

38th IAAF WORLD CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

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FACTS & FIGURES

Some 10,289 athletes from 167 countries have competed in the IAAF World Cross Country Championships, with athletes from six countries participating in all 37 editions: Belgium, France, Great Britain & NI (ENG, GBR, NIR, SCO, WAL), Ireland, Spain, and the United States.

The largest edition of the championships was in Vilamoura (POR) in 2000, when 806 athletes (excluding seven declared non-starters) from 76 countries took part. That athlete total may never be beaten now that the format of the championships has reverted from six to four races. The biggest single race was the 1986 senior men's race with 337 competitors from 50 countries, 39 of which produced scoring teams. The race with the most different countries represented was the 1997 men's race with 58, 27 of which had scoring teams.

The most medals won by a country is 262 by Kenya, followed by 222 by Ethiopia and 59 by the United States.

The most medals won by an individual athlete is 27 by Kenenisa Bekele (ETH), with 16 golds, nine silvers and two bronzes in 2001-2008. The women's record is 20 by Worknesh Kidane (ETH) in 1997-2005, including 11 golds, five silvers and four bronzes. The most individual medals is 13 by Bekele and eight by Kidane and Tirunesh Dibaba (ETH), who won five golds and three silvers in 2002-2008.

The most golds won by an individual is 16 by Bekele – including 12 individual and four team medals. The most women's golds is 14 by T. Dibaba, five of which were individual and nine with teams.

The most individual gold medals won is 12 by Bekele, junior winner in 2001 and long/short course winner in 2002-2006 and winner in 2008. The most by a woman is five by Grete Waitz (NOR), who won the women's title in 1978-1981 & 1983 and T. Dibaba who was junior champion in 2003, short course winner in 2005 & long course winner in 2005, 2006 & 2008.

The most medals won at a single championships is four: two individual and two team. This has been achieved 13 times by seven athletes, all Ethiopian. Haylu Mekonnen in 1999, Gete Wami in 2001, Kenenisa Bekele in 2001-2006, Worknesh Kidane in 2003/2005, Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam in 2004, Tirunesh Dibaba in 2005 and Meselech Melkamu in 2006. Now that the short course race has been eliminated, the total of four cannot be matched.

The most medals won as a junior is eight, including three golds, by Vivian Cheruiyot (KEN) in 1998-2001. The most by a junior man is seven, by Boniface Kiprop (UGA) in 2000-2004.

The most team gold medals won is 72 by Kenya, with at least one every year since 1986 followed by Ethiopia 39. The most team medals is 113 by Ethiopia compared with 111 by Kenya.

The longest winning streak in the championships are the 18 successive titles won by Kenya's men's team in the long race (1986-2003). The most in women's events is seven by Ethiopia at the long race in 2002-2008.

The oldest champion and medallist is Jack Foster (NZL), team gold medallist in 1975 at 42 years 297 days. The oldest individual champion and medallist is Portugal's Carlos Lopes, who in 1985 won the third of his World Cross Country titles at 38 years 34 days. The oldest women's champion is Edith Masai (KEN), who won the 2004 short course race at 36 years 352 days.

Foster went on to become the oldest ever competitor when he finished 155th in the 1979 race aged 46 years 306 days. The oldest female participant is Sweden's Ewy Palm, 121st in 1987 at 45 years 50 days.

The youngest gold medallists are all Kenyans, with the youngest of all Elizabeth Cheptanui, junior team gold medallist in 1994 at 13 years 197 days. The youngest individual winner is Lydia Cheromei, 1991 champion at 13 years 317 days. The youngest junior male winner is

Ismael Kirui, junior team gold medallist in 1990 at 15 years 32 days. Individually, the youngest is Robert Kipchumba, 2000 World Junior Cross Country Champion at 16 years 24 days.

The youngest competitor is Su Su-Ning of Chinese Taipei who was 12 years 130 days when she placed 119th in the 1991 junior race. The youngest male is Junior Hines (CAY) who was 13 years 58 days when he also placed 119th, this time in the junior race of 2002. Current IAAF regulations prevent anyone younger than 16 in the year of competition from competing in the championships.

Sweeps of all four individual titles were achieved by Kenya in 1994 and Ethiopia 2008, but never in the years where there were three or six races.

Sweeps of all available team titles were achieved by Kenya in 1991, 1993, 1995 and 1996. In all those years, the Kenyans won team gold in the senior and junior races, men and women. In 1993, Kenya also won three of the four individual titles, with Albertina Dias of Portugal the only non-Kenyan winner in the women's senior race. In the six-race format, Ethiopia won five of six titles in 2004, placing second in the other one.

Perfect team scores have been achieved in nine races, the men's short course races of 1998 and 2000, the junior men's races of 1993 2000, 2005 and 2007, and the junior women's race in 1993, 2004 and 2006. On each occasion apart from 2004 (with four to score) Kenyan runners placed first, second, third and fourth to gain a score of 10 points. In 2004 the dominant country was Ethiopia.

The best example of domination in the senior (long) races was in 1988 when (with six to score) Kenyans placed 1-2-3-4-6-7-8-9. For the women, the Kenyan team of 2009 scored a record low of 14 with individual placings of 1-2-4-7. The highest ever score is 1874 by the Maltese men's team which placed 39th in the 1986 men's race.

The most championships contested is 18 by Domingos Castro (POR) who competed in men's races between 1982 and 2003. The women's record is 17 by Conceição Ferreira (POR) in 1982-2000. Co-incidentally, both athletes placed seventh in the 1990 championship at Aix-les-Bains. That remained Castro's best finishing position, but Ferreira went on to win an individual bronze in 1994.

The largest winning margin in the history of the championships came in 1980 in Paris when Grete Waitz finished 44 seconds ahead of the runner-up, Irina Bondarchuk of the USSR. The best by a man was 33 seconds by Kenenisa Bekele in the 2001 junior men's race. John Ngugi (KEN) won the 1989 senior men's race by 28 seconds, while the biggest winning margin in the junior women's race was 27 seconds by Gelete Burka (ETH) in 2005.

The closest finish was in the 1973 men's race when Pekka Päiväranta (FIN) finished just one tenth ahead of Mariano Haro (ESP), 35:46.4 to 35:46.5. The result of that race was recorded in tenths of a second, but in four later races the first three all shared the same time to the nearest second; the 1983 men's, the 2000 women's short course and the junior women's in 2001.

Successful twins have included Grenville & Graham Tuck (ENG), Dionisio & Domingos Castro (POR), Ann Ford & Paula Fudge (née Yeoman, ENG) and Angela & Susan Tooby (GBR). The Tucks won a total of five team medals including two golds. Domingos Castro competed in 18 championships and won three team medals. Ford and Fudge won six team medals and placed 13th & 14th respectively in 1982, with Ann having finished fourth in 1974 & 1976. The Toobys each won team silvers in the 1988 women's race, where individually, Angela placed second and Susan 16th.

Kenya and Ethiopia are far and away the most successful countries in the history of the world championships, winning 111 of the 150 available team titles. The two countries have met 112 times where both have fielded full teams, with Kenya beating Ethiopia 71-41.

SUMMARY OF PAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

Venues - 1973: Waregem BEL (March 17); 1974: Monza ITA (March 16); 1975: Rabat MAR (March 16); 1976: Chepstow WAL (February 28); 1977: Düsseldorf FRG (March 20); 1978: Glasgow SCO (March 25); 1979: Limerick IRL (March 25); 1980: Paris FRA (March 9); 1981: Madrid ESP (March 29); 1982: Rome ITA (March 21); 1983: Gateshead GBR (March 20); 1984: New York USA (March 25); 1985: Lisbon POR (March 24); 1986: Neuchâtel SUI (March 23); 1987: Warsaw POL (March 22); 1988: Auckland NZL (March 26); 1989: Stavanger NOR (March 19); 1990: Aix-les-Bains FRA (March 25); 1991: Antwerp BEL (March 24); 1992: Boston USA (March 21); 1993: Amorebieta ESP (March 23); 1994: Budapest HUN (March 26); 1995: Durham GBR (March 25); 1996: Cape Town RSA (March 23); 1997: Turin ITA (March 23); 1998: Marrakech MAR (March 21/22); 1999: Belfast GBR (March 27/28); 2000: Vilamoura POR (March 18/19); 2001: Ostend BEL (March 24/25); 2002: Dublin IRL (March 23/24); 2003: Lausanne SUI (March 29/30); 2004: Brussels BEL (March 20/21); 2005: St Galmier FRA (March 19/20); 2006: Fukuoka (April 1/2); 2007: Mombasa (March 24); 2008: Edinburgh (March 30); 2009: Amman JOR (March 28)

These totals have been revised to include a number of previously unreported non-finishers. Similarly athletes who may have appeared on results as non-starters have now been excluded from totals. In 1998-2003, it was possible for juniors to start in both junior and senior races, so the sum of the rightmost four columns will give a total greater than the number of actual athletes competing in those years. From 2004, the IAAF ruled that junior athletes may compete in one race only, which was also the case up to 1997 and from 2007 when all races were staged on one day.

