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Lindsey Vonn is the most successful female alpine skier in the history of the sport. Six weeks after she turned 20, Ms. Vonn captured her first World Cup victory in Lake Louise, Alberta. In 2010, she became the only American woman to win downhill gold at the Olympics. She also won a bronze in super-G. After recovering from two consecutive knee injuries, Ms. Vonn returned to competition in December 2014. On January 19, 2015, she broke Annemarie Moser-Proell's 35-year-old record of 62 World Cup victories. Over the course of her career, she captured a world-record 77 World Cup wins en route to 20 FIS Alpine World Cup titles including four overall crystal globes and two World Championship titles. In 2016, Ms. Vonn broke the all-time downhill record (37 wins), claiming the season's downhill title outright, on top of achieving the sport's super-G record (27 wins). In February 2015, she launched the Lindsey Vonn Foundation, which has as its principal purpose the empowerment of young girls to grow as athletes and individuals through opportunities and experiences that build self-esteem and create a positive self-image. *People* magazine last year named her to its "25 Women Changing the World" list while *The New York Times* added her book, *Strong Is the New Beautiful*, to its 2016 bestseller list. She is currently training for the 2018 Winter Olympics, for which she has been named an International Games Ambassador.



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