

World Cup facts and figures

Number of World Cup players by league

England **105**

Italy **81**

Germany **71**

Spain **62**

France **43**

Russia **34**

Others
216

Total
players
703

U.S. **21**

Portugal **22**

Turkey **23**

Mexico **25**



Age gap:

Argentina has oldest average age of 28.4 years, while Ghana has youngest at 24.9

Most caps:

Spain has most experienced squad with average of 60.5 caps per player, while Algeria, with 16.6, has squad with fewest international appearances



Youngest player: Cameroon forward **Fabrice Olinga**, 18

Oldest players: Colombian reserve goalkeeper **Faryd Mondragon**, 43, and defender **Mario Yepes**, 38



Most World Cups: Italy goalkeeper **Gianluigi Buffon** (1) joins German **Lothar Matthaeus** (2) and Mexico's **Antonio Carbajal** (3) in being selected for five World Cups



Germany's **Miroslav Klose** is one goal short of Brazil striker **Ronaldo's** all-time World Cup scoring record of 15



England's **Fraser Forster** is tallest player, standing at 2.01m

