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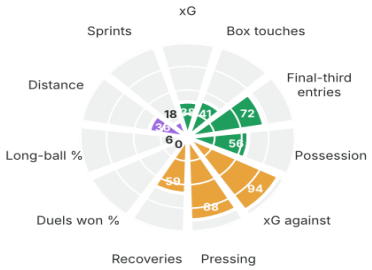
▶ Highlights

Europe · 5 days' rest · Away · 4-2-3-1 (15 of 17 saved games; 4-1-4-1 1, 3-4-2-1 1) v 4-2-3-1

THE HEADLINES

1. Won 2–1 on 1.69 xG to 0.63: the chances favoured Celtic.
2. Def. contributions 42, well below the usual 56.
3. Nothing in the team numbers stood out from Celtic's usual range this season.

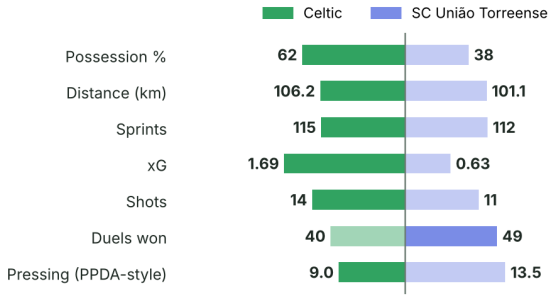
This game against the season



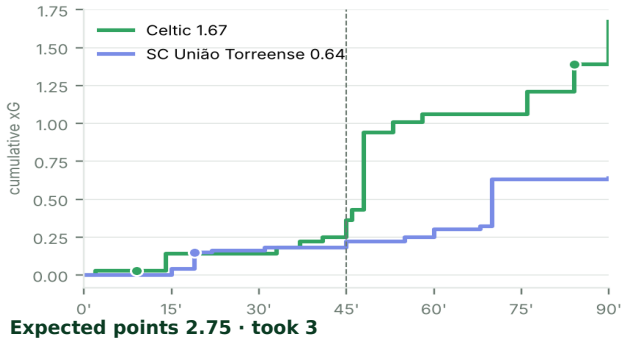
Measure	This game	Usual	Rank among the other saved games (0–100)
xG	1.69	1.94	38
Box touches	34	38	41
Final-third entries	61	56	72
Possession	62	61	56
xG against (fewer = better)	0.63	1.17	94
Pressing (PPDA, lower = more)	9.0	10.5	88
Recoveries	49	46	59
Duels won %	45	53	0
Long-ball %	4.2	6.5	6
Distance	106.2	107.2	36
Sprints	115	154	18

Slice length = how this game ranks among the other saved games (100 = highest). "Fewer = better" measures are flipped. Usual = median. Running needs full tracking.

Team v opponent



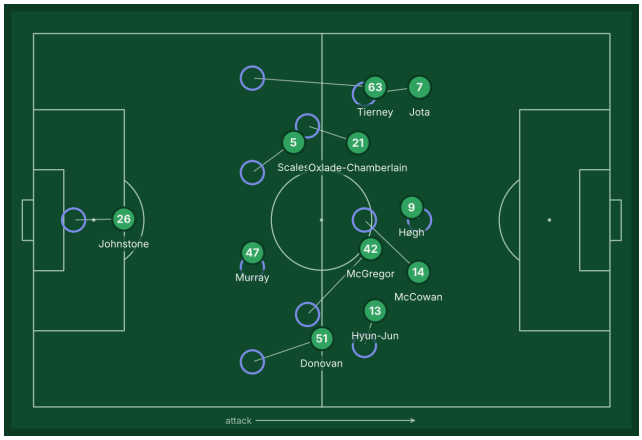
xG race



Expected points 2.75 · took 3



Shape: planned v played



	Played	Plan	Avg
Width (m)	**45.8**	**51.7**	**45.7**
Length (m)	**30.4**	**30.4**	**37.0**
Back-line height (m)	**39.9**	**39.9**	**37.0**
Team centre (m)	**59.4**	**51.1**	**54.8**
Deepest line	**1**	**4**	
Planned links kept	**57%**	**14 links**	**67%**

Played = average positions; plan scaled to the same depth; avg = other games. Deepest line = within 6 m of the deepest player. Links kept = planned neighbours still side by side.

