



# **SINGAPORE NOTES**

- > The Women's Series will make its debut in Singapore, becoming the 15th different country to host the HSBC SVNS.
  - This is the fourth different location in Asia after Kitakyushu (2017-19), Guangzhou (2013-14) and Hong Kong (2023-24).
  - ➤ New Zealand have won six of the previous seven HSBC SVNS events in Asia, with two Cup titles in Guangzhou, two in Hong Kong, and two in Kitakyushu. Only Canada in Kitakyushu in 2019 have denied them a clean sweep on this continent.
- ➤ Eleven of the 12 teams competing in Perth have qualified for Paris 2024, with the final spot to be awarded at the World Rugby Sevens Repechage in Monaco on 21-23 June. Spain is the only core team this season who will not be playing at Stade de France in July.
- ➤ The 2024 league winner will be determined at this event this is the first time in Women's Series history the top two teams have come into the final event of the season level on competition points on the HSBC SVNS standings.

# **KEY TEAM STATS**

- Australia have lost top spot on the HSBC SVNS standings for the first time this season. They led after all five rounds between Cape Town and Los Angeles, and now sit second on points difference, with just a -57 gap behind New Zealand.
  - Australia's try scoring rate has fallen across the second half of the season they averaged 29.7 tries per tournament between Dubai and Perth, but this has dropped to 21.7 since Vancouver.
  - ➤ They have scored 42% of their tries this season from quick-tap possession, the highest ratio of any team from this source.
  - They were the best team inside the opposition 22 in Hong Kong, scoring 20 tries from 21 entries at a 95% success-rate.
    - ➤ They have only squandered more than two entries into the red zone twice this season, in Perth and Vancouver, enjoying the second-highest success-rate of any team overall with 89%.
  - They came into Hong Kong averaging a 13% restart retention success-rate this season, the fourth lowest of any team, but this jumped to 21% last round, the fourth-highest.
  - They are conceding on average the fewest penalties per game of any team this season with 2.3. They have earned more red cards (5) this season than yellow cards (4).
  - Their attack is averaging one line-break every 5.5 carries this season, the second-best ratio of any team this season behind New Zealand (4.7).
  - They have the joint-highest ratio of assisted tries of any team this season (58%), but 11 of their 20 tries scored in Hong Kong were solo efforts on attack (55%), a shift away from their trend this season.
  - Their defence conceded the fewest tries of any team in Hong Kong with nine, and are averaging the second-fewest of any team per event this season with 10.3.





- Australia have outscored Brazil by a combined total of 65-5 across their two meetings this season in Dubai and Los Angeles. They have not conceded more than one try in a match against Brazil since Sydney last season, holding them to five points or less in each of their past four games.
- ➤ They will play Great Britain for only the second time this season, and will look to avenge a 19-12 defeat in Perth in the pool rounds. Discipline was an issue for Australia that day, receiving a red card to Teagan Levi, and losing the penalty count 4-1.
- Australia have never lost a SVNS match against Fiji, with 34 wins and one draw from their 35 previous meetings.
  - They had to overturn a five-point half-time deficit in their last meeting in Hong Kong for their narrowest victory in this fixture since Paris in 2018 (three points).
- ➤ Brazil remains in ninth on the HSBC SVNS standings, however they have cut the deficit from six points after Vancouver to just two points behind Pool C opponents Great Britain as they chase the safety of eighth position and an appearance in the Grand Final in Madrid.
  - > This will be their 50th HSBC SVNS tournament since their debut in Dubai in 2012.
  - ➤ They will look to bounce back from a 10th-place finish in Hong Kong, their lowest of the season so far. They have earned more competition points than Great Britain in three events this season Dubai, Vancouver and Los Angeles.
  - They have scored 39% of their tries this season from set-piece, their main try source.
  - ➤ They made 13 visits to the opposition 22 in Hong Kong, their most in a single tournament since Perth, but squandered four chances in the red zone.
  - They are averaging one line-break every 11.9 carries, the third-highest ratio of any team this season behind Spain (16) and South Africa (14.7).
  - > They rarely offload the ball, averaging the second-fewest per game of any team (2.3).
  - ➤ Eight of their nine tries scored in Hong Kong were directly assisted by a team-mate, their highest ratio at an event this season (89%). Prior to Hong Kong, 48% of their tries scored had been solo efforts on attack.
  - ➤ Their defence has steadily improved as the season as progressed, conceding on average 15.3 per tournament since Perth compared to 20 per tournament across Dubai and Cape Town.
    - They enjoyed a season-best tackle completion-rate of 82% in Hong Kong, well above their average of 66% prior to the tournament.
  - They are the only team this season who have not successfully kicked a conversion from either the left or right channels.
  - ➤ Brazil are yet to score a second-half point against Australia this season, held scoreless in both games after the half-time break.
    - They have only completed 68% of their tackle attempts against Australia this season.
  - ➤ Brazil ended a 10-game losing streak against Fiji with a 12-5 victory in their last meeting in Los Angeles. This was only their second SVNS win against Fiji, and will be looking to go back-to-back for the first time.
  - ➤ In the race to avoid the relegation play-off in Madrid, Brazil will look to end a five-game losing streak against Great Britain dating back to Dubai last season. Their only SVNS victory in this fixture came on the 2022 Series at The Sevens. They will look to start strongly after conceding 12 points or more in the first half of all three games this season.



