

2025 World Championships Statistics – Women's 1500m

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The records to look for in Tokyo:

- 1) Can Kipyegon win record third gold? Can anyone beat Kipyegon?
- 2) Can Ethiopian win gold for the first time since Genzebe Dibaba in 2015?

Summary:

All time Performance List at the World Championships

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4	3	3:54.38	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	3	Doha	2019
5		3:54.52	Gudaf Tsegay		2	Eugene	2022
6		3:54.87	Faith Kipyegon		1	Budapest	2023
7	4	3:54.99	Shelby Houlihan	USA	4	Doha	2019
8		3:55.14	Faith Kipyegon		1sf2	Budapest	2023
9	5	3:55.18	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2s2	Budapest	2023
10	6	3:55.28	Laura Muir	GBR	3	Eugene	2022
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6	3:56.12	Gabriela Debues-Stafford	CAN	Doha	2019

World Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2023	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:54.87	Diribe Welteji	ETH	3:55.69	Sifan Hassan	NED	3:56.00
2022	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:52.96	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	3:54.52	Laura Muir	GBR	3:55.28
2019	Sifan Hassan	NED	3:51.95	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:54.22	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	3:54.38
2017	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	4:02.59	Jennifer Simpson	USA	4:02.76	Caster Semenya	RSA	4:02.90
2015	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	4:08.09	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	4:08.96	Sifan Hassan	NED	4:09.34
2013	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	4:02.67	Jennifer Simpson	USA	4:02.99	Hellen Obiri	KEN	4:03.86
2011	Jennifer Simpson	USA	4:05.40	Hannah England	GBR	4:05.68	Natalia Rodriguez	ESP	4:05.87
2009	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:03.74	Lisa Dobriskey	GBR	4:03.75	Shannon Rowbury	USA	4:04.18

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13		3:55.76	Laura Muir		5	Doha	2019
14		3:56.00	Sifan Hassan		3	Budapest	2023
15	7	3:56.12	Gabriela Debues-Stafford	CAN	6	Doha	2019
16		3:56.36	Laura Muir		4sf2	Budapest	2023
17	8	3:56.61	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4	Budapest	2023
18	9	3:56.72	Katie Snowden	GBR	5sf2	Budapest	2023
19	10	3:57.85	Jessica Hull	AUS	6sf2	Budapest	2023
20	11	3:57.90	Nelly Chepchirchir	KEN	5	Budapest	2023
21	12	3:58.20	Winnie Chebet	KEN	7	Doha	2019
22	13	3:58.42	Jenny Simpson	USA	8	Doha	2019
23	14	3:58.52	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	1	Paris	2003
24	15	3:58.56	Tatyana Samolenko	URS	1	Roma	1987
25		3:58.58	Laura Muir		6	Budapest	2023
26	16	3:58.67	Hildegard Körner	GDR	2	Roma	1987
27	17	3:58.75	Maryam Yusuf Jamal	BRN	1	Osaka	2007
28	18	3:58.77	Adelle Tracey	JAM	7sf2	Budapest	2023
29	19	3:59.04	Süreyya Ayhan	TUR	2	Paris	2003
30	20	3:59.27	Doina Melinte	ROM	3	Roma	1987
31	21	3:59.53	Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	1	Sevilla	1999
32		3:59.54	Jessica Hull		7	Budapest	2023
33		3:59.65	Katie Snowden		8	Budapest	2023
34	22	3:59.68	Sarah Healy	IRL	8sf2	Budapest	2023
35	23	3:59.79	Abbey Caldwell	AUS	9sf2	Budapest	2023
36	24	3:59.90	Cornelia Bürki	SUI	4	Roma	1987
37	25	3:59.93	Rababe Arafı	MAR	9	Doha	2019
38	26	3:59.95	Hayley Tullett	GBR	3	Paris	2003
39	27	4:00.13	Esther Guerrero	ESP	10sf2	Budapest	2023
40		4:00.15	Ciara Mageean		10	Doha	2019
41	28	4:00.35	Regina Jacobs	USA	2	Sevilla	1999
41		4:00.35	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	1	Helsinki	2005
43	29	4:00.50	Liu Dong	CHN	1	Stuttgart	1993
44	30	4:00.57	Gabreiela Szabo	ROM	1	Edmonton	2001
45	31	4:00.59	Yekaterina Rozenberg	RUS	4	Paris	2003
46	32	4:00.63	Andrea Lange	GDR	5	Roma	1987
46	33	4:00.63	Winnie Nanyondo	UGA	11	Doha	2019
48	34	4:00.69	Iryna Lishchynska	UKR	2	Osaka	2007
49	35	4:00.82	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	3	Osaka	2007
50	36	4:00.84	Nikki Hiltz	USA	11sf2	Budapest	2023
51		4:00.87	Nelly Chepchirchir		1h3	Budapest	2023

