

# The Pattern: Now & In the Future

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# IFHA Basic Mission



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“The organisation of competitions to select the best horses in order to improve the quality of breeding”

**IFHA website**



# International Agreement on Racing and Breeding

## Article 1:

### Recognition and Categorisation of Quality Races





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VINTAGE CROP winning the  
Melbourne Cup, in 1993

# Origins of the European Pattern



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- 1965 Duke of Norfolk – Pattern of Racing Committee
- 1967 Lord Carnarvon creates a prototype British domestic Pattern
- 1970 British, French and Irish authorities agree a balanced system of races for elite horses.
- 1971 European Pattern Committee established
- 1973 Italy and Germany join Committee
- 1995 Norway, Sweden and Denmark join as Associate Members
- 2010 Turkey joins as an Associate Member



Stockholm Cup International,  
Group 3, Sweden.

# Aims of the European Pattern Committee



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1. To provide a co-ordinated programme of quality races in each age, sex and distance category within the member countries.
2. To achieve a balance of Group races within the European Pattern so that there are more Group 3 races than Group 2, more Group 2 races than Group 1, and the total number of Group 3 races exceeds the combined total of Group 2 and Group 1 races.

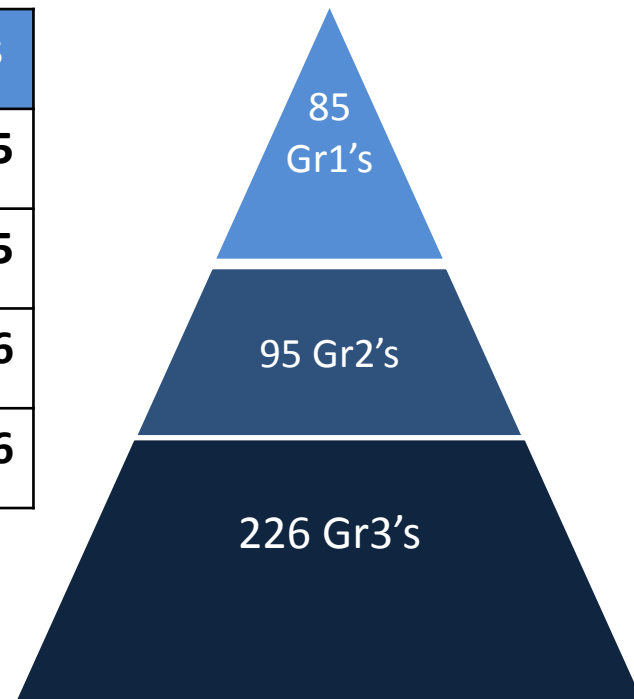


# The European Pattern 2014



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	GB	FR	IRE	ITY	GER	Other	Totals
Gr 1	33	27	12	6	7	0	<b>85</b>
Gr 2	45	26	7	6	9	2	<b>95</b>
Gr 3	68	58	45	18	28	9	<b>226</b>
Totals	<b>146</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>406</b>





# Development of World Rankings/Classifications



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- 1977 First International Classifications published (3yo's and upwards)
- 1985 Expanded to include other European Countries
- 1995 North American horses included
- 1996 Japan added
- 2003 Hong Kong, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, South Africa and Dubai added
- 2012 South American horses added, which brings the membership number to 20 countries
- 2013 LONGINES sponsor the Rankings



LONGINES sponsor the  
World Thoroughbred  
Racehorse Rankings (WTTR).

# Rankings in Other Sports



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*Rolex Rankings are sanctioned by:*



# Black Type in Sales Catalogues



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**CHICQUITA (IRE)**  
(2010)  
**Bay Filly**

Montjeu (IRE)	Sadler's Wells
	Floripedes
Prudenzia (IRE)	Dansili
(2005)	Platonic

Northern Dancer
Fairy Bridge
Top Ville
Toute Cy
Danehill
Hasili
Zafonic
Puce

**E.B.F. Nominated.**

**CHICQUITA (IRE):** **winner** at 3, 2013 and £377,472 viz. Darley Irish Oaks, **Gr.1**, placed 2nd Prix de Diane Longines, **Gr.1**, only 4 starts to date.

