

# FIFA World Cup (1930-2022)

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[1]: import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
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[5]: df['Date'] = pd.to_datetime(df['Date'])
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[7]: df['home_captain'] = df['home_captain'].fillna('Unknown')
df['away_captain'] = df['away_captain'].fillna('Unknown')
df['Officials'] = df['Officials'].fillna('Unknown')
df['Referee'] = df['Referee'].fillna('Unknown')
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[9]: df['Attendance'] = df['Attendance'].astype(int)
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[11]: df = pd.read_csv('../data/matches_1930_2022.csv')
print(df.head())
print(df.info())
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	home_team	away_team	home_score	home_xg	home_penalty	away_score	\
0	Argentina	France	3	3.3	4.0	3	
1	Croatia	Morocco	2	0.7	NaN	1	
2	France	Morocco	2	2.0	NaN	0	
3	Argentina	Croatia	3	2.3	NaN	0	
4	Morocco	Portugal	1	1.4	NaN	0	

	away_xg	away_penalty	home_manager	home_captain	...	\
0	2.2	2.0	Lionel Scaloni	Lionel Messi	...	
1	1.2	NaN	Zlatko Dalić	Luka Modrić	...	
2	0.9	NaN	Didier Deschamps	Hugo Lloris	...	
3	0.5	NaN	Lionel Scaloni	Lionel Messi	...	
4	0.9	NaN	Hoalid Regragui	Romain Saïss	...	

	home_penalty_shootout_miss_long	\
0	NaN	
1	NaN	
2	NaN	
3	NaN	
4	NaN	

	away_penalty_shootout_miss_long	home_red_card	\
0	['3 1:1 Kingsley Coman', '5 2:1 Aurélien Tchou...	NaN	
1		NaN	NaN
2		NaN	NaN
3		NaN	NaN
4		NaN	NaN

	away_red_card	home_yellow_red_card	away_yellow_red_card	\
0	NaN	NaN	NaN	
1	NaN	NaN	NaN	
2	NaN	NaN	NaN	
3	NaN	NaN	NaN	
4	NaN	Walid Cheddira	90+3	NaN

	home_yellow_card_long	\
0	['45+7&rsquor; 2:0 Enzo Fernández', '90+8&rsqu...	
1		NaN
2		NaN
3	['68&rsquor; 2:0 Cristian Romero', '71&rsquor;...	
4	['70&rsquor; 1:0 Achraf Dari', '90+1&rsquor; 1...	

	away_yellow_card_long	\
0	['55&rsquor; 2:0 Adrien Rabiot', '87&rsquor; 2...	
1	['69&rsquor; 2:1 Azzedine Ounahi', '84&rsquor;...	
2	['27&rsquor; 1:0 Sofiane Boufal']	
3	['32&rsquor; 0:0 Mateo Kovačić', '32&rsquor; 0...	
4	['87&rsquor; 1:0 Vitinha']	

	home_substitute_in_long	\
0	['64&rsquor; 2:0 Marcos Acuña for Ángel Di Mar...	
1	['61&rsquor; 2:1 Nikola Vlašić for Andrej Kram...	
2	['65&rsquor; 1:0 Marcus Thuram for Olivier Gir...	
3	['62&rsquor; 2:0 Lisandro Martínez for Leandro...	
4	['57&rsquor; 1:0 Achraf Dari for Romain Saïss'...	

	away_substitute_in_long
0	['41&rsquor; 2:0 Randal Kolo Muani for Ousmane...
1	['46&rsquor; 2:1 Ilias Chair for Abdelhamid Sa...
2	['21&rsquor; 1:0 Selim Amallah for Romain Saïs...
3	['46&rsquor; 2:0 Mislav Oršić for Borna Sosa',...
4	['51&rsquor; 1:0 João Cancelo for Raphaël Guer...

[5 rows x 44 columns]

<class 'pandas.core.frame.DataFrame'>

RangeIndex: 964 entries, 0 to 963

Data columns (total 44 columns):

#	Column	Non-Null Count	Dtype
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0	home_team	964 non-null	object
1	away_team	964 non-null	object
2	home_score	964 non-null	int64
3	home_xg	128 non-null	float64
4	home_penalty	35 non-null	float64
5	away_score	964 non-null	int64
6	away_xg	128 non-null	float64
7	away_penalty	35 non-null	float64
8	home_manager	964 non-null	object
9	home_captain	644 non-null	object
10	away_manager	964 non-null	object
11	away_captain	644 non-null	object
12	Attendance	964 non-null	int64
13	Venue	964 non-null	object
14	Officials	709 non-null	object
15	Round	964 non-null	object
16	Date	964 non-null	object
17	Score	964 non-null	object
18	Referee	709 non-null	object
19	Notes	73 non-null	object
20	Host	964 non-null	object
21	Year	964 non-null	int64
22	home_goal	718 non-null	object
23	away_goal	571 non-null	object
24	home_goal_long	718 non-null	object
25	away_goal_long	571 non-null	object
26	home_own_goal	39 non-null	object
27	away_own_goal	17 non-null	object
28	home_penalty_goal	116 non-null	object
29	away_penalty_goal	84 non-null	object
30	home_penalty_miss_long	6 non-null	object
31	away_penalty_miss_long	9 non-null	object
32	home_penalty_shootout_goal_long	34 non-null	object
33	away_penalty_shootout_goal_long	34 non-null	object
34	home_penalty_shootout_miss_long	24 non-null	object
35	away_penalty_shootout_miss_long	30 non-null	object
36	home_red_card	51 non-null	object
37	away_red_card	54 non-null	object
38	home_yellow_red_card	23 non-null	object
39	away_yellow_red_card	31 non-null	object
40	home_yellow_card_long	621 non-null	object
41	away_yellow_card_long	627 non-null	object
42	home_substitute_in_long	740 non-null	object
43	away_substitute_in_long	747 non-null	object

dtypes: float64(4), int64(4), object(36)

memory usage: 331.5+ KB

None

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[86]: continent_mapping = {
    # Europe
    'France': 'Europe', 'Germany': 'Europe', 'England': 'Europe', 'Spain': 'Europe',
    'Italy': 'Europe', 'Croatia': 'Europe', 'Belgium': 'Europe',

