

IRB SEVENS 2005/06

OVERALL REVIEW

**A STATISTICAL REVIEW AND ANALYSIS OF
THE EIGHT LEGS OF THE 2005/06
TOURNAMENT**



IRB GAME ANALYSIS



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INTRODUCTION

This report is a quantitative review of all 8 legs (Dubai, George, Wellington, Los Angeles, Hong Kong, Singapore, Paris and London) played in the IRB Sevens 2005/06 tournament which brings together the data shown in the 8 reports that have already been issued. It has several objectives:

- a) It provides a profile or picture of how Sevens was played at international level in 2005/06
- b) It provides a basis on which the development of the game can be compared year on year
- c) It identifies alternative strategies that are adopted in certain areas of the game
- d) It shows the relative performances of each team in many aspects of play when compared with all other teams
- e) It incorporates further detailed analyses of each team's individual performance that can be compared with other countries and used to measure changes in performance from year to year.

In summary, it comprises an analysis of all elements of play together with the approach and performance of all the participating teams.

The report looks, therefore, at such areas as

- Scoring and the effectiveness of each team in attack and defence
- The source, origin and build up of tries
- The effectiveness of teams in retaining possession
- Each country's passes and rate of passing
- Each country's second phases and rate of second phase play
- The number and nature of tackles made by each team
- Each team's approach and success at the breakdown
- Each country's performance on its own restarts
- Plus data on scrums, lineouts, penalties, refereeing and temporary suspensions.

In order to achieve the objectives outlined above, the report has been arranged into 3 sections;

- 1 The first is a short commentary on the series - followed by a brief statistical summary
- 2 The second is a comprehensive statistical analysis of all 8 legs of the series where various elements of the game are reviewed and each country's performance is highlighted
- 3 The final section brings together, in an alternative format, much of the data included in the previous section. This allows the participating teams to compare their performance in a range of areas against other teams without having to refer back into the main body of the report. The data can also be used as a benchmark for measuring performances in future series.

OVERALL STANDINGS

	DUB	GEO	NZL	USA	HKG	SIN	PAR	LON	OVERALL
Fiji	16	20	20	16	24	20	8	20	144
England	20	12	8	20	30	16	4	12	122
South Africa	12	12	16	12	18	12	20	8	110
New Zealand	8	6	12	12	18	4	4	12	76
Samoa	12	8	4	0	8	8	16	16	72
Argentina	4	16	6	8	8	12	6	4	64
France	6	4	12	6	0	6	12	4	50
Australia	4	4	4	4	8	4	12	0	40
Kenya	0	0	0	0	3	2	2	6	13
Scotland	0	0	2	2	8	0	0	0	12
Wales	2	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	8
Canada	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4
Portugal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
China	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Arabian Gulf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cook Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chinese Taipei	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Georgia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Germany	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hong Kong	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Korea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Madagascar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Japan	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mexico	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Namibia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Niue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Papua New Guinea	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Russia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Singapore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sri Lanka	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tonga	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tunisia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uganda	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Uruguay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
USA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Indies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Zimbabwe	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SERIES RANKING POINTS

		16 Teams	24 Teams
Cup	Winner (1) Runner Up (1) Semi Final (2) Quarter Final (4)	20 points 16 points 12 points	30 points 24 points 18 points 8 points
Plate	Winner (1) Runner Up (1) Semi Final (2)	8 points 6 points 4 points	4 points 3 points 2 points
Bowl	Winner (1)	2 points	1 points

PLAYER STATISTICS

	Player	Most Points	Player	Most Tries	Player	Most Goals
1	Ben Gollings ENG	343	Timoteo losua SAM	40	Ben Gollings ENG	104
2	Stefan Basson RSA	286	Sireli Naqelevuiki FJI	35	Stefan Basson RSA	78
3	William Ryder FJI	259	William Ryder FJI	33	Lavin Asego KEN	59
4	Timoteo losua SAM	226	Dave Strettle ENG	30	Dwayne Sweeney NZL	58
5	Uale Mai SAM	221	Dave Moonlight CAN	29	Uale Mai SAM	53
6	Dwayne Sweeney NZL	181	Ben Gollings ENG	27	Michael Black AUS	50
7	Jone Daunivucu FJI	179	Stefan Basson RSA	26	Waisale Serevi FJI	50
8	Sireli Naqelevuiki FJI	175	Filimoni Bolavucu FJI	26	William Ryder FJI	47
9	Alistair Warnock SCO	170	Jone Daunivucu FJI	25	Alistair Warnock SCO	45
10	Neumi Nanuku FJI	170	Jacques Boussuge FRA	24	Pedro Leal POR	38
11	Lavin Asego KEN	163	Andrew Vilik ENG	24	James Hook WAL	36
12	Dave Strettle ENG	150	Uale Mai SAM	23	Neumi Nanuku FJI	35
13	Dave Moonlight CAN	149	Mathew Tait ENG	22	Clark Laidlaw SCO	33
14	Pedro Leal POR	141	Tom Vardell ENG	22	Mike Danskin CAN	32
15	James Hook WAL	137	Neumi Nanuku FJI	20	Juan Ignacio Gauthier ARG	32

WINNING AND LOSING

Fiji - Winners of the IRB Sevens 2005-2006.

Not only were they 22 points clear in the final standings as shown earlier but their 90% win percentage was way ahead of any other team.

What follows below is a table that gives the number of matches won by each of the 33 participating teams - plus the percentage success rate of those teams that played in all 8 legs. Percentage figures would be misleading if applied to those teams that played in either one or two legs and therefore played relatively few matches.

	Matches	Matches Won % 2005/06	Matches Won % 2004/05
FJI	48	43 wins - 90%	30 wins - 75%
ENG	45	37 wins - 82%	30 wins - 77%
RSA	43	32 wins - 74%	27 wins - 71%
NZL	42	28 wins - 67%	36 wins - 92%
SAM	43	28 wins - 65%	24 wins - 60%
ARG	43	24 wins - 56%	26 wins - 67%
AUS	39	19 wins - 49%	22 wins - 56%
FRA	43	20 wins - 47%	16 wins - 46%
KEN	46	21 wins - 46%	14 wins - 37%
SCO	42	19 wins - 45%	15 wins - 42%
CAN	44	17 wins - 39%	18 wins - 45%
WAL	18	14 from 18	n/a
POR	26	11 from 26	8 from 22
TON	12	7 from 12	6 from 12
RUS	15	5 from 15	1 from 11
ITA	16	5 from 16	3 from 10
TUN	22	4 from 22	7 from 22
CHN	12	4 from 12	1 from 6
TPE	6	3 from 6	3 from 6
JAP	10	3 from 10	1 from 6
KOR	10	3 from 10	n/a
COK	5	2 from 5	0 from 5
URU	5	2 from 5	1 from 5
ZIM	5	2 from 5	n/a
HKG	10	2 from 10	1 from 5
SRI	5	1 from 5	n/a
PNG	6	1 from 6	n/a
GER	11	1 from 11	n/a
USA	15	1 from 15	0 from 10
MAD	4	0 from 4	n/a
AER	5	0 from 5	0 from 10
NAM	5	0 from 5	0 from 5
NIU	5	0 from 5	2 from 6
MEX	5	0 from 5	1 from 6
UGA	5	0 from 5	2 from 5
WI	5	0 from 5	0 from 5
SIN	9	0 from 9	0 from 5

SECTION 1 COMMENTARY AND STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE IRB SEVENS 2005/06

COMMENTARY

As the 2005/06 IRB Sevens progressed, it became clear that **New Zealand** was not dominating the series as they did in 2004/05. Indeed, by the time the tournament had ended, **New Zealand** had failed to reach the final in any of the 8 legs. This year it was **Fiji** that set the pace, winning the tournament with 144 points and **New Zealand** finding itself in 4th place with 76 points despite having won the gold medal at the Commonwealth Games.

On the way to winning the series, **Fiji**

- won 90% of their matches (the next best was 82%)
- were the top points scorer averaging 31 points a game
- had the highest rate of scoring, managing a try for every 45 seconds possession

In addition **Fiji** also had the best defence

- opponents took on average almost two minutes possession to score a try - which, in sevens terms, is a long time.

In looking at the overall series, it was one that showed a series of contrasts:

- the first was in the relative strengths of the participating teams. Certain teams, for example, averaged 1 point per game while other averaged nearer 30. Certain teams required some 50seconds possession to score a try. Others required upwards of 700 seconds. This is not altogether surprising and is recognised through the Cup, Plate and Bowl competitions
- the second was the contrast that was often seen from game to game
 - One game had **85** points – another **7**
 - One game had a total of **108** passes – another **27**
 - One game had a total of **31** rucks – another **3**
 - One game had a total of **11** scrums – several had **none**
 - One game had a total of **9** lineouts – in many there were **none**
 - One game had a total of **16** penalties – a few had **none**.

The series proved therefore that Sevens is a game that is not predictable – it does not follow a standard formula and the differences are not simply a consequence of the relative strengths of the participating teams.

Differences become apparent because teams can approach certain aspects of the game in different ways:

- Some teams create very little phase play. **Fiji**, for example, rucked at a rate that was less than any other team and at a rate that was 50% of **New Zealand's** and one half of **Canada's**.
- There were clear differences in the approach of the various countries to the breakdown. At attacking breakdowns, for example, **New Zealand** sent in just one player on 84% of occasion while **England's** approach was quite different, sending in more than one player on 55% of occasions and **France** on 50%
- It was the same on defending breakdowns. The extent of additional support to the tackler could vary considerably from team to team with **Fiji** and **South Africa** providing relatively few in comparison with **England, Scotland** and **Canada**.
- There were also differing approaches to restarts. Some countries kick short on almost every occasion while others often kick long. This partly accounts for the big differences between teams in retaining restarts

There were also other differences – some teams play at a greater intensity than others ie they ruck and pass at a higher rate. Some teams manage to score a high number of tries from within their own half and some manage to convert penalty possession, for example, with more effect than others.

All these facts – and many others – are contained in the attached review – a review of a series of sevens rugby matches that produced 42 hours of ball in play, over 2,200 tries, some 25,000 passes, almost 5,000 rucks and mauls and over 13,000 points - only 3 points of which were scored through a penalty kick or drop goal.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY

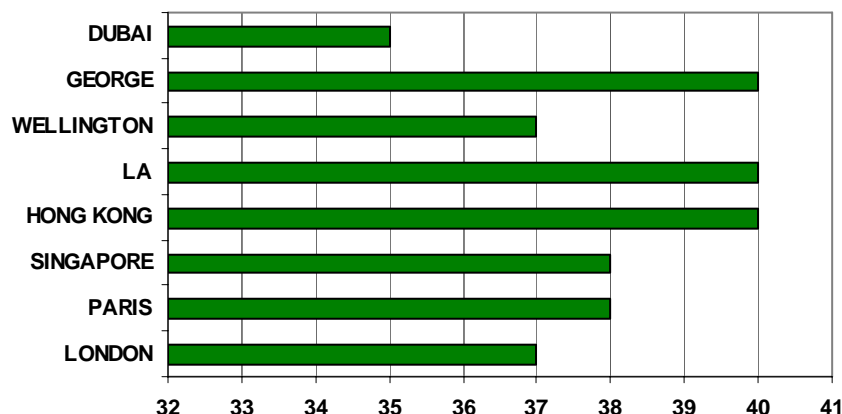
	2005/06	2004/05
POINTS (average per game)	38	36
TRIES (average per game)	6.1	5.9
CONVERSION SUCCESS (%)	63%	60%
PENALTY GOALS (total)	1	0
DROP GOALS (total)	0	0
MATCHES WON by team scoring most tries	90%	93%
SOURCE OF TRIES - Pens/FKs (%)	28%	29%
SOURCE OF TRIES - Turnover/Opp Error (%)	24%	27%
ORIGIN OF TRIES - Own Half (%)	42%	40%
BUILD UP TO TRIES - No Rucks/Mauls	69%	70%
BUILD UP TO TRIES - 3 Or Fewer Passes	63%	59%
BALL IN PLAY (average per game)	6m 47secs or 48%	6m 50secs or 49%
PASSES (average per game)	68	73
RUCKS/MAULS (average per game)	14	13
KICKS (average per game)	4	4
SCRUMS (average per game)	4.6	4.5
SCRUMS possession retained	86%	89%
LINEOUTS (average per game)	2.1	2.0
LINEOUTS percentage contested	65%	58%
LINEOUTS possession retained	72%	76%
RESTARTS kicked short	80%	72%
RESTARTS possession retained	25%	25%
PENALTIES (average per game)	5.8	5.4
PENALTIES awarded at breakdown	52%	58%
YELLOW CARDS (average per tournament)	12	41

SECTION 2 A STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF ALL 8 LEGS OF THE IRB SEVENS 2005/06

SCORING POINTS

The average number of points scored in a game throughout the series was **38**. (2004/05 – 36)
There was little variation between the 8 legs as shown below:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF POINTS PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



The highest number of points in any of the 365 games was **85 (Canada v Mexico in LA)** and the least 7 (**South Africa v Argentina in Wellington**). The average number of points scored by a team was **19** but, not surprisingly, there were major variations around this figure:

AVERAGE POINTS SCORED PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	31*	26	COK	5	24	8
ENG	45	28*	25	TON	12	24	20
NZL	42	28	33	WAL	18	24	n/a
RSA	43	26*	26	KOR	10	19	n/a
SAM	43	25*	21	JAP	10	19	14
AUS	39	20	20	POR	26	19	13
SCO	42	20	16	ZIM	5	18	n/a
ARG	43	19*	23	RUS	15	14	10
CAN	44	17	16	CHN	12	13	9
FRA	43	17	19	HKG	10	13	6
KEN	46	15	13	ITA	16	13	12
				TPE	6	13	11
				URU	5	12	10
				USA	15	12	8
				NIU	5	10	16
				PNG	6	10	n/a
				SRI	5	10	n/a
				GER	11	9	n/a
				TUN	22	9	10
				MAD	4	8	n/a
				AER	5	6	3
				NAM	5	3	9
				WI	5	2	8
				MEX	5	1	3
				SIN	9	1	1
				UGA	5	1	10

* FJI inc 7 finals, ENG inc 4 finals, SAM & RSA inc 2 Finals, ARG inc 1 Final.

The above figures show the average number of points scored. The figures do not show however how effective each team was in scoring points in relation to the possession that it obtained. A team may, for example, obtain little possession but still manage to score a significant number of tries. The following paragraph considers this and attempts to show how successful each team was in converting possession into tries.

This is calculated by adding together the total time each team was in possession of the ball in all the matches played and then dividing it by the number of tries scored. The result then gave a rate of try scoring. As an illustration of this, in the 2005/06 IRB Sevens, **Fiji** scored 1 try for every 45 seconds possession while **Singapore** scored a try for every 861 seconds possession.

RATE OF TRY SCORING

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	1 try for every 45 s	48 s	COK	5	1 try for every 49 s	112 s
RSA	43	50 s	53 s	KOR	10	55 s	n/a
NZL	42	51 s	41 s	WAL	18	55 s	n/a
ENG	45	56 s	61 s	TON	12	58 s	62 s
SAM	43	58 s	71 s	JAP	10	64 s	77 s
ARG	43	64 s	61 s	ZIM	5	72 s	n/a
AUS	39	64 s	65 s	RUS	15	74 s	120 s
KEN	46	76 s	90 s	POR	26	77 s	95 s
SCO	42	76 s	76 s	HKG	10	79 s	230 s
FRA	43	77 s	75 s	CHN	12	81 s	102 s
CAN	44	79 s	84 s	ITA	16	84 s	98 s
				PNG	6	84 s	n/a
				URU	5	88 s	104 s
				TPE	6	91 s	81 s
				SRI	5	98 s	n/a
				USA	15	99 s	148 s
				GER	11	106 s	n/a
				MAD	4	108 s	n/a
				NIU	5	121 s	68 s
				TUN	22	138 s	125 s
				AER	5	209 s	383 s
				WI	5	351 s	115 s
				NAM	5	382 s	87 s
				UGA	5	727 s	74 s
				MEX	5	752 s	304 s
				SIN	9	861 s	913 s

The table shows that on a rate of try scoring, **Fiji** remained top while the **Singapore** stayed at the bottom. Several other teams showed noticeable changes in their position however.

