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Introduction

The FIFA U-20 World Cup is not only the second oldest FIFA competition, but with 24 participating teams, it is also the joint second-largest together with the FIFA U-17 World Cup. From Tunisia 1977 to Colombia 2011, the competition has grown in terms of size and importance and it has added lustre to the game by not only producing great attacking football, but exciting players for the future as well, with 582 former FIFA U-20 World Cup players going on to participate in the FIFA World Cup™. Spectator numbers reflect the growing importance of the competition with the 2009 edition being attended by a cumulative audience of over 1.2 million, together with a cumulative worldwide television audience of over 500 million.

Things you need to know about the FIFA U-20 World Cup

1. The FIFA U-20 World Cup Turkey 2013 was the nineteenth edition since its inception.
2. A total of 83 associations have taken part in the FIFA U-20 World Cup to date and 1991 even saw the participation of a united Korean team.
3. For the 2011 competition there was only one newcomer: Guatemala.
4. The FIFA U-20 World Cup again comes second only to the FIFA World Cup™ in terms of the volume of matches. Since the inaugural tournament in Tunisia, 732 matches have been hosted under the auspices of the FIFA U-20 World Cup. The FIFA U-20 World Cup UAE 2003 provided the backdrop for the 500th match when Spain met Uzbekistan in Sharjah on 4 December 2003.
5. Since its inception in 1977, the FIFA U-20 World Cup has made stops in every confederation: Africa (three times), Asia (five times), Oceania (twice in Australia – as from 2006 Australia is a member of AFC), North and Central America (twice), South America (three times) and Europe (three times).
6. From the first FIFA U-20 World Cup in 1977 until 1995, the final competition comprised 16 teams. However, to enhance the prestige of FIFA's major youth competition, the number of contenders was increased from 16 to 24 from 1997 (AFC 4, CAF 4, CONCACAF 4, CONMEBOL 4, UEFA 6, OFC 1, hosts 1).
7. The tournament has a reputation as a talent showcase, with 582 former FIFA U-20 World Cup players going on to participate in the FIFA World Cup™. 31 of these players have played in a FIFA World Cup™ final match and 32 have won the world title (BRA 12, ESP 10, ARG 6, FRA 2, GER 1, ITA 1).
8. Of those thirty-one players who have played in a FIFA World Cup™ final match, only two players, Burruchaga (ARG, in 1986) and Iniesta (ESP, in 2010) have scored.
9. During the first two tournaments, the games only lasted 40 minutes each way (extra time was twice ten minutes). Since Australia 1981, matches have followed the traditional format of 45 minutes per half (with 15 minutes per half in extra time).
10. The AFC has twice been represented in a FIFA U-20 World Cup final, with both Qatar (1981 against Germany FR) and Japan (1999 against Spain) suffering 4-0 defeats.
11. Brazil (17 participations) have been ever present with the exception of the 1979 tournament. They are followed by Australia and Spain (14 participations each), Argentina (13 participations).
12. Brazil have contested the most FIFA U-20 World Cup matches (96), followed by Argentina (72) and Spain (67).

Things you need to know about the FIFA U-20 World Cup

13. Only two host teams have ever claimed the championship crown: in Lisbon in 1991 when a strong Portuguese side featuring Luis Figo, Rui Costa and co. struck gold and in Argentina in 2001. The Soviet Union (1985), Chile (1987) and Australia (1993) nonetheless also managed to exploit home advantage to reach the semi-finals.
14. Throughout the tournament's history, three teams have taken home the trophy on successive occasions. In the Soviet Union in 1985, Brazil's goalkeeper Taffarel helped his team successfully defend the title secured in Mexico two years earlier. In 1991 Fernando Couto, Paulo Sousa retained the trophy won by their predecessors in 1989, while in Malaysia in 1997 Argentina, captained by Juan Román Riquelme, took the trophy home for another spell. Argentina repeated this feat in 2005 (with Lionel Messi) and 2007 (with Sergio Agüero).
15. All in all, 14 different teams have qualified for the 18 final matches. A select group of 32 sides from all confederations has reached the semi-finals, indicating a considerably level playing field in this age group.
16. The final match has not always been as clear-cut as some of the competitions would suggest (1981 & 1999: 4-0; 2001: 3-0). In 1977, 1987, 1991 and 2009 the final was decided on penalties. In 2011, the final between Brazil and Portugal was determined by a single goal in extra time same as in the final of 1985 between Brazil and Spain.
17. Throughout the 18 editions of the FIFA U-20 World Cup, teams from the same confederation have met in the final match on four occasions, with Brazil and Argentina the first teams to do so in 1983 - these two sides met again in the final twelve years later. Never ones to shy from the limelight, Argentina also met fellow South Americans Uruguay in the 1997 final. As for Europe, 1987 saw Germany FR and Yugoslavia share the field for the final match.
18. For the first time in 2009 an African team won the title; Ghana beat Brazil on penalties.
19. African teams have finished in second place on four occasions. Ghana claimed the runners-up spot in Australia in 1993 and again in Argentina in 2001, while Nigeria were pipped at the post by Portugal in 1989 and Argentina in 2005.
20. The average match attendance in Colombia 2011 of 25,191, was the second-highest of the FIFA U-20 World Cup's 18 editions, behind Mexico 1983 (36,099). However, the total of 1,309,929 spectators at this year's event was a record, breaking the 1,295,586 set two years ago in Egypt.

History

The tournament began modestly in Tunisia in 1977, with the FIFA Technical Report bemoaning the paucity of spectators. But by the early 1990s the competition had grown into an event of enormous importance with worldwide media exposure. Securing a committed long-term sponsor was crucial to the realisation of a project which João Havelange had promised to launch when he became FIFA President in 1974. Above all, however, the competition's success has always depended upon the particular flavour of the games: that added dash of youth, spontaneity and adventure.

The inevitable teething problems experienced in Tunisia in 1977 were mostly solved at the second U-20 World Cup in Japan in 1979, one of the first major international football events in that country, which helped to trigger interest and enthusiasm for the sport there. The role of the FIFA U-20 World Cup as an "ambassador" to so-called "developing" football countries continued in 1981 when it went to Australia for the first time. In 1983, however, the event enjoyed its first major success in Mexico, a country steeped in football tradition where the final between Brazil and Argentina drew a capacity crowd of 105,000.

The Soviet Union hosted the finals in 1985 while in 1987 it went to South America for the first time when Chile played host and in 1989 the state-of-the-art King Fahd Stadium on the outskirts of Riyadh was the spectacular setting for several matches. The 1991 final saw even the 1983 attendance eclipsed when 127,000 – the second-largest crowd ever to attend a FIFA match – crammed into Lisbon's Stadium of Light to cheer the home team to a repeat of their 1989 victory. In 1993 the Australians revived memories of the 1981 finals and surpassed them with a superbly organised championship to which the young Socceroos made their own thrilling contribution. Latin football dominated both the 1995 event in Qatar (which had taken over the role of hosts at barely three weeks' notice after Nigeria had been considered unable to stage the competition) and the 1997 tournament in Malaysia. Africa was still unable to produce the winner in Nigeria 1999, although three CAF teams did make it to the last eight.

