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Baseball
28 July - 7 August

Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Media Guide



TOKYO 2020



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Friends from the Media,

Welcome to Baseball and Softball's highly anticipated and spectacular returns to the Olympic Games.

The last time you would have had the opportunity to cover Olympic Baseball and Softball would have been at Beijing 2008. Today, both sports are governed under one unified, global body - the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC).

Our Olympic comeback will mark a historic moment in the WBSC's short but quickly-evolving history. That return will be made even more special as it takes place in one of our sports' spiritual homes, Japan, where a deep passion for baseball and softball is undisputed.

Equally, we are honoured to have been given the opportunity to open the sporting competition at the Olympic Games, when Japan takes on Australia in women's softball at the Azuma Baseball Stadium in Fukushima on 21 July. Staging softball and baseball games in Fukushima demonstrates how the WBSC can provide a vehicle through sport to inspire hope and regeneration.

Having successfully delivered the final Olympic qualifying tournaments for baseball in June this year, we can now look forward with great anticipation and excitement to the start of our competitions at Tokyo 2020. The six national softball teams and six national baseball teams that made it to Tokyo 2020 are amongst the best-ranked teams in the WBSC Baseball and Softball World Rankings, and we are expecting many more of the brilliant performances that saw these top teams qualify for the Olympic Games.

I want to reassure everyone that the WBSC has worked hand-in-hand with the Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee and the International Olympic Committee to lay out the best possible conditions for the athletes to reach their full potential on the Olympic stage. And I wish all the participating teams and athletes the best of luck. Competing for their country at the Olympic Games will surely be a special and unique moment in their careers.

As we look forward to two exciting softball and baseball tournaments at Tokyo 2020 and to the future editions of the Olympic Games, there are plenty of reasons for all of us to be optimistic about our sports' Olympic future.

Yours sincerely
Riccardo Fraccari

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Riccardo', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the left.

VENUES

Olympic and Paralympic Games Venue Master Plan

Olympic Games Venue Master Plan as of December 2019
Paralympic Games Venue Master Plan as of April 2019

HERITAGE ZONE

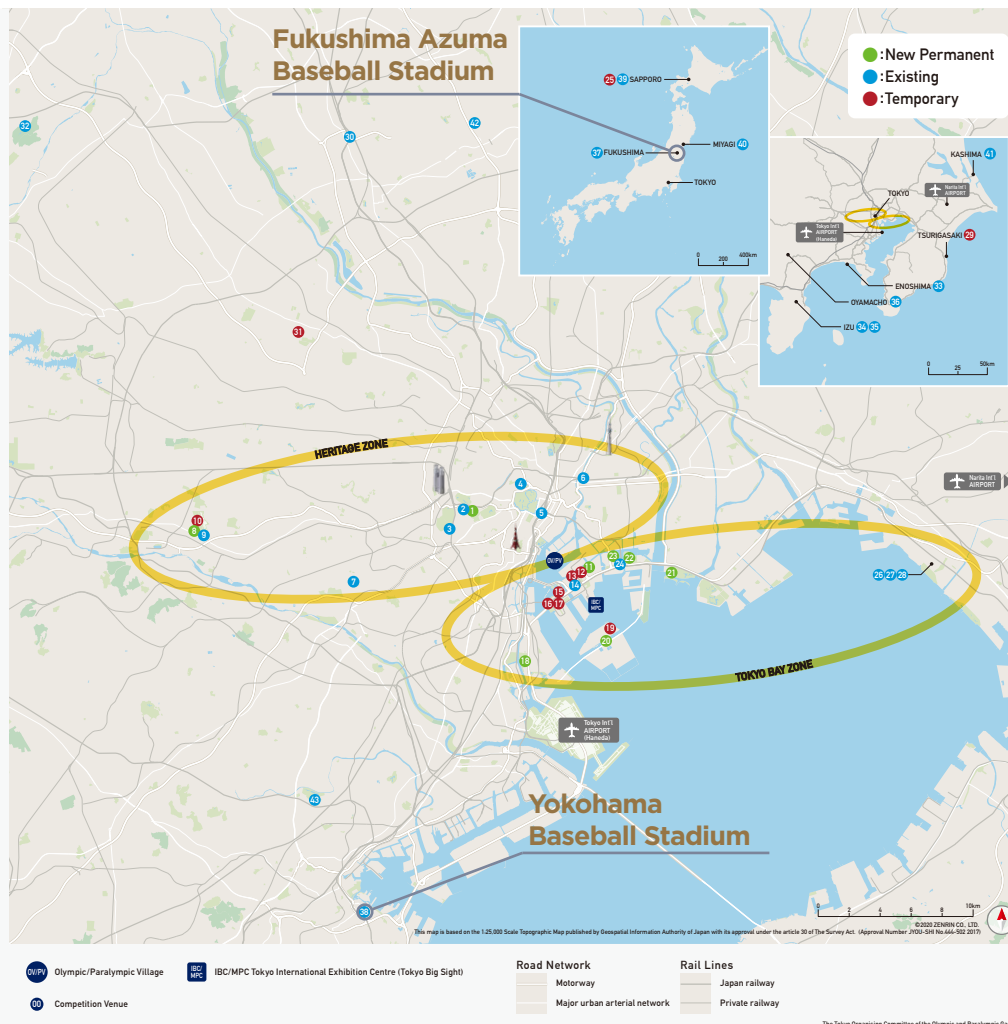
- 1 Olympic Stadium**
□ Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Athletics
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- 2 Tokyo Metropolitan Gymnasium**
□ Table Tennis
- 3 Yoyogi National Stadium**
□ Handball
△ Badminton, Wheelchair Rugby
- 4 Nippon Budokan**
□ Judo
□ Karate
- 5 Tokyo International Forum**
□ Weightlifting
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- 6 Kokugikan Arena**
□ Boxing
- 7 Equestrian Park**
□ Equestrian (Dressage, Eventing, Jumping)
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- 10 Musashinomori Park**
□ Cycling (Road)

TOKYO BAY ZONE

- 11 Ariake Arena**
□ Volleyball (Volleyball)
△ Wheelchair Basketball
- 12 Ariake Gymnastics Centre**
□ Gymnastics
△ Boccia
- 13 Ariake Urban Sports Park**
□ Cycling (BMX Freestyle, BMX Racing), Skateboarding
- 14 Ariake Tennis Park**
□ Tennis
△ Wheelchair Tennis
- 15 Odaiba Marine Park**
□ Triathlon
□ Aquatics (Marathon Swimming)
- 16 Shiohaze Park**
□ Volleyball (Beach Volleyball)
- 17 Aomi Urban Sports Park**
□ 3x3 Basketball, Sport Climbing
△ Football 5-a-side
- 18 Oi Hockey Stadium**
□ Hockey
- 19 Sea Forest Cross-Country Course**
□ Equestrian (Eventing Cross Country)
- 20 Sea Forest Waterway**
□ Canoe Sprint, Rowing
△ Canoe, Rowing
- 21 Kasai Canoe Slalom Centre**
□ Canoe (Slalom)
- 22 Yumenoshima Park Archery Field**
□ Archery
- 23 Tokyo Aquatics Centre**
□ Aquatics
□ Swimming, Diving, Artistic Swimming
- 24 Totsuimi Water Polo Centre**
□ Aquatics (Water Polo)
- 25 Makuhari Messe Hall A**
□ Taekwondo, Wrestling
△ Sitting Volleyball
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- 28 Sapporo Odori Park**
□ Athletics (Marathon, Race Walk)
- 29 Tsurigasaki Surfing Beach**
□ Surfing
- 30 Saitama Super Arena**
□ Basketball (Basketball)
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□ Shooting
- 32 Kasumigaseki Country Club**
□ Golf
- 33 Enoshima Yacht Harbour**
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- 35 Izu MTB Course**
□ Cycling (Mountain Bike)
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□ Baseball/Softball
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□ Football
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- 43 International Stadium Yokohama**
□ Football



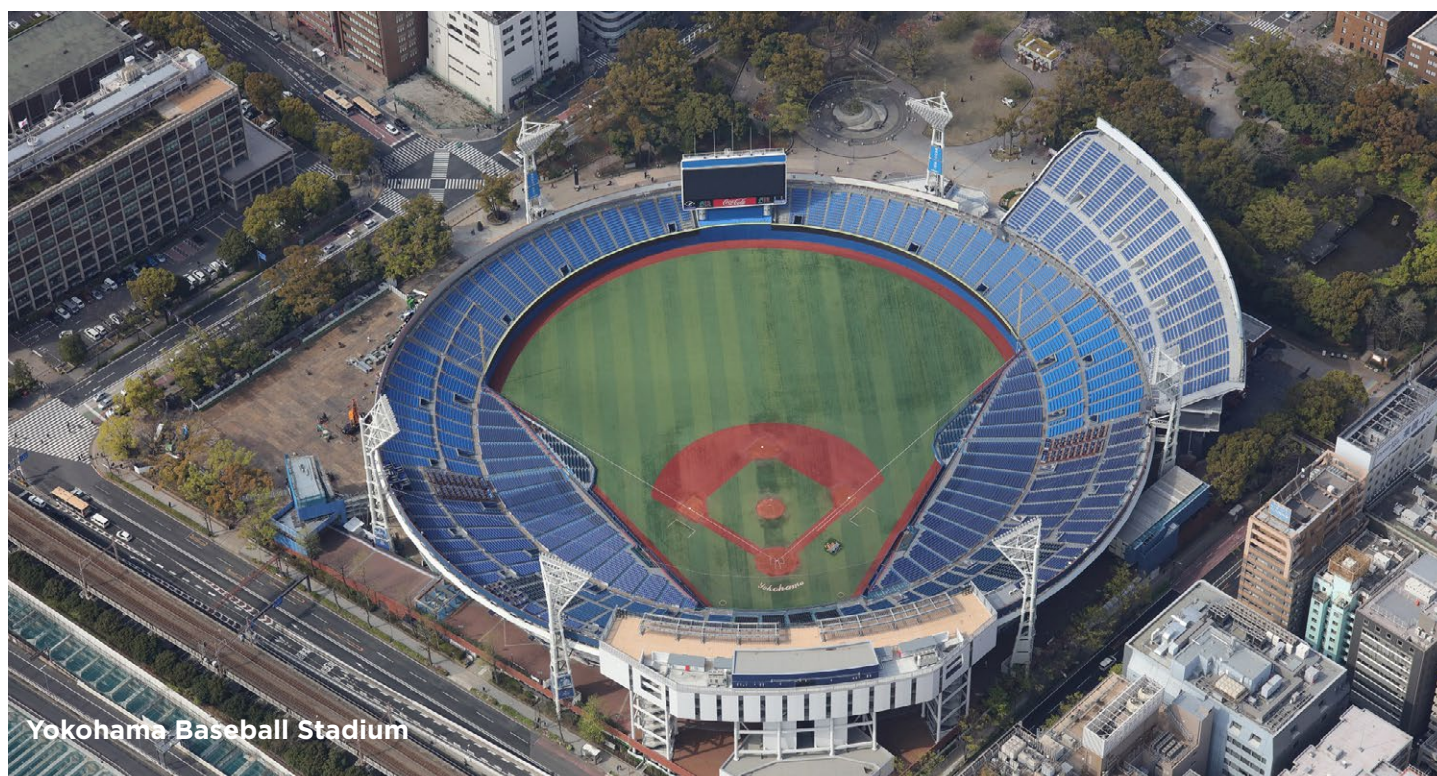
For the first time in history, men's baseball and women's softball events at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games will be staged at the same venues - Fukushima's Azuma Baseball Stadium & Yokohama Stadium - representing a new cost-effective model that has been designed to make baseball and softball more attractive to the International Olympic Committee (IOC) and host cities around the world. Converting an existing stadium's field-of-play from baseball to softball (and vice-versa), which allows baseball and softball to share a venue, has been brought forward under the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC).

The 34,000-seat Yokohama Stadium, home of the Yokohama DeNA BayStars, opened in 1978 and will serve as the main venue for baseball and softball at the Tokyo Olympic Games. It will host the softball medal games on 27 July, and the baseball medal games on 7 August.

Olympic baseball and softball games at Tokyo 2020 will also be played at Fukushima's Azuma Baseball Stadium, a multi-purpose facility, with a capacity of 14,300 spectators. Hosting baseball and softball games in Fukushima represents a vehicle and symbol of Fukushima's rebirth, as the region has been



Fukushima Azuma Baseball Stadium



Yokohama Baseball Stadium

undergoing a continued regeneration following the destructive 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake.

Softball will have the honour of getting the Olympics going with opening games at Fukushima Azuma Stadium on 21 July, two days before the Opening Ceremony.

Ota Stadium will be used from 5 July to 10 August as the official training venue for baseball and softball at

this summer's Tokyo Olympic Games. The 3,223-seat facility features an artificial grass surface.

READ MORE:

[Yokohama Stadium - Test of COVID-19 safety measures](#)

[Yokohama Stadium - Retractable pitcher's mound](#)

[Training venue - Ota Stadium](#)

OLYMPIC RESULTS

SOFTBALL

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2008	2004	2000	1996	EDITIONS PLAYED
Australia	3	2	3	3	4
Canada	4	5	8	5	4
China	5	4	4	2	4
Chinese Taipei	6	6	-	6	3
Cuba	-	-	7	-	1
Greece	-	7	-	-	1
Italy	-	8	5	-	2
Japan	1	3	2	4	4
Netherlands	8	-	-	7	2
New Zealand	-	-	6	-	1
Puerto Rico	-	-	-	8	1
United States	2	1	1	1	4
Venezuela	7	-	-	-	1
Total of Teams:	8	8	8	8	

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
4	2008	JPN	USA	AUS
3	2004	USA	AUS	JPN
2	2000	USA	JPN	AUS
1	1996	USA	CHN	AUS

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
USA	3	1	-	4
JPN	1	1	1	3
AUS	-	1	3	4
CHN	-	1	-	1
Total:	4	4	4	12

BASEBALL

CLICK HERE FOR MORE :

[Olympic Softball History](#)

[Olympic Softball Results - Game by Game](#)

[Olympic Baseball History](#)

[Olympic Baseball Results - Game by Game](#)

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2008	2004	2000	1996	1992	EDITIONS PLAYED
Australia	-	2	6	7	-	3
Canada	6	4	-	-	-	2
China	8	-	-	-	-	1
Chinese Taipei	5	5	-	-	2	3
Cuba	2	1	2	1	1	5
Dominican Republic	-	-	-	-	6	1
Greece	-	7	-	-	-	1
Italy	-	8	7	6	7	4
Japan	4	3	4	2	3	5
Netherlands	7	6	5	5	-	4
Nicaragua	-	-	-	4	-	1
Puerto Rico	-	-	-	-	5	1
South Africa	-	-	8	-	-	1
South Korea	1	-	3	8	-	3
Spain	-	-	-	-	8	1
United States	3	-	1	3	4	4
Total of Teams:	8	8	8	8	8	

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
5	2008	KOR	CUB	USA
4	2004	CUB	AUS	JPN
3	2000	USA	CUB	KOR
2	1996	CUB	JPN	USA
1	1992	CUB	TPE	JPN

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
CUB	3	2	-	5
USA	1	-	2	3
KOR	1	0	1	2
JPN	-	1	2	3
AUS	-	1	-	1
TPE	-	1	-	1
Total:	5	5	5	15

CEREMONIAL FIRST PITCH



The *ceremonial first pitch* is a longstanding tradition baseball and softball in which a guest of honor, before the start of a designated game, throws the symbolic first pitch of the game from (or in front of) the pitcher's mound (baseball) or circle (softball) to a player behind home plate.

