

Amazing Strikeout Streaks

*Pitchers Who Struck Out at Least One Batter...
in the Most Consecutive Innings (1908-2025)*

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Player performance streaks are a particularly important as well as fascinating part of baseball. Among the most revered diamond steaks are Joltin' Joe DiMaggio's famous 56 consecutive games hitting streak in 1941; Ted Williams's mind-boggling 84 consecutive games on base safely streak in 1949; Orel Hershisier's phenomenal 59 consecutive scoreless innings streak in 1988; Tom Seaver's stunning 10 consecutive batters struck out streak in 1970 (subsequently equaled in 2021 by Aaron Nola and Corbin Burnes).

Another almost "beyond comprehension" performance streak is the *63 consecutive innings with at least one batter struck out* streak fabricated by Gerrit Cole of the Houston Astros in 2019.[5] While much has been written about the other above-identified streaks,[1-4] mention of Cole's "out-of-this-world" streak seems to have "fallen off the edge of the earth." Curiously, as best we have been able to determine, Cole's streak, which commenced on August first, was not even publicized until nearly two weeks after the regular season had ended.[6] To wit, we have not been able to find any coverage or commentary about the streak during its progression, suggesting that the baseball world was not even aware of the extraordinary streak that Cole was engaged in. The attention that Cole's stellar pitching attracted during the final two months of the regular season was focused on: (a) his consecutive double-digit strikeout games, (b) his consecutive victories, and (c) the league leading strikeout numbers he was amassing.

It was not until after Cole had won Game 5 of the American League Division Series — after having also previously won Game 2 — that his *consecutive innings with at least one batter struck out* streak was reported. An October 11 article, focused on "10 facts to know about Cole's latest gem and his season-long run of success," included the following — as the *seventh* [ranked] item:

"Despite all of his strikeouts, Cole didn't record one in the third inning of Game 5. He had recorded at least one strikeout in 73 consecutive innings dating to August 1. According to the Elias Sports Bureau, that's the longest such streak in the Expansion Era (since 1961) by 33 innings." [7]

Moreover, it was not until after the midpoint of the following season, in an August 26, 2020 article, focused on Cole's remarkable unbeaten streak (28 starts; 20-0 W-L record), that his consecutive innings with at least one batter struck out streak during the *regular-season* of 2019 was mentioned:

“At one point during the unbeaten run, Cole struck out at least one batter in 66 consecutive regular-season innings — that was the longest streak in MLB’s expansion era (since 1961) by more than 25 innings, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.”[8] It is emphasized that the “66” number reported includes “63” (through the end of the 2019 season) and “3” (for the first three innings of the first game of the 2020 season); i.e., the “66” is a combined-two-seasons number. In the Appendix to our article, the complete strikeout-by-strikeout details on an inning-by-inning basis of Cole’s astronomical feats are provided: 2019 regular season; 2019 regular plus post-season; 2019-2020 combined regular seasons.

We became aware of Cole’s *63 consecutive innings with at least one batter struck out* streak while doing research on “Flawless Pitcher’s Cycles” — another remarkable feat Cole achieved during his streak.[9,10] Searching the internet for information on Cole’s streak and analogous streaks by other pitchers, we found nothing besides the three articles referenced above (i.e., references 5,6, and 8). Moreover, upon consulting the most recent editions of the baseball record books published by the Elias Sports Bureau (the official statistician of major league baseball) and The Sporting News (nicknamed “The Bible of Baseball”), we found that the record for “Most Innings, Consecutive, Batter Struck Out” was not even included.[11,12] So, we decided to conduct the requisite research to establish a more-comprehensive perspective of Cole’s extraordinary feat.[13]

OBJECTIVES

Here are the principal questions we wanted to find answers for:

[1] What is the chronology of Cole’s ML record streak of *63 consecutive innings with at least one batter struck out* — i.e., who were the pitchers who had the record prior to Cole?

[2] Who were the annual leaders in such streaks?

[3] What are the best such streaks manufactured by *relief* pitchers.

RESEARCH PROCEDURE

Utilizing the Retrosheet database with play-by-play information (i.e., the 1908-2025 seasons), computer programs were devised to extract the requisite information to answer our questions.

RESULTS

Table 1 lists the pitchers with the Top-24 single-season streaks for at least one “Strikeout (**K**) in each Inning Pitched (**IP**)” — hereby dubbed “**KIP** Steaks” — achieved during the period from the 1908 season through the 2025 campaign. Each of the hurlers listed accomplished a KIP streak of at least 27 innings. The Appendix to this article also provides tables for pitchers who accomplished KIP streaks between 26 and 18 innings. There were 218 KIP streaks between 26 and 18 innings — 26 KIP streaks (3 occurrences); 25 (8); 24 (10); 23 (17); 22 (23); 21 (23); 20 (26); 19 (41); 18 (70).

Table 1. The Top-24 KIP Streaks (1908-2025) — KIP Streaks Equal To or Greater Than 27.

Pitcher (Team) {Year}	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last	SO	SO/IP
Gerrit Cole (HOU) [1999]	10–0	63	8-01 (7)	9-29 (5)	111	1.8
Pedro Martinez (BOS) [1999]	6–1	40	8-03 (2)	9-10 (3)	68	1.7
Johan Santana (MIN) [2002]	6–3	39	7-19 (7)	8-22 (5)	57	1.5
Aroldis Chapman (2T) [2023]	0–38	39	5-07 (8)	8-29 (9)	72	1.8
Chris Sale (CWS) [2015]	6–0	38	5-28(1) (4)	6-24 (3)	68	1.8
Edwin Diaz (NYM) [2022]	0–32	36	6-25 (9)	10-04(1) (8)	74	2.1
Clayton Kershaw (LAD) [2023]	7-0	35	4-29 (2)	6-02 (4)	50	1.4
Blake Snell (SDP) [2023]	7-0	35	6-11 (7)	7-15(1) (5)	59	1.7
Clayton Kershaw (LAD) [2015]	5-0	34	8-18 (3)	9-08 (4)	51	1.5
Pedro Martinez (BOS) [1999]	6–0	33	4-25 (9)	5-23 (2)	57	1.7
Gerrit Cole (NYY) [2021]	6-0	33	6-27 (2)	7-29 (5)	53	1.6
Zac Gallen (ARZ) [2024]	7-0	33	8-17 (4)	9-20 (4)	45	1.4
Dellin Betances (NYY) [2018]	0-31	32	7-01 (9)	9-22 (8)	52	1.6
Edwin Uceta (TBR) [2025]	0-23	31	5-29 (6)	8-02 (7)	52	1.7
Rich Harden (2T) [2008]	6-0	30	7-06 (3)	8-05 (2)	47	1.6
Chris Sale (BOS) [2017]	5–0	30	6-26 (3)	7-21 (3)	48	1.6
Aroldis Chapman (NYY) [2021]	0–29	29	7-06 (9)	10-03 (9)	48	1.7
Octavio Dotel (HOU) [2001]	0-15	28	6-18 (8)	7-27 (8)	45	1.6
Kerry Wood (CHC) [2001]	6-0	28	4-04 (4)	5-03 (2)	47	1.7
Aroldis Chapman (CIN) [2014]	0–27	28	5-19 (10)	7-20 (9)	56	2.0
Ronny Henriquez (MIN) [2025]	0-23	28	5-02 (5)	6-25 (6)	33	1.2
Corey Kluber (CLE) [2018]	5-0	27	8-31 (4)	9-24 (6)	42	1.6
Justin Verlander (HOU) [2018]	5-0	27	9-04 (6)	9-29(1) (5)	44	1.6
Garrett Crochet (BOS) [2025]	5-0	27	6-18 (1)	7-12 (3)	38	1.4

NOTES: (1) The “S-R” column gives the number of games the pitcher started (S) and relieved (R) during the KIP streak. (2) The “First” column gives the date of the game the pitcher began his KIP streak; the entry in parentheses gives the inning the pitcher began his KIP streak. (3) The “Last” column gives the date of the game and (in parentheses) the inning the pitcher had his last strikeout. (4) The “SO” column gives the number of batters struck out during the KIP streak. (5) The “SO/IP” column gives the SO/IP ratio during the KIP streak. (6) For Aroldis Chapman in 2023, he pitched for both the Kansas City Royals and the Texas Rangers. (7) For Rich Harden in 2008, he pitched for both the Oakland Athletics and the Chicago Cubs.

Certainly the most eye-catching result in Table 1 is the phenomenal 63 KIP streak assembled by Gerrit Cole in 2019. His 63 KIP streak is 23 innings greater than the runner-up 40 KIP streak manufactured by Pedro Martinez in 1999. Clustered right behind Martinez are those hurlers with KIP streaks of 39 (Johan Santana and Aroldis Chapman), 38 (Chris Sale), 36 (Edwin Diaz), 35 (Clayton Kershaw and Blake Snell), and so on. Interestingly, Cole's 63 KIP streak was still "alive" when the 2019 regular season ended — because he struck out a batter in the final inning he pitched in the 2019 season. Cole then extended his streak into the post-season by striking out at least one batter in the first ten innings he hurled against the Tampa Bay Rays in the American League Division Series — giving him an overall 73 KIP streak! Cole also extended his regular-season KIP streak to 66 by striking out at least one batter in each of the first three innings he tossed at the start of the COVID-abbreviated 2020 campaign.

