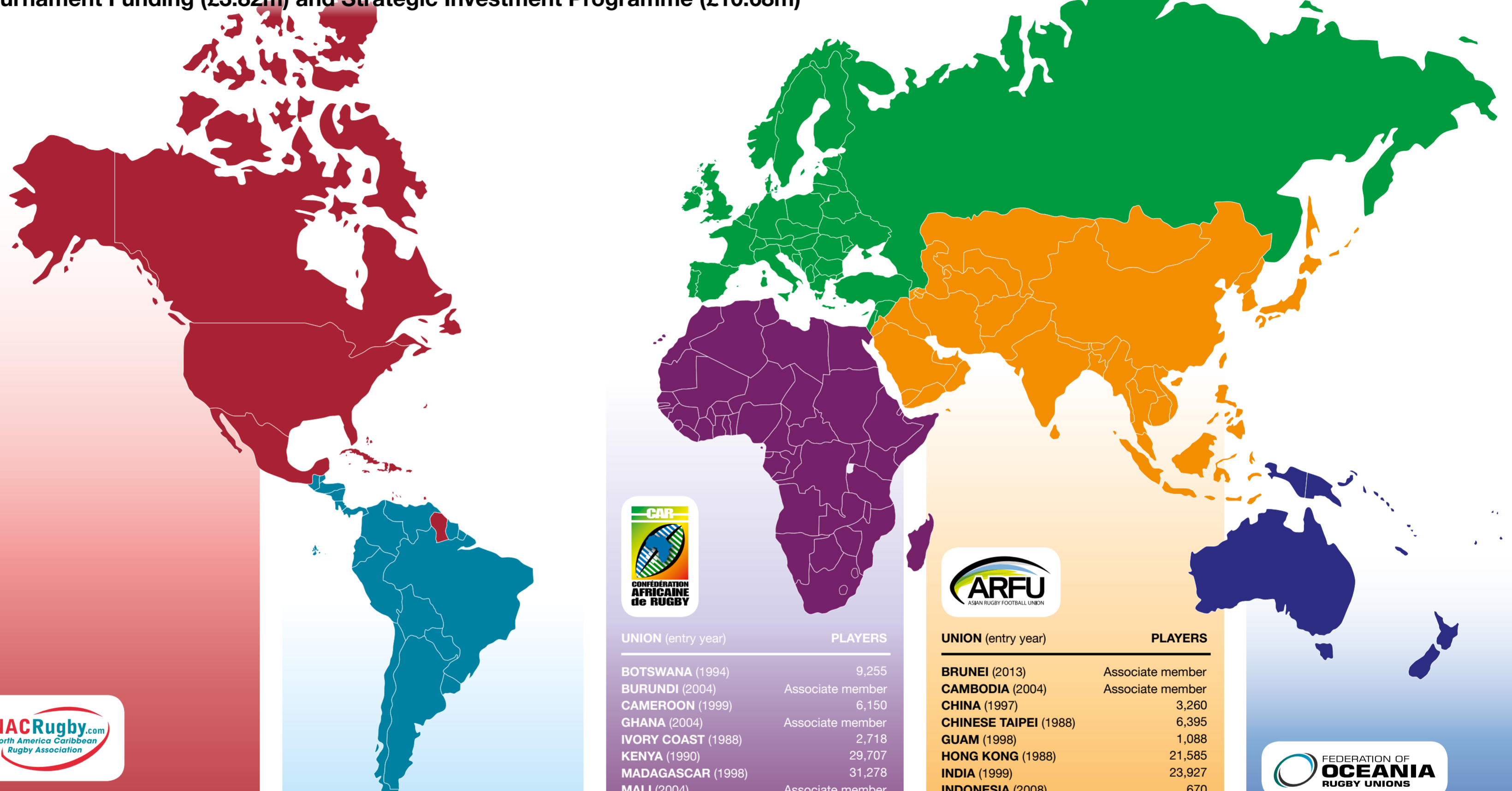


119 countries... 6.6 million players



Rugby is now played in more countries around the world than ever before, boosted by record funding through the IRB Development Programme (£8.23m), Regional Tournament Funding (£3.82m) and Strategic Investment Programme (£10.68m)

