



IRELAND v WALES

Croke Park, Dublin

Saturday 8 March 2008

Referee: Wayne Barnes (England)

Touch judges: 1 Christophe Berdos (France) 2 Peter Allan (Scotland)

TMO: David Changleng (Scotland)

Head to Head

| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Played | 112 |
| Ireland won | 45 |
| Wales won | 61 |
| Drawn | 6 |

Biggest wins in series

| | | | |
|---------|-----------------|-------|------|
| Ireland | Points & Margin | 54-10 | 2002 |
| Wales | Points | 34-9 | 1976 |
| | Margin | 29-0 | 1907 |

Wales v Ireland

All matches since 1995

| | |
|-------------|----|
| Played | 15 |
| Ireland won | 12 |
| Wales won | 3 |

Wales wins were in Dublin in 1998 and 2000, and at Cardiff in 2005 Grand Slam match (32-20).

Biggest wins and losses in International Championship

Ireland

| | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|------|
| Win | | |
| Points and Margin | 60-13 v Italy | 2000 |
| Loss | | |
| Points | 18-50 v England | 2000 |
| Margin | 6-46 v England | 1997 |

Wales

| | | |
|--------|-----------------|------|
| Win | | |
| Points | 49-14 v France | 1910 |
| Margin | 47-8 v Italy | 2008 |
| Loss | | |
| Points | 26-60 v England | 1998 |
| Margin | 0-51 v France | 1998 |



Ireland – form guide from start of 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| Wales (6N) | A | W | 19-9 |
| France (6N) | H | L | 17-20 |
| England (6N) | H | W | 43-13 |
| Scotland (6N) | A | W | 19-18 |
| Italy (6N) | A | W | 51-24 |
| Argentina | A | L | 20-22 |
| Argentina | A | L | 0-16 |
| Scotland | A | L | 21-31 |
| Italy | H | W | 23-20 |
| Namibia (RWC) | N | W | 32-17 |
| Georgia (RWC) | N | W | 14-10 |
| France (RWC) | A | L | 3-25 |
| Argentina (RWC) | N | L | 15-30 |
| Italy (6N) | H | W | 16-11 |
| France (6N) | A | L | 21-26 |
| Scotland (6N) | H | W | 34-13 |

Wales – form guide from 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| Ireland (6N) | H | L | 9-19 |
| Scotland (6N) | A | L | 9-21 |
| France (6N) | A | L | 21-32 |
| Italy (6N) | A | L | 20-23 |
| England (6N) | H | W | 27-18 |
| Australia | A | L | 23-29 |
| Australia | A | L | 0-31 |
| England | A | L | 5-62 |
| Argentina | H | W | 27-20 |
| France | H | L | 7-34 |
| Canada (RWC) | N | W | 42-17 |
| Australia (RWC) | H | L | 20-32 |
| Japan (RWC) | H | W | 72-18 |
| Fiji (RWC) | N | L | 34-38 |
| SA | H | L | 12-34 |
| England (6N) | A | W | 26-19 |
| Scotland (6N) | H | W | 30-15 |
| Italy (6N) | H | W | 47-8 |



World Rugby all-time top points scorers

| | |
|------|--|
| 1090 | Neil Jenkins (1049-Wales 41-Lions) |
| 1070 | Jonny Wilkinson (1023-England 47-Lions)* |
| 1010 | Diego Dominguez (27-Argentina 983-Italy) |
| 967 | Andrew Mehrtens (NZ) |
| 911 | Michael Lynagh (Australia) |
| 878 | Matt Burke (Australia) |
| 873 | Percy Montgomery (SA) |
| 810 | Ronan O’Gara (Ireland) |

(* excluding 20pts for Lions v Argentina 2005, Argentina did not award caps)

World Rugby all-time top try scorers

| | |
|----|-------------------------------------|
| 65 | Daisuke Ohata (Japan) |
| 64 | David Campese (Australia) |
| 50 | Rory Underwood (49-England 1-Lions) |
| 49 | Doug Howlett (NZ) |
| 46 | Christian Cullen (NZ) |
| 44 | Jeff Wilson (NZ) |
| 43 | Joe Rokocoko (NZ) |
| 41 | Gareth Thomas (40-Wales 1-Lions) |
| 40 | Chris Latham (Australia) |
| 39 | Shane Williams (Wales) |
| 38 | Serge Blanco (France) |
| 38 | Joost van der Westhuizen (SA) |
| 37 | Jonah Lomu (NZ) |

