CHICAGO SKY TALKING POINTS Game Day vs. LOS ANGELES SPARKS Sunday, September 6, 2020

SEASONS

RECAP OF LAST GAME

- Sky lost to Washington 79-69 to split the season series
- Sky has lost 4 of last 5 games after winning 4 of the previous 5 games
- 69 points is Sky low for the season (previous 71 vs Seattle 8/10/20)
- Last time Sky scored less than 70 points was 6/21/19 when it scored 69 vs Conn
- Sky's magic number for being eliminated from a first round bye is 2

SKY VS LOS ANGELES

- The Sky has an all-time record of 9-24 (.273), its worst composite total against any current WNBA franchise (the team was 3-12 [.200] against Detroit from 2006 through 2009 when the team moved to Tulsa).
- Last season, the Sky was 1-2 against the Sparks losing both games in Los Angeles and winning the lone game in Chicago. As a road team, the Sky is 3-12 (.200) against the Sparks.
- The Sky won the first match-up between the two teams 96-78. The 18-point win was the largest margin of victory by a Sky team over the Sparks.
 Previous high was 12 points (3 times- last 6/29/13)

LA SPARKS SEASON

- Since losing to the Sky in game two of the 2020 season, the Sparks are 12-4
- Sparks have lost two of last three games
- Prior to last three games, Sparks had a 9-game winning streak
- Sparks only losses this season have been to playoff teams: Seattle (2), Chicago, Las Vegas and Minnesota

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 Over last 3 games when Sparks are 1-2 they are still 4th in the league in scoring at 86.0 PPG and 1st in shooting at 49.7%

INCREASED PLAYING TIME

Since the loss of Diamond DeShields and Azurá Stevens, many of the Sky players have had to increase their playing time

First 13 Games Last 6 Games	9-4 2-4				
	Quigley	Vandersloot	Copper	Williams	Hebard
First 13 Games	26.7	30.7	29.5	20.8	16.7
Last 6 Games	31.3	32.3	33.8	32.7	11.7
Career High	32.3 (2017)	31.8 (2018)	16.2 (2016)	23.0 (2018)	N/A

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#14 ALLIE QUIGLEY

- Leads Sky in scoring with 15.5 PPG
- Shooting 20% from three on 20 attempts over the last two games
- Three-Point shooting in 2020 is 35.1%. This is her lowest average since 2015 when she shot 34%.
- Last year she shot a career high and league leading 44.2%. Has shot 40% or better from three in each of the last three seasons
- Has made 27 consecutive free throws

#2 KAHLEAH COPPER

- 2nd on Sky in scoring: 14.9 PPG
- Tied season low with 6 points vs Washington
- Last 2 games averaging 8 PPG on 35.3% shooting (season shooting average is a career high 50.2%)
- Career high 10 rebounds vs Washington
- Has missed last five three-point attempts over last two games. Was shooting 50% (7-14) over previous five games
- Over last six games (since loss of Stevens and DeShields) averaging 8.7 RPG. Averaged 3.7 RPG over first 13 games

#22 COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT

- 3rd on Sky in scoring: 13.4 PPG
- Career-high in scoring in 2020. Previous high 12.5 in 2018
- Averaging 9.5 APG which would be a new WNBA record. Needs 20 assists over next four games to guarantee breaking her WNBA record of 9.0909 APG she set last year
- Needs 39 assists over next four games to reach 10.0 assists per game
- Set the following records for assists this year:
 - o Most assists in 1 game: 18 vs Ind 8/31
 - Most assists in 2 consecutive games: 30 (8/31 – 9/2)
 - Most assists in 3 consecutive games: 41 (8/31 – 9/4)
 - Most assists in 4 consecutive games: 50 (8/29 – 9/4) ties her total from 7/20 – 7/31/18
- 3 consecutive double doubles. Career high is 4 (7/20 – 7/31/18)
- 2nd in WNBA in double doubles with 7. Candace Parker leads the WNBA with 8
- Over last three games averaging 14 PPG on 51.9% shooting, 54.5% shooting from three, 13.7 APG (no other WNBA player has had more than 12 assists in any game this season)
- While Vandersloot is on the floor in 2020, Sky is averaging 6.9 PPG more than their opponents.
 When Vandersloot is off the floor, the Sky is outscored by 3.5 PPG.

