

# IAAF/VTB Bank World Athletics Final 2009 • Biographical Summaries

## Women's 100 Metres

Sun/21:00

2009 World Best: 10.73 Shelly-Ann Fraser JAM Berlin 17 Aug 09  
10.72w Carmelita Jeter USA Eugene 26 Jun 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
<b>1,</b>	<b>161</b>		<b>SIMPSON Sherone</b> JAM	<b>25y</b> 31d 1984 <b>11.15</b>	<b>10.82 -06</b>
Shared 2008 Olympic 100m silver with Kerron Stewart ... 11.04w -09. 200 pb: 22.00 -06. 400 pb: 51.25 -08. 2 Pan-Am Junior 100 2003; 2 Central American junior 100 2003; 1 WJC 4x100 2002; 6 OLY 100 2004 (1 4x100); 6 WCH 100 2005 (2 4x100); 1 COM 200/4x100 2006; 1 WCP 100/4x100 2006; =2 OLY 100 2008 (6 200). Born-Manchester, Jamaica ... 11/14 wins at 100m and under 11 seconds seven times in 2006 ... coach-Stephen Francis In 2009: 3 Karlstad 100; 2 Wattenscheid 100; 1 Padua 100; 1 Rovereto 100; 8 Brussels Golden League 100 ... returning from knee surgery					
<b>2,</b>	<b>67</b>		<b>JONES-FERRETTE LaVerne</b> ISV	<b>27y</b> 362d 1981 <b>11.13</b>	<b>11.13 -09</b>
US Virgin Islands record holder at 60m, 100m & 200m and 400m ... 11.03w -09. 200 pb: 22.46 -09. 400 pb: 51.47 -07. qf OLY 100/200 2004/2008; sf WCH 200 2005 (qf 100); 7 WSG 200 2005; sf WIC 60 2006/2008; 2 Central American & Caribbean Games 100 2006 (4 200); 7 Pan-Am Games 100/400 2007; sf WCH 200 2007/2009; sf WIC 60 2008. Lives, St Croix (US Virgin Islands), trains in Houston ... her husband Stephen Ferrette was an international 400m runner ... coach-Allen Powell In 2009: 1 Hengelo 100/200; 2 Prague 200; 1 Bydgoszcz 100 (2 200); 6 Berlin Golden League 100; 1 Liège 100; 2 Heusden 100; 3 Réthymno 200; 3 London 100 (4 200); 5 Monaco 100; 5 Stockholm 200; 3sf WCH 200; 1 Tallinn 100; 3 Gateshead 200 (5 100); 1 Dubnica 200 (2 100)					
<b>3,</b>	<b>130</b>		<b>BAPTISTE Kelly-Ann</b> TRI	<b>22y</b> 334d 1986 <b>10.94</b>	<b>10.94 -09</b>
Trinidad record holder at 60m, 100m & 200m ... 10.91w -09. 200 pb: 22.60 -09. sf WJC 100 2002; 3 World Youth 100 2003; 4 WJC 200/4x100 2004; 1 Central American junior 200 2004; qf WCH 100 2005; qf OLY 100 2008; sf WCH 100/200 2009. 1 NCAA indoor 60 & outdoor 100 2008 ... coach-Dennis Shaver, whose group includes Richard Thompson (2 OLY 100 2008) ... she is a Tobagonian (from Tobago rather than Trinidad) ... student of psychology at Louisiana State University In 2009: 4 New York 100; 7 Berlin Golden League 100; 1 Trinidad 100; 2 Oslo Golden League 100; 5 Rome Golden League 100; 7 Paris Golden League 100; 4 London 100; 5sf WCH 100 (4sf 200); 7 Zurich Golden League 100; 2 Rovereto 100; 6 Brussels Golden League 100					
<b>4,</b>	<b>143</b>		<b>JETER Carmelita</b> USA	<b>29y</b> 293d 1979 <b>10.83</b>	<b>10.83 -09</b>
(Jeter is pronounced "Jetter") ... twice world bronze medallist at 100m 10.72w -09 (only Flo-Jo & Marion Jones ever faster). 200 pb: 22.35w, 22.47 -08 (22.59 -09). 3 WCH 100 2007, also ran heat of 4x100 so awarded gold medal won by USA in final. Coach (since November 2008)-John Smith In 2009: 1 Carson 100; 1 New York 100; 1 Eugene 100; 1 US Champs 100; 2 Lausanne 100; 4 Rome Golden League 100; 2 Athens 100; 1 Réthymno 100; 1 London 100/4x100; 1 Cottbus 4x100 (anchored team to 41.58, the world's fastest since 1997); 3 WCH 100 (did not get to run in 4x100 as Muna Lee pulled up injured on the third leg); 1 Zurich Golden League 100 (ended Kerron Stewart's Jackpot chances); 1 Gateshead 100; 1 Brussels Golden League 100					
<b>5,</b>	<b>73</b>		<b>FRASER Shelly-Ann</b> JAM	<b>22y</b> 260d 1986 <b>10.73</b>	<b>10.73 -09</b>
2008 Olympic Champion at 100m ... 2009 World Champion at 100m ... Jamaican record holder at 100m, supplanting Merlene Ottey ... trademark white headband (she has four of them) 200 pb: 22.15 -08 (22.58 -09). 400 pb: 54.99 -09. 1 OLY 100 2008. Ran in heat of 2007 World 4x100, so awarded a silver medal won by Jamaica in the final ... student of Child Care & Development at Kingston University of Technology ... her mother Maxine was a sprinter and long jumper ... coach (since 2006)-Stephen Francis In 2009: 1 Jamaican 100 (2 200); 1 Lausanne 100; 2 Rome Golden League 100; 1 Monaco 100; 1 WCH 100/4x100; 4 Zurich Golden League; 2 Brussels Golden League 100; 1 Rieti 100; Later in September she will organise a sale of kit items donated by herself and other members of the Jamaican squad, with money raised going to a children's home in Kingston					
<b>6,</b>	<b>77</b>		<b>STEWART Kerron</b> JAM	<b>25y</b> 149d 1984 <b>10.75</b>	<b>10.75 -09</b>
World & Olympic silvers at 100m ... winner of multiple US Collegiate titles, representing Auburn University 200 pb: 21.99 -08 (22.62 -09). 400 pb: 52.08 -08. 2 World Youth 100 2001; 4 WJC 100 2002; 7 WCH 100 2007 (2 4x100); =2 OLY 100 2008 (3 200); 2 WCH 100 2009 (1 4x100). 1 NCAA indoor 60/200 2007; 1 NCAA 200 2007 (2 100/200 2006). Her first sport was football, her high school coach told her to choose between that an athletics when she was 15 ... based-Auburn, coach-Henry Rolle In 2009: 1 Doha 100; 2 Eugene 100; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois 100; 1 Berlin Golden League 100; 2 Jamaican 100; 1 Oslo Golden League 100; 1 Lausanne 200; 1 Rome Golden League 100; 1 Paris Golden League 100; 3 Stockholm 200; 2 WCH 100 (10.75, the fastest ever non-winning time); 1 WCH 4x100; 2 Zurich Golden League 100; 3 Brussels Golden League 100; 1 Rieti 200					
<b>7,</b>	<b>12</b>		<b>FERGUSON MCKENZIE Debbie</b> BAH	<b>33y</b> 240d 1976 <b>10.97</b>	<b>10.91 -02</b>
Winner of seven Olympic or World Championship medals (including the 2001 World 200m title) across a span of 11 years 200 pb: 22.19 -99 (22.23 -09). 150 pb: 16.54 -09. 400 pb: 53.30 -01 (53.93 -09) In Olympic finals: 100m: 2000-8; 2004-7; 2008-7; 200m: 2000-5; 2004-3; 2008-7. In World finals: 100: 2001-6, 2009-6; 200: 99-5, 2001-1, 2009-3. In Relays: 1 OLY 2000 (96-silver, 2004-4); 1 WCH 99 (2009-2) 1 Pan-Am Games 200 99; 1 COM 100/200/4x100 2002. Appointed a UN Ambassador for Food & Agriculture in October 2002 ... married Adrian McKenzie on December 23, 2005 ... coach-Lance Braumann (so she now trains with Veronica Campbell) In 2009: 5 Berlin Golden League 100; 1 Bahamas 100/200; 3 Lausanne 100; 6 Rome Golden League 100; 3 Athens 100; 1 Réthymno 200; 1 London 200; 2 Monaco 100; 2 Stockholm 200; 2 WCH 4x100 (3 200, 6 100); 3 Zurich Golden League 100; 2 Gateshead 100; 7 Brussels Golden League 100					
<b>8,</b>	<b>13</b>		<b>STURRUP Chandra</b> BAH	<b>38y</b> 1d 1971 <b>10.99</b>	<b>10.84 -05</b>
Ran second leg of gold-medal winning 4x100m teams in Seville 1999 & Sydney 2000, then a further relay medal in 2009 at age 37 200 pb: 22.33 -96 (23.54 -09). LJ pb: 6.80w -95. 4 OLY 100 96 (6 200); 1 Central American & Caribbean 100 98/2008; 2 WCP 100 98; 1 COM 100 98; 1 Pan-Am Games 100 99; 1 WCH 4x100 99; 6 OLY 100 2000 (qf 200); 1 OLY 4x100 2000; 1 WIC 60 2001 (97-2, 2003-sf); 3 WCH 100 2001/2003 (99-7, 2005-4, 2007-sf); 1 COM 4x100 2002; qf OLY 100 2004 (4 4x100); 3 Pan-Am Games 100 2007; sf OLY 100 2008; 7 WCH 100 2009 (2 4x100) ... self-coached In 2009: 3 Hengelo 100; 4 Berlin Golden League 100; 2 Bahamas 100; 3 Oslo Golden League 100; 4 Lausanne 100; 3 Rome Golden League 100 (10.99, though note that Merlene Ottey clocked 10.83 at the same age in 1997); 4 Athens 100; 2 Paris Golden League 100; 2 London 100; 4 Monaco 100; 7 WCH 100 (2 4x100); 5 Zurich Golden League 100; 3 Gateshead 100; 5 Brussels Golden League 100					

