

China: 11 facts on the Sochi 2014 Paralympics

The summer Games powerhouse has yet to make the podium at a Winter Paralympics, but with strong performances in wheelchair curling, China will hope to make its mark in Sochi.

- China have yet to win a medal at the Paralympic Winter Games.
- China have participated in the last three Winter Paralympics after making their debut at the Salt Lake City 2002 Games.
- In 2002, China sent four athletes to the Games: one in alpine skiing and three in cross-country skiing.
- At both the Torino 2006 and Vancouver 2010 Paralympics seven Chinese athletes competed in cross-country skiing.
- The best result by a competitor from China in the Vancouver 2010 Winter Paralympics was a fifth place finish by Peng Yuanyuan in the women's 5km cross-country classic style standing.
- China have won two bronze medals at the last two World Wheelchair Curling Championships in Chuncheon City (2012) and Sochi (2013).
- Wang Haitao, Liu Wei, He Jun, Xu Guangqin and Zhang Qiang were part of both the 2012 and 2013 bronze medal winning curling team at the World Championships.
- China have won 783 medals in the Summer Paralympics (326 gold, 259 silver, 198 bronze), which puts them in all-time sixth place in the Summer Paralympic medal table behind the USA, Great Britain, Canada, Australia and France.
- At the London 2012 Summer Paralympics, China pocketed 95 gold medals, 71 silver medals and 65 bronze medals, making it by far the most successful NPC in the competition. Russia came second on 36 gold medals.
- China also led the medal table in Athens in 2004 and in their home Games in Beijing in 2008.
- China's most successful Paralympic athlete is swimmer Du Jian Ping, who has won nine gold medals, four silver medals and two bronze medals between 2004 and 2012.

Athletes:

Nordic skiing

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Shishuai	CHENG		
Haitao	DU		
Jianhui	LIU		
Ye	TIAN		
Dexin	ZOU		



Wheelchair curling

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Jun	HE		
Wei	LIU		
Haitao	WANG		
Guangqin	XU		
Qiang	ZHANG		

Paralympic Winter Games debut: 2002

Year	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010
Athletes								4	7	7
Gold								0	0	0
Silver								0	0	0
Bronze								0	0	0
Total								0	0	0