

# SWITZERLAND - CZECH REPUBLIC

## MATCH PRESS KIT

St. Jakob-Park, Basel

Saturday 7 June 2008 - 18.00CET (18.00 local time)

Group A - Matchday 1



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### Match background

The long wait will be over when UEFA EURO 2008™ opens in Basel on 7 June with the Group A encounter between the Czech Republic and tournament co-hosts Switzerland at St. Jakob-Park.

- Jakob Kuhn's Switzerland side will be desperate for a positive start to 'their' tournament when they raise the curtain on the 31-match, 23-day football festival, yet they face daunting opposition in a Czech Republic side who reached the semi-finals at UEFA EURO 2004™ and finished as one of the seven group winners in qualifying for this event.
- Switzerland qualified automatically for the finals as co-hosts. This is their third finals appearance and they will be hoping it proves third time lucky after two previous first-round exits in 1996 and 2004, on both occasions following up an opening draw with two defeats.
- Karel Brückner's Czech Republic side qualified as winners of Group D, where they finished two points clear of Germany having won nine and lost just one of 12 qualifying games. They sealed their finals place in memorable fashion on 17 October 2007, beating Germany 3-0 in Munich through goals from Libor Sionko, Marek Matějovský and Jaroslav Plašil.
- This is the Czechs' fourth successive appearance in the UEFA European Championship finals, their best performance to date coming in 1996 when they finished runners-up to Germany following a 2-1 final defeat at Wembley Stadium. After a first-round exit in 2000, the Czechs reached the last four in 2004, where they succumbed 1-0 to eventual winners Greece.
- As part of the former state of Czechoslovakia, Czech football celebrated winning the European crown in 1976. Czechoslovakia defeated West Germany in the final that year, Antonín Panenka's spot-kick securing a 5-3 shoot-out triumph following a 2-2 draw in Belgrade.
- Switzerland reached the Round of 16 of the 2006 FIFA World Cup. Kuhn's men won their group – drawing with France and beating Togo and Korea Republic – but then went down to Ukraine in a penalty shoot-out in which they failed to score, following a goalless draw. That stalemate on 26 June 2006, which marked their most recent competitive appearance, meant they exited the finals without conceding a goal.
- The Czech Republic had a disappointing World Cup campaign in 2006, falling at the group stage after the promise of an opening win against the United States vanished with defeats by Ghana and Italy.
- Switzerland have faced the Czech Republic three times before, with the Swiss winning their first contest in Zurich 3-0 in April 1994. The Czechs then recorded a 2-1 victory in Basel in June 1996 before prevailing 3-0 in their most recent meeting in Drnovice on 18 August 1999. Current Czech international Jan Koller broke the deadlock, before a Stefan Wolf own goal and Miroslav Baranek effort completed the scoring.



- The teams for that 1999 fixture were:

Czech Republic: Ladislav Maier, Marek Nikl, Jan Suchopárek, Pavel Nedvěd (Pavel Horváth), Karel Rada, Radek Slončík (Tomáš Galásek), Jiří Němec (Roman Týce), Karel Poborský (Miroslav Baranek), Pavel Kuka (René Wagner), Jan Koller (Vratislav Lokvenc), Radek Bejbl.

Switzerland: Stefan Huber (Andreas Hilfiker), Sebastien Jeanneret (Marco Zwysig), Régis Rothenbühler (Thomas Wyss), Stefan Wolf, Marc Hodel, Johann Vogel (Boris Smiljanic), Fabio Celestini, Raphael Wicky, Stéphane Chapuisat (Alexandre Rey), Ciriaco Sforza, Alexandre Comisetti (Sascha Müller).

- Switzerland had an inferior record against Czechoslovakia, their 27 matches played between 1924 and 1991 producing seven wins, six draws and 14 defeats.

- The only match between Switzerland and Czechoslovakia at a major tournament was the 1934 World Cup quarter-final between the sides, which Czechoslovakia won 3-2.

- This Group A match pits several club colleagues against each other, with Christoph Spycher (SUI) and Martin Fenin (CZE) playing together at Eintracht Frankfurt. Depending on his recovery from injury, Switzerland defender Patrick Müller could face his former Olympique Lyonnais team-mate Milan Baroš in the Czech attack.

- Philipp Degen (SUI) and Jan Koller (CZE) played together at BV Borussia Dortmund, while Alexander Frei (SUI) and Petr Čech (CZE) were colleagues at Stade Rennais FC.

- Philippe Senderos was part of the Arsenal FC team that beat AC Sparta Praha 3-0 in London in the third qualifying round of the UEFA Champions League on 29 August 2007. Czech Republic duo Michal Kadlec and Zdeněk Pospěch all featured on the losing side.

- Czech pair Tomáš Galásek and Jan Polák were in the 1. FC Nürnberg team that got the better of Swiss international Ludovic Magnin's VfB Stuttgart side with a 3-2 victory in the 2007 German Cup final.

- Switzerland's Johan Vonlanthen holds the record for being the youngest goalscorer at a UEFA European Championship final tournament. He was 18 years and 141 days old when he found the net in Switzerland's 3-1 defeat by France on 21 June 2004.

- The host team have won the opening match only twice in six attempts since the tradition was established in 1984. France (1984) and Belgium (2000) both recorded victories, with three draws and one defeat for the hosts. That loss came in 2004 when Portugal went down 2-1 to Greece.

- Only Spain (1964), Italy (1968 and France (1984) have claimed the European title as hosts.

- This is the 13th edition of the UEFA European Championship and the eighth edition that features a final tournament with a group phase.

## Match facts

### SWITZERLAND

#### UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying statistics

N/A

#### Latest information

- A crowd of 5,000 turned out on Tuesday to watch Switzerland train.
- Alexander Frei overtook Kubilay Türkyilmaz as Switzerland's record goalscorer with two goals against Liechtenstein on 30 May to take his tally to 35 goals, one more than Türkyilmaz. The BV Borussia Dortmund had been stuck one behind Türkyilmaz for over 13 months, when he struck from the penalty spot versus Colombia.

#### Injury news

- Patrick Müller played two friendlies in the run-up to the finals, though he is yet to recover full fitness after suffering a cruciate ligament injury in December. He has not played for club side Olympique Lyonnais since the opening day of the Ligue 1 season on 5 August.
- Tranquillo Barnetta returned to team training on Wednesday after a fortnight out with a left ankle problem.

