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2008 U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team Schedule

China Tour Exhibition Matches

March 21: lost to Tianjin 0-3
 March 22: lost to Tianjin 2-3
 March 24: def. China Army 3-1
 March 26: def. China Army 3-2
 March 28: def. ZheJiang 3-1
 March 29: def. ZheJiang 3-2
 April 1: lost to JiangSu 1-3
 April 2: def. JiangSu 3-0

Pan American Cup Tijuana and Mexicali, Mexico

May 30: lost to Dominican Republic 2-3
 May 31: def. Costa Rica 3-0
 June 1: def. Argentina 3-0
 June 2: def. Mexico 3-0
 June 3: def. Trinidad & Tobago 3-0
 June 5: lost to Puerto Rico 1-3
 June 6: def. Peru 3-0
 June 7: def. Venezuela 3-2

at Colorado Springs, Colo.

June 11: lost to Brazil 2-3
 June 13: def. Brazil 3-2
 June 14: lost to Brazil 1-4

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 1 at Kobe, Japan

June 20: lost to Turkey 1-3
 June 21: def. Kazakhstan 3-0
 June 22: def. Japan 3-2

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 2 at Wroclaw, Poland

June 27: def. Thailand 3-1
 June 28: def. Dominican Republic 3-0
 June 29: def. Poland 3-0

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 3 at Taipei, Chinese Taipei

July 4: def. Poland 3-1
 July 5: def. Turkey 3-1
 July 6: lost to Italy 0-3

FIVB World Grand Prix Finals at Yokohama, Japan

July 9: lost to Brazil 0-3
 July 10: def. Japan 3-2
 July 11: lost to Cuba 2-3
 July 12: lost to Italy 1-3
 July 13: def. China 3-2

Olympic Games Beijing, China

Aug. 9: def. Japan 3-1
 Aug. 11: lost to Cuba 0-3
 Aug. 13: def. Venezuela 3-1
 Aug. 15: def. China 3-2
 Aug. 17: def. Poland 3-2
 Aug. 19: def. Italy 3-2 (quarters)
 Aug. 21: def. Cuba 3-0 (semis)
 Aug. 23: lost to Brazil (finals)

2009 PAN AMERICAN CUP COMING TO MIAMI: USA Volleyball will host the Eighth Annual Women's Pan American Cup June 26-July 4 in conjunction with the USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championship in the Miami area. The nine-day Pan American Cup, which will tentatively have three of the four 2008 Olympic Games semifinalists (Brazil, USA and Cuba), will be played on the campuses of the University of Miami and Florida International University.

"USA Volleyball is extremely excited about the opportunity to host one of the largest international volleyball events in Miami and to pair it with the 2009 USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championships," USA Volleyball Chief Executive Officer Doug Beal said. "It will provide a unique opportunity for our developing young volleyball players to be exposed to elite international volleyball teams from North America, South America and the Caribbean. The two events will also generate terrific excitement in the community and lead to greater popularity for the sport." USA Volleyball is hosting its first-ever Women's Pan American Cup, which serves as a qualifying event into the 2010 FIVB World Grand Prix. The event is the largest international volleyball event hosted by USA Volleyball in terms of country participation. Team USA has not hosted a women's senior-level international tournament since the 1998 FIVB World Championship Qualifier tournament in 1998. Due to international scheduling and professional league commitments, matches on domestic soil have become a rarity with only seven contests against foreign teams in the most recent Olympic quadrennial (2005-2008).



SCOTT-ARRUDA STARTS FOUNDATION: Danielle Scott-Arruda (Baton Rouge, La.), a four-time Olympian and a 2008 Olympic Games silver medalist with the U.S. Women's Indoor Volleyball Team, has started the Believer in You Foundation, Inc. (BIYF). Scott-Arruda has already made an initial contribution of \$20,000 to start the project.

"I have great aspirations for this foundation; helping people get one step closer to reaching their dreams and giving hope to those who may feel like they are at one's end," Scott-Arruda said. The foundation's purpose is to encourage and support youth, young adults and persons of all ages to realize their dreams through education, art and sports. The foundation believes one's dream can become reality with passion, perseverance, determination, commitment, faith and a good support system. The foundation will provide scholarships, based on need and/or merit, to students from age 12-19 in areas of education and arts. In addition, the foundation will provide grants for athletics to assist in purchases of equipment, travel, payment of individual sessions, camps, clinics, etc. BIYF will also provide funds for those who have fallen on hard times or to help people realize their dreams. All such grants have an application process. Believer In You Foundation has been approved for tax exempt status. Checks and money orders should be made to Believer In You Foundation and can be mailed to Believer in You Foundation, Inc., P.O. Box 86184, Baton Rouge, La. 70817-1200. If needed the EIN number is 20-1689548. For more information, visit www.usavolleyball.org/media/national/BIYFoundation.pdf or contact the foundation directly at BelieverInYouFoundation@gmail.com.



