

INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL

Euro 2012 Results



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FOREWORD

The 2012 European Championship football tournament took place over 24 days in Poland and Ukraine, and what a tournament it was. The group stage provided some of the best entertainment seen in international football in recent memory, due mostly to so many teams having hope of making it through to the knockout stages on the final group stage day. The knockout games were packed full of match-ups between footballing giants, and the final of the tournament saw international history made.

There were beautiful goals, great fan support, amazing team spirit, massive upsets, tournament favorites sent home early, [crazy dancing during storm delays](#), and thrilling penalty shootouts. But most of all there was a sense of joy that we were watching the best teams in Europe play and were seeing some of the best players in the world fighting for their countries on the pitch.

In the end only one team could lift the trophy, but we've detailed in this packet match reports and facts on every match from the opener to the finale and have included fantastic photography work from all over the continent.

Enjoy,

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Kaiser Sweeper's Euro 2012 Superlatives

- **Team of the Tournament:** Spain.
- **Honorable Mention:** Portugal.
- **Player of the Tournament:** Andrés Iniesta.
- **Unspoken Hero of the Tournament:** England's defense.
- **Goal of the Tournament:** Tie between Danny Welbeck's backheel goal for England against Sweden and Zlatan Ibrahimovic's amazing goal against France (seen on page 38).
- **Favorite Player to Watch:** Mario Balotelli, for his goals in the semifinals and for just the air of excited energy that surrounds him.
- **Best Game-changing Moment:** Pirlo's panenka penalty when Italy were 2-1 down in the shootout against England that completely changed the mentality of both teams.
- **Moment of the Tournament:** Irish fans singing *The Fields of Athenry* to their players while losing 4-0 to Spain and on the brink of elimination from the competition.
- **Worst Moment:** The BBC's "Stadiums of Hate" documentary about racism in Poland and Ukraine, which in the end only served as scaremongering.
- **Best Coverage:** ESPN for having the genius to hire Michael Ballack.
- **Game of the Tournament:** Tie between Portugal vs. Netherlands and Sweden vs. England.

JUNE 8, 2012 - JUNE 11, 2012

Group Stage Matchday 1



Orange Parade in Kharkiv. (Photo Credit: Aleksandr Osipov)

The first group games were full of shocking upsets, great fan support and some wonderful goals. After the last game of matchday one, no one could have predicted what Groups A and B had in store.

Poland 1 - Greece 1

Match Facts

- Poland Goals: Lewandowski '17.
- Greece Goals: Salpingidis '51.
- Man of the Match: Robert Lewandowski.
- Match Venue: National Stadium, Warsaw, Poland.
- Poland head coach Franciszek Smuda's first competitive match in charge.
- Going in, Greece were unbeaten in their last 10 competitive fixtures.
- Only Poland's second Euro finals appearance.
- Greece were the Euro 2004 winners, defeating Portugal 1-0 in the final held in Lisbon, Portugal.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
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- [Guardian Live Blog](#).



Polish fans in Warsaw. ([Photo Credit: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland](#))

In the opening match of the tournament, Poland and Greece drew 1-1, but the real story was the red cards. Lewandowski of Poland scored the opener in the 17th minute, and Greece's troubles got worse when Papastathopoulos was very harshly sent off in the 44th minute.

There seemed to be little hope for Greece at that point, but they tied it up after half time thanks to

Salpingidis. The game looked to be favoring the Greeks when Poland's goalkeeper Szczesny was sent off for bringing down Salpingidis.

However, the hosts had luck on their side, as his replacement Tyton saved the resulting penalty taken by Karagounis in the 69th minute.

Russia 4 - Czech Republic 1



Euro 2012 match ball. ([Photo Credit: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland](#))

Russia rolled easily over the Czech Republic's weak defense 4-1, proving that they had a right to the claim of being the tournament's dark horse. Two early goals from Dzagoev in the 15th minute and Shirokov in the 24th really knocked the Czechs out of the match, although they attempt-

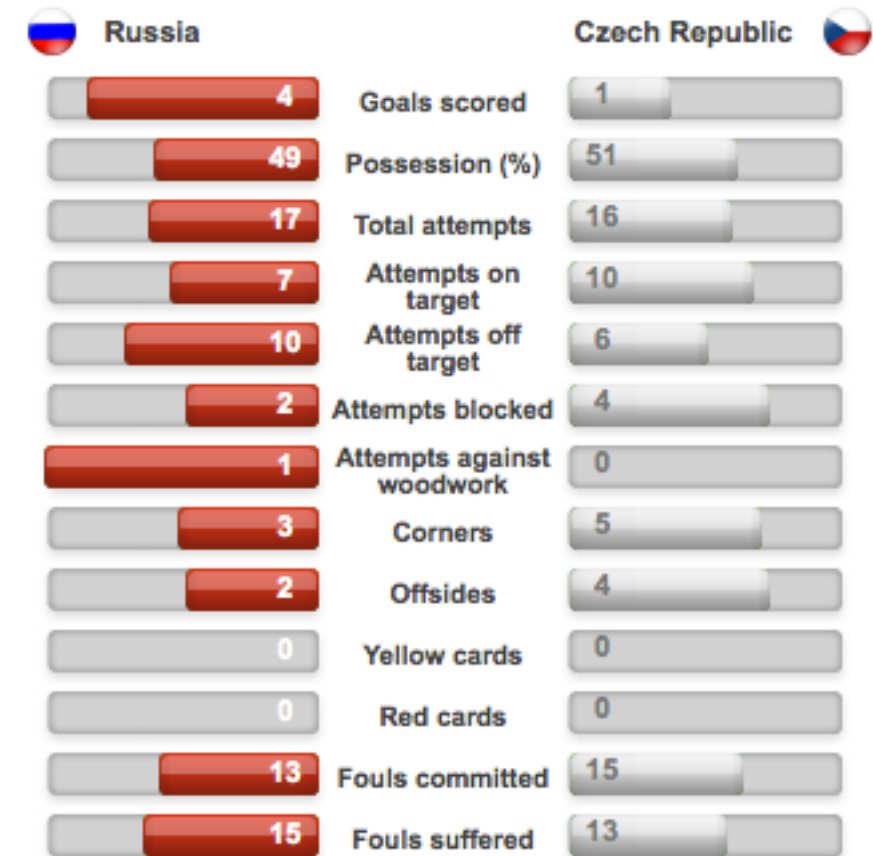
ed to come back in the 52nd minute thanks to a goal from Pilař.

The comeback was not meant to be, however, as Dzagoev got his second goal in the 79th minute and Pavlyuchenko sealed the win beyond doubt three minutes later.

Match Facts

- Russia Goals: Dzagoev '15, '79, Shirokov '24, Pavluchenko '82.
- Czech Republic Goals: Pilař '52.
- Man of the Match: Alan Dzagoev.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Wroclaw, Wroclaw, Poland.
- Before the match Russia were unbeaten in their last 14 matches and had conceded only two goals in their last 11 games.
- Czech captain Petr Cech's first competitive match since the Champions League final, where he saved three penalties (one in extra time, two in a PK shootout) to help Chelsea win the title.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
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- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group A Stats



Group A

	P	Pts
 Russia	1	3
 Greece	1	1
 Poland	1	1
 Czech Republic	1	0

Netherlands 0 - Denmark 1

Match Facts



Fans at the Holland Parade in Kharkiv. ([Photo Credit: Aleksandr Osipov](#))

Denmark shocked the world by upsetting tournament favorites Netherlands 1-0 in a game in which Holland looked tired and missed big chances. Denmark played smartly and didn't let up on attacking after Michael Krohn-Dehli scored in the 24th minute. Holland had 28 shots, but only eight of those were on target. Conversely, Denmark had eight shots total, and all eight shots were on target.

This was called the Group of Death for a reason, with all four teams being ranked in the top 10 FIFA standings, but most were referring to just three teams and thought Denmark would be the weakest squad. Instead Holland's next game would be a must win for the Dutch or there would be little chance of the side progressing out of the group.

- Denmark Goals: Krohn-Dehli '24.
- Man of the Match: Michael Krohn-Dehli.
- Match Venue: Metalist Stadium, Kharkiv, Ukraine.
- Prior to the match Denmark had not beaten Holland in eight matches. Their last win was in 1967.
- Both teams are previous winners of the tournament; Holland in 1988 and Denmark in 1992.
- Holland beat Denmark 2-0 in the group stage of the 2010 World Cup (Holland lost in the final to Spain).
- Holland had won just three of their last seven official games coming into the tournament.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Germany 1 - Portugal 0

Match Facts

- Germany Goals: Gomez '72.
- Man of the Match: Mesut Özil.
- Match Venue: Arena Lviv, Lviv, Ukraine.
- Germany won all 10 of their qualifying matches and had not lost a competitive game since the 2010 World Cup semifinal vs. Spain.
- Portugal had not won in their last three matches (two draws, one loss).
- The two teams met in the Euro 2008 quarterfinals. Germany won 3-2.
- Seven of Germany's players started for Bayern Munich in the Champions League loss against Chelsea.
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- [Guardian Live Blog](#).



A German supporter at the Fanmeile in Berlin. ([Photo Credit: Oliver Hohlfeld](#))

In less of a surprise than the first Group B match, Germany beat Portugal with a Mario Gomez goal in the 72nd minute. It was questioned whether Gomez would start, even with his 12 Champions League goals (second during the season only to Messi), but he proved his worth with a great header. Pepe had the ball partly across the goal line in the first half, though it was correctly judged to have not been a goal.

The game really was more about both defenses, who performed well, until Gomez's goal started to spark Portugal's offense. Germany's young defense was superb in blocking Portugal's chances in the last 20 minutes of the match, which came fast and furious. Both teams will have been bolstered by their performances in the game.

Group B Stats



Group B		
	P	Pts
Germany	1	3
Denmark	1	3
Netherlands	1	0
Portugal	1	0

Spain 1 - Italy 1

Match Facts

- Italy Goals: Di Natale '60.
- Spain Goals: Fabregas '64.
- Man of the Match: Andrés Iniesta.
- Match Venue: Arena Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland.
- Spain were the current European champions, beating Germany 1-0 in the 2008 final.
- Italy have only lost once in an outright competitive match to Spain; at the 1920 Olympics.
- Spain won all eight of their qualifying games.
- Italy had lost their last three games coming into the competition.
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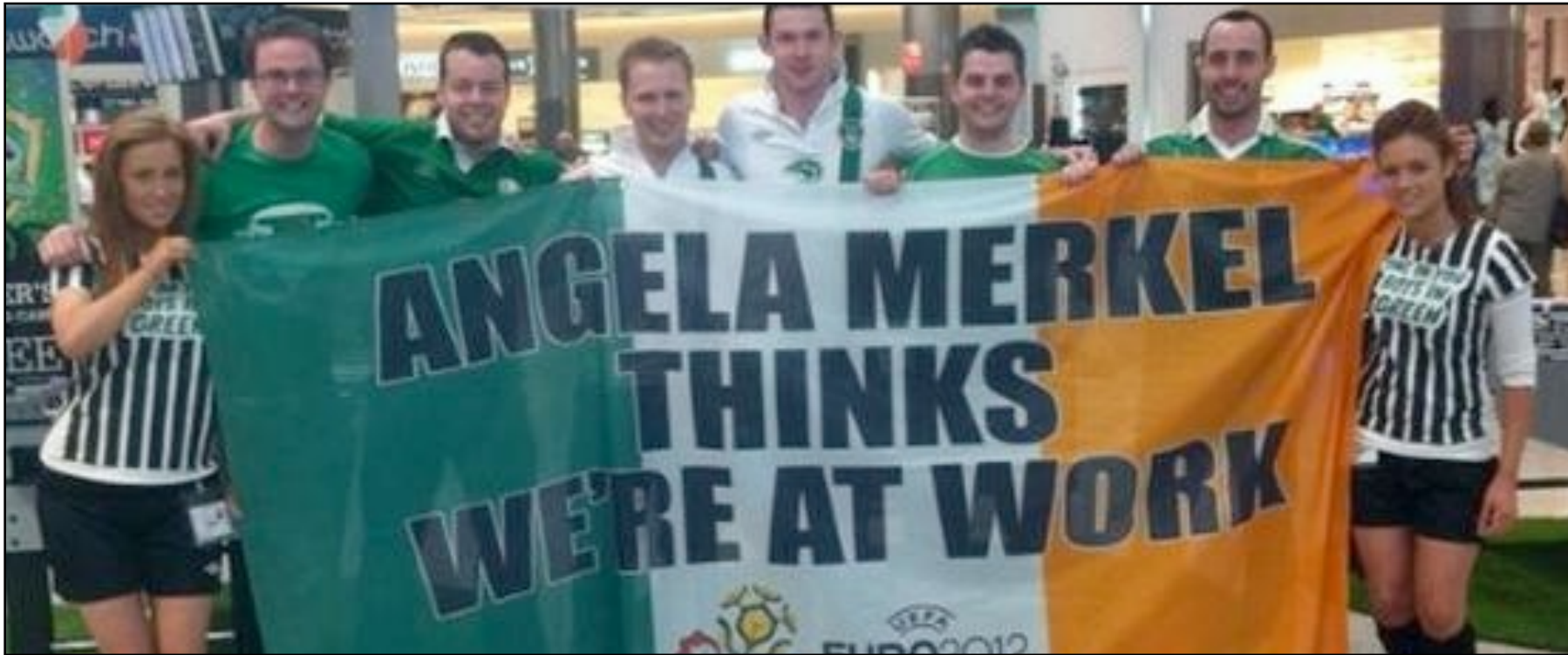
Italy fans of young and old. (Photo Credit: Maurilio Di Cicco)

Italy and Spain drew 1-1 in a great tactical match that pitted the 2006 World Cup champions against the 2010 winners. Di Natale scored in the 60th minute after coming on as a sub, only for Fabregas to score less than five minutes later. Del Bosque curiously had no striker in Spain's starting formation, and Spain didn't look as fresh as

expected while Italy may have exceeded expectations after their recent friendly loss to Russia.

