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Second largest Winter Team ever named

- 53 athletes will represent Australia at the Olympic Winter Games in Milano Cortina.
- This is the second largest Australian Team ever and largest for 12 years.

Games	Team size
Sochi 2014	60
Milano 2026	53
PyeongChang 2018	51
Beijing 2022	43
Vancouver 2010	40
Torino 2006	40

The most women on an Australian Olympic Team

- By percentage, it is easily the most women on a Summer or Winter Games Team.
- Previous % of women in Australian Olympic Teams:
 - Winter – 51.7% Sochi 2014
 - Summer – 55.9% Paris 2024
- The percentage of women has increased from 51.2% in 2022 to 62.3% in 2026.

Winter Games	% of women	# of Women	# of Men
Milano 2026	62.3%	33	20
Sochi 2014	51.7%	31	29
Beijing 2022	51.2%	22	21
PyeongChang 2018	45%	23	28
Vancouver 2010	50%	20	20

Outstanding Australian Performances

- In the 2025/26 World Cup season Australia has won 26 World Cup medals to-date.
- Medals have been won across seven disciplines by 11 different Australian athletes.

World Cup Results	Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze	World Cup Ranking*
Bree Walker	Bobsleigh	3	1	1	2nd
Jakara Anthony	Moguls	3			1st
Indra Brown	Freeski Halfpipe	1	1	1	1st
Valentino Guseli	Snowboard Halfpipe	1		2	2nd
Adam Lambert	Snowboard Cross	1		2	1st
Matt Graham	Moguls	1	1		2nd
Dani Scott	Aerial Skiing	1		1	7th
Laura Peel	Aerial Skiing	1			5th
Scotty James	Snowboard Halfpipe	1			7th**
Josie Baff	Snowboard Cross		1	1	2nd
Ally Hickman	Snowboard Big Air			1	4th
Total (26)		13	4	9	

* Data correct as at 23/01/2026

** Note: Scotty James' ranking is impacted by only competing in two of five World Cup events.

Hometown heroes

- Hometowns by State: 28 - NSW, 15 – VIC, 5 – QLD, 3 – WA, 1 – ACT (6 – overseas)
- Six Team members were born overseas: Two from Canada (Brendan Corey & Jason Chan); one each from Norway (Lars Young Vik), Russia (Anastasiia Golubeva), Singapore (Misaki Vaughan) and USA (Jackson Harvey).
- 87% were born in Australia, 13% were born overseas.
- Some hometowns and locations where athletes are from: Cairns, Townsville, Perth, Ararat, Leonora, Barwon Heads, Marlo and Dalmeny.

A blend of youth and experience

- 30 athletes (56.6%) are on debut. In Beijing 2022 the team had 46.5% on debut.
- The average age of the Australian team is 25.45 years, while in Beijing 2022 it was 25.5 years.
- There are five teenagers on the team: (Beijing 2022 included four teenagers)
 - 16* – Indra Brown (Free Ski Halfpipe) (*age at Games Time)
 - 16 - Ally Hickman (Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air)
 - 17 - Amelie Haskell (Snowboard Halfpipe)
 - 18 - Daisy Thomas (Free Ski Slopestyle/Big Air)
 - 19 – Abbey Wilson (Snowboard Cross)
- Indra Brown is aged 16 at the Games and the 4th youngest (3rd female) to compete for Australia at the Winter Olympics.

- Ally Hickman, also 16, is the next youngest ever Australian, therefore is the 5th youngest (4th female) to be selected for the Australian Team for the Winter Olympics.

EXPERIENCE

- Five of the six medallists from the past two Games return - defending Olympic Champion Jakara Anthony (Moguls), Scotty James (Snowboard Halfpipe), Matt Graham (Moguls), Tess Coady (Snowboard Big Air/ Slopestyle) and Jarryd Hughes (Snowboard Cross). NB: Only Jaclyn Narracott (Skeleton) is missing- having retired.
- Scotty James, selected for his fifth Games, is the equal second most by any athlete. His fifth Snowboard team is the most by any Australian.
- Alex Ferlazzo, selected for a fourth Olympic appearance in Luge, is double the most by an Australian.
- Matt Graham’s fourth Olympic appearance in moguls, equals the most by Adrian Costa and Britt Cox.
- Jarryd Hughes and Cam Bolton have been selected for a fourth Olympic appearance in Snowboard Cross, surpassing the previous most of three appearances by Belle Brockhoff and Alex Pullin.
- Phil Bellingham becomes just the second Australian, and first man, to compete in two Winter Olympics sports behind Jenny Lyons (*nee* Owens). Owens competed in Alpine Skiing in 2002, then in 2010 and 2014 Freestyle Skiing (Ski Cross).
 - He joins 9 other Aussies to compete in two or more sports at a summer Games.

