

Sport Ireland

Sport Investment



National Governing Bodies



OVER

100,000

REGISTERED MEMBERS ACROSS APPROX. 1,000 CLUBS



Athletics Ireland

Members – 59,000 Clubs – 358



Cycling Ireland

Members - 25,000 Clubs - 465



Swim Ireland

Members – 18,000 Clubs – 168



Triathlon

Membership of the NGB has grown by 11,500 in the last decade



Gymnastics

Membership of the NGB has grown by 27,000 in the last decade



Basketball

Over 75,000 schoolchildren participating in Basketball Ireland supported initiatives



Outdoor Sports

Over 63,000 registered members participating in hillwalking, climbing, orienteering and outdoor water sports



Disability

€1.8M core funding invested in disability focused governing bodies



Martial Arts

Over 24,000 martial artists supported by recognised National Governing Bodies of Sport

National Governing Bodies

The National Governing Bodies of Sport (NGBs) recognised by Sport Ireland are at the centre of Irish sport. As such, Sport Ireland is committed to developing strong and diverse NGBs that deliver for the sporting community in Ireland.

A key focus of Sport Ireland is to assist NGBs to develop sustainable and effective structures to increase the number of participants and volunteers in sport. Sport Ireland invests in NGBs in line with its strategic priorities and investment is made with the specific aim of ensuring the long-term sustainability of NGBs.

Since the publication of the National Sports Policy 2018 – 2027, core funding to NGBs has grown from \leq 10.8m in 2017 to \leq 13.8m in 2020.

This increased investment provides an opportunity for Sport Ireland to further strengthen the NGB sector to deliver on both Sport Ireland's strategic objectives and those identified in the governments sports policy.

To date, for 2020, €13.3m has been allocated to 58 National Governing Bodies of Sport. This investment covers the implementation of strategic plans and participation programmes, coach development, the hosting of events, the employment of professional staff and the administration costs of developing and delivering the sport.

Given the uplift on 2019 levels, Sport Ireland is in a position to provide the majority of performing governing bodies with an increase. These increases reflect the national significance of each sport, the quality of programmes & operations, past, present & potential levels of participation along with the opportunities available to increase volunteerism and social capital.

The National Sports Policy 2018 – 2027 also recognises that certain sporting activities are likely to have a greater impact on addressing the wider government agenda of life long sports involvement and health. The policy identifies swimming, cycling and running as three sports that merit particular attention and support.

Increased funding has also allowed Sport Ireland to provide additional investment to support and recognise the excellent work that has been done in expanding the participation base in a number of sports such as triathlon, gymnastics, rowing, cricket and tennis.

Sport Ireland wishes to see a diverse range of sports available to the Irish public and continues to invest in a wide variety of NGBs. Increased levels of overall funding provides Sport Ireland with an opportunity to strengthen and enhance the volunteer led bodies. Sport Ireland is committed to assisting NGBs make the transition from volunteer led organisations to ones with professional staff. Over the last number of years Sport Ireland has identified a number of volunteer led sports that show the potential to make that transition.

Sport Ireland will work closely with these sports over the coming years to further develop them. As overall funding increases into the future it is proposed to continue to identify and assist additional volunteer led sports to significantly expand.

In addition to the core grant funding Sport Ireland has also ring-fenced €501,000 to support development projects and events of certain identified NGBs.

