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SKATING: History of Figure skating at the Olympic Winter Games

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> FIGURE SKATING



St. Moritz 1928
Pairs (X)



Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956
Individual (W)



Salt Lake City 2002
Ice dancing (X)



Sochi 2014
Individual (W)

INTRODUCTION

Figure skating featured twice on the Olympic Summer Games programme: at the Olympic Games London 1908 and the Olympic Games Antwerp 1920. This discipline is therefore the oldest of the winter competitions at the Olympic Games. It has been staged at all the editions of the Olympic Winter Games since Chamonix 1924. The ice dance event was added for the Olympic Winter Games Innsbruck 1976, while the team event made its first appearance at Sochi 2014.

KEY STAGES

Olympic Summer Games	1908: First appearance of skating at the Olympic Summer Games.
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	1920: Second appearance of skating at the Olympic Summer Games.
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Olympic Winter Games	1924: First skating events at the Olympic Winter Games.
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Ice dance	1974: At the IOC Executive Board meeting held in Lausanne in February, the ice dance event was added to the programme for the Olympic Winter Games Innsbruck 1976.
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Team event	2011: The team event made its debut on the programme for the Olympic Winter Games Sochi 2014 following a decision taken by the IOC Executive Board at its meeting in April in London.
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EVOLUTION IN THE NUMBER OF EVENTS

1924-1972: 3 events (1 women's, 1 men's, 1 mixed)

1976-2010: 4 events (1 women's, 1 men's, 2 mixed)

2014-2018: 5 events (1 women's, 1 men's, 3 mixed)

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> EVENTS PER GAMES EDITION

FIGURE SKATING	1924	1928	1932	1936	1948	1952	1956	1960	1964	1968	1972	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010	2014	2018	TOTAL	
Individual men																								23	
Individual women																									23
Pairs (mixed)																									23
Ice dancing (mixed)																									12
Team (mixed)																									2
Number of events	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	23	

Note: not listed in this table are the events staged at the Games of the Olympiad, London 1908 and Antwerp 1920

Column "Total" = number of times on the programme

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