



INSIGHTS - MATCHDAY 7

SERIE A - 2025/2026



SERIE A ENILIVE

On October 19, 1997, a match was played that remains in Serie A history (single-group format from 1929/30 to present) as the game with the most expulsions - a total of 5 red cards. The match was Sampdoria-Piacenza 3-1, played at the Ferraris stadium, where referee Bettin sent off Sampdoria players Balleri (47'), Franceschetti (77'), and Dieng (90'), along with Piacenza players Marco Rossi (29') and Piovani (80').

Matchday 6 has been the most prolific round of Serie A 2025/26 so far, with 27 goals scored. In the 2024/25 season, there were 163 goals scored after 6 matchdays, whereas in this current season there have been 143 goals (20 goals fewer).



LECCE



SASSUOLO

The previous meetings in Lecce between the two teams total 5, with the home side never victorious: the record stands at 3 draws and 2 away wins for the Neroverdi (Sassuolo).

Among these 5 encounters, the historic match is the 0-0 draw on May 30, 2010, in Serie B. It was the decisive point for the Giallorossi's (Lecce) eighth promotion in their history from Serie B to Serie A.

Sassuolo are on 9 points in the table after 6 matchdays: this hasn't happened since the 2020/21 season. On that occasion, they had 14 points from 4 wins and 2 draws. The Neroverdi this season are coming off 3 victories in their last 4 matches.

This is the first official encounter between Eusebio Di Francesco and Fabio Grosso.

Eusebio Di Francesco returns to face Sassuolo. The current Lecce coach brought the Neroverdi to Serie A for the first time in their history with first place in Serie B 2012/13, always kept the Emilian club in the top division, and even secured Europa League qualification with sixth place in 2015/16. Overall record: 83 wins, 54 draws, and 72 defeats in 209 official matches.

Positive record for Fabio Grosso's teams in October: with an average of 1.91 points per match, in this month the Neroverdi coach's record is 13 wins, 5 draws, and 5 defeats in 23 official matches.

Fabio Grosso collected his 100th victory as a professional first-team coach in the away match at Verona (97 in Serie B and 3 in Serie A).

Riccardo Sottil has scored his 9th goal in Serie A. His last goal, also away from home, wearing the Fiorentina shirt, was dated December 29, 2024: Juventus-Fiorentina 2-2.

Armand Laurienté is one of the two most substituted players in this early phase of Serie A 2025/26: 6 appearances and 6 early exits, same as Giovanni Simeone of Torino.

Armand Laurienté, with 13 goals for Sassuolo in Serie A, is 3 goals away from the top ten all-time Neroverdi scorers in the top flight. At 16 goals are Sansone, Scamacca, and Traoré.



LECCE



SASSUOLO

Alieu Fadera is one of two players to have been introduced as a substitute in every match, six times out of six, along with Ché Adams of Torino.

Domenico Berardi has scored two career goals at Stadio Via del Mare: on November 3, 2019 (Lecce against Sassuolo, 2 to 2, with the decisive goal in the 85th minute) and on October 6, 2023 (Lecce against Sassuolo, 1 to 1, a penalty in the 22nd minute).



PISA



VERONA

In Tuscany, the official meetings between the two teams total 28: 13 wins for the Nerazzurri (Pisa), 9 draws, and 6 victories for the Scaligeri (Verona).

The last clash between the two clubs in Serie A dates back to December 18, 1988, a 1-0 home victory. In that match, Massimiliano Allegri (who played for Pisa but remained on the bench for the entire game) and Stefano Pioli (who played all 90 minutes) faced each other, and tomorrow they will face off as opposing coaches in the late match Milan-Fiorentina.

Verona haven't won in Pisa since December 15, 1985, a 1-0 victory in Serie A with the decisive goal from Hans Peter Briegel.

Verona have scored only once in Pisa in their last 7 matches: it happened on November 15, 1992, a 1-1 draw in Serie B, with a Gialloblù goal from Lamacchi.

Pisa without victories after 6 matchdays in Serie A: the last time this happened was in the 1988/89 season.

Verona without victories after 6 matchdays in Serie A: the last time this happened was in the 2015/16 season.

Pisa and Verona are two of the 4 teams still without wins in Serie A 2025/26, along with Genoa and Fiorentina. The Nerazzurri haven't secured a victory in Serie A since May 12, 1991, a 1-0 home win over Bari; the Scaligeri, on the other hand, last won on May 25 of this year, a 1-2 away victory at Empoli.

Pisa and Verona are the two least prolific teams in the first 6 matchdays: 3 goals scored by the Tuscans, 2 by the Venetians. Additionally, they are the teams with the fewest goalscorers, 2 each, same as Parma.

