

# Who's the better player? Michael Jordan or LeBron James?

## Michael Jordan



### Career highlights and awards

- 6x NBA champion (1991–1993, 1996–1998)
- 6x NBA Finals MVP (1991–1993, 1996–1998)
- 5x NBA Most Valuable Player (1988, 1991–1992, 1996, 1998)
- 14x NBA All-Star (1985–1993, 1996–1998, 2002–2003)
- 3x NBA All-Star Game MVP (1988, 1996, 1998)
- 10x All-NBA First Team (1987–1993, 1996–1998)
- All-NBA Second Team (1985)
- NBA Defensive Player of the Year (1988)
- 9x NBA All-Defensive First Team (1988–1993, 1996–1998)
- NBA Rookie of the Year (1985)
- 10x NBA scoring champion (1987–1993, 1996–1998)
- 3x NBA steals champion (1988, 1990, 1993)
- 2x NBA Slam Dunk Contest champion (1987–1988)
- NBA playoffs all-time leading scorer
- Chicago Bulls all-time leading scorer
- No. 23 retired by Chicago Bulls
- No. 23 retired by Miami Heat
- 3x AP Athlete of the Year (1991, 1992, 1993)
- 2x USA Basketball Male Athlete of the Year (1983, 1984)
- NBA's 50th Anniversary All-Time Team
- NCAA champion (1982)
- 2x Consensus first-team All-American (1983, 1984)
- National college player of the year (1984)
- ACC Player of the Year (1984)
- No. 23 retired by the University of North Carolina

### Career statistics

**Points** 32,292 (30.1 ppg)  
**Rebounds** 6,672 (6.2 rpg)  
**Assists** 5,633 (5.3 apg)  
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### Medals

| Medals                            |                  |                  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Men's Basketball                  |                  |                  |
| Competitor for the  United States |                  |                  |
| Olympic Games                     |                  |                  |
|                                   | 1984 Los Angeles | Men's basketball |
|                                   | 1992 Barcelona   | Men's basketball |
| FIBA Americas Championship        |                  |                  |
|                                   | 1992 Portland    | Men's basketball |
| Pan American Games                |                  |                  |
|                                   | 1983 Caracas     | Men's basketball |

## LeBron James



### Career highlights and awards

- 2x NBA champion (2012, 2013)
- 2x NBA Finals MVP (2012, 2013)
- 4x NBA Most Valuable Player (2009, 2010, 2012, 2013)
- 12x NBA All-Star (2005–2016)
- 2x NBA All-Star Game MVP (2006, 2008)
- 9x All-NBA First Team (2006, 2008–2015)
- 2x All-NBA Second Team (2005, 2007)
- 5x NBA All-Defensive First Team (2009–2013)
- NBA All-Defensive Second Team (2014)
- NBA Rookie of the Year (2004)
- NBA scoring champion (2008)
- Cleveland Cavaliers all-time leading scorer
- AP Athlete of the Year (2013)
- USA Basketball Male Athlete of the Year (2012)
- Naismith Prep Player of the Year (2003)
- McDonald's All-American Game MVP (2003)
- 3x Ohio Mr. Basketball (2001–2003)

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|-----------------------------------|----------------|------|
| Men's Basketball                  |                |      |
| Competitor for the  United States |                |      |
| Olympic Games                     |                |      |
|                                   | 2004 Athens    | Team |
|                                   | 2008 Beijing   | Team |
|                                   | 2012 London    | Team |
| FIBA World Championship           |                |      |
|                                   | 2006 Japan     | Team |
| FIBA Americas Championship        |                |      |
|                                   | 2007 Las Vegas | Team |

Points - 26,159 (27.2 ppg)

Rebounds - 6859 (7.1 rpg)

Assists - 6624 (6.9 apg)