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Poland

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

UEFA European Under-21 Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/09/2010	QR (GS)	Poland - Spain	0-1	Grodzisk Wielkopolski	Canales 85
04/09/2009	QR (GS)	Spain - Poland	2-0	Oviedo	Joselú 7, Parejo 58

UEFA European Under-21 Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
16/11/2007	QR (GS)	Spain - Poland	3-0	Ponferrada	Glik 41 (og), Bojan Krkić 90+3, Diego Capel 90+4
12/10/2007	QR (GS)	Poland - Spain	0-2	Wloclawek	Jurado 69, Bojan Krkić 90+2

UEFA European Under-21 Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
11/04/1984	QF	Spain - Poland	4-1 agg: 6-3	Zaragoza	Michel 73, Roberto 75, Begiristain 86, Salinas 89; Warzycha 90
21/03/1984	QF	Poland - Spain	2-2	Opole	Furtok 28, Dziekanowski 83; Simon 32, Roberto 79

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Total																		
Spain	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	6	5	1	0	14	3
Poland	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	6	0	1	5	3	14

Match background

Spain will hope their UEFA European Under-21 Championship dominance against Poland continues as the sides conclude their Group A campaigns in Bologna.

- Poland, however, lead the way in the section on six points after wins against Belgium (3-2) and hosts Italy (1-0). They hold a three-point cushion over both Italy and Spain, who recovered from an opening 3-1 defeat by Italy to defeat Belgium 2-1 in their second game with a late winner from substitute Pablo Fornals.
- A point or more would therefore ensure Poland finish first in the group, and reach the semi-finals for the first time.
- Spain need to win and hope Italy fail to beat Belgium in the other matchday three fixture to be sure of finishing first; should Italy and Spain both win, leaving the pair level with Poland on six points, final placings will be determined by results of the matches between those three countries.

Previous meetings

- Spain's record in six competitive U21 matches against Poland is five wins and a draw, with 14 goals scored and only three conceded.
- Spain have won the last five matches between the sides – and kept clean sheets in the last four – most recently home (2-0) and away (1-0) in qualifying for the 2011 final tournament, which they won in Denmark.
- La Rojita also reached the 2009 final tournament, helped by two wins against Poland in autumn 2007; 2-0 away and 3-0 at home.
- Poland's last competitive goal against Spain came more than 35 years ago, in a 4-1 second-leg defeat in the 1984 quarter-finals in Zaragoza. The first leg of that tie had finished 2-2, the last time Poland avoided defeat in a U21 EURO game against Spain, who went on to finish runners-up to England in that year's competition.
- Kamil Grabara and Sebastian Szymański were in the Poland team beaten 2-1 by Spain in the European U17 Championship qualifying round in October 2015; Szymański gave Poland an early lead.
- A Poland team featuring Paweł Bochniewicz and Dawid Kownacki suffered a 1-0 loss to Spain in the 2013 U17 EURO qualifying round.

Form guide

Spain

- This is Spain's seventh appearance in the U21 final tournament since 1998, and a fifth in the competition's last six editions. They have only once failed to get past the group stage in their six previous participations, in 2009, and have reached the final in each of their last three, lifting the trophy in 2011 and 2013.
- Spain were also champions in 1986, and runners-up in 1984 and 1996.
- This time Spain qualified by finishing top of Group 2, winning nine of their ten qualifying fixtures with 31 goals scored and ten conceded.
- Defeat by Germany in the 2017 final ended Spain's ten-match unbeaten run in competitive U21 matches (W7 D3); the opening loss to Italy at these finals was only their third in their last 23 European U21 Championship games (W17 D3), the other in qualification at home to Northern Ireland on 11 September 2018 (1-2).
- Spain have won nine of their last ten group games at the finals; the opening defeat by Italy was their first in the group stage since a 2-0 reverse to England on 18 June 2009.
- Coach Luis de la Fuente, who succeeded Albert Celades in July 2018, led Spain to the 2015 UEFA European Under-19 Championship title in Greece with a squad including Antonio Sivera, Unai Simón, Jorge Meré, Mikel Merino, Alfonso Pedraza, Dani Ceballos and Borja Mayoral.

Poland

- Poland are in the final tournament for the second time; two years ago, as hosts, they finished fourth in Group A behind England, Slovakia and Sweden having picked up one point from their three matches.
- That was the Poles' first appearance in the U21 finals in the competition's current guise; they had previously reached the quarter-finals in 1994, losing 5-1 over two legs against Portugal (1-3 home, 0-2 away).
- Those 1994 matches marked Poland's fifth appearance in the last eight; they were also eliminated at that stage in 1982, 1984, 1986 and 1992.
- Although undefeated in their qualifying section, Poland had to be content with second place in Group 3 behind Denmark. The Poles took 22 points from their ten matches – one less than the Danes – winning six of their fixtures and drawing the other four. They then eliminated Portugal in the play-offs, recovering from a first-leg home defeat (0-1) to win 3-1 away.

- Poland had never won a group game in the final tournament before matchday one; their record is now W2 D1 L2.