Year	Course	Countries	Athletes	Senior Men Competitors	Junior Men Competitors	Senior Women Competitors	Junior Women Competitors
1973	Waregem Racecourse	21	287	157	55	75	-
1974	Monza Racecourse	23	269	125	75	69	-
1975	Souissi Racecourse	26	316	185	60	71	-
1976	Chepstow Racecourse	21	306	156	81	69	-
1977	Graffenberg Racecourse	22	346	168	81	97	-
1978	Bellahouston Park	27	360	168	92	100	-
1979	Green Park Racecourse	27	383	191	92	100	-
1980	Longchamp Racecourse	28	381	180	97	104	-
1981	Hippodromo de la Zarzuela	39	460	238	104	118	-
1982	Hippodromo della Campanelle	33	382	180	93	109	-
1983	Riverside Park	35	432	214	107	111	-
1984	The Meadowlands	40	443	240	94	109	-
1985	Sports Complex Jamor	50	574	300	143	131	-
1986	Planeyse Colombier	57	671	337	173	161	-
1987	Sluzewiec Racecourse	47	576	278	146	152	-
1988	Elleslie Racecourse	41	443	206	96	141	-
1989	Scanwest Ring	41	568	200	134	120	114
1990	Aix-les-Bains Racecourse	59	618	231	127	139	121
1991	Linkerover Racecourse	51	633	237	143	126	127
1992	Franklin Park	53	580	233	114	127	106
1993	Jaureguibarria Course	54	653	236	150	148	119
1994	Kincsem Park	60	760	281	189	148	142
1995	University of Durham	58	619	227	148	135	109
1996	Danie Craven Stadium, Stellenbosch	65	669	281	140	133	115
1997	Parco del Valentino	72	725	280	160	147	138
1998	Menara district of Marrakech	66	707	276	133	176	122
1999	Barnett Demesne/Queen's University Playing Fields	66	759	292	154	196	124
2000	Sporting Complex of Vilamoura	76	806	315	162	205	131
2001	Wellington Hippodrome	67	790	308	152	208	126
2002	Leopardstown Racecourse	59	664	253	122	183	110
2003	Institut National Equestre Avenches	65	605	229	121	155	104
2004	Ossegem Park	72	673	263	120	175	115
2005	Hippodrome de Saint-Galmier	72	695	267	131	180	117
2006	Umi no Nakamichi Seaside Park	59	574	233	98*	165	78
2007	Mombasa Golf Course	63	470	163	126	94	87
2008	Holyrood Park	57	448	179	109	95	65
2009	Al Bisharat Golf Course	59	461	145	121	96	99

* Includes one athlete who was later disqualified when it was proved he was over-age

MEN'S MEDALLISTS

Short Course (introduced in 1998, held until 2006)

Individuals	Gold		Silver		Bronze					
	Year	Event	Athlete	Nationality	Year	Athlete	Nationality			
1998	4000m	John Kibowen	KEN	10:43	Daniel Komen	KEN	10:46	Paul Kosgei	KEN	10:50
1999	4236m	Benjamin Limo	KEN	12:28	Paul Kosgei	KEN	12:31	Haylu Mekonnen	ETH	12:35
2000	4180m	John Kibowen	KEN	11:11	Sammy Kipketer	KEN	11:12	Paul Kosgei	KEN	11:15
2001	4100m	Enoch Koch	KEN	12:40	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	12:42	Benjamin Limo	KEN	12:43
2002	4208m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	12:11	Luke Kipkosgei	KEN	12:18	Haylu Mekonnen	ETH	12:20
2003	4030m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	11:01	John Kibowen	KEN	11:04	Benjamin Limo	KEN	11:06
2004	4000m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	11:31	Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam	ETH	11:36	Maregu Zewdie	ETH	11:42
2005	4196m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	11:33	Abraham Chebii	KEN	11:38	Isaac Songok	KEN	11:39
2006	4000m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	10:54	Isaac Songok	KEN	10:55	Adil Kaouch	MAR	10:57

Teams

Teams	Gold		Silver		Bronze	
	Year	Team	Year	Team	Year	Team
1998	Kenya	.....	10	Morocco	.....	42
1999	Kenya	.....	14	Morocco	.....	45
2000	Kenya	.....	10	Ethiopia	.....	46
2001	Kenya	.....	13	Morocco	.....	48
2002	Kenya	.....	20	Ethiopia	.....	32
2003	Kenya	.....	14	Ethiopia	.....	31
2004	Ethiopia	.....	17	Qatar	.....	39
2005	Ethiopia	.....	23	Kenya	.....	31
2006	Kenya	.....	21	Ethiopia	.....	48

Long Course

Individuals	Gold		Silver		Bronze					
	Year	Event	Athlete	Nationality	Year	Athlete	Nationality			
1973	11,980m	Pekka Päiväranta	FIN	35:46.4	Mariano Haro	ESP	35:46.5	Rod Dixon	NZL	36:00
1974	12,000m	Erik de Beck	BEL	35:23.8	Mariano Haro	ESP	35:24.6	Karel Lismont	BEL	35:26.6
1975	12,000m	Ian Stewart	SCO	35:20.0	Mariano Haro	ESP	35:21.0	Bill Rodgers	USA	35:27.4
1976	12,000m	Carlos Lopes	POR	34:47.8	Tony Simmons	ENG	35:04.0	Bernie Ford	ENG	35:07.0
1977	12,300m	Léon Schots	BEL	37:43.0	Carlos Lopes	POR	37:48.2	Detlef Uhlemann	FRG	37:52.2
1978	12,300m	John Treacy	IRL	39:25	Aleksandr Antipov	URS	39:28	Karl Lismont	BEL	39:32