National Sports Policy 2018-2027 Core Funding Lifecycle

National Governing Body	2018 Allocation	2019 Allocation	2020 Allocation
Special Olympics Ireland	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,400,000
Athletics Ireland	887,000	950,000	1,000,000
Swim Ireland	827,000	910,000	950,000
Horse Sport Ireland	775,000	855,000	930,000
Basketball Ireland	598,000	695,000	740,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	432,000	475,000	500,000
Ladies Gaelic Football Association	400,000	450,000	485,000
Cricket Ireland	355,000	450,000	480,000
Tennis Ireland	353,000	425,000	450,000
The Camogie Association	395,000	395,000	435,000
Irish Sailing Association	323,000	385,000	410,000
Badminton Ireland	320,000	365,000	390,000
Cycling Ireland	305,000	350,000	420,000
Hockey Ireland	260,000	325,000	340,000
Gymnastics Ireland	230,000	320,000	340,000
National Community Games	284,000	315,000	315,000
Rowing Ireland	210,000	300,000	320,000
Confederation of Golf in Ireland	233,000	300,000	320,000
Irish Wheelchair Association Sport	240,000	275,000	285,000
Canoeing Ireland	205,000	250,000	275,000
Mountaineering Ireland	193,000	225,000	235,000
Triathlon Ireland	108,000	180,000	225,000
Volleyball Association of Ireland	185,000	200,000	210,000
Irish Squash	160,000	180,000	200,000
Motor Sport Ireland	137,000	160,000	180,000
Table Tennis Ireland	107,000	107,000	115,000
GAA Handball Ireland	90,000	100,000	105,000
Irish Judo Association	70,000	85,000	100,000
Irish Surfing Association	64,000	75,000	80,000
Pitch and Putt Ireland	63,000	75,000	80,000
ROI Billiards & Snooker Association	63,000	70,000	75,000
Irish Underwater Council	60,000	70,000	75,000
Deaf Sports Ireland	61,000	65,000	65,000
Irish Orienteering Association	45,000	65,000	65,000
Irish Martial Arts Commission	45,000	60,000	60,000
Fencing Ireland	27,000	55,000	55,000

National Governing Body	2018 Allocation	2019 Allocation	2020 Allocation
Motor Cycling Ireland	48,000	48,000	48,000
Irish Clay Target Shooting Association	36,000	45,000	48,000
Vision Sports Ireland	35,000	45,000	48,000
Irish Olympic Handball Association	35,000	45,000	48,000
Irish Tug of War Association	22,000	40,000	40,000
Irish Tenpin Bowling Association	27,000	35,000	37,000
Bowling League of Ireland	24,000	30,000	32,000
Irish American Football Association	23,000	30,000	32,000
Weightlifting Ireland	-	30,000	32,000
Bol Chumann na hÉireann	20,000	30,000	32,000
Irish Waterski & Wakeboard Federation	20,000	25,000	27,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	9,000	25,000	25,000
Baton Twirling Sport Association of Ireland	16,000	20,000	25,000
Racquetball Association of Ireland	15,000	20,000	25,000
Irish Amateur Wrestling Association	15,000	20,000	25,000
Rugby League Ireland	11,000	15,000	20,000
Speleological Union of Ireland	10,000	15,000	20,000
Angling Council of Ireland	10,000	15,000	20,000
Croquet Association of Ireland	5,000	10,000	10,000
Irish Ice Hockey Association	-	10,000	10,000
ONAKAI	6,000	-	10,000
Pentathlon Ireland*	-	20,000	20,000
Special Projects & Programmes **	126,000	305,000	501,000
Special Olympics World Games	-	180,000	-
Archery Ireland	12,000	15,000	-
Horseshoe Pitchers Association of Ireland	5,000	10,000	-
National Aero Club of Ireland	5,000	-	-
Ice Skating Association of Ireland	-	-	-
Trout Anglers Association of Ireland	-	-	-
National Course Fishing Federation	-	-	-
Total	€10,845,000	€12,845,000	€13,845,000

Organisation	2018 Allocation	2019 Allocation	2020 Allocation
Federation of Irish Sport	100,000	100,000	115,000
Student Sport Ireland	50,000	60,000	60,000

 $^{{\}rm *Pentathlon\: Ireland\: funding\: rebalanced\: from\: Horse\: Sport\: Ireland\: core\: funding\: \&\: paid\: direct\: for\: 2019\: \&\: 2020\: }$

 $^{{}^{\}star\star}\,2020 \text{ funding has been set aside to support development projects and events of certain identified NGBs}$

Sport Ireland

High Performance





80 medals achieved at recognized World or European competitions across youth, junior and senior levels in 2019 including 9 Paralympic World Championship Medals