Links and trivia

- Poland captain Dawid Kownacki was the top scorer in the qualifying competition, with 11 goals – ten in the group stage, including six penalties, and another in the play-offs.
- Fabián Ruiz came on as a substitute in Spain's 4-1 UEFA EURO 2020 qualifying win away to the Faroe Islands on 7 June and started the 3-0 defeat of Sweden in Madrid three days later. Mikel Oyarzabal came on against Sweden to score Spain's third goal, his first at senior international level.

Squad list

Spain

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
1	Antonio Sivera	11/08/1996	22	Alavés	-	3	0	1	0	4	-
13	Unai Simón	11/06/1997	22	Athletic	-	6	0	1	0	7	-
23	Daniel Martín	08/07/1998	20	Sporting Gijón	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
Defenders											
2	Jesús Vallejo	05/01/1997	22	Real Madrid	*	5	0	2	0	17	-
3	Aarón Martín	22/04/1997	22	Mainz	-	6	0	1	0	7	-
4	Jorge Meré	17/04/1997	22	Köln	-	8	0	2	0	23	1
5	Unai Nuñez	30/01/1997	22	Athletic	-	7	0	0	0	7	-
15	Martín Aguirregabiria	10/05/1996	23	Alavés	-	0	0	2	0	2	-
16	Pol Lirola	13/08/1997	21	Sassuolo	-	1	0	0	0	1	-
20	Junior Firpo	10/05/1996	23	Betis	*	1	0	1	0	2	-
Midfielders											
6	Fabián Ruiz	03/04/1996	23	Napoli	-	8	3	1	0	9	3
7	Carlos Soler	02/01/1997	22	Valencia	*	10	2	2	0	13	2
8	Mikel Merino	22/06/1996	23	Real Sociedad	*	5	1	2	0	13	1
10	Dani Ceballos	07/08/1996	22	Real Madrid	-	6	4	2	1	20	7
11	Mikel Oyarzabal	21/04/1997	22	Real Sociedad	-	10	5	2	0	15	5
12	Manu Vallejo	14/02/1997	22	Cádiz	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
14	Igor Zubeldia	30/03/1997	22	Real Sociedad	-	2	0	1	0	3	-
17	Alfonso Pedraza	09/04/1996	23	Villarreal	-	6	0	1	0	8	-
21	Marc Roca	26/11/1996	22	Espanyol	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
22	Pablo Fornals	22/02/1996	23	Villarreal	-	8	0	2	1	10	1
Forwards											
9	Borja Mayoral	05/04/1997	22	Levante	-	10	8	2	0	21	9
18	Rafa Mir	18/06/1997	22	Las Palmas	-	4	5	2	0	6	5
19	Dani Olmo	07/05/1998	21	Dinamo Zagreb	*	2	0	1	1	3	1
Coach											
-	Luis de la Fuente	21/06/1961	58		-	4	0	2	0	6	-

Poland

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						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
1	Kamil Grabara	08/01/1999	20	AGF	*	8	0	2	0	10	-
12	Mateusz Lis	27/02/1997	22	Wisła Kraków	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
22	Tomasz Loska	26/01/1996	23	Górnik Zabrze	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
Defenders											
3	Kamil Pestka	22/08/1998	20	Chrobry	-	7	0	2	0	9	-
4	Mateusz Wieteska	11/02/1997	22	Legia	-	12	2	2	0	14	2
6	Krzysztof Bielik	04/01/1998	21	Charlton	*	2	1	2	2	4	3
15	Dominik Jończy	17/05/1997	22	Podbeskidzie	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
20	Robert Gumny	04/06/1998	21	Lech	-	7	0	0	0	7	-
Midfielders											
2	Przemysław Płacheta	23/03/1998	21	Pogon Siedlce	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
5	Paweł Bochniewicz	30/01/1996	23	Górnik Zabrze	-	10	0	2	0	12	-
7	Szymon Żurkowski	25/09/1997	21	Górnik Zabrze	-	9	1	2	1	11	2
8	Jakub Piotrowski	04/10/1997	21	Genk	-	8	0	0	0	8	-
10	Sebastian Szymański	10/05/1999	20	Dinamo Moskwa	-	11	1	2	1	13	2
13	Mateusz Wdowiak	28/08/1996	22	Cracovia	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
16	Patryk Dzięczek	25/03/1998	21	Piast	*	9	0	2	0	11	-
17	Kamil Józwiak	22/04/1998	21	Lech	*	7	0	1	0	8	-
19	Filip Jagiełło	08/08/1997	21	Zagłębie	-	6	0	2	0	8	-
21	Karol Fila	13/06/1998	21	Lechia	-	0	0	2	0	2	-
23	Konrad Michalak	19/09/1997	21	Lechia	-	10	3	2	0	12	3
Forwards											
9	Dawid Kownacki	14/03/1997	22	Düsseldorf	S	11	11	2	0	15	12
11	Karol Świdorski	23/01/1997	22	PAOK	-	8	0	0	0	8	-
14	Adam Buksa	12/07/1996	22	Pogoń	*	0	0	1	0	1	-
18	Paweł Tomczyk	04/05/1998	21	Piast	-	7	3	0	0	7	3
Coach											
-	Czesław Michniewicz	12/02/1970	49		-	12	0	2	0	14	-