1979	12,000m	John Treacy	IRL	37:20	Bronislaw Malinowski	POL	37:29	Aleksandr Antipov	URS	37:30
1980	12,580m	Craig Virgin	USA	37:01	Hans-Jürgen Orthmann	FRG	37:02	Nick Rose	ENG	37:05
1981	12,000m	Craig Virgin	USA	35:05	Mohamed Kedir	ETH	35:07	Fernando Mamede	POR	35:09
1982	11,978m	Mohamed Kedir	ETH	33:41	Alberto Salazar	USA	33:45	Rod Dixon	NZL	34:02
1983	11,994m	Bekele Debele	ETH	36:52	Carlos Lopes	POR	36:52	Some Muge	KEN	36:52
1984	12,086m	Carlos Lopes	POR	33:25	Tim Hutchings	ENG	33:30	Steve Jones	WAL	33:32
1985	12,190m	Carlos Lopes	POR	33:33	Paul Kipkoech	KEN	33:37	Wodajo Bulti	ETH	33:38
1986	12,000m	John Ngugi	KEN	35:32.9	Abebe Mekonnen	ETH	35:34.8	Joseph Kiptum	KEN	35:39.8
1987	11,950m	John Ngugi	KEN	36:07	Paul Kipkoech	KEN	36:07	Paul Arpin	FRA	36:51
1988	12,000m	John Ngugi	KEN	34:32	Paul Kipkoech	KEN	34:34	William Koskei	KEN	35:07
1989	12,000m	John Ngugi	KEN	39:42	Tim Hutchings	GBR	40:10	Wilfred Kirochi	KEN	40:21
1990	12,200m	Khalid Skah	MAR	34:21	Moses Tanui	KEN	34:21	Julius Korir	KEN	34:22
1991	11,764m	Khalid Skah	MAR	33:53	Moses Tanui	KEN	33:54	Simon Karori	KEN	33:54
1992	12,530m	John Ngugi	KEN	37:05	William Mutwol	KEN	37:17	Fita Bayissa	ETH	37:18
1993	11,750m	William Siegi	KEN	32:51	Dominic Kirui	KEN	32:56	Ismael Kirui	KEN	32:59
1994	12,060m	William Siegi	KEN	34:29	Simon Chemoiywo	KEN	34:30	Haile Gebrselassie	ETH	34:32
1995	12,020m	Paul Tergat	KEN	34:05	Ismael Kirui	KEN	34:13	Salah Hissou	MAR	34:14
1996	12,150m	Paul Tergat	KEN	33:44	Salah Hissou	MAR	33:56	Ismael Kirui	KEN	33:57
1997	12,333m	Paul Tergat	KEN	35:11	Salah Hissou	MAR	35:13	Thomas Nyariki	KEN	35:20
1998	12,000m	Paul Tergat	KEN	34:01	Paul Koech	KEN	34:06	Assefa Mezegebu	ETH	34:28
1999	12,000m	Paul Tergat	KEN	38:28	Patrick Ivuti	KEN	38:32	Paulo Guerra	POR	38:46
2000	12,300m	Mohammed Mourhit	BEL	35:00	Assefa Mezegebu	ETH	35:01	Paul Tergat	KEN	35:02
2001	12,300m	Mohammed Mourhit	BEL	39:53	Sergey Lebid	UKR	40:03	Charles Kamathi	KEN	40:05
2002	11,998m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	34:52	John Yuda	TAN	34:58	Wilberforce Taleli	KEN	35:20
2003	12,355m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	35:56	Patrick Ivuti	KEN	36:09	Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam	ETH	36:17
2004	12,000m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	35:52	Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam	ETH	36:10	Sileshi Sihine	ETH	36:11
2005	12,020m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	35:06	Zersenay Tadesse	ERI	35:20	Abdullah Ahmad Hassan	QAT	35:34
2006	12,000m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	35:40	Sileshi Sihine	ETH	35:43	Martin Mathathi	KEN	35:44
2007	12,000m	Zersenay Tadesse	ERI	35:50	Moses Mosop	KEN	36:13	Bernard Kipyego	KEN	36:37
2008	12,000m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	34:38	Leonard Komon	KEN	34:41	Zersenay Tadesse	ERI	34:43
2009	12,000m	Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam	ETH	35:02	Moses Kipsiro	UGA	35:04	Zersenay Tadesse	ERI	35:04

Teams	Gold	Silver	Bronze
1973	Belgium	109	USSR.....
1974	Belgium	103	England.....
1975	New Zealand	127	England.....
1976	England	90	Belgium.....
1977	Belgium	126	England.....
1978	France	151	United States.....
1979	England	119	Ireland.....
1980	England	100	United States.....
1981	Ethiopia	81	United States.....
1982	Ethiopia	98	England.....
1983	Ethiopia	104	United States.....
1984	Ethiopia	134	United States.....
1985	Ethiopia	129	Kenya.....
1986	Kenya	45	Ethiopia.....
1987	Kenya	53	England.....
1988	Kenya	23	Ethiopia.....
1989	Kenya	44	Great Britain & NI
1990	Kenya	42	Ethiopia
1991	Kenya	38	Ethiopia
1992	Kenya	46	France
1993	Kenya	25	Ethiopia
1994	Kenya	34	Morocco
1995	Kenya	62	Morocco
1996	Kenya	33	Morocco
1997	Kenya	51	Morocco
1998	Kenya	12	Ethiopia
1999	Kenya	12	Ethiopia
2000	Kenya	18	Ethiopia
2001	Kenya	33	France
2002	Kenya	18	Ethiopia
2003	Kenya	17	Ethiopia
2004	Ethiopia	14	Kenya
2005	Ethiopia	24	Kenya
2006	Kenya	24	Eritrea
2007	Kenya	29	Morocco
2008	Kenya	39	Ethiopia
2009	Kenya	28	Ethiopia

JUNIOR MEN	Gold	Silver	Bronze							
Individuals	Gold	Silver	Bronze							
1973	7020m	Jim Brown	SCO	20:52.8	José Haro	ESP	21:00.6	Léon Schots	BEL	21:07.2
1974	7100m	Rich Kimball	USA	21:30.8	Venanzio Ortis	ITA	21:33.0	John Treacy	IRL	21:42.4
1975	7000m	Bobby Thomas	USA	20:59.8	José Luis González	ESP	21:18.0	John Treacy	IRL	21:23.0
1976	7800m	Eric Hulst	USA	23:53.8	Thom Hunt	USA	24:06.8	Nat Muir	SCO	24:17.0
1977	7500m	Thom Hunt	USA	23:15.0	Santiago Llorente	ESP	23:28.0	Ari Paunonen	FIN	23:39.0
1978	7036m	Mick Morton	ENG	22:57	Rob Earl	CAN	23:10	Francisco Javier Alario	ESP	23:11
1979	7360m	Eddy De Pauw	BEL	23:02	Steve Binns	ENG	23:09	Ildar Denikayev	URS	23:20
1980	7410m	Jorge García	ESP	22:17	Valeriy Gryaznov	URS	22:23	Ed Eyestone	USA	22:27
1981	7250m	Mohammed Chouri	TUN	22:04	Yevgeniy Zerebin	URS	22:06	Keith Brantly	USA	22:07
1982	7926m	Zurabachev Gelaw	ETH	22:46	Adugna Lema	ETH	22:47	Stefano Mei	ITA	22:49
1983	8033m	Feyissa Abebe	ETH	24:58	Argaso Telega	ETH	24:59	Jon Richards	ENG	25:07
1984	8000m	Pere Casacuberta	ESP	21:32	Doju Tessema	ETH	21:34	John Castellano	CAN	21:37
1985	8190m	Kipkemboi Kimeli	KEN	22:18	Habte Negash	ETH	22:37	Woldeislase Milkessa	ETH	22:37
1986	7750m	Melese Feissa	ETH	22:47.6	Sammy Kibiwot	KEN	22:52.7	Demeke Bekele	ETH	22:56.0
1987	7050m	Wilfred Kirochi	KEN	22:18	Demeke Bekele	ETH	22:18	Debebe Demisse	ETH	22:20
1988	8031m	Wilfred Kirochi	KEN	23:25	Alfonce Muindi	KEN	23:39	Bedilu Kibret	ETH	23:41

1989	8000m	Addis Abebe	ETH	25:07	Kipyego Kororia	KEN	25:31	Stephen Nyamu	KEN	25:33
1990	8000m	Kipyego Kororia	KEN	22:13	Richard Chelimo	KEN	22:14	Fita Bayissa	ETH	22:24
1991	8415m	Andrew Sambu	TAN	23:59	Muindi Mumo	KEN	24:04	Fita Bayissa	ETH	24:04
1992	7800m	Ismael Kirui	KEN	23:27	Haile Gebrselassie	ETH	23:35	Josphat Machuka	KEN	23:37
1993	7150m	Philip Mosima	KEN	20:18	Christopher Kosgei	KEN	20:20	Josphat Machuka	KEN	20:23
1994	8140m	Philip Mosima	KEN	24:15	Daniel Komen	KEN	24:17	Abrehem Tsige	ETH	24:46
1995	8470m	Assefa Mezegebu	ETH	24:12	Dejene Lidetu	ETH	24:14	David Chelule	KEN	24:16
1996	8350m	David Chelule	KEN	24:06	Assefa Mezegebu	ETH	24:19	Samuel Chepkok	KEN	24:24
1997	8511m	Elijah Korir	KEN	24:21	Million Wolde	ETH	24:28	Paul Kosgei	KEN	24:29
1998	8000m	Million Wolde	ETH	22:47	Richard Limo	KEN	22:50	Haylu Mekonnen	ETH	22:51
1999	8012m	Haylu Mekonnen	ETH	25:38	Richard Limo	KEN	25:43	Gideon Mitei	KEN	25:45
2000	8080m	Robert Kipchumba	KEN	22:49	Duncan Lebo	KEN	22:52	John Cheruiyot Korir	KEN	22:55
2001	7700m	Kenenisa Bekele	ETH	25:04	Duncan Lebo	KEN	25:37	Dathan Ritzenhein	USA	25:46
2002	7974m	Gebregziabher Gebremariam	ETH	23:18	Abel Cheruiyot	KEN	23:19	Boniface Kiprop	UGA	23:28
2003	7920m	Eliud Kipchoge	KEN	22:47	Boniface Kiprop	UGA	22:49	Solomon Bushendich	KEN	22:51
2004	8000m	Meba Tadesse	ETH	24:01	Boniface Kiprop	UGA	24:03	Ernest Meli	KEN	24:16
2005	8108m	Augustine Choge	KEN	23:59	Bernard Kiprop Kipyego	KEN	24:00	Barnabas Kosgei	KEN	24:00
2006	8000m	Mang'ata Ndiwa	KEN	23:53	Leonard Komon	KEN	23:54	Tariku Bekele	ETH	23:56
2007	8000m	Asbel Kiprop	KEN	24:07	Vincent Chepkok	KEN	24:12	Mathew Kisiorio	KEN	24:23
2008	7905m	Ibrahim Jeylan	ETH	22:38	Ayele Abshero	ETH	22:40	Lucas Rotich	KEN	22:42
2009	8000m	Ayele Abshero	ETH	23:26	Titus Mbishei	KEN	23:30	Moses Kibet	UGA	23:35

