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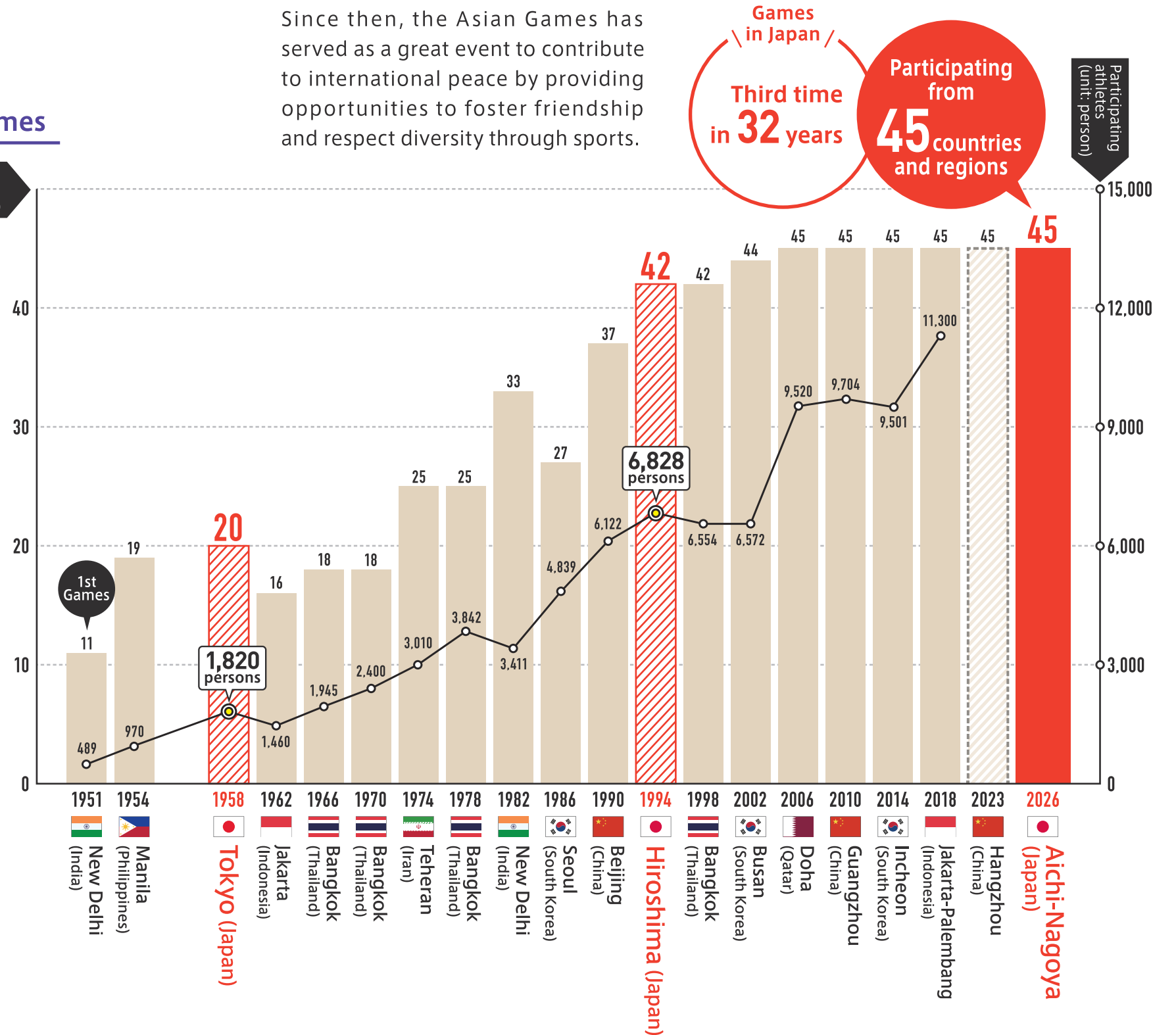
# What Is the Asian Games?



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## Past Games

Participating countries/regions(NOC)



Games in Japan /  
**Third time in 32 years**  
 Participating from **45** countries and regions

## Characteristics of the Games

The Asian Games is characterized by its extensive range of sports to be contested at the event, which include not only those contested at the Olympic Games, but also kabaddi, sepak takraw, and other sports popular in Asia.