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- Steve von Bergen (broken hand), Fabio Coltorti (post-viral fatigue) and Blaise Nkufo (torn thigh muscle) were all ruled out before the finals.

### Friendly results

30.05.2008 Switzerland 3–0 Liechtenstein (Frei 2, Vonlanthen)  
24.05.2008 Switzerland 2–0 Slovakia (Behrami, Frei)  
26.03.2008 Switzerland 0–4 Germany  
06.02.2008 England 2–1 Switzerland (Derdiyok)  
20.11.2007 Switzerland 0–1 Nigeria  
17.10.2007 Switzerland 0-1 USA  
13.10.2007 Switzerland 3–1 Austria (Streller 2, Yakin)  
11.09.2007 Switzerland 3–4 Japan (Magnin, Nkufo, Djourou)  
07.09.2007 Switzerland 2–1 Chile (Barnetta, Streller)  
22.08.2007 Switzerland 2–1 Netherlands (Barnetta 2)  
02.06.2007 Switzerland 1–1 Argentina (Streller)  
25.03.2007 Columbia 3–1 Switzerland (Frei)  
22.03.2007 Jamaica 0–2 Switzerland (Streller, Inler)  
07.02.2007 Germany 3–1 Switzerland (Streller)  
15.11.2006 Switzerland 1–2 Brazil (Maicon og)  
11.10.2006 Austria 2–1 Switzerland (Streller)  
06.09.2006 Switzerland 2–0 Costa Rica (Streller, Frei)  
02.09.2006 Switzerland 1–0 Venezuela (Frei)  
16.08.2006 Liechtenstein 0–3 Switzerland (Frei 2, Margairaz)

### Miscellaneous

- Jakob Kuhn insisted he remains 100 per cent committed to his UEFA EURO 2008™ duties despite his wife being hospitalised on 2 June. Her condition is described as "under control".

### Domestic information

- Benjamin Huggel, Eren Derdiyok and Marco Streller were all members of the FC Basel 1893 side that won the Swiss Super League.
- That meant BSC Young Boys had to settle for second yet Hakan Yakin earned some consolation as he finished as the Super League's top scorer, scoring 24 goals in 32 league appearances.
- Müller played just one game – the opening match of the season against AJ Auxerre – as Olympique Lyonnais won the double in France. He played 90 minutes of the domestic Super Cup victory against FC Sochaux-Montbéliard.
- Frei spent much of BV Borussia Dortmund's 2007/08 campaign on the sidelines, but returned to score six goals in eight appearances to stave off the threat of relegation. He could even have ended up with a winners' medal but Dortmund were edged out by FC Bayern München in the German Cup final, 2-1 after extra time.
- Neuchâtel Xamax FC finished eighth in Switzerland with Pascal Zuberbühler set to leave as a free agent this summer.

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#### UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying statistics

- Two Czech Republic players appeared in all 12 matches in qualifying Group D: Jaroslav Plašil and David Rozehnal. Neither played all 1,080 minutes.
- Two of the final 23-man squad did not feature in qualifying: Václav Svěrkůš and Rudolf Skácel.
- Jan Koller struck six goals in qualifying, with David Healy of Northern Ireland finishing as the top scorer on 13 goals.
- Koller provided four assists with Slovakia's Ján Kozák leading the way in that regard with seven.
- The Czech Republic striker also committed 36 fouls in qualifying, more than any other player.
- Koller was caught offside 19 times with Healy the most penalised player in that respect having been flagged on 27 occasions.
- The Czech Republic managed 27 qualifying goals at an average of 2.25 goals per game. Germany finished as the highest scorers with 35 goals.

- Karel Brückner's side conceded only five times, the best defensive record in qualifying along with France and the Netherlands.
- The Czechs had 85 shots wide in qualifying, fewer only than Portugal (112 shots) and Germany (89).
- Of the 16 sides who will be at UEFA EURO 2008™ the Czech Republic committed the most fouls in qualifying having been penalised on 187 occasions. Scotland led the way overall having conceded 203 fouls.
- The Czechs nevertheless collected only 14 yellow cards, more only than Croatia (seven) and France (eight).

### Latest information

- With Tomáš Rosický ruled out through a hamstring injury, Tomáš Ujfaluši was handed the captain's armband for the finals.

### Injury news

- Daniel Pudil was ruled out of the finals when he broke his hand as he celebrated SK Slavia Praha's league triumph. Skácel was drafted into replace him.

### Friendly results

30.05.2008 Czech Republic 3-1 Scotland (Sionko 2, Kadlec)  
27.05.2008 Czech Republic 2-0 Lithuania (Koller 2)  
26.03.2008 Denmark 1-1 Czech Republic (Koller)  
06.02.2008 Czech Republic 0-2 Poland

### Miscellaneous

- Marek Jankulovski was named the Czech Republic's 2007 Footballer of the Year on 28 May, becoming the first defender to collect the award since Ján Kocián in 1990. Brückner was honoured as the Czech Republic's best coach for the seventh time in eight seasons and Martin Fenin was chosen as Young Player of the Year.
- Karel Poborský's famous lob against Portugal at EURO '96™ has been voted the best individual goal in the latest Carlsberg Goal of the Day poll on euro2008.com.

### Domestic information

- Tomáš Sivok and Michal Kadlec both won the Czech Cup with AC Sparta Praha, Kadlec scoring the decisive penalty in the shoot-out that followed a goalless draw against FC Slovan Liberec in the final.
- Sivok had been at Sparta on loan from Udinese Calcio, but on the eve of the finals he signed a four-year deal with Beşiktaş JK.
- Stanislav Vlček claimed a Czech 1. Liga winners' medal with SK Slavia Praha despite leaving to join RSC Anderlecht in January.
- Indeed, Vlček had the unusual pleasure of winning trophies with different clubs in the same season as an Anderlecht side also including compatriot Jan Polák won the Belgian Cup. Polák scored in the 3-2 win against KAA Gent in the final.
- In England, Milan Baroš lifted the FA Cup after joining Portsmouth FC from Olympique Lyonnais in January.
- After helping ACF Fiorentina claim a UEFA Champions League qualifying place, Ujfaluši announced he will leave on a free transfer this summer "I still have to decide which club, but I will certainly move to Spain," he said.

