



2022 Winter Olympics candidate cities



ALMATY 2022
CANDIDATE CITY



BEIJING
Candidate City

Population	1.6 million	21 million
Olympics	Lost 2014 Winter Games bid	Hosted 2008 Summer Games
Venues	10 (8 existing, 2 being built)	9 (6 existing, 3 planned)
Venue locations		
Budget	Games: \$1.752bn Infrastructure: \$4.5bn (includes projects not directly for Olympics)	Games: \$1.558bn Infrastructure: \$1.511bn (excludes rail line between Beijing and mountain venues)
Public support	85 percent in Almaty, 87 percent in Kazakhstan	88 percent in Beijing, 92 percent in China
Positive points	Compact layout with venues within 30km radius. Short travel times and distances. Traditional winter setting with tall mountains and plenty of natural snow. Use of existing venues	Experience of hosting 2008 Games. Use of 2008 venues, including "Bird's Nest" and "Water Cube". China is seen as politically and economically stable. Familiarity with IOC members
Negative points	Relatively unknown to IOC members. Lacks experience in hosting big international sports events. Uncertain future political and economic stability. Potential shortage of hotel rooms	Lack of winter sports tradition, atmosphere and natural snow. Heavy reliance on water supplies for artificial snow-making. Long distances between Beijing and mountain venues
Status	Former underdog, now seen as legitimate contender	Previously strong favourite, now engaged in tight race