

2008 BOSTON RED SOX

95-67 2nd  
MGR Terry Francona (#47)  
"Tito"

DP: 311 to 333

Error: 351 to 353

|                            | BA   | SB | W/K   | HR  | T   | D   | L   | R   | RNG | Def.   |                          |     |
|----------------------------|------|----|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|--------|--------------------------|-----|
| Kevin Youkilis "Youk" #20  | .312 | 3  |       | 126 | 132 | 161 | 263 | 261 | AR  | SD(1B) | 1B125, 3B36, OF2(RF)     | R R |
| Dustin Pedroia "Petey" #15 | .326 | 20 |       | 116 | 121 | 151 | 266 | 264 | AAR | SD     | 2B157                    | R R |
| Julio Lugo #23             | .268 | 12 |       | 111 | -   | 126 | 251 | 243 | AAR |        | SS81, OF1(LF)            | R R |
| Mike Lowell #25            | .274 | 2  |       | 123 | -   | 145 | 246 | 245 | AR  |        | 3B110                    | R R |
| J. D. Drew #7 David        | .280 | 4  | PW PK | 125 | 131 | 153 | 245 | 251 | AR  | T-1    | OF106(RF)                | L R |
| "Coco" Crisp #10 Covelli   | .283 | 20 |       | 114 | 116 | 135 | 252 | 251 | AAR | SD     | OF114(CF)                | B R |
| Manny Ramirez #24 +        | .299 | 1  | PK    | 126 | 131 | 152 | 261 | 254 | AR  |        | OF66(LF), DH             | R R |
| Jason Varitek "Tek" #33    | .220 | 0  | PK    | 121 | -   | 135 | 231 | 225 | SLO | SD     | C131                     | B R |
| David Ortiz "Big Papi" #34 | .264 | 1  |       | 126 | 131 | 155 | 243 | 243 | SLO |        | DH                       | L L |
| Jacoby Ellsbury #46        | .280 | 50 |       | 114 | 121 | 134 | 245 | 251 | S   | SD     | OF140(CF/LF/RF)          | L L |
| Jed Lowrie #12             | .258 | 1  | PK    | 112 | 114 | 151 | 244 | 241 | AR  |        | SS49, 3B45, 2B3          | B R |
| Sean Casey #22             | .322 | 1  |       | -   | -   | 133 | 262 | 264 | SLO |        | 1B45, DH                 | L R |
| Jason Bay #44 X            | .293 | 3  | PK    | 125 | 131 | 153 | 254 | 253 | AAR | T-1    | OF49(LF)                 | R R |
| Alex Cora #13              | .270 | 1  |       | -   | 113 | 132 | 242 | 245 | AR  |        | SS69, 2B7                | L R |
| Kevin Cash #30 #36         | .225 | 0  | PK    | 115 | -   | 134 | 233 | 226 | SLO | LD(3B) | C57, 3B4                 | R R |
| Mark Kotsay #11 X          | .226 | 0  |       | -   | 113 | 146 | 226 | 231 | AR  |        | OF19(RF), 1B6            | L L |
| Brandon Moss #44 +         | .295 | 1  | PK    | 116 | 123 | 145 | 253 | 254 | AR  |        | OF23(RF/LF), 1B2         | L R |
| Jeff Bailey #55            | .280 | 0  | PK    | 123 | 131 | 135 | 252 | 246 | AR  |        | 1B12, PH, OF6(LF/RF), DH | R R |
| Chris Carter #51 #54       | .333 | 0  | PK    | -   | -   | -   | 266 | 266 | AR  |        | DH, PH, OF3(LF)          | L L |
| Jonathan Van Every #30 #60 | .235 | 0  | PK    | -   | 131 | -   | 232 | 233 | AR  |        | OF9(RF/CF/LF)            | L L |
| David Ross #28 X           | .125 | 0  | PK    | -   | -   | -   | 153 | 153 | SLO | SD     | 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 |      |                     |
|--------------------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|----|------|---------------------|
| Jon Lester #31           | 3.21  | 210 | 132 | 564 | 33 | 33 | 0  | .000 | L L                 |
| Tim Wakefield #49        | 4.13  | 181 | 133 | 611 | 30 | 30 | 0  | .000 | R R                 |
| Josh Beckett #19         | 4.03  | 174 | 123 | 542 | 27 | 27 | 0  | .000 | R R                 |
| Daisuke Matsuzaka #18    | 2.90  | 168 | 151 | 542 | 29 | 29 | 0  | .000 | R R "Dice K"        |
| Clay Buchholz #61        | 6.75  | 76  | 144 | 551 | 16 | 15 | 0  | .000 | L R "Flaco"         |
| Paul Byrd #36 X          | 4.78  | 49  | 123 | 624 | 8  | 8  | 0  | .000 | R R                 |
| Bartolo Colon #40        | 3.92  | 39  | 125 | 611 | 7  | 7  | 0  | .000 | R R "Big Bart"      |
| Justin Masterson #63     | 3.16  | 88  | 143 | 555 | 36 | 9  | 0  | .000 | R R "Big Masty"     |
| Manny Delcarmen #17      | 3.27  | 74  | 136 | 535 | 73 | 0  | 2  | .000 | R R                 |
| Jonathan Papelbon #58 LD | 2.34  | 69  | 116 | 524 | 67 | 0  | 41 | .000 | R R                 |
| Hideki Okajima #37       | 2.61  | 62  | 135 | 536 | 64 | 0  | 1  | .000 | L L                 |
| Javier Lopez #48         | 2.43  | 59  | 142 | 611 | 70 | 0  | 0  | .000 | L L                 |
| Mike Timlin #50          | 5.66  | 49  | 135 | 614 | 47 | 0  | 1  | .000 | R R                 |
| David Aardsma #53        | 5.55  | 49  | 155 | 541 | 47 | 0  | 0  | .000 | R R "The D. A."     |
| Craig Hansen #56 +       | 5.58  | 31  | 161 | 555 | 32 | 0  | 2  | .000 | R R                 |
| Chris Smith #59          | 7.85  | 18  | 135 | 564 | 12 | 0  | 0  | .000 | R R "Rock 'N' Fire" |
| Julian Tavarez #51 +     | 6.39  | 13  | 153 | 632 | 9  | 0  | 0  | .000 | L R                 |
| David Pauley #62         | 11.68 | 12  | 133 | 563 | 6  | 2  | 0  | .000 | R R                 |
| Devern Hansack #43       | 4.05  | 7   | 121 | 563 | 4  | 0  | 0  | .000 | R R                 |
| Bryan Corey #30 +        | 10.50 | 6   | 136 | 621 | 7  | 0  | 0  | .000 | R R                 |