- ➤ Canada remain in fifth on the HSBC SVNS standings following a sixth-place finish in Hong Kong. They have earned 55% of their total competition points across the past three rounds.
  - > They have not finished inside the top five at the end of the regular season since 2020.
  - ➤ They have scored 90 tries so far this season, only two less than their season total last year. They have not scored 100 tries or more in a single season since 2020.
    - Forty per cent of their tries scored this season have originated from set-piece, the third-highest ratio of any team behind USA and Ireland.
  - Last round, Canada made their fewest carries (131) and passes (188) in a tournament since Cape Town. They averaged one line-break every 13 carries in Hong Kong, their worst ratio this season.
  - They are the third-most successful team inside the opposition-22 this season, scoring in 87% of their visits. They converted 12 of their 13 entries into tries in Hong Kong, the second-straight tournament they've only squandered one visit to the red zone.
  - ➤ Despite averaging the third-most errors per game this season with 2.8, they made the joint-second fewest of any team in Hong Kong (12), and their least at any event this season.
  - They have been the best team this season at retaining possession from the restart with a 28% success-rate. As a result, 26% of their tries scored have originated from the restart, the fourth-highest ratio of any team.
  - ➤ This will be only the second time they have played Ireland this season, and first since Dubai. They are currently on a two-game winning streak in this fixture, their longest since winning five-straight between 2019-22.
    - Their two-point win in the Cup quarter-finals in Dubai is their narrowest since Langford in 2018. Despite completing just 72% of their tackle attempts, and receiving one yellow card, Canada were able snatch the 14-12 win through dominating possession, making more carries (27-17) and passes (40-27) than Ireland.
  - Canada have won all four meetings against Spain this season after winning just one of three against them last season. They have outscored Spain by a combined total of 105-24 across all four victories on the 2024 Series.
    - They are chasing five consecutive victories in the same season for the first time since the 2019 Series.
  - Canada will look to end a 26-game losing streak against New Zealand dating back to Clermont-Ferrand in 2016. Their only victory in this fixture came in the Cup semi-finals in São Paulo that season.
    - This will be the sixth time they have met this season, but first in the pool rounds. They have earned a losing bonus point on just one occasion following a two-point defeat in Dubai.
    - > They have only scored two first half tries against New Zealand this season, in Dubai and Vancouver.
- Fiji are yet to finish higher than fifth at an event this season, earning 12 competition points in Dubai, Cape Town and Hong Kong.
  - After winning just two of their 10 games played across Vancouver and Los Angeles (20%), they bounced back in Hong Kong to win three of five matches (60%) played.
  - Their main try-scoring source this season has been the restart (27%).

