

1996 Olympic Torch Relay

- The torch will be lit in Olympia, Greece and then flown to the United States.
- The Olympic Torch Relay begins in Los Angeles on April 27, 1996 and arrives at Olympic Stadium in Atlanta on July 19, 1996.
- The flame will travel more than 15,000 miles, visiting 42 states and 1,200 cities, over 84 days.
- The flame will pass within a two hour drive of more than 85% of the U.S. population.
- The flame will be carried by 10,000 Torchbearers, each traveling one kilometer.
- Torchbearers will be accompanied by Escort Runners who run five kilometers.
- The flame will also be transported for portions of the route via train, cable car, horseback, canoe, ferry, steamboat, plane and sailboat.
- The Relay will stop twice a day to be part of celebrations organized by communities along the route.