

Speed Skating – 500 metres, Men

Times Contested	21
Total Competitors	554
Total Nations	37

Year	Event	Competitors	Nations
1924	500 metres, Men	27	10
1928	500 metres, Men	33	14
1932	500 metres, Men	16	4
1936	500 metres, Men	36	14
1948	500 metres, Men	42	15
1952	500 metres, Men	41	14
1956	500 metres, Men	47	17
1960	500 metres, Men	46	15
1964	500 metres, Men	44	19
1968	500 metres, Men	48	17
1972	500 metres, Men	38	16
1976	500 metres, Men	29	16
1980	500 metres, Men	37	18
1984	500 metres, Men	42	20
1988	500 metres, Men	37	15
1992	500 metres, Men	43	17
1994	500 metres, Men	40	16
1998	500 metres, Men	42	16
2002	500 metres, Men	38	15
2006	500 metres, Men	37	12
2010	500 metres, Men	39	12

Medals Won by Nations

RankUS	RankEuro	NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Totals
1	1	United States	7	5	4	16
2	3	Norway	3	6	4	13
3	2	Soviet Union	4	5	2	11
4	5	Japan	1	4	4	9
5	11	Canada	-	1	4	5
6	6	Russia	1	2	-	3
7	7	Finland	1	-	2	3
8	4	Fed. Rep. Germany	2	-	-	2
9	8	Korea (South)	1	-	1	2
10	12	Netherlands, The	-	1	1	2
=11	=9	German Demo. Rep.	1	-	-	1
=11	=9	Germany	1	-	-	1
13	13	Sweden	-	1	-	1
Totals (21 events)			22	25	22	69

* Two thirds in 1924/1956. Two firsts/no second/three thirds in 1928. Three seconds/no thirds in 1948/1964. Two seconds/no thirds in 1968.

Most Gold Medals

2	Erhard Keller (FRG)
2	Uwe-Jens Mey (GDR)
2	Yevgeny Grishin (URS)

Most Medals

3	Yevgeny Grishin (URS/210)
2	11 athletes tied with 2.

Youngest Competitors

15-335	Lee Gyu-Hyeok (KOR-1994, *16 March 1978)
17-052	Slavenko Likić (YUG-1992, *25 December 1974)
17-058	Yu Fengtong (CHN-2002, *15 December 1984)
17-062	Gerry Cassan (CAN-1972, *5 December 1954)
17-163	Charles Thaon (FRA-1928, *3 September 1910)
17-276	Gaétan Boucher (CAN-1976, *10 May 1958)
17-361	Heinz Steinberger (AUT-1976, *14 February 1958)
18-025	Gaston Van Hazebroeck (BEL-1924, * 1906)
18-027	Choi In-Chol (PRK-1992, *19 January 1974)
18-085	François Perrenoud (FRA-1968, *21 November 1949)

Youngest Medalists

18-137	Alv Gjestvang (NOR-1956, *13 September 1937)
20-004	Leo Freisinger (USA-1936, *7 February 1916)
20-051	Junichi Inoue (JPN-1992, *26 December 1971)
20-058	Dan Immerfall (USA-1976, *14 December 1955)
20-224	Georg Krog (NOR-1936, *2 July 1915)

Youngest Gold Medalists

21-000	Mo Tae-Beom (KOR-2010, *15 February 1989)
21-006	Sergey Fokichev (URS-1984, *4 February 1963)
21-150	Jack Shea (USA-1932, *7 September 1910)

Oldest Competitors

46-046	Frank Stack (CAN-1952, *1 January 1906)
44-257	Fred Dix (GBR-1928, * June 1883)
42-030	Frank Stack (CAN-1948, *1 January 1906)
40-239	Fred Dix (GBR-1924, * June 1883)
40-152	Charles de Ligne (BEL-1936, *12 September 1895)
39-292	Hans van Helden (FRA-1988, *27 April 1948)
38-298	Ralf Olin (CAN-1964, *12 April 1925)
37-188	Jan Langedijk (NED-1948, *27 July 1910)
37-117	Ab Hardy (CAN-1948, *6 October 1910)
36-345	Zoltán Eötvös (HUN-1928, *5 March 1891)

Oldest Medalists

34-314	Clas Thunberg (FIN-1928, *5 April 1893)
32-318	Yevgeny Grishin (URS-1964, *23 March 1931)
31-340	Ivar Ballangrud (NOR-1936, *7 March 1904)
31-134	Thomas Byberg (NOR-1948, *18 September 1916)
30-296	Clas Thunberg (FIN-1924, *5 April 1893)

Oldest Gold Medalists

34-314	Clas Thunberg (FIN-1928, *5 April 1893)
31-340	Ivar Ballangrud (NOR-1936, *7 March 1904)
28-338	Yevgeny Grishin (URS-1960, *23 March 1931)

Closest Finish in Event

tie	Clas Thunberg (FIN)/Bernt Evensen (NOR) (1928)
0.02	Casey FitzRandolph (USA-2002) (two race series)