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- Only 40% of their tries scored this season have been assisted by a team-mate, with the highest rate of solo efforts on attack of any team.
- ➤ They are averaging a competition-high 7.4 offloads per game this season, but this is coming at a cost averaging the most errors of any team with 3.7 per game.
  - > Twenty-three of their 35 try assists this season have come via offloads (66%).
- ➤ They will look to improve their discipline after conceding 20 penalties in Hong Kong, the second-most of any team behind USA, and their most in a tournament this season.
  - ➤ They have earned the joint-most yellow cards of any team this season with 12 alongside France six of them have come across the past two tournaments.
- They are averaging the second-fewest carries per game of any team this season (19.7) but enjoy the joint-best strike-rate of any team with one try every 1.6 rucks.
  - ➤ They made the fewest carries of any team in Hong Kong (108), but averaged a linebreak evert 6.4 carries, the third-best ratio of any team.
- ➤ They scored 13 tries from 14 visits to the opposition 22 in Hong Kong, the second-best efficiency of any team inside the red zone. Since Vancouver, they have converted 39 of their 41 visits (95%) compared to just 79% between Dubai and Perth.
- Fiji's last match against Great Britain went to extra-time in Los Angeles after scores were tied 12-12 after 14 minutes. These two teams have traded wins evenly across their past six games dating back to Vancouver last season.
  - Fiji will look to start strongly after being held scoreless in the first-half in Los Angeles.
- ➤ They will look to bounce back from their first SVNS loss against Brazil in nine years last meeting, with a 12-5 loss in the pool rounds in Los Angeles.
  - Their attack managed just one visit to the opposition 22 from 17 carries, making a game-high seven errors with ball in hand.
- ➤ Despite losing all four games against Australia this season, they have scored more tries against them this season (8) than last season (7).
  - ➤ Their Series record against Australia is 15 tries across seven games in 2016-17.
- France remains in third on the HSBC SVNS standings, and will looking to record their third top-three finish in Women's history after finishing third in 2018 and second in 2022.
  - ➤ They have played more Cup finals this season Cape Town and Vancouver than in any previous season in their SVNS history.
  - ➤ They have scored the third-most tries of any team this season, and will surpass their previous season record of 135 set in 2022 with their first score in Singapore.

France – Most Tries in a Series	
135*	2024
135	2022
133	2023
117	2019
104	2018

- ➤ The quick-tap has been their highest try scoring possession this season, with 36% originating from this source, the third-highest ratio of any team behind Australia and Great Britain.
- They are averaging the second-most offloads per game this season with 7.2. They made a tournament-high 43 offloads in Hong Kong last round.



- They are averaging a second-most carries per game this season (25.1), averaging one line-break every 6.7 carries made, the third best ratio.
- They are one of only two teams this season, alongside Australia, to have made at least 20 visits or more to the opposition 22 at every event this season.
- ➤ They have been the third most accurate team in front of goal this season kicking 65% of their attempts, including the second-most accurate team from the left channel (31%), and most accurate team from the right-hand side (20%).
- ➤ Discipline has been an issue this season, earning the joint-most yellow cards of any team with 12, and conceding the most penalties per game with 3.7.
  - ➤ However, their discipline improved significantly in Hong Kong, keeping all seven players on the field for the duration of the tournament for the first time this season, and conceding a season-low 2.7 penalties per game.
- The French defence has been busy this season, averaging the most tackles per game of any team (16.5) for the second-best tackle completion rate (81%).
  - They have conceded the third-fewest tries per tournament of any team this season (11.7), four less than their 2023 Series average of 15.7 per event.
- ➤ They have won the past four, and 14 of their 15 Women's Series matches against Japan, with their only loss coming in Hamilton last season. Since that 19-12 defeat, they have restricted Japan to seven points or less in each of their past four victories.
  - ➤ This will be just their second meeting this season following a 35-7 win in Los Angeles. The French defence missed just two of their 20 tackle attempts, and conceded just one try from two visits to their own 22.
- France have outscored South Africa by a combined total of 82-7 across their two meetings this season, including 53-0 in the second-half.
- After winning their first two matches this season against USA, in Dubai and Cape Town, France have lost their past two in Perth and Hong Kong. They have not lost three consecutive games in this fixture since the 2019 Series.
  - ➤ They have struggled to score across their past two losses, held to just five points in each defeat. Their attack has made just two line-breaks across their past 50 carries, scoring just two tries from a combined six visits to the opposition 22.
- ➤ **Great Britain** holds a slender one-point lead ahead of Pool C opponents Brazil as they chase the Grand Final in Madrid. Currently in the safety of eighth, their 10-point lead after Perth has been cut to just two points following their 11th-place result in Vancouver, 10th in Los Angeles, and ninth-place finish in Hong Kong.
  - They are currently on a three-game winning streak, their longest this season. They have not won four-straight games since Sydney and Hamilton in 2023.
  - ➤ They will look to increase their try-scoring rate after averaging 10.7 per tournament this season, almost five fewer than their 2023 season average (15.4).
  - ➤ They have scored 39% of their tries this season from quick-tap possession, the second-highest ratio of any team behind Australia.
  - ➤ They produced their best efficiency rate inside the opposition 22 this season last round, converting 83% of their visits into tries in Hong Kong.
  - They have increased their offloading rate across the past two tournaments, averaging 4.5 per game in Los Angeles and Hong Kong compared to 2.9 per game between Dubai and Vancouver.



