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Some 10,987 athletes from 169 countries have competed in the IAAF World Cross Country Championships, with athletes from five countries participating in all 40 editions: France, Great Britain & NI (ENG, GBR, NIR, SCO, WAL), Ireland, Spain, and the United States.

The largest edition of the championships was in Vilamoura (POR) in 2000, when 806 athletes (excluding seven declared non-starters) from 76 countries took part. That athletic total may never be beaten now that the format of the championships has reverted from six to four races. The biggest single race was the 1986 senior men’s race with 337 competitors from 50 countries, 39 of which produced scoring teams. The race with the most different countries represented was the 1997 men’s race with 58, 27 of which had scoring teams.

The most medals won by a country is 295 by Kenya, followed by 244 by Ethiopia and 63 by the United States.

The most medals won by an individual athlete is 27 by Kenenisa Bekele (ETH), with 16 golds, nine silvers and two bronzes in 2001-2008. The women’s record is 21 by Worknesh Kidane (ETH) in 1997-2010, including 11 golds, six silvers and four bronzes. The most individual medals is 13 by Bekele and eight by Kidane and Tirunesh Dibaba (ETH), who won five golds and three silvers in 2002-2008.

The most golds won by an individual is 16 by Bekele – including 12 individual and four team medals. The most women’s golds is 14 by T. Dibaba, five of which were individual and nine with teams.


The most medals won at a single championships is four: two individual and two team. This has been achieved 13 times by seven athletes, all Ethiopian. Haylu Mekonnen in 1999, Gete Wami in 2001, Kenenisa Bekele in 2001-2006, Worknesh Kidane in 2003/2005, Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam in 2004, Tirunesh Dibaba in 2005 and Meselech Melkamu in 2006. Now that the short course race has been eliminated, the total of four cannot be matched.

The most medals won as a junior is eight, including three golds, by Vivian Cheruiyot (KEN) in 1998-2001. The most by a junior man is seven, by Boniface Kiprop (UGA) in 2000-2004.

The most team gold medals won is 81 by Kenya, with at least one every year since 1986 followed by Ethiopia 42. The most team medals is 121 by Ethiopia compared with 119 by Kenya.

The longest winning streak in the championships are the 18 successive titles won by Kenya’s men’s team in the long race (1986-2003). The most in women’s events is seven by Ethiopia at the long race in 2002-2008.

The oldest champion and medallist is Jack Foster (NZL), team gold medallist in 1975 at 42 years 297 days. The oldest individual champion and medallist is Portugal’s Carlos Lopes, who in 1985 won the third of his World Cross Country titles at 38 years 34 days. The oldest women’s champion is Edith Masai (KEN), who won the 2004 short course race at 36 years 352 days.

Foster went on to become the oldest ever competitor when he finished 155th in the 1979 race aged 46 years 306 days. The oldest female participant is Sweden’s Ewy Palm, 121st in 1987 at 45 years 50 days.

The youngest gold medallists are all Kenyans, with the youngest of all Elizabeth Cheptanui, junior team gold medallist in 1994 at 13 years 197 days. The youngest individual winner is Lydia Cheromei, 1991 champion at 13 years 317 days. The youngest junior male winner is Ismael Kirui, junior team gold medallist in 1990 at 15 years 32 days.

Individually, the youngest is Robert Kipchumba, 2000 World Junior Cross Country Champion at 16 years 24 days.

The youngest competitor is Su Su-Ning of Chinese Taipei who was 12 years 130 days when she placed 119th in the 1991 junior race. The youngest male is Junior Hines (CAY) who was 13 years 58 days when he also placed 119th, this time in the junior race of 2002. Current IAAF regulations prevent anyone younger than 16 in the year of competition from competing in the championships.

Sweeps of all four individual titles were achieved by Kenya in 1994 & 2010 and Ethiopia 2008, but never in the years where there were three or six races.

Sweeps of all available team titles were achieved by Kenya in 1991, 1993, 1995, 1996 and 2010. In all those years, the Kenyans won team gold in the senior and junior races, men and women. In 2010, Kenya also won all four individual titles. In the six-race format, Ethiopia won five of six titles in 2004, placing second in the other one.