This wasn't likely to faze the Spanish squad after a tough opening match two years ago in which they lost to Switzerland and still ultimately took home the trophy.

Ireland 1 - Croatia 3



Irish fans' great banner aimed at the Eurozone crisis. ([Photo Credit: Damian Mac Con Uladh](#))

The second match of the group, a 3-1 win in favor of Croatia over Ireland, sure was lively and entertaining. Ireland let in a pretty easy goal from a Mandžukić header in just the third minute, but Ireland seemed to be getting back into it after St Ledger scored from a free kick in the 19th minute. Though the two teams were pretty even on total shots struck, it was not to be for the Irish

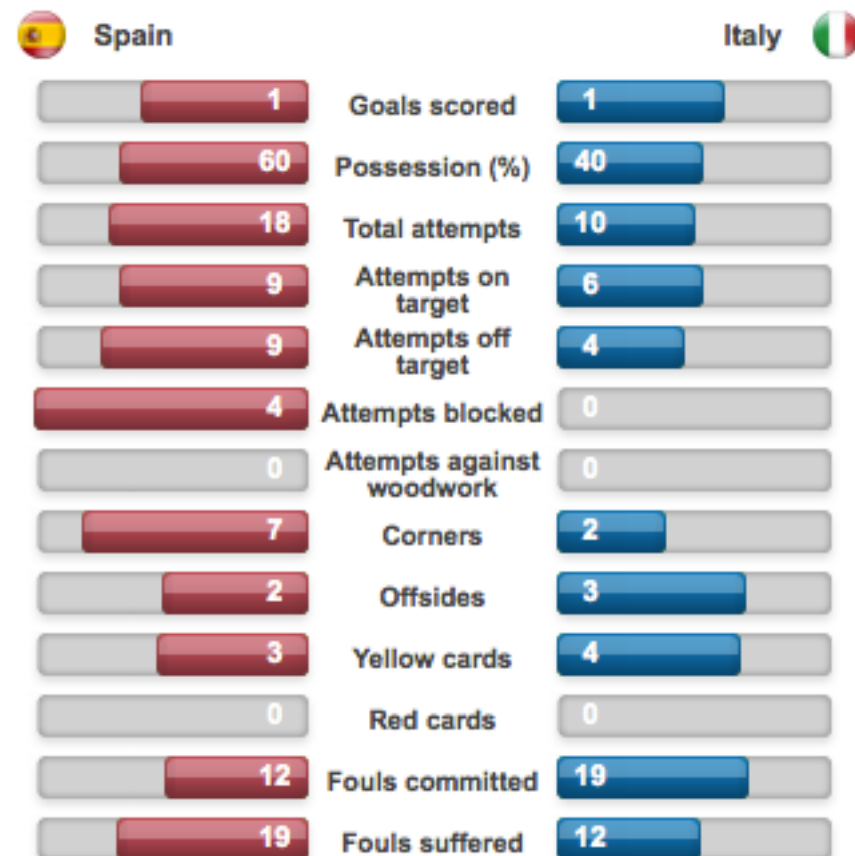
as Croatia made the most of their chances and went ahead thanks to a Jelavic goal just before the half after an Irish busted clearance.

The goal was followed in the 48th minute by another goal from Mandžukić, and after that Ireland could not find their way back into the game.

Match Facts

- Croatia Goals: Mandžukić '3, '48, Jelavic '43.
- Ireland Goals: St Ledger '19.
- Man of the Match: Mario Mandžukić.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Poznan, Poznan, Poland.
- Ireland's first finals game since the 2002 World Cup.
- The two sides met in 2011 in a 0-0 friendly.
- Coming into the game Ireland had not lost in 14 matches and Croatia had won just one of their last four.
- The last competition for Slaven Bilić as Croatia's coach before taking over at FC Lokomotiv Moskva.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group C Stats



Group C

	P	Pts
 Croatia	1	3
 Spain	1	1
 Italy	1	1
 Republic of Ireland	1	0

France 1 - England 1

Match Facts

- England Goals: Lescott '30.
- France Goals: Nasri '39.
- Man of the Match: Samir Nasri.
- Match Venue: Donbass Arena, Donetsk, Ukraine.
- France were on a 21-game unbeaten run coming into the match.
- Laurent Blanc and Roy Hodgson were both making their competitive debuts as managers of their respective teams.
- Wayne Rooney was unavailable for the first two games due to suspension.
- France had not lost in their last five games against England.
- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)



A French fan. ([Photo Credit: Iaroslava Rizova](#))

In their opening match France and England drew 1-1, with both goal scorers teammates in the Premier League at Manchester City. Lescott scored for England in the 30th minute and England looked to be on their way to a win, but Nasri scored the equalizer less than 10 minutes later. After that France were easily the better team, with the French having 19 attempted shots to

only England's three. England's defense put in a great shift and blocked eight of France's shots, saving their point.

With the draw and from their displays, England and France likely gained confidence of getting out of the group.

Ukraine 2 - Sweden 1

Match Facts

- Ukraine Goals: Shevchenko '55, '61.
- Sweden Goals: Ibrahimovic '52.
- Man of the Match: Andriy Shevchenko.
- Match Venue: Olympic Stadium, Kyiv, Ukraine.
- Sweden had won all four of their games played in 2012 prior to the game. Ukraine had lost six of their last 11 matches.
- The first competitive fixture ever between the two sides.
- Only the Ukraine's second competitive tournament. In 2006 they reached the quarterfinals of the World Cup.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).



Ukrainian Fans in Lviv celebrate their victory. (Photo Credit: Konstantin Sergeyev)

Ukraine beat Sweden 2-1 in a great second half for the host nation in their first match ever in this tournament. Scoreless in the first 45 minutes, Ibrahimovic scored for Sweden after the half only for Ukraine's hero Shevchenko to tie it up three minutes later. Shevchenko then scored the winner in

the 61st minute, and the host country were likely to celebrate this win for a long time.

Despite the win, both sides were evenly matched, with the only real discrepancy being the scoreline and number of fouls committed.

Group D Stats



Group D

	P	Pts
Ukraine	1	3
England	1	1
France	1	1
Sweden	1	0

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Group Stage Matchday 2



Polish fans in the stands against Russia.. (Photo Credit: Kancelaria Premiera)

The second round of group matches had some of the best match-ups in Europe, such as the Netherlands vs. Germany, Portugal against Denmark and Poland taking on Russia.

Greece 1 - Czech Republic 2



Greek and Czech fans show support before the match. ([Photo Credit: Kai P.](#))

After Russia's 4-1 win over the Czech Republic in their opener, it would have been easy to predict the Czechs had little hope left to get out of their group, but they proved they still have life with a rousing 2-1 win over Greece. Against Greece's two new central defenders, Jiracek and Pilař scored within the first six minutes. The feat was

the fastest two-goal lead in the history of the tournament.

Instead of giving up, Greece came alive in the second half and got a goal back in the 53rd minute thanks to Gekas, but the two early goals were too much to overcome.

Match Facts

- Czech Republic Goals: Jiracek '3, Pilař '6.
- Greece Goals: Gekas '53.
- Man of the Match: Václav Pilař.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Wroclaw, Wroclaw, Poland.
- The sides' last Euro meeting was in the 2004 semifinals when Greece won in extra time.
- Sokratis Papastathopoulos was suspended due to his red card during the Poland match.
- The Czechs 4-1 defeat to Russia was their worst ever in the finals of a major tournament.
- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)

Poland 1 - Russia 1

Match Facts

- Russia Goals: Dzagoev '37.
- Poland Goals: Błaszczykowski '57.
- Man of the Match: Jakub Błaszczykowski.
- Match Venue: National Stadium Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland.
- Wojciech Szczęsny was suspended for the game due to getting sent off against Greece.
- Russia had the oldest average age of forwards in the tournament at 30.
- Before the match the sides had met three times, with each team winning once and one draw.
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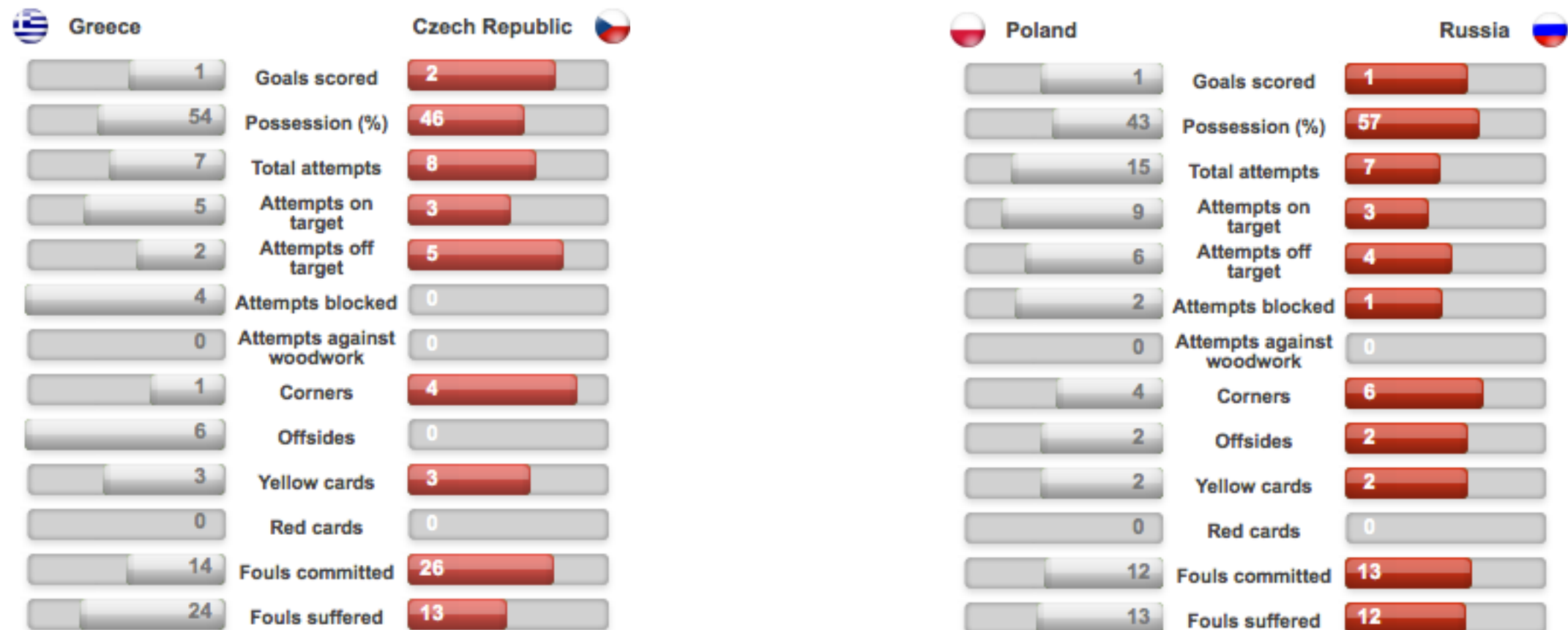
Błaszczykowski celebrates his goal. ([Photo Credit: Kancelaria Premiera](#))

Fighting and protests took place before the match, but the Poland vs. Russia game was marked by beautiful play from both teams in a 1-1 draw. Dzagoev scored his third goal of the tournament off an Arshavin free kick close to half-time after some wasted chances from Poland, though Poland rescued a point in the 57th min-

ute with a Błaszczykowski screamer that gave hope to the co-hosts for making it out of the group.

With that, the first and last place teams in Group A were within three points of each other, meaning any of the four could advance to the quarterfinals.

Group A Stats



Group A

	P	Pts
Russia	2	4
Czech Republic	2	3
Poland	2	2
Greece	2	1

Denmark 2 - Portugal 3



The view inside Arena Lviv. ([Photo Credit: Kai P.](#))

After a great comeback from Denmark, Portugal won 3-2 thanks to a Varela goal with three minutes remaining in the game. Pepe scored in the 24th minute and Postiga followed in the 36th, but Bendtner's goal before the half seemed to spark Denmark back to life. Bendtner scored again in the second half and the game seemed set for a

draw until Varela was subbed on and immediately made an impact.

No one will be more relieved than Ronaldo, who had a very poor game. The result meant both teams were even on three points in the group with one game left to play.

