

2008 BEIJING OLYMPIC GAMES

USA vs. China - August 10, 2008

TODAY'S OPPONENT - CHINA

China...Just The Facts

Best Olympic Finish: 8th in 2004 and 1996
Olympic Record vs. USA: 0-4
Last Senior Meeting: World Championship, 8-20-06
 USA 121-90
Last Olympic Meeting: 9-17-00 / USA 119-72
2007 Asia Qualifying Finish: 10th (3-4)
2006 World Championship Finish: T9th (2-4)

As the 2008 Olympics host country, China automatically qualified for the 2008 Summer Olympics.

Led by its two standout NBA players, 7'6" Yao Ming of the Houston Rockets and 7'0" Yi Jianlian of the New Jersey Nets, China is making its seventh consecutive appearance in the Olympics and is optimistic of improving on its 8th place showing at the 2004 Summer Games and a tied for 9th place finish at the 2006 FIBA World Championship.

At the 2006 World Championship Yao averaged 25.3 ppg. and 9.0 rpg., while playing 32.5 minutes a game. Wang Shipeng aided China's effort at the '06 Worlds and scored a team second best 11.5 ppg. Former NBAer Wang Zhizhi contributed 8.2 ppg. and Liu Wei ran the offense and was credited with 8.2 ppg. and a team high 4.5 apg. Yi Jianlian added 6.2 and 5.7 rpg.

NEXT UP - ANGOLA

Angola...Just The Facts

Best Olympic Finish: 10th in 1992
Olympic Record vs. USA: 0-3
Last Senior Meeting: 8-23-04 / USA 89-53
Last Olympic Meeting: 8-23-04 / USA 89-53
2007 Africa Qualifying Finish: 1st (6-0)
2006 World Champ. Finish: T9th (3-3)

The United States faces Angola on Aug. 12 in its second preliminary round game.

Angola has made an appearance in the last four Olympic basketball competitions, finishing 12th (0-6) in 2004 and 2000, 11th (1-6) in 1996 and 10th (2-5) in 1992. More recently, in the 2006 World Championship, Angola placed tied for ninth with a 3-3 record having earned wins over Panama, Japan and New Zealand.

Angola qualified for the 2008 Olympics after winning the 2007 African Championship that were held Aug. 15-26 in Angola. Angola defeated Cameroon 86-72 to take the title.

Eduardo Mingas recorded 18 points and six assists in the title game, while Eduardo Mingas and Miguel Lutonda added 13 points each.

Joaquim Gomes, MVP of the African Championship, led Angola averaging 15.2 ppg. and grabbed 8.3 rpg., while Eduardo Mingas added 14.3 ppg. and 7.0 rpg., Olimpio Cipriano 11.8 ppg., and Carlos Almeida added 10.8 ppg. In their overtime 108-103 loss to Germany, Cipriano erupted for 33 points.

2008 U.S. MEN'S OLYMPIC TEAM

NO	NAME	PPG	RPG	APG
15	Carmelo Anthony	15.4	5.2	1.8
4	Carlos Boozer	3.5	2.0	0.0
12	Chris Bosh	7.6	2.4	0.4
10	Kobe Bryant	13.4	2.2	3.6
11	Dwight Howard	10.0	5.2	0.4
6	LeBron James	15.3	4.5	4.0
5	Jason Kidd	1.0	2.0	2.0
13	Chris Paul	7.4	2.4	5.4
14	Tayshaun Prince	2.2	1.4	0.4
8	Michael Redd	9.6	1.6	0.2
9	Dwyane Wade	18.0	3.0	2.4
7	Deron Williams	6.4	2.0	5.0
USA TEAM		106.0	37.4	24.2
OPPONENT TEAM		75.0	36.0	13.6

NOTE: The above statistics are from the USA Basketball Men's Senior National Team Tour.

2008 USA SENIOR TEAM RESULTS

July 25	USA 120, Canada 65
July 31	USA 114, Turkey 82
Aug. 1	USA 120, Lithuania 84
Aug. 3	USA 89, Russia 68
Aug. 5	USA 87, Australia 76

U.S. MEN'S OLYMPIC SCHEDULE

Aug. 10 - 10:15 p.m. USA vs. China

Aug. 12 - 8:00 p.m. USA vs. Angola

Aug. 14 - 8:00 p.m. USA vs. Greece

Aug. 16 - 10:15 p.m. USA vs. Spain

Aug. 18 - 8:00 p.m. USA vs. Germany

Aug. 20 - TBD Quarterfinals

Aug. 22 - TBD Semifinals

Aug. 24 - TBD Finals

Olympic Success

The USA, gold medalists in 12 of the 15 Olympics in which it has played, has a remarkable 114-5 win-loss record for a 95.6 winning percentage. U.S. Olympic teams featuring NBA players are 29-3 and the U.S. has won three of the last four Olympic titles when NBA players have participated (1992, 1996 and 2000).

Men's basketball was first officially introduced internationally at the 1936 Olympics and the United States won 63 consecutive Olympic Games before seeing the streak come to a halt with the 51-50 controversial loss to the Soviet Union in the 1972 gold medal contest. Regrouping to win 21 straight between the 1976 Olympics and the semifinals of the 1988 Olympic Games, the USA's second loss came to the Soviet Union 82-76 in a semifinal clash.

While the USA's Olympic record is perhaps one of sports most dominating team achievements ever, below are some other notable basketball win streaks.

USA Olympic Basketball Team:

63 games, 8/1/36 - 9/9/72

USA Basketball Senior Teams:

75 games (17-0 in exhibition games and 58-0 in official FIBA competitions), 6/28/92 - 9/5/02

NBA:

33 games, Los Angeles Lakers, 11/5/71 -1/7/72

College Basketball:

88 games, UCLA, 2/6/71 - 1/19/74

Training, Training And More Training

Through international competitions in 2006, 2007 and 2008, the USA Senior National Team has logged a combined overall record of 28-1 while spending 104 days together.

The USA record includes a 5-0 tour showing prior to the 2006 World Championship, an 8-1 mark in the '06 World Championship, a 10-0 record in the 2007 FIBA Americas Championship, and most recently a 5-0 record during the team's 2008 Senior National Team tour.