Teams	Gold		Silver		Bronze	
	Spain	18	Italy	.22	England	.24
1973	United States	.22	Morocco	.58	Italy	.90
1974	United States	.29	Ireland	.35	Spain	.44
1975	United States	.16	Spain	.60	England	.91
1976	United States	.36	Spain	.40	Canada	.67
1977	United States	.53	Canada	.53	Spain	.54
1978	England	.57	England	.74	USSR	.75
1979	Spain	.50	United States	.75	Spain	.79
1980	USSR	.23	England	.61	Canada	.66
1981	Ethiopia	.12	Italy	.37	United States	.70
1982	Ethiopia	.13	Spain	.41	England	.58
1983	Ethiopia	.21	Spain	.34	England	.68
1984	Ethiopia	.16	Kenya	.26	Spain	.64
1985	Ethiopia	.13	Kenya	.32	Spain	.52
1986	Ethiopia	.19	Kenya	.20	Japan	.73
1987	Ethiopia	.12	Ethiopia	.33	Spain	.61
1988	Kenya	.14	Ethiopia	.22	Italy	.76
1989	Kenya	.12	Ethiopia	.27	Italy	.85
1990	Kenya	.19	Ethiopia	.26	Tanzania	.54
1991	Kenya	.18	Ethiopia	.28	Japan	.90
1992	Kenya	.10	Ethiopia	.27	Morocco	.76
1993	Kenya	.18	Ethiopia	.27	Morocco	.78
1994	Kenya	.23	Ethiopia	.25	Morocco	.72
1995	Kenya	.13	Ethiopia	.26	Morocco	.94
1996	Kenya	.13	Ethiopia	.31	Morocco	.74
1997	Kenya	.16	Ethiopia	.20	Morocco	.62
1998	Ethiopia	.10	Ethiopia	.24	Tanzania	.77
1999	Kenya	.10	Ethiopia	.47	Uganda	.68
2000	Kenya	.24	Ethiopia	.25	Uganda	.68
2001	Kenya	.18	Ethiopia	.24	Uganda	.37
2002	Kenya	.15	Ethiopia	.28	Uganda	.48
2003	Kenya	.20	Ethiopia	.25	Uganda	.33
2004	Kenya	.10	Ethiopia	.37	Qatar	.75
2005	Kenya	.16	Ethiopia	.24	Eritrea	.44
2006	Kenya	.10	Eritrea	.44	Ethiopia	.54
2007	Kenya	.21	Ethiopia	.28	Uganda	.37
2008	Kenya	.20	Ethiopia	.22	Eritrea	.72
2009	Kenya	.20	Ethiopia			

WOMEN'S MEDALLISTS

Short Course (introduced in 1998, held until 2006)

Individuals	Gold		Silver		Bronze		
1998	4000m	Sonia O'Sullivan	IRL	12:20	Zahra Ouaziz	MAR	12:34
1999	4236m	Jackline Maranga	KEN	15:09	Yamma Belkacem	FRA	15:16
2000	4180m	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	13:00	Zahra Ouaziz	MAR	13:00
2001	4100m	Gete Wami	ETH	14:46	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	14:47
2002	4208m	Edith Masai	KEN	13:30	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	13:36
2003	4030m	Edith Masai	KEN	12:43	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	12:44
2004	4000m	Edith Masai	KEN	13:07	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	13:09
2005	4196m	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	13:15	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	13:16
2006	4000m	Gelete Burka	ETH	12:51	Prisciah Jepleting	KEN	12:53

Teams	Gold		Silver		Bronze	
1998	Morocco	.57	Ethiopia	.58	United States	.68
1999	France	.40	Ethiopia	.48	Morocco	.69
2000	Portugal	.46	Ethiopia	.55	France	.57
2001	Ethiopia	.26	Kenya	.32	Romania	.78
2002	Ethiopia	.32	Kenya	.34	Ireland	.85
2003	Kenya	.18	Ethiopia	.24	Russia	.76
2004	Ethiopia	.19	Kenya	.21	Canada	.87
2005	Ethiopia	.18	Kenya	.19	United States	.67
2006	Ethiopia	.25	Kenya	.26	Australia	.69

Long Course Individuals	Gold		Silver		Bronze		
1973	3990m	Paola Cacci	ITA	13:45.2	Joyce Smith	ENG	13:58.0
1974	4000m	Paola Cacci	ITA	12:42.0	Nina Holmen	FIN	12:47.6
1975	3900m	Julie Brown	USA	13:42	Bronislawa Ludwichowska	POL	13:47
					Carmen Valero	ESP	13:48

1976	4800m	Carmen Valero	ESP	16:19.4	Tatyana Kazankina	URS	16:39.0	Gabriela Dorio	ITA	16:56.0
1977	5100m	Carmen Valero	ESP	17:26	Lyudmila Bragina	URS	17:28	Giana Romanova	URS	17:35
1978	4728m	Grete Waitz	NOR	16:19	Natalia Marasescu	ROU	16:49	Maricica Puica	ROU	16:59
1979	5040m	Grete Waitz	NOR	16:48	Raisa Smekhnova	URS	17:14	Ellison Goodall	USA	17:18
1980	4820m	Grete Waitz	NOR	15:05	Irina Bondarchuk	URS	15:49	Yelena Chernysheva	URS	15:52
1981	4410m	Grete Waitz	NOR	14:07	Jan Merrill	USA	14:22	Yelena Sipatova	URS	14:22
1982	4663m	Maricica Puica	ROU	14:39	Fita Lovin	ROU	14:41	Grete Waitz	NOR	14:44
1983	4072m	Grete Waitz	NOR	13:29	Alison Wiley	CAN	13:37	Tatyana Pozdnyakova	URS	13:37
1984	5000m	Maricica Puica	ROU	15:56	Galina Zakharova	URS	15:58	Grete Waitz	NOR	15:58
1985	4990m	Zola Budd	ENG	15:01	Cathy Branta	USA	15:24	Ingrid Kristiansen	NOR	15:27
1986	4650m	Zola Budd	ENG	14:49.6	Lynn Jennings	USA	15:07.8	Annette Sergent	FRA	15:12.2
1987	5050m	Annette Sergent	FRA	16:46	Liz Lynch	SCO	16:48	Ingrid Kristiansen	NOR	16:51
1988	5962m	Ingrid Kristiansen	NOR	19:04	Angela Tooby	GBR	19:23	Annette Sergent	FRA	19:29
1989	6000m	Annette Sergent	FRA	22:27	Nadezhda Stepanova	URS	22:34	Lynn Williams	CAN	22:41
1990	6000m	Lynn Jennings	USA	19:21	Albertina Dias	POR	19:33	Yelena Romanova	URS	19:33
1991	6425m	Lynn Jennings	USA	20:24	Derartu Tulu	ETH	20:27	Liz McColgan	GBR	20:28
1992	6370m	Lynn Jennings	USA	21:16	Catherina McKiernan	IRL	21:18	Albertina Dias	POR	21:19
1993	6350m	Albertina Dias	POR	20:00	Catherina McKiernan	IRL	20:09	Lynn Jennings	USA	20:09
1994	6220m	Hellen Chepogeno	KEN	20:45	Catherina McKiernan	IRL	20:52	Conceição Ferreira	POR	20:52
1995	6470m	Derartu Tulu	ETH	20:21	Catherina McKiernan	IRL	20:29	Sally Barsosio	KEN	20:39
1996	6300m	Gete Wami	ETH	20:12	Rose Cheruiyot	KEN	20:18	Naomi Mugambi	KEN	20:21
1997	6600m	Derartu Tulu	ETH	20:53	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	20:55	Gete Wami	ETH	21:00
1998	8000m	Sonia O'Sullivan	IRL	25:39	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	25:42	Gete Wami	ETH	25:49
1999	8012m	Gete Wami	ETH	28:00	Merima Denboba	ETH	28:12	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	28:12
2000	8080m	Derartu Tulu	ETH	25:42	Gete Wami	ETH	25:48	Susan Chepkemei	KEN	25:50
2001	7700m	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	27:49	Gete Wami	ETH	27:52	Lydia Cheromei	KEN	28:07
2002	7974m	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	26:55	Deena Drossin	USA	27:04	Colleen de Reuck	USA	27:17
2003	7920m	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	25:53	Deena Drossin	USA	26:02	Merima Denboba	ETH	26:28
2004	8000m	Benita Johnson	AUS	27:17	Ejagayou Dibaba	ETH	27:29	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	27:34
2005	8108m	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	26:34	Alice Timbili	KEN	26:37	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	26:37
2006	8000m	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	25:21	Lornah Kiplagat	NED	25:26	Meselech Melkamu	ETH	25:38
2007	8000m	Lornah Kiplagat	NED	26:23	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	26:47	Meselech Melkamu	ETH	26:48
2008	7905m	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	25:10	Mestawet Tufa	ETH	25:15	Linet Masai	KEN	25:18
2009	8000m	Florence Kiplagat	KEN	26:13	Linet Masai	KEN	26:16	Meselech Melkamu	ETH	26:19

