

28 June 2018

## Match highlights



### Korea Republic-Germany

- Germany became the sixth defending champions – and the third in succession – to fall at the group stage. The others were Italy in 1950, Brazil in 1966, France in 2002, Italy in 2010 and Spain in 2014.
- Germany lost against Asian opposition in the World Cup for the first time, having won all six of their previous meetings.
- Korea Republic ended a four-game losing run and eight-match winless streak in the World Cup. They had last avoided defeat in a 2-0 win over Greece at South Africa 2010.
- Five of Korea Republic's six World Cup wins have been against European opposition: Poland, Portugal and Italy in 2002, Greece in 2010, and Germany in 2018. The other victory was against Togo in 2006.
- Korea Republic equaled their record win in the World Cup, having also beat Poland in 2002 and Greece in 2010 by the same scoreline.
- Germany scored their fewest total of goals (two) in the group stage of a World Cup. Their previous low was three, set at Mexico 1986.
- Son Heungmin is now Korea Republic's joint-leading marksman in the World Cup, alongside Ahn Junghwan and Park Jisung (three goals apiece).
- Joachim Loew led Germany for the 17th time at the World Cup, moving into the top ten of coaches with the most appearances in the competition.






### Mexico-Sweden

- Sweden won their third group-stage game for the first time since beating Uruguay 3-0 in 1974.
- Mexico qualified for the knockout phase for the seventh World Cup in succession.
- Sweden scored more than two goals in a World Cup match for the first time since thrashing Bulgaria 4-0 in the playoff for third place in 1994. Thereafter, they had scored ten goals in ten games until the Mexico meeting.
- Mexico lost a World Cup match by greater than a two-goal margin for the first time since losing 6-0 to West Germany in 1978.
- Edson Alvarez scored Mexico's fourth own-goal at the World Cup and first since Javier Guzman inadvertently put past his own keeper in 1970 in a game that Italy also won by a three-goal margin.

## Serbia-Brazil

-  Brazil advanced from the first-phase group stage of the World Cup for the 13th time in a row. The last time they failed to do so was in 1966.
-  Brazil are unbeaten in the group stage in their last five World Cups, winning 12 matches and drawing three. Their last group-stage defeat was 2-1 to Norway in 1998.

## Switzerland-Costa Rica

-  Josip Drmic scored Switzerland's 50th goal in the World Cup.
-  Switzerland remain unbeaten against CONCACAF opposition in the World Cup, winning one match and drawing three.
-  Costa Rica are now winless in six World Cup matches since beating Italy in the group stage in 2014, drawing four and losing two.
-  Randall Azofeifa played in the World Cup for the first time in 12 years, since featuring against Germany in the opening match of the 2006 event. On both occasions he came on as a second-half injury-time substitute.
-  Bryan Ruiz hit the crossbar with the first-ever penalty awarded to Costa Rica in the World Cup.

## Stats wrap-up (status after 44 of 64 matches)

Matches	Goals	Average	Yellow / Red Cards*	Average	Attendance	Average
44 of 64	116	2.64	147 / 3	3.34 / 0.07	2'023'594	45'991

## On this day in the past

### 1994

Two records are set during Russia's 6-1 win over Cameroon. Firstly, Russia's Oleg Salenko bags five goals, the most by any player in a single FIFA World Cup match. In addition, Cameroon's Roger Milla becomes the oldest goalscorer at a FIFA World Cup at the age of 42 years and 39 days.

### 1958

France overpower Germany FR 6-3 in the match for third place with help from four goals by Just Fontaine. The French forward finishes the tournament as the top scorer with 13 goals, which remains the highest individual tally netted in a single edition of the FIFA World Cup.

### 1998

France's Laurent Blanc fires the first golden goal in FIFA World Cup history, in the 114th minute of a round-of-16 match against Paraguay.

