

SPORTS

SPORT IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF OUR LIVES, BECAUSE IT ALLOWS US TO KEEP OUR BODY IN SHAPE AND HEALS. MOREOVER, SPORT CAN HELP TO GIVE YOU A REST – FOR EXAMPLE, MOST MEN WOULD NOT REFUSE TO WATCH A FOOTBALL MATCH WITH FRIENDS. OFTEN, THE PERFORMANCES OF PROFESSIONAL ATHLETES INSPIRE US TO PRACTICE THIS OR THAT SPORT. HOW DID THE PREFERENCES OF THE BRITISH IN SPORTS CHANGE? NOW WE'LL FIND OUT.

LET'S TURN TO THE BAR CHART, WHICH REFLECTS THE 3 MOST POPULAR SPORTS IN 2013 AND 2015 AMONG PEOPLE OVER 14 YEARS OLD ACCORDING TO THE MARKET STREET SPORTS COMPLEX. OF COURSE, THE INFORMATION FOR THE CHART WAS COMPILED BY ONLY ONE SPECIFIC SOURCE, BUT IT ALSO HAS THE RIGHT TO EXIST AND THE RIGHT TO BE ANALYZED.

COMPARING THE STATISTICS FROM THE BAR CHART, WE CAN SEE THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO SUDDEN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THESE SPORTS (AN INCREASE OF ONLY 3 PERCENT), BUT WE CAN DESCRIBE THAT PEOPLE'S PREFERENCES IN SPORTS HAVE NOTICEABLY CHANGED FOR TWO YEARS.

ACTUALLY, THERE HAS BEEN AN OBVIOUS CHANGE IN PEOPLE, WHO HAVE STARTED TO PLAY HANDBALL. THE NUMBER OF HANDBALL PLAYERS HAS DOUBLED! THIS GROWTH WAS DUE TO THE NUMEROUS VICTORIES OF BRITISH TEAMS BETWEEN 2013 AND 2015. SIGNIFICANTLY FEWER PEOPLE HAVE BECOME INVOLVED IN SNOWBOARDING, PROBABLY DUE TO THE HIGH COST OF THIS SPORT: EQUIPMENT AND TRIPS TO OTHER COUNTRIES CAN HIT YOUR POCKET VERY HARD. BY THE WAY, THERE HAS BEEN AN INSIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE, WHO DO CYCLING: 4 PERCENT MORE PEOPLE STARTED DOING IT.

IT IS WORTH REMEMBERING THAT IN THE CHART WE ARE TALKING ABOUT ONLY THREE SPORTS. THE REST OF THE BRITISH CHOOSE SOMETHING ELSE, BUT THE MAIN THING IS THAT THEY LIKE IT. PERSONALLY, I DO SNORKELING AND I REALLY LOVE IT! I RECOMMEND EVERYONE TO TRY IT.

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