Perfect team scores have been achieved in 11 races, the men’s short course races of 1998 and 2000, the junior men’s races of 1993 2000, 2005, 2007 and 2010, and the junior women’s race in 1993, 2004, 2006 & 2010. On each occasion apart from 2004 (with four to score) Kenyan runners placed first, second, third and fourth to gain a score of 10 points. In 2004 the dominant country was Ethiopia.

The best example of domination in the senior (long) races was in 1988 when (with six to score) Kenyans placed 1-2-3-4-6-17-8-9. For the women, the Kenyan team of 2009 scored a record low of 14 with individual placings of 1-2-4-7. The highest ever score is 1874 by the Maltese men’s team which placed 39th in the 1986 men’s race.


The largest winning margin in the history of the championships came in 1980 in Paris when Grete Waitz finished 44 seconds ahead of the runner-up, Irina Bondarchuk of the USSR. The best by a man was 33 seconds by Kenenisa Bekele in the 2001 junior men’s race. John Ngugi (KEN) won the 1989 senior men’s race by 28 seconds, while the biggest winning margin in the junior women’s race was 27 seconds by Gelete Burka (ETH) in 2005.

The closest finish was in the 1973 men’s race when Pekka Päivärinta (FIN) finished just one tenth ahead of Mariano Haro (ESP), 35:46.4 to 35:46.5. The result of that race was recorded in tenths of a second, but Ferreira went on to win an individual bronze in 1994.

Successful twins have included Grenville & Graham Tuck (ENG), Dionisio & Domingos Castro (POR), Ann Ford & Paula Fudge (Née Yeoman, ENG) and Angela & Susan Tooby (GBR). The Tucks won a total of five team medals including two golds, Domingos Castro competed in 18 championships and won three team medals. Ford and Fudge won six team medals and placed 13th & 14th respectively in 1982, with Ann having finished fourth in 1974 & 1976. The Toobys each won team silvers in the 1988 women’s race, where individually, Angela placed second and Susan 16th.

Kenya and Ethiopia are far and away the most successful countries in the history of the world championships, winning 123 of the 162 available team titles. The two countries have met 124 times where both have fielded full teams, with Kenya beating Ethiopia 80-44.
### SUMMARY OF PAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

**Venues** - 1973: Waremeg BEL (March 17); 1974: Monza ITA (March 16); 1975: Rabat MAR (March 16); 1976: Chepstow WAL (February 28); 1977: Düsseldorf FRG (March 20); 1978: Glasgow SCO (March 25); 1979: Limerick IRL (March 25); 1980: Paris FRA (March 9); 1981: Madrid ESP (March 28); 1982: Rome ITA (March 21); 1983: Gateshead GBR (March 20); 1984: New York USA (March 25); 1985: Lisburn POR (March 24); 1986: Neuchâtel SUI (March 23); 1987: Warsaw POL (March 22); 1988: Auckland NZL (March 26); 1989: Stavanger NOR (March 19); 1990: Aix-les-Bains FRA (March 25); 1991: Antwerp BEL (March 24); 1992: Boston USA (March 21); 1993: Amorebieta ESP (March 23); 1994: Budapest HUN (March 26); 1995: Durham GBR (March 25); 1996: Cape Town RSA (March 23); 1997: Turin ITA (March 23); 1998: Marrakech MAR (March 21/22); 1999: Belfast GBR (March 27/28); 2000: Vilamoura POR (March 18/19); 2001: Ostend BEL (March 24/25); 2002: Dublin IRL (March 23/24); 2003: Lausanne SUI (March 29/30); 2004: Bruxelles BEL (March 20/21); 2005: St Galmier FRA (March 19/20); 2006: Fukushima JPN (April 1/2); 2007: Mombasa KEN (March 24/25); 2008: Edinburgh GBR (March 30); 2009: Amman JOR (March 28); 2010: Bydgoszcz POL (March 28); 2011: Ponte Umbria ESP (March 20); 2012: Bydgoszcz POL (March 24); 2015: Guiyang CHN (March 28); 2017: Kampala UGA

