



# JARREN DURAN V. BOSTON RED SOX

***Service Time: 2.155 (1TE)***

***Club Filing: \$3.5 Million***

***Player Filing: \$4.5 Million***

***Midpoint: \$4 Million***



# BOSTON RED SOX

## Themes:

1. Performance Regression
2. Lack of Career Consistency
3. History of Physical Injuries

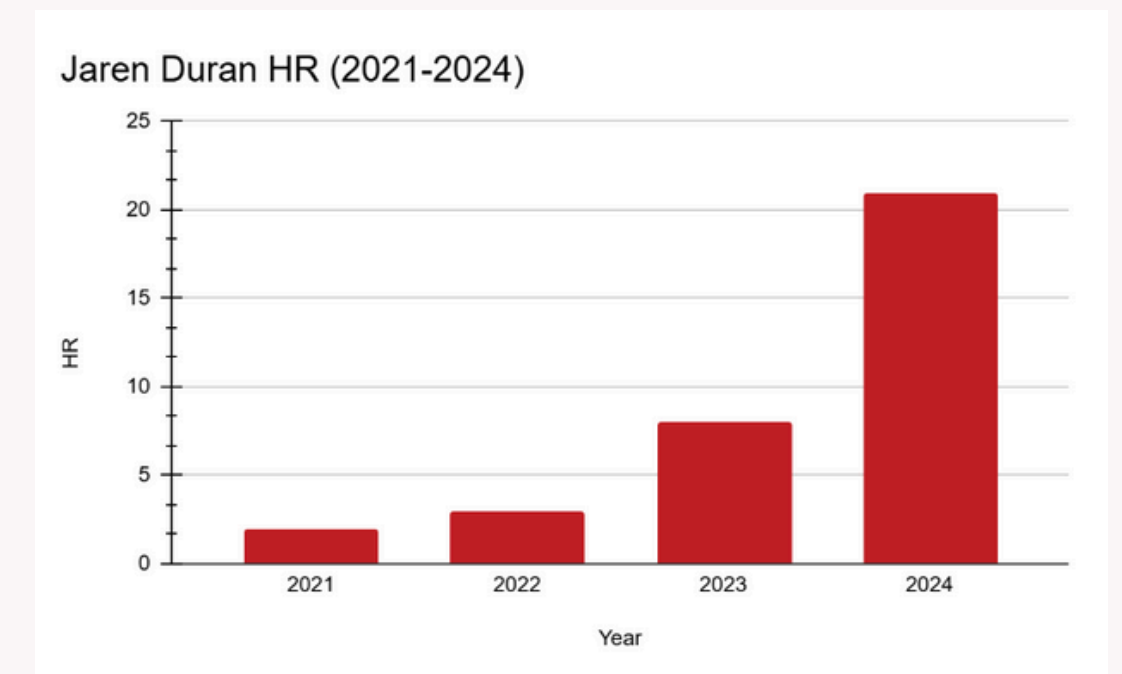
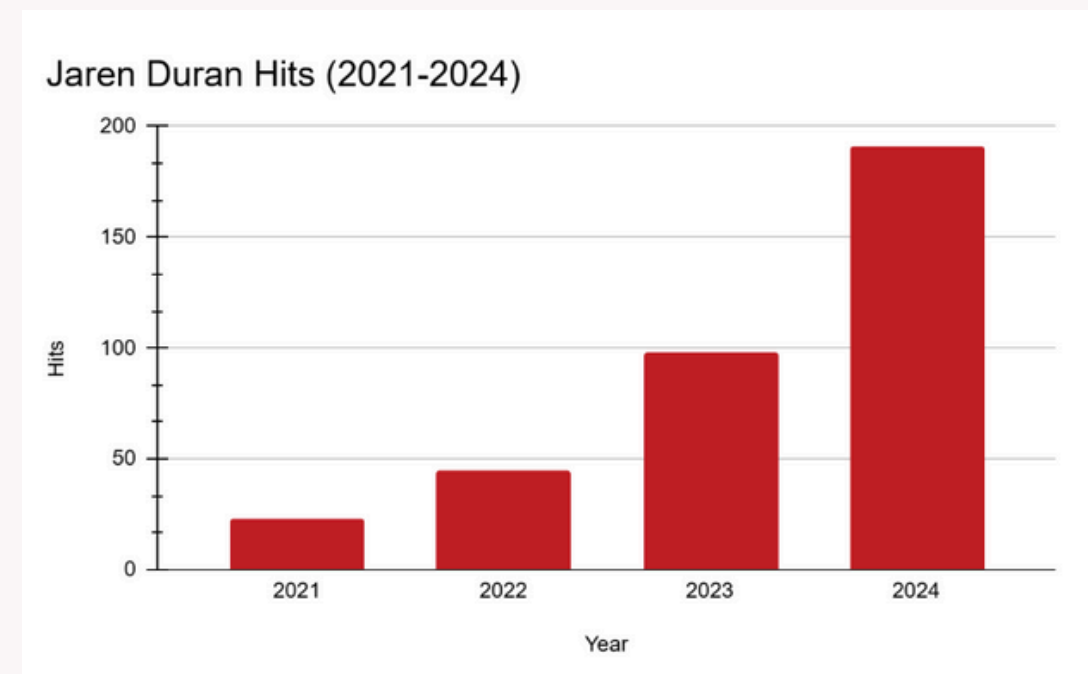
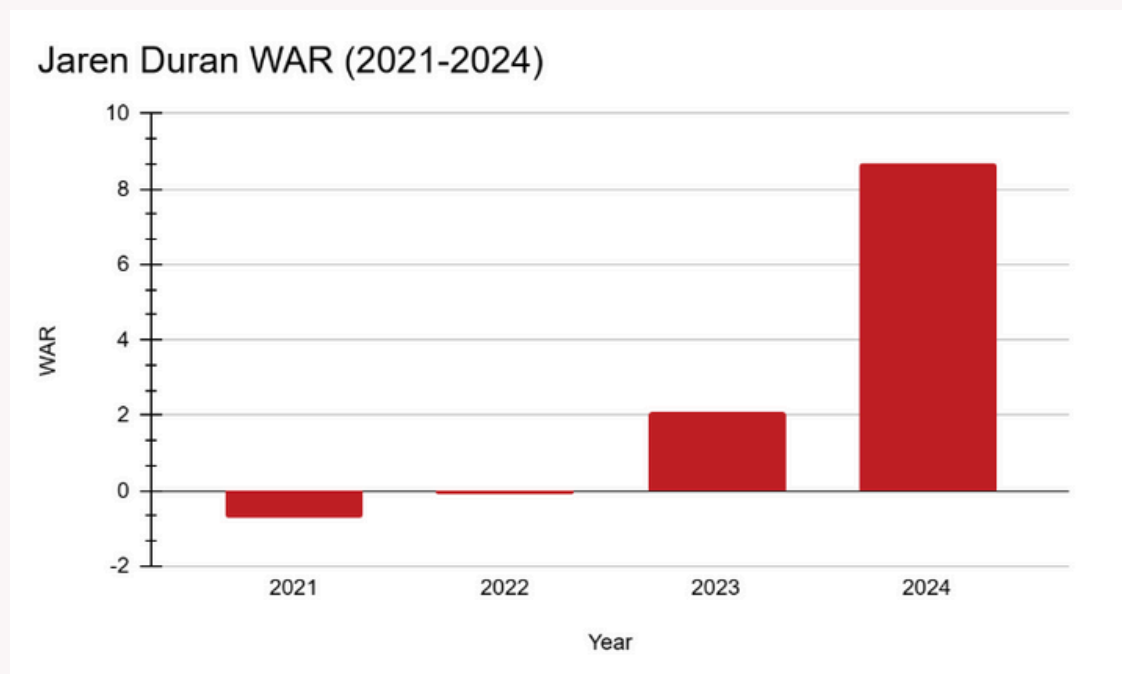
**He has reached his peak of performance.**

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# PERFORMANCE REGRESSION

## Duran's 2024 Season Was an Anomaly.



**His 2024 Performance is Historically Rare  
and Unlikely to be Replicated.**

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# PERFORMANCE REGRESSION

*Performance Regression is Likely.*

Duran 2024 vs. 2021-2023

Stat	2024	2021-2023
PA	735	697
H	191	166
HR	21	13
RBI	75	67
SB	34	33

Duran 2024 vs. Career Average

Stat	2024	Career Avg.
WAR	8.7	2.5
PA	735	358
H	191	89
HR	21	9
RBI	75	36
SB	34	17



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# LACK OF CAREER CONSISTENCY

Jarren Duran 2021 & 2022 Season Stats

Year	WAR	G	PA	H	HR	RBI	SB	BA	OBP	SLG	OPS	OPS+
2021	-0.7	33	112	23	2	10	2	.215	.241	.336	.578	53
2022	-0.1	58	223	45	3	17	7	.221	.283	.363	.645	78

**Subpar Performances in 2021 & 2022**



**Midpoint: \$4 Million**

# LACK OF CAREER CONSISTENCY

Jarren Duran 2023 & 2024 Season Stats

Year	WAR	G	PA	H	HR	RBI	SB	BA	OBP	SLG	OPS	OPS+
2023	2.1	102	362	98	8	40	24	.295	.346	.482	.828	121
2024	8.7	160	735	191	21	75	34	.285	.342	.492	.834	129

**Solid Performances in 2023 & 2024**



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# LACK OF CAREER CONSISTENCY

## *No Record of Sustained Elite Play*

- The first two years of his career he performed below average.
- The third year he had a solid season, but sustained a season ending injury.
- One outlier season, in his platform year, is not sufficient evidence of sustainable elite performance.



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# HISTORY OF PHYSICAL INJURIES

## *A History of Foot Injuries*

- Duran Sustained a Season Ending 2023 Turf Toe Injury, which required surgery



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# HISTORY OF PHYSICAL INJURIES

## *Prone to Injury Related Regression*

- Speed and explosiveness are the cornerstone of Duran's game.
- At 28 years old, with a history of foot injuries, these critical areas of his game are likely to decline.
- Toward the end of his 2024 season, he appeared fatigued furthering these sustainability concerns.
- The risk of reoccurring injuries and injury related regression is a significant concern.



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# RECORD OF PAST COMPENSATION

Year	Age	Team	Salary	Status
2018	21	Boston Red Sox	\$189,800	Signing Bonus
2021	24	Boston Red Sox	\$570,500	Base Salary
2022	25	Boston Red Sox	\$700,000	Optioned to the Minors
2023	26	Boston Red Sox	\$720,000	Extension Contract
2024	27	Boston Red Sox	\$760,000	Extension Contract

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# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES



**Nathaniel Lowe**

**1B, \$4M**

**2023 WS, Gold Glove,  
Silver Slugger**



**Austin Riley**

**3B/LF, \$3.9M (Club win)**

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# PLATFORM YEAR

**Nathanial Lowe**  
**1B, \$4M**  
**2023 WS, Gold Glove,**  
**Silver Slugger**

	<b>Duran</b>	<b>Lowe</b>
<b>WAR</b>	8.7	3.2
<b>G</b>	160	157
<b>PA</b>	735	645
<b>H</b>	191	179
<b>HR</b>	21	27
<b>RBI</b>	75	76
<b>SB</b>	34	2
<b>BA</b>	0.285	0.302
<b>OBP</b>	0.342	0.358
<b>SLG</b>	0.492	0.492
<b>OPS</b>	0.834	0.851
<b>OPS+</b>	129	139

- **Lowe posted an impressive .302 batting average, 27 home runs, 76 RBI, and an OPS of .851 over 157 games (2022)**
- **Consistent offensive contributions earned him a salary of \$4,050,000**

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# NATHANIAL LOWE (PLATFORM)



**Nathaniel Lowe**

**1B, \$4M**

**2023 WS, Gold Glove, Silver Slugger**



**Jarren Duran**

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- **Lowe's higher batting average and superior run production compared to Mr. Duran demonstrate a clear performance gap, especially in power metrics, where Lowe significantly outperformed Mr. Duran in both home runs and RBI.**

