

MLB Free Agency Seeing Nearly A Billion Dollars Spent on 54 Players

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MLB's 2010 off-season has shown that when you can earn \$7 billion in revenues in a down economy, clubs can spend it.

The 54 players that have signed Major League free agent contracts so far this off-season have seen a total of \$914,100,000 in total contract dollars, or an average of \$16,927,778. Of those, 26 players have seen 1-year deals totaling \$92,150,000 with the highest being [Hiroki Kuroda](#) of the Dodgers (\$12,000,000) followed by [Carlos Pena](#)'s deal with the Cubs (\$10,000,000).

Multi-year deals total a staggering \$821,950,000 with the largest being [Carl Crawford](#)'s 7-year, \$142 million deal with the Red Sox followed by [Jayson Werth](#)'s 7-year, \$126 million deal with the Nationals. Multi-year deals for the 29 players are seeing an average annual value (AAV) of \$10,404,430.38.



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