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Head-to-head statistics

Each team's record against potential group stage opponents

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The statistics listed in this document include all A internationals played between the 16 final round participants. The games have been split into three categories: UEFA European Championship, FIFA World Cup and Others.

The first two categories include qualifying and final-round matches, while the third category refers to any other internationals including Olympic matches, up to and including the 1948 Games. The overall records only include results during normal playing time and extra time; results of penalty shoot-outs are not counted.

Further information including qualifying facts and team and coach profiles can be found in an additional press kit downloadable from the Media Services page inside the UEFA EURO 2012 section on UEFA.com:
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A Media Information System (MIS) has also been launched for this draw. The MIS has been built to become a one-stop shop for media content and information for the tournament. Within the MIS, all accredited media will be able to access relevant final draw and tournament information through streaming video, audio and video archives, statistics, transcripts, releases and news, resources, and the events calendar.

Media members will also be able to receive up to the minute operations information via customisable SMS and email subscription services, making the MIS a unique platform for media to stay informed on the latest developments of the final draw and tournament. Further details can be found via the above link.

UEFA EURO 2012 will be the last 16-team finals before the tournament expands to 24 participants in France in 2016. The UEFA European Championship started life as a four-team knockout competition in 1960, adding four more teams and a group stage in 1980 before adopting the current system of four groups of four and knockout stages from the quarter-finals onwards in 1996.

For statistical purposes, Germany's results include the Federal Republic of Germany; Russia, the Czech Republic and Croatia are considered only as independent nations rather than as part of the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia and Yugoslavia respectively.

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CROATIA

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	5	3
Total	2	1	1	0	5	3

Facts

- The nations played out a 1-1 draw in their first meeting at a tournament in Casablanca in December 1996, when Croatia won 4-1 on penalties to lift the King Hasan II Cup.
- Croatia forward Nikola Kalinić scored twice in a 4-2 friendly win in Pula in February, the only time the Czech Republic have conceded four goals in a game.
- Czech captain Tomáš Rosický scored his 20th and most recent international goal in that match.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.09.1997	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
29.03.1997	Split (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.06.1996	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	0
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	4
Others	2	1	0	1	2	2
Total	5	2	1	2	7	6

Facts

- The teams last met in a pre-UEFA EURO 2004 friendly in Copenhagen, the visitors prevailing 2-1 thanks to a winning goal from Ivica Olić.
- Their first meeting came at EURO '96 in England, Croatia confirming their place in the quarter-finals – after just two group games – with a 3-0 win against the holders as Davor Šuker stole the show with two goals and one assist.
- Denmark held Croatia 1-1 in Split before defeating them 3-1 in Copenhagen to top their 1998 FIFA World Cup qualifying group; Croatia joined them at the finals in France with a play-off win against Ukraine.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.09.2009	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-5
10.09.2008	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-4
21.11.2007	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
11.10.2006	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
21.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-4

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	0	1	7	6
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	9
Others	2	0	1	1	1	3
Total	7	2	1	4	10	18

Facts

- England overwhelmed Croatia 5-1 at Wembley on the last occasion the two teams met, securing their 2010 FIFA World Cup qualification; a 4-1 win in Zagreb 12 months earlier, featuring a hat-trick from Theo Walcott (his only senior international goals), had inflicted Croatia's first competitive defeat at the Maksimir Stadium.
- Defeated 4-2 by England in the final group game at UEFA EURO 2004, Croatia gained revenge by doing the double over the Three Lions in qualification for UEFA EURO 2008, a famous 3-2 win at Wembley eliminating England and ending the brief reign of coach Steve McClaren.
- Croatian internationals Luka Modrić, Vedran Ćorluka and Niko Kranjčar all play in England with Tottenham Hotspur FC while Ivan Klasnić is on the books of Bolton Wanderers FC.

Versus France

Meetings in official competitions

17.06.2004	Leiria (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 2-2
08.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	1	0	2	2
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Others	3	0	1	2	0	5
Total	5	0	2	3	3	9

Facts

- The sides' most recent encounter, a friendly in Paris on 29 March 2011, ended goalless.
- The teams were drawn in the same group at UEFA EURO 2004 and shared a 2-2 draw, David Trezeguet scoring the equaliser for France after Croatia had come from a goal behind to lead 2-1.
- The first meeting came in the semi-final of the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Stade de France; Davor Šuker, the tournament's top scorer, put Croatia in front but France replied immediately through Lilian Thuram, who also scored the winner – France's record cap-holder's only international goals.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
04.07.1998	Lyon (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 3-0
23.06.1996	Manchester (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	3
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	0
Others	5	0	1	4	4	15
Total	8	2	1	5	10	18

Facts

- Their first official encounter came in a EURO '96 quarter-final. Croatia were reduced to ten men after Igor Štimac's red card, and Germany scored the decisive goal soon after through 1996 Ballon d'Or winner Matthias Sammer.
- Croatia gained revenge two years later at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, unexpectedly winning another quarter-final by a 3-0 margin – after Germany defender Christian Wörns was sent off. Robert Jarni, Goran Vlaović and Davor Šuker scored the goals.
- Bastian Schweinsteiger saw red in added time when the teams met in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage, meaning a player has been dismissed in each of the sides' three competitive contests. By that stage Germany were 2-1 down, having fallen behind to Darijo Srna and Ivica Olić before Lukas Podolski pulled one back.

Versus Italy**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.06.2002	Ibaraki (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-1
08.10.1995	Split (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Palermo (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	1	0	3	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	1
Others	3	1	1	1	2	4
Total	6	3	2	1	7	7

Facts

- The sides' last competitive encounter was in the 2002 FIFA World Cup group stage. Although Croatia came from behind to win, Italy progressed from the section as Mirko Jozić's team finished third.
- They met in qualifying for EURO '96 with Davor Šuker and Igor Štimac on target in Croatia's 2-1 victory in Palermo; the second game in Split ended all-square.
- Their last contest was a friendly match in Livorno on 16 August 2006, Croatia winning 2-0 in Slaven Bilić's first match in charge. Eduardo and Luka Modrić got the goals in Italy's first outing after winning the 2006 FIFA World Cup.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	1
Others	1	0	0	1	0	3
Total	2	1	0	1	2	4

Facts

- Croatia won the first meeting between the sides, prevailing 2-1 in the 1998 FIFA World Cup third-place play-off. Davor Šuker scored the winner to secure the Golden Boot with six goals.
- Slaven Bilić played all 90 minutes of that tie and was coach when the teams met in February 2008.
- In that friendly, goals from John Heitinga, Klaas-Jan Huntelaar and Jan Vennegoor of Hesselink earned the Oranje a 3-0 win in Split.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	2	1	1	6	3
Total	5	3	1	1	7	3

Facts

- Croatia won when these sides met in the final round of group matches at UEFA EURO 2008. Ivan Klasnić scored the only goal, 15 months after undergoing the second of two kidney transplants.
- Croatia also have the upper hand in the four friendlies played so far, although Poland won the most recent, a 2006 FIFA World Cup warm-up game in which Euzebiusz Smolarek secured a 1-0 success.
- Current coach Slaven Bilić was in the team that beat Poland 4-1 in a friendly in April 1998.

Versus Republic of Ireland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
04.09.1999	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
05.09.1998	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	2
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	0	4	0	4	4
Total	6	1	4	1	5	6

Facts

- Croatia have won only one of the teams' six meetings, Davor Šuker scoring the only goal in the 90th minute of their UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier.
- Manchester United FC's Denis Irwin and Roy Keane struck as Ireland ran out 2-0 winners in Dublin in September 1998, Croatia's first competitive outing after their third-placed finish at the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- The countries drew 0-0 in a friendly at the Dublin Arena in August in their most recent fixture.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.06.2007	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
06.09.2006	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	2	0	0	0

Facts

- Both progressed to UEFA EURO 2008 from qualifying Group E. Their two head-to-head fixtures finished goalless.
- Croatia did Russia a huge favour by beating England 3-2 at Wembley in their final qualifying match. Croatia had already qualified and England needed only a draw to join them at Russia's expense.
- Croatia goalkeeper Stipe Pletikosa made 63 league appearances for FC Spartak Moskva between 2007 and 2010 and is currently at another Russian club, FC Rostov.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	1	1	2	3	6
Total	4	1	1	2	3	6

Facts

- All four of the teams' previous meetings have been friendly matches.
- Croatia's first victory away from home after regaining independence came against Spain in Valencia in March 1994. They won 2-0 with goals from Robert Prosinečki and Davor Šuker.
- The most recent match between the two nations was held on Swiss soil, in Geneva in June 2006. It was the final warm-up game for both countries before that year's FIFA World Cup. Spain came from behind to win 2-1 thanks to a last-minute goal from Fernando Torres.

Versus Ukraine

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.06.2009	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2008	Kharkiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
15.11.1997	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (play-off)	D 1-1
29.10.1997	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (play-off)	W 2-0
11.06.1995	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
25.03.1995	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	W 4-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	4	1
World Cup	4	1	3	0	5	3
Others	1	1	0	0	3	1
Total	7	3	3	1	12	5

Facts

- Paired three times in qualifying tournaments, most recently in the 2010 FIFA World Cup, sharing a couple of draws that kept them some distance behind group winners England; neither team reached the finals in South Africa.
- Croatia qualified for the finals of both EURO '96 and the 1998 FIFA World Cup at Ukraine's expense, securing their place at the latter (where they would finish third) with a 3-1 aggregate win in a two-legged play-off.
- Ukraine's record goalscorer Andriy Shevchenko made his international debut, aged 18, in the 4-0 defeat in Zagreb on 25 March 1995.

CZECH REPUBLIC

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	3	5
Total	2	0	1	1	3	5

Facts

- The nations played out a 1-1 draw in their first meeting at a tournament in Casablanca in December 1996, when Croatia won 4-1 on penalties to lift the King Hasan II Cup.
- Croatia forward Nikola Kalinić scored twice in a 4-2 friendly win in Pula last February, the only time the Czech Republic have conceded four goals in a game.
- Czech captain Tomáš Rosický scored his 20th and most recent international goal in that match.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	2	4
Total	2	0	1	1	2	4

Facts

- The Czech Republic were within seconds of claiming victory at Wembley in August 2008 against Fabio Capello's team before Joe Cole made it 2-2 in added time; the visitors had led twice thanks to Milan Baroš and Marek Jankulovski, Wes Brown replying with his only goal for England.
- The only previous meeting took place almost ten years earlier, Darren Anderton and Paul Merson scoring in the first half as England won 2-0 in what was to be manager Glenn Hoddle's final match in charge.
- England faced the former Czechoslovakia on 12 occasions, winning eight matches, including both meetings at the FIFA World Cup finals (1-0 in 1970, 2-0 in 1982), and losing just twice.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.10.2007	Munich (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
24.03.2007	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
23.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
30.06.1996	London (ENG)	EURO (final)	L 1-2 gg
09.06.1996	Manchester (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	2	0	3	7	7
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	1	0	0	1	2	3
Total	6	2	0	4	9	10

Facts

- Germany beat the Czech Republic twice at EURO '96, first in the group stage then in the final at Wembley thanks to Oliver Bierhoff's extra-time golden goal. The Wembley win was revenge of a sort after West Germany had lost the final of the 1976 UEFA European Championship to Czechoslovakia on penalties in Belgrade.
- The Czechs eliminated Germany from UEFA EURO 2004 with Milan Baroš coming off the bench to score the winning goal and give his team a maximum nine points from their three group games.
- The countries both qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 with ease from the same group. Each beat the other away from home, with Germany prevailing 2-1 in Prague thanks to a Kevin Kuranyi double and the Czech Republic winning 3-0 in Munich. The Czechs, who have not played Germany since, finished as group winners.

Versus Greece**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.07.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (semi-final)	L 0-1 sg

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	2	0	0	0
Total	4	0	2	2	0	1

Facts

- Greece beat the Czech Republic in the UEFA EURO 2004 semi-final with an extra-time silver goal from defender Traianos Dellas. It was his only international goal in 53 caps.
- Both friendlies between the two countries – in Ioannina on 17 April 2002 and Prague on 18 August 2004 – ended goalless, Karel Poborský becoming the first Czech player to win 100 caps in the latter encounter.
- The former Czechoslovakia defeated Greece in the group stage of the 1980 UEFA European Championship, winning 3-1 in Rome.

Versus Italy**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.2006	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-2
14.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	1
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	2
Others	2	1	1	0	3	2
Total	4	2	1	1	5	5

Facts

- Pavel Nedvěd scored his first international goal in the Czech Republic's 2-1 defeat of Italy at EURO '96.
- Nedvěd's last competitive appearance for his country was the 2-0 defeat by Italy that eliminated the Czech Republic from the 2006 FIFA World Cup; the Czechs played the second half with ten men following Jan Polák's red card, Marco Materazzi and Filippo Inzaghi getting the goals.
- The teams have been drawn in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying Group B.

Versus Netherlands**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.10.2005	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
08.09.2004	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
19.06.2004	Aveiro (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-2
10.09.2003	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
29.03.2003	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
26.04.1995	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
16.11.1994	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	6	3	2	1	10	6
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	4
Others	1	0	1	0	1	1
Total	9	3	3	3	11	11

Facts

- The pair qualified together for UEFA EURO 2004 (the Oranje via a play-off) and met again in Portugal, where the Czechs came from two goals down to win 3-2. Vladimír Šmicer settled the contest with an 88th-minute winning goal following John Heitinga's red card.
- The Netherlands did the double over the Czech Republic in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying, winning both matches 2-0 to qualify for the finals. The Czechs joined them by defeating Norway in a play-off.
- Czechoslovakia defeated the Netherlands 3-1 after extra time in the 1976 semi-finals, going on to defeat West Germany on penalties in the showpiece.

Versus Poland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
11.10.2008	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	2
Others	3	1	0	2	3	5
Total	5	2	0	3	6	7

Facts

- The teams met in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying and Poland won the first meeting 2-1 at home, with Paweł Brożek and Jakub Błaszczykowski scoring before Martin Fenin halved the deficit with his maiden international goal.
- The Czechs came out on top in the reverse fixture almost a year to the day later courtesy of second-half strikes from Tomáš Necid and Jaroslav Plašil.
- Poland have won the two most recent friendlies between the sides, triumphing 2-0 in Larnaca, Cyprus, in February 2008 and 2-1 in Warsaw in April 1999.

Versus Portugal**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.06.2008	Geneva (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-3
23.06.1996	Birmingham (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	1	2	3

Facts

- Karel Poborský's famous lob decided the EURO '96 quarter-final between the teams at Villa Park.
- The sides also met in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2008; Deco, Cristiano Ronaldo and Ricardo Quaresma scored in Portugal's 3-1 win in Geneva with Libor Sionko replying.
- Current Czech Republic coach Michal Bílek scored both goals when the former Czechoslovakia defeated Portugal 2-1 in qualifying for the 1990 FIFA World Cup in Prague.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
19.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 3-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	1	0	3	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	0	3	3

Facts

- Russia's sole point at EURO '96 came in a 3-3 draw with the Czech Republic at Anfield, Vladimír Šmicer – now part of the Czech coaching team – scoring the late equaliser to keep the eventual runners-up in the competition.
- The Soviet Union beat Czechoslovakia 3-0 in the semi-finals of the inaugural European Championship in 1960; Valentin Ivanov scored twice and Viktor Ponedelnik once.
- Russia coach Dick Advocaat recorded a home draw (1-1) and away defeat (1-3) against the Czech Republic during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying while in charge of the Netherlands; the Czechs were also 3-2 winners against his Dutch side at the finals in Portugal.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.10.2011	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
25.03.2011	Granada (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.06.1997	Valladolid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
09.10.1996	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	0	2	1	4
World Cup	2	0	1	1	0	1
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	0	1	3	1	5

Facts

- Spain qualified for the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Czechs' expense. The only goal in the two qualifying games was a penalty converted by Fernando Hierro; Raúl González won the first of his 102 caps in Prague in October 1996.
- The teams also met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying; David Villa scored twice for Spain in a 2-1 win in Granada with Juan Mata and Xabi Alonso on target in Spain's 2-0 away victory.
- Jaroslav Plašil, the Czech midfielder, was at Spanish club CA Osasuna between 2007 and 2009, scoring eight goals in 66 Liga appearances.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	4	5
Total	2	0	1	1	4	5

Facts

- The Czech Republic were held to a 3-3 friendly draw by Sweden in Teplice in November 2002, the visitors' Mikael Nilsson marking his international debut with two goals; he scored only one more in his 64 games for Sweden.
- Sweden's other goal in that draw came from current assistant coach Marcus Allbäck.
- Sweden won 2-1 in Gothenburg in September 2005; Czech striker Jan Koller converted a penalty for his 40th international goal, but Henrik Larsson and Markus Rosenberg gave the home team victory.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	1	1	0	0	4	0
Total	1	1	0	0	4	0

Facts

- The only meeting took place on 6 September 2011, the Czech Republic winning a Prague friendly 4-0 thanks to a Michal Kadlec double and first international strikes for Jan Rezek and Daniel Kolář.
- That defeat matched the heaviest in Ukraine's history (against Croatia in 1995 and Spain in 2006) and was the fourth in succession for Oleh Blokhin's side, the country's longest losing streak.
- Blokhin scored his fifth and last goal of 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifying in a 1-1 draw against Czechoslovakia on 29.11.1981 that enabled the USSR to advance to the finals in Spain unbeaten.

DENMARK

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.09.1997	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
29.03.1997	Split (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.06.1996	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	3
World Cup	2	1	1	0	4	2
Others	2	1	0	1	2	2
Total	5	2	1	2	6	7

Facts

- The teams last met in a pre-UEFA EURO 2004 friendly in Copenhagen, the visitors prevailing 2-1 thanks to a winning goal from Ivica Olić.
- Their first meeting came at EURO '96 in England, Croatia confirming their place in the quarter-finals – after just two group games – with a 3-0 win against the holders as Davor Šuker stole the show with two goals and one assist.
- Denmark held Croatia 1-1 in Split before defeating them 3-1 in Copenhagen to top their 1998 FIFA World Cup qualifying group; Croatia joined them at the finals in France with a play-off win against Ukraine.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
15.06.2002	Niigata (JPN)	World Cup (last 16)	L 0-3
11.06.1992	Malmö (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
21.09.1983	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
22.09.1982	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
12.09.1979	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
20.09.1978	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 3-4
15.05.1957	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-4
05.12.1956	Wolverhampton (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-5

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	1	2	2	6	7
World Cup	3	0	0	3	3	12
Others	12	3	2	7	13	19
Total	20	4	4	12	22	38

Facts

- England defeated Denmark 2-1 in a February 2011 friendly in Copenhagen, coming from behind to win a game noted for breakthrough international performances from teenagers Christian Eriksen (Denmark) and Jack Wilshere (England).
- The two countries' only meeting at a FIFA World Cup finals came in 2002, when England reached the last eight via a 3-0 win; it was the first competitive defeat of current Denmark coach Morten Olsen's reign.
- A penalty by Allan Simonsen gave Denmark a famous 1-0 win at Wembley on 21.09.1983, paving the way for the Scandinavian side to qualify for EURO '84 at England's expense.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
26.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (final)	W 2-0
14.06.1988	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
13.06.1986	Queretaro (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	0
Others	24	6	4	14	32	51
Total	27	8	4	15	36	53

Facts

- A 2-2 draw was the outcome when the northern European neighbours last met, Denmark recovering from 2-0 down in a Copenhagen friendly on 11.08.2010.
- The two teams have not contested a competitive game since the final of EURO '92, when tournament latecomers Denmark triumphed 2-0 against the odds in Gothenburg thanks to goals from midfielders John Jensen and Kim Vilfort.
- Their two other competitive encounters also finished 2-0, Denmark prevailing at the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico and West Germany winning on home soil at EURO '88.