The Red Sox had a small hold on first place at the end of April (17-12, ½ game lead) and when they reached the All Star break, the team still held that half-game edge with a record of 57-40. The remainder of the campaign would be a nip-and-tuck battle with the Tampa Bay Rays as the Bostons stayed close in second and only falling as many as 5 ½ games behind on August 31<sup>st</sup>. As the calendar flipped to September, the Red Sox would tie the Rays for first (September 15<sup>th</sup>) but faced a slight disadvantage: Boston and Tampa Bay weren't scheduled to meet head-to-head at any time that month, a stretch the Bosox would go 16-10. The Rays played to a 13-14 mark. Boston simply could not overcome that 5 ½ game deficit when August expired; nor did they get enough help from teams playing the Rays during the season's final four weeks. Boston wound up just two games behind Tampa Bay at the end of the regular season...The Red Sox DID garner the A. L. Wild Card spot and went on to knock the Anaheim Angels from the playoffs in the ALDS. During a direct showdown with Tampa Bay in the ALCS, Boston and the Rays slugged it out for seven games with the Rays winning the decisive Game Seven at Tropicana Field, 3-1. Ace Jon Lester lost two ball games in the series...For the year, Boston finished second in the A. L. with a .280 team batting average and sixth with 173 home runs. Kevin Youkilis was the leader with 29 homers and 115 RBI. American League MVP, Dustin Pedroia, racked up 213 base hits, 118 runs scored, and 54 doubles. He drove home 83 runs, socked 17 home runs, and won his first Gold Glove Award. Pedroia's base hits and doubles totals led the big leagues. David Ortiz clubbed 23 homers while Manny Ramirez collected twenty before being traded to the Dodgers, July 31<sup>st</sup>...Daisuke Matsuzaka led the pitching staff with an 18-3 W/L record and 154 strikeouts. Lester was 16-6 and struck out one hundred fifty-two. Josh Beckett was a twelve-game winner. The staff ERA was 4.01 (fourth in the league).