

History of FOOTBALL World Cup

The **FIFA World Cup** was first held in 1930, when FIFA president Jules Rimet decided to stage an international football tournament. The inaugural edition, held in 1930, was contested as a final tournament of only thirteen teams invited by the organization. Since then, the World Cup has experienced successive expansions and format remodeling to its current 32-team final tournament preceded by a two-year qualifying process, involving over 200 teams from around the world.

The first official international football match was played in 1872 in Glasgow between Scotland and England, although at this stage the sport was rarely played outside Great Britain.

By 1900, however, football had gained ground all around the world and national football associations were being founded. The first official international match outside the British Isles was played between Uruguay and Argentina in Montevideo in July 1902. FIFA was founded in Paris on 22 May 1904 – comprising football associations from France, Belgium (the preceding two teams having played their first international against each other earlier in the month), Denmark, the Netherlands, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland, with Germany pledging to join.

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President of FIFA - Gianni Infantino of Switzerland / Italy from 2016 to at present.

General Secretary - Fatma Samoura of Senegal from 2016 to at present.

FIFA World Cup Champions List

Year	Host	Winner
1930	Uruguay	Uruguay
1934	Italy	Italy
1938	France	Italy
1950	Brazil	Uruguay
1954	Switzerland	West Germany
1958	Sweden	Brazil
1962	Chile	Brazil

1966	England	England
1970	Mexico	Brazil
1974	West Germany	West Germany
1978	Argentina	Argentina
1982	Spain	Italy
1986	Mexico	Argentina
1990	Italy	West Germany
1994	United States	Brazil
1998	France	France
2002	South Korea & Japan	Brazil
2006	Germany	Italy
2010	South Africa	Spain
2014	Brazil	Germany
2018	Russia	????

FIFA World Cup Champions Team

Country	No of FIFA World Cup
Brazil	5
West Germany	4
Italy	4
Uruguay	2
Argentina	2
Spain	1
France	1
England	1
Total	20

FIFA Golden Ball and Golden Boot Winners

Year	Golden Ball	Golden Shoe/ Boot
1982	Paolo Rossi	Paolo Rossi
1986	Diego Maradona	Gary Linekar
1990	Salvatore Schillaci	Salvatore Schillaci
1994	Romario	Oleg Salenko & Hristo Stoichkov
1998	Ronaldo	Davor Suker
2002	Oliver Khan	Ronaldo
2006	Zinedine Zidane	Miroslav Klose
2010	Diego Forlan	Thomas Muller
2014	Lionel Messi	James Rodriguez