52	37	4:00.90	Mary Decker	USA	1	Helsinki	1983
53	38	4:00.96	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	3	Sevilla	1999
54	39	4:00.98	Violeta Szekely	ROM	4	Sevilla	1999
55		4:00.99	Jenny Simpson		1sf2	Doha	2019
56		4:01.04	Gabriela Debues-Stafford		2sf2	Doha	2019
57		4:01.05	Laura Muir		3sf2	Doha	2019
58	40	4:01.09	Sinclair Johnson	USA	2h3	Budapest	2023

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Difference between first and third

	Diff	Winning time	3 rd place time	Winner's Name	Nat	Venue	Year
Max	3.79	4:00.50	4:04.29	Liu Dong	CHN	Stuttgart	1993
Min	0.31	4:02.59	4:02.90	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	London	2017
	0.44	4:03.74	4:04.18	Maryam Jamal	BRN	Berlin	2009

Difference between third and fourth (medal versus no medal)

	Difference	3 rd place time	Name	Nat	Venue	Year
Max	6.00 second	3:55.28	Laura Muir	GBR	Eugene	2022
	1.77 second	4:04.29	Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	Stuttgart	1993
Min	0.02 second	4:00.96	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	Sevilla	1999

Slowest winning time:

4:08.09 by Genzebe Dibaba in 2015, 4:05.40 by Jenny Simpson in 2011 & then 4:04:24 by Carla Sacramento in 1997

Fastest time in each round (semi held only in 1995, 1997, 2001, 2003, 2007, 2019)

Round	Time	Name	Nat	Venue	Year
Final	3:51.95	Sifan Hassan	NED	Doha	2019
	3:52.96	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Eugene	2022
	3:54.22	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Doha	2019
Semi-final	3:55.14	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Budapest	2023
	3:55.18	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Budapest	2023
First round	4:00.87	Nelly Chepchirchir	KEN	Budapest	2023
	4:01.09	Sinclair Johnson	USA	Budapest	2023

Fastest non-qualifier for the final

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Average from last twelve (21st century) World Championships

	Average	2023	2022	2019	2017	2015	2013	2011	2009	2007	2005	2003	2001
Winning Time	4:00.0	3:54.87	3:52.96	3:51.95	4:02.59	4:08.09	4:02.67	4:05.40	4:03.74	3:58.75	4:00.35	3:58.52	4:00.57
Winning Medal	4:01.5	3:56.00	3:55.28	3:54.38	4:02.90	4:09.34	4:03.86	4:05.87	4:04.18	4:00.82	4:02.45	3:59.95	4:02.40
8 th place	4:05.3	3:59.65	4:01.98	3:58.42	4:04.35	4:13.22	4:06.01	4:08.14	4:07.71	4:08.64	4:04.77	4:02.46	4:08.17

800m – 1500m double gold medalists: None

1500m-5000m double gold medalists:

Name	Nation	Venue	Year
Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Budapest	2023

(1500m-3000m double by Samolenko in 1987)

1500m-10000m double gold medalists:

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Sifan Hassan	NED	Doha	2019

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6	3:56.12	Gabriela Debues-Stafford	CAN	Doha	2019
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8	3:58.42	Jenny Simpson	USA	Doha	2019
	3:59.65	Katie Snowden	GBR	Budapest	2023

Best Marks for Places – all competitions

Pos	Time	Name	Nat	Venue	Day Month Year
1	3:48.68	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Eugene	5 July 2025
	3:49.04	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Paris	7 July 2024
	3:49.11	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Firenze	2 June 2023
	3:50.07	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	Monaco	17 July 2015
2	3:50.83	Jessica Hull	AUS	Paris	7 July 2024
	3:51.34	Lang Yinglai	CHN	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997
	3:51.44	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Eugene	5 July 2025
3	3:52.61	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:52.67	Jessica Hull	AUS	Eugene	5 July 2025
	3:53.79	Laura Muir	GBR	Paris	7 July 2024
4	3:52.75	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:53.97	Lan Lixin	CHN	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997
	3:54.76	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	Eugene	5 July 2025
5	3:53.37	Laura Muir	GBR	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:54.52	Zhang Ling	CHN	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997
	3:55.76	Laura Muir	GBR	Doha	5 Oct 2019