## 1st dam

**PRUDENZIA (IRE):** **2 wins** at 2 and 3 in France and £29,816 inc. Prix de la Seine, **L.**, placed, dam of 4 foals; 1 runner; **1 winner**.

**CHICQUITA (IRE)** (10 f. by Montjeu (IRE)); see above.  
Sinnamary (IRE) (11 f. by Galileo (IRE)); 2-y-o unraced to date.  
She also has a yearling filly by Galileo (IRE) which realised €1,000,000 in 2013 and a colt foal by Invincible Spirit (IRE).

## 2nd dam

**PLATONIC (GB):** placed twice at 2 and 3; also **winner** at 4 in France and placed 4 times; dam of 8 foals; 4 runners; **3 winners**.

**PACIFIQUE (IRE)** (f. by Montjeu (IRE)): **3 wins** at 3 in France and £94,095 inc. Prix de Lutece, **Gr.3** and Prix Madame Jean Couturie, **L.**, placed twice viz. 2nd Prix Minerve, **Gr.3** and 3rd Qatar Prix Chaudenay, **Gr.2**.

**PRUDENZIA (IRE)** (f. by Dansili (GB)): see above.

Hatton Flight (GB): **9 wins** and £84,078 and placed 8 times.  
Paratonnerre (GB) 2-y-o filly by Montjeu (IRE); unraced to date.  
She also has a yearling filly by Dansili (GB).

## 3rd dam

**PUCE (GB)** (by Darshaan): **3 wins** at 3 and 4 and £74,843 inc. Harvest S., **L.**, placed 2nd Premio Giovanni Falck, **L.** and 3rd Park Hill S., **Gr.3**; dam of 11 foals; 9 runners; **8 winners** inc.:

**PONGEE (GB):** **6 wins** at 3 and 4 and £165,480 inc. Bet365 Lancashire Oaks, **Gr.2** and EBF Joan Westbrook Pinnacle S., **L.**, placed inc. 2nd Aston Upthorpe Yorkshire Oaks, **Gr.1** and Vodafone Fillies' S., **Gr.3**; dam of **winners** inc.:

**Poplin (GB):** **winner** at 2 and placed 6 times inc. 2nd TRM Severals S., **L.**  
**LION SANDS (GB):** **4 wins** to 2012 at home and in U.A.E. and £100,486 inc. betinternet.com Fred Archer S., **L.** and Grove Stud Farm Noel Murless S., **L.**, placed 3rd Totepool September S., **Gr.3** and Coutts Glorious S., **Gr.3**.

**Pukka (IRE):** **3 wins**, £30,830 inc. **2 wins** at 2 and 3, 2nd H2O July S., **L.**  
Petit Montjeu (GB): **winner** at 3, 2013 in Germany and placed

## 4th dam

**Souk (IRE):** **2 wins** at 2 and 3 and placed viz. 3rd Reference Point Sceptre S., **L.**; dam of 16 foals; 12 runners; **11 winners** inc.:

**PUCE (GB):** see above.

**Golden Quest (GB):** **5 wins** and £98,613, 2nd Goodwood Cup, **Gr.2**.

Shouk (GB): **winner** at 3 and placed 5 times; dam of **winners** inc.:

**ALEXANDROVA (IRE):** **Champion 3yr old filly in England & Ireland**

**in 2006, 4 wins** at 2 and 3 and £652,264 inc. Darley Irish Oaks, **Gr.1**.

**MAGICAL ROMANCE (IRE):** **3 wins** at 2 inc. Cheveley Park S., **Gr.1**.

Stabled in Barn P Box 10



# The “Blue Book” 2014



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# Cataloguing Standards Information 2013