CONCEDING POINTS

The average number of points conceded by a team was **19** but, just as in points scored, there were major variations around this average. **England**, for example, conceded 11 points per game while **Mexico** conceded 61. The average for each competing team was as follows:

AVERAGE POINTS CONCEDED PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
ENG	45	11*	11	WAL	18	12	n/a
FJI	48	12*	13	TON	12	18	16
NZL	42	12	8	POR	26	19	16
RSA	43	13*	13	JAP	10	20	28
SAM	43	13*	13	COK	5	22	31
ARG	43	16*	12	ITA	16	22	25
AUS	39	17	16	KOR	10	22	n/a
SCO	42	17	19	ZIM	5	22	n/a
FRA	43	18	16	RUS	15	24	34
CAN	44	19	19	TUN	22	24	19
KEN	46	22	21	USA	15	25	26
				CHN	12	27	23
				HKG	10	29	27
				URU	5	29	26
				NIU	5	30	25
				PNG	6	31	n/a
				TPE	6	33	25
				SRI	5	34	n/a
				GER	11	36	n/a
				UGA	5	37	27
				AER	5	38	42
				NAM	5	40	38
				MAD	4	41	n/a
				WI	5	43	36
				SIN	9	46	42
				MEX	5	61	40

* FJI inc 7 finals, ENG inc 4 finals, SAM & RSA inc 2 Finals, ARG inc 1 Final.

The above figures show the average number of points conceded. The figures do not show however how effective each team was in restricting points in relation to the possession that their opponents obtained. A team may, for example, concede very few tries in the face of considerable opposition possession. The next chart tries to give some sort of measurement to this by illustrating how successful each team was in preventing their opposition from converting possession into tries.

This is calculated by adding together the total time the team's opponents were in possession of the ball in all the matches and then dividing by the number of tries conceded. The result then gave a rate of try conceding. As an illustration of this, **Chinese Taipei** conceded a try for every 41 seconds possession obtained by their opponents, the **Wales** every 105 seconds.

The following table includes this figure and gives the relevant figure for each participating team:

RATE OF TRY CONCEDING

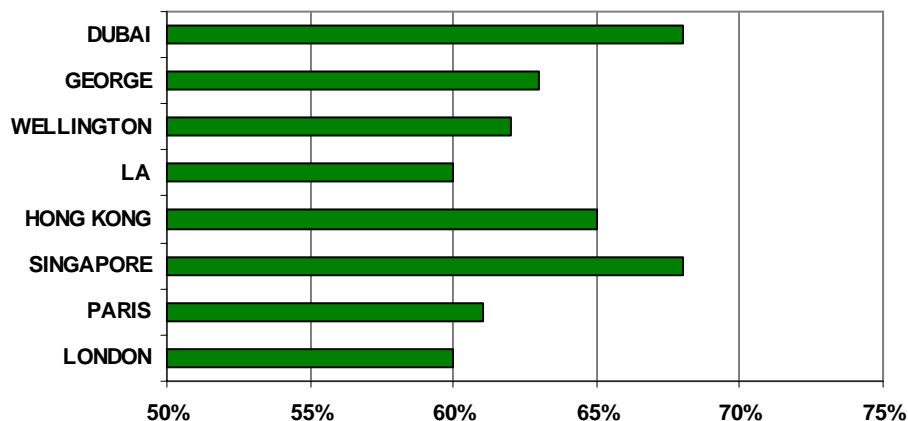
	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	1 try every 114 s	118 secs	WAL	18	1 try every 105 s	n/a
RSA	43	104 s	94 secs	UGA	5	78 s	50 secs
ENG	45	100 s	97 secs	JAP	10	69 s	44 secs
ARG	43	93 s	99 secs	TON	12	67 s	67 secs
NZL	42	93 s	155 secs	POR	26	65 s	78 secs
SAM	43	90 s	94 secs	KOR	10	62 s	n/a
AUS	39	76 s	80 secs	ITA	16	60 s	63 secs
FRA	43	71 s	79 secs	TUN	22	59 s	75 secs
KEN	46	69 s	68 secs	RUS	15	58 s	38 secs
CAN	44	66 s	66 secs	PNG	6	57 s	n/a
SCO	42	62 s	62 secs	ZIM	5	55 s	n/a
				COK	5	54 s	53 secs
				HKG	10	48 s	48 secs
				CHN	12	47 s	55 secs
				URU	5	46 s	45 secs
				USA	15	46 s	52 secs
				SRI	5	45 s	n/a
				NAM	5	43 s	37 secs
				NIU	5	43 s	48 secs
				TPE	6	41 s	55 secs
				MAD	4	40 s	n/a
				GER	11	39 s	n/a
				WI	5	36 s	41 secs
				AER	5	31 s	31 secs
				SIN	9	26 s	35 secs
				MEX	5	23 s	32 secs

OTHER SCORING

There were **2248** tries scored in the series making an average of **6.1** per game. There was only **1** penalty goal kicked from **2** attempts (**England** kicked 1 of 1 attempt and **Samoa** kicked 0 of 1 attempt) and there were no drop goals.

The conversion success rate was **63%**. This was a relatively consistent rate throughout the series.

CONVERSION SUCCESS % PER TOURNAMENT



While the average success rate was consistent from tournament to tournament, participating teams had highly variable conversion success rates. As shown below, there were great variations:

Scotland	74%	(92 from 125 attempts)
Fiji	71%	(165 from 232 attempts)
Canada	57%	(70 from 123 attempts)
Wales	51%	(37 from 73 attempts)
USA	42%	(13 from 31 attempts)

The success rate of each team is shown below but because of the relatively few matches played by some teams, applying percentages in all cases can be misleading. This is why the table below shows success measured in two ways – a percentage success rate for those countries playing in 4 legs or more and numerical success rates for the remainder.

CONVERSION SUCCESS PER TEAM

	Legs	2005/06	2004/05
SCO	8	74%	47%
FJI	8	71%	67%
RSA	8	70%	74%
ARG	8	68%	61%
ENG	8	68%	65%
AUS	8	65%	64%
NZL	8	63%	65%
KEN	8	61%	53%
SAM	8	59%	65%
FRA	8	58%	64%
CAN	8	57%	53%

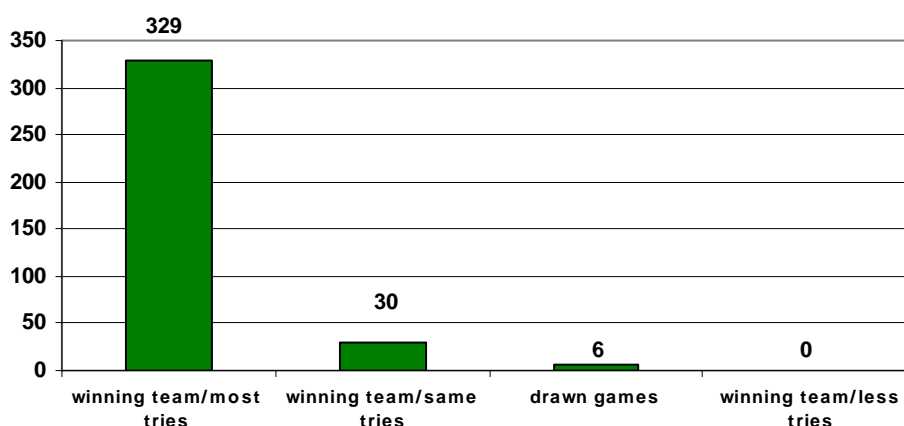
	Legs	2005/06	2004/05
POR	5	68%	45%
TUN	4	49%	60%
RUS	3	19 of 35	12 of 17
ITA	3	17 of 35	14 of 18
WAL	3	37 of 73	n/a
USA	3	13 of 31	7 of 13
HKG	2	15 of 20	3 of 5
TON	2	32 of 45	25 of 39
JAP	2	22 of 30	7 of 14
KOR	2	22 of 30	n/a
CHN	2	14 of 26	3 of 10
GER	2	5 of 18	n/a
SIN	2	0 of 2	1 of 1
NAM	1	2 of 2	1 of 9
MEX	1	1 of 1	2 of 3
MAD	1	4 of 5	n/a
TPE	1	8 of 12	6 of 11
NIU	1	5 of 8	9 of 15
SRI	1	5 of 8	n/a
AER	1	3 of 5	4 of 5
COK	1	11 of 20	3 of 7
ZIM	1	8 of 15	n/a
URU	1	5 of 10	2 of 10
PNG	1	3 of 11	n/a
UGA	1	0 of 1	5 of 8
WI	1	0 of 2	3 of 7

IMPACT OF TRIES

With just 1 penalty goal and no drop goals and a conversion success rate of 63%, it was inevitable that tries would determine the winning team in the vast majority of cases – and this proved to be the case.

Of the 365 matches played in the series, **329 or 90%** of the matches were won by the team scoring the most tries (2004/05- 93%). Only 1 match in 13 was won therefore because of conversions (2004/05 – 1 in 15).

NUMBER OF MATCHES WHEN WINNING TEAM SCORED MOST TRIES



All this poses a question – if conversions have an impact in only 1 match in 13, were over 2200 conversion attempts – and the time taken up by them – really necessary? Could the result of the 1 game in 13 be determined in a different way?

TRY SCORING

There were 2248 tries scored in the 365 matches. The following tables show:

- 1 the **possession source** that resulted in tries
- 2 the **location** of where tries scored
- 3 the **origin** of the tries i.e. where on the pitch the lead up to the try started
- 4 the **build up** to all tries (passes & rucks/mauls)

1. Possession source

The teams scoring the tries obtained possession of the ball prior to the scoring of the try from a variety of sources. This is shown in the following table:

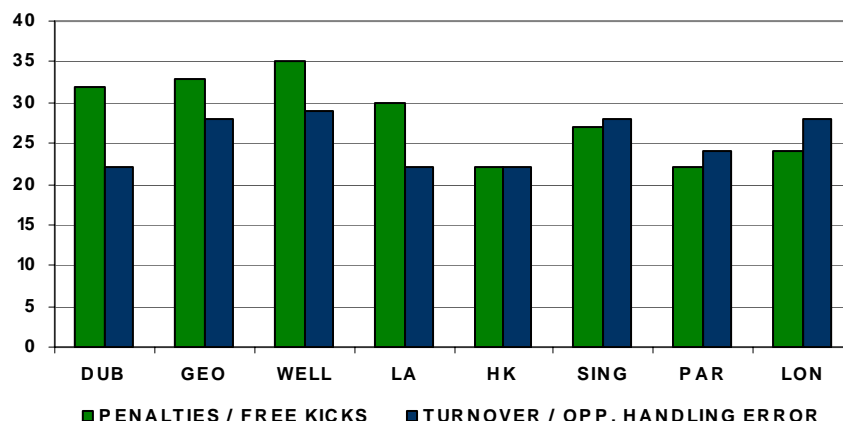
OVERALL POSSESSION SOURCE OF TRIES (%)

	2005/06	2004/05
Penalty / Free kicks	28%	29%
Turnover/Opponent's Handling Error	24%	27%
Scrum (own)	13%	12%
Restart (opp)	12%	10%
Restart (own)	8%	6%
Lineout (own)	5%	6%
Kick Receipt	5%	5%
Lineout (opp)	3%	3%
Scrum (opp)	2%	2%
	100%	100%

The above table shows that like last year, penalties and free kicks are the most productive source of possession leading to tries. They are followed by turnover/opponent's handling errors which together with penalties and free kicks account for over 50% of tries scored.

The following chart shows the percentage of tries coming from penalties/free kicks and turnover/opponents handling errors in all 8 legs.

PERCENTAGE OF TRIES COMING FROM PENS/FKS AND TURNOVER/OPP. ERRORS PER TOURNAMENT



All 37 teams participating in the series did not of course score and concede tries in these proportions. The following tables expand on this and show the possession source through which each team scored its tries – and, conversely, the possession source used by their opponents in the tries that they conceded. These have been expressed in percentage terms for those teams that played over 30 matches and in numerical terms for the remaining teams.

POSSESSION SOURCE OF TRIES SCORED PER TEAM

	PEN/ FK	TURNOVER/ HANDLING ERROR	SCRUM OWN	RESTART OPP	RESTART OWN	L/O OWN	KICK	L/O OPP	SCRUM OPP
FRA	39%	19%	11%	11%	5%	3%	7%	4%	1%
CAN	35%	21%	11%	17%	6%	3%	3%	3%	1%
ENG	33%	20%	10%	11%	10%	7%	5%	1%	3%
ARG	31%	25%	13%	9%	4%	8%	3%	2%	5%
SCO	30%	26%	8%	12%	14%	3%	4%	3%	0%
NZL	28%	22%	13%	14%	7%	7%	6%	1%	2%
KEN	26%	27%	15%	12%	5%	6%	3%	2%	4%
RSA	23%	25%	14%	9%	9%	6%	9%	3%	2%
AUS	23%	23%	15%	12%	9%	6%	6%	3%	3%
SAM	22%	22%	11%	9%	18%	5%	5%	8%	0%
FJI	20%	24%	17%	11%	12%	4%	9%	2%	1%

	PEN/ FK	TURNOVER/ HANDLING ERROR	SCRUM OWN	RESTART OPP	RESTART OWN	L/O OWN	KICK	L/O OPP	SCRUM OPP
POR	25	20	10	10	5	1	2	1	2
WAL	20	18	14	9	2	6	1	1	0
TON	9	8	6	5	6	5	2	2	2
ITA	7	7	5	5	3	5	2	0	2
RUS	6	9	9	2	1	4	2	2	0
TUN	16	6	3	2	0	4	2	0	0
USA	14	3	0	6	0	5	3	0	0
JAP	9	7	6	3	2	2	0	1	0
KOR	6	10	3	5	2	1	2	1	0
CHN	7	10	3	1	3	2	0	0	0
COK	7	3	3	2	0	1	3	0	1
HKG	3	9	3	1	0	1	0	1	2
GER	6	7	1	3	1	0	0	0	0
ZIM	6	5	0	2	0	1	0	1	0
TPE	4	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	0
PNG	4	3	1	2	0	1	0	0	0
URU	1	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
UGA	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
NIU	5	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
SRI	1	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
AER	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
MAD	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
SIN	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
WI	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NAM	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
MEX	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

The table on the previous page shows that **France**, for example, scored 39% of their tries from penalties and free kicks. Only 20% of **Fiji's** tries however came through this route. **Kenya** scored a high percentage of their tries from turnovers/handling errors, **Fiji** scored a high percentage of their tries from scrum possession and **Canada** scored a high percentage of their tries from receiving restarts. Last year, **Argentina** scored the highest proportion of tries from their own restarts. However, this year **Samoa** were 4 times more likely to scored from their own restarts than Argentina. This could be the result of them being the most successful team at retaining possession at their kick-offs.

The following table looks at the converse – that is tries conceded by each team and the possession source that resulted in those tries.

