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The Los Angeles Angels and Houston Astros meet on Friday in MLB action at Daikin Park. Here's a Los Angeles Angels Preview The Los Angeles Angels are 8-4 on the year and play the Rangers, Giants, and Pirates next. The Los Angeles Angels are batting .238 on the season, have a .310 OBP, and a .457 slugging percentage. The Los Angeles Angels with 14 hits and 9 RBI, while Nolan Schanuel and Taylor Ward have combined for 25 hits and 11 RBI. Jack Kochanowicz gets the ball for the Los Angeles Angels, and he is 1-0 with a 3.27 ERA and 8 strikeouts this season. This will be Kochanowicz's first career game against the Houston Astros are batting .208 on the season, have a .293 OBP, and a .291 slugging percentage. The Houston Astros' pitching staff has a 3.78 ERA and a 1.07 WHIP. Jose Altuve leads the Houston Astros with 18 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 6 RBI, while Isaac Paredes and Brendan Rodgers have combined for 19 hits and 8 RBI. Ronel Blanco gets the ball for the Houston Astros, and he is 0-1 with a 9.45 ERA and 9 strikeouts this season. Blanco is 3-0 with a 19 hits and 10 miles and 1 2.33 ERA and 22 strikeouts in his career against the Los Angeles Angels. Why the Houston Astros will win The Astros have covered the run line in 10 of their last 11 home games against AL West opponents following a road loss. The Angels have failed to cover the run line in seven of their last eight games against AL West opponents. The Astros have led after 3 innings in each of their last three games against the Angels. Why the Los Angeles Angels will win The Astros have failed to cover the run line each of their last nine games at Daikin Park against teams that held a winning record. The Angels have led after 3 innings in four of their last five games at Daikin Park against AL West opponents that held a losing record. Los Angeles Angels vs Houston Astros Prediction I've bashed the Angels over the years, as this is an underachieving franchise that has ruined careers, but they've won eight of their last 12 games and are putting up big numbers offensively. As long as that continues, the Angels are worth a look in the underdog role. The Astros aren't getting much offense outside of Altuve, and their pitching has been hit hard in these recent losses. Blanco has also been hit hard through 6.2 innings, allowing eight hits and seven runs while walking six. Not sure how you can lay juice with the Astros in this spot. I'll take a shot with the hot Angels on the road and the more favorable price. The pick in this article is the opinion of the writer, not a PickDawgz site consensus. New Screwball - The Smartest Baseball Stat Search Longest Championship Drought By City Fan Report Card Frequently Asked Questions How Scoring Works Accuracy and Fact Checking All MLB stats, streaks, droughts and records are updated based on games played on or before May 23, 2025. Copyright © 2015-2025 ChampsOrChumps.usTerms • Privacy Policy • About This browser does not support the video element.AB: Mauricio DubónP: Tyler AndersonThis browser does not support the video element. AB: Jack LópezP: Justin VerlanderThis browser does not support the video element. AB: Taylor WardP: Justin VerlanderThis browser does not support the video element. 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The Angels scored three runs in the fifth to get within 8-6 before Tucker's solo shot to the bullpen in right-center made it 9-6 in the sixth. He went 4 for 5 to tie a career high in hits. It was Tucker's 12th game back after missing more than three months with a small fracture in his right shin. "He had some really good at-bats," manager Joe Espada said. "He's on the ball. Just the quality of at-bats looks like his timing is coming." Kevin Pillar, who was reinstated from the injured list Friday, hit a solo homer in the seventh inning for the Angels but Houston's bullpen shut Los Angeles down the rest of the way, Justin Verlander gave up eight hits and six runs in 4 2/3 innings. It's the third time in four starts where the three-time Cy Young Award winner has allowed eight hits and at least five runs. He said postgame that he thinks he rushed back from a neck injury that kept him out almost two months this summer. "I think I came back from the neck injury a little fast," he said. "Obviously I know the schedule, I k and a run in 1 1/3 innings for the win and Josh Hader pitched a scoreless ninth for his 33rd save. The Astros jumped on Tyler Anderson (10-14) for eight hits and six runs — three earned — in just 2 2/3 innings, his shortest start this season. Matt Thaiss, who snapped an 0 for 34 skid with a single in the fourth, had two hits and drove in two runs for Los Angeles and Eric Wagaman added three hits and two RBIs. Manager Ron Washington was impressed by the contributions from the bottom of his lineup Friday night. "We needed everything they did and they played hard," he said. "We just came up short." The Astros led 1-0 after a sacrifice fly by Mauricio Dubón with one out in the second. Angels rookie Gustavo Campero hit his first career triple with one out in the third inning. He scored on a single by Jack López that tied it at 1-1. Pillar walked with one out in the fourth and stole second base with two outs. Wagaman's single to right field scored him to cut the lead to 6-2. Thaiss then singled to get his first hit since Aug. 22. Verlander plunked Campero to load the bases and López singled to make it 6-3. Bregman and Diaz hit RBI singles in the fourth to push the lead to 8-3. The Angels within 8-4 and chase Verlander. Bryan King took over and Thaiss singled to center field to scored two more and cut the lead to 8-6.TRAINER'S ROOMAngels: INF Charles Leblanc was optioned to Triple-A Salt Lake to make room for Pillar on the roster. UP NEXTHouston RHP Ronel Blanco (11-6, 2.88 ERA) opposes LHP Reid Detmers (4-7, 6.05) when the series continues Saturday night. AP MLB: Angels shortstop Zach Neto celebrates after hitting a three-run double during the ninth inning against the Astros on Sunday. The Angels trailed 4-0 in the sixth before scoring two runs in back-to-back innings, and then took the lead in the eighth on a solo shot from Neto. The Astros responded with two runs in the bottom of the inning before the Angels had a four-run ninth. Leading 9-6, Jose Quijada gave up a pair of RBI singles to Yainer Diaz and Victor Caratini, making it a one-run game. The Angels called on Guillo Zuniga to close it out. He struck out Jeremy Pena with the tying run on third base. It was Zuniga's second save of the season. Brock Burke (2-1) got the win. Houston (85-71) begins a three-game series with Seattle (80-76) on Monday and has a chance to clinch the AL West with a win in that series. The Angels loaded the bases against Astros closer Josh Hader in the ninth. Taylor Ward drew a game-tying walk before Neto ripped a bases-clearing double down the left-field line to drive in three more. This was Hader's fourth blown save this season. Hader (8-8) gave up four runs on three hits, walked two and struck out none in one-third of an inning. Neto cut the lead in half in the sixth with a two-run shot in his second career multi-home run game. Houston's Spencer Arrighetti gave up two runs on six hits, walked none and struck out three in 4 1/3 innings. Jose Altuve and Alex Bregman homered in the fifth inning. It was the 20th homer of the season for Altuve, who also has 22 stolen bases this season, giving him his first 20-20 season since 2017. Angels outfielder Jordyn Adams was out of the lineup for a third straight game because of right knee soreness. Angels manager Ron Washington considers his status still day-to-day. ... After an off day, right-hander Jonathan Cannon (4-10, 4.61). ERA) will face White Sox right-hander Jack Kochanowicz (2-5, 4.56 ERA) in the series opener on Tuesday in Chicago.