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RACING 92 v CONNACHT RUGBY

## Match Facts

### Pool B – RACING 92 v CONNACHT RUGBY, Sunday 13 December

Venue	Paris La Défense Arena
Kick-off	15:15
Referee	Wayne Barnes (Eng)
Assistant Referee 1	Maxime Chalon (Fra)
Assistant Referee 2	Jonathan Dufort (Fra)
TMO	Eric Gauzins (Fra)
Citing Commissioner	Shaun Gallagher (Eng)

- Racing 92 and Connacht will face each other for the first time in European competition; Racing 92 have won their last three Heineken Champions Cup home matches against Irish opposition while Connacht have lost their last three away games against TOP 14 clubs in the competition.
- Racing 92 have won their last 10 home games in the pool stage of the Heineken Champions Cup, adding a try bonus point in each of their last six.
- Connacht have lost their last five away games in the Heineken Champions Cup, a run that included three trips to France - twice against Toulouse and once against Montpellier.
- Connacht conceded just 7.7 penalties per game on average in the Heineken Champions Cup last season, fewer than any other club in 2019/20.
- Virimi Vakatawa (Racing 92) beat 53 defenders in the Heineken Champions Cup last season, more than any other player, while he also ranked second for clean breaks (17), metres gained (597), offloads (14) and turnovers won (9).

## 2019/20 Results and Standings

### Pool 4

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Racing 92	6	4	1	1	194	126	68	26	15	4	1	23
2	Saracens	6	4	0	2	121	88	33	13	10	1	1	18
3	Munster Rugby	6	3	1	2	124	97	27	13	10	2	0	16
4	Ospreys	6	0	0	6	83	211	-128	11	28	1	1	2

### Results - Racing 92

Date	Opponent	Venue	F	A	Result	TF	TA	TB	LB	Round
17/11/2019	Saracens	H	30	10	W	4	1	X		1
23/11/2019	Munster Rugby	A	21	21	D	3	2			2
07/12/2019	Ospreys	A	40	19	W	6	3	X		3
13/12/2019	Ospreys	H	40	27	W	6	5	X		4
12/01/2020	Munster Rugby	H	39	22	W	4	1	X		5
19/01/2020	Saracens	A	24	27	L	3	3		X	6
19/09/2020	ASM Clermont Auvergne	A	36	27	W	2	4			QF
26/09/2020	Saracens	H	19	15	W	1	0			SF
17/10/2020	Exeter Chiefs	N	27	31	L	4	4			Final

### Pool 5

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Toulouse	6	6	0	0	162	85	77	19	9	3	0	27
2	Gloucester Rugby	6	2	0	4	140	140	0	19	14	3	3	14
3	Montpellier	6	2	0	4	118	157	-39	12	20	1	1	10
4	Connacht Rugby	6	2	0	4	120	158	-38	15	22	1	1	10

### Results - Connacht Rugby

Date	Opponent	Venue	F	A	Result	TF	TA	TB	LB	Round
17/11/2019	Montpellier	H	23	20	W	3	2			1
23/11/2019	Toulouse	A	17	32	L	2	4			2
08/12/2019	Gloucester Rugby	A	17	26	L	2	4			3
14/12/2019	Gloucester Rugby	H	27	24	W	3	4			4
11/01/2020	Toulouse	H	7	21	L	1	3			5
19/01/2020	Montpellier	A	29	35	L	4	5	X	X	6

## Tournament Records Compared

	Racing 92	Connacht Rugby
Played	71	30
Wins	36	13
Draws	4	0
Losses	31	17
Win %	51%	43%
Total Points For	1610	573
Total Points Against	1432	691
Largest Winning Margin	50 (v Scarlets, 17/1/2016)	45 (v Zebre Rugby Club, 14/1/2017)
Heaviest Losing Margin	-25 (v Munster Rugby, 7/1/2017)	-58 (@ Saracens, 18/1/2014)

## Head-to-head record

**These sides have never met in this competition**

## 2019/20 Performance Data

### Team Averages

Rank	Racing 92		Connacht Rugby	Rank
4	30.4	Points	19.7	11
4	3.7	Tries	2.5	9
15	76%	Goalkicking %	77%	12
11	117.2	Carries	127.7	7
4	438.2	Metres Made	352.3	12
4	11.6	Clean Breaks	6.5	15
3	28.6	Defenders Beaten	21.2	16
8	8.1	Offloads	4.8	18
10	145.8	Passes	151.5	8
6	22.9	Kicks From Hand	20.0	14
17	123.4	Tackles	160.2	1
2	20.8	Missed Tackles	26.8	17
10	86%	Tackle %	86%	8
7	9.3	Penalties Conceded	7.7	1
11	0.7	Yellow Cards	0.7	11
1	0.0	Red Cards	0.0	1
13	14.1	Turnovers Conceded	15.7	19
9	5.9	Turnovers Won	6.2	5
7	88%	Lineout Success %	86%	11
6	95%	Scrum Success %	95%	4
5	97%	Ruck Success %	97%	7

