



Men's Hammer Throw

33 Entrants

			Age	(Days)	Born	Season's Best	Personal Best
1005	COLLAKU Dorian	ALB	31y	74d	1977	76.96	76.96 -08
<p>Albanian record holder, now resident in Finland where he works as a stevedore dnq WJC 96; dnq ECH 98/2002/2006; 10 under-23 ECH 99; dnq OLY 2004; dnq WCH 2005/2007. Chosen as Albania's Sports Personality of the Year in 1997 & 1999, but been based in Finland since 1997 ... 1.84/115kg</p> <p>"I will apply for the Finnish citizenship, but on sports fields I will always be Albanian"</p> <p>In 2008: 1 Espoo (May 10); 1 Helsinki (May 12); 1 Espoo (May 19); 1 Espoo (Jun 8); 1 Espoo (Jun 22); 1 Turku; 3 Finnish</p>							
1030	CERRA Juan Ignacio	ARG	31y	308d	1976	74.09	76.42 -01
<p>2005 World silver, 2006 European bronze ... 2003 Pan-American Champion ... 1 South American 97/99/2001/2003/2005/2006/2007; dnq WCH 99/2001/2003/2005; 1 Ibero-American 2000/2004/2006/2008; dnq OLY 2000/2004; 1 Pan-Am Games 2003 (99/2007-3). 1 Argentinian 95/97/99/2000/2003/2004/2005 ... 1.83/96kg In 2008: 1 Mar del Plata; 1 Rosario; 1 Santa Fe (Mar 23); 1 Santa Fe (Mar 26); 1 Santa Fe (Mar 29); 2 Uberlândia; 2 Fortaleza; 1 Ibero-American; 1 Palermo</p>							
1151	TIKHON Ivan	BLR	32y	21d	1976	84.51	86.73 -05
<p>Three times World Champion ... 2006 European Champion ... 2004 Olympic silver ... missed world record by one centimetre in 2005 1 under-23 ECH 97; 6 WSG 2001; 1 WCH 2003/2005/2007 (97-fouled out final, 2001-dnq); 1 WSG 2003 (2001-6); 2 OLY 2004 (2000-4); 1 ECH 2006 (98-dnq, 2002-9); 2 WCP 2006. 1 Belorussian 2000/2001/2003/2004/2008 ... coach-Sergey Litvinov ... 1.86/110kg</p> <p>Cuts it fine at championships, often two fouls then a long one. In Osaka 2007 he went from eighth to first in final three rounds</p> <p>In 2008: 1 Belorussian</p>							
1154	DEVYATOVSKI Vadim	BLR	31y	148d	1977	81.70	84.90 -05
<p>2005 World silver, 2006 European bronze ... threw 81.57 in the 2007 world final, the furthest ever to place fourth 2 WJC 96; 4 under-23 ECH 99; 4 OLY 2004; 2 WCH 2005 (2003-7, 2007-4); 1 WSG 2005; 3 ECH 2006. 1 Belorussian 2000/2006 ... 1.92/115kg In 2008: 1 Osaka; 2 Hengelo; 1 Königs Wusterhausen; 3 Warsaw; 5 Prague (Jun 16); 1 Stayki</p>							
1159	SVIATOKHA Valeri	BLR	27y	26d	1981	81.37	81.49 -06
<p>3 WSG 2005 ... 1.87/110kg In 2008: 4 Belorussian winter; 2 Belorussian Cup; 1 Stayki (Jun 7); 2 Minsk; 2 Belorussian; 1 Stayki (Jul 27)</p>							
1297	STEACY Jim	CAN	24y	77d	1984	79.13	79.13 -08
