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FOREWORD

It is with great pleasure that I introduce to you the Technical Study Group (TSG) report of the ninth edition of the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup. The tournament was held this summer in the beautiful Brittany region of France and although it was the ninth edition for FIFA, it marked a special occasion for me and FIFAs' new Women's Football Division, as it was the first Women's World Cup tournament since the division was created.

Women's football has taken momentous strides in the last few years, driven by the ever-increasing number of grassroots participants across the globe as well as by a concentrated top-down effort and increased investment by football's governing bodies. The performances of the individual players and teams on the pitch in the four Host Cities displayed the tangible benefits of the amplified attention that the women's game has received, and deserves.

Saint-Malo's Stade de Marville, Dinan-Léhon's Stade du Clos Gastel, the Stade Guy-Piriou in Concarneau and the Stade de la Rabine in Vannes provided perfect, picturesque backdrops to the skilful and passionate football that was played by the 16 participating teams. The passion on the pitch was matched by the fans in the stands, who created a festive, family atmosphere at every match. The tournament slogan, Dare to Shine™, was chosen to inspire and encourage girls to get involved in the game. The top performer in each game, as selected by FIFA's TSG, claimed the Dare to Shine™ Player of the Match award. Meanwhile, ettie, a young chicken with a passion for life and for football, was well received as the tournament mascot.

There were two tournament debutants: Haiti, who qualified from the CONCACAF Women's U-20 Championship in Trinidad and Tobago in January 2018, and the Netherlands. This took the total number of nations to have reached the competition to 35. Paraguay returned for only the second time and Spain – the UEFA Women's U-19 Championship winners – were back for only their third tournament. Meanwhile, Germany, Brazil, Nigeria and the USA continued their ever-present records.



Sarai Bareman
Chief Women's Football Officer

The TSG observed and analysed every match, identifying the latest trends and discussing the competition with experts in order to gather information on best practices. Their analysis and the information they gained have been collated into this report to provide a tool for education and training, while video material is supplied in the form of online links to back up the report's findings and help people to put them into practice on the training ground.

These materials are intended to support, encourage and inspire daily training and, in the process, to raise the general level of play and promote player development.

Yours sincerely,

Sarai Bareman

TECHNICAL STUDY GROUP

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TOURNAMENT OBSERVATION



GOAL ANALYSIS

A total of 98 goals were scored at the FIFA Women's U-20 World Cup France 2018, at a rate of 3.09 per game. This represented the lowest tally since the competition was expanded to a 16-team tournament in 2006. A possible explanation for this decline is a general improvement in defensive organisation and goalkeeping, as discussed later.

With a tournament average of just 12.9 shots on goal per team per game – of which only 4.9 hit the target; champions Japan excelled with 7.5 (second only to the USA) – it was very much a case of forwards needing to make the most of slim pickings. Indeed, with 47 of the goals coming with a first touch, not only was delivery important – as the subsequent section on wing play will highlight – but there was some deadly finishing on display.

The progress that has been made in the overall ability and attitudes of attackers at this level was demonstrated by the excellent anticipation and eye for goal that were exhibited. Spain's Patricia Guijarro (8) notched six times, more than half of her nation's overall tally, a ratio that emphasises the importance of having a clinical finisher in the ranks. By shining in this area, Guijarro underlined why she had finished as the top scorer at the UEFA Women's U 19 Championship 2017, where her five goals were capped by the winner in the final against France.

The hosts also scored six of their ten tournament goals with first-time finishes; three more came from the penalty spot, with the other an individual effort from the prolific Emelyne Laurent (7).

Only 19 goals came from set pieces, representing a rather low ratio and underlining the paramount importance of creativity, combination play and speed, with better scoring opportunities being fashioned from

open play. Spain were the dead-ball masters, with four goals from set plays. This can be seen as a direct consequence of their higher press and positioning, as well as the fact that they routinely dominated possession and tellingly had a lot of the ball in the final third, where set pieces inherently become more dangerous. Six more of these set-play goals came from the penalty spot, of which half were scored by France.

Thirty-four goals were set up by effective wing play, many of which were the culmination of quick counter-attacks, while only few resulted from prolonged spells of passing. Getting the ball into the danger zone quickly and efficiently was another key feature of the tournament, with 37 goals scored after three passes or fewer. England led the way in this department: eight of their 12 goals were scored on the break, of which seven followed three passes or fewer and almost all were built from their own defence.

Champions Japan scored six goals through combination play and five on the counter-attack, with just one set-piece goal. They also scored a tournament-high two – together with Germany – of the seven goals that resulted from throw-ins, another in-game situation that they were able to exploit to the maximum, with efficiency and effectiveness key attributes in their triumphant campaign.

Finally, there were only three headed goals among the total of 98. Goalkeepers commanding their areas well and the strong aerial ability of central defenders could be seen as contributing factors to this number being so low. Furthermore, the effective wing play described above, and explored in more detail later, often entailed low balls into the box, dribbles or cut-backs rather than high crosses, consequently reducing the opportunities for forwards to successfully attack the ball with their heads in key areas.

| COMPETITION | TOTAL GOALS | NO. OF TEAMS | NO. OF MATCHES | AVERAGE |
|-----------------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|---------|
| France 2018 | 89 | 16 | 32 | 3.06 |
| Papua New Guinea 2016 | 113 | 16 | 32 | 3.53 |
| Canada 2014 | 102 | 16 | 32 | 3.19 |
| Japan 2012 | 104 | 16 | 32 | 3.25 |
| Germany 2010 | 99 | 16 | 32 | 3.09 |
| Chile 2008 | 113 | 16 | 32 | 3.53 |
| Russia 2006 | 106 | 16 | 32 | 3.31 |
| <i>Thailand 2004*</i> | 92 | 12 | 26 | 3.54 |
| <i>Canada 2002*</i> | 101 | 12 | 26 | 3.88 |

DEFENCE-SPLITTING PASSES



There were numerous excellent transitions observed throughout the tournament, with many notably starting from the back line.

Equally eye-catching were the ability and willingness to take risks, in what was a departure from certain tendencies previously associated with women's football. In the past, finding a better-placed team-mate may have been preferred to attempting a defence-splitting pass that could carry a degree of risk. In France, however, the first thought when in the final third was not necessarily "who is better positioned than me?" but rather "what is the most decisive pass to play?"

There is still margin for improvement, but it was encouraging to see players now regularly looking to pull off this kind of pass between the lines. This was a particularly important attacking approach for England, with Georgia Stanway (10) often dropping back to pick up possession and deliver the killer ball – either via the wing or centrally – and Lauren Hemp (9) spotting open spaces and running into them effectively.

In Laia Aleixandri (4), Damaris Egurrola (6) and Patricia Guijarro, Spain had an ideal conduit to swiftly

ferry the ball from defence to attack, which they did to particularly good effect in their group match against the USA and again in the final. That said, La Rojita were also unafraid to tweak their game plan and take it slow, such as in the semi-final against France, when they switched up their positioning and shape as part of a more patient approach.

The use of three-player combinations to create overloads and unlock defences was also a common sight. Asian teams are particularly known for successfully deploying this method – in which a player links up with a team-mate with the aim of then releasing a third player into space – and that mastery was once again on display, with Korea DPR and Japan repeatedly forging openings this way. Spain similarly excelled at bypassing opponents with their quick, fluid, one-touch passing.

The USA also made good use of multiple channels when attacking, making it much harder for their opponents to defend against them. These examples highlight how important it is to have players with the ability to break through the lines.

WING PLAY

One of the main trends observed at the tournament was the effectiveness of the wing play, with many of the participating nations – and notably those who progressed to the knockout stage – ensuring width was used to incisive effect.

The approaches to wing play were varied, however. Spain and France had their wingers stay wide, while Japan's joy on the flanks relied particularly on overlaps and positional interchanging. Germany kept a wing back in an advanced position on one side, helping their attacking transitions, whereas the other one started from deeper.

Japan's wingers often drifted infield and Brazil used their two centre-forwards to create width, consequently leaving a large gap in the middle that their wide midfielders exploited by making diagonal runs inside. Since crosses did not lead to many goals, pace on the wing and good dribbling skills to penetrate into the penalty area and then cut the ball back were instead a key weapon. The wide players showed good awareness of the positioning and

movement of their team-mates inside the box, which contributed to many chances being created via this avenue.

England's Lauren Hemp proved particularly accomplished at running into space and finishing with aplomb, as did France, who scored six goals with first-time finishes, three of which came from cut backs, while four of their total tournament goals were the result of transitions. This highlights how effective their wing play was in taking them through to the semi-finals. Not only were their wingers confident enough in their dribbling skills to constantly try to take on opponents and drive to the byline or into the penalty area, but the hosts also benefited from effective off-the-ball movement inside the box and full-backs who provided support in wide areas.

The efficacy of this outlet was identified by semi-final opponents Spain, however, and by advancing their own full-backs more than in earlier matches, they forced France's wingers – notably Sandy Baltimore (20) – to drop further back, blunting their cutting edge.



SPEED OF THE GAME

"If you cannot control a fast ball, your team will not play the ball fast – Japan showed an ability to do just that," noted FIFA technical observer Hesterine de Reus. "They were very aware of what was happening around them and were able to play one-touch football at a high speed."

Speed – not limited to jet-heeled runs or slick passing, but also taking in the ability to read the game and react to situations as they develop – was a significant contributing factor to Japan's success in France. It was also a trend observed among many of the other teams, with the elevated tempo of the games standing out.

Japan were particularly adept at combining speed with an overall awareness of what was going on around them, perhaps as a result of the extra focus that they place on this quality. "We definitely need to set ourselves apart with our technique and decision-making qualities and read the game well," explained their coach Futoshi Ikeda. This is a concept that they instil in their players from an early age, with coaches actively encouraged to focus on decision-making in all their training drills and to embolden players

to act on their own initiative. Girls in Japan tend to start playing football from the age of six, and their enjoyment and love of the game – stoked by this encouragement to express themselves – are among the defining reasons why so many of them progress and hone these skills throughout their development.

Speed was also manifested in France's wing play, for example. They were able to start fast attacks with an effective use of their first touch in transitions, consequently exploiting the individual pace and skill of their wingers. The importance of that first touch in accelerating the game cannot be understated: the hosts were able to instantly up the tempo thanks in large part to this consummate first touch, which was often followed by a diagonal ball out to the flanks for their wide players to race onto.

Spain, meanwhile, may have played at a lower overall tempo than some other teams, but their ability to accelerate in key moments was what rendered them so incisive. Patricia Guijarro had an important role to play on this front, with her spatial awareness and presence of mind allowing her to get into positions to receive the ball and pick out penetrative passes.



QUALITY OF DEFENDING



The overall quality of defending was very high, with the low number of goals scored compared to previous U-20 Women's World Cups at least partly attributable to improved defensive organisation, which was evident across the board.

An ability to regain their defensive shape very quickly was one of the defining characteristics of the sides that reached the quarter-finals. All of the teams dropped their wingers into midfield when defending, showing great discipline and bearing out the amount of defensive work carried out in training.

Furthermore, the active involvement of a holding midfielder in both defensive and attacking transitions proved a very successful tool for a number of teams. Forming a well-defined and disciplined triangle with the two central defenders, these "anchorwomen" were key to both breaking up opposition attacks and building their own teams' play. Runners-up Spain notably had such a player, Damaris Egurrola, who was an important figure in her side's success thanks to her nous, composure and passing ability.

Whereas in the past, two holding midfielders may have been more common, with many considering it too risky to entrust just one player with this responsibility, the quality of these players appears to be rising. Indeed, coaches now seem more open to employing just one midfielder in this position, as evidenced by the number of sides playing in a 4-3-3 formation.

Despite its merits, this approach was not universally adopted. The well-drilled Japanese were able to keep two compact banks of four in their 4-4-2 – a system

also used with great discipline by Korea DPR. England also excelled with two holding midfielders, who were able to keep things tight while supporting their fast, counter-attacking style, while Germany's dynamic approach allowed them to apply immediate pressure when losing possession, with Laura Freigang (10) also dropping in as a third central midfielder. Their high defensive line – another common feature among the sides in France – further facilitated their breaks.

The high quality of defending was furthermore visible in the way that teams defended more as a collective, starting with the forwards. For example, England's Chloe Kelly (16) had no hesitation in dropping back quickly to win a tackle near the halfway line after her team lost possession against the Netherlands.

England seldom pressed high up the field, but were very solid defensively and particularly accomplished in their defensive transitions. This provided a platform for the counter-attacks that were a hallmark of their game. Against Japan, for example, their forwards retreated in a measured manner rather than racing back. By doing so, they limited their opponents' passing options until their team-mates further back had got back into position and were ready to transition.

Centre-backs were also dominant aerially. Japan and Korea DPR had improved a lot in this area and Japan, for instance, won more aerial battles against nations like Germany and England, which was rare in the past and confirms that they have worked a lot on their weaknesses. The Japanese players' outstanding timing when jumping was another testament to their ability to read the game and anticipate what is happening in front of them.

Excellent anticipation was also a key factor in their central defenders – who formed a fine partnership – winning many 1v1s. The champions' Hana Takahashi (6) was one of the leading performers in this regard, together with France's Maëlle Lakrar (13). With their reading of the game, both showed great positioning and the ability to be a split-second faster in their decision making – thereby ensuring that they could not only get close to their opponents and prevent them from turning, but also make clean tackles more often than not.

Japan only committed five fouls in their semi-final against England and, with just three goals conceded each in six games, it stands to reason that the Japanese and French boasted the tournament's best defensive records.

TEAM ORGANISATION

A key difference was noticeable between the European nations, which predominantly favoured a 4-3-3 formation, with minor variations, and the Asian nations, whose approach was a 4-4-2. Haiti, Paraguay and the USA also preferred 4-3-3, while Brazil, New Zealand, Nigeria and Mexico played with a four-player midfield.

Another particularly noteworthy trend was how all the teams switched shape when they defended. Germany adapted their approach through the creative use of full-backs, with Sjoeke Nüsken (17) acting as an auxiliary full-back with wing-back responsibilities, assisting in their build-up down the right as they attacked in a 3-5-2. However, she would quickly retreat into a back four, with the three player defensive line shifting to the left, as soon as possession was lost. Their aim was to open up the right side of the pitch and move forward when in possession, while swiftly plugging any gaps when defending.

“Those who play with intensity and are well organised in defence have won through to the knockout stage,” noted Japan coach Futoshi Ikeda during the tournament. Ikeda was able to count on the excellent organisation, strength and authority of his central defenders, Moeka Minami (4) and Hana Takahashi.

None of the teams were static with their systems, though, with a great range of tactical flexibility



on display. There were also dynamic changes in formation that influenced the match result, with notable examples including Brazil's second-half transformation against Korea DPR and the USA's final group game against Spain. On both occasions, substitutes were introduced to help execute different tactics.



TACTICAL AWARENESS



Japan coach Futoshi Ikeda was justified in identifying that the overall level of tactical awareness is on the increase. "I can see that many teams are giving specific tactics to particular players," he said. One of his observations was how players were able to adapt their positions more seamlessly, citing how a typical number 6 and 8 are now comfortable swapping roles.

Japan's final opponents, Spain, were very good at taking up positions between the lines, reading patterns of play and making space for themselves. This ability to evade opponents was also one of the explanations for their ruthlessness going forward, as they were able to get in front of goal more easily and score with fewer touches.

It was also notable how teams dropped wingers into the middle of the park to strengthen this area and ensure two screening players in front of the back line. Germany and France were good examples of sides able to occupy the midfield area well, with the hosts' coach Gilles Eyquem confirming that positional acumen was an important criterion for the selection of his squad. "Movement on and off the ball is key, as is the ability to read the game," he said. His side's excellence in this area made it very difficult for the

Netherlands to get through the lines when they met the disciplined hosts, for instance.

With tactical development improving, teams are demonstrating a greater capability to execute tasks given to them by their coach and are consequently able to disrupt their opponents earlier. Players are getting increasingly savvy, with Japan, Korea DPR and the European nations among the most tactically disciplined and sophisticated.



GOALKEEPERS: THE FIRST LINE OF ATTACK

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Goalkeepers are no longer merely the last line of a team's defence, but rather now also act as the springboard for their attacks. When a goalkeeper catches a cross or makes a save, their involvement in the game is only just beginning; that was the message delivered by the custodians in France.

A lot of progress is still to be made, but the signs are that an area of the women's game that was much maligned in the past is adapting and heading in the right direction.

"You've got to be a good footballer, as well as a good goalkeeper," said Germany's goalkeeper coach Silke Rottenberg, a two-time FIFA Women's World Cup™ winner who is now the German Football Association's goalkeeper coordinator. "If a goalkeeper has very

good technique, then she will radiate a sense of authority, which is particularly important for a female goalkeeper."

A modern-day goalkeeper therefore needs more than just a safe pair of hands – having good feet is an equally important part of the role. On this score, it was encouraging to see the number of teams who were involving their goalkeepers more in their play and, in particular, how many goalkeepers were actively seeking greater involvement and not just remaining rooted to their line.

"If you want to be a modern goalkeeper, you have to be your team's extra player," said Pascal Zuberbühler, a Goalkeeping Specialist in FIFA's Technical Development Division. "You are the first attacker."

That is also how Japan coach Futoshi Ikeda sees it. "We have a joint goalkeeper project in Japan for boys and girls and it is very much focused on involving the keeper as a team player and having them start moves," he explained. "We always try to involve the keepers in the team training, in both attack and defence."

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(FIFA Goalkeeping Specialist)

The Young Nadeshiko epitomised a notable trend of goalkeepers who actively contributed to their team's build-up play, with some making over 45 passes in a game. "That is modern football," continued Zuberbühler, who felt that the level of decision-making had generally been high, but noted that there was still plenty of room for improvement. The presence of dedicated goalkeeper coaches can have an impact in this regard, as they not only work to improve the technique of their charges, but can also collaborate with head coaches to ensure goalies are better integrated into the team's overall play.



quick decision-making enable a goalkeeper to launch swift counter-attacks, which can make all the difference.

That does not necessarily mean kicking the ball long, though. In fact, this approach tended to lead to the loss of possession, whereas an accurate pass to one of the full-backs, or even a precise throw, proved to be more effective in constructing attacks from the back. Therefore, this is an area where more focus could be placed.

Rottenberg agrees, saying that her goalkeepers would usually spend 25 minutes of the pre-match warm-up – practically two thirds – working with the team. In training, the focus is then on how they can fit into the mechanics of the team and be prepared, just like the outfield players, for what they can expect to face. "It is extremely important to prepare goalkeepers tactically for games," Rottenberg explained. "You practise situations that they could encounter in their next game. Depending on whether your next opponents play with one, two or three forwards, then we practise different game scenarios under pressure and work on solutions for specific pressing situations."

Positioning is crucial in this respect. New Zealand goalkeeper Anna Leat was regularly in the right place to deal with backpasses from her defenders and play the ball back out according to not only their strategy, but also her options. Reading the game and



Ultimately, a goalkeeper coach is no longer a luxury but rather a necessity given the demands of the modern game and the ever-growing importance of the goalkeeper role. "It is very important to me that a goalkeeper coach be capable of working on even the finest details because we have now entered an era in which these details are becoming so significant," said Rottenberg.

"When I see that a goalkeeper has the potential to work as a goalkeeper coach in the near future, I encourage them to do coaching courses as soon as possible. It's also very good for their own development because they become more reflective and go into more detail about their own work between the sticks, and there are usually many things that strike a chord with them."

INTERVIEWS WITH THE COACHES OF THE SEMI-FINALISTS



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Gilles Eyquem played as a central defender for clubs such as Bordeaux, Guingamp and Angers between 1977 and 1989 and then promptly moved into coaching. He has been helping France's young female talents flourish since 2012 and steered them to the UEFA Women's U-19 EURO title in 2013 and again in 2016. On both occasions, he followed this up by guiding his charges to top-three finishes at the subsequent FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup, including a run to the final in 2016.

Could you please tell us a bit about your backroom staff and the role that every member plays?

We have 17 people with us at this competition, which is much more than usual. In addition to the traditional team – including my two assistants: Sandrine Ringler, who works with me on the outfield players, and Sandrine Roux, who is in charge of the goalkeepers – we also have a medical team comprising a doctor and a physio. Another very important figure is the fitness coach, whom I've been working with throughout the last year with a view to the World Cup. Our backroom staff also includes two observers and a video analyst. During the group stage, the observers studied the opponents in our group as well as looking ahead to potential quarter-final match-ups, and they've also been presenting their findings on our upcoming opponents to the players. I like to have several people address the players, so that they can be as specific as possible. We have a very good group.

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What would your ideal team of staff look like?

Looking at the six core members we have, such as for friendlies or for the early stages of the EURO, compared with the 17 we have here at the [U-20] World Cup, I reckon we're missing three or four people. I think we need a fitness coach on a permanent basis. We also need another assistant who is not just there for competitions and a permanent video analyst. I think around ten people would be a good-sized team.



Could you describe your working dynamic with your assistant coaches and the video analyst?

I have a very good relationship with Sandrine Ringler, whom I have been working with since 2012. Knowing she'd be part of my backroom staff is one of the reasons I took charge of this team as she's experienced at international level and she knows how to work with young women. Then there's Sandrine Roux: she's another reason why I wanted to work with this team. We have very different but complementary personalities: she's a little stricter, while I have a more paternal style with the players. She's brought more discipline, so we have a very good balance and mutual understanding. Sandrine Ringler and the fitness coach share the workload on the pitch with respect to the warm-ups and technical drills. I look at all of the matches from a tactical point of view, but I give her free rein to take over, as she's able to bring a woman's perspective. She prepares feedback on matches, as well as motivational video clips.

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The video analyst works with Sandrine on the video reviews and prepares clip packages for defensive and attacking analysis. After that, Sandrine curates the clips and makes sure they are no longer than ten minutes.

Do you give the video analyst guidance on what to highlight in clips based on things you've seen when analysing your own matches or opponents?

Yes, he picks out passages of attacking and defensive play, as well as focusing on individual players. We provide thorough analysis and if there's a recurring issue then we go over it on video with the players. We don't necessarily do that for every match, but we do systematically give feedback ahead of every game. Sandrine prepares the feedback, I check it and then she passes it on to the team. As for analysis of our opponents, the other coaches have been presenting their findings to Sandrine and me during this World Cup. After approving these insights – sometimes we ask to see further information first – the coaches brief the players for ten to 15 minutes.

Could you tell us about the work that Sandrine does to prepare the players mentally, both individually and as a team?

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What differences have you seen between the group stage and knockout stage at this competition?

Where my team are concerned, the players have learned that this level is something else and requires more thorough preparation and greater emotional poise. Early on, the girls were overly aware of everything going on around them, which unsettled them to an extent. I think they've seen that the knockout stage is a step up in terms of the levels of concentration and motivation required.

Do you think being the home side has influenced the team?

Yes, it's had a considerable impact. I think we were too slow out of the traps in the first two matches and I was initially worried that the girls might be a little complacent, but then they started to play more calmly. It's not purely a psychological issue, but work must be done to keep their emotions in check. It's something to bear in mind in the future and they will benefit from this experience.

What are the key factors for success in this competition?

It's never easy to get a group to gel and we've previously seen some conflict between generations. This group is quite balanced: there are three different generations and the younger players are keen to earn the respect of the older players, who are a bit more composed. I think the key is being able to bring the group together. We've seen that there's more togetherness on the pitch and that the team are willing to pull together to progress. For me, the more time we can spend together away from the pitch, the more we're going to pick up on the small things. On the pitch, technical quality is important. You have to have technically sound players who know the game. I think we would benefit from starting to work on technique earlier in France. Japan do so and we've seen them pass the ball excellently at this World Cup.

Have you identified any new technical or tactical trends during this competition?



We've seen strong collective play from the Japanese and Korea DPR. Teams are more athletic and stronger. However, the USA, who went out early, arguably tried to make up for their technical shortcomings with their athletic ability. These days, we need to be bringing through young women who not only are technically good but can also read the game.

Based on your previous experiences, do you feel the game is developing and, if so, in which areas?

I haven't seen much rotation of players in the starting line-ups at this competition, with the exception of Japan and Korea DPR. For me, rotation is an asset as it means you can respond to the specific demands of any given match. Every team's fitness levels are high, but

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you also need technique and tactical nous to dictate matches. Our technical team and analysts work a lot on getting the most out of our players' strengths, but also making sure that they're able to respond to the particular nature of the opponents' game.

Tactically speaking, you've mentioned reading of the game. How do France compare to other teams in this area?

I think it depends on the competition. This tournament has been an eye-opener for certain players compared to the [EURO] U-19, where the game is simpler and a little more naive. Athletic and technical ability are enough to make the difference at that level, as the standard is not as high. I've seen my players improve a great deal athletically, but not so much technically and tactically.

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What do you make of the development pathway set out by the French Football Association (FFF)? And what is needed to produce a more consistent standard of play?

It's good that the FFF has taken responsibility for overseeing girls' development. Now we need to rethink the content of their training programme, because there isn't anything specific for young female players. Granted, creating such content may be difficult because we have some girls arriving from amateur clubs at the age of 16, who don't necessarily have the technical fundamentals or the know-how to read the game properly, but it's something we're missing. We also need this training content to be used at a regional level to make sure that girls develop at the same rate throughout the country. The training programme should start at around 14 or 15 so that it has an effect by the time they reach this level. In more practical terms, we need a more consistent standard of competitions for young women across all regions and departments of France. There is only a small number of matches in the national U-19 competition, so the girls need more playing experience.

In terms of development, what needs to improve?

First of all, if we want to play well, we need to be technically excellent. That is fundamental. But movement on and off the ball is also key, as is the ability to read the game. Individual technique is important, but it needs to be channelled as part of the team's overall game. The girls need to be shown technical skills and how to use them, but that takes time to learn. That's why I try to incorporate these things in training with the girls every day.

After the U-20 Women's World Cup, what can be done to make sure that the players go on to the senior national team and fulfil their potential?

Unfortunately, there aren't many options. The players reach a point when they have to find clubs at which they get playing time, because there are plenty of girls who choose to sign for big clubs but then don't get a chance to play and their careers stall. Other than that, we really need to create a national "B" team or an U-23 team in order to offer these girls opportunities to play at international level, for example at La Manga, as I know plenty of other associations have done. That is something we seriously need to consider in France. For me, an U-23 team would perhaps be a more logical next step on the path towards the senior national team than a "B" team, as an international competition for that age group could be established. An U-23 category would follow on nicely from this level.

Is it essential for the girls who make it to the senior team to have gone through the youth system?

No, but it's rare for them to come through any other way. Although it needs improving, the system works well and a lot of girls have gone on to play in the senior team. The clubs are doing a lot of good work that enables them to make that step up, but I think we need consistency between our various systems.



There are a lot of young players who don't get playing time at the big clubs and they end up having to play in regional competitions to get experience, so there needs to be space for them in the bigger competitions. We need to take a longer-term perspective for these young women's development. Perhaps a third level of competition is required, or there could be a younger-category competition to offer more playing time and match experience to younger players and those who are in the reserves at the big clubs. As much as training helps develop players, there's no substitute for playing matches.

Having coached boys and girls, do you see differences between the two groups?

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Is there anything you feel we haven't covered?

It's perhaps worth highlighting that the FFF needs to keep developing coaches, especially female ones. Female coaches are the ones who can really understand the young players in the women's game.



INTERVIEWS WITH THE COACHES OF THE SEMI-FINALISTS

Mo Marley became coach of the England U-19 women's side in November 2001, while she was still playing for Everton Ladies and after captaining England's senior team during that year's UEFA Women's Championship. She obtained her UEFA Pro Licence in 2008 – becoming only the second woman in England to do so, after Hope Powell – and guided the Young Lionesses to victory at the UEFA Women's U-19 Championship in 2009.

Could you tell us about your technical staff and the roles that they perform? Do you have the same staff throughout the year and have there been any additions for this tournament? If so, why?

I manage the team and my assistant coach supports me both on and off the pitch. The goalkeeper coach is responsible for goalkeeper development and provides set-piece support with a set-play leadership group.



On top of our permanent analyst, a second analyst arrived from our second match onwards to support with opposition analysis and help us progress through the tournament. We also have a people and team development consultant, who supports me and helps manage an elite performance environment with both the players and the staff. We have a regular physical performance coach, plus an additional one for this trip. She usually works with our U-17 squad and is here to gain experience, to foster continuity through the age groups and to assist due to the length of the tournament and physical programme required. One person can focus on the immediate delivery for the team whilst the second can deal with recovery and nutrition, collate GPS data and inform coaches of the players' physical status.

What is the collaboration like with your assistant and analysts? Do they take an active role in preparing the squad for games with you?

I have a very strong bond with my lead analyst, who has worked with me consistently across the U 18s, U-19s and U-20s for the past four years, so our relationship is quite unique. He understands how I work and what I need. With a second analyst present on this trip, we have been able to do more detailed analysis of our own performances. The second analyst allows us to have continuity, with the lead analyst staying with the team constantly and the second person focusing on what is next. The technical team have been allocated areas to analyse and feed their findings back on. We have a very integrated approach in our planning that also includes the medical and physical performance coaches.

What differences do you see between the group stage and the knockout stage in terms of what you need to be successful?

We had a very, very strong group. Still, the further in the competition you go, the less likely it is that the opposition will have obvious areas of weakness. There is no margin for error – you have to be at your best for the whole game. This was evident for us against Japan; we didn't really get started until we were 2-0 down.

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Seven members of your squad are based in the USA. Can you see any differences in their development pathway compared to the UK-based players? Is there anything they appear to have focused on more or less in their development?

I can see a clear difference in them as people: they have become more independent and more confident about themselves. Living away from home, with everything that involves, probably helps develop this. We set out individual development plans for all our players to help them improve on the international stage. A common theme for our players in the USA is that they are all playing regular football, getting an opportunity to train full-time and can continue with their education. This opportunity hasn't been available in England in the past, but we have recently restructured things alongside our league to ensure they have similar options in England in the future.

On this note, can you explain how your new "dual-career programme" works and what you are expecting from it in terms of player development?

(Answer from academy manager Tony Fretwell)
The FA WSL Academy programme provides an equal balance between a player's football development and their academic, vocational or work-based aspirations. First and foremost, we want players to come out of the academy programme as better people. Some will go on to be full-time professional footballers in the WSL, some will perhaps become senior England internationals, while others will go on to enjoy a football career at a level relevant to their ability. We want to see players who come out of the academies having their employability and career chances enhanced by having been part of the programme. We want a generation of former academy

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We also have high-performance centres attached to universities to help combine education and high performance with our WSL clubs. Many of our players go to the USA to study for free on a full scholarship. However, many players in England can struggle with the transition from youth football to senior football – having to train every day to compete with the senior players impacts on their ability to continue with their education.

In your opinion, what are the biggest challenges that a young player faces on the path to senior football?

We're trying to develop our senior league into a world-class league and our players into world-class players. U-19 players are still developing when they make the transition to the senior league. They are then expected to perform on a weekly basis at the highest level. It's not so easy for them to practise and learn in line with their age when they're being compared with 30-year-olds with many caps at senior level. In the past, the most talented players could develop by playing in the league at 16 or 17. They didn't necessarily perform consistently, but they had the opportunity to keep playing and learning. Now the leagues are improving, it's really difficult for younger players because they have to perform under pressure and help clubs to win.

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Does England have a programme in place to support players in making that transition?

We are constantly evolving. We used to have U-15, U-17, U-19, U-23 and senior squads. Now, we have a support programme below each competitive age group, with U-16 and U-18 development squads. We have a designated programme for our U-20s, whether we qualify for the [U-20] World Cup or not. We haven't bridged the gap from the U-20s to the seniors yet. We're in the process of identifying what is needed after the U-19s to make the transition to the seniors. We're looking at a new programme, at how we can embrace the experience gained at the U-20 World Cup and make a new plan for the players for next season. It's a broader programme that looks at both education and football development at the same time.

Does your selection policy take into account players' ages? You have 12 squad members born in 1998, six from 1999 and three born in 2000, including Lauren Hemp, who has been one of your key players. What did you take into consideration when you decided to call up younger players like her and did you consider

selecting even more younger players for this squad?

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Your team play with many quick transitions in attack, making frequent use of direct balls. Is this style of play based on the players you have in your squad or more part of a wider strategy in English football?

We have a clear DNA that we work towards and have been doing so throughout my time as the head coach – we are very consistent with what we have tried to implement. I just think that in this tournament, our players have been more positive and felt more confident, enabling them to play more forward-thinking football.

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INTERVIEWS WITH THE COACHES OF THE SEMI-FINALISTS



Pedro López was appointed coach of the Spanish women's U-19 national team in 2015, having previously been at the helm of the U-16s and guided the country to glory at the UEFA Women's U-17 Championship 2015. He served as senior coach Jorge Vilda's assistant at the FIFA Women's World Cup Canada 2015™, led Spain at the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Papua New Guinea 2016 and masterminded their UEFA Women's U-19 EURO 2017 victory.

Which staff do you have with you? Did any additional staff members come over for the knockout stage?

My assistant coach is Toña Is, who is also head coach of the U-17s. We also have a fitness coach, a goalkeeping coach – who additionally acts as a psychologist, working on the group dynamics –, a doctor and two physios. Moreover, unusually, we have two analysts at this competition, one of whom is new and is helping with the filming, which is great for us. That aside, we have a cook, someone who takes care of the equipment, two press officers, a legal specialist and so on. It's a lot of people and we're very privileged that they're here with us and able to

maintain the same level of intensity in their work as the competition gets tougher, because it's difficult to be away from home for so long. We're away for a month and ten days, so you have to have your head right in order to make it as far as the semi-final and final.

It's interesting that your goalkeeping coach is also a psychologist. Could you tell us more about how you think it helps to have such a person on your staff?

It helps a lot. For example, during the match against Nigeria, in which several refereeing decisions went against us, the psychologist showed me a few strategies to stay dialled in during games and not to get distracted in such situations. While you're caught up in a moment that has already passed, you're not focusing on the next phase of play that's under way. He shows me how to handle certain team talks before the match and how to handle the girls' stress. And he also leads group exercises with the girls when it's better that none of us [the main coaching staff] are around, so that they feel free and can behave differently to how they would in the presence of a coach. This has led to some very powerful relationships and bolstered self-confidence and commitment to the team. The girls have even signed a pledge for this competition and always bring it with them to the changing room. Whatever the situation he encounters, he is always able to identify what's going on and the impact it might have and to recommend the best course of action.

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With a psychologist, it's all about people gaining experience with them. It's like anything in life: you can't introduce a psychologist and expect them to be embraced instantly. You have to try them out, have them earn respect and show that they're useful so that people say, "that's just what we need".

What's the working relationship like between you, Toña and the analyst?

First, we look at an overall summary of our matches together with the whole technical team and then we discuss more concrete points for the girls so that we can put ideas across in a way that's easy for them. We include plenty of positive feedback about what they're doing well, as well as certain things that they can improve on. That's all based on our own game. The analysts also film the opponents and sometimes come in during the half-time break to show clips of them, either to just the coaches or to the players if it's relevant, if they see that there are particular spaces or situations we can exploit. For every match we play, we prepare a 15-minute video on our opponents, including any patterns in their game, how they play in attack and defence, based on which I flesh out the ideas that I want to get across about the match.

We make a video before the training session on how the opponents attack and defend, and in the session itself, we might also work on our own approach to the match. Then, we send our girls a report via WhatsApp about the opponents and each of their players' attributes so that they know all about them. On the day of the match, if we're playing later in the day, we'll have a talk about set pieces in the morning. I receive a 15-minute video on set pieces, but I cut it down to eight depending on what I need.



On the morning of the match, we also run through our training sessions on video. That is hugely valuable because otherwise the players won't be aware of what they're doing in certain situations in training. In our most recent session, we worked a lot on defensive organisation and anticipation, giving group and individual feedback about situations where they're having some difficulties. In their regular competitions, they're not going to be marking an opponent like a Japanese player or play against anyone as quick as [Emelyne] Laurent, so the challenges are different and, ultimately, you need strategies that will help them face those challenges.

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What are the differences between the teams that go far in the tournament and those that don't?

I think that the two teams that have made it to the final don't take risks in the sense that they always seek to impose their own game, so that they're not at the mercy of their opponents. For example, if we'd put ourselves at the mercy of the USA from the off, then we wouldn't have made it to the knockout stage. The same goes for Japan, who didn't allow themselves to be dominated by England. From the beginning, both Japan and we have taken the initiative. We haven't managed this quite as we would have liked to in some matches, but we've found alternatives. So if plan A doesn't work and we aren't able to impose ourselves on the game, like against France, then we

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So the key to success in competitions is to take the initiative...

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Spain have a very well-defined philosophy. What is that exactly and how important do you think it is for your players?

For me, continuity is a must. This isn't like a club, or even some national teams, who can keep the players together for three months; we just get a few specific days together every one or two months. So, if you have girls coming up from the U-16s, you have to provide continuity. There isn't time to work one way in the U-17s and then start from scratch in the U-19s. And you have to have a philosophy based around your strong points. Since Norway or Sweden are very strong physically, naturally their game plan will play to their strengths, focusing on speed, tackling ability and defensive organisation. We have our own strong points that we need to maximise and in Spain – as well as the standard-bearers for a certain style of play that we've grown up with – there are very good coaches who are devising ways to get the most out of this type of Spanish player.

It's a very specific type of game. In Asia, Japan and Korea DPR are ahead in their technical execution and in the speed and accuracy of their passing, perhaps as a result of the type of training they do.

Japan are technical, but they are also physically strong. They have more training sessions, so they have

greater scope for physical development. Korea DPR cover so much ground and play with such intensity.

With the Spanish league being restructured, how do you think this will help players in this age category to make the step up to senior level?

To compete here, you have to be playing in the first division, but there's also the small matter of which team you play for, because you need to get playing time. You can't come here with second-division players and you can't bring players who spend the year warming the bench for first-division teams. The national team needs players who are pushed all year round, so these girls have a big decision at the age of 17 or 18: whether to go to a big team where they'll get paid more and sit on the bench or go to a team at which they'll earn less but will get more playing time.

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What does the restructured league entail?

In the second division, they're going from seven groups to just two.

And how do you think this will help?

There are a lot of factors at play. It could have secondary effects in terms of the budgets that teams have in the second division, which could influence whether they start signing foreign players and players who have experience in the first division or rather give opportunities to youth players. For me, the level could be good for U-17 players. The problem with reducing the number of teams is that it might mean that some cities won't have a team in the second tier, so many 16-year-olds won't be able to get that experience. But the teams that are still involved will reap the biggest benefit: by reducing the number of teams, you end up with only those that really belong there.

This is the first time that Spain have made it to the semi-final and final of the U-20 Women's World Cup. Do you think this success illustrates sustained progress? And how can this be replicated at senior level?

I think the progress is clear enough. We've qualified for the final of ten European competitions in a

row [across the UEFA Women's U-17 and U-19 Championship], which is a record that any country in the world would envy. And we're benefiting a great deal from the development of women's clubs and the investment that is being put into developing Spanish players. Our female players are very talented and if you invest in them, then you get the kind of progress that we're seeing now. When they play in the Champions League, the players get experience that will serve them at international level. However, there are still a lot of league matches that don't really help them develop much, so we need their everyday environment to be more demanding.

What's your view on the gap and the pathway between this age category and the senior team?

There are big differences between countries. In some countries, the U-23 players go straight into the senior team and to keep a full U-23 squad, you'd have to fill it with players who aren't at the right level. Meanwhile, there are others that have a lot of players who are good enough to play for the senior team, so they need to have an U-23 team in order to keep all of them playing. But the level of women's football is still too inconsistent from one country to the next and you can't generalise when there are only eight teams in Europe that can always put out a team featuring good players throughout.



INTERVIEWS WITH THE COACHES OF THE SEMI-FINALISTS

Futoshi Ikeda has been in charge of the Japan women's U-20 side since January 2017, having previously coached in the men's game. Together with his assistant Miyo Okamoto, who is the head coach of a J.League academy team, Ikeda guided Japan to glory at the AFC U-19 Women's Championship 2017, booking their spot at the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup France 2018.

What do you think is the key to getting Japan performing at the highest level?

We think it is very important to gain experience by participating in all World Cups and then we can give the younger age groups feedback about what we need to do. We always organise our own TSG and we analyse all the tournaments ourselves, identify trends and benchmarks and pass this down to the young girls. On the women's side, this started more than ten years ago, before we won the World Cup with the senior team [in 2011].

How are your roles divided among your staff?

