

USA Basketball Statistics:

TEAM	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
06 WWCX	9/ 9	20- 46	.435	3- 11	.273	20- 27	.741	62/ 6.9	63/ 7.0	13	3	18
06 WWCX	1/ 1	2- 7	.286	0- 3	.000	0- 2	.000	2/ 2.0	4/ 4.0	1	1	3
04 OLY	8/ 8	19- 47	.404	2- 8	.250	15- 18	.833	43/ 5.4	55/ 6.9	3	4	22
04 WNT	16/ 7	57- 115	.496	15- 33	.455	17- 20	.850	92/ 5.8	146/ 9.1	19	10	28
02 WC	9/ 9	33- 59	.559	13- 27	.481	11- 16	.688	51/ 5.7	90/ 10.0	9	0	22
02 WCX	4/ 4	15- 32	.469	3- 10	.300	1- 5	.200	24/ 6.0	34/ 8.5	7	3	6
02 WNT	1/ 1	4- 11	.364	1- 3	.333	0- 0	.---	4/ 4.0	9/ 9.0	1	0	0
98 JCUP	5/ 5	12- 30	.400	2- 8	.250	6- 9	.667	19/ 3.8	32/ 6.4	9	7	9
97 JWC	6/ 4	30- 54	.556	4- 12	.333	15- 20	.750	43/ 7.2	79/ 13.2	9	-	19
97 JWCX	3/ 1	11- 27	.407	0- 6	.000	5- 10	.500	16/ 5.3	27/ 9.0	6	3	9
96 JWCQ	5/ -							*10/ 5.0	*42/ 14.0	-	-	-
Totals	67/49	203-428	.474	43- 121	.355	90- 127	.709	366/ 5.5	581/ 8.7	77	31	154

NOTE: Blocks were not kept at the 1997 FIBA Junior World Championship. Complete statistics are unavailable for the 1996 Junior World Championship Qualifying Tournament.

* Catchings' rebound totals at the 1996 Junior World Championship Qualifying Tournament are for two games; her points reflect three games only; and starts are unknown. Therefore, her rebound average is over 54 games and scoring average is over 55 games.

WNBA Statistics:

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2006	32/ 32	162- 398	.407	32- 107	.299	165- 204	.809	240/ 7.5	521/ 16.3	119	35	94
2005	34/ 34	157- 410	.383	35- 123	.285	152- 193	.788	264/ 7.8	501/ 14.7	143	16	90
2004	34/ 33	180-468	.385	56-167	.385	152-178	.854	249/ 7.3	568/ 16.7	115	38	67
2003	34/ 34	221- 512	.432	74- 191	.387	155- 183	.847	272/ 8.0	671/ 19.7	114	35	72
2002	32/ 32	184- 439	.419	76- 193	.394	150- 184	.815	276/ 8.6	594/ 18.6	118	43	94
2001		DNP -- injured										
Totals	166/165	904-2227	.406	273-781	.350	774-942	.822	1301/ 7.8	2855/ 17.2	609	167	417

College Statistics:

YEAR	G/S	FGM-FGA	PCT	3PM-3PA	PCT	FTM-FTA	PCT	REB/AVG	PTS/AVG	AST	BLK	STL
2001	17/ 17	93- 195	.477	23- 67	.343	50- 62	.806	150/ 8.8	259/ 15.2	50	20	31
2000	37/ 37	209- 440	.475	40- 121	.331	122- 159	.767	292/ 7.9	580/ 15.7	101	28	92
1999	34/ 34	205- 400	.513	19- 68	.279	134- 173	.775	249/ 7.3	563/ 16.6	95	31	88
1998	39/ 37	253- 471	.537	40- 110	.364	165- 217	.760	313/ 8.0	711/ 18.2	92	61	100
Totals	127/125	760-1506	.505	122- 366	.333	471- 611	.771	1004/ 7.9	2113/ 16.6	338	140	311

Award by the world-famous Massachusetts Eye and Ear Infirmary in Boston. The annual award is presented to an individual who has overcome hearing, vision or voice loss and who has distinguished themselves and provided inspiration to others.