Head coach

Luis de la Fuente

Date of birth: 21 June 1961

Nationality: Spanish

Playing career: Athletic Club (twice), Sevilla, Alavés

Coaching career: Portugalete, Aurrerá, Athletic Club B (twice), Alavés, Spain U19, Spain U21

- Full-back De la Fuente came through the famous Ledesma youth set-up in Bilbao, graduating to the Athletic first team in 1981. Went on to win two league titles, including the club's most recent in 1984, and was also part of the side that won the Copa del Rey the same year to complete a domestic double.
- Departed for Sevilla in 1987, spending four years with the Andalusian outfit before rejoining Athletic. Finished his playing career at Alavés in 1994.
- After spells at lower-level clubs Portugalete and Aurrerá, De la Fuente was given the chance to take charge of Athletic Club's reserve side on two separate occasions. He also had a brief spell at Alavés in 2011 before joining the Spain staff in 2013, initially as Under-19 coach.
- He led a side including Jorge Meré, Dani Ceballos and Borja Mayoral to victory in the 2015 UEFA Under-19 European Championship in Greece, defeating Russia 2-0 in the final.
- De la Fuente stepped up to become U21 coach in July 2018, midway through qualifying for the 2019 finals, when Albert Celades left the post to join Julen Lopetegui at Real Madrid.

Czesław Michniewicz

Date of birth: 12 February 1970

Nationality: Polish

Playing career: Bałtyk Gdynia, Polonia Gdańsk, Amica Wronki

Coaching career: Lech Poznań, Zagłębie Lubin, Arka Gdynia, Widzew Łódź, Jagiellonia Białystok, Polonia Warszawa, Podbeskidzie Bielsko-Biała, Pogoń Szczecin, Nieciecza, Poland U21

- A former goalkeeper, Michniewicz spent his early career in Poland's lower leagues before stepping up to the Ekstraklasa with Amica Wronki in his mid-20s. After five years at the club, who he represented in successive European campaigns including a notable 2000 meeting with Atlético Madrid, he retired aged 31.
- Appointed coach of Lech Poznań in September 2003, he proved an instant hit, guiding the club to the Polish Cup and Super Cup; left his post at the end of the 2005/06 campaign.
- Took over at Zagłębie Lubin in October 2006 and again enjoyed early success, ending his first campaign with the Polish championship – only the club's second league title – and adding the domestic Super Cup at the start of the following campaign.
- Relieved of his duties in autumn 2007, he went on to have short spells at a number of clubs, notably rescuing Podbeskidzie Bielsko-Biała from relegation in 2012/13. Three years later, he led Pogoń Szczecin into sixth place – their best position for many years.
- Took the Poland Under-21 job in July 2017, after they had hosted the final tournament, and guided them into the 2019 finals with a play-off win against Portugal – the first time Poland had successfully negotiated qualifying since 1994.

Match officials

Referee	Bobby Madden (SCO)
Assistant referees	Francis Connor (SCO) , David Roome (SCO)
Video Assistant Referee	Jochem Kamphuis (NED)
Assistant Video Assistant Referee	Bas Nijhuis (NED)
Fourth official	Georgi Kabakov (BUL)
UEFA Delegate	Myrsini Psarropoulou (GRE)
UEFA Referee observer	Vladimir Sajn (SVN)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	Under-21 matches	UEFA matches
Bobby Madden	25/10/1978	5	57

Bobby Madden

Referee since: 2002

First division: 2010

FIFA badge: 2010

Tournaments: 2017 FIFA U-17 World Cup, 2017 UEFA European Under-21 Championship

Finals

N/A

UEFA European Under-21 Championship matches featuring teams from the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
11/10/2012	U21	PO	Spain	Denmark	5-0	Burgos

Other matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
11/10/2012	U21	PO	Spain	Denmark	5-0	Burgos
25/10/2012	UEL	GS	Club Atlético de Madrid	A. Académica de Coimbra	2-1	Madrid
06/11/2014	UEL	GS	Sevilla FC	R. Standard de Liège	3-1	Seville
19/02/2015	UEL	R32	Villarreal CF	FC Salzburg	2-1	Villarreal
10/12/2015	UEL	GS	KKS Lech Poznań	FC Basel 1893	0-1	Poznan
25/02/2016	UEL	R32	Molde FK	Sevilla FC	1-0	Molde
02/11/2017	UEL	GS	SK Slavia Praha	Villarreal CF	0-2	Prague
15/02/2018	UEL	R32	Real Sociedad de Fútbol	FC Salzburg	2-2	San Sebastian
23/08/2018	UEL	PO	SK Sigma Olomouc	Sevilla FC	0-1	Olomouc

Competition facts

Under-21 historical statistics (competitive matches)

Champions (hosts)

