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CoachLearn project – Sport coaching workforce data collection across five countries

	Finland	Germany	Hungary	The Netherlands	The United Kingdom
Overall population	5,471,753	80,716,000	9,877,365	16,912,640	64,100,000
Number of participants receiving coaching					
Children	300,000	NI	NI	1,381,482	3,985,408
Adults	438,953	NI	NI	2,978,270	3,131,392
Total	738,953	NI	NI	4,359,752	7,116,800
<i>% of population receiving coaching</i>	14	12	NI	26	11
Number of active coaches	85,000	1,000,000	NI	600,000	1,300,000
<i>Ratio of participants receiving coaching to active coaches</i>	9	NI	NI	7	5
Number of active coaches who have a nationally recognised coaching qualification	NI	572,031	NI	NI	910,000

Notes:

1. The data were collected from : the Finnish Olympic Committee (Finland), the Deutsche Olympische Sportbund (DOSB), the Coaches Academy Cologne of the German Olympic Sports Confederation or *Trainerakademie* (both Germany), the Hungarian Coaching Association (Hungary), the Netherlands Olympic Committee & Sport Federation or *NOS*NSF* (the Netherlands), and Sports Coach UK (UK) – March 2015 and April 2016.
2. Data fields were established for a number of areas not reported due to lack of data across the countries. For example, qualification level, and age, gender, and volunteer/paid status of qualified coaches (this data is available for Finland and the UK).
3. The data in the table was compiled using a ‘patchwork’ of sources (which are available on request). There were no common measures or methodologies between countries. Often data on coaching was estimated on the basis of other survey types, for example, club surveys.

Some brief analysis:

1. Based on the data provided (from 4 countries only) it might be inferred that about 12% of a country's population receives regular sport coaching (the Netherlands is seen as an outlier example).
2. For every seven participants receiving coaching there is typically one coach (based on data from Finland, the Netherlands, and the UK). About two-thirds of these coaches are qualified.
3. Thus across the European Union the following data can be inferred: based on a population of 508 million, 56 million individuals are receiving coaching, from about 8 million sports coaches (or individuals who call themselves sport coaches), and about 5 million coaches are qualified.

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