## Sports Included in the Asian Games and the Olympic Games

**Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026**  
**41 sports** Athletes and Team Officials **Max. 15,000 persons**

**Olympic Games Tokyo 2020**  
**33 sports** Athletes and Team Officials **Max. 18,000 persons**

## Meet Supported by Many Volunteers

**18th Asian Games (2018/Jakarta-Palembang)**  
**13,000 persons**

**17th Asian Games (2014/Incheon)**  
**12,300 persons**

## Asian Games and Its History

The Asian Games, a quadrennial sporting event, is the largest sports celebration in Asia. Organized by the Olympic Council of Asia (OCA), the event draws athletes from 45 countries and regions in Asia. The first games took place in 1951, shortly after the end of the Second World War, in New Delhi, and athletes from 11 countries, including Japan, participated.

The meet embodied the hope that Asian countries, with their ties torn apart by the war, would be reunited through sports to contribute to establishing a permanent peace in Asia.

Since then, the Asian Games has served as a great event to contribute to international peace by providing opportunities to foster friendship and respect diversity through sports.

\*The number of participating countries and regions (NOC) and the number of participating athletes are quoted from the OCA website.

# What Is the Asian Games?

## 18th Asian Games (2018/Jakarta-Palembang)



18<sup>th</sup> ASIAN GAMES  
**Jakarta Palembang 2018**



### Attention Not Only from Asia but Also from the Rest of the World

The Games drew approximately **2.1** million spectators to the venues! The Games were broadcast domestically and internationally through **23** TV stations, attracting a total of approximately **5.3** billion viewers!

### Highly Influential Even in the Community of Social Media

Games-related YouTube videos have **approximately 130** million views!

### Excellent Performance by Japanese Athletes in Various Sports

Winning six gold medals and two silver medals, **Rikako Ikee**, a female swimmer, was selected as the **MVP** at the Games.



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### Main Gold Medal Winning Sports and Athletes



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Judo: Men's 73kg Mixed team

**Shohei Ono**



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Canoeing: Slalom Men's Canadian single