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# CAREER

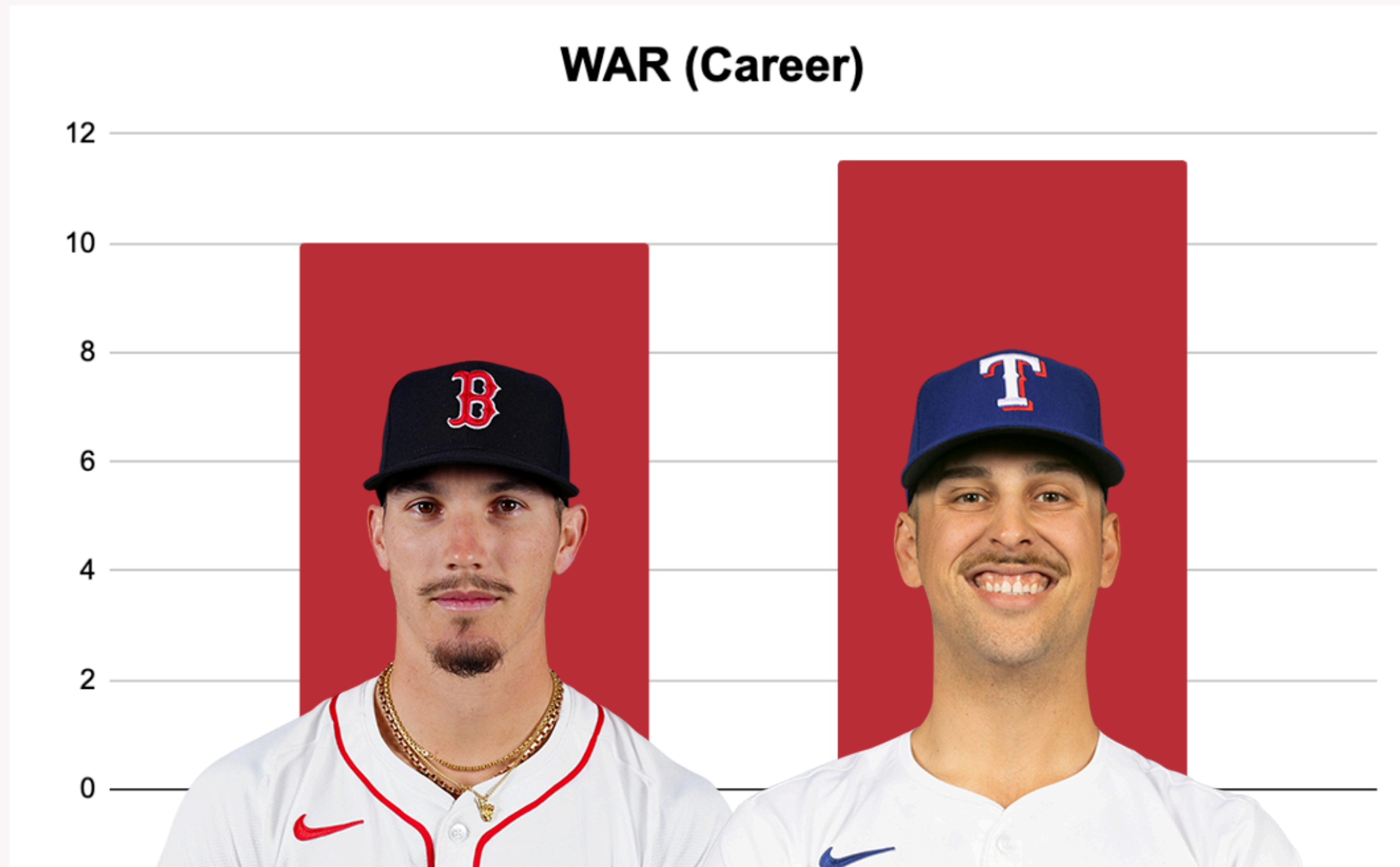
**Nathanial Lowe**  
**1B, \$4M**  
**2023 WS, Gold Glove,**  
**Silver Slugger**

	<b>Duran</b>	<b>Lowe</b>
<b>WAR</b>	10	11.5
<b>G</b>	353	686
<b>PA</b>	1432	2821
<b>H</b>	357	673
<b>HR</b>	34	89
<b>RBI</b>	142	329
<b>SB</b>	67	14
<b>BA</b>	0.272	0.272
<b>OBP</b>	0.326	0.356
<b>SLG</b>	0.457	0.433
<b>OPS</b>	0.782	0.789
<b>OPS+</b>	113	120

- **Over his career, Lowe had accumulated 63 home runs and 197 RBI with an OPS of 0.801, showcasing a more sustained level of productivity than Mr. Duran's 0.782 career OPS.**

**Midpoint: \$4 Million**

# WAR (CAREER)



Midpoint: \$4 Million



# NATHANIAL LOWE (CAREER)



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**1B, \$4M**

**2023 WS, Gold Glove, Silver Slugger**



**Jarren Duran**

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- **Jarren Duran had an impressive platform year; however, he has yet to demonstrate the consistency that Lowe maintained throughout his platform year, as evidenced by the disparity in their career stats.**

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# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES



**Austin Riley**

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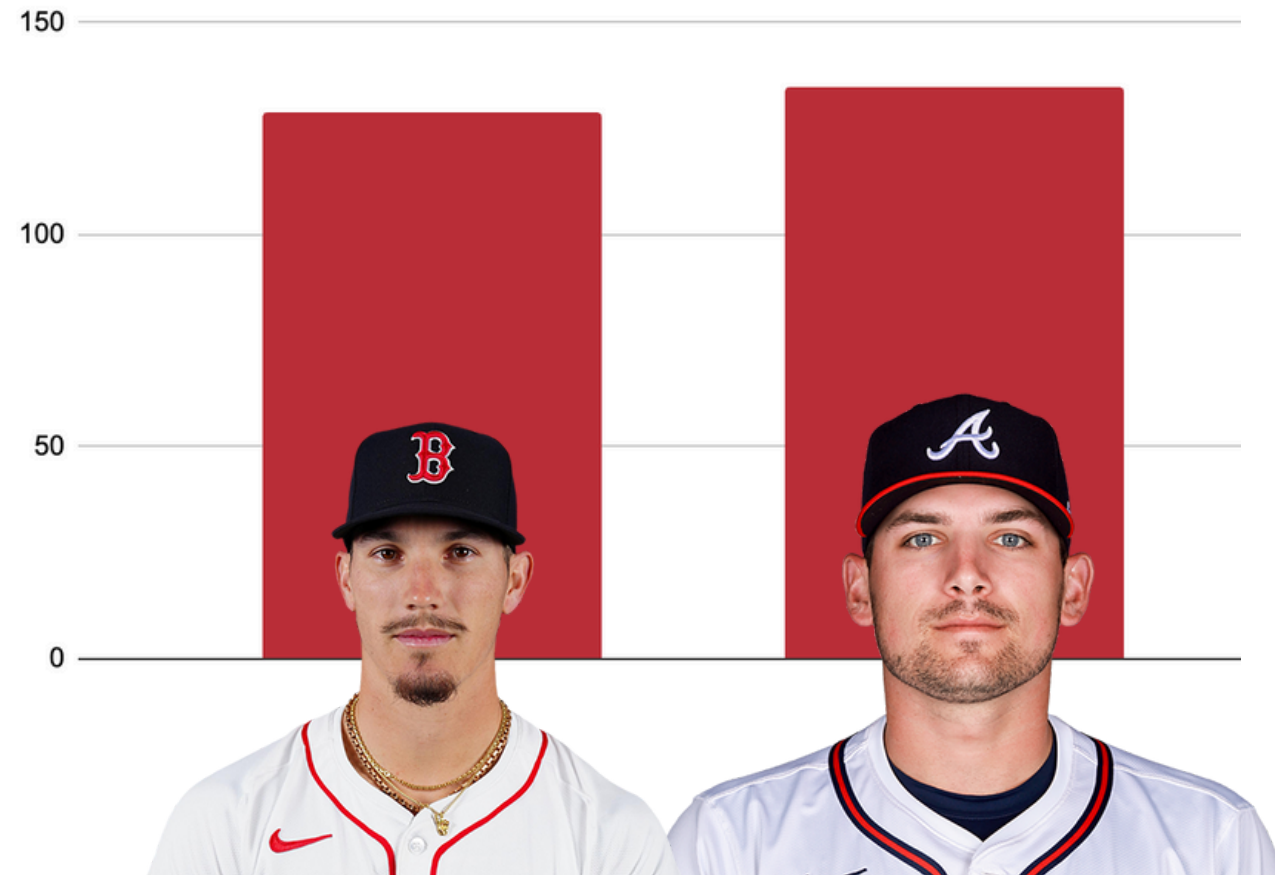
	<b>Duran</b>	<b>Riley</b>
<b>WAR</b>	8.7	6.3
<b>G</b>	160	160
<b>PA</b>	735	662
<b>H</b>	191	179
<b>HR</b>	21	33
<b>RBI</b>	75	107
<b>SB</b>	34	0
<b>BA</b>	0.285	0.303
<b>OBP</b>	0.342	0.367
<b>SLG</b>	0.492	0.531
<b>OPS</b>	0.834	0.898
<b>OPS+</b>	129	135

- Riley's 2021 platform season was nothing short of elite. He hit 0.303 with 33 home runs and 107 RBI, finishing with an OPS of 0.898 over 160 games. These numbers earned Riley a \$3,950,000 salary in arbitration (a Club win).**

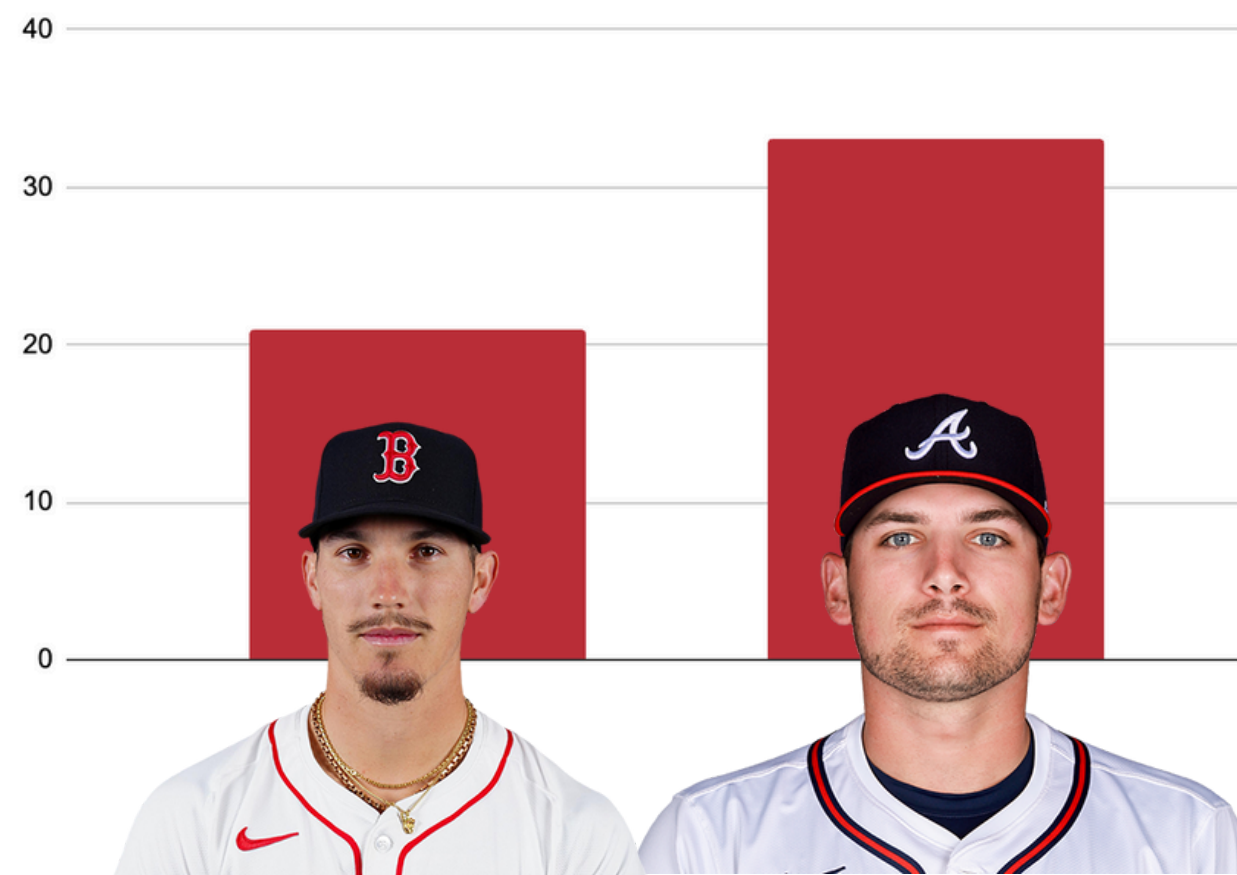
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# AUSTIN RILEY (PLATFORM)

