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# FIFA World Cup 2026 in Canada, Mexico & USA – statistics & facts

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**\$440M**

TOTAL PRIZE POOL -  
\$40M UP FROM  
RUSSIA 2018

**\$655M**

TOTAL 2026 PRIZE  
POOL - 50% UP FROM  
QATAR 2022

**1,877**

FRANCE #1 - 1,877.32  
POINTS (UP 2  
PLACES)

**\$1.84B**

2022 NET INCOME  
(RECORD)

## ABOUT THIS DOSSIER

# FIFA World Cup 2026 in Canada, Mexico & USA – statistics & facts

FIFA World Cup 2026 statistics: 48 teams, 104 matches across 16 cities in USA, Canada & Mexico, \$11B+ economic impact, \$1B+ prize pool & tournament data.

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## Distribution

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1.1

### FIFA World Cup 2022 Prize Money Distribution – \$440M Total, \$42M for Argentina

Updated May 27, 2026

**\$440M**

TOTAL PRIZE POOL - \$40M UP FROM RUSSIA 2018

**\$42M**

ARGENTINA - CHAMPION PRIZE, HIGHEST EVER AT THAT TIME

**\$30M**

FRANCE - RUNNER-UP PRIZE

**\$9M**

MINIMUM PRIZE - EVERY GROUP STAGE TEAM GUARANTEED

**\$25M**

MOROCCO - 4TH PLACE, RECORD FOR AFRICAN NATION

**\$209M**

CLUB BENEFIT PROGRAMME - PAID TO 440 CLUBS

Argentina won \$42M at World Cup 2022. Runner-up France \$30M. Group exit: \$9M each. Full \$440M prize distribution by stage, team, and confederation.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/prize-money-distribution-qatar-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/prize-money-distribution-qatar-world-cup)

1.2

### Distribution of Games at FIFA World Cup 2026 by Location – All 16 Host Cities

Updated May 25, 2026

**9**

DALLAS - MOST MATCHES OF ANY CITY (AT&T STADIUM)

**78**

USA MATCHES - 75% OF ALL 104 (11 HOST CITIES)

**13**

MEXICO MATCHES - 3 CITIES (MEXICO CITY, GUADALAJARA, MONTERREY)

**13**

CANADA MATCHES - 2 CITIES (TORONTO, VANCOUVER)



Dallas and Atlanta lead with 9 and 8 matches each. USA hosts 78 of 104 total. Mexico and Canada host 13 each. Full match distribution by city and country.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/matches-fifa-world-cup-city-country](https://businessstats.com/matches-fifa-world-cup-city-country)

### 1.3

## FIFA World Cup 2026 Host Cities Distribution – USA 11, Canada 2, Mexico 3

Updated May 23, 2026

**16**

TOTAL HOST CITIES ACROSS THREE COUNTRIES

**92,542**

ROSE BOWL LA - LARGEST VENUE CAPACITY

**11**

US HOST CITIES - 78 MATCHES (75% OF TOTAL)

**\$3.3B**

NEW YORK/NJ - HIGHEST CITY ECONOMIC IMPACT

**78**

USA MATCHES OUT OF 104 TOTAL

16 host cities. 3 countries. 1 World Cup final at MetLife Stadium. The USA hosts 75% of all matches across 11 cities while Mexico gets the opening game at Estadio Azteca. Full host city breakdown, stadium capacities, match allocation, and \$13B+ economic impact data.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-host-cities-countries](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-host-cities-countries)