<p>Canadian record holder ... 2007 Pan-American Champion ... 2006 Commonwealth silver 1 Pan-Am junior 2003; 2 COM 2006; 1 Pan-American Games 2007; dnq WCH 2007. 1 Canadian 2004-2008 ... studying Kinesiology at the University of Lethbridge ... coach-Larry Steinke ... 1.88/115kg In 2008: 1 Tucson; 1 Missoula; 1 Lethbridge (May 16); 1 Lethbridge (May 17); 1 Lethbridge (May 18); 1 Provo; 1 Alberta Province; 1 Canadian</p>							
1439	HAKLITS Andras	CRO	30y	326d	1977	78.58	80.41 -05
<p>Croatian record holder ... 2x US Collegiate Champion, representing the University of Georgia ... ex-Hungary; transfer approved by IAAF in July 1998 dnq WJC 96; 10 WSG 99; 2 under-23 ECH 99; dnq WCH 99/2005/2007; dnq OLY 2000/2004; 10 ECH 2006 (98/2002-dnq). 1 NCAA 99/2002 (2000-2). 1 Croatian 98/99/2004/2005/2006/2008 ... 1.91/115kg In 2008: 1 Croatian Cup; 1 Szombathely; 3 Celje; 4 ECP 1st League; 1 Varazdin; 1 Croatian; 1 Tapolca</p>							
1522	MELICH Lukás	CZE	27y	332d	1980	76.97	79.36 -05
<p>10 WJC 98; 4 WSG 2003; 5 ECP 2005; dnq WCH 2005; dnq ECH 2006; 4 World Military Games 2007. 1 Czech 2003/2006 ... 1.86/100kg In 2008: 3 European Clubs Cup; 1 Ostrava; 2 Prague; 6 Ostrava; 9 Prague; 4 ECP 1st League; 5 Velenje; 3 Istanbul; 1 Czech; 2 Pacov; 9 Rethymno; 2 Ústí Nad Labem; 2 Nikiti</p>							
1563	ANANI Mohsen	EGY	23y	86d	1985	75.20	76.00 -07
<p>Egyptian record holder ... dnq World Youth 2001; dnq WJC 2002; 2 Arab junior 2002; 1 African junior 2003; 3 African Champs 2006; 2 WJC 2004; dnq WCH 2005/2007; 2 African Games 2007; 4 WSG 2007; 1 Arab Games 2007. 4 NCAA 2006 ... has dual citizenship with Tunisia ... coach-Nagui Assad ... 1.87/117kg In 2008: 1 Cairo (Feb 29); 1 Cairo (Mar 7); 1 Cairo (Mar 24); 1 Egyptian; 4 Algiers; 3 Romanian Open Champs; 3 Radès; 3 Ústí Nad Labem</p>							
1698	KARJALAINEN Olli-Pekka	FIN	28y	160d	1980	77.93	83.30 -04
<p>11x Finnish Champion ... former World Junior Champion ... 2006 European silver 1 WJC 98; 1 EJC 99 (97-3); dnq OLY 2000/2004; 2 under-23 ECH 2001; 1 ECP 2002 (2006-3); 5 WCH 2005 (99-11, 2001-10, 2003-dnq, 2007-9); 2 ECH 2006 (2002-8). 1 Finnish 98-2008. His final throw at the 2006 Europeans was further than the winning mark of Ivan Tikhon, but it was judged to be a foul ... 1.94/117kg In 2008: 6 Hengelo; 2 Kaustinen; 2 Lahti; 1 Finnish</p>							
1897	ESSER Markus	GER	28y	193d	1980	79.97	81.10 -06
