

Introduction

The latest routine international evaluation for udder traits took place as scheduled at the Interbull Centre. Data from thirty-three (33) countries were included in this evaluation.

International genetic evaluations for udder health traits of bulls from Australia, Austria-Germany, Belgium, Canada, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark-Finland-Sweden, Estonia, France, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, South Africa, Slovak Republic, Spain, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, the United States of America, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Croatia, Slovenia, Portugal and Uruguay were computed. Brown Swiss, Holstein, Red Dairy Cattle, Guernsey, Jersey and Simmental breed data were included in this evaluation.

Countries sending real MAS data (other countries participate to the MAS evaluation using SCS data as predictor):

HOL : DFS, NLD, FRA, CAN, ITA, CHE, USA, DEU, GBR, AUS
RDC : DFS, NLD, CAN, GBR, AUS
BSW : NLD, FRA, CHE, GBR, USA
JER : DFS, NLD, CAN, GBR, AUS, USA
SIM : NLD, CHE, GBR
GUE : No evaluation for MAS yet

Changes in national procedures

Changes in the national genetic evaluation of conformation traits are as follows:

BEL (HOL) Drop in daughters, herds, EDC and reliabilities due to corrections in pedigree.
Missing bulls because the pedigree correction removed number of herds and daughters.
CHE (ALL) Change in number of herds, EDC and reliabilities due to manual data edits and hYS assignment.
DEU (HOL) Overall base change. From this routine run onwards cow base is adjusted with each routine run, four months (birth month) forwards.
Drop in information and reliabilities due to data editing.
DFS (HOL,JER,RDC) Drop in EDC mostly cause by rounding effect.
ESP (HOL) Base changed.
Drop in information due to new checks in data editing.
FRA (HOL) Drop in information due to the pedigree update.
IRL (HOL) Drop in information due to correction in the pedigree based on genomic information.
ITA (HOL) Increase in the threshold of reliability and daughters per herd meant that many bulls no longer achieved the requirements for submission.
ITA (SIM) Drop in information due to pedigree editing.
JPN (HOL) Changes in bulls EDC due to pedigree editing.
LVA (HOL,RDC) Implementation of a new recording system that caused decrease in information and led to some bulls changing from official to unofficial.
NLD (ALL) Drop in information due to pedigree corrections.
POL (HOL) The Polish Federation of Cattle Breeders and Milk Producers replaced the milk recording system SYMLEK by the FEDINFO system.
Due to this change, a marginal number of animals have been assigned to a native breed instead of Holstein-Friesian.
These bulls were removed from the evaluation.
USA (ALL) Drop in information due to pedigree corrections and herd-year edits.

INTERBULL CHANGES COMPARED TO THE PREVIOUS ROUTINE RUN

In 2020 new post-processing windows\200\231 correlations for all breeds and traits have been applied: the upper bounds have been set to 0.99 as these were judged to have very little effect on evaluations while the lower values have been reduced to the 10th percentile. This reduction would provide post-processed correlations to be closer to the real estimated ones. The previously lower value adopted (based on the 25th percentile) had been found too high causing estimated and post-processed correlations to differ significantly from each other. It is a recommendation from the Interbull Technical Committee to review such windows every 5 years. The weight assigned to the magnitude of the changes tested by each country has also been revised. The new weight will allow post-processed correlations to take more in consideration the value of the new estimated ones even when no changes are applied by the countries. More information can be read on https://interbull.org/ib/rg_procedure

Since 2021 a new trait group has been added to the MACE evaluation, called stcm (SNP Training for clinical mastitis) evaluating the trait cma (pure clinical mastitis). New trait group codes have been issued as follows: 041 for international ebv files (.itb), 071 for parent average (ipr).

DATA AND METHOD OF ANALYSIS

Data were national genetic evaluations of AI sampled bulls with at least 10 daughters or 10 EDC (for clinical mastitis and maternal calving traits at least

50 daughters or 50 EDC, and for direct calving traits at least 50 calvings or 50 EDC) in at least 10 herds. Table 1 presents the amount of data included in this Interbull evaluation for all breeds.

National proofs were first de-regressed within country and then analysed jointly with a linear model including the effects of evaluation country, genetic group of bull and bull merit. Heritability estimates used in both the de-regression and international evaluation were as in each country's national evaluation.

Table 2 presents the date of evaluation as supplied by each country

Estimated genetic parameters and sire standard deviations are shown in APPENDIX I and the corresponding number of common bulls are listed in APPENDIX II.

