

Exploratory Analysis on 120 years of Olympic History

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References : Pandas Documentation (pandas.pydata.org), <https://stackoverflow.com> (<https://stackoverflow.com>) , [seaborn.pydata.org](https://www.kaggle.com/marcogdepinto) , <https://www.kaggle.com/marcogdepinto> (<https://www.kaggle.com/marcogdepinto>)

Details

We will conduct a guided exploration over the Olympic History dataset. Learning to use some of the most common exploration/aggregation/descriptive operations. Experimentation on data manipulation and analysis using Pandas.

Dataset Details

120 years of Olympic History dataset. From kaggle repository (<https://www.kaggle.com/heesoo37/120-years-of-olympic-history-athletes-and-results> (<https://www.kaggle.com/heesoo37/120-years-of-olympic-history-athletes-and-results>)). The file athlete_events.csv contains 271.116 rows and 15 columns. This dataset begins with the 1896 Athens, Greece Olympics, and runs up to the 2016 Rio, Brazil Olympic Games. Each row corresponds to an athlete competing in an individual Olympic event. The columns of the data-set are:

- ID - Unique number for each athlete
- Name - Athlete's name
- Sex - M or F
- Age - Integer
- Height - In centimeters
- Weight - In kilograms
- Team - Team name
- NOC - National Olympic Committee 3-letter code
- Games - Year and season
- Year - Integer
- Season - Summer or Winter
- City - Host city
- Sport - Sport
- Event - Event
- Medal - Gold, Silver, Bronze, or NA

In [7]:

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# special IPython command to prepare the notebook for matplotlib
%matplotlib inline

#Array processing
import numpy as np
#Data analysis, wrangling and common exploratory operations
import pandas as pd
from pandas import Series, DataFrame

#For visualization. Matplotlib for basic viz and seaborn for more stylish figures
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import seaborn as sns
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Reading Dataset

The Python code below reads the Olympic History dataset into a Pandas data frame with the name df_Olympic. For this code to work, the file 'athlete_events.csv' must be in the same folder as this file.

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In [2]:  
  
#read the csv file into a Pandas data frame  
df_olympics = pd.read_csv('athlete_events.csv', encoding='latin1')  
  
#return the first 5 rows of the dataset  
df_olympics.head()  
  
Out[2]:
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	ID	Name	Sex	Age	Height	Weight	Team	NOC	Games	Year	Season	City	Sport
0	1	A Dijiang	M	24.0	180.0	80.0	China	CHN	1992 Summer	1992	Summer	Barcelona	Basketball
1	2	A Lamusi	M	23.0	170.0	60.0	China	CHN	2012 Summer	2012	Summer	London	Judo
2	3	Gunnar Nielsen Aaby	M	24.0	NaN	NaN	Denmark	DEN	1920 Summer	1920	Summer	Antwerpen	Football
3	4	Edgar Lindenu Aabye	M	34.0	NaN	NaN	Denmark/Sweden	DEN	1900 Summer	1900	Summer	Paris	Tug-of-war
4	5	Christine Jacobsa Aaftink	F	21.0	185.0	82.0	Netherlands	NED	1988 Winter	1988	Winter	Calgary	Speed Skating

Statistical Exploratory Data Analysis

Let us start with getting to know the dataset. Some basic information by using Pandas features.

In [19]:

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#Print the details of the df_olympics data frame (information such as number of rows,columns, name of columns, etc)
num_rows = df_olympics.shape[0]
num_cols = df_olympics.shape[1]
print(">> Details of df_olympics data frame are: \n No. of rows : %s ; No. of cols : %s"%(num_rows, num_cols) )
print("Name of Columns are : ")
print(list(df_olympics))

#Find the number of rows and columns in the df_olympics data frame.

print ("\n>> Total number of rows : %s and Total number of columns: %s" % (num_rows, num_cols))