<p>Fourth at 2005 World Championships & 2006 European Championships ... 12 WJC 98; 3 EJC 99; dnq OLY 2000; 7 under-23 ECH 2001; dnq ECH 2002; 2 World Military Champs 2002; 2 ECP 2004/2004/2007 (2006-4); 11 OLY 2004; 4 WCH 2005 (2007-8); 4 ECH 2006. 1 German 2006/2008. Lieutenant in Germany Army ... his nickname is "Tiger", he collects tiger-themed accessories and he has the word tattooed across his back along with a picture of the creature ... coach-Helge Zöllkau ... 1.90/92kg In 2008: 1 Frankfurt; 10 European Throws Cup; 1 Halle; 2 Königs Wusterhausen; 1 Fränkisch-Crumbach; 1 Kassel; 1 Dortmund; 3 ECP; 1 German; 1 Ried; 4 Rethymno; 1 Leverkusen; 1 Wattenscheid</p>							
1956	PAPADIMITRIOU Alexándros	GRE	35y	58d	1973	77.07	80.45 -00
<p>2002 European bronze ... Greek record holder ... 11x Greek Champion 6 WJC 92; 7 WSG 99; 2 ECP 2000 (2003/2007-3); 12 OLY 2000 (96/2004-dnq); 7 WCH 2001 (97/99-dnq, 2003-8, 2005/2007-dnq); 3 ECH 2002 (98/2006-dnq); 5 WCP 2006; 3 ECP 2007 (2008-4). 1 Greek 94/95/97/96/97/2000/2002/2003/2005/2006/2007/2008 ... along with his father, he organizes the yearly throws meeting 'Sithónia' in his hometown of Nikiti ... 1.85/115kg In 2008: 2 Athens (May 9); 1 Iráklío (May 18); 1 Trípoli; 1 Iráklío (Jun 1); 1 Greek; 4 ECP; 1 Kavála; 5 Rethymno; 1 Nikiti</p>							
2000	PARS Krisztián	HUN	26y	178d	1982	81.96	82.45 -06
<p>Former World Youth Champion ... 1 World Youth 99; 1 EJC 2001; 1 under-23 ECH 2003; 5 OLY 2004; 6 ECH 2006; 5 WCH 2007 (2005-7). 1 Hungarian 2005 -2008 ... 1.88/104kg In 2008: 1 Hungarian winter; 2 European Throws Cup; 1 Veszprém; 1 Hengelo; 3 Ostrava; 4 Prague; 2 Celje; 1 ECP 1st League; 2 Velenje; 1 Kaustinen; 1 Bydgoszcz; 1 Lahti; 1 Rethymno; 1 Hungarian</p>							
2058	PÉTURSSON Bergur Ingi	ISL	22y	314d	1985	74.48	74.48 -08
<p>Iceland record holder ... dnq WJC 2004. 1 Icelandic under-23 2007 In 2008: 2 Finnish winter; 1 European Throws Cup 'B'; 1 Bálsta; 1 Hafnarfjörður; 3 Fränkisch-Crumbach; 3 Töysä; 1 ECP 2nd League; 1 Icelandic (2 DT, 4 DT)</p>							
2098	LINGUA Marco	ITA	30y	72d	1978	79.97	79.97 -08
<p>7 EJC 97. 1 Italian 2008 ... 1.79/94kg In 2008: 1 Savona; 1 European Throws Cup; nm Schio; 1 Milan; 1 Terni; 2 Osaka; 1 Alessandria; 3 Hengelo; 1 Savona; 1 Algiers; 4 Warsaw; 3 Prague; 1 Valbonne; 4 Velenje; 2 Bydgoszcz; 6 Rethymno; 1 Italian</p>							
2105	VIZZONI Nicola	ITA	34y	284d	1973	78.79	80.50 -01
<p>Surprise Olympic silver in 2000 ... 2001 World Student Games Champion ... 9x Italian Champion ... left-handed 5 WJC 92; 2 OLY 2000 (2004-10); 2 ECP 2001/2008 (99/2005-4, 2004-3, 2006-7); 4 WCH 2001 (97-dnf, 99-7, 2003/2005/2007-dnq); 1 WSG 2001 (97-6, 99 -5); 2 Mediterranean Games 2001; 9 ECH 2006 (98/2002-dnq). 1 Italian 98/2000-2007 ... 1.93/114kg In 2008: 1 Italian winter; 4 European Throws Cup; 1 Livorno; 1 Florence; 2 European Clubs Cup; 1 Lucca; 2 ECP; 1 Italian Clubs; 2 Rethymno; 2 Italian</p>							