Versus Greece**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.10.2005	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
09.02.2005	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
11.10.1997	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
09.10.1996	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
17.05.1989	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 7-1
19.10.1988	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1983	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
27.04.1983	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
14.10.1981	Salonika (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-2
15.10.1980	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
27.10.1965	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
29.11.1964	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-4

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	2	0	0	3	0
World Cup	10	4	3	3	18	13
Others	5	4	1	0	20	4
Total	17	10	4	3	41	17

Facts

- The sides drew 1-1 in a friendly in Piraeus in their most recent encounter on 11.02.2009, Fanis Gekas cancelling out Jonas Borring's opener for Denmark.
- Their last six competitive meetings have all come in FIFA World Cup qualifying, Denmark winning the most recent 1-0 in Copenhagen on 08.10.2005 after Theodoros Zagorakis notched his first international goal in Greece's 2-1 victory in the reverse fixture.
- Denmark won 2-0 in Greece on 16.11.1983 to qualify for their first EURO final tournament.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2004	Guimaraes (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
08.09.1999	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
27.03.1999	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
17.06.1988	Cologne (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
03.06.1981	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
01.11.1980	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	4	6
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Others	4	0	0	4	1	7
Total	10	2	1	7	8	16

Facts

- The two teams last met at the start of the UEFA EURO 2004 group stage, playing out a goalless draw; Denmark went on to reach the quarter-finals, while Italy fell at the first hurdle.
- Italy triumphed in the nations' only other encounter at a major tournament, winning their final EURO '88 group game 2-0 thanks to goals by Alessandro Altobelli and Luigi De Agostini.
- The two sides have been paired together in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualification.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2010	Johannesburg (RSA)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-2
16.06.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-3
22.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (semi-finals)	D 2-2 (W 5-4p)
04.10.1967	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
30.11.1966	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	9
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	2
Others	25	7	8	9	34	47
Total	30	8	9	12	39	58

Facts

- Denmark and the Netherlands last met in the first all-European tie of the 2010 FIFA World Cup, the Oranje prevailing 2-0 in Johannesburg following a Daniel Agger own goal and a late second from Dirk Kuyt.
- Peter Schmeichel made a decisive save from Marco van Basten as Denmark defeated the Netherlands on penalties after a 2-2 draw in the semi-finals of EURO '92.
- Young Danish schemer Christian Eriksen is an important player for top Dutch club AFC Ajax.

Versus Poland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.09.1977	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-4
01.05.1977	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	6
Others	16	11	1	4	35	23
Total	18	11	1	6	37	29

Facts

- Denmark won 3-1 when the sides last faced each other in an unofficial friendly in Thailand in January 2010, second-half goals from Morten Rasmussen and Jesper Bech the difference after Sławomir Peszko had cancelled out Søren Rieks' opener.
- Poland enjoyed the upper hand in the teams' only competitive meetings, winning both their 1978 FIFA World Cup qualifiers to help seal a ticket to Argentina.
- Poland's 8-0 friendly loss to Denmark in Copenhagen on 26.06.1948 remains their record defeat. Carl Aage Præst, who went on to star for Juventus, scored a hat-trick.

Versus Portugal**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.10.2011	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.10.2010	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
05.09.2009	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
10.09.2008	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-2
09.06.1996	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
09.10.1977	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-4
17.11.1976	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
12.05.1971	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-5
14.10.1970	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	1	1	3	4	11
World Cup	4	1	1	2	6	8
Others	3	0	0	3	2	6
Total	12	2	2	8	12	25

Facts

- The two teams were drawn in the same qualifying group for UEFA EURO 2012, Denmark claiming top spot with a 2-1 home win against Portugal in their final qualifier as goals from Michael Krohn-Dehli and Nicklas Bendtner consigned the visitors to the play-offs.
- It was a similar story in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying as Denmark topped their section ahead of Portugal, who then went on to defeat Bosnia and Herzegovina in the play-offs.
- The only final tournament meeting between the sides was a 1-1 group stage draw at EURO '96, as Brian Laudrup's goal for the defending champions was cancelled out by Ricardo Sá Pinto.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

Facts

- The last encounter between Denmark and a national team containing Russian players was a pre-EURO '92 friendly against the CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) in Copenhagen on 03.06.1992; it ended 1-1.
- Denmark's 4-2 win against the USSR in a FIFA World Cup qualifier in Copenhagen on 5 June 1985 – Denmark's Constitution Day – is often considered to be the best ever performance by the Danish national team.
- The USSR gained a measure of revenge in the reverse fixture in Moscow that September, winning 1-0; they also prevailed 6-0 at home and 3-1 away in 1966 World Cup qualifying.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.10.2007	Aarhus (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
24.03.2007	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
11.10.1995	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Seville (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
17.11.1993	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
31.03.1993	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
11.06.1988	Hanover (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-3
18.06.1986	Queretaro (MEX)	World Cup (last 16)	L 1-5
24.06.1984	Lyon (FRA)	EURO (semi-finals)	D 1-1 (L 4-5p)
12.10.1975	Barcelona (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
25.09.1974	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	8	0	2	6	7	17
World Cup	3	1	0	2	2	6
Others	6	1	1	4	7	12
Total	17	2	3	12	16	35

Facts

- The last time the teams met was in Spain's first match as reigning European champions in Copenhagen on 20.08.2008, new coach Vicente del Bosque beginning his tenure with a 3-0 victory courtesy of two goals from Xabi Alonso and one from Xavi Hernández.
- Denmark have met Spain eight times in the UEFA European Championship – more than any of their 12 prospective UEFA EURO 2012 group stage opponents – but have never defeated them, losing six times and drawing twice.
- Spain were the bete noire of Sepp Piontek's iconic 'Danish Dynamite' side of the 1980s, eliminating them from both EURO '84 and the 1986 FIFA World Cup, and also defeating them 3-2 in their opening group game at EURO '88.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
06.06.2009	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
08.09.2007	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
02.06.2007	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
22.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 2-2
14.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	2	2	2	6
World Cup	2	2	0	0	2	0
Others	96	37	16	43	163	176
Total	102	39	18	45	167	182

Facts

- The Scandinavian rivals met as recently as 11.11.2011, a goal apiece from Nicklas Bendtner and Michael Krohn-Dehli earning Denmark a 2-0 win in Copenhagen.
- Drawn in the same 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying group, Denmark defeated Sweden 1-0 home and away to reach South Africa at their neighbours' expense; Sweden had earlier helped eliminate Denmark during UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying.
- A 2-2 draw between the two countries in their final group game at UEFA EURO 2004 enabled both teams to progress to the quarter-finals and send Italy home.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
30.03.2005	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
04.09.2004	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	2
Others	1	1	0	0	1	0
Total	3	1	1	1	2	2

Facts

- Ukraine got the better of Denmark during qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Oleh Blokhin's side winning 1-0 in Kyiv after drawing 1-1 away to help reach their first major finals and end Denmark's run of five successive qualifications.
- Andriy Voronin was Ukraine's match-winner in Kyiv, taking centre stage in a game that regular strike partner Andriy Shevchenko was forced to miss due to a fractured cheekbone.
- The only other meeting between the two nations yielded a 1-0 success for Denmark on 30.04.2003 as Thomas Gravesen made the difference in Copenhagen.

ENGLAND

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.09.2009	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-1
10.09.2008	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-1
21.11.2007	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
11.10.2006	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
21.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 4-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	0	2	6	7
World Cup	2	2	0	0	9	2
Others	2	1	1	0	3	1
Total	7	4	1	2	18	10

Facts

- England overwhelmed Croatia 5-1 at Wembley on the last occasion the two teams met, the result securing their qualification for the 2010 FIFA World Cup and stretching coach Fabio Capello's perfect record in competitive matches to eight games; a 4-1 win in Zagreb 12 months earlier, featuring a hat-trick from Theo Walcott (his only goals thus far for England), had inflicted on Croatia their first competitive defeat at the Maksimir Stadium.
- Defeated 4-2 by England in the final group game at UEFA EURO 2004, Croatia gained revenge by doing the double over the Three Lions in qualification for UEFA EURO 2008, a famous 3-2 win at Wembley eliminating England and ending the brief reign of coach Steve McClaren.
- Croatian internationals Luka Modrić, Vedran Ćorluka and Niko Kranjčar all play in England with Tottenham Hotspur FC while Ivan Klasnić is on the books of Bolton Wanderers FC.

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	4	2
Total	2	1	1	0	4	2

Facts

- The Czech Republic were within seconds of claiming victory at Wembley in August 2008 against Fabio Capello's team before Joe Cole made it 2-2 in added time; the visitors had led twice thanks Milan Baroš and Marek Jankulovski, Wes Brown replying with his only goal for England.
- The only previous meeting took place almost ten years earlier, Darren Anderton and Paul Merson scoring in the first half as England won 2-0 in what was to be manager Glenn Hoddle's final match in charge.
- England faced the former Czechoslovakia on 12 occasions, winning eight matches, including both meetings at the FIFA World Cup finals (1-0 in 1970, 2-0 in 1982), and losing just twice.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
15.06.2002	Niigata (JPN)	WC (last 16)	W 3-0
11.06.1992	Malmo (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
21.09.1983	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
22.09.1982	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
12.09.1979	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
20.09.1978	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 4-3
15.05.1957	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-1
05.12.1956	Wolverhampton (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	2	2	1	7	6
World Cup	3	3	0	0	12	3
Others	12	7	2	3	19	13
Total	20	12	4	4	38	22

Facts

- England recovered to beat Denmark 2-1 in a Copenhagen friendly on 09.02.2011, a game noted for breakthrough performances from Christian Eriksen (Denmark) and Jack Wilshere (England).
- The two countries' only meeting at the FIFA World Cup finals came in 2002 when England scored three times in the first half to win 3-0 and reach the quarter-finals; it was the first competitive defeat of current Denmark coach Morten Olsen's reign.
- An Allan Simonsen penalty gave Denmark a famous 1-0 Wembley win on 21.09.1983, paving the way for the Scandinavians to qualify for their first major final tournament – at England's expense.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
14.06.1992	Malmo (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
16.06.1982	Bilbao (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	W 3-1
20.07.1966	London (ENG)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-0
27.02.1963	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-5
03.10.1962	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	2	2	4	8
World Cup	2	2	0	0	5	1
Others	24	14	3	7	60	30
Total	30	16	5	9	69	39

Facts

- France are unbeaten in their last five meetings with England, the most recent of which finished in a 2-1 win for Laurent Blanc's side at Wembley on 17.11.2010, with Karim Benzema and Mathieu Valbuena scoring for the visitors. England have not lost in nine matches since.
- England's last win against Les Bleus came at the 1997 Tournoi de France, Alan Shearer's late winner deciding the game in Montpellier and giving Glenn Hoddle's team the trophy in the preparation tournament for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- Twice victors over their cross-Channel rivals at the World Cup, in 1966 and 1982, England have not beaten France in four EURO encounters, most recently the opening group game at UEFA EURO 2004, when Zinedine Zidane struck twice late on to earn the holders a 2-1 win.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.10.2001	Manchester (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
06.06.2001	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
30.03.1983	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
17.11.1982	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
01.12.1971	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
21.04.1971	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	3	1	0	8	0
World Cup	2	1	1	0	4	2
Others	3	3	0	0	11	1
Total	9	7	2	0	23	3

Facts

- England maintained their unbeaten record against Greece when they began Steve McClaren's reign with a 4-0 win at Old Trafford on 16 August 2006, John Terry, Frank Lampard and Peter Crouch (two) scoring the goals.
- It was on the same ground five years earlier that David Beckham struck a famous stoppage-time free-kick to enable England to come from 2-0 down and claim a draw that sealed qualification for the 2002 FIFA World Cup ahead of Germany.
- Beckham was also on target in the reverse fixture of that qualifying campaign, striking three minutes from time to complete a 2-0 win in Athens that left Greece still seeking their first competitive goal – and point – against England on home soil.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.1996	London (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	W 4-1
13.10.1993	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
28.04.1993	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
16.06.1990	Cagliari (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
15.06.1988	Dusseldorf (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	5	4
World Cup	3	0	2	1	2	4
Others	13	4	7	2	14	11
Total	18	5	9	4	21	19

Facts

- England's proposed friendly against the Netherlands at Wembley on 10 August 2011 was cancelled because of security issues; the previous meeting, in Amsterdam two years earlier, resulted in a fourth successive friendly draw between the two nations, two goals from Jermain Defoe cancelling out first-half strikes from Dirk Kuyt and Rafael van der Vaart.
- The nations' long-awaited first competitive encounter, over 50 years after their inaugural meeting, proved to be a personal triumph for Dutch striker Marco van Basten, who scored a hat-trick in a 3-1 win at EURO '88; the Oranje went on to their only major tournament triumph, England bowed out at the group stage.
- England achieved a memorable win of their own eight years later, two goals apiece from Alan Shearer and Teddy Sheringham bringing a 4-1 win against the Netherlands at Wembley; it remains the country's biggest victory in a UEFA European Championship final tournament.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.10.2005	Manchester (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.09.2004	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.09.1999	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
27.03.1999	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
31.05.1997	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
09.10.1996	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.09.1993	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0
29.05.1993	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
13.11.1991	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
17.10.1990	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
11.10.1989	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
03.06.1989	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0
11.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	W 3-0
17.10.1973	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
06.06.1973	Katowice (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	2	0	6	2
World Cup	11	7	3	1	19	7
Others	2	1	1	0	2	1
Total	17	10	6	1	27	10

Facts

- The countries' last 15 games have all been competitive fixtures, most recently a 2-1 England win at Old Trafford in October 2005 after both teams had secured 2006 FIFA World Cup finals places.
- The two nations have been paired together in qualifying for the 2014 World Cup.
- Their sole meeting at a final tournament came when Gary Lineker's first-half hat-trick enabled England to beat Poland 3-0 in a must-win final group game and reach the 1986 World Cup knockout phase.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.07.2006	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	World Cup (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 1-3p)
24.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 2-2 (L 5-6p)
12.06.2000	Eindhoven (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-3
03.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
19.11.1975	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
20.11.1974	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
26.07.1966	London (ENG)	World Cup (semi-finals)	W 2-1
25.10.1961	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
21.05.1961	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	3	1	5	6
World Cup	5	2	2	1	5	3
Others	13	7	5	1	35	16
Total	22	9	10	3	45	25

Facts

- The last two meetings, quarter-finals at the 2006 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2004, resulted in penalty shoot-out wins for Luiz Felipe Scolari's Portugal against Sven-Göran Eriksson's England.
- England have not defeated Portugal in six competitive games, since the 1966 World Cup semis.
- Portugal came from two down after 18 minutes to beat England 3-2 in their opening group game of UEFA EURO 2000; Nuno Gomes's winning strike was the first of his 29 international goals.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
27.03.1991	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
14.11.1990	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.1990	Cagliari (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
12.06.1988	Stuttgart (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
06.02.1980	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
25.10.1978	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
19.05.1957	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
08.05.1957	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	1	3	1	5	4
World Cup	3	1	2	0	7	3
Others	5	3	1	1	7	5
Total	13	5	6	2	19	12

Facts

- The last game between the Republic of Ireland and England, a February 1995 friendly in Dublin, was abandoned after 27 minutes due to crowd trouble; David Kelly had given the hosts the lead.
- Ireland's debut at a major final tournament came against England at the 1988 UEFA European Championship, and it proved to be a memorable one as Ray Houghton scored the only goal in Stuttgart; that remains Ireland's only competitive win against England in eight attempts.
- The two teams also met in the opening group game of the 1990 FIFA World Cup, drawing 1-1 in Cagliari before sharing further 1-1 draws in qualification for EURO '92; on each occasion England finished above Ireland to win the group.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.1996	London (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 4-2p)
05.07.1982	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (second round)	D 0-0
18.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
08.05.1968	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 2-1
03.04.1968	London (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 1-0
02.07.1950	Rio de Janeiro (BRA)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	3	1	0	5	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	0	1
Others	17	9	1	7	34	21
Total	22	12	3	7	39	24

Facts

- England ended a run of three successive defeats to Spain – friendlies in Madrid (0-1), Manchester (0-1) and Seville (0-2) – when Frank Lampard, captain for the evening, scored the only goal at Wembley last month.
- The most recent competitive encounter between the two nations, a EURO '96 quarter-final at Wembley, resulted in the only penalty shoot-out triumph recorded by England in six attempts at major tournaments; however, they lost by the same method to Germany four days later.
- A goalless draw between the two nations in Madrid in the second round of the 1982 FIFA World Cup confirmed England's exit from the tournament alongside their already eliminated opponents.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
20.06.2006	Cologne (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	D 2-2
02.06.2002	Saitama (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
05.06.1999	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
05.09.1998	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
17.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
06.09.1989	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
19.10.1988	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	1	2	2	4
World Cup	4	0	4	0	3	3
Others	14	6	4	4	25	28
Total	21	6	9	6	30	25

Facts

- England's 1-0 win at Wembley last month was their first victory over Sweden in 43 years, the nations having met 12 times since 1968, yielding four wins for Sweden and eight draws; Sweden remain undefeated by England in competitive fixtures.
- Drew their group stage encounters at the 2002 and 2006 FIFA World Cups; on both occasions each team progressed and England were led by Swedish coach Sven-Göran Eriksson.
- Tomas Brodin scored a spectacular late winner to enable Sweden to come from behind and defeat England 2-1 in their final group game at EURO '92, the victory sending the host nation through to the semi-finals and eliminating Graham Taylor's side.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
01.04.2009	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Others	2	2	0	0	5	0
Total	4	3	0	1	7	2

Facts

- The two nations traded home wins in the 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying competition, but Ukraine's 1-0 victory at the Dnipro Arena – sealed by a goal from local hero Serhiy Nazarenko – was of little consequence to England as they had already qualified for the finals in South Africa.
- That defeat in Dnipropetrovsk remains the only one suffered in 18 qualifying matches by England coach Fabio Capello; his only other competitive defeat with England was a 4-1 loss to Germany in the last 16 of the 2010 World Cup.
- The two countries are set to meet again in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying.

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Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.06.2004	Leiria (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 2-2
08.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	1	0	2	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	1
Others	3	2	1	0	5	0
Total	5	3	2	0	9	3

Facts

- The sides' most recent encounter, a friendly in Paris on 29.03.2011, ended goalless.
- The teams were in the same group at UEFA EURO 2004 and shared a 2-2 draw, David Trezeguet scoring the equaliser for France after Croatia had come from a goal behind to lead 2-1.
- The first meeting came in the 1998 FIFA World Cup semi-finals at the Stade de France; Davor Šuker, the tournament's top scorer, put Croatia in front but France replied immediately through Lilian Thuram, who also scored the winner – France's record cap-holder's only international goals.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
14.06.1992	Malmö (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
16.06.1982	Bilbao (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-3
20.07.1966	London (ENG)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-2
27.02.1963	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 5-2
03.10.1962	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	2	0	8	4
World Cup	2	0	0	2	1	5
Others	24	7	3	14	30	60
Total	30	9	5	16	39	69

Facts

- France are unbeaten in their last five meetings with England, the most recent of which finished in a 2-1 win for Laurent Blanc's side at Wembley on 17.11.2010, with Karim Benzema and Mathieu Valbuena scoring for the visitors. England have not lost in nine matches since.
- England's last win over Les Bleus came at the 1997 Tournoi de France, Alan Shearer's late winner deciding the game in Montpellier and giving Glenn Hoddle's team the trophy in the preparation tournament for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- Twice victors over their cross-Channel rivals at the World Cup, in 1966 and 1982, England have not beaten France in four EURO encounters, most recently the opening group game at UEFA EURO 2004, when Zinedine Zidane struck twice late on to earn the holders a 2-1 win.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.1986	Guadalajara (MEX)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 0-2
08.07.1982	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (semi-final)	D 3-3 (L 4-5p)
28.06.1958	Gothenburg (SWE)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	W 6-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	3	1	1	1	9	8
Others	20	9	5	6	29	31
Total	23	10	6	7	38	39

Facts

- West Germany defeated France in successive World Cup semi-finals in the 1980s. The first, in Seville in 1982, was a 3-3 draw that featured four goals in extra time and concluded with the first penalty shoot-out ever staged at the World Cup finals, won 5-4 by Germany.
- The second semi-final, in the Mexican city of Guadalajara four years later, was less eventful, decided by goals from Andreas Brehme and Rudi Völler.
- Five friendly internationals have taken place since 1990, with France running out winners four times in succession until a goalless draw at the Stade de France on 12.11.2005.