    # South America
    'Argentina': 'South America', 'Brazil': 'South America', 'Uruguay': 'South America',
    'Chile': 'South America', 'Colombia': 'South America',

    # Asia
    'Japan': 'Asia', 'South Korea': 'Asia', 'Saudi Arabia': 'Asia', 'Iran': 'Asia',
    'Australia': 'Asia',

    # Africa
    'Nigeria': 'Africa', 'Morocco': 'Africa', 'Egypt': 'Africa', 'Cameroon': 'Africa',
    'Senegal': 'Africa',

    # North America
    'Mexico': 'North America', 'USA': 'North America', 'Canada': 'North America',

    # Add more as needed
}

df['home_continent'] = df['home_team'].map(continent_mapping).fillna('Other')
df['away_continent'] = df['away_team'].map(continent_mapping).fillna('Other')
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[17]: # The teams with the most wins throughout history are identified
df['winner'] = df.apply(lambda x: x['home_team'] if x['home_score'] > x['away_score']
                        else (x['away_team'] if x['away_score'] > x['home_score'] else 'Draw'), axis=1)
winners = df[df['winner'] != 'Draw']['winner'].value_counts()
print(winners.head(15))
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winner	
Brazil	76
Argentina	47
Italy	45
France	39
Germany	37
England	32
Spain	31
West Germany	31