2017: Germany 1-0 Spain (Poland)
2015: Sweden 0-0 Portugal, aet, 4-3 pens (Czech Republic)
2013: Spain 4-2 Italy (Israel)
2011: Spain 2-0 Switzerland (Denmark)
2009: Germany 4-0 England (Sweden)
2007: Netherlands 4-1 Serbia (Netherlands)
2006: Netherlands 3-0 Ukraine (Portugal)
2004: Italy 3-0 Serbia and Montenegro (Germany)
2002: Czech Republic 0-0 France, aet, 3-1 pens (Switzerland)
2000: Italy 2-1 Czech Republic (Slovakia)
1998: Spain 1-0 Greece (Romania)
1996: Italy 1-1 Spain, aet, 4-2 pens (Spain)
1994: Italy 1-0 Portugal, aet (France)
1992 Italy 2-1 Sweden (agg; 2-0, 0-1)
1990 USSR 7-3 Yugoslavia (agg; 4-2, 3-1)
1988 France 3-0 Greece (agg; 0-0, 3-0)
1986 Spain 3-3 Italy (agg; 1-2, 2-1, 3-0 pens)
1984 England 3-0 Spain (agg; 1-0, 2-0)
1982 England 5-4 West Germany (agg; 3-1, 2-3)
1980 USSR 1-0 East Germany (agg; 0-0, 1-0)
1978 Yugoslavia 5-4 East Germany (agg; 1-0, 4-4)

Finals contested up to, and including 1992, were over two legs

Final statistics

- In 2007 the Netherlands became the first, and so far only, team to win the competition on home territory since the switch to a new format in 1994. Until then the final had been decided on a two-legged basis. Spain came closest in 1996, losing the final on penalties to Italy.
- Since the 1992-94 change Italy have won four finals, the 2013 loss to Spain their first final reverse. The only other sides to have won it more than once are Spain (1998, 2011, 2013), Germany (2009, 2017) and the Netherlands (2006, 2007).
- The 2013 edition was the highest-scoring single-match final as Thiago Alcántara's hat-trick helped Spain defeat Italy 4-2 in Jerusalem.
- Seven red cards have been issued in single-match finals, most recently for Serbia's Aleksandar Kolarov in 2007.
- Thiago's 2013 hat-trick was the first since 1994's move to a one-off game; Andrea Pirlo (Italy 2000), Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (Netherlands 2006) and Sandro Wagner (Germany 2009) have all scored twice in a one-off match. Prior to that Gary Owen (England 1982), Franck Sauzée (France 1988) and Andrei Sidelnikov (USSR 1990) had all scored twice in one leg of a final.
- Vahid Halilhodžić (for Yugoslavia v East Germany 1978) and Pierre Littbarski (for West Germany v England 1982) are the other players to have scored a final hat-trick.
- Since the single-match finals began three have ended in penalty shoot-outs, nine-man Italy triumphing 4-2 against Spain in 1996. The Czech Republic then prevailed 3-1 over France in 2002 and Sweden 4-3 against Portugal in 2015 following the competition's only two goalless finals.
- Only the 1994 final has been decided in extra time, substitute Pierluigi Orlandini winning it for Italy against Portugal with the only goal in the 97th minute.
- Ten players have won the European U21 title twice: Danny Thomas (England 1982, 1984), Dario Marcolin and Roberto Muzzi (Italy 1992, 1994), Fabio Cannavaro and Christian Panucci (Italy 1994, 1996), Kenneth Vermeer, Arnold Kruiswijk, Daniël de Ridder, Ron Vlaar and Haris Medunjanin (Netherlands 2006, 2007) and David de Gea, Thiago Alcántara, Martín Montoya, Iker Muniain and Diego Mariño (Spain 2011, 2013).
- The fulcrum of Italy's 2006 FIFA World Cup-winning squad had also been involved in U21 final victories: Cannavaro (1994 and 1996), Filippo Inzaghi (1994), Francesco Totti and Alessandro Nesta (1996), Andrea Pirlo and Gennaro Gattuso (2000) and Marco Amelia, Daniele De Rossi, Alberto Gilardino and Andrea Barzagli (2004).

- Germany's victorious 2014 World Cup squad included six members of the squad that lifted the 2009 U21 title in Sweden: Manuel Neuer, Benedikt Höwedes, Mats Hummels, Jérôme Boateng, Sami Khedira and Mesut Özil.
- Laurent Blanc was the first player to achieve the treble of a U21 title (1988), a FIFA World Cup winners' medal (1998) and a UEFA European Championship victory (2000). Spain duo Juan Mata and Javi Martínez were the next players to do so after glory at the 2010 World Cup, U21s in Denmark in 2011 and UEFA EURO 2012.

