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## **ALL-IRELAND FOOTBALL QUARTER-FINAL BONANZA**

Leinster guaranteed to have at least one representative in the GAA Football All-Ireland Senior Championship Semi-finals...Kerry bidding to reach the semi-finals for the 11<sup>th</sup> successive year...Down in the last eight for the first time under the new championship system....Roscommon trying to make the last four for the first time since 1991...Cork attempting to maintain a hundred per cent quarter-final record...Dublin trying to put two successive nightmare quarter-final memories behind them...Tyrone trying to reach the semi-final for a third successive year...those are among the headline attractions which will ensure big crowds for the quarter-finals in Croke Park on Saturday and Sunday next.

The Kildare v Meath clash is the only same province tie which guarantees Leinster at least one representative in the semi-finals.

The weekend programme is as follows:

- Saturday: Down v Kerry, 2.0; Dublin v Tyrone, 4.0 (Both in Croke Park)
- Sunday: Cork v Roscommon, 2.0; Kildare v Meath, 4.0 (Both in Croke Park)

The quarter-final draw has also cleared the way for the semi-final pairings which will be as follows:

- August 22: Roscommon/Cork v Tyrone/Dublin
- August 29: Kildare/Meath v Kerry/Down

### **DOWN v KERRY**

They meet in the championship for the first time since 1991 when Down won an All-Ireland semi-final by 2-9 to 0-8 on their way to winning a first title since 1968. Down also beat Kerry in the 1960 All-Ireland final, the 1961 All-Ireland semi-final and the 1968 All-Ireland final.

This will be Down's first appearance in the All-Ireland quarter-final whereas Kerry have appeared in every quarter-final since the introduction of the new championship system in 2001. They have yet to lose a quarter-final.

### **2010 Championship**

#### ***Down***

Down 1-15 Donegal 2-10 (After extra-time)  
Tyrone 0-14 Down 0-10 (Ulster semi-final)  
Down 1-14 Longford 1-10 (Qualifier Round 2)  
Down 1-12 Offaly 1-10 (Qualifier Round 3)  
Down 3-20 Sligo 0-10 (Qualifier Round 4)  
Average For: 1-15: Average Against: 1-10

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Kerry 2-18 Tipperary 2-6  
Kerry 0-15 Cork 0-15  
Kerry 1-15 Cork 1-14 (after extra-time)  
Kerry 1-17 Limerick 1-14 (Munster final)  
Average For: 1-17; Average Against: 1-13

### **Previous Championships Clashes**

1991: Down 2-9 Kerry 0-8 (All-Ireland semi-final)  
1968: Down 2-12 Kerry 1-13 (All-Ireland final)  
1961: Down 1-12 Kerry 0-9 (All-Ireland semi-final)  
1960: Down 2-10 Kerry 0-8 (All-Ireland final)

### **How They Fared in Previous Quarter-finals**

#### ***Kerry***

2009: Kerry 1-24 Dublin 1-7  
2008: Kerry 1-21 Galway 1-16  
2007: Kerry 1-12 Monaghan 1-11  
2006: Kerry 3-15 Armagh 1-13  
2005: Kerry 2-15 Mayo 0-18  
2004: Kerry 1-15 Dublin 1-8  
2003: Kerry 1-21 Roscommon 3-10  
2002: Kerry 2-17 Galway 1-12  
2001: Kerry 2-12 Dublin 1-12 (replay)  
2001: Kerry 1-14 Dublin 2-11 (draw)  
Played 10, Won 9, Drew 1.

Down are appearing in the quarter-final for the first time.

### **DUBLIN v TYRONE**

They have met five times in the championship (all since 1984) with each having won two while there was one draw (2005). Dublin won in 1984 and 1995 while Tyrone prevailed in 2005 and 2008.

They last met in a competitive clash in the Allianz GAA Football National League in April when Dublin won by 2-14 to 1-11 in Omagh. Dublin led by 2-10 to 0-7 at half-time and while Tyrone cut the lead to four points (2-10 to 1-9) twelve minutes into the second half, it was the visitors who finished the stronger.

Dublin have played in eleven All-Ireland quarter-finals, winning three, drawing three and losing five while Tyrone have won four, drawn one and lost three of their eight quarter-finals.