When an African representative (Ghana) finally made it to the final in 2001, it was the hosts, Argentina, who won the day – their fourth FIFA U-20 World Cup title and a showcase for their budding star Saviola, the tournament's top scorer so far with 11 goals in 7 matches. The United Arab Emirates provided the venue for the 2003 edition of the tournament and even threw the tournament's best player, Ismail Matar, into the bargain. A distinctive South American flavour permeated the Arabian air as they secured three of the four semi-final slots. Colombia and Argentina took third and fourth place respectively, while Brazil claimed their fourth FIFA U-20 World Cup against Spain, thus adding to their triumphs at the 2002 FIFA World Cup™ and the 2003 FIFA U-17 World Cup and becoming world champions in all age categories.

The semi-finals in 2005 featured two African and two South American teams: Morocco eventually lost to Brazil in the play-off for third place, while Nigeria succumbed in the final against Argentina. The Argentines thus claimed their fifth FIFA U-20 World Cup title, and in Lionel Messi, they also boasted the tournament's best player and top goalscorer with six strikes.

In 2007 for a second time on the trot, Argentina hoisted aloft the FIFA U-20 World Cup after a dazzling and record-breaking month of football in Canada. In the final it was the Czechs who took the lead but Argentina hit back and the defending champions secured a 2-1 victory just before the final whistle.

In 2009 the tournament records were rewritten, with more goals than ever before, and an unprecedented number of fans turning out to watch them. And there was an abundance of promising talent on show. Yet, for Africa at least, Egypt 2009 will not be remembered for any of these achievements. Instead, it will go down in history as the first time that a team from the mother continent came, saw and conquered all at FIFA's second-biggest tournament. Ghana were the team to inscribe their name in folklore, and worthy winners they were too. Led by the tournament's top scorer and outstanding player, Dominic Adiyiah, the Black Satellites combined strength and skill to devastating effect, scoring 16 times en route to the final. Even when the goals finally dried up in the decider against Brazil, Sellas Tetteh's side merely took that as the signal to display another essential attribute of champions: character.

In the thrilling final in Colombia 2011 Portugal were just 12 minutes away from the title, when Brazilian youngster Oscar scored to take the game into extra time before completing his hat-trick leading his country to victory.

Winners at a glance

Year/Host	Winner	Final		Top Goalscorer*
2011 Colombia	Brazil	Brazil – Portugal	3-2 AET	HENRIQUE (BRA), 5 goals (3 assists), Alvaro VAZQUEZ (ESP), Alexandre LACAZETTE (FRA) 5 goals each
2009 Egypt	Ghana	Ghana – Brazil	0:0, AET, 4-3 PSO	Dominic ADIYIAH (GHA), 8 goals
2007 Canada	Argentina	Czech Republic – Argentina	1:2	Sergio AGUERO (ARG), 6 goals
2005 Netherlands	Argentina	Argentina – Nigeria	2:1	Lionel MESSI (ARG), 6 goals
2003 UAE	Brazil	Spain – Brazil	0:1	Ed JOHNSON (USA), Daisuke SAKATA (JPN), DUDU (BRA), Fernando CAVENAGHI (ARG) 4 goals each
2001 Argentina	Argentina	Argentina – Ghana	3:0	Javier SAVIOLA (ARG), 11 goals
1999 Nigeria	Spain	Spain – Japan	4:0	PABLO (ESP), Mahamadou DISSA (MLI), 5 goals each
1997 Malaysia	Argentina	Argentina – Uruguay	2:1	ADAILTON (BRA), 10 goals
1995 Qatar	Argentina	Argentina – Brazil	2:0	Joseba ETXEBERRIA (ESP), 7 goals
1993 Australia	Brazil	Brazil – Ghana	2:1	Henry ZAMBRANO (COL), Chris FAKLARIS (USA), Vicente NIETO (MEX), Ante MILICIC (AUS), GIAN (BRA), ADRIANO (BRA), Augustine AHINFUL (GHA), 3 goals each
1991 Portugal	Portugal	Portugal – Brazil	0:0 AET, 4:2 PSO	Sergei SHERBAKOV (URS), 5 goals
1989 Saudi Arabia	Portugal	Portugal – Nigeria	2:0	Oleg SALENKO (URS), 5 goals
1987 Chile	Yugoslavia	Yugoslavia – Germany FR	1:1 AET, 5:4 PSO	Marcel WITECZEK (FRG), 7 goals
1985 Soviet Union	Brazil	Brazil – Spain	0:0, 1:0 AET	Sebastian LOSADA (ESP), Alberto GARCIA ASPE (ESP), Odiaka MONDAY (NGA), GERSON (BRA), BALALO (BRA), MULLER (BRA), FERNANDO (ESP), 3 goals each
1983 Mexico	Brazil	Brazil – Argentina	1:0	GEOVANI (BRA), 6 goals
1981 Australia	Germany FR	Germany FR – Qatar	4:0	Mark KOUSSAS (AUS), Taher AMER (EGY), Ralf LOSE (FRG), Roland Wohlfarth (FRG) 4 goals each
1979 Japan	Argentina	Argentina – Soviet Union	3:1	Ramon DIAZ (ARG), 8 goals
1977 Tunisia	Soviet Union	Mexico – Soviet Union	2:2 AET, 8:9 PSO	QUINA (BRA), 4 goals

*adidas Golden Boot award winners see page 14

Competition Nutshell

Year	Host	Teams	Matches	Goals	Ø	Spectators	Ø
1977	Tunisia	16	28	70	2.50	22'000	786
1979	Japan	16	32	83	2.59	454'500	14'203
1981	Australia	16	32	87	2.72	443'094	13'847
1983	Mexico	16	32	91	2.84	1'155'160	36'099
1985	Soviet Union	16	32	80	2.50	657'800	20'556
1987	Chile	16	32	86	2.69	712'000	22'250
1989	Saudi Arabia	16	32	81	2.53	643'815	20'119
1991	Portugal	16	32	82	2.56	731'500	22'859
1993	Australia	16	32	82	2.56	478'003	14'938
1995	Qatar	16	32	105	3.28	455'000	14'219
1997	Malaysia	24	52	165	3.17	655'827	12'612
1999	Nigeria	24	52	158	3.04	624'400	12'008
2001	Argentina	24	52	149	2.87	506'320	9'737
2003	United Arab Emirates	24	52	119	2.29	592'100	11'387
2005	Netherlands	24	52	143	2.75	502'698	9'667
2007	Canada	24	52	135	2.60	1'195'239	22'985
2009	Egypt	24	52	167	3.21	1'295'586	24'915
2011	Colombia	24	52	132	2.54	1'309'929	25'191
	Total		732	2015	2.75	12'434'971	16'988

Statistics

Goals

Average number of goals per match

The highest average number of goals per match was recorded during the 1995 tournament in Qatar (3.28 goals per match), followed by Egypt 2009 (3.21), Malaysia 1997 (3.17) and Nigeria in 1999 (3.04).

Most goals

All in all, Brazil have scored a total of 216 goals in the FIFA U-20 World Cup (2.25 per match). In second and third place are Argentina with 162 goals (1.99) and Spain with 141 (2.10). The most goals scored in a tournament was in Egypt in 2009 (167 goals), ahead of Malaysia in 1997 (165), Nigeria in 1999 (158) and Argentina in 2001 (149).

