

Barcelona and Chelsea lose €1bn in transfers

Debt-ridden Barcelona and nouveau riche Chelsea have lost the most money through player transfers in world football since 2014, according to research group CIES Football Observatory

CLUBS GENERATING HIGHEST LOSS (€M)

Balances for non-academy players signed and transferred between 2014-23

Team	Spending	Receipt	Loss
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Barcelona	ESP	1244	613	631
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Chelsea	ENG	1213	730	483
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Arsenal	ENG	584	148	436
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PSG	FRA	825	415	410
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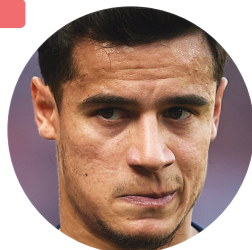
Man Utd	ENG	726	398	328
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AC Milan	ITA	625	327	298
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Aston Villa	ENG	366	110	256
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Everton	ENG	657	406	251
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Barcelona signed **Philippe Coutinho** (inset) for €135m from Liverpool in 2018, before selling to Aston Villa in 2022 for just €20m



CLUBS GENERATING MOST PROFIT (€M)

Team	Spending	Receipt	Profit
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LOSC Lille	FRA	241	627	386
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Ajax	NED	313	630	317
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Salzburg	AUT	84	317	233
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Monaco	FRA	588	806	218
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Leipzig	GER	329	545	216
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Sassuolo	ITA	227	435	208
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Benfica	POR	340	540	200
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Atalanta	ITA	293	493	200
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Lille bought **Victor Osimhen** for €22.4m in 2019, before Napoli swooped one year later in €75m deal