

OFFICIAL RBS 6 NATIONS TEAM SELECTION *DELIVERED BY ACCENTURE*

IRELAND v ITALY at Stadio Olimpico, 7.2.2015 (15:30 local time)

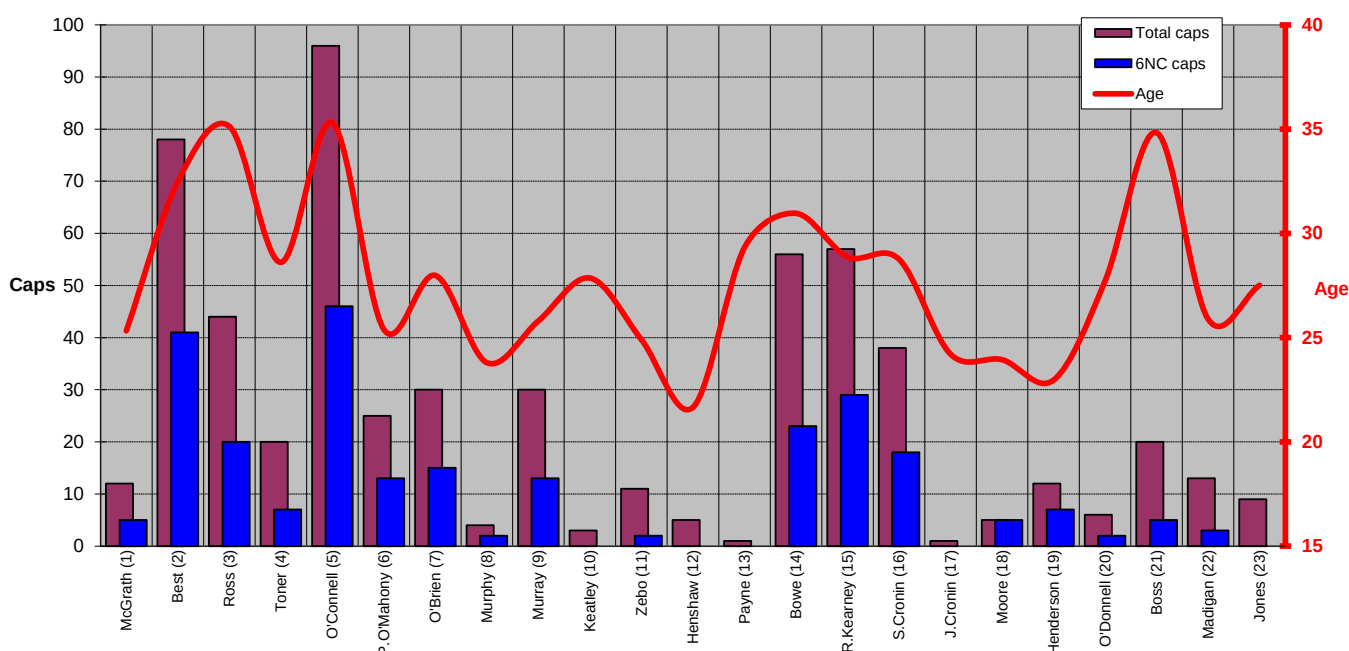
Head coach Joe Schmidt hands RBS 6 Nations debuts to centre pairing **Robbie Henshaw** and **Tim Payne**, as well as out-half **Ian Keatley**, whilst on the bench two others new to the RBS 6 Nations: prop **James Cronin** and full-back **Felix Jones**. The last time that Ireland gave championship debuts to both centres was against England at Twickenham in 2000 when Brian O'Driscoll and Mike Mullins started.

Five of the pack and six in all of the XV are Leinstermen, a third of the starters come from Munster, whilst there are three Ulstermen and Henshaw from Connacht.

The XV has 472 test caps between them; the bench has a further 104 caps.

The average age of the walk-on team is 27.1 years; the average on the bench is 29.3

AGE & EXPERIENCE



(1) JACK MCGRATH

Team: Leinster

Born: 11.10.1989 (25) in Dublin (Ireland)

Ht: 1.85m (6'1") Wt: 118kg (18st 8lb)

Position: Prop

Test debut: 9.11.2013 v Samoa (Dublin)

RBS 6N debut: 2.2.2014 v Scotland (Dublin)

FACTBOX:

Club debuts: 2009-10 Leinster A, 2009-10 Leinster, 2009-10 St Mary's C.