Members of the Senior National Team program were together 42 days in 2006 (including the FIBA World Championship), and in 2007 the team was together for 24 days (including the 2007 FIBA Americas Championship). In 2008 the team will have had 38 days together when the the 2008 Olympic Games basketball competition concludes.

Compare that 2004 when the team was together for just 20 days (and played six exhibition games) before its first Olympic game and was together for a total of 34 days.

USA Basketball Senior Teams EXHIBITION HISTORY

Since filling its Senior National Team rosters with NBA stars in 1992, USA Basketball teams have compiled a 33-1 mark in exhibition games.

2008 (Pre-Olympics)

July 25, 2008	USA 120, Canada 65	Lqas Vegas, Nevada
July 31, 2008	USA 114, Turkey 81	Macao, China
Aug. 2, 2008	USA 120, Lithuania 84	Macao, China
Aug. 3, 2008	USA 89, Russia 68	Shanghai, China
Aug. 5, 2008	USA , Australia	Shanghai, China

2006 (Pre-World Championship)

August 15, 2006	USA 116, South Korea 63	Seoul, South Korea
August 13, 2006	USA 111, Lithuania 88	Seoul, South Korea
August 8, 2006	USA 90, Brazil 86	Guangzhou, China
August 7, 2006	USA 119, China 73	Guangzhou, China
August 3, 2006	USA 114, Puerto Rico 69	Las Vegas, Nevada

2004 (Pre-Olympics)

Aug. 10, 2004	USA 80, Turkey 68	Istanbul, Turkey
Aug. 8, 2004	USA 79, Turkey 67	Istanbul, Turkey
Aug. 6, 2004	USA 78, Serbia & Mont. 60	Belgrade, Serbia & Montenegro
Aug. 4, 2004	USA 80, Germany 77	Cologne, Germany
Aug. 3, 2004	Italy 95, USA 78	Cologne, Germany
July 31, 2004	USA 96, Puerto Rico 71	Jacksonville, Florida

2003 (Pre-Olympic Qualifying Tournament)

Aug. 17, 2003	USA 101, Puerto Rico 74	New York, New York
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2002 (Pre-World Championship)

Aug. 25, 2002	USA 91, Germany 73	Portland, Oregon
Aug. 22, 2002	USA 84, China 54	Oakland, California

2001 (Pre-Goodwill Games)

Aug. 30, 2001	USA 109, Australia 76	Melbourne, Australia
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2000 (Pre-Olympics)

Sept. 9, 2000	USA 89, Australia 64	Melbourne, Australia
Sept. 6, 2000	USA 105, Japan 49	Saitama, Japan
Sept. 5, 2000	USA 95, Spain 66	Saitama, Japan
Sept. 2, 2000	USA 111, Canada 70	Honolulu, Hawaii
Aug. 31, 2000	USA 99, Canada 70	Honolulu, Hawaii

1999 (Pre-Olympic Qualifying Tournament)

July 11, 1999	USA 97, Canada 69	Orlando, Florida
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1996 (Pre-Olympics)

July 14, 1996	USA 128, Greece 62	Indianapolis, Indiana
July 12, 1996	USA 118, Australia 77	Salt Lake City, Utah
July 10, 1996	USA 119, China 58	Phoenix, Arizona
July 7, 1996	USA 109, Brazil 68	Cleveland, Ohio
July 6, 1996	USA 96, USA Select 90	Detroit, Michigan

1994 (Pre-World Championship)

July 31, 1994	USA 113, USA Goodwill Games Team 75	Oakland, California
July 26, 1994	USA 114, Germany 81	Charlotte, North Carolina

1992 (Pre-Olympics)

July 21, 1992	USA 111, France 71	Monte Carlo, Monaco
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Giving Back

August 4 was a day of giving back to China for the USA men. USA Team members Deron Williams, Tayshaun Prince and Michael Redd, along with NBA legends Willis Reed, Dominique Wilkins and Sam Perkins, visited the Shanghai Medical Children's Center and several children who were recovering from injuries suffered in the Sichuan earthquake. Later that Monday evening, in conjunction with the Shanghai Charity Foundation, Chis Bosh, Carlos Boozer and Dwyane Wade, USA Basketball Men's Senior National Team Managing Director Jerry Colangelo, and the NBA legends, assisted at a charity auction in Shanghai that raised \$438,142.

Growing Older

The average age of the 12 players named to the 2008 U.S. Team by the end of the '08 Olympics will be 26.08. The USA team at the FIBA Americas Championship averaged 26.00, the USA team at the 2006 FIBA World Championship averaged 24.50 years of age.

For Olympic teams, the 2004 U.S. squad was the youngest of the five U.S. Olympic teams comprised of NBA players. The average age for past Olympic teams was:

2004-23.6	1984-21.3	1960-22.7
2000-27.7	1980-20.4	1956-23.8
1996-29.4	1976-20.9	1952-23.2
1992-29.0	1972-20.6	1948-24.4
1988-21.6	1968-22.8	1936-25.4
	1964-23.6	

Championship Streak Alive

Two Olympic Team members, Kobe Bryant and Tayshaun Prince, have won NBA Championships, while the USA Senior National Team roster features at least one member of each of the nine NBA championship teams since 2000. Chauncey Billups (2004), Kobe Bryant (2000, 2001 and 2002), Bruce Bowen (2003, 2005 and 2007), Paul Pierce (2008) and Dwyane Wade (2006) were each members of NBA championship teams.

An Internationally Experienced Coaching Staff

USA head mentor Mike Krzyzewski is experienced in international hoops at the senior level. In addition to leading this year's version to a 5-0 record in its Senior Team Tour, he directed last summer's USA FIBA Americas Championship Team that finished 10-0 to win the gold, and was head coach of the 2006 USA World Championship Team that finished 8-1 and won bronze. He also directed the 1990 USA World Championship Team, a team made up of collegians, to a bronze medal placing in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and led the U.S. to a silver medal at the Goodwill Games in 1990. Coach K served as an assistant coach with the historic 1992 USA "Dream Team" that won gold in Barcelona, Spain.

USA assistant coach Jim Boeheim is likewise an experienced international coach and has now been part of nine USA Basketball coaching staffs. He not only served as an assistant on Krzyzewski's 2007 FIBA Americas team and the 2006 and 1990 World Championship teams, but assisted with the 1990 Goodwill Games staffs, and has been head coach of four teams including the 2001 World Championship For Young Men that finished 8-0 to win it all.

Although he undertook his first USA Basketball coaching assignment in the summer of 2005 with the USA Senior National Team, NY Knicks mentor Mike D'Antoni might be the most internationally experienced coach having coached eight years and 449 games for teams in Italy. Portland mentor Nate McMillan got his first taste of manning the sidelines for USA Basketball two summers ago during the Senior National Team's pre-World Championship Tour and at the FIBA World Championship.

Twice Is Nice/Double Gold Or Better

Jason Kidd has an opportunity in 2008 to join the elite company of 12 American male basketball players who have won a pair of gold medals, while Carmelo Anthony, Carlos Boozer, LeBron James and Dwyane Wade have become part of a small group of 13 two-time U.S. Olympic basketball team members.

The elite multi-time Olympian grouping is led by three-time Olympian and medalist David Robinson (1996, 1992, 1988). The USA's only men's basketball player to make three Olympic appearances, "The Admiral" earned two gold (1992, 1996) and one bronze medal (1988) in Olympic action.

Eleven others U.S. players have appeared in two Olympics and won two gold medals including Charles Barkley (1992, 1996), Patrick Ewing (1984, 1992), Burdette Haldorson (1956, 1960), William Houglund (1952, 1956), Michael Jordan (1984, 1992), Robert Kurland (1948, 1952), Karl Malone (1992, 1996), Chris Mullin (1984, 1992), Gary Payton (1996, 2000), Scottie Pippen (1992, 1996), and John Stockton (1992, 1996).

The 13th USA player to have played in a pair of Olympics is Mitch Richmond (1988, 1996), he won one gold and one bronze medal.

49-0 -- Jason Kidd's Streak of Success

Jason Kidd is now a veteran of nine USA Basketball teams, and of the eight USA teams that have competed at a senior level, his record is a shimmering 49-0! Kidd was a member of the 1999, 2003 and 2007 USA Olympic qualifying teams and each finished 10-0 to capture gold and qualify the U.S. for the Olympics, he also aided the 2000 Olympic team to an 8-0 record and gold, and is 11-0 as a member of USA Senior Teams in international exhibitions.

On Top Of The World

The USA men stand on top of the FIBA World rankings with an 832.2 rating, while Argentina is No. 2 (726), Spain (580) is No. 3, Serbia (534) is No. 4 and Lithuania (486) closes out the top five. Greece (429), Italy (378), France (369), Australia (284) and Germany (284) rank sixth through 10th. The FIBA ranking system takes into account team results in all of the FIBA World Championships and FIBA Americas Championships and includes results since the 2000 Olympics. Additionally, each event is given importance value.

Getting Around -- Village Visit

The USA squad has been packing the most it can into this Olympic experience.

Visiting the Athlete Village on Wednesday (8/6/08) the team spent over four hours meeting USA teammate, athletes from around the globe.

"We had a blast," remarked Kobe Bryant about the team's visit to the village. "There were a lot of great athletes from different countries. I saw my man Pau (Gasol) and we spoke for about 30 minutes. It was good to catch up with him for a little bit. It was like seeing a brother you haven't seen in a long time.

On visiting with any athletes from other sports, Bryant said: "Oh yeah, Michael Phelps, Dara Torres, the whole USA swim team-we had a chance to meet up with them. We saw the Argentine basketball team. There were athletes all over the place. It was like Disney World for athletes."

On Friday (8/8/08) prior to conducting its formal press conference at the Main Press Center, the U.S. team met with Lopez Lomong who was selected by the USA team captains for the revered honor of being the United States flag bearer as he leads the USA delegation into the stadium during opening ceremonies. Lomong, who will compete in track & field in the 1,500 meters, told the team his emotional and incredible saga.

What Happened In 2007 And 2006

A Recap Of The 2007 FIBA Americas Championship

The 2007 USA Team rumbled over its opposition at the FIBA Americas Championship in Las Vegas, Nevada, and finished 10-0 to win gold and capture one of the FIBA Americas zone's two qualifying berths for the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

In winning its 10 games in just 12 days, the USA averaged 116.7 ppg., the most by a USA Senior National Team since the 1994 USA World Championship Team scored 120.1 ppg.; and the USA defeated its 10 opponents by an average of 39.5 ppg., the largest margin by a senior squad since the 1992 U.S. Olympic Team defeated its opponents by 43.8 ppg. The USA team led the FIBA Americas Championship team statistical rankings in 13 of 17 categories. An astounding 61.7 percent of the team's made field goals were assisted on.

Members of the 2007 USA FIBA Americas Championship Team included: Duke University Hall of Fame coach Mike

Krzyzewski was head coach, assistant coaches were Syracuse University and Hall of Fame coach Jim Boeheim, then Phoenix Suns head mentor Mike D'Antoni and Portland Trail Blazers head coach Nate McMillan.

Statistically, there were plenty of impressive individual stat lines. Anthony led the team's potent scoring attack averaging 21.2 ppg., James posted 18.1 ppg., Bryant added 15.3 ppg., Redd averaged 14.4 ppg., while Stoudemire and Howard posted 11.1 ppg. and 10.0 ppg., respectively.

A Recap Of The 2006 FIBA World Championship

The 2006 FIBA World Championship, expanded to 24 teams, proved to be the most competitive and exciting ever. Spain emerged as the 2006 World Champion after defeating Argentina in the semifinals, then Greece in the gold medal game. The U.S., after falling to Greece in the other semifinal game, rebounded to claim the bronze medal by beating 2004 Olympic champ Argentina in the bronze medal game.

Finishing with an 8-1 overall record, as a team, the U.S. finished ranked among the top leading teams in almost every offensive statistical category at the 2006 World Championship. The USA finished ranked first in scoring offense (103.6), first in field goal percentage (.503), first in assists (18.78), first in free throws made (182), first in assist-turnover ratio (1.74), second in scoring margin (+20.4), third in rebounding margin (+5.6), fourth in offensive rebounding (13.11), fifth in 3-pointers made (82) and seventh in 3-point shooting (.369). On the defensive statistical side, the U.S. also ranked first in steals (10.78), second in turnover margin (+7.44) and second in blocked shots (4.89).

