Special Olympics
Papua New Guinea

PAPUA NEW GUINEA FACT SHEET

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MISSION:

To provide year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with an intellectual disability, giving them continuing opportunities to develop physical fitness, demonstrate courage, experience joy and participate in the sharing of gifts, skills and friendship with their families, other Special Olympics athletes and the community.

HISTORY:

Founded in 2012

PARTICIPATION (PER THE 2025 CENSUS):

Registered Athletes/Unified Partners:	1,398
Coaches:	72
Competitions in 2025:	4

SPORTS (PER THE 2025 CENSUS):

Athletics	Badminton	Bocce
Football (Soccer)		

OTHER DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES:

- Athlete Leadership
- Healthy Athletes
- Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools®
- Special Olympics Unified Sports®
- Young Athletes

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS:

- 2023 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Berlin, Germany
- 2019 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games, Los Angeles, USA
- 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games, PyeongChang, South Korea

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