

# Pele by numbers

Brazil football legend Pele, arguably the greatest player in the history of the game, has died at age 82

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**FIFA World Cup** titles  
(1958, 62, 70)

*Pele is only player to win FIFA World Cup three times*



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Clubs – **Santos** (1956-74) and **New York Cosmos** (1975-77)

6

Assists at Mexico 1970 – record for single World Cup

10

Famous jersey number, idolised for goalscoring pedigree

12

Club trophies – including six **Serie A** titles with Santos

14

World Cup matches – 12 goals, including two in 1958 final

15

Age on professional debut for Santos, scoring in first match

16

Age on international debut against Argentina, scoring again

17

Becomes youngest player to win World Cup

77

International goals – record equalled by **Neymar** in 2022

92

Reported hat-tricks in official and unofficial games

127

Goals scored for Santos in single calendar year – 1959

1,281

All-time career goals – credited as world record

1,366

All appearances (1956-77)