Versus Greece**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 0-1
03.12.1958	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
01.10.1958	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 7-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	8	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	5	5	0	0	15	4
Total	8	6	1	1	23	7

Facts

- Greece provided one of the biggest shocks of UEFA EURO 2004 by defeating holders France 1-0 in the last eight; it was France's first defeat in 22 matches, Angelos Charisteas scoring the winning goal – a feat he would repeat in the final.
- The countries' most recent encounter took place on 15.11.2006 at the Stade de France, the hosts winning 1-0 with a goal from Thierry Henry – a fifth victory in five friendlies against Greece.
- Their qualifiers in 1958 were the first UEFA European Championship matches for both teams; France's 7-1 win in Paris included two goals for Just Fontaine, who had scored a final tournament record 13 at the FIFA World Cup in Sweden a few months earlier.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.06.2008	Zurich (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
08.09.2007	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
06.09.2006	Saint-Denis (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
09.07.2006	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (final)	D 1-1 (L 3-5p)
02.07.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (final)	W 2-1 gg
03.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 4-3p)
17.06.1986	Mexico City (MEX)	World Cup (last 16)	W 2-0
02.06.1978	Mar del Plata (ARG)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-2
12.06.1938	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	4
World Cup	5	1	2	2	5	6
Others	27	5	7	15	38	69
Total	36	8	10	18	48	79

Facts

- Having qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same section, Italy defeated France 2-0 in the group stage at the finals; Andrea Pirlo gave the Azzurri the lead from the spot after Eric Abidal was sent off, Daniele De Rossi adding a second after the break.
- The teams contested the 2006 FIFA World Cup final, Italy taking the title for the fourth time after a shoot-out in which they converted all five of their spot kicks; the only player to miss was David Trezeguet, whose golden goal had defeated Italy in extra time of the UEFA EURO 2000 final.
- The World Cup final featured an extra-time red card for Zinedine Zidane in his last ever game.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.06.2008	Berne (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-4
21.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-3
22.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 5-4p)
18.11.1981	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
25.03.1981	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	1	2	3	7
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	1
Others	17	7	3	7	30	43
Total	22	8	4	10	35	51

Facts

- The Netherlands were defeated on penalties by France in the EURO '96 quarter-finals, the second of three successive shoot-out failures in the UEFA European Championship.
- With both teams already through, the Netherlands beat France 3-2 in the UEFA EURO 2000 group stage. Their 2008 meeting was more meaningful, goals from Dirk Kuyt, Robin van Persie, Arjen Robben and Wesley Sneijder sealing Oranje progress with a 4-1 win; France failed to advance.
- Michel Platini and Didier Six scored when France defeated the Netherlands 2-0 at the Parc des Princes to qualify for the 1982 FIFA World Cup.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.08.1995	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Zabrze (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.07.1982	Alicante (ESP)	World cup (third-place play-off)	L 2-3
17.09.1967	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 4-1
22.10.1966	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	2	0	7	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	2	3
Others	11	6	3	2	18	10
Total	16	8	5	3	27	16

Facts

- Poland beat France 3-2 in the 1982 FIFA World Cup third-place match in Alicante, Andrzej Szarmach, Stefan Majewski and Janusz Kupcewicz scoring in six minutes either side of half-time.
- France defeated Poland 1-0 in their last meeting on 09.06.2011, Tomasz Jodłowiec's own goal consigning the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts to a friendly defeat in Warsaw.
- Poland regulars Ludovic Obraniak and Damien Perquis play for Ligue 1 clubs: Obraniak is at LOSC Lille Métropole and Perquis with FC Sochaux-Montbéliard.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
05.07.2006	Munich (GER)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 1-0
28.06.2000	Brussels (BEL)	EURO (semi-final)	W 2-1 aet
23.06.1984	Marseille (FRA)	EURO (semi-final)	W 3-2 aet

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	2	0	0	5	3
World Cup	1	1	0	0	1	0
Others	19	13	1	5	40	24
Total	22	16	1	5	46	27

Facts

- The three competitive meetings have all been in semi-finals, and France have been victorious on each occasion.
- France went on to lift the Henri Delaunay Cup after a 3-2 extra-time victory on home soil at the 1984 UEFA European Championship, Michel Platini scoring a last-gasp winner in Marseille; they repeated the feat at UEFA EURO 2000, Zinedine Zidane's extra-time penalty deciding matters.
- History repeated itself at the 2006 World Cup, where a Zidane spot kick again proved to be the difference; on this occasion, however, Les Bleus did not go on to win the final.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
05.06.1999	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
10.10.1998	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	5	5
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	3	2
Total	5	2	1	2	8	7

Facts

- Russia were the first team to defeat France at the Stade de France, their 3-2 win on 5 June 1999 ending the hosts' 27-match unbeaten run at the national stadium.
- A 1-1 draw between Russia and Ukraine, coupled with France's 3-2 defeat of Iceland, in the final round of UEFA EURO 2000 qualifiers sealed Les Bleus' place at the finals; Ukraine would have topped the group had they won.
- A meeting of Laurent Blanc and Dick Advocaat would mean the President taking on the Little General – their respective nicknames.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
27.06.2006	Hanover (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	W 3-1
25.06.2000	Bruges (BEL)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 2-1
15.06.1996	Leeds (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
12.10.1991	Seville (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
20.02.1991	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
27.06.1984	Paris (FRA)	EURO (final)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	4	1	0	10	4
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	1
Others	24	6	5	13	22	52
Total	30	11	6	13	35	57

Facts

- Spain have never beaten France in a competitive match. That run began in the 1984 UEFA European Championship final in Paris, where goals from Michel Platini and Bruno Bellone earned Les Bleus a 2-0 win and a first major international title.
- France knocked Spain out of UEFA EURO 2000 after Raúl González fired a last-minute penalty over the bar; Spanish hopes were also ended by France at the 2006 World Cup, where Les Bleus came from behind to win 3-1.
- Spain have won the teams' last three friendlies, most recently 2-0 in Paris on 03.03.2010, David Villa and Sergio Ramos getting the goals. They will meet in 2014 World Cup qualifying.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.08.1993	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
28.04.1993	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
10.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
05.09.1979	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
01.09.1978	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
01.11.1969	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0
15.10.1969	Stockholm (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	2	0	6	4
World Cup	4	2	1	1	6	4
Others	10	5	2	3	13	8
Total	17	8	5	4	25	16

Facts

- France are unbeaten in the countries' last 11 encounters, with Sweden's most recent victory coming back in 1969, when the teams met competitively for the first time.
- The sides' only fixture at a final tournament came at EURO '92 when hosts Sweden were held 1-1 in Stockholm in the opening game by a France side coached by Michel Platini; Jean-Pierre Papin equalised for Les Bleus after Jan Eriksson had opened the scoring.
- Although France got the better of Sweden in 1994 World Cup qualifying, winning at home and drawing away, Sweden topped the group and France were eliminated.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.11.2007	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
02.06.2007	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
04.09.1999	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
27.03.1999	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	3	0	4	2
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	2	0	0	5	1
Total	6	3	3	0	9	3

Facts

- France defeated Ukraine 4-1 at the Donbass Arena in Donetsk on 06.06.2011, Laurent Blanc's side scoring three times in the closing minutes with debutant Marvin Martin claiming two after coming on as a late substitute.
- The countries met in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000 and UEFA EURO 2008, France successfully reaching both tournaments and Ukraine staying at home.
- France's 2-2 draw in Kyiv in a UEFA EURO 2008 qualifier on 21.11.2007 was their 700th senior international; the game was also the final outing in Oleh Blokhin's first spell as Ukraine coach and the last staged in the UEFA EURO 2012 final venue before it was closed for reconstruction.

GERMANY (including the Federal Republic of Germany)

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
04.07.1998	Lyon (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 0-3
23.06.1996	Manchester (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	3
Others	5	4	1	0	15	4
Total	8	5	1	2	18	10

Facts

- Their first official encounter came in a EURO '96 quarter-final; Croatia were reduced to ten men after Igor Štimac's red card, Germany scoring the winner soon afterwards through Matthias Sammer, the 1996 Ballon d'Or winner.
- Two years later at the 1998 FIFA World Cup, Croatia unexpectedly won another quarter-final by a 3-0 margin after Germany defender Christian Wörns was sent off; Robert Jarni, Goran Vlaović and Davor Šuker scored the goals.
- A player has been dismissed in each of the sides' three competitive encounters. When the teams met in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage Bastian Schweinsteiger saw red in added time; Germany were already 2-1 down, Darijo Srna and Ivica Olić scoring before Lukas Podolski pulled one back.

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.10.2007	Munich (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
24.03.2007	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
23.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
30.06.1996	Wembley (ENG)	EURO (final)	W 2-1 gg
09.06.1996	Manchester (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	3	0	2	7	7
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	1	1	0	0	3	2
Total	6	4	0	2	10	9

Facts

- Germany beat the Czech Republic twice at EURO '96, first in the group stage then in the final at Wembley thanks to Oliver Bierhoff's extra-time golden goal. The Wembley win was revenge of a sort after West Germany had lost the final of the 1976 UEFA European Championship to Czechoslovakia on penalties in Belgrade.
- The Czechs eliminated Germany from UEFA EURO 2004 with Milan Baroš coming off the bench to score the winning goal and give his team a maximum nine points from their three group games.
- The countries both qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 with ease from the same group. Each beat the other away from home, with Germany prevailing 2-1 in Prague thanks to a Kevin Kuranyi double and the Czech Republic winning 3-0 in Munich. The Czechs, who have not played Germany since, finished as group winners.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
26.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (final)	L 0-2
14.06.1988	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
13.06.1986	Queretaro (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	2
Others	24	14	4	6	51	32
Total	27	15	4	8	53	36

Facts

- A 2-2 draw was the outcome when the northern European neighbours last met, Denmark recovering from 2-0 down in a Copenhagen friendly on 11.08.2010.
- The two teams have not contested a competitive game since the final of EURO '92, when tournament latecomers Denmark triumphed 2-0 against the odds in Gothenburg thanks to goals from midfielders John Jensen and Kim Vilfort.
- Their two other competitive encounters also finished 2-0, Denmark prevailing at the 1986 FIFA World Cup in Mexico and West Germany winning on home soil at EURO '88.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.1986	Guadalajara (MEX)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 2-0
08.07.1982	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (semi-final)	D 3-3 (W 5-4p)
28.06.1958	Gothenburg (SWE)	World Cup (third-placed play-off)	L 3-6

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	3	1	1	1	8	9
Others	20	6	5	9	31	29
Total	23	7	6	10	39	38

Facts

- West Germany defeated France in successive World Cup semi-finals in the 1980s; the first, in Seville in 1982, was a 3-3 draw that featured four goals in extra time and concluded with the first penalty shoot-out ever staged at the World Cup finals, won 5-4 by Germany.
- The second semi-final, in the Mexican city of Guadalajara, was less eventful, decided by goals from Andreas Brehme and Rudi Völler.
- Five friendly internationals have taken place since 1990, France running out winners four times in succession until a 0-0 draw at the Stade de France in November 2005.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
28.03.2001	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-2
02.09.2000	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
17.06.1980	Turin (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
11.10.1975	Dusseldorf (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
20.11.1974	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
22.10.1961	Augsburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
20.11.1960	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	3	0	3	3
World Cup	4	4	0	0	11	3
Others	1	1	0	0	3	1
Total	8	5	3	0	17	7

Facts

- Greece have never beaten Germany but all three UEFA European Championship encounters between the two countries have been drawn; they have not met at all since March 2001.
- The goalless draw at the 1980 UEFA European Championship finals in Italy was the only match West Germany failed to win en route to victory in the tournament.
- German coach Otto Rehhagel steered Greece to a surprise victory at UEFA EURO 2004.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
15.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
18.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-3
24.06.1990	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (last 16)	W 2-1
26.04.1989	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
19.10.1988	Munich (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
21.06.1988	Hamburg (GER)	EURO (semi-final)	L 1-2
14.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-2
18.06.1978	Cordoba (ARG)	World Cup (second stage)	D 2-2
07.07.1974	Munich (GER)	World Cup (final)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	6	8
World Cup	5	2	3	0	7	5
Others	29	11	10	8	62	50
Total	38	14	14	10	75	63

Facts

- On 15 November goals from Thomas Müller, Miroslav Klose and Mesut Özil earned Germany a 3-0 friendly win against the Netherlands in Hamburg, the Oranje's heaviest defeat in 15 years.
- One of football's great rivalries, these sides did not meet in a competitive international until West Germany defeated Rinus Michels' famous Netherlands side 2-1 in Munich to win the 1974 FIFA World Cup.
- Dutch revenge came 14 years later when, with Michels back in charge, Marco van Basten sealed a 2-1 victory over the hosts in the 1988 UEFA European Championship semi-final; Van Basten also scored in the final, at Munich's Olympiastadion, a 2-0 win against the Soviet Union.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
14.06.2006	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	W 1-0
01.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
03.07.1974	Frankfurt (GER)	World Cup (second stage)	W 1-0
17.11.1971	Hamburg (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.10.1971	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	1	0	5	1
World Cup	3	2	1	0	2	0
Others	11	8	3	0	24	8
Total	17	12	5	0	31	9

Facts

- Poland have never beaten Germany, but were moments from ending the drought in a Gdansk friendly on 06.09.2011. Leading 2-1 after goals from Robert Lewandowski and Jakub Błaszczykowski, Cacau equalised in added time.
- Two goals from Lukas Podolski earned Germany a 2-0 victory against the country of his birth at UEFA EURO 2008, while at the 2006 FIFA World Cup Oliver Neuville's last-minute winner knocked Poland out of the tournament.
- The teams also met at the other World Cup staged on German soil, in 1974. Again the hosts won 1-0, in a decisive second phase game in Frankfurt, thanks to a late winner from Gerd Müller.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
19.06.2008	Basel (SUI)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 3-2
08.07.2006	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	W 3-1
20.06.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-3
06.09.1997	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
14.12.1996	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
16.10.1985	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
24.02.1985	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
14.06.1984	Strasbourg (FRA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	3	5
World Cup	5	2	2	1	6	4
Others	8	5	2	1	15	7
Total	16	8	5	3	24	16

Facts

- Germany defeated Portugal 3-2 in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals; Bastian Schweinsteiger, Miroslav Klose and Michael Ballack were on target for Germany, Nuno Gomes and Hélder Postiga scoring in reply.
- Two years earlier a double from Schweinsteiger and a Petit own goal earned Germany a 3-1 win – and third place – when the countries met in the 2006 World Cup, Nuno Gomes scoring a late consolation.
- A Portugal side that had already qualified at UEFA EURO 2000 rounded off the group stage with a 3-0 defeat of Germany, Sérgio Conceição scoring a 36-minute hat-trick.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.10.2007	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
02.09.2006	Stuttgart (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
05.06.2002	Ibaraki (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	1	0	1	0
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Others	13	6	2	5	23	20
Total	16	7	4	5	25	21

Facts

- The teams last came face to face during qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, Germany winning 1-0 at home with a goal from Lukas Podolski and claiming a 0-0 draw in Dublin that enabled them to become the first nation to secure their place alongside hosts Austria and Switzerland.
- Their only meeting at a major final tournament came at the 2002 FIFA World Cup, when a late Robbie Keane equaliser cancelled out an earlier strike from Miroslav Klose.
- The two sides will meet twice in qualifying Group C for the 2014 World Cup.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.07.2010	Durban (RSA)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 0-1
29.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (final)	L 0-1
21.06.1994	Chicago (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
17.06.1988	Munich (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
20.06.1984	Paris (FRA)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
02.07.1982	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-1
22.05.1976	Munich (GER)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 2-0
24.04.1976	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 1-1
20.07.1966	Birmingham (ENG)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	2	1	2	5	3
World Cup	4	2	1	1	5	4
Others	12	4	4	4	17	16
Total	21	8	6	7	27	23

Facts

- Spain have beaten Germany at the last two major international tournaments; in 2010, a Carles Puyol header was all that separated the sides in the FIFA World Cup semi-final.
- Germany had also lost 1-0 two years earlier, Fernando Torres scoring the only goal of the UEFA EURO 2008 final in Vienna.
- Germany triumphed in the 1976 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals, drawing 1-1 in Madrid and winning 2-0 in Munich.

Versus Sweden

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
24.06.2006	Munich (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	W 2-0
21.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (semi-final)	W 3-2
25.09.1985	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
17.10.1984	Cologne (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
30.06.1974	Dusseldorf (GER)	World Cup (second stage)	W 4-2
26.09.1965	Stockholm (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
04.11.1964	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
24.06.1958	Gothenburg (SWE)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 1-3
21.11.1937	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-0
31.05.1934	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	2
World Cup	9	6	2	1	21	10
Others	26	8	7	11	40	40
Total	36	15	9	12	64	52

Facts

- Germany and Sweden will meet in qualifying for the 2014 FIFA World Cup.
- The teams' most recent encounter ended goalless in Gothenburg on 17 November 2010.
- Germany eliminated Sweden from the 2006 World Cup, winning their round of 16 encounter 2-0 with both goals from Lukas Podolski; less than two months later they met again in a Gelsenkirchen friendly, Germany winning 3-0.

Versus Ukraine

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.11.2001	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (play-offs)	W 4-1
10.11.2001	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (play-offs)	D 1-1
07.06.1997	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
30.04.1997	Bremen (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	4	2	2	0	7	2
Others	1	0	1	0	3	3
Total	5	2	3	0	10	5

Facts

- The first friendly between the two countries took place in Kyiv last month and produced a 3-3 thriller in the inaugural international staged at the refurbished UEFA EURO 2012 final venue, Germany coming from 3-1 down to level with a 77th-minute strike from Thomas Müller.
- Germany maintained their record of never having failed to qualify for a major tournament when they overcame Ukraine 5-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 2002 FIFA World Cup; the second leg in Dortmund was the last for Ukraine with legendary coach Valeriy Lobanovskiy at the helm.
- The teams first met in a qualifying group for the 1998 World Cup, Oliver Bierhoff and Mario Basler scoring Germany's goals in a 2-0 home win before a Kyiv stalemate a few weeks later.

