

Women's Internationals: 7 March

World Rugby Women's Rankings stats:

- England and France cannot improve their rating with victory
- Scotland can enter the top 10 for the first time, but only if they win by more than 15 points
- Russia will climb to their highest ever ranking if they beat the Netherlands in the opening match of the Rugby Europe Women's Championship 2020
- Brazil can jump as many as 10 places if they keep their RWC 2021 qualification hopes alive with victory over Colombia

SIX NATIONS

ENGLAND (2) 93.65 v WALES (9) 73.33

England win by 15 points or less – England 93.65, Wales 73.33 (No change)
England win by more than 15 points – England 93.65, Wales 73.33 (No change)
Draw – England 92.65, Wales 74.33
Wales win by 15 points or less – England 91.65, Wales 75.33
Wales win by more than 15 points – England 90.65, Wales 76.33

Head-to-head

Played: 35 – England leads 33-2
Points for: England 1,227 / Wales 216
Average score: England 35-6 Wales

First meeting: 5 April, 1987 – Wales 4-22 England
Last meeting: 24 February, 2019 – England 51-12 Wales – Cardiff Arms Park

- England have won the last four meetings since Wales triumphed 13-0 in Swansea in February 2015
- Wales have never won on English soil in 33 years of playing England
- England cannot improve their rating given the 20.32-point difference between the teams before home weighting is factored in
- They cannot fall from second either due to a 6.16 cushion over Canada in third
- Wales will climb above Ireland into eighth place if they avoid defeat

SCOTLAND (11) 69.67 v FRANCE (4) 85.97

Scotland win by 15 points or less – Scotland 71.67, France 83.97
Scotland win by more than 15 points – Scotland 72.67, France 82.97
Draw – Scotland 70.67, France 84.97
France win by 15 points or less – Scotland 69.67, France 85.97 (No change)
France win by more than 15 points – Scotland 69.67, France 85.97 (No change)

Head-to-head

Played: 26 – France leads 21-5
Points for: Scotland 217 / France 729
Average score: Scotland 8-28 France

First meeting: 21 February, 1998 – Scotland 19-3 France

Last meeting: 23 February, 2019 – France 41-10 Scotland – Grand Stade Lille Metropole, Lille

- France have won the last 10 meetings between the teams since Scotland triumphed 10-8 in Bonnyrigg on 6 February, 2010
- Scotland did not score a point against France between February 2012 and 2018, conceding 289 in this time
- France have only conceded three points on their last four visits to Scotland
- France cannot improve their rating given the 16.3-point difference between the teams
- Scotland must win by more than 15 points to climb above Spain and enter the world's top 10 for the first time

RWC 2021 QUALIFIERS

NETHERLANDS (17) 59.54 v RUSSIA (15) 59.83

Netherlands win by 15 points or less – Netherlands 60.27, Russia 59.10

Netherlands win by more than 15 points – Netherlands 60.64, Russia 58.74

Draw – Netherlands 59.27, Russia 60.10

Russia win by 15 points or less – Netherlands 58.27, Russia 61.10

Russia win by more than 15 points – Netherlands 57.64, Russia 61.74

Head-to-head

Played: 5 – Netherlands lead 4-1

Points for: Netherlands 180 / Russia 39

Average score: Netherlands 36-7 Russia

First meeting: 12 May, 1998 – RWC 1998 – Netherlands 61-0 Russia - Amsterdam

Last meeting: 9 October, 2016 – Netherlands 22-17 Russia – Madrid, Spain

- Their last meeting in October 2016 provided the smallest victory margin (five points)
- Russia will climb to a new high of 14th with victory in Amsterdam
- The Netherlands will only fall if they lose by more than 15 points, dropping four places and out of the top 20 for the first time
- The two sides will swap places if the Netherlands win
- A win by more than 15 points would lift the Dutch another place to 14th – one shy of their highest ever ranking
- Russia can fall no lower than 17th

COLOMBIA (29) 40.75 v BRAZIL (42) 37.25

Colombia win by 15 points or less – Colombia 41.10, Brazil 36.90

Colombia win by more than 15 points – Colombia 41.28, Brazil 36.73

Draw – Colombia 40.10, Brazil 37.90

Brazil win by 15 points or less – Colombia 39.10, Brazil 38.90

Brazil win by more than 15 points – Colombia 38.28, Brazil 39.73

Head-to-head

Played: 1 – Colombia leads 1-0

Points for: Colombia 28 / Brazil 7

Average score: Colombia 28-7 Brazil

First meeting: 25 August, 2019 – Colombia 28-7 Brazil – Estadio Cincuentenario, Medellin

- The winner of this match will face Kenya in Nairobi on 18 April for a place in the Rugby World Cup 2021 repechage
- This is only the second test between the teams
- Colombia cannot improve their ranking even with victory by more than 15 points
- A defeat by this margin would see Brazil lose the place they gained after Papua New Guinea's loss to Tonga last weekend
- Colombia would fall two places with a draw with Brazil climbing above India
- Brazil will climb to a new high with victory – jumping between five and 10 places depending on the margin of victory
- Colombia will fall a minimum of six places in defeat – 10 if by more than 15 points
- A win by more than 15 points would see Brazil become the higher ranked of the two and the highest ranked team in South America

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