a supporting role to start the season with the Brewers, which should keep him cheap in deep leagues where he might prove more and more valuable the more he plays. TM:MIL

Andruw Monasterio

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$.4	24:\$.2	25:\$.1					
ML C-0	1B-15	2B-10	SS-37	3B-8	OF-2	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIL	282	.259	.684	38	3	27	7/2	28/66
24	MIL	125	.208	.575	14	1	16	6/2	16/40
25	AAA	112	.250	.757	18	4	11	8/3	16/31
25	MIL	126	.270	.755	19	4	16	2/1	7/32
26	MIL	157	.231	.647	20	4	19		5

The utilityman took a more aggressive approach at the plate and put more balls in play, striking out less, walking less, and legging out hits more. Though his whole season turned offensively on a hot streak in August, when he was playing shortstop every day and he had an 11-game hitting streak. The rest of the season he was used sparingly as a defensive replacement or pinch runner. Not a fantasy factor on draft day. TM:MIL

Yoan Moncada

Bats: B Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:\$18	23:\$9	24:\$7	25:\$4	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:\$.17	23:\$.3	24:\$.7	25:\$.4	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-76	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CHW	334	.260	.733	39	11	40	1/0	20/107
24	AAA	56	.393	1.005	0	1	8	1/0	6/16
25	LAA	248	.234	.783	39	12	35	0/0	32/75
26	---	328	.241	.720	44	12	41		2

Injuries to various body parts cost him almost half the season. Nothing new for Moncada, but he was more productive than usual with the bat when he was able to play. His fielding was bad with limited range according to Statcast, perhaps due to his ankle and knee injuries. Depending on his situation in spring training he might be worth picking up in the endgame on the hope that he suffers fewer injuries than usual during the year. TM:---

Mickey Moniak

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:\$.5	25:\$.3	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:\$.6	23:\$.11	24:\$.6	25:\$.20	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-117	DH-15			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	LAA	311	.280	.802	35	14	45	6/3	9/113
24	LAA	392	.219	.646	48	14	49	8/4	21/114
25	COL	434	.270	.824	62	24	68	9/3	22/110
26	COL	437	.253	.749	61	20	62		9

The 2016 No. 1 overall has taken a long time to achieve fantasy relevance because he's a terrible hitter against lefties and as a corner outfielder he's just passable against righties. The Angels tried to develop him as a platoon player but his impatience and the big holes in his swing made that impossible. Impossible for Anaheim, but move those skills to Colorado and Moniak became a new man. Or, rather, the same man in a different suit. He was still bad against lefties and he was bad on the road but at home in Denver against righties he was actually good, putting up a

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.857 OPS against righties and a .946 OPS at home and striking out in both situations less than 23 percent of the time. He'll get another chance to live out his dream scenario this year and while there is little reason to think he won't again succeed against righties and at Coors, paying for a repeat of last year's numbers is to forget that he's just one slump away from the bench. Ride him if he's cheap, especially in leagues with daily transactions, but remember his limitations. TM:COL
ALEX PATTON PICK: His .946 home OPS was excellent and, compared to his teammates, his .680 road OPS was pretty good.

Lazaro Montes

Bats: L Age: 22

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	490	.241	.857	76	32	89	7/3	83/169

Plenty of power if he can reduce his strikeouts as he advances. He didn't last year and will likely get another shot at Double-A this year. TM:SEA

Braden Montgomery

Bats: B Age: 23

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	448	.270	.804	64	12	68	14/7	57/130
26 CHW	171	.224	.638	19	4	19		2

A first-rounder (No. 12 overall) in 2024, when he was still limping with the ankle he fractured in the college post-season while playing for Texas A+M. He came to the White Sox in the Garrett Crochet trade and played last year at three levels in his first professional year. A switch-hitting power prospect, he was knocked out of the Arizona Fall League early on when a hit by pitch broke that same foot. He should recover and start the year in Double-A with promotion to Triple-A following soon after with success. While he showed good plate discipline last year he struggled with contact and may need some time to further develop, especially since he's raw in the outfield despite his athleticism, inexperienced because when he started in college he was a two-way player who could throw in the high 90s in relief. He's a much better bet for 2027 than this year TM:CHW

Colson Montgomery

Bats: L Age: 24 **\$14**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$9 Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-60	3B-12	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	223	.287	.937	51	8	37	2/3	56/56
24 AAA	485	.214	.715	15	18	63	8/2	69/164
25 AAA	233	.215	.711	30	11	32	4/1	21/86
25 CHW	255	.239	.839	43	21	55	0/0	25/83
26 CHW	535	.229	.728	76	28	82		3

Called up from Triple-A on the Fourth of July, by the end of the season Montgomery had declared his independence from scouting reports, hitting 21 homers in just 81 fly balls and 25 Barrels. That was a 25.9 percent HR/FB rate, in all likelihood an unsustainable rate for him, especially once pitchers figure out why he was striking out 33.9 percent of the time in his second go round in Triple-A last year. He walks enough and plays very good defense at shortstop to keep himself on the

field, but the odds are good that he's going to hit closer to his xBA of .233 with about half as many homers. He has just average speed and didn't try to run last year, so consider a full season on a weak offensive team only a notch or two more fantasy valuable than last year. TM:CHW

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Power can't be denied, but that contact rate is going to haunt him and perhaps lead to less playing time.

ALEX PATTON PAN: Lots of big flies in his game and that's it.

Christian Moore

Bats: R Age: 24 **\$5**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	-\$2 Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-53	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AA	101	.347	.984	0	6	20	2/1	9/29
25 AAA	255	.271	.794	40	7	42	10/4	40/82
25 LAA	162	.198	.653	20	7	16	3/0	19/62
26 LAA	456	.219	.660	57	16	52		8

There was buzz about Moore last year because of the Angels strategy of quick promotions for their top prospects, and when his bat caught fire after a promotion to Triple-A he was soon promoted again to Anaheim. There the fire went out. He hit .189 and struck out 31.3 percent of the time up until he sprained his thumb diving for a ball that cost him the rest of July. After he returned he hit .202 and struck out 35 percent of the time. This is a problem because Moore's problem wasn't swinging at pitches out of the zone or not swinging at pitches in the zone, his problem was swinging and missing at pitches in the zone. Surely all problems can be fixed, but this one depends not on better decisions but better execution. Maybe experience at the major league level will help him, but his contact struggles in the minors argue not so fast. TM:LAA

Dylan Moore

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:	\$17	22:\$4	23:\$5	24:\$1	25:\$8			
YR/E 21:	\$5	22:\$7	23:-\$1	24:\$8	25:\$3			
ML C-0	1B-18	2B-39	SS-6	3B-16	OF-32	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SEA	145	.207	.731	18	7	19	7/3	16/56
24 SEA	368	.201	.687	53	10	42	32/6	53/123
25 ---	219	.201	.642	35	11	25	14/5	20/82
26 ---	273	.203	.644	39	10	32		18

A utilityman with pop and speed and defensive versatility, he grounds himself by striking out a whole lot, so despite his ability to take walks he's a liability in OBP leagues most of the time. He was bad against righties last year, which is not usually the case, but given his age and the decline in his defense he's not going to get a lot of time to prove his worth. TM:---

Christopher Morel

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$5**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$13	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$11	23:\$15	24:\$4	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-70	DH-18		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	388	.247	.825	62	26	70	6/2	36/133
24 ---	535	.196	.634	56	21	60	8/7	61/159
25 TBR	278	.219	.684	37	11	33	7/2	25/109
26 MIA	461	.216	.674	33	11	33		5

It isn't that he can't recognize a ball or a strike,

his swing decisions are generally sound, but his ability to actually hit the ball is not good. You could have said that was because he was swinging so hard, but the results didn't improve in 2024 when he swung a little less hard. He could end up in a platoon but he's the same flawed hitter against lefties and righties. He's also at that age where flawed hitters sometimes find an angle, which is why he'll be worth a small bid this year. TM:MIA

Gabriel Moreno

Bats: R Age: 26 **\$14**

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$10	24:\$16	25:\$13	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:\$10	24:\$7	25:\$10	Bid Price			
ML C-75	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-8		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ARI	341	.284	.766	33	7	50	6/2	29/75
24 ARI	305	.266	.734	39	5	45	3/1	41/52
25 ARI	277	.285	.786	44	9	40	2/2	29/53
26 ARI	399	.274	.752	54	10	55		4

Fractured his index finger in early June trying to field a wild pitch and was out until late August, which is par for the course with Moreno, as he spent time on the IL in 2024 with a groin strain and a thumb sprain and in 2023 with shoulder inflammation. Since all these injuries have different origins it's not fair to call him injury prone, except that they've all happened to him. He's a solid contact hitter with decent patience at the plate and enough power to help as a catcher, where the bar is not high. If his past injuries suppress his value and he plays a full season he'll be a bargain. TM:ARI

Tre' Morgan

Bats: L Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	373	.324	.898	7	10	68	20/7	48/48
25 AAA	328	.274	.810	53	8	45	8/4	64/77

He spent last year in Triple-A and showed strong plate discipline and some contact issues, but overall he's looking like an able successor to Yandy Diaz, with speed, at first base. Still, he's young and there's a good chance that changeover isn't happening right away this year. But the Rays are relentlessly clever about money and talent and they value defensive prowess, which Morgan has all over Diaz, whose deal ends this year but also has a vesting option if he makes 500 plate appearances. Morgan's limited power limits his fantasy attractiveness but steals at the corner can compensate. He could be an interesting option at any time he gets to play. TM:TBR

Ryan Mountcastle

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$4**

YR/C 21:	\$16	22:\$20	23:\$18	24:\$15	25:\$15	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$21	22:\$18	23:\$15	24:\$15	25:\$5	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-56	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-33		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BAL	423	.270	.794	64	18	68	3/1	37/107
24 BAL	473	.271	.733	54	13	63	3/0	27/114
25 BAL	332	.250	.653	34	7	35	3/0	15/98
26 BAL	130	.260	.704	15	4	16		1

The acquisition of Pete Alonso blocks Mountcastle in a significant way, unless Samuel Basallo busts. Last year Mountcastle blocked himself by way of a hamstring strain that cost him two-plus months. Injuries have

undermined him each of the four years since his 2021 breakout, draining his power and reducing his opportunities. When he was able to play last year he hit the ball hard so he might make an interesting endgame play for cheap on the premise that he's been falling so long it might be time for an unexpected bounce. TM:BAL

Cedric Mullins **\$12**
 Bats: L Age: 32
 YR/C 21:\$4 22:\$29 23:\$30 24:\$21 25:\$18 2026
 YR/E 21:\$38 22:\$31 23:\$12 24:\$17 25:\$10 Bid Price
 ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-130 DH-2
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 BAL 404 .233 .728 51 15 74 19/3 43/101
 24 BAL 444 .234 .706 69 18 54 32/6 41/98
 25 --- 435 .216 .688 58 17 59 22/4 50/120
 26 TBR 422 .227 .686 58 15 53 23

In his one big major league season, 2021, his first as a left-handed only batter, he swung a lot less and hit the ball more and harder when he did swing. For some reason, after that, he became a little more aggressive swinging at balls in the zone, hit fewer of them, and saw a decline in power. He's still a solid defensive outfielder with above average speed, but he used to be above average in not striking out and below average in taking walks. Now he's below average in not striking out and above average in taking walks. After his trade to the Mets last summer he sat more and more, mostly against lefties but also against some righties. He'll have some fantasy value if he ends up with a regular gig based on steals alone, but he's a playing time risk if the Rays find someone better. TM:TBR

Max Muncy **\$7**
 Bats: L Age: 36
 YR/C 21:\$21 22:\$20 23:\$21 24:\$18 25:\$14 2026
 YR/E 21:\$20 22:\$5 23:\$15 24:\$7 25:\$11 Bid Price
 ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-97 OF-0 DH-0
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 LAD 482 .212 .819 95 36 105 1/2 85/153
 24 LAD 237 .232 .852 47 15 48 1/0 45/77
 25 LAD 313 .243 .846 48 19 67 4/0 64/83
 26 LAD 386 .229 .773 60 21 65 3

In recent years he's been weak against lefties and strong against righties, hitting with power and getting on base at high rates when the match up was right. Alas, he also missed a lot of time with a variety of ailments and injuries. The Dodgers know that's a part of living with Muncy and you should, too. If you roster him you should have an alternative available. He's not getting any younger. TM:LAD

Max Muncy **\$4**
 Bats: R Age: 24
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$1 Bid Price
 ML C-0 1B-0 2B-23 SS-7 3B-32 OF-0 DH-0
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 25 AAA 123 .325 .901 24 3 22 1/3 11/32
 25 ATH 206 .214 .638 17 9 23 1/1 10/68
 26 ATH 378 .230 .655 43 13 45 4

He made the team out of camp last year because Zack Gelof wasn't ready after wrist surgery, but was soon demoted after posting a .490 OPS in 71 plate appearances. He smoked it in Triple-A and was recalled at the start of June and got hot, hitting eight home runs before a hit by a pitch in late-July fractured his finger. The injury cost him two months and

he didn't get back until the end of the season. For a power hitter he hits a lot of ground balls not all that hard, but the sample is too small to fairly judge. He struggled with strikeouts in the minors but was eventually able to cut his rate down to acceptable levels, so maybe he can do the same in the major leagues. Maybe. The operative question is will he hit enough to get regular work? There is some chance he'll work it out, he's still young, but for now there's a good reason to be skeptical. Hedging any bet on him. TM:ATH

Munetaka Murakami **\$15**
 Bats: L Age: 26
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 24 NPB 500 .244 .762 82 33 86 10/5 104/180
 25 NPB 187 .273 .942 34 22 47 4/2 32/64
 26 CWS 501 .233 .788 73 29 80 9/3 80/189

Arrives from NPB coming off an injury-plagued year bedeviled by an oblique strain that would not go away. When he was able to play he hit a homer every 10 plate appearances, faster than he did in 2022 when he bopped 56 in 612 plate appearances while breaking Sadaharu Oh's record for a Japanese player. He's been a patient hitter in Japan with elite exit velocity, but rising strikeout and chase rates are a concern. So are his well-documented struggles with high velocity, of which there is plenty in the majors. But he's still young, capable of adjusting to different circumstances, leading to a wide range of potential outcomes. The higher the price, obviously, the greater the risk because there are real bust possibilities here. TM:CWS

TIM MCLEOD PAN: Last year, Murakami slugged 22 homers in only 187 at-bats. He also struck out 64 times. Kyle Schwarber or Joey Gallo or somewhere in-between. I'll take the no-risk approach and watch this one unfold from the sidelines.

Sean Murphy **\$5**
 Bats: R Age: 32
 YR/C 21:\$9 22:\$9 23:\$18 24:\$14 25:\$9 2026
 YR/E 21:\$5 22:\$16 23:\$12 24:-\$2 25:\$1 Bid Price
 ML C-76 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-7
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 ATL 370 .251 .846 65 21 68 0/0 49/98
 24 ATL 233 .193 .636 19 10 25 0/0 27/67
 25 ATL 291 .199 .709 34 16 45 0/0 35/105
 26 ATL 332 .215 .684 40 15 46 1

He's been playing with a sore hip the last couple of years, he says, and had surgery in September for fix a labral tear. He's struggled the last two years, making much less contact than before and hitting more balls on the ground. With the chance that it wasn't just the pain that disrupted his hitting and the possibility that he'll struggle recovering from the surgery, take a look at his limited earnings outside of the 2022 and 2023 seasons and a soft bid shouldn't be too hard. TM:ATL

Tom Murphy
 Bats: R Age: 35
 YR/C 21:\$2 22:\$2 23:\$1 24:\$1 25:
 YR/E 21:\$0 22: 23:\$3 24: 25:
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 SEA 145 .290 .884 19 8 17 0/0 10/44
 26 --- 104 .211 .631 12 4 12 1

TM:---

Dane Myers
 Bats: R Age: 30
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
 YR/E 21: 22: 23:-\$2 24:\$1 25:\$5
 ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-103 DH-1
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 MIA 67 .269 .658 9 1 9 1/1 2/19
 24 MIA 95 .263 .775 17 3 19 4/1 8/36
 25 MIA 307 .235 .617 29 6 31 18/5 23/77
 26 CIN 223 .242 .659 27 6 27 9

Traded to the Reds in December, he looks to be headed to a weak-side platoon in left field. He's a good defender and will steal a base but may not see enough at bats to bet on in the auction, but could be a helpful reserve or waiver wire add. TM:CIN

Carlos Narvaez **\$6**
 Bats: R Age: 28
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$8 Bid Price
 ML C-1121B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-3
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 24 AAA 335 .254 .792 8 11 58 9/1 56/105
 25 BOS 403 .241 .724 51 15 50 1/1 38/111
 26 BOS 377 .232 .681 44 12 45 3

He knows the strike zone, as a catcher should, though his high minor league walk rate fell to 8.5 percent in his rookie season. More importantly, he cut his strikeout rate by being more aggressive and making more contact. He was considered a glove-first backstop coming up, but he hit the ball pretty hard last year even if the homers didn't fall in droves. That makes him better than a lot of catchers playing in the major leagues. There is some chance that with exposure his new approach will elevate his game a bit more. His lack of pedigree should ensure he's cheap enough to be worth another bet. TM:BOS

JEFF WINICK PICK: Quintessential candidate for those who don't want to spend much on their catchers. He's young, he hits the ball hard and his defense is sufficiently solid to keep his bat in the lineup.

Bo Naylor **\$6**
 Bats: L Age: 26
 YR/C 21: 22: 23:\$2 24:\$13 25:\$7 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$4 24:\$1 25:\$0 Bid Price
 ML C-1191B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0
 YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
 23 CLE 198 .237 .813 33 11 32 5/0 30/53
 24 CLE 354 .201 .612 39 13 39 6/3 29/122
 25 CLE 359 .195 .659 46 14 47 1/2 45/99
 26 CLE 407 .212 .669 51 16 52 5

He bounced back last year from his disastrous 2024, a little. He drew walks, cut his strikeout rate, made lots of contact, and set a career high in homers. Yet his production floundered because his BABIP was bad, yet his xBA was only .205. He did everything better and earned less in roto than he did 2024, when he did everything worse but wasn't as unlucky. He won't cost much this year because the shine is off and there's not an obvious way to see him doing more, but the evidence has to be hiding something. Other hitters with similar profiles are hitting for much higher averages. He shouldn't be anyone's first catcher choice, but he's young enough that he has a chance to put things together. TM:CLE

DAVE ADLER PICK: Combine second half improvements in exit velocity and contact

Player Name

rate with a consistently high launch angle, and the seeds for a power outbreak with an acceptable BA exist.

Josh Naylor

\$27

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	\$7	22:\$3	23:\$11	24:\$21	25:\$22	2026
YR/E 21:	\$3	22:\$14	23:\$26	24:\$22	25:\$33	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-129	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-20
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	CLE	452	.308	.857	52	17 97 10/3 33/68
24	CLE	563	.243	.776	84	31 108 6/2 58/105
25	---	543	.295	.813	81	20 92 30/2 48/83
26	SEA	559	.265	.763	77	23 91 17

Of the top 120 leaders in Net Bases Gained last season only two had a Sprint Speed less than 26 feet per second. Net Bases Gained counts how effective a player's baserunning is. Juan Soto at 25.8, and Naylor, who ranked 13th in Net Bases Gained but last in Sprint Speed at 24.4. That speed put him in the bottom three percent of runners in the game last year, yet he stole a lot of bases. A lot of it was situational and philosophical. In Arizona he ran more than he ever had before but he didn't run as much as he did after being traded to Seattle. Re-signed by the Mariners to a long contract over the offseason, will Naylor do it again? Sure, why not, but it probably isn't best to count on it. His profile is so out of whack on the steals that even though he was 19-0 after he landed with the Mariners, it seems odd to think he'd run like that again. Wouldn't it be more productive to emphasize his power? The homers come because of his solid contact and line drive skills and when he pulls the ball into the right field seats. His big 2024 homer number was the result of an uptick in HR/FB and an increase in barrels. The other three of the last four years have seen him hit either 32 or 31 barrels and go yard 17-20 times. All his other swing measurements, including exit velocity and hard hit et al, were pretty similar. So, with his modest homer power maybe speed is the way to go. TM:SEA

JEFF WINICK PICK: Hey, Babe Ruth didn't look like much of an athlete either. Power is real and he's a gem in an OBP league. And he'll still find a way to nearly 20 stolen bases.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: It is difficult to predict the shape of Naylor's statistical contributions in any given season but he is an elite fantasy contributor who is being discounted because people don't believe in the steals (fair, perhaps) and would rather get elite contributions in three categories than very good ones in all five (a fatal flaw in most of our thinking).

Zach Neto

\$27

Bats: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$12	25:\$17	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$23	25:\$23	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-125	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	LAA	289	.225	.693	38	9 34 5/1 20/77
24	LAA	542	.249	.758	70	23 77 30/10 39/140
25	LAA	502	.257	.792	82	26 62 26/9 33/149
26	LAA	597	.251	.743	87	28 80 29

At the start of last season he was on the IL, recovering from November 2024 shoulder surgery, and no one was sure when he was going to get back or how effective he'd be when he took the field. So, he went for a 25 50 HITTERS

percent discount. It turns out he missed three weeks at the start of the season and another three at the end with an injured hand, and still earned what his price would have been had he been healthy to start the season. He doesn't walk as much as you'd like and his contact skills are okay, not great, but he's expected to be healthy and given his age and past performance he should be paid in auctions a nice premium over his recent earnings as a power-speed guy. TM:LAA

Kevin Newman

Bats: R Age: 33

YR/C 21:	\$5	22:\$2	23:\$4	24:	25:\$1	
YR/E 21:	\$7	22:\$8	23:\$3	24:\$8	25:-\$4	
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-8	SS-14	3B-32	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	CIN	225	.253	.693	28	3 28 8/1 17/34
24	ARI	288	.278	.680	41	3 28 8/1 15/48
25	LAA	114	.202	.479	13	2 11 1/0 1/23

Signed a minor league contract with the Royals after a year in which he was waived by the Angels and signed, but didn't play with the Tigers, and posted a .481 OPS. He's been landing on his feet pretty regularly, but it's hard to see this cat back in the bigs unless a lot goes wrong for KC. TM:KCR

Tomas Nido

Bats: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:\$2	23:-\$7	24:-\$4	25:	
ML C-10	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	NYM	56	.125	.289	5	0 1 0/0 2/18
24	---	130	.192	.530	14	4 12 0/0 5/35
25	AAA	172	.209	.596	19	5 21 0/0 11/46

TM:DET

Brandon Nimmo

\$18

Bats: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:	\$13	22:\$12	23:\$17	24:\$18	25:\$16	2026
YR/E 21:	\$12	22:\$26	23:\$22	24:\$16	25:\$24	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-150	DH-4
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	NYM	592	.274	.834	89	24 68 3/3 74/146
24	NYM	571	.224	.727	88	23 90 15/0 77/158
25	NYM	587	.262	.760	81	25 92 13/1 50/141
26	TEX	554	.249	.738	80	22 79 11

Talk about regression to the mean! Nimmo's Statcast numbers last year nearly all landed in the great gray middle. All except Barrels, Exit Velocity and Max Exit Velocity, Hard Hit, and Chase Rate were smack dab in the middle of the rankings, and his Chase Rate has been in decline the last two years, as he's swung more at balls outside the zone. Speed, too, once an attribute, is now merely average, though that didn't stop him from running selectively and effectively. But all those extra swings mean he's not walking as much, which means he's no longer elite in OBP leagues. Last year's stats look good for Nimmo, but he appears to be in something of a slow decline. He probably has another year or two at this level, but when the end comes it will likely come in a hurry. TM:TEX

Jhonkensy Noel

\$1

Bats: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:-\$5	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-9	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-60	DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24	AAA	258	.295	.937	7	18 59 1/0 19/60
24	CLE	179	.218	.774	25	13 28 0/0 13/63
25	AAA	227	.273	.831	22	12 39 1/1 21/67
25	CLE	148	.162	.480	19	6 13 0/0 4/52

Waived by the Guardians, who are always wanting for power, and picked up by the Orioles, who always seem to have a spot for unwanted hitters. Noel is strong but went backward last year, swinging more at pitches in and out of the zone, walking less and striking out more, and hitting with less power. A bid on him this year is like one of his swings: If it hits it could be big, but will probably be nothing but air. TM:BAL

Lars Nootbaar

\$8

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$14	24:\$11	25:\$12	2026	
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:\$6	23:\$14	24:\$8	25:\$7	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-131	DH-2
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	STL	426	.261	.790	74	14 46 11/1 72/99
24	STL	348	.244	.757	39	12 45 7/3 52/79
25	STL	509	.234	.686	68	13 48 4/5 64/119
26	STL	479	.242	.727	64	16 57 7

After last season ended he had surgery to fix the heels on both his feet, which have bothered him in recent years and he's tried to play through it. It is thought he might be ready for spring training with Cardinal management saying he might be ready for opening day, but not guaranteeing it. Nootbaar hopes that with health will come resurgent production. In other words a return to 2023, when the bony growths first started to bother him. The range of possible outcomes from the surgeries, as well as his ability to regain his skills, makes him a risky play this season with some potential for value if he does rebound, at least against righties. TM:STL

Connor Norby

\$7

Bats: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$7	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-82	OF-0	DH-3
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24	AAA	379	.293	.887	4	17 60 13/3 53/123
24	---	178	.236	.732	32	9 20 3/3 15/64
25	MIA	311	.251	.689	42	8 34 8/2 18/90
26	MIA	460	.242	.687	60	15 55 9

He missed time at the start, in the middle, and at the end of the season due to an oblique strain, wrist inflammation, and a quad strain. He struggled against lefties and struck out against everyone, his contact issues an ongoing problem, though he made more contact than he had in 2024. He also didn't hit the ball as hard or barrel it up as much, illustrating the (lack of) power of the trade off. He was more selective and connected on more pitches in the zone, so he was making better choices. Maybe in a year without injuries he'll find a way to make even better choices and get to his power potential. For now, however, he's a project with a good amount of miss. TM:MIA

Nasim Nunez

\$6

Bats:	B	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-19	3B-0	OF-2	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	490	.224	.633	84	5	43	52/7	87/107
24 WSN	61	.246	.608	14	0	1	8/2	12/15
25 AAA	201	.254	.650	37	2	29	36/6	25/58
25 WSN	82	.232	.696	13	4	13	9/1	8/20
26 WSN	376	.232	.637	48	7	35		29

A Rule 5 selection in 2024, he lost a year of development but showed progress after being sent back to the minors in June. He was more aggressive when he was recalled late in August and hit the ball more in the air, which led to four homers, not his usual profile. He also struggled against righties, in a small sample, but his progress there this spring should be monitored. He's a solid and versatile middle infielder with a history of big stolen base numbers and good plate discipline. With just a little power and contact improvement he could grab playing time and be a breakout surprise. TM:WSN

Ryan O'Hearn

\$11

Bats:	L	Age:	33					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:\$9	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$0	22:-\$3	23:\$15	24:\$14	25:\$18	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-75	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-23	DH-50		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BAL	346	.289	.809	48	14	60	5/1	15/82
24 BAL	443	.264	.761	60	15	59	3/1	46/69
25 - - -	474	.281	.803	67	17	63	3/1	58/109
26 PIT	491	.267	.754	66	16	65		4

What to make of O'Hearn's career? A promising rookie debut in 2018, but only 170 plate appearances, and then four years in the wilderness, while a healthy ability to walk faded into few walks and just as many strikeouts. Then he started to strike out less but didn't hit any more, perhaps hampered by injuries, but also by simply miserable performance, at first every day but quickly in platoon, too. This is the unbelievable part. He got another chance with the youthful Orioles, didn't really change his profile but thanks to an elevated BABIP in 2023 he hit for average with some power. He followed that by ditching the hard swinging except in the right situations and was suddenly walking more and striking out hardly at all, relatively. Last year he split the difference, walking more and striking out more while hitting the ball just a bit harder. He's been a productive major league hitter the last three years when it feels like he should have been long ago cashiered. Good on Ryan! The data show he's making better decisions on each pitch while tempering his aggressiveness with good judgement. Can he keep it up? The Pirates giving him \$14.5M a year for two suggests that they, at least, think he might. TM:PIT

Logan O'Hoppe

\$9

Bats:	R	Age:	26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$13	25:\$16	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$12	25:\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-99	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-9		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 LAA	182	.236	.802	23	14	29	0/1	14/48
24 LAA	479	.244	.712	64	20	56	2/3	33/155
25 LAA	423	.213	.628	35	19	43	2/1	24/139
26 LAA	414	.232	.684	48	19	52		2

His results in 2024 weren't great but he hit the ball hard and was young enough that you could hope he'd improve, which is what his hot start last year felt like. But that hot start was fueled by elevated BABIPs and HR/FB rates, and he crashed when they came back to earth. That hot start came in spite of him striking out more than 34 percent of the time, his hard swings missing and creating a lot of cooling wind. His biggest problem last year came facing righties, against whom he struck out 32.3 percent of the time, but he handled righties just fine in 2024, when he struggled more against lefties. In fact, the evidence on O'Hoppe is a mess of contradictions topped by a serious decline in his speed and defense. He's still young and it is premature to write him off, but his collapse in the second half in each of the last two years was stunning making it's difficult to imagine much of a rebound. TM:LAA

Tyler O'Neill

\$9

Bats:	R	Age:	31					
YR/C 21:	\$7	22:\$27	23:\$24	24:\$17	25:\$15	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$29	22:\$10	23:\$1	24:\$17	25:\$0	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-39	DH-13		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 STL	238	.231	.715	27	9	21	5/0	28/67
24 BOS	411	.241	.847	74	31	61	4/0	53/159
25 BAL	181	.199	.684	22	9	26	4/0	22/51
26 BAL	349	.233	.767	53	21	53		5

His injury-plagued 2025 season for Baltimore was very similar to his injury-plagued 2023 season for St. Louis, the main differences bad BABIP luck last year and many more fly balls. But that fly ball profile was in line with his fine 2024 season in Boston, which also had injuries but wasn't plagued. Last season he didn't hit the ball as hard as he had previously, perhaps a reflection of the neck, shoulder, and wrist woes he suffered. So, with O'Neill you're going to get a player who misses time. The question is how much? TM:BAL

Shohei Ohtani

\$48

Bats:	L	Age:	32					
YR/C 21:	\$16	22:\$34	23:\$35	24:\$36	25:\$45	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$33	22:\$32	23:\$40	24:\$64	25:\$45	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-158		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 LAA	497	.304	1.068	102	44	95	20/6	91/143
24 LAD	636	.310	1.035	134	54	130	59/4	81/162
25 LAD	611	.282	1.013	146	55	102	20/6	109/187
26 LAD	578	.290	.999	125	49	111		30

See the Aaron Judge comment for other pertinent big hitter analysis. The list of hitters who hit 40+ homers when 30 and 31 is longer than the list of those who did it at 32 and 33: Sammy Sosa, David Ortiz, Khris Davis, Vinny Castillo, Jose Bautista, Curtis Granderson, JD Martinez, and Ken Griffey Jr. All declined the next year, at age 32, most of them declining dramatically, with only the PEDS-aided Sosa topping 40. Decline has to be assumed from such titanic seasons, but Ohtani is special in a way that Khris Davis was not, so it will be hard to discount him much. Which leads to the big problem. When so much of your budget is dedicated to a single player the risk of catastrophe goes up. The reflexive move then is to play it safe and augment your big hitter with steady guys at fair values, but too often in roto leagues that leads to scrubs at

few positions, a lack of at bats, and a middlin' offense, which is not why you paid \$48 samoleans for Ohtani (hitter) or Judge. Taking big swings with the rest of your offense, going for risky guys, can pay big dividends, both if your big guy misses time or under performs, and even more so if he produces the way you had hoped. Finding the right balance is tricky, of course, and disaster is always around the corner no matter what you do, but don't be complacent or take anything for granted just because you added a generational talent. You surely paid full price for him, and now need to find great bargains in someone else. TM:LAD

Kazuma Okamoto

\$17

Bats:	R	Age:	30					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 NPB	535	.280	.863	70	27	83	1/1	66/97
25 NPB	251	.327	1.014	38	15	33	1/1	33/33
26 TOR	495	.243	.754	68	25	75		2

He missed three months last year when he sustained muscle damage in his elbow after colliding with a runner while trying to field a throw at first base, but he was his usual productive self when on the field. He topped 30 homers in Japan each year from 2018 to 2023 and almost got there in 2024. He's known for his clean mechanics and ability to make contact with power, skills which should translate to Toronto this year. His defensive prowess at third base may not translate, which could cause problems for the Jays and could prove a distraction for Okamoto. Still, he's considered to be a similar player to Seiya Suzuki and a pretty sure thing on the offensive side, well worth an aggressive bet this year. TM:TOR

TIM MCLEOD PICK: The NPB is currently in a deadball era, and Okamoto still managed to hit 15 home runs with 21 doubles last year in 251 at-bats. The solid hit tool combined with the power potential makes for a great mid-to-late teen round investment.

Matt Olson

\$25

Bats:	L	Age:	32					
YR/C 21:	\$23	22:\$30	23:\$28	24:\$34	25:\$30	2026		
YR/E 21:	\$28	22:\$21	23:\$41	24:\$20	25:\$27	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-162	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ATL	608	.283	.998	127	54	139	1/0	104/167
24 ATL	600	.247	.790	78	29	98	0/0	71/170
25 ATL	624	.272	.850	98	29	95	1/0	91/176
26 ATL	593	.256	.811	89	31	95		1

He did have that astounding 2023 season, you can't take that away, but Olson's other three seasons in Atlanta are a better model of his skills. That '23 season is what a career year looks like. When he's not out of this world he's a patient hitter with decent contact skills who hits with good but not overwhelming power. Did the Braves make the right move ditching Freddie for Matt four years ago? Freeman has been the better hitter over that time while Matt is the better fielder. Freeman cost a little more per year but has only two years left on his contract, Olson has four. It probably isn't fair to note that the Dodgers have won two World Series while the Braves haven't made it to the Series, but it's true. TM:ATL

Player Name

JEFF WINICK PAN: Someone will remember the 52 home run season and that nearly ensures a \$40 bid. But that's three years ago and no speed means that the 30 home run power that he now delivers won't justify that price or even \$10 less.

Tirso Ornelas

Bats:	L	Age:	26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-6	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	485	.297	.875	4	23	89	7/2	53/88
25	AAA	318	.289	.832	63	10	57	7/2	46/64
26	SDP	114	.224	.645	13	3	13	2	

He only had 16 plate appearances and one hit in his brief time in the majors last April, but in Triple-A he hit for a little power with a little speed and made enough contact to be viable. The problem is that he performed similarly in Triple-A in 2024 only with more power, but he didn't advance. That's because his adjusted PCL stats make him look like a whole lot less, not necessarily a Quad-A type but maybe a contact hitting auxiliary outfielder with a small amount of pop and speed. Someone to claim when you have nothing else. TM:SDP

Abimelec Ortiz

Bats:	L	Age:	24						
ML C-	1B-1B	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	478	.257	.835	85	25	89	4/2	65/123

He hit with real power last year, spending two thirds of his time in Double-A and one-third in Triple-A hitting the ball hard. His hitting profile held up after landing in Triple-A and he showed even more power than at the lower level. He's got an aggressive approach but has hit the ball often enough so far to get to his power. He'll surely start the year in Triple-A and if he continues to hit there the way he did late last summer he could be ready for a trial in Arlington at any time. He's not currently on a starting track so isn't worth a speculative buy on auction day, but well worth a bet if he's promoted. TM:TEX

Joey Ortiz

Bats:	R	Age:	28						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$11	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$7	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-149	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AAA	349	.321	.898	66	9	58	11/4	32/69
24	MIL	440	.239	.725	58	11	60	11/6	56/103
25	MIL	470	.230	.590	62	7	45	14/3	27/74
26	MIL	568	.240	.657	72	12	64	15	

He got off to a terrible start last year and was soon losing at bats against righties, of which there are a lot. His defensive skills may keep him in the lineup more than his bat warrants this year, at least until he's replaced by Cooper Pratt. In 2024 he was a hard swinger with good plate discipline, a profile that promised some power-speed volume if more strikeouts than is healthy. Last year he hit the ball a little more in the air and a lot less hard, which was not a winning combination but did raise his xBA from .234 to .245. Unless he finds a way to do better he's in a precarious position. TM:MIL

ROTOROB PAN: No one made more soft

contact than Ortiz did last year (26.6 percent), leading to one of the more unproductive seasons among full-time big leaguers. With several top shortstop prospects on the way for the Brew Crew, Ortiz's grip on a starting job looks tenuous.

Alejandro Osuna

Bats:	L	Age:	24						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-56	DH-7			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AA	408	.292	.874	10	18	61	17/6	36/109
25	AAA	494	.273	.776	38	2	17	14/5	29/35
25	TEX	151	.212	.591	12	2	15	5/4	21/34

He was promoted to the big club late in May but didn't play regularly until September. He made decent contact, was patient and took walks and didn't strike out too much. His xBA via Statcast was .273 and reflected a fairly low BABIP in his somewhat ground ball heavy output. He's got some power and some speed but hasn't hit many homers and has been SB inefficient coming up, so when he finally makes it back to the big club not too much will be expected. With only 67 Triple-A plate appearances to date there's good chance he'll start the year in Sugar Land, and with expectations low he might make a good waiver pickup when he gets the call. He has room to grow. TM:TEX

James Outman

Bats:	L	Age:	29						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$14	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$18	24:-\$6	25:-\$6	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-56	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	LAD	483	.248	.797	86	23	70	16/3	68/181
24	LAD	136	.147	.521	12	4	11	2/1	16/55
25	AAA	335	.281	.945	70	23	84	17/3	45/120
25	---	134	.134	.537	19	6	11	1/0	12/63
26	MIN	167	.188	.610	21	6	18	3	

He had a fine season a few years ago but it's been all downhill since. Note that he's been unlucky the last two years. His xBA in 2024 was .198, in 2025 it was .161! It's hard to see him bouncing back from that but if he wins a platoon job he's worth a flyer for his power. But be ready to bail if he continues to make outs, man. TM:MIN

Marcell Ozuna

Bats:	R	Age:	36						
YR/C 21:	\$28	22:\$19	23:\$7	24:\$18	25:\$23	2026			
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:\$10	23:\$27	24:\$38	25:\$10	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-137			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	ATL	530	.274	.908	84	40	100	0/0	57/134
24	ATL	606	.302	.924	96	39	104	1/0	74/170
25	ATL	487	.232	.755	61	21	68	0/0	94/144
26	---	458	.257	.809	65	24	71	0	

After four years dealing with personal issues and injury Ozuna had two solid years that showed off his prodigious power. The 2023 and 2024 seasons reset our expectations higher, and then he crashed last season, looking like totally different much weaker hitter. For some reason he became much more selective, took plenty of walks, but didn't attack pitches as aggressively as he had in years good and bad. Is this the inevitable decline of DH types lacking athleticism? He claimed it was just screwed up timing but he

was also playing through a nagging hip injury that cost him a few games early in the season. His slump cost him a few more as the season progressed, and while he did have a hot streak in September his second half was not better than the first. He was mediocre all season long. He did set a career mark in walk rate, which helps sum up his most passive season ever. Using his 2024 as a benchmark is unfair, that was a year everything went right, but it wouldn't be wrong to hope for a return to 2023, except a volatile DH another year older is something to worry about. TM:---

Andy Pages

Bats:	R	Age:	26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$26	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-156	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AA	112	.277	.927	23	3	25	7/3	26/34
24	LAD	403	.248	.712	65	13	46	1/2	29/108
25	LAD	581	.272	.774	74	27	86	14/7	29/135
26	LAD	551	.258	.739	77	23	77	9	

He was more aggressive than in his rookie campaign and it paid off with a breakout power-speed season. Not a lot of steals, but a surprising number for him given his history. Given his failure rate, don't expect more steals going forward, and be concerned whether the power is going to hold up, though his good defense in centerfield should keep him in the lineup until someone better comes along. His aggressiveness and good contact can carry him for a while, but he strikes out a lot and his drop off in the second half suggests pitchers were starting to figure him out. TM:LAD

Pedro Pages

Bats:	R	Age:	28						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$3	Bid Price				
ML C-110	1B-2	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	STL	202	.238	.656	19	7	27	2/0	13/58
25	STL	361	.230	.633	38	11	45	0/0	19/107
26	STL	323	.229	.636	35	10	39	1	

He's out there for his defense, which is top notch, and not for his hitting, which is a little bit all over the place. He's weak in every which way at the plate but he does swing a little bit hard, which is how he ended up with double-digit homers. Of the three catchers on the Cardinals roster Pages is the defensive whiz. TM:STL

Richie Palacios

Bats:	L	Age:	29						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:\$0	24:\$5	25:	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-5	SS-0	3B-0	OF-6	DH-3			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	STL	93	.258	.830	9	6	16	2/0	6/11
24	TBR	264	.223	.663	46	5	21	19/1	45/67
26	TBR	163	.232	.657	24	3	15	8	

Broke a finger on a hit by pitch during spring training, came back for one game and sprained a knee, knocking him out until September. In 2024, before he went down with injury, he was one of the roto game's most profitable players, reflecting his good contact skills and base stealing acumen. If he stays healthy, a big if because he hasn't before, he could be a fantasy earner for little money down. But if he gets hurt or the Rays decide

to go with someone else he could quickly become a big nothing. TM:TBR

Kevin Parada

Bats: R		Age: 25						
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A	407	.248	.758	50	14	54	1/2	36/126
24 AA	398	.214	.670	8	13	43	0/1	45/153
25 AAA	371	.245	.725	46	11	57	6/1	40/113

He got a taste of Triple-A last year after a second season in Double-A, where he struck out less than he had the year before but still struck out a lot. That strikeout profile and questions about his ability to stay behind the plate may slow his advancement this year. He was a first round pick out of Georgia Tech in 2022 with the No. 11 overall, but that pedigree doesn't necessarily help a young hitter make more contact. TM:NYM

Isaac Paredes

\$15

Bats: R		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$15	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:-	\$5	\$24	\$18	\$12	\$11 Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-89	OF-0	DH-13		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TBR	492	.250	.842	71	31	98	1/0	58/104
24 - - -	542	.238	.739	64	19	80	1/1	76/105
25 HOU	378	.254	.809	53	20	53	0/1	50/76
26 HOU	390	.244	.746	53	17	56	1	

He went down with a hamstring pull in July and while he came back and played in eight games late in September he's likely to still be nursing the injury when spring training starts. He's an extreme pull hitter and all his homers last year went to left field, though if he was helped by the Crawford Boxes in Daikin Park it was only slightly. He hit 11 homers at home, nine on the road. He's a patient hitter who makes plenty of contact and should be a quiet force again in the Astros lineup when he's able to get back on the field. TM:HOU

Kyren Paris

Bats: R		Age: 25						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$6	25:-\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-19	SS-0	3B-0	OF-24	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	415	.255	.812	79	14	45	44/5	88/151
24 LAA	51	.118	.436	4	1	5	1/0	7/17
25 AAA	116	.224	.822	24	6	16	11/2	20/38
25 LAA	126	.190	.645	20	6	11	7/1	10/59

He's a solid second baseman with excellent speed who hit fastballs in his limited major league time last season, but he whiffed more than 60 percent of the time against sliders, sweepers, and curves, and more than 50 percent of the time against changeups and splitters. He only saw five slurve and he whiffed on them all. He did hit the ball hard but in the air, when he hit it, leading to six homers, but his xBA according to Statcast was .178, lower than his lucky .190. His much different batted ball profile last year may have been a conscious decision, but a better path would be more contact (his contact rate last year was 55 percent) and let his legs put pressure on the dee. On his current path it's hard to see him becoming fantasy relevant. TM:LAA

Vinnie Pasquantino

\$20

Bats: L		Age: 29						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$23	24:\$18	25:\$21	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$9	23:\$2	24:\$19	25:\$25	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-126	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-34		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 KCR	231	.247	.764	24	9	26	0/0	25/31
24 KCR	496	.262	.760	64	19	97	1/0	40/71
25 KCR	621	.264	.798	72	32	113	1/0	49/107
26 KCR	579	.262	.769	74	25	96	1	

The newfound power was the result of a little extra lift and maybe a little extra effort on pitches when the count was in his favor. His overall hard hit numbers were down last year, but his launch angle and maximum exit velocity were up. He also struck out a bit more. After four years of major league play and experiences with injuries, VP seems to have found his level. Maybe he'll find a few more homers, his xHR last year were 35.5. Hey, isn't half a homer a double? Or is it a pop out? On the downside he doesn't bring much to the game with his glove and he doesn't much hit lefties, which are reasons to fear for his playing time. Discount accordingly. TM:KCR

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Acquiring the "Pasquatch" is another instance of likely buying 2025 ceiling. Pasquantino's 32-HR breakout was supported by a 2-MPH bump in MaxEV; otherwise his Statcast power metrics are just fair-to-middlin'. And risks? Late defensive replacement, as Pasquantino is no Keith Hernandez with the leather, exacerbated by dire platoon splits (career .819 vs. RHP/.683 vs. LHP; 2025 .856/.614).

ALEX PATTON PICK: I was ready to predict a career year before they brought the fences in. **MIKE PODHORZER PICK:** The upcoming changes to Kauffman Stadium's fences could drive additional HR/FB rate and home run upside. He recorded a dramatically lower HR/FB rate at home than on the road in 2025, so a more hitter friendly venue could potentially make him a 40 home run threat.

Graham Pauley

\$2

Bats: L		Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-5	2B-7	SS-0	3B-52	OF-1	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	410	.229	.736	8	14	62	7/4	58/102
25 AAA	137	.263	.853	19	8	21	5/0	14/18
25 MIA	161	.224	.676	18	4	11	2/0	21/36
26 MIA	377	.221	.657	46	12	43	6	

A fine defensive third baseman and a patient hitter with bat control but not much power could be a plus for the Marlins but not for fantasy teams. As a fly ball hitter who doesn't clock the ball he's going to struggle with batting average, but will hit some home runs, but likely hitting down in the Marlins lineup will have reduced opportunities for RBIs. A full-time hitter is rosterable in only leagues and Pauley could decide to swing harder, though that would probably make him more vulnerable to strikeouts. TM:MIA

Joc Pederson

\$4

Bats: L		Age: 34						
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$5	23:\$12	24:\$8	25:\$10	2026			
YR/E 21:\$10	22:\$18	23:\$6	24:\$19	25:-\$4	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-4	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-83		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	358	.235	.771	59	15	51	0/0	57/89
24 ARI	367	.275	.903	62	23	64	7/4	55/105
25 TEX	265	.181	.613	28	9	26	2/0	34/65
26 TEX	371	.232	.735	53	18	53	4	

Got off to a terrible start in April last year and it wasn't going much better in May when he broke his hand. He missed two months and when he returned he hit .224 with a .706 OPS, mostly against righties. His seven homers in 160 plate appearances over that stretch is well below his usual level, maybe the result of the hand injury. He'll get another shot at the DH job in Texas this year, and will look to do better. He shouldn't cost much. TM:TEX

Liover Peguero

Bats: R		Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:	25:-\$2				
ML C-0	1B-9	2B-5	SS-16	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PIT	198	.237	.655	21	7	26	6/2	11/67
24 AAA	495	.257	.743	3	13	79	14/3	46/139
25 AAA	267	.247	.685	39	6	40	8/3	27/59
25 PIT	80	.200	.635	9	4	8	4/0	6/25

Signed by the Phillies to a minor league deal as minor league depth, he's valued for his defensive versatility and a bit of pop and speed, but he never hit enough while with the Pirates to get past his weak contact skills. TM:

Jeremy Pena

\$23

Bats: R		Age: 29						
YR/C 21:	22:\$5	23:\$21	24:\$15	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$21	23:\$15	24:\$22	25:\$28	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-124	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 HOU	577	.263	.705	81	10	52	13/9	43/129
24 HOU	602	.266	.700	78	15	70	20/6	25/111
25 HOU	493	.304	.839	68	17	62	20/2	35/93
26 HOU	594	.277	.738	82	18	71	20	

A rib fracture cost him a month of playing time, reducing the amount of breakout he put together last year. The main change was hitting the ball harder and getting back to his rookie year power by increasing his launch angle a bit. He was able to sustain that all season, which gives this the feeling of real improvement, not lucky bump. But it should be noted that his .345 BABIP and .280 xBA suggest that he's unlikely to hit .300 again. But with a full year without injuries 25 homers and steals with a .275 average will play just fine. TM:HOU

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: He turned into a star last year, but five weeks of downtime kept his stats from landing in ADP-wrecking areas. He's gettable right now around Pick 95 in NFBC, which is a gift.

Player Name

Oswald Peraza

Bats:	R	Age:	26								
YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$10	24:\$1	25:\$1						
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$5	24:	25:-\$5						
ML C-0	1B-17	2B-17	SS-13	3B-64	OF-0	DH-1					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	NY	173	.191	.539	15	2	14	4/3	13/50		
24	AAA	371	.243	.757	9	16	63	25/7	49/93		
25	- - -	244	.164	.473	24	5	20	9/0	17/80		
26	LAA	336	.209	.605	40	10	35	12			

His career batting average after 524 plate appearances is .189, with nine homers and 15 steals. He's defensively flexible, which could help him land a job with the Angels this spring but will not help him hit more. His career xBA is .215, which is better, but not a difference maker. To the extent he plays and gets on base he will run, which may lend him some fantasy value at some point. TM:LAA

Geraldo Perdomo

\$20

Bats:	B	Age:	27								
YR/C	21:	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:\$4	25:\$7	2026					
YR/E	21:	22:\$9	23:\$10	24:\$11	25:\$35	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-16	13B-0	OF-0	DH-0					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	ARI	407	.246	.710	71	6	47	16/4	64/86		
24	ARI	337	.273	.712	61	3	37	9/1	36/58		
25	ARI	597	.290	.847	98	20	100	27/6	94/83		
26	ARI	583	.269	.753	93	13	73	21			

With some solid minor league options for the Diamondbacks behind him, Perdomo stepped it up. He hit the ball a little harder, though not hard, and maintained his good strikezone and patience to swing only at the best pitches. The result was a most solid season built on only the best intentions. Generally underrated in the past, the temptation here is to see him now reflecting a new reality, but that's probably not wise. His defense is fine, but not elite, and his power and batting average are likely to decline. Call it regression to the mean if you want, it comes for him. TM:ARI

DAVE ADLER PAN: Power spike unlikely to repeat; exit velocity isn't great and doesn't make exceptionally hard contact. But profile supports a decent BA.

ALEX PATTON PICK: He played above his pay grade in the first half and then got better.

Everson Pereira

Bats:	R	Age:	25								
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:						
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$5	24:	25:-\$5						
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22	DH-0					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	NY	93	.151	.427	6	0	10	4/0	8/40		
24	AAA	162	.265	.858	4	10	27	5/2	16/59		
25	AAA	297	.256	.868	71	21	57	9/2	43/100		
25	TBR	65	.138	.465	7	2	8	2/0	7/28		
26	CHW	272	.214	.640	33	10	33	6			

In 73 major league plate appearances for Tampa he struck out in 38.4 percent of them and was traded in the offseason to the White Sox. He's young and has terrific power and good speed, but still has work to do to make enough contact to play regularly. TM:CHW

Junior Perez

Bats:	R	Age:	25								
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-0					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
25	AAA	490	.231	.819	87	26	87	27/6	87/165		

Nice power, plenty of steals, awesome patience, and too many strikeouts! That profile, as with many minor leaguers, is

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the result of a hitter feasting on the weaker pitchers and the bad counts they get into, and doesn't scale well to the majors. Perez will likely start the year in Triple-A looking to further improve his contact skills, which are much improved from when he first arrived. He's a project whose running room is starting to run out, but he's got time to make adjustments if he can. TM:ATH

Salvador Perez

\$18

Bats:	R	Age:	36								
YR/C	21:\$18	22:\$26	23:\$20	24:\$17	25:\$20	2026					
YR/E	21:\$30	22:\$12	23:\$14	24:\$24	25:\$15	Bid Price					
ML C-92	1B-30	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-38					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	KCR	538	.255	.727	59	23	80	0/0	19/135		
24	KCR	590	.271	.786	58	27	104	0/0	44/129		
25	KCR	597	.236	.728	54	30	100	0/0	28/125		
26	KCR	575	.252	.733	63	28	94	0			

As catchers get older the risk of injury increases, but that is offset by the amount of time they are DHing or playing first base. For Perez, that's nearly half the time, so he's put up career highest plate appearances in three of the last five years. He's a power bat who qualifies behind the plate and makes plenty of contact, and is consistently put in the middle of the Royals lineup, offering up a goodly number of RBI. At some point his body is going to wear down or break apart, but the good news is that might not happen this year. TM:KCR

Wenceel Perez

\$5

Bats:	B	Age:	27								
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026					
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$8	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-99	DH-1					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
24	AAA	55	.164	.652	0	2	8	4/0	8/15		
24	DET	389	.242	.682	51	9	37	9/5	32/92		
25	DET	344	.244	.738	47	13	43	8/3	31/87		
26	DET	461	.240	.694	62	13	52	12			

He didn't debut until May because of a back injury, but he started off hot slugging .639 with a .301 batting average after hitting six homers and stealing a base. The rest of the way he slugged .364 with a .226 batting average and seven homers and seven steal, which is a little too much regression over 293 plate appearances. He'll be competing for a regular slot in the Tigers outfield this spring and will have a little power-speed value if he gets regular at bats, but there are a lot of bodies in Detroit competing for those. Unless he gets off to another hot start he could be on the outside looking in. TM:DET

ALEX PATTON PAN: Played well enough in the first half to get a lot of playing time in the second and it caught up to him.

Blake Perkins

\$2

Bats:	B	Age:	30								
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026					
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$0	24:\$10	25:\$0	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-52	DH-1					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	MIL	143	.217	.671	28	4	20	5/2	23/46		
24	MIL	383	.240	.647	54	6	43	23/5	42/108		
25	MIL	155	.226	.647	25	3	19	7/2	15/47		
26	MIL	223	.225	.632	30	4	25	10			

On the weak side of the platoon he's hit in the past but gets fewer plate appearances. His glove may help him gain some extra playing

time, but it's probably going to take an injury to get him back to his 2024 level of production. That makes him a cheap endgame flyer in deep leagues on draft day. TM:MIL

Tommy Pham

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	38								
YR/C	21:\$23	22:\$14	23:\$5	24:\$2	25:\$5	2026					
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$16	23:\$17	24:\$8	25:\$7	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-117	DH-2					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	- - -	426	.256	.787	55	16	68	22/3	47/106		
24	- - -	440	.248	.674	49	9	39	7/3	35/106		
25	PIT	392	.245	.700	44	10	52	5/3	50/94		
26	- - -	351	.243	.683	42	9	40	6			

Blames his lack of running the last two years on plantar fasciitis rather than the vagaries and aches of advancing age. He says he cured the foot pain and thinks he will beat the vagaries but I wouldn't be so sure. He had a fine late career flowering from 2021 to 2023 and he hasn't hurt fantasy owners the last two years because they bet small. Plus, he invented PhamGraphs. TM:--

Jorge Polanco

\$18

Bats:	B	Age:	33								
YR/C	21:\$14	22:\$24	23:\$17	24:\$14	25:\$6	2026					
YR/E	21:\$28	22:\$9	23:\$8	24:\$4	25:\$20	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-38	SS-0	3B-5	OF-0	DH-89					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	MIN	302	.255	.798	38	14	48	4/0	36/88		
24	SEA	417	.213	.651	43	16	45	4/2	46/137		
25	SEA	471	.265	.819	64	26	78	6/3	42/82		
26	NYM	486	.244	.738	62	22	68	6			

Three years struggling with injury knocked everyone's faith in Polanco down, but he got healthy last year and showed us once again that he can hit. He's had three healthy seasons with similar results, athwart those others during which he struggled. Which Polanco is going to take the field this year? We can't know for sure whether the injury bug will bite or not, but his move to Citi Field should put him in better position for homers (though, data alert, last year his adjusted homer total in Seattle was 28 and only 24 in the Mets home). TM:NYM

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Had a solid - and healthy - 2025. If he can again stay healthy, he's likely to be helped by the move from Seattle to Citi Field.

ALEX PATTON PICK: Before the Mets signed Bichette, he was a pan. Batting behind Bichette and Soto, he just has to stay in the lineup.

Yohel Pozo

Bats:	R	Age:	29								
YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:						
YR/E	21:-\$3	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1						
ML C-46	1B-6	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3					
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23	AAA	369	.306	.868	48	18	81	2/0	18/40		
24	AAA	346	.324	.889	2	15	54	0/1	7/30		
25	STL	160	.231	.637	16	5	19	0/0	7/22		
26	STL	157	.243	.648	16	4	19	1			

Stuck between the defensive whiz Vladimir Pages and the offensive force Estragon Herrera, Pozo isn't very lucky and unlikely to get enough of a chance to have fantasy value unless Pages get hurt. Then he might be the Boy. TM:STL

Cooper Pratt

Bats: R	Age: 22							
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-SS	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AA	437	.238	.687	71	8	62	31/5	67/80

A lot of speed at Double-A in 2025, will likely spend 2026 in Triple-A, but he's shown good discipline and lots of contact so far. TM:MIL

Cesar Prieto

Bats: L	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-2	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	498	.323	.820	73	10	69	9/7	30/52
24 AAA	501	.279	.767	6	14	56	5/5	23/63
25 AAA	460	.300	.813	79	9	71	12/14	39/70

TM:STL

Jurickson Profar

\$16

Bats: B	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$4	23:\$4	24:\$2	25:\$14	2026			
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$16	23:\$5	24:\$28	25:\$10	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-79	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 - - -	459	.242	.698	55	9	46	1/0	50/90
24 SDP	564	.280	.836	94	24	85	10/3	76/101
25 ATL	318	.245	.787	56	14	43	9/2	48/59
26 ATL	553	.255	.753	84	20	74	10	

The skills gains he'd made in his 2024 breakout mostly held after he returned from his PEDS suspension last year. But not his batting average, which based on a BABIP drop looks like he was unlucky, but his xBA from Statcast is even lower than his low actual BA. What's going on here? What's notable is a bump up in fly balls, which generally lead to a lower batting average than grounders, if the flies don't go over the fence. While his performance has been erratic over the course of his career, he's got solid strike zone skills that solidify his value in OBP leagues. TM:ATL

Edgar Quero

\$9

Bats: B	Age: 22							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	Bid Price			
ML C-72	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-29		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	368	.255	.748	52	6	57	1/2	72/76
24 AAA	350	.280	.836	10	16	70	1/1	39/70
25 CHW	365	.268	.689	31	5	36	0/1	32/71
26 CHW	422	.257	.686	46	9	46	1	

As a bat-first catching prospect he did about as well as could be expected last year, making good often-hard contact often while struggling behind the plate with his framing and mediocre throwing. The problem with his hard-hit balls was that so many were on the ground he was limited to 11 Barrels. Still, he's very young. In the Roto Age, since 1980, only 13 catchers have had 350 or more plate appearances and played more than 30 percent of their team's games catching. Most recently Francisco Alvarez fit the query. Before that Jesus Montero (2012), Brian McCann (2006), and Joe Mauer and Yadier Molina (2005). That's this century. Last century Ivan Rodriguez did it three times, and Jason Kendall, BJ Surhoff, and Benito Santiago did it once each. That's a pretty good group. Which isn't to say Quero is the next Benito Santiago, but he'd get some time to find his footing, as it were, and the hitting skills to add some loft

and homer power. Will all that come this year? He's young, might be distracted by a need to focus on his defense, and could stumble. But given his hitting skills there's a better chance he'll take what he learned last year and get at least a little better this year. TM:CHW

Jeferson Quero

\$4

Bats: R	Age: 23							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	336	.262	.790	47	16	49	5/0	38/68
25 AAA	251	.271	.839	42	11	57	2/0	32/40
26 MIL	111	.236	.666	13	3	14	1	

He's a solid catching prospect with a good arm and homer power. He missed all of 2024, except one plate appearance, after tearing his labrum and having surgery. He returned to play in Triple-A last June and was a patient hitter with good contact skills, which should help him transition to the major leagues at some point this year. Maybe to start the year, even though William Contreras is a pretty high-duty backstop. But with his on-base skills and power potential when he's promoted he should be ready. TM:MIL

Nelson Rada

\$4

Bats: L	Age: 21							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	489	.292	.750	81	2	39	54/18	75/117
26 LAA	172	.230	.600	20	2	14	10	

He stole a lot of bases in Double-A and then, again, during 201 plate appearance in Triple-A. That's not much experience and he's young, but the Angels have become aggressive promoters of their best talent. His aggressive contact heavy style worked in the minors and has a chance of working right away if he retains his speed, but his style of play can only be tested in real life. He'll bring big rewards if he succeeds. TM:LAA

Ceddanne Rafaela

\$15

Bats: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$2	24:\$17	25:\$18	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-24	SS-0	3B-0	OF-141	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	83	.241	.678	11	2	5	3/1	4/28
24 BOS	544	.246	.663	70	15	75	19/10	15/151
25 BOS	546	.249	.707	84	16	63	20/5	28/117
26 BOS	574	.251	.689	78	17	71	21	

His glove has kept him on the field the last two years while his bat and legs have fantasy appeal as long as he plays. But he's not a hitting force and he doesn't walk much, so he's always in danger of losing at bats to a better hitter. That didn't happen in the second half last year, when a protracted slump landed him lower in the batting order but didn't cost him many days off. His weak hitter/decent fantasy contributor poses a problem for fantasy players. He's established a level of play the last two years that is probably repeatable if the at bats are there, but will they? The uncertainty should decrease the bidding on Rafaela unless a clear picture of the Red Sox lineup emerges. TM:BOS

Cal Raleigh

\$23

Bats: B	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$14	24:\$16	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:\$7	23:\$13	24:\$17	25:\$36	Bid Price			
ML C-1211B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-38			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SEA	513	.232	.764	78	30	75	0/0	54/158
24 SEA	546	.220	.748	73	34	100	6/1	70/176
25 SEA	596	.247	.948	110	60	125	14/4	97/188
26 SEA	548	.233	.822	86	41	102	8	

How did he do it? He hit the ball a little harder and he hit it a little higher and he played a little more. Plus he pulled the ball more. The result was 60 homers on 80 barrels, a 75 percent clip. In 2024, he hit 58 barrels which left the yard 34 times, a 59 percent pace. He also walked a lot more, the result of a new respect for a dangerous bat (17 intentional bases on balls). Raleigh had the sixth highest HR/FB rate in baseball last year among the qualified. HR/FB is a stat that can demonstrate luck, a matter of hitting the ball the right distance in the right park a lucky amount of the time, but it also is affected by the skills of hitting the ball harder and at the right angle, which Raleigh did last year. Statcast says that of the 65 homers he hit in the regular and postseason, nine of them were lucky. That seems fair enough to project him to hit 50 this year, though given the increased chance of catchers getting hurt and the way the Plexiglas can snap back, I'd hope to pay for even fewer. TM:SEA

MIKE PODHORIZER PAN: Well, duh, right?!

Essentially every metric increased, including a FB% that rocketed to lead all qualified hitters...by far. We're therefore likely to see regression across the board, which isn't great for a guy who's already a negative in batting average.

Luke Raley

\$3

Bats: L	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$7	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$5	22:-\$6	23:\$13	24:\$14	25:-\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-31	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-43	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TBR	357	.249	.828	56	19	49	14/3	28/128
24 SEA	404	.243	.782	58	22	58	11/2	27/135
25 SEA	183	.202	.627	23	4	19	2/1	19/64
26 SEA	214	.226	.673	29	9	28	5	

He doesn't hit lefties at all, has power against righties but strikes out a lot, and missed a good bit of last year with an oblique strain and back spasms. The Mariners re-signed Josh Naylor, which blocks Raley some. He'll hit some homers this year but it's hard to see him playing regularly. That makes him a last gasp play for deep fantasy teams. TM:SEA

Agustin Ramirez

\$19

Bats: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14	Bid Price			
ML C-73	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-63		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 - - -	476	.267	.845	80	25	93	2/2	61/102
25 MIA	537	.231	.701	72	21	67	16/3	36/113
26 MIA	431	.241	.709	57	17	58	12	

As one JT Realmuto phades in Philly another arrives in Miami. Ramirez actually arrived in a more impressive fashion than Realmuto did back in 2015, landing earlier with more power and more steals, but he perhaps doesn't have

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Realmuto's pure speed and good defensive profile. Still, a catcher eligible with real power and stolen base prowess is a fantasy boon and while he was hurt by a poor batting average his xBA was a much more palatable .263. Whether or not he can stay at catcher doesn't matter this year and note that when he advanced to High-A and Double-A he walked less, for a while, and eventually walked more. TM:MIA

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: A pleasant surprise in the SB department, 21 SB between MIA and Triple-A, matching 22 in Double-A and Triple-A in 2024. But his OBP plummeted from 2024's MiLB .358 to .287 in ML because consistent double-digit MiLB walk rates collapsed to barely over 6%. Ramirez also might lose dynasty/keeper value when his poor catching skills (39th of 40 defensively in 2025) lead to a DH-only role, maybe as soon as this year. Finally, it's a plus that Ramirez figures to bat cleanup, but the Marlins aren't going to field the 1976 Reds around him.

Jose Ramirez

\$36

Bats:	B	Age:	34
YR/C 21:	\$40	22:	\$41
YR/E 21:	\$34	22:	\$36
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 CLE	611	.282	.839
24 CLE	620	.279	.871
25 CLE	593	.283	.863
26 CLE	605	.276	.831

Another great season for Ramirez, but that cannot go on forever. He's had ups and downs in the past, so it's hard to read whether this is the start of his decline or just another blip. It's perhaps telling that his sprint speed last year is in line with his 2015 sprint speed, or put another way, above average. His willingness and ability to carry the Guardians woeful offense is to be admired, and he may be able to keep it up for another year or two. Or three. I just wouldn't count on it. TM:CLE

JEFF WINICK PICK: There are no guarantees in life, but Jose Ramirez putting up 30/30 comes pretty damn close.

Bryan Ramos

\$2

Bats:	R	Age:	24
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 AAA	307	.264	.809
24 AAA	331	.242	.712
25 AAA	371	.216	.702

Had a nice power-speed combo in Triple-A last year but has struggled with swing and miss, especially after taking a more aggressive approach on balls in and out of the zone. He's a fine defensive third baseman with excellent range and while he's not slated to start the season in the majors this year, if he further adjusts and is able to hit the ball more he could be promoted at any time. His strength and speed have the potential to be fantasy friendly if he succeeds. TM:CHW

Heliot Ramos

\$18

Bats:	R	Age:	27
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 SFG	56	.179	.537
24 SFG	475	.269	.792
25 SFG	620	.256	.728
26 SFG	586	.256	.731

His numbers last year are similar to those of 2024, though in nearly 180 more plate appearances he didn't hit more homers, more doubles, or steal more bases. He did walk just a bit more and strike out quite a bit less, showing more discernment in the strikezone and making more contact on pitches in the zone and outside it. This is especially notable because he hit the ball as hard as he did the previous year. That looks like he has breakout potential, though to get there in a significant way he's going to have to take another step forward. Not impossible, but it will be safer to assume more of the same from him this year. TM:SFG

ALEX PATTON PICK: Back in Stage One, a long time ago, people would say, "Heliot who?" This year you better nominate him while you still have some money left and just hope you don't have to go to your bid limit.

J.T. Realmuto

\$12

Bats:	R	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	\$22	22:	\$22
YR/E 21:	\$19	22:	\$29
ML C-1321B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 PHI	489	.252	.770
24 PHI	380	.266	.751
25 PHI	502	.257	.699
26 PHI	448	.255	.708

Bill James famously claimed that catchers start declining after about 1,000 games behind the plate because of the wear and tear playing the position inflicts. Realmuto has 1,278 games played at catcher, and he's seen his power and his speed decline the last two years. Is that because of the catching? Or is it because he's in his mid-30s and many players fall off about that point? Does it matter? His Statcast numbers say he's hitting the ball hard, but not as hard as he did in his best power years, and he's still Top 25 percent in speed, but he used to be Top 15 percent. That's mild decline leading to notable declines in his fantasy output but not necessarily continued decline this year. He's a middle of the road hitter at this point who won't hurt you if you aren't hoping he recaptures his past performance. TM:PHI

Rob Refsnyder

\$1

Bats:	R	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	\$1	22:	\$5
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 BOS	202	.248	.683
24 BOS	272	.283	.829
25 BOS	182	.269	.838
26 SEA	239	.251	.743

Chad Jennings in the Athletic wrote about Refsnyder after he signed his big deal with the Mariners. The take: Refsnyder decided to swing harder, guess more, and risk mistakes

to get better outcomes when things went right. And his earnings got better. He's still a utility outfielder who struggles against righties but kills lefties. He used to have no fantasy profile, now he has a very little one best considered in leagues with daily lineups. TM:SEA

Jacob Reimer

Bats:	R	Age:	22
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
25 AA	444	.282	.870

He split time between High-A and Double-A last year and held his own, showing solid plate discipline, okay contact skills, and good power at both levels. He'll probably spend this year at Triple-A and maybe see the majors in 2027, though his defensive issues might slow that schedule or see him moving off of third base and raising the bar for his offensive game. TM:

Hunter Renfroe

Bats:	R	Age:	34
YR/C 21:	\$8	22:	\$19
YR/E 21:	\$20	22:	\$18
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 ---	498	.233	.719
24 KCR	385	.229	.689
25 KCR	99	.182	.483

He didn't play anywhere after he was released by the Royals in May. TM:---

Luis Rengifo

\$8

Bats:	B	Age:	29
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:	\$17
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 LAA	394	.264	.792
24 LAA	283	.300	.762
25 LAA	501	.238	.622
26 ---	386	.255	.668

The music came to an end after three ridiculously good fantasy years for Rengifo, who managed to use okay contact skills to drive enough homers with a slightly above average batting to have fantasy relevance. In 2024, when the power dimmed (he hit a lot fewer fly balls) he ran a lot more. Last year it all fell apart, though he made enough contact that his xBA was .265, more in line with his historical averages. So maybe he'll bounce back a little, but don't expect the power unless he hits more fly balls harder, and don't expect the steals unless he figures out how to get caught less often. And don't expect the playing time, since his defensive prowess is based more on flexibility than actual prowess. TM:---

Bryan Reynolds

\$20

Bats:	B	Age:	31
YR/C 21:	\$13	22:	\$24
YR/E 21:	\$30	22:	\$20
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23 PIT	574	.263	.799
24 PIT	622	.275	.791
25 PIT	587	.245	.720
26 PIT	582	.257	.739

He's been a fairly meh player, a star in Pittsburgh but just a regular outfielder if he played anywhere else. He swung harder last year and hit the ball a little harder, but

also missed the ball a little more leading to a lower batting average and he surprisingly hit his fewest homers since his rookie year (not counting the COVID year). Some of that was bad luck, his xHR was 19.3, and his xSLG was a much more palatable .469 than his lowly .402. That looks like a slumpy season, especially since he had some aches in the early going and was much more his old self in the second half. So don't go in expecting too big a discount, pay the price and hope for meh, not oy vey. TM:PIIT

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: We were probably paying too much for Reynolds' floor the last few seasons but now there is way too much of a discount baked in just because Reynolds had one down year that wasn't even that much of a down year. A bounce back to 20-25 home runs and a .260 AVG is a reasonable expectation and would make Reynolds a deep discount.

Ben Rice

Bats: L Age: 27 **\$18**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:\$17	Bid Price				
ML C-36	1B-50	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-48			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	289	.273	.976	6	24	59	10/1	57/72
24	NY Y	152	.171	.613	20	7	23	0/1	20/48
25	NY Y	467	.255	.835	74	26	65	3/2	50/100
26	NY Y	498	.242	.781	76	28	77		4

The Yankees didn't seem to have room for him last year, but he got a chance, hit eight homers by the end of April and found himself in the lineup pretty regularly against righties. He didn't hit much for average against lefties, but his power stroke worked against them just fine and now the team says he's their starting first baseman this year. Which is going to bump his price quite a bit. Given his xBA of .299 last year, a good walk rate and plenty of contact, how high is the ceiling on Rice? He's vulnerable against lefties, despite last year's power, striking out nearly 28 percent of the time against them. But he's always been patient and hit with power. His minor league problems look, on the shiny stat surface, to have been his defensive struggles. The hit and power tools have always been fine, which is a good reason to expect at least more of the same this year. A power hitting catcher with a plus average is a rare thing, but for this year at least Rice joins that club. TM:NY Y

DAVE ADLER PICK: So much to like here – big improvement to contact rate, great launch angle and exit velocity, improved performance against lefties. Catcher eligibility is the cherry on top.

Austin Riley

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$24**

YR/C 21:	\$14	22:\$26	23:\$32	24:\$34	25:\$28	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$31	22:\$32	23:\$33	24:\$13	25:\$12	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-102	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	ATL	636	.281	.877	117	37	97	3/1	59/172
24	ATL	425	.256	.783	63	19	56	0/0	37/118
25	ATL	416	.260	.737	54	16	54	2/1	27/128
26	ATL	609	.262	.777	87	29	90		3

Injuries have derailed him the last two years. While the fractured hand that ended his 2024 season early was unfortunate, of more concern is the oblique he suffered that year and last year's abdomen strain in July, which

led to a worse core injury in August that led to season-ending surgery. All of which is to say fragile muscles are a problem. He's expected to be ready for spring training after a normal offseason of conditioning, something he didn't have before the 2025 season and which the Braves attribute to his problems last year. We'll see. From 2021 to 2023 he had a consistent power profile with a lot of production in the middle of the Braves lineup. A return to that level is certainly possible though he's now on the back side of his prime years. TM:ATL

Gabriel Rincones

Bats: L Age: 25

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	412	.240	.799	81	18	73	21/5	80/114

A third-round pick in 2022, he's missed a lot of time with a variety of injuries but when he's playing he hits the ball hard. He's been a bit of a base stealer in the minors, too. So, maybe he'll grow into some big league playing time and do okay, with some fantasy friendly homers and steals. But he's had consistently high infield fly ball rates in the minors, above 20 percent each year, which are the equivalent of strikeouts and make his batted ball profile a lot weaker. TM:PHI

Ryan Ritter

Bats: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-29	SS-30	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	218	.303	1.010	45	16	50	3/2	34/54
25	COL	187	.241	.627	22	1	18	3/1	10/61
26	COL	220	.240	.654	28	5	24		4

A toolsy power-speed middle infielder prospect who will work plenty of walks but ends up striking out a lot, too. He goes down swinging more often than taking, which gives him a slugger's chance, but more crucially he didn't swing like a slugger while with the Rockies last summer. His 1.5 percent barrel rate, 30.5 percent HardHit%, and 51 percent groundball rate all argue he's mismatched. His competition at short and second is not elite so he has a chance if he can get his game in order, but he's got a lot of hurdles to get over this year TM:COL

Leo Rivas

Bats: B Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:\$0					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-34	SS-7	3B-2	OF-2	DH-5			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	203	.296	.880	1	4	32	24/6	55/51
24	SEA	73	.233	.600	10	0	8	3/0	10/24
25	AAA	223	.318	.968	63	10	46	24/3	62/59
25	SEA	90	.244	.721	19	2	9	6/0	20/24
26	SEA	149	.219	.626	21	3	14		7

His 18 percent walk rate in the majors last year was not a fluke. He walked 20.7 percent of his plate appearances in Triple-A. And he might have fantasy value if he played regularly, he's got stolen base speed. But the last two years he's been given just 197 plate appearances by the Mariners, perhaps a reflection of his less than sterling defense. TM:SEA

Emmanuel Rivera

Bats: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	-\$2	22:\$6	23:\$3	24:\$1	25:-\$3				
ML C-0	1B-8	2B-0	SS-0	3B-30	OF-0	DH-2			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	ARI	257	.261	.687	32	4	29	1/0	22/56
24	- - -	265	.238	.655	24	5	29	2/0	26/69
25	AAA	222	.297	.718	20	1	31	3/0	19/50
25	BAL	120	.250	.575	5	0	13	1/0	6/24

Contact hitting utility guy's main defensive virtue is that he isn't bad. Hit the ball more weakly last year in limited play and didn't homer. Go figure. TM:

Sebastian Rivero

Bats: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
ML C-11	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AA	242	.219	.619	25	4	28	0/1	14/51
24	AAA	237	.186	.492	3	1	26	1/0	14/58
25	AAA	231	.264	.732	31	9	45	1/2	14/45

TM:LAA

Luis Robert Jr.

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$18**

YR/C 21:	\$27	22:\$33	23:\$27	24:\$31	25:\$21	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$16	22:\$18	23:\$28	24:\$9	25:\$13	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-105	DH-4			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	CHW	546	.264	.858	90	38	80	20/4	30/172
24	CHW	393	.224	.657	47	14	35	23/6	28/141
25	CHW	382	.223	.659	52	14	53	33/8	40/112
26	NYM	533	.236	.695	71	22	66		34

We should start with the injuries. He's topped 500 plate appearances once, with his second best total last year's 431. He missed some time early in the season with a sore knee, and slumped when he was able to play. His second half was bookended by stints on the IL with hamstring strains, but he hit much more, posting an .808 OPS after the All Star break. His low batting average last year was, unlike his low batting average in 2024, mostly a matter of bad BABIP luck. His xBA was .256, which is in line with his historical norms. It's debatable whether he'll ever match his big-power season in 2023, he hit homers on fly balls that year at twice the rate he has the last two years, but he is still a dynamic player when he's able to take the field and should be approached with muted enthusiasm. The Mets are clearly doing so. TM:NYM

Kristian Robinson

Bats: R Age: 26

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	425	.254	.818	80	17	60	34/8	77/144

A non-roster invitee this spring, and he still has good speed and an option left. TM:ARI

Victor Robles

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$8**

YR/C 21:	\$22	22:\$6	23:\$3	24:\$1	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$1	22:\$7	23:\$1	24:\$17	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-31	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	WSN	107	.299	.738	15	0	8	8/1	11/18
24	- - -	254	.307	.806	44	4	28	34/2	21/53
25	SEA	106	.245	.611	12	1	9	6/2	3/26
26	SEA	361	.252	.663	48	7	36		24

The Victor Robles who came alive after getting out of DC in 2024 went all somnolent again last year, partly because he fractured his

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shoulder early in April, which landed him on the IL into August. Then he got overheated and threw his bat at the pitcher in a rehab game, which led to a 10-game suspension. Once back he struggled getting going, sleep walked into the postseason and then through it, posting a .499 OPS in 10 games. Write off Robles' 2025 because of injury and you're still left with a guy who has decent speed but has had only a few productive stints since 2019. That makes him risky, even if cheap. TM:SEA

Brayan Rocchio

Bats: B Age: 25 **\$4**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$2	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-50	SS-72	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	CLE	81	.247	.612	9	0	8	0/0	4/27
24	CLE	383	.206	.612	50	8	36	10/6	44/90
25	AAA	159	.252	.835	28	7	30	7/3	23/27
25	CLE	344	.233	.627	34	5	44	8/4	22/77
26	CLE	481	.227	.626	57	9	52	12	

He made some adjustments last year swinging harder and a little more often without costing himself much contact, but he did walk less and didn't really improve his power profile. The improvement came after he was relegated to the minors in early May and was recalled on the first day of July to replace the injured Gabriel Arias. He returned a changed hitter attacking the ball more and good results came along for the ride. He's still not a strong hitter and saw his fielding value decline, which makes him less than a sure thing going forward. He could play regularly this year but might also slip into even more of utility role, or maybe something else entirely. TM:CLE

Alan Roden

Bats: L Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-52	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	451	.293	.873	11	16	75	14/1	64/75
25	AAA	121	.331	.918	25	3	18	4/1	16/13
25	---	136	.191	.556	17	2	9	1/1	8/37
26	MIN	149	.232	.638	19	3	15	2	

His rookie season ended with thumb surgery, but he's expected to compete for a backup job in the outfield this year. He was a solid contact hitter coming up in the minors, with good strikezone judgement, but he started swinging more at pitches out of the zone and missing. Experience may help, or conclusively demonstrate a weakness. TM:MIN

Brendan Rodgers

Bats: R Age: 30

YR/C	21:\$5	22:\$16	23:\$5	24:\$8	25:\$1				
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$18	23:\$0	24:\$14	25:-\$5				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-41	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	COL	178	.258	.700	21	4	20	0/0	11/41
24	COL	501	.267	.721	67	13	54	1/0	31/132
25	HOU	115	.191	.544	12	2	11	0/1	11/46
26	---	160	.243	.664	19	4	17	1	

His season with the Astros, his first away from Colorado, was a disaster. He got hurt in June and stayed hurt with a series of mishaps and conditions until the season ended. He still has something to prove away from the Rockies. TM:---

Carlos D. Rodriguez

Bats: L Age: 26

MN C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AA	392	.291	.727	51	1	43	14/8	40/50
24	AAA	436	.284	.750	1	4	52	17/6	59/52
25	AAA	515	.254	.647	57	8	37	20/10	54/73

Invited to spring training by the Padres, he makes plenty of contact but has little power and just a little stolen base speed. A good hit tool and a bit of speed can make for a welcome waiver wire pickup when he gets the call or makes the team. His solid center field play gives him a chance at least at a fourth or fifth outfielder job. TM:SDP

Emmanuel Rodriguez

Bats: L Age: 23 **\$3**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
MN C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	157	.280	1.026	1	9	27	9/3	51/62
25	AAA	208	.269	.839	43	6	31	10/3	55/85
26	MIN	166	.222	.680	23	3	18	1	

He's been hurt the last two years with a variety of injuries. Last year it was his oblique, his thumb, and his hip. Most of the season he played in Triple-A, where he walked a whole lot but struck out a whole lot more. He's got great strikezone judgement and lousy contact skills, hence the disconnect, which alas seems to disconnect him from his power. Or maybe it was the physical woes. He's a good defender and if he can stay healthy he might be able to resolve his issues in the majors, but much more likely at Triple-A and with success a call-up. TM:MIN

Endy Rodriguez

Bats: B Age: 26

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:	25:-\$5				
ML C-9	1B-11	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	PIT	186	.220	.617	27	3	13	0/0	17/49
25	PIT	52	.173	.496	5	0	2	0/1	5/14

He had nerve transposition surgery in his throwing elbow last August and is not expected to be ready to catch or play first base when the season starts. He's played so little the last two years once he's able to take the stage he's going to have to prove everything. If he's doing anything he's worth a waiver wire pickup, but not draft day interest. TM:PIT

Hector Rodriguez

Bats: L Age: 22

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AAA	527	.283	.785	92	19	65	15/7	40/86

Showed some power and speed with an aggressive high-contact approach last year in Triple-A and has the outfield chops to perhaps win a backup outfield job or else be added later. Not a draft target, his swing-first approach will be vulnerable in the bigs, but a potentially helpful fantasy player in NL Only when he makes the team or gets the call. TM:CIN

Jesus Rodriguez

Bats: R Age: 24

MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AAA	489	.307	.796	76	7	59	21/9	66/78

Traded from the Yankees to the Giants at the deadline, Rodriguez picked up where he left off, hitting for average, making contact, taking walks, and stealing bases. He was thrown out a little too often stealing for comfort, and as a short-ish and strong-based catcher/3B steals are not likely part of his long-term outlook. Power is expected to come, but so far not. On defense he has a gun and will return to Triple-A to further work on his defense. If he gets the call he might be all contact and little power this year, which makes him an interesting (the power might fill in eventually) waiver pick. TM:SFG

Johnathan Rodriguez

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-28	DH-1			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	439	.301	.936	2	29	94	8/2	64/128
25	AAA	324	.312	.912	48	16	66	0/2	43/86
25	CLE	71	.197	.626	6	2	10	1/0	6/22
26	CLE	182	.228	.673	23	6	23	2	

He has nothing to prove in Triple-A where he hit homers in 2024, and lots to prove in the majors, where he has struck out 30.8 percent of his at bats the last two years. He was better last year, but with limited power because he hit the ball hard on the ground. He should get weak-side platoon at bats but is probably better considered a reserve or waiver pick than an endgame target. TM:CLE

Julio Rodriguez

Bats: R Age: 26 **\$34**

YR/C	21:	22:\$11	23:\$43	24:\$43	25:\$39	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:\$35	23:\$37	24:\$26	25:\$34	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-159	DH-1			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	SEA	654	.275	.821	102	32	103	37/10	47/175
24	SEA	567	.273	.734	76	20	68	24/5	38/156
25	SEA	652	.267	.798	106	32	95	30/6	44/152
26	SEA	626	.273	.782	95	29	90	28	

Every year he stinks up the first half, is a fantasy disaster and not much help to the Mariners, and then turns on the burners in the second half. If the pattern persists this year he'll have something like a .730 OPS late in June and his owner will be muttering, "I paid \$38 for this?" You can try to pounce, make an offer to help him out, but chances are Rodriguez's owner will be waiting for the second half bounce. What are the odds he has a solid full season? The type of season we were expecting from him when he came up? It could happen, he's that talented, but he's also proven that fundamentally he doesn't control counts well, swings at bad pitches, strikes out too much, and doesn't walk as much as a hitter with his power usually does. That doesn't make him a bad player, but it suggests he's not going to live up to our expectations. TM:SEA

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Second half of 2025 was reminiscent of 2023 when he produced mid-\$30 in value. There's a good chance he could be better than 2023 in 2026.

