

2026 World Indoor Championships Statistics – Women's 1500m - by K Ken Nakamura

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All time performance list at the World Indoor Championships

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	Year
1	1	3:54.88	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Nanjing	2025
2		3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Beograd	2022
3	2	3:59.30	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2	Nanjing	2025
4	3	3:59.75	Gelete Burka	ETH	1	Valencia	2008
5	4	3:59.79	Maryam Jamal	BRN	2	Valencia	2008
6	5	3:59.84	Georgia Huntr Bell	GBR	3	Nanjing	2025

Slowest winning time: 4:12.61 by Regina Jacobs in 1995 is the slowest winning time, while second slowest winning time is 4:11.41 by Elly van Hulst (NED) in 1985 World Indoor Games

Margin of Victory

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Min	0.01**	4:11.41	Elly van Hulst	NED	Paris	1985**
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Fastest time in each round

Final	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Nanjing	2025
	3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Beograd	2022
First round	4:04.34	Nikki Hiltz	USA	1h2	Glasgow	2024

Fastest non-qualifier for the final

Time	Position	Name	Nat	Venue	Year
4:09.42	3h2	Kate Van Buskirk	CAN	Birmingham	2018

Best Marks for Places in the World Indoor Championships

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1	3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Beograd	2022
2	3:59.79	Maryam Jamal	BRN	Valencia	2008
3	4:02.69	Emily MacKay	USA	Glasgow	2024
4	4:03.47	Georgia Bell	GBR	Glasgow	2024

Multiple Gold Medalists:

Gudaf Tsegay (ETH)	2022, 2025
Genzebe Dibaba	2012, 2018
Regina Jacobs (USA):	1995, 2003
Yekaterina Podkopayeva (RUS):	1993, 1997
Doina Melinte (ROU):	1987, 1989

Fastest Performances in March (only indoor performances are listed)

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1	1	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsugay	ETH	1	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
2		3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Beograd	19 Mar 2022
3		3:57.38	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Madrid	2 Mar 2022
4	2	3:59.30	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
5	3	3:59.60e	Heather MacLean	USA	1	Boston	2 Mar 2025

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	Georgia Hunter	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

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6	5	3:59.84	Georgia Huntr Bell	GBR	3	Nanjing	2025
7	6	4:00.61	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	1	Sopot	2014
8	7	4:00.80	Georgia Griffith	AUS	4	Nanjing	2025
9	8	4:01.46	Freweyni Hailu	ETH	1	Glasgow	2024
10	9	4:01.67	Regina Jacobs	USA	1	Birmingham	2003
11	10	4:02.29	Axumawit Embaye	ETH	2	Beograd	2022
12	11	4:02.32	Nikki Hiltz	USA	2	Glasgow	2024
13	12	4:02.66	Kelly Holmes	GBR	2	Birmingham	2003
14	13	4:02.69	Emily MacKay	USA	3	Glasgow	2024
15	14	4:02.80	Yekaterina Rozenberg	RUS	3	Birmingham	2003
16	15	4:03.23	Gabriela Szabo	ROU	1	Maebashi	1999
17	16	4:03.39	Hirut Meshesha	ETH	3	Beograd	2022
18		4:03.47	Georgia Bell		4	Glasgow	2024
19	17	4:03.53	Violeta Szekely	ROU	2	Maebashi	1999
20		4:03.82	Diribe Welteji		5	Glasgow	2024
20	18	4:03.89	Susan Lokayo Ejore	KEN	5	Nanjing	2025
22	19	4:04.07	Sinclair Johnson	USA	6	Nanjing	2025
23	20	4:04.19	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	3	Valencia	2008
24		4:04.34	Nikki Hiltz		1h2	Glasgow	2024
25		4:04.39	Geogia Bell		2h2	Glasgow	2024
26	21	4:04.60	Winnie Nanyondo	UGA	4	Beograd	2022
27	22	4:04.60	Revee Walcott-Nolan	GBR	6	Glasgow	2024
28	23	4:04.70	Yuliya Chizhenko	RUS	1	Moskva	2006
29	24	4:04.71	Josette Norris	USA	5	Beograd	2022
30		4:04.79	Doina Melinte	ROU	1	Budapest	1989
31	25	4:04.83	Axumawit Embaye		1h1	Beograd	2022
32	26	4:04.94	Agathe Guillemot	FRA	7	Glasgow	2024
33	27	4:04.96	Sifan Hassan	NED	1	Portland	2016
34	28	4:05.09	Lyudmila Rogachova	URS	1	Sevilla	1991
35	29	4:05.19	Yekaterina Podkopayeva	RUS	1	Paris	1997
36	30	4:05.21	Yelena Soboleva	RUS	2	Moskva	2006
37	31	4:05.27	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	1	Birmingham	2018
37	32	4:05.30	Dawit Seyaum	ETH	2	Portland	2016
39	33	4:05.45	Heather MacClean	USA	7	Nanjing	2025
40		4:05.46	Sifan Hassan	NED	1sf3	Birmingham	2018
41		4:05.53	Maryam Jamal		3	Moskva	2006
42	34	4:05.67	Hind Dehiba	FRA	4	Moskva	2006
43		4:05.68	Doina Melinte		1	Indianapolis	1987
44	35	4:05.71	Svetlana Kitova	URS	2	Budapest	1989
45		4:05.71	Gudaf Tsegay		3	Portland	2016
46		4:05.75	Hirut Meshesha		1h2		2022
47		4:05.78	Genzebe Dibaba		1	Istanbul	2012
47	36	4:05.81	Winy Chebet	KEN	2sf3	Birmingham	2018
47	37	4:05.86	Lidia Chojecka	POL	3	Maebashi	1999
50	38	4:06.09	Yvonne Mai	GDR	3	Budapest	1989
51		4:06.11	Winnie Nanyondo		2h1	Beograd	2022
52	39	4:06.12	Rababe Araf	MAR	3sf3	Birmingham	2018
53	40	4:06.16	Patricia Djate-Taillard	FRA	2	Paris	1997
54	41	4:06.18	Olga Komyagina	RUS	4	Maebashi	1999
54	41	4:06.18	Natalya Gorelova	RUS	4	Birmingham	2003

