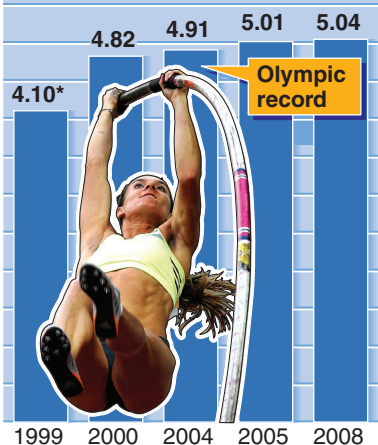


Rise of pole vault queen

Russia's Yelena Isinbayeva cleared 5.04m at the Super Grand Prix meeting in Monaco, her 15th outdoor pole vault world record, confirming her standing as favourite for gold at the Beijing Olympics

Isinbayeva's relentless rise (metres)



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