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## Women's 400 Metres

Sun/19:40

2009 World Best: 48.83 Sanya Richards USA Brussels 4 Sep 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	140		<b>HARGROVE Monica</b> USA	<b>26y</b> 257d 1982 <b>50.39</b>	<b>50.39 -09</b>
<p>He had not broken 51 seconds prior to Oslo 2009, but now she's down to 50.39 2 WIC 4x400 2006. Eldest of three sisters ... Psychology Graduate from Georgetown University, Washington DC ... fiancé-Wallace Spearmon ... coach-Lonnie Greene In 2009: 3 Florida Relays 200; 2 Dakar; 4 Doha; 4 New York; 2 Toronto; 6 US Champs; 5 Oslo Golden League; 5 Lausanne 200; 8 Rome Golden League; 2 Athens; 6 Paris Golden League; 3 London; 3 Stockholm; 1 Tallinn; 4 Zagreb; 9 Brussels Golden League; 1 Paris "DécaNation"</p>					
2,	53		<b>OHURUOGU Christine</b> GBR	<b>25y</b> 118d 1984 <b>50.21</b>	<b>49.61 -08</b>
<p>Reigning Olympic &amp; Commonwealth Champion ... former World Champion 100 pb: 11.35 -08. 200 pb: 22.85 -09. 3 EJC 400/4x400 2003; sf OLY 2004; 2 under-23 ECH 2005; sf WCH 2005 (3 4x400); 1 COM 2006; 1 WCH 2007 (3 4x400); 2 ECP 200 2008; 1 OLY 2008; 3 ETCh 200 2009; 5 WCH 2009. 1 AAA 2004 &amp; UK 2009. Played for Essex and England in Netball, but switched to athletics in 2003 ... studied Linguistics at University College London ... born-Forest Gate, lives-Stratford ... coaches-Lloyd Cowan &amp; Christine Bomaker (Bloomfield) ... returned from a year's suspension to August 5, 2007, after having missed three out of competition doping tests in 2006 In 2009: 1 Birmingham indoor 200; 1 Azusa 100/200; 1 Norwalk 100/200; 2 Manchester "Great City Games" 150 (UK best 17.10); 2 Rabat 200; 2 Hengelo 200; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 3 ETCh 200; 6 Oslo Golden League; 1 UK Champs; 5 WCH (4 4x400); 4 Zurich Golden League; 1 Gateshead; 2 Brussels Golden League</p>					
3,	17		<b>MONTSHO Amantle</b> BOT	<b>26y</b> 71d 1983 <b>49.89</b>	<b>49.83 -08</b>
<p>2008 Olympic finalist ... 2009 World finalist ... 200 pb: 23.02 -08 (23.64 -09). sf COM 2006; 1 African Games 2007 (5 200); sf WIC 2008; 1 African Champs 2008 (2006-2); 8 OLY 2008 (2004-ht); 8 WCH 2009 (2005/2007-sf). Lost all her possessions when fire gutted her home in September 2005 ... based-Dakar ... coach-Anthony Koff In 2009: 1 Dakar; 2 Doha; 1 Southern Africa 200/400; 4 Eugene; 2 Berlin Golden League; 3 Oslo Golden League; 6 Rome Golden League; 3 Paris Golden League; 6 Barcelona 200; 8 WCH; 8 Zurich Golden League</p>					
4,	79		<b>WILLIAMS Shericka</b> JAM	<b>23y</b> 361d 1985 <b>49.32</b>	<b>49.32 -09</b>
<p>2008 Olympic silver ... 2009 World silver ... three World relay silvers 200 pb: 22.50 -08 (22.69 -09). 2 WCH 4x400 2005/2007 (sf individually both times); 5 COM 2006; 2 OLY 2008 (3 4x400); 2 WCH 2009 (2 4x400). 1 Jamaican 2005. Coach-Stephen Francis In 2009: 3 Doha; 2 New York; 2 Eugene; 2 Jamaican; 2 Oslo Golden League; 2 Lausanne 200; 2 Rome Golden League; 1 Stockholm; 2 WCH (2 4x400); 3 Zurich Golden League; 3 Zagreb; 3 Brussels Golden League; 2 Rieti 200</p>					
5,	80		<b>WILLIAMS-MILLS Novlene</b> JAM	<b>27y</b> 140d 1982 <b>49.77</b>	<b>49.53 -06</b>
<p>2007 World bronze after leading for most of the race ... three successive World relay silvers 6 Pan-Am Games 2003; sf OLY 2004/2008 (3 4x400 2004/2008); 2 WCH 4x400 2005; 5 WIC 2005; 3 COM 2006; 3 WCH 2007 (2 4x400); 4 WCH 2009 (2 4x400). 1 Jamaican 2006/2007/2009. Studied Recreation at the University of Florida ... not related to Shericka Williams, but Novlene's younger sister Clora Williams won the US Collegiate 400m title in 2006 ... coach-Brooks Johnson In 2009: 1 Kingston (beat Sanya Richards); 2 Carson; 3 New York; 5 Eugene; 1 Jamaican; 4 Rome Golden League; 1 Athens; 2 Paris Golden League; 4 Stockholm; 4 WCH (2 4x400); 5 Zurich Golden League; 2 Zagreb; 7 Brussels Golden League</p>					
6,	149		<b>RICHARDS Sanya</b> USA	<b>24y</b> 199d 1985 <b>48.83</b>	<b>48.70 -06</b>
<p>2009 World Champion ... now she is the world's most prolific sub-50 second woman 400m runner 200 pb: 22.17 -06 (23.03 -09). 2 WJC 400 2002 (3 200, 1 4x400); 1 WCH 4x400 2003 (sf individual); 6 OLY 400 2004 (1 4x400); 2 WCH 400 2005; 1 WCP 200/400 2006; 5 WCH 200 2007 (1 4x400); 3 OLY 400 2008 (1 4x400); 1 WCH 400/4x400 2009. Born in Kingston, Jamaica but left that country at age 12 and granted US citizenship on May 20, 2002 ... coach-Clyde Hart In 2009: 2 Kingston 400; 2 Carson 200; 1 Eugene 400; 1 Berlin Golden League 400; 1 US Champs; 1 Oslo Golden League; 1 Rome Golden League; 1 Paris Golden League; 1 WCH; 1 WCH 4x400 (48.44 split, her fastest ever run); 1 Zurich Golden League (48.94); 1 Brussels Golden League (48.83, a record 40th time under 50 seconds)</p>					
7,	54		<b>SANDERS Nicola</b> GBR	<b>27y</b> 82d 1982 <b>50.45</b>	<b>49.65 -07</b>
<p>2007 World silver &amp; relay bronze with 48.76 split ... 2007 European Indoor Champion 400H pb: 55.32 -06. 4 World Youth 400H 99; 3 EJC 400H 99; ht WJC 400H 2000; dq sf WCH 400H 2005 (3 4x400); 6 WSG 400H 2005; 4 COM 400H 2006; 6 ECH 2006; 2 WCH 2007 (3 4x400); 1 ECP 2008 (2006-2); sf OLY 2008 (4 4x400); sf WCH 2009 (4 4x400). 1 AAA 2006 &amp; indoor 2006. 1 UK indoor &amp; out 2007 ... coach-Tony Lester In 2009: 1 Mt. SAC Relays 800 'B' (pb 2:03.41); 7 Doha; 2 Rehlingen; 5 Geneva 200; 1 Réthymno; 1 London; 1 Stockholm 'B'; 4sf WCH (4 4x400); 6 Zurich Golden League; 8 Brussels Golden League</p>					
8,	158		<b>FIROVA Tatyana</b> RUS	<b>26y</b> 338d 1982 <b>50.59</b>	<b>50.08 -06</b>
<p>2008 Olympic relay silver with 49.20 split on third leg to put Russia in front, temporarily 1 EJC 99; 1 ECP 4x400 2003; 3 under-23 ECH 2003 (1 4x400); 1 WSG 2003; ht OLY 4x400 2004 (awarded silver); ht WCH 4x400 2005 (awarded gold); ht ECH 4x400 2006 (awarded gold); 6 OLY 2008 (2 4x400); 3 WCH 4x400 2009 ... coach-Aleksandr Abramov In 2009: 3 Kalamáta; 3 Haniá; 6 Berlin Golden League; 1 ETCh 4x400; 1 Zhukovskiy 200/400; 5 Russian; 3 WCH 4x400; 1 Zagreb; 4 Brussels Golden League</p>					