56	41	4:06.18	Salome Afonso	POR	8	Glasgow	2024
56	44	4:06.20	Svetlana Kanatova	RUS	5	Maebashi	1999
56	45	4:06.21	Shelby Houlihan	USA	4sf3	Birmingham	2018
59	46	4:06.22	Ivana Kubesova	TCH	2	Sevilla	1991
60	47	4:06.23	Laura Muir	GBR	2	Birmingham	2018

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Max	6.51	4:00.61	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	Sopot	2014
	5.10	3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Beograd	2022
	4.44	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Nanjing	2025
	2.00	4:05.78	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	Istanbul	2012
	1.78	4:06.40	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	Budapest	2004
	1.40	4:05.68	Doina Melinte	ROU	Indianapolis	1987
Min	0.01**	4:11.41	Elly van Hulst	NED	Paris	1985**
	0.04	3:59.75	Gelete Burka	ETH	Valencia	2008

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Difference between first and third

	Diff	Winning time	3 rd place time	Winner's Name	Nat	Venue	Year
Max	7.00	4:00.61	4:07.61	Abeba Aregawi	SWE	Sopot	2014
	6.20	3:57.19	4:03.39	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Beograd	2022
	4.98	3:54.86	3:59.84	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Nanjing	2025
	4.44	3:59.75	4:04.19	Gelete Burka	ETH	Valencia	2008
	4.02	4:12.61	4:16.63	Regina Jacobs	USA	Barcelona	1995
	Min	0.25	4:08.14	4:08.39	Kalkidan Gezahegne	ETH	Doha
0.42**		4:11.41	4:11.83	Elly van Hulst	NED	Paris	1985**

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Difference between third and fourth (medal versus no medal)

	Difference	3 rd place time	Name	Nat	Venue	Year
Max	4.67	4:07.26	Sifan Hassan	NED	Birmingham	2018
	3.66	4:05.71	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Portland	2016
	3.42	4:04.19	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	Valencia	2008
	3.38	4:02.80	Yekaterina Rozenberg	RUS	Birmingham	2003
Min	0.01	4:07.61	Nicole Sifuentes	CAN	Sopot	2014
	0.02	4:11.74	Natalya Gorelova	RUS	Lisboa	2001
	0.08	4:06.25	Lidia Chojecka	POL	Paris	1997

