



Looking back on our 2004 Fantasy Baseball Projections

Projecting the direction of fantasy production year over year on a player by player basis is the core to a successful fantasy season. This core forms the foundation of our service. A service that combines our historically successful mathematical projections model with qualitative insight from our staff of editors which includes first person scouting.

Below is a breakdown of Fantistics 2004 Preseason Baseball Projections. In 2004 we achieved results that are very reminiscent to our 5 year track record of prognosticating. We projected the correct direction as measured by [FPI](#), the most accurate indicator of of Fantasy Value (see article comparing FPI to

well known Stat indicators), **the correct direction, (either up or down) on close to 7 out of 10 MLB batters & close to 8 out of 10 MLB starting pitchers**. We believe that projecting the correct direction to a player's production is as valid as any indicator to fantasy success. This is not saying that every subscriber had the same fantasy success, as one's fate may have been sealed by selecting several players who did not live up to expectations, sustained production disrupting injuries, or encountered drops in playing time (something that FPI does not measure).

We look forward to your continued success in 2005.

Grid Explanation: The grids below highlight the relevant FPI (Prior season, 2004 Projection, and 2004 year end actual), and the differences. Column (A-B) compares the prior year's FPI (A) with the Preseason Projection (B). Column (C-A) compares the Actual 2004 final year stat (C) with the prior year 2003 (A). If the players fantasy production increased or decreased and matched our projected direction, then we consider that a "Correct" direction with our projection, conversely if the Actual difference is different than the Projected difference, then we were "Wrong" with our projection.

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Fantistics Correctly Predicted the Fantasy Direction on 7 out of 10 Hitters in 2004

Year 2004 - Projecting Top 150 Hitters - Directional (based on FPI)

L	Pos	Name	(A) Prior	(B) Proj	(A)-(B)	(C) Actual	(C)-(A)	Projection
AL OF	Suzuki,I.		0.69	0.66	(0.03)	0.83	0.14	WRONG
NL OF	Pierre, J.		0.71	0.69	(0.02)	0.71	(0.00)	CORRECT
AL SS	Young, M.		0.64	0.66	0.02	0.69	0.05	CORRECT
NL 2B	Loretta,M.		0.66	0.62	(0.04)	0.75	0.09	WRONG
AL OF	Guerrero,V.		0.88	0.95	0.07	0.87	(0.01)	WRONG
AL SS	Tejada,M.		0.63	0.58	(0.05)	0.72	0.09	WRONG
NL SS	Wilson,J.		0.44	0.49	0.05	0.63	0.19	CORRECT
NL 3B	Beltre,A.		0.47	0.50	0.03	0.87	0.40	CORRECT
NL 1B	Pujols, A.		0.97	0.97	0.00	0.91	(0.06)	CORRECT
NL SS	Izturis, C.		0.39	0.38	(0.01)	0.58	0.19	WRONG
AL OF	Kotsay,M.		0.54	0.62	0.08	0.68	0.14	CORRECT
NL 1B	Helton,T.		0.95	0.95	0.00	0.95	0.00	CORRECT

Fantistics Correctly Predicted the Fantasy Direction on 8 out of 10 Pitchers in 2004

Year 2004 - Projecting Top 100 Pitchers - Directional (based on FPI)

L	Pos	Name	(A) Prior	(B) Proj	(A)-(B)	(C) Actual	(C)-(A)	Projection
NL	P	Hernandez,L.	1.56	1.49	(0.07)	1.53	(0.03)	CORRECT
NL	P	Johnson,Ra.	1.05	1.58	0.53	2.32	1.27	CORRECT
AL	P	Buehrle,M.	1.23	1.49	0.26	1.34	0.11	CORRECT
NL	P	Oswalt,R.	1.76	2.03	0.27	1.69	(0.07)	WRONG
NL	P	Sheets,B.	1.26	1.28	0.02	1.90	0.64	CORRECT
AL	P	Santana,J.	2.09	1.60	(0.49)	2.42	0.33	WRONG
AL	P	Schilling,C.	1.85	1.85	0.00	1.97	0.12	CORRECT
AL	P	Mulder,M.	1.73	1.91	0.18	1.45	(0.28)	WRONG
NL	P	Schmidt,J.	2.42	1.90	(0.52)	2.23	(0.19)	CORRECT
NL	P	Pavano,C.	1.43	1.53	0.10	1.81	0.38	CORRECT
NL	P	Weaver,J.	0.57	1.15	0.58	1.45	0.88	CORRECT
AL	P	Radke,B.	1.12	1.42	0.30	1.50	0.38	CORRECT