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### Squad list

#### Switzerland

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	BL	UEFA EURO 2008™				Overall Team	
						Qual. Pld	Qual. Gls	FT Pld	FT Gls		
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
1	Diego <b>Benaglio</b>	08.09.1983	24	VfL Wolfsburg	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
18	Pascal <b>Zuberbühler</b>	08.01.1971	37	Neuchâtel Xamax FC	-	-	-	-	-	50	-
21	Eldin <b>Jakupovic</b>	02.10.1984	23	FC Lokomotiv Moskva	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
2	Johan <b>Djourou</b>	18.01.1987	21	Arsenal FC	-	-	-	-	-	17	1
3	Ludovic <b>Magnin</b>	20.04.1979	29	VfB Stuttgart	-	-	-	-	-	50	3
4	Philippe <b>Senderos</b>	14.02.1985	23	Arsenal FC	-	-	-	-	-	28	3
5	Stephan <b>Lichtsteiner</b>	16.01.1984	24	LOSC Lille Métropole	-	-	-	-	-	12	-
13	Stéphane <b>Grichting</b>	30.03.1979	29	AJ Auxerre	-	-	-	-	-	18	-
17	Christoph <b>Spycher</b>	30.03.1978	30	Eintracht Frankfurt	-	-	-	-	-	39	-
20	Patrick <b>Müller</b>	17.12.1976	31	Olympique Lyonnais	-	-	-	-	-	78	3
23	Philipp <b>Degen</b>	15.02.1983	25	BV Borussia Dortmund	-	-	-	-	-	30	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
6	Benjamin <b>Huggel</b>	07.07.1977	30	FC Basel 1893	-	-	-	-	-	25	-
7	Ricardo <b>Cabanas</b>	17.01.1979	29	Grasshopper-Club	-	-	-	-	-	49	4
8	Gökhan <b>Inler</b>	27.06.1984	23	Udinese Calcio	-	-	-	-	-	17	1
10	Hakan <b>Yakin</b>	22.02.1977	31	BSC Young Boys	-	-	-	-	-	66	15
14	Daniel <b>Gygax</b>	28.08.1981	26	FC Metz	-	-	-	-	-	34	5
15	Gelson <b>Fernandes</b>	02.09.1986	21	FC Sion	-	-	-	-	-	8	-
16	Tranquillo <b>Barnetta</b>	22.05.1985	23	Bayer 04 Leverkusen	-	-	-	-	-	32	6
19	Valon <b>Behrami</b>	19.04.1985	23	S.S. Lazio	-	-	-	-	-	16	2
22	Johan <b>Vonlanthen</b>	01.02.1986	22	FC Salzburg	-	-	-	-	-	30	6
<b>Forwards</b>											
9	Alexander <b>Frei</b>	15.07.1979	28	BV Borussia Dortmund	-	-	-	-	-	59	35
11	Marco <b>Streller</b>	18.06.1981	26	FC Basel 1893	-	-	-	-	-	28	11
12	Eren <b>Derdiyok</b>	12.06.1988	19	FC Basel 1893	-	-	-	-	-	3	1
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Jakob Kuhn	12.10.1943	64	SUI	-	-	-	-	-	3	-

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<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
1	Petr Čech	20.05.1982	26	Chelsea FC	-	10	-	-	-	59	-
16	Jaromír Blažek	29.12.1972	35	1. FC Nürnberg	-	1	-	-	-	14	-
23	Daniel Zítka	20.06.1975	32	RSC Anderlecht	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
2	Zdeněk Grygera	14.05.1980	28	Juventus	-	4	1	-	-	53	2
6	Marek Jankulovski	09.05.1977	31	AC Milan	-	9	2	-	-	64	10
12	Zdeněk Pospěch	14.12.1978	29	FC København	-	3	-	-	-	8	-
13	Michal Kadlec	13.12.1984	23	AC Sparta Praha	-	2	-	-	-	6	1
21	Tomáš Ujfaluši	24.03.1978	30	ACF Fiorentina	-	10	-	-	-	68	2
22	David Rozehnal	05.07.1980	27	S.S. Lazio	-	12	-	-	-	45	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
3	Jan Polák	14.03.1981	27	RSC Anderlecht	-	9	1	-	-	38	6
4	Tomáš Galásek	15.01.1973	35	1. FC Nürnberg	-	9	-	-	-	66	1
5	Radoslav Kováč	27.11.1979	28	FC Spartak Moskva	-	10	1	-	-	23	1
14	David Jarolím	17.05.1979	29	Hamburger SV	-	6	1	-	-	16	1
17	Marek Matějovský	20.12.1981	26	Reading FC	-	4	1	-	-	10	1
18	Tomáš Sivok	15.09.1983	24	AC Sparta Praha	-	2	-	-	-	6	-
19	Rudolf Skácel	17.07.1979	28	Hertha BSC Berlin	-	-	-	-	-	5	1
20	Jaroslav Plašil	05.01.1982	26	CA Osasuna	-	12	1	-	-	37	2
<b>Forwards</b>											
7	Libor Sionko	01.02.1977	31	FC København	-	5	3	-	-	30	6
8	Martin Fenin	16.04.1987	21	Eintracht Frankfurt	-	3	-	-	-	5	-
9	Jan Koller	30.03.1973	35	1. FC Nürnberg	-	11	6	-	-	87	54
10	Václav Svěrkoš	01.11.1983	24	FC Baník Ostrava	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
11	Stanislav Vít	26.02.1976	32	RSC Anderlecht	-	4	-	-	-	10	-
15	Milan Baroš	28.10.1981	26	Portsmouth FC	-	8	3	-	-	64	31
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Karel Brückner	13.11.1939	68	CZE	-	12	-	-	-	5	-

Head coach

**Switzerland: Jakob Kuhn**

**Date of birth:** 12 October 1943

**Nationality:** Swiss

**Playing career:** FC Zürich, Grasshopper-Club

**Coaching career:** FC Zürich (youth teams), Switzerland Under-21, Switzerland

Jakob Kuhn will be looking for a successful last hurrah with Switzerland after deciding to step down after the finals, saying: "I have promised my wife that I'll call it a day after UEFA EURO 2008™."

Switzerland had not had a homegrown coach since 1989 prior to Kuhn taking the job in summer 2001 following the resignation of Argentinian Enzo Trossero. Having previously turned down an offer to be Trossero's assistant, Kuhn showed he was right to go it alone, earning Switzerland their first place at a major finals tournament since EURO '96™ when he oversaw their qualification for UEFA EURO 2004™ and then repeating the trick by leading them to the 2006 FIFA World Cup finals.