I take overall care of all of the areas since I am very experienced and my assistant takes care of all the players individually – she does all the individual

training, but I am responsible for most of the work, for the big picture.

When you work individually with the players, what do you focus on?

Japanese players are not particularly tall or powerful, so we definitely need to set ourselves apart with our technique and decision-making qualities and read the game well – those are our strong points. Of course, we have to train to hone our power and speed and we look for those in our players, but we still mainly work on technique, decision-making and reading of the game, which are our strengths and our focus points.

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What do you think is the key factor for success?

It's important to have a good team environment and spirit within the team to get through a whole



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tournament. If there is not a good mood within the team, it is difficult to stay the course. You need a good mentality, with a good atmosphere and a very positive approach from the coach. Furthermore, if a team have a special striker or another special individual, their chances of winning are a little higher.

How do you go about finding these special players?

We have some good academy teams owned by the top league teams and they normally play there. We sometimes give them an opportunity to play ahead of their age group; it all comes down to the player's technical and physical ability, but we do try to give them an opportunity earlier. We have mixed teams at U-12 level and we allow them to play with the boys up to the U-15s. If they don't have the opportunity to play with just girls, they play with boys – our number 2 was playing with boys up to U-15 level. Many of the players are clustered across the good academy teams from the main two, three or four clubs.

The academy system is really important, but you need good coaches in there. How do you educate these good coaches?

I am always visiting their training sessions and games to see the players and communicate with the coaches of those academies. We have a meeting with the head coaches from the top-division clubs three times a year, so that is also a good opportunity for discussion. Feedback from the TSG goes to these coaches. We will discuss performance, trends or analysis to ensure we all have the same understanding of the game. It is important – of course the coaches can do whatever they like, but we have a kind of Japanese style to share with them, so that is a very important point.

Something very special we have seen with Japan is the players' awareness of what is happening around them and ability to find quick solutions. Is this down to something special in your programme?

We don't have a special programme, but that is a very important factor for Japan to win so we always work on it in every training session. Even in technical drills, we put some decision-making factor in there



and we actively encourage it in every training session. We start this from a very young age. It depends on the level, but we encourage them to look around and make decisions based on what they see and to use their own initiative. We don't put it in a specific framework or say that it has to be done in a certain way; we want them always to be flexible according to the situation, but we do stick to some fundamentals such as playing in triangles. Flexibility is very important, I think, together with decision-making. We normally choose players with good technical qualities.

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Players are not born that way, though, so at what age do they start training?

Players normally start playing from six years old – at school or at a club, or both, and they normally play with boys until 12. We don't have that many great coaches for those age groups, but we give them some ideas from our training centres, some guidelines to follow. Kids touch the ball at an early age and they love football and enjoy it, so they keep playing. There is no specific programme, but we let them enjoy playing football and that is important. We do have a programme at U-12 level, but it is not like with the U-15s or U-18s. We start a more intensive programme from U-13 and U-14 onwards, but at U-12 level we



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cannot really determine who the best players are yet, so we just give as many players as possible the chance to join the elite programme.

How many academy teams do you have?

The Japan Football Association (JFA) has the senior national team, the U-19s/U-20s and the U 16s/U-17s. We also have U-13s, U-14s and U-15s, although they are not national teams, but rather elite youth development programmes. We have about 100 players in each of the different age categories and we periodically hold national training camps to select them. We have a youth development system, but we don't have that big a pool of girls to choose from so it is a bit limited, although this actually makes it easier for us to identify them by ourselves and train them. We have the national training centre and the nine regional training centres – 47 prefectural centres – so we have the system to scout them and we also give them guidelines on how to train. We feel it works very well.

How often do they train in your elite programme?

They train five times a week, which increases to six at U-19 level.

You are the only non-European team to have reached the semi-finals. Do you see a gap developing between European and Asian teams?

One possible explanation is that in European countries, they have a good competitive environment under the UEFA umbrella and we don't have that in the AFC. They play U-17 and U-19 championships every year, whereas that's not the case for us. They have many good nations close by geographically too, whereas in the AFC region, it is more difficult. That competitive environment and having good opponents nearby are positive points for UEFA countries.

What can you do to ensure you reach this level of competitiveness in Japan?

During our preparations, we went to the USA, France and England. Then, in the build-up to this tournament, we also went to the Netherlands and took part in a tournament in China, facing the USA and IR Iran. In 2017, we had four training camps, two domestic and two abroad. In 2018, we had three in Japan and then two abroad. We are together for four days for these camps in Japan, whereas abroad we had one week or ten days – but it was a tight schedule. We try to get international exposure to prepare, but I don't think that is enough, so we're looking to foster a good com-



petitive environment on the domestic stage and are encouraging those involved in the domestic competitions to improve them.

How do you create a competitive domestic league, especially in this age group?

In this age group, they all play in the top league. We have an U-18 league but after that, they play in the senior league. We do have this problem [of some players not playing for competitive club teams] too. I want to have more training camps. I communicate with the head coaches of the clubs and encourage them to allow us to have more training matches or to give those players [who are not playing regularly for their clubs] other competitive opportunities.

Have you seen any particular trends in this tournament?

I can see that many teams are giving specific tactics to particular players. That wasn't so evident in the past. For example, you get the number 10 and number 8 swapping positions a lot; I've seen things like that with a lot of teams.

What difference have you noticed between the group stage and the knockout stage?

There is a difference in defensive intensity: those who play with intensity and are well organised in defence have won through to the knockout stage.

Because it is a knockout stage, it means we have to go home if we lose, so now we're focusing more on not conceding. We're playing a more defensive game, especially at the start of matches. Generally, we are being a little bit more defensive and more patient early on. There is a difference in defensive intensity: those who play with intensity and are well organised in defence have won through to the knockout stage.

Finally, how much time do you spend on set plays?

I don't devote a lot of time to it. We only do set-piece training the day before matches, based on the analysts' opposition scouting report. We give some information about how our opponents set up at set pieces and our players think about the opponents' positioning and where we can outnumber them. I give the players an overview of the opponents' set-up, plus some hints and ideas, but I let them think about it according to the situation. I focus on my team; maybe in the knockout stage we place more emphasis on scouting, but our own team always comes first. It's important to have courage and confidence.

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- Mexico 3-2 Brazil**
- 8 August
- Brazil 1-1 England**
- 12 August
- Brazil 1-2 Korea DPR**
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



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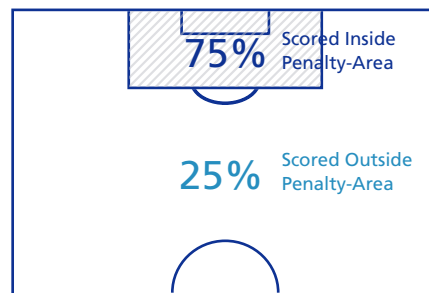
Technical staff
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TEGON Joao (Goalkeeper Coach)
DO NASCIMENTO Jorge (Physical Trainer)

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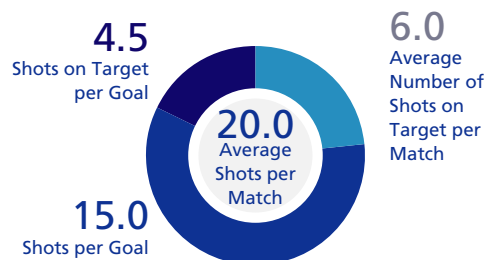
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| | 19 | JULLY | Kindermann (BRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | MONALISA | EC Iranduba da Amazonia (BRA) | 180 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | THAIS REGINA | Sport Recife (BRA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | INGRYD | CR Flamengo (BRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | THAIS REISS | University of Florida (USA) | 175 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | TAINARA | EC Vitoria (BRA) | 225 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | ISABELLA | AA Ponte Preta (BRA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 16 | ANDRESSA | CR Flamengo (BRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | LUANA MENEGARDO | Ferrovária (BRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | ANGELINA | Santos FC (BRA) | 266 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | KARLA ALVES | Foz Cataratas FC (BRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 10 | VICTORIA | Minas ICESP/DF (BRA) | 232 | 0 | 2 |
| | 15 | KATRINE | Gremio AUDAX (BRA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 18 | ANA VITORIA (C) | SC Corinthians (BRA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | ARIADINA BORGES | Sport Recife (BRA) | 95 | 1 | 0 |
| | 9 | GEYSE FERREIRA | SL Benfica (POR) | 142 | 1 | 0 |
| | 11 | BRENDA WOCH | EC Iranduba da Amazonia (BRA) | 94 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | KEROLIN NICOLI | AA Ponte Preta (BRA) | 270 | 2 | 0 |
| | 21 | VALERIA | Gremio AUDAX (BRA) | 121 | 0 | 1 |

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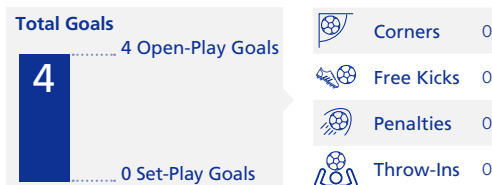
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

57%



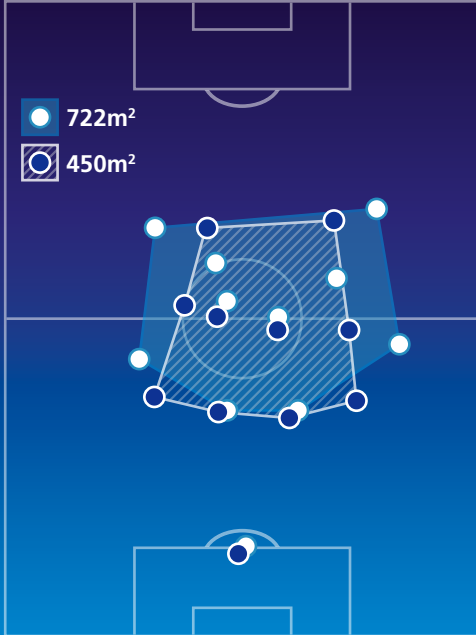
BRAZIL / CONMEBOL

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

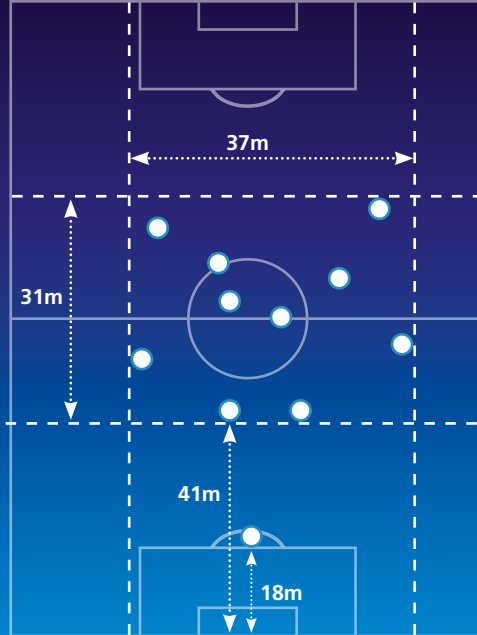
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

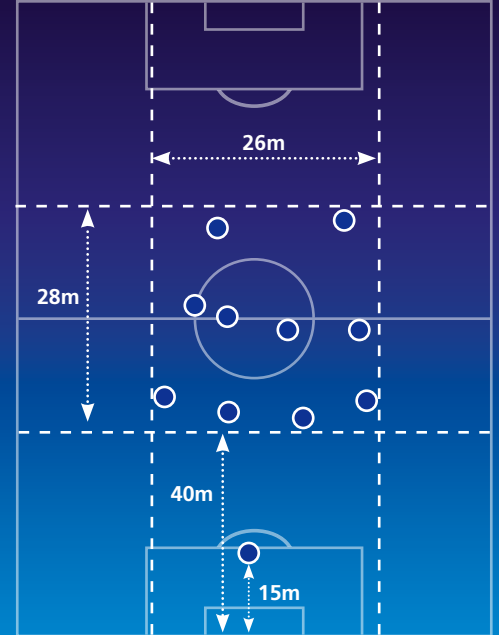


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender

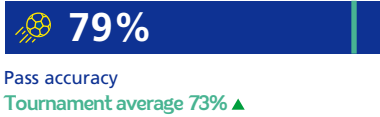


- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



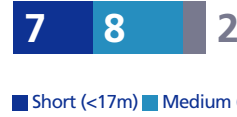
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Team passes and accuracy



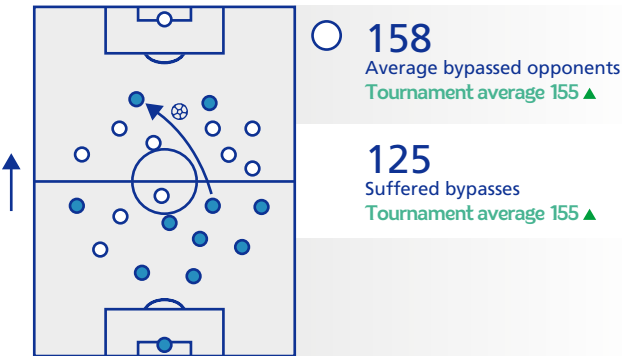
502
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

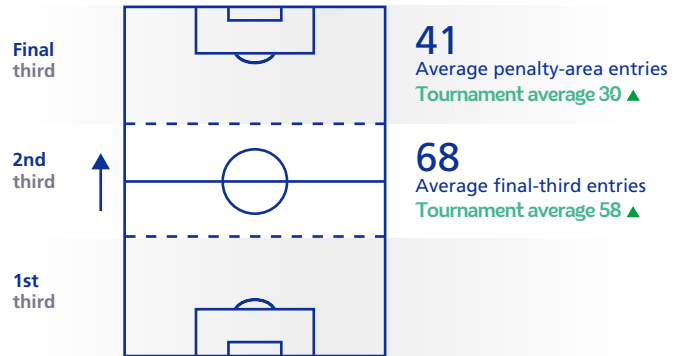


17 Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼
94% Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



Number of activities >23km/h



Distance covered above 19km/h



Distance covered above 23km/h





CHINA PR / AFC

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2014 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
Haiti 1-2 China PR
- 9 August
Germany 2-0 China PR
- 13 August
China PR 1-1 Nigeria
- QUARTER-FINAL**
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- SEMI-FINAL**
-
- FINAL**



Head coach
Peter Bonde (DEN)

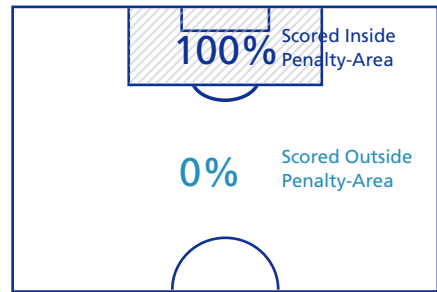
Technical staff
NIELSEN Nils (Assistant Coach)
WANG Hong (Assistant Coach)
FAN Heping (Goalkeeper Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

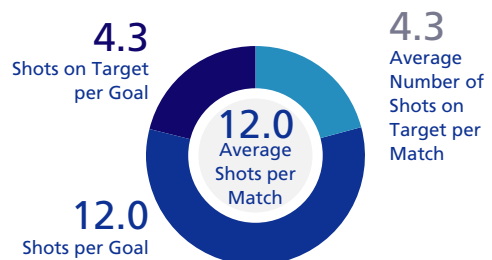
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|-----|-----------------|--|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | XU Huan | Beijing BG Phoenix F.C. (CHN) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | LIANG Jiahui | Dalian Quanjian WFC (CHN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | ZHENG Jie | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | DOU Jiaying | Jiangsu Suning FC (CHN) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | LI Yifan | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | WANG Linlin (C) | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | CHEN Qiaozhu | Meizhou Hui Jun FC (CHN) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | HE Xing | Sichuan FC (CHN) | 39 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | HE Luyao | Shandong JingHua FC (CHN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 21 | ZHI Jie | Zhejiang Women's Football Club (CHN) | 249 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | LIU Jing | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 33 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | SHEN Mengyu | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 270 | 1 | 0 |
| | 9 | JIN Kun | Jiangsu Suning FC (CHN) | 239 | 0 | 1 |
| | 10 | ZHAO Yujie | Florida State University (USA) | 231 | 1 | 0 |
| | 11 | XIE Qiwen | Meizhou Hui Jun FC (CHN) | 171 | 0 | 1 |
| | 15 | MA Xiaolan | Beijing BG Phoenix F.C. (CHN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 16 | YAN Yingying | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 18 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | ZHANG Linyan | Evergrande Football School (CHN) | 225 | 1 | 0 |
| | 18 | YANG Qian | Shanghai Rural Commercial Bank (SRCB) FC (CHN) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | WANG Yanwen | Beijing BG Phoenix F.C. (CHN) | 135 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | CHEN Yuanmeng | Dalian Quanjian WFC (CHN) | 10 | 0 | 0 |

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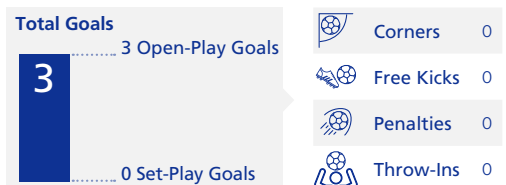
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

54%



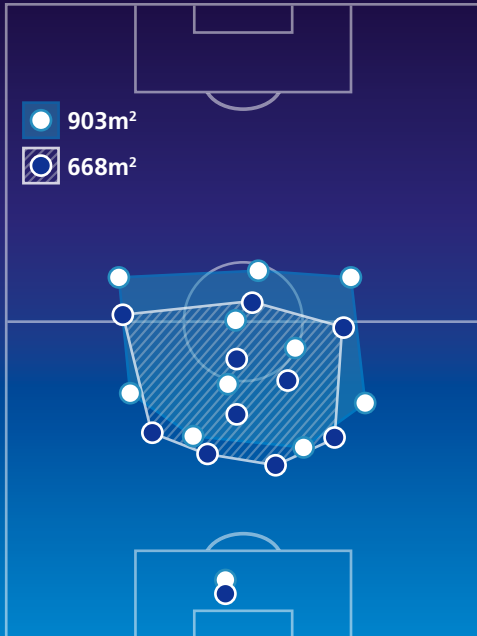
CHINA PR / AFC

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

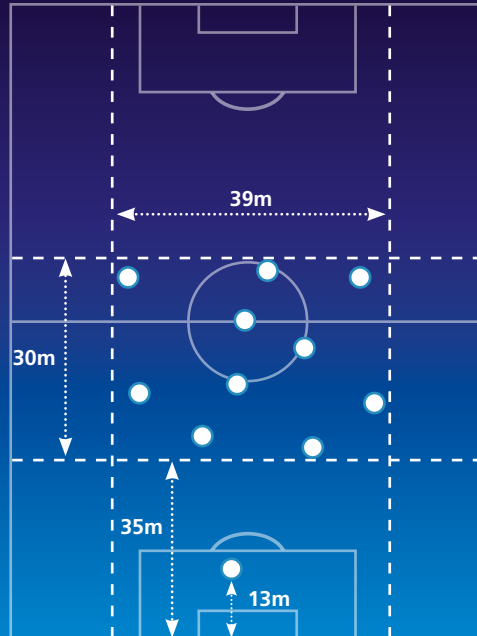
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

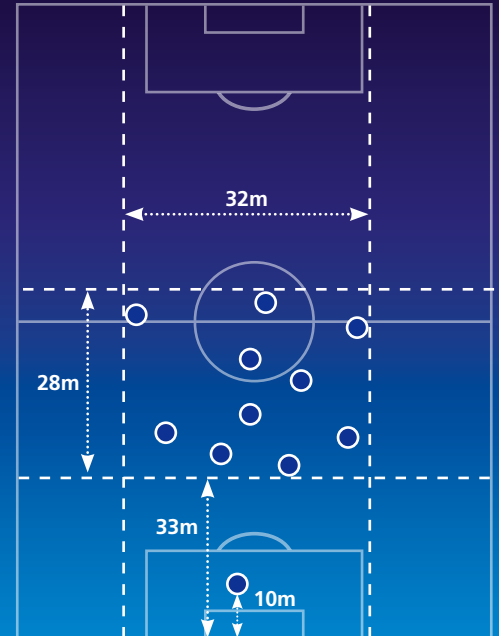


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

457
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

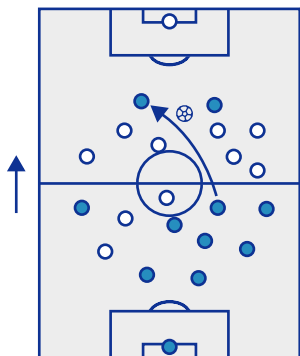


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29 Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

64% Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

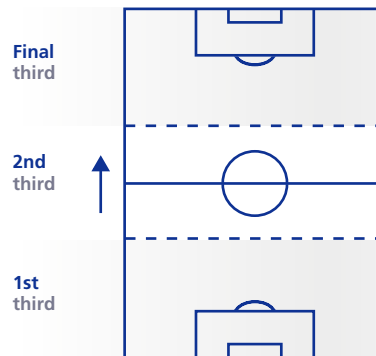
Bypassed opponents



165
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▲

110
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▼

Final-third and penalty-area entries



27
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▼

49
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▼

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



ENGLAND / UEFA

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2014 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
 - 5 August Korea DPR 1-3 England
 - 8 August Brazil 1-1 England
 - 12 August England 6-1 Mexico
- QUARTER-FINAL**
 - 17 August England 2-1 Netherlands
- SEMI-FINAL**
 - 20 August England 0-2 Japan
- MATCH FOR 3RD PLACE**
 - 24 August France 1-1 England
England win on penalties (2-4)



Head coach
Mo Marley (ENG)

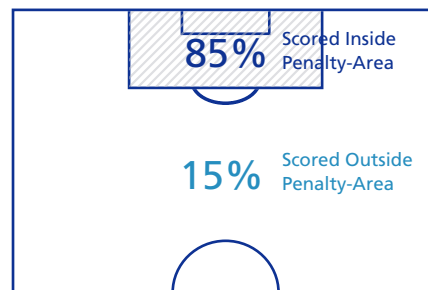
Technical staff
SALOMON John (Assistant Coach)
HALL Leanne (Goalkeeper Coach)
EVANS Martin (Physical Trainer)
WAGHORN Ruth (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

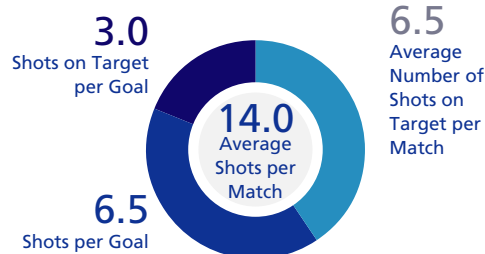
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|-------------|-----|------------------|------------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | MACIVER Sandy | Clemson University (USA) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | ROEBUCK Ellie | Manchester City WFC (ENG) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | RAMSEY Emily | Manchester United WFC (ENG) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | PATTEN Anna | Florida State University (USA) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | PACHECO Mayumi | Reading FCW (ENG) | 521 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | FISK Grace (C) | University of South Carolina (USA) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | FINNIGAN Megan | Everton LFC (ENG) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | MORGAN Esme | Manchester City WFC (ENG) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 18 | HINDS Taylor | Everton LFC (ENG) | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | ROUSE Mollie | University of Louisville (USA) | 422 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | ALLEN Georgia | Syracuse University (USA) | 137 | 0 | 1 |
| | 10 | STANWAY Georgia | Manchester City WFC (ENG) | 521 | 6 | 0 |
| | 14 | PEPLOW Chloe | Brighton & Hove Albion WFC (ENG) | 526 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | CROSS Zoe | University of Missouri (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 7 | RUSSO Alessia | University of North Carolina (USA) | 490 | 3 | 1 |
| | 9 | HEMP Lauren | Manchester City WFC (ENG) | 486 | 3 | 3 |
| | 11 | CHARLES Niamh | Liverpool LFC (ENG) | 43 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | JOHNSON Ali | Bristol City WFC (ENG) | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | KELLY Chloe | Everton LFC (ENG) | 515 | 1 | 2 |
| | 17 | BABAJIDE Rinsola | Liverpool LFC (ENG) | 31 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | WELLINGS Charlie | Birmingham City LFC (ENG) | 54 | 0 | 0 |

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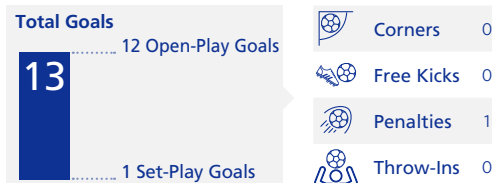
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

45%



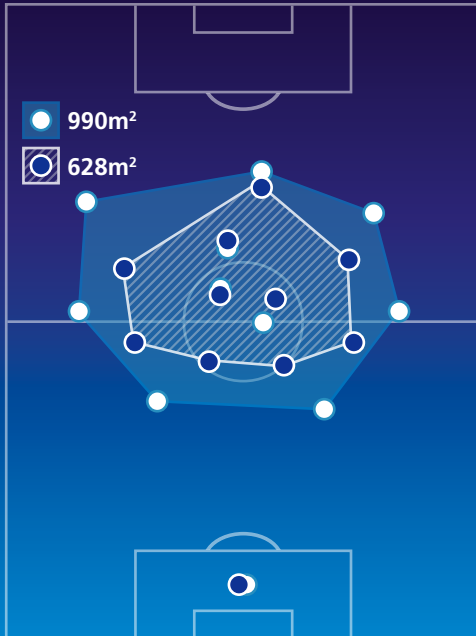
ENGLAND / UEFA

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

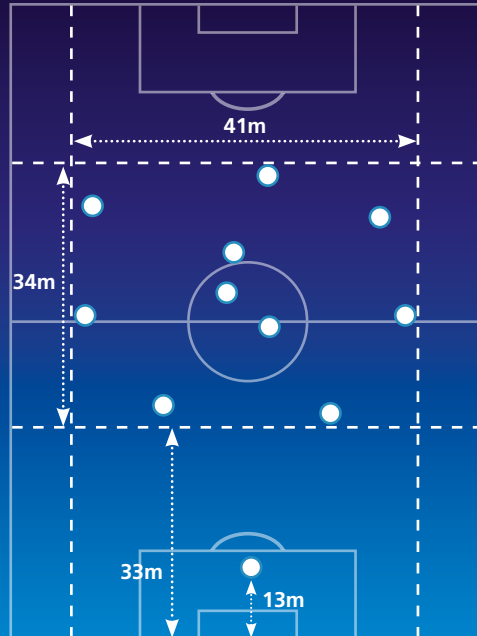
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

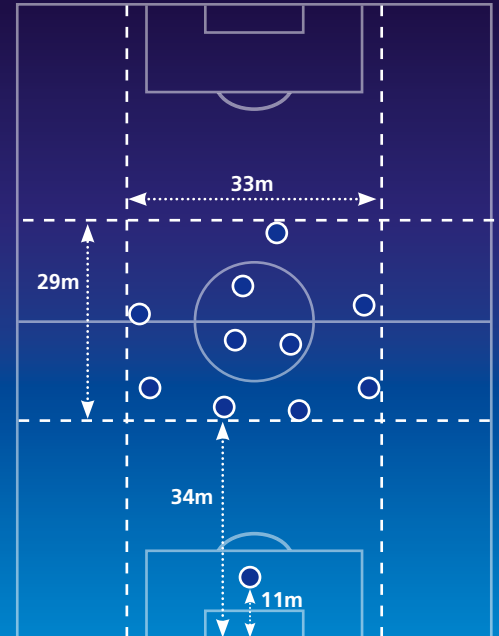


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

406
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

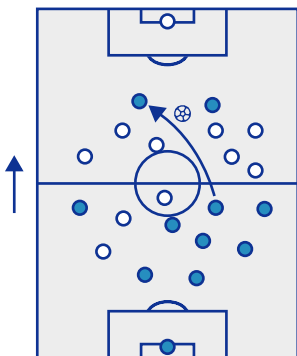


■ Short (<17m) ■ Medium (17-34m) ■ Long (>34m)

35
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

69%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

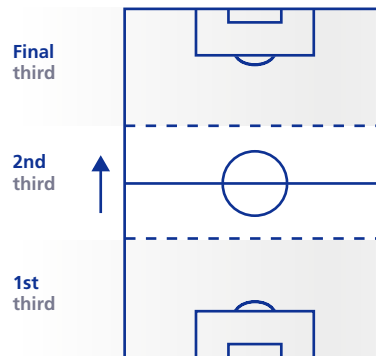
Bypassed opponents



166
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▲

185
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▲

Final-third and penalty-area entries



26
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▼

50
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▼

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108.9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



FRANCE / UEFA

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Runners-Up

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 5 August
France 4-1 Ghana
- 8 August
France 0-0 New Zealand
- 12 August
Netherlands 0-4 France
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 16 August
France 1-0 Korea DPR
- SEMI-FINAL**
- 20 August
France 0-1 Spain
- MATCH FOR 3RD PLACE**
- 24 August
France 1-1 England
England win on penalties (2-4)



Head coach
Gilles Eyquem (FRA)

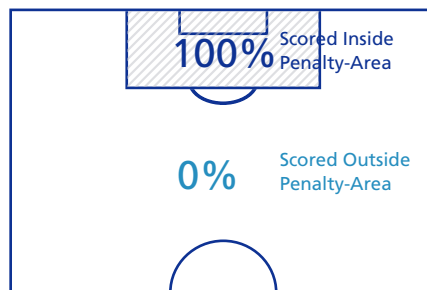
Technical staff
RINGER Sandrine (Assistant Coach)
ROUX Sandrine (Goalkeeper Coach)
MOUREAUX Jeremy (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

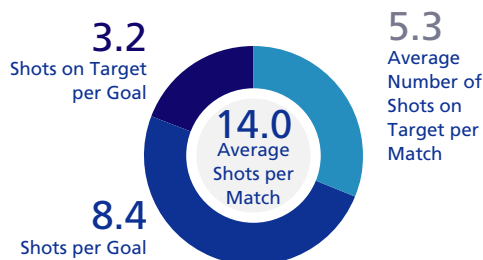
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|-------------|-----|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | CHAVAS Mylene | Dijon FCO (FRA) | 429 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | PECHARMAN Camille | Paris FC (FRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | LEROND Justine | FC Metz (FRA) | 111 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | DE ALMEIDA Elisa | Paris FC (FRA) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | BACHA Selma | Olympique Lyon (FRA) | 540 | 0 | 1 |
| | 4 | THIBAUD Julie (C) | FC Girondins Bordeaux (FRA) | 471 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | PIGA Julie (C) | Grenoble Foot 38 (FRA) | 213 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | DECHILLY Pauline | FC Metz (FRA) | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 13 | LAKRAR Maelle | Montpellier HSC (FRA) | 417 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | GOETSCH Lena | FC Vendenheim (FRA) | 180 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | DAOUDI Sana | Atletico Madrid (ESP) | 391 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | FERCOCQ Helene | FC Metz (FRA) | 186 | 1 | 0 |
| | 10 | ZAMANIAN Annahita | Kopparbergs/Göteborg FC (SWE) | 332 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | GAVORY Christy | FC Metz (FRA) | 282 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | POLITO Carla | Lille OSC (FRA) | 340 | 0 | 2 |
| FORWARDS | 7 | LAURENT Emelyne | Olympique Lyon (FRA) | 462 | 4 | 1 |
| | 9 | KATOTO Marie-Antoinette (C) | Paris Saint-Germain FC (FRA) | 248 | 0 | 1 |
| | 11 | MALARD Melvine | Olympique Lyon (FRA) | 328 | 0 | 1 |
| | 18 | REY Marion | FC Basel (SUI) | 16 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | DELABRE Amelie | FC Metz (FRA) | 246 | 4 | 0 |
| | 20 | BALTIMORE Sandy | Paris Saint-Germain FC (FRA) | 385 | 1 | 0 |

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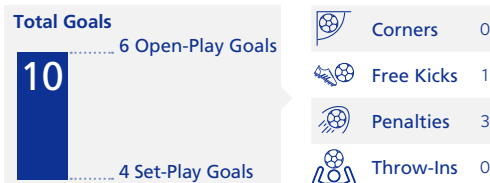
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

56%



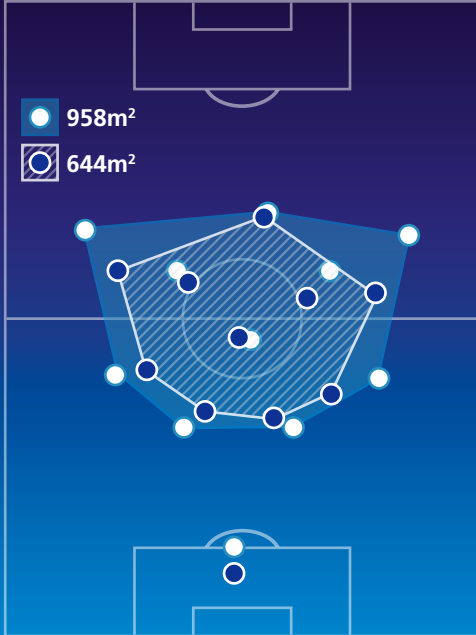
FRANCE / UEFA

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

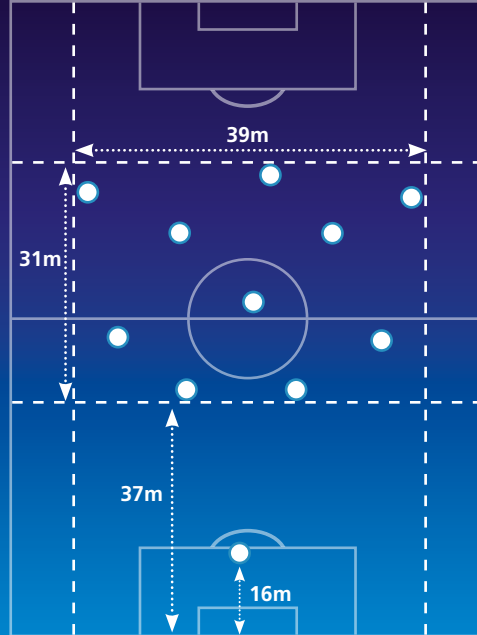
Team compactness in & out of possession

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- Out of possession

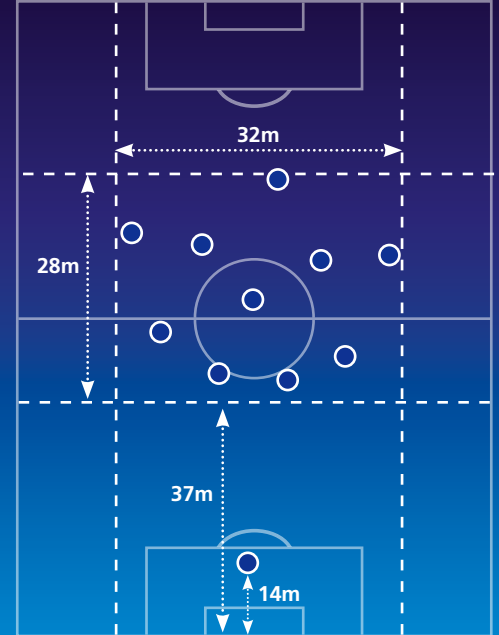


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

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Total average number of passes
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Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

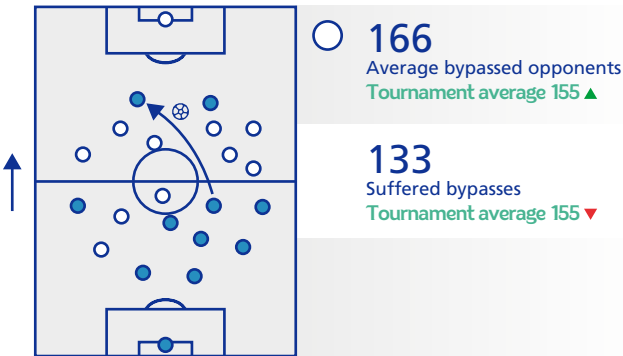


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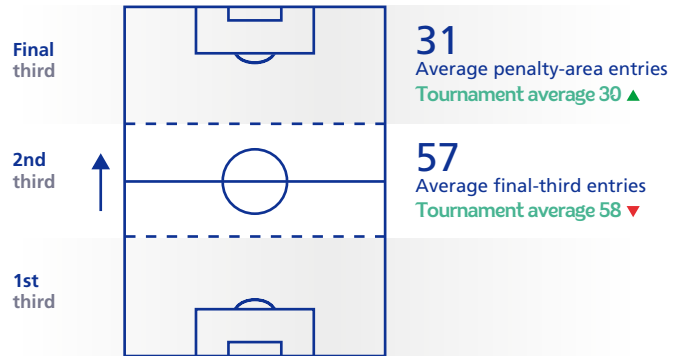
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70%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



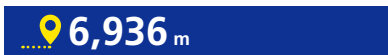
Tournament average
108,9 km —

Number of activities >23km/h



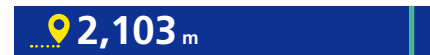
Tournament average
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Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average
6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average
1,984 m ▲



GERMANY / UEFA

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Quarter-Finals

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
▶ Nigeria 0-1 Germany
- 9 August
▶ Germany 2-0 China PR
- 13 August
▶ Germany 3-2 Haiti
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 17 August
▶ Germany 1-3 Japan
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Maren Meinert (GER)

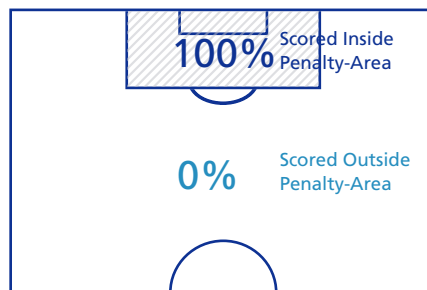
Technical staff
BALLWEG Ulrike (Assistant Coach)
WIEGMANN Bettina (Assistant Coach)
ROTTENBERG Silke (Goalkeeper Coach)
WEHRSEN Claudia (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

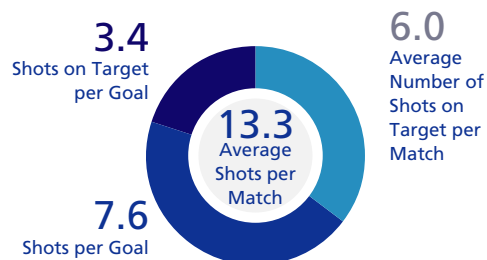
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|-------------|-----|-------------------|------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | FISCHER Vanessa | 1. FFC Turbine Potsdam (GER) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | LEITZIG Janina | TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (GER) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | VOLL Charlotte | Paris Saint-Germain FC (FRA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 3 | ORSCHMANN Katja | 1. FFC Turbine Potsdam (GER) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | KLEINHERNE Sophia | 1. FFC Frankfurt (GER) | 270 | 0 | 1 |
| | 5 | PAWOLLEK Tanja | 1. FFC Frankfurt (GER) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | LINDER Sarai | TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (GER) | 120 | 0 | 1 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 14 | HECHLER Janina | 1. FFC Frankfurt (GER) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 2 | ORSCHMANN Dina | 1. FFC Turbine Potsdam (GER) | 97 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | MINGE Janina | SC Freiburg (GER) | 315 | 1 | 0 |
| | 7 | GWINN Giulia | SC Freiburg (GER) | 315 | 1 | 1 |
| | 8 | FELDKAMP Jana (C) | SGS Essen (GER) | 315 | 0 | 1 |
| | 11 | KOEGEL Kristin | FC Bayern München (GER) | 99 | 1 | 0 |
| | 16 | GRAF Luca | 1. FFC Turbine Potsdam (GER) | 95 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | NUESKEN Sjoeko | SV Westfalia Rhynern (GER) | 216 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 20 | OBERDORF Lena | SGS Essen (GER) | 249 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | SANDERS Stefanie | UCF Knights (USA) | 164 | 1 | 1 |
| | 10 | FREIGANG Laura | 1. FFC Frankfurt (GER) | 303 | 2 | 0 |
| | 15 | LANGE Nina | MSV Duisburg (GER) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | BUEHL Klara | SC Freiburg (GER) | 220 | 1 | 1 |
| | 19 | RIEKE Annalena | SGS Essen (GER) | 12 | 0 | 0 |

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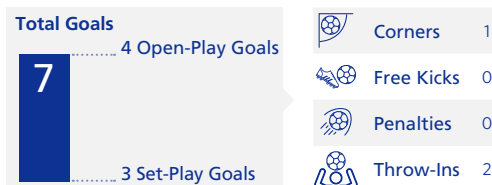
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