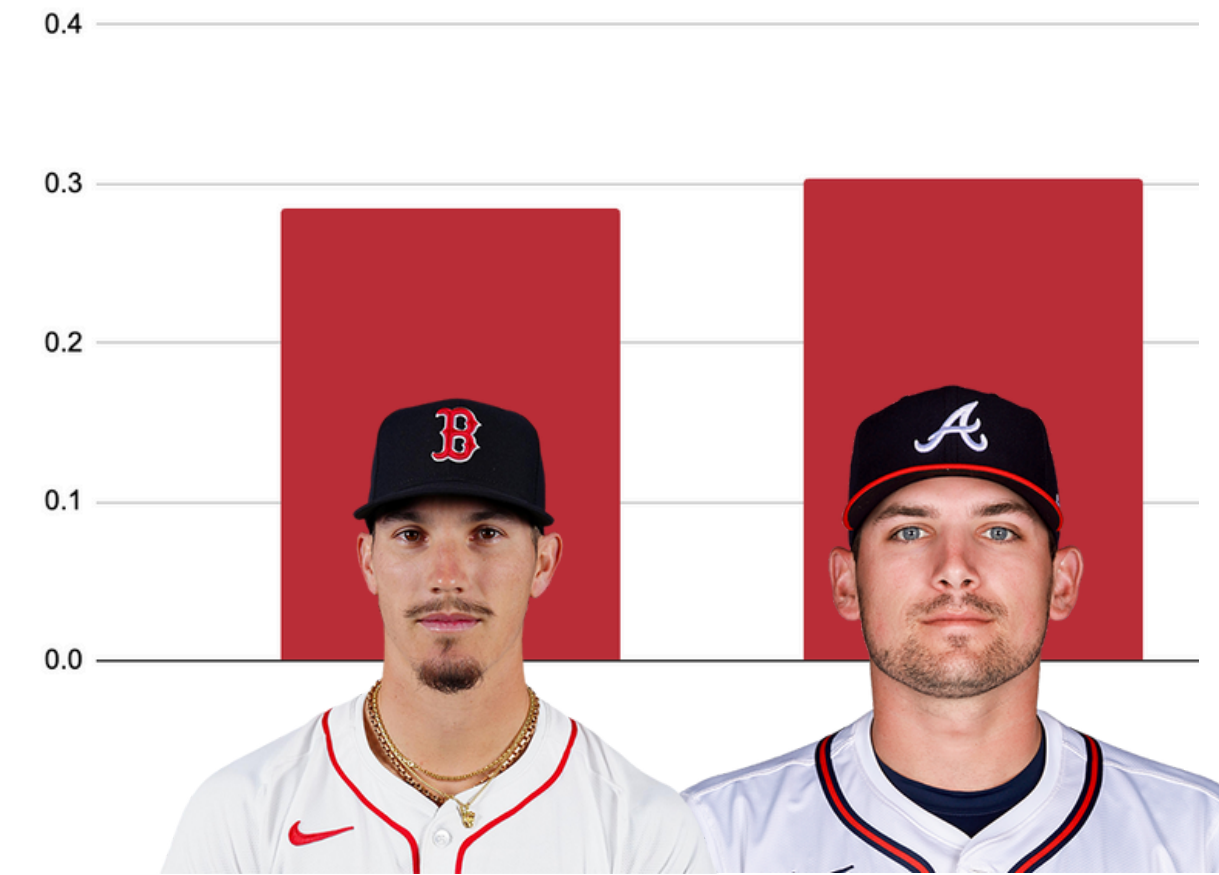
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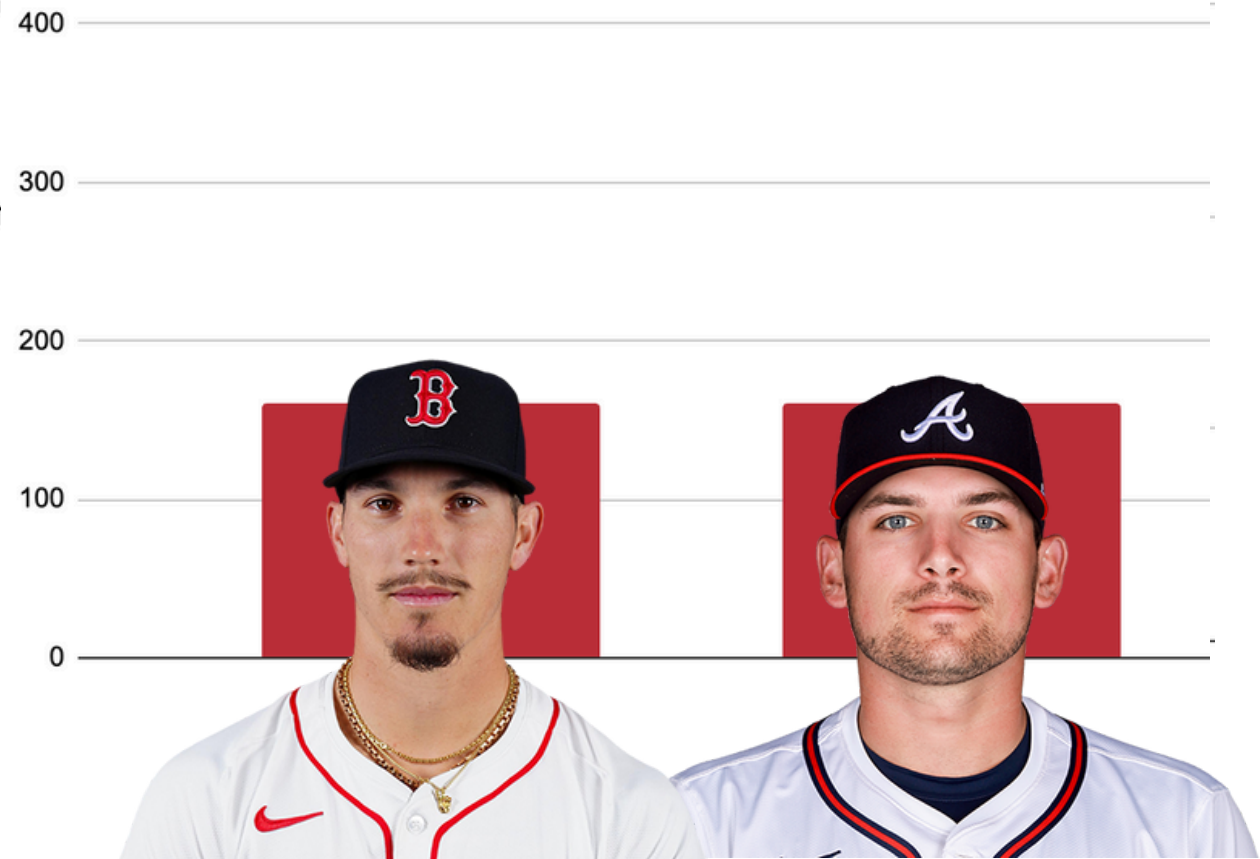
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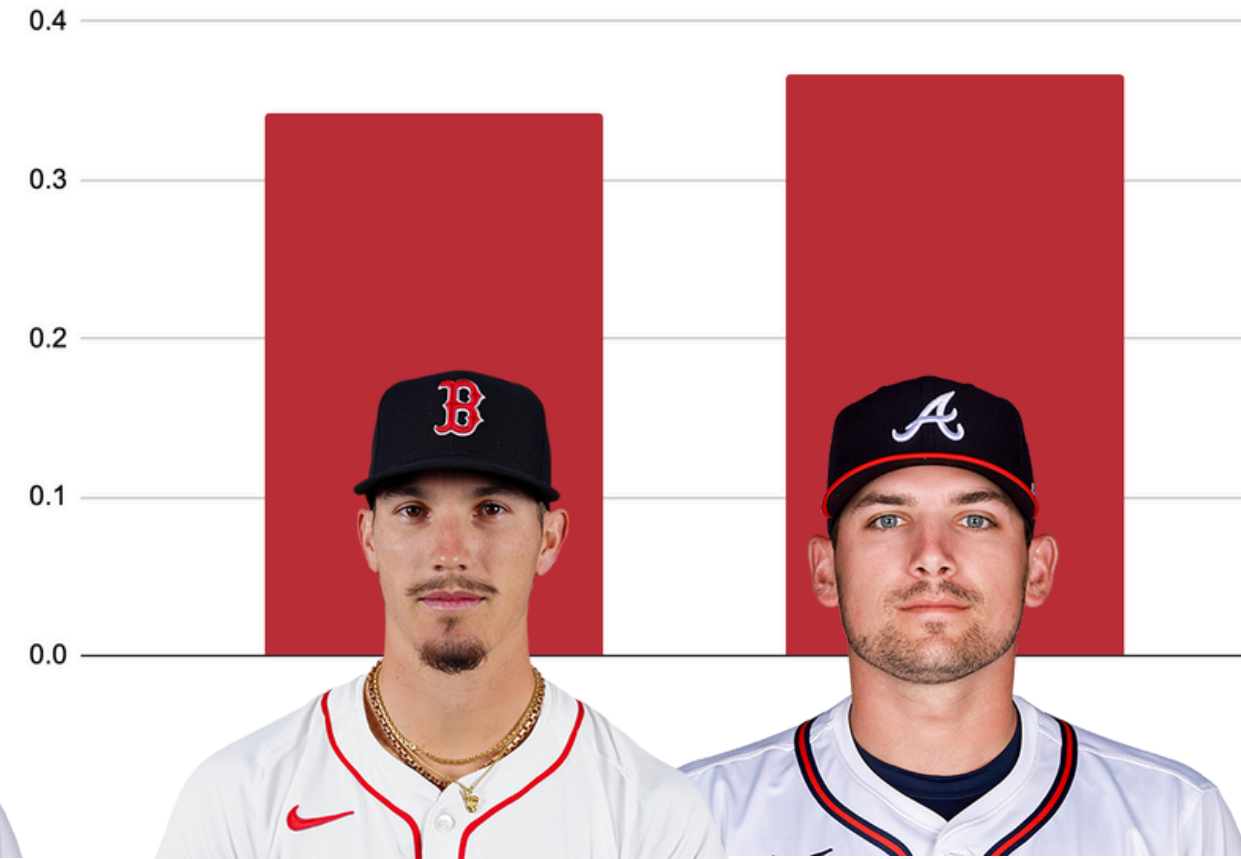
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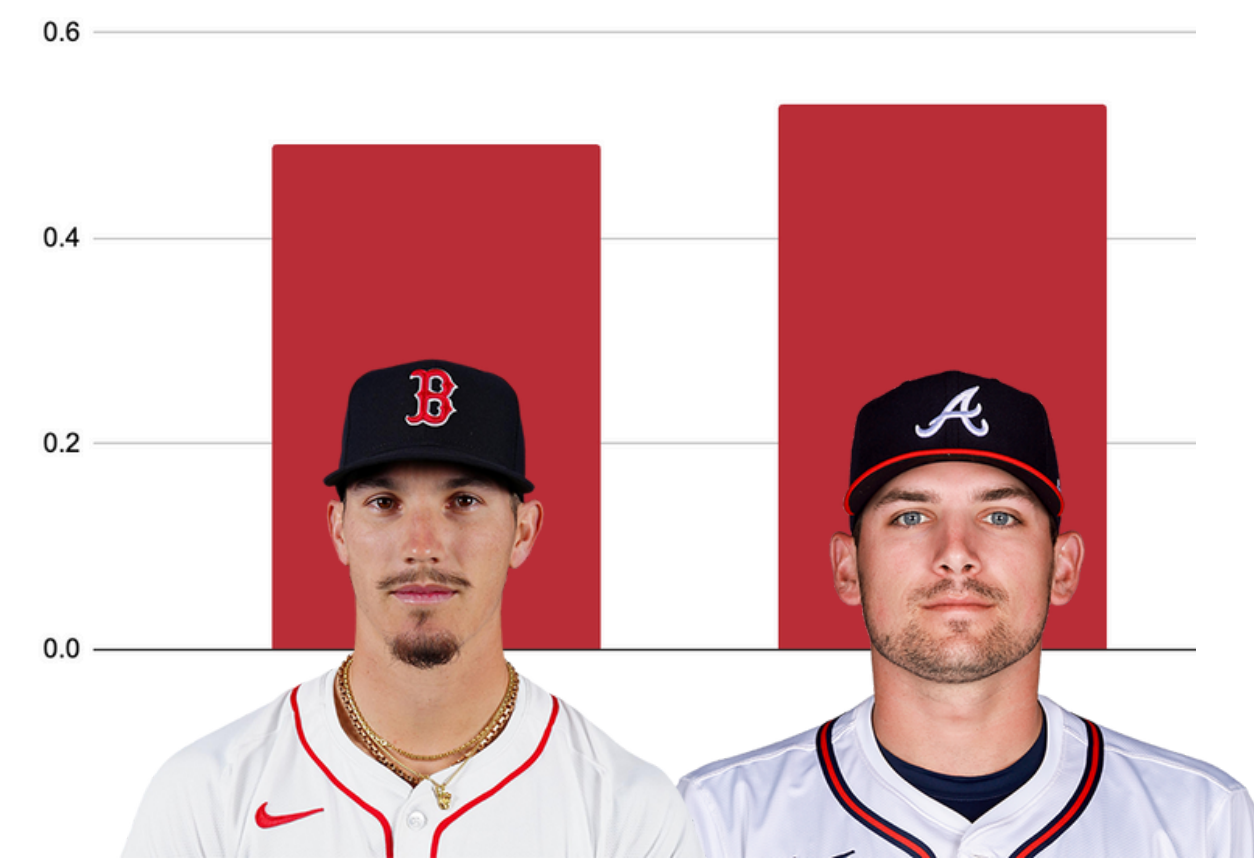
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OBP