GREECE**Versus Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.07.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (semi-final)	W 1-0 sg

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	1	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	2	0	1	0
Total	4	2	2	0	2	0

Facts

- Greece beat the Czech Republic in the UEFA EURO 2004 semi-final with an extra-time silver goal from defender Traianos Dellas. It was his only international goal in 53 caps.
- Both friendlies between the two countries – in Ioannina on 17 April 2002 and Prague on 18 August 2004 – ended goalless, Karel Poborský becoming the first Czech player to win 100 caps in the latter encounter.
- The former Czechoslovakia defeated Greece in the group stage of the 1980 UEFA European Championship, winning 3-1 in Rome.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.10.2005	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
09.02.2005	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
11.10.1997	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
09.10.1996	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
17.05.1989	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-7
19.10.1988	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1983	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
27.04.1983	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
14.10.1981	Salonika (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-3
15.10.1980	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
27.10.1965	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
29.11.1964	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	3
World Cup	10	3	3	4	13	18
Others	5	0	1	4	4	20
Total	17	3	4	10	17	41

Facts

- The two sides drew 1-1 in a friendly in Piraeus in their most recent encounter on 11.02.2009, Fanis Gekas cancelling out Jonas Borring's opener for Denmark.
- Their last six competitive meetings have all come in FIFA World Cup qualifying, Denmark winning the most recent 1-0 in Copenhagen in October 2005 after Theodoros Zagorakis notched his first international goal in Greece's 2-1 victory in the reverse fixture.
- Denmark secured qualification for their first UEFA European Championship when they defeated Greece 2-0 in Athens on 16.11.1983.

Versus England**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.10.2001	Manchester (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
06.06.2001	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
30.03.1983	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
17.11.1982	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
01.12.1971	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
21.04.1971	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	1	3	0	8
World Cup	2	0	1	1	2	4
Others	3	0	0	3	1	11
Total	9	0	2	7	3	23

Facts

- England maintained their unbeaten record against Greece when they began Steve McClaren's reign with a 4-0 win at Old Trafford on 16 August 2006, John Terry, Frank Lampard and Peter Crouch (two) scoring the goals.
- It was on the same ground five years earlier that David Beckham struck a famous stoppage-time free-kick to enable England to come from 2-0 down and claim a draw that sealed qualification for the 2002 FIFA World Cup ahead of Germany.
- Beckham was also on target in the reverse fixture of that qualifying campaign, striking three minutes from time to complete a 2-0 win in Athens that left Greece still seeking their first competitive goal – and point – against England on home soil.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 1-0
03.12.1958	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
01.10.1958	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-7

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	3	8
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	5	0	0	5	4	15
Total	8	1	1	6	7	23

Facts

- Greece provided one of the biggest shocks of UEFA EURO 2004 by defeating holders France 1-0 in the last eight; it was France's first defeat in 22 matches, Angelos Charisteas scoring the winning goal – a feat he would repeat in the final.
- The countries' most recent encounter took place on 15.11.2006 at the Stade de France, the hosts winning 1-0 with a goal from Thierry Henry – a fifth victory in five friendlies against Greece.
- Their qualifiers in 1958 were the first UEFA European Championship matches for both teams; France's 7-1 win in Paris included two goals for Just Fontaine, who had scored a final tournament record 13 at the FIFA World Cup in Sweden a few months earlier.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
28.03.2001	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-4
02.09.2000	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
17.06.1980	Turin (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
11.10.1975	Dusseldorf (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
20.11.1974	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
22.10.1961	Augsburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
20.11.1960	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	3	0	3	3
World Cup	4	0	0	4	3	11
Others	1	0	0	1	1	3
Total	8	0	3	5	7	17

Facts

- Greece have never beaten Germany but all three UEFA European Championship encounters between the two countries have been drawn; they have not met at all since March 2001.
- The goalless draw at the 1980 UEFA European Championship finals in Italy was the only match West Germany failed to win en route to victory in the tournament.
- German coach Otto Rehhagel steered Greece to a surprise triumph at UEFA EURO 2004.

Versus Italy**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.11.1981	Turin (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
06.12.1980	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
25.03.1934	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-4

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	3	0	1	2	1	7
Others	7	1	3	3	5	10
Total	10	1	4	5	6	17

Facts

- Greece's first official international was against a second-string Italy side on 07.04.1929. They lost 4-1, and have won just one of nine subsequent meetings – 2-1 in a home friendly on 04.03.1972.
- The sides have met only three times in competitive fixtures, in World Cup qualifying in 1934 and 1982 – Italy went on to win the title both times.
- Greece and Italy drew 1-1 when they last met on 19.11.2008, with Fanis Gekas and Luca Toni on target in a Piraeus friendly that brought Greece goalkeeper Alexandros Tzorvas a first cap.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
04.12.1991	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
21.11.1990	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
16.12.1987	Rhodes (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
25.03.1987	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	0	1	4	1	9
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	0	0	3	0	10
Total	8	0	1	7	1	19

Facts

- The Netherlands have won seven of their eight meetings with Greece. The sole exception – and the only time Greece have even scored – came in qualifying for the 1988 UEFA European Championship when Dimitris Saravakos and Marco van Basten each registered in a 1-1 draw.
- The sides have met once at a final tournament, a Kees Kist penalty earning the Netherlands a 1-0 win in their 1980 European Championship opener. Both sides were eliminated at the first hurdle.
- Their only encounter since 1991 came on 28.04.2004, when John Heitinga was among the scorers in a 4-0 friendly victory for the Oranje in Eindhoven. Greece were 15 games unbeaten going into the match.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
29.04.1987	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
15.10.1986	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
19.05.1985	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-4
17.10.1984	Zabrze (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	7
Others	11	2	2	7	7	20
Total	15	3	2	10	11	29

Facts

- Greece have not scored against Poland in their last four meetings. Their most recent game ended goalless in Larissa on 29.03.2011, when Michał Żewłakow, a former Olympiacos FC defender, won his 102nd and final cap for Poland – a national record.
- Dariusz Dziekanowski scored in three of Poland's four competitive meetings with Greece, notching five goals in all during 1986 FIFA World Cup and 1988 UEFA European Championship qualifying.
- Since the qualifying process for that latter tournament, the teams have met six times in friendlies, with Poland winning four and drawing two. Their victories include a 1-0 triumph on the eve of UEFA EURO 2004.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	1	0
Total	2	1	1	0	1	0

Facts

- Greece and the Republic of Ireland have yet to face each other in a competitive international.
- The more recent of their two friendly contests took place in Athens on 20.11.2002 and resulted in a goalless draw; Ireland were led by caretaker manager Don Givens at the time.
- Their first meeting was a friendly in Dublin on 26.04.2000, in which Vassilis Lakis scored to give the visitors a 1-0 win.

Versus Russia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2008	Salzburg (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
20.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
11.10.1995	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
26.04.1995	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
17.11.1993	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
23.05.1993	Moscow (RUS)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	0	4	2	8
World Cup	2	1	1	0	2	1
Others	4	0	4	0	5	5
Total	10	1	5	4	9	14

Facts

- Russia beat Greece in the group stage at the last two EURO finals; Konstantin Zyryanov scored the only goal in 2008, and Russia were the only side to defeat Greece (2-1) at UEFA EURO 2004.
- Greece and Russia made their first World Cup appearances at the 1994 finals after qualifying from the same group; Greece finished top after winning the pair's final meeting 1-0 in Athens.
- The sides drew 1-1 when they met in Piraeus on 11 November, Kostas Katsouranis cancelling out Roman Shirokov's early deflected goal; Fanis Gekas later headed against the upright.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2008	Salzburg (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
16.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
07.06.2003	Zaragoza (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
07.09.2002	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
21.02.1973	Malaga (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
17.01.1973	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	3	5
World Cup	2	0	0	2	3	6
Others	4	0	1	3	4	8
Total	10	1	2	7	10	19

Facts

- Daniel Güiza scored an 88th-minute winner when these sides met at UEFA EURO 2008, though Spain had already sealed progress as Group D winners; Greece were already out.
- Angelos Charisteas broke the deadlock in Salzburg, four years after scoring in a 1-1 draw between the teams in the UEFA EURO 2004 group stage when Fernando Morientes struck for Spain.
- Greece's sole victory over Spain came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying on 07.06.2003 when Stelios Giannakopoulos' stunning strike was the difference between the sides in Zaragoza.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.11.2009	Donetsk (UKR)	World Cup (play-offs)	W 1-0
14.11.2009	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (play-offs)	D 0-0
08.06.2005	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
09.10.2004	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.2003	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
12.10.2002	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	2
World Cup	4	1	2	1	2	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	2	2	2	3	4

Facts

- Greece qualified for the 2010 FIFA World Cup thanks to a 1-0 victory over Ukraine in Donetsk in the second leg of the play-offs following a 0-0 draw; Dimitris Salpingidis scored the decisive goal.
- The six matches between the two countries, all staged during the past decade, have yielded just seven goals.
- Greece's 2-0 defeat by Ukraine in Kyiv on 12.10.2002 was their second in succession at the start of their qualifying campaign for UEFA EURO 2004, a tournament they would go on to win.

ITALY**Versus Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.06.2002	Ibaraki (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-2
08.10.1995	Split (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Palermo (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	1	1	2	3
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Others	3	1	1	1	4	2
Total	6	1	2	3	7	7

Facts

- The sides' last competitive encounter was in the 2002 FIFA World Cup group stage. Although Croatia came from behind to win, Italy progressed from the section as Mirko Jozić's team finished third.
- They met in qualifying for EURO '96 with Davor Šuker and Igor Štimac on target in Croatia's 2-1 victory in Palermo; the second game in Split ended all-square.
- Their last contest was a friendly match in Livorno on 16 August 2006, Croatia winning 2-0 in Slaven Bilić's first match in charge; Eduardo and Luka Modrić got the goals in Italy's first outing after winning the 2006 FIFA World Cup.

Versus Czech Republic**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.2006	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-0
14.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	0
Others	2	0	1	1	2	3
Total	4	1	1	2	5	5

Facts

- Pavel Nedvěd scored his first ever international goal in the Czech Republic's 2-1 defeat of Italy at EURO '96.
- Nedvěd's last competitive appearance for his country was the 2-0 defeat by Italy that eliminated the Czech Republic from the 2006 FIFA World Cup; the Czechs played the second half with ten men following Jan Polák's red card, Marco Materazzi and Filippo Inzaghi getting the goals.
- The teams have been drawn in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualifying Group B.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2004	Guimaraes (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
08.09.1999	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
27.03.1999	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
17.06.1988	Cologne (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
03.06.1981	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
01.11.1980	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	4
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Others	4	4	0	0	7	1
Total	10	7	1	2	16	8

Facts

- The two teams last met at the start of the UEFA EURO 2004 group stage, playing out a goalless draw; Denmark went on to reach the quarter-finals while Italy fell at the first hurdle.
- Italy triumphed in the nations' only other encounter at a major tournament, winning their final group game at the 1988 UEFA European Championship 2-0 thanks to goals by Alessandro Altobelli and Luigi De Agostini.
- The two sides have been paired together in 2014 FIFA World Cup qualification.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.06.2008	Zurich (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
08.09.2007	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
06.09.2006	Saint-Denis (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
09.07.2006	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (final)	D 1-1 (W 5-3p)
02.07.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (final)	L 1-2 gg
03.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 3-4p)
17.06.1986	Mexico City (MEX)	World Cup (second stage)	L 0-2
02.06.1978	Mar del Plata (ARG)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-1
12.06.1938	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	4	5
World Cup	5	2	2	1	6	5
Others	27	15	7	5	69	38
Total	36	18	10	8	79	48

Facts

- Having qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same section, Italy defeated France 2-0 in the group stage at the finals; Andrea Pirlo gave the Azzurri the lead from the spot after Éric Abidal was sent off, Daniele De Rossi adding a second after the break.
- The teams contested the 2006 FIFA World Cup final, Italy taking the title for the fourth time after a shoot-out in which they converted all five of their spot kicks; the only player to miss was David Trezeguet, whose golden goal had defeated Italy in extra time of the UEFA EURO 2000 final.
- The World Cup final featured an extra-time red card for Zinédine Zidane in the last match of the French playmaker's career.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.11.1981	Turin (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
06.12.1980	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
25.03.1934	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	3	2	1	0	7	1
Others	7	3	3	1	10	5
Total	10	5	4	1	17	6

Facts

- Greece's first official international was against a second-string Italy side on 07.04.1929. They lost 4-1, and have won just one of nine subsequent meetings – 2-1 in a home friendly on 04.03.1972.
- The sides have met only three times in competitive fixtures, in FIFA World Cup qualifying in 1934 and 1982 – Italy went on to win the title both times.
- Greece and Italy drew 1-1 when they last met on 19.11.2008, with Fanis Gekas and Luca Toni on target in a Piraeus friendly that brought Greece goalkeeper Alexandros Tzorvas a first cap.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.08.2008	Berne (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-3
29.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (semi-final)	D 0-0 (W 3-1p)
21.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (second stage)	L 1-2
22.11.1975	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
20.11.1974	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	2	6
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Others	12	6	6	0	19	10
Total	17	7	7	3	22	18

Facts

- Goals from Ruud van Nistelrooy, Wesley Sneijder and Giovanni van Bronckhorst helped the Netherlands, who have never beaten Italy in a friendly, defeat the Azzurri 3-0 in their opening game at UEFA EURO 2008. It was the Oranje's first win in nine meetings between the sides.
- Ten-man Italy saw off the Netherlands on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2000 semi-finals after an eventful tie in which Frank de Boer and Patrick Kluivert missed spot kicks in regulation time.
- That was the first meeting between the countries in a major tournament since the 1978 FIFA World Cup, when the Dutch booked their place in the final courtesy of long-range goals from Ernie Brandts and Arie Haan; Brandts had earlier put through his own net.

Versus Poland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
30.04.1997	Naples (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0
02.04.1997	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
08.07.1982	Barcelona (ESP)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 2-0
14.06.1982	Vigo (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
26.10.1975	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifier)	D 0-0
19.04.1975	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifier)	D 0-0
23.06.1974	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-2
01.11.1965	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 6-1
18.04.1965	Warsaw (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	7	3	3	1	12	3
Others	5	2	1	2	7	6
Total	14	5	6	3	19	9

Facts

- The countries met twice at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, once in the group stage and again in the semi-finals, where Italy prevailed 2-0 thanks to two goals from Paolo Rossi; Poland were without star player Zbigniew Boniek, who joined Italian club Juventus after the finals.
- Poland's only competitive victory came at the 1974 World Cup; a 2-1 win in Stuttgart sealed a group stage exit for Italy, whose consolation came from Fabio Capello five minutes from time.
- Mario Balotelli and Giampaolo Pazzini scored as Italy won 2-0 in the most recent meeting, a friendly at the new stadium in Wroclaw on 11.11.2011.

Versus Portugal**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.11.1993	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
24.02.1993	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
05.12.1987	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
14.02.1987	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
22.12.1957	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0
26.05.1957	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	0
World Cup	4	3	0	1	7	4
Others	18	13	2	3	40	17
Total	24	18	2	4	51	21

Facts

- Italy are 11 games unbeaten against Portugal, a run that stretches back to a 2-1 defeat in Lisbon on 22.12.1976 in which Nené scored twice.
- On 17.11.1993 the sides met in a 1994 FIFA World Cup qualifier when victory for either would have sent them through at their opponents' expense; Italy's Dino Baggio (84) got the only goal.
- Italy won 3-1 the last time the teams met in a friendly on 06.02.2008, Luca Toni, Andrea Pirlo and Fabio Quagliarella on target for the then world champions in Zurich.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
01.04.2009	Bari (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
18.06.1994	New Jersey (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
30.06.1990	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 1-0
10.05.1971	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.12.1970	Florence (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	2	0	0	5	1
World Cup	4	1	2	1	4	4
Others	5	4	0	1	9	4
Total	11	7	2	2	18	9

Facts

- The teams last met in a friendly in Liege, Belgium, on 07.06.2011, the Republic of Ireland winning 2-0 to maintain coach Giovanni Trapattoni's unbeaten record against his country of birth following two draws in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying.
- A Salvatore Schillaci strike in Rome was enough for Italy to beat Ireland in the quarter-finals of the 1990 World Cup; four years later Ireland defeated the Azzurri by the same scoreline during the group stage courtesy of a Ray Houghton goal.
- The countries also crossed paths on the road to the 1972 UEFA European Championship, Italy winning 3-0 at home and 2-1 away, with Roberto Boninsegna and Pierino Prati on target in both games.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 2-4p)
09.07.1994	Boston (USA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 2-1
14.06.1988	Frankfurt (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
12.06.1980	Milan (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
01.06.1934	Florence (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final replay)	W 1-0
31.05.1934	Florence (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	2	0	1	0
World Cup	3	2	1	0	4	2
Others	23	7	8	8	33	27
Total	29	10	11	8	38	29

Facts

- Cesc Fàbregas converted the winning kick as Spain beat Italy 4-2 on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after a 0-0 draw, their first competitive win against the Azzurri since the final of the 1920 Olympic Games football tournament.
- Italy have twice beaten Spain in FIFA World Cup quarter-finals, Giuseppe Meazza sealing a replay triumph in 1934 while six decades later Roberto Baggio's 88th-minute goal earned a 2-1 win.
- The teams met in Bari on 10.08.2011, when goals from Riccardo Montolivo (11) and Alberto Aquilani (84) either side of Xabi Alonso's penalty (36) gave Italy a 2-1 friendly victory.

Versus Sweden

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
19.06.2000	Eindhoven (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
14.11.1987	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
03.06.1987	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
15.10.1983	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
29.05.1983	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
09.10.1971	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
09.06.1971	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
03.06.1970	Toluca (MEX)	World Cup (second stage)	W 1-0
25.06.1950	Sao Paulo (BRA)	World Cup (group stage)	L 2-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	8	3	2	3	8	9
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Others	12	6	4	2	16	12
Total	22	10	6	6	27	24

Facts

- Erik Hamrén's first match as Sweden coach came against Italy in Cesena on 18.11.2009, defender Giorgio Chiellini scoring the only goal in a 1-0 friendly victory for the Azzurri.
- Italy ended Sweden's UEFA EURO 2000 ambitions with a 2-1 group stage win but the Blågult gained a measure of revenge four years later when a 1-1 draw helped eliminate the Azzurri.
- Hans Olof Jeppson struck twice as Sweden won 3-2 in the 1950 FIFA World Cup group stage, progressing at Italy's expense; Angelo Domenghini's goal saw off Sweden group stage in 1970.

Versus Ukraine

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.09.2007	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
07.10.2006	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
30.06.2006	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (quarter-final)	W 3-0
11.11.1995	Bari (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
29.03.1995	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	4	0	0	9	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	0
Others	2	1	1	0	2	0
Total	7	6	1	0	14	2

Facts

- Italy stretched their unbeaten record against Ukraine to seven matches with a 2-0 win in Kyiv on 29.03.2011, strikers Giuseppe Rossi and Alessandro Matri (on his debut) scoring for the Azzurri.
- Ukraine's only major international tournament appearance to date – at the 2006 FIFA World Cup – was ended by Italy in the quarter-finals; the Azzurri ran out 3-0 winners in Hamburg en route to lifting the trophy for a fourth time.
- Italy beat Ukraine home and away in UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying, eventually finishing 12 points above them to top a group that also included France; former AC Milan forward Andriy Shevchenko scored Ukraine's consolation in a 2-1 defeat in Kyiv when Antonio Di Natale got both Italy goals.

NETHERLANDS

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.07.1998	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2
Others	1	1	0	0	3	0
Total	2	1	0	1	4	2

Facts

- Croatia won the first meeting between the sides, prevailing 2-1 in the 1998 FIFA World Cup third-place play-off. Davor Šuker scored the winner to secure the Golden Boot with six goals.
- Slaven Bilić played all 90 minutes of that tie and was coach when the teams met in February 2008.
- In that friendly, goals from John Heitinga, Klaas-Jan Huntelaar and Jan Vennegoor of Hesselink earned the Oranje a 3-0 win in Split.

