

# PARTICIPATION IN WINTER OLYMPIC GAMES

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## INTRODUCTION TO THE PARTICIPATION FIGURES FOR SALT LAKE CITY

In two statistical lists, I have calculated the participation of athletes in the 19th Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, 2002.

In these calculations, I worked closely together with Bill Mallon and Arild Gjerde, and I want to pay tribute to them for their fine help. It was a fine example of Olympic Solidarity.

The first list (below) is an overview of starting athletes by sport, giving the numbers according to the amount of starts each athlete made in the Olympic Winter Games.

There are seven athletes, six men and one woman, who started in two different sports, and in the first list both starts have been included, so that the final figures are lower as shown.

There is one special case which could not be added to this list. It concerns the British athlete Michael

Dixon, who in 1984 and 1988 participated in cross country skiing, and in 1992, 1994, 1998 and 2002 participated in biathlon. He is counted for 4 participations in biathlon in my list, but in fact took part in six consecutive Olympic Winter Games.

The Finnish icehockeyplayer Raimo Ilmari Helminen and the Hungarian/Austrian speedskater Emese Hunyadi also took part in six Olympic Winter Games.

The second list shows the starting athletes by Nationality (NOC) and in this list the double starters are, of course, not calculated and the final figures show the real participation in Salt Lake City. I have mentioned the double starting athletes by name in a separate note.

I may conclude with the information that without the deduction of double starters in different sports, the overall figure for participating athletes in the Olympic Winter Games reached a total of 15,343. Of these 4,373 were women.

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### BY SPORT:

SPORT	1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	TOTAL	Percentage in debutants
Biathlon	94/47	52/23	27/15	16/3	1	-	190/ 88	49.97
Bobsleigh	134/30	34	15	10	2	-	195/ 30	68.72
Curling	76/36	20/11	-	-	-	-	96/ 47	79.17
Icehockey	295/106	141/50	27	3	1	1	468/156	63.03
Luge	61/16	26/ 8	12	8/4	3/1	-	110/ 29	55.45
Figureskating	95/49	38/17	7/4	4/1	-	-	143/ 71	66.43
Short Track	72/34	26/12	10/3	3/2	-	-	111/ 51	64.86
Speedskating	81/34	46/20	24/10	13/6	1	1/1	166/ 71	48.80
Skeleton	39/13	-	-	-	-	-	39/ 13	100
Alpine Skiing	169/170	58/29	26/13	24/9	1	-	278/121	60.79
Cross Country	145/62	66/27	30/13	17/4	2/1	-	260/107	55.77
Nordic Combined	31	16	5	2	-	-	54	57.41
Jumping	39	20	9	5	-	-	73	53.42
Freestyle	62/31	27/10	10/7	6/2	-	-	105/50	59.05
Snowboard	80/32	38/21	-	-	-	-	118/ 53	67.80
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>1473/560</b>	<b>607/228</b>	<b>202/65</b>	<b>111/31</b>	<b>11/2</b>	<b>2/1</b>	<b>2406/887</b>	<b>61.22</b>

### Notes:

- 7 double starts to be deducted: 7 men and 1 woman (see the list with participations per National Olympic Committee)
- The start in earlier Olympic Winter Games in another sport have not been taken into account
- The overall percentage for women = 63.14 percent; for men = 60.11 percent.
- Michael Dixon (GBR) also reached participating in Olympic winter Games, with his two starts in cross country in 1984 and 1988.

## BY NATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

AND	3/ 1	MEX	3
ARG	11/ 3	MGL	4/ 1
ARM	9/ 4	MKD	2
AUS	25/ 12	MON	5
AUT	90/ 19	NED	27/ 13
AZE	4/ 1	NEP	1
BEL	6	NOR	77/ 27 4)
BER	1	NZL	10/ 3
BIH	2	POL	27/ 5
BLR	64/ 20	ROM	21/ 10
BRA	10/ 2	RSA	1
BUL	23/ 10	RUS	151/ 66
CAN	150/ 65	SLO	40/ 16 5)
CHI	6/ 2	SMR	1
CHN	66/ 45	SUI	111/ 30
CMR	1	SVK	49/ 11
CRC	1	SWE	102/ 46
CRO	13/ 5	THA	1
CYP	1	TJK	1
CZE	76/ 19	TPE	6
DEN	11/ 6	TRI	3
ESP	7/ 3	TUR	3/ 1
EST	17/ 3 1)	UKR	68/ 22
FIJ	1	USA	202/ 87
FIN	98/ 36 2)	UZB	6/ 3
FRA	114/ 27	VEN	4/ 1
GBR	49/ 18	YUG	6/ 1
GEO	4/ 1		
GER	157/ 69	Total:	2399/886
GRE	10/ 4		
HKG	2/ 2	Deducted double Starters::	
HUN	25/ 11 3)	1/ EST: 3	Tambet Pikkor
IND	1		Ina Salumä
IRI	2		Indrek Tobreluts
IRL	6/ 1	2/ FIN: 1	Hannu Manninen
ISL	6/ 2	3/ HUN: 1	Imre Tagscherer
ISR	5/ 3	4/ NOR: 1	Ole Einar
ISV	8/ 2	Björdalen	
ITA	109/ 46	5/ SLO: 1/1	Andreja Mali
JAM	2		
JPN	102/ 44		
KAZ	50/ 30		
KEN	1		
KGZ	2		
KOR	46/ 15		
LAT	47/ 5		
LIB	2/ 1		
LIE	8/ 1		
LTU	8/ 3		
MDA	5/ 2		

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