Leading scorers

All time (including qualifying)

Lampros Choutos (Greece) 15
Tomáš Pekhart (Czech Republic) 15
Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (Netherlands) 14
Roy Makaay (Netherlands) 14

All time (final tournaments)

Marcus Berg (Sweden) 7
Vahid Halilhodžić (Yugoslavia) 6
Pierre Littbarski (West Germany) 6
Adrian López (Spain) 5
Saúl Ñíguez (Spain) 5

Finals top scorers

2017: Saúl Ñíguez (Spain) 5
2015: Jan Kliment (Czech Republic) 3
2013: Álvaro Morata (Spain) 4
2011: Adrián (Spain) 5
2009: Marcus Berg (Sweden) 7
2007: Maceo Rigters (Netherlands) 4
2006: Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (Netherlands) 4
2004: Alberto Gilardino (Italy), Johan Elmander (Sweden) 4
2002: Massimo Maccarone (Italy) 3
2000: David Jarolím (Czech Republic), Igor Tudor (Croatia), Lukáš Došek (Czech Republic) 2
1998: Steffen Iversen (Norway), Nikos Liberopoulos (Greece) 3
1996: Raúl González (Spain) 3
1994: João Vieira Pinto (Portugal) 3
1992: Renato Buso (Italy) 3
1990: Davor Šuker (Yugoslavia), Andrei Sidelnikov (USSR) 3
1988: Aris Karasavvidis (Greece) 5
1986: Gianluca Vialli (Italy) 4
1984: Mark Hateley (England) 6
1982: Pierre Littbarski (West Germany) 6
1980: Ramaz Shengelia (USSR) 3
1978: Vahid Halilhodžić (Yugoslavia) 6

Leading scorers per U21 campaign (qualifying to final)

2017: Patrik Schick (Czech Republic) 11
2015: Saido Berahino (England) 10
2013: Rodrigo (Spain) 12
2011: Tomáš Pekhart (Czech Republic) 10
2009: Robert Acquafresca (Italy) 8
2007: Nikita Bazhenov (Russia), Igor Denisov (Russia), Dragan Mrdja (Serbia), Maceo Rigters (Netherlands), Theo Walcott (England) 4
2006: Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (Netherlands) 14
2004: Alberto Gilardino (Italy) 11
2002: Ricardo Cabanas (Switzerland) 9
2000: Lampros Choutos (Greece) 15
1998: Steffen Iversen (Norway) 9
1996: Roy Makaay (Netherlands), Ole Gunnar Solskjær (Norway) 10
1994: Toni (Portugal) 8
1992: Peter Møller (Denmark) 9
1990: Igor Kolyvanov (USSR) 9
1988: Aristidis Karasavidis (Greece) 5

1986: Gianluca Vialli (Italy) 4
1984: Mark Hateley (England) 6
1982: Pierre Littbarski (West Germany) 6
1980: Ramaz Shengelia (USSR) 3
1978: Vahid Halilhodžić (Yugoslavia) 6

Biggest win:

All-time

14-0: Spain v San Marino, 08/02/05
2006 qualifying group stage, Santo Domingo, El Ejido

Final tournament

6-0: England v Turkey, 29/05/00
Group stage, Tehelné Pole Stadium, Bratislava

Final

4-0: Germany v England, 29/06/09
Malmö New Stadium, Malmö, Sweden

Most goals in a game:

14: Spain 14-0 San Marino, 08/02/05
2006 qualifying group stage, Santo Domingo, El Ejido

Final tournament

7: Czech Republic 4-3 Croatia, 01/06/00
Group stage, Mestský Stadium, Trenčín, Slovakia

Final

8: Yugoslavia 4-4 East Germany, 31/05/78
(second leg, Yugoslavia won 5-4 on agg), Mostar, Yugoslavia

Record attendance:

42,000: Turkey 1-1 Germany, 18/11/03
2004 qualifying play-off, Şükrü Saracoğlu Stadium, Istanbul

Final tournament

35,500: Italy 1-1 Spain (Italy won 4-2 on pens) 31/05/96
Final, Olímpico de Montjuïc, Barcelona

Match-by-match lineups

Spain

Under-21 - Qualifying round

(05/09/2017)

Estonia 0-1 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Soler 65

Spain: Sivera, Carmona, Aarón Martín, Unai Nuñez, Jorge Meré, Rodri, Soler, Merino, Mayoral (77 Gual), Ceballos, Oyarzabal (37 Pedraza)

(10/10/2017)

Slovakia 1-4 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Merino 26, 0-2 Oyarzabal 49, 0-3 Rodri 56, 1-3 Vavro 59, 1-4 Ceballos 69

Spain: Unai Simón, Maffeo, Aarón Martín, Jorge Meré (43 Unai Nuñez), Vallejo, Rodri, Soler, Merino (89 Fabián Ruiz), Mayoral, Ceballos, Oyarzabal (76 Fornals)

(09/11/2017)

Spain 1-0 Iceland

Goals: 1-0 Fabián Ruiz 36

Spain: Unai Simón, Maffeo, Aarón Martín, Unai Nuñez, Vallejo, Rodri, Soler, Fabián Ruiz (77 Pedraza), Mayoral (82 Gual), Ceballos, Oyarzabal (91 Fornals)

(14/11/2017)