These tables have been revised to include a number of previously unreported non-finishers. Similarly athletes who may have appeared on results as non-starters have now been excluded from totals. In 1998-2003, it was possible for juniors to start in both junior and senior races, so the sum of the rightmost four columns will give a total greater that the number of actual athletes competing in those years. From 2004, the IAAF ruled that junior athletes may compete in one race only, which was also the case up to 1997 and from 2007 when all races were staged on one day. At the 2009 IAAF Congress, it was proposed that the championships should be held every two years, alternating with area championships. This was approved by 132 votes to 32.

### MEN'S MEDALLISTS

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Bronze

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JUNIOR WOMEN

Individuals

1989 4000m Malin Ewerlöf SWE 15:23 Olga Nazarkina URS 15:30 Esther Saina KEN 15:41
1990 4000m Liu Shixiang CHN 14:19 Yan Qingshan CHN 14:20 Susan Chepkemei KEN 14:22
1991 4435m Lydia Cheromei KEN 13:59 Jane Ekimat KEN 14:20 Melody Fairchild USA 14:28
1993 4450m Gladys Ondeyo KEN 14:04 Pamela Chepchumba KEN 14:09 Sally Barsosio KEN 14:11
1994 4300m Sally Barsosio KEN 14:04 Rose Cheruiyot KEN 14:05 Elizabeth Chepngetich KEN 14:15
1995 4470m Annemari Sandell FIN 14:04 Jebet Keitany KEN 14:09 Nancy Kipron KEN 14:17
1997 4688m Rose Koskei KEN 14:58 Prisca Jepteng KEN 14:59 Ayeshe Wario ETH 15:02
1998 6000m Yimerashe Taye ETH 19:32 Jeruto Kiptum KEN 19:34 Workneh Kidane ETH 19:54
1999 6124m Workneh Kidane ETH 21:26 Vivian Cheruiyot KEN 21:37 Yoshiko Fujinaga JPN 21:41
2000 6290m Vivian Cheruiyot KEN 20:34 Alice Timbil KEN 20:35 Viola Kibiwott KEN 20:36
2001 5900m Viola Kibiwott KEN 22:05 Abebech Negussie ETH 22:05 Esther Bacha ETH 22:05
2003 6215m Tirenesh Dibaba ETH 20:21 Peninah Chepchumba KEN 20:22 Gelete Burka ETH 20:28
2004 6000m Meselech Melkamu ETH 20:43 Aikazu Aluye KEN 20:53 Meseret Tadesse ETH 20:56
2005 6153m Gelete Burka ETH 20:12 Vivian Cheruiyot KEN 20:39 Beatrice Chepngetich KEN 20:44
2006 6000m Pauline Korkwiong KEN 19:27 Veronica Nyaruai KEN 19:27 Mercy Kosgei KEN 19:45
2007 6000m Linet Masai KEN 20:52 Mercy Kosgei KEN 20:59 Veronica Nyaruai KEN 21:10
2008 6040m Genzebe Dibaba ETH 19:59 Irene Cheptalei KEN 20:04 Emebet Eta'a ETH 20:06
2009 6000m Gelete Burka ETH 20:14 Mercy Cherono KEN 20:17 Jackline Chepngetich KEN 20:27
2010 5833m Mercy Cherono KEN 18:47 Purity Rionorop KEN 18:54 Esther Chelimo KEN 18:55
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2012 6000m Faith Kipyegon KEN 17:51 Agnes Tirop KEN 17:51 Alemu Herayi ETH 17:57

Silver

USSR
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Kenya
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Eritrea
Kenya
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Bronze

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AGES OF WORLD CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

MEN

Short Course

1998 John Kibowen KEN 28 years 334 days
1999 Benjamin Limo KEN 24 years 216 days
2000 John Kibowen KEN 30 years 332 days
2001 Enock Koech KEN 19 years 354 days

Long Course

1973 Pekka Päiväranta FIN 23 years 317 days
1974 Eric de Beck BEL 22 years 283 days
1975 Ian Stewart SCO 26 years 60 days

