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ERA Versus WHIP in Betting and Fantasy Baseball

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Summary:

Rotisserie baseball players and sports bettors will want to check out this great article on ho

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Article Body:

I share oodles of information and debate philosophies with many sharp players on a continuous

One of the most heated deliberations among the sharpest of the sharks is how to weigh a pitche

I realize most baseball fans know what an ERA is, but many are not as versed on WHIP. It's wa

I tell them it's the equivalent of asking a doctor whether one should diet or exercise. Sure

A true handicapping scientist knows that careful interpretation of both ERA and WHIP neutraliz

Here is a pro-WHIP argument I often hear and articulated on rec.gambling. sports newsgroup by

The ERA can be affected by good fortunate (luck) far more than WHIP. The walks and hits a pitc

But the same poor pitching, which allowed the walks and hits onboard, isn't necessarily refle

This is particularly important in the first handful of starts of the early season, where avera

A pitcher allowing a 400' shot to center for example when a breeze is blowing in or the field

But in a different park the same 400' shot to center is a homerun, or the wind blows it in the

So one fortunate guy gets a low ERA and the less fortunate guy, who allowed the SAME number of

Meanwhile, the WHIP stat is not affected unfairly in that way, and as such I feel it more indi

I agree with many of the points raised but the dissertation was a bit one-sided review of the

WHIP can be very imperfect as well. It does not measure a pitcher's ability to pitch out of to

Pitchers who can get the ground ball double play when they need it or have the ability to bear

Plus in a discussion with some of the top baseball predictors on the planet, one of the elite

Hence, I must be adamant as an inescapable stipulation that because baseball's definition of "

However seeing some of the top handicapping geniuses get in heated dispute of the pros and con

As a sports doctor the only baseball picks that I give my patients will be from the knowledge

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