After a succession of foreign coaches – Uli Stielike, Roy Hodgson, Gilbert Gress and Trossero – Kuhn was plucked from the relative obscurity of the Swiss Under-21 coaching post to lead the senior team. Kuhn duly took a scythe to the Swiss squad, removing some of the older players and bringing young talent in; indeed he is hoping elements of the side that won the 2002 UEFA European Under-17 Championship can help Switzerland shine as UEFA EURO 2008™ co-hosts. As a player, Kuhn was a skilful midfielder who won six league titles and five Swiss Cups over 16 years and 500 games with FC Zürich. Capped 63 times by Switzerland, he also played twice in the semi-finals of the European Champion Clubs' Cup, against Real Madrid CF in 1962/63 and Liverpool FC in 1976/77.

**Czech Republic: Karel Brückner**

**Date of birth:** 13 November 1939

**Nationality:** Czech

**Playing career:** SK Sigma Olomouc, FC Baník Ostrava

**Coaching career:** SK Sigma Olomouc (five times), FK Prostějov, 1. FC Brno, Czech Republic Under-21 (twice), MŠK Žilina, FC Baník Ostrava, FK Drnovice, AŠK Inter Bratislava, Czech Republic

Karel Brückner seems to know exactly what makes one of Europe's most enigmatic football nations tick. Having worked with many of the Czech Republic squad for a decade, first as Under-21 coach and now with the seniors, Brückner has an impressive record of achievement that he maintained during qualifying for UEFA EURO 2008™. The Czechs advanced winners of Group D, finishing ahead of a Germany side whom they defeated 3-0 in Munich to secure qualification in style.

Under Brückner's guidance they came close to reaching the final of UEFA EURO 2004™ too, losing to Greece in the semi-finals. Despite their first-round exit at the 2006 FIFA World Cup, where their prospects were hit by injury problems, Brückner immediately agreed a new two-year contract, although he will step down after this summer's finals.

By no means an outstanding player, Brückner made his name as a coach with hometown team SK Sigma Olomouc, leading them to the top division in the former Czechoslovakia in 1984. He took Sigma to the quarter-finals of the UEFA Cup in 1991/92 where they succumbed to Real Madrid CF. Spells at FK Drnovice and Slovakian side AŠK Inter Bratislava followed but he returned to Olomouc in 1995, leading them to second place in the Czech top flight - their best ever finish - before being hired by the Football Association of the Czech Republic in 1997.

He moulded the Czech U21 side into a force but by the time they won the UEFA European Under-21 Championship in Switzerland in 2002, Brückner – nicknamed Klekí Petra for his resemblance to a native American teacher in a popular Czech television show – had replaced Jozef Chovanec as senior national team coach. Since then, Brückner's judgement has rarely failed him. Still living in Olomouc, the veteran continues to incorporate the best of the young talent at his disposal. His side shone at UEFA EURO 2004™ and will hope to do the same four years on.

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### Match officials

### Referee

Name	Nat.	Date of birth
Roberto Rosetti	ITA	18.09.1967

Match-by-match lineups

**Final tournament Group A**

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Switzerland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Czech Republic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
07.06.2008	Switzerland - Czech Republic	-	St. Jakob-Park, Basel
07.06.2008	Portugal - Turkey	-	Stade de Genève, Geneva
11.06.2008	Czech Republic - Portugal	-	Stade de Genève, Geneva
11.06.2008	Switzerland - Turkey	-	St. Jakob-Park, Basel
15.06.2008	Switzerland - Portugal	-	St. Jakob-Park, Basel
15.06.2008	Turkey - Czech Republic	-	Stade de Genève, Geneva

**Qualifying round Czech Republic**

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Czech Republic	12	9	2	1	27	5	29
Germany	12	8	3	1	35	7	27
Republic of Ireland	12	4	5	3	17	14	17
Slovakia	12	5	1	6	33	23	16
Wales	12	4	3	5	18	19	15
Cyprus	12	4	2	6	17	24	14
San Marino	12	0	0	12	2	57	0

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
02.09.2006	Czech Republic - Wales	2-1	Na Stínadlech, Teplice
<b>Goals:</b> 1-0 Lafata 76, 1-1 Jiránek 85 (o.g.) , 2-1 Lafata 89			
<b>Czech Republic:</b> Čech, Galásek (Kováč 87), Jankulovski, Štajner (Sionko 45+2), Koller, Rosický, Jiránek, Kulič (Lafata 75), Plašil, Ujfaluši, Rozehnal			
06.09.2006	Slovakia - Czech Republic	0-3	Tehelné Pole, Bratislava
<b>Goals:</b> 0-1 Sionko 10, 0-2 Sionko 21, 0-3 Koller 57			
<b>Czech Republic:</b> Čech, Jankulovski, Jiránek, Ujfaluši, Rozehnal, Polák (Kováč 72), Galásek, Sionko (Štajner 77), Rosický, Plašil, Koller			
07.10.2006	Czech Republic - San Marino	7-0	U Nisy, Liberec
<b>Goals:</b> 1-0 Kulič 15, 2-0 Polák 22, 3-0 Baroš 28, 4-0 Koller 43, 5-0 Jarolím 49, 6-0 Koller 52, 7-0 Baroš 68			
<b>Czech Republic:</b> Čech, Ujfaluši, Grygera, Rozehnal (Zápotočný 45), Jankulovski, Jarolím, Polák, Rosický (Plašil 63), Baroš, Kulič (Lafata 45), Koller			
11.10.2006	Republic of Ireland - Czech Republic	1-1	Lansdowne Road, Dublin
<b>Goals:</b> 1-0 Kilbane 62, 1-1 Koller 64			
<b>Czech Republic:</b> Čech, Polák, Ujfaluši, Kováč, Jankulovski, Jiránek, Rosický, Plašil (Grygera 85), Rozehnal, Koller, Baroš (Jarolím 82)			
24.03.2007	Czech Republic - Germany	1-2	Sparta Stadium, Prague
<b>Goals:</b> 0-1 Kuranyi 42, 0-2 Kuranyi 62, 1-2 Baroš 77			
<b>Czech Republic:</b> Čech, Ujfaluši (Viček 84), Jiránek, Rozehnal, Jankulovski, Sionko (Plašil 46), Rosický, Galásek (Kulič 62), Polák, Koller, Baroš			

