



United States Soccer Federation

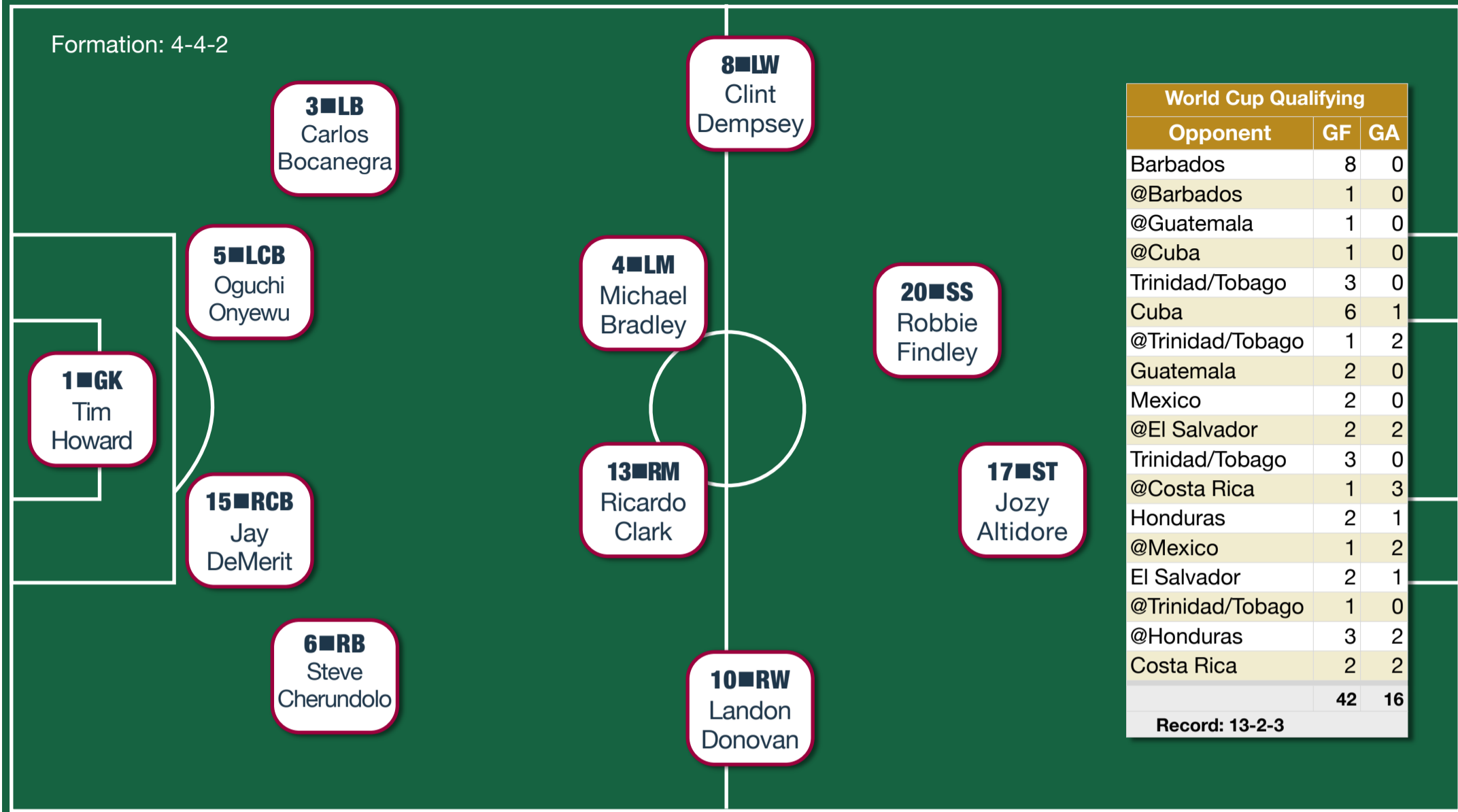
Region: Confederation of North, Central American and Caribbean Association Football (CONCACAF)

World Cup appearances: 8 (1930, '34, '50, '90, '94, '98, 2002, '06)

Best World Cup finish: 3rd (1930) **Current FIFA Ranking:** 14th

Continental titles: 4 (1991, 2002, '05, '07)

Country's population: 310,232,863 **GDP (per inhabitant):** \$46,400 **Life expectancy:** 78.24



Group C	Pts	W	D	L	GF	GA
England						
United States						
Slovenia						
Algeria						

Name	Pos	No.	Club (league)	Caps	G
Tim Howard	G	1	Everton (England)	51	0
Brad Guzan	G	18	Aston Villa (England)	16	0
Marcus Hahnemann	G	23	Wolverhampton (England)	7	0
Jonathan Spector	D	2	West Ham United (England)	25	0
Carlos Bocanegra	D	3	Rennes (France)	79	12
Oguchi Onyewu	D	5	Milan (Italy)	54	5
Steve Cherundolo	D	6	Hannover (Germany)	60	2
Jonathan Bornstein	D	12	Chivas USA (United States)	32	2
Jay DeMerit	D	15	Watford (England)	19	0
Clarence Goodson	D	21	Start (Norway)	14	2
Michael Bradley	M	4	Borussia Monchengladbach (Ger.)	43	7
DeMarcus Beasley	M	7	Rangers (Scotland)	92	17
Clint Dempsey	M	8	Fulham (England)	62	18
Landon Donovan	M	10	Los Angeles Galaxy (U.S.)	123	42
Stuart Holden	M	11	Bolton (England)	14	2
Ricardo Clark	M	13	Eintracht Frankfurt (Germany)	29	2
José Francisco Torres	M	16	Pachuca (Mexico)	10	0
Maurice Edu	M	19	Rangers (Scotland)	13	1
Benny Feilhaber	M	22	Aarhus (Denmark)	32	2
Herculez Gomez	F	9	Pachuca (Mexico)	4	2
Edson Buddle	F	14	Los Angeles Galaxy (U.S.)	3	2
Jozy Altidore	F	17	Villareal (Spain)	25	9
Robbie Findley	F	20	Real Salt Lake (U.S.)	6	0

TEAM NOTES

Top players:

The States' one-two punch of **Clint Dempsey** and **Landon Donovan** give them some of the best wing play in the tournament. Donovan is the U.S.'s best creative presence, while Dempsey provides the team with its flair.

Tim Howard may be the team's best athlete and brings seven seasons of English Premier League experience to the States' goal.

Oguchi Onyewu is the U.S.'s best defender, when healthy. Unfortunately, recovering from an October knee injury, he is not. He is on the roster and likely plays but appears far from 100 percent.

Keys to success:

Some dwell on the States' lack of goal scorers, but scoring has rarely been a problem. The United States need to defend better than they have in friendlies; else, the passive attacks of their group rivals become dangerous.

Outlook:

The United States is the second most talented team in their group, but injuries and stylistic concerns deflate the prospects of a Round of 16 appearance.