Goals	Country
216	Brazil
162	Argentina
141	Spain
117	Mexico
88	Uruguay
67	Germany
63	Nigeria, USA
62	Russia
60	Australia
55	Ghana

Fastest goals

The fastest goal in the competition's history was scored by Odiaka Monday (NGA) at the 1985 edition in the Soviet Union. Monday scored the goal 14 seconds into the game of Nigeria's match against Canada.

Sec.	Player	Date	Match	Competition
14''	Odiaka MONDAY, NGA	24.08.1985	Nigeria – Canada	Soviet Union 1985
18''	John OWOERI, NGA	25.06.2005	Nigeria – Netherlands	Netherlands 2005
24''	Igor ZAZULIN, RUS	06.03.1993	Russia – Cameroon	Australia 1993
30''	Oleg KUZHLEV, URS	01.09.1985	Soviet Union – China PR	Soviet Union 1985
53''	Mamadou BAGAYOKO, MLI	18.04.1999	Mali – Nigeria	Nigeria 1999
58''	Sergi ROBERTO, ESP	06.08.2011	Australia – Spain	Colombia 2011

Top goalscorers

The tournament's top goalscorer to date is Argentina's Javier Saviola with eleven goals in seven matches (2001), ahead of Adailton from Brazil, who notched ten goals in five games (1997). In third place are Argentina's Ramon Diaz, who scored eight goals in six matches during the 1979 tournament and Ghana's Dominic Adiyiah scoring eight goals in five matches (2009). Saviola, Diaz and Adiyiah went on to win the title. Adailton's tournament ended at the quarter-final stage.

Goals	Player	Year
11	Javier SAVIOLA (ARG)	2001
10	ADAILTON (BRA)	1997
8	Ramon DIAZ (ARG) Dominic ADIYIAH (GHA)	1979 2009
7	Joseba ETXEBERRIA (ESP) Marcel WITECZEK (FRG)	1995 1987
6	ADRIANO (BRA) Sergio AGUERO (ARG) Djibril Cisse (FRA) GEOVANI (BRA) Diego MARADONA (ARG) Lionel MESSI (ARG) Peter Ofori QUAYE (GHA) Davor SUKER (YUG)	1979 2007 2001 1983 1979 2005 1997, 1999 1987



Photo: Javier Saviola, next to FIFA President Joseph S. Blatter, with the Golden Ball and the Golden Shoe at the FIFA World Youth Championship 2001 (source: FIFA Archive)

Hat-tricks

Argentina's Ramon Diaz and Javier Saviola have both scored two hat-tricks in the FIFA U-20 World Cup. This was topped by Brazilian Adailton's rare double hat-trick during his team's 10-3 victory over Korea Republic. Almost as impressively, Australia's Salapasisidis knocked in four goals in one match when his team defeated eventual champions Argentina 4-3 in 1997. Eight years later in 2005, Llorente of Spain equalled this feat, scoring four goals in their 7-0 victory over Chile.

# hat-tricks	Player (DOB) Match date	Host/year	# goals
2	DIAZ Ramon, ARG (29.08.1959)		
	26.08.1979	ARG v. IDN 5-0	Japan 1979
	02.09.1979	ARG v. ALG 5-0	Japan 1979
2	SAVIOLA Javier, ARG (11.12.1981)		
	01.07.2001	ARG v. FRA 3-1	Argentina 2001
	20.06.2001	EGY v. ARG 1-7	Argentina 2001
1	ADAILTON, BRA (24.01.1977)		
	22.06.1997	KOR v. BRA 3-10	Malaysia 1997
1	LLORENTE Fernando, ESP (26.02.1985)		
	14.06.2005	CHI v. ESP 0-7	Netherlands 2005
1	SALAPASIDIS Kosta, AUS (01.07.1978)		
	23.06.1997	ARG v. AUS 3-4	Malaysia 1997
1	ADRIAN LOPEZ, ESP (08.01.1988)		
	07.07.2007	ESP v. JOR 4-2	Canada 2007
1	ADU Freddy, USA (02.06.1989)		
	03.07.2007	USA v. POL 6-1	Canada 2007
1	AL ABID Hussain Saeed Mohamed, IRQ (21.01.1958)		
	01.07.1977	IRQ v. AUT 5-1	Tunisia 1977
1	AL MOHAMEDI Khalid, QAT (05.04.1962)		
	11.10.1981	BRA v. QAT 2-3	Australia 1981
1	ALEX, BRA (14.09.1977)		
	25.06.1997	BRA v. BEL 10-0	Malaysia 1997
1	AUER Benjamin, GER (11.01.1981)		
	20.06.2001	CAN v. GER 0-4	Argentina 2001
1	CISSE Djibril, FRA (12.08.1981)		
	18.06.2001	IRN v. FRA 0-5	Argentina 2001
1	DEL VALLE Yonathan, VEN (28.05.1990)		
	28.09.2009	TAH v. VEN 0-8	Egypt 2009
1	ETXEBERRIA Joseba, ESP (05.09.1977)		
	23.04.1995	ESP v. RUS 4-1	Qatar 1995
1	FAKLARIS Chris, USA (30.10.1973)		
	07.03.1993	TUR v. USA 0-6	Australia 1993
1	GERSON, BRA (23.09.1965)		
	01.09.1985	BRA v. COL 6-0	Soviet Union 1985

# hat-tricks	Player (DOB) Match date	Host/year			# goals
1	KERN Enrico, GER (12.03.1979)				
	04.04.1999	GER v. PAR	4-0	Nigeria 1999	3
1	KLEMENZ Joachim, POL (16.02.1964)				
	03.06.1983	POL v. CIV	7-2	Mexico 1983	3
1	MOHAMED IBRAHIM, EGY (01.03.1992)				
	04.08.2011	EGY v. AUT	4-0	Colombia 2011	3
1	MURPHY Danny, ENG (18.03.1977)				
	20.06.1997	UAE v. ENG	0-5	Malaysia 1997	3
1	OSCAR, BRA (09.09.1991)				
	20.08.2011	BRA v. POR	3-2	Colombia 2011	3
1	PENA Sebastian, ARG (03.07.1976)				
	20.04.1995	ARG v. HON	4-2	Qatar 1995	3
1	PLACENCIA Luis, MEX (04.02.1958)				
	27.06.1977	MEX v. TUN	6-0	Tunisia 1977	3
1	QUINA, BRA (04.02.1958)				
	27.06.1977	BRA v. IRN	5-1	Tunisia 1977	3
1	REINALDO, BRA (01.07.1976)				
	14.04.1995	SYR v. BRA	0-6	Qatar 1995	3
1	RONDON Jose, VEN (16.09.1989)				
	28.09.2009	TAH v. VEN	0-8	Egypt 2009	3
1	SAMMER Matthias, GER (05.09.1967)				
	14.10.1987	GDR v. COL	3-1	Chile 1987	3
1	URZAIZ, ESP (07.10.1971)				
	18.06.1991	ESP v. URU	6-0	Portugal 1991	3
1	VAZQUEZ Alvaro, ESP (27.04.1991)				
	06.08.2011	AUS v. ESP	1-5	Colombia 2011	3
1	WEBB Neil, ENG (30.07.1963)				
	11.10.1981	ENG v. EGY	4-2	Australia 1981	3
1	WITZENHAUSEN Mendel, NED (03.01.1976)				
	16.04.1995	NED v. HON	7-1	Qatar 1995	3