2215	MUROFUSHI Koji JPN DEFENDING OLYMPIC CHAMPION 2001 World silver ... 2003 world bronze 8 WJC 92; 8 WSG 97 (95-15, 99-6); 1 East Asian 97/2001 (93-3); 9 OLY 2000; 2 WCH 2001 (97-10, 95/99-dnq, 2003-3, 2007-6); 1 Asian Champs 2002 (93/95/98 -2); 1 Asian Games 2002 (94-2); 1 WCP 2006 (2002-2) ... 1 Japanese 95-2007, Japanese record holder; father (Shigenobu) was previous holder; as a family they have held the national hammer record since 1971; younger sister Yuka holds the Japanese women's hammer record ... in 2004 he beat other top throwers in a contest to throw a 10kg barrel for height; he threw it up 8.25m ... he's now a Doctor having completed his PhD thesis on the biomechanics of the hammer throw ... 1.87/98kg In 2008: 1 Japanese (14th time); 1 Toyota (Jul 21); 1 Toyota (Jul 27)	33y	311d	1974	81.87	84.86 -03
2323	AL-ZINKAWI Ali Mohamed KUW 3x Asian Champion ... Kuwait record holder ... 6 World Youth 2001; 2 WJC 2002; 1 Arab 2003/2004; 1 Asian Champs 2003/2005/2007; dnq OLY 2004; 2 Asian Games 2006; 12 WCH 2007 (2005-dnq) ... 1.86/97kg In 2008: 1 Kuwait City (Mar 17); 1 Doha (Apr 30); 1 Kuwait City (May 19); 5 Hengelo; 2 Algiers; 8 Prague; 1 Radès; 2 Hungarian	24y	169d	1984	77.25	77.25 -08
2339	SOKOLOVS Igors LAT Latvian record holder & 7x Champion ... dnq WCH 2007. 1 Latvian 2001-2007 ... 1.85/100kg In 2008: 1 Latvian winter; 8 European Throws Cup; 1 Jablonné; 1 Riga; 1 Latvian Universities; 3 Halle; 1 Kohila; 7 Prague; 2 ECP 2nd League; 1 Valmiera	33y	363d	1974	78.23	78.23 -08
2416	ROZNA Roman MDA Moldovan record holder ... dnq OLY 2000/2004; 7 WSG 2003 (2001-12); dnq WCH 2005; dnq ECH 2006. 1 Moldovan 2005-2008. 1 Romanian 2004 ... 190/110kg In 2008: 1 Moldovan winter; 6 Brest; 1 Moldovan; 2 Romanian Open Champs; 9 Belorussian; 6 Stayki	32y	142d	1976	76.02	76.62 -03
2621	ZIŁKOWSKI Szymon POL Former Olympic Champion ... 2001 World Champion ... 11x Polish Champion 1 WJC 94; 1 EJC 95; 2 under-23 ECH 97; 5 ECH 98/2006 (2002-dnq); 1 OLY 2000 (96-10, 2004-dnq); 1 ECP 2001/2004/2005/2007 (99-2, 95-6); 1 WCH 2001 (95/99-dnq, 2005-3, 2007-7). 1 Polish 96/97/99-2002/2004-2008 ... Coach-Pyotr Zaytsev ... younger sister Michalina threw hammer 52.94 in 2000 ... married 50m javelin thrower Joanna Domagala on December 26, 2000; their son-Adam (3) ... 1.92/117kg In 2008: 5 Osaka; 4 Hengelo; 3 Königs Wusterhausen; 1 Schönebeck; 4 Ostrava; 2 Warsaw; 6 Prague; 1 ECP; 3 Bydgoszcz; 1 Polish; 3 Rethymno; 2 Wattenscheid	32y	44d	1976	79.26	83.38 -01