POSSESSION SOURCE OF TRIES CONCEDED PER TEAM

	PEN/ FK	TURNOVER/ HANDLING ERROR	SCRUM OWN	RESTART OPP	RESTART OWN	L/O OWN	KICK	L/O OPP	SCRUM OPP
FJI	45%	16%	12%	15%	4%	6%	1%	1%	0%
NZL	40%	18%	10%	13%	7%	4%	2%	6%	0%
ENG	36%	16%	10%	11%	13%	5%	3%	3%	3%
SAM	36%	31%	3%	17%	5%	5%	2%	1%	0%
ARG	33%	14%	11%	13%	6%	9%	10%	2%	2%
FRA	33%	18%	15%	12%	2%	8%	6%	2%	4%
RSA	33%	20%	9%	13%	8%	8%	4%	2%	3%
CAN	31%	31%	16%	7%	6%	4%	1%	3%	1%
KEN	30%	26%	10%	10%	12%	3%	6%	2%	1%
AUS	22%	36%	15%	11%	5%	4%	3%	0%	4%
SCO	17%	31%	20%	9%	6%	12%	3%	1%	1%

	PEN/ FK	TURNOVER/ HANDLING ERROR	SCRUM OWN	RESTART OPP	RESTART OWN	L/O OWN	KICK	L/O OPP	SCRUM OPP
TUN	22	21	11	9	9	1	7	4	1
POR	21	20	16	5	14	5	1	0	1
SIN	16	16	8	9	5	2	3	5	0
GER	11	14	9	7	8	3	5	0	4
USA	15	14	10	3	6	4	4	1	3
ITA	15	10	9	5	7	6	5	1	1
RUS	10	13	10	8	7	1	3	2	3
CHN	13	10	7	3	6	3	9	1	0
MEX	9	10	3	18	1	2	1	3	1
HKG	14	15	4	2	3	3	2	2	1
KOR	6	10	4	5	4	2	2	0	1
WI	3	10	7	6	0	3	2	2	1
TON	11	11	2	1	4	1	3	2	0
NAM	4	12	7	0	3	3	2	0	1
WAL	11	6	6	0	7	0	1	1	0
JAP	5	11	1	2	6	3	2	0	1
TPE	3	11	6	6	3	0	1	1	0
URU	6	2	2	1	5	5	2	0	0
AER	8	6	4	0	6	4	1	1	0
UGA	10	5	4	0	7	2	1	0	1
PNG	6	6	2	7	1	2	3	2	1
SRI	5	5	3	4	2	1	3	4	0
MAD	6	3	6	3	2	1	5	0	0
NIU	10	5	3	3	2	0	0	0	0
COK	7	4	1	1	1	0	2	2	0
ZIM	6	3	2	0	4	0	3	0	0

What was particularly noticeable from the above schedule that overall winners **Fiji** and second placed **England** were among the 3 lowest conceders of tries from turnovers/handling errors. Compared to last year, **England** has reduced the number of tries conceded from turnovers and handling errors from 33% of all tries to 15%.

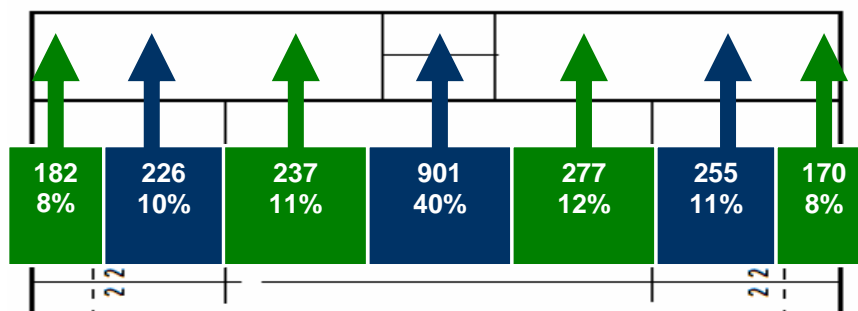
Fiji conceded 45% of their tries from penalties or free kicks, whilst **Scotland** and **Australia** conceded less than half this percentage. Interestingly, **Samoa** the team who were successful at scoring from their own restart possession conceded the highest percentage of tries when receiving restarts (17%).

2 Try Locations

Of all the tries scored,

- 40% were scored under the posts
- 18% within 15 metres of the left corner flag
- 19% within 15 metres of the right corner flag
- 23% were scored in-field either side of the posts.

OVERALL POSITION OF TRIES SCORED (%)

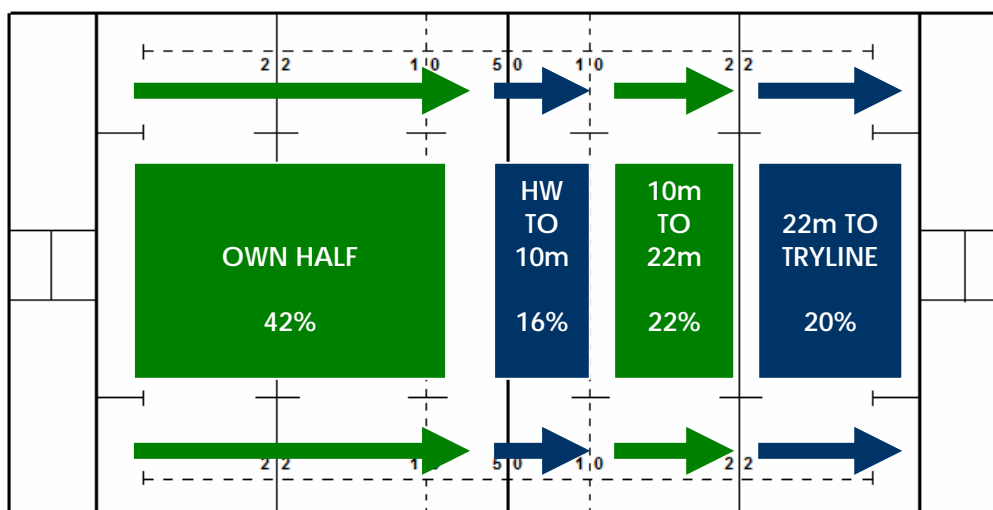


3 Origin of tries

The 2248 tries originated from various parts of the pitch. The following paragraph shows where the attacking team obtained possession from which they eventually scored:

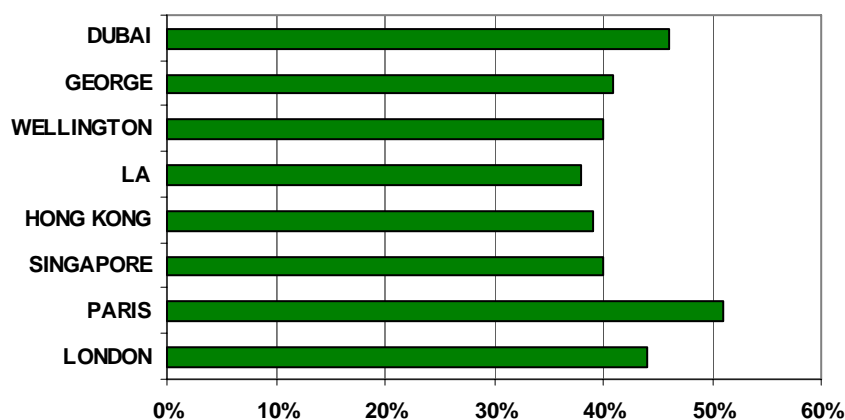
OVERALL ORIGIN OF TRIES SCORED (%)

	2005/06	2004/05
OWN HALF	42%	40%
HW -10m	16%	16%
10m – 22m	22%	24%
22m – TRY LINE	20%	20%
	100%	100%



As shown above, 42% of all tries were scored from possession obtained within the scoring team's **own half**. This, again, was a consistent pattern throughout the series as shown:

PERCENTAGE OF TRIES ORIGINATING IN TRY SCORING TEAM'S OWN HALF PER TOURNAMENT



Not all teams corresponded to this profile however. While **Argentina** for example, scored 52% of their tries from inside their own half, **Samoa** scored 35%.

The complete breakdown between all participating teams is shown below. Percentages have been applied to the teams that played in all 8 legs since the number of tries scored made percentages meaningful. Actual figures have been used for the remaining 26 teams.

It is interesting to note that if all tries scored by the 26 teams are added together, a similar percentage started from within the scoring team's own half – in other words – and in overall terms – very little difference from the other teams.

ORIGIN OF TRIES SCORED PER TEAM (%)

	Legs	Own Half	HW – 10m	10m – 22m	22m – Try line	Total Tries scored
ARG	8	52%	12%	16%	20%	126
RSA	8	49%	17%	19%	15%	173
KEN	8	47%	11%	17%	25%	114
FJI	8	43%	21%	21%	15%	234
NZL	8	43%	12%	25%	20%	186
ENG	8	41%	18%	26%	15%	195
SCO	8	40%	20%	21%	19%	128
CAN	8	39%	15%	24%	22%	123
AUS	8	36%	14%	31%	19%	123
FRA	8	35%	16%	19%	30%	118
SAM	8	35%	24%	20%	21%	173

	Legs	Own Half	HW – 10m	10m – 22m	22m – Try line	Total Tries scored
POR	5	34	9	21	12	76
WAL	3	27	10	23	13	73
TON	2	19	7	11	8	45
ITA	3	17	6	7	6	36
RUS	3	19	3	3	10	35
TUN	4	13	5	7	8	33
USA	3	9	3	8	11	31
KOR	2	17	2	7	4	30
JAP	2	11	2	12	5	30
CHN	2	9	8	0	9	26
COK	1	8	2	5	5	20
HKG	2	7	2	5	6	20
GER	2	8	2	2	6	18
ZIM	1	5	1	2	7	15
TPE	1	6	0	1	5	12
PNG	1	8	0	1	2	11
URU	1	6	0	2	2	10
NIU	1	1	2	3	2	8
SRI	1	3	1	0	4	8
AER	1	2	0	1	2	5
MAD	1	2	0	0	3	5
NAM	1	1	0	1	0	2
SIN	2	1	1	0	0	2
WI	1	0	0	2	0	2
MEX	1	0	0	1	0	1
UGA	1	1	0	0	0	1

The following table shows the converse, which is where on the pitch tries conceded by each team started. This again can vary between teams, with the table below showing that while over a half of the tries conceded by **Samoa** starting in the opposition's half, only one third of the tries conceded by **Kenya** started from that area.

ORIGIN OF TRIES CONCEDED PER TEAM (%)

	Legs	Opp. Half	HW – 10m	10m – 22m	22m – Try line	Total Tries conceded
SAM	8	57%	9%	14%	20%	86
SCO	8	52%	13%	18%	17%	118
AUS	8	50%	9%	18%	23%	101
FJI	8	50%	7%	22%	21%	95
CAN	8	48%	13%	23%	16%	141
NZL	8	48%	17%	13%	22%	83
ENG	8	42%	18%	18%	22%	78
FRA	8	42%	8%	27%	23%	123
RSA	8	42%	16%	18%	24%	90
ARG	8	38%	17%	21%	24%	107
KEN	8	32%	23%	24%	21%	157

	Legs	Own Half	HW – 10m	10m – 22m	22m – Try line	Total Tries conceded
TUN	4	36	18	21	10	85
POR	5	35	10	23	15	83
SIN	2	17	13	19	15	64
GER	2	26	13	9	13	61
USA	3	23	9	17	11	60
ITA	3	28	10	8	13	59
RUS	3	23	10	9	15	57
CHN	2	20	8	11	13	52
MEX	1	7	25	10	6	48
HKG	2	18	9	9	10	46
TON	2	13	4	12	6	35
KOR	2	13	6	7	8	34
WI	1	11	8	7	8	34
NAM	1	10	3	17	2	32
WAL	3	18	1	6	7	32
JAP	2	13	4	5	9	31
TPE	1	13	10	0	8	31
AER	1	11	1	11	7	30
PNG	1	7	7	8	8	30
UGA	1	11	2	12	5	30
SRI	1	10	5	9	3	27
MAD	1	10	4	5	7	26
NIU	1	7	5	5	6	23
URU	1	14	2	4	3	23
COK	1	7	1	6	4	18
ZIM	1	11	1	4	2	18

4 Build-up to tries

Possession of the ball that leads to tries is obtained from a number of sources – and they have been listed above. More often than not, other actions – second phase, kicks and passes – then take place before a try is scored. The paragraphs below explore this further.

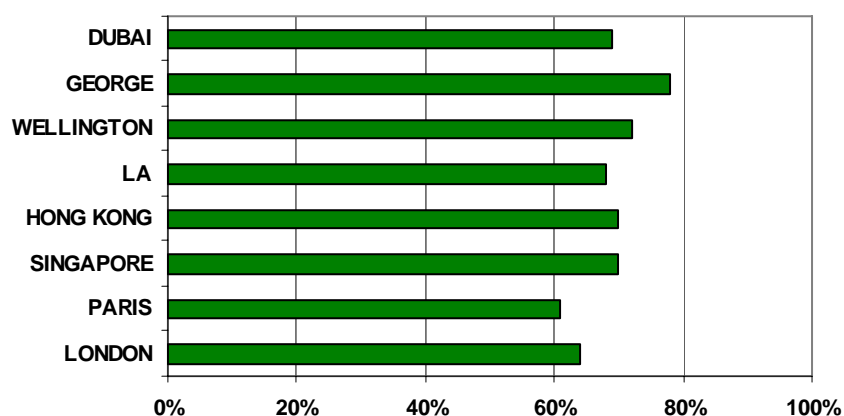
The first table below shows the percentage of tries that did not include a single ruck/maul in the build-up, and the numbers in percentages terms that contained one, two and three plus phases.

OVERALL BUILD UP TO TRIES (PHASES)

	2005/06	2004/05
None	69%	70%
1 rucks/mauls	21%	22%
2 rucks/mauls	7%	5%
3 + rucks/mauls	3%	3%
	100%	100%

The following chart shows that between 60% and 78% of tries did not include a single ruck or maul.

PERCENTAGE OF TRIES WITH NO RUCKS/MAULS PER TOURNAMENT



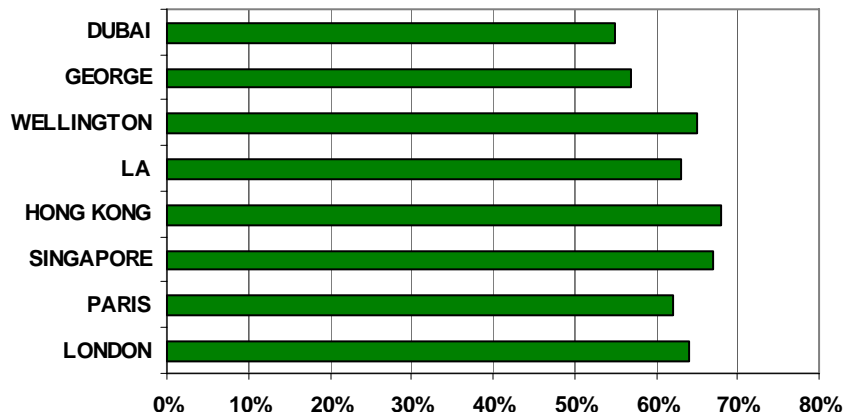
The next table shows the total number of passes that preceded each of the 2248 tries.

OVERALL BUILD UP TO TRIES (PASSES)

	2005/06	2004/05
No passes	12%	12%
1 pass	16%	15%
2 passes	18%	16%
3 passes	17%	16%
	3 > passes = 63%	3 > passes = 59%
4 passes	10%	11%
5 passes	8%	8%
6 passes	6%	6%
7 passes	4%	4%
8 passes	2%	3%
9 + passes	7%	9%
	100%	100%

The table shows that **63%** of tries were preceded by 3 or fewer passes. Again, this was a level that was consistent throughout the series.

PERCENTAGE OF TRIES WITH 3 OR FEWER PASSES PER TOURNAMENT



To illustrate the differences in try build up per team, the table below shows the percentage of tries with no rucks/mauls in the build up and the percentage of tries with 3 or less passes for each team.

