



Concacaf
UNDER-20
CHAMPIONSHIP

Honduras vs. Canada - Group B

Estadio Sergio León Chávez, Irapuato.

All-Time Series: 11 games

- 7 wins Honduras
- 0 draws
- 4 wins Canada
- 14 goals Honduras
- 11 goals Canada

Honduras and Canada will face each other for the 6th time in the group stage of the CMU20C, with five wins for Honduras. The last time they faced each other was in Group A in Costa Rica in 2017, with a 1-0 victory for the Catrachos, with a goal by Jorge Álvarez (77').

Canada's last win against Honduras was on January 28, 2005, in Group B of the CMU20C, which was played in USA/Honduras in San Pedro Sula, with a 1-0 win, a goal by Ryan Gyaki (61'). It has been more than 19 years since that day.



Honduras (HON)

A constant participant in the CMU20, Honduras returns to the tournament's final phase after being out of the title contention when they were the host country in 2022. The Hondurans have participated 25 times in the CMU20 since 1962, winning the tournament twice in 1982 and 1994, and being runners-up three times in 1964, 1976 and 2017.

The top scorer for Honduras in the CMU20 is Josue Villafranca with 7 goals. In 9 appearances in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup, Honduras has never progressed beyond the group stage.

Honduras' rivals in Group B will be the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, and Canada.

Last appearance in the final round: Honduras 2022 (semifinalist).

Appearances in the Concacaf Men's U-20 Championship: 25 (Panama 1962, Guatemala 1964, Puerto Rico 1976, Honduras 1978, United States 1980, Guatemala 1982, Trinidad 1984, Guatemala 1988, 1990, Canada 1992, Honduras 1994, Mexico 1996, Guatemala/Trinidad 1998, Canada/Trinidad 2001, Panama/United States 2003,



Honduras/United States 2005, Panama/Mexico 2007, Trinidad 2009, Guatemala 2011, Mexico 2013, Jamaica 2015, Costa Rica 2017, United States 2018, Honduras 2022, Mexico 2024).

Record in the CMU20C: GP-101, W-65, D-15, L-21 (GF-209, GA-92).

Best results in the CMU20C: Champion (*1982, 1994), runner-up (1964, 1976, 2017), 3rd place (1978, 2009). 1st place in group (2005). * In 1982, Honduras was stripped of the title due to a disciplinary decision by Concacaf after Honduras used players outside the age limit.

Top scorers in the final round since 2009: Josué Villafranca (7), Marco Aceituno (6), Luis Palma (5), Bryan Róchez (4), Alberth Elis (4), Calos Mejía (4), Cristian Cáliz (4).

Qualified for the final phase as: 2nd Place in the Concacaf U-20 Ranking.

Appearances in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: 9 (Tunisia 1977, Qatar 1995, Nigeria 1999, Netherlands 2005, Egypt 2009, New Zealand 2015, Republic of Korea 2017, Poland 2019, Argentina 2023).

Best position in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: Group stage (Tunisia 1977, Qatar 1995, Nigeria 1999, Netherlands 2005, Egypt 2009, New Zealand 2015, Republic of Korea 2017, Poland 2019, Argentina 2023).

Footballers to Watch:

Roberto Osorto: At 18 years old, he has 30 appearances in the Honduran National League with Real España. He participated in the 2023 Concacaf Central American Cup and the 2023 Concacaf Champions Cup. He scored 2 goals in the 2023 Concacaf U-17 Championship in Guatemala.

Jonathan Bueso: The midfielder played 5 matches in the 2024 Clausura tournament of the Honduran National League with CD Marathón, where he achieved the runner-up position. He participated in 5 matches in the 2023 Concacaf U-17 Championship in Guatemala.



Canada (CAN)

Canada will seek to end an 18-year absence from the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup when it faces Group B rivals Honduras, the Dominican Republic, and El Salvador in Mexico.

Canada last participated in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup in 2007 when they hosted the tournament. The two-time CMU20 champions in 1986 and 1996 won Group D in the Concacaf qualifiers, highlighted by Sergei Kozlovskiy, who at just 15 years old, became one of the youngest scorers, alongside Myles Morgan, who scored four goals, Tavio Ciccarelli, and Santiago López, who each scored three goals.

Last appearance in the final round: Honduras 2022 (round of 16).



Appearances in the Concacaf Men's U-20 Championship: 25 (Mexico 1973, Canada 1974, Puerto Rico 1976, Honduras 1978, United States 1980, Guatemala 1982, Trinidad 1984, 1986, Guatemala 1988, 1990, Canada 1992, Honduras 1994, Mexico 1996, Canada/Trinidad 1998, Canada/Trinidad 2001, Panama/United States 2003, Honduras/United States 2005, Trinidad 2009, Guatemala 2011, Mexico 2013, Jamaica 2015, Costa Rica 2017, United States 2018, Honduras 2022, Mexico 2024).

Record in the CMU20C: GP-106, W-51, D-20, L-35 (GF-197, GA-119).

Best result in the CMU20C: Champion (Trinidad and Tobago 1986, Mexico 1996), 2nd place (Honduras 1978, Trinidad 1984), 3rd place (Canada 1992, Honduras 1994).

Top scorers in the final round since 2009: Randy Edwini-Bonsu (3), Jordan Hamilton (3), Noble Okello (3), Samuel Piette (2), Caleb Clarke (2), Matthew Catavolo (2), Lowell Wright (2).

Qualified for the final phase as: Winner of Group D in the Concacaf U-20 Championship 2024 Qualifiers.

Appearances in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: 8 (Japan 1979, Soviet Union 1985, Chile 1987, Malaysia 1997, Argentina 2001, United Arab Emirates 2003, Netherlands 2005, Canada 2007).

Best position in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: Quarterfinals (United Arab Emirates 2003).

Footballers to Watch:

Myles Morgan: He was Canada's top scorer in the qualifiers with 4 goals, 2 of which were headers.

Santiago López: He scored 3 goals and had the most shots by a Canadian player (12) in the qualifiers. He scored 1 goal from a free kick in the group stage (vs. Dominica).