Manchester United FC may enter this first knockout round tie as overwhelming favourites but there is no danger of overconfidence given the part Lille played in their early exit from the 2005/06 UEFA Champions League.

- Sir Alex Ferguson's team will arrive in northern France with memories still fresh of losing to the same opposition last term. A 1-0 victory for Lille over United at the Stade de France on 2 November 2005 – courtesy of Milenko Ačimovič's 38th-minute goal – followed a goalless draw at Old Trafford and United paid for those dropped points as they ended the group stage bottom of the section, level on points with Lille who advanced to the UEFA Cup.

- There was no such slip-up from United this season as they secured their progress as Group F winners with a 3-1 home victory over SL Benfica on 6 December last year. After falling behind to a Nelson effort, Nemanja Vidić, Ryan Giggs and Louis Saha got the goals that carried them through. United began their campaign with wins over Celtic FC (3-2), SL Benfica (1-0) and FC København (3-0) before losing their way briefly with back-to-back 1-0 defeats at København and Celtic.

- While United have reached the knockout stage for the tenth time in eleven seasons, Lille are here for the first time. Claude Puel's team secured qualification by beating AC Milan 2-0 in Italy on 6 December via goals from Peter Odemwingie and Kader Keita. That result left them second in Group H, a point clear of AEK Athens FC.

- With UEFA regulations not permitting them to play at their Stadium Lille Métropole, Lille were undefeated in their 'home' matches at RC Lens' Stade Félix-Bollaert, beating AEK Athens 3-1 in between drawing with Milan (0-0) and RSC Anderlecht (2-2). On their travels, they held Anderlecht 1-1 and lost 1-0 at AEK – their only reverse in the group stage – before overcoming Milan.

- Prior to last season, Lille and United had met previously in the 2001/02 UEFA Champions League first group stage. United won 1-0 at Old Trafford in Lille's first UEFA fixture in England through an 89th-minute David Beckham goal while the return match, also played at Lens' Stade Félix-Bollaert, finished 1-1 as Bruno Cheyrou cancelled out Ole Gunnar Solskjaer's opener. Lille's overall record against English opponents is respectable with two wins, three draws and just one defeat.

- In nine visits to France, United have registered two wins, five draws and two defeats. Overall in the UEFA Champions League, their recent form on the road has been patchy – September's 1-0 win at Benfica was their first since November 2003 and the only success in their last eleven away matches in the competition.
United striker Henrik Larsson is eligible to make his first appearance in the UEFA Champions League since joining on loan from Helsingborgs IF. The Swede's last appearance in the competition was in last season’s final where he came off the bench to inspire FC Barcelona's comeback victory against Arsenal FC.

The second leg will be played in Manchester on Wednesday 7 March.

**Match facts**

**Lille**

- Seven Lille players have featured in all six UEFA Champions League matches to date: Grégory Tafforeau, Nicolas Plestian, Mathieu Bodmer, Jean II Makoun, Matthieu Chalmé, Peter Odemwingie and Kader Keita. Tafforeau, Plestan and Chalmé played all 540 minutes in the group stage while Bodmer managed 539 minutes, six more than Keita.

- **Tafforeau** became the first player in the Lille squad to make ten UEFA Champions League appearances against Milan on Matchday 2. **Tony Sylva** reached double figures against AEK Athens FC in the third round of matches while **Bodmer** and **Makoun** brought up that landmark in the reverse fixture in Athens. **Chalmé** and **Odemwingie** made their tenth appearances against Anderlecht on Matchday 5.

- **Tafforeau** also has the most UEFA club competition experience in the Lille squad having featured 40 times. **Sylva** (34 appearances), **Milivoje Vitakić**, **Rafael Schmitz**, **Bodmer** and **Chalmé** (all 31), **Souleymane Youla** and **Makoun** (both 28) and **Efstathios Tavlaridis** (26) have all played in 25 matches or more.

- **Nicolas Fauvergue**'s goal on Matchday 1 was only Lille's second in the UEFA Champions League proper. **Tafforeau** and **Youla** have also found the net once each in the competition.

- On Matchday 3, Daniel Gygax - who left for FC Metz in January - **Makoun** and **Matthieu Robail** all scored their first goals in the UEFA Champions League. **Odemwingie** then got his first in the competition against Anderlecht on Matchday 5, when **Fauvergue** again found the net, before Odemwingie and **Keita** struck in Milan on 6 December, the latter’s goal his first in UEFA club competition.

- Only three Lille players have scored more than once in UEFA club competition: **Youla** (seven goals), **Fauvergue** and **Odemwingie** (both four). Nine players have scored once.

- **Fauvergue** and **Odemwingie** both scored twice in the group stage, two of 33 players to do so. Didier Drogba, Fernando Morientes and Kaká are the current top scorers with five goals each.

- **Keita** is one of 25 players to have provided two assists in this season's competition prior to the first knockout round; Juninho Pernambucano has created the most goals, with five.

- **Odemwingie** has had eleven shots on goal in the first six matches, one fewer than Kaká. **Fauvergue** and **Keita** have managed six attempts.

- **Keita** has had ten shots wide so far, two less than Boubacar Sanogo and Robin van Persie. **Odemwingie** has missed the target nine times, one more than **Bodmer**.

- **Keita** committed 17 fouls in the first six games, with Brandão the most penalised player having been pulled up on 24 occasions. **Makoun** has been penalised 15 times, **Tavlaridis** 14 and **Bodmer** 12.
• Lille have had a total of 91 shots so far, the most in the competition. The French side also lead the way in terms of shots on target with 48.

• Lille have been caught offside six times so far, together with FC Bayern München the lowest total of the 16 teams in the first knockout round.

• The French side have had possession for an average of 27 minutes per match so far, the lowest of the teams remaining in the competition.

• Lille have collected 14 yellow cards to date, the most of the last 16.

Tavlaridis turned 27 on 25 January.

• Sir Alex Ferguson and assistant Carlos Queiroz were in the stands at the Stadium Lille Métropole on Friday as Lille conceded two goals in the last nine minutes to slip to a 2-1 defeat against champions and Ligue 1 leaders Olympique Lyonnais. The home side looked on course for a sixth consecutive win in this fixture after Johan Audel opened the scoring seven minutes after half-time. But two late Lyon free-kicks turned the game on its head as Fred (81) and Sébastien Squillaci (89) left Lille without a win in four games in all competitions.

• "I'm wondering just how we managed to lose this game," said Lille coach Claude Puel. "Two free-kicks in the last few minutes have destroyed a good game for us; we just had to hold on. It's inexperience. The Champions League is another competition but we cannot be satisfied with the start to the year we have made. We dominated the game but couldn't take the points."

• The match marked the return of Bodmer, who lasted just over an hour after missing a 1-0 loss to Toulouse FC on 10 February with an ankle injury. He was replaced by Fauvergue, who started on the substitutes' bench alongside Odemwingie and Plestan as Puel sought to rest the pair. Captain Stéphane Dumont (knee), Youla (lower back) and Mathieu Robail (ankle) are all sidelined while Mathieu Debuchy is struggling with a knee ligament problem.

• Having won 2-0 at AC Milan on Matchday 6, Lille failed to picked up maximum points in any of their last three fixtures of 2006, drawing with AS Saint-Etienne (2-2) and AJ Auxerre (1-1) either side of a 2-0 defeat at CS Sedan-Ardennes on 16 December. The winless run stretched into 2007, which began with a 1-1 draw at RC Lens, before Makoun's late goal earned a 1-0 win against Paris Saint-Germain FC on 24 January. A victory at Bordeaux by the same scoreline followed before a goalless home draw with FC Nantes Atlantique, which preceded the 1-0 defeat at Toulouse.

• Bodmer is Lille's top scorer in Ligue 1 this season with ten goals, three more than Odemwingie. Keita has four in the league.

• Lille have been in the top five of Ligue 1 since 14 October.

• Bodmer was also on target in a 2-0 win at FC Metz in the Coupe de France round of 64 on 6 January, adding to Michel Bastos's early goal. Lille then edged out RC Strasbourg in the last 32, progressing thanks to Yohan Cabaye's late goal having let slip a two-goal advantage given to them by Audel and Kevin Mirallas to win 3-2. Their luck ran out in the last 16, however, Claudiu Keserü's 120th-minute strike giving Nantes a 1-0 win and a place in the quarter-finals.