Another striking result which emerges from inspection of Table 1 is that *each* of the pitchers accomplished his KIP streak(s) during the 1999-2025 timeframe. This observation is, of course, completely consistent with the well-documented huge increase in the rate of pitchers striking out batters over the past 80-some years and especially during the first quarter of the 21st century.[14,15] In order to get a more comprehensive perspective of the top KIP streak achievers, Tables 2a-2f present the pitchers who fabricated the longest KIP streak each season in the American and National Leagues from 1908 through 2025. An "R" entry indicates that the hurler was primarily a relief pitcher during the specified season; an asterisk (i.e., R*) indicates that the hurler was was a relief pitcher for at least 80% of his mound games.

As can be seen, several pitchers were KIP streak leaders multiple times. Dazzy Vance was the most prolific — he claimed six gold medals: consecutively — each season from 1923 through 1928.[16] Bob Feller picked up five blue ribbons in his Hall of Fame career and might have earned more if he had not spent three years (1942-1944) in military service during World War Two. Nolan Ryan and Randy Johnson earned six KIP crowns each: The Express achieved four in the Junior Circuit and a pair in the Senior Loop; The Big Unit accomplished five in the AL and one in the NL. Hippo Vaughn and Roger Clemens each occupied the longest KIP streak throne four times. Hurlers with three first-place finishes included: Walter Johnson, Lefty Grove, Lefty Gomez, Camilo Pascual, Sam McDowell, Pedro Martinez, Johan Santana, and Gerrit Cole from the American League; and Dizzy Dean, Johnny Vander Meer, Sandy Koufax, and Kerry Wood from the National League; Aroldis Chapman also picked up three first-place trophies — two in the NL and one in the AL.

Inspection of Tables 2a-2f allowed us to easily ascertain the chronology of the record for the longest KIP streak. Table 3a lists the hurlers who preceded Gerrit Cole for the record for the longest KIP streak in the American League. Table 3b provides the chronology for the record holders in the National League. For the Federal League (1914 and 1915), the record holder is George LeClair of the Pittsburgh Rebels; he achieved a 15 KIP streak in 1914. (The KIP streak leader for the FL in the 1915 season was Dave Davenport of the St. Louis Terriers; he accomplished a KIP streak of 11.) Table 3c gives the chronology for the major league record holder. Examination of Tables 3a, 3b, and 3c reveals that there are some interesting aspects associated with the chronologies.

Table 2a. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (1908-1928).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Ed Walsh (CWS) Rube Waddell (SLB)	12	1908	Red Ames (NYG)	11
Tom J. Hughes (WAS)	12	1909	Earl Moore (PHP)	12
Ed Walsh (CWS)	16	1910	Nap Rucker (BRK)	12
Joe Wood (BOS)	9	1911	Grover Alexander (PHP)	11
Joe Wood (BOS)	12	1912	Nap Rucker (BRK) Jeff Tesreau (NYG)	11
Walter Johnson (WAS)	11	1913	Hub Perdue (BSN)	8
Ray Keating (NYY)	13	1914	Hippo Vaughn (CHC)	11
Babe Ruth (BOS)	12	1915	Jeff Tesreau (NYG) Karl Adams (CIN [R])	10
Harry Harper (WAS) Dave Danforth (CWS) ... [R] Elmer Myers (PHA) Bob Groom (SLB) Ray Caldwell (NYY)	9	1916	Al Mamaux (PIT)	9
Walter Johnson (WAS)	11	1917	Hippo Vaughn (CHC) Art Nehf (BSN)	10
Jim Shaw (WAS)	9	1918	Ralph Comstock (PIT) Hippo Vaughn (CHC)	7
Eric Erickson (WAS)	11	1919	Hippo Vaughn (CHC)	9
Urban Shocker (SLB)	9	1920	Al Mamaux (BRK) ... [R]	11
Bob Shawkey (NYY)	8	1921	Lefty York (CHC) ... [R]	8
Red Faber (CWS)	11	1922	Burleigh Grimes (BRK)	8
Cy Warmoth (WAS)	7	1923	Dazzy Vance (BRK)	9
Walter Johnson (WAS)	9	1924	Dazzy Vance (BRK)	9
Alex Ferguson (WAS)	8	1925	Dazzy Vance (BRK)	11
Lefty Grove (PHA)	10	1926	Dazzy Vance (BRK)	19
Lefty Grove (PHA)	8	1927	Dazzy Vance (BRK) Jakie May (CIN)	7
George Earnshaw (PHA) Ossie Orwoll (PHA) ... [R]	9	1928	Dazzy Vance (BRK) Pat Malone (CHC) Syl Johnson (SLC) ... [R*] Watty Clark (BRK) ... [R] Jumbo Elliott (BRK) Hub Pruett (PHP) Jimmy Ring (PHP)	6

Table 2b. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (1929-1949).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Lefty Grove (PHA) Wes Ferrell (CLE)	9	1929	Ray Benge (PHP)	11
George Earnshaw (PHA)	12	1930	Joe Heving (NYG) ... [R*]	8
Lefty Gomez (NYY) Wes Ferrell (CLE)	10	1931	Bill Hallahan (SLC)	13
Lefty Gomez (NYY)	11	1932	Carl Hubbell (NYG) Van Mungo (BRK)	13
Lefty Gomez (NYY)	11	1933	Dizzy Dean (SLC)	8
Schoolboy Rowe (DET)	10	1934	Dizzy Dean (SLC)	10
Thornton Lee (CLE)	12	1935	Paul Derringer (CIN)	11
Bob Feller (CLE)	9	1936	Van Mungo (BRK)	10
Bob Feller (CLE)	10	1937	Dizzy Dean (SLC)	12
Joe Kraskauskas (WAS) ... [R]	12	1938	Bob Weiland (SLC)	11
Lefty Mills (SLA) ... [R]	10	1939	Whitey Moore (CIN)	9
Bob Feller (CLE)	13	1940	Whitlow Wyatt (BRK)	8
Bobo Newsom (DET)	10	1941	Johnny Vander Meer (CIN)	15
Tommy Bridges (DET)	9	1942	Johnny Vander Meer (CIN) Kirby Higbe (BRK)	9
Tommy Bridges (DET) Allie Reynolds (CLE)	9	1943	Johnny Vander Meer (CIN)	9
Johnny Niggeling (WAS)	15	1944	Paul Erickson (CHC) ... [R]	10
Bob Feller (CLE)	9	1945	Ralph Branca Mort Cooper (BSN) Bob Chipman (CHC) ... [R] Oscar Judd (PHP) ... [R]	7
Bob Feller (CLE) Hal Newhouser (DET) Dick Fowler (PHA)	12	1946	Bob Joyce (NYG)	7
Joe Page (NYY) ... [R*]	11	1947	Red Munger (SLC) Kent Peterson (CIN) ... [R] Johnny Schmitz (CHC)	8
Virgil Trucks (DET)	11	1948	Ewell Blackwell (CIN) ... [R*]	14
Hal Newhouser (DET) Chuck Stobbs (BOS)	8	1949	Ralph Branca (BRK)	11

Table 2c. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (1950-1969).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Ted Gray (DET)	9	1950	Ken Johnson (PHP)	9
Lou Kretlow (CWS)	9	1951	Jacko Thompson (PHP) ... [R] Robin Roberts (PHP)	10
Bobby Shantz (PHA) Mickey McDermott (BOS) Ted Gray (DET)	10	1952	Curt Simmons (PHI)	14
Early Wynn (CLE)	9	1953	Larry Jansen (NYG)	12
Billy Pierce (CWS)	10	1954	Joe Nuxhall (CIN) ... [R] Billy Loes (BRK) Warren Spahn (MIL)	9
Billy Pierce (CWS)	11	1955	Roger Craig (BRK) ... [R]	11
Herb Score (CLE) Camilo Pascual (WAS)	13	1956	Wilmer Mizell (STL)	12
Bob Grim (NYY)	12	1957	Sandy Koufax (BRK) ... [R]	14
Jim Bunning (DET) Camilo Pascual (WAS)	11	1958	Sam Jones (SLC)	15
Jim Bunning (DET)	14	1959	Elroy Face (PIT) ... [R*]	12
Hank Aguirre (DET) ... [R*]	17	1960	Sam Jones (SFG)	15
Camilo Pascual (MIN)	16	1961	Sandy Koufax (LAD)	13
Juan Pizarro (CWS)	14	1962	Sandy Koufax (LAD)	17
Pedro Ramos (CLE)	16	1963	Juan Marichal (SFG)	15
Dick Radatz (BOS) ... [R*] Jack Kralick (CLE)	16	1964	Bob Veale (PIT)	13
Sam McDowell (CLE)	25	1965	Bob Veale (PIT)	18
Dave Boswell (MIN)	20	1966	Mike Cuellar (HOU)	13
Luis Tiant (CLE)	16	1967	Don Wilson (HOU)	19
Sam McDowell (CLE) Luis Tiant (CLE)	20	1968	Bob Gibson (STL)	16
Mike Paul (CLE) ... [R]	16	1969	Bob Moose (PIT) ... [R]	16

