

2003-04 HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS PARTICIPATION SURVEY

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THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS

Based on Competition at the High School Level in the 2003-04 School Year

Sport (Number of states reporting for boys/girls)	BOYS		GIRLS		COMBINED Number of Participants
	Number of Schools	Number of Participants	Number of Schools	Number of Participants	
ADAPTED SPORTS					
Basketball	19	157	15	74	231
Bowling	27	195	27	189	384
Floor Hockey	60	351	60	165	516
Soccer	54	316	54	179	495
Softball	57	303	57	221	524
Track	14	128	14	81	209
BADMINTON	218	4,110	389	9,591	13,701
BASEBALL	14,984	457,146	163	1,924	459,070
BASKETBALL	17,389	544,811	17,061	457,986	1,002,797
BOWLING	1,477	17,654	1,467	16,194	33,848
CANOEING	63	1,049	60	1,223	2,272
COED VOLLEYBALL	45	275	45	303	578
COMPETITIVE SPIRIT SQUAD	545	2,251	3,693	89,443	91,694
CREW	78	2,037	81	2,049	4,086
CROSS COUNTRY	12,649	196,428	12,235	166,287	362,715
DANCE TEAM — HK/PRECISION			126	3,377	3,377
DANCE TEAM — JAZZ/FUNK			139	3,552	3,552
DECATHLON	27	125	5	25	150
EQUESTRIAN	26	63	80	591	654
FENCING	75	1,562	73	1,446	3,008
FIELD HOCKEY	7	215	1,634	61,984	62,199
FLAG FOOTBALL			108	3,375	3,375
FOOTBALL (11-Player)	13,680	1,032,682	242	1,527	1,034,209
(6-player)	147	4,088	1	29	4,117
(8-player)	687	14,745	6	57	14,802
(9-player)	265	6,145	2	2	6,147
GOLF	12,921	163,341	8,171	63,173	226,514
GYMNASTICS	130	2,189	1,475	19,939	22,128
HEPTATHLON			25	87	87
ICE HOCKEY	1,467	36,184	404	6,931	43,115
JUDO	44	456	40	268	724
KAYAKING	7	105	6	107	212
LACROSSE	1,156	53,436	1,176	43,099	96,535
RIFLERY	230	2,191	196	1,109	3,300
RODEO	10	34	10	39	73
SAILING	4	20	5	17	37
SKIING — ALPINE	456	5,921	437	4,263	10,184
SKIING — CROSS COUNTRY	405	4,619	401	4,999	9,618
SNOWBOARDING	13	120	11	63	183
SOCCER	10,219	349,785	9,490	309,032	658,817
SOFT TENNIS	22	103	23	149	252
SOFTBALL — FAST PITCH	75	1,462	14,181	362,468	363,930
SOFTBALL — SLOW PITCH	7	137	699	13,431	13,568
SWIMMING & DIVING	5,758	96,562	6,176	144,565	241,127
TEAM TENNIS	802	12,903	808	13,571	26,474
TENNIS	9,427	152,938	9,559	167,758	320,696
TRACK AND FIELD — INDOOR	2,185	51,926	2,096	46,641	98,567
TRACK AND FIELD — OUTDOOR	15,221	504,801	15,089	418,322	923,123
VOLLEYBALL	1,683	40,093	14,181	396,322	436,415
WATER POLO	635	15,649	629	16,362	32,011
WEIGHT LIFTING	521	16,639	214	5,976	22,615
WRESTLING	9,526	238,700	808	4,008	242,708
OTHER SPORTS	59	1,103	58	726	1,829

NATIONAL FEDERATION OF STATE HIGH SCHOOL ASSOCIATIONS 2003-04 ATHLETICS PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

TEN MOST POPULAR BOYS PROGRAMS

Schools		Participants	
1. Basketball	17,389	1. Football (11-player)	1,032,682
2. Track and Field (Outdoor)	15,221	2. Basketball	544,811
3. Baseball	14,984	3. Track & Field (Outdoor)	504,801
4. Football (11-player)	13,680	4. Baseball	457,146
5. Golf	12,921	5. Soccer	349,785
6. Cross Country	12,649	6. Wrestling	238,700
7. Soccer	10,219	7. Cross Country	196,428
8. Wrestling	9,526	8. Golf	163,341
9. Tennis	9,427	9. Tennis	152,938
10. Swimming & Diving	5,758	10. Swimming & Diving	96,562

TEN MOST POPULAR GIRLS PROGRAMS

Schools		Participants	
1. Basketball	17,061	1. Basketball	457,986
2. Track and Field (Outdoor)	15,089	2. Track and Field (Outdoor)	418,322
3. Volleyball	14,181	3. Volleyball	396,322
3. Softball (Fast Pitch)	14,181	4. Softball (Fast Pitch)	362,468
5. Cross Country	12,235	5. Soccer	309,032
6. Tennis	9,559	6. Tennis	167,758
7. Soccer	9,490	7. Cross Country	166,287
8. Golf	8,171	8. Swimming & Diving	144,565
9. Swimming & Diving	6,176	9. Competitive Spirit Squads	89,443
10. Competitive Spirit Squads	3,693	10. Golf	63,173

ATHLETICS PARTICIPATION SURVEY TOTALS

Year	Boys Participants	Girls Participants	Total	Year	Boys Participants	Girls Participants	Total
1971-72	3,666,917	294,015	3,960,932	1989-90	3,398,192	1,858,659	5,256,851
1972-73	3,770,621	817,073	4,587,694	1990-91	3,406,355	1,892,316	5,298,671
1973-74	4,070,125	1,300,169	5,370,294	1991-92	3,429,853	1,940,801	5,370,654
1975-76	4,109,021	1,645,039	5,754,060	1992-93	3,416,389	1,997,489	5,413,878
1977-78	4,367,442	2,083,040	6,450,482	1993-94	3,472,967	2,130,315	5,603,282
1978-79	3,709,512	1,854,400	5,563,912	1994-95	3,536,359	2,240,461	5,776,820
1979-80	3,517,829	1,750,264	5,268,093	1995-96	3,634,052	2,367,936	6,001,988
1980-81	3,503,124	1,853,789	5,356,913	1996-97	3,706,225	2,474,043	6,180,268
1981-82	3,409,081	1,810,671	5,219,752	1997-98	3,763,120	2,570,333	6,333,453
1982-83	3,355,558	1,779,972	5,135,530	1998-99	3,832,352	2,652,726	6,485,078
1983-84	3,303,599	1,747,346	5,050,945	1999-00	3,861,749	2,675,874	6,537,623
1984-85	3,354,284	1,757,884	5,112,168	2000-01	3,921,069	2,784,154	6,705,223
1985-86	3,344,275	1,807,121	5,151,396	2001-02	3,960,517	2,806,998	6,767,515
1986-87	3,364,082	1,836,356	5,200,438	2002-03	3,988,738	2,856,358	6,845,096
1987-88	3,425,777	1,849,684	5,275,461	2003-04	4,038,253	2,865,299	6,903,552
1988-89	3,416,844	1,839,352	5,256,196				