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.10.2005	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
08.09.2004	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
19.06.2004	Aveiro (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-3
10.09.2003	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
29.03.2003	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
26.04.1995	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
16.11.1994	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	6	1	2	3	6	10
World Cup	2	2	0	0	4	0
Others	1	0	1	0	1	1
Total	9	3	3	3	11	11

Facts

- The pair qualified together for UEFA EURO 2004 (the Oranje via a play-off) and met again in Portugal, where the Czechs came from two goals down to win 3-2. Vladimír Šmicer settled the contest with an 88th-minute winning goal following John Heitinga's red card.
- The Netherlands did the double over the Czech Republic in 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifying, winning both matches 2-0 to qualify for the finals. The Czechs joined them by defeating Norway in a play-off.
- Czechoslovakia defeated the Netherlands 3-1 after extra time in the 1976 semi-finals, going on to defeat West Germany on penalties in the showpiece.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2010	Johannesburg (RSA)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-0
16.06.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-0
22.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (semi-finals)	D 2-2 (L 4-5p)
04.10.1967	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
30.11.1966	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	9	5
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	0
Others	24	9	8	7	47	34
Total	29	12	9	8	58	39

Facts

- The most famous meeting between these sides came in the EURO '92 semi-finals when, with the scores level at 2-2 at the end of extra time, Peter Schmeichel saved Marco van Basten's penalty to send the tournament latecomers through to a famous showpiece.
- The Netherlands, 3-0 winners against Denmark in the UEFA EURO 2000 group stage, won 2-0 in the most recent meeting between the teams at the 2010 FIFA World Cup. Daniel Agger's own goal and a Dirk Kuyt effort sealed victory in the Group E opener in Johannesburg.
- This fixture dates back to 02.07.1912, when Denmark beat the Netherlands 4-1 in the 1912 Olympic Games semi-finals in Stockholm. They lost to Great Britain in the final.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.1996	London (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-4
13.10.1993	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
28.04.1993	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
16.06.1990	Cagliari (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
15.06.1988	Dusseldorf (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	4	5
World Cup	3	1	2	0	4	2
Others	13	2	7	4	11	14
Total	18	4	9	5	19	21

Facts

- England's proposed friendly against the Netherlands at Wembley on 10 August 2011 was cancelled because of security issues; the previous meeting, in Amsterdam two years earlier, resulted in a fourth successive friendly draw between the two nations, two goals from Jermain Defoe cancelling out first-half strikes from Dirk Kuyt and Rafael van der Vaart.
- The nations' long-awaited first competitive encounter, over 50 years after their inaugural meeting, proved to be a personal triumph for Dutch striker Marco van Basten, who scored a hat-trick in a 3-1 win at EURO '88; the Oranje went on to their only major tournament triumph, England bowed out at the group stage.
- England achieved a memorable win of their own eight years later, two goals apiece from Alan Shearer and Teddy Sheringham bringing a 4-1 win against the Netherlands at Wembley; it remains the country's biggest victory in a UEFA European Championship final tournament.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.06.2008	Berne (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	W 4-1
21.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-2
22.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 4-5p)
18.11.1981	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
25.03.1981	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	1	0	7	3
World Cup	2	1	0	1	1	2
Others	17	7	3	7	43	30
Total	21	10	4	8	51	35

Facts

- The Netherlands were defeated on penalties by France in the EURO '96 quarter-finals, the second of three successive shoot-out failures for the Oranje in the UEFA European Championship.
- With both teams already through, the Netherlands beat France 3-2 in the UEFA EURO 2000 group stage. Their 2008 meeting was more meaningful, goals from Dirk Kuyt, Robin van Persie, Arjen Robben and Wesley Sneijder taking the Oranje through with a 4-1 win; France subsequently exited.
- UEFA president Michel Platini was one of the scorers when France defeated the Netherlands 2-0 at the Parc des Princes to qualify for the 1982 FIFA World Cup. Didier Six scored the other goal.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
15.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
18.06.1992	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-1
24.06.1990	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (last 16)	L 1-2
26.04.1989	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
19.10.1988	Munich (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
21.06.1988	Hamburg (GER)	EURO (semi-final)	W 2-1
14.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	L 2-3
18.06.1978	Cordoba (ARG)	World Cup (second stage)	D 2-2
07.07.1974	Munich (GER)	World Cup (final)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	8	6
World Cup	5	0	3	2	5	7
Others	29	8	10	11	50	62
Total	38	10	14	14	63	75

Facts

- On 15.11.2011, goals from Thomas Müller, Miroslav Klose and Mesut Özil earned Germany a 3-0 friendly win against the Netherlands in Hamburg, the Oranje's heaviest defeat in 15 years.
- Two of the fiercest rivals in football, these sides did not meet in a competitive international until West Germany defeated Rinus Michels' famous Netherlands team 2-1 to win the 1974 FIFA World Cup.
- Dutch revenge came 14 years later when, with Michels back in charge, Marco van Basten sealed a 2-1 victory against the hosts in the 1988 UEFA European Championship semi-finals. Van Basten also scored in the Munich final as his team won 2-0 against the Soviet Union.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
04.12.1991	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
21.11.1990	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
16.12.1987	Rhodes (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
25.03.1987	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	4	1	0	9	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	3	0	0	10	0
Total	8	7	1	0	19	1

Facts

- The Netherlands have won seven of their eight meetings with Greece. The sole exception – and the only time Greece have even scored – came in qualifying for the 1988 UEFA European Championship when Dimitrios Saravakos and Marco van Basten each registered in a 1-1 draw.
- The sides have met once at a final tournament, a Kees Kist penalty earning the Netherlands a 1-0 win in their 1980 European Championship opener. Both sides were eliminated at the first hurdle.
- Their only encounter since 1991 came on 28.04.2004, when John Heitinga was among the scorers in a 4-0 friendly victory for the Oranje in Eindhoven. Greece were 15 games unbeaten going into the match.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.08.2008	Berne (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-0
29.06.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (semi-final)	D 0-0 (L 1-3p)
21.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (second stage)	W 2-1
22.11.1975	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
20.11.1974	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	2	1
Others	12	0	6	6	10	19
Total	17	3	7	7	18	22

Facts

- Goals from Ruud van Nistelrooy, Wesley Sneijder and Giovanni van Bronckhorst helped the Netherlands, who have never beaten Italy in a friendly, defeat the Azzurri 3-0 in their opening game at UEFA EURO 2008. It was the Oranje's first win in nine meetings between the sides.
- Ten-man Italy saw off the Netherlands on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2000 semi-finals after an eventful tie in which Frank de Boer and Patrick Kluyvert missed spot kicks in regulation time.
- That was the first meeting between the countries in a major tournament since the 1978 FIFA World Cup, when the Dutch booked their place in the final courtesy of long-range goals from Ernie Brandts and Arie Haan; Brandts had earlier put through his own net.

Versus Portugal**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.2006	Nuremberg (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	L 0-1
30.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (semi-final)	L 1-2
28.03.2001	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
16.10.1991	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
17.10.1990	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	0	2	2	3
World Cup	3	0	1	2	2	5
Others	4	0	2	2	1	4
Total	10	1	3	6	5	12

Facts

- Portugal have an enviable record against the Netherlands, strengthened by their semi-final victory at UEFA EURO 2004 and their 1-0 win in the last 16 of the 2006 FIFA World Cup. Maniche was the match-winner in both games, with 19-year-old Cristiano Ronaldo also scoring in 2004.
- The countries had not met before being paired together in EURO '92 qualifying.
- The only time in the past 25 years that the Netherlands have failed to reach a major finals was the 2002 World Cup, largely due to five points dropped in qualifiers against Portugal.

Versus Republic of Ireland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.09.2001	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
02.09.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
13.12.1995	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (play-off)	W 2-0
04.07.1994	Orlando (USA)	World Cup (last 16)	W 2-0
21.06.1990	Palermo (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
18.06.1988	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
12.10.1983	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
22.09.1982	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
09.09.1981	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
10.09.1980	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.04.1934	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	4	0	0	8	3
World Cup	7	2	3	2	13	10
Others	8	3	0	5	13	13
Total	19	9	3	7	34	26

Facts

- The Netherlands romped to a 4-0 win in Dublin when the teams last met for a friendly on 16.08.2006, Klaas-Jan Huntelaar scoring twice on his international debut and Arjen Robben and Robin van Persie adding further goals.
- The Republic of Ireland lost 2-0 to the Netherlands in the last 16 at the 1994 FIFA World Cup; they drew 1-1 in the 1990 finals and ended the group phase with identical records as both teams progressed.
- Ireland were largely responsible for the Oranje missing their only major tournament in the last 25 years as they drew 2-2 in Amsterdam and won 1-0 in Dublin on the road to the 2002 World Cup.

Versus Russia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.06.2008	Basel (SUI)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 1-3 aet

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	1	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	5	2
Total	3	1	1	1	6	5

Facts

- Andrey Arshavin inspired Russia to a 3-1 extra-time victory in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after Ruud van Nistelrooy had cancelled out Roman Pavlyuchenko's opener; Dmitri Torbinski and Arshavin scored in the second additional period.
- Ryan Babel, Wesley Sneijder, Joris Mathijsen and Rafael van der Vaart were on target in the Netherlands' 4-1 friendly win in Amsterdam in February 2007; the teams also drew 1-1 in Moscow on 20.08.2008, Konstantin Zyryanov's late penalty equalising Robin van Persie's first-half goal.
- The Netherlands defeated the Soviet Union 2-0 in Munich to win the 1988 UEFA European Championship final; Marco van Basten scored a brilliant volley to seal the victory after Ruud Gullit had headed the opener, the Oranje turning round a 1-0 group stage loss.

Versus Sweden

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.10.2011	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
12.10.2010	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	W 4-1
26.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 5-4p)
19.06.1974	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	6	4
World Cup	1	0	1	0	0	0
Others	19	9	3	7	38	43
Total	23	10	5	8	44	47

Facts

- Both teams won their home meetings after being paired in Group E in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. Bert van Marwijk's team triumphed 4-1 in Amsterdam, and their finals spot was already assured when Sweden secured the best runners-up berth with a 3-2 final-day win.
- The Netherlands beat Sweden 5-4 on penalties in the 2004 quarter-finals to end a miserable run of luck from the spot in the UEFA European Championship, following shoot-out defeats at the 1992, 1996 and 2000 finals.
- This fixture dates back to 23.10.1908, when the Netherlands won 2-0 to earn Olympic bronze in London.

POLAND**Versus Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	1	1	2	3	6
Total	5	1	1	3	3	7

Facts

- Croatia won when these sides met in the final round of group matches at UEFA EURO 2008. Ivan Klasnić scored the only goal, 15 months after undergoing the second of two kidney transplants.
- Croatia also have the upper hand in the four friendlies played so far, although Poland won the most recent, a 2006 FIFA World Cup warm-up game in which Euzebiusz Smolarek secured a 1-0 success.
- Current coach Slaven Bilić was in the team that beat Poland 4-1 in a friendly on 22.04.1998.

Versus Czech Republic**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
11.10.2008	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	3
Others	3	2	0	1	5	3
Total	5	3	0	2	7	6

Facts

- The teams met in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying and Poland won the first meeting 2-1 at home, with Paweł Brożek and Jakub Błaszczykowski scoring before Martin Fenin halved the deficit with his maiden international goal.
- The Czechs came out on top in the reverse fixture almost a year to the day later courtesy of second-half strikes from Tomáš Necid and Jaroslav Plašil.
- Poland have won the two most recent friendlies between the sides, triumphing 2-0 in Larnaca, Cyprus, in February 2008 and 2-1 in Warsaw in April 1999.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.09.1977	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-1
01.05.1977	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	2
Others	16	4	1	11	23	35
Total	18	6	1	11	29	37

Facts

- Poland's 8-0 friendly loss to Denmark in Copenhagen on 26.06.1948 remains their record defeat. Carl Aage Præst, who went on to star for Juventus, scored a hat-trick.
- Denmark won 3-1 when the sides last faced each other in an unofficial friendly in Thailand in January 2010, second-half goals from Morten Rasmussen and Jesper Bech the difference after Sławomir Peszko had cancelled out Søren Rieks' opener.
- Poland enjoyed the upper hand in the teams' only competitive meetings, winning both their 1978 FIFA World Cup qualifiers to help seal a ticket to Argentina.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.10.2005	Manchester (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.09.2004	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.09.1999	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
27.03.1999	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
31.05.1997	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
09.10.1996	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.09.1993	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3
29.05.1993	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
13.11.1991	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
17.10.1990	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
11.10.1989	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
03.06.1989	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3
11.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-3
17.10.1973	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
06.06.1973	Katowice (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	2	2	2	6
World Cup	11	1	3	7	7	19
Others	2	0	1	1	1	2
Total	17	1	6	10	10	27

Facts

- The countries' last 15 games have all been competitive fixtures, most recently a 2-1 England win at Old Trafford in October 2005 after both teams had secured 2006 FIFA World Cup finals places; Frank Lampard's late winner enabled England to leapfrog their opponents to the top of the group.
- The two nations have been paired together in the qualifying for the 2014 World Cup. Their sole meeting at a final tournament came when Gary Lineker's first-half hat-trick enabled England to beat Poland 3-0 in a must-win final group game and reach the 1986 World Cup knockout phase; Lineker also scored a vital equaliser in Poznan that sent England to EURO '92

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.08.1995	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Zabrze (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.07.1982	Alicante (ESP)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	W 3-2
17.09.1967	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-4
22.10.1966	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	2	2	3	7
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	2
Others	11	2	3	6	10	18
Total	16	3	5	8	16	27

Facts

- Poland beat France 3-2 in the 1982 FIFA World Cup third-place match in Alicante, Andrzej Szarmach, Stefan Majewski and Janusz Kupcewicz scoring in the space of six minutes either side of half-time.
- France beat Poland 1-0 in their most recent meeting on 09.06.2011, Tomasz Jodłowiec's own goal consigning the UEFA EURO 2012 co-hosts to a friendly defeat in Warsaw.
- Poland regulars Ludovic Obraniak and Damien Perquis ply their trade with Ligue 1 clubs: Obraniak with LOSC Lille Métropole and Perquis with FC Sochaux-Montbéliard.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.06.2008	Klagenfurt (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
14.06.2006	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
01.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
03.07.1974	Frankfurt (GER)	World Cup (second round)	L 0-1
17.11.1971	Hamburg (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.10.1971	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	1	2	1	5
World Cup	3	0	1	2	0	2
Others	11	0	3	8	8	24
Total	17	0	5	12	9	31

Facts

- Poland have never beaten Germany but were moments from ending the drought in a Gdansk friendly on 06.09.2011. Leading 2-1 after goals from Robert Lewandowski and Jakub Błaszczykowski, the hosts were denied by Cacau in added time.
- Two goals from Lukas Podolski earned Germany a 2-0 victory against the country of his birth at UEFA EURO 2008, while at the 2006 FIFA World Cup Oliver Neuville's last-gasp winner knocked Poland out of the tournament.
- The teams also met at the other World Cup staged on German soil, in 1974. Gerd Müller conjured a late winner as the hosts won the decisive second round game 1-0 on a rain-soaked pitch in Frankfurt.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
29.04.1987	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
15.10.1986	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
19.05.1985	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-1
17.10.1984	Zabrze (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	2
World Cup	2	2	0	0	7	2
Others	11	7	2	2	20	7
Total	15	10	2	3	29	11

Facts

- Greece have not scored against Poland in their last four meetings. Their most recent game ended goalless in Larissa on 29.03.2011, when Michał Żewłakow, a former Olympiacos FC defender, won his 102nd and final cap for Poland – a national record.
- Dariusz Dziekanowski scored in three of Poland's four competitive meetings with Greece, notching five goals in all during 1986 FIFA World Cup and 1988 UEFA European Championship qualifying.
- Since those last competitive games, the teams have met six times in friendlies, with Poland winning four and drawing two. Their victories include a 1-0 triumph on the eve of UEFA EURO 2004.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
30.04.1997	Naples (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3
02.04.1997	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
08.07.1982	Barcelona (ESP)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 0-2
14.06.1982	Vigo (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0
26.10.1975	Warsaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
19.04.1975	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
23.06.1974	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	W 2-1
01.11.1965	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-6
18.04.1965	Warsaw (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	7	1	3	3	3	12
Others	5	2	1	2	6	7
Total	14	3	6	5	9	19

Facts

- The countries met twice at the 1982 FIFA World Cup, once in the group stage and again in the semi-finals, where Italy prevailed 2-0 thanks to two goals from Paolo Rossi; Poland were without star player Zbigniew Boniek, who joined Italian club Juventus after the finals.
- Poland's only competitive victory came at the 1974 World Cup; a 2-1 win in Stuttgart sealed a group stage exit for Italy, whose consolation came from Fabio Capello five minutes from time.
- Mario Balotelli and Giampaolo Pazzini scored as Italy won 2-0 in the most recent meeting, a friendly at the new stadium in Wroclaw on 11.11.2011.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.09.2007	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2006	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
10.06.2002	Jeonju (KOR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-4
07.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	W 1-0
28.10.1983	Wroclaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
10.10.1982	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
29.10.1977	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.10.1976	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	1	2	5	6
World Cup	4	2	1	1	4	5
Others	1	0	0	1	0	2
Total	9	3	2	4	9	13

Facts

- Poland and Portugal qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same group. Poland had the better of the head-to-head fixtures, winning 2-1 at home and drawing away, and topped the section.
- Euzebiusz Smolarek scored both Poland's goals in Chorzow. He was named after Eusébio by his father Włodzimierz Smolarek, who notched the winning goal for Poland against Portugal at the 1986 FIFA World Cup. No other Polish player struck against Portugal in the intervening 20 years.
- Pauleta scored a hat-trick when Portugal last defeated Poland, 4-0 at the 2002 World Cup.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.10.1991	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 3-3
01.05.1991	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	3	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	21	10	6	5	37	22
Total	23	10	8	5	40	25

Facts

- Poland were the first team to inflict defeat on the Republic of Ireland during Giovanni Trapattoni's reign when they won 3-2 at Croke Park on 19.11.2008, Robert Lewandowski scoring what proved to be the winning goal.
- The only competitive meetings between the sides came during qualifying for EURO '92, both fixtures ending in draws as the two countries failed to reach the finals in Sweden, finishing behind group winners England.
- That was Ireland's first qualifying failure under manager Jack Charlton, and it was effectively decided by the concession of two late goals to Poland in a 3-3 draw in Poznan.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	5	5
Total	3	1	1	1	5	5

Facts

- Jakub Błaszczykowski scored his first international goal the last time these sides met, as Poland came from two down to draw 2-2 with Russia in a Moscow friendly on 22.08.2007.
- Poland have never met Russia in a competitive fixture but the Soviet Union were frequent opponents; a 0-0 draw with the USSR sealed Poland's semi-final spot at the 1982 FIFA World Cup.
- Russian striker Viktor Ponedelnik hit a hat-trick as the USSR beat Poland 7-1 in a friendly ahead of the 1960 UEFA European Championship; Ponedelnik also got the winner in the final against Yugoslavia.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.09.2003	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
11.06.2003	Stockholm (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
09.10.1999	Stockholm (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
31.03.1999	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
25.10.1989	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
07.07.1989	Stockholm (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
26.06.1974	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (second stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	0	4	0	8
World Cup	3	1	0	2	2	4
Others	19	7	4	8	35	44
Total	26	8	4	14	37	56

Facts

- Poland beat Sweden 1-0 in their only major tournament encounter, during the 1974 FIFA World Cup second stage; Grzegorz Lato scored and Jan Tomaszewski saved a Staffan Tapper penalty.
- The Scandinavians have a 100% success rate in six qualifying meetings, keeping clean sheets in each of the last five and going on to reach the final tournament on every occasion.
- Sweden have won nine of the last 11 encounters; Poland's only success during that sequence came in 1991 – a 2-0 victory in a friendly in Gdynia, near Gdansk, in August 1991.