#32 CHEYENNE PARKER

- 4th on Sky in scoring: 12.9 PPG
- Career high PPG in 2020- previous high 10.0 in 2018
- Averaging 18.5 PPG on 63% shooting and 10.0 RPG over the last two games
- Hit all eight of her two-point attempts vs Washington
- No free throw attempts over last two games

#31 STEFANIE DOLSON

- O rebounds vs Washington. First time since 2015 she has played more than 15 minutes in a game without a rebound
- Averaging only 13.4 MPG over last 2 games

#15 GABBY WILLIAMS

- Last two games: 34 MPG, 4.0 PPG, 18.8% shooting, 18.2% shooting from three
- Averaging 27.9% shooting in Sky's eight losses

#24 RUTHY HEBARD

- Continued streak of games with 50% or better shooting vs Washington.
 Streak now at 12 games.
- Shooting 70.6% from the field over the last 12 games.
- Her 2 for 3 performance vs Washington lowered her shooting over the 12-game streak from 70.8 to 70.6



RANKINGS / LEAGUE LEADERS

2019 SKY RECORD AFTER 19 GAMES: 11-8 2019 SKY RECORD AFTER 20 GAMES: 12-8

CHICAGO		LOS ANGELES	
1stin FG%	49.1%	1st in 3PT%	40.9%
1st in APG	21.6APG	2nd inFG%	48.6
3rd in PPG	21.0AI 0	3rdin SPG	
3rd in FT%	86.5 PPG	5th in APG	9.3 SPG
	81.5%	5th in PPG	19.4 APG
4th in BPG	4.0 BPG		85.8 PPG
5th in 3PT%			

35.0%

COURTNEY VANDERSLOOT

> 1st in WNBA in ASSISTS: 9.5 APG

> ALLIE QUIGLEY

> T3rd in WNBA in 3PTM: 40

RUTHY HEBARD

▶1st in WNBA in FG%

(Min. 10 attempts): 66.7%

CANDACE PARKER

- > 1st in REBOUNDS: 9.3 RPG
- > 3rd in 3PT%: 47.4%

CHELSEA GRAY

> 4th in ASSISTS: 4.8 APG

NNEKA OGWUMIKE

> **3rd** in FG%: 59.5%

SYNDEY WIESE

> 4th in 3PT%: 47.2%

MISCELLEANOUS

- The Sky is shooting 49.4% from the field in 2020. The team's record is 46.2% in 2016. The all-time WNBA record for FG% in a season is 48.7% by Los Angeles in 2016.
- Sky had only 16 FT attempts combined over the last two games. That is less than the per game average of all but one other team in the league. Sky is last in the league with 14.8 FTA per game
- Over last two losses, Sky is allowing an average of 30 opponent points in the 1st quarter
- Sparks is averaging a league worst 6.0 Offensive Rebounds per game and a league worst 30.7 total rebounds per game
- Sparks are league best at not getting their shots blocked averaging only 2.1 blocks against per game
- Sparks lead the league in scoring points off turnovers averaging 19.9 per game. Sky is 3rd to last in league in committing turnovers- 16.1 per game
- Sparks lead the league in forcing opponent turnovers- 18.1 per game
- Sky is 2nd in the league in points in the paint- 37.9 per game. Sparks is 2nd in the league in allowing points in the paint: 30.9 per game
- Sky is 2nd in the league in limiting opponent's 2nd chance points- 9.0 per game
- Sky allows the fewest opponent 3 Pt FGM per game- 6.6