Tiny Norway Totally Dominating the Winter Olympics

Winter Olympic Games in PyeongChang in 2018

medals
- 1.Gold
- 2.Silver
- 3.Bronze

Countries (ranked): Norway, Germany, Canada, United States, Netherlands, South Korea, Olympic Athletes from Russia, Switzerland, France, Sweden, Austria, Japan, Italy, China, Czech Republic, Finland, Great Britain, Belarus, Slovakia, Australia, Poland, Slovenia, Spain, New Zealand, Hungary, Ukraine, Belgium, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Liechtenstein
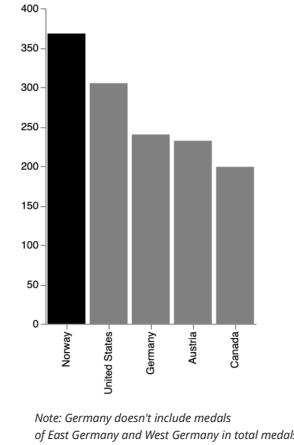
Medals in 2018 as well as in total, Norway won the most.
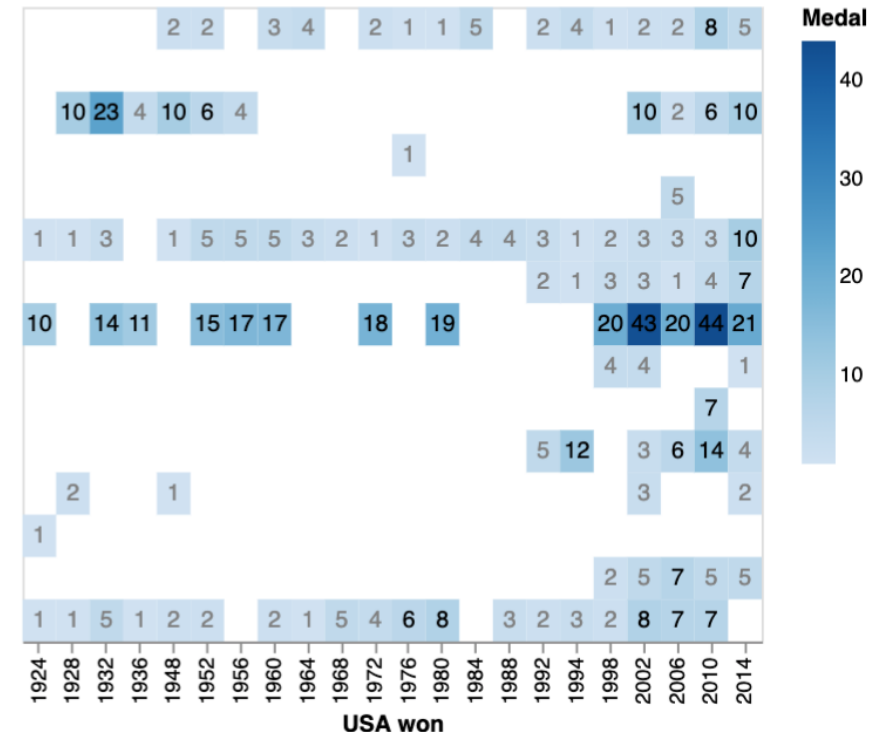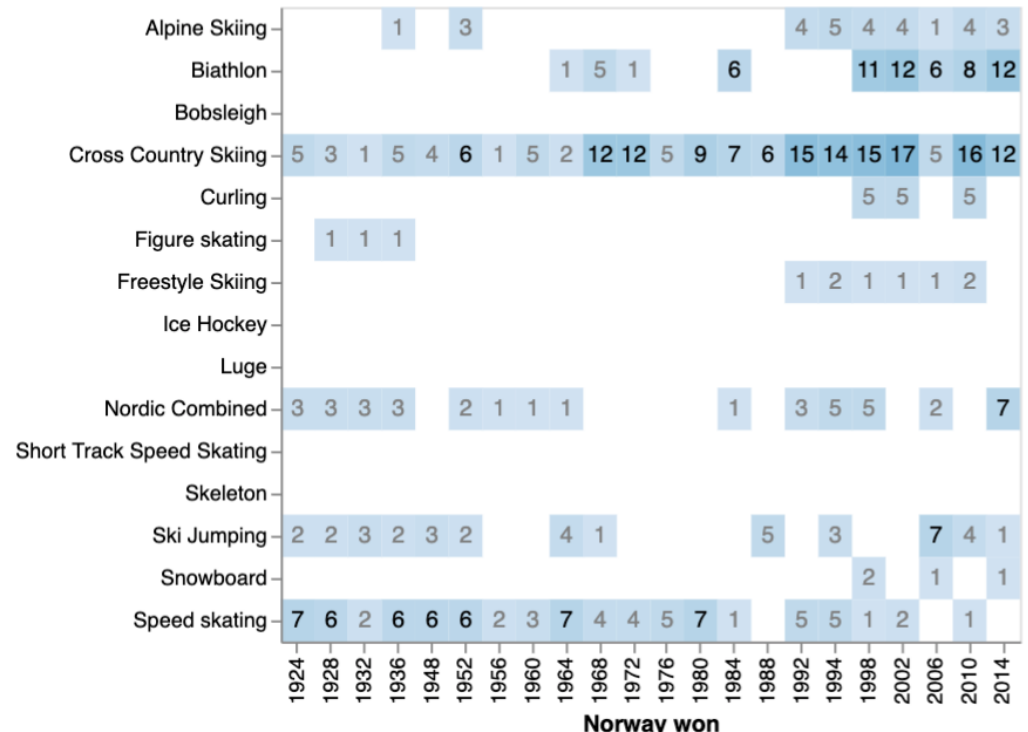
Total winter Olympics medals