SCIENTIFIC LITERATURE

The international genetic evaluation procedure is based on international work described in the following scientific publications:

International genetic evaluation computation:
Schaeffer, 1994. J. Dairy Sci. 77:2671-2678
Klei, 1998. Interbull Bulletin 17:3-7

Verification and Genetic trend validation:
Klei et al., 2002. Interbull Bulletin 29:178-182.
Boichard et al., 1995. J. Dairy Sci. 78:431-437

Weighting factors:
Fikse and Banos, 2001. J. Dairy Sci. 84:1759-1767

De-regression:
Sigurdsson and G. Banos. 1995. Acta Agric. Scand. 45:207-219
Jairath et al. 1998. J. Dairy Sci. Vol. 81:550-562

Genetic parameter estimation:
Klei and Weigel, 1998, Interbull Bulletin 17:8-14
Sullivan, 1999. Interbull Bulletin 22:146-148

Post-processing of estimated genetic correlations:
Mark et al., 2003, Interbull Bulletin 30:126-135
Jorjani et al., 2003. J. Dairy Sci. 86:677-679
<https://wiki.interbull.org/public/rG%20procedure?action=print>

Time edits
Weigel and Banos. 1997. J. Dairy Sci. 80:3425-3430

International reliability estimation
Harris and Johnson. 1998. Interbull Bulletin 17:31-36

NEXT ROUTINE INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION

Dates for the next routine evaluation can be found on
<http://www.interbull.org/ib/servicecalendar>.

NEXT TEST INTERNATIONAL EVALUATION

Dates for the next test run can be found on
<http://www.interbull.org/ib/servicecalendar>.

PUBLICATION OF INTERBULL ROUTINE RUN

Results were distributed by the Interbull Centre to designated representatives in each country. The international evaluation file comprised

international proofs expressed on the base and unit of each country included in the analysis. Such records readily provide more information on bull performance in various countries, thereby minimizing the need to resort to conversions.

At the same time, all recipients of Interbull results are expected to honor the agreed code of practice, decided by the Interbull Steering Committee, and only publish international evaluations on their own country scale. Evaluations expressed on another country scale are confidential and may only be used internally for research and review purposes.

PUBLICATION OF INTERBULL TEST RUN

Test evaluation results are meant for review purposes only and should not be published.

^LTable 1. National evaluation data considered in the Interbull evaluation for udder health (August Routine Evaluation 2024). Number of records for milk somatic cells by breed

| Country | BSW | GUE | HOL | JER | RDC | SIM |
|-------------|-------|------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| AUS | | 153 | 8958 | 1781 | 849 | |
| BEL | | | 2370 | | | |
| CAN | 287 | 111 | 14183 | 916 | 894 | |
| CHE | 3273 | | 3461 | 105 | | 3718 |
| CZE | | | 4912 | | | |
| DEA | 6157 | | | | | 25348 |
| DEU | | | 24753 | | 312 | |
| DFS | | | 14777 | 2384 | 8376 | |
| ESP | | | 4766 | | | |
| EST | | | 1447 | | 495 | |
| FRA | 505 | | 18753 | | | 498 |
| FRM | | | | | | 4897 |
| GBR | 163 | 315 | 7771 | 803 | 623 | 110 |
| HUN | | | 3164 | | | 190 |
| IRL | | | 3258 | | | |
| ISR | | | 1783 | | | |
| ITA | 2235 | | 9321 | 59 | | 1899 |
| JPN | | | 7206 | | | |
| KOR | | | 1716 | | | |
| LTU | | | 898 | | 362 | |
| LVA | | | 1408 | | 679 | |
| NLD | 250 | | 17459 | 287 | 111 | 545 |
| NOR | | | | | 4394 | |
| NZL | 80 | 57 | 9164 | 5257 | 1477 | |
| POL | | | 13133 | | | |
| PRT | | | 2966 | | | |
| SVK | | | 1201 | | | |
| SVN | 353 | | 726 | | | 719 |
| URY | | | 2189 | | | |
| USA | 1214 | 750 | 42925 | 5415 | 786 | 118 |
| ZAF | | | 1206 | 621 | 125 | |
| HRV | | | 986 | | | 1069 |
| CAM | | | | | 49 | |
| No. Records | 14517 | 1386 | 226860 | 17628 | 19532 | 39111 |
| Pub. Proofs | 11533 | 1067 | 161614 | 14227 | 18322 | 35036 |

^LAPPENDIX I. Sire standard deviations in diagonal and genetic correlations below diagonal