Table 2d. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (1970-1989).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Sam McDowell (CLE)	14	1970	Fergie Jenkins (CHC)	23
Bart Johnson (CWS) ... [R]	18	1971	Fergie Jenkins (CHC) Clay Kirby (SDP)	15
Nolan Ryan (CAL)	17	1972	Fred Norman (SDP)	17
Nolan Ryan (CAL)	19	1973	Tom Seaver (NYM)	17
Nolan Ryan (CAL)	18	1974	Wayne Twitchell (PHI)	13
John Hiller (DET) ... [R*]	15	1975	John Montefusco (SFG)	12
Frank Tanana (CAL)	14	1976	J.R. Richard (HOU)	15
Nolan Ryan (CAL)	14	1977	Jerry Koosman (NYM)	17
Ron Guidry (NYY)	13	1978	Mark Littell (SLC) ... [R*]	23
Ron Guidry (NYY) Aurelio Lopez (DET) ... [R*]	18	1979	J.R. Richard (HOU)	16
Len Barker (CLE)	13	1980	Steve Carlton (PHP)	17
Ron Davis (NYY) ... [R*]	14	1981	Bruce Berenyi (CIN)	12
Len Barker (CLE) John Tudor (BOS)	12	1982	Nolan Ryan (HOU)	15
Floyd Bannister (CWS)	14	1983	Steve Carlton (PHP)	13
Roger Clemens (BOS)	16	1984	Dwight Gooden NYM)	17
Floyd Bannister (CWS)	22	1985	Sid Fernadez (NYM) Rick Reuschel (PIT)	13
Mark Langston (SEA)	18	1986	Fernando Valenzuela (LAD)	14
Calvin Schiraldi (BOS) ... [R*]	17	1987	Nolan Ryan (HOU)	21
Roger Clemens (BOS)	14	1988	David Cone (NYM)	14
Mark Langston (SEA)	15	1989	Norm Charlton (CIN) ... [R*]	16

Table 2e. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (1990-2009).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Roger Clemens (BOS)	15	1990	David Cone (NYM)	17
Roger Clemens (BOS)	19	1991	Kevin Gross (LAD) ... [R]	17
Kevin Appier (KCR)	15	1992	Kevin Gross (LAD)	25
Randy Johnson (SEA)	15	1993	Chris Hammond (FLA)	16
Randy Johnson (SEA)	22	1994	Andy Benes (SDP) Tom Glavine (ATL)	13
Kevin Appier (KCR) Alex Fernandez (CWS)	15	1995	Hideo Nomo (LAD)	25
Mariano Rivera (NYY) ... [R*]	16	1996	Hideo Nomo (LAD)	17
Randy Johnson (SEA)	15	1997	John Smoltz (ATL)	22
Randy Johnson (SEA)	22	1998	Kerry Wood (CHC)	23
Pedro Martinez (BOS)	40	1999	Randy Johnson (ARZ)	19
Pedro Martinez (BOS)	16	2000	Pedro Astacio (COL)	21
Pedro Martinez (BOS)	24	2001	Octavio Dotel (HOU) ... [R*] Kerry Wood (CHC)	28
Johan Santana (MN)	39	2002	Byung-Hyun Kim (ARZ) ... [R*]	24
Andy Pettitte (NYY) Francisco Rodriguez (ANA) ... [R*] Rafael Soriano (SEA) ... [R*]	16	2003	Kerry Wood (CHC)	17
Francisco Rodriguez (ANA) ... [R*]	23	2004	Brad Lidge (HOU) ... [R*]	22
Kelvim Escobar (ANA) ... [R] Randy Johnson (NYY)	16	2005	Brad Lidge (HOU) ... [R*]	20
Johan Santana (MN)	22	2006	Jorge Julio (NYM) ... [R*]	20
Johan Santana (MN) Javier Vazquez (CWS)	21	2007	Jake Peavy (SDP)	20
Frank Francisco (TEX) ... [R*]	19	2008	Rich Harden (CHC)	27
Michael Wuertz (OAK) ... [R*] James Shields (TBR)	15	2009	Jorge de la Rosa (COL) Rich Harden (CHC) Tim Lincecum (SFG) Jonathan Sanchez (SFG)	16

NOTE: Rich Harden was the ML leader in longest KIP streak in 2008 (30) — he had an active 3 KIP streak after the July 06 game playing with the AL Athletics before joining NL Cubs and pitching in his next game on July 12.

Table 2f. Annual Leaders in Longest KIP Streak (2010-2025).

AL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak	Year	NL Leader (Team) ... [R]	KIP Streak
Jon Lester (BOS)	26	2010	Jonathan Sanchez (SFG)	23
Jordan Walden (ANA) ... [R*] Koji Uehara (BAL) ... [R*]	17	2011	Zack Greinke (MIL)	22
Vinnie Pestano (CLE) ... [R*]	21	2012	Aroldis Chapman (CIN) ... [R*]	24
Anibal Sanchez (DET)	23	2013	Gio Gonzalez (WAS) David Hernandez (ARZ) ... [R*]	16
Wade Davis (KCR) ... [R*]	25	2014	Aroldis Chapman (CIN) ... [R*]	28
Chris Sale (CWS)	38	2015	Clayton Kershaw (LAD)	34
Andrew Miller (NYY) ... [R*]	26	2016	Max Scherzer (WSN)	22
Chris Sale (BOS)	30	2017	Carl Edwards (CHC) ... [R*]	20
Dellin Betances (NYY) ... [R*]	32	2018	Josh Hader (MIL) ... [R*]	24
Gerrit Cole (HOU)	63	2019	Max Scherzer (WSN)	23
Lucas Giolito (CWS) Tyler Glasnow (TBR)	22	2020	Jacob deGrom (NYM)	25
Gerrit Cole (NYY)	33	2021	Kevin Gausman (SFG)	26
Gerrit Cole (NYY)	24	2022	Edwin Diaz (NYM) ... [R*]	36
Aroldis Chapman (2T) ... [R*]	39	2023	Clayton Kershaw (LAD) Blake Snell (SDP)	35
Garrett Crochet (BOS) Gavin Williams (CLE)	21	2024	Zac Gallen (ARZ)	33
Edwin Uceta (TBR) ... [R*]	31	2025	Ronny Henriquez (MIA) ... [R*]	28
		2026		

NOTE: In 2023 Aroldis Chapman achieved his 39 KIP pitching for two teams — Kansas City Royals (18 KIP) and Texas Rangers (21 KIP).

Table 3a. Pitchers Who Held the Record for Longest KIP Streak — American League.

AL Leader (Team)	Year	KIP Streak
Ed Walsh (CWS) Rube Waddell (SLB)	1908	12
Ed Walsh (CWS)	1910	16
Hank Aguirre (DET)	1960	17
Sam McDowell (CLE)	1965	25
Pedro Martinez (BOS)	1999	40
Garrit Cole (HOU)	2019	63

Table 3b. Pitchers Who Held the Record for Longest KIP Streak — National League.

NL Leader (Team)	Year	KIP Streak
Red Ames (NYG)	1908	11
Earl Moore (PHP) Nap Rucker (BRK)	1909 1910	12
Dazzy Vance (BRK) Don Wilson (HOU)	1926 1967	19
Fergie Jenkins (CHC) Mark Littell (SLC)	1970 1978	23
Kevin Gross (LAD)	1992	25
Octavio Dotel (HOU)	2001	28
Clayton Kershaw (LAD)	2015	34
Edwin Diaz (NYM)	2022	36

Table 3c. Pitchers Who Held the Record for Longest KIP Streak — AL/NL

ML Leader (Team) [League]	Year	KIP Streak
Ed Walsh (CWS) [AL] Rube Waddell (SLB) [AL] Earl Moore (PHP) [NL]	1908 1908 1909	12
Ed Walsh (CWS) [AL]	1910	16
Dazzy Vance (BRK) [NL]	1926	19
Sam McDowell (CLE) [AL]	1965	25
Pedro Martinez (BOS) [AL]	1999	40
Gerrit Cole (HOU) [AL]	2019	63

For example, Hank Aguirre claimed the AL record in 1960 from Ed Walsh who had occupied the throne for the previous 52 years (1908-1959). Also, it is noted that Aguirre assembled his record 17 KIP streak primarily as a relief pitcher. Here's how Aguirre, who was probably never characterized as "a strikeout pitcher," earned the record. Following eight games of being deployed as a reliever exclusively (June 16-July 10), Aguirre was chosen by Tigers manager Jimmy Dykes to start the first game of the double header against the Baltimore Orioles at Memorial Stadium. Hank responded with an outstanding performance — he hurled a complete game 3-hitter and emerged with a 4-1 triumph, walking two and striking out two. A week and a half later, for his next game, on August 3, Dykes again called on him to start, this time against the first-place Yankees in The Big Apple. Hank responded with another top-notch performance — he tossed six innings of one-hit ball; he was not touched for any runs and did not walk a batter while he struck out nine batters — at least one in each of the six innings he pitched. The Tigers came out on top, 12-2, the victory snapping a four-game losing streak.