- ➤ Their discipline has improved as the season has progressed, with their penalty count dropping from 4.2 per game between Dubai and Perth to three per game since Vancouver.
  - ➤ They have earned two yellow cards in five of their six tournaments played this season, the third most overall (10) of any team this season.
- Their try assist ratio has jumped from a season average of 45% between Dubai and Vancouver to 64% since Los Angeles.
- ➤ Goal kicking has been an issue this season converting just 54% of their attempts, the third-lowest success-rate of any team. They have kicked just one of their 22 conversion attempts from the left and right channels combined.
- They enjoyed their highest restart retention success in a tournament this season last round, with 31% in Hong Kong.
- ➤ Great Britain have scored 17 points exactly in both games this season against Fiji, with one win and one loss. Defence was their key to victory in their golden point victory last meeting, missing just one tackle attempt.
- ➤ Great Britain have never led Australia at half-time on the HSBC SVNS Series, but were able to overcome a five-point deficit at the break to win their last meeting 19-12 in Perth.
  - > They were able to hold Australia scoreless in the second-half despite their defence completing just 76% of their tackle attempts.
- ➤ Great Britain have not conceded more than 12 points in a match against Brazil this season, but have struggled to score themselves, averaging just 19 points per game across their three meetings in 2024 compared to 28 points per game between 2022-23.
- ➤ **Ireland** have won just five of their past 15 games since claiming their inaugural Cup title in Perth. Nine of their 10 losses in this period have been comprehensive, by 14 points or more.
  - ➤ They have dropped one place into seventh on the HSBC SVNS after earning just 16 competition points across the past three events, less than half of their total of 38 between Dubai and Perth.
  - ➤ Their try scoring rate has dropped significantly across the second-half of the season they averaged 16 tries per tournament between Dubai and Perth, but this has fallen to nine per event since Vancouver.
    - ➤ They scored just seven tries in Hong Kong, their fewest at any SVNS tournament since Sydney in 2020.
  - They have scored 42% of their tries this season from set-piece possession, the second-highest ratio of any team behind USA (57%).
  - ➤ Their attack continues to struggle to break the defensive line since Vancouver they have averaged one line-break every 10.8 carries compared to a ratio of 5.9 between Dubai and Perth.
  - They success-rate inside the opposition 22 has dropped from 80% between Dubai and Vancouver, to just 55% since Los Angeles.
  - They are averaging the third-highest retention success from the restart of any team this season with 22%, however this has dropped to just 12% since Los Angeles in the absence of Lucy Mulhall through injury.
  - Ireland are chasing their first win this season against all three Pool A opponents:
    - This will be their first match against Canada since the Cup quarter-finals in the opening round in Dubai, and only the fourth time they have played them since the