- Collected numerous national accolades as a prep star, including the 1997 Boost/Naismith and Rawlings/WBCA National Prep Player of the Year awards.
- A four-time *Parade Magazine* All-American, she was also named to the 1997 *USA Today* Girls High School All-USA first team, as well as Texas Player of the Year by *USA Today*. In 1995 Catchings was named Illinois Miss Basketball as a sophomore, becoming the first underclassman in Illinois to receive the award.

Did You Know? The soft-spoken high school senior-to-be first donned a U.S. jersey as a member of the 18-and-under 1996 USA Junior World Championship Qualifying Team. At the same time the junior squad was training in Colorado Springs, Colo., the historic 1995-96 USA Basketball Women's National Team was also practicing at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. The wide-eyed prep star watched in awe as future teammates [Lisa Leslie](#), [Sheryl Swoopes](#) and [Dawn Staley](#), as well as storied veterans like [Teresa Edwards](#) and [Katrina McClain](#) executed perfect plays during practice. Catchings hoped that one day she'd be on that senior team preparing for the Olympics. Eight years later, the dream became a reality when she stepped onto the court in Athens.

Professional Notes

- Aided the Fever in 2006 to a 21-13 slate and the Eastern Conference playoffs.
- Capped the 2006 season ranked among league leaders first for steals (2.9 spg.); seventh for rebounds (7.5 rpg.), assists (3.7 apg.) and double-doubles (6); eighth for scoring (16.3 ppg.); and ninth for blocked shots (1.1 bpg.).
- Was the leading vote-getter for the 2006 WNBA All-Star Game.
- Received 43 of a possible 66 votes in the 2006 WNBA Defensive Player of the Year voting and 25 of a possible 28 votes for the All-Defensive first team.
- Sat out the 2001 WNBA season while recovering from a torn right ACL which cut short her final season at Tennessee. She then suffered torn cartilage in the same knee during a practice on July 5, underwent surgery and missed the remainder of the season.
- Started her first season by earning the first 2002 WNBA Player of the Week honor and went on to become the only player to earn a pair of WNBA Player of the Week honors that season.
- Received 48 out of a possible 60 WNBA Rookie of the Year votes in 2002 and finished as the second vote getter for WNBA Defensive Player of the Year honors after aiding the Fever to its best record and first playoff berth in franchise history.
- Finished as runner-up for the 2003 WNBA MVP award.
- Honed honed her game internationally in South Korea and Russia over the past three WNBA off-seasons.

WNBA Highlights:

Drafted: No. 3 in 2001 by the Indiana Fever.

- **All-WNBA first team:** 2002, 2003, 2006
- **All-WNBA second team:** 2004, 2005
- **WNBA Defensive Player of the Year:** 2005, 2006
- **WNBA All-Defensive first team:** 2005, 2006
- **WNBA Rookie of the Year:** 2002
- **WNBA All-Star Games:** 2002, 2003, 2005, 2006 (injured)
- **WNBA All-Decade Team**

College Notes

- During her four years at Tennessee, helped the Lady Vols to a 134-10 overall record for a 93.1 winning percentage as UT collected four Southeastern Conference (SEC) regular season crowns, three SEC Tournament titles, competed in four NCAA Tournaments, won the NCAA championship in 1998, advanced to the NCAA Final Four in 2000, and made Elite Eight (1999) and Sweet Sixteen (2001) appearances.
- The 2001 ESPY award winner as the College Women's Basketball Player of the Year and consensus National Player of the Year in 2000, named to the 1998 and 2000 NCAA All-Final Four teams, earned 2000 NCAA Midwest Region Most Outstanding Player honors and was selected to the 1999 NCAA East and 2000 Mideast All-Regional teams.
- A four-time Kodak/WBCA All-America first team selection and was named the 1998 National Rookie of the Year by The Sporting News and the U.S. Basketball Writers Association.
- A three-time All-SEC first team selection (1998, 1999, 2000), was named All-SEC second team in 2001, earned SEC All-Tournament Team honors in 1998, 1999 and 2000, was named 1998 SEC Newcomer of the Year by the A.P., and the SEC's 1998 Freshman of the Year.

