

# 2022 EAST ASIA REACH REPORT

Any decline in numbers compared to 2019 data highlights the devastating impact of COVID-19 on our athletes and our global Programs. 2022 data also showcases the resilience of the global movement. Special Olympics worked to redirect programming and develop solutions to adapt to a virtual environment.



## SPORTS

TOTAL PARTICIPANTS  
ATHLETES & UNIFIED PARTNERS



1,725,910

2019-2022 CHANGE -2% ↓

## ATHLETES

PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (ID)

1,385,081 -2% ↓

## YOUNG ATHLETES

AGES 2 TO 7 YEARS

19,480 +26% ↑

## MATP

MOTOR ACTIVITY TRAINING PROGRAM

3,376 -2% ↓

## UNIFIED PARTNERS

317,973 -8% ↓

## COMPETITIONS

7,690

2019-2022 CHANGE +1% ↑



UNIFIED  
269

2019-2022 CHANGE -20% ↓

## COACHES

88,501

COACH GENDER

62.8% 37.2%  
MALE FEMALE

2019-2022 CHANGE +2% ↑

CERTIFIED 66,500

2019-2022 CHANGE -23% ↓

CERTIFIED COACH TO  
ATHLETE RATIO 1:21

## SPORTS PARTNERSHIPS

26

## GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

NATIONAL & STATE PROGRAMS

227

COUNTRIES & JURISDICTIONS

177

## REGIONAL FOOTPRINT

SOEA LOCAL CLUBS / LOCAL PROGRAMS

364

2019-2022 CHANGE +217% ↑

## LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY



ATHLETE LEADERS

20,395 +5% ↑

REGISTERED  
FAMILY MEMBERS

177,876 +10% ↑



VOLUNTEERS

57,730

2019-2022 CHANGE

-17% ↓

PROGRAMS WITH  
PAID LEADERSHIP

5 +0%

NUMBER OF PAID  
STAFF WITH ID

6 +50% ↑

## HEALTH



ATHLETES  
PARTICIPATING  
IN FITNESS

13,216

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

4 +33% ↑

HEALTH CARE  
WORKERS TRAINED

664

## EDUCATION & YOUTH



UNIFIED  
SCHOOLS

623

2019-2022 CHANGE

+75% ↑

UNIFIED CHAMPION  
SCHOOLS

41

2019-2022 CHANGE

-9% ↓

YOUTH  
LEADERS

7,963

2019-2022 CHANGE

+14% ↑

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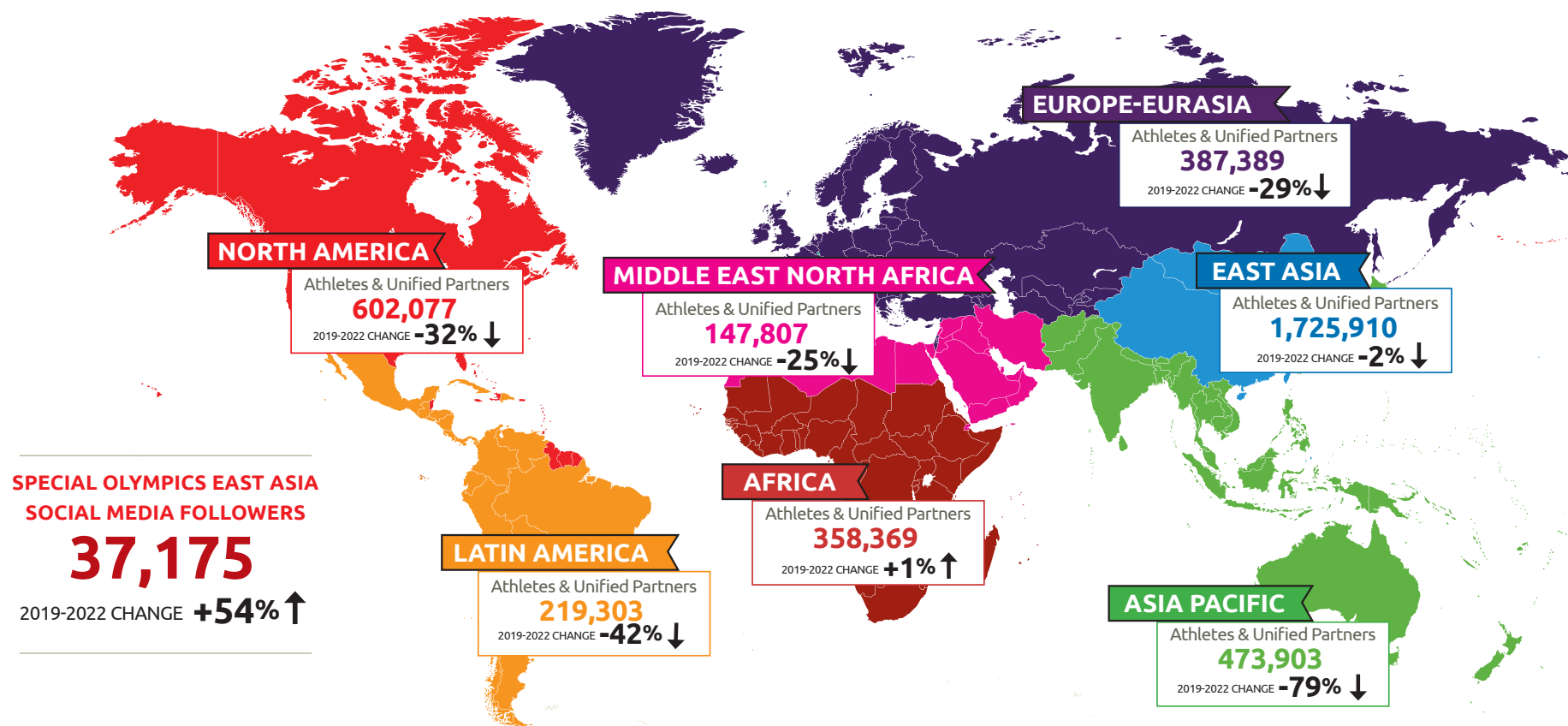
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Special  