Spain 5-1 Slovakia

Goals: 0-1 Fabián Ruiz 23 (og) , 1-1 Ceballos 38, 2-1 Córdoba 53, 3-1 Ceballos 55, 4-1 Ceballos 61, 5-1 Mayoral 86

Spain: Unai Simón, Maffeo, Aarón Martín (70 Lato), Jorge Meré, Vallejo, Rodri, Soler, Fabián Ruiz, Mayoral, Ceballos (83 Fornals), Oyarzabal (46 Córdoba)

(22/03/2018)

Northern Ireland 3-5 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Oyarzabal 15, 1-1 Donnelly 30 (P) , 1-2 Oyarzabal 44, 2-2 Donnelly 45+2, 2-3 Mayoral 47, 3-3 Lavery 68, 3-4 Mayoral 75, 3-5 Mayoral 84

Spain: Sivera, Unai Nuñez, Aarón Martín, Jorge Meré, Fabián Ruiz, Merino, Soler, Fornals (76 Traoré), Mayoral (87 Carlos Fernández), Ceballos, Oyarzabal (89 Lato)

(27/03/2018)

Spain 3-1 Estonia

Goals: 1-0 Fabián Ruiz 8, 2-0 Mayoral 37, 3-0 Mayoral 51, 3-1 Sinyavskiy 59

Spain: Soriano, Maffeo, Lato, Vallejo, Merino, García, Soler (87 Traoré), Fabián Ruiz, Mayoral, Ceballos, Oyarzabal (57 Córdoba)

(06/09/2018)

Spain 3-0 Albania

Goals: 1-0 Oyarzabal 5, 2-0 Mayoral 56, 3-0 Rafa Mir 90+2

Spain: Unai Simón, Maffeo, Junior Firpo, Jorge Meré, Unai Nuñez, Zubeldia, Soler (80 Méndez), Merino, Mayoral (75 Rafa Mir), Fornals, Oyarzabal (66 Pedraza)

(11/09/2018)

Spain 1-2 Northern Ireland

Goals: 0-1 Lavery 4, 0-2 Donnelly 8 (P) , 1-2 Rafa Mir 90+2

Spain: Sivera, Francis, Pedraza, Jorge Meré, Unai Nuñez, Marc Roca, Soler (77 Cheikh), Fabián Ruiz (50 Rafa Mir), Mayoral, Fornals (68 Méndez), Oyarzabal

(11/10/2018)

Albania 0-1 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Rafa Mir 84

Spain: Unai Simón, Lirola, Aarón Martín, Unai Nuñez, Jorge Meré, Zubeldia, Soler, Fabián Ruiz (60 Dani Olmo), Mayoral (66 Rafa Mir), Fornals (54 Pedraza), Oyarzabal

(16/10/2018)

Iceland 2-7 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Oyarzabal 24 (P) , 0-2 Rafa Mir 25, 0-3 Rafa Mir 40, 1-3 Þorsteinsson 41, 1-4 Gunnarsson 45+2 (og) , 1-5 Soler 54, 2-5 Karlsson 58, 2-6 Mayoral 87, 2-7 Fabián Ruiz 90

Spain: Unai Simón, Palencia, Angeliño, Vallejo, Jorge Meré, Marc Roca, Soler, Fabián Ruiz, Rafa Mir (67 Mayoral), Oyarzabal (73 Pedraza), Dani Olmo (58 Fornals)

Group stage – final tournament

Group A

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Poland	2	2	0	0	4	2	6
Italy	2	1	0	1	3	2	3
Spain	2	1	0	1	3	4	3
Belgium	2	0	0	2	3	5	0

Matchday 1 (16/06/2019)

Italy 3-1 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Ceballos 9, 1-1 Chiesa 36, 2-1 Chiesa 64, 3-1 Pellegrini 82 (P)

Spain: Unai Simón, Vallejo, Aarón Martín, Jorge Meré, Fabián Ruiz (46 Merino), Soler, Mayoral, Ceballos, Oyarzabal (85 Rafa Mir), Zubeldia (67 Fornals), Martín Aguirregabiria

Matchday 2 (19/06/2019)

Spain 2-1 Belgium

Goals: 1-0 Dani Olmo 7, 1-1 Bornauw 24, 2-1 Fornals 89

Spain: Sivera, Vallejo, Jorge Meré, Soler (46 Fornals), Merino, Mayoral (69 Rafa Mir), Ceballos, Oyarzabal (69 Pedraza), Martín Aguirregabiria, Dani Olmo, Junior Firpo

Matchday 3 (22/06/2019)

Spain-Poland

Poland

Under-21 - Qualifying round

(01/09/2017)

Georgia 0-3 Poland

Goals: 0-1 Kownacki 58 (P) , 0-2 Kownacki 65, 0-3 Kapustka 71

Poland: Drągowski, Wieteska, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski, Piotrowski, Kownacki, Szymański (88 Tomczyk), Bartosz, Kapustka (85 Rasak), Zawada (65 Świdorski), Gumny

(06/10/2017)