6	3:55.07	Dong Yanmei	CHN	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997
	3:56.07	Susan Ejore	KEN	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:56.12	Gabriela DeBues-Stafford	CAN	Doha	5 Oct 2019
7	3:56.38	Nikki Hiltz	USA	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:56.79	Birke Haylom	ETH	Chrozow	16 Aug 2025
	3:57.20	Sarah Healy	IRL	Eugene	5 July 2025
	3:57.31 (semi)	Weronika Llzakowska	POL	Paris – St Denis	8 Aug 2024
	3:57.46	Sarah Healy	IRL	Paris	7 July 2024
8	3:57.52	Elinor St Pierre	USA	Paris – St Denis	10 Aug 2024
	3:57.57	Jessica Hull	AUS	Eugene	16 Sept 2023
	3:57.72	Saron Berhe	ETH	Eugene	5 July 2025
9	3:57.74	Freweyni Hailu	ETH	Eugene	5 July 2025
	3:57.95	Sarah Healy	IRL	Chorzow	16 Aug 2025
	3:58.08 (semi)	Revee Walcott-Nolan	GBR	Paris – St Denis	8 Aug 2024
	3:58.13	Katie Snowden	GBR	Paris	7 July 2024
10	3:57.91	Emily MacKay	USA	Eugene	5 July 2025
	3:58.11 (semi)	Sintayehu Vissa	ITA	Paris – St Denis	8 Aug 2024
11	3:58.05	Susan Ejore	KEN	Eugene	5 July 2025

Multiple Gold Medalists:

Faith Kipyegon (KEN):	2017, 2022, 2023
Maryam Yusuf Jamal (BRN):	2007, 2009
Tatyana Tomoshova (RUS):	2003, 2005
Hassiba Boulmerka (ALG):	1991, 1995

Multiple Medalists:

Faith Kipyegon (KEN):	2015 Silver, 2017 Gold, 2019 Silver, 2022 Gold, 2023 Gold
Sifan Hassan (NED):	2015 Bronze, 2019 Gold, 2023 Bronze
Jennifer Simpson (USA):	2011 Gold, 2013 Silver, 2017 Silver
Maryam Yusuf Jamal (BRN):	2007 Gold, 2009 Gold
Tatyana Tomoshova (RUS):	2003 Gold, 2005 Gold
Regina Jacobs (URS):	1997 Silver, 1999 Silver
Carla Sacramento (POR):	1995 Bronze, 1997 Gold
Hassiba Boulmerka (ALG):	1991 Gold, 1993 Bronze, 1995 Gold
Tatyana Samolenko (Dorovskikh) (URS):	1987 Gold, 1991 Silver

Multiple Medals by athletes from a single nation

Nation	Year	Gold	Silver	Bronze
RUS	2005	Tatyana Tomoshova	Olga Yegorova	
ROU	2001	Gabriela Szabo	Violeta Szekely	
URS	1991		Tatyana Dorovskikh	Lyudmila Rogachova
URS	1983		Zamira Zaytseva	Yekaterina Podkopayeva

Man & Woman from the same team winning the corresponding event:

Nation	Men	Women	Venue	Year
KEN	Elijah Manangoi	Faith Kipyegon	London	2017
BRN	Yusuf Saad Kamel	Maryam Yusuf Jamal	Berlin	2009
ALG	Noureddine Morceli	Hassiba Boulmerka	Göteborg	1995
ALG	Noureddine Morceli	Hassiba Boulmerka	Tokyo	1991

Medals by Countries:

Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze
RUS	3	1	1
USA	2	4	1
KEN	3	2	1
ALG	2		1
BRN	2		
URS	1	2	2
ROU	1	1	1
ETH	1	2	2
POR	1		1
NED	1		2
CHN	1		
SWE	1		
GBR		3	2
TUR		1	
IRL		1	
GDR		1	
UKR		1	
SUI			1
FRA			1
BUL			1
ESP			1
RSA			1

Lap times in the World Championships (fastest lap time in **bold**)