- start of last season. They have rarely met in the pool rounds, with this only their third game at this stage since the start of the 2022 Series.
- ➤ They have never tasted victory against New Zealand, losing all 19 previous HSBC SVNS meetings, and all four this season by an average margin of 24 points.
- This will be their first match against Spain since Sydney last season. They are currently enjoying a six-game winning streak dating back to Dubai in 2021.
- ➤ **Japan** produced their best result of the season last round, finishing seventh in Hong Kong. They remain seven points adrift from the safely of eight-place on the HSBC SVNS standings.
  - ➤ Their main try scoring source this season has been the set-piece (33%), but 50% of their tries scored last round in Hong Kong came via steals.
  - They are making more offloads in the second half of the season, averaging five per game since Vancouver, compared to 3.5 per game between Dubai and Perth.
  - They have won two of their past four games when behind at half-time, against Great Britain in Los Angeles and Spain in Hong Kong, compared to one win from 13 games when trailing at the break.
  - After conceding a tournament-high 22 tries in Los Angeles, their defence improved in Hong Kong conceding just 12 tries, the fourth fewest of any team and their least in a single tournament in their SVNS history.
    - They completed 81% of their tackle attempts in Hong Kong, well above their season average of 73% coming into the event.
  - ➤ They rarely kick away possession, with the second-fewest made of any team this season (10) behind Australia. They have made one kick or less in four of their six tournaments this season.
    - ➤ Instead, they look for width with ball in hand, averaging the most passes per game of any team this season (40.1).
  - ➤ They will look to convert their time in possession in to points against France, after scoring just one try from 26 carries and 40 passes in their 35-7 loss in their only meeting this season in Los Angeles.
    - Their defence conceded five tries from five visits to their own 22, and completed just 60% of their tackle attempts.
  - Japan will be looking to end a 12-game losing streak against USA dating back to Atlanta on the 2015-16 Series. Their five-point loss last round in Hong Kong was their narrowest in this fixture since 2018.
  - ➤ Japan have scored 11 tries against South Africa this season, their second-most against any opponent behind Spain (14).
    - Three of their nine wins in total this season have been against South Africa.
    - > They have only conceded one first half try against South Africa this season.
- New Zealand are looking to finish top of the regular season ladder for the second consecutive year, and eighth time in their history. They dropped as low as third on the HSBC SVNS standings after Cape Town, before finally taking top spot from Australia in Hong Kong.
  - > Tied on competition points, they enjoy a +57 points differential ahead of Australia.
  - They have won the past three Cup titles since Vancouver after reaching the Cup final just once across the opening three tournaments this season.



- They have been the top try-scoring team at each of the past three rounds, with 32 in Vancouver, 35 in Los Angeles, and 26 in Hong Kong and are the top try-scoring team this season with 162 in total.
- ➤ Their main try-scoring source this season has been the restart with 31% originating from this possession, the highest ratio of any team.
- They have ruthless with ball in hand this season, averaging one line-break every 4.7 carries and one try every 1.6 rucks, the best ratios of any team.
- ➤ They enjoy the best success-rate of any team inside the opposition 22 this season, scoring from 90% of their entries.
  - They have made 30 or more visits to the red zone in each of their past three tournaments since Vancouver, the most of any team in this period.
- > After averaging 2.5 errors per game between Dubai and Perth, this dropped to 1.7 per game since Vancouver.
- > Their defence has conceded fewest tries of any team this season with just 9.8 per event.
  - Their tackle completion rate has improved from a season average of 79% after Perth to 85% since Vancouver.
  - ➤ They have held their opposition to two tries or less in 28 of their 35 games this season. Only Australia, Fiji, France and Canada have crossed the Black Ferns 7s try-line three or more times in a match.
- They have only lost two games in total against Ireland, Spain and Canada combined in SVNS history, winning 66 of 68 total matches against their Pool A opponents.
  - ➤ Their only Women's Series loss against Spain came in London in 2015. This will be only their second meeting against them this season after the Cup quarter-finals in Vancouver, and third overall since the start of the 2022 Series. They have not conceded a point against Spain since Langford in 2019, enjoying an aggregate score-line of 65-0 since 2022.
  - Three of their four victories against Ireland this season have been comprehensive, by 24 points or more. Only in Perth did the margin come within a converted try.
  - ➤ Their only Women's Series loss against Canada came in the Cup semi-finals in São Paulo in 2016, 27 games ago. They have scored 22 tries across five games against Canada this season, their second-most against any opponent.
- > South Africa have not won a match since the pool rounds in Los Angeles, and will be looking to end a seven-game losing streak dating back to the Cup quarter-finals there.
  - They have been ahead or level in nine of their 30 games this season, but have converted this first-half advantage into just three victories. Two of their five total win this season have come when trailing at the break.
  - Their main try scoring source this season has been the quick-tap, with 30% originating from this possession origin. However, in Hong Kong 50% originated from the restart.
    - ➤ They have been quick to counter-attack this season, scoring 27% of their tries from opposition errors or steals, the highest ratio of any team.
  - After scoring 10 tries in Dubai, they have been held to seven or fewer in each of their past five tournaments.
  - They will look to improve their efficiency inside the opposition 22 which has dropped from 64% after Perth to just 54% since Vancouver.