51%



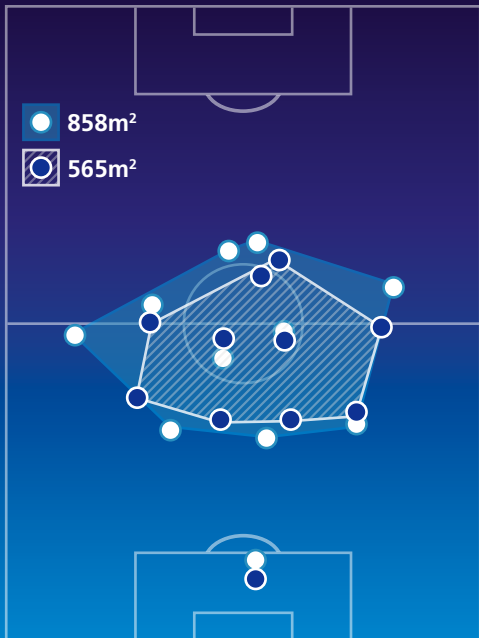
GERMANY / UEFA

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

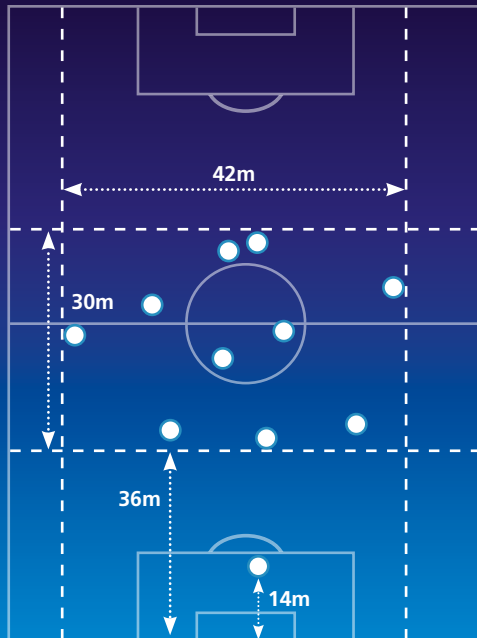
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

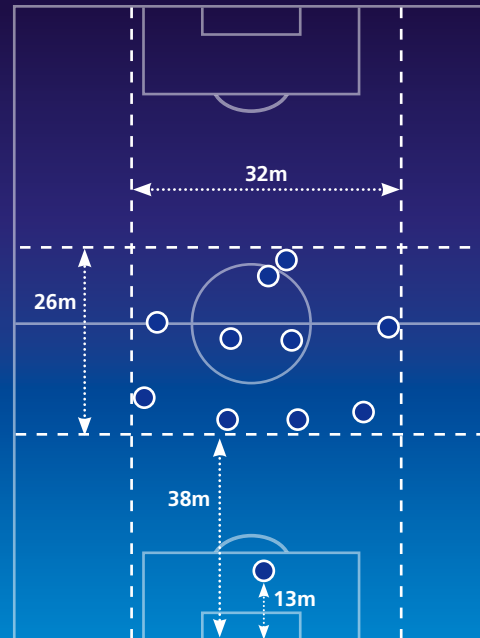


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

497
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

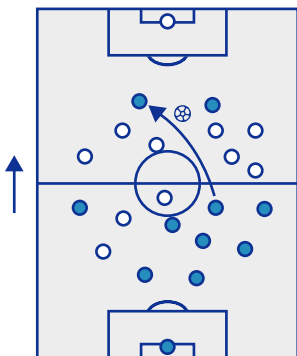


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38
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

81%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

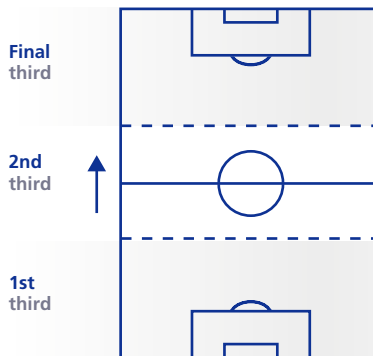
Bypassed opponents



203
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▲

150
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▼

Final-third and penalty-area entries



28
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▼

58
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 —

Total distance covered



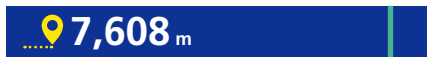
Tournament average 108,9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



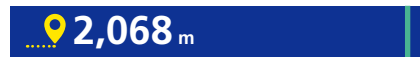
Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



GHANA / CAF

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 5 August
France 4-1 Ghana
- 8 August
Netherlands 4-0 Ghana
- 12 August
Ghana 1-0 New Zealand
- QUARTER-FINAL**
-
- SEMI-FINAL**
-
- FINAL**
-



Head coach
Yussif Basigi (GHA)

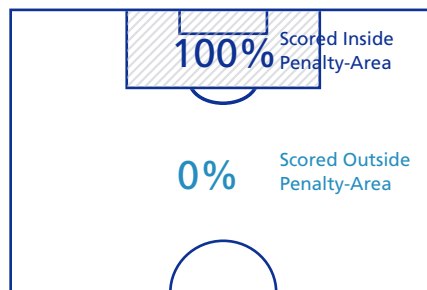
Technical staff
FENNY Raymond (Goalkeeper Coach)
ZUTAH Dora (Goalkeeper Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

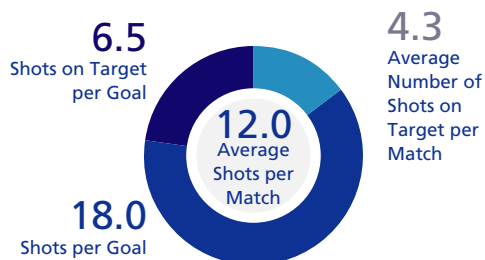
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | AGYEMANG Esther | Immigration Ladies (GHA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | ANNAN Martha | Sea Lions Ladies Club FC (GHA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | McCARTHY Kerrie | Sport Academy (GHA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | HAGAN Cecilia | Sea Lions Ladies Club FC (GHA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | TWENEBOAA Justice | Ampem Darko Ladies (GHA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | AMOAKO Linda | Soccer Intellectual Ladies (GHA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | ANANE Belinda | Fabulous Ladies FC (GHA) | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | ASUAKO Philicity | Samaria Ladies (GHA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | BADU Evelyn | Hasaacas Ladies FC (GHA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 18 | AGBOMADZI Shine | Sea Lions Ladies Club FC (GHA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | ASAMOAH Joyce | Fabulous Ladies FC (GHA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | ASANTEWAA Grace | Ampem Darko Ladies (GHA) | 270 | 0 | 1 |
| | 8 | ACHEAMPONG Grace | Ash Town Ladies (GHA) | 130 | 0 | 0 |
| | 10 | ABAMBILA Ernestina | N/A (Free Agent) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 11 | ANOKYE Olivia | Sea Lions Ladies Club FC (GHA) | 229 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 20 | AGYEMANG Adu | Ash Town Ladies (GHA) | 122 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | ANIMA Ruth | Fabulous Ladies FC (GHA) | 127 | 1 | 0 |
| | 7 | KULCHIRIE Rafia-Alhassan (C) | Hasaacas Ladies FC (GHA) | 121 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | OWUSU-ANSAH Sandra (C) | Supreme Ladies (GHA) | 270 | 1 | 0 |
| | 13 | OBENG Helena | Ash Town Ladies (GHA) | 153 | 0 | 0 |
| 15 | PETERSON-KUNDOK Patience | Ampem Darko Ladies (GHA) | 0 | 0 | 0 | |

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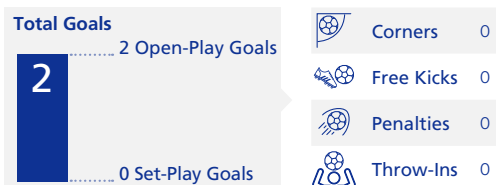
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

44%



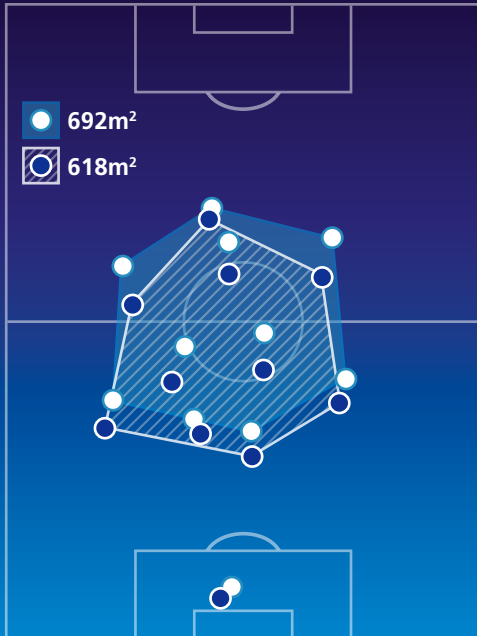
GHANA / CAF

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

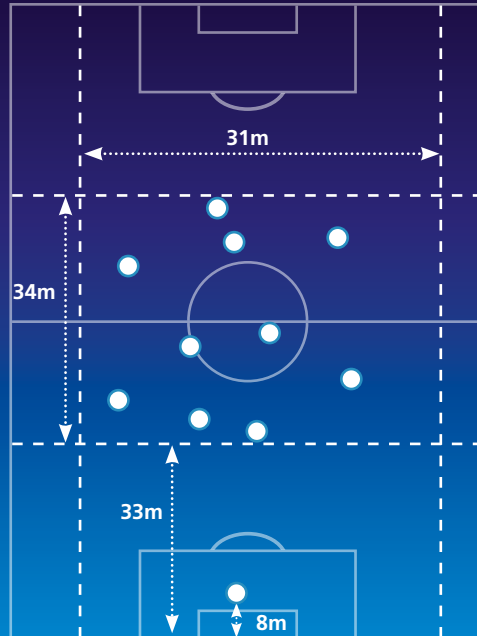
Team compactness in & out of possession

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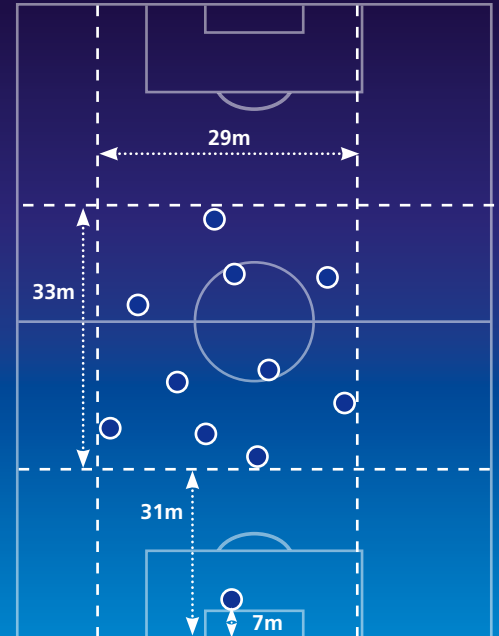


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▼

420
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

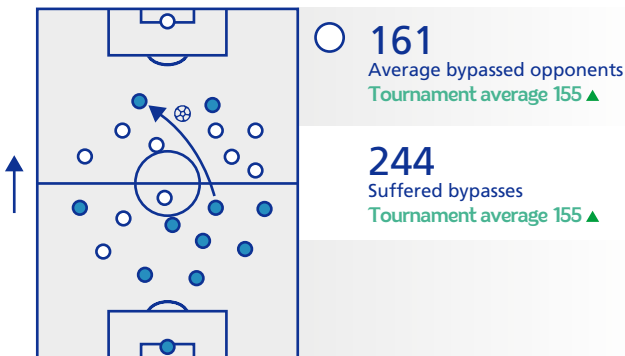


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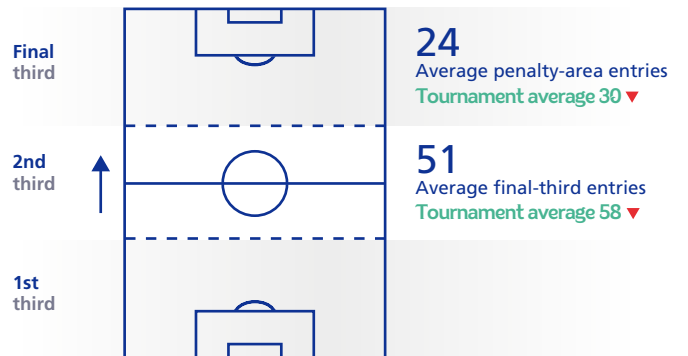
13
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

68%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% —

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▼

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▼



HAITI / CONCACAF

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
First FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup appearance

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
Haiti 1-2 China PR
- 9 August
Haiti 0-1 Nigeria
- 13 August
Germany 3-2 Haiti
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Marc Collat (FRA)

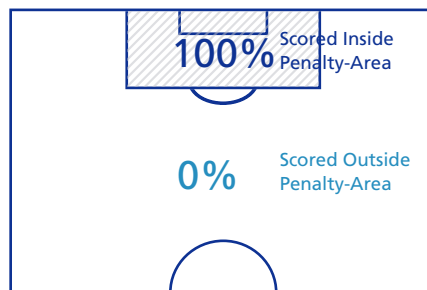
Technical staff
FELIX Yvette (Assistant Coach)
MATE Sebastien (Goalkeeper Coach)
LOPEZ-GUIA Sebastien (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

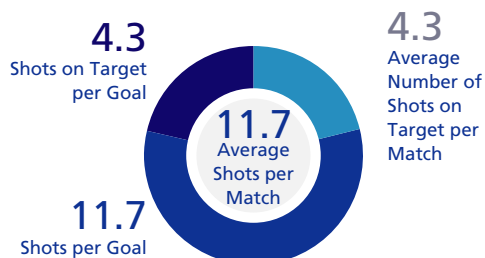
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|-------------|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | THEUS Kerly | N/A (Free Agent) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | JOSEPH Edjenie | N/A (Free Agent) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | FLEURIOT Madelina | N/A (Free Agent) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | MATHURIN Ruthny | N/A (Free Agent) | 144 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | NORTHE Naphtalie | N/A (Free Agent) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | CHARLES Emeline | N/A (Free Agent) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | DARIUS Danielle | N/A (Free Agent) | 180 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | JOSEPH Dougenie | N/A (Free Agent) | 180 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | JEAN Rosianne | N/A (Free Agent) | 70 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 14 | CAREMUS Rachelle | N/A (Free Agent) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | PIERRE JEROME Milan | N/A (Free Agent) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | DACIUS Melissa | N/A (Free Agent) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | NICOLAS Nelourde | N/A (Free Agent) | 68 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | ETIENNE Danielle | N/A (Free Agent) | 225 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | DUMONAY Melchie | N/A (Free Agent) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | GUSTAVE Angeline | N/A (Free Agent) | 64 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 20 | JEAN THOMAS Dolores | N/A (Free Agent) | 47 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | JEUDY Sherly | N/A (Free Agent) | 239 | 0 | 0 |
| | 10 | MONDESIR Nerilia (C) | Montpellier HSC (FRA) | 270 | 3 | 0 |
| | 11 | ELOISSAINT Roseline | N/A (Free Agent) | 129 | 0 | 1 |
| | 17 | SAINT FELIX Mikerline | N/A (Free Agent) | 94 | 0 | 0 |

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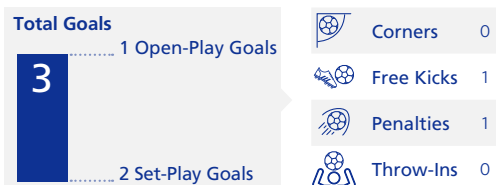
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

47%



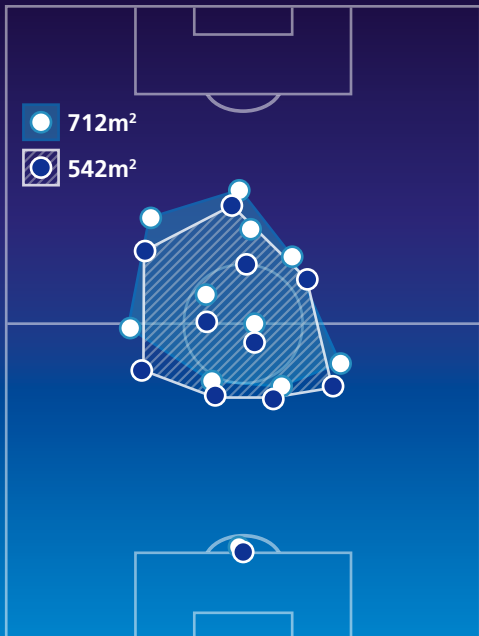
HAITI / CONCACAF

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

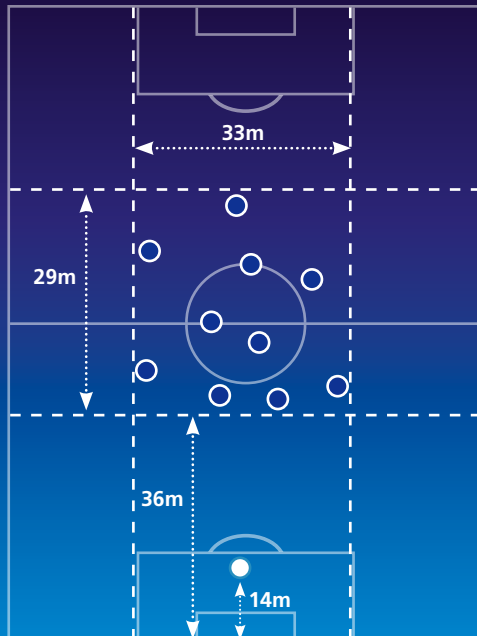
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

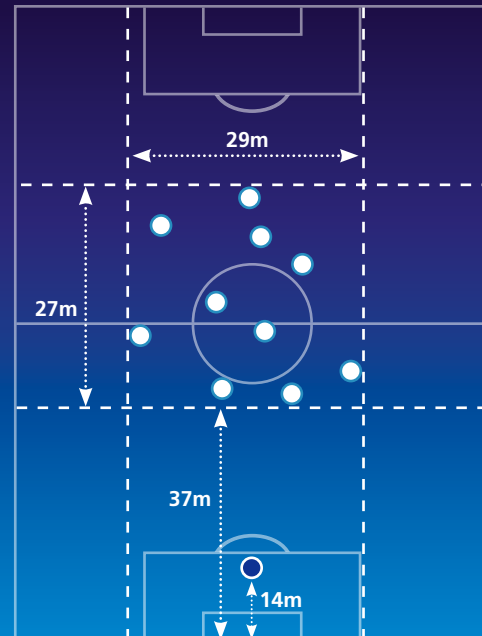


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▼

373
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

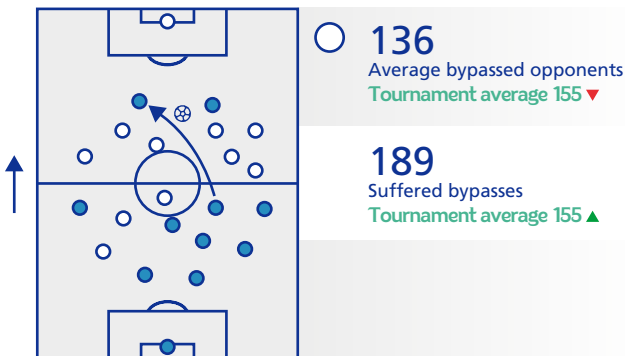


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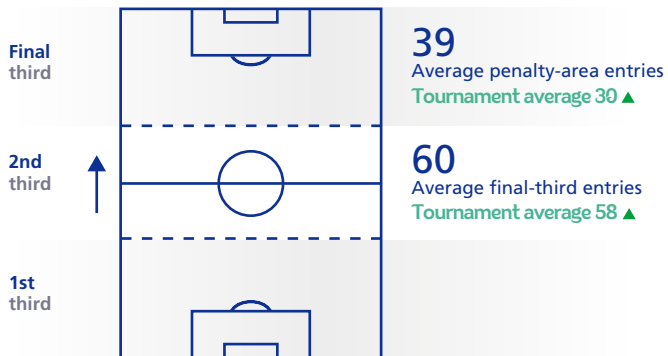
24
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

66%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



JAPAN / AFC

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Semi-Finals

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
USA 0-1 Japan
- 9 August
Spain 1-0 Japan
- 13 August
Japan 6-0 Paraguay
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 17 August
Germany 1-3 Japan
- SEMI-FINAL**
- 20 August
England 0-2 Japan
- FINAL**
- 24 August
Spain 1-3 Japan



Head coach
Futoshi Ikeda (JPN)

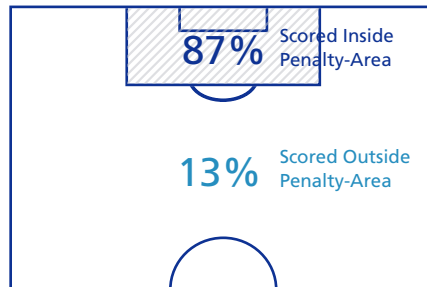
Technical staff
OKAMOTO Miyo (Assistant Coach)
NISHIIRI Toshihiro (Goalkeeper Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

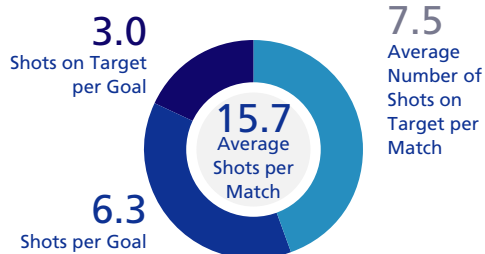
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|-------------|-----|------------------|---------------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | SUZUKI Aguri | Vegalta Sendai Ladies (JPN) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | STAMBAUGH Hannah | INAC Kobe Leonessa (JPN) | 450 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | FUKUTA Mai | Nittaidai Fields Yokohama (JPN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | ONO Nana | Kanagawa University (JPN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | TAKAHIRA Miyu | Vegalta Sendai Ladies (JPN) | 103 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | MINAMI Moeka (C) | Urawa Red Diamonds Ladies (JPN) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | USHIJIMA Riko | INAC Kobe Leonessa (JPN) | 181 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | TAKAHASHI Hana | Urawa Red Diamonds Ladies (JPN) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | KITAMURA Nanami | Cerezo Osaka Sakai Ladies (JPN) | 438 | 0 | 1 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 7 | HAYASHI Honoka | Cerezo Osaka Sakai Ladies (JPN) | 526 | 1 | 1 |
| | 8 | FUKUTA Yui | INAC Kobe Leonessa (JPN) | 14 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | MIYAZAWA Hinata | NTV Beleza (JPN) | 511 | 1 | 1 |
| | 10 | NAGANO Fuka | Hyundai Steel Red Angels (KOR) | 540 | 1 | 0 |
| | 12 | IMAI Yurina | Nittaidai Fields Yokohama (JPN) | 28 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | MIYAGAWA Asato | NTV Beleza (JPN) | 474 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | SATO Mizuka | JEF United Ichihara Chiba Ladie (JPN) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 20 | ENDO Jun | JFA Academy Fukushima (JPN) | 479 | 2 | 5 |
| | 11 | TAKARADA Saori | Cerezo Osaka Sakai Ladies (JPN) | 475 | 5 | 3 |
| | 14 | MURAOKA Mami | Orca Kamogawa FC (JPN) | 85 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | KONO Fuka | Nittaidai Fields Yokohama (JPN) | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | UEKI Riko | NTV Beleza (JPN) | 461 | 5 | 1 |

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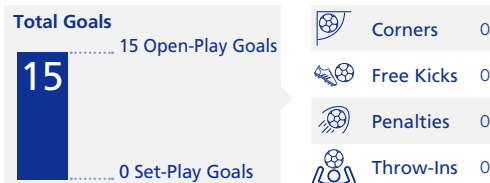
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

50%



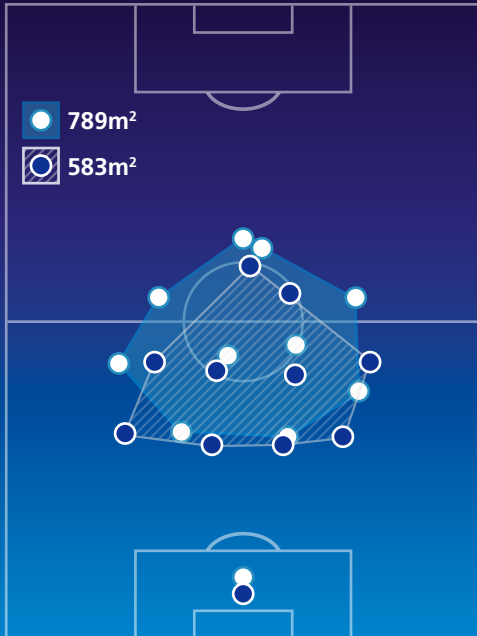
JAPAN / AFC

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Team positional insights

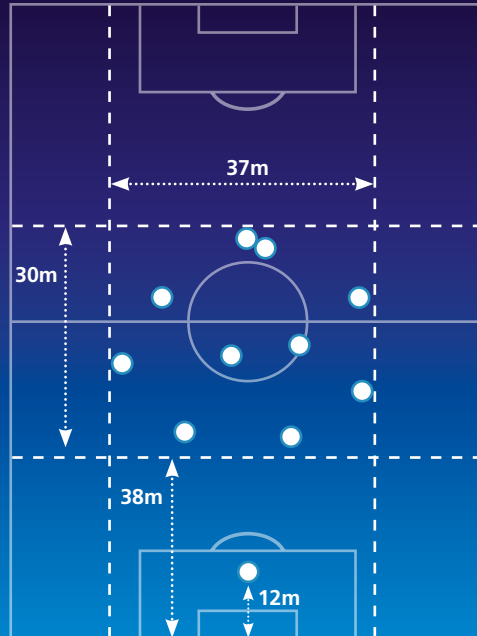
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

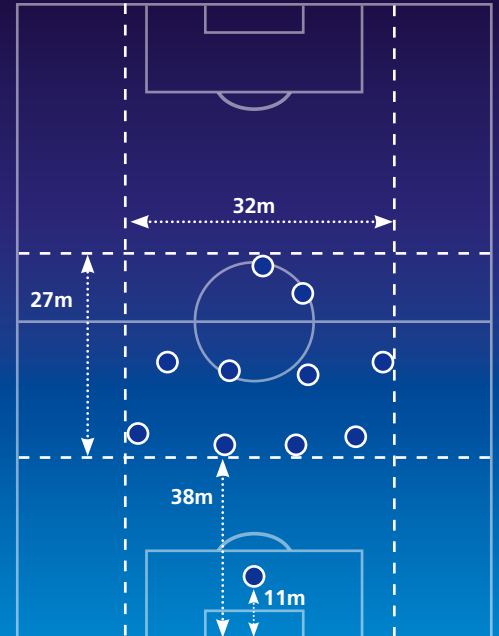


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

503
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

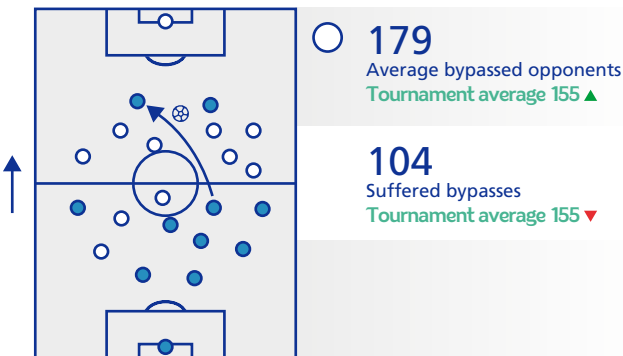


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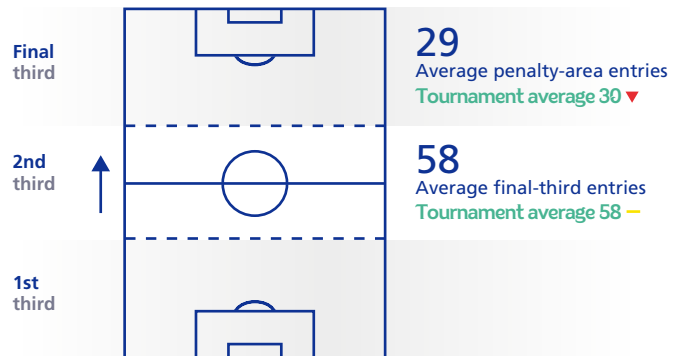
22
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

49%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



Number of activities >23km/h



Distance covered above 19km/h



Distance covered above 23km/h





KOREA DPR / AFC

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Champions

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
5 August
- ▶ Korea DPR 1-3 England
8 August
- ▶ Korea DPR 2-1 Mexico
12 August
- ▶ Brazil 1-2 Korea DPR
- QUARTER-FINAL**
16 August
- ▶ France 1-0 Korea DPR
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Hwang Yong Bong (PRK)

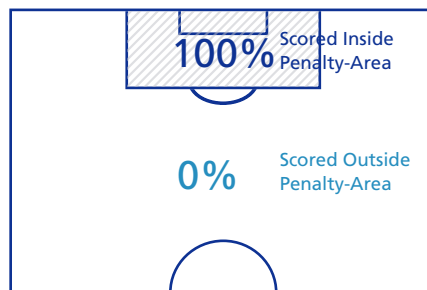
Technical staff
O Ju Hyon (Assistant Coach)
RI Kum Suk (Assistant Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

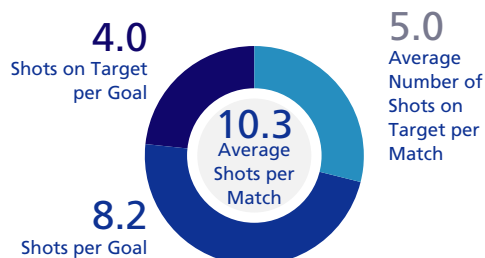
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|-----|--------------------|---|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | OK Kum Ju | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | KIM Yong Sun | April 25 SC (PRK) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | RI Jong Sim | Amrokgang SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 3 | RYANG Ryong Mi (C) | Sobaeksu SC (PRK) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | SIN Jong Hyang | Rimyongsu SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | RI Kum Hyang | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | RI Chun Gyong | Pyongyang City SC (PRK) | 11 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 14 | RI Yong Mi | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | RI Pom Hyang | Pyongyang City SC (PRK) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 2 | AN Kuk Hyang | April 25 SC (PRK) | 360 | 0 | 4 |
| | 8 | PANG Un Sim | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 324 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 9 | KIM Pom Ui | Sobaeksu SC (PRK) | 234 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | KO Kyong Hui | Ryomyong SC (PRK) | 304 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | AN Myong Song | Amrokgang SC (PRK) | 160 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | AN Song Ok | April 25 SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | CHOE Kum Ok | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 340 | 2 | 0 |
| | 7 | JA Un Yong | April 25 SC (PRK) | 110 | 1 | 0 |
| | 10 | KIM Kyong Yong | Naegoyhyang SC (PRK) | 360 | 1 | 0 |
| | 11 | SON Sun Im | Wolmido SC (PRK) | 180 | 1 | 0 |
| | 16 | JANG Suk Yong | Amrokgang SC (PRK) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | RI Hak | Pyongyang International Football School (PRK) | 137 | 0 | 0 |

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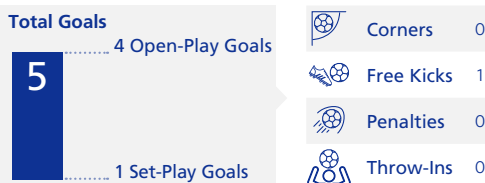
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

46%



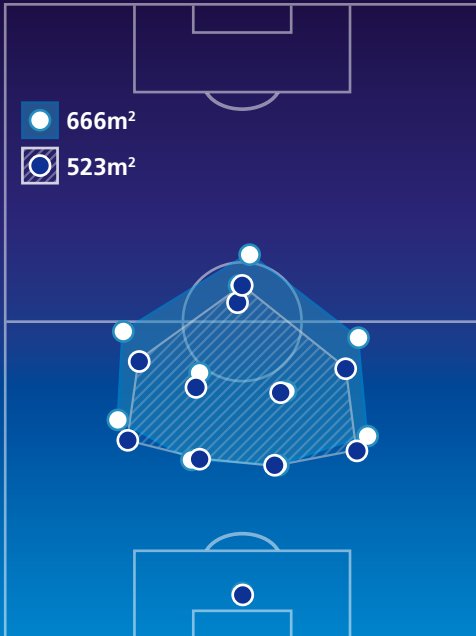
KOREA DPR / AFC

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

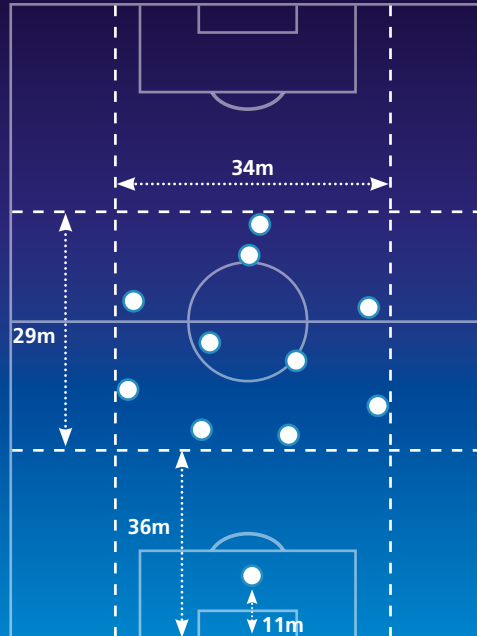
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

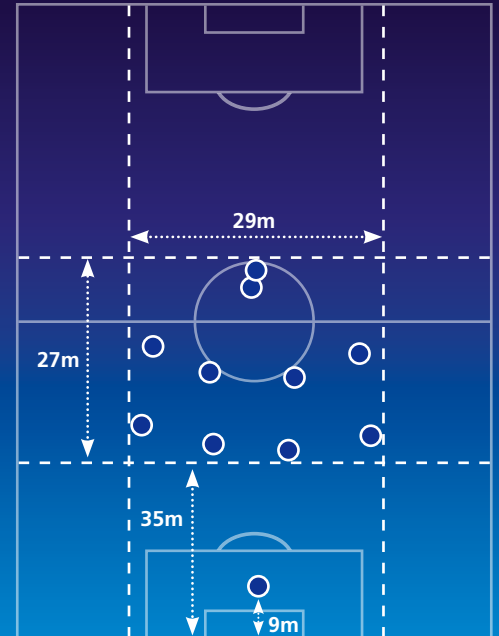


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

491
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

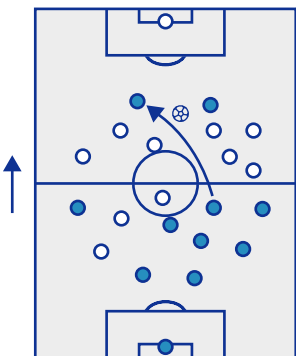


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22
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

66%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

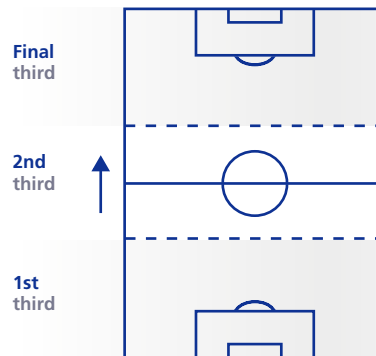
Bypassed opponents



195
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▲

138
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▼

Final-third and penalty-area entries



26
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▼

59
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▲

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▼

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▼

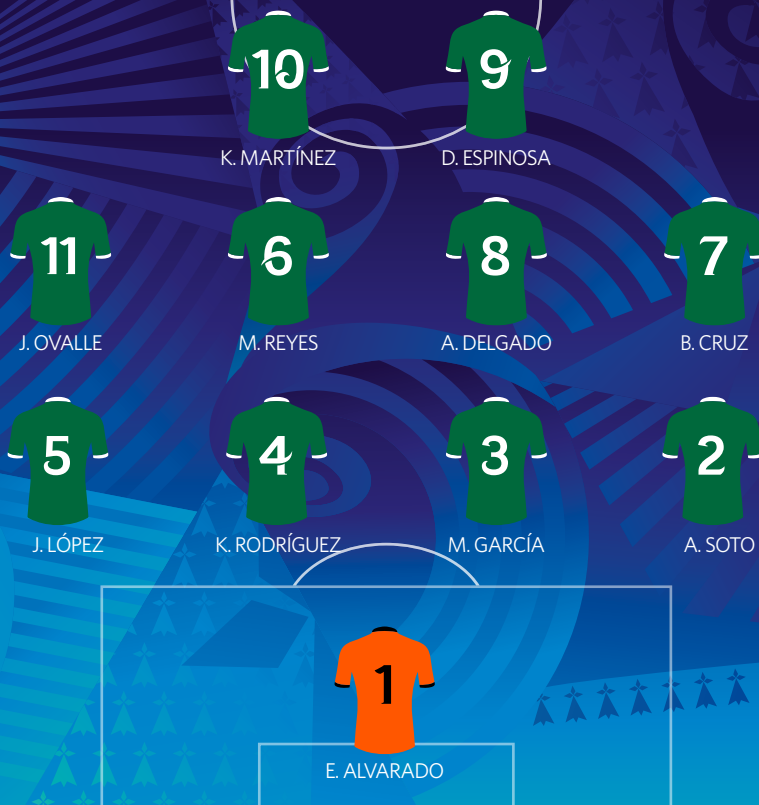


MEXICO / CONCACAF

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Quarter-Finals

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 5 August
- ▶ Mexico 3-2 Brazil
- 8 August
- ▶ Korea DPR 2-1 Mexico
- 12 August
- ▶ England 6-1 Mexico
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Christopher Cuéllar (USA)

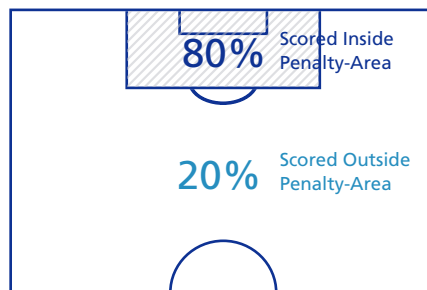
Technical staff
VERGARA Monica (Assistant Coach)
MUNOZ Lauro (Goalkeeper Coach)
DOMINGUEZ Mario (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

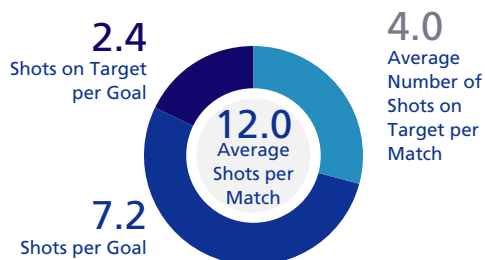
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|-------------------|----------------------------|---|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | ALVARADO Emily | Texas Christian University (USA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | TOLEDO Wendy | Santos Laguna (MEX) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | AGUIRRE Zoe | Eastern Kentucky Universit (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | SOTO Ashley | University of Southern California (USA) | 261 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | GARCIA Miriam | CD Guadalajara (MEX) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | RODRIGUEZ Kimberly | Oklahoma State University (USA) | 270 | 0 | 2 |
| | 5 | LOPEZ Jimena | Texas A&M University (USA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | DIAZ Karen | CF Pachuca (MEX) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 15 | PALOMO Athalie | FC Dallas (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | VILLARREAL Natalia | Tigres UANL (MEX) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | REYES Maricarmen | UCLA (USA) | 216 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | CRUZ Belen | Tigres UANL (MEX) | 163 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | DELGADO Alexia (C) | Arizona State (USA) | 245 | 0 | 0 |
| | 11 | OVALLE Jacqueline | Tigres UANL (MEX) | 261 | 4 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 14 | VILLEGAS Mia | University San Francisco (USA) | 63 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | HERNANDEZ Andrea | Deportivo Toluca FC (MEX) | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | HERNANDEZ Montserrat | Club América (MEX) | 74 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | ESPINOSA Daniela | Club América (MEX) | 270 | 0 | 1 |
| | 10 | MARTINEZ Katty | Tigres UANL (MEX) | 214 | 1 | 1 |
| 18 | SALAZAR Viridiana | CF Pachuca (MEX) | 17 | 0 | 0 | |
| 19 | JUAREZ Gabriela | Princeton University (USA) | 81 | 0 | 0 | |

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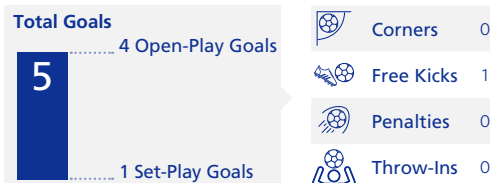
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

50%



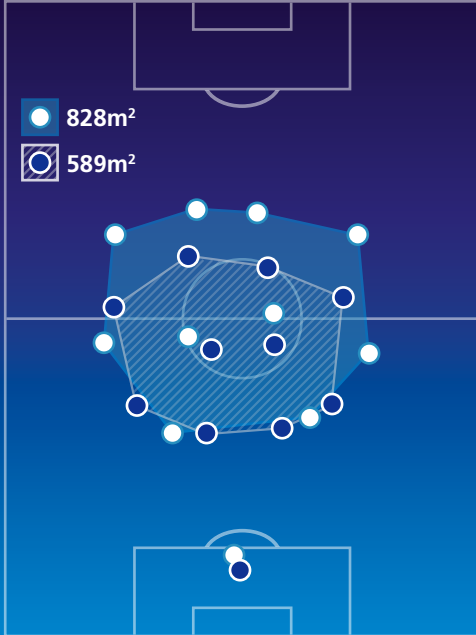
MEXICO / CONCACAF

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

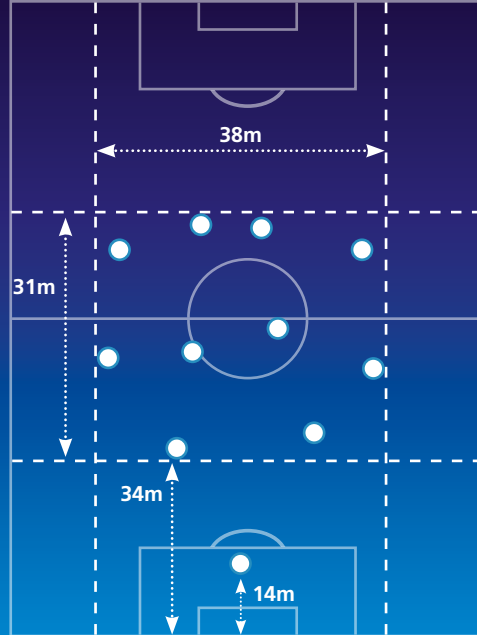
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

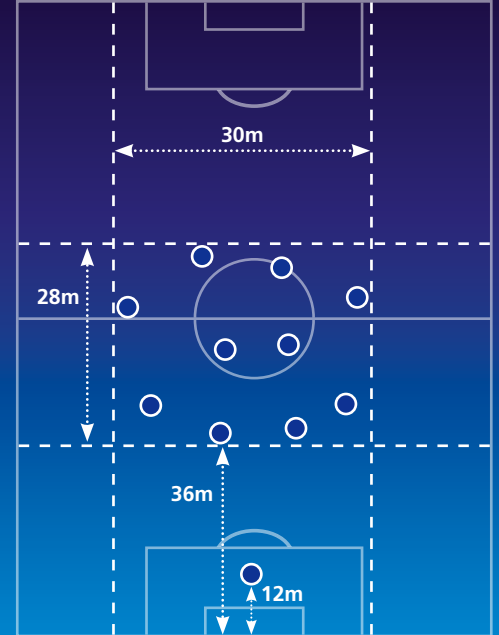


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

404
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

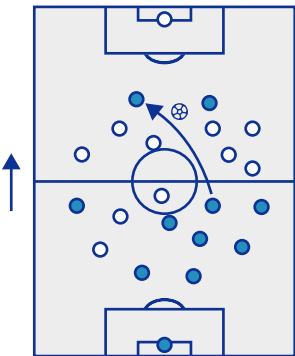


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36
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

78%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

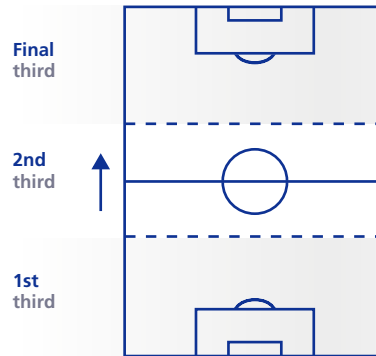
Bypassed opponents



89
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▼

206
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▲

Final-third and penalty-area entries



32
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▲

63
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▲

Total distance covered



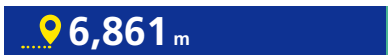
Tournament average
108,9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average
117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average
6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average
1,984 m ▼



NETHERLANDS / UEFA

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
First FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup appearance

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 5 August
- ▶ New-Zealand 1-2 Netherlands
- 8 August
- ▶ Netherlands 4-0 Ghana
- 12 August
- ▶ Netherlands 0-4 France
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 17 August
- ▶ England 2-1 Netherlands
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Michel Kreek (NED)

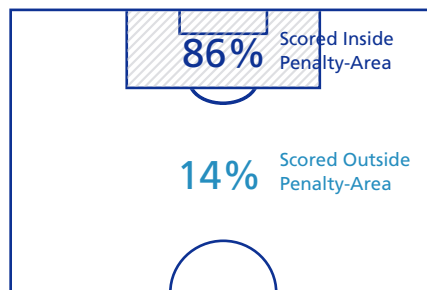
Technical staff
TORNJY Janna (Assistant Coach)
WISSINK Marleen (Assistant Coach)
SCHOENMAKERS Erskine (Goalkeeper Coach)
DE VRIES Niels (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

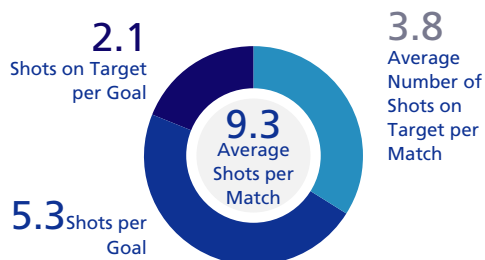
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|-----|-------------------------|-------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | KOP Lize (C) | AFC Ajax (NED) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | VAN DOMSELAAR Daphne | FC Twente (NED) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | WEIMAR Jacintha | FC Bayern München (GER) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | DUPPEN Jasmijn | VV Alkmaar (NED) | 218 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | DIJKSTRA Caitlin | AFC Ajax (NED) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | KUILENBURG Sabine | ADO Den Haag (NED) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | NOUWEN Aniek | PSV Eindhoven (NED) | 360 | 1 | 0 |
| | 12 | YPEMA Danique | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 13 | WATERHAM Noah | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 13 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | DOORN Lisa | AFC Ajax (NED) | 350 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | VAN DEURSEN Eva | Arizona State (USA) | 360 | 1 | 0 |
| | 10 | VAN DEN HEUVEL Nathalie | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 26 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | PELOVA Victoria | ADO Den Haag (NED) | 360 | 2 | 2 |
| | 18 | VAN SCHOONHOVEN Nurija | PSV Eindhoven (NED) | 103 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 20 | VAN VELZEN Kim | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | JANSEN Bente | FC Twente (NED) | 59 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | SABAJO Quinty | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 91 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | SMITS Joelle | FC Twente (NED) | 121 | 0 | 0 |
| | 11 | WEERDEN Ashleigh | FC Twente (NED) | 240 | 0 | 1 |
| | 17 | PATTIWAEL Naomi | PSV Eindhoven (NED) | 241 | 0 | 1 |
| | 19 | KALMA Fenna | SC Heerenveen (NED) | 338 | 3 | 2 |

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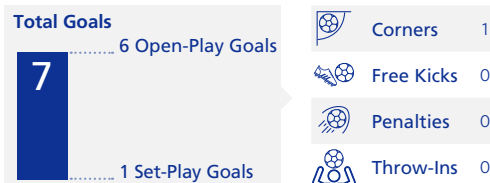
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

56%



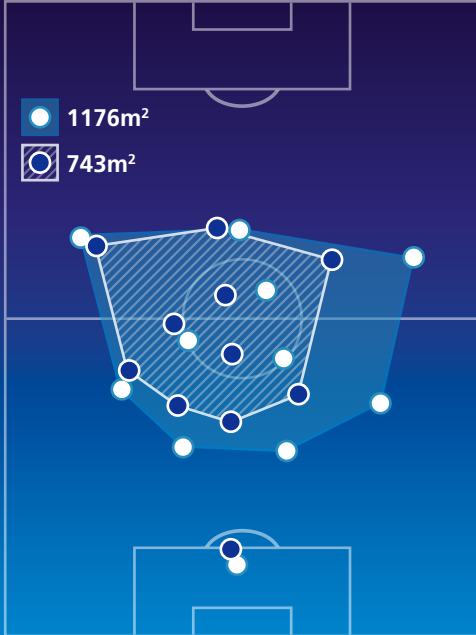
NETHERLANDS / UEFA

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

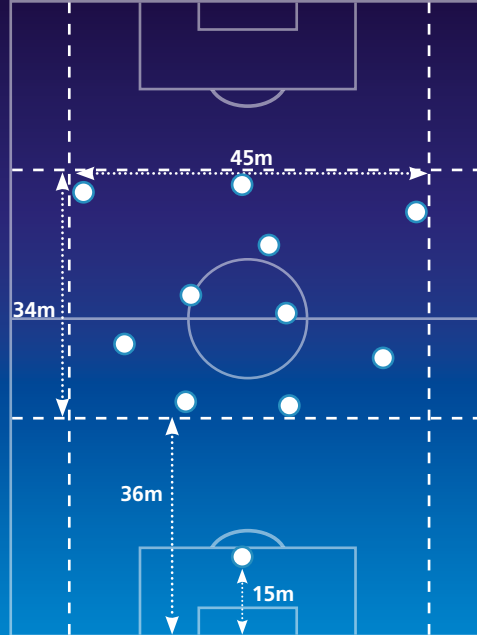
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

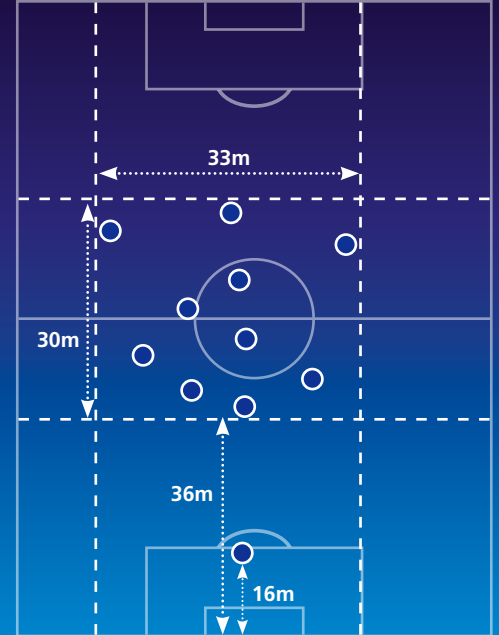


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

580
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

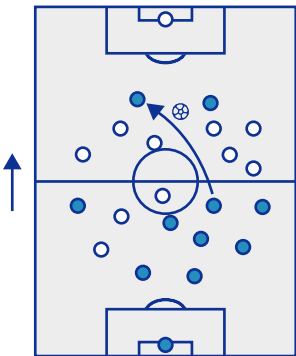


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32
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

78%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

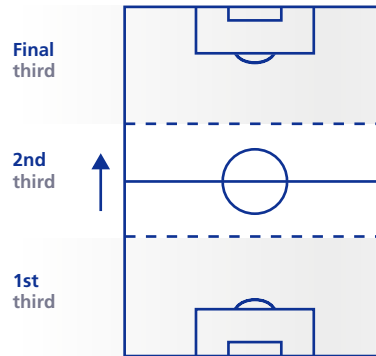
Bypassed opponents



266
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▲

141
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▼

Final-third and penalty-area entries



30
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 -

66
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▲

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▼

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▼



NEW ZEALAND / OFC

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
 - 5 August
 - New Zealand 1-2 Netherlands (8 August)
 - France 0-0 New Zealand (12 August)
 - Ghana 1-0 New Zealand
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Gareth Turnbull (NZL)

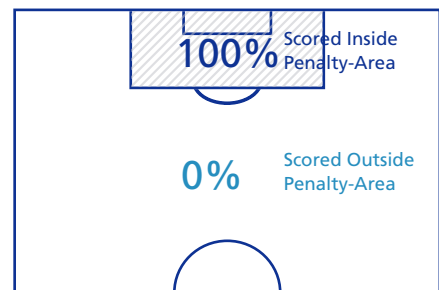
Technical staff
LEWIS Gemma (Assistant Coach)
PROSSER Owain (Assistant Coach)
REED Duncan (Goalkeeper Coach)
ROMAN Juan (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

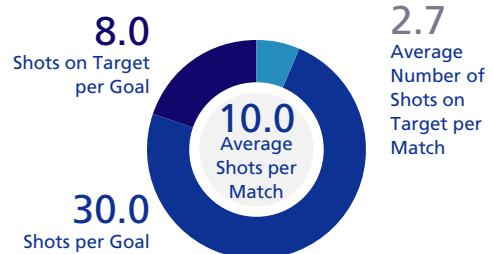
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|-------------|-----|---------------------|---------------------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | LEAT Anna | East Coast Bays AFC (NZL) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | OLLA Nadia | Western Springs AFC (NZL) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | FOYLE Una | Coastal Spirit FC (NZL) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | MORTON Sarah | Western Springs AFC (NZL) | 258 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | LAKE Rebecca | Coastal Spirit FC (NZL) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | ANTON Elizabeth | Western Springs AFC (NZL) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | FOSTER Michaela | Hamilton Wanderers (NZL) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | BUNGE Claudia | Glenfield Rovers AFC (NZL) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 15 | HILL Tiana | Claudelands Rovers FC (NZL) | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | MITTENDORFF Aneka | Forrest Hill Milford United AFC (NZL) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | METTAM Nicole | Eastern Suburbs AFC (NZL) | 9 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | BLAKE Hannah | Three Kings United SC (NZL) | 233 | 1 | 0 |
| | 8 | STEINMETZ Malia (C) | Forrest Hill Milford United AFC (NZL) | 220 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 10 | JALE Grace | Eastern Suburbs AFC (NZL) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | MORTON Rose | Western Springs AFC (NZL) | 50 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | JENKINS Maggie | Glenfield Rovers AFC (NZL) | 145 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | TAWHARU Sam | Forrest Hill Milford United AFC (NZL) | 269 | 0 | 1 |
| | 11 | HAND Jacqui | Eastern Suburbs AFC (NZL) | 158 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | SATCHELL Paige | Three Kings United SC (NZL) | 268 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | RENNIE Gabi | Waimakariri United (NZL) | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | STEVENS Dayna | Glenfield Rovers AFC (NZL) | 5 | 0 | 0 |

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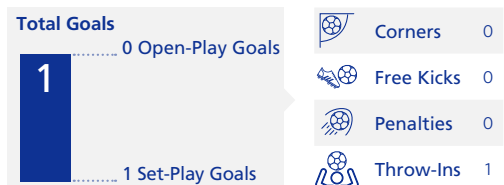
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

39%



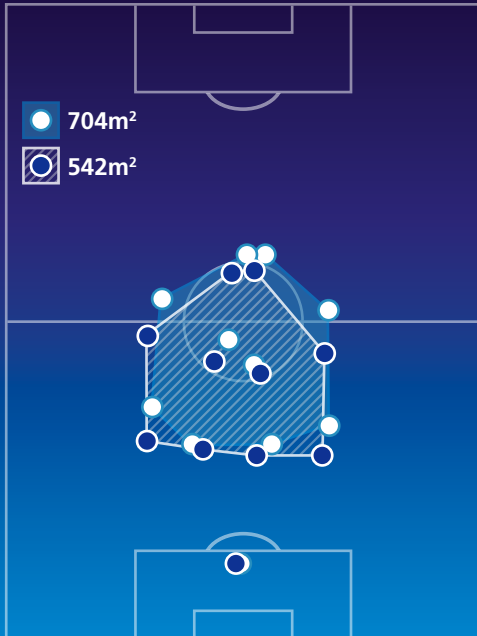
NEW ZEALAND / OFC

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

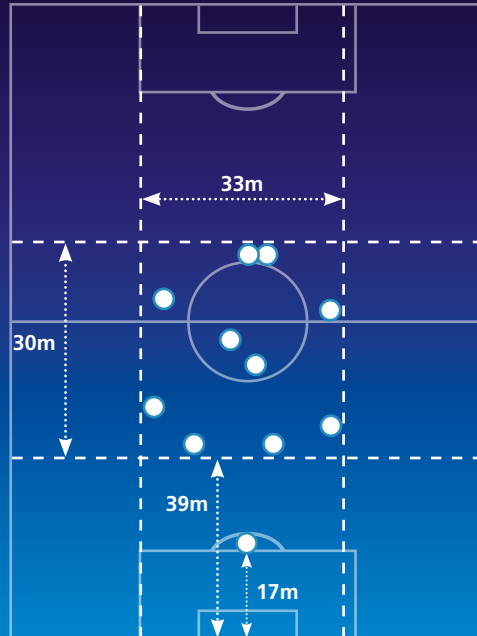
Team compactness in & out of possession

- In possession
- Out of possession

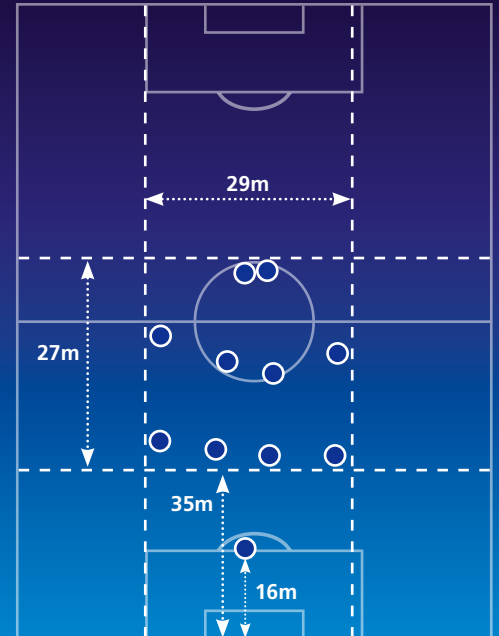


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▼

288
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

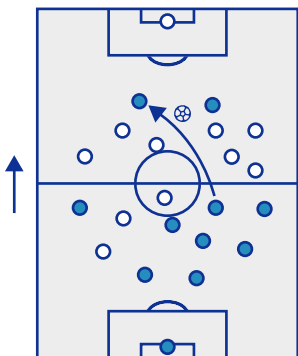


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23
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

76%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

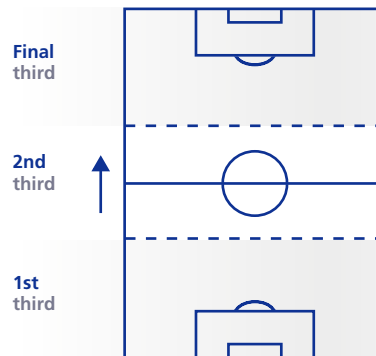
Bypassed opponents



111
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▼

228
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▲

Final-third and penalty-area entries



35
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▲

65
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▲

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▲

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



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NIGERIA / CAF

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
▶ Nigeria 0-1 Germany
- 9 August
▶ Haiti 0-1 Nigeria
- 13 August
▶ China PR 1-1 Nigeria
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 16 August
▶ Spain 2-1 Nigeria
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Christopher Musa (NGA)

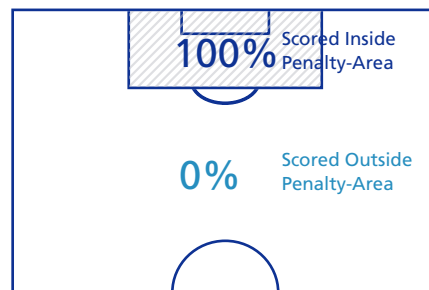
Technical staff
MANSUR Abdullahi (Assistant Coach)
MATHEW Olanrewaju (Assistant Coach)
YUSUF Abdullateef (Assistant Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

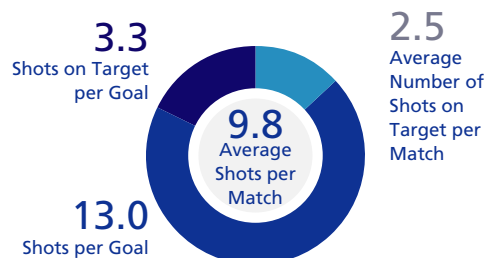
| | NUM | NAME | CLUB (COUNTRY) | MINS | G | A |
|-------------|-----|------------------------|----------------------------|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | OKEKE Onyinyechukwu | Edo Queens FC (NGA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | NNADOZIE Chiamaka | Rivers Angels FC (NGA) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | AKAREKOR Rita | Sunshine Queens FC (NGA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 3 | OGBONNA Glory (C) | Ibom Angels FC (NGA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | MONDAY Gift | FC Robo (NGA) | 168 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | FAMUDITI Oluwakemi (C) | Kogi Confluence FC (NGA) | 91 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | DURU Joy | Nasarawa Amazons FC (NGA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | OLOGBOSERE Mary | Ibom Angels FC (NGA) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | SUNDAY Opeyemi | Sunshine Queens FC (NGA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 18 | EZEKIEL Blessing | Rivers Angels FC (NGA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 2 | SAIKI Mary | Rivers Angels FC (NGA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | UCHEIBE Christy | Capital City Dove FC (NGA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | EFIH Peace | Edo Queens FC (NGA) | 342 | 1 | 0 |
| | 10 | SAHEED Adebisi | FC Robo (NGA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | IGBOAMALU Grace | Nasarawa Amazons FC (NGA) | 145 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | ODUEKE Taibat | Edo Queens FC (NGA) | 31 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 8 | AJIBADE Rasheedat (C) | FC Robo (NGA) | 360 | 1 | 0 |
| | 11 | AMOO Bashirat | Confluence Queens FC (NGA) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | IMO Anam | Nasarawa Amazons FC (NGA) | 265 | 0 | 0 |
| | 17 | OKEKE Chidinma | FC Robo (NGA) | 360 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | BELLO Aishat | Nasarawa Amazons FC (NGA) | 128 | 0 | 0 |

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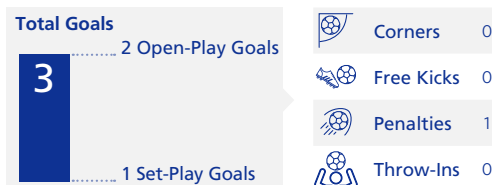
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

44%



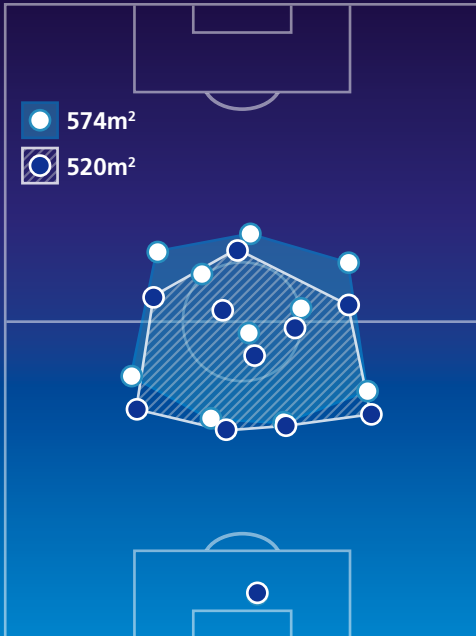
NIGERIA / CAF

Team shape data explanation

Team positional insights

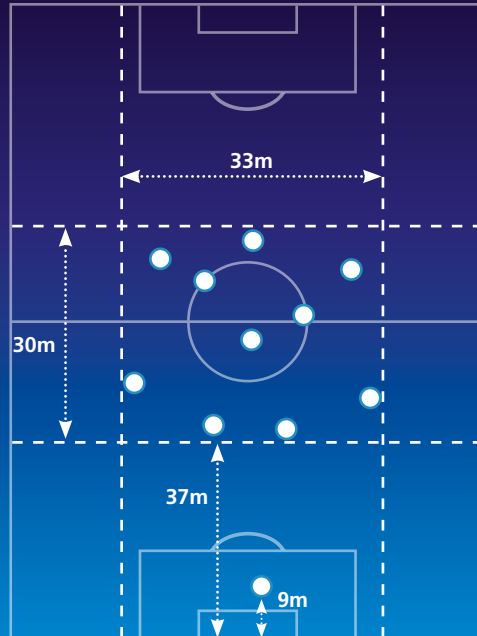
Team compactness in & out of possession

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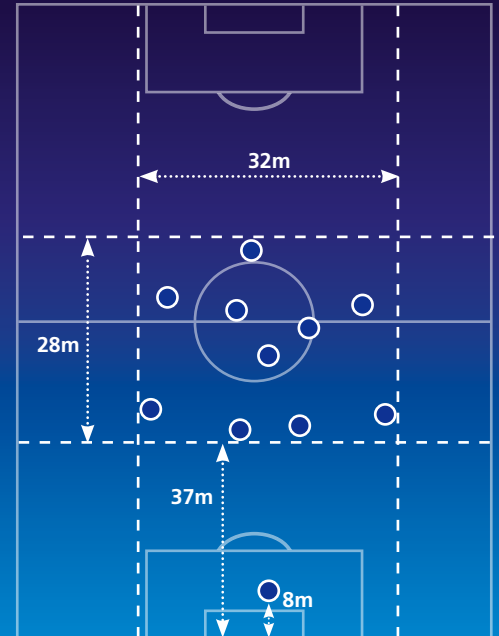


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▼

360
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

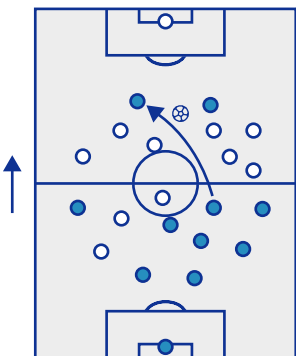


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19 Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

47% Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

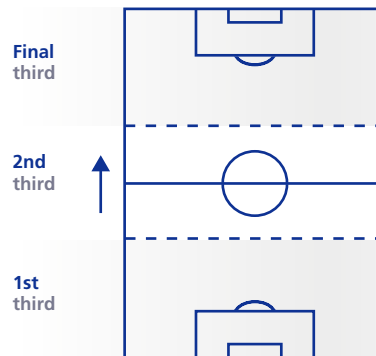
Bypassed opponents



108
Average bypassed opponents
Tournament average 155 ▼

168
Suffered bypasses
Tournament average 155 ▲

Final-third and penalty-area entries



29
Average penalty-area entries
Tournament average 30 ▼

54
Average final-third entries
Tournament average 58 ▼

Total distance covered



Tournament average 108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



PARAGUAY / CONMEBOL

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2014 - Group Stage

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
▶ Paraguay 1-4 Spain
- 9 August
▶ USA 6-0 Paraguay
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- QUARTER-FINAL**
- SEMI-FINAL**
- FINAL**



Head coach
Epifania Benítez (PAR)

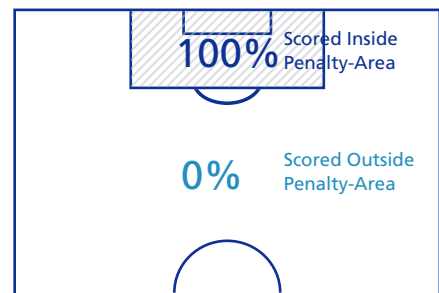
Technical staff
ALMADA Tito (Assistant Coach)
BAEZ Mirian (Assistant Coach)
BLANCO Mirtha (Goalkeeper Coach)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

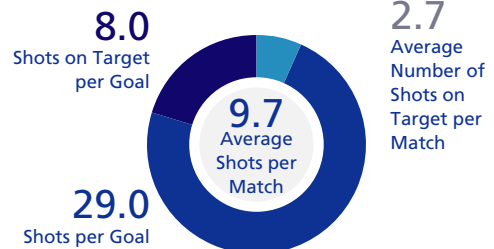
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|-------------|-----------------|--------------------|--|------|---|---|
| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | SALAS Heidi | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 12 | ORTIZ Isabel | Humaitá FBC (PAR) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | FRANCO Jessica | Club Sportivo Luqueno (PAR) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | VECCA Maria | CD Capiatá (PAR) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | ALONSO Lorena (C) | Universidad Autonoma de Asuncion (PAR) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | OJEDA Deisy | Club Olimpia (PAR) | 91 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | FRETES Limpia | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 211 | 0 | 1 |
| | 14 | VILLASANTI Natalia | Universidad Autonoma de Asuncion (PAR) | 248 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 18 | BAREIRO Daysy | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | SOSA Ruth | Universidad Autonoma de Asuncion (PAR) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | GONZALEZ Camila | CD Capiatá (PAR) | 118 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | MINO Rosa | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 185 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | GODOY Fanny (C) | CD Capiatá (PAR) | 120 | 0 | 0 |
| | 11 | CHAMORRO Lice | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 192 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | MARTINEZ Graciela | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 17 | BOGARIN Dahiana | Club Cerro Porteno (PAR) | 154 | 0 | 0 |
| | 19 | AGUILERA Celeste | Humaitá FBC (PAR) | 156 | 0 | 0 |
| | 9 | SANDOVAL Fabiola | Club Sportivo Luqueno (PAR) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 10 | MARTINEZ Jessica | Santos FC (BRA) | 270 | 1 | 0 |
| | 13 | AVILA Bianka | 12 de Octubre FC (PAR) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 16 | SANCHEZ Jessica | Club Olimpia (PAR) | 123 | 0 | 0 | |

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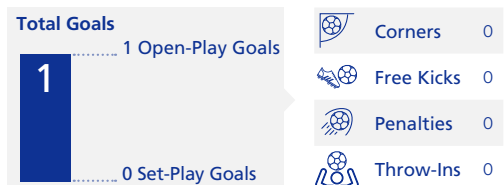
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

38%



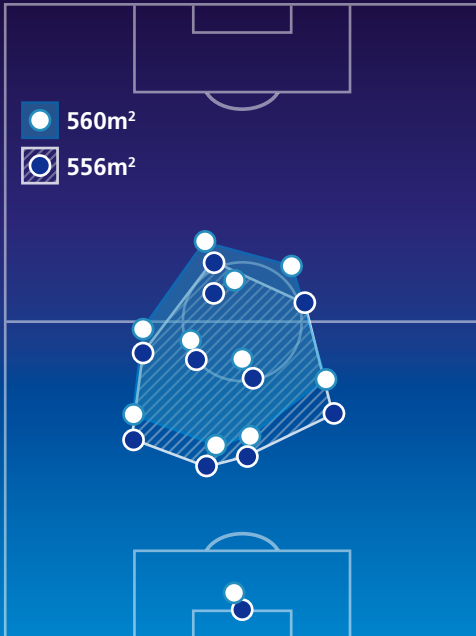
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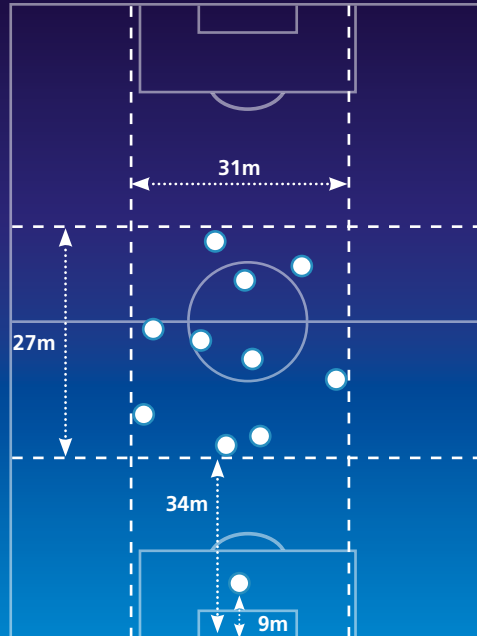
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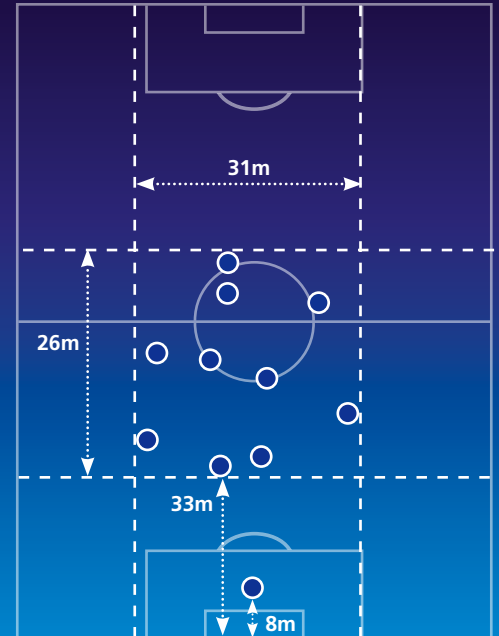


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- In possession
- Deepest defender



- Out of possession
- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▼

261
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▼

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

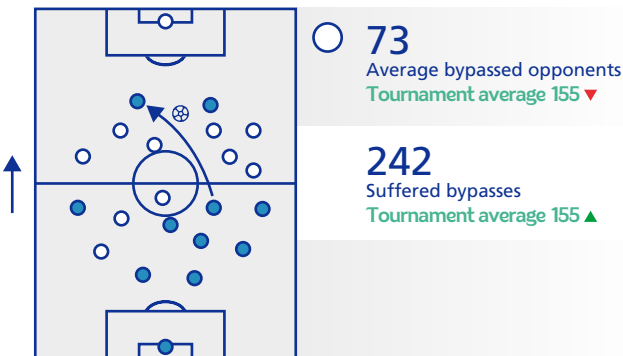


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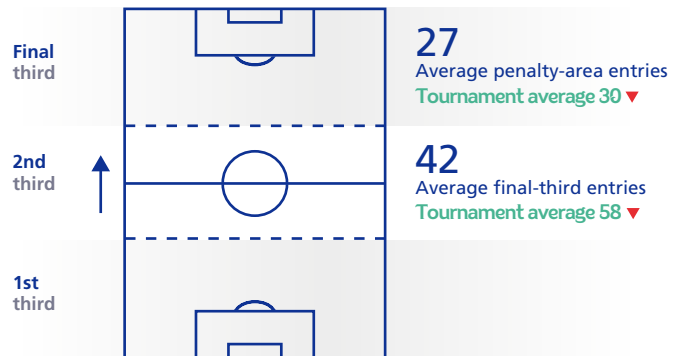
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Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▼

17%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



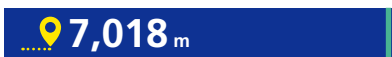
Tournament average 108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average 117 ▲

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average 6,971 m ▲

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average 1,984 m ▲



SPAIN / UEFA

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2016 - Quarter-Finals

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
▶ Paraguay 1-4 Spain
- 9 August
▶ Spain 1-0 Japan
- 13 August
▶ Spain 2-2 USA
- QUARTER-FINAL**
- 16 August
▶ Spain 2-1 Nigeria
- SEMI-FINAL**
- 20 August
▶ France 0-1 Spain
- FINAL**
- 24 August
▶ Spain 1-3 Japan



Head coach
Pedro López (ESP)

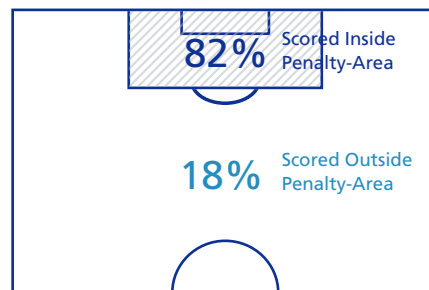
Technical staff
IS Maria (Assistant Coach)
LOPEZ VALLEJO Javier (Goalkeeper Coach)
VELAZQUEZ Javier (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

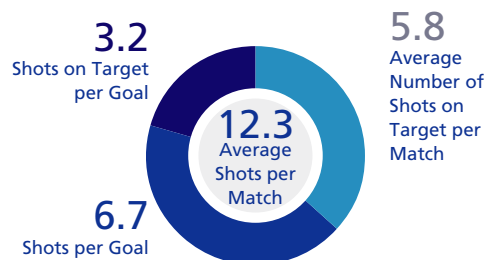
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| GOALKEEPERS | 1 | RODRIGUEZ Maria Isabel | Atletico Madrid Femenas (ESP) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | RAMOS Noelia | Levante UD (ESP) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | COLL Catalina | UD Collerense (ESP) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 2 | BATLLE Ona | Madrid CFF (ESP) | 85 | 0 | 0 |
| | 3 | PUJADAS Berta | RCD Espanyol (ESP) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | ALEIXANDRI Laia | Atletico Madrid Femenas (ESP) | 461 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | SIERRA Andrea | Athletic Bilbao (ESP) | 35 | 0 | 0 |
| | 11 | MENAYO Carmen | Atletico Madrid Femenas (ESP) | 529 | 1 | 0 |
| | 12 | RODRIGUEZ Lucia | CD Tacón (ESP) | 418 | 0 | 2 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 19 | SANCHO Paula | Valencia Femenas CF (ESP) | 22 | 0 | 0 |
| | 6 | EGURROLA Damaris | Athletic Bilbao (ESP) | 540 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | GUIJARRO Patricia (C) | FC Barcelona (ESP) | 540 | 6 | 3 |
| | 9 | FERNANDEZ Paula | Malaga CF (ESP) | 39 | 0 | 0 |
| | 10 | OROZ Maite (C) | Athletic Bilbao (ESP) | 390 | 0 | 0 |
| | 14 | BONMATI Aitana (C) | FC Barcelona (ESP) | 429 | 1 | 1 |
| FORWARDS | 16 | RUBIO Silvia | Madrid CFF (ESP) | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | NAVARRRO Eva | Sporting Plaza de Argel (ESP) | 367 | 0 | 1 |
| | 7 | RABANO Nuria | RC Deportivo (ESP) | 31 | 0 | 0 |
| | 15 | ANDUJAR Candela | FC Barcelona (ESP) | 375 | 1 | 0 |
| | 17 | GARCIA Lucia | Athletic Bilbao (ESP) | 149 | 1 | 0 |
| | 20 | PINA Claudia | FC Barcelona (ESP) | 427 | 1 | 0 |

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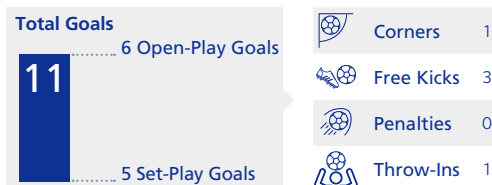
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

61%



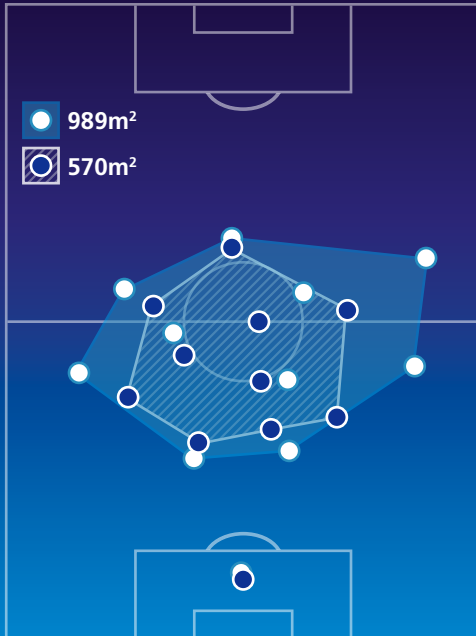
SPAIN / UEFA

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Team positional insights

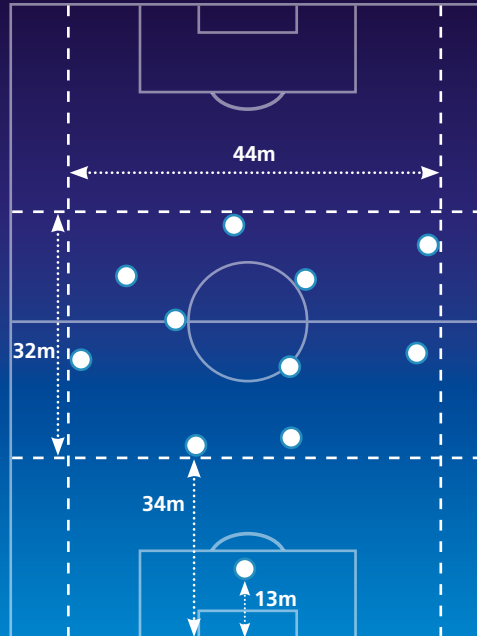
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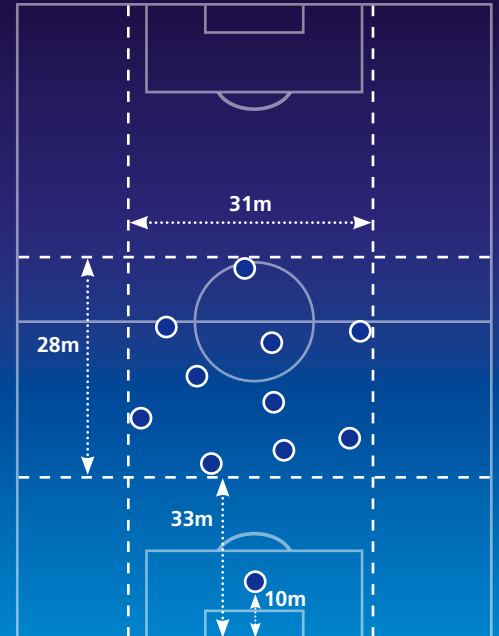


Team width, team length, deepest defender & goalkeeper height

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- Deepest defender



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Team passes and accuracy



Pass accuracy
Tournament average 73% ▲

572
Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 ▲

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

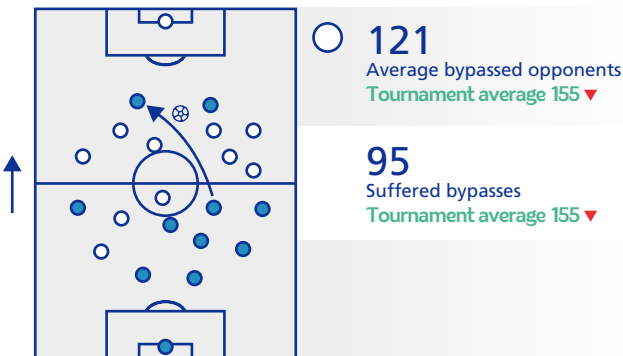


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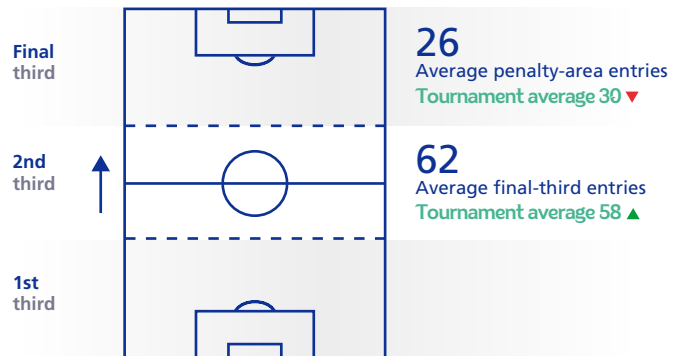
37
Average number of passes
Tournament average 27 ▲

78%
Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▲

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



Tournament average
108,9 km ▼

Number of activities >23km/h



Tournament average
117 ▼

Distance covered above 19km/h



Tournament average
6,971 m ▼

Distance covered above 23km/h



Tournament average
1,984 m ▼



USA / CONCACAF

Previous FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Performance
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FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018

- ▶ **GROUP STAGE**
- 6 August
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Head coach
Jitka Klimkova (CZE)

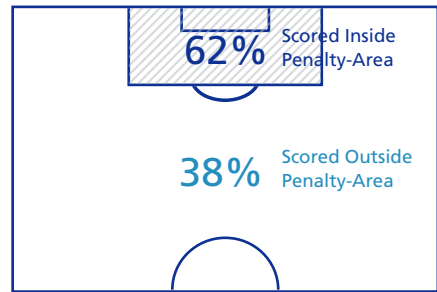
Technical staff
FRIAS Jaime (Assistant Coach)
SARVER Keri (Assistant Coach)
JOYCE Ian (Goalkeeper Coach)
HAYS Donna (Physical Trainer)
JONES Barrett (Physical Trainer)

FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup 2018 Squad

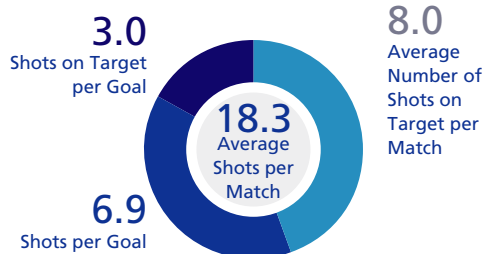
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|-------------|--------------|-------------------------------|---|------|---|---|
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| | 12 | McGLYNN Amanda | Virginia Tech University (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 21 | ANDERSON Angelina | Mustang Academy (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| DEFENDERS | 3 | McKEOWN Tara | University of Southern California (USA) | 90 | 0 | 0 |
| | 4 | GIRMA Naomi | California Thorns Academy (USA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 5 | MORSE Zoe | University Virginia (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 13 | PICKETT Kiara | Stanford University (USA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| MIDFIELDERS | 14 | RODRIGUEZ Isabel | Ohio State University (USA) | 157 | 0 | 0 |
| | 16 | HIATT Samantha (C) | Stanford University (USA) | 270 | 0 | 0 |
| | 20 | FOX Emily | University of North Carolina (USA) | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| | 8 | PINTO Brianna | Tophat SC (USA) | 77 | 0 | 0 |
| FORWARDS | 10 | DEMELO Savannah | Beach FC (USA) | 253 | 4 | 0 |
| | 11 | VILLACORTA Viviana | UCLA (USA) | 270 | 0 | 1 |
| | 15 | TORRES Taryn | University Virginia (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| | 18 | HOWELL Jaelin | Real Colorado (USA) | 239 | 0 | 0 |
| | 2 | SANCHEZ Ashley | UCLA (USA) | 170 | 1 | 0 |
| | 6 | HOCKING Penelope | So Cal Blues SC (USA) | 34 | 0 | 0 |
| | 7 | SPAANSTRA Alexa | University Virginia (USA) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 9 | SMITH Sophia | Real Colorado (USA) | 253 | 3 | 1 | |
| 17 | KIM Abigail | UC Berkeley (USA) | 100 | 0 | 1 | |
| 19 | GILROY Erin | University of Tennessee (USA) | 241 | 0 | 1 | |

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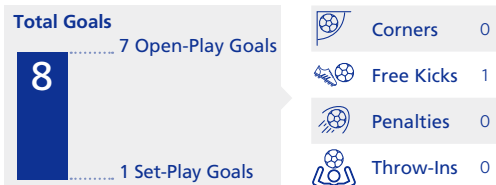
Goal location



Shots



Goals scored (including own goals)



Average possession

53%



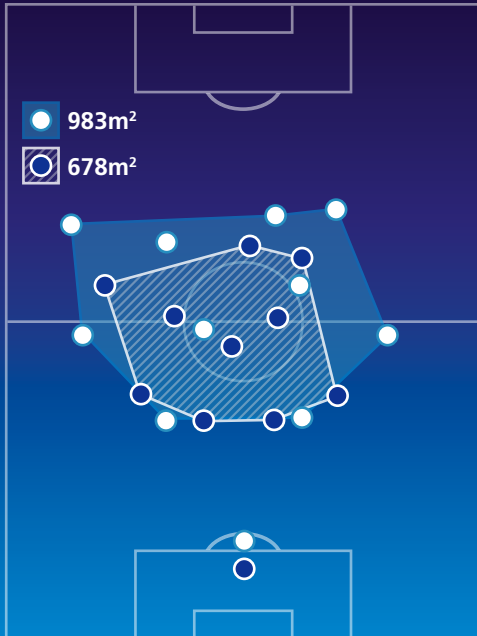
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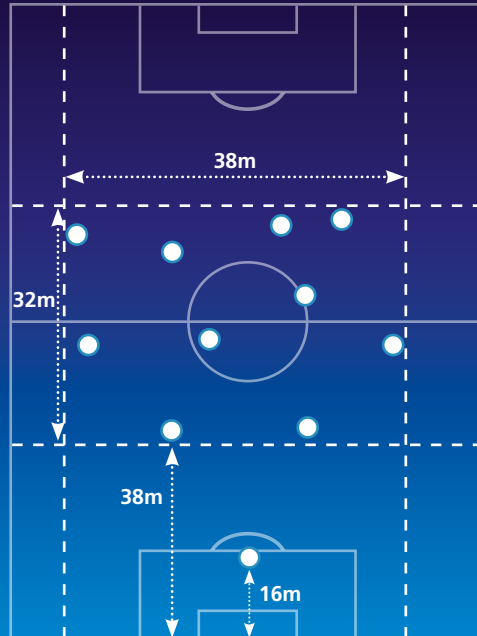
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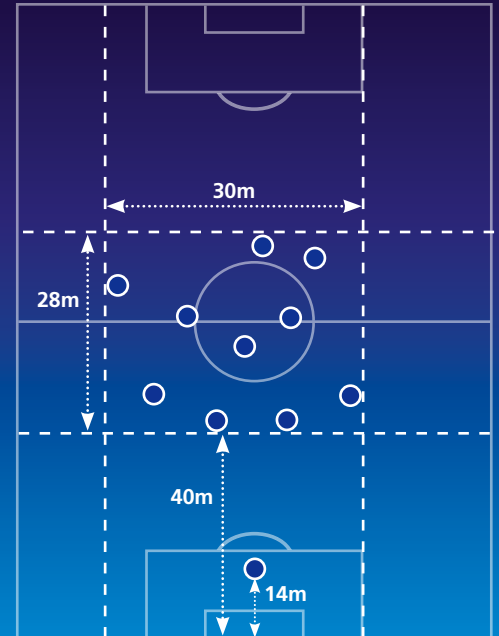


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- Deepest defender



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Tournament average 73% ▼

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Total average number of passes
Tournament average 456 -

Goalkeeper passes, length and success %

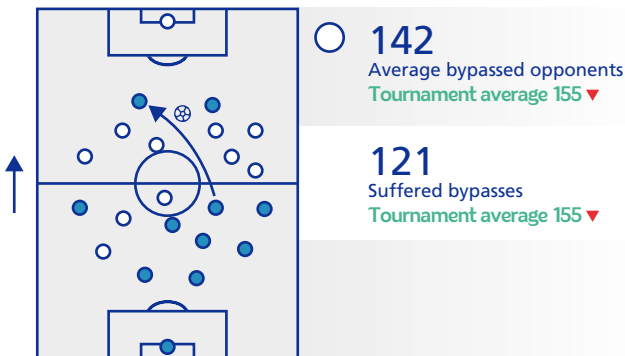


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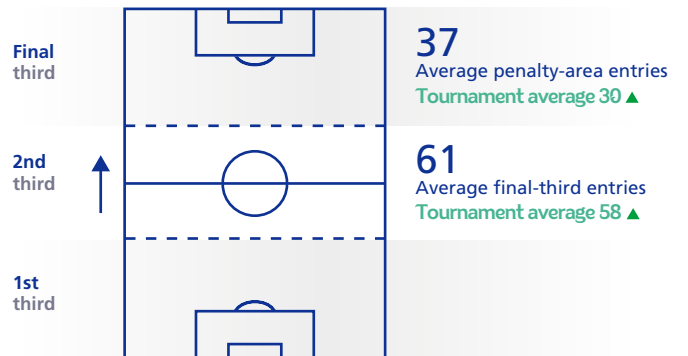
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Passing success
Tournament average 68% ▼

Bypassed opponents



Final-third and penalty-area entries



Total distance covered



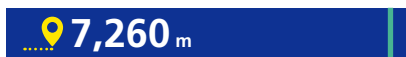
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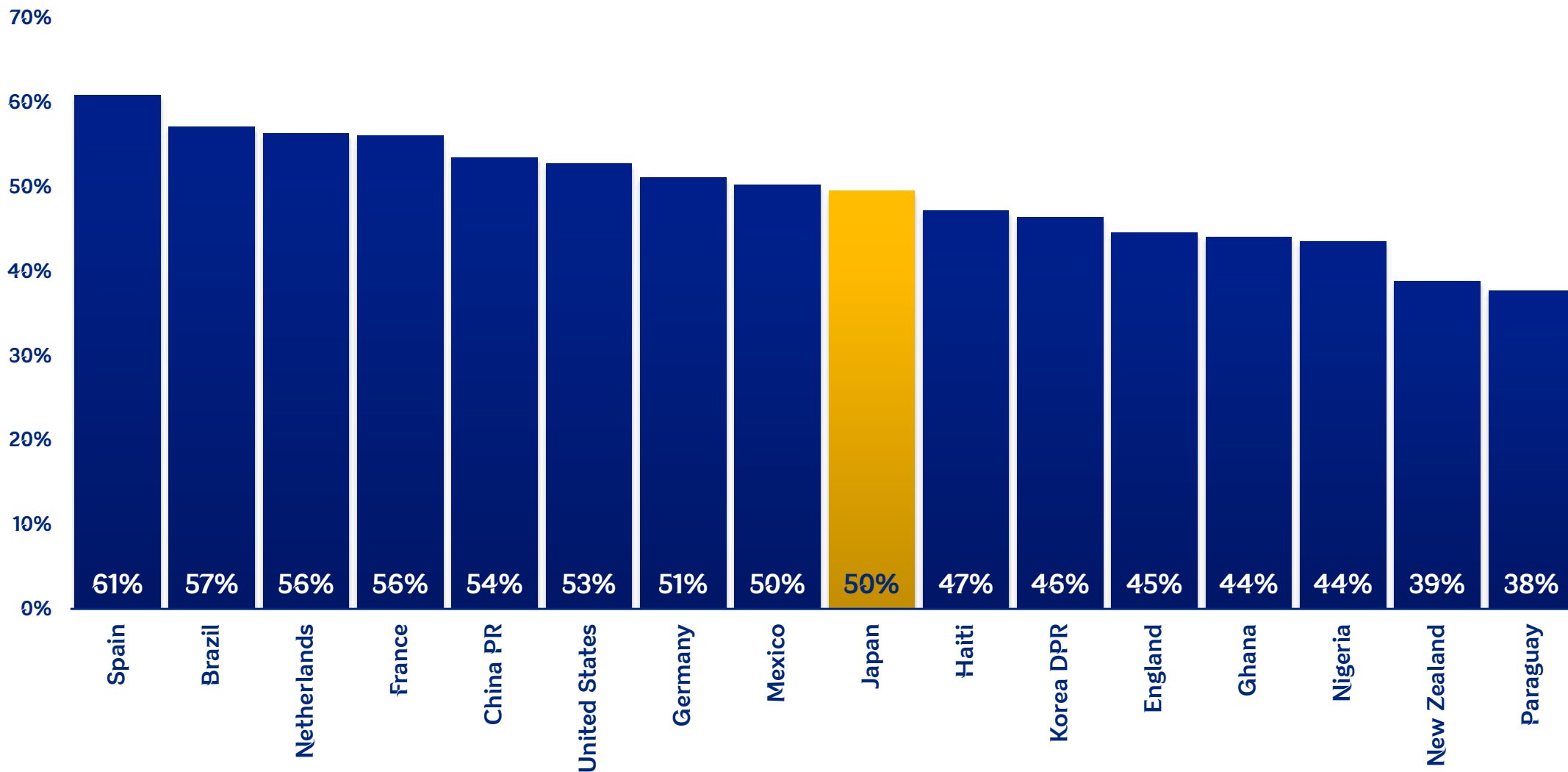
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PERFORMANCE INSIGHTS



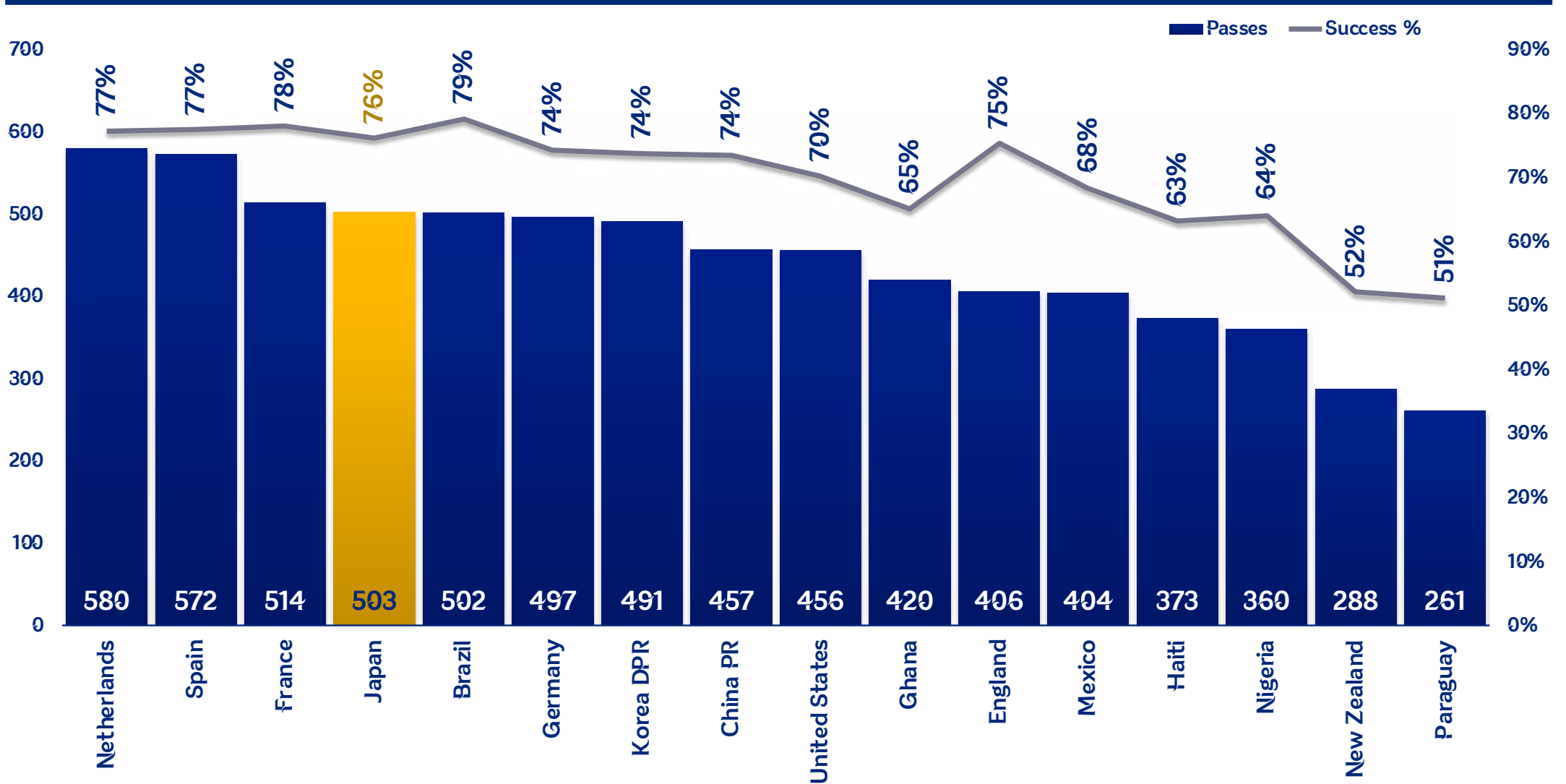
Possession %

 FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



Average passes and success %

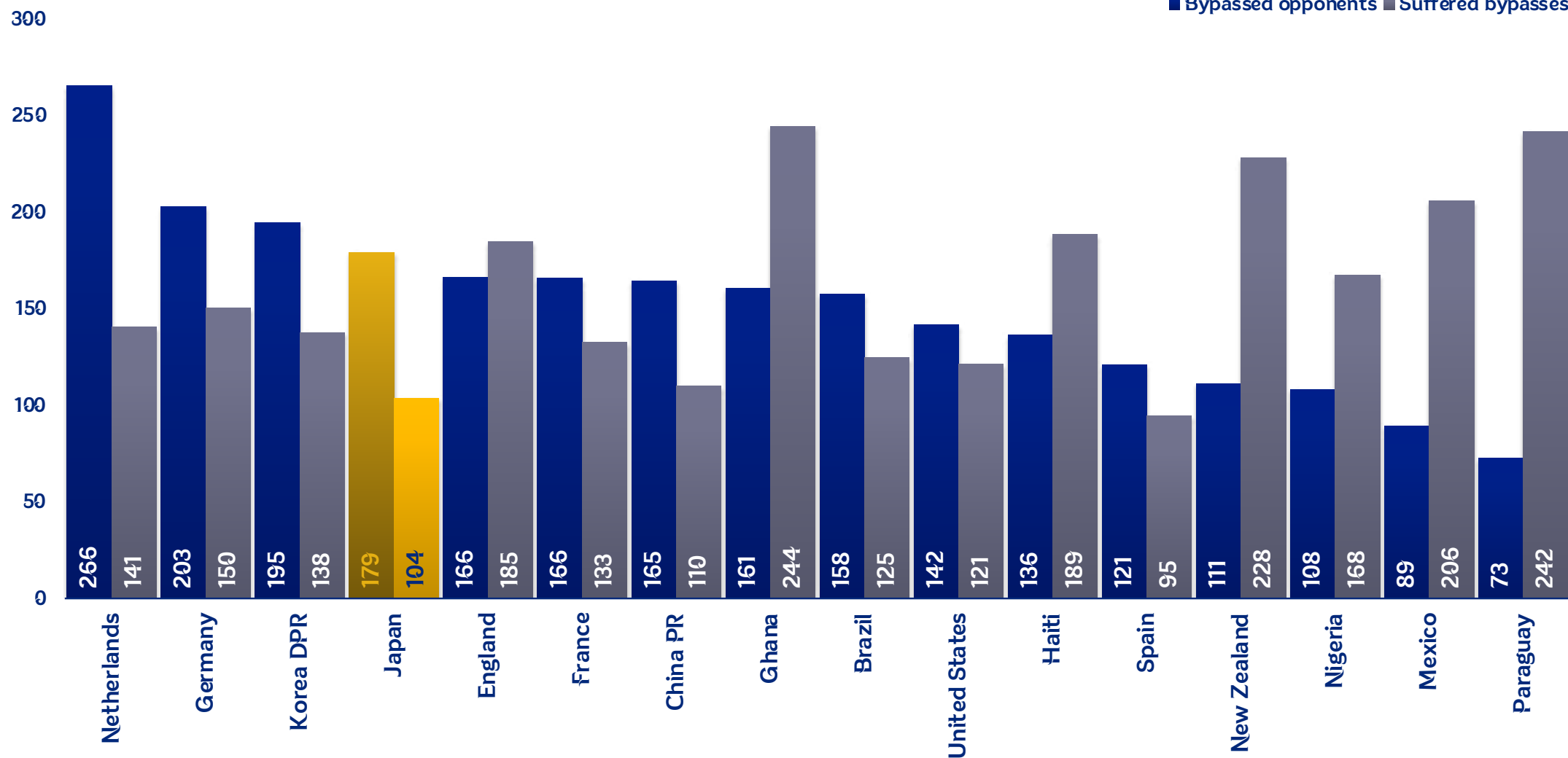
Tournament average passes 456
 Tournament average passing success 73%
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



Average bypassed/suffered bypasses

Tournament average 155

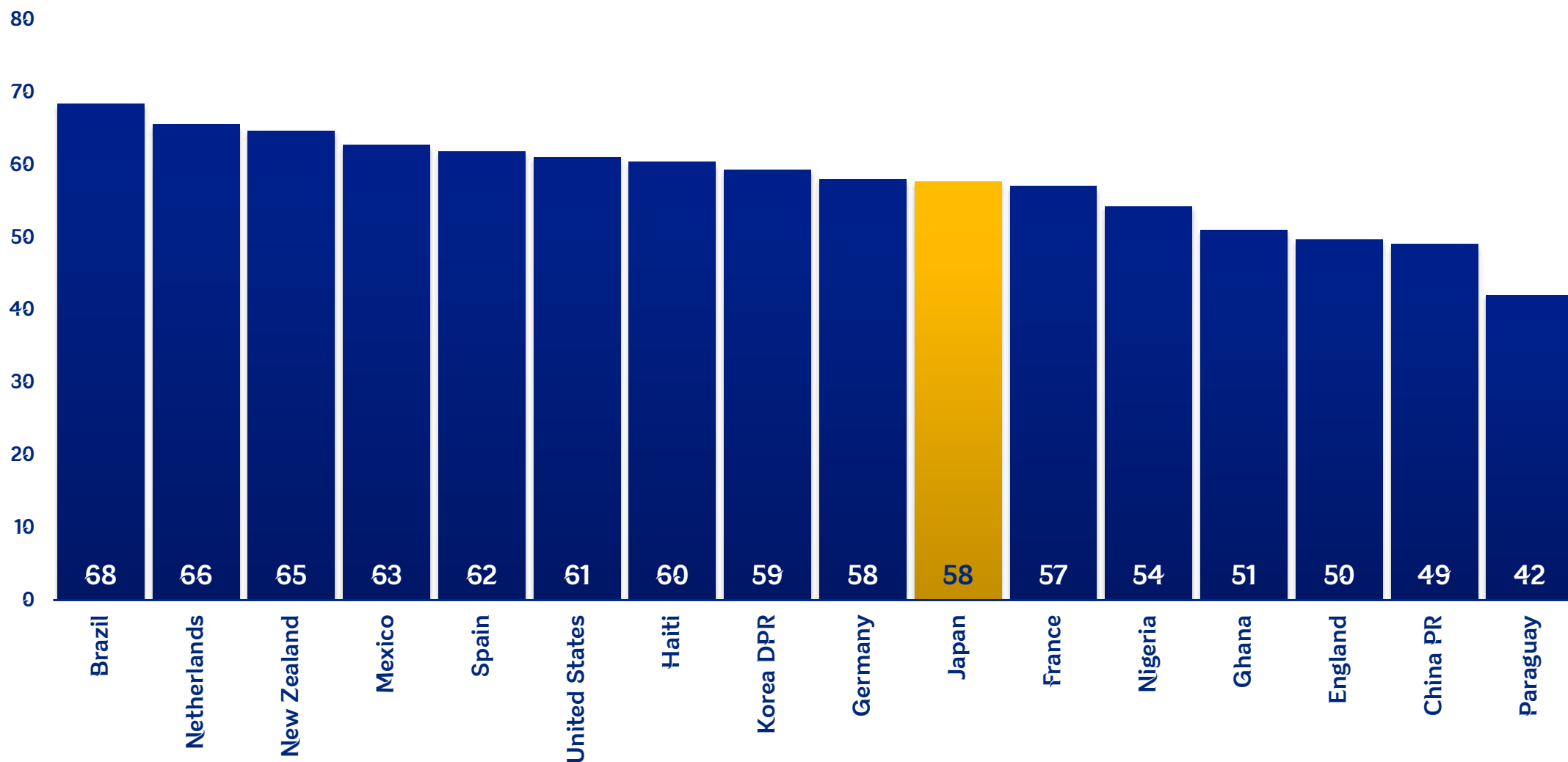
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner

■ Bypassed opponents ■ Suffered bypasses


Average final third entries

Tournament average 58

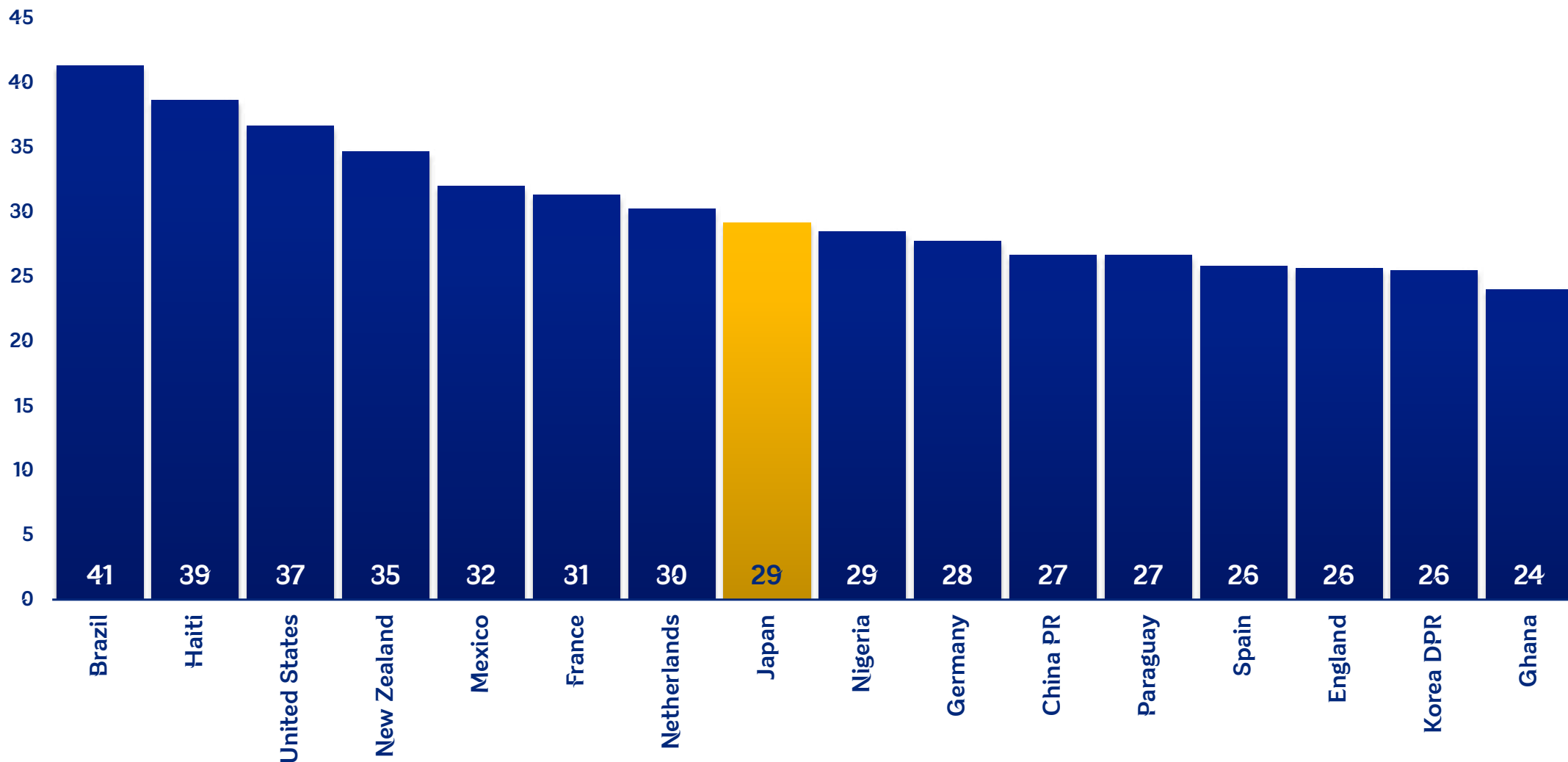
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Average penalty area entries

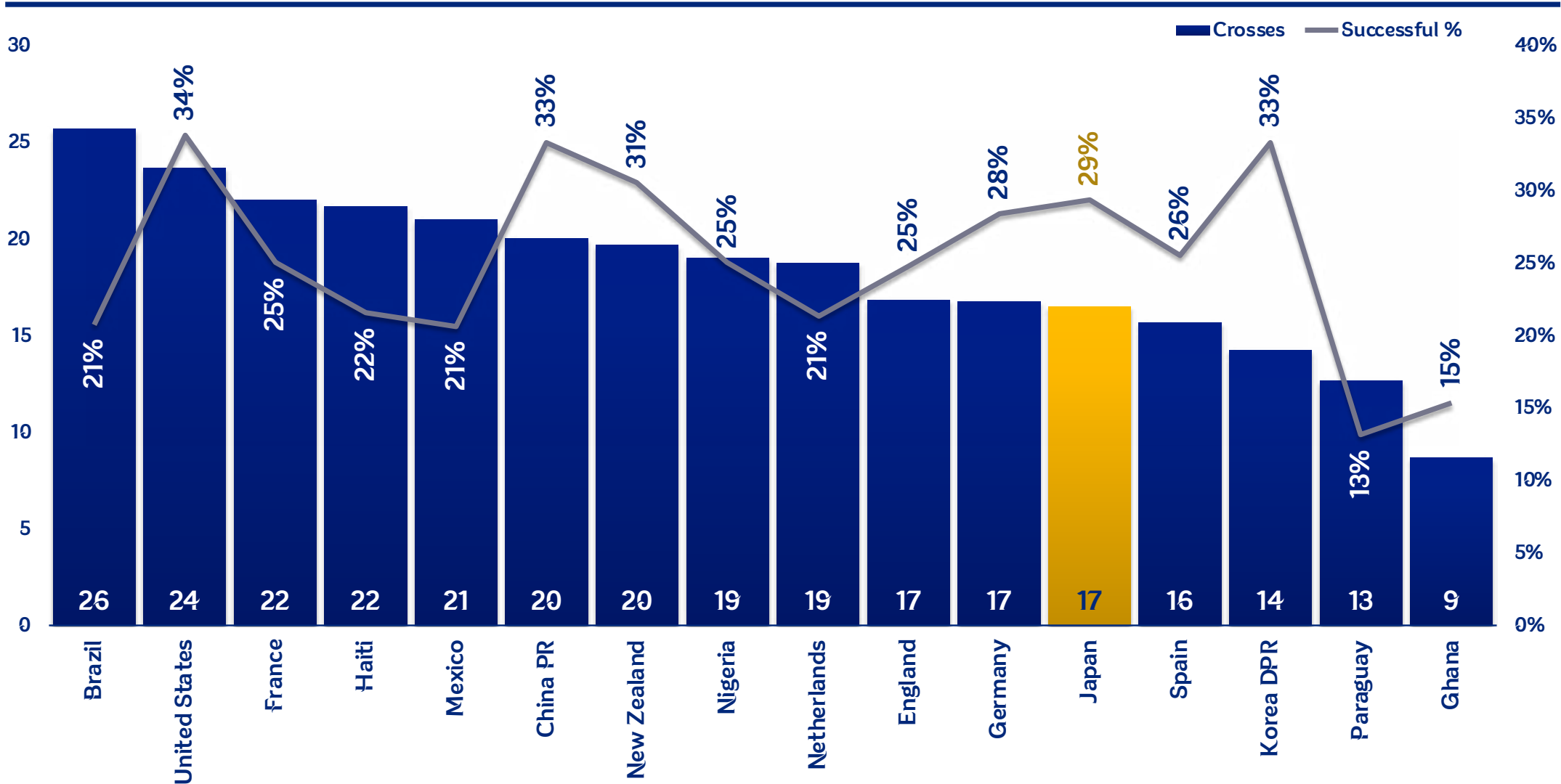
Tournament average 30

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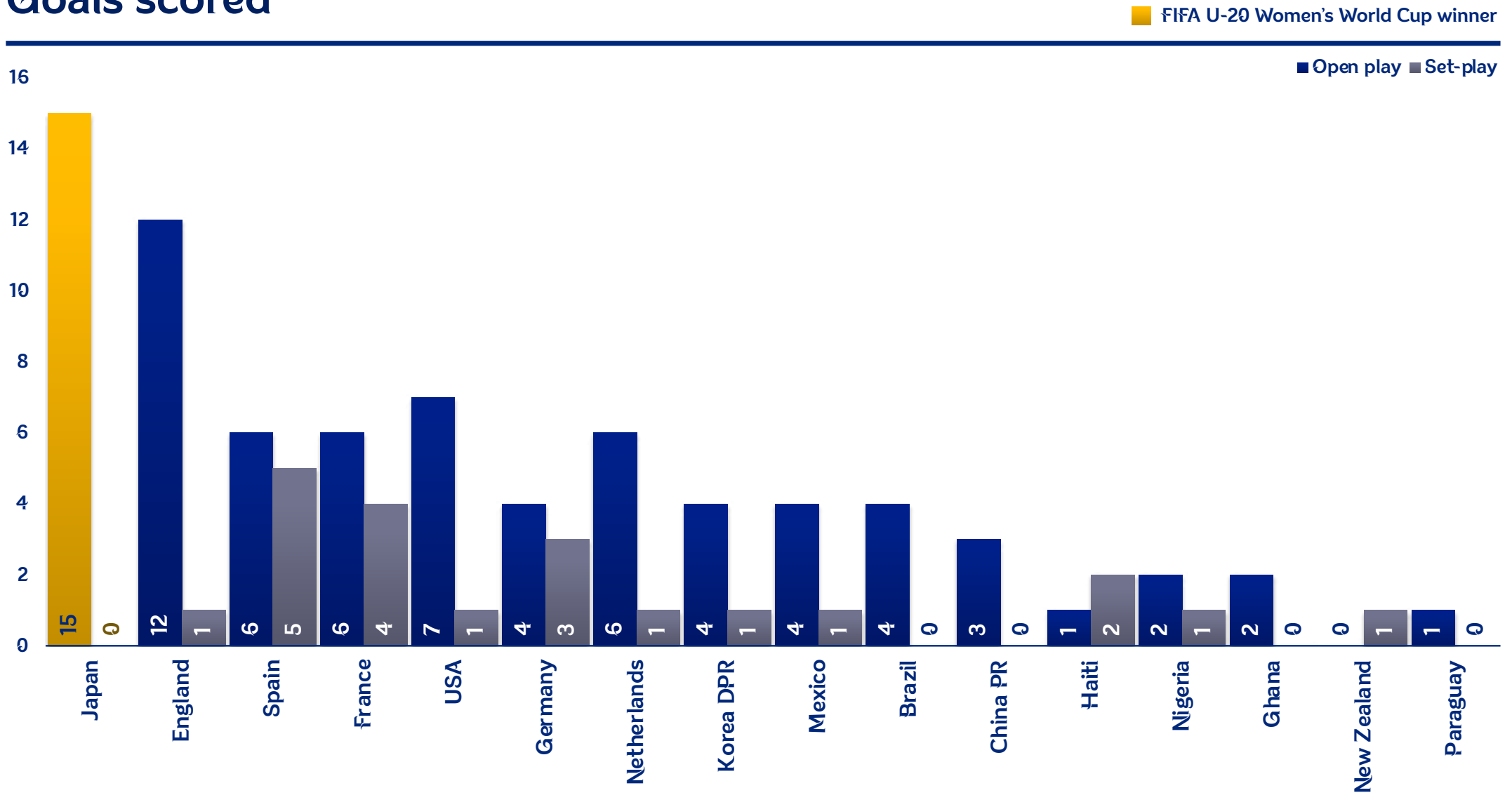


Average crosses and success %

Tournament average crosses 18
 Tournament average crossing success 26%
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