Milestone goals

#	Goalscorer	Match	Result	Date	Venue
1	Luigi CAPUZZO (ITA)	ITA – CIV	1:1	27.06.1977	Sousse, TUN
100	Rui FERREIRA (POR)	POR – PAR	1:0	27.08.1979	Tokyo, JPN
200	Ronaldo MARQUES SERENO (BRA)	KOR – BRA	0:3	08.10.1981	Melbourne, AUS
300	Chong Kon KIM (KOR)	AUS – KOR	1:2	08.06.1983	Toluca, MEX
400	MULLER (BRA)	BRA – COL	6:0	01.09.1985	Tbilissi, URS
500	Christopher OHENHEN (NGA)	KSA – NGA	1:2	16.02.1989	Riyadh, KSA
600	Paulo TORRES (POR)	POR – ARG	3:0	17.06.1991	Lisbon, POR
700	Serkan RECBER (TUR)	KOR – TUR	1:1	09.03.1993	Melbourne, AUS
800	Joseba ETXEBERRIA (ESP)	ESP – CHI	6:3	19.04.1995	Doha, QAT
900	Froylan LEDEZMA (CRC)	JPN – CRC	6:2	20.06.1997	Kuantan, MAS
1000	Peter OFORI-QUAYE (GHA)	JPN – GHA	1:2 AET	29.06.1997	Johor Bahru, MAS
1100	MANCINI (BRA)	ZAM – BRA	1:5	11.04.1999	Port Harcourt, NGA
1200	Djibril CISSE (FRA)	IRN – FRA	0:5	18.06.2001	Mar del Plata, ARG
1300	Philippe MEXES (FRA)	ARG – FRA	3:1	01.07.2001	Buenos Aires, ARG
1400	Stephen KELLY (IRL)	IRL – MEX	2:0	05.12.2003	Al-Ain City, UAE
1500	Urby EMANUELSON (NED)	AUS – NED	0:3	15.06.2005	Kerkrade, NED
1600	Bruno GAMA (POR)	POR – NZL	2:0	02.07.2007	Toronto, CAN
1700	Erwin HOFFER (AUT)	AUT – USA	2:1 AET	14.07.2007	Toronto, CAN
1800	Daniel ADEJO (NGA)	TAH – NGA	0:5	01.10.2009	Cairo, EGY
1900	RODRIGO (ESP)	CRC – ESP	1:4	31.07.2011	Manizales, COL
2000	RODRIGO (ESP)	BRA – ESP	2:2 AET, 4:2 PSO	14.08.2011	Pereira, COL
2015	OSCAR (BRA)	BRA – POR	3:2 AET	20.08.2011	Bogota, COL

Highest scoring matches

The two highest-scoring matches in the FIFA U-20 World Cup were held in Kuching (Malaysia) in 1997, with Brazil crushing Korea Republic 10:3 before inflicting a 10:0 defeat on Belgium. However, other than sealing the Golden Shoe for Adailton, the shower of goals reaped a meagre harvest, as Brazil were humbled in the quarter-finals by soon-to-be world champions and age-old rivals Argentina.

A nine-goal extravaganza put 1999's quarter-final showdown between Mali and Cameroon in Enugu, Nigeria, in third place in the ranks, although in terms of entertainment the game was streets ahead. Mali knuckled down to come back from 3:1 down to defeat favourites Cameroon 5:4 in extra time.

Other action-packed games include the match between the Soviet Union and Nigeria in Dammam, Saudi Arabia in 1989. The youngsters from the Soviet Union were 4:0 up (thanks partly to a goal by subsequent World Cup striker Salenko) when the West Africans fired off a rapid four goals in 24 minutes and sneaked home via the back door thanks to a 5:3 penalty shoot-out victory.

In contrast, the Netherlands v. Honduras match in Qatar in 1995 met with an inglorious end. Following four sendings-off and an injury, the Central American side was decimated. With only six Hondurans left on the park, regulations required that the game be abandoned.

Goals	Match	Score	Match date	Host/year
13	Korea Republic – Brazil	3-10	22.06.1997	Malaysia 1997
10	Brazil – Belgium	10-0	25.06.1997	Malaysia 1997
9	Poland – Côte d'Ivoire	7-2	03.06.1983	Mexico 1983
9	Spain – Chile	6-3	19.04.1995	Qatar 1995
9	Mali – Cameroon	5-4	15.04.1999	Nigeria 1999
8	Soviet Union – Nigeria	4-4	25.02.1989	Saudi Arabia 1989
8	Netherlands – Honduras	7-1	16.04.1995	Qatar 1995
8	Japan – Costa Rica	6-2	20.06.1997	Malaysia 1997
8	Egypt – Argentina	1-7	20.06.2001	Argentina 2001
8	Spain – Tahiti	8-0	25.09.2009	Egypt 2009
8	Tahiti – Venezuela	0-8	28.09.2009	Egypt 2009
7	Argentina – Australia	3-4	23.06.1997	Malaysia 1997
7	Zambia – Honduras	4-3	05.04.1999	Nigeria 1999
7	Iraq – Brazil	1-6	20.06.2001	Argentina 2001
7	Honduras – Chile	0-7	11.06.2005	Netherlands 2005
7	Chile – Spain	0-7	14.06.2005	Netherlands 2005
7	USA – Poland	6-1	03.07.2007	Canada 2007
7	Croatia – Nigeria	2-5	03.08.2011	Colombia 2011

Awards

adidas Golden Boot / adidas Golden Ball

The adidas Golden Boot award goes to the top goalscorer of the FIFA U-20 World Cup. Assists serve as a tie-breaker with the FIFA Technical Study Group deciding whether an assist is to be counted as such. The assists will only be counted if two or more players are equal on goals scored.

The U-20 world champions have managed to crown one of their own as top goalscorer on eight occasions: 1979 (Diaz in an Argentina side featuring Diego Maradona), 1983 (Geovani for Brazil), 1999 (Pablo for Spain), 2001, 2005 and 2007 (Saviola, Messi and Aguero, respectively, for Argentina), 2009 (Dominic Adiyiah for Ghana) and 2011 (Henrique for Brazil). In 1981, Australian Mark Koussas won the Golden Shoe award in front of his home crowd. The adidas Golden Ball is always awarded to the most outstanding player.

adidas Golden Glove

The Golden Glove goes to the most outstanding goalkeeper of the competition as selected by FIFA's Technical Study Group (since 2009).

FIFA Fair Play Award

The FIFA Fair Play award is given to the team with the best record of fair play according to the points system and criteria established by the FIFA Fair Play Committee.

