



AKC IMPACT IN CONNECTICUT

The American Kennel Club (AKC) is a not-for-profit organization established in 1884 to promote the study, breeding, exhibiting, and advancement of purebred dogs. Together with our clubs and affiliates, AKC works to advance the health and wellbeing of all dogs, protect the rights of dog owners, and promote responsible dog ownership. We represent more than 5,000 dog clubs nationally, including **56 clubs in the state of Connecticut**.

The AKC sanctions over 22,000 dog events each year, which generate significant economic benefits to local communities in addition to the millions of dollars AKC dog owners in Connecticut spend annually on their dogs.

AKC DOG EVENTS IN CT

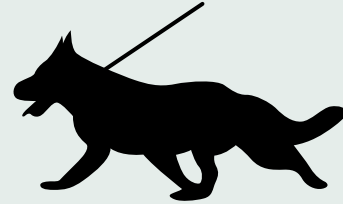
(2022)

328 EVENTS

37,000 PARTICIPANTS



An increase of 19% in dog events and 27% in dog participation from 2021, respectively.



\$2.15 million
ECONOMIC BENEFIT OF
DOG SHOW WEEKEND

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**. And because AKC dog shows are an educational and family-friendly event, large spectator gates can generate additional revenues for cities and towns statewide.

AKC REUNITE ADOPT A K-9 COP GRANTS

AKC Reunite® and AKC Clubs work together to fund the purchase of law enforcement K-9s for police departments around the United States.

CONNECTICUT POLICE AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED GRANTS



NEWTOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT
ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE SERVICES
MONROE POLICE DEPARTMENT
WESTPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT
REDDING POLICE DEPARTMENT
MIDDLETOWN POLICE DEPARTMENT

FAIRFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT
WILTON POLICE DEPARTMENT
STRATFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT
PORTLAND POLICE K-9 UNIT
WALLINGFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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