NL SS	Rollins,J.	0.54	0.62	0.08	0.68	0.14	CORRECT	AL	P	Garland, J.	1.21	1.07	(0.14)	1.12	(0.09)	CORRECT
AL OF	Damon,J.	0.64	0.65	0.01	0.73	0.09	CORRECT	AL	P	Maroth,M.	0.54	0.86	0.32	1.04	0.50	CORRECT
AL SS	Jeter,D.	0.70	0.77	0.07	0.68	(0.02)	WRONG	AL	P	Martinez,P.	2.33	2.20	(0.13)	1.73	(0.60)	CORRECT
AL 3B	Mora,M.	0.77	0.66	(0.11)	0.85	0.08	WRONG	AL	P	Ponson,S.	1.62	1.57	(0.05)	0.73	(0.89)	CORRECT
NL 1B	Casey,S.	0.59	0.60	0.01	0.75	0.16	CORRECT	AL	P	Westbrook, J.	1.17	1.28	0.11	1.62	0.45	CORRECT
AL OF	Crawford,C.	0.62	0.67	0.05	0.75	0.13	CORRECT	NL	P	Clemens,R.	1.65	1.43	(0.22)	2.15	0.50	WRONG
AL C	Lopez,J.	0.89	0.67	(0.22)	0.70	(0.19)	CORRECT	AL	P	Zito, B.	1.89	2.04	0.15	1.19	(0.70)	WRONG
NL C	Kendall,J.	0.65	0.64	(0.01)	0.64	(0.01)	CORRECT	NL	P	Maddux,G.	1.51	1.50	(0.01)	1.36	(0.15)	CORRECT
AL OF	Lee,C.	0.68	0.69	0.01	0.73	0.05	WRONG	NL	P	Glavine,T.	0.92	1.20	0.28	1.44	0.52	CORRECT
AL OF	Winn,R.	0.64	0.72	0.08	0.63	(0.01)	WRONG	AL	P	Rogers,K.	1.07	0.92	(0.15)	1.05	(0.02)	CORRECT
NL OF	Biggio,C.	0.55	0.53	(0.02)	0.61	0.06	WRONG	NL	P	Lidle, C.	0.97	1.29	0.32	1.18	0.21	CORRECT
AL DH	Huff, A.	0.74	0.57	(0.17)	0.68	(0.06)	CORRECT	AL	P	Garcia,F.	1.22	1.47	0.25	1.62	0.40	CORRECT
NL OF	Cabrera,M.	0.57	0.62	0.05	0.70	0.13	CORRECT	NL	P	Zambrano,C.	1.77	1.86	0.09	1.95	0.18	CORRECT
NL OF	Alou,M.	0.63	0.71	0.08	0.74	0.11	CORRECT	AL	P	Colon,B.	1.57	1.71	0.14	1.12	(0.45)	WRONG
AL C	Rodriguez,I.	0.68	0.68	0.00	0.76	0.08	CORRECT	AL	P	Escobar,K.	1.40	1.47	0.07	1.51	0.11	CORRECT
AL OF	Ramirez,M.	0.86	0.93	0.07	0.83	(0.03)	WRONG	NL	P	Webb,B.	2.01	1.78	(0.23)	1.22	(0.79)	CORRECT
AL DH	Ortiz,D.	0.76	0.79	0.03	0.80	0.04	CORRECT	AL	P	Drese,R.	0.01	#N/A	#N/A	1.25	1.24	
NL 3B	Lowell,M.	0.69	0.65	(0.04)	0.67	(0.02)	CORRECT	NL	P	Davis,D.	0.75	1.09	0.34	1.60	0.85	CORRECT
AL 2B	Roberts, B.	0.58	0.54	(0.04)	0.59	0.01	WRONG	NL	P	Ortiz,R.	1.89	1.77	(0.12)	1.30	(0.59)	CORRECT
NL 3B	Ramirez,Ar.	0.58	0.62	0.04	0.78	0.20	CORRECT	NL	P	Lawrence,B.	1.33	1.33	0.00	1.08	(0.25)	WRONG
NL 3B	Hillenbrand,S.	0.57	0.66	0.09	0.63	0.06	CORRECT	AL	P	Silva, C.	1.48	1.48	0.00	0.94	(0.54)	WRONG
NL 1B	Overbay,L.	0.59	0.63	0.04	0.70	0.11	CORRECT	NL	P	Trachsel,S.	1.40	1.53	0.13	1.20	(0.20)	WRONG