• Lille have added three players to their UEFA Champions League squad for the spring campaign: midfielders Aurélien Fongang Chedjou and Ludovic Obraniak and defender Emerson. The 21-year-old Cameroonian Chedjou joined from fourth division side FC Rouen, Brazilian left-back Emerson signed from Malucelli FC last August and Obraniak came in from FC Metz for a €1m fee.

• Obraniak said on signing for his new club: "Lille are among the best sides in France and Claude Puel can teach me a lot. He's already taught so many players here."
The 22-year-old's move from Metz saw Swiss international Gygax travel in the opposite direction, while midfielder Flavien Le Postollec and defender Dieudonné Owona have joined FC Molenbeek Brussels Strombeek on loan for the rest of the season. Samuel Robail has signed for fourth division US Boulogne on loan and defender Alexis Zywiecki will spend the rest of the season with Ligue 2 outfit Dijon FCO.

Two Lille players recently signed two-year contract extensions: second-choice goalkeeper Grégory Malicki put pen to paper on a deal that will keep him at the club until June 2009 while French Under-21 international defender Peter Franquart's new arrangement ties him to the club until the following summer. On 8 December Fauvergue agreed a one-year extension to his current contract, keeping him at Lille until summer 2011.

Goalkeeper Sylva made his return from six weeks out with a broken finger against Lens on 13 January.

Four of Lille's African contingent were involved in international action in early February, Makoun playing all of Cameroon's 2-2 draw with Togo while Odemwingie featured for Nigeria in a 4-1 loss to Ghana. Souleymane Youla and Keita were on opposing sides in Rouen as Ivory Coast defeated Guinea 1-0.

Sylva was called up to the Senegal squad to face Benin but did not feature. While his compatriots played in Rouen, an administrative error meant the goalkeeper flew to Dakar.

Stephan Lichtsteiner did not feature in Switzerland's 3-1 friendly loss to Germany in Dusseldorf, and Mirallas represented Belgium's Under-21 side in a practice game against first division side K. Sint-Truidense VV on 6 February. The match finished 2-2.

On 25 January, Lille invited representatives of the city's principal sports clubs for a guided tour of the team's new training facility, the Domaine de Luchin, which is expected to open this summer.

Having picked up three yellow cards in the group stage, Ivorian striker Keita is suspended for the first leg against Manchester United.

Manchester United

The visit of SL Benfica in the final Group F game marked Sir Alex Ferguson's 200th match on the bench in UEFA club competition.

Four United players have featured in all six UEFA Champions League matches to date: Edwin van der Sar, Michael Carrick, Paul Scholes and Wayne Rooney. Only Van der Sar has played all 540 minutes so far.

Scholes and Van der Sar both made their 100th appearances in UEFA club competition against Benfica, Gary Neville and Ryan Giggs had already reached the landmark and have each played 106 European matches to date.

Neville and Giggs are both closing in on a century of UEFA Champions League appearances having featured in 96 and 90 matches respectively.

Carrick, meanwhile, made his UEFA Champions League debut against Celtic on Matchday 1, which was also only his second appearance in UEFA club competition. Nemanja Vidić took his bow in the competition against Benfica on Matchday 2.

Scholes scored his 20th goal in the UEFA Champions League on Matchday 3 and has now also made 90 appearances in the competition. Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, meanwhile, is one goal short of the same total having played 15 games fewer.

Alan Smith made his 50th appearance in UEFA club competition in the 1-0 defeat at FC København on Matchday 4.
New signing Henrik Larsson is the top UEFA club competition scorer in the United squad with 46 goals in 91 European appearances. The Swedish striker has, however, managed only six goals in 26 UEFA Champions League games.

Louis Saha is one of five players who has scored four goals in the first six games; Didier Drogba, Fernando Morientes and Kaká are the top scorers with five goals each.

Cristiano Ronaldo set up three goals in the group stage, two fewer than Juninho Pernambucano who has provided the most assists in the competition. Saha is one of 25 players who has two assists to his name.

Saha has had eleven shots on goal, one fewer than Kaká, who had the most in the first six matchdays. Ronaldo has managed eight attempts on goal.

Saha and Rooney have both missed the target on eleven occasions, with Boubacar Sanogo and Robin van Persie the most wayward having had 12 attempts wide. Ronaldo has missed the target eight times to date.

Neville turned 32 two days before the first leg with Lille, on 18 February, while Solskjær celebrates his 34th birthday on 26 February, the day after Ji-Sung Park is 26.

United's run of four consecutive victories ended at home to Reading FC on Saturday as a second-half equaliser from Brynjar Gunnarsson took the FA Cup fifth-round tie to a replay. Carrick had given the home side the lead in first-half added time, drilling in from outside the penalty box following good work from Ronaldo but Gunnarsson struck midway through the second half to force a replay.

Since the 3-1 defeat of Benfica that confirmed United's passage to the last 16 as Group F winners, they have continued to set the pace in the Premiership, picking up 25 points out of a potential 33. Losses to West Ham United FC (1-0) and Arsenal FC (2-1), and a draw against Newcastle United FC (2-2) were offset by victories against Manchester City FC (3-1), Wigan Athletic FC (3-1), Reading FC (3-2), Watford FC (4-0), Tottenham Hotspur FC (4-0), Charlton Athletic FC (2-0) and two against Aston Villa FC (3-0 and 3-1).

Villa were also undone by Sir Alex's side in the FA Cup third round, losing 2-1 as Larsson made a spectacular debut. The Swedish striker - signed on a three-month loan from Helsingborgs IF - scored early in the second half and, although Milan Baroš equalised, the dependable Solskjær came off the bench to claim a last-gasp winner. United beat Portsmouth FC by the same scoreline in the next round, Rooney scoring twice in the final 15 minutes - the second a superb lob selected as the BBC's Goal of the Month.

Ronaldo's form has been the highlight of the winter for United; scoring in the derby against Manchester City and then recording two in three successive games against Villa, Wigan and Reading. He added further goals in the subsequent league wins against Villa, Watford and Tottenham. Those ten goals have taken him up to 15 in the Premiership this season, meaning he won a bet made before the campaign with Sir Alex that he would reach that mark.

Ronaldo was named the Premiership player of the month for both November and December - only Dennis Bergkamp and Robbie Fowler had previously won the prize twice in a row - and in January was honoured as Portugal's Sportsman of the Year for 2006.

Larsson was the only January arrival at Old Trafford. David Jones and Tim Howard both left the club, making their loans to Derby County FC and Everton FC permanent while Daniel Rose, Jonny Evans, Phil Bardsley, Adam Eckersley, Giuseppe Rossi, Lee Martin, Danny Simpson and Richie Jones were all loaned out.

Sir Alex has added three players to United's UEFA Champions League squad: Larsson, Chris Eagles and Dong Fangzhou.
• The main injury concern in recent weeks has been Van der Sar, who broke his nose during the Tottenham match, with defender John O'Shea taking over in goal for the last ten minutes of that game as the 4-0 win was secured. Van der Sar's aim is to return for the Lille encounter.

• O'Shea himself said of the Spurs match, in which he denied Robbie Keane in a one-on-one: "I asked Edwin whether he had a clean sheet bonus when we got into the dressing room because I want half it! I'm very proud!" Sir Alex added: "We're calling him "The Cat"."

• However, O'Shea missed the Charlton game after picking up an ankle injury in the Republic of Ireland's 2-1 UEFA EURO 2008™ win away to San Marino.

• Also in friendly action in the February internationals, were Neville, Ferdinand and Carrick for England in their 1-0 loss to Spain at Old Trafford, along with Ben Foster, currently on loan at Watford FC and making his first appearance at his permanent club's home. Ronaldo captained Portugal as they won 2-0 against Brazil at the Arsenal stadium in London, while across the capital at Fulham FC's Craven Cottage, Park aided the Korean Republic's 1-0 defeat of Greece.

