

GETTING BETTER: The Indians' home attendance for the year now stands at 1,225,388 - 10th in the American League. The total tops Baltimore, Kansas City,



Tampa Bay, and Oakland.

ALL-TIME TOTALS: The Indians' all-time record against the Rangers dropped to 189-231. Their mark against the Tigers improved to 1,028-1,054.

LONE STAR LOSING STREAK: Saturday's comeback win snapped a seven-game Tribe losing streak to the Rangers.

OUT-MUSCLED: For as powerful as the Texas offense has been all season, the Indians actually out-slugged them last weekend, hitting 10 extra-base hits with four home runs to the Rangers' seven and two.

DOUBLE DIGITS: Thursday marked the sixth time this season the Indians scored 10 or more runs in a game, their first since lighting up Toronto for 13 on June 1.

BLOWING IT: The five-run lead the Indians squandered on Friday night was their largest blown lead of the season.

MORE MAGIC: Saturday's win also marked the Indians' 27th come-from-behind victory of the

season, and their 17th triumph in their last at-bat. Their 18th followed in Tuesday night's marathon with Detroit, which also represented their ninth walk-off victory.

YOU WOULDN'T THINK IT: With 44 RBI on the season, **Michael Brantley** has just two less than **Travis Hafner**.

DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS: Over the past three seasons, the Indians hold a record of just 4-18 against the Rangers. With a 1-6 record against Texas in 2011, it marks the third time in the past eight seasons that the Tribe has only managed to beat Texas once in a season, joining 2004 and 2009 (both 1-8).

DIVISIONAL MATTERS: The Indians' record in the Central Division now stands at 18-19.

TIGERS, OH MY: Wednesday night's Tribe victory was its 13th straight over the Tigers at Progressive Field.

MORE LIKE IT: The Detroit series marked the Indians' first series victory since taking two of three from the Yankees July 4-6. They'd either lost or tied eight consecutive series.

TRIBE KILLER: In his last 11 starts against the Indians, **Justin Verlander** is 8-1 with a 2.65 ERA. In those 11 games, the Tribe averaged just four hits per contest against him.

CENTURY HITTERS: The only two Indians with 100 hits on the season are **Asdrubal Cabrera** (133) and **Michael Brantley** (113). The next closest is **Carlos Santana** with 91.

NO JOE SCHMOE: The three runs **Joe Smith** allowed in Texas on Friday was the most he'd

permitted in his last 73 outings. Take that single outing away and his season ERA drops from 1.72 to 1.15.

TURNING A CORNER?: Over his last seven starts, **Fausto Carmona** has an ERA of 3.10.

MARATHON MEN: At 14 innings, Tuesday night's marathon was the Indians' longest game of the season, appropriately topping the 13-inning Indians-Tigers affair on April 30. It was the Tribe's longest contest since going 16 innings in a loss to the Angels last September.

RAGE IN NEED OF REDEMPTION: **Chris Perez** has allowed at least one run in six of his last eight outings. Since going five straight outings without giving up a run from June 22-July 6, Perez is 0-2 with two saves, two blown saves, and an ERA of 7.72.

SAVING THE DAY?: Saturday night's high-wire save gave **Chris Perez** 23 for the season, matching his total for 2010. It was his first successful save since July 15 - having blown two opportunities in between.

THE MAFIA STRIKES AGAIN: After a shaky series in Texas, the Indians' bullpen did not allow a run in 15 innings against Detroit.

THE GOOD KIND OF DROUGHT: Indians pitchers have not allowed a home run in their last 49 innings.

NEEDING FIVE TO STAY ALIVE: Friday night marked just the ninth time all season the Indians

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lost a game in which they managed to score at least five runs. Their record when scoring at least five now stands at 41-9, compared to their 17-48 record when they score less than five. Conversely, the Tribe is 6-32 when its opponent scores at least five runs.

A NOTICEABLE PATTERN: This year the Indians hold a 9-20 record against teams that made the postseason in 2010. They're 26-35 against teams that currently have a .500 or better record and 32-22 against teams currently below .500.

LATE-INNING DRAMA: The Indians have now lost three games in which they took a lead into the ninth. Saturday night's comeback marked the fourth time the Indians have won a game they trailed going into the ninth. The Tribe is now 5-5 in extra-inning games, having lost four of the last six, and 19-20 in one-run games, having lost seven of the last nine.

PROGRESS REPORT: The Indians are averaging 4.30 runs per game and allowing 4.30. Their team batting average is .247 (11th in the AL) and team ERA is 3.96 (ninth in the AL).

A YEAR AGO: After 115 games in 2010, the Indians stood at 48-67, fourth place in the AL Central, 17 games back of the first-place Twins.

TEXAS SERIES BY THE NUMBERS:



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The Rangers outscored the Indians, 18-17. Three of the Indians' runs and two of the Rangers' runs were unearned. Each team committed two errors.

Overall Hitting

Cleveland 26 for 107 (.243), 9 walks

Texas 27 for 107 (.252), 10 walks

With Runners in Scoring Position

Cleveland 4 for 21 (.191), 16 left on base

Texas 7 for 21 (.333), 19 left on base

Extra-Base Hits

Cleveland 10 (4 HR)

Texas 7 (2 HR)

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Overall Pitching

Cleveland 27.2 IP, 27 H, 10 BB, 19 SO, 16 ER, 5.20 ERA

Texas 29 IP, 5 H, 2 BB, 5 SO, 3 ER, 3.00 ERA

Starting Pitchers

Cleveland 18.1 IP, 17 H, 7 BB, 13 SO, 9 ER, 1.47 ERA

Texas 15.2 IP, 15 H, 4 BB, 13 SO, 9 ER, 5.17 ERA

Relief Pitchers

Cleveland 1-2, 1 save; 9.1 IP, 10 H, 3 BB, 6 SO, 7 ER, 6.75 ERA

Texas 2-1, 2 saves; 13.1 IP, 11 H, 5 BB, 10 SO, 5 ER, 3.37 ERA

DETROIT SERIES BY THE NUMBERS:



The Indians outscored the Tigers, 16-9. The Tigers scored one unearned run. Each team committed one error.

Overall Hitting

Detroit 24 for 116 (.207), 7 walks

Cleveland 28 for 114 (.246), 8 walks

With Runners in Scoring Position

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Detroit 4 for 22 (.182), 20 left on base

Cleveland 9 for 22 (.409), 19 left on base

Extra-Base Hits

Detroit 5 (0 HR)

Cleveland 12 (2 HR)

Overall Pitching

Detroit 30.1 IP, 28 H, 8 BB, 31 SO, 16 ER, 4.75 ERA

Cleveland 32 IP, 24 H, 7 BB, 27 SO, 8 ER, 2.25 ERA

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Starting Pitchers

Detroit 1-1; 12.2 IP, 18 H, 3 BB, 13 SO, 13 ER, 9.23 ERA

Cleveland 1-1; 17 IP, 17 H, 4 BB, 14 SO, 8 ER, 4.24 ERA

Relief Pitchers

Detroit 0-1; 17.2 IP, 10 H, 5 BB, 18 SO, 3 ER, 1.53 ERA

Cleveland 1-0; 15 IP, 7 H, 3 BB, 13 SO, 0 ER, 0.00 ERA

UP NEXT:

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