Poland 3-3 Finland

Goals: 1-0 Kownacki 7, 1-1 Dahlström 8, 1-2 Kairinen 61, 2-2 Tomczyk 68, 3-2 Kownacki 71 (P) , 3-3 Jensen 76

Poland: Drągowski, Bednarek, Wieteska (46 Michalak), Stolarski, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski, Piotrowski (59 Tomczyk), Kownacki, Szymański, Kapustka (78 Świdorski), Gumny

(10/10/2017)

Lithuania 0-2 Poland

Goals: 0-1 Tomczyk 62, 0-2 Michalak 80

Poland: Loska, Wieteska, Stolarski, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski (88 Kopacz), Piotrowski, Kownacki, Świdorski (60 Tomczyk), Dziczek, Kapustka (73 Michalak), Gumny

(10/11/2017)

Faroe Islands 2-2 Poland

Goals: 0-1 Kownacki 35 (P) , 1-1 M. Olsen 52 (P) , 2-1 B. Petersen 80, 2-2 Bartosz 90+4

Poland: Loska, Wieteska, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski (75 Tomczyk), Piotrowski (62 Michalak), Kownacki, Świdorski (62 Szymański), Bartosz, Dziczek, Kapustka, Gumny

(14/11/2017)

Poland 3-1 Denmark

Goals: 1-0 Michalak 15, 2-0 Tomczyk 24, 3-0 Żurkowski 74, 3-1 Laursen 90+1

Poland: Grabara, Bednarek, Wieteska, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski (90 Piotrowski), Szymański (83 Kopacz), Bartosz, Dziczek, Tomczyk (71 Zawada), Gumny, Michalak

(27/03/2018)

Poland 1-0 Lithuania

Goals: 1-0 Kownacki 78

Poland: Grabara, Wieteska, Pestka, Bochniewicz, Piotrowski, Kownacki, Szymański (67 Józwiak), Bartosz (46 Michalak), Dzikczek, Kapustka, Jagiełło (63 Świdzski)

(07/09/2018)

Poland 1-1 Faroe Islands

Goals: 0-1 J. Thomsen 16, 1-1 Kownacki 72 (P)

Poland: Grabara, Dankowski (46 Józwiak), Wieteska, Pestka, Bochniewicz, Piotrowski, Kownacki, Dzikczek (44 Szymański), Kapustka, Tomczyk (46 Świdzski), Jagiełło

(11/09/2018)

Finland 1-3 Poland

Goals: 0-1 Wieteska 66, 1-1 Lappalainen 68, 1-2 Wieteska 74, 1-3 Kownacki 89 (P)

Poland: Grabara, Wieteska, Pestka, Bochniewicz, Józwiak, Piotrowski, Kownacki (94 Tomczyk), Szymański (58 Michalak), Łabojko, Jagiełło (60 Kapustka), Stolarski

(12/10/2018)

Denmark 1-1 Poland

Goals: 1-0 Billing 40, 1-1 Kownacki 43 (P)

Poland: Grabara, Wieteska, Pestka, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski (89 Ambrosiewicz), Kownacki, Szymański, Dzikczek, Kapustka, Stolarski, Michalak (77 Józwiak)

(16/10/2018)

Poland 3-0 Georgia

Goals: 1-0 Mikeltadze 52 (og) , 2-0 Michalak 74, 3-0 Kownacki 90

Poland: Grabara, Wieteska, Pestka, Bochniewicz, Żurkowski (89 Ambrosiewicz), Kownacki, Szymański, Dzikczek, Kapustka (68 Michalak), Stolarski, Józwiak (46 Jagiełło)

Play-off

(16/11/2018)

Poland 0-1 Portugal

Goals: 0-1 Diogo Jota 30

Poland: Grabara, Bielik, Wieteska, Pestka, Żurkowski, Kownacki (76 Świdzski), Szymański (72 Jagiełło), Gumny, Dzikczek, Kapustka, Michalak (67 Józwiak)

(20/11/2018)

Portugal 1-3 Poland (agg: 2-3)

Goals: 0-1 Bielik 5, 0-2 Kownacki 8, 0-3 Szymański 24, 1-3 Diogo Jota 52

Poland: Grabara, Bielik, Wieteska, Pestka, Żurkowski, Kownacki (94 Świdzski), Szymański (69 Józwiak), Gumny, Dzikczek, Kapustka, Jagiełło (53 Michalak)

Group stage – final tournament

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Matchday 1 (16/06/2019)

Poland 3-2 Belgium

Goals: 0-1 Leya Iseka 16, 1-1 Żurkowski 26, 2-1 Bielik 52, 3-1 Szymański 79, 3-2 Cools 84

Poland: Grabara, Pestka, Wieteska, Bielik, Żurkowski, Kownacki, Szymański, Dzikczek, Jagiełło (88 Bochniewicz), Fila, Michalak (92 Józwiak)

Matchday 2 (19/06/2019)

Italy 0-1 Poland

Goals: 0-1 Bielik 40

Poland: Grabara, Pestka, Wieteska, Bochniewicz, Bielik, Żurkowski, Kownacki (76 Buksa), Szymański, Dziczek, Jagiełło (55 Michalak), Fila