Carmelo Anthony led the team in scoring averaging 19.9 ppg., while Dwyane Wade added 19.3 ppg., and LeBron James contributed 13.9 ppg. Chris Paul led the U.S. in assists handing out 4.89 apg., James and Dwight Howard paced the USA effort on the glass snatching 4.8 rpg. and 4.7 rpg., respectively.

The USA World Championship Team was comprised of players who were part of the USA Senior National Team program. Opening training July 19 in Las Vegas, a team of 14 finalists went 5-0 in its pre-World Championship tour.

Selected for the 2006 USA Basketball Men's World Championship Team were: Anthony; Shane Battier; Chris Bosh; Elton Brand; Kirk Hinrich; Howard; James; Antawn Jamison; Joe Johnson; Brad Miller; Paul; and Wade.

A History Course On The USA Men's Senior National Teams

Since first fielding in 1992 a team of legendary NBA stars, USA Basketball Senior National Teams have competed in 12 international basketball competitions and compiled a 92-7 record, while posting a record of 28-1 in exhibition games. Of all the wins and all the records established by these teams, no statistic has been more followed than the margin of victory.

<u>Team</u>	<u>Record / Victory Margin</u>
2007 FIBA Americas Champ. Team	10-0 / 39.5 points a game
2006 World Championship Team	8-1 / 20.5 points a game
2004 Olympic Team	5-3 / 4.6 points a game
2003 FIBA Americas Champ. Team	10-0 / 30.9 points a game
2002 World Championship Team	6-3 / 16.9 points a game
2001 Goodwill Games Team	5-0 / 36.2 points a game
2000 Olympic Team	8-0 / 21.6 points a game
1999 FIBA Americas Champ. Team	10-0 / 31.6 points a game
1996 Olympic Team	8-0 / 32.3 points a game
1994 World Championship Team	8-0 / 37.7 points a game
1992 Olympic Team	8-0 / 43.8 points a game
1992 Olympic Qualifying Team	6-0 / 51.5 points a game

The largest margin of victory in a single game for a USA Senior National Team is 79 points and was accomplished in the very first game featuring NBA stars in USA Basketball's red, white and blue uniforms. The USA Basketball "Dream Team" in its first game of the 1992 Tournament of the Americas in Portland, Oregon, romped past Cuba 136-57 (June 28, 1992).

How Did This All Happen?

NBA players first represented the U.S. in international basketball at the 1992 Tournament of the Americas in Portland, Ore., the Olympic qualifying tournament for FIBA's Americas Zone (North, South and Central America and the Caribbean).

Until 1989, FIBA's rules for international competitions prevented NBA players from participating in the Olympics or World Championships. Teams representing the USA at the Olympics (1936-88) and World Championships (1950-90) consisted of collegians or Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) players.

After a vote to change the rule fell just short (31-27, with 16 federations abstaining) of passing on June 30, 1986, a proposal to allow "open competition" overwhelmingly passed by a vote of 56-13 on April 7, 1989, at a specially convened FIBA World Congress. That vote cleared the way for NBA players' participation in FIBA events. 1992 saw USA Basketball send its now legendary Dream Team to the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. The USA collection of NBA superstars rolled to a perfect 8-0 slate and won the Olympic gold medal by an average point difference of 43.8 points a game, and spurred by the Dream Team, the popularity of basketball reached an all-time high.

USA BASKETBALL MEN'S OLYMPIC TEAM ROSTER

-- Numerical Roster --

NO	NAME	POS	HGT	WGT	DOB	PRO TEAM	SCHOOL
4	Carlos Boozer	F	6-9	258	11/20/81	Utah Jazz	Duke University
5	Jason Kidd	G	6-4	212	3/23/73	Dallas Mavericks	University of California
6	LeBron James	F	6-8	240	12/30/84	Cleveland Cavaliers	St.Vincent-St. Mary H.S. (OH)
7	Deron Williams	G	6-3	205	7/26/84	Utah Jazz	University of Illinois
8	Michael Redd	G	6-6	215	8/24/79	Milwaukee Bucks	Ohio State University
9	Dwyane Wade	G	6-4	212	1/17/82	Miami Heat	Marquette University
10	Kobe Bryant	G	6-6	220	8/23/78	Los Angeles Lakers	Lower Merion H.S. (PA)
11	Dwight Howard	F/C	6-11	265	12/08/85	Orlando Magic	Southwest Atlanta Christian Accd. (GA)
12	Chris Bosh	F	6-10	230	3/24/84	Toronto Raptors	Georgia Tech
13	Chris Paul	G	6-0	170	5/06/85	New Orleans Hornets	Wake Forest University
14	Tayshaun Prince	F	6-9	205	2/28/80	Detroit Pistons	University of Kentucky
15	Carmelo Anthony	F	6-8	230	5/29/84	Denver Nuggets	Syracuse University

Managing Director: Jerry Colangelo

Head Coach: Mike Krzyzewski, Duke University

Assistant Coach: Jim Boeheim, Syracuse University

Assistant Coach: Mike D'Antoni, New York Knicks

Assistant Coach: Nate McMillan, Portland Trail Blazers

Team Physician: Sheldon Burns, Minnesota Timberwolves

Athletic Trainer: Keith Jones, Houston Rockets

Athletic Trainer: Casey Smith, Dallas Mavericks

USA Basketball Senior Teams All-Time Results (92-7)

2007 Olympic Qualifier (10-0) / @ Las Vegas, Nevada

9/02	USA	118	Argentina	81	+37
9/01	USA	135	Puerto Rico	91	+44
8/30	USA	91	Argentina	76	+15
8/29	USA	118	Uruguay	79	+39
8/28	USA	117	Puerto Rico	78	+39
8/27	USA	127	Mexico	100	+27
8/26	USA	113	Brazil	76	+37
8/25	USA	113	Canada	63	+50
8/23	USA	123	U.S. Virgin Islands	59	+64
8/22	USA	112	Venezuela	69	+43