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Country	2013 Part	No. of foals	No. of starters	No. of flat races	No. of Graded Races	No. of Black type races (incl. graded)
Argentina	I	8,167	11,990	5,524	155	220
Australia	I	12,810	30,489	19,534	273	590
Austria	III	12	165	45		
Belgium	III	17	597	177		
Brazil	I	2,726	5,572	3,967	103	173
Canada	I	1,375	5,444	3,675	43	205
Chile	I	1,698	4,188	4,892	64	96
Czech Rep.	III	239	1,255	307		
Dominican Rep.	III	63	229	342		
Ecuador	III	75	219	356		
France	I	4,371	9,079	4,380	111	239
Germany	I	786	2,390	1,253	44	92
Great Britain	I	4,420	10,805	6,032	146	289
Hong Kong	II		1,283	769	9	34
Hungary	III	126	463	308		
India	II	1,654	4,442	3,538		97
Ireland	I	7,757	7,114	1,104	63	114
Italy	I	650	3,426	2,828	30	88
Jamaica	III	360	961	810		
Japan	I	6,797	23,528	15,992	124	222
Korea	III	1,274	3,479	1,904		
Macau	II		577	468		17
Malaysia	II	25	1,167	696		11
Mauritius	III		432	336		
Mexico	III	302	995	1,310		
Netherlands	III	2	85	31		
New Zealand	I	4,083	5,481	2,894	80	145
Panama	II	186	985	1,389		35
Peru	I	622	1,885	1,896	34	54
Poland	III	310	517	316		
Puerto Rico	II	350	1,283	1,766		36
Qatar	III	25	287	231		3
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	III	1,425	1,671	607		
Scandinavia	II	380	2,436	1,240	8	28
Singapore	II		1,457	994	2	37
Slovakia	III	22	416	125		
South Africa	I	3,175	7,036	3,809	122	199
Spain	III	141	850	433		5
Switzerland	III	26	416	183		1
Trinidad & Tobago	III	129	425	386		
Turkey	II	1,650	3,001	2,546	3	61
United Arab Emirates	I		720	203	26	34
United States of America	I	21,275	53,897	42,979	455	1,612
Uruguay	II	1,850	2,109	1,164		40
Venezuela	II	1,217	3,074	2,746		97
Zimbabwe	II	61	312	164		15
		92,633	218,632	146,649	1,895	4,889

# International Cataloguing Standards



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## **PART I:**

- First 3 in Group / Listed Races receive Black Type
- Winners receive Upper Case Black Type
- Placed receive Lower Case Black Type
- Group Designator Shown after Black Type

## **PART II:**

- First 3 receive Black Type
- No Group Designator Shown

## **PART III:**

- No Black Type attached
- Group / Grades only recognised in that country

## **PART IV:**

- National Hunt
- Races listed in Italic form
- Regional preference whether black type used





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# Ranking Groups in various Countries/Regions

- European Pattern Race Committee
- TOBA American Grades Stakes Committee
- Jockey Club of Canada
- Asian Racing Federation\*
- OSAF\*



\* These organisations review lists submitted by their members

# Criteria for Quality Control



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1. Ratings of first four horses
2. Shape of overall pattern
3. Field sizes
4. Prize money
5. Overall quality of Field
6. Other Black Type races in country