BSW scs

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| | CAN | FRA | NLD | USA | CHE | DEA | NZL | ITA | GBR | SVN |
| CAN | 6.54 | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.91 | 1.02 | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.90 | 0.93 | 3.69 | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.85 | 0.21 | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.89 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.80 | 10.56 | | | | | |
| DEA | 0.87 | 0.97 | 0.92 | 0.85 | 0.96 | 11.92 | | | | |
| NZL | 0.71 | 0.76 | 0.77 | 0.67 | 0.72 | 0.64 | 0.37 | | | |
| ITA | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.83 | 0.96 | 0.91 | 0.67 | 15.36 | | |
| GBR | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.94 | 0.80 | 0.89 | 11.22 | |
| SVN | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.68 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 11.00 |

BSW mas

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|-----|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|
| | CAN | FRA | NLD | USA | CHE | DEA | NZL | ITA | GBR | SVN |
| CAN | 6.45 | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.81 | 0.96 | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.80 | 0.73 | 4.04 | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.81 | 0.84 | 0.75 | 2.93 | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.80 | 11.46 | | | | | |
| DEA | 0.89 | 0.69 | 0.88 | 0.71 | 0.90 | 11.93 | | | | |
| NZL | 0.68 | 0.64 | 0.65 | 0.64 | 0.69 | 0.74 | 0.37 | | | |
| ITA | 0.85 | 0.72 | 0.81 | 0.67 | 0.88 | 0.92 | 0.70 | 15.36 | | |
| GBR | 0.83 | 0.83 | 0.83 | 0.80 | 0.82 | 0.73 | 0.64 | 0.74 | 2.24 | |
| SVN | 0.79 | 0.72 | 0.73 | 0.72 | 0.71 | 0.82 | 0.76 | 0.83 | 0.76 | 10.98 |

GUE scs

| | | | | | |
|-----|------|-------|------|------|------|
| | CAN | GBR | USA | AUS | NZL |
| CAN | 6.00 | | | | |
| GBR | 0.92 | 13.55 | | | |
| USA | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.24 | | |
| AUS | 0.81 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.23 | |
| NZL | 0.75 | 0.81 | 0.69 | 0.89 | 0.62 |

HOL scs

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|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|--------|------|------|-------|-------|-----|--|
| | CAN | CHE | DEU | DFS | EST | FRA | GBR | NLD | USA | ISR | ITA | AUS | HUN | BEL | JPN | ESP | ZAF | NZL | IRL | CZE | SVK | POL | LTU | LVA | PRT | KOR | SVN | HRV | URY | |
| CAN | 5.71 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.90 | 10.78 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEU | 0.94 | 0.95 | 12.90 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.93 | 0.92 | 0.97 | 11.78 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EST | 0.89 | 0.88 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 18.74 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.95 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.96 | 0.90 | 1.14 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.90 | 0.96 | 12.88 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.92 | 0.95 | 0.97 | 0.95 | 0.91 | 0.95 | 0.96 | 4.23 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.94 | 0.84 | 0.89 | 0.87 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.20 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ISR | 0.85 | 0.82 | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.82 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.86 | 0.24 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ITA | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.94 | 0.91 | 0.90 | 0.88 | 0.81 | 5.84 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.79 | 0.85 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.74 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.74 | 0.65 | 0.77 | 0.25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HUN | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.88 | 0.91 | 0.86 | 0.93 | 0.73 | 1.36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEL | 0.92 | 0.92 | 0.97 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.93 | 0.94 | 0.89 | 0.81 | 0.94 | 0.79 | 0.92 | 0.52 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JPN | 0.86 | 0.79 | 0.83 | 0.85 | 0.81 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.75 | 0.80 | 0.73 | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.45 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ESP | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 0.96 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.85 | 0.95 | 0.77 | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.82 | 11.87 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.90 | 0.88 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.87 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 0.88 | 0.89 | 0.80 | 0.92 | 0.82 | 0.90 | 0.91 | 0.84 | 0.94 | 26.30 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NZL | 0.76 | 0.81 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 0.72 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 0.81 | 0.69 | 0.63 | 0.73 | 0.90 | 0.67 | 0.75 | 0.77 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.41 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IRL | 0.80 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.86 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.77 | 0.74 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.86 | 0.75 | 0.84 | 0.82 | 0.81 | 0.12 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CZE | 0.87 | 0.82 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.86 | 0.77 | 0.90 | 0.70 | 0.89 | 0.90 | 0.83 | 0.92 | 0.89 | 0.70 | 0.75 | 15.38 | | | | | | | | | | |
| SVK | 0.85 | 0.86 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.87 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.85 | 0.81 | 0.90 | 0.70 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 0.77 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.65 | 0.81 | 0.89 | 0.40 | | | | | | | | | |
| POL | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 0.93 | 0.76 | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.80 | 0.94 | 0.88 | 0.72 | 0.83 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 10.92 | | | | | | | | |
| LTU | 0.82 | 0.86 | 0.90 | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.86 | 0.79 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.70 | 0.87 | 0.92 | 0.77 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 0.68 | 0.79 | 0.86 | 0.87 | 0.90 | 0.36 | | | | | | | |
| LVA | 0.86 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.84 | 0.79 | 0.91 | 0.80 | 0.91 | 0.94 | 0.79 | 0.90 | 0.88 | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.94 | 0.90 | 480.07 | | | | | | |
| PRT | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.78 | 0.67 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.67 | 0.75 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.45 | | | | |
| KOR | 0.88 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.87 | 0.89 | 0.85 | 0.86 | 0.79 | 0.87 | 0.78 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.83 | 0.74 | 0.71 | 0.80 | 0.79 | 0.90 | 0.81 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.33 | | | | |
| SVN | 0.79 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.83 | 0.77 | 0.74 | 0.84 | 0.75 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.77 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.70 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.86 | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 10.64 | | | |
| HRV | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.67 | 0.84 | 0.82 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.78 | 0.60 | 0.74 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 11.63 | | |

