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Games of the XXXIII Olympiad

The **2024 Summer Olympics**,^[a] officially the **Games of the XXXIII Olympiad**^[b] and branded as **Paris 2024**, were an international [multi-sport event](#) held from 26 July to 11 August 2024 in [France](#), with several events started from 24 July. [Paris](#) was the host city, with events (mainly [football](#)) held in 16 additional cities spread across [metropolitan France](#), including the [sailing](#) centre in the second-largest city of [France](#), [Marseille](#), on the [Mediterranean Sea](#), as well as one subsite for [surfing](#) in [Tahiti](#), [French Polynesia](#).^[4]

Paris was awarded the Games at the [131st IOC Session](#) in [Lima](#), [Peru](#), on 13 September 2017. After multiple withdrawals that left only [Paris](#) and [Los Angeles](#) in contention, the [International Olympic Committee](#) (IOC) approved a process to concurrently award the 2024 and [2028 Summer Olympics](#) to the two remaining candidate cities; both bids were praised for their high technical plans and innovative ways to use a record-breaking number of existing and temporary facilities. Having previously hosted in [1900](#) and [1924](#), Paris became the second city ever to host the [Summer Olympics](#) three times (after [London](#), which hosted the games in [1908](#), [1948](#), and [2012](#)).^{[5][6]} Paris 2024 marked the [centenary](#) of [Paris 1924](#) and [Chamonix 1924](#) (the first [Winter Olympics](#)), as well as the sixth Olympic Games hosted by France (three Summer Olympics and three Winter Olympics) and the first with this distinction since the [1992 Winter Games](#) in [Albertville](#). The Summer Games returned to the

traditional four-year [Olympiad](#) cycle, after the [2020 edition](#) was postponed to 2021 due to the [COVID-19 pandemic](#).

Paris 2024 featured the debut of [breaking](#) as an [Olympic sport](#),^[7] and was the final Olympic Games held during the [IOC presidency](#) of [Thomas Bach](#).^[8] The 2024 Games were expected to cost €9 billion.^{[9][10][11]} The [opening ceremony](#) was held outside of a stadium for the first time in modern Olympic history, as athletes were paraded by boat along the [Seine](#). Paris 2024 was the first Olympics in history to reach full gender parity on the field of play, with equal numbers of male and female athletes.^[12]

The [United States](#) topped the [medal table](#) for the fourth consecutive Summer Games and [19th time overall](#), with 40 gold and 126 total medals.^[13] [China](#) tied with the United States on gold (40), but finished second due to having fewer silvers; the nation won 91 medals overall. This is the first time a gold medal tie among the two most successful nations has occurred in Summer Olympic history.^[14] [Japan](#) finished third with 20 gold medals and sixth in the overall medal count. [Australia](#) finished fourth with 18 gold medals and fifth in the overall medal count. The host nation, [France](#), finished fifth with 16 gold and 64 total medals, and fourth in the overall medal count. [Dominica](#), [Saint Lucia](#), [Cape Verde](#) and [Albania](#) won their first-ever Olympic medals, the former two both being gold, with [Botswana](#) and [Guatemala](#) also winning their first-ever gold medals. The [Refugee Olympic Team](#) also won their first-ever medal, a bronze in boxing. At the conclusion of the games, despite [some controversies](#) throughout relating to politics, logistics and conditions in the Olympic Village, the Games were considered a success by the press, Parisians and observers.^[c] The Paris Olympic Games broke all-time records for ticket sales, with the Games selling more than 9.5 million tickets (12.1 million including the [Paralympic Games](#)).^[15]

Host selection^[edit]

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The Olympic rings on the [Eiffel Tower](#) in 2024 during the Games. Having previously hosted the 1900 and 1924 Games, Paris did not attempt to host the Olympics again until it bid, unsuccessfully, for the [1992 Games](#) which were awarded to [Barcelona](#). Subsequent bids for the [2008](#) and [2012](#) Games were also unsuccessful, as they were awarded to [Beijing](#) and [London](#), respectively. Undeterred, Paris decided to bid once more for the 2024 edition, which would mark the centenary of its last Games.

The six candidate cities were [Paris](#), [Hamburg](#), [Boston](#), [Budapest](#), [Rome](#), and [Los Angeles](#). The bidding process was slowed by withdrawals, political uncertainty, and rising costs. Boston surpassed Los Angeles, San Francisco, and Washington, DC, for the official U.S. bid. On 27 July 2015, Boston and the [USOC](#) mutually agreed to terminate Boston's bid to host the Games, partly because of mixed feelings among city residents. Hamburg withdrew its bid on 29 November 2015 after holding a [referendum](#).^[16] Rome withdrew on 21 September 2016, citing fiscal difficulties.^[17] Budapest withdrew on 22 February 2017, after a petition against the bid collected more signatures than necessary for a referendum.^{[18][19][20]}

Following these withdrawals, the IOC Executive Board met on 9 June 2017 in [Lausanne](#), Switzerland, to discuss the 2024 and 2028 bid processes.^{[21][22]} The [International Olympic Committee](#) formally proposed electing the 2024 and 2028 Olympic host cities at the same time, a proposal which an Extraordinary IOC Session approved on 11 July 2017 in Lausanne.^[22] The IOC set up a process whereby the LA 2024 and Paris 2024 bid committees met with the IOC to discuss which city

would host the Games in 2024 and 2028 and whether it was possible to select the host cities for both at the same time.^[23]

Following the decision to award the two Games simultaneously, Paris was understood to be the preferred host for 2024. On 31 July 2017, the IOC announced Los Angeles as the sole candidate for 2028,^{[24][25]} enabling Paris to be confirmed as host for 2024. Both decisions were ratified at the [131st IOC Session](#) on 13 September 2017.^[26]