

## CY'S MLB CAREER HIGHLIGHTS SUMMARY

*NOTE: Each of these will be covered further in the chapters.*

- NL home run crowns: 4  
1916, 1920, 1923 (MLB), 1927
- 1st in NL to hit 200 home runs. 1926. Second to Ruth (AL).  
200th a walk-off grand slam.
- 3rd all-time (MLB) for number of seasons in the top three in home runs, against peers, by league: 11 seasons.  
Exceeded only by Babe Ruth (AL), Mel Ott (NL), and tied by Mike Schmidt (NL). NL Record stood for 19 years.
- 1st to retire with 250+ career home runs (MLB)
- Most home runs through May 31: 18  
1923. MLB record for 64 years, broken by Eric Davis.
- Most home runs in one month, (MLB): 15  
May, 1923. Ruth breaks in September.  
NL record stands 26 years. Ralph Kiner gets 16th in September, 1949.
- Most home runs in May: 15 [1923]  
MLB Record for 33 years. Mantle (AL) got 16 in 1956.  
NL record stood for 75 years. McGuire (PEDs) gets 16 in 1998.
- Most seasons, through 1930, led or shared lead of home runs hit on the road: 5 seasons
- Oldest in MLB, still all-time, to win League home run crown, 1927: 30 home runs. Age 39  
Record still stands.

- Three home run crowns in 1920s exceeded all others in NL.
- Most home runs at retirement: through 1930,  
Cy's 251 home runs was exceeded only by Ruth (AL) in 1935 and Rogers Hornsby (NL) who continued to play.  
NL record broken in 1937 by Hornsby at retirement, 301.  
Cy's MLB retirement record stood for five years.
- Record career pinch hit home runs at retirement, MLB: 11
- Pinch hit grand slams: 2
- Record at retirement pinch hits, career: 41
- Inside the Park Home Runs: 12
- More Records Still Held:
  - Home run power ratio (Matt Barron) 1st in NL, 2nd MLB (Ruth).
  - Home runs as % of contact rate vs. league average: 1st in NL. 4th in MLB (Ruth, Jimmie Foxx, Lou Gehrig).
- 1st player to face an extreme shift of fielders, all to the right of or on the center line from home plate through second base to the fence. The "WILLIAMS SHIFT" later was applied to Ted Williams and Billy Williams, neither as extreme as what Cy faced as a dead pull left-hand batter.
- Batting average above .300: 6 seasons.  
High, 1926: .345. Age 38.
- Career batting average against extreme shift: .292
- 1920s Live Ball Era, 10 years  
Batting Average: .310  
Onbase Plus Slugging (OPS): .919
- Career Grand Slams: 7
- Walk-off Grand Slams: 3
- Most extra innings Grand Slams, career: 2  
MLB record tied five times. Cy's record remains unbroken.
- 1st in MLB to hit two Grand Slams in same season.
- 10 or more triples in a season: 2
- Two or more home runs in one game: 15

- Three home run games: 1
- Three consecutive home runs over two games: 1
- Super Cycle: Home Run, Triple, Double, Single, Walk in One Game: 1
- Record most consecutive hits off all-time great pitcher Grover "Pete" Alexander: 7
- Career putout assists from outfield: 226  
1st in 1921 and 1922, 2nd in 1917 and 1924, 3rd in 1920 (NL)
- Double plays started from outfield (NL): 40  
1st in 1922 NL: 9
- Career fielding percent: .973  
Very high for those decades, and for Baker Bowl field conditions.
- Cy hit first home run ever broadcast on radio, KDKA Pittsburgh, August 5, 1921.
- All-time Phillies record for RBI's, single season, by a centerfielder: 114. Still Stands.
- 15-game MLB record set. April 30 to May 17, 1923, Cy recorded 29 RBIs, 11 singles, five doubles and 11 home runs. Total bases for 15 games: 65. Average over four per game. When broken not known. Unique.
- Only player in NL to gain a home run crown in both the live ball and the dead ball eras.
- Led NL in career home runs for six seasons, 1923 – 1928.
- Both Hornsby and Cy reached the 250 HR plateau during the 1929 season, Hornsby getting there first against the aging Cy.
- If you take the nine seasons of 1920 through 1928, Cy's OPS would be at or near .908. If those years were his career, today he would rank 25th all-time NL, 55th MLB.
- Most managers played for, MLB all-time record: 14  
Still stands.
- A record experienced, not made: Cubs and Phillies combined team losses while Cy on roster (including games he did not actually play in): 1,616 losses experienced against fewest wins. Probably an all-time record for sadness for a single player.

