

Rugby World Cup (RWC)

| | | Champions | Final | Runners-up | Third place |
|-----------------------|------------------|------------|----------|------------|-------------|
| 1987, May 22 - Jun 20 | Auckland NZL | NZL | 29:9 | FRA | WAL |
| 1991, Oct 03 - Nov 02 | London ENG | AUS | 12:6 | ENG | NZL |
| 1995, May 25 - Jun 24 | Johannesburg RSA | RSA | 15:12aet | NZL | FRA |
| 1999, Oct 01 - Nov 06 | Cardiff WAL | AUS | 35:12 | FRA | RSA |
| 2003, Oct 10 - Nov 22 | Sydney AUS | ENG | 20:17aet | AUS | NZL |
| 2007, Sep 07 - Oct 20 | Saint-Denis FRA | RSA | 15:6 | ENG | ARG |
| 2011, Sep 09 - Oct 23 | Auckland NZL | NZL | 8:7 | FRA | AUS |
| 2015, Sep 18 - Oct 31 | London ENG | NZL | 34:17 | AUS | RSA |
| 2019, Sep 20 - Nov 02 | Yokohama JPN | RSA | 32:12 | ENG | NZL |
| 2023, Sep 08 - Oct 28 | Paris FRA | RSA | 12:11 | NZL | ENG |

Women's Rugby World Cup (WRWC)

The **1998 Women's Rugby World Cup** was the first world cup fully sanctioned by the IRB.

| | | Champions | Final | Runners-up | Third place |
|------------------------------------|---------------|------------|-------|------------|-------------------------|
| 1991, Apr 06 - 14 | Cardiff WAL | USA | 19:6 | ENG | FRA NZL ¹ |
| 1994, Apr 11 - 24 | Edinburgh SCO | ENG | 38:23 | USA | FRA |
| 1998, May 01 - 16 | Amsterdam NED | NZL | 44:12 | USA | ENG |
| 2002, May 13 - 25 | Barcelona ESP | NZL | 19:9 | ENG | FRA |
| 2006, Aug 31 - Sep 17 | Edmonton CAN | NZL | 25:17 | ENG | FRA |
| 2010, Aug 20 - Sep 05 | London ENG | NZL | 13:10 | ENG | AUS |
| 2014, Aug 01 - 17 | Paris FRA | ENG | 21:9 | CAN | FRA |
| 2017, Aug 09 - 26 | Belfast IRL | NZL | 41:32 | ENG | FRA |
| 2022, Oct 08 - Nov 12 ² | Auckland NZL | NZL | 34:31 | ENG | FRA |

WXV

The competition consists of three tiers, respectively named WXV 1, WXV 2, and WXV 3. Each tier consists of six teams divided into two pools and is run in a split pool format, where teams only face teams from the other pool.

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| 2023, Oct 20 - Nov 23 | Auckland, Dunedin, Wellington NZL | ENG | CAN | AUS |
| 2024, Sep 29 - Oct 13 | | | | |

World Rugby Under 20 Championship

The IRB decided to fold its under-19 and under-21 world Championships into a two-tiered under-20 tournament structure starting in 2008. The top tier, the **World Rugby Under 20 Championship**, feature up to 16 teams, while eight teams compete in the second-tier **World Rugby Under 20 Trophy** (2008 - 2014 IRB Junior World Trophy [JWRT]).