- Despite kicking just 60% of their conversions this season, they were perfect in Hong Kong, successful in all six attempts.
  - ➤ They have missed just one shot at goal from the middle of the field this season, with their 95% success-rate the best of any team from this zone.
- They have conceded the joint-second most tries of any team this season with 17.8 per event, including a the most of any team in the past two rounds with 22 in Los Angeles and 18 in Hong Kong.
  - They have the lowest tackle completion-rate of any team this season with 66% and are averaging the second-most missed tackles per game (6.1) behind Fiji.
- They have made the most kicks in play of any team this season with 44, enjoying the second-highest retention rate with 46%.
- ➤ In their 10th HSBC SVNS match against USA, it has been eight years since their one and only victory against them in Dubai on the 2016-17 Series. They have scored just one try against USA this season across two previous meetings, courtesy of Nadine Roos in the Cup quarter-finals in Los Angeles.
- South Africa suffered their second heaviest defeat in SVNS history last time they met France, with a 53-0 loss in Los Angeles. They have been held scoreless in their past three halves of rugby against France, with their only try this season coming from Ayanda Malinga in the second minute in Cape Town.
- South Africa are still chasing their first HSBC SVNS win against Japan, with four losses overall since last season. They have never scored more than one try in a game against Japan. They have only made five visits to the Japan red zone across three games this season.
- ➤ **Spain** remain in 12th on the HSBC SVNS standings after an 11th-place result in Hong Kong, with the deficit now sitting at 18 points as they chase the safety of eighth place.
  - They have only finished higher than 11th once this season, with a seventh-place result in Vancouver.
  - They have won just five games this season, with only two victories in the pool rounds, against Great Britain in Vancouver and Los Angeles.
  - Four of their five games in Hong Kong were decided by a margin of seven points or less.
  - ➤ All five victories this season have come when they have been ahead or level at half-time; they have not overturned a deficit at the break to win since the opening round of the 2023 Series against Fiji in Dubai.
  - ➤ They will look to increase their try-scoring rate after averaging just seven per tournament this season. Their 42 tries after six rounds are the second-fewest of any team ahead of South Africa (37).
    - They have not scored more than nine tries in a single tournament this season, after scoring 10 or more in five of seven events in 2023.
  - Their main scoring sources this season have been the quick-tap and set-piece, with 31% originating from both possessions.
  - They will look to improve the strike-rate on attack, averaging the most rucks per try of any team this season with 10.3, and the highest carry per line-break ratio of 16.
    - They made the fewest line-breaks of any team in Hong Kong (5) from the most carries (147), averaging one line-break every 29 carries.





- They have made the fewest visits to the opposition 22 of any team this season (62), converting just 68% of these entries into tries, the second-lowest success-rate. However, they were successful in eight of their 10 entries last round in Hong Kong, their highest rate since Cape Town (90%) earlier this season.
- Fifty-eight per cent of their tries this season have been directly assisted by a team-mate this season, the joint-highest ratio of any team alongside Australia.
- They will look to improve their error-rate, averaging the second-most per game of any team this season with 2.9.
- ➤ Spain have scored just one try against New Zealand across their past five meetings since Dubai on the 2018 Series. They will look to improve their attack after failing to make a single line-break or visit the opposition 22 in their quarter-final loss in Vancouver. They missed 17 tackles in their 36-0 defeat, with a 35% completion-rate.
- Canada are responsible for Spain's fifth-largest loss of the season so far, a 31-point defeat in Los Angeles. Spain have not scored a second-half point against Canada since Dubai, held scoreless in this period in each of their past three matches this season.
- ➤ They will look to end a six-game losing streak against Ireland they have not tasted victory in this fixture since Sydney in 2020, the last time they scored more than two tries in a game against Ireland (won 24-5).
- ➤ **USA** remain in fourth on the HSBC SVNS standings, just six points behind France has they look to equal their third-place finish on the 2023 Series.
  - ➤ Their scoring rate has picked up across the past two tournaments, averaging 21.5 tries per event since Los Angeles, compared to 14.8 between Dubai and Vancouver.
  - > They require 18 tries to set a new season record:

USA – Most Tries in a Series	
119	2014-15
115	2019
114	2023
106	2016-17
102*	2024