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 HOL mas

| | CAN | CHE | DEU | DFS | EST | FRA | GBR | NLD | USA | ISR | ITA | AUS | HUN | BEL | JPN | ESP | ZAF | NZL | IRL | CZE | SVK | POL | LTU | LVA | PRT | KOR | SVN | HRV | URY |
|-----|------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|--------|------|------|-------|-------|------|
| CAN | 7.59 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.93 | 11.04 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DEU | 0.91 | 0.88 | 9.33 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.94 | 0.89 | 0.90 | 12.27 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EST | 0.80 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 18.75 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.96 | 0.95 | 0.91 | 0.93 | 0.82 | 1.15 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.82 | 0.84 | 0.76 | 0.88 | 2.36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.84 | 0.91 | 0.80 | 0.85 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.83 | 5.06 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.87 | 0.83 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.78 | 0.90 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 2.50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ISR | 0.74 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.78 | 0.87 | 0.75 | 0.69 | 0.76 | 0.73 | 0.24 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ITA | 0.79 | 0.88 | 0.70 | 0.76 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.75 | 0.89 | 0.66 | 0.76 | 6.08 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.64 | 0.68 | 0.64 | 0.64 | 0.71 | 0.63 | 0.64 | 0.64 | 0.64 | 0.67 | 0.64 | 0.12 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| HUN | 0.84 | 0.88 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.90 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.74 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.68 | 1.36 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BEL | 0.87 | 0.94 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.93 | 0.88 | 0.83 | 0.89 | 0.76 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.74 | 0.93 | 0.52 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| JPN | 0.74 | 0.83 | 0.68 | 0.72 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.69 | 0.79 | 0.68 | 0.76 | 0.83 | 0.68 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.45 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ESP | 0.85 | 0.91 | 0.77 | 0.85 | 0.89 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.75 | 0.85 | 0.87 | 0.71 | 0.93 | 0.96 | 0.84 | 11.86 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.83 | 0.89 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 0.79 | 0.84 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.74 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.86 | 0.95 | 26.03 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NZL | 0.62 | 0.70 | 0.63 | 0.62 | 0.72 | 0.62 | 0.62 | 0.62 | 0.62 | 0.72 | 0.65 | 0.75 | 0.71 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.41 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| IRL | 0.77 | 0.86 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.86 | 0.78 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.66 | 0.79 | 0.81 | 0.76 | 0.86 | 0.94 | 0.82 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.90 | 0.11 | | | | | | | | | | |
| CZE | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.85 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.84 | 0.72 | 0.79 | 0.88 | 0.68 | 0.90 | 0.92 | 0.85 | 0.92 | 0.90 | 0.72 | 0.84 | 15.38 | | | | | | | | | |
| SVK | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.79 | 0.86 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.68 | 0.93 | 0.92 | 0.78 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.71 | 0.85 | 0.90 | 0.40 | | | | | | | | |
| POL | 0.86 | 0.90 | 0.79 | 0.86 | 0.93 | 0.84 | 0.83 | 0.86 | 0.74 | 0.84 | 0.85 | 0.69 | 0.95 | 0.97 | 0.82 | 0.95 | 0.89 | 0.74 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 10.88 | | | | | | | |
| LTU | 0.79 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.82 | 0.76 | 0.79 | 0.71 | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.68 | 0.87 | 0.92 | 0.76 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.71 | 0.83 | 0.86 | 0.88 | 0.89 | 0.36 | | | | | | |
| LVA | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.73 | 0.81 | 0.92 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.83 | 0.72 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 0.73 | 0.91 | 0.94 | 0.77 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.79 | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.95 | 0.90 | 479.43 | | | | | |
| PRT | 0.73 | 0.81 | 0.70 | 0.74 | 0.78 | 0.74 | 0.70 | 0.75 | 0.68 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.68 | 0.82 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.71 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.81 | 0.45 | | | |
| KOR | 0.79 | 0.82 | 0.69 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.78 | 0.76 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.69 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.83 | 0.89 | 0.83 | 0.74 | 0.83 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.91 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.33 | | | |
| SVN | 0.78 | 0.81 | 0.73 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.68 | 0.74 | 0.76 | 0.69 | 0.80 | 0.89 | 0.77 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.73 | 0.89 | 0.79 | 0.79 | 0.87 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 10.66 | | |
| HRV | 0.69 | 0.77 | 0.69 | 0.69 | 0.83 | 0.70 | 0.75 | 0.76 | 0.70 | 0.78 | 0.75 | 0.68 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.77 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.71 | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 0.84 | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.79 | 11.40 | |
| URY | 0.69 | 0.74 | 0.73 | 0.69 | 0.80 | 0.68 | 0.69 | 0.71 | 0.68 | 0.76 | 0.71 | 0.68 | 0.80 | 0.83 | 0.77 | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.78 | 0.85 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.83 | 0.78 | 0.81 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.77 | 0.20 |