	Matches	No Rucks/ Mauls	< 3 Passes		Matches	No Rucks/ Mauls	< 3 Passes
RSA	43	78%	73%	NAM	5	100%	50%
AUS	39	76%	66%	PNG	6	91%	55%
FJI	48	74%	65%	WAL	18	86%	52%
FRA	43	69%	66%	HKG	10	85%	80%
NZL	42	68%	65%	COK	5	85%	60%
ARG	43	65%	65%	GER	11	83%	50%
ENG	45	65%	58%	CHN	12	81%	65%
SAM	43	63%	62%	ITA	16	81%	75%
CAN	44	62%	57%	SRI	5	75%	88%
KEN	46	62%	68%	RUS	15	74%	66%
SCO	42	59%	55%	ZIM	5	73%	53%
				POR	26	71%	58%
				TON	12	71%	60%
				JAP	10	70%	60%
				KOR	10	70%	63%
				URU	5	70%	90%
				TPE	6	67%	42%
				NIU	5	63%	75%
				AER	5	60%	80%
				MAD	4	60%	40%
				TUN	22	55%	48%
				SIN	9	50%	50%
				USA	15	48%	68%
				MEX	5	0%	100%
				UGA	5	0%	0%
				WI	5	0%	50%

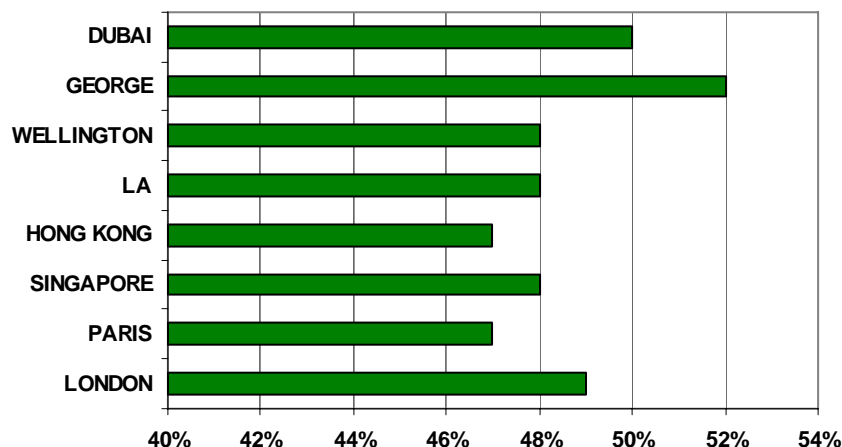
BALL IN PLAY

The average amount of ball-in-play per match was **6 mins 47 secs** or **48%** (2004/05 – 49%)

The highest ball in play time was **9mins 56 secs (71%)** (**Tunisia v Uganda** in Dubai)

The lowest ball in play time was **4 mins 43 secs (34%)** (**Samoa v Mexico** in LA)

AVERAGE BALL-IN-PLAY % PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



The lowest by any team in a game was **Mexico** in LA with only 0min 38 secs and the highest was by **Samoa** in LA with 6min 39secs in a game which they lost v South Africa.

There was a noticeable variation between the average possession times achieved by the various teams:

AVERAGE POSSESSION TIME PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
ENG	45	3m 52 s	4m 00 s	POR	26	3m 45 s	3m 31 s
SCO	42	3m 50 s	3m 22 s	WAL	18	3m 43 s	n/a
SAM	43	3m 47 s	3m 57 s	ZIM	5	3m 37 s	n/a
NZL	42	3m 45 s	3m 35 s	TON	12	3m 36 s	3m 21s
CAN	44	3m 39 s	3m 38 s	USA	15	3m 25 s	3m 13 s
FRA	43	3m 31 s	3m 48 s	AER	5	3m 18 s	3m 11s
AUS	39	3m 26 s	3m 32 s	COK	5	3m 17 s	2m 37 s
FJI	48	3m 24 s	3m 17 s	TUN	22	3m 16 s	3m 19 s
RSA	43	3m 16 s	3m 32 s	JAP	10	3m 13 s	2m 59 s
KEN	46	3m 07 s	3m 09 s	NIU	5	3m 13 s	2m 51 s
ARG	43	3m 06 s	3m 45 s	SIN	9	3m 11 s	3m 03 s
				ITA	16	3m 08 s	2m 56 s
				TPE	6	3m 03 s	2m 29 s
				CHN	12	2m 56 s	2m 50 s
				URU	5	2m 56 s	3m 28 s
				GER	11	2m 53 s	n/a
				RUS	15	2m 53 s	3m 06 s
				KOR	10	2m 44 s	n/a
				HKG	10	2m 37 s	3m 50 s
				SRI	5	2m 36 s	n/a
				PNG	6	2m 34 s	n/a
				NAM	5	2m 33 s	2m 37 s
				MEX	5	2m 30 s	2m 32 s
				UGA	5	2m 25 s	1m 58 s
				WI	5	2m 20 s	2m 41 s
				MAD	4	2m 15 s	n/a

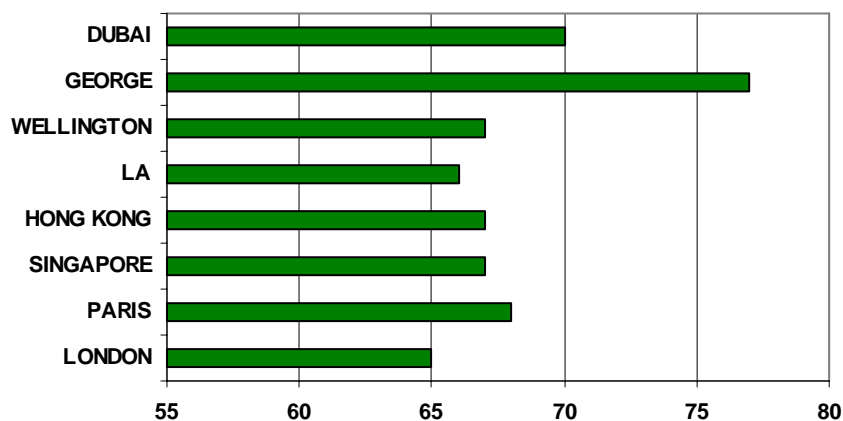
PASSING

The average number of passes per game was **68** (2004/05 – 73)

The most passes in a game was **108** (Japan v France in Singapore).

The fewest passes in a game was **27** (South Africa v Tunisia in George).

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PASSES PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



The number of passes made by the participating teams showed major differences as revealed in the following table:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PASSES PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
SCO	42	44	37	WAL	18	43	n/a
CAN	44	42	39	POR	26	38	37
SAM	43	42	48	COK	5	36	29
ENG	45	40	43	GER	11	36	n/a
NZL	42	36	37	JAP	10	36	34
AUS	39	35	38	NIU	5	36	31
FJI	48	33	34	TON	12	36	30
FRA	43	32	38	USA	15	36	38
ARG	43	31	36	AER	5	34	38
KEN	46	31	32	ZIM	5	34	n/a
RSA	43	28	36	KOR	10	32	n/a
				TPE	6	33	21
				TUN	22	33	38
				CHN	12	32	27
				SIN	9	32	25
				RUS	15	30	39
				SRI	5	29	n/a
				NAM	5	28	21
				HKG	10	27	47
				MAD	4	27	n/a
				ITA	16	26	18
				URU	5	26	40
				PNG	6	25	n/a
				UGA	5	21	17
				MEX	5	20	26
				WI	5	20	36

The above table shows major differences between the various teams. **Scotland, Canada** and **Samoa** made around 30% more passes than **South Africa**, for example. Such differences are however partly explained by the amount of possession obtained by each team. If this is taken into account, the rate at which each country passed the ball is far closer as shown in the next table. This expresses passes as 'passes per minute possession'

RATE OF PASSING PER TEAM
(PASSES PER MINUTE POSSESSION)

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
SCO	42	11.5	11.0	GER	11	12.3	n/a
CAN	44	11.4	10.6	MAD	4	12.0	n/a
SAM	43	10.8	12.1	KOR	10	11.8	n/a
AUS	39	10.2	10.8	WAL	18	11.5	n/a
ENG	45	10.0	10.7	NIU	5	11.3	10.9
KEN	46	10.0	10.0	SRI	5	11.2	n/a
ARG	43	9.7	9.6	JAP	10	11.1	11.4
NZL	42	9.5	10.4	CHN	12	11.0	9.4
FRA	43	9.2	9.9	TPE	6	11.0	8.5
FJI	48	9.0	10.3	COK	5	10.9	11.0
RSA	43	8.3	10.1	NAM	5	10.8	8.1
				USA	15	10.4	11.7
				HKG	10	10.2	6.0
				RUS	15	10.2	12.6
				POR	26	10.1	10.4
				TON	12	10.0	9.0
				SIN	9	9.9	8.1
				AER	5	9.8	12.1
				PNG	6	9.7	n/a
				TUN	22	9.6	11.5
				ZIM	5	9.3	n/a
				URU	5	8.9	11.5
				UGA	5	8.8	8.6
				WI	5	8.8	9.6
				ITA	16	8.2	6.1
				MEX	5	8.0	10.3

As shown above, there were on average, **68** passes per game. These passes came in passing sequences of which there were just over 1000 per tournament.

Of these passing sequences:

- 26%** comprised 1 pass (2004/05 – 24%)
- 25%** comprised 2 passes (2004/05 – 24%)
- 22%** comprised 3 passes (2004/05 – 21%)
- 13%** comprised 4 passes (2004/05 – 14%)
- 14%** comprised 5+ passes (2004/05 – 17%)

Most teams fell into this profile – ie around 50% of their passing movements contained 2 or fewer passes

Where major differences arose, these were seen in the more lengthy passing movements as noted above. Certain teams were far more inclined to continue passing than others. This is shown in the following table, which notes the number of 5+, passes movements made by each country.

PROPORTION OF 5+ PASSING SEQUENCES TO TOTAL NUMBER OF PASSING MOVEMENTS PER TEAM

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
AUS	39	1 in 5	1 in 4	GER	11	1 in 4	n/a
SCO	42	1 in 5	1 in 5	JAP	10	1 in 4	1 in 5
FJI	48	1 in 6	1 in 5	KOR	10	1 in 4	n/a
CAN	44	1 in 7	1 in 9	COK	5	1 in 5	1 in 4
FRA	43	1 in 7	1 in 6	TON	12	1 in 5	1 in 7
KEN	46	1 in 7	1 in 7	WAL	18	1 in 5	n/a
ARG	43	1 in 8	1 in 10	PNG	6	1 in 6	n/a
ENG	45	1 in 8	1 in 7	RUS	15	1 in 6	1 in 7
NZL	42	1 in 8	1 in 6	SRI	5	1 in 6	n/a
RSA	43	1 in 8	1 in 4	TPE	6	1 in 6	1 in 12
SAM	43	1 in 9	1 in 4	NIU	5	1 in 7	1 in 4
				MAD	4	1 in 7	n/a
				USA	15	1 in 7	1 in 4
				UGA	5	1 in 8	1 in 40
				CHN	12	1 in 9	1 in 7
				SIN	9	1 in 10	1 in 9
				TUN	22	1 in 11	1 in 6
				HKG	10	1 in 12	1 in 4
				NAM	5	1 in 12	1 in 10
				ITA	16	1 in 13	1 in 8
				POR	26	1 in 13	1 in 8
				ZIM	5	1 in 13	n/a
				AER	5	1 in 14	1 in 7
				URU	5	1 in 17	1 in 3
				WI	5	1 in 17	1 in 11
				MEX	5	1 in 24	1 in 10

During the course of the analysis an attempt was made to divide passes into 3 categories:

- A **normal** - an orthodox pass from one player to another
- B **off ground** - a successful pass by a player who has been brought to ground
- C **pressure** - those passes made by a player under pressure. This would include an offload, any pass where an opponent made contact or was close enough to make the player pass the ball. It has to be said that this is a somewhat imprecise science and therefore the figures should be treated with a considerable degree of caution. At best they should only be regarded as possibly indicative.

Of all the passes made in the tournament,

62% were regarded as normal (2004/05 – 64%)
7% were off ground (2004/05 – 5%)
31% were pressure passes. (2004/05 – 31%)

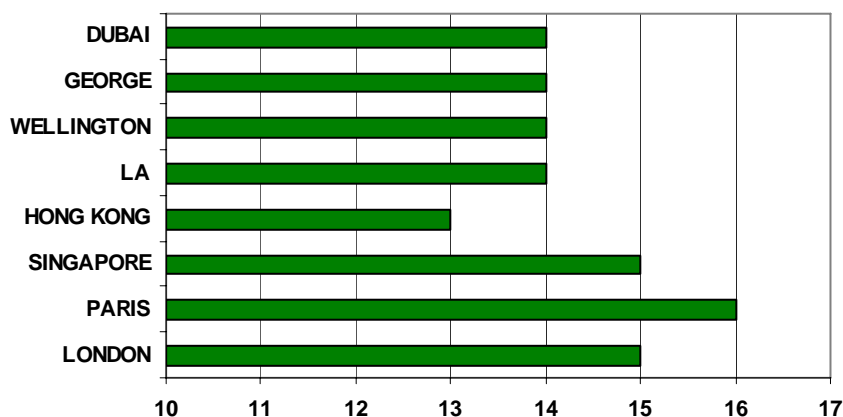
RUCKS/MAULS

The average number of ruck/mauls (2nd phases) per game was **14** (2004/05 – 13).

The most rucks/mauls in a game was **31** (**South Africa v Samoa** in LA)

The fewest rucks/mauls in a game was **3** (**Fiji v Namibia** in George)

AVERAGE NUMBER OF RUCKS/MAULS PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



What was noticeable was how few rucks/mauls were created by certain teams compared with others. A comparison of past IRB Sevens tournament winners illustrates the extent of the differences:

Fiji	253 in 48 games – average 5 per game
South Africa	223 in 43 games – average 5 per game
Argentina	266 in 43 games – average 6 per game
France	292 in 43 games – average 7 per game
New Zealand	352 in 42 games – average 8 per game
England	427 in 45 games – average 10 per game

The average number of rucks/mauls created by each participating team per game is showed below:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF RUCKS/MAULS PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	5	3	KOR	10	3	n/a
RSA	43	5	5	MAD	4	3	n/a
ARG	43	6	9	PNG	6	4	n/a
KEN	46	6	6	SRI	5	4	n/a
AUS	39	7	6	RUS	15	5	5
FRA	43	7	7	TPE	6	5	3
NZL	42	8	6	CHN	12	6	5
SCO	42	8	6	COK	5	6	3
SAM	43	9	7	GER	11	6	n/a
CAN	44	10	11	HKG	10	6	9
ENG	45	10	9	JAP	10	6	4
				UGA	5	6	3
				WAL	18	6	n/a
				ITA	16	7	7
				NAM	5	7	6
				TON	12	7	6
				URU	5	7	10
				WI	5	7	6
				POR	26	8	7
				NIU	5	9	3
				MEX	5	9	8
				TUN	22	9	7
				ZIM	5	9	n/a
				USA	15	10	8
				AER	5	11	10
				SIN	9	11	12

The above table shows major differences between the various teams. Again, some of the differences can be explained by the amount of possession obtained by each team. If this is taken into account, the rate at which each country rucked and mauled is far closer, as shown in the next table.

This expresses rucks/mauls as 'rucks/mauls per minute possession ':

RATE OF RUCKS/MAULS PER TEAM
(RUCKS & MAULS PER MINUTE POSSESSION)

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	1.5	0.9	KOR	10	1.1	n/a
RSA	43	1.6	1.5	MAD	4	1.3	n/a
FRA	43	1.9	1.9	PNG	6	1.4	n/a
ARG	43	2.0	2.3	SRI	5	1.5	n/a
AUS	39	2.0	1.7	TPE	6	1.6	1.1
KEN	46	2.0	2.0	RUS	15	1.7	1.6
SCO	42	2.0	1.8	WAL	18	1.7	n/a
NZL	42	2.2	1.8	COK	5	1.8	1.2
ENG	45	2.4	2.3	CHN	12	1.9	1.6
SAM	43	2.4	1.8	GER	11	1.9	n/a
CAN	44	2.8	3.0	JAP	10	1.9	1.5
				TON	12	1.9	1.8
				ITA	16	2.1	2.3
				POR	26	2.1	1.9
				HKG	10	2.3	1.1
				UGA	5	2.5	1.4
				URU	5	2.5	3.0
				ZIM	5	2.5	n/a
				NAM	5	2.7	2.3
				TUN	22	2.7	2.1
				USA	15	2.8	2.5
				WI	5	2.8	2.4
				NIU	5	2.9	1.2
				AER	5	3.0	3.1
				MEX	5	3.5	3.1
				SIN	9	3.6	3.9

The striking point to note on this table is that **Fiji** rucked at a rate that was less than any other competing team. **New Zealand's** rate was 50% more and **Canada's** was almost double.

Just as in 15-a-side, retention of the ball at the breakdown is regarded as critical – and the following table shows the success of each team in the series. It should be noted that possession is lost, when a team is turned over, concedes a scrum or is penalised.