Matchday 3 (22/06/2019)

Spain-Poland

Team facts

Spain

Tournament record

2017: runners-up
2015: play-offs
2013: winners
2011: winners
2009: group stage
2007: play-offs
2006: did not qualify
2004: play-offs
2002: play-offs
2000: third place
1998: winners
1996: runners-up
1994: third place
1992: did not qualify
1990: quarter-finals
1988: quarter-finals
1986: winners
1984: runners-up
1982: quarter-finals
1980: did not qualify
1978: did not qualify

Biggest wins

Final tournament

5-0: Spain v North Macedonia, 17/06/17
Group stage, Stadion Miejski w Gdyni, Gdynia

Qualifying

14-0: Spain v San Marino, 08/02/05
Qualifying group stage, Santo Domingo, El Ejido

Heaviest defeats

Final tournament

3-1: Italy v Spain, 16/06/19
Group stage, Renato Dall'Ara, Bologna
2-0 twice, most recently v England, 18/06/09
Group stage, Gamla Ullevi, Gothenburg

Qualifying

5-0: Netherlands v Spain, 16/02/83
Qualifying group stage, Galgenwaard, Utrecht

Poland

Tournament record

2017: group stage
2015: did not qualify
2013: did not qualify
2011: did not qualify
2009: did not qualify
2007: did not qualify
2006: did not qualify
2004: play-offs
2002: play-offs
2000: play-offs
1998: did not qualify
1996: did not qualify
1994: quarter-finals

1992: quarter-finals
1990: did not qualify
1988: did not qualify
1986: quarter-finals
1984: quarter-finals
1982: quarter-finals
1980: did not qualify
1978: did not qualify

Biggest wins

Final tournament

3-2: Poland v Belgium, 16/06/19
Group stage, Stadio Città del Tricolore, Reggio Emilia
0-1: Italy v Poland, 19/06/19
Group stage, Renato Dall'Ara, Bologna

Qualifying

7-0 twice, most recently v San Marino, 01/04/03
Qualifying group stage, GKS Nowiny, Nowiny

Heaviest defeats

Final tournament

3-0: England v Poland, 22/06/17
Group stage, Kolporter Arena, Kielce

Qualifying

5-0 three times, most recently v England, 26/03/99
Qualifying group stage, The Dell, Southampton

Legend

:: Squad list

No: number **DoB:** date of birth **Qual:** qualifying **FT:** final tournament **Pld:** played **Gls:** goals **Overall U21:** all-time qualifying and final tournament data

:: Match officials

Nat: nationality **DoB:** date of birth

Under-21: Total matches officiated in the UEFA European U21 Championship including all qualifying round matches. Matches as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

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:: Group statistics/Tournament schedule

Pos: position **Pld:** played **W:** won **D:** drawn **L:** lost **GF:** goals for **GA:** goals against **Pts:** points

:: NOTE: All-time statistics

Goals totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (eg. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored from the penalty mark during a penalty shoot-out.

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup
UEL: UEFA Europa League
UCUP: UEFA Cup
UCWC: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup
SCUP: UEFA Super Cup
UIC: UEFA Intertoto Cup
ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship
WC: FIFA World Cup
CONFCUP: FIFA Confederations Cup
FRIE: Friendly internationals
U21FRIE: Under-21 friendly internationals
U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship
U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship
U16: UEFA European Under-16 Championship
U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship
U18: UEFA European Under-18 Championship
WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup
WEURO: UEFA European Women's Championship

Competition stages

F: Final
GS1: First group stage
GS2: Second group stage
3QR: Third qualifying round
R2: Second round
R4: Fourth round
SF: Semi-finals
R16: round of 16
R32: Round of 32
1st: first leg

2nd: second leg
PO: Play-off
Rep: Replay
PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

GS: Group stage
R1: First round
R3: Third round
PR: Preliminary round
QF: Quarter-finals
QR: Qualifying round
1QR: First qualifying round
2QR: Second qualifying round
FT: Final tournament
ELITE: Elite round
3rdPO: Third-place play-off
GS-FT: Group stage – final tournament

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time
No.: Number
ag: Match decided on away goals
Pld: Matches played
Pos.: Position
Pts: Points
R: Sent off (straight red card)
Res.: Result
sg: Match decided by silver goal
GF: Goals for
gg: Match decided by golden goal
Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)
f: Match forfeited

pens: Penalties
og: Own goal
P: Penalty
agg: Aggregate
AP: Appearances
Comp.: Competition
D: Drawn
DoB: Date of birth
ET: Extra Time
GA: Goals against
t: Match decided by toss of a coin
W: Won
Y: Booked
L: Lost
Nat.: Nationality
N/A: Not applicable

Statistics

-: Denotes player substituted

+: Denotes player introduced

*: Denotes player sent off

+/-: Denotes player introduced and substituted

Squad list

D: Disciplinary

*: Misses next match if booked

S: Suspended

Overall: Total appearances in the UEFA European Under-21 Championship final tournament only

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