

Lionel Messi From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia (Redirected from Messi) Jump to navigationJump to search "Messi" redirects here.2004–2005 Argentina U20 18 (14) 2008 Argentina Olympic 5[?] (2) 2005–Argentina 148 (75) show Honours * Senior club appearances and goals counted for the domestic league only and correct as of 21:23, 22 May 2021 (UTC) ?National team caps and goals correct as of 02:17, 29 June 2021 (UTC) Lionel Messi This article is part of a series about Lionel Messi Argentine professional footballer International goals Career achievements Comparisons to Cristiano Ronaldo Eponym Messi (cougar) Films Messi (2014) Messi (2017) vte Lionel Andres Messi[note 1] (Spanish pronunciation: [ljoˈnel anˈdres ˈmesi] (About this soundlisten));[A] also known as Leo Messi,[8] (born 24 June 1987) is an Argentine professional footballer who plays as a forward and captains the Argentina national team. 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.Lionel Messi Lionel Messi 20180626.jpg Messi with Argentina at the 2018 FIFA World Cup Personal information Full name Lionel Andres Messi[1] Date of birth 24 June 1987 (age 34)[2] Place of birth Rosario, Argentina Height 1.70 m (5 ft 7 in)[3] Position(s) Forward Youth career 1992–1995 Grandoli 1995–2000 Newell's Old Boys 2000–2003 Barcelona Senior career* Years Team Apps (Gls) 2003–2004 Barcelona C 10 (5) 2004–2005 Barcelona B 22 (6) 2004–2021 Barcelona 520 (474) National team?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 and European league season (21)[11] and the Copa America (14). 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.[12] 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. He has spent his entire professional career with Barcelona, where he has won a club-record 34 trophies, including ten La Liga titles, seven Copa del Rey titles and four UEFA Champions Leagues. Born and raised in central Argentina, Messi relocated to Spain to join Barcelona at age 13, for whom he made his competitive .debut aged 17 in October 2004