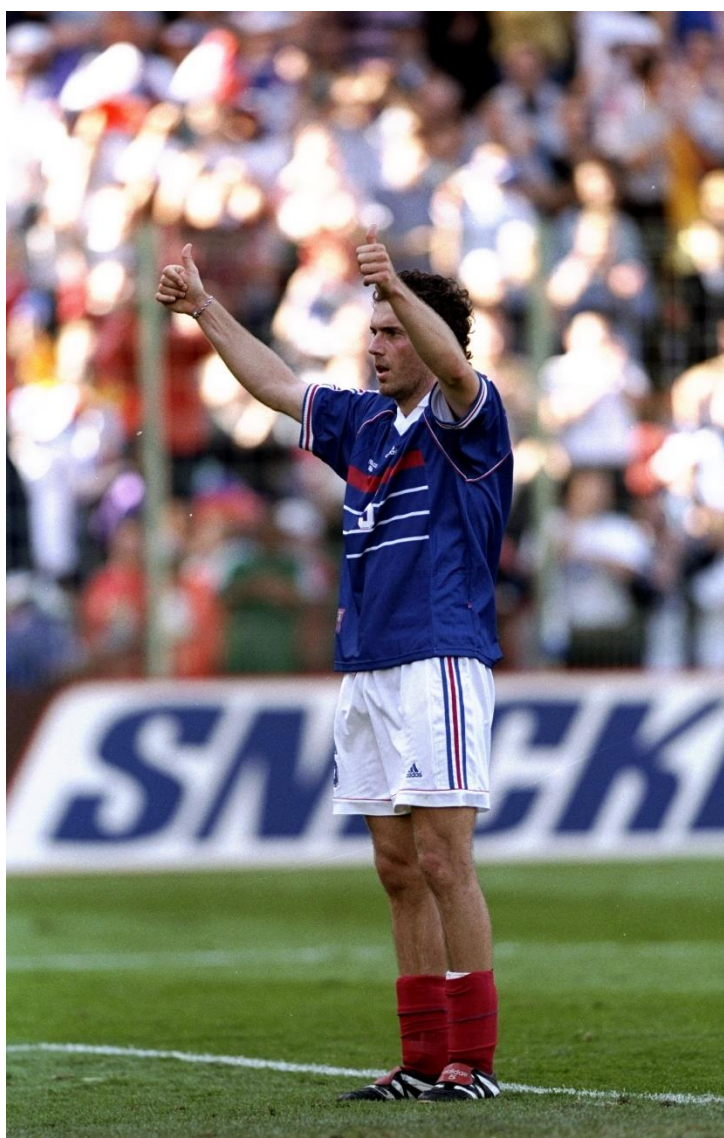


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## Next matches – 28 June



### England - Belgium



Group G				
Match #	Date	Referee designation	City	Time (LT) UTC +2
45	28-06-2018	<a href="#">Damir SKOMINA</a> (SVN)	KALININGRAD	20:00

21 previous head-to-heads ([click](#) to view full match list)

	MP	W	D	L	GF	GA
Belgium	21	1	5	15	25	70
England	21	15	5	1	70	25

## Facts & figures

- ⚽ The teams have already faced each other 21 times and England have much the better record with 15 victories to Belgium's one, plus five draws. The most recent engagement was a friendly held in London in 2012, which ended 1-0 in favour of the home side following a Danny Welbeck goal.
- ⚽ Belgium's only victory dates back to 9 May 1936, when the Red Devils prevailed 3-2 in another friendly in Brussels.
- ⚽ The pair have crossed swords in two FIFA World Cup matches and both went into extra time. In 1954 they fought out a 4-4 stalemate in Basel that remains the highest-scoring draw in the event's history, together with Colombia-USSR in 1962. The next skirmish, in the Round of 16 in 1990, was only decided by a 119th-minute David Platt goal that clinched a 1-0 victory for the *Three Lions*.
- ⚽ Gareth Southgate played against Belgium in a friendly contested in Sunderland in 1999, which England won 2-1.
- ⚽ Belgium lost both of the two World Cup games they previously contested on 28 June, going down 3-0 against Poland in 1982 and 4-2 against France in the Play-Off for Third Place in 1986.







## Panama - Tunisia



Group G				
Match #	Date	Referee designation	City	Time (LT) UTC +3
46	28-06-2018	<a href="#">Nawaf SHUKRALLA</a> (BHR)	SARANSK	21:00

No previous head-to-heads

## Facts & figures

-  The teams are meeting for the first time.
-  Tunisia have gone 13 consecutive World Cup games without victory and posted defeats in their last four fixtures. This is also the *Carthage Eagles'* fifth group-stage elimination in as many campaigns.
-  Panama are the second CONCACAF team to play a World Cup match against Tunisia, whose 3-1 success over Mexico in 1978 made history as the first victory by an African side in the competition.
-  *Canaleros* coach Hernan Gomez has already played and beaten Tunisia in the World Cup, in 1998 when he and his homeland team Colombia ran out 1-0 victors.