**Takuya Haneda**



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Badminton Women's team

Swimming: Women's 400m Individual medley

**Yui Ohashi**

Athletics: Men's 200m

**Yuki Koike**

Soccer Women's team

... and more



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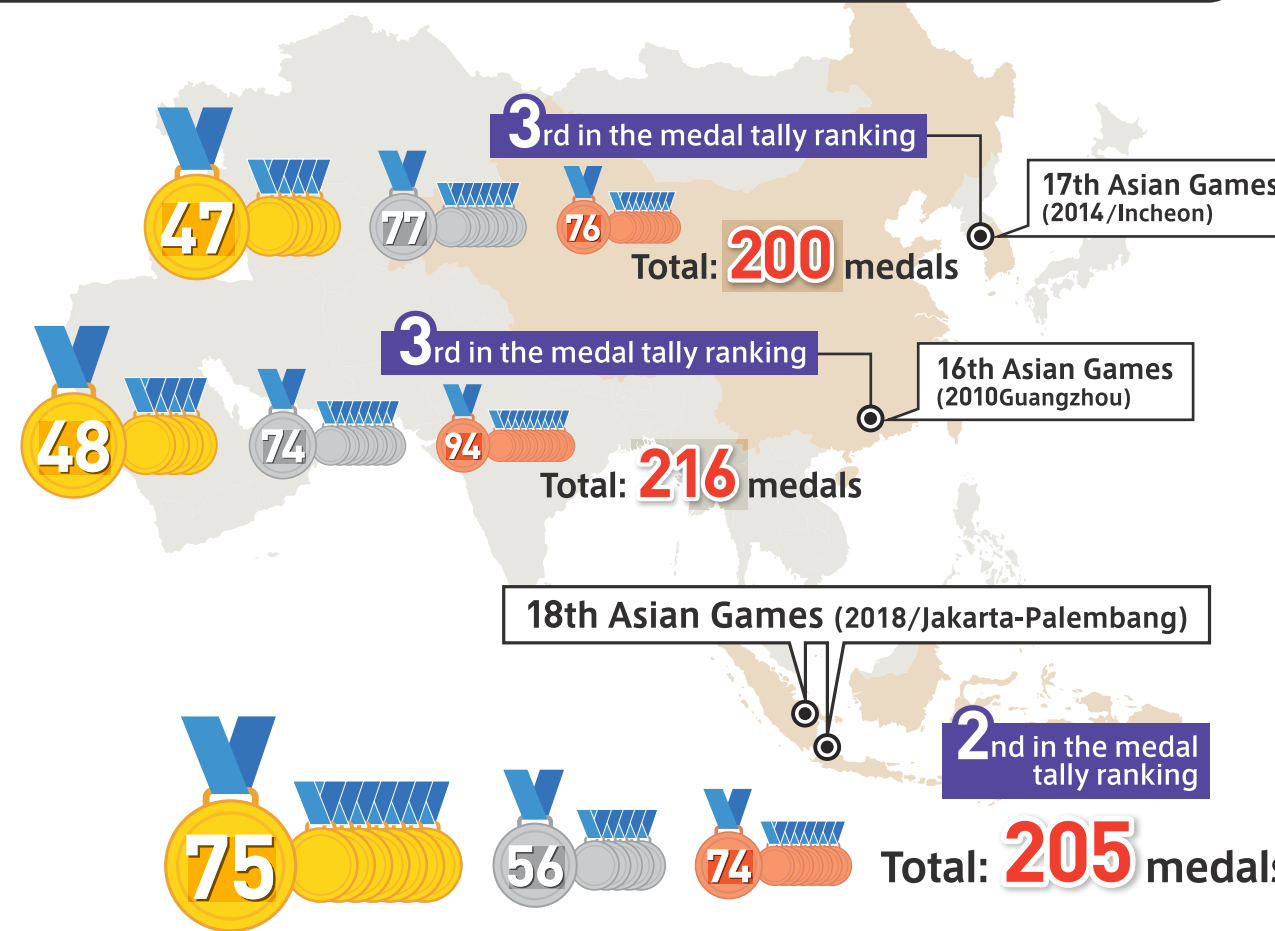
### Main Gold Medal Winning Sports and Athletes



Athletics: Men 4 × 100m relay

(From left) **Aska Cambridge, Yoshihide Kiryu, Shuhei Tada, and Ryota Yamagata**

### Number of Medals Won by Japanese Athletes in the Recent Games



\*The number of medals won by Japanese athletes in the recent games is quoted from the OCA website.

# Overview of the Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026



Winning the bid



Concluding the host city contract



Announcing the Games slogan



Revealing the Games emblem

## The Significance of Hosting the Aichi-Nagoya Games

The 2026 Aichi-Nagoya Games will be the next big event in the sports world following the 2020 Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games. It is a very meaningful event for all of Japan, as it provides the opportunity to further deepen the growing exchanges within Asia.

## Concept of the Aichi-Nagoya Games

Putting Athletes First

Using Existing Facilities

Making Full Use of State-of-the-Art Technology

Tradition and Hospitality that Represents the Characteristics of the Prefectural and City Residents

Taking Pride in Hosting the Asian Games and Further Contributing to the Spread of Sports Culture

## Games Overview

### Period

**Sep. 19 (Sat.) to Oct. 4 (Sun.), 2026**  
**16 days**

### Sports to Be Included in the Games

Sports included in the Paris Olympic Games (32 sports)

Sports played in the five regions of Asia (5 sports)

Sports proposed by the Organizing Committee (2 sports)

Sports proposed by the OCA (2 sports)

**A total of 41 sports**

### Main Stadium

**Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium**

### Athletes' Village

**Utilization of existing accommodation facilities(to be determined)**

### Athletes and Team Officials

**15,000 persons maximum**

## Games Emblem



### Emblem Objectives

The smooth curves describe the liveliness of sports. The center line colored in purple, gold and green inspires the image that people get together as one and go forward to the future by heading to a bright red sun, the symbol of the OCA.