Jake Rogers

Bats: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$6	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:	23:\$5	24:\$0	25:-\$4				
ML C-41	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	DET	331	.221	.735	47	21	49	1/1 28/118
24	DET	310	.197	.607	43	10	36	1/0 22/99
25	DET	123	.187	.608	14	3	19	0/0 15/39
26	DET	161	.204	.624	20	5	20	1

Catching skills keep him in the game with a limited offensive role. TM:DET

Jefferson Rojas

Bats: R	Age: 21							
ML C-	1B-	2B-2B	SS-SS	3B-	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25	AA	398	.236	.729	67	11	59	19/3 58/81

A Cubs prospect who advanced from High-A to Double-A last year and saw a serious power outage but continued to take walks and make contact. He's got some power and speed and while he's probably not a major leaguer until 2027 and may not be playing shortstop when he reaches the bigs, his bat will be fine if he moves to second or third. TM:

Johan Rojas

Bats: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$6	24:\$9	25:\$1				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-65	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	PHI	149	.302	.759	24	2	23	14/1 5/42
24	PHI	338	.243	.595	47	3	32	25/4 13/69
25	AAA	147	.279	.696	18	1	13	8/2 13/32
25	PHI	152	.224	.563	23	1	18	12/2 13/40

He's a terrific defender and a good fast base stealer when he's on base, which has given him fantasy value when the Phillies have had him play. But he didn't hit last year and was passed by when the team picked up Harrison Bader at the deadline. This year his nemesis is Justin Crawford, a top prospect, who has made decent contact in the minors and upped his patience game in Triple-A last year. If Rojas finds playing time he should have some fantasy value because of his steals, but there's a real chance he'll be waiting to see if Crawford successfully steps up. TM:PHI

Josh Rojas

Bats: L	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$13	23:\$14	24:\$4	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:\$17	22:\$22	23:\$6	24:\$4	25:-\$6				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-24	SS-0	3B-47	OF-5	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	---	314	.245	.649	47	4	40	12/0 27/81
24	SEA	422	.225	.639	48	8	31	10/4 46/108
25	CHW	189	.180	.510	14	2	11	4/1 19/48

Was released by the White Sox last August and didn't sign elsewhere. He's defensively versatile but offensively limited, more of a waiver claim or as a reserve if he's playing. TM:KCR

Miguel Rojas

Bats: R	Age: 37	\$2						
YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$11	23:\$4	24:\$1	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$18	22:\$8	23:\$3	24:\$10	25:\$6	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-68	SS-22	3B-23	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	LAD	385	.236	.622	49	5	31	8/3 26/48
24	LAD	307	.283	.746	41	6	36	8/2 23/34
25	LAD	290	.262	.712	35	7	27	5/0 24/46
26	LAD	178	.256	.682	22	4	19	3

He's said this is his last season and he's

likely to fill a similar role as the last three in LA, playing any position in the infield ably when needed. His fantasy value has always depended on his batting average because he put the ball in play a lot. With far fewer at bats with the Dodgers he can still be a fantasy positive, but a frustrating one. He's not a player for draft day but a waiver wire call worth a shot depending on who is ailing in the Dodger infield. TM:LAD

Drew Romo

Bats: B	Age: 25	\$2						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-1	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	343	.297	.845	7	14	60	3/1 16/66
24	COL	51	.176	.443	4	0	6	0/1 2/18
25	AAA	236	.258	.716	30	7	24	3/1 19/64

Claimed by the White Sox in the offseason. He's a good field no power catcher who might hit a little, but he's newly on a team that has two young catchers, one of whom is DHing, and a backup backstop, so he's likely to get stuck in Triple-A. TM:CHW

Brent Rooker

Bats: R	Age: 32	\$26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$9	25:\$28	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:	23:\$15	24:\$37	25:\$25	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-27	DH-135		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	463	.246	.825	61	30	69	4/0 49/172
24	OAK	546	.293	.927	82	39	112	11/3 59/177
25	ATH	626	.262	.814	92	30	89	6/1 65/155
26	ATH	591	.268	.838	89	35	99	7

It's unfair to ask a guy who has hit 30 or more homers each of the last three years where his power went, but his ISO last year was the lowest since he began playing regularly. So where did it go? He hit more balls less hard and on the ground than he did in 2024, so while he had more plate appearances and more barrels they left the yard at a much lower rate. He also was more disciplined about balls out of the zone, more aggressive in the zone, and improved his contact skills considerably. Given his status as a late bloomer there is an increased risk of rapid decline, but his adjustments last year seem to favor improving his long-term prospects after he struggled earlier with strikeouts. On an improving Athletics team context alone could boost his fantasy value if he gets on base enough. TM:ATH

JEFF WINICK PICK: DH status was the only reason not to go all in - and now he qualifies in the outfield.

Ben Rortved

Bats: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:	23:-\$7	24:\$0	25:-\$7				
ML C-44	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	NYF	68	.118	.461	6	2	4	0/0 11/19
24	TBR	290	.228	.621	27	3	31	1/0 34/88
25	AAA	117	.205	.633	16	3	11	0/1 14/43
25	---	112	.152	.440	9	1	10	0/0 11/23

TM:CIN

Amed Rosario

Bats: R	Age: 31	\$2						
YR/C 21:\$10	22:\$18	23:\$20	24:\$10	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$32	23:\$14	24:\$9	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-17	SS-1	3B-33	OF-6	DH-3		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	---	510	.263	.689	70	6	58	15/2 29/99
24	---	332	.280	.686	29	3	32	13/5 9/73
25	---	181	.276	.745	20	6	23	1/0 7/31
26	NYF	263	.266	.681	29	5	29	7

For a couple of years there with the Guardians he was a productive regular, but he's been traded each year since and produced less and less just as he's reaching the end of his 20s. He's not a patient hitter but he used to put the ball in play with a little snap and steal a base from time to time. He hit the ball hard last year but he didn't run and his speed score plummeted. His defense is helpful all over the field, which is why he'll be rostered, but unless he runs he's unlikely to have a significant fantasy role even in AL only leagues. TM:NYF

Esteury Ruiz

Bats: R	Age: 27	\$4						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$13	24:\$18	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$22	24:-\$2	25:	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-17	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	OAK	449	.254	.649	47	5	47	67/13 20/99
24	OAK	55	.200	.643	10	2	8	5/4 4/20
25	AAA	411	.304	.918	97	16	61	63/11 64/89

The Dodgers parlayed a big season in the PCL for Ruiz into a young pitcher they might be able to develop into a major leaguer down the road. Ruiz has shown he can be fantasy valuable if he's given major league playing time because he runs, but he hasn't turned the lessons learned from the Athletics demotion of him two years ago into a better approach at the plate. At least not in the major leagues. But if the Marlins play him he'll get on base enough to steal bases, maybe a lot of bases. TM:MIA

Keibert Ruiz

Bats: B	Age: 28	\$4						
YR/C 21:	22:\$11	23:\$12	24:\$13	25:\$10	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:\$7	23:\$13	24:\$6	25:\$0	Bid Price			
ML C-66	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	WSN	523	.260	.721	55	18	67	1/1 31/58
24	WSN	459	.229	.619	46	13	57	3/1 16/54
25	WSN	255	.247	.595	19	2	25	0/2 8/26
26	WSN	299	.241	.627	29	7	35	2

His season ended in July when he was knocked out by a line drive to the head while he was hanging out in the dugout, leading to a lengthy concussion protocol. Prior to the freakish injury he was making his usual maximum contact but barely driving the ball, hitting grounders at a career high pace. Catchers are already vulnerable to head trauma because they take so much of it, so while Ruiz is expected to be okay for spring training there is some chance he won't be. And there is some chance, if he is, that his declining hitting attack is going to derail his career. A bounce back is possible but far from a sure thing. TM:WSN

Player Name

Dalton Rushing

\$3

Bats: L	Age: 25										
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$1	2026					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	-\$2	Bid Price					
ML C-41	1B-8	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
24	---	420	.271	.896	69	26	85	2/3	64/103		
25	AAA	118	.314	.953	26	5	19	1/0	26/32		
25	LAD	142	.204	.582	15	4	24	0/0	10/58		
26	LAD	155	.219	.659	20	6	22	1			

A top catching prospect, he was called up in May to serve as backup up for eternal Dodger star Will Smith, who doesn't appear to be going anywhere. He didn't hit but worked defensively until a shin injury in September ended his season. Coming up he was a patient hitter who made a decent amount of contact, but after his call-up he struggled and swung and missed a lot, a classic reversal for passive hitters, which led to an explosion of strikeouts both swinging and called. The Dodgers say they're going to try to get him playing time in the outfield, but first he's going to have to prove that his hitting skills translate to the majors. That bar isn't high for a catcher, but it is for a left fielder. TM:LAD

Adley Rutschman

\$16

Bats: B	Age: 28										
YR/C 21:	22:\$8	23:\$21	24:\$25	25:\$22	2026						
YR/E 21:	22:\$13	23:\$21	24:\$15	25:\$0	Bid Price						
ML C-73	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-18					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	BAL	588	.277	.817	84	20	80	1/2	92/101		
24	BAL	571	.250	.709	68	19	79	1/0	58/103		
25	BAL	322	.220	.673	37	9	29	0/0	40/57		
26	BAL	504	.248	.726	66	17	64	1			

His slow-drain decline the last three years has a lot of fantasy players anguished about his future, and that anguish wasn't helped by his struggles staying healthy last year. Oblique injuries are painful, slow to heal, and affect baseball skills like bat swinging until they completely clear up. But a closer look at Rutschman's game shows something curious. In his four years of major league play, during which he's gone from Orioles savior to Samuel Basallo kicking him to the curb, he's been remarkably consistent. He's hit the ball roughly the same amount of the time with the same hardness to the same parts of the field, but what has varied has been the outcomes. That is, the decline in his BABIP each year has tracked with his declines in batting average and slugging percentage. He doesn't hit the ball that hard, never has, so it's possible teams are defending him better, but it's just as likely he's been the victim of bad luck. The Orioles say he's their catcher this year, Basallo will see most of his time at first base and DH, so expectations should be set based on Rutschman's skills. He's not a power hitter, but if he plays enough he can hit 20 homers with a good batting average and drive in some runs. That's not the future star we thought we were seeing a few years ago, but it's still an upper tier catcher. TM:BAL

DAVE ADLER PICK: Skills are consistent with previous years; main issue last year was oblique injuries. BA was also hampered by low BABIP. Could be a buying opportunity; if healthy, a rebound is likely.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Had a lot of injuries

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and I think 2025 should get a mulligan. He can still be what he was projected to be out of college and 2026 will be a redemption tour. **JEFF WINICK PAN:** The pedigree vastly exceeds the price. Let someone else chase the dream of what might have been.

Thomas Saggese

\$2

Bats: R	Age: 24										
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026						
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$2	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-35	SS-33	3B-18	OF-0	DH-1					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
24	AAA	479	.253	.759	13	20	67	9/4	31/122		
25	AAA	164	.317	.847	34	5	24	5/4	23/45		
25	STL	275	.258	.636	25	2	25	3/0	16/83		
26	STL	322	.243	.642	34	6	34	4			

He's fast and he hit the ball pretty hard last year, which led to a decent batting average but without him showing the power and speed he's shown in the minors. But they might come. More concerning is his persistent high strikeout and low walk profile, which has tracked with him through his minor league career. He's still young and might figure out a way to get to better pitches to hit, and should get the time to do so on the rebuilding Cardinals. TM:STL

Ethan Salas

Bats: L	Age: 20										
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	A	254	.248	.763	40	9	41	5/3	30/75		
24	A+	412	.206	.613	3	4	53	10/3	47/98		

He missed most of 2025 with a stress reaction in his lower back, which can't be good for a catcher, but in the offseason got healthy and should be ready for spring training. He's still young and having missed a year of development his forward advancement is a bit up in the air but it would be a surprise to see him this year. He has not developed as quickly or as persuasively as the Padres hoped when they signed him as a 17 year old, and is presently considered a glove-first backstop with a less-than-exciting bat. TM:SDP

Cesar Salazar

Bats: L	Age: 30										
ML C-8	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	AAA	173	.191	.637	21	2	16	3/0	31/33		
24	AAA	261	.253	.801	10	8	50	1/2	45/45		
25	AAA	150	.213	.703	21	5	18	2/0	24/32		
26	HOU	145	.217	.607	17	3	16	1			

If he holds onto the backup catcher job he'll have an extended chance to match his good contact skills against major league pitching. In 68 major league plate appearances spread over three years it hasn't gone well, but strong defensive skills may give him another chance this year. TM:HOU

Gary Sanchez

\$1

Bats: R	Age: 34										
YR/C 21:	22:\$12	23:\$9	24:\$5	25:\$2	2026						
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$4	24:\$2	25:-\$1	Bid Price						
ML C-22	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-7					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	---	240	.217	.788	33	19	47	0/0	21/67		
24	MIL	245	.220	.699	30	11	37	0/0	27/76		
25	BAL	91	.231	.715	13	5	24	0/0	4/27		
26	---	262	.221	.676	33	12	40	1			

To the extent a team can tolerate his absences because of injuries and his deficits

defensively, it can benefit from his power swing. Last year the absences and deficits won out, and in this offseason he must be sitting on the edge between landing another backup job or moving on in some other way. It won't all be his choice. If he's on a roster he's worth a buck for the power. TM:---

Jesus Sanchez

\$10

Bats: L	Age: 29										
YR/C 21:	22:\$12	23:\$3	24:\$6	25:\$10	2026						
YR/E 21:	\$4	22:\$6	23:\$8	24:\$17	25:\$10	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-128	DH-4					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	MIA	360	.253	.778	43	14	52	3/1	38/107		
24	MIA	489	.252	.730	60	18	64	16/2	41/140		
25	---	451	.237	.699	61	14	48	13/3	42/110		
26	HOU	404	.247	.727	54	15	52	11			

He hits the ball hard but too often on the ground to generate a fantasy friendly number of homers, and while he steals some bases he's not fast enough to hope for him to steal more. And he's a blank against lefties, which limits his upside potential. Maybe there is a career year coming up but for the time being count on him being what he is. TM:HOU
MIKE PODHORZER PICK: A full season in one of baseball's best parks for left-handed home runs should nearly guarantee a rebound in HR/FB rate. With double digit stolen bases the past two seasons as well, he makes for an excellent bounce back candidate coming off a disappointing year.

Javier Sanoja

\$4

Bats: R	Age: 24										
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026						
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	Bid Price						
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-34	SS-10	3B-41	OF-47	DH-1					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
24	AAA	493	.286	.778	2	7	65	17/7	47/36		
25	MIA	313	.243	.680	40	6	38	6/5	19/41		
26	MIA	206	.251	.672	25	4	23	5			

Adopted a jack of all trades role with Miami last year and managed to walk more and make more contact. He also hit six homers, three in one two-day stretch in August, which was unexpected, and he managed to get caught five times in 11 steals attempts, which undermines one avenue for value. He's young and small, listed at 5'7 and 150 pounds, so doesn't project as a home run hitter. Other small young hitters have wrecked their basic skills by trying to hit that way. For now, Sanoja has a versatile and effective enough defensive skill set that he'll have time to develop the hitting side as best he can. TM:MIA

Carlos Santana

Bats: B	Age: 40										
YR/C 21:	\$17	22:\$8	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:\$9						
YR/E 21:	\$8	22:\$3	23:\$15	24:\$13	25:\$4						
ML C-0	1B-102	2B-0	SS-0	3B-1	OF-0	DH-19					
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K			
23	---	550	.240	.754	78	23	86	6/0	65/104		
24	MIN	521	.238	.749	63	23	71	4/0	65/99		
25	---	415	.219	.633	49	11	54	7/0	52/91		
26	---	296	.223	.670	35	10	38	3			

Still got a good eye and contact skills, but without power. Will someone give him a job this year? TM:---

JEFF WINICK PAN: All good things come to end and at 40, whether he knows it or not, the end is here.

Anthony Santander **\$19**

Bats: B Age: 32

YR/C	21:\$18	22:\$9	23:\$19	24:\$19	25:\$23	2026		
YR/E	21:\$9	22:\$19	23:\$21	24:\$23	25:\$5	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22	DH-30		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	BAL	.591	.257	.803	81	28	95	5/1 55/152
24	BAL	.595	.235	.814	91	44	102	2/0 58/129
25	TOR	.194	.175	.565	16	6	18	0/0 25/61
26	TOR	.504	.225	.724	67	27	75	2

Signed a big deal with the Blue Jays, got off to a very bad start, struggled with nagging shoulder and hip injuries after falling into the stands in Anaheim in the middle of May, and hit the IL late in the month after going hitless in five straight games. He received platelet enriched injections and was supposed to come back within weeks, but didn't make it until the end of September. He played in five postseason games but was then shut down with back issues. In other words, a big signing and a big bust. Before the injuries he was a durable and productive power hitter with decent strikezone control who made a strong contact. He's unlikely to match 2024's lucky homer total (xHR = 36.5) again, but he should regain his footing if his body doesn't again betray him. TM:TOR

DAVE ADLER PICK: Shoulder injury seemed to impact him when he tried to play through it. Unlikely to match 2024 output, but if healthy, 30 HR is attainable.

Nolan Schanuel **\$13**

Bats: L Age: 24

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$13	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$13	25:\$13	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-132	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	LAA	109	.275	.732	19	1	6	0/0 20/19
24	LAA	519	.250	.703	62	13	54	10/1 68/103
25	LAA	488	.264	.740	64	12	53	5/1 59/71
26	LAA	530	.259	.714	70	13	57	7

The 2023 first rounder, No. 11 overall, saw 97 minor league plate appearances before he was promoted to the big club that year. He was maybe the first in the Angels plan to aggressively promote their top prospects to the big club, and you can see him gradually developing as a hitter. He's added a little power and been a little more aggressive each year, while continuing to make a lot of contact. He's hit the ball harder though you wouldn't say he was hurting the ball. In the Roto Age, since 1980, there have been 114 seasons in which a player under 25 years old walked more than 10 percent of the time and struck out less than 20 percent, as Schanuel has the last two years. The cohort at the top of the list ranked by OPS is a pretty heady group, including Albert Pujols thrice, Alex Rodriguez, Ken Griffey Jr., Prince Fielder, Frank Thomas, Juan Soto, Miguel Cabrera, Mike Trout, Miguel Cabrera. Those near the bottom of the list, where Schanuel shows up twice, include Chuck Knoblauch, Anthony Rizzo, Jason Heyward, Todd Zeile, Tim Lincecum and Corbin Carroll. Schanuel is in good company and is on track for a nice career, but he doesn't have good speed and unless he adds more power he's a boring player in only leagues and likely a reserve in mixed. TM:LAA

Casey Schmitt **\$7**

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:\$0	25:\$4	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-18	2B-53	SS-1	3B-26	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	SFG	.253	.206	.588	28	5	30	2/1 13/65
24	SFG	.107	.252	.760	11	6	16	0/0 4/25
25	SFG	.312	.237	.705	34	12	40	0/0 27/83
26	SFG	.376	.237	.681	43	13	47	2

He had wrist surgery in early December and is expected to be back right around the time to report to spring training. He's shown himself to be an aggressive hitter who isn't afraid to go after pitches out of the zone if they suit him, so while he makes plenty of contact he also strikes out a fair amount. Assuming he's healthy and has a normal camp he could play regularly this season and hit for some power but be a liability in on-base percentage leagues because of his swing-first approach. TM:SFG

Daniel Schneemann **\$1**

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$2	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-74	SS-11	3B-27	OF-38	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	180	.294	.983	1	10	39	4/3 41/52
24	CLE	193	.218	.671	17	5	22	3/2 25/70
25	CLE	379	.206	.636	48	12	41	9/3 38/117
26	CLE	168	.213	.640	20	5	18	4

Diverse defensive skills and impressive minor league plate discipline don't really explain how Schneemann got 422 plate appearances on a playoff bound team. He's patient and works walks but he's struck out too often in the majors to have value. Of course the Guardians also have Angel Martinez and Jonathan Rodriguez on their bench, who profile similarly, so maybe the Cleveland team has a type. Schneemann is older, however, and less likely to find a way to hit better. Still, if he's playing as much this year he'll likely be the best guy available on waivers some weeks. TM:CLE

Davis Schneider **\$4**

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$5	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$1	25:\$4	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-24	SS-0	3B-1	OF-59	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	TOR	116	.276	1.008	23	8	20	1/0 21/43
24	TOR	397	.191	.625	48	13	46	6/0 47/144
25	AAA	133	.226	.741	17	4	18	3/1 24/46
25	TOR	188	.234	.797	33	11	31	3/1 36/60
26	TOR	253	.214	.696	36	11	34	4

He showed some improvement last year across the board, but he's going to have a hard time escaping a platoon role, not that he deserves it, on a team increasingly stacked with hitters. With good patience and a bit of power and lots of walks he can be productive even with the low batting average his strikeout propensity pretty much ensures. TM:TOR

Max Schuemann

Bats: R Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:-\$3			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-39	SS-24	3B-27	OF-13	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	OAK	396	.220	.615	55	7	34	14/1 47/119
25	ATH	183	.197	.564	20	2	13	7/1 22/35

Spent most of the year on the Athletics roster but played infrequently and was sent to the minors in late August. He has a bit of pop and some speed but his value comes from his versatile and effective defense. He cut down on his strikeouts last year while continuing to take bases on balls, a worthy improvement, but he hit the ball less sharply and saw his batting average sink. If he's playing he might be a good waiver pickup, but there is a fair chance he won't be playing. TM:ATH

Kyle Schwarber **\$30**

Bats: L Age: 33

YR/C	21:\$16	22:\$19	23:\$29	24:\$23	25:\$25	2026		
YR/E	21:\$18	22:\$22	23:\$13	24:\$27	25:\$33	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-8	DH-154		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	PHI	.585	.197	.821	108	47	104	0/2 126/215
24	PHI	.573	.248	.851	110	38	104	5/3 106/197
25	PHI	.604	.240	.928	111	56	132	10/2 108/197
26	PHI	.570	.237	.858	103	44	109	6

There was nothing cheap about his career year. He hit the ball harder and higher than ever while sacrificing just a little contact, partly because he was more aggressive on two-strike counts leading to fewer backward Ks. There is no measure of any of his component parts that shouts good luck in last year's results, but those results came because of small improvements in most of the components. So it's possible he's going to maintain those changes, while at the same time noting that career years are usually followed by years that aren't as good. Call it regression or Plexiglas or karma, expect a little less from Schwarber this year because that's the way the ball bounces. TM:PHI

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: The skills here are truly fabulous, but there's only one direction a 33-year-old could go after a career year. A regression in FB% can exacerbate the return to Earth.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: He's utility-only in some formats, outfield-eligible in some others. All I know is, he's a screaming value in Round 2. The power is elite, the run production is excellent, and he hasn't been a major batting average drain for two years. He could be a zero in the steals column, but he can steal 10 if he wants (last year, he wanted to). The leadoff spot maximizes the volume. I will make sure I have some shares this summer.

Victor Scott II **\$8**

Bats: L Age: 25

YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$5	24:	25:\$8	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$4	25:\$8	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-138	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24	AAA	314	.210	.608	3	6	30	30/5 36/57
24	STL	145	.179	.502	14	2	10	5/1 6/42
25	STL	398	.216	.595	54	5	37	34/4 42/111
26	STL	499	.216	.588	62	8	44	35

One of the fastest guys in the majors, with the defensive chops that go along with that skill. He also has one of the weakest bats, apart from a solid eye that might compel you to roster him in OBP leagues. He did improve at the plate last year so there has to be hope for future gains, and the steals should come because the Cardinals need his centerfield presence, which makes him fantasy

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rosterable even in BA leagues. He should be a target for cheap steals, especially if you're dumping batting average. TM:STL

Corey Seager

\$23

Bats: L Age: 32

YR/C	21:\$28	22:\$23	23:\$28	24:\$29	25:\$28	2026
YR/E	21:\$16	22:\$22	23:\$36	24:\$23	25:\$15	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-97	3B-0	OF-0	DH-5
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	TEX	477	.327	1.024	88	33 96 2/1 49/88
24	TEX	475	.278	.864	68	30 74 1/1 53/96
25	TEX	380	.271	.860	61	21 50 3/0 58/87
26	TEX	489	.276	.853	75	29 78 3

He's injury prone. He's had one season since 2018 in which he played more or less full time. Last season he had hamstring issues early in the year, bounced back but then went down with surgery to remove his appendix in August and that was that. When he's playing he's patient, makes good contact and hits the ball hard. But you have to figure that he's going to miss time, which makes him more valuable in shallower leagues, and less valuable in AL only and other deep leagues, where he's hard to replace. TM:TEX

Marcus Semien

\$12

Bats: R Age: 36

YR/C	21:\$22	22:\$28	23:\$29	24:\$30	25:\$22	2026
YR/E	21:\$35	22:\$30	23:\$33	24:\$17	25:\$10	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-127	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	TEX	670	.276	.832	122	29 100 14/3 72/110
24	TEX	650	.237	.699	101	23 74 8/3 64/105
25	TEX	470	.230	.669	62	15 62 11/1 50/93
26	NYM	574	.239	.696	80	20 71 10

He had a terrible start to last season but had nearly righted the ship when he fractured his foot by fouling a ball off it that ended his season early. Thus ended a seven-season, skipping the COVID short season, streak of 700 plate appearances or more. It's doubtful he'll return to that everyday bat role going ahead because of his age and the aches and pains that come in one's late 30s. But he seems perfectly capable of making a fair amount of contact going forward, with some power, with his ultimate value coming from how much he plays and if his production falls as he ages. Note that Citi Field is a slightly better park for hitting than Globe Life Field, but the last two years are cautionary about a return to elite levels for Semien. He will be in a better lineup, but price accordingly. TM:NYM
PATRICK DAVITT PAN: You hate to kick a guy when he's down. But coming off a career-worst fantasy season at age 35, including a broken foot, is not a proposition to bet on, despite the notorious work ethic.

Jared Serna

Bats: R Age: 24

ML C-	1B-	2B-2B	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24	AAA	514	.251	.763	14	15 82 15/11 56/101
25	AAA	420	.224	.588	58	3 30 20/10 49/75

He mostly spent last year in Double-A with a brief visit to Triple-A and showed good patience and contact skills but not the power he had at the lower levels. He's a fireplug of a player who may turn out to be a second baseman or more likely a utility guy, if he can get more of his many ground balls through the defense. TM:MIA

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Matt Shaw

\$7

Bats: R Age: 25

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$13	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-4	SS-0	3B-124	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24	AAA	443	.284	.880	10	21 71 31/11 62/95
25	CHC	393	.226	.690	57	13 44 17/5 38/94
26	CHC	194	.236	.693	27	6 23 8

Considered one of the top prospects heading into last season, he got off to a terrible start, was demoted briefly and returned on a hot streak. The streak didn't last, but he held on and did a solid job in the second half, hitting 11 homers in 237 plate appearances. Still, he struggled against righties (.649 OPS) and lost some at bats against them, which is a reason not to buy into a breakout season this year. He does have power and speed, but his defensive path to playing time was blocked when the Cubs signed Alex Bregman. Maybe Shaw's struggles with contact last year have the Cubs rethinking his progression. At a lower price because of uncertainty he becomes a more interesting bet. TM:CHC

Gavin Sheets

\$8

Bats: L Age: 30

YR/C	21:	22:\$3	23:\$4	24:\$1	25:\$3	2026
YR/E	21:\$1	22:\$7	23:\$2	24:\$4	25:\$13	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-13	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-64	DH-64
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23	CHW	311	.203	.610	24	10 43 1/0 28/66
24	CHW	451	.233	.660	35	10 45 2/2 43/106
25	SDP	492	.252	.746	57	19 71 2/1 44/107
26	SDP	498	.240	.691	55	16 63 3

He was much the same hitter last year as he was the year before, except that he hit the ball hard and better things happened. That seems like a reproducible approach but caution is advised. Sheet's big improvement came in the first months of the season, when he hit 34.9 percent of balls hard, while in the second half that dropped back down to his 2024 level of 27.7 percent hard hit. Maybe the slowdown was a result of a play that had him crashing into the wall at full speed chasing after a home run early in June, which put a gash in his head, gave him a painfully bruised hip, and a jammed wrist and thumb. After he passed the concussion protocol he was able to pinch hit the next day and was soon back playing regularly, but he hit more softly the next few months. If Sheets can sustain his hard-hitting ways for a full season, he'd probably produce more than he did last year, but it's also possible he'll revert to his 2024 style and be very marginal for fantasy. Given his age and experience betting somewhere in between is probably wisest. TM:SDP

Zack Short

Bats: R Age: 31

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:\$1	22:	23:\$2	24:\$6	25:\$3
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-22	3B-0	OF-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	DET	221	.204	.632	17
24	---	70	.129	.444	11
25	AAA	385	.200	.705	55
26	HOU	50	.220	.666	9

He's got a season's worth of plate appearances behind him with a .594 OPS, 15 homers and 10 steals while striking out 29.7

percent of the time. Signed with the Yankees to a minor league contract, he's behind a lot of middle infielders who also play the outfield. He would seem to soon be behind George Lombard when he's promoted to Triple-A, too. TM:NY

Michael Siani

Bats: L Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-17
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	AAA	409	.227	.703	69
24	STL	298	.228	.561	42
25	AAA	368	.209	.633	64

TM:LAD

Ronny Simon

Bats: B Age: 26

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$-3
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-9	SS-1	3B-0	OF-13
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR
23	AA	480	.250	.747	82
24	AAA	466	.283	.791	7
25	AAA	259	.297	.841	43
26	---	77	.234	.568	10

Dropped from the Pirates 40-man after last season, but he's invited to spring training this year. He had shoulder surgery but is expected to be ready during spring training. TM:

Chandler Simpson

\$17

Bats: L Age: 26

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$21	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-105	DH-3
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24	AA	451	.355	.813	0	1 29 104/17 44/43
25	AAA	144	.333	.761	24	0 14 19/3 9/15
26	TBR	414	.295	.667	53	0 26 44/12 20/43
27	TBR	404	.283	.665	51	1 30 39

On his longest hit ball last year, a triple off of an 83.1 mph hanging slider from Andre Granillo, Simpson jerked the batting practice quality pitch almost to the warning track in right-center. It was a big looping hit that went 354 feet and would have been a fly out if the fielders weren't shaded to the left field side of the outfield and playing shallow. That scouting report isn't because Simpson hit the ball the opposite way more than pulled it, but was an attempt to hold him to a single on the grounders that get through the infield. Because that's Simpson's game: Make contact, hit the ball on the ground, and run. And he can run. And he can hit for average, because he puts so many balls into play, but he doesn't walk which makes him a tough fit for the top of the order. He hit .275 batting leadoff last year, but with just a .303 OBP. That's going to limit his value because he's not going to see as many at bats, as many times on base, nor as many times scoring. Maybe he'll get more patient, or maybe, like Juan Pierre, he'll get so many hits his OBP ended up around .350, making him a good choice to lead off. For the time being, come for the steals and a solid batting average and the rest will be gravy. TM:TBR

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: There was a time when major league teams were willing to ignore subpar offensive and defensive contributions and let a guy like Simpson eat

on the basepaths, but that time was 2015. If Simpson gets 50+ steals he'll be worth it in almost any Roto format but there are so many ways to see this going sideways and it isn't a particularly hot take to suggest that he'll be on the bench or in the minors by July.

Austin Slater

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$2	24:\$1	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:\$11	23:\$2	24:\$2	25:\$2				
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-53	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	185	.270	.748	24	5	20	2/2	20/58
24 ---	177	.209	.586	24	2	18	3/2	26/60
25 ---	148	.216	.640	22	5	13	1/0	11/51
26 ---	172	.222	.641	23	5	18		3

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Cam Smith

Bats: R Age: 23

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-132	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AA	115	.313	1.019	2	7	24	2/1	15/24
25 HOU	441	.236	.671	55	9	51	8/1	43/137
26 HOU	388	.239	.675	50	10	45		6

He was the prize in the Kyle Tucker trade to the Cubs in 2024 and he rode a hot spring to a surprising spot in the Astros lineup out of camp. He got off to a slow start last year but was meeting expectations in May and June before struggling in the second half. The Astros say he needs to be more consistent and suggest he could start this season in the minors, which could be an admission that he wasn't ready last year after only 34 minor league games, but another way of looking at it is that he had lots of luck on balls in play in May and June and no luck at all on similar balls after the All Star break. Some of that was surely because he didn't hit the ball as hard after the break, perhaps a sign that he was wearing down. Of more concern are his struggles versus righties. A .617 OPS against is not sustainable for a corner outfielder.

Smith is young and talented, made the shift to the outfield nimbly, and will get every chance to up his game. He's also in a good position to do that. But his position is a little uncertain this year, making him a target if he's cheap. There's too much risk to assume his next step forward comes now. TM:HOU

ALEX PATTON PAN: Held his own in the first half, then had a .489 OPS Post All-Star.

Dominic Smith

Bats: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:\$8	23:\$2	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:\$8	24:\$2	25:\$5				
ML C-0	1B-53	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 WSN	527	.254	.696	57	12	46	1/1	47/91
24 ---	275	.233	.691	33	6	34	1/1	28/76
25 AAA	165	.255	.782	26	8	28	4/0	20/30
25 SFG	204	.284	.750	26	5	33	2/0	15/42
26 ---	264	.244	.676	31	7	33		2

He can still hit righties when he's healthy, but will he get the chance? TM:---

Josh Smith

Bats: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$4	24:\$16	25:\$11	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-27	2B-4	SS-60	3B-32	OF-17	DH-11		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TEX	195	.185	.634	29	6	15	1/0	25/55
24 TEX	523	.258	.730	67	13	62	11/2	46/121
25 TEX	495	.251	.698	70	10	35	12/3	55/100
26 TEX	416	.246	.679	55	10	42		9

He's carved out a spot for himself in Texas as a utilityman, on the field most days playing all the positions except behind the plate. He's been modestly productive too, just about average across the board, which has value if you don't overspend. He is vulnerable to playing time issues if he slumps or the Rangers find shinier new toys to favor. TM:TEX

Pavin Smith

Bats: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:\$9	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$15	22:\$2	23:\$3	24:\$5	25:\$5	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-36	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-48		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ARI	191	.188	.640	26	7	30	1/1	35/45
24 ARI	137	.270	.896	26	9	36	1/0	18/31
25 ARI	244	.258	.796	36	8	28	2/2	41/92
26 ARI	377	.242	.738	53	14	53		3

Oblique and quad injuries caused him to miss most of the second half of the season, but the alarming thing is how he struck out much more than ever before. His contact rate, usually around 80 percent, dropped to 70.9 percent, with a drop on contact in the zone from 90.5 percent to 80.5. His swinging strike rate jumped from 7.9 percent to 11.8 percent, a total rewriting of his hitting profile (or rather, swinging profile) without any other apparent changes. He's in the mix to be the D-Backs starting first baseman against righties, which could make him a bargain, but if those struggles continue he may not be long for that job. TM:ARI

Will Smith

Bats: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:\$21	23:\$24	24:\$20	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$19	23:\$16	24:\$15	25:\$18	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-1011	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 LAD	464	.261	.818	80	19	76	3/0	63/89
24 LAD	476	.248	.760	77	20	75	1/1	51/105
25 LAD	362	.296	.901	64	17	61	2/3	64/89
26 LAD	429	.265	.802	69	20	68		2

Credit the jump in his batting average to some BABIP luck, but he also hit the ball harder last year and was much more controlled swinging less on pitches out of the zone. He missed time at the end of the season with a hairline fracture in his hand, which didn't keep him from slugging the World Series winning homer, but he also sat a bit more during the season because of the arrival of catching prospect Daulton Rushing. The Dodgers have a rather substantial future commitment to Smith, which could mean Rushing is traded or Smith will continue to have fewer at bats. In either case, he's a top catching performer in OBP leagues and a steady offensive presence everywhere else. TM:LAD

Tyler Soderstrom

Bats: L Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$9	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$1	25:\$25	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-49	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-108	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 OAK	125	.160	.479	9	3	7	0/0	11/43
24 OAK	189	.233	.743	18	9	26	0/0	20/53
25 ATH	561	.276	.820	75	25	93	8/3	55/141
26 ATH	527	.256	.766	70	24	79		5

Improving contact skills as he rounds into maturity is a good sign. His approach is meh, he doesn't walk as much as you'd like but he's still young and getting better at the major league level and striking out less year after year is meaningful. He hits the ball hard, but not that hard, so while there's a chance at growth this year expect a more modest one than the one he took last year. TM:ATH

Nick Sogard

Bats: B Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2				
ML C-0	1B-12	2B-8	SS-2	3B-9	OF-3	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	368	.283	.844	3	13	59	10/6	64/90
24 BOS	77	.273	.650	13	0	8	3/0	7/25
25 AAA	340	.276	.776	64	5	28	16/4	64/73
25 BOS	96	.260	.661	13	0	9	2/1	5/24
26 BOS	225	.238	.637	28	3	23		6

His approach seems to reckon with his shortcomings, taking lots of pitches and striking out a lot but getting a lot of hits when he swings. That's probably good luck in small samples rather than a skill and portends a more doomy batting average in the future. TM:BOS

Jorge Soler

Bats: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:	22:\$17	23:\$16	24:\$10	25:\$16	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$19	24:\$14	25:\$1	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-40	DH-37		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIA	504	.250	.860	77	36	75	1/0	66/141
24 ---	493	.241	.778	84	21	64	1/0	68/141
25 LAA	279	.215	.679	31	12	34	0/0	28/94
26 LAA	483	.230	.733	67	23	67		1

He struggled with back issues last year until he was shut down late in July and missed the rest of the season. He was reportedly healthy in late September and expects to be good to go for spring training. He's a legit power hitter but back issues and other injuries have cost him playing time and sapped his power at times over the years. His contact issues are significant, he struck out nearly 30 percent of the time last year and in 2022, the last time he missed significant time because of injuries, but his discipline profile has been significantly better when he's been healthy. Probably a reserve pick in a 15-team mixed, he could be a blast or a bust in AL only. TM:LAA

Sung-Mun Song

Bats: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 KBO	527	.340	.927	88	19	104	21/0	64/82
25 KBO	574	.315	.917	90	26	68	25/2	68/96
26 SDP	316	.236	.648	34	5	32	8/1	22/52

Korean import plays third, second, and first and projects as a utility guy supporting the Padres infielders. He was a modest producer

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in the KBO until 2024 when he put up a .900+ OPS, then did it again in 2025. He showed some power and good strikezone judgement and contact skills that will be tested in the majors this year. TM:SDP

Edmundo Sosa										
Bats: R		Age: 30		\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026					
YR/E 21:\$7	22:\$0	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$8	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-33	SS-19	3B-33	OF-3	DH-1				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 PHI	.279	.251	.720	34	10	30	4/2	8/74		
24 PHI	.249	.257	.732	39	7	31	7/1	13/66		
25 PHI	.243	.276	.772	30	11	39	1/1	10/56		
26 PHI	.173	.254	.701	23	6	23	3			

Plays wherever and whenever he's needed, though he's more productive against lefties. But he's solid in the field at many positions and productive at the bat bringing a little power and speed to the bottom of the order. Not much upside, but in an NL only not much cost. TM:PHI

Lenyn Sosa										
Bats: R		Age: 26		\$10						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$2	2026					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$5	25:\$17	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-42	2B-99	SS-0	3B-3	OF-0	DH-11				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 CHW	.164	.201	.573	12	6	14	0/1	5/40		
24 CHW	.351	.254	.641	28	8	35	3/1	12/77		
25 CHW	.518	.264	.727	57	22	75	2/1	18/127		
26 CHW	.356	.252	.679	37	12	44	2			

He's an aggressive hitter with contact issues, which means hardly any walks and a relative lot of strikeouts, but he swings hard and found new power last year after he returned from a brief IL stint in June with a hip flexor strain. There's no obvious reason he couldn't produce again this year as he did last year, but he's a poor defender, which on a better team might imperil his playing time. He may play regularly but maybe not, and given his aggressive profile he's potentially vulnerable to pitchers who adjust. A repeat of his breakout season is possible, but don't count on it. TM:CHW

Juan Soto										
Bats: L		Age: 28		\$39						
YR/C 21:\$42	22:\$42	23:\$39	24:\$40	25:\$40	2026					
YR/E 21:\$33	22:\$20	23:\$31	24:\$39	25:\$40	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-157	DH-3				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 SDP	.568	.275	.936	97	35	109	12/5	132/129		
24 NYY	.576	.288	.989	128	41	109	7/4	129/119		
25 NYY	.577	.263	.920	120	43	105	38/4	127/137		
26 NYY	.553	.276	.944	113	39	102	21			

The only thing more shocking than his early season slump was the 29 steals he had in the second half of the season. But while the early season struggles will draw the attention, it is the fact that he struck out more than he walked for the first time since 2019 and that his worst month in that regard was September that merits a closer look. He was very successful in September, but some of that was a change in approach by a player famed for his consistent excellence. Statcast says his bat speed slowed and his swing got shorter, which isn't necessarily a bad thing or a harbinger, but might also be an adjustment to accommodate a little age or injury issue. It would be foolish to bet he'll suffer significant decline, but those steals mask the fact that he

was otherwise a \$33 hitter last year. TM:NYY
ROTOROB PAN: Only Aaron Judge is better than Soto in terms of giving you the edge in OBP leagues, and despite seeing his walk rate dip in each of the last four seasons, Soto is still among the best in the biz. Oh, and he's durable, racks up a ton of counting cat numbers and last year managed a career high in homers AND steals (coming out of nowhere to lead the NL). Did we mention he's still just 28?

George Springer										
Bats: R		Age: 37		\$21						
YR/C 21:\$29	22:\$26	23:\$25	24:\$22	25:\$14	2026					
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$27	23:\$21	24:\$11	25:\$37	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-54	DH-82				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 TOR	.613	.258	.735	87	21	72	20/5	60/125		
24 TOR	.545	.220	.674	74	19	56	16/1	60/115		
25 TOR	.498	.309	.954	106	32	84	18/1	69/111		
26 TOR	.521	.262	.793	85	25	72	15			

The mojo missing in recent years in Toronto came roaring back for Springer last year, but only after a scary spring training during which he hit .108 with a .514 OPS. A solid April led to a fine May and an OK June, and then when the Jays needed him for the pennant run he soared, with a 1.121 OPS in the second half. The difference was his strength, hard hitting, and a return to a power launch angle. Really, that's all it takes. He hit the ball the way he did when he was a feared hitter, and not the way he had in recent years, and there's no reason except the creakiness of age to think he can't do it again. But don't count on it. Something nearly always bring peak years down to size the next time. TM:TOR

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Downward trend suddenly turned around and led to arguably the best season of his career. There's more likelihood his performance will be worse than his performance in 2024 than it will be close to his 2025 performance.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Look for some regression from his career season. BABIP correction will pull BA under .300, and recent history doesn't support this level of power.

Jacob Stallings										
Bats: R		Age: 37		\$9						
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$5	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:\$4	2026					
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$2	23:-\$6	24:\$6	25:-\$9	Bid Price					
ML C-40	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 MIA	.241	.191	.569	22	3	20	0/0	27/67		
24 COL	.243	.263	.809	31	9	36	0/0	27/65		
25 ---	.119	.134	.362	5	0	9	0/0	6/40		
26 ---	.136	.211	.598	14	3	15	0			

Giancarlo Stanton										
Bats: R		Age: 37		\$9						
YR/C 21:\$22	22:\$24	23:\$19	24:\$10	25:\$3	2026					
YR/E 21:\$22	22:\$8	23:\$2	24:\$12	25:\$14	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-20	DH-47				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 NYY	.371	.191	.698	43	24	60	0/0	41/124		
24 NYY	.417	.233	.773	49	27	72	0/0	38/143		
25 NYY	.249	.273	.943	36	24	66	0/0	29/96		
26 NYY	.420	.236	.790	56	29	77	1			

He had the sixth highest MaxEV ball last year, which is a bit of a come down for him, but he's been missing time because of injury and no one complains about that anymore.

It's just the way it is. He was super cheap last year because he missed camp with tendinitis in both elbows, a situation that implied the oft-injured slugger was done. But he returned in mid June and slugged 24 homers, the fifth straight year he's reached that number despite all the missed time. His batting average was probably inflated by a little BABIP luck, but he's shown time and a gain that when he's healthy he can rock 'n' sock 'em. TM:NYY

Spencer Steer										
Bats: R		Age: 29		\$17						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$20	25:\$16	2026					
YR/E 21:	22:-\$5	23:\$24	24:\$17	25:\$13	Bid Price					
ML C-0	1B-122	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-11	DH-17				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 CIN	.582	.271	.826	74	23	86	15/3	68/139		
24 CIN	.574	.225	.721	74	20	92	25/3	72/137		
25 CIN	.509	.238	.722	66	21	75	7/1	51/129		
26 CIN	.500	.236	.716	66	19	72	12			

He ominously began last season nursing a shoulder injury that lingered from the 2024 season, and while he didn't land on the IL he suffered a bruised hand on a hit by pitch and a sore and tight neck, all of which led to an underwhelming season. There might be consolation in the fact that his best months were June, after the shoulder injury and before the bruised hand, and September, after a chiropractor rearranged his back. Perhaps the most pressing fantasy question is whether the steals return to his game when healthy. Six of his seven steals came in his healthiest months of May and June, while the seventh came in September. Despite the apparent decline the last two years Steer has a chance of bouncing back to his 2023 heights, a good chance but take any discount you can. TM:CIN

Tyler Stephenson										
Bats: R		Age: 30		\$9						
YR/C 21:	22:\$13	23:\$16	24:\$9	25:\$10	2026					
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$6	23:\$7	24:\$15	25:\$5	Bid Price					
ML C-69	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-17				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K		
23 CIN	.465	.243	.698	59	13	56	0/1	47/135		
24 CIN	.457	.258	.782	69	19	66	1/0	48/117		
25 CIN	.299	.231	.737	40	13	50	0/1	37/116		
26 CIN	.395	.242	.724	53	15	56	1			

He fell apart last year, striking out like never before by swinging more at balls out of the zone and at fewer in the zone and not making as much contact as he has historically against either. Maybe it was the oblique injury that cost him the start of the season and from which he didn't return until early May that undermined him. He did have a hot September after missing two weeks with a bruised thumb, though even then he struck out 31.5 percent of the time. Stephenson's good patience persisted even as his swing and miss increased, an indication that an attempt to add loft to his swing went awry, offering some hope he'll rebound this year. TM:CIN

Sal Stewart

\$14

Bats:	R	Age:	23				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	-\$1	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-11	2B-0	SS-0	3B-6	OF-0	DH-0	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25	AAA	437	.309	.907	78	20 80 17/3 46/77	
23	CIN	55	.255	.839	11	5 8 0/0 3/15	
26	CIN	493	.256	.751	66	21 69 7	

The youngster made his major league debut in September, filling in for a few different Reds at a few different positions. His calling card is a top-notch hit tool that with good plate discipline and contact skills has had him making lots of contact on his way up through the minors. That did not carry over to his time in the majors last year, where he walked much less and struck out much more than previously. But he had only 165 Triple-A plate appearances behind him. And he did hit five homers in 58 plate appearances for the Reds. Perhaps it doesn't need to be said that he hit the ball hard, but he did. There are concerns about his defense and talk about his becoming a DH, but his first order this year is to figure out how to work major league pitchers and the count the way he did in the minors. If he does he should have a very bright future very soon. TM:CIN

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: Playing time is going to be a question mark, but he owns such intriguing skills, he's worth speculating on. With power and speed, along with consistently better than average strikeout rates, the correct move is to roster him cheaply and cross your fingers he settles into a regular job.

Trevor Story

\$24

Bats:	R	Age:	34				
YR/C 21:	\$36	22:\$24	23:\$4	24:\$17	25:\$12	2026	
YR/E 21:	\$23	22:\$12	23:\$2	24:\$0	25:\$30	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-15	63B-0	OF-0	DH-1	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	BOS	158	.203	.566	12	3 14 10/3 9/55	
24	BOS	94	.255	.733	8	2 10 6/3 11/33	
25	BOS	612	.263	.740	91	25 96 31/1 33/176	
26	BOS	609	.249	.705	79	22 82 27	

The question of whether he can produce outside of Colorado is finally answered after three years of injury-marred performances. The batted ball data is similar, strikeouts were down, yet he didn't slug the ball the way he did when he was younger. That could be age or the Coors effect, but since he was hitting the ball just as hard as back then don't expect a coming power spike. But 25 homers, a decent average, and career high in steals is playable. Pause and consider his recent injury history and the way steal attempts usually go down as players get old before bidding too aggressively, but it seems safe to assume he's back and ready to run and hit some more this year. TM:BOS

Bryson Stott

\$16

Bats:	L	Age:	29				
YR/C 21:	22:\$5	23:\$13	24:\$21	25:\$17	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:\$11	23:\$26	24:\$17	25:\$18	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-13	SS-13	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	PHI	585	.280	.759	78	15 62 31/3 39/100	
24	PHI	506	.245	.671	65	11 57 32/3 53/93	
25	PHI	499	.257	.718	66	13 66 24/5 54/91	
26	PHI	557	.254	.702	73	14 66 28	

He's a patient contact hitter with good speed and a fine glove, and when the situation warrants it he can turn on a pitch, but mostly he doesn't. He also doesn't hit lefties much and sat for a fair number of games with lefty starters. That isn't as big a problem in the fantasy game as it used to be, there are many other hitters in a similar position, but it does mean Stott isn't a great guys for at bats, even though he split his time last year leading off, batting eighth, and batting ninth. After a down 2024 and a down first half in 2025, Stott blazed in the second half with a .855 OPS, a throwback to his strong 2023. Whether it was sloughing off the lingering effects of injuries, or hitting the ball harder and getting better BABIP luck, there is some hope the good outcomes, at least against righties, keep coming. TM:PHI

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Stott's value depends on basepaths expectations. After two straight 30+ seasons, SB production fell off in 2025 to 24. There's a few taters, but Statcast hard-hit metrics suggest a low double-digits HR ceiling, and his seventh slot in the PHI order limits R/RBI. Still, just five second basemen have 80+ SBs over the last three years, and among them Stott has the second-most HR (way behind Jazz Chisholm) and the second-highest BA (behind Nico Hoerner), both of whom will cost quite a bit more.

Kyle Stowers

\$18

Bats:	L	Age:	28				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:	25:\$3	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:-\$3	23:	24:-\$3	25:\$22	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-107	DH-8	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	A+	258	.275	.967	51	21 58 3/2 43/80	
24	---	192	.208	.601	15	3 24 0/1 13/74	
25	MIA	399	.288	.911	61	25 73 5/1 48/125	
26	MIA	536	.247	.772	71	26 85 5	

It seemed only natural that a guy who struck out at a high-20s percent clip in Triple-A would struggle with contact in the majors, and in 2024 Stowers saw his 25 percent Triple-A strikeout rate jump to 35.4 percent after his promotion. So what is stunning is he cut his strikeout rate to 27.4 percent last year and bumped his walk rate up to 10.5 percent while hitting 25 homers in an injury-shortened season as a platoon player. He was a bit lucky on fly balls, nearly a quarter of his cleared the fence, but Statcast says they were all legit, as was his xBA. He still has contact issues, so I'm not willing to go all in on Stowers' improvement last year as permanent, but when he hits the ball against righties he hits it hard, which certainly helps his chances. TM:MIA

PHIL HERTZ PICK: The breakout was fully supported. Assuming the oblique is behind him - and the Marlins put some legitimate hitters around him, 25-30 homers and 85-95 RBI's are good possibilities.

ALEX PATTON PICK: His best month by far was July, His worst by far was August, when he tried to play with an oblique injury. In September he was shut down, which should be plenty of time for a full recovery.

Myles Straw

\$2

Bats:	R	Age:	32				
YR/C 21:	\$9	22:\$21	23:\$8	24:	25:	2026	
YR/E 21:	\$27	22:\$10	23:\$5	24:-\$4	25:\$8	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-1	SS-0	3B-0	OF-133	DH-0	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	CLE	462	.238	.605	52	1 29 20/6 42/97	
24	AAA	434	.240	.659	1	3 47 30/1 53/95	
25	TOR	267	.262	.668	51	4 32 12/1 19/50	
26	TOR	119	.243	.631	19	2 12 6	

Either as the short side of a platoon or as a utility outfielder he brings good defense to the Blue Jays bench. He also brings some stolen base acumen that is fantasy friendly. If you need a dollar days stolen base guy he might be one of the best if the Jays use him the same way again. TM:TOR

Eugenio Suarez

\$19

Bats:	R	Age:	35				
YR/C 21:	\$25	22:\$15	23:\$17	24:\$13	25:\$18	2026	
YR/E 21:	\$8	22:\$17	23:\$11	24:\$24	25:\$24	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-0	SS-0	3B-155	OF-0	DH-4	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	SEA	598	.232	.730	68	22 96 2/1 70/214	
24	ARI	571	.256	.788	90	30 101 2/1 49/176	
25	---	588	.228	.824	91	49 118 4/1 46/196	
26	---	567	.233	.750	81	34 97 3	

He's never hit the ball harder, or less frequently. That's because he swung more often at pitches out of the zone, and made contact on those swings less frequently than he has in all but one season. This behavior in an older player is troubling, a likely sign that he's trading aggression for selection because either his priorities and approach changed or he's compensating for the slower hands of middle age. Another sign, a slip in walk rate with a bump up in fly balls. The shocking thing is that Suarez's cratered batting average dwarfs his xBA, which Statcast says was a minuscule .217 last year. So while he earned the same last year as in 2024, he did so in a dramatically different way and that doesn't auger well. It should be noted, too, that his numbers crashed after moving from the hitters park in Arizona to the pitchers park in Seattle. If he lands in a better spot, maybe he can repeat, but with each turn of the calendar page the odds increase against it. TM:---

JEFF WINICK PICK: Seventh most HRs over the last 5 years and no reason to expect that to wane. Underrated and therefore underpriced power.

Brett Sullivan

Bats:	L	Age:	32				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$5	24:	25:			
ML C-3	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23	SDP	81	.210	.540	7	1 6 0/0 4/19	
24	AAA	396	.263	.840	4	17 63 3/0 49/60	
25	AAA	271	.207	.589	32	4 38 6/1 21/48	

TM:COL

Daniel Susac

Bats:	R	Age:	25				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
MN C-C	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-	DH-	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25	AAA	360	.275	.832	48	18 68 7/3 35/109	

He had some success last year in the Athletics organization in Triple-A, hitting for power and doubling his walk rate from Double-A the year

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before. He was a first round pick in 2022, 19th overall, and considered a safe pick because of his defensive skills. He was taken by the Twins in last December's Rule 5 draft, then traded to the Giants, so he'll either make the San Francisco team's 26-man roster or get offered back to the Twins as their backup catcher, or be returned to the Athletics. Along with the power and improved walk rate, he still strikes out a lot and that is likely to be worse at the major league level. But if he's got a job he might be a rosterable catcher in NL-only roto leagues. TM:SFG

Jack Suwinski

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$12	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$12	24:-\$1	25:-\$6				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-56	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PIT	447	.224	.804	63	26	74	13/2	75/172
24 PIT	247	.182	.587	29	9	26	9/1	27/79
25 AAA	191	.283	.952	45	14	51	6/0	31/69
25 PIT	150	.147	.534	15	3	10	7/1	24/57
26 PIT	165	.190	.619	20	6	19		5

Although it's surprising how young he is, it is textbook how bad his major league stints the last two years have been compared with his Triple-A stints. Against Triple-A pitchers he hits the ball hard. In the big leagues he doesn't. At least not since 2023. The muscles are there but the homers are not. If he figures out how to tap back into the power he might score for the Pirates and fantasy owners. But for now, he's a guy who forgot how to translate his talents to the big leagues. TM:PIT

Seiya Suzuki

Bats: R Age: 32 **\$22**

YR/C 21:	22:\$21	23:\$17	24:\$19	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$15	23:\$22	24:\$26	25:\$21	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-48	DH-102		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	515	.285	.854	75	20	74	6/7	59/130
24 CHC	512	.283	.848	74	21	73	16/6	63/160
25 CHC	571	.245	.804	75	32	103	5/2	71/164
26 CHC	553	.260	.806	80	27	87		9

The bump in homers was the result of him hitting the ball higher, not harder, and pulling it more, but the decline in batting average was mostly the result of bad luck, not the extra fly balls. So, if he can maintain that launch angle and settles on pulling the ball more the 30+ homers should be a new standard for him, while his batting average should bounce back to the .265 area. He also has never stayed so healthy over the course of a season, so 650 plate appearances again is not likely. Still, he's a solid offensive player whose defensive shortcomings only hurt in fantasy if it costs him playing time. TM:CHC

Dansby Swanson

Bats: R Age: 32 **\$19**

YR/C 21:	22:\$20	23:\$25	24:\$20	25:\$18	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$35	23:\$16	24:\$17	25:\$20	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-159	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	565	.244	.747	81	22	80	9/1	66/154
24 CHC	534	.242	.701	82	16	66	19/3	54/144
25 CHC	590	.244	.716	84	24	77	20/3	47/168
26 CHC	619	.243	.709	86	23	80		19

In nine full seasons he's hit better than .251 twice, and not since 2022 in Atlanta. His two big BA season he had a BABIP of better than .348, while in all the others it has been 66 HITTERS

between .290 and .300. This is who Swanson is, a decent hitter with a little power and speed who fails in comparison to that career year 2022 season. The positive thing about his batting averages is that they've been in the .240 to .242 range, which in the modern game isn't that far behind average (.245 in 2025). The good thing about a set it and forget it player like Swanson is that if he does catch some breaks and his average goes up, you have a bargain. TM:CHC

Trey Sweeney

Bats: L Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:-\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-112	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	431	.267	.801	4	15	71	20/4	49/130
24 DET	110	.218	.642	11	4	17	2/0	7/32
25 DET	296	.196	.548	36	6	32	3/1	26/92

He got his chances to play last year and did not convert them into good results. Those results were brutally reflected by his .192 xBA and .288 xSLG, and incorporate the cost of his strikeout tendency most starkly. It's hard to see him on the big league roster when Kevin McGonigle is on it, especially given McKinstry's breakout and Baez's contract. TM:DET

Fernando Tatis Jr.

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$32**

YR/C 21:	22:\$25	23:\$33	24:\$36	25:\$33	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$34	23:\$25	24:\$19	25:\$31	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-153	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SDP	575	.257	.775	91	25	78	29/4	53/141
24 SDP	598	.276	.833	64	21	49	11/3	32/96
25 SDP	594	.268	.814	111	25	71	32/7	89/129
26 SDP	589	.272	.823	101	29	82		26

Since his monster 2021, lost 2022, and return to grace the last three years, he's become more of a ground ball contact hitter than the PEDS-fueled homer monster he once was. That makes him a little less exciting on the fantasy level, but given how hard he hits the ball with a little luck he's going have a .300 or better season at some point. Given his history of shoulder injuries his health cannot be taken for granted, but after a year in which he did stay healthy it is clearly possible, and so is a 30-30 year if he elevates the ball a little more. TM:SDP

Mike Tauchman

Bats: L Age: 35 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:\$8	23:	24:\$1	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$6	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-73	DH-19		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 CHC	337	.252	.746	64	8	48	7/1	56/86
24 CHC	298	.248	.723	50	7	29	6/2	47/70
25 CHW	335	.263	.756	44	9	40	0/0	45/86
26 ---	338	.241	.697	47	9	38		3

With little power or speed he still has value in OBP leagues because he walks so much, at least to the extent he plays. The problem at his advancing age is finding a team that wants to make use of what he brings to the table. TM:---

Leody Taveras

Bats: B Age: 28 **\$2**

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$6	24:\$13	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$10	24:\$17	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-57	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 TEX	511	.266	.738	67	14	67	14/4	35/117
24 TEX	480	.229	.639	59	12	44	23/6	42/112
25 AAA	325	.280	.804	62	11	69	27/1	41/57
25 ---	171	.205	.526	13	3	17		9/3

5/50

Signed by the Orioles for \$2M after being released by the Rangers and then sent down to the minors by the Mariners last year. He showed patience and lots of contact in Triple-A and hit with some power and stole bases. That's his profile. His problem at the major league level has been he has to be more aggressive in order to avoid bad counts, but he still strikes out quite a bit without much homer power. He does have speed and his value this year is going to turn on his ability to get at bats backing up the Orioles outfielders, especially Colton Cowser in centerfield. TM:BAL

Tim Tawa

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$2**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0	Bid Price			
ML C-	1B-	2B-2B	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 ARI	199	.201	.618	29	7	18	8/2	20/64

He's a short-side platoonist at best, in part because he didn't hit lefties all that much last year, but he's defensively versatile and showed some power in the minors. He hit the ball pretty hard when he hit it last year but a lot of strikeouts and groundballs offset his power. Can he get to the power he had in the minors? The odds don't look good but stranger things have happened. TM:ARI

Brayden Taylor

Bats: L Age: 24

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-3B	OF-	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AA	424	.250	.866	3	20	62	29/7	76/141
25 AA	370	.173	.575	47	8	43	17/3	61/121

Spent last year in Double-A and didn't hit enough to make an impression. He'll likely get a shot at Triple-A this year and will be hoping for a call up if there are openings because of his good defense, but don't expect much offensively. He does have some speed. TM:

Chris Taylor

Bats: R Age: 36

YR/C 21:	22:\$19	23:\$9	24:\$6	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$21	23:\$7	24:\$10	25:-\$1	25:-\$4			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-12	SS-0	3B-3	OF-45	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 LAD	338	.237	.748	51	15	56	16/3	41/125
24 LAD	213	.202	.597	28	4	23	5/1	28/76
25 ---	113	.186	.557	15	2	12	2/2	5/42
26 ---	242	.207	.604	30	6	27		6

He's not so old that he couldn't come back, but after two woeful years does he want to badly enough? And in his late 30s, can he ramp it up? It looks doubtful. TM:---

Samad Taylor

Bats: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:-\$4	25:	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-3 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 KCR	60	.200	.557	11	0 4 8/0 7/22
24 AAA	508	.262	.742	6	11 75 50/15 68/156
25 AAA	558	.296	.829	124	17 86 44/10 73/123

TM:SEA

Tyrone Taylor

Bats: R Age: 32 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:\$4	23:\$2	24:\$1	25:\$2	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$8	23:\$5	24:\$8	25:\$1	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-111 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIL	231	.234	.717	36	10 35 9/0 8/55
24 NYM	319	.248	.700	47	7 35 11/2 19/80
25 NYM	310	.223	.595	34	2 27 12/2 16/76
26 NYM	371	.228	.629	47	8 40 12

He's apparently found a home in a platoon with the Mets. Last year's power outage seems a little freakish so he might be worth an endgame pickup, especially because of the steals, but he has little upside. TM:NYM

Kyle Teel

Bats: L Age: 24 **\$9**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$7	Bid Price
ML C-61	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1 DH-14
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	427	.288	.831	4	13 78 12/5 68/116
25 AAA	183	.295	.886	34	8 30 7/1 30/54
26 CHW	253	.273	.785	38	8 35 3/1 37/77
26 CHW	403	.250	.720	55	13 49 5

Was called up in June after a great start in Triple-A and by August had moved past Edgar Quero as the White Sox primary catcher. As the main prize in the team's trade of Garrett Crochet and a lefty batter who struggled last year against lefty pitching, a platoon makes sense. Teel was a patient hitter coming up through the minors and that continued in the majors, but he struggled with strikeouts. His xBA last year was .241. He's not going to hit a ton of homers, but should play and hit enough to be very helpful as a fantasy backstop, especially in OBP leagues. TM:CHW

Rowdy Tellez

Bats: L Age: 31 **\$3**

YR/C 21:\$9	22:\$8	23:\$18	24:\$6	25:\$3	2026
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$14	23:\$1	24:\$7	25:\$6	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-97	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-8
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIL	311	.215	.681	26	13 47 0/0 35/86
24 PIT	383	.243	.691	38	13 56 1/0 31/89
25 ---	289	.228	.719	34	17 49 1/0 17/83
26 ---	337	.231	.694	39	15 50 1

He's a good power bat against righties, but isn't effective against lefties. That can work for fantasy in deep leagues but he is always vulnerable to losing playing time, as he did last year. TM:---

Jose Tena

Bats: L Age: 25 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:-\$1	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-0	3B-46	OF-0 DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AA	368	.274	.790	53	8 48 16/8 45/121
24 ---	161	.267	.652	14	3 15 6/1 7/41
25 AAA	209	.287	.806	27	5 24 21/5 30/59
26 WSN	152	.243	.669	19	0 16 3/1 15/37
26 WSN	218	.244	.653	25	4 23 6

Versatile and soft-handed utilityman is the backup and possible platoon partner to Brady House, which gives him a fair chance of seeing a fantasy reasonable number of at bats this season even if no one gets hurt. He hits the ball hard but frequently on the ground, limiting his homer potential, but has been making better contact. Could be a sneaky add with a little upside. TM:WSN

Bryce Teodosio

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-50 DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	409	.276	.770	7	5 51 40/4 35/120
25 LAA	138	.203	.551	12	1 7 7/1 5/47
26 LAA	193	.206	.563	21	3 16 8

No indications after last year's struggles that he can hit a lick but he's fast and a good centerfielder, so he may have real baseball uses on a bad real baseball team and a little fantasy value for the bases he steals. TM:LAA

Matt Thaiss

Bats: L Age: 31 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:\$0	24:-\$3	25:-\$3	Bid Price
ML C-53	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 LAA	262	.214	.669	32	9 31 2/0 36/83
24 LAA	157	.204	.622	14	2 16 3/0 28/58
25 ---	156	.218	.636	16	1 16 1/1 29/46

His great skill has been taking a lot of walks. Unfortunately he's not been able to turn that into another skill that makes him more valuable for fantasy purposes. TM:

Alek Thomas

Bats: L Age: 26 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$6	24:\$5	25:\$2	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:\$4	24:-\$2	25:\$8	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-139 DH-2
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ARI	374	.230	.653	51	9 39 9/1 19/86
24 ARI	95	.189	.601	13	3 17 4/1 7/17
25 ARI	433	.249	.655	51	9 38 7/4 21/122
26 ARI	399	.240	.660	50	10 45 8

A platoon centerfielder with modest power who doesn't steal bases and is just average defensively seems like he could be replaced. No. 1 D-Back prospect Ryan Waldschmidt played more centerfield last year than any other position, but Waldschmidt may not be ready. Thomas is being pressed and should be cheap, with modest potential for fantasy earnings. TM:ARI

Colby Thomas

Bats: R Age: 25 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-44 DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	513	.277	.916	14	31 92 15/4 40/142
25 AAA	333	.291	.893	66	18 74 7/4 32/103
25 ATH	120	.225	.682	20	6 19 2/1 7/49
26 ATH	237	.234	.691	32	10 33 4

All his homers came against lefties and he struck out 24 times in 63 plate appearances against righties, so yes, weak-side platoon bat seems to be the case. But he's not a sure bet there. He struck out 36.2 percent of his plate appearances against lefties, which is not really sustainable unless you hit a lot of homers, say one every 10 plate appearances,

which he almost did (one homer every 11.5 plate appearances, for real). He's good in the field and can steal a base so he might have some fantasy value in deep leagues even with weakside at bats, but unless he changes his approach his ceiling is limited. TM:ATH

Jared Thomas

Bats: L Age: 23

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AA	454	.300	.849	92	14	60 33/7 70/145

Strikeout rate soared after promotion to Double-A last year. He's young and will get a chance to fix that. TM:COL

Lane Thomas

Bats: R Age: 31 **\$9**

YR/C 21:	22:\$10	23:\$8	24:\$17	25:\$16	2026
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$14	23:\$28	24:\$17	25:-\$5	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-38 DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 WSN	628	.268	.794	101	28 86 20/5 36/176
24 ---	472	.237	.709	65	15 63 32/14 44/137
25 CLE	125	.160	.518	10	4 11 4/1 14/44
26 KCR	357	.228	.671	47	12 43 17

A wrist injury wrecked him early and then plantar fasciitis sat him down in July. He had surgery to fix his foot and is expected to be fine and playing in the Royals outfield this season. He showed surprising power in 2023 because he doesn't hit the ball that hard, but he figured out how to pull the ball hard and early in at bats and got good results. The next year he didn't find the same power, ran more but was caught a fair amount. After a year lost to injury and following foot surgery, we have to guess which Lane Thomas shows up. Odds are he's going to earn a profit in AL only, demand is low, but he could end up having mixed league value if his foot is healthy. TM:KCR

Rhylan Thomas

Bats: L Age: 26

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-3	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	547	.325	.784	105	7 78 35/8 46/32	

TM:SEA

Sterlin Thompson

Bats: L Age: 25

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-OF	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	439	.296	.911	82	18 66 12/4 53/107/	

It can't be said often enough, what look like good numbers in Triple-A Albuquerque are not good numbers. Thompson was a No. 31 overall pick in 2022 out of Florida who has a bit of power and a bit of hit tool and makes enough contact he might catch a ride. But with little defensive value he's going to have to perform enough to get a long look. Not impossible, but a path fraught with obstacles. TM:COL

Michael Tolia

Bats: B Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$14	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:-\$6	24:\$11	25:-\$3	
ML C-0	1B-86	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0 DH-2
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 COL	141	.163	.507	18	4 9 1/1 10/50
24 COL	399	.218	.766	62	25 55 10/1 54/147
25 AAA	157	.331	1.025	31	11 36 0/2 19/46
25 COL	306	.190	.611	22	11 32 3/0 28/132

He's not in the 26-man outlook for the

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Reds and even if they decide they need a first baseman the edge would likely go to Christian Encarnacion-Strand. But injuries and accidents will happen, we only hit and run, so he could get some major league time this year. And put an all or nothing power hitter in Great American and you have a worthy waiver pickup if you don't care about your team's batting average. TM:CIN

Tyler Tolbert

Bats: R	Age: 28							
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-5	SS-5	3B-3	OF-46	DH-3		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 KCR	50	.280	.696	19	1	6	21/2	1/11

The offensive profile is pretty meh, until you get to the stolen bases. He's a Dairon Blanco the Royals can play in other situations than stealing. Barely. Why this matter to them is something you have to ask them. TM:KCR

Spencer Torkelson

Bats: R	Age: 27	\$17						
YR/C 21:	22:\$13	23:\$9	24:\$22	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$16	24:\$2	25:\$17	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-145	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-10		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 DET	606	.233	.766	88	31	94	3/0	67/171
24 DET	342	.219	.668	45	10	37	0/0	33/105
25 DET	563	.240	.789	82	31	78	2/1	72/169
26 DET	570	.232	.734	79	26	79	2	

He was good enough against righties last year to stay in the lineup, which is a key for him. He's patient, will take a walk, but is a little passive, which can stick him with bad counts in which to hit. It was those skills that made him a top hitting prospect while coming up, but they have also hamstrung him some at the highest level. It's probably safe to consider his 2023 and 2024 seasons something of a floor, if he's healthy, but until he makes another adjustment successfully they also represent something close to his ceiling. TM:DET

JEFF WINICK PICK: A former 1.1 pick – the pedigree is finally starting to show. Not a superstar yet, but he's only 26 and there's plenty of reason to expect more.

Abraham Toro

Bats: B	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$5	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$7	22:\$4	23:	24:\$3	25:\$2				
ML C-0	1B-68	2B-0	SS-0	3B-16	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	357	.291	.859	53	8	58	8/2	49/73
24 OAK	337	.240	.641	34	6	26	4/2	20/62
25 AAA	184	.272	.839	31	8	27	3/0	27/56
25 BOS	259	.239	.659	33	7	27	2/1	14/42

He signed with the Royals and is invited to spring training. He's not much of a hitter but he doesn't strike out much. TM:CIN

Luis Torrens

Bats: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$4	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$7	22:-\$3	23:	24:-\$2	25:-\$1				
ML C-86	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	111	.279	.823	1	5	19	1/1	10/29
24 NYM	118	.229	.665	14	3	15	0/1	9/28
25 NYM	261	.226	.628	20	5	29	1/0	19/56
26 NYM	210	.231	.646	22	5	25	1	

He's a backup catcher with good defensive skills and a pretty empty bat, despite hitting 15 homers in Seattle in 2021. TM:NYM

Bryan Torres

Bats: L	Age: 29							
ML C-0	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-	OF-OF	DH-		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	332	.328	.899	58	9	51	26/6	70/57

Added to the 40-man in November 2025. He spent 2025 in Triple-A and stole some bases, walked more than he struck out, and is 5'7 and weighs 165. He's probably organizational depth, but he makes a ton of contact and when he gets on he can run. If he gets a chance there's a good chance he'll have fantasy value. TM:STL

Gleyber Torres

Bats: R	Age: 30	\$16						
YR/C 21:\$26	22:\$18	23:\$20	24:\$24	25:\$15	2026			
YR/E 21:\$15	22:\$22	23:\$25	24:\$16	25:\$16	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-135	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-10		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	596	.273	.809	90	25	68	13/6	67/98
24 NYY	587	.257	.708	80	15	63	4/3	65/136
25 DET	532	.256	.745	79	16	74	4/1	85/101
26 DET	578	.259	.735	81	18	71	6	

He came into the league as a young power hitter, but has transitioned to become a more patient on-base guy with a little bit of pop. The change has less to do with swinging less hard than turning a little more to line drives and grounders from fly balls, but he is also hitting the ball a little less hard. Last year he had a fine first half and a mediocre second half, perhaps because he was playing with a sports hernia that led to postseason surgery. He's expected to be fine by spring training, so select the new Gleyber knowing that he probably has the ability to be more aggressive and swing harder and with more homer power than he's shown the last two years. Especially if he's healthy. TM:DET

Ezequiel Tovar

Bats: R	Age: 25	\$13						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$13	24:\$14	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$16	24:\$25	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-95	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 COL	581	.253	.699	79	15	73	11/5	25/166
24 COL	655	.269	.761	83	26	78	6/5	23/200
25 COL	360	.253	.690	44	9	33	5/3	21/98
26 COL	606	.261	.728	78	21	73	9	

He missed much of the first half with a hip strain and then, after he returned, to an oblique strain. When he returned to action he was the same impatient hitter expanding the zone and missing too much of the time. He has value to the Rockies because of his defense. The power he showed in 2024 has to appeal to fantasy players, but unless he can get on base more and hit with more regular power he'll be an unreliable only league fantasy contributor, and a hold-your-nose work in progress waiting for him to show skills he hasn't yet got, saved by a home park that makes him a reasonable bet in home games. TM:COL

DAVE ADLER PICK: IL stints for hip and oblique tanked his season. Exit velocity and launch angle support ~20 HR level; he just needs to stay on the field.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: 2025 was a lost season due to injuries but in 2024 he hit 45 doubles to go along with 26 home runs in his age-23 season. Don't forget about him should you decide to go late in filling the MI slot.

Taylor Trammell

Bats: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:\$2	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$4	23:	24:	25:-\$3				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-49	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	317	.268	.934	59	21	63	17/4	63/104
24 AAA	336	.256	.874	6	18	63	20/5	63/109
25 HOU	117	.197	.630	15	3	12	3/2	17/41

TM:HOU

Jose Trevino

Bats: R	Age: 34	\$1						
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:\$5	24:\$1	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$7	23:-\$4	24:\$0	25:\$0	Bid Price			
ML C-90	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-3		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	157	.210	.568	15	4	15	0/0	8/22
24 NYY	209	.215	.640	26	8	28	1/0	20/41
25 CIN	282	.238	.623	30	4	22	0/0	15/39
26 CIN	258	.233	.640	28	7	28	1	

He's about as mild as they come on the offensive side, not doing all that much but getting just enough playing time for it to help because it isn't likely all that bad. Listed as a \$1 catcher because you might prefer the mild to the spicy, but feel free to go the other way (a little more power, less batting average) if you prefer. TM:CIN

James Triantos

Bats: R	Age: 23							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	317	.287	.769	45	4	48	16/4	35/39
24 AAA	443	.300	.787	8	7	52	47/9	27/54
25 AAA	440	.259	.685	69	7	47	31/10	33/72

Spent most of last year in Triple-A and made plenty of contact and stole enough bases to attract fantasy attention. He's aggressive at the plate, puts the ball into play and runs. He hasn't shown much power and probably gets rostered as a utilityman because of his versatility defensively, maybe sometime this year. TM:CHC

Jared Triolo

Bats: R	Age: 28	\$2						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$3	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-24	2B-11	SS-47	3B-32	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 PIT	181	.298	.790	30	3	21	6/1	24/63
24 PIT	394	.216	.611	41	9	46	8/1	42/118
25 PIT	331	.227	.665	41	7	24	13/2	39/76
26 PIT	506	.235	.660	62	11	52	15	

After the Pirates traded Ke'Bryan Hayes at the deadline they promoted Triolo and he played like a house afire, with an .884 OPS in August. He came back to earth in September with a more characteristic .670 OPS. That hot streak was fired by a more than 30 percent linedrive rate, and his overall stats reflects his usually much more modest production. He's a solid and versatile defensive player with better offensive skills against lefties, and should either platoon or work as a utilityman backing up at all the infield positions. TM:PIT

Chadwick Tromp

Bats: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$7 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$3 25:
ML C-8	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	.224 .210 .723 32 10 33 0/0 43/54
24 ATL	.52 .250 .625 3 0 6 0/0 1/17
25 AAA	.210 .190 .516 18 3 21 2/0 19/57

TM:ATL

Mike Trout

\$12

Bats: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21:\$40	22:\$34 23:\$26 24:\$25 25:\$20 2026
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$28 23:\$11 24:\$2 25:\$12 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-22 DH-106
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 LAA	.308 .263 .863 54 18 44 2/0 45/104
24 LAA	.109 .220 .867 17 10 14 6/1 16/27
25 LAA	.456 .232 .797 73 26 64 2/0 87/178
26 LAA	.491 .236 .791 76 29 73 6

On the positive side he topped 500 plate appearances for the first time since 2019. On the negative side he had his lowest ISO since his short first year, when he was 20 years old. Given his recent injury history it would be a mistake to think he'll reach such playing time heights again this year, but he might. But given his plummeting contact rate it's hard to imagine much of a bounce back in his ISO. He'll likely be a plus in OBP leagues to the extent he plays, because while he's struggled to make contact he still walks a fair amount. All of which makes him a special fit if he's cheap enough in fantasy leagues of all shapes and sizes, while a real risk in deeper ones if his price climbs. TM:LAA

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: It's scary how similar his career arc tracks to Ken Griffey Jr. Have a heart, Angels, and move Trout to some team wise enough to use him at DH. The Angels never managed a winning record during the Trout/Ohtani era, which tells you something about team building. It's a mistake to expect 130 more games from Trout for 2026, and last year's return wasn't much fun anyway.

Tommy Troy

Bats: R	Age: 24
ML C-	1B- 2B-2B SS-SS 3B- OF- DH-
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 A+	.273 .234 .697 5 5 25 16/5 31/71
25 AAA	.499 .289 .831 79 15 66 24/5 67/98

Bounced back from a tough 2024 campaign in High-A with a strong start last year in Double-A, patiently contact hitting with some power while stealing bases with a high success rate. Promoted to Triple-A he dropped a little power, became a little more aggressive, but also made more contact. He'll begin this year in Triple-A in all likelihood, but with any success at all could become a candidate for a big club that is actively and publicly talking about trading their second baseman. They've walked that back and Troy's success is not guaranteed. He's had some trouble even last year identifying and hitting breaking stuff, though he was improving on his 2024 struggles. TM:ARI

Kyle Tucker

\$32

Bats: L	Age: 29
YR/C 21:\$29	22:\$36 23:\$39 24:\$39 25:\$38 2026
YR/E 21:\$30	22:\$29 23:\$36 24:\$19 25:\$25 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-115 DH-20
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 HOU	.574 .284 .897 97 29 112 30/5 80/92
24 HOU	.277 .289 .989 56 23 49 11/0 56/54
25 CHC	.500 .266 .839 91 22 73 25/3 87/88
26 LAD	.550 .272 .865 97 29 87 23

An injury wrecked his 2024 season, obviously, but a fractured hand early in June undermined him last year, too, though it didn't cost him much time. But then a calf strain in September cost him two weeks and Tucker owners who paid for the privilege had to be disappointed. If that causes his price to drop that's all the more reason to target him. His power-speed combo and ability to hit for average is elite when he's on the field and healthy, and while these injuries are mounting up there is enough variety to consider them fluky rather than chronic. TM:LAD

ALEX PATTON PAN: I've never liked his swing and now it's getting slower. The Dodgers didn't overpay, because they don't have a salary cap. All he has to do to make them happy is hit better than Michael Conforto.

Brice Turang

\$25

Bats: L	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$4 24:\$6 25:\$17 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$5 24:\$22 25:\$31 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-153 SS-3 3B-0 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIL	.404 .218 .587 46 6 34 26/4 38/94
24 MIL	.559 .254 .662 72 7 57 50/6 50/105
25 MIL	.584 .288 .793 97 18 81 24/8 66/150
26 MIL	.587 .262 .713 83 13 67 34

After two years of slapping the ball, Turang started driving it last year. This was a profound change that turned him from a contact hitter to, well, not exactly a power hitter but a better balanced offensive performer. An uptick in strikeouts was the price to be paid, but pleasantly surprised Turang owners were happy to pay it, especially because he also walked more. Statcast and an inflated BABIP say that the bump in batting average is an illusion, so don't count on that continuing, but if he maintains this approach there's no reason he shouldn't be a minor power-speed threat for the foreseeable future. TM:MIL

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: Bill James told us years ago, versatile players tend to be underrated and specialists tend to be overrated. Turang is very good at a lot of different things. I'll be open-minded when his name comes up.

Justin Turner

Bats: R	Age: 42
YR/C 21:\$18	22:\$21 23:\$13 24:\$12 25:\$3
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$19 23:\$24 24:\$11 25:-\$2
ML C-0	1B-39 2B-0 SS-0 3B-14 OF-0 DH-19
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 BOS	.558 .276 .810 86 23 96 4/1 51/110
24 ---	.460 .259 .737 59 11 55 0/2 59/95
25 CHC	.169 .219 .602 14 3 18 2/0 17/37
26 ---	.215 .241 .664 25 5 25 1

He wants to play this year, but when your 41st year is a shambles it's unlikely a team is going to sign up to see your 42nd. TM:---

Trea Turner

\$32

Bats: R	Age: 33
YR/C 21:\$39	22:\$44 23:\$42 24:\$35 25:\$29 2026
YR/E 21:\$47	22:\$44 23:\$29 24:\$29 25:\$36 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-0 SS-139 3B-0 OF-0 DH-1
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 PHI	.639 .266 .780 102 26 76 30/0 45/150
24 PHI	.505 .295 .807 88 21 62 19/4 27/98
25 PHI	.589 .304 .812 94 15 69 36/7 43/107
26 PHI	.592 .288 .777 92 19 72 29

As the years have passed he's hit the ball just a tad slower and bit more on the line than in the air, and the result have been a gradual decline in his power. That was never the key component of his game, which hinged on his top one-percent speed. Well, that and his ability to make contact and hit the ball hard, originally, and now pretty hard. All of that combined to land him the batting average title last year in the NL (and also in 2021). The concern when you see an athletic player, as Turner is, see his Statcast skills change in shade from dark red to light blue as he heads into his middle 30s is Father Time is taking his toll, and he certainly is. Turner missed much of last September with a hamstring strain, echoing the month and a half he missed in 2024 with a similar injury. He is no longer a superstar when he plays and he's likely to miss more time with these sorts of dings, but he's still a very solid fantasy baseball contributor whenever he takes the field. TM:PHI

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Still a great batting average source and likely to produce a bunch of steals, but power has been on a downward trend and hamstring injuries in back-to-back seasons could presage fewer stolen base attempts.

Luis Urias

Bats: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:\$3	22:\$15 23:\$12 24:\$2 25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$16	22:\$9 23:-\$4 24:-\$3 25:-\$1
ML C-0	1B-0 2B-87 SS-0 3B-9 OF-0 DH-0
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 ---	.144 .194 .632 18 3 18 0/0 21/41
24 SEA	.94 .191 .696 11 4 16 0/0 9/34
25 ATH	.287 .230 .650 27 8 25 2/1 31/45
26 ---	.146 .224 .644 17 4 17 1

Signed a minor league contract last August with the Brewers after the Athletics released him but he didn't play in Milwaukee. He showed a surprising increase in contact while with the A's but doesn't hit the ball as hard as he did when he started for the Brewers back in the day. TM:---

Ramon Urias

\$1

Bats: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:	22:\$3 23:\$4 24:\$1 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$11 23:\$6 24:\$7 25:\$5 Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-3 2B-26 SS-0 3B-78 OF-0 DH-3
YR TM	AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 BAL	.360 .264 .706 45 4 42 3/1 27/101
24 BAL	.272 .254 .745 39 11 37 1/1 23/55
25 ---	.352 .241 .675 33 11 44 3/0 27/88
26 ---	.240 .244 .687 28 8 30 2

His defensive versatility kept him employed in Baltimore in recent years, and landed him in Houston at the deadline. He's had his ups and downs defensively and has enough going offensively to smooth over the downs, He's coming off an up year for the dee but he is unlikely to play enough to have any fantasy

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upside. Still, if he plays at all his stick is lively enough he's better than nothing. TM:---

Gio Urshela

Bats:	R	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	\$16	22:\$9	23:\$5
YR/E 21:	\$12	22:\$21	23:\$5
ML C-0	1B-2	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	LAA	214	.299
24	---	432	.250
25	ATH	181	.238
26	---	181	.247

His last remaining positive, his glove, fell into the negative last year. TM:---

Enmanuel Valdez

Bats:	L	Age:	28
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$0
ML C-0	1B-26	2B-6	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	BOS	139	.266
24	BOS	201	.214
25	PIT	91	.209

He dislocated his shoulder in May and had season-ending surgery. He was playing in the Dominican Winter League in December working a second base, third base, and the outfield, in order to improve his chances at a utility role. In 473 major league plate appearances he has 14 homers and six steals, while he hasn't shown the same power in 2024 and 2025 that he showed with the Red Sox in 2023. He might have NL only endgame value depending on how his shoulder responds and the role the Pirates give him. TM:PIT

Esmerlyn Valdez

Bats:	R	Age:	22
ML C-	1B-1B	2B-	SS-
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
25	AA	458	.286

A hot Arizona Fall League followed a season split between High-A and Double-A and a total of 34 homers. Power is his game and he'll surely start this season in the minors, and while he's unlikely to ever be a high batting average guy if he keeps hitting the homers he might be in Pittsburgh sometime this summer, though 2027 is more likely. TM:PIT

George Valera

Bats:	L	Age:	25
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	AAA	277	.220
24	AAA	323	.248
25	AAA	151	.318
26	CLE	342	.222

He was slowed to start last season after knee surgery, but after 107 Triple-A plate appearances he was promoted to Cleveland in September. He served as a DH against righties during the season's last month and in 48 plate appearances had a .748 OPS. He also struck out 30.2 percent of the time against righties, which is a red flag. Still, it's a small sample, he hit the ball fairly hard but too much on the ground, which conforms with his minor league history. Contact issues, strikeouts, and a long injury history make him an unlikely platoon regular for long, but if he gets the chance he

may hit some homers. He didn't play 15 games at DH in the majors last year and did play more in right field than as DH in the minors, so your position eligibility may be different. TM:CLE

Ildemaro Vargas

Bats:	B	Age:	35
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	-\$6	22:\$3	23:\$2
ML C-0	1B-12	2B-13	SS-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	WSN	262	.252
24	WSN	272	.246
25	AAA	216	.255
26	ARI	115	.270

TM:ARI

Miguel Vargas

Bats:	R	Age:	27
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$14	24:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$2	24:-\$7
ML C-0	1B-63	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	LAD	256	.195
24	---	206	.150
25	CHW	504	.234
26	CHW	529	.225

After a few years diddling in the Dodger organization he landed and held a full-time job with the White Sox last year and demonstrated his solid hit tool. He also elevated his power game, hitting the ball harder and ending up with 38 Barrels. Still, his estimated stats last year line up with his actual ones, meaning this is the real Vargas. A playable producer in AL only leagues, and a bubble guy in 15 team mixed, but he should be knocked down a notch in all formats because he has not yet found a defensive niche in which he fits. This is probably fine on a team like the White Sox, which is still piecing together workable roster, but it leaves him vulnerable if he slumps or someone else gets hot. TM:CHW

DAVE ADLER PICK: Not a monster in any one category, but he does enough to produce some decent numbers. League-average power and speed, and a nice boost to contact rate means he could produce a decent average. A fine late addition in deep leagues.

