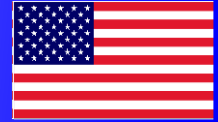




OLYMPIC GAMES



SALT LAKE CITY
February 08 - 24, 2002



LIGHT THE FIRE WITHIN

The 2002 Winter Olympics, officially the XIX Olympic Winter Games and commonly known as Salt Lake 2002, were celebrated from 8 to 24 February 2002 in and around Salt Lake City, Utah, United States. Approximately 2,400 athletes from 78 nations participated in 78 events in fifteen disciplines, held throughout 165 sporting sessions. Utah became the fifth state in the United States to host the Olympic Games and the 2002 Winter Olympics was the last Olympics to be held in the United States until the 2028 Summer Olympics in Los Angeles.

The opening ceremony was held on February 8, 2002, and sporting competitions were held up until the closing ceremony on February 24, 2002. Production for both ceremonies was designed by Seven Nielsen, and music for both ceremonies was directed by Mark Watters. Salt Lake City became the most populous area ever to have hosted the Winter Olympics, although the two subsequent host cities' populations were larger.^[1] Following a trend, the 2002 Olympic Winter Games were also larger than all prior Winter Games, with 10 more events than the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.

The Salt Lake Games faced a bribery scandal and some local opposition during the bid, as well as some sporting and refereeing controversies during the competitions. Nevertheless, from sporting and business standpoints, this was one of the most successful Winter Olympiads in history; records were set in both the broadcasting and marketing programs.

Salt Lake City was chosen over Québec City, Canada; Sion, Switzerland; and Östersund, Sweden, on June 16, 1995, at the 104th IOC Session in Budapest, Hungary. Salt Lake City had previously come in second during the bids for the 1998 Winter Olympics, awarded to Nagano, Japan, and had offered to be the provisional host of the 1976 Winter Olympics when the original host, Denver, Colorado, withdrew. The 1976 Winter Olympics were ultimately awarded to Innsbruck, Austria.



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*SPEED SKATING (10 events)

MASCOTS



SPORTS

There were 78 events in 7 sports (15 disciplines):

- *ALPINE SKIING (10 events)
- *BIATHLON (8 events)
- *BOBSLEIGH (3 events)
- *CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING (12 events)
- *CURLING (2 events)
- *FIGURE SKATING (4 events)
- *FREESTYLE SKIING (4 events)
- *ICE HOCKEY (2 events)
- *LUGE (3 events)
- *NORDIC COMBINED (3 events)
- *SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING (8 events)
- *SKELETON (2 events)
- *SKI JUMPING (3 events)
- *SNOWBOARDING (4 events)

The mascots are indigenous animals of the Western U.S., and are named after natural resources which have long been important to Utah's economy, survival, and culture. All three animals are major characters in the legends of local American Indians, and each mascot wears a charm around its neck with an original Anasazi or Fremont-style petroglyph to remind them of their heritage.

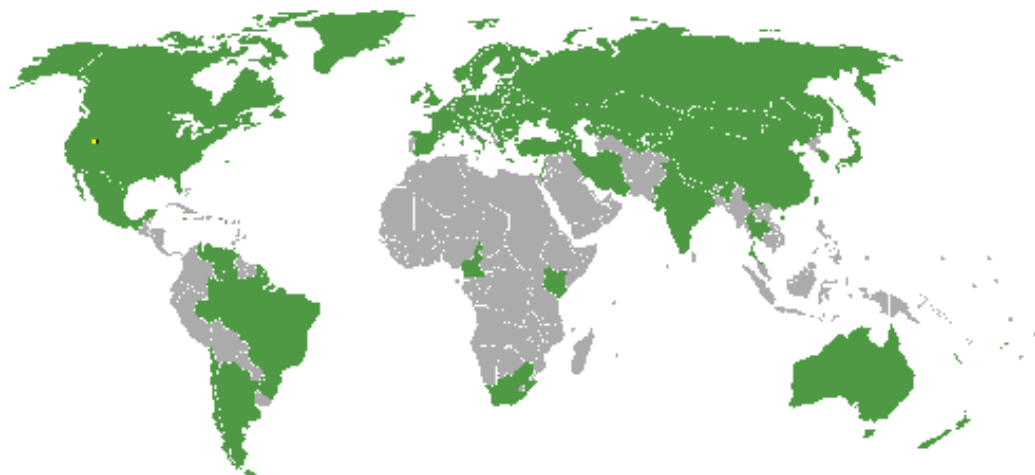
- **Powder** - A snowshoe hare, represents the Native American legend when the sun was too close to the earth and was burning it. The hare ran to the top of a mountain, and shot her arrow into the sun. This caused it to drop lower in the sky, cooling the earth. Powder is the only female of the trio, and represents *Faster/Swifter* from the Olympic motto
- **Copper** - A coyote, represents the Native American legend when the earth froze and turned dark, the coyote climbed to the highest mountaintop and stole a flame from the fire people. He returned and brought warmth and light to the people. Copper represents *Higher* from the Olympic motto
- **Coal** - An American black bear, represents the Native American legend of a group of hunters who were never able to kill a mighty bear. Today the sons of these hunters still chase the bear across the night sky, as constellations. Coal represents *Stronger* from the Olympic motto