• Away from London, Heinze helped Argentina win 1-0 in France, where Evra was an unused substitute for the home side, Solskjær played for Norway in a 2-1 defeat in Croatia and Darren Fletcher and Vidic were at training camps for Scotland and Serbia respectively. Kieran Richardson came off the bench as the England Under-21 side came from two down to hold Spain 2-2 in Derby.

• Giggs, at the age of 33, remains as excellent as ever and against West Ham on 17 December made his 689th appearance for United, moving him ahead of Bill Foulkes into second place in the club's all-time table. He now stands at 697 over 15 years, moving ever closer to Sir Bobby Charlton's record of 759. "He is in great physical shape and doesn't carry any weight so there is no reason why he can't play for another two or three years," said Sir Alex.

• Foulkes and Sir Bobby were survivors of the Munich air crash on 6 February 1958, and United have announced that they are planning to unveil a "substantial permanent memorial" and hold a commemoration service on next year's 50th anniversary of the disaster. Twenty-three people died in the accident, including eight of the United squad that had just played a European Champion Clubs' Cup tie at FK Crvena Zvezda.

• That date, as well as the 50th anniversary of the Treaty of Rome that laid the foundations for the modern-day European Union, will also be marked by a jubilee match at Old Trafford on 13 March between United and a Europe XI coached by Marcello Lippi and including David Beckham. Also in the team are Liverpool FC duo Jamie Carragher and Steven Gerrard. It is being staged by the Manchester United Foundation and UEFA, with support from the European Union. All proceeds will go to charity.

• Off the field, United have announced that Cirque du Soleil vice-president Michael Bolingbroke, 41, will join the board as their first chief operations officer in May. He will oversee day-to-day finance, IT, human resources, and legal and property services while David Gill remains chief executive.

• If Scholes receives a yellow card against Lille he will be suspended for the second leg after picking up two bookings in the group stage.
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16. Grégory Malicki
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30. Laurent Pichon
   - France
   - 08.03.81
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40. Alexandre Oukidja
   - France
   - 19.07.88
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**Defenders**

4. Efthathios Tavlaridis
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19. Rafael
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20. Grégory Tafforeau
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22. Milivoje Vitakić
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25. Nicolas Plestan
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26. Stephan Lichtsteiner
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36. Emerson
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**Midfielders**

2. Mathieu Debuchy
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7. Yohan Cabaye
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8. Michel Bastos
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12. Mathieu Bodmer
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34. Henry Ewane Elong
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35. Ludovic Obraniak
   - France
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37. Aurélien Chedjou
   - Cameroon
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**Forwards**

11. Souleymane Youla
   - Guinea
   - 29.11.81
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13. Nicolas Fauvergue
   - France
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14. Peter Odemwingie
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23. Kader Keita
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27. Kevin Mirallas
   - Belgium
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**Coach**

Claude Puel
   - France
   - 02.09.61

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Head coach profiles

LOSC Lille Métropole: Claude Puel
Date of birth: 2 September 1961
Nationality: French
Playing career: AS Monaco FC
Coaching career: AS Monaco FC, LOSC Lille Métropole

LOSC Lille Métropole coach Claude Puel may not be the most high-profile figure at the helm of a UEFA Champions League side but he is no stranger to big European nights having spent 22 years as player and coach at AS Monaco FC. Puel amassed 488 league games as Monaco's midfield anchorman, winning two French titles (1982 and 1988) and the 1991 French Cup in addition to reaching the 1992 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup final and the UEFA Champions League semi-finals two years later.

When appointed Lille coach in the summer of 2001, Puel focused on the long-term, laying down the foundations for a five-year plan; his ambitions came to fruition well ahead of schedule as he steered his team into Europe's premier club competition in less than four years thanks to a second-placed finish in Ligue 1 in 2004/05. Although Lille failed to progress from the UEFA Champions League group stage the next season, the club went on to the UEFA Cup Round of 16 - losing to eventual winners Sevilla FC.

Puel's coaching philosophy is simple: assemble a team with high fitness levels, stamina and speed in abundance and a miserly defence and - with a bit of luck - any team is beatable. Such virtues helped Monaco to the French title in 2000 and earned Lille a UEFA Intertoto Cup victory in 2004 before the northern club secured second place in Ligue 1 in 2005 - their best finish for 50 years. They earned another tilt at the UEFA Champions League after finishing third in the French top flight in 2006 and defeating F.Y.R. Macedonia's FK Rabotnicki in the third qualifying round that August with Puel having signed a new contract earlier in the year.

Manchester United FC: Sir Alex Ferguson
Date of birth: 31 December 1941
Nationality: Scottish
Coaching career: Falkirk FC, East Stirlingshire FC, Saint Mirren FC, Aberdeen FC, Manchester United FC

Sir Alex Ferguson has enjoyed more than two decades at the top, restoring Manchester United FC to their position as one of Europe's foremost clubs. He helped nurture a group of young players including David Beckham, Paul Scholes and Gary Neville who formed the backbone of United's treble-winning side in 1999. The esteem in which his peers hold him is reflected by his position as head of the UEFA Coaches Panel.

Ferguson enjoyed a relatively successful playing career that included a spell at Rangers FC before becoming player-coach at Falkirk FC. He then managed East Stirlingshire FC and Saint Mirren FC before shooting to prominence at Aberdeen FC. In 1980 the club won the Scottish title to break the Old Firm's 14-year stranglehold, a dominance which has returned since Aberdeen's last title in 1985. Ferguson's greatest success with the Dons came in 1983, when they beat Real Madrid CF to win the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup.

United appointed Ferguson in 1986 and after a difficult start the Scot led the club to their longest period of sustained success. Their first trophy was the 1990 FA Cup, followed next season by Cup Winners' Cup glory. In 1993 came the first of eight Premiership titles, to which five FA Cups were added. Ferguson's finest moment came in 1999, when two added-time goals gave United a 2-1 UEFA Champions League final victory against FC Bayern München. After failing to get beyond the 2005/06 group stage and finishing runners-up behind Premiership champions Chelsea FC, Ferguson is keen to hit the heights again. On 6 November, he celebrated 20 years in charge at Old Trafford.
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Eric Braamhaar started this season with confidence high having enjoyed a memorable 2005/06 campaign in which he took charge of some high-profile UEFA Cup ties and his first match in the group stage of the UEFA Champions League – FC Barcelona’s 2-0 win at Udinese Calcio. That was followed on Matchday 2 of the 2006/07 edition with the 2-2 draw between FC Shakhtar Donetsk and Olympiacos CFP.

Braamhaar, an account manager based in Enter who lists ‘fitness, family and running’ as his main hobbies, was born on 13 October 1966. After rising through the ranks in the Netherlands, he was awarded his FIFA badge in 2002, clearing him to take charge of his first international the following February as the Republic of Ireland left Scotland with a 2-0 friendly victory. Appointments in qualifiers for the UEFA European Under-21 Championship and 2006 FIFA World Cup followed as well as UEFA Cup dates in England, Spain and Germany.

His performances in the Eredivisie saw him selected for the 2005 Dutch Cup final, in which PSV Eindhoven defeated Willem II 4-0 to complete the double, and he was also one of the referees at the FIFA U-20 World Cup on home soil – his second competition for the world governing body having gained excellent experience at the FIFA U-17 World Cup in Finland two years earlier.

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Athens tickets
Tickets have gone on sale via uefa.com for the 2007 UEFA Champions League final, to be played at the Olympic Stadium in Athens on 23 May. With 9,000 seats available exclusively to the general public, applications for up to two tickets will be accepted until the 12.00CET deadline on 19 February. The allocation of tickets will be decided by lottery and every valid application will enter the ballot, regardless of the time of submission. More than 50 per cent of the seats will be reserved for the supporters of the two finalists.

Draw/match dates
The 2006/07 UEFA Champions League first knockout round draw was held on 15 December at UEFA headquarters in Nyon, Switzerland. The eight group winners were drawn against the eight runners-up into two-legged ties to be played on 20/21 February and 6/7 March. Clubs from the same country could not be drawn against each other while teams who met in the group stage were also kept apart. Group runners-up play the first leg at home. The quarter-finals will follow on 3/4 and 10/11 April, with the semi-finals on 24/25 April and 1/2 May. The draw for these rounds will be held on 9 March in Athens.