- > They have scored 57% of their tries this season from set-piece possession, the highest ratio of any team.
- They will look to improve their efficiency inside the opposition 22 after squandering eight chances inside the red zone in Hong Kong, their lowest success-rate this season (68%).
- ➤ They have been accurate with ball in hand, averaging the joint-fewest errors per game with 2.1 alongside New Zealand.
- ➤ They were the most ill-disciplined team in Hong Kong, conceding a tournament-high 22 penalties and earning two yellow cards.
- ➤ USA have conceded just one try against South Africa this season, outscoring them by a combined total of 58-7 across both meetings. They have not conceded a first-half point against them this season.
- ➤ They have been level or behind at half-time against Japan in their past two meetings since Vancouver after enjoying a 28-point lead at the break against them in Perth. They have conceded just one second-half try against Japan this season, outscoring them 36-5 combined after half-time.
- After conceding 70 points against France across their first two meetings in Dubai and Cape Town, their defence has conceded just 10 points across two games since Perth.





# **KEY PLAYER STATS**

- ➤ Maddison Levi is still the top try-scorer this season, but her lead has been cut from seven tries after Cape Town to just three tries after Hong Kong. She is only three tries away from surpassing Emilee Cherry (131) and moving into third all-time for Australia.
- Australia will be without **Charlotte Caslick** for the first time since Hamilton in 2020, ending a run of 20 consecutive SVNS events, and 23 tournaments overall including Tokyo 2020, 2022 Commonwealth Games, and RWC Sevens 2022 she has played. She has made the most try-assists of any player this season with 24.
  - With no Sharni Smale as well, Australia lose 103 tournaments worth of experience, and will be without *both* half-centurions for the first time since Kitakyushu in 2018.
- ➤ Thalia Da Silva Costa is Brazil's top try-scorer this season (21) requires just six more tries to break her own season record of 26 tries set on the 2022 Series. She has scored the joint-fourth most doubles of any player this season with five.
- Canada's **Chloe Daniels** has been their main play-maker this season with a team-high eight try assists. Six of her 10 kicks in play have been retained, the highest success-rate of any player who has made more than seven this season. Two kicks have resulted in try assists.
- Ana Maria Naisami will become Fiji's most capped HSBC SVNS player in her 40th tournament. She is already their leading point (552) and try (84) scorer.
- ➤ Raijeli Daveua has directly contributed to 10 of Fiji's 39 tries scored since Vancouver (26%) with six tries and four assists across the past three events.
- France's **Shannon Izar** returns to the HSBC SVNS for the first time since Langford in 2022. She is still their third all-time leading point scorer (449) and joint-sixth top try-scorer (59).
- ➤ Great Britain's **Emma Uren** has made the most tackles of any player this season (85). She requires three more tries to reach 50 combined for Great Britain and England.
- ➤ Isla Norman-Bell has been Great Britain's main play-maker this season with a team-high 12 try assists, including three for Ellie Boatman and Grace Crompton, their best combination.
- ➤ In the absence of Lucy Mulhall, **Amee Leigh Murphy Crowe** and **Eve Higgins** have carried the scoring responsibilities for Ireland, combining for eight of the team's 16 tries scored since Los Angeles (50%).
- New Zealand's **Michaela Blyde** is now only three tries behind Maddison Levi in the race to become top try-scorer at the end of the season.
  - ➤ She has scored 31 tries across the past three events compared to just 12 across the opening three rounds of the season.
  - ➤ She has scored the second-most doubles (11) and hat-tricks (3) behind Maddison Levi.
  - Seven of her tries have been assisted by **Shiray Kaka**, the second-best combination of any duo this season behind Charlotte Caslick and Maddison Levi (9).
- South Africa's **Nadine Roos** is directly responsible for 52% of South Africa's total points this season scoring 119 of their 229, including a team-high 15 tries.
  - ➤ She has made the most kicks in play of any player this season (24) enjoying a retention success of 38%.
  - She has made the joint-most steals of any player this season with six alongside teammate Simamkele Namba.
- > Spain's **Marta Cantabrana Gil** is their top try-scorer this season with six, with four coming across the past two tournaments.
- ➤ **Ilona Maher** has made the most offloads of any player this season with 35, with seven resulting a try assist (20%).