 JER scs

| | CAN | DFS | GBR | NLD | USA | AUS | ZAF | NZL | CHE | ITA |
|-----|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| CAN | 5.99 | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.91 | 12.40 | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.92 | 0.92 | 11.39 | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.92 | 0.95 | 0.95 | 4.10 | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.90 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 0.17 | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.77 | 0.83 | 0.83 | 0.85 | 0.72 | 0.23 | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.86 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.80 | 20.91 | | | |
| NZL | 0.67 | 0.72 | 0.76 | 0.78 | 0.65 | 0.89 | 0.73 | 0.39 | | |
| CHE | 0.87 | 0.85 | 0.85 | 0.90 | 0.81 | 0.72 | 0.81 | 0.67 | 13.38 | |
| ITA | 0.87 | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.73 | 0.87 | 0.65 | 0.85 | 6.53 |

 JER mas

| | CAN | DFS | GBR | NLD | USA | AUS | ZAF | NZL | CHE | ITA |
|-----|------|-------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|-------|------|
| CAN | 7.52 | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.92 | 11.79 | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.78 | 0.84 | 1.94 | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.82 | 0.83 | 0.81 | 4.58 | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.79 | 0.76 | 0.73 | 0.71 | 2.52 | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.64 | 0.65 | 0.64 | 0.72 | 0.64 | 0.11 | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.72 | 0.71 | 0.71 | 0.82 | 0.70 | 0.72 | 20.88 | | | |
| NZL | 0.63 | 0.63 | 0.63 | 0.67 | 0.63 | 0.71 | 0.76 | 0.38 | | |
| CHE | 0.82 | 0.81 | 0.75 | 0.79 | 0.75 | 0.70 | 0.80 | 0.73 | 13.34 | |
| ITA | 0.76 | 0.73 | 0.74 | 0.85 | 0.67 | 0.69 | 0.83 | 0.70 | 0.83 | 6.53 |

 RDC scs

| | CAN | DFS | GBR | NOR | USA | DEU | AUS | EST | ZAF | NZL | LTU | LVA | NLD | CAM |
|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|------|------|
| CAN | 6.09 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.93 | 12.94 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.94 | 0.91 | 11.67 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| NOR | 0.85 | 0.91 | 0.80 | 13.61 | | | | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.92 | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.79 | 0.23 | | | | | | | | | |
| DEU | 0.94 | 0.96 | 0.95 | 0.90 | 0.88 | 14.29 | | | | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.80 | 0.84 | 0.86 | 0.82 | 0.71 | 0.83 | 0.26 | | | | | | | |
| EST | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 0.85 | 0.93 | 0.80 | 18.92 | | | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.82 | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.91 | 0.75 | 0.87 | 25.25 | | | | | |
| NZL | 0.76 | 0.76 | 0.80 | 0.74 | 0.70 | 0.78 | 0.89 | 0.74 | 0.77 | 0.43 | | | | |
| LTU | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.84 | 0.90 | 0.79 | 0.89 | 0.80 | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.75 | 0.37 | | | |
| LVA | 0.86 | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.85 | 0.83 | 0.92 | 0.82 | 0.94 | 0.87 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 433.82 | | |
| NLD | 0.92 | 0.95 | 0.94 | 0.86 | 0.86 | 0.96 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.79 | 0.85 | 0.87 | 4.22 | |
| CAM | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 0.85 | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.82 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.89 | 6.28 |

