

Facts about tennis

- Between 1859 and 1865, Birmingham, England
- The modern game of tennis originated in Birmingham, England, in the late 19th century as lawn tennis.
- Traditionally, women wore full length dresses while playing for the Wimbledon tournament.
- The longest match in the history of tennis was played between John Isner and Nicolas Mahut at Wimbledon in 2010. It lasted for about 11 hours.

Facts about volleyball

- The game of volleyball was invented in 1895 by William G. Morgan.
- Most volleyball players jump about 300 times a match.
- Volleyball took some of its characteristics from tennis and handball.
- The longest recorded volleyball game was in Kingston, North Carolina. It took 75 hours and 30 minutes.

Facts about basketball

- Basketball was played by using a soccer ball until 1929
- Slam dunks were illegal for almost nine years.
- Air Jordan 1 shoes were banned in the NBA

- Basketball was first played on December 21, 1891.

Facts about american football

- Football was essentially rugby until 1882, when new rules were established that gave each team three tries to advance the ball five yards.
- The first professional football player was William "Pudge" Heffelfinger. He was paid \$500 to play in a game in 1892.
- The average game attendance for an NFL game is 66,957 spectators. For MLB, it's 30,135 spectators

Facts about soccer

- The first American professional soccer league, the USSA, played from 1919 to 1921 and paid its players 35-cents for every goal scored.
- The national sport of Canada is soccer.
- Soccer was illegal in Mississippi until 1991.
- Soccer is the only major world sport in which you can't use your hands to manipulate the ball or object of play