Year	400	400-800m	800-1200m	1200-1500m	Last 400m	Winning time
1983	64.04	66.88	65.75	44.23		4:00.90
1987	62.2	65.0	65.6	45.8		3:58.56
1991	66.6	65.7	65.1	44.9	60.4	4:02.21
1993	68.2	69.4	60.1	42.8	57.5	4:00.50
1995	67.4	65.1	65.2	44.8	61.1	4:02.42
1997	66.09	67.57	65.70	44.88	60.9	4:04.24
1999	63.87	59.02	63.10	43.54	58.4	3:59.53
2001	63.78	65.17	65.50	46.12	62.1	4:00.57
2003	60.50	65.26	65.85	45.91	61.1	3:58.52
2005	66.28	66.40	67.29	43.38	58.8	4:00.35
2007	65.82	63.75	63.09	46.09	61.2	3:58.75
2009	66.66	68.47	62.24	46.37		4:03.74
2011	68.78	65.16	64.95	46.51	61.93	4:05.40
2013	65.73	68.19	64.99	43.76		4:02.67
2015	77.06	68.58	57.24	45.21	59.40	4:08.09
2017	65.34	71.77	61.82	43.65	58	4:02.59
2019	63.53	62.42	61.46	44.54	59.26	3:51.95
2022	58.89	64.33	64.48	45.26	61.15	3:52.96
2023	65.14	66.64	60.63	42.46	56.63	3:54.87

World Champion with Olympic gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	Olympics
Faith Kipyegon	KEN	2017, 2022, 2023	2016, 2021
Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	1999	1996
Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	1991, 1995	1992

World Champion with World Indoor Championships Gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	World Indoor Championships
Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	2015	2012, (2014, 2016 3000m)
Abeba Aregawi	SWE	2013	2014
Gabriela Szabo	ROU	2001	1999

World Champion who previously won World Junior gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	World Junior Championships
Faith Kipyegon	KEN	2017, 2022, 2023	2012
Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	2015	2010 (5000m)
Liu Dong	CHN	1993	1992

World Championships medalist who previously won World Youth medal:

Name	Nat	World Championships	World Youth Championships
Faith Kipyegon	KEN	2017, 2022, 2023	2011

World Champion with European Championships gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	European Championships
Sifan Hassan	NED	2019	2014, 2018 (5000m)
Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	2005	2006
Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	1999	1998

World Champion with Asian Games gold medal:

Name	Nat	World Championships	Asian Games
Maryam Jamal	BRN	2007, 2009	2006, 2010

World Championships medalists with All Africa Games gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	Year	Africa Games	Year
Kutre Dulecha	ETH	Bronze	1999	Gold	1995, 1999, 2003

World Champions with African Championships gold medal

Name	Nat	World Championships	African Championships
Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	1991, 1995	1988, 1989

World Champion with Pan American Games gold medalist:

Name	Nat	World Championships	Pan American Games
Mary Decker	USA	1983	1979

World Championships medalists with Commonwealth Games Gold medal

Name	Nat	World Champ	Year	Commonwealth Games
Lisa Dobriskey	GBR	Silver	2009	2006

Kelly Holmes	GBR	Silver	1995	1994, 2002
Faith Kipyegon	KEN	Gold	2017, 2022, 2023	2014

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2005	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	4:00.35	Olga Yegorova	RUS	4:01.46	Bouchra Ghezielle	FRA	4:02.45
2003	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	3:58.52	Süreya Ayhan	TUR	3:59.04	Hayley Tullett	GBR	3:59.95
2001	Gabriela Szabo	ROU	4:00.57	Violeta Szekely	ROU	4:01.70	Natalya Gorelova	RUS	4:02.40
1999	Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	3:59.53	Regina Jacobs	USA	4:00.35	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	4:00.96
1997	Carla Sacramento	POR	4:04.24	Regina Jacobs	USA	4:04.63	Anita Weyermann	SUI	4:04.70
1995	Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	4:02.42	Kelly Holmes	GBR	4:03.04	Carla Sacramento	POR	4:03.79
1993	Liu Dong	CHN	4:00.50	Sonia O'Sullivan	IRL	4:03.48	Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	4:04.29
1991	Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	4:02.21	Tatyana Dorovskikh	URS	4:02.58	Lyudmila Rogachova	URS	4:02.72
1987	Tatyana Samolenko	URS	3:58.56	Hildegard Körner	GDR	3:58.67	Doina Melinte	ROU	3:59.27
1983	Mary Decker	USA	4:00.90	Zamira Zaytseva	URS	4:01.19	Yekaterina Podkopayeva	URS	4:02.25