Bars: Norway, United States, Germany, Austria, Canada

Note: Germany doesn't include medals of East Germany and West Germany in total medals
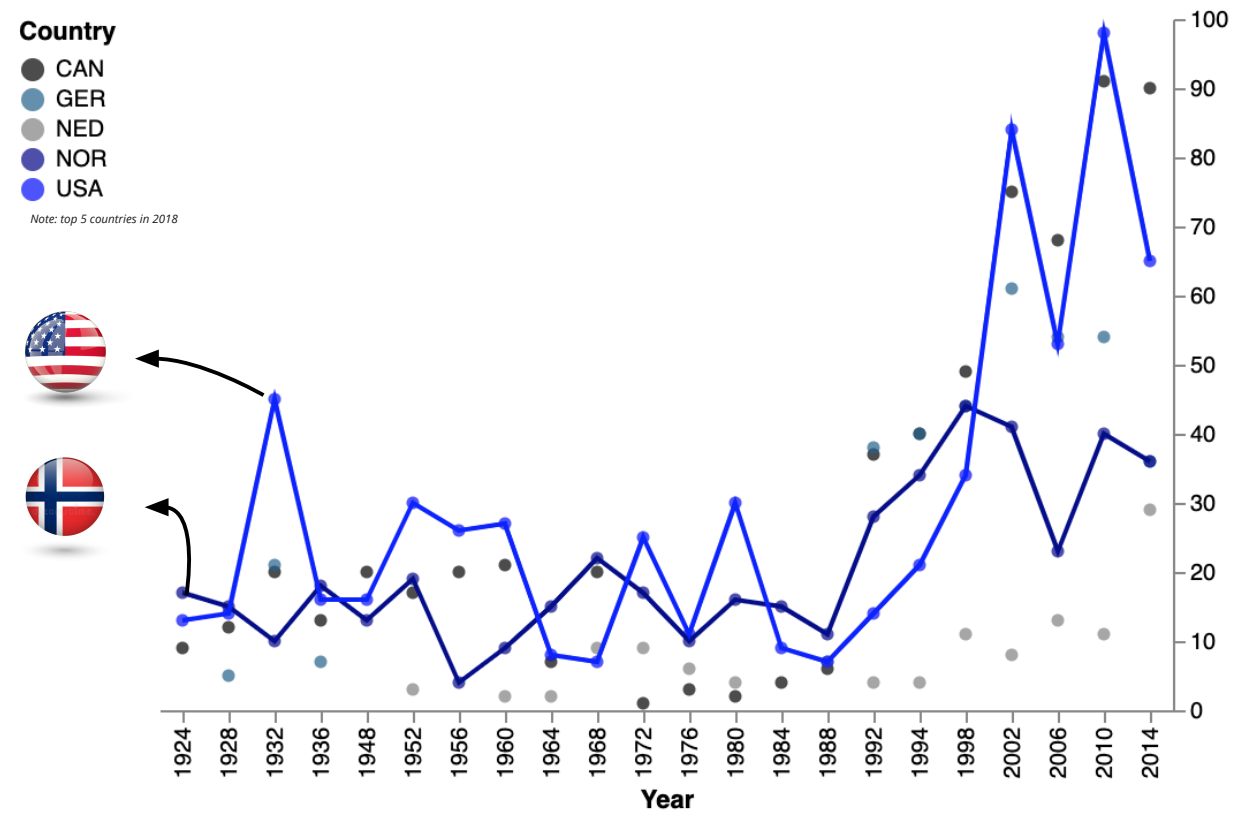
Which sports are they good at? Compare Norway and USA

