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Women's 100 Metres

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	10.73 10.72w	Shelly-Ann Fraser JAM Carmelita Jeter USA	Berlin Eugene	17 Aug 09 26 Jun 09
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		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	BORLÉE Olivia BEL	23y	147d	1986	11.44	11.39 -07
	Ran first leg for Belgian sprint relay team which won 2007 world bronze & 2008 Olympic silver 200 pb: 22.98 -06 (23.15 -09). 2 European Youth Olympics 100/200 2003; sf ECH 200 2006; 3 WCH 4x100 2007; 2 OLY 4x100 2008; sf WCH 200 2009. 1 Belgian 100/200 2009. Her father/coach Jacques was an international 400m runner and she has twin brothers (Jonathan & Kevin) who have both held the Belgian 400m record In 2009: 2 Belgian indoor 60; 1 Nivelles 400; 4 Rabat 200; 3 Haniá 100; 2 Geneva 200 (7 100); 1 ETCh 1st League 200 'A'/100 'B'; 4 Lille 200 (5 100 'B'); 6 Liège 100; 1 Belgian 100/200; 8sf WCH 200					
2,	BAPTISTE Kelly-Ann TRI	22y	325d	1986	10.94	10.94 -09
	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: 1 Baton Rouge 100; 1 Hattiesburg 200; 5 Kingston 100; 4 Carson 100; 2 Belém 200; 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					
3,	FRASER Shelly-Ann JAM	22y	251d	1986	10.73	10.73 -09
	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: 2 Kingston 400 (Jan 31); 2 Kingston 200 (Apr 18); 3 Kingston 100 (May 2); 4 Eugene 100; 1 Jamaican 100 (2 200); 1 Lausanne 100; 2 Rome Golden League 100; 1 Monaco 100; 1 WCH 100/4x100; 4 Zurich Golden League; 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					
4,	JETER Carmelita USA	29y	284d	1979	10.83	10.83 -09
	(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: 2 California Relays 400; 1 UCLA Invitational 400; 1 Westwood 200; 1 Mt. SAC Relays 100; 1 Baie Mahault 100 (3 200); 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					
5,	STEWART Kerron JAM	25y	140d	1984	10.75	10.75 -09
	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 Auburn 400 (Apr 4); 1 Tempe 200; 1 Auburn 100 (Apr 18); 1 Kingston 100 (May 2); 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					
6,	FERGUSON McKENZIE Debbie BAH	33y	231d	1976	10.97	10.91 -02
	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). sf OLY 100 96 (silver 4x100, ran in heat); sf WCH 100 97/99; 1 Pan-Am Games 200 99; 5 WCH 200 99 (1 4x100); 1 OLY 4x100 2000 (8 100, 5 200); 1 WCH 200 2001 (6 100); 1 COM 100/200/4x100 2002; 1 WCP 200/4x100 2002; sf WCH 100 2003 (qf 200); sf WIC 60 2004; 3 OLY 200 2004 (4 4x100, 7 100); sf WCH 100/200 2007; 7 OLY 100/200 2008; 2 WCH 4x100 2009 (6 100, 3 200). 1 NCAA 100/200 98. 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: 3 Coral Gables 400 (Mar 21); 1 Coral Gables 200 'B' (Apr 11); 1 Orlando 100; 1 Manchester "Great City Games" 150; 1 Rabat 200; 3 New York 200 (8 100); 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,	CAMPBELL-BROWN Veronica JAM	27y	112d	1982	10.95	10.85 -05
	Twice Olympic Champion at 200m ... 2007 World Champion at 100m ... winner so far of six World Championship and five Olympic medals 10.81w -09. 200 pb: 21.74 -09 (22.29 -09). 2 OLY 4x100 2000; 1 WJC 100/200 2000 (2 4x100); 2 COM 100/4x100 2002; 1 OLY 200/4x100 2004 (3 100); 2 WCH 100/4x100 2005 (4 200); 1 WCH 100 2007 (2 200/4x100); 1 OLY 200 2008; 2 WCH 200 2009 (4 100). 1 Jamaican 100 2002/2004/2005/2007 (1 200 2004/2005/2007). Studied Marketing & Management at the University of Arkansas ... coach-Lance Brauman ... four sisters & five brothers ... married Omar Brown (2006 Commonwealth Champion at 200m) on November 3, 2007 In 2009: 1 Clermont 100; 3 New York 100; 1 Orlando 100/200; 1 Jamaican 200; 1 Athens 100; 1 Barcelona 200; 3 Monaco 100; 2 WCH 200 (4 100); 1 Zagreb 100					

8,

STURRUP Chandra BAH

37y 357d 1971 **10.99**

10.84 -05

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: 6 Coral Gables 100; 1 Greensboro 100 (5 200); 3 Baie Mahault 100; 1 Chapel Hill 100 (2 200); 3 Ponce 100; 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

9,

SIMPSON Sherone JAM

25y 22d 1984 **11.15**

10.82 -06

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 ... student of Tourism at Kingston University of Technology ... second of four children, her younger brother Jerome is a footballer ... 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

Returning from knee surgery

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Women's 400 Metres

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best: 48.94 Sanya Richards USA Zurich 28 Aug 09

Richards: Has a Golden League win streak of 22 races since placing fourth in Zurich on August 6, 2004 (when she was still a junior)