## Appearance Data

### Racing 92

Name	Appearances	Starts	Subs	Minutes	Points	Tries
Ali Oz	7	0	7	164	0	0
Antoine Gibert	3	0	3	30	0	0
Antonie Claassen	7	7	0	549	0	0
Baptiste Chouzenoux	6	2	4	277	0	0
Ben Tameifuna	1	1	0	53	0	0
Ben Volavola	4	1	3	118	0	0
Bernard Le Roux	5	5	0	338	0	0
Boris Palu	8	6	2	498	0	0
Brice Dulin	4	3	1	250	0	0
Camille Chat	7	6	1	369	5	1
Cedate Gomes Sa	6	5	1	316	0	0
Dominic Bird	7	5	2	396	0	0
Donnacha Ryan	8	6	2	458	0	0
Eddy Ben Arous	9	9	0	480	0	0
Fabien Sanconnie	8	4	4	267	0	0
Finn Russell	9	8	1	599	14	2
Francois Trinh-Duc	2	0	2	64	5	1
Georges-Henri Colombe	4	3	1	184	5	1
Hassane Kolingar	9	0	9	241	0	0
Henry Chavancy	7	7	0	550	5	1
Jordan Joseph	1	0	1	18	0	0
Juan Imhoff	9	9	0	707	30	6
Kevin Le Guen	2	0	2	37	0	0
Kurtley Beale	1	0	1	16	0	0
Louis Dupichot	4	4	0	261	15	3
Maxime Machenaud	8	3	5	307	48	0
Olivier Klemenczak	6	2	4	264	0	0
Simon Zebo	7	6	1	470	15	3
Teddy Baubigny	9	3	6	315	5	1
Teddy Iribaren	7	6	1	374	57	0
Teddy Thomas	5	5	0	383	30	6
Virimi Vakatawa	9	9	0	686	20	4
Wenceslas Lauret	8	8	0	535	5	1
Yoan Tanga	5	2	3	240	10	2

## Connacht Rugby

Name	Appearances	Starts	Subs	Minutes	Points	Tries
Angus Lloyd	1	0	1	11	0	0
Bundee Aki	5	5	0	400	0	0
Caolin Blade	6	4	2	337	15	3
Cillian Gallagher	1	1	0	8	0	0
Colby Fainga'a	5	5	0	330	0	0
Conor Fitzgerald	5	2	3	215	24	0
Conor Kenny	2	0	2	14	0	0
Darragh Leader	1	1	0	80	0	0
Dave Heffernan	5	3	2	228	0	0
David Horwitz	1	0	1	5	0	0
Denis Buckley	5	2	3	239	0	0
Dominic Robertson-McCoy	6	4	2	300	0	0
Eoghan Masterson	5	3	2	243	0	0
Eoin McKeon	3	1	2	101	0	0
Finlay Bealham	4	2	2	166	0	0
Gavin Thornbury	2	2	0	160	0	0
Jack Carty	6	5	1	358	19	0
Jarrad Butler	4	4	0	320	0	0
Joe Maksymiw	6	3	3	289	0	0
John Porch	6	5	1	413	10	2
Jonny Murphy	2	0	2	27	0	0
Kieran Marmion	1	1	0	54	5	1
Kyle Godwin	5	5	0	390	5	1
Matt Healy	3	3	0	240	5	1
Matthew Burke	1	0	1	31	0	0
Niall Murray	2	0	2	32	0	0
Niyi Adeolokun	3	3	0	169	0	0
Paddy McAllister	2	2	0	104	0	0
Paul Boyle	4	3	1	240	5	1
Peter McCabe	3	2	1	106	0	0
Peter Robb	2	1	1	86	0	0
Quinn Roux	2	2	0	160	5	1
Robin Copeland	4	2	2	195	5	1
Shane Delahunt	2	0	2	41	5	1
Stephen Kerins	3	1	2	78	0	0
Tiernan O'Halloran	2	2	0	137	0	0
Tom Daly	6	3	3	315	0	0
Tom Farrell	1	1	0	62	5	1
Tom McCartney	3	3	0	184	5	1
Ultan Dillane	5	4	1	295	0	0

## Racing 92 v Connacht Rugby: Leading Scorers – Heineken Champions Cup 2019/20

### Points

Rank			Matches	Points	Penalties	Conversions	Drop Goals	Tries
1	Teddy Iribaren	Racing 92	7	57	15	6	0	0
2	Maxime Machenaud	Racing 92	8	48	6	15	0	0
3	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	30	0	0	0	6
3	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	30	0	0	0	6
5	Conor Fitzgerald	Connacht Rugby	5	24	3	6	1	0
6	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	20	0	0	0	4
7	Jack Carty	Connacht Rugby	6	19	3	5	0	0
8	Caolin Blade	Connacht Rugby	6	15	0	0	0	3
8	Louis Dupichot	Racing 92	4	15	0	0	0	3
8	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	15	0	0	0	3

### Tries

Rank			Matches	Tries
1	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	6
1	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	6
3	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	4
4	Caolin Blade	Connacht Rugby	6	3
4	Louis Dupichot	Racing 92	4	3
4	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	3
7	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	2
7	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	6	2
7	Yoan Tanga	Racing 92	5	2
10	15 Players	-	-	1