The purple represents the iris, which is the prefectural flower of Aichi. The gold describes the Kinshachi, the golden tiger-fish roof ornaments and the symbol of Nagoya Castle. And the green is inspired by the high environmental consciousness of the people of Aichi-Nagoya fostered through EXPO Aichi 2005, COP10 and the UNESCO World Conference on ESD.

The emblem contains the initial letters of Asia, Aichi, and Nagoya. You can see "A" indicated by the purple curve and the center line and "N" in the purple and gold.

## Games Slogan

### Slogan Objectives

The organizers claim that sports have the power to bring people together beyond the barriers of language, culture, and nationality.

They hope that the Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games will be an opportunity for every person in society today, which is increasingly diversifying, to be able to imagine their own 'ONE ASIA' with the power of sports so that the ties among the people of Asia will be strengthened and enable them to look forward to a bright future.

The slogan also represents the organizers' determination to ensure that all those involved in the Games, such as athletes, volunteers, and spectators, become united by sharing various moments, the atmosphere, experiences, and excitement.

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# Overview of the Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026

## Competition

In addition to 32 sport events planned to be conducted at the Paris Olympic Games, 9 sport events as listed below will be held at the Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026.

### Sports played in the five regions of Asia (5 sports)



**Kurash** [Central Asia]



**Wushu** [East Asia]



**Kabaddi** [South Asia]



**Sepak Takraw** [South East Asia]



**Jiu-Jitsu** [West Asia]

### Sports proposed by the Organizing Committee (2 sports)



**Baseball・Softball** (Baseball)



**Baseball・Softball** (Softball)



**Karate**

### Sports proposed by the OCA (2 sports)



**Squash**



**E Sports**

## Renovation of the Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium



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**With the design phase launched in FY2021, the stadium is planned to be opened in FY2026.**

### Point

Nagoya City will develop the athletic stadium into a facility suitable not only as the main part of Mizuho Park, but also as a venue for the Asian Games Aichi-Nagoya 2026. The city will strive to ensure that the renovated stadium will continue to attract many future users even after the end of the Games and serve as the hub for promoting sports in Nagoya.

### Initiative Overview

Nagoya City will renovate the Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium (Mizuho Ward, Nagoya City) toward ensuring that the stadium is acknowledged as the hub for promoting sports based on the legacy of the Aichi-Nagoya 2026 Asian Games.

## Establishment of the New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium in the North Area of Meijo Park



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**The gymnasium is planned to be opened in the summer of FY2025.**

### Point

Aichi Prefecture will establish the New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium as a facility that will inherit the accumulated tradition of the current gymnasium and serve as a symbol of Aichi-Nagoya.