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	HARGROVE Monica USA 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	26y	248d	1982	50.39	50.39 -09
2,	FIROVA Tatyana RUS 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	26y	329d	1982	50.59	50.08 -06
3,	OHURUOGU Christine GBR Reigning Olympic & 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 & 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 & 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	25y	109d	1984	50.21	49.61 -08
4,	RICHARDS Sanya USA AF GOLDEN LEAGUE JACKPOT CONTENDER 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, a record 39th time under 50 seconds)	24y	190d	1985	48.94	48.70 -06
5,	WILLIAMS Shericka JAM 2008 Olympic silver ... 2009 World silver ... three World relay silvers 200 pb: 22.50 -08 (22.93 -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: 1 Kingston 200 'B'; 1 Sydney 200 (2 100); 1 Melbourne 200; 3 Doha; 2 New York; 2 Eugene; 2 Jamaican; 2 Oslo Golden League; 2 Lausanne 200 (22.99 into 3.7 wind); 2 Rome Golden League; 1 Stockholm; 2 WCH (2 4x400); 3 Zurich Golden League; 3 Zagreb	23y	352d	1985	49.32	49.32 -09
6,	KRIVOSHAPKA Antonina RUS 2009 World bronze ... 2009 European Indoor Champion (when she ran the first lap in 23.12 and the second in 28.06!) 1 European Youth Olympics 2003; 2 World Youth 2003; ht WJC 2004; 1 EIC 400/4x400 2009. 1 Russian in/out 2009. Student of Volograd Sports Academy ... Coach-Vladimir Tipayev In 2009: 1 EIC 400/4x400; 1 Moscow Open; 1 Zhukovskiy; 1 Russian; 2 Stockholm; 3 WCH 400/4x400; 7 Zurich Golden League	22y	45d	1987	49.29	49.29 -09
7,	WILLIAMS-MILLS Novlene JAM 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; 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	27y	131d	1982	49.77	49.53 -06
8,	DUNN Debbie USA 2009 World 4x400 gold ... 2 WIC 4x400 2006; 6 WCH 2009 (1 4x400). Graduate of Child Education from Norfolk State University, Virginia ... ex-Jamaica ... coach-Steve Riddick In 2009: 1 Bacolet; 4 Baie Mahault; 2 Rio de Janeiro 200; 1 Uberlândia; 3 Belém; 2 US Champs; 4 Oslo Golden League; 1 Tangiers 200; 4 Paris Golden League; 6 WCH; 1 WCH 4x400 (excellent 50.5 on leg 1 to put US in front); 2 Gateshead	31y	162d	1978	49.95	49.95 -09
9,	SANDERS Nicola GBR 2007 World silver & 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 & indoor 2006. 1 UK indoor & 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	27y	73d	1982	50.45	49.65 -07

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Women's 800 Metres

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

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1a,	VESSEY Maggie USA 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	27y	255d	1981	1:57.84	1:57.84 -09
1b,	WILLARD Anna USA 2008 Olympic Steeplechase finalist ... big improvement at middle distances in 2009 (from 2:02.72/4:06.26 to 1:58.80/4:01.44) 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)	25y	156d	1984	1:58.80	1:58.80 -09
2,	ZBROZHEK Oksana RUS 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	31y	235d	1978	1:59.13	1:58.06 -04
3,	ROSTKOWSKA Anna POL (Née Zagorska) ... 2001 European under-23 Champion ... 1 under-23 ECH 2001; 4 WSG 2001; 2 EIC 4x400 2002; 2 WSG 2003; 5 ECP 2004; sf OLY 2008; sf WCH 2009. 1 Polish 2000-2004/2008/2009. Coach/husband is Polish 1500m record holder Piotr Rostkowski In 2009: 9 Hengelo; 4 Bydgoszcz; 8 Ostrava; 7 Madrid; 5 Rome Golden League; 6 Paris Golden League; 1 Polish; 3sf WCH; 7 Zagreb	29y	39d	1980	1:59.77	1:58.72 -08
4,	SIMPSON Jemma GBR 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	25y	206d	1984	1:59.07	1:59.07 -09
5a,	CUSMA Elisa ITA 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; 1 Padua; 2 Rovereto	28y	42d	1981	1:58.99	1:58.63 -07
5b,	MARTINEZ Mayte ESP 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 Granada 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	33y	109d	1976	1:58.81	1:57.62 -07
6,	OKORO Marilyn GBR 2009 World 800m finalist ... 2007 World 4x400 bronze ... 1:59.27i -09. 400 pb: 52.02 -06 (52.34 -09). 4 under-23 ECH 800 2005; 3 WSG 800 2005; 7 COM 800 2006; 4 EIC 800 2007 (2008-5 after going through first lap in 56.10); sf WCH 800 2007 (3 4x400); ht WIC 2008; sf OLY 2008; 2 EIC 4x400 2009; 8 WCH 2009. 1 AAA under-23 800 2005 & 400 2006. 1 UK indoor 800 2007; 1 UK 2008. Parents-Nigerian ... graduate of French & Politics from Bath University, where she sang in their gospel choir ... her housemate is Vicky Barr ... coach-Ayo Falola In 2009: 5 EIC (went through first lap in 56.10); 4 Hengelo; 2 Geneva; 1 Ostrava; 1 La Chaux-de-Fonds 400; 3 Madrid; 3 UK Champs; 4 Paris Golden League; 3 London; 8 WCH	24y	345d	1984	1:59.56	1:58.45 -08
7,	KREVSUN Yuliya UKR (Née Gurtovenko) ... 2007 World Student Games Champion ... 400 pb: 52.45 -07 (53.18 -09). 2 EJC 99; 5 under-23 ECH 2001 (2 4x400); 6 ECP 2002; sf EIC 2007; 2 ECP 2007; 1 WSG 2007; 7 OLY 2008; 1 ETCh 2009; 4 WCH 2009 (2003/2007-ht). 1 Ukrainian 2002/2007. She began as a race walker ... husband-Sergey Krevsun, their son Danil born April 21, 2005 ... coach Igor Lishchynskiy (husband of her training partner Iryna Lishchynska) In 2009: 2 Hengelo; 1 Ukraine Cup/Yalta; 1 ETCh; 4 Milan; 7 Moscow Open; 10 Madrid; 8 Monaco; 4 WCH	28y	269d	1980	1:58.00	1:57.32 -08

- 8,** **SAVINOVA Mariya** RUS **24y** 22d 1985 **1:57.90** **1:57.90 -09**
 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
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- 9a,** **JEPKOSGEI Janeth** KEN **25y** 265d 1983 **1:57.90** **1:56.04 -07**
 2007 World Champion with the world's fastest time since 2003, though that time since beaten by her younger compatriot Pamela Jelimo
 1500 pb: 4:08.48 -08 (4:13.87 -09). ht World Youth 99; 1 WJC 2002; 1 COM 2006; 1 African Champs 2006; 2 WCP 2006; 1 WCH 2007 (2009 -2); 2 OLY 2008. Coach-Claudio Berradeli (formerly Paul Ereng)... lives-Eldoret, trains-Milan from April until September ... oldest of two brothers & three sisters ... she has ambitions to become a nurse
 In 2009: 11 Doha 1500; 5 Lausanne; 6 Rome Golden League; 1 Kenyan World Trials (beat Jelimo); 2 WCH; 2 Zagreb
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- 9b,** **TSYGANOVA Natalya** RUS **38y** 209d 1971 **2:03.26** **1:56.60 -00**
 PACEMAKER – 57.5 to 400m
 (Pronounced “Sig-a-nova”) ... 2000 European indoor 800m silver ... 1999 World indoor 800m bronze
 1500 pb: 4:08.07 -99. 400 pb: 52.02 -98. sf ECH 98; 3 WIC 99 (2006-sf); 1 ECP 99; 5 WCH 99 (2001-ht); 2 EIC 2000 (2005-3); ht OLY 2000.
 1 Russian 2000/2001 & indoor 99 ... born-Kirghizistan ... based-Moscow
 In 2009: 3 Vladimir Kuts Memorial; 3 Moscow City Champs 400 'B'; paced Rome; dnf Paris Golden League; 3ht Russian