Played as a replacement for Leinster three successive PRO12 finals; losing to Ospreys 2012, and winning against Ulster (2013) and Glasgow (2014). Started in the Amlin Challenge Cup final 2013 when Leinster beat Stade Français

Represented Ireland U20 in 2009 Six Nations and the following Junior World Championship in Japan

Played all 3 games for Emerging Ireland in the Tbilisi Cup 2013. Came off the bench in Ireland Wolfhound's victory over England in January 2014 and started in their defeat to the same foe last week in Cork

Capped for the first time against Samoa in the autumn internationals 2013 has been part of Ireland's matchday squad in all tests since

Played in all five games of last season's RBS 6 Nations, all off the bench, scoring a maiden try against Italy in round 4

TEST CAREER

Overall
RBS 6 Nations
v Italy
@ Stadio Olimpico

RBS 6N 2014

PRO12 2014/15

CHAMP CUP 2014/15

Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
12	4	8	1	1	5	9	-	3
5	-	5	-	1	5	4	-	1
1	-	1	-	1	5	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	5	-	1	5	4	-	1
6	4	2	-	1	5	4	-	2
4	4	-	-	-	-	3	-	1

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(2) RORY BEST Team: Ulster Born: 15.8.1982 (32) in Craigavon (N Ireland) Ht: 1.80m (5'11") Wt: 110kg (17st 4lb) Position: Hooker Test debut: 12.11.2005 v New Zealand (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 26.2.2006 v Wales (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	78	58	20	7	8	40	43	2	33
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2004-05 Belfast Quins, 2004-05 Ulster Celtic League title winner in 2005/6 with Ulster, Heineken Cup finalist in 2012 and PRO12 finalist 2013, he is currently captain of his province Called in as a replacement for British & Irish Lions tour to Australia in 2013, playing 4 midweek matches and skipping the side against the Brumbies. First RBS 6 Nations game was at Lansdowne Road, against Wales in February 2006; has now played in Ireland's last 40 RBS 6 Nations matches, starting the last 23. Captained Ireland on the 2009 Summer Tour to North America (scoring a try against USA) and twice in the 2012 RBS 6 Nations, v Scotland and England. Ireland's most capped hooker. Scored one try in his first 26 RBS 6 Nations games, against Wales in 2007, and added two more in 2012 against Wales and Scotland. All 3 tries have been scored at Aviva Stadium/Lansdowne Road	RBS 6 Nations	41	32	9	4	3	15	25	2	14
	v Italy	10	8	2	1	-	-	9	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	5	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	9	8	1	-	1	5	5	-	4
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	5	5	-	-	1	5	2	-	3

(3) MIKE ROSS Team: Leinster Born: 21.12.1979 (35) in Cork (Ireland) Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 127kg (19st 13lb) Position: Prop Test debut: 23.5.2009 v Canada (Vancouver) RBS 6N debut: 5.2.2011 v Italy (Roma)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	44	42	2	-	-	-	25	2	17
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2003-04 Cork Constitution, 2005-06 Munster, 2006-07 Harlequins, 2009-10 Leinster A, 2009-10 Leinster Joined Leinster in the summer of summer 2009, won the Heineken Cup with them in 2011 and 2012. PRO12 finalist with the province the same two seasons before winning the title in 2013, along with the Amlin Challenge Cup, and the PRO12 again in 2014. Turned out for the Ireland Wolfhounds in the Churchill Cup 2007 & 2008 when the team claimed 3rd place in both. Played for Wolfhounds for the first time in 4 years in their defeat to the Saxons in Cork in January. Since his debut against Italy in Rome 2011, he has started all 20 of Ireland's RBS 6 Nations games at tighthead. He also played in all of Ireland's games at RWC2011 Has worn the No. 3 shirt in all 24 test matches since missing the first test against New Zealand in Auckland 2012. He has yet to score a try. Has recently agreed one year extension to his contract with IRFU/Leinster	RBS 6 Nations	20	20	-	-	-	-	10	2	8
	v Italy	5	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	5	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	5	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1

(4) DEVIN TONER Team: Leinster Born: 29.6.1986 (28) in Moynalvey, Co Meath (Ireland) Ht: 2.08m (6'10") Wt: 124kg (19st 7lb) Position: Lock Test debut: 13.11.2010 v Samoa (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 24.2.2013 v Scotland (Murrayfield)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	20	14	6	-	-	-	14	-	6
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2005-06 Leinster, 2009-10 Leinster A Ireland A debut was in the Churchill Cup 2007. Played in 2009 tournament when Ireland won in USA, scoring a try in the final against England. Leinster senior debut came against Border Reivers, at Donnybrook in January 2006. Has recently agreed two year extension with IRFU/Leinster Was in the matchday squad for all three of Leinster's Heineken Cup victories, 2009, 2011 & 2012, added an Amlin Challenge Cup winners medal 2013. A PRO12 winner in 2013 having been a finalist the previous two years, and won the title again in 2014. First three test caps came in 2010 Autumn Internationals, has now appeared in Ireland's last 16 test matches. His RBS 6 Nations bow came in round 3, 2013 against Scotland, he was also a replacement in round 5 that year against Italy. Last season he missed only 6 minutes of Ireland's Championship winning campaign	RBS 6 Nations	7	5	2	-	-	-	4	-	3
	v Italy	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	5	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	7	6	1	-	-	-	5	-	2
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	6	6	-	-	-	-	4	1	1