### Initiative Overview

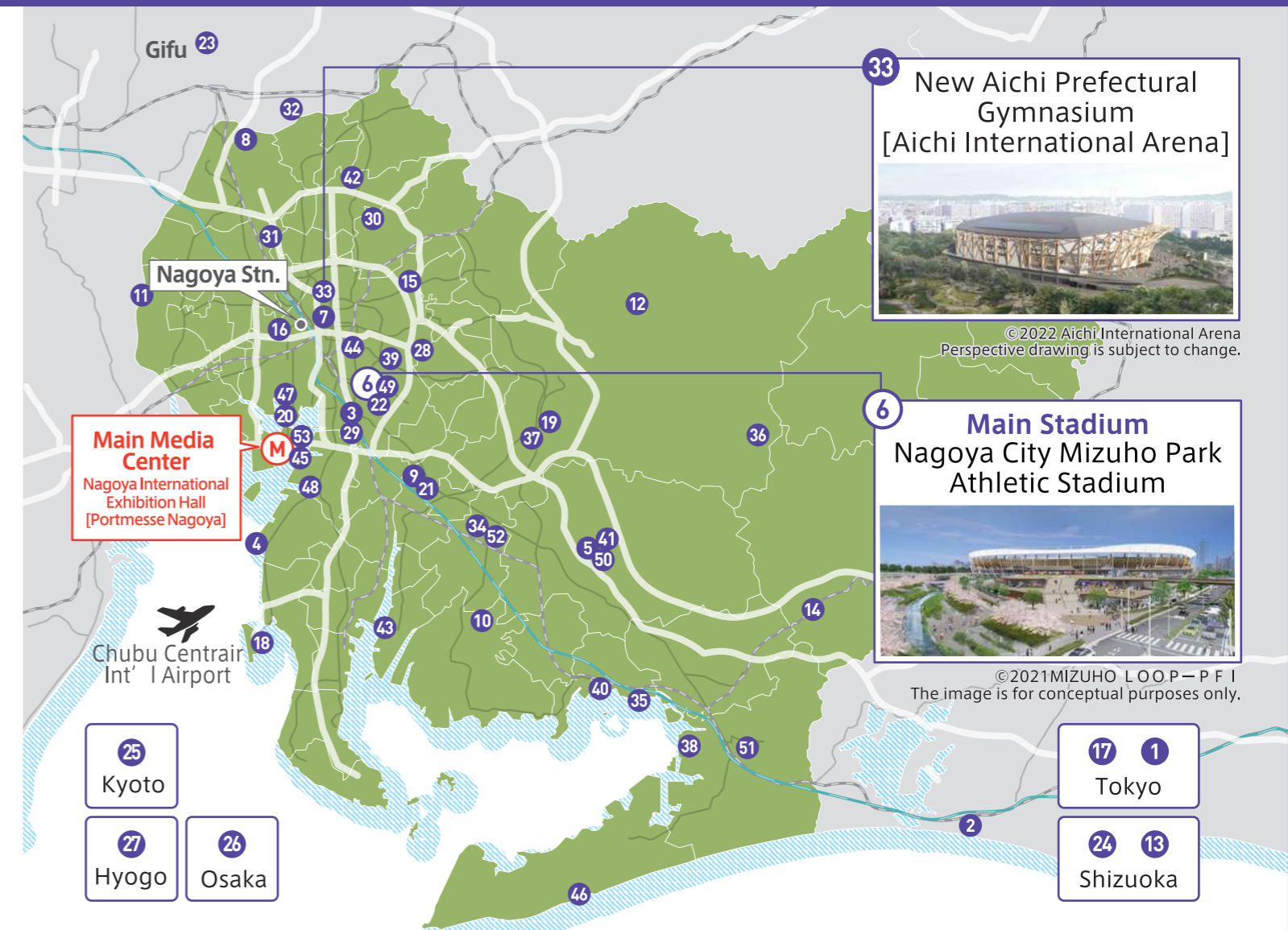
Aichi Prefecture has been working on developing a new gymnasium, which can be also used as a venue for the 2026 Aichi-Nagoya Games, as a Private Finance Initiative Project, and its construction started in July 2022.