# CY WILLIAMS CAREER AND NATIONAL LEAGUE STATS

YEAR	AGE	TEAM	W-L	STDG	GAMES PLAYED	PA	HOME RUNS			BA		
							CY	TOP 10 NL	AB/HR	TOP 10 NL	NL AVG.	CY
1912	24	Cubs	91-59	3	28	71	0			.272	.242	-30
1913	25		88-65	3	49	167	4			.262	.224	-38
1914	26		78-76	4	55	111	0			.251	.202	-49
1915	27		73-80	4	151	566	13	2	39.8	.248	.257	+9
1916	28		67-86	5	118	485	12	1	33.8	.247	.279	+32
1917	29		74-80	5	138	540	5	7	93.6	.249	.241	-8
1918	30	Phillies	55-68	6	94	401	6	2	58.5	.254	.276	+22
1919	31		47-90	Last	109	481	9	3	48.3	.268	.278	+10

Dead Ball

YEAR	AGE	TEAM	W-L	STDG	GAMES PLAYED	PA	CY	TOP 10 NL	AB/HR	TOP 10 NL	NL AVG.	CY	+/- NL	TOP 10	Live Ball
1921	33		51-103	Last	146	603	18	3	31.2	3	.289	.320	+31		
1922	34		57-91	7	151	676	26	2	22.5	2	.292	.308	+16		
1923	35		50-104	Last	136	604	41	1	13.0	1	.286	.293	+7		
1924	36		55-96	7	148	637	24	3	23.3	4	.283	.328	+55	10	
1925	37		68-85	6	107	375	13	*	24.2	3	.292	.331	+39		
1926	38		58-93	Last	107	384	18	3	18.7	1	.280	.345	+65	4	
1927	39		51-103	Last	136	569	30	1	16.4	1	.282	.274	-8		
1928	40		43-109	Last	99	303	12		19.8	0 (5 if eligible)	.281	.256	-15		
1929	41		71-82	5	66	89	5		13.0	1 (1 if eligible)	.294	.292	-2		
1930	42		52-102	Last	21	21	0				.303	.471	+168		

Career: .292

Career: 2002 7720 251

PA: Plate Appearances

BA: Batting Average

(Live & Dead Ball eras stats combined)

#1: 4 times #1: 5 times

Top 3: 11 times Top 3: 11 times

Top 10: 12 times Top 10: 13 times

\* missed Top 10 by one HR

YEAR	OBP		SLG		OPS		P+S				
	NL AVG.	CY	+/- NL	TOP 10	NL AVG.	CY	+/- NL	TOP 10	CY	TOP 10	
1912	.340	.309	-31	.290	.369	.290	-79	.710	.559	-151	.0
1913	.325	.262	-63	.359	.354	.359	+5	.679	.621	-58	4.4
1914	.317	.312	-5	.266	.334	.266	-78	.651	.578	-73	.0
1915	.309	.305	-4	.398	.331	.398	+67	.640	.703	+63	13.9
1916	.303	.372	+69	.459	.328	.459	+131	.632	.831	+199	8.0
1917	.305	.308	+3	.338	.328	.338	+10	.633	.646	+13	6.2
1918	.311	.337	+26	.373	.328	.373	+45	.638	.710	+72	7.5
1919	.311	.335	+24	.393	.337	.393	+56	.648	.728	+80	9.0

Dead Ball

YEAR	OBP		SLG		OPS		P+S				
	NL AVG.	CY	+/- NL	TOP 10	NL AVG.	CY	+/- NL	TOP 10	CY	TOP 10	
1920	.322	.364	+42	.497	.357	.497	+140	.679	.861	+182	16.4
1921	.338	.357	+19	.488	.397	.488	+91	.736	.844	+78	7.8
1922	.348	.392	+44	.514	.404	.514	+110	.753	.905	+152	15.5
1923	.343	.371	+28	.576	.395	.576	+81	.737	.947	+210	17.3
1924	.337	.403	+66	.552	.392	.552	+130	.729	.955	+230	10.8
1925	.348	.435	+87	.522	.414	.522	+108	.762	.958	+196	6.1
1926	.338	.418	+80	.568	.386	.568	+182	.724	.986	+262	3.6
1927	.339	.365	+26	.502	.386	.502	+116	.725	.867	+142	.0
1928	.344	.400	+56	.445	.397	.445	+48	.741	.845	+104	.0
1929	.357	.471	+114	.554	.426	.554	+128	.783	.668	-114	.0
1930	.360	.571	+211	.558	.428	.558	+110	.808	1.160	+352	

Live Ball

Career: .365  
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 Career: .835  
 1920s: .522  
 1920s (apx.): .907

OBP: On Base Percentage  
 Top 10: 10 times  
 Top 10: 7 times  
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SLG: Slugging

OPS: Onbase plus Slugging

P+S: Power plus Speed

(Live & Dead Ball eras stats combined)