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## SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Sports play a major role in Berliners' daily lives. Almost 560,000 residents – nearly one in six Berliners – are members of the 2,000 clubs of the Berlin State Sports Federation. A further 500,000 people regularly engage in sports outside of organized associations. Berlin has over 2,000 sports complexes, and the Berlin Public Pool Association (BBB) operates 38 indoor swimming pools as well as 31 outdoor swimming facilities and lakeside beach complexes. Tens of thousands jog through the city's numerous parks throughout the year, and Berlin puts on over 100 organized runs annually. Soccer is by far the most popular sport in Berlin, with 320 soccer clubs and almost 110,000 members. The Berlin Soccer Federation is the largest single sports federation in Berlin ahead of the Turnerbund Gymnastics Association, which has 80,000 members. With over 3,000 lakes and almost 35,000 kilometers of waterways, the Berlin-Brandenburg region is especially attractive to water sports enthusiasts. Berlin is a major center for boating and canoeing fans and has 113 sailing, 56 boating and 57 canoe clubs with nearly 27,000 combined members.

Golf continues to grow in popularity in Berlin: there are three golf clubs in the capital alone. Modern recreational sports are also popular in Berlin, with the Kronprinzessinnenweg along the Avus Motorway acting as an ideal location for inline skaters.

One of Europe's largest beach volleyball facilities is located at the center of the city, but volleyballers also have Germany's largest indoor beach-sports center at their disposal in Wittenau.

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[www.wassersport-in-berlin.de](http://www.wassersport-in-berlin.de)  
[www.gvbb.de](http://www.gvbb.de)  
[www.dav-berlin.de](http://www.dav-berlin.de)  
[www.scc.events.com](http://www.scc.events.com)  
[www.beachvolleyball-berlin.de](http://www.beachvolleyball-berlin.de)

▲ Golf club in Berlin-Gatow



## RESEARCH AND BUSINESS

More than 1,000 students are currently working toward degrees in sports science at the Institute of Sport Science at Berlin's Humboldt University. New ideas and impulses in the field are generated by the International Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE), which has had its executive offices in Berlin since 1997. The Berlin Sport Federation's Sport School is the central educational facility for Berlin's sports associations.

Wherever top German athletes compete for medals, the engineers and technicians at the Institute for Research and Development of Sports Equipment (FES) in Berlin's Köpenick district have surely contributed to their success. The FES is the technological center for competitive sports in Germany, developing modern devices for athletes, including canoers, rowers, cyclists and ice skaters.

Berlin's business community has always been a reliable partner to sports in the capital. For example, 26 companies from a wide spectrum of industries provide financial support and sponsoring for the Olympic Support Center (OSC). Another recipient of considerable support is the "Top 100 Berlin" Olympic Team, which has been a dominant force in the city since 1998. Each year, the city's top 100 athletes are selected to join this team.

At the same time, the capital region's economy profits significantly from sports. Each year, thousands of tourists travel to Berlin for major sporting events and give a major boost to the city's hotels, pensions, restaurants, stores and taxis. Each visitor to a sporting event spends roughly € 500 during their stay in the capital. This brings Berlin a significant benefit: for example, during the 12th IAAF World Championships 2009 alone, over 400,000 people attended the championships in the stadium and roughly 1.3 million viewers watched the events on the streets of Berlin.

▲ Performance diagnostics at the Olympiastützpunkt Berlin



## STADIUMS, COMPLEXES, ARENAS

Berlin offers many modern sports complexes and swimming centers. The 130-hectare Olympic Park and the renovated Olympic Stadium represent one of the largest sports complexes in Europe. In 2005, the European Football Union (UEFA) honored the stadium with the "Five-Star Arena" designation. The Sportforum Hohenschönhausen is Berlin's second largest sporting complex and home to the central offices of the Olympiastützpunkt Sports Center. The Max Schmeling Hall, the Velodrome and the Europapark Swimming and Diving Center are further modern sporting venues designed for professional and popular sports. The multifunctional O2 World Arena near Berlin's Ostbahnhof holds up to 17,000 spectators and provides a brand-new and spectacular setting for major sporting and entertainment events.

## SPORTS CALENDER

Major sporting events in Berlin in 2011:

**Gymnastics // European Championships** // April 2011 // Max Schmeling Hall  
**Soccer/Football // Women's World Cup** // June 2011 // Olympic Stadium  
**Swimming (Disabled) // European Championships** // June 2011 // Europapark Swimming and Diving Center

A selection of annual sporting events

**Cycling // Berlin Six-Day Race** // January // Velodrome  
**Running // Berlin Half Marathon** // April  
**Riding // Horseracing** // April to October // Hoppegarten Racetrack  
**Soccer // DFB Association Cup** // May // Olympic Stadium  
**Running // Berlin 25 km Run** // May  
**National Championships YOUNG ATHLETES TRAIN FOR THE OLYMPICS** // May/September  
**Athletics // ISTAF International Track & Field Meet** // September // Olympic Stadium  
**Harness Racing // Derby Week** // July to August // Mariendorf Harness Racetrack  
**Running/Inline Skating // BMW BERLIN-Marathon** // September  
**Gymnastics // Berlin Masters in Rhythmic Gymnastics** // August // Max Schmeling Hall  
**Swimming // FINA World Cup** // October // Europapark Swimming and Diving Center  
**Speed Skating // Essent ISU World Cup** // November // Sportforum

« European Champion Matthias Fahrig





## SPORTS METROPOLIS BERLIN

Berlin is one of Germany's leading sports cities and a major global sports metropolis. Today, the German capital ranks on the same level as cities such as Melbourne and London. Thanks to its high-quality sporting venues, Berlin is the site of an ever increasing number of events of international importance, such as the IAAF World Championships in Athletics in 2009, the 2010 Beach Volleyball European Championships, the 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup and the 2011 European Championships Artistic Gymnastics. Annual highlights, such as the Six-Day Cycling Race and the DFB Soccer Association Cup, are just two examples of Berlin's long and successful sporting tradition.