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World Record:	5:25.36	Sonia O'Sullivan IRL	Edinburgh	8 Jul 94
	(pace – 400m: 64.82, 800m: 2:10.75, 1200m: 3:17.78, 1600m: 4:23.48)			
2009 World Best:	5:31.52	Vivian Cheruiyot KEN	Eugene	7 Jun 09

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	CHEMOS Milka KEN Full name-Milkah Chemos Cheiywa She ran her first steeplechase in April 2009, and won the world bronze medal just four months later 3000SC pb: 9:08.57 -09. 3000 pb: 8:43.92 -09. 2 Kenyan 2009; 2 Kenyan World Trials 2009. "I decided to switch to steeplechase after realising I could not make times to be competitive in 800m and 1500m" ... self-coached ... husband-Alex Sang (800: 1:46.84 -08), their daughter-Lavine In 2009: 1 Kakamega; 3 Nijmegen 3000SC; 5 Rehlingen 3000SC; 5 Casablanca 1500; 2 Kenyan 3000SC; 2 Tangiers 3000; 3 Heusden 3000SC; 2 Kenyan World Trials 3000SC (6 800); 3 WCH 3000SC (improved from 9:22.33 to 9:08.57); 4 Zagreb 3000	23y	192d	1986	-	-
2,	CHOJECKA Lidia POL Twice Olympic finalist at 1500m: fifth in Sydney & sixth in Athens 5000 pb: 15:04.88 -02. 3000 pb: 8:31.69 -02 (8:41.83 -09). 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 Jean-Marc Leandro is Gabon record holder at 1500m, 3000m & Marathon ... coach-Zbigniew Król 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	32y	222d	1977	-	5:48.15 -02
3,	CHENONGE Ines KEN Full name-Ines Chepkesis Chenonge 2002 Commonwealth bronze at 5000m 1500 pb: 4:08.61 -09. 3000 pb: 8:39.29 -06. 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	27y	215d	1982	-	6:00.88 -03
4,	CHERONO Mercy KEN 2007 World Youth & 2008 World Junior Champion at 3000m ... 3000 pb: 8:53.94 -07 (8:54.96 -09). 5000 pb: 15:46.74 -09. 10,000 pb: 34:33.4 -06. 1 World Youth 3000 2007; 1 Commonwealth Youth Games 3000 2008; 1 WJC 3000 2008; 1 African junior 3000 2009 (2 5000). At WXC: 2007-23J, 2009-2J In 2009: 1 Kenyan junior XC; 2 WXC-j; 1 Kenyan 5000; 1 African junior 3000 (2 5000)	18y	120d	1991	-	-
5,	HILALI Siham MAR 2008 Olympic finalist at 1500m ... 3000 pb: 9:03.16 -04. At WXC: 2003-19J, 2004-12J. 1 World Youth 3000 2003; 3 WJC 1500/3000 2004; ht WCH 1500 2007/2009; 7 WIC 1500 2008; 10 OLY 1500 2008. At WXC: 2003-19J, 2004-12J, 2009-23 In 2009: 5 Doha 1500; 2 Rabat 1500; 4 Hengelo 1500; 4 Mediterranean Games 1500; 5 Athens 1500; 11 Monaco 1500; 6 Stockholm 1500; 10ht WCH 1500; 4ht WIC 1500	23y	125d	1986	-	-
6,	PLIS Renata POL 800 pb: 2:02.44 -09. 1500 pb: 4:06.84 -09. 11 ETCh 800 2009. At EXC: 2004-25J. 1 Polish under-23 800 2006 In 2009: 1 Chorzów 1000; 1 Rehlingen 800; 6 Warsaw 1500; 6 Bydgoszcz 800; 4 Königs Wusterhausen; 11 ETCh 800; 8 Málaga 1500; 7 Moscow Open 1500; 7 Barcelona 1500; 2 Polish 1500; 6 Cottbus 800; 6 Gateshead 1500	24y	211d	1985	-	-
7,	MISHCHENKO Anna UKR Ukrainian #3 at 1500m in 2008 (the top two – Lishchynska & Tobias – won Olympic medals) ... She set personal bests in both heat & final in Beijing 800 pb: 2:03.65 -08. 9 OLY 1500 2008; 5 ETCh 1500 2009; sf WCH 1500 2009. She is a graduate of the Police Academy of Kharkov (in 2007) but is now a full-time athlete ... coach-Piotr Ivanov In 2009: 2 Ukrainian indoor 1500; 1 Ukraine Cup/Yalta 1500; 3 Istanbul 1500; 5 ETCh 1500; 3 Madrid 1500; 10 Rome Golden League 1500; 2 Tangiers 1500; 2 Ukrainian 1500; 4 Barcelona 1500; 5 Stockholm 1500; 12sf WCH 1500	26y	10d	1983	-	-
8,	KIBIWOTT Viola KEN Winner of three world junior titles in 2001/2002 ... 1500 pb: 4:02.10 -07 (4:02.70 -09). 5000 pb: 14:51.59 -08. 800 pb: 2:04.99 -07. 1 WJC 1500 2002; 7 COM 1500 2006; ht OLY 1500 2008; sf WCH 1500 2009. At WXC: 2000-3J, 2001/2002-1J, 2003-22 short; 2005-23 short In 2009: 6 Doha 1500; 3 Hengelo 1500; 5 Lausanne; 5 Rome Golden League 1500; 6 Kenyan World Trials 1500; 8sf WCH 1500; 8 Zurich Golden League 1500	25y	256d	1983	-	-
9,	BELETE Almensch ETH 800 pb: 2:05.76 -09. 1500 pb: 4:09.09 -09. 3000 pb: 8:51.76 -09. 1 Belgian 1500 2009 In 2009: 1 Brasschaat 3000; 1 Antwerp 800; 9 Rehlingen 800; 2 Baunatal 1500; 4 Casablanca 1500; 1 Oordegem 1500; 6 Heusden 1500; 2 Ghent 1500; 1 Brasschaat 1500; 1 Leverkusen 1500; 1 Belgian 1500; 1 Merksem 1500; 2 Rovereto 3000	20y	40d	1989	-	-