Female Medals



Male Medals



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Mixed Team Medals

SPORT IRELAND INSTITUTE

5,246

Total number of service bookings

28

Total number of sports

13,963

Total number of visits to the Institute

1,482

Total number of unique users (e.g. athletes, coaches)





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medals at World Championships in Olympic/Paralympic disciplines



- Rowing x 3
- Gymnastics x 1
- Para Cycling x 2
- Para Swimming x 2
- Para Athletics x 2
- Para Shooting x 1

High Performance

Sport Ireland invests in high performance sport through High Performance Programme funding, the International Carding Scheme, the services of the Sport Ireland Institute, and the facilities of the Sport Ireland Campus. Sport Ireland also provides high performance funding to the Olympic Federation of Ireland and Paralympics Ireland to support work associated with preparing Irish teams for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Funding

High Performance Programme funding is provided to National Governing Bodies to support the delivery of their performance programmes. Throughout the Tokyo cycle over €30m has been provided to National Governing Bodies in High Performance Programme funding.

For the top ten NGBs in receipt of 80% of this investment, High Performance Programme funding supports the employment of performance staff, attendance at training camps and competitions, and assists the NGB in developing its performance pathway. These programmes are central to supporting Irish athletes and teams in reaching finals and achieving medals at European & World Championships, Olympic & Paralympic Games.

The commitments to high performance sport identified in the National Sports Policy 2018-2027 continue to be honoured with steady increases in funding throughout the Tokyo cycle. The increases received have provided an important boost to the system at critical points in this cycle.

In 2019 High Performance Programme funding increased by €1.5m. Sport Ireland provided a commitment to NGBs that the funding provided in 2019 would stand for the funding round in 2020. This multi-annual funding committment was provided on the basis that the same level of funding was available to Sport Ireland and that no significant issues arise within the NGB's Tokyo 2020 performance plan. NGBs will prioritise High Performance Programme funding towards preparing for Tokyo 2020, whilst ensuring that plans for Paris 2024 continue to develop.

Tokyo 2020

The Olympic Federation of Ireland and Paralympics Ireland are responsible for leading Team Ireland to Tokyo 2020. Sport Ireland continues its partnership with both organisations to support preparations for these Games. A funding package for Tokyo 2020 has been allocated to the Olympic Federation of Ireland and Paralympics Ireland throughout the cycle. This process has required advanced planning by both organisations to establish Tokyo 2020 costs prior to athletes and teams securing qualification.

To date, forty-five athletes have secured qualification for the 2020 Olympic Games. Sport Ireland has provided Tokyo 2020 funding to many of these qualified sports to support Games specific projects.

Not all costs relating to Tokyo 2020 will be covered directly by the Olympic Federation of Ireland or Paralympics Ireland. As such, as the qualification process progresses in 2020, Sport Ireland will engage with NGBs to monitor their Tokyo 2020 costs, should they arise. These costs will be dependent on the number of qualifiers and other fixed costs.

2019 Performances

In 2019, eighty medals were achieved by sports in receipt of High Performance Programme funding.

These medals were secured in twelve Olympic sports and five Paralympic sports, reflecting the continued development within Ireland's performance system. Four medals were secured at World Championships in Olympic disciplines and seven medals at World Championships in Paralympic disciplines.

Strategic Focus

In 2020, Ireland's high performance system will embark on a 10-year strategy. The Sport Ireland High Performance Strategy 2020-2029 sets ambitious targets for Ireland in Paris 2024 and L.A 2028. Most significantly, the strategy focuses on the advancement and improvement in a wide range of areas, which will contribute to a sustainable and positive performance system for all.