### Goalkicking %

Rank			Matches	Penalties	Conversions	Attempts	%
1	Conor Fitzgerald	Connacht Rugby	5	3	6	10	90%
2	Teddy Iribaren	Racing 92	7	15	6	27	78%
3	Maxime Machenaud	Racing 92	8	6	15	28	75%
4	Jack Carty	Connacht Rugby	6	3	5	12	67%
4	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	0	2	3	67%



## Racing 92 v Connacht Rugby: Top Performers – Heineken Champions Cup 2019/20

### Carries

Rank			Matches	Carries
1	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	93
2	Antonie Claassen	Racing 92	7	74
3	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	68
4	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	66
5	Camille Chat	Racing 92	7	59
6	Henry Chavancy	Racing 92	7	56
7	Kyle Godwin	Connacht Rugby	5	54
8	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	51
9	Jack Carty	Connacht Rugby	6	46
10	Boris Palu	Racing 92	8	44
10	Colby Fainga'a	Connacht Rugby	5	44
10	Jarrad Butler	Connacht Rugby	4	44
10	Teddy Baubigny	Racing 92	9	44

### Metres

Rank			Matches	Metres
1	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	597
2	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	507
3	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	347
4	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	307
5	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	274
6	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	6	259
7	Brice Dulin	Racing 92	4	241
8	Kyle Godwin	Connacht Rugby	5	207
9	Colby Fainga'a	Connacht Rugby	5	177
10	Antonie Claassen	Racing 92	7	173

### Breaks

Rank			Matches	Clean Breaks
1	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	19
2	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	17
3	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	15
4	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	11
5	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	6	8
6	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	7
7	Caolin Blade	Connacht Rugby	6	6
8	Louis Dupichot	Racing 92	4	5
8	Maxime Machenaud	Racing 92	8	5
10	6 Players	-	-	3

## Defenders Beaten

Rank			Matches	Defenders Beaten
1	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	53
2	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	25
3	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	23
4	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	6	21
5	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	18
5	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	18
7	Camille Chat	Racing 92	7	15
7	Kyle Godwin	Connacht Rugby	5	15
9	Caolin Blade	Connacht Rugby	6	12
10	Yoan Tanga	Racing 92	5	11

## Offloads

Rank			Matches	Offloads
1	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	14
2	Finn Russell	Racing 92	9	9
3	Boris Palu	Racing 92	8	6
4	Henry Chavancy	Racing 92	7	5
4	Jack Carty	Connacht Rugby	6	5
4	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	5
4	Maxime Machenaud	Racing 92	8	5
8	Brice Dulin	Racing 92	4	4
8	Bundee Aki	Connacht Rugby	5	4
10	Antonie Claassen	Racing 92	7	3
10	Caolin Blade	Connacht Rugby	6	3
10	Paul Boyle	Connacht Rugby	4	3
10	Simon Zebo	Racing 92	7	3
10	Teddy Thomas	Racing 92	5	3

## Tackles

Rank			Matches	Tackles	Missed Tackles
1	Wenceslas Lauret	Racing 92	8	99	8
2	Colby Fainga'a	Connacht Rugby	5	73	10
3	Henry Chavancy	Racing 92	7	72	13
4	Boris Palu	Racing 92	8	69	2
5	Ultan Dillane	Connacht Rugby	5	62	7
6	Jarrad Butler	Connacht Rugby	4	59	1
7	Bernard Le Roux	Racing 92	5	56	4
8	Antonie Claassen	Racing 92	7	55	7
8	Dominic Bird	Racing 92	7	55	10
8	Eddy Ben Arous	Racing 92	9	55	5

## Lineouts

Rank			Matches	Lineouts Won (inc. steals)	Lineout Steals
1	Baptiste Chouzenoux	Racing 92	6	20	3
2	Boris Palu	Racing 92	8	16	2
3	Gavin Thornbury	Connacht Rugby	2	14	1
4	Dominic Bird	Racing 92	7	13	5
5	Eoghan Masterson	Connacht Rugby	5	12	0
6	Donnacha Ryan	Racing 92	8	11	0
6	Joe Maksymiw	Connacht Rugby	6	11	4
8	Bernard Le Roux	Racing 92	5	10	0
9	Jarrad Butler	Connacht Rugby	4	9	0
9	Quinn Roux	Connacht Rugby	2	9	2

## Turnovers

Rank			Matches	Turnovers Won
1	Virimi Vakatawa	Racing 92	9	9
2	Bundee Aki	Connacht Rugby	5	7
3	Camille Chat	Racing 92	7	5
3	Eddy Ben Arous	Racing 92	9	5
3	Wenceslas Lauret	Racing 92	8	5
6	Donnacha Ryan	Racing 92	8	4
6	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	6	4
6	Juan Imhoff	Racing 92	9	4
6	Yoan Tanga	Racing 92	5	4
10	Jarrad Butler	Connacht Rugby	4	3
10	Paddy McAllister	Connacht Rugby	2	3
10	Quinn Roux	Connacht Rugby	2	3
10	Robin Copeland	Connacht Rugby	4	3