

Speed Skating – 500 metres, Women

Times Contested	15
Total Competitors	263
Total Nations	32

Year	Event	Competitors	Nations
1932	500 metres, Women	10	2
1960	500 metres, Women	23	10
1964	500 metres, Women	28	13
1968	500 metres, Women	28	11
1972	500 metres, Women	29	12
1976	500 metres, Women	27	13
1980	500 metres, Women	31	15
1984	500 metres, Women	33	16
1988	500 metres, Women	30	15
1992	500 metres, Women	34	12
1994	500 metres, Women	34	12
1998	500 metres, Women	38	14
2002	500 metres, Women	31	12
2006	500 metres, Women	30	10
2010	500 metres, Women	36	14

Medals Won by Nations

RankUS	RankEuro	NOC	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Totals
1	1	United States	5	4	1	10
2	2	Soviet Union	2	3	5	10
3	5	Germany	1	2	3	6
4	3	Canada	2	3	-	5
5	4	German Demo. Rep.	2	2	1	5
6	8	China	-	2	2	4
=7	=6	Korea (South)	1	-	-	1
=7	=6	Russia	1	-	-	1
9	9	Japan	-	-	1	1
Totals (14 events)			14	16	13	43

* Three seconds/no third in 1968.

Most Gold Medals

3 Bonnie Blair (USA)

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3 Christa Rothenburger-Luding (GDR/111)
3 Karin Kania-Enke (GDR/111)
2 Catriona Le May Doan (CAN/200)
2 Lyudmila Titova (URS/101)
2 Susan Auch (CAN/020)

Youngest Competitors

13-338 Lee Gyeong-Hui (KOR-1972, *9 March 1958)
14-241 Marzia Peretti (ITA-1980, *19 June 1965)
14-288 Kay Lunda (USA-1972, *28 April 1957)
14-298 Lee Nam-Sun (KOR-1976, *14 April 1961)
15-139 Gang Mi-Yeong (KOR-1994, *3 October 1978)
15-167 Krisztina Egyed (HUN-1992, *26 August 1976)
15-258 Cathy Priestner (CAN-1972, *27 May 1956)

15-280 Sarah Docter (USA-1980, *10 May 1964)
16-011 Kim Yu-Rim (KOR-2006, *3 February 1990)
16-157 Anne Henning (USA-1972, *6 September 1955)

Youngest Medalists

16-157 Anne Henning (USA-1972, *6 September 1955)
16-266 Dianne Holum (USA-1968, *19 May 1951)
18-240 Karin Enke-Kania (GDR-1980, *20 June 1961)
18-268 Jenny Fish (USA-1968, *17 May 1949)
19-254 Cathy Priestner (CAN-1976, *27 May 1956)

Youngest Gold Medalists

16-157 Anne Henning (USA-1972, *6 September 1955)
18-240 Karin Enke-Kania (GDR-1980, *20 June 1961)
20-356 Lee Sang-Hwa (KOR-2010, *25 February 1989)

Oldest Competitors

38-163 Tomomi Okazaki (JPN-2010, *7 September 1971)
37-181 Eevi Huttunen (FIN-1960, *23 August 1922)
35-349 Susan Auch (CAN-2002, *1 March 1966)
35-346 Emese Nemeth-Hunyady (AUT-2002, *4 March 1966)
34-228 Chiara Simionato (ITA-2010, *4 July 1975)
34-161 Tomomi Okazaki (JPN-2006, *7 September 1971)
34-039 Svetlana Boyarkina-Zhurova (RUS-2006, *7 January 1972)
33-358 Monika Gawenus-Holzner-Pflug (FRG-1988, *1 March 1954)
33-253 Jennifer Rodriguez (USA-2010, *8 June 1976)
33-220 Lyudmila Kostyukevich (BLR-1998, *8 July 1964)

Oldest Medalists

34-039 Svetlana Boyarkina-Zhurova (RUS-2006, *7 January 1972)
33-065 Monique Garbrecht-Enfeldt (GER-2002, *11 December 1968)
32-334 Wang Manli (CHN-2006, *17 March 1973)
32-068 Christa Rothenburger-Luding (GER-1992, *4 December 1959)
31-350 Susan Auch (CAN-1998, *1 March 1966)

Oldest Gold Medalists

34-039 Svetlana Boyarkina-Zhurova (RUS-2006, *7 January 1972)
31-053 Catriona Le May Doan (CAN-2002, *23 December 1970)
29-338 Bonnie Blair (USA-1994, *18 March 1964)

Closest Finish in Event

0.02 Bonnie Blair (USA-1988)
0.19 Catriona Le May Doan (CAN-2002) (two race series)

Biggest Margin of Victory in Event

0.68 Anne Henning (USA-1972)
0.46 Lee Sang-Hwa (KOR-2010) (two race series)

Best Finishes by Nations

AUS 29 Sophie Muir (2010).
AUT =19 Emese Nemeth-Hunyady (1988).
BEL 27 Linda Rombouts (1976).
BLR 5 Anzhelika Kotyuga (2002).
CAN 1 / Gold Catriona Le May Doan (1998); Catriona Le May Doan (2002).
CHN 2 / Silver Ye Qiaobo (1992); Wang Manli (2006).
CZE 23 Karolína Erbanová (2010).