Match Facts

- Portugal Goals: Pepe '24, Postiga '36, Varela '87.
- Denmark Goals: Bendtner '41, '80.
- Man of the Match: Pepe.
- Match Venue: Arena Lviv, Lviv, Ukraine.
- Denmark had won three of the last five meetings between the two sides before the match.
- Bendtner has scored in every match he has played against Portugal.
- Rui Patricio became Portugal's youngest ever goalkeeper to play in a final tournament at age 24 years and 115 days.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Netherlands 1 - Germany 2

Match Facts

- Germany Goals: Gomez '24, '38.
- Netherlands Goals: Robin van Persie '73.
- Man of the Match: Mario Gomez.
- Match Venue: Metalist Stadium, Kharkiv, Ukraine.
- The Germany-Holland rivalry is one of the biggest in all of football. [Read about its history.](#)
- The 39th meeting of the teams.
- Holland had only lost their opening match once before this tournament; in 1988, also the year they won the tournament.
- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)

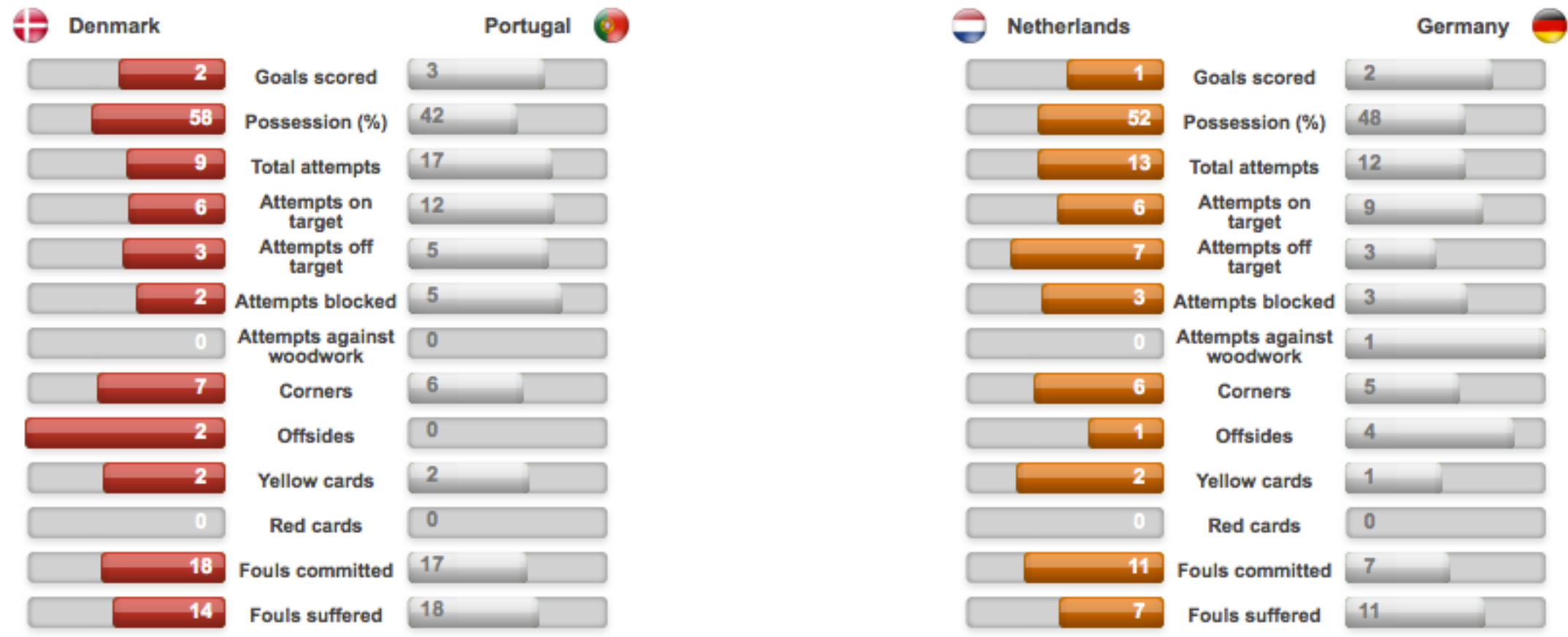


Fans in Leer, Germany. ([Photo Credit: Tom Tziros](#))

What a game! Mario Gomez scored twice for Germany in the first half, and Germany looked very much the better team until van Persie got one back in the 73rd minute. Right after the goal it looked like Holland could get a draw out of the match, but Germany steadied themselves and were in control until the final whistle.

With the 2-1 defeat Holland then had zero points and had to win their remaining game to have any chance of getting out of the group, which was quite a challenge for the pre-tournament favorites.

Group B Stats



Group B		
	P	Pts
Germany	2	6
Portugal	2	3
Denmark	2	3
Netherlands	2	0

Italy 1 - Croatia 1



Italy fans go wild in Switzerland. (Photo Credit: Gustave Deghilage)

Italy and Croatia played to a 1-1 draw in what Italy would consider a disappointing result given their strong opening half. After scoring from an excellent Pirlo free-kick in the 39th minute, the Italians looked well on their way to three points, but Croatia's Mandžukić scored the tying goal with less than 20 minutes left to play.

The Italians likely believed they should have gotten three points, but the result meant there was still a good chance they could make it out of the group with a win against Ireland in their last game and a win for Spain against Croatia, amongst many other points scenarios.

Match Facts

- Italy Goals: Pirlo '39.
- Croatia Goals: Mandžukić '72.
- Man of the Match: Andrea Pirlo.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Poznan, Poznan, Poland.
- Prior to the tournament Italy had never beaten Croatia in five competitive meetings (since the dissolution of Yugoslavia).
- During qualifying Italy conceded just two goals, the best record of any team.
- Mandžukić became only the second Croatian player to score a brace in a Euro Championship with his two goals against Ireland.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Spain 4 - Ireland 0

Match Facts

- Spain Goals: Torres '4, '70, Silva '49, Fabregas '82.
- Man of the Match: Fernando Torres.
- Match Venue: Arena Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland.
- Watch Ireland fans supporting their side with *The Fields of Athenry*. Just wonderful.
- Coming into the match Spain had not lost in 15 competitive matches, although the draw against Italy ended a 14-game winning streak.
- Spain defeated Ireland on penalties in the round of 16 at the 2002 World Cup in their last competitive meeting.
- UEFA Match Report.
- Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.
- Guardian Live Blog.



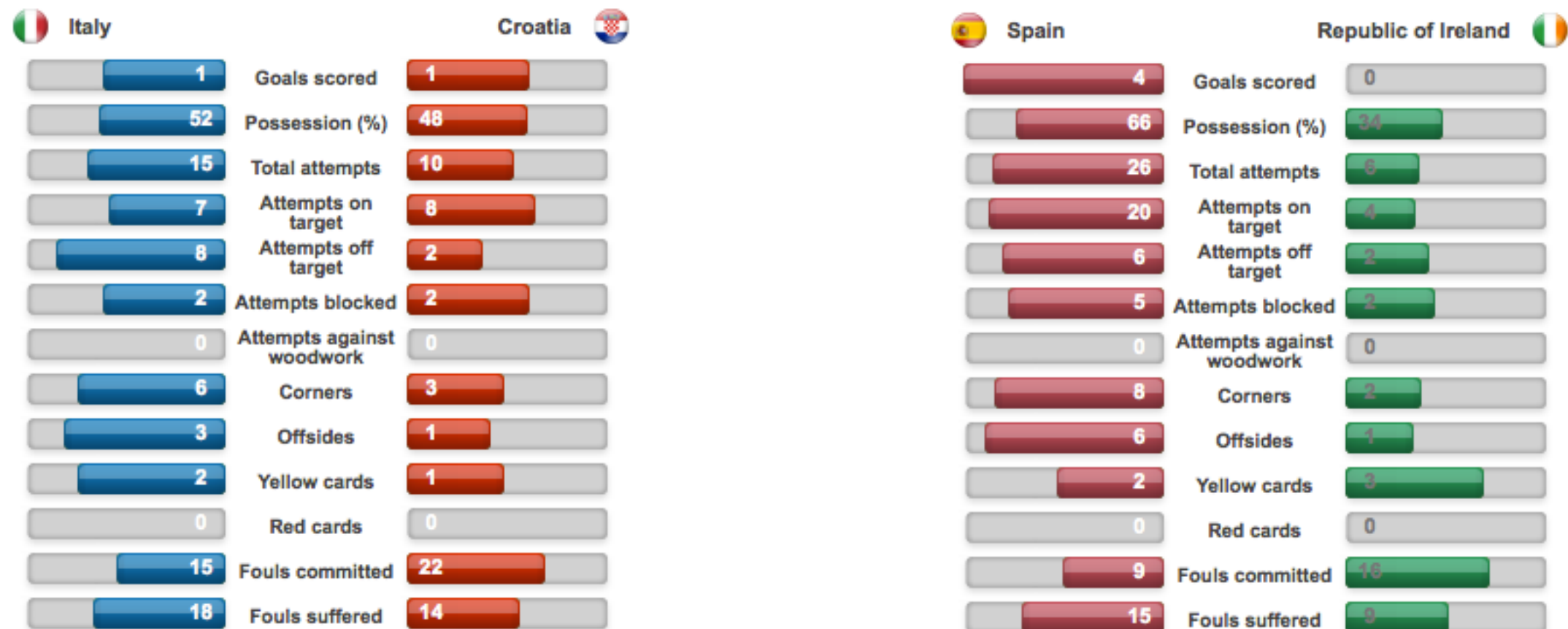
Irish fans in Poznan. (Photo Credit: Filip Wolny)

Unfortunately for Ireland, Spain seemed to be back to their old selves in their 4-0 win that mathematically eliminated Ireland from the tournament. Torres scored in 3 minutes and 49 seconds—the fastest Spanish goal in this tournament ever. Despite the early start, Spain didn't seem to be trying too hard for a second goal until Silva scored right after half time, which sparked

the team. Later goals came from Torres and Fabregas, and in total Spain had 26 attempted shots to Ireland's six.

Kudos needs to be given to the Irish fans, who sang and clapped until the very end, for supporting their team despite a rough tournament.

Group C Stats



Group C		
	P	Pts
Spain	2	4
Croatia	2	4
Italy	2	2
Republic of Ireland	2	0

Ukraine 0 - France 2

Match Facts

- France Goals: Menez '53, Cayabe '56.
- Man of the Match: Franck Ribéry.
- Match Venue: Donbass Arena, Donetsk, Ukraine.
- Ukraine has never beaten France in a competitive fixture.
- The two sides played a friendly in 2011, in which France won 4-1.
- France came into the game on a 22-game unbeaten run, but they had also not won a game in eight tournament matches.
- With his brace in the opener, Shevchenko scored two goals in a game for the first time since 2004.
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A French fan before the match. (Photo Credit: The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland)

A massive thunderstorm with great displays of lightning forced a game delay of close to an hour, but despite the wait France comfortably won 2-0 thanks to goals from Menez and Cayabe within three minutes of each other.

After that blow co-hosts Ukraine didn't look close to coming back into the game and their display was disappointing, although their opening

day result meant they were still in a position to make it out of the group.

Franck Ribéry had a great game, and France controlled the match with 11 shots on target compared to Ukraine's two.

Sweden 2 - England 3



The view inside the Olympic Stadium. (Photo Credit: Erik Cleves Kristensen)

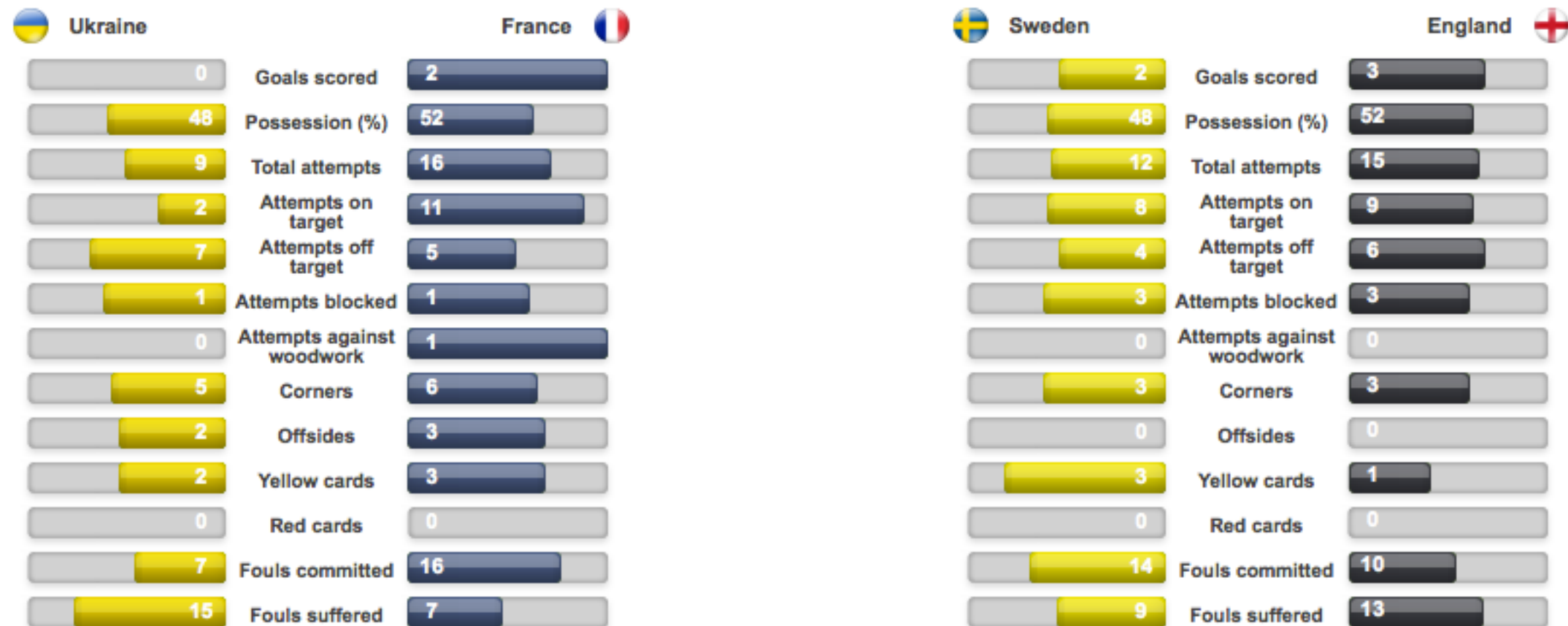
What a thriller of a match. England and Sweden started a little later because of the previous game's delay due to an electrical storm, but it certainly was worth the wait. England looked certain to win after a Carroll header in the opening half, but Sweden's Mellberg shocked the English after half-time with a goal and helped force an own goal from Johnson within a 10-minute span.