Between, Aguirre's wins on July 23 and August 3, Detroit compiled a dismal 2-11 won-lost ledger. That poor stretch left the Tigers with a disappointing 44-52 record and led to an unusual transaction — Detroit's manager Dykes was traded to Cleveland for the Indians skipper Joe Gordon (who had guided the Tribe to a decent but not spectacular 52-46 record). With Gordon now leading the direction of the Tigers, Aguirre returned to the bullpen for the remainder of the campaign. In his next seven games he proceeded to extend his consecutive innings pitched with a least one strikeout from 6 to 17:

August 11 [vs Baltimore] (2 IP) — K'd: Dave Nicholson (8th); Jack Fisher (9th) —> 8 KIP

August 14 (2) [at Cleveland] (2 IP) — K'd: Don Newcomb (8th); Johnny Romano (9th) —> 10 KIP

August 19 [vs Cleveland] (0.2 IP) — K'd: Johnny Romano (9th) —> 11 KIP

August 20 [vs Cleveland] (1.0 IP) — K'd: Johnny Romano (9th) —> 12 KIP

August 28 (1) [at New York] (1.2 IP) — K'd: Roger Maris (8th); Gil McDougald (8th); Bob Cerv (9th); Mickey Mantle (9th) —> 14 KIP

August 28 (2) [at New York] (0.2 IP) — K'd: Yogi Berra (6th) —> 15 KIP

August 30 (1) [at Boston] (2.1 IP) — K'd: Vic Wertz (8th); Jim Pagliaroni (9th); Don Buddin (9th) —> 17 KIP [KIP streak terminated in 11th inning.]

Aguirre held the AL's longest KIP streak record for only a few years: Sam McDowell of the Cleveland Indians took over the throne in 1965 with his 25 KIP streak. Sudden Sam wore the crown for 24 years before surrendering it to Pedro Martinez, who amassed a 33 KIP streak at the beginning of the 1999 season (April-May) and then carved out his fabulous 40 KIP streak in the final two months of the campaign (August-September). Pedro remained the numero-uno for twenty years, until Gerrit Cole accomplished his unprecedented 63 KIP streak in 2019.

Over in the National League, Dazzy Vance was the premier record holder, having put together a 19 KIP streak in 1926, usurping the throne from co-occupants Earl Moore and Nap Rucker. Vance held the record for over forty years (although he had to share the honor with Don Wilson of the Houston Astros beginning in 1967). Succeeding Vance (and Wilson) have been a handful of hurlers including Fergie Jenkins, Mark Littell, Kevin Gross, Octavio Dotel, Clayton Kershaw, and Edwin Diaz, the current occupant of the throne. Interestingly, half of these half dozen hurlers claimed the throne as relief pitchers — Littell, Dotel, and Diaz.

Turning to the ML record holder of the longest KIP streak, the roster has been dominated by AL pitchers — the only NLers on the list are Earl Moore and Dazzy Vance. With Gerrit Cole now having the KIP streak record (63), it probably will remain in the Junior Circuit for many years.

Another interesting result discernible from examination of Table 1 is: both starting pitchers and relief pitchers are on the list — eight of the top 24 KIP streaks were fashioned by relief pitchers: Aroldis Chapman (with three of the eight longest KIP streaks), Edwin Diaz, Dellin Betances, Edwin Uceda, Octavio Dotel, and Ronny Henriquez. It is also noted that two of the starting hurlers on the list had relief appearances during their KIP streaks — Pedro Martinez and Johan Santana. Inspection of Tables 2a-2f shows that over the years relievers also emerged as league leaders in the longest KIP streaks — including Syl Johnson (1928), Joe Heving (1930), Joe Page (1947), Ewell Blackwell (1948), Roy Face (1959), Hank Aguirre (1960), Dick Radatz (1964), John Hiller (1975), Mark Littell (1978), Aurelio Lopez (1979), Ron Davis (1981), Calvin Schiraldi (1987), Norm Charlton (1989), Mariano Rivera (1996), and more than twenty other full-time relievers during the first twenty-five years of the 21st century.

To wrap up the Results section, we thought it would be of interest to present the current longest KIP streak for each team. Tables 4a and 4b provide the pertinent information.

Table 4a. Pitchers with Longest KIP Streak for Each American League Team.

Team	Pitcher	Year	KIP Streak
Angels	Francisco Rodriguez	2004	23
Astros	Garrit Cole	2019	63
Athletics	Mason Miller	2024	19
Blue Jays	Robbie Ray	2021	24
Guardians	Corey Kluber	2018	27
Mariners	Randy Johnson	1994	22
Orioles	Felix Bautista Corbin Burnes	2023 2024	17
Rangers	Kirby Yates	2024	20
Rays	Edwin Uceta	2025	31
Red Sox	Pedro Martinez	1999	40
Royals	Wade Davis	2014	25
Tigers	Tarik Skubal	2025	25
Twins	Johan Santana	2002	39
White Sox	Chris Sale	2015	38
Yankees	Gerrit Cole	2021	33

Table 4a. Pitchers with Longest KIP Streak for Each National League Team.

Team	Pitcher	Year	KIP Streak
Braves	Spencer Strider	2023	25
Brewers	Josh Hader Corbin Burnes	2018 2022	24
Cardinals	Mark Littell	1978	23
Cubs	Kerry Wood	2001	28
Diamondbacks	Zac Gallen	2024	33
Dodgers	Clayton Kershaw	2023	35
Giants	Kevin Gausman	2021	26
Marlins	Chris Hammond Chuck Smith Andrew Miller	1993 2000 2009	16
Mets	Edwin Diaz	2022	36
Nationals	Max Scherzer	2019	23
Padres	Blake Snell	2023	35
Phillies	Cole Hamels Zack Wheeler	2015 2021	22
Pirates	Charlie Morton Paul Skenes	2014 2025	20
Reds	Aroldis Chapman	2014	28
Rockies	Pedro Astacio	2000	21

Inspection of Table 4a reveals a few interesting items. Gerrit Cole is currently the team leader for two teams — the Houston Astros [his 63 KIP streak in 2019] and the Yankees [a 33 KIP streak in 2021]. Only two pitchers achieved their team leading KIP streak before the 2000 season — Randy Johnson [Mariners (1994)] and Pedro Martinez [Red Sox (1999)].

Examination of Table 4b also results in a couple interesting take-aways. Corbin Burnes is the team leader for the Brewers (24 KIP streak in 2022); Burnes is also the team leader for the Orioles (17 KIP in 2023). The only pitchers who accomplished his team-leading KIP streak prior to the 2000 campaign were Chris Hammond (Marlins, 1993) and Mark Littell (Cardinals, 1978).

DISCUSSION

Of the three True Outcomes in baseball — Strikeout, Home Run, Base on Balls — only the strikeout is beneficial for a pitcher.[17] Garrett Cole achieved an amazing strikeout feat when he struck out at least one batter in each of 63 consecutive innings, establishing the current threshold for the ML record. Over the course of nearly 120 years (i.e., since 1908), only a

handful of hurlers had held the record before Cole claimed it — Ed Walsh, Rube Waddell, Earl Moore, Dazzy Vance, Sam McDowell, and Pedro Martinez. Each of them (except for Moore and McDowell) was enshrined in the Baseball Hall of Fame. As described in the accompanying sidebar (“Gerrit Cole’s Other Strikeout Achievements”), Cole has also accomplished other significant diamond successes which could make him a worthy candidate for consideration to be elected to the pantheon in Cooperstown.

Perhaps the most interesting — even shocking — take-away from our research is the extraordinary difference in the lengths of the KIP streaks between the first-place and second-place holders — Gerrit Cole’s 63 KIP streak is 23 innings longer than Pedro Martinez’s 40 KIP streak. This difference is akin to — and exceeds — the double-digit difference between the first-place and second-place holders of the longest consecutive games hitting streaks in the majors, arguably the most famous individual player performance streak in the history of major league baseball — Joe DiMaggio’s 56-gamer is a dozen games longer than Pete Rose’s 44-gamer. Likewise for the ten-game difference between first and second for the longest consecutive games on base safely streaks — Ted Williams’s 84-gamer and DiMaggio’s 74-gamer — which pales in comparison to the 23-innings delta between Cole’s 63 KIP and Martinez’s 40 KIP.

Another perhaps surprising finding from our research is that relief pitchers — particularly during the past 25 years or so — have frequently emerged as annual leaders in longest KIP streaks — even though many more game appearances are needed compared to starting pitchers. While striking out at least one batter in any given inning does not seem like an unreasonable achievement for a relief hurler, accomplishing that objective game after game after game is truly amazing. Aroldis Chapman is the “standard bearer” for this special feat: besides the three times he’s surpassed the 27 KIP threshold [39 (2023), 29 (2021), 28 (2014) per Table 1), he’s also put together KIP streaks of 24 (2012), 22 (2019), and 18 (in 2015) as shown in the Appendix.