Fastest time in each round

Round	Time	Name	Nat	Heat/Semi	Venue	Year
Final	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Nanjing	2025
	3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Beograd	2022
	3:59.30	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2	Nanjing	2025
	3:59.75	Gelete Burka	ETH	1	Valencia	2008
First round	4:04.34	Nikki Hiltz	USA	1h2	Glasgow	2024
	4:04.83	Axumawit Embaye	ETH	1h1	Beograd	2022
	4:05.46	Sifan Hassan	NED	1h3	Birmingham	2018
	4:05.75	Hirut Meshesha	ETH	1h2	Beograd	2022
	4:05.81	Winnie Chebet	KEN	2h3	Birmingham	2018
	4:06.11	Winnie Nanyondo	UGA	2h1	Beograd	2022
	4:06.12	Rababe Araf	MAR	3h3	Birmingham	2018
	4:06.21	Shelby Houlihan	USA	4h3	Birmingham	2018
	4:06.25	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	1h1	Birmingham	2018

Fastest non-qualifier for the final

Time	Position	Name	Nat	Venue	Year
4:09.42	3h2	Kate Van Buskirk	CAN	Birmingham	2018
4:09.80	4h2	Dominique Scott	RSA	Birmingham	2018
4:09.83	4h2	Linden Hall	AUS	Glasgow	2024
4:09.90	4h1	Marta Perez	ESP	Birmingham	2018
4:09.94	5h1	Gabriela Debues-Stafford	CAN	Birmingham	2018
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4:10.39	4h1	Susan Scott	GBR	Valencia	2008
4:10.51	3h1	Lidia Chojecka	POL	Birmingham	2003

Average of last thirteen (21st century) World Indoor Championships

	Average	2025	2024	2022	2018	2016	2014	2012	2010	2008	2006	2004	2003	2001
Winning Time	4:03.20	3:54.86	4:01.46	3:57.19	4:05.27	4:04.96	4:00.61	4:05.78	4:08.14	3:59.75	4:04.70	4:06.40	4:01.67	4:10.83
Winning Medal	4:05.85	3:59.84	4:02.69	4:03.39	4:07.26	4:05.71	4:07.61	4:08.74	4:08.39	4:04.19	4:05.53	4:08.26	4:02.80	4:11.74
Slowest to make final	4:12.05	4:13.39	4:14.23	4:10.95	4:09.31	4:10.77	4:13.78	4:11.64	4:15.63	4:10.09	4:12.09	4:11.37	4:10.28	4:13.15

800m – 1500m double medalists: None

1500m – 3000m double medalists:

Name	Nation	Venue	Year
Gabriela Szabo	ROU	Maebashi	1999

Best Marks for Places in the World Championships

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	4:02.80	Yekaterina Rozenberg	RUS	Birmingham	2003
4	4:00.80	Georgia Griffith	AUS	Nanjing	2025
	4:03.47	Georgia Bell	GBR	Glasgow	2024
	4:04.60	Winnie Nanyondo	UGA	Beograd	2022
	4:05.67	Hind Dehiba	FRA	Moskva	2006
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	4:03.82	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Glasgow	2024
	4:04.71	Josette Norris	USA	Beograd	2022
	4:06.20	Svetlana Kanatova	RUS	Maebashi	1999
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	4:04.60	Reeve Walcott-Nolan	GBR	Glasgow	2024
	4:06.34	Linden Hall	AUS	Beograd	2022
	4:06.37	Andrea Suldesova	CZE	Maebashi	1999
7	4:04.94	Agathe Guillemot	FRA	Glasgow	2024
	4:05.45	Heather MacClean	USA	Nanjing	2025
	4:06.38	Heather MacClean	USA	Beograd	2022
	4:08.20	Alesya Turova	BLR	Birmingham	2003
8	4:06.18	Salome Afonso	POR	Glasgow	2024
	4:06:41	Lucia Stafford	CAN	Beograd	2022
	4:07.67	Salome Afonso	POR	Nanjing	2025
	4:09.03	Hasna Benhassi	MAR	Birmingham	2003

Best Marks for Places – all competitions

Pos	Time	Name	Nat	Venue	Day Month Year
1	3:53.09	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Lievin	9 Feb 2021
	3:53.92	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Torun	16 Feb 2025

