



Preview Women's +87kg

- The women's +87kg event will be staged for the first time at the world championships.
- Last year in Anaheim, Sarah Elizabeth Robles (USA) won all three world titles in the +90kg event, then the top weight category in women's events.
- In 2015, Tatiana Kashirina (RUS) successfully defended all her three world titles in the women's +75kg, at the time the top weight category.
- Only one US woman had won more weightlifting world titles than Robles; Karyn Marshall (USA) won five in the 82.5kg and +82.5kg events in 1987, 1989 and 1990.
- Two US men have won a USA record six world titles in weightlifting: John Davis (USA) from 1938-1951 and Tommy Kono (USA) from 1953-1959.
- Tatiana Kashirina has won 12 world titles in weightlifting and is one shy of joining Li Hongyun (CHN, 13) as the most successful woman at the world championships.
- Considering both men and women, Kashirina is in joint-ninth place on the all-time list for athletes with most world titles in weightlifting, alongside Peng Liping (CHN) and Sun Caiyan (CHN).
- Three athletes are currently within her reach on the all-time list: Yanko Rusev (BUL, sixth place on 15 world titles), Anatoli Khrapaty (KAZ, joint-seventh on 13 world titles) and Li Hongyun (joint-seventh on 13 world titles).
- The all-time top-5 is as follows: Vasili Alexeev (URS, 22 world titles), Naim Süleymanoglu (TUR, 22), Yurik Vardanyan (URS, 20), David Rigert (URS, 17) and Halil Mutlu (TUR, 16).
- Kashirina (18, G12-S5-B1) could become the eighth woman to finish 20 times on the podium of a weightlifting world championship event. Maria Takacs (HUN) holds the record on 33 podium finishes (G0-S17-B16).
- Meng Suping (CHN) won the Chinese championship in the women's +90kg (Total) on 15 April 2018, lifting 321 kilogrammes combined (140 Snatch and 181 Clean & Jerk).
- Meng has won one world title (women's +75kg Clean & Jerk in 2010) and has also claimed eight silver and three bronze medals at world championships, all in the +75kg.
- Meng won the gold medal in the women's +75kg (Total) event at the Rio 2016 Olympic Games, ahead of Kim Kuk Hyang (PRK, silver) and Sarah Elizabeth Robles (bronze).
- Kim Kuk Hyang won the bronze medal in the +75kg Clean & Jerk and Total at the 2015 world championships in Houston, United States. Kim won the gold medal in the women's +75kg event at the 2018 Asian Games in Jakarta.
- She also claimed three silver medals at last year's Asian championships in the +90kg events in Ashgabat.
- At the 2017 world championships Shaimaa Ahmed Khalaf Haridy (EGY) won silver in the women's +90kg Clean & Jerk and bronze in the Total.
- Coming into the 2018 world championships, two Egyptian women have won a world title. Nahla Ramadan (EGY) won all three events in the women's 75kg in 2003 and Sara Samir Elsayed Mohamed Ahmed (EGY) won the 69kg Clean & Jerk in 2017.
- Duangakorn Chaidee (THA) won the bronze medal in the women's +90kg Clean & Jerk at last year's world championships and also won bronze in the +75kg (Total) at this year's Asian Games.
- Chitchanok Pulsabsakul (THA) claimed all three bronze medals in the women's +90kg event at last year's Asian championships in Ashgabat.

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