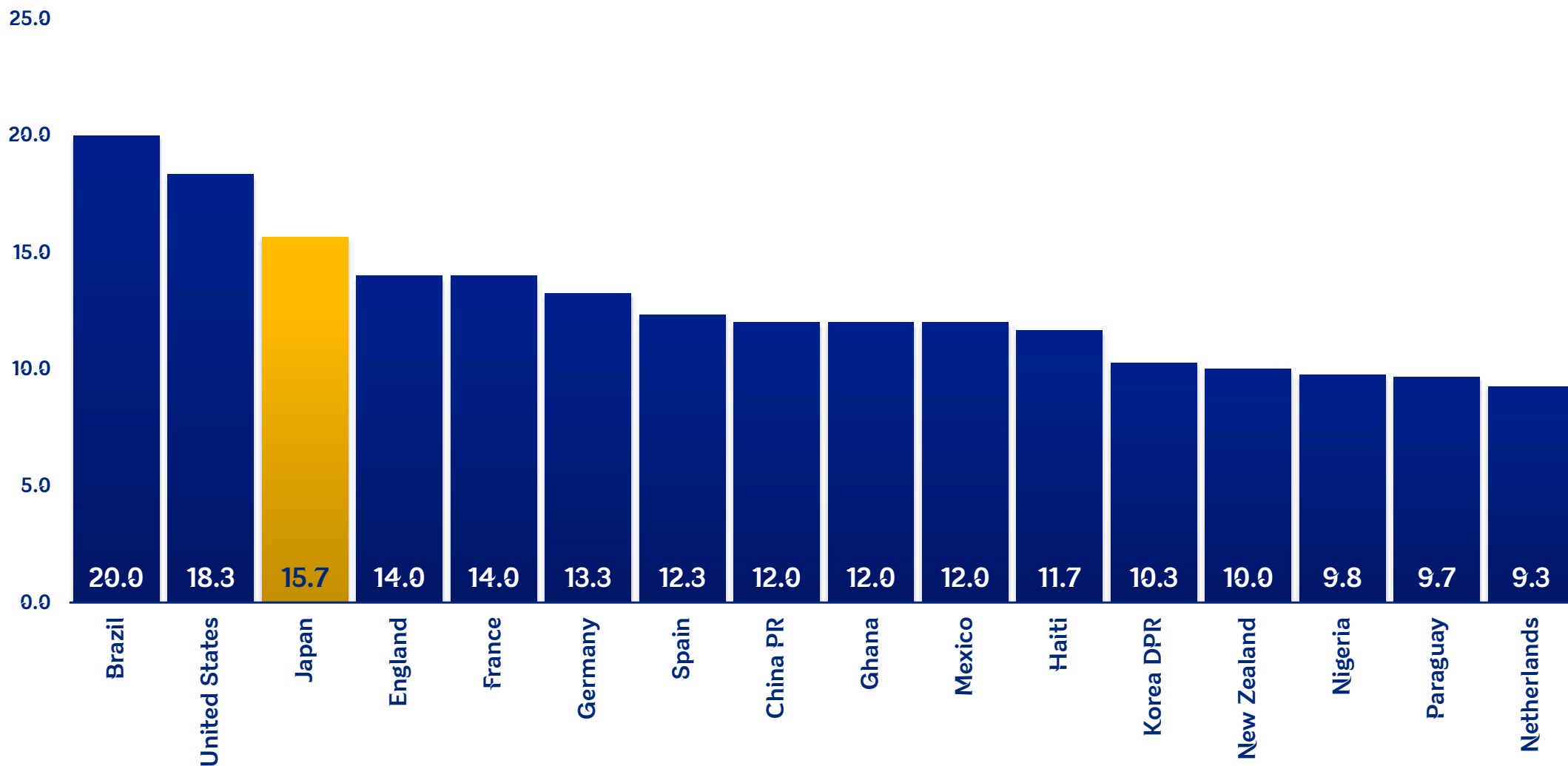
Goals scored



Average shots per match

Tournament average 12.9

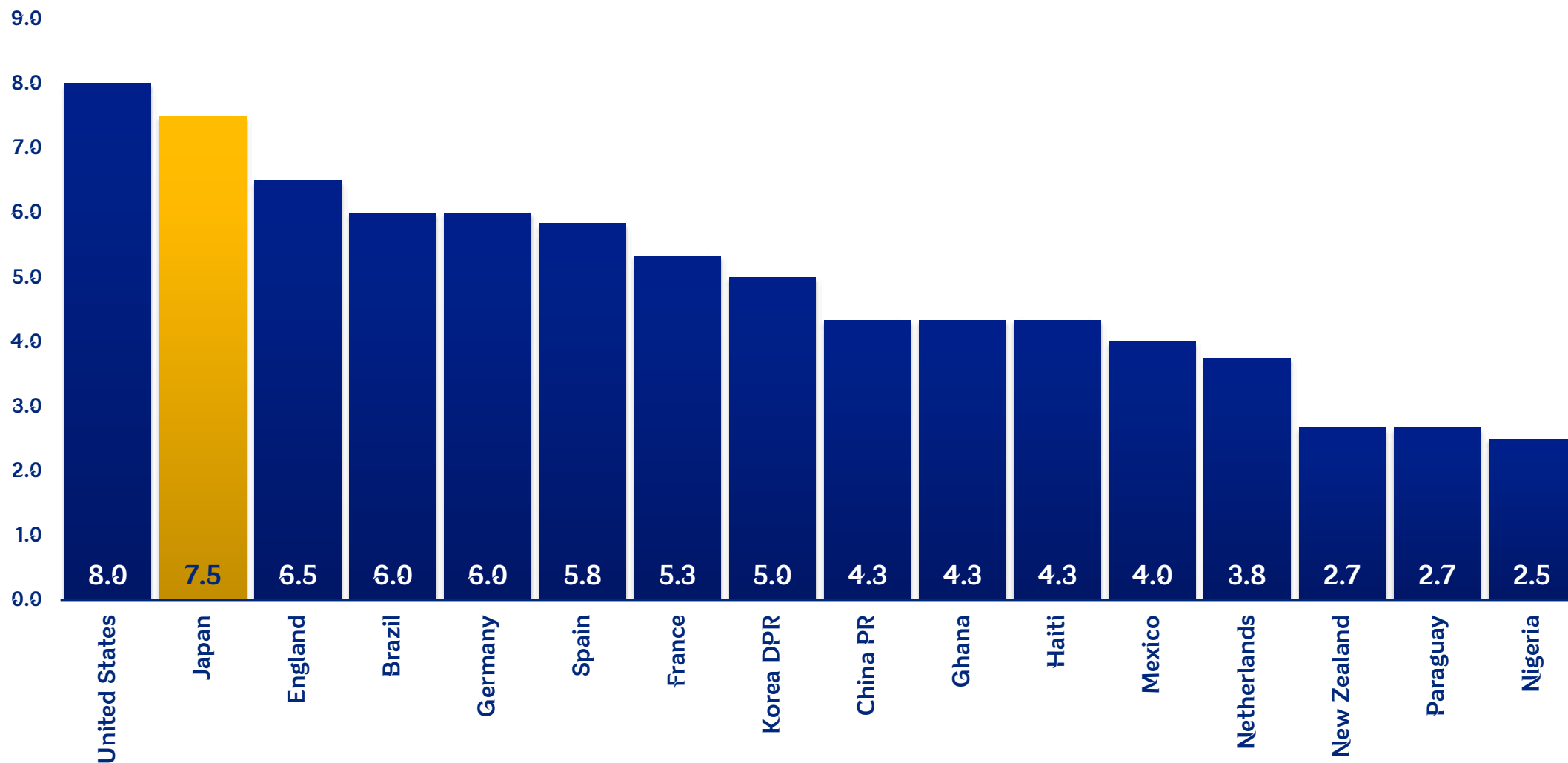
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Average shots on target per match

Tournament average 4.9

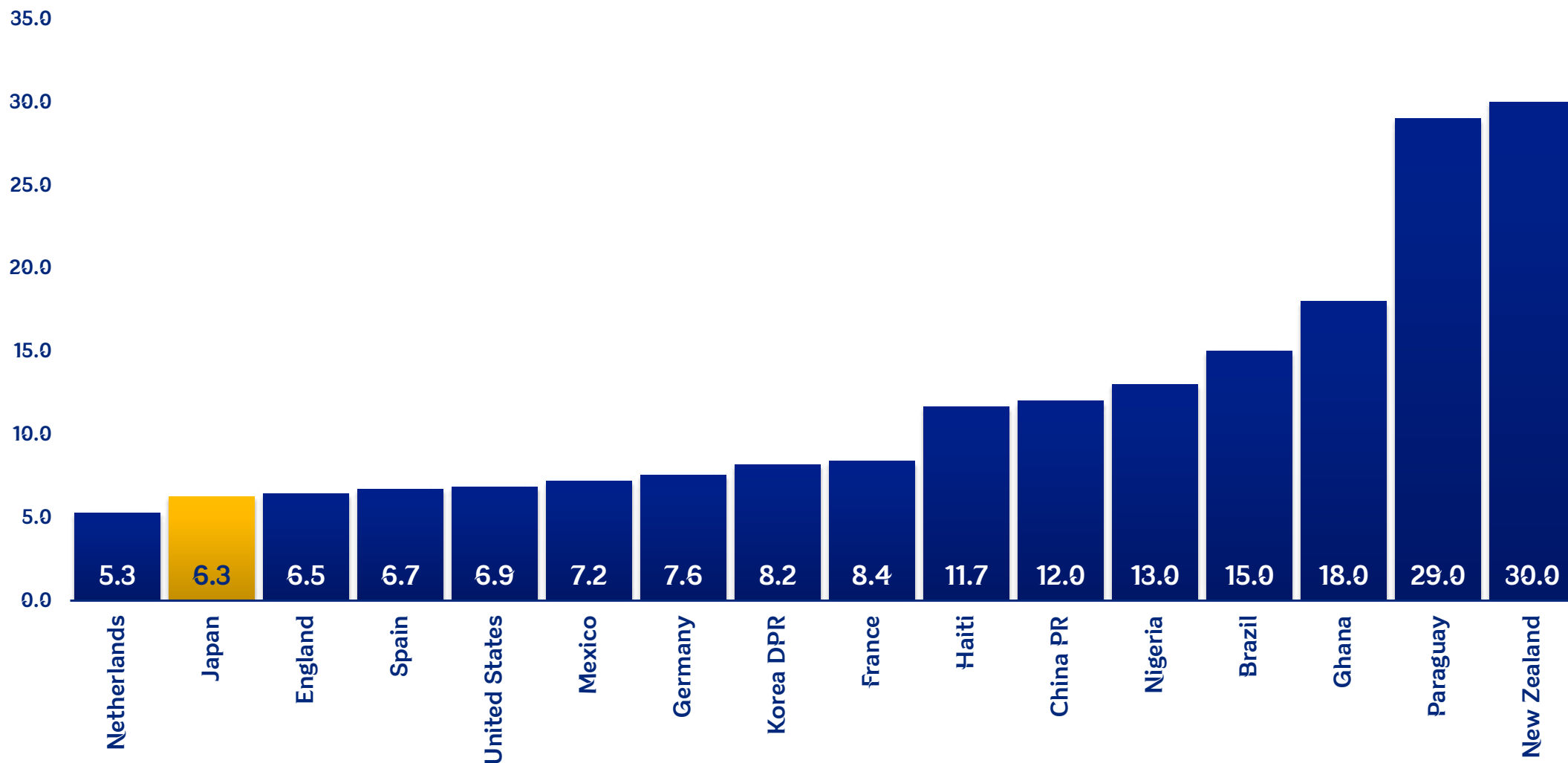
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Average shots per goal

Tournament average 12.0

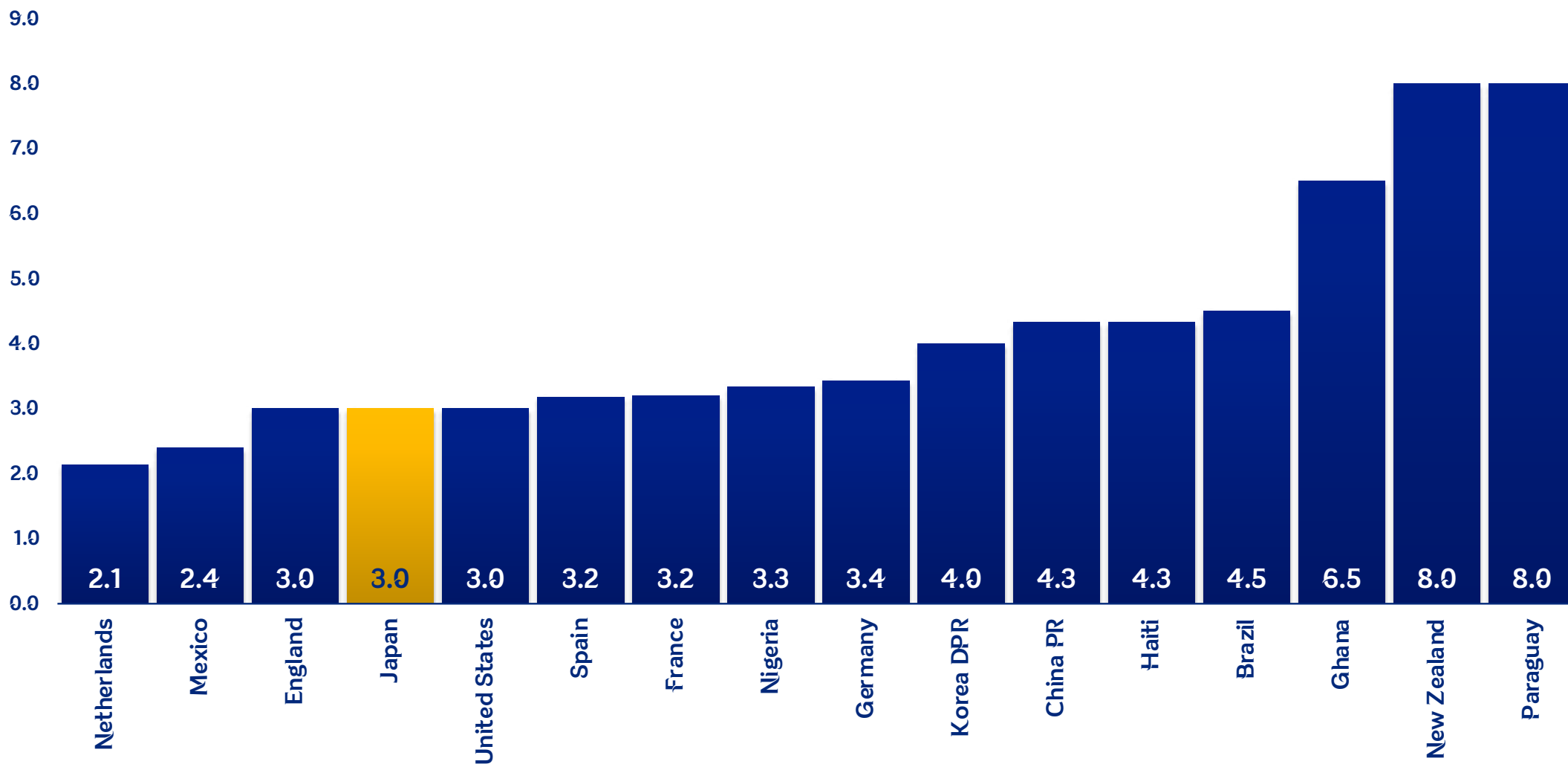
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



Average shots on target per goal

Tournament average 4.1

■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner

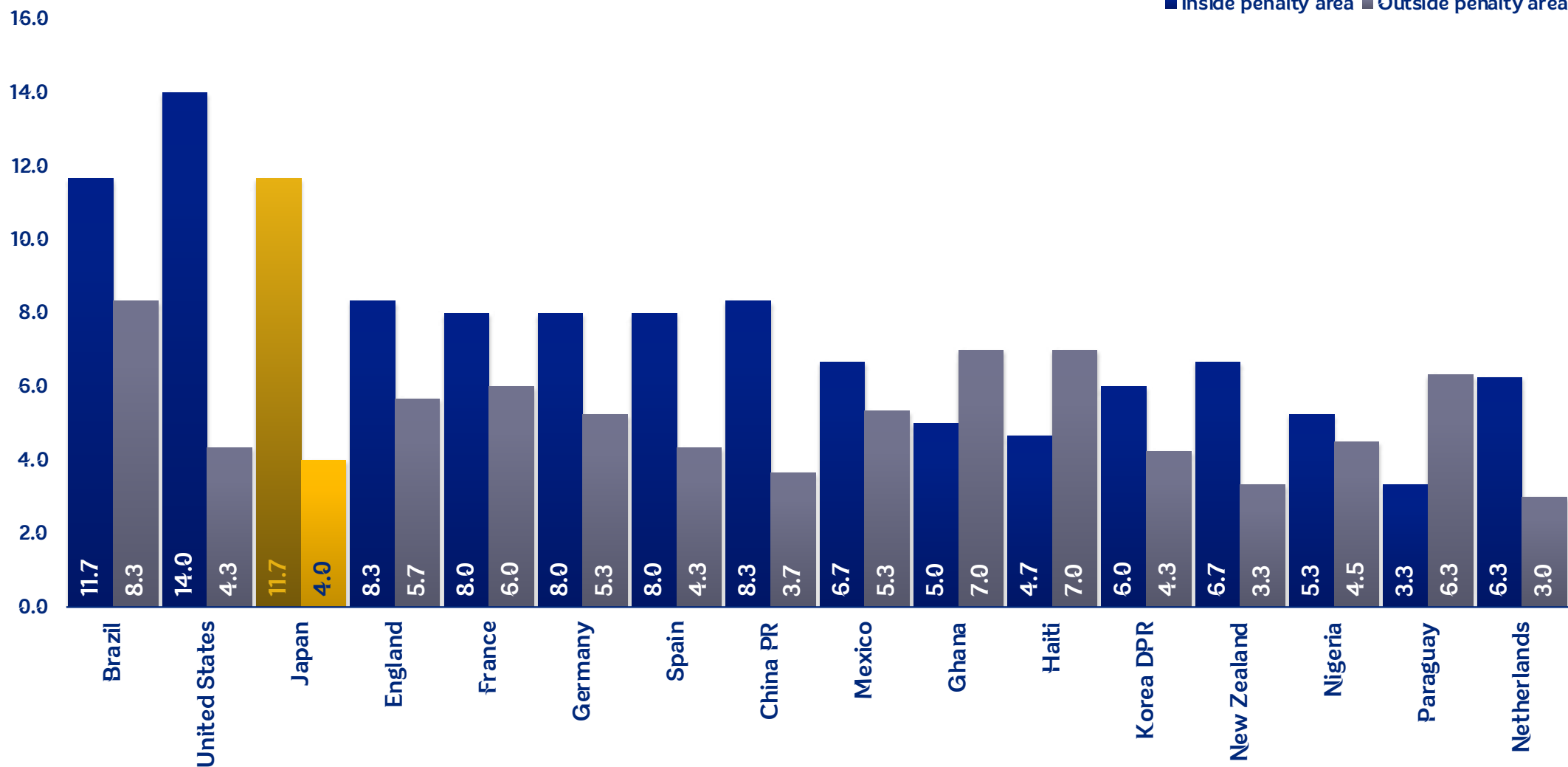


Shots inside/outside area

Tournament average inside penalty box 7.8
Tournament average outside penalty box 5.1

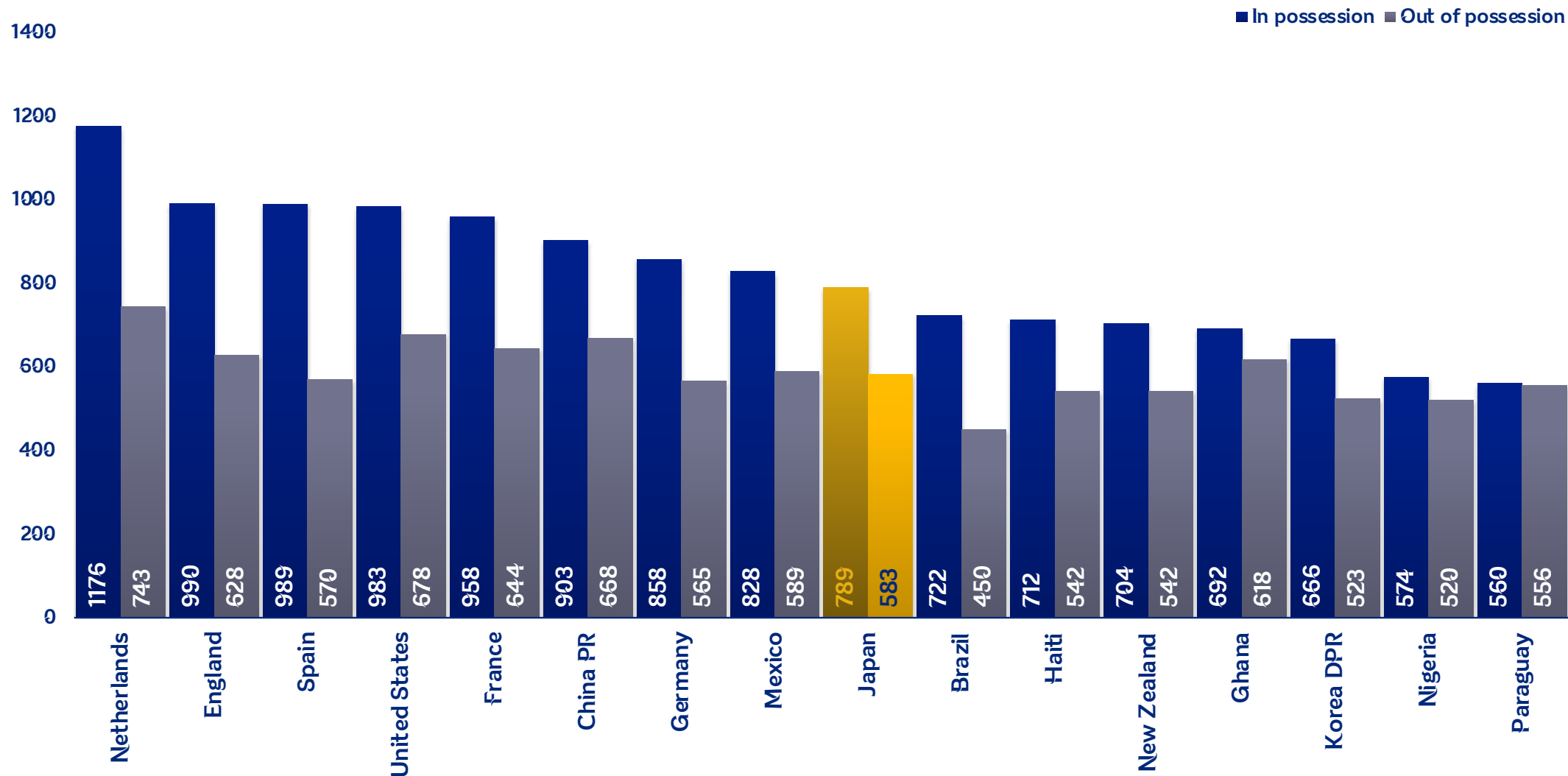
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■ Inside penalty area ■ Outside penalty area



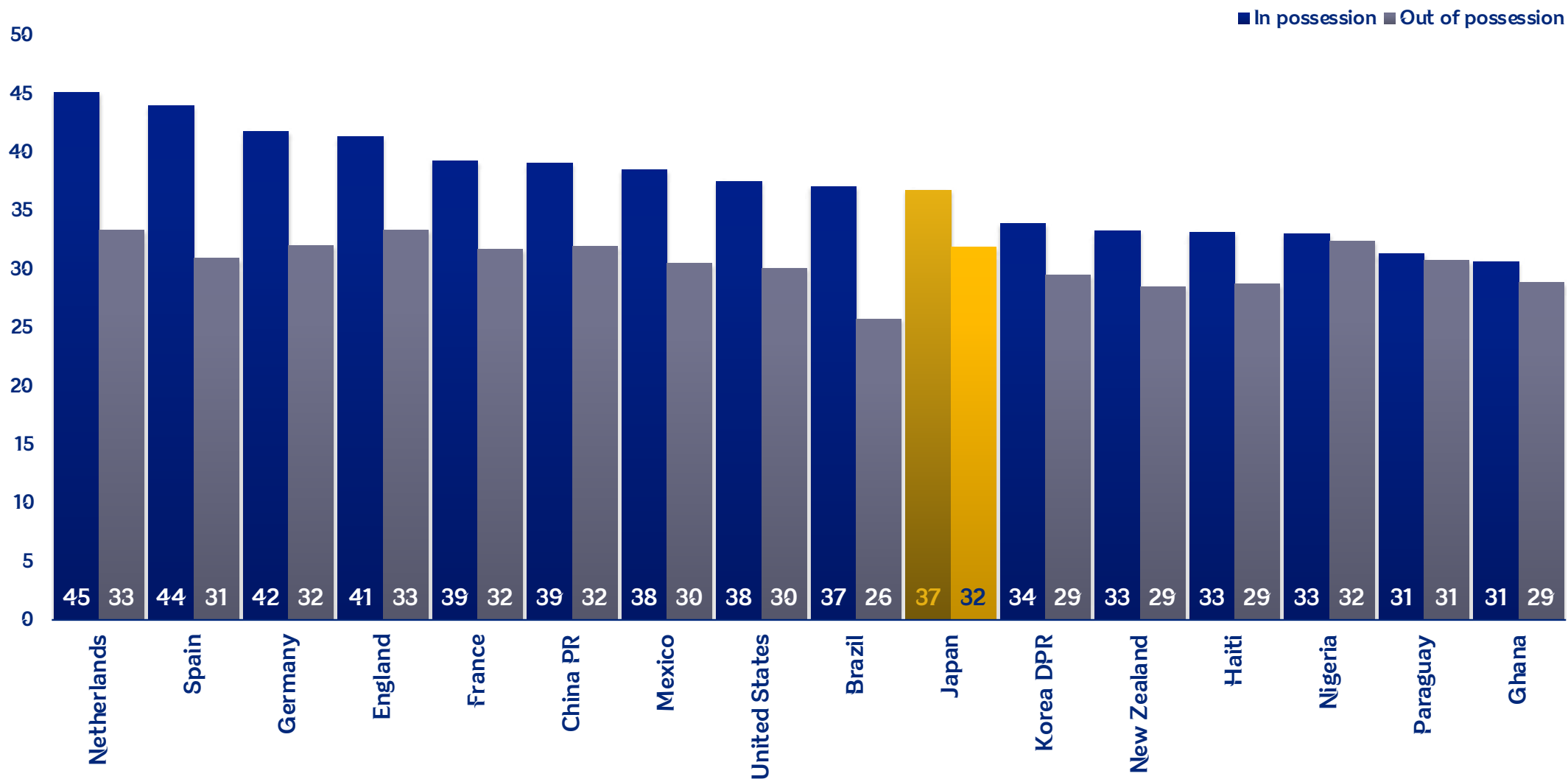
Compactness (m²) in/out of possession

Tournament average in possession 839
 Tournament average out of possession 591
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



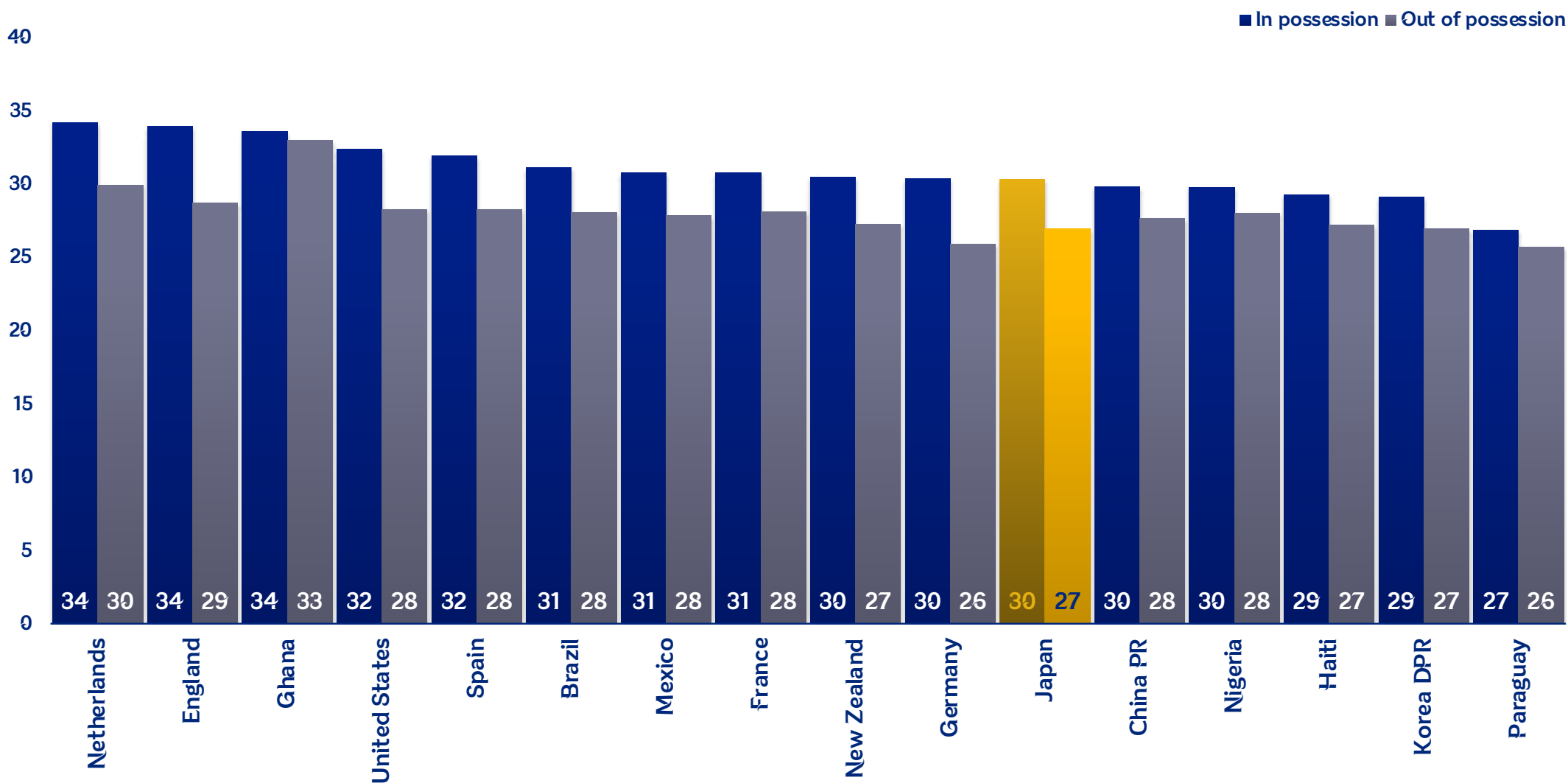
Team width (m) in/out of possession

Tournament average in possession 38
 Tournament average out of possession 31
■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner



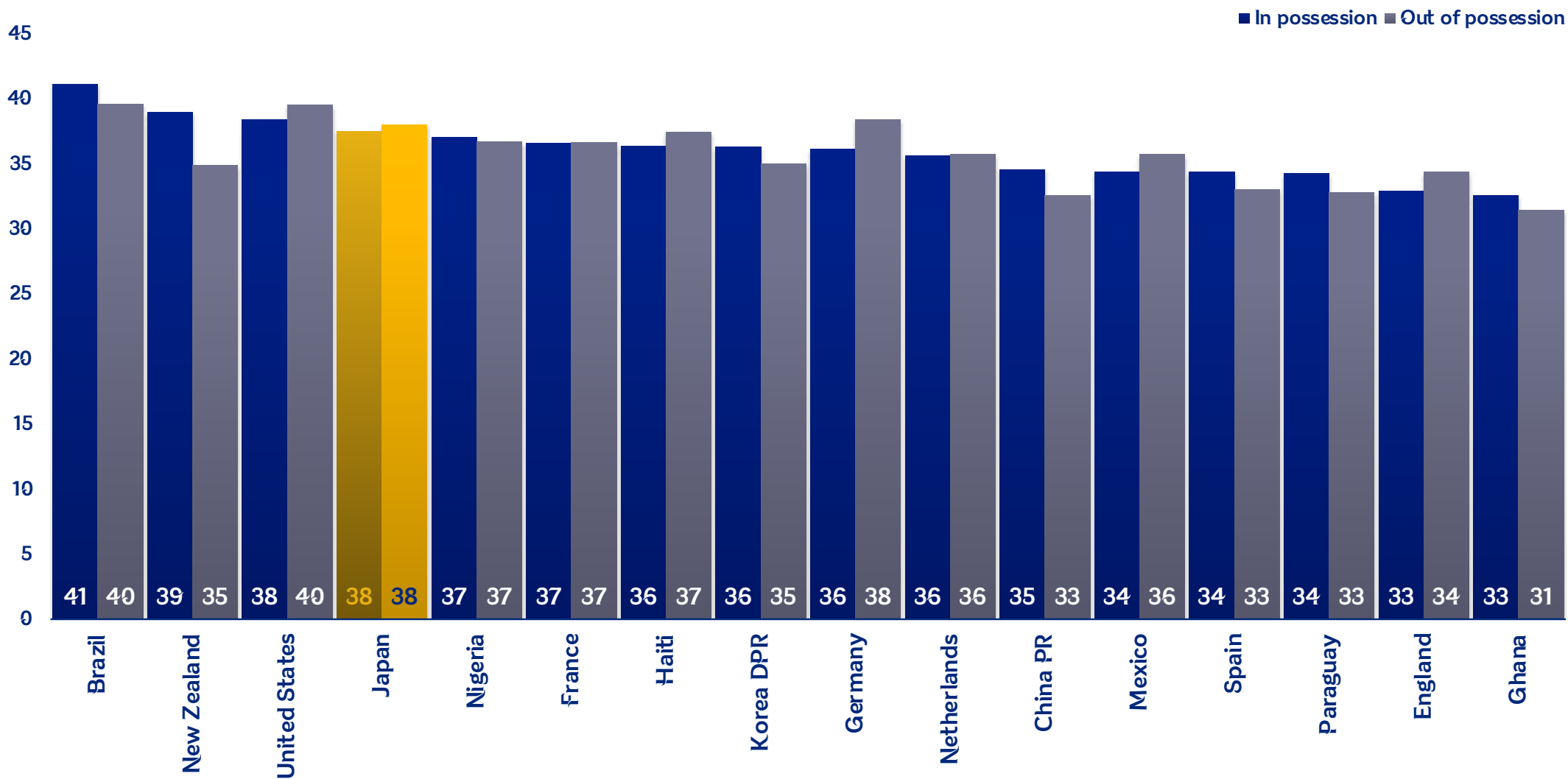
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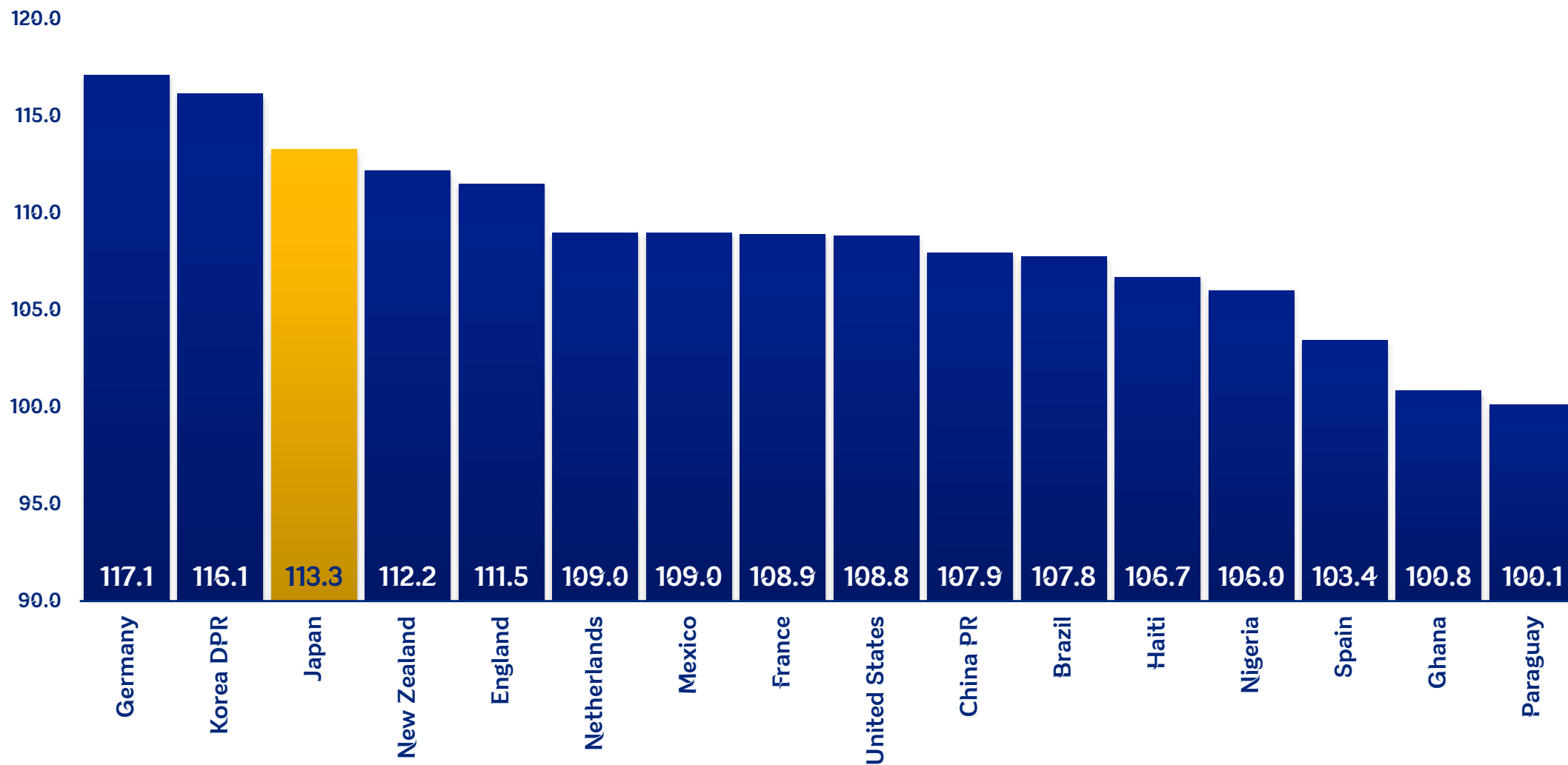
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Team total distance covered (km)

Tournament average 108.9

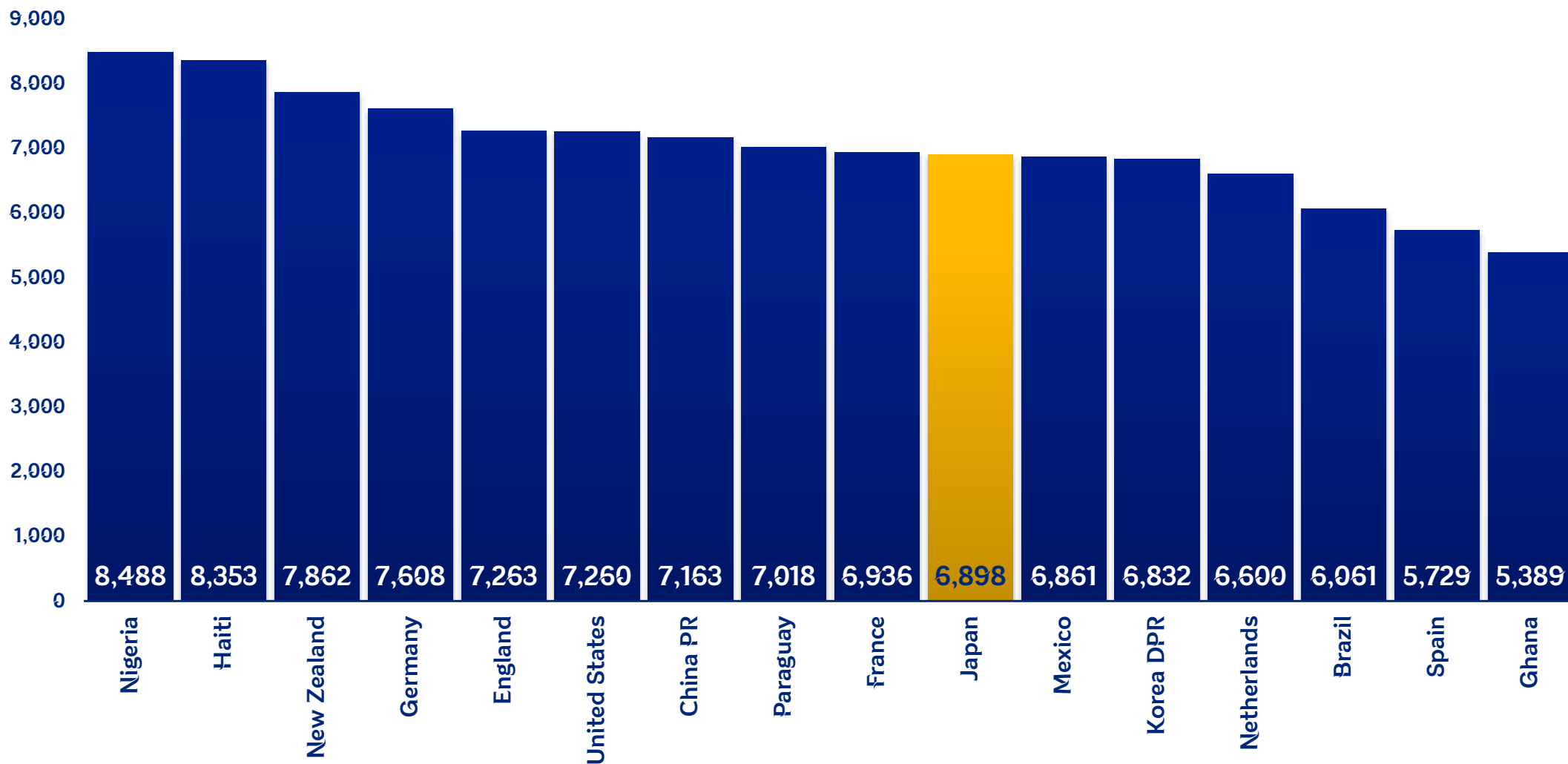
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Team total distance covered (m) >19km/h