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| IRB Junior World Championship (JWC) | | | | | |
| 2008, Jun 06 - 22 | Swansea WAL | NZL | 38:3 | ENG | RSA |
| 2009, Jun 05 - 21 | Tokyo JPN | NZL | 44:28 | ENG | RSA |
| 2010, Jun 05 - 21 | Rosario ARG | NZL | 62:17 | AUS | RSA |
| 2011, Jun 10 - 26 | Padova ITA | NZL | 33:22 | ENG | AUS |
| 2012, Jun 04 - 22 | Newlands RSA | RSA | 22:16 | NZL | WAL |
| 2013, Jun 05 - 23 | Vannes FRA | ENG | 23:15 | WAL | RSA |
| 2014, Jun 02 - 20 | Auckland NZL | ENG | 21:20 | RSA | NZL |
| World Rugby Under 20 Championship | | | | | |
| 2015, Jun 02 - 20 | Cremona ITA | NZL | 21:16 | ENG | RSA |
| 2016, Jun 07 - 25 | Salford ENG | ENG | 45:21 | IRL | ARG |
| 2017, May 31 - Jun 18 | Tbilisi GEO | NZL | 64:17 | ENG | RSA |
| 2018, May 30 - Jun 17 | Béziers FRA | FRA | 33:25 | ENG | RSA |
| 2019, Jun 04 - 22 | Rosario ARG | FRA | 24:23 | AUS | RSA |
| 2020, Jun 28 - Jul 18 | ITA | <i>cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic on 20.03.</i> | | | |
| 2021 - 2022 | <i>not held due to the COVID-19 pandemic</i> | | | | |
| 2023, Jun 24 - Jul 14 | Athlone RSA | FRA | 50:14 | IRL | RSA |
| 2024, Jun 29 - Jul 19 | Cape Town RSA | ENG | 21:13 | FRA | NZL |

¹ Officially, third place was shared between FRA and NZL. However, a match between a French and a New Zealand XV did take place on April 14, France winning 3:0. It is clear from records held by the RFU Rugby Museum that game was not scheduled as part of the tournament and is not included in any official tournament records after the event.

² Originally planned on 2021, Sep 18 - Oct 16 but postponed by World rugby on 2021, Mar 02 due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Under 19 World Championship (defunct)

Originally a FIRA competition (and thus also limited to their members) it was transformed to a joint **IRB/FIRA-AER Under 19 World Championship** in 1992, eventually becoming the **IRB Under 19 World Cup** in 2004.

In 1995, the teams were placed into A- to D-tier divisions with promotion and relegation between them. In 1999, reduced to two divisions A and B. The Junior World Championship replaced it.