2006 FIBA World Championship (8-1) / @ Saitama, Japan

9/ 2	USA	96	Argentina	81	+15
9/ 1	Greece	101	USA	95	- 6
8/30	USA	85	Germany	65	+20
8/27	USA	113	Australia	73	+30
8/24	USA	103	Senegal	58	+45
8/23	USA	94	Italy	85	+ 9
8/22	USA	114	Slovenia	95	+19
8/20	USA	121	China	90	+31
8/19	USA	111	Puerto Rico	100	+11

2004 Olympic Games (5-3) / @ Athens, Greece

8/28	USA	104	Lithuania	96	+ 8
8/27	Argentina	89	USA	81	- 8
8/26	USA	102	Spain	94	+ 8
8/23	USA	89	Angola	53	+36
8/21	Lithuania	94	USA	90	- 4
8/19	USA	89	Australia	79	+10
8/17	USA	77	Greece	71	+ 6
8/15	Puerto Rico	92	USA	73	-19

2003 Olympic Qualifier (10-0) / @ San Juan, Puerto Rico

8/31	USA	106	Argentina	73	+33
8/30	USA	87	Puerto Rico	71	+16
8/28	USA	91	Puerto Rico	65	+26
8/27	USA	96	Mexico	69	+27
8/26	USA	94	Argentina	86	+ 8
8/25	USA	111	Canada	71	+40
8/23	USA	113	U.S. Virgin Islands	55	+58
8/22	USA	98	Venezuela	69	+29
8/21	USA	111	Dominican Republic	73	+38
8/20	USA	110	Brazil	76	+34

2002 FIBA World Championship (6-3)/@ Indianapolis, Indiana

9/7	Spain	81	USA	76	- 5
9/6	USA	84	Puerto Rico	74	+10
9/5	Yugoslavia	81	USA	78	- 3
9/4	Argentina	87	USA	80	- 7
9/3	USA	110	New Zealand	62	+48
9/2	USA	106	Russia	82	+24
8/31	USA	84	China	65	+19
8/30	USA	104	Germany	87	+17
8/29	USA	110	Algeria	60	+50

2001 Goodwill Games (5-0) / @ Brisbane, Australia

9/9	USA	91	Argentina	63	+28
9/8	USA	106	Brazil	98 (OT)	+ 8
9/5	USA	111	Cuba	70	+41
9/4	USA	97	Argentina	67	+30
9/3	USA	132	Mexico	58	+74

2000 Olympic Games (8-0) / @ Sydney, Australia

10/1	USA	85	France	75	+10
9/29	USA	85	Lithuania	83	+ 2
9/28	USA	85	Russia	70	+15
9/25	USA	119	China	72	+47
9/23	USA	102	New Zealand	56	+46
9/21	USA	85	Lithuania	76	+ 9
9/19	USA	93	Italy	61	+32
9/17	USA	106	France	94	+12

1999 Olympic Qualifier (10-0) / @ San Juan, Puerto Rico

7/25	USA	92	Canada	66	+26
7/24	USA	88	Argentina	59	+29
7/22	USA	115	Puerto Rico	76	+39
7/21	USA	83	Venezuela	61	+22
7/20	USA	90	Brazil	73	+17
7/19	USA	107	Dominican Republic	71	+36
7/18	USA	88	Cuba	52	+36
7/17	USA	103	Argentina	72	+31
7/16	USA	94	Canada	60	+34
7/15	USA	118	Uruguay	72	+46

1996 Olympic Games (8-0) / @ Atlanta, Georgia

8/3	USA	95	Yugoslavia	69	+26
8/1	USA	101	Australia	73	+28
7/30	USA	98	Brazil	75	+23
7/28	USA	102	Croatia	71	+31
7/26	USA	133	China	70	+63
7/24	USA	104	Lithuania	82	+22
7/22	USA	87	Angola	54	+33
7/20	USA	96	Argentina	68	+28

1994 FIBA World Championship (8-0) / @ Toronto, Canada

8/14	USA	137	Russia	91	+46
8/13	USA	97	Greece	58	+39
8/12	USA	111	Russia	94	+17
8/10	USA	134	Puerto Rico	83	+51
8/9	USA	130	Australia	74	+56
8/7	USA	105	Brazil	82	+23
8/5	USA	132	China	77	+55
8/4	USA	115	Spain	100	+15

1992 Olympic Games (8-0) / @ Barcelona, Spain

8/8	USA	117	Croatia	85	+32
8/6	USA	127	Lithuania	76	+51
8/4	USA	115	Puerto Rico	77	+38
8/2	USA	122	Spain	81	+41
7/31	USA	127	Brazil	83	+44
7/29	USA	111	Germany	68	+43
7/27	USA	103	Croatia	70	+33
7/26	USA	116	Angola	48	+68

1992 Olympic Qualifier (6-0) / @ Portland, Oregon

7/5	USA	127	Venezuela	80	+47
7/3	USA	119	Puerto Rico	81	+38
7/1	USA	128	Argentina	87	+41
6/30	USA	112	Panama	52	+60
6/29	USA	105	Canada	61	+44
6/28	USA	136	Cuba	57	+79

2008 OLYMPIC MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Preliminary Round Pool Groups

GROUP A

Argentina
Australia
Croatia
Iran
Lithuania
Russia

GROUP B

Angola
China
Germany
Greece
Spain
USA



Preliminary Round

Sunday, August 10 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Group A	Group B
9:00 a.m. Russia - Iran	
11:15 a.m.	Germany - Angola
2:30 p.m.	Spain - Greece
4:45 p.m. Lithuania - Argentina	
8:00 p.m. Australia - Croatia	
10:15 p.m.	USA - China

Tuesday, August 12 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Group A	Group B
9:00 a.m. Iran - Lithuania	
11:15 a.m. Croatia - Russia	
2:30 p.m.	Greece - Germany
4:45 p.m.	China - Spain
8:00 p.m.	Angola - USA
10:15 p.m. Argentina - Australia	

Thursday, August 14 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Group A	Group B
9:00 a.m.	Germany - Spain
11:15 a.m. Australia - Iran	
2:30 p.m.	Angola - China
4:45 p.m. Lithuania - Russia	
8:00 p.m.	USA - Greece
10:15 p.m. Argentina - Croatia	