# Print the descriptive detail (min, max, quartiles etc) for 'Age' column of the df_olympics
print ("\n>> Descriptive details of year column are :- ")
print("Maximum Age of Participant : %s" %int(df_olympics['Age'].max()))
print("Maximum Age of Participant : %s" %int(df_olympics['Age'].min()))
print("Mean Age of Participants : %s" %df_olympics.Age.mean())
print("Median Age of Participants : %s" %int(df_olympics['Age'].median()))
print("10th Percentile (0.1 Quantile) Age of Participants : %s" %df_olympics.Age.quantile(0.1))
print("50th Percentile Age of Participants (MEDIAN) : %s" %df_olympics.Age.quantile(0.5))
print("90th Percentile (0.9 Quantile) Age of Participants : %s" %df_olympics.Age.quantile(0.9))

#Print the number of years from the first game until the last in our data-set, and the number of unique values for 'games'.
num_tot_years = df_olympics.Year.max() - df_olympics.Year.min()
num_uniq_games = df_olympics.Games.nunique()
num_uniq_sports = df_olympics.Sport.nunique()
print ("\n>>In our dataset we have historical data for %s years, for %s unique games and %s unique sports. "
      % (num_tot_years, num_uniq_games,num_uniq_sports))
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>> Details of df_olympics data frame are:
  No. of rows : 271116 ; No. of cols : 15
Name of Columns are :
['ID', 'Name', 'Sex', 'Age', 'Height', 'Weight', 'Team', 'NOC', 'Games', 'Year', 'Season', 'City', 'Sport', 'Event', 'Medal']
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>> Total number of rows : 271116 and Total number of columns: 15
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>> Descriptive details of year column are :-
Maximum Age of Participant : 97
Maximum Age of Participant : 10
Mean Age of Participants : 25.556898357297374
Median Age of Participants : 24
10th Percentile (0.1 Quantile) Age of Participants : 19.0
50th Percentile Age of Participants (MEDIAN) : 24.0
90th Percentile (0.9 Quantile) Age of Participants : 33.0
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>>In our dataset we have historical data for 120 years, for 51 unique games and 66 unique sports.
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Aggregation & Filtering & Rank

In this task, we will perform some very high level aggregation and filtering operations. Then, we will apply ranking on the results for some tasks. Pandas has a convenient and powerful syntax for aggregation, filtering, and ranking. Pandas has built-in functions for all tasks.

In [20]:

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# Find out the total number of female and male athletes that participated on the 2004 Olympics Games
num_female_2004 = df_olympics['Name'].loc[(df_olympics['Sex'] == 'F') & (df_olympics['Year'] == 2004)].nunique()
num_male_2004    = df_olympics['Name'].loc[(df_olympics['Sex'] == 'M') & (df_olympics['Year'] == 2004)].nunique()

print(">> At the Olympics of 2004, there were participating \n%s female and %s male athletes"
      % (num_female_2004, num_male_2004))
'''

print(" No. of female athletes in 2004 Olympic Games : %s " %num_female_2004)
print(" No. of male athletes in 2004 Olympic Games : %s " %num_male_2004)
'''

# Find out the total number of awarded metals for the year 1896, and the year 2016.
num_medals_1986 = df_olympics['ID'].loc[(df_olympics['Medal'] != 'NA') & (df_olympics['Year'] == 1986)].count()
num_medals_1896 = df_olympics['ID'].loc[(df_olympics['Medal'] != 'NA') & (df_olympics['Year'] == 1896)].count()
num_medals_2016 = df_olympics['ID'].loc[(df_olympics['Medal'] != 'NA') & (df_olympics['Year'] == 2016)].count()

print("\n>> The total number of medals awarded in \nYear 1986 (No Olympics) was %s, in Year 1896 was %s , while in Year 2016 was %s"
      % (num_medals_1986,num_medals_1896, num_medals_2016))

# Find out the top 10 athletes with the most gold medals for all years.
goldMedals = df_olympics[(df_olympics.Medal == 'Gold')]
top10_gold_athletes=goldMedals['Name'].value_counts().reset_index(name='Total Gold').head(10)
top10_gold_athletes.rename(columns={'index':'Name'} , inplace=True)
print ("\n>> The top 10 athletes (w.r.t Gold Medal count) for all years are:")
top10_gold_athletes.style.set_properties(**{'text-align':'right'})
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>> At the Olympics of 2004, there were participating
4288 female and 6252 male athletes