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U.S. Women's Olympic Indoor Volleyball Team Quick Facts

2008 Olympic Games Roster

- 1 - Ogonna Nnamani (OH)
- 2 - Danielle Scott-Arruda (MB)
- 3 - Tayyiba Haneef-Park (OPP)
- 4 - Lindsey Berg (S)
- 5 - Stacy Sykora (L)
- 6 - Nicole Davis (L)
- 7 - Heather Bown (MB)
- 9 - Jennifer Joines (MB)
- 10 - Kim Glass (OH)
- 11 - Robyn Ah Mow-Santos (S)
- 12 - Kim Willoughby (OH)
- 15 - Logan Tom (OH)

2008 USA Statistics at Olympics

Name	Kill/S	SA/S	BL/S
Ah Mow-Santos	0.03	0.03	0.10
Berg	0.00	0.12	0.08
Bown	1.97	0.12	0.55
Davis	0.00	0.00	0.00
Glass	1.67	0.13	0.33
Haneef-Park	2.73	0.27	0.40
Joines	1.00	0.00	0.83
Nnamani	1.33	0.25	0.25
Scott-Arruda	2.17	0.10	0.57
Sykora	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tom	2.91	0.24	0.58
Willoughby	1.52	0.17	0.04

Name	Pts/S	Dig/S	Hit Eff
Ah Mow-Santos	0.17	1.37	-.125
Berg	0.20	0.44	.000
Bown	2.64	0.61	.475
Davis	0.00	2.88	.000
Glass	2.13	1.73	.271
Haneef-Park	3.40	0.80	.250
Joines	1.83	0.00	.222
Nnamani	1.83	0.50	.341
Scott-Arruda	2.83	0.73	.438
Sykora	0.00	0.55	.000
Tom	3.73	2.09	.221
Willoughby	1.74	0.87	.333

PAST OLYMPIC GAMES FINISHES:

- 1964: 5th Place (Gold: Japan)
- 1968: 8th Place (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1972: Did not qualify (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1976: Did not qualify (Gold: Japan)
- 1980: Qualified, Boycott (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1984: Silver (Gold: China)
- 1988: 7th (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1992: Bronze (Gold: Cuba)
- 1996: 7th (Gold: Cuba)
- 2000: 4th (Gold: Cuba)
- 2004: 5th (Gold: China)
- 2008: Silver (Gold: Brazil)

OLYMPIC COMMEMORATIVE APPAREL ON SALE: USA Volleyball has unveiled five commemorative logo designs to appear on apparel saluting USA Volleyball's medal successes at the recent Olympic Games and Paralympic Games in Beijing. Apparel can be purchased by clicking on the commemorative apparel link on www.usavolleyball.org. To view the logos, visit <http://www.usavolleyball.org/media/national/TShirtSaleFlyer.pdf>. Men's and ladies' T-shirt designs are \$15, while the youth T-shirt size is \$13. Long sleeve t-shirts are \$18, crew sweatshirts are \$23 and hoodies are \$30. Sizes XXL and larger have a slightly higher price. USA Volleyball's success on the Olympic grand stage in Beijing has never been achieved by any other nation since volleyball was added to the Olympics in 1964. The U.S. Olympic Men's Indoor Volleyball Team, which was named the United States Olympic Committee Team of the Month for August 2008, captured the gold medal at the Olympic Games without losing a single match. Women's Beach Volleyball (Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh) and Men's Beach Volleyball (Phil Dalhausser and Todd Rogers) both came back from Beijing with Olympic Games gold medals. The U.S. Olympic Women's Indoor Volleyball Team captured the silver medal in Beijing, as did the U.S. Women's Sitting Team during the Paralympic Games. No other country has ever participated in the gold-medal match of all four Olympic Games volleyball disciplines during the same year. Team USA added a fifth gold-medal appearance at the Paralympic Games.



USA Volleyball.

BACK TO SCHOOL: Several members of the U.S. Women's National Team are back in school this fall to complete academic degrees. Tracy Stalls (Denver) has returned to University of Nebraska and is taking her final 12 credits. She will graduate this December with an individualized program of study degree focusing on writing and art as part of the Multidisciplinary Modes of Communication – Visual, Written and Oral program. Stalls is assisting the Husker volleyball team as a student assistant coach at home matches, during practices and traveling periodically. Lindsey Hunter (Papillion, Neb.) is taking nine credit hours this fall at the University of Missouri. She will graduate this December with a degree in business and an emphasis in marketing. In addition, Hunter is serving as a volunteer assistant coach for the Missouri volleyball team. Heather Hughes (Fallbrook, Calif.) is taking her final nine credits and will graduate from Loyola Marymount University this December. She is majoring in communications studies with a minor in business. Hughes is also serving as a graduate assistant with the Loyola Marymount volleyball team. In addition, Lindsey Berg (Honolulu) is currently assisting the University of Minnesota coaching staff at home matches when possible. She was honored by Minnesota in between sets two and three of the Gophers' Sept. 20 match versus North Carolina and signed autographs after the match.