2795	VINICHENKO Igor RUS 4 ECP 2007. 1 Russian under-23 2006. Coach-Roman Konevtsev In 2008: 2 Adler; 1 Russian winter; 9 European Throws Cup; 2 Caucasus Cup; 2 Zhukovskiy; 1 Moscow City Champs; 2 Russian	24y	125d	1984	79.95	80.00 -07
2849	IKONNIKOV Kirill RUS 3 World Youth 2001; 5 WJC 2002; 4 EJC 2003. 1 Russian 2008 ... 1.85/100kg In 2008: 3 Adler; 3 Russian winter; 3 Zhukovskiy; 1 Russian	24y	162d	1984	79.20	79.20 -08
2877	KOZMUS Primoz SLO 2007 World silver where he held the lead until the last throw of Tikhon 12 under-23 ECH 99; 6 OLY 2004 (2000-dnq); 7 ECH 2006 (2002-dnq); 2 WCH 2007 (2003-5). 1 Slovenian 99-2004/2006/2008 ... older sister-Simona is Slovenian women's Hammer record holder ... 1.88/106kg In 2008: 1 Ljubljana (Jun 8); 1 Slovenian Cup; 1 Ostrava; 1 Warsaw; 1 Prague; 1 Celje; 2 ECP 1st League; 1 Velenje; 1 Slovenian	28y	319d	1979	81.46	82.30 -07
2936	CHARFREITAG Libor SVK 2007 World bronze ... twice US Collegiate Champion, representing Southern Methodist University where he is assistant throws coach dnq WJC 96; 5 under-23 ECH 99; 8 WSG 99 (2001-10); 7 ECH 2002 (2006-dnq); 7 OLY 2004 (2000-dnq); 3 WCH 2007 (99/2001/2003-dnq, 2005-9). 1 NCAA 98/2000 (2002-2). 1 NCAA indoor weight throw 98/99 ... 1 Slovak 97/98/99/2002/2003-2008 ... voted Slovak athlete of the year in 2003/2004/2005 ... coach-Dave Wollman ... 1.91/117kg In 2008: 1 Dallas; 1 Mt SAC Relays; 1 Uberlândia; 1 Fortaleza; 1 European Clubs Cup ; 2 Ostrava; 2 Prague; 1 ECP 2nd League; 3 Velenje; 4 Bydgoszcz; 1 Slovak (10th time)	30y	338d	1977	80.45	81.81 -03
2938	KONOPKA Miloslav SVK 2001 European under-23 bronze ... Fouled out final EJC 97; 5 WJC 98; dnq OLY 2000/2004; 3 under-23 ECH 2001; 10 ECH 2002 (2006-dnq); 9 WCH 2003 (2001/2005-dnq, 2007-10). 1 Slovak 2000/2001. Coach-Karel Sula ... twin brother-Mikulas is Slovak record holder at Shot Put ... 1.90/115kg In 2008: 3 Osaka; 7 Hengelo; 2 Ostrava; 1 Nitra; 1 Opava; 2 Slovak; 1 Pacov; 1 Usti Nad Labem	29y	204d	1979	78.83	81.33 -04
2993	NAZAROV Dilshod TJK Former Central Asian Champion ... 5 WJC 2000 (98-dnq); 1 Asian Junior 2001; 1 Central Asian 2003; 2 Afro-Asian Games 2003; dnq OLY 2004; dnq WCH 2005/2007; 1 Asian Games 2006 (2002-9); 2 Asian Champs 2007 (2002-4, 2003-2) ... 1.87/115kg In 2008: 2 Koncha-Zaspa; 1 Kiev; 1 Almaty; 1 Tadjik Carried flag at opening ceremony	26y	101d	1982	79.05	79.05 -08
2996	HOMMADOV Amanmurad TKM 27 WJC 2008 (2006-dnf) ... 1.86/100kg ... In 2008: 1 Ashgabat	19y	199d	1989	60.59	60.59 -08