Netherlands	30
Uruguay	25
Belgium	21
Sweden	19
Poland	17
Portugal	17
Mexico	17

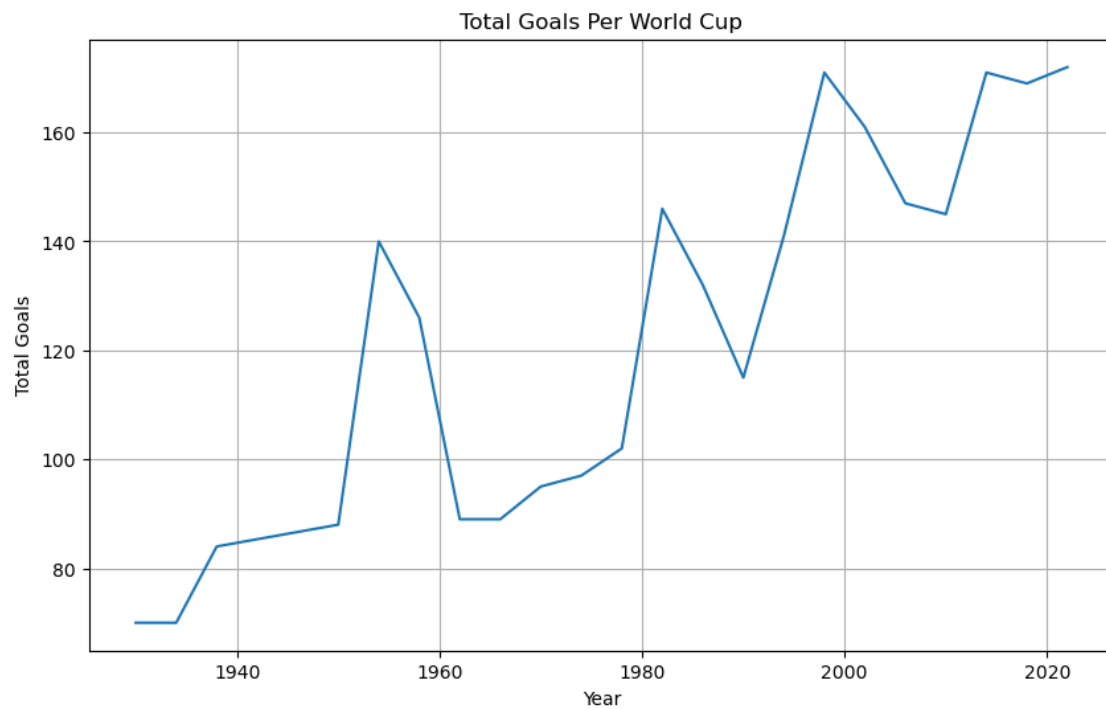
Name: count, dtype: int64

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[19]: # The total number of goals for each team is calculated
goals_home = df.groupby('home_team')['home_score'].sum()
goals_away = df.groupby('away_team')['away_score'].sum()
total_goals = (goals_home + goals_away).sort_values(ascending=False)
print(total_goals.head(15))
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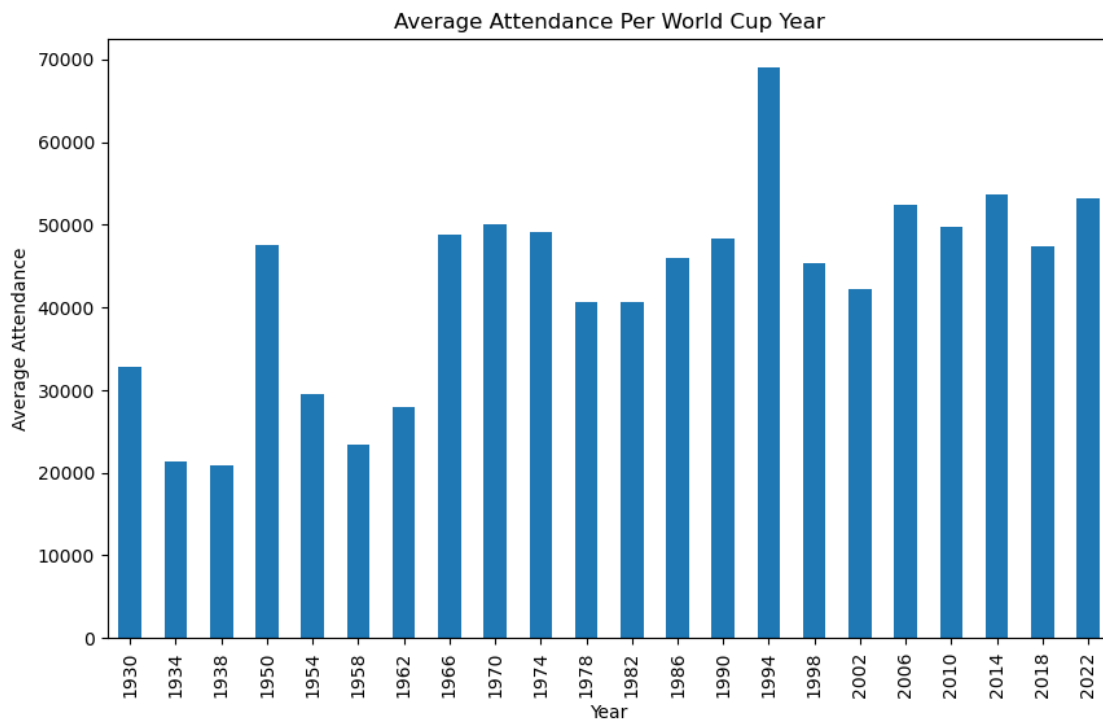
Brazil	237.0
Argentina	152.0
France	136.0
Italy	128.0
Germany	126.0
Spain	108.0
West Germany	106.0
England	104.0
Netherlands	96.0
Uruguay	89.0
Hungary	87.0
Sweden	80.0
Belgium	69.0
Mexico	62.0
Portugal	61.0

dtype: float64

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[21]: # The total number of goals in each World Cup is calculated
df.groupby('Year')[['home_score', 'away_score']].sum().sum(axis=1).
    →plot(kind='line', figsize=(10,6))
plt.title('Total Goals Per World Cup')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Total Goals')
plt.grid(True)
plt.show()
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[23]: # The evolution of average attendance is analyzed
df.groupby('Year')['Attendance'].mean().plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10,6))
plt.title('Average Attendance Per World Cup Year')
plt.ylabel('Average Attendance')
plt.show()
```



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[25]: # The number of matches in which red cards were given is calculated
num_red_card_matches = df[(df['home_red_card'].notnull()) | (df['away_red_card'].
    ↳ notnull())].shape[0]
print(f"Number of matches with red cards: {num_red_card_matches}")
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Number of matches with red cards: 95

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[116]: # The teams with the most red cards are identified by counting occurrences for
    ↳ each team
red_cards = pd.concat([df[['home_team', 'home_red_card']].
    ↳ rename(columns={'home_team': 'team', 'home_red_card': 'red_card'}),
    df[['away_team', 'away_red_card']].
    ↳ rename(columns={'away_team': 'team', 'away_red_card': 'red_card'})])
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red_cards_count = red_cards.dropna().groupby('team').size().
↳sort_values(ascending=False).head(10)
print(red_cards_count)

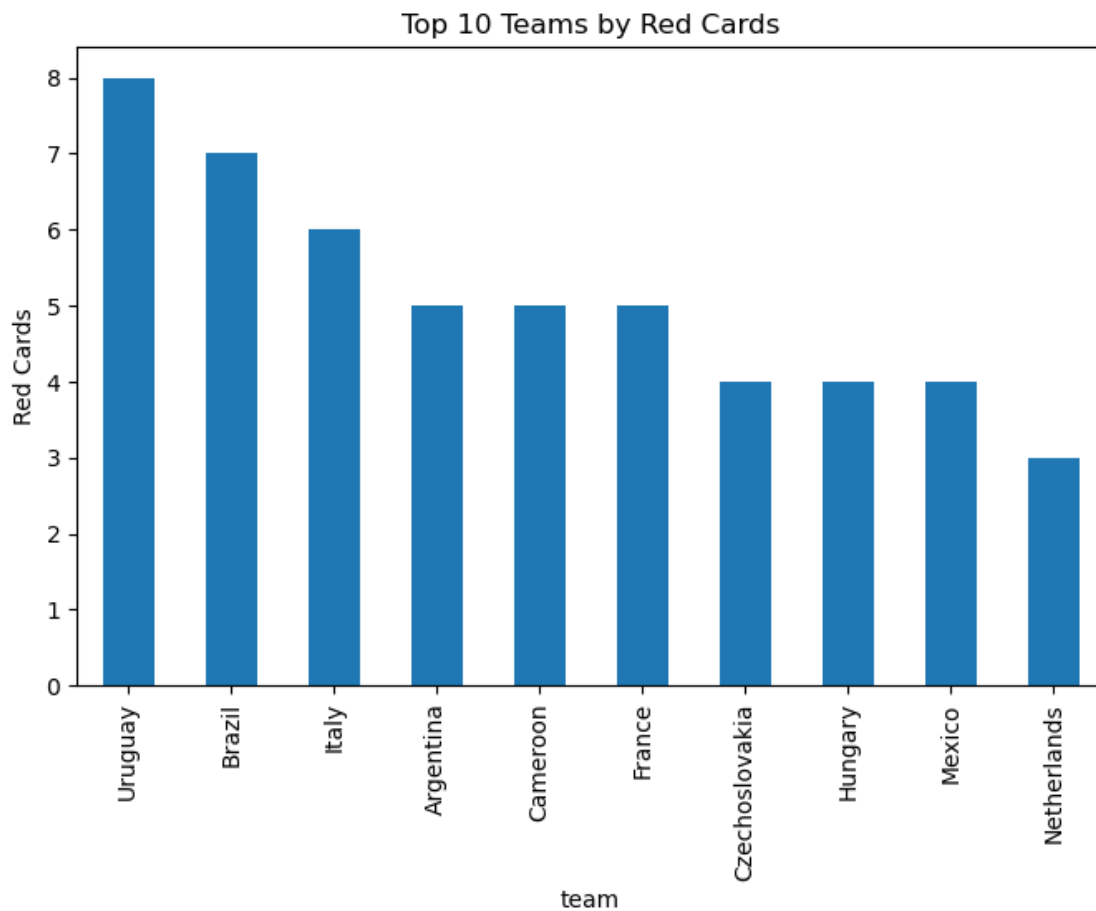
red_cards_count.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(8,5), title='Top 10 Teams by Red_
↳Cards')
plt.ylabel('Red Cards')
plt.show()

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team
Uruguay      8
Brazil       7
Italy        6
Argentina    5
Cameroon     5
France       5
Czechoslovakia 4
Hungary      4
Mexico       4
Netherlands  3
dtype: int64

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[49]: # The number of matches that included yellow cards is calculated
yellow_matches = df[(df['home_yellow_card_long'].notnull()) |
↳ (df['away_yellow_card_long'].notnull())]
print(f"Number of matches with yellow cards: {yellow_matches.shape[0]}")
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Number of matches with yellow cards: 725

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[118]: # The number of matches decided by penalty shootouts is calculated
penalty_shootouts = df[df['home_penalty_shootout_goal_long'].notnull()]
print(f"Number of penalty shootout matches: {penalty_shootouts.shape[0]}")
```

