

Six Nations 2017 - Lineout Analysis

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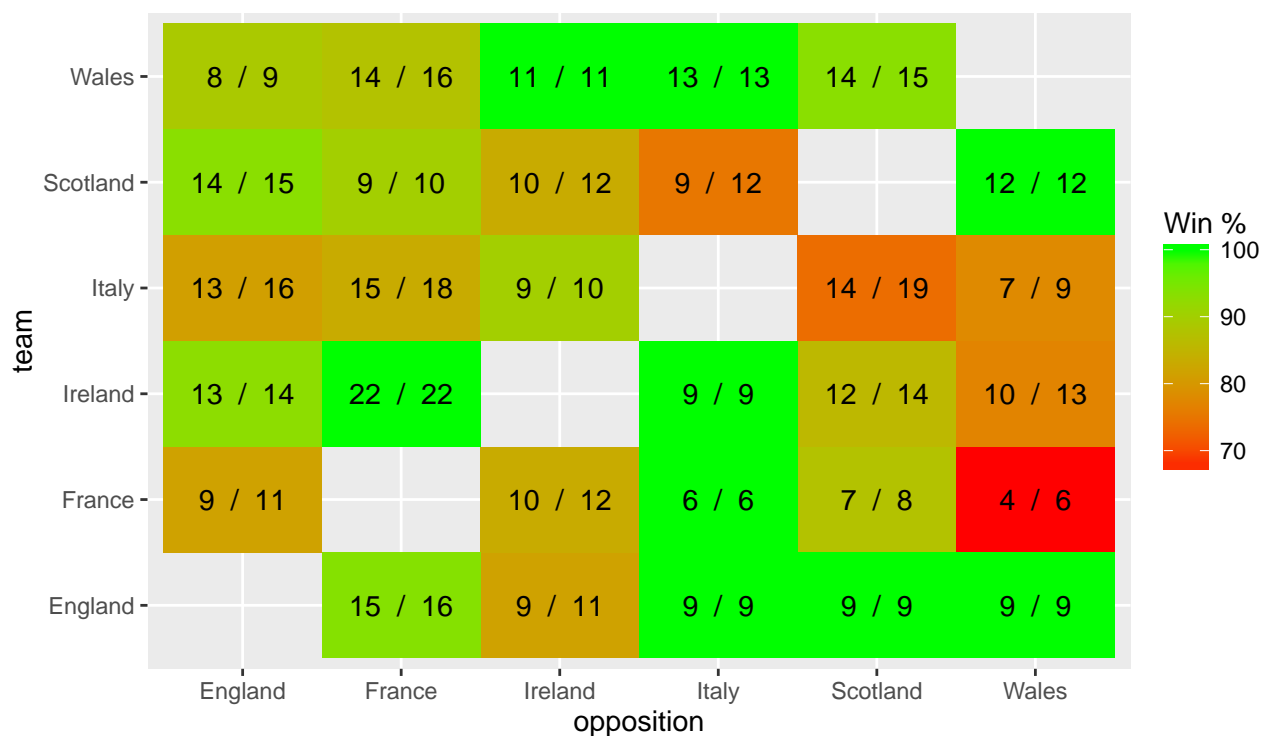
Lineout

Ireland had a 91.7% success rate from the Lineout on their own ball, despite having the (joint) most lineouts (72) of the tournament. Tournament winners England lost only three of their own lineouts (2 v Ireland, 1 v France).

Table 1: Lineouts By Team

Team	Total	Won	Lost	Win %
England	54	51	3	94.4
Wales	64	60	4	93.8
Ireland	72	66	6	91.7
Scotland	61	54	7	88.5
France	43	36	7	83.7
Italy	72	58	14	80.6

Ireland's winning 22 from 22 lineouts v France was their best showing, while three of Ireland's six lost lineouts occurred in their defeat by Wales



Lineouts Stolen

Behind Italy, Ireland and Scotland jointly had the most lineouts stolen in the tournament

Table 2: Lineouts Stolen

Team	Lineouts Stolen	Stolen Lineout %
Italy	10	20.4
Ireland	4	7.1
Scotland	4	6.2
England	2	3.1
France	2	2.4
Wales	1	2.0

Ireland stole 4 opposition lineouts through Devin Toner, Iain Henderson and Peter O'Mahony. Englands Maro Itoje stealing 3 on the opposition throw (2 v Italy, 1 v Scotland).

Table 3: Lineout Stolen

Team	Player	Lineouts Stolen
England	Itoje, Maro	3
Ireland	Toner, Devin	2
Scotland	Wilson, Ryan	2
Wales	Jones, Alun Wyn	2
France	Gourdon, Kevin	1
France	Ledevedec, Julien	1
France	Maestri, Yoann	1
France	Sanconnie, Fabien	1
Ireland	Henderson, Iain	1
Ireland	O'Mahony, Peter	1
Italy	Steyn, Braam	1
Italy	van Schalkwyk, Dries	1
Scotland	Du Preez, Cornell	1
Scotland	Gray, Jonny	1
Scotland	Gray, Richie	1
Wales	Ball, Jake	1
Wales	Charteris, Luke	1
Wales	Warburton, Sam	1

Lineout Throwing Accuracy

Table 4: Ireland - Lineout Throw Success

Player	Lineouts	Won	Lost	% Success
Best, Rory	54	48	6	88.9
Scannell, Niall	16	16	0	100.0
Sexton, Jonathan	1	1	0	100.0
Tracy, James	1	1	0	100.0

Rory Best threw at 89% for the tournament, though the not straight lineout against England was intentional/tactical.

Table 5: Rory Best - Throw Success

Opposition	Total	% Success	Lost Outright	Lost - Handling Error	Lost - Not Straight
England	10	90	0	0	1
Scotland	14	86	1	1	0
Wales	13	77	3	0	0