Verona, with 3 goals conceded, are the team that concedes the most goals in the first 15 minutes of matches in this Serie A.

Between Alberto Gilardino and Paolo Zanetti, this is their third official meeting as coaches: record of 2 victories for the Verona coach. One of the two previous encounters, Ascoli-Pro Vercelli 5-1 in August 2019 in the Coppa Italia, represents one of the two heaviest defeats for the current Nerazzurri coach in his coaching career, along with Atalanta-Genoa 5-1 in October 2024, in Serie A.

**PISA****VERONA**

Alberto Gilardino, a former player facing his old club today: the black and blue head coach made 43 appearances in the yellow and blue jersey, scoring six goals, between 2000/01 and 2001/02.

No Verona player has reached double figures in a Serie A season since 2021/22. On that occasion, three players achieved the mark: Simeone, Caprari and Barak, with 17, 12 and 11 goals, respectively.

Simone Canestrelli and Antonio Caracciolo are the two Pisa outfield players who have played every minute of the 2025/26 Serie A season so far.

Victor Nelsson is the only Verona outfield player to have played every minute of the 2025/26 Serie A season.

**TORINO****NAPOLI**

There have been 81 official meetings between the two teams in Turin: record of 31 wins for the Granata (Torino), 26 draws, and 24 victories for the Azzurri (Napoli).

A draw has been missing since October 6, 2019, a 0-0 in Serie A. In the 5 subsequent encounters, there have been 4 Napoli victories and one Torino win.

Torino are the team that has conceded the most goals in these first 6 matchdays (13): 5 of these came in the final 15 minutes of the first half, no team concedes more in this period.

Before the 3-3 draw in Rome against Lazio, Torino hadn't scored 3 goals in a Serie A match since September 20, 2024, in Verona-Torino 2-3 (Kastanos and Mosquera on target for the Venetians, Sanabria, Zapata, and Adams for the Granata).

Napoli are the third-best team in the league for points gained in the second half compared to the halftime score: +5, alongside Juventus and Roma.

One-third of Napoli's goals, 4 out of 12 total, have been scored in the first 15 minutes of the second half. No team has scored more in this period.

In the last 5 seasons, after 6 matchdays, only in 2023/24 was Napoli not first in the table: in 2021/22 they led with a perfect score, in 2022/23 they were top level on points with Milan and Atalanta, and last year they were first alone with 13 points.

Between Marco Baroni and Antonio Conte, this is their fifth meeting as coaches: in the 4 previous encounters, 2 victories for the Granata coach, 1 draw, and 1 victory for the Partenopei manager.

Marco Baroni is a former Napoli player: he played for Azzurri in the 1989/90 and 1990/91 seasons, winning the second Scudetto in Azzurri history, scoring the decisive goal on April 29, 1990, in Napoli-Lazio 1-0 (final matchday of the tournament).

Giovanni Simeone is one of the two most substituted players in this early phase of Serie A 2025/26: 6 times out of 6, same as Armand Laurienté (Sassuolo).

Giovanni Simeone is a former Napoli player, and he made 103 appearances and scored 14 goals for the team in official matches between 2022/23 and 2024/25.



TORINO



NAPOLI

A showdown between two of the top three Scottish scorers in Serie A history: Ché Adams ranks third and, before the break, scored his 10th goal; Scott McTominay is second on 13. Lewis Ferguson leads with 14.

Ché Adams is one of two players to have come on as a substitute in every match, six out of six, along with Alieu Fadera (Sassuolo).

Alessandro Buongiorno, a former player facing his old club today: he made 109 appearances and scored 4 goals for Torino in official competitions.

Frank Anguissa has scored 5 goals in the 2025 calendar year and ranks third among Napoli's scorers: McTominay leads with 10, followed by Lukaku with 8.



ROMA



INTER

The official meetings between the two teams at Roma's home total 102 – excluding the single-match Coppa Italia finals of the 2007/08 edition (2-1 Giallorossi victory) and 2009/10 (1-0 Nerazzurri success) – with a score of 40 Roma wins, 28 draws, and 34 Inter victories.

Roma haven't beaten Inter at the Olimpico since October 2, 2016, a 2-1 win in Serie A. Since then, 8 encounters in the capital with 5 Nerazzurri victories and 3 draws.

In the last 11 matches in Rome, the Nerazzurri have always scored: 23 goals from the Milan-based side. Last shutout was in the 0-0 Serie A draw on March 1, 2014.