Last seven Olympics:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2024	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:51.29	Jessica Hull	AUS	3:52.56	Georgia Bell	GBR	3:52.61
2021	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:53.11	Laura Muir	GBR	3:54.50	Sifan Hassan	NED	3:55.86
2016	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	4:08.92	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	4:10.27	Jennifer Simpson	USA	4:10.53
2012	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:10.74	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	4:10.90	Abeba Aregawi	ETH	4:11.03
2008	Nancy Langat	KEN	4:00.23	Iryna Lischynska	UKR	4:01.63	Nataliya Tobias	UKR	4:01.78
2004	Kelly Holmes	GBR	3:57.90	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	3:58.12	Maria Cioncan	ROU	3:58.39
2000	Nouria Merah-Benida	ALG	4:05.10	Violeta Szekely	ROU	4:05.15	Gabriela Szabo	ROU	4:05.27

Last twelve World Indoor Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2025	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	3:54.86	Diribe Welteji	ETH	3:59.30	George Hunter Bell	GBR	3:59.84
2024	Freweyni Hailu	ETH	4:01.46	Nikki Hiltz	USA	4:02.32	Emily MacKay	USA	4:02.69
2022	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	3:57.19	Axumawit Embaye	ETH	4:02.29	Hirut Meshesha	ETH	4:03.39
2018	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	4:05.27	Laura Muir	GBR	4:06.23	Sifan Hassan	NED	4:07.26
2016	Sifan Hassan	NED	4:04.96	Dawit Seyaum	ETH	4:05.30	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	4:05.71
2014	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	4:00.61	Axumawit Embaye	ETH	4:07.12	Nicole Sifuentes	CAN	4:07.61
2012	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	4:05.78	Meriem Alaoui Selsouli	MAR	4:07.78	Hind Dehiba	FRA	4:10.30
2010	Kalkidan Gezahegne	ETH	4:08.14	Natalia Rodriguez	ESP	4:08.30	Gelete Burka	ETH	4:08.39
2008	Gelete Burka	ETH	3:59.75	Maryam Yusuf Jamal	BRN	3:59.79	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	4:04.19
2006	Yuliya Chizhenko	RUS	4:04.70	Yelena Soboleva	RUS	4:05.21	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:05.53
2004	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	4:06.40	Carmen Douma-Hussar	CAN	4:08.18	Gulnara Samitova	RUS	4:08.26
2003	Regina Jacobs	USA	4:01.67	Kelly Holmes	GBR	4:02.66	Yekaterina	RUS	4:02.80

Last thirteen World Junior Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
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2024	Saron Berhe	ETH	4:16.64	Rachel Forsyth	CA	4:17.94	Jolanda Kallabis	GER	4:19.34
2022	Birke Haylom	ETH	4:04.27	Brenda Chebet	KEN	4:04.64	Purity Chepkirui	KEN	4:07.64
2020	Purity Chepkirui	KEN	4:16.07	Diribe Welteji	ETH	4:16.39	Winnie Jemutai	KEN	4:18.99
2018	Alemaz Samuel	ETH	4:09.67	Miriam Cherop	KEN	4:10.73	Delia Scabas	SUI	4:11.98
2016	Adanech Anbesa	ETH	4:08.07	Fantu Worku	ETH	4:08.43	Christiana Aragon	USA	4:08.71
2014	Dawit Seyaum	ETH	4:09.86	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	4:10.83	Sheila Chepngetich Keter	KEN	4:11.21
2012	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	4:04.96	Amela Terzic	SRB	4:07.59	Senbere Teferi	ETH	4:08.28
2010	Tizita Bogale	ETH	4:08.06	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4:09.51	Nancy Chepkwemoui	KEN	4:11.04
2008	Stephanie Twell	GBR	4:15.09	Kalkedan Gezahegne	ETH	4:16.58	Emma Pallant	GBR	4:17.06
2006	Irene Jelagat	KEN	4:08.88	Mercy Kosgei	KEN	4:12.48	Yuriko Kobayashi	JPN	4:12.88
2004	Nelya Neporadna	UKR	4:15.90	Anna Alminova	RU	4:16.32	Siham Hilali	MAR	4:17.39
2002	Viola Kibiwott	KEN	4:12.57	Birhane Hirpassa	ETH	4:13.59	Olesya Syreva	RUS	4:14.32
2000	Abebech Nigussie	ETH	4:19.93	Rose Kosgei	KEN	4:20.16	George Clarke	AUS	4:20.21