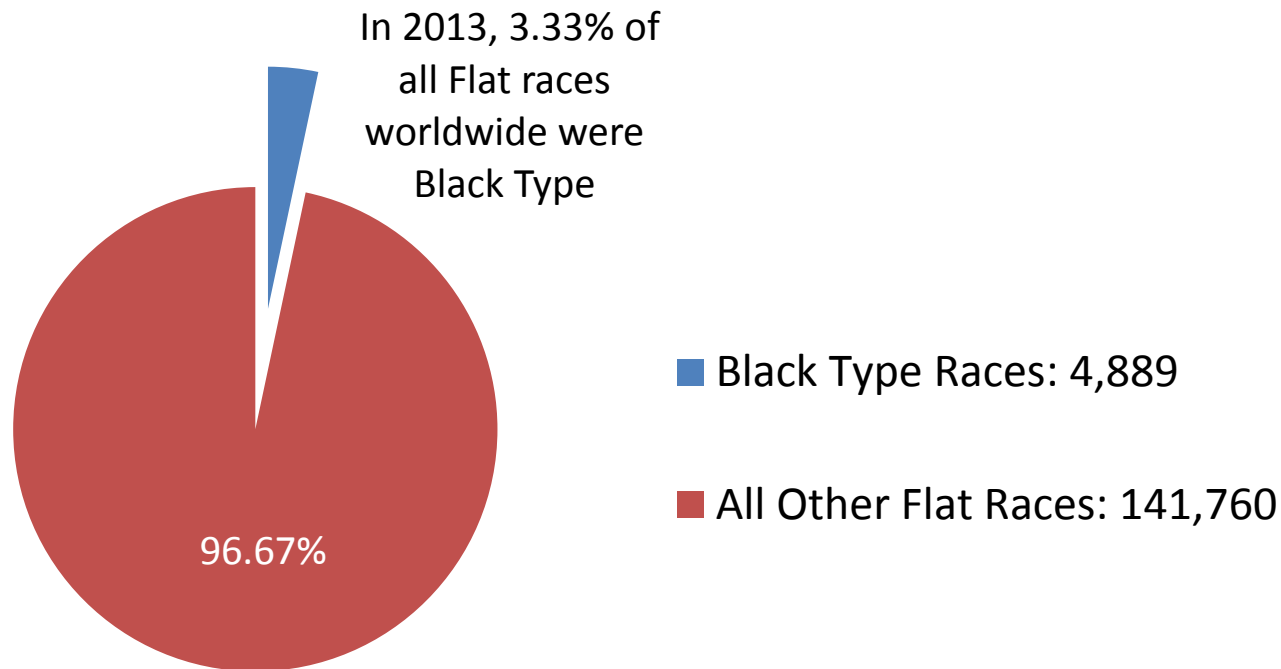




# Number of Black Type Races 2013



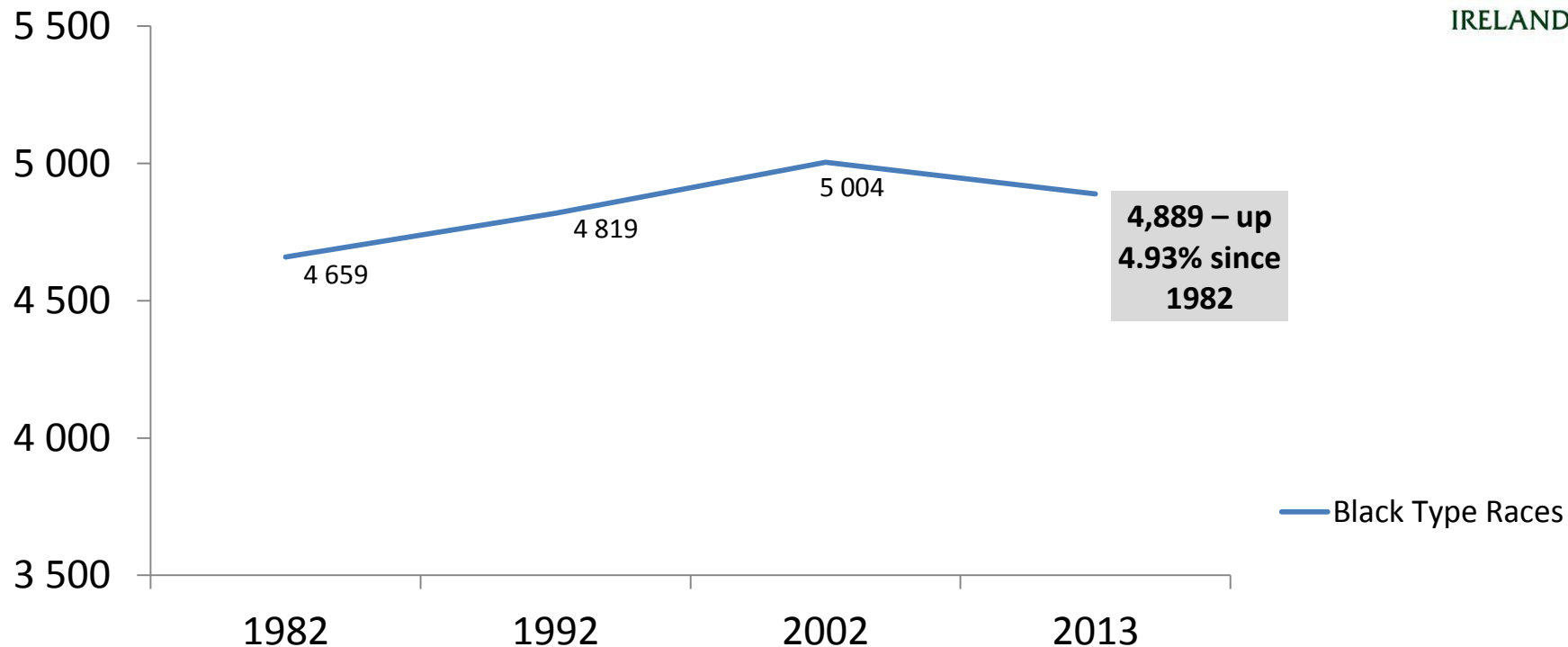
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# Number