

Opening report

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4



B15, 4.Nxe4

102328 Games in 'Mega Database 2022'

1. History

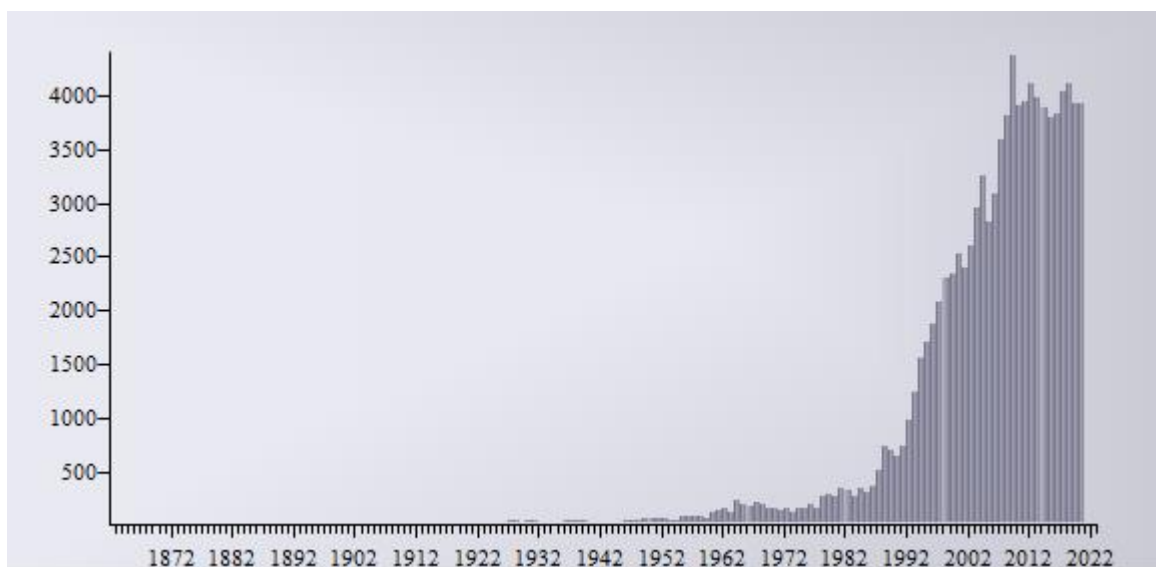
Earliest game:

Gaprindashvili,N - Honfi,K 1-0

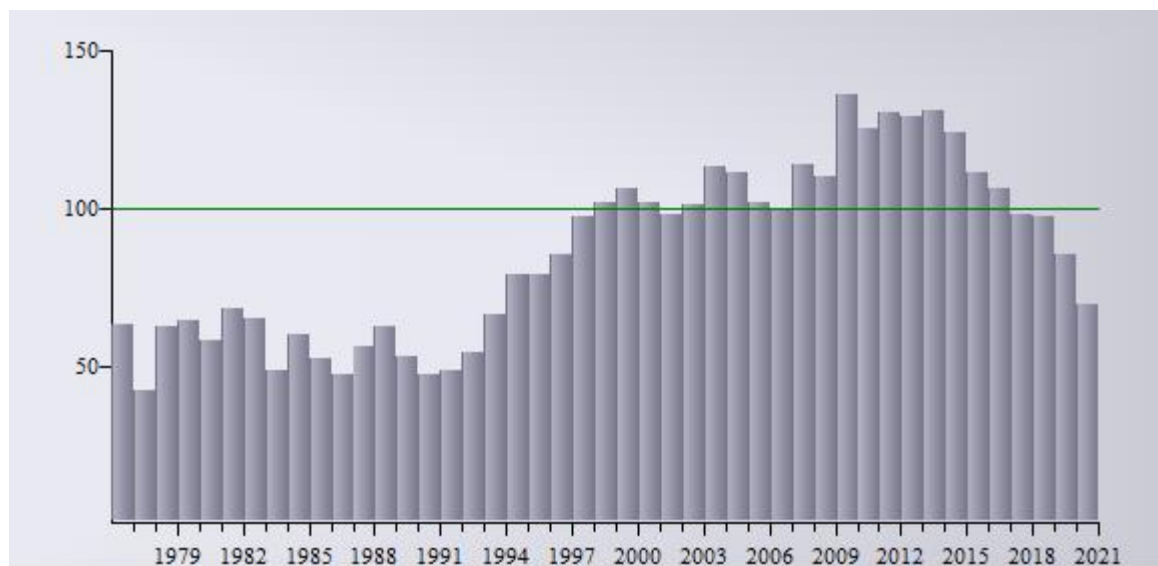
Latest grandmaster game: Diaz Perez,M - Abdusattorov,N 0-1

