

The Economic Benefits of **AKC[®] Dog Events**



Potential local economic impact of AKC Dog events is MORE THAN \$2.15 Million



Participants spend an average of \$982 per event in communities hosting AKC dog events.



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Local Spending Per Participants

Surveys demonstrate that exhibitors at AKC conformation dog shows spend an average of **\$982 per show weekend.** This means spending by AKC dog show exhibitors for a show weekend could inject more than **\$2.15 million* into the local economy.** Most participants travel more than 100 miles to get to AKC events and spend at least two to three nights in the community.

The AKC sanctions more than **22,000 events across the country every year**, including dog shows, agility and obedience trials, performance events, and much more.





In addition to participant spending, communities benefit from spending by the event-giving club, which may include:

- Facility Rental, Fees, Permits
- Catering
- Rental Equipment, Tents, Chairs, Tables
- Flowers
- On-site Security, EMT, Veterinarian
- Trophies
- Local Vendors and Concessions
- Advertising

About the Study

Our goal was to identify spending in local communities by dog lovers who attend, participate in, and host American Kennel Club events. A survey was distributed in 2021 to participants in conformation shows held throughout the US. *The official tourism association for Orlando, FL, estimated the 2019 AKC National Championship Dog Show generated \$64 million in economic impact.