Year	adidas Golden Boot *	adidas Golden Ball	adidas Golden Glove	FIFA Fair Play
2011	HENRIQUE, BRA – 5 goals/3 assists	HENRIQUE, BRA	MIKA, POR	Nigeria
2009	Dominic ADIYIAH, GHA – 8 goals	Dominic ADIYIAH, GHA	Esteban ALVARADO, CRC	Brazil
2007	Sergio AGUERO, ARG – 6 goals	Sergio AGUERO, ARG	-	Japan
2005	Lionel MESSI, ARG – 6 goals	Lionel MESSI, ARG	-	Colombia
2003	Ed JOHNSON, USA – 4 goals/1 assist	Ismail MATAR, UAE	-	Colombia
2001	Javier SAVIOLA, ARG – 11 goals	Javier SAVIOLA, ARG	-	Argentina
1999	PABLO, ESP – 5 goals	Seydou KEITA, MLI	-	Croatia
1997	ADAILTON, BRA – 10 goals	Nicolas OLIVERA, URU	-	Argentina
1995	Joseba ETXEBERRIA, ESP – 7 goals	CAIO, BRA	-	Japan
1993	Henry ZAMBRANO, COL – 3 goals	ADRIANO, BRA	-	England
1991	Sergei SHERBAKOV, URS – 5 goals	PEIXE, POR	-	Soviet Union
1989	Oleg SALENKO, URS – 5 goals	BISMARCK, BRA	-	USA
1987	Marcel WITECZEK, FRG – 7 goals	Robert PROSINECKI, YUG	-	Germany FR
1985	Sebastian LOSADA, ESP – 3 goals	SILAS, BRA	-	Colombia
1983	GEOVANI, BRA – 6 goals	GEOVANI, BRA	-	Korea Republic
1981	Mark KOUSSAS, AUS – 4 goals	Romulus GABOR, ROU	-	Australia
1979	Ramon DIAZ, ARG – 8 goals	MARADONA, ARG	-	Poland
1977	QUINA, BRA – 4 goals	Vladimir BESSONOV, URS	-	Brazil

*known as "adidas Golden Shoe" prior to 2011

Players

Only three players have appeared in three editions of the FIFA U-20 World Cup – Al Roomi of Saudi Arabia (1985, 1987, 1989), Freddy Adu of the USA (2003, 2005, 2007) and David Edgar of Canada (2003, 2005 and 2007; 2003 only in squad, did not play). 127 players have played in two different tournaments.

Alongside the numerous outfield players who went on to further fame and fortune are the goalkeepers who have since claimed their place in the football hall of fame. Goycochea (ARG), Buyo (ESP), Canizares (ESP), Casillas (ESP, World Champion in 2010), Wohlfahrt (AUT), Wandzik (POL), Cherchesov (URS), Taffarel and Dida (BRA), El Ouaer (TUN), Forrest (CAN), Meola and Keller (USA), Bosnich (AUS), Cech (CZE), Stekelenburg (NED), Romero (ARG) and Cameroon’s Olympic Champion Kameni all bear witness to the importance of the tournament for young goalkeepers.

A penalty hero on the subs’ bench in the 1977 FIFA U-20 World Cup in Tunisia, the Soviet Union’s substitute goalkeeper Yuri Sivuha was brought onto the field shortly before the penalty shoot-out in both the semi-final and final. Prevailing in both instances, he certainly contributed to his team’s World Cup title.

Referees

The competition has also served as a springboard for referees, some of whom officiated at important matches during subsequent FIFA World Cups. Five of them even directed a World Cup final: Arnaldo Coelho (BRA, 1982), Edgardo Codesal Mendez (MEX, 1990), Sandor Puhl (HUN, 1994), Horacio Elizondo (ARG, 2006) and Howard Webb (ENG, 2010).

Coaches

Several FIFA U-20 World Cup coaches went on to bring their experience to bear in FIFA World Cup™ matches. Germany’s Berti Vogts (FU20WC 1987, FWC 1994 and 1998 with Germany), France’s Philippe Troussier (FU20WC 1999 with Japan, FWC 1998 and 2002 with South Africa and Japan), Raymond Domenech (FU20WC 2001, FWC 2006 and 2010 with France) and Cesar Luis Menotti directed Argentina’s win at the FIFA World Cup™ 1978 and the FIFA U-20 World Cup in 1979 (FWC 1978, FU20 1979, FWC 1982) are the only ones to have coached twice at the FIFA World Cup™.

Berti Vogts has further appeared as player in the World Cup (1970-1978), including the title in 1974.

Australia’s Les Scheinflug has coached teams at seven different tournaments. Along with Pekerman from Argentina (who won three of the four tournaments in which he coached), Scheinflug heads the table for the number of coaching appearances.

Coaching participations

Coach	Matches	Competition / year
Les Scheinflug, AUS	29	7 1983, 1987, 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999
Jose Pekerman, ARG	21	4 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001
Iñaki Saez, ESP	16	3 1997, 1999, 2005
Jesus Pereda, ESP	13	3 1985, 1989, 1991
Thomas Rongen, NED - team USA	13	3 2003, 2007, 2009
Dale Mitchell, CAN	11	3 2003, 2005, 2007
Ange Postecoglou, AUS	10	3 2001, 2003, 2005
Salvador Breglia, PAR	10	3 1977, 1979, 1985

Spectators

The highest accumulative audience total for a tournament was registered at the FIFA U-20 World Cup Colombia 2011 - 1'309'929, an average of 25,191 spectators per match. The FIFA U-20 World Cup 1983 in Mexico retains the record for the highest average attendance however, at 36,099, while the highest recorded attendance at a single match was in Portugal in 1991, where the game between Brazil and the hosts was supported by 127,000 spectators.

Highest attendances

Att.	Date	Venue	Match	Result	Phase
127,000	30.06.1991	Lisbon, POR	Portugal – Brazil	0:0	Final
112,000	26.06.1991	Lisbon, POR	Portugal – Australia	1:0	Semi-finals
110,000	19.06.1983	Mexico City, MEX	Argentina – Brazil	0:1	Final
108,900	02.06.1983	Mexico City, MEX	Mexico – Australia	1:1	Group A
90,000	22.06.1991	Lisbon, POR	Portugal – Mexico	2:1	Quarter-finals
86,582	08.06.1983	Mexico City, MEX	Mexico – Scotland	0:1	Group A
81,860	06.10.2009	Cairo, EGY	Egypt – Costa Rica	0:2	Round of 16
75,000	17.10.1987	Santiago de Chile, CHI	Chile – Australia	2:0	Group A
74,000	24.09.2009	Alexandria, EGY	Egypt – Trinidad and Tobago	4:1	Group A
71,198	05.06.1983	Mexico City, MEX	Korea Republic – Mexico	2:1	Group A
70,000	16.02.1989	Riyadh, KSA	Saudi Arabia – Nigeria	1:2	Group A