High Performance Programme Funding					
Funded Body	2017	2018	2019	2020	Tokyo Cycle Funding
Athletics Ireland	835,000	790,000	840,000	840,000	€3,305,000
Irish Sailing Association	735,000	735,000	800,000	800,000	€3,070,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	700,000	700,000	770,000	770,000	€2,940,000
Hockey Ireland	530,000	520,000	730,000	730,000	€2,510,000
Paralympics Ireland	665,000	665,000	700,000	700,000	€2,730,000
Horse Sport Ireland	530,000	530,000	690,000	690,000	€2,440,000
Swim Ireland	560,000	560,000	630,000	630,000	€2,380,000
Rowing Ireland	525,000	525,000	620,000	620,000	€2,290,000
Confederation of Golf	400,000	410,000	450,000	450,000	€1,710,000
Cycling Ireland	325,000	390,000	440,000	440,000	€1,595,000
Irish Rugby Football Union	220,000	220,000	300,000	300,000	€1,040,000
Pentathlon Ireland	260,000	240,000	290,000	290,000	€1,080,000
Triathlon Ireland	220,000	220,000	250,000	250,000	€940,000
Gymnastics Ireland	100,000	120,000	200,000	230,000	€650,000
Tennis Ireland	170,000	175,000	200,000	200,000	€745,000
Cricket Ireland	160,000	160,000	200,000	200,000	€720,000
Badminton Ireland	130,000	130,000	160,000	160,000	€580,000
Irish Judo Association	45,000	45,000	60,000	70,000	€220,000
Canoeing Ireland	40,000	40,000	50,000	50,000	€180,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	40,000	40,000	50,000	50,000	€180,000
Irish Clay Target Shooting	25,000	25,000	30,000	30,000	€110,000
Total	€7,215,000	€7,240,000	€8,470,000	€8,500,000	€31,415,000

High Performance Operations & Administration Funding					
Funded Body	2017	2018	2019	2020	Tokyo Cycle Funding
Olympic Federation of Ireland	300,000	300,000	420,000	420,000	€1,440,000
Paralympics Ireland	375,000	397,500	400,000	400,000	€1,572,500
Total	€675,000	€697,500	€820,000	€820,000	€3,012,500

Direct Athlete/Player Support					
Support Scheme	2017	2018	2019	2020	Tokyo Cycle Funding
International Carding Scheme	1,767,000	1,900,000	1,909,000	2,431,000	€8,007,000
Team Ireland Golf	200,000	202,500	220,000	220,000	€842,500
Total	€1,967,000	€2,102,500	€2,129,000	€2,651,000	€8,849,500

High Performance Special Project Funding Tokyo 2020				
Funded Body	2018	2019	2020	Games Support Package
Olympic Federation of Ireland	175,000	250,000	200,000	€625,000
Paralympics Ireland	123,000	250,000	200,000	€573,000
Hockey Ireland	500,000	-	200,000	€700,000
Horse Sport Ireland	175,000	70,000	175,000	€420,000
Rowing Ireland	40,000	70,000	150,000	€260,000
Swim Ireland	75,000	40,000	-	€115,000
Gymnastics Ireland	75,000	30,000	-	€105,000
Irish Sailing Association	55,000	-	50,000	€105,000
Cycling Ireland	40,000	50,000	-	€90,000
Irish Athletic Boxing Association	50,000	15,000	-	€65,000
Athletics Ireland	50,000	-	-	€50,000
Irish Rugby Football Union	50,000	-	-	€50,000
Triathlon Ireland	30,000	15,000	-	€45,000
Irish Judo Association	25,000	20,000	-	€45,000
Cricket Ireland	40,000	-	-	€40,000
Confederation of Golf	40,000	-	-	€40,000
Pentathlon Ireland	30,000	-	-	€30,000
Badminton Ireland	25,000	-	-	€25,000
Irish Taekwondo Union	20,000	-	-	€20,000
Canoeing Ireland	-	20,000	-	€20,000
Tennis Ireland	15,000	-	-	€15,000
Total	€1,633,000	€830,000	€975,000	€3,438,000

Sport Ireland

Local Sports Partnership



2019 LSP Highlights

110,196

people participated in European Week of Sports events in 2019



24,500

people took part in 2019 Operation Transformation Nationwide Walks and the 5km Fun Run Local participation opportunities provided across

60+

sports



55% of LSP coordinators are women



37% of LSP board members are women



29 Local Sports Partnerships

2020 Investment

€871,010

Increase of 53% in Programme Funding to LSPs in 2020

€867,726

Invested in Community
Sports Development
Officers (CSDOs)

€550,000

Invested in additional Development Officers

€265,000

will be invested in the Women in Sport programme in 2020

€916,000

Invested in a network of Sports Inclusion Disability Officers (SIDOs)

Sport Ireland Local Sports Partnerships

Sport Ireland wil invest €8,270,909 in the network of 29 Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) in 2020, an increase of 13% on 2019.