- 10, CHERUIYOT Vivian KEN** **25y** 358d 1983 **5:31.52** **5:31.52 -09**
 2009 World Champion at 5000m ... third-fastest woman of all-time at 5000m after Dibaba & Defar
 5000 pb: 14:22.51 -07 (14:37.01 -09). 3000 pb: 8:28.66 -07. 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
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- 11, YEVDOKIMOVA Natalya RUS** **31y** 171d 1978 - -
 Led 2004 Olympic 1500m final for 1440m; wound up fourth ... 1500 pb: 3:57.73 -05 (3:59.66 -09). 800 pb: 1:58.75 -03 (2:01.35 -09). 5 EJC 800 95 (97-6); 8 WJC 800 96; 1 EJC 1500 97; 4 OLY 1500 2004; 5 EIC 1500 2009; 8 WCH 1500 2009 (2003-sf). At EXC: 97-42J. Former European Junior Champion, for Ukraine ... transferred to Russia in 1998 ... Coach-Viktor Morozov
 In 2009: 6 EIC 1500; dnf Belgrade 1500; 2 Sochi 1500 (4 800); 2 Warsaw 1500; 2 Russian 1500; 8 WCH 1500
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- 12, ALMINOVA Anna RUS** **24y** 230d 1985 **5:48.37i** **5:42.95 -08**
 2009 European Indoor Champion at 1500m ... 2004 World junior silver at 1500m
 1500 pb: 3:58.41 -09. 800 pb: 1:59.90 -08. 3000 pb: 8:56.96 -08. 5 World Youth 800 2003; 2 WJC 1500 2004; 8 EIC 1500 2005; 4 ECP 1500 2008; 11 OLY 1500 2008; 1 EIC 1500 2009 (6 3000); 1 ETCh 1500 2009; sf WCH 1500 2009. 1 Russian 1500 2009. In June 2008 paced the Oslo world 5000m record of Tirunesh Dibaba ... married Russian pole vaulter Viktor Chistyakov in November 2008
 In 2009: 1 EIC 1500 (6 3000); 1 European Clubs Cup 3000; 2 Hengelo 1500; 3 Eugene 1500; 1 Moscow "Kremlin Mile" Mile; 1 ETCh 1500; 1 Russian 1500; 10sf WCH 1500
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- 13, BURKA Gelete ETH** **23y** 224d 1986 - **5:37.80 -06**
 She is the rightful 2008 World Indoor Champion at 1500m as the two Russians ahead of her in that race are now definitely disqualified ... 2006 World Short Course Cross Country Champion ... African mile record holder
 1500 pb: 3:58.79 -09. Mile pb: 4:18.23 -08. 3000 pb 8:25.92 -06. 5000 pb: 14:31.20 -07. 8 WCH 1500 2005; 1 African Games 1500 2007; 10 WCH 5000 2007; 1 WIC 1500 2008; ht OLY 1500 2008. At WXC: 2003-3J, 2005-1J, 2006-1 short, 2007-4, 2008-6, 2009-8. Oldest of three children including younger brother Mohammed who is also a runner ... Married Taddele Gebrmehden on September 1, 2007
 In 2009: 3 Ethiopian XC; 8 WXC; 1 Ethiopian 1500; 1 Doha 1500; 1 Hengelo 1500; 1 Eugene 1500; 1 Lausanne 1500; 2 Monaco 1500; 10 WCH 1500 (fell when in lead with 200m left, it was judged that she was pushed by Natalia Rodriguez ESP, who was disqualified)
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- 14, ROMAN Sonja SLO** **30y** 177d 1979 - **5:55.42 -08**
 PACEMAKER 1 – 65 second laps, c 2:43 to 1000m
 Slovenian record holder & 2009 European indoor bronze at 1500m
 800 pb: 2:02.47 -02 (2:06.13 -09). 1500 pb: 4:02.13 -09. 3000 pb: 9:03.99 -09 (8:54.24i -08). ht WJC 800/1500 96; 7 EJC 1500 97; 7 ECP 1500 98; sf WJC 800 98 (ht 1500); 12 under-23 ECH 1500 2001; ht ECH 1500 2002/2006; 9 WSG 1500 2005 (2003-11); 7 EIC 1500 2007 (2005-ht); dnf WIC 1500 final 2008 (2003/2004-ht); ht OLY 1500 2008; 3 EIC 1500 2009; sf WCH 1500 2009. 1 Slovenian 800 2002/2004/2007/2008/2009 (1 1500 2006/2007). At EXC: 98-7J, 99-dnf, 2002-33, 2006-24
 In 2009: 3 EIC 1500; 1 World Military Indoor Cup 800; 2 Dakar 800; 4 Osaka 1500; 6 Rabat 1500; 9 Hengelo 1500; 2 Istanbul 1500; 1 ETCh 1st League 1500 (2 3000); 4 Madrid 1500; 7 Lausanne 1500; 4 Rome Golden League 1500; 7 Stockholm 1500; 1 Slovenian 800; 10sf WCH 1500; 2 Gateshead 1500
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- 15, WURTH-THOMAS Christin USA** **29y** 54d 1980 - -
 PACEMAKER 2 – 4:04 to 1500m
 2008 US Indoor Champion at 1500m ... 800 pb: 1:59.35 -09. 1500 pb: 3:59.98 -09. 5000 pb: 15:28.04 -08 (15:34.17 -09). ht WIC 1500 2008; ht OLY 1500 2008; 5 WCH 1500 2009 (2007-ht). At WXC: 2004-43 short. 3 NCAA 1500 2003. Lives-Springdale, Arkansas ... coach-Lance Harter
 In 2009: 2 Mt. SAC Relays 5000; 2 Carson 800; 1 New York 1500; 5 Eugene 1500; 2 US Champs 1500; 4 Madrid 800; 3 Lausanne 1500; 2 Rome Golden League 1500; 7 Monaco 800; 1 Stockholm 1500; 5 WCH 1500; 5 Zurich Golden League 1500; 1 Gateshead 800

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Women's 100 Metres Hurdles

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best:	12.46	Brigitte Foster-Hylton JAM	Zurich	28 Aug 09
	12.36w	Dawn Harper USA	Eugene	28 Jun 09