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## World Cup

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2.1

### FIFA World Cup Total Prize Pool 2002-2026 — \$40M to \$655M

Updated May 26, 2026

**\$655M**

TOTAL 2026 PRIZE POOL - 50% UP  
FROM QATAR 2022

**\$50M**

CHAMPION PRIZE 2026 - ALL-TIME  
RECORD

**\$9M**

GROUP STAGE MINIMUM - EVERY  
TEAM GUARANTEED

**\$40M**

TOTAL PRIZE POOL 2002 - 1,538%  
GROWTH IN 24 YEARS

**\$727M**

TOTAL FUND INCL. PREP BONUSES  
AND CLUB BENEFITS

**\$215M**

INCREASE VS QATAR 2022 -  
BIGGEST JUMP IN HISTORY

FIFA World Cup prize pool grew from \$40M (2002) to \$655M (2026). Winner gets \$50M. Group exit gets \$9M. Full breakdown by stage 2002-2026.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-prize-pot](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-prize-pot)

2.2

### Confederation With Most Teams at FIFA World Cup 2026 – UEFA 16, CAF 10, AFC 9

9

Updated May 25, 2026

**16**

UEFA (EUROPE) - MOST TEAMS, 33%  
OF TOTAL FIELD

**10**

CAF (AFRICA) - DOUBLED FROM 5 AT  
QATAR 2022

**9**

AFC (ASIA) - NEARLY DOUBLED  
FROM 4.5 AT QATAR 2022

**6**

CONMEBOL - 6 OF 10 SOUTH  
AMERICAN NATIONS (60%)

**6**

CONCACAF - INCLUDING 3 CO-  
HOSTS (USA, MEXICO, CANADA)

**1**

OFC - NEW ZEALAND, FIRST  
GUARANTEED OCEANIA SPOT



UEFA leads with 16 teams. CAF doubled from 5 to 10. AFC nearly doubled to 9. Full 48-team World Cup 2026 breakdown by confederation.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-teams-confederations](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-teams-confederations)

## 2.3

### Top Teams Most Likely to Win FIFA World Cup 2026 – Odds and Chances

Updated May 24, 2026

**20%**

SPAIN - HIGHEST WIN PROBABILITY  
(+400 BETMGM)

**18.2%**

FRANCE - #2 FAVORITE (+450)

**14.3%**

ENGLAND - BEST ODDS OF ANY  
NON-WINNER (+600)

**2.4%**

USA - HOST NATION ODDS (+4000-  
6000)

**\$370M**

PREDICTION MARKET TRADING  
VOLUME (KALSHI + POLYMARKET)

**0/5**

#1 RANKED TEAM HAS WON 0 OF  
LAST 5 WORLD CUPS

Spain 20% chance. France 18%. England 14%. But the #1 ranked team has NEVER won any of the last 5 World Cups. Who wins in 2026? Full odds and analysis.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/win-probability-fifa-world-cup-teams](https://businessstats.com/win-probability-fifa-world-cup-teams)

## 2.4

### Share of US Adults Planning to Buy FIFA World Cup 2026 Tickets – Survey Data

Updated May 24, 2026

**14%**

US ADULTS PLAN TO BUY TICKETS  
(YOUNGOV APRIL 2026)

**78%**

US ADULTS SAY NO TO BUYING  
TICKETS

**75%**

PLAN TO FOLLOW TOURNAMENT IN  
SOME WAY (PERFORMANCE  
RESEARCH)

**41%**

GEN Z (18-29) INTEREST - HIGHEST  
AGE GROUP

**57%**

CITE TICKET PRICES AS BIGGEST  
BARRIER

**32%**

PLAN TO ACTIVELY WATCH  
(NUMERATOR MAY 2026)

Only 14% of US adults plan to buy World Cup 2026 tickets. 78% say no. But 75% plan to follow. Gen Z leads at 41% interest. Full survey data and fan sentiment.



Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/world-cup-interest-us-2026](https://businessstats.com/world-cup-interest-us-2026)

## 2.5

### FIFA World Cup 2026 Investment Budget Breakdown – \$3.76B by Segment

Updated May 24, 2026

**\$3.76B**

TOTAL FIFA INVESTMENT BUDGET -  
WORLD CUP 2026

**\$1.12B**

OPERATIONS - LARGEST SEGMENT  
(30%)

**\$1.02B**

PRIZES AND FINANCIAL  
CONTRIBUTIONS (27%)

**\$813M**

TEAM SERVICES - 48 TEAMS  
ACROSS 39 DAYS (22%)

**\$655M**

PRIZE POOL WITHIN PRIZES  
SEGMENT (+50% VS 2022)

**\$86M**

ADMINISTRATION - JUST 2% OF  
TOTAL BUDGET

FIFA spending \$3.76B on World Cup 2026. Operations \$1.12B. Prizes \$1.02B. Team services \$813M. Full budget breakdown by segment from FIFA-WTO March 2025.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/investment-budget-fifa-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/investment-budget-fifa-world-cup)

## 2.6

### FIFA World Cup 2026 Spending by Source – \$13.9B Total Expenditure Breakdown

Updated May 23, 2026

**\$13.9B**

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE -  
FIFA-WTO MARCH 2025

**\$6.2B**

TOURIST/VISITOR SPENDING -  
LARGEST SHARE (45%)

**\$3.76B**

FIFA OPERATIONAL SPENDING (27%  
OF TOTAL)

**\$4.264B**

TV BROADCASTING RIGHTS  
REVENUE - RECORD

**+216%**

MATCHDAY REVENUE INCREASE VS  
QATAR 2022

**\$655M**

PRIZE POOL (+50% VS QATAR 2022  
\$440M)

\$13.9B total spending. \$6.2B from tourists. \$3B matchday revenue (+216% vs Qatar). Full FIFA World Cup 2026 expenditure breakdown by source.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-investment-spending](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-investment-spending)



2.7

## FIFA World Cup 2026 Statistics and Facts – USA, Mexico, Canada Host Nations

Updated May 23, 2026

**48**

TEAMS - FIRST 48-TEAM WORLD CUP (EXPANDED FROM 32 IN QATAR 2022)

**104**

TOTAL MATCHES - UP FROM 64 IN 32-TEAM TOURNAMENTS

**16**

HOST CITIES - 11 IN USA, 3 IN CANADA, 2 IN MEXICO

**\$13B**

FIFA REVENUE CYCLE 2023-2026 - HIGHEST WORLD CUP EVER

**1.8B**

PROJECTED FINAL VIEWERS - NEW ALL-TIME VIEWERSHIP RECORD

The biggest World Cup ever is here. 48 teams. 104 matches. \$150B in betting. A single ticket resold for \$143,750. FIFA World Cup 2026 across USA, Mexico and Canada breaks every record - \$13B revenue cycle, \$655M prize pool, 500 million ticket requests. Here are the numbers behind the spectacle

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/2026-fifa-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/2026-fifa-world-cup)



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## More statistics

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3.1

### Highest-Ranked Men National Soccer Teams 2026 – FIFA World Ranking April 2026

Updated May 24, 2026

**1,877**

FRANCE #1 - 1,877.32 POINTS (UP 2 PLACES)

**0.92**

POINTS GAP #1 TO #2 - TIGHTEST EVER

**12/20**

UEFA TEAMS IN TOP 20 - EUROPEAN DOMINANCE

**16th**

USA RANKING - HOST NATION POSITION

**8th**

MOROCCO - HIGHEST RANKED AFRICAN TEAM

**18th**

JAPAN - HIGHEST RANKED ASIAN TEAM

France #1 by just 0.92 points over Spain. Argentina #3. The tightest top-3 battle ever. Full FIFA men's ranking April 2026 with points and data.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/world-ranking-of-national-soccer-teams](https://businessstats.com/world-ranking-of-national-soccer-teams)