Roma-Inter has been a cup final, both domestic and international, on 10 occasions, all concentrated in the last 35 years. In these 10 finals, some two-legged, others single matches, the player who scored the most goals (4) was Hernan Crespo; with 3 goals each were the Giallorossi De Rossi, Mancini, and Perrotta, and the Nerazzurro Julio Cruz.

Roma first in the table after 6 matchdays: this hasn't happened since the 2013/14 season, when they led Serie A with a perfect score.

Roma with 2 goals conceded: in the last 13 seasons, they've only done better once, in 2013/14 with one goal conceded at this point of the championship.

At the Olimpico, the most solid defense in Serie A 2025/26 faces off – Roma with 2 goals conceded – **against the best attack** – Inter with 17 goals scored.

Roma are one of the best three teams in the league for points gained in the second half compared to the halftime score: +5, alongside Juventus and Napoli.

Inter are the team with the most different goalscorers (9) in Serie A 2025/26.

Inter are one of the two teams in Serie A 2025/26 that concede the most goals from opposing substitutes (3), same as Atalanta.

Inter are the team that scores the most goals in Serie A 2025/26 in the first 15 minutes of play (3), but also the one that concedes the most in the final 15 minutes of matches plus stoppage time (4, therefore 50% of the total, having conceded 8 goals in 6 matchdays so far).



ROMA



INTER

There has been only one official meeting between Gian Piero Gasperini and Cristian Chivu, on May 25 of this year: Parma won 3 to 2 in Bergamo on the final matchday, three points that proved decisive for the Crociati's survival.

Gasperini, a former Inter manager facing his old club today: he coached Inter from July to September 2011, overseeing five official matches with a record of one draw and four defeats (including the Super Cup lost in August in Beijing, 1 to 2 in the derby against AC Milan).

Gasperini's heaviest defeat as a professional head coach came against Inter: in March 2017, in Serie A, when his Atalanta side fell 1 to 7 at San Siro.

Matías Soulé scored last year's winning goal for Roma against Inter at San Siro: the match ended 1 to 0 in favor of the Giallorossi.

Mile Svilar leads the way for clean sheets in this early phase of the 2025/26 Serie A season: in 4 of 6 matches the Roma goalkeeper has kept his goal unbeaten. In his last 20 league appearances, Roma have not conceded in 13.

Federico Dimarco has scored two career goals against Roma: on May 6, 2023 (Roma against Inter, 0 to 2) and on October 1, 2022 (Inter against Roma, 1 to 2).

Nicolò Barella is the player, among those at Italian clubs, with the most official appearances in the 2025 calendar year: 44, and he also leads for minutes played (3,300). The top four places in this ranking are all occupied by Inter players: he is followed by Bastoni with 42 matches, Carlos Augusto with 41, and Dimarco with 39.



COMO



JUVENTUS

In Como there have been 16 meetings between the two teams: 3 Como victories, 4 draws, and 9 Bianconeri (Juventus) wins.

Como's last victory over the Bianconeri at Sinigaglia was in the Coppa Italia, January 29, 1986, 1-0 with the decisive goal from Dan Corneliusson. The coaches were Rino Marchesi for the home side and Giovanni Trapattoni for Juventus.

In the league, Como haven't beaten Juventus since January 20, 1952, 2-0. The goals were scored by Giovetti and Baldini with – before that match – Como second-to-last in the table and the Bianconeri at the top.

Como on 9 points after 6 matchdays: in the three-points-for-a-win era (since 1994/95), this has never happened before. 8 points were earned in last season's championship at this point, while 4 in 2003/2004.

Juventus are one of the two teams still unbeaten in Serie A 2025/26, along with Atalanta. The Bianconeri haven't lost in the league since last April 23, 0-1 at Parma.

Juventus unbeaten in the first 6 matchdays: this is the third time in the last four seasons. The only exception was the 2023/2024 season, in which they had recorded one defeat.

Juventus lead for goals scored by substitutes after 6 rounds of Serie A 2025/26: 4 Bianconeri goals from players who entered during the match.

Juventus are one of the best three teams in the league for points gained in the second half compared to the halftime score: +5, alongside Napoli and Roma.

Juventus prolific in the final stages of matches: out of 9 total goals, 4 have been scored by the Bianconeri between the 76th and 90th minutes including stoppage time.

Between Cesc Fabregas and Igor Tudor, this is their first official encounter.

Maximo Perrone is the third Como player this season to have scored his first Serie A goal, after Jayden Addai and Marc-Oliver Kempf.

Michele Di Gregorio has collected 3 clean sheets in Serie A 2025/26 (same as Maignan). Only Svilar (4) has done better than the Juventus goalkeeper.