JOINES' COLLEGIATE NUMBER RETIRED: Jennifer Joines (Milpitas, Calif.), a 2008 U.S. Olympian who won a silver medal at the 2008 Olympic Games, was honored at her collegiate alma mater Sept. 26 as University of the Pacific retired her No. 6 Tiger jersey. She joins fellow Tiger Olympians Elaina Oden and Jayne McHugh as the only players in school history to have their jersey numbers retired. Joines was a rare four-time AVCA All-American (2000-2003) and finished her collegiate career with 2,225 kills and an attack efficiency of .350.

SYKORA A BIG HIT BACK HOME: Stacy Sykora was honored by her high school alma mater, Burleson High School outside of Fort Worth, during a Sept. 9 volleyball match against Granbury High School. A 1995 graduate, she returned to Burleson and was presented with a key to the city and plaque. While at the match, Sykora took time to sign autographs, not for a few minutes for a few anxious fans, but for two hours as Burleson defeated Granbury in five sets. She turned up at her collegiate alma mater 10 days later to be honored by Texas A&M. Sykora, the Aggies' first three-time Olympian, signed autographs prior to kickoff of the Texas A&M-Miami football game on Sept. 20 and was introduced to the crowd at halftime. She signed autographs the following day alongside the current Texas A&M players.

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USA Transfers to Foreign Clubs

Ah Mow-Santos, Robyn (VBC Volero, Switzerland)
 Andreyko, Diana (OK Luka Koper, Slovenia)
 Bell, Lacey (Volley Ball Pexinois Niort, France)
 Blum, Tiffany (ZOK Matija Mesic, Croatia)
 Bown, Heather (Giannino Pieralsi Volley, Italy)
 Britenricker, Joyce Nicole (Miranda, Spain)
 Brown, Victoria (ATSC Klagenfurt, Austria)
 Bruzdinski, Katherine (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
 Campbell, Lindsey (VC Tirol Volleyball, Austria)
 Deesing, Alesha (VFB91 SUHL, Germany)
 Desilets, Makare (Samorodok Khabarovsk, Russia)
 Dyer, Alexandra (Miranda Volleyball Club, Spain)
 Elmgren, Karen (Annecy Volleyball, France)
 Evans, Lauren (Sparkasse Wild Katz, Austria)
 Fair, Charnette (Dinamo Kazan, Russia)
 Gerling, Rachal (VC Tirol Volleyball Club, Austria)
 Goins, Lauren (TSV Alemannia Aachen, Germany)
 Haas, Emily (Sparkasse Klagenfurt, Austria)
 Harry, Tesha (Dresdner Sportclub 1898, Germany)
 Hart, Therese (ZOK Matija Mesic, Croatia)
 Heler, Jacqueline (TSV Dudingon, Switzerland)
 Hilbers, Johanna (OK Nova Mokosica, Croatia)
 Hood, Regan (Terville Florange Olympique, France)
 Jackson, Elizabeth (Val-de-Travers, Switzerland)
 Jenkins, Benavia (Club Volleyball Haro, Spain)
 Kane, Lindsey (OK Cestorad Vinkovci, Croatia)
 Kearney, Linzy (RC Villebon, France)
 Kehoe, Bryn (VBC Biel-Bienne, Switzerland)
 Kelley, Kristin (TSV Sonthofen, Germany)
 Kirkwood, Sarah (Volley 2002 SSRRL, Italy)
 Livingston, Sherisa (CV Tomis 2004, Romania)
 Lott, Erica (VC Weisbaden, Germany)
 Lungren, Sara (Benidorm, Spain)
 Magee, Brandy (Benidorm, Spain)
 Matic, Crystal (Neuchatel Universite, Switzerland)
 McLaughlin, Cassandra (Kuusamon Pallo-Karhut (Paka), Finland)
 McNatt, Therese (Benidorm, Spain)
 Moriarty, Michelle (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
 O'Connor, Erin (Kuusamon Pallo-Karhut (Paka), Finland)
 Odion, Stella (Oriveden Ponnistus/Ligajaosto, Finland)
 Piccolini, Lindsay (TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen, Germany)
 Reed, Rashinda (Pislaploki, Finland)
 Romero, Daniela (Clube Desportiva Ribeirense, Portugal)
 Royster-Crockett, Marrita (Cheseaux/Lausanne, Switzerland)
 Russell, Kelly (Sm' Aesch Pfeffingen, Switzerland)
 Sanders, Juliana (TSV Sonthofen, Germany)
 Sandstrom, Stefanie (OK Nova Mokosica, Croatia)
 Savage, Francheska (OK Banka Pula, Croatia)
 Shepp, Allison (OK Putj, Slovenia)
 Slack, Brigitte (TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen, Germany)
 Stalzer, Lindsay (Menorca, Spain)
 Stidham, Missie (Sparkasse Klagenfurt, Austria)
 Stovall, Desma (USSPA - Albi, France)
 Sweany, Morgan (OK Benedikt, Slovenia)
 Thiry, Addie (OK Benedikt, Slovenia)
 Thomas, Elisha (VK Prostějov, Czech Republic)
 Thompson, Courtney (Zeiler Koeniz, Switzerland)
 Todd, Jennifer (Terville Florange, France)
 Tom, Logan (Hisamitsu Seiyaku Springs, Japan)
 Turner, Whitney (OK Luka Koper, Slovenia)
 Williams, Sherri (C.V. Haro, Spain)
 Wise, Bonita (C.E. Camp Escolar, Spain)
 Yanchulova, Petia (Anorthosis Famagusta, Cyprus)
 Zeltman, Sarah (VC Tirol Volleyball Club, Austria)

* **NOTE:** Only players who have completed the transfer process are listed. Other players are in the process of completing the paperwork, including several current and past U.S. Women's National Team members.

2009 WORLD GRAND PRIX: The 12-team field into the 2009 FIVB World Grand Prix is nearing completion after the European qualifier wrapped up this month. Netherlands, which won the 2007 World Grand Prix but failed to qualify for the 2008 World Grand Prix, made sure it would be part of the 2009 event by winning the European qualifier. Russia and Germany also secured tickets to the 2009 World Grand Prix by finishing second and third in the event. Poland, which finished fourth in the event, is the FIVB wild card into the 2009 World Grand Prix. Italy, the 2007 FIVB World Cup champions, failed to qualify at the event. The U.S., Brazil, Dominican Republic and Puerto Rico qualified for the 2009 World Cup earlier in 2008 at the Pan American Cup. Japan and China have already earned spots into the event as well. The final two spots will be decided among Korea, Kazakhstan, Taiwan, Vietnam, Australia and Thailand at the Asian qualifier held Oct. 1-7 in Thailand. The 2009 FIVB World Grand Prix preliminary weekends will be held July 31-Aug. 16 and the Final Round is scheduled for Aug. 19-23 at Tokyo.

ADAMS JOINS MIZUNO STAFF: Emily Adams, who competed for the U.S. Women's National Team at the 2002 Pan American Cup, has joined Mizuno USA, Inc. as the company's new Volleyball Promotions Coordinator. With work experience at CBS Outdoor, Wells Fargo Financial and Conquest Productions, along with volleyball playing and leadership experience as Team Captain at the University of Southern California, Adams will be responsible for working with sales and marketing to promote Mizuno's volleyball division, with an emphasis on Mizuno's relationship with collegiate sponsorships, qualifier sponsorships, and the domestic USAV contract which was recently extended through 2012.

2008 USA Women's National Team Volleyball Final Stats

Name	Sets	Kills	Kills/ Set	Kill PCT	Attack Errors	Total Attack	Hitting %	Service Aces	Aces/ Set	Stuff Blocks	Blocks/ Sets	Points	Points Set
Ah Mow-Santos	59	1	0.02	10.0	2	10	-.120	0	0.00	7	0.32	32	1.45
Akinradewo	57	132	2.32	54.5	26	242	.438	15	0.26	36	0.63	183	3.21
Barboza	66	117	1.77	38.0	51	308	.214	2	0.03	19	0.29	138	2.09
Berg	82	2	0.02	12.5	3	16	-.063	8	0.10	9	0.11	19	0.23
Bown	85	144	1.69	49.8	24	289	.415	11	0.13	48	0.56	203	2.39
Busse	22	25	1.14	30.1	15	83	.120	0	0.00	7	0.32	32	1.45
Crawford	1	0	0.00	0.0	4	5	-.800	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Crimes	27	65	2.41	52.4	15	124	.403	5	0.19	26	0.96	96	3.56
Davis	129	0	0.00	0.0	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Faucette	20	51	2.55	40.2	24	127	.213	2	0.10	3	0.15	56	2.80
Glass	84	155	1.85	40.8	61	380	.247	19	0.23	30	0.36	204	2.43
Haneef-Park	82	259	3.16	42.8	81	605	.294	15	0.18	29	0.35	303	3.70
Hooker	24	70	2.92	35.9	34	195	.185	3	0.13	18	0.75	91	3.79
Hughes	55	88	1.60	34.4	45	256	.168	8	0.15	7	0.13	103	1.87
Hunter	13	1	0.08	25.0	0	4	.250	3	0.23	0	0.00	4	0.31
Joines	22	40	1.82	48.2	6	83	.410	0	0.00	18	0.82	58	2.64
Klineman	53	92	1.74	36.9	28	249	.257	6	0.11	23	0.43	121	2.28
McGinnis	78	26	0.33	50.0	6	52	.385	6	0.08	11	0.14	43	0.55
Nnamani	42	91	2.17	44.0	26	207	.314	8	0.19	13	0.31	112	2.67
Olsovsky	4	1	0.25	20.0	3	5	-.400	1	0.25	0	0.00	2	0.50
Paolini	8	10	1.25	52.6	0	19	.526	4	0.50	1	0.13	15	1.88
Pressey	15	18	1.20	32.7	11	55	.127	1	0.07	1	0.07	20	1.33
Richards	33	69	2.09	38.1	34	181	.193	5	0.15	8	0.24	82	2.48
Scott-Arruda	88	189	2.15	56.9	26	332	.491	9	0.10	62	0.70	260	2.95
Spicer	4	0	0.00	0.00	0	1	.000	1	0.25	0	0.00	1	0.25
Stalls	61	132	2.16	49.6	28	266	.391	7	0.11	50	0.82	189	3.10
Sykora	70	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Tom	80	229	2.86	36.8	100	623	.207	20	0.25	37	0.46	286	3.58
Willoughby	48	94	1.96	40.1	44	234	.214	11	0.23	12	0.25	117	2.44
TEAM	166	2,101	12.66	42.5	702	4,949	.283	178	1.07	473	2.85	2,752	16.58