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(5) PAUL O'CONNELL(c) Team: Munster Born: 20.10.1979 (35) in Limerick (Ireland) Ht: 1.98m (6'6") Wt: 112kg (17st 8lb) Position: Lock Test debut: 3.2.2002 v Wales (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 3.2.2002 v Wales (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	96	89	7	-	6	30	58	2	36
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2001-02 Munster Won numerous titles with Munster: Celtic Cup final 2005; two Heineken Cup winners medals in 2006 and skippering the winning side in 2008; Magners League title 2008/9 and Magners League Grand Final 2011 Capped by the age of 22, he scored a try on debut against Wales in 2002 RBS 6 Nations game in Dublin. His other RBS 6 Nations try came against Scotland at Murrayfield in 2005. An ever present at lock during Ireland's grand slam of 2009, he appeared in every RBS 6 Nations tournament from his debut in 2002 apart from 2013 when he was injured Selected for the British & Irish Lions in 2005, playing in all 3 tests against New Zealand. Captained them to South Africa in 2009, again playing all 3 tests. Also selected for the 2013 tour, playing in 4 games, the last of which was the first test. Is now the world's third highest capped second row in terms of starts, behind Victor Matfield and Nathan Sharpe	RBS 6 Nations	46	42	4	-	2	10	30	1	15
	v Italy	10	9	1	-	-	-	10	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	RBS 6N 2014	4	4	-	-	-	-	3	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	5	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	6	6	-	-	-	-	3	-	3

(6) PETER O'MAHONY Team: Munster Born: 17.9.1989 (25) in Cork (Ireland) Ht: 1.90m (6'3") Wt: 107kg (16st 11lb) Position: Back-row Test debut: 25.2.2012 v Italy (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 25.2.2012 v Italy (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	25	21	4	1	1	5	12	2	11
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2008-09 Cork Constitution, 2009-10 Munster A, 2009-10 Munster Helped Cork Constitution to a league and cup double in 2009/10; led Munster A to the British & Irish Cup final against Cornish Pirates in 2010 Munster senior debut was against Ulster at Ravenhill in January 2010; he captained the province during RWC2011 period and took over as full time skipper for the start of last season. Made his test debut in the RBS 6 Nations game against Italy in 2012, the only game he has missed in the tournaments since then was due to injury against Italy in round 4 last year Led Ireland on the tour to North America 2013 and scored his only test try to date against Samoa in that year's autumn internationals. Injured his shoulder in the European Cup quarter final victory over Toulouse in April 2014 which required surgery and kept him out of rugby for 6 months.	RBS 6 Nations	13	10	3	1	-	-	6	2	5
	v Italy	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	4	4	-	-	-	-	3	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	5	4	1	-	1	5	3	-	2
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	6	6	-	-	-	-	3	-	3

(7) SEAN O'BRIEN Team: Leinster Born: 14.2.1987 (27) in Dublin (Ireland) Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 108kg (16st 13lb) Position: Back-row Test debut: 21.11.2009 v Fiji (RDS Arena, Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 6.2.2010 v Italy (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	30	26	4	1	3	15	13	2	15
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2006-07 Leinster Heineken Cup winner with Leinster 2011 and 2012 scoring a try in a man of the match winning performance against Ulster; added a Challenge Cup title in 2013. PRO12 final winner last season Ireland A debut came in summer of 2009 against Scotland in the Churchill Cup, also appeared for them later that year against Tonga then not again until they entertained the Saxons in Cork last month. Test debut was against Fiji at the RDS Dublin in November 2009. Has not played for Ireland since starting against the All Blacks in the autumn internationals of 2013 Made RBS 6 Nations bow against Italy at Croke Park in February 2010, but a broken leg curtailed his appearances that season. Went on British & Irish Lions tour to Australia in 2013 playing in 6 matches, scoring 2 tries and appearing in the last two tests	RBS 6 Nations	15	14	1	1	-	-	6	2	7
	v Italy	5	4	1	-	-	-	4	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	EPCR 2014/15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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(8) JORDI MURPHY		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Leinster		Overall		4	1	3	1	-	-	3	-	1
Born: 22.4.1991 (23) in Barcelona (Spain)		RBS 6 Nations		2	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	1
Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 106kg (16st 9lb)		v Italy		1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Position: Flanker		@ Stadio Olimpico		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test debut: 22.2.2014 v England (Twickenham)		RBS 6N 2014		2	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	1
RBS 6N debut: 22.2.2014 v England (Twickenham)		PRO12 2014/15		6	4	2	-	-	-	4	1	1
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		3	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	1
Club debuts: 2009-10 Leinster A, 2011-12 Leinster												
Appeared for Leinster A in the British & Irish Cup, captaining them in their British & Irish cup final win against Newcastle in May 2013												
Leinster senior debut came against Glasgow at the RDS in the PRO12 in September 2011. A member of the Leinster squad that took the PRO12 titles in 2013 & 2014												
Played for Ireland Emerging Players in the Tbilisi Cup summer 2013 and made his Ireland Wolfhounds debut in their victory over England at Gloucester in January 2014												
On his test debut in the third round against England last year became the first Irish international to be born in mainland Europe since the Allen brothers, who were born in Gibraltar and played in the early part of the 20th century.												
Went on tour to Argentina last summer, playing in two tests, but hasn't figured since due to a shoulder injury												

