

# Team USA, Team Toyota's Erin Jackson Wins First Olympic Gold Medal at Olympic Winter Games

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**BEIJING (Feb. 14, 2022)** – At 29 years old, Team Toyota's Erin Jackson won her first Olympic gold medal, taking first place in the women's 500m long track speedskating event at the Olympic Winter Games Beijing 2022 on Sunday, February 13, 2022. This win makes her the first Black woman to win an individual gold medal in speedskating at the Winter Olympics.

"I think I cried immediately," Jackson said to TeamUSA.org. "Just a big release of emotion. A lot of shock, a lot of relief and a lot of happiness."

With a time of 37.04, Jackson's gold medal performance also marks the first U.S. individual speedskating gold medal since 2010 and the first American woman to win the 500m event since 1994. Coming into the Olympic Winter Games, Jackson was the No. 1 ranked women's 500m skater in the world and won four of the eight world cups this competition season.

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