The percentage success rate at the breakdown of each team on their own possession was as follows:

BREAKDOWN RETENTION SUCCESS (%)

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
CAN	44	84%	80%	MEX	5	91%	79%
ENG	45	84%	82%	ZIM	5	91%	n/a
SAM	43	82%	76%	JAP	10	89%	65%
SCO	42	80%	75%	USA	15	88%	57%
FRA	43	78%	76%	MAD	4	87%	n/a
NZL	42	78%	82%	SIN	9	86%	86%
AUS	39	77%	77%	GER	11	85%	n/a
ARG	43	75%	83%	TUN	22	84%	72%
KEN	46	72%	71%	NAM	5	83%	77%
FJI	48	71%	66%	NIU	5	83%	65%
RSA	43	70%	72%	POR	26	82%	74%
				AER	5	81%	73%
				CHN	12	80%	48%
				KOR	10	80%	n/a
				WAL	18	80%	n/a
				HKG	10	79%	65%
				ITA	16	79%	78%
				TPE	6	77%	76%
				RUS	15	77%	70%
				WI	5	76%	75%
				COK	5	73%	56%
				PNG	6	73%	n/a
				TON	12	72%	80%
				UGA	5	70%	86%
				URU	5	68%	67%
				SRI	5	63%	n/a

With regard to penalties awarded at the breakdown, the team in possession were awarded slightly more than their opponents – 54% of the penalties were for attacking team and 46% were against the attacking team.

At the breakdown, **Fiji** was again among the least successful teams in percentage terms. They did however create only 5 ruck/mauls per game compared to **England's** 10 and **Canada's** 10.

KICKS

The average number of open play kicks per game was **4**, indicating that kicks comprise a relatively small role in sevens.

The most general play kicks in a match was **14 (Tunisia v Kenya** in Dubai)
The least general play kicks in a match was **0 (16 matches)**

TACKLES

Tackles have been divided into 3 categories:

- Single** this is where one player brings an opponent to the ground
- Team** this is where more than one player makes the tackle
- Offload** this is where a tackled player manages to offload the ball to another member of his team

Of all the tackles made:

OVERALL TACKLE TYPE (%)

	2005/06	2004/05
Single Tackle	25%	29%
Team Tackle	13%	13%
Offload Tackle	62%	58%
	100%	100%

There were some 39 tackles per game or 19.5 per team. Around this figure however there were major variations. Such differences between the teams are illustrated in the following table, which gives the average number of tackles per team per game:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF TACKLES PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06		Matches	2005/06
FJI	48	22	URU	5	35
KEN	46	22	MAD	4	29
RSA	43	22	SRI	5	25
ARG	43	21	HKG	10	23
CAN	44	21	JAP	10	22
AUS	39	20	WI	5	22
FRA	43	20	NAM	5	21
NZL	42	19	PNG	6	21
SAM	43	18	CHN	12	20
SCO	42	17	KOR	10	20
ENG	45	15	POR	26	20
			TPE	6	20
			COK	5	19
			TON	12	19
			UGA	5	19
			ITA	16	18
			NIU	5	18
			RUS	15	18
			GER	11	17
			TUN	22	17
			WAL	18	17
			SIN	9	16
			MEX	5	15
			AER	5	13
			ZIM	5	13
			USA	15	11

It can be seen that **Fiji** made more tackles than any other team, making almost 50% more than **England**. In addition to clear differences in the overall number of tackles made by each team, there were also differences in the sorts of tackles that were made.

TACKLE TYPE PER TEAM (%)

	Offload	Single	Team		Offload	Single	Team
CAN	68%	20%	12%	URU	84%	10%	6%
SCO	64%	21%	15%	SIN	81%	13%	6%
AUS	63%	25%	12%	NAM	79%	16%	5%
KEN	62%	24%	14%	MAD	77%	13%	10%
FJI	61%	28%	11%	TPE	77%	13%	10%
ARG	60%	29%	11%	WI	77%	17%	6%
FRA	60%	27%	13%	SRI	76%	18%	6%
ENG	59%	27%	14%	MEX	74%	14%	12%
NZL	59%	26%	15%	HKG	73%	14%	13%
SAM	59%	28%	13%	NIU	73%	16%	11%
RSA	57%	28%	15%	AER	70%	19%	11%
				CHN	68%	23%	9%
				COK	67%	17%	16%
				UGA	66%	22%	12%
				KOR	65%	20%	15%
				PNG	65%	24%	11%
				ZIM	65%	15%	20%
				GER	64%	20%	16%
				JAP	63%	27%	10%
				POR	63%	26%	11%
				TON	62%	28%	10%
				RUS	60%	28%	12%
				WAL	60%	30%	10%
				ITA	58%	27%	15%
				TUN	56%	24%	20%
				USA	53%	34%	13%

BREAKDOWN

There are well over 500 breakdowns in a tournament - and a breakdown occurs when at least one player from each side is on his feet at or over the ball. When the tackler is on his feet and an opponent joins in, there is a breakdown. When the tackler is not on his feet, a breakdown occurs when at least one player from each side joins in.

What became immediately noticeable was that there were clear differences in the approach of the various countries in committing players to the breakdown in attack and defence. While certain teams frequently committed few additional players, other countries consistently committed more. The extent of the differences between each team is illustrated by an exercise that looked at how many players were committed to the breakdown (1) in attack and (2) in defence.

1. ATTACKING BREAKDOWNS

In attack, **England** and **France** sent in more than one player on many more occasions than **New Zealand** and **Fiji**. The differences regarding the number of players committed at attacking breakdowns is illustrated in the table below:

NUMBER OF PLAYERS COMMITTED TO BREAKDOWN - ATTACK

	Matches	1 player	2+ player		Matches	1 player	2+ player
NZL	42	84%	16%	TON	12	78%	22%
FJI	48	82%	18%	WAL	18	78%	22%
ARG	43	80%	20%	PNG	6	77%	23%
SAM	43	80%	20%	AER	5	75%	25%
KEN	46	72%	28%	JAP	10	74%	26%
CAN	44	68%	32%	SIN	9	73%	27%
SCO	42	66%	34%	USA	15	73%	27%
RSA	43	62%	38%	POR	26	71%	29%
AUS	39	56%	44%	NIU	5	70%	30%
ENG	45	55%	45%	GER	11	67%	33%
FRA	43	40%	60%	CHN	12	65%	35%
				KOR	10	60%	40%
				MAD	4	58%	42%
				SRI	5	58%	42%
				COK	5	57%	43%
				ITA	16	57%	43%
				RUS	15	57%	43%
				TPE	6	57%	43%
				UGA	5	57%	43%
				URU	5	51%	49%
				ZIM	5	47%	53%
				HKG	10	46%	54%
				MEX	5	45%	55%
				WI	5	45%	55%
				TUN	22	44%	56%
				NAM	5	43%	57%

2. DEFENDING BREAKDOWNS

There were also noticeable differences regarding the number of players committed at defensive breakdowns.

Again, certain countries showed differing approaches with **Fiji** and **South Africa** contrasting sharply with **England**, **Scotland** and **Canada**.

NUMBER OF PLAYERS COMMITTED TO BREAKDOWN - DEFENCE

	Matches	None	1 player	2+ player		Matches	None	1 player	2+ player
RSA	43	30%	54%	16%	JAP	10	35%	54%	11%
FJI	48	29%	55%	16%	RUS	15	32%	57%	11%
NZL	42	24%	61%	15%	KOR	10	29%	54%	17%
ARG	43	23%	56%	21%	SRI	5	27%	57%	16%
FRA	43	22%	55%	23%	TON	12	27%	50%	23%
KEN	46	21%	53%	26%	USA	15	25%	64%	11%
SAM	43	20%	55%	25%	WI	5	23%	46%	31%
AUS	39	18%	60%	22%	CHN	12	22%	64%	14%
CAN	44	16%	60%	24%	URU	5	22%	55%	23%
SCO	42	16%	59%	25%	ZIM	5	22%	48%	30%
ENG	45	13%	54%	33%	PNG	6	21%	58%	21%
					TPE	6	21%	61%	18%
					WAL	18	21%	71%	8%
					AER	5	20%	60%	20%
					MEX	5	20%	60%	20%
					HKG	10	19%	55%	26%
					MAD	4	19%	65%	16%
					UGA	5	19%	63%	18%
					POR	26	18%	86%	16%
					SIN	9	18%	64%	18%
					GER	11	14%	62%	24%
					ITA	16	14%	70%	16%
					NAM	5	14%	45%	41%
					NIU	5	13%	46%	41%
					COK	5	10%	61%	29%
					TUN	22	8%	48%	44%

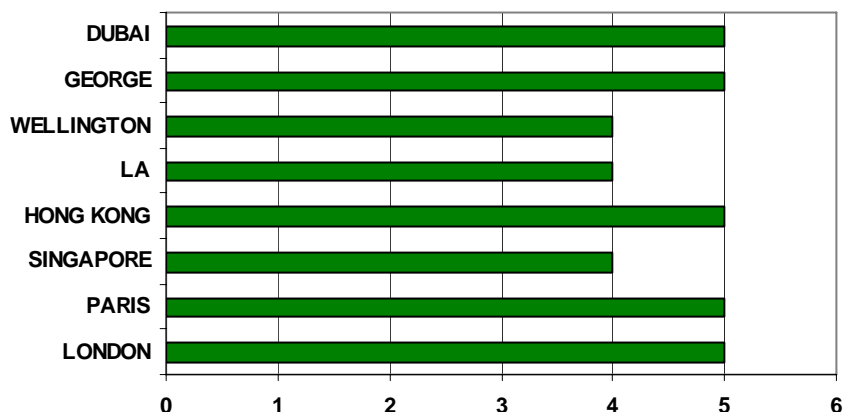
SCRUMS

The average number of scrums per game was **4.6** (2004/05 - 4.5)

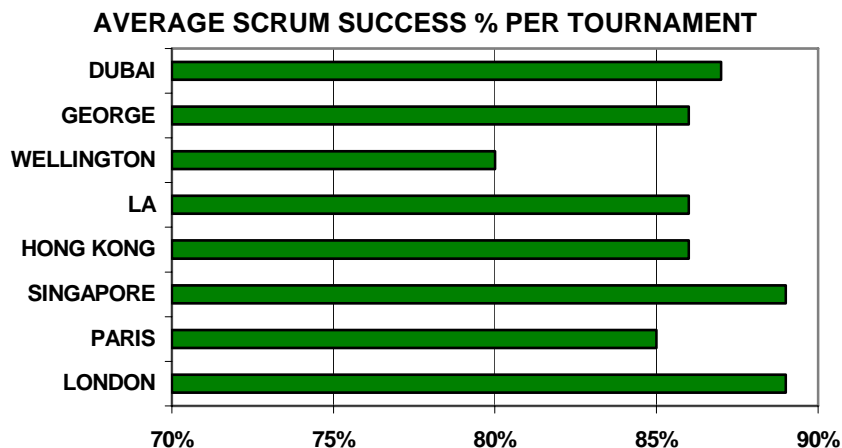
The most in any game was **11** scrums (**Italy v Chinese** in Hong Kong)
 The fewest in any game was **0** scrums (**4 matches**)

This average was consistent throughout the series.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF SCRUMS PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



Possession retained by the team putting in the ball was **86%** (2004/05 - 89%) - this was a consistent figure throughout the series.



note:

- There were **69** penalties against the putting in team (2004/05 - 25). **64%** of penalties were awarded to attacking team and **36%** were awarded to the defending team.
- There were **23** free kicks for a crooked feeds in around **1700** scrums (2004/05 - 4)
- **1 in 7** scrums went against the head (2004/05 – 1 in 10 scrums)

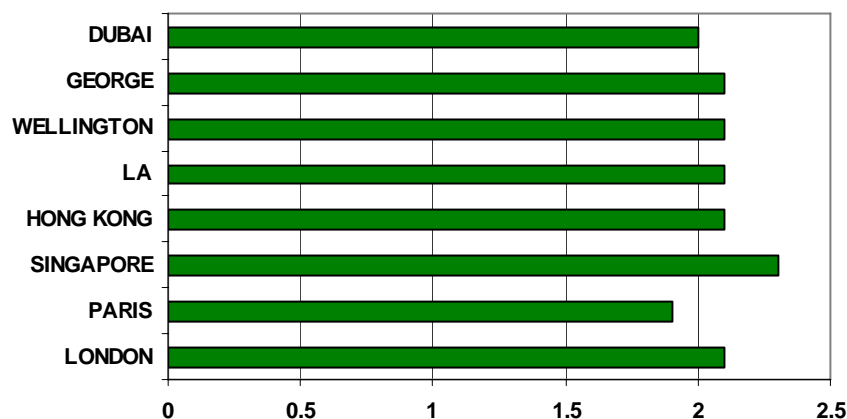
LINEOUT

The average number of lineouts per game was **2.1** (2004/05 - 2.0)

The most in any game was **9** lineouts (**South Africa v Argentina** in Wellington)

The fewest in any game was **0** lineouts (**a number of matches**)

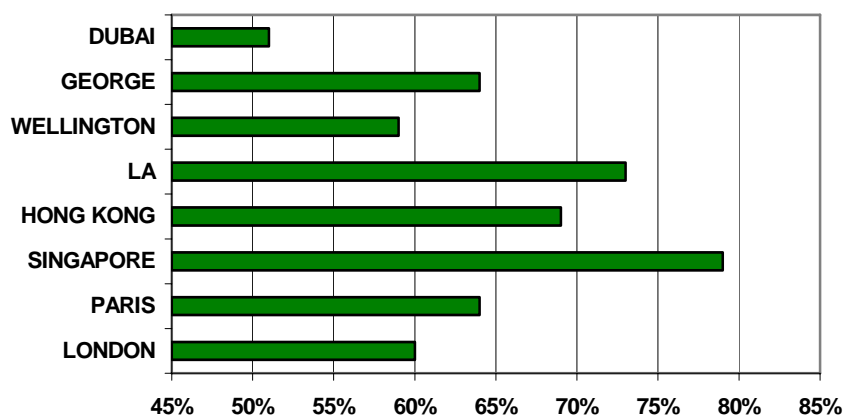
AVERAGE NUMBER OF LINEOUTS PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT



Percentage of lineouts contested **65%** (2004/05 - 58%).

This percentage varied throughout the series.

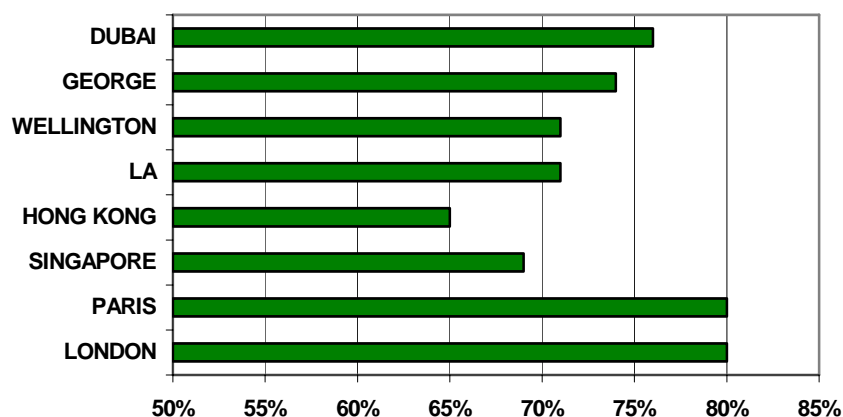
PERCENTAGE OF LINEOUTS CONTESTED PER TOURNAMENT



Possession retained by the team throwing in the ball **72%** (2004/05 - 76%)

This also showed noticeable variations from tournament to tournament.

AVERAGE LINEOUT SUCCESS % PER TOURNAMENT



RESTARTS

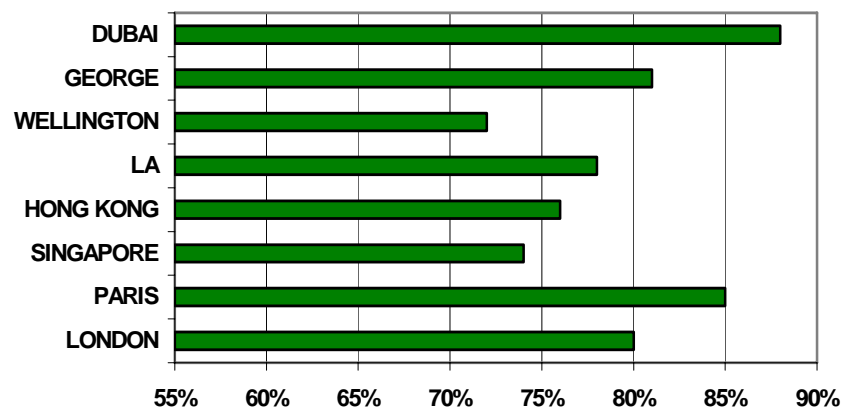
Restarts were classified into 2 types, long and short or contestable.