(9) CONOR MURRAY		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Munster		Overall		30	26	4	-	2	10	14	2	14
Born: 20.4.1989 (25) in Limerick (Ireland)		RBS 6 Nations		13	13	-	-	-	-	6	2	5
Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 94kg (14st 10lb)		v Italy		4	4	-	-	-	-	3	-	1
Position: Scrum-half		@ Stadio Olimpico		1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Test debut: 13.8.2011 v France (Bordeaux)		RBS 6N 2014		5	5	-	-	-	-	4	-	1
RBS 6N debut: 5.2.2012 v Wales (Dublin)		PRO12 2014/15		6	6	-	-	1	5	4	-	2
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		4	4	-	-	1	5	2	-	2
Club debuts: 2008-09 Munster, 2009-10 Garryowen, 2009-10 Munster A												
Played in the British & Irish Cup final 2010 which Munster A lost to Cornish Pirates. Magners League winner 2011 with Munster												
Both of his test tries have been scored against New Zealand; one in Christchurch June 2012 and the other at Aviva Stadium November 2013												
Capped for Ireland after playing just 10 PRO12 games for Munster (6 starts).												
Made his RBS 6 Nations debut against Wales in round 1 of 2012, and has retained the No/ 9 shirt in every game in the tournament since												
Selected for the British & Irish Lions tour to Australia 2013 playing in 7 games including two caps off the bench in the second and third tests, and scoring 2 tries; against the Combined Country XV and Melbourne Rebels.												

(10) IAN KEATLEY		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Munster. Position: Out-half		Overall		3	2	1	-	-	17	3	-	-
Born: 1.4.1987 (27) in Dublin (Ireland)		RBS 6 Nations		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ht: 1.80m (5'11") Wt: 91kg (14st 4lb)		v Italy		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test kicking: 7 from 12 (58%) 4C/3PG/ODG		@ Stadio Olimpico		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test debut: 23.5.2009 v Canada (Vancouver)		RBS 6N 2014		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RBS 6N debut: -		PRO12 2014/15		11	9	2	-	1	103	7	-	4
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		6	6	-	-	-	63	3	-	3
Club debuts: 2008-09 Connacht, 2011-12 Munster												
Represented Ireland at U18 and U19 levels and played outside-half throughout the U20 Six Nations 2007, scoring 54 points												
Made his Wolfhounds debut in the 2007 Churchill Cup against Scotland at Twickenham, has now played 11 times for them, the last of which was their victory over England at Gloucester in January 2014												
Selected to tour North America with the senior team in May 2009, playing in both tests against Canada and USA at No.10, kicking 17 points. Added a third cap off the bench against Georgia in the recent autumn internationals												
Played for Emerging Ireland in the Tbilisi cup 2013 and in the team that won the Nations Cup in Bucharest in the summer of 2014												
Became only the third player to pass 1000 points in the PRO12 doing so against Ulster 28th November. Signed an extension to his contract with IRFU/Munster in January keeping him at the Province for another 2 years												

