

Female World Record Marathon

1998: Cape Town, South Africa f88ee6b57e There is a significant charity running aspect to the marathon, with participants helping to raise over £1.4 billion since its founding. f88ee6b57e

London Marathon Founded by athletes Chris Brasher and John Disley in 1981, it is typically held in April, although it moved to October for 2020, 2021, and 2022 due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Hugh Brasher (son of Chris) is the current race director and Nick Bitel its chief executive. The largely flat course is set around the River Thames, starting in Blackheath and finishing at The Mall. The London Marathon has seen the marathon world record broken The London Marathon is an annual marathon held in London, England. the World Marathon Majors, which includes seven of the world's top level marathon races f88ee6b57e

== Editions == f88ee6b57e The race is organized by New York Road Runners and has been run every year since 1970, with the exception of 2012, when it was cancelled due to the landfall of Hurricane Sandy, and 2020, when it was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The race is held on the first Sunday of November and attracts professional competitors and amateurs from all over the world. Because of the popularity of the race, participation is chosen largely by a lottery system. The lottery is conducted through drawing from three pools, "NYC Metro Area" applicants, "National" applicants, and "International" applicants. In 2025, there were more than 200,000 applications, and only 2-3% will... f88ee6b57e The marathon begins along the Champs-Élysées, runs southeast through the city to the Bois de Vincennes, heads back through the city along the River Seine, and finishes on Avenue Foch. f88ee6b57e 2003: Valladolid, Spain f88ee6b57e

National records in the marathon current national records in the marathon, as compiled by World Athletics and other authoritative sources of road racing statistics. World Athletics is the The following tables are an overview of all current national records in the marathon, as compiled by World Athletics and other authoritative sources of road racing statistics f88ee6b57e

World Athletics is the international governing body for the sport of athletics. As of 2023, the national governing bodies of 214 countries and territories are affiliated with World Athletics as National Member Federations. According to World Athletics, their lists of national records "mainly include official records as recognized by various national federations" and notes that in some cases "federations recognize invalid performances". The Boston Marathon is considered the site of several national records, yet this course is invalid for the world record because it is point-to-point with a greater than allowable elevation drop, which aids performance. f88ee6b57e 2004: Bergen, Norway f88ee6b57e A creation of the French philologist Michel Bréal inspired by a story from Ancient Greece, the marathon was one of the original modern Olympic events in 1896 in Athens. The distance did not become standardized until 1921. The distance is also included in the World Athletics Championships, which began in 1983. It is the only running road race included in both championship competitions (walking races on roads are also contested in both). f88ee6b57e World Athletic's list includes Palestine, whose Palestine Athletic Federation is the national governing body of athletics affiliated to World Athletics. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland is represented in World Athletics by UK Athletics, which in turn is affiliated with the athletic associations of England, Northern Ireland... f88ee6b57e 2000: Dartmouth, Canada f88ee6b57e 2008: Týn nad Vltavou, Czech Republic f88ee6b57e The last Championships was held in 2023. f88ee6b57e 2005: Perth, Australia f88ee6b57e 1999: Győr, Hungary f88ee6b57e == Editions == f88ee6b57e 2006: Tremolat, France f88ee6b57e Key f88ee6b57e The competition replaced the female-only IAAF World Women's Road Race Championships, which was held annually from 1983 to 1991. f88ee6b57e == Background == f88ee6b57e 1990: Copenhagen, Denmark f88ee6b57e The race has several components: it has a mass race for the public, professional races for men and women long-distance runners, elite-level wheelchair races for men and women, and a 3-mile mini marathon event for under-17 athletes. In 2026, London Marathon Events launched a collaboration with Friday Night Lights, a paid-for 5km run at Battersea Park on the Friday prior to the marathon. f88ee6b57e 1988: Nottingham, United Kingdom f88ee6b57e

Half marathon 1K, or 13. 1 miles. The half marathon is also known by its rounded distance: a 21K, a 21. 5 yd)—half the distance of a marathon. If finisher medals are awarded, the medal or ribbon may differ from those for the full marathon. It is common for a half marathon event to be held concurrently with a marathon or a 5K race, using almost the same course with a late start, an early finish, or shortcuts. 13 mi 192. 0975 kilometres (c. Participation in half marathons has grown A half marathon is a road running event of 21. In a female-only race, the women's world record is 1:05:16, set by Peres Jepchirchir of Kenya in October 2020 f88ee6b57e

2010: Banyoles, Spain f88ee6b57e

ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships In a canoe the paddler kneels on one knee with the other leg forward and foot flat on the floor inside the boat, and paddles a single-bladed paddle

on one side only. Race categories vary by the number of athletes in the boat, the length of the course, and whether the boat is a canoe or kayak. The race usually starts and ends at the same place, and includes portages. ICF Canoe Marathon World Championships is an International Canoe Federation competition in canoe marathon in which athletes compete over long distances. In a kayak, the paddler is seated in the direction of travel, and uses a double-bladed paddle. The World Championships were held every two years from 1988, becoming annual in 1998

World Athletics Half Marathon Championships It was renamed the IAAF World Road Running Championships in 2006 and reduced in distance to a 20K run, but reverted to the half marathon distance the following year and to the original competition name the year after that. The competition was launched as the IAAF World Half Marathon Championships in 1992 and held annually until 2010. The competition was renamed to its current title in 2020 after the governing body rebranded itself moving away from the long-standing International Association of Athletics Federations (IAAF) moniker and expanded to include additional races. The World Athletics Half Marathon Championships (before named World Athletics Road Running Championships) is a biennial international road running competition organised by World Athletics