Venues

VENUE	SPORTS
Deer Valley	Alpine skiing / Freestyle skiing
E Center	Ice hockey
Park City Mountain Resort	Alpine skiing / Snowboarding
Salt Lake Ice Center	Figure skating / Short track speed skating
Snowbasin	Alpine skiing
Soldier Hollow	Biathlon / Cross-country skiing / Nordic combined
The Ice Sheet at Ogden	Curling
Utah Olympic Oval	Speed skating
Utah Olympic Park	Bobsleigh / Luge / Skeleton / Nordic combined / Ski jumping

A total 78 National Olympic Committees sent athletes to the Salt Lake City games. Cameroon, Hong Kong (China), Nepal, Tajikistan, and Thailand participated in their first Winter Olympic Games.

ANDORRA	DENMARK	KENYA	SAN MARINO
ARGENTINA	ESTONIA	SOUTH KOREA	SLOVAKIA
ARMENIA	FIJI	KYRGYZSTAN	SLOVENIA
AUSTRALIA	FINLAND	LATVIA	SOUTH AFRICA
AUSTRIA	FRANCE	LEBANON	SPAIN
AZERBAIJAN	GEORGIA	LIECHTENSTEIN	SWEDEN
BELARUS	GERMANY	LITHUANIA	SWITZERLAND
BELGIUM	GREAT BRITAIN	MACEDONIA	CHINESE TAIPEI
BERMUDA	GREECE	MEXICO	TAJIKISTAN
BOSNIA HERZEGOVINA	HONG KONG	MOLDOVA	THAILAND
BRAZIL	HUNGARY	MONACO	TRINIDAD TOBAGO
BULGARIA	ICELAND	MONGOLIA	TURKEY
CAMEROON	INDIA	NEPAL	UKRAINE
CANADA	IRAN	NETHERLANDS	UNUTED STATES
CHILE	IRELAND	NEW ZEALAND	UZBEKISTAN
CHINA	ISRAEL	NORWAY	VENEZUELA
COSTA RICA	ITALY	POLAND	VIRGIN ISLANDS
CROATIA	JAMAICA	PUERTO RICO	YUGOSLAVIA
CYPRUS	JAPAN	ROMANIA	
CZECH REPUBLIC	KAZAKHSTAN	RUSSIA	



POLISH PARTICIPATION

RESULTS:

27 competitors(22 men, 5 women) in 9 sports

SILVER MEDAL:

Adam MAŁYSZ (ski jumping / large hill)

BRONZE MEDAL:

Adam MAŁYSZ (ski jumping / normal hill)

Other results:

ALPINE SKIING:

Andrzej Bachleda – 10 (slalom)

BIATHLON:

Krzysztof Topór – 61 (10km); 74 (20km)

Wiesław Ziemianin – 58 (10km); 50 (12.5km); 30 (20km)

Tomasz Sikora – 31 (10km); 25 (12.5km); 46 (20km)