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	CARRUTHERS Danielle USA Fourth at 2006 World Indoors ... missed 2004 US Olympic team by one hundredth, behind her current coach among others 8 WSG 2002; 4 WIC 2006. 1 US indoor 2005/2006. Was at University of Indiana ... coach/agent-Gail Devers In 2009: 2 Baie Mahault; 3 Doha; 1 Ponce; 5 Hengelo; 2 Turin; 3 Prague; 3 Bydgoszcz; 7 Berlin Golden League; 3 Ostrava; 5 US Champs; 1 Oslo Golden League 'B'; 3 Lausanne 'B'; 4 Lucerne; 1 Zaragoza; 8ht London 100; 5ht Stockholm; 5 Zagreb	29y	256d	1979	12.73	12.56 -04
2,	DAVIN Elisabeth BEL 100 pb: 11.49 -09. 7 under-23 ECH 2003; sf EIC 2009; ht WCH 2009. 1 Belgian 100H 2004/2005/2008100H In 2009: 1 Belgian indoor 60; 6sf EIC; 2 Nivelles; 2 Brasschaat; 1 Sint-Niklaas (3 100); 3ht Geneva (2 100 'C'); 2 Leiden; 3 Tomblaine; 1 La Chau-de-Fonds; 1 Oordegem (3 100); 4 Liège (8 100); 7 Heusden (8 100); 2 Belgian	28y	93d	1981	12.97	12.97 -09
3,	ENNIS-LONDON Delloreen JAM 2005 World silver ... world bronzes in 2007 & 2009 ... 7x Jamaican Champion sf WJC 92; 4 OLY 2000 (2004-sf, 2008-5); sf WIC 2004; 2 WCH 2005 (99-7, 2007-3); 3 COM 2006; 1 Pan-Am Games 2007. 1 Jamaican 99/2000/2001/2004/2005(=)/2007/2009. Business Management Graduate of Abilene Christian University ... knee ligament replacement operations in 1993 & 2001 ... coach/husband-Lincoln London, their daughter Zarina In 2009: dnf Kingston (May 2); 1 Thessaloniki; 2 Berlin Golden League; 1 Ostrava; 1 Jamaican; 4 Oslo Golden League; 4 Lausanne; 2 Rome Golden League; 4 Paris Golden League; 3 Réthymno; 3 WCH; 4 Zurich Golden League; 2 Zagreb	34y	183d	1975	12.55	12.50 -07
4,	LOPES-SCHLIEP Priscilla CAN (Lopes pronounced with one syllable) ... 2008 Olympic bronze ... 2009 World silver 100 pb: 11.44 -04. qf WJC 2000; 3 OLY 2008 (2004-ht); 2 WCH 2009 (2007-sf). 2 NCAA 2004/2005/2006 (2 indoor 2005/2006). Five times second in US Collegiate Championships, representing the University of Nebraska where she studied Sociology & Criminal Justice ... born-Scarborough, Ontario ... coach-Anthony McCleary In 2009: 2 Kansas Relays; 4 Baie Mahault; 1 Doha; 3 Hengelo; 3 Eugene; 1 Toronto; 2 Canadian; 3 Oslo Golden League; 3 Lausanne; 6 Rome Golden League; 4 Réthymno; 5 London; 2 Monaco; 1 Stockholm; 2 WCH; 6 Zurich Golden League	27y	9d	1982	12.51	12.51 -09
5,	FOSTER-HYLTON Brigitte JAM World gold in 2009 on her fourth attempt at the championships ... 100 pb: 11.17 -03. 6 WIC 2003 (2004-sf); 1 Pan-Am Games 2003; 1 COM 2006 (98-5); 1 WCP 2006 (2002-2); 6 OLY 2008 (2000-8, 2004-sf); 1 WCH 2009 (2001-sf, 2003-2, 2005-3). 1 Jamaican 2002/2003/2005 (=)/2006/2008. Studied Communications at Southwest Texas State University ... now lives and trains in Jamaica ... has three younger brothers, the youngest of which (Lovell Palmer) is an international footballer ... operation in October 2007 to repair a detached left hamstring ... coached in Kingston by Stephen Francis In 2009: 1 Kingston 400 'B' (pb 53.89); 2 Melbourne; 5 Eugene; 2 Jamaican; 2 Oslo Golden League; 2 Lausanne; 3 Rome Golden League; 4 Monaco; 3 Stockholm; 1 WCH; 1 Zurich Golden League; 1 Gateshead	34y	301d	1974	12.46	12.45 -03
6,	O'ROURKE Derval IRL 2006 World Indoor Champion ... shared 2006 European silver with Kirsten Bolm 100 pb: 11.54 -05. sf WJC 2000; 4 under-23 ECH 2003 (2001-7); ht OLY 2004/2008; 1 WIC 2006 (2003-sf); =2 ECH 2006; 3 EIC 2009 (2002-ht, 2005-sf); 4 WCH 2009 (2003-ht, 2005/2007-sf). 1 Irish indoor 99-2006. 1 Irish 2001/2002/2004/2005/2006/2007/2008. Former gymnast & hockey player ... coach-Sean Cahill In 2009: 2 Irish indoor; 3 EIC; 5 Bydgoszcz; 9 Berlin Golden League; 4 Ostrava; 1 ETCh 2nd League; 1 Dublin 100; 6 Heusden; 3 Karlstad; 1 Loughborough European Permit; 6ht Stockholm; 4 WCH; 7 Zurich Golden League; 3 Zagreb	28y	99d	1981	12.67	12.67 -09
7,	GOLDING-CLARKE Lacena JAM 2002 Commonwealth Games Champion at 100mH ... 1999 Central American LJ Champion ... 4x Jamaican LJ Champion 12.67w -05. LJ pb: 6.87 -98. 1 Pan-Am junior LJ 93; 8 WJC LJ 94 (92-6); dnq WCH LJ 95/97; dnq OLY LJ 96/2000; 3 Central American & Caribbean LJ 98; 4 COM LJ 98; 1 COM 2002; 4 WIC 2003/2008 (2001-8, 2004-6, 2006-6); 3 Pan-Am Games 2003; 8 WCH 2003 (2007/2009-sf); 5 OLY 2004; 4 COM 2006. 1 Jamaican LJ 94/96-99. Husband-400m runner Davian Clarke (6th OLY 2004) is now retired and is now a policeman In 2009: 1 Orlando; 2 Texas Relays; 1 Austin; 5 Kingston; 4 Doha; 2 Ponce; 2 Hengelo; 1 Warsaw; 2 Bydgoszcz; 3 Berlin Golden League; 3 Jamaican; 6 Lucerne; 7 Paris Golden League; 3 Heusden; 5 Réthymno; 6ht Stockholm; 4sf WCH; 4 Tallinn; 4 Zagreb	34y	168d	1975	12.73	12.68 -05
8,	BERINGS Eline BEL 2009 European Indoor Champion ... Belgian record holder ... 7 World Youth 2003; sf WJC 2004; 1 EJC 2005; ht ECH 2006; 4 under-23 ECH 2007; 6 WSG 2007; ht WCH 2007; sf WIC 2008; 1 EIC 2009 (2007-8); sf WCH 2009. 1 Belgian 2005/2007/2009. Student of Psychology at the University of Gent ... coach-Wim Van de Ven was Belgian Champion at 110m Hurdles in 1990 and was also the coach (now partner) of Tia Hellebaut In 2009: 1 Belgian indoor; 1 EIC; 1 Brasschaat; 4 Hengelo; 6 Bydgoszcz; 8 Berlin Golden League; 6 ETCh 1st League 'A'; 8 Oslo Golden League; 1 Liège; 5 Heusden; 1 Belgian; 6sf WCH	23y	99d	1986	12.94	12.94 -09
9,	OFILI Tiffany USA 2009 US Collegiate Champion indoors & out, representing the University of Michigan 12.57w -09. LJ pb: 6.48 -09. 1 NCAA in/out 2009 In 2009: 1 NCAA indoor; 1 Texas Relays 'B'; 2 Ypsilanti 100/200; 9 Penn Relays LJ; 1 Drake Relays; 2 Columbus 100 (3 LJ, 4 200); 1 Ann Arbor; 1 "Big 10" Conference/LJ (2 100); 1 Louisville; 1 NCAA; 4 US Champs; 3 Lucerne; 1 Heusden; 6 London; 6 Stockholm; 7 Gateshead	21y	295d	1987	12.77	12.73 -08