2002 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 19 years 283 days
2003 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 20 years 289 days
2004 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 21 years 281 days
2005 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 22 years 279 days
2006 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 23 years 292 days
1976 Carlos Lopes POR 29 years 10 days
1977 Léon Schots BEL 24 years 282 days
1978 John Treacy IRL 20 years 295 days
1979 John Treacy IRL 21 years 294 days
1980 Craig Virgin USA 24 years 220 days
1981 Craig Virgin USA 25 years 238 days
1982 Mohamed Kedir ETH 28 years 196 days
1983 Bekele Debele ETH 20 years 8 days
1984 Carlos Lopes POR 37 years 36 days
1985 Carlos Lopes POR 38 years 34 days
1986 John Ngugi KEN 23 years 316 days
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1988 John Ngugi KEN 25 years 321 days
1989 John Ngugi KEN 26 years 319 days
1990 Khalid Skah MAR 23 years 54 days
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1992 John Ngugi KEN 29 years 316 days
1993 William Sigei KEN 23 years 168 days
1994 William Sigei KEN 24 years 166 days
1995 Paul Tergat KEN 25 years 281 days
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2002 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 19 years 284 days
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2007 Zersenay Tadesse ERI 25 years 44 days
2008 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 25 years 291 days
2009 Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH 24 years 199 days
2010 Joseph Ebuya KEN 22 years 281 days
2011 Imane Merga ETH 22 years 156 days
2013 Japhet Korir KEN 19 years 267 days

Juniors
1973 Jim Brown SCO 20 years 185 days
1974 Rich Kimball USA 17 years 331 days
1975 Bobby Thomas USA 18 years 231 days
1976 Eric Hulst USA 18 years 92 days
1977 Thom Hunt USA 19 years 3 days
1978 Mick Morton ENG 18 years 132 days
1979 Eddy de Pauw BEL 18 years 290 days
1980 Jorge Garcia ESP 18 years 312 days
1981 Mohammed Chouri MAR 18 years 325 days
1982 Zurbachev Gelaw ETH 16/17 years
1983 Feyissa Abebe ETH 18/19 years
1984 Pere Casacuberta ESP 18 years 348 days
1985 Kipkemboi Kimeli KEN 18 years 114 days
1986 Melese Feissa ETH 18 years 105 days
1987 Wilfred Kirochi KEN 17 years 100 days
1988 Wilfred Kirochi KEN 18 years 105 days
1989 Addis Abebe ETH 18 years 195 days
1990 Kipyego Kororia KEN 18 years 89 days
1991 Andrew Sambu TAN 18 years 170 days
1992 Ismael Kirui KEN 17 years 30 days
1993 Philip Mosima KEN 16 years 85 days
1994 Philip Mosima KEN 17 years 83 days
1995 Assefa Mezgebehu ETH 16 years 279 days
1996 David Chelule KEN 18 years 260 days
1997 Elijah Korir KEN 18 years 342 days
1998 Million Wolde ETH 19 years 5 days
1999 Haylu Meckonnen ETH 18 years 358 days
2000 Robert Kipchumba KEN 16 years 24 days
2001 Kenenisa Bekele ETH 18 years 285 days
2002 Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH 17 years 195 days
2003 Eliud Kipchoge ETH 18 years 145 days
2004 Meba Tadesse ETH 17/18 years
2005 Augustine Choge KEN 18 years 58 days
2006 Mang’ata Ndiwa KEN 18/19 years
2007 Asbel Kiprop KEN 17 years 267 days
2008 Ibrahim Jeylan ETH 18 years 292 days
2009 Ayele Abshero ETH 18 years 90 days
2010 Caleb Ndiku KEN 17 years 170 days
2011 Geoffrey Kamworor KEN 18 years 118 days
2013 Hagos Gebrielwet ETH 18 years 317 days

