

# 2025 REACH REPORT



GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

NATIONAL & STATE PROGRAMS  
**256**

COUNTRIES & JURISDICTIONS  
**208**

LOCAL CLUBS & PROGRAMS  
**29,005** +14% ↑  
2024-2025 CHANGE

UNIFIED LOCAL CLUBS & PROGRAMS  
**7,652** +16% ↑  
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## SPORTS



TOTAL PARTICIPANTS

ATHLETES & UNIFIED PARTNERS

**5,139,344**

2024-2025 CHANGE +10% ↑

ATHLETES **4,121,750** +8% ↑  
PEOPLE WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES (ID)

YOUNG ATHLETES **350,793** +20% ↑  
AGES 2 TO 7 YEARS

MATP **78,119** +21% ↑  
MOTOR ACTIVITY TRAINING PROGRAM

UNIFIED PARTNERS **1,017,594** +23% ↑

ATHLETE GENDER  
39.5% FEMALE 59.9% MALE 0.5% OTHER

COMPETITIONS **88,748**



2024-2025 CHANGE +48% ↑

UNIFIED **31,372**

2024-2025 CHANGE +13% ↑

COACHES **411,382**

2024-2025 CHANGE

+5% ↑

CERTIFIED **240,292**  
2024-2025 CHANGE +3% ↑

CERTIFIED COACH TO **1:17**  
ATHLETE RATIO

SPORTS PARTNERSHIPS

**1,376** +8% ↑  
2024-2025 CHANGE

## LEADERSHIP & COMMUNITY



ATHLETE LEADERSHIP IN A MEANINGFUL ROLE/JOB

**58,918**

2024-2025 CHANGE +15% ↑

PROGRAMS WITH PAID LEADERSHIP  
**147**



VOLUNTEERS

**963,899**

2024-2025 CHANGE +17% ↑

REGISTERED FAMILIES

**734,572**

2024-2025 CHANGE +11% ↑

NUMBER OF PAID STAFF WITH ID

**274**

2024-2025 CHANGE +11% ↑

## HEALTH



ATHLETES PARTICIPATING IN FITNESS

**463,456**

2024-2025 CHANGE +7% ↑

HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

**160**

2024-2025 CHANGE +4% ↑

HEALTHY ATHLETES SCREENINGS

**105,486**

2024-2025 CHANGE +55% ↑

HEALTH CARE WORKERS TRAINED

**165,985**

2024-2025 CHANGE +45% ↑

## EDUCATION & YOUTH



UNIFIED SCHOOLS

**28,206**

2024-2025 CHANGE +15% ↑

YOUTH LEADERS (8-25)

**104,704**

2024-2025 CHANGE +15% ↑

UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS

**16,946**

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POTENTIAL STUDENT REACH\*

**7,786,940**

SPECIAL OLYMPICS

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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.

**POTENTIAL STUDENT REACH** represents an estimated upper-bound number of students who are exposed to Unified Champion Schools (UCS) programming within participating schools. Because UCS is designed as a whole-school model that promotes inclusive culture, awareness, and engagement across the entire school community, this metric assumes that all students enrolled in a participating school may be indirectly impacted by the program.

For global reporting purposes, this metric is calculated by multiplying the average school size for a given country, based on Ministry of Education data or publicly available sources, by the number of participating UCS schools. This approach provides a standardized estimate of the potential maximum number of students reached through school-wide activities, messaging, and inclusive school culture.

SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS  
**3,678,915**  
2024-2025 CHANGE +6% ↑