Dig Totals on China Tour: Nicole Davis 112 (3.29 d/s); Angie McGinnis 35 (1.06); Heather Hughes 32 (1.14); Destinee Hooker 21 (0.88); Alix Klineman 21 (0.72); Tracy Stalls 16 (0.50); Angie Pressey 15 (1.00); Lindsey Hunter 13 (1.63); Juliann Faucette 11 (0.73); Cassie Busse 8 (0.57); Foluke Akinradewo 6 (0.18); Nellie Spicer 4 (1.00); Therese Crawford 2 (2.00); Lauren Paolini 2 (0.25). Team: 298 (8.76 d/s). Opponent 226 (6.65 d/s).

Dig Totals at Pan American Cup: Stacy Sykora 55 (2.29 d/s); Cynthia Barboza 39 (1.34); Heather Hughes 29 (1.07); Kristin Richards 20 (0.77); Angie McGinnis 18 (0.64); Alix Klineman 14 (0.58); Tracy Stalls 7 (0.24); Alexis Crimes 5 (0.19); Lindsey Hunter 2 (0.40); Lauren Paolini 1 (0.33); Juliann Faucette 0 (0.00); Olsovsky 0 (0.00). Team: 190 (5.59 d/s). Opponent: NA.

Dig Totals for Brazil Exhibition Series: Stacy Sykora 27 (2.08 dig/set); Logan Tom 11 (1.57); Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 15 (1.50); Kim Willoughby 10 (1.43); Nicole Davis 19 (1.36); Angie McGinnis 9 (1.29); Kim Glass 7 (1.17); Lindsey Berg 5 (0.83); Cynthia Barboza 11 (0.79); Danielle Scott-Arruda 8 (0.67); Ogonna Nnamani 6 (0.60); Jennifer Joines 3 (0.43); Cassie Busse 7 (0.50); Heather Bown 1 (0.10).

Digs Totals at World Grand Prix: Nicole Davis 84 (1.71 digs/set), Kim Willoughby 27 (1.44), Logan Tom 56 (1.38), Kim Glass 59 (1.21), Lindsey Berg 33 (0.63), Nnamani 12 (0.55), Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 11 (0.53), Tayyiba Haneef-Park 27 (0.50), Heather Bown 15 (0.36), Danielle Scott-Arruda 15 (0.33), Cynthia Barboza 6 (0.26), Jennifer Joines 2 (0.22).

Digs Totals at Olympic Games: Nicole Davis 95 (2.88 digs/set); Logan Tom 69 (2.09); Kim Glass 52 (1.73); Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 41 (1.37); Kim Willoughby 20 (0.87); Tayyiba Haneef-Park 24 (0.80); Danielle Scott-Arruda 22 (0.73); Heather Bown 20 (0.61); Stacy Sykora 6 (0.55); Ogonna Nnamani 6 (0.50); Lindsey Berg 11 (0.44).

