

Issy-Les-Moulineaux
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2008 INTERNATIONAL PARIS MARATHON: 35 000 runners registered

Four months before the start of the International Paris Marathon the organisers have closed entries, after receiving 35 000 complete registrations. The fixed limit, maintained for the last three years to ensure comfortable participation conditions in the starting and finishing zones, was reached within the space of two months, a clear indication of the manifest enthusiasm generated by the Paris Marathon each year.

86 % of entries for the 2008 edition were registered on-line via the web site www.parismarathon.com.

Of the 35 000 competitors registered, approximately 17% are women. More than 70% of participants are French. As in 2007, the regions of Brittany, Nord Pas de Calais and Provence Alpes Côtés d'Azur are the most represented. Close to 100 nationalities will be present this year, with almost 10 000 runners from foreign countries, including: England (approximately 2 600 participants), Germany (approximately 900), America (close to 850) and Italy (more than 800).

A landmark event for all running enthusiasts, the Paris Marathon will start from the Champs-Élysées on Sunday the 6th of April 2008, at 8h45. The route will take the runners through the streets of Paris via the Place de la Concorde, the rue de Rivoli, the Bastille, the Bois de Vincennes, the Quais de Seine, the Trocadéro, and the Bois de Boulogne for a finish on Avenue Foch.

As is the case every year, Marathon Expo will open its doors prior to the race, on the 3rd, 4th and 5th of April. All runners can collect their bib numbers here and profit from this privileged meeting place for runners and professionals from the running community. Close to 140 exhibitors will be present and, as ever, this exhibition will be open free of charge to the public.

The list of registered runners and all information on the race is available at the official web site:
www.parismarathon.com

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