

Strength advantage over females is retained by male-to-female transitioners (transwomen).

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Figure one [1]:

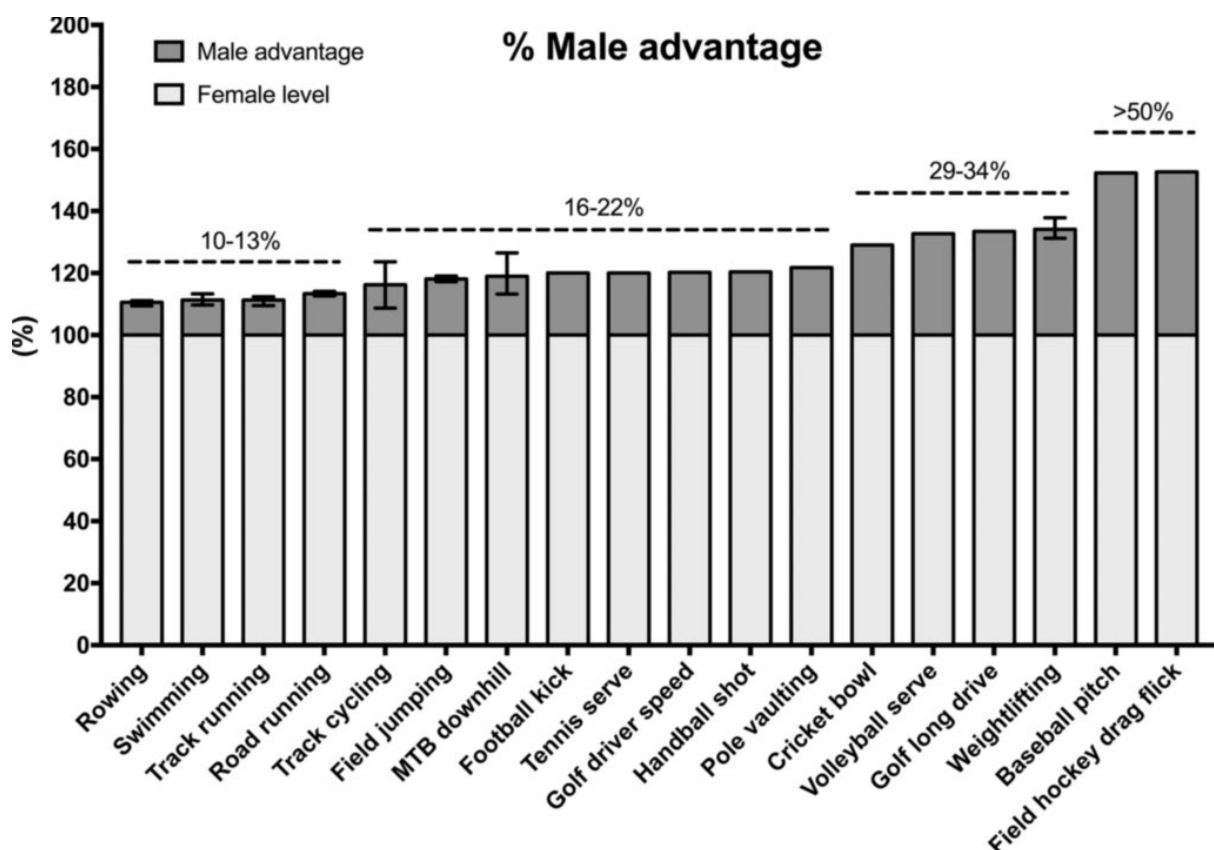


Figure 1The above graph shows the performance difference between transwomen and biological women in various sports.



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