

## The road to Brazil

When the 32 teams contest the 2014 FIFA World Cup, it will be the beginning of the end of a long process involving 192 teams taking part in 820 games to decide who would qualify for Brazil. The following countries make up the 32 who have qualified for the 2014 World Cup:

**Hosts:** Brazil

### Europe (53 played 13 qualified)

Nine groups winners

	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Points
Belgium	10	8	2	0	18	4	26
Italy	10	6	4	0	19	9	22
Germany	10	9	1	0	36	10	28
Netherlands	10	9	1	0	34	5	28
Switzerland	10	7	3	0	17	6	24
Russia	10	7	1	2	20	5	22
Bosnia-Herzegovina	10	8	1	1	30	6	25
England	10	6	4	0	31	4	22
Spain	8	6	2	0	14	3	20

The best 8 runners up played off over two legs with the winners qualifying – aggregate scored below:

France 3 Ukraine 2  
Portugal 4 Sweden 2  
Croatia 2 Iceland 0  
Greece 4 Romania 2

### Asia (43 countries – 4 qualified with one to an inter-continental play-off)

Four qualifiers from final group stage

	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Points
Iran	8	5	1	2	8	2	16
South Korea	8	4	2	2	13	7	14
Japan	8	5	2	1	16	5	17
Australia	8	3	4	1	12	7	13

### Africa (52 countries with 5 qualifiers)

Following a preliminary round 40 teams played in 10 groups of 4 with the 10 winners playing off for five places as follows:

Cameroon 4 Tunisia 1  
Cote d'Ivoire 4 Senegal 2  
Ghana 7 Egypt 3  
Algeria 3 Burkina Faso 3 (Algeria win on away goals)  
Nigeria 4 Ethiopia 1

**South America (9 countries compete for 4 places with one to an inter-continental play-off)**

The 4 automatic qualifiers were:

	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Points
Argentina	16	9	5	2	35	15	32
Colombia	16	9	3	4	27	13	30
Chile	16	9	1	6	29	25	28
Ecuador	16	7	4	5	20	16	25

**North and Central America and Caribbean (3 places for 35 countries with one to an inter-continental play-off)**

	Played	Won	Drew	Lost	Goals for	Goals against	Points
USA	10	7	1	2	15	8	22
Costa Rica	10	5	3	2	13	7	18
Honduras	10	4	3	3	13	12	15

**Inter-continental play-offs (2)**

The final two places are decided by play-offs involving four countries from different FIFA regions.

Mexico 9 New Zealand 3  
Uruguay 5 Jordan 0