of Black Type Races Worldwide 1982-2013



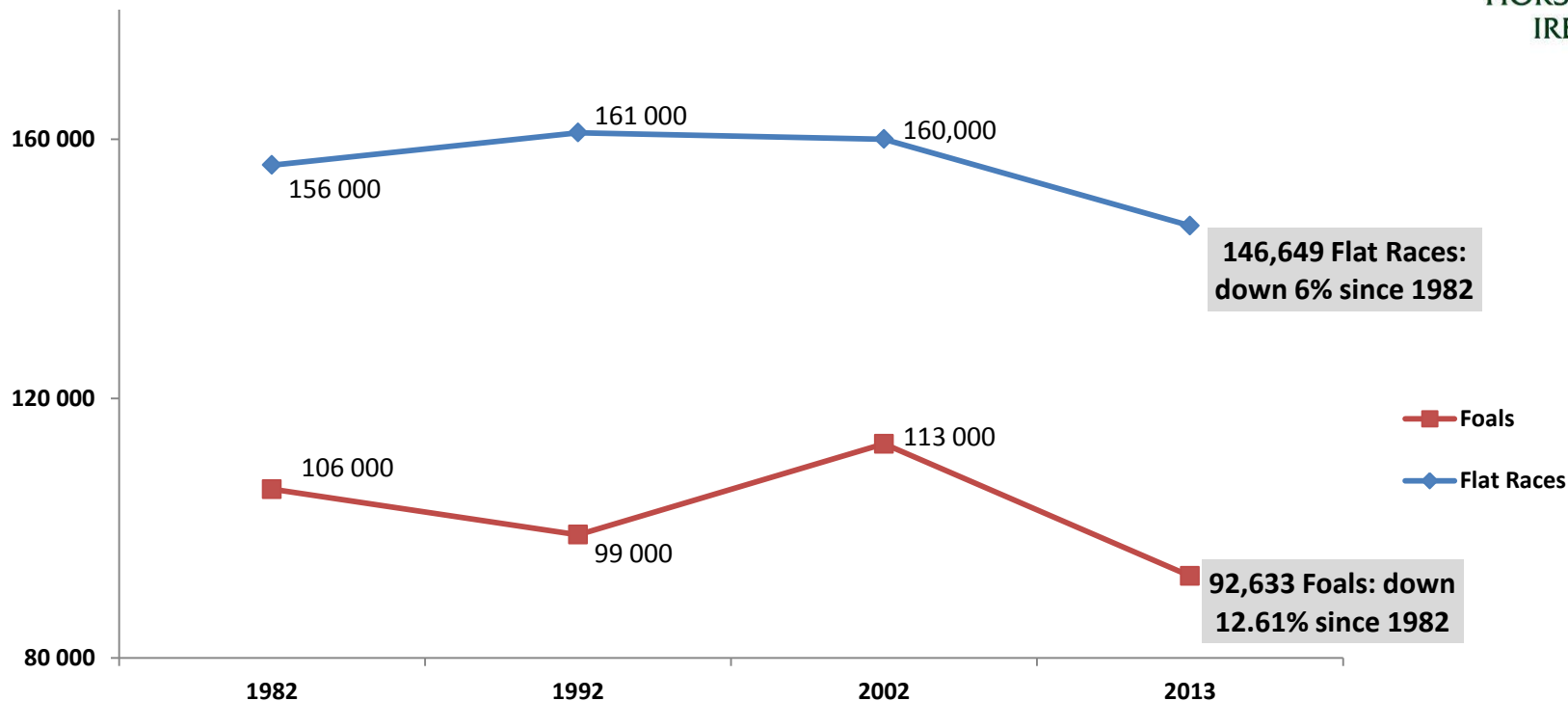
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# Trends in Foal Crop and Flat Races 1982-2013