Teams	Gold	Silver	Bronze	
1973	England	40	Finland	73
1974	England	28	Italy	50
1975	United States	44	New Zealand	50
1976	USSR	33	Italy	59
1977	USSR	15	United States	48
1978	Romania	30	United States	37
1979	United States	29	USSR	48
1980	USSR	15	England	49
1981	USSR	24	United States	36
1982	USSR	44	Italy	57
1983	United States	31	USSR	41
1984	United States	52	England	65
1985	United States	42	USSR	77
1986	England	65	New Zealand	67
1987	United States	46	France	50
1988	USSR	51	Great Britain & NI	61
1989	USSR	58	France	60
1990	USSR	37	Ethiopia	75
1991	Kenya	36	Ethiopia	36
1992	Kenya	47	United States	77
1993	Kenya	52	Japan	93
1994	Portugal	55	Ethiopia	65
1995	Kenya	26	Ethiopia	38
1996	Kenya	24	Ethiopia	44
1997	Ethiopia	24	Kenya	34
1998	Kenya	30	Ethiopia	37
1999	Ethiopia	18	Kenya	27
2000	Ethiopia	20	Kenya	23
2001	Kenya	18	Ethiopia	70
2002	Ethiopia	28	United States	38
2003	Ethiopia	17	Kenya	30
2004	Ethiopia	26	Kenya	30
2005	Ethiopia	16	Kenya	22
2006	Ethiopia	16	Kenya	39
2007	Ethiopia	26	Kenya	26
2008	Ethiopia	18	Kenya	22
2009	Kenya	14	Ethiopia	28

JUNIOR WOMEN

Individuals	Gold	Silver	Bronze							
1989	4000m	Malin Ewerlöf	SWE	15:23	Olga Nazarkina	URS	15:30	Esther Saina	KEN	15:41
1990	4400m	Liu Shixiang	CHN	14:19	Yan Qinglan	CHN	14:20	Susan Chepkemei	KEN	14:22
1991	4435m	Lydia Cheromei	KEN	13:59	Jane Ekimat	KEN	14:20	Melody Fairchild	USA	14:28
1992	4005m	Paula Radcliffe	GBR	13:30	Wang Junxia	CHN	13:35	Lydia Cheromei	KEN	13:43
1993	4450m	Gladys Ondeyo	KEN	14:04	Pamela Chepchumba	KEN	14:09	Sally Barsosio	KEN	14:11
1994	4300m	Sally Barsosio	KEN	14:04	Rose Cheruiyot	KEN	14:05	Elizabeth Cheptanui	KEN	14:15
1995	4470m	Annemari Sandell	FIN	14:04	Jebiwot Keitany	KEN	14:09	Nancy Kipron	KEN	14:17
1996	4220m	Kutre Dulecha	ETH	13:27	Annemari Sandell	FIN	13:32	Jepkorir Aiabiei	KEN	13:35
1997	4689m	Rose Koskei	KEN	14:58	Priscash Jepleting	KEN	14:59	Ayleech Worku	ETH	15:02
1998	6000m	Yimenashu Taye	ETH	19:32	Jeruto Kiptum	KEN	19:34	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	19:34
1999	6124m	Worknesh Kidane	ETH	21:26	Vivian Cheruiyot	KEN	21:37	Yoshiko Fujinaga	JPN	21:41
2000	6290m	Vivian Cheruiyot	KEN	20:34	Alice Timbili	KEN	20:35	Viola Kibiwott	KEN	20:36
2001	5900m	Viola Kibiwott	KEN	22:05	Abebech Nigussie	ETH	22:05	Aster Bacha	ETH	22:05
2002	5962m	Viola Kibiwott	KEN	20:13	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	20:14	Vivian Cheruiyot	KEN	20:22

2003	6215m	Tirunesh Dibaba	ETH	20:21	Peninah Chepchumba	KEN	20:22	Gelete Burka	ETH	20:28
2004	6000m	Meselech Melkamu	ETH	20:48	Aziza Aliye	ETH	20:53	Mestawet Tadesse	ETH	20:56
2005	6153m	Gelete Burka	ETH	20:12	Veronica Nyaruai	KEN	20:39	Beatrice Chepangeno	KEN	20:44
2006	6000m	Pauline Korkiwiang	KEN	19:27	Veronica Nyaruai	KEN	19:27	Mercy Kosgei	KEN	19:45
2007	6000m	Linet Masai	KEN	20:52	Mercy Kosgei	KEN	20:59	Veronica Nyaruai	KEN	21:10
2008	6040m	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	19:59	Irine Cheptai	KEN	20:04	Emebet Eta'a	ETH	20:06
2009	6000m	Genzebe Dibaba	ETH	20:14	Mercy Cherono	KEN	20:17	Jackline Chepangeno	KEN	20:27

Teams	Gold	Silver	Bronze
1989	Kenya.....40	USSR.....68	Portugal.....84
1990	Kenya.....20	Japan.....44	PR of China.....68
1991	Kenya.....18	Ethiopia.....40	Japan.....43
1992	Ethiopia.....55	Romania.....59	Kenya.....59
1993	Kenya.....10	Japan.....41	Ethiopia.....61
1994	Kenya.....11	Ethiopia.....46	Japan.....60
1995	Kenya.....18	Ethiopia.....31	Japan.....56
1996	Kenya.....21	Ethiopia.....26	Japan.....70
1997	Kenya.....15	Japan.....38	Ethiopia.....39
1998	Ethiopia.....16	Kenya.....20	Japan.....68
1999	Ethiopia.....20	Kenya.....31	Japan.....46
2000	Kenya.....12	Ethiopia.....24	Japan.....78
2001	Ethiopia.....16	Kenya.....20	Japan.....59
2002	Kenya.....13	Ethiopia.....24	Japan.....63
2003	Ethiopia.....14	Kenya.....22	Morocco.....78
2004	Ethiopia.....10	Kenya.....36	Japan.....67
2005	Kenya.....16	Ethiopia.....22	Japan.....56
2006	Kenya.....10	Ethiopia.....29	Japan.....58
2007	Kenya.....13	Eritrea.....33	Ethiopia.....36
2008	Ethiopia.....16	Kenya.....20	Japan.....57
2009	Ethiopia.....18	Kenya.....18	Japan.....76

AGES OF WORLD CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

MEN

Short Course

1998	John Kibowen KEN	28 years 334 days
1999	Benjamin Limo KEN	24 years 216 days
2000	John Kibowen KEN	30 years 332 days
2001	Enock Koech KEN	19 years 354 days
2002	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	19 years 283 days
2003	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	20 years 289 days
2004	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	21 years 281 days
2005	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	22 years 279 days
2006	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	23 years 292 days

