

With the completion of the SPB1 1988 season, Street & Schmoody sends out congratulations to champion Steve Lehman and his Bloomington Hoosiers, who dominated the American League with their fourth straight triple digit winning season and an SPB1 AL record 121 wins, capped off by the franchise's third SPB1 Championship in five seasons.

American League
predicted finishes

vs actual finish:

1.	110 wins	Bloomington Hoosiers	121 wins	1st place
2.	88 wins	Frankfort Tigers	92 wins	2nd place
3.	87 wins	Carolina Bandits	73 wins	10th place
4.	85 wins	Dayton Triangles	91 wins	3rd place
5.	83 wins	Collierstown Highlanders	74 wins	t8th place
6.	79 wins	Hatteras Pelicans III	74 wins	t8th place
7.	78 wins	Rockford Forest Citys	88 wins	4th place
8.	77 wins	Indy Alley Cats	82 wins	5th place
9.	75 wins	Cuyahoga River Flames	78 wins	t6th place
10.	69 wins	Cleveland Spiders	78 wins	t6th place
11.	54 wins	Evanston Black Sox	48 wins	11th place

National League
predicted finishes

vs actual finish:

1.	101 wins	Bolton Hill Scotties	98 wins	1st place
2.	97 wins	Beast Coast Brushbacks	96 wins	t2nd place
3.	95 wins	Wichita Wind Surge	96 wins	t2nd place
4.	93 wins	Spirit Mountain Volcanoes	88 wins	4th place
5.	91 wins	Flushing Rats	79 wins	6th place
6.	78 wins	New York Mets	77 wins	7th place
7.	74 wins	Fairfax Peppers	84 wins	5th place
8.	71 wins	Milwaukee Road	76 wins	8th place
9.	70 wins	Blue Ridge Mountaineers	73 wins	9th place
10.	67 wins	Ottawa Lynx	55 wins	11th place
11.	59 wins	Kenosha Lakers	61 wins	10th place

Street&Schmoody's predictions were close, picking three of the four AL playoff contenders and all four NL playoff teams for the 1988 season. S&S missed big on the Bandits and the Forest Citys in the AL, the Bandits dropping to 10th from a predicted 3rd place finish and the Forest Citys, who made the playoffs as a wild card fourth place team, were predicted to be a 7th place team.

AMERICAN LEAGUE 1988 RECAP: A list by teams with team totals (league ranks) monthly record, player and pitcher of the month, a brief synopsis, and team leaders. Managerial record is career total along with World Series championships.

Bloomington Hoosiers 121-41 .747 1st Steve Lehman 1155-1113 .509 3WS:

Batting: .284(1)/.356(1)/.453(1)/.809(1) 313d(1)/47t(2)/183hr(1)908r(1)860rbi(1)141sb(3)
Pitching: 2.59(1) 1473.1ip(1) 1220h(1) 370bb(1) 898k(4) 36cg(1) 16ShO(1) 47sv(3)

APR	23- 7	.767	AVanSlyke	.342	5hr	15rbi	THiguera	4-0	0.67	40.1ip	31k
MAY	21- 9	.700	BButler	.353	2hr	17rbi	BSaberhagen	3-0	1.89	38.0ip	19k
JUN	16- 5	.762	BButler	.301	0hr	10rbi	AAnderson	3-0	0.64	28.0ip	20k
JUL	22- 7	.759	AVanSlyke	.429	5hr	24rbi	THiguera	4-0	1.44	31.1ip	22k
AUG	24- 4	.857	RYount	.402	3hr	22rbi	THiguera	4-0	1.32	34.0ip	31k
SEP	15- 9	.625	RReady	.367	1hr	10rbi	THiguera	4-0	1.61	28.0ip	22k

The Hoosiers were one of those rare teams, a wire to wire juggernaut, never letting go of the American League lead from day one, starting the '88 season with a SPB1 record opening season, fourteen game winning streak, courtesy of two inter league seven game sweeps of the Peppers and the Mountaineers. Surprisingly, these Hoosiers had two separate four game losing streaks. The Hoosiers also entertained an eleven game winning streak. The Hoosiers SP Teddy Higuera accomplished an undefeated season with 22 wins and then added three post-season wins in four starts for a 25-0 pitching campaign, the likes of which we will probably never see again. Taking the AL championship series four games to two, over the Triangles, then a World Championship in seven games for the Hoosiers third championship in five seasons. GM Steve Lehman will remember this 1988 SPB1 Hoosiers season as one for the ages.

BA: AVanSlyke .319 OBP: BButler .415 SLG: AVanSlyke .555 G: RYount 162 AB: RYount 673
R: BButler 128 H: RYount 199 2b: RYount 50 3b: AVanSlyke 12 HR: KMcReynolds 31 RBI:
KMcReynolds 125 SB: OSmith 27.

W: THiguera 22 L: DMartinez 9 ERA: THiguera 1.56 AP: MGardner 69 IP: THiguera 202.0
K: THiguera 162 HR: DMartinez 26 CG: THigera/MBoddicker 7 ShO: THiguera/BSaberhagen 3
Sv: GMinton/GHarris 15.

Frankfort Tigers 92-70 .568 2nd 29gb Gary Plunkitt 3064-2555 .545 2WS:

APR	20-10	.667	TLaudner	.328	3hr	9rbi	JDeLeon	3-0	1.82	39.2ip	36k
MAY	16-14	.533	WWilson	.347	1hr	4rbi	EKing	1-0	2.67	27.0ip	19k
JUN	14-13	.519	MBrantley	.343	5hr	15rbi	DEckersley	0-0	2.84	12.2ip	16k 8sv
JUL	14- 9	.609	JRay	.347	0hr	15rbi	SDavis	3-1	3.03	35.2ip	23k
AUG	9-19	.321	GBrett	.338	3hr	14rbi	DEckersley	0-1	2.13	12.2ip	13k 3sv
SEP	19- 5	.792	HJohnson	.324	7hr	25rbi	DGooden	5-0	1.93	37.1ip	28k

BA: JRay .313 OBP: GBrett .370 SLG: JCarter .451 G: JCarter/JRay/GBrett 158
AB: JRay 630 R: JCarter 85 H: JRay 197 2b: JCarter 40 3b: JRay 12 HR: HJohnson 31
RBI: JCarter 102 SB: WWilson 42.

W: DGooden 18 L: SDavis 15 ERA: DGooden 3.74 AP: DEckersley 62 IP: DGooden 228.1 K:
JDeLeon 210 HR: JGuzman 28 CG: DGooden 4 Sv: DEckersley 30 ShO: JGuzman/SDavis 1.

The Tigers held off the Triangles for most of the season and finished in second place by a single game, guaranteeing a bye and an automatic second round slot in the AL