**CAGLIARI****BOLOGNA**

There have been 39 official meetings between the sides in Sardinia: 18 home wins for Cagliari, 14 draws, and 7 victories for Bologna.

The most recent draw **between the teams in Cagliari was on 22 April 2018, 0 to 0 in Serie A**; in the six subsequent meetings, there have been five home wins and one Bologna victory last year.

In the last eight Serie A encounters played in Cagliari, the hosts have lost only once: 0 to 2 on 29 October 2024. Completing the record are five Cagliari wins and two draws.

Cagliari are on eight points after six matchdays, a mark not reached since the 2019/20 season, when the Sardinian club had ten thanks to three wins, one draw, and two defeats.

This is the first official meeting between Fabio Pisacane and Vincenzo Italiano.

As a player, **Vincenzo Italiano made nine appearances against Cagliari and scored twice: on 24 March 2003** (Verona against Cagliari, 1 to 1, in Serie B) and on 7 December 2003 (Cagliari against Verona, 1 to 1, in Serie B).

On the previous matchday, **Gennaro Borrelli scored his first Serie A goal** and the 38th of his professional career in official competitions.

Riccardo Orsolini has scored five goals against Cagliari, his third-favourite opponent after Lecce and Empoli (six goals against each). Three of those five were scored in Sardinia.

On the previous matchday, Nikola Moro scored his fourth Serie A goal for Bologna; all of these have come at home and in first halves.

Only Leo Østigård (4) has received more yellow cards than Adam Obert (3) in Serie A 2025/26.

No player has suffered more fouls than Nicolò Cambiaghi (20) in Serie A 2025/26; he is matched only by Koné of Roma and Zaccagni of Lazio.

**GENOA****PARMA**

There have been 27 previous meetings between the two teams at Marassi with a record of 11 Genoa victories, 10 draws, and 6 Parma wins.

Genoa have scored at home against the Emilians for 12 consecutive matches (19 goals total, with the last shutout in Genoa-Parma 0-1 in the Coppa Italia on September 23, 1998).

In the last 5 encounters at Marassi, on 4 occasions at least 3 goals were scored. The only exception was January 12, 2025 (Genoa-Parma 1-0).

Genoa without victories after 6 rounds of Serie A 2025/26, like Pisa, Verona, and Fiorentina. The Grifone's last victory was the 3-1 win at Bologna on May 24 of this year. **It's been since the 2017/18 season that Genoa hadn't started a Serie A campaign without winning in the first 6 matchdays.** At the end of that season, the Rossoblù survived by totaling 41 points and finishing in 12th position.

Facing each other are two of the four worst attacks in Serie A 2025/26: 3 goals scored each (same as Pisa). Only Verona have scored fewer with 2 goals.

Parma are the Serie A 2025/26 team with the fewest goalscorers after 6 matchdays: only 2, same as Verona and Pisa.

Between Patrick Vieira and Carlos Cuesta, this is their first official encounter.

Patrick Vieira faced Parma as a player 6 times with 5 victories and 1 draw in his favor.

Patrick Vieira, as a player, scored a decisive goal against Parma on September 24, 2005: Parma-Juventus 1-2 (Ducali lead with Delvecchio in the 14th minute, Juventus comeback with Camoranesi and Patrick Vieira).

Jeff Ekhator has scored his second goal in Serie A, and both goals came on the same day, October 5.


ATALANTA

LAZIO

In the 66 official meetings in Bergamo between the two teams, the record stands at 26 Nerazzurri (Atalanta) wins, 29 draws, and 11 Lazio victories.

Lazio have scored in Bergamo for 7 consecutive matches, with a total of 13 goals. The last time without a goal for the Biancocelesti was on December 17, 2018, a 1-0 Atalanta victory.

Between the two teams in Bergamo, only one draw in the last 8 matches: on October 30, 2021, Atalanta-Lazio 2-2 (Zapata and De Roon for the Bergamaschi; Pedro and Immobile for Lazio). The remaining record: 4 Atalanta wins and 3 Biancocelesti victories.

Atalanta are one of the two teams in Serie A 2025/26 that concede the most goals from opposing substitutes. 3 goals conceded by the Bergamaschi, same as Inter.

Atalanta remain one of the two teams still unbeaten in Serie A 2025/26, along with Juventus. The Nerazzurri haven't lost in the league since last May 25, when Parma won 3-2 at the Bergamo stadium.

Atalanta unbeaten after 6 rounds: the last time this happened was in the 2022/23 season.

Atalanta are the team that has scored the most in the 15 minutes before halftime, including stoppage time: 4 (out of 11 total) goals scored by the Bergamaschi in this phase of the match.

