

OLYMPIC GAMES TOKYO 2020: WOMEN'S SESSION 3 STATS



GENERAL STATISTICS

- New Zealand, France and USA finished top of their pools as the only unbeaten teams. Kenya, Brazil and Japan are yet to win in Tokyo.
- Australia suffered their first Olympic defeat, losing 14-12 to USA to end their unbeaten run at seven wins and one draw.
- Canada are the highest seed not to make the medal quarter-finals in Olympic history, the second seeds missing out to the Russian Olympic Committee (ROC) for the last spot on points scored (47 to 45) after they finished tied on -12 points difference and -2 tries difference.
- France and ROC – the last two qualifiers for Tokyo 2020 via the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in June – both reached the quarter-finals. China's progression means both debutants in the women's competition are guaranteed a top-eight finish.
- New Zealand are the only team with a perfect record of six wins from six in Olympic pool matches. USA are the only other team with an unbeaten record, having won five and drawn one.
- Fiji's Reapi Ulunisau became the first player to score four tries in an Olympic match with her haul against Brazil. She is also the first Fijian – men's or women's – to score a hat-trick and has now scored more Olympic tries than any other Fijian with six.
- Ulunisau is now the top try and point-scorer after the pool stage with six and 30 respectively. Michaela Blyde, who did not feature in New Zealand's final pool match, is next best with five tries and 25 points.
- A total of 101 tries and 635 points were scored in the pool stage of Tokyo 2020. This is down on the 106 tries and 657 points scored in the first 18 matches of Rio 2016. The average winning margin is also down from Rio, at +22 points compared to +29.
- New Zealand scored the most points (88) in the pool stage, two more than Australia. The Rio 2016 gold and silver medallists have each scored 14 tries, one more than Pool B winners France.

- France conceded the fewest points (10) and tries (two) in the pool stage. Brazil conceded the most with 114 points and 18 tries.
- Three players have now scored a hat-trick in the women's competition with Fiji's Reapi Ulunisau (v Brazil) joining Australia's Emma Tonegato (v Japan) and New Zealand's Michaela Blyde (v Great Britain).
- Reapi Ulunisau (Fiji), Xu Xiaoyan (China), Jasmine Joyce (Great Britain), Ruby Tui and Stacey Fluhler (both New Zealand) all scored braces in session three, taking the number of players to score at least two tries in a pool match to 17. Those to do it on day one were Keyara Wardley (Canada), Kristi Kirshe (USA), Emma Tonegato, Demi Hayes, Maddison Levi (all Australia), Abbie Brown (Great Britain), Michaela Blyde (New Zealand, twice), Reapi Ulunisau (Fiji), Anne-Cécile Ciofani, Lina Guerin (both France) and Janet Okello (Kenya).

MATCH 13 – FIJI 41-5 – POOL B

- Fiji's Reapi Ulunisau became the first player to score four tries in a match in Olympic sevens history. She is the 11th different player to score at least three tries in a match across the men's and women's competitions and the first Fijian.
- Ulunisau – making her debut in a global tournament in Tokyo – is now Fiji's top scorer on the Olympic stage with six, surpassing Josua Tuisova, Jiuta Wainiqolo and Jerry Tuwai haul of five for the men's team.
- She is the first Fijian player to score six in a single tournament, Tuisova and Wainiqolo having scored five at Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020 respectively.
- This was the most points (41) and tries (seven) that Fiji have scored in an Olympic match, surpassing their 36-0 win over Colombia in Rio when they scored six tries.
- Bianca Silva has scored a try and been issued a yellow card in each of her last two matches. She is Brazil's only try-scorer at Tokyo 2020. This was her third yellow card in the tournament and following a disciplinary hearing she has been suspended for one match.
- Fiji finish second in Pool B, matching their second-place finish behind Australia in Pool A at Rio 2016. They have scored more points (72) and tries (12) in Tokyo than they did five years ago (48 and eight).