World Youth Championships

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2017	Lemlem Hailu	ETH	4:20.80	Sindu Girma	ETH	4:22.14	Edina Jebitok	KEN	4:23.16
2015	Bedatu Hirpa	ETH	4:12.92	Dalila Abdulkadir Gosa	BRN	4:13.35	Joyline Cherotich	KEN	4:15.20
2013	Tigist Gashaw	ETH	4:14.25	Dawit Seyoum	ETH	4:15.51	Alexa Efraimson	USA	4:16.07
2011	Faith Chepngetich Kipyegon	KEN	4:09.48	Senbere Teferi	ETH	4:10.54	Genet Tibiese	ETH	4:11.56
2009	Nelly Chebet Ngeiywo	KEN	4:12.76	Gete Dima	ETH	4:15.16	Amela Terzic	SRB	4:16.71
2007	Sammy Cherotich	KEN	4:15.47	Jordan Hasay	USA	4:17.24	Sheila Chepkirui	KEN	4:19.26
2005	Sheila Chepkirui	KEN	4:12.29	Yuriko Kobayashi	JPN	4:13.96	Bizunesh Urgesa	ETH	4:19.34
2003	Alem Techale	ETH	4:17.41	Jelena Stina	LAT	4:17.43	Joyce Musungu	KEN	4:17.65
2001	Georgie Clarke	AUS	4:14.08	Florence Kyalo	KEN	4:15.71	Sentayehu Ejigu	ETH	4:17.51
1999	Zanelle Grobler	RSA	4:23.06	Chibiwott Kibet	KEN	4:24.43	Elaine du Plessis	RSA	4:24.59

Last nine European Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2024	Freweyni Hailu	ETH	4:01.46	Nikki Hiltz	USA	4:02.32	Emily MacKay	USA	4:02.69
2022	Laura Muir	GBR	4:01.08	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4:02.56	Sofia Ennaoui	POL	4:03.59
2018	Laura Muir	GBR	4:02.32	Sofia Ennaoui	POL	4:03.08	Laura Weightman	GBR	4:03.75
2016	Angelika Cichocka	POL	4:33.00	Sifan Hassan	NED	4:33.76	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4:33.78
2014	Sifan Hassan	NED	4:04.18	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	4:05.08	Laura Weightman	GBR	4:06.32
2012	Nuria Fernandez	ESP	4:08.80	Diana Sujew	GER	4:09.28	Tereza Capkova	CZE	4:10.17
2010	Nuria Fernandez	ESP	4:00.20	Hind Dehiba	FRA	4:01.17	Natalia Rodriguez	ESP	4:01.30
2006	Tatyana Tomashovva	RUS	3:56.91	Yuliya Chizhenko	RUS	3:57.61	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	3:59.37
2002	Süreya Ayhan	TUR	3:58.79	Gabriela Szabo	ROU	3:58.81	Tatyana Tomashova	RUS	4:01.28

Last six Asian Games:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2023	Winfred Yavi	BRN	4:11.65	Harmilan Kaur	IND	4:12.74	Marta Hirpato	BRN	4:15.97
2018	Kalkidan Gezahegne	BRN	4:07.88	Tigist Gashaw	BRN	4:09.12	Unnikrishnan Chitra	IND	4:12.56
2014	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:09.90	Mimi Belete	BRN	4:11.03	Orchatteri P Jaisha	IND	4:13.46
2010	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:08.22	Truong Thanh Hang	VIE	4:09.58	Mimi Belete	BRN	4:10.42
2006	Maryam Jamal	BRN	4:08.63	Yuriko Kobayashi	JPN	4:14.96	Sinimole Paulose	IND	4:15.09
2002	Sunita Rani	IND	4:06.03	Tatyana Borisova	KGZ	4:12.53	Yoshiko Ichikawa	JPN	4:13.42

Last eleven Asian Championships:

Yea	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2023	Nozomi Tanaka	JPN	4:06.75	Yume Goto	JPN	4:13.25	Gayanthika Artigala	SRI	4:14.39
2019	Unnikrishnan Chitra	IND	4:14.56	Tigirst Gashaw	BRN	4:14.81	Winfred Yavi	BRN	4:16.18
2017	Chitra P U	IND	4:17.92	Geng Min	CHN	4:19.15	Ayako Jinnouchi	JPN	4:19.90