The ceremonial thrower may be a notable person (e.g., Olympic medallist, past/current president of a country, dignitary, sport's hero, military leader, celebrity, actor, musician, former baseball or softball great, etc.), or a person who won the first pitch opportunity as a contest prize.

Originally, the guest threw the ball from his/her place in the stands to the pitcher or catcher of the home team. Over the last 50 years, the guest has been invited onto the field of play. The recipient of the pitch is usually a player from the home team.

Pictured: Then-IOC Vice President and current IOC President threw the ceremonial first pitch at the Netherlands vs Australia softball game at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games on 16 August.

KEY RULES

SOFTBALL – RULES AND SCORING

- Each team has a squad of 15 players, with nine players on the field at a time.
- The rules are essentially the same as baseball, with a few key differences:
 - There are seven innings in a game, not nine.
 - There is a smaller playing area and a shorter distance between the pitcher and batter. The bat is no longer than 34 inches (86cm), compared to 42 inches (106cm) in baseball.
 - Pitches are thrown underhand, with the ball released while the wrist is passing the side of the body.
- If the score is tied after seven complete innings, the game continues until one team has outscored the other at the conclusion of a complete inning.
- If two teams are tied on win-loss record, they will be ranked by the result of the game played between them in the opening round.

If more than two teams are tied on win-loss record they will be ranked using the following criteria:

- I. By the results of the games between the tied teams in the opening round.
- II. If they remain tied, their runs against record in the games between them will be used; the team with the lowest runs against record is ranked highest, the team with the second lowest runs against record is ranked next, and so on until only two tied teams remain and they can be ranked by the result of their game in the opening round.
- III. If more than two teams are still tied, their runs against record in ALL of the opening round games will be taken into account. The team with the lowest runs against record is ranked highest.

BASEBALL – RULES AND SCORING

- Two teams of nine players (from a squad of 24) seek to score the most runs by striking a ball with a bat and running round a sequence of bases to reach 'home plate'.
- Teams alternate between batting and fielding during each of a game's nine innings. The designated away team bats first (the 'top' of the inning) and the home team bats second ('bottom' of the inning).
- The teams switch roles once the fielding team gets three opposing players out.
- The fielding team consists of a pitcher, catcher, four infielders and three outfielders. The pitcher throws the ball from a raised mound to the opposing batter standing on the home plate 18.4m away. The batter attempts to hit the ball, while the fielders try to prevent hits and runs.
- The team with the most runs after nine innings wins. If the score is tied, play continues into extra innings until one team has scored more than the other in an equal number of turns at bat.
 - o A 'home run' is when a batter is able to circle the bases and reach home safely in one play – usually due to the ball being hit into the stands.

If teams are tied after the opening round, they will be ranked in the following order of priority:

- I. The team that won the head-to-head game between them.
- II. The Team's Quality Balance (TQB) and game results between the tied teams.

FOR MORE INFO:

[Tokyo 2020 Olympic Softball Regulations](#)
[Official Softball Rules](#)

[Tokyo 2020 Olympic Baseball Regulations](#)
[Official Baseball Rules](#)

THE BALL



SOFTBALL

Mizuno 150 is the official softball competition ball of the Olympic Games.

The ball, previously approved for all international softball tournaments, has a special polyurethane and cork mixed core. It also features a yellow cowhide cover with raised seams.

It shall weigh not less than 178g (6¼ ounces) or heavier than 198.4g (7 ounces) and measures 30.5cm.



BASEBALL

The official Tokyo 2020 Olympic baseball competition ball is the SSK WBSC 540.

The WBSC and the SSK Corporation, based in Osaka, Japan, in 2018 announced a partnership expansion that made the iconic Japanese brand the exclusive official ball supplier for the Premier12 2019 and the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The ball shall be a sphere formed by yarn wound around a small core of cork, rubber or similar material, covered with two strips of white horsehide or cowhide, tightly stitched together.

It shall weigh not less than 142g (5 ounces) or heavier than 149g (5¼ ounces) and measures 23 cm.

OLYMPIC SOFTBALL



WBSC OLYMPIC SOFTBALL COMPETITION WEBSITE

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COMPETITION FORMAT



The Olympic softball event will commence on Wednesday 21 July 2021, at Fukushima Azuma Baseball Stadium, with the Gold Medal Game scheduled for 27 July at Yokohama Baseball Stadium. Softball will have the honour of being the first event to take place at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The six qualified teams -- Australia, Canada, Italy, Japan, Mexico and USA -- will play each other during the Opening Round from 21-26 July. The top two teams in the Opening Round will play for the Gold Medal, while the third- and fourth- place teams will compete for bronze.

Australia will take on the hosts and defending Olympic champions Japan to open the softball event on 21 July, at 9 am (all times Japan Standard Time - JST). This match will serve as the very first official Olympic competition of the Tokyo 2020 Games.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

21-27 JULY 2021

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		VISITOR		HOME	
21 JULY (WED)	#01	09:00	AUSTRALIA	vs	JAPAN Fukushima
	#02	12:00	ITALY	vs	USA Fukushima
	#03	15:00	MEXICO	vs	CANADA Fukushima
22 JULY (THU)	#04	09:00	USA	vs	CANADA Fukushima
	#05	12:00	MEXICO	vs	JAPAN Fukushima
	#06	15:00	ITALY	vs	AUSTRALIA Fukushima
23 JULY (FRI)		20:00	OLYMPIC OPENING CEREMONY		Tokyo
24 JULY (SAT)	#07	10:00	AUSTRALIA	vs	CANADA Yokohama
	#08	14:30	USA	vs	MEXICO Yokohama
	#09	20:00	JAPAN	vs	ITALY Yokohama
25 JULY (SUN)	#10	10:00	AUSTRALIA	vs	USA Yokohama
	#11	14:30	CANADA	vs	JAPAN Yokohama
	#12	20:00	ITALY	vs	MEXICO Yokohama
26 JULY (MON)	#13	10:00	JAPAN	vs	USA Yokohama
	#14	14:30	CANADA	vs	ITALY Yokohama
	#15	20:00	MEXICO	vs	AUSTRALIA Yokohama
27 JULY (TUE)	#16	13:00	BRONZE MEDAL MATCH		Yokohama
	#17	20:00	GOLD MEDAL MATCH		Yokohama

TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

21-27 JULY 2021

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In Game 2 of the Olympic softball event, Italy and top-ranked USA will meet at 12:00 pm.

Game 3, which concludes the first day of competition, features Mexico and Canada at 3 pm.

The Gold Medal Game will be played on Tuesday, 27 July, at 8 pm JST at Yokohama Baseball Stadium, while the Bronze Medal Game will be held at 1 pm JST.

No games are scheduled for Friday, 23 July, with softball athletes joining the Olympic Opening Ceremony. Japan's second Summer Olympic Games are expected to be remembered as a strong symbol of recovery and resurgence, being held after the global outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Olympic softball event is set to play a special role, with the first six softball games scheduled in Fukushima, a region that has been undergoing a continued regeneration following the devastating 2011 Great East Japan Earthquake.

HISTORY OF SOFTBALL

THE ORIGINS

As the tale goes, on Thanksgiving Day of 1887, several alumni sat in the Chicago, Illinois Farragut Boat Club, anxiously awaiting the outcome of the Yale versus Harvard football game. When Yale was announced as winner, a Yale alumnus playfully threw a boxing glove at a Harvard supporter. The Harvard fan swung with a stick. As George Hancock saw it, he yelled "let's play ball".

Hancock was a reporter for The Chicago Board of Trade. He was quick to grab a piece of chalk and mark a home plate, the bases and a pitcher's box. He tied the boxing glove with its own strings to get something close to a sphere and confirmed the broom handle as a bat. The first softball game was played that day.

[FOR MORE DETAILS CLICK HERE](#)

INTERNATIONAL SOFTBALL

1952 - Nick Barack becomes the interim President of the newborn International Softball Federation (ISF).

1962 - Three representatives of the Australian Women's Softball Council (Merle Short, Esther Deason, Marjorie Dwyer) propose a new international competition.

15 February 1965 - Australia calls the first ISF Congress in Melbourne. Bill Kethan is elected as President, and Don Porter as the Secretary General and Treasurer.

1965 - Australia wins the [first-ever Women's Softball World Championship](#) on home soil in Melbourne

1966 - USA wins the first-ever Men's Softball World Championship in Mexico

1977 - IOC Session 79 in Prague, Czechoslovakia, recognizes the sport of softball

1987 - The ISF Congress in Tokyo, Japan, elects Don Porter as the new President.

13 June 1991 - IOC Session 97 in Birmingham, England, votes Women's Softball a medal sport in the Atlanta 1996 Olympic Games.

7 July 2005 - IOC Session 117 in Singapore votes on the revision of the Olympic programme. The voting on softball results in a 52-52 tie.

2008 - The Games of Beijing will be the last to feature softball on the programme.

October 2009 - The IOC Session 121 in Copenhagen, Denmark, included golf and rugby 7 in the programme. Softball had been excluded from the voting by the IOC Executive Board

2012 - ISF Extra-Ordinary Congress in Houston, Texas, USA, approves to unite forces with the International Baseball Federation (IBAF)

31 October 2013 - The ISF Congress in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, elects Dale McMann (Canada) as the new President

2017 - The II WBSC Congress in Botswana elects Tommy Velazquez (Puerto Rico) as the new WBSC Softball Chairman

2019 - The inaugural U-12 Mixed Softball World Cup is held in Taiwan.

[FOR MORE DETAILS CLICK HERE](#)

HISTORY OF OLYMPIC SOFTBALL



The then International Softball Federation (ISF) Secretary General Don Porter reached out for the first time to the International Olympic Committee in 1965 about the sport's chances to be added onto the Olympics medal programme. The feedback he received from IOC Secretariat was not really promising: "the tendency is to reduce than augment the programme".

During the 1968 Olympics, IOC President Avery Brundage told Porter that "the process was going to be very long". He gave him some advice: "You've got to be patient."

Patient is what Don Porter and softball proved to be. The sport was voted onto the programme of the 1996 Summer Olympics on 13 June 1991. The date is now celebrated annually as World Softball Day.

The 1996 Atlanta Olympics softball event was a success. The 32 games were sold out and softball ranked 15th (out of 37 events) with 120,000 spectators. A total of 160 media representatives witnessed a controversial gold medal game. It was the first of four consecutive appearances in the Games.

Softball was voted out of the 2012 Olympic Programme on 7 July 2005. The IOC vote on softball actually resulted in a 52-52 tie. After being excluded at the 2012 and 2016 Olympic Games, softball's Olympic return was proposed by the Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee on 22 June 2015 and formally approved by the IOC on 3 August 2016.

OLYMPIC RESULTS

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1996 - ATLANTA

21 - 30 July

FINAL STANDING

Gold USA

Silver China

Bronze Australia

4. Japan

5. Canada

6. Chinese Taipei

7. Netherlands

8. Puerto Rico

PRELIMINARY ROUND

PUR - USA	0-10 (6)	
TPE - CAN	1-2 (10)	
CHN - AUS	6-0	
JPN - NED	3-0	21/7
AUS - TPE	4-0	
CHN - JPN	0-3	
PUR - CAN	0-4	
NED - USA	0-9	22/7
CHN - CAN	2-1	
TPE - NED	7-1	
JPN - USA	1-6	
AUS - PUR	0-2	23/7
TPE - USA	0-4	
CHN - PUR	10-0 (5)	
AUS - NED	1-0 (8)	
CAN - JPN	0-4	24/7
NED - CHN	0-8	
AUS - JPN	10-0	
PUR - TPE	2-10	
USA - CAN	4-2	25/7
JPN - PUR	8-1	
USA - AUS	1-2 (10)	
NED - CAN	1-4	
CHN - TPE	1-0	26/7
CAN - AUS	2-5	
NED - PUR	2-0	
CHN - USA	2-3	
JPN - TPE	5-1	27/7

29/7 SEMIFINAL	CHN - USA	0-1 (10)
SEMIFINAL	AUS - JPN	3-0
30/7 BRONZE	CHN - AUS	4-2
GOLD	CHN - USA	1-3

2000 - SYDNEY

17 - 26 September

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** USA
Silver Japan
Bronze Australia
4. China
5. Italy
6. New Zealand
7. Cuba
8. Canada

PRELIMINARY ROUND

CAN - USA	0-6	
ITA - CHN	0-5	
CUB - JPN	1-4	
NZL - AUS	2-3 (10)	17/9
CHN - JPN	1-3	
CUB - USA	0-3	
NZL - CAN	3-2 (10)	
AUS - ITA	7-0	18/9
JPN - USA	2-1 (11)	
ITA - CUB	1-0	
NZL - CHN	0-10 (6)	
AUS - CAN	1-0	19/9
NZL - CUB	6-2	
JPN - AUS	1-0 (8)	
CAN - ITA	7-1	
CHN - USA	2-0 (14)	20/9
NZL - ITA	0-1	
USA - AUS	1-2 (13)	
CUB - CHN	0-7	
JPN - CAN	4-3 (10)	21/9
USA - NZL	2-0	
CAN - CUB	1-2	
CHN - AUS	0-1	
JPN - ITA	2-0	22/9
AUS - CUB	8-1	
CHN - CAN	1-0	
NZL - JPN	1-2	
USA - ITA	6-0	23/9

- 25/9 SEMIFINAL** JPN - AUS 1-0
SEMIFINAL CHN - USA 0-3 (10)
FINAL AUS - USA 0-1
26/9 GOLD JPN - USA 1-2 (8)

2004 - ATHENS

14 - 23 September

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** USA
Silver Australia
Bronze Japan
4. China
5. Canada
6. Chinese Taipei
7. Greece
8. Italy

PRELIMINARY ROUND

AUS - JPN	4-2	
ITA - USA	0-7 (5)	
TPE - CAN	0-2	
GRE - CHN	0-5	14/8
TPE - JPN	0-6	
ITA - CHN	7-5	
AUS - USA	0-10 (5)	
CAN - GRE	0-2	15/8
CHN - CAN	4-2	
USA - JPN	3-0	
ITA - GRE	1-2	
TPE - AUS	0-1	16/8
CHN - USA	0-4	
CAN - JPN	1-0	
TPE - GRE	2-0	
AUS - ITA	8-0 (5)	17/8
ITA - TPE	0-1	
AUS - CHN	5-0	
CAN - USA	0-7 (5)	
JPN - GRE	6-0	18/8
TPE - CHN	0-1	
GRE - USA	0-7 (5)	
ITA - JPN	0-1	
AUS - CAN	1-0	19/8
ITA - CAN	0-1	
TPE - USA	0-3	
GRE - AUS	2-3	
CHN - JPN	0-2	20/8