In response Walcott came on for Milner, which turned out to be an inspired substitution when he scored in the 64th minute. After that it was anyone's game, but it was England's Welbeck who struck the winning goal with a beautiful backheel. The result mathematically eliminated Sweden from the tournament.

Match Facts

- England Goals: Carroll '23, Walcott '64, Welbeck '78.
- Sweden Goals: Johnson (OG) '49, Mellberg '59.
- Man of the Match: Olof Mellberg.
- Match Venue: Olympic Stadium, Kyiv, Ukraine.
- Prior to the tournament Sweden had never lost a competitive match to England.
- Ibrahimovic had scored in four consecutive matches before this game.
- Mellberg is the first Swede to figure in four Euros.
- Wayne Rooney served the last game of his UEFA ban.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group D Stats



Group D		
	P	Pts
France	2	4
England	2	4
Ukraine	2	3
Sweden	2	0

JUNE 16, 2012 - JUNE 19, 2012

Group Stage Matchday 3



Spanish fans in Gdansk. (Photo Credit: Krzysztof Wojciechowski)

In the final matchday there couldn't have been much more at stake as all four groups had at least three teams still able to reach the quarterfinals. In Groups A and B all four teams had the hope of advancing from their groups, which added exciting chaos to the matches.

Greece 1 - Russia 0

Match Facts

- Greece Goals: Karagounis '45+2.
- Man of the Match: Giorgos Karagounis.
- Match Venue: National Stadium Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland.
- Greece had never beaten Russia at a European Championship previously.
- Karagounis won his 120th cap for Greece, equalling Theodoros Zagorakis's national record.
- Greece had only won once in their previous seven games and had scored just one goal.
- Russia were on a 16-game undefeated streak before the match.
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Inside the National Stadium. ([Photo Credit: Anthony Kossoff](#))

Greece came out of the gates ready for a battle, and it paid off when Karagounis scored just before the half. Russia just couldn't get a goal back even though all they needed was a draw to get second place in the group. In the end Russia had a whopping 25 attempts, with 10 on target, but they just couldn't get any of them in the net.

With the loss Russia finished third in the group, which was not predicted by many after their 4-1 thrashing of the Czechs on matchday one, and Greece finished second.

Czech Republic 1 - Poland 0



Plašil takes a shot for the Czech Republic. (Photo Credit: Jarek Radimersky)

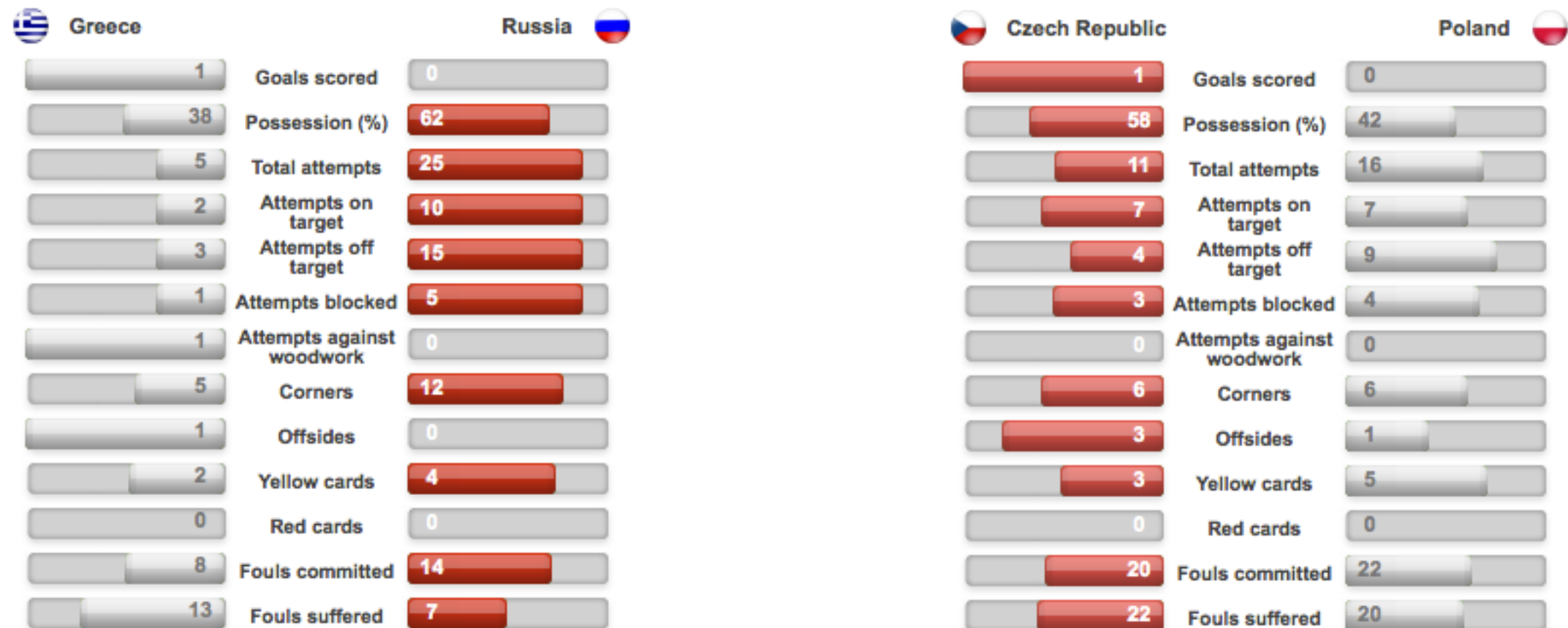
This was a wide open game thanks to poor showings from both team's midfields. After a scoreless opening half the tone became a little more frantic in the final 45 as both teams knew that if they did not score they would be out of the competition. Poland looked the better team in the first half, but the Czechs seemed the most likely to score after half-time.

This proved true when Jiráček scored in the 72nd minute, sending Poland out of the competition and the Czechs to the top of the group. The Czechs and Greeks, the two most unlikely to make it out of Group A based on matchday one performances, were into the quarterfinals.

Match Facts

- Czech Republic Goals: Jiráček '72.
- Man of the Match: Petr Jiráček.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Wroclaw, Wroclaw, Poland.
- Poland were unbeaten in eight matches coming into the game.
- Jiráček had only scored his first international goal in qualifying in November 2011.
- The result meant co-host Poland left the competition without a win. The Czechs won their last two games after their 4-1 defeat by Russia.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group A Stats



Group A		
	P	Pts
Czech Republic	3	6
Greece	3	4
Russia	3	4
Poland	3	2

Portugal 2 - Netherlands 1



The action inside Metalist Stadium. ([Photo Credit: Irene Mei](#))

Watching the Group B games simultaneously was beyond words as all four teams had the ability to make it into the quarterfinals. Holland started off the better side with a screamer from van der Vaart, but after that Portugal took control of the game. In the 28th minute Ronaldo finally got his goal, and realistically he could have had a hat-trick by halftime. He scored his second

in the 74th minute, and Holland didn't look like they could get back into it after that.

With the result, Portugal reached the quarterfinals and Holland finished last in the group, much to everyone's surprise as they had entered the competition as one of the favorites to lift the trophy.

Match Facts

- Portugal Goals: Ronaldo '28, '74.
- Netherlands Goals: van der Vaart '11.
- Man of the Match: Cristiano Ronaldo.
- Match Venue: Metalist Stadium, Kharkiv, Ukraine.
- Before this year Holland had never lost their first two group matches, let alone all three. They had only lost their first game once before.
- Holland had 41 attempts at goal in the tournament, but just 14 on target.
- Portugal have only lost to Holland once in a competitive game, a 1-0 defeat in 1991.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Denmark 1 - Germany 2

Match Facts

- Germany Goals: Podolski '19, Bender '80.
- Denmark Goals: Krohn-Dehli '24.
- Man of the Match: Lukas Podolski.
- Match Venue: Arena Lviv, Lviv, Ukraine.
- Prior to the match Denmark had won seven of their last 10 matches.
- Lars Bender replaced Jérôme Boateng, who was suspended due to yellow card accumulation.
- In the first two matches Gomez scored three goals from just six attempts. He scored two against Holland even though he had the ball a total of only 18 seconds.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).



German fans in front of the Reichstag, Berlin. ([Photo Credit: Simon Krajnyak](#))

Podolski became the youngest player in European history to get his 100th cap, and he celebrated with a goal before the 20-minute mark. But even though Germany had the better chances, Denmark tied it up five minutes later thanks to Krohn-Dehli. Their set pieces and attack really seemed to trouble Germany until Lars Bender scored with 10 minutes left to play, deflat-

ing Denmark's hopes. The teams were pretty evenly matched overall, and if just the one Danish chance that hit the woodwork went in, then Germany would have gone out instead.

This was the first time Germany had won all three of their group games in the Euros. With that, Germany topped the group and Denmark finished third.

Group B Stats



Group B

	P	Pts
 Germany	3	9
 Portugal	3	6
 Denmark	3	3
 Netherlands	3	0

Croatia 0 - Spain 1

Match Facts

- Spain Goals: Navas '88.
- Man of the Match: Andrés Iniesta.
- Match Venue: Arena Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland.
- The match was the first competitive meeting between the two sides.
- The teams had played four friendlies previously, with Spain winning two of them (most recently in 2006).
- Mandžukić had four shots on target in the tournament before this fixture and scored with three of them.
- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)



Spanish fans in Gdansk. ([Photo Credit: Krzysztof Wojciechowski](#))

After so many quick goals in Group B, both games in Group C started more slowly. Spain and Croatia had the benefit of playing for a draw while Italy vs. Ireland remained scoreless, which caused the game to initially lack urgency. In the first half Croatia were unlucky to not be awarded a penalty, but beyond that there was little action. After the half with Croatia knowing one goal would put them into the

quarterfinals and Spain out, things got much more nervy. Croatia easily could have scored if not for fantastic goalkeeping from Casillas, and they looked more likely to get the winner than Spain for most of the half. But with two minutes left to play, Navas scored and put Spain on top of the group.

Italy 2 - Ireland 0



A fan's view outside of the beautiful stadium. ([Photo Credit: Helmut Boettcher](#))

The tone was more frantic in this last game of Group C, at least from Italy's play, as Ireland were already eliminated and Italy needed to score to have a chance to advance. They got their go-ahead goal 10 minutes before half-time thanks to a Cassano header. This game livened up after the half, and Ireland played probably their best football in the tournament. Especially in the last

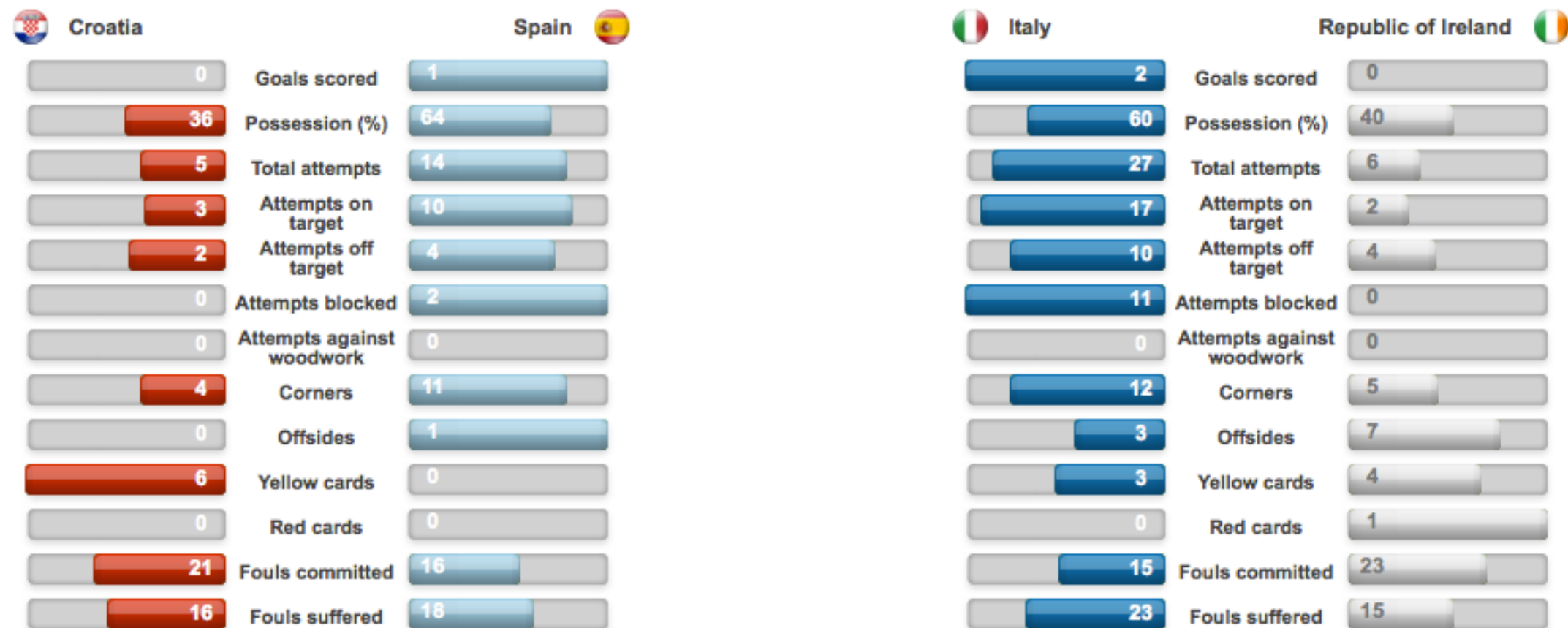
20 minutes Italy began to buckle under Irish pressure, but Italy's goalkeeper Buffon had a great game in goal. Mario Balotelli shored up the win for Italy with a goal in the final minutes.

