



2022

Year in Review

\$21 MILLION ESTIMATED
ECONOMIC IMPACT

74 EVENTS HOSTED
& SUPPORTED

166 EVENT DAYS
COVERED

NEW ORGANIZATIONAL RECORDS

505 events

More than 550,000 people have either participated in or attended ESC-hosted events since being established in 2013.

Celebrating its 10th year, the Erie Sports Commission (ESC) established new organizational standards in 2022, surpassing the \$20 million mark in estimated economic impact for the first time and hosting/supporting more events than ever before.

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

2022 Keystone State Wrestling Championships

Erie Insurance Arena provided a championship atmosphere for nearly 2,000 boys and girls wrestlers as they sought out a state title. The event was recognized as a Champion of Economic Impact by Sports Destination Management after generating **\$3.3 million in estimated economic impact**, a new high for a single event weekend hosted by the ESC, and more than 4,500 hotel room nights.

2022 Sarah Backstrom Memorial Girls Hockey Tournament

One of the longest-running all-girls youth hockey tournaments in the U.S. and Canada, the Backstrom has been restored to its former size by Lake Effect Hockey. The 2022 edition saw more than 1,100 athletes compete over four days, generating more than \$2.4 million in estimated economic impact and also earning recognition as a Champion of Economic Impact in Sports Tourism.

The Great Race

More than 200 vintage and antique cars rolled into Perry Square as Erie served as an overnight stop for the 2022 edition of The Great Race. Thousands of visitors were able to get up close (and inside) the cars as they lined State Street.

The Strongman Corporation National Championships

More than 200 athletes representing 37 states traveled to Erie in pursuit of a national championship. Held at the Bayfront Convention Center and streamed online more than 20,000 times, the event featured six disciplines over two days.

**THE ESC SURPASSED THE 500-MARK FOR
EVENTS HOSTED/SUPPORTED IN THE 10-YEAR
HISTORY OF THE ORGANIZATION.**

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