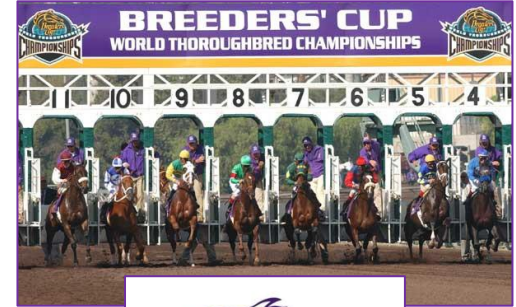
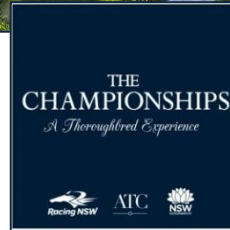
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# Can the Pattern Facilitate Commercial Demands?



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# 2014 Group/Graded Races, Analysed by Country



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## 2014 GROUP/GRADED RACES

Country	G1	%	G2	%	G3	%	Totals	
ARG	40	9.58%	53	9.33%	62	6.88%	155	8.03%
AUS	71	15.46%	88	15.49%	141	15.64%	300	15.56%
BRZ	29	6.31%	32	5.63%	43	4.77%	104	5.39%
CAN	4	0.87%	16	2.81%	23	2.55%	43	2.23%
CHI	17	3.70%	23	4.04%	23	2.55%	63	3.26%
FR	27	5.88%	26	4.57%	58	6.43%	111	5.75%
GB	33	7.18%	45	7.92%	67	7.43%	145	7.52%
GER	7	1.52%	9	1.58%	27	2.99%	43	2.23%
HK	6	1.30%	3	0.52%			9	0.46%
IRE	12	2.61%	7	1.23%	45	4.99%	64	3.31%
ITY	6	1.30%	6	1.05%	18	1.99%	30	1.55%
JPN	23	5.01%	36	6.33%	67	7.43%	126	6.53%
NZ	22	4.79%	21	3.69%	39	4.32%	82	4.25%
PERU	9	1.96%	11	1.93%	15	1.66%	35	1.81%
SAF	34	7.40%	39	6.86%	49	5.43%	122	6.32%
SCAN					8	0.88%	8	0.41%
SIN	2	0.43%					2	0.10%
TUR			2	0.35%	1	0.11%	3	0.15%
UAE	7	1.52%	11	1.93%	10	1.10%	28	1.45%
USA	110	23.96%	140	24.64%	205	22.75%	455	23.59%

