



## Preview Men's 89kg

- The men's 89kg event will be held for the first time at the world championships.
- Arley Mendez Perez (CHI) won all three world titles in the men's 85kg at the 2017 world championships.
- Coming into the 2018 world championships, the last man to win three world titles at successive world championships was Liao Hui (CHN), who won the Snatch, Clean & Jerk and Total in the men's 69kg at the 2013 and 2014 world championships.
- Artem Okulov (RUS) has won seven world championship medals in the men's 85kg between 2013 and 2015, including two world titles in 2015 (Clean & Jerk and Total).
- Only five men from Russia (excl. Soviet Union) have won more weightlifting world championship medals than Okulov (7): Andrei Chemerkin (20), Dmitriy Klokov (12), Sergei Syrtsov (10), Vladimir Smortchkov (8) and Evgeny Chigishev (8).
- Okulov is level with Oleg Perepechenov, Aslambek Ediev and Oleg Chen on most world championship medals in categories under 90kg among men from Russia (excl. Soviet Union), all seven.
- Coming into these championships, Okulev (2) is one of three men from Russia (excl. Soviet Union) to win a world title in a men's categories under 90kg, next to Perepechenov (2, 77kg) and Aпти Aukhadov (2, 85kg).
- Hakob Mkrtchyan (ARM) won the men's 77kg (Total) at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and the men's 85kg Clean & Jerk at the 2016 European junior & Under 23 championships.
- The last men from Armenia to win a weightlifting world title were Ara Khachatryan (85kg Snatch) and Tigran Martirosyan (77kg Snatch and Total) in 2010. NOTE: Andranik Karapetyan (ARM) competes in the men's 81kg event earlier these world championships.
- No man from Armenia has ever won a Clean & Jerk world title. NOTE: Andranik Karapetyan (ARM) competes in the men's 81kg earlier these world championships.
- Jhor Esneider Moreno Torres (COL) won the men's 85kg Snatch at last year's Pan American championships.
- Brayan Santiago Rodallegas Carvajal (COL, 20 years-356 days) and Moreno Torres (23y-35d) could both become the youngest weightlifter from Colombia to claim a world title (men and women). NOTE: Yeison Lopez Lopez (men's 81kg) and Yenny Sinisterra Torres (women's 55kg) are younger if they claim the title earlier at these world championships.
- Rodallegas Carvajal (20 years-356 days) could also become the youngest weightlifter from Colombia to claim a medal in the Total at the world championships. NOTE: Yeison Lopez Lopez (men's 81kg) and Yenny Sinisterra Torres (women's 55kg) are younger if they claim a Total medal earlier at these world championships.
- Ahmed Sayed Ashour Ali (EGY) could become the first weightlifter from Egypt (men and women) to win a world title in a category above 77kg. NOTE: Mohamed Ihab Youssef Ahmed Mahmoud (men's 81kg) could do this earlier at this world championships.