RDC mas

| | CAN | DFS | GBR | NOR | USA | AUS | EST | ZAF | NZL | LTU | LVA | NLD | CAM |
|-----|------|-------|------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|--------|------|------|
| CAN | 8.40 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| DFS | 0.88 | 13.39 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| GBR | 0.87 | 0.82 | 2.10 | | | | | | | | | | |
| NOR | 0.81 | 0.70 | 0.73 | 13.61 | | | | | | | | | |
| USA | 0.79 | 0.73 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 0.23 | | | | | | | | |
| AUS | 0.65 | 0.64 | 0.65 | 0.77 | 0.67 | 0.12 | | | | | | | |
| EST | 0.81 | 0.72 | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.80 | 0.72 | 18.92 | | | | | | |
| ZAF | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.80 | 0.73 | 0.84 | 25.34 | | | | | |
| NZL | 0.64 | 0.63 | 0.65 | 0.75 | 0.70 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.77 | 0.43 | | | | |
| LTU | 0.75 | 0.74 | 0.76 | 0.85 | 0.77 | 0.73 | 0.90 | 0.85 | 0.78 | 0.36 | | | |
| LVA | 0.78 | 0.72 | 0.79 | 0.86 | 0.76 | 0.72 | 0.94 | 0.86 | 0.81 | 0.91 | 435.86 | | |
| NLD | 0.83 | 0.80 | 0.85 | 0.84 | 0.84 | 0.70 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 0.69 | 0.81 | 0.82 | 4.94 | |
| CAM | 0.83 | 0.83 | 0.83 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.85 | 6.28 |

SIM scs

| | FRM | FRA | ITA | NLD | CHE | DEA | HUN | SVN | GBR | HRV | USA |
|-----|------|------|-------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|------|------|
| FRM | 1.06 | | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.89 | 1.09 | | | | | | | | | |
| ITA | 0.87 | 0.88 | 12.27 | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.91 | 0.94 | 0.84 | 4.01 | | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.86 | 0.93 | 10.38 | | | | | | |
| DEA | 0.92 | 0.96 | 0.84 | 0.92 | 0.89 | 12.25 | | | | | |
| HUN | 0.88 | 0.91 | 0.91 | 0.89 | 0.88 | 0.89 | 16.33 | | | | |
| SVN | 0.82 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.83 | 0.79 | 0.82 | 9.26 | | | |
| GBR | 0.91 | 0.96 | 0.87 | 0.95 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.89 | 0.84 | 10.78 | | |
| HRV | 0.86 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.78 | 9.71 | |
| USA | 0.83 | 0.90 | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.80 | 0.91 | 0.78 | 0.90 | 0.79 | 0.20 |

SIM mas

| | FRM | FRA | ITA | NLD | CHE | DEA | HUN | SVN | GBR | HRV | USA |
|-----|------|------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|
| FRM | 1.08 | | | | | | | | | | |
| FRA | 0.87 | 1.00 | | | | | | | | | |
| ITA | 0.90 | 0.82 | 12.24 | | | | | | | | |
| NLD | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.79 | 4.26 | | | | | | | |
| CHE | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.82 | 9.96 | | | | | | |
| DEA | 0.92 | 0.91 | 0.84 | 0.89 | 0.72 | 12.25 | | | | | |
| HUN | 0.86 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.83 | 0.86 | 16.33 | | | | |
| SVN | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.79 | 0.77 | 0.79 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 9.26 | | | |
| GBR | 0.71 | 0.88 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.88 | 0.75 | 0.81 | 0.75 | 2.56 | | |
| HRV | 0.83 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 0.70 | 0.76 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.78 | 0.74 | 9.71 | |
| USA | 0.82 | 0.89 | 0.70 | 0.84 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.74 | 0.69 | 0.80 | 0.72 | 0.20 |

^LAPPENDIX II. Number of common bulls

BSW

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  FRA  NLD  USA  CHE  DEA  NZL  ITA  GBR  SVN
-----
CAN   0   98   60  196  158  169   33  150   69   37
FRA  90   0   98  139  199  267   31  236   66   54
NLD  55   84   0   96  121  180   36  155   43   50
USA  194  102   87   0  338  355   38  248   97   44
CHE  135  156  110  316   0  671  38  529   79   85
DEA  151  216  169  324  564   0  54  762   82  114
NZL   33   24   29   34   30   49   0   47   23   13
ITA  133  198  129  178  473  660  39   0   83  106
GBR   68   56   36   94   61   56   20   62   0   20
SVN   33   52   49   34   80  103  12  100   15   0

