

1973 BALTIMORE ORIOLES

97-65 1st
MGR Earl Weaver (#4)

DP: 311 to 342

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	BA	SB	W/K	HR	T	D	L	R	RNG	Def.		
"Boog" Powell #26 <i>John</i>	.265	0	PW	116	121	133	236	244	AR		1B111	L R
Bobby Grich #3	.251	17	PW	114	121	136	241	236	AAR	SD	2B162	R R
Mark Belanger "The Blade" #7	.226	13		-	-	121	234	226	AAR	SD	SS154	R R
Brooks Robinson #5	.257	2		114	115	126	243	241	AR	SD	3B154	R R
Merv Rettenmund #14	.262	11		116	121	136	245	242	AAR		OF90(<i>RF</i> /LF/CF)	R R
Paul Blair "Motormouth" #6	.280	18		114	115	134	252	246	AAR	SD/T-1	OF144(CF)	R R
Don Baylor #25	.286	32		116	122	141	255	251	AAR	LD	OF110(LF), 1B6	R R
Earl Williams #32	.237	0	PK	124	-	136	234	233	SLO		C95, 1B42	R R
Tommy Davis #12	.306	11		113	114	126	256	256	AR		DH, 1B4	R R
Rich Coggins #2	.319	17	MK	114	123	142	263	263	AAR		OF101(<i>RF</i> /CF)	L L
Al Bumbry "The Bee" #1	.337	23		114	125	142	266	311	AAR		OF86(<i>LF</i> /RF)	L R
Andy Etchebarren #8	.257	1		113	114	135	243	241	AR		C51	R R
Terry Crowley #11	.206	0		115	-	126	221	223	AR		DH,	L L
											OF10(RF/LF), 1B7	
Elrod Hendricks #10	.178	0		116	122	141	166	213	SLO		C38	L R
Frank Baker #15	.190	0		113	124	131	215	215	AR		SS32, 2B7, 1B1,	L R
											3B1	
Enos Cabell "Big E" #24	.213	1		115	-	132	224	224	AAR		1B23, 3B1, OF1(LF)	R R
Larry Brown #21	.250	0		122	-	-	236	236	AR		3B15, 2B1	R R
Jim Fuller #18	.115	0	MW PK	135	-	-	154	146	AR		OF5(RF), 1B2	R R
Doug DeCinces #37	.111	0	PK	-	-	-	146	146	AR		3B8, 2B2, SS1	R R
Sergio Robles #30	.077	0		-	-	-	141	134	SLO		C8	R R
Pitcher R	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	153	145	SLO			
Pitcher L	.110	-	MW PK	111	-	113	145	146	SLO			
	ERA	IP	W	K	G	GS	SV					
Jim Palmer #22 <i>SD</i>	2.40	296	136	616	38	37	1	.000	R R	"Cakes"		
Mike Cuellar #35	3.27	267	132	623	38	38	0	.000	L L			
Dave McNally #19	3.21	266	132	641	38	38	0	.000	R L			
Doyle Alexander #13	3.86	175	132	635	29	26	0	.000	R R			
Jesse Jefferson #38	4.11	101	142	623	18	15	0	.000	R R			
Bob Reynolds #34	1.95	111	131	563	42	1	9	.000	R R			
Grant Jackson #23	1.90	80	133	612	45	0	9	.000	B L	"Buck"		
Eddie Watt #39	3.30	71	132	621	30	0	5	.000	R R			
Orlando Pena #27 +	4.03	45	123	622	11	2	1	.000	R R			
Don Hood #44	3.90	32	123	616	8	4	1	.000	L L			
Wayne Garland #17	3.94	16	142	612	4	1	0	.000	R R			

ANOTHER great Orioles ball club, but Earl Weaver's philosophy of outstanding pitching, solid defense, and the three-run homer couldn't subdue the budding dynasty of the Oakland A's. The Oakland ball club seemed to be the opposite of the fundamentally sound, professional Orioles. With their long hair, moustaches, pork-chop sideburns, and colorful uniform ensembles, the A's were tough to beat and a very formidable ball club. Sometimes they even fought with one another. Egos were an issue. The '73 ALCS was a three games to two series victory for Oakland with the decisive fifth game a 3-0 shutout by "Catfish" Hunter in the A's home ball park...

Catcher Earl Williams led the O's with 22 home runs while designated hitter Tommy Davis was tops with 89 runs batted in and 169 hits. Williams ended the year second to Davis after knocking in 83 runs. Rising star Bobby Grich smacked 12 dingers, drove in fifty, and led the team with 82 runs scored... Ace Jim Palmer led the pitching staff with 22 wins, 158 strikeouts, 19 complete games, and six shutouts. Other double digit winners were Mike Cuellar (18), Dave McNally (17), and Doyle Alexander (12)...

The Orioles out-distanced the Red Sox by eight games to win the AL East Division; however, the Boston's WON the season series, 11-7. The O's split with the Tigers and Yankees, 9-9...The Birds were tops in the league in several categories: Triples (48), stolen bases (146), lowest ERA (3.07), and the fewest hits and earned runs allowed. The team batting average was .266--third in the league. They were eighth with 119 home runs.