SLG



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# AUSTIN RILEY (PLATFORM)



**Austin Riley**  
**3B/LF, \$3.9M (Club win)**  
**2x All-Star, 2021 WS,**  
**2x Silver Slugger**



**Jarren Duran**  
**CF, \$4M Midpoint**  
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- **Riley's ability to consistently drive in runs and his league-leading power metrics far surpass anything Mr. Duran has produced in his platform or career seasons.**
- **Riley also won similar awards to Mr. Duran both being top 10 in MVP voting in their platform seasons.**

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# CAREER

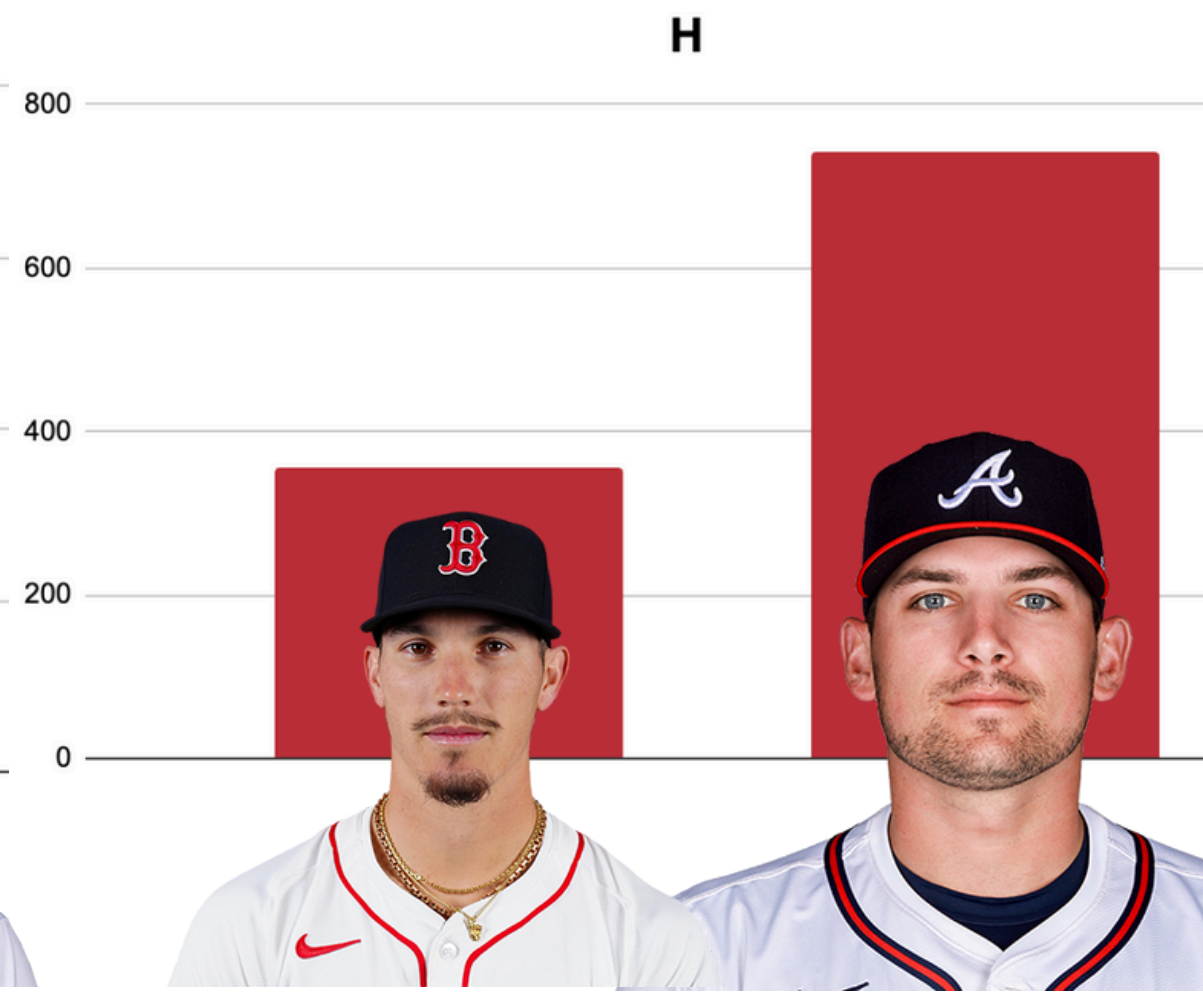
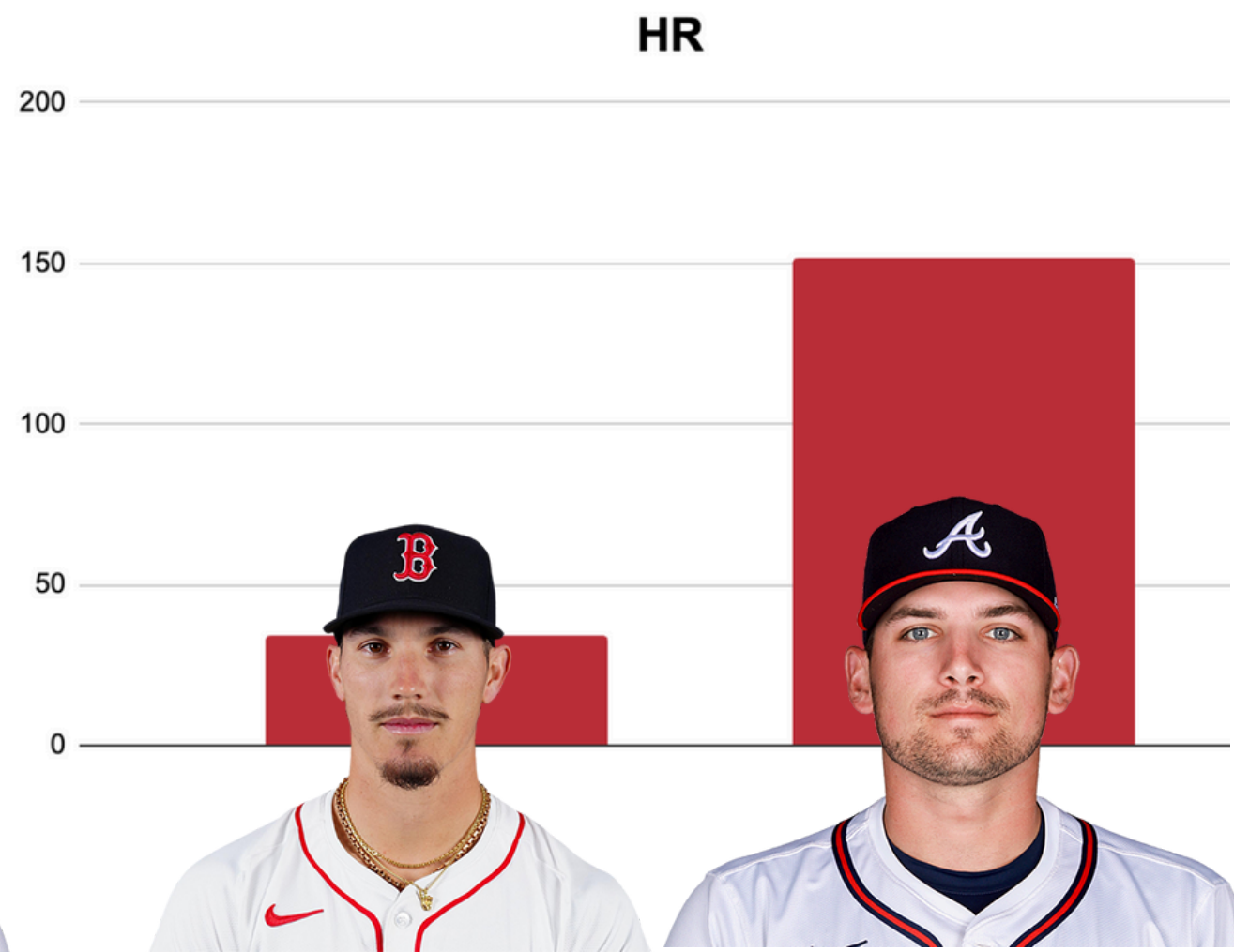
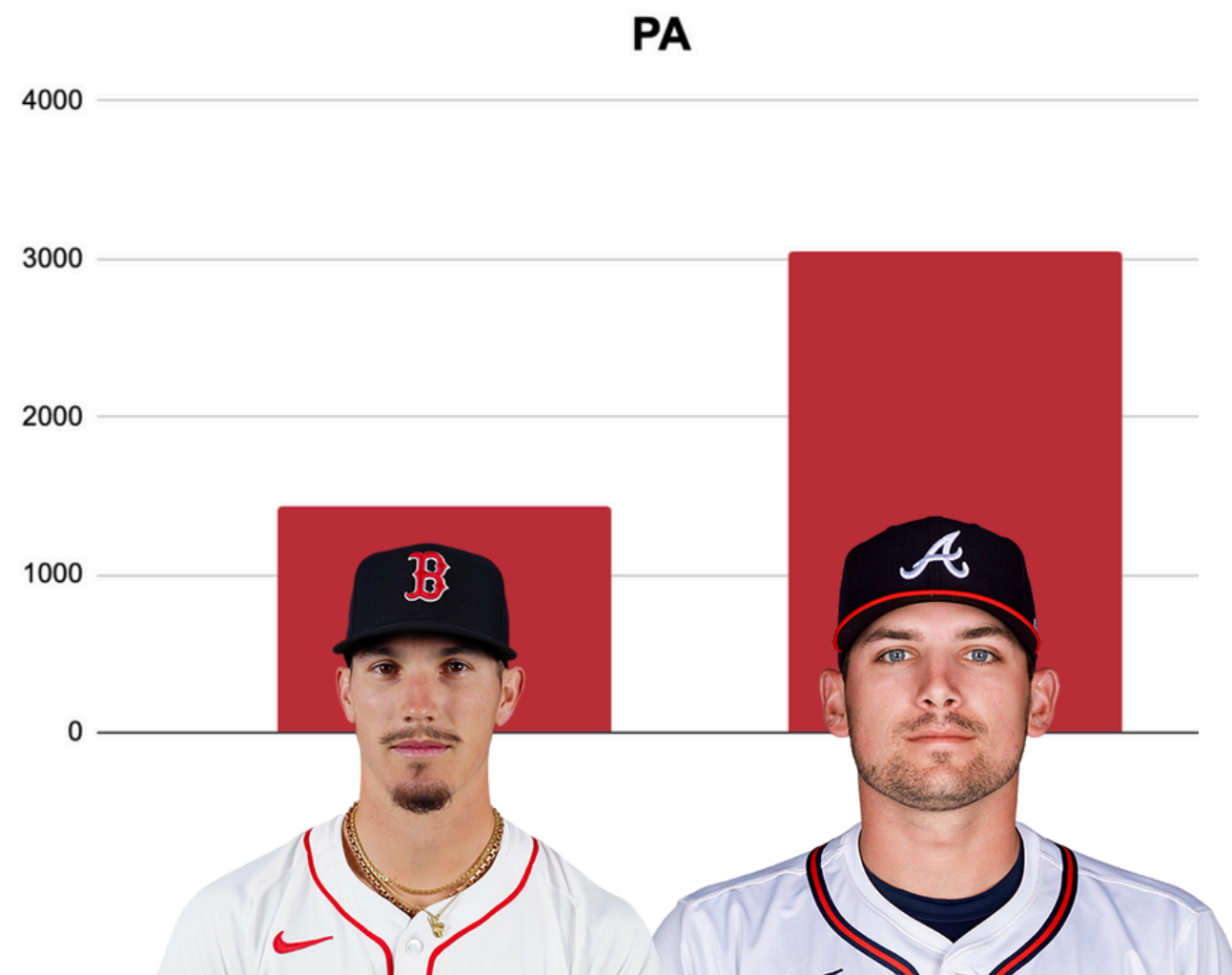
**Austin Riley**  
**3B/LF, \$3.9M (Club win)**  
**2x All-Star, 2021 WS,**  
**2x Silver Slugger**