Italy went through second in the group behind Spain, and Ireland finished fourth.

Match Facts

- Italy Goals: Cassano '35, Balotelli '90+0.
- Man of the Match: Antonio Cassano.
- Match Venue: Municipal Stadium Poznan, Poznan, Poland.
- Italy have only lost to Ireland twice in competitive fixtures.
- Before the result Italy had not won in six tournament finals games, the worst run in their history.
- Damien Duff won his 100th cap for Ireland.
- Italy attempted 27 chances, with Ireland blocking 11.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group C Stats



Group C		
	P	Pts
Spain	3	7
Italy	3	5
Croatia	3	4
Republic of Ireland	3	0

Sweden 2 - France 0

Match Facts

- Sweden Goals: Ibrahimovic '54, Larsson '90.
- Man of the Match: Zlatan Ibrahimovic.
- Match Venue: Olympic Stadium, Kyiv, Ukraine.
- [Ibrahimovic's goal in slow-mo gif form.](#)
- The result snapped France's 23-game unbeaten run.
- The first competitive match between the teams since 1993.
- Previously Sweden had never beaten France in the European Championship in three meetings.
- The last time Sweden had beaten France was 1969 in a World Cup qualifier.
- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)



An incredibly French fan. ([Photo Credit: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Poland](#))

France started the match poorly and Sweden, who had already been eliminated, looked the better side throughout. France began the game aware any point would get them through no matter the other game's score, and that may have made them complacent at the start. Around the half-hour mark they got more into the game, but in the 54th minute Sweden's Ibrahimovic scored

possibly the goal of the tournament. After that, Sweden had a succession of wonderful chances that were all thwarted by a great display from Lloris, though Larsson added a second goal to their tally in extra time. Despite the loss, France finished second in the group and Sweden fourth with three points.

England 1 - Ukraine 0



English fans in Donetsk, Ukraine. ([Photo Credit: Dmitri Kruglikov](#))

Perhaps a little surprisingly, Ukraine started off the match much better than England, despite not starting Shevchenko and England getting Rooney back after his suspension. Almost all of the chances in the first half were from the co-hosts, and they should have gone ahead if not for some great defending by Lescott and Terry. But Ukraine rued those missed chances in the 48th

minute when Rooney scored, although it was a bit of a gift from the goalkeeper. After that England controlled the game, but they may have gotten repaid for Lampard's 2010 non-goal when Ukraine had a good goal that crossed the line not given (although neither was the player correctly called offside). England topped the group and would face Italy.

Match Facts

- England Goals: Rooney '48.
- Man of the Match: Steven Gerrard.
- Match Venue: Donbass Arena, Donetsk, Ukraine.
- England have defeated Ukraine in four of their last five meetings.
- Ukraine had 22 attempts, but 15 of those were off-target.
- The sides are already scheduled to meet twice (once in 2012 and once in 2013) for World Cup qualifying.
- England had not beaten a host of a tournament since 1954's win over Switzerland.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Group D Stats



Group D		
	P	Pts
England	3	7
France	3	4
Ukraine	3	3
Sweden	3	3

JUNE 21, 2012 - JUNE 24, 2012

Quarterfinals



German fans at the Fanmeile Berlin. (Photo Credit: SpreePiX - Berlin)

The remaining eight teams fought for their place in the semifinals, and they had to fight through a penalty shootout, technically proficient goals from the Germans and masterclass performances from Spain's Xabi Alonso and Portugal's midfield.

Czech Republic 0 - Portugal 1

Match Facts

- Portugal Goals: Ronaldo '79.
- Man of the Match: Cristiano Ronaldo.
- Match Venue: National Stadium Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland.
- Portugal had only 25 percent of their shots on target, but the Czechs had no shots on target in the match.
- Only the second tournament Portugal had lost their opening game. The first time was 2004, when they reached the final.
- Before the match the sides had faced each other twice in European competition, with both teams winning once.
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- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)



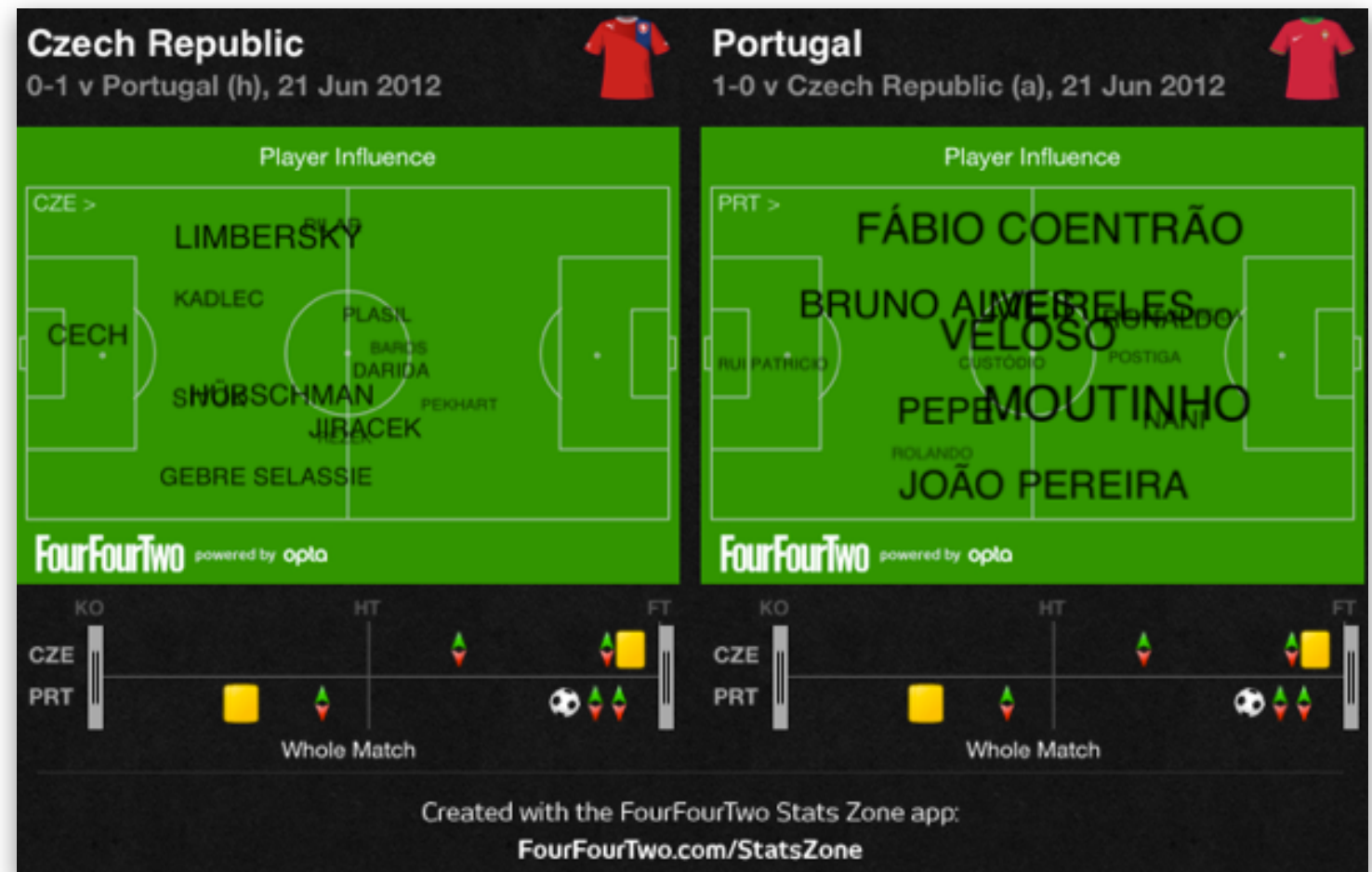
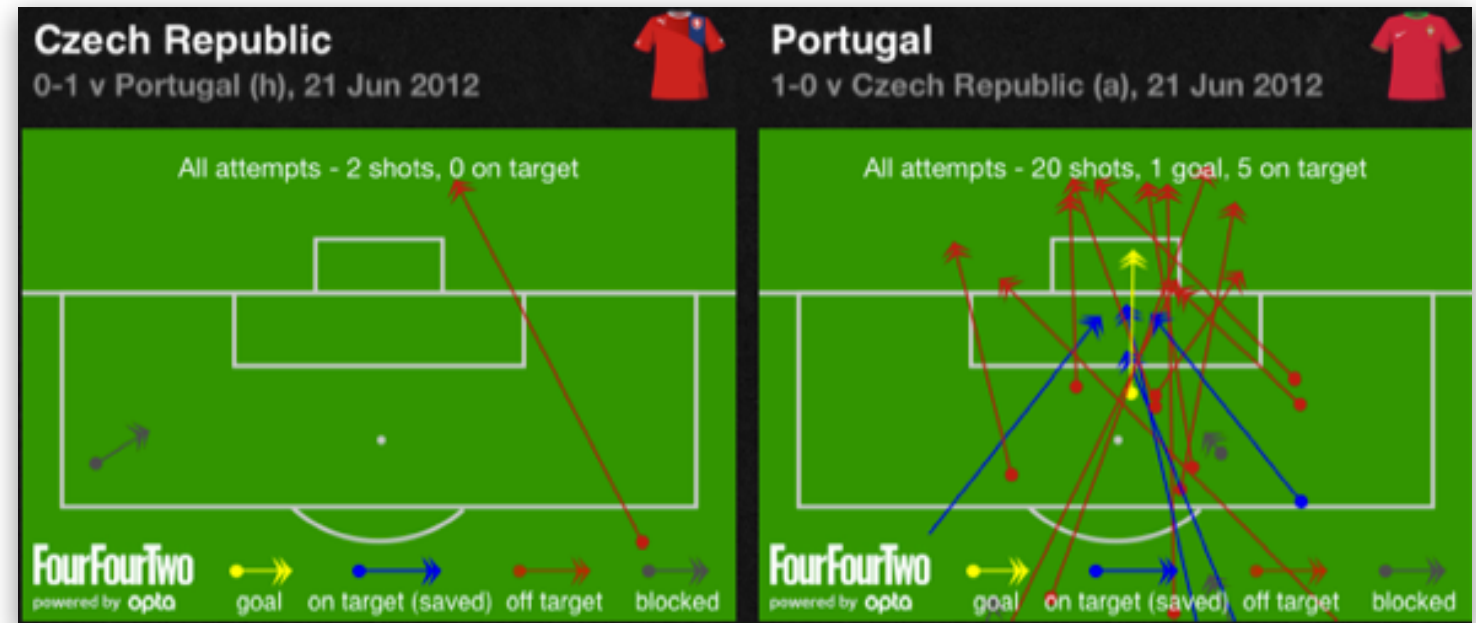
Portugal fans in Switzerland after defeating the Czech Republic. ([Photo Credit: Gustave Deghilage](#))

In the tunnel before kickoff both teams looked nervous, and they definitely played that way in the opening half. In the first 30 minutes there were few chances and little excitement while each country tried to settle into the match. What chances there were only came from the Czechs, save for a few looks on goal from Ronaldo. Near the end of the half, however, Portugal were the better side and Ronaldo was denied by the post

in stoppage time. This continued in the next 45 with an early post graze from a Ronaldo free-kick and with some great stops by Cech. Finally Ronaldo got his goal in the 79th minute from a header delivered by a Moutinho cross. Portugal will have seen this as a deserved result for their overall performance and that they should have scored more if not for Cech's great game.