Number of penalty shootout matches: 34

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[31]: # The teams with the most appearances in the final are identified
finals = df[df['Round'].str.contains('Final', case=False, na=False)]
final_teams = pd.concat([finals['home_team'], finals['away_team']])
print(final_teams.value_counts().head(20))
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Brazil	32
Italy	21
Argentina	19
France	19
West Germany	17
Germany	17
England	14
Uruguay	13
Sweden	12
Netherlands	11
Spain	11
Hungary	9
Czechoslovakia	9
Croatia	7
Yugoslavia	6
Portugal	5
Belgium	5
Soviet Union	5
Austria	4
Switzerland	3

Name: count, dtype: int64

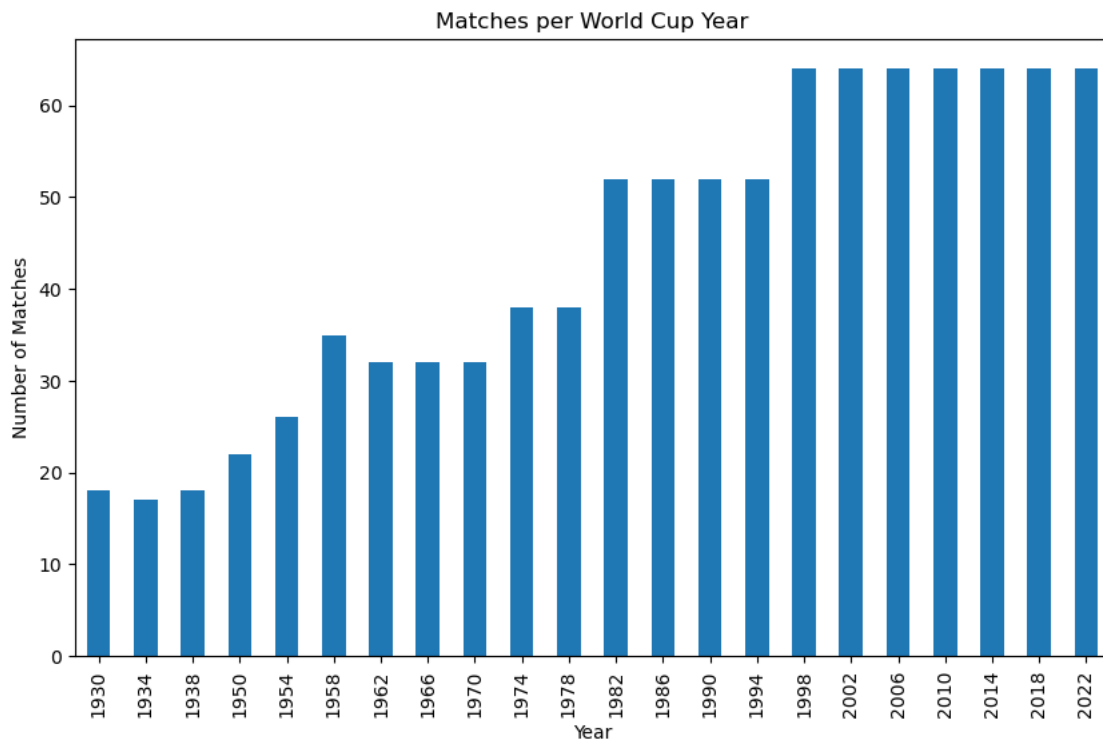
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[35]: # The average number of goals per match for each team is calculated to identify  
      ↪ the teams that score the most per match
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goals = df.groupby('home_team')['home_score'].mean().add(  
         df.groupby('away_team')['away_score'].mean(), fill_value=0)  
print(goals.sort_values(ascending=False).head(20))
```

Türkiye	6.250000
Hungary	5.055556
Germany	4.462500
Brazil	3.878702
Russia	3.791667
France	3.684962
West Germany	3.637427
Czechoslovakia	3.550000
Netherlands	3.500000
Bosnia and Herzegovina	3.500000
Yugoslavia	3.386029
Spain	3.218360
Soviet Union	3.158120
Portugal	3.142857
Argentina	3.119813
Austria	3.117647
Sweden	3.023810
Côte d'Ivoire	3.000000
Czech Republic	3.000000
Romania	2.916667

dtype: float64