### **2010 Championship**

Dublin 2-16 Wexford 0-15 (Leinster quarter-final - After extra-time)  
Meath 5-9 Dublin 0-13 (Leinster semi-final)

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Dublin 1-21 Tipperary 1-13 (Qualifier Round 2)  
Dublin 0-14 Armagh 0-11 (Qualifier Round 3)  
Dublin 2-14 Louth 0-13 (Qualifier Round 4)  
Average For: 1-16 Average Against: 1-13  
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Tyrone 2-14 Antrim 1-13 (Ulster quarter-final)  
Tyrone 0-14 Down 0-10 (Ulster semi-final)  
Tyrone 1-14 Monaghan 0-7 (Ulster final)  
Average For: 1-14 Average Against: 0-11

### **Previous Championship Clashes**

2008: Tyrone 3-14 Dublin 1-8 (All-Ireland quarter-final)  
2005: Tyrone 2-18 Dublin 1-14 (All-Ireland quarter-final replay)  
2005: Tyrone 1-14 Dublin 1-14 (All-Ireland quarter-final)  
1995: Dublin 1-10 Tyrone 0-12 (All-Ireland final)  
1984: Dublin 2-11 Tyrone 0-8 (All-Ireland semi-final)

### **Previous All-Ireland quarter-final appearances**

#### ***Dublin***

2009: Kerry 1-24 Dublin 1-7  
2008: Tyrone 3-14 Dublin 1-8  
2007: Dublin 0-18 Derry 0-15  
2006: Dublin 1-12 Westmeath 0-5  
2005: Tyrone 2-18 Dublin 1-14 (replay)  
2005: Dublin 1-14 Tyrone 1-14 (draw)  
2004: Kerry 1-15 Dublin 1-8  
2002: Dublin 1-14 Donegal 0-7 (replay)  
2002: Dublin 2-8 Donegal 0-14 (draw)  
2001: Kerry 2-12 Dublin 1-12 (replay)  
2001: Dublin 2-11 Kerry 1-14 (draw)  
Played 11, Won 3, Draw 3, Lost 5.

#### ***Tyrone***

2009: Tyrone 0-16 Kildare 1-11  
2008: Tyrone 3-14 Dublin 1-8  
2007: Meath 1-13 Tyrone 2-8  
2005: Tyrone 2-18 Dublin 1-14 (replay)  
2005: Tyrone 1-14 Dublin 1-14 (draw)  
2004: Mayo 0-16 Tyrone 1-9  
2003: Tyrone 1-21 Fermanagh 0-5  
2001: Derry 1-9 Tyrone 0-7  
Played 8, Won 4, Drew 1, Lost 3

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### **CORK v ROSCOMMON**

Cork are back in the quarter-finals for the sixth successive year and for the seventh time in all while Roscommon are in the quarters for the third time. Cork have a 100 per cent record, winning all six previous quarter-finals in 2002-2005-2006-2007-2008-2009 while Roscommon lost their two appearances in 2001 and 2003. This will be only the third championship clash between the counties, the last being in 2003 when Roscommon won a first round qualifier by a point in Dr. Hyde Park. Cork having won the first meeting in the 1990 All-Ireland semi-final where they had seven points (0-17 to 0-10) to spare.

#### **2010 Championship**

##### ***Cork***

Cork 0-15 Kerry 0-15 (Munster semi-final)  
Kerry 1-15 Cork 1-14 (Munster semi-final replay – after extra-time)  
Cork 1-19 Cavan 0-4 (Qualifier Round 2)  
Cork 0-12 Wexford 0-5 (Qualifier Round 3)  
Cork 0-16 Limerick 1-11 (Qualifier Round 4 – After extra-time)  
Average For: 0-17; Average Against: 0-12  
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##### ***Roscommon***

Roscommon 0-14 London 0-6 (Connacht quarter-final)  
Roscommon 1-13 Leitrim 0-11 (Connacht semi-final)  
Roscommon 0-14 Sligo 0-13 (Connacht final)  
Average For: 0-15 Average Against: 0-10  
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##### **Previous Championship Clashes**

2003: Roscommon 0-14 Cork 1-10 (Qualifier Round 1)  
1990: Cork 0-17 Roscommon 0-10 (All-Ireland semi-final)

#### **Previous All-Ireland quarter-final appearances**

##### ***Cork***

2009: Cork 1-27 Donegal 2-10  
2008: Cork 2-11 Kildare 1-11  
2007: Cork 1-11 Sligo 0-8  
2006: Cork 1-11 Donegal 1-10  
2005: Cork 2-14 Galway 2-11  
2002: Cork 0-16 Mayo 1-10  
Played 6, Won 6.