AL OF	Matsui, H.	0.60	0.58	(0.02)	0.74	0.14	WRONG	NL	P	Estes,S.	0.51	1.22	0.71	0.88	0.37	CORRECT
NL OF	Giles,B.	0.78	0.84	0.06	0.69	(0.09)	WRONG	NL	P	Morris,M.	1.60	1.71	0.11	1.24	(0.36)	WRONG
NL OF	Abreu,B.	0.77	0.81	0.04	0.91	0.14	CORRECT	AL	P	Moyer,J.	1.81	1.54	(0.27)	0.76	(1.05)	CORRECT
AL 3B	Rodriguez,A.	0.84	0.89	0.05	0.77	(0.07)	WRONG	NL	P	Marquis, J.	1.51	1.39	(0.12)	1.21	(0.30)	CORRECT
NL OF	Berkman,L.	0.75	0.83	0.08	0.87	0.12	CORRECT	NL	P	Jennings,J.	0.74	1.17	0.43	0.58	(0.16)	WRONG
AL 3B	Blalock,H.	0.69	0.68	(0.01)	0.66	(0.03)	CORRECT	NL	P	Milton,E.	2.06	1.50	(0.56)	1.17	(0.89)	CORRECT
AL OF	Figgins,C.	0.61	0.62	0.01	0.68	0.07	CORRECT	NL	P	Benson,K.	0.62	1.32	0.70	1.45	0.83	CORRECT
NL OF	Finley,S.	0.70	0.68	(0.02)	0.63	(0.07)	CORRECT	AL	P	Franklin,R.	1.36	1.50	0.14	0.73	(0.63)	WRONG
NL 2B	Womack,T.	0.35	0.48	0.13	0.64	0.29	CORRECT	NL	P	Eaton,A.	1.39	1.72	0.33	1.21	(0.18)	WRONG
AL 2B	Soriano,A.	0.74	0.76	0.02	0.64	(0.10)	WRONG	AL	P	Batista,M.	1.48	1.57	0.09	1.16	(0.32)	WRONG
AL OF	Ford,L.	0.86	0.58	(0.28)	0.70	(0.16)	CORRECT	AL	P	Lackey,J.	0.90	1.21	0.31	1.17	0.27	CORRECT
AL 2B	Belliard,R.	0.59	0.54	(0.05)	0.59	(0.00)	CORRECT	NL	P	Thomson,J.	1.19	1.42	0.23	1.38	0.19	CORRECT
NL SS	Renteria,E.	0.82	0.76	(0.06)	0.58	(0.24)	CORRECT	AL	P	Vazquez,J.	1.76	1.93	0.17	1.30	(0.46)	WRONG
NL 1B	Lee,D.	0.74	0.69	(0.05)	0.68	(0.06)	CORRECT	AL	P	Lilly,T.	1.29	1.48	0.19	1.52	0.23	CORRECT
NL OF	Patterson,C.	0.72	0.67	(0.05)	0.63	(0.09)	CORRECT	NL	P	Willis,D.	1.74	1.68	(0.06)	1.21	(0.53)	CORRECT
AL OF	Sheffield,G.	0.91	0.79	(0.12)	0.74	(0.17)	CORRECT	AL	P	Johnson,Ja.	0.88	1.16	0.28	0.93	0.05	CORRECT
AL OF	Guillen,J.	0.73	0.68	(0.05)	0.65	(0.08)	CORRECT	AL	P	Robertson,N.	0.44	1.24	0.80	1.09	0.65	CORRECT
NL SS	Guillen,C.	0.58	0.58	0.00	0.79	0.21	CORRECT	NL	P	Perez,Od.	1.22	1.43	0.21	1.60	0.38	CORRECT
AL SS	Vizquel,O.	0.49	0.52	0.03	0.62	0.13	CORRECT	NL	P	Perez,OI.	0.68	1.31	0.63	1.93	1.25	CORRECT
AL OF	Lawton,M.	0.58	0.63	0.05	0.65	0.07	CORRECT	NL	P	Wells,D.	1.34	1.41	0.07	1.51	0.17	CORRECT
NL 2B	Castillo,L.	0.65	0.64	(0.01)	0.61	(0.04)	CORRECT	AL	P	Lohse,K.	1.28	1.25	(0.03)	0.53	(0.75)	CORRECT
AL DH	Durazo,E.	0.61	0.68	0.07	0.75	0.14	CORRECT	NL	P	Tomko,B.	0.65	0.98	0.33	1.42	0.77	CORRECT