20% of restarts were kicked long (2004/05 - 28%)

80% of restarts were kicked short/contestable (2004/05 - 72%)

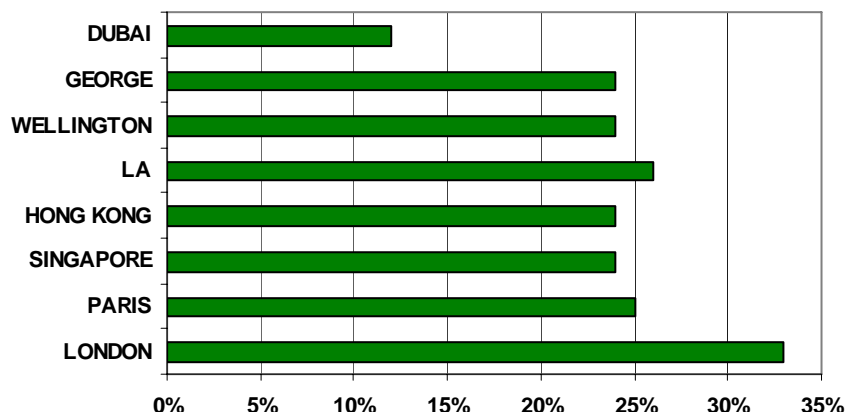
The table below shows the percentage of restarts kicked short per tournament.

PERCENTAGE OF SHORT RESTARTS PER TOURNAMENT



Of all restarts, the kicking team won **25%** or 1 in 4, a figure consistent throughout the series.

AVERAGE RESTART SUCCESS % PER TOURNAMENT



Lack of success at the restart however is not always the result of an unsuccessful challenge. Certain teams intentionally kick long and other intentionally short. It was noted that **Samoa** and **England** were particularly effective at regaining possession after their own restarts. Retention rates varied however with some teams retaining their own restarts noticeably more successfully than others as shown in the following table:

RESTART RETENTION RATES PER TEAM

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
SAM	43	1 in 2.4	1 in 3.5	WAL	18	1 in 2.8	n/a
ENG	45	1 in 2.7	1 in 2.9	ZIM	5	1 in 3.8	n/a
SCO	42	1 in 3.0	1 in 3.4	TUN	22	1 in 4.4	1 in 3.0
FJI	48	1 in 3.2	1 in 4.4	AER	5	1 in 4.5	1 in 14.0
CAN	44	1 in 3.8	1 in 4.6	TON	12	1 in 4.7	1 in 6.3
AUS	39	1 in 4.0	1 in 3.7	NAM	5	1 in 5.0	1 in 7.0
RSA	43	1 in 4.3	1 in 3.0	POR	26	1 in 5.2	1 in 3.8
NZL	42	1 in 4.5	1 in 5.4	KOR	10	1 in 5.3	n/a
FRA	43	1 in 4.6	1 in 3.2	TPE	6	1 in 5.3	1 in 4.3
ARG	43	1 in 5.8	1 in 2.4	NIU	5	1 in 5.5	1 in 21.0
KEN	46	1 in 7.4	1 in 9.5	SIN	9	1 in 6.0	1 in 5.0
				CHN	12	1 in 6.6	1 in 7.5
				ITA	16	1 in 6.6	1 in 5.0
				JAP	10	1 in 9	1 in 3.8
				RUS	15	1 in 11.3	1 in 10.5
				USA	15	1 in 13.7	1 in 11.0
				PNG	6	1 in 15	n/a
				COK	5	1 in 19	1 in 11.0
				GER	11	1 in 22	n/a
				MEX	5	0 in 6	0 of 7
				UGA	5	0 in 6	1 in 11.0
				WI	5	0 in 7	1 in 11.0
				MAD	4	0 in 8	n/a
				SRI	5	0 in 13	n/a
				URU	5	0 in 13	1 in 4.7
				HKG	10	0 in 25	1 in 3.0

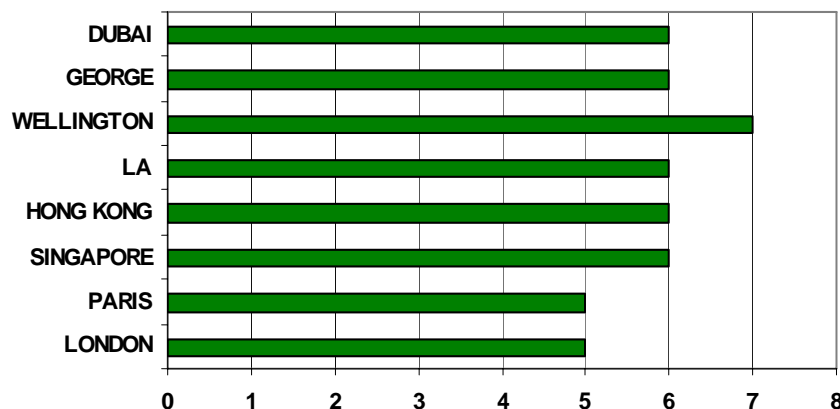
PENALTIES

The average number of penalties per game was **5.8** (2004/05 – 5.4)

The most in a game was **12** penalties (**Fiji v France** in Wellington)
(**Scotland v Wales** in Dubai)

The fewest in a game was **0** penalties (**England v PNG** in Wellington)
(**New Zealand v Scotland** in London)
(**Portugal v Russia – Bowl Final** in London)

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PENALTIES PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT

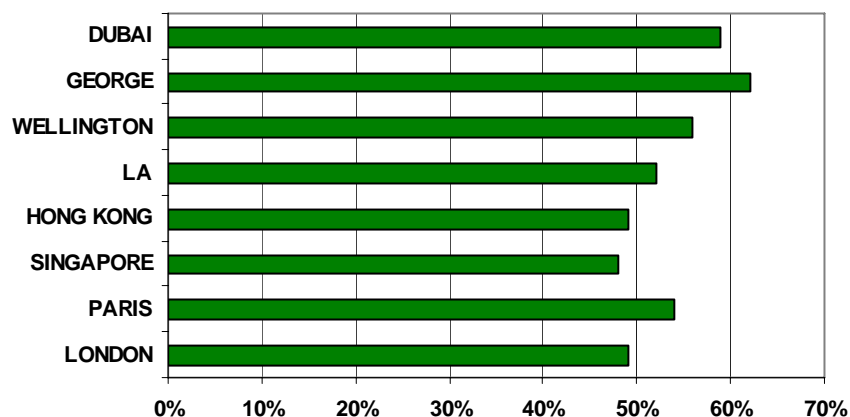


Of the penalties and free kicks awarded.

52% were at breakdown	(2004/05 – 58%)
12% were for offside	(2004/05 – 7%)
8% were restart errors	(2004/05 – 9%)
6% were for illegal tackle	(2004/05 – 7%)
9% were at the scrum	(2004/05 – 9%)
4% were for not retreating 10m	(2004/05 – 3%)
5% were for obstruction	(2004/05 – 5%)
1% were at the lineout/maul collapse/foul play	(2004/05 - 2%)
3% miscellaneous	
100%	

As shown above, most penalties were awarded at the breakdown – and as shown below, throughout the series, penalties at the breakdown ranged between 48% and 62%

PERCENTAGE OF BREAKDOWN PENALTIES PER TOURNAMENT



There was considerable variation between the number of penalties awarded to each team and conceded by each team. **Fiji**, for example, conceded almost 50% more penalties than **Scotland**. Again, **Wales** conceded on average 3 times more penalties than Namibia.

The average number of penalties **conceded** by each team is shown in the following table:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PENALTIES CONCEDED PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
FJI	48	4.0	3.1	NAM	5	1.2	1.6
ARG	43	3.3	2.4	GER	11	1.6	n/a
FRA	43	3.3	3.3	TPE	6	1.7	4.3
KEN	46	3.2	2.8	MEX	5	2.0	2.3
NZL	42	3.2	2.7	USA	15	2.1	3.8
SAM	43	3.2	3	SRI	5	2.2	n/a
RSA	43	3.1	2.1	JAP	10	2.4	1.5
ENG	45	2.9	2.6	WI	5	2.4	1
CAN	44	2.8	3.2	RUS	15	2.5	2.7
AUS	39	2.6	2.1	AER	5	2.6	2.3
SCO	42	2.1	2.7	POR	26	2.6	2.1
				ZIM	5	2.6	n/a
				KOR	10	2.7	n/a
				TON	12	2.7	3
				HKG	10	2.8	2.8
				PNG	6	2.8	n/a
				TUN	22	2.8	3.2
				ITA	16	2.9	3.3
				CHN	12	3.0	3.4
				URU	5	3.0	3.8
				COK	5	3.2	2.2
				SIN	9	3.2	2.8
				MAD	4	3.3	n/a
				UGA	5	3.6	1.8
				NIU	5	3.8	3.3
				WAL	18	3.8	n/a

There was also a noticeable difference in the number of penalties awarded to the various teams with certain sides receiving between 50% - 100% more than others. **Canada**, for example, on average were awarded almost 50% more penalties than **Fiji**, and **USA** awarded on average 3 times more penalties than **Madagascar**.

The average number of penalties **awarded** to each team is shown in the following table:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PENALTIES AWARDED PER TEAM PER GAME

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
CAN	44	3.6	3.1	USA	15	4.1	2.8
ENG	45	3.4	2.7	ZIM	5	4.0	n/a
FRA	43	3.4	2.4	MEX	5	3.8	2.8
SCO	42	3.3	3	SIN	9	3.6	3
NZL	42	3.1	2.7	NIU	5	3.4	2.7
AUS	39	3.0	3	TUN	22	3.0	2
KEN	46	2.9	3.2	WAL	18	3.0	n/a
ARG	43	2.8	2.9	AER	5	2.8	2.5
RSA	43	2.7	2.5	COK	5	2.8	3.4
SAM	43	2.7	2.3	HKG	10	2.8	3.8
FJI	48	2.4	2.1	POR	26	2.8	3.4
				TPE	6	2.8	3.2
				JAP	10	2.7	2.3
				CHN	12	2.6	2.8
				NAM	5	2.6	2.8
				SRI	5	2.6	n/a
				TON	12	2.6	1.9
				UGA	5	2.6	1.8
				URU	5	2.6	2.6
				WI	5	2.6	3
				ITA	16	2.4	2.7
				RUS	15	2.4	2.5
				PNG	6	2.2	n/a
				GER	11	2.1	n/a
				KOR	10	1.5	n/a
				MAD	4	1.3	n/a

REFEREES

Twenty two referees officiated in the 8 tournaments.

P. Allan (SCO), B. Bowden (AUS), J. Leckie (AUS), B. Collier (HKG), S. Scott (AER), C. Rooney (NZL), J-L. Rebollal (FRA), C. du Preez (RSA), G. Bullen (USA), D. Richards (ENG), R. Debney (ENG), J. Jones (WAL), I. Heard (SCO), M. Pilara (ARG), P. Smith (CAN), K. Rowe (NZL), J. Noonan (NZL), S. McDowell (IRE), W. Roos (RSA), W. Barnes (ENG), M. Yussof (SIN), S. Pomarede (FRA).

The average number of penalties and free kicks awarded was 5.8 per game. There were however noticeable differences between many of the referees and these are shown in the following table:

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PENALTIES AWARDED PER GAME PER REFEREE

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05
ALLAN	11	8.5	n/a
BOWDEN	14	8.2	5.9
LECKIE	26	8	n/a
COLLIER	5	7.2	n/a
SCOTT	5	7	4.3
ROONEY	26	6.5	6.0
REBOLLAL	22	6.3	5.1
DU PREEZ	42	6	4.8
BULLEN	12	5.9	5.4
RICHARDS	7	5.7	n/a
DEBNEY	41	5.6	5.3
JONES	25	5.6	4.3
HEARD	12	5.3	n/a
PILARA	24	5.2	n/a
SMITH	12	5	n/a
ROWE	38	4.9	5.1
NOONAN	6	4.8	n/a
MCDOWELL	14	4.5	n/a
ROOS	7	4.4	n/a
BARNES	6	3.8	6.1
YUSSOF	5	3.6	6.0
POMAREDE	5	3.2	n/a

Of all penalties and free kicks awarded, 68% went in favour of the team in possession of the ball. The range varied between the 22 referees however from 48% to 81%.

TEMPORARY SUSPENSIONS (Red/Yellow cards)

There was 1 red card for a dangerous tackle (2 – 2004/05)

There were 99 yellow cards issued in the 8 legs – ranging from 2 to 24 yellow cards.
(2004/05 – 287 cards ranging from 33 to 54)

NUMBER OF YELLOW CARDS AWARDED PER TOURNAMENT

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05	Reduction
DUBAI	44	16	37	- 21
GEORGE	44	10	41	- 31
WELLINGTON	44	13	48	- 35
LOS ANGELES	44	15	36	- 21
HONG KONG	57	24	n/a	n/a
SINGAPORE	44	12	33	- 21
PARIS	44	2	38	- 36
LONDON	44	7	54	- 47
TOTAL	365	99	287	- 188

RATE OF YELLOW CARDS PER GAME PER TOURNAMENT

	2005/06 Rate	2004/05 Rate
DUBAI	1 in 2.8	1 in 1.2
GEORGE	1 in 4.4	1 in 1.1
WELLINGTON	1 in 3.9	1 in 0.9
LOS ANGELES	1 in 2.9	1 in 1.2
HONG KONG	1 in 2.4	n/a
SINGAPORE	1 in 3.7	1 in 1.3
PARIS	1 in 22	1 in 1.2
LONDON	1 in 6.3	1 in 0.8
TOTAL	1 in 3.7	1 in 1.1

The offences for which they were awarded were as follows:

Illegal Tackle	43	= 43%
Ruck offences	19	
Throwing ball away	18	
Foul Play	7	
Obstruction	6	
Not 10m	5	
Offside	1	
		Total = 99 cards

It can be seen that 43% of all yellow cards awarded were for illegal tackles (2004/05 – 46%).

The number of yellow cards per team is shown below:

NUMBER OF YELLOW CARDS PER TEAM

	Matches	2005/06	2004/05		Matches	2005/06	2004/05
SCO	42	0	13	AER	5	0	3
ENG	45	2	12	COK	5	0	3
AUS	39	3	15	KOR	10	0	n/a
ARG	43	4	9	NAM	5	0	1
CAN	44	4	17	MEX	5	0	4
FRA	43	6	28	SRI	5	0	n/a
KEN	46	6	19	TPE	6	0	3
NZL	42	7	17	URU	5	0	3
RSA	43	7	16	ZIM	5	0	n/a
SAM	43	11	24	GER	11	1	n/a
FJI	48	12	18	ITA	16	1	7
				MAD	4	1	n/a
				UGA	5	1	1
				WI	5	1	1
				HKG	10	2	2
				NIU	5	2	4
				POR	26	2	7
				PNG	6	2	n/a
				RUS	15	2	12
				SIN	9	2	4
				TUN	22	2	12
				CHN	12	3	2
				JAP	10	3	3
				TON	12	3	10
				USA	15	3	4
				WAL	18	6	n/a

The rate per game and total number of yellow/red cards awarded per referee is shown below:

NUMBER OF RED/YELLOW CARDS PER REFEREE

	Matches	Yellow Cards	Red Cards	Rate
ALLAN	11	8		1 in 1.4 games
NOONAN	6	3		1 in 2.0
LECKIE	26	10		1 in 2.6
ROONEY	26	10		1 in 2.6
DEBNEY	41	13	1	1 in 2.9
PILARA	24	7		1 in 3.4
DU PREEZ	42	12		1 in 3.5
ROOS	7	2		1 in 3.5
BULLEN	12	3		1 in 4.0
HEARD	12	3		1 in 4.0
SMITH	12	3		1 in 4.0
JONES	25	6		1 in 4.2
BOWDEN	14	3		1 in 4.7
ROWE	38	8		1 in 4.8
COLLIER	5	1		1 in 5.0
SCOTT	5	1		1 in 5.0
YUSSOF	5	1		1 in 5.0
POMAREDE	5	0		0 in 5.0
BARNES	6	1		1 in 6.0
RICHARDS	7	1		1 in 7.0
REBOLLAL	22	2		1 in 11.0
MCDOWELL	14	1		1 in 14.0
TOTAL	365	99	1	1 in 3.7

SECTION 3 SUMMARISED AND COMPARATIVE DATA

NOTE: this final section brings together in an alternative format much of the data included in the previous section.