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28.03.2007 Czech Republic - Cyprus

1-0

U Nisy, Liberec

**Goals:** 1-0 Kováč 22

**Czech Republic:** Čech, Ujfaluši, Grygera (Kováč 12), Rozehnal, Jankulovski, Galásek, Rosický, Polák, Jarolím, Koller, Baroš (Plašil 77)

02.06.2007 Wales - Czech Republic

0-0

Millennium, Cardiff

**Goals:** -

**Czech Republic:** Čech, Ujfaluši, Kováč, Jankulovski, Rozehnal, Polák (Jarolím 65), Sivok (Matějovský 83), Rosický, Plašil, Koller, Baroš (Kulič 46)

08.09.2007 San Marino - Czech Republic

0-3

Olimpico, Serravalle

**Goals:** 0-1 Rosický 33, 0-2 Jankulovski 75, 0-3 Koller 90+3

**Czech Republic:** Čech, Ujfaluši, Rozehnal, Kováč, Jankulovski, Galásek (Plašil 82), Rosický, Jarolím (Polák 69), Kulič (Vlček 56), Fenin, Koller

12.09.2007 Czech Republic - Republic of Ireland

1-0

Sparta Stadium, Prague

**Goals:** 1-0 Jankulovski 15

**Czech Republic:** Čech, Ujfaluši, Rozehnal, Kováč, Jankulovski, Sionko (Vlček 74), Galásek (Sivok 46), Rosický, Polák, Plašil, Baroš (Jarolím 89)

17.10.2007 Germany - Czech Republic

0-3

Allianz Arena, Munich

**Goals:** 0-1 Sionko 2, 0-2 Matějovský 23, 0-3 Plašil 63

**Czech Republic:** Čech, Kováč, Rozehnal, Ujfaluši, Pospěch, Galásek, Pudil (Kulič 73), Matějovský, Sionko (Vlček 58), Plašil, Koller (Fenin 79)

17.11.2007 Czech Republic - Slovakia

3-1

Sparta Stadium, Prague

**Goals:** 1-0 Grygera 13, 2-0 Kulič 76, 2-1 Kadlec 79 (o.g.) , 3-1 Rosický 83

**Czech Republic:** Blažek, Pospěch, Kováč, Rozehnal, Grygera (Kadlec 45), Polák (Matějovský 86), Galásek, Rosický, Plašil, Koller, Baroš (Kulič 70)

21.11.2007 Cyprus - Czech Republic

0-2

GSP, Nicosia

**Goals:** 0-1 Pudil 11, 0-2 Koller 74

**Czech Republic:** Zítka, Pospěch, Kováč, Rozehnal, Kadlec, Plašil (Kladrubský 87), Galásek, Matějovský, Pudil, Kulič (Baroš 57), Koller (Fenin 76)

### Competition facts

#### UEFA European Championship: Did you know?

- Only three sides have ever won the UEFA European Championship on home soil: Spain (1964), Italy (1968) and France (1984).
- No side has ever retained the trophy, and no player has appeared in two victorious UEFA European Championship finals.
- Since 1980, when the final tournament expanded to become an eight-team event, the hosts have only failed to reach the semi-finals – or better – twice. Italy finished second in Group 2 in 1980, when only the top side in each of the sections progressed to the final, and in 2000 Belgium – co-hosts with the Netherlands, who did reach the semi-finals – finished third in their section.
- UEFA EURO 2008™ is Germany's tenth successive UEFA European Championship final tournament, more appearances than any other side – they last missed out as West Germany in 1968. The Netherlands are taking part in the finals for the sixth successive edition.
- Italy are bidding to become only the third team to hold the UEFA European Championship and FIFA World Cup at the same time. West Germany won the European title in 1972 and added the world crown two years later, while France claimed the 1998 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000™.
- A total of 15 players appeared in both those finals; for West Germany, Sepp Maier, Franz Beckenbauer, Hans-Georg Schwarzenbeck, Paul Breitner, Uli Hoeness and Gerd Müller played in each, while Fabien Barthez, Marcel Desailly, Bixente Lizarazu, Lilian Thuram, Didier Deschamps, Youri Djorkaeff, Patrick Vieira, Zinédine Zidane and Christophe Dugarry also achieved the feat for France.
- Having played in Manchester United FC's UEFA Champions League final victory in Moscow on 21 May, Edwin van der Sar, Patrice Evra, Nani and Cristiano Ronaldo can join the exclusive band of five players who have appeared in European Champion Clubs' Cup and UEFA European Championship final victories in the same year: Luis Suárez achieved the feat with FC Internazionale Milano and Spain in 1964, while in 1988 PSV Eindhoven quartet Hans van Breukelen, Ronald Koeman, Barry van Aerle and Gerald Vanenburg were all in the victorious Netherlands side.
- Wim Kieft and Nicolas Anelka came agonisingly close to joining this club. A European Cup finalist with PSV in 1988, Kieft was an unused substitute in the Netherlands European Championship triumph, while Nicolas Anelka was to be similarly thwarted with France in 2000 after appearing in Real Madrid CF's UEFA Champions League final. Anelka's Madrid team-mate from 2000, Christian Karembeu, holds the as yet unique position of being an unused substitute in both European Cup and European Championship final victories in the same year.
- **Fastest goal in an opening match**  
**7 minutes:** Giorgos Karagounis (Portugal 1-2 **Greece**, Lisbon, 12.06.2004)  
**11 minutes:** Milan Galić (France 4-5 **Yugoslavia**, Paris, 06.07.1960)  
**19 minutes:** Anton Ondruš (**Czechoslovakia** 3-1 Netherlands, Zagreb, 16.06.1976)

#### UEFA European Championship final tournament: All-time records

##### • Leading scorer in a final tournament

- 1960:** 2 François Heutte (FRA), Viktor Ponedelnik (URS), Valentin Ivanov (URS), Drazen Jerković (YUG)
- 1964:** 2 Jesús María Pereda (ESP), Ferenc Bene (HUN), Deszö Novák (HUN)
- 1968:** 2 Dragan Džajić (YUG)
- 1972:** 4 Gerd Müller (FRG)
- 1976:** 4 Dieter Müller (FRG)
- 1980:** 3 Klaus Allofs (FRG)
- 1984:** 9 Michel Platini (FRA)
- 1988:** 5 Marco van Basten (NED)
- 1992:** 3 Henrik Larsen (DEN), Karl-Heinz Riedle (GER), Dennis Bergkamp (NED), Tomas Brodin (SWE)
- 1996:** 5 Alan Shearer (ENG)
- 2000:** 5 Patrick Kluivert (NED), Savo Milošević (YUG)
- 2004:** 5 Milan Baroš (CZE)