							Total Accuracy	75%
NL 3B	Batista,T.	0.42	0.48	0.06	0.52	0.10	CORRECT	
AL 1B	Erstad,D.	0.47	0.54	0.07	0.62	0.15	CORRECT	
AL OF	Ibanez,R.	0.63	0.66	0.03	0.64	0.01	CORRECT	
AL OF	Wells,V.	0.74	0.72	(0.02)	0.63	(0.11)	CORRECT	
NL OF	Wilkerson,B.	0.68	0.71	0.03	0.69	0.01	CORRECT	
AL OF	Crisp,C.	0.49	0.48	(0.01)	0.66	0.17	WRONG	
NL C	Estrada, J.	0.42	0.52	0.10	0.65	0.23	CORRECT	
AL OF	Baldelli,R.	0.60	0.61	0.01	0.61	0.01	CORRECT	
AL OF	Johnson,R.	0.58	0.56	(0.02)	0.49	(0.09)	CORRECT	
AL 1B	Palmeiro,R.	0.66	0.63	(0.03)	0.60	(0.06)	CORRECT	
AL SS	Uribe, J.	0.52	0.52	0.00	0.64	0.12	CORRECT	
AL OF	Dye,J.	0.25	0.67	0.42	0.59	0.34	CORRECT	
AL OF	Hunter,T.	0.54	0.52	(0.02)	0.65	0.11	WRONG	
AL OF	Jones,J.	0.65	0.68	0.03	0.53	(0.12)	WRONG	
AL 3B	Hinske,E.	0.59	0.71	0.12	0.49	(0.10)	WRONG	
NL OF	Freel, R.	0.66	0.66	0.00	0.66	0.00	CORRECT	
NL 1B	Thome,J.	0.75	0.77	0.02	0.77	0.02	CORRECT	
AL 3B	Randa,J.	0.61	0.59	(0.02)	0.56	(0.05)	CORRECT	
NL 1B	Feliz,P.	0.56	0.59	0.03	0.60	0.04	CORRECT	
NL OF	Chavez,E.	0.48	0.46	(0.02)	0.59	0.11	WRONG	
AL 3B	Bellhorn, M.	0.46	0.48	0.02	0.64	0.18	CORRECT	
NL OF	Bradley, M.	0.83	0.76	(0.07)	0.62	(0.21)	CORRECT	
AL C	Varitek,J.	0.66	0.62	(0.04)	0.72	0.06	WRONG	
NL 3B	Tracy,C.	#N/A	#N/A	#N/A	0.57	#N/A		
NL OF	Bonds,B.	1.11	1.06	(0.05)	1.23	0.12	WRONG	
AL OF	Bigbie, L.	0.69	0.69	0.00	0.60	(0.09)	WRONG	
AL SS	Berroa,A.	0.64	0.64	0.00	0.49	(0.15)	WRONG	
AL OF	Anderson,G.	0.72	0.55	(0.17)	0.61	(0.11)	CORRECT	
NL 2B	Durham,R.	0.63	0.60	(0.03)	0.68	0.05	WRONG	
AL SS	Infante,O.	0.34	0.38	0.04	0.59	0.25	CORRECT	
AL OF	Cruz,J.	0.59	0.64	0.05	0.58	(0.01)	WRONG	
AL 2B	Hudson,O.	0.52	0.48	(0.04)	0.59	0.07	WRONG	
NL SS	Greene,K.	0.38	0.51	0.13	0.60	0.22	CORRECT	
NL C	Barrett,M.	0.41	0.61	0.20	0.62	0.21	CORRECT	
AL 3B	Chavez,E.	0.69	0.73	0.04	0.73	0.04	CORRECT	
AL OF	Monroe,C.	0.51	0.57	0.06	0.63	0.12	CORRECT	
AL DH	Harvey,K.	0.50	0.66	0.16	0.56	0.06	CORRECT	
NL SS	Gonzalez,Al.	0.51	0.59	0.08	0.44	(0.07)	WRONG	
AL 2B	Kennedy,A.	0.61	0.63	0.02	0.59	(0.02)	WRONG	
AL SS	Crosby,B.	#N/A	0.63	#N/A	0.53	#N/A		
NL C	Lieberthal,M.	0.64	0.62	(0.02)	0.56	(0.08)	CORRECT	
NL 3B	Wigginton,T.	0.52	0.50	(0.02)	0.57	0.05	WRONG	
AL DH	Martinez,E.	0.72	0.67	(0.05)	0.53	(0.19)	CORRECT	

NL C	Pierzynski,A.	0.64	0.60	(0.04)	0.49	(0.15)	CORRECT
NL OF	Hidalgo,R.	0.79	0.72	(0.07)	0.51	(0.28)	CORRECT
NL SS	Matsui,K.	#N/A	0.64	#N/A	0.57	#N/A	
AL 2B	Scutaro,M.	0.50	0.57	0.07	0.47	(0.03)	WRONG
AL 1B	Delgado,C.	0.83	0.79	(0.04)	0.69	(0.14)	CORRECT
AL C	Posada,J.	0.73	0.69	(0.04)	0.68	(0.05)	CORRECT
AL OF	Mench,K.	0.68	0.67	(0.01)	0.66	(0.02)	CORRECT

Total Accuracy

70%