

Messi targets ultimate record

Barcelona star Lionel Messi is close to breaking Gerd Muller's 40-year old goalscoring record – the elusive forward needs just six more strikes to surpass Muller's 85 goals in one calendar year



2012
LIONEL MESSI
Barcelona,
Argentina

1972
GERD MULLER
Bayern Munich,
West Germany



GOAL BREAKDOWN (As of Nov 21)

50	League	42
5	Domestic cups	19
13	European	11
12	International	13
62	Appearances	60

Messi averages
1.29 goals per game

Muller averaged
1.42 goals per game

CHASING MULLER: Messi's remaining games of 2012

Nov 25	Levante (a)	<i>La Liga</i>
Nov 28	Alaves (h)	<i>Copa del Rey</i>
Dec 1	Athletic Bilbao (h)	<i>La Liga</i>
Dec 5	Benfica (h)	<i>Ch. League</i>

Dec 9	Real Betis (a)	<i>La Liga</i>
Dec 16	Athletic Madrid (h)	<i>La Liga</i>
Dec 22	Real Valladolid (a)	<i>La Liga</i>

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