Player registration
The 2006/07 UEFA Champions League regulations confirm that for all matches from the start of the first knockout round, a club was allowed to register a maximum of three new eligible players for the remaining matches in the current competition. Such registration had to be completed by 1 February. One player from the above quota of three who has played in UEFA club competition matches for another competing club in the current season may have been exceptionally registered, provided that the player has not been fielded in the same competition for another club and/or for another club that is currently in the same competition.

Stadium workshops
Events and incidents of recent times have given football a stark reminder of its own fragility when it comes to matters of safety and security in and around stadiums. Delegates from UEFA's national associations, attending the fifth and final UEFA workshop on stadium safety and security in Nyon, were told last week there must be no complacency in the wake of problems in countries such as Italy and Germany. Addressing the delegates, UEFA President Michel Platini said: "Football is a beautiful game, a treasure - but we must have safety in the stadiums."

Referee summit
Nearly 100 match officials participated in UEFA's annual courses for referees in Rome this month. The 15th UEFA Advanced Course for Elite and Premier Referees featured 53 European referees and they were told to take firm action against player protests and simulation. The message on confrontations was clear: players who protest too much or ask for a yellow card for an opponent must not be tolerated. "If the referee doesn't gain the respect of the players, he will fail," said Volker Roth, chairman of the Referees' Committee.

EXCO decision
Clubs from Andorra and San Marino will play in the UEFA Champions League qualifying phase from next season, it was decided last month. A meeting of the new Executive Committee in Dusseldorf, the first to be chaired by Mr Platini, decided that one club from each of the two countries would now be able to enter at the first qualifying round. Clubs from UEFA's newest member association, Montenegro, will also take part in the UEFA Champions League and UEFA Cup next season.
### Match-by-match lineups - Group H

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**Lille:** Sylva, Rafael, Cabaye (Fauvergue 60), Bastos (Youla 60), Bodmer, Odemwingie (Lichtsteiner 88), Makoun, Tafforeau, Chalmé, Keita, Plestan

**Referee:** Stuart Dougal (SCO)

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**Goals:** 1-0 Inzaghi 17, 2-0 Gourcuff 41, 3-0 Kaká 76

**Milan:** Dida, Cafu, Maldini, Oliveira (Seedorf 71),Gattuso, Inzaghi, D. Šimić, Favalli (Jankulovski 79), Gourcuff, Kaká, Brocchi (Ambrosini 75)

**AEK:** Sorrentino, Moras, Cirillo, Delibašić, Pautasso, Tziortziopoulos, Emerson (Tőzsér 70), Liberopoulos, Kapetanos (Lagos 46), Dellas (Ivić 55), Júlio César

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**Goals:** 0-1 Frutos 25, 1-1 Júlio César 28

**AEK:** Sorrentino, Moras, Cirillo, Kiriakidis, Lagos, Udeze, Georgeas, Kapetanos (Liberopoulos 46), Hetemaj (Delibašić 70), Tőzsér, Júlio César (Lakis 55)

**Anderlecht:** Zítka, Deschacht, Biglia, Van Damme, Tchite, Leiva, Boussoufa (Legear 81), Goor, Pareja, Frutos, Vanden Borre

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**Milan:** Dida, Cafu, Kaladze, Gattuso, Seedorf, Giaridino (Inzaghi 76), Nesta, Jankulovski, Pirlo, Kaká, Ambrosini

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**Goals:** 1-0 M. Robail 64, 1-1 Ivić 68, 2-1 Gygax 82, 3-1 Makoun 90+1

**Lille:** Sylva, Tavlaridis, Cabaye (Mirallas 64), Bodmer, Odemwingie (Youla 78), Makoun, M. Robail (Gygax 78), Tafforeau, Chalmé, Keita, Plestan

**AEK:** Sorrentino, Cirillo, Papastathopoulos, Zikos, Lakis (Delibašić 71), Udeze, Emerson, Georgeas, Liberopoulos, Tőzsér (Ivić 56), Júlio César

**Referee:** Florian Meyer (GER)
## LOSC Lille Métropole v Manchester United FC

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**Goals:** 0-1 Kaká 58  
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**Milan:** Dida, Kaladze, Oliveira (Cafu 50), Gattuso, Inzaghi (Giraldino 72), Seedorf (Brocchi 81), Nesta, Jankulovski, Pirlo, Kaká, Bonera  
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**Lille:** Sylva, Tavlaridis, Cabaye, Bodmer, Odemwingie (Youla 57), Makoun (Fauvergue 77), M. Robail (Debuchy 57), Tafforeau, Chalmé, Keita, Plestan  
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**Goals:** 1-0 Kaká 6, 2-0 Kaká 22, 3-0 Kaká 56, 3-1 Juhász 61, 4-1 Giraldino 88  
**Milan:** Dida, Maldini, Oliveira (Pirlo 73), Seedorf, Giraldino, nesta (Cafu 19), D. Šimić, Jankulovski, Gourcuff (Gattuso 66), Kaká, Brocchi  
**Anderlecht:** Zítka, Deschacht, Vanderhaeghe (Serhat 39), Biglia, Tchite, Hassan Ahmed, Boussoufa (Mbo Mpenza 80), Goor, Juhász, De Man, Vanden Borre (Legear 85)  
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**Lille:** Sylva, Rafael, Bodmer, Fauvergue (Bastos 71), Odemwingie (Mirallas 75), Makoun, M. Robail (Debuchy 55), Tafforeau, Chalmé, Keita, Plestan  
**Anderlecht:** Schollen, Deschacht, Biglia (Juhász 93), Van Damme, Tchite, Mbo Mpenza (Boussoufa 66), Hassan Ahmed (Vanderhaeghe 83), Goor, Pareja, De Man, Vanden Borre  
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**Goals:** 1-0 Júlio César 32  
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**Milan:** Dida (Kalac 78), Maldini, Costacurta (Jankulovski 46), Oliveira (Borriello 70), Inzaghi, Seedorf, Gourcuff, Pirlo, Kaká, Bonera, Brocchi  
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**Goals:** 1-0 Vanden Borre 38, 2-0 Frutos 63, 2-1 Lakis 75, 2-2 Cirillo 81  
**Anderlecht:** Zítka, Deschacht, Biglia, Tchite, Hassan Ahmed (Boussoufa 65), Goor, Juhász, Pareja, Frutos (Legear 79), De Man, Vanden Borre  
**AEK:** Sorrentino, Cirillo, Kirikidis (Lakis 50), Manduca (Delibašić 58), Pautasso, Papastathopoulos, Zikos, Georges, Liberopoulos, Tőzsér, Júlio César (Hetemaj 58)  
**Referee:** Peter Fröjdfeldt (SWE)
Stadio Giuseppe Meazza, Milan

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Goals: 0-1 Odemwingie 7, 0-2 Keita 67

Milan: Kalac, Kaladze, Inzaghi, Borriello (Oliveira 72), D. Šimić, Jankulovski, Gourcuff, Pirlo, Ambrosini (Kaká 54), Bonera, Brocchi (Seedorf 46)

Lille: Malicki, Debuchy, Tavlaridis, Cabaye, Bodmer (Fauvergue 89), Odemwingie (M. Robail 73), Makoun, Tafforeau, Chalmé, Keita (Youla 83), Plestan

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**Goals:** 0-1 Vennegoor 21, 1-1 Saha 30, 2-1 Saha 40, 2-2 Nakamura 43, 3-2 Solskjær 47  
**Man. United:** Van der Sar, G. Neville, Ferdinand, Brown, Rooney (Richardson 86), Saha, Giggs (Solskjær 33), Carrick, Scholes (O'Shea 80), Fletcher, Silvestre  
**Celtic:** Boruc, Naylor, G. Caldwell, Vennegoor, Wilson (Telfer 52), Gravesen, Lennon, Jarošík (K. Miller 56), Nakamura, McManus, McGeady (Maloney 70)  
**Referee:** Lubos Michel (SVK)

