**2018 REACH REPORT SO AFRICA**

**ATHLETES**
- **278,153** Athletes
- **42,619** Unified Partners
- **320,772** Total

**2002-2018 GROWTH**
- **2002**: 692 Athletes, 115K Unified Partners
- **2006**: 2K Athletes, 20K Unified Partners
- **2008**: 82K Athletes, 2K Unified Partners
- **2018**: 278K Athletes, 43K Unified Partners

**COMPETITIONS**
- **15,505**
- Unified: **6,894**

**VOLUNTEERS**
- **21,782**
- Coaches: **27,945**
- Young Volunteers: **5,724**
- Health Providers & Students: **2,613**

**ATHLETE LEADERSHIP**
- Athlete Leaders: **973**

**FAMILY LEADERSHIP**
- Family Leaders: **1,010**

**REGIONAL FOOTPRINT**
- **36** Countries
- **36** National Programs

**UNIFIED SPORTS**
- **108,642** Total Teammates
- **66,023** Unified Athletes
- **42,619** Unified Partners

**UNIFIED PARTNERS**
- **2017-2018 CHANGE**
  - Athlete Leaders: +30%
  - Registered Family Members: +14%

**HEALTH, WELLNESS & FITNESS**
- **13,522** Healthy Athletes Screenings
- **2,613** People with ID Engaged in Ongoing Health, Wellness and Fitness

**ATHELE GENDER**
- Female: 43%
- Male: 57%

**ATHLETE AGE**
- 8-15 years: 28%
- 16-21 years: 35%
- 22+ years: 28%

**TOP SPORTS**
- **Athletics**: 156,497
- **Bocce**: 83,521
- **Football**: 18,228
- **Cricket**: 14,238
- **Badminton**: 8,699

**PROGRAM LEADERS**
- **15** Number of Paid Staff with ID
- **20** Number of Unpaid Staff with ID
OUR MISSION
Special Olympics provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in a sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

The 2018 Reach Report presents data primarily sourced from the Special Olympics annual census, which surveys the breadth, depth and impact of the global Special Olympics movement.

UNIFIED SPORTS:
Sports programming in which people with and without ID train and play

YOUTH LEADERS:
People with and without ID age 8-25 who are actively involved in leadership roles within the Movement

ATHLETE LEADERS:
Special Olympics athletes who are actively involved in leadership roles

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