Tournament average 6,971

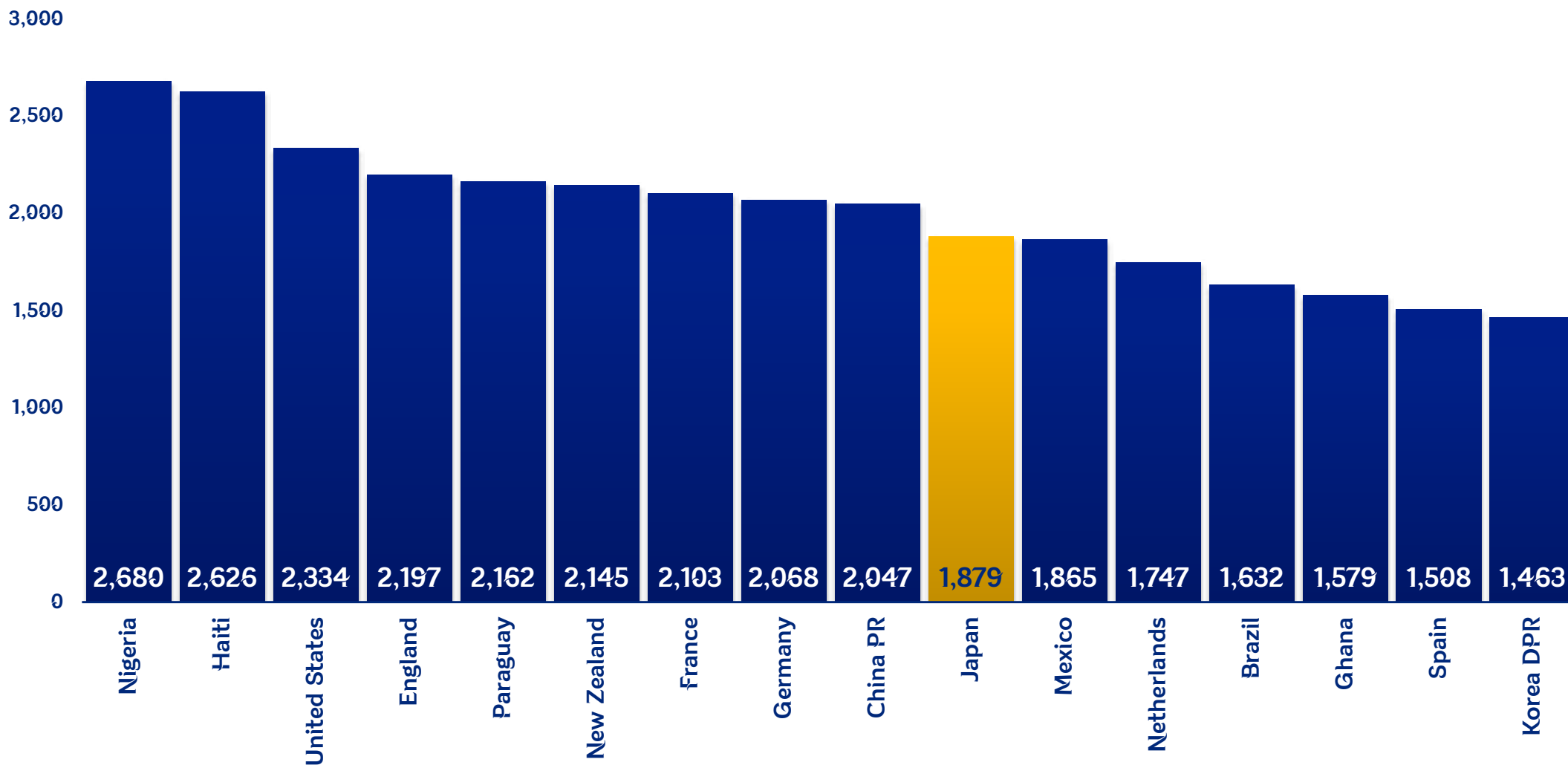
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Team total distance covered (m) >23km/h

Tournament average 1,984

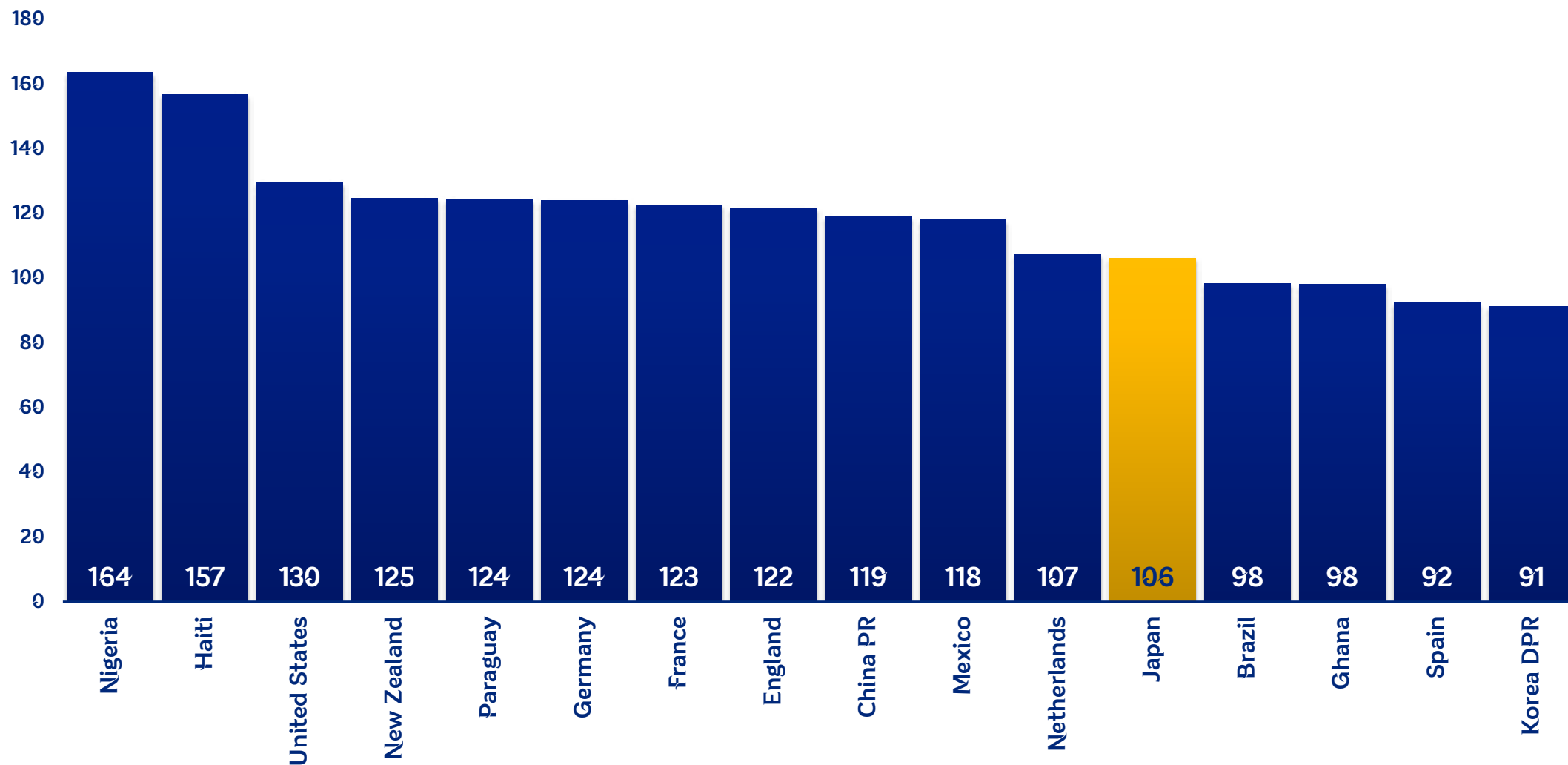
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Team number of activities >23km/h

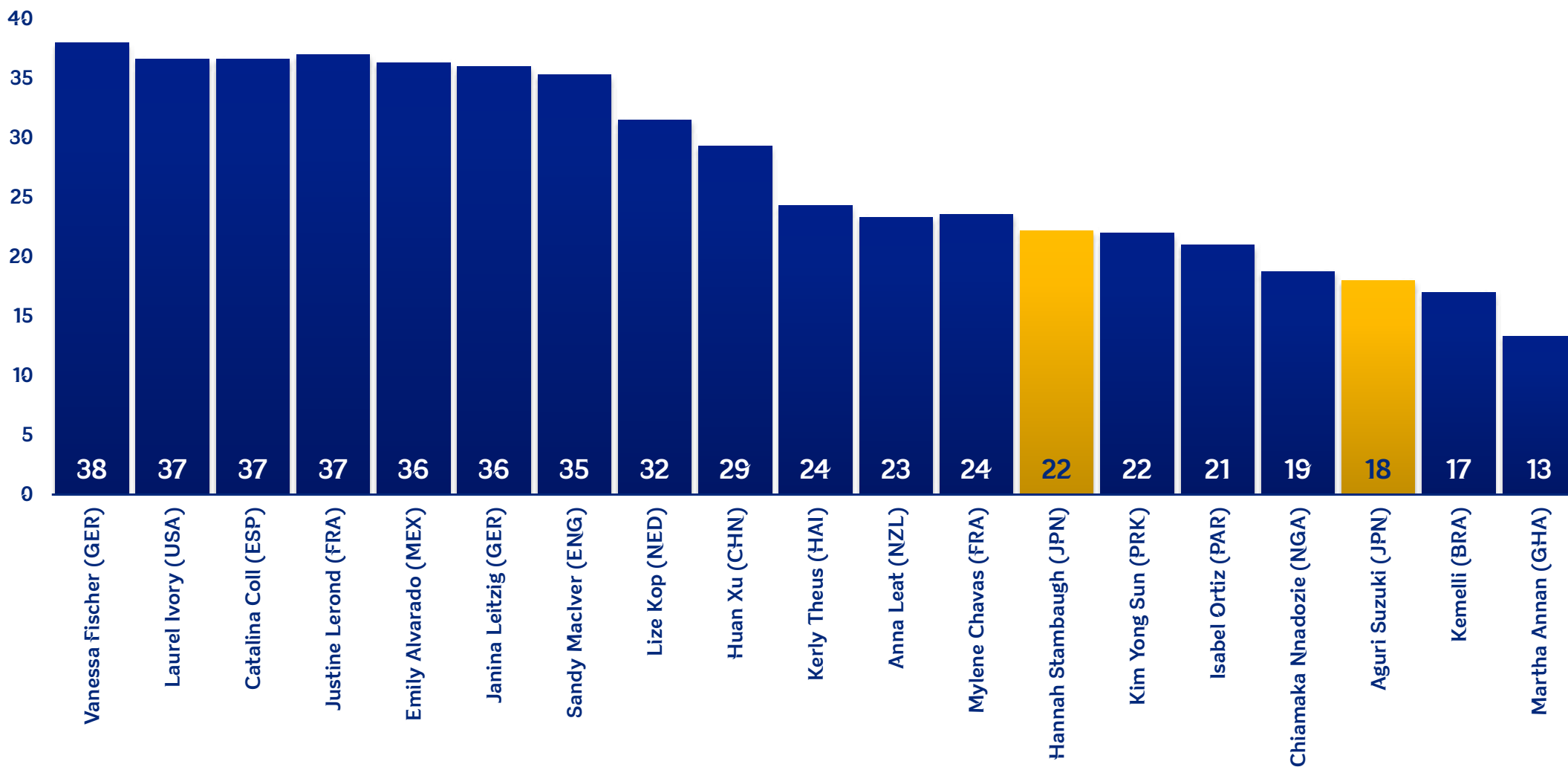
Tournament average 117

■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner

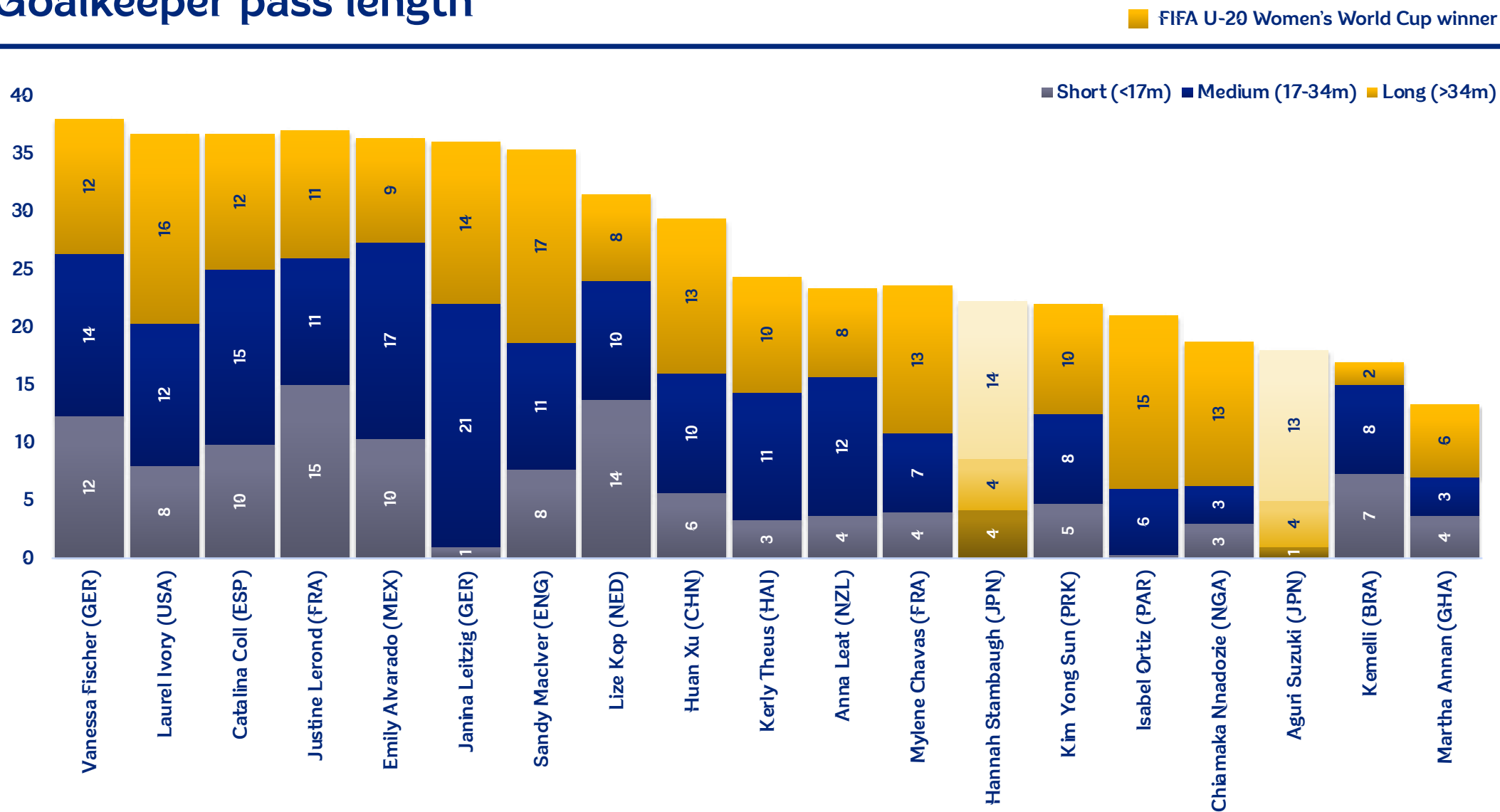


Goalkeeper passes

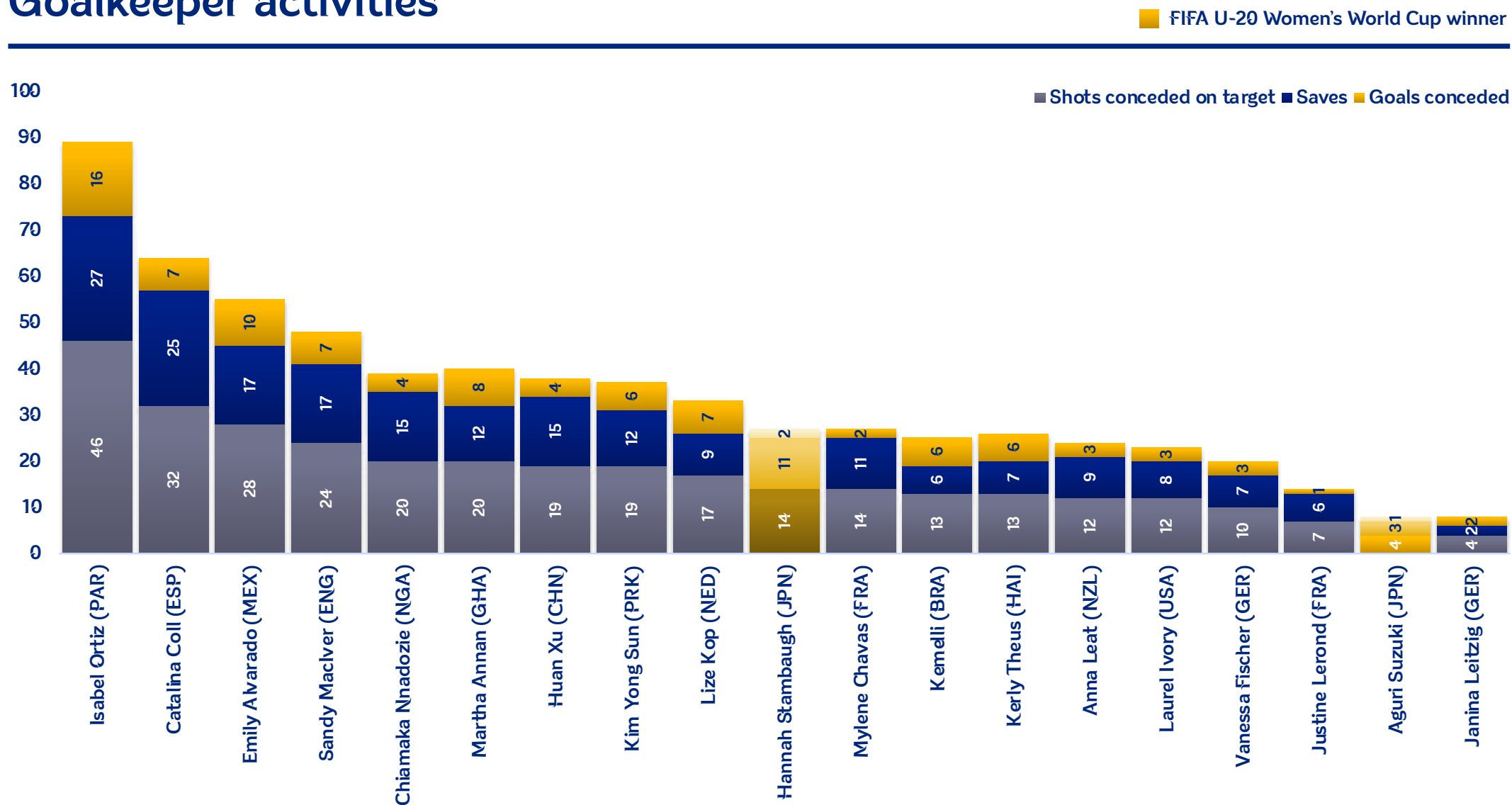
Tournament average 27

■ FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup winner


Goalkeeper pass length



Goalkeeper activities



FIFA AWARDS



ADIDAS GOLDEN BALL

This award goes to the best player in the final competition on the basis of a ranking compiled by the FIFA Technical Study Group. A Silver Ball and a Bronze Ball are awarded to the second and third best players.



ADIDAS SILVER BALL:
Saori Takarada (JPN, 11)

ADIDAS GOLDEN BALL:
Patricia Guijarro (ESP, 8)

ADIDAS BRONZE BALL:
Moeka Minami (JPN, 4)

ADIDAS GOLDEN BOOT**Patricia Guijarro (ESP, 8)**

ADIDAS SILVER BOOT:
Georgia Stanway (ENG, 10)

ADIDAS BRONZE BOOT:
Saori Takarada (JPN, 11)

This award is given to the top goalscorer of the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup France 2018.

Assists are included if two or more players are equal on goals scored. The FIFA Technical Study Group decides whether an assist is to be counted. If two or more players remain equal, the player who played fewer minutes in the final competition is ranked first.



ADIDAS GOLDEN GLOVE

The top goalkeeper award at the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup France 2018 is given by the FIFA Technical Study Group based on performances throughout the final competition.



Sandy MacIver (ENG, 1)

**FIFA FAIR PLAY TROPHY****Japan**

The FIFA Fair Play Trophy is awarded to the team with the best fair play record, according to a points system and criteria specified in the competition regulations.

MATCH INFORMATION



GROUP A

Data provided by FIFA.

France v. Ghana 4-1 (3-0)

1 05.08.2018 19:30 VANNES **4,889**

FRA: 1 CHAVAS; 2 DE ALMEIDA, 3 BACHA, 4 THIBAUD, 5 PIGA, 7 LAURENT, 8 FERCOQCQ, 9 KATOTO (C), 10 ZAMANIAN, 11 MALARD, 17 POLITO

GHA: 16 ANNAN; 4 TWENEBOAA, 5 AMOAKO, 6 ASANTEWAA, 7 KULCHIRIE (C), 8 ACHEAMPONG, 9 OWUSU-ANSAH, 10 ABAMBILA, 14 ASUAKO, 18 AGBOMADZI, 20 AGYEMANG Adu

Player of the Match: Emelyne Laurent (FRA)

Scorers: 1-0 6' LAURENT (7), 2-0 27' FERCOQCQ (8), 3-0 31' LAURENT (7), 3-1 58' OWUSU-ANSAH (9), 4-1 90'+7 BALTIMORE (20)

Referee: Kateryna MONZUL (UKR)

Assistant referees: Maryna STRILETSKA (UKR), Sian MASSEY (ENG)

4th official: Carol Anne CHENARD (CAN)

Substitutions: **FRA:** 65' out MALARD (11), in BALTIMORE (20), 69' out FERCOQCQ (8), in GAVORY (15), 78' out PIGA (5), in LAKRAR (13)

GHA: 32' out AGYEMANG Adu (20), in ANOKYE (11), 73' out ACHEAMPONG (8), in ANANE (12), 82' out ANOKYE (11), in OBENG (13)

Cautions: **GHA:** 90'+6 ASUAKO (14)

Expulsions: –

New Zealand v. Netherlands 1-2 (1-1)

2 05.08.2018 16:30 VANNES **2,042**

NZL: 1 LEAT; 2 MORTON Sarah, 4 ANTON, 7 BLAKE, 8 STEINMETZ (C), 9 TAWHARU, 10 JALE, 13 SATCHELL, 14 BUNGE, 18 MITTENDORFF, 19 JENKINS

NED: 1 KOP (C); 2 DUPPEN, 3 DIJKSTRA, 5 NOUWEN, 6 VAN DEURSEN, 11 WEERDEN, 12 YPEMA, 14 PELOVA, 15 DOORN, 17 PATTIWAEL, 19 KALMA

Player of the Match: Victoria Pelova (NED)

Scorers: 0-1 28' KALMA (19), 1-1 44' BLAKE (7), 1-2 78' VAN DEURSEN (6)

Referee: Jana ADAMKOVA (CZE)

Assistant referees: Sanja RODAK (CRO), Petruta IUGULESCU (ROU)

4th official: Claudia UMPIERREZ (URU)

Substitutions: **NZL:** 53' out BLAKE (7), in HAND (11), 85' out JENKINS (19), in STEVENS (17), 87' out MORTON Sarah (2), in HILL (15)

NED: 68' out WEERDEN (11), in JANSEN (7), 83' out KALMA (19), in SMITS (9), 90'+2 out PATTIWAEL (17), in SABAJO (8)

Cautions: **NZL:** 77' MORTON Sarah (2)

Expulsions: –

France v. New Zealand 0-0

9 08.08.2018 19:30 VANNES **5,031**

FRA: 1 CHAVAS; 3 BACHA, 4 THIBAUD, 6 DAOUDI, 7 LAURENT, 8 FERCOQCQ, 9 Marie-Antoinette KATOTO (C), 10 ZAMANIAN, 13 LAKRAR, 14 GOETSCH, 20 BALTIMORE

NZL: 1 LEAT; 2 MORTON Sarah, 4 ANTON, 7 BLAKE, 8 STEINMETZ (C), 9 TAWHARU, 10 JALE, 11 HAND, 13 SATCHELL, 14 BUNGE, 18 MITTENDORFF

Player of the Match: Selma Bacha (FRA)

Scorers: –

Referee: Lidya Tafesse ABEBE (ETH)

Assistant referees: Mary NJOROGE (KEN), Bernadettar KWIMBIRA (MWI)

4th official: Esther STAUBLI (SUI)

Substitutions: **FRA:** 59' out FERCOQCQ (8), in POLITO (17), 59' out ZAMANIAN (10), in DELABRE (19), 69' out CHAVAS (1), in LEROND (21)

NZL: 85' out STEINMETZ (8), in MORTON Rose (12), 88' out SATCHELL (13), in RENNIE (16), 90'+3 out TAWHARU (9), in JENKINS (19)

Cautions: **FRA:** 27' FERCOQCQ (8)

NZL: 61' SATCHELL (13), 76' STEINMETZ (8)

Expulsions: –

Netherlands v. Ghana 4-0 (3-0)

10 08.08.2018 16:30 VANNES **1,709**

NED: 1 KOP (C); 2 DUPPEN, 3 DIJKSTRA, 5 NOUWEN, 6 VAN DEURSEN, 11 WEERDEN, 12 YPEMA, 14 PELOVA, 15 DOORN, 17 PATTIWAEL, 19 KALMA

GHA: 16 ANNAN; 2 HAGAN, 3 ANIMA, 4 TWENEBOAA, 6 ASANTEWAA, 9 OWUSU-ANSAH (C), 10 ABAMBILA, 11 ANOKYE, 13 OBENG, 14 ASUAKO, 18 AGBOMADZI

Player of the Match: Fenna Kalma (NED)

Scorers: 1-0 21' NOUWEN (5), 2-0 28' KALMA (19), 3-0 32' KALMA (19), 4-0 80' PELOVA (14)

Referee: Ri Hyang Ok (PRK)

Assistant referees: HONG Kum Nyo (PRK), KIM Kyoung Min (KOR)

4th official: QIN Liang (CHN)

Substitutions: **NED:** 61' out DUPPEN (2), in WATERHAM (13), 74' out WATERHAM (13), in VAN SCHOONHOVEN (18), 81' out PATTIWAEL (17), in SMITS (9)

GHA: 37' out ANIMA (3), in ACHEAMPONG (8), 59' out OBENG (13), in Rafia-Alhassan KULCHIRIE (7)

Cautions: **GHA:** 11' HAGAN (2)

Expulsions: –



Netherlands v. France**0-4 (0-3)****17 12.08.2018 16:30 SAINT-MALO 2,262**

NED: 1 KOP (C); 2 DUPPEN, 3 DIJKSTRA, 5 NOUWEN, 6 VAN DEURSEN, 8 SABAJO, 11 WEERDEN, 12 YPEMA, 14 PELOVA, 15 DOORN, 19 KALMA

FRA: 1 CHAVAS; 2 DE ALMEIDA, 3 BACHA, 5 PIGA (C), 6 DAOUDI, 7 LAURENT, 11 MALARD, 13 LAKRAR, 15 GAVORY, 17 POLITO, 19 DELABRE

Player of the Match: Amélie Delabre (FRA)

Scorers: 0-1 10' DELABRE (19), 0-2 31' DELABRE (19, pen.), 0-3 33' DELABRE (19), 0-4 72' LAURENT (7)

Referee: Esther STAUBLI (SUI)

Assistant referees: Belinda PIERRE (SUI), Susanne KUNG (SUI)

4th official: Gladys LENGWE (ZAM)

Substitutions: **NED:** 67' out DUPPEN (2), in VAN DEN HEUVEL (10), 72' out WEERDEN (11), in JANSEN (7), 75' out KALMA (19), in SMITS (9)

FRA: 69' out DAOUDI (6), in THIBAUD (4), 74' out DELABRE (19), in REY (18), 87' out LAURENT (7), in DECHILLY (12)

Cautions: **NED:** 45'+1 SABAJO (8), 59' WEERDEN (11), 90'+1 YPEMA (12)

FRA: 61' DAOUDI (6)

Expulsions: –

**Ghana v. New Zealand****1-0 (0-0)****18 12.08.2018 16:30 CONCARNEAU 1,056**

GHA: 16 ANNAN; 3 ANIMA, 4 TWENEBOAA, 6 ASANTEWAA, 9 OWUSU-ANSAH (C), 10 ABAMBILA, 11 ANOKYE, 13 OBENG, 14 ASUAKO, 18 AGBOMADZI, 20 AGYEMANG Adu

NZL: 1 LEAT; 2 MORTON Sarah, 4 ANTON, 7 BLAKE, 8 STEINMETZ (C), 9 TAWHARU, 10 JALE, 13 SATCHELL, 14 BUNGE, 18 MITTENDORFF, 19 JENKINS

Player of the Match: Grace Asantewaa (GHA)

Scorers: 1-0 75' ANIMA (3)

Referee: Edina ALVES BATISTA (BRA)

Assistant referees: Neuza BACK (BRA), Tatiane SACIOTTI DOS SANTOS CAMARGO (BRA)

4th official: Claudia UMPIERREZ (URU)

Substitutions: **GHA:** 86' out OBENG (13), in ACHEAMPONG (8)

NZL: 46' HT out STEINMETZ (8), in MORTON Rose (12), 59' out JENKINS (19), in HAND (11), 81' out MORTON Sarah (2), in METTAM (6)

Cautions: –

Expulsions: –

The hosts hit the ground running with a 4-1 win over Ghana, who succumbed 4-0 to the Netherlands in their second group game. That allowed the Dutch, who had defeated New Zealand in their opener, to secure their quarter-final berth ahead of their final group fixture against France, who turned it on with a 4-0 victory to secure top spot in the group.

Group A

| Rank | Team | MP | W | D | L | GF | GA | +/- | Pts |
|------|-------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | France | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 8 | 1 | +7 | 7 |
| 2 | Netherlands | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 5 | +1 | 6 |
| 3 | Ghana | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 8 | -6 | 3 |
| 4 | New Zealand | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | -2 | 1 |



GROUP B

Korea DPR v. England 1-3 (0-1)

3 05.08.2018 16:30 DINAN-LÉHON **1,464**

PRK: 18 KIM Yong Sun; 2 AN Kuk Hyang, 3 RYANG (C), 5 RI Kum Hyang, 8 PANG, 9 KIM Pom Ui, 10 KIM Kyong Yong, 11 SON, 12 KO, 19 RI Pom Hyang, 20 CHOE

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 4 ROUSE, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 9 HEMP, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY

Player of the Match: Lauren Hemp (ENG)

Scorers: 0-1 31' RUSSO (7), 0-2 60' STANWAY (10), 1-2 71' JA (7), 1-3 73' RUSSO (7)

Referee: Stephanie FRAPPART (FRA)

Assistant referees: Manuela NICOLosi (FRA), Michelle O NEILL (IRL)

4th official: Anna-Marie KEIGHLEY (NZL)

Substitutions: **PRK:** 41' out SON (11), in JA (7), 56' out KO (12), in AN Myong Song (13), 64' out PANG (8), in RI Hak (17)

ENG: 71' out PACHECO (3), in HINDS (18), 84' out RUSSO (7), in BABAJIDE (17), 90'+2 out HEMP (9), in WELLINGS (19)

Cautions: **PRK:** 45'+1 KO (12), 88' AN (2)

ENG: 79' RUSSO (7)

Expulsions: –

Mexico v. Brazil 3-2 (1-2)

4 05.08.2018 13:30 DINAN-LÉHON **1,127**

MEX: 1 ALVARADO; 2 SOTO, 3 GARCIA, 4 RODRIGUEZ, 5 LOPEZ, 6 REYES, 7 CRUZ, 8 DELGADO (C), 9 ESPINOSA, 10 MARTINEZ, 11 OVALLE

BRA: 12 KEMELLI; 2 MONALISA, 3 THAIS REGINA, 6 THAIS REISS, 7 ANGELINA, 10 VICTORIA, 11 BRENDA WOCH, 13 TAINARA, 15 KATRINE, 17 KEROLIN NICOLI, 18 ANA VITORIA (C)

Player of the Match: Jacqueline Ovalle (MEX)

Scorers: 1-0 4' MARTINEZ (10), 1-1 6' KEROLIN NICOLI (17), 1-2 17' KEROLIN NICOLI (17), 2-2 52' OVALLE (11), 3-2 63' OVALLE (11)

Referee: Esther STAUBLI (SUI)

Assistant referees: Belinda PIERRE (SUI), Susanne KUNG (SUI)

4th official: Anna-Marie KEIGHLEY (NZL)

Substitutions: **MEX:** 61' out REYES (6), in VILLEGAS (14), 65' out MARTINEZ (10), in JUAREZ (19), 81' out OVALLE (11), in HERNANDEZ Montserrat (21)

BRA: 56' out BRENDA WOCH (11), in GEYSE FERREIRA (9), 67' out THAIS REISS (6), in ARIADINA BORGES (20), 86' out ANGELINA (7), in VALERIA (21)

Cautions: **MEX:** 19' LOPEZ (5), 81' DELGADO (8), 90'+5 VILLEGAS (14)

BRA: 90'+1 ANA VITORIA (18)

Expulsions: –

Korea DPR v. Mexico 2-1 (1-1)

11 08.08.2018 16:30 DINAN-LÉHON **1,591**

PRK: 18 KIM Yong Sun; 2 AN Kuk Hyang, 3 RYANG (C), 5 RI Kum Hyang, 8 PANG, 9 KIM Pom Ui, 10 KIM Kyong Yong, 12 KO, 17 RI Hak, 19 RI Pom Hyang, 20 CHOE

MEX: 1 ALVARADO; 2 SOTO, 3 GARCIA, 4 RODRIGUEZ, 5 LOPEZ, 6 REYES, 7 CRUZ, 8 DELGADO (C), 9 ESPINOSA, 10 MARTINEZ, 11 OVALLE

Player of the Match: Kim Kyong-Yong (PRK)

Scorers: 0-1 12' OVALLE (11), 1-1 14' CHOE (20), 2-1 85' KIM Kyong Yong (10)

Referee: Claudia UMPIERREZ (URU)

Assistant referees: Luciana MASCARANA (URU), Tatiane SACIOTTI DOS SANTOS CAMARGO (BRA)

4th official: Kateryna MONZUL (UKR)

Substitutions: **PRK:** 64' out KIM Pom Ui (9), in AN Myong Song (13), 70' out CHOE (20), in JA (7), 90'+3 out KO (12), in RI Chun Gyong (6)

MEX: 59' out MARTINEZ (10), in JUAREZ (19), 65' out REYES (6), in VILLEGAS (14), 73' out CRUZ (7), in SALAZAR (18)

Cautions: **PRK:** 44' KIM Pom Ui (9), 82' RYANG Ryong Mi (3), 90'+4 RI Pom Hyang (19)

MEX: 42' RODRIGUEZ (4), 57' REYES (6)

Expulsions: –

Brazil v. England 1-1 (0-1)

12 08.08.2018 13:30 DINAN-LÉHON **1,981**

BRA: 12 KEMELLI; 2 MONALISA, 3 THAIS REGINA, 6 THAIS REISS, 7 ANGELINA, 9 GEYSE FERREIRA, 10 VICTORIA, 13 TAINARA, 15 KATRINE, 17 KEROLIN NICOLI, 18 ANA VITORIA (C)

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 4 ROUSE, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY, 19 WELLINGS

Player of the Match: Angelina (BRA)

Scorers: 0-1 11' STANWAY (10, pen.), 1-1 90'+2 ARIADINA BORGES (20)

Referee: Melissa BORJAS (HON)

Assistant referees: Shirley PERELLO (HON), Yudilia BRIONES (MEX)

4th official: Kate JACEWICZ (AUS)

Substitutions: **BRA:** 63' out GEYSE FERREIRA (9), in VALERIA (21), 63' out THAIS REISS (6), in ARIADINA BORGES (20), 75' out VICTORIA (10), in BRENDA WOCH (11)

ENG: 53' out WELLINGS (19), in HEMP (9), 63' out ROUSE (4), in ALLEN (8), 84' out RUSSO (7), in HINDS (18)

Cautions: **BRA:** 10' TAINARA (13), 67' THAIS REGINA (3)

ENG: 4' ROUSE (4), 31' FINNIGAN (6), 44' STANWAY (10)

Expulsions: –



Brazil v. Korea DPR**1-2 (0-1)****19 12.08.2018 13:30 CONCARNEAU 1,056**

BRA: 12 KEMELLI; 3 THAIS REGINA, 6 THAIS REISS, 7 ANGELINA, 10 VICTORIA, 13 TAINARA, 14 ISABELLA, 15 KATRINE, 17 KEROLIN NICOLI, 18 ANA VITORIA (C), 21 VALERIA

PRK: 18 KIM Yong Sun; 2 AN Kuk Hyang, 3 RYANG (C), 5 RI Kum Hyang, 8 PANG, 9 KIM Pom Ui, 10 KIM Kyong Yong, 11 SON, 12 KO, 19 RI Pom Hyang, 20 CHOE

Player of the Match: Kim Kyong-Yong (PRK)

Scorers: 0-1 44' SON (11), 1-1 68' GEYSE FERREIRA (9), 1-2 90'+3 CHOE (20)

Referee: Bibiana STEINHAUS (GER)

Assistant referees: Katrin RAFALSKI (GER), Chrysoula KOUROMPYLIA (GRE)

4th official: Carol Anne CHENARD (CAN)

Substitutions: **BRA:** 46' HT out THAIS REISS (6), in GEYSE FERREIRA (9), 46' HT out TAINARA (13), in ARIADINA BORGES (20), 67' out VICTORIA (10), in BRENDA WOCH (11)

PRK: 22' out KIM Pom Ui (9), in AN Myong Song (13), 69' out KO (12), in RI Hak (17), 78' out SON (11), in JA (7)

Cautions: -

Expulsions: -

England v. Mexico**6-1 (0-1)****20 12.08.2018 13:30 SAINT-MALO 1,362**

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 4 ROUSE, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 9 HEMP, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY

MEX: 1 ALVARADO; 2 SOTO, 3 GARCIA, 4 RODRIGUEZ, 5 LOPEZ, 6 REYES, 8 DELGADO (C), 9 ESPINOSA, 10 MARTINEZ, 11 OVALLE, 21 HERNANDEZ Montserrat

Player of the Match: Lauren Hemp (ENG)

Scorers: 0-1 37' OVALLE (11), 1-1 49' RUSSO (7), 2-1 53' KELLY (16), 3-1 62' HEMP (9), 4-1 64' STANWAY (10), 5-1 68' HEMP (9), 6-1 80' HEMP (9)

Referee: Kate JACEWICZ (AUS)

Assistant referees: Uvena FERNANDES (IND), HONG Kum Nyo (PRK)

4th official: Stephanie FRAPPART (FRA)

Substitutions: **ENG:** 71' out STANWAY (10), in ALLEN (8), 76' out PELOW (14), in CHARLES (11), 81' out RUSSO (7), in JOHNSON (12)

MEX: 65' out HERNANDEZ Montserrat (21), in JUAREZ (19), 65' out DELGADO (8), in HERNANDEZ Andrea (16), 81' out SOTO (2), in VILLEGAS (14)

Cautions: **ENG:** 16' PELOW (14), 40' ROUSE (4)

Expulsions: -

England laid down an early marker with a 3-1 victory over reigning champions Korea DPR, who showed their resilience to fight back for a 2-1 win over Mexico in their second group outing. This maintained the Asians' hopes alive heading into their final fixture against Brazil, whose stoppage-time equaliser against England prevented their opponents from qualifying with a game to spare and kept the South Americans in the hunt. Korea DPR eventually found a late winner against the Brazilians, although England's emphatic 6-1 thrashing of Mexico meant that even a draw

would have sufficed to take the holders a step closer to successfully defending their title.

