

Dominican Rep. vs. El Salvador - Group B

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All-Time Series: 1 game

- 1 win Dominican Republic
- 0 draws
- 0 wins El Salvador
- 5 goals Dominican Republic
- 4 goals El Salvador

The only match in the series between the two teams in the CMU20C was on June 26, 2022, in Honduras, in the round of 16, with a 5-4 win for the Dominican Republic, with goals from Israel Boatwright (6'), Anyelo Gómez (13'), Ángel Montes de Oca (47', 60'), and Edison Azcona (78'), and the goals for El Salvador were scored by Mayer Gil (9', penalty 37'), Ronald Arévalo (43'), and Jonathan Esquivel (57').



Dominican Republic (DOM)

The runners-up of the last edition in Honduras, as well as qualifying for the first time for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games, the Dominican Republic returns to the final phase of the CMU20 seeking to add another chapter to the history of Dominican youth football.

The top scorer for the Dominican Republic in the CMU20 is Erick Japa with six goals.

The Dominican Republic will play in Group B against Honduras, El Salvador, and Canada.

Last appearance in the final round: Honduras 2022 (runner-up).

Appearances in the Concacaf Men's U-20 Championship: 7 (Canada 1974, Puerto Rico 1976, Honduras 1978, United States 1980, United States 2018, Honduras 2022, Mexico 2024).

Record in the CMU20C: GP-23, W-7, D-1, L-15 (GF-41, GA-81).

Best Result in the CMU20C: Runner-up (Honduras 2022).

Top scorers in the final round since 2009: Erick Japa (6), Ronaldo Vásquez (5), Gerard Lavergne (4), Juanca (3), Juan Ángeles (3), Ángel Montes de Oca (3), Edison Azcona (2).

Qualified for the final phase as: 6th Place in the Concacaf U-20 Ranking.

Appearances in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: 1 (Argentina 2023).



Best Position in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: Group stage (Argentina 2023).

Footballers to Watch:

Nicolás Cruz: He participated in the 2023 Concacaf U-17 Championship in Guatemala. He scored 2 goals in the group stage of the qualifiers for the 2022 CMU20.

Yordy Alvarez: He played in four matches when they achieved second place in Honduras in 2023 and was part of the squad that competed in the 2023 FIFA U-20 World Cup in Argentina (3 matches). He also participated in the 2023 Pan American Games in Chile.



El Salvador (SLV)

El Salvador will have its 19th participation in the CMU20, highlighted by the title won in Guatemala in 1964 and third places in 1984 and 2013.

With only one participation in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup, El Salvador won Group B of the Concacaf qualifiers largely due to the saves of goalkeeper Daniel Franco, who achieved three clean sheets and conceded only two goals. El Salvador will seek to secure a ticket to the 2025 World Cup in Chile against Group B rivals the Dominican Republic, Canada, and Honduras.

The top scorer for El Salvador in the CMU20 is Juan Barahona with three goals.

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

Appearances in the Concacaf Men's U-20 Championship: 19 (Panama 1962, Guatemala 1964, Cuba 1970, Puerto Rico 1976, Honduras 1978, United States 1980, Guatemala 1982, Trinidad 1984, Guatemala 1990, Honduras 1994, Mexico 1996, Panama/United States 2003, Trinidad 2009, Mexico 2013, Jamaica 2015, Costa Rica 2017, United States 2018, Honduras 2022, Mexico 2024).

Record in the CMU20C: GP-83, W-32, D-15, L-36 (GF-127, GA-121).

Best position in the CMU20C: Champion (Guatemala 1964), 3rd place (Trinidad and Tobago 1984, Mexico 2013).

Top scorers in the final round since 2009: Juan Barahona (3), Mayer Gil (3), José Villavicencio (3), Siliazar Hernández (2), Jairo Henríquez (2), Roberto Domínguez (2), Fernando Castillo (2), Jonathan Esquivel (2), Javier Mariona (2).

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

Appearances in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: 1 (Turkey 2013).

Best position in the FIFA U-20 Men's World Cup: Group stage (Turkey 2013).



Footballers to Watch:

Daniel Franco: He was the goalkeeper with the most clean sheets in the group stage of the qualifiers for the CMU20, with 3 against the Turks and Caicos Islands, Suriname, and Antigua and Barbuda, making 13 saves (conceding only 2 goals).

Wilber Díaz: He was the top scorer for El Salvador in the qualifiers for the U-20 Championship (100% of the goals were scored in the second half). Additionally, he made 8 shots.