Daulton Varsho

Bats:	L	Age:	30
YR/C 21:	\$9	22:\$17	23:\$26
YR/E 21:	\$7	22:\$20	23:\$9
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	TOR	527	.220
24	TOR	459	.214
25	TOR	248	.238
26	TOR	537	.226

He missed April rehabbing his throwing shoulder after September 2024 shoulder surgery to repair his rotator cuff, then pulled a hamstring at the end of May and missed two more months. When he was on the field he was more aggressive than he'd been before and attacked the ball harder, which led to a dramatic increase in his power numbers. Maybe he was a little lucky, based on his HR/FB percentage, but his pull heavy fly ball approach is going to result in homers when he connects. He's never going to hit for average with this style, but he's fast enough to perhaps

outperform expectations from year to year as he has through his career. He could be a source of a lot of homers if he stays healthy and ends up aiming for a short porch. TM:TOR

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Missed a ton of time with shoulder injury, but the injury dates to 2024. When he finally got into the lineup, he hit 20 homers in 248 at bats. 'Nuff said.

Andrew Vaughn

Bats:	R	Age:	28
YR/C 21:	22:\$11	23:\$18	24:\$13
YR/E 21:	\$8	22:\$19	23:\$15
ML C-0	1B-95	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	CHW	566	.258
24	CHW	570	.246
25	AAA	115	.235
26	MIL	535	.252

After years of limping along and doing less each year for the hapless White Sox, Vaughn did even less last year and the Chicago American League baseball club sent him to the minors. They somehow found a taker in the Milwaukee Brewers, who traded for him and kept him in Triple-A until an injury created an opening and a recall. When Vaughn moved on to Cream City he was hitting the ball harder and more often and, looking back, that actually started in his time in Triple-A, when coaches said if he didn't stop swinging at pitches out of the zone he wouldn't play. The former No. 3 overall prospect, from 2019, saw the light and stepped up his game. He's still not a very good hitter against righties and has limited power even against lefties, plus he's not a great first baseman (though better last year than before that), but if he continues to not swing at pitches out of the zone he should make enough contact to be an offensive plus somewhere near the middle of the Brewers lineup. TM:MIL

Christian Vazquez

Bats:	R	Age:	36
YR/C 21:	\$15	22:\$11	23:\$8
YR/E 21:	\$12	22:\$12	23:-\$1
ML C-64	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	MIN	294	.221
24	MIN	190	.189
25	---	204	.218

He's still a fine defensive catcher but also, apart from 2019, an offensive nullity. He played enough in 2021 and 2022 to have fantasy value, but that's unlikely this year.

Zac Veen

Bats:	L	Age:	25
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS
23	AA	172	.209
24	AAA	233	.258
25	AAA	377	.289
26	COL	108	.232

The 2020 first rounder, ninth overall, is a speedster who hit the ball hard and hit some Triple-A homers in Albuquerque last year. He didn't swing hard in his brief time with Colorado at the start of the season but 37 plate appearances isn't enough to judge. We

do know that his decent looking Albuquerque stats are below average and his ability to consistently hit the ball at the major league level needs to be proved. Those who saw him in the Arizona Fall League a few years ago were electrified, and his improved approach in Triple-A last year is a step in the right direction. Can he carry it over to the bigs? There's enough skepticism out there it won't cost much to bet that he can. Though the addition of Jake McCarthy means that there might not be a spot for him in Denver, at least in the early going. TM:COL

Alex Verdugo

Bats: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:\$18	23:\$17	24:\$10	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:	22:\$23	23:\$14	24:\$9	25:-\$2				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-54	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	546	.264	.753	81	13	54	5/3	45/93
24 NYY	559	.233	.646	74	13	61	2/1	49/93
25 ATL	197	.239	.585	21	0	12	1/0	14/31
26 ---	196	.242	.651	24	4	20	1	

He was released by the Braves in July after a weak half season and didn't sign on elsewhere. His skills appear to have been similar to his 2024 year, when he had a little fantasy value because he played so much with the Yankees. If he lands a platoon position this year his profit potential will be real but limited. TM:---

Mark Vientos

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$12**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$2	24:\$18	25:\$7	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-3	2B-0	SS-0	3B-72	OF-0	DH-44		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYM	218	.211	.629	19	9	22	1/0	10/71
24 NYM	413	.266	.837	58	27	71	0/0	33/135
25 NYM	424	.233	.702	44	17	61	1/0	30/115
26 NYM	388	.243	.734	48	19	57	1	

A slow start and some injuries slight and others more severe, a hamstring strain that cost him most of June, wrecked the first half of the year for Vientos, but he got hot in the second half when the Mets and Juan Soto did, and saw semi-regular at bats the rest of the way. The overall results were disappointing and even his second half performance, after a brutal September slump, paled compared to his 2024 production. He's a hard-swinging slugger who can struggle to make contact even in the zone, but who drives the ball when he makes contact. Given his weak defense at third and his struggles last year a regular role for him this year is not guaranteed. TM:NYM

Matt Vierling

Bats: R Age: 30 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$3	24:\$3	25:\$8	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:\$11	24:\$16	25:-\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-3	OF-28	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 DET	479	.261	.718	63	10	44	6/6	44/112
24 DET	518	.257	.735	80	16	57	6/1	41/121
25 DET	88	.239	.617	6	1	11	2/0	7/24
26 DET	247	.247	.687	32	7	28	4	

Ongoing shoulder issues and an oblique strain in August that ended his season made last year a lost one. He was theoretically available to play if the Tigers had advanced in the playoffs, so he should be good to go come spring training. His path to playing time

is on the weak side of a platoon though he's not much worse versus righties than lefties. On the other hand, he's not that good against lefties, so he can't force the issue. TM:DET

Ryan Vilade

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-7	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AAA	440	.270	.754	64	6	56	7/4	64/127
24 AAA	392	.278	.809	5	13	64	20/7	39/108
25 AAA	397	.290	.889	75	17	66	11/2	50/89
26 TBR	139	.219	.612	16	3	15	2	

The Rays bought him off the Reds in the offseason because in nearly 2,000 Triple-A plate appearances he's shown good strikezone judgement and okay contact skills with a little power. Over the past five years he's had only 71 major league plate appearances, which doesn't inspire confidence that he'll be more than a Triple-A player for the Rays until someone gets hurt. TM:TBR

Jorbit Vivas

Bats: L Age: 25

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-15	SS-0	3B-14	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	506	.269	.798	98	13	63	25/5	69/71
24 AAA	374	.225	.715	10	9	50	21/5	63/76
25 AAA	374	.270	.747	59	4	43	12/9	64/45
25 NYY	56	.161	.508	6	1	5	0/0	5/13

Got some looks with the Yankees last May and July but didn't hit much, but his xBA of .249 may better tell the tale since he hit the ball moderately hard. He's been a regular base stealer in the minors and would have a little fantasy value in deep leagues if he hits more the next time he gets a shot. TM:NYY

Anthony Volpe

Bats: R Age: 25 **\$10**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:\$19	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$18	25:\$9	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-153	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 NYY	541	.209	.669	62	21	60	24/5	52/167
24 NYY	637	.243	.656	90	12	60	28/7	42/156
25 NYY	539	.212	.662	65	19	72	18/8	43/150
26 NYY	432	.230	.667	57	13	50	18	

There are two issue with Volpe. He had shoulder surgery in October and isn't expected to be ready until the end of April or so, but missing one sixth of the season would be easy to handicap if he wasn't so enigmatic as a hitter. A guy who goes 20/20, as he did in 2023, seems like a valuable piece, but he's flawed in so many ways and he didn't develop last year. Instead he withered, with declining defensive skills (maybe related to the shoulder injury) and a stagnant and underwhelming approach at the plate, leading to too few walks and too many strikeouts. He regained some of the hard hit skills he had as a rookie in 2023, but the whole package just doesn't hold up. Maybe that's all a hangover after his 2024 shoulder surgery and will be cleared up by last October's cleanup. Maybe. If healthy the physical skills seem to be there, but the situation is unstable enough for the Yankee GM to say about Volpe's situation: "The game separates it all, the men from the boys, [and] dictates who should and shouldn't

be playing over the course of time from the roster the manager has." That clears things up. TM:NYY

DAVE ADLER PICK: Power growth is encouraging, as barrel rate got a big boost. But plate approach needs work before BA can approach reasonable level. Shoulder injury likely played a part as well. Main question - how long of a rope does he have before Yankees decide to go in another direction?

LaMonte Wade Jr.

Bats: L Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:\$9	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:\$5				
YR/E 21:	22:\$11	23:\$11	24:\$7	25:-\$7				
ML C-0	1B-49	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-22	DH-2		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	429	.256	.795	64	17	45	2/0	76/95
24 SFG	331	.260	.760	45	8	34	2/1	62/90
25 ---	209	.167	.522	19	2	18	1/0	27/58
26 CWS	214	.224	.671	27	5	23	1	

Was released by the Angels last August and did not sign elsewhere until January, when he signed with the White Sox. TM:CWS

Tyler Wade

Bats: L Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:-\$3	24:-\$1	25:-\$4				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-8	SS-2	3B-4	OF-38	DH-3		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 OAK	51	.255	.623	8	0	2	4/0	4/13
24 SDP	138	.217	.515	28	0	8	8/1	11/29
25 AAA	104	.279	.728	18	1	12	10/2	15/26
25 SDP	107	.206	.552	13	0	9	1/2	15/31

TM:TEX

Eric Wagaman

Bats: R Age: 29 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:\$9	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-117	2B-0	SS-0	3B-3	OF-22	DH-10		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	446	.274	.814	2	17	60	10/4	44/83
24 LAA	72	.250	.673	6	2	10	0/0	2/17
25 MIA	476	.250	.674	56	9	53	4/1	32/100
26 MIN	104	.249	.676	12	2	12	1	

Somehow he got 500+ plate appearances last year, didn't cause a ripple, and another team traded for him. That team was the downwardly mobile Twins, so don't count that as an endorsement. Statcast likes his swing but not his glove, but without power (because he doesn't elevate the ball) and without stolen bases (though his sprint speed is very good) he's a tough fit in any fantasy lineup unless he gets 500+ plate appearances again. TM:MIN

Will Wagner

Bats: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:-\$4				
ML C-0	1B-12	2B-5	SS-0	3B-25	OF-0	DH-6		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
24 AAA	286	.315	.890	4	6	43	3/1	59/37
24 TOR	82	.305	.788	8	2	11	0/0	4/16
25 AAA	159	.270	.769	23	5	30	2/2	16/21
25 ---	129	.225	.601	15	0	7	1/0	17/28
26 SDP	144	.243	.660	17	3	15	1	

A contact hitter with good strike zone judgement but little power or speed does not a fantasy favorite make. The Padres traded for him at the deadline last year but hardly used him and he's positioned as a bench guy this season. TM:SDP

Player Name

Sebastian Walcott

Bats: R	Age: 20
ML C- 1B- 2B- SS-SS 3B- OF- DH-	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AA 474 .255 .741 71 13 59 32/10 70/108	

He spent last year in Double-A, notably as a 19 year old, and improved his strikeout rate from his 2024 season spent mostly in High-A. That's a good sign that he's developing as a hitter, making more contact and getting to his power, which is expected to be big. Very big. Plus, he's stolen 59 bases the last two years. A hot start could open the door, but a year in Triple-A spent developing a more solid foundation is probably the better long-term goal. TM:TEX

Ryan Waldschmidt

Bats: R	Age: 24	\$1
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026	YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price	
ML C- 1B- 2B- SS- 3B- OF-OF DH-	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
25 AA 484 .289 .892 114 18 78 29/10 96/106	26 ARI 141 .239 .672 19 3 16 4	

A 2024 first rounder, No. 31 overall, out of Kentucky, he split last year pretty evenly between High-A and Double-A. At both levels he walked a lot and struck out just a little bit more while hitting for some power with some steals and a good average. He was patient to a fault, however, working those low-minors pitchers for walks, taking a passive approach and a lot of called strikes that will be harder to get as he reaches Triple-A and the majors. That could be as soon as this spring and while his pedigree is good he's got to get to either more contact or bigger power. Both would be best. TM:ARI

TIM MCLEOD PICK: Waldschmidt slugged 18 homers and stole 29 bases between High and Double-A last year. He also knows his way around the strikezone, producing an outstanding 106/96 K/BB rate. Save yourself some of that precious FAAB and invest in Waldschmidt at the draft as a late-round spec pick. An early 2026 arrival date is a real possibility.

Christian Walker

Bats: R	Age: 35	\$18
YR/C 21:\$17 22:\$8 23:\$20 24:\$20 25:\$22 2026	YR/E 21:\$8 22:\$22 23:\$25 24:\$18 25:\$15 Bid Price	
ML C-0 1B-152 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-0 DH-2	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 ARI 582 .258 .841 86 33 103 11/0 62/127	24 ARI 479 .251 .803 72 26 84 2/2 55/133	
25 HOU 585 .238 .717 72 27 88 2/1 40/177	26 HOU 563 .237 .729 75 28 87 3	

He missed much of spring training with an oblique strain, then got off to a slow start but was cooking in May when he was plunked on the hand by a pitch. He struggled in June but by July was recovered and playing like his old self pretty much. Blame his weaker season on those injury issues, but given his advancing age it isn't assured he's going to reach the heights of his best years in Arizona. But despite the physical knocks he did make 640 plate appearances. TM:HOU

Jordan Walker

Bats: R	Age: 24	\$7
YR/C 21: 22: 23:\$15 24:\$22 25:\$12 2026	YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$15 24:-\$2 25:\$2 Bid Price	
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-108 DH-1	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 STL 420 .276 .791 51 16 51 7/4 37/104	24 STL 164 .201 .619 16 5 20 1/0 10/50	
25 STL 363 .215 .584 40 6 41 10/3 29/126	26 STL 490 .234 .668 59 15 61 10	

He's always hit the ball hard and he still does, but he used to make more contact and walk more. He's still young but walking less and striking out more is moving in the wrong direction. So, momentum is a problem. In the offseason Walker said that while working at Driveline Baseball he "found something real exciting" in his swing, which we have to hope he follows up by reporting to camp in the best shape of his career. He's too young and athletic to write off, but his line drive rates the last two years are 6.9 percent and 13.9 percent. Jazz Chisholm had the worst line drive rate among qualified hitters last year, with 14.3 percent. A certain amount of LD% is lucky/unlucky, but some stems from approach and clearly Walker's approach, at least until he found that something special, has been wrong. TM:STL

DAVE ADLER PAN: So much promise – but so little production. Seems lost at the plate, as strikeouts piled up. Hitting too many ground balls, leading to plunging power metrics. Lots of work to do here.

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: He has his flaws, several of them, but a visit to Driveline Baseball during the offseason and another opportunity for regular playing time suggests it's not time to give up on him just yet. He's still just 23 years old (!!) and his Statcast HardHit% and maxEV remind us of his immense raw power.

Matt Wallner

Bats: L	Age: 29	\$7
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$7 25:\$11 2026	YR/E 21: 22:-\$5 23:\$6 24:\$7 25:\$4 Bid Price	
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-85 DH-16	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 MIN 213 .249 .877 42 14 41 2/1 28/80	24 MIN 220 .259 .894 26 13 37 3/0 24/95	
25 MIN 336 .202 .776 47 22 40 4/3 46/114	26 MIN 410 .230 .760 59 23 61 5	

He didn't hit a lick against lefties until last year, when in limited play he reached parity against them. He also cut his overall strikeout rate to below 30 percent, in part because he struck out against lefties just 20 percent of the time. In 2024 it was nearly 50 percent of the time versus lefties, so maybe this represents the turning of a new leaf. Wallner has terrific power against righties, is patient and draws walks. It appears he is always going to struggle with his batting average. Last year's low BA, however, may have been the result of a low BABIP, but maybe not. His xBA was .206. The key for Wallner is playing time. Last year he lost six weeks to a hamstring pull in April and he missed the last week of the season with back spasms. He has a terrific arm which serves him and the Twins well in right field, but he doesn't cover much ground out there. If he can hold his ground against lefties, he

sat against the tough ones last year, he'll have a chance at 500 plate appearances and 30+ homers, but there are a few different reasons he might fall short again this year. TM:MIN
DAVE ADLER PICK: Injury issues impacted playing time, and low BABIP tanked BA. Power is legit, as exit velocity and launch angle are solid. Contact rate is still low, but much better than previous. With health, he could reach 30 HR level with a palatable BA.

Taylor Walls

Bats: B	Age: 30
YR/C 21: 22:\$1 23:\$1 24:\$1 25:	YR/E 21:-\$2 22:-\$2 23:\$4 24:-\$2 25:\$3
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-5 SS-94 3B-1 OF-0 DH-1	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 TBR 303 .201 .637 50 8 36 22/1 44/92	24 TBR 218 .183 .529 27 1 14 16/4 31/67
25 TBR 282 .220 .597 36 4 38 14/6 26/70	26 TBR 315 .213 .606 39 5 32 17

He's a terrible hitter who has fantasy significance because he's a very good fielder and he steals bases from time to time. His low batting average is a fact, despite a more contact oriented approach last year, and he should not be a factor on draft day. TM:TBR

Ryan Ward

Bats: L	Age: 28
ML C- 1B- 2B- SS- 3B- OF-OF DH-	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA 566 .290 .937 113 36 122 16/6 83/122	

He hit a ton of homers in a Triple-A park and league in which homers come fairly easily, but hitting the most homers in even the Pacific Coast League has to count for something. As an aging career minor league that's not a portent of a major career move, but he showed much improved patience and better contact skills last year and the Dodgers say he's going to get a chance to play with the big club this year. He should be on the fantasy radar not because he's going to produce, it's hard to see where the at bats will come from, but if he does get the chance there's a chance his power will translate. TM:LAD

Taylor Ward

Bats: R	Age: 33	\$17
YR/C 21:\$1 22:\$1 23:\$20 24:\$16 25:\$16 2026	YR/E 21:\$3 22:\$25 23:\$9 24:\$17 25:\$18 Bid Price	
ML C-0 1B-0 2B-0 SS-0 3B-0 OF-153 DH-4	YR TM AB BA OPS R HR RBI SB/CS BB/K	
23 LAA 356 .253 .771 60 14 47 4/2 39/80	24 LAA 585 .246 .748 73 25 75 6/4 63/163	
25 LAA 579 .228 .792 86 36 103 4/1 75/175	26 BAL 578 .241 .759 81 29 86 5	

He had a fine year for power, but his fantasy value took a hit because of his low batting average. Some of that was the result of hitting more flies, which become outs much more frequently when they don't leave the yard, and some was bad luck. His xBA of .242 is more in line with his historical profile. Offsetting that bad luck were all those homers, which Statcast says were kinda lucky. Ward's xHR was 29.3, seven below his actual total, which makes sense given he hit exactly the same number of barrels in 2024 and 2025. He got a little lucky, though he also hit 15 no doubters, seven more than he hit in 2024. Expect fewer homers this year and a batting average closer to 2024's as the Plexiglas springs back into shape. TM:BAL

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Gave up some LD (and BA) points to push FBs (and HRs) to career-highs. He would have been an easy Pick if not for the offseason trade that took him from LAA, one of the best HR parks for RHH (+16%, 4th), to BAL, one of the worst (-13%, 23rd). He also figures to slip down in the batting order, from 3rd/4th to 6th, which will cost him some PAs and counting stats.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: His new home park is significantly worse for right-handed home runs, which is a bad sign for a hitter who rarely steals bases and is a batting average detractor.

Drew Waters

Bats: B Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:\$5	24:	25:\$0	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-68	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	KCR	302	.228	.686	40	8	32	16/5	27/107
24	AAA	393	.290	.883	6	13	61	20/7	53/121
25	AAA	208	.236	.711	34	7	29	7/1	21/67
25	KCR	206	.243	.603	21	1	14	5/3	11/60

Intriguing power-speed combo but he's had persistent problems scaling his patience and contact skills to Triple-A much less the majors. He's been trying since 2019 with little success, which is not encouraging. TM:KCR

Austin Wells

Bats: L Age: 27 **\$10**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$12	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:\$6	25:\$9	Bid Price				
ML C-122	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	NY Y	70	.229	.752	8	4	13	0/0	3/14
24	NY Y	354	.229	.717	42	13	55	1/2	47/87
25	NY Y	401	.219	.711	51	21	71	5/1	30/118
26	NY Y	439	.226	.701	56	19	66		5

Going into last season the Yankees were talking about him being their leadoff guy, but once the season started he returned to the bottom of the order and struggled all season to find a groove. He did hit for more power by attacking the ball more and hitting it harder, but that led to a decrease in walks and a bump up in strikeouts. He hit a lot of fly balls last year, too, which led to a low BABIP and no apparent chance of him picking up his batting average. But hitting more home runs? Definitely a possibility. TM:NY Y

Jordan Westburg

Bats: R Age: 27 **\$16**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$20	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$16	25:\$11	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-17	SS-0	3B-53	OF-0	DH-16			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	BAL	208	.260	.728	26	3	23	4/1	16/56
24	BAL	416	.264	.792	57	18	63	6/3	22/97
25	BAL	328	.265	.770	59	17	41	1/2	17/80
26	BAL	565	.260	.756	83	25	79		7

He missed time in April with some upper-body pain, hit the IL at the end of the month with a hamstring strain, returned in mid-June but ten days later jammed his hand sliding and missed most of two weeks. He then hurt his ankle in mid-August and spent nearly a month on the IL, all of this after missing most of the last two months of 2024 with a broken hand after a hit by pitch. An injury history like this doesn't mean he will always get hurt, but whether it's because he plays hard or

recklessly or can't deal with pain, something is going on and we can't be sure what it is. Couple that with an aggressive approach that leads to more strikeouts than you'd like and caution is advised. TM:BAL

JJ Wetherholt

Bats: L Age: 24 **\$14**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price				
MN C-	1B-	2B-	SS-SS	3B-	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AAA	408	.306	.931	82	17	59	23/3	72/73
26	STL	329	.248	.692	41	8	37		7

The No. 7 overall in the 2024 draft, he split last year between Double and Triple-A, showing excellent strike zone skills, making lots of contact, and showing some power. He was named the Texas League MVP in Double-A and the International League's Top Prospect. He's expected to make the Cardinals opening day roster as the starting second baseman, pushed off short by MASN Wynn's strong defense, and should be an offensive plus right away, though spring struggles could slow his ascent. As an all-round prospect with no standout skill beyond his strong minor league hit tool his big league future could take any of a few tacks, causing him to pump up his fantasy power and speed numbers, or tamp them down in favor of solid contact. There is a non-zero chance he'll struggle with big league pitching and bust this year. But nobody is predicting his failure, they want to see how high he can jump. Track his progress in camp. If he's thriving look for at least solid everyday production from him. TM:STL

Shay Whitcomb

Bats: R Age: 28

ML C-0	1B-0	2B-9	SS-0	3B-8	OF-1	DH-2			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
24	AAA	413	.293	.923	8	25	91	26/8	53/95
25	AAA	405	.267	.869	68	25	64	16/2	52/120

TM:HO U

Eli White

Bats: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:	\$1	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	-\$3	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:\$6				
ML C-0	1B-4	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-83	DH-9			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	AAA	169	.254	.823	30	9	23	14/1	30/58
24	AAA	297	.290	.828	8	8	40	24/2	38/76
25	ATL	256	.234	.676	43	10	35	10/1	11/70

He played enough last year that the homers he hit and the steals he made added up to some fantasy value. He doesn't walk much and strikes out a lot for his power profile, but plays good enough defense that he may get a shot if someone like Michael Harris II gets hurt again, but it's probably safe to consider his 2025 season as a career year. TM:ATL

Tommy White

Bats: R Age: 23

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:					
ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-3B	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	360	.275	.773	49	12	51	3/1	29/54

The No. 40 overall pick in 2024, he made it to Double-A last year after hitting for good power in High-A. The power didn't follow at the higher level but his aggressive high-

contact approach led to a sweet batting average. That's not a true reflection of his prospect profile. Look for developing power this year in Double-A, he hits the ball hard with lots of contact, and likely advancement to Triple-A with some success. If all goes well he should see the majors in 2027. TM:ATH

Joey Wiemer

Bats: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:					
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:	25:-\$2					
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-23	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	MIL	367	.204	.650	48	13	42	11/4	36/116
24	AAA	295	.224	.663	3	3	24	10/4	55/98
25	AAA	286	.203	.671	38	11	48	13/2	41/87
25	MIA	55	.236	.715	7	3	12	0/0	2/23
26	WSN	113	.208	.607	13	3	14		2

He just doesn't hit the ball often enough when he swings, because he is hitting the ball fairly hard. If he somehow ends up getting at bats his combination of modest power and modest speed might be worth a modest waiver claim. TM:WSN

Brock Wilken

Bats: R Age: 24

ML C-	1B-	2B-	SS-	3B-3B	OF-	DH-			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
25	AA	270	.226	.876	46	18	46	2/0	69/93

The 2023 first round pick (No. 18 overall) by Milwaukee, he spent his second season in Double-A and hit with power and walked more but didn't much cut down on his strikeouts or make much more contact. He'll surely start the year in Triple-A and homers are likely to fall, but it's how much he strikes out that will foreshadow his major league production when the time comes. TM:MIL

Carson Williams

Bats: R Age: 23 **\$4**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4	Bid Price				
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-32	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0			
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K	
23	A+	435	.257	.854	76	23	81	20/10	59/158
24	AA	433	.256	.831	9	20	69	33/11	58/144
25	AAA	389	.213	.764	72	23	55	22/6	56/154
25	TBR	99	.172	.571	11	5	12	2/1	6/44
26	TBR	393	.215	.657	50	15	49		11

The Rays top prospect was a first rounder (No. 28 overall) out of high school in 2021 and has been young for his level each step up through the minors, yet he has hit for power and stolen bases consistently. He's also struck out a lot: Nearly 30 percent of the time in Double-A and more than 30 percent of the time in Triple-A. He's young, he has time to figure out how to hit more pitches, but striking out more than 40 percent of the time, as he did last year with Tampa, is not promising. Since 1980, there have been just 37 seasons a player with 100 or more plate appearances has struck out 40 percent or more of the time. A list of those who were 23 or younger gives an idea of the issue: Javier Baez, Taylor Trammel, Brett Jackson, Kyren Paris, Joey Gallo, Tyler O'Neill, Grant McCray, Jo Adell, and Carson Williams. Clearly this isn't a career-killer for Williams, who by all accounts is a brilliant fielder, but a reason not to expect him to break out this year. TM:TBR

Player Name

Jett Williams

\$2

Bats: R	Age: 23					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0F	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	486	.261	.827	91	17	52 34/9 76/131
26 MIL	122	.220	.659	16	4	14 4

He's a short guy who jacks fly balls to the pull side with impressive power and has stolen a lot of minor league bases in recent years. He's selective at the plate, walks a lot, and takes a lot of pitches, but makes decent contact when he decides to swing. Seven of his homers last year came in 151 Triple-A appearances. The Mets trading him to the Brewers means he's now a bulked up guy on a team with many soft strokers, which could land him plenty of playing time if he makes the team. But he might start the season in Triple-A hitting against better curves and improving his defensive work, where he says his focus will be playing shortstop. TM:MIL

Luke Williams

Bats: R	Age: 30					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-25	3B-4	OF-0	DH-4
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	355	.259	.787	62	12	53 28/6 50/89
24 AAA	216	.282	.852	1	9	40 18/4 21/62

He'll turn 30 this year with 349 career plate appearances and a .550 OPS. He's stolen some bases, five in 34 plate appearances last year, so he might help a needy fantasy team if he finds a backup role somewhere. TM:

Ben Williamson

Bats: R	Age: 26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$2	
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-85	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	210	.314	.854	35	5	46 10/1 25/32
25 SEA	277	.253	.602	36	1	21 5/1 15/64
26 SEA	321	.239	.613	38	4	29 6

We've seen enough of him and his bat to suspect he's never going to hit enough to hold a regular job at third base, where his skills are strong enough to carry a below average bat. TM:SEA

Jacob Wilson

\$14

Bats: R	Age: 24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$8	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$23	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-124	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
24 AAA	208	.433	1.146	3	7	39 2/1 14/15
24 OAK	92	.250	.626	11	0	3 0/0 8/10
25 ATH	486	.311	.798	62	13	63 5/2 27/39
26 ATH	560	.291	.741	71	12	64 5

Everyone knew Wilson would hit the ball but after his ho-hum cuppa in 2024 there were questions about whether he would hit it hard enough to pull off a Luis Arraez ascension. He did! At least until he slumped in July after he tried to play through a fractured forearm suffered on a hit by pitch. Thought at first to be a bruise, Wilson eventually landed on the IL and returned solidly in late August posting a .775 OPS in September. Wilson had a .489 SLG at home in Sacramento's Triple-A park, versus a .402 on the road, but he'll be playing again

in Sacramento this year. As with Arraez, the value of an elevated batting average is inflated in a fantasy pricing formula, not because the value isn't there if its impact is maximized, but because it is difficult to get that kind of efficiency. Plus, you can pay for a high average and the vagaries of BABIP can knock it down enough to cheat you. Wilson's xBA last year was .281, still nice, but not as valuable as the number he put up, which was the opposite of being cheated. Given how softly he generally hits the ball, expect more of the same with possibly less power. TM:ATH

ROTOROB PICK: May have some flaws in his game, but there is not likely a tougher player to strike out in the entire AL. If he can get his walk rate up to where it was in the minors, he'll be a .400 OBP guy in short order.

MIKE PODHORIZER PAN: It's hard to hit double digit home runs with so few barrels. Since he also possesses limited speed it makes him heavily reliant on BABIP to deliver fantasy value. It's the type of profile not worth investing in, particularly after significantly over performing his xwOBA.

Weston Wilson

Bats: R	Age: 32					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$1	\$2
ML C-0	1B-9	2B-11	SS-0	3B-1	OF-27	DH-2
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 AAA	460	.259	.885	90	31	86 32/6 75/146
24 PHI	88	.284	.836	13	3	10 3/0 8/29
25 AAA	114	.237	.742	25	3	12 5/3 22/29
25 PHI	111	.198	.649	15	5	17 2/3 12/34

TM:PHI

Will Wilson

Bats: R	Age: 28					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$5	
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
25 AAA	260	.246	.760	38	11	35 4/3 28/65
25 CLE	78	.192	.496	7	0	2 2/0 7/34

The Guardians removed him from their 40-man roster last November after less than promising results in Triple-A and unproductive results in Cleveland. TM:

Jesse Winker

\$1

Bats: L	Age: 33					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$6	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$3	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-2	DH-22
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 MIL	166	.199	.572	16	1	23 0/0 26/51
24 ---	430	.253	.763	63	14	58 14/4 63/106
25 NYM	70	.229	.709	8	1	10 1/0 9/21
26 ---	299	.238	.711	41	9	38 7

He came back in 2024 from injuries in 2022 and 2023, but can he do it again this year? Worth checking in on in spring training, but a speculative "yes" without evidence is risky. TM:---

Masyn Winn

\$15

Bats: R	Age: 24					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$16	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$12	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-129	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 STL	122	.172	.486	8	2	12 2/1 10/26
24 STL	587	.267	.728	85	15	57 11/5 41/109
25 STL	491	.253	.672	72	9	51 9/5 34/102
26 STL	575	.254	.685	76	13	62 12

His season ended in mid-September, with a

sore knee that required surgery to repair a torn meniscus. He hurt the knee in July and played through it until it was clear he was going to need surgery. His offense declined in the second half, perhaps because of the knee, but his first half numbers were down from his 2024. His component numbers are quite similar in both seasons, and his drop in power appears to be more about random variation than a decline in his hitting. Not that anyone is counting on Winn's power. He's a slick fielding shortstop ranked only behind Bobby Witt Jr. in Outs Above Average at the position. He's expected to be healthy and ready for spring training. TM:STL

TIM MCLEOD PICK: The potential demonstrated in his 2024 rookie season faded quickly in 2025 as Winn dealt with a torn meniscus and played through it for most of the year before finally opting for surgery at the end of September. In early drafts he's going as the 27th SS off-the-board with a 279 ADP. That level of discount is worthy of a bounce back type bet.

Brett Wisely

Bats: L	Age: 27					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$6	\$4
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-20	SS-1	3B-4	OF-0	DH-1
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 SFG	120	.175	.503	10	2	8 2/1 9/40
24 SFG	252	.238	.621	25	4	31 2/3 13/65
25 AAA	308	.256	.723	45	7	42 12/0 34/67
25 ---	54	.185	.585	5	1	10 1/1 7/14

He has a .609 career OPS in 466 plate appearances but plays good defense at a variety of positions and stole some bases in the minors. TM:ATL

Bobby Witt Jr.

\$44

Bats: R	Age: 26					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$47	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$39	Bid Price
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-154	3B-0	OF-0	DH-4
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI SB/CS BB/K
23 KCR	641	.276	.825	97	30	96 49/15 40/121
24 KCR	636	.332	.977	125	32	109 31/12 57/106
25 KCR	623	.295	.852	99	23	88 38/9 49/125
26 KCR	614	.302	.879	107	28	96 35

Only 10 players in major league history have more than 100 homers and more than 125 stolen bases through their year 25 season. Witt is one of them, though his homer total exceeds only Hanley Ramirez's and Bobby Bonds', and his stolen base total is only more than Darryl Strawberry's, Vada Pinson's, and Bobby Bonds'. His 2025 season felt like it never really got going, maybe because the Royals didn't really get going, but also because the BABIP good fortune that goosed his spectacular 2024 season flattened out a bit. By almost every skill measure he was exactly the same player he was the year before, only with not as many balls leading to hits and homers. His consistency (a solid floor) and the possibility he'll have good fortune (youthful upside) mean you'll have to pay a premium for him. The six who best Witt in homers and steals at age 25? A-rod, Trout, Acuña, Pinson, César Cedeño, and Barry Bonds. TM:KCR

Connor Wong

\$2

Bats: R Age: 30

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$10	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$17	25:\$6	Bid Price		
ML C-61	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	371	.235	.673	55	9	36	8/2	22/134
24 BOS	447	.280	.758	54	13	52	8/7	28/114
25 BOS	168	.190	.499	16	0	7	2/1	16/42
26 BOS	198	.244	.657	23	5	20	3	

He had a time of it in 2024, but hand problems slowed him down last year and he was pushed aside by Carlos Narvaez, who essentially Pipped him. He had surgery on his other hand in the offseason and is expected to be healthy for spring training, but reduced playing time limits his value even if he bounces back skillswise. TM:BOS

James Wood

\$25

Bats: L Age: 24

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$24	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$11	25:\$25	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-123	DH-33		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	473	.262	.884	80	26	91	18/3	65/173
24 WSN	295	.264	.781	43	9	41	14/8	39/97
25 WSN	598	.256	.825	87	31	94	15/7	85/221
26 WSN	561	.258	.798	84	25	82	18	

The first three months of his rookie year were gold, the last three not so much. His first half OPS dropped from .915 before the all star break to .690 afterwards, but it's perhaps more telling that his strikeout rate went from 27.6 percent to 39 percent. The former is high, but manageable for a guy hitting for power. The latter is untenable, especially for a guy whose power stroke for the most part disappeared. Maybe his game was thrown off kilter by major league pitchers adjusting to him, since he's always had a lot of swing and miss. There were reports that he also changed his swing as the season progressed trying to get more loft on the ball and that the grind of the long season wore his inexperienced body down. Whatever the case, by September he seemed to be adjusting back, striking out just as much but hitting the ball with more authority again. Woods has always been a very patient hitter drawing a lot of walks, but that patience can be a double-edged sword if it gives pitchers a chance to get ahead in the count. Woods was more aggressive in his September rebound and if that carries over to this year expect to see lots of homers and production and a lot of strikeouts, too. TM:WSN

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: The sky seems the limit after a 31-94 season at age 22, with a bright red Statcast page and 118 MaxEV that equated Aaron Judge's. But before pricing in the inevitable power growth, take note of the +50% GB rate and the 32% K-rate. Lots to like, but the investment will be very risky for a round 2 pick.

ROTOROB PAN: He is an amazing talent, but his rising K rate (he tied for the ML lead at 146 K%+) is worrisome and could ultimately cap his upside.

ALEX PATTON PICK: Hits the ball where it's pitched - far. Hit better against lefties. A bad second half gives him something to think about.

Gage Workman

Bats: L Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:\$0	23:-\$5	24:	25:\$2			
ML C-35	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 A+	355	.239	.751	73	13	48	19/3	48/139
24 AA	483	.280	.848	3	18	89	30/13	65/153
25 AAA	309	.230	.805	59	15	48	12/2	44/137

A bit of a sleeper last year because of his power and speed, whatever special talents he appeared to have were overwhelmed by a prodigious swing and miss. He's a good defender but is going to have to show a lot more hitting skills to win a job as a backup infielder in the majors. TM:DET

Austin Wynn

Bats: R Age: 36

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:\$0	23:-\$5	24:	25:\$2			
ML C-35	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-0	DH-1		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 ---	130	.208	.546	11	1	10	1/0	9/39
24 AAA	104	.250	.720	0	4	17	0/0	9/29
25 ---	103	.291	.862	13	6	21	0/0	5/32
26 ATH	152	.244	.690	18	5	20	1	

Has a strong record as a backup catcher, providing good defense when he plays and not playing enough to hurt much offensively. TM:ATH

Mike Yastrzemski

\$7

Bats: L Age: 36

YR/C	21:\$20	22:\$12	23:\$9	24:\$3	25:\$5	2026		
YR/E	21:\$12	22:\$8	23:\$6	24:\$9	25:\$9	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-140	DH-4		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 SFG	330	.233	.776	54	15	43	2/2	45/99
24 SFG	428	.231	.739	60	18	57	3/2	38/124
25 ---	477	.233	.734	68	17	46	7/2	72/108
26 ATL	404	.230	.719	56	16	50	5	

He doesn't hit lefties at all, he had a .427 OPS last year and he's been below .600 four of the last five years, but he hits righties enough to fit on the strong side of a platoon. Not someone to target in NL only, but for cheap in deep leagues he's playable. He was traded to Kansas City last season and continued to patiently take the walks that are given to him, but he also struck out a lot less frequently, actually walking more than he struck out. Supposedly this is because he was strictly platooned in KC and batted high in the order. He will likely be platooned strictly in his new home with the Braves, but is not likely to dislodge Ronald Acuna from the No. 1 spot. TM:ATL

ALEX PATTON PICK: He will be in the lineup every day in Atlanta. Save a few dollars for him in the end game; that's all it will take.

Christian Yelich

\$21

Bats: L Age: 35

YR/C	21:\$35	22:\$20	23:\$21	24:\$24	25:\$22	2026		
YR/E	21:\$12	22:\$24	23:\$29	24:\$19	25:\$28	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-19	DH-131		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 MIL	550	.278	.819	106	19	76	28/3	78/140
24 MIL	270	.315	.907	44	11	42	21/1	40/58
25 MIL	573	.264	.795	88	29	103	16/6	64/167
26 MIL	552	.266	.782	82	22	83	21	

It wasn't a return to his glory days in his twenties, but he bounced back after a year marred by injury and was a solid fantasy contributor last year. While he had a launch angle rebound after a few down years his hard hitting declined a bit, perhaps presaging some

age-related decline. Perhaps relatedly, he struck out more and walked less, suggesting caution going forward because good results are going to be getting harder for him as he gets older. He's not doomed this year, potentially able to be just as productive as last season, but with a higher chance of failure. TM:MIL

DAVE ADLER PAN: Healthy for a change, which led to a great year. But contact rate plunged and hard-hit rate fell below average. Too many ground balls and low chance of staying healthy add up to a likely step back.

Nick Yorke

\$3

Bats: R Age: 26

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-6	2B-14	SS-0	3B-1	OF-4	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 AA	444	.268	.792	74	13	61	18/5	51/122
24 AAA	472	.303	.840	5	12	72	21/7	60/101
25 AAA	401	.287	.754	55	7	59	17/6	36/97
25 PIT	69	.232	.583	7	1	8	1/0	3/15
26 PIT	134	.236	.653	16	3	15	3	

The Pirates haven't been in any hurry to promote him, which may have been justified by his struggles when he was called up last September. His impressive ability to take walks gave way to a more aggressive attempt to get to his pitch when it came, so he didn't strike out much more than he had in the minors. He should get a more extended look this year on the short side of the platoon, at least to begin, and given his somewhat struggling defense he could get stuck there. Don't bet on a breakout. TM:PIT

Masataka Yoshida

\$4

Bats: L Age: 32

YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$15	24:\$19	25:\$5	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$22	24:\$13	25:\$2	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-6	DH-44		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23 BOS	537	.289	.786	71	15	72	8/0	34/81
24 BOS	378	.280	.765	45	10	56	2/0	27/52
25 BOS	188	.266	.696	16	4	26	3/0	10/24
26 BOS	171	.268	.712	20	5	23	2	

After shoulder surgery last offseason Yoshida did not make it back until July and then played fairly regularly as the Red Sox DH against righties, seeing just 32 plate appearances against lefties. He has taken an aggressive approach since arriving in the US and makes lots of contact, not walking or striking out much at all. Last year he hit many more ground balls than he has in the past and his power faded, possibly an adjustment after the surgery, but his xBA was in line with past performance. In other words, his BABIP was low for so many ground balls hit fairly hard. He did play a little outfield but likely qualifies at DH only this year, and currently projects as a backup outfielder. TM:BOS

Cole Young

\$5

Bats: L Age: 23

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price		
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-73	SS-1	3B-0	OF-0	DH-0		
YR TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
25 AAA	206	.277	.853	39	5	26	4/2	31/28
25 SEA	223	.211	.607	24	4	24	1/0	28/47
26 SEA	371	.231	.650	38	5	35	4	36/66

The Mariners seem to be committed to

Player Name

Young as their second baseman this year even though he struggled last year and was pushed aside by their trading deadline moves. He has good contact skills and was perhaps too patient at the plate, going down looking on two-thirds of his strikeouts. But still, he drew plenty of walks and if he can put more balls into play on the ground, as he did while coming up, he could be an on-base machine. But he's not there yet. Expect some more growing pains this year with the chance of real progress at any time. TM:SEA

Jacob Young

Bats: R Age: 27

\$6

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$9	2026			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$0	24:\$16	25:\$3	Bid Price			
ML C-0	1B-0	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-112	DH-2			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	WSN	107	.252	.650	9	0	12	13/0	10/22
24	WSN	468	.256	.642	75	3	36	33/10	30/102
25	WSN	324	.231	.575	34	2	31	15/11	27/65
26	WSN	313	.245	.612	39	3	27	18	

The skills held up last year but the performance did not. He's a whack and run hitter with elite speed and excellent defense, the type of hitter who can change a game with a bunt hit, a steal, and scoring from second on a single. Except he's not quite that good with the bat. He gets tied up by four-seamers and so he saw more of them last year, and lost playing time as Washington tried out Robert Hassell III mostly against righties. Young missed time in May when he sprained his shoulder running into a wall but he was soon back playing more against lefties and sitting more against righties. The chance that that happens again is strong enough Young should be cheap this year, with a chance to earn in fantasy if he plays more and, especially, if he runs more effectively. He was caught a lot last year for a top 10 percent speed guy. TM:WSN

Jared Young

Bats: L Age: 31

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
ML C-0	1B-1	2B-0	SS-0	3B-0	OF-1	DH-14			
YR	TM	AB	BA	OPS	R	HR	RBI	SB/CS	BB/K
23	AAA	310	.310	1.003	71	21	72	7/3	50/84
24	AAA	235	.285	.917	9	11	35	6/4	41/53
25	AAA	284	.303	.969	54	18	52	8/2	45/57

TM:NYM

Where The Guide Came From

In September of 1999, Barry Rosenbloom emailed me and asked me if I wanted to start a fantasy baseball magazine. Barry was the publisher of a number of magazines, including Bridal Guide and Cracked. The Fantasy Baseball Guide fit right in.

I maybe took a heartbeat to say, Yes.

I'd never put a magazine together before. I'd written stories for magazines, most of them rejected, but I'd been a columnist for ESPN and Baseball Prospectus, so I knew how to write. But I really didn't know how magazines worked. But I learned.

Barry and his production czar, Bill Ziff, helped me put together the first magazine. And then another. Every year I thought the current issue would be the last, but it wasn't.

For 22 years we produced fantasy baseball and football guides and enough people bought them that we got to do it again the next year. That seemed crazy.

COVID was a problem, but the baseball magazine was already in the can in 2020. We skipped 2021 and after weak 2022 mag sales and increasing paper prices, Barry and Jeremy, Barry's successor as publisher, pulled the plug. No drama. Facts are facts.

I went solo after that. In 2023 I tried Substack, which was fun on the writing side, but a lot of readers struggled, as did I, with making the content legible. How do you make an easily thumbable resource online?

My buddy Alex Patton has done that with his pattonandco.com website for years. But it isn't a book or magazine, something you can take to the can or your ice fishing hut.

In 2023 I used the old Guide files as the foundation for a new Guide, broke them enough to make them mine, and published a hard copy version of the Guide using Amazon's Kindle Direct Publishing. Some people were happy. Barry and Jeremy graciously wished me luck.

I thank them for giving me the opportunity to create this magazine. I didn't get rich doing it, not close, and they didn't get rich supporting it. Not close. But we created something that a lot of folks enjoyed.

And in addition to Barry and Jeremy, I'd like to acknowledge Steve Moyer, Lawr Michaels, Tim McLeod, Alex Patton, Les Leopold, Bruce Buschel, RotoRob, Herija C. Green, Buck Davidson, Rob Leibowitz, Mike Fenger, JD Bolick Matthew Mougalian, and the scores of Picks and Pans writers over the last 25 years for helping make the Guide better. You are legion.

Pitchers A-Z Legend

Age equals 2026 minus the year of the player's birth.

Minor League Stats are compilations of High-A Double-A and Triple-A, with the highest level listed under TM. The stats are actual totals.

Player stats with a team name of --- played for multiple teams.

Projections with a team name of --- were free agents at press time.

2026 Bid Price is Rotoman's best guess at a bid price. It is supposed to serve as a guideline, an expression of Rotoman's thinking as of the end of January 2026.

The TJ is shorthand for ulnar collateral ligament replacement surgery, which everyone knows as Tommy John surgery. Since just about every pitcher has had it once, the shorthand abbreviations save valuable space and have reduced our expenses treating Carpal Tunnel Syndrome. If a pitcher has had the internal brace procedure, which can have a quicker recovery time, we mention it.

Andrew Abbott

\$10

Throws: L	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$4 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$2 24:\$1 25:\$20 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CIN	8-6	3.87	0	109.3	16	44/120	1.32
24	CIN	10-10	3.72	0	138	25	52/114	1.30
25	CIN	10-7	2.87	0	166.3	19	43/149	1.15
26	CIN	10-10	3.91	0	168	26	54/151	1.25

He ended 2024 on the IL with a shoulder strain and the injury lingered so that he wasn't activated last year until April 12. He's got four good pitches and showed better control last year, which helps, but he's not a big strikeout guy and allows a fair amount of fly balls, which is not a good profile for Great American Ballpark. Last year he had good luck leaving guys on and keeping the ball in the park, and that can't be expected to repeat, so consider last year's ERA an illusion. That makes him a risky guy to spend on for fantasy, but you'll probably have to.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: The early market is not bullish, which means he can actually be worse than last year and still return a profit. Regress-and-win players are my jam. The strikeouts will play, and fly-ball pitchers are misunderstood — at least they're showing control of their outcomes.

Mick Abel

\$2

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$12 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	5-6	4.13	0	113.3	15	65/132	1.26
24	AAA	3-12	6.46	0	108.7	15	78/117	1.82
25	AAA	7-2	2.20	0	98.3	6	40/114	1.11
25	---	3-4	6.23	0	39	8	16/39	1.51
26	MIN	5-6	4.71	0	111	16	48/105	1.40

He's been bombing as a top prospect for so long it's surprising. He made the majors last year and played for two teams. After landing with the Twins in late August he made two starts and two relief appearances and threw harder than he had been with Philadelphia. He struck more hitters out but also walked more. Most crucially, though the samples are so small it

may not mean anything, he allowed one homer in 14 innings with the Twins after allowing seven in 25 innings with the Phillies. He also allowed 13 earned runs with the Twins, but that seems to have been kind of unlucky. He's now at an age where many pitching prospects who have struggled figure it out, so there is a chance that this year he'll live up to the usual expectations for a first round pick in 2020, No. 15 overall. But there is a better chance, based on his performances so far, that he won't.

Bryan Abreu

\$5

Throws: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$2 24:\$3 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:	\$6 22:\$5 23:\$15 24:\$5 25:\$10 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	3-2	1.75	5	72	6	31/100	1.04
24	HOU	3-3	3.10	1	78.3	9	32/103	1.17
25	HOU	3-4	2.28	7	71	4	31/105	1.15
26	HOU	3-3	2.99	4	68	6	28/90	1.17

He walks too many but he's so hard to hit his WHIP rates aren't damaging, and he gets his strikeouts and holds. He's been durable, too, and a font of holds, which have real value in certain leagues that count them. Saying someone is durable too often means they're worn out, but there isn't much risk since his price should be modest.

JEFF WINICK PICK: Just an injury away from being the closer in Houston and has anyone else noticed the dearth of injury news regarding Josh Hader's shoulder. Great end of draft pickup.

Jason Adam

\$3

Throws: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$6 24:\$5 25:\$5 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$17 23:\$10 24:\$19 25:\$9 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	4-2	2.98	12	54.3	7	20/69	1.01
24	---	7-2	1.95	4	73.7	5	23/81	0.86
25	SDP	8-4	1.93	0	65.3	4	25/70	1.15
26	SDP	3-2	2.71	1	51	5	18/55	1.08

Set up guy star, he earned 60 holds the last two years but his season ended in September with surgery to repair a left quad. He's expected to be throwing during spring training but may start the season on the IL. Assuming the procedure is successful he should be setting up Mason Miller some time early in the season.

Travis Adams

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$16

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-4	3.93	3	68.7	5	23/64	1.28
25	MIN	1-4	7.49	0	33.7	6	17/31	1.69
26	MIN	2-3	5.03	0	65	9	25/55	1.40

Was solid enough in his first major league season against righties, but he struggled against lefties. He also allowed homers to righties as well as lefties. He'll likely get another chance to pitch middle relief at some point this year, but is going to have to show better control and a way to limit the long ball if he's to survive in the bigs.

Ty Adcock

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	5-1	5.02	3	28.7	3	15/32	1.81
25	AAA	1-3	4.66	3	36.7	7	14/35	1.08

Zach Agnos

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$11

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	8-3	1.38	17	52.3	3	11/63	0.78
25	COL	1-3	6.61	4	31.3	5	17/19	1.54
26	COL	2-2	5.28	1	50	8	21/39	1.45

Dazzled in Triple-A Albuquerque but he bombed in Denver and landed on the IL for two months in late July. He'll get another shot but it's Colorado, so it's hard not to think he's doomed until he gets out of town.

Julian Aguiar

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$10 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CIN	2-1	6.25	0	31.7	8	12/19	1.35
26	CIN	1-1	5.03	0	35	6	12/25	1.32

Coming back from October 2024 TJ.

Keegan Akin

\$1

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$1	22: 23:\$1 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:-\$9	22:\$4 23: 24:\$10 25:-\$1 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BAL	3-1	3.32	1	78.7	9	19/97	0.95
25	BAL	5-4	3.41	8	63.3	10	33/59	1.38
26	BAL	3-2	3.78	3	66	9	24/68	1.22

He was much less effective and less lucky, though still lucky in some ways, than he was in 2024, but did a creditable job in relief for the Orioles before and after a long IL stint with shoulder inflammation. But that was not a competitive team. Akin will work again as a setup guy in a revamped bullpen in Baltimore but will be pressed if he doesn't regain some of the knockout oomph he lost in the second half last year.

Alexander Alberto

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A+	2-2	2.59	6	48.7	1	21/64	1.18
26	CHW	3-3	4.89	0	52	6	31/42	1.62

Great stuff, terrible location. He has yet to reach Double-A but was exposed in the Rule 5 draft. Taken by the White Sox he'll have to spend the year in the majors for them to hold onto him. He throws 98, touches 101, and has a hard slider that generates a 60 percent miss rate. Could he close? If he throws enough strikes, and that might be a challenge.

Jorge Alcala

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22:\$3 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:\$3	22: 23: 24:\$4 25:-\$20

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIN	4-3	3.24	0	58.3	8	20/58	1.03
25	---	0-2	6.22	0	55	13	30/61	1.75

Sandy Alcantara

\$13

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$22 23:\$31 24: 25:\$13 2026
YR/E 21:\$27	22:\$46 23:\$7 24: 25:-\$13 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	7-12	4.14	0	184.7	22	48/151	1.21
25	MIA	11-12	5.36	0	174.7	22	57/142	1.27
26	MIA	11-12	4.31	0	187	22	58/155	1.27

Player Name

It looked like he would be a bust in his return from TJ after a terrible two months, fueled by control and homer problems, but he showed signs of improvement in the middle part of the season. Still, he wasn't helping anyone's fantasy team until mid August. In the eight starts from August 15 until the end of the season he had a 2.68 ERA, striking out 8.72 and walking 1.68. He allowed seven homers in 53.7 innings, and had a FIP of 3.62 (3.27 xFIP), so this still wasn't the Alcantara who won the Cy Young in 2022, but this is just his first year back. With velocity and durability and exacting control there is some chance Alcantara can break out again this year.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Seemed to finally hit his stride during the second half of 2025. He'll probably never be elite again, but at the right price he's going to help a lot of fantasy teams.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Overall, 2025 landed at 5.36 ERA/1.27 WHIP, 11% K-BB, which could hold down his draft cost. But Alcantara took most of the season getting up to speed after TJ return, and the bad stuff was up front: 6.36/1.42 with an 8% K-BB through July. Aug-Sept was close to vintage: 3.70/1.02, 17% K-BB. Assuming no health setbacks, Alcantara looks like a decent 2026 bet.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: Not all returns from TJS are created equal. He struggled early but finished 2025 strong, reeling off eight consecutive starts that should be a reminder of just how good he can be when healthy. I'm betting he carries that strong finish into 2026 and at his current draft price returns a healthy profit.

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: It was a tale of two halves, as his velocity, strikeout, and walk rates all improved over the season's final three months. We should see that second half version over a full season this year after he shook off the rust from missing the entire 2024 season recovering from Tommy John surgery.

Sam Aldegheri

Throws: L Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	6-9	3.59	0	95.3	3	41/134	1.15
25	AAA	8-8	3.78	0	133.3	13	60/113	1.36

Jason Alexander

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$3	23:	24:	25:-\$8				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	2-4	6.14	1	63	5	21/44	1.71
24	AAA	7-6	4.42	0	138.3	12	39/129	1.32
25	AAA	6-0	1.55	0	64	3	29/57	1.22
25	---	4-2	4.77	1	77.3	15	26/65	1.37

Scott Alexander

Throws: L Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$0	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	7-3	4.66	1	48.3	2	11/31	1.37
24	OAK	1-3	2.56	0	38.7	3	15/31	1.20
25	AAA	0-0	13.50	0	5.3	1	2/3	2.75

Tyler Alexander

Throws: L Age: 32

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$8	23:-\$2	24:-\$9	25:-\$12	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	2-1	4.50	0	44	8	5/44	1.11
24	TBR	6-5	5.10	0	107.7	23	24/90	1.25
25	---	5-14	4.98	1	97.7	9	30/82	1.41
26	TEX	3-4	4.77	0	78	12	21/65	1.30

Possible committee of closers in Texas? He's one of them, at least for now.

Kolby Allard

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$11	22:	23:	24:-\$9	25:\$4				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	PHI	2-0	5.00	0	27	5	8/23	1.56
25	CLE	2-2	2.63	0	65	5	14/42	1.20

Logan Allen

Throws: L Age: 28

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$1	24:-\$24	25:-\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	7-8	3.81	0	125.3	16	48/119	1.40
24	CLE	8-5	5.73	0	97.3	22	41/79	1.59
25	CLE	8-11	4.25	0	156.7	18	62/122	1.40
26	CLE	7-8	4.69	0	125	19	49/100	1.44

He managed to stay in the rotation but his lack of dominance makes him vulnerable, especially to righty hitters. With his low number of strikeouts and allowing more walks than you'd like, it's hard to see him with a fantasy rosterable profile. He benefited last year by allowing fewer homers, but if 2024's home run rate was a little high last year's was a little low. Meeting in between will not be good for his ERA or any fantasy value you can conjure unless he either strikes more guys out or allows fewer baserunners.

Elvis Alvarado

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-1	3.38	8	29.3	3	13/34	1.13
25	ATH	1-1	3.19	0	42.3	6	22/50	1.33

Jose Alvarado

Throws: L Age: 31

\$2

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$1	23:\$3	24:\$13	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:\$4	22:-\$1	23:\$7	24:\$0	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	0-2	1.74	10	41.3	3	18/64	1.16
24	PHI	2-5	4.09	13	61.7	6	28/63	1.26
25	PHI	4-2	3.81	7	26	4	7/32	1.31
26	PHI	4-4	3.64	6	64	7	25/70	1.24

His fast start last year was cut short by a PEDs suspension and he had a hard time of it when he returned, at least in part because of a sore forearm. The Phillies reported the forearm was completely healed by December and Alvarado is expected to be the primary setup guy for the team, assuming he didn't use more PEDs this time. He should see some saves and lots of holds if he regains his effectiveness, making him a valuable fantasy piece depending on your league's rules.

Andrew Alvarez

Throws: L Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-7	4.10	0	123	13	52/114	1.35
26	WSN	3-4	4.06	0	99	11	37/75	1.32

The former 12th rounder (2021) made five starts in September. Three good ones, one indifferent, and one dog, while he only got to the sixth inning once. His stuff is very middle of the road, not hard, not biting, it doesn't miss many bats but is thrown with decent location and generates lots of ground balls. It isn't a sexy fantasy profile but if he's called up he'll probably be worth streaming, though likely to every once in a while get knocked around.

Adbert Alzolay

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:\$16	25:				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:	23:\$15	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	2-5	2.67	22	64	5	13/67	1.02
26	NYM	2-3	4.02	3	62	10	20/56	1.26

August 2024 TJ, so he should be ready for spring training, with all the qualifiers that requires.

Drew Anderson

Throws: R Age: 32

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
26	DET	4-5	4.11	0	99	12	41/102	1.31

Signed with the Tigers after two years in Japan and two years in Korea. He's only got 44.3 major league innings under his belt, from 2017 to 2021, with a 6.50 ERA. Last year he added a new change up and not only blew KBO batter away, he walked far fewer hitter than he had in previous years. Striking out 12.8 in Korea does not translate to a high strikeout rate in the majors, but if the improved control sticks and he's better able to miss bats than he was the first time around, he might have fantasy value.

Grant Anderson

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$8	24:-\$15	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	2-1	5.05	0	35.7	5	14/30	1.46
24	TEX	0-1	8.10	1	26.7	11	10/29	1.64
25	MIL	2-6	3.23	0	69.7	8	29/74	1.27

Kade Anderson

Throws: L Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
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The third overall pick out of LSU last July, he has yet to play a professional game. The Mariners didn't have him pitch in the minors because he'd pitched 119 innings at LSU. He's thought to have major-league ready stuff and if he proves that in the early going in the minors there's some chance he'll be promoted to the big club in the second half of the season.

Tyler Anderson

Throws: L Age: 37

YR/C	21:\$1	22:	23:\$8	24:	25:\$1
YR/E	21:-\$2	22:\$31	23:\$18	24:\$1	25:-\$13

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	6-6	5.43	0	141	20	64/119	1.49
24	LAA	10-15	3.81	0	179.3	24	73/142	1.29
25	LAA	2-8	4.56	0	136.3	28	57/104	1.41
26	--	6-10	4.63	0	144	24	59/112	1.38

His great 2022 with the Dodgers suckered the Angels into signing him to a three-year deal that ended after last season. Not enough strikeouts, too many homers allowed, and too many free passes given amounts to a steep hill for him to get up to succeed.

Shawn Armstrong

Throws: R Age: 36 **\$1**

YR/C	21:\$1	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:-\$9	22:-\$5	23:\$11	24:-\$13	25:\$19	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	1-0	1.38	0	52	2	11/54	0.90
24	---	3-3	4.86	1	66.7	6	25/66	1.54
25	TEX	4-3	2.31	9	74	5	20/74	0.81
26	CLE	3-3	3.63	4	68	7	22/67	1.18

Three straight years he's had super-low HR/FB rates, which usually regress toward 12 or 13 percent. This is especially important for pitcher who allows a lot of fly balls, as Armstrong does. Last year he had a super-low BABIP, which led to a super-low WHIP and a better than should be expected ERA, though his 2.96 xERA was just fine. He also saved and held games last year for the Rangers but he isn't expected to be in position for much of that. As a middle relief guy without a big strikeout portfolio he's of end of endgame interest in AL only leagues if he's not used in high leverage situations.

Jamie Arnold

Throws: L Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
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No. 11 overall from last July's amateur draft, he didn't pitch professionally and will make his debut this spring. He's got a terrific slider and a very good fastball and, as they say, a developing changeup. He's not a big guy in the classic first-round fast-riser mold, but his feel for pitching is considered a reason he might advance quickly. That probably doesn't mean this year, but with success anything is possible. Don't sleep on him if he gets going. TM:ATH

Spencer Arrighetti

Throws: R Age: 26 **\$2**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$10	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$12	25:-\$9	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	HOU	7-13	4.53	0	145	21	65/171	1.41
25	HOU	1-5	5.35	0	35.3	6	20/31	1.42
26	HOU	4-7	4.63	0	87	13	39/90	1.38

Some things can't be avoided, like a line drive during batting practice before an April game that winged him and broke his thumb on his pitching hand. That cost him four months of last season. Then, after five August starts, he came down with elbow inflammation that ended his season. He's recovered in the offseason and should enter spring training without limitation, except for maybe his ability to avoid walks and home runs. Those two deficits are hard to overcome, so he's a project this year, but the ability to miss bats he showed in 2024 is a reason to take a cheap flyer.

Aaron Ashby

Throws: L Age: 28 **\$1**

YR/C	21:	22:\$6	23:\$4	24:\$2	25:	2026
YR/E	21:-\$4	22:-\$1	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$8	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIL	1-2	2.86	0	28.3	2	10/33	1.07
25	MIL	5-2	2.16	3	66.7	3	24/76	1.18
26	MIL	4-3	3.07	1	64	5	26/68	1.23

He was a frustrating starter because the Brewers wouldn't let him go five innings, which meant not a lot of wins. As a full-time reliever last year he was effective but not in position to pick up many wins or saves. He can get hitters out with a kicking sinker-curve combo, so maybe higher leverage will come his way. But maybe not.

Braxton Ashcraft

Throws: R Age: 27 **\$5**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-3	5.03	0	48.3	5	19/56	1.50
25	PIT	4-4	2.71	0	69.7	3	24/71	1.26
26	PIT	7-7	3.62	0	145	13	48/135	1.27

Called up in late May, he worked primarily in relief throwing lots of ground balls and just one homer in 33.3 innings. The Pirates asked him to start on August 9 and though he only went 3.3 innings that game his next three starts he went 5 or more before slowing down in September, pitching less than five in three starts and two relief appearances. But overall the results were fine, with a 2.23 ERA, striking out more than 10 and walking fewer than 3 per 9, and only two homers in 36.3 innings. Some of the luck indicators point against him and his xERA is a lesser but not unpalatable 3.43. He should be part of the Pirates rotation, which means he's unlikely to be in a rich environment for wins, but has shown enough with three quality breaking balls that he throws for strikes that he might make a solid back end of the rotation pitcher for fantasy.

Graham Ashcraft

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:	25:\$1
YR/E	21:	22:-\$5	23:-\$8	24:-\$16	25:-\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CIN	7-9	4.76	0	145.7	23	52/111	1.37
24	CIN	5-5	5.24	0	77.3	11	27/57	1.50
25	CIN	8-5	3.99	0	65.3	2	25/64	1.43
26	CIN	4-4	4.21	1	65	6	23/57	1.37

Switched over to the bullpen last year and went strictly cutter-slider to good effect. He should work in setup again and big strikeouts don't appear to be in the cards, but holds do.

Javier Assad

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:
YR/E	21:	22:-\$2	23:\$9	24:-\$5	25:-\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	5-3	3.05	0	109.3	13	41/94	1.23
24	CHC	7-6	3.73	0	147	20	63/124	1.40
25	CHC	4-1	3.65	0	37	3	12/23	1.22
26	CHC	3-2	3.93	0	61	7	24/49	1.33

He missed the first four months last year with an oblique strain and made a total of seven starts on the year, with one relief appearance. He doesn't throw hard but his cutter-sinker combination are effective, especially with his fourseamer, slider, curve, and change up

mixed in. He's managed to keep his actual ERA well-below his estimated ERAs, either by some special magic or by good luck. He's not in the rotation heading into camp but when someone gets hurt or is ineffective he could be asked to step up. He's risky enough to wait on.

Luinder Avila

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-3	5.01	0	59.3	7	26/71	1.32

Lake Bachar

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	MIA	8-2	3.93	3	71	10	30/75	1.20
26	MIA	3-2	4.12	1	56	8	24/57	1.30

Effectively worked in long relief last season after years of developing, first with the Padres and in recent years with the Marlins. Longmen often come into games with their team behind, giving them a chance to win games as Bachar did last year, though he only went more than one inning 20 times. So maybe medium man.

Sam Bachman

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	1-6	4.82	0	61.7	10	21/50	1.28
25	AAA	1-1	0.66	5	27.3	0	17/27	1.37

Kyle Backhus

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	2-3	3.79	1	35.7	4	18/44	1.23
25	AAA	4-4	2.05	0	26.3	1	10/37	1.46
25	ARI	0-3	4.62	2	25.3	3	8/22	1.43

Bryan Baker

Throws: R Age: 32 **\$3**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:-\$2	23:-\$1	24:-\$6	25:\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	4-3	4.00	0	45	4	24/51	1.27
24	BAL	1-1	5.01	0	23.3	3	7/23	1.17
25	---	4-4	4.06	3	68.7	13	17/83	1.11
26	TBR	3-3	3.94	2	63	9	21/70	1.19

His power pitch is a 96.7 mph fourseamer and his breaking pitch is a 88.5 mph slider, but his out pitch is his 85.1 mph change. The Rays traded for him just before the All Star break last year and he may be a part of their crowded closing mix this year, because that's the way they roll. He may do a fine job, he does miss bats, but he is also touched hard when he is touched, and allowed too many homers, leaving him with a fantasy-unfriendly ERA.

Anthony Banda

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:-\$3	22:-\$3	23:	24:\$0	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	2-5	7.58	0	65.3	9	32/62	1.78
24	LAD	3-2	3.08	2	49.7	5	18/50	1.26
25	LAD	5-1	3.18	0	65	8	34/61	1.22

Player Name

Tanner Banks

Throws: L	Age: 35							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:-\$3	24:-\$4	25:\$8				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHW	1-4	4.43	1	61	10	16/51	1.23
24	---	2-3	3.98	2	72.3	6	25/78	1.30
25	PHI	6-2	3.07	1	67.3	9	12/61	1.01
26	PHI	3-2	3.77	1	62	8	18/60	1.20

He had a fine year in middle relief and will be expected to do more of the same. He counts as a safe choice when you need a relief pitcher to fill in, but not draftable.

Hunter Barco

Throws: L	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-1	2.81	0	99.3	5	49/116	1.20

A 2022 second-round pick, No. 44 overall, he struggled with his control after promotion to Triple-A last year. He'll take another stab it, waiting, once he has some success, for an opening in the Pirates rotation. His splitter is good enough to warrant fantasy attention if he makes it. TM:PIT

Scott Barlow

Throws: R	Age: 34							
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$13	23:\$14	24:\$1	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$19	23:-\$1	24:-\$6	25:-\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-6	4.00	13	68	4	34/79	1.40
24	CLE	3-3	4.25	2	55	6	31/68	1.36
25	CIN	6-3	4.21	1	68.3	8	45/75	1.40

Mason Barnett

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-2	6.13	0	119	17	65/124	1.60

Chris Bassitt

Throws: R	Age: 37	\$2						
YR/C 21:\$14	22:\$18	23:\$14	24:\$18	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:\$22	22:\$14	23:\$20	24:-\$13	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	16-8	3.60	0	200	28	59/186	1.18
24	TOR	10-14	4.16	0	171	18	70/168	1.46
25	TOR	11-9	3.96	0	170.3	22	52/166	1.33
26	---	10-10	4.17	0	164	20	58/153	1.35

His fantasy value is negative because of his qualitatives, which offset mediocre strikeout and win totals. But it's the kind of negative that might play better if you have a staff full of low ERA/WHIP pitchers, maybe an ace and heavy on relievers. You have to worry about the homers he allows and the chance he's going to age out, so only a very small bid if the shoe fits.

Brady Basso

Throws: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	OAK	1-1	4.03	0	22.3	3	5/19	1.27
25	AAA	0-0	8.00	0	9	1	3/11	1.67

Jackson Baumeister

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	2-4	4.62	0	62.3	6	25/51	1.26

Not many strikeouts in Double-A. TM:TBR

Felix Bautista

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$18	24:	25:\$20				
YR/E 21:	22:\$15	23:\$26	24:	25:\$5				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	8-2	1.48	33	61	4	26/110	0.92
25	BAL	1-1	2.60	19	34.7	3	23/50	1.14

Made it back from October 2023 TJ last year, but his season ended in August with surgery to repair a torn labrum and rotator cuff. He's out for at least 12 months and probably won't return until late this year, if then.

Shane Baz

Throws: R	Age: 27	\$9						
YR/C 21:	22:\$11	23:	24:\$8	25:\$8	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$8	23:	24:\$8	25:-\$11	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TBR	4-3	3.06	0	79.3	9	27/69	1.06
25	TBR	10-12	4.87	0	166.3	26	64/176	1.34
26	BAL	10-10	4.17	0	168	23	62/167	1.26

His profile writes itself with a lot of headlines. Number one, he stayed healthy! Number two, he stunk things up at Steinbrenner Field. Number three, You have to know your righties, as the Clash might say, and he definitely struggled with them. Here's the evidence: 1) He made 31 starts. 2) He allowed 18 homers at home, eight on the road. 3) He had a 3.48 FIP against lefties, and a 5.12 against righties. So, maybe he'll keep his health, which has been a problem his whole career since being a first-round pick (12th overall) in 2017. And maybe he'll be helped by the trade to Baltimore, though Oriole Park is better for homers than the Trop. But righties he's going to have figure out for himself. A small bet could pay off big if he's able to make the needed adjustments, his stuff is that good.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Finally looks healthy.

Ugly ERA - partly due to home games at Steinbrenner Field - hid some positives. Velocity is back to pre-injury levels, and he struck out a ton of hitters, particularly in the second half. If he stays healthy, he'll be a solid contributor.

ALEX PATTON PICK: It's a bold GM who parts with a slew of prospects for a Rays pitcher. I'm going to be bold and say the Orioles win this one.

Eduard Bazardo

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$4	25:\$12	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SEA	2-0	4.88	0	27.7	2	9/33	1.07
25	SEA	5-0	2.52	0	78.7	9	27/82	1.02
26	SEA	3-2	3.52	0	68	8	23/71	1.13

Established himself as a set-up's setup guy last year and that means holds, good qualitatives, and wins when you have to play him. The lucky for pitchers stats all leaned in his direction last year, so see how he's doing before making a play for him on waivers.

Tristan Beck

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-0	2.59	2	31.3	0	14/38	1.13
25	SFG	1-0	4.61	2	56.7	7	16/41	1.12

David Bednar

Throws: R	Age: 32	\$17						
YR/C 21:	22:\$12	23:\$17	24:\$20	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:\$10	22:\$8	23:\$22	24:-\$8	25:\$16	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	3-3	2.00	39	67.3	3	21/80	1.10
24	PIT	3-8	5.77	23	57.7	9	28/58	1.43
25	---	6-5	2.30	27	62.7	4	19/86	1.05
26	NY	4-5	3.59	26	65	7	24/76	1.18

Bounced back after his ugly 2024 season wracked with injuries, serving as a very effective closer for the Pirates and then, after the trade deadline, the Yankees. There is no reason, apart from health, to think he won't be able to repeat, with the proviso that the Yankees are always tinkering and in Camilo Doval have another proven closer in the bullpen, albeit one with control issues.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: 2025 numbers were not as good as they seemed. He may be fine, but his inconsistent history should lead you to look elsewhere.

Jalen Beeks

Throws: L	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:-\$10	24:-\$8	25:\$2				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	2-3	5.95	1	42.3	4	21/47	1.49
24	---	7-4	4.50	10	70	6	27/55	1.49
25	ARI	5-3	3.77	1	57.3	6	20/47	1.09

The expected stats show somewhat consistent talent which isn't dominant, but might work at any time. That's a reason to take a lotto shot for Beeks if he's on the waiver wire.

Clayton Beeter

Throws: R	Age: 28	\$7						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	3-1	2.08	0	39	1	21/56	1.03
25	AAA	1-1	4.23	2	27.7	0	23/46	1.58
25	---	0-3	4.26	1	25.3	3	18/33	1.24
26	WSN	2-3	3.83	8	63	7	31/70	1.28

He pitched 53 innings last year and walked 41 hitters, which doesn't feel like a viable closer. He's struggled walking too many since he signed with the Dodgers in 2021 as the 66th pick overall in the draft out of Texas Tech. Major league closers have held onto jobs while wild. In the roto age Rob Dibble walked 9.1 per 9 in 1993 and still managed to save 91 games. John Rocker in 2020 walked 8.2 per 9 and saved 24. But in the 2020s things seem to have gotten more under control. Tanner Scott saved 20 in 2022 while walking 6.6 per 9. Alex Reyes in 2021 saved 29 while walking 6.5. Alex Lange (2023), Aroldis Chapman (2021), and Felix Bautista (2025) round out our group of pitchers with 15 or more saves while walking 6 or more per 9 innings. Chapman has redeemed himself but this list should be a caution. Beeter finished the season strong, allowing runs in just one of his last 18 games last year for a 1.08 ERA and a 5.40 walk rate per 9. So there's got to be hope, especially because Cole Henry, the other choice in the Nats pen, isn't so great with the control either.

ALEX PATTON PICK: A killer slider. He's the Nats' closer if he can throw it for strikes.

Brayan Bello

\$7

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$2 24:\$9 25:\$5 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$2 23:\$0 24:\$-9 25:\$10 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	12-11	4.24	0	157	24	45/132	1.34
24	BOS	14-8	4.49	0	162.3	19	64/153	1.36
25	BOS	11-9	3.35	0	166.7	16	59/124	1.24
26	BOS	10-9	4.14	0	156	18	56/129	1.34

He missed most of spring training with a strained shoulder, and returned for the last week of April. He changed his pitch mix, adding more four seamers and cutters, but apart from striking out fewer hitters his numbers barely budged. Except ERA. Last year's was about a run better than the estimators suggest it should have been and while maybe he'll find a way to strike out more hitters and walk fewer it is otherwise likely that that ERA will rise back up into the 4.00s, which is not good for fantasy value.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Solid surface stats, but trouble bubbling below the surface. Big drop in swinging strike rate; second half ERA helped by low BABIP. Expect an ERA north of 4.00.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: A significant strikeout rate decline without much improvement in walk rate drove a more than full run reduction in ERA?! Uhhh no, that's not sustainable. He'll be back in the free agent pool in shallow mixed leagues after just a couple of starts.

Valente Bellozo

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$-4 25:\$-8

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIA	3-4	3.67	0	68.7	15	21/44	1.32
25	MIA	1-4	4.65	0	81.3	15	23/54	1.33

Very hittable swingman with little strikeout power who allows a lot of homers.

Anthony Bender

\$2

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22:\$8 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:\$6	22: 23: 24:\$-3 25:\$7 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIA	5-2	4.08	1	53	3	18/59	1.28
25	MIA	3-5	2.16	4	50	3	21/42	1.06
26	MIA	3-3	3.56	2	61	5	23/58	1.24

Hard-throwing sweeper-sinker specialist added a slider last year and saw his strikeout rate drop a bit, but his ERA earned him roto profits based on his lucky BABIP, LOB%, and HR/FB rate. His xERA of 3.56 was in line with past performance, so don't get fooled into thinking with the new pitch he was a new man. He should, however, be in the mix for holds again this year.

Jake Bennett

Throws: L	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	2-5	2.27	0	75.3	3	19/64	1.08

Not many strikeouts in Double-A. TM:BOS

Ryan Bergert

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$-1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	0-2	4.03	0	44.7	7	18/44	1.52
25	---	2-2	3.66	0	76.3	8	35/73	1.26
26	KCR	2-3	4.29	0	68	9	29/60	1.34

Was called up late in April to relieve, joined the rotation in May and was pretty lucky for the Padres before being traded to the Royals at the deadline. He was much the same pitcher for the Royals, though not as lucky but lucky enough until two very bad games wrecked his ERA. Then he broke down in mid September with a strained elbow. He's expected to be fine by camp. He was solid last year avoiding hard contact but walked too many and allowed a lot of fly balls. Things could go south for him very quickly with a little less luck.

Brennan Bernardino

Throws: L	Age: 34
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$-1 24:\$-6 25:\$0

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	2-1	3.20	0	50.7	4	18/58	1.30
24	BOS	4-3	4.06	0	51	6	22/56	1.41
25	BOS	4-3	3.14	1	51.7	1	26/43	1.27

Jose Berrios

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:\$23	22:\$23 23:\$7 24:\$14 25:\$11 2026
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$-4 23:\$16 24:\$15 25:\$-2 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	11-12	3.65	0	189.7	25	52/184	1.19
24	TOR	16-11	3.60	0	192.3	31	54/153	1.16
25	TOR	9-5	4.17	0	166	26	56/138	1.30
26	TOR	8-6	4.14	0	139	22	43/116	1.26

He made 30 starts but his season ended early with elbow inflammation and he didn't pitch in the post-season. It was his first career trip to the IL. He was expected to be okay for spring training after ramping up an offseason throwing program in November and imaging showed no structural damage, but we know how these things can go so caution is advised. He's always been homer-hittable and he was again last year, but he was hurt walking more than in any season since 2020 and with decreased velocity his strikeout rates the last two seasons have been the lowest of his career. He's a storied vet with excellent control and a solid fantasy history, but the indicators are all going the wrong way for him.

Prelander Berroa

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	5-1	2.89	6	65.3	2	39/101	1.29
24	AAA	3-5	6.41	0	46.3	7	35/49	1.84

TM:CWS

Tanner Bibee

\$14

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$17 25:\$18 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$17 24:\$17 25:\$2 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	10-4	2.98	0	142	13	45/141	1.18
24	CLE	12-8	3.47	0	173.7	22	44/187	1.12
25	CLE	12-11	4.24	0	182.3	27	54/162	1.23
26	CLE	12-10	3.89	0	182	25	52/173	1.20

Coming off a surprisingly good season last year he dramatically revamped his pitch mix, cutting back on the four seamer and adding a cutter and a sinker. The results were disappointing on the surface, his ERA up .80, but his xERA actually decreased. Still, he struck out fewer, walked more, and allowed more homers, which isn't usually the way you want to go. All three of those indicators moved in the right direction after the All Star break, perhaps hearkening a rebound in the making.

Oswaldo Bido

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$2
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$-11 24:\$3 25:\$-21

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	2-5	5.86	0	50.7	4	21/48	1.50
24	OAK	5-3	3.41	0	63.3	3	26/63	1.09
25	ATH	2-5	5.87	1	79.7	19	35/68	1.62
26	TBR	1-1	4.73	0	22	3	9/20	1.37

Swingman was removed from the Marlins 40-man roster in January. Claimed by the Angels.

Shane Bieber

\$13

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$40	22:\$29 23:\$26 24:\$15 25:\$3 2026
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$29 23:\$6 24: 25:\$1 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	6-6	3.80	0	128	14	34/107	1.23
25	AAA	1-1	1.86	0	29	3	3/37	0.86
25	TOR	4-2	3.57	0	40.3	8	7/37	1.02
26	TOR	9-7	3.68	0	143	19	36/136	1.18

Returned from the IL in August after April 2024 TJ, activated by a new team (the Blue Jays) after being traded while on the IL at the deadline. He made seven starts for Toronto in the regular season and four more plus a relief appearance in the postseason and showed his characteristic excellent control. Control is usually the last skill to return after TJ so that's a good sign going forward. He also uncharacteristically allowed eight homers in 40 innings, the result of an unusual for him number of hard hit balls. Chalk that up to rust and the inherent danger in Bieber's profile. He throws five pitches with exacting control when he's on, but has a long injury history that has muted his fantasy value. His health looks good for this year, for now at least.

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: Still hasn't proven he can hold up for a full season, his velocity isn't quite back to where it was in his early days, and it turns out he was dealing with right forearm fatigue at the end of last season.

Hunter Bigge

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	1-1	2.45	8	22	4	9/39	0.91
26	TBR	1-1	3.81	0	46	7	18/47	1.27

Went down with a lat strain early in the season and then was hit in the face by a ball in the dugout in June and suffered fractures, and ended up missing most of 2025. He pitched for Aguilas in the Dominican Winter League in the offseason and is expected to be ready for spring training hoping to win a job in the Rays bullpen

Player Name

Jake Bird

Throws: R	Age: 31						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$6	23:-\$4	24:-\$12	25:-\$13			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 COL	3-3	4.33	0	89.3	6	27/77	1.36
24 COL	2-2	4.50	1	40	5	25/31	1.70
25 ---	4-2	5.53	0	55.3	7	25/66	1.54

Hayden Birdsong

Throws: R	Age: 25						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$9	25:-\$11			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24 SFG	5-6	4.75	0	72	11	43/88	1.39
25 AAA	1-3	6.23	0	39	9	30/47	1.85
26 SFG	4-4	4.80	0	65.7	10	37/68	1.50
25 SFG	3-3	4.56	0	61	9	32/64	1.40

He's got very good stuff but his ongoing control problems might have him on the outside looking in in San Francisco. He had a much better ERA in relief than starting, but he walked nearly four per 9 and allowed four homers in 23.3 relief innings. He has to fix this before he'll have fantasy relevance.

Spencer Bivens

Throws: R	Age: 32						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:-\$3			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24 SFG	3-1	3.14	1	48.7	9	11/37	1.20
25 SFG	4-3	4.00	3	81	6	25/61	1.33
26 SFG	3-2	3.93	1	70	8	22/54	1.31

Was the Giants closer the last week of the season, but that's not likely his future.

Mason Black

Throws: R	Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$16	25:			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24 SFG	1-5	6.44	0	36.3	7	15/31	1.69
25 AAA	3-10	5.81	0	119.3	17	62/114	1.48

Paul Blackburn

Throws: R	Age: 33						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:			
YR/E 21:-\$6	22:-\$5	23:-\$11	24:-\$7	25:-\$13			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 OAK	4-7	4.43	0	103.7	11	43/104	1.54
24 ---	5-4	4.66	0	75.3	12	21/59	1.29
25 AAA	5-3	3.09	0	55.3	5	19/56	1.13
25 ---	0-3	6.23	1	39	6	12/34	1.51
26 NYY	3-3	4.76	0	62	9	20/52	1.35

Signed by the Yankees, he's a starter of last resort who allows too many homers to have any faith in. He's likely to pitch in relief for the Yankees and it should be noted he's been no better in his 33 career relief innings than in his 433.7 innings as a starter.

Bradley Blalock

Throws: R	Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$15	25:-\$35			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24 ---	1-3	5.87	0	30.7	4	20/20	1.82
25 AAA	1-5	8.60	0	60.7	11	35/52	1.96
25 COL	2-6	9.36	0	58.7	17	23/27	1.86

Traded away from Colorado, so while there isn't a lot to like about his profile as a starter, there is something to like more than there was before the trade. But he isn't in the Marlins immediate plans for starting. TM: MIA

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Ronel Blanco

Throws: R	Age: 33						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$8			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$7	24:25	25:-\$2			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 HOU	2-1	4.50	0	52	12	28/52	1.48
24 HOU	13-6	2.80	0	167.3	22	68/166	1.09
25 HOU	3-4	4.10	0	48.3	7	20/48	1.19
26 HOU	1-1	3.40	0	17	2	7/17	1.15

After internal brace TJ in June he's expected to miss most of the 2026 season.

Scott Blewett

Throws: R	Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:-\$10			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24 MIN	1-1	1.77	0	20.3	2	8/18	1.24
25 ---	3-0	5.48	0	44.3	9	18/35	1.43

AJ Blubaugh

Throws: R	Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25 AAA	5-8	5.27	2	99	10	58/101	1.57
25 HOU	3-1	1.69	0	32	6	11/35	0.88
26 HOU	3-2	4.06	0	53	8	21/50	1.27

The sparkling ERA in three starts and eight relief appearances, most from late August on, is a mirage. A miniscule BABIP, a robust LOB%, and a lot of homers allowed because he allows a lot of fly balls is a curious mixing of good luck and possibly vulnerable skills. His fastball-slider-changeup stuff is good, kind of classic, and his control is a little dicey. Until he wins a starting job figure him a very fungible relief pitcher if his luck holds.

Jonathan Bowlan

Throws: R	Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3			
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 AA	7-11	5.91	1	102	19	45/105	1.58
24 AAA	12-4	4.67	0	104	14	34/98	1.35
25 AAA	3-0	2.25	5	36	1	11/45	0.94
25 KCR	1-2	3.86	0	44.3	6	17/46	1.22
26 PHI	2-3	4.24	0	56	9	21/53	1.31

The Phillies take for Matt Strahm, he's out of options and will work in middle relief, at least until he shows more.