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BSW

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  FRA  NLD  USA  CHE  DEA  NZL  ITA  GBR  SVN
-----
CAN   0   87   56   60   83  167   33  148   32   37
FRA  80   0   76   27   82  231   25  206   32   53
NLD  49   65   0   21   61  159   36  140   23   49
USA  61   26   19   0   32   52  15   45   19   12
CHE  76   66   57   28   0  275   20  235   20   69
DEA  151  180  147  46  241   0  54  761   41  113
NZL   33   21   29  14  17  49   0  47   12   13
ITA  132  170  114  36  208  660  39   0   44  106
GBR   31   28   19  18  17  29   9  34   0   14
SVN   33   50   48  11  65  103  12  100  12   0

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GUE

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  GBR  USA  AUS  NZL
-----
CAN   0   36   80   56   14
GBR  31   0   94   47   13
USA  72   96   0   76   29
AUS  54   40   74   0   26
NZL  11   11   29   26   0

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GUE

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  CHE  DEU  DFS  EST  FRA  GBR  NLD  USA  ISR  ITA  AUS  HUN  BEL  JPN  ESP  ZAF  NZL  IRL  CZE  SVK  POL  LTU  LVA  PRT  KOR  SVN  HRV  URY
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CAN   0  984 2765 1854 351 1741 1905 1945 4196 178 2033 1685 1122 950 1562 1520 506 874 601 1348 474 1900 300 580 1262 810 241 355 927
CHE  909   0 1256 826 204 803 782 1032 1111 72 796 702 457 675 531 627 257 460 415 573 250 801 146 277 567 304 149 224 364
DEU 2246 1191   0 3137 548 2791 2290 3914 3974 201 2819 1863 1323 1402 1591 1764 550 1106 880 2098 730 3223 553 836 1450 718 392 730 933
DFS 1685 779 2466   0 424 1967 1788 2611 2597 182 1802 1499 1002 1028 1149 1260 506 964 767 1506 451 2137 361 554 1135 575 292 494 771
EST 232 122 412 293 0 323 332 484 462 67 367 270 234 240 250 259 113 170 148 347 139 467 103 200 244 146 105 153 182
FRA 1313 749 1758 1259 177 0 1727 2359 2775 148 1740 1456 1041 1132 1349 1432 504 907 728 1442 480 2158 290 492 1147 617 233 395 698
GBR 2160 744 1805 1426 204 1208 0 2031 2545 177 1646 1582 932 978 1170 1206 508 1018 972 1212 403 1696 322 487 1082 563 226 387 807
NLD 1915 1031 3780 2385 356 1705 1826 0 3008 197 1978 1676 1065 1476 1254 1364 515 1226 918 1780 592 2459 367 592 1275 578 308 530 827
USA 4814 1044 3097 2175 341 1661 2371 2751 0 277 2916 2242 1429 1117 2212 1797 634 1250 838 1948 594 2865 403 781 1590 985 276 453 1362
ISR 126 42 154 136 38 93 129 153 269 0 174 140 124 100 139 126 66 135 113 161 58 200 56 88 125 76 52 78 111
ITA 1836 734 2153 1561 232 1175 1375 1796 2471 123 0 1243 1044 886 1239 1419 403 698 554 1400 410 2187 339 593 1134 659 294 443 755
AUS 1723 624 1446 1129 142 1048 1396 1485 2319 89 1003 0 802 849 1024 1012 482 1334 739 971 335 1303 265 439 944 519 184 338 794
HUN 1067 383 1079 836 141 780 818 923 1418 86 925 613 0 602 797 861 396 549 431 1017 335 1102 250 395 833 511 165 300 572
BEL 953 693 1455 976 153 1172 965 1703 1010 63 900 751 524 0 626 781 339 578 515 760 321 989 188 320 768 353 181 310 408
JPN 901 372 790 688 98 567 647 740 1134 68 689 606 469 425 0 1023 429 634 440 974 340 1204 231 415 833 636 180 270 673