Olympics



SPECIAL OLYMPICS EAST ASIA  
SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS

37,175

2019-2022 CHANGE +54%↑

### DEFINITIONS:

**UNIFIED SPORTS:** Special Olympics Sports programming in which people with ID (Unified Athletes) and without ID (Unified Partners) train and compete together as teammates.

**UNIFIED SCHOOLS:** a school or university that conducts Unified Sports opportunities at least 2 times within a calendar year.

**UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS®:** a program for schools Pre-K through university that promotes meaningful social inclusion utilizing 3 interconnected components: Unified Sports®, inclusive youth leadership, and whole school engagement.

**YOUNG ATHLETES:** a sport and play program for children with and without intellectual disabilities (ID), ages 2 to 7 years old.

**HEALTHY COMMUNITIES:** a Special Olympics recognition program working to increase access to quality health care and effective prevention programming to improve the health of people with intellectual disabilities through activating public and private sector partners to adopt more inclusive practices, training and empowering athletes and caregivers to become vocal advocates.

**PROGRAM:** qualified entity licensed and accredited by Special Olympics International to operate Special Olympics programming within their respective geographic territory (country, jurisdiction or U.S. state).

**LOCAL CLUB / SUB-PROGRAM:** an organized local unit / branch conducting Special Olympics activities in a community outside of a school setting.

**MOTOR ACTIVITY TRAINING PROGRAM (MATP):** is designed for individuals with intellectual disabilities with severe limitations who do not yet possess the physical and/or behavioral skills necessary to participate in official Special Olympics sports.

[www.SpecialOlympics.org](http://www.SpecialOlympics.org)