Saturday, August 16 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Group A	Group B
9:00 a.m.	Greece - Angola
11:15 a.m. Russia - Australia	
2:30 p.m. Croatia - Lithuania	
4:45 p.m. Iran - Argentina	
8:00 p.m.	China - Germany
10:15 p.m.	Spain - USA

Monday, August 18 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Group A	Group B
9:00 a.m. Iran - Croatia	
11:15 a.m. Australia - Lithuania	
2:30 p.m.	Greece - China
4:45 p.m.	Angola - Spain
8:00 p.m.	USA - Germany
10:15 p.m. Argentina - Russia	

Quarterfinals

The top four finishing teams from each preliminary round group advance to the medal round quarterfinals. The fifth and sixth place finishers in each group will be eliminated and not play any further. The exact order and starting times for the quarterfinals and semifinals games will not be officially finalized until the evening of August 18 after all games have been completed. The quarterfinals game times are 2:30 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 8:00 p.m. and 10:15 p.m.

Tuesday, August 20 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Game 65:	B2 - A3
Game 66:	A1 - B4
Game 67:	A2 - B3
Game 68:	B1 - A4

Semifinals

The four winners of the quarterfinal games advance to the semifinals. The losers in the quarterfinals are eliminated and will not play any further. The semifinals game times are 8:00 p.m. and 10:15 p.m.

Thursday, August 22 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

Game 71:	Winner 65 - Winner 66
Game 72:	Winner 67 - Game 68

Finals

Saturday, August 24 (@Wukesong Basketball Arena)

12:00 p.m.	Bronze Medal Game:
2:30 p.m.	Gold Medal Game:

NOTE: All game times listed are Beijing, China local times. Beijing is 12 hours ahead of Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

2008 USA Basketball Men's Senior National Tour Results

Playing five games in just 12 days, the USA Basketball Men's Senior National Team rolled to a perfect 5-0 mark.

In its five exhibition games, the U.S. averaged 106.0 ppg. and owned a 31.0 margin of victory. The U.S. shot 61.6 percent from the field, 41.3 percent from 3-point and 70.0 percent from the foul line. Ther U.S. limited its opponents to 75.0 ppg., 41.2 percent shooting overall, 37.0 percent from 3-point, while forcing its foes into just over 20 turnovers a game.

USA 87, Australia 76

Led by a balanced offensive effort that saw Dwyane Wade pump in 22 points and three other U.S. team members score in double digits, the USA fought off a determined Australian squad 87-76 Aug. 5 in Shanghai in the team's final warm-up game before opening Olympic play.

Also aiding the USA cause were LeBron James, who was credited with 16 points; Kobe Bryant tossed in 13 points; Carmelo Anthony recorded a double-double of 12 points and 10 rebounds; Chris Bosh added nine points and Dwight Howard scored eight.

The USA found itself in a 17-13 hole with 2:53 to play in the opening stanza, but after tightening things up, the red, white and blue closed the quarter with a 9-2 run to secure a 22-19 lead after one period of play.

The USA lead was back to a single point, 26-25, following a drive and hoop from Australia's Brad Newley, however James took over and broke the game open scoring eight points in a 12-0 run that ballooned the American's lead to 38-25.

At halftime, the U.S. had its biggest lead of the first half 44-29. The U.S. defense again led the way limiting the Aussies to 4-of-14 shooting in the second quarter while pressuring them to cough up the ball eight times.

Australia open the third quarter on fire and behind three 3-pointers, two coming from David Barlow, outscored the U.S. 13-2 to close the gap to 46-42 with 6:52 remaining in the third.

Anthony nailed a jumper that launched the U.S. on a mini 7-2 offensive run that cushioned the USA lead to 53-44 and at the end of the third, the lead stood at 10, 65-55.

The USA advantage in the fourth quarter ranged between seven points (71-64 at 5:24) and 16 points (84-68 at 1:56), and the score ended 87-76, but only after Australia managed to outscore the U.S. 8-3 over the final 1:50.

The USA shot a respectable 50.8 percent from the floor for the night, but managed a frigid 3-of-18 from 3-point and further hindered its cause shooting just 20-for-33 from the foul line.

Five Aussies scored in double digits, led by 13 points from Chris Anstey and Saint Mary's University guard Patrick Mills. Barlow finished with 12, while CJ Bruton and Newley each tossed in 11 points.

USA 89, Russia 68

After being led to victories in its first three games by a high octane offense that averaged 118 points a game, the USA B turned to good old hard-nosed defense to propel it to a 89-68 victory over Russia in front of a sold-out Qizhong Forest Arena crowd of 14,523.

Kobe Bryant led the American offensive effort with a game high 19 points, while Carmelo Anthony finished with 17 points and seven rebounds, and Dwyane Wade recorded 16 points.

The U.S. scored the game's first five points and never trailed in Sunday's game, although Russia did fight back to share the lead at 9-9 with 4:51 left in the first quarter.

But Wade helped launch an 8-1 run with a 3-pointer as the Americans cushioned their lead to 17-10. Leading 22-16 with 1:16 remaining in the opening period, the USA posted a 7-1 run that was capped by a Deron Williams 3-pointer with :04 left that pushed the USA ahead 29-17.

The second period remained a physical battle and try as they might, Russia could not get the U.S. lead below eight. Getting five points from Wade, the USA posted a 7-3 run over the quarter's final 3:15 and at halftime the U.S. had upped its advantage to 46-31.

With the USA leading 50-33 and 8:19 to play in the third quarter, Bryant, who was selected the Player of the Game by a media panel, scored the USA's next 11 points on an assortment of dazzling moves, but still, with 3:34 left in the third, the USA lead stood at only 12, 61-49.

Russia cut the U.S. advantage to 10,

61-51, after a J.R. Holden hoop, but the red, white and blue finished out the quarter with a 10-0 run as Michael Redd (Milwaukee Bucks) drilled a pair of 3-pointers and Wade added a pair of baskets to leave the USA in charge 71-51 heading into the final 10 minutes.

