







2026 World Cup Teams 1–48

Favorites to Underdogs · June 11 update · ★ = World Cup debut

The number beside each team is their **FIFA world ranking** — how they stack up against every country in the world, not their spot in the tournament.










POWERHOUSES

FIFA #1–6

1		Argentina	Champions 1978, 1986, 2022	GRP J	4		England	Champions 1966	GRP L
2		Spain	Champions 2010	GRP H	5		Portugal	Semi-finals 1966, 2006	GRP K
3		France	Champions 1998, 2018	GRP I	6		Brazil	Champions ×5	GRP C

CONTENDERS

FIFA #7–15

7		Netherlands	Runner-up 1974, 1978, 2010	GRP F	11		Croatia	Runner-up 2018	GRP L
8		Morocco	Semi-finals 2022	GRP C	13		Colombia	Quarters 2014	GRP K
9		Belgium	Semi-finals 2018	GRP G	14		Senegal	Quarters 2002	GRP I
10		Germany	Champions 1954, 1974, 1990, 2014	GRP E	15		Mexico	Quarters 1970, 1986	GRP A
					16		United States ★	Host nation	GRP D

DARK HORSES

FIFA #17–44

17		Uruguay	Champions 1930, 1950	GRP H	30		Canada	Host nation	GRP B
18		Japan	R16 four times	GRP F	33		Ivory Coast	Group stage	GRP E
19		Switzerland	Quarters 1934, 1938, 1954	GRP B	36		Algeria	R16 2014	GRP J
21		Iran	Group stage	GRP G	39		Sweden	Runner-up 1958	GRP F
23		Austria	3rd place 1954	GRP J	40		Tunisia	Group stage	GRP F
24		Ecuador	R16 2006	GRP E	41		Czechia	Runner-up 1934, 1962	GRP A
25		South Korea	Semi-finals 2002	GRP A	42		Turkey	3rd place 2002	GRP D
26		Australia	R16 2006, 2022	GRP D	44		Norway	R16 1994, 1998	GRP I
29		Egypt	R16 1934	GRP G					

UNDERDOGS

FIFA #47–65

47		Scotland	Group stage	GRP C
51		DR Congo	Group stage 1974	GRP K
52		Bosnia & Herz.	Group stage 2014	GRP B
53		Panama	Group stage 2018	GRP L
57		Saudi Arabia	R16 1994	GRP H

60		South Africa	Group stage	GRP A
61		Iraq	Group stage 1986	GRP I
62		Uzbekistan ★	DEBUT First appearance!	GRP K
64		Paraguay	Quarters 2010	GRP D
65		Ghana	Quarters 2010	GRP L

GIANT KILLERS — WATCH OUT!

FIFA # 68–95

68		Qatar	Group stage 2022	GRP B
70		Cape Verde ★	DEBUT First appearance!	GRP H
81		Curaçao ★	DEBUT First appearance!	GRP E

83		Haiti	Group stage 1974	GRP C
88		Jordan ★	DEBUT First appearance!	GRP J
95		New Zealand	Group stage	GRP G

■ First-ever World Cup appearance
 ■ USA (host nation)
 ★ = debut nation · ★ = host