2020 GLOBAL REACH REPORT (REFLECTS VIRTUAL AND IN-PERSON PROGRAMMING)

Any decline in numbers compared to 2019 data highlights the devastating impact of COVID-19 on our global Programs. 2020 data also showcases the resilience of the global movement. Special Olympics worked to redirect programming and develop solutions to adapt to a virtual environment.

**TOTAL PARTICIPANTS**
(ATHLETES & UNIFIED PARTNERS)

- **3,883,524**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -42%↓

**ATHLETES**
(PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (ID))

- **3,283,663**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -42%↓

**UNIFIED ATHLETES**
(PEOPLE WITH ID)

- **585,976**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** +35%↑

**YOUTH UNIFIED ATHLETES**
(PEOPLE WITH ID AGE 8-25)

- **339,479**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -11%↓

**UNIFIED PARTNERS**
(PEOPLE WITHOUT ID)

- **599,861**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -38%↓

**YOUTH UNIFIED PARTNERS**
(PEOPLE WITHOUT ID AGE 8-25)

- **264,771**
  - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -12%↓

**HEALTH**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, some health data are delayed.

- **HEALTHY ATHLETES SCREENINGS**
  - **15,150**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -90%↓

- **INCLUSIVE HEALTH PARTNERSHIPS**
  - **200**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -73%↓

- **ATHLETES PARTICIPATING IN FITNESS**
  - **428,619**

**LEADERSHIP**

- **ATHLETE LEADERS**
  - **51,138**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -13%↓

- **VOLUNTEERS**
  - **605,554**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -49%↓

- **YOUTH LEADERS (AGES 8-25)**
  - **74,065**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -26%↓

- **YOUTH (AGES 8-25)**
  - **213,244**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -50%↓

- **PROGRAMS WITH PAID LEADERSHIP**
  - **146**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** +4%↑

- **PAID STAFF WITH ID**
  - **179**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -20%↓

**EDUCATION**

- **UNIFIED SCHOOLS**
  - **46,756**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -57%↓

- **UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS**
  - **8,363**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -18%↓

- **YOUNG ATHLETES**
  - **221,158**
    - **2019-2020 CHANGE** -62%↓
GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

NATIONAL & STATE PROGRAMS
251 2019-2020 CHANGE +0%
COUNTRIES & JURISDICTIONS
201 2019-2020 CHANGE +1% ↑
LOCAL CLUBS / SUB-PROGRAMS
21,375 2019-2020 CHANGE -24% ↓

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.

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