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IMPORTANCE OF TYPE OF GOAL TO DETERMINE SUCCESS IN FUTSAL

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Abstract:

With nearly thirty million people practising it around the world (FIFA, 2012), there is a lack of research in futsal from the academic point of view (Moore et al., 2014), particularly in areas such as sport management or match analysis. The objectives of this study were 1) to determine if there are significant differences in the type of goals scored between championship winners and candidates, 2) analyse the relationship between the type of goals according to the type of game and 3) final result of the game. The variables analysed of the goals are: set pieces, faults without wall, type of attack, numerical superiority, numerical inferiority and counterattacks. We analysed 63 qualifying matches for win the title between 2010 and 2014. We recorded and analysed a total of 536 goals. To understand the relationship between the types of goals and winners, candidates, type of match and final result, the Chi-square of Pearson test was performed, considered differences to 95% ($p > 0.05$). The results show no significant relevant differences. There are only differences between the champions and candidates in relation to the numerical advantage. Between winners and losers there are differences in the numerical disadvantage variable. There are no differences regarding the type of game and the type of goals scored. We can say that, the type of goals does not determine the difference between the champions and candidate's teams.

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