Match Stats

Czech Republic		Portugal
0	Goals scored	1
44	Possession (%)	56
2	Total attempts	20
0	Attempts on target	5
2	Attempts off target	15
0	Attempts blocked	0
0	Attempts against woodwork	2
6	Corners	11
1	Offsides	3
1	Yellow cards	2
0	Red cards	0
13	Fouls committed	7
6	Fouls suffered	12



Germany 4 - Greece 2

Match Facts

- Germany goals: Lahm '39, Khedira '61, Klose '68, and Reus '74.
- Greece goals: Samaras '55, Salpingidis '89 (pen).
- Man of the Match: Mesut Özil.
- Match Venue: Arena Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland.
- Salpingidis' penalty was the first scored of the tournament, the latest occurrence of a first scored penalty in any Euro.
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- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

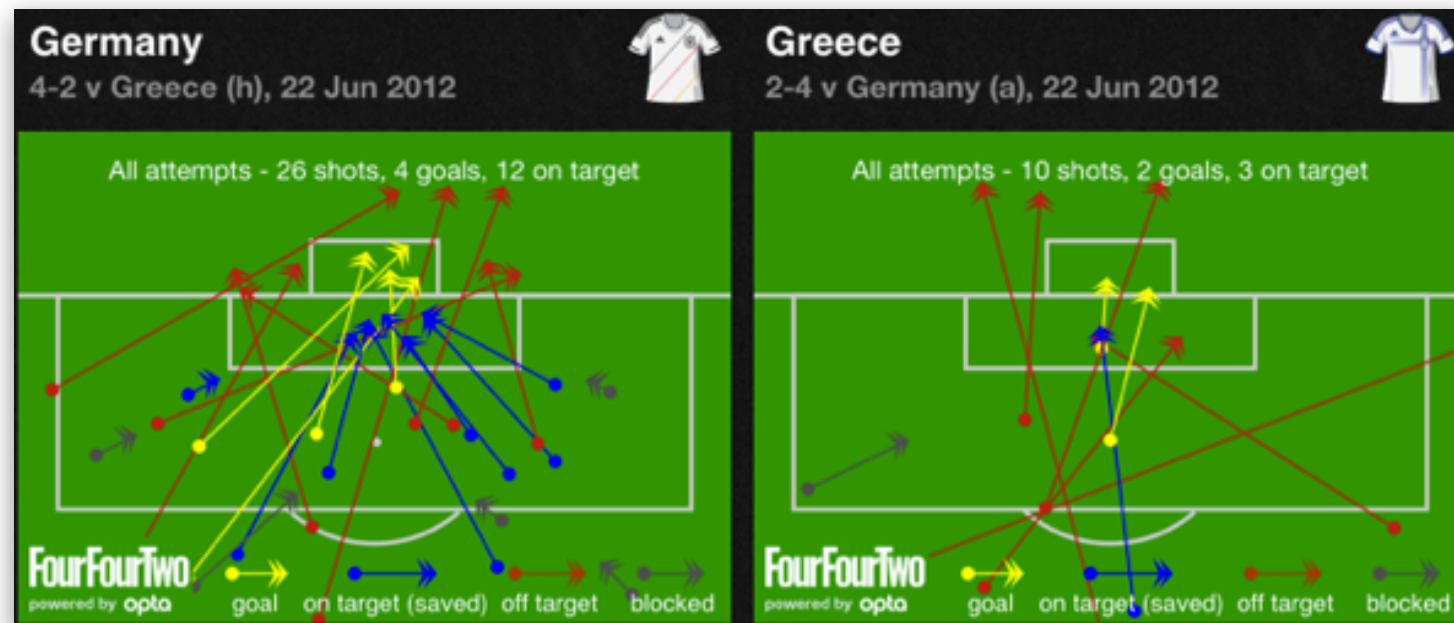


German fans celebrate after the match. (Photo Credit: Dennis Payk)

In the opening half Germany were far better than Greece in all areas of the pitch, but they could not get a goal early due to some good goalkeeping at times and just Germans missing the goal at other times. You can compare Greece's tactics to that of Chelsea's against Barcelona, but Greece didn't look threatening on the counter and lost the little possession they had much too easily. Finally in the 39th minute Lahm took matters into his own hands and put Germany up a goal, and no one can question whether Germany's play merited it.

But amazingly Greece engineered a great counter in the 55th minute that Samaras scored off of, and suddenly we had a game. Still, the Germans kept their composure and answered with a Khedira goal just five minutes later. Germany played even more aggressively when Müller came on for Schürrle, which paid off with a Klose header with 20 minutes left to play and Reus adding to that tally in the 74th minute. Greece's Salpingidis scored a penalty in the dying minutes, but it was much too late to get back into it.

Match Stats



All attempts - 26 shots, 4 goals, 12 on target

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goal on target (saved) off target blocked

All attempts - 10 shots, 2 goals, 3 on target

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goal on target (saved) off target blocked



Player Influence

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Whole Match

Germany	Greece
4	2
66	34
24	9
14	5
10	4
2	0
0	0
10	1
5	2
0	2
0	0
9	10
10	7

Spain 2 - France 0

Match Facts

- Spain Goals: Alonso '19, '90+1 (pen).
- Man of the Match: Xabi Alonso.
- Match Venue: Donbass Arena, Donetsk, Ukraine.
- Spain had never beaten France in a competitive fixture before this match.
- France have only won one game in a tournament final since the 2006 World Cup.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
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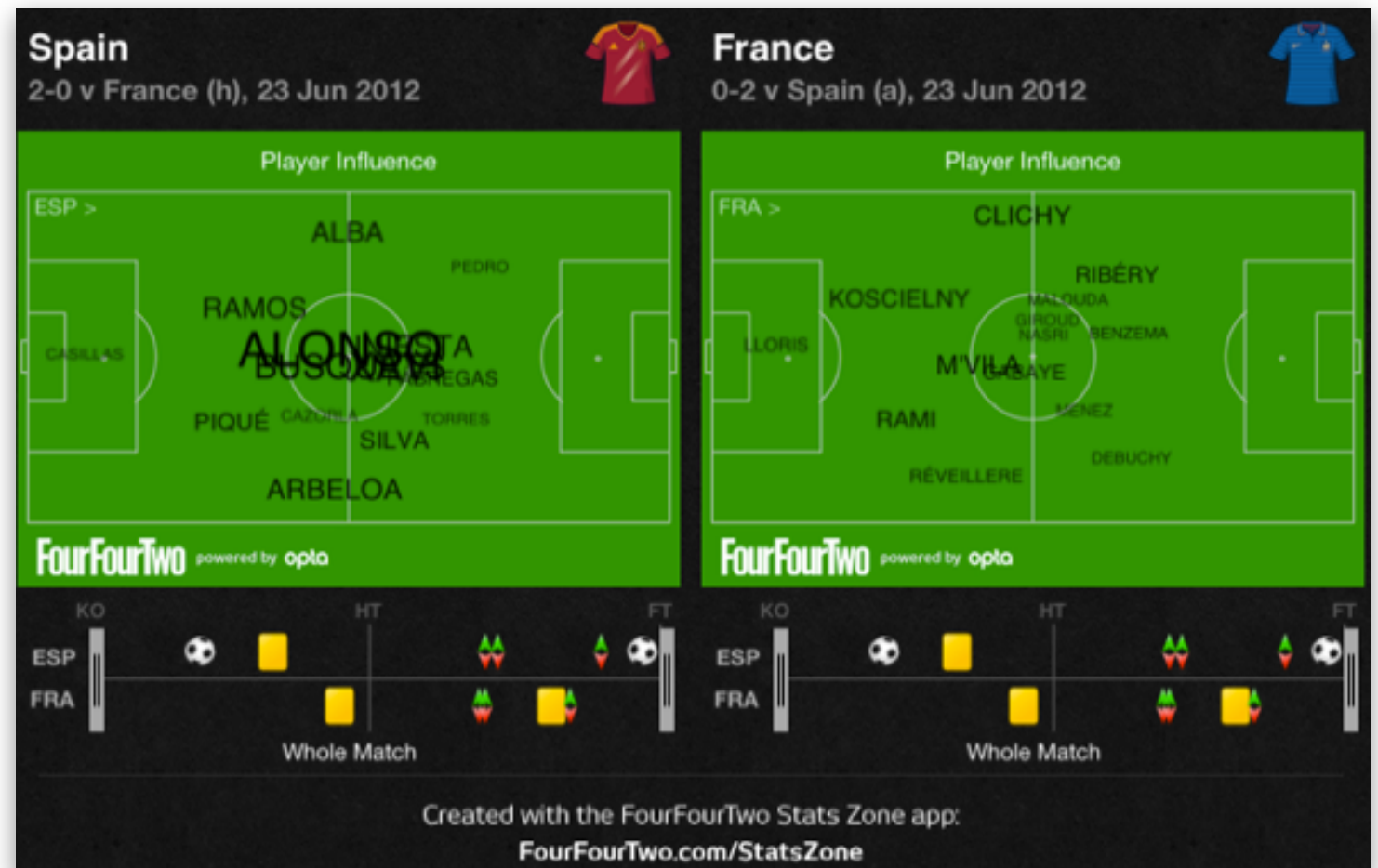
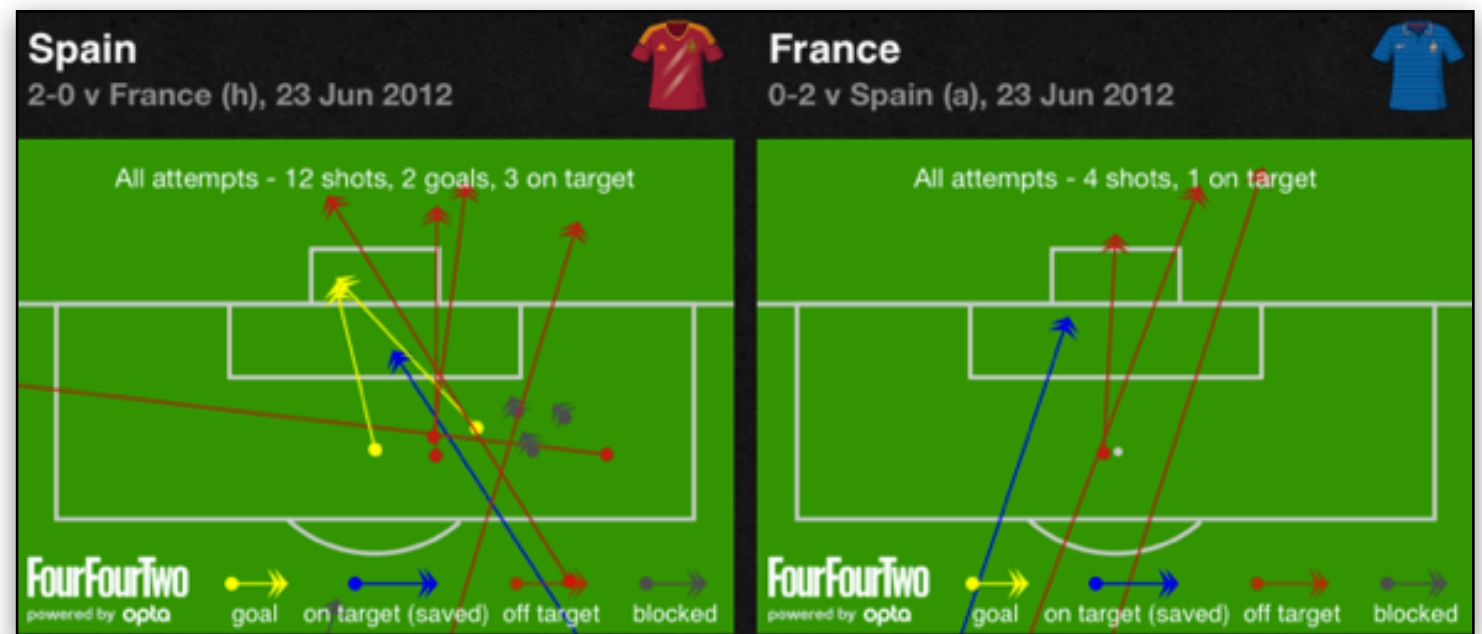
A Spanish boy supports his team. (Photo Credit: Ana GR)

The game started off quite sloppy from both sides, but once it settled Spain stamped their authority on it. France played very conservatively, and this led to Alonso putting the 2010 World and 2008 European champions up a goal in the 19th minute from a header. With that France were forced to start pressing, and they had a few decent chances in the half but did little to find an equalizer. After half-time France really stepped up their game and Spain had the

rare position of being on the back foot, but little of that pressure translated into shots. Despite the attack, Spain held on for the win, which was sealed by a stoppage time penalty scored by Alonso. It definitely wasn't an exciting or pretty game, but Spain did what they needed to do to reach the semifinals. France's second place in their group may mask their play, but the 2-0 defeat to Sweden turned out to be the most indicative result of their team.

