

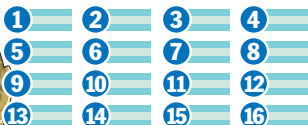
New 48-team format for FIFA World Cup

World football's governing body FIFA has voted to expand the World Cup from 32 to 48 teams for the 2026 edition of the tournament

WORLD CUP 2026

Round of 48

16 groups of 3 teams



Matches: 48

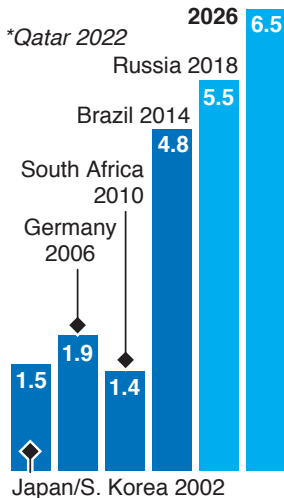
Top two teams in each group progress to knockout rounds

Round of 32	16
Round of 16	8
Quarter-finals	4
Semi-finals	2
Third-place play-off	1
World Cup Final	1

Total 80 matches

Finalists play seven matches, same as 32-team format

PREDICTED REVENUE \$bn



** No figures available*