EUN	15	Nataliya Polozkova (1992).
FIN	=6	Kaija Mustonen (1968).
FRA	13	Françoise Lucas (1960).
FRG	5	Monika Gawenus-Holzner-Pflug (1972).
GBR	30	Kim Ferran (1980).
GDR	1 / Gold	Karin Enke-Kania (1980); Christa Rothenburger-Luding (1984).
GER	1 / Gold	Helga Haase (1960).
HUN	19	Emese Nemeth-Hunyady (1984).
ITA	10	Chiara Simionato (2006).
JPN	3 / Bronze	Tomomi Okazaki (1998).
KAZ	18	Yekaterina Aydova (2010).
KOR	1 / Gold	Lee Sang-Hwa (2010).
NED	4	Andrea Nuyt (2002); Margot Boer (2010).
NOR	=6	Sigrid Sundby-Dybedahl (1968).
POL	=6	Elwira Seroczyńska (1960).
PRK	9	Ko Hyon-Suk (2010).
ROU	21	Mihaela Dascălu (1992).
RUS	1 / Gold	Svetlana Boyarkina-Zhurova (2006).
SUI	=11	Silvia Brunner (1984).
SWE	4	Ann-Sofie Järnström (1980).
TCH	27	Jarmila Štátná (1964).
UKR	27	Lesia Bilozub (1998).
URS	1 / Gold	Lidiya Skoblikova (1964); Lyudmila Titova (1968).
USA	1 / Gold	Anne Henning (1972); Sheila Young (1976); Bonnie Blair (1988); Bonnie Blair (1992); Bonnie Blair (1994).
YUG	30	Bibija Kerla (1988).

500 metres, Women – Olympic Record Progression

46.0	2	Nataliya Donchenko	URS	Squaw Valley	1960
45.9	1	Helga Haase	GDR	Squaw Valley	1960
45.4	2	Irina Yegorova	URS	Innsbruck	1964
45.0	1	Lidiya Skoblikova	URS	Innsbruck	1964
44.75	5	Monika Pflug	FRG	Sapporo	1972
44.45	3	Lyudmila Titova	URS	Sapporo	1972
43.73	*	Anne Henning	USA	Sapporo	1972
43.33	1	Anne Henning	USA	Sapporo	1972
43.12	2	Cathy Priestner	CAN	Innsbruck	1976
42.76	1	Sheila Young	USA	Innsbruck	1976
42.47	4	Ann-Sofie Järnström	SWE	Lake Placid	1980
41.78	1	Karin Enke	GDR	Lake Placid	1980
41.50	3	Nataliya Shive	URS	Sarajevo	1984
41.02	1	Christa Rothenburger	GDR	Sarajevo	1984
40.71	10	Andrea Ehrig	GDR	Calgary	1988
39.12	2 WR	Christa Rothenburger	GDR	Calgary	1988
39.10	1 WR	Bonnie Blair	USA	Calgary	1988
38.75	4r1	Kyoko Shimazaki	JPN	Nagano	1998
38.39	1r1	Catriona Le May Doan	CAN	Nagano	1998
38.21	1r2	Catriona Le May Doan	CAN	Nagano	1998
37.77	7r1	Tomomi Okazaki	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
37.30	1r1	Catriona Le May Doan	CAN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:22.79	=33	Michelle Morton	CAN	Nagano	1998
1:22.43	31	Lyudmila Kostyukevich	BLR	Nagano	1998
1:21.62	29	Chun Hee-Joo	KOR	Nagano	1998
1:20.90	26	Amy Sannes	USA	Nagano	1998
1:20.79	24	Marieke Wijsman	NED	Nagano	1998
1:19.86	=17	Becky Sundstrom	USA	Nagano	1998

1:19.48	15	Anke Baier-Loef	GER	Nagano	1998
1:18.80	12	Shiho Kusunose	JPN	Nagano	1998
1:18.56	11	Eriko Sanmiya	JPN	Nagano	1998
1:18.15	6	Marianne Timmer	NED	Nagano	1998
1:17.45	4	Franziska Schenk	GER	Nagano	1998
1:17.10	3	Tomomi Okazaki	JPN	Nagano	1998
1:16.60	1	Catriona Le May Doan	CAN	Nagano	1998
1:16.31	10	Svetlana Kaykan	RUS	Salt Lake City	2002
1:16.17	8	Marianne Timmer	NED	Salt Lake City	2002
1:15.64	6	Tomomi Okazaki	JPN	Salt Lake City	2002
1:15.19	3	Sabine Völker	GER	Salt Lake City	2002
1:14.75	1	Catriona Le May Doan	CAN	Salt Lake City	2002

*Henning was interfered with on this skate and was allowed to restart.