# Sports and Competition Venues

## Sports included in the Paris Olympic Games

Sport	Discipline	Competition Venue (tentative decision)
Aquatics	Swimming/Diving	① Tokyo Aquatics Centre (Tokyo)
	Artistic Swimming	② "ToBiO" Furuhashi Hironoshin Memorial Hamamatsu Swimming Center (Shizuoka)
	Water Polo	③ Nagoya City General Gymnasium [Rainbow Pool]
	Marathon Swimming	④ Shinmaiko Marine Park
Archery		⑤ Okazaki Chuo Sogo Park Multipurpose Square
Athletics	(Track and Field)	⑥ Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium
	(Marathon)	⑥ Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium
	(Race Walk)	⑦ Circular course around the Aichi Prefectural Government Office and the Nagoya City Hall
Badminton		⑧ Ichinomiya City Municipal Gymnasium
Basketball	Basketball	⑨ Wing Arena Kariya
	3×3	— TBD
Boxing		⑩ Nishio Gymnasium
Canoe·Kayak	Sprint	⑪ Nagaragawa International Regatta Course (Gifu)
	Slalom	⑫ Yahagigawa Canoe Slalom Course
Cycling	Track	⑬ Izu Velodrome (Shizuoka)
	Road	⑭ Circular course in Shinshiro City
	Mountain Bike	⑮ Obata Ryokuchi Park
	BMX Racing	⑯ Nagoya Velodrome BMX Race Course
	BMX Freestyle	— TBD
Equestrian	Dressage/Eventing/Jumping	⑰ JRA Equestrian Park (Tokyo)
Fencing		⑱ Aichi Sky Expo
		⑲ TOYOTA STADIUM
		⑳ Nagoya City Minato Soccer Field
		㉑ Wave Stadium Kariya
Football		㉒ Nagoya City Mizuho Park Rugby Field
		㉓ Nagaragawa Athletics Stadium (Gifu)
		㉔ Shizuoka Stadium Ecopa (Shizuoka)
		㉕ Kyoto Stadium (Kyoto)
		㉖ Nagai Stadium (Osaka)
		㉗ Kobe Universiade Memorial Stadium (Hyogo)
		㉘ Aichi Country Club Higashiyama Course
Golf		㉘ Aichi Country Club Higashiyama Course
Gymnastics	Artistic/Rhythmic/Trampoline	㉙ Nagoya City General Gymnasium [Rainbow Hall]
Handball		⑳ Kasugai City Gymnasium
Hockey		㉑ Toyoda Gosei Memorial Gymnasium [ENTRIO]
Judo		㉒ Gifu Prefectural Green Stadium (Gifu)
Modern Pentathlon	(Laser-Run/Obstacle Discipline/Fencing/Swimming)	㉓ New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium [Aichi International Arena]
Rowing		㉔ Anjo Athletics Ground
Rugby		㉕ Nagaragawa International Regatta Course (Gifu)
Sailing		㉖ Nagoya City Mizuho Park Rugby Field
Shooting		㉗ Kaiyoh Yacht Harbor
Table Tennis		㉘ Aichi Prefectural General Shooting Gallery
Taekwondo		㉙ SKY HALL TOYOTA
Tennis	Tennis/Soft tennis	㉚ Toyohashi Gymnasium
Triathlon		㉛ Nagoya City Higashiyama Park Tennis Center
		㉜ Gamagori City Triathlon Venue
Volleyball	Volleyball	㉝ Okazaki Chuo Sogo Park Gymnasium
		㉞ Park Arena Komaki
	Beach Volleyball	㉟ Hekinan Ryokuchi Beach Court

The list is tentative and subject to change based on the discussion with the OCA and relevant sports organization such as AFs as well as the progress of the facility development.



33 New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium [Aichi International Arena]



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6 Main Stadium Nagoya City Mizuho Park Athletic Stadium



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Sport	Discipline	Competition Venue (tentative decision)
Weightlifting		④④ Nagoya City Trade and Industry Center
Wrestling	Freestyle/Greco-Roman	③③ New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium [Aichi International Arena]
Breaking		③③ New Aichi Prefectural Gymnasium [Aichi International Arena]
Skateboarding		⑱ Aichi Sky Expo
Sport Climbing		④⑤ Nagoya International Exhibition Hall [Portmesse Nagoya]
Surfing		④⑥ Long Beach (Tahara, Aichi, Japan)

## Sports played in the five regions of Asia

Sport	Discipline	Competition Venue (tentative decision)
Kurash (Central Asia)		④⑦ Aichi Prefectural Martial Arts Hall
Wushu (East Asia)		④⑦ Aichi Prefectural Martial Arts Hall
Kabaddi (South Asia)		④⑧ Tokai Citizen Gymnasium
Sepak Takraw (South East Asia)		④⑨ Nagoya City Mizuho Park Gymnasium
Jiu-Jitsu (West Asia)		④⑦ Aichi Prefectural Martial Arts Hall

## Sports proposed by Organizing Committee

Sport	Discipline	Competition Venue (tentative decision)
Baseball	(Baseball)	⑤⑩ Okazaki Chuo Sogo Park Baseball Stadium
Softball	(Softball)	⑤① Toyohashi Municipal Baseball Stadium
		⑤② Anjo Softball Ground
Karate		③⑧ Toyohashi Gymnasium

## Sports proposed by the OCA

Sport	Discipline	Competition Venue (tentative decision)
Squash		⑤③ Ex-Takeda Teva Ocean Arena
E Sport		⑱ Aichi Sky Expo

\*The information provided is as of September 8, 2023.