ICE HOCKEY: History of Ice hockey at the Olympic Winter Games

Reference document

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INTRODUCTION
Before the Olympic Winter Games were established, ice hockey featured once on the Olympic Summer Games programme in Antwerp 1920 where seven teams participated. It has been on the Olympic Winter Games programme since the 1st Olympic Winter Games Chamonix 1924. Since Nagano 1998, a women’s tournament has also been included on the programme. Ice hockey was the only team sport at the Olympic Winter Games until the re-inclusion of curling in 1998.

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<td>In Antwerp, the first and only appearance of ice hockey at the Olympic Summer Games.</td>
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<td>Women’s inclusion 1992</td>
<td>At the 99th IOC Session held in July in Barcelona, a women’s tournament was added for the Olympic Winter Games Nagano 1998.</td>
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EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF EVENTS
1924-1994: 1 event (men’s)
1998-2018: 2 events (1 women’s, 1 men’s)

EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF TEAMS
1924: 8 teams (men’s)
1928: 11 teams (men’s)
1932: 4 teams (men’s)
1936: 15 teams (men’s)
1948-1952: 9 teams (men's)
1956-1960: 10 teams (men's)
1964: 16 teams (men's)
1968: 14 teams (men's)
1972: 11 teams (men's)
1976-1994: 12 teams (men's)
1998: 20 teams (6 women's, 14 men's)
2002: 22 teams (8 women's, 14 men's)
2006-2018: 20 teams (8 women's, 12 men's)

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## Events per Games Edition

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(Column Total = number of times on the programme)

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