WOMEN
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1998 Sonia O’Sullivan IRL 28 years 114 days
1999 Jackline Maranga KEN 21 years 102 days
2000 Kiptere Dulechra ETH 21 years 210 days
2001 Gete Wami ETH 26 years 104 days
2002 Edith Masai KEN 34 years 354 days
2003 Edith Masai KEN 35 years 360 days
2004 Edith Masai KEN 36 years 352 days
2005 Tirunesh Dibaba ETH 19 years 170 days
2006 Gelete Burka ETH 20 years 69 days

Long Course
1973 Paola Pigni ITA 27 years 77 days
1974 Paola Catcchi ITA 28 years 76 days
1975 Julie Brown USA 20 years 40 days
1976 Carmen Valero ESP 20 years 147 days
1977 Carmen Valero ESP 21 years 167 days
1978 Grete Waitz NOR 24 years 176 days
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1980 Grete Waitz NOR 26 years 160 days
1981 Grete Waitz NOR 27 years 178 days
1982 Maria Puica ROU 31 years 235 days
1983 Grete Waitz NOR 29 years 170 days
1984 Maria Puica ROU 33 years 240 days
1985 Zola Budd ENG 18 years 302 days
1986 Zola Budd ENG 19 years 300 days
1987 Annette Sergent FRA 24 years 125 days
1988 Ingrid Kristiansen NOR 32 years 5 days
1989 Annette Sergent FRA 26 years 122 days
1990 Lynn Jennings USA 29 years 266 days
1991 Lynn Jennings USA 30 years 266 days
1992 Lynn Jennings USA 31 years 264 days
1993 Albertina Dias POR 27 years 336 days
1994 Hellen Chepngetich KEN 26 years 236 days
1995 Derartu Tulu ETH 23 years 4 days
1996 Gete Wami ETH 21 years 103 days
1997 Derartu Tulu ETH 25 years 2 days
1998 Sonia O’Sullivan IRL 28 years 113 days
1999 Gete Wami ETH 24 years 106 days
2000 Derartu Tulu ETH 27 years 363 days
2001 Paula Radcliffe GBR 27 years 97 days
2002 Paula Radcliffe GBR 26 years 96 days
2003 Worknesh Kidane ETH 21 years 128 days
2004 Benita Johnson AUS 24 years 319 days
2005 Tirunesh Dibaba ETH 19 years 169 days
2006 Tirunesh Dibaba ETH 20 years 182 days
2007 Lornah Kiplagat NED 32 years 327 days
2008 Tirunesh Dibaba ETH 22 years 181 days
2009 Florence Kiplagat KEN 22 years 29 days
2010 Emily Chebet KEN 24 years 38 days
2011 Vivian Cheruiyot KEN 27 years 190 days
2013 Emily Chebet KEN 27 years 34 days

Junior Women
1989 Malin Ewerlöf SWE 16 years 290 days
1990 Liu Shixiang CHN 19 years 70 days
1991 Lydia Cheromei KEN 13 years 317 days
1992 Paula Radcliffe GBR 18 years 95 days
1993 Gladys Onyango KEN 17 years 322 days
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17 Conceição Ferreira POR 82-85/97/98/99/2000
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12 Merima Denboba ETH 91-95-97-2003
11 Joelle Debrouwers FRA 74-84

10 17 women

MEDAL TABLES, BY ATHLETE

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1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):

- Great Britain & NI: 324
- England: 10
- Scotland: 2
- Wales: -

**Total** | 15 | 21 | 20 | 56 |

2. Breakdown of USSR placings:

- Team: 9
- Russia: -
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**Total** | 9 | 15 | 13 | 37 |
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**Totals** 7 12 11 30

2. Breakdown of USSR placings:
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1. Breakdown of USSR placings:
- Team 8 4 2 14
- Russia - 6 3 9

2. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):
- England 5 3 4 12
- Great Britain & NI 3 5 5 13
- Scotland - 1 - 1

**Totals** 8 11 7 26

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1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):
- England 2 3 5 10
- Scotland 1 - 1 2
- Great Britain & NI - 1 1 2

**Totals** 4 3 7 14

2. Breakdown of USSR placings:
- Team 1 1 1 3
- Russia - 3 - 3
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1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):
- England 2 3 5 10
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**Totals** 3 3 6 12
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