Matthew Boyd

Throws: L	Age: 35	\$10					
YR/C 21:\$7	22:\$2	23:\$4	24:	25:\$5	2026		
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:	23:-\$7	24:\$1	25:23	Bid Price		
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 DET	5-5	5.45	0	71	11	25/73	1.32
24 CLE	2-2	2.72	0	39.7	4	13/46	1.15
25 CHC	14-8	3.21	0	179.7	19	42/154	1.09
26 CHC	12-9	3.71	0	174	22	49/160	1.18

After years of injuries and recovery he finally stayed healthy and had a career year. Can he do it again? He allowed fewer than expected homers given the number of fly balls he allowed and his xERA of 3.73 isn't quite as sparkling as his actual ERA, so expect some regression, but assuming he stays healthy a similar year though not quite as good would not be a surprise.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Results not fully supported by his skills. More importantly, from 2021-2024, he averaged about 55 ML

innings a season.

ALEX PATTON PAN: 10-3 with a 2.34 ERA and 1.03 WHIP at the All-Star break. Two wins, 3.90 ERA and 1.28 WHIP on the road.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: Boyd is being faded under the presumption that he won't stay healthy and maybe he can't but at his low, low price I'm in. The performance looks mostly sustainable and the defense behind every Cubs pitcher gives them a boost.

Joe Boyle

Throws: R	Age: 26	\$3					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$19	25:-\$7	Bid Price		
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 AA	8-8	3.84	0	117.3	7	93/168	1.50
24 OAK	3-6	6.42	0	47.7	4	40/56	1.74
25 AAA	8-4	1.88	0	86	7	41/114	1.01
25 TBR	1-4	4.67	0	52	6	28/58	1.37
26 TBR	5-7	4.44	0	105	12	58/114	1.41

He's got tremendous stuff but hasn't yet learned to control it. He made strides last year with the pitching-effective Rays, but when he allowed 19 earned runs over five starts and 17.3 innings in August he was demoted to Triple-A. Called back up he made three starts. In 15.3 innings he struck out 19 but walked seven and allowed five earned runs. He has more work to do but is approaching the age when breakouts happen, making him a plausible steal this year. But he also has a high bust potential, so keep that in mind.

Cody Bradford

Throws: L	Age: 28	\$1					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:\$7	25:	Bid Price		
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 TEX	4-3	5.30	0	56	11	12/51	1.21
24 TEX	6-3	3.54	0	76.3	10	13/70	1.01
26 TEX	6-5	4.14	0	105	16	24/91	1.17

June 2025 internal brace TJ has Bradford on track to return in the first half of the season, but when and how effective he'll be is up in the air. He's a control maestro and probably best treated as a wait and see waiver pick up once he's back.

Kyle Bradish

Throws: R	Age: 30	\$14					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$7	25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:-\$5	23:\$30	24:\$2	25:2	Bid Price		
YR TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23 BAL	12-7	3.00	0	168.7	14	44/168	1.04
24 BAL	2-0	2.75	0	39.3	2	15/53	1.07
25 BAL	1-1	2.53	0	32	3	10/47	1.03
26 BAL	10-8	3.42	0	158	17	52/178	1.17

He had the internal brace version of TJ in June 2024 and was back on the mound for Baltimore last August. He pitched effectively over the last month, even going 7 innings in a game versus the Pirates in early September. He was missing bats last year like never before while throwing few walks, a potent combo if he can keep it up this year.

Taj Bradley

Throws: R Age: 25

\$2

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:\$5	25:\$9	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$11	24:\$1	25:-\$11	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	5-8	5.59	0	104.7	23	39/129	1.39
24	TBR	8-11	4.11	0	138	22	47/154	1.22
25	---	6-8	5.05	0	142.7	19	56/127	1.32
26	MIN	6-7	4.42	0	124	18	45/123	1.28

He's undercut his good stuff with too many walks and home runs, but he's adjusted and tweaked his mix in an attempt to feature the good parts. He throws hard but is simply too hittable. He's young and still in his development phase, much of which he's spent in the majors, though he did stints in the minors last year with the Rays and, after he was traded, with the Twins. He has another option left and while he's handled Triple-A hitters just fine there is the chance he'll end up back there doing more tweaking. A breakthrough is far from a sure thing, but not impossible.

Matt Brash

Throws: R Age: 28

\$2

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$3	24:\$4	25:\$2	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$5	24:	25:\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	9-4	3.06	4	70.7	3	29/107	1.33
25	SEA	1-3	2.47	4	47.3	4	18/58	1.25
26	SEA	3-3	3.04	3	63	6	25/74	1.22

He missed all of 2024 following an internal brace TJ, returning in May to re-establish himself as a first rate setup guy. He ditched his heater and threw more sinkers and sliders. He also added a change up. How he mixes in with the newly acquired Jose A. Ferrer remains to be seen, but both appear to be in a good position for holds. Brash's strikeout punch gives him the fantasy edge, despite a greater proclivity for walking hitters.

Ryan Brasier

Throws: R Age: 39

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$12	23:\$7	24:-\$1	25:-\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	3-0	3.00	2	59.7	3	19/56	1.02
24	LAD	1-0	3.54	0	28	3	5/25	0.96
25	CHC	0-1	4.50	0	26	2	5/20	1.23

Mitch Bratt

Throws: L Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	7-4	3.38	0	122.3	18	21/148	1.17
26	ARI	1-1	4.34	0	28	4	8/24	1.28

Has yet to pitch in Triple-A and was vulnerable to the long ball for the Rangers before and after being dealt for Merrill Kelly at the deadline in otherwise impressive Double-A stints. He'll likely start the year in Triple-A and could get the call if he effective and the need arises. TM:ARI

Lucas Braun

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-6	3.67	0	149.7	19	39/145	1.06

Great control but his lack of a pitch that generates whiffs is going to be a problem unless he finds one. Maybe it's his sweeper, which comes in at an extreme angle to righties, or maybe it's his changeup, which would make his other stuff feel a bit quicker. Or maybe he's ultimately headed for relief. TM:ATL

Huascar Brazoban

Throws: R Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:-\$4	24:-\$3	25:\$0

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	5-2	4.14	0	58.7	5	31/65	1.43
24	---	1-3	3.83	0	51.7	2	25/51	1.23
25	NYM	5-2	3.57	2	63	6	27/57	1.24
26	NYM	2-2	3.82	0	56	5	25/53	1.28

He missed nearly six weeks last summer with a calf strain, returned and two weeks later his season ended with shoulder discomfort. He was very good when he could take the mound, but given his age more aches and pains going forward wouldn't be a surprise. Still, nobody walks fewer hitters, and of the top 20 in lowest walk rate since 2021 (minimum 200 IP) only Jacob deGrom struck out a higher percentage of hitters.

Tyler Bremner

Throws: R Age: 22

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
The No. 2 overall in the 2025 draft out of UC Santa Barbara, has a great heater and an elite changeup and had one of the highest strikeout rates and lowest walk rates in college ball last year. He had a sore arm after the season but is supposedly going to be fine for spring training. With the Angels aggressive promotion schedule he could make the big club at any time, with a shot at instant success. TM:LAA								

Colten Brewer

Throws: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$10	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHC	0-0	5.66	1	20.7	1	9/22	1.63
25	AAA	1-1	3.94	5	29.7	3	15/32	1.16

He had March 2025 TJ and will not be ready until well into the season.

Beau Brieske

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3
YR/E 21:	22:-\$5	23:-\$3	24:-\$1	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	2-3	3.60	2	35	4	12/31	1.37
24	DET	4-5	3.59	1	67.7	5	30/69	1.26
25	AAA	0-1	9.00	0	11	4	9/10	2.00

Jhony Brito

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:\$1	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:-\$7	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYY	9-7	4.28	1	90.3	14	28/72	1.22
24	SDP	1-2	4.12	0	43.7	4	10/29	1.37
26	SDP	1-1	4.11	0	24	3	7/18	1.32

Missed all of 2025 after internal brace TJ last April. He worked in relief for the Padres in 2024. Not much expected of him this year, but he's in a position to surprise.

Connor Brogdon

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$9

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	LAA	3-2	5.55	0	47	11	18/49	1.34
26	CLE	2-2	5.08	0	52	10	22/50	1.37

Worked in relief for the Angels last year and allowed a lot of fly balls, some of which went over the outfield fence. This has been a characteristic of his major league career and probably disqualifies him for any high-leverage roles.

Ben Brown

Throws: R Age: 27

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:-\$19	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHC	1-3	3.58	0	55.3	5	19/64	1.09
25	CHC	5-8	5.92	1	106.3	18	32/121	1.44
26	CHC	2-3	4.49	0	49	6	16/55	1.26

After a relief appearance in the early Tokyo game he entered the rotation to start the regular season and lasted until late in June, striking out more than a hitter per inning and walking fewer than 3 per 9. He also allowed too many homers and a lot of hits and had an ERA of more than 6.00, though his FIP/xFIP/xERA were better because of a high BABIP and low LOB%. Plus those homers. He was sent to Triple-A at the end of June to make way for the return of Shota Imanaga and wasn't recalled until a month later. He made one start and pitched in bulk relief for a few games and then shorter relief, allowing runs in every appearance except a one inning appearance on September 9th. He allowed five homers during this 27 inning stretch, striking out 10 per 9 while walking only 1.67. A rough 5.33 ERA is tempered by a 3.88 FIP. He was sent down on September 15 and that was that. He throws strikeouts and doesn't walk many, but he was hit hard so that elevated BABIP was likely at least partly his fault. He throws two pitches 95 percent of the time, which is a relief profile. Still, all hope is not lost. He's young enough to find a solution, even if that means moving to relief, and will likely find better luck next time.

DAVE ADLER PICK: 2025 ERA might cause you to ignore him, but look deeper. High BABIP and low Strand Rate killed his first half; they normalized in second half. Expected ERA was a full two runs better, thanks to improved walk rate and lots of strikeouts. If he secures a rotation slot, a cheap end-game pickup could pay big dividends.

Hunter Brown

Throws: R Age: 28

\$30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$11	25:\$19	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$8	24:\$7	25:\$37	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	11-13	5.09	0	155.7	26	55/178	1.36
24	HOU	11-9	3.49	0	170	18	60/179	1.27
25	HOU	12-9	2.43	0	185.3	17	57/206	1.03
26	HOU	13-9	3.32	0	184	19	61/200	1.18

He's made one more start than the year before the last two years and increased his IP by 15 each year. His fastball velocity has gone up and his ERA has gone down. He was a tad lucky last year, his BABIP a little low and his LOB% a little high, but in the face of his growing maturity and increasing dominance that's a nuance, not a concern. He's now officially an ace.

Player Name

McCade Brown

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$15

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	4-2	2.47	0	76.7	6	30/105	1.08
25	COL	0-5	7.36	0	25.7	6	17/23	1.87

Justin Bruhl

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$7	24:	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	1-0	5.00	0	28	2	11/22	1.39
24	AAA	4-0	3.02	0	41.7	2	20/47	1.34
25	AAA	3-4	3.43	3	42	3	16/49	1.14

Kris Bubic

Throws: L Age: 29

\$11

YR/C 21:-\$1	22:-\$1	23:	24:	25:-\$4	2026
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$3	23:	24:-\$1	25:-\$14	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	KCR	1-1	2.67	1	30.3	2	5/39	1.03
25	KCR	8-7	2.55	0	116.3	6	39/116	1.18
26	KCR	8-9	3.50	0	155	14	49/152	1.23

He returned in the second half of 2024 from TJ working in relief and did a great job. There was no guarantee, however, that his increase in velocity would persist when he moved back into the rotation, but much of it did. He pitched brilliantly the first three months though with some bad luck in June, then started to break down in July. He hit the IL at the end of the month with a rotator cuff strain. The injury did not require surgery and he had resumed his throwing program by November and is expected to be fine for the start of camp. Given his injury history it's hard to project him for a full season this time. The Royals pushed him pretty aggressively to start the year, at least in part because he was going good. Nine of 12 starts to begin the season were quality starts, meaning they went 6 innings or more. Maybe they'll baby him a little more this time, or maybe he'll break down, or maybe he'll pick up from when he was going good before the injury, the odds on these outcomes are pretty evenly distributed.

Walker Buehler

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:-\$28	22:-\$30	23:	24:-\$10	25:-\$7
YR/E 21:-\$46	22:-\$4	23:	24:-\$18	25:-\$18

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAD	1-6	5.38	0	75.3	16	28/64	1.56
25	---	10-7	4.93	0	126	22	61/92	1.52
26	---	7-9	5.02	0	130	22	55/102	1.48

Pitched regularly for the first time since 2021 but was a shadow of his former self. He's probably worth a flyer if he ends up in some team's rotation again, but he's having to reinvent himself at this point. Not an easy task.

Aaron Bummer

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:-\$2	22:-\$2	23:-\$1	24:-\$1	25:
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$1	23:-\$14	24:-\$5	25:-\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHW	5-5	6.79	0	58.3	4	36/78	1.53
24	ATL	4-3	3.58	0	55.3	2	18/69	1.43
25	ATL	3-2	3.81	0	54.3	3	17/51	1.26

Juan Burgos

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-1	1.78	3	35.3	1	12/34	0.94

Brock Burke

Throws: L Age: 30

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:-\$1	24:	25:-\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$12	23:-\$2	24:-\$12	25:-\$1	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	5-3	4.37	0	59.7	13	9/52	1.22
24	---	2-1	5.82	0	34	4	16/41	1.56
25	LAA	7-1	3.36	0	61.7	8	18/52	1.24
26	CIN	3-2	4.15	1	62	8	21/58	1.30

He's a semi-effective but not generally dominating setup guy. Maybe he won't be the setup guy in Cincy this year, but he's been competent. One proviso: He's got a homer tendency, something that often doesn't work at Great American Ballpark.

Sean Burke

Throws: R Age: 27

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$11	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	2-7	4.77	0	71.7	13	41/103	1.34
25	CHW	4-11	4.29	0	134.3	23	63/133	1.45
26	CHW	8-10	4.58	0	151	24	69/145	1.41

It's not fun pitching for the offensively weak defensively challenged White Sox and Burke brings his own baggage, struggling to limit the walks he allows. Especially since he's a bit of a fly ball pitcher and has allowed too many homers every stop on his way up through the minors. He was sent down to the minors in August to work through his problems, but when he returned in September nothing had changed. The Sox will try to help him change that because he has swing and miss stuff. Unfortunately too often that means pitches missing the strike zone.

Blake Burkhalter

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-7	3.32	1	103	4	45/88	1.32

Made it to Triple-A last year and was used more in relief, but his dominance didn't spike. He'll get another chance to make that heater-cutter combo work, probably more in relief. TM:ATL

Corbin Burnes

Throws: R Age: 32

\$2

YR/C 21:-\$19	22:-\$32	23:-\$33	24:-\$31	25:-\$26	2026
YR/E 21:-\$38	22:-\$34	23:-\$27	24:-\$28	25:-\$5	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	10-8	3.39	0	193.7	22	66/200	1.07
24	BAL	15-9	2.92	0	194.3	22	48/181	1.10
25	ARI	3-2	2.66	0	64.3	7	26/63	1.17
26	ARI	3-2	3.12	0	38	4	11/36	1.15

He was off to a fine start with the D-backs last year but broke down on June 1st and had TJ in July. He says he's on track to be back this coming July. That's an aggressive recovery for a pitcher who had suffered falling strikeout rates in recent years and might not be effective when he makes it back.

Chase Burns

Throws: R Age: 23

\$11

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$6	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-3	1.77	0	66	5	13/89	0.77
25	CIN	0-3	4.57	0	43.3	5	16/67	1.32
26	CIN	6-7	3.64	0	132	17	45/164	1.18

Started his first professional season in High-A, after three starts moved up to Double-A, after eight starts moved up to Triple-A, and after two starts landed in the majors in late June. He made eight starts and then hit the IL with a flexor strain. He made it back a month later and made five relief appearances striking out 10 per 9 and walking three with one homer allowed. He got a fair amount of swing and miss but when he was hit he was hit hard, which is fine. He's learning on the job. He also threw his fastball and slider almost 93 percent of the time, which is not a typical starter profile, but the eight sinkers he threw averaged 100 mph. He was the No. 2 pick overall in 2024 out of Wake Forest and is expected to be the Reds ace sooner than later, they hope.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Is projected for a 31% K%, 23% K-BB%, 3.30 xERA, 1.11 WHIP and he will pitch more innings than projections expect. He should be going way higher in drafts and auctions. Get him.

Mike Burrows

Throws: R Age: 27

\$5

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	1-3	5.26	0	51.3	11	24/59	1.54
25	AAA	2-1	2.51	0	32.3	6	11/41	1.06
25	PIT	2-4	3.94	0	96	13	31/97	1.24
26	HOU	7-8	4.02	0	142	21	52/137	1.27

He made just one major league appearance in 2024 after returning from 2023 TJ and was then ready to go last year. He started the year in Triple-A and dominated, apart from allowing six homers in 32.3 innings. Promoted to the big club in May, he was an effective if limited arm for the Pirates the rest of the way, impressing after the All Star break by walking only 2.3 per 9 and allowing only 0.82 homers per 9. The team babied him some, skipping him and working him in relief from time to time, rarely letting him see a lineup a third time. The Astros traded for him in December, an endorsement of sorts, but it remains to be seen if he can be an effective mid-rotation starter. His excellent changeup and his solid second half are reasons to think he might.

Jose Butto

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:-\$11	25:-\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYM	1-4	3.64	0	42	3	23/38	1.33
24	NYM	7-3	2.55	3	74	6	38/79	1.07
25	---	5-3	3.90	1	67	4	32/58	1.40

Edward Cabrera

\$11

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21: 22: 23:\$8 24:\$7 25:\$2 2026	
YR/E 21:-\$6 22:\$5 23:-\$5 24:-\$12 25:\$7 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	7-7	4.24	0	99.7	11	66/118	1.44
24	MIA	4-8	4.95	0	96.3	15	50/107	1.37
25	MIA	8-7	3.53	0	137.7	17	48/150	1.23
26	CHC	9-9	3.97	0	140	18	59/152	1.28

Showed some of the promise last year we saw in him after his 2022 breakout, fired by an obviously lucky ERA. Last season's gains, late getting started after he began the year on the IL with blister problems that recurred at midseason (but didn't require a trip to the IL) and ended early with a sprained elbow, appear genuine, which makes the possibility of a full and healthy season exciting. But last year's inning total for Cabrera is the highest of his professional career, so file him under injury prone. He throws hard but it's his offspeed pitches that miss bats. His 10.4 strikeouts per 9 rate in the second half has some breakout fantasy potential this year, especially since he walked fewer, too.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Going to the Cubs may make him more interesting to many and that may raise his price. History of multiple health issues should make you think twice about paying any more than the value he returned last year.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Better team, better park—gotta be better than pitching in MIA, right?

Genesis Cabrera

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:\$1 22:\$2 23: 24: 25:	
YR/E 21:-\$2 22:-\$6 23:-\$3 24:-\$6 25:-\$14	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-1	4.00	0	55.7	8	24/58	1.31
24	TOR	3-3	3.59	2	62.7	10	29/50	1.48
25	---	0-1	6.54	1	42.7	12	18/35	1.52

Noah Cameron

\$9

Throws: L	Age: 27
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$17 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-1	3.31	0	32.7	4	13/38	1.15
25	KCR	9-7	2.99	0	138.3	18	43/114	1.10
26	KCR	9-9	3.97	0	148	20	49/127	1.27

Lacking a killer heater, he parlayed two very effective breaking pitches with his changeup to keep hitters off-balance. He didn't fool big league hitters the way he did minor leaguers, his strikeout rate dropped significantly, but thanks to an unusually high LOB% he ended up with an ERA far below his xERA of 4.08. If he continues down the same path expect a higher ERA, especially if he continues to struggle keeping the ball in the yard, but it's also possible he'll figure things out and adjust to big league hitters and better establish himself as a solid mid-rotation arm.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: Minor league strikeout rate failed to translate and stuff models suggest his repertoire is below average. A drastic over performance of both his SIERA and Statcast ERA suggests his price will be inflated.

Griffin Canning

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:\$8 22: 23:\$1 24:\$4 25:\$1	
YR/E 21:-\$5 22: 23:\$3 24:-\$22 25:-\$3	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	7-8	4.32	0	127	22	36/139	1.24
24	LAA	6-13	5.19	0	171.7	31	66/130	1.40
25	NYM	7-3	3.77	0	76.3	8	35/70	1.38
26	---	7-8	4.56	0	132	20	52/113	1.37

Last season ended with a busted Achilles tendon and he'll need to prove his health this spring while competing for a starting job. He has yet to prove himself fantasy friendly.

Jonathan Cannon

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$8 25:-\$21	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHW	5-10	4.49	1	124.3	18	40/91	1.33
25	AAA	1-3	5.40	0	31.7	5	14/21	1.70
25	CHW	4-10	5.82	0	103.7	19	38/86	1.49
26	CHW	4-8	5.01	0	110	18	38/84	1.40

He started 17 games and was quality in three. He allowed a lot of homers. He wasn't ready and he may never be. But not many make 38 major league starts, so there is something there. Not enough to bid on, but enough to hope for.

Yennier Cano

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$4 25:\$1	
YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$14 24:\$1 25:-\$11	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	1-4	2.11	8	72.7	4	13/65	1.00
24	BAL	4-3	3.15	5	60	6	24/65	1.30
25	BAL	3-7	5.12	2	58	7	24/53	1.48
26	BAL	3-4	3.95	2	52	6	20/50	1.34

For all of 2023's dazzle, Cano struggled out of the pen last year. It is a measure of the Orioles bad year that he earned so many holds.

Joey Cantillo

\$3

Throws: L	Age: 27
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$4 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CLE	2-4	4.89	0	38.7	6	15/44	1.31
25	CLE	5-3	3.21	1	95.3	10	42/108	1.26
26	CLE	7-8	3.90	0	149	18	63/156	1.30

He worked out of the pen early in the year, striking out 11.4 per 9 and walking 4.5 and allowing five homers in 28.3 innings before being sent down. He returned as a starter when Luis L. Ortiz was suspended for gambling and made eight starts before he was sent down to Triple-A. Recalled at the start of September, he made five more starts and finished the year with a 9.7 strikeouts, 3.8 walks, and .67 homers per 9 and a 2.96 ERA as a starter. Keeping runners off base via walks is the key to his continued success. He's got good stuff that misses bats, but is more vulnerable to the homers he allows because of men on base. He may not be in the rotation to start the season, which would depress his already low price.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Pitched well as a starter down the stretch. If he's under the radar in your league, he could be a nice bargain.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Definitely on the radar due to strong second half (2.96 ERA in 13 starts). That won't repeat, due to high strand rate, but strikeout rate shows the skills are

strong. Without improvement to walk rate, think upper-3 ERA, but with better control, could be dominant.

Ben Casparius

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$4 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-4	3.35	0	88.7	6	46/106	1.25
25	LAD	7-5	4.64	2	77.7	8	21/71	1.28
26	LAD	3-2	4.27	0	52	6	18/50	1.30

His move to the cutter away from his fastball brought his strikeout rate down, but also his walk rate, making him a much more effective pitcher. His ERA was inflated by a low-ish LOB%, and his xERA was 3.65, which might cut it if he moved from long relief into the rotation. The Dodgers have a lot of starters but many of them get hurt a lot.

Luis Castillo

\$13

Throws: R	Age: 34
YR/C 21:\$25 22:\$15 23:\$24 24:\$27 25:\$17 2026	
YR/E 21:\$6 22:\$16 23:\$28 24:\$11 25:\$13 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	14-9	3.34	0	197	28	56/219	1.10
24	SEA	11-12	3.64	0	175.3	25	47/175	1.17
25	SEA	11-8	3.54	0	180.7	23	46/162	1.19
26	SEA	11-11	3.79	0	181	25	50/169	1.19

Another typical healthy year for Castillo, who has lost a couple of ticks off his heater but has stepped up his control, providing solid if modest fantasy value year after year. He's definitely helped by pitching in Seattle, consistently put up better numbers there, and struggled against lefties, so he might be sittable against strong left-handed lineups on the road if you want to get cute.

Cade Cavalli

\$3

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21: 22: 23:\$1 24: 25: 2026	
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$8 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-7	5.35	0	74	8	30/79	1.45
25	WSN	3-1	4.25	0	48.7	7	15/40	1.49
26	WSN	9-10	4.14	0	152	18	52/128	1.34

A No. 22 overall pick in 2020 out of Oklahoma, following an extended recovery with set backs after his 2023 TJ, Cavalli was able to pitch a fair number of innings across four levels last year while remaining healthy. He was too hittable last year but blame his sporadic workload getting to this point for some rustiness. He's an extreme ground ball pitcher who last year mixed a 97 mph four seamer with a 96.9 mph sinker, and a 86.1 mph knuckle curve. He also threw an 89.8 mph change up last year, which generated a lot of swings and misses. Clearly he's going to have to take another few steps to become the top pitcher he once seemed destined to be, but the potential is still there if he can remain healthy.

Dylan Cease

\$14

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$4 22:\$20 23:\$25 24:\$17 25:\$24 2026	
YR/E 21:\$7 22:\$31 23:-\$8 24:\$23 25:-\$7 Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHW	7-9	4.58	0	177	19	79/214	1.42
24	SDP	14-11	3.47	0	189.3	18	65/224	1.07
25	SDP	8-12	4.55	0	168	21	71/215	1.33
26	TOR	12-11	3.87	0	187	22	71/225	1.21

Player Name

The scary number is last year's ERA, which is similar to the inflated ERA in 2023. Three years ago his xERA was 4.11, not a great number, and he allowed 1.42 walks and hits per inning, a worse number. Last year he allowed a lot of baserunners, 1.33, but his xERA was a much more congenial 3.46, which is probably why the Blue Jays spent so much money to get him to sign with them. His strikeout skills are first rate but he walks too many, so when he allows more hits--as he did in 2023 and 2025, when he was faced with high BABIPs allowed--he gets hurt. And his innings drop. As does your fantasy team. Of course, that profile is not locked in. He could make a small adjustment, reduce the walks allowed, and become more of an ace than an erratic strikeout thrower. But for now, temper expectations. He should be better than he was last year, but not reliable in any year.

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Your auction bucks or snake picks will get you lots of starts and Ks, but also lots of walks and hard contact, both above league average every year. And wins will be limited by lack of depth; in 2025's 32 starts, Cease averaged 5.1 IP. In 10 of those, he didn't get to five IP (5 L, 5 ND), and in nine more, he got exactly five (3-3-3). Ks take a lot of pitches, and so do walks, and Cease throws a lot of balls; 37% of his pitches in 2025 missed the dish and were taken, while SPs with 6+ IP/GS averaged 34%. One curious note: Cease's ERAs (and BABIPs) have low in even years, high in odd years, and this is an even year.

ROTOROB PICK: Peripherals have generally suggested a pitcher better than his bottom line results, more so than ever last year. He led all starters in K/9, and won't be hurt by Rogers Centre as much as you think, especially if he gets his walk rate back to its 2024 level.

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: Despite a typically strong strikeout rate and career high SwStk%, his ERA dramatically underperformed both his SIERA and Statcast xERA. The move to Toronto's more hitter friendly home park is a clear negative, but he's still an easy rebound call.

Slade Cecconi

Throws: R Age: 27

\$4

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	0-1	4.00	0	27	4	4/20	1.15
24	ARI	2-7	6.66	0	77	16	17/64	1.42
25	CLE	7-7	4.30	0	132	24	32/109	1.19
26	CLE	8-10	4.75	0	157	27	39/130	1.28

The Guardians called him up in mid May and if he didn't set the world on fire he was fantasy significant. In his first 11 starts he won five games with a 3.84 ERA, striking out 8.2 and walking 2.6 per 9, the real problem 11 homers in 63.3 innings. The rest of the way he struck out and walked fewer and continued to allow the homers, 13 in his last 68.7 innings, with a 4.72 ERA. He was a No. 33 overall pick in 2020 and his time coming up in the minors showed this same profile: not a lot of strikeouts or walks and too many homers. He was the return in the Guardian trade of Josh Naylor to the

D-Backs and there has to be some hope that the team's pitching generators kick in and make him an effective major league starter. That's a reason to bid low on him this year, but be ready to bail if the homers continue to fall.

Moises Chace

Throws: R Age: 3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	0-0	3.24	0	16.7	3	12/19	1.67

May 2025 TJ has him unlikely for 2026. He has a fantastic fastball but has just a little more than 30 innings in at Double-A.

Andrew Chafin

Throws: L Age: 36

YR/C	21:\$1	22:\$1	23:\$2	24:	25:
YR/E	21:\$14	22:\$4	23:\$4	24:\$5	25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	3-4	5.00	8	51.3	6	28/63	1.42
24	---	4-3	3.51	1	56.3	5	31/70	1.48
25	---	1-1	2.41	0	33.7	2	19/36	1.45

Bubba Chandler

Throws: R Age: 24

\$11

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-7	3.70	1	80.3	7	26/94	1.01
25	AAA	5-6	4.05	0	100	8	53/121	1.48
25	PIT	4-1	4.02	1	31.3	2	4/31	0.93
26	PIT	10-8	4.08	0	162	19	56/153	1.27

A top prospect with potential control issues, he impressed in 31.3 major league innings over seven games and four starts last year. But he didn't impress in Triple-A, walking nearly five per 9 in 24 starts. He's strong and athletic and could take the majors by storm if the slider works as it did in Pittsburgh last summer but there is a fair chance he'll face some growing pains as he works to establish himself.

Aroldis Chapman

Throws: L Age: 38

\$20

YR/C	21:\$21	22:\$21	23:\$4	24:\$4	25:\$8	2026
YR/E	21:\$10	22:\$1	23:\$5	24:\$0	25:\$28	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	6-5	3.00	6	58.3	4	36/103	1.25
24	PIT	5-5	3.79	14	61.7	5	39/98	1.36
25	BOS	5-3	1.17	32	61.3	3	15/85	0.70
26	BOS	4-3	2.86	24	62	5	28/86	1.12

He doesn't throw as hard as he used to, but he throws hard enough to have a great season, as he did last year. The key is attributed to Connor Wong, who asked him to throw his fastball to spots rather than simply aim for the plate in general. That's crazy. In any case, Wong set his target up in the zone more and Chapman hit it, throwing his first pitch for strikes 71 percent of the time. His high in any season before that in a full season was 62 percent in 2017, and more typically he was throwing first pitch strikes 55-58 percent of the time. Chapman was equally effective last year with Carlos Narvaez or Connor Wong behind the plate, and actually walked many fewer with Narvaez behind the plate. At some point his arm has to give out, but with this new superpower Chapman has another weapon to get him over the plate.

ALEX PATTON PICK: His Baseball Savant page is mind-blowing. No pitcher ten years younger can match it.

Angel Chivilli

Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:\$23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	COL	2-3	4.55	1	31.7	7	10/28	1.31
25	COL	1-5	7.06	0	58.7	13	23/43	1.70

His last name looks like a Roman numeral, while his ERA looks like the height of an NBA center. Now with the Yankees.

Marc Church

Throws: R Age: 25

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	1-1	4.21	1	25.7	3	10/29	1.32
26	TEX	1-1	4.33	7	40	5	19/37	1.40

A lost season after an oblique strain and elbow inflammation kept him off the mound for most of it. He has a closer's mix of high heat and hard slider and if healthy could slide into the set-up/closer mix.

Jurrangelo Cijntje

Throws: B Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	5-7	3.99	0	108.3	15	51/120	1.22

A 2024 first rounder, No. 15 overall, he struggled with his control in High-A last year with seven Double-A starts added on. He's a switch-pitcher with all the complication that brings. He's a natural lefty but taught himself to throw right-handed and that is considered his better arm. He was also drafted by the Brewers as a shortstop out of high school, so his athletic bona fides are many. He's got a terrific fastball and good slider and change but he can be wild—as he was last year. Keep an eye out for how he deploys his two arms and how the Mariners decide to play him, but mostly look for him to walk fewer hitters before he gets promoted to the bigs. TM:SEA

Aaron Civale

Throws: R Age: 31

\$1

YR/C	21:\$11	22:\$10	23:\$5	24:\$11	25:\$3	2026
YR/E	21:\$9	22:\$7	23:\$11	24:\$6	25:\$6	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	7-5	3.00	0	122.3	12	33/116	1.16
24	---	8-9	4.36	0	161	29	52/149	1.30
25	---	4-9	4.85	1	102	16	33/88	1.26
26	---	7-9	4.47	0	140	22	45/124	1.29

Missed much of last season with a flexor strain, returned late in the year after being traded to San Diego and struggled with his control. Then went down with a biceps injury. When healthy he can be effective, but he's been fragile enough in recent years to earn a big discount over his potential. Even after a tough first start, allowing five runs in 2.7 innings, he had a 3.09 ERA and struck out 48 in 35 innings while walking 12.

Emmanuel Clase

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C	21:\$2	22:\$22	23:\$26	24:\$24	25:\$26
YR/E	21:\$23	22:\$33	23:\$18	24:\$42	25:\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	3-9	3.22	44	72.7	4	16/64	1.16
24	CLE	4-2	0.61	47	74.3	2	10/66	0.66
25	CLE	5-3	3.23	24	47.3	2	12/47	1.23

It doesn't look good for him. He's either a

cheating gambler or runs cockfights. Or both. His trial starts this spring.

Garrett Cleavinger **\$6**

Throws: L		Age: 32						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:\$11	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TBR	7-5	3.75	6	60	6	31/71	1.38
25	TBR	2-6	2.35	2	61.3	9	18/82	0.95
26	TBR	4-4	3.28	5	66	8	26/80	1.18

Back in 2022, when the Dodgers dealt him to the Rays, he leaned into his four seamer more and got transformative results. The next two years he switched things around and his ability to avoid walks diminished and he was hit harder, too. Last year he nearly abandoned the four seamer and leaned into his sinker and slider to great affect. He's part of the Rays closer committee this year, one that has three excellent or potentially excellent pitchers vying for chances. All three are no brainers in holds leagues, but if you play for saves you don't want to get too far ahead in picking one over the others. The Rays sometimes choose, but they often let the committee share.

Alex Cobb

Throws: R		Age: 39						
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$6	23:\$9	24:\$2	25:				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$2	23:\$3	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	7-7	3.87	0	151.3	19	37/131	1.32
24	AA	1-1	3.52	0	23	1	9/29	1.26
26	---	4-4	3.92	0	64	7	19/51	1.28

After missing all of 2025 he had hip surgery last September. We've always included Alex Cobb, but this could be the end.

Gerrit Cole **\$9**

Throws: R		Age: 36						
YR/C 21:\$41	22:\$38	23:\$33	24:\$23	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:\$28	22:\$24	23:\$46	24:\$7	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYN	15-4	2.63	0	209	20	48/222	0.98
24	NYN	8-5	3.41	0	95	11	29/99	1.13
26	NYN	9-7	3.66	0	134	18	39/139	1.16

Having had the internal brace version of the TJ last March, the Yankees expect Cole back around Memorial Day. We have nothing conclusive about the effectiveness of the internal brace, though the return to sport rates for the two operations are similar, with the recovery time of the internal brace about half the time of traditional TJ. Not all elbow ligament injuries are suitable for the internal brace, but Cole's apparently was even though his recovery estimate is on the long side. Given the chance that he'll struggle to regain his effectiveness after he returns, or suffers another injury, any discount offered is welcome, even though he could do quite a lot in four months if things go right.

Carson Coleman

Throws: R		Age: 28						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	0-0	1.59	2	17	0	2/15	0.59

Missed 2024 after TJ and most of last year following shoulder surgery. Effective in Single-A and Double-A late last season which makes him a bit of a bullpen candidate. TM: NYN

Patrick Corbin

Throws: L		Age: 37						
YR/C 21:\$14	22:\$3	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$6	22:-\$2	23:-\$18	24:-\$34	25:-\$9				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	10-15	5.20	0	180	33	57/124	1.48
24	WSN	6-13	5.62	0	174.7	25	54/139	1.50
25	TEX	7-11	4.40	0	155.3	21	51/131	1.37
26	---	7-10	4.96	0	142	21	46/114	1.42

He had fallen so far that last year felt like a comeback.

Jose Corniell

Throws: R		Age: 23						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-2	1.89	0	38	1	9/41	0.84
26	TEX	1-1	4.36	0	36	5	13/32	1.27

He missed most of last year recovering from elbow surgery, but when he made it back to the mound he resumed throwing strikes with excellent command in Double-A. He was a bit wilder in a brief visit to Triple-A, which is why he'll likely return there to start this year. His best pitch is his slider, while his fastball tops in the mid-90s but he has terrific command of it. He doesn't throw hard enough to dominate at the major league level, but should get solid back-of-the-rotation results when he arrives because of his command and feel for pitching.

Nestor Cortes

Throws: L		Age: 32						
YR/C 21:	22:\$4	23:\$18	24:\$9	25:\$9				
YR/E 21:\$9	22:\$33	23:-\$4	24:\$10	25:-\$13				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYN	5-2	4.97	0	63.3	11	20/67	1.25
24	NYN	9-10	3.77	0	174.3	24	39/162	1.15
25	---	2-4	6.29	0	34.3	13	20/29	1.64

Was hurt early last season with an elbow strain and missed three months, was traded to the Padres and made six starts before he tore a tendon in his left arm. He's expected back about midseason and could make a savvy waiver wire pickup when he heals.

Chris Cortez

Throws: R		Age: 24						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A+	3-8	4.28	0	113.7	5	84/114	1.57

A lotta walks in High-A, just sayin'. TM: LAA

Danny Coulombe

Throws: L		Age: 37						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:\$3				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	5-3	2.81	2	51.3	4	12/58	1.11
24	BAL	1-0	2.12	1	29.7	3	5/32	0.68
25	---	2-1	2.30	2	43	3	18/43	1.16

Jake Cousins

Throws: R		Age: 32						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NYN	2-1	2.37	1	38	5	20/53	1.05
25	A+	0-0	7.71	0	2.3	0	0/4	1.90

June 2025 TJ should have him out until late 2026 or spring training 2027.

Kutter Crawford

\$3

Throws: R		Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$8	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$8	23:\$10	24:\$6	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	6-8	4.04	0	129.3	17	36/135	1.11
24	BOS	9-16	4.36	0	183.7	34	51/175	1.12
26	BOS	4-5	4.32	0	86	15	25/82	1.18

He went down with a bum knee in spring training and his season ended before it started after wrist surgery in early July. He's not overpowering but has had good luck his last two seasons suppressing hits, which may or may not be a sustainable skill. The Red Sox rotation is crowded this year, at least to start, so his role will not be assured until the dust settles. He's a competent starter and appropriately throws his misspelled cutter about a third of the time. Even if he starts the season in the pen he's worth a small bet.

Cooper Criswell

Throws: R		Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$10	24:-\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	1-1	5.73	0	33	6	11/27	1.55
24	BOS	6-5	4.08	0	99.3	10	31/73	1.35
25	AAA	4-2	3.70	0	65.7	6	28/68	1.35

Garrett Crochet

\$34

Throws: L		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:	24:\$4	25:\$24	2026			
YR/E 21:\$0	22:	23:	24:\$15	25:\$41	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHW	6-12	3.58	0	146	18	33/209	1.07
25	BOS	18-5	2.59	0	205.3	24	46/255	1.03
26	BOS	14-9	3.04	0	195	21	48/244	1.07

He met expectations as the Red Sox ace last season, building on his excellent but limited breakout in 2024. He got stronger as the season progressed, though he also allowed more homers undermining his edge in the better control and punch out numbers. A 30.8 percent HR/FB rate probably explains away the homer surge, since his other numbers improved. He's a TJ survivor, which isn't a reason to fear a relapse, but is a reason to take that into consideration, especially given his increases in workload the last two years. If he's healthy, however, he's an ace of the first order and will cost like one.

ROTOROB PAN: Has become one of the top arms in the game, but the one red flag here is that in leading the AL in innings pitched last season, he hurled nearly 60 more frames year over year. His ERA rose nearly a run in the second half, so it's fair to wonder how the workload increase will affect him this season.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PICK: It's crazy how similar his story is to that of Chris Sale. Hug every suffering White Sox fan you know.

Hans Crouse

Throws: R		Age: 28						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$2	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAA	4-3	2.84	0	25.3	2	17/34	1.24
25	AAA	0-0	0.00	1	1	0	0/1	0.00

Not much upside, but enough swing and miss to perhaps shift into the bullpen effectively.

Player Name

Coleman Crow

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-1	3.24	0	50	3	12/64	1.04
26	MIL	1-1	3.77	0	27	3	8/27	1.21

Returned from 2023 TJ to pitch in Double-A for the Brewers last season and pretty much dazzled for 10 starts before going down with a flexor strain that ended his season but did not require surgery. He doesn't throw particularly hard and relies on his breaking pitches to get swing and miss. In the minors that can work as it did for him last year, but it's a tough sell at the major league level. He'll likely begin this year in Triple-A and if he can stay healthy will be ready for promotion when he's getting hitters out consistently. He'll then be tested at a higher level.

Fernando Cruz

Throws: R	Age: 36							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$8	25:\$0				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CIN	1-2	4.91	0	66	6	28/98	1.21
24	CIN	3-8	4.86	0	66.7	9	35/109	1.34
25	NYN	3-4	3.56	2	48	5	24/72	1.19

Steven Cruz

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	0-1	3.81	9	49.7	4	30/64	1.25
24	AAA	6-1	3.33	3	51.3	4	24/56	1.31
25	KCR	3-1	3.74	0	45.7	5	18/38	1.19

C.J. Culpepper

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	2-2	2.43	0	59.3	4	31/53	1.34

Control issues at Double-A. TM:MIN

Yoniel Curet

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-3	3.90	0	55.3	2	31/62	1.43
26	PHI	1-1	4.57	0	17	2	9/17	1.44

The Phillies traded for him in December after he started last season on the IL with a shoulder injury. He pitched ineffectively in Triple-A after five solid Double-A starts, when he returned. He's been a top prospect but his struggles with control have to be worked out.

John Curtiss

Throws: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-1	6.34	2	32.7	7	9/28	1.46
25	ARI	3-2	3.93	1	36.7	5	5/24	0.94

Middle relief control artist started the year in Triple-A and finished it in the majors. A collapsing strikeout rate means he has little fantasy value even with a stellar WHIP and one save.

Caden Dana

Throws: R	Age: 23								\$1
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	-\$12 Bid Price				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP	
24	AA	9-7	2.52	0	135.7	10	39/147	0.94	
25	AAA	6-9	5.93	0	82	14	46/85	1.59	
25	LAA	0-4	6.40	0	32.3	9	18/33	1.50	
26	LAA	4-6	5.14	0	90	17	39/79	1.41	

Since he was first promoted to the majors in December 2024, he's pitched 124.7 innings, 82 of them in Triple-A, the rest in the majors. During that time he's allowed 28 home runs, which is about twice as many as you would hope for. He's also walked twice as many as you'd like, 71, while striking out 126. He's young and walked fewer in the second half last year, but allowed seven homers in 26.3 innings, which was not improvement. Still, he's young and maybe throwing more strikes will help him. But for now he's a costly project for fantasy.

Hagen Danner

Throws: R	Age: 28							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	1-2	3.66	1	39.3	8	11/56	1.04
24	AAA	3-0	3.06	7	35.3	4	13/36	1.27
25	AAA	6-4	5.59	0	56.3	9	21/54	1.52

Struggled in Triple-A last year.

Yu Darvish

Throws: R	Age: 40							
YR/C 21:\$27	22:\$20	23:\$21	24:\$14	25:\$8				
YR/E 21:\$11	22:\$33	23:\$1	24:\$7	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	8-10	4.56	0	136.3	18	43/141	1.30
24	SDP	7-3	3.31	0	81.7	12	22/78	1.07
25	SDP	5-5	5.38	0	72	14	19/68	1.18

UCL repair in October 25. He's considering retiring and leaving \$40M on the table.

David Davalillo

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	6-4	2.44	0	107	6	28/126	0.93

Split time between High-A and Double-A and threw strikeouts. He has a deceptive motion that adds to the difficulty hitting his breaking pitches, which he throws with a variety of twists and spins. The Rangers will probably work him through Double-A again and on to Triple-A with success. Not a high ceiling guy but one who could become a rotation mainstay if his arsenal keeps working as he advances. TM:TEX

Enyel De Los Santos

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$2	23:\$4	24:\$12	25:\$4				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	5-2	3.29	0	65.7	4	25/62	1.14
24	---	1-2	5.20	2	64	17	25/66	1.41
25	---	6-3	4.36	0	66	7	24/62	1.29

Yerry De Los Santos

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:	24:	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	2-2	4.12	4	59	9	19/55	1.44
25	NYN	0-1	3.28	0	35.7	1	17/28	1.53

Jacob deGrom

Throws: R	Age: 38								\$25
YR/C 21:\$41	22:\$24	23:\$25	24:\$3	25:\$18	2026				
YR/E 21:\$37	22:\$11	23:\$4	24:	25:\$35	Bid Price				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP	
23	TEX	2-0	2.67	0	30.3	2	4/45	0.76	
25	TEX	12-8	2.97	0	172.7	26	37/185	0.92	
26	TEX	12-9	3.23	0	185	25	43/207	1.03	

Given the limited and decreasing innings he threw each year from 2021 to 2024, it was prudent to temper one's bet last year, which led to outsized profits for those who won deGrom on draft day. But this was not the same deGrom who earned \$37 in 2021 in only 92 innings by striking out more than 14 hitter per 9 innings pitched. Instead he used a heater that was two clicks slower, a slider that was one click slower, and a change down a click and half to dominate hitters with perfect placement and selection. The new deGrom was hit harder and more in the air than the old deGrom, and allowed more homers than in any year except 2017, when he pitched 30 innings more. deGrom brings tremendous skills to the mound, but the physical cost of years of injuries and his moving into his late 30s are a caution. Despite some BABIP luck last year his results are mostly reproducible, but the seeds of decline are in evidence, too, for this oft-injured vet.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: The performance is real. Sure, the injury risk is there, but if you're going to gamble, might as well gamble on one of the best skill packages out there.

MIKE PIANOWSKI PAN: When healthy, he's been my favorite pitcher of the past 15 or so years. But last year was the first time in five deGrom saw enough volume to be worth the ticket. It's so hard to enjoy him because every time something looks awkward on the mound, your heart skips a beat. I'll probably just root for him and not invest my draft capital in him; maybe it's a weak way of hedging, but it helps me sleep at night.

Reid Detmers

Throws: L	Age: 27								\$2
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$10	24:\$8	25:\$2	2026				
YR/E 21:	22:\$1	23:\$4	24:\$27	25:\$2	Bid Price				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP	
23	LAA	4-10	4.48	0	148.7	19	60/168	1.35	
24	LAA	4-9	6.70	0	87.3	18	38/109	1.56	
25	LAA	5-3	3.96	3	63.7	6	25/80	1.31	
26	LAA	8-10	4.46	1	149	21	57/170	1.31	

He landed back in Triple-A in 2024 because he allowed a lot of homers, which had been a problem for him before, and because hitters BABIP against him was .357, which probably wasn't his fault. What looks like a fatal 6.70 ERA in 2024 is matched with a not-awful 4.14 xERA that year. Nonetheless he was kicked to the pen and worked last year as a reliever. He saw his velocity spike nearly two mph though that didn't goose his strikeout rate, but he did throw fewer homers. The Angels say he's headed back to the rotation, though he didn't solve his other problem in relief, which is too many walks. His stuff gets plenty of swing and miss but not enough strikes, which means too many runners on base, tanking his fantasy value. He is still young but he's going to have to make better adjustments if he's going to generate fantasy value this year.

Chris Devenski

Throws: R Age: 36

YR/C 21:\$1	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:-\$13	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	6-4	4.00	0	42.3	6	11/42	1.11
24	TBR	2-1	6.75	0	26.7	9	14/24	1.60
25	AAA	0-3	3.35	4	37.7	7	8/32	1.26

Alexis Diaz

Throws: R Age: 30 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$14	24:\$20	25:\$11	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$14	23:\$17	24:\$3	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CIN	9-6	3.07	37	67.3	4	36/86	1.19
24	CIN	2-5	3.99	28	56.3	6	31/55	1.30
25	AAA	1-3	5.61	3	25.7	4	20/30	1.71
26	TEX	2-3	4.65	8	58	9	30/57	1.35

Signed in December with the Rangers and maybe moves to the head of an iffy bullpen hierarchy, though he's going to have to show some rebound to hold onto the slot. He was so ineffective last year at the major league level that he pitched 27 games in the minor leagues for three franchises, walking more than seven per 9 at all levels until he got to LA, where he walked only 6.11 per 9. Keep an eye on the guys behind him for when he crashes.

Edwin Diaz

Throws: R Age: 32 **\$21**

YR/C 21:\$18	22:\$21	23:\$13	24:\$26	25:\$22	2026			
YR/E 21:\$15	22:\$25	23:	24:\$9	25:\$23	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NYM	6-4	3.52	20	53.7	7	20/84	1.05
25	NYM	6-3	1.63	28	66.3	4	21/98	0.88
26	LAD	5-3	2.83	27	66	7	23/92	1.04

Since his disastrous celebration after winning the World Baseball Championship, which cost him all of 2023, he's been electric, just not as electric. His velocity is down and he's been used judiciously, babied a little though he did have four two inning stints last summer as the Mets tried to grab a playoff spot. He's in the upper tier of closers though recent injuries and his limited exposure on successive days makes him a lesser chalk choice. But isn't that the case with closers usually anyway?

Jhonathan Diaz

Throws: L Age: 30

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	9-3	4.36	0	117.7	9	52/120	1.47
25	AAA	11-6	4.15	0	138.7	18	24/116	1.32

Yilber Diaz

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	ARI	1-1	3.81	0	28.3	3	12/19	1.39
25	AAA	1-3	10.26	0	57	10	73/70	2.28

Hunter Dobbins

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$3				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	BOS	4-1	4.13	0	61	6	17/45	1.28
26	STL	5-4	4.27	0	98	11	32/74	1.32

Traded to the Cardinals after rehabbing a torn ACL, he has a shot at the team's rotation, but despite throwing fairly hard he hasn't gotten a lot of swing and miss, even at lower levels.

If Boston and their vaunted pitching prowess couldn't get him right, can the Cards? He throws a number of pitches with movement and control, so there is potential. But probably not for draft day.

Dylan Dodd

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$17	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	2-2	8.00	0	34.3	9	12/15	1.90
24	AAA	2-7	5.35	1	107.7	18	32/98	1.51
25	AAA	2-1	4.26	0	25.3	4	3/32	1.20
25	ATL	1-0	3.60	0	35	5	5/30	0.94

Chase Dollander

Throws: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$27				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	COL	2-12	6.52	0	98	18	49/82	1.55
26	COL	6-11	5.57	0	130	22	60/114	1.49

He was solid against righties and weak against lefties and while he struggled on the road he really struggled at Coors. He projected as a very good starter when he was a prospect and No. 9 overall pick in 2023, but pitching for Colorado crushes his potential fantasy value.

Seranthony Dominguez

Throws: R Age: 32 **\$10**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$1	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:-\$2	24:-\$2	25:\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	5-5	3.78	2	50	7	22/48	1.40
24	---	3-4	4.45	11	58.7	12	21/68	1.25
25	---	4-4	3.16	2	62.7	5	36/79	1.29
26	CWS	4-4	3.73	17	63	8	28/72	1.26

Struggled with his control last year but held on as a setup guy and collected 20 holds and two saves. The White Sox are going to give him leveraged chances in the back of the bullpen despite his walking nearly 14 percent of hitters. He also led the majors in wild pitches, tied with four starters who each had 140 or more innings pitched. Hitters made less contact against him last year than in any year since his rookie season, which is why he was able to be effective, but that's a hard balancing act to pull off over time.

Camilo Doval

Throws: R Age: 29 **\$2**

YR/C 21:	22:\$9	23:\$18	24:\$21	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$11	23:\$19	24:-\$7	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	6-6	2.93	39	67.7	3	26/87	1.14
24	SFG	5-3	4.88	23	59	5	39/78	1.58
25	---	4-3	3.58	16	65.3	4	35/72	1.32
26	NYU	4-3	3.78	9	64	5	33/73	1.34

Should remain in a setup role, though his continuing problems with walking hitters and a shrinking strikeout rate are worrisome. He threw strikeouts at a much higher rate after the break last year, but he also walked more, a linkage that's hard to break. His irksome WHIP makes him tough to roster except in Holds leagues or if he ends up closing, and even there continuing struggles might lead to a change to a less leveraged role.

Liam Doyle

Throws: L Age: 22

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	0-0	2.45	0	3.7	1	2/6	1.56

He was the No. 5 overall in last summer's amateur draft out of Tennessee and already has a major league fastball and impressive athleticism. He also has 3.7 innings of professional ball pitched so far, split between Single-A and Double-A. Pitchers with such great stuff often advance quickly if they have command and control, but Doyle's was okay in college, not great. He's a longshot for major league promotion this year, but if he's not walking guys in Double-A at the start of the year he has a shot. And while there's no such thing as a pitching prospect, Doyle is pitcher to grab for 2027. TM:STL

Kohl Drake

Throws: L Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-6	4.23	0	89.3	10	36/106	1.26

Jack Dreyer

Throws: L Age: 27 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	LAD	3-2	2.95	4	76.3	4	24/74	1.05
26	LAD	2-1	3.42	1	44	4	15/43	1.16

A very effective setup guy all season long for the Dodgers who even saved four games and earned 10 holds pitching behind their messed up bullpen of stars. He's a fastball-slider guy who doesn't throw that hard, 92.7 mph, but with movement.

Shane Drohan

Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-2	3.00	0	54	5	21/77	1.13
26	BOS	1-1	4.26	0	16	2	7/15	1.35

He's not really a prospect but he impressed in Triple-A last year, taming his wilder ways. Recovered from shoulder and forearm issues, he was physically stronger in spring training but after that good start to the season he went down with forearm inflammation and didn't return until late in the year. Scouts grade his changeup as his best pitch and while there is some chance he'll see some starts when there are rotation openings he's more likely headed to the pen if he makes the big team.

Dane Dunning

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:\$7	22:\$3	23:	24:\$2	25:				
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$1	23:\$10	24:-\$16	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	12-7	3.70	0	172.7	20	55/140	1.26
24	TEX	5-7	5.31	0	95	18	40/91	1.44
25	AAA	4-2	4.67	0	69.3	7	23/65	1.32

Player Name

Jhoan Duran **\$19**

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23:\$15 24:\$20 25:\$19 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$13 23:\$15 24:\$7 25:\$18 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	3-6	2.45	27	62.3	6	25/84	1.14
24	MIN	6-9	3.64	23	54.3	4	15/66	1.16
25	---	7-6	2.06	32	70	3	19/80	1.10
26	PHI	5-5	2.85	28	70	5	21/81	1.13

The fireballer was struggling a bit in Minnesota when he was dealt to the Phillies at the deadline. Then everything clicked and he dominated the last two months of the season, striking out 27 and walking one in 20.7 innings. He will be the first choice to close games for the Phils this year and there is every reason to expect a big season. Especially if he's able to elevate his strikeouts the way he did after last year's trade.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Some metrics can be misleading, like pitcher outcomes presented as percentages of AB or Balls In Play (BIP) or Batted-Ball Events (BBE), or all three. Especially for fantasy purposes, the best approach is to standardize all relevant outcomes as percentages of Total Batters Faced (TBF). Using GB%TBF + K%TBF, for example, identifies pitchers who get a lot of the most fantasy-useful outcomes. By this measure, Duran was the most effective pitcher in MLB in 2025: his combined 69%TBF (41% GB + 28% K%) led all pitchers with 100+ BBE. We can also subtract negative outcomes—hit and walk %TBF—and Duran still tops the table. Skills—including an arsenal of four pitches that are all above-average in Stuff+—support the outcomes. A closer with elite skills on an excellent team.

Connelly Early **\$6**

Throws: L	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	10-3	2.60	0	100.3	5	40/132	1.11
26	BOS	3-3	3.63	0	49	5	17/50	1.23

He only made four starts for a total of 19.3 innings, but he struck out 29 and walked but four while allowing no homers. That led to a FIP/xFIP of 0.91/2.35, and an xERA of 2.36. That feels like real talent. Early throws six pitches and was above average on five of them, with only the slider below water. The only extra base hit he allowed, a double, came off it. Obviously these small samples don't prove anything. He doesn't throw hard and while in the minors he walked a lot more hitters, so this hot streak may be the result of facing hitters working without much of a scouting report and no previous experience with him. Opponents will be better prepared this year, once he is in the rotation, but if he can continue to throw strikes with his breaking stuff he has the potential to eventually be a solid second tier starter. Expecting too much this year, however, is probably being early on Connelly.

Jake Eder **\$28**

Throws: L	Age: 28							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	3-9	6.61	0	109	15	58/122	1.68
25	AAA	2-9	6.40	0	70.3	15	20/62	1.53

Zach Eflin **\$3**

Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:\$9	22:\$3 23:\$6 24:\$21 25:\$12 2026
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:-\$2 23:\$28 24:\$12 25:-\$14 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	16-8	3.50	0	177.7	19	24/186	1.02
24	---	10-9	3.59	0	165.3	22	24/134	1.15
25	BAL	6-5	5.93	0	71.3	18	13/50	1.42
26	BAL	9-9	4.44	0	146	24	27/113	1.25

He masters with exquisite control and he disasters with long fly balls into the bleachers. Last year was a disaster that ended mercifully early with a back strain in late June, followed by two weak starts and a return to the IL at the end of July leading to back surgery. He hopes to be back for spring training but that is not a sure thing, which considering the disaster is nearest in the rear view mirror, a small bet and a wait and see approach is probably best.

Brandon Eisert **\$1**

Throws: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$8 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-2	3.86	3	53.7	7	21/66	1.34
25	CHW	3-8	4.39	2	69.7	12	25/74	1.45
26	CHW	2-3	4.24	0	60	8	22/55	1.35

He earned a couple of saves last summer and had the best control in the White Sox bullpen. He doesn't throw hard and he's lefthanded so he doesn't profile as a closer, especially because he was especially vulnerable to the long ball last year, but if Grant Taylor isn't the go to closer this year Eisert's talent compares favorably with the other competition in the bullpen.

Josh Ekness **\$24**

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-1	4.17	10	54	2	26/68	1.33

TM:MLA

Bryce Elder **\$27**

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23: 24:\$2 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$3 23:\$8 24:-\$19 25:-\$18 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	12-4	4.00	0	174.7	19	63/128	1.28
24	ATL	2-5	6.52	0	49.7	8	17/46	1.65
25	ATL	8-11	5.30	0	156.3	24	51/131	1.40
26	ATL	4-5	5.16	0	74	11	25/62	1.42

Working his way back from August 2024 TJ. There's talent here but limited professional experience and some control issues. Could have value but there are others probably better to bet on.

Mason Englert **\$27**

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$10 24:-\$7 25:-\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	4-3	5.46	0	56	12	17/41	1.50
24	DET	1-0	5.40	0	21.7	4	5/16	1.32
25	TBR	0-1	3.83	0	44.7	4	11/44	1.22
26	TBR	2-2	4.20	0	60	8	18/55	1.26

He had a fine season but would appear to be stuck in middle relief this year. Not biddable, but maybe a waiver pick up if things are going good for him.

Dietrich Enns

Throws: L	Age: 35
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-2	2.89	0	62.3	4	15/71	1.22
25	---	3-3	4.08	2	46.3	6	15/49	1.41
26	BAL	3-2	4.12	1	62	8	21/60	1.32

Returned after three years on the left side of the Pacific Ocean as a starter/long guy, first with the Tigers and then moving on to the Orioles at the trading deadline. With Baltimore he worked primarily in relief and saved two games and held four others. He's got a great cutter and excellent change that generate lots of swinging strikes and while he's unlikely to be in the mix as closer in Baltimore this year he should be used in plenty of leveraged situations.

Nathan Eovaldi **\$15**

Throws: R	Age: 36
YR/C 21:\$10	22:\$16 23:\$8 24:\$11 25:\$12 2026
YR/E 21:\$12	22:-\$2 23:\$15 24:\$13 25:\$38 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	12-5	3.63	0	144	15	47/132	1.14
24	TEX	12-8	3.80	0	170.7	23	42/166	1.11
25	TEX	11-3	1.73	0	130	10	21/129	0.85
26	TEX	12-8	3.40	0	175	20	42/170	1.09

The oft-injured control artist had surgery after the season to repair a sports hernia but it was a strained rotator cuff in August that ended his season early. And it was a strained triceps in June that caused him to miss three weeks. Still, he was spectacular when on the field and unusually fantasy valuable because of a spectacularly low WHIP and ERA combo caused by a low BABIP and a high LOB%. His xERA according to Statcast was a fine but less gaudy 3.07, the best of his career. Eovaldi also had the lowest number of homers allowed since 2015 with a slightly lucky HR/FB rate. Maybe he could do it again, he did it once and did change his pitch mix, but the luck indicators are firmly against him. Cross your fingers but expect a more normal season for him this year.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Look, his skills are great, but not sub-2.00 ERA great. Combo of fortunate BABIP and Strand Rate was a big factor. He's also spent a ton of time on the IL lately. Think low-3 ERA, but without a ton of innings. Let someone else overpay on 2025 numbers.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: I know, he's not going to post another sub-2 ERA, but Eovaldi is a command god who pitches half his games in an extreme pitchers' park. The asking price assumes he is going to regress all the way to his 2023-2024 baseline; an ERA in the low threes with a strikeout per inning is a realistic expectation.

Lucas Erceg **\$4**

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$7 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$9 24:\$7 25:\$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	OAK	4-4	4.75	0	55	1	36/68	1.58
24	---	2-6	3.36	14	61.7	3	16/72	1.06
25	KCR	8-4	2.64	2	61.3	4	18/48	1.18
26	KCR	4-4	3.47	5	62	5	21/60	1.22

Lost a click of velocity across the board but retained his excellent control and threw even more ground balls serving as the setup guy

behind Carlos Estevez. With the velocity loss he threw many fewer strikeouts but a high LOB% saved his ERA, which Statcast's xERA put at 3.49. His eight relief wins were also fantasy valuable and probably not reliably reproducible. He's now joined by Matt Strahm setting up and both have to be considered Closers in Waiting, though Strahm's strikeout profile at this point probably gives him the edge.

Daniel Espino

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	0-1	40.50	0	0.7	0	0/1	15.00

His triumph last year was to get into a game after four years, which he did September 19 in his first Triple-A appearance ever. He got creamed but he was back. Given his first-round (No. 24 overall in 2019) pedigree, he's someone to keep an eye on.

Joey Estes

Throws: L Age: 25

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24-:58	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	9-6	3.74	0	137	24	43/131	1.16
24	OAK	7-9	5.01	0	127.7	23	27/92	1.23
25	AAA	4-4	5.51	0	80	17	20/67	1.30

TM:OAK

Carlos Estevez

Throws: R Age: 34

\$15

YR/C	21:	22:\$3	23:\$7	24:\$10	25:\$13	2026
YR/E	21:\$2	22:\$1	23:\$5	24:\$16	25:\$18	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	5-5	3.90	31	62.3	7	31/78	1.49
24	---	4-5	2.45	26	55	5	12/50	0.91
25	KCR	4-5	2.45	42	66	5	22/54	1.06
26	KCR	4-4	3.49	30	65	7	22/58	1.18

He got the job done last year, the job closing games for the Royals, but he did it with some smoke and mirrors. He hasn't been a big strikeout guy in KC and he walks more than you'd like. He was good last year at getting weak contact and infield flies, but in 2024 he was bad at that but didn't walk many. In 2023 he struck out a lot of hitters, so go figure, which Estevez is going to show up this year. Don't count on the strikeouts and hope he's able to get enough outs other ways to get the job done again. Since 2023 Estevez has the second most saves of any major league pitcher. The Royals pen isn't overpowering, but there are a number of arms ready to take his place if he falters.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Bidders will see that save total. But the skills are sliding, with K% dropping and BB% rising. BABIP and Strand Rate saved his bacon; expected ERA was 2+ runs worse than actual. Pass.

JEFF WINICK PAN: You buy a closer for his role and not his skills, but if you buy Estevez don't watch him pitch unless you need the adrenaline rush when he overcomes his mediocrity...or not.

Jeremiah Estrada

Throws: R Age: 28

\$4

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$7	25:\$4	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SDP	6-3	2.95	1	61	4	23/94	1.07
25	SDP	4-5	3.45	3	73	12	27/108	1.16
26	SDP	4-3	3.34	6	70	9	28/96	1.16

Hard-throwing relief arm generates a lot of fly balls and needs to keep his HR/FB rate low or suffer the consequences. He's slated to work as a setup guy this year which makes him a potential closer in waiting, with the strikeout throwing prowess to do the job. But the homers allowed are a concern.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: Estrada led all relievers with 108 strikeouts in 73 IP while earning 30 holds and 3 saves. For those that have Mason Miller in their 2026 plans, Jeremiah Estrada is a must roster handcuff pick.

Logan Evans

Throws: R Age: 25

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25-:\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-3	5.32	0	44	3	13/45	1.45
25	SEA	6-5	4.32	0	81.3	13	31/59	1.39
26	SEA	3-3	4.32	0	62	9	23/48	1.35

After 11 Triple-A starts he moved up to Seattle, where he made 15 starts and one relief appearance. His best quality is his control, which suffered a bit at the highest level but wasn't bad. He throws a variety of pitches and mixes them up constantly, but he didn't generate a lot of swinging strikes in the majors, which may be a problem for him going forward and definitely dents his fantasy value even if he holds his spot in the rotation. More likely he'll end up in the bullpen.

Alex Faedo

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22-:\$4	23:\$1	24-:\$3	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	2-5	4.45	0	64.7	12	20/58	1.05
24	DET	5-3	3.61	0	57.3	9	28/55	1.35
25	AAA	0-0	4.32	0	8.3	1	6/8	1.48

Surgery on his shoulder last August has him scheduled to be ready for spring training. He'll try to find a job in the bullpen somewhere.

Pete Fairbanks

Throws: R Age: 33

\$10

YR/C	21:\$7	22:\$2	23:\$13	24:\$19	25:\$13	2026
YR/E	21:\$0	22:	23:\$13	24:\$5	25:\$12	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	2-4	2.58	25	45.3	3	20/68	1.02
24	TBR	3-3	3.57	23	45.3	4	17/44	1.18
25	TBR	4-5	2.83	27	60.3	7	18/59	1.05
26	MIA	4-4	3.39	25	62	6	22/62	1.16

As he's settled in as a closer he's thrown the ball a little less hard and with more accuracy, which has made him a better pitcher but hasn't bumped up his fantasy value. He signed with the Marlins just days after Ronny Henriquez went under the knife with internal brace TJ, knocking him out for 2026. Fairbanks should be a solid closer for the Fish, though without a ton of strikeouts.

JEFF WINICK PAN: The epitome of the risky closer. He'll start the year with the role of closer, but odds are he won't end the year with it. There's a reason TB let him walk.

Bailey Falter

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:	25:
YR/E	21-:\$7	22-:\$2	23-:\$11	24-:\$6	25-:\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-9	5.00	0	80.7	17	20/60	1.41
24	PIT	8-9	4.43	0	142.3	17	45/97	1.29
25	---	7-7	4.45	0	125.3	19	46/81	1.29
26	KCR	3-4	4.59	0	74	11	25/52	1.32

Top 10 among the pitchers with the lowest strikeout rates (120 IP or more), his season ended early after a trade to the Royals with a biceps contusion after taking a line drive off his arm. He'll compete for a spot in the team's rotation but is a tough fantasy sell because of the lack of wins, an increasing number of walks, too many homers, and very little evidence these things can be changed. Though of course that's always possible.

Calvin Faucher

Throws: R Age: 31

\$4

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$7	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23-:\$12	24-:\$2	25:\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	1-1	7.01	0	25.7	4	12/25	1.67
24	MIA	2-3	3.19	6	53.7	0	26/63	1.41
25	MIA	4-4	3.28	15	60.3	8	24/59	1.28
26	MIA	3-3	3.78	6	64	6	27/65	1.34

He's in the mix for saves this year, just as he was last year, when nearly every relief pitcher and one Marlin starter earned saves. This year Ronny Henriquez was supposed to step into the closer role, but after IB TJ the team signed Pete Fairbanks, so it's possible Faucher will get shut out. He walks too many given that he doesn't strike a lot of hitters out, and allowed a lot of homers last year for a guy who pitches in one of the worst parks for homers. Still, he could end up closing from time to time, which might make him a little helpful in deep leagues.

Erick Fedde

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$6
YR/E	21-:\$5	22-:\$2	23:	24:\$15	25-:\$26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KBO	2-6	2.00	0	180.3	9	35/209	0.95
24	---	9-9	3.30	0	177.3	20	52/154	1.16
25	---	4-13	5.49	0	141	19	67/83	1.52

He was a little lucky in 2024 and a little unlucky last year, but his control faltered last year and he was rocked. His velocity was fine so this problem may be fixable.

Ryan Feltner

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22-:\$10	23-:\$13	24-:\$11	25-:\$8

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	COL	2-4	5.82	0	43.3	2	28/38	1.69
24	COL	3-10	4.49	0	162.3	20	52/138	1.34
25	COL	0-2	4.75	0	30.3	4	12/25	1.50
26	COL	4-7	4.96	0	117	16	44/96	1.44

Missed much of last year with injury issues and he pitches in Colorado and pitches to contact.

Caleb Ferguson

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C	21:\$1	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:
YR/E	21:	22-:\$1	23-:\$1	24-:\$10	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	7-4	3.43	3	60.3	4	23/70	1.44
24	---	1-4	4.64	1	54.3	6	25/67	1.50
25	---	5-4	3.58	0	65.3	2	22/51	1.17

Player Name

Tyler Ferguson

Throws: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	OAK	4-2	3.68	2	51.3	4	24/62	1.10
25	ATH	4-2	4.66	2	58	4	34/54	1.33

Jose M. Fermin

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	LAA	3-2	4.46	0	34.3	8	23/39	1.41
26	LAA	3-3	4.28	0	52	9	27/57	1.36

He's got great stuff and the Angels let him play with it last year, but he's wild and the team let him play with that, too. He's wild against lefties and righties, on the road and at home, he's probably wild during the day and at night. The point is he's got a chance to push into a high leverage bullpen slot, but he can't be this wild. Something has to give.

Ryan Fernandez

Throws: R	Age: 28							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$16				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	STL	1-6	3.51	2	66.7	4	32/71	1.36
25	AAA	4-1	3.12	2	34.7	1	20/49	1.26
25	STL	0-4	7.71	1	30.3	6	16/34	1.73

Jose A. Ferrer

Throws: L	Age: 26	\$2						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$1	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	3-0	5.03	0	34	4	13/25	1.47
24	WSN	1-0	3.38	1	32	1	6/25	1.03
25	WSN	4-4	4.48	11	76.3	5	16/71	1.27
26	SEA	4-3	3.55	5	70	5	19/65	1.19

After a solid season he finished as the closer in Washington and was then traded to Seattle, where he's third in line. His price last year was wrecked by high and unlucky qualitatives because of a high BABIP and low LOB%, but with fewer saves likely this year and a limited strikeout profile he's profiles as a relief fill-in for fantasy.

Jackson Ferris

Throws: L	Age: 22							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	10-7	3.86	0	126	9	66/135	1.46

Spent all of 2025 in Double-A and continued to struggle with walks. He's got a solid fastball-slider combo that generates lots of ground balls and infield flies, but is going to need to avoid the free passes to get a shot at the Dodgers major league rotation.

David Festa

Throws: R	Age: 25	\$1						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	4-4	4.19	0	92.3	9	42/119	1.39
24	MIN	2-6	4.90	0	64.3	9	23/77	1.33
25	AAA	2-1	2.59	0	31.3	2	7/39	1.00
25	MIN	3-4	5.40	0	53.3	10	19/53	1.28
26	MIN	2-3	4.50	0	50	7	18/53	1.27

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Because he struck out a fair number of hitters in 2024 and walked few enough he entered last season as something of a breakout candidate, but he struck out far fewer last year and ended up doing time back in Triple-A, where he dominated. Common to both seasons was a propensity to give up the long ball. He allowed 10 homers last year in 53.3 innings. His season ended early with a thoracic outlet injury that was treated without surgery and he's expected to be ready for spring training. We'll see about that and about whether he can reassert himself as a breakout candidate.

Matt Festa

Throws: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:\$6	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	1-0	0.53	15	34	2	16/28	0.79
24	---	6-1	5.70	0	23.7	2	8/24	1.25
25	CLE	5-4	4.12	0	54.7	4	15/56	1.09

Kyle Finnegan

Throws: R	Age: 35	\$4						
YR/C 21:	22:\$7	23:\$9	24:\$10	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$9	24:\$6	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	7-5	3.76	28	69.3	11	24/63	1.30
24	WSN	3-8	3.68	38	63.7	9	24/60	1.34
25	---	4-4	3.47	24	57	4	18/55	1.11
26	DET	4-4	3.73	7	64	7	23/61	1.24

When he was traded to the Tigers last year he earned saves in four of his first seven games, but Will Vest was also in the mix until Finnegan went down with an adductor strain and missed three weeks. Both are righties but Finnegan has been better against lefties and Vest better against righties. This could go either way or be split down the middle. Unless the Tigers sign Kenley Jansen (they did!) in which case he gets first shot at the saves in Motor City.

Braydon Fisher

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	TOR	7-0	2.70	0	50	4	19/62	1.02
26	TOR	3-1	3.47	0	52	6	22/59	1.20

Worked as a middle reliever last year and showed lots of strikeout punch and decent control. His slider-curve combo drew plenty of called strikes and a fair number of infield flies. Despite a fly-ball heavy batted ball mix he's generally kept the ball in the park which could land him some higher leverage at some point.

Richard Fitts

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BOS	0-1	1.74	0	20.7	0	7/9	1.29
25	AAA	2-1	3.60	0	30	2	11/27	1.37
25	BOS	2-4	5.00	0	45	11	16/40	1.31
26	STL	4-6	4.28	0	109	15	36/85	1.31

In 45 innings for the Red Sox last year in 11 games and 10 starts he allowed 11 homers, which caused fantasy owners fits and starts. He's not in the Cardinals immediate plans this year and probably shouldn't be in yours.

Jack Flaherty

Throws: R	Age: 31	\$6						
YR/C 21:\$27	22:\$12	23:\$9	24:\$4	25:\$14	2026			
YR/E 21:\$8	22:\$3	23:\$18	24:\$22	25:\$5	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	8-9	5.00	0	144.3	17	66/148	1.58
24	---	13-7	3.17	0	162	24	38/194	1.07
25	DET	8-15	4.64	0	161	23	59/188	1.28
26	DET	11-11	3.99	0	166	23	54/187	1.23

His earnings dropped dramatically last year, and he did pitch worse, but his decline wasn't as dramatic as his loss of earnings. He was a bit lucky in 2024 and a bit unlucky last year, but his biggest problem was that he walked 21 more batters last year than the year before. He also allowed the most hard hit balls and barrels of his career. Looking at his components the last three years his sudden ability in 2024 to avoid walks looks like the outlier, so a return to that form seems less likely than a somewhat less unlucky continuation of last year's results.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Numbers say pass, but he pitched much better than the results would indicate. His numbers should be closer to his 2024 production levels.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Struggled a bit in first half, with a higher walk rate and more HR than usual. Those returned to normal in the second half, but high BABIP hurt. Expect a rebound to a mid-3 ERA.

Mason Fluharty

Throws: L	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	TOR	5-2	4.44	1	52.7	6	24/56	1.15
26	TOR	2-1	4.06	0	42	5	18/43	1.22

In about 99.9 percent of his pitches last year he threw either a cutter or a slider, which major league hitters touched quite a bit more than minor league hitters did. They also took more pitches for walks, which is the problem he's going to have to solve. Lots of pitchers have swing-and-miss breaking pitches and some walk more hitters than Fluharty did last year, but those free passes make every mistake or bit of bad luck more painful, and their pitchers harder to trust in high-leverage situations.

Jason Foley

Throws: R	Age: 31	\$4						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:\$8				
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$9	24:\$9	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	3-3	2.61	7	69	2	15/55	1.16
24	DET	3-6	3.15	28	60	5	20/46	1.18
26	SFG	1-2	3.49	8	34	3	11/28	1.23

Missed all of 2025 after knee surgery and then had follow up surgery last November to "clean up" the same knee. He was supposed to be ready for spring training, but even if that is the plan there is too much uncertainty after two surgeries and so much rehab.

J.P. France

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$15	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	11-6	3.83	0	136.3	19	47/101	1.36
24	HOU	0-3	7.46	0	25.3	5	12/22	1.71
25	AAA	2-2	6.59	0	27.3	3	22/28	1.73

Bowden Francis

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$8				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$16	25:\$17				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	1-0	1.73	1	36.3	5	8/35	0.83
24	TOR	8-5	3.30	0	103.7	17	22/92	0.93
25	TOR	2-8	6.05	0	64	19	27/54	1.53
26	TOR	2-2	4.34	0	39	8	12/35	1.19

He struggled every which way last year, allowing 19 homers in 64 innings before he was shut down with a shoulder impingement. He allowed too many homers in his much nicer 2024 season, too, so that even when he's physically ready to go again he should be rostered carefully for fantasy purposes. With the Blue Jays loading up their rotation in the offseason chances of Francis getting starts to start the year are slim.

Nick Frasso

Throws: R Age: 28

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-1	5.49	1	77	10	42/68	1.58

Missed 2024 after shoulder and hip surgeries, so last year was a regrouping. He had a big drop in strikeout rate upon promotion in 2023 and that continued last year. More strikeouts and fewer walks are his ticket to advancement, though he's now off the 40-man roster.

Kyle Freeland

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:\$16	24:\$17	25:\$18				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	COL	6-14	5.03	0	155.7	29	42/94	1.47
24	COL	5-8	5.24	0	113.3	22	26/85	1.41
25	COL	5-17	4.98	0	162.7	22	38/124	1.42
26	COL	8-15	5.24	0	186	31	47/137	1.44

He has terrific control but pitches in Colorado without much strikeout power.

Max Fried

Throws: L Age: 32 **\$25**

YR/C 21:\$20	22:\$23	23:\$23	24:\$25	25:\$21	2026			
YR/E 21:\$23	22:\$33	23:\$10	24:\$16	25:\$30	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	8-1	3.00	0	77.7	7	18/80	1.13
24	ATL	11-10	3.25	0	174.3	13	57/166	1.17
25	NY Yankees	19-5	2.86	0	195.3	14	51/189	1.10
26	NY Yankees	14-8	3.17	0	189	16	56/181	1.16

Continued excellence by virtue of excellent control and lots of ground balls doesn't get as much respect as you'd think because he's only passed one strikeout per 9 in a full season once, in 2019. That's fantasy respect, by the way, and those missing strikeouts matter for Fried's upside. So does his xERA, which shows his real ERA throughout his career has been a little lucky. This tends to be true for the best pitchers while the opposite is mostly true for those with the highest ERAs, which is why too much shouldn't be read into it. At the same time, it is data that indicates Fried is getting hit a little harder and in fact his HardHit rate last year was the highest of his career even as his velocity peaked. Expect more of the same from Fried and take whatever discount you're given.

Zach Fruit

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	1-5	6.10	0	51.7	6	31/52	1.60

Control issues in Double-A last year. TM: BAL

Didier Fuentes

Throws: R Age: 21

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-7	4.58	0	57	4	16/71	1.14

He's the Braves No. 1 prospect but when the team called him up last June he clearly wasn't ready. Four starts, 13 innings, 20 earned runs later he was back in Triple-A. He missed some bats, 12 strikeouts, but he walked six and allowed six homers. He was much sharper in 22.3 innings in Triple-A and is likely to return there. He was shut down last August with shoulder inflammation but he was soon working on his rehab. The Braves have a reputation for promoting their young pitchers aggressively, so you can't rule out a return this season, but odds are better the youngster will be ready in 2027. TM: ATL

Kody Funderburk

Throws: L Age: 30 **\$2**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$15	25:\$5	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	5-1	2.36	6	61	1	27/89	1.13
24	MIN	1-0	6.49	1	34.7	4	15/32	1.64
25	AAA	3-0	1.78	2	25.3	2	9/25	1.08
25	MIN	4-1	3.51	1	41	2	18/40	1.51
26	MIN	4-2	4.04	6	65	6	27/62	1.38

He's not a classic closer but appears to be in the mix with other similarly unnatural contestants for the back end of the Twins bullpen. And he has earned a save each of the last two years. He's not dominant and allows more walks than you'd like but he does throw a lot of ground balls. He's worth a small bid as long as he's in the closer mix, though he isn't rosterable if he's not earning saves unless your league counts holds.

Hunter Gaddis

Throws: R Age: 28 **\$4**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$22	25:\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	2-1	4.50	0	42	6	14/24	1.31
24	CLE	6-3	1.57	0	74.7	4	14/66	0.77
25	CLE	2-2	3.11	3	66.7	8	21/73	1.19
26	CLE	3-3	3.25	2	66	8	19/63	1.12

He was crazy effective and lucky keeping runners off base in 2024, emerging as a top setup guy after struggling as a starter. There was the usual uptick in velocity, but also a silly-bad BABIP against him, a high LOB%, and only four percent homers per fly ball against him, which was key because he threw nearly 50 percent fly balls. Last year he got more whiffs off his fastball despite a drop in velocity, but struggled with his change up on his way to striking out and walking more while allowing more homers. Still, he finished second in holds in the majors behind only Abner Uribe. There's no reason to think he can't do that again.

Zac Gallen

Throws: R Age: 31 **\$8**

YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$10	23:\$22	24:\$25	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$38	23:\$27	24:\$5	25:\$6	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	17-9	3.00	0	210	22	47/220	1.12
24	ARI	14-6	3.65	0	148	13	54/156	1.26
25	ARI	13-15	4.83	0	192	31	66/175	1.26
26	---	13-12	4.23	0	194	25	66/186	1.28

He'd never allowed so many homers as he did last year, notably nine were hit off of the 109 sliders and cutters he threw. That's not home-run derby efficient, but it isn't sustainable either. With a downturn in velocity on his heater, a drop in his strikeout rate, and all those dingers, Gallen's problems appear to be organic and more than a small rebound less than likely. But after rejecting the Diamondbacks qualifying offer he bet on himself to bounce back, so we'll see.

Brandyn Garcia

Throws: L Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	6-2	2.25	0	116	4	47/134	1.22
25	AAA	6-5	3.45	5	44.3	5	25/55	1.38

TM: ARI

Luis Garcia

Throws: R Age: 39

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$1	23:\$5	24:\$6	25:\$5				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	2-3	4.07	0	59.7	6	24/53	1.39
24	---	5-1	4.88	4	59	8	15/53	1.29
25	---	2-2	3.42	2	55.3	2	26/48	1.47

Signed with the Mets in January.

Robert Garcia

Throws: L Age: 30 **\$3**

YR/C 21:\$9	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$3	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-2	4.00	0	32	3	12/33	1.19
24	WSN	3-6	4.22	0	59.7	4	16/75	1.20
25	TEX	4-8	2.95	9	64	8	22/68	1.25
26	TEX	3-5	3.61	9	64	7	22/70	1.23

Did a solid job as part of a committee last year and while Phil Maton may have moved on it's hard to see a reason for the Rangers not to have another one this year. New manager Skip Schumaker managed a committee in Miami, so he's flexible enough. This situation is fluid so keep an eye during spring training for any developments.

Yimi Garcia

Throws: R Age: 36 **\$4**

YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$1	23:	24:\$2	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$3	23:\$0	24:\$4	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	3-4	4.09	3	66	8	15/79	1.24
24	---	3-0	3.46	5	39	6	12/49	0.90
26	TOR	3-2	3.65	4	60	8	22/66	1.14

Could the Blue Jays make him their closer? Jeff Hoffman's issue last season was homers allowed, and Garcia beats him on that, but all those bases on balls have to be a caution. If we attribute the control issues to his elbow issues, which led to surgery last August, he's expected to be healthy come spring training. That might fix things. If so he's a viable candidate.

Player Name

Braxton Garrett

\$3

Throws: L	Age: 29				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$10	25:	2026
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:-\$2	23:\$15	24:-\$7	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	9-7	3.66	0	159.7	20	29/156	1.15
24	MIA	2-2	5.35	0	37	5	4/34	1.19
26	MIA	6-7	4.17	0	135	16	28/121	1.22

He had UCL revision surgery with an internal brace (it used to be easy to simply type "the TJ") in December 2024 and began throwing in June last year. He's a control artist with a variety of pitches and looks who relies on excellent control to minimize run production. That's because he's hittable. When he finds the right balance, as he did in 2023, he can have fantasy value, but between uncertainty about his recovery and the fine line he toes on the mound, he's a good bet if cheap enough.

Robert Gasser

\$1

Throws: L	Age: 27				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIL	2-0	2.57	0	28	2	1/16	1.04
25	AAA	3-2	2.37	0	38	1	11/41	1.05
26	MIL	3-3	3.70	0	61	8	18/54	1.22

Went down with elbow issues and had the TJ in June 2024, then made it back with Milwaukee for two short starts last September. Though he didn't impress in those two games he looked sharp in Triple-A and is expected to be healthy come spring training. Before the injury he'd only made five starts, showing excellent control but only striking out 16 in 28 innings. With a solid spring he could force his way into the back of the Brewers rotation and has the stuff and command to succeed.

Kevin Gausman

\$15

Throws: R	Age: 35				
YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$24	23:\$23	24:\$26	25:\$14	2026
YR/E 21:\$34	22:\$9	23:\$23	24:\$7	25:\$22	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	12-9	3.16	0	185	19	55/237	1.18
24	TOR	14-11	3.83	0	181	20	56/162	1.22
25	TOR	10-11	3.59	0	193	21	50/189	1.06
26	TOR	12-11	3.91	0	185	23	54/179	1.19

His fantasy profile changed in the 2024 season, when his strikeout rate declined significantly. He didn't lose much velocity, just a little, and his arsenal didn't change dramatically, but after some decline he started throwing more four-seamers and fewer sliders. And that was it, he went from a valuable fantasy piece when he was on to mid-level guy who might be outstanding on any given day but just didn't rack up enough strikeouts for fantasy. The difference shows up in the increase of his value from 2024 to 2025, two years that look fairly similar on the surface. But in 2024 Gausman had a somewhat higher ERA and BABIP allowed, while last year he walked fewer and had a lower BABIP and allowed fewer hits, leading to a much better-looking WHIP. So even though he didn't win as many games he earned more. He also struck out more hitters, though by today's standards he was still something of a pitch-to-contact arm. Don't bid him up too much and hope to split the difference between his high seasons and his lows.

ALEX PATTON PICK: At the All-Star break, he had a 4.19 ERA and 1.16 WHIP.