- 22/8 SEMIFINAL** USA - AUS 5-0
SEMIFINAL CHN - JPN 0-1 (8)
FINAL AUS - JPN 3-0
23/8 GOLD USA - AUS 5-1

2008 - BEIJING

12 - 21 August

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** Japan
Silver USA
Bronze Australia
4. Canada
5. Chinese Taipei
6. China
7. Venezuela
8. Netherlands

PRELIMINARY ROUND

TPE - CAN	1-6	
VEN - USA	0-11 (5)	
NED - CHN	2-10	
JPN - AUS	4-3	12/8
VEN - CHN	1-7	
USA - AUS	3-0	
TPE - JPN	1-2	
NED - CAN	2-9 (6)	13/8
CHN - AUS	1-3	
JPN - NED	3-0	
TPE - VEN	3-0	14/8
CHN - CAN	0-1	
JPN - USA	0-7 (5)	
CAN - USA	1-8	
TPE - AUS	1-3	
VEN - NED	8-0 (5)	15/8
CHN - JPN	0-3	
USA - TPE	7-0 (5)	
NED - AUS	0-8	
CAN - VEN	0-2	16/8
CHN - TPE	1-2	
JPN - VEN	5-2	
CAN - AUS	0-4	
USA - NED	8-0 (5)	17/8
NED - TPE	4-2	
USA - CHN	9-0 (5)	
CAN - JPN	0-6	
VEN - AUS	2-9 (5)	18/8

- 20/8 SEMIFINAL** USA - JPN 4-1
SEMIFINAL AUS - CAN 5-3
FINAL JPN - AUS 4-3
21/8 GOLD USA - JPN 1-3

STARS OF THE GAMES



Stacey Porter

AUSTRALIA

DOB 29/3/1992, infielder

Stacey Porter is the captain and leader of the Australian Women's Softball Olympic Team 2021. She earned a silver medal in the Athens 2004 Olympic Games and a bronze medal in Beijing 2008. In Athens she hit .250 with 2 home runs and 6 RBI in 10 games played; while in Beijing she tallied a .136 batting average.

Porter is a veteran of six WBSC World Championships, winning three bronze medals in 2006, 2012 and 2014. Australia finished fourth place in the last World Championship played in Chiba, Japan. Porter homered twice in 10 games.

"Sometimes it's hard to do something you have never done," she said about the possibility to earn a gold medal in Tokyo. "But I think with this group of girls and the work we have been doing at home in the off season, both on and off the diamond, we are right on track to winning gold."

The New South Wales native made her debut with the senior national team in 2002, starting a 19-year long international career with more than 440 games played. She also helped Australia to a sixth-place finish in the WBSC Junior Women's Softball World Championship 1999 in Taiwan.



Danielle Lawrie

CANADA

DOB 1/4/1987, RH pitcher

Danielle Lawrie made her debut in the Canadian National Team in 2005, and one year later she pitched Canada to fifth place in the WBSC Women's softball World Championship 2006, qualifying for the 2008 Olympic Games.

Born in Langley, British Columbia, Lawrie pitched 12.1 innings in Beijing 2008, recording one win and one loss with a 2.27 ERA. She totaled 8 hits, 4 runs, 13 strikeouts and 1 walk for the tournament. She shared this Olympic experience with her brother, Brett, a former Major League Baseball player who competed with Canada in the 2008 Games.

In 2014 she retired from the game, but the two-time USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year came out of retirement in 2018 looking for another chance in the Olympics. Mother of two, Lawrie was the ace of the team in that year's World Championship, where Canada claimed the bronze medal. She posted a 5-1 record with 0.45 ERA, 43 strikeouts and 5 walks in 31 innings. Lawrie also won a World Championship bronze medal in 2010. The right-handed pitcher aims to guide Canada to the country's first-ever Olympic softball medal.



Erika Piancastelli

ITALY

DOB 20/6/1996, catcher/outfielder

Erika Piancastelli was born in Modena, Emilia Romagna, Italy, and grew up in a baseball-softball atmosphere. Her father, Pier Piancastelli, played professional baseball in Modena while her mother, Loredana Auletta, is an Olympian who played softball in Sydney 2000 representing Italy.

The catcher has played in two WBSC World Championships in her career. In Surrey 2016, Italy finished 14th place, while two years later the European Champions improved to 7th place. Piancastelli hit .391 with 3 home runs and 5 RBI.

The Italian slugger also starred in the Europe/Africa Olympic qualifier, hitting .294 with a home run and 4 RBI.

Piancastelli played the 2015 WBSC Junior Women's Softball World Championship in Oklahoma City, carrying a .370 batting average. Italy took 9th place.

During the last European Championship, played in Italy in early July, Piancastelli had a massive tournament with a .545 average and 6 home runs in 11 games.

**Yukiko Ueno**

JAPAN

DOB 22/7/1982, RH pitcher

A two-time Olympic medallist in Athens 2004 and Beijing 2008, Yukiko Ueno has some of the biggest accomplishments in the history of the sport.

In Athens 2004, the Fukuoka native pitched the first and only 7-inning perfect game in the history of the Olympic softball. On 20 August 2004, Japan faced China in the last game of the Athens 2004 Olympic Games Preliminary Round, a win-or-go-home game for the Japanese side. And a 22-year-old Ueno delivered arguably the greatest single-game pitching performance in the history of Olympic softball. Japan ended with the bronze medal.

In 2008, Ueno helped Japan to accomplish one of the biggest upsets in the Games. Ueno pitched three complete games in two days, in a 28-inning, 413-pitch effort to guide Japan to their first Olympic softball gold medal, defeating USA in the final by 3-1.

The two-time WBSC world champion has pitched 77.2 innings in her Olympic career, giving up 42 hits, 11 earned runs with 63 strikeouts and 7 walks. Her cumulative ERA is 0.99.

**Dallas Escobedo**

MEXICO

DOB 12/4/1992, RH pitcher

Dallas Escobedo is the leader of the Mexican rotation. She pitched Mexico to fifth place in the WBSC Women's Softball World Championship 2016, and to sixth place two years later, in the latest edition of the top international women's softball event in the world played in Chiba, Japan. In 2018, she recorded 5 wins and 1 loss, giving up 15 hits and 5 runs in 44 innings of work. She struck out 61, with 13 walks.

She also had a stellar tournament in the Americas Olympic Qualifier 2019, where Mexico qualified for Tokyo. She pitched 11 frames while striking out 20 opponents. In both the World Championship 2018 and the Olympic Qualifier she recorded an identical ERA of 0.64.

Mexico finished in fourth place in the Lima 2019 Pan American Games. Escobedo was charging with the loss in a 2-1, 8-inning defeat against Puerto Rico in the playoffs that left the Mexican squad empty-handed. She recorded 0.86 ERA with 25 strikeouts. Escobedo was a Junior Women's Softball World Champion in 2011, playing for USA. She went 4-0 in the circle, including a team-high 34 strikeouts in 19 innings pitched.

**Cat Osterman**

USA

DOB 16/4/1983, LH pitcher

Cat Osterman is the most decorated softball player of the 90s at Tokyo 2020. She's a two-time Olympic medallist with a gold and a silver on her resume, plus a pair of World Championship titles in 2006 and 2010.

Born in Houston, Texas, the lefty was part of the most dominant softball team in history: The USA Softball Olympic Team 2004. In Athens, she collected 2 wins in as many starts, with no runs allowed. She struck out 23 in 14.2 innings, allowing only 2 hits. As a team, USA allowed only 1 run in 9 games for a 0.13 ERA.

Four years later she went to Beijing aiming to repeat the gold medal. But was charged with the loss in the 3-1 final against Japan, after serving a solo home run to Eri Yamada. She finished with a 3-1 record, allowing 5 hits and 2 runs, with 34 strikeouts. As an Olympian, she has a 0.40 ERA with 57 strikeouts and 9 walks. The only 2 runs she has allowed in her Olympics career came in the Beijing 2008 Gold Medal Game.

She stepped away from the game in 2015 but came out of retirement in 2018 aiming for another opportunity at the Olympic Games.

HOW TEAMS QUALIFIED

TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES WOMEN'S SOFTBALL OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION PROCESS

TICKET N°	QUALIFIED COUNTRY	HOW
1	Japan 	Host Country
2	USA 	2018 WBSC Women's Softball World Championship
3	Italy 	WBSC Europe/Africa Olympic Qualifier
4 & 5	Mexico  Canada 	WBSC Americas Olympic Qualifier
6	Australia 	WBSC Asia/Oceania Olympic Qualifier

DATE

2-12 August 2018

EVENT

2018 WBSC Women's Softball

World Championship

Chiba, Japan

RANKING

1. **USA** 2. JPN 3. CAN 4. AUS
5. PUR 6. MEX 7. ITA 8. NED
9. TPE 10. CHN 11. GBR 12. VEN
13. NZL 14. PHI 15. RSA 16. BOT
USA qualified as World Champion

23-27 July 2019

WBSC Europe/Africa Olympic Qualifier

Utrecht, Netherlands

1. **ITA** 2. GBR 3. NED 4. CZE
5. ESP 6. FRA 7. BOT 7. RSA

25 August

WBSC Americas Olympic Qualifier

1 September 2019

Surrey, Canada

1. **MEX** 2. **CAN** 3. PUR 4. BRA
5. CUB 6. VEN 7. GUA 8. PER
9. DOM 10. BAH

24-28 September 2019 WBSC Asia/Oceania Olympic Qualifier

Shanghai, China

1. **AUS** 2. TPE 3. CHN 4. PHI
5. NZL 6. HKG 7. KOR 8. INA



Six nations have earned an Olympic ticket and will compete in Tokyo 2020 for the gold medal: Australia (winner of the Asia/Oceania Olympic Qualifier), Canada (runner up in the Americas Olympic Qualifier), Italy (winner of the Europe/Africa Olympic Qualifier), Japan (host team), Mexico (winner of the Americas Olympic Qualifier) and USA (2018 WBSC World Champion).

USA was the first team qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games (not counting Japan, already qualified as a host team) as the WBSC Women's Softball World Championship 2018 winner. USA collected a pair of extra-inning wins over Japan in the semifinal and the final to claim their 11th world title.

Italy swept the eight-team Europe/Africa Olympic qualifier to qualify for Tokyo 2020, with a 5-0 win against Great Britain in the last game of the event. Italy will be making its third Olympic appearance.

Mexico and Canada advanced via the Americas qualifier, which had 10 participating teams. Canada and Mexico played a very contested game in the Super Round, with Dallas Escobedo (MEX) and Sara Groenewegen (CAN) as the starters. The host team took the lead in the top of the third, but Mexico came from behind to win the game, 2-1, and clinch the Olympic qualification. Canada needed a win in the last game of the tournament against Brazil to secure their fifth Olympic participation.

The last Olympic spot was claimed by Australia in the eight-team Asia/Oceania Olympic qualifier. The Aussie squad outscored their opponents 37-4 in five games, including a 9-3 win against host China to clinch their Olympic qualification.

WBSC WORLD RANKING: 8



AUSTRALIA AT THE OLYMPICS

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One of only two nations, along with USA, to win a medal in every Olympic softball competition, Australia can complete a full set collection of medals at Tokyo 2020. They only miss earning the gold medal, having won three bronzes (1996, 2000 and 2008) and a silver medal (2004) in the past.

Their top performance was in Athens 2004, where they made it to the Olympic final. But the US team was too much and claimed the gold medal with a 5-1 victory. At Beijing 2008, the Aussies just missed getting into the final. They lost a 12-inning battle against Yukiko Ueno and the Japanese team by a score of 4-3, leaving them one more time on the third step of the podium.

In 2018, Australia placed fourth at the WBSC Softball World Championship, losing to Canada 12-0 to end their tournament. Australia won the inaugural World Championship in 1965 as a host team, their only title in the global stage.

HEAD COACH



Laing Harrow, born in 1970, has steered the Australian Women's National Softball Team since 2018, when he took over the position after the WBSC World Championship in Chiba.

As an Assistant Coach, Harrow guided Australia's Junior Men's National Team to World Championship gold medals in both 2001 and 2005, before continuing his role and helping secure a third gold medal with the team as specialist coach in 2008. In 2017, he was head coach of the Men's National Softball Team that won a silver medal at the World Championship. Most recently, he was at the helm of the Aussie Junior Men's Team that won gold in the 2018 WBSC Junior Men's World Softball Championship.

He was the head coach of the Australian Women's National Softball Team that swept the WBSC Asia/Oceania Olympic Qualifier in 2019, qualifying for the Olympic Games for the fifth time in history.

AUSTRALIA



CATCHERS (1):

22 - Belinda **WHITE**

INFIELDERS (4):

4 - Stacey **MCMANUS**

44 - Leah **PARRY**

16 - Stacey **PORTER**

2 - Clare **WARWICK**



PITCHERS (4):

32 - Kaia **PARNABY**

54 - Gabbie **PLAIN**

6 - Ellen **ROBERTS**

14 - Tarni **STEPTO**



OUTFIELDERS (2):

17 - Leigh **GODFREY**

1 - Jade **WALL**

UTILITIES (4)

47 - Michelle **COX**

25 - Chelsea **FORKIN**

31 - Rachel **LACK**

65 - Taylah **TSITSIKRONIS**

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MEXICO VS AUSTRALIA

AUSTRALIA HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

Vs **Japan** - 10-0 1996; 3-0 1996 playoff; 0-1 (8 inn) 2000; 0-1 2000 playoffs; 4-2 2004; 3-0 2004 bronze medal; 3-4 2008; 3-4 (12 inn) 2008 bronze.

Vs **Italy** - 7-0 2000; 8-0 (5 inn) 2004

Vs **Canada** - 5-2 1996; 1-0 2000; 1-0 2004; 4-0 2008; 5-3 2008 playoffs.

Vs **USA** - 2-1 (10 inn) 1996; 2-1 (13 inn) 2000; 0-1 2000 bronze medal; 0-10 (5 inn) 2004; 0-5 2000 playoffs; 1-5 2004 gold medal; 0-3 2008.



CANADA AT THE OLYMPICS

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Canada has only one goal in mind heading into Tokyo 2020: Winning the country's first Olympic softball medal. Among the select few softball nations that have played all Olympic Games, the red and white squad is the only one without a medal. The closest Canada has come to winning a medal was at the Beijing 2008 Games, where they advanced to the playoffs. They had a 3-4 record after the round robin and lost to Australia, 5-3, in the first playoff game.

Canada has won consecutive bronze medals in the last two WBSC Softball World Championships in 2016 and 2018. Last time in Chiba, Canada defeated Australia, 12-0, in a powerful offensive performance, but lost to host Japan, 3-0, in the second semifinal of the tournament.

