

Swimming – Phelps chases unique record

U.S. swimmer Michael Phelps goes to Beijing trying to win seven gold medals in one Olympic year, breaking the record set by the legendary Mark Spitz in Munich in 1972

BEST INDIVIDUAL PERFORMANCES AT SINGLE OLYMPIC GAMES

Year	Name	Nation	Sport	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1972	Mark Spitz	USA	Swimming	7	0	0	7
2004	Michael Phelps	USA	Swimming	6	0	2	8
1988	Kristin Otto	GDR	Swimming	6	0	0	6
1992	Vitaly Scherbo	EUN	Gymnastics	6	0	0	6
1920	Willis Lee	USA	Shooting	5	1	1	7
1988	Matt Biondi	USA	Swimming	5	1	1	7
1904	Anton Heida	USA	Gymnastics	5	1	0	6
1920	Nedo Nadi	ITA	Fencing	5	0	0	5
1924	Paavo Nurmi	FIN	Athletics	5	0	0	5



Mark Spitz



Phelps' medals at Athens 2004

Event	Medal
100m Butterfly	Gold
200m Butterfly	Gold
200m Individual Medley	Gold
400m Individual Medley	Gold
4x100m Medley Relay	Gold
4x200m Freestyle Relay	Gold
200m Freestyle	Bronze
4x100m Freestyle Relay	Bronze

National Aquatics Centre

1 Medal events

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12	13	14	15	16
4	4	4	4	4
17	18	19	20	21
4			1	1

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