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Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.06.2008	Geneva (SUI)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-1
23.06.1996	Birmingham (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	2
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	1	3	2

Facts

- Karel Poborský's famous lob decided the EURO '96 quarter-final between the teams at Villa Park.
- The sides also met in the group stage of UEFA EURO 2008; Deco, Cristiano Ronaldo and Ricardo Quaresma scored in Portugal's 3-1 win in Geneva with Libor Sionko replying.
- Current Czech Republic coach Michal Bílek scored both goals when the former Czechoslovakia defeated Portugal 2-1 in qualifying for the 1990 FIFA World Cup in Prague.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.10.2011	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.10.2010	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
05.09.2009	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
10.09.2008	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-3
09.06.1996	Sheffield (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
09.10.1977	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-2
17.11.1976	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
12.05.1971	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 5-0
14.10.1970	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	3	1	1	11	4
World Cup	4	2	1	1	8	6
Others	3	3	0	0	6	2
Total	12	7	2	2	25	12

Facts

- The teams were drawn in the same qualifying group for UEFA EURO 2012, Denmark claiming top spot with a 2-1 home win against Portugal in their final qualifier as goals from Michael Krohn-Dehli and Nicklas Bendtner consigned the visitors to the play-offs.
- It was a similar story in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying as Denmark topped their section ahead of Portugal, who then went on to defeat Bosnia and Herzegovina in the play-offs.
- The only final tournament meeting between the sides was a 1-1 group stage draw at EURO '96; Brian Laudrup's goal for the defending champions was cancelled out by Ricardo Sá Pinto.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.07.2006	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	World Cup (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 3-1p)
24.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 2-2 (W 6-5p)
12.06.2000	Eindhoven (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-2
03.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	W 1-0
19.11.1975	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
20.11.1974	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
26.07.1966	London (ENG)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 1-2
25.10.1961	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
21.05.1961	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	1	3	0	6	5
World Cup	5	1	2	2	3	5
Others	13	1	5	7	16	35
Total	22	3	10	9	25	45

Facts

- The last two meetings, quarter-finals at the 2006 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2004, both resulted in penalty shoot-out victories for Luiz Felipe Scolari's Portugal against Sven-Göran Eriksson's England.
- England have not defeated Portugal in six competitive meetings since the semi-final of the 1966 FIFA World Cup, when Bobby Charlton scored both goals at Wembley in a 2-1 win for the hosts.
- Portugal came from two down to defeat England 3-2 in their opening group game of UEFA EURO 2000; Nuno Gomes's winning strike was the first of his 29 international goals.

Versus France

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
05.07.2006	Munich (GER)	World Cup (semi-final)	L 0-1
28.06.2000	Brussels (BEL)	EURO (semi-final)	L 1-2 aet
23.06.1984	Marseille (FRA)	EURO (semi-final)	L 2-3 aet

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	0	2	3	5
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	1
Others	19	5	1	13	24	40
Total	22	5	1	16	27	46

Facts

- The three competitive meetings have all been in semi-finals, and France have been victorious on each occasion.
- France went on to lift the Henri Delaunay Cup after a 3-2 extra-time victory on home soil at the 1984 UEFA European Championship, Michel Platini scoring a last-gasp winner in Marseille; they repeated the feat at UEFA EURO 2000, Zinedine Zidane's extra-time penalty deciding matters.
- History repeated itself at the 2006 World Cup, where a Zidane spot kick again proved to be the difference; on this occasion, however, Les Bleus did not go on to win the final.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
19.06.2008	Basel (SUI)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 2-3
08.07.2006	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (third-place play-off)	L 1-3
20.06.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-0
06.09.1997	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
14.12.1996	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
16.10.1985	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
24.02.1985	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
14.06.1984	Strasbourg (FRA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	5	3
World Cup	5	1	2	2	4	6
Others	8	1	2	5	7	15
Total	16	3	5	8	16	24

Facts

- Germany defeated Portugal 3-2 in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals; Bastian Schweinsteiger, Miroslav Klose and Michael Ballack were on target for Germany, Nuno Gomes and Hélder Postiga scoring in reply.
- Two years earlier a double from Schweinsteiger and a Petit own goal earned Germany a 3-1 win – and third place – when the countries met in the 2006 World Cup, Nuno Gomes scoring a late consolation.
- A Portugal side that had already qualified at UEFA EURO 2000 rounded off the group stage with a 3-0 defeat of Germany, Sérgio Conceição scoring a 36-minute hat-trick.

Versus Italy**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
17.11.1993	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
24.02.1993	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
05.12.1987	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
14.02.1987	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
22.12.1957	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3
26.05.1957	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	0	2	0	4
World Cup	4	1	0	3	4	7
Others	18	3	2	13	17	40
Total	24	4	2	18	21	51

Facts

- Italy are 11 games unbeaten against Portugal, a run that stretches to almost a quarter of a century, since Nené struck twice in a 2-1 defeat in Lisbon on 22.12.1976.
- On 17.11.1993 the sides met in a decisive 1994 World Cup qualifier, when victory for either would have sent them through at their opponents' expense. Dino Baggio (84) earned Italy a 1-0 win.
- Italy won 3-1 the last time the teams met in a friendly on 06.02.2008, with Luca Toni, Andrea Pirlo and Fabio Quagliarella on target for the then world champions in Zurich.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
25.06.2006	Nuremberg (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	W 1-0
30.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (semi-final)	W 2-1
28.03.2001	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2000	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
16.10.1991	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
17.10.1990	Porto (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	0	1	3	2
World Cup	3	2	1	0	5	2
Others	4	2	2	0	4	1
Total	10	6	3	1	12	5

Facts

- Portugal have an enviable record against the Netherlands, strengthened by their semi-final victory at UEFA EURO 2004 and their 1-0 win in the last 16 of the 2006 FIFA World Cup. Maniche was the match-winner in both games, with 19-year-old Cristiano Ronaldo also scoring in 2004.
- The countries had not met before being paired together in EURO '92 qualifying.
- The only time in the past 25 years that the Netherlands have failed to reach a major final tournament was the 2002 World Cup, largely due to five points dropped in qualifiers against Portugal.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
08.09.2007	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2006	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
10.06.2002	Jeonju (KOR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-0
07.06.1986	Monterrey (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
28.10.1983	Wroclaw (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
10.10.1982	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
29.10.1977	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.10.1976	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	6	5
World Cup	4	1	1	2	5	4
Others	1	1	0	0	2	0
Total	9	4	2	3	13	9

Facts

- Poland and Portugal qualified for UEFA EURO 2008 from the same group. Poland had the better of the head-to-head fixtures, winning 2-1 at home and drawing away, and topped the section.
- Euzebiusz Smolarek scored both Poland's goals in Chorzow. He was named after Eusébio by his father Włodzimierz Smolarek, who notched the winning goal for Poland against Portugal at the 1986 FIFA World Cup. No other Polish player struck against Portugal in the intervening 20 years.
- Pauleta scored a hat-trick when Portugal last defeated Poland, 4-0 at the 2002 World Cup.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
02.06.2001	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
07.10.2000	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
15.11.1995	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
26.04.1995	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	3	1
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Others	8	5	0	3	10	5
Total	12	6	2	4	15	8

Facts

- A first (and last) international goal from defender Andy O'Brien gave the Republic of Ireland a 1-0 win against Portugal in the teams' last meeting, a Dublin friendly on 09.02.2005.
- Ireland and Portugal traded 1-1 draws in the qualifying campaign for the 2002 FIFA World Cup; both teams qualified for the finals – Portugal as group winners, Ireland via the play-offs.
- Portugal confirmed their place at EURO '96 with a 3-0 win against Ireland in Lisbon in their final qualifying match; group runners-up Ireland missed out after a play-off defeat by the Netherlands, bringing manager Jack Charlton's reign to an end.

Versus Russia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.09.2005	Moscow (RUS)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
13.10.2004	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 7-1
16.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	0
World Cup	2	1	1	0	7	1
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	2	1	0	9	1

Facts

- Portugal won 2-0 when these sides met at UEFA EURO 2004, Maniche's first international goal helping seal group stage elimination for a Russia side who had Sergei Ovchinnikov sent off.
- Four months later Cristiano Ronaldo struck twice as Portugal defeated Russia 7-1 in FIFA World Cup qualifying in Lisbon, their biggest defeat as an independent country (since 1912 including USSR).
- Russia and Portugal have been drawn together in 2014 World Cup qualifying Group F, along with Israel, Northern Ireland, Azerbaijan and Luxembourg. They meet in Russia on 12 October 2012.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
29.06.2010	Cape Town (RSA)	World Cup (last 16)	L 0-1
20.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
17.06.1984	Marseille (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
09.04.1950	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
02.04.1950	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-5
18.03.1934	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
11.03.1934	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-9

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	5	0	1	4	4	19
Others	30	8	11	11	42	53
Total	37	9	14	15	48	73

Facts

- Goals from Carlos Martins, Hugo Almeida and Hélder Postiga (2) helped Portugal to a 4-0 friendly victory when the sides met in Lisbon on 17.11.2010, their biggest win against Spain.
- Nuno Gomes' second-half strike earned a 1-0 win against Spain that took Portugal through to the UEFA EURO 2004 quarter-finals, ending Spanish hopes in the process.
- It was also 1-0 when the teams met in the 2010 FIFA World Cup round of 16 in Cape Town, as David Villa's goal just after the hour took Vicente del Bosque's men through.

Versus Ukraine

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.11.1996	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
05.10.1996	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	1	2	2

Facts

- The countries' only two meetings took place in the qualifying competition for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- Ukraine won the first fixture 2-1 in Kyiv thanks to goals from Serhiy Popov and Olexandr Maxymov, the latter's an 88th-minute winner; although Portugal were victorious a month later in Porto thanks to a Fernando Couto strike, neither team qualified for the finals as Germany topped the group.
- Portuguese title holders FC Porto did the double over Ukrainian counterparts FC Shakhtar Donetsk in this season's UEFA Champions League group stage, winning 2-1 at home and 2-0 away.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
04.09.1999	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
05.09.1998	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	0	4	0	4	4
Total	6	1	4	1	6	5

Facts

- The two nations' most recent meeting was a 0-0 friendly draw in Dublin on 10.08.2011 – the fifth time in a sequence of eight games in which the Republic of Ireland did not concede a goal.
- The teams' last competitive meeting, a vital UEFA EURO 2000 qualifier in Zagreb, was won by Croatia with virtually the last kick of the game as Davor Suker struck his 42nd international goal to record a 1-0 win.
- Earlier in the same campaign, Manchester United FC pair Denis Irwin and Roy Keane scored as Ireland triumphed 2-0 in Croatia's first competitive outing after finishing third at the 1998 FIFA World Cup.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
27.03.1991	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
14.11.1990	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.1990	Cagliari (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
12.06.1988	Stuttgart (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
06.02.1980	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
25.10.1978	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
19.05.1957	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
08.05.1957	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-5

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	1	3	1	4	5
World Cup	3	0	2	1	3	7
Others	5	1	1	3	5	7
Total	13	2	6	5	12	19

Facts

- The Republic of Ireland's major tournament debut came against England at the 1988 UEFA European Championship, and it proved memorable as Ray Houghton scored the only goal of the game in Stuttgart; it remains Ireland's only competitive win against England in eight attempts.
- The two teams also met at the start of the 1990 FIFA World Cup group stage, drawing 1-1 on a windswept night in Cagliari before sharing further 1-1 draws on the road to EURO '92; on each occasion, England finished above Ireland to win the group.
- England also got the better of Ireland in qualifying for the 1988 UEFA European Championships and the 1958 World Cup. Aside from their Stuttgart success, Ireland's only other win against their rivals came in a September 1949 friendly in Liverpool.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.10.2007	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
02.09.2006	Stuttgart (GER)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
05.06.2002	Ibaraki (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	1	1	0	1
World Cup	1	0	1	0	1	1
Others	13	5	2	6	20	23
Total	16	5	4	7	21	25

Facts

- The teams last came face to face during qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008, Germany winning 1-0 at home with a goal from Lukas Podolski and claiming a 0-0 draw in Dublin that enabled them to become the first nation to secure their place alongside hosts Austria and Switzerland.
- Their only meeting at a major final tournament came at the 2002 FIFA World Cup, when a late Robbie Keane equaliser cancelled out an earlier strike from Miroslav Klose.
- The sides will meet twice in qualifying Group C for the 2014 World Cup.

Versus Greece**Meetings in official competitions**

The two teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	0	1
Total	2	0	1	1	0	1

Facts

- Greece and the Republic of Ireland have yet to face each other in a competitive international.
- The more recent of their two friendly contests took place in Athens on 20.11.2002 and resulted in a goalless draw; Ireland were led by caretaker manager Don Givens at the time.
- Their first meeting was a friendly in Dublin on 26.04.2000, in which Vasillios Lakis scored to give the visitors a 1-0 win.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
01.04.2009	Bari (ITA)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
18.06.1994	New Jersey (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	W 1-0
30.06.1990	Rome (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 0-1
10.05.1971	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
08.12.1970	Florence (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	0	2	1	5
World Cup	4	1	2	1	4	4
Others	5	1	0	4	4	9
Total	11	2	2	7	9	18

Facts

- The teams last met in a friendly in Liege on 07.06.2011, Ireland winning 2-0 to extend Giovanni Trapattoni's unbeaten record against Italy after two 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying draws.
- A Salvatore Schillaci strike in Rome was enough for Italy to beat Ireland in the quarter-finals of the 1990 World Cup; four years later Ireland defeated the Azzurri by the same scoreline during the group stage courtesy of a Ray Houghton goal.
- The countries also crossed paths on the road to 1972 UEFA European Championship, Italy winning 3-0 at home and 2-1 away, with Roberto Boninsegna and Pierino Prati on target in both games.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
01.09.2001	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
02.09.2000	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
13.12.1995	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (play-off)	L 0-2
04.07.1994	Orlando (USA)	World Cup (last 16)	L 0-2
21.06.1990	Palermo (ITA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
18.06.1988	Gelsenkirchen (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
12.10.1983	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
22.09.1982	Rotterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
09.09.1981	Rotterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
10.09.1980	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.04.1934	Amsterdam (NED)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 2-5

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	0	4	3	8
World Cup	7	2	3	2	10	13
Others	8	5	0	3	13	13
Total	19	7	3	9	26	34

Facts

- The Oranje won 4-0 in Dublin when the teams last met for a friendly on 16.08.2006, Klaas-Jan Huntelaar scoring twice on his international bow. Arjen Robben and Robin van Persie also struck.
- Ireland lost 2-0 to the Netherlands in the last 16 at the 1994 FIFA World Cup; four years earlier the teams drew 1-1 and ended the group phase with identical records – both progressed.
- Ireland were largely responsible for the Oranje missing their only major tournament in the last 25 years when they drew 2-2 in Amsterdam and won in Dublin on the road to the 2002 World Cup.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.10.1991	Poznan (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 3-3
01.05.1991	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	3	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	21	5	6	10	22	37
Total	23	5	8	10	25	40

Facts

- Poland were the first team to inflict defeat on the Republic of Ireland during Giovanni Trapattoni's reign when they won 3-2 at Croke Park on 19.11.2008, Robert Lewandowski scoring what proved to be the winning goal.
- The only competitive meetings between the sides came during qualifying for EURO '92, both fixtures ending in draws as the two countries failed to reach the finals in Sweden, finishing behind group winners England.
- That was Ireland's first qualifying failure under manager Jack Charlton, and it was effectively decided by the concession of two late goals to Poland in a 3-3 draw in Poznan.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
02.06.2001	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
07.10.2000	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
15.11.1995	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
26.04.1995	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	3
World Cup	2	0	2	0	2	2
Others	8	3	0	5	5	10
Total	12	4	2	6	8	15

Facts

- A first (and last) international goal from defender Andy O'Brien gave the Republic of Ireland a 1-0 win against Portugal in the teams' last meeting, a Dublin friendly on 09.02.2005.
- Ireland and Portugal traded 1-1 draws in the qualifying campaign for the 2002 FIFA World Cup; both teams qualified for the finals – Portugal as group winners, Ireland via the play-offs.
- Portugal confirmed their place at EURO '96 with a 3-0 win against Ireland in Lisbon in their final qualifying match; group runners-up Ireland missed out after a play-off defeat by the Netherlands, bringing manager Jack Charlton's reign to an end.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.09.2011	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
08.10.2010	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3
06.09.2003	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
07.09.2002	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-4

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	2	2	5	8
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	2	2
Total	7	1	3	3	7	10

Facts

- The teams met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, with Russia inflicting Giovanni Trapattoni's second competitive defeat as Ireland coach with a 3-2 win in Dublin; they drew 0-0 in Moscow.
- Russia also took four points off Ireland during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- Ireland's only victory in seven meetings came on 13.02.2002 in a Dublin friendly, Steven Reid and Robbie Keane scoring in a 2-0 win.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.06.2002	Suwon (KOR)	World Cup (last 16)	D 1-1 (L 2-3p)
13.10.1993	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
18.11.1992	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
26.04.1989	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
16.11.1988	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
27.04.1983	Zaragoza (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
17.11.1982	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 3-3
07.12.1966	Valencia (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
23.10.1966	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.11.1965	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
27.10.1965	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-4
05.05.1965	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
08.04.1964	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (second round)	L 0-2
11.03.1964	Seville (ESP)	EURO (second round)	L 1-5

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	6	0	2	4	4	14
World Cup	8	2	2	4	5	11
Others	10	2	3	5	9	23
Total	24	4	7	13	18	48

Facts

- Their last contest – and the only one at a major tournament – came in the 2002 FIFA World Cup last 16, Spain going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which Robbie Keane scored a 90th-minute equaliser.
- Spain and Ireland qualified in tandem for the 1994 World Cup, edging out European champions Denmark; Spain topped the group thanks to a 3-1 win in Dublin, Julio Salinas scoring twice.
- The two countries also advanced to the 1990 World Cup from the same qualifying group, with Spain heading the section despite a 1-0 defeat in Dublin sealed by midfielder Michel's own goal.

Versus Sweden

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
28.10.1970	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
14.10.1970	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
13.11.1949	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3
02.06.1949	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	2	6
Others	4	3	0	1	9	6
Total	8	3	1	4	12	14

Facts

- The most recent meeting between the sides, in Dublin on 01.03.2006, brought a 3-0 friendly victory for the Republic of Ireland in their first match under Steve Staunton.
- Over four decades have passed since the two countries last contested a competitive fixture, Sweden winning a 1972 UEFA European Championship qualifier 1-0 in Solna with a goal from Tom Turesson.
- The teams have been drawn together in the same qualifying group for the 2014 FIFA World Cup.

Versus Ukraine

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

Facts

- The Republic of Ireland and Ukraine have never played each other at either senior or Under-21 level.
- Current Ukraine coach Oleh Blokhin scored one of his 42 international goals for the Soviet Union against Ireland in a 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifier in Kyiv on 18.05.1975.
- The USSR team that drew 1-1 with Ireland in a 1988 UEFA European Championship group game featured eight FC Dynamo Kyiv players, including scorer Oleh Protasov, and was coached by Ukrainian Valeriy Lobanovskiy.

RUSSIA

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.06.2007	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
06.09.2006	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	2	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	2	0	0	0

Facts

- Both progressed to UEFA EURO 2008 from qualifying Group E; their two head-to-head fixtures finished goalless.
- Croatia did Russia a huge favour by beating England 3-2 at Wembley in their final qualifying match; Croatia had already qualified and England needed only a draw to join them at Russia's expense.
- Croatia goalkeeper Stipe Pletikosa made 63 league appearances for FC Spartak Moskva between 2007 and 2010 and is currently at another Russian club, FC Rostov.