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### • Oldest player to appear:

**39yrs 91days:** Lothar Matthäus (Portugal 3-0 **Germany**, 20.06.2000)

**38yrs 308days:** Morten Olsen (Italy 2-0 **Denmark**, 17.06.1988)

**38yrs 271days:** Peter Shilton (**England** 1-3 Netherlands, 15.06.1988)

### • Youngest player to appear:

**18yrs 115days:** Enzo Scifo (**Belgium** 2-0 Yugoslavia, 13.06.1984)

**18yrs 128days:** Valeri Bozhinov (Sweden 2-1 **Bulgaria**, 14.06.2004)

**18yrs 137days:** Johan Vonlanthen (England 3-0 **Switzerland**, 17.06.2004)

**18yrs 233days:** Wayne Rooney (France 2-1 **England**, 13.06.2004)

### • Oldest player to score:

**34yrs 213days:** Nené (**Portugal** 1-0 Romania, 20.06.1984)

**34yrs 205days:** Laurent Blanc (**France** 3-0 Denmark, 11.06.2000)

**34yrs 92days:** Ladislav Pavlovič (**Czechoslovakia** 2-0 France, 09.07.1960)

### • Youngest player to score:

**18yrs 141days:** Johan Vonlanthen (**Switzerland** 1-3 France, 21.06.2004)

**18yrs 237days:** Wayne Rooney (**England** 3-0 Switzerland, 17.06.2004)

### • Most goals in a match:

**9:** France 4-5 Yugoslavia (06.07.1960)

**7:** Netherlands 6-1 Yugoslavia (25.06.2000)

**7:** Yugoslavia 3-4 Spain (21.06.2000)

### • Biggest victory:

**6-1:** Netherlands v Yugoslavia (25.06.2000)

**5-0:** Sweden v Bulgaria (14.06.2004)

**5-0:** Denmark v Yugoslavia (16.06.1984)

**5-0:** France v Belgium (16.06.1984)

### • Fastest hat-trick

**18mins:** Michel Platini (**France** 3-2 Yugoslavia, 19.06.1984)

### • Fastest goals

**1min 7 secs:** Dmitri Kirichenko (**Russia** 2-1 Greece, 20.06.2004)

**2mins 7secs:** Sergei Aleinikov (England 1-3 **Soviet Union**, 18.06.1988)

**2mins 14 secs:** Alan Shearer (Germany 1-1 (6-5pens) **England**, 26.06.1996)

**2mins 25secs:** Michael Owen (Portugal 2-2 (6-5pens) **England**, 24.06.2004)

**2mins 27secs:** Hristo Stoichkov (**Bulgaria** 1-0 Romania, 13.06.1996)

### • Appearances

#### Players

#### Qualifying and final tournament

**45:** Lilian Thuram (FRA)

**39:** Peter Schmeichel (DEN)

**39:** Vitalis Astafjevs (LVA)

**38:** Hakan Şükür (TUR)

**37:** Sargis Hovsepyan (ARM)

**36:** Didier Deschamps (FRA)

**36:** Theodoros Zagorakis (GRE)

**36:** Rüştü Reçber (TUR)

**35:** Mart Poom (Estonia)

**35:** Jari Litmanen (Finland)

**35:** Laurent Blanc (France)

**35:** Fabio Cannavaro (Italy)

**35:** Mario Frick (Liechtenstein)

**35:** Dorinel Munteanu (Romania)

**35:** Gheorghe Popescu (Romania)

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### Final tournament

14: Karel Poborský (CZE)  
14: Lilian Thuram (FRA)  
14: Zinédine Zidane (FRA)  
14: Luís Figo (POR)  
13: Peter Schmeichel (DEN)  
13: Laurent Blanc (FRA)  
13: Didier Deschamps (FRA)  
13: Jürgen Klinsmann (FRG/GER)  
13: Thomas Hässler (FRG/GER)  
13: Paolo Maldini (ITA)  
13: Edwin van der Sar (NED)  
13: Phillip Cocu (NED)  
13: Dennis Bergkamp (NED)

### Teams

#### Final tournament

10: West Germany/Germany  
8: Spain; Netherlands  
7: Denmark; England; France; Italy

#### • Goals

##### Overall

22: Jon Dahl Tomasson (DEN)  
22: Hakan Şükür (TUR)  
20: Jan Koller (CZE)  
20: Davor Šuker (YUG/CRO)  
19: Raúl González (ESP)  
18: Zlatko Zahovic (SLO)  
17: Thierry Henry (FRA)  
17: Shota Arveladze (GEO)  
16: Gerd Müller (FRG)  
16: Marco van Basten (NED)  
15: Hristo Stoitchkov (BUL)  
15: Jürgen Klinsmann (GER)

#### Final tournament

9: Michel Platini (FRA)  
7: Alan Shearer (ENG)  
6: Patrick Kluivert (NED)  
5: Milan Baroš (CZE)  
5: Zinédine Zidane (FRA)  
5: Thierry Henry (FRA)  
5: Jürgen Klinsmann (GER)  
5: Marco Van Basten (NED)  
5: Nuno Gomes (POR)  
5: Savo Milošević (YUG)

