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R. Standard de Liège

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Group H - Matchday 5

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Match background

Previous meetings

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
16/09/09	GS	R. Standard de Liège - Arsenal FC	2-3	Liege	Mangala 3, Jovanović 5(p); Bendtner 45, Vermaelen 77, Eduardo 81

UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
03/11/93	R2	R. Standard de Liège - Arsenal FC	0-7 agg: 0-10	Liege	Smith 3, Selley 20, Adams 36, Campbell 42, 80, Merson 72, McGoldrick 81
20/10/93	R2	Arsenal FC - R. Standard de Liège	3-0	London	Wright 39, 64, Merson 51

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Arsenal FC	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	13	2
R. Standard de Liège	2	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	2	13

Arsenal FC - record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
03/11/81	R2	Arsenal FC - KFC Winterslag	2-1 agg: 2-2 ag	London	Hollins 32, Rix 71; Billen 3
21/10/81	R2	KFC Winterslag - Arsenal FC	1-0	Genk	Berger 62

R. Standard de Liège - record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
02/10/08	R1	R. Standard de Liège - Everton	2-1 agg: 4-3	Liege	Witsel 22, Jovanović 79(p); Jagielka 67
18/09/08	R1	Everton - R. Standard de Liège	2-2	Liverpool	Yakubu 23, Castillo 38; Mbokani 9, Yobo 35(og)

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
27/08/08	QR3	Liverpool FC - R. Standard de Liège	1-0 agg: 1-0 aet	Liverpool	Kuyt 28 Ex
13/08/08	QR3	R. Standard de Liège - Liverpool FC	0-0	Liege	

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
01/11/78	R2	R. Standard de Liège - Manchester City FC	2-0 agg: 2-4	Liege	Sigurvinsson 63, 85(p)
18/10/78	R2	Manchester City FC - R. Standard de Liège	4-0	Manchester	Hartford 13, Kidd 85(p), 87, Palmer 89

European Champion Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
18/03/70	QF	Leeds United AFC - R. Standard de Liège	1-0 agg: 2-0	Leeds	Giles 80(p)
04/03/70	QF	R. Standard de Liège - Leeds United AFC	0-1	Liege	Lorimer 70

UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
15/12/65	R1	R. Standard de Liège - Liverpool FC	1-2 agg: 2-5	Liege	Claessen 43; Hunt 51, St. John 57
01/12/65	R1	Liverpool FC - R. Standard de Liège	3-1	Liverpool	Lawler 27, 50, Thompson 60; Storme 57

Record versus clubs from opponents' country

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Arsenal FC	2	2	0	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	4	0	1	15	4
R. Standard de Liège	7	2	1	4	6	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	13	2	2	9	10	28

Avoiding defeat at home to R. Standard de Liège will guarantee Arsenal FC's passage to the last 16 of the UEFA Champions League for the tenth successive season. The visitors, meanwhile, need victory to put pressure on Olympiacos FC who lie in second place in Group H.

- In their last outing the London side enjoyed a convincing victory against AZ Alkmaar to cement their position as group leaders. Cesc Fàbregas scored twice in a 4-1 win with Samir Nasri and Abou Diaby also on target.
- The same night Standard's first win in the competition, at home to Olympiacos, lifted them off the bottom and put them on four points. László Bölöni's side were indebted to Dieudonné Mbokani's strike after 31 minutes and Milan Jovanović's late header.

Previous meetings

- The game at Stade Maurice Dufrasne on 16 September proved a topsy-turvy affair with the Belgian hosts taking a quickfire 2-0 lead through Eliaquim Mangala and a Jovanović spot-kick. Arsenal began their comeback through Nicklas Bendtner but had to wait until 13 minutes from time for Thomas Vermaelen's equaliser. Eduardo then wrapped up a comeback victory four minutes later.
- Arsenal's only previous home game with these opponents ended in a 3-0 win. However, the real story of that 1993/94 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round tie came in the second leg in which the English team triumphed 7-0, Standard's worst result in UEFA club competition, with six different players finding the net.

Match background

- Standard lost their first four competitive games in England but on their last visit, a 2008/09 UEFA Cup first round tie at Everton, managed a 2-2 draw.
- Arsenal have faced only one other side from Belgium in UEFA club competition, KFC Winterslag, in the 1981/82 UEFA Cup second round. They won the home leg 2-1 but went out on away goals after a 2-2 aggregate draw.

Team ties

- Coaches Arsène Wenger and Bölöni have both had spells in charge of AS Monaco FC and AS Nancy-Lorraine.
- In September Jovanović met Bacary Sagna and William Gallas in the FIFA World Cup qualifier between Serbia and France in Belgrade. Gaël Clichy was on the bench for the 1-1 draw.
- Vermaelen will face Belgian international colleagues Axel Witsel, Steven Defour and Igor De Camargo.
- Vermaelen and Defour were opponents of Fàbregas when Spain beat Belgium 5-0 in a World Cup qualifier in September. All three – and Witsel – were also involved on 15 October 2008 when Spain won the group game in Brussels 2-1.
- Vermaelen and Defour played in a 2-0 friendly defeat by the Czech Republic on 7 February 2007. Tomáš Rosický was on the winning side.
- Vermaelen and Defour were in the Belgium side that beat Serbia 3-2 in a UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifier in Brussels on 22 August 2007, Jovanović coming on as a second-half substitute for the visitors.
- Standard defender Ricardo Rocha was an unused substitute as Tottenham Hotspur FC lost 3-1 to Arsenal in the Premier League on 15 September 2007.

Match facts

Arsenal

UEFA milestones

- Cesc Fàbregas' second goal on Matchday 4 was Arsenal's 300th in UEFA club competition.
- The London club have drawn 49 matches in UEFA competition.

UEFA Champions League statistics

- Gaël Clichy and Robin van Persie are both within a booking of a one-match ban.

Latest domestic information

• Saturday 21 November: Sunderland AFC 1-0 Arsenal FC (Bent 71)

Almunia; Sagna, Vermaelen, Gallas, Traoré; Song, Ramsey (Arshavin 60), Fàbregas; Rosický (Walcott 71), Eduardo (Vela 71), Nasri.