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All-time ranking

Rank	Team	MP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts.	Avg pts.	Part.
1	Brazil	96	68	14	14	216	66	218	2.27	17
2	Argentina	72	52	6	14	143	52	162	2.25	13
3	Spain	67	39	13	15	141	73	130	1.94	14
4	Uruguay	51	23	13	15	68	54	82	1.61	11
5	Portugal	40	22	6	12	46	31	72	1.8	8
6	Mexico	50	18	17	15	77	51	71	1.42	12
7	Ghana	32	20	8	4	55	29	68	2.12	5
8	Germany	38	19	7	12	67	40	64	1.68	9
9	Nigeria	44	18	10	16	63	56	64	1.45	9
10	Russia	38	17	11	10	62	44	62	1.63	8
11	Australia	53	16	14	23	60	84	62	1.17	14
12	USA	48	18	6	24	63	71	60	1.25	12
13	Colombia	30	15	5	10	45	40	50	1.67	7
14	Japan	35	13	9	13	49	48	48	1.37	8
15	Korea Republic	44	12	10	22	52	73	46	1.05	12
16	Paraguay	32	12	8	12	43	44	44	1.38	8
17	Egypt	29	11	5	13	41	41	38	1.31	7
18	Czech Republic	26	9	10	7	34	31	37	1.42	6
19	Costa Rica	31	11	3	17	38	58	36	1.16	8
20	England	35	8	12	15	30	36	36	1.03	9
21	France	20	10	4	6	35	30	34	1.7	4
22	Chile	23	10	4	9	38	40	34	1.48	5
23	Republic of Ireland	21	8	5	8	30	27	29	1.38	5
24	Netherlands	17	8	4	5	30	20	28	1.65	4
25	Poland	19	8	3	8	31	25	27	1.42	4
26	Cameroon	21	7	4	10	28	36	25	1.19	6
27	China PR	18	7	3	8	25	26	24	1.33	5
28	Italy	20	6	5	9	26	29	23	1.15	5
29	Hungary	19	6	4	9	26	32	22	1.16	5
30	Serbia	9	6	1	2	22	9	19	2.11	2
31	Mali	16	6	1	9	21	36	19	1.19	4
32	Saudi Arabia	22	4	6	12	18	26	18	0.82	7
33	United Arab Emirates	14	5	2	7	12	26	17	1.21	3
34	Canada	27	4	5	18	16	50	17	0.63	8
35	Syria	14	4	4	6	13	23	16	1.14	4
36	Iraq	10	5	0	5	16	19	15	1.5	3
37	Morocco	14	4	3	7	16	20	15	1.07	3
38	Romania	6	4	1	1	6	3	13	2.17	1
39	German DR	9	4	1	4	13	10	13	1.44	2
40	Austria	16	3	4	9	7	29	13	0.81	4
41	Scotland	11	3	3	5	12	15	12	1.09	3
42	Bulgaria	8	3	2	3	8	9	11	1.38	2
43	Qatar	9	3	2	4	8	13	11	1.22	2
44	Cote d'Ivoire	16	1	7	8	13	30	10	0.62	5
45	Ukraine	8	2	3	3	13	12	9	1.12	2

Rank	Team	MP	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts.	Avg pts.	Part.
46	Honduras	15	3	0	12	15	43	9	0.6	5
47	Zambia	7	2	2	3	10	13	8	1.14	2
48	Ecuador	8	2	2	4	7	8	8	1	2
49	Burkina Faso	4	2	1	1	2	1	7	1.75	1
50	Venezuela	4	2	0	2	10	5	6	1.5	1
51	Slovakia	4	2	0	2	6	4	6	1.5	1
52	Gambia	4	2	0	2	4	6	6	1.5	1
53	Angola	4	1	2	1	3	4	5	1.25	1
54	Algeria	4	1	2	1	2	6	5	1.25	1
55	Croatia	7	1	2	4	8	14	5	0.71	2
56	South Africa	7	1	2	4	7	14	5	0.71	2
57	Turkey	7	1	2	4	5	15	5	0.71	2
58	Congo	4	1	1	2	3	7	4	1	1
59	Belgium	4	1	1	2	4	14	4	1	1
60	Norway	6	1	1	4	4	10	4	0.67	2
61	Iran	6	1	1	4	4	13	4	0.67	2
62	Sweden	3	1	0	2	4	6	3	1	1
63	Finland	3	1	0	2	2	4	3	1	1
64	Switzerland	3	1	0	2	2	5	3	1	1
65	Guatemala	4	1	0	3	1	12	3	0.75	1
66	Korea DPR	6	0	3	3	2	9	3	0.5	2
67	Tunisia	6	1	0	5	3	13	3	0.5	2
68	Benin	3	0	2	1	2	3	2	0.67	1
69	New Zealand	6	0	2	4	3	8	2	0.33	2
70	Panama	12	0	2	10	4	25	2	0.17	4
71	Jordan	3	0	1	2	3	6	1	0.33	1
72	Bahrain	3	0	1	2	1	4	1	0.33	1
73	Jamaica	3	0	1	2	1	6	1	0.33	1
74	Burundi	3	0	1	2	2	8	1	0.33	1
75	Uzbekistan	6	0	1	5	5	12	1	0.17	2
76	Trinidad & Tobago	6	0	1	5	2	18	1	0.17	2
77	Ethiopia	3	0	0	3	4	8	0	0	1
78	Malaysia	3	0	0	3	2	9	0	0	1
79	Togo	3	0	0	3	1	9	0	0	1
	Kazakhstan	3	0	0	3	1	9	0	0	1
81	Guinea	3	0	0	3	0	10	0	0	1
82	Indonesia	3	0	0	3	0	16	0	0	1
83	Tahiti	3	0	0	3	0	21	0	0	1

Overall matches played **732**
Overall goals scored **2,015**
Avg. goals per match **2.75**

Legend

MP Matches played
W/D/L Win/Draw/Loss
GF/GA Goals for/Goals against
Pts Points
Avg.pts Average points per match
Part Number of participations in competition

Team statistics

Most participations

#	Team
17	Brazil
14	Australia
	Spain
13	Argentina
12	Korea Republic
	Mexico
	USA
11	Uruguay

Most goals

#	Team
216	Brazil
143	Argentina
141	Spain
77	Mexico
68	Uruguay
67	Germany/Germany FR
63	Nigeria
	USA
62	Russia/Soviet Union
60	Australia
55	Ghana

Most goals in one competition

#	Team	Year
27	Argentina	2001
25	Brazil	1997
20	Argentina	1979
19	Spain	1995
18	Brazil	2011
17	Spain	2005
	Yugoslavia	1987
16	Argentina	2007
	Ghana	2009
	Mali	1999
	Spain	1999

Most penalty goals

#	Team
17	Spain
12	Argentina
11	Brazil
7	USA
6	Australia
	Hungary
	Portugal
	Russia/Soviet Union

Biggest wins

Result	Match	Date
10-0	Brazil – Belgium	25.06.1997
8-0	Spain – Tahiti	25.09.2009
0-8	Tahiti – Venezuela	28.09.2009
3-10	Korea Republic – Brazil	22.06.1997
0-7	Honduras – Chile	11.06.2005
0-7	Chile – Spain	14.06.2005

Most clean sheets per team

#	Team
51	Brazil
33	Argentina
23	Spain
22	Portugal
21	Uruguay
16	Nigeria
14	Russia/Soviet Union
	Germany/Germany FR
13	Ghana
12	Mexico
11	Chile
	England
	USA

Minutes without conceding a goal

Minutes	Matches	Team	Year
634	6	Brazil	1985-1987
620	6	Portugal	2007-2011
609	6	Brazil	2003-2005
582	6	Portugal	1989-1991
521	5	Germany FR	1981-1987
502	5	Chile	2005-2007

Consecutive wins

#	Team	Year
12	Argentina	2001-2003
	Brazil	1983-1987
8	Portugal	1989-1991
7	Argentina	2007-2011
	Germany FR	1981-1987
6	Argentina	2005
	Argentina	1995-1997
	Argentina	1981-1983
	Argentina	1979
	Brazil	1993-1995
	Yugoslavia	1979-1987