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| Junior World Rugby Championship (U20) | | | | | |
| 1969, Apr 02 - 06 | Barcelona ESP | FRA | 31:0 | MAR | ROU |
| 1970, Mar 25 - 29 | Vichy FRA | FRA | 26:6 | ESP | ITA |
| 1971, Apr 07 - 11 | Casablanca MAR | FRA | 27:0 | ITA | ROU |
| 1972, Mar 29 - Apr 02 | Roma ITA | ROU | 17:11 | ESP | FRA |
| 1973, Apr 18 - 22 | București ROU | ROU | 16:11 | FRA | ESP |
| 1974, Apr 11 - 15 | Heidelberg FRG | FRA | 29:6 | ROU | ESP |
| 1975, Mar 26 - 30 | Madrid ESP | FRA | 37:3 | ROU | ESP |
| 1976, Apr 18 - 25 | Albi FRA | FRA | 20:12 | ROU | ESP |
| 1977, Apr 06 - 10 | Hilversum NED | FRA | 32:3 | ITA | POR |
| 1978, Mar 22 - 26 | Salsomaggiore Terme ITA | FRA | 33:0 | ITA | URS |
| 1979, Apr 11 - 15 | Lisboa POR | FRA | 21:4 | URS | ITA |
| 1980, Apr 02 - 06 | Tunis TUN | FRA | 14:0 | ITA | ESP |
| 1981, Apr 15 - 19 | Madrid ESP | FRA | 48:0 | ESP | ITA |
| 1982, Apr 06 - 12 | Genève SUI | FRA | 33:0 | ITA | ESP |
| 1983, Mar 29 - Apr 03 | Casablanca MAR | FRA | 15:3 | ITA | ESP |
| 1984, Apr 18 - 22 | Warszawa POL | ITA | --- | FRA | ESP |
| 1985, Apr 01 - 07 | Bruxelles BEL | FRA | 8:4 | ITA | ROU |
| 1986, Mar 24 - 30 | București ROU | FRA | 34:3 | ITA | ROU |
| 1987, Apr 13 - 19 | Berlin FRG | ARG | 15:14 | FRA | URS |
| 1988, Mar 28 - Apr 03 | Makarska YUG | FRA | 34:19 | URS | ITA |
| 1989, Mar 20 - 26 | Lisboa POR | ARG | 42:12 | URS | FRA |
| 1990, Apr 09 - 15 | Treviso ITA | ARG | 19:17 | FRA | ITA |
| 1991, Mar 24 - 31 | Toulouse FRA | ARG | 10:7 | FRA | ITA |
| IRB/FIRA Under 20 World Championship | | | | | |
| 1992, Apr 12 - 19 | Madrid ESP | FRA | 22:18 | ARG | ITA |
| 1993, Apr 07 - 11 | Lille FRA | ARG | 31:29 | FRA | ITA |
| 1994, Mar 29 - Apr 03 | Lyon FRA | RSA | 41:18 | ITA | FRA |
| 1995, Apr 10 - 16 | București ROU | FRA | 27:12 | ARG | RSA |
| 1996, Mar 30 - Apr 07 | Calvisano ITA | ARG | 34:7 | WAL | ROU |
| 1997, Mar 22 - 30 | Buenos Aires ARG | ARG | 18:12 | FRA | WAL |
| 1998, Apr 04 - 12 | Toulouse FRA | IRL | 18:0 | FRA | ARG |
| 1999, Mar 26 - Apr 04 | Newport WAL | NZL | 25:0 | WAL | RSA |
| IRB/UER Under 20 World Championship | | | | | |
| 2000, Apr 13 - 23 | Dijon FRA | FRA | 14:0 | AUS | NZL |
| IRB/FIRA - AER Under 20 World Championship | | | | | |
| 2001, Apr 05 - 16 | Santiago CHI | NZL | 36:23 | FRA | AUS |
| IRB/FIRA - AER Under 19 World Championship | | | | | |
| 2002, Mar 21 - 30 | Treviso ITA | NZL | 71:18 | FRA | RSA |
| 2003, Apr 09 - 20 | Bondoufle FRA | RSA | 22:18 | NZL | FRA |
| IRB Under 19 World Cup | | | | | |
| 2004, Mar 27 - Apr 12 | Durban RSA | NZL | 34:11 | FRA | RSA |
| 2005, Apr 01 - 17 | Durban RSA | RSA | 20:15 | NZL | AUS |
| 2006, Apr 05 - 21 | Dubai UAE | AUS | 17:13 | NZL | ENG |
| 2007, Apr 04 - 21 | Belfast IRL | NZL | 31:7 | RSA | AUS |

Under 21 World Championship (defunct)

| | | Champions | Final | Runners-up | Third place |
|-------------------|----------------------|-----------|-------|------------|-------------|
| 2002, Jun 12 - 28 | Johannesburg RSA | RSA | 24:21 | AUS | NZL |
| 2003, Jun 13 - 29 | Oxford ENG | NZL | 21:10 | AUS | ARG |
| 2004, Jun 11 - 27 | Glasgow SCO | NZL | 47:19 | IRL | RSA |
| 2005, Jun 09 - 25 | Mendoza ARG | RSA | 20:15 | AUS | NZL |
| 2006, Jun 09 - 25 | Clermont-Ferrand FRA | FRA | 24:13 | RSA | NZL |

Rugby Union at the Olympic Games (Men) (defunct)

| | Venue | Gold | Final | Silver | Bronze |
|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-------|--|-----------------------|
| 1900, Oct 14 + 28 | Paris FRA | USFSA FRA | --- | Moseley Wanderers RFC GBR SC 1880 Frankfurt GER | --- |
| <i>1904 - 1906</i> | <i>not in program</i> | | | | |
| 1908, Oct 26 | London GBR | ANZ ³ | 32:3 | Cornwall GBR | <i>only two teams</i> |
| <i>1912</i> | <i>not in program</i> | | | | |
| 1920, Sep 05 | Antwerpen BEL | USA | 8:0 | FRA | <i>only two teams</i> |
| 1924, May 04 - 15 | Paris FRA | USA | --- | FRA | ROU |

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³ ANZ = Australasia (combined team of Australia and New Zealand at the 1908 Olympics), the rugby team was represented by Australia alone