### Parken Stadium, Copenhagen

**Date:** 13.09.2006  
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**Stadium, Venue:** Parken Stadium, Copenhagen  
**Goals:**  
**København:** Christiansen, L. Jacobsen, Nørregaard, Hangeland, Linderoth, Silberbauer, Berglund (Pimpong 74), Granňka (Kvist 44), Hutchinson, Gravgaard, Bergdølmo  
**Benfica:** Quim, Luisão, Léo, Petit, Katsouranis, Alcides, Paulo Jorge, Simão (Manú 81), Nuno Gomes (Kikin 90), Nuno Assis, Ricardo Rocha  
**Referee:** Iouri Baskakov (RUS)

### Estádio do Sport Lisboa e Benf, Lisbon

**Date:** 26.09.2006  
**Result:** 0-1  
**Stadium, Venue:** Estádio do Sport Lisboa e Benf, Lisbon  
**Goals:** 0-1 Saha 60  
**Benfica:** Quim, Anderson (Mantorras 82), Luisão, Léo, Petit, Katsouranis, Alcides, Paulo Jorge (Miccoli 65), Simão, Nuno Gomes, Karagounis (Nuno Assis 62)  
**Man. United:** Van der Sar, G. Neville, Heinze, Ferdinand, Cristiano Ronaldo, Rooney (Fletcher 85), Saha (Smith 85), Vidić, Carrick, Scholes, O'Shea  
**Referee:** Frank De Bleeckere (BEL)

### Celtic Park, Glasgow

**Date:** 26.09.2006  
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**Goals:** 1-0 K. Miller 36  
**Celtic:** Boruc, Telfer, Naylor, G. Caldwell, Žurawski (Beattie 73), K. Miller (Maloney 82), Gravesen, Lennon, Nakamura, McManus, McGeady (Pearson 88)  
**København:** Christiansen, L. Jacobsen, Nørregaard, Hangeland, Linderoth, Silberbauer, Berglund (Kvist 55), Allbäck, Hutchinson, Gravgaard, Bergdølmo (Thomassen 75)  
**Referee:** Florian Meyer (GER)

### Celtic Park, Glasgow

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**Goals:** 1-0 K. Miller 56, 2-0 K. Miller 66, 3-0 Pearson 90  
**Celtic:** Boruc, Telfer, Naylor, G. Caldwell, Žurawski (Jarošík 84), K. Miller, Sno (Pearson 88), Lennon, Nakamura, Maloney, McManus  
**Benfica:** Quim, Luisão, Léo, Petit, Katsouranis (Nélson 72), Alcides, Simão, Nuno Gomes (Kikin 78), Nuno Assis, Miccoli, Ricardo Rocha  
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**Goals:** 1-0 Scholes 39, 2-0 O'Shea 46, 3-0 Richardson 83  
**Man. United:** Van der Sar, Evra, Brown, Cristiano Ronaldo, Rooney, Saha (Smith 60), Vidić, Carrick (Solskjaer 60), Scholes (Richardson 76), O'Shea, Fletcher  
**København:** Christiansen, L. Jacobsen, Nørregaard (Kvist 57), Hangeland, Linderoth, Silberbauer (Bergvold 82), Berglund (Pimpong 57), Allbäck, Hutchinson, Gravgaard, Wendt  
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### Benfica v Celtic

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**Goals:** 1-0 G. Caldwell 10, 2-0 Nuno Gomes 22, 3-0 Karyaka 76  
**Benfica:** Quim, Luisão, Léo, Petit (Beto 84), Katsouranis, Simão, Nuno Gomes (Mantorras 89), Nélson, Nuno Assis, Miccoli (Karyaka 67), Ricardo Rocha  
**Celtic:** Boruc, Telfer, Naylor, G. Caldwell, K. Miller, Pearson, Sno (Żurawski 72), Lennon, Nakamura, Maloney (McGeady 65), McManus  
**Referee:** Kyros Vassaras (GRE)

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**Man. United:** Van der Sar, Heinze (Evra 80), Brown, Cristiano Ronaldo, Rooney, Vidić (Ferdinand 46), Carrick, Solskjaer, O'Shea, Fletcher (Scholes 71), Silvestre  
**Referee:** Wolfgang Stark (GER)

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**Man. United:** Van der Sar, G. Neville, Heinze (Evra 87), Ferdinand, Cristiano Ronaldo, Rooney, Saha, Giggs, Vidić, Carrick (O'Shea 87), Scholes  
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**Benfica:** Quim, Anderson, Léo, Petit, Katsouranis (Mantorras 86), Simão, Nuno Gomes, Nélson, Nuno Assis (Karagounis 80), Miccoli (Karyaka 70), Ricardo Rocha  
**København:** Christiansen, L. Jacobsen, Nørregaard (Berglund 59), Hangeland, Linderoth, Silberbauer (Kvist 59), Grønkjær, Allbäck, Hutchinson, Gravgaard, Wendt (Bergvold 80)  
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**Goals:** 0-1 Nélson 27, 1-1 Vidić 45+1, 2-1 Giggs 61, 3-1 Saha 75  
**Man. United:** Van der Sar, G. Neville, Evra (Heinze 67), Ferdinand, Cristiano Ronaldo, Rooney, Saha, Giggs (Fletcher 74), Vidić, Carrick, Scholes (Solskjaer 79)  
**Benfica:** Quim, Luisão, Léo, Petit, Katsouranis, Simão, Nuno Gomes, Nélson, Nuno Assis (Karagounis 73), Miccoli (Paulo Jorge 64), Ricardo Rocha  
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Goals: 1-0 Hutchinson 2, 2-0 Grønkjær 27, 3-0 Allbäck 57, 3-1 Jarošík 75

København: Christiansen, L. Jacobsen (Nørregaard 56), Hangeland, Linderoth, Silberbauer, Grønkjær (Berglund 90), Allbäck (Bergvold 81), Hutchinson, Gravgaard, Wendt, Kvist

Celtic: Boruc, Naylor, Balde, Żurawski, K. Miller, Wilson, Gravesen (Nakamura 69), Lennon, Jarošík, McManus (O'Dea 73), McGeady (Pearson 69)

Referee: Bertrand Layec (FRA)
Competition facts

UEFA Champions League knockout stage: Did you know?

• Teams have come back from a first-leg deficit to go through to the next stage on 16 occasions. The biggest losing margin a side has overturned was achieved by RC Deportivo La Coruña in 2003/04 when the Spanish club fought back from a 4-1 defeat at AC Milan to win 4-0 at home and progress to the semi-finals.

• Twelve ties have been decided on the away goals rule, including five where the triumphant team lost the first leg. Last season, Villarreal CF beat Rangers FC and FC Internazionale Milano by this method in the first knockout round and quarter-finals respectively.

• Manchester United FC hold the record for the biggest first-leg lead with a 4-0 home success against FC Porto in the 1996/97 quarter-finals, eventually going through by that margin after a goalless return.

• Only five ties have gone to penalties. Four of these have come in finals – 1996, 2001, 2003 and 2005. The only two-legged tie to be decided on spot-kicks was PSV Eindhoven’s 4-2 victory against Olympique Lyonnais on 13 April 2005 after a 2-2 aggregate draw.

• In all, ten ties have required extra-time. Along with the five ties mentioned above, four quarter-finals and one first knockout round encounter have also needed an additional 30 minutes in an attempt to determine a winner.

• No new countries are represented in the knockout phase of this season’s competition but 17 nations have had teams participate at least once since 1992/93. Three clubs - AS Roma, Celtic FC and LOSC Lille Métropole - are all appearing for the first time.

• Real Madrid CF have set a new record for knockout stage qualification in successive seasons. This is the tenth straight season since 1997/98 that they have made it to this stage, moving them ahead of Manchester United, who appeared nine times in a row between 1996/97 and 2004/05. Overall, they have now played in the knockout stage eleven times, one more than United and FC Bayern München.

• The 2004/05 first knockout round encounter between Lyon and Werder Bremen featured more goals over its two legs than any previous tie – a total of 12 as Lyon defeated Bremen 10-2.

• There has never been a tie ending goalless after two legs. Seven have finished 1-0 on aggregate, Arsenal FC featured in two of them in 2005/06 as they overcame Madrid and Villarreal on their way to the final.