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(11) SIMON ZEBO Team: Munster Born: 16.3.1990 (24) in Cork (Ireland) Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 94kg (14st 10lb) Position: Wing Test debut: 9.6.2012 v New Zealand (Auckland) RBS 6N debut: 2.2.2013 v Wales (Cardiff)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	11	11	-	1	5	25	8	-	3
	RBS 6 Nations	2	2	-	-	1	5	1	-	1
	v Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2008-09 Cork Constitution, 2009-10 Munster A, 2009-10 Munster Made Ireland A debut against England Saxons at Exeter in January 2012, scoring a try. Appeared for the Wolfhounds in their victory over Saxons at Gloucester in 2014. Scored a try in the non-capped game v Barbarians at Kingsholm May 2012 before winning his fist cap in the 1st test v All Blacks in Auckland the following week. Scored a first test try from full back against Argentina at the Aviva Stadium in Nov 2012 He recovered from injury in time for the 2013 summer tour North America with Ireland and then received a call-up to join the Lions party as injury cover in Australia that summer, playing in 3 midweek fixtures Scored a try on his RBS 6 Nations debut v Wales in 2013 round 1, the first Irish player to score a try on his debut in the competition since Andrew Trimble in 2006. Played in round 2 v England but hasn't appeared in the tournament since Started on the left wing in Ireland's last 5 games, scoring 3 tries in the four most recent.	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	8	8	-	-	5	25	5	-	3
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	6	6	-	-	2	10	3	-	3
(12) ROBBIE HENSHAW Team: Connacht Born: 12.6.1993 (21) in Athlone (Ireland) Ht: 1.90m (6'3") Wt: 100kg (15st 10lb) Position: Centre/Full-back Test debut: 8.6.2013 v United States (Houston) RBS 6N debut: -	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	5	3	2	-	-	-	4	-	1
	RBS 6 Nations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	v Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2012-13 Connacht Made his Connacht senior debut in the opening game of the 2012/13 PRO12 season at home to Cardiff Blues At the end of his first season, was voted the Connacht Senior Player of the Year and also picked up the IRUPA Young Player of the Year award, collecting the national award again the following season. Made his Wolfhounds debut in the 2013 defeat to England Saxons on his home ground, Galway, 2 weeks later played in his only game for the U20s, also against England in Connacht Went on Ireland's tour to North America in the summer of 2013, winning his first two caps at full back against USA and as a replacement against Canada Has since added three more caps, in autumn internationals against Australia in 2013 & 2014 and South Africa last November.	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	8	8	-	-	1	5	4	1	3
	CHALL CUP 2014/15	3	3	-	-	2	10	1	-	2
(13) JARED PAYNE Team: Ulster Born: 13.10.1985 (29) in Tauranga (N Zealand) Ht: 1.88m (6'2") Wt: 95kg (14st 13lb) Position: Full-back Test debut: 8.11.2014 v South Africa (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: -	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	RBS 6 Nations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	v Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2006 Waikato, 2007 Chiefs, 2008 Northland, 2009 Crusaders, 2011 Blues, 2011-12 Ulster Played for New Zealand U21s in the World Championships 2006 in France, scoring a try on his debut at the level against Italy Part of the Waikato squad that won the 2006 Air New Zealand Cup and made his debut in Super Rugby for the Chiefs against the Lions in March 2007 Has played for the Chiefs, Crusaders and Blues in Super Rugby before joining Ulster in September 2011 making his debut in the PRO12 against Cardiff Blues in Belfast that month. Shortly into his 3rd appearance for the Province suffered a ruptured Achilles that kept him out of rugby for 11 months, ruling him out of Ulster's 2012 Heineken Cup Final appearance. Played in the PRO12 final defeat to Leinster at RDS in May 2013 Full back for the Barbarians when they played the British & Irish Lions in Hong Kong in June 2013 and gained his only test cap to date in Ireland's victory over the Springboks in November when injury again curtailed his appearances	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	4	3	1	-	-	-	3	1	-
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	4	4	-	-	1	5	1	-	3

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(14) TOMMY BOWE Team: Ulster Born: 22.2.1984 (30) in Emyvale (Ireland) Ht: 1.90m (6'3") Wt: 96kg (15st 2lb) Position: Wing Test debut: 20.11.2004 v United States (Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 4.2.2006 v Italy (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	56	56	-	-	28	140	30	2	24
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2003-04 Ulster, 2008-09 Ospreys Celtic League title winner in 2005/6 with Ulster, part of the squad that won the Magners League title with Ospreys 2010 and 2012, and finalist with Ulster in their 2013 defeat by Leinster His full test debut came against the USA at Lansdowne Road in November 2004, made his bow in RBS 6 Nations in the opening game of the 2006 tournament against Italy at Lansdowne Road Toured South Africa in 2009 with the Lions - playing in all 3 tests - and Australia in 2013 appearing in midweek fixtures v Western Force and Queensland, until a hand injury interrupted his tour. He returned to fitness to play the last 2 tests. His 5 tries in the 2012 RBS 6 Nations equals the Irish record for a season, set by Brian O'Driscoll in 2000. Injury has prevented him from playing in the tournament since Returned to Ireland colours for the autumn internationals after a 12 month absence and scored tries in his 2 appearances against South Africa and Australia taking his tally to 28, now just 1 behind Denis Hickey's 2nd place in Ireland's all time list	RBS 6 Nations	23	23	-	-	14	70	14	1	8
	v Italy	5	5	-	-	4	20	5	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	7	7	-	-	3	15	4	-	3
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	5	5	-	-	2	10	2	-	3