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## Women's 800 Metres

Sun/19:05

2009 World Best: 1:55.45 Caster Semenya RSA Berlin 19 Aug 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
 2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
 3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
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**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	162		<b>ZBROZHEK Oksana</b> RUS	31y 244d 1978 <b>1:59.13</b>	<b>1:58.06 -04</b>
Former European Indoor Champion at 800m ... 1500 pb: 4:00.86 -09. sf WJC 800 96; ht EIC 1500 2005; 1 EIC 800 2007 (2009-2); 3 ECP 800 2007; ht WCH 1500 2009. 1 Russian indoor 800 2005/2007. Did not compete in 2008 due to illness ... studied Journalism at the University of St. Petersburg ... Coaches-Iakov Yelianov & Svetlana Pleskach-Styrkina In 2009: 2 Russian indoor 800/1500; 2 EIC 800; 1 Lausanne 800; 3 Rome Golden League 1500 (outdoor pb down from 4:08.16 to 4:01.48); 2 Athens 1500; 3 Paris Golden League 800; 3 Russian 1500; 9ht WCH 1500; 6 Zagreb 800; 7 Brussels Golden League 800					
2,	55		<b>SIMPSON Jemma</b> GBR	25y 215d 1984 <b>1:59.07</b>	<b>1:59.07 -09</b>
2003 European Junior bronze ... 2005 European under-23 silver ... 1500 pb: 4:10.08 -07 (4:12.88 -09). 1 Commonwealth Youth 2000; 8 World Youth 2001; 4 WJC 2002; 3 EJC 2003; 2 under-23 ECH 2005; 6 COM 2006; sf ECH 2006; sf WCH 2007/2009; ht WIC 1500 2008; ht OLY 2008. 1 UK 2007/2009 & indoor 1500 2008. in 2005 she appeared as an extra in the film "The Da Vinci Code" and while in Australia in 2006 also appeared in a cafe scene in an episode of the TV soap opera "Neighbours" ... born-Plymouth ... coach-Mark Rowland (she's spent four months in Eugene in 2009 training with him there) In 2009: 1 Tempe 1500; 1 Eugene 1500 (May 9); 2 Carson; 1 Beaverton; 3 Eugene (Jun 7); 7 Ostrava; 2 Madrid; 1 UK Champs; 1 London; 4 Monaco; 5sf WCH; paced Zurich Golden League 1500; 2 Gateshead; 2 Brussels Golden League					
3,	154		<b>WILLARD Anna</b> USA	25y 165d 1984 <b>1:58.80</b>	<b>1:58.80 -09</b>
2008 Olympic Steeplechase finalist ... big improvement at middle distances in 2009 (from 2:02.72/4:06.26 to 1:58.80/3:59.38) 1500 pb: 3:59.38 -09. 3000SC pb: 9:22.76 -08 (9:26.85 -09). 1 North, Central American & Caribbean under-23 3000SC 2006; ht WCH 3000SC 2007; 10 OLY 3000SC 2008; 6 WCH 1500 2009. 1 NCAA 3000SC 2007; 1 US 3000SC 2008. Graduate of Sports Management from the University of Michigan ... has a passion for cooking, she says her favourite dish is Gnocchi (Italian dumplings) ... coach-Terence Mahon (same as marathoner Deena Kastor), she's based at-Mammoth Lakes, California (7200 ft altitude) In 2009: 1 US indoor 1500; 1 Boston Mile; 1 Stanford 1500; 1 Carson 3000SC; 1 New York 800; 4 Eugene 1500; 2 US Champs 3000SC (3 1500); 1 Paris Golden League 800; 1 London 1500; 4 Monaco 1500; 6 WCH 1500; 2 Zurich Golden League 1500 (pb 3:59.38); 1 Brussels Golden League 800					
4,	52		<b>MEADOWS Jenny</b> GBR	28y 149d 1981 <b>1:57.93</b>	<b>1:57.93 -09</b>
2009 World bronze ... 400 pb: 52.50 -05 (54.01 -09). 1500 pb: 4:19.36 -06. 1 WJC 4x400 2000; 6 under-23 ECH 400 2001 (2003-7); 2 WSG 4x400 2001; dnf ht EIC 2002 (shoe dislodged); ht COM 4x400 2002 (awarded silver medal won by England in final); 4 WIC 4x400 2003 (2006 -6); 6 WCH 4x400 2003; 5 WIC 2008; sf OLY 2008; 3 WCH 2009 (2007-sf); 4 EIC 2009 (2007-5). 1 AAA indoor 2002/2006 (1 UK indoor 2008). Married to coach/partner Trevor on September 9, 2006 In 2009: 1 UK indoor; 4 EIC; 1 Rabat; 3 Hengelo; 1 Prague; 2 Cardiff "Super-8" 400; 3 Ostrava; 3 ETCh 4x400 (51.74 split); 8 Madrid; 2 UK Champs; 2 London; 3 Monaco; 3 WCH; 3 Gateshead					
5,	121		<b>SAVINOVA Mariya</b> RUS	24y 31d 1985 <b>1:57.90</b>	<b>1:57.90 -09</b>
2009 European Indoor Champion ... 1500 pb: 4:15.32 -07. ht WIC 2008; 1 EIC 2009; 5 WCH 2009. 1 Moscow 4x800 2008 (Ran third leg for team which broke world indoor record). 1 Russian indoors & out 2009. Coach-Vladimir Kazarin In 2009: 1 Russian indoor; 1 EIC; 1 Moscow Open; 1 Zhukovskiy; 1 Russian; 2 Monaco; 5 WCH; 1 Zagreb; 3 Brussels Golden League					
6,	153		<b>VESSEY Maggie</b> USA	27y 264d 1981 <b>1:57.84</b>	<b>1:57.84 -09</b>
She ran 1:57.84 in Monaco 2009 but unusually has not otherwise broken two minutes sf WCH 2009. 2 NCAA 2005; 5 US Olympic Trials 2008. Coach-Greg Brock ... lives-Santa Cruz Several near-misses at breaking the World Championship qualifying standard of 2:00.0, then she improved all the way to 1:57.84 for victory in Monaco 2009 In 2009: 1 Stanford; 3 Mt. SAC Relays 'B'; 1 Berkeley; 3 Stanford; 1 San Mateo CA 400; 4 New York; 1 Eugene; 4 US Champs (misjudged pace, finished with 28.4 last 200m but too far back; nevertheless she made the US team for Berlin because the woman who was third could not get the qualifying standard); 1 Rome Golden League; 1 Ghent; 8 London; 1 Monaco; 7sf WCH; 4 Gateshead; 9 Brussels Golden League; 1 Paris "DécaNation"					
7,	34		<b>MARTÍNEZ Mayte</b> ESP	33y 118d 1976 <b>1:58.81</b>	<b>1:57.62 -07</b>
2007 World 800m bronze after being last at the bell (she was Spain's only medallist in Osaka outside the walks) 1500 pb: 4:05.05 -05 (4:14.02 -09). 400 pb: 53.67 -03. 6 EJC 95; sf OLY 2000/2004; 2 ECH 2002 (2006-7); 2 WCP 2002; 3 WIC 2003 (2001-ht, 2004-sf, 2008-4); 3 ECP 2003/2006; 2 EIC 2005; 5 EIC 1500 2007; 3 WCH 2007 (2001-7, 2005-5, 2009-7). 1 Spanish 2000-2002/2004 -2009 (1 indoor 2001-2008) ... foot surgery in 2008 ... coach/husband-Juan Carlos Granado In 2009: 1 Burgos Mile; 3 Huelva; 7 Málaga 1500; 3 Lausanne; 3 Rome Golden League; 14 Athens 1500; 1 Zaragoza; 6 London; 1 Spanish (9th time); 7 WCH; 4 Zagreb; 5 Brussels Golden League					
8,	69		<b>CUSMA Elisa</b> ITA	28y 51d 1981 <b>1:58.81</b>	<b>1:58.63 -07</b>
New Mediterranean Games Champion at both 800 & 1500m ... 1500 pb: 4:04.98 -09. ht WIC 800 2006; sf ECH 800 2006; sf EIC 800 2007; dnf ECP 800 2008; sf OLY 800 2008; 3 ETCh 1500 2009 (7 800); 1 Mediterranean Games 800/1500 2009; 6 WCH 2009 (2005-ht, 2007-sf). 1 Italian 800 2005/2006/2007/2008/2009 (1 indoor 1500 2006/2009 & 800 2007/2008/2009). Father Lucio was a European and Italian lightweight boxing champion in 1983/1984 ... full name Elisa Cusma Piccione (Piccione is the Italian word for a pigeon) ... coach-Claudio Guizzardi In 2009: 1 Italian indoor 800/1500; 3 EIC 800; 6 Oderzo; 1 Italian Clubs 800/1500; 1 European Clubs Cup 1500 (2 800); 1 Turin 800; 1 Thessaloníki 800; 3 ETCh 1500 (7 800); 1 Mediterranean Games 800/1500; 2 Rome Golden League 800; 7 Athens 1500 (pb down from 4:08.72 to 4:04.98); 2 Paris Golden League 800; 1 Italian 800; 6 WCH 800; 1 Padua 800; 2 Rovereto 800; 4 Brussels Golden League 800; dnf Rieti 1500					

