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Royals end 12-game losing streak, beat Indians 8-2

CLEVELAND (AP) - Billy Butler hit two of Kansas City's four home runs to help the Royals snap a 12-game losing streak by beating the Cleveland Indians 8-2 Wednesday night.

Butler's two-run blast off Ubaldo Jimenez (2-1) put the Royals ahead in the first. He added a solo shot in the ninth off reliever Jairo Asencio, following Alex Gordon's three-run homer against the reliever.

Eric Hosmer's two-run shot in the fifth made it 4-0 - the Royals' largest lead since April 8, when they beat the Los Angeles Angels 7-3.

Luke Hochevar (2-1) allowed four hits and two runs over 6 1-3 innings, recovering from a horrendous home opener start April 13 when he gave up seven runs in the first inning of an 8-3 loss to Cleveland.