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REDS LEAD WILD-CARD

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Cincinnati moved clear in the NL wild-card race following a very good 7-2 week. They opened with a defeat at home to the Pirates but surged back with successive sweeps at home to the Braves and on the road in New York to give them a 4 game lead over the Giants. Pittsburgh followed their opening win with a surprise home defeat at the hands of the Phillies but they too came back well with a sweep in Montreal for a good 6-3 week and a 12 game lead atop the division. Chicago opened with a win over St Louis but a sweep in LA put the brakes on a little but they did come back well with a win over the Giants for a slightly below par 4-5 week. St Louis beat the Padres in their 2nd series but a home sweep by the Rockies in their final series left them with poor 3-6 return for the week.

LA started with a surprise home loss to the Padres but were soon back in the groove with sweeps of the Cubs and Braves for a very good 7-2 week which leaves them 4 weeks to gather the 28 wins which would break the record they set themselves last year for the number of victories in a season. Colorado were beaten on the road in San Francisco in their opening series but victory over the Expos and a sweep in St Louis gave them a good 6-3 record for the week. San Diego didn't build on their excellent start as they were beaten at home by the Cards and on the road in Philadelphia for a below par 4-5 week. San Francisco didn't build on their good start as they were swept at home by the Mets and defeated in Chicago for a poor 3-6 record for the week.

Philadelphia started with a win in Atlanta, they followed up with an even better win in Pittsburgh and finished the job with a home win over the Padres for a good 6-3 week. Montreal started well with a great sweep in New York but they fell away after that as they lost in Colorado and were swept at home by the Pirates for a below par 4-5 week. New York recovered from their opening sweep to inflict a sweep of their own on the Giants but inexperience told in their final series as they were swept again at home by the Reds for a poor 3-6 record for the week. Atlanta were swept by the Reds in their 2nd series and by the Dodgers in their 3rd for a terrible 1-8 return for the week.

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Rangers Fight Back

Texas opened with win on the road in Oakland, they followed up with a home win over the Yankees and ended in style with a great sweep in Milwaukee for a very good 7-2 record for the week. Seattle started with a loss on the road in Anaheim but a home win over the Brewers and a good sweep in Boston gave the Mariners a good 6-3 week and leaves them still 10 games clear atop the division. Anaheim followed their opening win with another home win over Chicago but the wheel fell off after that as they crashed to a sweep on the road in Toronto in a real close series leaving them with a below par 4-5 record for the week. Oakland recovered from their opening loss to beat the D-Rays but a sweep in Chicago in their final series left them with a poor 3-6 record for the week.







Toronto were beaten at home by the Red Sox to open the week but they stormed back to record a win in Detroit and a sweep over the Angels for a good 6-3 week and ore importantly a 3 game lead at the head of the division. Tampa opened with a series win over the Yankees and despite losing their 2nd series in Oakland they rallied to beat the Tigers for a solid 5-4 return for the week. Boston had their 2nd great road win over the Twins in their 2nd series but a sweep at home to the Mariners left them with a below par 4-5 week. New York were beaten by the Rangers in their 2nd series and they lost at home to the Twins in their final series for a poor 3-6 record for the week.

Chicago opened with a good series win over Milwaukee, they lost their 2nd series on the road in Anaheim but they came back superbly with a great sweep over the A's for a good 6-3 return for the week. Detroit opened with a home win over Minnesota but defeats at home to the Blue Jays and on the road in Tampa left them with a below par 4-5 record. Minnesota were beaten at home by Boston in their 2nd series but victory in New York kept them in touch with the leaders despite a below par 4-5 week. Milwaukee were beaten by the Mariners in their 2nd series and swept by Texas in their final series for a very poor 2-7 week.

Wild Card Race – AL

	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>GB</u>
 Yankees	75	51	–
 Rangers	72	54	3
 Athletics	67	59	8
 Red Sox	66	60	9
 Twins	61	65	14
 White Sox	58	68	17

Wild Card Race – NL

	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>GB</u>
 Reds	70	56	–
 Giants	66	60	4
 Rockies	61	65	9
 Cardinals	59	67	11
 Cubs	55	71	15
 Expos	55	71	15

How You Stand

Franchise	Won	Lost	%age	Str	For	Agnst	Diff
Los Angeles Dodgers	90	36	0.714	W6	1063	617	446
Pittsburgh Pirates	82	44	0.651	W3	766	566	200
Seattle Mariners	82	44	0.651	W5	697	505	192
Toronto Blue Jays	78	48	0.619	W5	658	526	132
New York Mets	77	49	0.611	L3	886	667	219
New York Yankees	75	51	0.595	L2	773	604	169
Texas Rangers	72	54	0.571	W5	710	588	122
Cincinnati Reds	70	56	0.556	W6	660	593	67
Oakland Athletics	67	59	0.532	L3	660	645	15
San Francisco Giants	66	60	0.524	L2	667	619	48
Boston Red Sox	66	60	0.524	L3	579	564	15
Detroit Tigers	62	64	0.492	L1	570	597	-27
Minnesota Twins	61	65	0.484	W2	605	612	-7
Colorado Rockies	61	65	0.484	W4	596	652	-56
St Louis Cardinals	59	67	0.468	L3	619	647	-28
Chicago White Sox	58	68	0.460	W4	541	657	-116
Milwaukee Brewers	55	71	0.437	L5	477	557	-80
Chicago Cubs	55	71	0.437	W2	576	691	-115
Anaheim Angels	55	71	0.437	L4	530	662	-132
Montreal Expos	55	71	0.437	L4	556	697	-141
Philadelphia Phillies	49	77	0.389	W2	535	683	-148
Atlanta Braves	43	83	0.341	L7	549	753	-204
Tampa Bay Devil Rays	40	86	0.317	W1	399	665	-266
San Diego Padres	34	92	0.270	L2	390	695	-305

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