3.2

### World Cup Winners Prize Money Hit \$50M as Spain Won 2026

Updated Oct 18, 2026

**\$50M**

SPAIN, 2026 CHAMPION

**\$33M**

ARGENTINA, RUNNER UP

**\$17M**

VALUE OF WINNING THE FINAL

**7.6%**

CHAMPION SHARE OF \$655M

**\$50.5M**

FRANCE 2018 IN JULY 2026 DOLLARS

**\$80M**

SPAIN, TWO TITLES COMBINED



Spain earned a record \$50M for the 2026 World Cup, \$17M more than Argentina. Every champion prize since 2010, its share of the pot and value after inflation.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-winners-prize-money](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-winners-prize-money)

### 3.3

## All Time World Cup Table 1930-2022 – Brazil Top With 247 Points

Updated May 27, 2026

**247**

BRAZIL - 1ST ALL-TIME, 5 TITLES,  
22/22 EDITIONS

**225**

GERMANY - 2ND, 4 TITLES, 21  
EDITIONS

**158**

ARGENTINA - 3RD AFTER QATAR  
2022 WIN

**237**

BRAZIL GOALS - MOST BY ANY  
NATION EVER

**8**

NATIONS THAT HAVE WON THE  
WORLD CUP IN 92 YEARS

**80+**

NATIONS HAVE COMPETED AT  
LEAST ONCE 1930-2022

Brazil top the all-time World Cup table with 247 points. Germany 2nd (225pts), Argentina 3rd (158pts). Full sortable table for all nations 1930-2022.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/all-time-standings-of-national-soccer-teams-at-the-world-cup-since-1930](https://businessstats.com/all-time-standings-of-national-soccer-teams-at-the-world-cup-since-1930)

### 3.4

## Total Cost of Hosting the World Cup 1994-2022 – \$0.5B USA to \$220B Qatar

Updated May 30, 2026

**\$220B**

QATAR 2022 - MOST EXPENSIVE  
WORLD CUP AND SPORTING EVENT  
EVER

**\$15B**

BRAZIL 2014 - SECOND MOST  
EXPENSIVE, SPARKED MASS  
PROTESTS

**\$11.6B**

RUSSIA 2018 - THIRD MOST  
EXPENSIVE WORLD CUP

**\$0.5B**

USA 1994 - CHEAPEST, USED  
EXISTING STADIUMS

**19x**

QATAR COST MULTIPLE VS THE  
PREVIOUS WORLD CUP

**\$6.5-10B**

QATAR STADIUM COST - REST WAS  
NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE



USA 1994: \$0.5B. Qatar 2022: \$220B. A 440x cost explosion in 28 years. Full hosting cost for every World Cup with stadium and infrastructure breakdown.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/world-cup-host-total-costs](https://businessstats.com/world-cup-host-total-costs)

3.5

## FiFa World Cup 2026 Tourism Impact: 6.8M Fans, Overseas Trips -7%

Updated Oct 11, 2026

**6.81M**

STADIUM ATTENDANCE

**99.7%**

SEATS FILLED

**-7.0%**

US OVERSEAS ARRIVALS, JULY

**\$680M**

EXTRA US ROOM REVENUE

**+28.6%**

CANADA ARRIVALS FROM TEAM  
NATIONS

**\$3.5B**

NY AND NJ ECONOMIC IMPACT

World Cup 2026 tourism results: 6.81M fans and \$680M extra US hotel room revenue, yet overseas arrivals to the US fell 7% in July. Forecasts vs actual data.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-2026-tourism-impact](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-2026-tourism-impact)



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## FIFA

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4.1

### FIFA Net Income 2015–2026: World Cup Years Drive Profit

Updated Jun 9, 2026

**\$1.84B**

2022 NET INCOME (RECORD)

**\$1.82B**

2018 NET INCOME

**-\$601M**

2020 LOSS (PANDEMIC)

**\$13B**

2023-26 CYCLE REVENUE

**4-yr**

WORLD CUP CYCLE

**\$3B+**

2026 PROJECTED

FIFA's net income swings with its four-year cycle: losses in non-World Cup years and profits over \$1.8 billion in 2018 and 2022, with a record 2026 projected.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-net-income](https://businessstats.com/fifa-net-income)