(15) ROB KEARNEY Team: Leinster. Position: Full-back/Wing Born: 26.3.1986 (28) in Dublin (Ireland) Ht: 1.85m (6'1") Wt: 95kg (15st 0lb) Test kicking: 1 from 1 (100%) 1C/OPG/ODG Test debut: 2.6.2007 v Argentina (Buenos Aires) RBS 6N debut: 2.2.2008 v Italy (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	57	54	3	-	10	52	27	3	27
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2005-06 Leinster Senior debut for Leinster came in 2005, a Heineken Cup winner with them in 2009 and 2012 and an Amlin winner, scoring a try in the final, in 2013. Magners League winner 2007/8 and PRO12 finalist 2010, 2012 and winner 2013 and 2014. Named European Player of the Year 2012 when Leinster won their 3rd Heineken Cup title. Has recently signed an extension to his contract with IRFU/Leinster keeping him at the province until 2018 Started at full-back for all five games during Ireland's 2009 grand slam and 2014 Championship winning team. Has been Ireland's number 15 for their last 15 RBS 6 Nations encounters, missing just seven minutes playing time during those games. Selected for the British & Irish Lions 2009 tour to South Africa, played in all three tests, scoring a try. Again selected for the 2013 tour but an injured hamstring ruled him out until game 5 of the tour, only playing in the final 3 mid-week matches	RBS 6 Nations	29	26	3	-	4	22	16	2	11
	v Italy	7	6	1	-	-	2	6	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	5	5	-	-	2	10	4	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	7	6	1	-	2	10	5	-	2
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	4	4	-	-	-	-	2	1	1

(16) SEAN CRONIN Team: Leinster Born: 6.5.1986 (28) in Limerick (Ireland) Ht: 1.80m (5'11") Wt: 101kg (15st 12lb) Position: Hooker Test debut: 21.11.2009 v Fiji (RDS Arena, Dublin) RBS 6N debut: 13.3.2010 v Wales (Dublin)	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	38	7	31	13	1	5	21	2	15
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2005-06 Shannon, 2006-07 Munster, 2008-09 Connacht, 2011-12 Leinster Won Churchill Cup with Ireland Wolfhounds 2009, scoring a try in the final v Saxons, also played in 2007 & 2008 tournaments Wore No.2 shirt against Springboks in the autumn, his first start in a test for Ireland since the game against Russia during RWC2011 Made his RBS 6 Nations bow in the victory over Wales at Croke Park in March 2010, all his appearances in the tournament have been off the bench; he holds the record for most games without ever starting -18 Won Heineken Cup with Leinster 2012, scoring a try in the victory over Ulster at Twickenham and also scored a try when they lifted the Amlin Challenge Cup the following year at the RDS Scored his first and only test try against Italy in round 4 of the 2014 RBS 6 Nations on the occasion of his 34th cap. Had previously scored in Ireland's non-capped game against Fiji in Limerick in November 2012	RBS 6 Nations	18	-	18	5	1	5	10	2	6
	v Italy	5	-	5	-	1	5	4	-	1
	@ Stadio Olimpico	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
	RBS 6N 2014	5	-	5	-	1	5	4	-	1
	PRO12 2014/15	8	6	2	-	-	-	5	-	3
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	6	6	-	-	1	5	4	1	1

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(17) JAMES CRONIN		TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Munster		Overall	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Born: 23.11.1990 (24) in Ballincollig (Ireland)		RBS 6 Nations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ht: 1.83m (6'0") Wt: 114kg (17st 13lb)		v Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Position: Prop		@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test debut: 14.6.2014 v Argentina (Tucuman)		RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RBS 6N debut: -		PRO12 2014/15	6	3	3	-	1	5	5	-	1
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15	5	3	2	-	-	-	3	-	2
Club debuts: 2012-13 Munster A, 2012-13 Munster											
Originally from Dolphin Club in Cork, awarded a Development contract with the senior Munster squad in 2013 during his second year at with Munster 's Academy											
Played 6 matches for Munster A during their 2012/13 British & Irish Cup campaign which ended with their defeat to Leinster in the semi-finals in Limerick											
Made his Munster first team debut off the bench against their fiercest rivals, Leinster, in Limerick in April 2013											
Selected for the summer tour to Argentina last June making his test debut and only cap to date, off the bench in the 2nd test at Tucuman											