The only pitcher with more KIP streaks (of at least 18 innings) than Chapman is Randy Johnson, who amassed seven — 22 (1994 and 1998), 21 (2004), 19 (1999 and 2001), 18 (2001, 2002). Two other starting pitchers accumulated five KIP streaks of at least 18 innings — Chris Sale and Clayton Kershaw. Gerrit Cole is among seven hurlers with a quartet of KIP streaks of at least 18 innings, the others being Pedro Martinez, Corey Kluber, Robbie Ray, Corbin Burnes, Max Scherzer, and Nolan Ryan.

CONCLUDING REMARKS

Gerrit Cole achieved an astounding feat by striking out at least one batter in 63 consecutive innings. While it seems safe to predict that Cole’s 63 KIP streak can be permanently etched in stone as the all-time record, it will be interesting to see if any pitchers can reach the 50 KIP streak bar.

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Gerrit Cole's Other Strikeout Achievements

In addition to Gerrit Cole's astonishing streak of 63 consecutive innings of striking out at least one batter in each inning, he has also accomplished a few other very noteworthy strikeout feats, which are summarized here.

Most strikeouts between walks — During the 2021 diamond season Gerrit Cole achieved the curious, but significant, feat of striking out a total of 61 opposing batters between walking batters. In the game on April 12 against the Blue Jays in Toronto, the Yankees hurler emerged with the victory as New York defeated their host, 3-1. Cole pitched six innings, being touched for three hits and one run; he struck out eight and issued just one base on balls — a leadoff walk to Lourdes Guirriel in the second inning. Following that solitary free pass — on a 3-2 pitch, Cole struck out seven more batters (having previously whiffed one batter in the first).

Over the course of his next five games Cole proceeded to strike out a total of 49 batters — without issuing any walks. Thus, going into the game on May 17 against the Rangers in Arlington, Cole had amassed a total of 56 strikeouts since he had walked Gurriel. As it had developed, the record for the most strikeouts between walks was 58, held by Corbin Burnes of the Milwaukee Brewers. Burnes had established the mark just four days earlier in the game on May 13 against the Cardinals. The two previous holders of this record were: Curt Schilling (56 Ks in 2002) and Fred Maddux (51 Ks in 2001).[18]

Cole proceeded to surpass Corbin's 58 Ks when he fanned the first three Texas batters of the game. Cole then picked up two more Ks before he failed to locate the strike zone against Joey Gallo in the third inning. Cole's 61 strikeouts between walks still stands as the ML record. However, there's an intriguing "what if" for Cole's "most strikeouts between walks" record — "What if Gurriel had been struck out on *that* 3-2 pitch?" Then the last batter that Cole walked would have been Vladimir Guerrero Jr. of the Blue Jays in the sixth inning of the Opening Day game on April 1; Guerrero was the last batter Cole faced that day. In his next game, five days later, Cole struck out 13 without walking anyone. So, if the "what if" had transpired, Cole would have assembled an incredible 75 strikeouts between walks feat.

Most consecutive games with 10 or more strikeouts — Reaching double digits in strikeouts in a game is a noteworthy achievement. According to the Elias Book of Baseball Records, the high-water mark for "Most Games, 10 or more Strikeouts, Lifetime" is 215 by Nolan Ryan. The corresponding records for the American and National Leagues are, respectively, 148 by Nolan Ryan and 114 by Randy Johnson. Having amassed a career total of "only" 62 double-digit strikeout games (all AL, through the 2025 season), the 36-year old Gerrit Cole will likely not challenge for these exceptional marks. However, he does distinguish himself as the holder of a related record — "Most Games, Consecutive, 10 or more strikeouts." During the generation of his record 63 consecutive innings with at least one strikeout streak Cole produced nine consecutive games of at least 10 strikeouts:

[1] AUG 07 vs Rockies — 6.0 IP; 10 K

[2] AUG 22 vs Tigers — 7.0 IP; 12 K

[3] AUG 28 vs Rays — 6.2 IP; 14 K
 [4] SEP 02 at Brewers — 6.0 IP; 14 K
 [5] SEP 08 vs Mariners — 8.0 IP; 15 K
 [6] SEP 13 at Royals — 8.0 IP; 11 K
 [7] SEP 18 vs Rangers — 8.0 IP; 10 K
 [8] SEP 24 at Mariners — 7.0 IP; 14 K
 [9] SEP 29 vs Angels — 5.0 IP; 10 K

Cole's streak of nine straight games with double-digit strikeouts surpassed the record of eight established by Pedro Martinez in 1999 and equaled by Chris Sale in 2015. It is also worthwhile to add that Cole extended his string of double-digit strikeout games to eleven in the American League Division Series:

[10] OCT 05 vs Rays — 7.2 IP; 15 K
 [11] OCT 10 vs Rays — 8.0 IP; 10 K

During his 2019 regular season Cole had 22 games with double-digit strikeouts — a total just one fewer than the ML record for “Most Games, 10 or more strikeouts, Season” — 23, shared by Nolan Ryan (AL, 1973) and Randy Johnson (NL, 1999, 2000, 2001). Including post-season play, Cole accumulated 24 games with 10 or more strikeouts. Similarly, Johnson increased his 1999 double-digit strikeout total to 24 with an 11-strikeouts performance in the NLDS. Thus, Cole and Johnson share the ML record for “Most Games, 10 or more strikeouts, Regular Season plus Post-Season” with 24.

Pitcher's Cycles — Gerrit Cole has managed to pick up four Pitcher's Cycles thus far in his ML career. The Pitcher's Cycle, formulated according to the classic cycle (i.e., the feat whereby a player collects a single, double, tripled and homer in the same game and which has become a de facto Batter's Cycle), is defined as follows: “The series of at least one player from each of the nine repeating batting slots (not necessarily in order) struck out by one pitcher in the same game.”[19] During his phenomenally successful 2019 season with the Astros, Cole produced three Pitcher's Cycles:

[1] JUL 12 at Rangers — 6.0 IP; 13 K
 [2] SEP 24 at Mariners — 7.0 IP; 14 K
 [3] SEP 29 vs Angels — 5.0 IP; 10 K

After joining the Yankees for the 2020 season, Cole has added a fourth Pitcher's Cycle to his resume in the 2022 campaign:

[4] SEP 07 vs Twins — 6.2 IP; 14K

It is noted that Cole's Pitcher's Cycle on September 24 was a Flawless Pitcher's Cycle — “A Pitcher's Cycle in which the hurler (a) did *not* allow a home run; (b) did *not* issue a base on balls; and (c) did *not* hit an opposing batter with a pitched ball.”[20]

APPENDIX

- **Appendix 1. Complete Strikeout-by-Strikeout Details for Gerrit Cole’s 63 KIP Streak.**
- **Appendix 2. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 26 and 18 (1908-2025).**
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Table A-1a. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (AUG 1-SEP 13, 2019) — Regular Season.

Table A-1b. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (SEP 18-29, 2019) — Regular Season.

Table A-1c. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (OCT 05-10, 2019) — Post-Season (ALDS).

Table A-1d. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (JUL 23, 2020) — Regular Season).

- **Appendix 2. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 26 and 18 (1908-2025).**

Table A-2a. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 26 and 23 (1908-2025).

Table A-2b. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 23 and 22 (1908-2025).

Table A-2c. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 22 and 21 (1908-2025).

Table A-2d. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 21 and 20 (1908-2025).

Table A-2e. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 19 (1908-2025).

Table A-2f. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 19 and 18 (1908-2025).

Table A-2c. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 18 (1908-2025).

Table A-2d. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 18 (1908-2025).

Table A-1a. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (AUG 1-SEP 13, 2019) — Regular Season.