	<b>Duran</b>	<b>Riley</b>
<b>WAR</b>	10	20.8
<b>G</b>	353	719
<b>PA</b>	1432	3042
<b>H</b>	357	742
<b>HR</b>	34	152
<b>RBI</b>	142	429
<b>SB</b>	67	5
<b>BA</b>	0.272	0.272
<b>OBP</b>	0.326	0.338
<b>SLG</b>	0.457	0.502
<b>OPS</b>	0.782	0.84
<b>OPS+</b>	113	124

- **Riley had amassed 152 career home runs and 429 RBI with a career OPS of .84.**
- **This level of productivity and consistency highlights Riley's elite status compared to Mr. Duran, who remains a step below in nearly all major offensive categories.**

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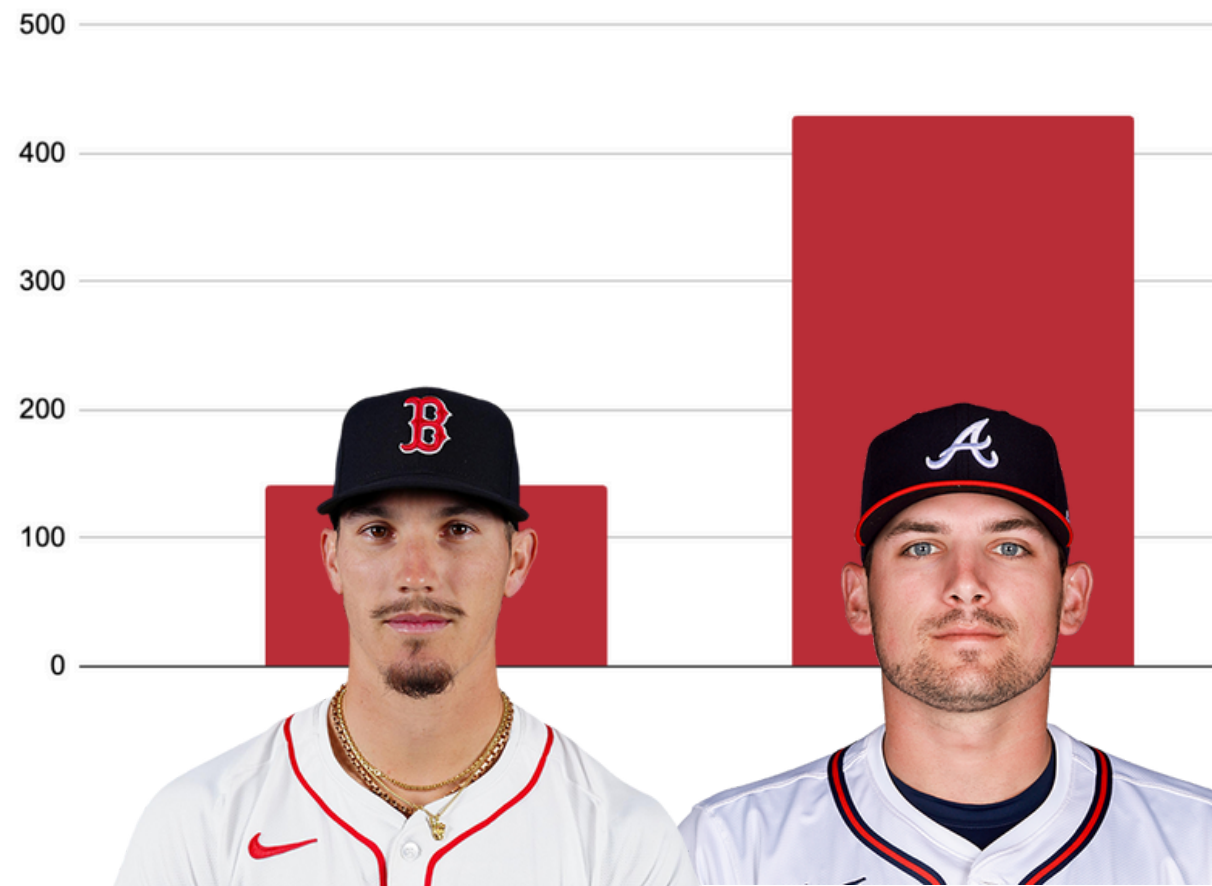


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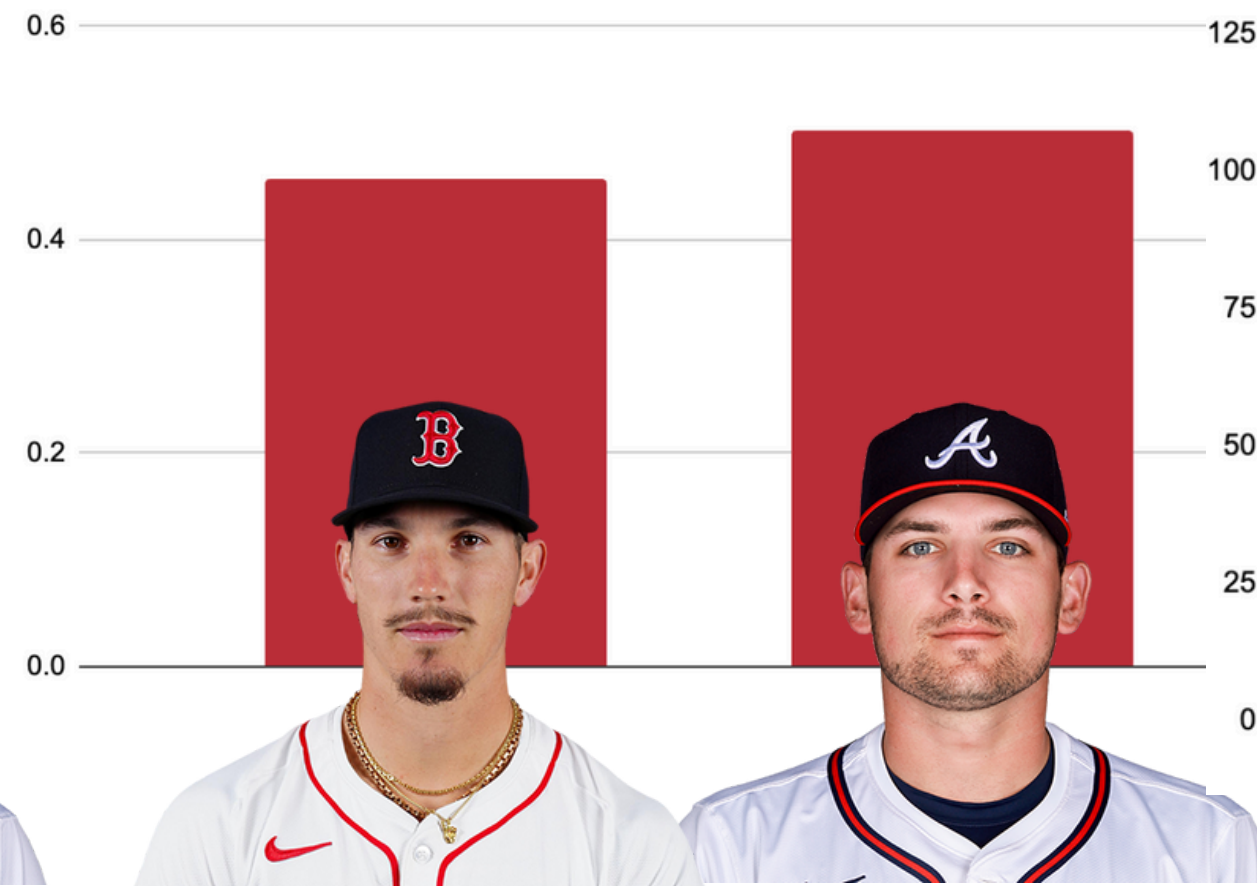