```
[39]: # The number of matches played in each World Cup edition is analyzed
matches_per_year = df['Year'].value_counts().sort_index()
matches_per_year.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10,6), title='Matches per World Cup_
↪Year')
plt.xlabel('Year')
plt.ylabel('Number of Matches')
plt.show()
```



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[45]: # The total points (3 for a win, 1 for a draw) for the host country are_
↪calculated across the 22 World Cup editions
df['points_home'] = df.apply(lambda x: 3 if x['home_score'] > x['away_score']
↪else (1 if x['home_score'] == x['away_score'] else_
↪0), axis=1)
host_points = df.groupby('Host')['points_home'].sum().
↪sort_values(ascending=False)
print(host_points.head(22))
```

Host	
Germany	166
Mexico	163
Brazil	157
France	151
Italy	142

Qatar	102
Korea Republic, Japan	97
Argentina	96
Spain	95
Russia	91
United States	89
England	86
Chile	86
South Africa	85
Sweden	82
Switzerland	68
Uruguay	54

Name: points\_home, dtype: int64

```
[61]: # The countries that have been awarded the most penalties are identified
penalties = df.groupby('home_team')['home_penalty'].sum().add(
    df.groupby('away_team')['away_penalty'].sum(), fill_value=0).
    ↪sort_values(ascending=False)
print(penalties.head(20))
```

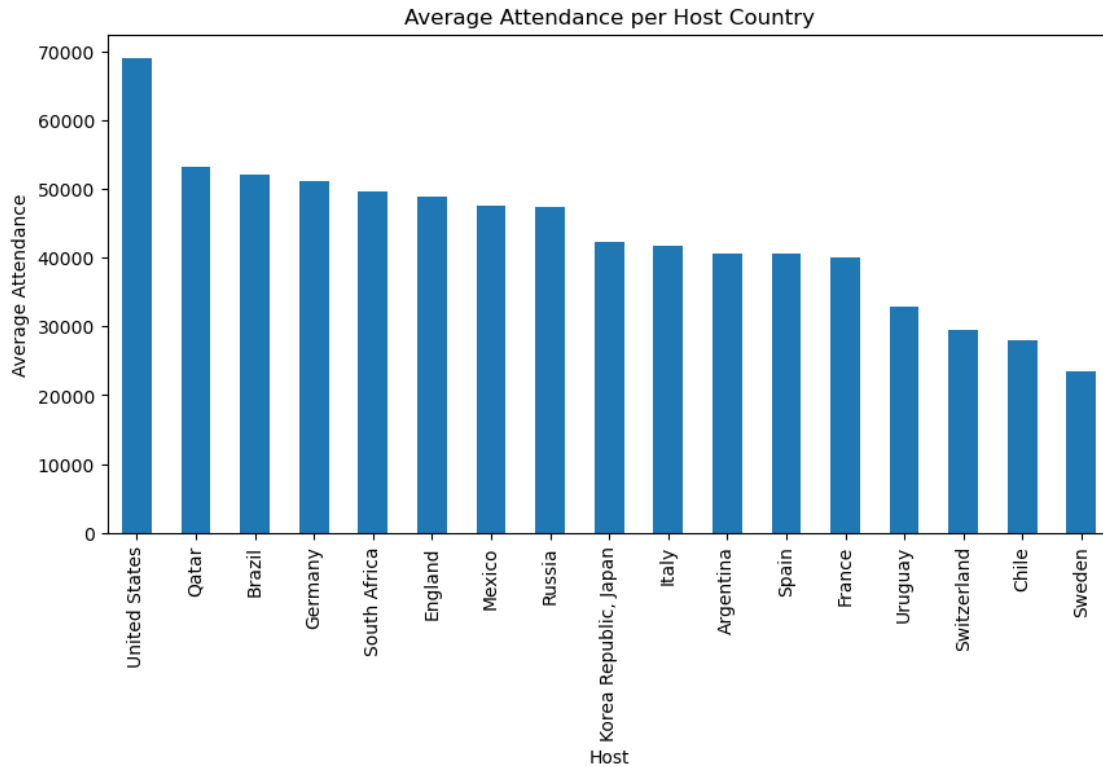
Argentina	25.0
France	17.0
Brazil	15.0
Croatia	14.0
West Germany	13.0
Italy	13.0
Spain	13.0
England	11.0
Netherlands	11.0
Costa Rica	8.0
Romania	8.0
Republic of Ireland	7.0
Russia	7.0
Korea Republic	5.0
Sweden	5.0
Paraguay	5.0
Belgium	5.0
Uruguay	4.0
Japan	4.0
Germany	4.0

dtype: float64

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[63]: # The average attendance per match by host country is calculated
attendance_by_host = df.groupby('Host')['Attendance'].mean().
↳sort_values(ascending=False)
print(attendance_by_host)
```