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Women's High Jump

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Golden League Event



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

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	RYAN Deirdre IRL Irish record holder ... dnq World Youth 99; dnq EIC 2002/2005/2007/2009; 13 ECH 2006; dnq EIC 2007; dnq WCH 2009. 1 Irish 2000/2002/2004/2006/2009. 1 AAA 2006. Coach-Lucy Moore ... 1.83 tall In 2009: dnq EIC; 5 Rabat; 5 Baunatal; =2 Bydgoszcz; 4 ETCh 2nd League; 3 Lille; 1 Cork; 3 Eindhoven; 1 Heusden; 5 London; 1 Irish; dnq WCH; 1 Falkirk Cup; 7 Zagreb	27y	95d	1982	1.91	1.92 -06
2,	MELFORT Melanie FRA (Née Skotnik) ... 2003 German Champion, her transfer to France approved by the IAAF from March 6, 2005 ... French indoor record holder 5 World Youth 99; 5 WJC 2000; 5 under-23 ECH 2003; dnq WIC 2004; 3 ECP 2005/2007 (2006-6); 2 Mediterranean Games 2005; =5 EIC 2007; =7 WCH 2007 (2005-dnq, 2009-9); dnq OLY 2008. 1 German 2003 & French 2007/2008/2009. She has double nationality (mother-French, father-German), she opted to compete for France in 2004 ... coach/husband-Jimmy Melfort ... 1.82 tall In 2009: 1 Haguenau; 1 Reims; 1 Forbach; 2 Strasbourg; 2 Tomblaine; 6 Lille; 2 Metz; 8 Rome Golden League; 1 Reims; 6 London; 1 French; 5 Monaco; 9 WCH; 8 Zurich Golden League	26y	300d	1982	1.93	1.96 -07
3,	SLESARENKO Yelena RUS Former Olympic Champion, fourth in Osaka & Beijing ... HJ pb: 2.06 -04. 4 EJC 2001; =5 EIC 2003; 2 under-23 ECH 2003; 3 WSG 2003; 1 WIC 2004/2006 (2008-2); 1 OLY 2004 (up to 2.06 with no failures then near to 2.10); 5 ECH 2006; 1 WCP 2006; 1 ECP 2007; 4 WCH 2007 (2009-10); 4 OLY 2008. 1 Russian indoor 2002/2004/2006 & outdoor 2005 ... studied PE at the Academy of Volgograd ... coach-Marina Apanasenko ... she turned to athletics after failing as a ballet dancer ... suffered stress fracture to her take-off leg in 2005 ... 1.78 tall In 2009: 1 Bydgoszcz; 8 Berlin Golden League; 2 Russian; 10 WCH; 5 Zagreb	27y	188d	1982	1.96	2.06 -04
4,	GREEN Emma SWE (Green pronounced "Grehn") ... 2005 World bronze ... 1.98i -08. TJ pb: 13.69i -06. LJ pb: 6.41 -05. 200 pb: 23.02 -06. 1 European Youth 2001; 9 WJC 2002; 3 EJC 2003; 8 EIC 2005; 2 under-23 ECH 2005; 3 WCH 2005 (2007/2009-7=); dnq WIC 2006/2008; 5 ECP 2006; 11 ECH 2006; dnq EIC 2007; dnq WIC 2008; 9 OLY 2008. 1 Swedish 2005/2008. 1 Swedish 2005/2007/2008/2009. Uncle-Göte Green was a national class 400m-runner (47.9) in the 1970s ... coach-Yannick Tregaro (same as Christian Olsson) ... 1.80 tall In 2009: 1 Gothenburg; 5 Berlin Golden League; 5 ETCh; 7 Oslo Golden League; 5 Athens; =7 WCH; 1 SWE v FIN	24y	269d	1984	1.96	1.97 -05
5,	SHKOLINA Svetlana RUS 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	23y	179d	1986	1.98	1.98 -08/09
6,	AITOVA Marina KAZ Asian record record, but not the Kazakhstan record holder because that mark (2.01 Olga Turchak 1986) was set before her country was part of Asia in political terms 4 World Youth 99; =9 WJC 2000; 1 Asian junior 2001; 3 Asian Champs & Asian Games 2002; 1 Central Asian Games 2003; 1 Afro-Asian Games 2003; 3 WCP 2006; 1 Asian Games 2006; 1 WSG 2007; =7 WCH 2007 (2003/2009-dnq); 5 WIC 2008; =10 OLY 2008 (2004-dnq) ... 1.77 tall In 2009: 4 Doha; 1 Filothei; 1 Kalamáta; 3 Strasbourg; 3 Turin; 2 Gothenburg; 3 Berlin Golden League; 6 Rome Golden League; 1 Athens; 4 Paris Golden League; dnq WCH; 2 Eberstadt	26y	356d	1982	1.99	1.99 -09
7,	GORDEYEVA Irina RUS =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	22y	330d	1986	2.02	2.02 -09
8,	DI MARTINO Antonietta ITA 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	31y	95d	1978	2.00	2.03 -07
9,	HOWARD Chaunte USA 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	25y	235d	1984	1.98	2.01 -06