4.2

### How Does FIFA Pay Clubs and Teams? World Cup Contributions 2002–2022

Updated May 29, 2026

**\$649M+**TOTAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS  
TO TEAMS AND CLUBS AT QATAR  
2022**\$440M**QATAR 2022 PRIZE POOL -  
DISTRIBUTED TO 32 NATIONAL  
TEAMS**\$209M**2022 CLUB BENEFIT PROGRAMME -  
440 CLUBS IN 51 COUNTRIES**\$4.6M**MANCHESTER CITY - HIGHEST CLUB  
PAYMENT AT QATAR 2022**\$355M**2026 CLUB BENEFIT PROGRAMME -  
CONFIRMED BY FIFA/ECA**0 to \$209M**CLUB BENEFIT PROGRAMME  
GROWTH: 2002 LAUNCHED IN 2010

FIFA paid \$649M+ to clubs and national teams at Qatar 2022 - including \$209M just to clubs. Club payments grew from \$0 in 2002. Full data, 4 programmes.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-prize-money](https://businessstats.com/fifa-world-cup-prize-money)



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## Women World

5 reports

5.1

### Womens World Cup 2023 Prize Money per Team, \$2.25M to \$10.5M

Updated Oct 18, 2026

**\$110M**

TEAM PRIZE FUND

**\$10.5M**

SPAIN, CHAMPIONS

**\$2.25M**

EACH GROUP STAGE EXIT

**\$270K**

PER SPAIN PLAYER

**\$49.0M**

EARMARKED FOR PLAYERS

**\$52.0M**

UEFA TEAMS COMBINED

Exact 2023 Womens World Cup payout for all 32 nations: Spain \$10.5M, England \$7.5M, players \$30K to \$270K each. Sortable table, confederation totals, FIFPRO.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-prize-money-breakdown](https://businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-prize-money-breakdown)

5.2

### Womens World Cup Prize Money Is Up 19x. Will 2027 Hit \$655M?

Updated Oct 18, 2026

**\$110M**

2023 PRIZE POOL

**\$5.8M**

FIRST POOL, 2007

**19x**

GROWTH 2007 TO 2023

**25%**

SHARE OF MEN POOL, 2023

**\$655M**

MEN POOL 2026, PARITY MARK

FIFA paid \$5.8M in 2007 and \$110M in 2023. Eight months before Brazil 2027 no fund is set: what parity with the \$655M men pool would mean, edition by edition.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-prize-money](https://businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-prize-money)



### 5.3

## Most Women's World Cup Appearances: Lilly's 30 Matches

Updated Jun 16, 2026

**30**

LILLY'S MATCHES (RECORD)

**7**

FORMIGA'S TOURNAMENTS

**24**

LILLY'S MATCH WINS

**24yrs**

FORMIGA'S SPAN

**41**

OLDEST APPEARANCE (AGE)

**5**

PLAYERS WITH 6+ EDITIONS

Kristine Lilly holds the Women's World Cup appearance record with 30 matches, while Brazil's Formiga played a record seven tournaments from 1995 to 2019.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/most-womens-world-cup-appearances](https://businessstats.com/most-womens-world-cup-appearances)

### 5.4

## Women's World Cup Top Scorers: Marta's 17 Goals Lead

Updated Jun 16, 2026

**17**

MARTA'S GOALS (RECORD)

**14**

PRINZ & WAMBACH

**10**

AKERS IN 1991 (SINGLE WC)

**5**

GOALS IN ONE MATCH

**~440**

PLAYERS HAVE SCORED

**1,000+**

TOTAL GOALS SINCE 1991

Marta leads all-time Women's World Cup scoring with 17 goals, ahead of Birgit Prinz and Abby Wambach on 14, across nine tournaments from 1991 to 2023.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-top-scorers-all-time](https://businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-top-scorers-all-time)