2015	Bethlem Desalegn	UAE	4:29.39	Zhang Jing	CHN	4:29.40	Maya Jinno	JPN	4:32.90
2013	Bethlem Belayneh Desalegn	UAE	4:13.67	Gebregeorges Mimi Belete	BRN	4:14.04	Ayako Jinnouchi	JPN	4:16.73
2011	Genzeb Shumi Regasa	BRN	4:15.91	Truong Thanh Hang	VIE	4:18.40	O Orcharteri Puthiya	IND	4:21.41
2009	Zhou Haiyan	CHN	4:32.74	Liu Fang	CHN	4:33.35	Truong Thanh Hang	VIE	4:33.46
2007	Sinimol Paulose	IND	4:25.67	Sara Bekheet Youssef	BRN	4:26.21	Truong Thanh Hang	VIE	4:26.77
2005	Miho Sugimori	JPN	4:12.69	Svetlana Lukasheva	KAZ	4:13.83	Yuriko Kobayashi	JPN	4:14.15
2003	Tatyana Borisova	KGZ	4:15.97	Madhuri A Singh	IND	4:17.87	Svetlana Lukasheva	KAZ	4:23.12
2002	Tatyana Borisova	KGZ	4:16.27	Svetlana Lukasheva	KAZ	4:18.63	Mizuho Nasukawa	JPN	4:19.27

Last six All Africa Games:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2024	Hirut Meshesha	ETH	4:05.71	Hawi Abera	ETH	4:06.09	Mary Ekiru	KEN	4:06.22
2019	Quailyne Kiprop	KEN	4:19.33	Mary Kuria	KEN	4:20.19	Lemlem Hailu	ETH	4:20.60
2015	Dawit Seyaum	ETH	4:16.69	Besu Sado	ETH	4:18.86	Beatrice	KEN	4:19.16
2011	Irene Jelagat	KEN	4:13.67	Joyce Chepkirui	KEN	4:13.71	Tizita Bogale	ETH	4:14.41
2007	Gelete Burka	ETH	4:06.89	Veronica Nyaruai	KEN	4:09.11	Agnes Samaria	NAM	4:09.18
2003	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	4:21.63	Jackline Maranga	KEN	4:22.69	Naomi Mugo	KEN	4:24.33

Last eleven African Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2024	Saron Berhe	ETH	4:06.05	Caroline Nyaga	KEN	4:06.76	Esther Chebet	UGA	4:06.90
2022	Winnie Chebet	KEN	4:16.10	Purity Chepkirui	KEN	4:16.28	Ayal Dagnachew	ETH	4:16.45
2018	Winnie Chebet	KEN	4:14.02	Rabab Arrafi	MAR	4:14.12	Malika Akkaoui	MAR	4:14.17
2016	Caster Semenya	RSA	4:01.99	Arrafi	MAR	4:03.95	F Adanech	ETH	4:05.22
2014	Hellen Obiri	KEN	4:09.53	Dawit Seyaum	ETH	4:10.92	Rabab Arrafi	MAR	4:12.08
2012	Rabab Araf	MA	4:05.80	Mary Kuria	KEN	4:06.22	Margaret Muriuki	KEN	4:06.50
2010	Nancy Langat	KEN	4:10.43	GeleteBurka	ETH	4:11.12	Btissam Lakhoud	MAR	4:11.81
2008	Gelete Burka	ETH	4:08.25	Meskerem Assefa	ETH	4:10.40	Agnes Samaria	NAM	4:13.91
2006	Nouriah Merah-Benida	ALG	4:23.26	Safa Issaoui	TUN	4:24.08	Birhane Hirpassa	ETH	4:24.09
2004	Nancy Langat	KEN	4:24.56	Saida El Mehdi	MAR	4:24.87	Jeruto Kiptum	KEN	4:25.85
2002	Jackline Maranga	KEN	4:18.91	Abir Nakhi	TUN	4:19.02	Hasna Benhassi	MAR	4:20.15