USA won more medals from Ice Hockey most of the time, while Norway from Cross Country Skiing. They are not overlapping expertises too much.
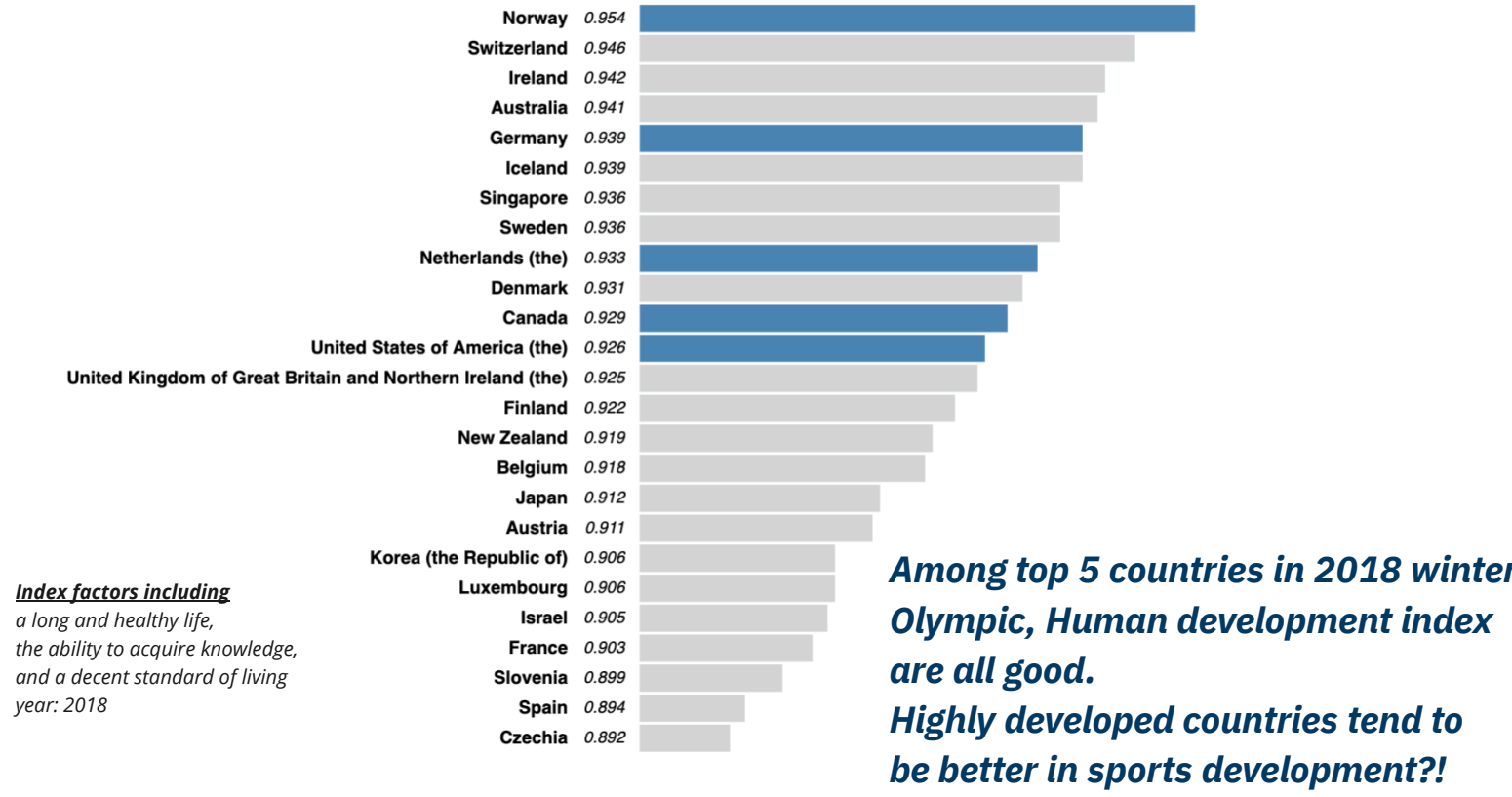
Norway won

