



## Disc Golf and PDGA Demographics



These indicators which highlight the growth of disc golf are taken from the PDGA database, the on-line Course Directory at [www.pdga.com](http://www.pdga.com), and the 1998 PDGA membership survey.

### Disc Golf Players:

Persons who have played disc golf: 7-10 million  
 Regular players: ~500000  
 PDGA members (since 1976): 24100

### Current PDGA Members:

1996	3904	2001	7032
1998	5017	2002	7638
2000	6230	2003	8304

Rate of Membership growth: 8-12% p.a.

Division: Pro 27% Amateur 73%

Gender: Male 93% Female 7%

### PDGA Tour:

Year	Events	Entrants	Pro Purse
1996	235	18900	\$368,800
1997	267	22500	\$458,100
1998	275	24300	\$556,100
1999	334	28300	\$693,300
2000	362	29200	\$808,900
2001	391	31600	\$948,200
2002	431	34800	\$1,084,500
2003	500	39400	\$1,160,000

Rate of Tour growth: 12-15% p.a.

### PDGA World Championships:

Year	Pros	Amateurs	Pro Purse
1996	308	174	\$38,100
1997	342	265	\$43,100
1998	362	279	\$45,000
1999	371	325	\$50,000
2000	410	415	\$92,640
2001	357	428	\$64,000
2002	225	279	\$50,535
2003	336	375	\$75,000

### 1998 PDGA Member Survey - Selected Results:

<u>Age:</u>		<u>Household Income (US\$):</u>	
Under 12	1%	0-10000	2%
13-20	2%	10-20 000	7%
21-30	20%	20-30 000	17%
31-40	52%	30-40 000	15%
41-50	22%	40-50 000	15%
Over 50	3%	50-100 000	36%
		> \$100 000	8%

### Disc Golf Courses worldwide:

1975	1	1998	850
1980	60	2000	1145
1985	250	2001	1255
1990	350	2002	1374
1995	560	2003	1512

Rate of Course growth: 10-12% p.a.

### Courses by Country (2003):

USA	1263
Sweden	61
Rest of Europe	84
Canada	48
Japan	35
Australia / New Zealand	19
Latin America	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>1512</b>

### Leading US States (2003):

State	Courses	Members	Events
Texas	104	928	52
California	82	886	45
Iowa	81	241	16
Minnesota	74	205	19
Michigan	59	470	34
Illinois	56	289	13
North Carolina	52	353	27
Colorado	50	270	14
Wisconsin	50	272	17
Ohio	39	260	12
Florida	34	445	22

### United States Championships:

Year	Open Field	Purse	US Women
1999	68	\$10,000	21
2000	82	\$19,955	30
2001	123	\$56,025	30
2002	150	\$56,800	44
2003	163	\$64,130	45