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**ENGLAND VS IRELAND**

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## ENGLAND VS IRELAND

- England are the only team that have made over 600 passes in the Championship so far – 605 at an average of 202 per match. Ireland are not far behind with 582 passes at an average of 194 per match.
- England have the longest average pass distance (5.6 metres).
- England (1,125) and Ireland (1,067) are the only teams who have averaged over a kilometre of passing distance per match.
- England have had the highest lineout success rate in the last two rounds: 80% in Round 2 and 92% in Round 3, when they were 12 from 13. They have the shortest average lineout throw distance (seven metres) but the joint-highest average speed (31.7 km/h).
- England have conceded the most amount of territory from opposition penalty kicks to touch – 150metres per match.
- Holly Aitchison has the longest goal kick of the 2024 Championship with 41.3m.
- Ireland made more kicks in play than any other team in Round 3, a total of 27. It was the first match this season in which they made more kicks in play than their opposition.
- Ireland have averaged the longest kick distance per kick (31.4 metres) and most kicking metres per match (669).
- Dannah O'Brien has kicked the most in-play kick metres of all players with 1118m.
- Aoibheann Reilly has made the most passes of any player for the most pass distance – 258 passes for 1647m.

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## PASSES

### Total Pass Count

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	226	173	206	201.66666...	605
France	213	158	142	171	513
Ireland	120	242	220	194	582
Italy	133	111	139	127.66666...	383
Scotland	144	155	96	131.66666...	395
Wales	114	149	125	129.33333...	388

### Total Pass Distance (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	1,299	967	1,109	1,125	3,375
France	1,081	834	776	897	2,691
Ireland	645	1,310	1,247	1,067	3,201
Italy	766	608	711	695	2,085
Scotland	780	857	522	720	2,159
Wales	621	696	716	678	2,034

### Average Pass Distance (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.
England	5.7	5.6	5.4	5.6
France	5.1	5.3	5.5	5.3
Ireland	5.4	5.4	5.7	5.5
Italy	5.8	5.5	5.1	5.4
Scotland	5.4	5.5	5.4	5.5
Wales	5.4	4.7	5.7	5.2

### Average Pass Speed (km/h)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.
England	31.5	30.0	30.4	30.7
France	27.8	30.1	31.1	29.4
Ireland	30.7	29.6	30.5	30.2
Italy	32.1	29.3	30.0	30.6
Scotland	29.6	31.0	30.5	30.3
Wales	30.4	29.4	30.0	29.9

## PASSES

### Pass/Kick Count Ratio

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.
England	10.8	7.9	7.9	<b>8.8</b>
France	7.1	6.9	7.5	<b>7.1</b>
Ireland	4.3	20.2	8.1	<b>8.7</b>
Italy	6.7	5.0	10.7	<b>7.0</b>
Scotland	11.1	5.7	8.7	<b>7.7</b>
Wales	5.7	14.9	5.7	<b>7.5</b>

### Pass Breakdown for All Rounds

Team	Short 0-5m	Medium 5-10m	Long >10m
England	46.28%	45.29%	8.43%
France	52.15%	38.48%	9.38%
Ireland	44.16%	52.75%	3.09%
Italy	46.74%	48.56%	4.70%
Scotland	40.51%	54.94%	4.56%
Wales	51.29%	42.53%	6.19%

## KICKS IN-PLAY

### Kicks In-Play Breakdown

Team	50-22	Box	Chip	Clearance	Crossfield	Grubber	Up and Under
England		5	11	36	4	9	4
France	1	7	11	44	4	4	
Ireland		1	2	55	3		6
Italy		28	6	20			
Scotland	1	10	2	31	1	5	1
Wales	1	7	2	32	3	4	2

### Total Kicks In-Play Count

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	21	22	26	<b>23</b>	<b>69</b>
France	30	22	19	23.666666...	<b>71</b>
Ireland	28	12	27	22.333333...	<b>67</b>
Italy	19	22	13	<b>18</b>	<b>54</b>
Scotland	13	27	11	<b>17</b>	<b>51</b>
Wales	20	10	21	<b>17</b>	<b>51</b>

