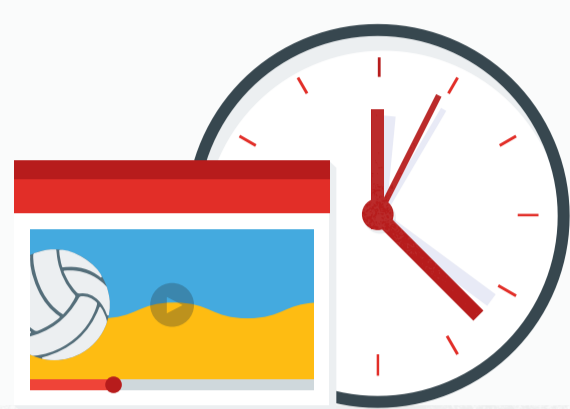


# The Rio 2016 Olympics on YouTube



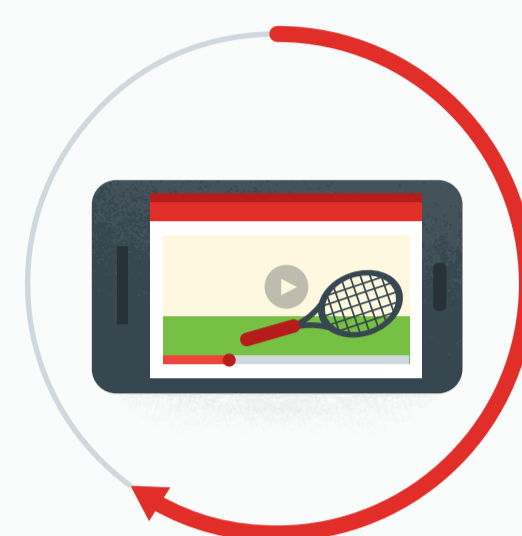
From high-flying floor routines to record-breaking races, the Rio 2016 Olympics were jam-packed with thrilling moments. Here's a look at how viewers used YouTube to keep up with the Olympic excitement.

During the Rio 2016 Olympics, viewers watched over



**40M hours**  
of related video content on YouTube.<sup>1</sup>

*That's like watching Usain Bolt run the 200-meter dash over **7B times!***<sup>2</sup>



**Over 60%**  
of Olympic-related video watch time on YouTube came from mobile devices.<sup>1</sup>

To help bring the games to life for hundreds of millions of fans around the world, YouTube partnered with broadcasters in more than 60 countries. Viewers were quick to tune in:



Subscriptions to YouTube's broadcaster partners' channels grew by over **20%** during the Rio 2016 Olympics.<sup>3</sup>

Before, during, and after the Rio 2016 Olympics, viewers turned to YouTube for more information about their favorite sports and athletes:

The top most-searched sports on YouTube during the Rio 2016 Olympics included:<sup>4</sup>



Basketball



Gymnastics



Badminton



Swimming and Diving



Beach Volleyball

The five most-searched athletes on YouTube during the Rio 2016 Olympics were:<sup>5</sup>



Usain Bolt



Michael Phelps



Simone Biles



Lee Chong Wei



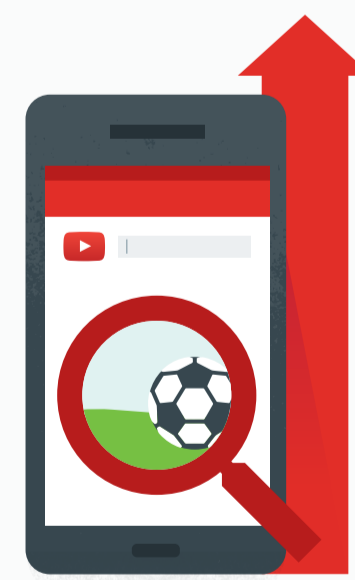
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Olympic excitement ramped up early:



From April 2016 through June 2016, Rio 2016 Olympic sponsors' ads received the equivalent of over

**400 years of watch time.**<sup>6</sup>



Since the 2014 Games, search interest for Olympic-related terms on YouTube has risen over **90%**.<sup>7</sup>

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