```
Host
United States      68991.115385
Qatar              53191.437500
Brazil            52036.267442
Germany           51160.372549
South Africa      49669.625000
England           48847.968750
Mexico            47595.309524
Russia            47371.375000
Korea Republic, Japan 42270.890625
Italy             41727.753623
Argentina         40678.710526
Spain            40571.596154
France           39989.963415
Uruguay          32808.277778
Switzerland       29561.807692
Chile             27911.625000
Sweden           23423.142857
Name: Attendance, dtype: float64
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[59]: attendance_by_host.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10, 5), title='Average Attendance_
      ↳per Host Country')
plt.ylabel('Average Attendance')
plt.show()
```



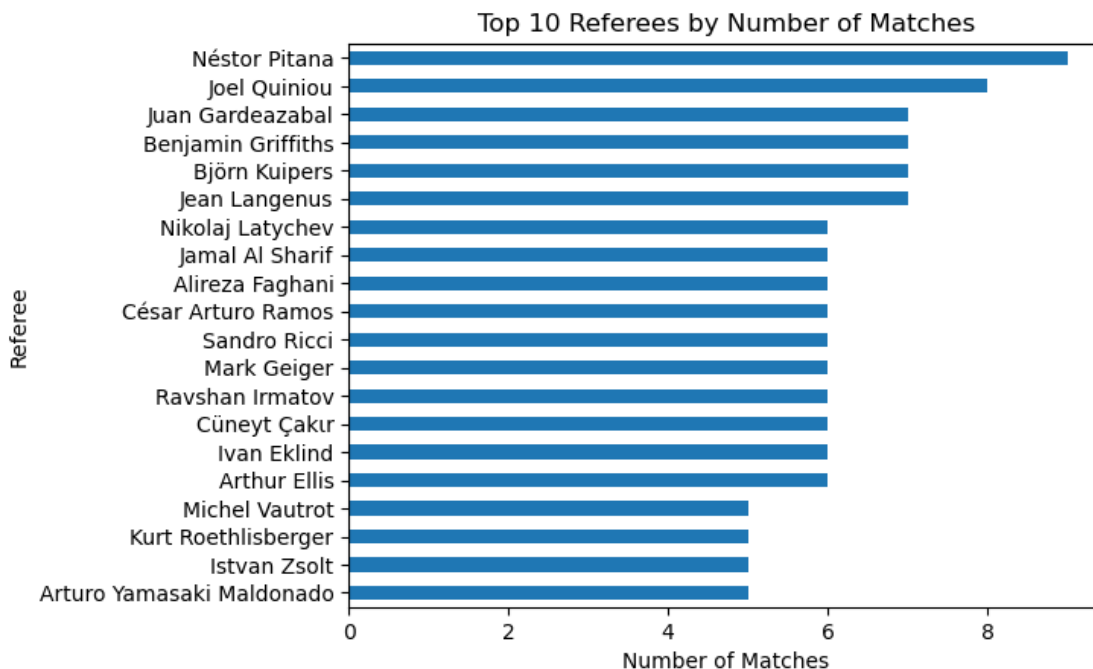
```
[69]: # The number of matches officiated by each referee is counted, and the referees_
      ↳with the most matches are identified
referee_counts = df['Referee'].value_counts().head(20)
print(referee_counts)
```

```
Referee
Néstor Pitana          9
Joel Quiniou           8
Juan Gardeazabal       7
Benjamin Griffiths     7
Björn Kuipers          7
Jean Langenus          7
Nikolaj Latychev       6
Jamal Al Sharif        6
Alireza Faghani        6
César Arturo Ramos     6
Sandro Ricci           6
Mark Geiger            6
```

Ravshan Irmatov	6
Cüneyt Çakır	6
Ivan Eklind	6
Arthur Ellis	6
Michel Vautrot	5
Kurt Roethlisberger	5
Istvan Zsolt	5
Arturo Yamasaki Maldonado	5

Name: count, dtype: int64

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[71]: referee_counts.plot(kind='barh', title='Top 10 Referees by Number of Matches')
plt.xlabel('Number of Matches')
plt.gca().invert_yaxis()
plt.show()
```



```
[80]: # The matches that included penalty shootouts are extracted based on the penalty_
      ↳ shootout columns
shootouts = df[df['home_penalty_shootout_goal_long'].notnull() |
      ↳ df['away_penalty_shootout_goal_long'].notnull()]

print(f"Number of matches decided by penalty shootout: {len(shootouts)}")
print(f"Percentage of matches decided by shootout: {100 * len(shootouts) /
      ↳ len(df):.2f}%")
```

Number of matches decided by penalty shootout: 35  
 Percentage of matches decided by shootout: 3.63%

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[108]: # The managers with the most wins are identified based on which team scored the
        ↳most goals in each match
df['winner'] = df.apply(lambda row: row['home_manager'] if row['home_score'] >
        ↳row['away_score']
                        else (row['away_manager'] if row['away_score'] >
        ↳row['home_score'] else None), axis=1)
top_managers = df['winner'].value_counts().head(10)
print(top_managers)

top_managers.plot(kind='barh', figsize=(8,5), title='Top 10 Winning Managers')
plt.xlabel('Number of Wins')
plt.show()
```