Wojciech Kozub – 18 (10km); 34 (12.5km); 69 (20km)

Wiesław Ziemianin, Wojciech Kozub, Krzysztof Topór, Tomasz Sikora – 9 (4x7.5km relay)

Anna Stera-Kustucz – 43 (7.5km); 43 (10km); 54 (15km)

BOBSLEIGH:

Tomasz Żyła, Dawid Kupczyk, Krzysztof Sieńko, Tomasz Gatka – 18 (fours)

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING:

Janusz Krężelok – 9 (sprint); 32 (10km)

FIGURE SKATING:

Dorota Zagórska, Mariusz Siudek – 7 (pairs)

Sylwia Nowak, Sebastian Kolasiński – 13 (ice dancing)

SHORT TRACK SPEED SKATING:

Krzysztof Zdrojowski – round one (500m); round one (1000m); round one (1500m)

SKI JUMPING:

Wojciech Skupień – 42 (normal hill)

Tomasz Pochwała – 40 (normal hill); 43 (large hill)

Robert Mateja – 37 (normal hill); 29 (large hill)

Tomisław Tajner – 39 (large hill)

Robert Mateja, Tomisław Tajner, Tomasz Pochwała, Adam Małysz – 6 (team large hill)

SNOWBOARDING:

Marek Sasiadek – 11 in qualifying round 2(halfpipe)

Jagna Marczułajtis – 4 (parallel giant slalom)

SPEED SKATING:

Tomasz Świst – 22 (500m); 21 (1000m)

Paweł Abratkiewicz – 16 (500m); 29 (1000m)

Paweł Zygmunt – 14 (5000m); 14 (10000m)

Katarzyna Wójcicka-Bachleda-Curuś – 26 (1500m); 26 (3000m)



Medal count

RANK	NATION	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
1.	NORWAY	13	5	7	25
2.	GERMANY	12	16	8	36
3.	UNITED STATES	10	13	11	34
4.	CANADA	7	3	7	17
5.	RUSSIA	5	4	4	13
6.	FRANCE	4	5	2	11
7.	ITALY	4	4	5	13
8.	FINLAND	4	2	1	7
9.	NETHERLANDS	3	5	0	8
10.	AUSTRIA	3	4	10	17
11.	SWITZERLAND	3	2	6	11
12.	CROATIA	3	1	0	4
13.	CHINA	2	2	4	8
14.	SOUTH KOREA	2	2	0	4
15.	AUSTRALIA	2	0	0	2
16.	CZECH REPUBLIC	1	2	0	3
17.	ESTONIA	1	1	1	3
18.	GREAT BRITAIN	1	0	1	2
19.	SWEDEN	0	2	5	7
20.	BULGARIA	0	1	2	3
21.	JAPAN	0	1	1	2
	POLAND	0	1	1	2
23.	BELARUS	0	0	1	1
	SLOVENIA	0	0	1	1
		80	76	78	234

MAJOR STARS

Kjetil André AAMODT (Norway) – alpine skiing – two golds (total: 3-2-2)

Janica KOSTELIĆ (Croatia) – alpine skiing – three golds and one silver

Ole Einar BJØRNDALLEN (Norway) – biathlon – four gold medals (total: 5-1-0)

Andrea HENKEL (Germany) – biathlon – two golds

Kati WILHELM (Germany) – biathlon – 2 golds and 1 silver

Thomas ALSGAARD (Norway) – cross-country skiing – two golds (total: 5-1-0)

Stefania BELMONDO (Italy) – cross-country skiing – one gold, one silver, one bronze (total: 2-3-5)

Samppa LAJUNEN (Finland) – nordic combined – three gold medals

Marc GAGNON (Canada) – short track speed skating – two golds (total: 3-0-2)

YANG Yang (A) (China) – short track speed skating – two golds (total: 2-2-0)

Simon AMMANN (Switzerland) – ski jumping - two gold medals

Jochem UYTDEHAAGE (Netherlands) – speed skating – two golds and one silver

Claudia PECHSTEIN (Germany) – speed skating – two golds (total: 4-1-2)