The event is held on Patriots' Day, which was April 19 (or April 20 if April 19 was a Sunday) until the implementation of the Uniform Monday Holiday Act in 1971. Since 1971, except in 2020 (race not held) or 2021 (Columbus Day holiday), the Boston Marathon is held on the third Monday in April. Various factors meant that until 1957 the course varied in length, due to which the marathon recognizes several course records that are slower than previous records due to being run on longer courses. The first Boston Marathon included only 15 runners, all of whom were men, and was won by John McDermott. The race was cancelled twice, in 1918 because of World War I, where a ekiden-style relay was conducted of military teams, and in 2020, when Massachusetts authorities refused to allow the event to be conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

1987 World Championships in Athletics – Women's marathon The race was won by Portugal's Rosa Mota in 2:25:17, a new championship record, ahead of Zoya Ivanova of the Soviet Union in second and France's Jocelyne Villeton in third. Several of the world's quickest female marathoners were absent from the race. It took place on 29 August 1987; the course started and finished at the Stadio Olimpico and passed several of Rome's historic landmarks. Ingrid Kristiansen, who was the world record holder, having run the The women's marathon was one of the road events at the 1987 World Championships in Athletics in Rome, Italy

In warm conditions, the pre-race favourite, Mota, led from the start. Another of the runners expected to do well, Australia's Lisa Martin, was suffering from fatigue after working too hard in training, and she pulled out of the race after 25 kilometres (16 mi). Mota won the race by 7 minutes 21 seconds, but did not initially realise that she had finished the race, as she thought she still had to run another lap of the track in the stadium. As of 2024, this is the only time the women's marathon has been won by more than three minutes at these championships.

List of winners of the Boston Marathon 2 km) race which has been held in the Greater Boston area in Massachusetts since The Boston Marathon, one of six World Marathon Majors, is a 26. 2-mile (42. 2-mile (42. The Boston Marathon, one of six World Marathon Majors, is a 26. 2 km) race which has been held in the Greater Boston area in Massachusetts since 1897, making it the oldest annual marathon in the world

Marathon named Marathon Valley, which it then explored. 26. 195 kilometres (c. More than 800 marathons are held worldwide each year, with the vast majority of competitors being recreational athletes, as larger marathons can have tens of thousands of participants. The marathon can be completed by running or with a run/walk strategy. Sport of athletics portal Records Marathon world record progression National records in the marathon Lists The marathon is a long-distance foot race with a distance of 42. There are also wheelchair divisions. 22 mi), usually run as a road race, but the distance can be covered on trail routes

2011... == Background ==

New York City Marathon It is among the largest marathons in the world, with 59,135 finishers in 2025 and over 200,000 applicants for the 2025 race. Along with the Boston Marathon and Chicago Marathon, it is among the pre-eminent long-distance annual running events in the United States, and one of the Abbott World Marathon Majors. 195 km or 26. Along with the Boston Marathon and Chicago The New York City Marathon, currently branded as the TCS New York City Marathon for sponsorship reasons, is an annual marathon (42. 219 mi) that courses through the five boroughs of New York City, United States. largest marathons in the world, with 59,135 finishers in 2025 and over 200,000 applicants for the 2025 race

A half marathon world record is officially recognised by World Athletics. The men's world record time is 56:51, set by Yomif Kejelcha in 2026 in Buenos Aires. Jacob Kiplimo ran 56:42 in Barcelona in 2025, but this mark was not ratified by World Athletics due to his proximity to the lead car. The women's world record, in a mixed-gender race, is 1:02:52, set by Letesenbet

Gidey of Ethiopia in October 2021 in Valencia, Spain. In a female-only race, the women's world record is 1:05:16, set by Peres Jepchirchir of Kenya in October 2020. f88ee6b57e Through the 2025 edition: overall winners (men's open division) have represented 19 countries, with Americans having won the marathon the most, doing... f88ee6b57e 2007: Győr, Hungary f88ee6b57e The race started and finished at the Stadio Olimpico, and largely stayed within the area of central Rome enclosed by the Aurelian Walls. It skirted around the lower edges of three of the seven hills of... f88ee6b57e == History == f88ee6b57e 2009: Gaia, Portugal f88ee6b57e 1996: Vaxholm, Sweden f88ee6b57e == History == f88ee6b57e 1992: Brisbane, Australia f88ee6b57e 1994: Amsterdam, Netherlands f88ee6b57e

Paris Marathon The marathon begins along the Champs-Élysées, runs southeast through the The Paris Marathon (French: Marathon de Paris) is an annual marathon hosted by the city of Paris, France. It is the largest running event in France in terms of finishers and is typically among the five largest marathons in the world. terms of finishers and is typically among the five largest marathons in the world f88ee6b57e

Since 2006, the elite race has been part of the World Marathon Majors, which includes seven of the world's top level marathon races. The London Marathon has seen the marathon world record broken on seven occasions: Khalid Khannouchi broke... f88ee6b57e 2001: Stockton-on-Tees, United Kingdom f88ee6b57e 2002: Zamora, Spain f88ee6b57e Participation in half marathons has grown steadily since 2003, partly because it is a challenging distance, but does not require the same level of training that a marathon does. In 2008, Running... f88ee6b57e

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