### Total Kick Distance (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Total
England	747	536	471	<b>1,754</b>
France	749	643	550	<b>1,942</b>
Ireland	787	397	825	<b>2,008</b>
Italy	436	486	276	<b>1,198</b>
Scotland	405	738	269	<b>1,411</b>
Wales	516	288	637	<b>1,441</b>

## KICKS IN-PLAY

### Average Kick Distance (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.
England	35.6	24.4	18.1	25.4
France	26.7	29.2	28.9	28.1
Ireland	31.5	33.1	30.5	31.4
Italy	23.0	22.1	21.2	22.2
Scotland	31.1	27.3	24.4	27.7
Wales	25.8	28.8	30.3	28.3

### Total Territory Gain (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	574	370	404	449	1,347
France	633	488	364	495	1,485
Ireland	744	312	692	582	1,747
Italy	353	344	216	304	913
Scotland	346	525	213	361	1,084
Wales	286	239	529	351	1,054

### Average Territory Gain per Kick (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.
England	28.7	17.6	17.5	21.1
France	22.6	25.7	26.0	24.3
Ireland	29.8	31.2	26.6	28.6
Italy	19.6	21.5	18.0	19.9
Scotland	28.9	22.8	26.7	25.2
Wales	20.4	23.9	27.9	24.5

## PENALTY KICKS TO TOUCH

### Total Penalty Kicks to Touch Count

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	9	7	7	7.66666666...	23
France	6	5	10	7	21
Ireland	5	7	8	6.66666666...	20
Italy	5	7	8	6.66666666...	20
Scotland	6	9	9	8	24
Wales	11	12	6	9.66666666...	29

### Total Territory Gain from Penalty Kicks to Touch (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	147	84	86	106	317
France	67	86	149	101	302
Ireland	99	144	100	115	344
Italy	92	118	132	114	342
Scotland	34	103	168	102	305
Wales	117	190	107	138	413

### Total Territory Conceded from Penalty Kicks To Touch (m)

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3	Avg.	Total
England	92	190	168	150	450
France	99	103	132	111	334
Ireland	67	118	107	97	291
Italy	147	144	149	147	440
Scotland	117	86	86	96	289
Wales	34	84	100	73	218

## LINEOUTS

### Lineout Throwing

Team	Total	Front	Middle	Back	Long
England	40	29 (73%)	7 (18%)	2 (5%)	2 (5%)
France	48	17 (35%)	18 (38%)	10 (21%)	3 (6%)
Ireland	33	18 (55%)	11 (33%)	4 (12%)	
Italy	42	20 (48%)	17 (40%)	5 (12%)	
Scotland	47	23 (49%)	17 (36%)	7 (15%)	
Wales	41	24 (59%)	13 (32%)	3 (7%)	1 (2%)

### Lineout Success by Round

Team	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
England	8/17 (47%)	8/10 (80%)	12/13 (92%)
France	8/17 (47%)	12/17 (71%)	9/14 (64%)
Ireland	3/9 (33%)	7/10 (70%)	9/14 (64%)
Italy	16/20 (80%)	7/10 (70%)	7/12 (58%)
Scotland	10/15 (67%)	13/17 (76%)	5/15 (33%)
Wales	10/11 (91%)	13/19 (68%)	5/11 (45%)

### Lineout Distance vs. Success

Team	Front Success / Count (%)	Middle Success / Count (%)	Back Success / Count (%)	Long Success / Count (%)	Success / Total (%)
England	24/29 (83%)	2/7 (29%)	2/2 (100%)	0/2 (0%)	28/40 (70%)
France	12/17 (71%)	12/18 (67%)	5/10 (50%)	0/3 (0%)	29/48 (60%)
Ireland	12/18 (67%)	6/11 (55%)	1/4 (25%)		19/33 (58%)
Italy	13/20 (65%)	14/17 (82%)	3/5 (60%)		30/42 (71%)
Scotland	16/23 (70%)	11/17 (65%)	1/7 (14%)		28/47 (60%)
Wales	18/24 (75%)	9/13 (69%)	1/3 (33%)	0/1 (0%)	28/41 (68%)

### Lineout Throw Averages

Team	Avg. Distance (m)	Avg. Speed (km/h)	Avg. Spin Rate (rpm)	Avg. of Efficiency (%)
England	7.0	31.7	298	92
France	9.8	31.7	305	96
Ireland	8.2	31.5	329	94
Italy	8.5	27.6	323	94
Scotland	8.3	29.6	285	95
Wales	7.4	29.3	314	93