Canada qualified for Tokyo 2020 as runner-up of the WBSC Americas Olympic qualifier, finishing behind Mexico in the final standings.

HEAD COACH



Mark Smith, born in 1959, has been the head coach of the Canadian Women's National Softball Team since 2009, and has led the team to a number of positive results since taking over the program, highlighted by a gold medal finish at the Toronto 2015 Pan American Games, where they topped USA in the final.

Smith's resume include three bronze-medal finishes at the WBSC Women's Softball World Championship (2010, 2016 and 2018) as well as silver medals at the 2011 and 2019 Pan American Games.

Prior to steering the women's program, he coached at the Canadian Junior Men's and Men's National Team level from 1996 to 2009.

**PITCHERS (4):**

29 - Jenna **CAIRA**
 17 - Sara **GROENEWEGEN**
 15 - Danielle **LAWRIE**
 38 - Lauren **REGULA**

CATCHERS (2):

55 - Kaleigh **RAFTER**
 2 - Natalie **WIDEMAN**

INFIELDERS (4):

19 - Emma **ENTZMINGER**
 1 - Kelsey **HARSHMAN**
 14 - Janet **LEUNG**
 7 - Jenn **SALLING**

**OUTFIELDERS (4):**

26 - Larissa **FRANKLIN**
 25 - Jennifer **GILBERT**
 8 - Victoria **HAYWARD**
 3 - Erika **POLIDORI**

UTILITY (1)

5 - Joey **LYE**

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26 July, 14.30
 Canada VS Italia

CANADA HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

Vs **USA** - 2-4 1996; 0-6 2000; 0-7 (5 inn) 2004; 1-8 2008.

Vs **Australia** - 2-5 1996; 0-1 2000; 0-1 2004; 0-4 2008; 3-5 2008 playoffs.

Vs **Japan** - 0-4 1996; 3-4 (10 inn) 2000; 1-0 2004; 0-6 2008.

Vs **Italy** - 7-1 2000; 1-0 2004.



ITALY AT THE OLYMPICS

1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
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Italy has dominated the European softball scene for the last three years. In 2019, they won the European Softball Championship and the Olympic Qualifier, while in July 2021 they repeated as the continental champions. Now they want to translate this success onto the Olympic stage.

Le Azzurre will be participating in their third Olympic Games in history. They made their debut in 2000, coming just short of the playoffs, finishing in fifth place with a 2-5 record. A 6-0 loss against USA in the final day of the round-robin left them out of the medal contention. Four years later they finished in eighth place with a 1-7 record.

The last time the Italian Women's National Team participated on the global stage was the World Championship 2018, when they made the playoffs and ended up in the seventh position.

HEAD COACH



Federico Pizzolini, born in 1964, took over the Head Coach position of the Italian National Softball Team this past March, after Enrico Obletter, former head coach of the national team, passed away.

After Pizzolini retired as a baseball player, he immediately began his career as a coach. He led multiple teams in Italy before joining the coaching staff of the national team. He was part of Italy's staff on numerous youth national teams and the men's national team before joining Obletter's working group at the women's national squad.

Among other tournaments, during Obletter's tenure as head coach, Pizzolini assisted him during the WBSC Women's Softball World Championship 2018 (7th place), the WBSC U-19 Women's Softball World Cup 2019 (11th place) and the WBSC Softball Europe/Africa Olympic Qualifier, where Italy booked their ticket to Tokyo 2020.



PITCHERS (3):

7 - Ilaria **CACCIAMANI**

18 - Greta **CECCHETTI**

5 - Alexia **LACATENA**

INFIELDERS (5):

26 - Emily Patricia **CAROSONE**

12 - Amanda **FAMA**

8 - Andrea Marie **FILLER**

27 - Giulia Metaxia **KOUTSOYANOPULOS**

14 - Giulia **LONGHI**



OUTFIELDERS (4):

22 - Andrea **HOWARD**

4 - Fabrizia **MARRONE**

23 - Beatrice **RICCHI**

21 - Laura **VIGNA**

UTILITIES (3)

15 - Elisa **CECCHETTI**

19 - Marta **GASPAROTTO**

20 - Erika **PIANCASTELLI**

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Canada VS *Italia*

ITALY HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

Vs **USA** - 0-6 2000; 0-7 (5 inn) 2004.

Vs **Australia** - 0-7 2000; 0-8 (5 inn) 2004.

Vs **Japan** - 0-2 (8 inn) 2000; 0-1 2004.

Vs **Canada** - 1-7 2000; 0-1 2004.



JAPAN AT THE OLYMPICS

1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
4	2	3	1	1	1	1

The defending gold medallists and hosts of the Olympic Games, Japan aims to repeat the team's historic campaign at Beijing 2008, where they earned the first ever Olympic softball gold medal, after shocking USA, 3-1, in the final. After a fourth-place finish at Atlanta 1996, Japan medalled in the next three Olympic Games, winning a silver medal in Sydney 2000, bronze in Athens 2004 and gold in Beijing.

Japan has played in the last seven WBSC World Championship finals against USA, winning back-to-back titles in 2012 and 2014. In the latest edition played in 2018, Japan lost two extra-inning thrillers to USA in consecutive days, to finish in second place.

The Japanese side has won five consecutive Asian Games gold medals.

HEAD COACH



Reika Utsugi, born in China in 1963, is a former Japan National Softball Team player who won a silver medal in Sydney 2000 and a bronze medal in Athens 2004. She hit .269 in Sydney with a homer, and four years later posted a .200 average with 2 RBI. In Athens she was a teammate of Eri Yamada and Yukiko Ueno, who are still currently playing for Japan.

Utsugi took the managerial job for the first time in 2011, winning immediately back-to-back WBSC World Championships in 2012 and 2014. She managed Japan until 2015. Now in her second stint as a manager of the National Team, she aims to win the only medal she missed as a player: gold.



PITCHERS (3):

16 - Yamato **FUJITA**

27 - Miu **GOTO**

17 - Yukiko **UENO**

CATCHERS (3):

25 - Haruka **AGATSUMA**

21 - Nayu **KIYOHARA**

1 - Yukiyo **MINE**

INFIELDERS (5):

12 - Mana **ATSUMI**

14 - Minori **NAITO**

4 - Yuka **ICHIGUCHI**

5 - Yu **YAMAMOTO**

10 - Hitomi **KAWABATA**



OUTFIELDERS (4):

8 - Nodoka **HARADA**

9 - Sayaka **MORI**

11 - Eri **YAMADA**

2 - Saki **YAMAZAKI**

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 JAPAN VS **USA**

JAPAN HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

Vs **Australia** - 0-10 1996; 0-3 1996 playoff; 1-0 (8 inn) 2000; 1-0 2000 playoffs; 2-4 2004; 0-3 2004 bronze medal; 4-3 2008; 4-3 (12 inn) 2008 bronze.

Vs **Italy** - 2-0 (8 inn) 2000; 1-0 2004.

Vs **Canada** - 4-0 1996; 4-3 (10 inn) 2000; 0-1 2004; 6-0 2008.

Vs **USA** - 1-6 1996; 2-1 (11 inn) 2000; 1-2 (8 inn) 2000 gold; 0-3 2004; 0-7 (5 inn) 2008; 1-4 (9 inn) 2008 playoffs; 3-1 2008 gold.

WBSC WORLD RANKING: 5



MEXICO AT THE OLYMPICS

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One of the fastest-growing women's national softball team programs over the last few years, Mexico will make their historic Olympic debut at the Tokyo 2020 Games. Featuring a solid pitching staff and a consistent offense, Mexico went undefeated at the WBSC Americas Olympic Softball qualifier in Surrey, Canada, in 2019.

At the 2016 WBSC World Championship, the Mexican squad ended finished fifth, matching their best position ever. Two years later, led by right hander Dallas Escobedo, the team finished in sixth place in Chiba, Japan. They lost in the playoffs, 2-1, against Australia in eight innings, after a 0-0 deadlock for the first seven innings. Mexico, the only softball newcomer in Tokyo 2020, becomes the 13th nation to participate in the Olympic softball event.

HEAD COACH



Carlos Bernaldez, born in 1968, has been involved in the Mexican Women's National Softball Team program for more than a decade. He started as a coach of the junior national teams and took over the senior squad in 2013, when he guided the program to a sixth-place finish at the Pan American Games in Puerto Rico.

Leading to Tokyo 2020, he guided Mexico to a silver medal in the Central American and Caribbean Games 2018 and fourth place in the Lima 2019 Pan American Games. Under his tenure, Mexico has risen to fifth in the WBSC Softball World Rankings.

MEXICO



PITCHERS (4):

12 - Dallas **ESCOBEDO**

89 - Sierra **HYLAND**

18 - Taylor **MCQUILLIN**

3 - Danielle **O'TOOLE**

CATCHERS (2):

22 - Brittany **CERVANTES**

13 - Sashel **PALACIOS**

INFIELDERS (5):

11 - Chelsea **GONZALES**

2 - Sydney **ROMERO**

20 - Amanda **SANCHEZ**

17 - Anissa **URTEZ**

8 - Victoria **VIDALES**



OUTFIELDERS (4):

23 - Stefania **ARADILLAS**

5 - Suzannah **BROOKSHIRE**

17 - Tatyana **FORBES**

10 - Nicole **RANGEL**

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MEXICO VS **AUSTRALIA**

MEXICO HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

First participation at the Olympic Games



USA AT THE OLYMPICS

1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
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The U.S. Women's National Softball Team heads into Tokyo as one of the favourites to win the gold medal. The top-ranked nation in the world participated in all four previous Olympic softball competitions, winning the first three gold medals and losing the Beijing 2008 gold medal game to Japan.

In 2018, USA successfully defended their world title in Chiba, Japan, going undefeated in the 16th edition of the WBSC Women's Softball World Championship. They defeated Japan, 7-6, in 10 innings in one of the most memorable games in the history of the tournament. USA has played in 15 of the last 16 world championships, winning a total of 11 world titles. The reigning world champions announced their roster for the Olympic Games on 9 October 2019, and it remained unchanged for the rescheduled Tokyo games in 2021. With the return of Cat Osterman Monica Abbott, USA's roster includes the two pitchers who went into the circle in the 2008 gold medal game.

HEAD COACH



Ken Eriksen, born in 1961, has been the Head Coach of the US Women's National Softball Team since 2011. During his tenure, USA has won two World Championship titles (2016 and 2018) and two silver medals (2012 and 2014). Under Eriksen, USA has also won two Pan American Games gold medals (2011 and 2019) and one silver medal (2015).

He was an Assistant Coach of USA's Olympic Team at Athens 2004, which ranks amongst the best softball teams of all time. He also won a pair of World Championships as Mike Candrea's Assistant Coach.

As a softball player, Eriksen played on the U.S. Men's National Softball Team that won a silver medal in the 1991 Pan American Games.

**PITCHERS (4):**14 - Monica **ABBOTT**3 - Ally **CARDA**21 - Rachel **GARCIA**38 - Cat **OSTERMAN****CATCHERS (2):**34 - Dejah **MULIPOLA**1 - Aubree **MUNRO****INFIELDERS (3):**2 - Ali **AGUILAR**20 - Valerie **ARIOTO**99 - Delaney **SPAULDING****OUTFIELDERS (3):**8 - Haylie **MC CLENEY**16 - Michelle **MOULTRIE**9 - Janie **REED****UTILITIES (3):**4 - Amanda **CHIDESTER**48 - Bubba **NICKLES**7 - Kelsey **STEWART****ONLINE TEAM ROSTER***

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USA HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICSVs **Italy** - 6-0 2000; 7-0 (5 inn) 2004.Vs **Canada** - 4-2 1996; 6-0 2000; 7-0 (5 inn) 2004; 8-1 2008.Vs **Mexico** - N/AVs **Australia** - 1-2 (10 inn) 1996; 1-2 (13 inn) 2000; 1-0 2000 bronze medal; 10-0 (5 inn) 2004; 5-0 2000 playoffs; 5-1 2004 gold medal; 3-0 2008.Vs **Japan** - 6-1 1996; 1-2 (11 inn) 2000; 2-1 (8 inn) 2000 gold medal; 3-0 2004; 7-0 (5 inn) 2008; 4-1 (9 inn) 2008 playoffs; 1-3 2008 gold medal.

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COMPETITION FORMAT



The baseball tournament at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020 will open on Wednesday, 28 July 2021, Day 5 of the Olympic Games, at Fukushima Azuma Baseball Stadium. The rest of the tournament will be played at the Yokohama Baseball Stadium.

The six-team event will be played with a format that is unprecedented in Olympic Baseball history. The National Teams will be split into two groups and will thus play two games each. The results will determine only the placing. The opening round will finish on Saturday, 31 July.

The knockout stage (1-4 August) will have a double-elimination format. The first-place teams in both groups will skip the first round of games. Second- and third-place finishers will compete in the first round to have access to the winners' part of the draw.

COMPETITION SCHEDULE

TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES BASEBALL COMPETITION SCHEDULE

GROUP A	
Japan	WR1
Mexico	WR5
Dom Republic	WR7

GROUP STAGE TOTAL OF 6 MATCHES

Each team plays every other team in their group. Teams are ranked by win-loss record of all games.

GROUP STAGE					
VENUE: FUKUSHIMA			VISITOR		HOME
WED, 28 JUL	GAME 1	12:00	Dom Republic	vs	Japan
VENUE: YOKOHAMA			VISITOR		HOME
THU, 29 JUL	GAME 2	19:00	Israel	vs	Korea
FRI, 30 JUL	GAME 3	12:00	Mexico	vs	Dom Republic
	GAME 4	19:00	USA	vs	Israel
SAT, 31 JUL	GAME 5	12:00	Japan	vs	Mexico
	GAME 6	19:00	Korea	vs	USA

KNOCKOUT STAGE

VENUE: YOKOHAMA			VISITOR		HOME	
ROUND 1						
SUN, 01 AUG	GAME 7*	12:00	Y3	vs	X3	
	GAME 8*	19:00	X2	vs	Y2	
ROUND 2						
MON, 02 AUG	GAME 9	12:00	Game 7 Winner	vs	Game 8 Winner	
	GAME 10*	19:00	Y1	vs	X1	
ROUND 1 (repechage)						
TUE, 03 AUG	GAME 11	19:00	Game 8 Loser	vs	Game 9 Loser	
ROUND 2 (repechage)						
WED, 04 AUG	GAME 12	12:00	Game 11 Winner	vs	Game 10 Loser	
SEMIFINALS						
WED, 04 AUG	GAME 13	19:00	Game 9 Winner	vs	Game 10 Winner	
THU, 05 AUG	GAME 14	19:00	Game 12 Winner	vs	Game 13 Loser	
FINALS						
SAT, 07 AUG	BRONZE MEDAL GAME	12:00	Game 12 Loser	vs	Game 14 Loser	
	GOLD MEDAL GAME	19:00	Game 14 Winner	vs	Game 13 Winner	

* The allocation of Home and Visitor for Games 7, 8 and 10 will be decided at a later stage, since both teams will have exactly the same seed.
** World Rankings as at 28 June, 2021

GROUP B		
Korea	-	WR3
USA	-	WR4
Israel	-	WR24

KNOCKOUT STAGE 10 MATCHES

The knockout stage comprises six rounds, including gold medal game and bronze medal game. The final ranking from the group stage is indicated via X1, X2, X3 (Group A) and Y1, Y2, Y3 (Group B).

