



**Kylian Mbappé**  
French talisman, 23, scored in 2018 triumph over Croatia to become youngest player to score in World Cup final since **Pele** in 1958



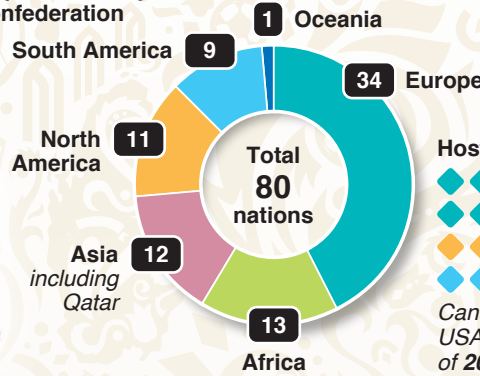
# Qatar 2022: FIFA World Cup

NOVEMBER 20 - DECEMBER 18

Qatar hosts the 22nd FIFA World Cup, marking the first time the showpiece has been held in the Middle East. After over a decade of controversy, Al Bayt Stadium, in Al Khor, is set to stage the opening match on November 20

**PURPLE PRIDE:** Qatar makes FIFA World Cup debut – 80th different nation to compete. **South Korea** finished fourth in 2002, the best performance by an Asian country to date

Appearances by confederation



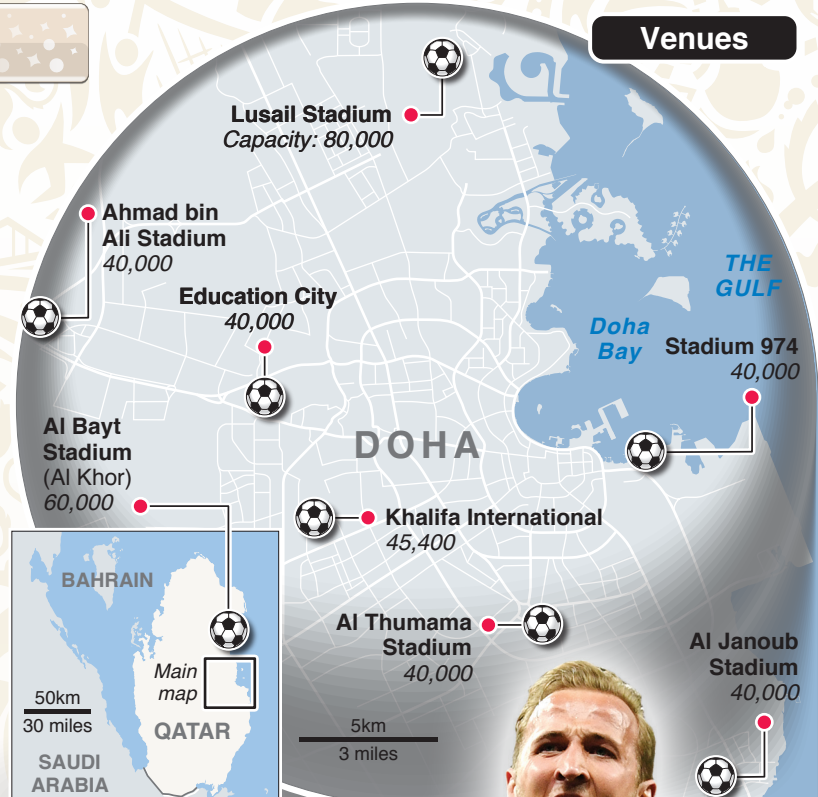
Host nations

Canada, Mexico and USA chosen as hosts of 2026 FIFA World Cup

**WINNING FEELING:** Victory for France would be first successive title win since 1962 – **Les Bleus** kick off campaign against Australia

	Win ratio: 67.0%	Tournament wins: 73
Brazil		
Germany	61.5%	67
Italy	54.2%	45
Argentina	53.1%	43
France	51.5%	34
Spain	47.6%	30
England	42.0%	29
Netherlands	54.0%	27

Reigning European champions Italy failed to qualify for second consecutive World Cup



Top goalscorers:





England's **Harry Kane** (right) – 2018 Golden Boot winner – scored 12 goals in qualifying matches. Surpassed by **Cyle Larin** (inset) with 13 goals, as Canada reached first World Cup since 1986












## Competition schedule












32 teams contest total of 64 matches, played at eight venues, over four weeks

FIFA rank (Aug 2022)





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20	Qatar	<div></div>	Ecuador	Al Bayt				
21	Senegal	<div></div>	Netherlands	Al Thumama				
25	Qatar	<div></div>	Senegal	Al Thumama				
	Netherlands	<div></div>	Ecuador	Khalifa				
29	Ecuador	<div></div>	Senegal	Khalifa				
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