Latest game:

Trybus,D - Salna,A 0-1



Games played in years (102328)



Fashion index - Distribution of games relative to database [%]

2. Players

a) Strong grandmasters who used this line as White:

<u>Viswanathan Anand</u>	Result=35.5/51	1984- 2018	Elo-Ø: 2711	<u>Games:</u> <u>51</u>
<u>Anatoly Karpov</u>	Result=26/35	1965- 2007	Elo-Ø: 2711	<u>Games:</u> <u>35</u>
<u>Vassily Ivanchuk</u>	Result=23.5/38	1985- 2021	Elo-Ø: 2718	<u>Games:</u> <u>38</u>
<u>Garry Kasparov</u>	Result=19/24	1978- 2004	Elo-Ø: 2779	<u>Games:</u> <u>24</u>
<u>Veselin Topalov</u>	Result=12.5/25	1991- 2013	Elo-Ø: 2711	<u>Games:</u> <u>25</u>
<u>Vladimir Kramnik</u>	Result=8/10	1988- 2005	Elo-Ø: 2739	<u>Games:</u> <u>10</u>
<u>Alexei Shirov</u>	Result=7.5/13	1998- 2003	Elo-Ø: 2716	<u>Games:</u> <u>13</u>
<u>Teimour Radjabov</u>	Result=6/9	2008- 2016	Elo-Ø: 2744	<u>Games: 9</u>
<u>Hikaru Nakamura</u>	Result=3/4	2016- 2020	Elo-Ø: 2751	<u>Games: 4</u>
<u>Shakhriyar Mamedyarov</u>	Result=3/4	2007- 2009	Elo-Ø: 2738	<u>Games: 4</u>

b) Other notable players:

<u>Sergei Tiviakov</u>	Result=72/112	1989- 2019	Elo-Ø: 2635	<u>Games: 112</u>
<u>Gadir Guseinov</u>	Result=60.5/87	1996- 2021	Elo-Ø: 2609	<u>Games: 87</u>
<u>Michele Godena</u>	Result=53/93	1989- 2018	Elo-Ø: 2506	<u>Games: 93</u>
<u>Sergey A Fedorchuk</u>	Result=52.5/73	2001- 2021	Elo-Ø: 2609	<u>Games: 73</u>
<u>Heikki MJ Westerinen</u>	Result=52/84	1962- 2018	Elo-Ø: 2390	<u>Games: 84</u>
<u>Giga Quparadze</u>	Result=51.5/75	2003- 2021	Elo-Ø: 2459	<u>Games: 75</u>
<u>Jonny Hector</u>	Result=51/75	1982- 2019	Elo-Ø: 2502	<u>Games: 75</u>
<u>Robert Zelcic</u>	Result=49/69	1988- 2021	Elo-Ø: 2518	<u>Games: 69</u>

3. Statistics

White scores averagely (53%).

White performs Elo 2140 against an opposition of Elo 2119 (+21).

Black performs Elo 2095 against an opposition of Elo 2116 (-21).

White wins: 37856 (=37%), Draws: 33646 (=33%), Black wins: 30792 (=30%)

The drawing quote is lower than average. (6% quick draws, < 20 Moves)

White wins are of average length (40).

Black wins are longer than average (43).

Draws are shorter than average (36).

