

Honduras vs. Dominican Rep. - Group B

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All-Time Series: 3 games

- 3 wins Honduras
- 0 draws
- 0 wins Dominican Republic
- 15 goals Honduras
- 1 goal Dominican Republic

This will be the fourth match in the series in the CMU20C, with three wins for Honduras.

In the 21st century, they only faced each other once on November 1, 2018, in the United States in Group C, with a 7-1 win for Honduras, with goals from Josué Villafranca (8'), César Romero (15', 74'), Éverson López (penalty 62', 67'), Luis Palma (80'), and Selvin Guevara (90+3'), and for the Dominicans, Ronaldo Velásquez (14').

The other 2 matches in the series were on September 21, 1976, in Puerto Rico, in Group 4, with a 3-0 win for Honduras, goals from Porfirio Betancourt (7', 76') and Orlando Rodríguez (63'), and on November 30, 1978, in Honduras, in Group 1, with a 5-0 win for Honduras.

Honduras, with four points in Group B after managing to draw against Canada and beat El Salvador, both with comebacks, will seek to secure their ticket to the qualification phase against the Dominican Republic. Despite having lost their first two matches, the Dominican Republic has proven to be a tough opponent to beat.

Here are the details from the last match of both teams.



Honduras (HON)

- This was Honduras's first victory in their last three CMU20 matches (1W-1D-1L). However, it is their 6th win in their last 8 CMU20 matches (6W-1D-1L).
- Honduras scored 4 goals in a single CMU20 match for the 13th time, the last time they scored 4 goals against a Central American team was in 2018 when they defeated Belize 0x4, with 4 goals from Josué Villafranca.
- For Honduras, this was their 9th consecutive unbeaten match against Central American teams in the history of the CMU20 (7W-2D). It is the second-best unbeaten streak for the Hondurans in the tournament against Central American



teams, only surpassed by the streak of 13 consecutive unbeaten matches (2D-11W) achieved between 1976 and 2011.

- Honduras has led their group after Matchday seven times: in 1976, 1980, 1984, 1994, 2018, 2022, and 2024. In fact, this is the second time they have done so with a draw and a win, previously achieving this in 1980 with 3 points.
- Honduras achieved its 67th victory in the history of the CMU20.

CMU20 Appearances: (25)

Best Result in CMU20: Champion (1982, 1994), Runner-up (1964, 1976, 2017), 3rd Place (1978, 2009).

Record in CMU20: GP-103 W-66 D-16 L-21 (GF-215 GA-95).

Top Scorers since 2009: Josué Villafranca (7), Marco Aceituno (6), Luis Palma (5), Bryan Róchez (4), Alberth Elis (4), Carlos Mejía (4), Cristian Cáliz (4).

Top Scorers in Mexico 2024: Anfronit Tatum (2), Ángel Villatoro (1), Roberto Osorto, Dereck Moncada.

Assists in 2024: Roberto Osorto (2), Mathias Vásquez (1).

Saves: 1. Goalkeeper: Daniel Paguada (1).

Players to Watch:

Roberto Osorto. He has made two goal assists and was the player with the most shots (3) against El Salvador. So far, in two matches, he has 6 shots and has been directly involved in 3 of the 6 goals Honduras has scored in Mexico.

Anfronit Tatum. The team captain scored a brace in the 4-1 victory against El Salvador, one with a header and one from a free kick. Tatum had a 90% passing accuracy in the last match.



Dominican Republic (DOM)



- The Dominican Republic is the 3rd Caribbean team that Canada has defeated with a 1x0 score in the history of the CMU20, having done so against Trinidad & Tobago in 1996, Jamaica in 2005, and the Dominican Republic in 2024.
- It is the 3rd time that Canada has ended matchday two of the group stage with 4 points, previously achieved in 1974 and 1982.
- The Dominican Republic suffered its 17th loss (68%) in 25 matches in the history of the CMU20. It was also their third consecutive loss, conceding 8 goals and failing to score.
- For the Dominican Republic, this was the 8th defeat in as many matches against North American teams in the history of the CMU20, during which period they only managed to score one goal (Juan Ovidio Mercedes against Mexico in 1976) and conceded 48 goals.
- For the 4th time, the Dominican Republic ended the group stage matchday with zero points on the table. However, this is the first time they have done so with just 2 goals conceded, after conceding 7 goals in 1974, 14 goals in 1978, 9 goals in 2018, and only 2 goals in 2024.

CMU20 Appearances: (7)

Best Result in CMU20: Runner-up (Honduras 2022).

Record in CMU20: GP-25 W-7 D-1 L-17 (GF-41 GA-83).

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

Saves: 6. Goalkeeper: Edwin Frías (6).

Players to Watch:

Edwin Frías. To date, he has made 6 saves and performed 3 clearances. The team captain managed to keep a clean sheet in the first half against El Salvador and Canada.

Lucas Bretón. He was the player with the most passes against Canada (40 successful and 8 incomplete). Additionally, the midfielder made 2 shots, took 2 corners, made 2 clearances, and recovered the ball 2 times in the last game.