Game [OPP]	IP	K	Inn	K'd Batter(s) S or L Out Number	Σ KIP
AUG 01 [CLE*]	7.0	4	6 7	Francisco Lindor G-1; Oscar Mercado G-2; Carlos Santana G-3 Jose Ramirez S-1	X 1
AUG 07 [COL]	6.0	10	1 2 3 4 5 6	Daniel Murphy S-2 Ryan McMahon S-1; Reiner Tapia S-2; Yonder Alonso S-3 Chris Iannetta L-1; Garrett Hampson L-2 Trevor Story L-1 Garrett Hampson L-3 Trevor Story S-2; Daniel Murphy S-3	2 3 4 5 6 7
AUG 22 [DET]	7.0	12	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Victor Reyes S-1; Harold Castro S-2 Niko Goodrum S-1; Dael Lugo L-3 Jake Rogers S-1; Victor Reyes S-2; Harold Castro S-3 Niko Goodrum S-2 Dael Lugo S-3 Jake Rogers S-1; Harold Castro L-2 Brandon Dixon S-2	8 9 10 11 12 13 14
AUG 28 [TBR]	6.2	14	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	Eric Sogard S-1; Austin Meadow S-2; Tommy Pham L-3 Avisail Garcia L-1; Willy Adames S-3 Eric Sogard S-3 Austin Meadows S-1 Willy Adames S-1; Eric Sogard S-3 Austin Meadows S-1; Tommy Pham S-2 Willy Adames S-1; Mike Zunino S-2	15 16 17 18 19 20 21
SEP 02 [MIL*]	6.0	14	1 2 3 4 5 6	Trent Grisham S-1; Mike Moustakis S-3 Ryan Braun L-1; Eric Thames S-2; Corey Spanenberg S-3 Adrian Houser S-2; Trent Grisham L-3 Christian Yelich S-1; Mike Moustakis L-2 Eric Thames S-1; Ben Gamel S-2; Yasmani Grandal S-3 Christian Yelich L-1; Ryan Braun S-3	22 23 24 25 26 27
SEP 08 [SEA]	8.0	13	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Dee Strange-Gordon S-1; Austin Nola S-3 Omar Narvaez S-2 Tim Lopes L-1; Braden Bishop S-2; Keon Braxton L-3 Kyle Seager S-3 Omar Narvaez S-1; Daniel Vogelbach L-2 Braden Bishop L-1; Keon Braxton S-2 Austin Nola S-2; Ryan Court L-3 Daniel Vogelbach S-2; Tim Lopes L-3	28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35
SEP 13 [KCR*]	8.0	11	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	Jorge Soler L-2 Alex Gordon L-1; Ryan O'Hearn S-3 Whit Merrifield S-2; Adalberto Mondesi S-3 Jorge Soler S-1 Meibrys Viloria L-3 Adalberto Mondesi S-2 Hunter Dozier S-1; Alex Gordon L-2 Adalberto Mondesi S-3	36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43

Table A-1b. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (SEP 18-29, 2019) — Regular Season.

Game [OPP]	IP	K	Inn	K'd Batter(s) S or L Out Number	Σ KIP
SEP 18 [TEX]	8.0	10	1	Danny Santana S-3	44
			2	Roughned Odor S-2; Ronald Guzman S-3	45
			3	Shin-Soo Choo S-3	46
			4	Elvis Andrus S-1	47
			5	Ronald Guzman S-3	48
			6	Scott Heineman S-1; Shin-Soo Choo S-3	49
			7	Elvis Andrus S-1	50
			8	Elvis Andrus S-2	51
SEP 24 [SEA*]	7.0	14	1	J.P. Crawford S-2	52
			2	Kyle Seager S-1; Austin Nola L-3	53
			3	Daniel Vogelbach L-1; Mallex Smith S-2; Shed Long Jr S-3	54
			4	Kyle Lewis S-1; Omar Narvaez S-3	55
			5	Dee Strange-Gordon S-3	56
			6	Shed Long Jr L-2; J.P. Crawford L-3	57
			7	Kyle Lewis L-1; Kyle Seager S-2; Omar Narvaez L-3	58
SEP 29 [LAA*]	5.0	10	1	David Fletcher S-2; Brian Goodwin L-3	59
			2	Andrelton Simmons S-2; Taylor Ward L-3	60
			3	Brian Goodwin S-3	61
			4	Kole Calhoun S-1; Matt Thais S-2; Anthony Bemboom S-3	62
			5	Tommy La Stella S-1; Kaleb Cowart S-3	63

Table A-1c. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (OCT 05-10, 2019) — Post-Season (ALDS).

Game [OPP]	IP	K	Inn	K'd Batter(s) S or L Out Number	Σ KIP
OCT 05 [TBR]	7.2	15	1	Austin Meadows S-2; Jiman Choi S-3	64
			2	Avisail Garcia S-1; Brandon Lowe S-2; Travis d'Arnaud S-3	65
			3	Willy Adames S-2	66
			4	Jiman Choi S-3	67
			5	Avisail Garcia S-1; Brandon Lowe S-2; Kevin Kiermaier S-3	68
			6	Yandy Diaz S-2	69
			7	Tommy Pham L-1; Jiman Choi S-2	70
			8	Brandon Lowe S-1; Travis d'Arnaud S-2	71
OCT 10 (TBR)	8.0	10	1	Austin Meadows L-1; Tommy Pham S-2	72
			2	Joey Wendell S-2; Kevin Kiermaier S-2	73
			3	Willy Adames G-1; Austin Meadows F-1; Tommy Pham F-1	XX

Table A-1d. Batters Struck Out by Gerrit Cole (JUL 23, 2020) — Regular Season).

Game [OPP]	IP	K	Inn	K'd Batter(s) S or L Out Number	Σ KIP
JUL 23 [WAS*}	5.0	5	1	Howie Kendrick L-3	64
			2	Andrew Stevenson S-3	65
			3	Victor Robles S-1	66
			4	Starlin Castro F-1; Howie Kendrick L-2; Eric Thames L-3	XX

Table A-2a. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 26 and 23 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Jon Lester (BOS) [2010]	4-0	26	8-27 (2)	9-13 (8)
Andrew Miller (NYY) [2016]	0-24	26	5-06 (8)	7-02 (8)
Kevin Gausman (SFG) [2021]	5-0	26	5-19 (1)	6-12(1) (2)
Sam McDowell (CLE) [1965]	4-1	25	6-20(1) (8)	7-05 (5)
Kevin Gross (LAD) [1992]	4-0	25	5-12 (3)	5-31 (4)
Hideo Nomo (LAD) [1995]	5-0	25	5-02 (1)	5-23 (4)
Wade Davis (KCR) [2014]	0-22	25	4-02 (9)	6-03 (8)
Eduardo Rodriguez (BOS) [2019]	5-0	25	9-04 (6)	9-24 (4)
Jacob deGrom (NYM) [2020]	4-0	25	8-26 (1)	9-11(5)
Spencer Strider (ATL) [2023]	4-0	25	4-24 (1)	5-12 (7)
Tarik Skubal (DET) [2025]	4-0	25	4-27 (1)	5-14 (6)
Pedro Martinez (BOS) [2001]	4-0	24	5-24 (4)	6-09 (5)
Byung-Hyun Kim (ARZ) [2002]	0-17	24	4-02 (9)	5-11 (9)
Aroldis Chapman (CIN) [2012]	0-23	24	6-24 (9)	8-12 (9)
Corey Kluber (CLE) [2017]	4-0	24	6-29 (5)	7-15 (7)
Josh Hader (MIL) [2018]	0-13	24	4-06 (5)	5-14 (8)
Robbie Ray (TOR) [2021]	5-0	24	5-27(2) (3)	6-18 (2)
Trevor Bauer (LAD) [2021]	4-0	24	4-07 (7)	4-29 (4)
Gerrit Cole (NYY) [2022]	5-0	24	8-31 (6)	9-23 (4)
Corbin Burnes (MIL) [2022]	5-0	24	5-29 (1)	6-20 (2)
Michael King (NYY) [2023]	5-0	24	9-03 (3)	9-26 (4)
Fergie Jenkins (CHC) [1970]	4-0	23	7-30 (7)	8-11 (3)
Mark Littell (SLC) [1978]	0-14	23	5-25 (5)	6-24 (9)
Kerry Wood (CHC) [1998]	4-0	23	4-30 (7)	5-17 (6)
Francisco Rodriguez (ANA) [2004]	0-17	23	5-24 (8)	7-06 (8)

NOTES: (1) The “S-R” column gives the number of games the pitcher started (S) and relieved (R) during the KIP streak. (2) The “First” column gives the date of the game the pitcher began his KIP streak; the entry in parentheses gives the inning the pitcher began his KIP streak. (3) The “Last” column gives the date of the game the pitcher had ended his KIP streak; the entry in parentheses gives the pitcher had his last strikeout. An asterisk indicates that the game was the last game of the season for the pitcher. (4) The “SO” column gives the number of batters struck out during the KIP streak. (5) The “SO/IP” column gives the SO/IP ratio during the KIP streak.

Table A-2b. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 23 and 22 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Jonathan Sanchez (SFG) [2010]	4-0	23	4-14 (1)	5-02 (3)
Anibal Sanchez (DET) [2013]	4-0	23	9-11 (1)	9-28 (3)
David Price (TBR) [2014]	4-0	23	6-09 (5)	6-25 (3)
Steve Cishek (MIA) [2014]	0-22	23	7-25 (9)	9-25 (9)
Chris Archer (TBR) [2015]	3-0	23	5-27 (1)	6-07 (7)
Matt Barnes (BOS) [2018]	0-20	23	6-27 (7)	8-19 (9)
Chris Sale (BOS) [2019]	5-0	23	6-10 (3)	7-03 (1)
Max Scherzer (WAS) [2019]	4-0	23	5-01 (3)	5-17 (5)
Corbin Burnes (MIL) [2021]	4-0	23	4-08 (1)	4-26 (5)
Jacob deGrom (NYM) [2021]	4-0	23	4-05 (5)	4-23 (7)
Dylan Cease (CWS) [2022]	5-0	23	6-04 (5)	6-26 (6)
Josh Hader (SDP) [2023]	0-23	23	6-10 (9)	8-28 (9)
Edwin Diaz (NYM) [2024]	0-23	23	6-10 (9)	8-28 (9)
Tom Seaver (NYM) [1970]	3-0	22	5-11 (2)	5-20 (5)
Floyd Bannister (CWS) [1985]	4-0	22	9-09 (2)	9-26 (5)
David Cone (NYM) [1992]	4-0	22	6-21 (7)	7-06 (6)
Randy Johnson (SEA) [1994]	4-0	22	7-07 (8)	7-27 (6)
John Smoltz (ATL) [1997]	4-0	22	8-13 (7)	8-29 (3)
Randy Johnson (SEA) [1998]	3-0	22	6-13 (1)	6-24 (7)
Brad Lidge (HOU) [2004]	0-17	22	8-21 (8)	9-26 (9)
Johan Santana (MIN) [2006]	3-0	22	5-07 (1)	5-17 (8)
Zack Greinke (MIL) [2011]	4-0	22	6-06 (6)	6-21 (7)
Stephen Strasburg (WAS) [2012]	5-0	22	6-02 (7)	6-25 (2)
Cole Hamels (PHP) [2015]	4-0	22	6-03 (2)	6-24 (3)
Max Scherzer (WAS) [2016]	4-0	22	5-01 (2)	5-17 (2)
Aroldis Chapman (NYY) [2019]	0-22	22	3-28 (9)	5-25(2) (9)
Jack Flaherty (SLC) [2019]	5-0	22	4-05 (1)	4-28 (2)
Lucas Giolito (CWS) [2020]	4-0	22	8-20 (6)	9-05 (6)