(18) MARTIN MOORE		TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Leinster		Overall	5	-	5	-	-	-	4	-	1
Born: 1.3.1991 (23) in Dublin (Ireland)		RBS 6 Nations	5	-	5	-	-	-	4	-	1
Ht: 1.80m (5'11") Wt: 123kg (19st 5lb)		v Italy	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Position: Prop		@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test debut: 2.2.2014 v Scotland (Dublin)		RBS 6N 2014	5	-	5	-	-	-	4	-	1
RBS 6N debut: 2.2.2014 v Scotland (Dublin)		PRO12 2014/15	3	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15	2	2	-	-	1	5	1	1	-
Club debuts: 2011-12 Leinster A, 2011-12 Leinster											
Represented Ireland U20s in the Junior World Championships in Argentina in 2010 and the U20 Six Nations 2011, where he scored a try against Wales.											
He was in the Leinster A team that beat Newcastle to take the 2013 British & Irish Cup.											
Made his Leinster senior debut against Edinburgh in the PRO12 in April 2012, broke into the team as a regular at the start of the 2013/14 season and won the PRO12 title with them last May											
Ireland Wolfhounds debut came at Kingsholm in January 2014 in their victory over England.											
His appearance against Scotland in RBS 6 Nations round 1 last year was his test debut. He appeared in all five games that tournament off the bench helping Ireland to the title, but hasn't been capped since											

(19) IAIN HENDERSON		TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Team: Ulster		Overall	12	3	9	-	-	-	7	1	4
Born: 21.2.1992 (22) in Craigavon (N Ireland)		RBS 6 Nations	7	1	6	-	-	-	3	1	3
Ht: 1.98m (6'6") Wt: 116kg (18st 3lb)		v Italy	2	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Position: Lock		@ Stadio Olimpico	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Test debut: 10.11.2012 v South Africa (Dublin)		RBS 6N 2014	4	1	3	-	-	-	3	-	1
RBS 6N debut: 24.2.2013 v Scotland (Murrayfield)		PRO12 2014/15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FACTBOX:		CHAMP CUP 2014/15	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Club debuts: 2010-11 Ulster Ravens, 2011-12 Ulster											
Made his Ulster debut as a replacement v Connacht in April 2012, scored a try in his first senior start against Munster in the final PRO12 round game that season. Was a PRO12 finalist in Ulster's 2013 loss to Leinster. Has played only one game for Ulster this season – against Leicester in the European Cup on 24 January.											
Played in all 20 possible games for Ireland U20s during seasons 2011 & 2012; the U20 Six Nations and Junior World Championships in Italy and South Africa											
Was capped for Ireland after only 6 games of Provincial rugby, making his debut in the game against South Africa at the Aviva Stadium November 2012											
Played for Ireland Wolfhounds in their narrow loss to England Saxons at Galway in January 2013, their victory over the same opponents at Gloucester in 2014 and a further loss last week at Cork											
Made his RBS 6 Nations debut against Scotland in round 3, 2013 and his only start in the Championship to date against Italy in round 4 last year.											
Went on tour to Argentina in the summer, playing in 2 tests, but hasn't been capped since.											