## PASSES

### Total Pass Distance (m)

#### Scrum Halves

Player	Team	Total
Aoibheann Reilly	Ireland	1,647
Natasha Hunt	England	1,201
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	1,112
Sofia Stefan	Italy	1,100
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	1,079
Keira Bevan	Wales	794
Sian Jones	Wales	495
Molly Scuffil-McCabe	Ireland	442
Lucy Packer	England	442
Alexandra Chambon	France	382

### Average Pass Distance (m)

#### Scrum Halves

Player	Team	Avg.
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	6.7
Mairi McDonald	Scotland	6.7
Natasha Hunt	England	6.4
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	6.4
Aoibheann Reilly	Ireland	6.4
Alexandra Chambon	France	6.4
Keira Bevan	Wales	6.1
Sofia Stefan	Italy	6.0
Lucy Packer	England	6.0
Molly Scuffil-McCabe	Ireland	5.8

### Average Pass Speed (km/h)

#### Scrum Halves

Player	Team	Avg.
Natasha Hunt	England	34.9
Mairi McDonald	Scotland	34.9
Alexandra Chambon	France	33.9
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	33.1
Sofia Stefan	Italy	33.0
Keira Bevan	Wales	32.9
Aoibheann Reilly	Ireland	32.6
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	32.6
Sian Jones	Wales	32.1
Francesca Granzotto	France	32.1

### Average Pass Spiral Efficiency (%)

#### Scrum Halves

Player	Team	Avg.
Alexandra Chambon	France	93.0
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	93.0
Mairi McDonald	Scotland	90.7
Keira Bevan	Wales	90.4
Natasha Hunt	England	90.4
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	90.2
Aoibheann Reilly	Ireland	90.0
Sofia Stefan	Italy	89.6
Molly Scuffil-McCabe	Ireland	89.2
Lucy Packer	England	88.6

### Total Pass Count

Player	Team	Count
Aoibheann Reilly	Ireland	258
Natasha Hunt	England	187
Sofia Stefan	Italy	182
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	169
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	166
Keira Bevan	Wales	130
Sian Jones	Wales	90
Holly Aitchison	England	85
Molly Scuffil-McCabe	Ireland	76
Lucy Packer	England	74

## PASSES

### Total Pass Distance (m)

Fly Half

Player	Team	Total
Holly Aitchison	England	527
Lina Queyroi	France	364
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	355
Helen Nelson	Scotland	306
Veronica Madia	Italy	269
Zoe Harrison	England	257
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	188
Lleucu George	Wales	187
Morgane Bourgeois	France	44

### Average Pass Distance (m)

Fly Half

Player	Team	Avg.
Zoe Harrison	England	7.1
Veronica Madia	Italy	6.3
Holly Aitchison	England	6.2
Lina Queyroi	France	6.1
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	5.5
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	5.4
Helen Nelson	Scotland	5.1
Lleucu George	Wales	4.1
Morgane Bourge...	France	4.0

### Average Pass Speed (km/h)

Fly Half

Player	Team	Avg.
Zoe Harrison	England	35.8
Veronica Madia	Italy	31.3
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	29.5
Lina Queyroi	France	29.3
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	29.3
Holly Aitchison	England	28.4
Helen Nelson	Scotland	28.2
Morgane Bourge...	France	27.9
Lleucu George	Wales	26.0

### Top 10 Longest Passes (m)

Player	Team	Distance
Hannah Jones	Wales	18.8
Holly Aitchison	England	18.5
Kayleigh Powell	Wales	18.5
Meryl Smith	Scotland	18.5
Beatrice Rigoni	Italy	18.2
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	18.1
Veronica Madia	Italy	17.9
Holly Aitchison	England	17.6
Tatyana Heard	England	17.6
Emily Scarratt	England	17.5

## KICKS IN-PLAY

### Total Kicks In-Play Count

Player	Team	Count
Sofia Stefan	Italy	36
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	35
Lleucu George	Wales	34
Lina Queyroi	France	27
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	24
Pauline Bourdon Sansus	France	20
Ellie Kildunne	England	15
Holly Aitchison	England	15
Helen Nelson	Scotland	14
Emilie Boulard	France	13

