

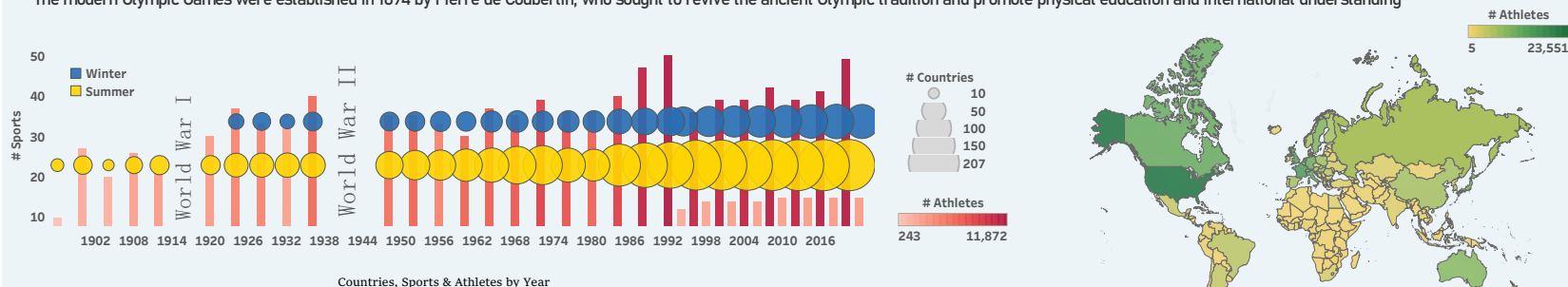


History of Olympics

1896 - 2022



The modern Olympic Games were established in 1894 by Pierre de Coubertin, who sought to revive the ancient Olympic tradition and promote physical education and international understanding



It began with participation from 13 nations competing in 10 sports, and after over 120 years, it has grown to include 207 nations competing in 64 different sports

Most represented countries: The United States and Russia (formerly Soviet Union) are the countries that have competed in the most Summer Olympics, followed by Germany, France and Great Britain

Most medal-winning countries: The United States leads the all-time Summer Olympics medal count, followed by the Soviet Union/Russia and Germany

The decrease in participating countries in 1976 and 1980 Summer Olympics is an impact of political boycotts

In 1976, African and Pacific countries boycotted in protest of the IOC's stance on apartheid in South Africa

In 1980, 64 mainly Western countries boycotted the Moscow games due to the Soviet Union's invasion of Afghanistan

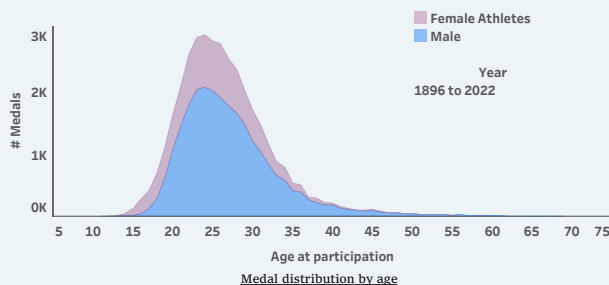
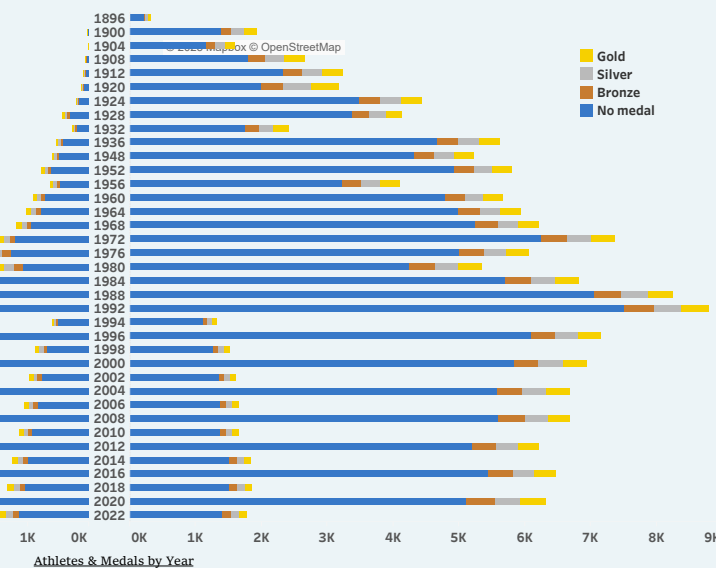
Some smaller countries, such as Jamaica and New Zealand, have produced a disproportionate number of top athletes in specific sports

Some countries, such as Afghanistan and Bhutan, have only recently begun participating in the Olympics, while others, such as Greece and Australia, have a long history of Olympic participation

The number of female athletes participating in the Olympic Games has steadily increased over the years, with women making up approximately 48% of total athletes at the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics

Some countries still have low participation rates for female athletes, many countries have been making progress towards gender equality in sports, with an increasing number of female athletes from around the world representing their countries at the Olympic Games

Female <-----> Male



In recent years, there has been a trend towards younger athletes winning Olympic medals, as training and sports science have advanced and countries invest more resources into developing young talent

However, experienced and seasoned athletes still have a significant impact on the Olympic medal count and can serve as role models for younger generations of athletes

In the Winter Olympics, Norway leads the all-time medals leaderboard, followed by Germany and then the United States

All Sport

Select a sport to visualize the distribution and top countries for a particular sport

Rank	Country	Gold	Silver	Bronze
1	United States	1,175	957	837
2	Russia	471	373	353
3	Germany	352	371	360
4	Great Britain	306	328	328
5	France	272	299	340
6	Italy	263	238	271
7	China	284	231	195
8	Sweden	215	227	241
9	Japan	186	177	208
10	Norway	206	187	173

Top countries by total medals