This has been done so that participating countries have a summary of their performance in many of the significant areas that can then be compared against other teams without having to refer back into the main body of the report. A country could also use the data as a benchmark for measuring performances in future series.



	Matches	Average Points Scored per Game	Average Points Conceded per Game	Tries Scored per Game	Tries Conceded per Game	Try Scoring Rate	Try Conceding Rate	Conversion Success %
FJI	48	31*	12*	4.9	2	45 s	114 s	71%
KEN	46	15	22	2.5	3.4	76 s	69 s	61%
ENG	45	28*	11*	4.3	1.7	56 s	100 s	68%
CAN	44	17	19	2.7	3.2	79 s	66 s	57%
RSA	43	26*	13*	4	2.1	50 s	104 s	70%
SAM	43	25*	13*	4	2	58 s	90 s	59%
ARG	43	19*	16*	2.9	2.5	64 s	93 s	68%
FRA	43	17	18	2.7	2.9	77 s	71 s	58%
NZL	42	28	12	4.4	2	51 s	93 s	63%
SCO	42	20	17	3	2.8	76 s	62 s	74%
AUS	39	20	17	3.2	2.6	64 s	76 s	65%
POR	26	19	19	2	3.2	77 s	65 s	68%
TUN	22	9	24	1.5	3.9	138 s	59 s	49%
WAL	18	24	12	4.1	1.8	55 s	105 s	37 of 73
ITA	16	13	22	2.3	3.7	84 s	60 s	17 of 35
RUS	15	14	24	2.3	3.8	74 s	58 s	19 of 35
USA	15	12	25	2.1	4	99 s	46 s	13 of 31
TON	12	24	18	3.8	2.9	58 s	67 s	32 of 45
CHN	12	13	27	2.2	4.3	81 s	47 s	14 of 26
GER	11	9	36	1.6	5.5	106 s	39 s	5 of 18
JAP	10	19	20	3	3.1	64 s	69 s	22 of 30
KOR	10	19	22	3	3.4	55 s	62 s	22 of 30
HKG	10	13	29	2	4.6	79 s	48 s	15 of 20
SIN	9	1	46	0.2	7.1	861 s	26 s	0 of 2
PNG	6	10	31	1.8	5	84 s	57 s	3 of 11
TPE	6	13	33	2	5.2	91 s	41 s	8 of 12
AER	5	6	38	1	6	209 s	31 s	3 of 5
COK	5	24	22	4	3.6	49 s	54 s	11 of 20
ZIM	5	18	22	3	3.6	72 s	55 s	8 of 15
URU	5	12	29	2	4.6	88 s	46 s	5 of 10
NIU	5	10	30	1.6	4.6	121 s	43 s	5 of 8
SRI	5	10	34	1.6	5.4	98 s	45 s	5 of 8
MAD	4	8	41	1.3	6.5	108 s	40 s	4 of 5
NAM	5	3	40	0.4	6.4	382 s	43 s	2 of 2
WI	5	2	43	0.4	6.8	351 s	36 s	0 of 2
MEX	5	1	61	0.2	9.6	752 s	23 s	1 of 1
UGA	5	1	37	0.2	6	727 s	78 s	0 of 1



	Try Source Scored		Try Source Conceded		Try Origin		Try Process	
	Pen/ FK	Turnover/ Opp Error	Pen/ FK	Turnover/ Opp Error	Tries Scored Own Half	Tries Conceded Opp Half	No Rucks/ Mauls	< 3 passes
FJI	20%	24%	45%	16%	43%	50%	74%	65%
KEN	26%	27%	30%	26%	47%	32%	62%	68%
ENG	33%	20%	36%	16%	41%	42%	65%	58%
CAN	35%	21%	31%	31%	39%	48%	62%	57%
RSA	23%	25%	33%	20%	49%	42%	78%	73%
SAM	22%	22%	36%	31%	35%	57%	63%	62%
ARG	31%	25%	33%	14%	52%	38%	65%	65%
FRA	39%	19%	33%	18%	35%	42%	69%	66%
NZL	28%	22%	40%	18%	43%	48%	68%	65%
SCO	30%	26%	17%	31%	40%	52%	59%	55%
AUS	23%	23%	22%	36%	36%	50%	76%	66%
POR	25	20	21	20	34	35	71%	58%
TUN	16	6	22	21	13	36	55%	48%
WAL	20	18	11	6	27	18	86%	52%
ITA	7	7	15	10	17	28	81%	75%
RUS	6	9	10	13	19	23	74%	66%
USA	14	3	15	14	9	23	48%	68%
TON	9	8	11	11	19	13	71%	60%
CHN	7	10	13	10	9	20	81%	65%
GER	6	7	11	14	8	26	83%	50%
JAP	9	7	5	11	11	13	70%	60%
KOR	6	10	6	10	17	13	70%	63%
HKG	3	9	14	15	7	18	85%	80%
SIN	0	1	16	16	1	17	50%	50%
PNG	4	3	6	6	8	7	91%	55%
TPE	4	2	3	11	6	13	67%	42%
AER	1	1	8	6	2	11	60%	80%
COK	7	3	7	4	8	7	85%	60%
ZIM	6	5	6	3	5	11	73%	53%
URU	1	7	6	2	6	14	70%	90%
NIU	5	2	10	5	1	7	63%	75%
SRI	1	5	5	5	3	10	75%	88%
MAD	1	1	6	3	2	10	60%	40%
NAM	1	0	4	12	1	10	100%	50%
WI	1	1	3	10	0	11	0%	50%
MEX	1	0	9	10	0	7	0%	100%
UGA	0	0	10	5	1	11	0%	0%



	Possession Time per Game	Average Passes per Game	Passing Rate	Prop of 5+ Pass Seq	Average Rucks/ Mauls per Game	Ruck / Mauls Rate	Ruck / Maul Success %
FJI	3m 24 s	33	9	1 in 6	5	1.5	71%
KEN	3m 07 s	31	10	1 in 7	6	2	72%
ENG	3m 52 s	40	10	1 in 8	10	2.4	84%
CAN	3m 39 s	42	11.4	1 in 7	10	2.8	84%
RSA	3m 16 s	28	8.3	1 in 8	5	1.6	70%
SAM	3m 47 s	42	10.8	1 in 9	9	2.4	82%
ARG	3m 06 s	31	9.7	1 in 8	6	2	75%
FRA	3m 31 s	32	9.2	1 in 7	7	1.9	78%
NZL	3m 45 s	36	9.5	1 in 8	8	2.2	78%
SCO	3m 50 s	44	11.5	1 in 5	8	2	80%
AUS	3m 26 s	35	10.2	1 in 5	7	2	77%
POR	3m 45 s	38	10.1	1 in 13	8	2.1	82%
TUN	3m 16 s	33	9.6	1 in 11	9	2.7	84%
WAL	3m 43 s	43	11.5	1 in 5	6	1.7	80%
ITA	3m 08 s	26	8.2	1 in 13	7	2.1	79%
RUS	2m 53 s	30	10.2	1 in 6	5	1.7	77%
USA	3m 25 s	36	10.4	1 in 7	10	2.8	88%
TON	3m 36 s	36	10	1 in 5	7	1.9	72%
CHN	2m 56 s	32	11	1 in 9	6	1.9	80%
GER	2m 53 s	36	12.3	1 in 4	6	1.9	85%
JAP	3m 13 s	36	11.1	1 in 4	6	1.9	89%
KOR	2m 44 s	32	11.8	1 in 4	3	1.1	80%
HKG	2m 37 s	27	10.2	1 in 12	6	2.3	79%
SIN	3m 11 s	32	9.9	1 in 10	11	3.6	86%
PNG	2m 34 s	25	9.7	1 in 6	4	1.4	73%
TPE	3m 03 s	33	11	1 in 6	5	1.6	77%
AER	3m 18 s	34	9.8	1 in 14	11	3	81%
COK	3m 17 s	36	10.9	1 in 5	6	1.8	73%
ZIM	3m 37 s	34	9.3	1 in 13	9	2.5	91%
URU	2m 56 s	26	8.9	1 in 17	7	2.5	68%
NIU	3m 13 s	36	11.3	1 in 7	9	2.9	83%
SRI	2m 36 s	29	11.2	1 in 6	4	1.5	63%
MAD	2m 15 s	27	12	1 in 7	3	1.3	87%
NAM	2m 33 s	28	10.8	1 in 12	7	2.7	83%
WI	2m 20 s	20	8.8	1 in 17	7	2.8	76%
MEX	2m 30 s	20	8	1 in 24	9	3.5	91%
UGA	2m 25 s	21	8.8	1 in 8	6	2.5	70%



	Restarts		Tackles	Attacking Breakdowns		Defending Breakdowns		Penalties		Cards
	Short %	Success Rate	Average per Game	1 player	1 + Players	No Players	1 + Players	Average Against per Game	Average For per Game	Yellow Cards
FJI	78%	1 in 3.2	22	82%	18%	29%	71%	4	2.4	12
KEN	81%	1 in 7.4	22	72%	28%	21%	79%	3.2	2.9	6
ENG	86%	1 in 2.7	15	55%	45%	13%	87%	2.9	3.4	2
CAN	93%	1 in 3.8	21	68%	32%	16%	84%	2.8	3.6	4
RSA	72%	1 in 4.3	22	62%	38%	30%	70%	3.1	2.7	7
SAM	96%	1 in 2.4	18	80%	20%	20%	80%	3.2	2.7	11
ARG	85%	1 in 5.8	21	80%	20%	23%	77%	3.3	2.8	4
FRA	88%	1 in 4.6	20	40%	60%	22%	78%	3.3	3.4	6
NZL	76%	1 in 4.5	19	84%	16%	24%	76%	3.2	3.1	7
SCO	82%	1 in 3.0	17	66%	34%	16%	84%	2.1	3.3	0
AUS	86%	1 in 4.0	20	56%	44%	18%	82%	2.6	3	3
POR	91%	1 in 5.2	20	71%	29%	18%	102%	2.6	2.8	2
TUN	88%	1 in 4.4	17	44%	56%	8%	92%	2.8	3	2
WAL	97%	1 in 2.8	17	78%	22%	21%	79%	3.8	3	6
ITA	83%	1 in 6.6	18	57%	43%	14%	86%	2.9	2.4	1
RUS	41%	1 in 11.3	18	57%	43%	32%	68%	2.5	2.4	2
USA	39%	1 in 13.7	11	73%	27%	25%	75%	2.1	4.1	3
TON	59%	1 in 4.7	19	78%	22%	27%	73%	2.7	2.6	3
CHN	55%	1 in 6.6	20	65%	35%	22%	78%	3	2.6	3
GER	59%	1 in 22	17	67%	33%	14%	86%	1.6	2.1	1
JAP	67%	1 in 9	22	74%	26%	35%	65%	2.4	2.7	3
KOR	75%	1 in 5.3	20	60%	40%	29%	71%	2.7	2.8	0
HKG	4%	0 in 25	23	46%	54%	19%	81%	2.8	1.5	2
SIN	33%	1 in 6.0	16	73%	27%	18%	82%	3.2	3.6	2
PNG	53%	1 in 15	21	77%	23%	21%	79%	2.8	2.2	2
TPE	50%	1 in 5.3	20	57%	43%	21%	79%	1.7	2.8	0
AER	89%	1 in 4.5	13	75%	25%	20%	80%	2.6	2.8	0
COK	68%	1 in 19	19	57%	43%	10%	90%	3.2	2.8	0
ZIM	95%	1 in 3.8	13	47%	53%	22%	78%	2.6	4	0
URU	62%	0 in 13	35	51%	49%	22%	78%	3	2.6	0
NIU	64%	1 in 5.5	18	70%	30%	13%	87%	3.8	3.4	2
SRI	77%	0 in 13	25	58%	42%	27%	73%	2.2	2.6	0
MAD	63%	0 in 8	29	58%	42%	19%	81%	3.3	1.3	1
NAM	100%	1 in 5.0	21	43%	57%	14%	86%	1.2	2.6	0
WI	43%	0 in 7	22	45%	55%	23%	77%	2.4	2.6	1
MEX	67%	0 in 6	15	45%	55%	20%	80%	2	3.8	0
UGA	50%	0 in 6	19	57%	43%	19%	81%	3.6	2.6	1

MATCH RESULTS



NO.	TEAM	SCORE	TEAM	REFEREE
1	Fiji	31 - 5	Tunisia	Debney
2	Samoa	26 - 14	Wales	Rebollal
3	South Africa	21 - 7	Scotland	Rowe
4	Argentina	19 - 14	Portugal	Du Preez
5	New Zealand	24 - 7	Canada	Scott
6	France	33 - 12	Arabian Gulf	Allan
7	England	52 - 7	Kenya	Pilara
8	Australia	33 - 0	Uganda	Du Preez
9	Fiji	42 - 21	Wales	Rowe
10	Samoa	14 - 5	Tunisia	Pilara
11	South Africa	40 - 7	Portugal	Rebollal
12	Argentina	14 - 10	Scotland	Debney
13	New Zealand	60 - 0	Arabian Gulf	Pilara
14	France	19 - 10	Canada	Allan
15	England	48 - 0	Uganda	Scott
16	Australia	21 - 7	Kenya	Du Preez
17	Tunisia	7 - 29	Wales	Allan
18	Scotland	5 - 17	Portugal	Rowe
19	Canada	38 - 5	Arabian Gulf	Pilara
20	Kenya	40 - 5	Uganda	Scott
21	Fiji	7 - 26	Samoa	Debney
22	South Africa	19 - 7	Argentina	Rebollal
23	New Zealand	45 - 12	France	Du Preez
24	England	33 - 5	Australia	Rowe
25	Canada	26 - 5	Tunisia	Scott
26	Portugal	41 - 0	Uganda	Rowe
27	Kenya	0 - 33	Scotland	Rebollal
28	Wales	24 - 7	Arabian Gulf	Allan
29	New Zealand	14 - 17	Fiji	Pilara
30	South Africa	14 - 0	Australia	Rowe
31	England	24 - 12	Argentina	Du Preez
32	Samoa	33 - 14	France	Debney
33	Tunisia	24 - 0	Uganda	Du Preez
34	Kenya	35 - 7	Arabian Gulf	Pilara
35	Canada	24 - 17	Portugal	Scott
36	Scotland	0 - 19	Wales	Rebollal
37	New Zealand	24 - 0	Australia	Allan
38	Argentina	14 - 24	France	Debney
39	Fiji	17 - 7	South Africa	Debney
40	England	7 - 5	Samoa	Pilara
41	Tunisia	7 - 10	Kenya	Rebollal
42	Canada	5 - 19	Wales	Allan
43	New Zealand	19 - 7	France	Du Preez
44	Fiji	26 - 28	England	Rowe