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## Women's 3000 Metres

Sun/20:40

2009 World Best 8:35.36 Natalia Rodríguez ESP Huelva 10 Jun 09

### AWARDS

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1,	43		<b>GOSHU Frehiwat</b> ETH	<b>19y</b> 77d 1990 <b>8:50.38</b>	<b>8:50.38 -09</b>
<p>Third in 2008 World Junior 3000m, still a junior in 2009 ... 5000 pb: 15:34.20 -07. 3000 pb: 9:03.76 -08. 4 African junior 1500 2007; 3 WJC 3000 2008. At WXC: 2009-4J In 2009: 6 Ethiopian junior XC; 4 WXC-j; 1 Catalan 5000; 8 Huelva 3000; 10 Casablanca 1500; 4 Málaga 5000; 9 Madrid 1500; 2 Zaragoza 3000; 10 Barcelona 1500; 8 Rieti 3000</p>					
2,	51		<b>KENNEY Laura</b> GBR	<b>24y</b> 78d 1985 <b>8:51.33</b>	<b>8:51.33 -09</b>
<p>2007 European under-23 Champion at 5000m ... 1500 pb: 4:12.10 -08. 5000 pb: 15:26.96 -08 (15:35.76 -09). 4 EJC 3000 2003; 6 WJC 3000 2004; 1 under-23 ECH 5000 2007; 7 ETCh 5000 2009. At WXC: 2008-38. At EXC: 2003-29J, 2006-8u23, 2008-13. 1 English Schools 3000 2003. Plays piano and trombone ... Father-Paul was 2nd in 1974 English under-20 XC behind Steve Ovett ... coach-George Gandy In 2009: 1 Stretford 1500; 1 Loughborough "International" 3000; 5 Belgrade 5000; 1 Loughborough v Combined Services v Achilles; 4 Watford BMC 1500; 7 ETCh 5000; 5 Málaga 5000; 6 UK Champs 1500; 7 London 5000; 4 Gateshead 3000; 9 Rieti 3000</p>					
3,	63		<b>KEFALÁ Konstadína</b> GRE	<b>32y</b> 35d 1977 -	<b>9:41.26 -05</b>
<p>2009 Balkan Cross Country Champion ... 5000 pb: 16:47.87 -09. 3000SC pb: 9:55.96 -08. 8 ECP 3000SC 2004. 1 Greek 3000SC 2004. At WXC: 2008-67, 2009-61. Born-Las Vegas ... Graduate of Communications from University of Southern California ... coach-Dimitrios Theodoridis In 2009: 1 Balkan XC; 61 WXC; 4 Greek 5000</p>					
4,	81		<b>CHENONGE Ines</b> KEN	<b>27y</b> 224d 1982 <b>8:40.60</b>	<b>8:39.29 -06</b>
<p>Full name-Ines Chepkesis Chenonge 2002 Commonwealth bronze at 5000m 1500 pb: 4:08.61 -09. 5000 pb: 14:41.62 -09. 10,000 pb: 33:00.20 -99. 3 COM 5000 2002 (2006-6); 20 World Half Mar 2002. At WXC: 2009 -10. Born-Trans Zoia ... one of nine children, including brother Hillary Chenonge who won the 2002 World Junior 5000m title In 2009: 4 Kenyan Armed Forces XC; 2 Kenyan XC; 10 WXC; 1 Heillecourt 4.7K; 1 Puy-en-Velay 15K; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois 3000; 6 Ostrava 5000; 3 Kenyan 1500; 3 Lille 3000; 7 Oslo Golden League 5000; 6 WCH 5000; 9 Brussels Golden League 2000</p>					
5,	40		<b>DEFAR Meseret</b> ETH	<b>25y</b> 298d 1983 <b>8:26.99i</b>	<b>8:24.51 -07</b>
<p>2004 Olympic Champion at 5000m ... 2007 World Champion at 5000m ... three times World Indoor Champion at 3000m 8:23.72i -07. 10,000 pb: 29:59.20 -09. 5000 pb: 14:12.88 -08 (14:24.37i, 14:36.38 -09). 2 World Youth 3000 99; 2 WJC 5000 2000; 1 WJC 3000/5000 2002; 1 African Games 5000 2003/2007; 2 Afro-Asian 5000 2003; 1 WIC 3000 2004/2006/2008 (2003-3); 1 OLY 5000 2004 (2008 -3); 1 African Champs 5000 2006 (2000-2); 1 WCP 5000 2006; 1 WCH 5000 2007 (2005-2, 2003-ht, 2009-3); 5 WCH 10,000 2009. At WXC: 2002-13J. 1 Ethiopian 3000 2003. Defar means "bold" in Amharic ... husband-former soccer player Teodros Hailu In 2009: 1 Stockholm indoor 5000; 1 Stockholm 10,000 (31:07.34, but not good enough for Berlin selection); 1 Oslo Golden League 5000; 1 UK Champs 10,000 (29:59.20 in wind and rain); 5 WCH 10,000; 3 WCH 5000 (5 10,000)</p>					
6,	66		<b>PAPP Krisztina</b> HUN	<b>26y</b> 270d 1982 <b>8:53.60</b>	<b>8:44.49 -06</b>
<p>2009 World finalist at 5000m ... 5000 pb: 15:08.65 -05 (15:19.90 -09). 1500 pb: 4:08.94 -08 (4:16.25 -09). 3000 pb: 8:44.49 -06 (8:53.60 -09). 4 EJC 3000 2001; ht WJC 1500 2000; 12 EIC 3000 2002; 1 under-23 ECH 10,000 2003 (4 5000); ht OLY 5000 2004/2008; 3 ECP 10,000 2006; 8 ECH 5000 2006; 6 WCP 3000 2006; 20 World Half Mar 2007; 14 WCH 5000 2009. At EXC: 99-55J, 2000-32J, 2001-30J, 2004-22, 2005-45. 1 Hungarian 1500 2006/2009, 5000 2004/2005 &amp; 10,000 2005/2006. Coach-Ferenc Csoma In 2009: 1 Hungarian indoor 1500; 1 Hungarian XC; 7 Prague Half Mar; 3 Vienna 5K; 13 Ostrava 5000; 3 ETCh 1st League 3000 (8 1500); 2 Brcko 10K; 2 Velenje 3000; 1 Zaragoza 3000; 1 Barcelona 5000; 1 Hungarian 1500; 14 WCH 5000</p>					
7,	84		<b>KIBET Sylvia</b> KEN	<b>25y</b> 168d 1984 <b>8:43.93</b>	<b>8:40.09 -06</b>
<p>Full name-Sylvia Jebiwott Kibet 2009 World 5000m silver, previously fourth in Beijing &amp; Osaka 5000s 5000 pb: 14:37.77 -09. 10,000 pb: 31:39.34 -06. Half Mar pb: 71:36 -06. 3 African Champs 5000 2006; 3 African Games 5000 2007; 4 WIC 3000 2008; 4 OLY 5000 2008; 2 WCH 5000 2009 (2007-4) In 2009: 8 Kenyan Police XC; 8 Kenyan XC; 2 Nice Half Mar; 3 Heillecourt 4.7K; 1 Marseille 10K; 4 Utrecht 10,000; 2 Kenyan 1500; 4 Oslo Golden League 5000; 2 WCH 5000; 1 Rieti 3000</p>					
8,	37		<b>AYALEW Wude</b> ETH	<b>22y</b> 71d 1987 <b>8:37.12</b>	<b>8:35.50 -08</b>
<p>Full name-Wude Ayalew Yimer ... Ayelew pronounced "A-yall-yew" 2009 World 10,000m bronze 10,000 pb: 30:11.87 -09. 5000 pb: 14:38.44 -09. 5 WJC 5000 2006; 3 African Champs 10,000 2008; 3 WCH 10,000 2009. At WXC: 2006-5 long, 2007-10, 2009-5. 1 Great Ethiopian Run 2008; 1 Ethiopian XC 2009. Ran second stage for Ethiopian team which won 2008 Yokohama Ekiden, clocking 31:41 for 10K (the fastest stage) In 2009: 1 Ethiopian XC; 5 WXC; 7 Heillecourt 4.7K; 3 Utrecht 10,000; 4 Ostrava 5000; 5 Oslo Golden League 5000; 3 WCH 10,000 (though she says she did not realise she had won a medal in the confusion at the finish); 1 Zagreb 3000; 4 Rieti 3000</p>					
9,	108		<b>AGAFONOVA Kseniya</b> RUS	<b>26y</b> 80d 1983 <b>8:47.82</b>	<b>8:47.82 -09</b>
<p>5000 pb: 15:06.98 -09. 10,000 pb: 31:10.68 -09. 1 WSG 10,000 2007 In 2009: 1 Fukuoka XC; 2 Vladimir Kuts Memorial 5000; 1 Moscow City Champs; 2 Russian 5000 (3 10,000); 15 WCH 10,000; 5 Zagreb 3000; 10 Rieti 3000</p>					

- 10, 82 **CHERUIYOT Vivian** KEN **26y** 2d 1983 **8:53.04** **8:28.66 -07**  
2009 World Champion at 5000m ... third-fastest woman of all-time at 5000m after Dibaba & Defar  
8:30.53i -09. 5000 pb: 14:22.51 -07 (14:37.01 -09). 1500 pb: 4:06.65 -07. 3 World Youth 3000 99; 3 African Games 5000 99; 3 WJC 5000 2002; 2 WCH 5000 2007; 5 OLY 5000 2008 (2000-14). At WXC: 98-5J, 99-2J, 2000-1J, 2001-4J, 2002-3J, 2004-8 short, 2006-8 short, 2007-8. 1 Kenyan junior 99/2000. 1.53/39kg  
In 2009: 1 Kenyan Police XC; 1 Valencia indoor 3000; 1 Birmingham indoor 3000 (set Commonwealth record 8:30.53); 1 "World's Best" San Juan 10K (she went out hard and defeated strong field including Lornah Kiplagat & Shalane Flanagan); 2 Doha 1500; 1 Manchester 10K; 5 New York; 1 Eugene 2000 (set African record 5:31.52); 3 Ostrava 5000; 1 Kenyan 1500; 2 Oslo Golden League 5000; 1 Kenyan World Trials 5000; 1 WCH 5000 (58.62 last lap); 1 Gateshead 3000; 2 Brussels Golden League 2000; 1 Hyde Park 5K
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- 11, 94 **CHOJECKA Lidia** POL **32y** 231d 1977 **8:41.83** **8:31.69 -02**  
Twice Olympic finalist at 1500m: fifth in Sydney & sixth in Athens  
5000 pb: 15:04.88 -02. 1500 pb: 3:59.22 -00 (4:04.83 -09). 800 pb: 1:59.97 -99 (2:03.54 -09). 1 EJC 1500 95; 5 WJC 1500 96 (94-7); 3 WIC 1500 97/99 (2003-ht); 3 WSG 1500 97; 1 under-23 ECH 1500 99 (97-2); 5 OLY 1500 2000 (2004-6, 2008-ht); 5 WCH 1500 2001 (99-9, 2007-10, 2009-7); 2 ECP 1500 2002; 1 EIC 3000 2005/2007 (2000-2); 3 WIC 3000 2006; 5 ECH 1500 2006 (2002-9, 98-6); 2 WCP 3000 2006; 1 EIC 1500 2007 (98-2, 2009-7); 1 ECP 3000 2008 (99/2004/2007-2, 2002-3); 6 ETCh 1500 2009. At EXC: 2002-13. 1 Polish 1500 2002 & 10,000 2007 ... her partner/coach Jean-Marc Leandro is Gabon record holder at 1500m, 3000m & Marathon  
In 2009: 1 Polish indoor 1500 (3 800); 7 EIC 1500; 14 Hengelo 1500; 5 Warsaw 1500; 8 Bydgoszcz 800; 6 ETCh 1500; 3 Tomblaine 1500; 8 Lausanne 1500; 8 Rome Golden League 1500; 12 Monaco 1500; 4 Polish 800; 7 WCH 1500; 9 Zurich Golden League 1500; 3 Zagreb 3000; 4 Brussels Golden League 2000 (set Polish record)

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## Women's 400 Metres Hurdles

