



Richie McCaw (centre) leads All Blacks' charge. PHOTO: AGENCE FRANCE-PRESSE

**NEW ZEALAND**

- 1 Joe Moody
- 2 Dane Coles
- 3 Owen Franks
- 4 Brodie Retallick
- 5 Sam Whitelock
- 6 Jerome Kaino
- 7 Richie McCaw (captain)
- 8 Kieran Read
- 9 Aaron Smith
- 10 Dan Carter
- 11 Julian Savea
- 12 Ma'a Nonu
- 13 Conrad Smith
- 14 Nehe Milner-Skudder
- 15 Ben Smith

**Replacements:** 16 Keven Mealamu  
 17 Ben Franks 18 Charlie Faumuina  
 19 Victor Vito 20 Sam Cane 21 Tawera  
 Kerr-Barlow 22 Beauden Barrett  
 23 Sonny Bill Williams

**AUSTRALIA**

- 1 Scott Sio
- 2 Stephen Moore (captain)
- 3 Sekope Kepu
- 4 Kane Douglas
- 5 Rob Simmons
- 6 Scott Fardy
- 7 Michael Hooper
- 8 David Pocock
- 9 Will Genia
- 10 Bernard Foley
- 11 Drew Mitchell
- 12 Matt Giteau
- 13 Tevita Kuridrani
- 14 Adam Ashley-Cooper
- 15 Israel Folau

**Replacements:** 16 Tatafu Polota Nau  
 17 James Slipper 18 Greg Holmes  
 19 Dean Mumm 20 Ben McCalman  
 21 Nick Phipps 22 Matt Toomua  
 23 Kurtley Beale

**WORLD CUP SO FAR**

100%	Win rate	100%
256	Points scored	205
36	Tries scored	26
26	Conversions	15
7	Penalties	15
1	Drop goals	0
4/0	Yellow/red cards	4/0
577.33	Average metres per match	396.50
91.83	Average tackles per match	121.00
35	Turnovers won	42



Stephen Moore (right) skippers Australia's campaign. PHOTO: ACTION IMAGES

**Key for New Zealand:  
Take out danger man Pocock early**

"I think he is simply the best over the ball at ruck time, or ball on the ground time, that I've ever seen. To counter that, 5m out, someone's got to line him up and as he's getting to the ball, knock him over."  
 – Former All Blacks coach Laurie Mains on Radio New Zealand

**Jonathan Leow:  
Backing Wallabies to win**

"I take Australia to win by five points. Everyone's talking about (David) Pocock but, to me, Australia's biggest strength is their back line. In (Israel) Folau, (Matt) Giteau and (Drew) Mitchell, they have three world-class talents who can break apart any defence. If those three remain in sync, even the All Blacks will be in trouble."  
 – Former Singapore national rugby player Jonathan Leow in The Straits Times

**Schalk Burger:  
Too close to call**

"Their strengths are similar, their style is similar. New Zealand kick more in an attacking shape; Australia pass to No. 10 (Bernard Foley) and he kicks long, so New Zealand are more attacking. But this match will be 100 per cent mental preparation, and who buckles under the pressure, and who can't soak it up."  
 – Springbok Schalk Burger to the Rugby News Service.

**Ian McGeechan:  
All Blacks all the way**

"An extra day's rest for New Zealand could be crucial in the last 20 minutes of a tight game. (Dan) Carter's kicking from tee and hand could be the defining factor, both in points and territory at key moments."  
 – Former Scotland coach Ian McGeechan in the Telegraph

**Key for Australia: Try and try again**

"When they beat New Zealand in the Rugby Championship (in August)... they scored three tries. Australia are going to get seven chances, I expect, in this game... If they can take two or three of those chances, they'll certainly be in the game because they're facing the toughest defence that's out there in New Zealand, who have only conceded four tries in the tournament."  
 – Former England coach Andy Robinson on World Rugby TV