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
19.06.1996	Liverpool (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 3-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	1	0	3	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	1	0	3	3

Facts

- Russia's sole point at EURO '96 came in a 3-3 draw with the Czech Republic at Anfield, Vladimír Šmicer – now part of the Czech coaching team – scoring the late equaliser to keep the eventual runners-up in the competition.
- The Soviet Union beat Czechoslovakia 3-0 in the semi-finals of the inaugural European Championship in 1960; Valentin Ivanov scored twice and Viktor Ponedelnik once.
- Russia coach Dick Advocaat recorded a home draw (1-1) and away defeat (1-3) against the Czech Republic during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying while in charge of the Netherlands; the Czechs were also 3-2 winners against his Dutch side at the finals in Portugal.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

Facts

- The last encounter between Denmark and a national team containing Russian players was a pre-EURO '92 friendly against the CIS (Commonwealth of Independent States) in Copenhagen on 03.06.1992; it ended 1-1.
- Denmark's 4-2 win against the USSR in a FIFA World Cup qualifier in Copenhagen on 5 June 1985 – Denmark's Constitution Day – is often considered to be the best ever performance by the Danish national team.
- The USSR gained a measure of revenge in the reverse fixture in Moscow that September, winning 1-0; they also prevailed 6-0 at home and 3-1 away in 1966 World Cup qualifying.

Versus France

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
05.06.1999	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
10.10.1998	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	5	5
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	2	3
Total	5	2	1	2	7	8

Facts

- Russia were the first team to defeat France at the Stade de France, their 3-2 win on 5 June 1999 ending the hosts' 27-match unbeaten run at the national stadium.
- A 1-1 draw between Russia and Ukraine, coupled with France's 3-2 defeat of Iceland, in the final round of UEFA EURO 2000 qualifiers sealed Les Bleus' place at the finals; Ukraine would have topped the group had they won.
- A meeting of Laurent Blanc and Dick Advocaat would mean the President taking on the Little General – their respective nicknames.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2008	Salzburg (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0
20.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
11.10.1995	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
26.04.1995	Salonika (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
17.11.1993	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
23.05.1993	Moscow (RUS)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	4	0	0	8	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	2
Others	4	0	4	0	5	5
Total	10	4	5	1	14	9

Facts

- Russia beat Greece in the group stage at the last two EURO finals; Konstantin Zyryanov scored the only goal in 2008, and Russia were the only side to defeat Greece (2-1) at UEFA EURO 2004.
- Greece and Russia made their first World Cup appearances at the 1994 finals after qualifying from the same group; Greece finished top after winning the pair's final meeting 1-0 in Athens.
- The sides drew 1-1 when they met in Piraeus on 11 November, Kostas Katsouranis cancelling out Roman Shirokov's early deflected goal; Fanis Gekas later headed against the upright.

Versus Netherlands

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.06.2008	Basel (SUI)	EURO (quarter-final)	W 3-1 aet

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	3	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	2	5
Total	3	1	1	1	5	6

Facts

- Andrey Arshavin inspired Russia to a 3-1 extra-time victory in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after Ruud van Nistelrooy had cancelled out Roman Pavlyuchenko's opener; Dmitri Torbinski and Arshavin scored in the second additional period.
- Ryan Babel, Wesley Sneijder, Joris Mathijsen and Rafael van der Vaart were on target in the Netherlands' 4-1 friendly win in Amsterdam in February 2007; the teams also drew 1-1 in Moscow on 20.08.2008, Konstantin Zyryanov's late penalty equalising Robin van Persie's first-half goal.
- The Netherlands defeated the Soviet Union 2-0 in Munich to win the 1988 UEFA European Championship final; Marco van Basten scored a brilliant volley to seal the victory after Ruud Gullit had headed the opener, the Oranje turning round a 1-0 group stage loss.

Versus Poland

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	5	5
Total	3	1	1	1	5	5

Facts

- Jakub Błaszczykowski scored his first international goal the last time these sides met, as Poland came from two down to draw 2-2 with Russia in a Moscow friendly on 22.08.2007.
- Poland have never met Russia in a competitive fixture but the Soviet Union were frequent opponents; a 0-0 draw with the USSR sealed Poland's semi-final spot at the 1982 FIFA World Cup.
- Russian striker Viktor Ponedelnik hit a hat-trick as the USSR beat Poland 7-1 in a friendly ahead of the 1960 UEFA European Championship; Ponedelnik also got the winner in the final against Yugoslavia.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.09.2005	Moscow (RUS)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
13.10.2004	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-7
16.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	2
World Cup	2	0	1	1	1	7
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	3	0	1	2	1	9

Facts

- Portugal won 2-0 when these sides met at UEFA EURO 2004, Maniche's first international goal helping seal group stage elimination for a Russia side who had Sergei Ovchinnikov sent off.
- Four months later Cristiano Ronaldo struck twice as Portugal defeated Russia 7-1 in FIFA World Cup qualifying in Lisbon, their biggest defeat as an independent country (since 1912 including USSR).
- Russia and Portugal have been drawn together in 2014 World Cup qualifying Group F, along with Israel, Northern Ireland, Azerbaijan and Luxembourg; they meet in Russia on 12 October 2012.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.09.2011	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
08.10.2010	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
06.09.2003	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
07.09.2002	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	W 4-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	2	0	8	5
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	2	2
Total	7	3	3	1	10	7

Facts

- The teams met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying, with Russia inflicting Giovanni Trapattoni's second competitive defeat as Ireland coach with a 3-2 win in Dublin; they drew 0-0 in Moscow.
- Russia also took four points off Ireland during UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying.
- Ireland's only victory in seven meetings came on 13.02.2002 in a Dublin friendly, Steven Reid and Robbie Keane scoring in a 2-0 win.

Versus Spain

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
26.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (semi-final)	L 0-3
10.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUS)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-4
12.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	0	3	1	8
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	1	1	0	1
Total	5	0	1	4	1	9

Facts

- Spain beat Russia 1-0 in their opening game of UEFA EURO 2004, substitute Juan Carlos Valerón scoring less than a minute after coming on; neither team made it through to the quarter-finals.
- Marcelino (84) hit the winner as Spain beat holders the Soviet Union 2-1 in the 1964 final in Madrid; the countries had been drawn to meet in the quarter-finals in 1960 but Spain withdrew.
- Spain and Russia met twice at UEFA EURO 2008; Spain kicked off their group campaign with a 4-1 group stage victory over Guus Hiddink's men before dispatching them 3-0 in the semi-finals.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-0
24.06.1994	Detroit (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	1	0	0	2	0
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	3
Others	4	0	2	2	4	8
Total	6	1	2	3	7	8

Facts

- Roman Pavlyuchenko and Andrey Arshavin scored as Russia beat Sweden 2-0 in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage, advancing to the knockout phase for the first time since 1988 (as USSR).
- At the 1994 FIFA World Cup Sweden progressed at Russia's expense, coming from behind to win 3-1 in Detroit courtesy of two goals from striker Martin Dahlin.
- In between the teams contested two friendlies; Sweden won 1-0 in Orebro on 19.08.1998, while on 28.08.2002 Zlatan Ibrahimović's last-minute goal earned them a 1-1 draw in Moscow.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.10.1999	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
05.09.1998	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 2-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	1	1	3	4
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	0	1	1	3	4

Facts

- The former Soviet republics have met only twice – in UEFA EURO 2000 qualification – since they began to compete as separate nations in 1992.
- Ukraine won the first match, 3-2 in Kyiv, but a 1-1 draw in the final qualifier in Moscow allowed France to top the group and eliminated Russia (as a result of an 88th-minute Andriy Shevchenko goal); Ukraine had to contest the play-offs, where they lost to Slovenia.
- Viktor Onopko, the player with the most international caps for Russia, was born in the Ukrainian city of Luhansk.

SPAIN**Versus Croatia****Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	4	2	1	1	6	3
Total	4	2	1	1	6	3

Facts

- All four of the teams' previous meetings have been friendly matches.
- Croatia's first victory away from home after regaining independence came against Spain in Valencia in March 1994; they won 2-0 with goals from Robert Prosinečki and Davor Šuker.
- The most recent match between the two nations was held on Swiss soil, in Geneva in June 2006; in the final warm-up game for both countries before that year's FIFA World Cup, Spain came from behind to win 2-1 thanks to a last-minute goal from Fernando Torres.

Versus Czech Republic**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.10.2011	Prague (CZE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
25.03.2011	Granada (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
08.06.1997	Valladolid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
09.10.1996	Prague (CZE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	2	0	0	4	1
World Cup	2	1	1	0	1	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	3	1	0	5	1

Facts

- Spain qualified for the 1998 FIFA World Cup at the Czechs' expense. The only goal in the two qualifying games was a penalty converted by Fernando Hierro; Raúl González won the first of his 102 caps in Prague in October 1996.
- The teams also met in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying; David Villa scored twice for Spain in a 2-1 win in Granada with Juan Mata and Xabi Alonso on target in Spain's 2-0 home defeat.
- Jaroslav Plašil, the Czech midfielder, was at Spanish club CA Osasuna between 2007 and 2009, scoring eight goals in 66 Liga appearances.

Versus Denmark

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
13.10.2007	Aarhus (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-1
24.03.2007	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
11.10.1995	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
16.11.1994	Seville (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
17.11.1993	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
31.03.1993	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
11.06.1988	Hanover (GER)	EURO (group stage)	W 3-2
18.06.1986	Queretaro (MEX)	World Cup (last 16)	W 5-1
24.06.1984	Lyon (FRA)	EURO (semi-final)	D 1-1 (W 5-4p)
12.10.1975	Barcelona (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
25.09.1974	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	8	6	2	0	17	7
World Cup	3	2	0	1	6	2
Others	6	4	1	1	12	7
Total	17	12	3	2	35	16

Facts

- Vicente del Bosque began his tenure with a 3-0 victory over Denmark in Copenhagen on 20.08.2008, courtesy of two goals from Xabi Alonso and one from Xavi Hernández.
- Denmark have met Spain eight times in the UEFA European Championship – more than any of their 12 prospective UEFA EURO 2012 group stage opponents – but have never defeated them.
- Spain were the bete noire of Sepp Piontek's iconic 'Danish Dynamite' side of the 1980s, eliminating them from the 1984 UEFA European Championship and the 1986 FIFA World Cup.

Versus England

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.1996	London (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 2-4p)
05.07.1982	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (second round)	D 0-0
18.06.1980	Naples (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
08.05.1968	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 1-2
03.04.1968	London (ENG)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 0-1
02.07.1950	Rio de Janeiro (BRA)	World Cup (group stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	1	3	2	5
World Cup	2	1	1	0	1	0
Others	16	6	1	9	21	34
Total	22	7	3	12	24	39

Facts

- England ended a run of three successive defeats to Spain – friendlies in Madrid (0-1), Manchester (0-1) and Seville (0-2) – when Frank Lampard scored the only goal at Wembley last month.
- The most recent competitive encounter between the two nations, a EURO '96 quarter-final at Wembley, resulted in the only penalty shoot-out triumph recorded by England in six attempts at major tournaments; however, they lost by the same method to Germany four days later. A goalless draw between the two nations in Madrid in the second round of the 1982 FIFA World Cup confirmed England's exit from the tournament alongside their already eliminated opponents.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
27.06.2006	Hanover (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	L 1-3
25.06.2000	Bruges (BEL)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 1-2
15.06.1996	Leeds (ENG)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
12.10.1991	Seville (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
20.02.1991	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
27.06.1984	Paris (FRA)	EURO (final)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	0	1	4	4	10
World Cup	1	0	0	1	1	3
Others	24	13	5	6	52	22
Total	30	13	6	11	57	35

Facts

- Spain have never beaten France in a competitive match. That run began in the 1984 UEFA European Championship final in Paris, where goals from Michel Platini and Bruno Bellone earned Les Bleus a 2-0 win and a first major international title.
- France knocked Spain out of UEFA EURO 2000 after Raúl González fired a last-minute penalty over the bar; Spanish hopes were also ended by France at the 2006 World Cup, where Les Bleus came from behind to win 3-1.
- Spain have won the teams' last three friendlies, most recently 2-0 in Paris on 03.03.2010, David Villa and Sergio Ramos getting the goals. They will meet in 2014 World Cup qualifying.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
07.07.2010	Durban (RSA)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 1-0
29.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (final)	W 1-0
21.06.1994	Chicago (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
17.06.1988	Munich (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
20.06.1984	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
02.07.1982	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-2
22.05.1976	Munich (GER)	EURO (quarter-final)	L 0-2
24.04.1976	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 1-1
20.07.1966	Birmingham (ENG)	World Cup (group stage)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	5	2	1	2	3	5
World Cup	4	1	1	2	4	5
Others	12	4	4	4	16	17
Total	21	7	6	8	23	27

Facts

- Spain have beaten Germany at the last two major international tournaments; in 2010, a Carles Puyol header was all that separated the sides in the FIFA World Cup semi-final.
- Germany had also lost 1-0 two years earlier, Fernando Torres scoring the only goal of the UEFA EURO 2008 final in Vienna.
- Germany triumphed in the 1976 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals, drawing 1-1 in Madrid and winning 2-0 in Munich.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2008	Salzburg (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
16.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
07.06.2003	Zaragoza (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
07.09.2002	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
21.02.1973	Malaga (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
17.01.1973	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	1	1	5	3
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	3
Others	4	3	1	0	8	4
Total	10	7	2	1	19	10

Facts

- Daniel Güiza scored an 88th-minute winner when these sides met at UEFA EURO 2008, though Spain had already sealed progress as Group D winners; Greece were already out.
- Angelos Charisteas broke the deadlock in Salzburg, four years after scoring in a 1-1 draw between the teams in the UEFA EURO 2004 group stage when Fernando Morientes struck for Spain.
- Greece's sole victory over Spain came in UEFA EURO 2004 qualifying on 07.06.2003 when Stelios Giannakopoulos' stunning strike was the difference between the sides in Zaragoza.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (W 4-2p)
09.07.1994	Boston (USA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 0-1
14.06.1988	Frankfurt (GER)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
12.06.1980	Milan (ITA)	EURO (group stage)	D 0-0
01.06.1934	Florence (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final replay)	L 0-1
31.05.1934	Florence (ITA)	World Cup (quarter final)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	2	1	0	1
World Cup	3	0	1	2	2	4
Others	23	8	8	7	27	33
Total	29	8	11	10	29	38

Facts

- Cesc Fàbregas converted the winning kick as Spain beat Italy 4-2 on penalties in the UEFA EURO 2008 quarter-finals after a 0-0 draw, their first competitive win against the Azzurri since the final of the 1920 Olympic Games football tournament.
- Italy have twice beaten Spain in FIFA World Cup quarter-finals, Giuseppe Meazza sealing a replay triumph in 1934 while six decades later Roberto Baggio's 88th-minute goal earned a 2-1 win.
- The teams met in Bari on 10.08.2011, when goals from Riccardo Montolivo (11) and Alberto Aquilani (84) either side of Xabi Alonso's penalty (36) gave Italy a 2-1 friendly victory.

Versus Portugal**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
29.06.2010	Cape Town (RSA)	World Cup (last 16)	W 1-0
20.06.2004	Lisbon (POR)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-1
17.06.1984	Marseille (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
09.04.1950	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
02.04.1950	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 5-1
18.03.1934	Lisbon (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
11.03.1934	Madrid (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 9-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	0	1	1	1	2
World Cup	5	4	1	0	19	4
Others	30	11	11	8	53	42
Total	37	15	13	9	73	48

Facts

- Goals from Carlos Martins, Hugo Almeida and Hélder Postiga (2) helped Portugal to a 4-0 friendly victory when the sides met in Lisbon on 17.11.2010, their biggest win against Spain.
- Nuno Gomes' second-half strike earned a 1-0 win against Spain that took Portugal through to the UEFA EURO 2004 quarter-finals, ending Spanish hopes in the process.
- It was also 1-0 when the teams met in the 2010 FIFA World Cup round of 16 in Cape Town as David Villa's goal just after the hour took Vicente del Bosque's men through.

Versus Republic of Ireland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
16.06.2002	Suwon (KOR)	World Cup (last 16)	D 1-1 (W 3-2p)
13.10.1993	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
18.11.1992	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
26.04.1989	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
16.11.1988	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
27.04.1983	Zaragoza (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
17.11.1982	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 3-3
07.12.1966	Valencia (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
23.10.1966	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
10.11.1965	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
27.10.1965	Seville (ESP)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 4-1
05.05.1965	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
08.04.1964	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (second round)	W 2-0
11.03.1964	Seville (ESP)	EURO (second round)	W 5-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	6	4	2	0	14	4
World Cup	8	4	2	2	11	5
Others	10	5	3	2	23	9
Total	24	13	7	4	48	18

Facts

- Their last contest – and the only one at a major tournament – came in the 2002 FIFA World Cup last 16, Spain going through on penalties after a 1-1 draw in which Robbie Keane scored a 90th-minute equaliser.
- Spain and Ireland qualified in tandem for the 1994 World Cup, edging out European champions Denmark; Spain topped the group thanks to a 3-1 win in Dublin, Julio Salinas scoring twice.
- The two countries also advanced to the 1990 World Cup from the same qualifying group, with Spain heading the section despite a 1-0 defeat in Dublin sealed by midfielder Michel's own goal.

Versus Russia**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
26.06.2008	Vienna (AUT)	EURO (semi-final)	W 3-0
10.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 4-1
12.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	3	0	0	8	1
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	1	0
Total	5	4	1	0	9	1

Facts

- Spain beat Russia 1-0 in their opening game of UEFA EURO 2004, substitute Juan Carlos Valerón scoring less than a minute after coming on; neither team made it through to the quarter-finals.
- Marcelino (84) hit the winner as Spain beat holders the Soviet Union 2-1 in the 1964 final in Madrid; the countries had been drawn to meet in the quarter-finals in 1960 but Spain withdrew.
- Spain and Russia met twice at UEFA EURO 2008; Spain kicked off their group campaign with a 4-1 group stage victory over Guus Hiddink's men before dispatching them 3-0 in the semi-finals.

Versus Sweden**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
17.11.2007	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
07.10.2006	Stockholm (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
11.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (second stage)	W 1-0
16.07.1950	Sao Paulo (BRA)	World Cup (second stage)	L 1-3

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	0	1	5	3
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	3
Others	8	3	4	1	14	9
Total	13	6	4	3	21	15

Facts

- David Villa's injury-time goal in Innsbruck helped Spain to a 2-1 group stage win against Sweden at UEFA EURO 2008, sealing a quarter-final place with a game to spare.
- Spain had booked their 2008 finals berth with a 3-0 home win against Sweden – Joan Capdevila, Andrés Iniesta and Sergio Ramos scoring – though Sweden qualified as group runners-up.
- Spain captain Iker Casillas made his international debut against Sweden on 03.06.2000, 14 days after his 19th birthday, as a substitute in a 1-1 friendly draw in Gothenburg.

SWEDEN**Versus Czech Republic****Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	1	1	0	5	4
Total	2	1	1	0	5	4

Facts

- The Czech Republic were held to a 3-3 friendly draw by Sweden in Teplice in November 2002, the visitors' Mikael Nilsson marking his international debut with two goals; he scored only one more in his 64 games for Sweden.
- Sweden's other goal in that draw came from current assistant coach Marcus Allbäck.
- Sweden won 2-1 in Gothenburg in September 2005; Czech striker Jan Koller converted a penalty for his 40th international goal, but Henrik Larsson and Markus Rosenberg gave the hosts victory.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
06.06.2009	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
08.09.2007	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
02.06.2007	Copenhagen (DEN)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
22.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 2-2
14.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	W 1-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	2	2	0	6	2
World Cup	2	0	0	2	0	2
Others	96	43	16	37	176	163
Total	102	45	18	39	182	167

Facts

- The Scandinavian rivals met as recently as 11.11.2011, a goal apiece from Nicklas Bendtner and Michael Krohn-Dehli earning Denmark a 2-0 win in Copenhagen.
- Drawn in the same 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying group, Denmark defeated Sweden 1-0 home and away to reach South Africa at their neighbours' expense; Sweden had earlier helped eliminate Denmark during UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying.
- A 2-2 draw between the two countries in their final group game at UEFA EURO 2004 enabled both teams to progress to the quarter-finals and send Italy home.

