

Introduction

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Literature review

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Theory

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Messi

Lionel Andrés Messi^[note 1] (Spanish pronunciation: [\[ljoˈnel anˈdres ˈmesi\]](#) (listen)); born 24 June 1987), also known as **Leo Messi**, is an Argentine professional [footballer](#) who plays as a [forward](#) for [Ligue 1](#) club [Paris Saint-Germain](#) and [captains](#) the [Argentina national team](#). Often considered the best player in the world and widely regarded as one of the greatest players of all time, Messi has won a record seven [Ballon d'Or](#) awards,^[note 2] a record six [European Golden Shoes](#), and in 2020 was named to the [Ballon d'Or Dream Team](#). Until leaving the club in 2021, he had spent his entire professional career with [Barcelona](#), where he won a [club-record](#) 35 trophies, including ten [La Liga](#) titles, seven [Copa del Rey](#) titles and four [UEFA Champions Leagues](#). A prolific goalscorer and creative playmaker, Messi holds the records for [most goals in La Liga](#) (474), [a La Liga](#) and European league season (50), [most hat-tricks in La Liga](#) (36) and the [UEFA Champions League](#) (8), and most [assists](#) in La Liga (192), a [La Liga](#) season (21) and the [Copa América](#) (17). He also holds the record for [most international goals](#) by a South American male (86). Messi has scored over [750 senior career goals](#) for club and country, and has the most goals by a player for a single club.

Born and raised in central Argentina, Messi relocated to Spain to join Barcelona at the age of 13, for whom he made his competitive debut aged 17 in October 2004. He established himself as an integral player for the club within the next three years, and in his first uninterrupted season in [2008–09](#) he helped Barcelona achieve the first [treble](#) in Spanish football; that year, aged 22, Messi won his first [Ballon d'Or](#). Three successful seasons followed, with Messi winning four consecutive Ballons d'Or, making him the first player to win the award four times and in a row.^[10] During the [2011–12 season](#), he set the La Liga and European records for most goals scored in a single season, while establishing himself as [Barcelona's all-time top scorer](#). The following two seasons, Messi finished second for the [Ballon d'Or](#) behind [Cristiano Ronaldo](#) (his perceived [career rival](#)), before regaining his best form during the [2014–15 campaign](#), becoming the all-time top scorer in La Liga and leading Barcelona to a historic second treble, after which he was awarded a fifth Ballon d'Or in [2015](#). Messi assumed captaincy of Barcelona in 2018, and in 2019 he won a record [sixth Ballon d'Or](#). Out of contract, he signed for Paris Saint-Germain in August 2021.

An Argentine international, Messi holds the [national record for appearances](#) and is also the country's [all-time leading goalscorer](#). At youth level, he won the [2005 FIFA World Youth Championship](#), finishing the tournament with both the [Golden Ball and Golden Shoe](#), and an [Olympic gold medal](#) at the [2008 Summer Olympics](#). His style of play as a diminutive, left-footed [dribbler](#) drew comparisons

with his compatriot [Diego Maradona](#), who described Messi as his [successor](#). After his senior debut in August 2005, Messi became the youngest Argentine to play and score in a [FIFA World Cup](#) in [2006](#), and reached the final of the [2007 Copa América](#), where he was named young player of the tournament. As the squad's captain from August 2011, he led Argentina to three consecutive finals: the [2014 FIFA World Cup](#), for which he won the [Golden Ball](#), and the [2015](#) and [2016 Copa América](#), winning the [Golden Ball](#) in the 2015 edition. After announcing his international retirement in 2016, he reversed his decision and led his country to qualification for the [2018 FIFA World Cup](#), a third-place finish at the [2019 Copa América](#), and won the [2021 Copa América](#), while winning the [Golden Ball](#) and [Golden Boot](#) award for the latter. This achievement would see him receive a record [seventh Ballon d'Or](#) in 2021.

Messi has endorsed sportswear company [Adidas](#) since 2006. According to [France Football](#), he was the world's highest-paid footballer for five years out of six between 2009 and 2014, and was ranked the [world's highest-paid athlete](#) by [Forbes](#) in 2019 and 2022.^[11] Messi was among [Time's 100 most influential people in the world](#) in 2011 and 2012. In February 2020, he was awarded the [Laureus World Sportsman of the Year](#), thus becoming the first footballer and the first team sport athlete to win the award. Later that year, Messi became the second footballer (and second team-sport athlete) to surpass \$1 billion in career earnings.