##### ***Roscommon***

2001: Galway 0-14 Roscommon 1-5  
2003: Kerry 1-21 Roscommon 3-10

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### **KILDARE v MEATH**

A date with history for Kildare and Meath who meet in the All-Ireland quarter-finals for the first time. However, they are old rivals in Leinster, having met 30 times with results evenly poised. Both have won twelve times while there have been six draws.

Meath are back in the quarter-finals as Leinster champions for the first time since 2001 but are in the last eight for the third time in four seasons, having got there as qualifiers in 2007 and 2009. They are heading into their fourth quarter-final appearance, having won three and drawn one of their previous four.

Kildare are appearing in the quarter-final for a third successive year, having lost the previous two to Cork and Tyrone respectively. They have had a very busy season so far, having played six championship games, winning four, drawing one and losing one.

Kildare last reached the All-Ireland semi-final in 2000 when they lost to Galway. Meath were in last year's semi-final but lost to Kerry.

### **2010 Championship**

#### ***Kildare***

Louth 1-22 Kildare 1-16 (Leinster quarter-final)  
Kildare 0-15 Antrim 0-15 (Qualifier Round 1 - After extra-time)  
Kildare 1-15 Antrim 0-9 (Replay)  
Kildare 1-12 Leitrim 0-6 (Qualifier Round 2)  
Kildare 2-17 Derry 1-9 (Qualifier Round 3)  
Kildare 1-15 Monaghan 1-11 (Qualifier Round 4)  
Average For: 1-15; Average Against: 0-14

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#### ***Meath***

Meath 1-20 Offaly 2-7 (Leinster first round)  
Meath 2-13 Laois 1-16 (After extra-time) Leinster quarter-final  
Meath 2-14 Laois 0-10 (Replay)  
Meath 5-9 Dublin 0-13 (Leinster semi-final)  
Meath 1-12 Louth 1-10 (Leinster final)  
Average For: 2-15; Average Against: 1-10

### **Last Five Championship Clashes**

2007: Meath 2-11 Kildare 1-8 (Leinster first round)  
2003: Kildare 0-15 Meath 1-11 (Leinster semi-final)  
2001: Meath 1-16 Kildare 1-11 (Leinster semi-final)  
1998: Kildare 1-12 Meath 0-10 (Leinster final)  
1997: Meath 1-12 Kildare 1-10 (Leinster semi-final – 2<sup>nd</sup> replay)

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### Previous All-Ireland quarter-final appearances

#### ***Kildare***

2009: Tyrone 0-16 Kildare 1-11

2008: Cork 2-11 Kildare 1-11

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#### ***Meath***

2009: Meath 2-15 Mayo 1-15

2007: Meath 1-13 Tyrone 2-8

2001: Meath 2-10 Westmeath 0-11 (replay)

2001: Meath 2-12 Westmeath 3-9 (draw)

Played 4, Won 3, Drew 1.

### **GAA FOOTBALL ALL-IRELAND SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010**

#### **CONNACHT**

May 2: Quarter-final: Galway 2-13 New York 0-12, Gaelic Park.

May 30: Quarter-final: Roscommon 0-14 London 0-6 Ruislip.

June 5: Quarter-final: Sligo 0-15 Mayo 1-8, Markievicz Park.

June 20: Semi-final: Roscommon 1-13 Leitrim 0-11, Dr. Hyde Park.

June 27: Semi-final: Galway 1-10 Sligo 1-10, Pearse Stadium.

July 3: Semi-final replay: Sligo 1-14 Galway 0-16, Markievicz Park.

July 18: Final: Roscommon 0-14 Sligo 0-13, Castlebar.

#### **LEINSTER**

May 16: First Round: Wicklow 3-13 Carlow 0-12, Portlaoise.

May 23: First Round: Meath 1-20 Offaly, 2-7; Portlaoise; Louth 1-11 Longford 1-7, Portlaoise.

June 5: Quarter-final: Louth 1-22 Kildare 1-16, Navan.