Versus England**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
20.06.2006	Cologne (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	D 2-2
02.06.2002	Saitama (JPN)	World Cup (group stage)	D 1-1
05.06.1999	London (ENG)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
05.09.1998	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-1
17.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	W 2-1
06.09.1989	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
19.10.1988	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	2	1	0	4	2
World Cup	4	0	4	0	3	3
Others	14	4	4	6	18	25
Total	21	6	9	6	25	30

Facts

- England's 1-0 win at Wembley last month was their first victory over Sweden in 43 years, the nations having met 12 times since 1968, yielding four wins for Sweden and eight draws; Sweden remain undefeated by England in competitive fixtures.
- Drawn group stage encounters at the 2002 and 2006 FIFA World Cups sent both teams into the next round; England were led on each occasion by Swedish coach Sven-Göran Eriksson.
- Tomas Brodin scored a spectacular late winner to enable Sweden to come from behind and defeat England 2-1 in their final group game at EURO '92, the victory sending the host nation through to the semi-finals and eliminating Graham Taylor's side.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
22.08.1993	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
28.04.1993	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
10.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
05.09.1979	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
01.09.1978	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
01.11.1969	Paris (FRA)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-3
15.10.1969	Stockholm (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	0	2	1	4	6
World Cup	4	1	1	2	4	6
Others	10	3	2	5	8	13
Total	17	4	5	8	16	25

Facts

- France are unbeaten in the countries' last 11 encounters, with Sweden's most recent victory coming back in 1969, when the teams met competitively for the first time.
- The teams' only fixture at a final tournament came at EURO '92 when hosts Sweden were held 1-1 in Stockholm in the opening game by a France side coached by Michel Platini; Jean-Pierre Papin equalised for Les Bleus after Jan Eriksson had opened the scoring.
- Although France got the better of Sweden in 1994 World Cup qualifying, winning at home and drawing away, Sweden topped the group and France were eliminated.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
24.06.2006	Munich (GER)	World Cup (last 16)	L 0-2
21.06.1992	Solna (SWE)	EURO (semi-final)	L 2-3
25.09.1985	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
17.10.1984	Cologne (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
30.06.1974	Dusseldorf (GER)	World Cup (second stage)	L 2-4
26.09.1965	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2
04.11.1964	Berlin (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
24.06.1958	Gothenburg (SWE)	World Cup (semi-final)	W 3-1
21.11.1937	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-5
31.05.1934	Milan (ITA)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	2	3
World Cup	9	1	2	6	10	21
Others	26	11	7	8	40	40
Total	36	12	9	15	52	64

Facts

- Germany and Sweden will meet in qualifying for the 2014 FIFA World Cup.
- The teams' most recent encounter ended goalless in Gothenburg on 17 November 2010.
- Germany eliminated Sweden from the 2006 World Cup, winning their round of 16 encounter 2-0 with both goals from Lukas Podolski; less than two months later they met again in a Gelsenkirchen friendly, Germany winning 3-0.

Versus Italy**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2004	Porto (POR)	EURO (group stage)	D 1-1
19.06.2000	Eindhoven (NED)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
14.11.1987	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
03.06.1987	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
15.10.1983	Naples (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
29.05.1983	Gothenburg (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
09.10.1971	Milan (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
09.06.1971	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
03.06.1970	Toluca (MEX)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
25.06.1950	Sao Paulo (BRA)	World Cup (group stage)	W 3-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	8	3	2	3	9	8
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
Others	12	2	4	6	12	16
Total	22	6	6	10	24	27

Facts

- Erik Hamrén's first match as Sweden coach came against Italy in Cesena on 18.11.2009, when defender Giorgio Chiellini scored the only goal in a 1-0 friendly victory for the Azzurri.
- Italy ended Sweden's UEFA EURO 2000 ambitions with a 2-1 group stage win but the Blågult gained a measure of revenge four years later when a 1-1 draw helped eliminate the Azzurri.
- Sweden's 3-2 win in the 1950 World Cup group stage sent them through at Italy's expense.

Versus Netherlands**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
11.10.2011	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-2
12.10.2010	Amsterdam (NED)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-4
26.06.2004	Faro/Loule (POR)	EURO (quarter-final)	D 0-0 (L 4-5p)
19.06.1974	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (group stage)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	1	1	4	6
World Cup	1	0	1	0	0	0
Others	19	7	3	9	43	38
Total	23	8	5	10	47	44

Facts

- Both teams won their home meetings after being paired in Group E in UEFA EURO 2012 qualifying. Bert van Marwijk's team triumphed 4-1 in Amsterdam, and their finals spot was already assured when Sweden secured the best runners-up berth with a 3-2 final-day win.
- The Netherlands beat Sweden 5-4 on penalties in the 2004 quarter-finals to end a miserable run of luck from the spot in the UEFA European Championship, following shoot-out defeats at the 1992, 1996 and 2000 finals.
- This fixture dates back to 23.10.1908, when the Netherlands won 2-0 to earn Olympic bronze in London.

Versus Poland**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.09.2003	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
11.06.2003	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 3-0
09.10.1999	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
31.03.1999	Chorzow (POL)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
25.10.1989	Chorzow (POL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-0
07.07.1989	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1
26.06.1974	Stuttgart (GER)	World Cup (second stage)	L 0-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	4	0	0	8	0
World Cup	3	2	0	1	4	2
Others	19	8	4	7	44	35
Total	26	14	4	8	56	37

Facts

- Poland beat Sweden 1-0 in their only major tournament encounter, during the 1974 FIFA World Cup second round; Grzegorz Lato scored and Jan Tomaszewski saved a Staffan Tapper penalty.
- The Scandinavians have a 100% success rate in six qualifying meetings, keeping clean sheets in each of the last five and going on to reach the final tournament on every occasion.
- Sweden have won nine of the last 11 encounters; Poland's only success during that sequence came in 1991 – a 2-0 victory in a friendly in Gdynia, near Gdansk, in August 1991.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
28.10.1970	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
14.10.1970	Dublin (IRL)	EURO (qualifying)	D 1-1
13.11.1949	Dublin (IRL)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1
02.06.1949	Solna (SWE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	1	0	2	1
World Cup	2	2	0	0	6	2
Others	4	1	0	3	6	9
Total	8	4	1	3	14	12

Facts

- The most recent meeting between the sides, in Dublin on 01.03.2006, brought a 3-0 friendly victory for the Republic of Ireland in their first match under Steve Staunton.
- Over four decades have passed since the two countries last contested a competitive fixture, Sweden winning a 1972 UEFA European Championship qualifier 1-0 in Solna with a goal from Tom Turesson.
- The teams have been drawn together in the same qualifying group for the 2014 FIFA World Cup.

Versus Russia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 0-2
24.06.1994	Detroit (USA)	World Cup (group stage)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	1	0	0	1	0	2
World Cup	1	1	0	0	3	1
Others	4	2	2	0	8	4
Total	6	3	2	1	11	7

Facts

- Roman Pavlyuchenko and Andrey Arshavin scored as Russia beat Sweden 2-0 in the UEFA EURO 2008 group stage, advancing to the knockout phase for the first time since 1988 (as USSR).
- At the 1994 FIFA World Cup Sweden progressed at Russia's expense, coming from behind to win 3-1 in Detroit courtesy of two goals from striker Martin Dahlin.
- In between the teams contested two friendlies. Sweden won 1-0 in Orebro on 19.08.1998, while on 28.08.2002 Zlatan Ibrahimović's last-minute goal earned them a 1-1 draw in Moscow.

Versus Spain**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.06.2008	Innsbruck (AUT)	EURO (group stage)	L 1-2
17.11.2007	Madrid (ESP)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-3
07.10.2006	Solna (SWE)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0
11.06.1978	Buenos Aires (ARG)	World Cup (group stage)	L 0-1
16.07.1950	Sao Paulo (BRA)	World Cup (second stage)	W 3-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	3	1	0	2	3	5
World Cup	2	1	0	1	3	2
Others	8	1	4	3	9	14
Total	13	3	4	6	15	21

Facts

- David Villa's injury-time goal in Innsbruck helped Spain to a 2-1 group stage win against Sweden at UEFA EURO 2008, sealing a quarter-final place with a game to spare.
- Spain had booked their 2008 finals berth with a 3-0 home win against Sweden – Joan Capdevila, Andrés Iniesta and Sergio Ramos scoring – though Sweden qualified as group runners-up.
- Spain captain Iker Casillas made his international debut against Sweden on 03.06.2000, 14 days after his 19th birthday, as a substitute in a 1-1 friendly draw in Gothenburg.

Versus Ukraine**Meetings in official competitions**

The teams have never met in an official competition.

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	2	2
Total	3	1	1	1	2	2

Facts

- Two of the three matches between the countries – all friendlies – took place this year.
- A 1-1 draw in neutral Nicosia on 09.02.2011 (which Ukraine won 5-4 on penalties) was followed on 10.08.2011 by a 1-0 win for Sweden in Kharkiv, Tobias Hysén scoring the added-time winner.
- The first meeting between the countries took place on 01.06.2008 in Solna, Serhiy Nazarenko giving Ukraine a 1-0 win in Sweden's final warm-up fixture before UEFA EURO 2008.

UKRAINE

Versus Croatia

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
06.06.2009	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 2-2
11.10.2008	Kharkiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
15.11.1997	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
29.10.1997	Zagreb (CRO)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2
11.06.1995	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 1-0
25.03.1995	Zagreb (CRO)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-4

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	1	4
World Cup	4	0	3	1	3	5
Others	1	0	0	1	1	3
Total	7	1	3	3	5	12

Facts

- Paired three times in qualifying tournaments, most recently for the 2010 FIFA World Cup, sharing a couple of draws that kept them some distance behind group winners England; neither team reached the finals in South Africa.
- Croatia qualified for EURO '96 and the 1998 World Cup at Ukraine's expense, securing their place at the latter (where they would finish third) with a 3-1 aggregate win in a two-legged play-off.
- Ukraine's record goalscorer Andriy Shevchenko made his international debut, aged 18, in the 4-0 UEFA European Championship qualifying defeat in Zagreb on 25.03.1995.

Versus Czech Republic

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	1	0	0	1	0	4
Total	1	0	0	1	0	4

Facts

- The only meeting took place on 06.09.2011, the Czech Republic winning a Prague friendly 4-0 thanks to a Michal Kadlec double and first international strikes for Jan Rezek and Daniel Kolář.
- That defeat matched the heaviest in Ukraine's history (against Croatia in 1995 and Spain in 2006) and was the fourth in succession for Oleh Blokhin's side, the country's longest losing streak.
- Blokhin scored his fifth and last goal of 1982 FIFA World Cup qualifying in a 1-1 draw against Czechoslovakia on 29.11.1981 that enabled the USSR to advance to the finals in Spain unbeaten.

Versus Denmark**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
30.03.2005	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
04.09.2004	Copenhagen (DEN)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	1	0	2	1
Others	1	0	0	1	0	1
Total	3	1	1	1	2	2

Facts

- Ukraine got the better of Denmark during qualifying for the 2006 FIFA World Cup, Oleh Blokhin's side winning 1-0 in Kyiv after drawing 1-1 away to help reach their first major finals and end Denmark's run of five successive qualifications.
- Andriy Voronin was Ukraine's match-winner in Kyiv, taking centre stage in a game that regular strike partner Andriy Shevchenko was forced to miss due to a fractured cheekbone.
- The only other meeting between the two nations yielded a 1-0 success for Denmark on 30.04.2003 as Thomas Gravesen made the difference in Copenhagen.

Versus England**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
10.10.2009	Dnipropetrovsk (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
01.04.2009	London (ENG)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 1-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Others	2	0	0	2	0	5
Total	4	1	0	3	2	7

Facts

- The two nations traded home wins in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, but the 1-0 victory for Ukraine at the Dnipro Arena – sealed by a goal from local hero Serhiy Nazarenko – was of little consequence to England as they had already qualified for the finals in South Africa.
- That defeat in Dnipropetrovsk remains the only one suffered in 18 qualifying matches by England boss Fabio Capello; his only other competitive defeat with England was a 4-1 loss to Germany in the last 16 of the 2010 World Cup.
- The two countries are set to meet again in 2014 World Cup qualifying.

Versus France**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
21.11.2007	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 2-2
02.06.2007	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
04.09.1999	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0
27.03.1999	Paris (FRA)	EURO (qualifying)	D 0-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	3	1	2	4
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	2	0	0	2	1	5
Total	6	0	3	3	3	9

Facts

- France defeated Ukraine 4-1 at the Donbass Arena in Donetsk on 06.06.2011, Laurent Blanc's side scoring three times in the closing minutes with debutant Marvin Martin claiming two after coming on as a late substitute.
- The countries met in qualifying for UEFA EURO 2000 and UEFA EURO 2008, France successfully reaching both tournaments and Ukraine staying at home.
- France's 2-2 draw in Kyiv in a UEFA EURO 2008 qualifier on 21.11.2007 was their 700th senior international; the game was also the final outing in Oleh Blokhin's first spell as Ukraine coach and the last staged in the UEFA EURO 2012 final venue before it was closed for reconstruction.

Versus Germany (including the Federal Republic of Germany)**Meetings in official competitions**

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
14.11.2001	Dortmund (GER)	World Cup (play-offs)	L 1-4
10.11.2001	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (play-offs)	D 1-1
07.06.1997	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 0-0
30.04.1997	Bremen (GER)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	4	0	2	2	2	7
Others	1	0	1	0	3	3
Total	5	0	3	2	5	10

Facts

- The first friendly between the countries took place in Kyiv last month and produced a 3-3 thriller in the inaugural international staged at the refurbished UEFA EURO 2012 final venue, Germany coming from 3-1 down to level with a 77th-minute strike from Thomas Müller.
- Germany maintained their record of never having failed to qualify for a major tournament when they overcame Ukraine 5-2 on aggregate in a play-off for the 2002 FIFA World Cup; the second leg in Dortmund was the last for Ukraine with Valeriy Lobanovskiy at the helm.
- The teams first met in a qualifying group for the 1998 World Cup, Oliver Bierhoff and Mario Basler scoring Germany's goals in a 2-0 home win before a Kyiv stalemate a few weeks later.

Versus Greece

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
18.11.2009	Donetsk (UKR)	World Cup (play-offs)	L 0-1
14.11.2009	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (play-offs)	D 0-0
08.06.2005	Athens (GRE)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 1-0
09.10.2004	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	D 1-1
11.06.2003	Athens (GRE)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-1
12.10.2002	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	W 2-0

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	0	1	2	1
World Cup	4	1	2	1	2	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	6	2	2	2	4	3

Facts

- Greece qualified for the 2010 FIFA World Cup thanks to a 1-0 victory over Ukraine in Donetsk in the second leg of the play-offs following a 0-0 draw; Dimitris Salpingidis scored the decisive goal.
- The six matches between the two countries, all staged during the past decade, have yielded just seven goals.
- Greece's 2-0 defeat by Ukraine in Kyiv on 12.10.2002 was their second in succession at the start of their qualifying campaign for UEFA EURO 2004, a tournament they would go on to win.

Versus Italy

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
12.09.2007	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-2
07.10.2006	Rome (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2
30.06.2006	Hamburg (GER)	World Cup (quarter-final)	L 0-3
11.11.1995	Bari (ITA)	EURO (qualifying)	L 1-3
29.03.1995	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (qualifying)	L 0-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	4	0	0	4	2	9
World Cup	1	0	0	1	0	3
Others	2	0	1	1	0	2
Total	7	0	1	6	2	14

Facts

- Italy stretched their unbeaten record against Ukraine to seven matches with a 2-0 win in Kyiv on 29.03.2011, strikers Giuseppe Rossi and Alessandro Matri (on his debut) scoring for the Azzurri.
- Ukraine's only major international tournament appearance to date – at the 2006 FIFA World Cup – was ended by Italy in the quarter-finals; the Azzurri ran out 3-0 winners in Hamburg en route to lifting the trophy for a fourth time.
- Italy beat Ukraine home and away in UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying, eventually finishing 12 points above them to top a group that also included France; ex-AC Milan forward Andriy Shevchenko scored Ukraine's consolation in a 2-1 defeat in Kyiv and Antonio Di Natale got both Italy goals.

Versus Portugal

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.11.1996	Porto (POR)	World Cup (qualifying)	L 0-1
05.10.1996	Kyiv (UKR)	World Cup (qualifying)	W 2-1

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	2	1	0	1	2	2
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	0	1	2	2

Facts

- The countries' two previous meetings took place in qualifying for the 1998 FIFA World Cup.
- Ukraine won the first fixture 2-1 in Kyiv thanks to goals from Serhiy Popov (4) and Olexandr Maxymov (88); although Portugal were victorious a month later in Porto thanks to a Fernando Couto strike, neither team qualified for the finals as Germany topped the group.
- Portuguese title holders FC Porto did the double over Ukrainian counterparts FC Shakhtar Donetsk in this season's UEFA Champions League group stage, winning 2-1 at home and 2-0 away.

Versus Republic of Ireland

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0

Facts

- The Republic of Ireland and Ukraine have never played each other at senior or Under-21 level.
- Current Ukraine coach Oleh Blokhin scored one of his 42 international goals for the Soviet Union against Ireland in a 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifier in Kyiv on 18.05.1975.
- The USSR team that drew 1-1 with Ireland in a 1988 UEFA European Championship group game featured eight FC Dynamo Kyiv players, including scorer Oleh Protasov, and was coached by Ukrainian Valeriy Lobanovskiy.

Versus **Russia**

Meetings in official competitions

Date	Venue	Competition	Result
09.10.1999	Moscow (RUS)	EURO (Qualifying)	D 1-1
05.09.1998	Kyiv (UKR)	EURO (Qualifying)	W 3-2

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	2	1	1	0	4	3
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2	1	1	0	4	3

Facts

- The former Soviet republics have met only twice – in UEFA EURO 2000 qualification – since they began to compete as separate nations in 1992.
- Ukraine won the first match, 3-2 in Kyiv, but a 1-1 draw in the final qualifier in Moscow allowed France to top the group and eliminated Russia (as a result of a bizarre 88th-minute Andriy Shevchenko goal); Ukraine had to contest the play-offs, where they lost to Slovenia.
- Viktor Onopko, the player with the most international caps for Russia, was born in the Ukrainian city of Luhansk.

Versus **Sweden**

Meetings in official competitions

The teams have never met in an official competition

Head-to-head record

Competition	Pld	W	D	L	F	A
EURO	0	0	0	0	0	0
World Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Others	3	1	1	1	2	2
Total	3	1	1	1	2	2

Facts

- Two of the three matches between the countries – all friendlies – took place this year.
- A 1-1 draw in neutral Nicosia on 09.02.2011 (which Ukraine won 5-4 on penalties) was followed on 10.08.2011 by a 1-0 win for Sweden in Kharkiv, Tobias Hysén scoring the added-time winner.
- The first meeting between the countries took place on 01.06.2008 in Solna, Serhiy Nazarenko giving Ukraine a 1-0 win in Sweden's final warm-up fixture before UEFA EURO 2008.