Registered 2.36 million
Non Registered 4.3 million
Female players 1.5 million



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

ANDORRA (1991)	3,104
ARMENIA (2004)	Associate member
AUSTRIA (1992)	1,320
AZERBAIJAN (2004)	Associate member
BELGIUM (1988)	15,616
BOSNIA & HERZEGOVINA (1996)	979
BULGARIA (1992)	1,815
CROATIA (1992)	2,431
CZECH REPUBLIC (1988)	11,610
DENMARK (1988)	3,253
ENGLAND (1890)	2,028,348
FINLAND (2001)	2,701
FRANCE (1978)	359,022
GEORGIA (1992)	6,708
GERMANY (1988)	12,922
GREECE (2009)	1,210
HUNGARY (1991)	3,053
IRELAND (1886)	177,604
ISRAEL (1988)	4,905
ITALY (1987)	77,858
LATVIA (1991)	1,366
LITHUANIA (1992)	2,129
LUXEMBOURG (1991)	2,099
MALTA (2000)	19,352
MOLDOVA (1994)	3,263
MONACO (1998)	991
NETHERLANDS (1988)	26,629
NORWAY (1993)	2,280
POLAND (1988)	14,389
PORTUGAL (1988)	41,497
ROMANIA (1987)	12,810
RUSSIA (1990)	28,542
SCOTLAND (1886)	104,142
SERBIA (1988)	3,086
SLOVENIA (1996)	387
SPAIN (1988)	51,123
SWEDEN (1988)	7,309
SWITZERLAND (1988)	4,365
UKRAINE (1992)	3,915
WALES (1886)	66,114



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

BAHAMAS (1994)	335
BARBADOS (1995)	252
BERMUDA (1992)	714
BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS (2001)	Associate member
CANADA (1987)	129,131
CAYMAN (1997)	2,401
GUYANA (1995)	442
JAMAICA (1996)	1,267
MEXICO (2006)	7,099
ST LUCIA (1996)	Associate member
ST. VINCENT & THE GRENADINES (2001)	192
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO (1992)	1,190
USA (1987)	1,402,962



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

ARGENTINA (1987)	127,214
BRAZIL (1995)	16,128
CHILE (1991)	18,686
COLOMBIA (1999)	10,277
PARAGUAY (1989)	2,879
PERU (1999)	1,668
URUGUAY (1989)	8,554
VENEZUELA (1998)	2,108



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

BOTSWANA (1994)	9,255
BURUNDI (2004)	Associate member
CAMEROON (1999)	6,150
GHANA (2004)	Associate member
IVORY COAST (1988)	2,718
KENYA (1990)	29,707
MADAGASCAR (1998)	31,278
MALI (2004)	Associate member
MAURITANIA (2003)	Associate member
MAURITIUS (2004)	779
MOROCCO (1988)	4,899
NAMIBIA (1990)	9,317
NIGERIA (2001)	800
RWANDA (2004)	Associate member
SENEGAL (1999)	5,016
SOUTH AFRICA (1949)	387,009
SWAZILAND (1998)	26,639
TANZANIA (2004)	Associate member
TOGO (2004)	Associate member
TUNISIA (1988)	21,923
UGANDA (1997)	26,410
ZAMBIA (1995)	12,210
ZIMBABWE (1987)	33,128



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

BRUNEI (2013)	Associate member
CAMBODIA (2004)	Associate member
CHINA (1997)	3,260
CHINESE TAIPEI (1988)	6,395
GUAM (1998)	1,088
HONG KONG (1988)	21,585
INDIA (1999)	23,927
INDONESIA (2008)	670
IRAN (2010)	Associate member
JAPAN (1987)	119,598
KAZAKHSTAN (1997)	4,070
KOREA (1988)	5,090
KYRGYSTAN (2004)	Associate member
LAOS (2004)	Associate member
MALAYSIA (1988)	75,400
MONGOLIA (2004)	Associate member
PAKISTAN (2004)	7,215
PHILIPPINES (2004)	2,295
SINGAPORE (1989)	12,430
SRI LANKA (1988)	58,480
THAILAND (1989)	12,450
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (2012)	6,316
UZBEKISTAN (2004)	Associate member



UNION (entry year) PLAYERS

AMERICAN SAMOA (2005)	3,220
AUSTRALIA (1949)	482,897
COOK ISLANDS (1995)	2,054
FIJI (1987)	156,140
NEW ZEALAND (1949)	149,978
NIUE ISLANDS (1999)	450
PAPUA NEW GUINEA (1993)	19,192
SAMOA (1988)	38,240
SOLOMON ISLANDS (1999)	10,101
TAHITI (1994)	1,971
TONGA (1987)	7,577
VANUATU (1999)	1,715

FIRA-AER	
38 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	3,110,247
World playing population percentage	46.5%
World population percentage	13.75%

NACRA	
11 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	1,545,985
World playing population percentage	23%
World population percentage	8.99%

CONSUR	
8 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	187,514
World playing population percentage	2.8%
World population percentage	6.99%

CAR	
16 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	607,238
World playing population percentage	9.08%
World population percentage	8.52%

ARFU	
16 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	360,269
World playing population percentage	5.4%
World population percentage	61.05%

FORU	
12 MEMBER UNIONS	
Region Playing numbers	873,535
World playing population percentage	13%
World population percentage	0.7%