94 PITCHERS

Cade Gibson

Throws: L	Age: 28				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	MIA	4-5	2.63	0	54.7	3	21/43	1.20

Trey Gibson

Throws: R	Age: 24				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-8	4.26	0	120.3	13	44/166	1.22

Made seven Triple-A starts after being promoted in August and notably allowed five homers in 29.1 innings, leading to a bloated 7.98 ERA. He struck out 31 and walked 12 but will have to corral the long ball and fine tune his command there this year before he'll be given a shot at the Orioles rotation. The addition of a hard breaking slider last year bumped up his prospect profile but the Orioles have a deep starter roster at this point. He's going to have to earn his shot this year. TM: BAL

Luis Gil

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 28				
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:\$6	2026
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:	23:	24:\$11	25:-\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NY Y	15-7	3.50	0	151.7	18	77/171	1.20
25	NY Y	4-1	3.32	0	57	5	33/41	1.40
26	NY Y	7-4	3.96	0	102	13	52/99	1.33

In his brief major league career he's never not walked too many. Last year a lat strain kept him off the bump until August, and after a weak first game he went 4-0 with a 2.68 ERA. Nice! But all of his luck numbers helped him. He got the job done, but if he pitches that way this year odds are the results won't be as good. He was recovering from injury, has had an off-season to recover more, and is likely to be better this year. But is also likely to walk too many, making him a necessary risk in deep leagues but not one you want to pay too much for.

Logan Gilbert

\$28

Throws: R	Age: 29				
YR/C 21:	22:\$12	23:\$16	24:\$23	25:\$29	2026
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:\$14	23:\$23	24:\$40	25:\$16	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	13-7	3.73	0	190.7	29	36/189	1.08
24	SEA	9-12	3.23	0	208.7	26	37/220	0.89
25	SEA	6-6	3.44	0	131	20	31/173	1.03
26	SEA	10-9	3.34	0	166	22	36/189	1.01

After three years of making every start he stumbled last May, missing six weeks with a strained flexor in his pitching elbow. He's been a textbook example of a talented hurler with good but not great stuff pitching in a pitchers park and spinning fantasy gold from time to time. Last year he moved from a cutter to throwing his splitter and slider more and he got more swinging strikes and strikeouts. In the past his fantasy strength was volume, he led the majors in innings in 2024, but if he can maintain last year's strikeout gains for 32 starts he could set a standard for himself.

Kevin Ginkel

Throws: R	Age: 32				
YR/C 21:\$1	22:	23:\$1	24:\$4	25:\$3	
YR/E 21:-\$8	22:-\$5	23:\$13	24:\$5	25:-\$12	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	9-1	2.00	4	65.3	3	23/70	0.98
24	ARI	8-3	3.21	5	70	6	15/77	1.20
25	ARI	1-4	7.36	3	25.7	2	13/29	1.67

J.T. Ginn

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 27				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$6	25:-\$11	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	OAK	1-1	4.24	0	34	4	9/29	1.32
25	ATH	4-7	5.08	0	90.3	17	31/99	1.37
26	ATH	4-5	4.39	0	95	13	32/90	1.32

He doesn't throw that hard but don't call him Sloe Ginn. He mostly throws sinkers, cutters, and splitters, and he often has hitters off balance but too often not off balance enough. That's when they barrel him and the bad things happen. That led to a high rate of homers on fly balls, which can be a matter of luck, but is also a problem. Especially when you're pitching in a Triple-A ballpark that favors hitters. Ginn has great command and may work out a way to avoid the problems he faced last year, though pitching in Sutter Home Park is definitely going to hurt. A little more stuff would be a tonic.

Lucas Giolito

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 32				
YR/C 21:\$31	22:\$24	23:\$13	24:\$6	25:\$3	2026
YR/E 21:-\$19	22:20	23:-\$5	24:	25:\$5	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	8-15	5.00	0	184.3	41	73/204	1.31
25	BOS	10-4	3.41	0	145	17	56/121	1.29
26	---	10-9	4.30	0	165	24	64/146	1.34

He missed 2024 following an internal brace TJ and seemed to regain some of the shine his dismal 2023 season dulled. His main improvement? Allowing fewer homers. The warning signs? He's still walking too many and striking out fewer than since his first full and unpromising year, 2018. The next year he ditched his sinker and went with his four seamer and change up more, throwing more strikes and walking way fewer hitters. Hitters made a lot less contact, but last year they made contact at an almost 2018 rate. He was better in the first half last year and his season ended early with elbow soreness, so perhaps fatigue was an issue after sitting out a year. But even in that first half his K rate was less than eight and his xERA more than four. He's expected to be healthy for spring training. With more health and strength perhaps he'll improve, but it's better not to count on that.

Sawyer Gipson-Long

Throws: R	Age: 28				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$11	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	8-8	4.33	0	99.7	20	29/126	1.13
25	AAA	0-1	3.63	0	39.7	1	9/42	1.10
25	DET	0-2	7.18	0	31.3	8	6/26	1.29
26	DET	2-2	4.62	0	56	9	16/50	1.25

He recovered from TJ and hip surgeries but he had neck issues in 2025 that limited his appearances. When he was able to go he got creamed, allowing eight homers in 31.3 innings. He's got good control and in the past has

missed bats, so there's some chance he can revive his career as a starter, but at this point he's working to earn another chance. That's one step removed.

Tyler Glasnow \$15

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C 21:\$25	22:	23:\$14	24:\$22	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:\$15	22:	23:\$15	24:\$20	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	10-7	3.53	0	120	13	37/162	1.08
24	LAD	9-6	3.49	0	134	15	35/168	0.95
25	LAD	4-3	3.19	0	90.3	10	43/106	1.10
26	LAD	9-6	3.52	0	139	16	50/165	1.12

Could Glasnow match his career high innings pitched in 2024? The smart money said, No! Which is why it's the smart money. This year's target is a bit easier. He's topped 90.3 three times in his career. So, you know you're going to get IL time with Glasnow, which makes the bigger question why the increase in walks last year. Much of the problem came before and immediately after he returned from the IL with shoulder inflammation. He slipped some in September, too, but for now it looks like the walks were the result of him dealing with an injury, before, and ramping back up after. He's been a terrific pitcher when he's able to get out there, which given his tendency to miss time means he's going to be risky this year no matter what his price. As usual.

Austin Gomber

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$11	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$11	23:\$18	24:\$12	25:\$25				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	COL	9-9	5.50	0	139	26	43/87	1.49
24	COL	5-12	4.75	0	165	30	38/116	1.31
25	AAA	2-1	1.16	0	31	1	7/32	0.81
25	COL	0-7	7.49	0	57.7	16	17/34	1.73
26	---	5-11	5.46	0	133	26	36/90	1.42

His resume from the years in Colorado is not pretty.

Yoendrys Gomez

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$10				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	0-3	3.58	0	65.3	6	37/78	1.29
24	AAA	3-5	3.67	0	83.3	12	39/93	1.16
25	AAA	4-3	2.12	0	46.7	3	21/64	1.28
25	---	3-3	5.17	1	62.7	12	27/58	1.40
26	TBR	3-3	4.53	0	85	13	35/80	1.34

He started last season with the Yankees, moved to the Dodgers, and then to the White Sox, who traded him to the Rays in November. He has allowed 14 homers so far in his 76 inning major league career, but was more effective after the White Sox moved him into the rotation, striking out 9.2 per 9 and walking 3.2. The Rays must see something in him, which is reason enough to keep an eye on him.

Tony Gonsolin

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$4	23:\$12	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$32	23:\$2	24:	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	8-5	4.98	0	103	19	40/82	1.22
25	LAD	3-2	5.00	0	36	9	18/38	1.42

Missed 2024 after TJ and went down in June with an elbow injury that required internal brace TJ in June. He might be back around

midseason but his injury history and recent struggles makes him an unlikely fantasy contributor this year.

Tanner Gordon

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$21	25:\$19				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	COL	0-6	8.65	0	34.3	10	6/26	1.73
25	AAA	1-4	5.25	0	58.3	9	11/47	1.53
25	COL	6-8	6.33	0	75.3	16	17/62	1.50
26	COL	6-12	5.92	0	135	27	33/100	1.46

Calls Colorado his pitching home.

MacKenzie Gore \$8

Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$2	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$9	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:\$5	24:\$7	25:\$6	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	7-10	4.42	0	136.3	27	57/151	1.40
24	WSN	10-12	3.90	0	166.3	15	65/181	1.42
25	WSN	5-15	4.17	0	159.7	20	64/185	1.36
26	TEX	10-12	4.06	0	176	21	68/194	1.33

On May 16 last year Gore pitched 3.7 innings and allowed 10 hits while striking out nine. He also walked two. Only twice before has someone pitched four or fewer innings, allowed nine or more hits while striking out nine or more. When Noah Syndergaard did it in 2015 and James Paxton did it in 2019, each allowed seven earned runs, but when Gore did it he allowed only two. That certainly helped him to a 3.09 ERA in the first half last year, striking out 11.7 per 9 and walking 2.7. That's the Gore that fantasy players and Nats fans were looking for after his promising 2024 season, but the Gore who arrived in the second half was a lot more gruesome. After July 1 he had a 5.93 ERA, struck out 8.3 and walked 5.0 while allowing 1.3 homers per 9. There's no evidence of injury to explain the collapse, though he did a two week IL stint in late August with a shoulder strain. He did show a slight decrease in velocity across the board that got bigger as the season progressed. On July 1 Gore was earning \$14 in 5x5 roto, a reason someone will again bid him up a ways, but those who fear there might be an injury lurking will stay away. Unlike the Rangers, who traded for him and two more years of team control.

Gordon Graceffo

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$12				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	4-3	4.92	0	86	9	45/81	1.54
24	AAA	10-8	4.85	0	130	20	50/107	1.55
25	AAA	2-4	3.77	2	45.3	5	13/45	1.29
25	STL	3-1	6.28	1	43	2	13/40	1.47

Andre Granillo

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-0	1.29	2	42	2	14/58	0.83

TM:STL

Brusdar Graterol

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$1	23:\$3	24:\$3	25:				
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$2	23:\$18	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	4-2	1.20	7	67.3	3	12/48	0.97
26	LAD	2-2	3.40	0	54	4	16/46	1.16

November 2024 shoulder surgery knocked him out for last season after a rehab setback last summer. But he's throwing again in the offseason and is expected to be ready this spring.

Jon Gray

Throws: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$9	23:\$7	24:\$5	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$3	23:\$3	24:\$7	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	9-8	4.12	0	157.3	22	54/142	1.29
24	TEX	5-6	4.47	0	102.7	11	28/86	1.32
26	---	6-7	4.82	0	117	18	39/99	1.34

A disastrous 2025 makes Gray a wildcard for this year. He's continued to struggle even after escaping Colorado four years ago.

Josiah Gray

Throws: R Age: 29 \$1

YR/C 21:	22:\$6	23:\$3	24:\$2	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$9	22:\$7	23:\$4	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	8-13	3.91	0	159	22	80/143	1.46
24	AAA	0-1	6.00	0	21	4	5/14	1.19
26	WSN	5-10	5.88	0	118	20	51/101	1.51

He returned in September after July 2024 TJ and should be healthy for the start of training camp. He's struggled in the past allowing bases on balls and homers in uncomfortable quantities and not reaching his prospect potential. He'll get a new start this year and while far from a sure thing both a slow start and an eventual breakout (in limited innings) would not be a surprise.

Sonny Gray

Throws: R Age: 37 \$12

YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$15	23:\$9	24:\$17	25:\$15	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$9	23:\$26	24:\$14	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	8-8	2.79	0	184	8	55/183	1.15
24	STL	13-9	3.84	0	166.3	21	39/203	1.09
25	STL	14-8	4.28	0	180.7	25	38/201	1.24
26	BOS	13-10	3.90	0	181	23	45/198	1.19

His ERA was hurt by a high-ish BABIP and low LOB%, with Statcast saying his xERA was 3.90. Still not great for fantasy, but less unsightly. He throws five pitches more than 10 percent of the time, and also mixes in a change up regularly, and when he's on he gets a lot of soft contact. Last year he allowed more barrels than ever before, which was at least part of the problem. The problem for fantasy owners is that when older players struggle with things more than they once did it's hard to discern whether that's a random fluctuation or the beginning of the end. The move to Fenway as his home park may affect him too. Fenway is overall more hitter friendly, especially for home runs. Gray is more of a ground ball pitcher so he may not be that affected, but he should have a harder time there. If last year was a random fluctuation he may bounce back this year, but for fantasy purposes it's best not to count on that.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Had another very strong season in 2025 and yet is a tick behind some pitchers who are not as good. A projected 21% K-BB% should matter more and a projected 3.25 xERA and 1.14 WHIP look like profit to me

Player Name

Chad Green

Throws: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21:\$17	22:\$23 23:\$24 24:\$1 25:\$3
YR/E 21:\$17	22: 23: 24:\$8 25:\$11
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 TOR	4-6 3.21 17 53.3 8 14/46 1.04
25 TOR	3-2 5.56 1 43.7 14 13/35 1.48

Hunter Greene

Throws: R	Age: 27	\$25
YR/C 21:	22:\$4 23:\$18 24:\$14 25:\$20 2026	
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4 23:-\$8 24:\$26 25:\$20 Bid Price	
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP		
23 CIN	4-7 4.82 0 112 19 48/152 1.42	
24 CIN	9-5 2.75 0 150.3 12 57/169 1.02	
25 CIN	7-4 2.76 0 107.7 15 26/132 0.94	
26 CIN	12-9 3.35 0 184 24 61/222 1.09	

He went down at the start of June with a groin pull and didn't return until mid August. The injury interrupted a breakout season in which he was increasingly dominant and pitching with improved control. Despite pitching in a notorious homer park he allowed twice as many homers on the road, thanks in part to an elevated HR/FB rate there and a suppressed one in Great American. He was just as solid after his return as he'd been before the injury, an indicator that he's ready for a full breakout this year if he can stay healthy.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: When he's on his game - and healthy - there are few if any better options. However, he's pitched more than 126 MLB innings once.

Foster Griffin

Throws: L	Age: 31	\$2
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026	
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price	
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP		
24 NPB	6-4 3.01 0 116.7 8 23/126 1.05	
25 NPB	6-1 1.62 0 78 1 18/77 .95	
26 WSN	8-9 4.06 0 143 17 44/126 1.29	

Three strong years in Japan and Griffin has returned to the states, presumably as a starter. Despite minor league successes he got a very small taste of the big leagues in 2022 and flubbed it. He took the money and headed to NPB's Yomiuri Giants. He says his game improved by expanding his repertoire and working to make his delivery more repeatable and consistent. He's not a hard thrower, averaging 90.8 mph with his fastball, and is pitching for a weak team, suggesting he has limited fantasy upside even if his newfound skills translate.

Michael Grove

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$6 23:-\$14 24:-\$6 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 LAD	2-3 6.13 0 69 12 19/73 1.48
24 LAD	4-4 5.12 0 51 6 16/54 1.22

Missed last season after shoulder surgery and was removed from the 40-man roster in the offseason.

Luis Guerrero

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 AAA	5-3 3.31 2 54.3 6 32/79 1.31
25 AAA	2-2 4.65 1 31 5 26/27 1.42

Drue Hackenberg

Throws: R	Age: 24
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AA	2-9 6.81 0 74 9 54/67 1.82

Big control issues in Double A. TM:ATL

Josh Hader

Throws: L	Age: 32	\$18
YR/C 21:\$22	22:\$26 23:\$24 24:\$24 25:\$22 2026	
YR/E 21:\$27	22:\$3 23:\$20 24:\$16 25:\$18 Bid Price	
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP		
23 SDP	2-3 1.28 33 56.3 3 30/85 1.10	
24 HOU	8-8 3.80 34 71 12 25/105 0.96	
25 HOU	6-2 2.05 28 52.7 8 16/76 0.86	
26 HOU	5-4 3.15 28 66 9 24/91 1.03	

He went down with a left shoulder strain in mid-August ending his season. By November he was throwing and declaring that he was back to full strength, though he also warned that he'd have to wait to see how it holds up when the intensity ramps up. We all will, apparently. Hader throws a lot of fly balls, and so has been susceptible to the home run, but he also induces a lot of infield pop ups which are the functional equivalent of a strikeout. He cut the number of walks he allowed last year while throwing fewer sinkers and more sliders, which helps limit the damage when the homers come. The new mix led to more swings on pitches out of the zone and less contact on those pitches, which can't be a bad thing. Overall, his 21.1 percent swinging strike rate was tied with Mason Miller for the best in baseball for pitchers with 50+ innings last year. Health is the concern but his evolution as a pitcher seems to be making him a better one.

DL Hall

Throws: L	Age: 28	\$1
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$1 24:\$5 25: 2026	
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$13 25:\$0 Bid Price	
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP		
23 AAA	2-2 3.98 1 52 7 32/78 1.37	
24 MIL	1-2 5.02 0 43 6 21/44 1.60	
25 MIL	1-0 3.49 0 38.7 2 17/27 1.07	
26 MIL	2-2 4.10 0 52 6 23/48 1.32	

As a prospect he was a high-ceiling guy with an untouchable fastball but he hasn't pulled it all together yet. He missed most of the last six weeks last season with an oblique strain and much of the first two months out with a lat strain but when he was out there he somehow got a lot of outs without striking out a whole lot of hitters. Injured middle relievers with declining strikeout rates dim the shine of their former prospect status.

Seth Halvorsen

Throws: R	Age: 26	\$8
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$2 2026	
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$8 Bid Price	
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP		
24 AAA	5-2 4.47 9 44.3 3 23/56 1.47	
25 COL	1-2 4.99 11 39.7 7 21/36 1.58	
26 COL	3-3 4.39 6 60 8 26/56 1.41	

He went down in early August with a flexor strain, ending his season, but was throwing again early in the offseason and is expected to be fine for spring training. His four seamer averages better than 100 but he gets swinging strikes with his slider and induces more ground outs than punch outs. He's walked too many and allowed too many homers so far, but he's young and has the kind of stuff that could

dominate, and he's in position for at least a share of the Rockies saves right now.

Ian Hamilton

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$4 24:-\$6 25:-\$4
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 NYY	3-2 2.64 2 58 2 26/69 1.22
24 NYY	0-1 3.82 1 37.7 2 14/41 1.37
25 NYY	2-1 4.28 0 40 5 22/42 1.25

Chase Hampton

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 NYY	0-1 3.82 1 37.7 2 14/41 1.37

Missed 2025 after February TJ and will be invited to camp by the Yankees, though he may end up in extended spring training. He only threw 19.7 innings in 2024, so he has some tuning up to do. TM:NYY

Emerson Hancock

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$8 25:-\$10
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 AA	11-5 4.32 0 98 9 38/107 1.24
24 SEA	4-4 4.75 0 60.7 12 19/39 1.35
25 AAA	1-2 5.24 0 44.7 5 15/56 1.56
25 SEA	4-5 4.90 0 90 15 31/64 1.38

Brenan Haniffee

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$1 25:\$0
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 AAA	2-8 4.38 2 90.3 11 30/82 1.47
24 DET	1-1 1.84 0 29.3 2 6/23 1.13
25 DET	3-3 3.00 0 60 3 14/40 1.32

Thomas Harrington

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AAA	7-9 5.34 0 96 20 33/90 1.31
26 PIT	1-1 5.41 0 28 5 10/22 1.43

Made an April Fools start and got hit hard in his major league debut, then earned a four-inning save a week later and returned to Triple-A. He was called up for one game at the start of August and he ended up on the minor league IL mid-month with a groin pull. After success in Double-A and Triple-A in 2024 he struggled in Triple-A last year allowing homers, which is always a risk for a control specialist who throws lots of fly balls and not a lot of whiffs. He should be ready for spring training healthwise and will compete for a spot in the rotation against heavy hitters. If he doesn't make it finding a way to keep the ball in the park will be the paramount goal for his development.

Hayden Harris

Throws: L	Age: 27
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 AAA	3-4 4.64 3 42.7 5 25/69 1.57
25 AAA	6-0 0.52 4 52 1 19/79 0.75

TM:ATL

Hogan Harris **\$3**

Throws: L Age: 30
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: \$17 24: \$0 25: \$1 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	OAK	3-6	7.14	0	63	10	28/56	1.51
24	OAK	4-4	2.86	0	72.3	7	33/61	1.36
25	ATH	2-1	3.20	4	64.7	5	33/65	1.36
26	ATH	3-3	3.87	6	66	7	31/61	1.37

Potential closer for the A's, he has some strikeout punch but also has walked too many to rely on. Their situation is looking like a blasted committee.

Kyle Harrison **\$1**

Throws: L Age: 25
 YR/C 21: 22: \$1 23: 24: \$8 25: \$4 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: \$3 24: \$9 25: \$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	1-1	4.15	0	34.7	8	11/35	1.15
24	SFG	7-7	4.56	0	124.3	18	42/118	1.35
25	AAA	5-2	3.66	0	76.3	7	35/88	1.50
25	---	1-1	4.04	0	35.7	4	14/38	1.39
26	BOS	2-2	4.29	0	49	7	18/48	1.32

He was traded to the Red Sox in the Rafael Devers trade last year, and finished the season with three starts for the Boston team in September. He has good control and command because he throws a lot of fastballs, 60.5 percent last year, and it has been his most effective pitch at the major league level. He struck out and walked more hitters last year and continued to allow homers in San Francisco, but after he was promoted by the Red Sox to the majors he threw more curves and allowed no homers. Coincidence? Maybe, but something to keep an eye on. The Sox added starters, leaving Harrison out of the picture heading into spring training, but if his improvements are genuine he'll work his way into the rotation at some point.

Hunter Harvey **\$1**

Throws: R Age: 32
 YR/C 21: \$4 22: 23: \$1 24: \$6 25: \$1 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: \$1 23: \$12 24: \$6 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	4-4	2.82	10	60.7	7	13/67	0.94
24	---	2-4	4.44	1	50.7	5	16/55	1.33
26	CHC	2-2	3.48	2	52	5	16/54	1.17

Of injured setup guy has skills, used to look like he had mad skills, but he missed most of last season with shoulder and groin strains, and he's spent lots of time on the IL each year since 2021. In 2023 he only missed one month with a groin strain and showed what he can do when almost healthy. The Cubs will take what they can get this year.

Brent Headrick

Throws: L Age: 29
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: \$8 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	3-0	6.31	1	25.7	7	10/30	1.44
25	AAA	2-1	2.63	0	24	2	7/24	1.33

Ryan Helsley **\$12**

Throws: R Age: 32
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: \$21 24: \$19 25: \$23 2026
 YR/E 21: \$3 22: \$26 23: \$7 24: \$23 25: \$5 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	3-4	2.45	14	36.7	1	17/52	1.06
24	STL	7-4	2.04	49	66.3	3	23/79	1.10
25	---	3-4	4.50	21	56	8	25/63	1.54
26	BAL	4-4	3.37	27	64	7	25/73	1.24

He wasn't great after he was traded to the Mets last year, but he wasn't as bad as his 7.20 ERA looks. The Orioles are betting he'll bounce back and be an effective closer for them this year. He throws 99 mph but has struggled with his control, especially after the trade last year, and even normal HR/FB rates bump up his homers allowed numbers to a troublesome degree. He showed in 2024 that he can close games, but he also showed, in 2025, that not really.

Tink Henge

Throws: R Age: 23
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A+	4-6	4.31	0	96	12	34/99	1.33
24	AA	4-3	2.71	0	79.7	5	26/109	1.07
25	AA	0-1	2.95	0	21.3	1	13/24	1.23

He was late getting started because of a rib strain and went down in July with shoulder inflammation and impingement. While he was on the mound he missed plenty of bats and plenty strike zones, walking and striking out a lot of batters. The Cardinals are discussing whether he should keep working as a starter or they should move him to the bullpen because of all his injuries. Whichever way they go, he's unlikely to be a fantasy factor this year but is a talented pitcher if he can stay healthy. TM:STL

Logan Henderson **\$6**

Throws: R Age: 24
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: \$2 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	10-4	3.59	0	77.7	9	24/87	1.11
25	MIL	3-0	1.78	0	25.3	3	8/33	1.00
26	MIL	6-4	3.63	0	97	14	30/100	1.15

He bounced up and down between Triple-A and the majors last season, dazzling with his fine control, drop dead change up, and a slow fastball that drew plenty of swings and not that much contact at both levels. He hit the IL in early August with a flexor strain and that was his season, but those 21 appearances and 103 innings pitched represent career highs. His super-low ERA was certainly influenced by a 96.2 percent LOB%, and Statcast says it should have been a more average xERA of 3.73, but that's quibbling. He's got swing and miss stuff even if it isn't blowing batters away and he has good control. As a third or fourth starter he could prove a gem if he stays healthy.

Liam Hendriks

Throws: R Age: 37
 YR/C 21: \$24 22: \$26 23: \$6 24: 25: \$7
 YR/E 21: \$31 22: \$16 23: 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	0-0	0.00	0	3	0	2/5	1.00
26	---	1-1	4.48	0	24	3	9/23	1.27

Has missed most of the last three years and given his age seems an unlikely rebound candidate.

Edgardo Henriquez **\$1**

Throws: R Age: 24
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	1-2	2.72	0	53	2	29/88	1.23
26	LAD	2-1	3.49	1	34	4	14/36	1.25

The fireballer averaged more than 100 mph on his fastball and would appear to be ready for a full season setting up Edwin Diaz in the Dodger bullpen, or at least setting up the setuppers.

Ronny Henriquez

Throws: R Age: 26
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: \$13

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	5-3	5.64	1	60.7	6	39/53	1.60
24	AAA	1-2	3.44	3	55	9	17/59	1.38
25	MIA	7-1	2.22	7	73	8	27/98	1.10

Shifted much of his changeup mix into sliders last season when he moved to the Marlins and bumped his K rate from 18.3 to 32.3 percent. That moved him into a setup and sometime closer role and a pronounced improvement in his career prospects. Alas, he underwent internal brace TJ last December and will miss the 2026 season.

Cole Henry

Throws: R Age: 27
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: \$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	0-3	6.21	0	33.3	6	16/37	1.47
25	WSN	1-2	4.27	2	52.7	7	32/52	1.44
26	WSN	2-2	4.34	8	64	9	33/61	1.39

He struggled with his control all year long and allowed too many homers in the season's first half, but that isn't new. He's had the same issues in the minors since reaching Double-A. He's got good stuff but until he cuts down on the walks he's got little chance at fantasy relevance.

Sam Hentges

Throws: L Age: 30
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: \$1 25:
 YR/E 21: \$4 22: \$8 23: \$2 24: \$1 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	3-2	3.61	0	52.3	2	18/56	1.36
24	CLE	0-0	3.04	0	23.7	3	5/27	0.99
26	SFG	2-2	3.56	0	54	5	18/54	1.22

Missed all of 2025 after shoulder and knee surgeries and is expected to be ready for spring training with the Giants. He was a pretty effective major leaguer before the last year.

Jimmy Herget

Throws: R Age: 33
 YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
 YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: \$8

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	COL	1-2	2.48	0	83.3	6	26/81	1.18
26	COL	2-3	4.12	1	83	11	26/77	1.30

Rockies setup guy got away from his fastball and went more sinker-slider and cut the number of homers he allowed, or else he just got lucky. It's always tough to recommend pitchers in Colorado who are not in line for saves.

Player Name

Carlos Hernandez

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$7	23:-\$6	24:-\$5	25:-\$16				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KCR	1-10	5.27	4	70	10	31/77	1.33
24	KCR	0-1	3.30	0	30	1	16/27	1.33
25	---	1-0	6.23	0	43.3	4	22/39	1.67

Daysbel Hernandez

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	ATL	4-3	3.41	0	37	3	30/33	1.54
26	ATL	2-1	3.86	0	34	3	19/35	1.38

He's made a season's worth of relief appearances the last three years and has walked 43 batters in 58.7 innings pitched. And he was consistent last year with 7.20 BB/9 in the first half and 7.71 in the second half. Not fantasy relevant.

Welinton Herrera

Throws: L	Age: 22							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	5-5	2.64	17	64.7	2	25/99	1.15
TM:COL								

Tim Herrin

Throws: L	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$8	24:\$13	25:-\$10				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	1-1	5.53	0	27.7	3	12/32	1.48
24	CLE	5-1	1.92	0	65.7	2	25/68	0.98
25	CLE	5-4	4.85	0	42.7	5	30/45	1.59

DJ Herz

Throws: L	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	WSN	4-9	4.16	0	88.7	11	36/106	1.27
26	WSN	1-2	4.07	0	22	3	9/26	1.27

Had April 2025 TJ and is not likely to be back on the mound until midseason, if all goes well.

Ben Hess

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	7-4	3.22	0	103.3	3	46/139	1.08

Split last year between High-A and Double-A and threw plenty of strikeouts. He showed improved command in his seven Double-A starts and if that holds up he could step up a grade as a prospect. Not a top starting prospect but he could become one with further development because of his live arm. TM:NY

Jordan Hicks

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$3	23:\$1	24:\$6	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$7	23:\$3	24:-\$10	25:-\$24				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	3-9	3.00	12	65.7	4	32/81	1.36
24	SFG	4-7	4.10	1	109.7	12	47/96	1.46
25	---	2-7	6.95	2	67.3	6	32/58	1.67
26	BOS	2-3	4.73	1	58	6	25/52	1.46

Starter? Reliever? He's getting old enough that chances will be harder to find. Or meaningful opportunities.

Jaden Hill

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$4				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-2	4.57	7	45.3	4	17/69	1.43
25	COL	1-1	3.38	0	29.3	2	12/31	1.34
26	COL	2-2	4.32	0	52	6	20/48	1.35

He struggled in his first ML stint in 2024, but was a different pitcher last summer. It's probably premature to declare him part of the leverage fight at a mile high, but he should be in the conversation.

Tim Hill

Throws: L	Age: 36							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:-\$4	23:-\$12	24:-\$5	25:5				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	1-4	5.48	0	44.3	7	14/26	1.65
24	---	4-0	3.36	0	67	2	19/31	1.43
25	NY	4-4	3.09	0	67	8	16/37	1.10

ROTOROB PAN: Was a workhorse last year, posting a career-best ERA and racking up a decent amount of holds along the way. But his FIP of 4.30 suggests regression is coming and an even bigger concern is do you really want a non-closing reliever who can't miss bats (lowest K/9 among all pitchers with at least 50 IP)?

Cooper Hjerpe

Throws: L	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
Only 14 innings at Double A. TM:STL								

Porter Hodge

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$12	25:-\$11				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHC	3-1	1.88	9	43	2	19/52	0.88
25	CHC	2-2	6.27	2	33	9	18/40	1.58
26	CHC	2-2	3.80	2	50	6	24/55	1.26

His season was derailed by injuries and poor performance, which landed him in the minors twice. Control issues have always been an issue for him and last year was no exception. The former Cubs closer candidate needs to prove himself again before he's worth rostering for roto.

Bryan Hoeing

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$9	24:\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	2-3	5.48	0	70.7	13	25/53	1.36
24	---	2-3	2.18	0	53.7	4	14/43	1.07
25	AAA	2-0	6.27	0	18.7	2	6/21	1.87

Jeff Hoffman

Throws: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:\$1	22:-\$3	23:\$10	24:\$14	25:\$7	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	5-2	2.41	1	52.3	3	19/69	0.92
24	PHI	3-3	2.17	10	66.3	6	16/89	0.97
25	TOR	9-7	4.37	33	68	15	27/84	1.19
26	TOR	4-4	3.43	21	63	9	22/76	1.13

He got the saves last year the Blue Jays needed, until the final game that is. Now the team is saying he's not a sure thing to close this season, which kind of makes sense given all the

homers he allowed. He hadn't had that problem since working as a starter in Colorado, so there is some chance he was unlucky on fly balls, but he was hit harder than the previous two years, too. Yimi Garcia and Louis Varland are both viable replacements, and the team added Tyler Rogers, another possibility, so it's best to take the Blue Jays warning seriously.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Second half ERA showed improvement, but the skills were worse; walked more batters while striking out a lot less. Gave up a ton of HR all year. Saves at risk if these trends continue.

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Skills fell off a cliff in May, like Wile E. Coyote, they climbed back up in June/July, then fell off the cliff again in August and September/October, with a 16% walk rate and 6% K-bb. As well, his 15 taters (to 287 batters, a 5% HR/BF) were second among all relievers with 50+ IP. And of course Hoffman infamously gave up a crushing, game-tying HR to banjo hitter Miguel Rojas in the top of the ninth of World Series Game 7. Hoffman has two years left on his contract, and was the early leader for the 2026 closer role. But GM Ross Atkins told Toronto media in early November that the team "isn't committed" to Hoffman as their main closer, praised Hoffman's willingness to take whatever role they give him, then a month later signed submariner Tyler Rogers (see my comment later), who gave up just 4 HR (to 299 batters, a 1% HR/BF). Caveat emptor.

TIM MCLEOD PAN: One of the few areas the Jays were looking to upgrade this off-season was the ninth inning. That hasn't occurred. Last year was filled with ups and downs from Jeff Hoffman. Why would we expect the roller coaster ride to end in 2026?

Andrew Hoffmann

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-4	3.19	2	42.3	3	13/57	1.26

Gunnar Hoglund

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$12				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-2	2.43	0	29.7	3	7/30	1.06
25	ATH	1-3	6.40	0	32.3	10	11/23	1.53
26	ATH	2-3	5.15	0	51	10	17/39	1.38

Made six starts and was knocked around in the last four before going down with a hip injury that led to season-ending surgery. He may have to head to extended spring training where he will work on getting righties out. They had a 1.111 OPS against him last year.

Grant Holman

Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-0	0.55	9	48.7	1	22/54	0.97
25	AAA	1-0	0.00	4	9.3	0	1/9	0.22
25	OAK	4-2	5.09	0	23	3	9/17	1.52

His season ended in mid-June with tendinitis in his shoulder which turned into a strained finger on his pitching hand. Or something like that. He's expected to be ready for spring training.

Clay Holmes

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 33
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23:\$17 24:\$19 25:\$9 2026
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$13 23:\$12 24:\$7 25:\$4 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NY	4-4	2.86	24	63	2	23/71	1.18
24	NY	3-5	3.14	30	63	4	22/68	1.30
25	NY	12-8	3.53	0	165.7	14	66/129	1.31
26	NY	11-10	3.78	0	176	16	68/149	1.33

As you'd expect, he became a different pitcher when he started. In relief he was 100 percent either sinker or slider, but that usage dropped to 71 percent as a starter. He became more hittable, didn't strike nearly as many per 9, and didn't lose too much for fantasy players who took a chance last year. As a closer he was a dominant arm often pitching the ninth. As a starter he's perhaps helping the Mets, but for fantasy purposes he has limited upside unless he cuts his walks allowed and gets lucky.

Grant Holmes

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$5
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$0 25:\$4

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	ATL	2-1	3.56	0	68.3	7	15/70	1.19
25	ATL	4-9	3.99	0	115	16	54/123	1.34
26	ATL	3-5	4.01	0	87	11	32/90	1.30

Struggled in a game in late July, feeling tightness that was eventually diagnosed as a partially torn UCL. He decided to rest it and rehab it rather than surgically fix it, which can work but can also lead to further injury and then surgery. He is not expected to have a high leverage role this year so can safely be ignored.

Tyler Holton

\$1

Throws: L	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$5 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$20 24:\$27 25:\$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	3-2	2.11	1	85.3	9	18/74	0.87
24	DET	7-2	2.19	8	94.3	7	17/77	0.79
25	DET	6-5	3.66	0	78.7	15	17/64	1.05
26	DET	5-3	3.23	2	72	9	17/60	1.04

After two years of massive earnings mostly in middle relief he reverted to being a regular middle reliever. His excellent control is the center of his game plan, along with a sinker-cutter-slide combo that gets lots of ground balls. He's been a solid source of holds in recent years, if that's how your league plays.

Brody Hopkins

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	5-7	2.72	0	116	7	60/141	1.25

Came over to the Rays in the Randy Arozarena deal in 2024, an athletic formerly two-way player with solid core skills and some command issues. He was effective in Double-A last year despite walking too many and is going to have to fix that in Triple-A next year. He's probably the Rays top prospect at this point and they'll use him in the majors when they think he's ready, possibly as soon as this year. TM:TBR

Bailey Horn

Throws: L	Age: 28							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-3	4.54	3	39.7	6	24/50	1.39
25	AAA	4-2	3.80	0	42.7	4	20/53	1.49

Cade Horton

\$14

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$18 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	4-4	2.65	0	88.3	7	27/117	1.00
24	AAA	2-1	4.46	0	34.3	5	13/40	1.25
25	AAA	2-1	1.24	0	29	2	13/33	0.86
25	CHC	11-4	2.67	0	118	10	33/97	1.08
26	CHC	10-7	3.56	0	134	16	41/115	1.20

After a hot Triple-A start he was called up early in May when Shota Imanaga got hurt. He did a fair enough job but had a 4.45 ERA and just two quality starts of 10 before the break. After the break it was a different story. In 12 starts he had three quality starts, not a big difference, but allowed only seven runs in 61.3 innings pitched, walking 2.2 per 9 and striking out 7.9. The difference, however, was much less a change in trajectory as a massive swing in his luck. In the first half he had a somewhat high BABIP of .318 and a low LOB% of 69.1 percent, so he was a little jinxed, while in the second half he had a very low BABIP of .191 and a high LOB% of 93.8 percent, so he was royally blessed. For reference, the highest LOB% among qualifiers last season was 85.5 percent, by Freddy Peralta. Horton did strike out more (7.92 per 9) in the second half and walked fewer (2.20), so he made progress, but the dramatic change in his stats is surely an illusion. His FIP and xFIP in the second half of 2.79 and 3.97, compared to his actual 1.03, show a better range of his performance and frame expectations for this year. He brings pedigree, he was a No. 7 overall in the 2021 draft, and a strong arsenal of effective pitches, but don't read too much into that strong second half. Until he finds a way to turn that arsenal into more of a swing and miss getter, he's a solid starter and not a fantasy elite talent.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Great rookie season, but not fully supported by his skills. You'll have to pay top dollar for him, but regression looks like a real possibility.

ALEX PATTON PAN: Exceptionally high strand rate, exceptionally low HR/FB. These things aren't all luck but luck plays a big part.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: Typing "watch the games, nerds" in 2026 probably says more about you than the "nerds" you're trying to embarrass but fading Horton because his batted ball metrics don't support the gaudy ERA really misses the forest for the trees. Horton is a savvy pitcher who has an established arsenal of five pitches (OK, four, the sinker is a show me offering) who got smarter about that pitch mix and saw better results as the season went on. No, he's probably not an ace (and he certainly won't be in 2026) but if the health holds, he is going to build on what he did down the stretch and take a big step forward this year.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: An underwhelming strikeout rate combined with dramatic over performance of both his SIERA and Statcast ERA means he'll be one to ignore at his likely price.

Tanner Houck

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$10 23:\$3 24:\$3 25:\$10
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$2 23:\$8 24:\$18 25:\$21

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	6-10	5.01	0	106	14	41/99	1.37
24	BOS	9-10	3.12	0	178.7	11	48/154	1.14
25	BOS	0-3	8.04	0	43.7	10	17/32	1.71

A terrible start to last season led to August 2025 internal brace TJ, which might have him back before the end of next season.

Adrian Houser

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 33
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$5 23: 24:\$1 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$7	22:\$2 23:\$3 24:\$19 25:\$5 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	8-5	4.12	0	111.3	13	34/96	1.39
24	NYM	1-5	5.84	1	69.3	8	32/45	1.53
25	AAA	2-2	5.03	0	39.3	4	15/37	1.15
25	---	8-5	3.31	0	125	10	38/92	1.28
26	SFG	8-8	4.37	0	147	16	51/107	1.39

When he was with Milwaukee he was a terrible fantasy starter even when he was going good because they often took him out in the fourth inning. Last year, with the White Sox, they gave him room to run and he ended up with nine quality starts in 11 games started. He also scored highly on the luck indicators in Chicago. After his trade to Tampa the luck indicators shifted to normal and though he threw a little harder and walked fewer he only had two quality starts and posted expected ERA estimates on par with his career norms. That's the pitcher he is. For his career as a reliever he's mostly that pitcher, too, but a little more effective than as a starter. The Giants have signed him for two years. They must have a plan.

ALEX PATTON PICK: You won't have to pay what the Giants did, not even close. He'll earn it with some to spare.

Bryan Hudson

Throws: L	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$18 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	5-2	2.43	0	55.7	3	26/86	1.31
24	MIL	6-1	1.73	0	62.3	7	17/62	0.72
25	AAA	2-1	5.97	2	31.7	3	14/31	1.51

Kyle Hurt

Throws: R	Age: 28							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-0	1.93	0	9.3	0	5/10	1.65

Joel Hurtado

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-6	2.75	0	91.7	6	28/59	1.23

A two-pitch guy who didn't dominate in Double-A last year should probably move to the bullpen, where magic can happen. Not necessarily fantasy magic. TM:LAA

Brant Hurter

Throws: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$7 25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	DET	6-1	2.58	0	45.3	4	6/38	0.89
25	DET	4-3	2.43	2	63	4	27/68	1.33

Player Name

Raisel Iglesias **\$14**

Throws: R	Age: 36
YR/C 21:\$19	22:\$23 23:\$20 24:\$19 25:\$23 2026
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$12 23:\$14 24:\$29 25:\$14 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 ATL 5-4 3.00 33 55.7 7 15/68 1.19	
24 ATL 6-2 1.95 34 69.3 4 13/68 0.74	
25 ATL 4-6 3.21 29 67.3 8 16/73 1.00	
26 ATL 4-3 3.22 26 66 7 17/69 1.05	

He's been a reliable closer, for the most part, since 2017, despite declining velocity and fewer strikeouts thrown. He struggled early last year, allowing seven homers in his first 21.3 innings, but then worked things out and allowed just one more the rest of the way. Without the elite strikeouts he's no longer an elite closer, but he's been a reliable one and should be again this year. You can take that to church.

Tatsuya Imai **\$14**

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
26 HOU 9-9 4.04 0 153 19 62/145 1.29	

The three-time NPB all star signed with the Astros after being posted by the Saitama Seibu Lions coming off the best season of his career. He throws a 94.8 mph four seamer, a slider, and a changeup 91 percent of the time combined, and mixes in a splitter, Vulcan change, and curveball mostly against lefties. He has a fairly sidearm release point and his pitches move a lot horizontally, a repertoire and approach compared by some to Luis Castillo. Plus, while his average fastball speed is near 95 he reached 100 seven times last year and is capable of pushing the velocity when the situation warrants it. Imai will be tested in the majors, as all pitchers are, but his stuff is strong and if improvements he made to his control/command last year carry over to the States he could be a big impact starter immediately.

Shota Imanaga **\$14**

Throws: L	Age: 33
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$14 25:\$20 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$30 25:\$17 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 CHC 15-3 2.91 0 173.3 27 28/174 1.02	
25 CHC 9-8 3.73 0 144.7 31 26/117 0.99	
26 CHC 10-7 3.73 0 152 27 30/137 1.09	

A deceptively good start to the season, he allowed seven homers in 39 innings in March/April with a 2.77 ERA (4.93 xFIP), was prelude to a two-month trip to the IL with a hamstring sprain. Homers continued to ruin him after he returned. He allowed 20 in 76.7 innings after the break. The Cubs chose not to exercise their three-year option and Imanaga accepted the qualifying offer. He's going to have to figure out a way to limit the homers, he allowed 55 percent fly balls last year, and have the same incredible luck on BABIP and LOB% to reward fantasy players this year. His fantasy value is helped because he walks so few.

JEFF WINICK PICK: Gives up way too many dingers but check out that whip. Wasn't nearly as bad as his benching in the playoffs suggested and that creates opportunity.

ALEX PATTON PAN: A soft-tossing flyball pitcher who had a rough second half.

Jairo Iriarte

Throws: R	Age: 25
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 AA 5-7 3.71 0 126 7 57/122 1.28	
25 AAA 3-3 7.13 1 48 9 37/50 1.92	
26 CHW 1-1 4.20 0 26 3 14/23 1.41	

Continued control problems cloud his future.

Jake Irvin

Throws: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$9 24:\$0 25:-\$27
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 WSN 3-7 4.61 0 121 20 54/99 1.42	
24 WSN 10-14 4.41 0 187.7 29 52/156 1.20	
25 WSN 9-13 5.70 0 180 38 62/124 1.43	

Luke Jackson

Throws: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$2
YR/E 21:\$6	22: 23:-\$1 24:-\$11 25:-\$3
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 SFG 2-2 2.97 0 33.3 3 15/43 1.23	
24 --- 4-3 5.09 0 53 7 26/59 1.47	
25 --- 2-5 4.06 9 51 4 28/38 1.35	

Alek Jacob

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$9
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 AAA 3-1 5.53 2 53.7 12 31/65 1.79	
25 AAA 4-2 5.27 2 27.3 4 17/39 1.48	
25 SDP 1-0 5.13 0 33.3 6 14/23 1.51	
26 SDP 1-1 4.26 0 33 5 12/29 1.29	

In short stints with the Padres in 2023 and 2024 he threw a lot of strikeouts, as he had in the minors, but in a lot more innings last year the strikeouts faded and he struggled. It looks like any more chances he gets will also be in middle relief.

Drey Jameson

Throws: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$2 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$3 24: 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 ARI 3-1 3.00 1 40.7 6 18/37 1.43	
25 AAA 0-2 7.07 0 14 4 9/22 2.21	

Kenley Jansen **\$13**

Throws: R	Age: 39
YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$17 23:\$18 24:\$15 25:\$15 2026
YR/E 21:\$22	22:\$16 23:\$7 24:\$10 25:\$16 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 BOS 3-6 3.63 29 44.7 5 17/52 1.28	
24 BOS 4-2 3.29 27 54.7 4 20/62 1.07	
25 LAA 5-4 2.59 29 59 8 19/57 0.95	
26 DET 4-3 3.54 24 60 7 21/61 1.13	

He's not the dominating force he once was, but he's settled in as a solid arm ready to close out games most of the time. It would be foolish to expect him to be able to keep doing this forever, but he's adjusted to the additional walks he's giving up and there's no reason to think he'll become ineffective this year. Though the risk for a man in his late 30s is always there, especially with two workable options behind him.

Cristian Javier **\$4**

Throws: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:\$9	22:\$7 23:\$23 24:\$8 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$29 23:\$1 24:-\$6 25:-\$5 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 HOU 10-5 4.56 0 162 25 62/159 1.27	
24 HOU 3-1 3.89 0 34.7 4 19/27 1.43	
25 HOU 2-4 4.62 0 37 3 15/34 1.27	
26 HOU 9-11 4.51 0 157 24 67/140 1.35	

Returned from 2024 TJ and made eight starts to end the season and his performance indicated he's back, though some bad LOB luck hurt his ERA. He throws a lot of fly balls and last year relatively few left the park, a sign of potential regression to the worse. He was generally hit more, a nod to a one tick decline in velocity and likely a little rustiness. In his best year, 2022, Javier was not only good but also very lucky. With his current skill set he's going to have a hard time being a strong positive fantasy force.

Griffin Jax **\$10**

Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$1 24:\$3 25:\$7 2026
YR/E 21:-\$13	22:\$5 23:\$3 24:\$19 25:-\$4 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 MIN 6-10 3.86 4 65.3 5 19/68 1.18	
24 MIN 5-5 2.03 10 71 4 15/95 0.87	
25 --- 1-7 4.23 0 66 7 21/99 1.29	
26 TBR 3-5 3.15 8 67 6 19/86 1.10	

He's been a reliable setup guy the last three years, which matters in leagues that count holds, but last year suffered some bad BABIP luck that cost him fantasy value. There was talk of him moving to the rotation this year, but the odds are he'll end up in the typically frustrating closing committee the Rays often run.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Is a closer for the Rays and as of this writing, people don't seem to realize or trust that just yet. But a 36% K% and 30% K-BB% with a 2.51 xERA and 1.00 WHIP should scream closer to you. Yes, it is the Rays, but this skill set is top 5 among relievers.

ALEX PATTON PAN: Whoever closes for the Rays, it's not going to be someone whose go-to pitch is a sweeper.

Joe Jimenez

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$1	22: 23:\$2 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:-\$5	22:\$1 23:\$3 24:\$10 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 ATL 0-3 3.00 0 56.3 9 14/73 1.16	
24 ATL 1-5 2.62 3 68.7 2 23/82 1.00	
26 ATL 1-2 3.34 1 46 4 15/53 1.13	

Missed all of 2025 after knee surgery and then had follow up surgery last November to "clean up" the same knee. He is supposed to be ready for spring training, but even if that is the plan there is too much uncertainty after two surgeries and so much missed time. Before the injury he was a first-rate setup guy with plenty of strikeouts and holds. We won't know until he does it that he'll be able to regain that form.

Jackson Jobe

Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$8

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	5-3	2.36	0	91.7	4	45/96	1.12
25	DET	4-1	4.22	0	49	7	27/39	1.49

Potential future ace had TJ in June and hopes to be pitching for the Tigers late this year, but isn't likely to be sharp. Plan for 2027 and note that his aspirations have been undercut by serious issues throwing walks.

Pierce Johnson

Throws: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:	24:\$1	25:\$1
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:	23:-\$2	24:-\$2	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-6	4.00	13	62.7	10	30/90	1.48
24	ATL	6-6	3.67	2	56.3	6	25/67	1.30
25	ATL	3-3	3.05	1	59	8	19/59	1.20
26	CIN	4-4	3.77	1	61	8	24/66	1.28

He was a fairly effective setup guy for the Braves and now moves over to the Reds. Toned down the heater a bit and threw fewer walks last year, but allowed more homers. He was helped by a high LOB% but fly balls in Cincinnati leave the yard more readily than they do in Atlanta, so he may have more trouble this year.

Ryan Johnson

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A+	4-3	1.88	0	57.3	3	10/65	0.89
26	LAA	1-1	4.70	0	24	4	8/23	1.40

Drafted in 2024 at No. 74 overall, he was a top college starter with decent command and a solid fastball-slider-cutter mix, and after a good spring the Angels added him to their opening day roster without him ever appearing in a minor league game. In his first outing he was torched by the White Sox and while he earned a save his next appearance he allowed runs in all but six of his 14 games played. He was sent down to High-A in May and worked there as a starter, pitching very effectively. Who knows what the Angels plan to do next, but Johnson shouldn't be considered fantasy worthy until he pitches successfully at the upper levels.

Seth Johnson

Throws: R Age: 28

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	2-8	2.73	0	95.7	9	50/89	1.30
25	AAA	5-5	4.75	1	60.7	4	35/67	1.54

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Ty Johnson

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	7-6	2.61	0	110.3	5	38/149	0.94
26	TBR	2-2	4.26	0	28	4	10/28	1.30

Has been adding velocity as he's worked his way through the minors and was very effective in Double-A last year relying primarily on his heater and slider. His future in the rotation probably depends on further development of a third pitch, which is a reason to check in on his progress in Triple-A this year. The way he misses bats with his two pitches looks like he could succeed in a relief role now.

Jared Jones

Throws: R Age: 25

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$10	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	PIT	6-8	4.14	0	121.7	18	39/132	1.20
26	PIT	5-6	4.02	0	92	13	30/97	1.22

He had the internal brace version of TJ in late May 2024. Claims that recovery from IB TJ run from 10-12 months seem to be on target, though some step right back into form and others take longer. About eight percent don't make it back at all. Jones made a nice splash in 2024 when healthy, putting up dominant strikeout numbers with good control, but he also suffered a lat strain that cost him time midsummer and he was susceptible to the long ball when going good and when going bad, allowing 18 homers in 121.7 innings. Injury risk is one reason not to go out on a limb for Jones, but he's going to have to show he can keep the ball in the yard to reach his substantial potential.

Ben Joyce

Throws: R Age: 26

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAA	2-0	2.08	4	34.7	1	14/33	1.17
26	LAA	2-1	3.32	3	34	3	14/34	1.23

The fireballer missed all but 4.3 innings last year, going down with shoulder inflammation. He tried rest but by May it was clear that surgery was needed to repair his labrum. If he recovers he should be in the mix for saves this year, though despite his massive fastball power he's never been a big strikeout guy in his limited big league play. There are too many question marks about his wildness, which settled down once he reached the majors, and his health, to do more than pencil him in to the high-leverage mix at this point. Revisit during spring training.

Gage Jump

Throws: L Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	9-7	3.28	0	112.7	7	34/131	1.11
26	ATH	2-2	4.54	0	28	4	10/25	1.38

Spent the majority of last year in Double-A showing decent control and a mid-90s fastball up in the zone that hitters struggled with. He's slated for Triple-A this year and will get a shot at Sutter Homer Park, unfortunately, when he passes muster at that level and the Athletics need a pitcher.

Jakob Junis

Throws: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:\$1	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$1
YR/E 21:-\$7	22:-\$6	23:\$1	24:\$13	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	4-3	3.87	1	86	12	21/96	1.29
24	---	4-0	2.69	1	67	8	8/51	0.85
25	CLE	4-1	2.97	0	66.7	5	18/55	1.24
26	---	3-2	3.62	0	65	8	16/55	1.17

Signed with the Rangers in January. He's a control maven likely to be working in middle relief.

Janson Junk

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-3	2.68	0	50.3	2	7/48	0.96
25	MIA	6-4	4.17	1	110	8	13/77	1.14
26	MIA	4-4	4.81	0	97	12	21/72	1.33

Call it slop or call it junk, JJ has 150 major league innings under his belt and is striking out 6.66 per 9 innings pitched. He's walked just 1.44, which is why he had 16 starts for the Marlins last year and might see more this year. That may be the profile of a major league pitcher but not one with reliable fantasy value.

Tommy Kahnle

Throws: R Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$2	25:-\$4

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYJ	1-3	2.66	2	40.7	5	19/48	1.11
24	NYJ	0-2	2.11	1	42.7	5	19/46	1.16
25	DET	1-5	4.43	9	63	8	31/50	1.30

Anthony Kay

Throws: L Age: 31

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
26	CHW	7-9	4.42	0	139	18	54/107	1.40

Signed a two-year deal with the White Sox after spending two years in Japan as a starter. In five major league years he made seven starts and 37 relief appearances, striking out 9.28 per 9 while walking 4.96. In Japan he struck out just 24.9 in 291.3 and walked 94 (7.7 Ks and 2.9 BBs respectively). That doesn't seem particularly promising, but Kay added a sinker and increased the velocity of his cutter while in Japan, leading to a surge in ground balls thrown, up from 30 percent in 2023 with the Cubs and Mets to 56 percent last year with Yokohama. With a less than dominant mix he's unlikely to have a big fantasy impact, but might be an effective innings eater.

Brad Keller

Throws: R Age: 31

\$3

YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$2	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:\$6	22:-\$1	23:-\$13	24:-\$12	25:\$14	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KCR	3-4	4.57	0	45.3	3	45/31	1.92
24	---	0-4	5.44	1	41.3	9	15/32	1.53
25	CHC	4-2	2.07	3	69.7	4	22/75	0.97
26	PHI	3-4	3.71	3	68	8	27/63	1.28

So, setup guy it is! After years of struggling as a starter he's found his niche, his guild, his calling. And he's a prime example of how velocity changes everything. He was up 3.5 mph on his fastball, 4.1 mph on his sinker, 1.2 mph on his slider, and 4.1 mph on his change. Assuming he's a setup guy again, as the Phillies plan to use him in the seventh, he should have real value in holds leagues.

ALEX PATTON PICK: In 40 games before the All-Star break, he had a 3.21 ERA and 1.21 WHIP; he would take that and so for sure would the Cubs. In 28 games Post All-Star he gave up a homer and essentially nothing else: 0.33 ERA, 0.58 WHIP. On the year he threw more fastballs and he threw them a lot faster -- more than three mph faster.

Player Name

Mitch Keller

\$3

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$3	23:\$4	24:\$11	25:\$5	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$5	23:\$8	24:-\$4	25:\$0	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	13-9	4.21	0	194.3	25	55/210	1.25
24	PIT	11-12	4.25	0	178	23	50/166	1.30
25	PIT	6-15	4.19	0	176.3	21	51/150	1.26
26	PIT	9-12	4.32	0	180	23	53/159	1.30

For a major league team innings matter and Keller has made nearly ever start for the last three years. His team isn't very good, which didn't help him win games last year, and he's losing velocity and getting hit a little harder, which doesn't help his fantasy value. He has little upside even at endgame prices and lots of downside if he gets a little unlucky. The Pirates are lucky to have a solid innings eater as their young bucks try to steer the ship toward victories. You don't have to be.

Kevin Kelly

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$11	25:-\$10				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	5-2	3.09	1	67	2	15/56	1.02
24	TBR	5-2	2.67	1	70.7	7	9/63	0.97
25	TBR	2-5	5.90	0	39.7	11	9/35	1.38

Merrill Kelly

\$9

Throws: R	Age: 38							
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$4	23:\$10	24:\$14	25:\$8	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:\$16	23:\$19	24:-\$1	25:\$18	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	12-8	3.00	0	177.7	20	69/187	1.19
24	ARI	5-1	4.03	0	73.7	11	19/63	1.17
25	---	12-9	3.52	0	184	23	48/167	1.11
26	ARI	12-9	4.00	0	185	25	54/165	1.23

Kelly's ups and downs are mostly about optics. A look at his year to year estimated and derived ERAs is fairly smooth and not fantasy valuable, but last year and in 2022 and 2023, his actual ERA has outperformed the others, giving him nice fantasy value because with his excellent control he doesn't allow that many baserunners. His problem comes from home runs. Get him in a year when he allows a few fewer and you have a winner, but beware the years when he allows a few more. In other words, split the difference.

Michael Kelly

Throws: R	Age: 34							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:-\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	OAK	3-2	2.59	0	31.3	2	10/22	1.19
25	ATH	4-4	3.18	2	39.7	5	19/29	1.30
26	ATH	4-4	4.12	2	60	8	25/50	1.35

Everybody in the Athletics pen is a candidate to close. Kelly doesn't dominate or possess great control but he's ready to go if the team needs him. He saved two games last year when things were desperate and seems an unlikely go to this year.

Zack Kelly

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$3	25:-\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BOS	6-3	3.97	0	56.7	10	27/61	1.26
25	AAA	1-1	5.72	3	28.3	3	20/32	1.53
25	BOS	1-3	4.58	0	35.3	3	12/35	1.34

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William Kempner

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-3	2.26	7	67.7	2	40/95	1.16
26	MIA	1-1	4.47	0	26	3	14/26	1.46

He walked a lot of guys in Double-A and even more in Triple-A.

Orion Kerkering

\$2

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$0	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	4-1	1.51	14	53.7	4	12/79	0.89
24	PHI	5-3	2.29	0	63	2	17/74	1.08
25	PHI	8-4	3.30	4	60	6	27/65	1.37
26	PHI	5-3	3.17	1	63	5	23/69	1.21

He struggled with his control early last season but apparently straightened things out at mid-season and was a dominant reliever again in the second half. He'll be behind Jose Alvarado and Brad Keller in the setup hierarchy to start the year but if he regains his second-half effectiveness he will still be valuable for fantasy in a fill-in way.

Yusei Kikuchi

\$3

Throws: L	Age: 35							
YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$6	23:\$2	24:\$6	25:\$8	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:-\$2	23:\$8	24:\$5	25:-\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	11-6	3.86	0	167.7	27	48/181	1.27
24	---	9-10	4.05	0	175.7	25	44/206	1.20
25	LAA	7-11	3.99	0	178.3	24	74/174	1.43
26	LAA	9-11	4.20	0	178	26	61/183	1.31

He had the same year, essentially, for the third year in a row, but dropped from earning a small profit to losing a bit because he struggled with his control, walking more, and allowing more contact leading to more hits. Plus, too many home runs! For five years in a row! His WHIP spiked and his Wins dropped and he became a fantasy loser. With velocity rates down on all his pitches you have to worry that age and/or injury is slowing him down. He made all his starts last year but did come out of his final start in the season with a forearm cramp, and his velocity declined most in the second half when he struck out fewer and allowed more homers per 9. Maybe a winter of conditioning will get him back on track, but he's a fair risk to implode this year without fantasy upside..

Bryan King

\$2

Throws: L	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	HOU	1-0	2.39	0	26.3	1	10/32	1.15
25	HOU	5-4	2.78	2	68	10	11/69	1.04
26	HOU	3-2	3.35	1	67	8	20/68	1.17

Had the most holds of anyone named Bryan in baseball, two ahead of teammate Bryan Abreu. There should be a similar race this year in the Astros pen.

John King

Throws: L	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$0	22:-\$3	23:-\$5	24:\$2	25:-\$12				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-1	4.00	0	37.3	2	10/20	1.48
24	STL	3-3	2.85	0	60	5	14/38	1.20
25	STL	2-1	4.66	0	48.3	8	14/28	1.64

Michael King

\$14

Throws: R	Age: 31							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$15	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:\$6	23:\$15	24:\$18	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYG	4-8	2.75	6	104.7	10	32/127	1.15
24	SDP	13-9	2.95	0	173.7	17	63/201	1.20
25	SDP	5-3	3.44	0	73.3	12	26/76	1.20
26	SDP	12-9	3.52	0	176	22	62/187	1.21

His terrific stuff, especially dominating change up-sinker combo, gives him elite potential, as he showed in 2024. But last year he made only 15 starts because of a nerve impingement that landed him on the 60-day IL and a knee injury that shelved him for 15 days in September. Before the injury he was sharp and dominant but struggled after he returned in August, striking out 6.1, walking 4.6, and allowing 3.1 homers per 9. He missed time in 2022 with a fractured arm caused by throwing a pitch. He's got a lot of throwing in since, but the threat of more injuries has to be a concern. The draw is his ability to strike hitters out. If he's healthy through spring training his price will go up.

Tyler Kinley

Throws: R	Age: 35							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:-\$5	22:	23:	24:-\$13	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	COL	6-1	6.19	12	64	11	33/72	1.47
25	---	6-3	3.96	3	72.7	6	33/73	1.19
26	---	3-2	4.45	3	63	8	28/66	1.30

In his time with the Braves last season, after a trade from the Rockies at the deadline, he dramatically changed his profile, letting up on the heat and throwing more sliders. He cut his walk rate in half and helped by a very low BABIP had a strikingly low ERA. His xERA of 2.71 more properly reflects his success. The Braves declined to exercise their significant option but then signed him in January, saving a bit more than \$1M. Chump change. He'll be setting up the setup guys until someone gets hurt and could be a source of holds.

George Kirby

\$20

Throws: R	Age: 28							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$17	24:\$27	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$5	23:\$29	24:\$22	25:\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	13-10	3.35	0	190.7	22	19/172	1.04
24	SEA	14-11	3.53	0	191	22	23/179	1.07
25	SEA	10-8	4.21	0	126	15	29/137	1.19
26	SEA	13-10	3.64	0	178	21	32/175	1.11

Shoulder inflammation delayed his season debut until late May, but from then on out he made every start. He struggled with his usually precise control until September, when he walked just 1.16 per 9 while striking out 13.11. That control is the foundation of his success. Last year he walked three in a game five times, while in 33 starts in 2024 he didn't walk three in a game a single time. Given his strong finish and excellent history let's chalk up his struggles last year to his early season injury. His strong September finish should be a harbinger of continued success, especially when pitching in Seattle.

DAVE ADLER PICK: First half ERA indicates that perhaps he wasn't over the shoulder strain that shelved him at the start of the year. But his underlying skills remained as strong as in previous years. Expect a rebound.

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: A career best SwStk% and strikeout rate paired with an ERA over 4.00 was quite the unwelcome surprise. A near lock for a rebound.

Andrew Kittredge

\$4

Throws: R Age: 36

YR/C 21: 22:\$12 23: 24:\$1 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$17 22: 23: 24:\$6 25:\$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	STL	5-5	2.80	1	70.7	10	20/67	1.14
25	---	4-3	3.40	5	53	7	11/64	0.98
26	BAL	5-4	3.50	6	67	9	19/68	1.16

Has leaned into the slider more the last two years and has been better able to punch hitters out. As the setup guy behind Ryan Helsley, who struggled after his trade to the Mets last year at the trading deadline, he has to be considered a prime closer in waiting, despite a weakness for the long ball.

George Klassen

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-12	5.22	0	108.7	8	47/134	1.47
26	LAA	1-1	4.17	0	25	3	11/25	1.34

He's got three terrific pitches that rock and roll and are not always near enough to be strikes. He did better last year and will likely start the season in Triple-A trying to gain workable command and control. When he gets there he will have a chance to be a solid major league starter with good strikeout punch.

Will Klein

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	2-2	3.77	9	43	5	32/43	1.47
25	AAA	3-3	6.14	4	44	4	36/76	1.75

TM:LAD

Adam Kloffenstein

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-5	4.74	0	89.3	13	41/73	1.33
25	AAA	2-9	5.66	1	90.7	20	46/103	1.60

Released after he returned from a gambling suspension, he didn't sign elsewhere in 2025. Talented but had a terrible 2023 and has hardly pitched since. Take the under.

Landon Knack

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:\$3 25:\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAD	3-5	3.65	1	69	14	18/69	1.10
25	AAA	6-6	6.66	0	102.7	15	55/94	1.57
25	LAD	3-2	4.89	1	42.3	10	19/42	1.40
26	LAD	1-1	4.43	0	23	5	8/22	1.27

When you throw a lot of fly balls and a lot of them leave the yard you end up with bad results. In his rookie year Knack allowed a lot of homers, too, but he cut his walks and limited the damage. Last year, the walks went up and so did the homers and you could say Knack lost the knack, and how to use it. Which was a pretty cringey movie, by the way. He's in the mix if Dodger starters get hurt, but so are a lot of other guys, so unless those injuries come early it's no knock to say he can be safely ignored on auction/draft day.

Jack Kochanowicz

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$3 25:-\$40

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAA	2-6	3.99	0	65.3	7	10/25	1.20
25	LAA	3-11	6.81	0	111	21	58/72	1.75

Jared Koenig

\$2

Throws: L Age: 32

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21: 22:-\$9 23: 24:\$5 25:\$5 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	6-4	3.81	7	59	8	29/70	1.70
24	MIL	9-4	2.47	1	62	4	23/63	1.24
25	MIL	6-1	2.86	2	66	6	20/68	1.17
26	MIL	4-2	3.17	1	65	6	23/66	1.21

Made his way up through non-affiliated ball and Australian baseball before signing a contract with the Athletics in 2021. Now with the Brewers he's turned into an excellent setup guy in the Brewers pen. Not a big enough strikeout guy to covet, he's got the hold world in his hand.

Stephen Kolek

\$1

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$12 25:\$7 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SDP	3-0	5.21	0	46.7	4	12/39	1.54
25	AAA	2-3	6.26	0	46	6	15/41	1.80
25	---	5-7	3.51	0	112.7	9	31/77	1.15
26	KCR	3-3	4.21	0	80	8	23/58	1.32

The drop in velocity from 2024 to 2025 is the switch from relieving to starting, as he did last year. As you'd expect, strikeouts became more scarce but his fine control persisted and he induced a load of grounders. His fantasy earnings are built on a decent WHIP and good ERA but the ERA estimators say his should have been a fair amount higher, which wipes out his fantasy value. Fantasy teams need cheap pitchers who get better results than their skills suggest, and Kolek may do that again. But so may other equally talented but not dominating arms who help their real baseball teams but are fantasy borderline. So, pay the minimum and roll the dice.

Michael Kopech

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21: 22:\$11 23:\$8 24:\$5 25:\$2
YR/E 21:\$3 22:\$2 23:-\$21 24:\$7 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHW	5-12	5.43	0	129.3	29	91/134	1.59
24	---	6-8	3.46	15	67.7	9	34/88	1.16
26	---	2-3	3.93	3	47	6	28/53	1.35

Knockout stuff meets knockdown control. With injuries. Lots of potential for value and as much potential for mess. Plus IL time at any time.

Dean Kremer

\$2

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:\$2 22: 23:\$2 24:\$4 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:-\$10 22:\$3 23:\$4 24:-\$1 25:\$3 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	13-5	4.12	0	172.7	27	55/157	1.31
24	BAL	8-10	4.10	0	129.7	18	51/123	1.25
25	BAL	11-10	4.19	0	171.7	22	45/142	1.21
26	BAL	10-10	4.35	0	155	23	49/133	1.28

Consummate back of the rotation hurler had his best season last year though it doesn't represent a breakout or all that much different than all his other years. He relies on an effec-

tive combo of cutter, splitter, and sinker to keep hitters off balance, but they tend to make a fair amount of contact. You would think he'd induce a lot of ground balls but hitters spray the ball, with an unfortunate number of fly balls going over the fence. It would be very surprising if he had a season of high fantasy value, expect a bottom of the barrel starter for fantasy purposes in deep leagues.

Ben Kudrna

Throws: R Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-8	5.30	0	105.3	10	50/106	1.45

TM:KCR

Carlos Lagrange

Throws: R Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	11-8	3.53	0	120	8	62/168	1.20

Throws in the upper 90s but his struggles to throw strikes continue after an apparent breakthrough in High-A last year. He's young but is likely to start this year in Double-A and until he figures out how to walk fewer batters he'll be stuck in the minors.

Ryan Lambert

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	2-1	1.62	7	50	1	27/81	1.16
26	NYM	1-1	3.83	0	22	3	11/25	1.33

Future reliever spent last year in Double-A getting punchouts but walking too many hitters.

Alex Lange

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21: 22: 23:\$10 24:\$11 25:
YR/E 21:-\$3 22:-\$2 23:\$8 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	7-5	3.68	26	66	6	45/79	1.33
25	AAA	2-1	4.62	0	25.3	2	14/32	1.20

Andry Lara

Throws: R Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-9	7.55	0	56	5	31/41	1.88

TM:WSN

Jacob Latz

\$1

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$8 25:\$5 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TEX	2-3	3.71	0	43.7	6	27/40	1.53
25	TEX	2-0	2.84	1	85.7	7	37/76	1.24
26	TEX	5-5	3.92	0	130	16	61/120	1.35

After the eight starts he made last season he now has nine career starts out of 83 major league appearances. He was effective both as a starter and a reliever last year though not overpowering, striking out 7.71 as a starter. But he walked fewer starting, too, an okay 3.4 per 9, which may be why the Rangers have him at the back of their rotation heading into spring training. In deep fantasy leagues there are reasons to take any pitcher with a starting job in the end game, even the most pitch-to-contact starter can reel off a string of decent games, but they should be on a very short leash. Latz walks enough hitters it wouldn't take much to swing last year's positive results into the negative.

Player Name

Eric Lauer

Throws: L		Age: 31						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$11				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	TOR	9-2	3.18	0	104.7	15	26/102	1.11
26	TOR	4-2	4.04	0	57	10	18/54	1.24

After spending time in the KBO in 2024 he returned to Toronto and after starting the season in Triple-A he was recalled late in April and worked in long relief. He made a couple of starts in May, swinging between roles making three and four inning appearances, then moved into the rotation in June, where he stayed until the end of August. He finished the season in the pen. He was much more effective out of the pen by keeping the ball in the park. He's likely to work as a reliever this season unless the injuries in Toronto mount up.

Nate Lavender

Throws: L		Age: 26						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
26	NYM	1-1	3.79	0	12	2	5/13	1.28

Missed all of last season after 2024 TJ and bone spur surgery last summer cut 2025 short. He will battle for a bullpen job this spring.

Justin Lawrence

Throws: R		Age: 32		\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$5	23:\$2	24:\$24	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	COL	4-7	3.72	11	75	5	36/78	1.35
24	COL	4-4	6.49	2	59.7	9	33/45	1.79
26	PIT	3-2	4.21	1	58	6	27/55	1.41

Spent most of last season on the IL with inflammation, but pitched 11.3 relief innings in April and 6.3 in September, striking out 33.3 percent and walking 11.6 percent. Most of his control issues were against lefties. He's scheduled to work in middle relief but is the likely reliever to step up in leverage if someone gets hurt or struggles.

Max Lazar

Throws: R		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-3	1.87	13	43.3	1	10/56	0.85
25	PHI	1-1	4.79	1	41.3	7	12/26	1.29

Kyle Leahy

Throws: L		Age: 29		\$2				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:\$5	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	5-4	6.26	0	83.3	15	39/92	1.72
24	STL	1-1	4.07	1	48.7	4	10/33	1.04
25	STL	4-2	3.07	1	88	5	28/80	1.23
26	STL	4-5	4.46	0	128	15	50/106	1.38

Pitching in relief last season he was effective and consistent and got stronger as the season progressed, striking out nearly 10 per 9 after the all star break while walking just 2.56. That has him in the Cardinals plans for the rotation, a role they had him give up in the 2023 season, but it wasn't until 2024 he finally found the strikezone and became effective. In relief. He's got the arsenal to make the move, featuring his four seamer, slider and curve, plus an effective sinker he added last year, and a changeup.

The former 17th rounder from 2018 should be

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off most people's radar but has a fair chance of being a pleasant surprise if his good stuff scales.

Jordan Leasure

Throws: R		Age: 28		\$5				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$13	25:\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHW	0-2	6.32	2	31.3	6	18/26	1.61
25	CHW	5-6	3.92	7	64.3	12	30/81	1.23
26	CHW	3-4	4.28	11	66	10	30/72	1.30

He was touted as the possible White Sox closer before last season and he did in fact lead the team in saves, but the team as a whole had but 25 saves and Leasure's just offset his bad qualitative stats in terms of fantasy value. He may end up closing at some point this season, but both Grant Taylor and Brandon Eisert seem better suited unless Leasure walks fewer hitters. Track this come spring, though the White Sox are again unlikely to end up with too many save situations.

Jose Leclerc

Throws: R		Age: 33						
YR/C 21:\$5	22:	23:\$11	24:\$12	25:\$2				
YR/E 21:	22:\$1	23:\$5	24:\$5	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	0-2	2.68	4	57	5	28/67	1.14
24	TEX	6-5	4.32	1	66.7	7	32/89	1.33
26	---	2-2	4.25	0	44	6	20/49	1.34

Had July shoulder surgery and missed the rest of the season. Recovery can take as long as a year, so check his progress during camp.

Chase Lee

Throws: R		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-1	6.47	1	32	4	10/38	1.25
25	DET	4-1	4.10	0	37.3	7	9/36	1.11
26	TOR	1-1	3.99	0	25	4	7/24	1.20

For what it's worth, his chase rate last year was not good. He was called on mostly in low-leverage situations, earned four holds, but his slider/sweeper was pummeled for a .778 slugging percentage, yet he threw it 34.8 percent of the time. Maybe he'll change things up, especially since his change was effective, but until he does that he's all potential and no fantasy value.

Dylan Lee

Throws: L		Age: 32		\$4				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:	24:\$7	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	ATL	4-2	2.11	0	59.7	7	17/76	1.11
25	ATL	2-4	3.29	2	68.3	13	14/76	0.98
26	ATL	3-3	3.27	2	65	9	18/73	1.12

He was a very effective setup guy last summer when he wasn't allowing homers, but he allowed way too many homers. He allows a fair number of fly balls and though he induces a lot of weak contact he's vulnerable. He throws enough strikeouts to be useful in a fantasy bullpen, but is probably the third in line for saves in Atlanta this year.

Casey Legumina

Throws: R		Age: 29						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$11				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	2-1	4.68	0	32.7	3	13/40	1.62
24	AAA	6-2	3.24	0	58.3	8	18/57	1.10
25	SEA	4-6	5.62	0	49.7	7	25/55	1.46
26	SEA	2-2	4.63	0	50	7	20/48	1.35

Middle relievers with janky control and a penchant for allowing the longball are legion, and of only cautionary fantasy value.

Mark Leiter Jr.

Throws: R		Age: 35		\$2				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	1-3	3.50	4	64.3	7	24/77	1.12
24	---	4-5	4.50	0	58	8	22/86	1.33
25	NYG	6-7	4.84	2	48.3	5	17/54	1.54
26	ATH	3-4	4.37	3	64	8	24/72	1.35

Was a powerful presence in the Yankees bullpen last year, but a super high BABIP and very low LOB% messed up his ERA and WHIP and crushed his fantasy value. He'll be in the mix for saves in Sacramento this year. He's got some swing and miss going but has always been hittable even when he wasn't unlucky.

Jack Leiter

Throws: R		Age: 26		\$6				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$22	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TEX	0-3	8.83	0	35.7	7	17/31	1.73
25	TEX	10-10	3.86	0	151.7	18	67/148	1.28
26	TEX	9-11	4.46	0	162	23	68/156	1.31

Drafted No. 2 overall out of Vanderbilt in 2022, the highly-pedigreed Leiter was expected to advance to the majors quickly, but he struggled with his control. He did get a cup in 2024, but walked too many, allowed too many homers and ended up with a xERA of 6.23. His actual ERA was destroyed by a 46.1 percent LOB%. Last year he made 29 starts and improved across the board, but he allowed 44.5 percent fly balls and benefited from a somewhat low HR/FB rate. His xERA of 4.46 would have knocked his roto value into the negative and probably better reflects his effectiveness. He's still a work in progress, his upside potentially huge but his risk of failing substantial because of the bases on balls and struggles to find his swing and miss.

Matthew Liberatore

Throws: L		Age: 27		\$4				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$5	23:\$10	24:\$5	25:\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	3-6	5.25	0	61.7	5	25/46	1.48
24	STL	3-4	4.40	0	86	11	28/76	1.27
25	STL	8-12	4.21	0	151.7	19	40/122	1.31
26	STL	8-10	4.47	0	157	20	48/128	1.33

Shifted from 2024's hybrid role to full-time starting last year and lost a click of velocity, as you'd expect, and as the season progressed the Cardinals limited his workload, skipping starts and pulling him early in games. From July 1 on he had a 5.01 ERA striking out 6.98 per 9, walking 3.49 and allowing 1.82 homers, evidence perhaps that he was wearing down. He was much sharper in the first half, earning

\$10 roto on June 30th. If he can keep that up for a full season he'll have fantasy value.

Zack Littell

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$2 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$7 23:\$2 24:\$5 25:\$15 Bid Price
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	--- 3-6 4.00 0 90 13 12/74 1.18
24	TBR 8-10 3.63 0 156.3 22 31/141 1.25
25	--- 10-8 3.81 0 186.7 36 32/130 1.11
26	--- 10-11 4.18 0 177 30 35/137 1.21

Ranked fifth among the qualified in lowest strikeout rate but only Tarik Skubal had a better walk rate. The payoff was a career year for fantasy, though his 2024 season earned more WAR on FanGraphs. Though he allowed a Blylevenesque 36 homers he walked so few that his lucky low ERA was bettered by an excellent WHIP. Littell has shown himself to be an endgame pitcher well worth rostering for cheap, but it would be a mistake to see his performance as a new level of achievement.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Say your eight fantasy pitchers have 820 IP with a 5.00 ERA and 1.30 WHIP. Add Littell's 79 earned runs and 206 baserunners in 186.7 IP. Your team ERA drops by 0.22 points, and your WHIP by .04. Pretty decent for a 30th-round SP.

Brendon Little

Throws: L	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$5 25:\$0
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24	TOR 1-2 3.74 1 45.7 7 19/36 1.33
25	TOR 4-2 3.03 1 68.3 2 45/91 1.37
26	TOR 2-2 3.38 0 54 4 28/58 1.33

File under highly fungible reliever, though he managed to survive a lot of walks last year because fly balls did not leave the yard. That might not happen again.

Nick Lodolo

\$11

Throws: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22:\$2 23:\$14 24:\$5 25:\$9 2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1 23:-\$13 24:-\$3 25:\$18 Bid Price
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	CIN 2-1 6.29 0 34.3 10 10/47 1.75
24	CIN 9-6 4.76 0 115.3 13 37/122 1.20
25	CIN 9-8 3.33 0 156.7 22 31/156 1.08
26	CIN 10-9 4.10 0 154 22 41/159 1.20

He missed most of August with a blister on his left index finger and struggled when he returned, but aided by good BABIP luck and a helpful strand rate Lodolo put up a helpful fantasy season despite allowing too many homers. With an xERA of 3.66, Lodolo outperformed his skills, especially since he allowed more homers than you'd like to see. That's at least in part because his home park is the best in baseball for homers and 14 of this 22 dingers were hit at Great American. But that's the ballpark he's been dealt, so it wouldn't be fair not to take that into consideration this year. His metier is his control, which was excellent last year. In the past he's been better than he was last year keeping the ball on the ground, despite throwing more sinkers and fewer four seamers. As long as he's vulnerable to the home run he'll be a borderline fantasy pitcher, potentially helpful but also at risk.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: The Great American Ballpark is going to tamp down any Reds

pitchers' value, but Lodolo took another step forward last year and at his best was an electrifying arm who learned to trust his stuff even more in 2025. I don't know if there is another gear, but the projections are going to bend over backwards to ignore the gains Lodolo made and provide a buying opportunity for a pitcher who has the potential to be a solid No. 2, both for the Reds and in fantasy.

Jacob Lopez

\$1

Throws: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$1 Bid Price
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	AA 4-5 2.68 0 107.3 9 56/132 1.19
24	AAA 4-7 4.26 0 88.7 12 45/106 1.31
25	AAA 3-0 2.33 0 27 2 8/38 0.89
25	ATH 7-7 4.08 0 92.7 15 37/113 1.28
26	ATH 8-9 4.33 0 136 20 55/140 1.29

As a prospect, long ago, his best weapon was his control, followed by his slider. In 2023 and 2024 he saw brief stints for the Rays in the majors, but more notably he struggled with his control in Triple-A. Last year, after being something of a throw in a trade to Oakland, he got off to a good start in Triple-A hellhole Las Vegas, was promoted to Sacramento and he took off, sort of. He was strong against lefties and he was strong at home, but he struggled against righties and on the road. Statcast says his only positive value pitch was the slider, and with all the walks bumping up his WHIP he ended up just a bit underwater fantasy value-wise. He allowed 14 homers against righties, just one against lefties, on the way to a damaging 1.46 allowed per 9. Lopez threw plenty of strikeouts, which helped him limit the damage, but unless he finds a way to keep more of all the fly balls he allows in front of the wall he's going to have trouble holding onto his spot in the rotation.

Jorge Lopez

Throws: R	Age: 33
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23:\$6 24: 25:\$2
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$11 23:-\$11 24:\$2 25:-\$7
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	--- 6-2 6.00 3 59 12 22/49 1.51
24	--- 2-3 2.89 4 53 6 19/50 1.23
25	WSN 6-0 6.57 1 24.7 1 7/17 1.32

Pablo Lopez

\$13

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:\$14	22:\$15 23:\$13 24:\$26 25:\$17 2026
YR/E 21:\$9	22:\$8 23:\$19 24:\$7 25:\$8 Bid Price
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	MIN 11-8 3.66 0 194 24 48/234 1.16
24	MIN 15-10 4.08 0 185.3 26 41/198 1.19
25	MIN 5-4 2.74 0 75.7 6 20/73 1.12
26	MIN 12-10 3.76 0 182 22 46/184 1.19

His season ended early with a forearm strain, but his fantasy value cratered earlier when he landed on the IL for two months with a strained muscle in his shoulder. When he was able to take the mound he performed similarly to the three previous seasons, in each of which he made 32 starts. He's healthy in the offseason and expected to be fully ready for spring training. His primary vulnerability is the long ball, though he tends toward being a ground ball pitcher, and his ERA success last year was due to an unusually low HR/FB rate. He's likely to allow more homers in the coming year.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Limited by injuries most of the year – but when he did pitch, his skills were consistent with years past. If you're willing to take the injury risk, he could present a solid profit.

MIKE GIANELLA PICK: Lopez was a lurking ace heading into 2024 who stumbled somewhat and then saw his season last year dramatically shortened by a forearm injury. Twins president Derek Falvey says Lopez is fully healthy heading into 2026 and while you can and should take that with a grain of salt the market is being too skittish about a pitcher who isn't that far removed from being a borderline ace.

Reynaldo Lopez

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:	22:\$2 23:\$5 24:\$3 25:\$12 2026
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$7 23:\$4 24:\$25 25: Bid Price
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	--- 3-7 3.00 6 66 8 34/83 1.27
24	ATL 8-5 1.99 0 135.7 10 42/148 1.11
26	ATL 6-6 3.62 0 136 16 48/134 1.28

He struggled through spring training and one start, then hit the IL for arthroscopic surgery on his shoulder. This followed a somewhat successful return to the rotation for him in 2024, though that season ended early with shoulder tightness and an inflamed forearm. Lopez was throwing again by the end of the season and the Braves plan for him to rejoin the rotation. His success in 2024 was the result of some good fortune, lucky fantasy players benefited big time, but he's always been a solid if not spectacular starter, if a less than durable one. He merits a small bid with the hope he gets hot for a spell.

Brad Lord

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:-\$5
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24	AAA 10-4 2.43 0 129.7 8 49/135 1.20
25	WSN 5-10 4.34 0 130.7 17 43/108 1.30
26	WSN 6-10 4.41 0 155 20 54/122 1.34

He proved to be a perfectly good and hittable ground ball pitcher once he reached the majors last year, with decent control but a bit too easy to hit. He was much more effective the first time through the order and in relief than he was deep in his starts, with a decided vulnerability to the long ball the second and third time through. Maybe he'll figure out a way to fix that, or maybe he'll be moved into a role he's better suited to. He doesn't have enough strikeout power to wait for.

Michael Lorenzen

Throws: R	Age: 34
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$1 23:\$2 24:\$1 25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$7	22:-\$4 23:\$6 24:\$6 25:-\$8
YR	TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23	--- 9-9 4.00 1 153 20 47/111 1.21
24	--- 7-6 3.31 0 130.3 17 60/97 1.24
25	KCR 7-11 4.64 0 141.7 25 39/127 1.33
26	COL 6-9 4.75 0 149 23 56/119 1.39

He's signed with the Rockies for a pretty penny, though not given what reliable starters get paid these days. He's a wily veteran who converted from relief to starting in 2022 and turned a roto profit in 2023 and 2024 because of good luck stats. Last year he pitched "better," striking out

Player Name

more and walking fewer, but he also allowed an untenable number of homers. He was an endgame possibility pitching someplace else, but in Colorado we should all stay away.

