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Kingston Ranks #3 Sports City in Ontario

[Kingston, Ontario] This announcement marks the second launch of the Global Sports Impact (GSI) Canada Index. Kingston was announced a Top Sports City 2019 at the Canadian Sport Tourism Alliance (CSTA) Sport Event Congress (SEC) in Ottawa.

Kingston ranked #12 in Canada and number #3 in Ontario on the 2019 Global Sport Impact Index (overall).

Ontario's Top 3 Sports Cities 2019 include: Toronto (11,600 points), Ottawa (5,560 points) and Kingston (5,514 points). Points are awarded to cities based on national championships and international events hosted.

"We are delighted to maintain our ranking as a top city in Canada for hosting major sport events", says Megan Knott, Executive Director of Tourism Kingston. "We will continue to attract and host major events to our city with a focus on pinnacle events such as the 2020 Tim Hortons Brier".

The recent awarding of the 2020 Tim Hortons Brier attributed to Kingston's ranking. Other national championships included in the assessment were 2019 Football Canada Cup, 2020 USPORTS Women's Rugby Championships, and 2019-20 Canadian Pickleball Championships. International events such as 2020 World Broomball Championships, and two 2019 World Sailing Championships were also captured in this year's ranking.

In 2018, Kingston ranked #10 in Canada and #2 based on population size. Last year, 51 cities participated in the GSI Index compared to 119 cities in 2019.

For more details, please visit <https://canadiansporttourism.com/news/montreal-repeats-gsi-canada-index-sport-city-2019.html>

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About Tourism Kingston

Kingston's Destination Marketing Organization exists to increase the economic impact of tourism through destination marketing and development. We support our stakeholders in developing programs that attract visitors to the city and encourage business growth and employment.

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