


Wikipedia: The Free Encyclopedia

And its relation to free software, by User:Habst

Wikipedia: larger than you think?

- Over 7,000,000 English articles
- Over 40,000,000 articles under other-language Wikipedias ()
- Sister projects for dictionaries, how-tos, educational material, etc.
- Articles are generally subject to notability guidelines
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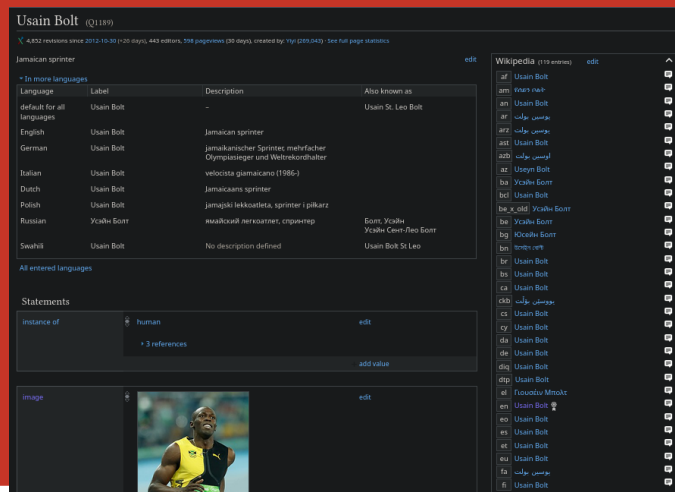
Wikipedia is backed by Wikidata: CC0

- Each Wikipedia article is linked to a Wikidata item, a structured database (also run by the Wikimedia Foundation) with an even broader scope

- Example for Usain Bolt: (Q1189 )

- Wikidata:

- Used to link all the multi-language Wikipedia articles about a topic to the same item
- Can host arbitrary structured data, subject to certain property constraints
- Is also editable by the public





The Wikipedia community and free software

- The Wikipedia community is often at the forefront of identifying and compiling freely licensed information on nearly all topics of note
- Ex: SpongeBob case identified by Wikipedians
 - [\[\[Wikipedia:Requests for comment/Spongebob Squarepants is now freely licensed!\]\]](#)



Automated editing

- Established editors can register bots via a manual review process
- There are also tools like JSWB to do global rule-based editing ()
- My bot: WikiTrackBot <https://wikidata.org/wiki/User:WikiTrackBot>
- Related: Dozens of “semi-automated editing” scripts ()

Achievements and titles	
National finals	2016 German U16s
	• 100m, 3rd 
	2019 German U20s
	• 100m, 4th
	2020 German Champs
	• 100m, 6th
	• 200m, 8th
	2020 German U20s
	• 100m, 1st 
	2021 German Champs
	• 200m, 6th
	2021 German U23s
	• 100m, 2nd 
	2022 German Indoors
	• 60m, 8th
	• 200m, 3rd 

Scripts

- User:Habst/getInfoboxNationals.js
- User:Habst/WorldAthletics2Wiki.js
- User:Habst/WorldAthletics2Medalists.js
- User:Habst/getNationalRecords.js
- User:Habst/athPodiumMedalTable.js
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Threats to Wikipedia

- Wikipedia has been censored (content blocked) in 12 countries: [\[\[Censorship of Wikipedia\]\]](#)
- In April 2025, USADC Ed Martin threatened revoking Wikipedia's 501c3 status, per [\[:wikisource:Letter from Ed Martin to the Wikimedia Foundation\]](#)
- Lastly, organized and unorganized vandalism can be an issue
 - Many mobile data networks are blocked from account creation – start editing on a private or home network if experiencing issues

How to get involved?

- Find a WikiProject that interests you
 - Over 2,000 interest-specific communities
- Fix typos and other simple errors
 - [[WP:Typo Team]], or [[WP:Adopt-a-typo]] provide guidance
- Be [[WP:BOLD]]!



Staying in touch

Wikimedia NYC: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Wikipedia:Meetup/NYC/Discord>

WikiProject Athletics Discord: <https://discord.gg/drdrpyXNv5>

My user page: <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/User:Habst>

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Athletics	2018 NCAA Division I Outdoor Track and Field Championships · 2016 European Champion Clubs Cup · 2005 European Champion Clubs Cup · 2006 European Champion Clubs Cup · 2007 European Champion Clubs Cup · 2024 World Athletics Indoor Tour · 2023 Indoor Meeting Karlsruhe · 2023 New Balance Indoor Grand Prix · 2023 Copernicus Cup · 2023 Meeting Hauts-de-France Pas-de-Calais · 2023 Villa de Madrid Indoor Meeting · 2023 Birmingham Indoor Grand Prix · Athletics at the 2021 National Games of China · 2015 World Youth Championships in Athletics · Boys' 400 metres · 2016 World Youth Championships in Athletics · Girls' 2000 metres steeplechase · 2019 Anniversary Games · 2019 Birmingham Grand Prix · 2013 World School Athletics Championships · 2021 Doha Diamond League · 2021 Golden Gal · 2021 Bislet Games · 2021 BAHHAUS-galan · 2018 Melanesian Championships in Athletics · 2021 Herculis · 2021 Anniversary Games · 2021 Meeting de Rabat · 2021 Memorial Van Damme · 2021 Weltklasse Zürich · 2022 Doha Diamond League · 2022 Anniversary Games · 2022 Balkan Athletics Indoor Championships · 2022 Meeting International Mohammed VI d'Athlétisme de Rabat · 2022 Golden Gal · 2022 Bislet Games · 2022 Meeting de Paris · 2022 BAHHAUS-galan · 2022 Memorial Van Damme · 2022 Weltklasse Zürich · 2023 Doha Diamond League · 2023 Meeting International Mohammed VI d'Athlétisme de Rabat · 2015 World Youth Championships in Athletics · Boys' 1500 metres · 2022 Arabo U20 Athletics Championships · 2022 Golden Gal · 2023 Meeting de Paris · 2024 Astana Indoor Meeting · 2023 Bislet Games · 2024 Athletissima · 2024 Czech Indoor Gal · 2023 BAHHAUS-galan · 2019 European Athletics Junior Championships · Men's 400 metres hurdles · 2024 New Balance Indoor Grand Prix · 2024 Copernicus Cup · 2024 Meeting Hauts-de-France Pas-de-Calais · 2023 Kamila Skolimowska Memorial · 2024 Milrose Games · 2023 Herculis · 2024 World Athletics Continental Tour · 2024 Maurie Plant Meet · 2024 USA Indoor Track and Field Championships · Results · 2023 Mediterranean Athletics U23 Indoor Championships · 2023 Mediterranean Athletics U23 Indoor Championships · Res · 2023 Anniversary Games · 2022 Mediterranean Athletics U23 Championships · 2023 Nordic Athletics Championships · 2023 Weltklasse Zürich · 2024 Villa de Madrid Indoor Meeting · 2019 China-Japan-Korea Friendship Athletic Meeting · 2023 Xiamen Diamond League · 2023 Anniversary Games	

Questions?

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