Sport	1924	1928	1932	1936	1948	1952	1956	1960	1964	1968	1972	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010	2014
Alpine Skiing				1												4	5	4	4	1	4	3
Biathlon										1	5	1			6		11	12	6	8	12	
Bobsleigh																						
Cross Country Skiing	5	3	1	5	4	6	1	5	2	12	12	5	9	7	6	15	14	15	17	5	16	12
Curling																		5	5	5		
Figure skating		1	1	1																		
Freestyle Skiing																1	2	1	1	1	2	
Ice Hockey																						
Luge																						
Nordic Combined	3	3	3	3				1	1						1		3	5	5	2		7
Short Track Speed Skating																						
Skeleton																						
Ski Jumping	2	2	3	2	3	2			4	1					5			3		7	4	1
Snowboard																	2					
Speed skating	7	6	2	6	6	6	2	3	7	4	4	5	7	1		5	5	1	2			1

USA won

Sport	1924	1928	1932	1936	1948	1952	1956	1960	1964	1968	1972	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010	2014
Alpine Skiing			2	2			3	4		2	1	1	5			2	4	1	2	2	8	5
Biathlon																						
Bobsleigh	10	23	4	10	6	4													10	2	6	10
Cross Country Skiing												1										
Curling																				5		
Figure skating	1	1	3			1	5	5		2	1	3	2	4	4	3		2	3	3	10	
Freestyle Skiing																3	1	3	4	4	7	
Ice Hockey	10		14	11		15	17	17		18		19				20	43	20	44	21		
Luge												4	4						1			
Nordic Combined																			7			
Short Track Speed Skating																5	12	3	6	14	4	
Skeleton						2												3		2		
Ski Jumping	1																					
Snowboard																	2	5	7	5	5	
Speed skating	1	1	5	1	2	2		2	1	5	4	6	8		3	2	3	2	8	7	7	

Medal scale: 10, 20, 30, 40

How many medals did these countries win in the past?

Not just luckily, 2018 is not the first time Norway won more medals than the US did.

Country
- CAN
- GER
- NED
- NOR
- USA

Note: top 5 countries in 2018

Year: 1924, 1928, 1932, 1936, 1948, 1952, 1956, 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972, 1976, 1980, 1984, 1988, 1992, 1994, 1998, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2014

Society development matters?! Human Development Index

This might be a hint that we could investigate Norway's development policy.

Country	HDI
Norway	0.954
Switzerland	0.946
Ireland	0.942
Australia	0.941
Germany	0.939
Iceland	0.939
Singapore	0.936
Sweden	0.936
Netherlands (the)	0.933
Denmark	0.931
Canada	0.929
United States of America (the)	0.926
United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (the)	0.925
Finland	0.922
New Zealand	0.919
Belgium	0.918
Japan	0.912
Austria	0.911
Korea (the Republic of)	0.906
Luxembourg	0.906
Israel	0.905
France	0.903
Slovenia	0.899
Spain	0.894
Czechia	0.892

*Index factors including
a long and healthy life,
the ability to acquire knowledge,
and a decent standard of living
year: 2018*

*Among top 5 countries in 2018 winter Olympic, Human development index are all good.
Highly developed countries tend to be better in sports development?!*