Austin Love

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	6-1	2.41	2	56	3	26/63	1.05

Richard Lovelady

Throws: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$5	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	---	3-6	4.46	2	34.3	3	11/26	1.32
25	AAA	0-1	1.66	8	38	4	13/40	1.05

Rhett Lowder

Throws: R Age: 24

\$4

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CIN	2-2	1.17	0	30.7	0	14/22	1.29
26	CIN	3-4	3.98	0	88	10	31/70	1.32

He strained to stay in games last year, missing most of the season with forearm and oblique strains. He pitched in the Arizona Fall League with mixed results but he was throwing harder than he did in his brief major league debut in 2024, with it's ridiculously low ERA, and is expected to be in the Reds rotation this year. He struggled with his control during his time in the majors in 2024 but that wasn't a problem in the minors coming up. His sinker-slider combo misses bats and is complemented by a hard four-seamer and a decent change. He comes with pedigree, he was a first-round pick in 2023 (No. 7 overall) out of Wake Forest, and may come at a big discount based on his 2024 performance and last year's injuries.

Joey Lucchesi

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:	25:-\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYM	4-0	2.89	0	46.7	4	17/32	1.31
24	AAA	5-7	4.70	0	115	14	56/86	1.48
25	AAA	2-1	3.23	0	30.7	4	8/31	0.99
25	SFG	0-1	3.76	0	38.3	4	12/31	1.23

Seth Lugo

Throws: R Age: 37

\$3

YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:\$2	24:\$4	25:\$13	2026
YR/E 21:\$3	22:-\$1	23:\$11	24:\$29	25:-\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	8-7	3.57	0	146.3	19	36/140	1.20
24	KCR	16-9	3.00	0	206.7	16	48/181	1.09
25	KCR	8-7	4.15	0	145.3	27	55/125	1.30
26	KCR	10-9	4.02	0	161	22	50/138	1.26

It was reasonable to expect that Lugo would not match his 2024 innings last year and that he would not post such glittery qualitatives, and he met those expectations. It would also not be reasonable to expect that he would have the worst season of his career, but he arguably did. He missed a couple of weeks in May with an inflamed finger and his season ended in early September with a back strain, but what was most notable was his okay first half and abrupt decline following the signing of a two-year contract extension in late July. When Lugo signed the extension he had a 2.95 ERA and 1.09 WHIP,

similar to his fine 2024 season, but the underlying numbers were grittier. He'd allowed 17 homers in 113 innings and was helped an 85.3 percent LOB%, so his FIP/xFIP were 4.32/4.18. But then he really did fall apart. The rest of the way he allowed 10 homers in 32.3 innings, with an 8.35 ERA. As good as his luck had been, in this last stretch the luck was very bad. In a way his bad back was a mercy since it ended the pain. Since returning to starting in 2023 Lugo has shown okay control, very modest punch out ability, and a tendency to allow more homers than you'd like. He's been dependent on good BABIP luck for his success and while that could happen again you shouldn't count on it.

Jesus Luzardo

Throws: L Age: 29

\$10

YR/C 21:\$17	22:\$5	23:\$14	24:\$18	25:\$7	2026
YR/E 21:-\$6	22:\$8	23:\$14	24:-\$8	25:\$8	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	10-10	3.58	0	178.7	22	55/208	1.21
24	MIA	3-6	5.00	0	66.7	9	22/58	1.25
25	PHI	15-7	3.92	0	183.7	16	57/216	1.22
26	PHI	12-10	3.89	0	181	21	57/199	1.21

The injuries that wrecked his 2024 season passed and he was able to make another full slate of starts last year. The results were similar to 2023. He throws strikeouts and has okay control, but allows a lot of hits and struggles against lefties while dominating righties. With a strong team last year he won a lot of games, and is effective enough that could happen again, but unless he develops a tool to handle righties he's going to struggle to take the next step up.

Daniel Lynch IV

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$1	24:	25:
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:\$1	23:-\$4	24:\$2	25:-\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KCR	3-4	4.64	0	52.3	9	16/34	1.26
24	KCR	2-0	3.32	1	43.3	6	14/39	1.00
25	KCR	6-2	3.06	1	67.7	8	26/45	1.37
26	KCR	3-2	3.85	1	59	7	20/45	1.28

Benefitted from a high LOB% last year and the resultant low ERA, giving him a hint of value that was a mirage. His xERA of 4.57 is a better reflection of his actual performance.

Adam Macko

Throws: L Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-9	4.76	0	81.3	6	39/91	1.41

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Ty Madden

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$7	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	DET	1-1	4.30	0	23	2	8/17	1.43
26	DET	1-1	4.28	0	27	3	10/23	1.33

Missed 2025 with a rotator cuff strain.

Tyler Mahle

Throws: R Age: 32

\$2

YR/C 21:\$10	22:\$13	23:\$7	24:	25:\$1	2026
YR/E 21:\$10	22:-\$4	23:-\$1	24:	25:\$12	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	1-2	3.16	0	25.7	5	5/28	1.05
25	TEX	6-4	2.18	0	86.7	5	29/66	1.14
26	SFG	8-9	3.94	0	148	17	47/121	1.27

Shoulder issues led to multiple IL trips in 2022 and were followed by 2023 TJ. He made it back for a moment in 2024 and started last season on fire until shoulder soreness laid him low in June. He didn't return until September, when he pitched well in limited action. Despite his limited playing time he was a nice earner for fantasy teams when he played, though his once vaunted ability to miss bats vanished early in the season. Still, that valuable ERA is the product of a somewhat low BABIP, a fairly high LOB%, and a low HR/FB percentage. His xERA of 4.27 would have crushed his earnings. His inability to stay healthy crushes his price, which makes him a worthy play in the endgame.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: A sub-20% strikeout rate to go along with one of the largest SIERA and Statcast xERA over performances. Without a rebound in velocity driving a strikeout rate back into the mid-20% range, he's an easy bust call.

Sean Manaea

Throws: L Age: 34

\$4

YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$16	23:\$9	24:\$5	25:\$9	2026
YR/E 21:\$8	22:-\$9	23:\$1	24:\$20	25:-\$8	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	7-6	4.44	1	117.7	14	42/128	1.24
24	NYM	12-6	3.47	0	181.7	21	63/184	1.09
25	NYM	2-4	5.64	0	60.7	13	12/75	1.23
26	NYM	9-8	4.11	0	149	22	48/156	1.19

His season never really got started. He went down with an oblique strain early in camp and was out until June, when pieces of bone in his elbow started bothering him. He had a cortisone shot and eventually got back into a game in mid July. He deviated from the pitch mix he'd had success with in the first year of his Mets contract, relying much more on a fastball-slider combo. He got some more swinging strikes and strikeouts with fewer walks, but he allowed homers at a higher rate than in any other year. Some of that was probably bad luck on fly balls, but he was also hit harder than he had been since his Oakland days. Consider his xERA of 3.94 a better idea of how he pitched. In the offseason he said that he didn't need surgery having put the elbow injury behind him. That makes him an injury risk this year, and maybe one with diminished capabilities. In other words, an endgame play.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: 2025 season sabotaged by high hit rate and low strand rate. Good chance 2026 will be closer to 2024 than 2025.

Alek Manoah

Throws: R Age: 28

\$2

YR/C 21:	22:\$19	23:\$24	24:\$3	25:	2026
YR/E 21:\$14	22:\$40	23:-\$23	24:-\$2	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	3-9	5.87	0	87.3	15	59/79	1.74
24	TOR	1-2	3.70	0	24.3	5	8/26	1.04
25	AAA	1-1	3.96	0	38.7	6	23/35	1.54
26	LAA	5-8	4.68	0	108	17	46/95	1.36

He's back, maybe. He had internal brace TJ in mid 2024 and was back pitching in the minors in July last year. In five Triple-A starts he pitched 24.3 innings, struck out 26 and walked eight while allowing five home runs. Not bad but not totally convincing. He signed with the Angels in the offseason and will have a chance to gain their rotation this year, maybe with some innings or pitch limits. He can pitch, but his big

2022 season was driven in part by the good luck indicators all pushing gently in the right direction. Since then he's been cursed, but mostly the victim of ineffectiveness and injury. He was more effective last year in his Triple-A trial, and while not out of the woods it's a reason to hope while taking a flyer on him.

Ron Marinaccio

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:\$2	24:\$4	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NY	4-5	3.99	2	47.3	6	27/56	1.31
24	NY	1-0	3.86	0	23.3	4	10/25	1.21
25	AA	6-0	5.05	6	46.3	7	21/51	1.50

Alec Marsh

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$14	24:\$4	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KCR	3-9	5.69	0	74.3	16	39/85	1.56
24	KCR	9-9	4.53	0	129	19	39/123	1.26

Missed all of 2025 and then had shoulder surgery that will cause him to miss all of 2026.

Chris Martin

Throws: R Age: 40

YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$2	23:\$2	24:\$2	25:\$10				
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$4	23:\$11	24:\$0	25:\$0				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	4-1	1.05	3	51.3	2	8/46	1.03
24	BOS	3-1	3.45	2	44.3	5	3/50	1.13
25	TEX	2-6	2.98	2	42.3	6	8/43	1.21

Davis Martin

Throws: R Age: 29 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$8	23:	24:\$9	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHW	0-5	4.32	0	50	5	23/47	1.46
25	CHW	7-10	4.10	0	142.7	20	48/104	1.29
26	CHW	7-12	4.55	0	159	22	58/124	1.38

The White Sox ran him out there 25 times and he had nine quality starts, which isn't a great ratio, but means he kept them in the game more than a third of the time. If a fantasy owner could figure out which third they'd have something. For Martin the quality starts came vs. Seattle, @Cincinnati, vs. San Diego, @Minnesota, @Kansas City, vs. Kansas City, vs. Texas, vs. Boston, and vs. Angels. He also had a relief game in which he went six scoreless innings against the Athletics. He doesn't strike out many and had an xERA of 5.13, which should be a caution. Still, if you have to pitch him he'll be fine some of the time.

Justin Martinez

Throws: R Age: 25

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$12				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	2-1	4.20	9	49.3	3	48/67	1.64
24	ARI	5-6	2.48	8	72.7	2	36/91	1.32
26	ARI	2-2	3.21	2	30	2	16/36	1.30

Had his second TJ last summer and might be back after July 1st or so. But don't count on it.

Nick Martinez

Throws: R Age: 36 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:\$3	24:\$2	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:\$6	24:\$20	25:\$0	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	6-4	3.43	1	110.3	12	40/106	1.26
24	CIN	10-7	3.10	0	142.3	13	18/116	1.03
25	CIN	11-14	4.45	0	165.7	22	42/116	1.21
26	---	10-10	4.16	0	155	20	38/118	1.22

This consummate swingman is not a swing and miss man, but with good control he can contribute to a major league team when he doesn't allow too many homers. Last year he allowed a few too many and scotched his fantasy value, but if you were into him for the wins he delivered.

Quinn Mathews

Throws: L Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	4-7	3.73	0	99	6	74/115	1.55
26	STL	3-3	4.21	0	46	5	21/42	1.39

The stuff is good, the control not so much. Is this a matter of nerves, worrying he'll be hit in Triple-A when he wasn't in the lower levels? Consider him in the endgame or reserve rounds as a flier. If he figures out how to do it success could come at any time.

Phil Maton

Throws: R Age: 33 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$5	23:\$6	24:\$2	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	4-3	3.00	1	66	6	25/74	1.12
24	---	3-3	3.66	3	64	7	24/60	1.11
25	---	4-5	2.79	5	61.3	3	23/81	1.06
26	CHC	3-3	3.43	3	65	6	25/71	1.17

Got into the saves mix with the Rangers last year, a little, but barring injuries should be a solid setup guy this year with the Cubs. The hierarchy is not set in stone in Chicago, meaning Maton could move up or be passed from behind. Moved away from slider to curves last year to go with his fine splitter, and did a much better job getting swings and misses. He did not do a better job avoiding walks, but that's okay as long as he gets strikeouts and doesn't allow homers.

Yuki Matsui

Throws: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:\$5				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SDP	4-2	3.73	0	62.7	8	27/69	1.17
25	SDP	3-1	3.98	1	63.3	10	33/61	1.36

Zebby Matthews

Throws: R Age: 26 **\$4**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$16	25:\$15	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIN	1-4	6.69	0	37.7	11	11/43	1.67
25	AA	2-1	1.72	0	36.7	1	9/47	1.10
25	MIN	5-6	5.56	0	79.3	12	24/88	1.49
26	MIN	6-8	4.64	0	129	21	35/130	1.32

He was hit nearly as hard last year as he had been in 2024, in both years reversing his minor league tendency to induce ground balls by allowing more than two thirds of balls in play hit in the air. Only Cam Schlichter, among pitchers with 70 innings pitched last year, allowed a higher rate of line drives. The good news is that

the rate of line drives allowed is fairly random, if the pitcher is skilled enough. Matthews has had skills enough to dominate minor league hitters but apart from his slider his offerings have been well struck. In 2024 he allowed a low line drive rate, which meant that more balls hit in the air went over the fence. He's young enough to get more chances at the rotation and maybe he'll figure it out, but it may turn out his marvelous slider belongs in the pen.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Ugly surface stats, but these skills are solid; few walks and lots of whiffs. BABIP hammered him. If he gets a regular rotation slot, a cheap-end game investment could pay off big.

Tyler Mattison

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	4-3	4.38	2	39	4	30/44	1.56

A lotta walks at every level so far. But he also gets a lot of strikeouts. TM:DET

Isaac Mattson

Throws: R Age: 31

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	PIT	3-3	2.45	0	47.7	4	19/45	1.13

Pirates setup guy last year had a great but lucky ERA that overstated his successfulness. An xERA of 3.29 is fine but doesn't move the roto value needle that much.

Steven Matz

Throws: L Age: 35 **\$1**

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$8	23:\$4	24:\$3	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$6	22:\$8	23:\$0	24:\$11	25:\$7	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	4-7	3.86	0	105	11	32/98	1.33
24	STL	1-2	5.08	0	44.3	7	15/33	1.45
25	---	5-2	3.05	2	76.7	8	11/59	1.10
26	TBR	6-6	4.10	0	138	19	37/112	1.27

He made two starts early in the year with the Cardinals and did just fine, but the St. Louis team and the Boston one, after he was traded, used him mostly in relief. He earned 13 holds as well as two saves but he signed with the Rays and they say they're giving him a shot at the rotation. It's hard to imagine his declining ability to throw strikeouts working better in longer outings, but he showed last year he could make it work, so consider it a possibility.

Zach Maxwell

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	1-3	4.17	5	49.7	6	32/59	1.50
26	CIN	2-2	4.18	0	50	7	24/51	1.35

He got a taste of the big leagues last year, 10 innings and threw more strikes than he ever had in the minors, but also gave up three homers. He gets lots of swing and miss and could be an interesting reliever if he threw strikes that weren't knocked over the fence.

Dustin May

Throws: R Age: 29 **\$1**

YR/C 21:\$10	22:\$1	23:\$12	24:	25:\$4	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:\$7	24:	25:\$15	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	4-1	2.63	0	48	1	16/34	0.94
25	---	7-11	4.96	0	132.3	21	56/123	1.42
26	STL	8-9	4.40	0	153	19	59/135	1.33

He finally stayed healthy, sort of. His season

Player Name

ended early in September with an elbow issue. He's expected to be good to go for the Cardinals at the start of spring training, but his injury history is lengthy enough skepticism is surely warranted. There's also the issue of his effectiveness. Given his great stuff it's fair to blame his control for his struggles, but the pitches he built his career on have been sliding and he turned to a slider last year to halt the decline. It worked, but he's still walking too many and allowing too many home runs. It could click this year, but then again it might not, which makes him an endgame play at best.

Tim Mayza

Throws: L		Age: 34						
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:\$1 25:					
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$2	23:\$7	24:-\$17 25:					
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	3-1	1.52	1	53.3	2	15/53	1.22
24	---	0-2	6.33	0	42.7	5	15/28	1.64
25	AAA	0-0	1.93	0	4.7	0	0/6	1.19

Adam Mazur

Throws: R		Age: 25						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$19	25:-\$8				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SDP	1-3	7.49	0	33.7	6	21/22	1.84
25	AAA	6-7	4.36	0	107.3	21	30/100	1.30
25	MIA	0-4	4.80	0	30	4	12/19	1.50
TM:MIA								

James McArthur

Throws: R		Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	2-3	4.92	1	56.7	6	28/72	1.39
24	KCR	5-7	4.92	18	56.7	8	14/49	1.46
26	KCR	2-2	4.41	1	40	5	12/35	1.35

Missed all of last season because of elbow surgeries and is expected to work in middle relief this year.

Shane McClanahan

Throws: L		Age: 29		\$8				
YR/C 21:	22:\$17	23:\$27	24:		25:\$14	2026		
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$34	23:\$12	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	11-2	3.29	0	115	15	41/121	1.18
26	TBR	9-8	3.69	0	142	19	46/146	1.21

He missed all of 2024 with a nerve issue in his elbow and the problem wasn't solved by rest and rehab for all of 2025 as well. He had surgery to address the issue and will presumably be ready for spring training, but will he? And after not throwing a pitch in anger in two and one third seasons, how restricted will his pitch count and innings be? Definitely worth a dart throw, he's that talented, or at least was, if he holds up during spring training.

Lance McCullers Jr.

Throws: R		Age: 33						
YR/C 21:\$16	22:\$10	23:\$5	24:	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$15	22:\$0	23:	24:	25:-\$22				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	HOU	2-5	6.51	0	55.3	10	39/61	1.81
26	HOU	6-7	4.77	0	125	17	62/121	1.45

He pitched again in the major leagues! Not effectively, but he did it. For the first time since 2022. He didn't avoid the IL. He spent time on ice with hand, finger, foot, and forearm injuries,

but along the way he did make three quality starts in between a lot of trouble. His control struggles last year will perhaps convince us who were once blown away by his great stuff to give up the ghost. He could end up in the rotation, he could end up in relief, he will certainly end up on the IL. Tread lightly.

Trevor McDonald

Throws: R		Age: 25						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	3-7	4.40	0	86	8	30/78	1.31
25	AAA	9-9	5.31	0	142.3	22	62/144	1.45
26	SFG	2-2	3.76	0	60	6	19/48	1.24

He doesn't have pedigree, he was a late round high school draftee in 2019, and his minor league record is not distinguished, but he had two fine starts last season at the end of September, which is something most of us don't have. He's a long shot for a starting role and a long shot for fantasy value but if there are openings in the Giants rotation he has a positive track record.

Tanner McDougal

Throws: R		Age: 23						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	3-5	3.26	0	113.3	7	49/136	1.34
26	CHW	1-1	4.91	0	26	4	13/22	1.49

After control issues in High-A last year things clicked in Double-A and he dominated. He'll see time in Triple-A this year and with continued success could end up in the White Sox rotation or some other role, though a full year at Triple-A is just as likely if not more so.

T.J. McFarland

Throws: L		Age: 37						
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:-\$8	23:	24:-\$3	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	5-2	2.30	1	62.7	2	28/67	1.28
24	OAK	2-4	3.81	0	56.7	4	17/39	1.25
25	A	0-0	9.00	0	1	1	0/1	2.00

Griff McGarry

Throws: R		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	1-3	6.00	0	60	5	50/81	1.50
24	AAA	2-1	4.55	1	31.7	3	36/42	1.86
25	AAA	2-5	3.44	0	83.7	5	49/124	1.23
26	WSN	3-3	4.27	0	52	6	30/56	1.43

Washington's Rule 5 pickup from the Phillies has a great slider and good fastball and could be a really good reliever if he could throw strikes. But he struggles with that. If the Nats figure out a way to get him to effective control they might have something. But he's old enough that reality is setting in.

Scott McGough

Throws: R		Age: 37						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$1	24:-\$17	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	2-7	5.00	9	70.3	14	30/86	1.28
24	ARI	1-3	7.44	0	32.7	6	21/25	1.71
25	AAA	5-0	3.32	1	40.7	3	13/40	1.34

Michael McGreevy

Throws: R		Age: 26		\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:		25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:-\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	STL	3-0	1.96	0	23	1	2/18	0.78
25	AAA	8-3	3.72	0	75	7	15/78	1.24
25	STL	8-4	4.42	0	95.7	12	20/58	1.26
26	STL	9-7	4.04	0	149	17	33/101	1.23

Among qualified starters last year only Mitchell Parker struck out fewer than 6 per 9 and he struck out more than McGreevy. Change the threshold to 90 innings and Antonio Senzatela, Randy Vasquez, and Erick Fedde walked fewer per 9 than McGreevy. Vasquez had a 3.84 ERA but his xERA was 5.38. Guys who strike out so few can get lucky and have a not terrible ERA, but that's almost always an illusion. His good control helps, but unless he figures out a way to erase more hitters he might help the Cardinals but he has no fantasy upside.

Triston McKenzie

Throws: R		Age: 29						
YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$8	23:\$15	24:\$7	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:\$32	23:	24:-\$17	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CLE	3-5	5.11	0	75.7	19	49/74	1.57
25	AAA	0-3	7.17	0	21.3	2	31/31	2.13

Injuries have stalled his career big time, but he's signed with the Padres on a minor-league deal and will try to work his way back in.

Nolan McLean

Throws: R		Age: 25		\$14				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:		25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$7	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	8-5	2.45	0	113.7	8	50/127	1.13
25	NYM	5-1	2.06	0	48	4	16/57	1.04
26	NYM	11-8	3.44	0	163	17	61/163	1.23

The Mets top pitching prospect did his best to carry them into the playoffs last year, going 5-1 after his promotion in August. He's an extreme ground ball pitcher, ranked eighth out of 402 pitchers who threw more than 40 innings, getting 61.1 percent of balls hit on the ground. He stranded 84.1 percent of baserunners, a possible sign of misaligned good fortune, but his BABIP and HR/FB rates were normal, so maybe he stranded those runners because he was going good. In any case, his estimated ERAs show he was fortunate. His xERA was 3.59, but his SIERA was 3.04 and his xFIP was 2.78. Don't expect him to repeat his 2.06, but you already knew that. He threw six different pitches last season and struggled with the sweeper, against which batters slugged .528 when he threw it 25.7 percent of the time. Wanna bet that he either throws it less this year, or figures out how to make it more effective? He has tools!

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: I think he's going to be fine, but the early bets seem to be on last year's 2.06 ERA and not last year's 3.59 FIP. Not ready to commit SP2 draft capital on a pitcher with 48 big league innings.

John Means

Throws: L	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$13	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:				
YR/E 21:\$16	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BAL	2-0	2.61	0	20.7	2	2/16	0.89
25	AAA	0-2	6.08	0	26.7	7	11/22	1.30

Tore his Achilles' heel in a December and is out indefinitely.

Nick Mears

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$16	25:\$5				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	---	1-5	5.93	0	57.7	7	24/75	1.49
25	MIL	5-3	3.49	1	56.7	7	13/46	0.98

Victor Mederos

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	4-9	5.67	0	92	21	43/99	1.48
24	AAA	4-9	6.32	0	104	14	52/80	1.63
25	AAA	7-7	3.41	0	103	7	37/85	1.33
TM:LAA								

Luis Medina

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$16	24:-\$12	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	OAK	3-10	5.42	0	109.7	14	57/106	1.51
24	OAK	2-4	5.18	0	40	4	20/32	1.58
26	ATH	5-7	4.86	0	114	15	53/99	1.46

Missed all of last year following TJ, but is on pace to be ready for spring training. He struggled before the surgery.

Trevor Megill

Throws: R	Age: 33	\$10						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$5	25:\$14	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$4	23:-\$4	24:\$9	25:\$11	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	1-0	3.63	0	34.7	2	12/52	1.35
24	MIL	1-3	2.72	21	46.3	4	14/50	1.02
25	MIL	6-3	2.49	30	47	3	17/60	1.13
26	MIL	4-3	3.16	17	66	7	24/79	1.14

Stepped into the closer role last year without a hiccup, until September, when he was shut down with a sore elbow. He was able to return for the playoffs during which he struck out five in four innings, walked one and allowed a homer, maybe proving he'll be fine for spring training. Given his injury history, however, and the presence of the very capable Abner Uribe in the Brewers pen, Megill may not be the go to guy in Milwaukee. Or he may be and turn out to be a bargain. Or he may be and is then traded at the deadline. A situation to monitor this spring.

Juan Mejia

Throws: R	Age: 26	\$1						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	4-4	5.00	6	54	3	30/65	1.61
25	COL	2-2	3.96	1	61.3	6	25/68	1.26
26	COL	2-2	4.33	2	66	8	29/69	1.37

Returning from April 2024 TJ and internal brace and he made three minor league rehab starts before he was sent home to work on his prep for spring training. He's got a lively arm and perpetual control issues, which could make him the best choice to be Rockies closer.

Troy Melton

Throws: R	Age: 25	\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-3	2.99	0	75.3	6	20/101	1.24
25	DET	3-2	2.76	0	45.7	7	15/36	1.02
26	DET	7-6	3.92	0	129	18	42/111	1.22

He put up elite ratios in Double and Triple-A last year, but when he got to Detroit after the All Star break he made a few starts, pitched mostly in relief, and became a much more pitch-to-contact type with good control. In small samples he was much better as a starter than as a reliever, though his 95.2 percent LOB% as a reliever is probably what makes his overall ERA so appealing. He's going to need to figure out a way to punch out major league hitters and limit homers to find more success in Detroit, and will likely start the year in Triple-A unless there are injuries to the guys ahead of him.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: RHP Melton split his 2025 big-league innings between SP and bulk RP. His overall surface numbers were good, 2.76/1.01, but with off-the-charts luck metrics: BABIP under .200 (!) and Strand of 86%. That discrepancy will be well known in draft season and should mean a discount on Melton. Detroit management said in October that he will be a starter in '26, and as a starter, he looked better: 3.05/0.92 in 20.2 IP, but with a less alarming .241 BABIP and 74% Strand, supported by a 24% K-rate and 19% K-bb. Possible gnat in the unguent: Detroit seemed to hedge their Melton bet in December by signing KBO returnee RHP Drew Anderson, who twirled a 2.25/1.00 with a 28% K-bb in his last Korean season.

Cristian Mena

Throws: R	Age: 24							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-2	4.61	0	95.7	15	46/102	1.54
25	AAA	2-3	4.84	0	44.7	6	16/52	1.40
26	ARI	1-1	4.24	0	40	5	16/37	1.32

Was in the majors in June pitching in his third big-league game when he tore a muscle in his shoulder that required surgery. He was soft-tossing in the offseason and there was some concern about whether he'd be ready for spring training. How far the injury sets him back is unknown, but he's got a great curve ball with a lot of swing and miss and not terrible control. He has the potential to be a big league regular as a starter and maybe a fantasy earner if he can keep the ball in the park.

Parker Messick

Throws: L	Age: 26	\$8						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-6	3.47	0	98.7	9	42/119	1.22
25	CLE	3-1	2.72	0	39.7	4	6/38	1.33
26	CLE	7-7	3.88	0	129	16	39/116	1.29

Called up late in August, he made seven starts for the Guardians as they drove toward the postseason and handled things the way Guardian pitchers are expected to. Throwing strikes, walking few, keeping the ball in the park, the mix is classic. Messick is known for

his competitive demeanor on the mound and his determination to dominate with every pitch. In the minors that resulted in a high strikeout rate and some walks allowed, but once he reached Cleveland last August it was his command that helped his modest but effective stuff play up. He should be a solid piece of the Guardians rotation from the start of the season.

Luis Mey

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	2-5	3.44	9	55	0	43/63	1.47
25	AAA	5-3	2.48	11	40	0	21/46	1.20
26	CIN	2-1	4.21	0	40	5	23/38	1.48

The only stint he's walked fewer than six per 9 was last year in Triple-A, when he walked 4.7 per 9. But everything returned to normal when up with the Reds. He's potentially a big league rotation piece, but until he figures out how to walk fewer hitters he has no fantasy value.

Max Meyer

Throws: R	Age: 27	\$3						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:\$3	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$13	25:-\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIA	3-5	5.68	0	57	14	19/46	1.42
25	MIA	3-5	4.73	0	64.7	12	20/68	1.43
26	MIA	7-9	4.44	0	149	23	49/136	1.33

Meyer got off to a brilliant start last year with five very good games and four quality starts (in the other game he came out with two outs in the fifth), but then things tumbled. He allowed four or more earned runs in five of his next seven starts, including nine homers in 34 innings before hitting the IL with a hip injury that required season-ending surgery. We don't know if he was struggling with the injury when he hit the skids, that's a lot of games to play badly while nursing an injury, but we do know that his velocity was down a bit on his fastball and slider, his bread and butter pitches. We also know that he gave up a higher percentage of homers on fly balls than you would normally expect, which could be bad luck. Or not. The problem is that he's allowed a lot of homers per fly ball throughout his major and minor league stints since returning from 2022 TJ. So, plenty of talent for pitching, but struggles with his health and a tendency, perhaps, for allowing homers. Or he may have been unlucky, all those stints were fairly short giving his stats less time to normalize. The fallback for him if he can't stick in the rotation is as closer, where his dominating slider had a 42 percent whiff rate last year. Too many questions to target him this year, but he's expected to be healthy for spring training and has talent and decent upside if he manages to stay healthy.

Miles Mikolas

Throws: R	Age: 38							
YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$2	23:\$11	24:\$4	25:				
YR/E 21:-\$5	22:\$4	23:-\$5	24:-\$16	25:-\$10				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	9-13	4.78	0	201.3	26	39/137	1.32
24	STL	10-11	5.35	0	171.7	26	25/122	1.28
25	STL	8-11	4.84	0	156.3	29	37/100	1.32
26	---	8-10	4.97	0	150	25	32/101	1.31

Does anyone throw fewer strikeouts than Mikolas? Four pitchers with 100 innings or more do and the lowest xERA among them is Mikolas' 5.27.

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Karson Milbrandt

Throws: R Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	3-5	3.00	0	90	3	48/113	1.28

He gets minor leaguers out so far with a potent mix of very good fastball and slider and tough cutter, but he's out of the strikezone too much to see him succeeding at the major league level. Not that he can't get better, but that's more likely for 2027 or 2028 than this year. TM:MIA

Wade Miley

Throws: L Age: 40

YR/C	21:\$1	22:\$3	23:\$1	24:\$2	25:
YR/E	21:\$5	22:\$4	23:\$13	24:	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	9-4	3.14	0	120.3	16	38/79	1.14
25	AAA	1-3	8.57	0	21	5	6/17	1.86

Bobby Miller

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$22	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$12	24:\$30	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	11-4	3.76	0	124.3	12	32/119	1.10
24	LAD	2-4	8.52	0	56	17	30/52	1.77
25	AAA	3-6	5.66	1	90.7	11	61/83	1.56
26	LAD	1-1	6.42	0	26	6	12/25	1.57

The Dodgers moved him to the pen last summer, trying to unlock the skills that had made him such an effective rookie starter in 2023. Miller suffered with shoulder inflammation early in 2024 and when he returned struggled with his delivery and release point. Those troubles continued into 2025 and while he was more effective in relief he still struggled. He can safely be ignored until he shows something.

Bryce Miller

Throws: R Age: 28

\$9

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$11	25:\$19	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$7	24:\$33	25:\$16	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	8-7	4.32	0	131.3	18	26/119	1.14
24	SEA	12-8	2.94	0	180.3	21	45/171	0.98
25	SEA	4-6	5.68	0	90.3	17	34/74	1.41
26	SEA	9-8	4.11	0	143	21	42/128	1.19

Elbow problems landed him on the IL in May for two weeks and in June for two months. Before the first trip he was getting his strikeouts but also walking an unusual number of hitters. While that improved after he returned in August he struck out fewer hitters and allowed a lot of homers the rest of the way. On the face of it, that's a year to write off, one that ended with Miller saying that in September he felt the best he'd felt all year. But that's not a comfort. He had a plasma rich injection in June and in the postseason consulted with a doctor about treating the bone spur in his elbow. He will not have surgery, will try to deal with it using anti-inflammatories, and has to be considered a significant injury risk this year. Presumably he's doing what's best and he'll return to form this year, but a physical problem not resolved seems like a recipe for continued problems.

Erik Miller

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SFG	4-5	3.88	0	67.3	7	38/87	1.31
25	SFG	4-1	1.50	0	30	0	20/22	1.47

Mason Miller

Throws: R Age: 28

\$20

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$22	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$20	25:\$15	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	OAK	0-3	3.78	0	33.3	2	16/38	1.20
24	OAK	2-2	2.49	28	65	6	21/104	0.88
25	---	1-2	2.63	22	61.7	5	28/104	0.92
26	SDP	3-2	2.60	25	66	6	26/100	0.98

His fastball and slider are off the charts with stuff, generating 21.1 percent swinging strikes last year. That tied with Josh Hader for most for pitchers with 50 innings pitched or more. The Padres considered moving Miller to the rotation after losing Dylan Cease and Yu Darvish, but Miller has said he is "all in" on closing for now and Padres are going along, saying if he requests moving to the rotation in the future they would consider it. For this year, consider him among the top closers in the game with elite strikeouts and the potential for a lot of saves.

ROTOROB PICK: Injury concern has followed Miller around since he became a big leaguer, but since transitioning to relief he's actually been somewhat durable... and dominant. How about a K/9 over 15? No one who pitched at least 50 frames last year had a higher rate. Miller will move back into a closer role this year and there's upside remaining in his game.

TIM MCLEOD PAN: In 2025, Miller posted an average fastball velocity of 101.2 mph and utilized that pitch 52.2% of the time. The health risks associated with consistently throwing that hard are simply too high to be taking a chance with his current lofty third round ADP.

Shelby Miller

Throws: R Age: 36

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$1	25:\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	3-0	1.71	1	42	3	19/42	0.91
24	DET	6-8	4.53	2	55.7	9	13/49	0.98
25	---	4-3	2.74	10	46	5	15/54	1.04

His fine season as a reliever ended in September leading to October elbow surgery that probably has him out until late 2026.

Hoby Milner

Throws: L Age: 35

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E	21:	22:\$2	23:\$12	24:\$4	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	2-1	1.82	0	64.3	5	13/59	0.96
24	MIL	5-1	4.73	1	64.7	6	14/64	1.20
25	TEX	3-4	3.84	0	70.3	5	21/58	1.27

He probably isn't in the Cubs closer committee plans this season, but if he got some chances it seem like he might convert some saves.

A.J. Minter

Throws: L Age: 33

\$2

YR/C	21:\$1	22:	23:\$6	24:\$3	25:\$1	2026
YR/E	21:\$3	22:\$14	23:\$4	24:\$3	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	3-6	4.00	10	64.7	6	21/82	1.19
24	ATL	5-4	2.62	1	34.3	6	11/35	1.03
26	NYM	4-3	3.21	2	60	7	22/65	1.14

Missed much of last season with a torn lat and may not be ready at the start of spring training,

though the Mets expect him to return not long after that. He's recovering after May 2025 surgery, so we'll see. He's been a steady setup guy for a while, but injuries the last two years have to make you wonder.

Jacob Misiorowski

Throws: R Age: 24

\$10

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	4-2	3.41	0	71.3	2	42/110	1.18
25	AAA	4-2	2.13	0	63.3	4	31/80	1.09
25	MIL	5-3	4.36	0	66	8	31/87	1.24
26	MIL	9-7	3.95	0	147	18	70/174	1.28

Made his debut in mid June and impressed, holding the Cardinals hitless over five innings in a win. In his next two starts, against the Twins and Pirates, he allowed three hits over 11 innings, winning twice more. The Mets roughed him up the next time out, but he then held the Dodgers to one run with 12 strikeouts in another win. After 25.7 innings he had a 2.81 ERA, striking out 11.6 per 9 while walking 3.9 and allowing four homers, and then, you might say the wheels fell off. He made just one start of more than five innings, had an ERA of 5.36 and walked 4.5 per 9 while striking out 12.1, allowing four homers in 40 innings. But a closer look suggests the differences weren't all that great. His FIP/xFIP after his hot start was 3.46/3.93. Before? 3.88/3.23. Not great, but not bad at all. Misiorowski is a big guy, 6'7, and while coming up through the minors has never at any stop walked fewer than 4.0 per 9, and most often walked more than 5.0 per 9. His overall 4.23 per 9 walk rate last year was his best since a short stint in Single-A in 2022. Tall pitchers often struggle with control because there is so much of them in motion on every pitch. Last year he dominated with his 99 mph four seamer and 92 mph change up, but he's going to need to get better results from his slider, which was hit hard. The hope is that every pitching prospect hits the big leagues running, like Paul Skenes, but the reality is that even talented prospects can need time to find the best balance of their physical skills and strategic approach to the game before they become their best selves. Despite his shortcomings Misiorowski has a chance to land among the best if he can find that balance. And along the way there should be plenty of strikeouts.

MIKE PODHORZER PICK: Control remains problematic, but he recorded the fourth highest strikeout rate among starters with at least 60 innings pitched. Oh, and his Stuff+ ranked second. His WHIP won't be impressive, but those strikeouts really limit the downside here.

Casey Mize

Throws: R Age: 29

\$6

YR/C	21:\$3	22:\$7	23:	24:\$2	25:\$2	2026
YR/E	21:\$10	22:	23:	24:\$14	25:\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	DET	2-6	4.49	0	102.3	11	29/78	1.47
25	DET	14-6	3.87	0	149	21	36/139	1.27
26	DET	10-9	4.16	0	162	21	44/140	1.30

No. 1 overall picks out of college, as Mize was in 2018, are supposed to advance quickly, but Mize got his shot in 2020 by skipping Triple-A because of the pandemic's shutdown of minor league baseball. His breakout 2021 season was

a bit of an illusion created by good luck, but then came the TJ and rehab and a lost 2023. He missed two months of 2024 with a hamstring strain and two weeks last year to a similar injury, but returned more quickly this time. His is not a dominating arm and he allows a fair number of fly balls and home runs, but he doesn't walk too many and did strike out more last year in the second half. His is a mid-rotation arm that will have a surprisingly good season at some point with a few minor adjustments or a better run of luck.

Carmen Mlodzinski \$1
 Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$0	25:\$0	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	3-3	2.25	1	36	3	18/34	1.28
24	PIT	5-5	3.38	0	50.7	3	19/46	1.20
25	PIT	5-8	3.55	0	99	8	27/89	1.30
26	PIT	4-4	3.76	0	76	7	26/68	1.29

He started the season in the rotation but things didn't go so good. After nine starts and 39.7 innings he had a 5.67 ERA (4.35/4.42 FIP/xFIP) and was striking out only 6.3 per 9. Moved to the bullpen mostly the rest of the way, he had only one outing that lasted four innings, made only three starts, and improved dramatically. He had a 2.12 ERA (2.65/3.05 FIP/xFIP) and struck out 9.2 per nine while walking only 2.28. It feels like a lesson should be learned here by the Pirates and that makes Mlodzinski a very marginal fantasy pitcher, though perhaps useful from week to week if there's nothing better out there.

Sam Moll
 Throws: L Age: 34

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$3	24:\$0	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	2-3	3.00	1	62.3	2	30/68	1.24
24	CIN	3-2	3.35	0	37.7	3	14/38	1.10
25	AAA	0-3	5.00	0	27	2	11/27	1.37

Keider Montero
 Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$8				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	DET	6-6	4.76	0	98.3	19	31/77	1.34
25	AAA	4-4	5.91	0	42.7	5	15/43	1.35
25	DET	5-3	4.37	0	90.7	16	31/72	1.40

Expect him to make some starts and some long relief and to have some good moments, but also enough poor ones to balance things out.

Rafael Montero
 Throws: R Age: 36

YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$1	23:\$3	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$4	22:\$12	23:\$10	24:\$9	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	3-3	5.08	1	67.3	11	29/79	1.53
24	HOU	1-2	4.70	0	38.3	8	19/23	1.42
25	---	1-2	4.48	0	60.3	5	37/58	1.31

Jordan Montgomery
 Throws: L Age: 34

YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$11	23:\$12	24:\$7	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$14	23:\$20	24:\$34	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	10-11	3.00	0	188.7	18	48/166	1.19
24	ARI	8-7	6.23	1	117	14	44/83	1.65

Mason Montgomery \$1
 Throws: L Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$14	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	1-7	6.26	2	87.7	19	36/105	1.61
25	TBR	1-3	5.67	1	46	6	27/63	1.65
26	PIT	2-2	4.05	1	60	6	27/69	1.34

Part of the Pirates haul from the Rays in their three-way trade of Mike Burrows to Houston. He throws hard and gets strikeouts but he walked way too many hitters last year. Still plenty of potential if he can reel in that tendency, with closer upside but also a good chance of failure.

Luis Morales \$3
 Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-3	3.73	0	89.3	10	35/107	1.14
25	ATH	4-3	3.14	0	48.7	8	18/43	1.16
26	ATH	7-7	4.41	0	118	18	47/104	1.34

You see a guy on the waiver wire rocking a 4.40 ERA and you leap, because it's August and you need pitching and maybe you'll catch lightning. Morales was a little bit helpful after he arrived last year, though he closed poorly allowing six homers in 20.3 innings. He was fantasy friendly with four wins the last two months and a deliciously lucky ERA, since he meritoriously allowed all those homers. He's young, has a classic four-seamer-slider-change up repertoire, though Statcast calls most of those sliders sweepers, and now needs to learn how to pitch to major leaguers. The potential is there for a mid-rotation success, but only if he figures it out. Many do not.

Adrian Morejon \$4
 Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$5	23:\$1	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$5	23:	24:\$1	25:\$19	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SDP	3-2	2.83	2	63.7	4	21/71	1.33
25	SDP	13-6	2.08	3	73.7	2	17/70	0.90
26	SDP	6-3	3.05	2	68	5	21/69	1.16

Got away from his four-seamer last year and threw his sinker 61.7 percent of the time and became a very effective setup guy. His xERA of 2.61 reflects a low BABIP allowed and a low HR/FB rate, but pounding the zone low worked. He'll be a good source of holds in San Diego if he holds onto the eighth inning role, with newfound skills he should be able to apply.

Dauri Moreta
 Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$8	23:\$4	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	5-2	3.72	1	58	4	24/76	1.09
25	AAA	4-0	2.31	1	39	2	21/58	1.21
26	---	2-2	3.81	0	36	4	15/39	1.26

He's got great stuff but struggles with his command. He spent much of last season in the minors but did enough time in the majors to prove he's still viable there. Whether he's able to land a leveraged bullpen role and stay healthy is an open question, but if given a chance he has a chance.

David Morgan
 Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	SDP	1-2	2.66	0	47.3	4	23/50	1.23
26	SDP	2-2	3.53	0	62	7	27/63	1.26

A classic case of the lucky rates overshadowing his shaky control last year and rewarding him with a fantasy friendly ERA. He's expected to remain in the bullpen and will try to work his way to higher leverage.

Eli Morgan
 Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$8	22:\$7	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	5-2	4.01	1	67.3	9	24/75	1.44
24	CLE	3-0	1.93	0	42	4	11/34	0.98
25	AAA	2-0	3.95	0	13.7	0	9/14	1.59

Andrew Morris
 Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-6	4.09	0	94.7	11	28/89	1.34
26	MIN	1-1	4.06	0	28	3	8/24	1.25

He's got a major league heater with lots of movement that plays up in the zone and decent breaking pitches that don't miss many bats. He's got good control but without a dominant swing and a miss pitch is going to have to rely on weak contact to get outs. That might work as a back of the rotation arm for the Twins when they need reinforcements this year but is an iffy fantasy proposition. Probably best considered a streaming option when he gets the call.

Kade Morris
 Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	9-10	4.38	0	150	16	48/128	1.35

A third-rounder in 2023, he's got good breaking stuff but not a ton of swing and miss in his first real pass at Triple-A last year. If he makes it he'll be in the back of the rotation. Not fantasy relevant at this point.

Andres Munoz \$19
 Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$10	24:\$20	25:\$20	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$10	23:\$5	24:\$16	25:\$20	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	4-7	2.94	13	49	2	22/67	1.27
24	SEA	3-7	2.12	22	59.3	6	26/77	0.96
25	SEA	3-3	1.73	38	62.3	2	28/83	1.03
26	SEA	3-4	2.52	28	64	5	27/81	1.09

The average number of saves the year after a pitcher saves 30 or more? 21.5, since 2021. The bust rate last year was 2 of 9. The year before? 3 of 13. From 2021 to 2022? 5 of 11. The year before that it was 3 of 10. You get the idea. Munoz has been consistent and given more chances each of the last three years. Last year was the first year he was the Mariners sole closer, thanks to his new manager, and he improved his save percentage over 2024, though he continued to struggle walking hitters. He allowed only two homers, however, which papers over a lot of other flaws, including being less effective on the road, away from the friendly confines, and his declining velocity last summer that

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has to be a concern. His stats fell off after the break, but they weren't bad. He may be the prince of all the closer princes, but there are good reasons not to be too exuberant about his chances this year.

Rodderly Munoz

Throws: R		Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24-:\$27	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIA	2-7	6.53	0	82.7	26	42/70	1.59
25	AAA	4-3	3.28	3	57.7	4	30/76	1.33

Owen Murphy

Throws: R		Age: 23						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A+	3-0	1.19	0	30.3	1	6/34	0.70

A great curveball but has yet to pitch above High-A because of recovery from TJ. TM:ATL

Joe Musgrove

Throws: R		Age: 34		\$8				
YR/C 21:\$13	22:\$21	23:\$19	24:\$20		25:	2026		
YR/E 21:\$24	22:\$22	23:\$12	24:\$2	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	10-3	3.05	0	97.3	10	21/97	1.14
24	SDP	6-5	3.88	0	99.7	14	23/101	1.18
26	SDP	10-9	3.84	0	159	22	40/154	1.19

Following October 2024 TJ he was hoping to make it back if the Padres went deep enough in the playoffs, but they did not. He's a very good pitcher when he's healthy but after missing all of last year and pitching less than 100 innings the two previous seasons his health, even after successful surgery, can't be relied on. Bidding will be a game of chicken, worth winning if the others flinch early.

Tobias Myers

Throws: R		Age: 28		\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:		25:\$6	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$13	25-:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIL	9-6	3.00	0	138	18	36/127	1.17
25	AAA	2-5	3.77	0	59.7	5	17/55	1.32
25	MIL	1-2	3.55	0	50.7	5	15/38	1.37
26	NYM	3-2	3.66	0	60	8	17/52	1.25

For the second year in a row he missed a sizable chunk of the season. In 2024 there were aches but it was a personal matter that cost him the most time, and he was effective when he was on the field. Last year, elbow inflammation that did not heal on schedule kept him off the field until July, and he was ineffective when he first returned. He was more effective as the season progressed, which is a reason to have some hope for a full and better season this year. But given his age and recent history caution is warranted.

Tommy Nance

Throws: R		Age: 35						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21-:\$11	22-:\$3	23:	24-:\$5	25:\$3				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TOR	0-3	4.09	0	22	2	9/19	1.23
25	AAA	0-4	4.60	4	31.3	2	7/42	1.22
25	TOR	2-0	1.99	0	31.7	0	7/32	1.03

Andrew Nardi

Throws: L		Age: 28		\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2		25:\$1	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$7	24-:\$7	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	8-1	2.67	3	57.3	7	21/73	1.15
24	MIA	3-2	5.07	0	49.7	7	18/70	1.26
26	MIA	2-2	3.96	0	52	6	20/63	1.22

Miami's setup guy, he threw enough strikeouts in 2024 to be of fantasy interest, though he allowed enough homers to warrant caution. He missed all of last year with back inflammation.

Tyson Neighbors

Throws: R		Age: 24						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	5-0	1.53	6	59	4	23/83	0.90
26	BAL	1-1	4.02	0	24	3	11/26	1.34

He came back to the Orioles when they traded Ramon Laureano and Ryan O'Hearn away last year at the deadline. He's worked in relief since he was drafted in the fourth round in 2024 out of Kansas State, where he was the closer. He showed improved control in his 12 Double-A games after the trade and will need to sustain that to advance at the higher levels.

Ryne Nelson

Throws: R		Age: 28		\$9				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:\$2		25:\$1	2026		
YR/E 21:	22:	23-:\$14	24-:\$2	25:\$17	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	8-8	5.00	0	144	24	46/96	1.42
24	ARI	10-6	4.24	1	150.7	17	34/126	1.26
25	ARI	7-3	3.39	1	154	17	41/132	1.07
26	ARI	10-8	4.13	1	166	21	44/139	1.24

He throws hard and he throws hard a lot, tossing his four seamer 62 percent of the time. As well he should, it was by far his most effective pitch. He started last season as a reliever and did a good job, though his ERA was probably inflated by a low LOB%. His xFIP in relief was 3.23. As a starter it was 4.22. Perhaps more significant, as a reliever he struck out 9.35 versus 7.38 as a starter, and he walked fewer hitters, too. If he sticks in the rotation expect a bump in ERA even if he maintains his excellent control pitching in the third best run environment in the game.

Braden Nett

Throws: R		Age: 24						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	6-7	3.75	0	105.7	8	48/116	1.47

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Sean Newcomb

Throws: L		Age: 33		\$1				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:		25:	2026		
YR/E 21:	22-:\$9	23:\$2	24-:\$2	25:\$6	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	---	2-5	2.73	2	92.3	5	31/91	1.36
26	CHW	4-4	3.92	0	105	11	43/97	1.36

Put together a balanced strikeout-walk profile for the first time in his career, walking few and not dominating but striking out nearly one per inning. He was almost certainly lucky allowing homers per fly ball and unlucky allowing hits on balls in play, but his workhorse workload means he threw a lot of strikeouts for a reliever. He saved two games after he landed with the Athletics last summer. It would be a nice story if this 2015 first rounder came into his own consistently this year.

Kyle Nicholas

Throws: R		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25-:\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-2	3.79	5	35.7	1	20/50	1.56
25	PIT	1-2	4.74	0	38	3	18/34	1.37
26	PIT	2-2	4.32	0	56	6	27/54	1.40

Each of his three seasons he's struck out and walked fewer batters, but while now he's striking out far fewer than you'd like, he's still well over the preferred number of walks you'd like him to offer. As an arm deep in the bullpen those skills can be useful, but they don't pertain to the fantasy games.

TJ Nichols

Throws: R		Age: 24						
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	14-3	2.90	0	133.7	21	30/156	1.02

Spent most of last year in High-A but got in six starts at Double-A. He was successful at both levels and will surely get more developmental time as a starter this year. Look for him to develop an effective third pitch and continue to control walks as he ascends or else he's likely to end up working in relief. TM:TBR

Kyle Nicolas

Throws: L		Age: 27						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24-:\$9	25-:\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	4-7	5.20	2	98.7	16	52/127	1.52
24	PIT	2-2	3.95	0	54.7	4	31/55	1.51
25	AAA	2-2	3.79	5	35.7	1	20/50	1.56
25	PIT	1-2	4.74	0	38	3	18/34	1.37

Aaron Nola

Throws: R		Age: 33		\$9				
YR/C 21:\$26	22:\$23	23:\$29	24:\$24		25:\$17	2026		
YR/E 21:\$7	22:\$31	23:\$11	24:\$13	25-:\$15	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	12-9	4.46	0	193.7	32	45/202	1.15
24	PHI	14-8	3.57	0	199.3	30	50/197	1.20
25	PHI	5-10	6.01	0	94.3	18	28/97	1.35
26	PHI	11-11	4.30	0	181	28	49/179	1.24

Sprained his ankle in mid May and missed a couple of weeks, but then had a bout of rib pain and was diagnosed with a stress reaction in his ribs, which kept him out until mid August. He had typically good strikeout and walk rates before and after the IL time, but he struggled keeping the ball in the park, as he has for years. His success in the past has come from his four seamer and curve, but they were too hittable last year as they suffered small declines in velocity. Nola's falloff has been obvious for some time but there is some chance that last year's disaster was a product of bad luck, his LOB% was low, his HR/FB a little high, and there were the injuries. Does it mean anything that his best game of the season, eight innings of shutout ball, came in his last start? Probably not, but it is a reason for a little hope he'll bounce back.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Name recognition will drive up his price, but at this point in his career, he's a mid-rotation option, at best.

ALEX PATTON PICK: Comeback player of the year.

Anthony Nunez

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-5	2.06	9	56.7	2	24/83	0.82
TM:BAL								

Riley O'Brien

Throws: R	Age: 31	\$6						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	\$6 Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	STL	3-1	2.06	6	48	2	22/45	1.15
26	STL	3-2	3.78	11	63	6	29/63	1.34

The 30 year old rookie scored in all the luck categories and finished the year sharing the Cardinals closer job with JoJo Romero. He throws hard and his curve ball was unhittable, but he doesn't miss bats with the heater and he walks too many every which way but loose. With stats propped up by a low BABIP allowed and a high LOB%, plus a low rate of homers per fly ball, maybe he'll regress to his expected ERA of 3.57, but it could quickly get much worse. Worth a small bet if he actually is the closer out of camp, he should be watched closely. He's old for his level. Think of Doug Jones, another improbably old closer for the Indians back in the 1980s, who didn't strike out many but tellingly didn't walk many either.

Bailey Ober

Throws: R	Age: 31	\$5						
YR/C 21:	22:\$7	23:\$2	24:\$15	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:	\$1	\$2	\$18	\$19	\$11 Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	8-6	3.43	0	144.3	22	29/146	1.07
24	MIN	12-9	3.98	0	178.7	27	43/191	1.00
25	MIN	6-9	5.10	0	146.3	30	31/120	1.30
26	MIN	7-8	4.44	0	141	25	33/130	1.18

He's always allowed a lot of homers because he's a fly ball pitcher but last year he lost some velocity and became much more hittable, which was a problem. He missed the month of July with a hip impingement and afterward threw even more softly with a little more success. Good pitchers make adjustments as their stuff changes and maybe Ober will regain the speed or switch up the mix, but for fantasy purposes the crafty pitcher who walked the tightwire in 2023 and 2024 is no more.

Shinnosuke Ogasawara

Throws: L	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$15				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-1	3.71	0	34	2	10/31	1.32
25	WSN	1-1	6.98	0	38.7	9	17/30	1.57

Was removed from the 40-man roster after last season, during which he was ineffective while in the majors. TM:WSN

Pierson Ohl

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$9				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-3	2.40	2	71.3	5	11/86	0.97
25	MIN	0-3	5.10	0	30	5	7/27	1.50
26	COL	2-3	4.44	1	60	9	15/49	1.29

He throws the opposite of hard but his extraordinarily good control helps his less than overwhelming stuff get swinging and looking strikeouts. He allowed some homers and some

runs, so it's not all good for him so far, but he has an authority about the strike zone that might develop. Now pitching in Colorado isn't going to help.

Shohei Ohtani

Throws: R	Age: 32	\$15						
YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$16	23:\$12	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$16	22:\$0	23:\$20	24:	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	10-5	3.14	0	132	18	55/167	1.06
25	LAD	1-1	2.87	0	47	3	9/62	1.04
26	LAD	8-5	3.28	0	117	13	38/141	1.13

Successfully returned to the rotation in mid June, easing slowly into longer outings, topping five IP only in his last start on September 23rd. He struck out eight that game, walking none, and allowing no runs. He proves over and over that he can do anything he sets his mind to. Well, almost anything. He did have two poor games on the road in August against the Angels and Rockies. How many innings will he pitch this year? That's the only limitation on his potential value as a pitcher for fantasy. The Rule of Verducci caps him at 125 innings, severely limiting his Cy Young chances. They'll have to wait for 2027, but for fantasy purposes 125 sterling innings has real value. He's priced as in leagues with separate hitting and pitching Ohtanis. In leagues that make you pick week by week, he should probably be used as a hitter most weeks, though the prospect of two 6+ inning starts in a week might be compelling enough to choose Ohtani the Pitcher sometimes.

Steven Okert

Throws: L	Age: 35							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:-\$3	24:-\$9	25:\$12				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	3-2	4.45	0	58.7	9	24/73	1.26
24	MIN	3-2	5.09	1	35.3	6	16/33	1.51
25	HOU	3-2	3.01	1	71.7	6	19/84	0.90

Reese Olson

Throws: R	Age: 27	\$5						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:\$9	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$6	24:\$4	25:\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	5-7	3.99	0	103.7	14	33/103	1.12
24	DET	4-8	3.53	0	112.3	7	33/101	1.19
25	DET	4-4	3.15	0	68.7	5	25/65	1.22
26	DET	7-9	3.70	0	141	14	46/131	1.24

He went down in late July and missed the rest of the season with a shoulder strain that was treated with an injection rather than surgery. He missed two months in 2024 with a shoulder injury as well, so his health should not be assumed. When he is able to take the mound he has shown decent control of a five pitch arsenal that misses some bats especially on pitches out of the zone. He doesn't put up the big strikeout numbers of a frontline hurler, but has the mix to have a year matching his skills to good BABIP luck and getting people to wonder at season's end whether he can do that again, if he stays healthy. Until then he'll be cheap.

Kaleb Ort

Throws: R	Age: 34							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:-\$5	23:	24:\$1	25:-\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	HOU	1-1	2.55	0	24.7	7	4/26	0.83
25	HOU	2-2	4.89	1	46	8	27/49	1.35

Luis L. Ortiz

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$3				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$16	24:\$12	25:-\$7				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	5-5	4.78	0	86.7	13	48/59	1.70
24	PIT	7-6	3.32	1	135.7	16	42/107	1.12
25	CLE	4-9	4.36	0	88.7	12	42/96	1.38

He's in limbo while his gambling case works its way through the investigation stage. Seems unlikely to see major league time this year, or maybe ever. As Mr. T might say, Pity the fool.

Eric Orze

Throws: R	Age: 29	\$1						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-1	2.92	3	61.7	8	31/84	1.20
25	AAA	4-0	2.20	2	28.7	4	10/37	1.03
25	TBR	1-1	3.02	3	41.7	4	19/40	1.38
26	MIN	2-2	4.33	2	62	8	28/60	1.37

A slump in July sent him back to the minors and then he was traded in the offseason to Minnesota, where he joins a talented but underpowered crew of relief pitchers. It's not impossible to imagine him having some success if he can hold the walks down, the way he did early last year.

Michel Otanez

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$4	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	OAK	1-0	3.44	1	34	2	20/55	1.38
25	AAA	2-2	7.50	0	18	2	18/28	2.06

Johan Oviedo

Throws: R	Age: 28	\$1						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$3	22:-\$2	23:-\$3	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	9-14	4.31	0	177.7	19	83/158	1.37
25	AAA	1-2	3.12	0	26	3	7/36	1.04
25	PIT	2-1	3.57	0	40.3	6	23/42	1.22
26	BOS	5-5	4.13	0	114	15	52/110	1.32

Throws a bit of everything out there, missing some bats but also the strike zone a little too often. He returned from TJ last summer, which may account for the bump up in walks, but he should be healthy heading into his first season with the Red Sox. Expected to be in the back end of the Sox rotation, he's a late round AL only flyer if you want him.

Chris Paddock

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:\$17	22:\$5	23:	24:\$2	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:-\$7	22:	23:	24:-\$12	25:-\$14				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIN	5-3	4.99	0	88.3	14	21/79	1.40
25	---	5-12	5.35	1	158	31	37/112	1.28
26	---	6-8	4.95	0	124	21	31/99	1.32

The knock on him used to be that he didn't strike out enough guys, but his control was so good that he was able to succeed despite that. Last year, however, he crashed and so did his modest strikeout rate, and by the end of the season he was in the bullpen. The move didn't slow the homer binge Paddock offered opposing teams. He dropped four homers in 12.7 innings relieving, and 31 on the season as a whole. He was coming back from a 2022 TJ and

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a 2024 forearm strain that ended that season early, and maybe with health there's a possible rebound season in him. But don't bet on that.

Jedixson Paez

Throws:	R	Age:	22					
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$1	24:-\$6	25:\$17	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
26	CHW	3-2	4.30	0	50	7	14/40	1.29

Exposed in the Rule 5 draft because a calf injury that limited him to 19 innings on the year, but he is a notably able control pitcher who is able to deliver a variety of pitches in a variety of ways to all the edges of the strike zone. If he were to stick with the White Sox he'd be jumping from High-A, with no telling if he could bedazzle big league hitters. But it would be fun rooting for him.

Emilio Pagan

Throws:	R	Age:	35	\$11	
YR/C 21:	22:\$4	23:	24:\$1	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$11	24:-\$6	25:\$17	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	5-2	2.99	1	69.3	5	21/65	0.95
24	CIN	4-5	4.50	1	38	6	11/44	1.34
25	CIN	2-4	2.88	32	68.7	10	22/81	0.92
26	CIN	4-4	3.78	21	66	10	22/74	1.15

Alexis Diaz was the weak favorite for saves in the preseason last year in Cincinnati, backed by Taylor Rogers, Tony Santillan, and Pagan. The Reds didn't win much at the start of last season but Pagan got the first save and most of them from then on. He allows a lot of fly balls, which is going to hurt at times, but if he strikes out many and walks few as he has done in recent years he might be able to hang on for another year.

Andrew Painter

Throws:	R	Age:	23	\$7	
YR/C 21:	22:\$5	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-8	5.26	0	118	20	47/123	1.49
26	PHI	7-8	4.26	0	133	19	46/121	1.32

He was a Skenes-level prospect back in 2023 who the Phillies suggested could make the team as a 20 year old. Instead Painter hurt his arm, had TJ in July 2023 and didn't make it back onto a mound until last year, which he spent mostly in Triple-A. He showed some revived stuff but he struggled, as pitchers often do after TJ, with his control and command. He may no longer have elite expectations on him but there are good reasons to expect him to bounce back. Maybe others will agree and he'll get too expensive, but for a modest bid he'll have a chance to make some fantasy coin this year, to the extent the Phillies don't baby him too much.

Daniel Palencia

Throws:	R	Age:	26	\$14	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:	25:\$7	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	5-3	4.45	0	28.3	3	14/33	1.27
24	AAA	2-1	4.85	5	39	3	22/68	1.36
25	CHC	1-6	2.91	22	52.7	5	16/61	1.15
26	CHC	3-4	3.58	23	67	7	28/75	1.25

Ended up the Cubs surprise closer last May when Porter Hodge was hurt and Ryan Pressly struggled. He handled the job with aplomb, throwing harder and with better control than ever before relying more on the four seamer

and less on the splitter and sinker. He would seem to be a lock for the closer job again this year and is a worthy one if he's able to maintain last year's gains and stay healthy.

Andre Pallante

Throws:	R	Age:	28	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:-\$10	24:-\$1	25:-\$23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	4-1	4.76	0	68	6	30/43	1.56
24	STL	8-8	3.78	0	121.3	8	48/94	1.30
25	STL	6-15	5.31	0	162.7	21	62/111	1.45
26	STL	8-11	4.50	0	148	15	57/104	1.41

Does anyone throw fewer strikeouts than Pallante? Actually 10 pitchers with 100 or more innings did and the lowest ERA among them was 3.84 by Randy Vasquez with an xERA of 5.37.

Carson Palmquist

Throws:	L	Age:	26	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-5	4.64	0	77.7	7	42/94	1.35
25	COL	0-4	8.91	0	34.3	10	25/27	2.05

Mitchell Parker

Throws:	L	Age:	27	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$6	25:-\$25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	WSN	7-10	4.29	0	151	18	43/133	1.30
25	WSN	9-16	5.68	1	164.7	25	58/103	1.44

Chad Patrick

Throws:	R	Age:	28	\$3	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-4	4.04	0	42.3	8	17/45	1.28
25	MIL	3-8	3.53	0	119.7	13	40/127	1.28
26	MIL	7-9	4.00	0	141	20	46/140	1.26

Like a right-handed Aaron Ashby, the Brewers limited Patrick's exposure to a third time through the order, perspicaciously. In 17 of those types of innings he pitched he maintained his strikeout and walk rates but allowed four homers. He throws plenty of fly balls and was helped by a low HR/FB rate last year, which could hurt if it ticks up. He was in the Brewer rotation from the start last year because of injuries to others and despite doing a good job he was sent to the minors in early July when the team's better arms came back. A look at Patrick's W-L record tells the tale of short outings and the starting pitcher. Not many wins in part because if you don't go five you don't qualify. He might be in the team's rotation to start this season, too, but the arms behind him make it clear he's going to have to deliver or else he'll be replaced.

Joel Payamps

Throws:	R	Age:	32	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:\$4
YR/E 21:	22:-\$1	23:\$12	24:\$8	25:-\$11

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	7-5	2.55	3	70.7	8	17/77	1.05
24	MIL	3-7	3.05	6	59	7	18/59	0.97
25	AAA	1-1	4.72	6	26.7	2	6/30	1.15
25	---	0-1	6.84	1	26.3	4	9/24	1.53

Nate Pearson

Throws:	R	Age:	30	
YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$4	24:-\$7	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	5-2	4.85	1	42.7	7	18/43	1.27
24	---	2-2	4.48	2	66.3	12	21/74	1.33
25	AAA	3-2	2.22	7	44.7	1	24/57	1.15

Ethan Pecko

Throws:	R	Age:	24					
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-10	3.83	0	80	6	27/95	1.25

Had a breakout season split between Double- and Triple-A, impressively setting down PCL hitters in seven late-season starts. TM:HOU

Joel Peguero

Throws:	R	Age:	29					
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-2	5.10	0	42.3	4	23/46	1.62

Ryan Pepiot

Throws:	R	Age:	29	\$10	
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$11	25:\$10	2026
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:\$8	24:\$8	25:\$10	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	2-1	2.14	0	42	7	5/38	0.76
24	TBR	8-8	3.60	0	130	17	48/142	1.15
25	TBR	11-12	3.86	0	167.7	26	61/167	1.17
26	TBR	11-11	3.88	0	175	26	62/180	1.19

All of his stats the last two years are very consistent, and align closely with his expected stats, so it feels safe to say that this is what Pepiot is. He could get luckier or unluckier, or he could further develop his mix of pitches. For instance, he had good success with his cutter and splitter last year, but threw them a bit less than 10 percent of the time combined. Of course, that isn't guaranteed to get better results, but it might.

Luis Perales

Throws:	R	Age:	23					
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
26	WSN	1-1	4.27	0	33	4	15/32	1.36

His TJ surgery cost him nearly all of the 2025 season but he pitched in the Arizona Fall League and was consistently in the high 90s, at times reaching 101. The Nationals are prepping him as a starter and he has three plus pitches, if he can control them. With only 36 innings pitched since 2023, and only 2.3 last year, he'll likely start the year in Double-A but with success could be promoted quickly, though with pitch and innings limits. Strikeouts should follow, proportionately.

Freddy Peralta

Throws:	R	Age:	30	\$18		
YR/C 21:	22:\$4	22:\$3	23:\$13	24:\$23	25:\$16	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$17	24:\$8	25:\$30	Bid Price	

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	12-10	3.86	0	165.7	26	54/210	1.12
24	MIL	11-9	3.68	0	173.7	26	68/200	1.22
25	MIL	17-6	2.70	0	176.7	21	66/204	1.08
26	NYM	13-9	3.46	0	178	24	67/204	1.16

He's been a reliable starter the last few years making almost every start but he doesn't work deep into games. In 31 games of 33 he pitched in the fifth inning, but only 17 times in the sixth, which is probably a good thing. His sixth inning ERA was 5.27. Peralta's short stints work for fantasy because he throws a fair amount of

strikeouts. What is more problematic is the homers he allows, though last year was special because he didn't. He's far from an ace, the Mets picked him up because he's not only very good he was also cheap, and similarly he can be a productive member of a fantasy squad if the price doesn't get too high.

Luis Peralta

Throws: L Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	7-0	0.94	5	47.7	2	21/75	0.96
25	AAA	1-4	9.09	0	34.7	6	28/51	2.16

TM:COL

Wandy Peralta

Throws: L Age: 35

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$4	23:\$4	24:-\$4	25:\$0

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NY Y	4-2	2.83	4	54	7	30/51	1.22
24	SDP	3-2	3.99	0	38.3	6	13/22	1.21
25	SDP	6-1	3.14	0	71.7	5	30/63	1.35

Eury Perez

Throws: R Age: 23 **\$14**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$3	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$9	24:	25:\$5	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	5-6	3.15	0	91.3	15	31/108	1.13
25	MIA	7-6	4.25	0	95.3	12	32/105	1.05
26	MIA	10-9	3.83	0	154	21	52/172	1.14

He didn't make his first major league start last year until early June after missing all of 2024 rehabbing from TJ. In his first four games back he was pounded, allowing 11 earned runs in 14 innings, but after that he had a 3.86 ERA and .96 WHIP while striking out 10.3 per 9 and walking 2.5. Those numbers line up with those of his very promising rookie season in 2023, though it should be noted he's a strong flyball pitcher who allowed 11 homers on the road last year and only one in Miami. He's still young and will get chances to work those issues out, with the talent to become an ace very quickly if he does. There is also likely to be an innings limit on him this year which will limit his upside if he does find an answer.

Martin Perez

Throws: L Age: 35

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:\$1	25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$13	23:-\$6	24:-\$17	25:\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TEX	10-4	4.45	0	141.7	21	49/93	1.40
24	---	5-6	4.53	0	135	22	49/107	1.48
25	CHW	1-6	3.54	0	56	6	22/44	1.11
26	---	6-9	4.54	0	134	19	50/102	1.39

Elbow and shoulder woes cost him most of last season. The one year he was able to limit the homers he was awfully good, but that one is the unicorn of his career.

Jack Perkins

Throws: R Age: 26 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-2	2.86	0	44	3	20/68	1.02
25	ATH	3-2	4.19	3	38.7	4	18/37	1.18
26	ATH	2-1	3.99	1	34	4	15/34	1.25

He missed substantial time in 2024 with a lat issue and last year with a bum shoulder, but is expected to be healthy to start 2026. He struggled in four starts last year leading up to

last year's season-ending injury, but he earned wins in three of them. Before that he served as something of a closer for the Athletics. As a starter he had a 5.21 ERA and 1.42 WHIP while as a reliever he had a 3.20 ERA and .92 WHIP. These are all small samples, but suggest that his future is unwritten because of injury risk, his weak performance at Sutter Home Park, and questions about his 2026 role. Consider him a wild card for fantasy value. He's shown some moxie on the mound, but has enough struggles with control to be wary of.

Austin Peterson

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	8-6	3.21	0	145.7	15	40/127	1.17

TM:CLE

David Peterson

Throws: L Age: 31 **\$1**

YR/C 21:\$3	22:	23:\$4	24:	25:\$4	2026
YR/E 21:-\$8	22:\$1	23:-\$15	24:\$7	25:-\$7	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYM	3-8	5.03	0	111	16	50/128	1.57
24	NYM	10-3	2.90	0	121	8	46/101	1.29
25	NYM	9-6	4.22	0	168.7	11	65/150	1.37
26	NYM	11-8	3.91	0	182	16	70/160	1.36

Since shifting to throwing more sinkers and fewer fastballs in 2024 he's striking out and walking fewer hitters, but is still being hit hard when contact is made. So hard, but twice as many on the ground as in the air, which combined with a low HR/FB rate the last two years has limited the damage. But xERAs the last two years of 4.56 and 4.57 illustrate that he's perhaps best used as a streamable fantasy pitcher in deep leagues.

RJ Petit

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	10-2	2.44	3	66.3	4	22/79	1.06

Chase Petty

Throws: R Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-13	6.39	0	112.7	17	58/102	1.61
26	CIN	1-3	5.19	0	48	7	21/40	1.47

He tasted the majors last year, with three games, brief starts in late April and mid May and a relief appearance in mid June. The debut was the heartbreaker: 2.3 innings, nine earned runs, two homers, two walks and three strikeouts against the Cardinals in Great American. It would be unfair to judge him based on those three games, but in Triple-A last year he walked too many and allowed too many homers. He's young for the level but he's also not dominant when not walking so many, so it's hard to see what he can build on. Scouts call him a great athlete and energetic performer, which counts for something if he delivers. He's young enough that development can find a way, but he's not there yet.

Brandon Pfaadt

Throws: R Age: 28 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$12	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$13	24:-\$5	25:-\$15	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ARI	3-9	6.00	0	96	22	26/94	1.41
24	ARI	11-10	4.71	0	181.7	24	42/185	1.24
25	ARI	13-9	5.25	0	176.7	26	37/147	1.33

26	ARI	11-11	4.73	0	176	26	40/157	1.28
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He's around the strike zone a lot, doesn't walk many (finished fourth in lowest walk rate among qualifiers), but he allowed too many homers last year and his fantasy owners paid the price. He was even a little lucky on the homer front, Statcast says his xHR was 30.1 rather than the 26 he actually surrendered. He struck out 38 fewer hitters in five fewer innings last year than in 2024 while he tinkered with his pitching mix, throwing fewer four seamers and more sweepers and a new cutter. He was successful in 2024, except that his inflated ERA and WHIP crushed his fantasy value, but pitching is a game of adjustments and he's going to have to make better ones to have fantasy value this season.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Has a projected 3.87 xERA and 4.55 ERA. How does that work, exactly? Split the difference and take the small profit in deeper leagues.

Connor Phillips

Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	4-5	3.86	1	105	10	57/154	1.41
24	AAA	3-9	8.01	0	78.7	16	60/77	2.02
25	AAA	1-2	2.84	0	38	3	23/42	1.16
25	CIN	5-0	2.88	0	25	3	12/32	0.92
26	CIN	3-2	4.08	0	56	8	27/60	1.28

Throwing hard and earning more strikeouts, but he's still walking too many for a chance at higher leverage roles.

Evan Phillips

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$8	24:\$21	25:\$2
YR/E 21:	22:\$18	23:\$21	24:\$4	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	2-4	2.05	24	61.3	6	13/66	0.83
24	LAD	5-1	3.62	18	54.7	6	17/63	1.20
25	AAA	0-0	6.35	1	5.7	0	1/9	1.92

June 2025 TJ has him out until midseason, probably, if not longer.

Tyler Phillips

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$13	25:\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	PHI	4-1	6.87	0	36.7	9	7/28	1.44
25	MIA	2-1	2.78	4	77.7	8	24/52	1.15
26	MIA	3-2	4.27	2	68	9	21/50	1.31

A sweet and lucky ERA makes his easing into closing look successful, but he scores badly on the luck indicators. Not so badly he's hopeless, but badly enough he should prove it before you move for him.

Konnor Pilkington

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$2	23:	24:	25:-\$6

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	2-6	8.44	0	74.7	17	63/77	2.05
24	AAA	3-5	5.91	0	77.7	7	49/79	1.76
25	AAA	4-3	2.59	2	41.7	2	27/50	1.21
25	WSN	2-0	4.45	0	28.3	7	17/34	1.39

Player Name

Jonathan Pintaro

Throws: R Age: 29

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-5	4.28	1	82	9	44/103	1.38

Nick Pivetta

Throws: R Age: 33

\$13

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$3	\$0	\$12	\$6	\$34 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	10-9	4.04	1	142.7	23	50/183	1.12
24	BOS	6-12	4.14	0	145.7	28	36/172	1.13
25	SDP	13-5	2.87	0	181.7	22	50/190	0.99
26	SDP	11-10	3.72	0	184	28	53/202	1.12

The last two years he's walked far fewer hitters than he had earlier in his career, but only last year did his ERA drop. It dropped because he allowed fewer homers than usual, fueled by the lowest HR/FB rate of his career. It dropped because he had the lowest BABIP of his career. And it dropped because he had the highest strand rate of his career. So Pivetta's career year was goosed by the perfect alignment of lucky bounces pitchers love to have come along. Expectations for him this year should be no different than they were last year.

ALEX PATTON PAN: He was excellent in the first half and then got better. He was tough on righties and even tougher on lefties. He pitched well on the road and was almost unbeatable in Petco. So what's not to like? There's nothing in his Statcast stats that explains his success or even hints at it.

Colin Poche

Throws: L Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$1	\$11	\$2	\$5:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	12-3	2.23	1	60.7	4	24/61	1.09
24	TBR	1-2	3.86	2	37.3	7	13/33	1.16
25	AAA	0-1	4.82	1	18.7	3	14/16	1.59

Drew Pomeranz

Throws: L Age: 38

\$2

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2:	\$3:	\$4:	\$5:	\$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	CHC	2-2	2.17	1	49.7	5	15/57	1.08
26	LAA	2-2	3.41	2	58	7	21/63	1.20

One of the names mentioned for closing games in the Angles bullpen this year. Since moving away from starting he's had a better strikeout profile and good control, which makes him a plausible closer, though from 2022 to 2025 he pitched a total of 26 minor league innings struggling with elbow injuries, which could mean less wear and tear on his arm, but also means four years of the effects of aging.

Cody Ponce

Throws: R Age: 32

\$8

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2:	\$3:	\$4:	\$5:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	KBO	17-1	1.89	0	180.7	10	41/252	0.94
26	TOR	9-9	4.00	0	150	20	44/148	1.25

He last pitched in the majors with the Pirates in 2021, then headed to Japan, where he continued to pitch to contact with great control in limited innings for three years. Last year he headed to Korea, added a devastating change up that is eight mph slower than his heater and

drops as it reaches the plate, and he ramped up his heater into the high 90s, and the results were spectacular. He set a KBO record for most strikeouts in a season, lost but one game, and brought his career back to the, er, provinces. The best recent comp is Eric Fedde, who had similar striking success in Korea, striking out 10.4 per 9 after striking out 6.7 per 9 in Washington the year before. Back in the USA, in 2024, he reverted to a pitch to contact control artist, but lost the control in 2025 while pitching to even more contact. That doesn't mean Ponce is toast, his velocity improvement and new pitch might be game changers, but it should serve as a warning that they may not be.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: He's returning from Korea after posting a monster season and winning the MVP Award. The fastball velocity is up, and the splitter is proving to be virtually unhittable. As a late-round buy there's nothing but upside.

Zach Pop

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$3	\$1	\$3:	\$10 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	1-2	5.05	1	35.7	4	14/34	1.43
24	TOR	2-4	5.59	1	48.3	9	19/33	1.33
25	AAA	3-1	4.19	1	19.3	0	8/23	1.36

PJ Poulin

Throws: L Age: 30

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2:	\$3:	\$4:	\$5:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	WSN	2-1	3.65	1	24.7	2	13/27	1.46

All the guys in the mix for closer and setup roles in Washington DC have weak command and not much major league experience. Poulin fits right in, which isn't to say he's going to get the job but it's in the realm of possibility. TM:WAS

Cade Povich

Throws: L Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$2:	\$3:	\$4:	\$14 25:-\$18

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BAL	3-9	5.20	0	79.7	12	34/69	1.44
25	BAL	3-8	5.21	0	112.3	17	43/118	1.50
26	BAL	1-3	4.95	0	39	6	15/38	1.42

He was in the Orioles rotation all season except for the two months he was on the IL with hip inflammation, but did not establish himself as a starter for the future. He was a little effective his first time through the order, ineffective his second time through, and in the few games he got to a third time through he was completely ineffective. He's young enough he'll get some further development in the minors with time to figure things out or transition to a bullpen role. He's not a fantasy factor to start this year.

Connor Prielipp

Throws: L Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	1-9	4.03	0	82.7	7	31/98	1.52
26	MIN	3-2	3.92	0	61	7	23/61	1.31

After TJ in 2021 and internal brace TJ in 2023, he pitched 23.3 minor league innings in 2024 and 82.7 innings last year, a healthy progression. He was fairly dominant in Double-A with

good control though he struggled with in four starts in Triple-A. He'll likely return to Triple-A this year with his fine fastball and great slider and try to establish himself as a starter for the majors. There are skeptics who say he's better suited to relief because he lacks a third pitch. With all the time he's missed he's on track to perhaps reach the majors in some role this summer, and immediate major league success is possible. His slider is that good.

Quinn Priester

Throws: R Age: 26

\$9

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2:	\$3:-\$19	\$4:-\$9	\$5:-\$10	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PIT	3-3	7.74	0	50	12	27/36	1.70
24	---	3-6	4.71	0	49.7	7	14/33	1.42
25	MIL	13-3	3.32	0	157.3	18	50/132	1.24
26	MIL	11-9	3.95	0	169	21	54/138	1.29

A 2019 first rounder, No. 18 overall out of high school, he was solid enough in Triple-A to get major league shots in Pittsburgh and Boston, but when he didn't take off both moved on quickly. Milwaukee gave him a chance and after some early struggles he blossomed. From June 28th on he made 14 starts (8 quality) with an 8.55 strikeout per 9 rate, walking 2.50 and allowing 1.04 homers. He had a 3.02 ERA, with a 3.51 xFIP. Not an ace but an apparently solid mid-rotation starter. His improvement came as he bumped the use of his splitter. Priester is the right age to make these adjustments stick, though that is far from guaranteed.

A.J. Puk

Throws: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$4	\$5	\$6	\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	7-5	3.97	15	56.7	10	13/78	1.18
24	---	4-9	3.15	3	71.3	5	28/88	1.11

Cal Quantrill

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$15	\$10	\$3:-\$13	\$4:-\$23 25:-\$24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	4-7	5.24	0	99.7	11	35/58	1.46
24	COL	8-11	4.98	0	148.3	23	69/110	1.52
25	---	4-12	6.04	0	117.7	22	35/85	1.46

Jose Quintana

Throws: L Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	\$4	\$10	\$0	\$4

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYM	3-6	3.57	0	75.7	5	24/60	1.31
24	NYM	10-10	3.75	0	170.3	22	63/135	1.25
25	MIL	11-7	3.96	0	131.7	18	50/89	1.30
26	---	9-9	4.33	0	145	19	55/106	1.36

He's been doing a lot with a little in recent years and managed to make 24 starts for the over performing Brewers last year. That keeps him on the marginal edge of fantasy value.

Cole Ragans

Throws: L Age: 29

\$19

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	\$2:-\$6	\$3:-\$8	\$4:-\$21	\$5:-\$3	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	7-5	3.00	0	96	7	41/113	1.16
24	KCR	11-9	3.14	0	186.3	15	67/223	1.14
25	KCR	3-3	4.67	0	61.7	7	20/98	1.19
26	KCR	11-8	3.43	0	172	17	61/218	1.16

The Royals opening day starter strained a groin and missed a start late in April, then hit the IL in mid May with a further strained groin. He was reinstated in early June but six days later was pulled from a game with a rotator cuff strain and didn't make it back onto the field until mid-September. He made three starts to close out the season, striking out 22 in 12.3 innings and walking four. That should be enough to allay fears that last year's injuries will carry over to this year, but the series of injuries one after the other still has to be of concern. He did hold up in 2024, so maybe this was just freakish.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Hampered by injuries, and BABIP soared when on the mound. But skills were solid, resulting in one of the highest K-BB% rates in the game. His expected ERA was almost two runs lower than actual ERA. Worth the injury risk; invest.
MIKE PODHORZER PICK: These were the best skills he has ever posted says both SIERA and Statcast's xERA, but an absurd BABIP and depressed LOB% blew up his ERA. Pounce on any discount.

Yohan Ramirez

Throws: R Age: 21

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E	21:-\$3	22:-\$5	23:-\$6	24:-\$14	25:-\$9			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	1-0	4.00	0	38.3	3	17/35	1.46
24	---	0-5	6.20	1	45	4	17/45	1.47
25	AAA	2-1	3.19	7	31	2	12/41	1.26
25	PIT	3-3	5.40	0	33.3	4	16/45	1.48
26	PIT	2-3	4.62	0	50	5	21/52	1.37

He's pitched for eight different teams since 2022, but stuck all year with the Pirates in 2025, half the year in Triple-A and the remainder in Pittsburgh. He worked in middle relief and walked more than you'd like to see but jacked up his strikeouts while throwing more fastballs and fewer sliders.

Drew Rasmussen

Throws: R Age: 31 **\$13**

YR/C	21:	22:\$7	23:\$12	24:\$2	25:\$8	2026		
YR/E	21:\$7	22:\$19	23:\$4	24:-\$1	25:\$26	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TBR	4-2	2.62	0	44.7	2	11/47	1.05
24	TBR	0-2	2.83	1	28.7	0	6/35	1.10
25	TBR	10-5	2.76	0	150	18	37/127	1.02
26	TBR	11-9	3.39	0	171	18	45/159	1.14

He's had three TJ's, the most recent in 2023 used the internal brace procedure that is supposed to make recovery quicker. It worked, as Rasmussen set a personal best in innings pitched, though he was handled carefully and pitched six innings only five times. The results were solid, though his ERA was depressed by a low BABIP and a high LOB%, and he pitched more to contact, inducing a lot of ground balls. His xERA of 3.43 is a better indicator of how he pitched, though another year on from his recovery could see him take another step up. Or see his elbow break down for the final time.

Robbie Ray

Throws: L Age: 35 **\$8**

YR/C	21:\$5	22:\$24	23:\$14	24:\$3	25:\$11	2026		
YR/E	21:\$33	22:\$8	23:	24:-\$4	25:\$10	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SFG	3-2	4.70	0	30.7	6	15/43	1.16
25	SFG	11-8	3.65	0	182.3	22	73/186	1.21
26	SFG	10-11	4.15	0	180	25	79/190	1.29

He's recovered from his 2023 TJ and is back warts and all. He had that monster 2021 season, which put him in the company of aces, but he's otherwise not earned again like that because of his control issues and the number of fly balls he allows that go over the fence. It isn't inconceivable for him to put together another brilliant season, his stuff is good, but there are enough warts that the odds are seriously against it.

Marco Raya

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-8	6.02	0	98.7	16	57/102	1.63

TM:MIN

Colin Rea

Throws: R Age: 36 **\$1**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:\$2	24:-\$2	25:\$3	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	6-6	4.55	0	124.7	23	38/110	1.19
24	MIL	12-6	4.29	1	167.7	29	43/135	1.27
25	CHC	11-7	3.95	1	159.3	20	44/127	1.25
26	CHC	5-4	4.25	0	81	12	23/65	1.26

He's a crafty righty who seems ill cast as a starter given his struggles the second time through the lineup, much less the third. He managed to win 11 games mixing in good outings between the bad ones. He's streamable. He went 7-0 with a 2.17 ERA against teams with a <.500 winning percentage and 4-7 with a 6.10 ERA against teams with a >.500 winning percentage. But you have to be disciplined.

Orlando Ribalta

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$14			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-2	2.82	5	54.3	5	32/77	1.29
25	AAA	0-0	2.00	0	9	1	4/7	1.22

TM:WSN

Lyon Richardson

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$9			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	0-3	3.50	0	69.3	2	38/100	1.28
24	AAA	1-7	4.67	0	98.3	8	59/93	1.52
25	AAA	5-0	4.22	0	32	3	13/32	1.38
25	CIN	0-3	4.54	0	37.7	2	21/30	1.56
26	CIN	1-1	4.73	0	22	3	11/19	1.49

He was outrighted off the Reds 40 man in January after a season of struggle.