The Sport Ireland 2020 investment for LSPs is determined at a <u>national level</u> to increase the capacity and capability of every LSP in Ireland to deliver participation opportunities in local communities. The 2020 investment is informed by the goals of the Sport Ireland Strategy and the actions of the National Sports Policy and the National Physical Activity Plan.

The increased investment will provide an opportunity for Sport Ireland to consolidate the additional LSP resources employed in 2019. This will strengthen the LSPs potential to deliver on both Sport Ireland's strategic objectives and those identified in the Government's National Sports Policy.

The design, delivery and evaluation of targeted initiatives by LSPs directly increases the level of sports participation locally, particularly amongst the harder to reach social groups such as people with a disability, people from areas of socio economic disadvantage, ethnic minorities, older adults and women. Through their expertise and local connections with the sports communities, LSPs are able to identify specific needs and deliver effective initiatives accordingly.

Evaluation

Sport Ireland introduced a 'Pragmatic Evaluation for Physical Activity' training course for all LSPs in early September 2019. The training aimed to build capacity of Local Sports Partnerships to evaluate the programmes/initiatives delivered or funded by them. Delivered by international experts in the area, the course provided LSPs with the tools and knowledge required to carry out and understand evaluation locally. This local evaluation will complement the approach taken by Sport Ireland at a national level. In 2020 Sport Ireland will continue to develop the capacity of LSPs to carry out local evaluations, and NGBs to carry out their own NGB-specific evaluations.

The qualitative and quantitative data collected through Sport Ireland evaluation will continue to form the basis for strategic investment and funding, as well as programme development and design.

Age & Opportunity - Go For Life programme

Sport Ireland has supported Age & Opportunity's Go for Life sport and physical activity programme since 2001 as part of its commitment to increasing participation in recreational sport among older people. Go for Life aims to get older people more active and its objectives are closely aligned to the National Sports Policy as well as the National Physical Activity Plan and the National Positive Ageing Strategy. The Go for Life programme works closely with the network of Local Sports Partnerships to create a range of opportunities to help older people get more physically active.

Cara

Sport Ireland support Cara- Sport Inclusion Ireland to assist with the promotion and delivery of Sport Ireland's Policy on Participation by People with a Disability, which is delivered through the National Governing Bodies of Sport, the Local Sports Partnerships network and the Sports Inclusion Disability Officers (SIDOs). The policy aims to create opportunities for people with a disability to participate in sport and physical activity across Ireland. Cara facilitates participation for people with a disability by promoting the Sport Inclusion Disability Charter and by coordinating the delivery of training and education workshops on the inclusion of people with disabilities in Sport and Physical Activity.



Sports Inclusion Disability Officer

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€916,000 investment in Sports Inclusion Disability Officers (SIDO) positions across the 29 LSPs.

Delivering on Action 12 of the National Sports Policy.

SIDOs support and develop opportunities for people with a disability to participate in sport and physical activity.

Community Sports Development Officer

€867,726 investment in Community Sports
Development Officers (CSDO) positions across
the 29 LSPs.

CSDOs are responsible for developing exciting and dynamic opportunities to increase sports participation for people who are sedentary and also build capacity for smaller National Governing Bodies (NGBs).

The CSDOs also develop sustainable local leadership for sport within communities.

Programme Funding

Programme funding is at the core of the LSPs engagement with participants and allows for the delivery of a range of community, club and school based initiatives, programmes and events.

Programme Funding provides SIDOs and CSDOs with the support and resources required to deliver innovative programmes and initiatives at a local level.