5.5

## Women World Cup Winners by Country: USA 4 Titles Lead

Updated Jun 9, 2026

|                                 |                            |                                 |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| <b>4</b><br>USA TITLES (MOST)   | <b>2</b><br>GERMANY TITLES | <b>9</b><br>EDITIONS PLAYED     |
| <b>5</b><br>DIFFERENT CHAMPIONS | <b>32</b><br>TEAMS IN 2023 | <b>1</b><br>SPAIN'S FIRST TITLE |

The USA has won the most FIFA Women's World Cup titles with four, ahead of Germany's two, while Norway, Japan and Spain have each won one from 1991 to 2023.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-title-winners](https://businessstats.com/womens-world-cup-title-winners)



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## Players

5 reports

6.1

### Which Club Had the Most Players at World Cup 2022? Top Clubs

Updated May 31, 2026

**17**

BARCELONA PLAYERS - THE MOST OF ANY CLUB, AN ALL-TIME RECORD

**16**

BAYERN MUNICH AND MANCHESTER CITY - TIED FOR SECOND

**15**

AL-SADD (QATAR) - THE TOP HOST-NATION CLUB

**302**

DIFFERENT CLUBS SUPPLIED PLAYERS TO WORLD CUP 2022

**8**

NATIONS BARCELONA'S 17 PLAYERS REPRESENTED

**830**

TOTAL PLAYERS AT THE TOURNAMENT ACROSS 32 SQUADS

Barcelona had the most players at World Cup 2022 with 17, an all-time record, ahead of Bayern Munich and Manchester City (16). Full ranking of clubs by players.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/clubs-most-world-cup-players](https://businessstats.com/clubs-most-world-cup-players)

6.2

### Which League Sent the Most Players to World Cup 2022? Top Leagues

Updated May 31, 2026

**136**

PREMIER LEAGUE PLAYERS - THE MOST OF ANY LEAGUE AT QATAR 2022

**83**

LA LIGA PLAYERS - SECOND, BUT FAR BEHIND THE PREMIER LEAGUE

**830**

TOTAL PLAYERS AT WORLD CUP 2022 - ACROSS ALL 32 SQUADS

**56**

DIFFERENT LEAGUES REPRESENTED AT THE TOURNAMENT

**302**

CLUBS THAT SUPPLIED PLAYERS TO WORLD CUP 2022

**35**

MLS PLAYERS - THE TOP NON-EUROPEAN LEAGUE AT QATAR 2022



The Premier League sent the most players to World Cup 2022 with 136, almost double La Liga's 83. Full ranking of the top leagues at Qatar 2022.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/league-most-world-cup-players](https://businessstats.com/league-most-world-cup-players)

### 6.3

## Who Was the Most Valuable Player at World Cup 2022? Player Values

Updated May 30, 2026

### EUR 202M

JUDE BELLINGHAM - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER AT WORLD CUP 2022

### 19

BELLINGHAM'S AGE - YOUNGEST-EVER MOST VALUABLE WC PLAYER

### EUR 201M

VINICIUS JUNIOR - BRAZIL'S TOP PLAYER, SECOND OVERALL

### EUR 165.6M

HAALAND - MOST VALUABLE PLAYER WHO MISSED THE TOURNAMENT

### EUR 185M

KYLIAN MBAPPE - FRANCE'S MOST VALUABLE, 4TH OVERALL

### 13.5%

BELLINGHAM'S SHARE OF ENGLAND'S ENTIRE SQUAD VALUE

Jude Bellingham was the most valuable player at World Cup 2022 (EUR 202M), just ahead of Vinicius Junior and Phil Foden. Full ranking of the top players.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/top-player-market-value-qatar-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/top-player-market-value-qatar-world-cup)