June 6: Quarter-final: Westmeath 0-15 Wicklow 1-11, Tullamore.

June 13: Quarter-finals: Laois 1-16 Meath 2-13 (after extra-time); Dublin 2-16 Wexford 0-15 (after extra-time). Both in Croke Park.

June 19: Quarter-final replay: Meath 2-14 Laois 0-10, Tullamore.

June 27: Semi-finals: Meath 5-9 Dublin 0-13; Louth 1-15 Westmeath 2-10, Croke Park.

July 11: Final, Croke Park: Meath 1-12 Louth 1-10, Croke Park.

#### **MUNSTER**

May 16: Quarter-final: Kerry 2-18 Tipperary 2-6, Thurles.

May 23: Quarter-final: Waterford 1-10 Clare 0-9, Dungarvan.

June 6: Semi-finals: Kerry 0-15 Cork 0-15, Killarney; Limerick 1-17 Waterford 1-9, Dungarvan.

June 13: Semi-final replay: Kerry 1-15 Cork 1-14 (after extra-time), Páirc Uí Chaoimh.

July 4: Final: Kerry 1-17 Limerick 1-14, Killarney.

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May 16: First Round: Armagh 1-10 Derry 1-7, Celtic Park.  
May 23: Quarter-final: Tyrone 2-14 Antrim 1-13, Casement Park.  
May 30: Quarter-final: Down 1-15 Donegal 2-10 (After extra-time), Ballybofey.  
June 6: Quarter-final: Monaghan 1-18 Armagh 0-9, Casement Park.  
June 12: Quarter-final: Fermanagh 1-13 Cavan 0-13, Kingspan Breffni Park.  
June 19: Semi-final: Tyrone 0-14 Down 0-10, Casement Park.  
June 27: Semi-final: Monaghan 0-21 Fermanagh 2-8, Kingspan Breffni Park.  
July 18: Final: Tyrone 1-14 Monaghan 0-7, Clones.

## ALL-IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIP

June 26: Qualifiers Round 1: Derry 1-18 Carlow 2-9, Dr. Cullen Park; Kildare 0-15 Antrim 0-15, Newbridge (after extra-time); Offaly 2-18 Clare 1-18, Tullamore (After extra-time); Longford 1-12 Mayo 0-14, Pearse Park; Armagh 2-14 Donegal 0-11, Crossmaglen; Cavan 0-15 Wicklow 2-8, Kingspan Breffni Park.  
June 27: Wexford 4-22 London 0-9, Ruislip; Tipperary 0-13 Laois 0-12, Thurles.

July 3: Kildare 1-15 Antrim 0-9 (Replay)

July 10/11: Qualifiers Round 2: Kildare 1-12 Leitrim 0-6; Dublin 1-21 Tipperary 1-13, Croke Park; Cork 1-19 Cavan 0-4, Páirc Uí Chaoimh; Offaly 0-15 Waterford 0-10, Tullamore; Wexford 1-11 Galway 0-13, Pearse Stadium; Armagh 0-11 Fermanagh 0-7, Enniskillen; Down 1-14 Longford 1-10, Newry; Derry 0-13 Westmeath 1-7, Mullingar.

July 17: Qualifiers Round 3: Dublin 0-14 Armagh 0-11, Croke Park; Cork 0-12 Wexford 0-5, Wexford Park; Kildare 2-17 Derry 1-9, Celtic Park; Down 1-12 Offaly 1-10.

July 24: Qualifiers Round 4: Dublin 2-14 Louth 0-13, Croke Park; Kildare 1-15 Monaghan 1-11, Croke Park; Cork 0-16 Limerick 1-11, Gaelic Rounds (after extra-time); Down 3-20 Sligo 0-10, Kingspan Breffni Park.

Next Saturday: All-Ireland Quarter-finals: Down v Kerry, Croke Park. 2.0;  
Dublin v Tyrone, Croke Park 4.0.

Next Sunday: All Ireland Quarter-finals: Cork v Roscommon, Croke Park, 2.0;  
Kildare v Meath, Croke Park, 4.0.

August 22: All-Ireland Semi-final: Roscommon/Cork v Tyrone/Dublin, Croke Park

August 29: All-Ireland Semi-final: Meath/Kildare v Kerry/Down Croke Park.

September 19: All-Ireland Final, Croke Park.

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