Games experience

6 Games (1 total)	5 Games (3 total, 1 in 2026)	4 Games (11 total, 7 in 2026)
Colin Coates (Speed Skating: 1968 - 1988)	Scotty James (Snowboard: 2010 – 2026)	Laura Peel (Aerials: 2014-2026)
	Lydia Lassila (Aerial Skiing: 2002 - 2018)	Danielle Scott (Aerials: 2014-2026)
	Jacqui Cooper (Aerial Skiing: 1994 - 2010)	Alex Ferlazzo (Luge: 2014-2026)
		Matt Graham (Moguls: 2014-2026)
		Phillip Bellingham (Cross Country: 2014-2022, Ski Mountaineering 2026)
		Cameron Bolton (Snowboard Cross: 2014-2026)
		Jarryd Hughes (Snowboard Cross: 2014-2026)
		Britt Cox (Moguls: 2010 – 2022)
		Holly Crawford (Snowboard: 2006-2018)
		Adrian Costa (Moguls: 1992 – 2002)
		Zali Steggall (Alpine Skiing: 1992-2002)

- The 2022 Team included two athletes competing at their fourth Games, while the 2026 team will have eight at their fourth Games and one at their fifth Games.
- The 2022 Team arrived having competed at a total of 40 Games combined Games, while the 2026 team has a total of 48 combined Games experience.
 - 5th Games – 1 athlete
 - 4th Games – 7 athletes
 - 3rd Games - 4 athletes
 - 2nd Games - 11 Athletes
 - Debut - 30 athletes

Sport breakdowns

- Australian athletes come from AOC member sports Snow Australia, Biathlon Australia, Bobsleigh & Skeleton Australia, Ice Skating Australia, Luge Australia, Australian Ice Racing and the Olympic Winter Institute of Australia.
- Australia is set to compete in six of the eight sports: Skiing, Skating, Ski Mountaineering, Bobsleigh, Luge and Biathlon.
 - This is an equal record; our previous best was six of the seven sports.
- Australia will not be competing in these disciplines: Curling, Ice Hockey, Ski Jumping, Speed Skating and Nordic Combined.
- Australia will compete in the new sport of Ski Mountaineering
- Australia will compete in these new events:
 - Men’s & Women’s Dual Moguls
 - Ski Mountaineering - Men’s sprint, Women’s sprint and mixed team relay
- Australia will debut in these events:
 - Mixed Team Aerials
- Australia will compete in 15 disciplines: Aerials, Alpine Skiing, Biathlon, Bobsleigh, Cross-Country Skiing, Figure Skating, Freestyle Skiing, Luge, Moguls, Short Track Speed Skating, Skeleton, Ski Mountaineering, Snowboard Cross, Snowboard Halfpipe and Snowboard Slopestyle/Big Air.
 - 14 athletes is the largest cohort of Australians in Snowboard
 - 5 athletes is the equal largest cohort of Australians in Aerials
 - 7 athletes is the largest cohort of Australians in Cross Country

Number of athletes by sport	Milano 2026	Beijing 2022
Freestyle Skiing (Aerials, Moguls, Ski Cross, Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Big Air)	15	13
Snowboard (Snowboard Cross, Halfpipe, Slopestyle and Big Air)	14	11
Cross Country Skiing	7	6

Olympic Family Connections

- Lars Young Vik (Cross-Country Skiing): Uncle - Bjarte Engen Vik (Cross-Country Skiing - NOR) 1994 (silver & bronze) and 1998 (2 x gold).
- Darcie Morton (Biathlon): father – Cameron Morton (Biathlon 2006).
- Charlotte Wilson (Moguls) and Abbey Wilson (Snowboard Cross): sisters both in 2026

Fun Facts

- The first Australian athlete to compete will be Daisy Thomas in the Freeski Slopestyle event on Saturday 7 February, the day after the Opening Ceremony.
- The biggest contingent is Freestyle Skiing with 15 athletes.
- The biggest disciplines are Moguls and Cross Country Skiing with seven athletes, followed by Snowboard Cross with six athletes.
- Oldest Team Member – Laura Peel, 36
- Youngest Team Member – Indra Brown 16 (Ally Hickman is also 16)
- Comprises 33 (62.3%) women and 20 (37.7%) men – highest % of women in an Australian Olympic team history (Summer or Winter).
- 87% born in Australia, 13% born overseas.
- Birthdays during (or just either side) of the Games:
 - Josie Baff, 23rd on 25 January
 - Indra Brown, 16th on 29 January
 - Meila Stalker, 22nd on 4 February
 - Charlotte Wilson, 21st on 15 February
 - Phillip Bellingham, 35th on 24 February

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