• Arsenal's 13-match unbeaten run in all competitions ended at the Stadium of Light, the Gunners failing to score for the first time this term in their 20th outing. Arsène Wenger's side last drew a blank at Manchester United FC in their penultimate game of last season.

• The north London club had not lost in seven league games prior to their trip to Sunderland, taking 19 points from a possible 21 since a 4-2 reverse at Manchester City FC on 12 September.

• Wenger's side scored 36 goals in their first eleven Premier League games; the last team to score more at the same stage of the season in the English top flight was Tottenham Hotspur FC, who managed 40 in 1963/64.

• The Gunners are yet to score in the first 15 minutes of any game this season.

• Arsenal will visit Manchester City in the League Cup quarter-finals on 2 December.

• The 6-2 win against Blackburn Rovers FC on 4 October was the fifth time the Gunners have hit six in a league game this decade, the second this season following the opening-day 6-1 win at Everton FC. That triumph on Merseyside was the third time in Wenger's reign the Gunners have hit six in an away league fixture.

Injury news

• Samir Nasri – out 21 July to 28 October (broken leg)

• Tomáš Rosický – out 17 October to 4 November (knee)

• Theo Walcott – out 8 August to 4 October (back strain) and 17 October to 21 November (knee)

• Carlos Vela – out 20 October to 21 November (knee)

• Johan Djourou – out since 11 August (knee)

• Denilson – out since 12 September (back fracture)

• Jack Wilshere – out since 17 October (ankle)

• Łukasz Fabiański – out 8 August to 28 October (knee) and since 28 October (thigh)

• Nicklas Bendtner – out 14-25 October and since 31 October (groin)

• Gaël Clichy – out 14-20 October (ankle) and since 31 October (back)

• Abou Diaby – out since 7 November (calf)

• Robin van Persie – out since 14 November (ankle ligaments)

• Kieran Gibbs – out since 17 November (bruised foot)

• Van Persie could be out for six weeks after damaging right ankle ligaments in the Netherlands' friendly against Italy.

• Bendtner had an operation on his groin in Germany on 10 November.

• On 4 November Wenger said Clichy had suffered a recurrence of the back injury that sidelined him at the end of last season and would be out for "a few weeks". "He had a stress fracture on one side and it has happened on the other side, the vertebrae," added the Arsenal manager.

• Djourou underwent surgery on 4 September and is not expected back until March.

International duty

FIFA World Cup qualifying unless otherwise stated.

• Friday 13 November

Hungary 2-0 Italy, U21 – Vito Mannone

• Saturday 14 November

Republic of Ireland 0-1 France – William Gallas, Bacary Sagna

Russia 2-1 Slovenia – Andrei Arshavin

Ivory Coast 3-0 Guinea – Emmanuel Eboué

Morocco 0-2 Cameroon – Alex Song

Spain 2-1 Argentina, friendly – Cesc Fàbregas (sub)

Italy 0-0 Netherlands, friendly – Robin van Persie

Croatia 5-0 Liechtenstein, friendly – Eduardo (2 goals)

Wales 3-0 Scotland, friendly – Aaron Ramsey (goal)

Belgium 3-0 Hungary, friendly – Thomas Vermaelen (goal)

Switzerland 0-1 Norway, friendly – Philippe Senderos

England 1-0 Portugal, U21 – Kieran Gibbs

• Tuesday 17 November

Lithuania 0-0 England, U21 – Kieran Gibbs

Luxembourg 0-4 Italy, U21 – Vito Mannone

• Wednesday 18 November

France 1-1 Republic of Ireland (aet) – William Gallas (goal), Bacary Sagna

Slovenia 1-0 Russia – Andrei Arshavin

Germany 2-2 Ivory Coast, friendly – Emmanuel Eboué (goal)

Austria 1-5 Spain, friendly – Cesc Fàbregas (goal)

Belgium 2-0 Qatar, friendly – Thomas Vermaelen

• Gallas' 103rd-minute strike took France through to the World Cup finals, although Arshavin's Russia missed out after a second-leg play-off defeat in Slovenia. Cameroon booked their place alongside already-qualified Ivory Coast.

Miscellaneous

• On 1 October Wenger became Arsenal's longest serving manager, celebrating 13 years at the club and eclipsing the previous record tenure of 4,748 days set by George Allison between 1934 and 1947.

• Bendtner was named 2009 Danish Player of the Year on 9 November, with his strike in the 1-1 draw with Portugal in September elected Goal of the Year.

• Last week Eduardo signed a new long-term contract with Arsenal.

• On 29 November Arsenal's players will donate a day's wages to the Great Ormond Street Hospital, the club's charity of the season. Last week Arsenal released a film, Fundraising Day, with Fàbregas, Walcott, Arshavin and Sagna dressing as furry animals to promote the cause.

• Arsenal advanced to the last eight of the UEFA Women's Champions League by completing a 5-0 aggregate victory over AC Sparta Praha on 11 November. Olympique Lyonnais are the only other club to have teams competing in both editions of Europe's premier club competition.

Standard

UEFA milestones

• None

UEFA Champions League statistics

• Eliaquim Mangala and Ricardo Rocha are both within a booking of a suspension.

Latest domestic information

• **Saturday 21 November: KAA Gent 2-1 R. Standard de Liège (Lepoint 42, Čustović 65pen; Cyriac 4)**

Bolat; Camozzato, Ramos, Felipe, Mulemo; Dalmat (Carcela-González 67), Mangala, Witsel, Cyriac (Traore 67); Mbokani, Jovanović (Dacourt 75).

• Gent's penalty came at the second attempt after goalkeeper Sinan Bolat was adjudged to have moved too early as he denied Leye Mbaye. Adnan Čustović buried the retaken spot-kick.

• The result gave former Standard coach Michel Preud'homme his first victory over successor László Bölöni after two defeats last term. Preud'homme led Les Rouches to their first Belgian title in 25 years in 2007/08.

• Returning from injury, Gohi Bi Cyriac scored having been included in the starting XI for only the second time in the league this term. He also found the net in his first start, against SV Zulte Waregem on 24 October.

• It was Standard's second defeat in 24 Eerste Klasse outings, including last season's two-legged title play-off against Anderlecht. They have won 13 and drawn nine since 22 March.

• Milan Jovanović took his tally to nine league goals this season with two in the 3-1 victory over Club Brugge KV on 8 November.

• Axel Witsel rounded off the win with his first goal of the campaign in what was his second match back following an eight-game ban for the red card he received against RSC Anderlecht on 30 August.

• Coupled with the Matchday 4 triumph over Olympiacos FC, victory at home to Club Brugge secured Standard's first back-to-back wins of the season.

• Standard have lost just once – 3-2 to Arsenal on Matchday 1 – in 23 home games in all competitions, winning 16, including an extra-time cup success against K. Lierse SK and the Belgian Super Cup victory against KRC Genk on 25 July.

• Standard will face KV Kortrijk in the last 16 of the Belgian Cup on 23 December.

Injury news

- Victor Ramos – out 18 September to 4 November (hamstring)
 - Sinan Bolat – out 23 October to 4 November (finger)
 - Wilfried Dalmat – out 20 October to 21 November (bruised shin muscle)
 - Gohi Bi Cyriac – out 27 October to 21 November (leg)
 - Steven Defour – out since 12 September (foot)
 - Cédric Collet – out since 20 September (broken toe)
 - Mohamed Sarr – out since 4 November (hamstring)
 - Igor De Camargo – out 4-20 October, 20 October to 4 November and since 5 November (broken toe)
- De Camargo returned against Olympiacos on Matchday 4 but suffered a recurrence of his toe injury. "I will not take any more risks," he said.
- Collet returned to full training on 16 November, while Defour had the plaster from his broken foot removed earlier this month but is still likely to miss the rest of the group stage.

International duty

- Friday 13 November
Belgium 0-2 Ukraine, U21 – Axel Witsel, Mehdi Carcela-González
France 1-1 Tunisia, U21 – Eliaquim Mangala
- Saturday 14 November
Armenia 1-1 Estonia, U21 – Hiraç Yagan
Northern Ireland 0-1 Serbia, friendly – Milan Jovanović
- Tuesday 17 November
Belgium 2-0 Qatar, friendly – Axel Witsel (goal), Mehdi Carcela-González (sub)
- Carcela-González made his senior international debut having last month pledged his allegiance to Belgium. The midfielder holds Moroccan and Belgian nationality.
- Wednesday 18 November
Korea Republic 0-1 Serbia, friendly – Milan Jovanović

Miscellaneous

- De Camargo's partner gave birth to a boy on 26 October; they have named him Enzo.

Squad list

Arsenal FC

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Manuel Almunia	ESP	19/05/77	32	-	2	-	1	-	7	-	26	-	33	-
21	Łukasz Fabiański	POL	18/04/85	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	11	-
24	Vito Mannone	ITA	02/03/88	21	-	-	-	3	-	5	-	3	-	3	-
49	James Shea	ENG	16/06/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
53	Wojciech Szczęsny	POL	18/04/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
3	Bacary Sagna	FRA	14/02/83	26	-	2	-	2	-	11	-	16	-	42	-
5	Thomas Vermaelen	BEL	14/11/85	24	-	2	-	4	1	12	4	9	1	30	2
6	Philippe Senderos	SUI	14/02/85	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	26	-
10	William Gallas	FRA	17/08/77	32	-	2	1	4	-	12	3	61	3	80	6
18	Mikaël Silvestre	FRA	09/08/77	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	76	2	82	2
20	Johan Djourou	SUI	18/01/87	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	13	-
22	Gaël Clichy	FRA	26/07/85	24	*	2	-	3	-	8	-	32	-	38	-
27	Emmanuel Eboué	CIV	04/06/83	26	-	1	1	4	-	9	1	37	1	50	2
28	Kieran Gibbs	ENG	26/09/89	20	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	5	-	5	-
30	Armand Traoré	FRA	08/10/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	8	-
34	Kyle Bartley	ENG	22/05/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	Thomas Cruise	ENG	09/03/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Craig Eastmond	ENG	09/12/90	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
39	Cédric Evina	ENG	16/11/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	Kerrea Gilbert	ENG	28/02/87	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
44	Gavin Hoyte	ENG	06/06/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
46	Luke Ayling	ENG	25/08/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
2	Abou Diaby	FRA	11/05/86	23	-	2	-	4	1	10	3	19	4	26	4
4	Cesc Fàbregas	ESP	04/05/87	22	-	1	-	4	3	11	6	47	9	53	13
7	Tomáš Rosický	CZE	04/10/80	29	-	-	-	3	-	7	1	42	9	63	10
8	Samir Nasri	FRA	26/06/87	22	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	14	1	39	3
15	Denilson	BRA	16/02/88	21	-	2	-	-	-	4	1	14	-	19	-
16	Aaron Ramsey	WAL	26/12/90	18	-	1	-	4	-	8	1	9	1	11	1
17	Alex Song	CMR	09/09/87	22	-	2	-	4	-	11	-	19	1	23	1
19	Jack Wilshere	ENG	01/01/92	17	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	3	-	4	-
32	Fran Mérida	ESP	04/03/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
33	Nacer Barazite	NED	27/05/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	Francis Coquelin	FRA	13/05/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
41	Emmanuel Frimpong	ENG	10/01/92	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	Conor Henderson	IRL	08/09/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	Mark Randall	ENG	28/09/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
Forwards															
9	Eduardo	CRO	25/02/83	26	-	1	1	3	1	9	1	10	3	31	12
11	Robin van Persie	NED	06/08/83	26	*	1	-	3	1	11	7	37	12	54	13
12	Carlos Vela	MEX	01/03/89	20	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	10	-	10	-
14	Theo Walcott	ENG	16/03/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	21	4	25	5
23	Andrei Arshavin	RUS	29/05/81	28	-	2	1	3	1	10	4	9	1	54	17
47	Rhys Murphy	ENG	06/11/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
51	Gilles Sunu	FRA	30/03/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
52	Nicklas Bendtner	DEN	16/01/88	21	-	2	-	1	1	9	1	17	4	21	5
54	Sanchez Watt	ENG	14/02/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Coach															
-	Arsène Wenger	FRA	22/10/49	60	-	2	-	4	-	-	-	121	-	174	-

R. Standard de Liège

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Kristof Van Hout	BEL	09/02/87	22	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
16	Jesse Soubry	BEL	14/03/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
18	Anthony Moris	BEL	29/04/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Sinan Bolat	TUR	03/09/88	21	-	-	-	4	-	13	-	4	-	5	-
Defenders															
2	Reginal Goreux	BEL	31/12/87	21	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	2	-	6	-
3	Victor Ramos	BRA	05/05/89	20	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	1	-
4	Ricardo Rocha	POR	03/10/78	31	*	-	-	4	-	5	-	18	-	36	-
5	Felipe	BRA	15/05/87	22	-	-	-	3	-	9	1	3	-	3	-
6	Cédric Collet	FRA	07/03/84	25	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
14	Landry Mulemo	BEL	17/09/86	23	-	-	-	1	-	12	-	1	-	7	-
17	Marcos Camozzato	BRA	17/06/83	26	-	-	-	4	-	15	-	4	-	16	-
19	Mohamed Sarr	SEN	23/12/83	25	-	-	-	4	-	12	-	7	1	26	2
22	Eliaquim Mangala	FRA	13/02/91	18	*	-	-	4	1	13	1	4	1	7	1
25	Rami Gershon	ISR	12/08/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
7	Wilfried Dalmat	FRA	17/07/82	27	-	-	-	3	-	10	1	7	1	15	1
8	Steven Defour	BEL	15/04/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	18	-
11	Grégory Dufer	BEL	19/12/81	27	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	4	-	8	1
26	Benjamin Nicaise	FRA	28/09/80	29	-	-	-	2	-	9	-	2	-	10	-
27	Arnor Angeli	BEL	25/02/91	18	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	1	-	1	-
28	Axel Witsel	BEL	12/01/89	20	-	-	-	4	-	8	1	4	-	18	3
30	Hiraç Yagan	ARM	03/01/89	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Tiago	POR	28/12/88	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Mehdi Carcela-González	BEL	01/07/89	20	-	-	-	4	-	13	4	4	-	6	-
35	Andréa Mbuyi Mutombo	BEL	07/06/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
9	Dieudonné Mbokani	CGO	22/11/85	24	-	-	-	4	1	12	3	4	1	17	5
10	Igor De Camargo	BEL	12/05/83	26	-	-	-	4	1	10	2	5	1	24	6
20	Moussa Traore	CIV	09/03/90	19	-	-	-	2	1	11	-	2	1	2	1
23	Milan Jovanović	SRB	18/04/81	28	-	-	-	4	2	14	9	4	2	17	5
29	Gohi Bi Cyriac	CIV	15/08/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	5	2	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	László Bölöni	ROU	11/03/53	56	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	30	-

Key: Squad list is ordered by position and then numerically

D Disciplinary: * Misses next match if booked, **S** Suspended, **#** Suspended for at least one match

UCLQ¹: Current season total UEFA Champions League appearances in the qualifying rounds and play-offs only

UCL²: Current season total UEFA Champions League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday

UCL³: Total appearances in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only

UEFA⁴: All-time total appearances in UEFA club competitions including all qualifying round matches

Head coach

Arsenal FC: Arsène Wenger

Date of birth: 22 October 1949

Nationality: French

Playing career: AS Mutzig, FC Mulhouse, AS Vauban, RC Strasbourg

Coaching career: RC Strasbourg (assistant coach), AS Cannes (assistant coach), AS Nancy-Lorraine, AS Monaco FC, Nagoya Grampus Eight, Arsenal FC

- Not the most successful of players, Arsène Wenger has more than made up for that as a coach, turning Arsenal into one of Europe's top teams.
- Born in Strasbourg, Wenger worked at Strasbourg and Cannes before Nancy-Lorraine offered him his big break. He impressed sufficiently to be offered the job as coach of Monaco in 1987.
- Within a year Monaco scooped the French championship and Wenger the Coach of the Year award. After reportedly turning down France and FC Bayern München, he moved on to Japan and enjoyed tremendous success with Nagoya Grampus Eight.
- Appointed by Arsenal in September 1996, Wenger became the first non-Briton to win the Premier League in 1998, adding the first of four FA Cup triumphs. The Gunners lost the 2000 UEFA Cup final to Galatasaray SK but claimed another double in 2002, and in 2004 played some thrilling attacking football en route to becoming the first team since 1889 to negotiate a top-flight season unbeaten.
- Wenger nearly topped all his achievements by taking Arsenal to the 2006 UEFA Champions League final, only for FC Barcelona to come from behind to win 2-1. Arsenal's move to their new stadium later that year was also instigated by Wenger.

R. Standard de Liège: László Bölöni

Date of birth: 11 March 1953

Nationality: Romanian

Playing career: ASA Târgu Mureş, FC Steaua Bucureşti, Racing Jet Wavre, US Creteil, US Orléans

Coaching career: AS Nancy-Lorraine, Romania, Sporting Clube de Portugal, Stade Rennais FC, AS Monaco FC, Al-Jazira Club, R. Standard de Liège

- An ethnic Hungarian, the 104-times capped Bölöni was a midfielder for Târgu Mureş before joining Steaua in 1984.
- Won four Romanian titles, two Romanian Cups, the 1986 UEFA Super Cup and the 1985/86 European Champion Clubs' Cup with Steaua, but missed his effort in the club's 2-0 European Cup final penalty shoot-out success against FC Barcelona.
- After finishing his playing career in France, Bölöni moved into coaching with Nancy, returning home to lead Romania from 2000 until 2001, before leaving to take charge at Sporting.
- Bölöni gave youngsters Cristiano Ronaldo and Ricardo Quaresma their competitive debuts and led Sporting to a domestic treble in his first season.
- Spells at Rennes, Monaco and United Arab Emirates side Al-Jazira followed before Bölöni took over from Michel Preud'homme at Standard in summer 2008, successfully defending the title in his first campaign.

Match officials

Referee	Konrad Plautz (AUT)
Assistant referees	Andreas Fellingner (AUT), Armin Eder (AUT)
Fourth official	Fritz Stuchlik (AUT)
UEFA Delegate	Bernd Barutta (GER)
UEFA Referee observer	Christakis Skapoullis (CYP)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UCL matches *	UEFA matches
Konrad Plautz	16/10/1964	37	102

- Austrian referee Konrad Plautz, a regular on the UEFA Champions League scene and the man in charge of the 2007 UEFA Super Cup as AC Milan beat Sevilla FC 3-1, is an enthusiastic director and actor with a local theatre group.
- A toolmaker from the Alpine town of Navis, Plautz began taking charge of matches as a teenager in 1984. He rose through the ranks at regional level before heading into the Austrian national leagues.
- Plautz reached Austrian Bundesliga standard after six years, getting his FIFA international badge in 1996. That same year he was selected to referee the UEFA European Under-16 Championship final in Vienna.
- A veteran of two FIFA World Cup qualifying campaigns and a referee for two matches at UEFA EURO 2008™, Plautz has experience of UEFA European Championship qualifiers back to March 1999.
- A regular presence in the latter stages of the UEFA Champions League, Plautz took charge of six matches in the competition in 2008/09 and also oversaw the UEFA Cup semi-final first leg between FC Dynamo Kyiv and eventual winners FC Shakhtar Donetsk.

UEFA Champions League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
14/03/01	UCL	2ndGS	Leeds United AFC - S.S. Lazio	3-3	Leeds
19/03/02	UCL	2ndGS	Boavista FC - Manchester United FC	0-3	Porto
17/09/02	UCL	GS	KRC Genk - AEK Athens FC	0-0	Genk
22/10/02	UCL	GS	FC Spartak Moskva - Liverpool FC	1-3	Moscow
26/08/03	UCL	QR3	Wisla Kraków - RSC Anderlecht	0-1	Krakow
21/10/03	UCL	GS	FC Dynamo Kyiv - Arsenal FC	2-1	Kyiv
24/08/05	UCL	QR3	Club Brugge KV - Vålerenga Fotball	1-0	Bruges
13/09/05	UCL	GS	Real Betis Balompié - Liverpool FC	1-2	Seville
21/02/06	UCL	KO1	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	1-0	Lisbon
19/04/06	UCL	SF	Arsenal FC - Villarreal CF	1-0	London
03/10/07	UCL	GS	Liverpool FC - Olympique de Marseille	0-1	Liverpool
19/02/08	UCL	KO1	Olympiacos FC - Chelsea FC	0-0	Piraeus
04/03/08	UCL	KO1	AC Milan - Arsenal FC	0-2	Milan
22/04/08	UCL	SF	Liverpool FC - Chelsea FC	1-1	Liverpool
16/09/08	UCL	GS	Olympique de Marseille - Liverpool FC	1-2	Marseille
07/04/09	UCL	QF	Manchester United FC - FC Porto	2-2	Manchester
15/09/09	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC - FC Porto	1-0	London

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

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
02/10/97	U18	PR	Spain - Belgium	2-0	Plasencia
22/10/98	UCWC	R2	KRC Genk - RCD Mallorca	1-1	Brussels
26/07/00	UIC	SF	RC Celta de Vigo - Aston Villa FC	1-0	Vigo
23/11/00	UCUP	R3	Club Brugge KV - FC Barcelona	0-2	Bruges
28/11/02	UCUP	R3	FC Girondins de Bordeaux - RSC Anderlecht	0-2	Bordeaux
25/03/04	UCUP	R4	RCD Mallorca - Newcastle United FC	0-3	Palma de Mallorca
16/03/05	UCUP	R16	Newcastle United FC - Olympiacos FC	4-0	Newcastle
12/04/07	UCUP	QF	Tottenham Hotspur FC - Sevilla FC	2-2	London

* Group stage to final only

Fixtures and results

Arsenal FC

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
15/08/09	League	Everton (A)	W 6-1	Denilson 26, Vermaelen 37, Gallas 41, Fàbregas 48, 70, Eduardo 89
22/08/09	League	Portsmouth FC (H)	W 4-1	Diaby 18, 21, Gallas 51, Ramsey 68
29/08/09	League	Manchester United FC (A)	L 1-2	Arshavin 40
12/09/09	League	Manchester City FC (A)	L 2-4	Van Persie 62, Rosický 88
19/09/09	League	Wigan Athletic FC (H)	W 4-0	Vermaelen 25, 49, Eboué 59, Fàbregas 90
22/09/09	Cup	West Bromwich Albion FC (H)	W 2-0	Watt 68, Vela 76
26/09/09	League	Fulham FC (A)	W 1-0	Van Persie 52
04/10/09	League	Blackburn Rovers FC (H)	W 6-2	Vermaelen 17, Van Persie 33, Arshavin 37, Fàbregas 57, Walcott 75, Bendtner 89
17/10/09	League	Birmingham City FC (H)	W 3-1	Van Persie 16, Diaby 18, Arshavin 84
25/10/09	League	West Ham United FC (A)	D 2-2	Van Persie 16, Gallas 37
28/10/09	Cup	Liverpool FC (H)	W 2-1	Mérida 19, Bendtner 50
31/10/09	League	Tottenham Hotspur FC (H)	W 3-0	Van Persie 42, 60, Fàbregas 43
07/11/09	League	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC (A)	W 4-1	Zubar 28 (og), Craddock 35 (og), Fàbregas 45+1, Arshavin 66
21/11/09	League	Sunderland AFC (A)	L 0-1	
29/11/09	League	Chelsea FC (H)		
02/12/09	Cup	Manchester City FC (A)		
05/12/09	League	Stoke City FC (H)		
13/12/09	League	Liverpool FC (A)		
16/12/09	League	Burnley FC (A)		
19/12/09	League	Hull City AFC (H)		
27/12/09	League	Aston Villa FC (H)		
30/12/09	League	Portsmouth FC (A)		
09/01/10	League	Everton (H)		
17/01/10	League	Bolton Wanderers FC (A)		
27/01/10	League	Aston Villa FC (A)		
31/01/10	League	Manchester United FC (H)		
06/02/10	League	Chelsea FC (A)		
09/02/10	League	Liverpool FC (H)		
20/02/10	League	Sunderland AFC (H)		
27/02/10	League	Stoke City FC (A)		
06/03/10	League	Burnley FC (H)		
13/03/10	League	Hull City AFC (A)		
20/03/10	League	West Ham United FC (H)		
27/03/10	League	Birmingham City FC (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Chelsea FC	13	11	0	2	33	8	33
2	Manchester United FC	13	9	1	3	26	12	28
3	Arsenal FC	12	8	1	3	36	15	25
4	Tottenham Hotspur FC	13	8	1	4	32	18	25
5	Aston Villa FC	13	6	4	3	21	13	22
6	Manchester City FC	12	5	6	1	23	16	21
7	Liverpool FC	13	6	2	5	29	20	20
8	Sunderland AFC	13	6	2	5	21	19	20
9	Stoke City FC	13	5	4	4	13	15	19
10	Burnley FC	13	5	2	6	16	26	17
11	Blackburn Rovers FC	12	5	1	6	16	25	16
12	Fulham FC	12	4	3	5	14	15	15
13	Birmingham City FC	13	4	3	6	11	14	15
14	Everton	12	4	3	5	15	20	15
15	Wigan Athletic FC	13	4	2	7	14	31	14
16	Hull City AFC	13	3	3	7	13	28	12
17	West Ham United FC	13	2	5	6	19	23	11
18	Bolton Wanderers FC	12	3	2	7	15	26	11
19	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC	13	2	4	7	12	26	10
20	Portsmouth FC	13	2	1	10	10	19	7

R. Standard de Liège

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
31/07/09	League	K. Sint-Truidense VV (H)	D 2-2	De Camargo 37, 56
07/08/09	League	KFC Germinal Beerschot Antwerpen (A)	D 1-1	Jovanović 78
15/08/09	League	KSV Roeselare (A)	W 5-1	Jovanović 15 (p), 49, 65, Carcela-González 29, Mbokani 42
21/08/09	League	R. Charleroi SC (H)	D 1-1	Jovanović 22
30/08/09	League	RSC Anderlecht (A)	D 1-1	Mbokani 36
12/09/09	League	KV Mechelen (H)	W 3-0	Carcela-González 54, 57, Mangala 68
19/09/09	League	KSC Lokeren OV (A)	W 3-1	Carcela-González 11, Mbokani 17, Felipe 26
23/09/09	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (H)	D 1-1	Jovanović 5 (p)
26/09/09	League	KV Kortrijk (A)	W 2-0	Dalmat 34, Angeli 90+3
04/10/09	League	KRC Genk (H)	W 1-0	Jovanović 56 (p)
17/10/09	League	KVC Westerlo (A)	L 0-2	
24/10/09	League	SV Zulte Waregem (H)	D 1-1	Cyriac 7
27/10/09	Cup	K. Lierse SK (H)	W 2-1 (aet)	Nicaise 9, Dufer 111 (p)
30/10/09	League	R. Excelsior Mouscron (A)	D 0-0	
08/11/09	League	Club Brugge KV (H)	W 3-1	Jovanović 6, 15, Witsel 36
21/11/09	League	KA A Gent (A)	L 1-2	Cyriac 4
29/11/09	League	K. Sint-Truidense VV (A)		
05/12/09	League	KFC Germinal Beerschot Antwerpen (H)		
12/12/09	League	KSV Roeselare (H)		
20/12/09	League	R. Charleroi SC (A)		
26/12/09	League	KSC Lokeren OV (H)		
29/12/09	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (A)		
16/01/10	League	RSC Anderlecht (H)		
23/01/10	League	KV Mechelen (A)		
30/01/10	League	KV Kortrijk (H)		
06/02/10	League	KRC Genk (A)		
13/02/10	League	KVC Westerlo (H)		
20/02/10	League	Club Brugge KV (A)		
27/02/10	League	R. Excelsior Mouscron (H)		
06/03/10	League	SV Zulte Waregem (A)		
13/03/10	League	KA A Gent (H)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	RSC Anderlecht	15	11	2	2	29	12	35
2	Club Brugge KV	15	9	3	3	30	20	30
3	KFC Germinal Beerschot Antwerpen	15	8	3	4	22	19	27
4	R. Standard de Liège	15	6	7	2	25	14	25
5	KA A Gent	15	7	3	5	25	17	24
6	SV Zulte Waregem	15	6	5	4	27	22	23
7	KV Mechelen	15	7	0	8	20	24	21
8	KV Kortrijk	15	5	6	4	18	16	21
9	K. Sint-Truidense VV	15	5	3	7	18	23	18
10	KVC Westerlo	15	5	3	7	17	24	18
11	KRC Genk	15	4	5	6	19	19	17
12	Cercle Brugge KSV	15	4	5	6	22	23	17
13	R. Excelsior Mouscron	15	4	5	6	18	21	17
14	R. Charleroi SC	15	3	5	7	17	29	14
15	KSC Lokeren OV	15	3	3	9	16	25	12
16	KSV Roeselare	15	2	4	9	19	34	10

Match-by-match lineups

Arsenal FC

Play-Offs

(18/08/09)

Celtic FC 0-2 Arsenal FC

Goals: 0-1 Gallas 43, 0-2 Caldwell 71(o.g.)

Arsenal FC: Almunia, Sagna, Fàbregas, Vermaelen, Gallas, Van Persie, Denilson, Song, Clichy, Arshavin (Diaby 70), Bendtner

(26/08/09)

Arsenal FC 3-1 Celtic FC (agg: 5-1)

Goals: 1-0 Eduardo 28(pen), 2-0 Eboué 53, 3-0 Arshavin 74, 3-1 Donati 90+2

Arsenal FC: Almunia, Diaby (Ramsey 61), Sagna, Vermaelen, Eduardo (Arshavin 72), Gallas, Denilson, Song, Clichy, Eboué (Wilshere 72), Bendtner

Group H

Standings

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Arsenal FC	4	3	1	0	10	4	10
Olympiacos FC	4	2	0	2	3	5	6
R. Standard de Liège	4	1	1	2	6	6	4
AZ Alkmaar	4	0	2	2	3	7	2

Matchday 1 (16/09/09)

R. Standard de Liège 2-3 Arsenal FC

Goals: 1-0 Mangala 3, 2-0 Jovanović 5(pen), 2-1 Bendtner 45, 2-2 Vermaelen 77, 2-3 Eduardo 81

R. Standard de Liège: Bolat, Ricardo Rocha, Dalmat (Goreux 80), Mbokani, De Camargo, Camozzato, Sarr, Mangala, Jovanović (Nicaise 59), Witsel (Traore 84), Carcela-González

Arsenal FC: Mannone, Diaby, Fàbregas, Vermaelen, Rosický (Ramsey 70), Eduardo (Wilshere 86), Gallas, Song, Clichy, Eboué (Sagna 78), Bendtner

Matchday 2 (29/09/09)

AZ Alkmaar 1-1 R. Standard de Liège

Goals: 1-0 El Hamdaoui 48, 1-1 Traore 90+1

R. Standard de Liège: Bolat, Ricardo Rocha (Mulemo 53), Felipe, Dalmat (Traore 77), Mbokani, Camozzato, Sarr (De Camargo 60), Mangala, Jovanović, Witsel, Carcela-González

Arsenal FC 2-0 Olympiacos FC

Goals: 1-0 Van Persie 78, 2-0 Arshavin 86

Arsenal FC: Mannone, Diaby (Vela 77), Fàbregas, Vermaelen, Rosický (Eduardo 66), Gallas, Van Persie (Ramsey 85), Song, Clichy, Arshavin, Eboué

Matchday 3 (20/10/09)

Olympiacos FC 2-1 R. Standard de Liège

Goals: 0-1 De Camargo 37, 1-1 Mitroglou 43, 2-1 Stoltidis 90+3

R. Standard de Liège: Bolat, Ricardo Rocha, Felipe, Dalmat (Carcela-González 48), Mbokani, De Camargo (Nicaise 89), Camozzato, Sarr, Mangala, Jovanović, Witsel

AZ Alkmaar 1-1 Arsenal FC

Goals: 0-1 Fàbregas 36, 1-1 Mendes da Silva 90+3

Arsenal FC: Mannone, Diaby, Sagna, Fàbregas, Vermaelen, Gallas, Van Persie (Vela 74), Song, Clichy, Arshavin, Eboué (Ramsey 83)

Matchday 4 (04/11/09)

Arsenal FC 4-1 AZ Alkmaar

Goals: 1-0 Fàbregas 25, 2-0 Nasri 43, 3-0 Fàbregas 52, 4-0 Diaby 72, 4-1 Lens 82

Arsenal FC: Almunia, Diaby, Fàbregas (Ramsey 67), Vermaelen, Nasri, Gallas, Van Persie (Eduardo 67), Song, Arshavin (Rosický 75), Eboué, Gibbs

R. Standard de Liège 2-0 Olympiacos FC

Goals: 1-0 Mbokani 31, 2-0 Jovanović 88

R. Standard de Liège: Bolat, Ricardo Rocha, Felipe, Mbokani, De Camargo, Camozzato, Sarr (Victor Ramos 46), Mangala, Jovanović (Angeli 90+1), Witsel, Carcela-González (Goreux 87)

Matchday 5 (24/11/09)

Arsenal FC v R. Standard de Liège

Matchday 6 (09/12/09)

Olympiacos FC v Arsenal FC

R. Standard de Liège v AZ Alkmaar

Competition facts

• **UEFA Champions League:** Group stage milestones

Holder FC Barcelona are looking to avoid becoming the first defending champions to fail to get through a group stage since the UEFA Champions League began. (This record, like the others, includes the seasons between 1999/00 and 2002/03 that featured a second group stage).

In 1992/93, Barcelona were the reigning European Champion Clubs' Cup holders and were beaten 4-3 on aggregate in the second round by PFC CSKA Moskva.

S.S. Lazio goalkeeper Marco Ballotta became the oldest player to compete in the UEFA Champions League in 2007/08 when he featured against Olympiacos CFP on Matchday 1 at the age of 43 years and 168 days. The record was previously held by Alessandro Costacurta, the AC Milan defender who played against AEK Athens FC in the 2006/07 season at the age of 40 years and 211 days. Ballotta was aged 43 years 252 days when he featured against Real Madrid CF on Matchday 6.

Laurent Blanc is the oldest player to score in the competition, aged 36 years and 339 days, having found the net for Manchester United FC in their 3-2 defeat of Olympiacos CFP on 23 October 2002.

Celestine Babayaro is the youngest player to have appeared in the UEFA Champions League. He was 16 years and 87 days when he started for RSC Anderlecht against FC Steaua București on 23 November 1994. He was then sent off in the 37th minute.

Barcelona, Manchester United and Milan have all finished as group winners on ten occasions, one more than Real Madrid and Juventus.

Four teams have recorded six successive victories in a UEFA Champions League group stage: Milan (1992/93), Paris Saint-Germain FC (1994/95), FC Spartak Moskva (1995/96) and Barcelona (2002/03, first group stage).

In 2006/07, PFC Levski Sofia joined 1. FC Košice in being the only team to have played in the UEFA Champions League and never picked up a point. The Slovakian side have not returned to the competition since losing all six games in their only campaign to date in 1997/98. Six other teams have gone through a single group stage campaign without picking up a point: FC Dynamo Kyiv (2007/08), SK Rapid Wien (2005/06) and RSC Anderlecht (2004/05) plus Spartak Moskva and Bayer 04 Leverkusen (2002/03, first and second group stage respectively) and Fenerbahçe SK (2001/02, first group stage).

Manchester United scored 20 goals in the 1998/99 group stage, more than any other side has managed. Barcelona scored 19 times in the 1999/2000 first group stage.

Dynamo conceded 19 goals in their six outings in 2007/08, equalling the record let in during a group stage set by Ferencvárosi TC in the 1995/96 campaign.

No team has ever gone through a UEFA Champions League group stage without conceding a goal. Milan (1992/93), AFC Ajax (1995/96), Juventus (1996/97 and 2004/05), Chelsea FC (2005/06), Liverpool FC (2005/06) and Villarreal CF (2005/06) all let in just one.

Before their 3-1 win against Sporting Clube de Portugal on Matchday 6 of the 2006/07 campaign, FC Spartak Moskva went 22 games without a victory in the competition, surpassing the unwanted record set by AEK Athens FC on Matchday 3 of the same campaign.

The lowest total for a team qualifying from the group stage is seven points. The first to do it, since three points for a win was introduced in 1995/96, were Legia Warszawa that same season before Bayer Leverkusen managed it in 1999/2000 and Liverpool in 2001/02. FC Lokomotiv Moskva and eventual finalists Juventus both progressed with seven points in 2002/03, a feat achieved by Rangers FC and Werder Bremen in 2005/06.

Team facts

Arsenal FC

Formed: 1886

Nickname: The Gunners

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- European Champion Clubs' Cup: (2006)
- UEFA Cup: (2000)
- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (1): (1980), 1994, (1995)
- UEFA Super Cup: (1994)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 13 (2004)

FA Cup: 10 (2005)

League Cup: 2 (1993)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Champions League unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: semi-finals

2007/08: quarter-finals

2006/07: first knockout round

2005/06: runners-up

2004/05: first knockout round

2003/04: quarter-finals

2002/03: second group stage

2001/02: second group stage

2000/01: quarter-finals

1999/00: UEFA Cup runners-up (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League first group stage)

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

7-0: Arsenal v SK Slavia Praha

23/10/07, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Biggest away win

0-7: R. Standard de Liège v Arsenal

03/11/93, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

2-5: Arsenal v SK Spartak Moskva

29/09/82, UEFA Cup first round second leg

0-3: Arsenal v FC Internazionale Milano

17/09/03, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

4-1: FC Spartak Moskva v Arsenal

22/11/00, UEFA Champions League second group stage

3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Arsenal

07/11/00, UEFA Champions League first group stage

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest home win

7-0: Arsenal v SK Slavia Praha (see above for details)

- Biggest away win

1-5: FC Internazionale Milano v Arsenal

25/11/03, group stage

0-4: PSV Eindhoven v Arsenal

25/09/02, first group stage

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: Arsenal v FC Internazionale Milano (see above for details)

- Heaviest away defeat
4-1: FC Spartak Moskva v Arsenal (see above for details)
3-0: FC Shakhtar Donetsk v Arsenal (see above for details)

R. Standard de Liège

Formed: 1898

Nickname: Les Rouches (The Reds)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup: (1982)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 10 (2009)

Belgian Cup: 5 (1993)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Champions League unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: UEFA Cup round of 32

2007/08: UEFA Cup first round

2006/07: UEFA Cup first round (transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2005/06: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2004/05: UEFA Cup group stage

2003/04: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2002/03: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2001/02: UEFA Cup second round

2000/01: UEFA Intertoto Cup semi-finals

1999/00: did not take part in UEFA club competition

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

9-0: Standard v Floriana FC

01/10/81, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-3: Four times, most recently v UN Käerjéng 97

(16/08/07, UEFA Cup second qualifying round first leg)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-7: Standard v Arsenal FC

03/11/93, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: Dundee United FC v Standard

02/11/83, European Champion Clubs' Cup second round second leg

4-0: Manchester City FC v Standard

18/10/79, UEFA Cup second round first leg

4-0: Real Madrid CF v Standard

22/03/62, European Champion Clubs' Cup semi-final first leg

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest home win

2-0: Standard v Olympiacos FC

04/11/09, group stage

- Biggest away win

None

- Heaviest home defeat

2-3: Standard v Arsenal FC

16/09/09, group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

2-1: Olympiacos FC v Standard

20/10/09, group stage

Legend

ALL-TIME STATISTICS

The all-time record of the competing clubs in UEFA club competition.

UEFA club competition: These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in UEFA club competition defined as the European Champion Clubs' Cup, the UEFA Champions League, the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (1960-1999), the UEFA Europa League, the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Super Cup (1973-to date), the UEFA Intertoto Cup and the European/South American Cup (1960-2004). Matches in the Inter-Cities' Fairs Cup and the 1972 Super Cup are included only for information as these were not held under UEFA auspices, while the FIFA Club World Cup is excluded.

:: Match officials

The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

UCL: Total matches officiated in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records.

UEFA: Total matches officiated in UEFA club competition including all qualifying round matches. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records.

:: Competitions

Club competitions

ECCL: European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions 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:** Confederation 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 • **WCHAMP:** UEFA European Women's Championship

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

FT: Final tournament

ELITE: Elite round

P-O 3rd: Third place play-off

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

R16: Second knockout round

R32: Round of 32

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

(R): Replay

PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

Prom/Rel P-O: Promotion/Relegation play-off

GS - FT: Group stage - Final tournament

:: Other Abbreviations

aet: Match decided after extra time

No.: Number

aetps: Match decided after extra time and penalty shoot-out

ag: Match decided on away goals

agg: Aggregate

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

(p): Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

t: Match decided by toss of coin

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(*): Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+): Denotes player introduced

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted

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