```
winner
Helmut Schoen          16
Didier Deschamps       14
Luiz Felipe Scolari    14
Joachim Löw            12
Carlos Alberto Pereira 10
Óscar Tabárez          9
Mario Zagallo          9
Enzo Bearzot           9
Sepp Herberger         9
Tele Santana           8
Name: count, dtype: int64
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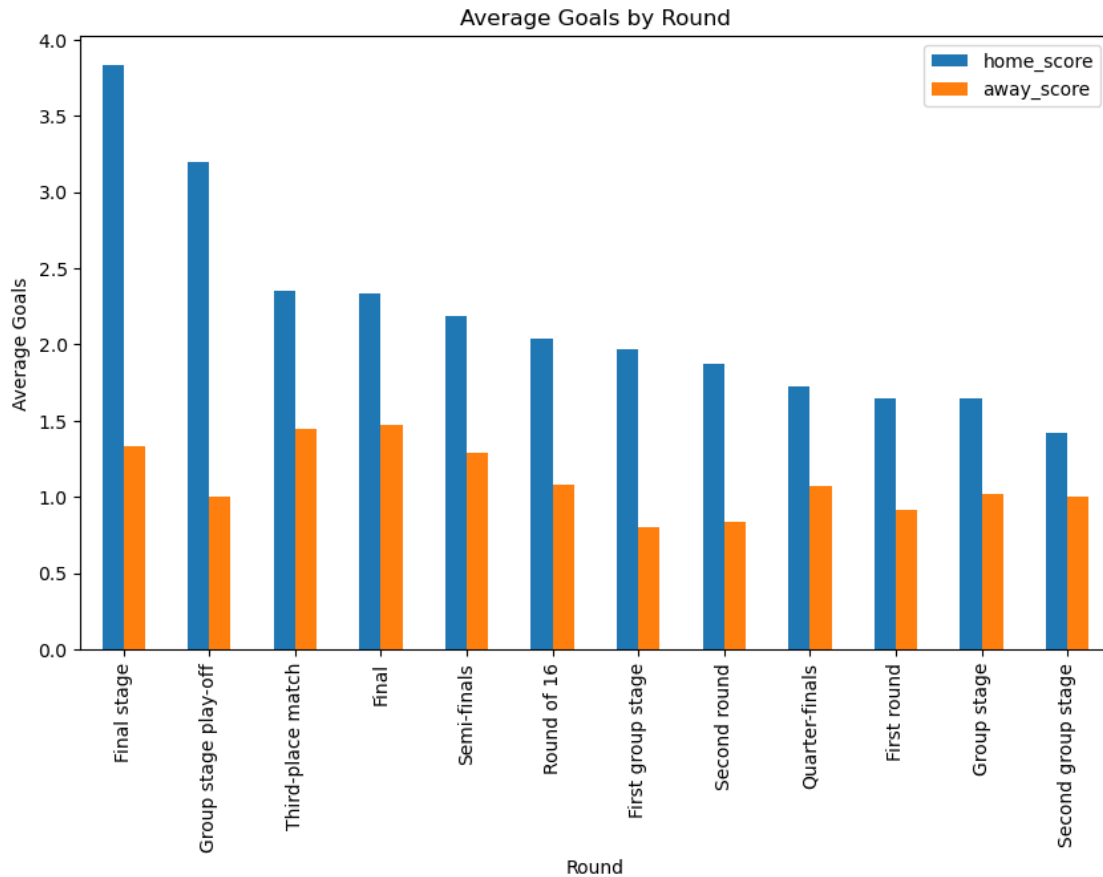
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[112]: # The number of matches that went to extra time is calculated
extra_time_matches = df[df['Notes'].fillna('').str.contains('Extra time|ET',
↪case=False)]
print(f"Number of extra time matches: {len(extra_time_matches)}")
```

Number of extra time matches: 73

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[122]: # The average goals in different stages of the tournament are compared
stage_goals = df.groupby('Round')[['home_score', 'away_score']].mean().
↪sort_values(by=['home_score', 'away_score'], ascending=False)
print(stage_goals)

stage_goals.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(10,6), title='Average Goals by Round')
plt.ylabel('Average Goals')
plt.show()
```

	home_score	away_score
Round		
Final stage	3.833333	1.333333
Group stage play-off	3.200000	1.000000
Third-place match	2.350000	1.450000
Final	2.333333	1.476190
Semi-finals	2.184211	1.289474
Round of 16	2.041237	1.082474
First group stage	1.972222	0.805556
Second round	1.875000	0.833333
Quarter-finals	1.728571	1.071429
First round	1.645833	0.916667
Group stage	1.642249	1.022147
Second group stage	1.416667	1.000000



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[124]: # The difference between expected goals (XG) and actual results is analyzed
df['home_xg_diff'] = df['home_score'] - df['home_xg']
df['away_xg_diff'] = df['away_score'] - df['away_xg']

xg_diff = pd.concat([
    df.groupby('home_team')['home_xg_diff'].mean().rename('xg_diff'),
    df.groupby('away_team')['away_xg_diff'].mean().rename('xg_diff')
]).groupby(level=0).mean().sort_values()

print(xg_diff.head(10)) # The teams that scored fewer goals than expected are_
    ↪ identified
print(xg_diff.tail(10)) # The teams that scored more goals than expected are_
    ↪ displayed
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```
Germany    -1.266667
Iceland     -0.875000
Brazil      -0.873810
Mexico      -0.675000
Canada      -0.650000
Wales       -0.550000
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Peru      -0.500000
Poland    -0.433333
Uruguay   -0.303333
Denmark   -0.245833
Name: xg_diff, dtype: float64
South Africa      NaN
Soviet Union      NaN
Togo              NaN
Trinidad and Tobago  NaN
Türkiye           NaN
Ukraine           NaN
United Arab Emirates  NaN
West Germany      NaN
Yugoslavia        NaN
Zaire             NaN
Name: xg_diff, dtype: float64

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[126]: # The venues that have hosted the most matches are identified
top_stadiums = df['Venue'].value_counts().head(10)
print(top_stadiums)

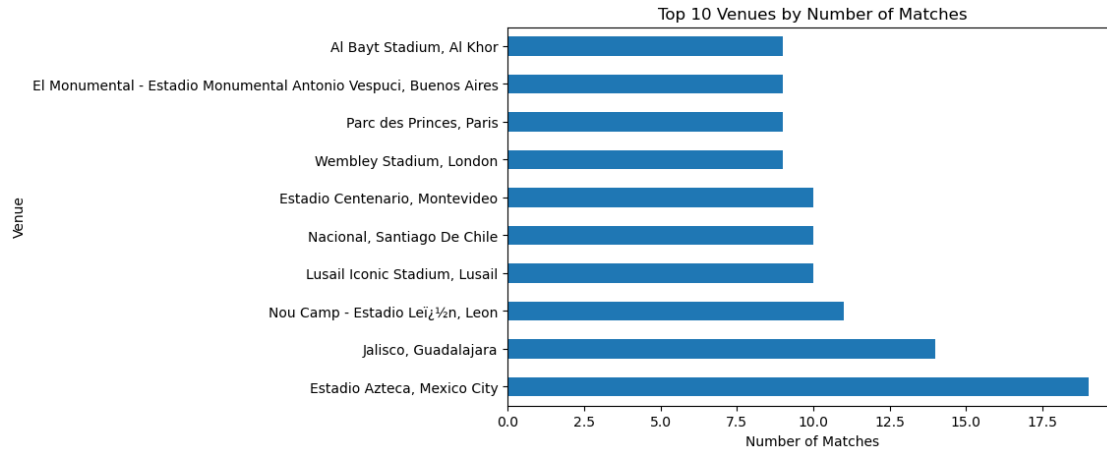
top_stadiums.plot(kind='barh', figsize=(8,5), title='Top 10 Venues by Number of_
↳Matches')
plt.xlabel('Number of Matches')
plt.show()

