



VOLLEYBALL ASIA MARKET ANALYSIS 2023

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This report focuses on the main metrics in the state of volleyball sponsorship in Asia. It covers the period following the COVID-19 pandemic, which countries lead the field - and which demonstrate the fastest growth - and it looks at how volleyball compares to other platforms. It contains detailed information on top-spending brands as well as on sponsorship categories and looks at the potential impact of the upcoming Volleyball Nations League.

Individual country profiles of volleyball sponsorship can be found in appendices I-IV

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Four countries dominate the Asian sponsorship market for volleyball, accounting for US\$ 23.3 million, or 95.8%, of all volleyball sponsorship sales in 2022.

Country	Thailand	India	Japan	China	TOTAL
% of market	31.3	27.3	24.1	13.1	95.8

COVID-19 pandemic & the recovery

Throughout Asia, post-pandemic sponsorship sales have shown promising recovery but, with the exception of Thailand, are yet to achieve 2019 levels. A 24% increase 2020 on 2019 (from US\$ 33.8 million in 2019 to US\$ 41.8 million in 2020) came just as the pandemic effect started to bite, reflecting contracts already in hand – and perhaps a lack of appreciation of how far-reaching the pandemic impact would be. The low point, -57% year-on-year, was reached in 2021.



Thailand, Asia's biggest growth market across almost all metrics, bucked the trend in 2022 as the only market to exhibit strong growth – with a massive +76% on pre-pandemic 2019. Women's volleyball, in particular, has gained immense popularity in Thailand due to the success of the Women's National Team and we've seen new brands, such as Eurocake, Daikin, Mikassa and CP Meiji coming on board since 2020, adding to the contribution of Asia's number two volleyball sponsor, Est Cola, title sponsor of the Thai Volleyball League since 2018.

(US\$ million)							
	2019	2022					
Thailand	4.2	7.3	+76%				
India	9.5	5.5	-42%				
Japan	6.3	5.6	-11%				
China	11.7	3.7	-69%				

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