>> The total number of medals awarded in
Year 1986 (No Olympics) was 0, in Year 1896 was 380 , while in Year 2016 was 13688

>> The top 10 athletes (w.r.t Gold Medal count) for all years are:

Out[20]:

	Name	Total Gold
0	Michael Fred Phelps, II	23
1	Raymond Clarence "Ray" Ewry	10
2	Paavo Johannes Nurmi	9
3	Frederick Carlton "Carl" Lewis	9
4	Larysa Semenivna Latynina (Diriy-)	9
5	Mark Andrew Spitz	9
6	Ole Einar Bjrndalen	8
7	Usain St. Leo Bolt	8
8	Birgit Fischer-Schmidt	8
9	Jennifer Elisabeth "Jenny" Thompson (-Cumpelik)	8

Visualization

Here we will perform a number of visualization tasks to get some intuition about the data. Using Seaborn for plotting and visualizations.

In [16]:

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sns.set_style('whitegrid')
sns.set(font_scale = 3)
sns.set(color_codes=True)
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
plt.tight_layout()

# Draw a histogram for total number of athletes participated in all Summer Olympic Games.
summerOlympics = df_olympics[(df_olympics.Season == 'Summer')].groupby(['Year']).size().reset_index(name='TotalAthletes')
summerOlympics.style.set_properties(**{'text-align': 'right'})
print(summerOlympics)

g = sns.barplot(x=summerOlympics['Year'], y=summerOlympics['TotalAthletes'] , data=df_olympics)
plt.title(' HISTOGRAM OF \"Year VS Total Athletes\" IN SUMMER OLYMPICS',fontsize=20)
plt.xlabel('Year', fontsize=20)
plt.ylabel('Total Athletes', fontsize=20)
plt.show()

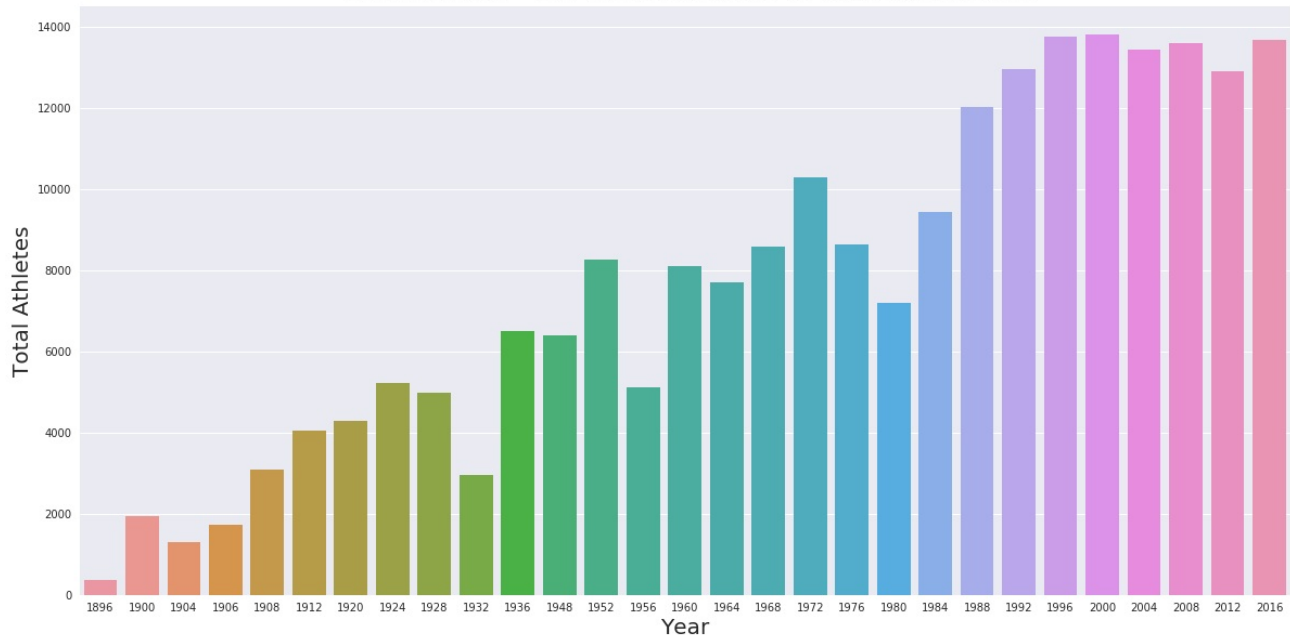
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sns.set_style('whitegrid')
sns.set(font_scale=2)
sns.set(color_codes=True)
plt.figure(figsize=(30, 10))
plt.tight_layout()

athletes = df_olympics.nlargest(100,'Height',keep='first')
distinct_tallest_athletes = athletes['Name'].drop_duplicates().reset_index(name='PlayerName')
tallest_athletes_height = athletes['Height'].drop_duplicates().reset_index(name='PlayerHeight')
df_tallest_player = pd.merge(distinct_tallest_athletes , tallest_athletes_height , on='index').head(10)
print("Top 10 tallest players in Olympics history are :\n",df_tallest_player)
h = sns.barplot(x=df_tallest_player['PlayerName'] , y=df_tallest_player['PlayerHeight'], data=athletes)
plt.xlabel('PlayerName', fontsize=25)
plt.ylabel('PlayerHeight (cms)', fontsize=25)
plt.title('Top 10 tallest players in Olympics history', fontsize=25)
plt.tick_params(labelsize=20)
plt.xticks(rotation=75)
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	Year	TotalAthletes
0	1896	380
1	1900	1936
2	1904	1301
3	1906	1733
4	1908	3101
5	1912	4040
6	1920	4292
7	1924	5233
8	1928	4992
9	1932	2969
10	1936	6506
11	1948	6405
12	1952	8270
13	1956	5127
14	1960	8119
15	1964	7702
16	1968	8588
17	1972	10304
18	1976	8641
19	1980	7191
20	1984	9454
21	1988	12037
22	1992	12977
23	1996	13780
24	2000	13821
25	2004	13443
26	2008	13602
27	2012	12920
28	2016	13688

HISTOGRAM OF "Year VS Total Athletes" IN SUMMER OLYMPICS



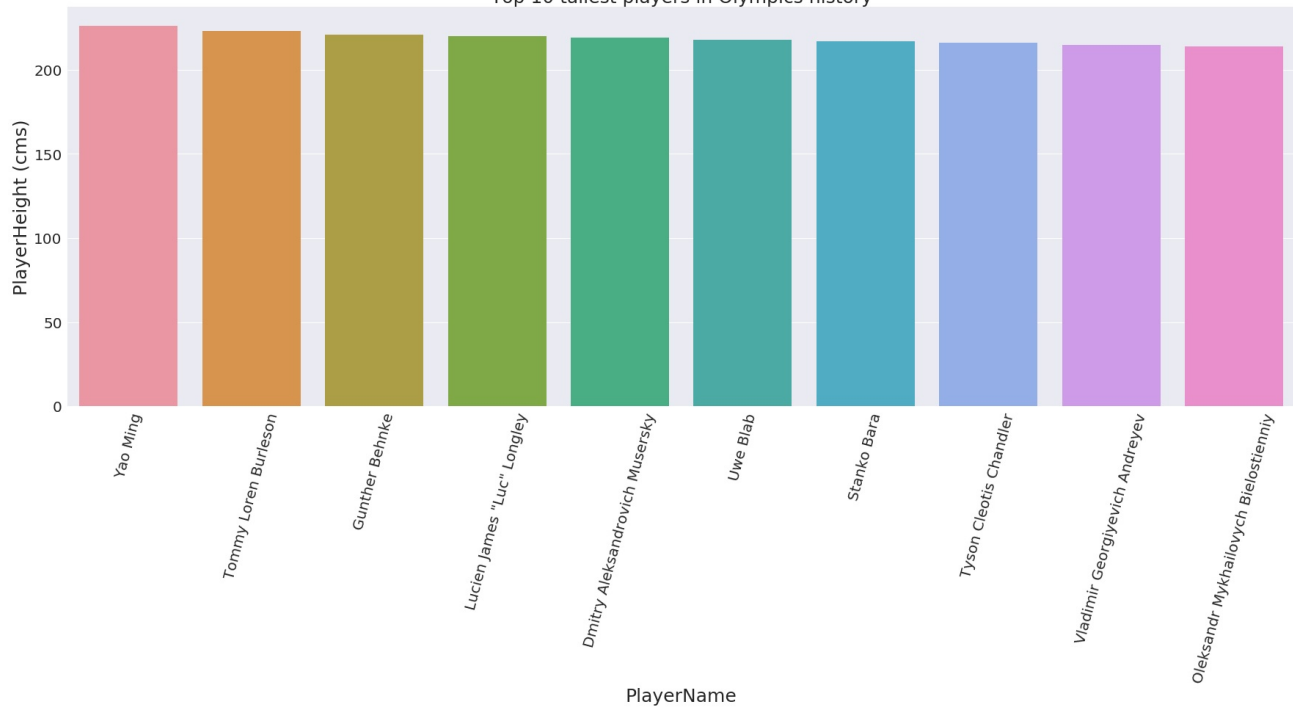
Top 10 tallest players in Olympics history are :

index	PlayerName	PlayerHeight
0	265040 Yao Ming	226.0
1	32376 Tommy Loren Burleson	223.0
2	17669 Gunther Behnke	221.0
3	141983 Lucien James "Luc" Longley	220.0
4	166544 Dmitry Aleksandrovich Musersky	219.0
5	22743 Uwe Blab	218.0
6	14132 Stanko Bara	217.0
7	38381 Tyson Cleotis Chandler	216.0
8	7467 Vladimir Georgiyevich Andreyev	215.0
9	21577 Oleksandr Mykhailovych Bielostienniy	214.0

Out[16]:

(array([0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9]), <a list of 10 Text xticklabel objects>)

Top 10 tallest players in Olympics history



Finally

Let's find out some 'interesting' information from our Olympic History dataset. Also creating visualization for them.

In [21]:

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# VARIATION OF MALE & FEMALE ATHLETES OVER TIME CONSIDERING ONLY THE SUMMER GAMES
''' Following is the line plot of Frequency of Male athletes over time in Summer Olympics '''
MenOverTime = df_olympics[(df_olympics.Sex == 'M') & (df_olympics.Season == 'Summer')]
part = MenOverTime.groupby('Year')['Sex'].value_counts()
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
part.loc[:, 'M'].plot()
plt.title('Line plot of Variation of Male Athletes Count over time')