Sun/18:25

2009 World Best: 52.42 Melaine Walker JAM Berlin 20 Aug 09

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### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
 2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
 3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
 4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	96		<b>JESIEN Anna</b> POL	<b>30y</b> 277d 1978 <b>54.31</b>	<b>53.86 -07</b>
(Jesein pronounced "Yeshen") ... (Née Olichwierczuk) ... 2007 World bronze ... Polish record holder 400 pb: 51.92 -06. 3 ECH 400H/4x400 2002; 1 ECP 2005 (99-7, 2002-2, 2006-5, 2008-2); 6 ECH 2006 (3 4x400); 3 WCP 2006; 3 WCH 2007 (2001/2009-sf, 2003-ht, 2005-4); 5 OLY 2008 (2000/2004-ht); 1 ETCh 2009. 1 Polish 99/2000/2002/2005/2009 (1 400 2006). "Jesien" means "autumn" in Polish ... coach/husband Pawel Jesien ran 51.08 for 400m hurdles in 2000 In 2009: 1 Rabat; 1 Biala Podlaska; 2 Warsaw; 2 Bydgoszcz; 1 ETCh; 3 Lausanne; 1 Rome Golden League; 1 Paris Golden League; 1 Barcelona; 8 Monaco; 1 Polish; 4sf WCH; 4 Zagreb					
2,	152		<b>TOSTA Sheena</b> USA	<b>26y</b> 347d 1982 <b>54.19</b>	<b>52.95 -04</b>
(Née Johnson) ... 2008 Olympic silver after placing fourth in 2004... 2007 Pan-American Champion 100H pb: 12.75 -04 (13.33 -09). ht WJC 98; 1 Pan-Am Games 2007; sf WCH 2007/2009; 2 OLY 2008 (2004-4). 1 NCAA 2003/2004; 1 US junior 98/2000 & senior 2004. Studied Psychology & Computer Science at the UCLA ... voted US Collegiate athlete of 2003 ... coach-Bobby Kersee In 2009: 1 Stanford 100H (2 200); 3 Claremont 200; 3 Mt. SAC Relays 400; 1 Osaka; 1 Belém; 2 San Diego 400; 2 US Champs; 2 Rome Golden League; 3 London; 6 Monaco; 6sf WCH					
3,	137		<b>DEMUS Lashinda</b> USA	<b>26y</b> 187d 1983 <b>52.63</b>	<b>52.63 -09</b>
Twice world silver medallist & 2009 relay gold ... 400 pb: 51.24 -02 (51.40 -09). 100H pb: 12.93w -05, 13.08 -04. 1 WJC 400H/4x400 2002; sf OLY 2004; 2 WCH 2005/2009; 2 WCP 2006; 1 WCH 4x400 2009. 1 US 2005/2006 ... student of African-American studies at the University of South Carolina ... middle of three sisters, her mother/coach Yolanda Rich (400m pb 52.19) was an international runner in the 70s and 80s ... husband-Jamel Mayrant, their twin sons Duane & Donte born June 5, 2007 In 2009: 2 UCLA Invitational 400; 3 Westwood 400; 1 Baie Mahault; 1 Eagle Rock 400; 1 Prague; 1 US Champs; 1 Santa Monica 400; 1 Réthymno; 1 London; 1 Monaco; 2 WCH (1 4x400)					
4,	76		<b>SPENCER Kaliese</b> JAM	<b>22y</b> 130d 1987 <b>53.56</b>	<b>53.56 -09</b>
2006 World Junior Champion at 400m Hurdles ... 400 pb: 50.55 -08 (52.43 -09). 800 pb: 2:05.84 -08. 1 WJC 400H 2006; sf WCH 400H 2008. Coach-Stephen Francis (MVP Group) In 2009: 1 Kingston 400H (Apr 18); 2 Kingston 400H (May 2); 5 New York 400H; 2 Jamaican 400H (just 0.01 behind Olympic Champion Melaine Walker); 1 Velenje 400; 6 Rome Golden League 400H; 4 Monaco 400H; 4 WCH 400H; 1 Zagreb 400H					
5,	78		<b>WALKER Melaine</b> JAM	<b>26y</b> 255d 1983 <b>52.42</b>	<b>52.42 -08</b>
2008 Olympic Champion ... 2009 World Champion ... 400 pb: 51.61 -08 (52.01 -09). 100H pb: 12.75 -06. 5 WJC 200 98 (3 4x100); 2 World Youth 200 99; 3 WJC 2000 (2 4x400); 2 WJC 2002 (5 100H, 3 4x400); 4 COM 2002; 3 Central American & Caribbean Games 2006; 1 OLY 2008; 1 WCH 2009 (2007-sf). 1 Jamaican 2008/2009. Graduate of Social Work from University of Texas ... managed by Juliet Campbell (ex World Indoor Champion at 200m) ... her brother Chris Walker is a noted basketball player ... coach-Stephen Francis (since 2006 when she moved back to Jamaica after her studies) In 2009: 1 Kingston 200 (Jan 31); 1 Sydney; 3 Melbourne 400; 3 Kingston 400 'B' (Apr 18); 3 New York; 7 Eugene 400; 1 Russia Challenge; 1 Jamaican; 4 Lausanne; 3 Rome Golden League; 2 Paris Golden League; 2 London; 2 Monaco; 1 WCH; 2 Zagreb					
6,	131		<b>LUCAS Josanne</b> TRI	<b>25y</b> 151d 1984 <b>53.20</b>	<b>53.20 -09</b>
2009 World bronze, after making a vast improvement from a best of 55.24 in 2008 100H pb: 12.99 -09. 2 Pan-Am junior 400H 2003; ht OLY 400H 2008; 3 WCH 400H 2009 (2005-ht). Graduate of Biomedical Sciences at Auburn University ... she is learning to play the piano & guitar ... she is a Tobagonian (from Tobago rather than Trinidad) ... coach-Henry Rolle In 2009: 2 Auburn 100H (3 200) (Apr 4); 1 Tempe 400H; 1 Auburn 400H (Apr 18); 2 Penn Relays 100H; 3 Kingston 400H; 1 Tallahassee/400H; 2 Belém 400H; 1 Trinidad 100H/400H; 5 Lausanne 400H; 7 Rome Golden League 400H; 1 Reims 400H; 4 Paris Golden League 400H; 1 Lapinlahti 100H; 3 Monaco 400H; 3 WCH 400H					
7,	105		<b>MOROSANU Angela</b> ROU	<b>23y</b> 49d 1986 <b>53.95</b>	<b>53.95 -09</b>
2007 European under-23 Champion at 400m Hurdles ... 100 pb: 11.47 -05. 200 pb: 22.91 -06. 400 pb: 51.93i -07, 52.48 -05. 8 WJC 2004; 3 EJC 200/400 2005; sf WIC 60/400 2006; 8 ECH 200 2006 (sf 400H); 4 EIC 400 2007; 1 under-23 ECH 2007; 5 WIC 400 2008; sf OLY 2008; 8 WCH 2009. At the 2005 European Indoor Championships she was the only finisher in her 200m heat after the other two entrants were disqualified for false starts ... based-Kansas In 2009: 1 Romanian indoor 60 (dnf 60H); 1 Balkan indoor 60 (5 60H); 8sf EIC 60 (ht 60H); 6 New York; 2 ETCh 1st League; dnf Lausanne; 1 Lucerne; 5 Paris Golden League; 3 Réthymno; 4 London; 1 Romanian; 8 WCH; 1 Gateshead					
8,	156		<b>WILLIAMS Tiffany</b> USA	<b>26y</b> 220d 1983 <b>53.83</b>	<b>53.28 -07</b>
(Née Ross) ... twice US Champion ... fifth in 2009 Worlds ... 100H pb: 12.99 -05. 4 WJC 2002 (1 4x400); 2 WIC 4x400 2006; 8 OLY 2008; 5 WCH 2009 (2007-7). 1 US 2007/2008. Studied Retail management at the University of South Carolina, now lives in Orlando ... coach-Brooks Johnson ... husband-Steven Williams, their daughter Samya (4) ... 1.59 tall, so one of the shortest in her event In 2009: 1 Lake Buena Vista; 1 Greensboro; 1 Drake Relays; 2 Baie Mahault; 2 Osaka; 4 New York; 3 US Champs; 1 Lausanne; 4 Rome Golden League; 3 Paris Golden League; 2 Réthymno; 5 Monaco; 5 WCH					