Today, sports stand alongside science and culture as one of Berlin's foremost strengths. Athletes from the German capital are world champions in many fields and represent the diversity of professional sports in Berlin. In 2010, Berliners won a total of 63 medals at the Winter Olympics and various world and European championships – the highest number since the opening of the Olympic Support Center (OSC) in Berlin.

There is hardly a sport not played in Berlin. Both competitive and recreational athletes enjoy excellent training conditions in all disciplines. Athletes have many outstanding indoor and outdoor facilities and swimming centers at their disposal, including large sport parks such as the Olympic Park Berlin and the Sportforum Hohenschönhausen. Sports fans enjoy top events throughout the year. Sports enthusiasts get together at fan fests to celebrate with their stars, for example during the 2010 World Cup in South Africa, when Berlin was one of only six cities worldwide chosen by FIFA to host a "fan fest" – the largest fan mile in Europe.



## CAPITAL OF PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

With 145 teams in the first and second division leagues, Berlin is also Germany's premier city for top team sports. It is the capital of professional sports and home to the Hertha BSC soccer team, the Alba Berlin basketball team, the EHC Eisbären ice hockey team, the Füchse Berlin handball team, the SCC Berlin volleyball team and a number of top swimmers, skaters and track & field athletes, to name a few. Berlin's leading professional teams and arenas come together online at [www.berlin-sportmetropole.de](http://www.berlin-sportmetropole.de), a joint website that was launched last year. The site offers a quick overview of all the latest news, dates and tickets for sporting events in the capital.

Berlin's Olympic athletes enjoy optimal training conditions at the Olympic Support Center (OSC), now the largest and most successful training center of its kind in Germany. Roughly 700 athletes on Germany's national team train here in 35 Olympic disciplines. The center employs roughly 100 full-time coaches, including 24 OSC trainers, who work with young and professional athletes. Berlin's ice-skaters, swimmers, track & field athletes, gymnasts, judoka, archers and volleyball players all train at the city's second largest sporting facility, the 45-hectare Hohenschönhausen Sportforum. A further 26 regional and 19 national training centers provide even more facilities for Berlin's professional athletes. Berlin is also a leader in the early development of young athletes. The city boasts a number of elite sports schools where the champions of tomorrow fine tune their skills. Students at these schools receive both optimal training and an excellent education.

[www.osp-berlin.de](http://www.osp-berlin.de)

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## WELCOMING THE WORLD TO BERLIN

Each year, Berlin hosts several major sporting events, including the Final Cup of the German Soccer Association (DFB), the FINA Swimming World Cup. In September of this year, the ISTAF International Track & Field Meet will take for the 70th time. In 2011, the Berlin Six-Day Cycling Race at the Velodrome will celebrate its 100th anniversary.

The annual "YOUNG ATHLETES TRAIN FOR OLYMPIA" national championships also take place in Berlin each year. The Berlin Marathon – one of the world's leading marathons – has taken place each September since 1974 and witnessed a number of world-record-setting performances. Many other major sporting events in the past several years, such as the 2006 FIFA Soccer World Cup™, the Speed Skating World Championships in 2008 and the world's third-largest sporting event – the 12th IAAF World Championships in Athletics Berlin 2009™ – have made Berlin one of the leading sports locations in the world.

The German capital has been able to consistently showcase itself as a friendly and fair sports metropolis. The "Berlino" mascot – which became the star of the World Championships in Athletics – has emerged as a "well-known face" for Berlin sports and continues to attract attention to the unique flair of international sports events in Berlin, especially during the ISTAF Athletics Meet. The biggest highlight in 2011 will of course be the opening game of the FIFA Women's World Cup at the Olympic Stadium. Other unforgettable moments in 2011 will no doubt include the IPC Swimming European Championships and the world-class men's volleyball games.

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## A SERIES OF SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Berlin will continue to host prominent international sporting events in the future. In 2011, the city will no doubt focus on soccer and the FIFA Women's World Cup. German fans will cheer on their team and hope for a repeat of the memorable events of 2006 – only this time with a happy end during the final game. The event will get underway – where else – in Berlin at the Olympic Stadium. Roughly 75,000 fans are expected to attend the German-Canada game at the largest World Cup stadium.

From April 4-10, 2011, the world's best gymnasts will compete in the European Championships Artistic Gymnastics at the Max Schmeling Hall. This event will take place in the capital for the first time, and indeed it is perfectly timed to celebrate "200 Years of Gymnastics" in Berlin, the birthplace of the sport founded by Friedrich Ludwig Jahn. A large group of fans is expected to attend the event, not least because Berlin's gymnastics association has almost 80,000 members and is the second largest association in the city.

Only a few weeks later, for the first time after ten international German championships, Berlin will host the European Championships in Swimming for Disabled Persons at the Europapark Swimming and Sports Complex.

In 2012, Berliners and their guests have a number of events to look forward to, including the FINA Swimming World Cup, the ISTAF Athletics Meet (as IAAF World Challenge Meeting), the Olympic Qualifications in Men's Volleyball and other international highlights, especially from Berlin's leading professional teams in ice hockey, basketball, handball and soccer.

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[www.bsberlin.de](http://www.bsberlin.de)

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