Long Course

1973	Pekka Päivärinta FIN	23 years 317 days
1974	Eric de Beck BEL	22 years 283 days
1975	Ian Stewart SCO	26 years 60 days
1976	Carlos Lopes POR	29 years 10 days
1977	Léon Schots BEL	24 years 282 days
1978	John Treacy IRL	20 years 295 days
1979	John Treacy IRL	21 years 294 days
1980	Craig Virgin USA	24 years 220 days
1981	Craig Virgin USA	25 years 238 days
1982	Mohamed Kedir ETH	28 years 196 days
1983	Bekele Debele ETH	20 years 8 days
1984	Carlos Lopes POR	37 years 36 days
1985	Carlos Lopes POR	38 years 34 days
1986	John Ngugi KEN	23 years 316 days
1987	John Ngugi KEN	24 years 316 days
1988	John Ngugi KEN	25 years 321 days
1989	John Ngugi KEN	26 years 313 days
1990	Khalid Skah MAR	23 years 54 days
1991	Khalid Skah MAR	24 years 54 days
1992	John Ngugi KEN	29 years 316 days
1993	William Sigei KEN	23 years 168 days
1994	William Sigei KEN	24 years 166 days
1995	Paul Tergat KEN	25 years 281 days
1996	Paul Tergat KEN	26 years 280 days
1997	Paul Tergat KEN	27 years 279 days
1998	Paul Tergat KEN	28 years 278 days
1999	Paul Tergat KEN	29 years 284 days
2000	Mohammed Mourhit BEL	29 years 161 days

2001 Mohammed Mourhit BEL

30 years 166 days

2002 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

19 years 284 days

2003 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

20 years 290 days

2004 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

21 years 282 days

2005 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

22 years 280 days

2006 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

23 years 293 days

2007 Zersenay Tadesse ERI

25 years 44 days

2008 Kenenisa Bekele ETH

25 years 291 days

2009 Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH

24 years 199 days

Juniors

1973	Jim Brown SCO	20 years 185 days
1974	Rich Kimball USA	17 years 331 days
1975	Bobby Thomas USA	18 years 231 days
1976	Eric Hulst USA	19 years 31 days
1977	Thom Hunt USA	19 years 3 days
1978	Mick Morton ENG	18 years 132 days
1979	Eddy de Pauw BEL	18 years 290 days
1980	Jorge García ESP	18 years 312 days
1981	Mohammed Chouri MAR	18 years 325 days
1982	Zurbachev Gelaw ETH	16/17 years
1983	Feyissa Abebe ETH	18 years 105 days
1984	Pere Casacuberta ESP	18 years 348 days
1985	Kipkemboi Kimeli KEN	18 years 114 days
1986	Melese Feissa ETH	18 years 105 days
1987	Wilfred Kirochi KEN	17 years 100 days
1988	Wilfred Kirochi KEN	18 years 105 days
1989	Addis Abebe ETH	18 years 195 days
1990	Kipyego Kororia KEN	18 years 89 days
1991	Andrew Sambu TAN	18 years 170 days
1992	Ismael Kirui KEN	17 years 30 days
1993	Philip Mosima KEN	16 years 85 days
1994	Philip Mosima KEN	17 years 83 days
1995	Assefa Mezegebu ETH	16 years 279 days
1996	David Chelule KEN	18 years 260 days
1997	Elijah Korir KEN	18 years 342 days
1998	Million Wolde ETH	19 years 5 days
1999	Haylu Mekonnen ETH	18 years 358 days
2000	Robert Kipchumba KEN	16 years 24 days
2001	Kenenisa Bekele ETH	18 years 285 days
2002	Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH	17 years 195 days
2003	Eliud Kipchoge ETH	18 years 145 days
2004	Meba Tadesse ETH	17/18 years
2005	Augustine Choge KEN	18 years 58 days
2006	Mang'ata Ndiwa KEN	18/19 years

2007	Asbel Kiprop KEN	17 years 267 days
2008	Ibrahim Jeylan ETH	18 years 292 days
2009	Ayele Abshero ETH	18 years 90 days

WOMEN**Short Course**

1998	Sonia O'Sullivan IRL	28 years 113 days
1999	Jackline Maranga KEN	21 years 102 days
2000	Kutre Dulecha ETH	21 years 210 days
2001	Gete Wami ETH	26 years 104 days
2002	Edith Masai KEN	34 years 354 days
2003	Edith Masai KEN	35 years 360 days
2004	Edith Masai KEN	36 years 352 days
2005	Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	19 years 170 days
2006	Gelete Burka ETH	20 years 69 days

Long Course

1973	Paola Pigni ITA	27 years 77 days
1974	Paola Cacchi ITA	28 years 76 days
1975	Julie Brown USA	20 years 40 days
1976	Carmen Valero ESP	20 years 147 days
1977	Carmen Valero ESP	21 years 167 days
1978	Grete Waitz NOR	24 years 176 days
1979	Grete Waitz NOR	25 years 175 days
1980	Grete Waitz NOR	26 years 160 days
1981	Grete Waitz NOR	27 years 178 days
1982	Maricia Puica ROU	31 years 235 days
1983	Grete Waitz NOR	29 years 170 days
1984	Maricia Puica ROU	33 years 240 days
1985	Zola Budd ENG	18 years 302 days
1986	Zola Budd ENG	19 years 300 days
1987	Annette Sergent FRA	24 years 125 days
1988	Ingrid Kristiansen NOR	32 years 5 days
1989	Annette Sergent FRA	26 years 122 days
1990	Lynn Jennings USA	29 years 266 days
1991	Lynn Jennings USA	30 years 266 days
1992	Lynn Jennings USA	31 years 264 days
1993	Albertina Dias POR	27 years 336 days
1994	Hellen Chepnceno KEN	26 years 236 days
1995	Derartu Tulu ETH	23 years 4 days
1996	Gete Wami ETH	21 years 103 days
1997	Derartu Tulu ETH	25 years 2 days
1998	Sonia O'Sullivan IRL	28 years 114 days
1999	Gete Wami ETH	24 years 106 days
2000	Derartu Tulu ETH	27 years 363 days
2001	Paula Radcliffe GBR	27 years 97 days
2002	Paula Radcliffe GBR	28 years 96 days
2003	Worknesh Kidane ETH	21 years 128 days
2004	Benita Johnson AUS	24 years 319 days
2005	Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	19 years 169 days
2006	Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	20 years 182 days
2007	Lornah Kiplagat NED	32 years 327 days
2008	Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	22 years 181 days
2009	Florence Kiplagat KEN	22 years 29 days

Junior Women

1989	Malin Ewerlöf SWE	16 years 290 days
1990	Liu Shixiang CHN	19 years 70 days
1991	Lydia Cheromei KEN	13 years 317 days
1992	Paula Radcliffe GBR	18 years 95 days
1993	Gladys Ondeyo KEN	17 years 322 days
1994	Sally Barsosio KEN	16 years 5 days
1995	Annemari Sandell FIN	18 years 82 days
1996	Kutre Dulecha ETH	17 years 214 days
1997	Rose Kosgei KEN	15 years 213 days
1998	Yimenashu Taye ETH	18/19 years
1999	Worknesh Kidane ETH	17 years 126 days
2000	Vivian Cheruiyot KEN	16 years 281 days
2001	Viola Kibiwott KEN	17 years 92 days
2002	Viola Kibiwott KEN	18 years 91 days

2003	Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	17 years 300 days
2004	Meselech Melkamu ETH	18 years 336 days
2005	Gelete Burka ETH*	19 years 55 days
2006	Pauline Korikwiang KEN	18 years 31 days
2007	Linet Masai KEN	17 years 109 days
2008	Genzebe Dibaba ETH	17 years 51 days
2009	Genzebe Dibaba ETH	18 years 48 days

* Age is computed from her current accepted birthdate of January 23, 1986; Her entry birthdate at the 2005 championships was February 15, 1986