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## Women's High Jump

Sun/19:15

2009 World Best: 2.08 Blanka Vlasic CRO Zagreb 31 Aug 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	112		<b>GORDEYEVA Irina</b> RUS	<b>22y</b> 339d 1986 <b>2.02</b>	<b>2.02 -09</b>
=7 World Youth 2003; 9 WJC 2004; 4 EJC 2005; =5 EIC 2009 In 2009: 2 Russian indoor; =5 EIC; 3 Ostrava; 1 Tomblaine; 2 Lille; 4 Oslo Golden League; 2 Zhukovskiy; 4 Russian; 4 Monaco; 2 Wattenscheid; 1 Cottbus; 1 Eberstadt; 11 Brussels Golden League; 1 Rieti					
2,	27		<b>VLASIC Blanka</b> CRO	<b>25y</b> 309d 1983 <b>2.08</b>	<b>2.08 -09</b>
Twice World Champion ... 2008 Olympic silver but with the highest ever non-winning mark, 2.05 8 World Youth 99; 1 WJC 2000; 7 EJC 2001; 1 Mediterranean Games 2001; 1 WJC 2002; 1 under-23 ECH 2003; 4 ECH 2006 (2002-5=); 4 EIC 2007 (2002-dnq, 2009-5=); 1 WCH 2007/2009 (2001-6, 2003-7, 2005-dnq); 1 WIC 2008 (2003-4, 2004-3, 2006-2); 2 OLY 2008 (2000-dnq, 2004-11). Coached by her father Josjo (whose best HJ was 2.03) and Bojan Marinovic (pb 2.12) ... she was named Blanka after the city of Casablanca, the venue of her father's victory in the Mediterranean Games Decathlon of 1983 ... three younger brothers, the youngest being Nikola who is a footballing prodigy ... 1.93 tall In 2009: =5 EIC; 1 Doha; 1 Split; 1 Thessaloníki; 2 Berlin Golden League; 1 Ostrava; 1 ETCh 2nd League; 1 Oslo Golden League; 2 Rome Golden League; 1 Paris Golden League; 1 London; 1 Monaco; 1 WCH; 1 Zurich Golden League; 1 Zagreb; 1 Brussels Golden League (2.00, her 81st contest at two metres or higher)					
3,	33		<b>BEITIA Ruth</b> ESP	<b>30y</b> 165d 1979 <b>2.01</b>	<b>2.02 -07</b>
(Pronounced BAY-tee-a) ... Spanish record holder indoors & out ... medals at the last three European Indoor Championships ... 12x Spanish Champion (5 out & 7 in) dnq WJC 96; 9 EJC 97; 8 WJC 98; 1 under-23 ECH 2001; =6 WCP 2002; 2 EIC 2005/2009 (2007-3); 2 ECP 2006 (2004-6); 9 ECH 2006 (2002-11); 4 WIC 2008 (2001-7, 2003-5=, 2004-dnf); =7 OLY 2008 (2004-dnq); 2 ETCh 2009; 5 WCH 2009 (2003-11=, 2005-dnq, 2007-6). 1 Spanish 2003/2006/2007/2008/2009 (1 indoor 2002/2003/2005/2006/2007/2008/2009) ... coach-Ramón Torralbo ... student of Physical Therapy at the University of Santander ... youngest of five children, all of whom have tried athletics ... 1.92 tall In 2009: 1 Spanish indoor; 2 EIC; 1 Valencia; 3 Doha; 1 Rabat; 1 European Clubs Cup; 1 Valencia; 1 Lugano; 4 Berlin Golden League; 2 ETCh; 3 Oslo Golden League; 1 Madrid; 1 Zaragoza; 2 London; 1 Spanish; 5 WCH; 5 Zurich Golden League; 7 Brussels Golden League					
4,	70		<b>DI MARTINO Antonietta</b> ITA	<b>31y</b> 104d 1978 <b>2.00</b>	<b>2.03 -07</b>
Shared 2007 world silver ... 1.69 tall, so she has the world women's "differential" high jump best of 34cm 5 WIC 2006 (2008-dnq); 10 ECH 2006; 2 EIC 2007; =2 WCH 2007 (2001-12, 2009-4); 2 ECP 2008 (2001-3=, 2002-7=, 2005-5); =10 OLY 2008; 3 ETCh 2009; 1 Mediterranean Games 2009. 1 Italian 2000/2001/2006/2007/2008 (1 indoors 2003/2006/2007) ... coach-Davide Sessa In 2009: 1 Italian indoor; 1 Turin; 3 ETCh; 1 Mediterranean Games; 1 Rome Golden League; 3 Paris Golden League; 4 WCH; 5 Zurich Golden League; 5 Brussels Golden League					
5,	115		<b>KLYUGINA Viktoriya</b> RUS	<b>28y</b> 349d 1980 <b>1.95</b>	<b>1.98 -08</b>
(Née Slivka) ... former European Junior Champion ... 2009 European indoor bronze ... cleared 2m for the first time in 2009 at age 28y 2.00i -09. =5 WJC 98; 1 EJC 99; 3 EIC 2009 (2000-6). 1 Russian indoor 2009. Husband is 2000 Olympic Champion Sergey Klyugin (who also coaches Ivan Ukhov) ... 1.78 tall In 2009: 1 Russian indoor; 3 EIC; 2 Turin; =4 Thessaloníki; 7 Berlin Golden League; 4 Ostrava; 1 Somosko; 1 Lille; 5 Rome Golden League; 3 Athens; 5 Paris Golden League; 5 Russian; 7 Monaco; 3 Eberstadt; 3 Rieti					
6,	122		<b>SHKOLINA Svetlana</b> RUS	<b>23y</b> 188d 1986 <b>1.98</b>	<b>1.98 -08/09</b>
2007 European Under-23 Champion ... 2 WJC 2004; 1 EJC 2005; 4 WSG 2005/2007; 1 under-23 ECH 2007; 4 ECP 2008; 14 OLY 2008; 4 EIC 2009; 4 ETCh 2009; 6 WCH 2009. 1 Russian under-23 2007 ... 1.87 tall In 2009: 3 Russian indoor; 4 EIC; 5 Doha; 3 Rabat; 2 European Clubs Cup; 4 Strasbourg; 1 Russia Challenge; 2 Ostrava; 4 ETCh; 5 Oslo Golden League; 4 Rome Golden League; 3 Russian; 8 Monaco; 6 WCH; 7 Zurich Golden League; 3 Zagreb; 4 Brussels Golden League					
7,	142		<b>HOWARD Chaunté</b> USA	<b>25y</b> 244d 1984 <b>1.98</b>	<b>2.01 -06</b>
2005 World silver ... 2 WCH 2005 (2007-7=); 8 WIC 2006; 6 OLY 2008 (2004-dnq). 1 US junior 2003; 1 NCAA 2004 (2005-2); 1 NCAA indoor 2005; 1 US 2006/2008/2009. Graduate of Economics from Georgia Institute of Technology ... she is a trained dancer, taking classes in tap, ballet, jazz & hip-hop ... husband Mario Lowe is a 16m triple jumper, their daughter Jasmine born July 30, 2007 ... coach-Nat Page ... 1.75 tall In 2009: 1 Lake Buena Vista; 1 Auburn; 3 Mt. SAC Relays; 1 Drake Relays; 1 Athens GA; 1 Georgia Tech Invitational; 2 Rabat; 2 Toronto; 1 US Champs; 2 Oslo Golden League; 3 Rome Golden League; 4 Athens; 6 Paris Golden League; =7 WCH; 3 Zurich Golden League; 4 Eberstadt; 3 Brussels Golden League; 2 Rieti					
8,	110		<b>CHICHEROVA Anna</b> RUS	<b>27y</b> 53d 1982 <b>2.02</b>	<b>2.04 -08</b>
World silvers in 2007 & 2009 ... 2008 Olympic bronze ... 1 World Youth 99; 4 WJC 2000; 2 EJC 2001; 2 WIC 2004 (2003-3); 1 EIC 2005 (2007-5=); 1 WSG 2005 (2001-8=); 3 ECP 2006; 7 ECH 2006; 3 OLY 2008 (2004-6); 2 WCH 2009 (2003-6, 2005-4, 2007-2=). 1 Russian indoor 2005/2007 & outdoors 2007/2008/2009 ... born-Yerevan (Armenia) ... coaches-Yevgeniy Zagoruiko/Vladimir Chicherov (father) ... 1.80 tall In 2009: 1 Zhukovskiy; 2 Paris Golden League; 1 Russian; 3 Monaco; 2 WCH; 2 Zurich Golden League; 2 Zagreb; 2 Brussels Golden League					

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## Women's Triple Jump

Sun/20:15

2009 World Best: 15.14 Nadezhda Alekhina RUS Cheboksary 26 Jul 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
 2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
 3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
 4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	126		<b>TOPIC Biljana</b> SRB	<b>31y</b> 331d 1977 <b>14.52</b>	<b>14.52 -09</b>
(Née Mitrovic, her husband is High Jumper Dragutin Topic) Fourth at 2009 World Championships qf WJC 200 96; ht OLY 4x100 2000; dnq ECH 2002; 12 WIC 2008; dnq OLY 2008; 4 EIC 2009; 4 WCH 2009. 1 Serbian 2007/2008/2009 In 2009: 3 Balkan indoor; 4 EIC; 1 Bar; 2 Filothei; 3 Kalamáta; 1 Serbian; 4 WCH; 2 Zagreb; 4 Brussels Golden League					
2,	120		<b>PYATYKH Anna</b> RUS	<b>28y</b> 162d 1981 <b>14.67</b>	<b>15.02 -06</b>
Twice bronze & twice fourth in World Championships ... 15.17w -06. LJ pb: 6.72 -07 (6.35 -09). 3 EJC 99; 2 WJC 2000; 1 ECP 2002/2003/2004/2005; 8 ECH 2002; 1 World Military 2002; 8 OLY 2004/2008; 3 WCH 2005/2009 (2003/2007-4); 2 WIC 2006 (2003-4); 3 ECH 2006; dnq WIC 2008; 2 ETCh 2009. 1 Russian 2007 & indoor 2006/2008 ... coach-Yevgeniy Ter-Avaensov In 2009: 1 Filothei (2 LJ); 1 Kalamáta; 1 Dessau; 1 Bydgoszcz; 2 ETCh; 2 Madrid; 2 Lausanne; 2 Athens; 2 Russian; 3 WCH; 3 Tallinn; 6 Zagreb; 5 Brussels Golden League					
3,	75		<b>SMITH Trecia</b> JAM	<b>33y</b> 312d 1975 <b>14.48</b>	<b>15.16 -04</b>
2005 World Triple Jump Champion, Jamaica's first ever in a field event LJ pb: 6.84w -97, 6.74 -01 (6.30 -09). Hep pb: 5931 -97. 4 WCP TJ 2002; 4 WIC TJ 2004/2006 (2003-dnq); 4 OLY TJ 2004; 1 WCH TJ 2005 (2001-8, 2007-dnq, 2009-5); 1 COM TJ 2006 (2002-3); 4 WCP TJ 2007. 1 NCAA indoor LJ 99 (2 TJ); 1 NCAA LJ 99 (2 TJ). 1 Jamaican TJ 2001/2002/2004/2005/2007/2008/2009. Was at University of Pittsburgh, now based in Finchley, North London where she is a qualified physiotherapist ... coach-Frank Attoh (same as Aldama) ... was on the verge of becoming an international netball player but opted for athletics in 1995 ... 1.85 tall In 2009: 3 Fortaleza TJ; 8 Rio de Janeiro LJ; 4 Uberlândia TJ; 1 UK League div 1/Jun 6 TJ; 1 Jamaican TJ; 5 Madrid TJ; 3 Réthymno TJ; nm Monaco TJ; 5 WCH TJ; 2 Brussels Golden League TJ					
4,	129		<b>VELDÁKOVÁ Dana</b> SVK	<b>28y</b> 102d 1981 <b>14.43</b>	<b>14.51 -08</b>
2007 World finalist ... Slovak record holder ... LJ pb: 6.72 -08. 6 WJC 98; 8 EJC 99; 3 WJC 2000 (12 LJ); dnq ECH 2002; 4 under-23 ECH 2003 (2001-5); 8 WIC 2006; 8 WIC 2006; dnq ECH 2006; dnq OLY LJ/TJ 2008 (fouled out both contests); 3 EIC 2009 (2002/2005 -dnq, 2007 -6); 8 WCH 2009 (2005-dnq, 2007-12). 1 Slovak 2002-2005/2008/2009. Twin sister-Jana is an international long jumper In 2009: 1 Slovak indoor; 3 EIC; 5 Dakar; 1 Kosice; 1 Pavia; 1 European Clubs Cup 'B' (3 HJ); 1 Thessaloniki; 1 ETCh 2nd League; 1 Slovak; 7 Madrid; 4 Lausanne; 3 Athens; 2 Heusden; 4 Monaco; 8 WCH; 3 Zagreb; 6 Brussels Golden League					
5,	127		<b>ALDAMA Yamilé</b> SUD	<b>37y</b> 29d 1972 <b>14.48</b>	<b>15.29 -03</b>
Unique treble of Central American, Pan-American and African titles ... 1999 World silver ... 4th in Sydney Olympics for Cuba, 5th in Athens for Sudan 14.68w -09. 1 Ibero-American 96/98; 1 Central American & Caribbean 98; 3 WCP 98/2006; 1 Pan-Am Games 99; 2 WCH 99 (97/2007/2009- dnq, 2005-4); 4 OLY 2000 (2004-5, 2008-dnq); 2 WIC 2004 (97-6, 99-7, 2006-3, 2008-5); 1 African Champs 2004/2006 (2008-2); 1 African Games 2007. 1 Cuban 97/98/99/2000; 1 AAA 2003 ... son Amil born September 17, 2001 ... has high jumped 1.88 ... Cuban origin, tried in vain to gain a British passport in 2001-2003 then was given the chance to compete for Sudan from January 26, 2004 ... coach-Frank Attoh In 2009: 1 Dakar; 1 Belgrade; 1 Haniá; 2 Thessaloniki; 4 Madrid; 5 Lausanne; 6 Athens; 5 Monaco; dnq WCH; 1 Brussels Golden League					
6,	29		<b>GAY Mabel</b> CUB	<b>26y</b> 131d 1983 <b>14.64</b>	<b>14.66 -07</b>
2009 World silver ... 1 World Youth 99; 1 WJC 2002 (2000-4); 1 Ibero-American 2002; 1 Central American & Caribbean junior 2002; 1 Pan- Am Games 2003 (2007-3); 9 WIC 2004 (2006-dnq); dnq OLY 2008; 2 Central American & Caribbean Champs 2009; 2 WCH 2009 (2003-5, 2005-dnq). Youngest of six children ... coach-Daniel Osorio In 2009: 1 Havana (5x); 2 Havana (Apr 23); 2 Fortaleza; 2 Uberlândia; 2 Havana (May 29); 2 Central American & Caribbean Champs; 2 Réthymno; 2 Monaco; 2 WCH; 1 Tallinn; 1 Zagreb					
7,	46		<b>NZOLA MESO BA Teresa</b> FRA	<b>25y</b> 287d 1983 <b>14.40</b>	<b>14.69 -07</b>
French record holder ... 2007 European indoor bronze ... LJ pb: 6.44 -09. 8 under-23 ECH 2003; 9 ECH 2006; 3 EIC 2007 (2005-dnq, 2009 -5); 1 ECP 2007 (2006-7, 2008-2); dnq WIC 2008; dnq OLY 2008; 1 ETCh 2009; 11 WCH 2009 (2007-dnq). 1 French indoor 2003-2009. Ex- Angola ... coach-Zoran Denoix In 2009: 1 French indoor; 5 EIC; 4 Belgrade; 1 Forbach; 1 Pierre-Bénite LJ/TJ; 1 ETCh; 3 Mediterranean Games; 7 Lausanne; 2 French (7 LJ); 7 Monaco; 1 Castres; 11 WCH; 5 Tallinn; 8 Brussels Golden League					
8,	118		<b>LEBEDEVA Tatyana</b> RUS	<b>33y</b> 53d 1976 <b>14.45</b>	<b>15.34 -04</b>
Five Olympic medals ... five World Championship medals ... in 2008 she was elected as a vice-president of the Russian Athletics Federation 15.36i -04 (15.01w -09). LJ pb: 7.33 -04 (6.97 -09). 4 EJC TJ 93; 4 WJC TJ 94; 2 EJC TJ 95 (6 LJ); 5 ECH TJ 98; 2 WCP TJ 98; 1 EIC TJ 2000; 1 ECP TJ 2000/2001; 2 OLY TJ 2000; 1 WCH TJ 2001/2003 (99-4, 2007-2, 2009-6); 1 WSG TJ 2001; 1 WIC TJ 2004/2006 (2001-2, 2003-dnq); 1 WIC LJ 2004; 1 OLY LJ 2004 (3 TJ); 1 ECH TJ 2006; 1 WCP TJ 2006; 1 WCH LJ 2007 (2009-2); 2 OLY LJ/TJ 2008. 1 Russian 98/99/2000/2008. Holds world indoor record for Triple Jump ... sole winner of 2005 IAAF Golden League \$1,000,000 jackpot ... daughter Anastasiya born September 2, 2002 ... husband Nikolay Medveyev was a 400m hurdler In 2009: 2 Moscow Open LJ; 1 Madrid TJ; 3 Lausanne TJ; 2 London LJ; 3 Monaco TJ; 7 Stockholm LJ; 2 WCH LJ (6 TJ); 6 Tallinn LJ; 2 Rieti LJ					