LeBron James was the fourth USA player to score in double-figures after finishing with 10 points and six rebounds. Williams credited with nine assists to go with his five points, three rebounds and two steals.

The USA, which entered the game shooting a sizzling 66.2 percent from the field overall and 45.9 percent from 3-point, shot 57.1 percent from the floor versus Russia, and was a hot 53.8 percent (7-13 3pt FGs) from 3-point. Meanwhile, the USA defense forced Russia into 17 turnovers, and limited the defending European zone champ to 39.7 percent shooting from the field, including just 4-of-17 from 3-point.

USA 120, Lithuania 84

For all the doubters, Dwyane Wade showed he is back in full all-star form after tallying a game best 19 points, while U.S. center Dwight Howard added 17 points and the USA stormed to a convincing start-to-finish 120-84 victory over Lithuania (0-1) Aug. 1 in Macao, China.

The Americans set the tone on this one right from the opening tip that led to a LeBron James dunk.

With the game just 2:37 old, the U.S. had opened up a 10 point lead, 12-2, and the USA lead never fell below double digits in the first half and was only reduced to nine on one occasion in the third quarter.

Howard scored six of the USA's first eight points and with 7:23 left in the opening stanza the U.S. had sprinted to a 12-2 lead. The USA advantage quickly reached 20 after Howard made one of two free throws to push the score to 25-5 with 3:06 left in the quarter, and after one period the USA was up handedly, 31-15.

At intermission the U.S. owned a 17 point lead, 56-39. Lithuania finally found the range on its 3-point shooting and after draining its first four 3-balls of the third quarter, the USA's advantage had been cut to nine, 61-52.

Carmelo Anthony answered at the other end with a traditional three point

play to end the third quarter rally and push the U.S. lead back into double-digits, 64-52.

Turning back to its defense, the Americans sealed the game with a 16-3 offensive run during which Anthony poured in six points and had highlight passes to two teammates for crowd pleasing dunks.

Playing in front of another CotaiArena sellout crowd of 11,885, of the USA's 48 made baskets, 34 were assisted on. The U.S., which outscored Lithuania in fast break points 29-3, forced Lithuania into 23 turnovers.

The USA scoring was also aided by Michael Redd's (Milwaukee Bucks) 16 points that came off 4-of-6 shooting from 3-point, James finished with 15 points, Kobe Bryant (Los Angeles Lakers) tossed in 13 points and Anthony finished with 11 points. Chris Paul (New Orleans Hornets) and Deron Williams (Utah Jazz) accounted for seven assists each.

Lithuania was paced by Roimantas Kaukenas' 17 points.

USA 114, Turkey 82

LeBron James and Carmelo Anthony combined for 37 points on 13-of-15 shooting as the USA hounded Turkey for a 114-82 victory July 31 in the opening game of the USA Basketball International Challenge in Macao, China.

It was an impressive performance by James, who was selected Player of the Game. After missing the USA's opening game on July 25 while shaking off a mild sprained ankle, James was back at full speed and scored 20 points and made 8-of-9 shots and 3-of-4 free throws, while adding six rebounds, five steals and four assists in 22:31 of action.

Anthony likewise was impressive. Hitting for 17 points, Anthony made 5-of-6 shots, 2-of-3 3-pointers, 5-of-5 free throws, while collecting two assists and one steal in 17:14 of play.

The USA jumped out to 5-0 and 22-15 leads, but Turkey assembled a 12-2 run that was capped by a 3-pointer from Ender Arslan that propelled Turkey to a 27-24 lead with 1:42 to play in the first quarter. Dwyane Wade's back-to-back layups earned the U.S. a 28-26 advantage and the quarter ended with the Americans owning a 31-30 lead.

The USA's full-throttle offense and relentless defense began to pay dividends as the Americans outscored Turkey 23-7 in the second period.

With a 35-34 lead in hand early in the

second quarter, the USA got baskets from Dwight Howard, Wade, James and Kobe Bryant during an 8-0 spurt that pushed the U.S. lead to 43-34 with 6:42 to play in the second stanza. Ahead 43-37, the U.S. locked up the game with an 11-0 run to close the half up 54-37.

At the intermission, the USA had forced Turkey into 13 turnovers while making 10 steals.

The Americans outscored Turkey 33-22 in the third to expand its lead to 87-59 and cruised in for the 114-82 win.

Finishing in double figures in addition to James and Anthony were Howard, 14 points and a game high eight rebounds, Chris Bosh added 13 points as did Wade, while Chris Paul finished with 12 points and six assists. Kobe Bryant had an outstanding all-around performance, finishing with seven points, seven assists, five steals and a pair of boards.

Impressively, of the USA's 41 made shots, 29 were assisted on.

USA 120, Canada 65

Shooting lights-out in their only domestic exhibition contest, six players scored in double digits, including three with 20 points apiece as the USA opened its five-game exhibition series with a 120-65 victory over Canada on July 25 in the 2008 State Farm USA Basketball Challenge. Played in front of a sold-out crowd of 18,498 fans at Thomas & Mack Center in Las Vegas, Nev., and an ESPN nationally televised audience, the USA was led by 20 points each from Carmelo Anthony, Michael Redd and Dwyane Wade. The fan favorites also received 15 points from Kobe Bryant, Deron Williams notched 14 and Chris Paul tossed in 11 points and dished out eight assists.

Canada struck first but the U.S. soon overtook its neighbor to the north on a Wade three at 8:54 to give the USA a 5-2 lead and the home team never again trailed. The red, white and blue spent the first quarter getting warmed up and at the first break the U.S. was up 30-24.

In the first two minutes of the second period the USA built a double-digit pillow as it pulled away from the visitors 35-25. With its running game starting to take hold and the passes hitting their marks, the U.S. expanded its lead to 47-32 with 4:05 to play in the opening half. With 2:10 to go in the half and the USA's lead up to 52-35, the squad capped the first half on a 9-3 spurt that put the game virtually in the books, 61-38.

The second half turned into a highlight reel of no-look passes, steals, transition buckets and fierce dunks as the United States outscored Canada 24-18 in the third quarter and 25-9 in the fourth for the eventual exhibition win.

Dwight Howard grabbed a team-high seven of the USA's 38 boards and Anthony collected six.