Table A-2c. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 22 and 21 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Tyler Glasnow (TBR) [2020]	4-0	22	8-19 (2)	9-06 (4)
Freddy Peralta (MIL) [2021]	4-1	22	4-01 (5)	4-24 (4)
Zack Wheeler (PHP) [2021]	3-0	22	5-23 (1)	6-04 (7)
Andrew Heaney (LAD) [2022]	5-1	22	8-30 (5)	9-29 (3)
A.J. Minter (ATL) [2022]	0-21	22	4-09 (7)	5-29 (9)
Rafael Montero (HOU) [2023]	0-21	22	7-29 (9)	9-15 (7)
Tyler Glasnow (TBR) [2023]	5-0	22	6-14 (3)	7-07 (2)
Yusei Kikuchi (TOR) [2023]	5-0	22	8-15 (6)	9-08 (5)
Nolan Ryan (HOU) [1987]	4-0	21	9-04 (4)	9-19 (2)
Pedro Astacio (COL) [2000]	4-0	21	5-08 (6)	5-24 (3)
Randy Johnson (ARZ) [2004]	4-0	21	8-20 (6)	9-05 (2)
Johan Santana (MIN) [2007]	4-0	21	5-11 (4)	5-28 (4)
Javier Vazquez (CWS) [2007]	4-0	21	6-11 (3)	6-28 (4)
Vinnie Pestano (CLE) [2012]	0-21	21	4-05 (10)	5-23 (8)
Craig Kimbrel (ATL) [2012]	0-20	21	7-19 (9)	9-17 (9)
Chris Sale (CWS) [2015]	4-0	21	8-10 (7)	8-26 (5)
Craig Kimbrel (SDP) [2015]	0-21	21	5-02 (9)	6-26 (9)
Dellin Betances (NYY) [2017]	0-20	21	7-01 (8)	8-15 98)
Caleb Smith (MIA) [2018]	4-0	21	4-22 (1)	5-10 (2)
Luke Jackson (ATL) [2019]	0-18	21	8-13 (7)	9-29 (7)
Corbin Burnes (MIL) [2020]	4-0	21	9-09 (1)	9-24 (3)
Carlos Rodon (CWS) [2021]	4-0	21	4-14 (4)	5-07 (4)
Tyler Glasnow (TBR) [2021]	5-0	21	4-01 (6)	4-23 (1)
Drew Rasmussen (2T) [2021]	1-14	21	4-16 (9)	6-30 (2)
Trevor Rogers (MIA) [2021]	4-0	21	4-05 (1)	4-21 (6)
Dylan Cease (CWS) [2022]	6-0	21	5-02 (7)	5-29 (2)
Spencer Strider (ATL) [2022]	4-0	21	6-04 (1)	6-26 (1)
Carlos Rodon (SFG) [2022]	4-0	21	9-04 (1)	9-23 (4)
Reid Detmers (ANA) [2023]	4-0	21	6-14 (2)	7-07 (2)

Table A-2d. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 21 and 20 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Garrett Crochet (CWS) [2024]	7-0	21	8-21 (2)	9-27 (4)
Gavin Williams (CLE) [2024]	5-0	21	7-20 (1)	8-10 (2)
Dave Boswell (MIN) [1966]	3-0	20	6-14 (4)	6-22 (6)
Sam McDowell (CLE) [1968]	3-0	20	7-01 (4)	7-12 (6)
Luis Tiant (CLE) [1968]	3-0	20	6-23(1) (9)	7-03 (10)
Nolan Ryan (HOU) [1987]	4-0	20	5-11 (5)	5-27 (4)
Kerry Wood (CHC) [1998]	3-0	20	6-20 (3)	7-01 (8)
Brad Lidge (HOU) [2005]	0-20	20	6-05 (9)	7-30 (9)
Francisco Liriano (MIN) [2006]	5-0	20	7-18 (9)	9-13 (2)
Jorge Julio (ARZ) 2006	0-18	20	7-25 (9)	9-28 (9)
Jake Peavy (SDP) [2007]	4-0	20	4-30 (5)	5-16 (3)
Brandon Morrow (TOR) [2010]	4-0	20	7-26 (4)	8-17 (2)
Cole Hamels (PHP) [2010]	4-0	20	7-22 (8)	8-07 (7)
Octavio Dotel (PIT) [2010]	0-19	20	4-16 (9)	6-06 (10)
Craig Kimbrel (ATL) [2012]	0-20	20	5-20 (9)	7-14 (9)
Charlie Morton (PIT) [2014]	4-0	20	6-14 (3)	7-02 (2)
Jeff Semardzija (OAK) [2014]	4-0	20	8-25 (7)	9-10 (3)
Corey Kluber (CLE) [2015]	3-0	20	5-07 (1)	5-18 (6)
Tyler Thornburg (MIL) [2016]	0-19	20	4-06 (7)	5-21 (8)
Carl Edwards (CHC) [2017]	0-19	20	8-13 (7)	9-22 99)
Jose Quintana CWS [2017]	5-0	20	5-19 (4)	6-11 (1)
Nick Pivetta (BOS) [2021]	4-0	20	5-20 (1)	6-07 (3)
Tanner Houck (BOS) [2021]	4-1	20	7-16 (8)	8-12 (5)
Liam Hendriks (CWS) [2021]	0-17	20	6-10 (9)	7-27 (9)
Reese Olson (DET) [2023]	5-0	20	8-04 (4)	8-28 (4)
Kirby Yates (TEX) [2024]	0-17	20	7-21 (9)	8-31 (9)
Emmet Sheehan (LAD) [2025]	4-0	20	8-12 (3)	9-03 (4)
Paul Skenes (PIT) [2025]	5-0	20	8-29 (5)	9-24 (3)

Table A-2e. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 19 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Dazzy Vance (BRK) [1926]	3-0	19	6-04 (5)	6-15 (5)
Don Wilson (HOU) [1967]	3-0	19	6-14 (1)	6-25(1) (1)
Steve Carlton (SLC) [1970]	3-0	19	5-21 (1)	6-02 (4)
Nolan Ryan (CAL) [1973]	2-1	19	5-12 (8)	5-19 (8)
Roger Clemens (BOS) [1991]	3-0	19	4-13 (2)	4-23 (3)
Rob Dibble (CIN) [1992]	0-15	19	7-16 (9)	8-23 (9)
Randy Johnson (ARZ) [1999]	3-0	19	8-06 (6)	8-16 (8)
Rob Nen (SFG) [2000]	0-19	19	7-07 (9)	8-28 (9)
Randy Johnson (ARZ) [2001]	3-0	19	5-28 (1)	6-08 (6)
Pedro Martinez (NYM) [2006]	3-0	19	5-09 (1)	5-20 (5)
Javier Vazquez (CWS) [2007]	3-0	19	9-17 (1)	9-28 (4)
Frank Francisco (TEX) [2008]	0-16	19	8-01 (7)	9-15 (9)
Chad Billingsly (LAD) [2008]	4-0	19	4-13 (1)	4-30 (3)
Jason Grilli (PIT) [2012]	0-19	19	4-07 (8)	5-25 (7)
Mario Estrada (MIL) [2012]	4-1	19	5-18 (2)	7-08 (5)
David Hernandez (ARZ) [2012]	0-19	19	7-19 (8)	8-31 (8)
Ernesto Frieri (ANA) [22012]	0-16	19	5-05 (9)	6-10 (8)
Chris Archer (TBR) [2013]	4-0	19	9-13 (2)	9-28 (3)
Greg Holland (KCR) [2013]	0-19	19	6-01 (10)	7-19 (9)
Greg Holland (KCR) [2014]	0-19	19	5-24 (13)	7-23 (9)
Stephen Strasburg (WAS) [2014]	4-0	19	4-05 (3)	4-20 (5)
Jason Hammel (CHC) [2015]	3-0	19	5-19 (2)	6-01 (8)
Clayton Kershaw (LAD) [2015]	4-0	19	6-06 (6)	6-22 (3)
Michael Wacha (SLC) [2015]	4-0	19	7-03 (5)	7-26 (5)
Robbie Ray (ARZ) [2017]	3-0	19	8-24 (1)	9-04 (7)
Kenta Maeda (LAD) [2018]	4-0	19	6-25 (6)	7-11 (4)
Dinelso Lamet (SDP) [2020]	4-0	19	8-04 (6)	8-20 (5)
Robbie Ray (TOR) [2021]	3-0	19	8-25 (1)	9-05 (5)

