

## USA Basketball Statistics:

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
06 WC	9/ 9	48- 96	.500	25- 50	.500	8- 15	.533	28/ 3.1	129/ 14.3	20	3	4
06 WCX	1/ 1	4- 8	.500	2- 3	.667	0- 0	.---	1/ 1.0	10/ 10.0	2	1	0
06 WNT	3/ 2	8- 24	.333	4- 15	.267	0- 0	.---	5/ 1.7	20/ 6.7	10	1	2
04 OLY	8/ 0	26- 69	.377	11- 33	.333	5- 7	.714	24/ 3.0	68/ 8.5	8	3	7
04 WNT	6/ 0	17- 38	.447	6- 19	.316	0- 3	.000	14/ 2.3	40/ 6.7	15	2	4
01 JWC	7/ 7	47- 100	.470	22- 51	.431	19- 24	.792	31/ 4.4	135/ 19.3	19	4	7
01 JWCX	4/ 4	21- 41	.512	8- 18	.444	5- 9	.556	13/ 3.3	55/ 13.8	16	2	11
00 JWCQ	5/ 5	21- 40	.525	11- 26	.423	10- 13	.769	21/ 4.2	63/ 12.6	23	2	13
<b>Totals</b>	<b>43/28</b>	<b>192- 416</b>	<b>.462</b>	<b>89-215</b>	<b>.414</b>	<b>47-71</b>	<b>.662</b>	<b>136/ 3.2</b>	<b>520/ 12.1</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>48</b>

## WNBA Statistics:

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006	34/ 34	298- 660	.452	121- 305	.397	143-183	.781	122/ 3.6	860/ 25.3	139	27	42
2005	33/ 33	175- 427	.410	56- 179	.313	121- 151	.801	138/ 4.2	527/ 16.0	150	28	38
2004	34/ 34	209- 503	.416	62- 188	.330	98- 129	.760	149/ 4.4	578/ 17.0	132	25	43
<b>Totals</b>	<b>101/101</b>	<b>682-1590</b>	<b>.429</b>	<b>239-672</b>	<b>.356</b>	<b>362-463</b>	<b>.782</b>	<b>409/ 4.0</b>	<b>1965/ 19.5</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>123</b>

## College Statistics:

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2004	35/34	197- 432	.456	85- 218	.390	89- 112	.795	139/ 4.0	568/ 16.2	170	27	53
2003	37/37	237- 498	.476	70- 200	.350	119- 146	.815	225/ 6.1	663/ 17.9	161	45	32
2002	39/38	200- 405	.494	92- 209	.440	72- 87	.828	158/ 4.1	564/ 14.5	208	46	50
2001	33/14	127- 286	.444	71- 184	.386	36- 41	.878	106/ 3.2	361/ 10.9	109	29	39
<b>Totals</b>	<b>143/123</b>	<b>755-1604</b>	<b>.471</b>	<b>316 -804</b>	<b>.393</b>	<b>312- 381</b>	<b>.819</b>	<b>622/ 4.3</b>	<b>2138/ 15.0</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>174</b>

## Professional Notes:

- Led the league in scoring in 2006, averaging a WNBA-record, 25.3 ppg.
- Became the first WNBA player to reach the 800-point mark in a single season, finishing the 2006 campaign with 860 points.
- Bettered the previous marks established in 2001 by Katie Smith, (23.1 ppg., 739 points).
- Scored a WNBA single-game record 47 points versus Houston (8/10/06) in a triple-overtime 111-110 victory.
- Scored 22 points in her rookie debut, followed that with a 26-point outing and another 22-point game to average a league second best 23.3 ppg. to start the season.
- Competed during the 2005-06 season for Moscow Dynamo and helped the club reach the 2006 EuroLeague quarterfinals.