	3:54.77	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Torun	22 Feb 2022
	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
	3:55.17	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	Karlsruhe	1 Feb 2014
2	3:55.47	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Torun	6 Feb 2024
	3:57.48	Diribe Welteji	ETH	Lievin	10 Feb 2024
	3:58.43	Birke Haylom	ETH	Brighton	4 Feb 2024
3	3:56.47	Hirut Meshesha	ETH	Torun	6 Feb 2024
	3:59.84	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
	4:00.00	Birke Haylom	ETH	Lievin	10 Feb 2024
4	3:58.79	Tigist Girma	ETH	Torun	6 Feb 2024
5	4:01.17	Beatrice Chepkoech	KEN	Torun	6 Feb 2024

Multiple Gold Medalists:

Gudaf Tsegay (ETH)	2022, 2025
Genzebe Dibaba	2012, 2018
Regina Jacobs (USA):	1995, 2003
Yekaterina Podkopayeva (RUS):	1993, 1997
Doina Melinte (ROU):	1987, 1989

Multiple Medalists:

Gudaf Tsegay (ETH):	2016 Bronze, 2022 Gold, 2025 Gold
Genzebe Dibaba (ETH):	2012 Gold, 2018 Gold
Sifan Hassan (NED):	2016 Gold, 2018 Bronze
Gelete Burka (ETH):	2008 Gold, 2010 Bronze
Maryam Jamal (BRN):	2006 Bronze, 2008 Silver
Violeta Szekely (Beclear) (ROU):	1993 Silver, 1999 Silver, 2001 Silver
Lidia Chojecka (POL):	1997 Bronze, 1999 Bronze
Regina Jacobs (USA):	1995 Gold, 2003 Gold
Yekaterina Podkopayeva (RUS):	1993 Gold, 1997 Gold
Svetlana Kitova (URS):	1987 Bronze; 1989 Silver
Doina Melinte (ROU):	1987 Gold, 1989 Gold

Multiple Medals by athletes from a single nation:

Nation	Year	Gold	Silver	Bronze
ETH	2025	Gudaf Tsegay	Diribe Welteji (?)	
USA	2024		Nikki Hiltz	Emily MacKay
ETH	2022	Gudaf Tsegay	Axumawit Embaye	Hirut Meshesha
ETH	2016		Dawit Seyaum	Gudaf Tsegay
ETH	2010	Kalkidan Gezahegne		Gelete Burka
RUS	2006	Yuliya Chizhenko	Yelena Soboleva	
ROU	1999	Gabriela Szabo	Violeta Szekely	
URS	1987		Tatyana Samolenko	Svetlana Kitova

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

Nation	Men	Women	Venue	Year
ETH	Samuel Tefera	Gudaf Tsegay	Beograd	2022
ETH	Samuel Tefera	Genzebe Dibaba	Birmingham	2018
ETH	Deresse Mekonnen	Gelete Burka	Valencia	2008

Medals by Countries:

Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze
ETH	8	4	3
ROU	3	3+1**	1
RUS	3	1	3
USA	2	1	1
URS	1	2	1
MAR	1	1	
NED	1+1**		1

SWE	1		
BRN		1	1
ESP		1	1
POR		1	
TCH		1	
FRA		1	
GBR		2	1
CAN		1	1+1**
POL			2
SUI			1
GDR			1
BUL			1
TUR			1

** Medal in 1985 World Indoor Games

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

Year	400	400-800m	800-1200m	1200-1500m	Last 200m	Winning time
1987	65.42	69.36	67.14	43.76		4:05.68
1989	63.35	67.71	68.68	45.05	29.03	4:04.79
1991	65.51	66.68	67.02	45.88		4:05.09
1993						4:09.29
1995	71.4	68.8				4:12.61
1997	64.08	65.73	67.23	48.15		4:05.19
1999	63.76	66.81	67.62	45.04		4:03.23
2001	70.90	71.21	62.94	45.78		4:10.83
2003	62.71	66.09	66.42	46.45		4:01.67
2004	65.46	67.44	67.62	45.88		4:06.40
2006	66.34	67.21	64.37	46.78	31	4:04.70
2008	63.26	64.63	63.64	48.22		3:59.75
2010	66.57	68.73	66.00	46.84		4:08.14
2012	71.12	65.47	62.75	46.44		4:05.78
2014	67.05	62.39	63.93	47.24		4:00.61
2016	65.87	66.84	66.55	45.70		4:04.96
2018	76.48	64.33	59.77	44.69		4:05.27
2022	61.83	64.34	64.11	46.91		3:57.19
2024	62.89	68.77	65.60	44.20	29.10	4:01.46
2025	60.50	62.94	64.55	46.87	30.74	3:54.86

