PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS

- 6,496 SCHOOLS
- 2,103 DISTRICTS
- 48 STATES + DC

221 BANNER SCHOOLS
221 schools across the country reached national banner status through the SOUCS National School Recognition Program. These schools demonstrated commitment to inclusion by meeting the 10 national standards of excellence.

76% CONSIDERED SUSTAINABLE
+25% from 2016–2017

68% OFFERED AT LEAST TWO COMPONENTS
Inclusive Sports, Youth Leadership, & Whole School Engagement
56% offered all three

PARTICIPATING STUDENTS

- 242,000 PARTICIPANTS
- 8.3M UNIFIED CHAMPION SCHOOLS EXPERIENCES

Unified Sports in schools, including inclusive Young Athletes Program, Unified Sports competitive, Unified Sports player development, and Unified Sports recreation, have resulted in:

- 111,192 ATHLETE EXPERIENCES
- 159,814 PARTNER EXPERIENCES
- 142,000 YOUTH LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

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$120M 2008–2018

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