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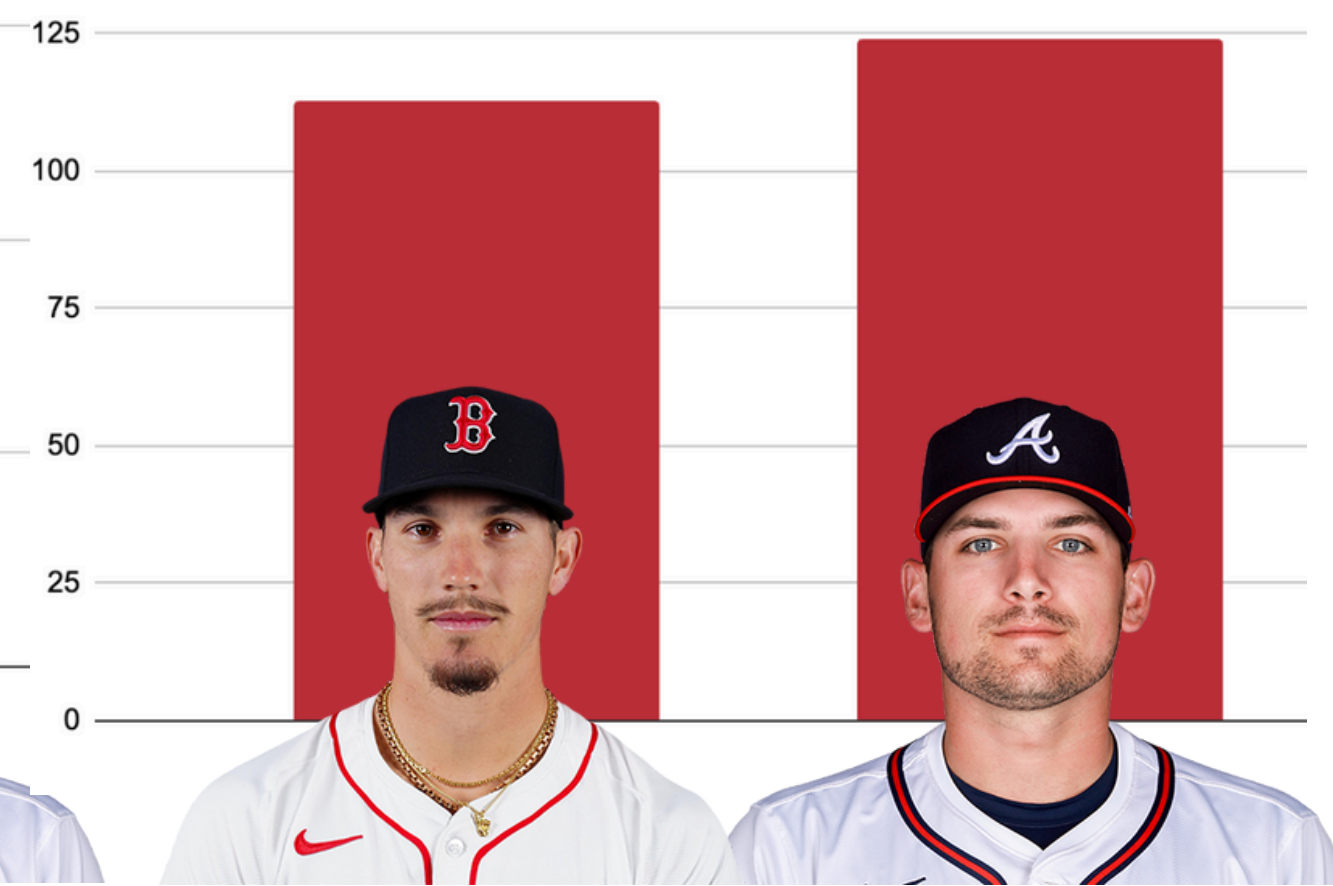
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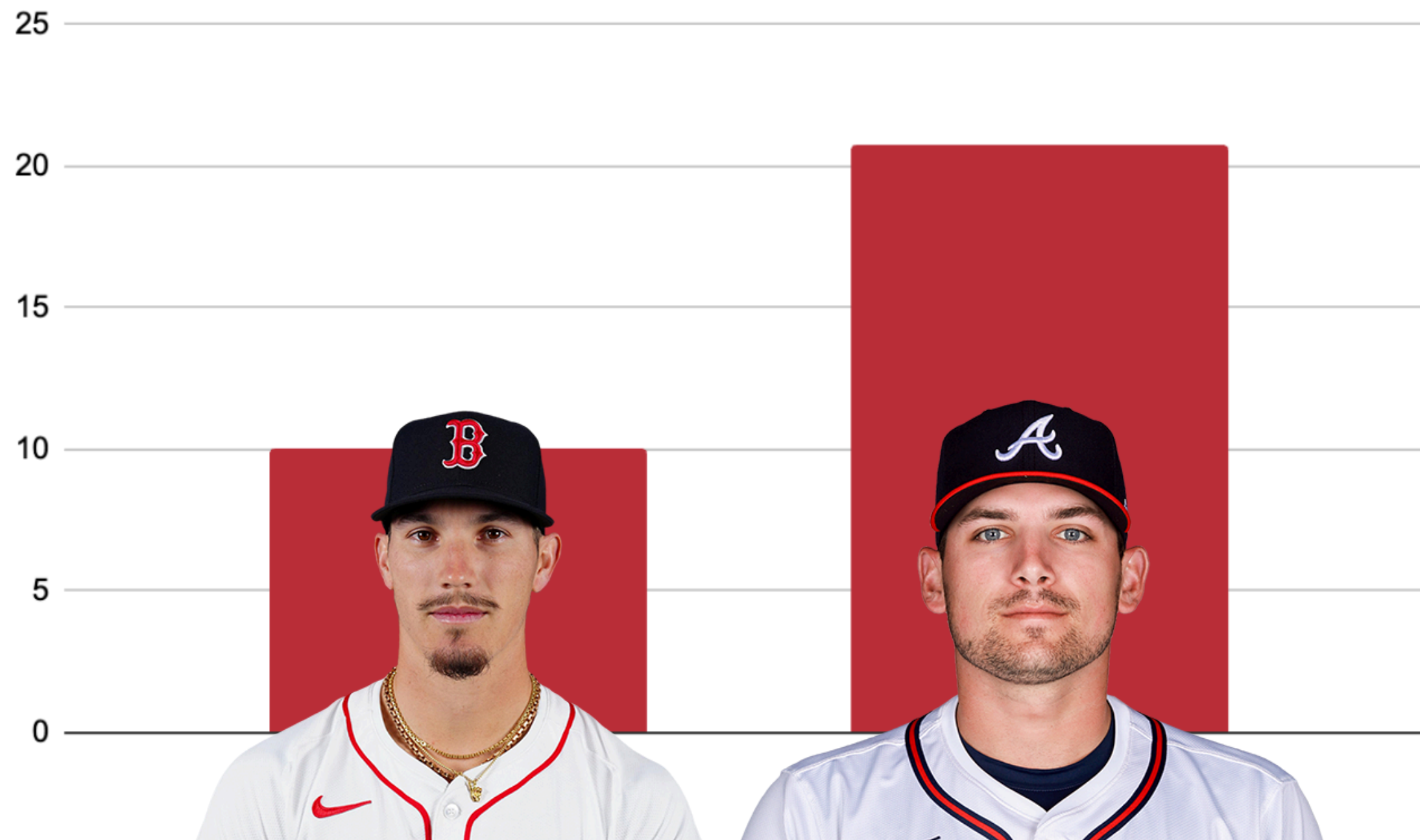
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# AUSTIN RILEY (CAREER WAR)

Career WAR



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# AUSTIN RILEY (CAREER)



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**Jarren Duran**  
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- Riley was more consistent in the years before his platform season and just as good as Mr. Duran during it, however, Riley lost a similar arbitration case leading him to make \$3,950,000 million.
- The precedent has been set that players at Mr. Duran's level and position make less than the midpoint of 4 million dollars in arbitration one.

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# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES



**Tyler O'Neill**  
**LF \$3.4M (Club win)**  
**2x Gold Glove**



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# PLATFORM YEAR

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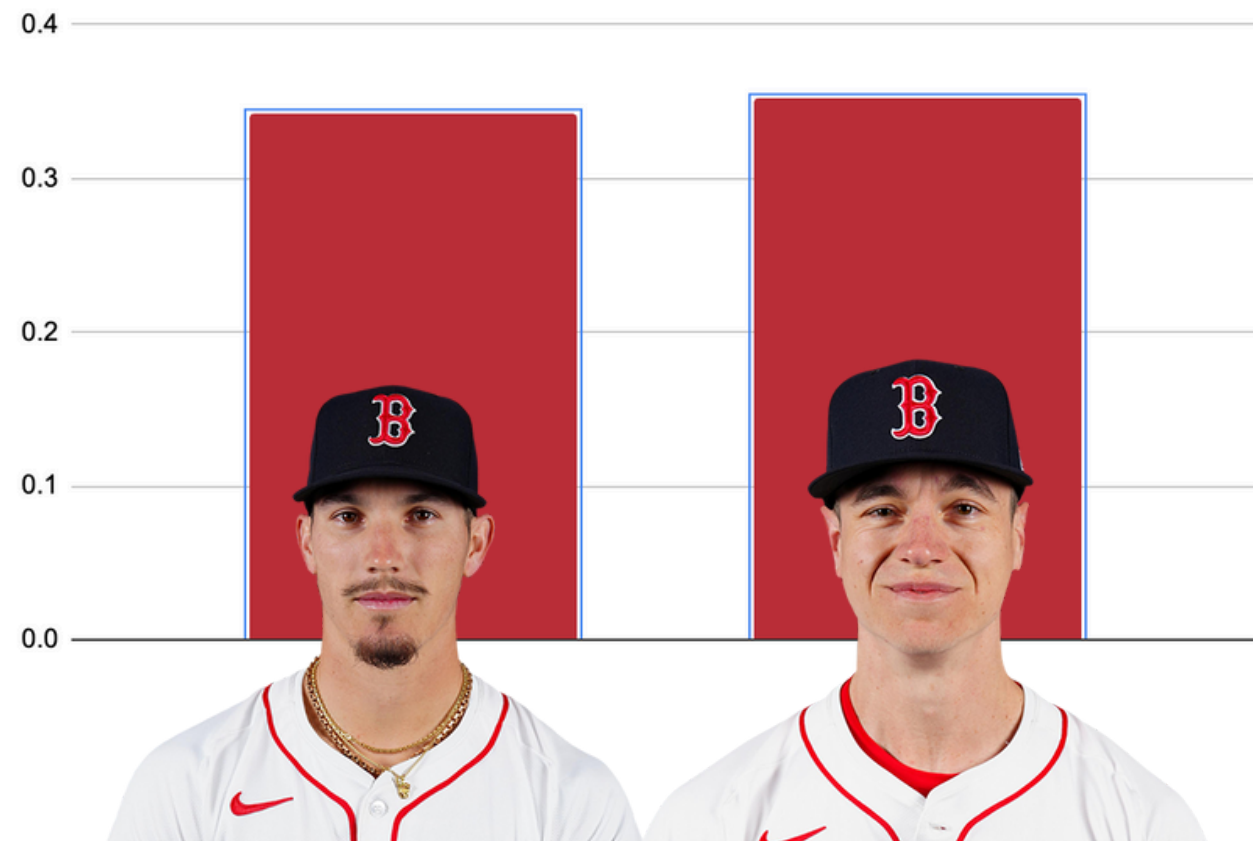
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<b>HR</b>	21	34
<b>RBI</b>	75	80
<b>SB</b>	34	15
<b>BA</b>	0.285	0.286
<b>OBP</b>	0.342	0.352
<b>SLG</b>	0.492	0.56
<b>OPS</b>	0.834	0.912
<b>OPS+</b>	129	148

- In 2021, O'Neill recorded a 0.286 batting average with 34 home runs, 80 RBI, and an OPS of 0.912 over 138 games.**
- His platform season demonstrated an elite combination of power and speed, as evidenced by his 15 stolen bases.**