• Athens was awarded the 23 May 2007 final after a decision by the UEFA Executive Committee at its meeting in Tallinn, Estonia in April 2005. The Greek capital will play host to its first European final since the venue was rebuilt to stage the 2004 Olympic Games. The stadium previously provided the backdrop to the UEFA Champions League showpiece of 1993/94, when Milan were 4-0 winners against FC Barcelona. Prior to 1994, Athens also saw the European Champion Clubs’ Cup lifted in 1982/83, the year after the venue was first inaugurated. On that occasion, Hamburger SV beat Juventus FC 1-0. The ground also staged the 1986/87 UEFA Cup Winners’ Cup final when AFC Ajax were 1-0 winners against 1. FC Lokomotiv Leipzig.

• UEFA Champions League: All-time records

Biggest wins

7-0: Juventus v Olympiacos CFP (10.12.2003)
6-0: Olympique de Marseille v PFC CSKA Moskva (17.03.1993)
6-0: Leeds United AFC v Besiktas JK (26.09.2000)
6-0: Real Madrid CF v KRC Genk (25.09.2002)
Most goals in a game
8-3: AS Monaco FC v RC Deportivo La Coruña (05.11.2003)
7-2: Paris Saint-Germain FC v Rosenborg BK (24.10.2000)
7-2: Olympique Lyonnais v Werder Bremen (08.03.2005)
Only one team has scored more than five goals in an away game, Manchester United FC winning 6-2 at Brøndby IF in 1998/99.

Leading scorer in a season
12: Ruud van Nistelrooy (Manchester United FC, 2002/03)
Andriy Shevchenko finished as top scorer in 2005/06 with nine goals for AC Milan.

Four goals in a match
Marco van Basten (AC Milan 4-0 IFK Göteborg, 25.11.1992)
Simone Inzaghi (S.S. Lazio 5-1 Olympique de Marseille, 14.03.2000)
Dado Pršo (AS Monaco FC 8-3 RC Deportivo La Coruña, 05.11.2003)
Ruud van Nistelrooy (Manchester United FC 4-1 AC Sparta Praha, 03.11.2004)
Andriy Shevchenko (Fenerbahçe SK 0-4 AC Milan, 23.11.2005)
Of these four-goal hauls, Dado Pršo's against Deportivo was the quickest. He scored his first goal 26 minutes into the game and his fourth just 23 minutes later.

Fastest goal in a match
20.07 secs: Gilberto (PSV Eindhoven 0-4 Arsenal FC, 25.09.2002)
20.12 secs: Alessandro Del Piero (Manchester United FC 3-2 Juventus, 01.10.1997)
21.20 secs: Clarence Seedorf (FC Schalke 04 2-2 AC Milan, 28.09.2005)
25.40 secs: Marek Inkl (Club Brugge KV 3-2 SK Rapid Wien, 02.11.2005)
28.21 secs: Mariano Bombarda (Willem II 3-4 AC Sparta Praha, 20.10.1999)

Fastest hat-tricks
9 mins: Mike Newell (Blackburn Rovers FC 4-1 Rosenborg BK, 06.12.1995)
19 mins: Marco Simone (Rosenborg BK 1-4 AC Milan, 25.09.1996)
19 mins: Dado Pršo (AS Monaco FC 8-3 RC Deportivo La Coruña, 05.11.2003)
21 mins: Sigurd Rushfeldt (Rosenborg BK 3-0 Galatasaray SK, 21.10.1998)
21 mins: Simone Inzaghi (S.S. Lazio 5-1 Olympique de Marseille, 14.03.2000)

Youngest players to score
17 years, 195 days: Peter Olafaniyaye (Rosenborg BK 5-1 Olympiacos CFP, 01.10.1997)
17 years, 218 days: Cesc Fabregas (Arsenal FC 5-1 Rosenborg BK, 07.12.2004)
17 years, 241 days: Martin Klein (Panathinaikos FC 2-1 AC Sparta Praha, 27.02.2002)
17 years, 353 days: Karim Benzema (Olympique Lyonnais 2-1 Rosenborg BK, 06.12.2005)
18 years, 61 days: Sammy Kuffour (FC Bayern München 2-2 FC Spartak Moskva, 02.11.1994)
18 years, 70 days: Andriy Shevchenko (FC Dynamo Kyiv 1-4 FC Bayern München, 07.12.1994)
Peter Olafaniyaye became the youngest player to score, but Celestine Babayaro is still the youngest to appear, having begun RSC Anderlecht's game against FC Steaua Bucuresti on 23 November 1994 aged 16 years and 87 days.

Appearances: UEFA Champions League
Note: This list considers group stage to final only; Players listed in bold are still involved this season.

106 Raúl González (Real Madrid CF)
105 Roberto Carlos (Real Madrid CF)
102 David Beckham (Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)
100 Oliver Kahn (FC Bayern München)
99 Paolo Maldini (AC Milan)
96 Gary Neville (Manchester United FC)
95 Luis Figo (FC Barcelona, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano)
90 Ryan Giggs (Manchester United FC)
90 Paul Scholes (Manchester United FC)
88 Clarence Seedorf (AFC Ajax, Real Madrid CF, AC Milan)
83 Thierry Henry (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)
83 Andriy Shevchenko (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
81 Frank de Boer (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona, Galatasaray SK)
81 Hasan Salihamidžić (FC Bayern München)
80 Fernando Morientes (Real Madrid CF, AS Monaco FC, Liverpool FC, Valencia CF)
80 Zinédine Zidane (Juventus, Real Madrid CF)
79 Alessandro Del Piero (Juventus)
79 Guti (Real Madrid CF)
79 Iván Helguera (Real Madrid CF)
78 Claude Makelele (FC Nantes Atlantique, Real Madrid CF, Chelsea FC)
78 Alessio Tacchinardi (Juventus, Villarreal CF)
78 Michel Salgado (Real Madrid CF)
76 Iker Casillas (Real Madrid CF)
75 Phillip Cocu (PSV Eindhoven, FC Barcelona)
75 Ole Gunnar Solskjær (Manchester United FC)
75 Sylvain Wiltord (FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Arsenal FC, Olympique Lyonnais)

Goals: UEFA Champions League

54 Raúl González (Real Madrid CF)
47 Ruud van Nistelrooy (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)
44 Andriy Shevchenko (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
42 Thierry Henry (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)

Appearances: UEFA club competition

162 Paolo Maldini (AC Milan)
134 Luis Figo (Sporting Clube de Portugal, FC Barcelona, Real Madrid CF, FC Internazionale Milano)
130 Frank de Boer (AFC Ajax, FC Barcelona, Galatasaray SK)
130 Oliver Kahn (Karslruher SC, FC Bayern München)
122 Zinédine Zidane (AS Cannes, FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Juventus, Real Madrid CF)
121 Alessandro Costacurta (AC Milan)

Goals: UEFA club competition
62 Gerd Müller (FC Bayern München)
57 Andriy Shevchenko (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
56 Eusébio (SL Benfica)
56 Raúl González (Real Madrid CF)
55 Filippo Inzaghi (Parma FC, Juventus, AC Milan)
51 Ruud van Nistelrooy (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)
50 Alfredo Di Stéfano (Real Madrid CF)
50 Thierry Henry (AS Monaco FC, Juventus, Arsenal FC)
47 Carlos Santillana (Real Madrid CF)
46 Henrik Larsson (Feyenoord, Celtic FC, FC Barcelona)

Goals: UEFA Champions League/European Champion Clubs' Cup

Note: This list considers the all-time goalscorers list in both competitions including all qualifying round matches

54 Raúl González (Real Madrid CF)
53 Andriy Shevchenko (FC Dynamo Kyiv, AC Milan, Chelsea FC)
51 Ruud van Nistelrooy (PSV Eindhoven, Manchester United FC, Real Madrid CF)
49 Alfredo Di Stéfano (Real Madrid CF)
47 Eusébio (SL Benfica)
42 Thierry Henry (AS Monaco FC, Arsenal FC)

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Team facts

LOSC Lille Métropole

UEFA club competition milestones
• Although crowned French champions in 1946 and 1954, and having five French Cups to their name, Lille had to wait until 2001/02 to play their first European game, knocking Parma FC out of UEFA Champions League in the third qualifying round before going out in the group stage after being drawn alongside RC Deportivo La Coruña, Olympiacos CFP and Manchester United FC.