### 6.4

## Players With the Most World Cup Appearances 1930-2022 – Messi 26, Matthaus 25

Updated May 28, 2026

### 26

MESSI - ALL-TIME RECORD, 5 TOURNAMENTS 2006-2022

### 23

MALDINI - ITALY, 4 TOURNAMENTS, MOST WITHOUT WINNING

### 25

MATTHAUS - GERMANY, 5 TOURNAMENTS 1982-1998

### 2216

MALDINI - RECORD WORLD CUP MINUTES PLAYED

### 24

KLOSE - GERMANY, 4 TOURNAMENTS 2002-2014

### 5

GERMANY PLAYERS IN ALL-TIME TOP 15 - MORE THAN ANY NATION



Messi holds the World Cup appearance record with 26 matches (5 tournaments). Matthaus 2nd (25), Klose 3rd (24), Maldini 4th (23). Full table 1930-2022.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/players-most-matches-fifa-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/players-most-matches-fifa-world-cup)

6.5

## Players With the Most World Cup Goals 1930-2022 – Klose 16 Goals All-Time Record

Updated May 27, 2026

**16**

MIROSLAV KLOSE - ALL-TIME  
RECORD, GERMANY, 4  
TOURNAMENTS

**15**

RONALDO - BRAZIL, 4  
TOURNAMENTS 1994-2006

**13**

JUST FONTAINE - ALL IN ONE  
TOURNAMENT (1958)

**13**

LIONEL MESSI - 5 TOURNAMENTS  
2006-2022

**12**

KYLIAN MBAPPE - 2 TOURNAMENTS,  
CLOSEST ACTIVE CHALLENGER

**2.17**

JUST FONTAINE GOALS PER GAME -  
MOST PROLIFIC EVER

Klose holds the World Cup record with 16 goals. Ronaldo 2nd (15), Gerd Muller 3rd (14). Messi and Fontaine joint 4th (13). Full top scorers table 1930-2022.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/leading-scorers-at-the-fifa-world-cup-since-1930](https://businessstats.com/leading-scorers-at-the-fifa-world-cup-since-1930)



07

## Cup Titles

2 reports

7.1

### Most Club World Cup Titles: Real Madrid's 5 Lead 2000–2026

Updated Jun 16, 2026

5

REAL MADRID TITLES (RECORD)

3

BARCELONA TITLES

12

DIFFERENT WINNING CLUBS

21

EDITIONS, 2000-2025

8

SPANISH TITLES (MOST)

16

EUROPEAN WINS OF 21

Real Madrid has won the most FIFA Club World Cup titles with five, ahead of Barcelona's three, while Chelsea won the first 32-team edition in 2025.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/won-titles-at-the-club-world-cup-since-2000](https://businessstats.com/won-titles-at-the-club-world-cup-since-2000)

7.2

### Countries With the Most Men's World Cup Titles 1930–2022 – Brazil 5, Germany

4

Updated May 28, 2026

5

BRAZIL - MOST TITLES, 1958 TO 2002, ONLY 5-TIME CHAMPION

4

GERMANY AND ITALY - JOINT 2ND, 4 TITLES EACH

3

ARGENTINA - 3 TITLES AFTER QATAR 2022 WIN

8

NATIONS THAT HAVE WON THE WORLD CUP IN 92 YEARS

22

TOTAL WORLD CUP EDITIONS 1930-2022

0

AFRICAN, ASIAN, OR NORTH AMERICAN NATIONS TO WIN

Brazil have won the most World Cup titles with 5 (1958-2002). Germany and Italy follow with 4 each. Argentina 3rd with 3. Full title history 1930-2022.



Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/number-of-world-cup-titles-won-by-country-since-1930](https://businessstats.com/number-of-world-cup-titles-won-by-country-since-1930)



08

## Team

2 reports

8.1

### Which Team Had the Oldest Squad at World Cup 2022? Average Age

Updated May 31, 2026

**28.9**

IRAN - THE OLDEST SQUAD AT  
WORLD CUP 2022 (YEARS)

**24.7**

GHANA - THE YOUNGEST SQUAD AT  
WORLD CUP 2022 (YEARS)

**4.2**

YEAR SPREAD BETWEEN THE  
OLDEST AND YOUNGEST SQUADS

**27.7**

ARGENTINA - THE CHAMPIONS HAD  
ONE OF THE OLDER SQUADS

**40**

ALFREDO TALAVERA (MEXICO) - THE  
OLDEST PLAYER AT QATAR 2022

**18**

YOUSOUFA MOUKOKO (GERMANY)  
- THE YOUNGEST PLAYER

Iran had the oldest squad at World Cup 2022 (average age 28.9), while Ghana was the youngest at 24.7. Full ranking of all 32 teams by average player age.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/average-player-age-national-teams-qatar-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/average-player-age-national-teams-qatar-world-cup)

8.2

### Which World Cup 2022 Squad Was Worth the Most? Team Market Values

Updated May 30, 2026

**EUR 1.26B**

ENGLAND - MOST VALUABLE SQUAD  
AT WORLD CUP 2022

**EUR 1.14B**

BRAZIL - SECOND MOST VALUABLE  
SQUAD

**EUR 12.4B**

COMBINED VALUE OF ALL 32  
SQUADS (TRANSFERMARKT)

**EUR 14.9M**

QATAR - LEAST VALUABLE SQUAD  
OF THE 32 TEAMS

**7th**

ARGENTINA'S VALUE RANK - YET  
THEY WON THE TITLE

**85x**

ENGLAND'S SQUAD VALUE VS  
QATAR'S

England had the most valuable squad at World Cup 2022 (EUR 1.26B). All 32 teams ranked by market value, from Brazil and France to Qatar's EUR 14.9M.



Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/value-of-the-national-teams-at-the-qatar-world-cup](https://businessstats.com/value-of-the-national-teams-at-the-qatar-world-cup)



09

## Goals

2 reports

9.1

### Who Was the Top Scorer at World Cup 2022? Golden Boot Goals

Updated May 30, 2026

**8**

MBAPPE'S GOALS - GOLDEN BOOT  
WINNER AT WORLD CUP 2022

**2.69**

GOALS PER MATCH - ACROSS 64  
GAMES AT QATAR 2022

**7**

MESSI'S GOALS - 2ND, WON GOLDEN  
BALL AND THE TROPHY

**3**

MBAPPE'S FINAL HAT-TRICK - FIRST  
IN A WC FINAL SINCE 1966

**172**

TOTAL GOALS - A RECORD FOR A  
32-TEAM WORLD CUP

**4**

GOALS EACH - ALVAREZ AND  
GIROUD TIED FOR THIRD

Kylian Mbappe won the World Cup 2022 Golden Boot with 8 goals, including a final hat-trick, ahead of Messi (7). Full list of top scorers at Qatar 2022.

Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/world-cup-qatar-top-scorers](https://businessstats.com/world-cup-qatar-top-scorers)

9.2

### World Cup Goals Per Tournament: 172-Goal 2022 Record

Updated Sep 3, 2026

**172**

QATAR 2022 - RECORD TOTAL  
GOALS, 2.69 PER GAME

**2.21**

ITALY 1990 - LOWEST GOALS PER  
GAME IN MODERN ERA

**5.38**

SWITZERLAND 1954 - ALL-TIME  
GOALS PER GAME RECORD

**964**

TOTAL MATCHES PLAYED ACROSS  
ALL 22 EDITIONS

**2,720**

TOTAL GOALS ACROSS ALL 22  
WORLD CUPS 1930-2022

**2.82**

ALL-TIME AVERAGE GOALS PER  
MATCH (2,720 / 964)

Goals at every FIFA World Cup, 1930-2022: Qatar 2022 holds the record (172), 1954 the highest rate (5.38 per game), and 2,720 across 22 editions.



Full report with charts and data: [businessstats.com/number-of-goals-scored-at-fifa-world-cups-since-1930](https://businessstats.com/number-of-goals-scored-at-fifa-world-cups-since-1930)

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