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Pool G: United States – Russia

Head-to-head

- United States and Russia have met 10 times at the World Championship. Russia beat team USA six times and United States won four times.
- Their most recent meeting came in the first round of this year's competition. United States beat Russia 3-1. This was their first win over Russia in 12 years.
- Russia outspiked United States in their defeat - 71-69. Team USA took more points from blocks – 14-11.
- Russia have taken at least one set against United States in nine of their 10 encounters, including the last seven.
- Jordan Quinn Larson-Burbach, joint top scorer in United States' victory over Russia on 29 September, played in Russia for club team Dinamo Kazan last season. Both she and Kelly Murphy scored 20 points each.

United States

- United States have lost back-to-back matches in straight sets for the first time since 3 consecutive 3-0 losses in 1998 (against Cuba, Italy and Bulgaria).
- They have now lost as many sets (six) in their last two matches as in their previous nine World Championship matches combined.
- United States won their first eight matches in this tournament before losing 3-0 to Brazil. United States finished their 2010 World Championship campaign with three straight defeats, a run that started with a defeat against Brazil.
- United States have lost 199 sets at the World Championship and can become the third team with at least 200 sets conceded, after Germany (325) and Netherlands (221).
- At the same time, United States have won 249 sets in World Championship history.

Russia

- Russia have lost three of their last five World Championship matches. The last time they lost three in five was back in 1982-1986. Before these five matches they lost three in 38 matches at the World Championship.
- They can lose four in six matches in the competition for only the second time after 1982.
- Russia have taken at least one set in their last 43 World Championship matches. As Soviet Union, one longer streak occurred – 52 matches in 1952-1974.
- Russia have conceded 11 sets at the 2014 World Championship. Only once did they lose more sets in a single edition: 12 sets in 1982.
- In each of their 16 participations to the World Championship, including this edition, Russia have always finished top six. They can finish in the top four for the 14th time.



Pool H: China – Dominican Republic

Head-to-head

- China are unbeaten in their World Championship meetings with Dominican Republic. China beat Dominican twice in straight sets (2006 and 2010) and once in five sets (2014).
- Their most recent meeting came in this year's second round. Dominican Republic outspiked China 68-65 but scored fewer points from blocks – 7-14.
- Bethania De La Cruz scored a match-high in the competition with 37 points, almost 38% of the total points (98) scored by Dominican Republic in this match.
- Dominican are yet to win their first match against Asian opposition at the World Championship after six defeats.

Dominican Republic

- After winning their first seven matches at the 2014 World Championship, Dominican have lost the last two. Both defeats came against teams from Asia: 3-2 against China and 3-2 against Japan.
- Dominican Republic could become the second country to lose three consecutive World Championship matches in five sets in a single edition. Peru lost three five-setters in a row in 2006.
- Of all six teams in the third round, Dominican Republic have played the most sets in the first and second round combined: 41 sets in total. No other team of the top six has played more than 33 sets.
- Six of their nine matches were played out in five sets, two in four sets and only one in three.
- Dominican have won at least two sets in their last 10 World Championship matches. Before this streak, they only succeeded to win two sets in 12 of their previous 38 matches in the competition.

China

- China lost 3-0 to Brazil on Wednesday, suffering their first back-to-back losses at the World Championship since 2006 when they lost to Russia and Germany in the first group stage.
- They can lose three in a row for the first time since a team record of four consecutive losses in 1994.
- They have never lost back-to-back World Championship matches in straight sets.
- China are one win shy of setting a team record nine wins in a single edition of the World Championship. They currently share a record eight wins in 2014 with eight wins in 1974, 1982 and 1986.
- China are unbeaten in their last 12 World Championship matches against NORCECA sides, including three against Dominican Republic.