• Winners of the UEFA Intertoto Cup in 2004, Lille have twice reached the last 16 of UEFA Cup but arguably their greatest night came during the 2005/06 season when Les Dogues overcame Manchester United 1-0 at the Stade de France to finish ahead of the English giants in third spot in their UEFA Champions League group.

UEFA club competition honours
• UEFA Intertoto Cup: 2004

Ten-year record (including current season)
• Their appearance in the UEFA Champions League this season is their second in a row and third in six seasons. This season, Lille booked their place in the group stage with a 4-0 aggregate success at FK Rabotnicki's expense. The French side recorded two victories and three draws from their six outings in the group stage to finish second in the standings with nine points, one behind AC Milan.

1997/98: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
1998/99: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
1999/00: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
2000/01: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
2001/02: UEFA Champions League - group stage
2002/03: Did not compete in UEFA club competition
2003/04: UEFA Intertoto Cup - runners-up
2004/05: UEFA Cup - round of 16 (having qualified for the competition as UEFA Intertoto Cup winners)
2005/06: UEFA Cup - round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League, group stage)
2006/07: UEFA Champions League - first knockout round

2005/06 season

Domestic record: Lille snatched third place in Ligue 1 in the last moments of the season, coming back from 2-0 down to draw 2-2 against Stade Rennais FC thanks to goals from Nicolas Fauvergue and Mathieu Bodmer. It was enough to earn a place in the third qualifying of the UEFA Champions League, as they finished nine points behind FC Girondins de Bordeaux and 22 off champions Olympique Lyonnais.

European record: Playing their home games at the Stade de France in Paris, Lille only scored one goal in the group stage of the UEFA Champions League although, against Manchester United, it was enough to finish ahead of the former winners and claim third spot and a place in the UEFA Cup. There they defeated FC Shakhtar Donetsk in the Round of 32 before losing 2-1 on aggregate to eventual winners Sevilla FC.

Key facts

UEFA club competition
• Pld: 52 W: 23 D: 19 L: 10 GF: 58 GA: 33

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final)
• Pld: 18 W: 4 D: 9 L: 5 GF: 16 GA: 14
European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

• Pld: 22 W: 7 D: 9 L: 6 GF: 22 GA: 15

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest win
3-0: LOSC Lille Métropole v FK Rabotnicki
09.08.2006, 2006/07 European Champion Clubs' Cup, third qualifying round, first leg
3-0: LOSC Lille Métropole v NK Slaven Koprivnica
28.07.2004, 2004 UEFA Intertoto Cup, semi-finals, first leg

• Biggest home win
3-0: LOSC Lille Métropole v FK Rabotnicki (see above for details)
3-0: LOSC Lille Métropole v NK Slaven Koprivnica (see above for details)

• Biggest away win
0-2: AC Milan v LOSC Lille Métropole
06.12.2006, 2006/07 UEFA Champions League, group stage
0-2: UD Leiria v LOSC Lille Métropole
24.08.2004, 2004 UEFA Intertoto Cup, final matches, second leg
0-2: Aston Villa FC v LOSC Lille Métropole
07.08.2002, 2002 UEFA Intertoto Cup, semi-final matches, second leg
0-2: FC Gloria 1922 Bistrita v LOSC Lille Métropole
20.07.2002, 2002 UEFA Intertoto Cup, third round, first leg
0-2: Parma AC v LOSC Lille Métropole
08.08.2001, 2001/02 European Champion Clubs' Cup, third qualifying round, first leg

• Heaviest defeat
2-0: Sevilla FC v LOSC Lille Métropole
15.03.2006, 2005/06 UEFA Cup, round of 16, second leg
2-0: VfB Stuttgart v LOSC Lille Métropole
27.08.2002, 2002 UEFA Intertoto Cup, final matches, second leg

• Heaviest home defeat
0-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v AJ Auxerre
10.03.2005, 2004/05 UEFA Cup, round of 16, first leg
0-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v Parma FC
22.08.2001, 2001/02 European Champion Clubs' Cup, third qualifying round, second leg

• Heaviest away defeat
2-0: Sevilla FC v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
2-0: VfB Stuttgart v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

• Biggest win
0-2: AC Milan v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
3-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v AEK Athens FC
17.10.2006, 2006/07 UEFA Champions League, group stage
3-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v Olympiacos CFP
25.09.2001, 2001/02 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

• Biggest home win
3-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v AEK Athens FC (see above for details)
3-1: LOSC Lille Métropole v Olympiacos CFP (see above for details)
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• Biggest away win
0-2: AC Milan v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)

• Heaviest defeat
1-0: AEK Athens FC v LOSC Lille Métropole
01.11.2006, 2006/07 UEFA Champions League, group stage
1-0: Villarreal CF v LOSC Lille Métropole
07.12.2005, 2005/06 UEFA Champions League, group stage
1-0: SL Benfica v LOSC Lille Métropole
14.09.2005, 2005/06 UEFA Champions League, group stage
2-1: Olympiacos CFP v LOSC Lille Métropole
17.10.2001, 2001/02 UEFA Champions League, first group stage
1-0: Manchester United FC v LOSC Lille Métropole
18.09.2001, 2001/02 UEFA Champions League, first group stage

• Heaviest home defeat
No home defeats recorded to date in the competition

• Heaviest away defeat
1-0: AEK Athens FC v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
1-0: Villarreal CF v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
1-0: SL Benfica v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
2-1: Olympiacos CFP v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)
1-0: Manchester United FC v LOSC Lille Métropole (see above for details)

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Manchester United FC

UEFA club competition milestones
• United have twice been crowned champions of Europe. Their last success came in the 1998/99 UEFA Champions League final when they overturned a one-goal deficit against FC Bayern München with goals from Teddy Sheringham and Ole Gunnar Solskjaer in added time. United also won the 1967/68 European Champion Clubs’ Cup final against SL Benfica, running out 4-1 winners after extra time.

UEFA club competition honours
• European Champion Clubs’ Cup: 1967/68, 1998/99
• UEFA Cup Winners’ Cup: 1990/91
• European/South American Cup: 1999
• UEFA Super Cup: 1991

Ten-year record (including current season)
• Last season's failure to get out of the group stage ended a run of nine straight participations in the knockout stages. It was the first time they had failed to do so since 1994/95. However, United returned to the knockout stages once more this season, topping their group with four wins from their six outings to post a 12-point tally, three clear of second-placed Celtic FC.
1997/98: UEFA Champions League - quarter-finals
1998/99: UEFA Champions League - winners
1999/00: UEFA Champions League - quarter-finals
2000/01: UEFA Champions League - quarter-finals
2001/02: UEFA Champions League - semi-finals
2002/03: UEFA Champions League - quarter-finals
2003/04: UEFA Champions League - first knockout round
2004/05: UEFA Champions League - first knockout round
2005/06: UEFA Champions League - group stage
2006/07: UEFA Champions League - first knockout round

2005/06 season
Domestic record: United went one better than the previous Premiership campaign by finishing second, eight points behind champions Chelsea FC. Crucially, they were a point better off than Liverpool FC to earn a direct entry into the UEFA Champions League.

European record: Although Debreceni VSC were brushed aside in qualifying, United came unstuck in the group stage of the UEFA Champions League. The only win came in a 2-1 home defeat of SL Benfica and losses in the return fixture as well as at LOSC Lille Métropole saw United finish in last place. Two draws with section winners, and eventual semi-finalists, Villarreal CF showed that United were not totally outclassed.