	459	100%	568	100%	901	100%	1928	100.00%
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% - refers to all Group/Graded Races in Part I

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# World's Top Races 2013

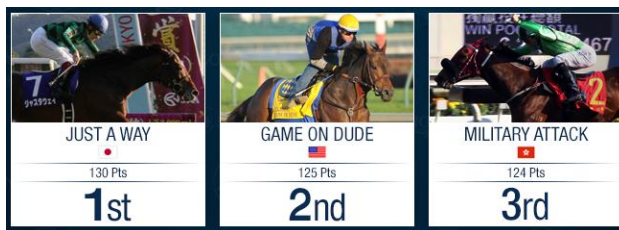
THE WORLD'S TOP 50 GROUP/GRADE ONE RACES for 3yo's and upwards

RACE	Distance	Cat	Track	3yo	2011	2012	2013	2011-2013
Non Calendar Season Countries					2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2010/11-2012/13
1	Champion	G1 2000	T I	ASCOT GB	125.50	129.75	121.50	125.58
2	Arc de Triomphe	G1 2400	T L	LONGCHAMP FR	126.25	119.75	125.75	123.92
3	Jacques Le Marois	G1 1600	T M	DEAUVILLE FR	122.00	124.25	124.75	123.67
4	Queen Elizabeth II	G1 1600	T M	ASCOT GB	125.75	123.00	121.00	123.25
5	Breeders' Cup Mile	G1 1600	T M	VARIOUS USA	122.00	126.25	121.00	123.08
6	Breeders' Cup Turf	G1 2400	T L	VARIOUS USA	122.00	122.25	124.25	122.83
7	Breeders' Cup Classic	G1 2000	D I	VARIOUS USA	122.25	122.00	124.00	122.75
8	Sussex	G1 1600	T M	GOODWOOD GB	125.00	121.00	122.00	122.67
9=	King George VI & Queen Elizabeth	G1 2400	T L	ASCOT GB	120.75	124.75	122.25	122.58
9=	Eclipse	G1 2010	T I	SANDOWN GB	122.75	123.25	121.75	122.58
11	Prince of Wales's	G1 2000	T I	ASCOT GB	122.50	122.75	122.25	122.50
12	Queen Anne	G1 1600	T M	ASCOT GB	123.25	124.25	118.75	122.08
13	Ganay	G1 2100	T I	LONGCHAMP FR	124.00	122.00	118.75	121.58
14	Japan Cup	G1 2400	T L	TOKYO JPN	120.75	124.25	119.25	121.42
15=	International	G1 2080	T I	YORK GB	115.75	126.75	121.50	121.33
15=	Dubai World Cup	G1 2000	A I	MEYDAN UAE	121.50	123.25	119.25	121.33
17	VRC Lightning S	G1 1000	T S	FLEMINGTON AUS	120.50	124.25	118.50	121.08
18	Irish Champion	G1 2000	T I	LEOPARDSTOWN IRE	119.50	122.50	120.75	120.92
19	Takarazuka Kinen	G1 2200	T L	HANSHIN JPN	120.50	121.25	120.75	120.83
20	Tenno Sho (Autumn)	G1 2000	T I	TOKYO JPN	121.75	121.25	119.25	120.75
21	Arima Kinen	G1 2500	T L	NAKAYAMA JPN	120.25	121.75	119.75	120.58
22	Ispahan	G1 1850	T M	LONGCHAMP FR	120.25	123.00	117.50	120.25
23	Lockinge	G1 1600	T M	NEWBURY GB	120.75	124.75	114.75	120.08
24=	Saint-Cloud	G1 2400	T L	SAINT-CLOUD FR	121.00	121.75	117.25	120.00
24=	Dubai Sheema Classic	G1 2400	T L	MEYDAN UAE	117.25	122.50	120.25	120.00
26	W S Cox Plate	G1 2040	T I	MOONEE VALLEY AUS	121.00	118.25	120.25	119.83
27	St James's Palace	G1 1600	T M	ASCOT GB	123.75	114.75	120.00	119.50
28	Hong Kong Cup	G1 2000	T I	SHA TIN HK	120.25	119.50	118.50	119.42
29=	Grosser Preis von Baden	G1 2400	T L	BADEN BADEN GER	118.75	121.50	117.50	119.25
29=	T. J. Smith S	G1 1200	T S	RANDWICK AUS	120.50	115.00	122.25	119.25
31	Hong Kong Mile	G1 1600	T M	SHA TIN HK	117.88	120.00	119.75	119.21
32=	Moulin	G1 1600	T M	LONGCHAMP FR	120.00	118.75	118.25	119.00
32=	AP QE II Cup	G1 2000	T I	SHA TIN HK	117.75	117.25	122.00	119.00
34	Whitney H	G1 1800	D M	SARATOGA USA	116.00	119.75	121.00	118.92
35	Kentucky Derby	G1 2000	D I	CHURCHILL USA	118.50	122.50	115.25	118.75