International Championship all time records

Points

| | |
|-----|---------------------------|
| 470 | Jonny Wilkinson (England) |
| 426 | Ronan O’Gara (Ireland) |
| 406 | Neil Jenkins (Wales) |
| 320 | Stephen Jones (Wales) |
| 297 | Chris Paterson (Scotland) |
| 288 | Gavin Hastings (Scotland) |
| 270 | David Humphreys (Ireland) |

Tries

| | |
|----|----------------------------|
| 24 | Ian Smith (Scotland) |
| 18 | Cyril Lowe (England) |
| 18 | Rory Underwood (England) |
| 18 | Gareth Edwards (Wales) |
| 17 | Brian O’Driscoll (Ireland) |



Ireland – most capped players

| | |
|----|---------------------|
| 91 | Malcolm O’Kelly |
| 82 | Brian O’Driscoll |
| 82 | John Hayes |
| 81 | Peter Stringer |
| 80 | Girvan Dempsey |
| 80 | Ronan O’Gara |
| 72 | David Humphreys |
| 70 | Kevin Maggs |
| 69 | Mike Gibson |
| 64 | Simon Easterby |
| 63 | Willie John McBride |

Ireland – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|------|------------------|
| 810 | Ronan O’Gara |
| 560* | David Humphreys |
| 308 | Michael Kiernan |
| 296 | Eric Elwood |
| 217 | Ollie Campbell |
| 167 | Brian O’Driscoll |

* does not include penalty try v Scotland in 1999

Ireland – all time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|-------------------|
| 31 | Brian O’Driscoll |
| 29 | Denis Hickie |
| 20 | Shane Horgan |
| 19 | Girvan Dempsey |
| 18 | Geordan Murphy |
| 17 | Brendan Mullin |
| 15 | Keith Wood |
| 15 | Kevin Maggs |
| 14 | George Stephenson |
| 14 | Ronan O’Gara |

Wales – most capped players

| | |
|-----|------------------|
| 100 | Gareth Thomas |
| 94 | Colin Charvis |
| 92 | Gareth Llewellyn |
| 87 | Neil Jenkins |
| 79 | Martyn Williams |
| 72 | Ieuan Evans |
| 68 | Stephen Jones |
| 61 | Dwayne Peel |
| 59 | Rob Howley |



Wales – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|------|----------------|
| 1049 | Neil Jenkins |
| 595 | Stephen Jones |
| 304 | Paul Thorburn |
| 211 | Arwel Thomas |
| 200 | Gareth Thomas |
| 195 | Shane Williams |
| 170 | James Hook |
| 166 | Phil Bennett |

Wales – all time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|----------------|
| 40 | Gareth Thomas |
| 39 | Shane Williams |
| 33 | Ieuan Evans |
| 22 | Colin Charvis |
| 20 | Gareth Edwards |
| 20 | Gerald Davies |
| 18 | Tom Shanklin |
| 18 | Rhys Williams |



SCOTLAND v ENGLAND

Murrayfield

Saturday 8 March 2008

Referee: Jonathan Kaplan (SA)

Touch judges: 1 Marius Jonker (SA) 2 Carlo Damasco (Italy)

TMO: Tim Hayes (Wales)

Head to Head

| | |
|--------------|-----|
| Played | 124 |
| Scotland won | 41 |
| England won | 66 |
| Drawn | 17 |

England have been ahead since 1939...the 17 draws are a record for any international fixture, the last draw was in 1989 at Twickenham.