Key facts
UEFA club competition

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final)
• Pld: 121 W: 61 D: 31 L: 29 GF: 213 GA: 120

European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

Records
UEFA club competition
• Biggest win
10-0: Manchester United FC v RSC Anderlechtois
26.09.1956, 1956/57 European Champion Clubs' Cup, preliminary round, second leg

• Biggest home win
10-0: Manchester United FC v RSC Anderlechtois (see above for details)

• Biggest away win
0-6: Shamrock Rovers FC v Manchester United FC
25.09.1957, 1957/58 European Champion Clubs' Cup, preliminary round, first leg

• Heaviest defeat
5-0: Sporting Clube de Portugal v Manchester United FC
18.03.1964, 1963/64 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, quarter-finals, second leg
• Heaviest home defeat
0-1: Manchester United FC v AC Milan
23.02.2005, 2004/05 UEFA Champions League, first knockout round, first leg
2-3: Manchester United FC v RC Deportivo La Coruña
17.10.2001, 2001/02 UEFA Champions League, first group stage
0-1: Manchester United FC v FC Bayern München
03.04.2001, 2000/01 UEFA Champions League, quarter-finals, first leg
2-3: Manchester United FC v Real Madrid CF
0-1: Manchester United FC v BV Borussia Dortmund
0-1: Manchester United FC v Juventus
20.11.1996, 1996/97 UEFA Champions League, group stage
0-1: Manchester United FC v Fenerbahçe SK
30.10.1996, 1996/97 UEFA Champions League, group stage

• Heaviest away defeat
5-0: Sporting Clube de Portugal v Manchester United FC (see above for details)

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)
• Biggest win
5-0: Manchester United FC v Panathinaikos FC
16.09.2003, 2003/04 UEFA Champions League, group stage
5-0: Manchester United FC v Brøndby IF
04.11.1998, 1998/99 UEFA Champions League, group stage

• Biggest home win
5-0: Manchester United FC v Panathinaikos FC (see above for details)
5-0: Manchester United FC v Brøndby IF (see above for details)

• Biggest away win
2-6: Brøndby IF v Manchester United FC

• Heaviest defeat
4-0: FC Barcelona v Manchester United FC
02.11.1994, 1994/95 UEFA Champions League, group stage

• Heaviest home defeat
0-1: Manchester United FC v AC Milan (see above for details)
2-3: Manchester United FC v RC Deportivo La Coruña (see above for details)
0-1: Manchester United FC v FC Bayern München (see above for details)
2-3: Manchester United FC v Real Madrid CF (see above for details)
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0-1: Manchester United FC v Juventus (see above for details)
0-1: Manchester United FC v Fenerbahçe SK (see above for details)

• Heaviest away defeat
4-0: FC Barcelona v Manchester United FC (see above for details)

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UEFA's most prestigious club competition was originally created as the European Champion Clubs' Cup for the 1955/56 season, before its revamping as the UEFA Champions League in 1992.

**Locally-trained players rule:** In February 2005, UEFA announced that the 'A' list that teams submit for UEFA club competitions will continue to be limited to 25 players, and from season 2006/07, at least four places on this list will be reserved for players trained by the club's own football academy of which half can be players trained by other clubs from within the same association of the said club.

The 'B' list will also continue to exist - involving an unlimited number of Under-21 players who have been at the club for two seasons. In 2007/08, the number of locally-trained players in a squad will increase to six before rising to eight in 2008/09, with up to half of each figure allowed to be association trained.

A club-trained player is defined as a player who has been registered for a minimum of three seasons with the club between the age of 15 and 21, whereas an association-trained player is one who has been registered for at least three seasons by the club or by other clubs affiliated to the same association between the age of 15 and 21.

UEFA is concerned some clubs are not training enough of their own players, but simply taking them from elsewhere. The proposed measures have the objective of creating a better balance in domestic competitions, preventing clubs from simply 'hoarding' players in squads and creating a system whereby locally-trained players would be given a greater opportunity to play regularly in club sides - ensuring a large reservoir of talent for national teams as a consequence.

**Financial information:** UEFA says the estimated budgeted income for the 2006/07 UEFA Champions League is €750m – higher than the 2005/06 campaign revenue which amounted to CHF943m (approx. €610m).

Under the competition regulations, 75 per cent of the total revenue received from television and commercial contracts concluded by UEFA, up to a maximum of €530m will go to the 32 clubs taking part in the group stage of Europe’s premier club competition. The remaining 25 per cent is earmarked for European football and remains with UEFA to cover organisational and administrative costs, as well as for solidarity payments to associations, clubs and leagues.

It is also stipulated that participating clubs will receive 82 per cent of any revenue received from the same stream in excess of €530m, with the remaining 18 per cent allocated to UEFA for European football. In addition, 50 per cent of the revenue received from new media contracts concluded by UEFA will also be available for distribution to the clubs, and the remaining 50 per cent will be allocated to the above-mentioned European football portion/quota.

The gross income for 2006/07 is estimated at €750m, and according to projections, will be made up of €743.3m from TV and commercial contracts and €6.7m from new media contracts.

The fixed amount to the clubs is €276.6m. Each of the 32 clubs in the group stage will receive a starting bonus of €2m. In addition, they will receive a match bonus of €400,000 per match. Performance bonuses will amount to €600,000 for a win and €300,000 for a draw in the group stage. The 16 teams playing in the first knockout round will receive €2.2m, the eight quarter-finalists €2.5m each and the four semi-finalists €3m each. The UEFA Champions League winners will receive €7m, and the runners-up €4m.

This means that a total minimum amount of €4.4m per club is guaranteed for the group stage. A club could receive, at best, up to €22.7m, not counting the market pool share and gate receipts.

The remaining €270.4m will be distributed according to the proportional value of each TV market represented by the clubs taking part in the UEFA Champions League, and to be split among the number of teams – four, three, two or one – participating from a given association.
• **Deadlines:** UEFA Champions League matchday stats packs and match-by-match press kits are provided to media by uefa.com. For every matchday, a global stats pack is created and issued once matches from the previous matchday have been completed and the data verified. For every UEFA Champions League match, two press kits are issued in English: Sunday at 22:00CET with a match preview update on Monday at 22:00CET for Tuesday’s matches. For Wednesday’s matches, the press kit is issued on Monday at 22:00CET with the match preview update version published on Tuesday at 22:00CET. Multilingual versions of press kits, determined on a match-by-match basis, are also issued with similar deadlines.

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:: All-time statistics
The all-time record of the competing clubs in UEFA club competition.

**UEFA club competitions:** These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in UEFA club competitions defined as the European Champion Clubs’ Cup, the UEFA Champions League, the UEFA Cup Winners’ Cup, the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Super Cup (from the 1973 competition), the UEFA Intertoto Cup and the European/South American Cup. Matches in the Inter-Cities’ Fairs Cup and the 1972 Super Cup are included only for information purposes as these competitions were not held under UEFA auspices.

**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.

**Current season - UCLQ:** Total UEFA Champions League appearances in qualifying rounds only.

**Current season - UCL:** Total UEFA Champions League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday.

**All-time - UCL:** Total appearances in the UEFA Champions League from the 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

**All-time - UEFA:** Total appearances in UEFA club competitions (as defined above) including all qualifying round matches. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

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

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

**Note:** The booking list is destined for the press. It is given to the competing clubs for information purposes only and therefore has no legal value. In the event of any discrepancy, only the correspondence addressed directly to the clubs will be considered as the authoritative version.

:: Match officials
The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

**UCL:** Total matches officiated in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

**UEFA:** Total matches officiated in UEFA club competitions including all qualifying round matches. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

:: Competitions

**Club competitions**

**ECCC:** European Champions Clubs’ Cup/UEFA Champions League

**UCUP:** UEFA Cup • **UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners’ Cup

**SCUP:** UEFA Super Cup • **UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup

**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

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

**U17:** UEFA European Under-17 Championship • **U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship

**RCUP:** UEFA Regions’ Cup • **MCUP:** UEFA-CAF Meridian Cup

:: Competition stages

**F:** Final

**GS:** Group stage

**GS1:** First group stage

**GS2:** Second group stage

**KO1:** First knockout round

**KO2:** Second qualifying round

**R1:** First round

**R2:** Second round

**R3:** Third round

**R4:** Fourth round

**SF:** Semi-finals

**QF:** Quarter-finals

**QR:** Qualifying round

**QR1:** First qualifying round

**QR2:** Second qualifying round

**1/8:** Eighth-finals

**1/16:** Sixteenth-finals

**1st:** First leg

**2nd:** Second leg

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