MOST APPEARANCES**Men**

18	Domingos Castro POR	82/86-2001/2003
17	Alejandro Gómez ESP	85-91/93-2001/2004/2005
15	Fernando Mamede POR	73/76-89
	Antonio Prieto ESP	77-85/87-91
	Paul McCloy CAN	81-88/90-96
14	Pierre Levisse FRA	76-78/81-91
13	Hans-Jürgen Orthmann FRG	75-87
	José Manuel García ESP	83-85/90-92/94-99/2002
	Joël Bourgeois CAN	90/92/97-05/08/09
12	Gerry Deegan IRL	73-74/76-83/86-87
	Nat Muir SCO	73-83/85/87
	Ezequiel Canario POR	78-79/82-84/86-91/94
	Dave Clarke ENG/GBR	77/81-83/85-87/89/92-95
	Constantino Esparcía ESP	78/79/82-91
	José Carlos Adán ESP	86/89-95/97/99-2002
	Paulo Guerra POR	89/92-2001/2007
11	Santiago de la Parte ESP	73-83
	John Treacy IRL	74-75/78-80/82-86/88
	Thierry Watrice FRA	76/78/80-84/86-87/89-90
	Jos Maes BEL	79/84-85/87-93/96
	Salvatore Bettioli ITA	80/86-92/94-96
	Steve Moneghetti AUS	85/86/87/88/89/91/92/96/97/2001/04
	Umberto Pusterla ITA	86/92-95/97/99/02-05
	Kevin Sullivan CAN	90-93/99-01/03-06
10	19 men	

Women

17	Conceição Ferreira POR	82-85/87-94/96-2000
15	Kathy Butler CAN/GBR	90-97/99/2001-2006
14	Montserrat Abello ESP	73-80/82-88
	Anja Smolders BEL	91-2004
13	Mary O'Connor NZL	79/81-91/93
	Elena Fidatof ROU	84-86/90-93/95-97/2000-02
	Anne Keenan-Buckley IRL	85/87-88/91/93/95-96/98-2003
	Teresa Recio ESP	85/86/87/94/96/98/99/00/01/2002/2004-2006
12	Merima Denboba ETH	91-95/97-2003
	Ana Dias POR	93/95-96/99-06/09
11	Joelle Debrouwers FRA	74-84
	Annette Sergent/Palluy FRA	85-90/93-96
	Teresa Duffy NIR/IRL	86-87/90/92-96/98-99/2002
	Getenesh Urge ETH	89-90/92-2000
	Julia Vaquero ESP	89-98/2000
	Paula Radcliffe GBR	91-93/95-2002
	Gete Wami ETH	91-92/94-01/05
	Jacqueline Martín ESP	92-93/95/98-99/01-02/04-05/08-09
	Alessandra Aguilar ESP	96-97/00-06/08-09
10	16 women	

MOST MEDALS, BY ATHLETE

Men

<u>Individual & team</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Total</u>
Kenenisa Bekele ETH	16	9	2	27
Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH	6	7	2	15
Paul Tergat KEN	13	-	1	14
John Ngugi KEN	12	-	-	12
Ismael Kirui KEN	8	1	2	11
Haylu Mekonnen ETH	2	4	5	11
Assefa Mezgebu ETH	1	8	2	11
John Kibowen KEN	7	1	1	9
Bekele Debele ETH	5	2	2	9
Paul Kosgei KEN	5	1	3	9
Paul Kipkoech KEN	4	4	1	9
Craig Virgin USA	2	5	2	9
Mohammed Kedir ETH	6	2	-	8
Moses Tanui KEN	6	2	-	8
Patrick Ivuti KEN	6	2	-	8
Benjamin Limo KEN	6	-	2	8
Richard Limo KEN	4	4	-	8
Bernie Ford ENG	3	3	2	8
Albert Chepkurui KEN/				
Ahmad Hassan Abdullah QAT	3	1	4	8
Million Wolde ETH	2	5	1	8
Melese Feissa ETH	2	3	3	8
Sileshi Sihine ETH	1	5	2	8
Salah Hissou MAR	-	6	2	8
Fita Bayissa ETH	-	4	4	8
Boniface Kiprop UGA	-	2	6	8
Paul Koech KEN	6	1	-	7
Boniface Merande KEN	6	1	-	7
Sammy Kipketer KEN	5	2	-	7
Wodajo Bulti ETH	4	1	2	7
Karel Lismont BEL	3	1	3	7
Mohamed Awol ETH	2	4	1	7
Habte Negash ETH	2	3	2	7
Debebe Demisse ETH	2	3	2	7
Wolde Silasse Melkessa ETH	2	2	3	7
Zersenay Tadesse ERI	1	2	4	7
Haile Gebrselassie ETH	-	4	3	7
Ayele Mezgebu ETH	-	4	3	7
Philip Mosima KEN	6	-	-	6
Wilfred Kirochi KEN	4	1	1	6
Joseph Kiptum KEN	4	-	2	6
Thom Hunt USA	3	3	-	6
Leonard Komon KEN	3	3	-	6
Moses Mosop KEN	3	3	-	6
Carlos Lopes POR	3	2	1	6
John Cheruiyot Korir KEN	3	2	1	6
Charles Kamathi KEN	3	2	1	6
Some Muge KEN	3	-	3	6
John Treacy IRL	2	2	2	6
Demeke Bekele ETH	2	2	2	6
Addis Abebe ETH	1	4	1	6
Abraham Assefa ETH	-	4	2	6
Habte Jifar ETH	-	4	2	6
Ed Eyestone USA	-	3	3	6
José Manuel García ESP	-	2	4	6
Adil Kaouch MAR	-	2	4	6
<u>Individual medals only</u>				
Kenenisa Bekele ETH	12	1	-	13
Paul Tergat KEN	5	-	1	6
John Ngugi KEN	5	-	-	5
Carlos Lopes POR	3	2	-	5
Gebre-egziabher Gebremariam ETH	2	2	1	5
John Treacy IRL	2	-	2	4
Assefa Mezgebu ETH	1	2	1	4

Ismael Kirui KEN	1	1	2	4
Zersenay Tadesse ERI	1	1	2	4
Haylu Mekonnen ETH	1	-	3	4
Paul Kosgei KEN	-	1	3	4

Women

<u>Individual & team</u>				
Worknesh Kidane ETH	11	5	4	20
Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	14	5	-	19
Gete Wami ETH	9	8	2	19
Meselech Melkamu ETH	9	1	4	14
Merima Denboba ETH	6	7	2	15
Derartu Tulu ETH	6	5	1	12
Sally Barsosio KEN	7	2	2	11
Vivian Cheruiyot KEN	3	7	1	11
Prisca Jepleting/Cherono KEN	2	8	-	10
Gelete Burka ETH	6	2	1	9
Ayelech Worku ETH	4	3	2	9
Pamela Chepchumba KEN	4	3	2	9
Lydia Cheromei KEN	4	2	3	9
Susan Chepkemei KEN	3	3	3	9
Annette Sergent FRA	2	2	5	9
Getenesh Urge ETH	1	7	1	9
Bezunesh Bekele ETH	5	3	-	8
Viola Kibiwott KEN	5	2	1	8
Edith Masai KEN	4	3	1	8
Lynn Jennings USA	4	2	2	8
Genet Gebregiorgis ETH	3	5	-	8
Paula Radcliffe GBR	3	3	2	8
Kutre Dulecha ETH	2	4	2	8
Isabella Ochichi KEN	1	5	2	8
Grete Waitz NOR	5	-	2	7
Merima Hashim ETH	4	2	1	7
Tatyana Pozdnyakova URS	4	2	1	7
Rose Cheruiyot KEN	3	3	1	7
Alice Timbiliil KEN	1	6	-	7
Teyiba Erkesso ETH	5	-	1	6
Raisa Katukova URS	4	2	-	6
Jane Ngotho KEN	4	2	-	6
Ejagayou Dibaba ETH	4	2	-	6
Mestawat Tufa ETH	4	2	-	6
Giana Romanova URS	4	1	1	6
Asha Gigi ETH	3	3	-	6
Eyerusalem Kuma ETH	3	3	-	6
Naomi Mugo KEN	3	2	1	6
Linet Masai KEN	3	2	1	6
Veronica Nyaruai (Wanjiru) KEN	3	2	1	6
Yelena Chernysheva URS	3	1	2	6
Yelena Romanova URS	3	-	3	6
Berhane Adere ETH	2	3	1	6
Jan Merrill USA	2	3	1	6
Leila Aman ETH	2	3	1	6
Leah Malot KEN	2	2	2	6
<u>Individual medals only</u>				
Tirunesh Dibaba ETH	5	3	-	8
Worknesh Kidane ETH	2	3	3	8
Gete Wami NOR	5	-	2	7
Paula Radcliffe GBR	3	3	1	7
Gete Wami ETH	3	2	2	7
Lynn Jennings USA	3	1	1	5
Meselech Melkamu ETH	1	-	4	5
Derartu Tulu ETH	3	1	-	4
Edith Masai KEN	3	-	1	4
Annette Sergent FRA	2	-	2	4
Catherina McKiernan IRL	-	4	-	4

