



International  
**Paralympic**  
Committee

## Japan - 7 facts on the Sochi 2014 Paralympics

Japan has participated at all 10 previous Paralympic Winter Games (1976 - 2010)

- In 10 Winter Games the country has won 74 medals made up of 17 gold, 27 silver and 30 bronze
- More than half of Japan's 74 medals were won on home snow and ice. In Nagano in 1998 they won 41 medals
- Japan is the only National Paralympic Committee to have won the same number of medals in both genders at the Paralympic Winter Games; 37 in women's events and 37 in men's events
- Japanese women have won nine gold medals, one more than the Japanese men. The total medal count is: women – nine gold, 12 silver and 16 bronze; men – eight gold, 15 silver and 14 bronze.
- Kuniko Obinata has competed in five Paralympic Winter Games (1994-2010) and has won 10 medals in alpine skiing events, including two gold medals, making her Japan's most successful winter Paralympian
- Ice sledge hockey and wheelchair curling are the only two sports where Japan has yet to win a gold medal at the Winter Paralympics.

## Athletes:

### Alpine skiing

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Toshihiro	ABE		
Akira	KANO		
Gakuta	KOIKE		
Hiraku	MISAWA		
Taiki	MORII		
Momoka	MURAOKA		
Kenji	NATSUME		
Takeshi	SUZUKI		
Yoshiko	TANAKA		
Akira	TANIGUCHI		
Masahiko	TOKAI		



Fukutaro	YAMAZAKI		
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### Nordic skiing

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Yurika	ABE		
Momoko	DEKIJIMA		
Mayuko	ENO		
Kozo	KUBO		
Yoshihiro	NITTA	@yoshihiro_nitta	
Shoko	OTA		
Keiichi	SATO		

### Paralympic Winter Games debut: 1976

Year	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010
<b>Athletes</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>
Gold	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	2	3
Silver	0	0	0	0	0	3	16	0	5	3
Bronze	0	0	0	2	2	3	13	3	2	5
Total	0	0	0	2	2	6	41	3	9	11