Liu Xiang

Chinese hurdler, Olympic Gold medallist and World Champion



China

Career: Liu Xiang's 110m hurdles gold medal at the Athens Olympics was China's first in a men's track and field event. In 2006, Liu set a new

world record with a time of 12.88 sec,

breaking Briton Colin Jackson's 13-year record. This in turn was broken by Cuban Dayron Robles in June 2008, with a mark of 12.87 sec Olympic gold. 110m hurdles: