

# EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS - 2019/21 SEASON

## MATCH PRESS KITS



**Azerbaijan**

**8 KM Stadionu - Baku**  
Tuesday 11 June 2019  
18.00CET (20.00 local time)  
Group E - Matchday -9



**Slovakia**

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## Previous meetings

### Head to Head

#### FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/06/2001	QR (GS)	Azerbaijan - Slovakia	2-0	Baku	Vasilyev 27, Tagizade 65
28/03/2001	QR (GS)	Slovakia - Azerbaijan	3-1	Trnava	Németh 1, 10, Meszaros 57; Vasilyev 3

#### UEFA EURO 2000

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
09/10/1999	PR (GS)	Azerbaijan - Slovakia	0-1	Baku	Labant 71
05/09/1998	PR (GS)	Slovakia - Azerbaijan	3-0	Košice	Fabuš 17, Dubovsky 26, Moravčík 37

#### EURO '96

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
16/08/1995	PR (GS)	Azerbaijan - Slovakia	0-1	Trabzon	Jancula 59
29/03/1995	PR (GS)	Slovakia - Azerbaijan	4-1	Košice	Tittel 33, Timko 39, 50, Dubovsky 45 (P); Suleymanov 79 (P)

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
<b>EURO</b>																		
Azerbaijan	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	2	-	-	-	-	4	0	0	4	1	9
Slovakia	2	2	0	0	2	2	0	0	-	-	-	-	4	4	0	0	9	1
<b>FIFA*</b>																		
Azerbaijan	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	0	1	3	3
Slovakia	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	2	1	0	1	3	3
<b>Friendlies</b>																		
Azerbaijan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Slovakia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>																		
Azerbaijan	3	1	0	2	3	0	0	3	-	-	-	-	6	1	0	5	4	12
Slovakia	3	3	0	0	3	2	0	1	-	-	-	-	6	5	0	1	12	4

\* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

# Squad list

## Azerbaijan

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Emil <b>Balayev</b>	17/04/1994	25	Tobol	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Salahat <b>Agayev</b>	04/01/1991	28	Neftçi	-	2	0	0	0	14	-
-	Shakhrudin <b>Magomedaliyev</b>	12/06/1994	24	Qarabağ	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Pavlo <b>Pashayev</b>	04/01/1988	31	Olexandriya	-	0	0	0	0	13	-
-	Maksim <b>Medvedev</b>	29/09/1989	29	Qarabağ	*	2	0	0	0	50	3
-	Shahriyar <b>Rahimov</b>	06/04/1989	30	Sabail	-	1	0	0	0	2	-
-	Badavi <b>Hüseynov</b>	11/07/1991	27	Qarabağ	-	2	0	0	0	36	-
-	Anton <b>Krivotsyuk</b>	20/08/1998	20	Neftçi	-	1	0	0	0	2	-
-	Rahil <b>Mammadov</b>	24/11/1995	23	Qarabağ	-	2	0	0	0	6	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Araz <b>Abdullayev</b>	18/04/1992	27	Qarabağ	-	2	0	0	0	30	2
-	Gara <b>Garayev</b>	12/10/1992	26	Qarabağ	-	2	0	0	0	44	-
-	Rashad <b>Eyubov</b>	03/12/1992	26	Sabah	-	0	0	0	0	3	-
-	Emin <b>Makhmudov</b>	27/04/1992	27	Neftçi	-	1	0	0	0	7	1
-	Mahir <b>Emreli</b>	01/07/1997	21	Qarabağ	-	2	1	0	0	10	2
-	<b>Richard Almeida</b>	20/03/1989	30	Qarabağ	-	2	0	0	0	11	1
-	Dmitri <b>Nazarov</b>	04/04/1990	29	Erzgebirge	-	2	0	0	0	34	6
-	Ali <b>Babayev</b>	01/11/1990	28	Sumqayıt	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
-	Aleksey <b>Isaev</b>	09/11/1995	23	Sumqayıt	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Namik <b>Alaskarov</b>	03/02/1995	24	Neftçi	-	0	0	0	0	16	-
-	Ramil <b>Sheydaev</b>	15/03/1996	23	Krylya Sovetov	-	2	1	0	0	17	2
-	Rüfat <b>Dadaşov</b>	29/09/1991	27	Preußen Münster	-	2	0	0	0	18	4
-	Agabala <b>Ramazanov</b>	20/01/1993	26	Sabail	-	1	0	0	0	12	1
-	Renat <b>Dadashov</b>	17/05/1999	20	Estoril	-	1	0	0	0	2	-
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Nikola Jurcevic	14/09/1966	52		-	2	0	0	0	3	-

## Slovakia

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>											
-	Matúš Kozáčik	27/12/1983	35	Plzeň	-	0	0	0	0	29	-
-	Martin Dúbravka	15/01/1989	30	Newcastle	-	2	0	0	0	12	-
-	Marek Rodák	13/12/1996	22	Rotherham	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>											
-	Peter Pekarík	30/10/1986	32	Hertha	-	2	0	0	0	84	2
-	Róbert Mazán	09/02/1994	25	Celta	-	0	0	0	0	7	-
-	Ľubomír Šatka	02/12/1995	23	Dunajská Streda	-	0	0	0	0	6	-
-	Milan Škriniar	11/02/1995	24	Internazionale	-	2	0	0	0	21	-
-	Branislav Niňaj	17/05/1994	25	Fortuna Sittard	-	0	0	0	0	2	-
-	Denis Vavro	10/04/1996	23	København	*	2	0	0	0	2	-
-	Dávid Hancko	13/12/1997	21	Fiorentina	-	2	0	0	0	3	-
<b>Midfielders</b>											
-	Marek Hamšík	27/07/1987	31	Dalian Yifang	*	2	0	0	0	109	21
-	Róbert Mak	08/03/1991	28	Zenit	-	2	0	0	0	49	10
-	Juraj Kucka	26/02/1987	32	Parma	*	2	0	0	0	63	6
-	Ján Greguš	29/01/1991	28	Minnesota United	-	0	0	0	0	20	3
-	Jaroslav Mihalík	27/07/1994	24	Žilina	-	1	0	0	0	6	1
-	Albert Rusnák	07/07/1994	24	Real Salt Lake	-	2	1	0	0	15	4
-	Matúš Bero	06/09/1995	23	Vitesse	-	0	0	0	0	7	-
-	Patrik Hrošovský	22/04/1992	27	Plzeň	-	0	0	0	0	23	-
-	Ondrej Duda	05/12/1994	24	Hertha	-	2	1	0	0	29	5
-	Stanislav Lobotka	25/11/1994	24	Celta	-	2	0	0	0	14	2
-	Lukáš Haraslín	26/05/1996	23	Lechia	-	0	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Forwards</b>											
-	Pavol Šafranko	16/11/1994	24	Dundee United	-	2	0	0	0	3	-
-	Róbert Boženík	18/11/1999	19	Žilina	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
<b>Coach</b>											
-	Pavel Hapal	27/07/1969	49		-	2	0	0	0	3	-

## Head coach

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### Nikola Jurčević

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**Date of birth:** 14 September 1966

**Nationality:** Croatian

**Playing career:** Dinamo Zagreb, NK Zagreb (twice), Antwerp, Salzburg (twice), Freiburg

**Coaching career:** NK Zagreb, Dinamo Zagreb (twice), Salzburg, Slaven Belupo, Croatia (assistant), Lokomotiv Moskva (assistant), Beşiktaş (assistant), West Ham (assistant), Azerbaijan

- A youth player at home-town club Dinamo Zagreb, Jurčević graduated to the senior set-up but struggled to find opportunities and moved across the city to NK Zagreb in 1986, spending two seasons with the club. After a season in Belgium with Antwerp, where he made a single league appearance, Jurčević returned to NK Zagreb for another two-year stint.
- Tried his luck abroad again in 1991, moving to Austria to join Salzburg; won two Bundesliga titles with the club and finished joint top scorer in the league with 14 goals in 1993/94, the season Salzburg also reached the UEFA Cup final. Went on to spend two years across the border in Germany with Freiburg before hanging up his boots in 1999 having returned to Salzburg.
- Won 19 caps for Croatia between 1990 and 1996, scoring twice; made three appearances at EURO '96.
- Kicked off his coaching career at NK Zagreb in 2002, moving on to Dinamo the following year and winning the Croatian Cup in 2003/04. After short spells at Salzburg and Slaven Belupo, Jurčević spent six years as assistant to former team-mate Slaven Bilić with the Croatia national team.
- Also worked alongside Bilić at Lokomotiv Moskva, Beşiktaş and West Ham before once more striking out on his own in March 2018, when he was appointed head coach of Dinamo again – a position he held for just two months. Resurfaced in Azerbaijan, taking charge of the national side in February 2019.

### Pavel Hapal

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**Date of birth:** 27 July 1969

**Nationality:** Czech

**Playing career:** Sigma Olomouc (four times), Dukla Praha, Bayer Leverkusen, Tenerife, Sparta Praha, České Budějovice, Jakubčovice

**Coaching career:** Opava, Zlín, Baník Ostrava, Nitra, Mladá Boleslav, Žilina, Zagłębie Lubin, Senica, Slovakia Under-21, Sparta Praha, Slovakia

- A versatile attacking midfielder often deployed on the right flank, Hapal represented both Czechoslovakia and the Czech Republic in the early 1990s, winning a total of 31 senior international caps and scoring one goal.
- Born 50km from Olomouc, Hapal started his playing career with Sigma – the first of four spells at the club – and helped them reach the 1991/92 UEFA Cup quarter-finals. His three goals in a memorable 6-2 aggregate win against Hamburg caught the eye of Bundesliga scouts and prompted a move to Leverkusen, where he remained for three years, winning the DFB-Pokal in 1992/93.
- Pursued his career in the Spanish Liga with Tenerife, where he also spent three seasons, before returning to his Czech homeland in 1998 and hanging up his boots four years later.
- Went straight into coaching, serving a succession of Czech clubs before making his name across the border in Slovakia – firstly by leading Nitra to a third-placed finish in 2007/08, then by steering Žilina to a record-equalling fifth Slovakian title in 2009/10, his debut season.
- After a two-year spell at Polish side Zagłębie Lubin and a brief stint back in Slovakia with Senica, he was appointed as coach of Slovakia's Under-21 side. It proved a successful alliance as he led the team to the European finals in Poland, where they were unfortunate to be eliminated in the group stage despite winning two of their three matches. Sparta Praha appointed him in March 2018 but he left in the summer and took charge of the senior Slovakia side in October following Ján Kozák's departure.

## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	John Beaton (SCO)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Alan Mulvanny (SCO) , Sean Carr (SCO)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Donald Robertson (SCO)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Aurel Ionescu (ROU)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Jan W. Wegereef (NED)

## Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
John Beaton	09/01/1982	0	34

## UEFA European Championship matches featuring the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
10/11/2014	U19	QR	Hungary	Azerbaijan	1-1	Dunaujvaros
03/11/2016	UEL	GS	PAOK FC	Qarabağ FK	0-1	Salonika

## Match-by-match lineups

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### Azerbaijan

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#### European Qualifiers

(21/03/2019)

##### Croatia 2-1 Azerbaijan

**Goals:** 0-1 Sheydaev 19, 1-1 Barišić 44, 2-1 Kramarić 79

**Azerbaijan:** S. Agayev, Garayev (88 Dadaşov), S. Rahimov, R. Mammadov, Medvedev, Hüseynov, Emreli, Sheydaev, Nazarov (58 A. Abdullayev), Eddy, Richard Almeida (72 Makhmudov )

(08/06/2019)

##### Azerbaijan 1-3 Hungary

**Goals:** 0-1 Orban 18, 0-2 Orban 53, 1-2 Emreli 69, 1-3 Holman 71

**Azerbaijan:** S. Agayev, Garayev, R. Mammadov, Medvedev, Hüseynov, Emreli (74 A. Abdullayev), Sheydaev, Nazarov (86 Dadaşov), Dadashov (59 Ramazanov), Krivotsyuk, Richard Almeida

(11/06/2019)

Azerbaijan-Slovakia

(06/09/2019)

Wales-Azerbaijan

(09/09/2019)

Azerbaijan-Croatia

(13/10/2019)

Hungary-Azerbaijan

(16/11/2019)

Azerbaijan-Wales

(19/11/2019)

Slovakia-Azerbaijan

### Slovakia

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#### European Qualifiers

(21/03/2019)

##### Slovakia 2-0 Hungary

**Goals:** 1-0 Duda 42, 2-0 Rusnák 85

**Slovakia:** Dúbravka, Pekarík, Vavro, Duda (87 Šafranko), Rusnák (92 Mihalík), Škriniar, Hancko, Hamšík, Kucka, Mak (79 Stoch), Lobotka

(24/03/2019)

##### Wales 1-0 Slovakia

**Goals:** 1-0 James 5

**Slovakia:** Dúbravka, Pekarík (90 Šafranko), Vavro, Duda (65 Ďuriš), Rusnák, Škriniar, Hancko, Hamšík, Kucka, Mak (69 Stoch), Lobotka

(11/06/2019)

Azerbaijan-Slovakia

(06/09/2019)

Slovakia-Croatia

(09/09/2019)

Hungary-Slovakia

(10/10/2019)

Slovakia-Wales

(16/11/2019)

Croatia-Slovakia

(19/11/2019)  
Slovakia-Azerbaijan



## Team facts

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### UEFA European Championship records: Azerbaijan

#### History

2016 – did not qualify  
2012 – did not qualify  
2008 – did not qualify  
2004 – did not qualify  
2000 – did not qualify  
1996 – did not qualify

#### Qualifying win

**4-0:** Azerbaijan v Liechtenstein, 05/06/99

#### Qualifying defeat

**10-0:** France v Azerbaijan, 06/09/95

#### Overall appearances

**29:** Rashad Sadygov  
**22:** Emin Agaev  
**22:** Aslan Kerimov  
**21:** Tarlan Akhmedov  
**19:** Makhmud Gurbanov  
**19:** Kamran Agayev

#### Overall goals

**5:** Gurban Gurbanov  
**3:** Dmitri Nazarov  
**3:** Vüqar Nadirov  
**2:** Rauf Aliyev  
**2:** Farrukh Ismaylov  
**2:** Vagif Javadov  
**2:** Nazim Suleymanov  
**2:** Zaur Tagizade  
**2:** Rahid Amirguliyev

### UEFA European Championship records: Slovakia

#### History

2016 – round of 16  
2012 – did not qualify  
2008 – did not qualify  
2004 – did not qualify  
2000 – did not qualify  
1996 – did not qualify  
1992 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1988 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1984 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1980 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)  
1976 – winners (as Czechoslovakia)  
1972 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1968 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1964 – did not qualify (as Czechoslovakia)  
1960 – third place (as Czechoslovakia)

#### Final tournament win

**1-3:** Greece v Czechoslovakia, 14/06/80  
**3-1:** Czechoslovakia v Netherlands, 16/06/76 (aet)  
**2-0:** Czechoslovakia v France, 09/07/60

#### Final tournament defeat

**3-0:** Germany v Slovakia, 26/06/16  
**0-3:** Czechoslovakia v USSR, 06/07/60

### Qualifying win

**7-0:** Slovakia v San Marino, 13/10/07

### Qualifying loss

**5-0:** Poland v Slovakia, 07/06/95

### Final tournament appearances

**6:** Koloman Gögh (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Ladislav Jurkemik (for Czechoslovakia)  
**4:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**4:** Ján Ďurica  
**4:** Marek Hamšík  
**4:** Juraj Kucka  
**4:** Matúš Kozáčik  
**4:** Peter Pekarík

### Final tournament goals

**3:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Vlastimil Bubník (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Karol Dobiaš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Pavlovič (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** František Veselý (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ján Švehlík (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ladislav Jurkemik (for Czechoslovakia)  
**1:** Ondrej Duda  
**1:** Marek Hamšík  
**1:** Vladimír Weiss

### Overall appearances

**30:** Marek Hamšík  
**27:** Martin Škrtel  
**26:** Miroslav Karhan  
**24:** Ján Ďurica  
**22:** Filip Hološko  
**21:** Juraj Kucka  
**20:** Lubomír Moravčík  
**20:** Miroslav Kadlec (for Czechoslovakia)  
**20:** Anton Ondruš (for Czechoslovakia)  
**19:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**19:** Peter Pekarík  
**19:** Vladimír Weiss  
**18:** Tomáš Hubočan  
**18:** Dušan Tittel  
**18:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**18:** Ladislav Jurkemik

### Overall goals

**9:** Zdeněk Nehoda (for Czechoslovakia)  
**8:** Marek Hamšík  
**7:** Marián Masný (for Czechoslovakia)  
**7:** Antonín Panenka (for Czechoslovakia)  
**7:** Ladislav Vízek (for Czechoslovakia)  
**6:** Marek Mintál  
**5:** Peter Dubovský  
**5:** Szilárd Németh  
**5:** Titus Buberník (for Czechoslovakia)



## Legend

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### :: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

### :: Squad list

**Qual.:** Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

**FT:** Total UEFA EURO 2020 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

**Overall:** Total international appearances/goals.

**DoB:** Date of birth

**Age:** Based on the date press kit was last updated

**D:** Disciplinary (\*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

### :: Team facts

**EURO finals:** The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

### Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

### Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

## Competitions

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### Other abbreviations

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**(aet):** After extra time

**No.:** Number

**ag:** Match decided on away goals

**agg:** Aggregate

**AP:** Appearances

**Comp.:** Competition

**D:** Drawn

**DoB:** Date of birth

**ET:** Extra Time

**GA:** Goals against

**GF:** Goals for

**gg:** Match decided by golden goal

**L:** Lost

**Nat.:** Nationality

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**pens:** Penalties

**og:** Own goal

**P:** Penalty

**Pld:** Matches played

**Pos.:** Position

**Pts:** Points

**R:** Sent off (straight red card)

**Res.:** Result

**sg:** Match decided by silver goal

**t:** Match decided by toss of a coin

**W:** Won

**Y:** Booked

**Y/R:** Sent off (two yellow cards)

**N/A:** Not applicable