Shooting a deadly 65.7 percent from the field, including an even 50 percent from 3-point land, the USA's defensive showing was equally impressive as its offense. Holding Canada to 33.3 percent of its attempts overall and 39.1 from beyond the arc, the U.S. also forced 24 Canada turnovers.

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USA Senior National Team Combined Team Statistics (as of Aug 05, 2008)

All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(5-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(5-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(5-0)

## Player	GP-GS	Min--Avg	---TOTAL---		---3-PTS---		FT-FTA	Pct	---REBOUNDS---				PF	FO	A	TO	Blk	Stl	Pts	Avg
			FG-FGA	Pct	3FG-FGA	Pct			Off	Def	Tot	Avg								
09 Wade, Dwyane.....	5-1	101 20.2	34-47	.723	5-7	.714	17-23	.739	6	9	15	3.0	11	0	12	9	1	11	90	18.0
15 Anthony, Carmelo...	5-5	105 21.0	26-50	.520	4-16	.250	21-22	.955	6	20	26	5.2	10	1	9	4	2	3	77	15.4
06 James, LeBron.....	4-4	103 25.8	26-39	.667	3-7	.429	6-11	.545	5	13	18	4.5	12	1	16	10	3	12	61	15.3
10 Bryant, Kobe.....	5-5	115 23.0	23-46	.500	7-19	.368	14-20	.700	2	9	11	2.2	16	0	18	9	1	11	67	13.4
11 Howard, Dwight.....	5-5	100 20.0	22-29	.759	0-0	.000	6-18	.333	3	23	26	5.2	12	0	2	5	5	8	50	10.0
08 Redd, Michael.....	5-0	64 12.8	16-29	.552	12-24	.500	4-6	.667	0	8	8	1.6	3	0	1	2	0	1	48	9.6
12 Bosh, Chris.....	5-0	65 13.0	12-15	.800	0-0	.000	14-16	.875	3	9	12	2.4	12	0	2	2	2	2	38	7.6
13 Paul, Chris.....	5-0	109 21.8	14-22	.636	4-8	.500	5-6	.833	4	8	12	2.4	16	1	27	8	0	3	37	7.4
07 Williams, Deron....	5-0	101 20.2	13-22	.591	1-6	.167	5-10	.500	3	7	10	2.0	7	0	25	10	1	7	32	6.4
04 Boozer, Carlos....	4-0	30 7.5	4-8	.500	0-0	.000	6-8	.750	1	7	8	2.0	4	0	0	2	2	1	14	3.5
14 Prince, Tayshaun...	5-0	44 8.8	5-11	.455	1-4	.250	0-0	.000	0	7	7	1.4	2	0	2	0	2	1	11	2.2
05 Kidd, Jason.....	5-5	64 12.8	2-2	1.000	1-1	1.000	0-0	.000	2	8	10	2.0	5	0	7	8	1	5	5	1.0
TEAM.....										4	20	24	6.0	0		0				
Total.....	5	1001	197-320	.616	38-92	.413	98-140	.700	39	148	187	37.4	110	3	121	69	20	65	530	106.0
Opponents.....	5	1001	128-311	.412	40-108	.370	79-119	.664	54	126	180	36.0	116	4	68	101	5	35	375	75.0

TEAM STATISTICS	USA	OPP	DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATTEND
SCORING.....	530	375	07/25/08	vs Canada	W	120-65	18498
Points per game.....	106.0	75.0	07/31/08	vs Turkey	W	114-82	11885
Scoring margin.....	+31.0	-	08/01/08	vs Lithuania	W	120-84	11885
FIELD GOALS-ATT.....	197-320	128-311	08/03/08	vs Russia	W	89-68	14523
Field goal pct.....	.616	.412	08/05/08	vs Australia	W	87-76	14028
3 POINT FG-ATT.....	38-92	40-108					
3-point FG pct.....	.413	.370					
3-pt FG made per game..	7.6	8.0					
FREE THROWS-ATT.....	98-140	79-119					
Free throw pct.....	.700	.664					
REBOUNDS.....	187	180					
Rebounds per game.....	37.4	36.0					
Rebounding margin.....	+1.4	-					
ASSISTS.....	121	68					
Assists per game.....	24.2	13.6					
TURNOVERS.....	69	101					
Turnovers per game.....	13.8	20.2					
Turnover margin.....	+6.4	-					
Assist/turnover ratio..	1.8	0.7					
STEALS.....	65	35					
Steals per game.....	13.0	7.0					
BLOCKS.....	20	5					
Blocks per game.....	4.0	1.0					
WINNING STREAK.....	5	-					
Home win streak.....	0	-					
ATTENDANCE.....	0	70819					
Home games-Avg/Game....	0-0	0-0					
Neutral site-Avg/Game..	-	5-14164					

SCORE BY PERIODS:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	Total
USA Senior National Team.	143	118	148	121	- 530
Opponents.....	105	69	113	88	- 375

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USA Senior National Team Season Schedule/Results & Leaders (as of Aug 05, 2008)

All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(5-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(5-0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(5-0)	(0-0)	(0-0)	(5-0)

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT		SCORE	ATTEND	HIGH POINTS	HIGH REBOUNDS
07/25/08	5:00 p.m.	vs Canada	W	120-65	18498	(20)Wade, Dwyane (20)Anthony, Carmelo (20)Redd, Michael	(7)Howard, Dwight
07/31/08	8:00 p.m.	vs Turkey	W	114-82	11885	(20)James, LeBron	(8)Howard, Dwight
08/01/08	8:00 p.m.	vs Lithuania	W	120-84	11885	(19)Wade, Dwyane	(5)Howard, Dwight (5)James, LeBron
08/03/08	3:00 p.m.	vs Russia	W	89-68	14523	(19)Bryant, Kobe	(7)Anthony, Carmelo
08/05/08	8:00 p.m.	vs Australia	W	87-76	14028	(22)Wade, Dwyane	(10)Anthony, Carmelo

* - Conference game

ATTENDANCE SUMMARY	GAMES	TOTALS	AVG/GAME
HOME.....	0	0	0
AWAY.....	0	0	0
NEUTRAL.....	5	70819	14164
TOTAL.....	5	70819	14164