Ethan Roberts

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:			
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$7	25:			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHC	1-1	3.71	0	26.7	3	10/26	1.56
25	AAA	2-4	2.16	3	41.7	2	20/54	1.33

Joe Rock

Throws: L Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-7	5.21	0	96.7	16	39/88	1.47

TM:TBR

Kumar Rocker

Throws: R Age: 27 **\$4**

YR/C	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$14	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	0-1	1.96	0	36.7	2	5/55	0.79
25	TEX	4-5	5.74	0	64.3	11	23/56	1.47
26	TEX	7-9	4.43	0	131	18	44/116	1.32

He only made five starts before hitting the IL with a shoulder issue. He had an 8.10 ERA in those games and a 4.39 FIP while striking out 16 in 20 innings walking only 5. When he returned the bad luck went away, leaving the same mediocre performer, not ready for major league prime time. Rocker was a No. 3 overall pick in 2022 and had TJ in 2023, so he's missed out on significant development time. He's also known for his mercurial mechanics and ever mutating style. His emergence as a front line starter was interrupted by his struggles last year. He's not guaranteed to succeed, but it's a mistake to write him off too quickly.

Carlos Rodon

Throws: L Age: 34 **\$13**

YR/C	21:\$2	22:\$19	23:\$20	24:\$13	25:\$13	2026		
YR/E	21:\$30	22:\$28	23:-\$15	24:\$6	25:\$31	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYG	3-8	6.85	0	64.3	15	28/64	1.45
24	NYG	16-9	3.96	0	175	31	57/195	1.22
25	NYG	18-9	3.09	0	195.3	22	73/203	1.05
26	NYG	12-9	3.88	0	162	24	59/172	1.20

He had surgery to fix a bone spur and remove detritus from his elbow in October and isn't expected to be ready to take the mound until the end of April. Such recovery times are variable and sometimes pitchers don't regain their skills right away, reasons to spend lightly on Rodon. His fantasy value was beefed up last year by a super-low BABIP, but his performance dipped in the second half, maybe the result of the pain in his elbow when he threw. A wide range of outcomes are possible for Rodon.

Elmer Rodriguez

Throws: L Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	11-8	2.58	0	150	3	57/176	1.07
26	NYG	1-1	4.22	0	10	1	4/9	1.35

He's only made one Triple-A start so far, but he burned up High- and Double-A last year after seeing his velocity jump up into the high 90s. He had a fine curve ball and good control coming out of high school and the combination has pushed him into top prospect territory. He'll surely start the season in Triple-A but with success and experience a promotion to the big club could happen at any time.

Carlos Rodriguez

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	9-9	4.51	1	129.7	15	61/129	1.24
25	AAA	3-4	3.86	1	84	9	38/86	1.36

Eduardo Rodriguez

Throws: L Age: 33 **\$1**

YR/C	21:\$10	22:\$16	23:\$5	24:\$12	25:\$5	2026		
YR/E	21:\$1	22:-\$3	23:\$18	24:-\$11	25:-\$23	Bid Price		
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	13-9	3.30	0	152.7	15	48/143	1.15
24	ARI	3-4	5.04	0	50	8	19/47	1.50
25	ARI	9-9	5.02	0	154.3	25	60/143	1.54
26	ARI	9-9	4.71	0	143	21	53/127	1.43

Player Name

Since returning from a spring training lat strain in 2024 he's struggled with his control and the long ball. With decreased velocity from his glory days and a lot more walks and homers since his fine final low-velocity season in Detroit, he's working with a handicap it's going to be hard for him to escape. He knows how to pitch, so maybe he'll find a way, but it isn't likely.

Grayson Rodriguez

\$7

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21: 22:\$3 23:\$11 24:\$22 25:\$12 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$2 24:\$3 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BAL	7-4	4.35	0	122	16	42/129	1.34
24	BAL	13-4	3.86	0	116.7	15	36/130	1.25
26	LAA	10-7	3.84	0	129	16	42/140	1.23

He was expected to be ready for spring training last year after his 2024 season ending early because of a lat strain, but up popped a series of arm injuries that led to August surgery. He's supposed to be ready for spring training, but in November the Orioles dealt him to Angels for Taylor Ward. What?!?! We have nothing to go on about Rodriguez's health at this point except what the Angels say, so let's read into the Orioles thinking. They need pitching. They have a lot of hitting prospects and while those haven't been as dramatically productive as expected they aren't the problem. It seems the O's must be afraid of Rodriguez's injury history, his inability to stay healthy. So should you. He's shown terrific potential when able to pitch and he's still young but he's likely to have a limited workload, plays for a weak team, and gives every indication he's injury prone.

Manuel Rodriguez

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:\$3 25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TBR	3-4	2.15	2	37.7	3	11/34	1.08
25	TBR	1-2	2.08	0	30.3	2	6/25	1.06

Yariel Rodriguez

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:\$8 25:\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TOR	1-8	4.47	0	86.7	11	40/85	1.32
25	TOR	3-2	3.08	2	73	8	34/66	1.15
26	TOR	1-2	3.87	0	36	4	17/34	1.27

Has struggled with his control since arriving from Japan in 2024. He's expected to work in relief again this year and could have some fantasy value in holds leagues, but until he puts fewer runners on base he is not likely to be fantasy material.

Taylor Rogers

Throws: L Age: 36

YR/C 21:\$9 22:\$15 23:\$4 24:\$1 25:\$2
YR/E 21:\$2 22:\$5 23:\$1 24:\$3 25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	6-4	3.83	2	51.7	6	25/64	1.24
24	SFG	1-4	2.40	0	60	7	22/64	1.25
25	---	3-2	3.38	0	50.7	7	23/53	1.39

Trevor Rogers

\$13

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:\$4 22:\$20 23:\$9 24:\$6 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$17 22:\$5 23: 24:-\$24 25:\$29 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	---	2-11	4.92	0	124.3	14	56/97	1.58
25	AAA	0-3	5.51	0	32.7	4	9/29	1.58
25	BAL	9-3	1.81	0	109.7	6	29/103	0.91
26	BAL	10-10	3.86	0	175	19	60/153	1.27

Some noticed that he'd cut his minor league walk rate early last season, and pounced when he was called up in late May. The control improvement carried over and he was able to pitch while ahead in the count a lot more. In 2024 he was ahead in the count 168 times with a .486 OPS allowed and behind in the count 213 times with a 1.049 OPS allowed. Last year he was ahead in the count 180 times with a .418 OPS allowed and behind in the count 116 times with a .740 OPS allowed. That made all the difference, though he was also helped by a low BABIP and high LOB%. It was a similar bout of control that fired his fine 2021 season, though he also threw harder then, and there's no reason to think he won't go off the rails again as he did in 2022, though he's surely older and wiser today than back then. He's not ace material, he doesn't strike out hitters enough for that, but at a fair price he's a somewhat risky chance at a solid producer.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: Great comeback, but lots of luck helped. If you can get him at a reasonable price, maybe. However, that 1.81 ERA over 109 innings is going to drive up the price.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Sure, he's a great story, and looks to have fixed the woes that plagued him for a few years. But he's not going to repeat his 2025 stats again; someone will overpay.

Tyler Rogers

\$7

Throws: R Age: 36

YR/C 21:\$2 22:\$4 23: 24:\$1 25: 2026
YR/E 21:\$16 22:\$4 23:\$7 24:\$8 25:\$16 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	4-5	3.04	2	74	7	19/60	1.15
24	SFG	3-4	2.82	1	70.3	7	6/51	1.04
25	---	4-6	1.98	0	77.3	4	7/48	0.95
26	TOR	4-4	3.16	1	74	7	12/52	1.12

His run as a safe as milk middle reliever ended in 2024, but he bounced back last year and was actually a plus even in leagues that don't count holds. And he ranked 12th in baseball in holds. That's not something that can be counted on from an aging arm, but could reoccur if he stays healthy. And there is also the possibility of saves in a Blue Jay bullpen that is unsettled if not untalented.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Returning Toronto closer Jeff Hoffman gave up 15 HRs in 2025, and the Blue Jays seem to have responded by signing Rogers, who gave up 4 HR in 2025, en route to firing 1.98/0.94 decimals, a 62%/18% GB/FB split, and a 1.7% Barrel%BF, the lowest of all pitchers in 2025 (Hoffman was at 7.7%). By the time draft season starts in earnest, Rogers might already be established as the Blue Jays closer, but if not, a low-price bet on that happening looks pretty sound.

ALEX PATTON PICK: The math is the math. He earned \$17 in 4x4 AND 5x5 last year.

Kendry Rojas

Throws: L Age: 23

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AAA 2-5 4.70 0 69 7 32/90 1.55

TM:MIN

Drew Rom

Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23:-\$20 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	1-4	8.02	0	33.7	7	19/32	2.08
25	AAA	0-1	3.86	0	23.3	2	6/24	0.91

Signed by the Brewers to a minor-league deal after his 2025 season ended early in June. .

Jordan Romano

\$3

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C 21:\$6 22:\$20 23:\$22 24:\$18 25:\$14 2026
YR/E 21:\$17 22:\$20 23:\$15 24: 25:-\$16 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	TOR	5-7	2.90	36	59	6	24/72	1.22
25	PHI	2-4	8.23	8	42.7	10	17/47	1.47
26	LAA	2-3	5.05	5	60	10	23/62	1.31

Joins an Angels bullpen that does not have a closer, so there has to be some hope he can return to his 2023 and earlier form. Injuries undermined him in the 2024 season and ended his 2025 season with neck stiffness and nerve issues in his hand. The Angels doctors passed his physical so maybe those issues are in the past. With the competition for the closer role and his recent injury history plus the team's reluctance to name a closer he shouldn't be too costly and even if he doesn't win the closer job he might help.

JoJo Romero

\$6

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$2 24:\$2 25:\$7 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	STL	4-2	3.68	3	36.7	1	10/42	1.06
24	STL	7-3	3.36	1	59	8	16/51	1.15
25	STL	4-6	2.07	8	61	2	29/55	1.25
26	STL	4-4	3.26	8	64	6	24/58	1.25

After the Cardinals traded away Ryan Helsley last year Romero shared the closer job with Riley O'Brien. They each did a fine job with limited tools that don't usually work for closers because there is always someone who looks like they might be better. They are in line to share the job this year. Romero will have fantasy value if he holds onto the job, but doesn't strike out enough hitters to warrant a speculative play.

Joe Ross

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:\$0 22: 23: 24:-\$5 25:-\$11

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	MIL	3-6	3.77	0	74	7	29/66	1.36
25	PHI	2-1	5.12	0	51	8	18/39	1.47

Landen Roupp

\$1

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$5 25:-\$7 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	SFG	1-2	3.58	0	50.3	2	26/47	1.38
25	SFG	7-7	3.80	0	106.7	11	45/102	1.49
26	SFG	7-8	3.97	0	132	13	55/123	1.39

His season ended in mid August when he was struck on the knee by a lined comebacker,

deeply bruising the bone. That was less than a week after he returned from three weeks on the IL with elbow inflammation. He opened the season as the Giants fifth starter and pitched like a fifth starter and a ground ball pitcher. He walked a few more than you'd like while a few too many ground balls made their way through the infield. That's not a winning fantasy value profile, but his final numbers were seriously hurt by two games he pitched between IL stints, during which he allowed three homers and 10 earned runs while walking three in 5.3 innings. Up to the time he went on the IL, including his somewhat rough April, he had a 3.11 ERA (3.62/4.10 FIP/xFIP) striking out 8.4 and walking 3.7 per 9, allowing .71 homers per 9. He mostly throws a sinker-curve combo, with some change ups mixed in, and generally isn't squared up on, which perhaps offers a map to fantasy value. But unless he cuts the walks it's not a likely one.

Chris Roycroft

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	\$7 25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	STL	1-2	4.19	0	34.3	2	17/33	1.41
25	AAA	3-2	4.82	5	46.7	4	24/47	1.60

Jackson Rutledge

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25-\$17				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	8-4	3.71	0	119	12	55/106	1.27
24	AAA	4-9	6.40	0	122.3	17	77/128	1.68
25	WSN	4-2	5.77	0	73.3	16	24/65	1.52

Joe Ryan

Throws: R Age: 30 **\$22**

YR/C 21:	22:\$10	23:\$15	24:\$20	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$1	22:\$12	23:\$7	24:\$17	25:\$23	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	11-10	4.51	0	161.7	32	34/197	1.17
24	MIN	7-7	3.60	0	135	19	23/147	0.99
25	MIN	13-10	3.42	0	171	26	39/194	1.04
26	MIN	12-10	3.67	0	182	27	40/201	1.07

His 2024 season ended with a shoulder strain, but he arrived in camp healthy and went on to have a great first half. At the end of July he was earning \$35 in AL-only roto, but he stumbled home the rest of the way as he always does. In his career Ryan has a 3.26 ERA before the All Star break and a 4.71 afterwards. What's interesting about this is that his xFIPs are nearly identical, 3.82 in the first half, 3.79 in the second. The difference is homers allowed. As a fly ball pitcher it isn't surprising Ryan gives up 1.17 HR/9 in the first half, but over his career he's allowed an ugly 1.84 per 9 after the break. The effect is so consistent that in no year has Ryan been better as measured by ERA after the break than before. Ryan's bread and butter is his four-seam fastball, which he throws with confidence and control, and there is a rough correlation between how often he throws it and his bad months. The fewer the fastballs the more walks and more homers allowed. Maybe. Fatigue might also play a part. So the question is, can you deal Ryan in your league before he goes bad this year?

JEFF WINICK PICK: The first half was so good that it made the second half look worse

than it really was. All the skills say that the first half was the mark of things to come. Buy with confidence.

River Ryan

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:-\$1	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAD	1-0	1.33	0	20.3	1	9/18	1.19
26	LAD	2-2	3.87	0	45	6	18/39	1.30

He had TJ in August of 2024 and is expected to be right as a river come spring training. There's no room in the Dodger rotation now, of course, but recent history tells us there will be a day they'll need to go the Oklahoma City for an arm. Ryan is, if recovered, a solid starting prospect with terrific stuff and a variety of pitches that he controls modestly well. He should make a good reserve pick even in more shallow leagues, assuming he doesn't make the opening day roster.

Andrew Saalfrank

Throws: L Age: 29 **\$1**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	8-2	2.53	2	64	2	35/93	1.25
24	AAA	4-1	2.63	3	24	2	10/28	1.13
25	ARI	2-1	1.24	3	29	1	10/19	1.00
26	ARI	3-3	4.06	14	63	6	29/51	1.38

After August 10 last year he saved three games and earned holds in four others while striking out 5.40 per 9 and walking 3.24. His 1.62 ERA over that period was likely lucky due to a miniscule BABIP of .191 and a high LOB% of 82.2 percent. He is currently listed as the D-Backs closer or as part of a committee to close games for Phoenix until Justin Martinez and/or AJ Puk return from their TJ's, in the second half of this coming season. Anything's possible and if he is part of the mix he's worth a small bid, but his is not the profile of a pitcher to be used in high leverage situations.

Erik Sabrowski

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$0				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	8-3	3.51	0	48.7	2	32/79	1.56
25	CLE	0-1	1.84	0	29.3	2	21/42	1.20
26	CLE	2-2	3.24	0	61	6	31/72	1.24

Was sharp as a setup man after getting a late start on the season because of elbow inflammation.

Chris Sale

Throws: L Age: 37 **\$27**

YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$14	23:\$13	24:\$17	25:\$27	2026			
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:	23:\$5	24:\$39	25:\$20	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	6-5	4.30	0	102.7	15	29/125	1.13
24	ATL	18-3	2.38	0	177.7	9	39/225	1.02
25	ATL	7-5	2.58	0	125.7	11	32/165	1.07
26	ATL	13-7	3.00	0	169	16	44/211	1.08

It was an ugly April for Sale coming off his Cy Young award-winning season, but the ugliness was primarily the result of bad BABIP luck and some inopportune home runs and he soon turned it around. He was cruising in late June when he made a diving play, landed on his ribs, and fractured his rib cage, landing on the IL for

two months. When he returned in late August he was even more effective than he'd been earlier in the season. While his injury last year wasn't caused by pitching, per se, the story with Sale is always how many innings are you going to get. He's topped 150 twice in the last eight years. He doesn't appear to have diminished at all as he's aged, maybe a tribute to the time he lost, so bidding is a game of chicken, depending on how many great innings you hope to get from him.

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: 2021-25: 2.95/1.09, 31% K%, 25% K-bb. Ace-level, and early NFBCs are paying ace-level price, at ADP 36. But 2021-25 GS: 9-2-29-20. Price the skills, you risk the PT. Price the PT, you ain't getting the player. Bryan Woo (see below) is going six picks later, which is much safer.

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: The "don't draft injury risks" scolds sure get awful quiet when it comes to Sale, a soon-to-be 37-year-old arm who has topped 20 starts and 126 innings once since 2020. He's great when he's on the mound; I don't want to be the one holding the bag if and when it all comes unraveling due to Father Time.

Cristopher Sanchez

Throws: L Age: 30 **\$28**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$13	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:-\$8	23:\$11	24:\$10	25:\$37	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	3-5	3.44	0	99.3	16	16/96	1.05
24	PHI	11-9	3.32	0	181.7	11	44/153	1.25
25	PHI	13-5	2.50	0	202	12	44/212	1.06
26	PHI	14-8	3.08	0	201	16	48/195	1.15

He's made steady improvement the last three years, going from a rough pitch-to-contact lefty with some control issues to a somewhat dominant pitcher with pinpoint control who throws a ton of ground balls. He ranked fourth in groundball percentage last year, but of those four he had the highest strikeout rate and the lowest walk rate. It's the whole package that matters. Can he repeat? He was maybe a tad lucky with runners left on base and his low HR/FB suggests he might allow more homers, but he's so consistently adept at preventing pull fly balls that maybe he won't. He's missed only one start the last three years, which speaks to durability, though that of course can't be taken for granted. Expect a touch of regression this year but with the potential for more wins if there is a little more run support and a better bullpen behind him. He's an ace and should be paid like it.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Remember the blurb on Jhoan Duran and his combined GB + K%? Sanchez's 64.8% mark is the top SP on the list, in 5th place (José Soriano was sixth). Just sayin'. Sanchez also finished second in NL Cy voting with 2.50/1.06 decimals and posted above-average Stuff+ on all four of his pitches.

David Sandlin

Throws: R Age: 25

R	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	9-6	4.50	0	106	10	40/107	1.37
26	BOS	1-1	4.57	0	18	3	6/16	1.34

A 2023 11th rounder, he's battled injuries after signing but stayed healthy last year and was a force in Double-A, winning pitcher of the week

Player Name

twice. His fastball can touch triple digits but struggled with his weak breaking stuff more after promotion to Triple-A and was done in by walks and homers. The Red Sox moved him to the bullpen last August and his immediate future value will depend on what role they give him. He shouldn't be a draft day factor, but could be an inseason pickup either for better or worse.

Nick Sandlin

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:\$2 22:\$1 23:\$5 24:-\$1 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	5-5	3.75	0	60	12	24/66	1.03
24	CLE	8-0	3.75	1	57.7	12	27/68	1.28
25	AAA	0-1	14.73	0	3.7	2	3/5	3.44

He missed much of 2025 with a bum elbow, but has solid middle relief skills when healthy.

Patrick Sandoval

Throws: L Age: 30

YR/C 21: 22:\$10 23:\$9 24:\$3 25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$2 22:\$11 23:-\$8 24:-\$16 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	7-13	4.11	0	144.7	12	74/128	1.51
24	LAA	2-8	5.08	0	79.7	8	35/81	1.52
26	BOS	3-5	4.42	0	80	8	34/75	1.43

Had internal brace TJ in June 2024 and not only didn't make it back in the 10-12 time frame, he didn't pitch at any level in 2025. He's now expected to be ready at the start of spring training and will compete for a spot in the Red Sox rotation, though the team has many options.

Cole Sands

Throws: R Age: 29

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YR/C 21:\$4 22: 23: 24: 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21: 22:-\$7 23: 24:\$10 25:-\$1 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	0-2	1.47	4	30.7	2	10/41	0.88
24	MIN	9-1	3.28	4	71.3	6	12/85	1.00
25	MIN	4-6	4.50	3	72	7	19/64	1.17
26	MIN	5-3	3.93	3	68	7	19/67	1.18

A very low LOB% hurt his ERA and left him with little overall fantasy value, but he was generally an effective setup guy for the Twins who earned some saves as well as holds. He lost a little velocity on his four seamer and cutter compared to 2024 and struggled some while he threw his splitter harder and more effectively. He could be in the mix for saves this year in an unsettled Twins bullpen and is worth a little attention until he's ruled out.

ALEX PATTON PAN: He relies on five pitches to get batters out, all of them with league-average velocity. Twins need a closer but this isn't the right recipe.

Alimber Santa

Throws: R Age: 23

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AAA 3-2 2.31 2 70 2 39/82 1.21

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Dennis Santana

Throws: R Age: 30

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YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$2 2026
YR/E 21:-\$3 22:-\$8 23: 24:\$2 25:\$19 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	5-3	4.91	5	33	6	20/41	1.82
24	---	3-1	3.89	3	71.7	4	21/69	1.10
25	PIT	4-5	2.18	16	70.3	5	17/60	0.87
26	PIT	4-3	3.64	16	68	6	22/63	1.16

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Took over the closer role last year after David Bednar was dealt having auditioned early in the season when Bednar struggled and was demoted. As he's lost some velocity over the years he's changed his mix from slider-sinker-change to slider-four seamer-cutter, with much better results even while losing a couple of ticks. The slider was key, closing 73 percent of his strikeouts. Still, striking out just 7.7 hitters per 9 is not a typical closer profile, and while the Pirates are likely to go with him to start the season if he succeeds he might end up as trade bait.

ALEX PATTON PICK: Statcast doesn't think much of his five-pitch arsenal. His xERA was 3.55, his xFIP 4.17. People notice these things - I won't be surprised if there are a few pans right here - and that will keep his price down.

Tony Santillan

Throws: R Age: 29

\$2

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:-\$2 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:\$10 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	1-2	7.88	2	32	5	28/40	2.06
24	CIN	3-3	3.00	0	30	4	9/46	1.00
25	CIN	1-5	2.44	7	73.7	7	29/75	1.12
26	CIN	4-4	3.60	3	70	9	30/75	1.26

As a setup guy he can earn more than his price because he pitches well, but if you add him you're filling a roster spot that might better go to a saves guy or a starter. Santillan's ERA last year was a bit lucky, his FIP and xFIP of 3.72 and 4.05 better describe his performance.

Gregory Santos

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$2 24: 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHW	2-2	3.39	5	66.3	2	17/66	1.30
25	AAA	0-0	5.40	0	5	0	9/5	2.60

Limited the last two years because of knee and arm issues, he signed a minor-league contract with the Giants.

Winston Santos

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	11-6	3.67	0	110.3	11	34/138	1.14
25	AAA	0-0	6.75	0	17.3	0	7/26	1.70
26	TEX	1-0	4.11	0	10	1	3/9	1.24

He missed most of last year with a stress reaction in his back, and when he returned he got beat up pretty bad. He also struggled in the Arizona Fall League. He'll compete for a starting slot this spring but is more likely headed back to Triple-A to make up for some of the time he missed.

Jonathan Santucci

Throws: L Age: 24

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AA 9-4 3.06 0 117.7 9 41/138 1.16

A 2024 second rounder, No. 46 overall by the Mets, his path forward has been slowed by a series of injuries, but he stayed healthy last year and had better control than in the past. That gives him some chance of winning a rotation spot at some point, with continued improvement this year, maybe in 2027.

Roki Sasaki

Throws: R Age: 25

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YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$17 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$7 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NPB	10-5	2.35	0	111	2	32/129	
25	LAD	1-1	4.46	0	36.3	6	22/28	1.44
26	LAD	6-6	4.20	0	128	16	51/119	1.32

When he signed we were warned that he was not yet whole, which he proved in eight starts to begin the season, walking 22 in 34.3 innings while striking out 24. Then, he broke down physically, hitting the IL with a shoulder impingement. He returned at the end of September and made two scoreless relief appearances. He saved three playoff games and earned two holds while striking out six and walking five in 10.7 innings, his components not aligning with a super low ERA and the good outcomes. The Dodgers say he'll return to the rotation this year, another year older and maybe better prepared, but for all the hype and money invested it doesn't look like he's ready. Last year's small sample could mean we didn't see his best, but it also might mean he's had less chance to advance approach. He was hit hard by lefties and only a little less hard by righties, allowing six homers in 36.3 innings. The Dodger will be working with him, but he's not only going to have to adjust to get major league hitters out he's also going to have to adjust to avoid further shoulder issues. Impingement is usually an overuse issue, but that wasn't Sasaki's problem last year, so his injury was likely the result of either muscle weakness or misguided mechanics. For a pitcher with nearly 400 professional innings under his belt, and a history of injuries, that's a lot of adjusting to get correct if he's going to contribute fantasy-wise this year.

TIM MCLEOD PAN: In 2025, Sasaki tossed 57 innings with 20 2/3 of that total coming at Triple-A Oklahoma. Until we can be satisfied that there is at least a Tyler Glasnow level of workload in his future it's best to simply avoid the situation. Let this be the Dodgers problem and not yours.

ALEX PATTON PICK: If he's used in long relief with enough rest in between, he'll be a potent weapon.

Taylor Saucedo

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:-\$7 22: 23:-\$2 24:-\$4 25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	3-2	3.59	1	47.7	2	23/43	1.34
24	SEA	2-0	3.49	3	38.7	3	18/38	1.39
25	AAA	3-0	2.75	1	19.7	3	10/24	1.35

Max Scherzer

Throws: R Age: 42

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YR/C 21:\$27 22:\$30 23:\$30 24:\$5 25:\$6 2026
YR/E 21:\$46 22:\$32 23:\$16 24:-\$3 25:-\$9 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	13-6	4.00	0	152.7	28	45/174	1.12
24	TEX	2-4	3.95	0	43.3	7	10/40	1.16
25	TOR	5-5	5.19	0	85	19	23/82	1.29
26	---	8-9	4.52	0	133	24	38/127	1.24

He's too old to expect much from, and he delivered last year. He was effective enough and brings enough savvy to perhaps get another chance this year, somewhere, but he's too old to be more than a fantasy desperation streamer.

Cam Schlittler

\$8

Throws: R	Age: 25							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-6	2.82	0	76.7	4	26/99	1.22
25	NYY	4-3	2.96	0	73	8	31/84	1.22
26	NYY	8-7	3.77	0	126	15	52/130	1.27

Called up in July, he struggled out of the gate, but after three weak starts found his stride and posted a 2.47 ERA (3.27 FIP) the rest of the way, while striking out 10.7 and walking 3.4 per 9. He also made two post-season starts with a 1.26 ERA in 14.3 innings, striking out 8.8 per 9 and walking none. Known for his big fastball, Schlittler's control has been an issue while he's been advancing through the minors. He threw his four seamer and cutter 75 percent of the time last year, much more than any other starter with more than 70 innings pitched. If you also include the splitter Kevin Gausman and Tyler Mahle are decent matches, not a terrible place to be but certainly an unusual one. Schlittler has a major league fastball but his ERA was seriously helped by a high strand rate. Consider his xERA of 4.11 a better estimate of his current skills and bid accordingly.

JEFF WINICK PICK: Growing velocity and control and a safe slot in the Yankees rotation means you want a ride on this train despite the hype. A rare instance where it's entirely warranted to go the extra dollar.

Clarke Schmidt

Throws: R	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$3	25:\$7				
YR/E 21:	22:\$0	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$6				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYY	9-9	4.64	0	159	24	46/149	1.35
24	NYY	5-5	2.85	0	85.3	8	30/93	1.19
25	NYY	4-4	3.32	0	78.7	9	30/73	1.10
26	NYY	2-2	3.42	0	32	4	11/32	1.18

Started the year on the IL, but the oft-injured Schmidt was having a nice season when he went down with a bad elbow in July. He ended up having the internal brace TJ and isn't expected back until the start of August. He is unlikely to be in top form at that point.

Jesse Scholtens

Throws: R	Age: 32							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-2	4.72	0	68.7	8	21/73	1.25

John Schreiber

Throws: R	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:\$11	23:\$4	24:\$3	25:\$0				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	2-1	3.86	1	46.7	6	25/53	1.41
24	KCR	4-3	3.66	2	51.7	1	20/46	1.33
25	KCR	3-3	3.80	1	64	10	19/62	1.19
26	KCR	3-3	3.91	1	64	7	23/59	1.28

He was an effective reliever who was used in high leverage situations. He should see fewer of those this year because of the addition of Matt Strahm to the Royals pen.

Spencer Schwellenbach

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Throws: R	Age: 26							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$19	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$14	25:\$17	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	ATL	8-7	3.35	0	123.7	14	23/127	1.05
25	ATL	7-4	3.09	0	110.7	13	18/108	0.97
26	ATL	11-8	3.42	0	167	19	34/165	1.09

He was diagnosed with a fracture in his elbow in early July and missed the rest of the season while healing. He was throwing again in September and is expected to be ready for camp in February. He had been a workhorse for the Braves after his promotion to the big club from Double-A in May of 2024, averaging nearly six innings per start that year and 6.5 per start in 2025. Logan Webb, who led the major in innings pitched last year, averaged just 6.1 innings per start. Schwellenbach's been masterful against righties, striking out 10.4 per 9 while walking only 0.85, and okay against lefties, striking out 7.7 and walking 2.3. He's also allowed 1.37 homers per 9 against lefties, while he shuts righties down with .70 per 9. Can he return to his iron man workload this year, or is the elbow injury a reminder that the body has its limits? Schwellenbach's mix of six pitches, especially his four-seamer, slider, splitter, and curve, generate lots of swing and miss, and should return him to near ace status in the Braves rotation this year if he can stay healthy.

Christian Scott

Throws: R	Age: 27							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NYM	0-3	4.56	0	47.3	8	12/39	1.21
26	NYM	1-2	4.03	0	51	7	14/46	1.19

He had the internal brace TJ in September 2024 and was pitching in simulated games last fall. He's expected to be healthy for the start of spring training, but is likely to start the season in Triple-A working out any kinks. He's shown fine control throughout his career but was less than dominant during his time with the Mets in 2024, allowing eight homers in 47.3 innings. If he's effective in the minors he could get the call to the big club at any time.

Tanner Scott

\$4

Throws: L	Age: 32							
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$1	23:\$2	24:\$17	25:\$17	2026			
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$8	23:\$20	24:\$19	25:\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	9-5	2.31	12	78	3	24/104	0.99
24	---	9-6	1.75	22	72	3	36/84	1.13
25	LAD	1-4	4.74	23	57	11	18/60	1.26
26	LAD	4-4	3.33	4	63	7	26/70	1.21

He went down in late July and missed a month with elbow inflammation, but he was already struggling before that, allowing eight homers in 45.7 innings. He allowed another three in 11.3 innings after he returned, but he did lead the beleaguered and expensive Dodger bullpen in saves while also leading baseball in blown saves. Seven of the 11 homers he allowed went out at Dodger Stadium, the best (for batters) park for allowing homers, so that may have hurt him, and if so it will hurt him again this year. He allowed a lot more fly balls last year, the opposite of a good approach in LA, and while he cut his walk rate he threw more strikes and was hit more often and harder. As

a setup guy behind Edwin Diaz Scott's ability to be consistently good isn't a big fantasy issue, but will affect his value as a closer in waiting if Sugar isn't that sweet this year.

ROTOROB PAN: May have suffered from a bit of bad luck last year, but it's hard to sugar coat his MLB leading 10 blown saves. He's unlikely to get many save chances this season, so only draft him for his holds and consider anything else gravy.

Andrew Sears

Throws: L	Age: 24							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	8-6	3.49	0	111	11	36/123	1.19
26	DET	1-0	4.23	0	10	1	4/8	1.37

A 10th round pick in 2023, No. 290 overall, he doesn't seem like a likely candidate for the Tigers rotation, but he succeeded in High-A and Double-A, mostly at the former last year. Of note because he was considered a potential reliever but showed enough with improved command for the organization to transition him to a starting role. Right now, with continued development, he's in line for a shot at the 2027 rotation, but we know how injuries and struggles can muddle things. He's not someone to target this year, but should be on your radar as a coming mid-rotation arm if needed.

JP Sears

Throws: L	Age: 30							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:\$1				
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$0	24:\$1	25:\$11				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	OAK	5-14	4.54	0	172.3	34	53/161	1.27
24	OAK	11-13	4.38	0	180.7	28	49/137	1.23
25	---	9-11	5.04	0	135.7	30	36/117	1.32
26	SDP	8-9	4.56	0	132	23	36/109	1.27

He's been very consistent the last three years, throwing strikes and home runs and the occasional strikeout. He allowed more hits than innings pitched last year for the first time, which does not help his fantasy reputation. He may pitch better than he did last year and not help your fantasy team.

Colin Selby

Throws: R	Age: 29							
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	0-0	3.86	6	30.3	0	22/41	1.35
24	AAA	2-3	4.85	4	39	4	19/54	1.31
25	AAA	3-0	2.45	2	25.7	2	13/35	1.35

Kodai Senga

\$7

Throws: R	Age: 33							
YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$13	24:\$8	25:\$12	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$19	24:	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYM	12-7	2.98	0	166.3	17	77/202	1.22
25	NYM	7-6	3.02	0	113.3	12	55/109	1.13
26	NYM	8-6	3.73	0	123	15	53/128	1.27

He was going good when he pulled a hamstring in mid June, with a 7-3 record and a 1.47 ERA (though the FIP/xFIP was 3.24/4.17). When he returned he couldn't get restarted. The rest of the way, until he was sent to the minors at the end of August, he was 0-3 with a 5.90 ERA (though his FIP/xFIP was 5.76/4.69). He walked 5.5 hitters per 9 after he returned and allowed eight homers in 39.7 innings. Chalk that rough patch up to the injury and disruptions in the aftermath, but it's hard to ignore that in his two major league seasons he's walked more than

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4.0 per 9, a burden it's tough to consistently overcome.

Luis Severino

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Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:\$4	22:\$11 23:\$14 24:\$3 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$11 23:\$24 24:\$4 25:\$7 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 NYY 4-8 6.65 0 89.3 23 34/79 1.65	
24 NYM 11-7 3.91 0 182 23 60/161 1.24	
25 ATH 8-11 4.54 0 162.7 16 50/124 1.31	
26 ATH 10-11 4.54 0 182 25 60/148 1.33	

He's proven his health the last two years, though he missed three weeks in August with an oblique strain, but has also demonstrated he doesn't strike hitters out the way he once did. This coincides with his move away from the four seamer and change up and toward the cutter and slider. Not only are the whiffs down but the contact (and hard contact) is up, which is why he's struggled to suppress runs even though he had a low HR/FB rate last year.

Paul Sewald

Throws: R	Age: 36
YR/C 21:	22:\$8 23:\$12 24:\$15 25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$18 23:\$14 24:\$1 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 --- 3-2 3.00 34 60.7 8 24/80 1.15	
24 ARI 1-2 4.31 16 39.7 6 10/43 1.15	
25 AAA 0-0 3.12 0 8.7 2 1/9 0.98	

Carson Seymour

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$7
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AAA 4-8 3.86 0 77 7 39/90 1.34	
25 SFG 1-3 4.75 0 36 9 13/26 1.39	

Ian Seymour

\$1

Throws: L	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AAA 9-3 2.62 0 86 10 20/104 1.14	
25 TBR 4-3 3.63 0 57 5 19/64 1.18	
26 TBR 6-6 4.03 0 109 15 35/107 1.23	

Made an appearance in early June but was called up for good just before the all star break. He worked in relief until late in August, striking out 9.5, walking 3.5 and allowing 1.2 home runs per 9. In five starts to close out the season he struck out 10.9, walked 2.5, and allowed .35 homers. He's known for a devastating changeup that plays up his not so fast fastball which is delivered with a deceptive motion that makes it harder for the hitter to pick up the ball. The Rays have a lot of options for their rotation, so Seymour's role to start the season is hard to pin down, and his rough breaking pitches may limit him to a relief role unless absolutely needed to start. But he's shown he can have some success with his unusual approach.

Emmet Sheehan

\$16

Throws: R	Age: 27
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$4 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$2 24: 25:\$11 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 LAD 4-1 4.92 1 60.3 11 26/64 1.19	
25 LAD 6-3 2.82 0 73.3 7 22/89 0.97	
26 LAD 9-6 3.58 0 154 21 53/176 1.13	

He returned in June after May 2024 TJ, was briefly sent down and after he returned he

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performed capably in a Dodger rotation full of guys returning from injury in last year's second half. The world champs babied him a bit, he worked on long rest and in relief at times, and the results have been encouraging. The issue, of course, is that the Dodgers have an all-star rotation without Sheehan, and while injuries to all of them are expected the uncertainty about how many innings will be available to him limits expectations. That might make him a bargain, or it might mean someone else's expectations aren't as limited as yours. There's plenty of upside here no matter the price, but also a chance he won't get enough of a chance to reach it.

JEFF WINICK PICK: Boy he looked overmatched in the playoffs. Boy does that create a buying opportunity.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Coming back from TJ, Sheehan notched a 3.29 ERA/0.99 WHIP in 10 full (non-opener) starts from July-September (54.2 IP), with a 30% K and 24% K-bb. That's on a par with Tarik Skubal's full season. Given Sheehan's status as a recently recovered TJ guy, plus the Dodgers' likelihood of using a six-man rotation, plus their penchant for creating rest periods with IL shenanigans, Sheehan is unlikely to pile up starts or innings. But while he's on the mound, with that lineup and bullpen, he is very likely to pile up fantasy value. Bid on 20-ish starts, 10-ish wins, 110 innings with a sub-4 ERA/1.15-ish WHIP.

Chase Shugart

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 PIT 4-3 3.40 0 45 6 17/31 1.11	
26 PIT 2-2 3.98 1 42 5 16/33 1.24	

He benefitted greatly last year as hitters didn't hit his fly balls, and there were quite a few of them, over the wall for homers.

Chase Silseth

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24:\$2 25:
YR/E 21:	22:\$8 23:\$2 24: 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 LAA 4-1 3.96 0 52.3 9 26/56 1.28	
24 AA 0-3 5.09 0 35.3 6 18/26 1.56	
25 AAA 3-3 3.52 3 46 1 25/55 1.33	
26 LAA 2-2 3.98 0 55 7 23/55 1.32	

Is expected to work in middle relief this year since he's out of options. Control issues have followed him as he ascended through the Angels system in recent years.

Josh Simpson

Throws: L	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$16
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AAA 3-1 3.41 3 34.3 1 16/29 1.03	
25 MIA 4-2 7.34 0 30.7 5 22/36 1.85	

Lucas Sims

Throws: R	Age: 32
YR/C 21:\$3	22:\$7 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:\$1	22: 23:\$6 24:\$8 25:
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 CIN 7-3 3.10 3 61 5 39/72 1.18	
24 --- 1-6 4.38 1 49.3 8 30/49 1.45	
25 AAA 4-1 5.56 1 34 4 29/36 1.53	

Brady Singer

\$4

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$4 23:\$11 24:\$3 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$12 23:\$18 24:\$3 25:\$4 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 KCR 8-11 5.52 0 159.7 20 49/133 1.45	
24 KCR 9-13 3.71 0 179.7 22 54/170 1.28	
25 CIN 14-12 4.03 0 169.7 19 60/163 1.24	
26 CIN 11-12 4.25 0 176 23 58/164 1.30	

He's made every start the last two years and been just fine, relying on a slider-sinker combo 80 percent of the time. Last year he added in a cutter and curiously saw his fly ball rate jump. That's not supposed to be a good approach to pitching in Great American Ballpark, but it worked for him last year. His stats have aligned with his expected stats for the most part, except for his big 2022 season, when a lower ERA earned expectations that weren't met the next year or since. A small bet is fairly safe, and maybe you'll get lucky if you win.

Evan Sisk

Throws: L	Age: 29
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
25 AAA 0-2 4.38 5 37 4 15/42 1.65	
26 PIT 2-2 3.81 0 52 5 23/52 1.35	

Finally made the majors last year and flashed his big strikeout stuff and his big walk problem. He may eke out a major league career for a while with that mix, but unless he cuts down on the baserunners he's fantasy toxic.

Paul Skenes

\$36

Throws: R	Age: 24
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$34 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:\$34 25:\$47 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
24 PIT 11-3 1.96 0 133 10 32/170 0.95	
25 PIT 10-10 1.97 0 187.7 11 42/216 0.95	
26 PIT 14-8 2.43 0 196 15 49/235 1.01	

His second season almost matched his first, he's one of the best in the business, but he was hit harder and allowed more fly balls. That doesn't seem to have affected his results, even as his velocity ticked down a bit late in the year. Given his youth and workload that's got to be considered when you decide to go all in on an ace on auction day. Playing on a bad team costs him wins, and the risk of injury is a second reason not to go quite as hard as you might for Skubal.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: Yes, he's going to cost a bundle, but there's a chance that the best has yet to come.

Tarik Skubal

\$38

Throws: L	Age: 30
YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$10 23:\$2 24:\$24 25:\$34 2026
YR/E 21:\$0	22:\$5 23:\$16 24:\$48 25:\$51 Bid Price
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP	
23 DET 7-3 2.80 0 80.3 4 14/102 0.90	
24 DET 18-4 2.39 0 192 15 35/228 0.92	
25 DET 13-6 2.21 0 195.3 18 33/241 0.89	
26 DET 16-7 2.54 0 202 19 39/245 0.95	

For the last two and a half years there has been no one better on the mound, and the fact is that he was better last year than he was in 2024. There is no reason to think he can't do this until his arm falls off, as it will one day, but in the meantime he'll be expensive and worth every penny until that day comes.

ROTOROB PICK: There's reason to believe that Skubal may not be able to post a 2.21

ERA again in 2026, but we're not projecting a big decline. However, his durability and massive strikeout numbers (second in majors last season) in an era when even 200 K pitchers are rare makes him worth the large investment.

Justin Slaten

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:-\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BOS	6-2	2.93	2	55.3	4	9/58	1.02
25	BOS	2-4	4.24	3	34	3	10/25	1.09
26	BOS	4-3	3.79	2	61	6	18/57	1.19

A shoulder injury cost him three months last year and he did not have the same verve he showed in his rookie season. He's expected to be healthy this year.

AJ Smith-Shawver

Throws: R Age: 24

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:	25:-\$5

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	1-0	4.00	0	25.3	7	11/20	1.11
24	AAA	3-8	4.85	0	89	21	40/108	1.24
25	ATL	3-2	3.86	0	44.3	4	21/42	1.43
26	ATL	1-1	3.66	0	15	2	7/15	1.35

Had June TJ and is expected to miss all of the 2026 season.

Cade Smith

Throws: R Age: 27 **\$18**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$18	25:\$14	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CLE	6-1	1.91	1	75.3	1	17/103	0.91
25	CLE	8-5	2.93	16	73.7	4	19/104	1.01
26	CLE	5-3	2.72	28	70	4	20/91	1.03

Stepped up from premiere setup guy to closer when Emmanuel Clase face-planted. Coming up he struggled throwing strikes with his unhit-table stuff, but he's reined in that as a major leaguer. As long as he can pitch he seems likely to be a very effective closer, but he's topped 70 innings two years in a row, a level that has been exceeded by closers only 24 times in the last five years. Three of those belong to Clase, who did it in 2022, 2023, and 2024, and look what happened to him in 2025. Scott Barlow did it in 2021 and 2022 and since then he's continued to pitch but his velocity has declined, he's walking more guys and he's only had 16 saves (13 in 2023). Relievers pitch a lot of stressful innings and they have to warm up many more times than in the season than they pitch. This isn't a prediction that Cade falters this year, Clase didn't in his third year until the playoffs, but the odds are increasing he will.

JEFF WINICK PICK: In a world where there's no such thing as a safe closer, Mr. Smith comes as close as it gets. And no, you don't need to worry about the return of Clase.

Hagen Smith

Throws: L Age: 23

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	3-3	3.57	0	75.7	5	56/108	1.30

The No. 5 overall in 2024 out of Arkansas, he has a heckuva slider and a 99 mph heater and a heap of troubles. He spent a good part of the first half on the minor league IL with elbow soreness and the rest of the season trying to

find the strike zone. When he gets swings he gets a lot of miss, which is why he was drafted so aggressively, but there is not a quick path to the majors when you're walking more than 17 percent of the batters you face. He did throw 14 innings in the Arizona Fall League and walked only six, a more palatable but still elevated 10.5 percent walk rate. The issue for Smith isn't nibbling because he's afraid to get hit, but rather a developing mechanics that helps him reproduce his motion. When he figures it out, assuming he will, he should be promoted quickly and could very quickly succeed. But given his struggles last year don't count on that ascendance this year. TM:CWS

Shane Smith

Throws: R Age: 26 **\$7**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	6-3	3.05	1	94.3	6	29/113	1.05
25	CHW	7-8	3.81	0	146.3	17	58/145	1.20
26	CHW	8-11	4.26	0	168	23	65/158	1.29

His rookie season was a mixed bag but an overall positive first step as a big leaguer. His four-seamer was his dominant pitch challenging hitters up in the zone, while he would change up at a similar speed with the sinker down in the zone. He didn't allow too many hits last year, his BABIP was a little lucky, which is why his xERA is a bit higher at 4.01. He could use a little more swing and miss in his mix, but his biggest limitation is the walks. Cutting the number of those might make him a fantasy darling.

DAVE ADLER PICK: A bit under the radar, toiling on the South Side. Looks like he faded in the second half, but big boost to K% indicates there may be more goodness to come. Fewer walks and this becomes a really solid skill set. Can probably be had cheaply in the end-game.

Blake Snell

Throws: L Age: 34 **\$15**

YR/C 21:	\$23	22:\$15	23:\$16	24:\$15	25:\$23	2026
YR/E 21:	\$0	22:\$6	23:\$31	24:\$13	25:\$4	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	14-9	2.25	0	180	15	99/234	1.19
24	SFG	5-3	3.12	0	104	6	44/145	1.05
25	LAD	5-4	2.35	0	61.3	3	26/72	1.26
26	LAD	10-7	3.27	0	151	14	66/187	1.20

His injury history and history of walking too many for fantasy value have kept his price in check, while his potential to bust another great season is always lurking. There is no reason to expect more or different from Snell this season, which means paying up a little in order to catch lightning in a bottle.

JEFF WINICK PAN: Two seasons in his 10-year career with more than 130 innings pitched and he's now pitching in LA where they have trouble keeping arms healthy. Paying anything more than 60% of his potential value is throwing money away.

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: Was Snell's 2025 shoulder injury a harbinger of worse things to come or were the Dodgers cleverly manipulating the IL to keep their ace fresh in October? Maybe it was both. Or neither. Either way, count me out on Snell, a pitcher who is brilliant at his best, but who is a terrible bet for more than 120 innings in any given

season and always seems to put up at least one stinker that keeps his ERA and WHIP from being elite.

Robby Snelling

Throws: L Age: 23 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	9-7	2.51	0	136	10	39/166	1.11
26	MIA	7-8	4.20	0	120	15	41/105	1.33

A top prospect who was the 39th overall pick in the 2022 draft out of high school, he struck out a fair number last year while not walking many. He keeps the ball on the ground and the fly balls that come mostly in the park, which are good signs in Triple-A. But his is not an over-powering heater, and so they're also the skills hardest to maintain stepping up to the majors. He's young and the creme de la creme of a coterie of talented Marlins pitching prospects. With Edward Cabrera off to Chicagoland he might begin the year in Triple-A with a call up if he's going good and the Marlins need an arm. Or he might get the call right away. And you never know, he may be ready.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: The Marlins are trading their way into creating a place in their 2026 plans for Robby Snelling and it's easy to see why. Posting a 1.27 ERA in 11 starts at Triple-A with 81 strikeouts in 63 2/3 IP are numbers that shouldn't be ignored.

Collin Snider

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:-\$7	23:	24:\$3	25:-\$8

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	5-1	5.91	3	42.7	5	31/42	1.71
24	SEA	3-4	1.94	0	41.7	5	13/47	1.19
25	AAA	0-1	8.06	1	25.7	10	4/21	1.67
26	SEA	2-1	5.47	0	26.3	3	6/24	1.46

George Soriano

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:-\$11	25:-\$20

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIA	0-0	3.81	1	52	6	23/52	1.33
24	MIA	1-1	6.75	1	29.3	7	13/29	1.37
25	AAA	4-1	2.32	2	42.7	3	15/49	1.00
26	MIA	2-0	8.35	1	36.7	10	19/36	1.80

Jose Soriano

Throws: R Age: 28 **\$3**

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:-\$3	24:\$5	25:-\$8	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	1-3	3.64	0	42	4	23/56	1.33
24	LAA	6-7	3.42	0	113	8	45/97	1.20
25	LAA	10-11	4.26	0	169	12	78/152	1.40
26	LAA	11-11	3.85	0	177	14	77/161	1.34

He was the most prolific hurler throwing ground balls last year, by a lot. His average launch angle on balls put in play by batters was -2.8 degrees. He does this by throwing 91 percent breaking balls, the only problem being that he walks too many guys. His ERA in 2024 was on the lucky side, while his 2025 ERA was on the unlucky side. His talent suggests somewhere in the middle between them is where expectations should be.

DAVE ADLER PICK: 2025 ERA hides some serious skills. Throws hard; high GB% rate

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limits damage; and K% improved in second half. Walk a few less, have some of those fly balls stay in the park, and this is a stud.

Michael Soroka

\$1

Throws: R	Age: 29
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23:\$2 24:\$2 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$10 24:-\$11 25:\$0 Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 ATL	2-2 6.00 0 32.3 9 12/29 1.49
24 CHW	0-10 4.74 0 79.7 13 44/84 1.39
25 ---	3-8 4.52 0 89.7 12 29/95 1.13
26 ARI	5-10 4.38 2 149 21 58/148 1.29

He's missed significant time every year since 2020 with Achilles tendon tears, two of them, elbow strains, shoulder issues, forearm strains, and hammies, so first thing is to not expect a full season, though the Diamondbacks are surely hoping for one. Soroka has struggled when he was starting the last two years, and while some of that was bad luck he was also vulnerable to home runs. That's not going to get better in Arizona. One bright spot since his stellar 2019 season was his move to the bullpen after a terrible start to the season with the White Sox in 2024. In 36 innings in 16 relief appearances he allowed a 2.75 ERA, striking out 15 per 9, walking 5 and allowing .75 homers. Of course, after 13 of those relief appearances he went down with a shoulder issue, but he did return successfully at the end of the season. That suggests a better path than the one the D-Backs are pursuing.

Gregory Soto

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:\$5	22:\$11 23:\$2 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:\$7	22:\$9 23:\$0 24:-\$10 25:-\$7
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 PHI	3-4 4.62 3 60.3 6 22/65 1.14
24 ---	3-5 4.42 2 53 4 27/65 1.57
25 ---	1-5 4.18 1 60.3 4 24/70 1.43
26 PIT	2-3 3.97 2 61 5 26/67 1.37

He was a somewhat wild closer for the Tigers back in 2022 but has shown more control and a steady strikeout knack working as a setup guy in the three years since for a few different teams on the mid-Atlantic area. He has allowed too many baserunners for fantasy purposes and should be avoided unless your league values holds.

Gabe Speier

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:\$3 24:-\$9 25:\$12
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 SEA	2-2 3.79 1 54.7 7 11/64 1.06
24 SEA	0-2 5.70 0 23.7 2 14/33 1.42
25 SEA	4-3 2.61 0 62 5 11/82 0.87
26 SEA	3-3 3.38 0 58 6 18/70 1.09

He had a terrific season matching his excellent 2023 work and can probably help a fantasy team in a pinch with his strikeouts, but he's deep in the pen at this point so while the holds came last year they can't be counted on. More a waiver wire add if he continues to throw well than a player rostered in the auction or draft.

Mitch Spence

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$1
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24:-\$12 25:-\$13
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 OAK	8-10 4.58 0 151.3 20 44/126 1.38
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25 AAA	0-1 6.21 0 29 3 12/31 1.83
25 ATH	3-6 5.10 1 84.7 16 26/66 1.45

A pitch to contact swingman with fine control who is vulnerable to the long ball.

Jeffrey Springs

\$6

Throws: L	Age: 34
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$12 24:\$2 25:\$6 2026
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$19 23: 24:-\$4 25:-\$4 Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 TBR	2-2 3.27 0 33 5 11/37 1.36
25 ATH	11-11 4.11 0 171 28 54/138 1.21
26 ATH	10-11 4.35 0 175 29 56/153 1.28

The Sacramento team was surely hoping for more run suppression, but they are surely happy they got more innings pitched. He suffered from homeritis all year long and pitched more to contact than was expected, plus the team felt it necessary to limit his innings late in the season, a reason to hope he'll remain healthy this year. His whole skillset aligned with his better but more modest 2023, though maybe off just a bit in the wrong direction in many indicators. He's likely to struggle with his home field again this year but better things are possible.

Brandon Sproat

\$2

Throws: R	Age: 26
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AAA	8-6 4.24 0 121 9 53/113 1.24
26 MIL	2-3 4.14 0 56 6 20/47 1.28

Called up in September, he made four starts. The first two were quality, in the last two he allowed eight runs in 8.7 innings. He showed decent control and kept the ball in the park during his cuppa, but a high percent of his baserunners allowed scored. The same was true in his Triple-A time last year, though he also struggled there a bit with his control. Sproat may or may not be ready for a rotation role, but heading into camp the Brewers have enough starters and Sproat is likely to start the year in Triple-A. He's talented enough to warrant a reserve list stash or endgame pickup if he makes the bullpen.

Ryne Stanek

Throws: R	Age: 35
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23: 24:\$1 25:
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$5 23:-\$2 24:-\$5 25:-\$12
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 HOU	3-1 4.09 0 50.7 8 21/51 1.24
24 ---	7-3 4.88 7 55.3 8 25/67 1.32
25 NYM	4-6 5.30 3 56 7 32/58 1.57

Justin Steele

\$7

Throws: L	Age: 31
YR/C 21:	22: 23:\$7 24:\$19 25:\$17 2026
YR/E 21:-\$4	22:\$5 23:-\$23 24:-\$15 25: Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 CHC	16-5 3.06 0 173.3 14 36/176 1.17
24 CHC	5-5 3.07 0 134.7 12 37/135 1.10
26 CHC	6-4 3.55 0 83 10 22/79 1.15

He had UCL revision surgery last April and the Cubs expect him back this May. That's possible, but it's also an aggressive schedule for a surgery that is more complicated and has a higher failure rate than regular TJ. So, we don't know the particulars of this surgery, other than it was an internal brace version that follows his 2017 initial TJ by eight years. He'd been plagued

by persistent tendinitis and surgery was determined his best chance of getting past it. A little more than half of players following revision regain their previous level of performance, so given the timing and the chance of failure, Steel should be heavily discounted this spring, even though he was on a throwing program in December.

JEFF WINICK PAN: Take note of the fact that this is TJS #2. That makes his risk exponentially higher. Let an optimistic Cubs fan take this ride.

Khal Stephen

Throws: R	Age: 23
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AA	9-2 2.53 1 103 5 20/110 0.99

The primary piece in the Shane Bieber deal last summer, he's a 2024 second rounder, 59th overall, who made his professional debut last season, ending up with five starts in Double-A. He showed excellent control, as expected, and kept the ball in the park, which he did not do in college. He joins the highly effective Cleveland pitching system and could join the major league rotation at any time, though not likely out of spring training. TM:CLE

Robert Stephenson

\$6

Throws: R	Age: 33
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23: 24:\$4 25: 2026
YR/E 21:-\$2	22:-\$10 23:\$8 24: 25: Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 ---	3-4 3.00 1 52.3 8 16/77 0.88
26 LAA	3-2 3.82 9 60 8 21/63 1.18

He missed 2024 following an internal brace TJ and made two appearances before he landed on the IL with a biceps tear unrelated to his TJ. He returned in August and in his first six appearances struck out one hitter in 5.7 innings. In his final three appearance he struck out seven in 3.3 innings, much more like what is expected of him, but then he hit the IL again, this time with elbow inflammation. That's a lot more concerning. He's being talked about as a potential closer for the Angels this year, but until he's on the mound and striking out spring training hitters caution is advised.

Justin Sterner

\$7

Throws: R	Age: 30
YR/C 21:	22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21:	22: 23: 24: 25:\$6 Bid Price
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 ATH	4-3 3.18 0 65 10 21/70 1.05
26 ATH	3-2 3.84 3 65 9 23/66 1.21

Maybe has the best skillset for closing on the Athletics, with some punch out ability and decent control. He allows a lot of fly balls and allowed a lot of homers last year, but still ended up with an xERA of 3.35, which isn't terrible. But it's all going to come down to the role.

Gavin Stone

Throws: R	Age: 28
YR/C 21:	22:\$1 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:	22: 23:-\$18 24:\$7 25:
YR TM	W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 LAD	1-1 9.00 1 31 8 13/22 1.90
24 LAD	11-5 3.53 0 140.3 18 37/116 1.21
26 LAD	2-1 3.98 0 34 5 10/29 1.26

He missed all of 2025 following surgery to massively repair his shoulder. He's expected to be healthy for spring training but will

surely be handled gently and have his workload restricted. He might be worth a stash if the Dodgers end up needing him, but they have a lot of alternatives who are probably readier.

Matt Strahm

\$4

Throws: L Age: 35

YR/C 21:\$1	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:\$5	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$13	24:\$18	25:\$7	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	9-5	3.29	2	87.7	11	21/108	1.02
24	PHI	6-2	1.87	3	62.7	4	11/79	0.76
25	PHI	2-3	2.74	6	62.3	5	20/70	1.08
26	KCR	4-3	3.10	3	66	7	19/74	1.06

Moves to Kansas City and the American League as a top-notch setup guy. Gets a lot of swing and miss with his slider-cutter combo and could step into any role in a bullpen topped by two guys also coming off two very good years.

Hunter Stratton

Throws: R Age: 30

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$2	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	4-4	3.99	6	56.3	7	31/74	1.33
24	PIT	2-1	3.58	1	37.7	3	7/33	1.18
25	AAA	1-2	2.92	1	37	2	12/37	1.14

Hunter Strickland

Throws: R Age: 38

YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$1	23:	24:\$5	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAA	3-2	3.31	1	73.3	10	24/57	1.09
25	AAA	1-3	7.36	0	18.3	4	10/17	1.82

Spencer Strider

\$12

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$27	24:\$36	25:\$14	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$22	23:\$24	24:	25:\$9	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	20-5	4.00	0	186.7	22	58/281	1.09
25	ATL	7-14	4.45	0	125.3	20	51/131	1.40
26	ATL	10-10	4.04	0	161	23	61/186	1.27

With his fastball velocity down two clicks from that of his glorious sophomore campaign, he struggled to limit hits and walks and homers, all bad news for a pitcher's fantasy value. Returning from the internal brace version of TJ, Strider looked strong in spring training last year, but that did not carry over into the season after he returned for one start in mid April and strained his hamstring. He got up and down results, struggling when first back followed by a nice stretch leading to a bit of a meltdown in mid August. The Braves gave him some time off and he responded well, though he still wasn't the Spencer Strider we'd hoped for. Enough is not known about the rehab from the internal brace TJ, so we're going to have wait and see if Strider is able to regain his velocity this year. That makes him a speculative play, probably pricey enough to hurt if he struggles some more. He demonstrated last year he can pitch again at the major league level, but can he regain the tools that made him special? Or adapt the tools he's left with to be more effective? We're going to find out after we roster him.

JEFF WINICK PAN: Oh what might have been. But the guys who struggle in their return from TJS tend to continue to do so, especially those coming off their second TJS. And he struggled. Pass.

Marcus Stroman

Throws: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:\$11	22:\$14	23:\$8	24:\$9	25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$21	22:\$6	23:\$5	24:\$14	25:\$13

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	10-9	3.95	0	136.7	9	52/119	1.26
24	NYY	10-9	4.31	1	154.7	19	60/113	1.47
25	NYY	3-2	6.23	0	39	6	16/26	1.54
26	---	8-9	4.81	0	140	18	55/100	1.45

Struggled with knee pain and inflammation all year and missed two-and-a-half months to rest it. He strikes out so few hitters at this point that even when he's going good he's of limited fantasy value.

Kade Strowd

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	6-3	5.44	0	51.3	7	28/71	1.58
25	AAA	3-2	4.15	4	34.7	2	15/41	1.40
25	BAL	0-1	1.71	0	26.3	1	13/24	1.11

Albert Suarez

Throws: R Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$0	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	BAL	9-7	3.70	0	133.7	17	43/108	1.30
25	AAA	1-0	3.55	0	12.7	1	6/5	1.23

Jose Suarez

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:\$2	23:\$3	24:	25:
YR/E 21:\$2	22:\$2	23:\$19	24:\$17	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAA	1-3	8.29	0	33.7	10	20/28	1.96
24	LAA	1-2	6.02	1	52.3	7	27/56	1.61
25	AAA	5-1	3.50	0	61.7	7	12/69	1.09
26	BAL	1-0	4.40	0	16	2	7/15	1.38

Claimed by the Braves in January.

Ranger Suarez

\$12

Throws: L Age: 31

YR/C 21:	22:\$15	23:\$5	24:\$4	25:\$9	2026
YR/E 21:\$26	22:\$5	23:\$5	24:\$9	25:\$12	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	4-6	4.18	0	125	13	48/119	1.42
24	PHI	12-8	3.46	0	150.7	14	41/145	1.21
25	PHI	12-8	3.20	0	157.3	14	38/151	1.22
26	BOS	12-9	3.57	0	172	17	47/161	1.23

He always misses time. Last season he started the year on the IL with a back strain and didn't return until early May. In 2024 he missed a month in midseason with back issues, and so his 157.3 innings last year ranks as his career best. His 3.20 ERA is his career best since he began starting full time and is fully supported by the underlying numbers. He throws a variety of pitches effectively and with good control, getting his strikeouts but not dominating, which limits (along with his limited innings pitched) his fantasy value. That should limit his price and open up the possibility that some year he'll stay healthy. Also note that the last three years he's been significantly better in the first half than the second, which might mean something.

ALEX PATTON PICK: He'll look at the Green Monster and smile.

Robert Suarez

\$5

Throws: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:	22:\$5	23:\$1	24:\$10	25:\$18	2026
YR/E 21:	22:\$4	23:\$0	24:\$18	25:\$20	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	4-3	4.23	0	27.7	4	10/24	0.90
24	SDP	9-3	2.77	36	65	7	16/59	1.05
25	SDP	4-6	2.97	40	69.7	6	16/75	0.91
26	ATL	5-4	3.33	9	67	7	20/68	1.10

He returned from Japan in 2022 and was expected to close, but the Padres had other options and he worked as a setup guy, though injuries and a suspension for using a foreign substance on the ball limited his playing time. With the decks cleared the last two years he's become a reliable closer, throwing harder and with more control, emphasizing a four-seamer and change up mix with an occasional sinker to keep hitters guessing. That has not given him a dominant strikeout profile, and having signed with the Braves he's expected to work in a setup role.

Tomoyuki Sugano

Throws: R Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$5
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$9

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	NPB	15-3	1.67	0	156.7	6	16/111	0.95
25	BAL	10-10	4.64	0	157	33	36/106	1.33
26	---	8-10	4.84	0	143	27	36/97	1.35

Struggled with the long ball and a lack of punch out, but he made 30 major league starts. Possibly streamable depending on where he lands, but very fantasy dangerous.

Jarlin Susana

Throws: R Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	1-4	3.51	0	56.3	3	34/95	1.32

A top pitching prospect, he was working his way through Double-A last summer when he tore a lat and required surgery to fix it. He'll miss the start of this season and should resume in Double-A in June or so. Keep an eye on him for 2027 rosters. TM:WSN

Brent Suter

Throws: L Age: 37

YR/C 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:\$3	22:\$3	23:\$1	24:\$3	25:\$6

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	COL	4-3	3.38	0	69.3	3	25/55	1.30
24	CIN	1-0	3.15	2	65.7	10	12/50	1.15
25	CIN	1-2	4.52	0	67.7	11	18/53	1.29

Matt Svanson

\$5

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$13	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	STL	4-0	1.94	0	60.3	3	20/68	0.88
26	STL	3-2	3.11	12	65	5	23/65	1.14

Called up in mid April he bounced up and down in the first month before settling into the bullpen for good in late June. He was okay early in the season, but from then on he was 4-0, striking out 10.8 and walking 2.5 per 9, allowing .39 homers per 9, with a 1.35 ERA (FIP/xFIP of 2.26/2.92). Right now the Cardinals have Svanson in the setup role but that mix of power and control it wouldn't be a surprise for him to rise to the closer role. The only other major league player whose last name started Sv (good for

Player Name

a closer, right?) was Dale Sveum, who came up with the Brewers in the mid 80s and played 12 years and ended up managing, briefly, the Brewers in 2008 and the Cubs in 2012 and 2013.

Travis Sykora

Throws: R Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	3-1	1.79	0	45.3	0	17/79	0.78

A 2023 third rounder by the Nationals, he had August 2025 TJ and will likely miss all of this season. Depending on his recovery he could be a starting candidate in 2027.

Jameson Taillon

Throws: R Age: 35

\$7

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:\$9	23:\$9	24:\$4	25:\$6	2026		
YR/E	21:\$2	22:\$9	23:\$3	24:\$17	25:\$13	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	8-10	4.84	1	154.3	27	41/140	1.28
24	CHC	12-8	3.27	0	165.3	21	33/125	1.13
25	CHC	11-7	3.68	0	129.7	24	27/98	1.06
26	CHC	11-9	4.05	0	161	26	37/124	1.18

He hits the IL most every year and no longer has the velocity that made him a rising star with the Pirates many years ago. Since he left Pittsburgh, in 2021, after August 2019 TJ, he's changed from a groundball pitcher to a flyball pitcher, and given up more homers. He's been able to remain effective, even as he lost velocity the last three years, because he walks so few. After a few years of relative health he spent two stints on the IL last year for calf and groin strains, but ended the season healthy and made two effective if short starts in the postseason. His actual year to year ERAs the last couple of years have been better than his estimated ones. If the actual ones move in the direction of the estimators he'll lose fantasy value in a hurry.

JEFF WINICK PICK: Quintessential high floor pitcher. Impeccable control and bulldog demeanor mean that he's a great guy to have as your 5th/6th starter.

Grant Taylor

Throws: R Age: 24

\$5

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$6	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	0-1	1.01	0	26.7	0	11/37	0.88
25	CHW	2-4	4.91	6	36.7	0	15/54	1.44
26	CHW	3-3	3.68	7	79	6	30/93	1.23

Pitched much better than his actual ERA, which was inflated by a .420 BABIP and 61.5% LOB%. He has decent control and plenty of swing and miss inducing stuff, and would seem to be a good fit for closer but the White Sox say they're looking at him as a long man this year. That might make sense if they see him eventually moving into the rotation, but if the closer battle this spring is one of talents Taylor should win easily over Jordan Leasure.

DAVE ADLER PICK: Profile you like to see in a reliever - throws hard, lots of K's, keeps the ball on the ground. Could emerge as a cheap saves source.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Is not yet the closer for the White Sox and he may end up in a multiple inning role. But he is too talented to keep out of high leverage situations with a projected 2.82 xERA, 1.26 WHIP, 34% K%, 22% K-BB%. Expect him to lead the White Sox in saves in 2026.

Troy Taylor

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	3-4	1.27	21	42.7	0	14/45	0.84
25	AAA	3-4	6.85	7	44.7	7	29/54	1.70

TM:SEA

Kai-Wei Teng

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:-\$11	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	3-6	8.66	0	79	16	46/65	1.81
25	AAA	3-2	3.63	2	57	3	22/89	1.12
25	SFG	2-4	6.37	0	29.7	2	17/39	1.58
26	HOU	1-2	4.98	0	33	4	15/32	1.41

The Giants started him in seven games from August on last year and he pitched better than his unsightly ERA, but he didn't help himself by walking so many. His slider is tough to hit and may hint at a move to the bullpen at some point. He was traded to the Astros. TM:HOU

Emiliano Teodo

Throws: R Age: 25

\$1

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-2	7.20	0	30	4	29/38	1.87
26	TEX	1-1	4.04	0	26	3	14/27	1.39

He struck out more than Alexis Diaz did last year in Triple-A, but he also improbably walked more. He throws a sinker-slider combo with a change mixed in. Needs to make a major improvement to have fantasy value, but there is talent here.

Caleb Thielbar

Throws: L Age: 39

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:-\$1	23:\$1	24:-\$12	25:\$10	2026		
YR/E	21:\$3	22:-\$1	23:\$1	24:-\$12	25:\$10	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	3-1	3.23	0	30.7	7	6/36	0.95
24	MIN	2-4	5.32	3	47.3	6	24/53	1.57
25	CHC	3-4	2.64	1	58	5	13/56	0.88

Keegan Thompson

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:\$0	23:-\$5	24:-\$1	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:\$1	22:\$0	23:-\$5	24:-\$1	25:	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	2-2	4.71	1	28.7	2	19/26	1.36
24	CHC	2-1	2.67	2	30.3	3	18/36	1.23
25	AAA	6-2	4.50	0	64	7	25/83	1.41
26	COL	2-1	4.22	1	42	6	20/42	1.36

He might be a starter on the Rockies!

Ryan Thompson

Throws: R Age: 34

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:-\$3	23:\$0	24:\$3	25:-\$4	2026		
YR/E	21:\$1	22:-\$3	23:\$0	24:\$3	25:-\$4	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	1-2	4.00	1	30.7	3	8/21	0.91
24	ARI	7-5	3.26	2	66.3	5	15/52	1.20
25	ARI	3-2	3.92	1	41.3	4	13/36	1.34
26	ARI	3-3	3.82	1	62	6	19/52	1.27

He's been a useful setup guy for the Diamondbacks the last couple years but lacks the strikeout profile of a useful fantasy reliever. He missed time from early July to early September with a scapular strain, but was effective after he returned and should be fine this year.

Trent Thornton

Throws: R Age: 33

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:-\$5	22:-\$7	23:\$1	24:\$2	25:-\$6	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	1-2	2.00	0	31.3	5	6/26	1.15
24	SEA	4-3	3.61	1	72.3	8	19/77	1.14
25	SEA	2-0	4.68	0	42.3	6	14/32	1.31

Drew Thorpe

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:-\$9	25:	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CHW	3-3	5.48	0	44.3	8	21/25	1.27
26	CHW	4-5	4.79	0	73	12	28/52	1.32

Missed all of 2025 after April TJ and will be out at least until May. He was a rotation-seeking prospect, a second rounder in 2022, No. 61 overall, noted for his fantastic changeup. In nine major league starts in 2024 big league hitters were able to touch him up, so there's no guarantee he'll be effective when he's recovered.

Blade Tidwell

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-4	3.62	0	97	8	37/111	1.20
26	SFG	1-1	4.89	0	30	5	13/26	1.44

Traded to the Giants at the deadline, he's a potential starter with some history of injuries and a reputation for big spin and power. He made four appearances for the Mets before the trade and didn't impress, but it isn't fair to judge based on 15 innings. Still, 10 walks, 10 strikeouts, and four homers is a poor first impression. He's far from a sure thing but his good stuff and decent control in Triple-A last year are a reason to take a chance if he joins the rotation.

Ricky Tiedemann

Throws: L Age: 24

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YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:\$21	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	0-5	3.68	0	44	1	23/82	1.23
26	TOR	2-2	3.85	0	42	5	18/47	1.30

A former top prospect, Tiedemann had TJ in July 2024 and hasn't pitched in a game since. He's reportedly now healthy and the Blue Jays added him to their 40-man roster in November. He could make the team out of camp but is going to have a limited workload due to his lack of recent innings, and could possibly be used in relief or bulk relief limiting his fantasy value even if he's successful.

Payton Tolle

Throws: L Age: 24

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YR/C	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
2026	2026	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026		
YR/E	21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price		

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-5	3.04	1	91.7	10	23/133	1.00
26	BOS	2-3	4.18	0	51.8	8	19/52	1.29

The second-round pick of the Red Sox in 2024, he made his pro debut last year and spent time in four levels, landing with the big league club at the end of August. He made three starts and four relief appearances and allowed earned runs in five of those games, including five homers in 16.3 innings. He threw his highly-touted heater 64.1 percent of the time and was beaten

up with .565 slugging percentage against. He didn't throw his other pitches enough to make any judgement but if his fastball is his best pitch he's going to need to throw it less, and that's his dilemma for this year. A return to Triple-A is likely to start the season. He's only made three starts there so far, but for the most part dominated. Is that the best place for him to develop his secondary pitches and control?

Jonah Tong **\$4**

Throws: R Age: 23

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	10-5	1.43	0	113.7	2	47/179	0.93
26	NYM	3-3	4.39	0	44	5	19/46	1.35

It was a mixed bag after he was called up late last August. He made five starts and one good one, one that was okay and three that were not good at all. He shouldn't be judged on that, but with only 11.7 innings in Triple-A so far the expectation should be that he'll start the season there. His challenge has always been to throw fewer walks, and he's been somewhat successful while coming up through the minors. He's got a tough fastball-change combo and good curve and has always missed bats, so if he can gain better control he'll be in good shape to step in as a mid-rotation guy. Maybe this coming summer.

PHIL HERTZ PAN: New York hype machine is going to drive up his price, but he's likely to spend a chunk of 2026 at Syracuse.

Michael Tonkin

Throws: R Age: 37

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$0	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	7-3	4.00	1	80	13	23/75	1.09
24	---	4-4	3.63	2	79.3	6	30/85	1.26
25	AAA	2-0	4.50	0	30	7	7/37	1.20

Justin Topa **\$4**

Throws: R Age: 35

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	MIN	1-5	3.90	4	60	2	18/49	1.43
26	MIN	2-4	3.89	8	63	5	20/52	1.32

Throws a lot of grounders and not enough strikeouts to be a classic closer, but for the time being he's in the mix in an unsettled situation in Minneapolis. He was the Twins closer in August last year, after they traded away their bullpen at the deadline, but his season ended early with an oblique strain. So he's worth a small bid as long as he's in the potential mix, but perhaps most importantly, if he's not getting saves he's a tough arm to play even in AL only because of all the baserunners he allows.

ALEX PATTON PAN: I can keep the topper on Topa. But even if he's named the closer on Opening Day, I'm not going to. There won't be many saves on the Twins and it's easier to say who doesn't get them than who will.

Blake Treinen

Throws: R Age: 38

YR/C 21:\$2	22:\$9	23:	24:	25:\$4				
YR/E 21:\$16	22:	23:	24:\$9	25:\$11				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAD	7-3	1.93	1	46.7	5	11/56	0.95
25	LAD	2-7	5.40	2	26.7	4	19/36	1.87

Spencer Turnbull

Throws: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:	22:\$3	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$13	24:\$5	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	1-4	7.26	0	31	5	15/24	1.68
24	PHI	3-0	2.65	0	54.3	6	20/58	1.05
25	AAA	0-8	7.52	0	64.7	6	36/60	1.82

Edwin Uceta **\$6**

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$6	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$10	25:\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	TBR	2-0	1.51	5	41.7	2	8/57	0.83
25	TBR	10-3	3.79	1	76	11	27/103	1.17
26	TBR	5-2	3.36	6	70	8	24/84	1.13

Got his house back in order in the second half last year and is in the Rays closer committee conversation this year. He stumbled in the first half, but bounced back so a 35.5 percent strikeout rate with solid control and should be able to get the job done. But so can the other guys, so until there is clarity the difference should be split.

Miguel Ullola

Throws: R Age: 24

\YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-6	3.88	1	113.7	7	78/131	1.35
26	HOU	1-1	4.16	0	18	2	10/20	1.35

His terrific fastball isn't the fastest but has great movement, as do his secondary pitches, a slider and curve, but he's inconsistent in the zone, walks way too many, and is in danger of moving to the bullpen. But he'll probably get another shot in Triple-A this year and work on hitting spots. He's an unlikely fantasy prospect this year, but worth keeping an eye on.

Walbert Urena

Throws: R Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-9	4.34	0	141	8	73/125	1.36
TM:LAA								

Abner Uribe **\$11**

Throws: R Age: 26

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$6	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$16	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	1-0	1.76	1	30.7	0	20/39	1.17
25	MIL	3-2	1.67	7	75.3	4	27/90	1.04
26	MIL	4-3	2.94	14	72	5	32/83	1.21

He was an effective closer for the Brewers after Trevor Megill went down last September, and he saved a game in the playoffs. That may make him the favorite for the Brewers closer job this spring. His improved control last year makes him a capable candidate who can regularly top 100 mph with his heater. Of course, he was a really good setup guy last year, too, and the team could go that way again. Keep an eye on this after camps open.

ROTOROB PICK: Was an absolute workhorse last year, racking up a 44 holds/

saves. Yes, there will likely be regression with his ERA, but his K/rate makes him a prime candidate for more saves in 2026.

TIM MCLEOD PICK: Uribe is coming off a breakout campaign where he posted a 1.67 ERA with seven saves, and a league leading 37 holds. There's a lot to like, especially when factoring in Trevor Megill's past struggles to stay healthy.

Jose Urquidy **\$1**

Throws: R Age: 31

YR/C 21:\$12	22:\$10	23:\$7	24:\$1	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$5	23:\$9	24:	25:	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	3-3	5.29	1	63	11	25/45	1.43
26	---	5-7	4.80	0	128	19	46/99	1.38

He appeared to be back after nearly two whole years away following TJ, which is a reason to track this craft righty through the spring. He's not a big strikeout arm in the best of times, but limited walks and hits is a good thing too if cheap enough.

Framber Valdez **\$18**

Throws: L Age: 33

YR/C 21:\$6	22:\$15	23:\$19	24:\$24	25:\$24	2026			
YR/E 21:\$9	22:\$23	23:\$24	24:\$25	25:\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	HOU	12-11	3.45	0	198	19	57/200	1.13
24	HOU	15-7	2.91	0	176.3	13	55/169	1.11
25	HOU	13-11	3.66	0	192	15	68/187	1.24
26	---	13-10	3.42	0	190	16	64/182	1.21

He's about as steady as they come, marrying good control with a lot of ground ball contact to keep the ball in the park and limit the number of runners on the bases. He's not flashy and doesn't pile up the punchouts, but for fantasy purposes he keeps his team in the game most of the time and puts up a lot of innings. That's more valuable in years when he gets a little ERA help and posts a lower WHIP. Last year, despite similar component numbers, his qualitatives randomly bumped up a bit and his fantasy value dropped. There's no guarantee that won't happen again, but odds are it won't.

DOUG DENNIS PICK: Seems to just come up with weak contact over and over and the projected 3.16 xERA says he should again. Not sexy by stuff metrics, he goes for profit over and over. Take that profit again.

Carlos Vargas

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$4				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	1-1	7.02	2	42.3	3	32/36	2.10
24	AAA	2-5	3.54	2	53.3	6	18/40	1.43
25	SEA	5-5	3.97	1	77	10	23/54	1.35

Louis Varland **\$4**

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$4	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$6	23:\$2	24:\$24	25:\$4	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIN	4-3	4.63	0	68	16	17/71	1.22
24	MIN	0-6	7.61	0	49.7	12	16/49	1.71
25	---	4-3	2.97	0	72.7	6	22/75	1.20
26	TOR	3-4	4.18	1	67	9	20/68	1.28

Relieved of the responsibility of starting, Varland saw his velocity and his effectiveness increase. With chatter around Toronto that Jeff Hoffman might be moved into a setup

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role, Varland becomes a possible closer. Given his performance last year he's not the typical strikeout artist for the job, but he throws hard and had success in the setup role last year. If given the job it seems like he just might be able to do it.

Mike Vasil

Throws: R		Age: 26						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$10				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	CHW	5-3	2.50	4	101	8	52/82	1.25
26	CHW	3-3	3.48	2	72	7	32/59	1.30

The White Sox moved him to the pen and he won and saved some games with a sweet ERA. The problem is he landed on the lucky side of BABIP, LOB%, and HR/FB and ended up with an xERA of 4.08. That's much less roto valuable and much more in line with his past results in the minors. He threw more strikes in the minors, so there may be an opportunity to improve there, but without a big strikeout pitch hitting the luck trifecta is going to be about as good as it gets.

Randy Vasquez

Throws: R		Age: 28						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$17	25:\$2				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NYN	2-2	2.87	0	37.7	5	18/33	1.27
24	SDP	4-7	4.87	0	98	13	29/62	1.51
25	SDP	6-7	3.84	0	133.7	16	52/78	1.33
26	SDP	7-10	4.59	0	147	21	53/96	1.40

He managed to make 26 starts last season and only Antonio Senzatela and Erick Fedde struck out a lower percentage of batters they faced. That was his profile in 2024 as well, so this throw to the bat profile is nothing new. He did have an attractive ERA last year but his xERA was 5.38, a great deal higher and more in line with his 2024 performance. Until he finds a more effective way to get hitters out he's not worth rostering for fantasy purposes.

Anthony Veneziano

Throws: L		Age: 29						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$8				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	10-5	3.55	0	132	14	48/127	1.27
24	AAA	4-5	4.80	0	90	12	42/76	1.47
25	AAA	1-0	5.11	0	24.7	3	20/18	1.90
25	---	0-0	4.68	0	25	4	11/25	1.56

Has looked like a solid enough major league middle reliever when he's been in the majors, but has spent more time in the minors and struggled in Triple-A the last three years.

Justin Verlander

Throws: R		Age: 43						
YR/C 21:	22:\$19	23:\$27	24:\$9	25:\$4				
YR/E 21:	22:\$51	23:\$21	24:\$15	25:\$4				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	13-8	3.00	0	162.3	18	45/144	1.13
24	HOU	5-6	5.48	0	90.3	15	27/74	1.39
25	SFG	4-11	3.85	0	152	16	52/137	1.36
26	---	7-9	4.42	0	143	20	47/123	1.32

A lousy first half had Verlander looking like a man headed to the exit, but a decent second half (nice ERA but weak WHIP) might lead another team to take a chance on him. One of the greats, but probably not worth a fantasy flier.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: At the 2025 break, 128 PITCHERS

or before, fantasy managers were pitching Verlander—onto the scrap heap. Anybody who grabbed him then got 75.1 innings of 2.99/1.30, with 70 Ks (23%) and 26 walks (8%). It was reported post facto that Verlander added a sweeper in the second half, which generated 27% whiffs and a .053 BA. Can the wily veteran do it again? Shouldn't cost you much to find out.

Alex Vesia

Throws: L		Age: 30		\$2				
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$3	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$5	23:\$5	24:\$15	25:\$8	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	LAD	2-5	4.35	1	49.7	7	17/64	1.39
24	LAD	5-4	1.76	5	66.3	7	33/87	1.00
25	LAD	4-2	3.02	5	59.7	9	22/80	1.00
26	LAD	4-3	3.05	3	61	8	25/77	1.09

As a setup guy he has enough strikeouts, control, and maybe the odd save to be draftable in deep leagues, though the Dodgers have enough arms his role could change.

Will Vest

Throws: R		Age: 31		\$4				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$7	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$9	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	2-1	2.98	2	48.3	3	13/56	1.10
24	DET	3-4	2.82	2	70.3	3	18/63	1.13
25	DET	6-5	3.01	23	68.7	4	22/75	1.22
26	DET	4-4	3.20	7	68	5	21/68	1.19

Showed in 2024 that he can be a setup guy and in 2025 that he can close. The question that comes with the signing of Kyle Finnegan is which role does Vest end up with? Both are righties but Finnegan has been better against lefties and Vest better against righties. This could go either way or be split down the middle. Unless the Tigers sign Kenley Jansen and both become setup guys. Oh, they did!

DAVE ADLER PICK: If Kenley Jansen falters, these skills stand apart. High K-BB%, keeps the ball on the ground. Second half ERA spike mostly due to freaky BABIP. He can handle the closer role on his own.

Victor Vodnik

Throws: R		Age: 27		\$6				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$0	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AA	4-2	3.35	6	53.7	5	31/69	1.34
24	COL	5-4	4.28	9	73.7	7	37/65	1.49
25	COL	4-3	3.02	10	50.7	4	26/49	1.41
26	COL	4-3	4.22	13	64	6	31/60	1.46

He walks far too many hitters but he also throws a lot of ground balls. As a prospective closer in Colorado the runway is short and the leash shorter. If he is successful closing games he becomes trade bait. If he's unsuccessful he is a drag. And even if he's kind of successful he's going to hurt your qualitatives without giving much of a boost in strikeouts. Draftable in deep leagues if he has the job coming out of spring training, but probably not in 12 teamers.

Michael Wacha

Throws: R		Age: 35		\$6				
YR/C 21:	22:\$1	23:\$4	24:\$6	25:\$8	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:\$9	23:\$10	24:\$12	25:\$6	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	14-4	3.22	0	134.3	15	43/124	1.16
24	KCR	13-8	3.35	0	166.7	17	45/145	1.20
25	KCR	10-13	3.86	0	172.7	15	45/126	1.23
26	KCR	11-11	4.01	0	170	20	49/134	1.26

He came into the bigs with a crash and after some success descended into a mire of less than mediocrity, but the last three years he's revived. He had low ERAs, better than could have been expected, and lots of wins per inning pitched, plus he kept the ball in the park, which he didn't do in the bad old days. He was simply hit more last year, but not harder, with less luck than the preceding three years. Some say you make your own luck and maybe Wacha will bounce back this year, but his declining strikeout rate is reason not to expect that.

Hurston Waldrep

Throws: R		Age: 24		\$9				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$3	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	7-8	4.42	0	91.7	8	50/92	1.48
25	ATL	6-1	2.88	0	56.3	3	22/55	1.19
26	ATL	9-8	4.37	0	146	17	64/129	1.38

The No. 24 overall pick in 2023 was sent to minor league camp in February after 40 innings in Triple-A in 2024. The issue then was a 5.4 per 9 walk rate, which he didn't improve much last year, walking 4.9 per 9 at Gwinnett before he was called up in August. With the big club he kept the ball on the ground by throwing his cutter, splitter, and sinkers nearly three-quarters of the time. He'll start this season in the Braves rotation, you have to figure, and has a reasonable shot at some fantasy value even if he doesn't generate more swing and miss.

Matt Waldron

Throws: R		Age: 30						
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:				
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$9	25:				
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	1-3	4.35	0	41.3	9	12/31	1.24
24	SDP	7-11	4.91	0	146.7	21	40/133	1.27
25	AAA	7-4	6.48	0	90.3	12	30/85	1.58

Ryan Walker

Throws: R		Age: 31		\$8				
YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$18	2026			
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$0	24:\$25	25:\$1	Bid Price			
YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	5-3	3.23	1	61.3	8	24/78	1.39
24	SFG	10-4	1.91	10	80	5	18/99	0.85
25	SFG	5-7	4.11	17	61.3	4	18/60	1.28
26	SFG	5-4	3.23	18	63	5	19/68	1.14

Not surprising that after heavy use in 2024 he struggled last year. He started the year as the Giants closer, but he was much less dominant, striking out just 8.1 per 9 and coughed up the role in late May. His strikeout rate picked up after that, but so did his walk rate, and he ended up with just seven more saves by season's end. He also had a much lessened workload and may be the lead in the battle for the closer role this year. That role will go a long way toward establishing Walker's draft price, but if he doesn't revert to that 2024 strikeout rate he's a risky bet.

