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The purpose of this study was to analyse the factors effected success in sport competition. The selected factors were : age, level of skills, experience, importance of the match, confidence in coach, fitness, readiness of training, goal of competition, previous competition and test outcomes, fear, competition environment, difficulty of success, expectation of success, self-confidence, somatic anxiety, and cognitive anxiety. The samples were 177 tracks and fields, 93 swimmers and 26 cyclists.

Questionnaires and CSAI-2 were used as tools of the study. The data were analyzed by method of path analysis:

The findings revealed that: the factors effected on success in sport competition were respectively ranked as follows: goal of competition (.356), cognitive anxiety (-.250), previous competition and test outcomes (.181), level of skills (.181), experience (.169), and expectation of success (.155). All those factors directly effected the success in sport competition, except the level of skills indirectly effected.