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The two winners in this part of the draw will advance directly to the first semifinal, scheduled on Wednesday, 4 August. The winner of the first semifinal will advance to the gold medal game, while the loser will still have a chance through the second semifinal, scheduled on Thursday, 5 August, against the National Team emerging from the losers' part of the draw.

The medal games are scheduled on Saturday, 7 August.

HISTORY OF BASEBALL

THE ORIGINS

The game of baseball as we know it evolved from the rules that were written down at the New York Knickerbocker Club between 1845 and 1857, when 17 clubs attended the convention that gave birth to the National Association of Base Ball Players (NABBP).

The NABBP permitted professional play beginning in 1869 and developed into the National League. In 1901, the American League declared the intent to operate as a Major League. The National League and the American League agreed on playing the World Series between the two league champions starting 1903.

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INTERNATIONAL BASEBALL

1904 Baseball matches are played during the Louisiana Purchase Exhibition.

1912 The Netherlands establishes the first baseball federation in Europe.

1936 Professional baseball is established in Japan.

1938 The International Baseball Federation is founded.

13-20 August 1938 - England defeats the USA 4 games to 1 in a series played in Liverpool, Hull, Rochdale, Halifax and Leeds. The series awards the John Moores Trophy and will eventually be recognized as the first edition of the Amateur World Series, that will evolve into the IBAF Baseball World Cup.

1951 Baseball features on the programme of the inaugural Pan American Games.

1956 The International Baseball Federation launches the first U-18 World tournament, named Mundial Juvenil.

1970 Italy and The Netherlands become the first countries outside the Americas to participate in the Amateur World Series.

1972 Japan becomes the first Asian country to participate in the Amateur World Series.

1977 Mexico hosts the first U-12 world tournament.

1978 The Amateur World Series is hosted in Italy, marking the first time the event is held in Europe. The tournament is renamed Baseball World Championship.

1980 Japan hosts the Baseball World Championship for the first time in Asia.

1982 Korea becomes the first Asian country to earn a baseball world title.

1986 On 13 October, baseball becomes an official medal sport at the Olympics.

1998 The International Baseball Federation allows professional players to compete in its tournaments for the first time.

2005 On 7 July, the IOC Session 117 in Singapore votes 54-50 to remove baseball from the Olympic programme after the 2008 Beijing Games.

2006 IBAF sanctions the first World Baseball Classic.

2013 International Baseball and Softball governing bodies merge into the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC).

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HISTORY OF OLYMPIC BASEBALL



Baseball's Olympic Dream dates back to 1904 when baseball games were played at the Louisiana Purchase Exhibition and ended up overshadowing the St. Louis Olympics before demonstration games were held at the 1921 Olympic Games in Stockholm and the 1936 Olympics in Berlin. For the 1952 Games in Helsinki, pesäpallo (Finnish baseball), was introduced to spectators. More demonstration Olympic games happened in 1956 in Melbourne and 1964 in Tokyo.

Japan beat the United States in the final to win the first-ever demonstration Olympic baseball tournament at the Los Angeles 1984 Games. Chinese Taipei finished third, after a 14-inning third-place game against Korea.

The United States beat Japan in the final of a second demonstration tournament in 1988 in Seoul, Korea. Puerto Rico defeated hosts Korea in the third-place game.

Baseball was voted onto the Olympic sports programme by the IOC on 13 October 1986, starting with Barcelona 1992, before the sport was voted off the programme on 7 July 2005.

After being excluded at the 2012 and 2016 Olympic Games, baseball's Olympic return was proposed by the Tokyo 2020 Organizing Committee on 22 June 2015 and formally approved by the IOC on 3 August 2016.

OLYMPIC RESULTS

1992 - BARCELONA

26 July- 5 August

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** Cuba
Silver Chinese Taipei
Bronze Japan
4. United States
5. Puerto Rico
6. Dominican Republic
7. Italy
8. Spain

PRELIMINARY ROUND

ITA-TPE	2-8	
DOM-CUB	0-8	
USA-ESP	4-1	
JPN-PUR	9-0	26/7
USA-TPE	10-9	
CUB-ITA	18-1 (8)	
DOM-PUR	5-7	
ESP-JPN	1-12 (7)	27/7
PUR-TPE	1-10	
ITA-USA	0-10	
CUB-JPN	8-2	
ESP-DOM	2-11	28/7
JPN-DOM	17-0 (7)	
ITA-PUR	0-2	
USA-CUB	6-9	
ESP-TPE	0-20 (7)	29/7
ITA-JPN	3-13 (8)	
TPE-DOM	11-0 (7)	
CUB-ESP	18-0 (7)	
PUR-USA	8-2	31/7
PUR-CUB	4-9	
TPE-JPN	2-0	
ESP-ITA	4-14 (7)	
DOM-USA	0-10 (7)	1/8
DOM-ITA	7-5	
PUR-ESP	6-7	
JPN-USA	7-1	
TPE-CUB	1-8	2/8

() Innings

*CHN-KOR was suspended because of rain with no score after the top of the sixth, completed on 17 August

4/8	SEMIFINAL	USA-CUB	1-6
	SEMIFINAL	TPE-JPN	5-2
5/8	BRONZE	JPN-USA	8-3
	GOLD	CUB-TPE	11-1

1996 - ATLANTA

20 July- 2 August

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** Cuba
Silver Japan
Bronze USA
4. Nicaragua
5. Netherlands
6. Italy
7. Australia
8. Korea

PRELIMINARY ROUND

USA-NCA	4-1	
CUB-AUS	19-8 (8)	
JPN-NED	12-2 (7)	20/7
KOR-ITA	1-2	
JPN-CUB	7-8	21/7
NED-AUS	16-6 (8)	
ITA-NCA	2-7	
KOR-USA	2-7	22/7
NED-CUB	2-18 (7)	
NCA-KOR	8-3	
AUS-JPN	9-6	23/7
USA-ITA	15-3 (7)	
CUB-KOR	14-11	24/7
NCA-NED	5-0 (6 rain)	
ITA-AUS	12-8	
USA-JPN	15-5 (7)	25/7
JPN-NCA	13-6	
ITA-CUB	6-20 (7)	
AUS-USA	5-15 (7)	27/7
NED-KOR	3-11	
CUB-USA	10-8	
AUS-NCA	0-10 (8)	28/7
NED-ITA	8-7	
NCA-CUB	7-8	
KOR-JPN	4-14 (7)	29/7
USA-NED	17-1 (7)	
ITA-JPN	1-12 (8)	
AUS-KOR	11-8	30/7

1/8	SEMIFINAL	NCA-CUB	1-8
	SEMIFINAL	JPN-USA	11-2
2/8	BRONZE	USA-NCA	10-3
	GOLD	JPN-CUB	9-13

2000 - SYDNEY

17 - 27 September

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** USA
Silver Cuba
Bronze Korea
4. Japan
5. Netherlands
6. Italy
7. Australia
8. South Africa

PRELIMINARY ROUND

RSA-CUB	0-16 (7)	
JPN-USA	2-4 (13)	
KOR-ITA	10-2	
NED-AUS	6-4	17/9
ITA-CUB	5-13	
AUS-KOR	5-3	
RSA-USA	1-11 (7)	
NED-JPN	2-10	18/9
ITA-RSA	13-0 (7)	
JPN-AUS	7-3	
USA-NED	6-2	
CUB-KOR	6-5	19/9
JPN-ITA	6-1	
CUB-NED	2-4	
AUS-RSA	10-4	
KOR-USA	0-4	20/9
NED-KOR	0-2	
AUS-CUB	0-1	
JPN-RSA	8-0	
ITA-USA	2-4	22/9
RSA-NED	3-2 (10)	
KOR-JPN	7-6 (10)	
ITA-AUS	8-7 (12)	
USA-CUB	1-6	23/9
NED-ITA	3-2	
RSA-KOR	3-13 (8)	
CUB-JPN	6-2	
USA-AUS	12-1 (7)	24/9

26/9	SEMIFINAL	JPN-CUB	0-3
	SEMIFINAL	KOR-USA	2-3
27/9	BRONZE	KOR-JPN	1-3
	GOLD	USA-CUB	4-0

2004 - ATHENS

17 - 27 September

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** Cuba
Silver Australia
Bronze Japan
4. Canada
5. Chinese Taipei
6. Netherlands
7. Greece
8. Italy

PRELIMINARY ROUND

AUS-CUB	1-4	
JPN-ITA	12-0 (7)	
TPE-CAN	0-7	
NED-GRE	11-0	15/8
TPE-AUS	3-0	
ITA-CAN	3-9	
NED-JPN	3-8	
GRE-CUB	4-5	16/8
CAN-NED	7-0	
GRE-TPE	1-7	
AUS-ITA	6-0	
JPN-CUB	6-3	17/8
ITA-NED	4-10	
AUS-JPN	9-4	
CAN-GRE	2-0	
CUB-TPE	10-2	18/8
ITA-TPE	5-4	
CAN-JPN	1-9	
GRE-AUS	6-11	
NED-CUB	2-9	20/8
TPE-JPN	3-4	
CUB-CAN	5-2	
AUS-NED	22-2 (7)	
GRE-ITA	12-7	21/8
TPE-NED	5-1	
JPN-GRE	6-1	
CUB-ITA	5-0	
CAN-AUS	11-0	22/8

24/8	SEMIFINAL	AUS-JPN	1-0
	SEMIFINAL	CAN-CUB	5-8
25/8	BRONZE	JPN-CAN	11-2
	GOLD	CUB-AUS	6-2

2008 - BEIJING

13 - 23 August

FINAL STANDING

- Gold** Korea
Silver Cuba
Bronze USA
4. Japan
5. Chinese Taipei
6. Canada
7. Netherlands
8. China

PRELIMINARY ROUND

NED-TPE	0-5	
CAN-CHN	10-0 (8)	
USA-KOR	7-8	
JPN-CUB	2-4	13/8
USA-NED	7-0 (8 rain)	
CAN-CUB	6-7	
JPN-TPE	6-1	
CHN-KOR	0-1 (11)*	14/8
TPE-CHN	7-8 (12)	
CUB-USA	5-4 (11)	
KOR-CAN	1-0	
NED-JPN	0-6	15/8
CAN-USA	4-5	
TPE-CUB	0-1	
NED-CHN	6-4	
KOR-JPN	5-3	16/8
JPN-CAN	1-0	
KOR-TPE	9-8	
CUB-NED	14-3 (8)	
CHN-USA	1-9	18/8
CAN-NED	4-0	
CUB-KOR	4-7	
CHN-JPN	0-10 (7)	
TPE-USA	2-4 (12)	19/8
CHN-CUB	1-17	
KOR-NED	10-0 (8)	
TPE-CAN	6-5	
USA-JPN	4-2 (11)	20/8

22/8	SEMIFINAL	JPN-KOR	2-6
	SEMIFINAL	USA-CUB	2-10
23/8	BRONZE	JPN-USA	4-8
	GOLD	KOR-CUB	3-2

STARS OF THE GAMES



Julio Rodriguez
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
DOB 29/12/2000, outfielder

Slugging outfielder Julio “J-Rod” Rodriguez was 16 and-a-half years old when he received a US\$ 1.75 million signing bonus upon joining the Seattle Mariners organization in July 2017.

The Mariners spotted him in Loma de Cabrera, a small town close to the Haitian border. By the 2019 season, Rodriguez was the Mariners’ No. 2 prospect, despite missing part of the season because of a fractured hand.

“If you are Dominican, baseball is in your veins,” J-Rod told Olympics.com. Rodriguez was playing at Double-A Arkansas when the Dominican Republic selected him for the Americas Olympic Qualifier. He started five games in right field, going 11-for-24 (.458 batting average) with two home runs. He made the national team roster also for the Final Qualifier.

“I love competing and winning,” Rodriguez said. “Hitting gives me the best feeling.”



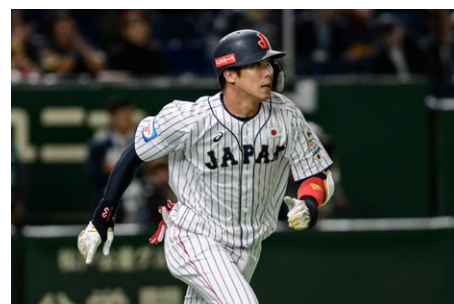
Ian Kinsler
ISRAEL
DOB 22/6/1982, infielder

Ian Kinsler was born in Tucson, Arizona. The Arizona Diamondbacks drafted him twice while in high school, but Kinsler opted for collegiate baseball. He was drafted 496th overall by the Texas Rangers in 2003 and established himself as a minor league shortstop. He made his major league debut in 2006 and developed into a gold-glove second baseman. Kinsler, a four-time MLB All-Star, helped the Boston Red Sox win the 2019 World Series.

After helping the United States win the World Baseball Classic 2017, Kinsler retired from Major League Baseball (MLB) after playing for the San Diego Padres in the 2019 season. He joined the Israeli National Team in early 2020.

He commented: “To represent the US is definitely an honour -- it’s where I grew up. To represent your heritage, your lineage...part of what makes you who you are...to represent that is just different. It’s a big honour also.”

Kinsler said he was inspired by what he has seen with the youth baseball movement in Israel and is looking forward to giving them some more heroes come game time in Tokyo.



Tetsuto Yamada
JAPAN
DOB 16/7/1992, infielder

Born in Toyooka, Hyōgo, Yamada was a 2010 Nippon Professional Baseball (NPB) first-round draft selection out of high school. He was selected by the Tokyo Yakult Swallows and made his NPB debut in 2012 at the age of 19.

In 2014, Yamada had a breakout year in his first full season as an everyday player. In 143 games, he hit 29 home runs, with 39 doubles and 89 RBI. He scored 106 runs, stole 15 bases and hit .324 with an OBP of .403. In 2015, Yamada was named the NPB Central League MVP, after leading the league in home runs (38), doubles (38), runs scored (119), and stolen bases (34).

He was named to the Japanese National Baseball Team for the 2015 and 2019 WBSC Premier12, helping Japan finish with the bronze in 2015 and with the championship trophy in 2019. In the WBSC flagship international tournaments, he served as a lead-off hitter -- mixing a combination of speed and power -- and played second base and first base. In the 2019 Premier12, he went 8-for-26 (.308), with 3 doubles, 2 home runs and 10 runs scored.



Hyun-soo Kim

KOREA

DOB 12/1/1988, outfielder

Hyun-soo Kim was born in Seoul and was touted as a top prospect in high school. Upon graduation, he was signed as an undrafted free agent by the Doosan Bears. He spent one year in the minor leagues and made his Korea Baseball Organization (KBO) debut in 2007. He won the batting title the following season and hit 23 home runs in 2009.