## Japan - Poland



Group H				
Match #	Date	Referee designation	City	Time (LT) UTC +3
47	28-06-2018	<a href="#">Janny SIKAZWE</a> (ZAM)	VOLGOGRAD	17:00

2 previous head-to-heads ([click](#) to view full match list)

	MP	W	D	L	GF	GA
Japan	2	2	0	0	7	0
Poland	2	0	0	2	0	7

## Facts & figures

- ⚽ This is the 1000th time a European team has appeared at the FIFA World Cup.
- ⚽ Japan won both of their previous showdowns against Poland without conceding a goal. Both were friendly matches and the last one, which was held in Lodz in March 2002, ended 2-0 following goals from Hidetoshi Nakata and Naohiro Takahara.
- ⚽ This is the 20th World Cup fixture contested by the East Asians, whose tournament debut on 14 June 1998 culminated in a 1-0 defeat by Argentina in Toulouse.
- ⚽ Poland have suffered their third consecutive group-round exit, after their 2002 and 2006 campaigns finished in similar fashion.
- ⚽ This is the Poles' second duel with an Asian team in the World Cup. The first saw them defeated 2-0 by Korea Republic in 2002.
- ⚽ The eastern Europeans are contesting their second World Cup fixture on 28 June, having overpowered Belgium 3-0 on this day in 1982 thanks to a hat-trick by Zbigniew Boniek.



## Senegal - Colombia



Group H				
Match #	Date	Referee designation	City	Time (LT) UTC +4
48	28-06-2018	<a href="#">Milorad MAZIC</a> (SRB)	SAMARA	18:00

1 previous head-to-heads ([click](#) to view full match list)

	MP	W	D	L	GF	GA
Colombia	1	0	1	0	2	2
Senegal	1	0	1	0	2	2

## Facts & figures

- ⚽ The pair's only past encounter ended 2-2 in May 2014 in Buenos Aires, following goals from Teofilo Gutierrez and Carlos Bacca for Colombia and Moussa Konate and Cheikh N'Doye for Senegal.
- ⚽ Colombia also played on 28 June four years ago in Brazil, when they saw off Uruguay 2-0 in the Round of 16.
- ⚽ Senegal are the fourth African side to go toe-to-toe with Colombia in the World Cup. After losing 2-1 to Cameroon in 1990, *Los Cafeteros* edged Tunisia 1-0 in 1998 and Côte d'Ivoire 2-1 in 2014.

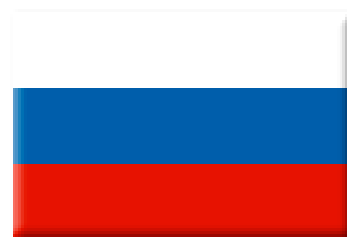
## Metro to Moscow

*A 33-stop journey through Russian and Soviet football history as we countdown towards the FIFA World Cup Final at the Luzhniki on July 15th.*

### 17 days to the FINAL

17 goals in four matches were scored at the Fisht Stadium during the FIFA Confederations Cup 2017. Every team that took to the field at the beautiful arena in Sochi managed at least one goal. In fact, the four fixture - Germany 3-2 Australia, Mexico 2-1 New Zealand, Germany 3-1 Cameroon and Germany 4-1 Mexico - produced an average of 4.25 goals per game. No other venue at the Confederation Cups saw as many goals as the Fisht, which is named after a mountain peak located not far from Sochi.

## Russian Football Dictionary



### How to say...

Group stage  
Round robin  
Table  
Points

### in Russian

Групповой раунд / grooppavoy round  
Круговой турнир / kroogavoy toorneer  
Таблица / tablitsa  
Очки / ochkee

## Happy Birthday

*Players, coaches and referees celebrating their Birthday*

When	Turning...
28 JUNE	
Kevin DE BRUYNE (BEL)	27
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Oscar HILJEMARK (SWE)	26



# From Russia with Love

*Remembering the teams missing out in this year's FIFA World Cup*

## CANADA

FIFA World Cup™ facts & figures

Participations 1 (1986)

Best achievement Group stage 1986



Canada faced only European teams in their one campaign, specifically France, Hungary and Soviet Union.