- 10, BEITIA Ruth** ESP **30y** 156d 1979 **2.01** **2.02 -07**
(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
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- 11, CHICHEROVA Anna** RUS **27y** 44d 1982 **2.02** **2.04 -08**
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
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- 12, VLASIC Blanka** CRO **25y** 300d 1983 **2.08** **2.08 -09**
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 Thessaloniki; 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 (2.08, a personal best and her 80th contest at two metres or higher)

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Golden League Event



2009 World Best: 5.06 Yelena Isinbayeva RUS Zurich 28 Aug 09

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	GADSCHIEW Kristina GER 2 WSG 2007 (2009-3); 5 EIC 2009; 10 WCH 2009 ... 1.70 tall In 2009: 1 German Universities indoor; 3 German indoor; 5 EIC; 1 German Univeristies; 4 Rabat; 2 Rehlingen; 2 Saulheim; 1 Regensburg; 7 Berlin Golden League; 1 Ingolstadt; 3 Hof; 3 Lille; 2 German; 3 World Student Games; 6 Athens; 3 London; 5 Leverkusen; 10 WCH	25y	62d	1984	4.58	4.58 -09
2,	DENNISON Kate GBR Sixth at 2009 World Championships ... British record holder indoors & out 3 European Youth 2001; 7 WJC 2002; =11 EJC 2003; 5 ECP 2006; dnq ECH 2006; dnq EIC 2007; dnq OLY 2008; 6 WCH 2009. 1 AAA under-17 2000; 1 AAA junior 2001/2002/2003; 1 AAA under-23 2004; 1 AAA indoor 2006. 1 UK 2007 & indoor 2007/2008/2009. 1 English Schools 2001. Ex-Gymnast ... her older brother Bruce was an international gymnast ... she has a degree in Psychology from Staffordshire University ... born-Durban, moved to Britain aged 4 ... operations on both Achilles tendons in September 2008 ... coach-Steve Rippon ... 1.72 tall In 2009: 1 UK indoor; 6 EIC; 3 Sopot; 1 Prague (Jun 8); 1 Prague (Jun 10); 4 ETCh; 2 Hof; 2 Madrid; 1 UK Champs; 5 London (4.58, her eighth UK record of 2009 – 3 in + 5 out); 3 Leverkusen; 6 WCH; 7 Zurich Golden League; 2 Beckum	25y	119d	1984	4.58	4.58 -09
3,	JOHNSON Chelsea USA Shared 2009 World silver with Monika Pyrek ... Twice US Collegiate Champion, representing the UCLA =2 WCH 2009. 1 NCAA 2004 & indoor 2006. Daughter of Jan Johnson, 1972 Olympic Pole Vault bronze medallist ... self-coached ... 1.75 tall In 2009: 1 San Luis Obispo; 1 Westwood; 1 Mt. SAC Relays; nh Carson; 3 New York; 1 Walnut; 1 Toronto; 2 US Champs; 6 Madrid; 3 Athens; 3 Lucerne; 4 Paris Golden League; 1 Jockgrim; 6 London; =2 WCH; 6 Zurich Golden League; nh Beckum	25y	258d	1983	4.65	4.73 -08
4,	KIRYASHOVA Aleksandra RUS Former World Student Games Champion ... 2 World Youth 2001; 3 EJC 2003; nh WJC 2004; dnq EIC 2007; 1 under-23 ECH 2007; 1 WSG 2007; 4 EIC 2009; 9 WCH 2009. 1 Russian under-23 2007 ... 1.66 tall In 2009: 2 Russian indoor; 4 EIC; 3 Doha; 1 European Clubs Cup; 4 Hengelo; 2 Warsaw; 8 Berlin Golden League; nh Málaga; 1 Lille; 1 Madrid; 2 Lappeenranta; 4 Russian; 1 Russian Cup; 9 WCH	24y	14d	1985	4.65	4.65 -09
5,	BATTKE Anna GER 2009 European Indoor bronze ... 3 under-23 ECH 2007; 8 WIC 2008; 3 EIC 2009; =7 WCH 2009 ... 1.73 tall In 2009: 2 German indoor; 3 EIC; nh Hengelo; 1 Saulheim; 2 Regensburg; 5 Berlin Golden League; 1 Baden-Württemberg champs; nh German; 7 Rome Golden League; nh Paris Golden League; nh London; nh Leverkusen; =7 WCH; 4 Beckum	24y	244d	1985	4.68	4.68 -09
6,	SPIEGELBURG Silke GER Twice Olympic finalist ... in an upset, she won 2008 World Athletics Final 4.75i -09. 1 World Youth 2001; 8 WJC 2002; 1 EJC 2003/2005; 8 WIC 2006; 6 ECH 2006; 4 under-23 ECH 2007; 3 ECP 2008; 7 OLY 2008 (2004-13=); 2 EIC 2009 (2007-5); 3 ETCh 2009; 4 WCH 2009 (2007-nh final). 1 German 2006/2009. Younger sister of Richard Spiegelburg (pb 5.85). On August 25, 2005 in Münster she broke the world junior record of Yelena Isinbayeva with 4.48 ... coach-Leszek Klima ... 1.73 tall In 2009: 1 German indoor (broke German indoor record with 4.71); 2 EIC; 1 Doha; 1 Rabat; 1 Hengelo; 9 Berlin Golden League; 3 ETCh; 1 Málaga; 1 German; 5 Rome Golden League; nh Paris Golden League; 1 Leverkusen; 4 WCH; 4 Zurich Golden League	23y	171d	1986	4.70	4.70 -08/09
7,	MURER Fabiana BRA South American record holder ... shared 2008 World indoor bronze ... 10 WJC 2000 (98-dnq); 1 Ibero-American 2006; 2 WCP 2006; 1 South American 2006/2007/2009; 1 Pan-American 2007; =3 WIC 2008 (2006-dnq); =10 OLY 2008; 5 WCH 2009 (2005-dnq, 2007-6=). 1 Brazilian 2005/2006/2008/2009 ... Coach-Élson Miranda de Souza ... 1.72 tall She received a special award from her federation in consolation for her bad luck in Beijing, where the organisers lost her poles before the Olympic final In 2009: nh Río de Janeiro; 1 Belém; 1 Brazilian; =3 Berlin Golden League; 1 South American; 5 Oslo Golden League; 4 Rome Golden League; 5 Paris Golden League; 5 WCH; 3 Zurich Golden League; 1 Beckum	28y	172d	1981	4.82	4.82 -09
8,	PYREK Monika POL (Pronounced "Pir-eck") ... 2005 & 2009 World silvers, 2003 world bronze ... 2001 European under-23 Champion ... has set 68 Polish records indoors or out though now supplanted by Anna Rogowska 10 EJC 97; 3 WJC 98; 1 under-23 ECH 2001; 3 EIC 2002 (2000-9); 3 WIC 2003 (99-11, 2004-5=, 2006/2008-4); 4 OLY 2004 (2000-7, 2008-5); 2 WCH 2005 (2001-3, 2003-4=, 2007-4, 2009-2=); 1 ECP 2006/2007 (2002-2, 2004-4); 2 ECH 2006 (98-7, 2002-dnq); 5 WCP 2006; 1 ETCh 2009. 1 Polish 99-2002/2004/2005/2007/2008 (1 indoor 99/2000/2002/2003/2004/2005/2008) ... voted Polish woman athlete of 2003 ... coach-Vyacheslav Kalinichenko ... 1.70 tall In 2009: 1 Polish indoor; 1 Biala Podlaska; 5 Warsaw; 2 Berlin Golden League; 1 ETCh; 2 Oslo Golden League; 8 Rome Golden League; 5 Paris Golden League; 3 London; =2 WCH; 5 Zurich Golden League	29y	23d	1980	4.78	4.82 -07
9,	ROGOWSKA Anna POL 2009 World Champion ... 2004 Olympic bronze ... 2006 World indoor silver ... Polish record holder indoors & out dnq EIC 2002; =7 ECH 2002; 3 under-23 ECH 2003; 3 OLY 2004 (2008-10=); 2 EIC 2005 (2007-3); 1 ECP 2005 (2008-2); 2 WIC 2006 (2003-6=, 2008-6); 1 WCH 2009 (2003-7, 2005-6=, 2007-8). 1 Polish 2009 ... started at 100m hurdles ... coach/husband-Jacek Torlinski (his pb 4.85) ... 1.70 tall In 2009: 6 Donyetsk; 1 Sopot; 1 Warsaw; =3 Berlin Golden League; 1 Hof; 4 Oslo Golden League; 6 Rome Golden League; 2 Paris Golden League; 1 London; 1 Polish (beat Isinbayeva); 1 WCH; 2 Zurich Golden League	28y	106d	1981	4.80	4.83 -05

