

Celebrating South Africa's

ATHLETICS HERITAGE

Since readmission, South Africa has consistently made its mark on the global athletics stage. With significant growth in youth championship participation and numerous young athletes already excelling at the senior level, the future of track and field in South Africa looks bright.



Number of Medals

AT MAJOR ATHLETICS MEETS SINCE 2004

Olympic Games

10

Commonwealth Games

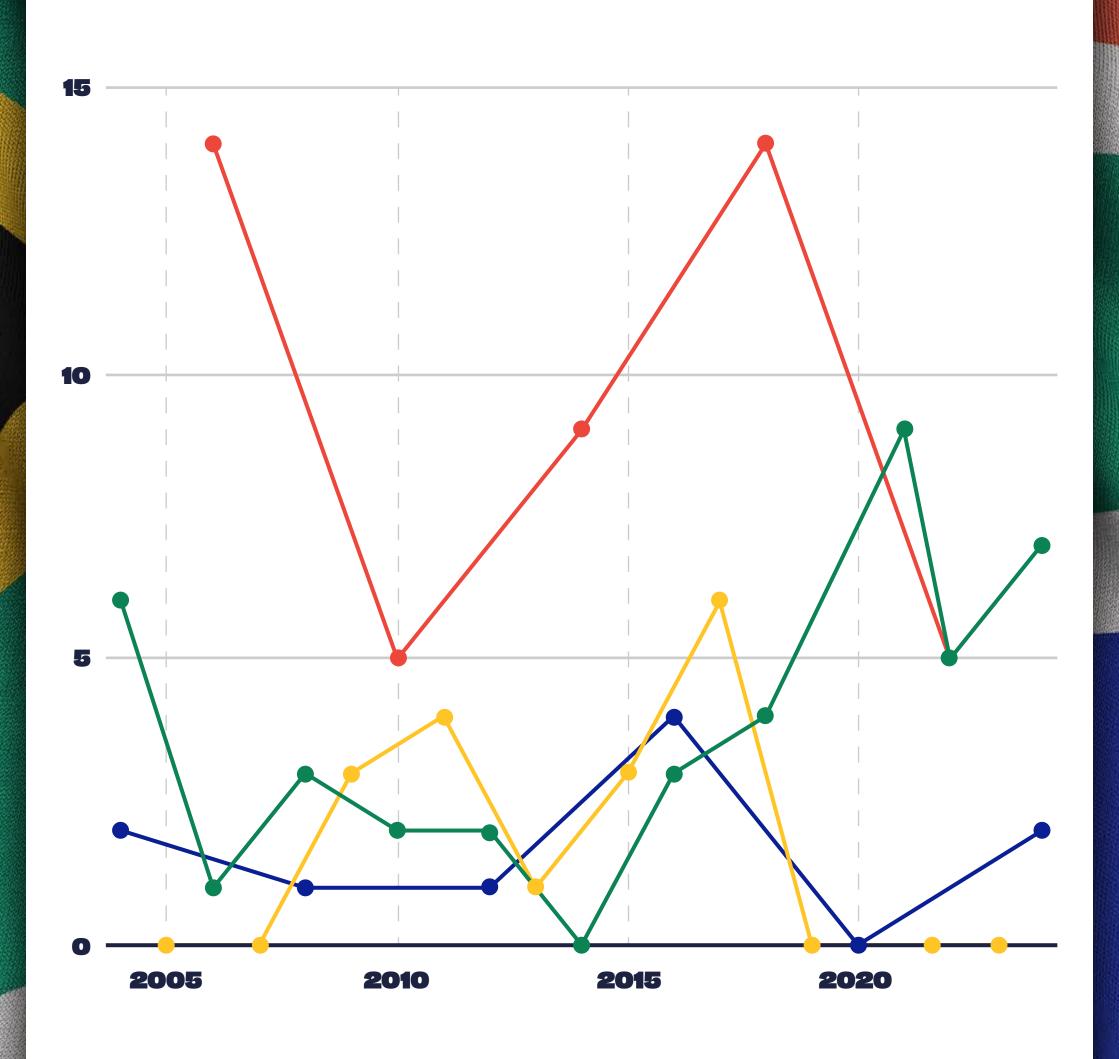
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World Championships