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22	Argentina		Saudi Arabia	Lusail	
	Mexico		Poland	Stadium 974	
26	Poland		S. Arabia	Education City	
	Argentina		Mexico	Lusail	
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




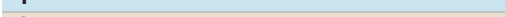



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23	Germany	<div></div>	Japan	Khalifa		
	Spain	<div></div>	Costa Rica	Al Thumama		
27	Japan	<div></div>	Costa Rica	Ahmad bin Ali		
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24	Switzerland		Cameroon	Al Janoub	
	Brazil		Serbia	Lusail	
28	Cameroon		Serbia	Al Janoub	
	Brazil		Switzerland	Stadium 974	
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	USA		Wales		Ahmad bin Ali						
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	France	<div></div>	Australia	Al Janoub				
26	Tunisia	<div></div>	Australia	Al Janoub				
	France	<div></div>	Denmark	Stadium 974				
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23	Morocco		Croatia	Al Bayt		
	Belgium		Canada	Ahmad bin Ali		
27	Belgium		Morocco	Al Thumama		
	Croatia		Canada	Khalifa		
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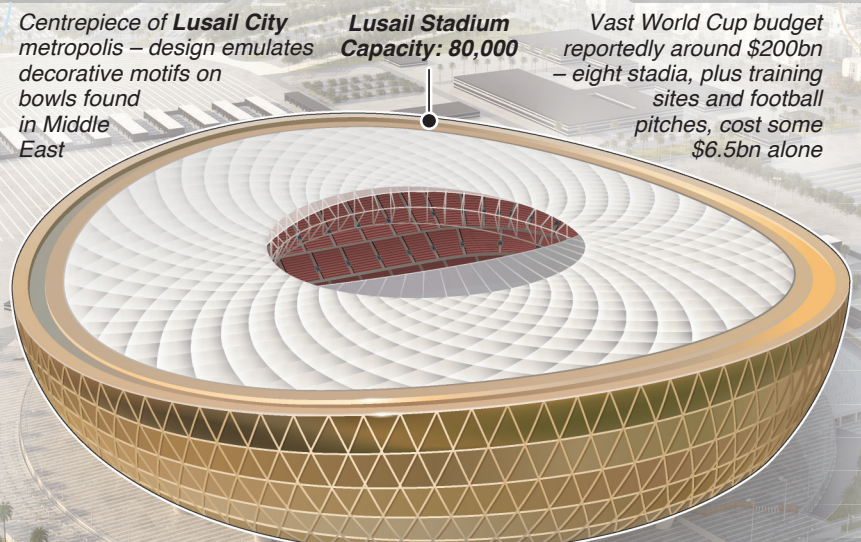
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24	Uruguay		S. Korea	Education City				
	Portugal		Ghana	Stadium 974				
28	South Korea		Ghana	Education City				
	Portugal		Uruguay	Lusail				
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Top two from each group progress to knockout stage

If scores level after 90 minutes, knockout stage matches go into extra-time. Matches remaining level decided on penalties



ROLL CALL OF CHAMPIONS			
Year	Winner	Runner-up	Host nation
1930	Uruguay	Argentina	Uruguay
1934	Italy	Czechoslovakia	Italy
1938	Italy	Hungary	France
1950	Uruguay	Brazil	Brazil
1954	West Germany	Hungary	Switzerland
1958	Brazil	Sweden	Sweden
1962	Brazil	Czechoslovakia	Chile
1966	England	West Germany	England
1970	Brazil	Italy	Mexico
1974	West Germany	Netherlands	West Germany



1978	<b>Argentina</b>	3-1	Netherlands	<i>Argentina</i>
1982	<b>Italy</b>	3-1	West Germany	<i>Spain</i>
1986	<b>Argentina</b>	3-2	West Germany	<i>Mexico</i>
1990	<b>West Germany</b>	1-0	Argentina	<i>Italy</i>
1994	<b>Brazil</b>	0-0 (3-2 pens)	Italy	<i>USA</i>
1998	<b>France</b>	3-0	Brazil	<i>France</i>
2002	<b>Brazil</b>	2-0	Germany	<i>Korea/Japan</i>
2006	<b>Italy</b>	1-1 (5-3 pens)	France	<i>Germany</i>
2010	<b>Spain</b>	1-0	Netherlands	<i>South Africa</i>
2014	<b>Germany</b>	1-0	Argentina	<i>Brazil</i>
2018	<b>France</b>	4-2	Croatia	<i>Russia</i>