## Report to the Alachua County Tourist Development Council Gainesville Sports Organizing Committee dba Gainesville Sports Commission (For period September 1 - 30, 2024) October 2024

## **AVP Grass Nationals**

(September 27 - 29, 2024)

The Association of Volleyball Players (AVP) 2024 Grass Nationals was hosted at the Easton-Newberry Sports Complex on Friday, September 27 through Sunday, September 29, 2024. This is the first time an AVP Grass Nationals has been hosted in Alachua County. The tournament was three exciting days bringing together players from all over the country showcasing their talent. Athletes competed in various divisions, from recreational to highly competitive open division. The competition was hosted on 42 courts and 2 stadium courts that were made for the final games. There were 1,131 participants competing with 296 participants from out-of-state. The 16 different states represented during Nationals were Alabama, Delaware, Georgia, Massachusetts, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Texas, Connecticut, Indiana, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Kentucky, and Iowa. See City Data below for participants. During the three-day tournament the visiting participants booked 673 room nights and created an estimated \$100,950 in direct local hotel impact.

## City Data

Row Labels	Sum of Number of Adults in Travel Party
AL	11
Birmingham	2
Mobile	3
Sheffield, AL	6
DE	0
Dover	0
FL	1017
Altamonte Springs	6
Anthony	2
Apopka	6
Astatula	1
Babson Park	5
Bradenton	1
Brandon	2
Cape Coral	1
casselberry	1
Clermont	1

Cocoa	8
Coconut Creek	1
Crawfordville	2
Fort Lauderdale	1
Gainesville	120
Groveland	6
Indialantic	3
Jacksonville	128
Jacksonville Beach	4
Keystone Heights	1
Kissimmee	6
Lake Butler	1
Lake Helen	9
Lake Mart	4
Lake mary	3
Longwood / Altamonte Springs	3
Melbourne	14
Melrose	4
Merritt island	18
Miami	11
Mount Dora	2
Naples	4

New Smyrna Beach	4
newberry	1
Niceville	1
North Port	2
Ocala	65
Ocoee	18
Orlando	180
Oviedo	5
Palatka	2
Palm Bay	2
Palm City	2
Palm harbor	3
Panama City Beach	28
Parrish	2
Poinciana	1
Ponce Inlet	1
Port St Lucie	6
Reddick	2
Riverview	4
Rockledge	8
Royal Palm Beach	1
Sanford	3
Sarasota	6
Satellite Beach	4
Sebastian	2
Seminole	3
South Daytona	3
St. Augustine	6
St. Cloud	2
St. Petersburg	64
Tallahassee	130
Tampa	24
Tavares	2
Venice FL	2
Vero Beach	4
West Melbourne	4
West Palm Beach, FL	2
Wildwood	10
Winter garden	6
Winter Park	11
Winter Springs	2
Palm Bay	10
GA	83
Atlanta	12
Augusta	4
Buford	2
Griffin	36

Morrow	3
Pooler	3
Richmond Hill	4
Savannah	14
Sugar Hill	3
Waleska	2
MA	11
Boston	11
NC	13
Charlotte	7
Durham	2
Raleigh	4
SC	124
Aiken	6
Augusta	6
Charleston	
Charleston	84 17
Moncks Corner	3
Myrtle Beach	3
Summerville	5
TN	22
Knoxville	17
Nashville	5
VA	4
Chesapeake	4
TX	6
Austin	6
СТ	2
Greenwich	2
IN	3
Indianapolis	3
MN	2
Jacksonville	2
NJ	8
Kearny	3
Manahawkn	2
Newark	3
NY	1
Long Beach	1
KY	3
Louisville	2
Salvisa	1
MA	2
Springfield	2
IA	1
West Des Moines	1