Kim helped Korea win a gold medal at the Beijing Olympics and a silver medal at the World Baseball Classic 2009. After helping the Bears to a KBO title in 2015, he led Korea to the inaugural WBSC Premier12 title, earning MVP honours. The Premier12 MVP then accepted a two-year US\$ 7 million offer by MLB's Baltimore Orioles. He didn't become an everyday MLB player but made an impact collecting 6 home runs and 16 doubles in 95 games. The Orioles traded him to the Philadelphia Phillies after 56 games of the 2017 season.

Kim returned to KBO on a four-year, US\$ 10.7 million contract for the 2018 season, registering double digit home runs for three consecutive seasons. He starred on the Korea National Team at the WBSC Premier12 2019, where the team earned a silver medal and ticket into the Tokyo 2020 Games.



Adrian Gonzalez

MEXICO

DOB 8/3/1982, first baseman

Adrian Gonzalez was born in San Diego, California, but grew up in nearby Tijuana, Mexico. The city honoured him as an exemplary citizen in 2012. Adrian is nicknamed El Titan in Spanish and A-Gon by English speaking fans.

Adrian was drafted out of high school in 2000 as the number one overall pick by the Florida Marlins. The Marlins gave him a US\$ 3 million signing bonus but traded him to the Texas Rangers in 2003. He made his MLB debut with the Rangers in 2004, beginning a stellar career that made him a five-time MLB All-Star and a four-time gold glove over a career that spanned through the 2018 season and took him to play also for the San Diego Padres, the Boston Red Sox, the Los Angeles Dodgers and the New York Mets.

Gonzalez represented Mexico in the four editions of the World Baseball Classic and joined the Mariachis of Guadalajara of the Mexican Baseball League (LMB) for the 2021 season, with the clear intent of making the Mexican Olympic roster for the Tokyo Games.



Todd Frazier

USA

DOB 12/2/1986, third baseman

Todd Frazier was born in New Jersey. As a kid he played both football and baseball. He was drafted out of high school by MLB's Colorado Rockies in 2004 but opted to play for Rutgers University. He helped the United States win the 2006 World University Championship in Havana, Cuba.







The Cincinnati Reds selected Frazier with the 34th overall pick of the 2007 MLB draft. He made his MLB debut for the Reds in 2011. He also played for the Chicago White Sox, the New York Yankees, the New York Mets, the Texas Rangers and the Pittsburgh Pirates. He was voted to the MLB All-Star Game 2014 and 2015.

Frazier starred at the WBSC Baseball Americas Qualifier in June, helping the US secure their Tokyo 2020 Olympic berth.

"It's hard to put into words, because it means a lot to me," he said after the US won the Americas qualifier. "This is something that I'll never forget, this is one of the best moments in my professional career, playing for your country. That's what makes the Olympics exciting, playing for USA, playing for Canada for instance, or Venezuela. I wish you guys could understand it felt like a Major League game in the playoffs -- that much fun."

HOW TEAMS QUALIFIED

TOKYO 2020 OLYMPIC GAMES MEN'S BASEBALL OLYMPIC QUALIFICATION PROCESS

TICKET N°	QUALIFIED COUNTRY	HOW
1	Japan 	Host Country
2	Israel 	WBSC Europe / Africa Olympic Qualifier
3 & 4	Korea  Mexico 	WBSC Premier 12*
5	USA 	WBSC Americas Olympic Qualifier
6	Dominican Republic 	WBSC Final Olympic Qualifier

* The highest placed team from Asia/Oceania (excluding Japan) and the highest placed team from the Americas

DATE

18-22 September 2019

EVENT

WBSC Baseball Europe/Africa Qualifier
Parma/Bologna, Italy

RANKING

1. **ISR**, 2. NED, 3. CZE, 4. ESP, 5. ITA, 6. RSA

2-17 November 2019

WBSC Premier12

1. JPN, 2. **KOR**, 3. **MEX**, 4. USA, 5. TPE, 6. AUS,
7. CAN, DOM, VEN, 10. CUB, NED, PUR

Korea qualified as the highest placed team from Asia/Oceania, excluding Japan (already qualified as Tokyo 2020 host, and Mexico as the highest placed team from the Americas in the final standing.

31 May – 5 June 2021

WBSC Baseball Americas Qualifier
Florida, USA

1. **USA**, 2. DOM, 3. VEN, 4. CAN, 5. CUB, NCA
7. COL, PUR

22-26 June 2021

WBSC Baseball Final Qualifier
Puebla, Mexico

1. **DOM**, 2. VEN, 3. NED



With Japan automatically qualified in the six-team Tokyo 2020 baseball tournament as the Olympic host country, the first National Team to qualify on the field was Israel at the **WBSC Europe-Africa Qualifier**. The Israeli National Team shocked European powerhouses the Netherlands and Italy, 8-1 and 8-2, respectively on consecutive days on its way to suffering just one loss during the tournament, against the Czech Republic, and finishing tied with the Netherlands. Israel prevailed thanks to the win in the head-to-head game against the Dutch.

Japan would have in any case qualified as they won the **WBSC Premier12 2019** on home turf at a packed Tokyo Dome. The second edition of the WBSC flagship event awarded two Olympic spots, one to the top finisher from Asia/Oceania (not including Olympic host Japan) and one spot to the top finisher from the Americas. Korea lost to Japan, 5-3, in the championship game on 17 November 2019, but had already secured the right to defend the Olympic gold medal they earned at the Beijing 2008 Games, with a 7-3 win over Mexico on 15 November. Mexico earned their right to compete in their first-ever Olympic baseball event via a dramatic 3-2 extra-inning win over rival USA in the Premier12 bronze medal game at the Tokyo Dome.

USA earned the fifth spot in the Olympic tournament as they swept the opposition in the **WBSC Baseball Americas Qualifier** on home soil in Florida earlier this year. The US beat Nicaragua, 7-1, on 31 May, the Dominican Republic, 8-6, on 1 June, Canada, 10-1, on 5 June, and Venezuela, 4-2, on 6 June.

With less than 30 days to the Olympics, the Dominican Republic swept through the **WBSC Baseball Final Qualifier** in Puebla, Mexico, to earn the sixth and final ticket to the Tokyo 2020 baseball tournament after powering past South American juggernauts, Venezuela, and Europe's best-ranked team, the Netherlands.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AT THE OLYMPICS	1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

The Dominican Republic enters the six-team Tokyo 2020 baseball tournament as the second-lowest ranked team, only ahead of No. 24 Israel, but the country is home to some of the best players in the world.

The Dominican Republic dominated the World Baseball Classic 2013.

The Caribbean nation triumphed over Europe's and South America's top-ranked baseball countries -- Venezuela and Netherlands -- in the June 2021 WBSC Baseball Final Olympic Qualifier.

The Dominican roster features former MLB stars José Bautista and Melky Cabrera.

Dominican utility player Emilio Bonifácio said: "I know that for the whole team, with the support that the country has given, there is 110% we are going to bring a medal to the Dominican Republic."

MANAGER



Hector Borg was born in 1985 and is currently the Latin America Director of Development for the San Francisco Giants of Major League Baseball (MLB).

A backup minor league infielder in his playing days, Borg played in the Giants' farm system and in the independent South Coast League.

His coaching career began in 2011 with Toros del Este of the Dominican Winter League. He served as a coach on the San Francisco club in the Dominican Summer League. He managed the Giants' Class A advanced club in 2019.

After guiding the Dominican Republic National Team to victory at the Final Olympic Qualifier, he said: "We made history."



PITCHERS (11):

39 - Dario **ALVAREZ**, 28 - Junior **GARCIA**
 33 - Jairo **ASENCIO** 37 - Jhan **MARIÑEZ**
 46 - Gerson **BAUTISTA** 41 - Denyi **REYES**
 31 - Luis **CASTILLO** 38 - Angel **SANCHEZ**
 15 - Cristopher **CRISOSTOMO** 56 - Raul **VALDES**
 70 - Jose **DIAZ**

CATCHERS (2):

16 - Roldani **BALDWIN**
 7 - Charlie **VALERIO**

INFIELDERS (6):

34 - Juan **FRANCISCO** 6 - Erick **MEJIA**
 8 - Diego **GORIS** 2 - Gustavo **NUNEZ**
 10 - Jeison **GUZMAN** 3 - Yefri **PEREZ**



OUTFIELDERS (5):

19 - Jose **BAUTISTA**
 64 - Emilio **BONIFACIO**
 14 - Melky **CABRERA**
 36 - Johan **MIESES**
 18 - Julio **RODRIGUEZ**

[ONLINE TEAM ROSTER*](#)

* Team Rosters will be confirmed and published online following the Technical Meeting on 27 July.

TOKYO 2020 SCHEDULE

[FULL SCHEDULE HERE](#)

28 July, 12.00

DOMINICANA VS **JAPAN**

vs **JAPAN** 0-17 1992
 vs **USA** 0-19 1992

30 July, 12.00

MEXICO VS **DOMINICANA**

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

WBSC WORLD RANKING: 19



ISRAEL AT THE OLYMPICS

1992

1996

2000

2004

2008

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Baseball was first played in the British Mandate of Palestine on 4 July 1927. The first baseball field in Israel was built in Kibbutz Gezer in 1979.

The Israel Association of Baseball (IAB) was founded by Randy Kahn in 1986. Israel started participating in international competitions in 2006, when they sent National Teams to the U-12 and U-21 European Championships.

Israel became the biggest surprise of the World Baseball Classic 2017. After beating Brazil, Pakistan and Great Britain in the 2016 qualifier, they swept Korea, Taiwan and the Netherlands to advance to the second round. The Israeli National Team won the WBSC Europe/Africa Qualifier and earned their first-ever participation in the Olympics.

MANAGER



Eric Holtz, 55, has served as the manager of the Israeli baseball National Team since 2017. A native New Yorker, Holtz led Beit Shemesh to the championship of the inaugural Israel Baseball League in 2007 as a 41-year-old rookie and received the Commissioner's Award for Distinguished Service. He started his coaching career as an assistant coach at Manhattanville College and later served as the hitting coach at Westchester Community College. Holtz also coached the United States to the gold medal at the 2017 Maccabiah Games, also known as the Jewish Olympics. He owns and operates the Game On 13 baseball facility in Elmsford, New York, and has his own baseball bat line, Holtz Bats. Holtz is married to Traci. They have three children and one granddaughter.

ISRAEL



CATCHERS (3):

7 - Tal **EREL**
 36 - Ryan **LAVARNWAY**
 9 - Nick **RICKLES**

INFIELDERS (6):

8 - Scott **BURCHAM** 3 - Ian **KINSLER**
 22 - Mitch **GLASSER** 6 - Zach **PENPRASE**
 11 - Ty **KELLY** 19 - Danny **VALENCIA**

PITCHERS (12):

30 - Jeremy **BLEICH** 12 - Shlomo **LIPETZ**
 21 - Jonathan **DE MARTE** 27 - Jon **MOSCOT**
 17 - Jake **FISHMAN** 14 - Joey **WAGMAN**
 47 - Alex **KATZ** 23 - Ben **WANGER**
 45 - Jared **LAKIND**, 44 - Zack **WEISS**
 29 - Alon **LEICHMAN** 28 - Josh **ZEID**



OUTFIELDERS (3):

2 - Blake **GAILEN**
 24 - Assaf **LOWENGART**
 4 - Robb **PALLER**

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ISRAEL HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

First participation at the Olympic Games



JAPAN AT THE OLYMPICS

1992

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Horace Wilson, a professor of English at the Kaisei Academy in Tokyo, introduced baseball to Japan in 1872. Currently ranked No. 1 in the world, Japan is one of the favourites to battle for the gold medal at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics. Japan's National Team, "Samurai Japan", features the biggest stars of Nippon Professional Baseball (NPB), including pitcher Masahiro Tanaka, a former MLB All-Star.

Samurai Japan Manager Atsunori Inaba said: "Despite the unforeseen postponement of the Games by one year, my goal is to win the gold medal. That will not change. We have chosen 24 people to make that happen."

Most recently, Japan won the second edition of the Premier12, the WBSC flagship event, in 2019. Japan won the first two editions of the World Baseball Classic (2006 and 2009).

MANAGER



Atsunori Inaba, born in 1972, has been an NPB All-Star left-handed hitter. He collected 2,167 hits, including 261 home runs in a career that spanned from 1995 to 2014. He helped the Yakult Swallows and the Nippon Ham Fighters to Japan Series titles and he earned MVP honours at the 2006 Japan Series. He represented Japan at the Beijing Olympics.

Inaba started his coaching career with the Nippon Ham Fighters. He was a member of Samurai Japan coaching staff at the inaugural WBSC Premier12 and was named Samurai Japan manager in 2017.



CATCHERS (2):

7 - Ryutaro **UMENO**
10 - Takuya **KAI**

INFIELDERS (6):

3 - Hideto **ASAMURA** 55 - Munetaka **MURAKAMI**
2 - Sosuke **GENDA** 6 - Hayato **SAKAMOTO**
4 - Ryosuke **KIKUCHI** 1 - Tetsuto **YAMADA**



PITCHERS (11):

12 - Koyo **AOYAGI** 21 - Koudai **SENGA**
16 - Hiromi **ITOH** 61 - Kaima **TAIRA**
13 - Suguru **IWAZAKI** 18 - Masahiro **TANAKA**
20 - Ryoji **KURIBAYASHI** 17 - Yoshinobu **YAMAMOTO**
15 - Masato **MORISHITA** 19 - Yasuaki **YAMASAKI**
22 - Yudai **OHNO**



OUTFIELDERS (5):

8 - Kensuke **KONDOH**
31 - Ryoya **KURIHARA**
51 - Seiya **SUZUKI**
9 - Yuki **YANAGITA**
34 - Masataka **YOSHIDA**

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JAPAN VS **MEXICO**

JAPAN HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

vs **USA**

7-1 1992; 8-3 1992 bronze medal game; 5-15 1996; 11-2 1996 semifinal;
2-4 2000; 2-4 2008; 4-8 2008 bronze medal

vs **KOREA**

14-4 1996; 6-7 2000; 1-3 2000 bronze medal; 3-5 2008;
2-6 2008 semifinal;

vs **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** 17-0 1992



KOREA AT THE OLYMPICS

1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
-	8	3	-	1	1	-	1

Korea are the defending Olympic baseball gold medallists, having won it all at the Beijing 2008 Games. The Korean National Team roster is filled with the biggest stars from the top domestic professional league, the Korea Baseball Organization (KBO). The Korean Olympic Baseball Team features 10 players who helped Korea finish in second place at the WBSC Premier12 2019, including star outfielder Hyun-soo Kim, who was the 2015 WBSC Premier12 MVP. The Korean pitching staff has been almost entirely reshaped, with only three relievers are back from the 2019 roster.