3033	APAK Esref TUR 2004 Olympic bronze ... 1 WJC 2000; 3 EJC 2001; 2 under-23 ECH 2003; 3 OLY 2004; 1 Mediterranean Games 2005; 2 WSG 2005; dnq ECH 2006; 11 WCH 2007 (2005-dnq). 1 Turkish 2008. Coach- Konstantin Astapkovich (younger brother of 3x World silver medalist Igor) ... 1.86/100kg In 2008: 5 European Throws Cup; 4 European Clubs Cup ; 1 Turkish; 1 Turkish Clubs; 5 ECP 1st League; 1 Istanbul	26y	224d	1982	80.36	81.45 -05
3082	VINOGRADOV Yevgeniy UKR dnq World Youth 2001; 7 EJC 2003; 6 under-23 ECH 2005; dnq WCH 2007. 1 Ukrainian 2007/2008 ... 1.95/100kg In 2008: 1 Ukrainian winter; 6 European Throws Cup; 1 Koncha-Zaspa; 1 Ukrainian Universities; 1 Koncha-Zaspa; 3 Kiev; 1 Ukrainian Cup; 3 ECP 1st League; 1 Ukrainian	24y	106d	1984	80.58	80.58 -08
3107	TUGAY Igor UKR 7 under-23 ECH 97; dnq WCH 2007 ... 1.85/102kg In 2008: 4 Ukrainian winter; 4 Kiev; 3 Ukrainian	33y	146d	1975	79.46	79.46 -08
3121	RUBANKO Artem UKR 7 ECP 96; 12 WSG 99; dnq OLY 2004 ... 191/108kg In 2008: 2 Ukrainian winter; 4 Osaka; 3 Koncha-Zaspa; 8 Hengelo; 2 Ukrainian Cup (Jun 7); 1 Ukrainian Cup (Jun 20); 2 Ukrainian	34y	147d	1974	79.75	80.44 -04
3193	KRUGER A. G. USA (Alfred) ... 3x US Champion ... DT pb: 56.01 -01. dnq OLY 2004; dnq WCH 2005/2007; 4 WCP 2006; 4 Pan-Am Games 2007. 1 US indoor Weight Throw 2003/2005/2006/2007 (2004-2). 1 US Champs 2006/2007/2008. Was at Morningside College in Sioux City ... coach-Jud Logan ... 1.93/116kg In 2008: 2 US indoor Weight; 1 Raleigh Relays; 1 Knoxville; 2 Mt SAC Relays; 1 Columbus; 1 Eugene; 2 Provo; 1 US Olympic Trials	29y	178d	1979	78.68	79.26 -04

WORLD ALL-TIME LIST		2008 WORLD LIST		
1.....	86.74..... Yuriy Sedykh RUS.....	1986	1.....	84.51..... Ivan Tikhon BLR
2.....	86.73..... Ivan Tikhon BLR.....	2005	2.....	81.96..... Krisztián Pars HUN
3.....	86.04..... Sergey Litvinov RUS.....	1986	3.....	81.70..... Vadim Devyatovski BLR
4.....	84.90..... Vadim Devyatovskiy BLR.....	2005	4.....	81.46..... Primož Kozmus SLO
5.....	84.86..... Koji Murofushi JPN.....	2003	5.....	81.39..... Aleksey Zagornyi RUS
6.....	84.62..... Igor Astapkovich BLR.....	1992	6.....	81.37..... Valeri Sviatokha BLR
7.....	84.48..... Igor Nikulin RUS.....	1990	7.....	81.31..... Andrei Varantsov BLR
8.....	84.40..... Jüri Tamm EST.....	1984	8.....	80.98..... Koji Murofushi JPN
9.....	84.19..... Adrián Annus HUN.....	2003	9.....	80.58..... Yevgeniy Vynohradov UKR
10...	83.68..... Tibor Gécsek HUN.....	1998	10...	80.45..... Libor Charfreitag SVK