**Last updated:** 05.06.2008

### Team facts

#### Team facts: Switzerland

##### UEFA European Championship record

**2004:** Group stage, final tournament

**2000:** Qualifying

**1996:** Group stage, final tournament

**1992:** Qualifying

**1988:** Qualifying

**1984:** Qualifying

**1980:** Qualifying

**1976:** Qualifying

**1972:** Qualifying

**1968:** Qualifying

**1964:** Preliminary round

**1960:** Did not enter

##### Key facts

###### Overall

**Pld:** 80 **W:** 29 **D:** 22 **L:** 29 **F:** 119 **A:** 108

###### Final tournament

**Pld:** 6 **W:** 0 **D:** 2 **L:** 4 **F:** 2 **A:** 10

###### Qualifying

**Pld:** 74 **W:** 29 **D:** 20 **L:** 25 **F:** 117 **A:** 98

##### Records

###### Qualifying

###### Biggest win

**7-0:** Switzerland v San Marino, 05.06.1991, UEFA EURO '92 qualifying Group 2

**7-1:** Switzerland v Romania, 24.05.1967, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 6

**5-0:** Switzerland v Cyprus, 08.11.1967, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 6

**5-0:** Switzerland v Malta, 21.04.1971, 1972 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 3

###### Biggest loss

**4-0:** Italy v Switzerland, 23.12.1967, 1968 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 6

###### Final tournament

###### Biggest win

n/a

###### Biggest loss

**3-0:** England v Switzerland, 17.06.2004, UEFA EURO 2004™ Group B

**3-1:** Switzerland v France, 21.06.2004, UEFA EURO 2004™ Group B

**2-0:** Switzerland v Netherlands, 13.06.1996, UEFA EURO '96™ Group A

##### EURO appearances (players)

###### Overall

**29:** Stéphane Chapuisat

**28:** Heinz Hermann

**24:** Alain Geiger

**22:** Stéphane Henchoz

**21:** Johann Vogel

**20:** Ciriaco Sforza

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### Final tournament

5: Stéphane Chapuisat

5: Stéphane Henchoz

5: Johann Vogel

4: Raphael Wicky

### Top scorers

#### Overall

9: Kubilay Türkyilmaz

8: Fritz Künzli

6: Adrian Knup

6: Stéphane Chapuisat

### Final tournament

1: Kubilay Türkyilmaz

1: Johann Vonlanthen

Last updated: 03.06.2008

### Team facts: Czech Republic

#### UEFA European Championship record

2004: Semi-finals

2000: Group stage, final tournament

1996: Runners-up

1992: Qualifying (as Czechoslovakia)

1988: Qualifying (as Czechoslovakia)

1984: Qualifying (as Czechoslovakia)

1980: Third place (as Czechoslovakia)

1976: Winners (as Czechoslovakia)

1972: Qualifying (as Czechoslovakia)

1968: Qualifying (as Czechoslovakia)

1964: Preliminary round (as Czechoslovakia)

1960: Third place (as Czechoslovakia)

#### Key facts

##### Overall record

Pld: 118 W: 73 D: 24 L: 21 F: 236 A: 95

##### Qualifying

Pld: 96 W: 63 D: 19 L: 14 F: 204 A: 69

##### Final tournament

Pld: 22 W: 10 D: 5 L: 7 F: 32 A: 26

#### Records

##### Qualifying

##### Biggest win

7-0: Czech Republic v San Marino, 07.10.2006, UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying Group D

6-0: Czechoslovakia v Cyprus, 16.04.1983, 1984 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 5

6-1: Czech Republic v Malta, 06.09.1994, UEFA EURO '96™ qualifying Group 5

##### Biggest loss

3-0: England v Czechoslovakia, 30.10.1974, 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 1

3-0: Finland v Czechoslovakia, 09.09.1987, 1988 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 6

##### Final tournament

##### Biggest win

3-0: Czech Republic v Denmark, 27.06.2004, UEFA EURO 2004™ quarter-finals

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### Biggest loss

**3-0:** Czechoslovakia v Soviet Union, 29.05.1960, 1960 UEFA European Championship semi-finals

### EURO appearances (players)

#### Overall

**34:** Karel Poborský

**32:** Jan Koller

**31:** Pavel Nedvěd

**31:** Jirí Nemeč

**30:** Pavel Kuka

#### Final tournament

**14:** Karel Poborský

**12:** Pavel Nedvěd

**11:** Vladimír Šmicer

**9:** Jirí Nemeč

#### Top scorers

##### Overall

**20:** Jan Koller

**12:** Patrik Berger

**11:** Milan Baroš

**9:** Vladimír Šmicer

**9:** Zdenek Nehoda

#### Final tournament

**5:** Milan Baroš

**4:** Vladimír Šmicer

**Last updated:** 03.06.2008

### UEFA information

#### 'Wonderful atmosphere'

UEFA President Michel Platini has joined millions of football fans in Europe and around the world in heralding the long-awaited arrival of UEFA EURO 2008™. "As President of UEFA I am very proud that this tournament is kicking off," he said in Basel. "UEFA and EURO 2008 SA under COO Martin Kallen have been working hard for very many years to ensure the best possible conditions for players, spectators and the media. Everything is being done to ensure that there will be a wonderful atmosphere for the fans coming to Austria and Switzerland from the whole of Europe. What is really important are the feelings and emotions that will be felt by the spectators, thanks to the games that they will be watching. There is going to be a lot of drama, there will be pain and joy, and the best team will be the winner. I also hope that football will be the winner. I'm expecting wonderful emotions and I'm passing the ball on to all the players, who are key to our success."

#### Everything in place

UEFA EURO 2008™ organisers in host countries Austria and Switzerland say that everything is in place for what they hope will be the best EURO tournament ever. "We are ready, and everything has been working according to plan," said Euro 2008 SA COO Martin Kallen. "UEFA has been working very closely together with Austria and Switzerland since 2002 to make sure that this will be a great event. We will see if that is the case on 29 June." Meanwhile, Kallen warned fans against buying EURO tickets on the black market. "All of the tickets have been sold – there is not a single ticket left, and there has not been for a while," he explained. "We are obviously trying to prevent tickets being sold, but any tickets sold at this point are black market tickets. I would recommend that no one sells tickets on the black market, as there will be sanctions."

#### International Broadcast Centre opened

UEFA President Michel Platini has opened the International Broadcast Centre in Vienna – the nerve centre of broadcasting for UEFA EURO 2008™. At a ceremony attended by Austria's federal chancellor Alfred Gusenbauer, Vienna's mayor Michael Häupl and the President of the Austrian Football Federation, Friedrich Stickler, Mr Platini switched on the TV video feeds from all the Austrian and Swiss venues in the IBC Master Control Room with a symbolic push of the button. For the first time in EURO history, UEFA will produce the television signal for the tournament itself through UEFA Media Technologies SA, the 100 per cent owned UEFA subsidiary which is in charge of the Host Broadcast Operations.