Match Stats

Spain		France
2	Goals scored	0
55	Possession (%)	45
9	Total attempts	4
5	Attempts on target	1
4	Attempts off target	3
2	Attempts blocked	0
0	Attempts against woodwork	0
7	Corners	3
6	Offsides	1
1	Yellow cards	2
0	Red cards	0
6	Fouls committed	12
11	Fouls suffered	6



England 0 - Italy 0* (*4-2, pens)

The game started off in excellent fashion, with fantastic chances from both teams and equally fantastic saves from Buffon and England's goalpost. Since this was all in the first five minutes, the teams decided to settle into the game, with England getting more possession than the little they had to start but still letting Italy control most of the ball. Italy had the majority of the chances, though England's defense held strong.



Italy fans celebrating their trip to the semifinals. (Photo Credit: Gustave Deghilage)

After the half Italy really stepped up the pressure and should have been ahead. However, luck was on England's side, and once that became apparent the game really started to slow down to an agonizing pace and both teams seemed to be playing for extra time.

England had very little ambition in the extra 30 minutes, and once again Italy should have gone ahead but couldn't, which led to the dreaded / anticipated penalties. Balotelli scored for Italy first, followed by Gerrard making it level at 1-1. Montolivo missed the

next, and Rooney gave England the 2-1 advantage. Pirlo scored on an amazing Panenka-style penalty, which he deserved for being the player of the night.

Pirlo's penalty seemed to change the moods of both teams, and next Young hit the woodwork, putting Italy back in the shootout. Nocerino scored the next for Italy, making it 3-2, and then Cole missed. Diamanti scored the final penalty to give Italy the 4-2 victory and the trip to the semifinals, and England were once again out on penalties.

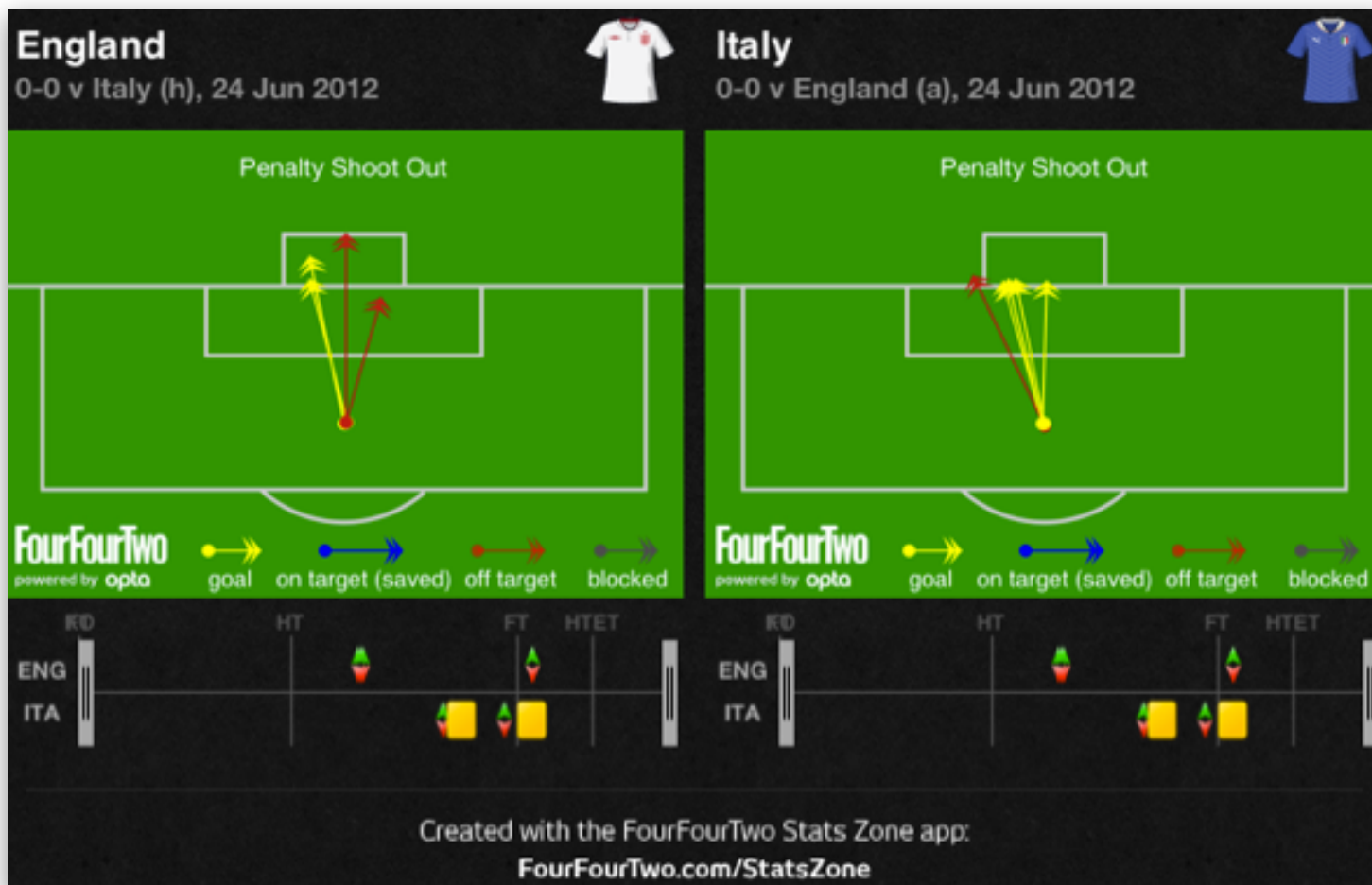
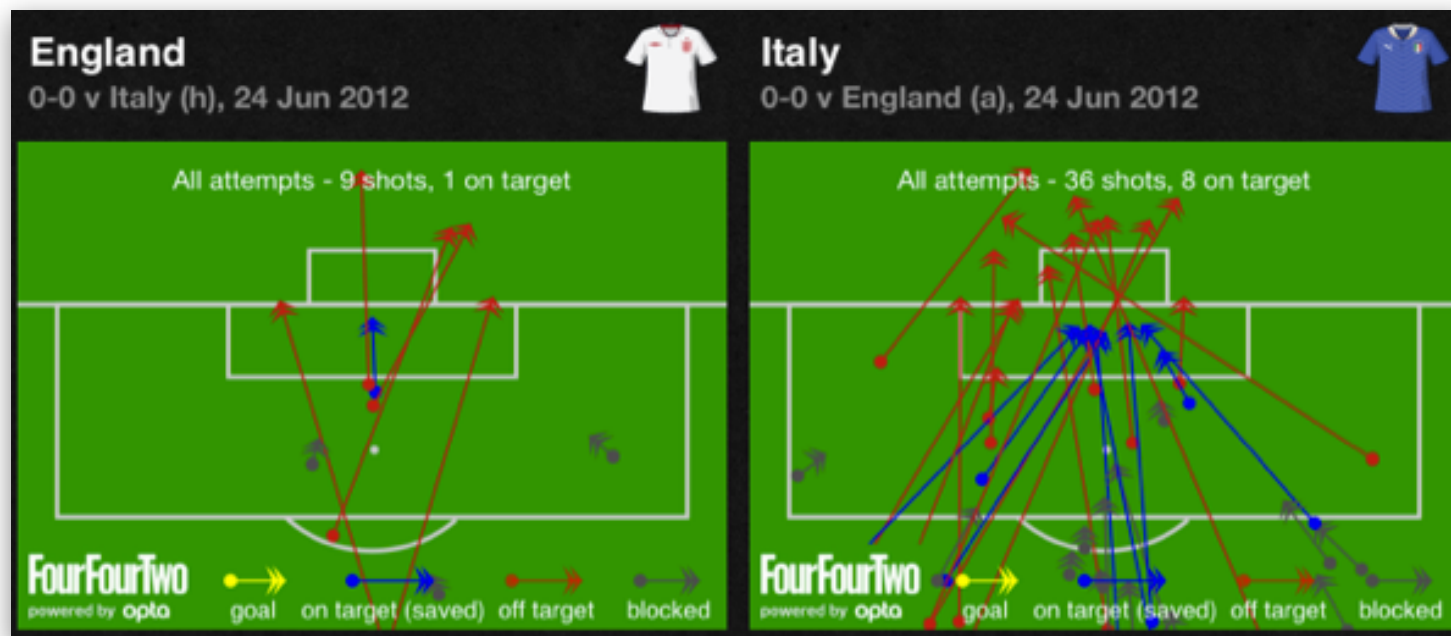
Match Facts

- Sequence of Penalty Kicks:
 - Balotelli scored. 1-0 to Italy.
 - Gerrard scored. 1-1.
 - Montolivo missed. 1-1.
 - Rooney scored. 2-1 to England.
 - Pirlo scored. 2-2.
 - Young missed. 2-2.
 - Nocerino scored. 3-2 to Italy.
 - Cole missed. 3-2.
 - Diamanti scored. Italy win 4-2.
- Man of the Match: Andrea Pirlo.
- Match Venue : Olympic Stadium, Kyiv, Ukraine.
- Only the second European Championship meeting between the two sides. Italy had previously defeated England 1-0 at the 1980 tournament.
- Italy had 20 shots on target during the 120 minutes while England only managed four.

Links

- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)

Match Stats



England	Italy
0	0
0	0
9	35
4	20
5	15
3	12
0	2
3	7
1	2
0	2
0	0
15	11
10	15

JUNE 27, 2012 - JUNE 28, 2012

Semifinals



Celebrations in London. (Photo Credit: Stefan Lange)

The four best teams in the tournament battled each other over two days, with Portugal taking on neighboring Spain and three-time World Cup winners Germany playing four-time winners Italy. One game would go to penalties, and one would see the tournament's biggest shocker.

Portugal 0 - Spain 0* (*4-2 pens)

The game started off slow, with Spain having the best chance within the first 10 minutes when the ball fell to Arbeloa, and around the 30th minute mark Iniesta had a great shot just miss. Portugal really looked the better side throughout the half, forcing Spain into mistakes, but they did not have any real chances on goal. Nani was also very lively and delivered the performance that many were disappointed was not seen from him in the group stages.



Spanish euphoria after the side's penalty shootout win. (Photo Credit: [Gustave Deghilage](#))

In the second half Portugal again seemed the better side, but they just couldn't get a goal, or near it. Though Spain didn't have their first shot on target until the 68th minute, they still looked more likely to score. In the dying minutes Ronaldo was open and shot the ball high in what was undoubtedly Portugal's best chance of regulation time.

So, extra time! Much like the previous 90, there were few shots. Finally around the 104th minute Iniesta forced the keeper Rui

Patricio to make a save, reminding us that he was there. Spain played much better after that, but Portugal's defense was solid and again we were rewarded with penalties after a scoreless game. With the first take Alonso's kick was saved, and unbelievably Moutinho was saved as well. Iniesta scored, followed by Pepe also scoring. Pique scored Spain's second, and Nani put it level at 2-2. Ramos scored on a Pirlo copycat, and next Alves hit the crossbar. All Spain needed was Fabregas to score, and he did so, sending Spain to the finals.