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(20) TOMMY O'DONNELL												
Team: Munster		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Born: 21.5.1987 (27) in Tipperary (Ireland)		Overall		6	2	4	1	1	5	6	-	-
Ht: 1.85m (6'1") Wt: 107kg (16st 11lb)		RBS 6 Nations		2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
Position: Back-row		v Italy		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Test debut: 8.6.2013 v United States (Houston)		@ Stadio Olimpico		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RBS 6N debut: 2.2.2014 v Scotland (Dublin)		RBS 6N 2014		2	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-
FACTBOX:		PRO12 2014/15		8	6	2	-	-	-	6	-	2
Club debuts: 2007-08 Munster, 2009-10 Munster A		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		6	6	-	-	1	5	3	-	3
A finalist in the British & Irish Cup when Munster were defeated by the Cornish Pirates in Camborne in 2010, he was named the 2012/13 Munster Rugby Player of the Year.												
Represented Ireland U20s in the Six Nations 2007, playing three games. Made his Ireland Wolfhounds debut in 2013 in their defeat to England in Galway. Also played in the victory against the same opponents at Kingsholm in January 2014.												
Won his first 2 test caps on 2013 summer tour to North America, grabbing a debut try against Canada in Toronto.												
Made his RBS 6 Nations bow off the bench in the round 1 victory over Scotland last year, and was a replacement against Wales in round 2. Added his two most recent caps against South Africa and Georgia in November												
Last summer played in the Emerging Ireland team which won the Nations Cup in Bucharest, scoring tries against Russia and Uruguay												
(21) ISAAC BOSS												
Team: Leinster		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Born: 9.4.1980 (34) in Tokoroa (N Zealand)		Overall		20	7	13	6	3	15	12	-	8
Ht: 1.78m (5'10") Wt: 88kg (13st 12lb)		RBS 6 Nations		5	1	4	1	1	5	3	-	2
Position: Scrum-half		v Italy		1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
Test debut: 17.6.2006 v New Zealand (Auckland)		@ Stadio Olimpico		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RBS 6N debut: 11.2.2007 v France (Dublin)		RBS 6N 2014		3	-	3	-	-	-	2	-	1
FACTBOX:		PRO12 2014/15		9	6	3	-	-	-	5	1	3
Club debuts: 1999 Waikato, 2002 Chiefs, 2005 Hurricanes, 2005-06 Ulster, 2010-11 Leinster, 2012-13 Leinster A		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		5	2	3	-	2	10	3	1	1
Played for Waikato in the NPC final in 2002. Was involved in 2 Super Rugby semi-finals for the Chiefs in 2004 and the Hurricanes in 2005.												
Played for Ireland A in the Churchill Cup, scoring a try in the Irish win in the final v England Saxons 2009. Played for the Wolfhounds also against England over the last four years, scoring a try in the 2014 encounter at Gloucester.												
Won the Celtic League title with Ulster in 2006. Added a second PRO12 title in 2013 playing for Leinster against Ulster and retained it last year against Glasgow												
Joined Leinster and won Heineken Cup with them in May 2011. Was injured when they took the title in 2012 but won the Amlin Challenge Cup with them the following year.												
Made his debut in the RBS 6 Nations in 2007 then did not play again in the tournament until appearing in the opening three rounds off the bench last year. Has not played for Ireland since.												
(22) IAN MADIGAN												
Team: Leinster. Position: Out-half		TEST CAREER		Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
Born: 21.3.1989 (25) in Dublin (Ireland)		Overall		13	3	10	-	1	59	9	1	3
Ht: 1.80m (5'11") Wt: 90kg (14st 2lb)		RBS 6 Nations		3	-	3	-	-	-	1	1	1
Test kicking: 21 from 27 (78%) 9C/12PG/0DG		v Italy		1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
Test debut: 9.3.2013 v France (Dublin)		@ Stadio Olimpico		1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
RBS 6N debut: 9.3.2013 v France (Dublin)		RBS 6N 2014		1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-
FACTBOX:		PRO12 2014/15		10	8	2	-	4	113	6	-	4
Club debuts: 2008-09 Leinster, 2009-10 Leinster A		CHAMP CUP 2014/15		6	6	-	-	-	80	4	1	1
Heineken Cup finalist with Leinster in their victories over Northampton 2011 and Ulster the following season coming off the bench both times. Scored a try in the Amlin Cup final win 2013.												
Represented Ireland U20s in Six Nations 2008 and 2009 and at the Junior World Championships 2008 in Wales and 2009 in Japan												
Made his test debut off the bench in Ireland's 13-all draw with France in round 4 of the 2013 RBS 6 Nations. Appeared in round 5 against Italy and also round 5 against France last season												
Has played for Ireland Wolfhounds against England Saxons for the last four seasons, scoring 9 points, including a try, in their victory at Kingsholm in January 2014												
Has played in Ireland's last 6 test matches scoring a debut try in the 2nd test against Argentina in Tucuman last June.												

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(23) FELIX JONES Team: Munster Born: 5.8.1987 (27) in Dublin (Ireland) Ht: 1.85m (6'1") Wt: 90kg (14st 2lb) Position: Utility Back Test debut: 6.8.2011 v Scotland (Murrayfield) RBS 6N debut: -	TEST CAREER	Caps	Starts	Rep	SNU	Try	Pts	W	D	L
	Overall	9	4	5	-	2	10	6	-	3
	RBS 6 Nations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	v Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	@ Stadio Olimpico	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FACTBOX: Club debuts: 2008-09 Leinster, 2009-10 Munster A, 2009-10 Munster Made his PRO12 debut on the wing for Leinster against Connacht in Galway in February 2008 before switching to Munster and winning the PRO12 title against his old province in Limerick in 2011 Recently signed an extension to his contract with IRFU/Munster keeping him at the Province for another 2 seasons Part of Wolfhounds squad that won the 2009 Churchill Cup in the USA. Also played for the Wolfhounds against Argentina A in 2009, England Saxons in 2014 and skippered them against the same opponents in January Won his first 3 caps in world cup warm up games prior to the 2011 competition, against Scotland and home and away against France Toured to North America in summer 2013 and Argentina last summer, and played in all 3 autumn internationals in November grabbing his first two test tries in the game against Georgia	RBS 6N 2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PRO12 2014/15	7	5	2	-	1	5	6	-	1
	CHAMP CUP 2014/15	5	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	3

Key to the stats:

In the blue box is the players' total test record for his country (excluding Lions).

Caps – total test caps, Starts – number of test starts, Rep – appearances as a replacement, SNU – substitute not used.

The green box is the players' record for his current club this season.

PREM – Aviva Premiership, PRO12 – RaboDirect PRO12, Top14 – France Top14.

CHAMP CUP – European Champions Cup, CHALL CUP – European Challenge Cup.

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