All-Time USA Women's Indoor Volleyball Olympians

1964 (Tokyo)

5th Place

Patti Bright
Jean Gaertner
Lou Galloway
Barbara Harwerth
Linda Murphy
Gail O'Rourke
Nancy Owen
Mary Jo Pepler
Mary Perry
Sharon Peterson
Verneda Thomas
Jane Ward

1968 (Mexico City)

8th Place

Patti Bright
Kathryn Heck
Fanny Hopeau
Ninja Jorgensen
Laurie Lewis
Miki McFadden
Marilyn McCreavy
Nancy Owen
Barbara Perry
Mary Perry
Sharon Peterson
Jane Ward

1980 (Moscow)

Did Not Compete (USA Boycott)

Janet Baier
Carolyn Becker
Rita Crockett
Patty Dowdell
Laurie Flachmeier
Debbie Green
Flo Hyman
Laurel Brassey
Debbie Landreth
Diane McCormick
Terry Place
Sue Woodstra

1984 (Los Angeles)

Silver Medal

Jeanne Beauprey
Carolyn Becker
Linda Chisholm
Rita Crockett
Laurie Flachmeier
Debbie Green
Flo Hyman
Rose Magers
Kim Ruddins
Julie Vollertsen
Paula Weishoff
Sue Woodstra

1988 (Seoul)

7th Place

Deitre Collins
Caren Kemner
Laurel Kessel
Tammy Liley
Liz Masakayan
Jayne McHugh
Melissa McLinden
Kim Oden
Keba Phipps
Kim Ruddins
Angela Rock
Liane Sato

1992 (Barcelona)

Bronze Medal

Janet Cobbs
Tara Cross-Battle
Lori Endicott
Caren Kemner
Ruth Lawanson
Tammy Liley
Elaina Oden
Kim Oden
Liane Sato
Paula Weishoff
Tee Williams
Yoko Zetterlund

1996 (Atlanta)

7th Place

Tara Cross-Battle
Lori Endicott
Caren Kemner
Kristin Klein
Tammy Liley
Bev Oden
Elaina Oden
Danielle Scott
Paula Weishoff
Tee Williams
Elaine Youngs
Yoko Zetterlund

2000 (Sydney)

4th Place

Robyn Ah Mow
Heather Bown
Tara Cross-Battle
Mickisha Hurley
Sarah Noriega
Demetria Sance
Danielle Scott
Stacy Sykora
Charlene Tagaloa
Logan Tom
Kerri Walsh
Allison Weston

2004 (Athens)

5th Place

Robyn Ah Mow-Santos
Elisabeth Bachman
Lindsey Berg
Heather Bown
Tara Cross-Battle
Tayyiba Haneef
Nancy Metcalf
Ogonna Nnamani
Keba Phipps
Danielle Scott
Stacy Sykora
Logan Tom

2008 (Beijing)

Silver Medal

Robyn Ah Mow-Santos
Lindsey Berg
Heather Bown
Nicole Davis
Kim Glass
Tayyiba Haneef-Park
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INTERNATIONAL VOLLEYBALL FACT SHEET

Introduction: Volleyball has major international competitions every year and, at its highest level, is a physically demanding sport played by some of the world's most elite athletes. Of course, volleyball is also a popular recreational activity enjoyed by more than 38 million persons in the United States (more than any team sport but basketball) and more than 800 million persons globally, making it the world's most popular participant sport. This fact sheet is designed to provide more understanding about international volleyball and its major competitions, including the Olympic Games.

International Governing Body: The international governing body for volleyball is the Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB), headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland. The FIVB is the world's largest sports federation, with more than 200 member nations. Under the direction of its president, Dr. Ruben Acosta of Mexico, the FIVB oversees the administration of volleyball throughout the world and is responsible for producing several major events, including the Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, World League and World Grand Prix.

National Governing Body: The national governing body (NGB) for volleyball in the United States is USA Volleyball, formerly known as the United States Volleyball Association. Founded in 1928, USA Volleyball is responsible for the administration of all forms of volleyball in the United States, including producing the annual USA Open Volleyball Championships, Junior Olympic Championships and the USA Outdoor National Championships. As mandated by the 1978 Amateur Sports Act, USA Volleyball is responsible to the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) and the FIVB for training and nominating the teams which represent the United States in the Olympic Games and other important volleyball competitions worldwide.

Major Competitions: The four major events on the international volleyball calendar are the Olympic Games (men and women, indoor and beach), World Championships (men and women, indoor and beach), World Cup (men and women, indoor), World League (men, indoor) and World Grand Prix (women, indoor). All events are conducted quadrennially, with the exceptions of the annual World League/Grand Prix and the biennial Beach World Championships.

World Rankings: Following the decision of the FIVB Board of Administration, a new system of point attribution based on a new scale has been implemented for the FIVB World Ranking of Volleyball National Teams. The following competitions are now included:

- Senior World Championships included for four years - 25 percent reduction each year. Points are also granted for the qualification matches, to the best non-qualified teams.
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- World Cup included for two years - 50 percent

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- Men's World League / Women's World Grand Prix included for one year.