Two of the five goals conceded by the Canucks in the FIFA World Cup were scored by Ballon d'Or winners Oleg Blokhin (who earned the accolade in 1975) and Jean-Pierre Papin (1991).

Canada are one of five teams that have competed in the World Cup finals without ever having scored a goal.

## CUBA

### FIFA World Cup™ facts & figures

Participations	1 (1938)
Best achievement	Quarter-finals 1938

Together with Indonesia (who were then known as Dutch East Indies), Cuba have endured the longest absence from the FIFA World Cup, their last appearance dating back 80 years.

Three of Cuba's five goals in the 1938 edition were scored by Hector Socorro.

The 8-0 drubbing by Sweden in the quarter-finals remained the heaviest defeat in the tournament's history for the next 16 years, until Korea Republic lost 9-0 to Hungary in 1954.



## HAITI

### FIFA World Cup™ facts & figures

Participations	1 (1974)
Best achievement	Group stage 1974

Both of the goals scored by Haiti in 1974 were bagged by Emmanuel Sanon.

Sanon's strike against Italy ended Azzurri stopper Dino Zoff's run of 1143 minutes without conceding a goal.

In Haiti's 22-man squad for the 1974 edition, only captain Wilner Nazaire played for a European club, which was Valenciennes in France.



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# Switching Roles

*Nine of the coaches competing in Russia 2018 have playing experience in the FIFA World Cup. They will feature in our Stats of the Day together with other players/managers who have shaped the competition's history.*

## DUNGA

A defensive midfielder who graced the top flights in Brazil, Italy, Germany and Japan, Dunga represented Brazil in three FIFA World Cups (from 1990 to 1998), lifting the Trophy as captain in 1994 and nearly repeating the feat four years later as his team finished runners-up to France. Dunga sits joint-third in the Brazilian ranking for World Cup appearances with 18, alongside Taffarel and behind Cafu (20) and Ronaldo (19). At South Africa 2010, Dunga steered A Verde e Amarelo to the quarter-finals, where they were defeated by the Netherlands.



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# Football Fashion

## Tunisia in 1978



...and now



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## Striking snaps from tournaments past



A rainbow on the football pitch – Mexico's Jorge Campos brightens up the 1994 World Cup

Photo by Simon Bruty/ALLSPORT

## Tantalizing World Cup Trivia

### Today's question

Which coach has managed the most host teams?

➔ *Solution will be revealed in tomorrow's edition*

### Yesterday's solution

Of the 16 players who had played only one minute in the FIFA World Cup before 2018, only one played his minute in a Final that his team won. Who was he?

➔ *Argentina's Marcelo Trobbiani in 1986*



## Memorabilia marvel

*Designed to showcase the extraordinary history of the FIFA World Cup, the FIFA World Football Museum in Zurich covers all aspects of international football's rich heritage and shows how the beautiful game connects and inspires the world. With an interactive, multimedia display of exhibits, the museum explores the emotions that football awakens around the world on a daily basis. Exhibition space of more than 3,000 square meters offers a fascinating journey through time. During the 2018 FIFA World Cup Russia™ we are happy to present a few of the many objects.*

### 1982

Shirt worn by Poland's Zbigniew Boniek in the 1982 FIFA World Cup group match against Italy

The years 1972 until 1982 were glorious years for football in Poland. Gold at the 1972 Munich Olympics was followed by a World Cup qualification campaign in which they famously knocked out England thanks to the outstanding goalkeeping of Jan Tomaszewski. Third place at the 1974 World Cup was an extraordinary achievement for a country making only their second appearance at the finals and their first since 1938. 1978 saw Zbigniew Boniek make his World Cup debut, helping the Poles to a respectable second group stage finish, and he was the star of the team when Poland reached the semi-finals four years later. They were beaten 2-0 by Italy and had to settle for third place again, but how different it may have been if Boniek had not missed the game through suspension. This shirt is therefore from the group match between the two nations.



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