World Indoor Champion with World Championships Gold medal

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	World Championships
Gabriela Szabo	ROU	1999	2001
Abeba Aregawi	SWE	2014	2013
Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	2012, 2018	2015
Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	2022, 2025	2022 (5000m), 2023 (10000m)

World Indoor Championships medalist with Olympic medal

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	Year	Olympics	Year
Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	Gold	2022, 2025	Bronze (5000m)	2020
Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	Gold	2012, 2018	Silver	2016
Kelly Holmes	GBR	Silver	2003	Gold	2004
Violeta Szekely	ROU	Silver	1993, 1999, 2001	Silver	2000
Gabriela Szabo	ROU	Gold	1999	Silver	1996
Lyudmila Rogachova	URS	Gold	1991	Silver	1992
Tatyana Samolenko	URS	Silver	1987	Bronze	1988

Doina Melinte	ROU	Gold	1987, 1989	Silver	1984
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Note: Szabo won gold at 1500m in 1999 World Indoor Championships and 5000m in 2000 World Championships

World Indoor Champion who previously won World Junior Championships

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	World Junior Championships
Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	2012, 2018	2010 (5000m)
Kutre Dulecha	ETH	2004	1996

Genzebe Dibaba won 5000m in 2010 World Junior before winning 1500m at 2012 World Indoor.

World Indoor Championships medalist who previously won World Youth medal: None

World Indoor Champion with European Championships gold medal

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	European Championships
Lyudmila Rogachova	URS	1991	1994
Sifan Hassan	NED	2016	2014

World Indoor Championships medalists with Asian Games medal:

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	Year	Asian Games	Year
Maryam Jamal	BRN	Silver	2008	Gold	2006, 2010

World Indoor Championships medalists with Asian Championships medal: None

World Indoor Champion with All Africa Games/African Championships gold medal:

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	All-Africa Games	African Championships
Gelete Burka	ETH	2008	2007	2008
Kutre Dulecha	ETH	2004	1995,1999,2003	

World Indoor Championships medalist with Pan American Games' medal:

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	Year	Pan American Games	Year
Brits McRoberts	CAN	Bronze (World Indoor Games)	1985	Bronze	1987

World Indoor Championships medalists with Commonwealth Games medal

Name	Nat	World Indoor Championships	Year	Commonwealth Games	Year
Kelly Holmes	GBR	Silver	2003	Gold	2002

Last ten World Indoor Championships:

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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	MAR	4:07.78	Asli Cakir	TUR	4:08.74
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 Rozenberg	RUS	4:02.80
2001	Hasna Benhassi	MAR	4:10.83	Violeta Szekely	ROU	4:11.17	Natalya Gorelova	RUS	4:11.74

Last ten World Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2025	Faith Kipyegon	KEN	3:52.15	Dorcus Ewoi	KEN	3:54.92	Jessica Hull	AUS	3:55.16
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
2007	Maryam Jamal	BRN	3:58.75	Irya Lishchynska	RUS	4:00.69	Daniela Yordanova	BUL	4:00.82
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

Last eight 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
2020	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 Lagat	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
1996	Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	4:00.83	Gabriela Szabo	ROU	4:01.54	Theresia Kiesl	AUT	4:03.02
1992	Hassiba Boulmerka	ALG	3:55.30	Lyudmila Rogachova	EUN	3:56.91	Qu Yunxia	CHN	3:57.08

Last twelve World Junior Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time	
2024	Saron Berhe	ETH	4:16.64	Rachel Forsyth	CAN	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 Sclabas	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	KEN	4:11.21	
2012	2024	Saro	ETH	4:16.64	Rach	CAN	4:17.94	Jolan	GER	4:19.34
2010	Tizita Bogale	ETH	4:08.06	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4:09.51	Nancy Chepkwemoi	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	RUS	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 Nigusie	ETH	4:19.93	Rose Kosgei	KEN	4:20.16	George Clarke	AUS	4:20.21	
1998	Lan Lixin	CHN	4:10.45	Yimenashu Taye	ETH	4:11.97	Bouchra Benthami	MAR	4:12.76	

