

FRANCE



Coach
Marc Lièvremont
Captain
Thierry Dusautoir

WORLD CUP RECORD

Appearances: 6
Best: **Runners-up**
(1987, 1999)
2007: **Semi-finals**
Lost to England

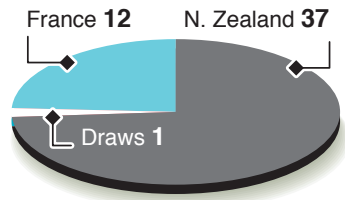
Won	30
Lost	11
Draw	1



Rugby World Cup final 2011

October 23
Eden Park, Auckland

HEAD-TO-HEAD



Last meeting: Sep 2011
France 17-37 New Zealand
N. Zealand lead 3-2 in World Cup meetings, including 29-9 victory in 1987 final, also in Auckland



NEW ZEALAND

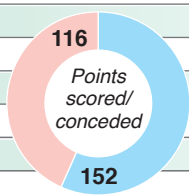


Coach
Graham Henry
Captain
Richie McCaw

WORLD CUP RECORD

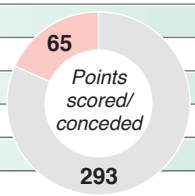
Appearances: 6
Best: **Winner**
(1987)
2007: **Quarter-finals**
Lost to France

36	Won
Lost	6



- Japan	47-21	Group stage	- Tonga	41-10
- Canada	46-19		- Japan	83-7
- N. Zealand	17-37		- France	37-17
- Tonga	14-19		- Canada	79-15
- England	19-12	Quarter-final	- Argentina	33-10
- Wales	9-8	Semi-final	- Australia	20-6

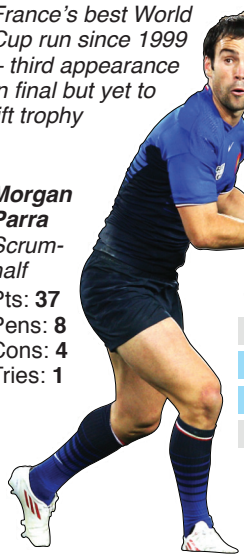
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France's best World Cup run since 1999 – third appearance in final but yet to lift trophy

Morgan Parra
Scrum-half

Pts: 37
Pens: 8
Cons: 4
Tries: 1



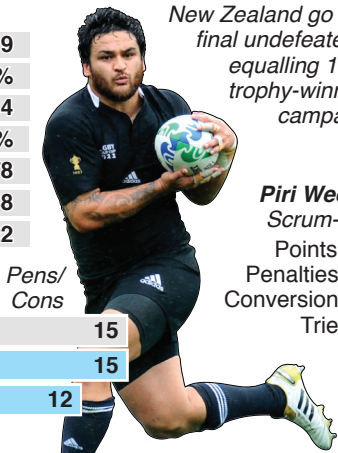
TEAM STATISTICS

15	Tries scored	39
66%	Conversion success	64%
17	Penalties scored	14
50%	Average possession	53%
606	Passes	878
636	Tackles	488
11	Turnovers won	22

New Zealand go into final undefeated – equalling 1987 trophy-winning campaign

Piri Weepu
Scrum-half

Points: 41
Penalties: 11
Conversions: 4
Tries: 0



PLAYER STATISTICS

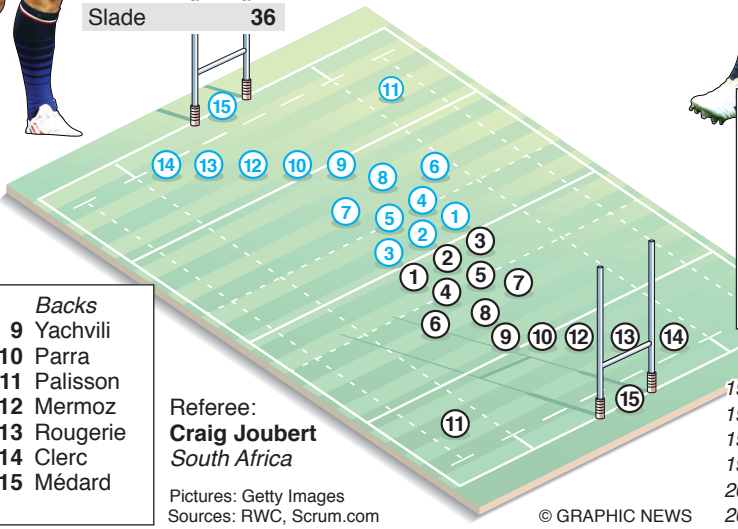
Top scorers	Points	Touchdown	Tries	Kicking	Pens/Cons
Weepu	41	Clerc	6	Weepu	15
Yachvili	39	Dagg	5	Yachvili	15
Parra	37	4 players	4	Parra	12
Slade	36				

PROBABLE LINE-UPS

FRANCE		Backs	
Forwards			
1 Poux		9 Yachvili	
2 Servat		10 Parra	
3 Mas		11 Palisson	
4 Pape		12 Mermoz	
5 Nallet		13 Rougerie	
6 Dusautoir		14 Clerc	
7 Bonnaire		15 Médard	
8 Harinordoquy			

Referee:
Craig Joubert
South Africa

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Sources: RWC, Scrum.com



NEW ZEALAND

Forwards	Backs
1 Woodcock	9 Weepu
2 Mealamu	10 Cruden
3 Franks	11 Kahui
4 Thorn	12 Nonu
5 Whitelock	13 Smith
6 Kaino	14 Jane
7 McCaw	15 Dagg
8 Read	

PREVIOUS FINALS

1987	N. Zealand	29-9	France
1991	Australia	12-6	England
1995	S. Africa	15-12	N. Zealand
1999	Australia	35-12	France
2003	England	20-17	Australia
2007	S. Africa	15-6	England