Taijuan Walker

Throws: R Age: 34
YR/C 21:\$8 22:\$5 23:\$6 24:\$3 25:
YR/E 21:\$2 22:\$7 23:\$1 24:-\$34 25:-\$8

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 PHI 15-6 4.38 0 172.7 20 71/138 1.31
24 PHI 3-7 7.10 0 83.7 24 37/58 1.73
25 PHI 5-8 4.08 1 123.7 21 42/86 1.41
26 PHI 5-7 5.14 0 121 22 45/85 1.47

He can pitch but he's never blown people away, so even at his best he's a modest fantasy earner. Much more likely a streaming option than an auction/draft day pick.

Blake Walston

Throws: L Age: 25
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 AAA 3-2 4.85 0 65 8 31/68 1.54
26 ARI 1-0 4.35 0 14 2 6/12 1.37

March 2025 TJ has him out until midseason, at least, if he can crack the Diamondbacks bullpen. TM:ARI

Andrew Walters

Throws: R Age: 26
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 AAA 4-0 2.32 8 50.3 5 25/79 1.15
25 AAA 0-0 1.50 0 12 0 9/23 1.17
TM:CLE

Will Warren

Throws: R Age: 27 \$1
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$20 25:-\$9 Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 NYY 0-3 10.32 0 22.7 5 10/29 1.94
25 NYY 9-8 4.44 0 162.3 22 65/171 1.38
26 NYY 7-8 4.46 0 138 20 50/141 1.34

He was less unlucky than he'd been in 2024, in his short time in the majors, when he'd been very unlucky, but sometimes you make your own bad luck. In Warren's case, he allowed 22 homers in his 162.3 innings, which is not the worst but it hurts. He allowed five in 22.7 major league innings in 2024 as well as 19 in 109.7 minor league innings. So, this is a problem, one that lies with his breaking pitches and change up. He'll get a chance to improve this year, but his struggles the third time through the lineup lead to short outings and less fantasy value even when he goes good.

ROTOROB PAN: Still has upside and is universally lauded for his K rate, but it's hard to rack up a ton of punchouts if you can't compile quality starts. He had just a half dozen of them last year despite making 33 starts (tied for second in MLB). Warren could break through this year, but be wary of overpaying.

Ryan Weathers

Throws: L Age: 27 \$3
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:\$3 2026
YR/E 21:-\$7 22: 23:-\$18 24:\$2 25:-\$4 Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 --- 1-8 7.00 0 57.7 12 29/43 1.68
24 MIA 5-6 3.63 0 86.7 11 24/80 1.18
25 MIA 2-2 3.99 0 38.3 7 12/37 1.29
26 NYY 7-8 4.05 0 128 17 42/119 1.28

He started the season on the IL with a forearm strain, returned in mid May and then went down with a lat strain in early June that kept him out

until mid September. To the extent he's pitched the last two years he's been effective while also vulnerable to the long ball, and though he's striking out more hitters he's not striking out that many more. He'll be cheap, the health issues alone make him a risky play, but he's also been developing his game at the major league level for five years and is showing improvement. That's why the Yankees traded for him. In other words, he's worth a shot in the endgame.

JEFF WINICK PICK: If you operate on the assumption that all pitchers get hurt (and if you don't you should), then why not take a cheap flyer on a high octane arm that just needs to stay healthy to succeed.

Luke Weaver

Throws: R Age: 33 \$5
YR/C 21:\$5 22:\$2 23: 24: 25:\$4 2026
YR/E 21:-\$3 22:-\$5 23:-\$27 24:\$16 25:\$6 Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 --- 3-6 6.00 0 123.7 29 40/109 1.58
24 NYY 7-3 2.89 4 84 10 26/103 0.93
25 NYY 4-4 3.62 8 64.7 10 20/72 1.03
26 NYM 5-4 3.65 4 67 9 22/73 1.11

The move to relief in 2024 helped him punch up the velocity and his effectiveness, improvement that carried over from 2024 to 2025. His four seamer and change account for nearly 90 percent of his pitches. Both were down half a click last year and he struck out fewer and allowed more fly balls and more homers. He took over as the Yankees closer last spring when Devin Williams was struggling but he lost the gig when he strained a hamstring at the start of June. He earned plenty of holds and could be a setup guy in a situation that at times calls for him to close games.

Jacob Webb

Throws: R Age: 33
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21:-\$2 22: 23:-\$2 24:\$2 25:\$8

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 --- 1-1 4.00 1 53.7 6 30/57 1.29
24 BAL 2-5 3.02 2 56.7 4 27/58 1.19
25 TEX 5-4 3.00 1 66 10 19/58 1.03
26 CHC 3-3 3.70 1 54 7 21/51 1.22

Moved over to the Cubs, he should be a good but not impactful contributor in relief.

Logan Webb

Throws: R Age: 30 \$18
YR/C 21: 22:\$19 23:\$18 24:\$26 25:\$20 2026
YR/E 21:\$19 22:\$20 23:\$31 24:\$11 25:\$17 Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 SFG 11-13 3.25 0 216 20 31/194 1.07
24 SFG 13-10 3.47 0 204.7 11 50/172 1.23
25 SFG 15-11 3.22 0 207 14 46/224 1.24
26 SFG 13-10 3.35 0 202 15 46/193 1.20

He's reliable, makes every start and while he isn't a big strikeout guy he was a bigger one last year than ever before. He throws a ton of ground balls and doesn't allow many homers on the fly balls he does throw, plus he doesn't walk many (he had the sixth lowest walk rate last year among qualifiers). He allowed a lot of hits on balls in play last year, which is often a sign of bad luck, but his xERA was 3.58, well above his actual ERA, indicating he was lucky. The issue is hard hit balls and the hits they lead to. He's allowed quite a few in recent years, which has hurt his WHIP and fantasy value. Pay for his consistency, hope he finds a way to combine strikeout gains with hit suppression.

ROTOROB PICK: Tied for the MLB lead with 22 quality starts in a career year, but his 2.60 FIP suggests even better results are still to come.

ALEX PATTON PICK: Why the whiffs all of a sudden? His sinker was only a tick faster, which was still more than a mph slower than the league average. The rest of his considerable arsenal was right around league average. He's never had a great BABIP and last year it was the second highest in the majors among qualified pitchers. This year he'll go back to pitching to contact and have better luck.

Ryan Weiss

Throws: R Age: 30 \$5
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
26 HOU 5-5 4.37 0 89 12 34/88 1.35

He returns from Korea hoping to make his major league debut this year, after dominating with the Hanwha Eagles helping them reach the Korean Series. The Eagles fans nicknamed Weiss the Daejeon Jesus because the team plays in Daejeon and Weiss's long hair is Jesus-like. Weiss retooled his approach after struggling in the D-backs and Royals systems, throwing harder, adding a big sweeper, and -- something he learned from Cody Ponce (who learned it from Hyun Jin Ryu) -- a kick-changeup, as well as a forkball. The Astros seem to view him this year as a long man but he'll have a chance at the rotation with a chance to surprise if his stuff holds up. Role and spring training success or struggle will shape his draft day price.

Greg Weissert

Throws: R Age: 31 \$1
YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$1 25:\$6 Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
24 BOS 4-2 3.13 1 63.3 7 20/58 1.35
25 BOS 6-6 2.82 4 67 6 21/57 1.16
26 BOS 3-3 3.68 1 65 7 22/58 1.29

In only leagues you need pitchers who don't hurt you and Weissert was that last year. Not a lot of strikeouts, but good control and maybe good luck on fly balls led to a sweetly helpful ERA. Expect worse this year.

Levi Wells

Throws: R Age: 25
YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
25 AAA 2-6 3.48 2 95.7 7 39/96 1.32

Probably a better bet in relief with a sharp fastball and excellent slider, but he's young enough to get another shot at Triple-A as a starter. TM:BAL

Tyler Wells

Throws: R Age: 32 \$3
YR/C 21: 22:\$6 23:\$1 24:\$3 25: 2026
YR/E 21:-\$4 22:-\$1 23:\$16 24: 25: Bid Price

YR TM W-L ERA SV IP HR BB/K WHIP
23 BAL 7-6 3.64 1 118.7 25 34/117 0.99
25 AAA 1-2 2.49 0 25.3 3 6/24 1.12
26 BAL 4-5 4.33 0 102 18 27/89 1.20

After a few starts in 2024 he broke down and in June had a revision TJ with the internal brace. He was back pitching in the minors late in July last year and was called up by the Orioles in early September. In four starts he walked only

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two batters but allowed four homers in 21.7 innings, continuing a pattern he'd established before the surgery. A healthy Wells is expected back in the rotation this year, but with only 45 innings pitched last year at all levels expect his workload to be restricted. And unless he finds a way to limit the homers he's going to be a marginal fantasy piece when he's out there.

Jack Weninger

Throws: R Age: 24

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AA	12-6	2.92	0	135.7	13	42/147	1.15

A 2023 sixth rounder, he had an excellent Double-A season last year and looks to be headed to Triple-A this year. He uses excellent control and a deceptive change up to keep hitters off balance and generate a fair amount of swing and miss. How his talents scale to the next level this year will determine if and when he gets promoted and whether he sticks in the rotation or takes a long-relief role. Maybe that will happen this year, though 2027 is more likely. TM:NYM

Joey Wentz

Throws: L Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:\$3	23:\$30	24:\$12	25:\$21

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	DET	3-13	6.90	0	105.7	25	47/98	1.68
24	---	1-2	4.68	1	67.3	8	33/73	1.48
25	---	5-7	5.60	0	98	11	43/92	1.56

Hayden Wesneski

Throws: R Age: 29

YR/C 21:	22:	23:\$5	24:	25:\$2
YR/E 21:	22:\$1	23:\$3	24:\$0	25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	3-5	4.63	0	89.3	20	32/83	1.28
24	CHC	3-6	3.86	0	67.7	12	21/67	1.15
25	HOU	1-3	4.50	0	32	7	6/29	1.09

Cameron Weston

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-9	4.59	0	135.3	16	71/133	1.49

Starting regularly in Triple-A last year he saw a drop in strikeouts and a bump in walks allowed. Will he continue as a starter or make the shift to relief? Some more minor league time will tell the tale. TM:BAL

Zack Wheeler

Throws: R Age: 36

\$13

YR/C 21:\$18	22:\$26	23:\$24	24:\$29	25:\$31	2026
YR/E 21:\$41	22:\$22	23:\$25	24:\$45	25:\$31	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	PHI	13-6	3.61	0	192	20	39/212	1.08
24	PHI	16-7	2.57	0	200	20	52/224	0.96
25	PHI	10-5	2.71	0	149.7	19	33/195	0.94
26	PHI	9-5	2.91	0	126	14	32/149	1.01

He had two surgeries on his shoulder last year to correct issues with blood flow, with an estimated recovery of 6-8 months. On the short side, that's a March return versus a longer May return. In either case, there's risk that the procedure won't fix the problem and risk that he'll struggle regaining his form even if he returns healthy. That should warrant a significant discount until he shows he's back.

Carson Whisenhunt

Throws: L Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	A	1-1	2.45	0	58.7	3	23/83	1.02
24	AAA	3-5	5.42	0	104.7	14	53/135	1.62
25	AAA	9-5	4.43	0	107.7	13	35/95	1.37
26	SFG	1-1	4.37	0	30	5	12/24	1.32

He'll be competing for a back of the rotation job but has to address persistent control issues if he's going to stick. He made five starts with the Giants last August and walked 12 in 23.3 innings while striking out 16.

Josh White

Throws: R Age: 26

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	10-1	1.86	4	67.7	2	23/107	0.92
26	MIA	3-2	3.85	0	50	6	21/54	1.31

He's showing improved control in the minors. This could be the year he is asked to pitch in the majors. Probably not fantasy relevant unless he takes off in a leveraged role.

Thomas White

Throws: L Age: 22

\$1

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	4-3	2.31	0	89.7	2	51/145	1.19
26	MIA	4-4	4.05	0	65	7	30/66	1.37

The overall No. 35 pick in 2023 out of Phillips Academy, he reached Triple-A last year for a second and continued to show terrific swing and miss with terrible don't walk the batter. He's a big powerful guy who will turn 22 the last week of this coming season. He'll certainly start the year in Triple-A and work to get a handle on his control. When he does and if he then retains his strikeout prowess he could be a force on the mound in a hurry.

Forrest Whitley

Throws: R Age: 29

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AA	4-1	2.12	0	34	5	17/46	1.29
25	AAA	8-4	2.80	0	61	5	23/75	1.03

The former can't-miss top prospect pitched decently in Triple-A for the Rays but they let him go in November. He still has swing-and-miss in him and maybe that glimmer of control will encourage another team to take on his project, giving him another chance to not-miss.

Garrett Whitlock

Throws: R Age: 30

\$3

YR/C 21:	22:\$7	23:\$6	24:\$5	25:	2026
YR/E 21:\$12	22:\$6	23:\$6	24:	25:\$11	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	BOS	5-5	5.15	1	71.7	13	13/72	1.33
25	BOS	7-3	2.25	1	72	2	24/91	1.08
26	BOS	5-3	3.12	5	70	6	22/77	1.16

Possible move to the rotation? Probably not, but he was finally healthy in 2025

Jordan Wicks

Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$4	24:\$15	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CHC	4-1	4.41	0	34.7	5	11/24	1.27
24	CHC	2-4	5.48	0	46	9	20/42	1.63
25	AAA	3-4	3.55	2	71	4	23/77	1.25
26	CHC	2-2	4.43	0	48	7	16/43	1.37

Spent most of last year in Triple-A as a starter and struggled in relief with Chicago.

Jaxon Wiggins

Throws: R Age: 25

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-4	2.19	0	78	4	36/97	1.03

Tall and rangy, he throws in the high 90s and until last year in Double-A struggled to throw strikes. His heat and slider have gotten lots of swing and miss but he struggled in three Triple-A starts last year to avoid walks. He'll give it another try this year and depending how effectively he adjusts he could be a major league starter or reliever when needed. Or, spend the year trying to figure it out. TM:CHC

Cole Wilcox

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	10-7	3.57	0	143.7	8	44/110	1.32

Acquired by the Mariners in the offseason, he's struggled with his control at the higher levels in the minors. Pitched one major league inning last year. TM:SEA

Matt Wilkinson

Throws: L Age: 23

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A+	4-9	4.24	0	104	13	45/117	1.38

Repeated High-A last year. TM:CLE

Devin Williams

Throws: R Age: 32

\$11

YR/C 21:\$8	22:\$8	23:\$23	24:\$13	25:\$24	2026
YR/E 21:\$5	22:\$14	23:\$26	24:\$5	25:\$2	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	8-3	1.53	36	58.7	4	28/87	0.92
24	MIL	1-0	1.25	14	21.7	1	11/38	0.99
25	NYG	4-6	4.79	18	62	5	25/90	1.13
26	NYM	4-3	3.30	26	64	6	27/86	1.14

Back fractures caused him to miss the first four months of 2024, but when he returned he was the excellent closer he'd been before the injury. The Yankees traded Nestor Cortes and Caleb Durbin for him before his walk year, confident they'd added one of the best closers in the game. But a rugged April cost him the job. Something was wrong with him. He walked more and struck out fewer hitters that month than any other month last year. Maybe he was distracted, he missed a few days at the start of April on paternity leave, or maybe he was just slumping. Once relieved of the high-leverage role he was back to being his old self, a somewhat erratic but dominating hard-throwing relief pitcher. And the fact is not that he spit the bit when closing. His ERA in save situations was 4.15 with a 1.067 WHIP, while in non-save situations he had a 5.81 ERA with a 1.215 WHIP. And after April his xFIP by month never exceeded 2.99, which is probably why the Mets felt confident enough to sign him for three years at a closer's salary. Throughout his career Williams had dominated righties and been hit pretty hard by lefties. Maybe that suggests a way the Mets can use him most effectively.

PHIL HERTZ PICK: He was a victim of bad luck in 2025. It's not far fetched that he will pitch so well that the Mets won't miss Edwin Diaz.

DAVE ADLER PICK: ERA (3.5 runs higher than 2024) will scare people away, but skills are the same as always (expected ERA only 0.5 higher than 2024). Only thing that hurt in 2025 was an absurdly low Strand Rate. Buying

opportunity if others are skittish.

Gavin Williams

Throws: R Age: 27

\$10

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$8	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$3	24:\$10	25:\$12	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CLE	3-5	3.29	0	82	8	37/81	1.26
24	CLE	3-10	4.86	0	76	7	32/79	1.37
25	CLE	12-5	3.06	0	167.7	23	83/173	1.27
26	CLE	10-11	3.86	0	177	22	79/181	1.31

He showed promise in 2024 after missing the first half of the year with an elbow injury, but that strikeout prowess didn't translate into better pitching last year, at least not at first. He stumbled in the first half, striking out 8.8 and walking 5.3 while allowing 1.3 homers per 9, but mostly recovered in the second half, striking out 10, walking 3.3, and allowing 1.2 homers per 9. Those aren't ace numbers, especially because his LOB% was high and his BABIP was low, indicators of good luck. He still has breakout potential, his cutter, sinker, and breaking stuff is tough to hit, but he needs to control the strike zone better to reach it. Cleveland's success developing pitchers is a reason to believe he might do it.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Spectacular 2025 ERA, but skills don't support that result. BABIP and Strand Rate limited damage. Look for a step back, with an ERA closer to 4.00.

PATRICK DAVITT PAN: Sure, it looks like a fine first full MLB season: 31 starts, 12-5, 3.06/1.27. But the results are belied by a .254 BABIP, 84% Strand and 12% walk rate that push his ERA estimators over 4.00. That said, Williams has tools: 96th percentile in Statcast run value on breaking stuff and 84th percentile fastball velo, but he walked too many and gave up too much hard contact. Signs of life peeked out in the 2H, although luck factors were even more pronounced (2H Strand: 92%!). OPS was 75 points lower than 1H; K% up a smidge, walks down, adding 5 points to K-bb%; WHIP down 30 points.

ROTOROB PAN: Will entice many owners with his fine record and strong ERA, but with a FIP that's over 1.3 runs per game higher and an MLB leading walk total, there are some serious warning signs that regression is coming.

MIKE GIANELLA PAN: If the command gains hold then Williams could be a heck of a pitcher, but it was one great month and a second half that was fueled by a BABIP against that feels unsustainable.

MIKE PODHORZER PAN: The big breakout we all hoped for? Nah, I say it was a fakeout. The underlying skills were largely unchanged, with a similar strikeout rate but worrisome spike in walk rate. A low BABIP and skyhigh LOB% combined to fuel a deceptively low ERA. That won't happen again.

Trevor Williams

Throws: R Age: 34

YR/C 21:\$1	22:	23:\$1	24:	25:\$1
YR/E 21:\$1	22:\$1	23:\$25	24:\$11	25:\$21

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	WSN	6-10	5.55	0	144.3	34	53/111	1.60
24	WSN	6-1	2.03	0	66.7	3	18/59	1.04
25	WSN	3-10	6.21	0	82.7	11	21/65	1.55

Had the internal brace version of TJ in July last

year and could be back around midseason. Or or later or not.

Brandon Williamson

Throws: L Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$2	24:	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	CIN	5-5	4.46	0	117	18	39/98	1.28
26	CIN	2-2	4.49	0	52	9	19/44	1.30

Coming back from September 2024 TJ.

Justin Wilson

Throws: L Age: 39

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:\$7	22:	23:	24:\$12	25:\$3

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	CIN	1-5	5.59	2	46.7	10	13/51	1.47
25	BOS	4-1	3.35	0	48.3	3	20/57	1.41

Steven Wilson

Throws: R Age: 32

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$1	25:
YR/E 21:	22:\$2	23:\$0	24:\$13	25:\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SDP	1-2	3.91	0	53	7	27/57	1.17
24	CHW	1-6	5.71	0	34.3	8	26/34	1.61
25	CHW	2-2	3.42	2	55.3	7	22/51	1.31

Cole Winn

Throws: R Age: 27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$7

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	3-1	0.59	0	30.7	1	14/25	1.03
25	TEX	0-1	1.51	0	41.7	3	17/35	0.97
26	TEX	2-2	4.01	3	63	7	26/55	1.26

Setup guy missed time last year with a bad shoulder but was healthy in the offseason and ready for spring training.

Keaton Winn

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$3	25:
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$17	25:

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SFG	1-3	4.68	1	42.3	6	8/35	1.04
24	SFG	3-8	7.16	0	55.3	9	20/48	1.38
25	AAA	2-1	7.90	0	27.3	4	9/26	1.77
26	SFG	1-2	5.10	0	28	4	9/25	1.31

Moved into a relief role last year from starting and improved his results, throwing a lot of grounders and not many walks. It's hard to see him in a role you'd pay for in the fantasy game but he might help the Giants.

Bryan Woo

Throws: R Age: 26

\$27

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:\$8	25:\$18	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:\$1	24:\$24	25:\$38	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	SEA	4-5	4.21	0	87.7	13	31/93	1.21
24	SEA	9-3	2.89	0	121.3	14	13/101	0.90
25	SEA	15-7	2.94	0	186.7	26	36/198	0.93
26	SEA	14-9	3.20	0	198	26	39/198	1.01

The knocks on Woo are that he's not a big strikeout guy and he allows too many home runs, both of which are true, but last year he put together the best of both worlds. He bumped up his strikeouts to as high a level as in his rookie season and he cut his walks down to as close to nothing as a pitcher can (he ranked fourth last year in fewest walks percentage). His ace in the hole is that he's also pretty good at getting infield flies, he ranked sixth last year,

which are the functional equivalent of a strike-out (without the pumping fist). He was a little lucky last year with both his BABIP allowed and LOB%, so some regression would not be a surprise, but he also finished the season on a roll, striking out 11.1 per 9 and walking only 1.9 after the break. If that represents a new norm, watch out.

PATRICK DAVITT PICK: Your reporter is not a betting man, but as of New Year's Day, Woo's odds to win the 2026 AL Cy Young were 13:1 (sixth-lowest). Looks like a good price after Woo's excellent 2025. Among SPs 150+IP: 6th in BA, 5th in K%-bb%, 5th in BB%, 3rd in WHIP... and 1st in Statcast pitch value for four-seam fastballs. Woo could stand to improve his secondaries, especially the negative-value changeup that he uses vLHH. Critically, given his previously shaky health record, Woo was T11th in IP with 186.7. He'll be 26 on Opening Day, so you can get in just as Woo wheels into his athletic prime.

Gage Wood

Throws: R Age: 22

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	A	0-1	4.50	0	2	0	2/5	1.50

No. 26 overall in 2025. Great fastball, excellent curve, was vulnerable to the longball at Arkansas. He saw two Single-A innings last year. TM:PHI

Brandon Woodruff

Throws: R Age: 33

\$16

YR/C 21:\$26	22:\$29	23:\$27	24:	25:\$8	2026
YR/E 21:\$37	22:\$19	23:\$16	24:	25:\$10	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	MIL	5-1	2.28	0	67	9	15/74	0.82
25	AAA	3-2	2.79	0	42	2	12/35	1.17
25	MIL	7-2	3.20	0	64.7	9	14/83	0.92
26	MIL	11-8	3.57	0	160	23	43/173	1.08

After missing all of 2024 after shoulder surgery he suffered a series of unrelated injuries during his rehab last spring, and didn't make it back to the majors until July. After his return he made 12 starts, with six called quality, despite a three-game rough patch in late August followed by two well-spaced out September starts and a season-ending trip to the IL with a lat strain. Maybe he took the qualifying offer because he feared the market would take a dim view after the injury and because his velocity was down, but his strong results and robust strikeout rate suggest a return to form one year later.

Simeon Woods Richardson

Throws: R Age: 26

\$6

YR/C 21:	22:	23:	24:	25:\$1	2026
YR/E 21:	22:	23:	24:\$5	25:\$1	Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	AAA	7-6	4.91	0	113.7	13	61/96	1.50
24	MIN	5-5	4.17	0	133.7	16	48/117	1.30
25	MIN	7-4	4.04	0	111.3	17	46/107	1.28
26	MIN	6-6	4.48	0	129	19	50/117	1.34

Made the team out of camp, but he proved too hittable and was sent back to the minors after eight starts. When he returned in June he again struggled striking out fewer and fewer and walking more and more, but then in August he was struck down by a parasite. When he came off the IL at the end of the month he was beat up again, but the calendar turned to September and the strikeouts came in bunches and the

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walks withered away. He struck out 12 per 9 over 27 innings, walking 3.0 and allowing .67 homers with a 2.33 ERA. Is this a new leaf? Did the parasite eat the rot that was keeping SWR from reaching his potential? In his miraculous September he leaned into his splitter a lot more and got away from his curve. There's no guarantee that the results will follow this season, but with a reason to believe it's probably a good idea to bump his bid up a little.

Justin Wroblewski

Throws: L Age: 26

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:-\$10 25:-\$2

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	LAD	1-2	5.70	1	36.3	9	16/26	1.39
25	AAA	2-1	4.18	0	51.7	7	23/47	1.39
25	LAD	5-5	4.32	2	66.7	6	17/76	1.24
26	LAD	3-2	4.35	1	56	8	19/54	1.28

He made a couple of bad starts early in the season for the Dodgers, but once he moved over to relief he was very solid keeping hitters off balance with a variety of offerings and looks. On the Dodgers he's a few injuries away from another shot at the rotation, but may end up more valuable eating innings out of the bullpen when needed.

Yoshinobu Yamamoto

Throws: R Age: 28

\$32

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$27 25:\$22 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24:\$9 25:\$36 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	NPB	16-6	1.21	0	164	2	28/169	0.88
24	LAD	7-2	3.00	0	90	7	22/105	1.11
25	LAD	12-8	2.49	0	173.7	14	59/201	0.99
26	LAD	11-6	3.01	0	154	14	48/173	1.10

He struggled in June but also had the highest rates of BABIP and HR/FB that month. He can't help it if he's unlucky. Otherwise he was brilliant all season long, from the early games in Tokyo to the World Series championship capping the playoffs, during which he had a 5-1 record with a 1.45 ERA. Yamamoto owners last year strongly felt the travails of the Dodger bullpen, which blew many wins for him. With any luck they'll do better this year. The biggest knock on Yoshinobu is that the Dodgers are able to coddle their pitchers, which is going to limit his starts and innings pitched, which is probably wise given his shoulder issues in 2024. But his 2025 campaign proved him past that, with apparently only a new injury or porous infield defense likely to bring him down.

Ryan Yarbrough

Throws: L Age: 35

\$1

YR/C 21:\$10 22:\$2 23: 24: 25:\$1 2026
YR/E 21:-\$6 22:-\$5 23:\$0 24:\$11 25:-\$2 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	---	8-7	5.00	2	89.7	13	14/67	1.23
24	---	5-2	3.19	1	98.7	11	32/65	1.04
25	NYN	3-1	4.36	1	64	13	19/55	1.20
26	NYN	3-2	4.06	0	61	9	19/47	1.20

He re-signed with the Yankees to pitch again in long relief, for which his tightly controlled but not overwhelming arsenal is well-suited. Lack of strikeouts makes him a tough fantasy fit even when he's going good, but since he often comes in when his team is losing or tied he can bag wins.

Kirby Yates

Throws: R Age: 39

\$1

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24:\$1 25:\$8 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23:\$5 24:\$27 25:-\$6 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	ATL	7-2	3.00	5	60.3	9	37/80	1.19
24	TEX	7-2	1.17	33	61.7	3	28/85	0.83
25	LAD	4-3	5.23	3	41.3	9	17/52	1.34
26	LAA	3-2	3.58	9	56	7	25/68	1.18

As perfectly as things went for him in 2024 they turned sour last year. The two years were similar when he was able to pitch, but a couple of trips to the IL with hamstring issues and a balky back, plus bad luck, led to very different results. He can still pitch effectively, he struck out 24 in 13.7 innings last April, when he was healthy, but at his age aches and pains tend to linger longer.

Trey Yesavage

Throws: R Age: 23

\$10

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	5-1	3.12	0	98	8	41/160	0.97
26	TOR	9-7	3.77	0	147	17	58/155	1.25

His terrific run in the postseason has put him on the map, World Series exposure does that, but there are questions about this coming season. He made four minor league stops last year before landing in the majors, and at the higher Double and Triple-A levels allowed more fly balls than grounders, but that flipped when he reached the majors. Maybe that was the heavy splitter-slider mix he offered. Or maybe it was all the splitter, which had a .135 xBA against and a 57 percent Whiff%. Be concerned about over-enthusiasm. Yesavage has always struggled with his control and his four-seamer was hittable last year, while his slider was just okay. There's also the question of usage. With the postseason he pitched 134.7 innings in his first professional season. He pitched 93.1 at East Carolina University in 2024, so maybe he'll handle the increase smoothly, but will the Blue Jays let him pitch more this year? It's likely someone in most leagues will bid him up, and likely a more moderate approach is better.

DAVE ADLER PAN: Others will see those spectacular World Series results and bid him up. But he needs to cut down on the walks to succeed long term. Future looks bright, but there's still work to do.

Craig Yoho

Throws: R Age: 27

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	6-1	0.94	8	47.7	0	20/60	0.9

TM:MIL

Brandon Young

Throws: R Age: 28

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$17

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
25	AAA	2-1	2.70	0	33.3	3	7/36	1.00
25	BAL	1-7	6.24	0	57.7	12	22/47	1.56
26	BAL	1-2	5.16	0	36	6	13/30	1.40

Got his first taste of the majors and it was a little bitter. He's not a hard thrower and surrendered 12 homers in 57.7 innings, not a sustainable number. His season ended in August with a hamstring strain suffered in a game in which he allowed seven earned runs. Ouch. He'll compete for a job this spring but he's probably behind not only the Orioles start-

ing five but a handful of more highly-regarded prospects, too.

Ryan Zeferjahn

Throws: R Age: 28

\$1

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25: 2026
YR/E 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:-\$8 Bid Price

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	1-3	3.33	7	46	4	21/61	1.20
25	LAA	6-5	4.74	2	57	12	35/73	1.47
26	LAA	3-3	4.03	1	63	9	31/71	1.30

Middle reliever has strikeout punch but struggled with his control and allowing the longball last year. An improvement in effectiveness could find him in the middle of the Angels messy bullpen committee, a reason along with all the strikeouts he throws to roll a dollar die on him improving.

Angel Zepa

Throws: L Age: 27

YR/C 21: 22: 23: 24: 25:
YR/E 21: 22: 23:-\$5 24:-\$7 25:-\$6

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
23	KCR	3-3	4.85	0	42.7	7	8/36	1.27
24	KCR	2-0	3.86	0	53.7	6	19/49	1.47
25	KCR	5-2	4.18	0	64.7	7	22/58	1.39
26	MIL	3-2	3.73	0	60	6	20/56	1.30

The Brewers traded for him in the offseason, presumably to compete for a spot in their rotation. He's not a big strikeout guy but he is a big groundball guy, which fits the team's profile. He might also end up pitching in middle relief.

Yosver Zulueta

Throws: R Age: 28

YR	TM	W-L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB/K	WHIP
24	AAA	4-2	3.83	1	54	3	32/65	1.56
25	AAA	2-2	3.28	0	60.3	7	32/78	1.15
26	CIN	1-1	4.22	0	22	2	10/21	1.35

Traded to the Mariners in January.

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MULTI-POSITION CHART

These are the major league hitters in the Guide who had 15 games played at more than one position last year.

The numbers in each column are the numbers of games they played at that position.

Baseball-Reverence.org is the best source for minor league games played on each player's card.

Knowing how your league assigns position eligibility to players with whose eligibility may not be obvious can give you a big leg up on auction/draft day.

Player	Team	C	1B	2B	SS	3B	OF	DH
Jose Altuve	HOU	0	0	66	0	0	47	49
Miguel Andujar	---	0	3	0	0	32	32	28
Orlando Arcia	MIN	0	11	21	29	20	0	2
Gabriel Arias	CLE	0	0	28	106	8	0	0
Javier Baez	DET	0	0	10	63	23	53	0
Addison Barger	TOR	0	0	0	0	91	57	1
Brett Baty	NYM	0	0	57	0	87	0	3
Jake Bauers	MIL	0	40	0	0	0	25	7
Alec Burleson	STL	0	50	0	0	0	74	22
Jose Caballero	NYY	0	0	23	43	37	46	3
Willi Castro	---	0	0	48	5	23	76	0
Jazz Chisholm Jr.	NYY	0	0	101	0	29	0	0
Kody Clemens	MIN	0	58	51	0	0	22	1
Ernie Clement	TOR	0	15	60	29	89	0	0
Carlos Correa	HOU	0	0	0	97	48	0	0
Brendan Donovan	STL	0	0	100	6	0	18	2
Mauricio Dubon	ATL	0	4	46	33	24	63	0
Ezequiel Duran	TEX	0	25	17	30	11	11	4
Tommy Edman	LAD	0	0	66	0	13	25	1
Xavier Edwards	MIA	0	0	97	41	0	0	1
Santiago Espinal	CIN	0	3	19	2	75	15	3
Kyle Farmer	---	0	17	33	12	10	0	24
Adam Frazier	---	0	0	79	0	7	39	8
Tyler Freeman	COL	0	0	17	0	1	66	28
Maikel Garcia	KCR	0	0	11	17	136	7	6
Romy Gonzalez	BOS	0	58	42	0	2	0	5
Nolan Gorman	STL	0	7	28	0	54	0	22
Darell Hernaiz	ATH	0	0	14	23	20	0	0
Enrique Hernandez	---	0	28	18	0	27	28	2
Liam Hicks	MIA	62	28					21
Jose Iglesias	---	0	0	40	32	24	1	16
Jonathan India	KCR	0	0	76	0	20	21	27
Troy Johnston	COL		16				24	5
Edouard Julien	COL	0	26	25	1	0	0	10

Player Name

C.J. Kayfus	CLE		17				29	2
Colt Keith	DET	0	18	26	0	37	0	52
Otto Kemp	PHI	0	17	2	0	31	11	0
Hyeseong Kim	LAD	0	0	45	11	0	17	0
Isiah Kiner-Falefa	---	0	0	13	95	32	0	0
Brooks Lee	MIN	0	0	37	77	43	0	2
Nick Loftin	KCR	0	5	16	0	14	38	1
Otto Lopez	MIA	0	0	32	111	0	0	1
Gavin Lux	CIN	0	0	17	0	6	54	59
Noelvi Marte	CIN	0	0	0	0	38	54	1
Angel Martinez	CLE	0	0	37	0	0	114	0
Miles Mastrobuoni	SEA	0	1	15	0	27	24	1
Zach McKinstry	DET	0	1	6	40	85	43	3
Jeff McNeil	ATH	0	2	79	0	0	48	10
Curtis Mead	CHW	0	32	17	0	29	0	5
Chase Meidroth	CHW			61	76			
Dylan Moore	---	0	18	39	6	16	32	6
Max Muncy	ATH	0	0	23	7	32	0	0
Ryan O'Hearn	PIT	0	75	0	0	0	23	50
Kyren Paris	LAA	0	0	19	0	0	24	1
Oswald Peraza	LAA	0	17	17	13	64	0	1
Salvador Perez	KCR	92	30	0	0	0	0	38
Ceddanne Rafaela	BOS	0	0	24	0	0	141	0
Luke Raley	SEA	0	31	0	0	0	43	4
Luis Rengifo	---	0	0	74	1	76	10	1
Ben Rice	NYY	36	50	0	0	0	0	48
Ryan Ritter	COL			29	30			
Brayan Rocchio	CLE	0	0	50	72	0	0	0
Josh Rojas	KCR	0	0	24	0	47	5	0
Miguel Rojas	LAD	0	1	68	22	23	0	0
Amed Rosario	NYY	0	0	17	1	33	6	3
Thomas Saggese	STL	0	0	35	33	18	0	1
Javier Sanoja	MIA	0	1	34	10	41	47	1
Casey Schmitt	SFG	0	18	53	1	26	0	1
Daniel Schneemann	CLE	0	0	74	11	27	38	2
Davis Schneider	TOR	0	0	24	0	1	59	1
Max Schuemann	ATH	0	0	39	24	27	13	1
Josh Smith	TEX	0	27	4	60	32	17	11
Tyler Soderstrom	ATH	0	49	0	0	0	108	1
Edmundo Sosa	PHI	0	0	33	19	33	3	1
Lenyn Sosa	CHW	0	42	99	0	3	0	11
Tim Tawa	ARI		20	23		3	35	
Abraham Toro	0	0	68	0	0	16	0	0
Jared Triolo	PIT	0	24	11	47	32	0	1
Ramon Urias	---	0	3	26	0	78	0	3
Miguel Vargas	CHW	0	63	0	0	79	1	4
LaMonte Wade Jr.	---	0	49	0	0	0	22	2
Eric Wagaman	MIN	0	117	0	0	3	22	10
Jordan Westburg	BAL	0	0	17	0	53	0	16

2026 ROOKIES OF THE YEAR

A Listing of Rookie Eligible Hitters and Pitchers, Not from Asia, Ranked by Bid Price

PITCHER	T	Age	BID	TM	W	L	ERA	SV	IP	HR	BB	K	WHIP
Nolan McLean	R	25	\$14	NYM	11	8	3.44	0	163	16	61	163	1.23
Bubba Chandler	R	24	\$11	PIT	10	8	4.08	0	162	19	56	153	1.27
Trey Yesavage	R	23	\$10	TOR	9	7	3.77	0	147	17	58	155	1.25
Parker Messick	L	26	\$8	CLE	7	7	3.88	0	129	16	39	116	1.29
Andrew Painter	R	23	\$7	PHI	7	8	4.26	0	133	19	46	121	1.32
Connelly Early	L	24	\$6	BOS	3	3	3.63	0	49	5	17	50	1.23
Logan Henderson	R	24	\$6	MIL	6	4	3.63	0	97	14	30	100	1.15
Rhett Lowder	R	24	\$4	CIN	3	4	3.98	0	88	10	31	70	1.32
Jonah Tong	R	23	\$4	NYM	3	3	4.39	0	44	5	19	46	1.35
Robby Snelling	L	23	\$3	MIA	7	8	4.20	0	120	15	41	105	1.33
Brandon Sproat	R	26	\$2	MIL	2	3	4.14	0	56	6	20	47	1.28
Robert Gasser	L	27	\$1	MIL	3	3	3.70	0	61	8	18	54	1.22
Ricky Tiedemann	L	24	\$1	TOR	2	2	3.85	0	42	5	18	47	1.30
Payton Tolle	L	24	\$1	BOS	2	3	4.18	0	51	8	19	52	1.29
Thomas White	L	22	\$1	MIA	4	4	4.05	0	65	7	30	66	1.37
Alexander Alberto	R	25	\$1	CHW	3	3	4.89	0	52	6	31	42	1.62

HITTER	B	Age	BID	TM	AB	BA	ERA	R	HR	RBI	SB
Sal Stewart	R	23	\$14	CIN	493	.256	.751	66	21	69	7
JJ Wetherholt	L	24	\$14	STL	329	.248	.692	41	8	37	7
Samuel Basallo	L	22	\$10	BAL	405	.234	.699	51	16	55	4
Carter Jensen	L	22	\$10	KCR	355	.244	.732	51	12	47	4
Dylan Beavers	L	25	\$10	BAL	371	.232	.709	51	12	45	10
Justin Crawford	L	22	\$9	PHI	391	.260	.665	50	5	40	24
Bryce Eldridge	L	22	\$9	SFG	422	.235	.719	47	18	60	1
Konnor Griffin	R	20	\$7	PIT	368	.255	.702	47	10	43	19
Chase DeLauter	L	25	\$7	CLE	358	.252	.714	53	12	47	2
Carson Bengue	L	23	\$6	NYM	423	.231	.663	54	11	45	9
Moises Ballesteros	L	23	\$6	CHC	344	.255	.713	44	10	44	3
Nelson Rada	L	21	\$4	LAA	172	.230	.600	20	2	14	10
Jeferson Quero	R	23	\$4	MIL	111	.236	.666	13	3	14	1
Travis Bazzana	L	24	\$4	CLE	203	.212	.628	24	5	22	4
Colt Emerson	R	20	\$4	SEA	299	.231	.642	35	6	32	5
Aidan Miller	R	22	\$4	PHI	148	.223	.642	20	4	16	8
Carson Williams	R	23	\$4	TBR	393	.215	.657	50	15	49	11
Owen Caissie	L	24	\$4	MIA	370	.232	.687	47	12	46	5
Joe Mack	L	24	\$4	MIA	238	.218	.635	26	8	28	2
Brice Matthews	R	24	\$3	HOU	125	.225	.705	15	4	16	2
Emmanuel Rodriguez	L	23	\$3	MIN	166	.222	.680	23	3	18	1
George Valera	L	25	\$2	CLE	342	.222	.676	44	12	42	3
Jett Williams	R	23	\$2	NYM	122	.220	.659	16	4	14	4
Jacob Melton	L	26	\$2	TBR	127	.210	.600	15	3	14	7
Juan Brito	B	25	\$1	CLE	148	.231	.668	18	4	16	2
Ryan Waldschmidt	R	24	\$1	ARI	141	.239	.672	19	3	16	4

Hitter Projections for Rookies are best used to appreciate style of play. Are they power hitters or wicked fast, contact hitters or accumulators?.

Pitcher Projections for Rookies are wild guesses about whether these guys are really ready. Some will be and will do much better, while others will struggle.

The **BID prices** for both are my estimation of the odds of success.

I left the **new players from Asia** off these lists because they are more established talents with a more interpretable history and should not be considered rookies.

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Rk	CATCHERS	TM	BID
1	William Contreras	MIL	\$23
2	Cal Raleigh	SEA	\$23
3	Shea Langeliers	ATH	\$20
4	Hunter Goodman	COL	\$20
5	Yainer Diaz	HOU	\$20
6	Agustin Ramirez	MIA	\$19
7	Ben Rice	NYY	\$18
8	Drake Baldwin	ATL	\$18
9	Salvador Perez	KCR	\$18
10	Will Smith	LAD	\$18
11	Adley Rutschman	BAL	\$16
12	Alejandro Kirk	TOR	\$16
13	Dillon Dingler	DET	\$15
14	Gabriel Moreno	ARI	\$14
15	Francisco Alvarez	NYM	\$13
16	J.T. Realmuto	PHI	\$12
17	Samuel Basallo	BAL	\$10
18	Carter Jensen	KCR	\$10
19	Austin Wells	NYY	\$10
20	Ryan Jeffers	MIN	\$10
21	Kyle Teel	CHW	\$9
22	Logan O'Hoppe	LAA	\$9
23	Tyler Stephenson	CIN	\$9
24	Edgar Quero	CHW	\$9
25	Harry Ford	WSN	\$7
26	Carlos Narvaez	BOS	\$6
27	Bo Naylor	CLE	\$6
28	Carson Kelly	CHC	\$5
29	Sean Murphy	ATL	\$5
30	Freddy Fermin	SDP	\$4
31	Keibert Ruiz	WSN	\$4
32	Patrick Bailey	SFG	\$4
33	Victor Caratini	---	\$4
34	Joe Mack	MIA	\$4
35	Kyle Higashioka	TEX	\$4
36	Jeferson Quero	MIL	\$4
37	Dalton Rushing	LAD	\$3
38	Jonah Heim	---	\$3
39	Henry Davis	PIT	\$3
40	Miguel Amaya	CHC	\$2
41	Danny Jansen	TEX	\$2
42	Joey Bart	PIT	\$2
43	Pedro Pages	STL	\$2
44	Connor Wong	BOS	\$2

45	Drew Romo	CHW	\$2
46	Liam Hicks	MIA	\$1
47	Gary Sanchez	---	\$1
48	Mitch Garver	---	\$1
49	Braxton Fulford	COL	\$1
50	Matt Thaiss	---	\$1
51	James McCann	ARI	\$1
52	Jose Trevino	CIN	\$1

RK	FIRST BASE	TM	BID
1	Vladimir Guerrero Jr.	TOR	\$34
2	Pete Alonso	BAL	\$28
3	Nick Kurtz	ATH	\$27
4	Josh Naylor	SEA	\$27
5	Bryce Harper	PHI	\$26
6	Matt Olson	ATL	\$25
7	Freddie Freeman	LAD	\$25
8	Rafael Devers	SF	\$24
9	Tyler Soderstrom	ATH	\$24
10	Vinnie Pasquantino	KCR	\$20
11	Yandy Diaz	TBR	\$20
12	Ben Rice	NYY	\$18
13	Salvador Perez	KCR	\$18
14	Christian Walker	HOU	\$18
15	Michael Busch	CHC	\$17
16	Spencer Torkelson	DET	\$17
17	Willson Contreras	BOS	\$17
18	Luis Arraez	---	\$17
19	Spencer Steer	CIN	\$17
20	Jonathan Aranda	TBR	\$16
21	Alec Burleson	STL	\$16
22	Kyle Manzardo	CLE	\$15
23	Jake Burger	TEX	\$15
24	Colt Keith	DET	\$14
25	Nolan Schanuel	LAA	\$13
26	Andrew Vaughn	MIL	\$12
27	Ryan O'Hearn	PIT	\$11
28	Spencer Horwitz	PIT	\$11
29	Lenyn Sosa	CHW	\$10
30	Josh Bell	MIN	\$10
31	Bryce Eldridge	SFG	\$9
32	Josh Smith	TEX	\$8
33	Romy Gonzalez	BOS	\$8
34	Nathaniel Lowe	---	\$8
35	Miguel Vargas	CHW	\$7

RANKINGS 2026

Based on the Big Prices in the Guide, finished January 31, 2026.

Players are listed at all positions for which they played 15 games in the majors in 2025.

Minor leaguers are listed at the position listed for them at FanGraphs.

Please check your league's eligibility rules to make sure players are in their right place.

The dollar values for the top 216 pitchers and top 336 hitters add up to \$6120, roughly, but there are more \$1 and \$2 players listed than will be drafted in AL and NL only. Decide which ones you like.

These lists are a starting point, a place to provoke discussion, not to end it. Have fun and make your own adjustments.

36	Triston Casas	BOS	\$7
37	C.J. Kayfus	CLE	\$7
38	Casey Schmitt	SFG	\$7
39	Ernie Clement	TOR	\$6
40	Rhys Hoskins	---	\$6
41	Pavin Smith	ARI	\$5
42	Christian Encarnacion-Strand	CIN	\$5
43	Victor Caratini	---	\$4
44	Troy Johnston	COL	\$4
45	Ryan Mountcastle	BAL	\$4
46	Paul Goldschmidt	---	\$4
47	Jake Bauers	MIL	\$3
48	Charlie Condon	COL	\$3
49	Luke Raley	SEA	\$3
50	Ty France	---	\$3
51	Rowdy Tellez	---	\$3
52	Jared Triolo	PIT	\$2
53	Kody Clemens	MIN	\$2
54	Tim Tawa	ARI	\$2
55	Blaine Crim	COL	\$2
56	Liam Hicks	MIA	\$1
57	Eric Wagaman	MIN	\$1
58	Wilmer Flores	---	\$1
59	Edouard Julien	COL	\$1
60	Andres Chaparro	WSN	\$1
61	Enmanuel Valdez	PIT	\$1

RK	SECOND BASE	TM	BID
1	Ketel Marte	ARI	\$27
2	Jazz Chisholm Jr.	NYN	\$26
3	Brice Turang	MIL	\$25
4	Nico Hoerner	CHC	\$25
5	Xavier Edwards	MIA	\$21
6	Jose Altuve	HOU	\$20
7	Ozzie Albies	ATL	\$18
8	Jorge Polanco	NYM	\$18
9	Luke Keaschall	MIN	\$17
10	Luis Garcia Jr.	WSN	\$17
11	Jackson Holliday	BAL	\$16
12	Jordan Westburg	BAL	\$16
13	Bryson Stott	PHI	\$16
14	Gleyber Torres	DET	\$16
15	Andres Gimenez	TOR	\$15
16	Brandon Lowe	PIT	\$15
17	Ceddanne Rafaela	BOS	\$15
18	Brendan Donovan	STL	\$14
19	Colt Keith	DET	\$14
20	JJ Wetherholt	STL	\$14
21	Matt McLain	CIN	\$12
22	Otto Lopez	MIA	\$12
23	Marcus Semien	NYM	\$12
24	Tommy Edman	LAD	\$12
25	Jonathan India	KCR	\$12
26	Jose Caballero	NYN	\$11
27	Lenyn Sosa	CHW	\$10
28	Kevin McGonigle	DET	\$10
29	Brett Baty	NYM	\$9
30	Jake Cronenworth	SDP	\$9
31	Brooks Lee	MIN	\$8
32	Chase Meidroth	CHW	\$8
33	Jeff McNeil	ATH	\$8
34	Luis Rengifo	---	\$8
35	Willi Castro	---	\$8
36	Romy Gonzalez	BOS	\$8
37	Nick Gonzales	PIT	\$8
38	Casey Schmitt	SFG	\$7
39	Ernie Clement	TOR	\$6
40	Vaughn Grissom	LAA	\$6
41	Gavin Lux	CIN	\$6
42	Luisangel Acuna	NYM	\$6
43	Michael Massey	KCR	\$5
44	Tyler Freeman	COL	\$5
45	Christian Moore	LAA	\$5

46	Hyeseong Kim	LAD	\$5
47	Cole Young	0	\$5
48	Kristian Campbell	BOS	\$4
49	Zack Gelof	ATH	\$4
50	Gabriel Arias	CLE	\$4
51	Adael Amador	COL	\$4
52	Max Muncy	ATH	\$4
53	Travis Bazzana	CLE	\$4
54	Javier Sanoja	MIA	\$4
55	Brayan Rocchio	CLE	\$4
56	Davis Schneider	TOR	\$4
57	Nolan Gorman	STL	\$3
58	Brice Matthews	HOU	\$3
59	Mauricio Dubon	ATL	\$3
60	Edmundo Sosa	PHI	\$3
61	Nick Yorke	PIT	\$3
62	Thairo Estrada	COL	\$3
63	Payton Eeles	BAL	\$3
64	Kody Clemens	MIN	\$2
65	Tim Tawa	ARI	\$2
66	Thomas Saggese	STL	\$2
67	Amed Rosario	NYN	\$2
68	Miguel Rojas	LAD	\$2
69	Adam Frazier	---	\$2
70	Angel Martinez	CLE	\$1
71	Daniel Schneemann	CLE	\$1
72	Ramon Urias	---	\$1
73	Edouard Julien	COL	\$1
74	Juan Brito	CLE	\$1

RK	SHORTSTOP	TM	BID
1	Bobby Witt Jr.	KCR	\$44
2	Elly De La Cruz	CIN	\$34
3	Gunnar Henderson	BAL	\$32
4	Trea Turner	PHI	\$32
5	Francisco Lindor	NYM	\$32
6	Zach Neto	LAA	\$27
7	Mookie Betts	LAD	\$27
8	Bo Bichette	NYM	\$26
9	Maikel Garcia	KCR	\$25
10	CJ Abrams	WSN	\$24
11	Trevor Story	BOS	\$24
12	Jeremy Pena	HOU	\$23
13	Corey Seager	TEX	\$23
14	Xavier Edwards	MIA	\$21
15	Willy Adames	SFG	\$21
16	Geraldo Perdomo	ARI	\$20

17	Dansby Swanson	CHC	\$19
18	Xander Bogaerts	SDP	\$16
19	Andres Gimenez	TOR	\$15
20	Masyn Winn	STL	\$15
21	Jacob Wilson	ATH	\$14
22	Colson Montgomery	CHW	\$14
23	Carlos Correa	HOU	\$14
24	Ezequiel Tovar	COL	\$13
25	Otto Lopez	MIA	\$12
26	Jose Caballero	NYN	\$11
27	J.P. Crawford	SEA	\$11
28	Anthony Volpe	NYN	\$10
29	Zach McKinstry	DET	\$10
30	Brooks Lee	MIN	\$8
31	Chase Meidroth	CHW	\$8
32	Josh Smith	TEX	\$8
33	Konnor Griffin	PIT	\$7
34	Ernie Clement	TOR	\$6
35	Joey Ortiz	MIL	\$6
36	Nasim Nunez	WSN	\$6
37	Javier Baez	DET	\$5
38	Jordan Lawlar	ARI	\$4
39	Aidan Miller	PHI	\$4
40	Colt Emerson	SEA	\$4
41	Carson Williams	TBR	\$4
42	Gabriel Arias	CLE	\$4
43	Isiah Kiner-Falefa	---	\$4
44	Brayan Rocchio	CLE	\$4
45	Mauricio Dubon	ATL	\$3
46	Edmundo Sosa	PHI	\$3
47	Jared Triolo	PIT	\$2
48	Thomas Saggese	STL	\$2
49	Miguel Rojas	LAD	\$2
50	Ha-seong Kim	ATL	\$1
68	Miguel Rojas	LAD	\$2
69	Adam Frazier	---	\$2
70	Angel Martinez	CLE	\$1
71	Daniel Schneemann	CLE	\$1
72	Ramon Urias	---	\$1
73	Edouard Julien	COL	\$1
74	Juan Brito	CLE	\$1

RK	THIRD BASE	TM	BID
1	Jose Ramirez	CLE	\$36
2	Junior Caminero	TBR	\$31
3	Manny Machado	SDP	\$27
4	Jazz Chisholm Jr.	NYN	\$26

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5	Maikel Garcia	KCR	\$25
6	Austin Riley	ATL	\$24
7	Alex Bregman	CHC	\$23
8	Eugenio Suarez	---	\$19
9	Kazuma Okamoto	TOR	\$17
10	Matt Chapman	SFG	\$16
11	Jordan Westburg	BAL	\$16
12	Isaac Paredes	HOU	\$15
13	Alec Bohm	PHI	\$15
14	Noelvi Marte	CIN	\$14
15	Carlos Correa	HOU	\$14
16	Colt Keith	DET	\$14
17	Royce Lewis	MIN	\$13
18	Addison Barger	TOR	\$12
19	Mark Vientos	NYM	\$12
20	Jonathan India	KCR	\$12
21	Jose Caballero	NYY	\$11
22	Josh Jung	TEX	\$11
23	Caleb Durbin	MIL	\$10
24	Zach McKinstry	DET	\$10
25	Brett Baty	NYM	\$9
26	Nolan Arenado	STL	\$9
27	Ryan McMahon	NYY	\$9
28	Brooks Lee	MIN	\$8
29	Josh Smith	TEX	\$8
30	Luis Rengifo	---	\$8
31	Willi Castro	---	\$8
32	Matt Shaw	CHC	\$7
33	Max Muncy	LAD	\$7
34	Miguel Vargas	CHW	\$7
35	Connor Norby	MIA	\$7
36	Marcelo Mayer	BOS	\$7
37	Sung-Mun Song	SDP	\$7
38	Ke'Bryan Hayes	CIN	\$7
39	Casey Schmitt	SFG	\$7
40	Ernie Clement	TOR	\$6
41	Brady House	WSN	\$6
42	Miguel Andujar	---	\$6
43	Brooks Baldwin	CHW	\$5
44	Javier Baez	DET	\$5
45	Blaze Alexander	ARI	\$5
46	Max Muncy	ATH	\$4
47	Javier Sanoja	MIA	\$4
48	Isiah Kiner-Falefa	---	\$4
49	Nolan Gorman	STL	\$3
50	Ronny Mauricio	NYM	\$3

RK	OUTFIELD	TM	BID
1	Aaron Judge	NYY	\$48
2	Juan Soto	NYM	\$39
3	Ronald Acuna Jr.	ATL	\$35
4	Corbin Carroll	ARI	\$34
5	Julio Rodriguez	SEA	\$34
6	Fernando Tatis Jr.	SDP	\$32
7	Kyle Tucker	LAD	\$32
8	Yordan Alvarez	HOU	\$31
9	Jackson Chourio	MIL	\$30
10	Pete Crow-Armstrong	CHC	\$26
11	Brent Rooker	ATH	\$26
12	Riley Greene	DET	\$26
13	Jarren Duran	BOS	\$26
14	James Wood	WSN	\$25
15	Wyatt Langford	TEX	\$24
16	Cody Bellinger	NYY	\$24
17	Tyler Soderstrom	ATH	\$24
18	Michael Harris II	ATL	\$23
19	Seiya Suzuki	CHC	\$22
20	Jackson Merrill	SDP	\$21
21	Byron Buxton	MIN	\$21
22	Randy Arozarena	SEA	\$21
23	Christian Yelich	MIL	\$21
24	Andy Pages	LAD	\$21
25	George Springer	TOR	\$21
26	Roman Anthony	BOS	\$20
27	Jose Altuve	HOU	\$20
28	Bryan Reynolds	PIT	\$20
29	Oneil Cruz	PIT	\$19
30	Teoscar Hernandez	LAD	\$19
31	Lawrence Butler	ATH	\$19
32	Jasson Dominguez	NYY	\$19
33	Anthony Santander	TOR	\$19
34	Brandon Nimmo	TEX	\$18
35	Luis Robert Jr.	NYM	\$18
36	Kyle Stowers	MIA	\$18
37	Jakob Marsee	MIA	\$18
38	Steven Kwan	CLE	\$18
39	Heliot Ramos	SFG	\$18
40	Taylor Ward	BAL	\$17
41	Jo Adell	LAA	\$17
42	Chandler Simpson	TBR	\$17
43	Ian Happ	CHC	\$17
44	Sal Frelick	MIL	\$17
45	Jurickson Profar	ATL	\$16

46	Alec Burleson	STL	\$16
47	Daulton Varsho	TOR	\$16
48	Kerry Carpenter	DET	\$16
49	Ceddanne Rafaela	BOS	\$15
50	Brenton Doyle	COL	\$15
51	Adolis Garcia	PHI	\$15
52	Noelvi Marte	CIN	\$14
53	Jordan Beck	COL	\$14
54	Ramon Laureano	SDP	\$14
55	Colton Cowser	BAL	\$14
56	Brendan Donovan	STL	\$14
57	Jac Caglianone	KCR	\$13
58	Dylan Crews	WSN	\$12
59	Addison Barger	TOR	\$12
60	Mike Trout	LAA	\$12
61	Daylen Lile	WSN	\$12
62	Wilyer Abreu	BOS	\$12
63	Jung Hoo Lee	SFG	\$12
64	Cedric Mullins	TBR	\$12
65	Tommy Edman	LAD	\$12
66	Nick Castellanos	PHI	\$12
67	Brandon Marsh	PHI	\$12
68	Jonathan India	KCR	\$12
69	Jose Caballero	NYY	\$11
70	Josh Lowe	TBR	\$11
71	TJ Friedl	CIN	\$11
72	Ryan O'Hearn	PIT	\$11
73	Harrison Bader	---	\$11
74	Dylan Beavers	BAL	\$10
75	Jesus Sanchez	HOU	\$10
76	Jake Mangum	PIT	\$10
77	Zach McKinstry	DET	\$10
78	Lourdes Gurriel Jr.	ARI	\$10
79	Mickey Moniak	COL	\$9
80	Trent Grisham	NYY	\$9
81	Giancarlo Stanton	NYY	\$9
82	Justin Crawford	PHI	\$9
83	Evan Carter	TEX	\$9
84	Dominic Canzone	SEA	\$9
85	Cam Smith	HOU	\$9
86	Trevor Larnach	MIN	\$9
87	Lane Thomas	KCR	\$9
88	Jorge Soler	LAA	\$9
89	Tyler O'Neill	BAL	\$9
90	Andrew Benintendi	CHW	\$9
91	Victor Scott II	STL	\$8

92	Victor Robles	SEA	\$8
93	Isaac Collins	KCR	\$8
94	Josh Smith	TEX	\$8
95	Gavin Sheets	SDP	\$8
96	Lars Nootbaar	STL	\$8
97	Jeff McNeil	ATH	\$8
98	Austin Hays	---	\$8
99	Willi Castro	---	\$8
100	Jake Meyers	HOU	\$8
101	Matt Wallner	MIN	\$7
102	Chase DeLauter	0	\$7
103	Jordan Walker	STL	\$7
104	Parker Meadows	DET	\$7
105	C.J. Kayfus	CLE	\$7
106	Mike Yastrzemski	ATL	\$7
107	Carson Benge	NYM	\$6
108	Heriberto Hernandez	MIA	\$6
109	Miguel Andujar	---	\$6
110	Gavin Lux	CIN	\$6
111	Jacob Young	WSN	\$6
112	Tyler Freeman	COL	\$5
113	Brooks Baldwin	CHW	\$5
114	Hyeseong Kim	LAD	\$5
115	Javier Baez	DET	\$5
116	Austin Martin	MIN	\$5
117	Christopher Morel	MIA	\$5
118	Wenceel Perez	DET	\$5
119	Owen Caissie	MIA	\$4
120	Troy Johnston	COL	\$4
121	Nathan Lukes	TOR	\$4
122	Griffin Conine	MIA	\$4
123	Garrett Mitchell	MIL	\$4
124	Javier Sanoja	MIA	\$4
125	Nelson Rada	LAA	\$4
126	Jake McCarthy	ARI	\$4
127	JJ Bleday	CIN	\$4
128	Jake Fraley	TBR	\$4
129	Esteury Ruiz	MIA	\$4
130	Davis Schneider	TOR	\$4
131	Jhostynxon Garcia	PIT	\$3
132	Jake Bauers	MIL	\$3
133	Colby Thomas	ATH	\$3
134	Mauricio Dubon	ATL	\$3
135	Robert Hassell III	WSN	\$3
136	Alek Thomas	ARI	\$3
137	Emm. Rodriguez	MIN	\$3

138	Luke Raley	SEA	\$3
139	Luis Matos	SFG	\$3
140	Matt Vierling	DET	\$3
141	Jonny Deluca	TBR	\$3
142	Drew Gilbert	SFG	\$3
143	Michael Conforto	---	\$3
144	Mike Tauchman	---	\$3
145	Richie Palacios	TBR	\$2
146	Kody Clemens	MIN	\$2
147	Walker Jenkins	MIN	\$2
148	Jacob Melton	TBR	\$2
149	Tim Tawa	ARI	\$2
150	Jett Williams	NYM	\$2
151	George Valera	CLE	\$2
152	Will Benson	CIN	\$2
153	Blake Perkins	MIL	\$2
154	Adam Frazier	---	\$2
155	Myles Straw	TOR	\$2
156	Leody Taveras	BAL	\$2
157	Denzel Clarke	ATH	\$1
158	Spencer Jones	NYN	\$1
159	Ryan Waldschmidt	ARI	\$1
160	Zac Veen	COL	\$1
161	Angel Martinez	CLE	\$1
162	Eric Waganan	MIN	\$1
163	Daniel Schneemann	CLE	\$1
164	Nolan Jones	CLE	\$1
165	Kevin Alcantara	CHC	\$1
166	Kyle Isbel	KCR	\$1
167	Rob Refsnyder	SEA	\$1
168	Tommy Pham	---	\$1
169	Heston Kjerstad	BAL	\$1
170	Jorge Barrosa	ARI	\$1
171	Alex Call	LAD	\$1
172	Sam Haggerty	TEX	\$1
173	MJ Melendez	---	\$1
174	Jhonkensy Noel	BAL	\$1
175	Tyrone Taylor	NYM	\$1
176	James Outman	MIN	\$1

RK	DH	TM	BID
1	Shohei Ohtani	LAD	\$48
2	Yordan Alvarez	HOU	\$31
3	Kyle Schwarber	PHI	\$30
4	Christian Yelich	MIL	\$21
5	Ivan Herrera	STL	\$18
6	Sal Stewart	CIN	\$14
7	Marcell Ozuna	FA	\$14
8	Moises Ballesteros	CHC	\$6
9	Nasim Nunez	WSN	\$6
10	Masataka Yoshida	BOS	\$4
11	Joc Pederson	TEX	\$4
12	Esteury Ruiz	MIA	\$4
13	Adrian Del Castillo	ARI	\$3
14	Jonny Deluca	TBR	\$3
15	Luis Campusano	SDP	\$2
16	David Fry	CLE	\$2
17	Starling Marte	---	\$2
18	Andrew McCutchen	FA	\$2
19	Dairon Blanco	KCR	\$2
20	Jorge Mateo	---	\$1
21	Jose Fermin	STL	\$1
22	Jace Jung	DET	\$1
23	Trey Lipscomb	WSN	\$1
24	Jesse Winker	---	\$1

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RK	STARTER	BID	
1	Tarik Skubal	DET	\$38
2	Paul Skenes	PIT	\$36
3	Garrett Crochet	BOS	\$34
4	Yoshi. Yamamoto	LAD	\$32
5	Hunter Brown	HOU	\$30
6	Cristopher Sanchez	PHI	\$28
7	Logan Gilbert	SEA	\$28
8	Chris Sale	ATL	\$27
9	Bryan Woo	SEA	\$27
10	Jacob deGrom	TEX	\$25
11	Hunter Greene	CIN	\$25
12	Max Fried	NYY	\$25
13	Joe Ryan	MIN	\$22
14	George Kirby	SEA	\$20
15	S. Schwellenbach	ATL	\$20
16	Cole Ragans	KCR	\$19
17	Logan Webb	SFG	\$18
18	Freddy Peralta	NYM	\$18
19	Framber Valdez	---	\$18
20	Brandon Woodruff	MIL	\$16
21	Emmet Sheehan	LAD	\$16
22	Shohei Ohtani	LAD	\$15
23	Blake Snell	LAD	\$15
24	Kevin Gausman	TOR	\$15
25	Tyler Glasnow	LAD	\$15
26	Nathan Eovaldi	TEX	\$15
27	Dylan Cease	TOR	\$14
28	Kyle Bradish	BAL	\$14
29	Eury Perez	MIA	\$14
30	Nolan McLean	NYM	\$14
31	Michael King	SDP	\$14
32	Tatsuya Imai	HOU	\$14
33	Shota Imanaga	CHC	\$14
34	Cade Horton	CHC	\$14
35	Tanner Bibee	CLE	\$14
36	Nick Pivetta	SDP	\$13
37	Pablo Lopez	MIN	\$13
38	Drew Rasmussen	TBR	\$13
39	Shane Bieber	TOR	\$13
40	Luis Castillo	SEA	\$13
41	Sandy Alcantara	MIA	\$13
42	Zack Wheeler	PHI	\$13
43	Trevor Rogers	BAL	\$13

44	Carlos Rodon	NYY	\$13
45	Spencer Strider	ATL	\$12
46	Sonny Gray	BOS	\$12
47	Ranger Suarez	BOS	\$12
48	Chase Burns	CIN	\$11
49	Nick Lodolo	CIN	\$11
50	Bubba Chandler	PIT	\$11
51	Edward Cabrera	CHC	\$11
52	Kris Bubic	KCR	\$11
53	Jesus Luzardo	PHI	\$10
54	Jacob Misiorowski	MIL	\$10
55	Gavin Williams	CLE	\$10
56	Trey Yesavage	TOR	\$10
57	Andrew Abbott	CIN	\$10
58	Matthew Boyd	CHC	\$10
59	Ryan Pepiot	TBR	\$10
60	Shane Baz	BAL	\$9
61	Aaron Nola	PHI	\$9
62	Roki Sasaki	LAD	\$9
63	Merrill Kelly	ARI	\$9
64	Bryce Miller	SEA	\$9
65	Ryne Nelson	ARI	\$9
66	Noah Cameron	KCR	\$9
67	Hurston Waldrep	ATL	\$9
68	Quinn Priester	MIL	\$9
69	Gerrit Cole	NYY	\$9
70	Cam Schlitler	NYY	\$8
71	Robbie Ray	SFG	\$8
72	MacKenzie Gore	TEX	\$8
73	Zac Gallen	---	\$8
74	Joe Musgrove	SDP	\$8
75	Shane McClellan	TBR	\$8
76	Cody Ponce	TOR	\$8
77	Parker Messick	CLE	\$8
78	Shane Smith	CHW	\$7
79	Jameson Taillon	CHC	\$7
80	Brayan Bello	BOS	\$7
81	Grayson Rodriguez	LAA	\$7
82	Kodai Senga	NYM	\$7
83	Andrew Painter	PHI	\$7
84	Justin Steele	CHC	\$7
85	Jack Flaherty	DET	\$6
86	Jack Leiter	TEX	\$6
87	Casey Mize	DET	\$6

88	Logan Henderson	MIL	\$6
89	S.W. Richardson	MIN	\$6
90	Michael Wacha	KCR	\$6
91	Jeffrey Springs	ATH	\$6
92	Connelly Early	BOS	\$6
93	Bailey Ober	MIN	\$5
94	Mike Burrows	HOU	\$5
95	Braxton Ashcraft	PIT	\$5
96	Reese Olson	DET	\$5
97	Sean Manaea	NYM	\$4
98	Brady Singer	CIN	\$4
99	Zebby Matthews	MIN	\$4
100	Clay Holmes	NYM	\$4
101	Luis Gil	NYY	\$4
102	Cristian Javier	HOU	\$4
103	Reynaldo Lopez	ATL	\$4
104	Slade Cecconi	CLE	\$4
105	Zack Littell	---	\$4
106	Matthew Liberatore	STL	\$4
107	Jose Berrios	TOR	\$4
108	Kumar Rocker	TEX	\$4
109	Jonah Tong	NYM	\$4
110	Rhett Lowder	CIN	\$4
111	Troy Melton	DET	\$3
112	Joey Cantillo	CLE	\$3
113	Ryan Weathers	MIA	\$3
114	Seth Lugo	KCR	\$3
115	Robby Snelling	MIA	\$3
116	Cade Cavalli	WSN	\$3
117	Chad Patrick	MIL	\$3
118	Luis Morales	ATH	\$3
119	Tyler Wells	BAL	\$3
120	Max Meyer	MIA	\$3
121	Joe Boyle	TBR	\$3
122	Jared Jones	PIT	\$3
123	Zach Eflin	BAL	\$3
124	Braxton Garrett	MIA	\$3
125	Anthony Kay	CHW	\$3
126	Mitch Keller	PIT	\$3
127	Yusei Kikuchi	LAA	\$3
128	Dean Kremer	BAL	\$2
129	Reid Detmers	LAA	\$2
130	Chris Bassitt	---	\$2
131	Tyler Mahle	SFG	\$2

132	Taj Bradley	MIN	\$2
133	Luis Severino	ATH	\$2
134	Mick Abel	MIN	\$2
135	Max Scherzer	---	\$2
136	Kyle Leahy	STL	\$2
137	Foster Griffin	WSN	\$2
138	Alek Manoah	LAA	\$2
139	Spencer Arrighetti	HOU	\$2
140	Brandon Sproat	MIL	\$2
141	Corbin Burnes	ARI	\$2
142	Will Warren	NYN	\$1
143	Brandon Pfaadt	ARI	\$1
144	Jacob Lopez	ATH	\$1
145	Michael Soroka	ARI	\$1
146	Landen Rouppe	SFG	\$1
147	Sean Burke	CHW	\$1
148	Davis Martin	CHW	\$1
149	Payton Tolle	BOS	\$1
150	Thomas White	MIA	\$1
151	Robert Gasser	MIL	\$1
152	Carmen Mlodzinski	PIT	\$1
153	David Festa	MIN	\$1
154	David Peterson	NYM	\$1

RK	RELIEVER	TM	BID
1	Edwin Diaz	LAD	\$21
2	Mason Miller	SDP	\$20
3	Aroldis Chapman	BOS	\$20
4	Andres Munoz	SEA	\$19
5	Jhoan Duran	PHI	\$19
6	Cade Smith	CLE	\$18
7	Josh Hader	HOU	\$18
8	David Bednar	NYN	\$17
9	Carlos Estevez	KCR	\$15
10	Raisel Iglesias	ATL	\$14
11	Daniel Palencia	CHC	\$14
12	Kenley Jansen	DET	\$13
13	Ryan Helsley	BAL	\$12
14	Devin Williams	NYM	\$11
15	Emilio Pagan	CIN	\$11
16	Abner Uribe	MIL	\$11
17	Trevor Megill	MIL	\$10
18	Pete Fairbanks	MIA	\$10
19	Dennis Santana	PIT	\$10
20	Griffin Jax	TBR	\$10
21	Ser Dominguez	CWS	\$10
22	Ryan Walker	SFG	\$8

RK	RELIEVER	TM	BID
23	Seth Halvorsen	COL	\$8
24	Jeff Hoffman	TOR	\$7
25	Clayton Beeter	WSN	\$7
26	Justin Sterner	ATH	\$7
27	Tyler Rogers	TOR	\$7
28	Edwin Uceta	TBR	\$6
29	Riley O'Brien	STL	\$6
30	Victor Vodnik	COL	\$6
31	Garrett Cleavinger	TBR	\$6
32	JoJo Romero	STL	\$6
33	Bryan Abreu	HOU	\$5
34	Robert Suarez	ATL	\$5
35	Jordan Leasure	CHW	\$5
36	Grant Taylor	CHW	\$5
37	Luke Weaver	NYM	\$5
38	Matt Svanson	STL	\$5
39	Ryan Weiss	HOU	\$5
40	Will Vest	DET	\$4
41	Kyle Finnegan	DET	\$4
42	Jeremiah Estrada	SDP	\$4
43	Calvin Faucher	MIA	\$4
44	Tanner Scott	LAD	\$4
45	Adrian Morejon	SDP	\$4
46	Louis Varland	TOR	\$4
47	Andrew Kittredge	BAL	\$4
48	Lucas Erceg	KCR	\$4
49	Hunter Gaddis	CLE	\$4
50	Matt Strahm	KCR	\$4
51	Justin Topa	MIN	\$4
52	Yimi Garcia	TOR	\$4
53	Jason Foley	SFG	\$4
54	Dylan Lee	ATL	\$4
55	Robert Garcia	TEX	\$3
56	Garrett Whitlock	BOS	\$3
57	Robert Stephenson	LAA	\$3
58	Phil Maton	CHC	\$3
59	Ben Joyce	LAA	\$3
60	Brad Keller	PHI	\$3
61	Jordan Romano	LAA	\$3
62	Kutter Crawford	BOS	\$3
63	Hogan Harris	ATH	\$3
64	Alexis Diaz	TEX	\$3
65	Bryan Baker	TBR	\$3
66	Jason Adam	SDP	\$3
67	Tyler Alexander	TEX	\$3
68	Eduard Bazarzo	SEA	\$2
69	Matt Brash	SEA	\$2

RK	RELIEVER	TM	BID
70	Tony Santillan	CIN	\$2
71	Camilo Doval	NYN	\$2
72	Jose A. Ferrer	SEA	\$2
73	Cole Sands	MIN	\$2
74	Mark Leiter Jr.	ATH	\$2
75	Jose Alvarado	PHI	\$2
76	Alex Vesia	LAD	\$2
77	Drew Pomeranz	LAA	\$2
78	Orion Kerkering	PHI	\$2
79	Jared Koenig	MIL	\$2
80	Anthony Bender	MIA	\$2
81	Kody Funderburk	MIN	\$2
82	Bryan King	HOU	\$2
83	A.J. Minter	NYM	\$2
84	Greg Weissert	BOS	\$1
85	Andrew Saalfrank	ARI	\$1
86	Kirby Yates	LAA	\$1
87	Ben Brown	CHC	\$1
88	Shawn Armstrong	CLE	\$1
89	Colin Rea	CHC	\$1
90	Aaron Ashby	MIL	\$1
91	Jack Perkins	ATH	\$1
92	Kyle Harrison	BOS	\$1
93	Hunter Harvey	CHC	\$1
94	Stephen Kolek	KCR	\$1
95	Tobias Myers	NYM	\$1
96	Justin Lawrence	PIT	\$1
97	Ryan Yarbrough	NYN	\$1
98	Ricky Tiedemann	TOR	\$1
99	Mason Montgomery	PIT	\$1
100	Bryce Elder	ATL	\$1
101	Keegan Akin	BAL	\$1
102	Ryan Zeferjahn	LAA	\$1
103	Caden Dana	LAA	\$1
104	Ben Casparius	LAD	\$1
105	Alexander Alberto	CHW	\$1
106	Juan Mejia	COL	\$1
107	Tyler Holton	DET	\$1
108	DL Hall	MIL	\$1
109	Emiliano Teodo	TEX	\$1
110	Andrew Nardi	MIA	\$1
111	Hunter Bigge	TBR	\$1
112	Brock Burke	LAA	\$1
113	Jack Dreyer	LAD	\$1
114	Brandon Eisert	CHW	\$1
115	Edgardo Henriquez	LAD	\$1
116	Eric Orze	MIN	\$1

MOST PROFITABLE HITTERS 2025

These guys made winning teams

Name	TM	Pre	Sept	“+/-”
Geraldo Perdomo	ARI	\$7	\$35	\$28
Nick Kurtz	ATH	\$1	\$28	\$28
George Springer	TOR	\$14	\$37	\$24
Andy Pages	LAD	\$5	\$26	\$21
Ramon Laureano	BAL	\$2	\$23	\$21
Hunter Goodman	COL	\$6	\$25	\$19
Trevor Story	BOS	\$12	\$30	\$18
Chandler Simpson	TBR	\$3	\$21	\$18
Kyle Stowers	MIA	\$3	\$22	\$18
Cal Raleigh	SEA	\$19	\$36	\$17
Sal Frelick	MIL	\$7	\$24	\$17
Trent Grisham	NYY		\$17	\$17
Mickey Moniak	COL	\$3	\$20	\$17
Tyler Soderstrom	ATH	\$9	\$25	\$16
Lenyn Sosa	CHW	\$2	\$17	\$16
Jake Mangum	TBR	\$2	\$17	\$16
Jacob Wilson	ATH	\$8	\$23	\$15
Ben Rice	NYY	\$2	\$17	\$15
Zach McKinstry	DET	\$1	\$16	\$15
Harrison Bader	MIN	\$3	\$18	\$15
Drake Baldwin	ATL	\$2	\$17	\$15
Romy Gonzalez	BOS	\$1	\$15	\$15
Brice Turang	MIL	\$17	\$31	\$14
Jordan Beck	COL	\$3	\$17	\$14
Byron Buxton	MIN	\$16	\$30	\$14
Jorge Polanco	SEA	\$6	\$20	\$14
Daylen Lile	WSN		\$14	\$14
Ernie Clement	TOR	\$5	\$17	\$13
Addison Barger	TOR		\$13	\$13
Dillon Dingler	DET	\$1	\$14	\$13
Miguel Andujar	ATH	\$1	\$15	\$13
Nico Hoerner	CHC	\$17	\$29	\$12
Maikel Garcia	KCR	\$16	\$28	\$12
Josh Naylor	---	\$22	\$33	\$12
Agustin Ramirez	MIA	\$2	\$14	\$12
Isaac Collins	MIL	\$1	\$14	\$12
Pete Crow-Armstrong	CHC	\$18	\$29	\$11
Yandy Diaz	TBR	\$18	\$30	\$11
Spencer Torkelson	DET	\$5	\$17	\$11
Michael Busch	CHC	\$12	\$23	\$11
Gavin Sheets	SDP	\$3	\$13	\$11
Javier Baez	DET	\$1	\$11	\$11
Nathan Lukes	TOR		\$11	\$11

Jonathan Aranda	TBR	\$8	\$19	\$11
Junior Caminero	TBR	\$22	\$31	\$10
Ryan O’Hearn	BAL	\$9	\$18	\$10
Alejandro Kirk	TOR	\$7	\$17	\$10
Adam Frazier	---	\$1	\$10	\$10
Brett Baty	NYM	\$2	\$13	\$10
Tyler Freeman	COL	\$2	\$12	\$10
Roman Anthony	BOS		\$10	\$10
Giancarlo Stanton	NYN	\$3	\$14	\$10
Dominic Canzone	SEA	\$0	\$10	\$10
Bo Bichette	TOR	\$22	\$31	\$9
Jo Adell	LAA	\$10	\$19	\$9
Alec Burleson	STL	\$12	\$21	\$9
Josh Smith	TEX	\$2	\$11	\$9
Shea Langeliers	ATH	\$16	\$24	\$9
Caleb Durbin	MIL	\$5	\$14	\$9
Caleb Durbin	MIL	\$5	\$14	\$9
Matt Shaw	CHC	\$0	\$9	\$9
Ivan Herrera	STL	\$10	\$19	\$9
Austin Hays	CIN	\$6	\$15	\$9
Jake Meyers	HOU	\$4	\$13	\$9
Noelvi Marte	CIN	\$4	\$12	\$9
Jakob Marsee	MIA		\$9	\$9
Kyle Schwarber	PHI	\$25	\$33	\$8
Brandon Nimmo	NYM	\$16	\$24	\$8
J.P. Crawford	SEA	\$7	\$16	\$8
Otto Lopez	MIA	\$8	\$15	\$8
Miguel Vargas	CHW	\$3	\$11	\$8
Jeremy Pena	HOU	\$20	\$28	\$8
Eric Wagaman	MIA	\$1	\$9	\$8
Chase Meidroth	CHW	\$0	\$8	\$8
Carlos Narvaez	BOS	\$0	\$8	\$8
Carson Kelly	CHC	\$2	\$10	\$8
Myles Straw	TOR	\$0	\$8	\$8
Heriberto Hernandez	MIA		\$8	\$8
Colson Montgomery	CHW	\$2	\$9	\$8
Brandon Lowe	TBR	\$14	\$21	\$7
Cam Smith	HOU	\$0	\$7	\$7
Wilmer Flores	SFG	\$2	\$9	\$7
Kyle Teel	CHW	\$1	\$7	\$7
Trea Turner	PHI	\$29	\$36	\$6
Eugenio Suarez	---	\$18	\$24	\$6
TJ Friedl	CIN	\$11	\$17	\$6
Christian Yelich	MIL	\$22	\$28	\$6

MOST PROFITABLE PITCHERS 2025

These guys made winning teams

Name	TM	Pre	Sept	“+/-”
Trevor Rogers	BAL		\$29	\$29
Nathan Eovaldi	TEX	\$12	\$38	\$27
Cristopher Sanchez	PHI	\$13	\$37	\$24
Nick Pivetta	SDP	\$11	\$34	\$23
Bryan Woo	SEA	\$18	\$38	\$20
Aroldis Chapman	BOS	\$8	\$28	\$20
Shawn Armstrong	TEX		\$19	\$19
Andrew Abbott	CIN	\$2	\$20	\$18
Drew Rasmussen	TBR	\$8	\$26	\$18
Hunter Brown	HOU	\$19	\$37	\$18
Adrian Morejon	SDP	\$1	\$19	\$18
Cade Horton	CHC		\$18	\$18
Emilio Pagan	CIN		\$17	\$17
Tarik Skubal	DET	\$34	\$51	\$17
Matthew Boyd	CHC	\$5	\$23	\$17
Noah Cameron	KCR		\$17	\$17
Carlos Rodon	NYY	\$13	\$31	\$17
Dennis Santana	PIT	\$2	\$19	\$17
Jacob deGrom	TEX	\$18	\$35	\$16
Garrett Crochet	BOS	\$24	\$41	\$16
Abner Uribe	MIL		\$16	\$16
Ryne Nelson	ARI	\$1	\$17	\$16
Tyler Rogers	SFG		\$16	\$16
Freddy Peralta	MIL	\$16	\$30	\$14
Brad Keller	CHC		\$14	\$14
Yoshinobu Yamamoto	LAD	\$22	\$36	\$14
Paul Skenes	PIT	\$34	\$47	\$13
Matt Svanson	STL		\$13	\$13
Ronny Henriquez	MIA		\$13	\$13
Eduard Bazarido	SEA		\$12	\$12
Gabe Speier	SEA		\$12	\$12
Steven Okert	HOU		\$12	\$12
Randy Rodriguez	SFG		\$11	\$11
Emmet Sheehan	LAD		\$11	\$11
Tyler Mahle	TEX	\$1	\$12	\$11
Garrett Whitlock	BOS		\$11	\$11
Zack Littel	TBR	\$4	\$15	\$11
Garrett Cleavinger	TBR		\$11	\$11
Eric Lauer	TOR		\$11	\$11
Merrill Kelly	ARI	\$8	\$18	\$10
Caleb Thielbar	CHC		\$10	\$10
Cade Smith	CLE	\$4	\$14	\$10
Quinn Priester	MIL		\$10	\$10

Kris Bubic	KCR	\$4	\$14	\$10
Mike Vasil	CHW		\$10	\$10
Jack Dreyer	LAD		\$9	\$9
Nick Lodolo	CIN	\$9	\$18	\$9
Bryan King	HOU		\$9	\$9
Max Fried	NYY	\$21	\$30	\$9
Aaron Ashby	MIL		\$8	\$8
Tony Santillan	CIN	\$1	\$10	\$8
Will Vest	DET	\$1	\$9	\$8
Tanner Banks	PHI		\$8	\$8
Kevin Gausman	TOR	\$14	\$22	\$8
Phil Maton	STL		\$8	\$8
Jimmy Herget	COL		\$8	\$8
Dylan Lee	ATL		\$8	\$8
Jacob Webb	TEX		\$8	\$8
Taylor Clarke	KCR		\$7	\$7
Steven Matz	STL		\$7	\$7
Daniel Palencia	CHC		\$7	\$7
Tyler Phillips	MIA		\$7	\$7
Nolan McLean	NYM		\$7	\$7
Stephen Kolek	SDP		\$7	\$7
Alex Vesia	LAD	\$1	\$8	\$7
Jameson Taillon	CHC	\$6	\$13	\$7
Shelby Miller	ARI		\$7	\$7
Cole Winn	TEX		\$7	\$7
Braydon Fisher	TOR		\$6	\$6
JoJo Romero	STL	\$1	\$7	\$6
Greg Weissert	BOS		\$6	\$6
Bennett Sousa	HOU		\$6	\$6
Shane Smith	CHW		\$6	\$6
Bryan Abreu	HOU	\$4	\$10	\$6
Justin Sterner	ATH		\$6	\$6
Anthony Bender	MIA	\$1	\$7	\$6
Riley O'Brien	STL		\$6	\$6
Joe Ryan	MIN	\$17	\$23	\$6
Andrew Kittredge	BAL		\$6	\$6
Drew Pomeranz	CHC		\$6	\$6
Shane Smith	CHW	\$1	\$6	\$6
A.J. Blubaugh	HOU		\$5	\$5
Carlos Estevez	KCR	\$13	\$18	\$5
Nick Mears	MIL		\$5	\$5
David Bednar	PIT	\$11	\$16	\$5
Tim Hill	NYY		\$5	\$5
Brandon Walter	HOU		\$5	\$5