Group B

| Rank | Team | MP | W | D | L | GF | GA | +/- | Pts |
|------|-----------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | England | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 10 | 3 | +7 | 7 |
| 2 | Korea DPR | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 6 |
| 3 | Mexico | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 10 | -5 | 3 |
| 4 | Brazil | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 | -2 | 1 |



GROUP C

USA v. Japan 0-1 (0-0)

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| 5 | 06.08.2018 19:30 CONCARNEAU | 2,332 |
| USA: | 1 IVORY; 2 SANCHEZ, 4 GIRMA, 9 SMITH, 10 DEMELO, 11 VILLACORTA, 13 PICKETT, 14 RODRIGUEZ, 16 HIATT (C), 18 HOWELL, 19 GILROY | |
| JPN: | 18 STAMBAUGH; 4 MINAMI (C), 5 USHIJIMA, 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 13 MIYAGAWA, 17 KITAMURA, 19 UEKI | |
| <i>Player of the Match:</i> | Moeka Minami (JPN) | |
| <i>Scorers:</i> | 0-1 76' HAYASHI (7) | |
| <i>Referee:</i> | Gladys LENGWE (ZAM) | |
| <i>Assistant referees:</i> | Lidwine RAKOTOZAFINORO (MAD), Queency VICTOIRE (MRI) | |
| <i>4th official:</i> | Lidya Tafesse ABEBE (ETH) | |
| <i>Substitutions:</i> | USA: 64' out SANCHEZ (2), in KIM (17), 73' out DEMELO (10), in PINTO (8), 84' out RODRIGUEZ (14), in FOX (20) JPN: 61' out TAKARADA (11), in ENDO (20), 84' out MIYAGAWA (13), in MURAOKA (14), 89' out HAYASHI (7), in FUKUTA Yui (8) | |
| <i>Cautions:</i> | USA: 40' DEMELO (10) | |
| <i>Expulsions:</i> | - | |

Paraguay v. Spain 1-4 (0-1)

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| 6 | 06.08.2018 16:30 CONCARNEAU | 1,587 |
| PAR: | 12 ORTIZ; 2 VECCA, 3 ALONSO, 5 FRETES, 7 MINO, 8 GODOY (C), 9 SANDOVAL, 10 MARTINEZ Jessica (10), 11 CHAMORRO, 14 VILLASANTI, 17 BOGARIN | |
| ESP: | 21 COLL; 2 BATLLE, 3 PUJADAS, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO, 10 OROZ, 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 14 BONMATI (C), 18 NAVARRO, 20 PINA | |
| <i>Player of the Match:</i> | Patri Guijarro (ESP) | |
| <i>Scorers:</i> | 0-1 40' GUIJARRO (8), 0-2 49' PINA (20), 1-2 62' MARTINEZ Jessica (10), 1-3 64' GUIJARRO (8), 1-4 90'+6 GUIJARRO (8) | |
| <i>Referee:</i> | Kate JACEWICZ (AUS) | |
| <i>Assistant referees:</i> | CUI Yongmei (CHN), HONG Kum Nyo (PRK) | |
| <i>4th official:</i> | QIN Liang (CHN) | |
| <i>Substitutions:</i> | PAR: 64' out BOGARIN (17), in AGUILERA (19), 74' out CHAMORRO (11), in SANCHEZ (16), 90' out FRETES (5), in OJEDA (4) ESP: 60' out OROZ (10), in ANDUJAR (15), 79' out MENAYO (11), in ALEIXANDRI (4), 85' out BATLLE (2), in SANCHO (19) | |
| <i>Cautions:</i> | PAR: 49' MINO (7), 67' FRETES (5) | |
| <i>Expulsions:</i> | - | |

USA v. Paraguay 6-0 (3-0)

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| 13 | 09.08.2018 19:30 CONCARNEAU | 2,117 |
| USA: | 1 IVORY; 2 SANCHEZ, 3 McKEOWN, 4 GIRMA, 9 SMITH, 10 DEMELO, 11 VILLACORTA, 13 PICKETT, 16 HIATT (C), 18 HOWELL, 19 GILROY | |
| PAR: | 12 ORTIZ; 2 VECCA, 3 ALONSO, 5 FRETES, 7 MINO, 8 GODOY (C), 9 SANDOVAL, 10 MARTINEZ Graciela, 14 VILLASANTI, 16 SANCHEZ, 17 BOGARIN | |
| <i>Player of the Match:</i> | Sophia Smith (USA) | |
| <i>Scorers:</i> | 1-0 15' SMITH (9), 2-0 39' DEMELO (10), 3-0 44' DEMELO (10), 4-0 46' SANCHEZ (2), 5-0 63' SMITH (9), 6-0 78' DEMELO (10) | |
| <i>Referee:</i> | QIN Liang (CHN) | |
| <i>Assistant referees:</i> | CUI Yongmei (CHN), FANG Yan (CHN) | |
| <i>4th official:</i> | Bibiana STEINHAUS (GER) | |
| <i>Substitutions:</i> | USA: 61' out GILROY (19), in PINTO (8), 61' out SANCHEZ (2), in KIM (17), 73' out SMITH (9), in HOCKING (6) PAR: 30' out GODOY (8), in GONZALEZ (6), 50' out MINO (7), in AGUILERA (19), 62' out SANCHEZ (16), in CHAMORRO (11) | |
| <i>Cautions:</i> | USA: 8' HOWELL (18), 23' GIRMA (4) PAR: 65' AGUILERA (19) | |
| <i>Expulsions:</i> | - | |

Spain v. Japan 1-0 (1-0)

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| 14 | 09.08.2018 16:30 CONCARNEAU | 2,332 |
| ESP: | 21 COLL; 3 PUJADAS, 4 ALEIXANDRI, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO, 10 OROZ (C), 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 14 BONMATI, 15 ANDUJAR, 17 GARCIA | |
| JPN: | 1 SUZUKI; 4 MINAMI (C), 5 USHIJIMA, 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 14 MURAOKA, 17 KITAMURA, 20 ENDO | |
| <i>Player of the Match:</i> | Damaris Egurrola (ESP) | |
| <i>Scorers:</i> | 1-0 16' MENAYO (11) | |
| <i>Referee:</i> | Kateryna MONZUL (UKR) | |
| <i>Assistant referees:</i> | Maryna STRILETSKA (UKR), Sian MASSEY (ENG) | |
| <i>4th official:</i> | Stephanie FRAPPART (FRA) | |
| <i>Substitutions:</i> | ESP: 65' out ANDUJAR (15), in NAVARRO (18), 80' out OROZ (10), in FERNANDEZ (9) JPN: 59' out TAKARADA (11), in MIYAGAWA (13), 59' out MURAOKA (14), in UEKI (19) | |
| <i>Cautions:</i> | ESP: 23' ALEIXANDRI (4), 61' PUJADAS (3) | |
| <i>Expulsions:</i> | - | |





Despite 4-1 and 1-0 wins over Paraguay and Japan respectively, UEFA Women's U-19 Championship winners Spain were still forced to sweat in their final fixture of an extremely even group, which had seen both Japan and the USA win one and lose one of their opening two fixtures. On a decisive final day of matches, Japan beat Paraguay 6-0 to clinch qualification, two years on from a 5-0 win over the same opponents at the FIFA U-17 Women's World Cup. For their part, the USA failed to get through the group stage for the first time, despite mounting a rousing comeback to score

two goals in the final ten minutes and put Spain on the ropes. A 2-2 draw proved enough to take the Iberians through.

Group C

| Rank | Team | MP | W | D | L | GF | GA | +/- | Pts |
|------|----------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Spain | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 7 | 3 | +4 | 7 |
| 2 | Japan | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 1 | +6 | 6 |
| 3 | USA | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 3 | +5 | 4 |
| 4 | Paraguay | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 16 | -15 | 0 |

Spain v. USA

2-2 (2-0)

21 13.08.2018 13:30 DINAN-LÉHON 1,681

ESP: 21 COLL; 3 PUJADAS, 4 ALEIXANDRI, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO (C), 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 14 BONMATI, 17 GARCIA, 18 NAVARRO, 20 PINA

USA: 1 IVORY; 2 SANCHEZ, 4 GIRMA, 9 SMITH, 10 DEMELO, 11 VILLACORTA, 13 PICKETT, 14 RODRIGUEZ, 16 HIATT (C), 18 HOWELL, 19 GILROY

Player of the Match: Aitana Bonmati (ESP)

Scorers: 1-0 7' GUIJARRO (8), 2-0 42' GARCIA (17), 2-1 83' SMITH (9), 2-2 87' DEMELO (10)

Referee: Anna-Marie KEIGHLEY (NZL)

Assistant referees: Lata KAUMATULE (TGA), Maria SALAMASINA (SAM)

4th official: Jana ADAMKOVA (CZE)

Substitutions: ESP: 59' out GARCIA (17), in RABANO (7), 73' out NAVARRO (18), in ANDUJAR (15), 88' out PINA (20), in RUBIO (16)

USA: 46' HT out SANCHEZ (2), in KIM (17), 59' out HOWELL (18), in PINTO (8), 73' out RODRIGUEZ (14), in HOCKING (6)

Cautions: ESP: 71' BONMATI (14)

Expulsions: -

Japan v. Paraguay

6-0 (4-0)

22 13.08.2018 13:30 VANNES 1,525

JPN: 18 STAMBAUGH; 4 MINAMI (C), 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 13 MIYAGAWA, 17 KITAMURA, 19 UEKI, 20 ENDO

PAR: 12 ORTIZ; 2 VECCA, 3 ALONSO (C), 4 OJEDA, 6 GONZALEZ, 7 MINO, 9 SANDOVAL, 10 MARTINEZ Jessica, 11 CHAMORRO, 14 VILLASANTI, 19 AGUILERA

Player of the Match: Saori Takarada (JPN)

Scorers: 1-0 5' TAKARADA (11), 2-0 18' TAKARADA (11), 3-0 44' UEKI (19), 4-0 45'+3 UEKI (19), 5-0 60' UEKI (19), 6-0 61' TAKARADA (11)

Referee: Gladys LENGWE (ZAM)

Assistant referees: Lidwine RAKOTOZAFINORO (MAD), Bernadettar KWIMBIRA (MWI)

4th official: QIN Liang (CHN)

Substitutions: JPN: 46' HT out KITAMURA (17), in TAKAHIRA (3), 62' out MIYAZAWA (9), in IMAI (12), 77' out HAYASHI (7), in FUKUTA Yui (8)

PAR: 46' HT out MINO (7), in SANCHEZ (16), 58' out GONZALEZ (6), in FRETES (5), 68' out VILLASANTI (14), in BAREIRO (18)

Cautions: JPN: 39' TAKARADA (11)

Expulsions: -

GROUP D

Haiti v. China PR 1-2 (0-1)

7 06.08.2018 16:30 SAINT-MALO 2,015

HAI: 1 THEUS; 4 CHARLES, 5 DARIUS, 6 JOSEPH Dougenie, 9 JEUDY, 10 MONDESIR (C), 11 ELOISSAINT, 13 JEAN, 14 CAREMUS, 17 SAINT FELIX, 18 DUMONAY

CHN: 1 XU; 2 DOU, 4 WANG Linlin (C), 5 CHEN Qiaozhu, 8 SHEN, 9 JIN, 10 ZHAO, 11 XIE, 17 ZHANG, 18 YANG, 21 ZHI

Player of the Match: Linlin Wang (CHN)

Scorers: 0-1 13' ZHAO (10), 0-2 46' SHEN (8), 1-2 78' MONDESIR (10, pen.)

Referee: Edina ALVES BATISTA (BRA)

Assistant referees: Neuza BACK (BRA), Monica AMBOYA (ECU)

4th official: Claudia UMPIERREZ (URU)

Substitutions: **HAI:** 46' HT out ELOISSAINT (11), in ETIENNE (15), 66' out SAINT FELIX (17), in MATHURIN (2), 70' out JEAN (13), in GUSTAVE (19)

CHN: 72' out JIN (9), in YAN (16), 81' out XIE (11), in CHEN Yuanmeng (19), 90'+3 out ZHAO (10), in LIU (6)

Cautions: **HAI:** 55' JOSEPH Dougenie (6)

CHN: 37' XIE (11), 78' DOU (2)

Expulsions: –

Nigeria v. Germany 0-1 (0-0)

8 06.08.2018 13:30 SAINT-MALO 823

NGA: 16 NNADOZIE; 3 OGBONNA (C), 7 EFIH, 8 AJIBADE, 10 SAHEED, 11 AMOO, 13 OLOGBOSERE, 14 IMO, 15 SUNDAY, 17 OKEKE Chidinma, 20 BELLO

GER: 1 FISCHER; 4 KLEINHERNE, 5 PAWOLLEK, 6 MINGE, 7 GWINN, 8 FELDKAMP (C), 9 SANDERS, 10 FREIGANG, 14 HECHLER, 17 NUESKEN, 20 OBERDORF

Player of the Match: Giulia Gwinn (GER)

Scorers: 0-1 69' SANDERS (9)

Referee: Anna-Marie KEIGHLEY (NZL)

Assistant referees: Kathryn NESBITT (USA), Maria SALAMASINA (SAM)

4th official: Carol Anne CHENARD (CAN)

Substitutions: **NGA:** 66' out BELLO (20), in IGBOAMALU (12), 75' out EFIH (7), in ODUEKE (19)

GER: 73' out SANDERS (9), in BUEHL (18), 83' out OBERDORF (20), in ORSCHMANN Dina (2)

Cautions: **NGA:** 52' SAHEED (10), 87' IGBOAMALU (12)

Expulsions: –

Haiti v. Nigeria 0-1 (0-1)

15 09.08.2018 16:30 SAINT-MALO 1,801

HAI: 1 THEUS; 2 MATHURIN, 4 CHARLES, 6 JOSEPH Dougenie, 9 JEUDY, 10 MONDESIR (C), 11 ELOISSAINT, 14 CAREMUS, 15 ETIENNE, 16 PIERRE JEROME, 18 DUMONAY

NGA: 16 NNADOZIE; 4 UCHEIBE, 5 MONDAY, 7 EFIH, 8 AJIBADE (C), 9 DURU, 11 AMOO, 13 OLOGBOSERE, 14 IMO, 15 SUNDAY, 17 OKEKE

Player of the Match: Chiamaka Nnadozie (NGA)

Scorers: 0-1 36' AJIBADE (8) pen.

Referee: Jana ADAMKOVA (CZE)

Assistant referees: Sanja RODAK (CRO), Petruta IUGULESCU (ROU)

4th official: Edina ALVES BATISTA (BRA)

Substitutions: **HAI:** 62' out ELOISSAINT (11), in SAINT FELIX (17), 90' out MATHURIN (2), in JEAN THOMAS (20)

NGA: 74' out MONDAY (5), in ODUEKE (19), 87' out EFIH (7), in BELLO (20), 90' out IMO (14), in FAMUDITI (6)

Cautions: **NGA:** 3' MONDAY (5), 81' SUNDAY (15)

Expulsions: –

Germany v. China PR 2-0 (2-0)

16 09.08.2018 13:30 SAINT-MALO 1,194

GER: 1 FISCHER; 4 KLEINHERNE, 5 PAWOLLEK, 6 MINGE, 7 GWINN, 8 FELDKAMP (C), 9 SANDERS, 10 FREIGANG, 14 HECHLER, 17 NUESKEN, 20 OBERDORF

CHN: 1 XU; 2 DOU, 4 WANG Linlin (C), 5 CHEN Qiaozhu, 8 SHEN, 9 JIN, 10 ZHAO, 11 XIE, 17 ZHANG, 18 YANG, 21 ZHI

Player of the Match: Janina Hechler (GER)

Scorers: 1-0 31' GWINN (7), 2-0 40' FREIGANG (10)

Referee: Carol Anne CHENARD (CAN)

Assistant referees: Kathryn NESBITT (USA), Chantal BOUDREAU (CAN)

4th official: Gladys LENGWE (ZAM)

Substitutions: **GER:** 46' HT out SANDERS (9), in BUEHL (18), 60' out NUESKEN (17), in LINDER (13), 81' out OBERDORF (20), in KOEGEL (11)

CHN: 46' HT out ZHANG (17), in WANG Yanwen (7), 78' out JIN (9), in HE (13), 79' out ZHAO (10), in LIU (6)

Cautions: **CHN:** 72' XIE (11)

Expulsions: –





Germany v. Haiti

3-2 (1-0)

23 13.08.2018 16:30 VANNES 2,752

GER: 12 LEITZIG; 2 ORSCHMANN Dina, 3 ORSCHMANN Katja, 5 PAWOLLEK, 8 FELDKAMP (C), 10 FREIGANG, 11 KOEGEL, 13 LINDER, 15 LANGE, 16 GRAF, 18 BUEHL

HAI: 1 THEUS; 3 NORTHE, 4 CHARLES, 5 DARIUS, 8 NICOLAS, 9 JEUDY, 10 MONDESIR (C), 14 CAREMUS, 15 ETIENNE, 18 DUMONAY, 20 JEAN THOMAS

Player of the Match: Nérilia Mondésir (HAI)

Scorers: 1-0 18' FREIGANG (10), 2-0 49' KOEGEL (11), 3-0 60' BUEHL (18), 3-1 63' MONDESIR (10), 3-2 73' MONDESIR (10)

Referee: Lidya Tafesse ABEBE (ETH)

Assistant referees: Mary NJOROGÉ (KEN), Queency VICTOIRE (MRI)

4th official: Ri Hyang Ok (PRK)

Substitutions: **GER:** 46' HT out FREIGANG (10), in GWINN (7), 46' HT out FELDKAMP (8), in MINGE (6), 68' out BUEHL (18), in SANDERS (9)

HAI: 46' out JEAN THOMAS (20), in GUSTAVE (19), 59' out JEUDY (9), in MATHURIN (2), 68' out NICOLAS (8), in ELOISSAINT (11)

Cautions: **GER:** 62' MINGE (6), 86' LANGE (15)

HAI: 43' DUMONAY (18), 77' MONDESIR (10)

Expulsions: –



China PR v. Nigeria

1-1 (1-0)

24 13.08.2018 16:30 DINAN-LÉHON 1,534

CHN: 1 XU; 2 DOU, 4 WANG Linlin (C), 5 CHEN Qiaozhu, 7 WANG Yanwen, 8 SHEN, 9 JIN, 10 ZHAO, 17 ZHANG, 18 YANG, 21 ZHI

NGA: 16 NNADOZIE; 4 UCHEIBE, 5 MONDAY, 7 EFIH, 8 AJIBADE (C), 9 DURU, 11 AMOO, 12 IGBOAMALU, 13 OLOGBOSERE, 15 SUNDAY, 17 OKEKE Chidinma

Player of the Match: Linyan Zhang (CHN)

Scorers: 1-0 41' ZHANG (17), 1-1 90'+5 DOU (2, own goal)

Referee: Stephanie FRAPPART (FRA)

Assistant referees: Manuela NICOLOSI (FRA), Michelle O NEILL (IRL)

4th official: Kateryna MONZUL (UKR)

Substitutions: **CHN:** 63' out ZHAO (10), in HE Xing (13), 69' out ZHI (21), in LIU (6), 90'+2 out JIN (9), in CHEN Yuanmeng (19)

NGA: 45' out MONDAY (5), in IMO (14), 72' out IGBOAMALU (12), in BELLO (20)

Cautions: **NGA:** 58' SUNDAY (15), 74' OKEKE (17)

Expulsions: –



Germany wrapped up their place in the last eight with a 1-0 win over Nigeria and a 2-0 victory over China PR and looked on course to progress with a perfect record when they raced into a 3-0 lead against Haiti. However, the proud Haitians, who were already eliminated after back-to-back defeats, put up a brave fight to bow out with their heads held high, captain Nérilia Mondésir scoring twice to make it 3-2. Second place was snatched by Nigeria with the last kick of the group, an own goal from China PR's Jiaying Dou securing the Africans the point they needed to set up a clash with Spain and send the Chinese home on goal difference.

Group D

| Rank | Team | MP | W | D | L | GF | GA | +/- | Pts |
|------|----------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Germany | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | +4 | 9 |
| 2 | Nigeria | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 4 |
| 3 | China PR | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | -1 | 4 |
| 4 | Haiti | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 6 | -3 | 0 |

QUARTER-FINALS

France v. Korea DPR

1-0 (1-0)
25 16.08.2018 19:30 CONCARNEAU 2,462

FRA: 1 CHAVAS; 2 DE ALMEIDA, 3 BACHA, 4 THIBAUD (C), 6 DAOUDI, 10 ZAMANIAN, 11 MALARD, 13 LAKRAR, 15 GAVORY, 19 DELABRE, 20 BALTIMORE

PRK: 18 KIM Yong Sun; 2 AN Kuk Hyang, 3 RYANG (C), 5 Ri Kum Hyang, 8 PANG, 9 KIM Pom Ui, 10 KIM Kyong Yong, 11 SON, 12 KO, 19 Ri Pom Hyang, 20 CHOE

Player of the Match: Sana Daoudi (FRA)

Scorers: 1-0 29' DELABRE (19, pen.)

Referee: Carol Anne CHENARD (CAN)

Assistant referees: Kathryn NESBITT (USA), Chantal BOUDREAU (CAN)

4th official: Melissa BORJAS (HON)

Reserve assistant referee: Katrin RAFALSKI (GER)

Substitutions: **FRA:** 58' out DELABRE (19), in Marie-Antoinette KATOTO (9), 75' out MALARD (11), in LAURENT (7), 81' out GAVORY (15), in POLITO (17)

PRK: 58' out KIM Pom Ui (9), in AN Myong Song (13), 61' out SON (11), in JA (7), 80' out PANG (8), in Ri Chun Gyong (6)

Cautions: **FRA:** 78' LAKRAR (13)

PRK: 71' JA (7)

Expulsions: –

The hosts made three changes from their final group fixture, with Julie Thibaud notably returning as captain in the heart of the defence and both Annahita Zamanian and Sandy Baltimore being restored to the midfield line. Their combination play and understanding were a hallmark of France's early pressure and the hosts' 64% possession in the first half was rewarded with the decisive goal in the 29th minute, a penalty converted after Baltimore's cross had been handled by Ri Pom-Hyang. It could have been two just before half-time, with Christy Gavory unable to bring another teasing Baltimore cross under control just in front of Kim Yong-Sun's goal. An improved Korea DPR sought their chances on the counter-attack in the second half and the introduction of An Myong-Song just shy of the hour mark added more impetus to an otherwise disciplined midfield, which advanced further to press their opponents in search of an equaliser. This left gaps for Baltimore and Zamanian, but neither was able to fully exploit them, while France held firm at the other end and Mylène Chavas comfortably dealt with the only serious threat to her goal, which came from a set piece.



Spain v. Nigeria 2-1 (2-0)

26 16.08.2018 16:00 CONCARNEAU 1,829

ESP: 21 COLL; 3 PUJADAS, 4 ALEXANDRI, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO, 10 OROZ, 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 14 BONMATI (C), 15 ANDUJAR, 20 PINA

NGA: 16 NNADOZIE; 4 UCHEIBE, 5 MONDAY, 6 FAMUDITI (C), 7 EFIH, 8 AJIBADE, 9 DURU, 11 AMOO, 12 IGBOAMALU, 13 OLOGBOSE, 17 OKEKE Chidinma

Player of the Match: Damaris Egurrola (ESP)

Scorers: 1-0 13' BONMATI (14), 2-0 45'+2 GUIJARRO (8), 2-1 57' EFIH (7)

Referee: QIN Liang (CHN)

Assistant referees: CUI Yongmei (CHN), FANG Yan (CHN)

4th official: Kate JACEWICZ (AUS)

Reserve assistant referee: Uvena FERNANDES (IND)

Substitutions: ESP: 21' out RODRIGUEZ Lucia (12), in NAVARRO (18), 80' out OROZ (10), in FERNANDEZ (9), 90'+2 out PINA (20), in SIERRA (5)

NGA: 49' out MONDAY (5), in IMO (14), 49' out IGBOAMALU (12), in BELLO (20)

Cautions: ESP: 72' EGURROLA (6)

NGA: 37' NNADOZIE (16), 41' EFIH (7), 45'+0 OKEKE Chidinma (17), 73' AJIBADE (8)

Expulsions: -

Spain set up a semi-final meeting with the hosts – reaching the final four for the first time ever – with a comfortable 2-1 win over Nigeria, which they nevertheless nearly let slip in the second half. Aitana Bonmatí gave La Rojita an early lead with a well-placed curling shot from the edge of the penalty area, Patricia Guijarro creating the space as she so often did. Bonmatí almost added a second with a direct free-kick before Eva Navarro was denied by Chiamaka Nnadozie in a one-on-one situation after being put through by Clàudia Pina. After Guijarro had doubled the scoreline, Nigeria reduced the arrears just before the hour mark when Peace Efih was on hand to turn home a loose ball after Catalina Coll could only parry Rasheedat Ajibade's low shot. Spain lacked their earlier conviction as the second half progressed, but Nigeria could not capitalise as Guijarro held things together in midfield and Laia Aleixandri kept things tight at the back.



England v. Netherlands

2-1 (2-1)

27 17.08.2018 16:00 VANNES 2,737

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 8 ALLEN, 9 HEMP, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY

NED: 1 KOP (C); 3 DIJKSTRA, 5 NOUWEN, 6 VAN DEURSEN, 9 SMITS, 12 YPEMA, 14 PELOVA, 15 DOORN, 17 PATTIWAEL, 18 VAN SCHOONHOVEN, 19 KALMA

Player of the Match: Georgia Stanway (ENG)

Scorers: 0-1 12' PELOVA (14), 1-1 20' STANWAY (10), 2-1 23' STANWAY (10)

Referee: RI Hyang Ok (PRK)

Assistant referees: HONG Kum Nyo (PRK), KIM Kyoung Min (KOR)

4th official: Jana ADAMKOVA (CZE)

Reserve assistant referee: Chrysoula KOUROMPYLIA (GRE)

Substitutions: ENG: 84' out RUSSO (7), in CHARLES (11), 90'+1 out KELLY (16), in BABAJIDE (17)

NED: 71' out PATTIWAEL (17), in JANSEN (7), 80' out DOORN (15), in WEERDEN (11), 87' out VAN SCHOONHOVEN (18), in VAN DEN HEUVEL (10)

Cautions: -

Expulsions: -

England recovered from an early shock, with Georgia Stanway scoring two quick-fire goals to take them through to their first ever Women's U-20 World Cup semi-final at the expense of the Netherlands. The Dutch took a 12th-minute lead when Megan Finnigan's headed clearance fell kindly for Victoria Pelova to place into the right-hand side of Sandy MacIver's goal, with the England custodian unsighted and ultimately unable to reach the well-placed effort. England responded well with their quick, direct build-up play, with Stanway frequently dropping back to start moves, but also showing her positional intelligence and refined technique to pop up in space and bring the Young Lionesses level. Stanway added persistence into the equation to put England in front three minutes later as her third attempt from Lauren Hemp's perfectly timed pass finally crossed the line. While the Netherlands enjoyed 53% of the possession, England posed more of a threat thanks to their compact midfield and controlled combination play, although no further goals were needed to see them through.



Germany v. Japan

1-3 (0-0)

28 17.08.2018 19:30 VANNES 3,211

GER: 1 FISCHER; 4 KLEINHERNE, 5 PAWOLLEK, 6 MINGE, 7 GWINN, 8 FELDKAMP (C), 10 FREIGANG, 14 HECHLER, 17 NUESKEN, 18 BUEHL, 20 OBERDORF

JPN: 18 STAMBAUGH; 4 MINAMI (C), 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 13 MIYAGAWA, 17 KITAMURA, 19 UEKI, 20 ENDO

Player of the Match: Jun Endo (JPN)

Scorers: 0-1 59' ENDO (20), 0-2 70' UEKI (19), 0-3 73' TAKARADA (11), 1-3 82' MINGE (6)

Referee: Edina ALVES BATISTA (BRA)

Assistant referees: Neuza BACK (BRA), Tatiane SACIOTTI DOS SANTOS CAMARGO (BRA)

4th official: Esther STAUBLI (SUI)

Reserve assistant referee: Luciana MASCARANA (URU)

Substitutions: GER: 66' out NUESKEN (17), in SANDERS (9), 78' out FREIGANG (10), in RIEKE (19), 85' out OBERDORF (20), in GRAF (16)

JPN: 78' out UEKI (19), in MURAOKA (14), 85' out TAKARADA (11), in KONO (16), 90'+3 out MIYAZAWA (9), in TAKAHIRA (3)

Cautions: -

Expulsions: -

After a closely matched first half, Japan turned on the style to defeat Germany and reach a second straight semi-final. Following an even opening, Japan's patient approach started to trouble Germany's defensive line, with several well-timed diagonal balls finding space on the wings and a number of mid-height crosses causing confusion in the Germany penalty area. Maren Meinert's team particularly struggled to reorganise swiftly enough in the transition from attack to defence, when they switched from three at the back to four but were caught out by Japan's quick and determined breaks. One of these diagonal balls set up Jun Endo to cut inside a challenge and beat Vanessa Fischer with a curling finish that gave Japan the lead in the 59th minute. Riko Ueki then latched onto Saori Takarada's through pass and doubled the Young Nadeshiko's advantage with a composed finish that went in off the post. The impressive display of Japan's attacking armoury was completed when Takarada met Nanami Kitamura's cross from the left wing and finished from point-blank range. Germany pulled a goal back through Janina Minge, but Japan continued to stifle their attempts to build up from the back and the Asians' anticipation, quick thinking and shrewd decision-making enabled them to remain a step ahead and move closer to the title.



SEMI-FINALS

France v. Spain 0-1 (0-0)

29 20.08.2018 19:30 VANNES 5,324

FRA: 1 CHAVAS; 2 DE ALMEIDA, 3 BACHA, 4 THIBAUD (C), 6 DAOUDI, 7 LAURENT, 8 FERCOCQ, 13 LAKRAR, 17 POLITO, 19 DELABRE, 20 BALTIMORE

ESP: 21 COLL; 3 PUJADAS, 4 ALEIXANDRI, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO, 10 OROZ (C), 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 14 BONMATI, 15 ANDUJAR, 20 PINA

Player of the Match: Catalina Coll (ESP)

Scorers: 0-1 51' GUIJARRO (8)

Referee: Melissa BORJAS (HON)

Assistant referees: Shirley PERELLO (HON), Yudilia BRIONES (MEX)

4th official: Anna-Marie KEIGHLEY (NZL)

Reserve assistant referee: Maria SALAMASINA (SAM)

Substitutions: **FRA:** 54' out DELABRE (19), in Marie-Antoinette KATOTO (9), 58' out FERCOCQ (8), in ZAMANIAN (10), 82' out DAOUDI (6), in MALARD (11)

ESP: 56' out RODRIGUEZ Lucia (12), in SIERRA (5), 70' out PINA (20), in NAVARRO (18), 83' out ANDUJAR (15), in SANCHO (19)

Cautions: **FRA:** 44' LAURENT (7), 55' LAKRAR (13)

ESP: 22' BONMATI (14), 66' PINA (20), 90'+4 COLL (21)

Expulsions: **ESP:** 69' (2YR) BONMATI (14)

of Patricia Guijarro and Aitana Bonmati in midfield – restricting the Iberians to just six shots on goal – although Sana Daoudi was unable to get enough decisive passes through to the forwards as both sides sought solutions to break the tactical deadlock. Conversely, Damaris Egurrola became a key player for Spain's build-up play. It was in no small part thanks to her positioning, judicious forward passes and well-timed runs, coupled with their overall teamwork and ability to regain possession quickly, that La Rojita ultimately prevailed. Lucía Rodríguez's cross from the right was met by the head of the influential Guijarro, who was once again in the right place at the right time to nod in off the inside of the post. Spain were forced to play the final 20 minutes with ten players after Bonmati received a second yellow card, and the hosts had an ideal opportunity to level from the penalty spot. Marie-Antoinette Katoto showed confidence in assuming responsibility for the spot-kick, but Spain's number 1 Catalina Coll rose to the challenge to deny her with what proved to be a decisive save.

Spain booked their first final appearance thanks to a disciplined performance in which their tactical preparations paid rich dividends. France struggled to get their usual wing play working effectively as Spain deployed their full-backs in more advanced positions, thus preventing Sandy Baltimore and Emelyne Laurent from being able to push forward themselves and do damage. France responded with effective blocking



England v. Japan

0-2 (0-2)

30 20.08.2018 16:00 VANNES 2,807

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 4 ROUSE, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 9 HEMP, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY

JPN: 18 STAMBAUGH; 3 TAKAHIRA, 4 MINAMI (C), 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 13 MIYAGAWA, 19 UEKI, 20 ENDO

Player of the Match: Fuka Nagano (JPN)

Scorers: 0-1 22' UEKI (19), 0-2 27' ENDO (20)

Referee: Claudia UMPIERREZ (URU)

Assistant referees: Luciana MASCARANA (URU), Monica AMBOYA (ECU)

4th official: Lidya Tafesse ABEBE (ETH)

Reserve assistant referee: Uvena FERNANDES (IND)

Substitutions: ENG: 67' out RUSSO (7), in BABAJIDE (17), 67' out KELLY (16), in CHARLES (11)

JPN: 57' out TAKAHIRA (3), in KITAMURA (17), 83' out UEKI (19), in MURAOKA (14), 90'+1 out MIYAGAWA (13), in USHIJIMA (5)

Cautions: ENG: 62' KELLY (16), 90' STANWAY (10)

Expulsions: -

England made a bright start, seeking to stamp their authority on the game with direct attacks. This almost led to an opening goal after just two minutes, with Chloe Kelly's low effort being tipped behind at full stretch by Japan goalkeeper Hannah Stambaugh. Japan soon found themselves in the ascendancy, though, and knocked England off their stride with their compact, disciplined and well-organised high pressing. England's hitherto influential midfielder Georgia Stanway could not find sufficient space to work in and Japan gradually built up their extremely effective, slick passing game, opening the scoring midway through the first half from a trademark fast and precise counter-attack. Riko Ueki provided the finish for her fifth goal of the tournament. The Young Nadeshiko doubled their lead five minutes later when Hinata Miyazawa's effort beat Sandy MacIver, but rebounded back off the crossbar to Jun Endo, who was on hand to head in from close range. Japan's ability to switch the tempo and surprise England ensured they always posed a threat and very rarely looked like conceding throughout the game. This, despite the endeavours of Lauren Hemp, who worked hard to create space in what was a much-improved second half display from Mo Marley's team, whose first semi-final appearance nevertheless ended in disappointment.



MATCH FOR THIRD PLACE

France v. England 1-1 (0-0) PSO 2-4

31 24.08.2018 16:00 VANNES 4,708

FRA: 21 LEROND; 3 BACHA, 4 THIBAUD (C), 6 DAOUDI, 7 LAURENT, 10 ZAMANIAN, 11 MALARD, 13 LAKRAR, 14 GOETSCH, 15 GAVORY, 20 BALTIMORE

ENG: 1 MACIVER; 2 PATTEN, 3 PACHECO, 4 ROUSE, 5 FISK (C), 6 FINNIGAN, 7 RUSSO, 9 HEMP, 10 STANWAY, 14 PELOW, 16 KELLY

Player of the Match: Georgia Stanway (ENG)

Scorers: 0-1 46' STANWAY (10), 1-1 68' LAURENT (7, pen.)

Penalty Shoot-out: 0-1 STANWAY (10), 1-1 THIBAUD (4), 1-2 HEMP (9), 1-2 BACHA (3), 1-2 RUSSO (7), 2-2 LAURENT (7), 2-3 PELOW (14), 2-3 DELABRE (19), 2-4 ALLEN (8)

Referee: Gladys LENGWE (ZAM)

Assistant referees: Lidwine RAKOTOZAFINORO (MAD), Bernadettar KWIMBIRA (MWI)

4th official: RI Hyang Ok (PRK)

Reserve assistant referee: HONG Kum Nyo (PRK)

Substitutions: FRA: 46' HT out LAKRAR (13), in PIGA (5), 60' out DAOUDI (6), in POLITO (17), 61' out ZAMANIAN (10), in DELABRE (19)

ENG: 90'+2 out ROUSE (4), in ALLEN (8), 90'+2 out KELLY (16), in BABAJIDE (17)

Cautions: FRA: 77' BACHA (3)

ENG: 74' PATTEN (2)

Expulsions: -

France stuck with their habitual 4-3-3 formation, although they had winger Melvine Malard at centre-forward and England's higher pressing than in previous games prevented her from giving Les Bleuettes much penetration. The hosts, urged on by over 4,000 fans at the Stade de la Rabine, had two good chances to take the lead, though, with Emelyne Laurent just missing Sandy Baltimore's cross and Annahita Zamanian bringing a save out of Sandy MacIver, who once again underlined her credentials in the England goal. At the other end, Justine Lerond was kept busy by England's lively attacking duo of Lauren Hemp and Georgia Stanway, who occupied a more advanced position than in previous matches. Indeed, Stanway broke the deadlock with her sixth goal of the tournament, producing a fine turn and shot on the edge of the penalty area after being set up by Hemp. France coach Gilles Eyquem responded by sending on Amélie Delabre and she was able to provide the cutting edge that the hosts had been lacking and earn her side a penalty. Laurent held her nerve to fire France level and force a penalty shoot-out. MacIver then came into her own and unnerved her opponents, making saves from Selma Bacha and Delabre to allow Georgia Allen, who had been brought on just seconds from time with the shoot-out in mind, to convert the decisive spot-kick and seal the bronze medal for England.



FINAL

Spain v. Japan 1-3 (0-1)

32 24.08.2018 19:30 VANNES 5,409

ESP: 21 COLL; 3 PUJADAS, 4 ALEIXANDRI, 6 EGURROLA, 8 GUIJARRO (C), 10 OROZ, 11 MENAYO, 12 RODRIGUEZ Lucia, 15 ANDUJAR, 18 NAVARRO, 20 PINA

JPN: 18 STAMBAUGH; 4 MINAMI (C), 6 TAKAHASHI, 7 HAYASHI, 9 MIYAZAWA, 10 NAGANO, 11 TAKARADA, 13 MIYAGAWA, 17 KITAMURA, 19 UEKI, 20 ENDO

Player of the Match: Saori Takarada (JPN)

Scorers: 0-1 38' MIYAZAWA (9), 0-2 57' TAKARADA (11), 0-3 65' NAGANO (10), 1-3 71' ANDUJAR (15)

Referee: Stephanie FRAPPART (FRA)

Assistant referees: Manuela NICOLOSI (FRA), Michelle O NEILL (IRL)

4th official: Edina ALVES BATISTA (BRA)

Reserve assistant referee: KIM Kyoung Min (KOR)

Substitutions: ESP: 71' out RODRIGUEZ Lucia (12), in FERNANDEZ (9), 80' out OROZ (10), in SANCHO (19)

JPN: 90' out UEKI (19), in MURAOKA (14)

Cautions: ESP: 71' RODRIGUEZ Lucia (12), 77' ALEIXANDRI (4)

JPN: 79' ENDO (20)

Expulsions: -

Japan's electrifying combination play was the talk of the tournament heading into the showpiece, but Spain would win many fans with the way they stifled their threat and ensured a highly entertaining conclusion to the World Cup. With 61% of the possession, La Rojita harrowed and harried their opponents with an effective high press, which dragged the Young Nadeshiko out of their comfort zone and prevented

them from circulating the ball as they would have liked. Patricia Guijarro, Maite Oroz and Eva Navarro were all denied goals by an excellent Hannah Stambaugh between the Japan sticks, as Spain took the game to their opponents and went close to scoring. Failing to do so would haunt them, though, as Japan took the lead after one of their textbook combinations led to Hinata Miyazawa receiving the ball just outside the penalty area. Just as she had done in the semi-final, the 18-year-old took aim and this time she found the target, with her shot dipping below the crossbar and just beyond the fingertips of Catalina Coll. Jun Endo would have doubled Japan's advantage just before half-time but for an excellent stop from Coll in a one-on-one situation. A second goal just shy of the hour mark from Saori Takarada gave Futoshi Ikeda's side confidence, which was evident in the way Takarada neatly sent the ball square for Fuka Nagano to lob first-time over Coll for a third. Spain were down but most certainly not out and after Candela Andújar pulled a goal back, they went agonisingly close to grabbing a second, only for Stambaugh to get a crucial touch to Clàudia Pina's shot to divert it onto the crossbar. Spain persisted and Guijarro and Damaris Egurrola carved out opportunities, but the best fell at the other end for Honoka Hayashi, who was denied by Coll from close range. Japan held on to become the first nation to win the treble of the FIFA Women's World Cup™ (2011), U-20 Women's World Cup and U-17 Women's World Cup (2014).



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