Consecutive matches scoring goals

#	Team	Year
22	Brazil	1977-1987
20	Ghana	1993-2001
19	Germany FR / Germany	1981-1999
17	Spain	2005-2011
16	Brazil	1999-2003
	Japan	1979-1999
14	Argentina	1979-1983
13	Argentina	1999-2003
12	Argentina	1995-1999
11	Mexico	1985-1993
	Spain	1999-2003

Consecutive matches without scoring

#	Team	Year
8	England	1999-2009
5	Austria	2007-2011
	Canada	1997-2003
	Canada	1979-1985

Consecutive matches without defeat

#	Team	Year
18	Argentina	2005-present
	Brazil	1989-1995
14	Brazil	2009-present
13	Brazil	1983-1987
12	Argentina	2001-2003
	Germany FR / Germany	1981-1993
11	Ghana	1999-2001
	Soviet Union	1985-1991

Matches won from two goals down

Date	Team	Result
11.07.2007	Spain from 0-2 v. Brazil	4:2
15.04.1999	Mali, from 2-4 v. Cameroon	5:4
28.04.1995	Portugal, from 0-2 v. Spain	3:2
29.08.1985	Nigeria, from 0-2 v. Australia	3:2
11.10.1981	England, from 0-2 v. Egypt	4:2

Matches drawn from four goals down

Date	Team/Match	Result
25.02.1989	Nigeria, from 0-4 v. URS	4:4

Teams eliminated without losing a match

Matches	Team	Year	Win (w)/draw (d)
7	Brazil	2009	(5 w - 2 d)
6	Brazil	1991	(4 w - 2 d)
6	Germany FR	1987	(4 w - 2 d)
5	Argentina	2011	(3 w - 2 d)
5	Ghana	1999	(3 w - 2 d)
5	Mexico	1977	(1 w - 4 d)
5	Netherlands	2005	(4 w - 1 d)
5	Soviet Union	1985	(3 w - 2 d)
5	Spain	2011	(3 w - 2 d)
5	Spain	2007	(3 w - 2 d)
4	Brazil	1977	(2 w - 2 d)
4	Czech Republic	2009	(2 w - 2 d)
4	Japan	2007	(2 w - 2 d)
4	Scotland	1987	(1 w - 3 d)
4	Soviet Union	1989	(3 w - 1 d)
4	Syria	1991	(1 w - 3 d)
4	Uruguay	1977	(3 w - 1 d)
3	Hungary	1985	(1 w - 2 d)
3	Korea Republic	1993	(3 d)

Most red cards in a match

# r cards	Match	Year
4	Italy – Hungary	2009
4	Netherlands – Honduras	1995
3	Argentina – Netherlands	1983
3	Portugal – Argentina	1991
3	Spain – Uruguay	1991
3	Burundi – Spain	1995
3	Qatar – Brazil	1995
3	Mali – Cameroon	1999
3	Chile – Portugal	2007

Most yellow cards in a match

# y cards	Match	Year
13	Morocco – Italy	2005
12	Austria – USA	2007
11	Spain – Argentina	1995
11	Brazil – Argentina	1995
11	Mali – Cameroon	1999
11	Spain – Ghana	1999
11	Uzbekistan – Argentina	2003
10	Argentina – Egypt	2011
10	Brazil – Costa Rica	2009
10	Ghana – South Africa	2009
10	Czech Republic – Argentina	2007
10	Mexico – Congo	2007
10	Costa Rica – Germany	1999
10	Australia – Colombia	1993

Player statistics

Most goals

#	Player	Year
11	Javier Saviola (ARG)	2001
10	Adailton (BRA)	1997
8	Dominic Adiyiah (GHA)	2009
	Ramon Diaz (ARG)	1979
7	Joseba Etxeberria (ESP)	1995
	Marcel Witeczek (FRG)	1987
6	Adriano (BRA)	1979
	Sergio Aguero (ARG)	2007
	Djibril Cisse (FRA)	2001
	Geovani (BRA)	1983
	Diego Maradona (ARG)	1979
	Lionel Messi (ARG)	2005
	Peter Ofori Quaye (GHA)	1997, 1999
	Davor Suker (YUG)	1987

Most goals in a match

#	Player	Result	Year
6	Adailton, BRA	v. KOR 10-3	1997
4	Kosta Salapavidis, AUS	v. ARG 4-3	1997
	Fernando Llorente, ESP	v. CHI 7-0	2005

Hattricks

#	Player	Goals	Match	Year
2	Ramon Diaz, ARG	3	v. IDN 5-0	1979
		3	v. ALG 5-0	1979
2	Javier Saviola, ARG	3	v. EGY 7-1	2001
		3	v. FRA 3-1	2001

Fastest goals (seconds)

Seconds	Player	Year
14''	Odiaka Monday, NGA	v. CAN 1985
18''	John Owoeri, NGA	v. NED 2005
24''	Igor Zazulin, RUS	v. CMR 1993
30''	Oleg Kuzhlev, URS	v. CHN 1985
53''	Mamadou Bagayoko, MLI	v. NGA 1999
58''	Sergi Roberto, ESP	v. AUS 2011

Fastest goals in a final (minutes)

Minutes	Player	Match	Year
5'	Barkero, ESP	v. JPN	1999
5'	Oscar, BRA	v. POR	2011
6'	Diego Colotto, ARG	v. GHA	2001
9'	Alex, POR	v. POR	2011
14'	Javier Saviola, ARG	v. GHA	2001
14'	Pablo, ESP	v. JPN	1999
15'	Pablo Garcia, URU	v. ARG	1997
15'	Emmanuel Duah, GHA	v. BRA	1993

Most penalty goals

#	Player	Year
3	Eddie JOHNSON, USA	2003
3	Vladimir KOMAN, HUN	2009
3	Javier SAVIOLA, ARG	2001
2	ADAILTON, BRA	1997
2	Oleksandr ALIYEV, UKR	2005
2	Taher AMER, EGY	1981
2	Fernando CAVENAGHI, ARG	2003
2	CHEN Tao, CHN	2005
2	Giovanni DOS SANTOS, MEX	2007
2	Sergei KHUDOJLOV, URS	1985
2	Arouna KONE, CIV	2003
2	Erik LAMELA, ARG	2011
2	Joe MCLEOD, SCO	1987
2	Lionel MESSI, ARG	2005
2	NELSON OLIVEIRA, POR	2011
2	Aaron NIGUEZ, ESP	2009
2	Camilo PINO, CHI	1987
2	Attila PINTER, HUN	1985
2	Juan RIQUELME, ARG	1997
2	James RODRIGUEZ, COL	2011
2	Steven SNOW, USA	1989
2	Marcel WITECZEK, FRG	1987

Fastest substitutions

Minutes	Player	Match	Year
4'	Ramiro Corrales, USA	v. GHA	1997
6'	Younes Ahmed, QAT	v. URU	1981
7'	Chaabane Djenadi, ALG	v. ARG	1979
8'	Carlos Diaz, URU	v. MLI	1999
8'	Jorge Couto, POR	v. TCH	1989
9'	Mohamed Mouktar, GHA	v. CHN	1997
9'	Nelson, POR	v. BRA	1991

