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Gold medal match

- USA have won their first gold medal at the World Championships.
- USA are the sixth team to win the gold after RUS/URS (7), Japan (3), Cuba (3), China (2) and Italy (1).
- This is USA's fifth medal after silver in 1967 and 2002 and bronze in 1982 and 1990.
- China take silver and they have also won their fifth medal in World Championship history. Only RUS/URS (13) and Japan (7) have won more.
- USA are the second team to have lost two matches en route to the world title, after Italy in 2002. In all other editions the winners remained unbeaten or lost only one match.
- USA are the third team to complete the medal set of having won gold, silver and bronze at the World Championships after RUS/URS and Japan.
- Karch Kiraly (USA) has now been involved in both the gold medals for USA at women's and men's World Championships. As a player he helped USA men's team win their only gold in 1986 and as a coach he has led USA's women to their first gold.
- China join Japan and Brazil on having won a record three silver medals.
- China improved from 10th place in 2010 to silver in 2014.
- This was the third time in 10 editions with a Final being played (since 1978) that the match was decided in four sets. China was involved in both previous Finals, winning 3-1 against Cuba in 1986 and losing 3-1 against URS in 1990.

Bronze medal match

- Brazil won their first bronze medal and fourth medal in total at the World Championships. They took silver in 1994, 2006 and 2010.
- They are the only team to win a medal at the last three editions (2014, 2010, 2006).
- Brazil have won 12 of their 13 matches at this World Championship, more than any other team, including the two finalists USA (11) and China (10).
- Italy's fourth place is their second best finish at the World Championships. They won in 2002 and also finished fourth in 2006.
- Despite fighting back from two sets behind, Italy have now lost their last four World Championship matches that went into a fifth set. This is their worst run in five-set matches.