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Football Player Comparison Tool

Learn to compare two players, interpret metrics, add verified figures and export results responsibly.

FORA DAS 4 LINHAS • Statistics • Free tool

Get started in 5 steps

1. Choose players	Select an athlete under “Player A”, then another under “Player B”. You must choose two different players.
2. Inspect totals	“Totals” displays the available figures: goals, assists and any other metrics included or added by the user.
3. Switch to “Per 90 minutes”	Select “Per 90 minutes”. Normalised values are available only when valid playing-minute figures have been entered.
4. Read the context	Check warnings for different seasons or competitions. A longer visual bar does not automatically indicate better performance.
5. Export a comparison	Use “Export pair as CSV” to download the selected player records; open the file in Excel or another spreadsheet application.

Worked example: 5 goals in 900 minutes corresponds to 0.50 goals per 90 minutes. This is an illustration, not a record from the included dataset.

The initial sample includes 10 players and a limited set of statistics published in a media kit associated with Liga Portugal 2026/27 matchday 11. These are not live figures.

Understand the measures

Metric	Interpretation or calculation
Appearances	Games recorded by the source or entered by the user.
Minutes	Total time on the pitch; needed for per-90 comparisons.
Goals and assists	Counts from the selected source; neither alone measures overall quality.
Goal involvements	Goals + assists, provided both figures are available.
Shots / shots on target	Attempts and shots on target, when supported by a source.
Pass accuracy	Completed passes ÷ attempted passes × 100; attempted passes must exceed zero.
Tackles / interceptions	Defensive actions; definitions may vary between providers.
Per 90 minutes	Count metric × 90 ÷ total playing minutes.

Three rules to remember

- A dash (—) means **not available**, not zero.
- Appearances, minutes and pass accuracy are not recalculated per 90 minutes.
- Prefer comparisons with similar positions, seasons, competitions and sample sizes.

Normalisation example: Player A: 4 goals/720 min = 0.50 per 90. Player B: 6 goals/1,800 min = 0.30 per 90. The raw count favours B and the rate favours A. Neither alone determines the better player.

Add statistics and import CSV files

Edit or add a player

Select “Open player editor”. Choose an existing record or “New player”, enter the name and club, then add figures verified against a reliable source. Select “Save player for this session”. This does not modify the source website data.

Prepare a CSV

Download the CSV template. Keep the English column names. **name** and **club** are required; other fields may be blank. Use non-negative whole numbers for counts and minutes.

Import and validate

Use “Import CSV with statistics”. Comma (,) and semicolon (;) delimiters are supported; up to 200 records per import and 1 MB per file. Invalid numeric values cause the import to fail.

Export and restore

“Export all player records” downloads the current in-browser set. “Reset original data” discards local changes and restores the original snapshot.

Identity/source columns: name, club, position, competition, season, source, source_url, ref_date.

Numeric columns: games, minutes, goals, assists, shots, shots_on_target, passes_attempted, passes_completed, tackles, interceptions.

Validation: passes_completed cannot exceed passes_attempted; shots_on_target cannot exceed shots. Numeric fields require non-negative whole numbers. Leave cells blank instead of typing “N/A”.

You can temporarily edit existing sample records but cannot delete them. Only player records added by the user can be deleted.

Sources, limitations and good practice

Initial source

Liga Portugal / zerozero.pt media kit linked to matchday 11, 2026/27. The citation identifies the source; it does not imply a continuously updated service.

Missing statistics

The initial sample does not contain minutes, shots, passes or tackles. These appear as unavailable, and per-90 calculations need minutes to be entered first.

Privacy

All imports and edits are handled in the browser during the current session. The tool does not transmit them to a server or retain them after reloading or closing the page.

Comparability

Providers may apply different definitions for assists, tackles and other events. Check season, competition, position and methodology before drawing conclusions.

If per-90 figures do not appear, check that **minutes** is above zero for both players. If import fails, verify the column names, mandatory fields and number constraints. Export the CSV if you wish to keep your edits after leaving the page.

Links

Tool: foradas4linhas.pt/en/estatistica/player-comparison/
Initial source: ligaportugal.pt/backoffice/assets/CD_Nacional_Academico_Jornada_11_3ce5512a8f.pdf

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