Biggest Margin of Victory in Event

0.7	Ken Henry (USA-1952)
0.65	Joey Cheek (USA-2006) (two race series)

Best Finishes by Nations

AUS	=7	Colin Hickey (1956).
AUT	=6	Karl Leban (1936).
BEL	19	Louis De Ridder (1924).
BLR	10	Igor Zhelezovsky (1994).
CAN	2 / Silver	Jeremy Wotherspoon (1998).
CHN	4	Liu Hongbo (1994).
DEN	=29	Aage Justesen (1948).
EST	15	Christfried Burmeister (1928).
EUN	7	Aleksandr Golubyov (1992).
FIN	=1 / Gold	Clas Thunberg (1928).
FRA	=10	Raymond Fonvieille (1964).
FRG	1 / Gold	Erhard Keller (1968); Erhard Keller (1972).
GBR	=16	Archie Marshall (1976).
GDR	1 / Gold	Uwe-Jens Mey (1988).
GER	1 / Gold	Uwe-Jens Mey (1992).
HUN	=14	Janós Kilián (1948).
ITA	9	Ermanno Ioriatti (1998).
IVB	40	Erroll Fraser (1984).
JPN	1 / Gold	Hiroyasu Shimizu (1998).
KAZ	=12	Vadim Shakshabayev (1994).
KOR	1 / Gold	Mo Tae-Beom (2010).
LAT	=14	Alfons Berzinš (1936).
LTU	=28	Kęstutis Bulota (1928).
MGL	28	Dashnyam Luvsanikhagvyn (1972).
NED	2 / Silver	Jan Ykema (1988).
NOR	1 / Gold	Ivar Ballangrud (1936); Finn Helgesen (1948); Bernt Evensen (1928).
POL	9	Jan Józwik (1980).
PRK	=19	Kim Zin-Hook (1964).
ROU	25	Dezideriu Jenei (1984).
RUS	1 / Gold	Aleksandr Golubyov (1994).
SUI	39	Rudolf Kleiner (1948).
SWE	2 / Silver	Hasse Börjes (1972).
TCH	=17	Bohumil Jauris (1956).
UKR	23	Oleh Kostromitin (1994).
URS	1 / Gold	Yevgeny Grishin (1956); Yevgeny Grishin (1960); Yevgeny Kulikov (1976); Sergey Fokichev (1984).
USA	1 / Gold	Charley Jewtraw (1924); Jack Shea (1932); Ken Henry (1952); Terry McDermott (1964); Eric Heiden (1980); Casey FitzRandolph (2002); Joey Cheek (2006).
YUG	35	Behudin Merdović (1988).

500 metres, Men – Olympic Record Progression

45.6	=8	Joe Moore	USA	Chamonix	1924
45.0	5	Asser Wallenius	FIN	Chamonix	1924
44.2	2	Oskar Olsen	NOR	Chamonix	1924
44.0	1	Charley Jewtraw	USA	Chamonix	1924
43.6	=3	John O'Neil Farrell	USA	St. Moritz	1928
43.4	=1	Clas Thunberg	FIN	St. Moritz	1928
43.4	=1	Bernt Evensen	NOR	St. Moritz	1928
43.4	1	Jack Shea	USA	Lake Placid	1932
43.4	1	Ivar Ballangrud	NOR	Garmisch	1936
43.2	=2	Bobby Fitzgerald	USA	St. Moritz	1948
43.1	1	Finn Helgesen	NOR	St. Moritz	1948
40.2	1	Yevgeny Grishin	URS	Cortina	1956

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40.1	1	Richard "Terry" McDermott	USA	Innsbruck	1964
39.69	2	Hasse Börjes	SWE	Sapporo	1972
39.44	1	Erhard Keller	FRG	Sapporo	1972
39.17	1	Yevgeny Kulikov	URS	Innsbruck	1976
38.03	1	Eric Heiden	USA	Lake Placid	1980
36.76	2	Jan Ykema	NED	Calgary	1988
36.45	1 WR	Uwe-Jens Mey	GDR	Calgary	1988
36.39	2	Sergey Klevchenya	RUS	Lillehammer	1994
36.33	1	Aleksandr Golubiov	RUS	Lillehammer	1994
36.30	10r1	Ermanno Ioriatti	ITA	Nagano	1998
35.81	3r1	Casey FitzRandolph	USA	Nagano	1998
35.78	2r1	Kevin Overland	CAN	Nagano	1998
35.76	1r1	Hiroyasu Shimizu	JPN	Nagano	1998
35.59	1r2	Hiroyasu Shimizu	JPN	Nagano	1998
35.15	13r1	Kuniomi Haneishi	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
34.68	3r1	Kip Carpenter	USA	Salt Lake City	2002
34.61	2r1	Hiroyasu Shimizu	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
34.42	1r1	Casey FitzRandolph	USA	Salt Lake City	2002
1:16.56	37	Zsolt Baló	HUN	Nagano	1998
1:14.18	33	Aleksandr Kibalko	RUS	Nagano	1998
1:13.91	30	Davide Carta	ITA	Nagano	1998
1:13.35	23	Marc Pelchat	USA	Nagano	1998
1:13.19	19	Christian Breuer	GER	Nagano	1998
1:12.77	12	Jan Bos	NED	Nagano	1998
1:12.75	11	Michael Künzel	GER	Nagano	1998
1:12.68	10	Roger Strøm	NOR	Nagano	1998
1:11.84	2	Jeremy Wotherspoon	CAN	Nagano	1998
1:11.35	1	Hiroyasu Shimizu	JPN	Nagano	1998
1:10.97	21	Li Yu	CHN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:10.75	18	Dmitry Dorofeyev	RUS	Salt Lake City	2002
1:10.57	17	Choi Jae-Bong	KOR	Salt Lake City	2002
1:10.11	12	Kuniomi Haneishi	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:10.10	11	Dmitry Lobkov	RUS	Salt Lake City	2002
1:09.81	8	Toyoki Takeda	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:09.59	5	Lee Kyu-Hyeok	KOR	Salt Lake City	2002
1:09.49	4	Gerard van Velde	NED	Salt Lake City	2002
1:09.26	2	Hiroyasu Shimizu	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:09.23	1	Casey FitzRandolph	USA	Salt Lake City	2002