### WNBA Highlights:

- **Drafted:** No. 1 overall in 2004 by the Phoenix Mercury.
- **All-WNBA first team:** 2004, 2006
- **All-WNBA second team:** 2005
- **All-Star Games:** 2005, 2006
- **Rookie of the Year:** 2004
- **WNBA All-Decade Team** honorable mention

## College Notes:

- All-told, in her collegiate career, helped the Huskies to a 139-8 (.946) overall record, including an equally impressive 22-1 (.957) mark in NCAA tournaments, winning three in her career, along with four Big East Conference regular season and two Big East Tournament crowns.
- Became the fifth two-time winner of the Naismith Player of the Year award after earning honors in 2003 and 2004, also collected the Honda award in 2003 and 2004.
- Awarded the 2003 Wade Trophy, and was named the 2003 Player of the Year by the Associated Press and U.S. Basketball Writers Association, while also receiving the '03 and '04 Nancy Lieberman-Cline National Point Guard of the Year awards.
- Collected 2003 and 2004 Final Four Most Outstanding Player honors after capturing her second and third straight titles, and was named the 2001, 2003 and 2004 NCAA Tournament Region MOP and in 2002 was an NCAA All-Regional selection.
- A three-time All-Big East Tournament pick, became the league's first rookie to collect All-Big East Tournament MVP accolades.
- Named 2003 and 2004 Big East Player of the Year, and three times (2002-04) to the All-Big East first team.
- Named to the Big East Silver Anniversary Team, the only then-current student-athlete selected to the squad.

## Personal Notes:

- Born on June 11, 1982, hails from Chino, Calif., and majored in sociology at UConn.
- Attended Don Lugo High School (Calif.), where she was named the 2000 Naismith and Parade Magazine National High School Player of the Year.
- Daughter of Mario, who was born in Italy and raised in Argentina, and Liliana, a native Argentinian; has one sister, Jessika.
- Her father played professional soccer as a goalie.
- Her family moved to Southern California before Dee was born, but she can speak Spanish thanks to her parents.

# DIANA TAURASI

<b>Position</b>	Guard/Forward
<b>Height</b>	6-0 (183 cms)
<b>Weight</b>	170 lbs. (77 kgs)
<b>Birthday</b>	June 11, 1982
<b>WNBA Team</b>	Phoenix Mercury
<b>School</b>	Connecticut '04
<b>Hometown</b>	Chino, California
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## USA Basketball Notes:

- Member of the 2006 USA Basketball Women's World Championship Team that posted an 8-1 record and took home the bronze medal; started all nine contests and held the squad's team-high scoring honors in three games, including 21 points in the semifinals versus Russia and 28 points in the bronze medal game versus host Brazil.
- Earned the tournament's 3-point trophy after nailing 50 percent of her 50 attempts from beyond the arc.
- Her 6-of-7 shooting from 3-point in the bronze medal game set the new USA World Championship single-game record for made 3-pointers and tied the record for attempts.
- Aided the U.S. to a 56-49 exhibition victory over eventual World Championship gold medalist Australia, had 10 points and two assists.
- Member of the 2006 USA Basketball Senior National Team for the USA's March 2-9 European Tour; averaged 6.7 ppg.; and 3.3 apg.
- The youngest player on the 2004 U.S. Women's Olympic Team that posted an 8-0 record and claimed gold in Athens; averaged 8.5 ppg. and 3.0 rpg.
- Averaged 4.3 ppg. and 2.3 rpg. in the USA's three pre-Olympic exhibition contests.
- Joined the 2004 USA Senior National Team less than 48 hours after winning her third NCAA title with the University of Connecticut and averaged 9.0 ppg., 2.3 rpg. and 4.0 apg. in the USA's three spring exhibition games.
- Member of the 2001 USA Junior World Championship Team that posted a 6-1 record and earned the bronze medal, averaged 19.3 ppg., and passed off for a team high 2.7 apg.
- Prior to the Junior Worlds, averaged 13.8 ppg. and 4.0 apg. in helping the U.S. women capture the USA Basketball International Invitational with a 4-0 record against Brazil, China and Japan.
- Member of the 2000 USA Basketball Women's Junior World Championship Qualifying Team that recorded a 5-0 record, earned the gold medal and received a berth in the 2001 Junior Worlds; started all five games and averaged a team second best 12.6 ppg., a team high 4.6 apg. and added 4.2 rpg.
- Was the '01 squad's unofficial spokesperson (the only one fluent in Spanish) when the team went shopping, eating or walking around town in Mar del Plata, Argentina.

### Gold Medals:

- 2004 Olympics
- 2000 Junior World Championship Qualifying

### Bronze Medals:

- 2006 FIBA World Championship, 2001 FIBA Junior World Championship

### Honors:

- Awarded the 3-point shooter trophy at the 2006 World Championship
- 2001 All-FIBA Junior World Championship Team
- July 2001 USA Basketball Female Athlete of the Month