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Twice Olympic, twice World, three times World Indoor Champion ... has now set 15 world records outdoors & 12 indoors

9 WJC 98; 1 World Youth 99; 5 EJC 99; 1 WJC 2000; 1 EJC 2001; 1 European under-23 2003; 1 WIC 2004/2006/2008 (2001-7, 2003-2); 1 OLY 2004/2008 (2000-dnq); 1 EIC 2005 (2000-7); 1 WCH 2005/2007 (2003-3, 2009-nh final); 1 ECH 2006 (2002-2); 1 WCP 2006. 1 Russian indoor 2000/2002 ... has pet cat named "Dasha" ... coach-Vitaliy Petrov, she has a home in Monaco and trains with Petrov in Formia ... "my goal is to finish my professional career at 5.20m" ... she says her dream outside athletics is to star in a film with Angelina Jolie ... 1.70/63kg
In 2009: 1 Donyetsk; 1 Birmingham indoor; 1 Prague indoor; 1 Berlin Golden League; 1 Oslo Golden League; 1 Rome Golden League; 1 Paris Golden League; 2 London (her latest win streak ended at 18 by Anna Rogowska POL); nh WCH final (4.75-x, 4.80-xx); 1 Zurich Golden League (5.06, her 27th world record)

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Women's Triple Jump

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

		Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1,	ALDAMA Yamilé SUD 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 Thessaloníki; 4 Madrid; 5 Lausanne; 6 Athens; 5 Monaco; dnq WCH	37y	20d	1972	14.48	15.29 -03
2,	BOLSHAKOVA Svetlana BEL Belgian record holder ... ex-Russia ... 14.28i -07. 2 World Youth 2001; 3 WJC 2003; 2 under-23 ECH 2005; dnq WCH 2009. 1 Russian under -23 2004. Married former Belgian High Jump Champion Stijn Stroobants on August 26, 2006, she received Belgian citizenship on July 13, 2008 In 2009: 1 Antwerp; 1 Lokeren; 4 Thessaloníki; 3 Sofia; 1 Heusden; dnq WCH; 4 Tallinn	24y	324d	1984	14.27	14.27 -09
3,	NZOLA MESO BA Teresa FRA 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	25y	278d	1983	14.40	14.69 -07
4,	VELDAKOVÁ Dana SVK 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 Thessaloníki; 1 ETCh 2nd League; 1 Slovak; 7 Madrid; 4 Lausanne; 3 Athens; 2 Heusden; 4 Monaco; 8 WCH	28y	93d	1981	14.43	14.51 -08
5,	TOPIC Biljana SRB (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	31y	322d	1977	14.52	14.52 -09
6,	SMITH Trecia JAM 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 Río 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	33y	303d	1975	14.48	15.16 -04
7,	PYATYKH Anna RUS 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	28y	153d	1981	14.67	15.02 -06
8,	ALEKHINA Nadezhda RUS (Née Bazhenova) 3x Russian Champion ... 4 EIC 2002; dnq WCH 2003/2005/2009; 3 WSG 2005. 1 Russian 2003/2005/2009 (1 indoor 2002). Coach-Aleksandr Kucherov In 2009: 4 Russian indoor; 3 Filothei; 2 Belgrade; 3 Dessau; 1 Sofia; 1 Metz; 1 Russian (advanced pb from 14.60 to 15.14); dnq WCH; 2 Tallinn; 4 Zagreb	30y	347d	1978	15.14	15.14 -09
9,	GAY Mabel CUB 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	26y	122d	1983	14.61	14.66 -07