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## Women's Shot Put

Sun/18:35

2009 World Best: 20.69 Valerie Vili NZL Rio de Janeiro 17 May 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

			Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	104	<b>HELTNE Anca</b> ROU	31y	255d	1978	19.08	19.08 -09
2009 European indoor bronze ... 19.54i -09. SP pb: 7 WSG 2005; 8 ECP 2006; dnq EIC 2007; 1 Balkan 2007; dnq WCH 2007/2009; dnq WIC 2008; dnq OLY 2008; 3 EIC 2009. 1 Romanian 2007. Husband is Norwegian decathlete Runar Heltne (8048 in 2008) ... 1.75/76kg In 2009: 1 Romanian indoor; 1 Balkan indoor; 3 EIC; 2 European Throws Cup; 3 Gorée; 1 European Clubs Cup 'B' SP/DT; 3 Turin; 6 Berlin Golden League; 1 ETCh 1st League; 2 Biberach; 1 Milan; 1 Uden; 2 Moscow Open; 1 Eindhoven; 1 Abuja; 3 Cuxhaven; 1 Ústí Nad Labem; 6 Stockholm; 1 Romanian; 4 Wattenscheid; dnq WCH							
2,	59	<b>KLEINERT Nadine</b> GER	33y	328d	1975	20.20	20.20 -09
Three World Championship silvers, across span of 11 years ... 2004 Olympic silver 2 EJC 93; 6 WJC 94; 5 EIC 96; 1 under-23 ECH 97; 6 ECH 98/2002/2006; 6 WCP 98; 2 WCH 99/2001/2009 (97/2003-7, 2005-5, 2007-3); 2 EIC 2000 (98-5); 1 ECP 2001 (99-2, 2004-3, 2005-2); 2 OLY 2004 (2000-8, 2008-7); 2 WIC 2006 (99-5, 2001-4, 2003-dnq, 2004-3); 6 ECH 2006; 1 ETCh 2009. 1 German 2000/2008 (1 indoors 98-2001/2004) ... 1.90/78kg In 2009: 2 Gorée; 1 Halle; 1 Dessau; 2 Turin; 1 Berlin Golden League; 1 Schönebeck; 1 ETCh; 1 Biberach; 1 Gotha; 2 German; 2 Athens; 1 Cuxhaven; 1 Stockholm; 1 Wattenscheid; 2 WCH (personal best 20.20); 1 Sondershausen; 2 Thum; 2 Bad Köstritz; 1 Paris "DécaNation"							
3,	93	<b>VILI Valerie</b> NZL	24y	341d	1984	20.69	20.69 -09
(Née Adams) ... reigning Olympic Champion and World Champion indoors & out, she's also won World Youth, World Junior, World Cup and Commonwealth titles ... she holds every international championship title available to her DT pb: 58.12 -04. HT pb: 58.32 -02. 1 World Youth 2001 (99-10); 1 WJC 2002; 1 COM 2006 (2002-2); 1 WCP 2006 (2002-6); 1 WCH 2007/2009 (2003-5, 2005-3); 1 WIC 2008 (2004-dnq); 1 OLY 2008 (2004-8). 1 AAA junior 99 (at age 14). 1 New Zealand 2001-2007/2009. 1 Australian 2004/2005/2008/2009 ... her late father-Sydney Adams was born in Bristol, mother Lilika Ngauamo-Tongan ... husband-Bertrand Vili threw Discus for France when they won 2007 European Cup in Munich ... winner of the Lonsdale Cup (New Zealand's top sporting award) for 2006 & 2007 ... coach-Kirsten Hellier ... 1.90/110kg In 2009: 1 Waitakere; 1 Sydney; 1 Melbourne; 1 Australian; 1 New Zealand; 1 Rio de Janeiro; 1 Uberlândia; 1 Belém; 1 French; 1 WCH; 1 Thum; 1 Bad Köstritz (24th successive victory, her last loss was to Nadezhda Ostapchuk BLR at the 2007 World Athletics Final)							
4,	14	<b>MIKHNEVICH Natallia</b> BLR	27y	111d	1982	20.03	20.70 -08
(Née Khoroneko) ... she won Olympic silver in Beijing 2008, her husband won bronze ... 2006 World Indoor & 2006 European Champion 3 WJC 2000; 1 EJC 2001; 1 under-23 ECH 2003; 1 WSG 2005 (2003-5); 1 WIC 2006 (2004-dnq); 4 WCP 2006; 2 OLY 2008 (2004-5); 4 WCH 2009 (2005-8). 1 Belarus 2001/2004/2006 ... her husband is 2001 World Shot Champion Andrei Mikhnevich ... 1.80/81kg In 2009: 2 Rio de Janeiro; 2 Uberlândia; 2 Belém; 1 Turin; 2 Berlin Golden League; 4 WCH; 1 Padua							
5,	30	<b>GONZÁLEZ Misleidis</b> CUB	31y	86d	1978	19.13	19.50 -08
2007 Pan-American Champion ... fourth at 2008 Olympics ... SP pb: 19.50 -08. 1 Central American & Caribbean Champs 2001/2003/2009; 6 WIC 2004; 3 WSG 2005; 1 Pan-Am Games 2007; 4 WIC 2008; 4 OLY 2008 (2004-7); 8 WCH 2009 (2005-10, 2007-11) ... 1.78/80kg In 2009: 2 Havana (Feb 14); 1 Havana (3x); 2 Fortaleza; 3 Rio de Janeiro; 3 Uberlândia; 3 Belém; 2 Havana (May 30); 2 Havana (Jun 12); 1 Central American & Caribbean Champs; 3 Stockholm; 8 WCH; 2 Padua							
6,	57	<b>HINRICHS Denise</b> GER	22y	98d	1987	19.47	19.47 -09
2009 European indoor silver ... 2009 European under-23 Champion ... 19.63i -09. 4 World Youth 2003; 1 EJC 2005; 2 WJC 2006; dnq OLY 2008; 2 EIC 2009; 1 under-23 ECH 2009 (2007-2); 11 WCH 2009. 1 German indoor 2009 ... Policewoman .. coach-Miroslaw Jasinski ... 1.80/80kg In 2009: 1 German indoor; 2 EIC; 1 Gorée; 2 Halle; 2 Dessau; 4 Turin; 5 Berlin Golden League; 2 Schönebeck; 1 German; 1 under-23 ECH; 2 Cuxhaven; 4 Stockholm; 3 Wattenscheid; 11 WCH; 2 Sondershausen; 4 Thum							
7,	135	<b>CARTER Michelle</b> USA	23y	336d	1985	19.13	19.13 -09
Former World Junior Champion ... 2 World Youth 2001; 1 WJC 2004; 15 OLY 2008; 6 WCH 2009. 1 US 2008/2009. 1 NCAA indoor 2006 ... graduate of liberal arts from the University of Texas ... father is Michael Carter (2 OLY SP 84) ... coach-Beverly Kearney ... 1.75/ 96kg In 2009: 1 Arlington; 1 Texas Relays; 3 Mt. SAC Relays; 4 Drake Relays; 1 Tucson; 1 New York; 1 Walnut; 1 US Champs; 3 Athens; 1 Zaragoza; 2 Stockholm (up to 19.13 from a previous best of 18.85); 6 WCH; 4 Paris "DécaNation"							
8,	15	<b>OSTAPCHUK Nadezhda</b> BLR	28y	319d	1980	19.88	21.09 -05
2005 World Champion, she won it on August 13 and says 13 is her lucky number ... World silvers in 2003 & 2007 ... 2008 Olympic bronze 1 WJC 98; 1 EJC 99; 2 WIC 2001/2003/2008 (2004-7, 2006-3); 1 under-23 ECH 2001; 5 ECH 2002; 4 OLY 2004; 1 EIC 2005 (2000-6); 1 WCH 2005 (99-dnq, 2001-7, 2003/2007-2); 2 ECH 2006; 3 ECP 2007. 1 Belorussian 99/2000/2005/2007/2008 ... 19.69 in 2004 Olympic qualifying, which would have won gold had she reproduced it in the final ... at the World Athletics Final in Stuttgart on September 23, 2007 she was the last woman to defeat Valerie Vili ... 1.80/90kg In 2009: 1 Belorussian indoor; 1 European Throws Cup; 1 Moscow Open; 1 Athens; 2 Tallinn							