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1	New Zealand	41 - 0	Kenya	Debney
2	Argentina	21 - 33	Wales	Du Preez
3	Fiji	31 - 7	Scotland	Rowe
4	Australia	47 - 7	Namibia	Roos
5	England	40 - 0	Canada	Rebollal
6	Samoa	29 - 28	Portugal	Pilara
7	South Africa	36 - 0	Tunisia	Allan
8	France	26 - 10	Zimbabwe	Debney
9	New Zealand	31 - 7	Wales	Du Preez
10	Argentina	54 - 0	Kenya	Rebollal
11	Fiji	52 - 0	Namibia	Roos
12	Australia	29 - 28	Scotland	Rowe
13	England	36 - 0	Portugal	Allan
14	Samoa	31 - 14	Canada	Pilara
15	South Africa	29 - 12	Zimbabwe	Debney
16	France	22 - 10	Tunisia	Du Preez
17	Kenya	0 - 36	Wales	Roos
18	Scotland	29 - 0	Namibia	Rebollal
19	Canada	10 - 14	Portugal	Du Preez
20	Tunisia	19 - 26	Zimbabwe	Roos
21	New Zealand	0 - 14	Argentina	Allan
22	Fiji	33 - 7	Australia	Debney
23	England	22 - 21	Samoa	Rowe
24	South Africa	26 - 19	France	Pilara
25	Wales	41 - 0	Namibia	Rebollal
26	Zimbabwe	24 - 14	Canada	Roos
27	Portugal	22 - 5	Tunisia	Debney
28	Scotland	36 - 5	Kenya	Pilara
29	Argentina	14 - 12	Australia	Du Preez
30	South Africa	21 - 19	Samoa	Rowe
31	England	26 - 5	France	Roos
32	Fiji	43 - 14	New Zealand	Allan
33	Namibia	7 - 29	Canada	Rowe
34	Tunisia	28 - 7	Kenya	Debney
35	Wales	22 - 19	Zimbabwe	Pilara
36	Portugal	45 - 7	Scotland	Du Preez
37	Australia	5 - 35	Samoa	Roos
38	France	12 - 29	New Zealand	Debney
39	Argentina	28 - 19	South Africa	Allan
40	England	22 - 28	Fiji	Du Preez
41	Canada	12 - 5	Tunisia	Rebollal
42	Wales	34 - 14	Portugal	Rowe
43	Samoa	17 - 5	New Zealand	Pilara
44	Argentina	19 - 21	Fiji	Du Preez



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1	South Africa	38 - 14	Tonga	Rowe
2	Argentina	29 - 17	USA	Du Preez
3	Fiji	28 - 14	Canada	Rooney
4	France	26 - 17	Niue	Leckie
5	England	12 - 5	Scotland	Bowden
6	Australia	24 - 10	PNG	Noonan
7	New Zealand	28 - 5	Kenya	Bullen
8	Samoa	26 - 19	Cook Islands	Rooney
9	South Africa	38 - 5	USA	Bowden
10	Argentina	12 - 21	Tonga	Noonan
11	Fiji	52 - 0	Niue	Du Preez
12	France	19 - 7	Canada	Bullen
13	England	64 - 0	PNG	Rooney
14	Australia	22 - 12	Scotland	Rowe
15	New Zealand	41 - 7	Cook Islands	Bowden
16	Samoa	50 - 10	Kenya	Du Preez
17	Tonga	19 - 17	USA	Leckie
18	Canada	38 - 7	Niue	Noonan
19	Scotland	34 - 12	PNG	Bullen
20	Kenya	7 - 43	Cook Islands	Rowe
21	South Africa	0 - 7	Argentina	Rooney
22	Fiji	21 - 7	France	Bowden
23	England	19 - 7	Australia	Du Preez
24	New Zealand	5 - 5	Samoa	Leckie
25	Scotland	14 - 12	Niue	Rooney
26	Tonga	14 - 15	Kenya	Bullen
27	Cook Islands	43 - 5	USA	Noonan
28	Canada	33 - 10	PNG	Leckie
29	England	14 - 19	France	Rowe
30	South Africa	17 - 12	Samoa	Bowden
31	New Zealand	26 - 12	Argentina	Du Preez
32	Fiji	21 - 14	Australia	Rooney
33	Niue	14 - 21	Tonga	Bullen
34	USA	12 - 15	PNG	Noonan
35	Scotland	61 - 0	Kenya	Rowe
36	Cook Islands	10 - 33	Canada	Bowden
37	England	21 - 17	Samoa	Leckie
38	Argentina	21 - 17	Australia	Du Preez
39	France	5 - 28	South Africa	Rowe
40	New Zealand	14 - 26	Fiji	Leckie
41	Tonga	19 - 14	PNG	Noonan
42	Scotland	10 - 5	Canada	Rooney
43	England	14 - 10	Argentina	Du Preez
44	South Africa	22 - 27	Fiji	Bowden



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1	South Africa	12 - 17	Canada	Bowden
2	Samoa	62 - 0	Mexico	Bullen
3	New Zealand	36 - 5	Tonga	Du Preez
4	Australia	33 - 0	West Indies	Smith
5	Fiji	38 - 5	Scotland	Rowe
6	Argentina	34 - 5	Uruguay	Rooney
7	England	26 - 5	Kenya	Leckie
8	France	21 - 5	USA	Bowden
9	South Africa	78 - 0	Mexico	Smith
10	Samoa	12 - 5	Canada	Rooney
11	New Zealand	50 - 5	West Indies	Bullen
12	Australia	38 - 12	Tonga	Du Preez
13	Fiji	31 - 7	Uruguay	Rowe
14	Argentina	22 - 5	Scotland	Leckie
15	England	45 - 0	USA	Bowden
16	France	38 - 12	Kenya	Bullen
17	Canada	78 - 7	Mexico	Du Preez
18	Tonga	43 - 0	West Indies	Leckie
19	Scotland	14 - 17	Uruguay	Bullen
20	Kenya	5 - 5	USA	Smith
21	South Africa	28 - 12	Samoa	Rowe
22	New Zealand	17 - 17	Australia	Du Preez
23	Fiji	17 - 15	Argentina	Bowden
24	England	24 - 19	France	Leckie
25	Kenya	7 - 21	Scotland	Rooney
26	Samoa	52 - 0	West Indies	Bullen
27	Tonga	55 - 0	Mexico	Smith
28	Uruguay	24 - 19	USA	Du Preez
29	England	19 - 15	Argentina	Bowden
30	South Africa	26 - 5	Australia	Rowe
31	New Zealand	45 - 0	Canada	Leckie
32	Fiji	29 - 5	France	Du Preez
33	Kenya	38 - 5	West Indies	Smith
34	Mexico	0 - 33	USA	Rowe
35	Scotland	26 - 21	Samoa	Bowden
36	Tonga	45 - 7	Uruguay	Bullen
37	Argentina	19 - 12	Australia	Smith
38	Canada	14 - 20	France	Rooney
39	England	40 - 0	South Africa	Rowe
40	New Zealand	17 - 22	Fiji	Bowden
41	Kenya	26 - 12	USA	Du Preez
42	Scotland	26 - 21	Tonga	Rooney
43	Argentina	21 - 5	France	Bullen
44	England	38 - 5	Fiji	Leckie



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1	Fiji	52 - 7	Madagascar	Du Preez
2	England	52 - 0	Hong Kong	Rowe
3	South Africa	43 - 7	China	Rooney
4	New Zealand	52 - 0	Singapore	Leckie
5	France	31 - 5	Sri Lanka	Debney
6	Argentina	33 - 7	Chinese Taipei	Jones
7	Kenya	26 - 10	Russia	Collier
8	Canada	17 - 12	USA	Pilara
9	Wales	17 - 14	Portugal	Du Preez
10	Scotland	33 - 7	Japan	Rowe
11	Australia	38 - 7	Korea	Rooney
12	Samoa	47 - 0	Italy	Leckie
13	Kenya	50 - 0	Madagascar	Debney
14	Canada	29 - 5	Hong Kong	Jones
15	Wales	29 - 0	China	Collier
16	Scotland	82 - 0	Singapore	Pilara
17	Australia	50 - 0	Sri Lanka	Du Preez
18	Samoa	71 - 0	Chinese Taipei	Rowe
19	Fiji	47 - 12	Russia	Rooney
20	England	40 - 5	USA	Leckie
21	South Africa	24 - 14	Portugal	Debney
22	New Zealand	24 - 19	Japan	Jones
23	France	19 - 19	Korea	Collier
24	Argentina	29 - 7	Italy	Du Preez
25	Russia	40 - 14	Madagascar	Pilara
26	USA	12 - 35	Hong Kong	Rowe
27	Portugal	14 - 12	China	Rooney
28	Japan	50 - 0	Singapore	Leckie
29	Korea	45 - 5	Sri Lanka	Debney
30	Italy	17 - 19	Chinese Taipei	Jones
31	Fiji	29 - 7	Kenya	Rowe
32	England	36 - 12	Canada	Du Preez
33	South Africa	21 - 17	Wales	Pilara
34	New Zealand	35 - 0	Scotland	Leckie
35	France	0 - 26	Australia	Debney
36	Argentina	10 - 5	Samoa	Rooney
37	Hong Kong	33 - 0	Singapore	Leckie
38	Italy	12 - 17	China	Debney
39	USA	17 - 21	Sri Lanka	Jones
40	Madagascar	12 - 22	Chinese Taipei	Rooney
41	Kenya	36 - 12	Russia	Du Preez
42	France	21 - 14	Korea	Pilara
43	Canada	22 - 12	Japan	Rowe
44	Portugal	0 - 31	Wales	Collier
45	Fiji	26 - 12	Scotland	Rooney
46	Australia	7 - 35	New Zealand	Du Preez
47	South Africa	17 - 7	Argentina	Debney
48	Samoa	10 - 14	England	Leckie
49	Hong Kong	14 - 26	China	Rowe
50	Sri Lanka	19 - 28	Chinese Taipei	Du Preez
51	Kenya	24 - 14	France	Jones
52	Canada	0 - 29	Wales	Debney
53	Fiji	35 - 10	New Zealand	Pilara
54	South Africa	0 - 24	England	Rowe
55	China	47 - 0	Chinese Taipei	Collier
56	Kenya	5 - 15	Wales	Rooney
57	Fiji	24 - 26	England	Leckie



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1	New Zealand	26 - 10	Canada	Pilara
2	France	45 - 0	China	Rowe
3	South Africa	33 - 14	Scotland	Leckie
4	Argentina	38 - 5	Hong Kong	Rooney
5	England	26 - 12	Kenya	Jones
6	Samoa	33 - 14	Korea	Yusof
7	Fiji	54 - 0	Japan	du Preez
8	Australia	33 - 0	Singapore	Debney
9	New Zealand	48 - 12	China	Leckie
10	France	12 - 12	Canada	Rooney
11	South Africa	36 - 0	Hong Kong	Yusof
12	Argentina	14 - 19	Scotland	Rowe
13	England	47 - 5	Korea	Pilara
14	Samoa	19 - 21	Kenya	du Preez
15	Fiji	61 - 0	Singapore	Jones
16	Australia	45 - 0	Japan	Debney
17	Canada	29 - 10	China	Pilara
18	Scotland	40 - 7	Hong Kong	Leckie
19	Kenya	17 - 14	Korea	Yusof
20	Japan	54 - 0	Singapore	du Preez
21	New Zealand	31 - 5	France	Jones
22	South Africa	17 - 19	Argentina	Debney
23	England	12 - 14	Samoa	Rooney
24	Fiji	38 - 7	Australia	Rowe
25	Japan	21 - 5	Korea	Yusof
26	Canada	26 - 19	Hong Kong	Rooney
27	Scotland	31 - 5	China	Jones
28	Kenya	34 - 0	Singapore	du Preez
29	Fiji	14 - 12	Samoa	Leckie
30	New Zealand	14 - 21	Argentina	Debney
31	South Africa	15 - 12	France	Pilara
32	England	26 - 14	Australia	Rowe
33	Korea	28 - 12	Hong Kong	Yusof
34	China	17 - 10	Singapore	du Preez
35	Japan	31 - 0	Canada	Leckie
36	Scotland	14 - 26	Kenya	Jones
37	Samoa	24 - 5	New Zealand	Debney
38	France	19 - 7	Australia	Rooney
39	Fiji	26 - 7	Argentina	Leckie
40	South Africa	14 - 33	England	Pilara
41	Korea	43 - 5	China	Jones
42	Japan	0 - 12	Kenya	Debney
43	Samoa	26 - 5	France	Rooney
44	Fiji	40 - 19	England	Rowe



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1	Fiji	45 - 0	Canada	Debney
2	Australia	21 12	Tunisia	Jones
3	South Africa	35 - 5	Kenya	Rebollal
4	Samoa	41 - 5	Italy	Smith
5	New Zealand	33 - 14	Portugal	Pomarede
6	Argentina	40 - 0	Germany	Heard
7	England	24 7	Scotland	McDowell
8	France	26 12	Russia	Jones
9	Fiji	43 - 0	Tunisia	Rebollal
10	Australia	36 - 19	Canada	McDowell
11	South Africa	24 - 19	Italy	Heard
12	Samoa	27 12	Kenya	Pomarede
13	New Zealand	59 - 5	Germany	Smith
14	Argentina	24 - 19	Portugal	Debney
15	England	26 7	Russia	Rebollal
16	France	19 7	Scotland	Jones
17	Canada	12 19	Tunisia	Debney
18	Kenya	12 19	Italy	Heard
19	Portugal	28 - 20	Germany	Jones
20	Scotland	14 - 24	Russia	Pomarede
21	Fiji	15 12	Australia	Smith
22	South Africa	21 - 29	Samoa	Rebollal
23	New Zealand	24 - 21	Argentina	Debney
24	England	19 12	France	McDowell
25	Tunisia	19 - 14	Scotland	McDowell
26	Portugal	0 - 22	Kenya	Smith
27	Italy	31 12	Germany	Heard
28	Russia	17 - 33	Canada	Pomarede
29	Fiji	21 - 22	France	Debney
30	New Zealand	19 - 26	South Africa	Jones
31	Samoa	26 7	Argentina	Rebollal
32	England	17 - 29	Australia	McDowell
33	Scotland	21 - 17	Portugal	Pomarede
34	Germany	17 - 14	Russia	Heard
35	Tunisia	10 12	Kenya	Smith
36	Italy	17 10	Canada	Jones
37	Fiji	29 - 14	New Zealand	Rebollal
38	Argentina	14 12	England	Heard
39	France	12 33	South Africa	Jones
40	Samoa	22 7	Australia	Debney
41	Scotland	40 - 0	Germany	Smith
42	Kenya	31 7	Italy	Debney
43	Fiji	31 12	Argentina	Rebollal
44	South Africa	33 - 12	Samoa	McDowell



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1	Fiji	33 - 14	Portugal	Jones
2	France	20 - 5	Italy	Heard
3	South Africa	34 - 7	Canada	Debney
4	Argentina	26 - 10	Russia	McDowell
5	New Zealand	34 - 7	Scotland	Barnes
6	Samoa	38 - 7	Tunisia	Richards
7	England	26 - 0	Kenya	Rebollal
8	Australia	40 - 12	Germany	Debney
9	Fiji	38 - 5	Italy	McDowell
10	France	22 - 10	Portugal	Richards
11	South Africa	38 - 7	Russia	Jones
12	Argentina	24 - 10	Canada	Rebollal
13	New Zealand	59 - 0	Tunisia	Richards
14	Samoa	22 - 5	Scotland	Barnes
15	England	51 - 0	Germany	Heard
16	Australia	7 - 26	Kenya	Debney
17	Portugal	24 - 7	Italy	Jones
18	Canada	7 - 15	Russia	Heard
19	Scotland	33 - 5	Tunisia	McDowell
20	Kenya	35 - 7	Germany	Richards
21	Fiji	26 - 15	France	Barnes
22	South Africa	49 - 0	Argentina	Debney
23	New Zealand	21 - 12	Samoa	Rebollal
24	England	19 - 24	Australia	McDowell
25	Portugal	26 - 10	Germany	Heard
26	Scotland	24 - 19	Canada	Richards
27	Russia	10 - 5	Tunisia	McDowell
28	Australia	19 - 5	Italy	Barnes
29	Fiji	33 - 14	Kenya	Richards
30	New Zealand	19 - 7	Argentina	Rebollal
31	South Africa	14 - 24	Samoa	Debney
32	England	14 - 7	France	Jones
33	Germany	17 - 29	Canada	Barnes
34	Tunisia	0 - 41	Italy	Heard
35	Portugal	24 - 12	Scotland	McDowell
36	Russia	21 - 5	Australia	Debney
37	Kenya	19 - 14	Argentina	Jones
38	South Africa	19 - 14	France	Richards
39	Fiji	21 - 17	New Zealand	Barnes
40	Samoa	15 - 7	England	McDowell
41	Canada	12 - 17	Italy	Heard
42	Portugal	45 - 0	Russia	Jones
43	Kenya	7 - 42	South Africa	McDowell
44	Fiji	54 - 14	Samoa	Debney