"It's not going to be an easy tournament, but we'll put our national pride on the line," Korea manager Kyung-moon Kim said.

MANAGER



Kyung-moon Kim, born November 1958, led Korea to the Olympic gold medal in 2008.

He was a catcher in his playing days and excelled at defence. He won the Korean Series with the OB Bears. He retired in 1991 and went to Atlanta, USA, to study the coaching style of Bobby Cox of the Atlanta Braves. He went back to Korea and coached the Samsung Lions and the Doosan Bears. He won the Korean Series 2005 as the manager of the Bears. Kim became the inaugural manager of the expansion team NC Dinos in 2013. He managed them to the franchise's first Korean Series in 2016.



CATCHERS (3):

47 - Min-ho **KANG**
25 - Eui-ji **YANG**

INFIELDERS (8):

50 - Baek-ho KANG	2 - Ji-hwan OH
3 - Hye-seong KIM	53 - Joo-hwan CHOI
10 - Jae-gyun HWANG	13 - Kyoung-min HUR
44 - Jae-il OH	7 - Min-woo PARK

PITCHERS (10):

23 - Woo-chan CHA	55 - Min-woo KIM
11 - Sang-woo CHO	1 - Young-pyo KO
61 - Won-joon CHOI	48 - Eui-lee LEE
19 - Woo-suk GO	21 - Se-woong PARK
63 - Hyun-hee HAN	18 - Tae-in WON



OUTFIELDERS (4):

17 - Hae-min **PARK**
22 - Hyun-soo **KIM**
51 - Jung-hoo **LEE**
37 - Kun-woo **PARK**

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Korea VS **USA**
BASEBALL

KOREA HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

vs **USA** 2-7 1996; 0-4 2000; 2-3 2000 semifinal; 9-7 2008;
vs **JAPAN** 2-12 1996; 7-6 2000; 3-1 2000 bronze medal game; 5-3
2008; 6-2 2008 semifinal



MEXICO AT THE OLYMPICS

1992

1996

2000

2004

2008

G S B

The Mexican National Baseball Team will be making its historic Olympic debut at Tokyo 2020. Mexico comes into the six-team Tokyo 2020 baseball event as the fourth-highest ranked team. Mexico scored a 3-2 10-inning, walk-off win over then-No. 2 USA in the bronze medal game of the WBSC Premier12 2019, which qualified the team for Tokyo 2020.

Mexico's Olympic roster features many stars from the Mexican Baseball League (LMB), the country's top-tier professional baseball league. Players to watch include former MLB All-Star Adrian Gonzalez, infielder Brandon Laird, who plays for the Chiba Lotte Marines of NPB, and pitcher Manny Bañuelos, who plays for the Fubong Guardians of the Chinese Professional Baseball League (CPBL).

MANAGER



Benjamin Gil was born in Tijuana in 1972 and is currently managing the LMB expansion team Mariachis de Guadalajara. He was named in June, replacing Juan Castro, who led Mexico to the historic Olympic qualification.

Gil played eight Major League Baseball (MLB) seasons. Originally a shortstop, he later developed into a utility player and helped the Los Angeles Angels win the 2002 World Series under current USA manager Mike Scioscia. Gil also played in the Mexican Baseball League (LMB) and the Mexican Pacific League (LMP), while helping Mexico win a bronze medal at the Pan Am Games 2007. Gil won four LMB titles as the manager of the Tomateros de Culiacan.



CATCHERS (2):

44 - Ali **SOLIS**

13 - Alexis **WILSON**

INFIELDERS (6):

18 - Daniel **ESPINOSA**

24 - Efrén **NAVARRO**

23 - Adrian **GONZALEZ**

19 - Ramiro **PEÑA**

54 - Brandon **LAIRD**

74 - Isaac **RODRIGUEZ**

PITCHERS (12):

50 - Manny **BARREDA**

29 - Oliver **PEREZ**

20 - Manny **BAÑUELOS**

59 - Fernando **SALAS**

46 - Carlos **BUSTAMANTE**

48 - Sasagi **SANCHEZ**

53 - Daniel **DUARTE**

36 - Teddy **STANKIEWICZ**

22- Samuel **HICKEY**

49 - Cesar **VARGAS**

35 - Juan Pablo **ORAMAS**

38 - Hector **VELAZQUEZ**



OUTFIELDERS (4):

5 - Sebastian **ELIZALDE**

33 - José **GONZALEZ**

27 - Jonathan **JONES**

32 - Joey **MENESES**

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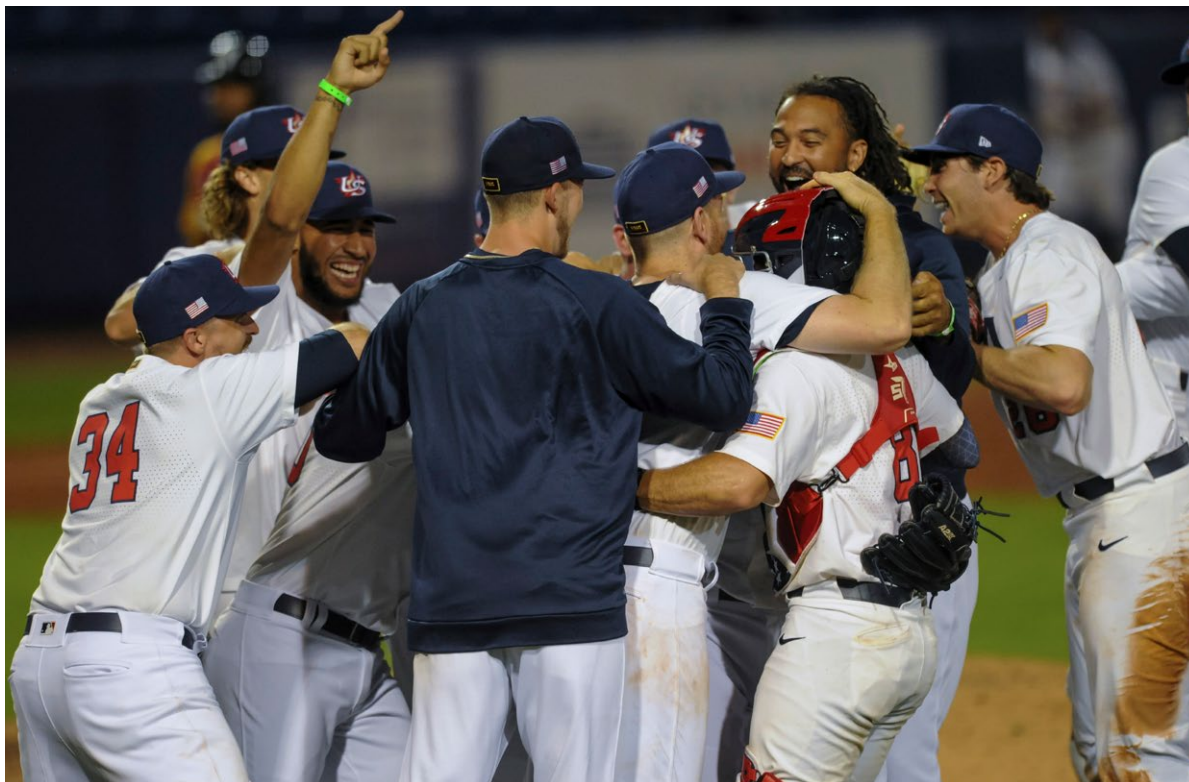
JAPAN

VS

MÉXICO

MEXICO HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

First participation at the Olympic Games



USA AT THE OLYMPICS

1992	1996	2000	2004	2008	G	S	B
4	3	1	-	3	1	-	2

The United States may not have invented the sport of baseball, but an American, former professional player Leslie Mann, founded the International Baseball Federation in 1937.

The United States are the reigning baseball World Champions, having claimed the title at the 2017 World Baseball Classic. Pitcher David Robertson is the only member of that team who will play in Tokyo. The 24-man roster for the Olympics is stacked with MLB experience. The US also looked abroad to build their Olympic pitching staff. Nick Martinez, Scott McGough play in Japan, while Anthony Carter plays in Mexico. Infielder Triston Casas, pitchers Simeon Woods-Richardson and Shane Baz are among the most touted MLB prospects. The US made it clear that they are competing for gold in Tokyo.

MANAGER



Mike Scioscia was born in 1958 in Pennsylvania. He was drafted by the Los Angeles Dodgers at No. 19 overall in 1976. He made his MLB debut for the Dodgers in 1980 and played 1441 MLB games with them, leading the Dodgers to two World Series titles under manager Tom Lasorda. Scioscia started his coaching career with the Dodgers at the minor league level. He was hired as the manager of the Los Angeles Angels in 2000 and led them to a World Series title in 2002. He was named Manager of the Year twice.

Scioscia led the US to the win in the WBSC Baseball Americas Qualifier.



CATCHERS (2):

34 - Tim **FEDEROWICZ**
8 - Mark **KOLOZSVARY**

INFIELDERS (5):

10 - Nick **ALLEN** 25 - Todd **FRAZIER**
2 - Eddy **ALVAREZ** 12 - Jamie **WESTBROOK**
26 - Triston **CASAS**

PITCHERS (12):

35 - Shane **BAZ** 22 - Nick **MARTINEZ**
48 - Anthony **CARTER** 16 - Scott **MCGOUGH**
32 - Brandon **DICKSON** 30 - David **ROBERTSON**
31 - Anthony **GOSE** 40 - Joe **RYAN**
33 - Edwin **JACKSON** 28 - Ryder **RYAN**,
43 - Scott **KAZMIR** 44 - Simeon **WOODS**
 RICHARDSON



OUTFIELDERS (5):

23 - Tyler **AUSTIN**
5 - Eric **FILIA**
18 - Patrick **KIVLEHAN**
7 - Jack **LOPEZ**
24 - Bubba **STARLING**

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USA HEAD TO HEAD IN THE OLYMPICS

vs **JAPAN**

1-7 1992; 3-8 1992 bronze medal game; 15-5 1996; 2-11 1996 semifinal;
4-2 2000; 4-2 2008; 8-4 2008 bronze medal game.

vs **KOREA**

7-2 1996; 4-0 2000; 3-2 semifinal 2000; 7-9 2008;

vs **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC** 10-0 1992

WBSC TOURNAMENTS

SOFTBALL



U-12 CO-ED SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

U-15 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

U-18 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

WOMEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

U-18 MEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

U-23 MEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

MEN'S SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

Baseball, Softball and Baseball5 are among the most inclusive and accessible team sports, with a clear pathway from the ballpark to the podium. From U-12 all the way up to professional leagues and the Premier12, Baseball, Softball and Baseball5 provide opportunities for all ages, genders and levels.

Meanwhile, the WBSC events portfolio continues to grow, recently welcoming eSport into the fold with baseball featuring prominently at the inaugural Olympic Virtual Series in June.

Innovation and Opportunities

Following the pause in the WBSC's international events calendar in 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the WBSC took the opportunity to analyse and improve its competitions and events calendar to not only help the WBSC family mitigate the economic crisis but also provide greater opportunities for teams to

participate as well as for more cities to be able to host WBSC events.

In addition to the Premier12, the WBSC's premier baseball event launched in 2015 and the World Baseball Classic, the WBSC boasts 14 different World Cups across Baseball, Softball and Baseball5. In February 2021, the WBSC launched a new World Cup events calendar based on a four year cycle.

After a 14-month pause due to the Covid pandemic, the WBSC returned to the field of play in May 2021 with the first of two Olympic baseball qualification tournaments – the Americas Qualifier in Florida, USA followed by the Final Qualifier in Puebla, Mexico.

These completed the qualification process for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games, which is the highlight of the 2021 baseball and softball events calendar and which are followed by the U-18 and U-23 Baseball World Cups in September and October.

BASEBALL



U-12 BASEBALL WORLD CUP
U-15 BASEBALL WORLD CUP
U-18 BASEBALL WORLD CUP
U-23 BASEBALL WORLD CUP
WOMEN'S BASEBALL WORLD CUP
PREMIER12

BASEBALL5



YOUTH BASEBALL5 WORLD CUP
BASEBALL5 WORLD CUP

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Check out the new WBSC World Cup Calendars for:

BASEBALL

SOFTBALL

BASEBALL5

WBSC TOURNAMENT RESULTS

PREMIER12

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2019	2015	EDITIONS PLAYED
Australia	6	-	1
Canada	7	5	2
Chinese Taipei	5	9	2
Cuba	10	6	2
Dominican Republic	7	11	2
Italy	-	12	1
Japan	1	3	2
Mexico	3	4	2
Netherlands	10	7	2
Puerto Rico	10	8	2
South Korea	2	1	2
United States	4	2	2
Venezuela	7	10	2
Total of Teams:	12	12	

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
2	2019	JPN	KOR	MEX
1	2015	KOR	USA	JPN

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
KOR	1	1	-	2
JPN	1	-	1	2
USA	-	1	-	1
MEX	-	-	1	1
Total:	2	2	2	6

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2017	2013	2009	2006	EDITIONS PLAYED
Australia	9	16	12	13	4
Brazil	-	14	-	-	1
Canada	15	12	13	9	4
China	16	13	11	15	4
Chinese Taipei	14	8	14	12	4
Colombia	11	-	-	-	1
Cuba	7	5	6	2	4
Dominican Republic	5	1	9	4	4
Israel	6	-	-	-	1
Italy	12	7	10	10	4
Japan	3	3	1	1	4
Mexico	13	11	8	6	4
Netherlands	4	4	7	11	4
Panama	-	-	15	14	2
Puerto Rico	2	2	5	5	4
South Africa	-	-	16	16	2
South Korea	10	9	2	3	4
Spain	-	15	-	-	1
United States	1	6	4	8	4
Venezuela	8	10	3	7	4
Total of Teams:	16	16	16	16	

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
4	2017	USA	PUR	JPN
3	2013	DOM	PUR	JPN
2	2009	JPN	KOR	MEX
1	2006	JPN	CUB	KOR

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
JPN	2	-	2	4
PUR	-	2	-	2
RSA	-	1	1	2
DOM	1	-	-	1
USA	1	-	-	1
CUB	-	1	-	1
VEN	-	-	1	1
Total:	4	4	4	12

INTERCONTINENTAL CUP

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2010	2006	2002	1999	1997	1995	1993	1991
Argentina	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aruba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	-	5	-	1	3	-	6	-
Brazil	-	-	9	-	-	5	-	-
Canada	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
China	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese Taipei	4	3	4	5	-	7	-	4
Colombia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1
Czech Republic	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	-	7	-	10	10
Hong Kong	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italy	3	6	7	6	6	10	8	7
Japan	5	4	5	3	1	2	3	2
Mexico	-	-	10	-	-	8	7	6
Netherlands	2	2	8	8	-	9	-	-
Nicaragua	7	-	-	-	5	3	4	3
Panama	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
Russia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-
South Korea	6	7	2	7	-	4	5	5
Spain	-	-	-	-	8	11	9	8
Thailand	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	-	-	-	4	4	-	2	-
Venezuela	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-
Total of Teams:	10	8	11	8	8	12	10	10