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2013 Ranking	Race Name	Prizemoney
1st	Champion Stks, Ascot	Stg£1.3 million (€1.6 million)
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Arc de Triomphe	€4.8 million
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Jacques Le Marois	€600,000
14 <sup>th</sup>	Japan Cup	US\$5.2 million (€3.75 million)
=15th	Dubai World Cup	US\$10 million (€7.2 million)



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## THE LONGINES WORLD'S BEST RACEHORSE RANKINGS

for 3yos and upwards which raced between 1st January and 7th April 2014

RANKING	RATING	Cat	urfac	Horse	Age	YOF	Sex	Owner	Trainer
1	130	M	T	JUST A WAY (JPN)	5	2009	H	Akatsuki Yamatoya	Naosuke Sugai - JPN
2	125	I	D	GAME ON DUDE (USA)	7	2007	G	Diamond Pride LLC, Lanni Family Trust, Mercedes Stable LLC & B Schiappa	Bob Baffert - USA
3	124	I	T	MILITARY ATTACK (IRE) (ex Rave)	6	2008	G	Mr & Mrs Steven Lo Kit Sing	John Moore - HK
4	123	I	A	AFRICAN STORY (GB)	7	2007	G	Godolphin	Saeed bin Suroor - UAE
4	123	M	T	AKEED MOFEED (GB)	5	2009	H	Pan Sutong	Richard Gibson - HK
4	123	M	D	WILL TAKE CHARGE (USA)	4	2010	C	Willis D Horton & Three Chimneys Farm LLC	D Wayne Lukas - USA
7	122	M	D	CALIFORNIA CHROME (USA)	3	2011	C	Steven Coburn & Martin Perry	Art Sherman - USA
8	121	I	T	KIZUNA (JPN)	4	2010	C	Shinji Maeda	Shozo Sasaki - JPN
8	121	S	T	LANKAN RUPEE (AUS)	4	2009	G	Teeley Assets Ltd Syndicate	Mick Price - AUS
8	121	M	D	LEA (USA)	5	2009	H	Claiborne Farm & Adele B Dilschneider	William I Mott - USA
11	120	E	T	GOLD SHIP (JPN)	5	2009	H	Eiichi Kobayashi	Naosuke Sugai - JPN
12	119	M	T	GOLD-FUN (IRE)	5	2009	G	Pan Sutong	Richard Gibson - HK
12	119	M	D	PALACE MALICE (USA)	4	2010	C	Dogwood Stable	Todd Pletcher - USA

# Thank You