Top 40 teams in the FIVB World Ranking:

Women (Points)

1. Brazil (337.5)
2. Italy (267.5)
3. USA (261)
4. Cuba (252.5)
5. China (182.5)
6. Serbia (181)
7. Japan (172)
8. Russia (142)
9. Poland (96)
10. Korea (65.25)
11. Dominican Republic (52.75)
12. Kenya (51.5)
- 13T. Netherlands (49.75)
- 13T. Peru (49.75)
15. Germany (47.75)
16. Turkey (46)
17. Kazakhstan (45.75)
18. Algeria (37)
19. Thailand (36.25)
20. Puerto Rico (34)
21. Chinese Taipei (32.5)
22. Egypt (31.5)
- 23T. Canada (27.75)
- 23T. Tunisia (27.75)
25. Venezuela (27)
26. Cameroon (25.5)
- 27T. Uruguay (24.5)
- 27T. Mexico (24.5)
29. Azerbaijan (23.25)
30. Costa Rica (20.75)
31. Argentina (19.25)
32. Senegal (15)
33. Belgium (12.5)
34. Bulgaria (12)
35. France (11.75)
36. Australia (11)
- 37T. Czech Republic (10.5)
- 37T. South Africa (10.5)
39. Colombia (10)
40. Croatia (9)

Men (Points)

1. Brazil (313)
2. USA (257)
3. Russia (255)
4. Bulgaria (195)
5. Serbia (145.5)
6. Italy (131.5)
7. Poland (129.5)
8. Spain (94)
9. Puerto Rico (91.5)
10. China (83.75)
11. Japan (79.75)
12. Argentina (79.25)
13. Australia (70.5)
14. Germany (59)
15. Egypt (55.5)
16. Venezuela (54.75)
17. Tunisia (50)
18. France (48)
19. Korea (47.75)
20. Cuba (46.0)
21. Canada (43.75)
22. Finland (32)
23. Cameroon (31.5)
24. Iran (28.5)
25. South Africa (26.5)
26. Paraguay (20.5)
27. Czech Republic (20.25)
28. Chile (19)
29. Greece (17.75)
30. Netherlands (17.5)
31. Thailand (17)
32. Barbados (16.75)
33. Kazakhstan (16.5)
34. Colombia (15.25)
35. Dominican Republic (15)
- 36T. Portugal (14.25)
- 36T. Mexico (14.25)
38. Kenya (14)
39. Trinidad & Tobago (13.5)
- 40T. Chinese Taipei (12.75)
- 40T. Indonesia (12.75)

Olympic Games: Volleyball made its debut in the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo. Twelve teams in both the men's and women's draw earn the right to compete:

Past Olympic Champions (Men)

1964: Soviet Union (USA, ninth)
1968: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1972: Japan, (USA, DNQ)
1976: Poland (USA, DNQ)
1980: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1984: USA
1988: USA
1992: Brazil (USA, third)
1996: Netherlands (USA, ninth)
2000: Yugoslavia (USA, 11th)
2004: Brazil (USA, fourth)
2008: USA

Past Olympic Champions (Women)

1964: Japan (USA, fifth)
1968: Soviet Union (USA, eighth)
1972: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1976: Japan (USA, DNQ)
1980: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1984: China (USA, second)
1988: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1992: Cuba (USA, third)
1996: Cuba (USA, seventh)
2000: Cuba (USA, fourth)
2004: China (USA, fifth)
2008: Brazil (USA, second)

World Championships: The World Championships are held every four years in the second year after the Olympics. The site, usually separate for the men's and women's competitions, is determined by the FIVB based on bids received from interested cities. The 24 berths for the men and women are gained in the following manner (2006 information is provided in parenthesis where available):

- Host country
- Defending World Champions
- FIVB determined the appropriate number of qualification spots for each continent/zone based on performance at the 2002 World Championships and the number of teams registered for the 2006 World Championships. Each continent/zone played a World Championships Qualification Tournament in early 2002.

Past World Champions (Men)

1949: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1952: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1956: Czechoslovakia (USA, sixth)
1960: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1962: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1966: Czechoslovakia (USA, 11th)
1970: East Germany (USA, 18th)
1974: Not held
1978: Soviet Union (USA, 19th)
1982: Soviet Union (USA, 13th)
1986: USA
1990: Italy (USA, 13th)

1994: Italy (USA, third)
1998: Italy (USA, ninth)
2002: Brazil (USA, ninth)
2006: Brazil (USA, 10th)

Past World Champions (Women)

1952: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1956: Soviet Union (USA, ninth)
1960: Soviet Union (USA, sixth)
1962: Japan (USA, DNP)
1966: Japan (USA, second)
1970: Soviet Union (USA, 11th)
1974: Japan (USA, 12th)
1978: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1982: China (USA, third)
1986: China (USA, 10th)
1990: Soviet Union (USA, third)
1994: Cuba (USA, sixth)
1998: Cuba (USA, 13th)
2002: Italy (USA, second)
2006: Russia (USA, ninth)