### Top 10 Longest Kicks (m)

Player	Team	Distance
Lleucu George	Wales	50.0
Lisa Thompson	Scotland	46.8
Lina Queyroi	France	46.4
Ellie Kildunne	England	46.3
Zoe Harrison	England	45.6
Lleucu George	Wales	45.3
Emilie Boulard	France	45.0
Zoe Harrison	England	45.0
Helen Nelson	Scotland	44.6
Lleucu George	Wales	44.2

### Average Territory Gain (m)

Player	Team	Avg.
Abby Dow	England	33.3
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	32.4
Helen Nelson	Scotland	30.1
Helena Rowland	England	29.8
Morgane Bourgeois	France	29.1
Lucy Packer	England	29.0
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	28.8
Meryl Smith	Scotland	28.5
Zoe Harrison	England	28.3
Lleucu George	Wales	28.0

### Total Kick Distance (m)

Player	Team	Total
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	1,118
Lleucu George	Wales	1,044
Lina Queyroi	France	829
Sofia Stefan	Italy	705
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	678
Pauline Bourdon Sansus	France	489
Helen Nelson	Scotland	440
Zoe Harrison	England	413
Emilie Boulard	France	353
Ellie Kildunne	England	328

### Average Kick Distance (m)

Player	Team	Avg.
Zoe Harrison	England	37.6
Jenny Hesketh	Wales	34.6
Morgane Bourgeois	France	34.6
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	32.3
Helena Rowland	England	32.2
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	31.9
Helen Nelson	Scotland	31.5
Emily Scarratt	England	31.3
Lleucu George	Wales	30.7
Lina Queyroi	France	30.7

### Top 10 Territory Gain (m)

Player	Team	Distance
Lina Queyroi	France	47.2
Ellie Kildunne	England	44.9
Helen Nelson	Scotland	44.5
Lleucu George	Wales	44.2
Holly Aitchison	England	44.1
Helen Nelson	Scotland	44.0
Lisa Thompson	Scotland	43.9
Abby Dow	England	43.6
Lleucu George	Wales	43.2
Helen Nelson	Scotland	42.8

## KICKS IN-PLAY

### Total Territory Gain (m)

Player	Team	Total
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	950
Lleucu George	Wales	783
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	647
Lina Queyroi	France	637
Sofia Stefan	Italy	568
Helen Nelson	Scotland	361
Pauline Bourdon Sansus	France	344
Zoe Harrison	England	283
Ellie Kildunne	England	273
Emilie Boulard	France	256

### Average Restart Kick Distance (m)

Player	Team	Avg.
Meryl Smith	Scotland	40.3
Lina Tuy	France	35.5
Lleucu George	Wales	34.8
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	34.7
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	34.1
Holly Aitchison	England	33.3
Beatrice Rigoni	Italy	32.6
Lisa Thompson	Scotland	31.9

### Top 10 Box Kick Hangtimes (s)

Player	Team	Hangtime
Sofia Stefan	Italy	4.1
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	3.8
Sofia Stefan	Italy	3.7
Sofia Stefan	Italy	3.7
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	3.6
Keira Bevan	Wales	3.6
Sofia Stefan	Italy	3.6
Sofia Stefan	Italy	3.6
Keira Bevan	Wales	3.5
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	3.5

### Average Box Kick Hangtime (s)

Player	Team	Avg.
Keira Bevan	Wales	3.3
Pauline Bourdon Sans...	France	3.3
Sofia Stefan	Italy	3.3
Mairi McDonald	Scotland	3.1
Sian Jones	Wales	2.9
Natasha Hunt	England	2.7
Caity Mattinson	Scotland	2.7

### Average Restart Kick Hangtime (s)

Player	Team	Avg.
Holly Aitchison	England	3.3
Lina Tuy	France	3.3
Meryl Smith	Scotland	3.2
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	3.0
Lleucu George	Wales	3.0
Nicole Fowley	Ireland	3.0
Lina Queyroi	France	2.8
Lisa Thompson	Scotland	2.8

### Top 10 Longest Goal Kicks (m)

Player	Team	Distance
Holly Aitchison	England	41.3
Lina Queyroi	France	39.8
Dannah O'Brien	Ireland	39.6
Beatrice Capoma...	Italy	38.7
Megan Jones	England	37.2
Holly Aitchison	England	37.1
Helen Nelson	Scotland	35.9
Holly Aitchison	England	35.8
Zoe Harrison	England	35.5
Megan Jones	England	34.6