Fastest cautions

Minutes	Player	Match	Year
1'	Lukas Kuban, CZE	v. ARG	2007
1'	Grygoriy Yarmash, UKR	v. NGA	2005
1'	Anthony Grbac, AUS	v. CHI	1987
1'	Osaro Obobaifo, NGA	v. BRA	1985
2'	Sameehg Doutie, RSA	v. HON	2009
2'	Fabio Sciacca, ITA	v. TRI	2009
2'	Semih Aydilek, GER	v. KOR	2009
2'	Mohamed Cisse, CIV	v. IRL	2003
2'	Youssef Safri, MAR	v. URU	1997
2'	Rashid Al Muhazaa, QAT	v. RUS	1995
2'	Ransford Banini, GHA	v. BRA	1993

Fastest expulsions

Minutes	Player	Match	Year
2'	Carlos Felipe, POR	v. HON	1995
4'	Melli, ESP	v. BRA	2003
6'	Tariq Al Jumah, JOR	v. ZAM	2007
15'	Gary Medel, CHI	v. ARG	2007
17'	Nery Turcios, HON	v. MAR	2005

First stage statistics

No goals scored

Team	Year
Canada	1985, 2001, 2007
England	1999, 2003, 2011
Austria	1983, 2011
Egypt	2005
Guinea	1979
Honduras	2005
Indonesia	1979
Iran	2001
Korea DPR	2011
Mali	2011
Morocco	1977
Norway	1993
Panama	2011
Saudi Arabia	1987
Tahiti	2009
Trinidad and Tobago	1991
United Arab Emirates	2003
Uruguay	1991

Most goals against

#	Team	Year
21	Tahiti	2009
16	Indonesia	1979
15	Honduras	2005
14	Honduras	1995
14	Korea Republic	1997
12	Trinidad and Tobago	1991
11	Costa Rica	1997
11	Guatemala	2011
10	Austria	1983
10	Guinea	1979
10	Honduras	1999
10	United Arab Emirates	1997

Most goals scored

#	Team	Year
15	Brazil	1997
14	Argentina	2001
13	Spain	1995, 2005, 2009
12	Yugoslavia	1987
12	Nigeria	2011
11	Spain	2011
10	Argentina	1979, 1983
10	Brazil	1989, 2001
10	Japan	1997
10	Poland	1983

No goals against

Team	Year
Argentina	1983, 2007, 2011
Brazil	1995, 2005
Portugal	1991, 2011
Spain	1991, 2009
Uruguay	1979, 1981
Australia	1991
Burkina Faso	2003
Chile	2007
Colombia	2005
England	2011
Iraq	1989
Nigeria	2007
USA	2005

First stage statistics

100% wins

Team	Year
Spain	2011, 2009, 2005, 1997, 1995
Argentina	2003, 2001, 1983, 1979
Brazil	2001, 1997, 1989, 1985
Uruguay	1981, 1979, 1977
Colombia	2011, 2005
Portugal	1995, 1991
Australia	1991
China PR	2005
Costa Rica	2001
England	1997
Germany FR	1987
Iraq	1989
Mexico	2007
Netherlands	2005
Nigeria	2011
Soviet Union	1989
Yugoslavia	1987

100% losses

Team	Year
Honduras	2005, 1999, 1995
Canada	2007, 2001
Panama	2005, 2003
Australia	2009
Austria	1983
Croatia	2011
Egypt	2005
England	1999
Ethiopia	2001
Guinea	1979
Hungary	1997
Indonesia	1979
Iran	2001
Ireland Republic	1985
Italy	1981
Kazakhstan	1999
Malaysia	1997
Mali	2011
Mexico	1985
Morocco	1977
New Zealand	2007
Portugal	1993
Saudi Arabia	1987
Scotland	2007
Tahiti	2009
Togo	1987
Trinidad and Tobago	1991
Tunisia	1985
URS	1983
Uzbekistan	2003

Ranking by tournament

	2011	2009	2007	2005	2003	2001	1999	1997	1995	1993	1991	1989	1987	1985	1983	1981	1979	1977
1	BRA	GHA	ARG	ARG	BRA	ARG	ESP	ARG	ARG	BRA	POR	POR	YUG	BRA	BRA	FRG	ARG	URS
2	POR	BRA	CZE	NGA	ESP	GHA	JPN	URU	BRA	GHA	BRA	NGA	FRG	ESP	ARG	QAT	URS	MEX
3	MEX	HUN	CHI	BRA	COL	EGY	MLI	IRL	POR	ENG	URS	BRA	GDR	NGA	POL	ROU	URU	BRA
4	FRA	CRC	AUT	MAR	ARG	PAR	URU	GHA	ESP	AUS	AUS	USA	CHI	URS	KOR	ENG	POL	URU
5	NGA	GER	MEX	NED	USA	BRA	GHA	BRA	CMR	MEX	ESP	URS	ITA	MEX	URU	URU	PAR	PAR
6	COL	KOR	ESP	ITA	JPN	FRA	MEX	ESP	RUS	URU	SYR	IRQ	SCO	BUL	SCO	BRA	ESP	HON
7	ESP	ITA	USA	ESP	UAE	CZE	BRA	FRA	AUS	RUS	MEX	ARG	BRA	CHN	TCH	AUS	POR	ESP
8	ARG	UAE	NGA	GER	CAN	NED	NGA	JPN	JPN	USA	KOR*	COL	BUL	COL	NED	EGY	ALG	FRA
9	EGY	ESP	JPN	COL	IRL	CRC	IRL	ENG	NED	GER	EGY	TCH	COL	HUN	AUS	ARG	KOR	IRN
10	KSA	CZE	GAM	CHN	AUS	GER	PAR	AUS	CRC	KOR	ENG	KSA	CAN	KSA	NGA	POL	YUG	HUN
11	CMR	URU	ZAM	USA	BFA	UKR	USA	MAR	SYR	KSA	SWE	NOR	USA	AUS	USA	MEX	MEX	IRQ
12	ECU	VEN	URU	UKR	SVK	ANG	CMR	MEX	GER	CMR	IRL	GDR	AUS	PAR	CHN	KOR	JPN	ITA
13	KOR	EGY	CGO	SYR	PAR	USA	POR	BEL	CHN	COL	CIV	SYR	BHR	ENG	MEX	ESP	CAN	CIV
14	ENG	PAR	POL	TUR	CIV	ECU	CRO	CAN	QAT	NOR	ARG	CRC	NGA	CAN	CIV	CMR	HUN	TUN
15	CRC	RSA	POR	CHI	EGY	CHN	CRC	USA	BDI	TUR	URU	ESP	KSA	IRL	URS	USA	GUI	AUT
16	GUA	NGA	BRA	JPN	KOR	AUS	ARG	UAE	HON	POR	TRI	MLI	TOG	TUN	AUT	ITA	IDN	MAR
17	NZL	HON	CRC	KOR	GER	JPN	ZAM	PAR										
18	URU	USA	KOR	BEN	MLI	FIN	GER	CHI										
19	AUS	CMR	PRK	SUI	CZE	IRQ	KOR	CIV										
20	PAN	TRI/UZB	JOR	AUS	KSA	CHI	AUS	RSA										
21	PRK		PAN	CAN	ENG	JAM	KSA	CRC										
22	AUT	ENG	NZL	EGY	MEX	ETH	ENG	KOR										
23	CRO	AUS	SCO	PAN	UZB	IRN	HON	HUN										
24	MLI	TAH	CAN	HON	PAN	CAN	KAZ	MAS										