In 2020 Sport Ireland will provide €871,010 in Programme Funding to the LSP Network, an increase of 53% from the 2019 investment.

Women in Sport

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€265,000 investment in Women in Sport programmes.

Aim to increase participation opportunities for women and girls of all ages in sport and physical activity.

Will also be used to provide coaching courses and increasing visibility of female role models in their local area.

Notably in 2019, 55% of LSP coordinators were women, 37% of LSP board members were women and 52% of the 390,571 people who took part in LSP programmes in 2018 were women

Building Awareness

€230,500 investment across 29 LSPs for the promotion of sports participation opportunities across their targeted communities

This will help to build awareness of sports participation opportunities and the work of ISPs

Additional LSP Development Officers

Investment of €550,000 for the employment of additional Development Officers in 2020.

These Development Officers will continue to build capacity across the LSP network, and to effectively support the delivery of the National Sports Policy actions in every county.

This funding will be invested through a bespoke competitive application process open to all LSPs in 2020.

Local Sports Plans

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In 2020 Sport Ireland will support Local Authorities in the development of Local Sports Plans and highlight the essential role of LSPs and NGBs in achieving the objectives of these Plans.

Sport Ireland has ring fenced funding to assist LSPs and Local Authorities in the development of Local Sports Plans.

LSP Funding 2020

Local Sports Partnership	2020 Core (Staff & Operational Costs)	2020 Programme Funding	2020 Women in Sport Funding
Carlow	190,949	21,150	8,400
Cavan	198,723	14,900	5,000
Clare	251,664	19,890	11,000
Cork	343,387	56,250	8,400
Donegal	271,678	30,550	5,000
Dublin City	269,809	71,750	14,500
Dun Laoghaire Rathdown	193,863	35,050	8,000
Fingal	216,824	52,650	10,000
Galway	248,151	21,450	10,000
Kerry	224,923	24,400	-
Kildare	210,468	43,650	10,000
Kilkenny	232,399	31,070	10,000
Laois	250,056	17,015	11,000
Leitrim	138,862	17,250	8,000
Limerick	346,468	22,310	10,000
Longford	194,368	13,550	8,400
Louth	178,853	21,850	12,000
Mayo	227,494	38,950	12,000
Meath	229,175	25,355	14,500
Monaghan	164,217	13,850	-
Offaly	190,325	32,750	10,000
Roscommon	193,720	11,970	8,400
Sligo	261,148	23,110	15,000
South Dublin	213,500	58,170	8,500
Tipperary	235,198	23,790	15,000
Waterford	308,592	17,930	-
Westmeath	195,728	35,700	8,400
Wexford	190,354	36,350	8,500
Wicklow	174,003	38,350	15,000
LSP Development Officer Fund	550,000	-	-
Local Sports Plans	40,000	-	-
Total	€7,134,899	€871,010	€265,000

Programme	2020 Funding
Go for Life	607,605
Cara	130,000



State of the Art Facilities

23
National
Governing
Bodies

Home to

Sport Ireland National Indoor Arena

6-lane 200m track, capacity 4000, gymnastics training centre, basketball training centre

Indoor-covered C

Full size soccer/ GAA pitch, half size rugby pitch

pitches

Sport Ireland National Aquatic Centre

10-lane 50m pool, 25m diving pool

Cross-Country Track

Permanent crosscountry track for training and competition

Sport Ireland Institute

Helping athletes reach world podiums through excellence in sports science and medicine

Hockey

New water-based training pitch with a polytan polygrass Tokyo GT surface

Cricket Ireland

High-performance Training Centre

National Modern
Pentathlon
Training Centre

Multi-Sport
Pitch Facility

National
Diving Training
Centre

National Horse Sport Arena

Conference Centre GAA National Games Development Centre FAI National Training Centre IRFU High Performance Facility

New Facilities

Development and planning work underway for Ireland's first velodrome & badminton centre, sports hotel and athlete accommodation

In Development

Early stage development of a new masterplan for the Sport Ireland Campus including restaurants, offices and athlete recreational facilities