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## Women's Discus Throw

Sun/19:10

2009 World Best: 66.21 Stephanie Brown Trafton USA San Mateo 24 May 09

### AWARDS

1st: \$30,000 5th: \$5000  
2nd: \$20,000 6th: \$4000  
3rd: \$12,000 7th: \$3000  
4th: \$7000 8th: \$2000

**New World Record: \$100,000**

	Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
<b>1,</b>	<b>133</b>		<b>BROWN TRAFTON Stephanie</b> USA	<b>29y</b> 286d 1979 <b>66.21</b>	<b>66.21 -09</b>
<p>2008 Olympic Champion, the first American woman to win in her event since 1932                      SP pb: 17.86 -04. 1 North &amp; Central American &amp; Caribbean 2007; 1 OLY 2008 (2004-dnq); 12 WCH 2009. 2 NCAA 2003 (2002-4). 1 US 2009. Self-coached ... she and her husband Jerry Trafton are keen hunter – "I have hunted pheasant, squirrel, wild boar, buck (deer), turkey, duck, geese ... we never have to buy meat" ... graduate of engineering ... she says her role model at age four was Olympic Gymnastics Champion Mary Lou Retton ... her mother-Philippa Lamb was born in Great Britain ... 1.93/100kg                      In 2009: 2 Sydney; 6 Melbourne; 2 Boston; 1 San Luis Obispo; 2 Drake Relays; 1 Salinas (May 5); 1 Sacramento; 1 Salinas (May 20); 1 San Mateo CA; 1 New York; 1 Eugene; 1 Lisle IL; 1 US Champs (She'd never a won national title before, she told reporters that her family said she could not eat another hot dog unless she won, and this was her motivation); 12 WCH; 9 Zagreb; 6 Rieti; 2 Paris "DécaNation"</p>					
<b>2,</b>	<b>103</b>		<b>GRASU Nicoleta</b> ROU	<b>38y</b> 2d 1971 <b>65.20</b>	<b>68.80 -99</b>
<p>(Née Gradinaru) ... 3x World medallist ... 12x Romanian Champion ... 6 WJC 90; 3 WSG 97; 3 ECH 98/2006 (94-4); 2 WCP 98; 1 WSG 99 (97-3); 1 Balkan 92/9798/99; 1 ECP 2000 (99/2002-2, 97/2001/2005-4, 2006-3); 2 WCH 2001 (93-7, 95-dnq, 97-10, 99/2009-3, 2005-5, 2007-4); 6 OLY 2004 (96-7, 2000-dnq, 2008-12). 1 Romanian 92/93/95/96/97/99/2000/2001/2002/2004/2005/2006/2008/2009 ... husband-Costel Grasu (4 OLY DT 92) ... 1.77/97kg                      In 2009: 1 Italian winter; 1 Romanian winter; 1 European Throws Cup; 1 Onesti; 1 Río de Janeiro; 2 Uberlândia; 3 Belém; 2 Warsaw; 2 Prague; 1 Romanian "International" Champs; 1 Istanbul; 1 ETCh 1st League; 1 Lille; 1 Romanian; 3 WCH</p>					
<b>3,</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>SAMUELS Dani</b> AUS	<b>21y</b> 109d 1988 <b>65.44</b>	<b>65.44 -09</b>
<p>In Berlin 2009 became the first Australian to win a global title in a throwing event ... former World Youth &amp; World Junior Champion                      SP pb: 16.30 -08/09. dnq World Youth SP 2003; 1 Commonwealth Youth SP/DT 2004; 1 World Youth DT 2005 (3 SP); 3 COM DT 2006 (12 SP); dnq WCH DT 2007; 9 OLY DT 2008; 1 WSG DT 2009 (2007-2); 1 WCH DT 2009 (2007-dnq). 1 Australian DT 2008/2009. Born/lives-Sydney ... coach-Dennis Knowles (ex-GBR) ... 1.82/82kg                      In 2009: 1 Sydney DT (3 SP) (Feb 28); 1 Melbourne DT (3 SP); 1 New South Wales State under-23 SP/DT; 1 Australian DT (3 SP); 1 World Student Games DT; 1 Zeulenroda DT; 2 Ustí Nad Labem DT; 1 WCH DT; 3 Rieti DT</p>					
<b>4,</b>	<b>151</b>		<b>THURMOND Aretha</b> USA	<b>33y</b> 29d 1976 <b>62.51</b>	<b>65.86 -04</b>
<p>(Née Hill) ... 2003 Pan-American Champion ... 66.23 downhill -03. 6 WSG 97/99; 1 Pan-Am Games 2003 (99-2); 10 OLY 2008 (96/2004-dnq); 10 WCH 2009 (99/2003-dnq). 1 US 2004/2008 ... took up athletics seriously after losing a bet with her PE teacher who wanted her to give up softball to concentrate on throwing ... lives-Opelika, Alabama ... coach-Jerry Clayton ... her husband Reedus is a 62.06 DT thrower, their son Theo born June 7, 2007 (Aretha placed 6th at the 2007 US Championships only 16 days after giving birth) ... 1.80/109kg                      In 2009: 3 Waitakere; 5 Sydney; 3 Melbourne; 4 Drake Relays; 4 Río de Janeiro; 4 Uberlândia; 4 Belém; 2 New York; 4 Eugene; 2 US Champs; 10 WCH; 4 Rieti</p>					
<b>5,</b>	<b>28</b>		<b>BARRIOS Yarelis</b> CUB	<b>26y</b> 63d 1983 <b>65.31</b>	<b>66.13 -08</b>
<p>2008 Olympic silver ... 2007 world bronze ... Pan-American &amp; World Student Games Champion in 2007                      1 Central American &amp; Caribbean Champs 2005/2008 (2009-2); 1 Pan-Am Games 2007; 1 WSG 2007; 2 OLY 2008; 2 WCH 2009 (2007-3). Threw 66.68 in 2007 at what was regarded as a "training meeting" ... 1.72/89kg                      In 2009: 1 Havana (Feb 13); 1 Havana (Mar 6); 2 Havana; 2 Fortaleza; 3 Río de Janeiro; 1 Uberlândia; 1 Belém; 1 Havana (May 29); 2 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 Bilbao; 2 Central American &amp; Caribbean Champs; 2 WCH; 1 Zagreb; 1 Rieti</p>					
<b>6,</b>	<b>95</b>		<b>GLANC Zaneta</b> POL	<b>26y</b> 186d 1983 <b>63.96</b>	<b>63.96 -09</b>
<p>Fourth at 2009 World Championships ... dnq OLY 2008; 2 WSG 2008; 4 WCH 2009. 1 Polish Universities 2007/2008 ... 1.83/79kg                      In 2009: 2 European Throws Cup; 1 Halle; 1 Polish Universities; 2 Dessau; 1 Warsaw (Jun 5); 6 Warsaw (Jun 7); 1 Gothenburg; 1 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 1 Kraków; 2 Lille; 2 World Student Games; 1 Polish; 4 WCH; 2 Zagreb; 2 Rieti</p>					
<b>7,</b>	<b>47</b>		<b>ROBERT-MICHON Mélina</b> FRA	<b>30y</b> 57d 1979 <b>63.04</b>	<b>65.78 -02</b>
<p>French record holder ... 2001 European under-23 Champion ... 2 WJC 98; dnq OLY 2000/2004; 1 under-23 ECH 2001 (99-12); 3 WSG 2001 (99-8); 12 ECH 2002 (98/2006-dnq); 2 ECP 2003 (2000-5, 2001-6, 2002-8, 2004/2008-4, 2006-7, 2007-6, 2008-4); 2 ETCh 2009; 1 Mediterranean Games 2009; 8 WCH 2009 (2003-11, 2007-12). 1 French 2000-2004/2006/2007/2008/2009 ... born-Voiron ... coaches-Serge Debie &amp; Jérôme Simian ... 1.80/83kg                      In 2009: 4 European Throws Cup; 1 Grenoble; 2 Montgeron; 1 Vénissieux; 2 Belgrade; 1 Warsaw; 5 Prague; 4 Montreuil-sous-Bois; 2 ETCh; 1 Romens; 5 Lille; 1 Mediterranean Games; 1 Bourg-en-Bresse; 1 French; 8 WCH; 4 Zagreb; 5 Rieti; 1 Paris "DécaNation"</p>					
<b>8,</b>	<b>26</b>		<b>PERKOVIC Sandra</b> CRO	<b>19y</b> 84d 1990 <b>62.79</b>	<b>62.79 -09</b>
<p>Croatian record holder ... 2009 European Junior Champion ... SP pb: 15.46 -08/09. 2 World Youth DT 2007; 3 WJC DT 2008 (2006-dnq); dnq WJC SP 2008; 1 EJC DT 2009 (2007-2); 5 EJC SP 2009; 9 WJC DT 2009                      In 2009: 1 Rijeka DT; 1 Szombathely SP/DT; 1 Split SP/DT; 1 Zagreb SP/DT; 1 Osijek SP (2 DT); 1 Croatian junior SP/DT; 1 EJC DT (5 SP); 1 Croatian SP (2 DT); 9 WCH DT; 5 Zagreb DT; 1 Split DT</p>					