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Venue
Estadio Azteca, Mexico City      19
Jalisco, Guadalajara            14
Nou Camp - Estadio Leizor, Leon  11
Lusail Iconic Stadium, Lusail    10
Nacional, Santiago De Chile     10
Estadio Centenario, Montevideo   10
Wembley Stadium, London         9
Parc des Princes, Paris         9
El Monumental - Estadio Monumental Antonio Vespuci, Buenos Aires  9
Al Bayt Stadium, Al Khor        9
Name: count, dtype: int64

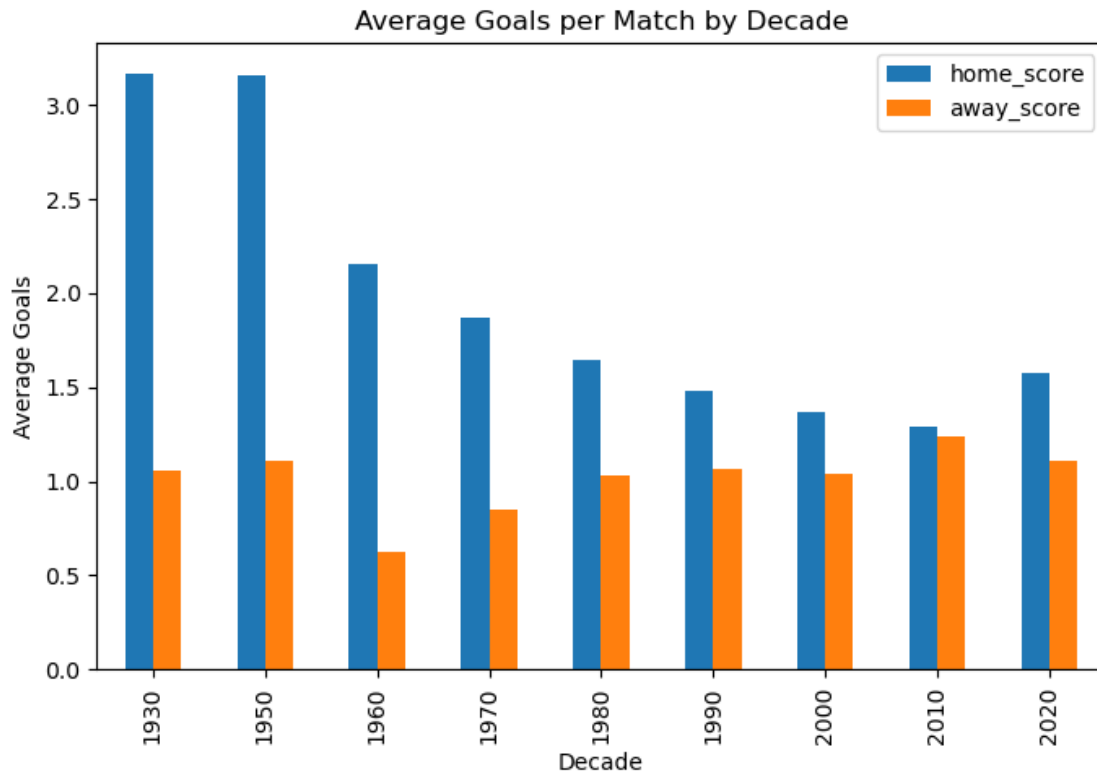
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[128]: # The matches are analyzed across different decades
df['Decade'] = (df['Year'] // 10) * 10
decade_goals = df.groupby('Decade')[['home_score', 'away_score']].mean()
print(decade_goals)

decade_goals.plot(kind='bar', figsize=(8,5), title='Average Goals per Match by_
↳Decade')
plt.ylabel('Average Goals')
plt.show()
```

	home_score	away_score
Decade		
1930	3.169811	1.056604
1950	3.156627	1.108434
1960	2.156250	0.625000
1970	1.870370	0.851852
1980	1.644231	1.028846
1990	1.476190	1.065476
2000	1.367188	1.039062
2010	1.291667	1.234375
2020	1.578125	1.109375



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[130]: # The performance between the continents of the teams is compared
continent_results = df.groupby(['home_continent'])[['home_score', 'away_score']].
    ↪mean()

print(continent_results)
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	home_score	away_score
home_continent		
Africa	1.000000	1.513514
Asia	0.838710	1.580645
Europe	1.909091	0.880165
North America	1.150000	0.850000
Other	1.726437	1.140230
South America	2.080402	0.884422

```
[132]: # The performance between the continents of the teams is compared
continent_results_reset = continent_results.reset_index()
plt.figure(figsize=(10,6))
bar_width = 0.35
index = range(len(continent_results_reset))

plt.bar(index, continent_results_reset['home_score'], bar_width, label='Home Score')
plt.bar([i + bar_width for i in index], continent_results_reset['away_score'], bar_width, label='Away Score')

plt.xlabel('Continent')
plt.ylabel('Average Goals')
plt.title('Average Home and Away Goals by Continent')
plt.xticks([i + bar_width/2 for i in index], continent_results_reset['home_continent'])
plt.legend()

plt.tight_layout()
plt.show()
```