4. Moves and Plans

a) 4...Bf5

Black scores above average (47%).

played by: [Anand](#), 2775, 2/5; [Karpov](#), 2710, 7.5/12; [Kasparov](#), 2710, 6.5/12; [Bareev](#), 2677, 4/7; [Leko](#), 2667, 1.5/2;

You should play: [5.Ng3](#) [Click for games](#)



[Ivanchuk,V - Bareev,E 1-0](#); [Anand,V - Adams,M 1-0](#); [Karpov,A - Huebner,R 1-0](#); [Karpov,A - Larsen,B 1-0](#); [Khalifman,A - Seirawan,Y 1-0](#); [Shchekachev,A - Bareev,E 1-0](#)

Main line:

5...Bg6 6.h4 h6 7.Nf3 Nd7 8.h5 55%, 2218 [Click for games](#)

b) 4...Nd7

Black scores averagely (45%).

played by: [Anand](#), 2755, 0.5/3; [Karpov](#), 2743, 44.5/89; [Ivanchuk](#), 2715, 3/5; [Kortschnoj](#), 2633, 3.5/5; [Leko](#), 2630, 1/3;

You should play: [5.Nf3](#) [Click for games](#)



[Adams,M - Karpov,A 1-0](#); [Karpov,A - Hort,V 1-0](#); [Glek,I - Epishin,V 1-0](#); [Sokolov,A - Karpov,A 1/2-1/2](#); [Sokolov,A - Karpov,A 1/2-1/2](#);

Dvoiryys,S - Burmakin,V 1-0*Main line:*5...Ngf6 6.Ng3 54%, 2103 [Click for games](#)5...Ngf6 6.Nxf6+ Nxf6 50%, 2160 [Click for games](#)

Alternative: 5.Bc4

Rublevsky,S - Karpov,A 1-0; Anand,V - Khalifman,A 1-0; Ivanchuk,V - Epishin,V 1-0; Kasparov,G - Karpov,A ½-½; Polgar,J - Leko,P 1-0; Tiviakov,S - Adams,M 1-0c) 4...Nf6

Black scores above average (48%).

played by: [Ivanchuk](#), 2720, 0/1; [Kortschnoj](#), 2657, 3/5; [Timman](#), 2655, 0.5/1; [Jovic](#), 2645, 1/1; [Nikolic](#), 2620, 0/1;*You should play:* [5.Nxf6+](#) [Click for games](#)Karpov,A - Smyslov,V 1-0; Khalifman,A - Seirawan,Y 1-0; Campora,D - Morozevich,A 1-0; Spangenberg,H - Spraggett,K 1-0; Godena,M - Efimov,I 1-0; Geller,E - Vasiukov,E 1-0*Main line:*5...exf6 6.c3 55%, 2274 [Click for games](#)5...gxf6 55%, 2179 [Click for games](#)d) 4...g6

Black scores badly (36%).

played by: [Teske](#), 2510, 0.5/1; [Pieterse](#), 2385, 0.5/1; [Gaertner](#), 2325, 0/1; [Kroencke](#), 2285, 0/1; [Yanez](#), 2250, 1/1

You should play: [5.Nf3](#) [Reference](#)



[Polgar,S - Gaertner,G 1-0](#); [Kaminski,U - Teske,H ½-½](#); [Bosman,M - Pieterse,G ½-½](#); [Toth,D - Andor,L 1-0](#); [Martin Ojeda,J - Lladós Peiro,J 1-0](#); [Westphal,W - Kroencke,M 1-0](#)

Plans White:

Bf1-c4/Ne4xf6/0-0/c2-c3 (3) [Click for games](#)

0-0/Rf1-e1 (7) [Click for games](#)

Bf1-e2/0-0/Ne4-g3 (2) [Click for games](#)

c2-c3/Bc1-f4 (4) [Click for games](#)

Bf1-c4/Ne4-g5 (2) [Click for games](#)

h2-h3/Ne4xf6 (2) [Click for games](#)

Plans Black:

Bf8-g7/Ng8-f6/0-0/Nb8-d7 (5) [Click for games](#)

Nb8-d7/0-0/Nd7-b6/Qd8-c7 (2) [Click for games](#)

Bf8-g7/Ng8-h6/Nh6-f5 (4) [Click for games](#)

Nh6-f5/0-0/Nf5-d6 (3) [Click for games](#)

0-0/Bc8-g4/Bg4xf3 (2) [Click for games](#)

Bf8-g7/Bg7xf6 (3) [Click for games](#)

Alternative: [5.Bc4](#)

[Boudre,J - Alet,J 1-0](#); [Dimitrov,V - Knopp,I 1-0](#); [Mihevc Mohr,N -](#)

Prestrl,J ½-½; Ferris,H - Burmensky,I 0-1; Sowray,P - Kokje,A 1-0;
Ciampi,V - Simeoni,G 1-0

e) 4...h6

Black scores averagely (44%).

played by: Bellon Lopez, 2461, 1.5/4; Pyhala, 2340, 0.5/1; Aarland,
 2250, 0.5/1; Egeli, 2210, 0.5/2

You should play: [5.Nf3](#)

Rivas Pastor,M - Bellon Lopez,J 1-0; Perez Garcia,R - Bellon Lopez,J
½-½; Raaste,E - Pyhala,A ½-½; Moshina,C - Seles,A 1-0

Alternative: 5.Ng3

Gullaksen,E - Egeli,P 1-0; Gullaksen,E - Egeli,P ½-½; Gullaksen,E -
Skjelde,A 1-0; Skodvin,E - Aarland,S ½-½

f) 4...Qc7

Black scores below average (37%).

played by: Hansen, 2492, 1/2; Bang, 2325, 0.5/2; Speer, 2250, 1/1;
Bersoult, 2210, 0/1; Ilieva, 2160, 1/3

You should play: [5.Bc4](#)

Apicella,M - Bersoult,F 1-0; Thuesen,M - Bang,A 1-0; Sznepik,A -
Hansen,L 0-1; Fuehren,H - Speer,A 0-1

Alternative: 5.Bd3

Nielsen,P - Hansen,L 1-0; Elgaard,B - Bang,A ½-½; Dimitrova,L -
Ilieva,H 1-0

g) 4...e5

Black scores badly (32%).

played by: [Schwab](#), 2265, 0/1; [Czuczai](#), 2255, 0/1; [Shalaby](#), 2235, 0.5/1

You should play: [5.dxe5](#)

[Zila,L - Czuczai,J 1-0](#); [Glueck,M - Pruckler,M 1-0](#); [Beshara,N - Shalaby,A ½-½](#); [Lantzsch,C - Widiger,I 1-0](#); [Montaruli,R - La Torre,G 1-0](#); [Steinitz,W - Von Popiel,I 1-0](#)

Alternative: [5.Nf3](#)

[Medvegy,Z - Schwab,R 1-0](#); [Castillo Martinez,A - Gomez Manzano,F 1-0](#); [Koop,T - Harms,P 1-0](#); [Meier - Zachau,W 1-0](#); [Tomasic,R - Jelinic,G 1-0](#); [Golovey,T - Konopleva,N 1-0](#)

h) 4...e6

Black scores badly (26%).

played by: [Oberfrank](#), 2095, 0/1; [Komovec](#), 2030, 1.5/2; [Mas](#), 1660, 0/1

You should play: [5.Nf3](#)

[Kiselev,M - Oberfrank,I 1-0](#); [Alexieva,S - Mas,B 1-0](#); [Golja,M - Komovec,I ½-½](#); [Campos,J - Etchelecu,O 1-0](#); [Kucera,P - Sykora,V ½-½](#); [Arutyunova,D - Jasova,D 1-0](#)

i) 4...Na6

Black scores above average (50%).

played by: [Petreje](#), 2125, 0/1

You should play: [5.Bc4](#)

[Vlcek,S - Petreje,J 1-0](#)