

# Japan set to dominate Olympic Judo

Japan has been the leading nation in eight of the 10 occasions that Judo has been part of the Olympic Games. At Athens 2004, Japan won eight gold medals, their best ever Olympic "golden score"

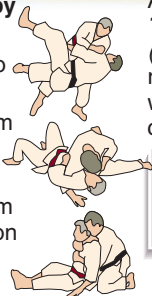
## MOST SUCCESSFUL NATIONS AT SINGLE OLYMPIC GAMES – JUDO

Year	Nation	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
2004	Japan	8	2	0	10
2000	Japan	4	2	2	8
1996	Japan	3	4	1	8
1992	Japan	2	4	4	10
1988	South Korea	2	0	1	3
1984	Japan	4	0	1	5
1980	Soviet Union	2	1	2	5
1976	Japan	3	1	1	5
1972	Japan	3	0	1	4
1964	Japan	3	1	0	4



Outright win (ippon) is achieved by

- 1 Throwing opponent onto his back
- 2 Pinning him to mat for 25 seconds
- 3 Forcing him into submission by armlock or stranglehold



At Athens 2004 **Tadahiro Nomura** (near right), won a record third gold medal, while **Ryoko Tani** (far right), collected her second



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① Medal events

9	10	11	12	13	14	15
2	2	2	2	2	2	2

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