

The 1964 Olympic Games (Tokyo and Innsbruck)

They will be the greatest of History

At its Athens' Session, the International Olympic Committee has given its final approval of the sports programs of the Games of the XVIII Olympiad in Tokyo and the IX. Olympic Winter Games in Innsbruck. For the Summer Games, the maximum of sports put on the program of the previous Games has been of 18 (demonstration not included). Such was the case in 1920 (Antwerp), 1936 (Berlin), 1948 (London), 1952 (Helsinki), 1956 (Melbourne and Stockholm) and 1960 (Rome). For the Tokyo Games the number of sports will consist of 20, including all 18 sports which were on the Rome program in 1960, with addition of volleyball and judo.

For the Winter Games, the maximum of sports in the previous Games was six (demonstration not included). Such was the case at St. Moritz in 1928 and 1948. In Innsbruck that number will be brought to seven, taking in consideration the addition of the new sport of Luge and the reinstatement of Bobsleigh which was eliminated in Squaw Valley.

In Tokyo, the number of events will be of 161 which is the largest in Olympic annals, the previous high being 154 when the Games were held in Antwerp in 1920. In Rome there were 150 events on the program.

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The list of sports included in the Tokyo Games will be the following:

Athletics	Judo
Basketball	Modern Pentathlon
Boxing	Rowing
Canoeing	Shooting
Cycling	Swimming and Diving
Equestrian	Volleyball
Fencing	Water Polo
Field Hockey	Weight-Lifting
Football	Wrestling
Gymnastics	Yachting
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The program of the Olympic Winter Games in Innsbruck will be as follow:

- Biathlon
- Bobsleigh
- Ice Hockey
- Luge
- Skating (speed and figure)
- Skiing

The number of events will be of 32, while the maximum was reached in Squaw Valley with 26 events.

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In technical field (and others), Games are growing in importance, while the intention of the International Olympic Committee was to reduce them. It has been overwhelmed by the Athens decisions.