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
17	2010	CUB	NED	ITA
16	2006	CUB	NED	TPE
15	2002	CUB	KOR	DOM
14	1999	AUS	CUB	JPN
13	1997	JPN	CUB	AUS
12	1995	CUB	JPN	NCA
11	1993	CUB	USA	JPN
10	1991	CUB	JPN	NCA
9	1989	CUB	JPN	PUR
8	1987	CUB	USA	JPN
7	1985	CUB	KOR	JPN
6	1983	CUB	USA	TPE
5	1981	USA	CUB	DOM
4	1979	CUB	JPN	USA
3	1977	KOR	USA	JPN

1989	1987	1985	1983	1981	1979	1977	1975	1973	EDITIONS PLAYED
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1
-	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	8	-	8	-	-	-	-	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	5	5	6	5	-	8	4	5	7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
5	4	4	3	-	-	7	-	7	12
-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	2
1	1	1	1	2	1	-	-	-	14
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
7	10	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	12
2	3	3	-	6	2	3	2	1	16
-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	6
-	8	7	7	-	4	4	3	4	12
-	-	-	-	7	6	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	-	-	-	-	5	6	5	2	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
4	6	2	5	4	-	1	6	-	14
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
6	2	6	2	1	3	2	1	3	12
-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	2
7	10	8	7	8	6	9	8	8	

2	1975	USA	JPN	NCA
1	1973	JPN	PUR	USA

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
CUB	11	3	-	14
USA	2	4	2	8
AUS	1	-	1	2
PUR	-	1	1	2
ITA	-	-	1	1
KOR	1	2	-	3
DOM	-	-	2	2
NED	-	2	-	2
NCA	-	-	3	3
JPN	2	5	5	12
TPE	-	-	2	2
Total:	17	17	17	51

BASEBALL WORLD CUP

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2011	2009	2007	2005	2003	2001	1998	1994
Australia	5	5	6	9	-	10	7	9
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brazil	-	-	-	13	7	-	-	-
Canada	3	3	9	9	9	11	10	14
China	-	22	-	11	14	-	13	-
Chinese Taipei	13	8	8	11	4	3	10	6
Colombia	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	12
Costa Rica	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croatia	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1
Curacao (AHO)	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	-
Czech Republic	-	20	-	16	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	9	-	-	-	-	8	8	13
El Salvador	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	-	-	-	15	15	-	16
Germany	15	17	14	-	-	-	-	-
Great Britain	-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honduras	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italy	9	14	10	-	12	11	4	7
Japan	12	10	3	5	3	4	5	3
Mexico	-	11	7	-	11	-	-	-
Netherlands	1	6	4	4	9	7	6	10
Nicaragua	14	13	-	6	6	9	3	4
Panama	8	-	10	3	2	5	10	5
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	15	-	-
Puerto Rico	9	4	-	8	-	-	-	11
Russia	-	-	-	-	12	13	15	-
South Africa	-	21	15	18	-	13	15	-
South Korea	6	9	5	2	8	6	2	2
Spain	-	12	12	13	-	-	13	-
Sweden	-	19	-	16	-	-	-	15
Thailand	-	-	15	-	-	-	-	-
United States	4	1	1	7	5	2	9	8
Venezuela	7	7	12	-	-	-	-	-
Total of Teams:	16	22	16	18	15	16	16	16

1990	1988	1986	1984	1982	1980	1978	1976	1974	1973	1973	1972	1971
-	-	-	-	9	7	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	12	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-
8	5	-	-	5	5	9	-	4	6	-	9	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	3	3	2	4	-	-	5	4	4	-	6	-
-	-	10	-	-	7	-	8	3	4	-	2	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	11	-
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-	-	-	12	6	-	-	5	4	-	4	6	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	11	-
10	9	5	11	9	6	6	-	4	-	-	15	8
5	4	5	4	2	3	4	3	-	-	-	4	-
11	-	-	-	-	11	8	10	-	10	6	-	8
9	10	9	13	6	11	7	11	-	-	8	-	-
2	7	-	7	-	-	5	4	2	2	-	3	3
-	-	-	6	6	-	-	9	-	-	5	5	5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	6	7	8	-	7	-	2	4	3	2	6	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-
3	8	2	5	1	2	3	5	-	-	-	-	-
-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	2	4	3	3	4	2	1	1	1	-	-	-
12	-	7	9	-	7	-	-	-	-	3	-	-
12	12	12	13	10	12	11	11	9	11	8	16	10

BASEBALL WORLD CUP

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	1970	1969	1965	1961	1953	1952	1951	1950
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brazil	-							
Canada	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
China	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chinese Taipei	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Colombia	4	5	1	-	7	8	8	6
Costa Rica	-	-	-	5	-	10	6	11
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	1	1	-	1	1	1	3	1
Curacao (AHO)	8	10	8	7	10	9	-	-
Czech Republic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dominican Republic	6	3	4	4	4	2	4	2
El Salvador	-	-	9	10	11	9	11	9
France	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Germany	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Great Britain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greece	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	-	10	7	6	7	11	10	10
Hawaii	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Honduras	-	-	-	7	-	12	-	12
Italy	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	-	9	2	2	7	7	9	7
Netherlands	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nicaragua	7	5	4	7	3	5	5	5
Panama	-	5	4	-	5	4	7	4
Philippines	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Puerto Rico	3	5	3	-	6	3	1	8
Russia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thailand	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Venezuela	5	4	-	3	2	6	2	3
Total of Teams:	11	11	9	10	11	13	11	12

1948	1947	1945	1944	1943	1942	1941	1940	1939	1938	EDITIONS PLAYED
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
3	1	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
-	7	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	3	1	1	2	1	1	-	30
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
1	-	-	5	3	2	4	-	-	-	24
8	7	5	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	11
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
6	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
4	4	-	2	2	4	3	6	-	-	24
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18
7	3	4	7	-	-	6	2	2	-	31
5	6	3	4	4	-	4	-	-	-	25
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
2	2	-	7	-	-	8	6	-	-	27
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	5	6	3	3	2	25
-	4	1	1	-	3	1	4	-	-	21
8	9	6	8	4	5	9	7	3	2	

BASEBALL WORLD CUP

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
39	2011	NED	CUB	CAN
38	2009	USA	CUB	CAN
37	2009	USA	CUB	JPN
36	2005	CUB	KOR	PAN
35	2003	CUB	PAN	JPN
34	2001	CUB	USA	TPE
33	1998	CUB	KOR	NCA
32	1994	CUB	KOR	JPN
31	1990	CUB	NCA	KOR
30	1988	CUB	USA	TPE
29	1986	CUB	KOR	TPE
28	1984	CUB	TPE	USA
27	1982	KOR	JPN	USA
26	1980	CUB	KOR	JPN
25	1978	CUB	USA	KOR
24	1976	USA	PUR	JPN
23	1974	USA	NCA	COL
22	1973	USA	NCA	PUR
21	1973	CUB	PUR	VEN
20	1972	CUB	USA	NCA
19	1971	CUB	COL	NCA
18	1970	CUB	USA	PUR
17	1969	CUB	USA	DOM
16	1965	COL	MEX	PUR
15	1961	CUB	MEX	VEN
14	1953	CUB	VEN	NCA
13	1952	CUB	DOM	PUR
12	1951	PUR	VEN	CUB
11	1950	CUB	DOM	VEN
10	1948	DOM	PUR	COL
9	1947	COL	PUR	NCA
8	1945	VEN	COL	PAN
7	1944	VEN	MEX	CUB
6	1943	CUB	MEX	DOM
5	1942	CUB	DOM	VEN
4	1941	VEN	CUB	MEX
3	1940	CUB	NCA USA	-
2	1939	CUB	NCA	USA
1	1938	GBR	USA	-

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD

TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
CUB	24	4	2	30
USA	5	8	3	16
VEN	3	2	4	9
PUR	1	4	4	9
COL	2	2	2	6
KOR	1	5	2	8
DOM	1	3	2	6
GBR	1	-	-	1
NED	1	-	-	1
NCA	-	5	5	10
MEX	-	4	1	5
JPN	-	1	5	6
TPE	-	1	3	4
PAN	-	1	2	3
CAN	-	-	2	2
Total:	39	40	37	116

SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2018	2016	2014	2012	2010	2006	2002	1998
Argentina	-	-	-	14	14	-	-	-
Aruba	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Australia	4	10	3	3	6	3	5	2
Austria	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bahamas	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belgium	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belize	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bermuda	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Botswana	16	-	14	-	16	14	-	-
Brazil	-	12	-	-	-	-	-	-
Canada	3	3	4	4	3	5	9	5
China	10	7	7	5	4	4	4	4
Chinese Taipei	9	11	5	7	7	8	3	7
Colombia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13
Croatia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cuba	-	15	9	-	9	-	-	-
Curacao (AHO)	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	10
Czech Republic	-	17	11	9	10	-	15	12
Denmark	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	17
Dominican Republic	-	-	12	-	13	-	16	-
Ecuador	-	22	-	-	-	-	-	-
El Salvador	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	23	-	-	-	-	-	-
Great Britain	11	13	16	11	11	10	-	-
Greece	-	19	-	-	-	9	-	-
Guam	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guatemala	-	20	-	-	-	-	-	-
India	-	29	-	-	-	-	-	-
Indonesia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ireland	-	26	-	-	-	-	-	-
Israel	-	30	-	-	-	-	-	-
Italy	7	14	9	10	-	6	7	6
Japan	2	2	1	1	2	2	2	3
Kenya	-	28	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaysia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mexico	6	5	-	16	-	-	-	-
Moldova	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nauru	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Netherlands	8	4	6	6	8	12	11	9
New Zealand	13	8	8	13	12	11	6	11
Nicaragua	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Korea	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-
Pakistan	-	31	-	-	-	-	-	-
Panama	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Papua New Guinea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peru	-	21	-	-	-	-	-	-
Philippines	14	16	-	-	-	-	-	16

1994	1990	1986	1982	1978	1974	1970	1965	EDITIONS PLAYED
22	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
-	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
3	4	8	3	5	3	4	1	16
27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
14	12	-	10	7	-	-	-	4
13	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	1
24	17	-	10	-	11	-	-	4
18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
4	5	4	8	2	7	8	-	15
2	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	11
5	5	6	2	4	5	6	-	15
17	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	3
28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
10	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
12	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	13	-	-	-	-	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	6	9	-	-	-	2
21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	10	12	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	17	11	18	-	-	-	-	3
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
11	5	10	-	7	8	-	-	12
7	5	9	-	-	2	1	3	14
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	1
-	15	-	-	-	12	5	-	6
25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	23	-	-	-	-	1
8	9	7	6	5	6	-	-	14
6	2	3	1	3	9	7	4	16
-	-	-	13	15	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	13	13	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	12	-	5	-	4	3	-	7

SOFTBALL WORLD CUP

STANDINGS - ALL EDITIONS

TEAM	2018	2016	2014	2012	2010	2006	2002	1998
Puerto Rico	5	9	15	8	-	-	8	-
Russia	-	-	13	-	-	-	13	-
Serbia	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-
Singapore	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South Africa	15	-	-	15	15	15	14	15
South Korea	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14
Spain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Switzerland	-	27	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. Virgin Islands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Uganda	-	24	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ukraine	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
United States	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1
Venezuela	12	6	-	12	5	7	10	8
Zambia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zimbabwe	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total:	16	31	16	16	16	15	16	17

PODIUM

EDITION	YEAR	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
16	2018	USA	JPN	CAN
15	2016	USA	JPN	CAN
14	2014	JPN	USA	AUS
13	2012	JPN	USA	AUS
12	2010	USA	JPN	CAN
11	2006	USA	JPN	AUS
10	2002	USA	JPN	TPE
9	1998	USA	JPN	JPN
8	1994	USA	CHN	AUS
7	1990	USA	NZL	CHN
6	1986	USA	CHN	NZL
5	1982	NZL	TPE	NZL
4	1978	USA	CAN	NZL
3	1974	USA	JPN	NZL
2	1970	JPN	USA	PHI
1	1965	AUS	USA	JPN

1994	1990	1986	1982	1978	1974	1970	1965	EDITIONS PLAYED
9	9	5	-	9	13	-	-	10
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7
15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
16	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
1	1	1	4	1	1	2	2	16
-	-	-	9	-	15	-	-	9
-	-	-	-	14	-	9	-	2
-	19	12	-	-	-	-	-	2
28	20	12	23	15	15	9	5	

OVERALL MEDAL RECORD	TEAM	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL OF MEDALS
	USA	11	4	-	15
	JPN	3	6	2	11
	AUS	1	2	6	9
	NZL	1	1	2	4
	CHN	-	2	1	3
	CAN	-	1	3	4
	PHI	-	-	1	1
	TPE	-	-	1	1
	Total:	16	16	16	48

ABOUT THE WBSC

After a history spanning 75 years, the International Baseball Federation (IBAF) and International Softball Federation (ISF) joined together to create the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC), the world governing body of baseball and softball.

IBAF President Riccardo Fraccari and ISF President Don Porter announced the merger on 14 April 2013, after signing the new body's constitution at a news conference during the IBAF congress at a Tokyo Hotel. Fraccari and Porter sat on the Committee that picked the name of the new organisation. The World Baseball Softball Confederation was a legitimate compromise between the proposal by ISF (ICSB, International Confederation Softball Baseball) and IBAF (IBSF, International Baseball Softball Confederation). The historic inaugural Congress of the WBSC took

place in Tunisia, in May 2014. Thomas Bach, the president of the International Olympic Committee, wrote in a message: "This historic inaugural Congress reflects the efforts and the changes of recent years...we are very pleased to see that the National Federations are following the updated structure and the new direction of the WBSC."

Six years later, the WBSC opened its new, permanent headquarters in Pully, Switzerland, to stay close to IOC and the Olympic Movement.

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A PROUD OLYMPIC HISTORY



Following various exhibitions in the Games -- 1912 Stockholm, 1936 Berlin, 1956 Melbourne, 1964 Tokyo, as well as the LA '84 and Seoul '88 demonstration tournaments -- **baseball** became an Olympic medal sport at the Barcelona 1992 Olympics.

Softball was introduced as an official Olympic sport at the 1996 Atlanta Games.

Baseball and softball were voted out of the Olympic programme on 7 July 2005.

03 Aug 2016: At the IOC Session 129 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, the IOC voted to bring baseball and

softball back for the Tokyo 2020 Games, following an unprecedented new/additional sports proposal by the organizing committee.

08 Jan 2020: **Baseball5** is included on the Sports Programme of the Youth Olympic Games Dakar 2022, later postponed to 2026, during an IOC Executive Board meeting in Lausanne, Switzerland.

23 Jun 2021: Baseball featured in the inaugural **Olympic Virtual Series** Finals on Olympic Day. The WBSC and Konami Digital Entertainment partnered to deliver the baseball event in the Olympic Virtual Series, which registered over 125,000 games played during the preliminary round and finals.

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