#### Support for fans

The "fan embassies" project is designed to provide support to fans during UEFA EURO 2008™. Apart from facilities at each of the eight venues where fans can go for assistance, there will also be mobile fan embassies moving from stadium to stadium. The project is being run by people familiar with the fan scene in the participating countries, together with local fan experts. It is hoped that this co-operation will also be put to use well after UEFA EURO 2008™. The project leaders are UEFA's long-standing partners FARE (Football Against Racism in Europe) in co-operation with the FSI (Football Supporters International), Fairplay-vidc (Austria's Vienna Institute for international Dialogue and Co-operation) and Projektorganisation Öffentliche Hand (a Swiss state project organisation).

Location of fan embassies:

- Vienna: Vorplatz Museumsquartier
- Klagenfurt: Fancamp, Messegelände
- Salzburg: Ferdinand-Hanusch-Platz
- Innsbruck: Fancamp Innsbruck
- Zurich; Rathausplatz
- Basel: Marktplatz
- Berne: Waisenhausplatz
- Geneva: Place du Rhône

#### Official song

Can You Hear Me? by Enrique Iglesias is the official song of UEFA EURO 2008™, with the Spanish star scheduled to perform live at the final in Vienna on 29 June. The 33-year-old, who has had No1 hit records across the globe with songs such as Rhythm Divine, Be With You, Hero, Escape, Do You Know? and Tired of Being Sorry, will make his appearance in the ten-minute closing ceremony at the Ernst-Happel-Stadion. "I'm really pleased to be able to contribute to the football festival in Switzerland and Austria; it's an honour for me to perform at the final," said the Spaniard.

### Competition information

• **Format:** The UEFA EURO 2008™ group stage draw in Lucerne on 2 December 2007 divided the 14 qualifiers and co-hosts Austria and Switzerland into four groups of four. Each country plays each other once. Three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a defeat. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the group matches, the following criteria are applied to determine the rankings:

- number of points obtained in the matches among the teams in question;
- goal difference from the matches among the teams in question;
- number of goals scored in the matches among the teams in question (if more than two teams finish level on points);
- goal difference in all group matches;
- number of goals scored in all the group matches;
- coefficient from the qualifying competitions for the 2006 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2008™ (points obtained divided by number of matches played);
- Fair Play conduct of teams in the final tournament;
- drawing of lots

• **Key dates:** The quarter-finals are played on 19, 20, 21 and 22 June in the following format:

Match 1 Winner Group A v Runner-up Group B

Match 2 Winner Group B v Runner-up Group A

Match 3 Winner Group C v Runner-up Group D

Match 4 Winner Group D v Runner-up Group C

The semi-finals are played on 25 and 26 June:

Winner Match 1 v Winner Match 2

Winner Match 3 v Winner Match 4

The final is played at the Ernst-Happel-Stadion in Vienna on Sunday 29 June, with the winners of Semi-final 1 being designated as the home team for administrative purposes.

• **Disciplinary information:** As a rule, a player who is sent off is suspended for the next match in the competition. The Control and Disciplinary Body is entitled to augment this punishment. In the case of repeated cautions, a player is suspended for one match after two cautions in two different matches. In May, UEFA's Executive Committee decided at its meeting in Moscow to cancel single yellow cards after the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2008™. Consequently, a situation will not arise whereby players receive a second yellow card of the tournament in the semi-finals and are suspended for the final as a result.

• **Player eligibility:** The 16 participants in the final tournament had to submit a final list of 23 players – of which three had to be goalkeepers – at least ten days before the opening match of the tournament, on 7 June. In the event of a serious injury to a listed player before his team's first match in the final tournament, the player in question could be substituted only if a doctor from the UEFA Medical Committee and the team doctor both confirmed the injury was serious enough to prevent the player taking part.

• **Financial information:** UEFA has earmarked a total of €184m for the 16 teams competing in UEFA EURO 2008™ compared to €129m at UEFA EURO 2004™. The 16 teams in the final tournament will each receive a participating fee of €7.5m with a performance bonus of €1m for a win during the group stage and €500,000 for a draw. The eight teams who reach the quarter-finals will all receive an additional payment of €2m, with the four teams who progress to the semi-finals collecting an extra €3m. For the teams who take the field for the final at the Ernst-Happel-Stadion on 29 June, the runners-up will receive €4.5m with the winners collecting €7.5m. Therefore, if the victorious side at the final win all three of their group games, they would collect a maximum of €23m.

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### Legend

**:: All-time statistics**

The all-time record of the competing teams in the UEFA European Championship.

**Final tournament:** The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976. From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the current 16-team format was adopted.

**Goals for/against:** Goals totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (eg match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored from the penalty mark during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw.

**:: Squad list**

The eligible list of players ordered first by playing position and then numeric order.

**UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying:** Total UEFA EURO 2008™ appearances/goals in qualifying competition only.

**FT:** Total UEFA EURO 2008™ appearances/goals in final tournament only.

**Overall:** Total international appearances/goals.

**DoB:** Date of birth

**Age:** based on the date press kit was last updated

**BL:** Booking list (\*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

**:: Match officials**

The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

**National team competitions**

**EURO:** UEFA European Football Championship • **U21:** UEFA European Under-21 Championship

**WC:** FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** Confederation Cup

**FRIE:** Friendly internationals • **U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals

**U21:** UEFA European Under-21 Championship

**U19:** UEFA Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

**:: Competition stages**

**F:** Final

**GS:** Group stage

**GS1:** First group stage

**GS2:** Second group stage

**KO1:** First knockout round

**PR:** Preliminary round

**QF:** Quarter-finals

**QR:** Qualifying round

**QR1:** First qualifying round

**QR2:** Second qualifying round

**FT:** Final tournament

**QR3:** Third qualifying round

**R1:** First round

**R2:** Second round

**R3:** Third round

**R4:** Fourth round

**SF:** Semi-finals

**1/8:** Eighth-finals

**1/16:** Sixteenth-finals

**1st:** first leg

**2nd:** second leg

**P-O:** Play-off

**:: Other Abbreviations**

**AP:** Appearances

**Comp.:** Competition

**D:** Drawn

**DoB:** Date of birth

**GA:** Goals against

**GF:** Goals for

**L:** Lost

**Nat.:** Nationality

**N/a:** Not Applicable

**No.:** Number

**Pld:** Matches played

**Pos.:** Position

**Pts:** Points

**R:** Sent off (red card)

**Res.:** Result

**W:** Won

**Y:** Booked

**Y/R:** Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

**:: Statistics**

**(-)** : Denotes player substituted

**(\*)** : Denotes player dismissed/sent off

**(+)** : Denotes player introduced

**(+/-)** : Denotes player introduced and substituted