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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  DFS  GBR  NLD  USA  AUS  ZAF  NZL  CHE  ITA
-----
CAN   0   57   93   22  104  143   76  102   28   20
DFS  53   0  136  155   77  147  143  161   60   30
GBR  92  131   0   81  101  186  140  191   68   37
NLD  16  152   77   0   47   82   80   99   40   24
USA  97   68  102  45   0  186  130  145   43   22
AUS 132  114  190  75  198   0  242  480   59   35
ZAF  69  123  142  77  141  236   0  211   55   34
NZL  94  135  194  95  147  533  221   0   56   30
CHE  26   57   65  35  37   52  50  50   0   24
ITA  15   28   34  20  21   29  29  28   24   0
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RDC
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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  DFS  GBR  NOR  USA  DEU  AUS  EST  ZAF  NZL  LTU  LVA  NLD  CAM
-----
CAN   0  201   98   8  228  14  108   3   70  97  22  10   8   0
DFS 208   0  134  149  228  71  223  145  51  200 103 134  69   0
GBR  98  128   0   82  136  16  106  15  40  100  26  16  50   0
NOR   7  124  86   0   88  17   81  32   0  55  19  22  55   0
USA 215  225  131  89   0  28  153  28  59  140  37  27  52  32
DEU  13   62  16  16  26   0   50  35   1  23  28  37  21   0
AUS 109  195  101  70  156  49   0  48  34  172  44  41  50  13
EST   2  133  13  32  27  34  43   0   0  22  22  55  26   0
ZAF  72   48  35   0   53   1  34   0   0  35   5   2   3   0
NZL  95  196  95  55  141  23  172  20  30   0  22  20  31  13
LTU  21   89  24  18  33  27  41  22   5  22   0  44  15   0
LVA  10   93  16  20  24  31  37  47   2  17  40   0  19   0
NLD   8   67  49  54  51  20  48  25   3  30  14  18   0   0
CAM   0   0   0   0  32   0  13   0   0  13   0   0   0   0
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RDC
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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  CAN  DFS  GBR  NOR  USA  AUS  EST  ZAF  NZL  LTU  LVA  NLD  CAM
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CAN   0   90   33   3  86  35   0  35  40  18   7   3   0
DFS  90   0   93  150  220  234  145  46  197 102 126  68   0
GBR  32   90   0   69  95  67   9  27  67  20  14  38   0
NOR   3  124  73   0   88  80  32   0  55  19  19  51   0
USA  85  217  94  89   0  141  28  54  137  37  25  49  32
AUS  35  210  66  69  145   0  46  31  163  41  38  46  12
EST   0  133   9  32  27  42   0   0  22  22  49  25   0
ZAF  36   46  26   0  52  33   0   0  33   5   2   2   0
NZL  40  191  67  55  141  164  20  30   0  22  18  29  13
LTU  17  88  18  18  33  39  22   5  22   0  44  14   0
LVA   7   84  14  17  22  35  41   2  15  40   0  14   0
NLD   3   66  38  50  49  44  24   2  28  13  13   0   0
CAM   0   0   0   0  32  12   0   0  13   0   0   0   0
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SIM
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common bulls below diagonal
common three quarter sib group above diagonal
  FRM  FRA  ITA  NLD  CHE  DEA  HUN  SVN  GBR  HRV  USA
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FRM   0   2  193  137  251  277   2  11  67   2  96
FRA   1   0  151  86  15  270   4  59   0  110  3
ITA  218  136   0  278  105 1069  19 167  46  345  39
NLD  162  82  273   0  94  420   9  91  49  177  32
CHE  303  12  107  98   0  375   2   2  53   2  34
DEA  315  227  979  440  342   0  39  287  49  739  41
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|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|-----|----|
| HUN | 0 | 3 | 15 | 9 | 1 | 24 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 1 |
| SVN | 10 | 55 | 155 | 84 | 2 | 270 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 135 | 2 |
| GBR | 84 | 0 | 50 | 49 | 60 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 20 |
| HRV | 1 | 99 | 327 | 171 | 2 | 774 | 17 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| USA | 111 | 3 | 46 | 33 | 33 | 43 | 1 | 2 | 27 | 5 | 0 |

SIM

common bulls below diagonal

common three quarter sib group above diagonal

| | FRM | FRA | ITA | NLD | CHE | DEA | HUN | SVN | GBR | HRV | USA |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| FRM | 0 | 2 | 158 | 105 | 5 | 228 | 2 | 11 | 25 | 2 | 37 |
| FRA | 1 | 0 | 83 | 31 | 2 | 161 | 3 | 25 | 0 | 58 | 1 |
| ITA | 183 | 71 | 0 | 266 | 11 | 1069 | 19 | 167 | 18 | 345 | 39 |
| NLD | 128 | 30 | 261 | 0 | 9 | 392 | 8 | 87 | 18 | 168 | 32 |
| CHE | 5 | 2 | 11 | 9 | 0 | 106 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 5 |
| DEA | 276 | 124 | 979 | 410 | 99 | 0 | 39 | 287 | 20 | 739 | 41 |
| HUN | 0 | 2 | 15 | 8 | 0 | 24 | 0 | 10 | 0 | 20 | 1 |
| SVN | 10 | 22 | 155 | 80 | 0 | 270 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 135 | 2 |
| GBR | 34 | 0 | 23 | 20 | 1 | 25 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| HRV | 1 | 51 | 327 | 163 | 0 | 774 | 17 | 125 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| USA | 52 | 1 | 46 | 33 | 5 | 43 | 1 | 2 | 23 | 5 | 0 |