Last ten 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	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	Sammary 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 eight European Championships:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2024	Ciara Mageean	IRL	4:04.66	Georgia Bell	GBR	4:05.33	Agathe Guillemot	FRA	4:05.69
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
1998	Svetlana Masterkova	RUS	4:11.91	Carla Sacramento	POR	4:12.62	Anita Weyermann	SUI	4:13.07

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
1998	Jyotirmoy Sikdar	IND	4:12:82	Wang Qingfen	CHN	4:13.19	Sunita Rani	IND	4:13.66

Last eleven Asian Championships:

Year	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 Orchatteri 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
2000	Wu Qingdong	CHN	4:17.82	Zhang Ling	CHN	4:18.31	Tokgo Sun-Ok	PRK	4:20.04

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 Chepkoech	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
1999	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	4:18.33	Nouria Merah-Benida	ALG	4:18.69	Jackline Maranga	KEN	4:19.31

Last ten 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	Winny Chebet	KEN	4:16.10	Purity Chepkirui	KEN	4:16.28	Ayal Dagnachew	ETH	4:16.45
2018	Winny Chebet	KEN	4:14.02	Rabab Arrafi	MAR	4:14.12	Maiika 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 Lakhouad	MAR	4:11.81
2008	Gelete Burka	ETH	4:08.25	Meskerem Asssefa	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
2000	Nouria Merah-Benida	ALG	4:16.14	Gladys Wamuyu	KEN	4:16.56	Berhane Herpassa	ETH	4:16.87

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 J Harrelson	USA	4:09.72	Mardrea Hyman	JAM	4:10.08
1999	Marla Runyan	USA	4:16.86	Leah Pells	CAN	4:16.86	Stephanie Best	USA	4:18.44

Last six Commonwealth Games:

Year	Gold	Nat	Time	Silver	Nat	Time	Bronze	Nat	Time
2022	Laura Muir	SCO	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	ENG	4:06.21	Sarah Jamieson	AUS	4:06.64	Hayley Tullett	WAL	4:06.76
2002	Kelly Holmes	ENG	4:05.99	Hayley Tullett	WAL	4:07.52	Helen Pattinson	ENG	4:07.62
1998	Jackline Maranga	KEN	4:05.27	Kelly Holmes	ENG	4:06.10	Julia Sakara	ZIM	4:07.82

Fastest Performances in March (only indoor performances are listed)

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	3:54.86	Gudaf Tsugay	ETH	1	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
2		3:57.19	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Beograd	19 Mar 2022
3		3:57.38	Gudaf Tsegay		1	Madrid	2 Mar 2022
4	2	3:59.30	Diribe Welteji	ETH	2	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
5	3	3:59.60e	Heather MacLean	USA	1	Boston	2 Mar 2025
6	4	3:59.75	Gelete Burka	ETH	1	Valencia	9 Mar 2008
7	5	3:59.79	Maryam Jamal	BRN	2	Valencia	9 Mar 2008
8	6	3:59.84	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	3	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025

Combined 2025 & 2026 World Indoor List

Performance	Performer	Time	Name	Nat	Pos	Venue	DMY
1	1	3:53.92	Gudaf Tsegay	ETH	1	Torun	16 Feb 2025
2		3:54.86	Gudaf Tsugay		1	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
3	2	3:58.89	Diribe Welteji	ETH	1	Lievin	13 Feb 2025
4		3:59.30	Diribe Welteji		2	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
5	3	3:59.33e	Elle St Pierre	USA	1	Boston	14 Feb 2026
6	4	3:59.60e	Heather MacLean	USA	1	Boston	2 Mar 2025
7		3:59.82	Birke Haylom		2	Torun	16 Feb 2025
8	5	3:59.84	Georgia Hunter Bell	GBR	3	Nanjing	23 Mar 2025
9		4:00.04	Georgia Hunter Bell		1	Karlsruhe	8 Feb 2026
10		4:00.21	Georgia Hunter Bell		1	Lievin	19 Feb 2026
11	6	4:00.62	Birke Haylom	ETH	1	Ostrava	3 Feb 2026
12		4:00.63	Georgia Hunter Bell		1	Birmingham	15 Feb 2025
13	7	4:00.64	Agathe Guillemot	FRA	1	Torun	22 Feb 2026
14	8	4:00.67	Frewyni Hailu	ETH	2	Torun	22 Feb 2026

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