Table A-2f. Pitchers with KIP Streaks Between 19 and 18 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Shohei Ohtani (LAA) [2022]	4-0	19	4-07 (1)	4-27 (4)
Gerrit Cole (NYY) [2022]	4-0	19	7-07 (3)	7-23 (1)
Robbie Ray (SEA) [2022]	4-0	19	5-05 (7)	5-20 (6)
Devin Williams (MIL) [2022]	0-19	19	4-10 (8)	5-24 (9)
Blake Snell (SDP) [2022]	4-0	19	8-08 (3)	8-24 (4)
Tag Bradley (TBR) [2023]	4-0	19	4-12 (1)	5-18 (3)
Max Scherzer (NYM) [2023]	4-0	19	6-29 (3)	7-18 (4)
Mason Miller (OAK) [2024]	0-14	19	3-30 (9)	5-14 (9)
Ryan Pepiot (TBR) [2024]	4-0	19	4-01 (5)	4-18 (6)
Gavin Williams (CLE) [2025]	5-0	19	4-21 (5)	5-14 (5)
Cam Schlittler (NYY) [2025]	4-0	19	8-13 (2)	8-30 (2)
Ryan Pepiot (TBR) [2025]	4-0	19	5-30 (7)	6-16 (6)
Nick Pivetta (SDP) [2025]	4-0	19	5-11 (1)	5-30 (3)
Bob Veale (PIT) [1965]	3-0	18	9-15 (1)	9-25 (4)
Bill Landis (BOS) [1968]	0-8	18	8-17 (6)	9-24 (6)
Sam McDowell (CLE) [1968]	3-0	18	4-27 (6)	5-06 (8)
Bart Johnson (CWS) [1971]	3-0	18	9-13 (7)	9-21(1) (8)
Nolan Ryan (CAL) [1974]	3-0	18	8-07 (4)	8-16 (3)
Ron Guidry (NYY) [1979]	4-0	18	5-02 (5)	5-16 (8)
Aurelio Lopez (DET) 1979	0-8	18	8-24 (9)	9-09 (9)
Mark Langston (SEA) [1986]	3-0	18	6-20 (5)	6-30 (6)
Stan Belinda (CIN) [1997]	0-14	18	5-04 (8)	5-27 (8)
Curt Schilling (PHP) [1997]	3-0	18	7-31 (2)	8-10 (4)
Billy Wagner (HOU) [1999]	0-16	18	7-27 (9)	9-06 (9)
Matt Mantei (ARZ) [1999]	0-18	18	8-08 (9)	9-28 (9)
Randy Johnson (ARZ) [2001]	3-0	18	5-03 (1)	5-13 (2)
Randy Johnson (ARZ) [2002]	3-0	18	8-20 (1)	8-30 (2)

Table A-2g. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 18 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Francisco Rodriguez (ANA) [2004]	0-14	18	7-09 (8)	8-14 (9)
Brad Lidge (HOU) [2004]	0-13	18	7-21 (9)	8-18 (9)
Takashi Saito (LAD) [2006]	0-15	18	5-15 (9)	7-02 (8)
Brian Fuentes (COL) [2008]	0-18	18	8-10 (9)	9-25 (9)
Ryan Madson (PHP) [2010]	0-17	18	8-01 (9)	8-31 (8)
Carlos Marmol (CHC) [2010]	0-15	18	7-03 (9)	8-14 (9)
Yovani Gallardo (MIL) [2011]	3-0	18	9-11 (4)	9-23 (8)
Felix Hernandez (SEA) [2103]	4-0	18	7-13 (8)	8-01 (2)
Glen Perkins (MIN) [2013]	0-18	18	4-16 (9)	6-04 (9)
Cole Hamels (PHP) [2014]	3-0	18	7-19 (1)	7-29 (3)
Ian Kennedy (SDP) [2014]	3-0	18	5-25 (1)	6-04 (6)
Francisco Liriano (PIT) [2014]	5-0	18	5-25 (3)	7-13 (1)
Aroldis Chapman (CIN) [2015]	0-16	18	7-28 (9)	9-15 (8)
Raisel Iglesias (CIN) [2015]	3-0	18	8-23 (1)	9-02 (4)
Clayton Kershaw (LAD) [2015]	3-0	18	7-03 (6)	7-18 (7)
Lance Lynn (SLC) [2015]	4-0	18	6-25 (4)	7-10 (2)
Tyson Ross (SDP) [2015]	3-0	18	9-15 (1)	9-29 (6)
James Shields (SDP) [2015]	5-0	18	5-08 (5)	5-24 (3)
Danny Salazar (CLE) [2016]	3-0	18	4-08 (1)	4-20 (6)
Corey Kluber CLE) [2017]	4-0	18	4-27 (3)	6-09 (4)
Clayton Kershaw (LAD) 2017	3-0	18	6-29 (3)	7-09 (6)
Charlie Morton (HOU) 2018	4-0	18	5-05 (4)	5-24 (2)
James Paxton (SEA) [2018]	4-0	18	6-15 (3)	7-01 (5)
Justin Verlander (HOU) [2018]	4-0	18	4-25 (5)	5-11 (1)
Stephen Strasburg (WAS) [2018]	4-0	18	5-20 (4)	6-08 (2)
Felipe Vazquez (PIT) [2018]	0-16	18	6-05 (9)	7-11 (9)
Mike Clevenger (CLE) [2019]	4-0	18	4-01 (1)	6-28 (1)
Andrew Heaney (ANA) [2019]	4-0	18	5-26 (1)	6-14 (1)
Liam Hendriks (OAK) [2019]	0-15	18	7-05 (9)	8-14 (9)

Table A-2h. Pitchers with KIP Streaks of 18 (1908-2025).

Pitcher (Team) [Year]	S—R	KIP Steak	First	Last
Jose Leclerc (TEX) [2019]	0-15	18	5-12 (7)	6-17 (8)
Blake Snell (TBR) [2019]	3-0	18	5-06 (1)	5-18 (6)
Walter Buehler (LAD) [2019]	3-0	18	7-03 (1)	7-21 (5)
Walter Buehler (LAD) [2019]	3-0	18	8-03 (1)	8-15 (3)
Robert Stephenson (CIN) [2019]	0-13	18	5-15 (6)	7-14 (7)
Alex Young (ARZ) [2019]	4-0	18	9-01 (2)	9-17 (3)
Shane Bieber (CLE) [2020]	4-0	18	8-15 (7)	8-31 (5)
Dinelson Lamet (SDP) [2020]	4-0	18	9-07 (8)	9-25 (4)
Corbin Burnes (MIL) [2021]	4-0	18	5-25 (6)	6-12 (4)
Daniel Hudson (WAS) [2021]	0-13	18	5-29(2) (6)	7-26 (8)
Max Scherzer (LAD) [2021]	4-0	18	8-26 (8)	9-12 (3)
Cristian Javier (HOU) [2022]	4-0	18	6-19 (4)	7-06 (2)
Frankie Montas (OAK) [2022]	5-0	18	5-10(1) (7)	5-31 (2)
Jacob deGrom (NYM) [2022]	3-0	18	8-07 (1)	8-18 (6)
Tarik Skubal (DET) [2023]	4-0	18	8-18(1) (3)	9-03 (2)
Kirby Yates (ATL) [2023]	0-18	18	8-08 (8)	9-27 (9)
Eury Perez (MIA) [2023]	4-0	18	8-13 (1)	9-01 (2)
Freddy Peralta (MIL) [2023]	4-0	18	8-13 (5)	9-01 (4)
Seth Lugo (KCR) [2024]	4-0	18	6-20 (5)	7-06 (3)
Reid Detmers (LAA) [2024]	4-0	18	5-04 (1)	5-20 (2)
Chris Sale (ATL) [2024]	4-0	18	4-26 (7)	5-14 (6)
Sean Manaea (NYM) [2024]	4-0	18	7-24 (4)	8-10 (2)
Frankie Montas (MIL) [2024]	4-0	18	9-12 (2)	9-27 (4)
Jacob Lopez (ATH) [2025]	4-0	18	6-03 (2)	6-19 (3)
Jacob Lopez (ATH) [2025]	3-0	18	8-07 (2)	8-19 (4)
Jacob Misiowski (MIL) [2025]	6-0	18	7-22(4)	9-01 (2)
Zack Wheeler (PHP) [2025]	3-0	18	7-21 (1)	8-02 (6)