Between Ivan Juric and Maurizio Sarri, 11 official meetings: 5 victories for the Lazio coach, 4 draws, and 2 victories for the Croatian manager.

Ivan Juric faced Lazio 6 times as a player with a record of 1 win for the Croatian manager, 1 draw, and 4 Biancocelesti victories.

Positive record for Maurizio Sarri's teams in October: with an average of 1.83 points per match, in this month the Biancocelesti coach's score is 44 victories, 13 draws, and 18 defeats in 75 matches played with Italian clubs only.

Danilo Cataldi scored his first career penalty in official club matches against Torino, before the break.



ATALANTA



LAZIO

Matteo Cancellieri scored the first brace of his career on his 100th Serie A appearance.

Lazar Samardzic has scored seven goals for Atalanta in official competitions, five of them at home (including the last four in a row in Bergamo).



MILAN



FIORENTINA

There have been 92 meetings between the two sides at San Siro: 53 Milan wins, 24 draws, and 15 Fiorentina victories.

Fiorentina's very first match in the single-division Serie A came away to Milan: September 20, 1931, a 1 to 1 draw, with goals by Magnozzi for the Rossoneri and Prendato for the Viola.

Fiorentina have not won in Milan since September 29, 2019: Milan against Fiorentina 1 to 3 (Leao for Milan; Pulgar, Castrovilli and Ribéry for Fiorentina). Since that match, Milan have recorded four wins and there has been one draw.

Since Serie A began awarding three points for a win, the leading scorers in Milan against Fiorentina matches at San Siro are, in order: Shevchenko (6 goals), Batistuta and Enrico Chiesa (5 each), and Rafael Leao (3).

On August 25, 1996, Fiorentina won their first Italian Super Cup at San Siro against Milan, prevailing 2 to 1 thanks to a Gabriel Omar Batistuta brace after Savicevic had equalized. It was the first time that the Coppa Italia holders defeated the reigning Italian champions in the Super Cup final.

Out of 30 possible substitutions after six matchdays, Milan have made the fewest in Serie A: 24.

Fiorentina are winless after six Serie A matchdays, something that had not happened since the 1977/78 season. Their most recent league victory dates back to May 25 of this year, 3 to 2 in Udine.

Allegri and Pioli are set for their 23rd official meeting: Stefano Pioli leads the head-to-head by 15 wins to 2, with 6 draws completing the record.

Stefano Pioli, a former Rossoneri manager: the Italian coach led Milan from October 2019 to June 2024, taking charge of 240 official matches with a record of 130 wins, 58 draws, and 52 defeats, and winning the league title in 2021/22.

This will be Stefano Pioli's 500th Serie A match as a head coach: his record stands at 217 wins, 135 draws, and 147 defeats. His debut dates back to September 10, 2006, Torino against Parma 1 to 1, as Parma head coach.

Mike Maignan has kept three clean sheets in Serie A 2025/26 (level with Michele Di Gregorio). Only Svilar has more, with four clean sheets.



CREMONESE



UDINESE

The previous meetings between the two teams at the Zini are 21: 10 Grigiorossi (Cremona) victories, 8 draws, and 3 Bianconeri (Udinese) wins.

In the 5 previous meetings in Lombardy at Serie A level, Udinese have never won: 4 Friulani draws and a 0-2 defeat in 1984/85.

Overall, Udinese haven't won in Cremona since October 7, 1990, a 1-0 victory in Serie B with a decisive goal from Francesco Dell'Anno, with coaches Tarcisio Burgnich for the home side and Rino Marchesi for the Bianconeri.

Cremonese are the team that has faced the most shots (107) and attempted the fewest (35) after the first 6 matchdays of the championship.

Between Davide Nicola and Kosta Runjaic, this is their third official meeting: double victory for the Bianconero coach in both Udinese-Cagliari matches in last year's Serie A.

Davide Nicola is a former Udinese coach: he managed the Friulani from November 2018 to March 2019, totaling 15 official matches with a record of 4 victories, 4 draws, and 7 defeats.

Positive record for Davide Nicola's teams in October: with an average of 1.41 points per match, in this month the Grigiorosso coach's score is 18 victories, 11 draws, and 17 defeats in 46 matches played.

In the last matchday, Federico Bonazzoli scored his second goal in this championship. Both goals were scored at San Siro against Milan and Inter. Also in the 2022/23 season, a Cremonese player scored an away goal against both the Rossoneri and the Nerazzurri: on that occasion it was David Okereke.

Christian Kabasele scored his fourth Serie A goal in an Udinese shirt in the last matchday, and all these goals have come at their home stadium.