MEDAL TABLES – BY COUNTRY

<u>All Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>	Tunisia	1	-	-	1
Kenya	117	84	61	262	Poland	-	1	-	1
Ethiopia	86	87	49	222	Ukraine	-	1	-	1
United States	21	18	20	59	Totals	166	166	166	498
Great Britain & NI ¹	15	21	19	55	1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):				
USSR ²	9	15	13	37	Great Britain & NI	-	2	1	3
Morocco	3	13	17	33	England	5	10	8	23
Spain	6	10	12	28	Scotland	2	-	1	3
Portugal	6	3	13	22	Wales	-	-	1	1
Japan	-	4	18	22	Totals	7	12	11	30
France	4	5	11	20	2. Breakdown of USSR placings:				
Belgium	8	1	6	15	Team	1	1	4	6
Ireland	4	6	4	14	Russia	-	2	-	2
Italy	2	6	6	14	Lithuania	-	1	1	2
Uganda	-	3	9	12	Kyrgyzstan	-	-	1	1
Romania	3	3	5	11	Totals	1	4	6	11
Eritrea	1	4	6	11	<u>All Women's Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>
Norway	6	-	4	10	Kenya	37	39	26	102
Canada	-	3	6	9	Ethiopia	44	34	21	99
Finland	2	3	3	8	United States	10	10	12	32
New Zealand	1	2	5	8	USSR ¹	8	11	7	26
Qatar	-	1	5	6	Great Britain & NI ²	8	9	8	25
PR of China	1	2	1	4	Japan	-	4	16	20
Tanzania	1	1	2	4	France	3	3	7	13
Australia	1	-	2	3	Romania	3	3	5	11
Poland	-	2	1	3	Portugal	3	1	7	11
Netherlands	1	1	-	2	Norway	6	-	4	10
Germany (FRG)	-	1	1	2	Ireland	2	4	2	8
Sweden	1	-	-	1	Italy	2	3	2	7
Tunisia	1	-	-	1	Finland	1	3	2	6
Ukraine	-	1	-	1	Morocco	1	2	3	6
Russia	-	-	1	1	PR of China	1	2	1	4
Totals	300	300	300	900	New Zealand	-	2	2	4
1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):					Canada	-	1	3	4
Great Britain & NI	3	7	5	15	Spain	2	-	1	3
England	10	13	12	35	Australia	1	-	2	3
Scotland	2	1	1	4	Netherlands	1	1	-	2
Wales	-	-	1	1	Poland	-	1	1	2
Totals	15	21	19	55	Sweden	1	-	-	1
2. Breakdown of USSR placings:					Eritrea	-	1	-	1
Team	9	5	6	20	Belgium	-	-	1	1
Russia	-	8	3	11	Russia	-	-	1	1
Ukraine	-	-	2	2	Totals	134	134	134	402
Lithuania	-	1	1	2	1. Breakdown of USSR placings:				
Belarus	-	1	-	1	Team	8	4	2	14
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	1	1	Russia	-	6	3	9
Totals	9	15	13	37	Ukraine	-	-	2	2
<u>All Men's Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>	Belarus	-	1	-	1
Kenya	80	45	35	160	Totals	8	11	7	26
Ethiopia	42	53	28	123	2. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):				
United States	11	8	8	27	England	5	3	4	12
Great Britain & NI ¹	7	12	11	30	Great Britain & NI	3	5	4	12
Morocco	2	11	14	27	Scotland	-	1	-	1
Spain	4	10	11	25	Totals	8	9	8	25
Belgium	8	1	5	14	<u>All Junior Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>
Portugal	3	2	6	11	Kenya	57	41	27	125
USSR ²	1	4	6	11	Ethiopia	35	41	19	95
Uganda	-	3	9	12	Japan	-	3	17	20
Eritrea	1	3	6	10	Spain	4	7	7	18
France	1	2	4	7	United States	9	2	5	16
Italy	-	3	4	7	Great Britain & NI ¹	4	3	6	13
Ireland	2	2	2	6	Uganda	-	2	8	10
Qatar	-	1	5	6	Morocco	-	1	7	8
Canada	-	2	3	5	USSR ²	1	4	2	7
Tanzania	1	1	2	4	Italy	-	3	4	7
New Zealand	1	-	3	4	Canada	-	2	3	5
Finland	1	-	1	2	PR of China	1	2	1	4
Germany (FRG)	-	1	1	2					
Japan	-	-	2	2					

Eritrea	-	2	2	4
Finland	1	1	1	3
Tanzania	1	-	2	3
Ireland	-	1	2	3
Belgium	1	-	1	2
Sweden	1	-	-	1
Tunisia	1	-	-	1
Romania	-	1	-	1
Portugal	-	-	1	1
Qatar	-	-	1	1
Totals	116	116	116	348

1. Breakdown of USSR placings:

Team	-	-	1	-	1
Russia	-	-	1	-	1
Totals	-	-	2	-	2

POLAND AT THE WORLD CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

32 appearances: 1974-1982/1985-1994/1996-2000/2002-2009

Best Placings:

		Individuals		Teams
Men Short	33	Rafal Wójcik.....	1998	-
Men Long	2	Bronisław Malinowski.....	1979	7.....1979
Men Junior	14	Jarosław Cichocki.....	1989	5.....1989
Women Short	26	Justyna Bak	1999	-
Women Long	2	Bronisława Ludwichowska....	1975	3.....1975
Women Junior	17	Danuta Marczyk.....	1991	8.....1991

1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):

England	2	3	5	10
Scotland	1	-	1	2
Great Britain & NI	1	-	-	1
Totals	4	3	6	13

2. Breakdown of USSR placings:

Team	1	1	1	3
Russia	-	3	-	3
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	1	1
Totals	1	4	2	7

<u>Junior Men's Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>
Kenya	35	20	13	68
Ethiopia	19	30	10	59
Spain	4	7	7	18
United States	9	2	4	15
Great Britain & NI ¹	3	3	6	12
Uganda	-	2	8	10
Italy	-	3	4	7
Morocco	-	1	6	7
USSR ²	1	2	2	5
Canada	-	2	3	5
Tanzania	1	-	2	3
Ireland	-	1	2	3
Eritrea	-	1	2	3
Belgium	1	-	1	2
Japan	-	-	2	2
Tunisia	1	-	-	1
Finland	-	-	1	1
Qatar	-	-	1	1
Totals	74	74	74	222

1. Breakdown of British placings (GBR from 1988):

England	2	3	5	10
Scotland	1	-	1	2
Totals	3	3	6	12

2. Breakdown of USSR placings:

Team	1	-	1	2
Russia	-	2	-	2
Kyrgyzstan	-	-	1	1
Totals	1	2	2	5

<u>Junior Women's Events</u>	<u>Gold</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Bronze</u>	<u>Medals</u>
Kenya	22	21	14	57
Ethiopia	16	11	9	36
Japan	-	3	15	18
PR of China	1	2	1	4
Finland	1	1	-	2
USSR ¹	-	2	-	2
Great Britain & NI	1	-	-	1
Sweden	1	-	-	1
Romania	-	1	-	1
Morocco	-	-	1	1
Portugal	-	-	1	1
United States	-	-	1	1
Eritrea	-	1	-	1
Totals	42	42	42	126

All Placings (Individual & Team):

Gold	Silver	Bronze	4	5	6	7	8 Medals	Points
1974	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	6
1975	-	1	1	-	-	-	2	13
1976	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	8
1977	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	5
1978	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4
1979	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	9
1989	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4
1991	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Total	-	2	1	1	4	2	1	50

Individual placing tables :

Overall Gold	Silver	Bronze	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th Medals	Points
1974	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3
1975	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7
1976	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4
1979	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7
Totals	-	2	-	1	1	-	2	21
Men Gold	Silver	Bronze	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th Medals	Points
1979	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7
Totals	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7
Women Gold	Silver	Bronze	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th Medals	Points
1974	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3
1975	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	7
1976	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4
Totals	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	14