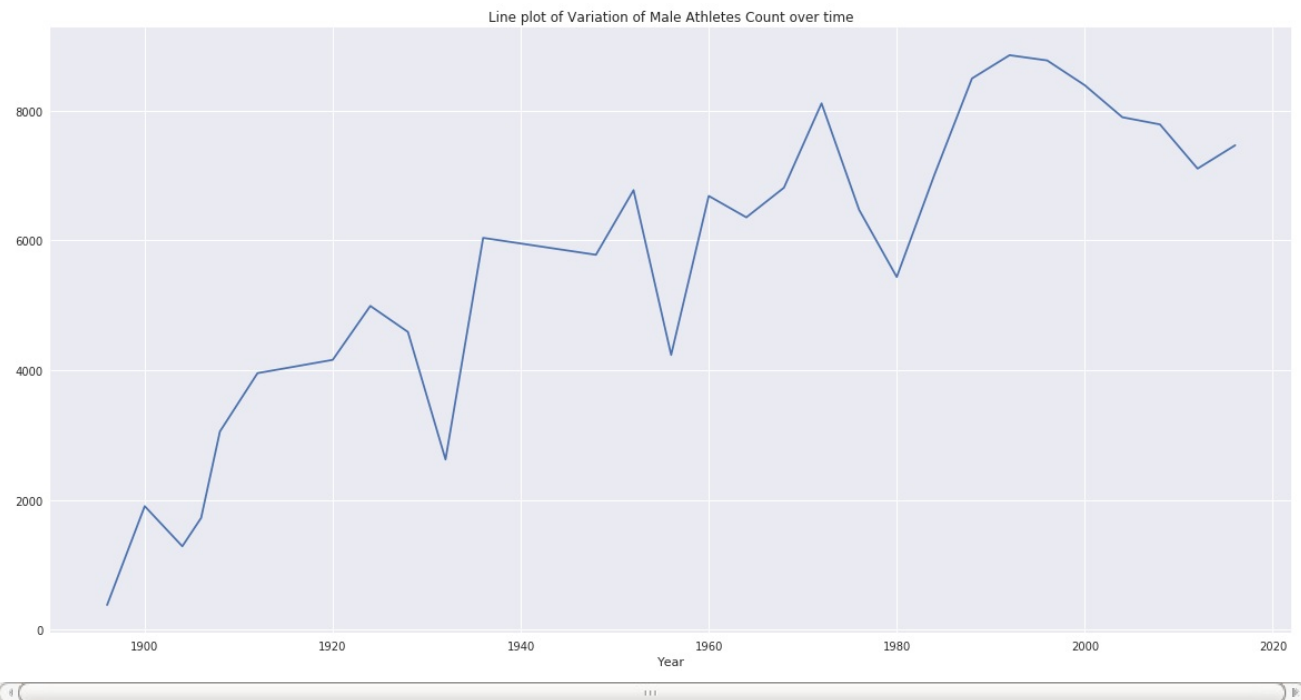
''' Following is the line plot of Frequency of Female athletes over time in Summer Olympics '''
WomenOverTime = df_olympics[(df_olympics.Sex == 'F') & (df_olympics.Season == 'Summer')]
part = WomenOverTime.groupby('Year')['Sex'].value_counts()
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
part.loc[:, 'F'].plot()
plt.title('Line plot of Variation of Female Athletes Count over time')

''' Following is the point plot of Height VS Year for Male Swimmers over the years'''
swMenOverTime = MenOverTime.loc[MenOverTime['Sport'] == 'Swimming']
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
sns.pointplot('Year', 'Height', data=swMenOverTime, palette='Set2')
plt.title('Point plot of "Height over Year" for Male Swimmers over the years')

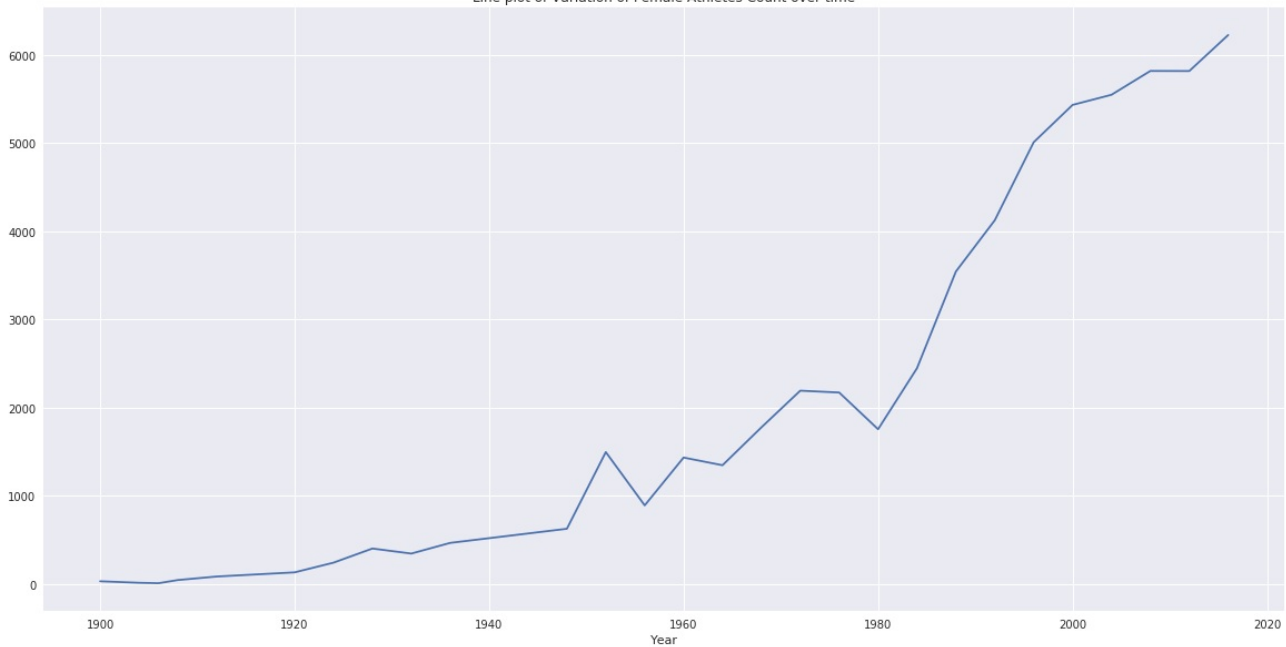
''' Following is the point plot of Height VS Year for Female Swimmers over the years'''
swWomenOverTime = WomenOverTime.loc[WomenOverTime['Sport'] == 'Swimming']
plt.figure(figsize=(20, 10))
plt.title('Point plot of "Height over Year" for Female Swimmers over the years')
sns.pointplot('Year', 'Height', data=swWomenOverTime, palette='Set2')
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Out[21]:

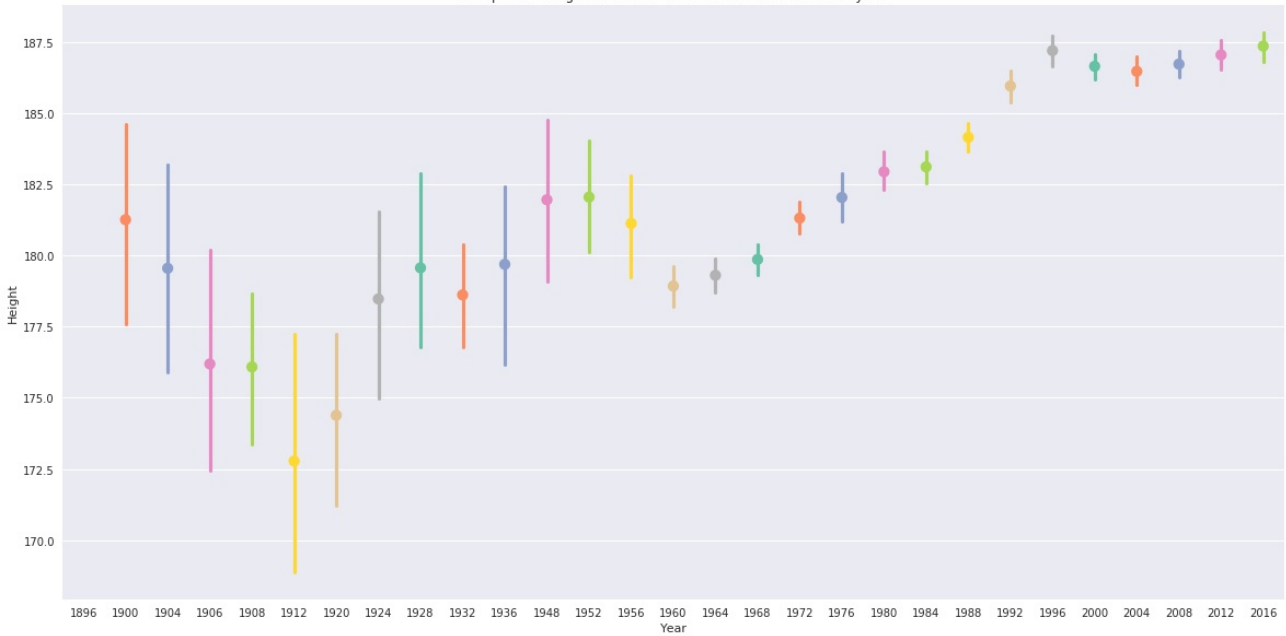
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Line plot of Variation of Female Athletes Count over time



Point plot of "Height over Year" for Male Swimmers over the years



Point plot of "Height over Year" for Female Swimmers over the years