Match Facts

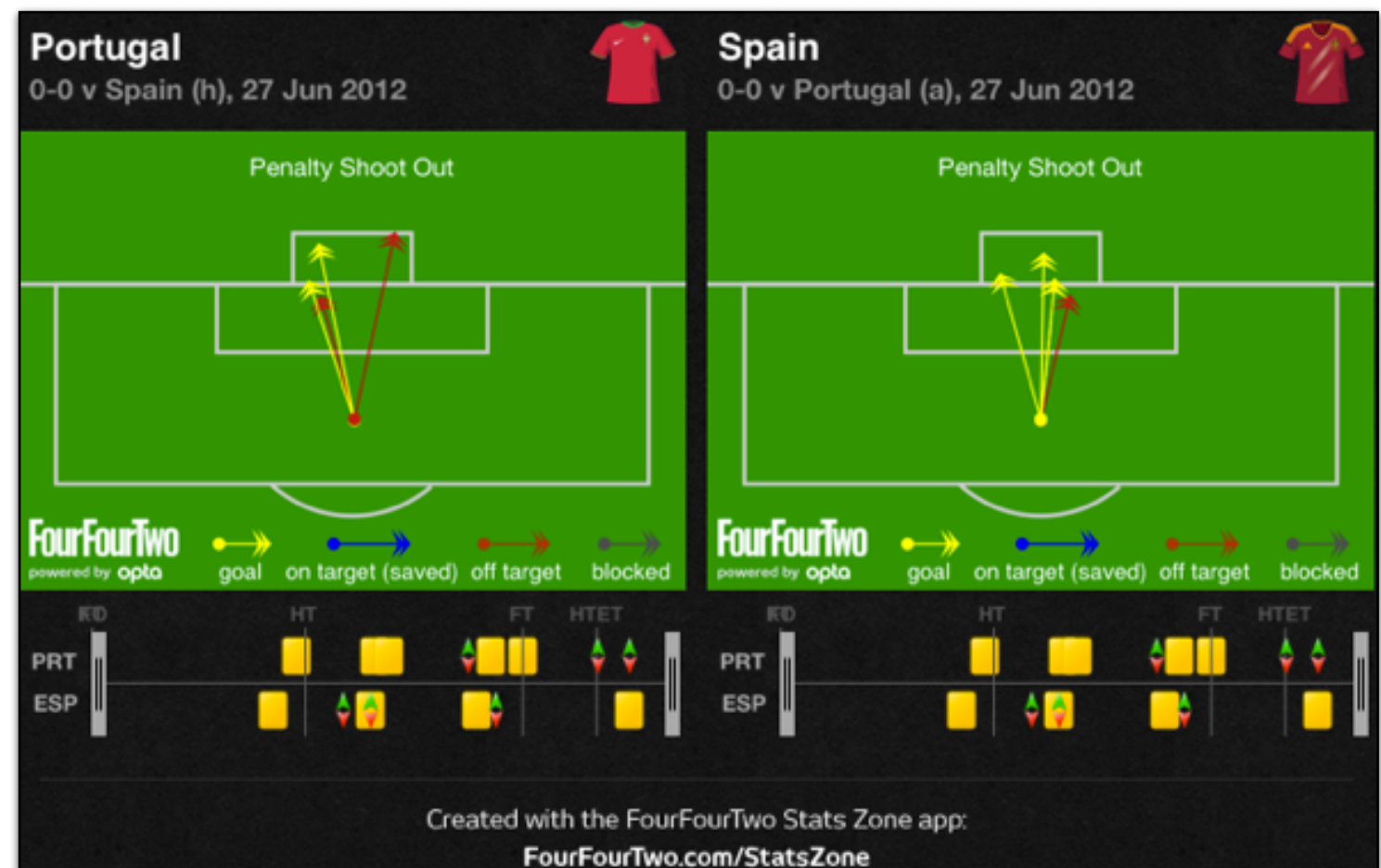
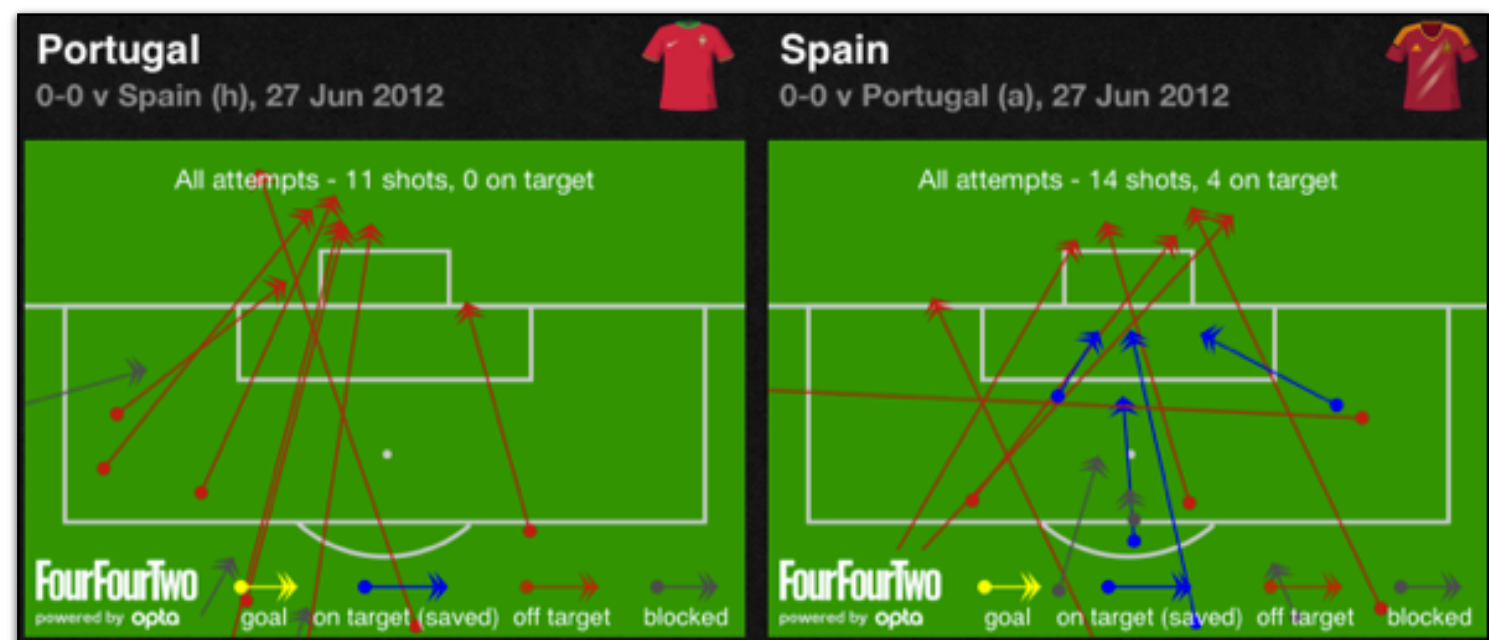
- Sequence of Penalty Kicks:
 - Alonso missed. 0-0.
 - Moutinho missed. 0-0.
 - Iniesta scored. 1-0 to Spain.
 - Pepe scored. 1-1.
 - Pique scored. 2-1 to Spain.
 - Nani scored. 2-2.
 - Ramos scored. 3-2 to Spain.
 - Alves missed. 3-2.
 - Fabregas scored. Spain win 4-2.
- Man of the Match: Sergio Ramos.
- Match Venue: Donbass Arena, Donetsk, Ukraine.
- With the win Spain became only the second team ever to reach three consecutive tournament finals. West Germany did so in the 1970s, but they lost in the 1976 Euros to deny them their third trophy in a row.
- Spain also knocked Portugal out of the 2010 World Cup with a 1-0 round of 16 defeat.
- Spain have never lost in the Euro semifinals.

Links

- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)

Match Stats

Portugal		Spain
0	Goals scored	0
43	Possession (%)	57
10	Total attempts	11
2	Attempts on target	5
8	Attempts off target	6
2	Attempts blocked	2
0	Attempts against woodwork	0
6	Corners	7
2	Offsides	3
5	Yellow cards	4
0	Red cards	0
31	Fouls committed	21
19	Fouls suffered	30



Germany 1 - Italy 2



Italian supporters in Tuscolana. ([Photo Credit: Maurilio Di Cicco](#))

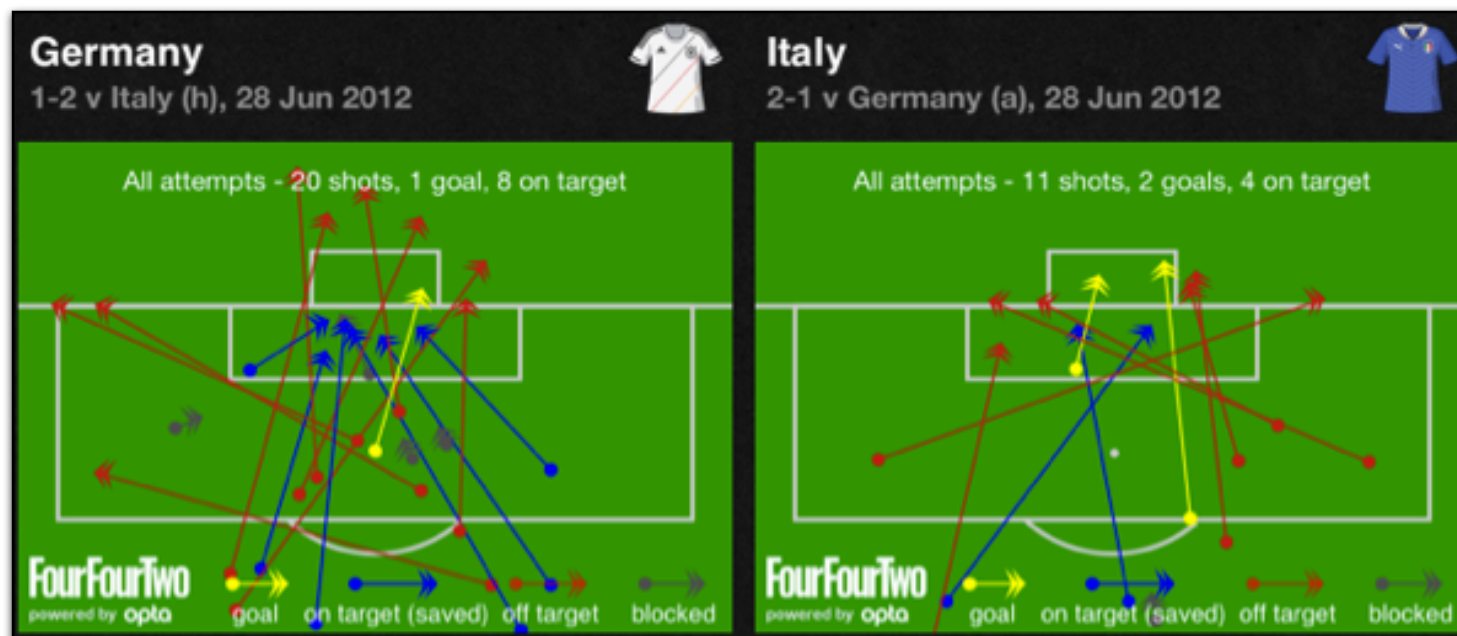
Someone forgot to tell the Italians that a Germany-Spain final was already set. The first 15 minutes were all Germany, but as soon as Italy got settled Balotelli connected with a beautiful cross to put his side up 1-0. Viewers may have been stunned, but it was about to get worse for Germany as Balotelli beat all of their defenders and got a second in the 36th minute. While Germany had control of the game for most of the half, they could not get through Italy's defenders, and when they did their finishing was poor. After the half Germany brought on Reus and Klose for Podolski and

Gomez, and they did look more dangerous. But at that point Italy had the advantage of only needing to defend and not attack, and Germany could not fight so much defensive power. That said, in the last 20 minutes Italy attacked on the break as Germany pushed forward, and Marchisio had two misses near the end of the game that could have sealed it for Italy. Di Natale also had a great chance go wide. In the 90th minute Özil scored a penalty after a handball in the box, but it was just too late for the Germans, and the Italians celebrated their deserved win.

Match Facts

- Italy Goals: Balotelli '20, '36.
- Germany Goals: Özil '90+2 (pen).
- Man of the Match: Andrea Pirlo.
- Match Venue: National Stadium Warsaw, Warsaw, Poland.
- Germany have still never beaten Italy in an international tournament in eight attempts.
- [UEFA Match Report](#).
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report](#).
- [Guardian Live Blog](#).

Match Stats



Germany	Italy
1	2
54	46
15	10
8	5
7	5
1	0
0	0
14	0
0	2
1	4
0	0
13	19
18	12

Goals scored
Possession (%)
Total attempts
Attempts on target
Attempts off target
Attempts blocked
Attempts against woodwork
Corners
Offsides
Yellow cards
Red cards
Fouls committed
Fouls suffered

Player Influence

JULY 1, 2012

Final



(Photo Credit: Gustave Deghilage)

Spain 4 - Italy 0

Spain started the game with a fast pace and beautiful play, the kind of flair that had been missing from them this tournament but that we had all come to expect from the side. They looked more dangerous than they had all month, and Italy had almost none of the ball and no chances for the first 10 minutes. It was fully deserved when Silva put Spain ahead in the 14th minute, and Italy had a heck of a challenge coming back.

But Italy showed the character that got them to the final, and they reacted well with a barrage of corner kicks and good ball possession. Despite the pressing, Spain were just too much for them and Alba scored in the 41st minute to make it 2-0.

Di Natale came on to start the second half, and he will rue two chances that he should have done better with. Their day got even worse when Motta injured his hamstring and could not continue, which occurred only four minutes after he had come on as the last of Italy's three subs. The Italians played close to the the last 30 minutes with 10 men, and it would have been the greatest comeback in history if they could have

gotten back into the game, but it was not meant to be.

Torres, who struck the winner four years ago in Spain's 1-0 victory over Germany, scored with six minutes left to seal the win, and his Chelsea teammate Mata (playing in his first game at this Euro) added another in the 88th minute.

With the victory Spain became the first side in history to win three major international titles in a row and to win the European Championship in consecutive tournaments. They also have now won three Euro titles, tying Germany as most ever won, and are the only side in the history of the tournament to have conceded only one goal. Fernando Torres won the Golden Boot with his goal and his assist on Mata's goal.

Links

- [UEFA Match Report.](#)
- [Kaiser Sweeper Match Report.](#)
- [Guardian Live Blog.](#)

Match Facts

- Spain Goals: Silva '14, Alba '41, Torres '84, Mata '88.
- Man of the Match: Andrés Iniesta.
- Match Venue: Olympic Stadium, Kyiv, Ukraine.
- Spain's third consecutive tournament win after the 2008 Euro and 2010 World Cup.
- Spain conceded only one goal in the entire finals, with the previous lowest amount conceded by any team having been three.
- Torres became the first player to ever score in consecutive final game appearances at the European Championship.
- Torres won the Golden Boot despite having the same number of goals and assists as Germany's Gomez due to having played fewer minutes (189 minutes total).
- With the win Spain had not lost in a tournament since the opening match of the 2010 World Cup in a 1-0 defeat and had not conceded a goal in the knockout stages of a Euro or World Cup since 2006.

Match Stats

Spain		Italy
4	Goals scored	0
52	Possession (%)	48
14	Total attempts	11
9	Attempts on target	6
5	Attempts off target	5
3	Attempts blocked	2
0	Attempts against woodwork	0
3	Corners	3
3	Offsides	3
1	Yellow cards	1
0	Red cards	0
17	Fouls committed	10
9	Fouls suffered	17



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