17

World U20 Championships

42





Number of Participants

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Olympic Games

133

Commonwealth Games

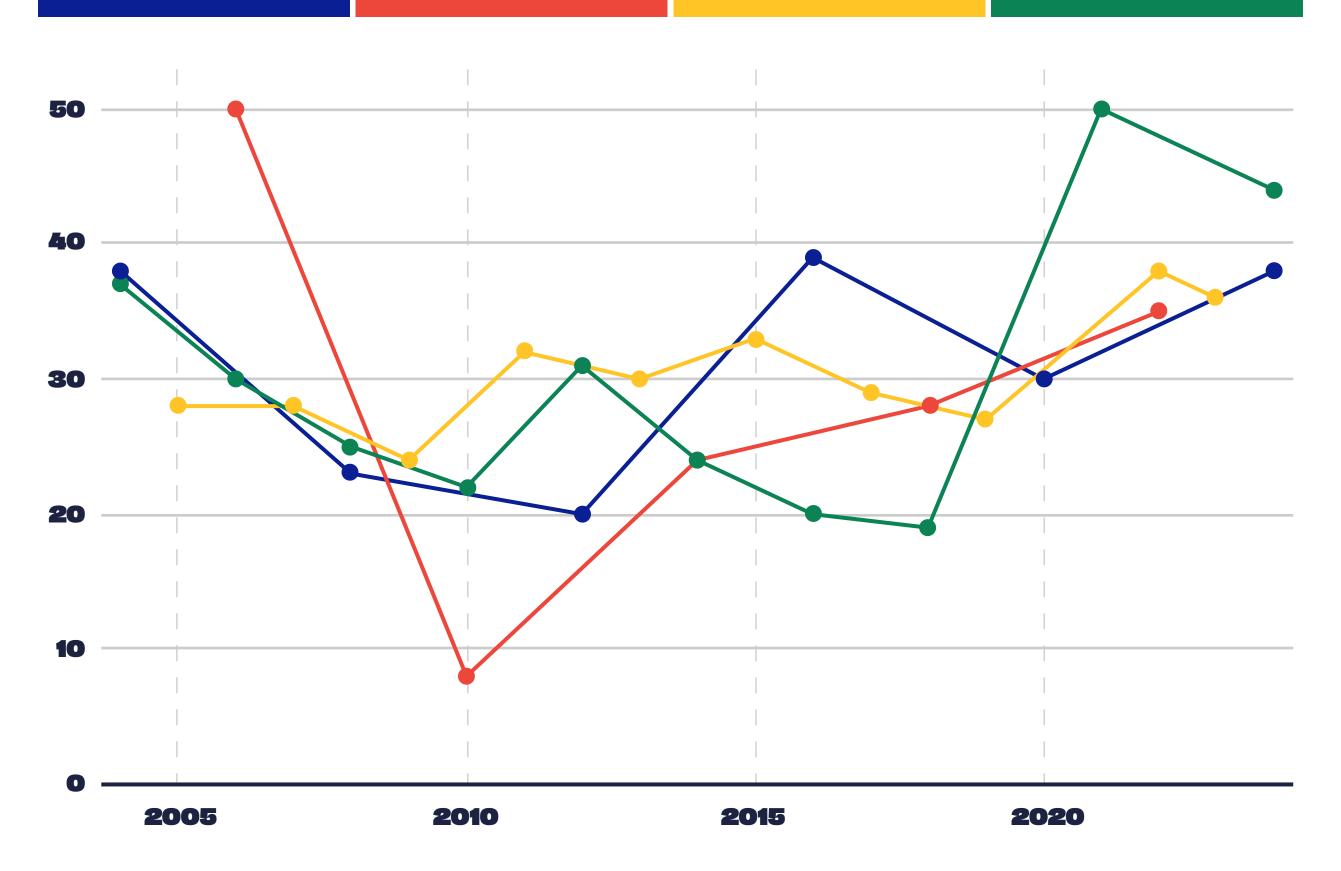
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World Championships

305

World U20 Championships

350



Participant Demographic

57% vs 48% MALE FEMALE IN UNIVERSITIES



Most Popular Athletics Stars



Wayde van Nierkerk

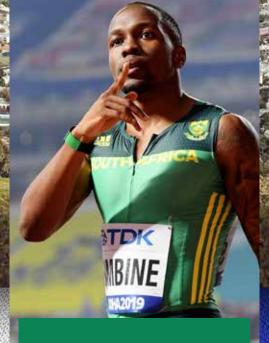
200m & 400m

© 377k

Caster Semenya

800m

© 253k



Akani Simbine

100m

© 172k



Gerda Steyn

Marathon

@ 87.4k



Shaun Maswangani 100m & 200m

Wayde van Nierkerk 400m gold and world record (43.03s) at the Rio 2016 Olympics





Caster Semenya's back-to-back 800m golds at the London 2012 and Rio 2016 Olympics

Men's 4x100m silver medal at the Paris 2024 Olympics.





Bayanda Walaza's 100m and 200m double gold at the 2024 World U20 Championships, the first man to achieve this double since 1998