MATCH 13 – CANADA 0-31 FRANCE – POOL B

- This is the second time Canada have failed to score in an Olympic match after a 22-0 loss to Great Britain in their final pool match in Rio. It is also their biggest margin of defeat.
- Canada's failure to add to their overnight tally ultimately cost them a place in the medal quarter-finals as the second-best third-placed team as they missed out to the Russian Olympic Committee on points scored.
- France scored their most points ever against Canada, their previous best was 24 in a 24-19 victory at Rugby World Cup Sevens 2018. This was also their biggest victory margin until today, their three wins on the World Rugby Sevens Series coming by a combined four points.
- The final qualifiers for Tokyo 2020 last month, France improve on their second-place finish in Rio to top Pool B.
- Anne-Cécile Ciofani is France's top try-scorer at Tokyo 2020 with three after scoring Les Bleues' opening try.

MATCH 14 – CHINA 29-0 JAPAN – POOL C

- Xu Xiaoyan is the first player to score a brace for China on the Olympic stage.
- China scored more points (29) and tries (five) in this match than they had in their two previous matches (24 and four).
- China's first Olympic victory was by a big enough margin to guarantee their place in the medal quarter-finals as one of the two best third-placed teams. They had to win by 19 points or more to ensure a better point differential than Canada's -12.
- This is the second time at Tokyo 2020 that Japan have been kept scoreless, having lost their opening match 48-0 to Australia. They were also held scoreless twice in the Rio 2016 pool stage by Canada (45-0) and Great Britain (40-0).

MATCH 16 – AUSTRALIA 12-14 USA – POOL C

- USA handed defending champions Australia their first defeat on the Olympic stage. Australia had won seven and drawn one (12-12 v USA in pool decider in Rio) of their previous eight matches.
- USA remain unbeaten in pool matches with five wins and one draw. Only New Zealand have a better record with six wins from six.
- The Women's Sevens Eagles finished third in the pool at Rio 2016 but finish top in Tokyo with three wins from three.
- USA have conceded the opening try in two of their three matches at Tokyo 2020, going down 7-0 against China and 12-0 against Australia.
- Demi Hayes scored her third try of Tokyo 2020 to give Australia a 12-0 half-time lead. This draws her level with team-mate Emma Tonegato.

MATCH 17 – GREAT BRITAIN 31-0 KENYA – POOL A

- Jasmine Joyce scored her first brace at the Olympic Games, the fourth woman from Great Britain to achieve the feat.
- Joyce – the only Welsh player in either Team GB squad – is one of five players to have scored three tries at Tokyo 2020.
- Great Britain were pool winners in Rio 2016 but progress to the medal quarter-finals as Pool A runners-up in Tokyo.
- Kenya failed to score for the first time at Tokyo 2020, having managed a try against New Zealand and two against Russia.
- Kenya are yet to win a pool match at the Olympic Games.

MATCH 18 – NEW ZEALAND 33-0 RUSSIAN OLYMPIC COMMITTEE – POOL A

- New Zealand finish top of Pool A and are the only team with a perfect record in Olympic pool matches, having won all six across Rio and Tokyo.
- The sides will meet again in the medal quarter-finals after the Russian Olympic Committee scraped into the top eight by the skin of their teeth, finishing above Canada in the battle for the last spot only on points scored, the third criteria to split teams tied on competition points. They had to avoid defeat by 34 points, conceding 33 points and five tries left them tied with Canada on -12 points and -2 tries. ROC claimed the second-best third-placed spot by two points, having scored 47 points to Canada's 45.
- The Russian Olympic Committee failed to score in a match for the first time.
- Ruby Tui and Stacey Fluhler both scored braces, joining Michaela Blyde as Black Ferns Sevens players to do so in Tokyo. Blyde has scored two or more in their previous two matches.
- Stacey Fluhler's first try was the 100th try scored in the women's competition at Tokyo 2020.
- Portia Woodman scored her second try in Tokyo and 12th try overall to extend her record as the leading try-scorer in Olympic history.