

2024 US Olympic Trials Statistics – Men's DT

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Summary:

All time performance list at the Olympic Trials

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4		67.34	John Powell	2	Eugene	1976
5		67.16	Mac Wilkins	1q	Eugene	1980
6		67.14	John Powell	1	Los Angeles	1984
7	3	66.90	Anthony Washington	1q	Sacramento	2000
8	4	66.72	Mason Finley	1q	Eugene	2016
9	5	66.50	Ben Plucknett	3	Eugene	1980

Margin of Victory

	Difference	Winning Dist	Name	Venue	Year
Max	2.77m	57.21	Fortune Gordien	Los Angeles	1956
	2.19m	50.45	John Anderson	Stanford	1932
	2.14m	65.87	Ian Waltz	Eugene	2008
Min	6cm	63.30	Anthony Washington	New Orleans	1992

Best Marks for Places in the Olympic Trials

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Last six Olympic Trials

Year	First	Dist	Second	Dist	Third	Dist
2021	Mason Finley	63.07	Reggie Jagers	62.61	Sam Mattis	62.51
2016	Mason Finley	63.42	Tavis Bailey	61.57	Andrew Evans	61.22
2012	Lance Brooks	65.15	Jarred Rome	63.35	Jason Young	62.15
2008	Ian Waltz	65.87	Michael Robertson	63.73	Casey Malone	62.67
2004	Jarred Rome	65.77	Ian Waltz	64.69	Casey Malone	64.47
2000	Adam Setliff	63.86	John Godina	63.61	Anthony Washington	63.36

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Longest throw in Eugene

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1	1	71.32	Ben Plucknett	USA	1	4 June 1983
2	2	71.13	Kristjan Ceh	SLO	1	19 July 2022
3	3	70.98	Art Burns	USA	1	21 July 1984
4	4	70.48	Mac Wilkins	USA	1	31 May 1978

Note: None of the ancillary marks are included in the table.

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10		66.44	Anthony Washington	1q	Atlanta	1996
11		66.28	John Powell	1q	Los Angeles	1984
12		66.14	Mac Wilkins	2	Los Angeles	1984
13		66.00	Mac Wilkins	1	Indianapolis	1988
14	6	65.87	Ian Waltz	1	Eugene	2008
15		65.86	Anthony Washington	1	Atlanta	1996
16	7	65.86	John Godina	2q	Sacramento	2000
17	8	65.77	Jarred Rome	1	Sacramento	2004
18	9	65.56	Al Oerter	4	Eugene	1980
19	10	65.54	Art Burns	3	Los Angeles	1984
20	11	65.30	Mike Buncic	2	Indianapolis	1988
21	12	65.15	Lance Brooks	1	Eugene	2012
22	13	64.94	Randy Heisler	3	Indianapolis	1988
23	14	64.74	Jay Silvester	3	Eugene	1976
24		64.69	Ian Waltz	2	Sacramento	2004
25		64.58	John Godina	2	Atlanta	1996
26		64.56	Mac Wilkins	2q	Los Angeles	1984
27		64.54	Jay Silvester	1q	Eugene	1976
28	15	64.47	Casey Malone	3	Sacramento	2004
28		64.36	Jay Silvester	1q	Eugene	1972
30		64.36	Jay Silvester	1	Eugene	1972
31	16	64.30	Stan Cain	5	Eugene	1980
32		64.24	Mac Wilkins	2q	Eugene	1976

Shortest winning distance since 1976: 63.30 by Anthony Washington in 1992

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Difference between 3rd and 4th place (Making versus not making the team)

	Difference	3 rd place Dist	Name	Venue	Year
Max	3.79m	62.39	Al Oerter	Echo Summit	1968
	2.54m	65.54	Art Burns	Los Angeles	1984
Min	3cm	62.67	Casey Malone	Eugene	2008

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Longest throw in each round

Round	Dist	Name	Venue	Year
Final	68.68	Mac Wilkins	Eugene	1980
Qualifying	67.16	Mac Wilkins	Eugene	1980

Making the team multiple times:

Mason Finley	2016, 2021
Ian Waltz	2004, 2008
Casey Malone	2004, 2008
John Godina	1996, 2000
Anthony Washington	1992, 1996, 2000
Mike Buncic	1988, 1992
Mac Wilkins	1976, 1980, 1984, 1988
John Powell	1972, 1976, 1980, 1984
Jay Silvester	1964, 1968, 1972, 1976
Al Oerter	1956, 1960, 1964, 1968
Fortune Gordien	1948, 1952, 1956

Average from last ten Olympic Trials

	Average	2021	2016	2012	2008	2004	2000	1996	1992	1988	1984
Winning Dist	64.94	63.07	63.42	65.15	65.87	65.77	63.86	65.86	63.30	66.00	67.14
Making team (3 rd)	63.19	62.51	61.22	62.15	62.67	64.47	63.36	63.28	61.76	64.94	65.54
Missing team (4 th)	62.03	62.19	61.05	61.33	62.64	61.99	61.40	62.58	60.66	63.48	63.00

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Longest throw in June

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1	1	74.08	Jurgen Schult	GDR	1	Neubrandenburg	6 June 1986
2	2	71.86	Daniel Stahl	SWE	1	Bottnaryd	29 June 2019
3	3	71.86	Kristjan Ceh	SLO	1	Johvi	16 June 2023
4	4	71.84	Piotr Malachowski	POL	1	Hengelo	8 June 2013
5	5	71.64	Gerd Kanter	EST	1	Kohila	25 June 2009

Combined 2023 & 2024 US List

Performance	Performer	Distance	Name	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	69.16	Reggie Jagers	1	Ramona	27 Apr 2024
2	2	68.09	Andrew Evans	1	Ann Arbor	27 Apr 2024
3	3	67.92	Joseph Brown	1	Ramona	2 June 2024
4		67.50	Andrew Evans	1	Ramona	24 Mar 2024
5	4	67.49	Sam Mattis	1	La Jolla	8 Apr 2023
6		67.40	Andrew Evans	6	Ramona	14 Apr 2024
7	5	67.21	Marcus Gustaveson	2	Ramona	2 June 2024

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