Personal Notes

- Born July 21, 1979 in Stratford, N.J., finished high school in Duncanville, Texas, after spending her first two years of high school playing basketball with her sister, Tauja, in Lincolnshire, Ill.
- Her father, Harvey Catchings, competed 11 years in the NBA for the LA Clippers, Milwaukee, New Jersey, and Philadelphia. He is currently the Director, for NBA Player Programs.
- Annually hosts 'Catch The Fever,' a holiday basketball camp that in 2005 celebrated its fifth year. She is the lead instructor at the three-day camp, which features 100 kids ages 9-14.
- Involved heavily in her community, was called upon by President Bush to attend his 2004 State of the Union speech as a representative of all 2004 Olympians and Olympic hopefuls.
- Honored by the WNBA for her work, Catchings has received several Off-Season WNBA Community Assist awards.
- In addition to hosting camps and clinics and raising money to enable disadvantaged youths to attend basketball camps, Catchings created the Catch the Stars Foundation in 2004. Taking advice from three-time Olympian Dawn Staley, the foundation is targeted towards at-risk youths and its goal is to provide both academic and athletics programs.
- Has some hearing loss and was honored during her junior season at UT with the Reynolds Society Achievement

TAMIKA CATCHINGS

Position	Forward
Height	6-0 / 183 cms
Weight	166 / 75 kgs
Birthday	July 21, 1979
WNBA Team	Indiana Fever
School	Tennessee '01
Hometown	Duncanville, Texas

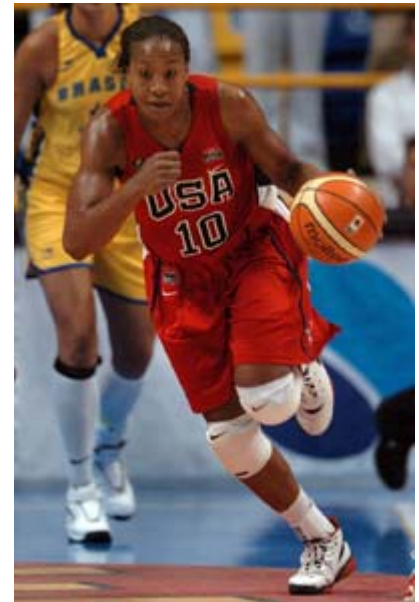


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USA Basketball Notes:

- 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 games and averaged 7.0 ppg. and team-highs of 6.9 rpg. and 18 steals in just over 21 minutes a game.
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- Aided the U.S. to a 56-49 exhibition victory over eventual World Championship gold medalist Australia, had four points, two rebounds and three steals.
- As a member of the 2004 U.S. Women's Olympic Team, supplied 6.9 ppg. and 5.4 rpg. to go with a team-high 22 steals en route to the gold medal and an 8-0 mark.
- In the USA's trio of pre-Olympic exhibition games, averaged 7.3 ppg. and 6.7 rpg. as the U.S. squad downed a group of WNBA All-Stars, as well as national teams from France and Spain.
- Provided a strong spark off the bench during the USA's 13-0 spring training run over teams in Cuba, Europe and the United States; averaged 9.5 ppg. and 5.5 rpg. overall, while starting four contests. Her best outing was against Japan, when she tallied 17 points and 11 rebounds on April 12.
- Averaged a USA third-best 10.0 ppg. en route to helping the U.S. to the gold medal and a 9-0 slate at the 2002 FIBA World Championship.
- Member of the 1998 R. William Jones Cup Team that posted a 5-0 record in Taipei, Taiwan, started all five games and averaged a team fourth best 6.4 ppg., a team third best 3.8 rpg., and added a team high seven blocks.
- Member of the 1997 USA Basketball Junior World Championship Team which won the gold medal with a 6-1 record, averaged 13.2 ppg. (second best), 3.2 spg., and a team high 7.2 rpg.
- Is the first American woman to claim gold at both the junior and senior level World Championships.
- Member of the 1996 USA Junior World Championship Qualifying Team that captured the silver medal with a 4-1 record.

Gold Medals:

- 2004 Olympics
- 2002 FIBA World Championship
- 2002 Opals World Challenge
- 1998 R. William Jones Cup
- 1997 FIBA Junior World Championship

Silver Medal:

- 1997 COPABA Junior World Championship Qualifying Tournament

Bronze Medal:

- 2006 FIBA World Championship