

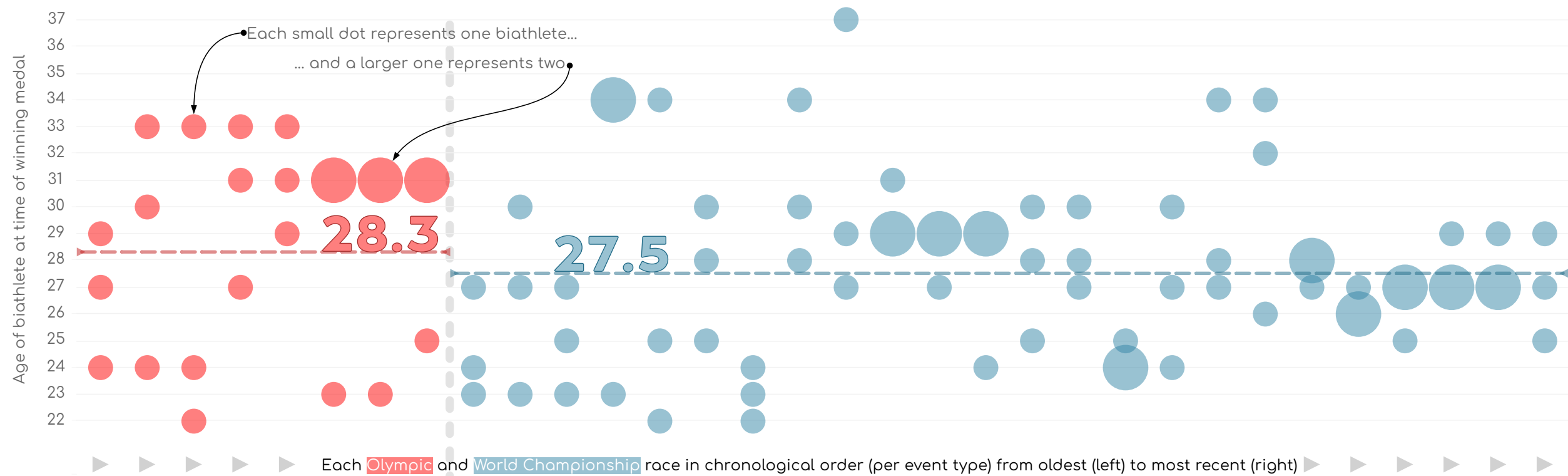


How old is too old for an Olympic medal?

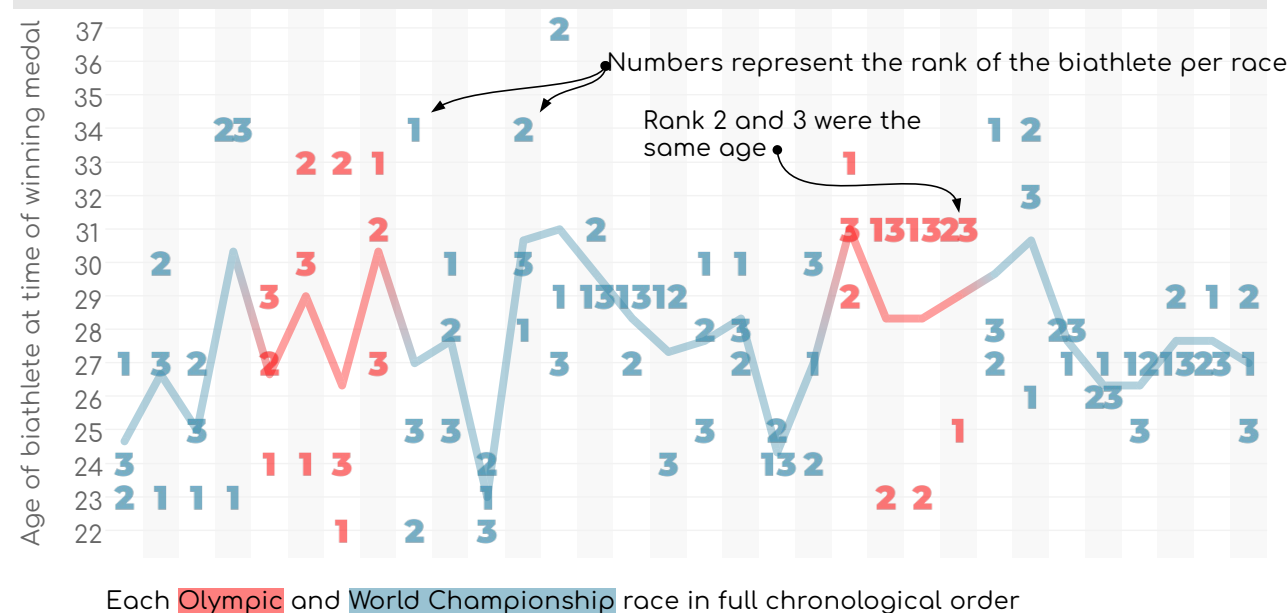


T. From USA: "I was told that the average age of a female biathlete to medal at world championships and the Olympics is 27. Is that true?"