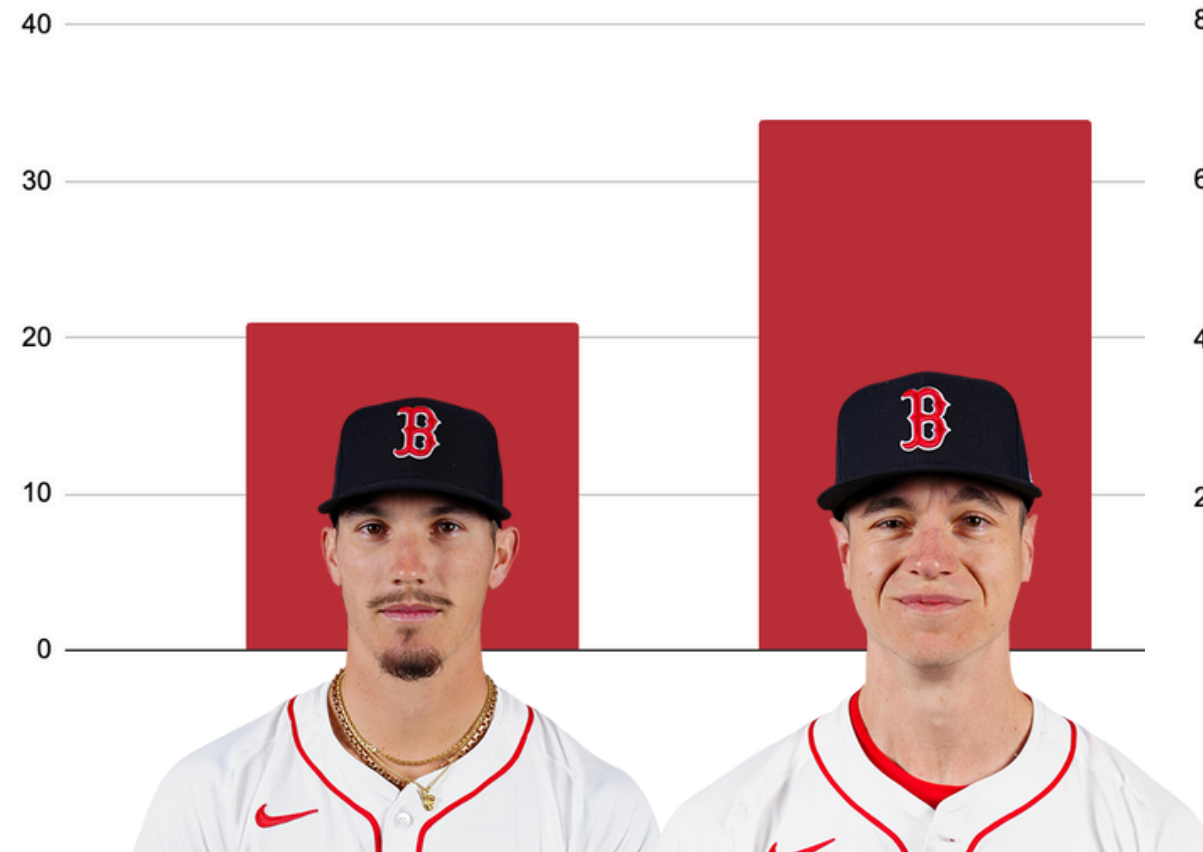
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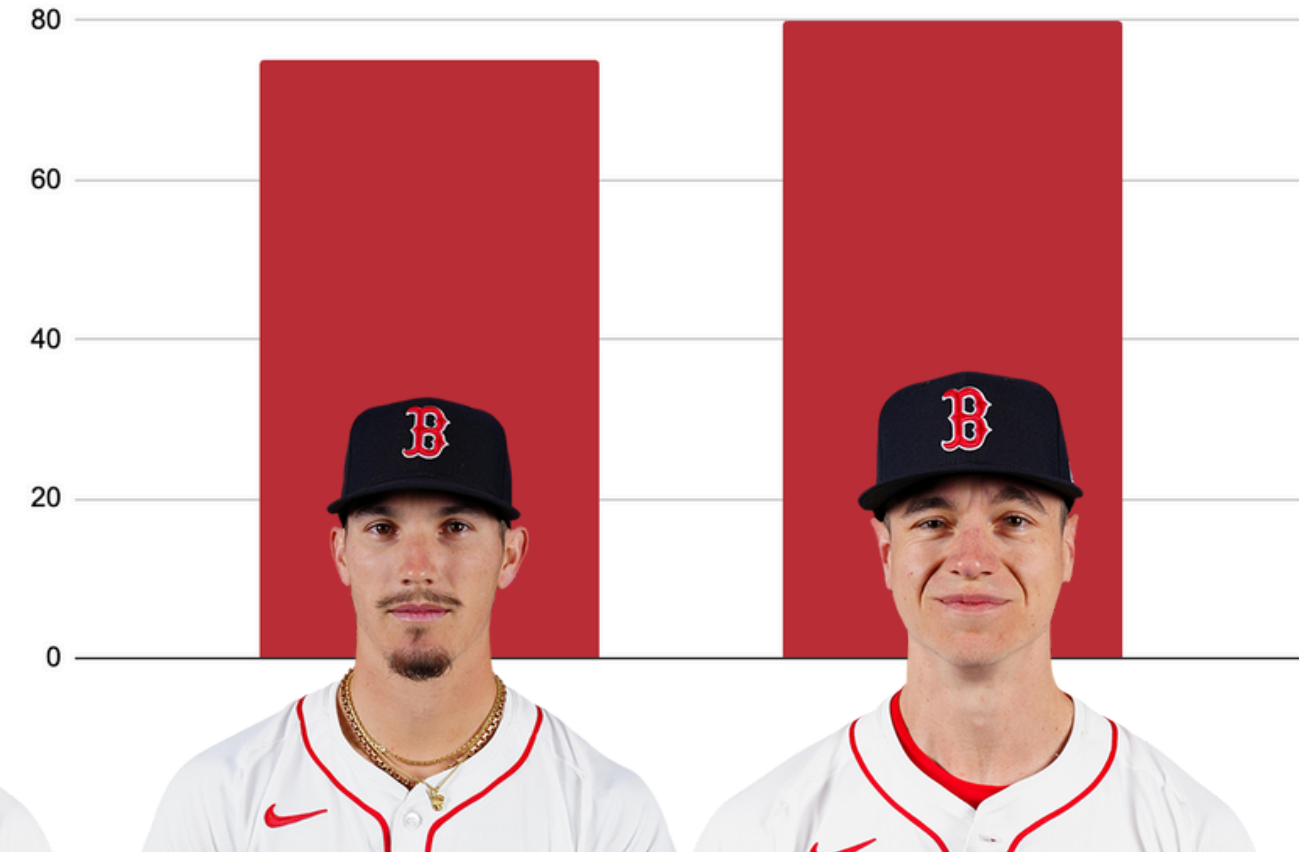
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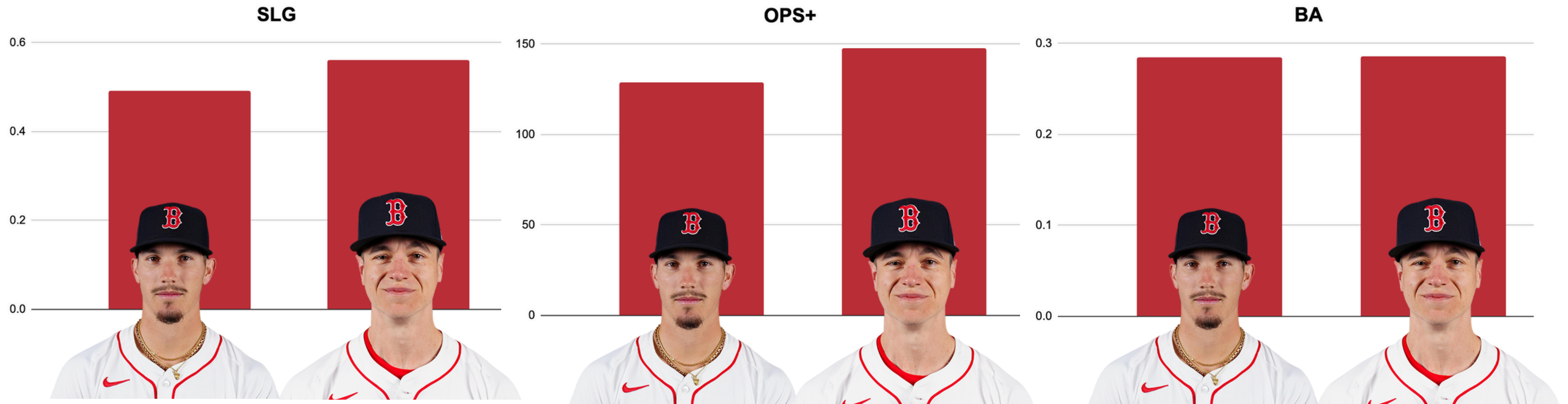


RBI



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# O'NEILL (PLATFORM)



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# O'NEILL (PLATFORM)



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**Jarren Duran**  
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- **Mr. Duran's platform year pales in comparison, with fewer home runs, RBI, and a lower OPS. O'Neil also won similar awards to Mr. Duran being top 10 in MVP voting and winning a Golden Glove.**

**Midpoint: \$4 Million**



# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES



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Despite these stellar numbers, O'Neill received a salary of \$3,400,000 in arbitration (a Club win), well below the midpoint.

**Midpoint: \$4 Million**

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# CAREER

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- O'Neill's demonstrated ability to contribute consistently over the years up to his platform season highlights the gap between him and Mr. Duran.**

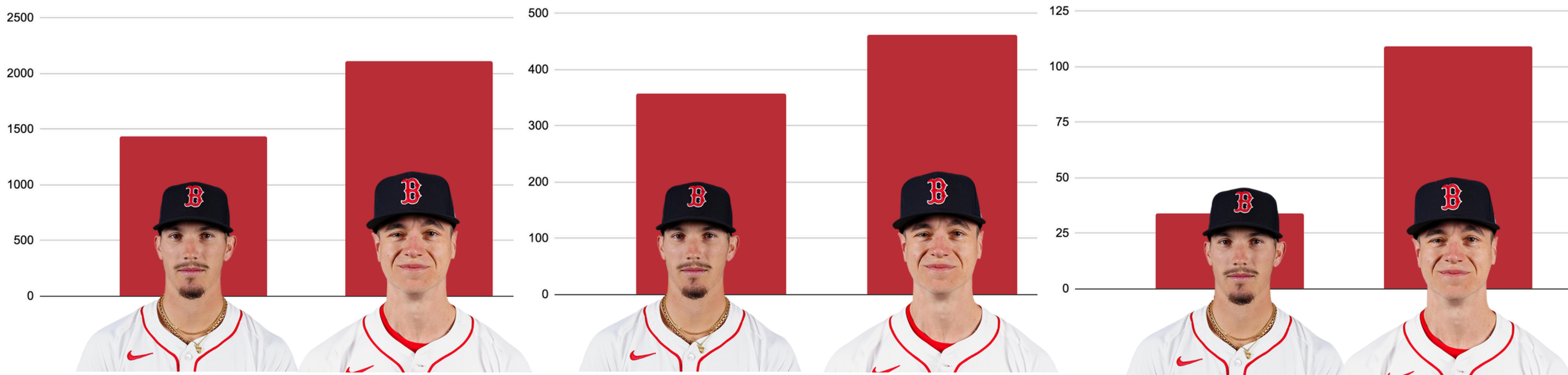
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# O'NEILL (CAREER)

