

# USA Dominates the XXX Olympics

By DeSean Lawson

The 2012 Olympics became the most watched event in the United States history with 219.4 million American viewers. London, England was the host city for the summer Olympics and the 16-day spectacular came to an end on August 12. The United States dominated the event from day one and ended the Olympics with an outstanding lead when it came to total medals, including the USA men's basketball team defeating Spain 107-100.

With 104 overall medals, 46 gold, 29 silver, and 29 bronze, the United States defined its place as a leader in the grandest sports competition in the world. China was next with 88 total medals, Russia with 82, the host city Great Britain with 65 and Korea with 28 medals rounding out the top five world competitors.

Gabrielle Douglas, a 16 year old American, shocked the world and became an overnight celebrity from her performance in the Olympics and is now a teenage superstar. A native of Virginia Beach, VA, Gabrielle won

the gold medal in the all-around gymnastic competition. Prior to the event, all the talk surrounded Douglas's fellow USA teammate and captain Alexandra Raisman, whom the experts favored in the event. But it was Douglas who scored a 62.23 in the competition and defeated the Russian runner-up Komova Victoria who scored a 61.97.

Besides the USA, The Jamaican track and field team dominated all the outdoor sprinting events and was led by five-time gold medalist, Usain Bolt, who captured 3 gold medals in this year's Games. Bolt set Olympic records in



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Gabby Douglas, competed on the balance apparatus during the All-Around final at the XXX Olympics in London, England and won the Gold.

the men's 100 meter dash, with a 9.63 and ran a 19.32 in the men's 200 meter dash and set a world record in the men's 4 by 100 meter team relay with a ridiculously fast time of 36.84.

Even with USA earning 104 medals, Douglas becoming the next athletic superstar, and Bolt running faster than a missile, the 2012 Olympics biggest standout was 18-time gold medalist swimmer Michael

Phelps again exceeded the competition and commanded the headlines. Although Phelps did not win as many gold medals in this years Olympics like in 2008, Phelps took home four gold and two silver medals.

Phelps won gold in the 4 by 200-meter freestyle relay, 200-meter individual medley, 100 meter butterfly, and the 4 by 100 meter medley relay final, all in the men's categories. Phelps also grabbed two silver medals in the men's 4 by 100 meter freestyle relay and men's 200-meter butterfly. Phelps brought his Olympic medal count total to 22 medals; 18 of them gold, making Phelps the most decorated Olympian of all time.

The 2012 London Olympics set world television records for the most watched event in US television history and with anticipation, the 2016 Brazil Olympics may do the same. Tune into summer 2016 and see who will be the next breakout superstar!!

## Upcoming FSU Games



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### Football

- Sept. 1 @ NC Central kick off is at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 6 @ Pembroke kick off is at 6 p.m. Tickets are currently on sale at the FSU Tickets Office (8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Monday - Friday) or by phone at 910-672-1724 (via Visa/Mastercard). Tickets are \$15 in advance (visitors general admission).



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### Volleyball

- Sept. 5 vs. Claflin @ FSU game starts at 6 p.m.
- Sept. 10 vs Winston-Salem State @ FSU game starts at 6 p.m.

## Pre-Season Scrimmage Sets Tone for Season Ahead

By Aaron Williams

"The leadership on the field was exceptional, the offensive linemen performed extremely well with their interchangeable, the quarterbacks did really well with moving the ball up and down the field, the receivers did a great job finding the open slots for catches, defense is definitely off to a great start showing true versatility maintaining pressure; overall we had some big stops and big plays" said Fayetteville State Assistant Head Coach David Bowser.

The Broncos held their team scrimmage on Aug. 25th. in hopes to produce quality game play for the season ahead. 105 Fayetteville State student athletes expressed true talents and skills working heavily on tempo and play precision while polishing up and getting ready for the upcoming game Sept. 1 versus former CIAA member, North Carolina Central. Fayetteville

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State's defense is definitely off to a great start showing true versatility and maintaining pressure. These improvements have really transformed the program altogether ensuring that the players are ready to perform this year. The Broncos and their coaches are definitely eager to engage in competitive play and seek yet another championship achievement.



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On Aug. 10 the doors to Fayetteville State University's newest 336 room, state of the art residence hall, Renaissance Hall, were officially opened to students.



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