## LINEOUTS

### Average Lineout Throw Speed (km/h)

Player	Team	Avg.
Lark Atkin-Davies	England	34.0
Kelsey Jones	Wales	32.4
Clíodhna Moloney	Ireland	32.0
Agathe Sochat	France	31.9
Connie Powell	England	31.9
Elisa Riffonneau	France	31.5
Neve Jones	Ireland	31.2
Carys Phillips	Wales	30.9
Lana Skeldon	Scotland	29.6
Elis Martin	Scotland	29.6

### Average Lineout Throw Distance (m)

Player	Team	Avg.
Elisa Riffonneau	France	10.0
Clíodhna Moloney	Ireland	9.9
Agathe Sochat	France	9.8
Kelsey Jones	Wales	9.6
Laura Gurioli	Italy	8.8
Elis Martin	Scotland	8.6
Vittoria Vecchini	Italy	8.4
Lark Atkin-Davies	England	8.4
Silvia Turani	Italy	8.4
Manon Bigot	France	8.3

### Average Lineout Throw Spin Rate (rpm)

Player	Team	Avg.
Vittoria Vecchini	Italy	338
Carys Phillips	Wales	337
Neve Jones	Ireland	337
Kelsey Jones	Wales	330
Silvia Turani	Italy	327
Agathe Sochat	France	314
Connie Powell	England	309
Lark Atkin-Davies	England	305
Maud Muir	England	300
Elis Martin	Scotland	288

### Average Lineout Throw Spiral Efficiency (%)

Player	Team	Avg.
Agathe Sochat	France	96.4
Kelsey Jones	Wales	95.9
Clíodhna Moloney	Ireland	95.7
Vittoria Vecchini	Italy	95.6
Silvia Turani	Italy	95.5
Lana Skeldon	Scotland	94.8
Elis Martin	Scotland	94.8
Neve Jones	Ireland	94.0
Amy Cokayne	England	93.9
Elisa Riffonneau	France	93.4

## SCRUM HALVES

### Player Comparison

Team Logo	Name	Kicks In-Play Count	Box Kick Count	Box Kicks Contested	Box Kicks Retained	Box Kicks Avg. Distance (m)	Box Kicks Avg. Hangtime (s)	Avg. Pass Distance (m)	Avg. Pass Speed (km/h)
	Alexandra Chambon	1						6.4	33.9
	Aoibheann Reilly							6.4	32.6
	Caity Mattinson	10	8			27.1	2.7	6.4	32.6
	Francesca Granzotto							5.4	32.1
	Keira Bevan	5	4			21.3	3.3	6.1	32.9
	Lucy Packer	3	1			32.2	2.9	6.0	31.4
	Mairi McDonald	3	2			15.8	3.1	6.7	34.9
	Molly Scuffil-McCabe	2	1			27.9	3.2	5.8	30.2
	Natasha Hunt	12	4			24.5	2.7	6.4	34.9
	Pauline Bourdon Sansus	21	7			25.3	3.3	6.7	33.1
	Sian Jones	4	3			27.4	2.9	5.5	32.1
	Sofia Stefan	37	28	2	2	19.0	3.3	6.0	33.0

## FLY HALVES

### Player Comparison

Team Logo	Name	Kicks In-Play Count	Kicks Consteded	Kicks Retained	Avg. Kick Distance (m)	Avg. Pass Distance (m)	Avg. Pass Speed (km/h)
	.. Dannah O'Brien	35	1	1	31.9	5.5	29.5
	.. Helen Nelson	14			31.5	5.1	28.2
	.. Holly Aitchison	15	1	1	20.0	6.2	28.4
	.. Lina Queyroi	27	2	2	30.7	6.1	29.3
	.. Lleucu George	34	2	2	30.7	4.1	26.0
	.. Morgane Bourgeois	2			34.6	4.0	27.9
	.. Nicole Fowley	24	1	1	32.3	5.4	29.3
	.. Veronica Madia	10			28.9	6.3	31.3
	.. Zoe Harrison	11			37.6	7.1	35.8



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