

**2006 EHF
Youth Handball
Convention**

Handball Demographic Study

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Aim of the Convention

- To bring young people together in order to voice their opinion and to assist them in modelling the handball future !

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Aim of the Study

Evaluation of the cooperation between the EHF and the National Federations (NFs) since 1991 (15 years)

- Areas
 - Mini-Handball
 - School Handball
 - Youth Handball
 - Beach Handball
- Question if the EHF philosophies / projects have been realised in the NFs
- Look for input / proposals / alternatives for the future cooperation



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Cooperation Channels

- **Working Groups for Handball at School, Education, Beach Handball, RINCK Convention, etc. (together with experts from various NFs)**
- **Print / Internet publications**
- **Events/Courses/Seminars/Conventions**



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Demographic Study - Overview

Overall statistics (containing senior and junior handball players):

Players Men: 1.200.000

Players Women: 800.000

Total: 2.000.000

Teams Men: 67.000

Teams Women: 50.000

Total: 117.000

(missing figures completed by data from IHF)

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Selected aspects

- Mini-Handball
- School Handball
- Youth Handball
- Beach Handball



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Basic Data from 30 (out of 50) EHF Member Federations

Players involved in Mini-Handball: 195.000	Players involved in Youth Handball: 920.000
Players involved in School Handball: 380.000	Players involved in Beach Handball: 40.000

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Mini-Handball: The basis of which is essentially a ball game for children app. 6 – 10; involving fun, enjoyment and positive experiences.

- Do you have Mini-Handball activities in your country?
Yes: 26 (87%) No: 4
- Is your federation familiar with EHF/IHF philosophy of Mini-Handball?
Yes: 90%
- Do you have MH festivals in your country? (figures per year)
Regional: 136 National: 15 International: 2
- How many players? 195.000
Front runners: FRA - 120.000
 DEN - 17.500



Question:

How to increase the number of Mini-Handball festivals?

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Handball at School: Main resources in Handball – the schools.

- 90% of involved NFs have connections to schools
In 90% of the schools handball is part of the curriculum
- Around 35.000 school teams
Front runners: FRA – 18.000
 GER – 7.660

Only app. 25% of the schools are really teaching/practising handball !!!
These figures lead to the conclusion that mainly schools with tradition in handball or handball focused schools (based on personal initiatives) are doing an excellent job and have good contacts to their NFs

Question:

How to increase the number of schools really teaching/practising Handball?



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Youth Handball: Focused on offering adequate games combined with fun, life time sport activities and education concerning fair play, ethics and morals in sport and social life.

- Total number of players: 920.000
Front runners: FRA - 274.000, GER - 344.000
Total number of teams: 70.000
- All NFs organise competitions for the youth teams
- The internal structure is mostly well developed (90%)
- 80% have coaches for each category

These figures could lead to the statement that youth handball is on the right way

Question:

How to increase the popularity of our sport in the younger age categories?



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Beach Handball: Simple structure, few restrictions and little administration, easy rules. Sun, fun, lifestyle and handball.

Beach Handball activities: Yes: 23 (77%), No: 7

- Total number of players: 40.000
- More than 500 players in detail: 7 (AUT, CZE, GER, HUN, NED, NOR, SWE)

Front runners: GER – 15.000, SWE – 12.000

90% of the NFs agree with EHF Beach Handball activities EBT, EChs

These figures show that Beach Handball has a wide base in Europe

Question:

How to increase the popularity of Beach Handball?



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OLYMPIC TEAM S.G.	PI	Re	Field	Time	Rules	WF	NF	EF	OG M / F	WCh M / F	C.	Ech M / F	C.
Basketball	5	5 (7)	28x 15	4x10	1891	1932	212	1989	1936/1976	50/53	4	35/38	2
Handball	7	7	40x 20	2x30	1906	1946	157	1991	1972/1976	38/57	2	94/94	2
Soccer	11	3 (7)	110x 75	4x45	1848	1904	204	1954	1908/1996	30/91	4	68/84	4/2
Volleyball	6	6	18x 9	±60-90	1895	1947	218	1964	1964/1964	49/52	4	48/49	2
Water Polo	7	6	30x 20	4x7	1870	1908	179	1926	1900/2000	73/86	4	27/99	2
Hockey	11	5	91,4x 55	2x35	1875	1924	118	1970	1908/1980	71/71	4	70/84	2
Ice Hockey	6	16	61x 30	3x20	1878	1908	63	-	1920/1998	30/90	1	-	-

Another

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Feldhandball	(11 - 110x 75 - 2x30)
Hazena	(7 - 45x 30 - 2x30)
Futsal	(5 - 42x 22 - 2x20)
Beach Soccer	(5 - 37x 28 - 3x12)
Rugby	(15 - 100x 70 - 2x40)
Rugby Sevens	(7 - 100x 70 - 2x,7,5)
Amer. Football	(11 - 110x 49 - 4x15)
Austr. Football	(18 - 185x 110- 4x20)
Underw. Rugby	(6 - 18x 12- 2x15)

Tchoukball	(9, 4x 20, 3x15)
Netball	(7, 30,5x 15, 4x15)
Korfball	(8, 40x 20, 2x30)
Ultimate	(7, 100x 37, points)
Guts	(5, 15x 14, points)



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Roller Hockey	(5, 40x 20, 2x20)
Inline Hockey	(5, 61x 30, 4x12)
Indoor Hockey	(6, 44x 22, 2x20)
Innebandy	(6, 40x 20, 3x20)
Bandy	(11, 110x 65, 2x45)
Rinck Bandy	(6, 61x30, 2x30)
Ringette	(6, 61x 30, 3x20)
Underw.Hockey	(6, 25x 12, 2x15)

Lacrosse – men	(10, 101x 55, 4x20)
Lacross – women	(12, 110x 60, 2x30)
Interkross	(5, 40x 20, 4x12)
Boxlakross	(6, 61x 30, 4x15)
Kanoepolo	(5, 35x 23, 2x10)
Motoball	(5, 110x85, 4x20)

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Faustball	(5, 40x 20, points)
Indiaca	(5, 16x 6, points)
Baseball	(9, →, outs)
Softball	(9, →, outs)
Softb.Slowpitch	(10, →, outs)
Cricket	(11, 150x 90, outs)

Disabled:

Wheelchair Basketball	(5, 28x 15, 4x10)
Football 5-a-side	(5, 42x 22, 2x 25)
Football 7-a-side	(7, 75x 55, 2x30)
Sitting Volleyball	(6, 10x 6, points)
Sledge Hockey	(6, 61x 30, 3x15)

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TENDENCIES

- **Professionalism**
- **Show-Business**
- **Individualization**
- **Smaller Forms**

Traditional forms

Smaller Forms

(without Miniforms)

Basketball



Street-Basketball

Handball



Beach-Handball

Soccer



Futsal



Street-Soccer



Beach-Soccer

Volleyball



Beach-Volleyball

Hockey



Indoor-Hockey

Lacrosse



Intercrosse



Box-Lacrosse



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Summary

- Relating topics should be discussed in the convention workshops**
- Inputs / contributions by the experts from the NFs are requested**

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