What the data says

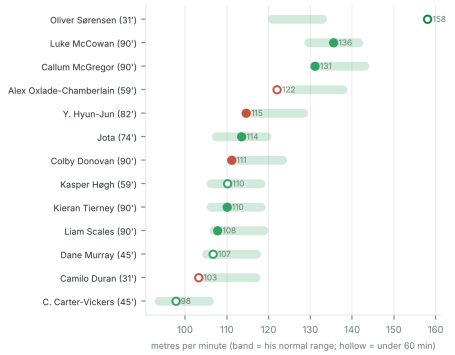
- **Result in line with the chances.** Celtic had 1.67 xG from 13 shots and scored two. On those chances the most likely result was a Celtic win (89%), worth 2.75 expected points; they took 3. SC União Torreense scored with one of their 10 shots: 0.11 xG on 19'. On target, Celtic's shots were worth 1.29 xGOT to SC União Torreense's 0.59, below their xG: the chances were better than the shots on target. Celtic's first goal was a Torreense own goal (9'); Durán scored the winner on 84' after coming on at 59'.
- **Back line.** On average positions one defender sat deepest, Murray, about 40 m from goal, where 4 were planned and 2 is usual. Tierney and Donovan pushed up. That's worth checking on video, because SC União Torreense scored one while Celtic had 62% of the ball.

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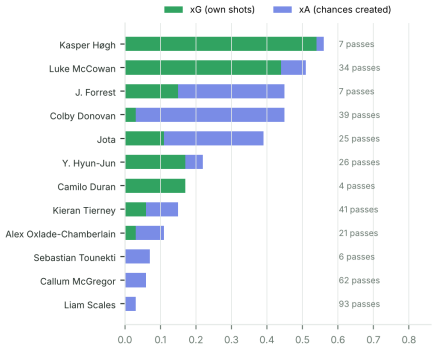
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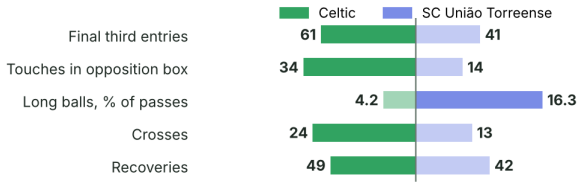
Running: m/min against his normal range



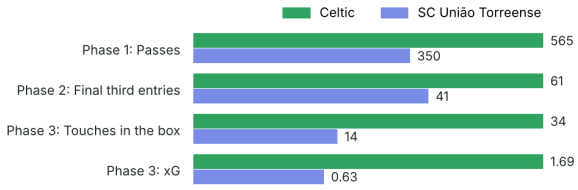
Chances and passing



How each side played



Attacking phases: how far attacks got



Data: ✓ running ✓ distances 10 of 10 ✓ xG race = score ✓ plan ✓ positions ✓ pressing & style

Players

Player	Job	Min	km	m/min	vs normal	xG	xA	Passes	Def.	Duels
S. Johnstone	Goalkeeper	90	–	–	–	0.00	0.00	41	1	0
Liam Scales	Centre-back (back 4)	90	9.7	108	normal	0.00	0.03	93	7	3
Dane Murray	Centre-back (back 4)	45	4.8	107	normal	0.00	0.01	36	2	4
Colby Donovan	Full-back	90	10.0	111	below	0.03	0.42	39	10	4
Kieran Tierney	Full-back	90	9.9	110	normal	0.06	0.09	41	5	3
Callum McGregor	Holding midfielder	90	11.8	131	normal	0.00	0.06	62	1	1
Alex Oxlade-Chamberlain	Holding midfielder	59	7.2	122	below	0.03	0.08	21	4	3
Luke McCowan	Number 10 *	90	12.2	136	normal	0.44	0.07	34	0	1
Y. Hyun-Jun	Winger	82	9.4	115	below	0.17	0.05	26	8	7
Jota	Winger	74	8.4	114	normal	0.11	0.28	25	1	7
Kasper Høgh	Lone striker	59	6.5	110	normal	0.54	0.02	7	1	1
C. Carter-Vickers	Substitute	45	4.4	98	normal	0.00	0.01	40	0	1
Camilo Duran	Substitute	31	3.2	103	below	0.17	0.00	4	0	1
Oliver Sørensen	Substitute	31	4.9	158	above	0.00	0.02	14	0	2
J. Forrest	Substitute	16	2.3	–	–	0.15	0.30	7	0	0
Sebastian Tounekti	Substitute	8	1.6	–	–	0.00	0.07	6	2	2

** = not his usual role. Red km = outside the published range for the position (Allen et al., 2023). m/min hidden under 30 min (distance includes stoppage time, minutes don't). Normal range = own average ± typical game-to-game variation (Hopkins, 2000). Def. = defensive contributions. Public match data with unpublished methods: one game is a pointer, not proof.*

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