Biggest wins in series

| | | | |
|----------|-------------------|-------|------|
| Scotland | Points and Margin | 33-6 | 1986 |
| England | Points | 43-3 | 2001 |
| | | 43-22 | 2005 |
| | Margin | 43-3 | 2001 |

Form guide

Since 1990 - Scotland Grand Slam win

| | |
|--------------|----|
| Played | 18 |
| Scotland won | 2 |
| England won | 16 |

* Scotland won 19-13 in 2000 and 18-12 in 2006 both at Murrayfield

* Includes England's 9-6 win at RWC1991

Penalty tries in series

| | |
|---------|------|
| England | 1987 |
| England | 1997 |

Biggest wins and losses in International Championship

Scotland

| | | |
|--------|-----------------|------|
| Win | | |
| Points | 38-10 v Ireland | 1997 |
| Margin | 38-10 v Ireland | 1997 |
| | 31-3 v France | 1912 |
| Loss | | |
| Points | 16-51 v France | 1998 |
| Margin | 3-43 v England | 2001 |



England

Win

Points and Margin 80-23 v Italy 2001

Loss

Points and Margin 13-43 v Ireland 2007

Scotland – form guide from 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| England (6N) | A | L | 20-42 |
| Wales (6N) | H | W | 21-9 |
| Italy (6N) | H | L | 17-37 |
| Ireland (6N) | H | L | 18-19 |
| France (6N) | A | L | 19-46 |
| Ireland | H | W | 31-21 |
| SA | H | L | 3-27 |
| Portugal (RWC) | N | W | 56-10 |
| Romania (RWC) | N | W | 42-0 |
| NZ (RWC) | N | L | 0-40 |
| Italy (RWC) | N | W | 18-16 |
| Argentina (RWC) | N | L | 13-19 |
| France (6N) | H | L | 6-27 |
| Wales (6N) | A | L | 15-30 |
| Ireland (6N) | A | L | 13-34 |

(Scotland have scored two tries (Cusiter v Argentina RWC2007, Webster v Ireland 2008) in their last 6 games)

England - form guide from 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| Scotland (6N) | H | W | 42-20 |
| Italy (6N) | H | W | 20-7 |
| Ireland (6N) | A | L | 13-43 |
| France (6N) | H | W | 26-18 |
| Wales (6N) | A | L | 18-27 |
| SA | A | L | 10-58 |
| SA | A | L | 22-55 |
| Wales | H | W | 62-5 |
| France | H | L | 15-21 |
| France | A | L | 9-22 |
| USA (RWC) | N | W | 28-10 |
| SA (RWC) | N | L | 0-36 |
| Samoa (RWC) | N | W | 44-22 |
| Tonga (RWC) | N | W | 36-20 |
| Australia (RWC) | N | W | 12-10 |
| France (RWC) | A | W | 14-9 |
| SA (RWC final) | N | L | 6-15 |
| Wales (6N) | H | L | 19-26 |
| Italy (6N) | A | W | 23-19 |
| France (6N) | A | W | 24-13 |

* England's record was 40-16-0-24 in wins and losses from RWC 2003 win to the start of their RWC defence at RWC 2007.



Scotland – most capped players

| | |
|----|-----------------|
| 87 | Scott Murray |
| 84 | Chris Paterson |
| 82 | Gregor Townsend |
| 75 | Gordon Bulloch |
| 71 | Stuart Grimes |
| 70 | Kenny Logan |
| 65 | Scott Hastings |
| 65 | Jason White |
| 61 | Gavin Hastings |
| 61 | Doddie Weir |
| 61 | Tom Smith |
| 60 | Craig Chalmers |
| 60 | Bryan Redpath |
| 58 | Simon Taylor |

Scotland – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|-----|-----------------|
| 667 | Gavin Hastings |
| 637 | Chris Paterson |
| 273 | Andy Irvine |
| 220 | Kenny Logan |
| 210 | Peter Dods |
| 166 | Craig Chalmers |
| 164 | Gregor Townsend |

Scotland – all time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|-----------------|
| 24 | Ian Smith |
| 24 | Tony Stanger |
| 22 | Chris Paterson |
| 17 | Gavin Hastings |
| 17 | Alan Tait |
| 17 | Gregor Townsend |



England – most capped players

| | |
|-----|--------------------|
| 114 | Jason Leonard |
| 85 | Rory Underwood |
| 85 | Lawrence Dallaglio |
| 84 | Martin Johnson |
| 77 | Matt Dawson |
| 75 | Mike Catt |
| 72 | Will Carling |
| 71 | Richard Hill |
| 71 | Rob Andrew |
| 69 | Danny Grewcock |
| 68 | Jonny Wilkinson |
| 66 | Neil Back |
| 65 | Jeremy Guscott |
| 65 | Joe Worsley |

England – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|------|---------------------------------|
| 1023 | Jonny Wilkinson |
| 400 | Paul Grayson |
| 396 | Rob Andrew |
| 296 | Jon Webb |
| 259 | Charlie Hodgson |
| 240 | Dusty Hare |
| 210 | Rory Underwood (inc 4pts tries) |

World Rugby all-time top points scorers

| | |
|------|--|
| 1090 | Neil Jenkins (1049-Wales 41-Lions) |
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| 1010 | Diego Dominguez (27-Argentina 983-Italy) |
| 967 | Andrew Mehrtens (NZ) |
| 911 | Michael Lynagh (Australia) |
| 878 | Matt Burke (Australia) |
| 873 | Percy Montgomery (SA) |
| 810 | Ronan O’Gara (Ireland) |

(* excluding 20ts for Lions v Argentina 2005, Argentina did not award caps)

World Rugby all-time drop goal scorers

The Top 3

| | |
|----|--|
| 29 | Jonny Wilkinson (29 England, 0 Lions) |
| 28 | Hugo Porta (26 Argentina, 2 South America) |
| 23 | Rob Andrew (21 England, 2 Lions) |



International Championship all time records

Points

| | |
|-----|---------------------------|
| 470 | Jonny Wilkinson (England) |
| 426 | Ronan O’Gara (Ireland) |
| 406 | Neil Jenkins (Wales) |
| 320 | Stephen Jones (Wales) |
| 297 | Chris Paterson (Scotland) |
| 288 | Gavin Hastings (Scotland) |
| 270 | David Humphreys (Ireland) |

England all-time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|--------------------|
| 49 | Rory Underwood |
| 31 | Ben Cohen |
| 31 | Will Greenwood |
| 30 | Jeremy Guscott |
| 28 | Jason Robinson |
| 24 | Dan Luger |
| 22 | Josh Lewsey |
| 18 | Cyril Lowe |
| 17 | Lawrence Dallaglio |
| 16 | Matt Dawson |
| 16 | Neil Back |
| 15 | Austin Healey |
| 13 | Tony Underwood |
| 13 | Mike Tindall |
| 13 | Mark Cueto |
| 13 | Iain Balshaw |



FRANCE v ITALY

Stade de France

Sunday 9 March 2008

Referee: Alan Lewis (Ireland)

Touch judges: 1 Stuart Dickinson (Australia) 2 Federico Cuesta (Argentina)

TMO: Dave Pearson (England)

Head to Head

Played 28
 France won 27
 Italy won 1
 Drawn 0

* Italy's only win was in 1997 by 40-32 at Grenoble, in Fabien Pelous first test as captain.

* France won the first 18 meetings, and the last nine meetings

Biggest wins in series

| | | | |
|--------|-----------------|-------|------|
| France | Points & Margin | 60-13 | 1967 |
| Italy | Points & Margin | 40-32 | 1997 |

Biggest wins and losses in International Championship

France

| | | | |
|--------|----------------|--|------|
| Win | | | |
| Points | 56-13 v Italy | | 2005 |
| Margin | 51-0 v Wales | | 1998 |
| Loss | | | |
| Points | 14-49 v Wales | | 1910 |
| Margin | 0-37 v England | | 1911 |

Italy (since joining Six Nations)

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------------|--|------|
| Win | | | |
| Points and Margin | 37-17 v Scotland | | 2007 |
| Loss | | | |
| Points and Margin | 23-80 v England | | 2001 |



Italy wins and draws in Six Nations

| | | | |
|------|----------|-------------|--------|
| 2000 | Scotland | Rome | W34-20 |
| 2003 | Wales | Rome | W30-22 |
| 2004 | Scotland | Rome | W20-14 |
| 2006 | Wales | Cardiff | D18-18 |
| 2007 | Scotland | Murrayfield | W37-17 |
| 2007 | Wales | Rome | W23-20 |

