

Women's Six Nations: 23 February

World Rugby Women's Rankings stats:

- Ireland, Scotland and Wales are the only teams who can improve their ranking
- Scotland will enter the top 10 for the first time if they win by more than 15 points
- Wales can only do so if the above happens and they beat France by the same margin
- Ireland could climb above Wales into eighth place
- Italy could fall up to three places in defeat depending on margin and other results

WALES (8) 73.41 v FRANCE (4) 85.89 (Sunday)

Wales win by 15 points or less – Wales 75.36, France 83.94

Wales win by more than 15 points – Wales 76.33, France 82.97

Draw – Wales 74.36, France 84.94

France win by 15 points or less – Wales 73.36, France 85.94

France win by more than 15 points – Wales 73.33, France 85.97

Head-to-head

Played: 25 – France leads 21-4

Points for: Wales 117 / France 626

Average score: Wales 4-25 France

First meeting: 23 April, 1994 – France 27-0 Wales

Last meeting: 2 February, 2019 – France 52-3 Wales – GGL Stadium, Montpellier

- Wales have won only one of their last 12 meetings with France, 10-8 in Neath in February 2016
- France cannot improve their position with victory, while Wales only can if they win by more than 15 points and Italy lose by the same margin to Scotland
- France will remain fourth if they lose as they have a 6.7 rating point cushion over Italy, but Wales will drop to ninth with defeat or if Ireland match their margin of victory

ENGLAND (2) 93.65 v IRELAND (9) 73.40 (Sunday)

England win by 15 points or less – England 93.65, Ireland 73.40 (No change)

England win by more than 15 points – England 93.65, Ireland 73.40 (No change)

Draw – England 92.65, Ireland 74.40

Ireland win by 15 points or less – England 91.65, Ireland 75.40

Ireland win by more than 15 points – England 90.65, Ireland 76.40

Head-to-head

Played: 28 – England leads 26-2

Points for: England 865 / Ireland 196

Average score: England 30-7 Ireland

First meeting: 17 March, 1996 – England 12-8 Ireland – Sunbury, England

Last meeting: 1 February, 2019 – England 51-7 Ireland – Energia Park, Dublin

- England cannot improve their rating with victory due to the near 20-point difference between the teams before home weighting is factored in
 - A draw for Ireland would be enough to lift them to eighth if Wales fail to beat France
 - If Wales win then Ireland will still climb above them if they are victorious by the same margin
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ITALY (5) 79.19 v SCOTLAND (11) 69.67 (Sunday)

Italy win by 15 points or less – Italy 79.19, Scotland 69.67 (No change)

Italy win by more than 15 points – Italy 79.19, Scotland 69.67 (No change)

Draw – Italy 78.19, Scotland 70.67

Scotland win by 15 points or less – Italy 77.19, Scotland 71.67

Scotland win by more than 15 points – Italy 76.19, Scotland 72.67

Head-to-head

Played: 20 – Italy leads 13-6 with one draw

Points for: Italy 414 / Scotland 247

Average score: Italy 20-12 Scotland

First meeting: 30 April, 1995 – Italy 12-10 Scotland

Last meeting: 1 February, 2019 – Italy 28-7 Scotland – Scotstoun Stadium, Glasgow

- With nearly 10 points between the teams before home weighting is factored in, Italy cannot improve their rating with victory
- Italy will drop below Australia if they draw – and also USA if Scotland win
- Italy could actually fall three places to ninth, but this would require them to lose by more than 15 points and Wales to win by the same margin
- Scotland must win by more than 15 points to overtake Spain and move into the top 10 for the first time

The World Rugby Women's Rankings update every Monday at 12:00 GMT.