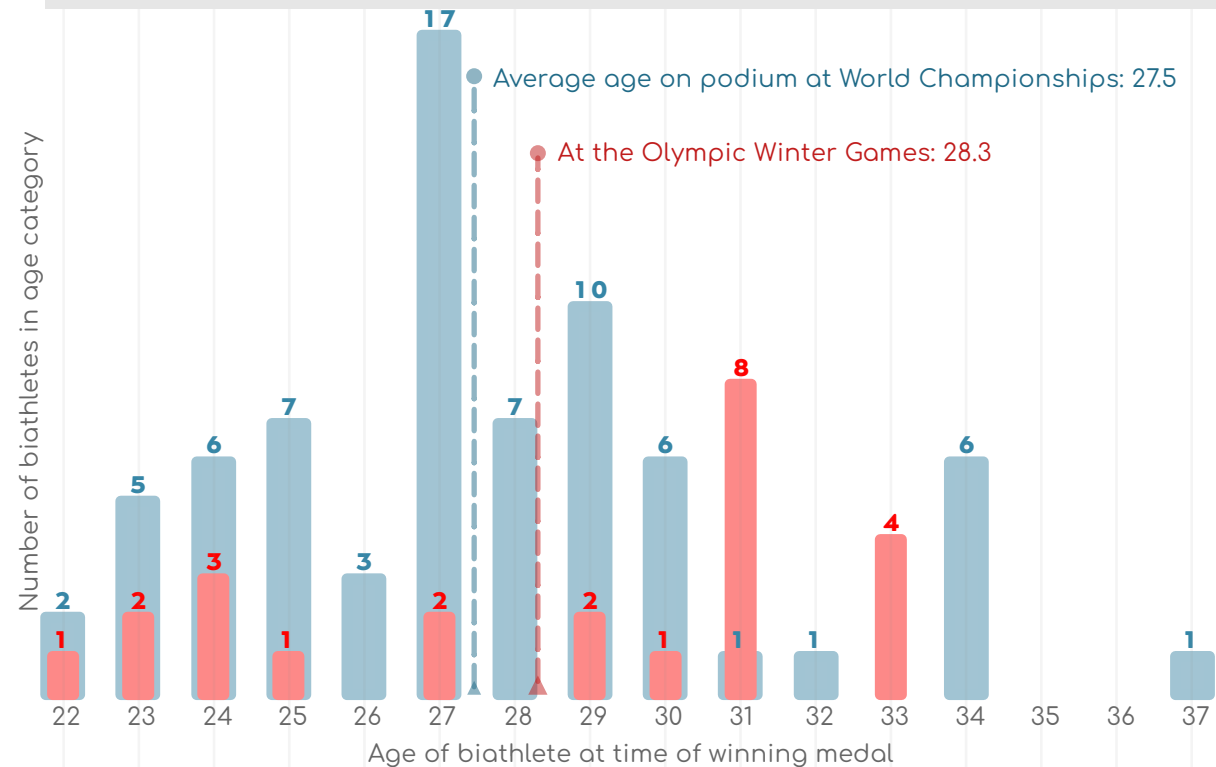
Average age of biathletes winning medals at **Olympic Games** and **World Championship** since 2016 in non-team events



Same data, different view by result (1st, 2nd and 3rd)



Distribution of medal winning biathletes by age



Question answered

The short answer to this request: no!

As we can see in the top chart, the average age for biathletes to get on the podium at Olympic winter Games is 28.3. A further look at the age distribution shows one participant who was 30 when she got a medal, eight were 31 and four were 33.

The average age for the World Championships is a little lower, at 27.5, still a little higher than 27.

The proportion of participants in their thirties is lower than for Olympic medalists, but it is still a significant size.

Thank you T for the Trigger!
RJ

Who were these medal winners?

- DUNKLEE Susan
- MAKARAINEN Kaisa
- YURLOVA-PERCHT Ekaterina
- KUZMINA Anastasiya
- HERRMANN-WICK Denise
- DOMRACHEVA Darya
- BESCOND Anaïs
- ROEISELAND Marte Olsbu
- ECKHOFF Tiril
- WIERER Dorothea
- VITKOVA Veronika
- PERSSON Linn
- VITTOZZI Lisa
- CHEVALIER-BOUCHET Anaïs
- CHARVATOVA Lucie
- HAUSER Lisa Theresa
- HETTICH-WALZ Janina
- HINZ Vanessa
- KOUKALOVA Gabriela
- SIMON Julia
- BRAISAZ-BOUCHET Justine
- JEANMONNOT Lou
- OEBERG Hanna
- RUNGGALDIER Alexia
- SOLA Hanna
- DAVIDOVA Marketa
- TANDREVOLD Ingrid Landmark
- DAHLMEIER Laura
- OEBERG Elvira