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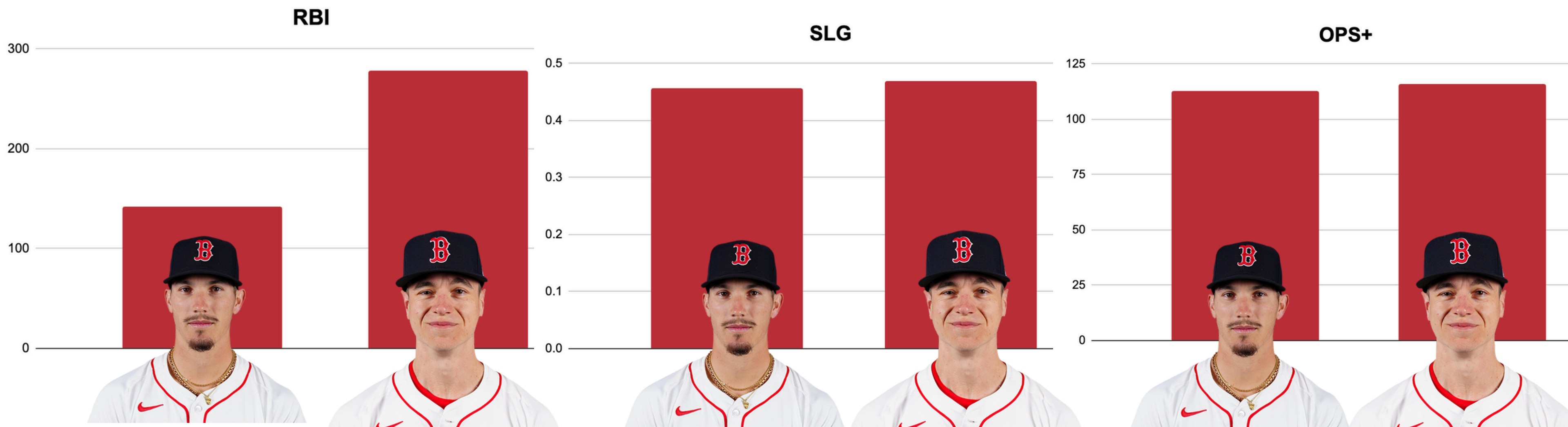
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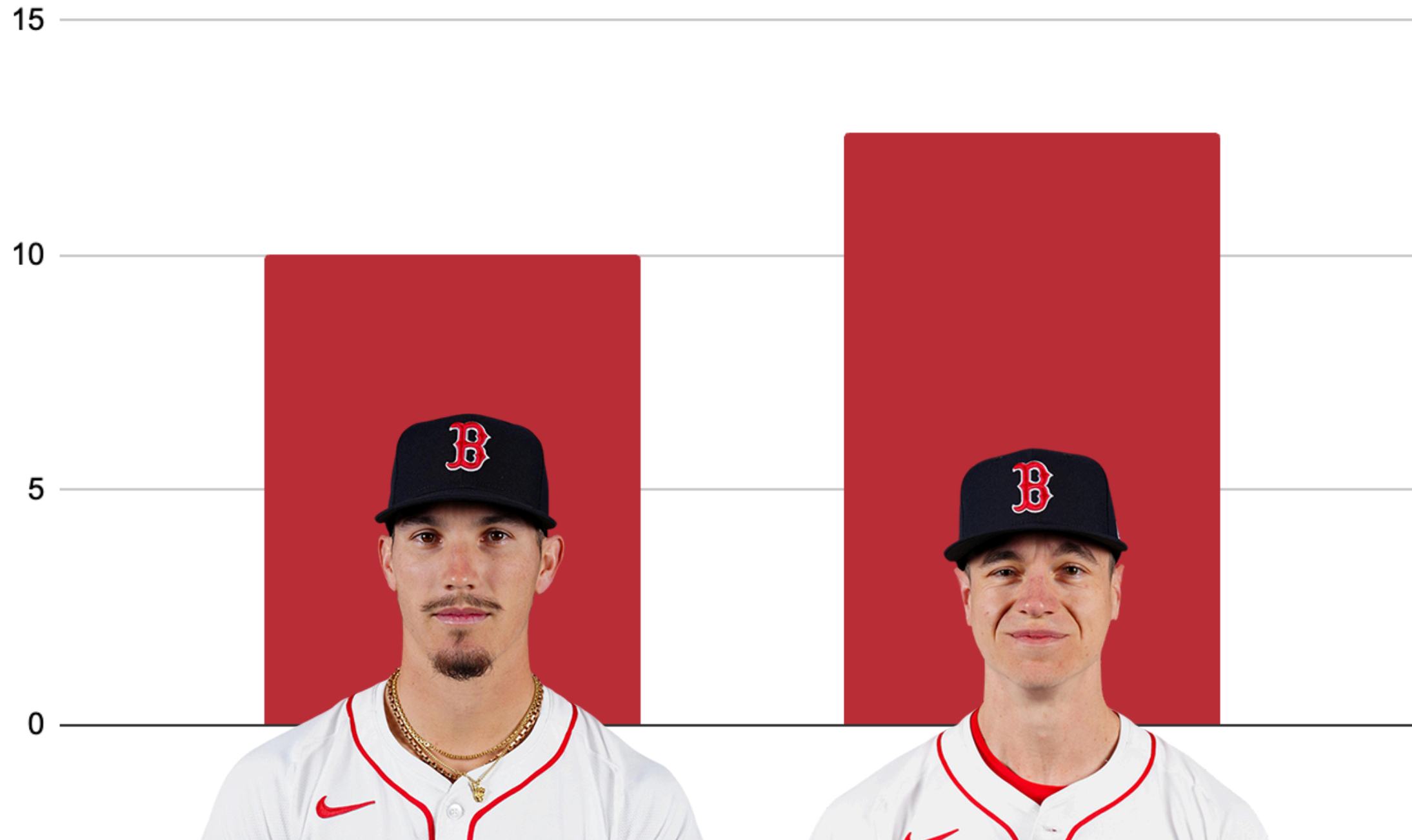
# O'NEILL (CAREER)



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# TYLER O'NEILL (CAREER WAR)

WAR (Career)



Midpoint: \$4 Million

# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES



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# TYLER O'NEILL (CAREER)



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**LF \$3.4M (Club win)**  
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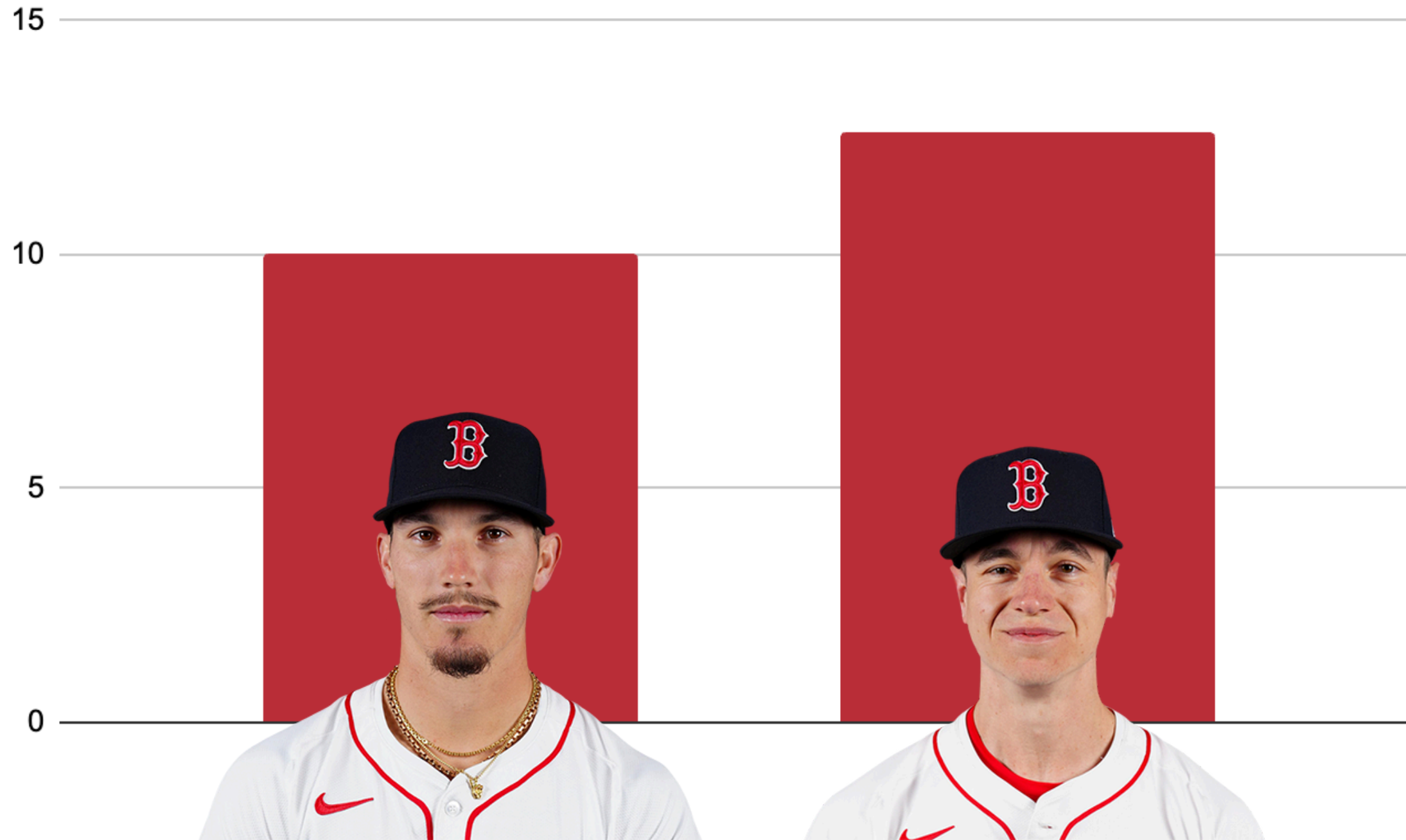
**Jarren Duran**  
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**1x All-Star, AS MVP**

- It is shown that outfielders on Mr. Duran's level with similar awards make less than the midpoint of \$4,000,000 in arbitration one.

**Midpoint: \$4 Million**

# WAR COMPARSION

WAR (Career)

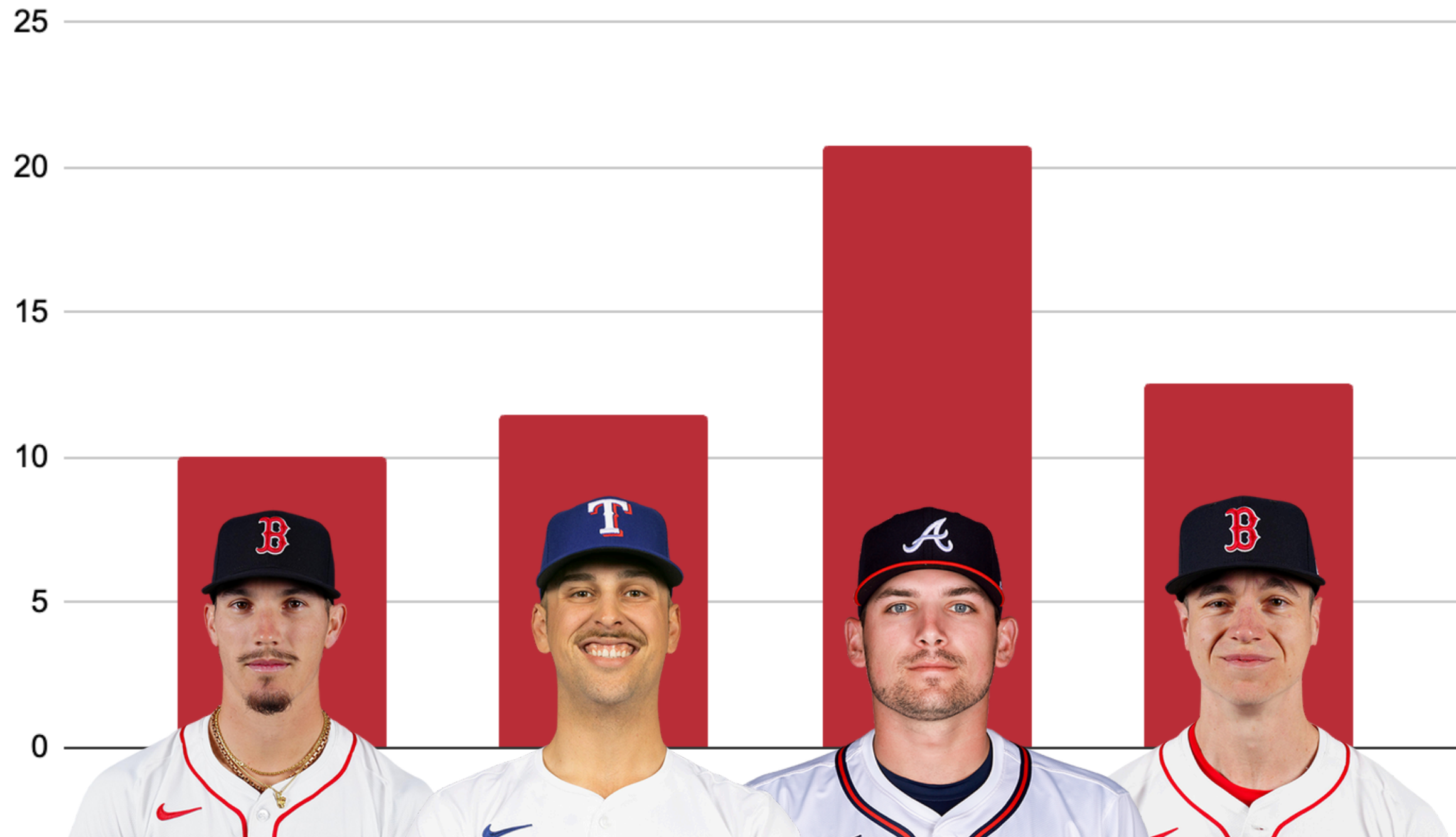


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# WAR COMPARSION

WAR (Career)



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# COMPARATIVE BASEBALL SALARIES

In arbitration, precedent matters.



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And the precedent here is clear: comparable players like Nathaniel Lowe (\$3.75M), Austin Riley (\$3.95M), and Tyler O'Neill (\$3.4M) – who outperformed Mr. Duran in key metrics – received salaries below \$4,000,000.

**Midpoint: \$4 Million**

# CONCLUSION





# REBUTTAL

Midpoint:  
\$4 Million





**Midpoint: \$4 Million**