World Cup: The World Cup is held every four years, in the year prior to the Olympic Games. Though originally held at various sites, it has been hosted by Japan since 1977. Prior to 1991, the World Cup took place in the year immediately following the Olympics. The 12 berths in the World Cup for men and women are gained in the following manner:

- Host country (Japan- Men and Women)
- Defending World Cup champion
- Winners of the five zone championships
- The highest-placed team (of each zone) not qualified for the Olympic Games in accordance with the ranking of the zone championships.

Past World Cup Champions (Men)

1965: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1969: East Germany (USA, DNP)
1973: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1977: Soviet Union (USA, 10th)
1981: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1985: USA
1989: Cuba (USA, fourth)
1991: Soviet Union (USA, third)
1995: Italy (USA, fourth)
1999: Russia (USA, fourth)
2003: Brazil (USA, fourth)
2007: Brazil (USA, fourth)

Past World Cup Champions (Women)

1973: Soviet Union (USA, sixth)
1977: Japan (USA, seventh)
1981: China (USA, fourth)
1985: China (USA, DNQ)
1989: Cuba (USA, DNQ)
1991: Cuba (USA, fourth)
1995: Cuba (USA, seventh)
1999: Cuba (USA, ninth)

Zone Championships: The volleyball world is divided into five international zones. The United States is in the NORCECA (North America Central America Caribbean) Zone, with championships held every other year at various sites. The other zones are Europe, Asia, Africa and South America. The frequency of zone championships competition varies in each of the five sections. Any nation in a particular zone may participate in its zone championships whenever such a competition is conducted.

Past NORCECA Champions (Men)

1969: Cuba (USA, third)
1971: Cuba (USA, second)
1973: USA
1975: Cuba (USA, third)
1977: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1979: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1981: Cuba (USA, second)
1983: USA
1985: USA
1987: Cuba (USA, second)
1989: Cuba (USA, third)
1991: Cuba (USA, second)
1993: Cuba (USA, second)
1995: Cuba (USA, second)
1997: Cuba (USA, second)
1999: USA
2001: Cuba (USA, second)
2003: USA
2005: USA
2007: USA

Past NORCECA Champions (Women)

1969: Mexico (USA, sixth)
1971: Mexico (USA, third)
1973: Cuba (USA, third)
1975: Cuba (USA, second)
1977: Cuba (USA, third)
1979: Cuba (USA, second)
1981: USA
1983: USA
1985: Cuba (USA, second)
1987: Cuba (USA, second)
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1997: Cuba (USA, second)
1999: Cuba (USA, second)
2001: USA
2003: USA
2005: USA
2007: Cuba (USA, second)

World League and World Grand Prix: The World League

features the top 12 men's volleyball teams in the world in competition for a total purse that has grown to \$15 million since the inaugural season in 1990. Teams are divided into three, four-team pools and each country playing the other teams in their pool four times (twice at home, twice on the road). The winner and runner-up in each pool advance to a seeded playoff round. The regular season is usually played in May and June with playoffs in early July.

The World Grand Prix is the women's counterpart to the World League, and offers a total purse of \$2 million to its 12-team field. Teams play in different four-team pools each weekend, at round-robin tournaments hosted by cities throughout Asia. The three teams with the best records join the host country for the Grand Prix Finals. The regular season is played in August and early-September with playoffs in mid-September.

World League Champions

1990: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1991: Italy (USA, third in pool)
1992: Italy (USA, first in pool, third overall)
1993: Brazil (USA, fifth in pool)
1994: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1995: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1996: Netherlands (USA, DNP)
1997: Italy (USA, DNP)
1998: Cuba (USA, DNP)
1999: Italy (USA, DNP)
2000: Italy (USA, first in pool, sixth overall)
2001: Brazil (USA, third in pool, tied-ninth overall)
2002: Russia (USA, DNP)
2003: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2004: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2005: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2006: Brazil (USA, third in pool)
2007: Brazil (USA, third in finals)

World Grand Prix Champions

1993: Cuba (USA, seventh regular season)
1994: Brazil (USA, fifth regular season)
1995: USA
1996: Brazil (USA, fifth)
1997: Russia (USA, eighth)
1998: Brazil (USA, eighth)
1999: Russia (USA, DNP)
2000: Cuba (USA, sixth)
2001: USA
2002: Russia (USA, sixth)
2003: China (USA, third)
2004: Brazil (USA, third)
2005: Brazil (USA, eighth)
2006: Brazil (USA, seventh)
2007: Netherlands (USA, eighth final, seventh preliminary)