France – form guide from 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|-----------------|---|---|-------|
| Italy (6N) | A | W | 39-3 |
| Ireland (6N) | A | W | 20-17 |
| Wales (6N) | H | W | 32-21 |
| England (6N) | A | L | 18-26 |
| Scotland (6N) | H | W | 46-19 |
| NZ | A | L | 11-42 |
| NZ | A | L | 10-61 |
| England | A | W | 22-15 |
| England | H | W | 22-9 |
| Wales | A | W | 34-7 |
| Argentina (RWC) | H | L | 12-17 |
| Namibia (RWC) | H | W | 87-10 |
| Ireland (RWC) | H | W | 25-3 |
| Georgia (RWC) | H | W | 64-7 |
| NZ (RWC) | N | W | 20-18 |
| England (RWC) | H | L | 9-14 |
| Argentina (RWC) | H | L | 10-34 |
| Scotland (6N) | A | W | 27-6 |
| Ireland (6N) | H | W | 26-21 |
| England (6N) | H | L | 13-24 |

Italy – form guide from start of 2007 Six Nations

| | | | |
|----------------|---|---|-------|
| France (6N) | H | L | 3-39 |
| England (6N) | A | L | 7-20 |
| Scotland (6N) | A | W | 37-17 |
| Wales (6N) | H | W | 23-20 |
| Ireland (6N) | H | L | 24-51 |
| Uruguay | A | W | 29-5 |
| Argentina | A | L | 6-24 |
| Japan | H | W | 36-12 |
| Ireland | A | L | 20-23 |
| NZ (RWC) | N | L | 14-76 |
| Romania (RWC) | N | W | 24-18 |
| Portugal (RWC) | N | W | 31-5 |
| Scotland (RWC) | N | L | 16-18 |
| Ireland (6N) | A | L | 11-16 |
| England (6N) | H | L | 19-23 |
| Wales (6N) | A | L | 8-47 |



France – most capped players

| | |
|-----|--------------------|
| 118 | Fabien Pelous |
| 111 | Philippe Sella |
| 98 | Raphael Ibanez |
| 93 | Serge Blanco |
| 89 | Olivier Magne |
| 78 | Abdelatif Benazzi |
| 71 | Olivier Brouzet |
| 71 | Jean-Luc Sadourny |
| 71 | Sylvain Marconnet |
| 71 | Christian Califano |

France – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|-----|-------------------------|
| 380 | Christophe Lamaison |
| 367 | Thierry Lacroix |
| 354 | Didier Camberabero |
| 267 | Gerald Merceron |
| 265 | Jean-Pierre Romeu |
| 247 | Thomas Castaignede |
| 246 | Frederic Michalak |
| 237 | Dimitri Yachvili |
| 205 | Jean-Baptiste Elissalde |
| 200 | Jean-Paul Lescarboua |

France – all time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|------------------------|
| 38 | Serge Blanco |
| 33 | Philippe Saint-Andre |
| 30 | Philippe Sella |
| 26 | Emile Ntamack |
| 26 | Philippe Bernat-Salles |
| 25 | Christophe Dominici |
| 23 | Christian Darrouy |
| 20 | Patrice Lagisquet |
| 20 | Aurelien Rougerie |
| 20 | Vincent Clerc |

Italy – most capped players

| | |
|-----|----------------------------|
| 101 | Alessandro Troncon |
| 83 | Carlo Checchinato |
| 74 | Andrea lo Cicero |
| 74 | Diego Dominguez |
| 71 | Cristian Alessandro Stoica |
| 69 | Massimo Cuttitta |
| 65 | Marco Bortolami |
| 65 | Mauro Bergamasco |
| 64 | Paolo Vaccari |



Italy – all time leading points scorers

| | |
|-----|--------------------|
| 983 | Diego Dominguez |
| 483 | Stefano Bettarello |
| 294 | Luigi Troiani |
| 260 | Ramiro Pez |
| 153 | David Bortolussi |

Italy – all time leading try scorers

| | |
|----|---------------------|
| 25 | Marcello Cuttitta |
| 22 | Paolo Vaccari |
| 21 | Carlo Checchinato |
| 21 | Enrico Marchetto |
| 19 | Alessandro Troncon |
| 17 | Serafino Ghizzoni |
| 17 | Massimo Mascioletti |
| 16 | Ivan Francescato |
| 15 | Mirco Bergamasco |
| 13 | Mauro Bertgamasco |
| 12 | Kaine Robertson |