Last six Pan American Games:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2023	Joselyn Daniely	VEN	4:11.80	Daily M Cooper	CUB	4:11.86	Emily MacKay	USA	4:12.02
2019	Dominique Hiltz	USA	4:07.14	Aisha Praught	JAM	4:08.26	Alexa Efraimson	USA	4:08.63
2015	Muriel Coneo	COL	4:09.05	Nicole Sifuentes	CAN	4:09.13	Sasha Gollish	CAN	4:10.11
2011	Adriana Muñoz	CUB	4:26.09	Rosibel Garcia	COL	4:26.78	Malindi Elmore	CAN	4:27.57
2007	Juliana dos Santos	BRA	4:13.36	Mary Harrelson	USA	4:15.24	Rosibel Garcia	COL	4:15.78
2003	Adriana Muñoz	CUB	4:09.57	Mary Harrelson	USA	4:09.72	Mardrea Hyman	JAM	4:10.08

Last six Commonwealth Games:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2022	Laura Muir	SC	4:02.75	Ciara McGeean	NIR	4:04.14	Abbey Caldwell	AUS	4:04.79
2018	Caster Semenya	RSA	4:00.71	Beatrice Chepkoech	KEN	4:03.09	Melissa Courtney	WAL	4:03.44
2014	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	4:08.94	Laura Weightman	ENG	4:09.24	Kate Van Buskirk	CAN	4:09.41
2010	Nancy Langat	KEN	4:05.26	Nikki Hamblin	NZL	4:05.97	Stephanie Twell	SCO	4:06.15
2006	Lisa Dobriskey	EN	4:06.21	Sarah Jamieson	AUS	4:06.64	Hayley Tullett	WAL	4:06.76
2002	Kelly Holmes	EN	4:05.99	Hayley Tullett	WAL	4:07.52	Helen Pattinson	ENG	4:07.62

Fastest Performances on Asian Soil

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
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1	1	3:50.30	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Xiamen	20 Apr 2024
2	2	3:50.46	Qu Yunxia	CHN	1	Beijing	11 Sept 1993
3	3	3:50.98	Jiang Bo	CHN	1	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997

Fastest Performances in Tokyo:

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	DMY
1	1	3:53.11	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	1	6 Aug 2021
2	2	3:54.50	Laura Muir	GBR	2	6 Aug 2021
3	3	3:55.86	Sifan Hassan	NED	3	6 Aug 2021

Fastest Performances in September

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	3:50.46	Qu Yunxia	CHN	1	Beijing	11 Sept 1993
2	2	3:50.72	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	1	Eugene	16 Sept 2023
3	3	3:51.92	Wang Junxia	CHN	2	Beijing	11 Sept 1993

All-time World List

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	3:48.68	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	1	Eugene	5 July 2025
2		3:49.04	Faith Kipyegon		1	Paris	7 July 2024
3		3:49.11	Faith Kipyegon		1	Firenze	2 June 2023
4	2	3:50.07	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	1	Monaco	17 July 2015
5	3	3:50.30	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Xiamen	20 Apr 2024
6		3:50.37	Faith Kipyegon		1	Monaco	10 Aug 2022
7	4	3:50.46	Qu Yunxia	CHN	1	Beijing	11 Sept 1993
8		3:50.72	Faith Kipyegon		1	Eugene	16 Sept 2023
9	5	3:50.83	Jessica Hull	AUS	2	Paris 7 July 2024	
10	6	3:50.98	Jiang Bo	CHN	1	Shanghai	18 Oct 1997
11		3:51.07	Faith Kipyegon		1	Monaco	9 July 2021

Combined 2024 & 2025 World List

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	3:48.68	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	1	Eugene	5 July 2025
2		3:49.04	Faith Kipyegon		1	Paris	7 July 2024
3	2	3:50.30	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Xiamen	20 Apr 2024
4		3:50.62	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Chorzow	16 Aug 2025
5	3	3:50.83	Jessica Hull	AUS	2	Paris	7 July 2024
6		3:51.29	Faith Kipyegon		1	Paris - OG	10 Aug 2024
7	4	3:51.44	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2	Eugene	5 July 2025
8		3:52.56	Jessica Hull		2	Paris - OG	10 Aug 2024
9	5	3:52.61	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	3	Paris - OG	10 Aug 2024
10		3:52.67	Jessica Hull		3	Eugene	5 July 2025
11		3:52.75	Diribe Welteji		4	Paris - OG	10 Aug 2024
12		3:52.89	Faith Kipyegon		1	Roma	30 Aug 2024
13	6	3:53.22	Birke Haylom	ETH	2	Xiamen	20 Apr 2024
14	7	3:53.37	Laura Muir	GBR	5	Paris - OG	10 Aug 2024

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